



# Compartment Review Presentation

Escanaba Forest Management Unit

Compartment 33042

Entry Year 2017

Acreage: 2,500

County Menominee

Management Area: Green Bay Lake Plain

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**Revision Date:** 2015-07-10

**Stand Examiner:** Dustin Salter

**Legal Description:**

T36N R25W Sections 4, 5, 8, 9, 16, and 17

**Identified Planning Goals:**

This compartment is comprised of four main covertypes: aspen, northern hardwood, lowland conifer, and lowland hardwood. There are numerous aspen stands prescribed for cutting this entry period. The majority of these stands are mature and ready to be regenerated. There are a couple of stands that are slightly younger that have a significant amount of balsam fir and spruce in them. The Spruce Budworm is present throughout this compartment, including in these stands. The intent is to harvest these stands prior to mortality occurring and regenerating the aspen. A low quality/vigor aspen stand will be converted to red pine. There are five good to high quality northern hardwood stands that will be thinned as well. A number of mature lowland conifer stands will also be harvested. There is significant tamarack mortality throughout the compartment, so the intention is to salvage/harvest as much as we can before it all dies. It is also important to open these stands up for regeneration while the tamarack seed is still viable. The majority of the lowland ash/hardwood stands are prescribed for harvest. This intent is to harvest/regenerate these stands prior to the arrival of the Emerald Ash Borer. There are also a couple of red maple/pine stands that will be treated. A couple of these stands were shelterwood cut in the past and now the regeneration needs to be released, so the overstory needs to be removed. There is some Autumn Olive in the southeastern part of the compartment that needs to be removed/sprayed.

**Soil and topography:**

The primary soils in this compartment are Tawas-Deford, Lupton-Tawas, Deford mucky fine sand, Onaway fine sandy loam, and Rousseau fine sand. The upland soils range are mostly level with some steep ridges and knolls mixed in, and they are well drained. The lowland is level and is very poorly drained.

**Ownership Patterns, Development, and Land Use in and Around the Compartment:**

This compartment is on the northern end of a block of state land that is approximately 8 miles wide and 20 miles long, that extends into Delta County. This compartment is primarily blocked in on the east, north, and south with adjoining state land. The western edge of the compartment borders private property. There are a number of houses and camps along the western edge of the compartment. The primary uses of this area are hunting, camping, cross country skiing and ORV riding.

**Unique Natural Features:**

The Cedar River flows through the eastern edge of the compartment.

**Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:**

None Known

**Special Management Designations or Considerations:**

None

**Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:**

The Cedar River and Devil's Creek flow through this compartment.

**Wildlife Habitat Considerations:**

Currently this compartment is comprised of a large acreage of aspen and northern hardwoods, particularly in the south half. The north half of the compartment has more lowland conifer present. The management treatments this decade are to regenerate mature aspen stands which will benefit early successional wildlife species. Some lowland conifer stands will be cut due to the presence of spruce budworm and eastern larch beetle. In addition, upland mixed deciduous stands will be clearcut and will provide good early successional wildlife habitat. Game species including white-tailed deer, wild turkey, ruffed grouse, and woodcock will benefit from the creation of early successional habitat. The dense stands of cedar will be retained for wildlife cover. Forest stands along the Big Cedar River have been protected with a designation of "special conservation area". This designation will allow trees to grow larger, develop cavities for dens and nest sites, and provide woody debris on the forest floor - to the benefit of riparian wildlife species.

## **Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions**

Surface sediments consist of lacustrine sand and gravel and medium-textured glacial till. The glacial drift thickness varies between 10 and 50 feet. The Ordovician Trenton and Black River formations underlie the glacial drift, and the Trenton Formation is quarried for stone near Escanaba. State land in this area has not been leased previously. An overgrown gravel pit is located in Section 19 and there is potential on the upland drumlins. No economic oil and gas production has been found in the UP.

## **Vehicle Access:**

The primary access roads into and through this compartment are County Roads 366, 551, D-4, No 29, and Westman Dam. There are numerous two track roads that branch off of these county roads that provide additional access.

## **Survey Needs:**

Approximately 15 registered corners will need to be established.

## **Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:**

The Forest Island ORV Trail and the Cedar River Pathway run through the southeastern portion of the compartment - east of the Cedar River. The primary recreational uses of this area are hunting, camping, ORV riding, horseback riding, and cross country skiing.

## **Fire Protection:**

This compartment poses a low risk for any large scale fires. The dry upland areas are interspersed with lowland areas. The only significant threat would be, is if we do not harvest the majority of the spruce/fir prior to the Spruce Budworm causing a substantial amount of mortality. The main water sources would be Cedar River and Devil's Creek. Access in the spring could be an issues on some of the two track roads.

## **Additional Compartment Information:**

The following reports from the Inventory are attached:

- Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class**
- Cover Type by Harvest Method**
- Proposed Treatments – No Limiting Factors**
- Proposed Treatments – With Limiting Factors**
- Stand Details (Forested and Nonforested)**
- Dedicated and Proposed Special Conservation Areas**
- Site Condition Details**

The following information is displayed, where pertinent, on the attached compartment maps:

- Base feature information, stand boundaries, cover types, and numbers**
- Proposed treatments**
- Site condition boundaries**
- Details on the road access system**

Report 1 – Total Acres by Cover Type and Age Class

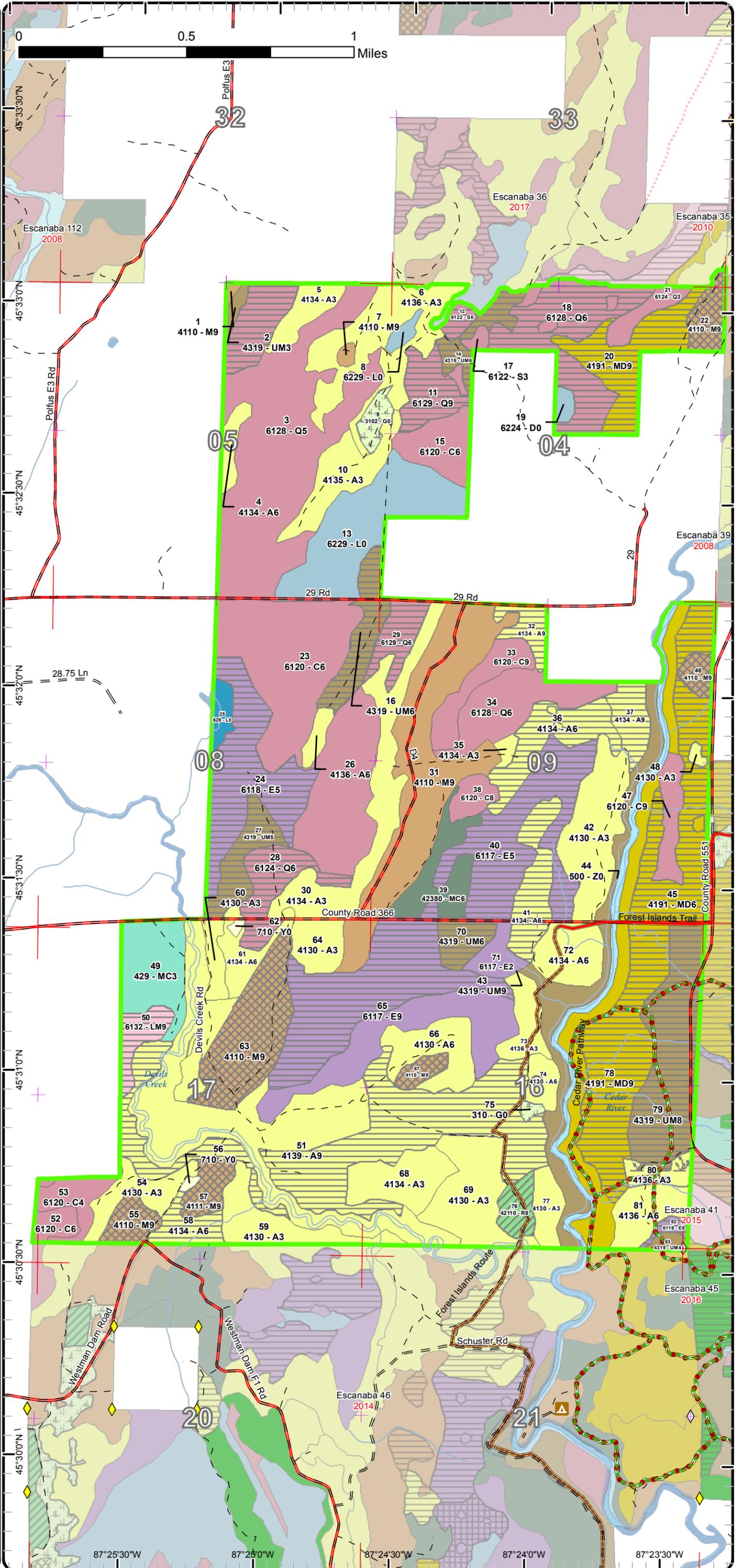
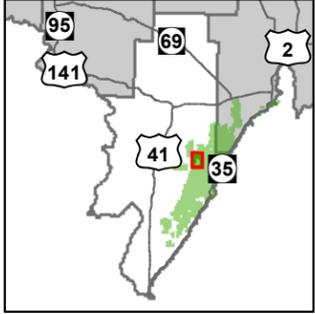


Age Class

	Non-Forest	0-9	10-19	20-29	30-39	40-49	50-59	60-69	70-79	80-89	90-99	100-109	110-119	120-129	130-139	140-149	150+	Uneven-Aged	Total
Aspen	0	0	44	6	0	0	309	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	359
Cedar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	9	0	0	0	0	28
Lowland Conifers	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	62	215	0	0	0	0	0	0	287
Mixed Upland Deciduous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40
Northern Hardwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	116	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	116
Upland Mixed Forest	0	0	0	0	0	44	0	0	0	0	0	46	0	0	0	0	0	0	90
<b>Total</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>309</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>920</b>

# Cover Type & Treatments

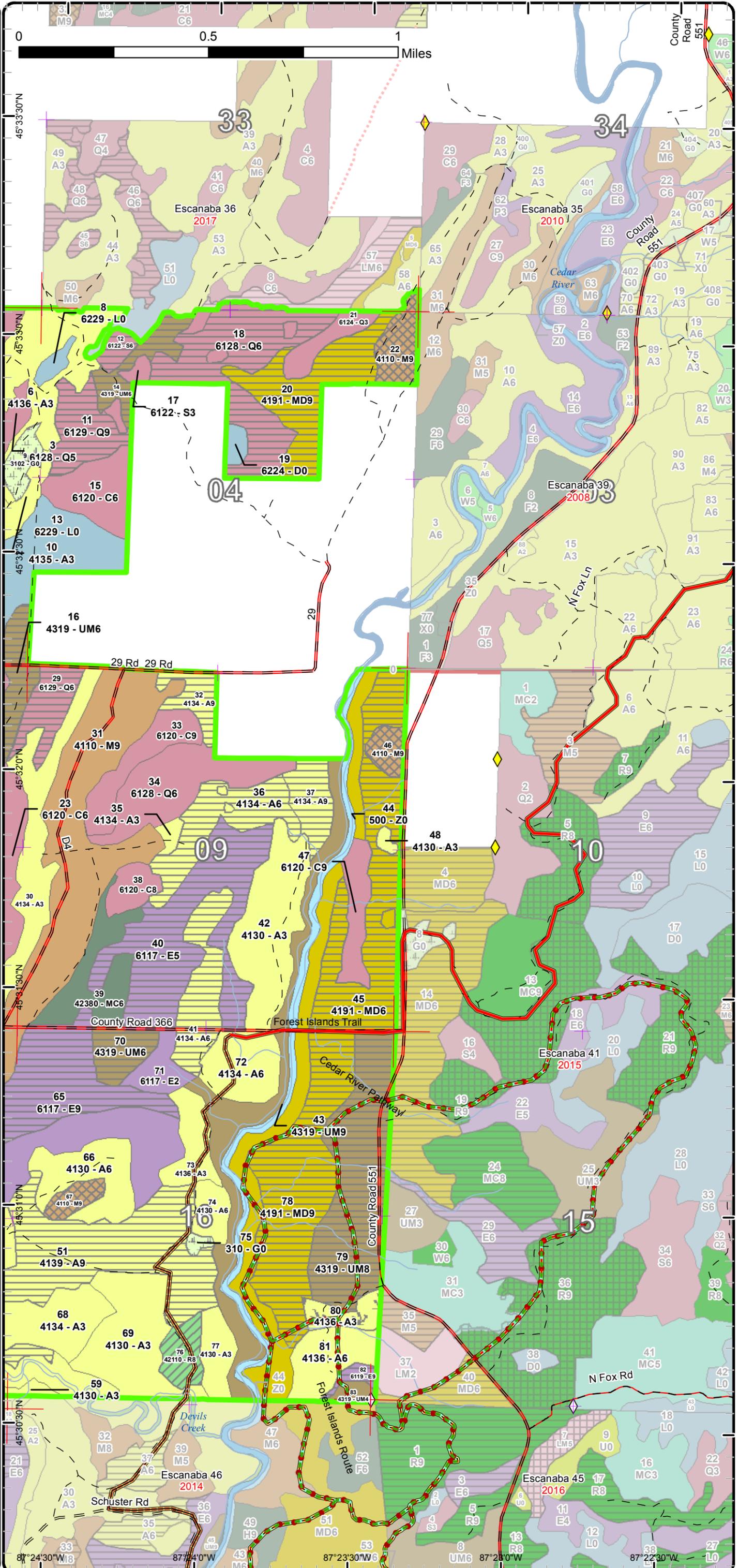
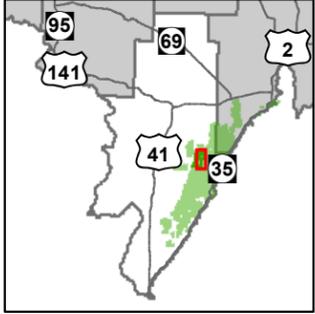
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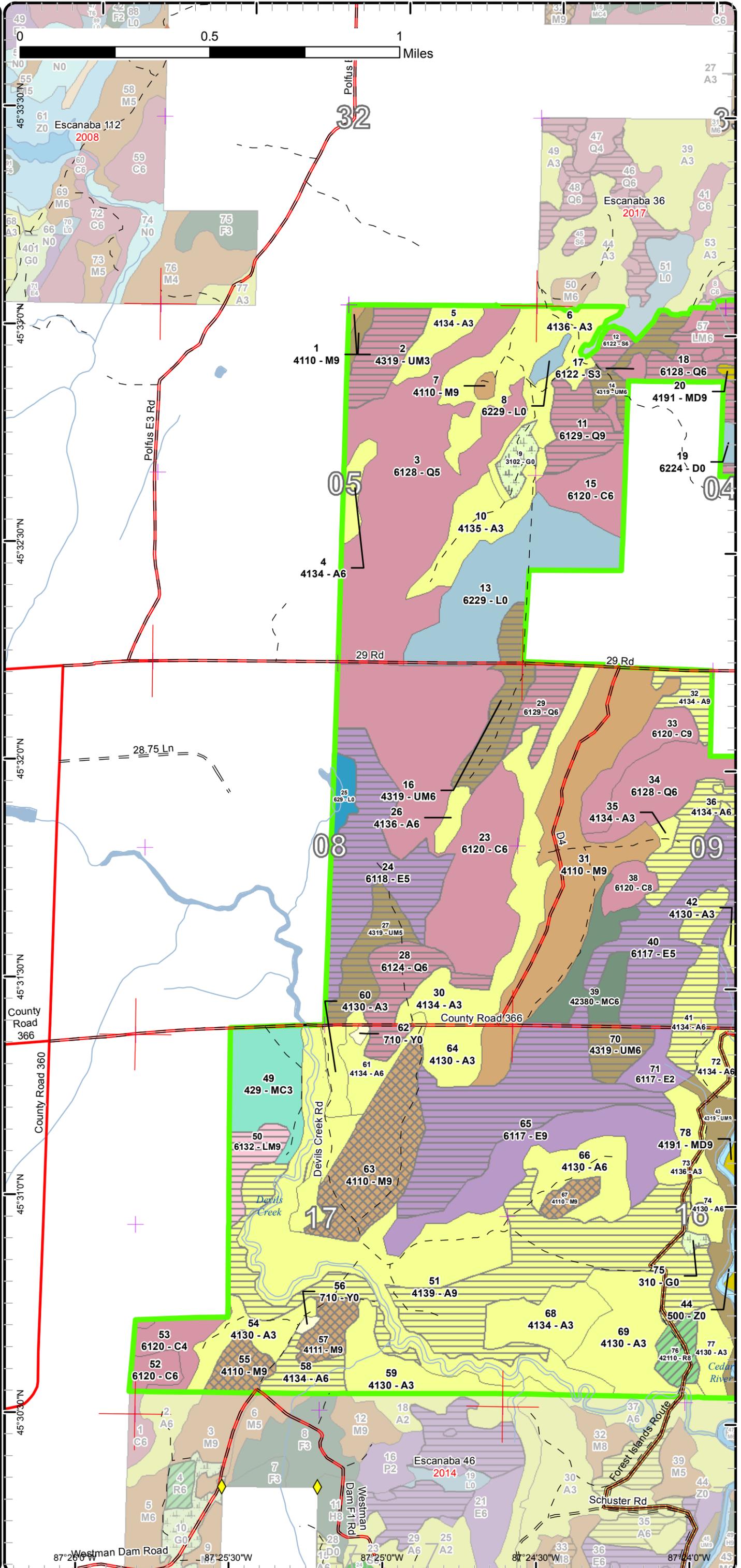
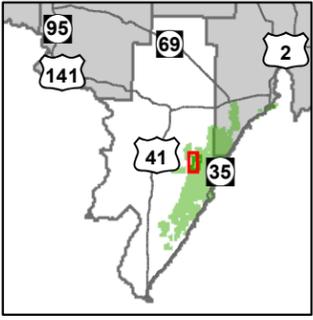
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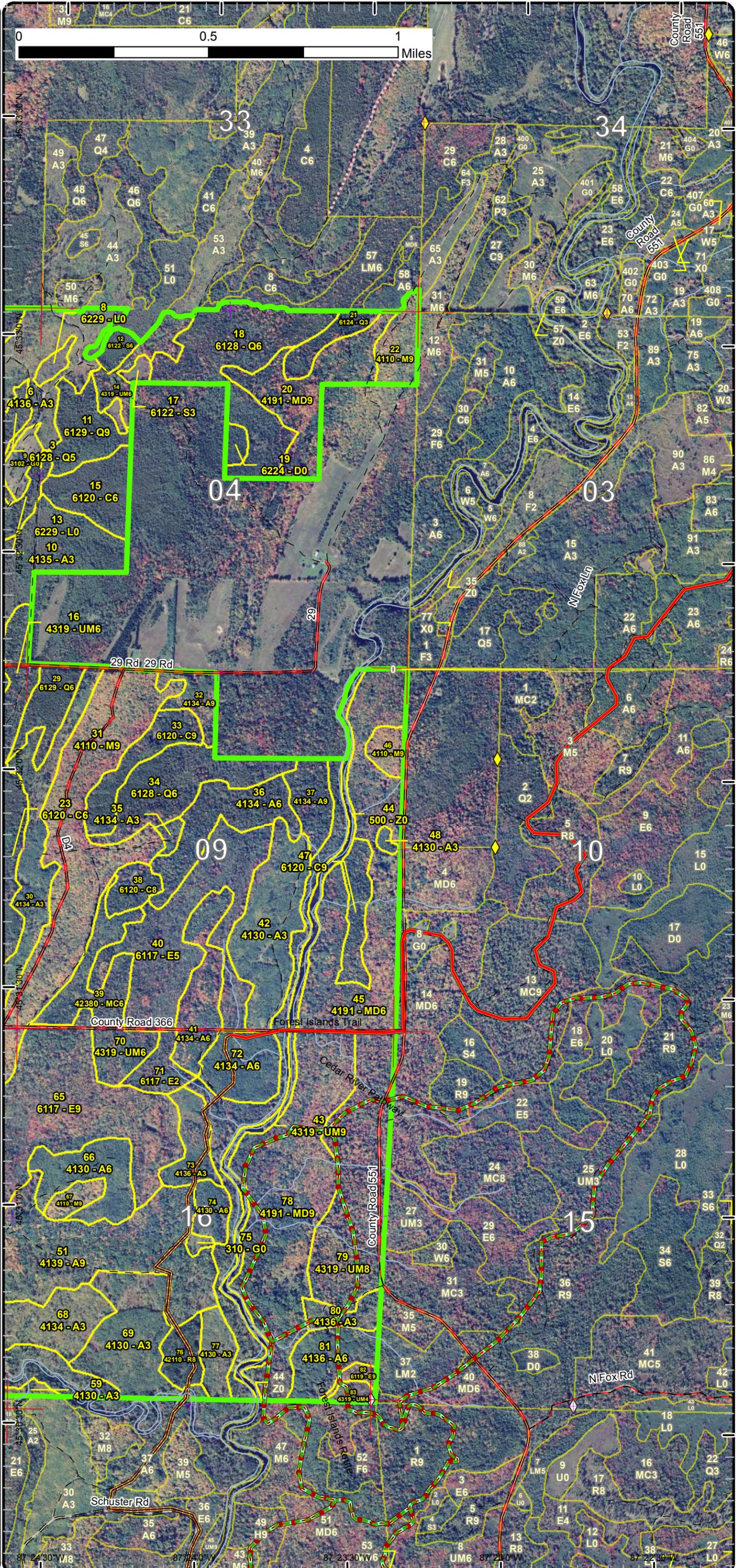
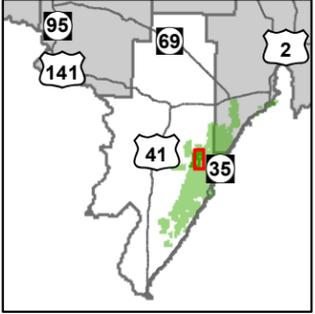
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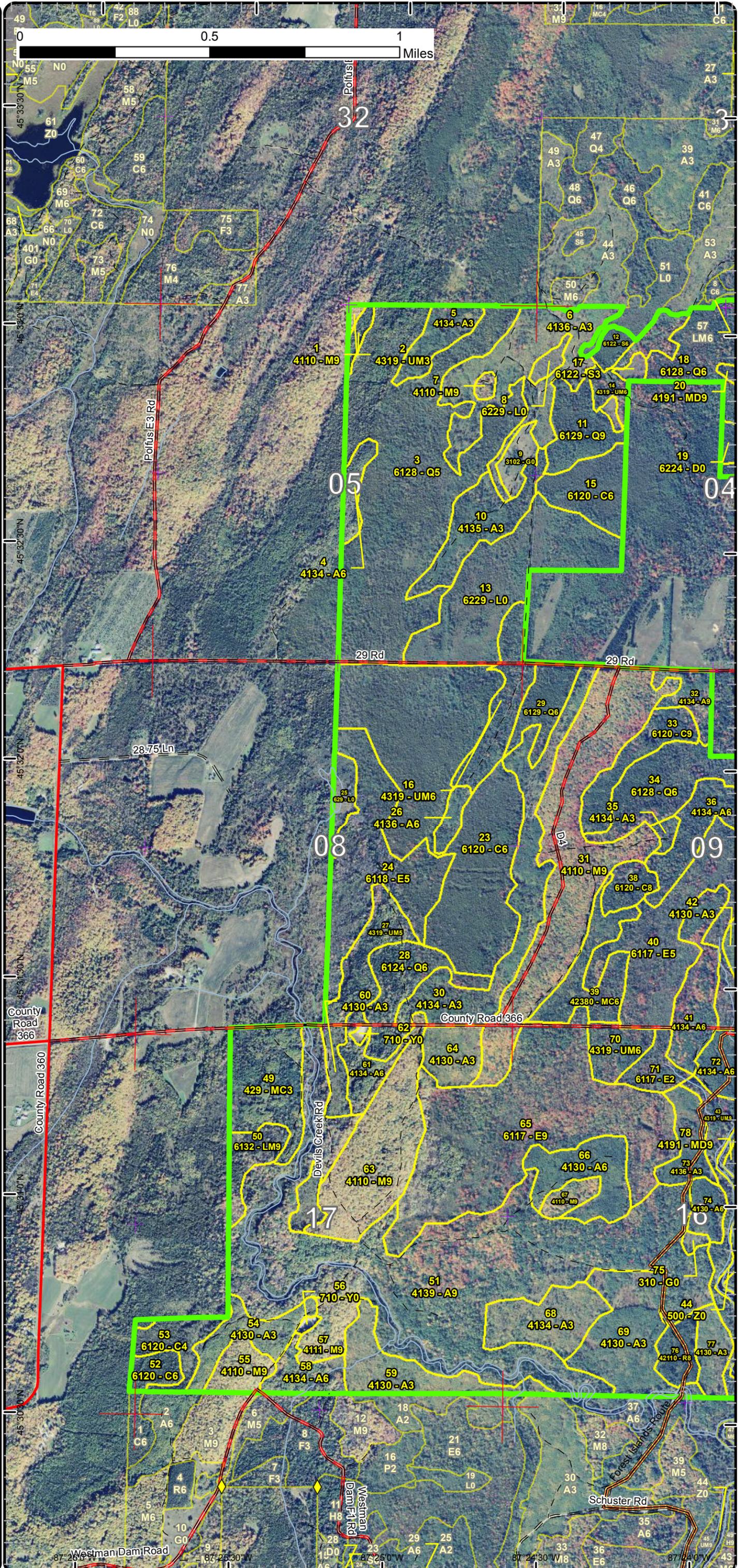
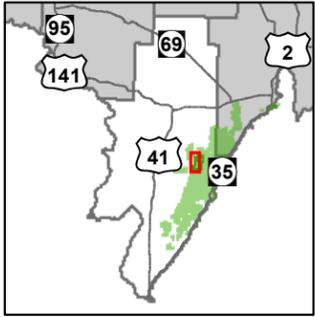
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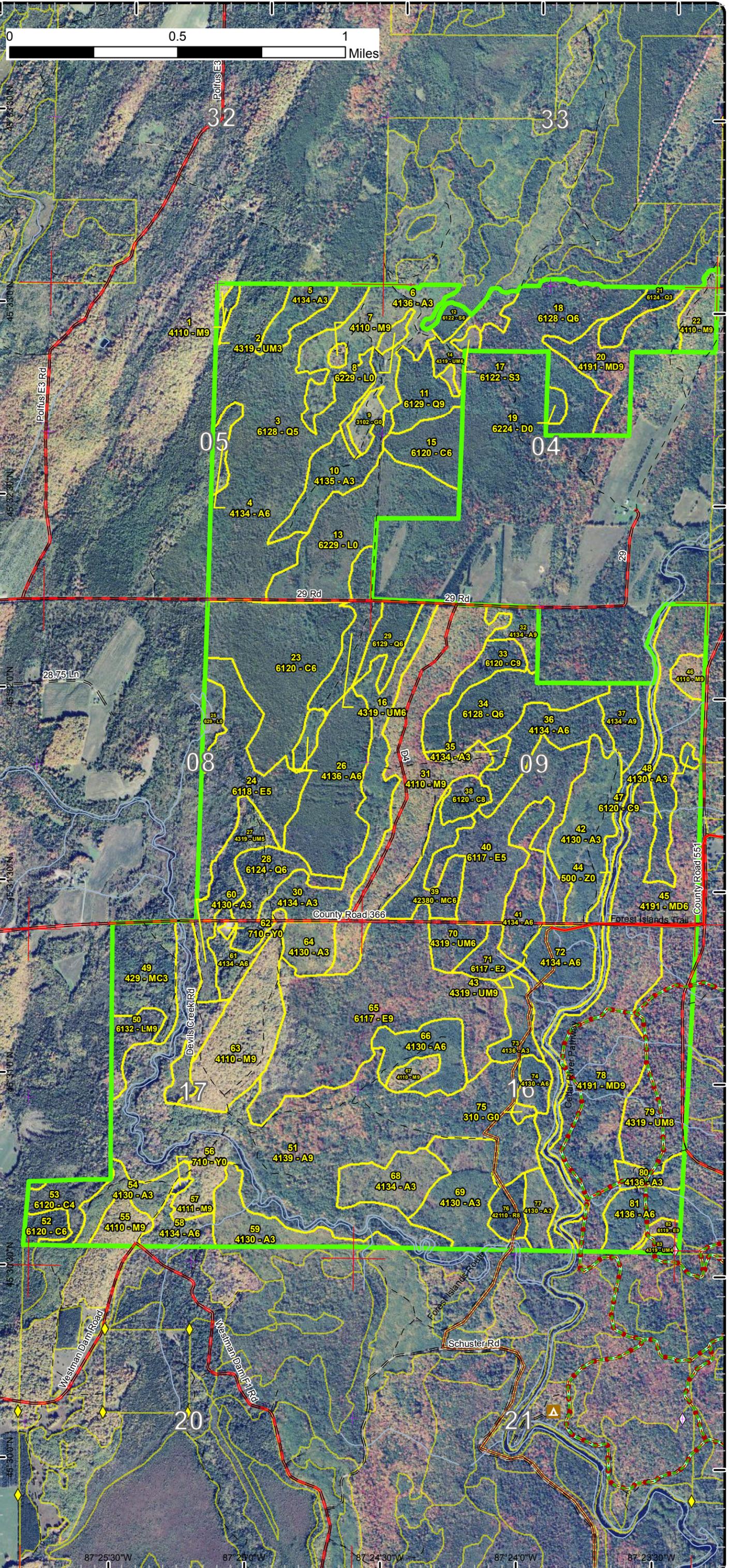
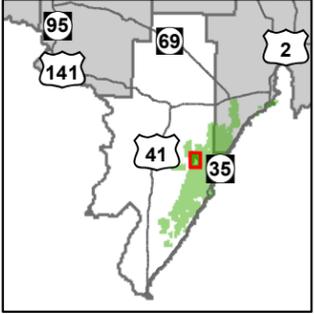
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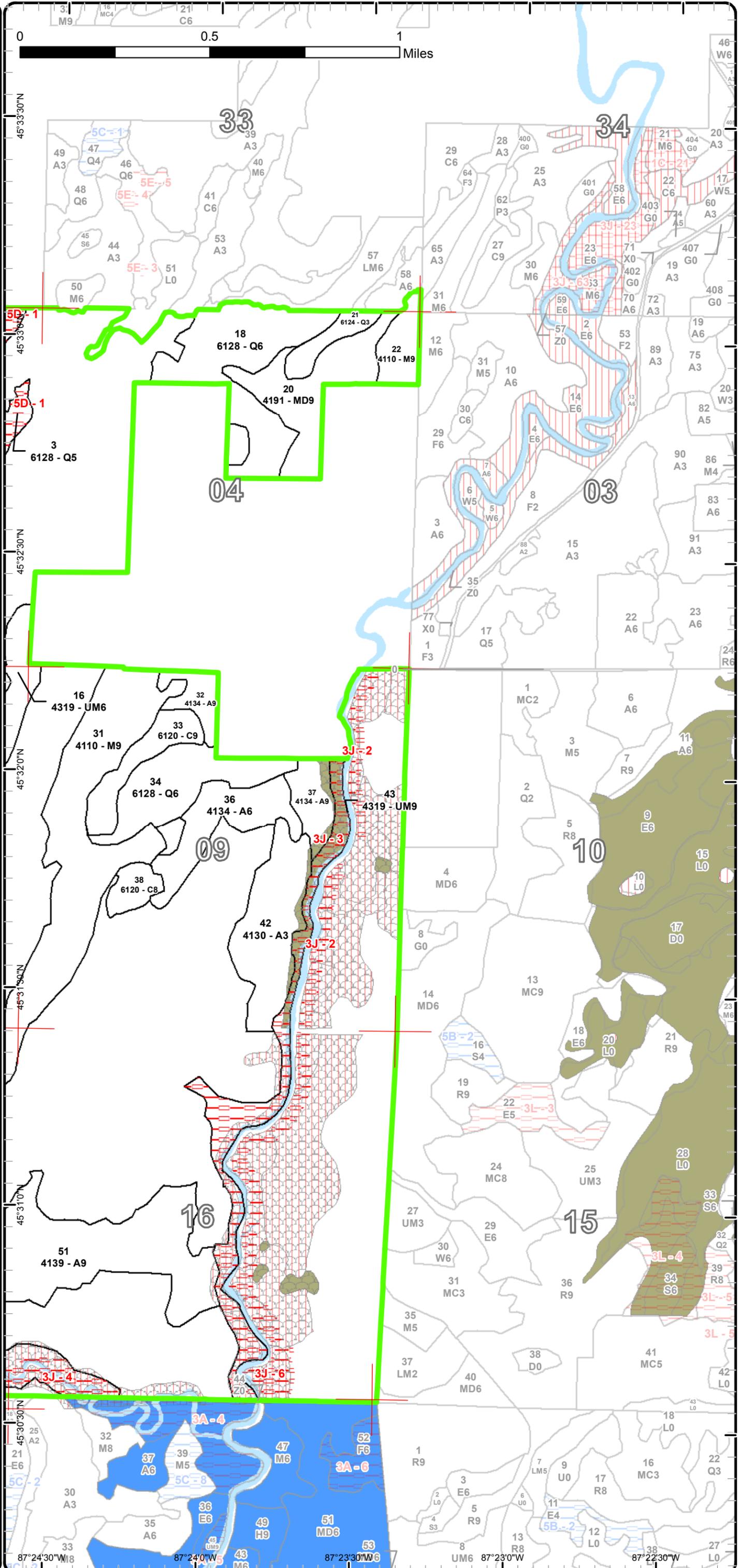
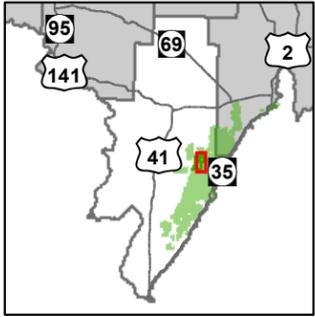
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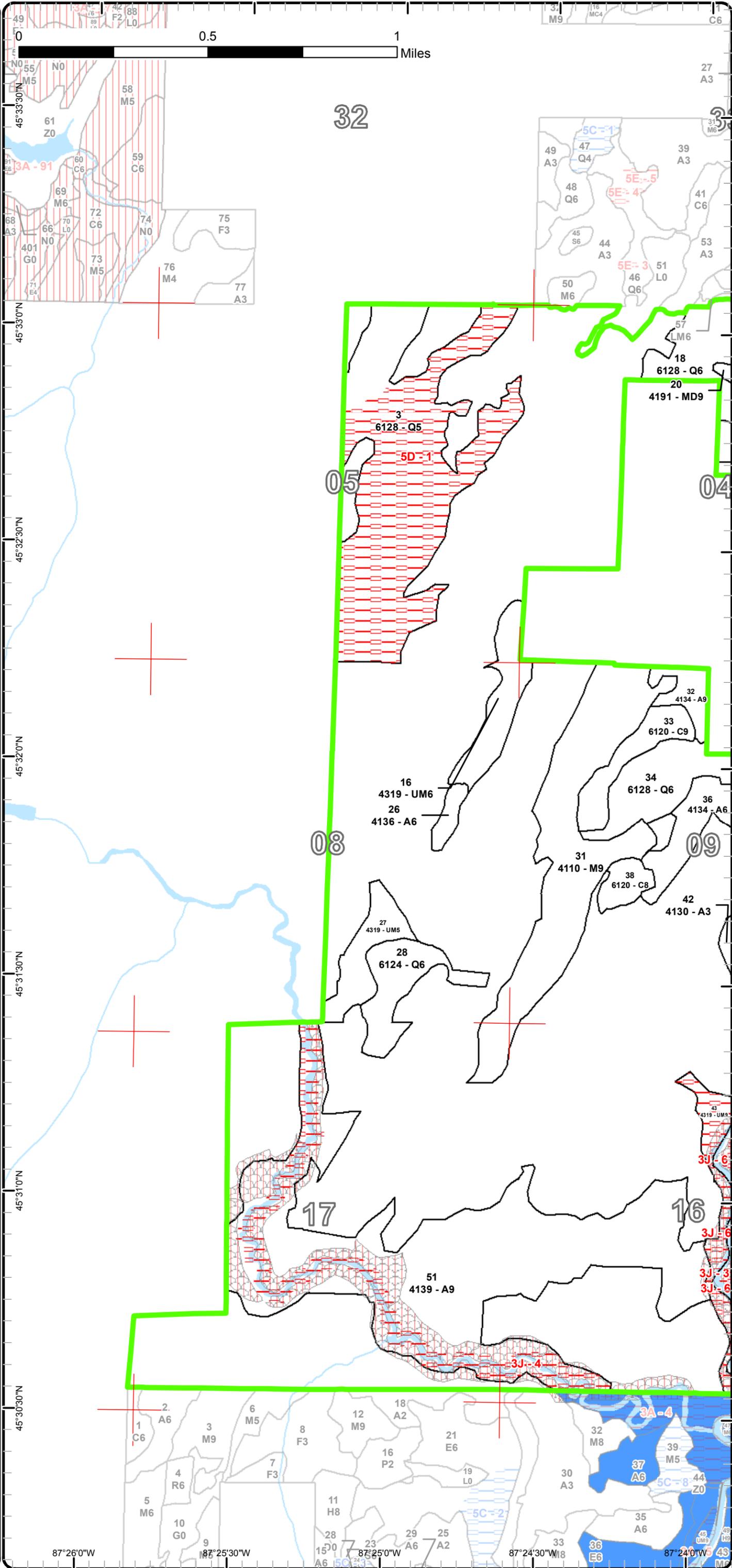
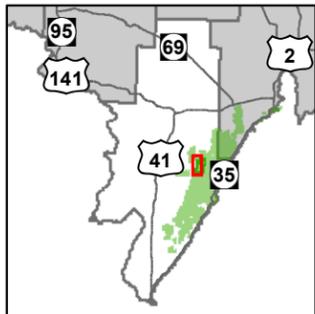
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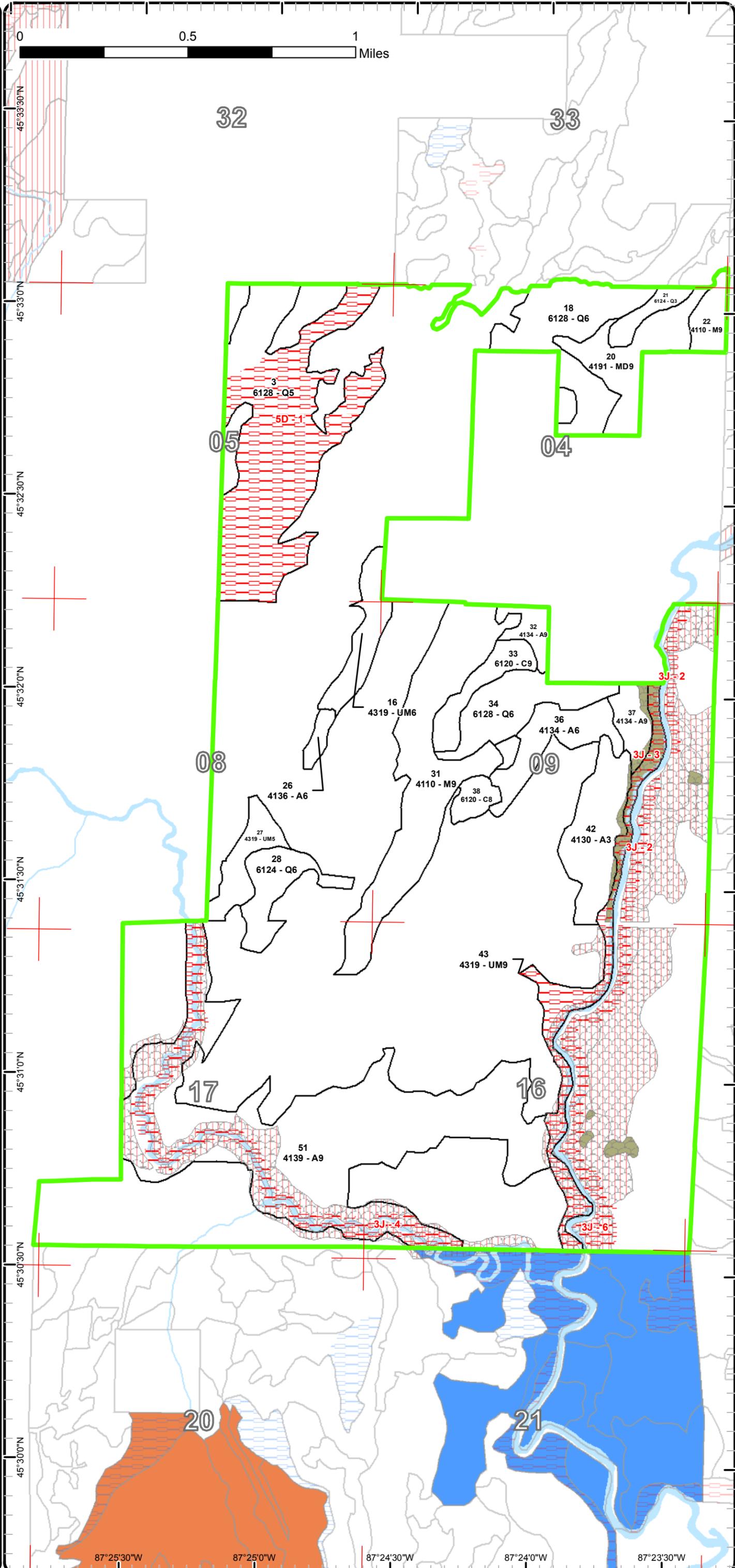
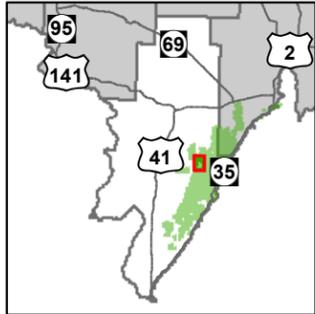
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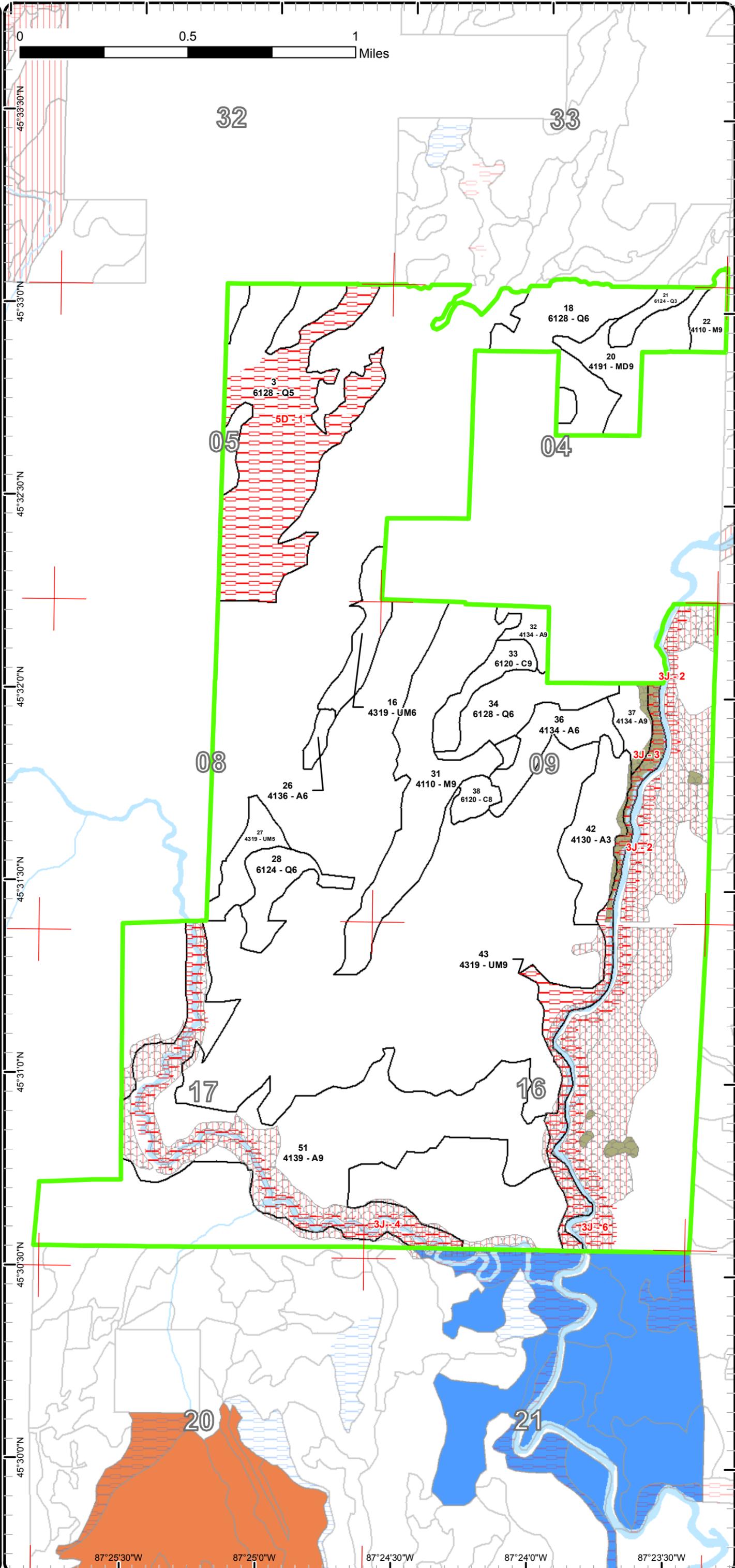
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Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Approval Status
3 33042003-Cut	21.5	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	Poletimber Medium	102	Unspecified	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	612 - Lowland Coniferous Forest	Even-Aged	Proposal

**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. The retention will be the portion of the stand not designated for cutting.

Specs:

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable Tamarack, spruce, ash, balm, and cedar.

Regen:

Other Overall very poor quality stand. The cedar is short and with low diameters. There are some pockets of good quality tamarack, but most of them have died recently due to the Eastern Larch Beetle. The area that is prescribed for harvest has some mortality already. Look at the other tamarack pockets when this sale is set up to see if any of the others have enough merchantable wood left. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

16 33042016-Cut	23.8	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Poletimber Well	40	51-80	Harvest	Clearcut	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. No retention is being left due to small stand size and presence of spruce budworm.

Specs:

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, balsam fir, and spruce.

Regen:

Other Decent quality aspen stand with a high percentage of balsam fir. There is a high percentage of the balsam fir that is infested with the spruce budworm, there is quite a bit that has already died. Harvest this stand now to salvage as much of the balsam fir as possible. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

18 33042018-Cut	53.6	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	Poletimber Well	103	Unspecified	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except mark to leave some spruce and cedar seed trees/clumps in the areas of the stand that do not have sphagnum moss. In addition, leave the dense patch of hemlock in the western part of the stand, the dense patch of cedar in the northeastern part of the stand, and the dense patch of cedar in the northwestern corner of the stand. These three areas are excluded from the treatment already.

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable Spruce, tamarack, balsam fir, cedar, ash, balm, and maple.

Regen:

Other This stand is very variable, it is made up by 6 to 8 different covertypes. They are all too small to separate out and all of them are mature and should be managed the same. Overall the stand is low, but there are a number of upland knobs/ridges. The Eastern Larch Beetle and the Spruce Budworm are present within this stand. There is some tamarack mortality already. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016



S t a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Approval Status
20	33042020-Cut	39.6	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Sawtimber Well	70	Unspec ified	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Even-Aged	Proposal

**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except retain the beech and leave enough retention areas to have 3% retention. There is a lowland pocket in the center of the stand that could be retained.  
Specs:

Next Step  
Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, maple, balsam fir, ash, and spruce.  
Regen:

Other Overall this is a good quality aspen, red maple, and balsam fir stand. There are a couple of lowland pockets within the stand. Old next step  
Comment: comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

22	33042022-Cut	13.6	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	90	111-140	Harvest	Single Tree Selection	411 - Northern Hardwood	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Thin stand down to 80 basal area, focusing on lowering the percentage of beech and ash in the stand.  
Specs:

Next Step  
Treatments:

Acceptable Sugar maple, basswood, white ash, and beech.  
Regen:

Other Good quality hardwood stand, that was last thinned in 1989 on contract 013-87-01. A large portion of this stand is on a steep ridge. This stand  
Comment: has a very dense layer of sedge throughout it. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

27	33042027-Cut	20.4	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Poletimber Medium	45	51-80	Harvest	Clearcut	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. No retention is being left due to poor quality aspen and the presence of the spruce budworm.  
Specs:

Next Step  
Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, maple, balsam fir, and spruce.  
Regen:

Other Stand is a mix of aspen and balsam fir. The aspen is poor quality and the balsam fir is infested with the Spruce Budworm. This stand needs to  
Comment: be harvested now to maximize aspen sprouting and to salvage as much balsam fir as possible. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

28	33042028-Cut	25.3	6124 - Lowland Spruce-Fir	Poletimber Well	93	Unspec ified	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	6122 - Black Spruce	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except mark some seed trees/clumps to retain. Retain some large white pine as part of the retention. A  
Specs: minimum of 3% retention will be left.

Next Step  
Treatments:

Acceptable Spruce, tamarack, aspen, balsam fir, white pine, and red maple.  
Regen:

Other Black spruce stand with upland ridges of aspen, balsam fir, and red maple. Overall the majority of the stand is lowland. Old next step  
Comment: comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016



S t a n d	Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Approval Status
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32	33042032-Cut	10.7	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Sawtimber Well	57	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. No retention is being left due to small stand size.

Specs:

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, maple, and balsam fir.

Regen:

Other Mature aspen and balsam fir stand. There are a couple of steep knolls on the north end of the stand. Old next step comments:

Comment:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

36	33042036-Cut	29.8	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Poletimber Well	55	111-140	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches; except leave some dense clumps/patches of cedar where available. If more retention is needed leave a

Specs: patch of aspen/balsam fir.

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, balsam fir, spruce, balm, maple, and ash.

Regen:

Other This stand is a mature aspen and balsam fir stand with some lowland hardwood pockets mixed in. The balsam fir is infested with the spruce

Comment: budworm. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

37	33042037-Cut	14.1	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Sawtimber Well	55	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Even-Aged	Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 3" inches. No retention will be left due to small stand size and the presence of the spruce budworm.

Specs:

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable Aspen, balsam fir, and maple.

Regen:

Other Mature good quality aspen stand with a significant amount of balsam fir. Most of the balsam fir is older than the aspen and there is quite a bit

Comment: that has already died. Also the spruce budworm is feeding on it. Most of the stand is high ground, with some low pockets. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

51	33042051-14- New	26.5	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	Sawtimber Well	53	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	Even-Aged	Incomplete Proposal
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**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 2" inches; the retention will be the buffer left along Devil's Creek. For the area being converted to red pine; herbicide, trench, and plant per TMS recommendations. The conversion to red pine is dependent on the Interim 4(d) rule for the Northern Long-Eared Bat, check at appropriate time to determine if conversion can occur. If conversion can not occur, manage the entire treatment area for aspen.

Next Step

Treatments:

Acceptable In the areas being managed for aspen, aspen, maple, balsam fir, and spruce. In the areas being converted red pine, red pine will be the

Regen: acceptable species.

Other This stand is primarily a mature aspen stand with some dense pockets of red maple mixed in. Most of the aspen is good quality, but along the southern third of the stand the soils are sandy and are not productive aspen soils. These areas will be converted to red pine following harvest. A 100' buffer along Devil's Creek will be left. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016



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Treatment Name	Acres	Stand CoverType	Size Density	Stand Age	BA Range	Treatment Type	Treatment Method	Cover Type Objective	Age Structure	Approval Status
51 33042051-Cut	105.0	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	Sawtimber Well	53	81-110	Harvest	Clearcut with Retention	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	Even-Aged	Proposal

**Habitat Cut: No**

**Site Condition:**

Prescription Cut all trees greater than 2" inches; the retention will be the buffer left along Devil's Creek. For the area being converted to red pine; herbicide, trench, and plant per TMS recommendations. The conversion to red pine is dependent on the Interim 4(d) rule for the Northern Long-Eared Bat, check at appropriate time to determine if conversion can occur. If conversion can not occur, manage the entire treatment area for aspen.

Next Step Pesticide, Skidder/Mechanical; SitePrep, Trenching; Planting, Initial Plant; Monitoring, Artificial Regen(1yr)  
Treatments:

Acceptable Regen: In the areas being managed for aspen, aspen, maple, balsam fir, and spruce. In the areas being converted red pine, red pine will be the acceptable species.

Other Comment: This stand is primarily a mature aspen stand with some dense pockets of red maple mixed in. Most of the aspen is good quality, but along the southern third of the stand the soils are sandy and are not productive aspen soils. These areas will be converted to red pine following harvest. A 100' buffer along Devil's Creek will be left. Old next step comments:

Proposed Start Date: 10/1 /2016

**Total Treatment Acreage Proposed: 384.0**

## Report 5 – Site Conditions

**Escanaba Mgt. Unit**  
**Dustin Salter : Examiner**

**Compartment: 42**  
**Year of Entry: 2017**

### Availability for Management

Total Acres	Acres		Dominant Site Conditions	3J	5D
	Available	Not Available			
825	764	61	Aspen	61	
229	229	0	Cedar		
9	9	0	Herbaceous Openland		
323	186	137	Lowland Conifers		137
281	281	0	Lowland Deciduous		
12	12	0	Lowland Mixed Forest		
78	78	0	Lowland Shrub		
9	9	0	Lowland Spruce/Fir		
232	181	51	Mixed Upland Deciduous	51	
208	208	0	Northern Hardwood		
11	11	0	Red Pine		
2	2	0	Sand, Soil		
4	4	0	Treed Bog		
59	59	0	Upland Conifers		
193	147	46	Upland Mixed Forest	46	
25	25	0	Water		
2,500	2,205	295	Total Forested Acres	158	137
	88%	12%	Relative Percent		

*\*Due to limitations in the current Site Conditions Analysis tool, all nonforested acres are considered available. Future development will enable analysis of nonforested types.*

Site No.	Dominant Site Cond Availability	Dominant Site Condition	Acres	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition	Other Site Condition
1	<b>Unavailable</b>	<b>5D: Unproductive Forest Land</b>	137	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
<b>Comments:</b>							
2	<b>Unavailable</b>	<b>3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)</b>	19	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
<b>Comments:</b> This stand is a buffer along the Big Cedar River. It also is a riparian travel corridor.							

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Escanaba Mgt. Unit  
Dustin Salter : Examiner

Compartment: 42  
Year of Entry: 2017

3	<b>Unavailable</b>	<b>3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)</b>	46	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
<p><b>Comments:</b> This stand is a buffer along the Big Cedar River.</p>							
4	<b>Unavailable</b>	<b>3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)</b>	61	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
<p><b>Comments:</b> 100 foot buffer along Devil's Creek.</p>							
6	<b>Unavailable</b>	<b>3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)</b>	32	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
<p><b>Comments:</b> Three chain buffer along the Big Cedar River.</p>							



**Report 6 – PROPOSED SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA\* (SCA) DETAILS**

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SCA Name	SCA Category	Detail Type	Recommendation	Acres
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> POTENTIAL OLD GROWTH WITHIN THE CEDAR RIVER FLOODPLAIN AND THAT IS THE LONG TERM MO. MIXTURE OF SMALLER TYPES GROUPED INTO ONE. Special value conservation area is riparian area value.	Potential Old Growth		<b>SCA Removal</b>	19
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> POTENTIAL OLD GROWTH	Potential Old Growth		<b>SCA Removal</b>	1
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> POTENTIAL OLD GROWTH	Potential Old Growth		<b>SCA Removal</b>	0
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> POTENTIAL OLD GROWTH.	Potential Old Growth		<b>SCA Removal</b>	1
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> POTENTIAL OLD GROWTH.	Potential Old Growth		<b>SCA Removal</b>	3
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	10
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	11
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	8
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	4



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SCA Name	SCA Category	Detail Type	Recommendation	Acres
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> . THE DEVILS CREEK ORV TRAIL CROSSES. Riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	3
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	8
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	16
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	6
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	12
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area. The long term MO is for riparian area and stream protection. This stands consists of areas of mutiple age of birch and balsam in the understory and hazelbrush.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	4
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	3
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> special value conservation area riparian area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	8
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> CUT UNDER CONTRACT 024-94-01. LOST MOTORCYCLE SALE. Riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	2
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> special value conservation area riparian area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	11



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SCA Name	SCA Category	Detail Type	Recommendation	Acres
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	5
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	2
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	8
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special conservaiton area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	3
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> .BUFFER ZONE ALONG THE CEDAR RIVER	Other SCA		SCA Removal	7
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	5
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> . SKI TRAIL RUNS THROUGH THIS STAND. Recreation special value conservation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	19
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value consrvation area.	Other SCA		SCA Removal	7



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SCA Name	SCA Category	Detail Type	Recommendation	Acres
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	5
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	13
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	53
<b>Unspecified</b> <b>Comments</b> riparian area special value conservation area.	Other SCA		<b>SCA Removal</b>	15



**Report 7 – EXISTING SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA DETAILS**

\* This is a list of SCA's for this compartment along with a 1/4 mile buffer surrounding the compartment. Refer to the Special Conservation Area Map for locations of the below listed Conservation Areas.

ERA = Ecological Reference Area  
 HCVA = High Conservation Value Area  
 SCA = Special Conservation Area

Conservation Area	Type	Description
SCA	Cold Water Lake	A coldwater lake has temperature and dissolved oxygen conditions that allow naturally-reproduced or stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish species to persist from year to year. Suitable conditions for coldwater fishes may occur in Michigan lakes if they are relatively deep, have substantial groundwater inflows, or are located in colder (northern) areas of the state. Such lakes are established by Director's action and designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 200.
SCA	Cold Water Stream	A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxygen conditions that allow naturally-reproduced or stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater fish species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically provide these conditions due to substantial contributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such streams are established by Director's action and designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210.



Stand	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
3	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	Poletimber Medium	158.4	102	Unspecified	Overall very poor quality stand. The cedar is short and with low diameters. There are some pockets of good quality tamarack, but most of them have died recently due to the Eastern Larch Beetle. The area that is prescribed for harvest has some mortality already. Look at the other tamarack pockets when this sale is set up to see if any of the others have enough merchantable wood left.
16	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Poletimber Well	23.8	40	51-80	Decent quality aspen stand with a high percentage of balsam fir. There is a high percentage of the balsam fir that is infested with the spruce budworm, there is quite a bit that has already died. Harvest this stand now to salvage as much of the balsam fir as possible.
18	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	Poletimber Well	57.2	103	Unspecified	This stand is very variable, it is made up by 6 to 8 different covertypes. They are all too small to separate out and all of them are mature and should be managed the same. Overall the stand is low, but there are a number of upland knobs/ridges. The Eastern Larch Beetle and the Spruce Budworm are present within this stand. There is some tamarack mortality already.
20	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Sawtimber Well	39.6	70	Unspecified	Overall this is a good quality aspen, red maple, and balsam fir stand. There are a couple of lowland pockets within the stand.
21	6124 - Lowland Spruce-Fir	Sapling Well	9.7	27	Immature	Stand was clearcut in 1988 on contract 013-87-01; except the cedar was retained. This is a fully stocked mixed conifer stand, most of which is lowland. There is quite a bit of advanced conifer regeneration from the last harvest. The spruce budworm is feeding on the spruce and balsam fir. Monitor this stand and in two years if the budworm damage has gotten worst when we set up the adjacent stands for harvest, prescribe this stand for harvest. This would be a low volume stand/sale.
22	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	13.6	90	111-140	Good quality hardwood stand, that was last thinned in 1989 on contract 013-87-01. A large portion of this stand is on a steep ridge. This stand has a very dense layer of sedge throughout it.
26	4136 - Aspen, Mixed Conifer	Poletimber Well	5.5	21	Immature	Stand was clearcut in 1994 on contract 005-93-01. The stand did not fully regenerate with aspen, but the open areas are filling in with balsam fir and spruce. There was quite a bit of cedar retained after the last harvest, but a high percentage has blown over since.
27	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Poletimber Medium	20.4	45	51-80	Stand is a mix of aspen and balsam fir. The aspen is poor quality and the balsam fir is infested with the Spruce Budworm. This stand needs to be harvested now to maximize aspen sprouting and to salvage as much balsam fir as possible.
28	6124 - Lowland Spruce-Fir	Poletimber Well	25.3	93	Unspecified	Black spruce stand with upland ridges of aspen, balsam fir, and red maple. Overall the majority of the stand is lowland.
31	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	102.5	90	81-110	Stand was last thinned in 1998 on contract 040-97-01. High quality sugar maple stand. I found 4 deer enclosure's within the stand.



	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
32	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Sawtimber Well	10.7	57	81-110	Mature aspen and balsam fir stand. There are a couple of steep knolls on the north end of the stand.
33	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Sawtimber Well	19.4	127	141-170	High quality cedar growing in the transition zone. There were 5 strips cut out of the stand in 1969 on the south end. These strips have regenerated with aspen, birch, and balsam fir primarily. These strips are so dense they are growing very slowly. On the north end of the stand there are a couple of pockets where the cedar has blown over. With these cedar blowing over they have pushed against additional cedar and these trees now have a significant lean. The cedar are very shallowly rooted. This area should be salvaged before all value is lost.
34	6128 - Lowland Coniferous, Mixed Deciduous	Poletimber Well	36.6	98	81-110	This stand is a mix of black spruce on the west side and lowland hardwood on the east side. In areas they are blended together, so it was difficult to separate. All of the species within the stand are mature and in need of harvest. This stand will regenerate to black spruce where there is sphagnum moss and the other areas will be a mix of lowland hardwoods.
36	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Poletimber Well	30.5	55	111-140	This stand is a mature aspen and balsam fir stand with some lowland hardwood pockets mixed in. The balsam fir is infested with the spruce budworm.
37	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Sawtimber Well	14.1	55	81-110	Mature good quality aspen stand with a significant amount of balsam fir. Most of the balsam fir is older than the aspen and there is quite a bit that has already died. Also the spruce budworm is feeding on it. Most of the stand is high ground, with some low pockets.
38	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Sawtimber Medium	9.0	135	171-200	Mature high quality cedar stand growing on the transition zone. Over the last few years a 1 to 2 acre pocket in the center of the stand has blown over. These trees have also caused small pockets of other trees on the edge of the blow down to have a significant lean. It is just a matter of time before there is more wind thrown trees. The cedar is very shallowly rooted. There is already high volume on the ground and leaning. This should be salvaged along with the clumps that are leaning already.
42	4130 - Aspen	Sapling Well	44.1	12	Immature	Stand was clearcut in 2003 on contract 036-02-01. Fully stocked aspen stand, with the open areas filling in with balsam fir.
43	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Sawtimber Well	46.4	102	81-110	This stand is a compilation of many different cover types, but they are each so small that it isn't practical to separate them out. This stand is a buffer to the Big Cedar River.
51	4139 - Aspen, Mixed Deciduous	Sawtimber Well	254.0	53	81-110	This stand is primarily a mature aspen stand with some dense pockets of red maple mixed in. Most of the aspen is good quality, but along the southern third of the stand the soils are sandy and are not productive aspen soils. These areas will be converted to red pine following harvest. A 100' buffer along Devil's Creek will be left.



Stand Cover Type

Acres

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Site

General Comments:

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