

Compartment Review Presentation

Gwinn Forest Management Unit

Compartment 32214 Entry Year 2019 Acreage: 884

County Marquette

Management Area: Peshekee Highlands

Revision Date: 2017-08-01

Stand Examiner: Jason Caron

Legal Description:

T48N-30W, S1/2SE of Section 13. T48N-29W, Sections 18 & 19.

Identified Planning Goals:

Allow natural processes to occur within the rugged and remote areas within the compartment. Conduct timber harvests where feasible.

Soil and topography:

Rugged and rocky ground throughout the compartment. Numerous rocky knobs and cliffs exist.

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

The area surrounding the compartment is owned by private landowners. Land use within the compartment is limited due to the lack of roads and rough terrain. Land use around the compartment would consist of four wheeling, berry picking, fishing and hunting.

Unique Natural Features:

The ruggedness of the compartment is very unique. Numerous rock outcrops exist which can offer good views of the surrounding area.

Archeological, Historical, and Cultural Features:

I do not know of any within the compartment. The Peshekee Grade has some historical value as it was constructed in 1889 as a railroad to haul ore from Arvon to Huron Bay. The train never carried a single pound of ore due to the steep grade of the rail line. The rail line and ore dock within Huron Bay was dismantled in 1901.

Special Management Designations or Considerations:

No special management designations for this compartment.

Watershed and Fisheries Considerations:

The headwaters of the Escanaba River start within this compartment. Martins Lake may have potential for fish stocking?

Wildlife Habitat Considerations:

Compartment 214 is found within the Peshekee Highlands Management Area; on a Bedrock Controlled Ground Moraine in east central Baraga and northwestern Marquette County. The dominant Natural Communities are mesic northern forest, poor conifer swamps, and boreal forests. This management area receives significant snowfall and does not offer wintering habitat for deer. As a result, many tree species that do not reliably recruit across the Ecoregion are found in numerous age classes across this management area. Additionally, three of the largest tracts of mature forest in the Great Lakes (e.g. McCormick Tract, Craig's Lake Wilderness State Park, and the Huron Mountain Club) occur within or adjacent to this management area, the best example of a dry mesic northern forest (Rocking Chair Lakes) in the state and two of the top eight examples of Mesic Northern Forest statewide occur here. The current condition and spatial arrangement of these areas provide some of the best opportunities within the WUP, state, and Great Lakes for area sensitive wildlife requiring large tracts of mature forest, mesic conifer or corridors between such areas. Wildlife management issues in this management area are: habitat fragmentation; course woody debris; retain or develop large living and dead standing trees (for cavities); mesic conifer; mature forest; within-stand diversity; early successional forest (hardwood browse adjacent to closed canopy lowland conifer swamps); and course woody debris.

The following have been identified as featured species for the Peshekee Highlands Management area: American marten, blackburnian warbler, gray jay, moose, northern goshawk, and pileated woodpecker.

Mineral Resource and Development Concerns and/or Restrictions

Sections 6 & 18-20, T48N R29W and Section 13, T48N R30W, Marguette County

A gravel pit is located in Section 23, just over one mile to the southwest, but sand and gravel pit potential is limited within the compartment due to shallow bedrock. Bedrock consists of granitoid rocks that could be used as dimension stone.

Abandoned iron mines are located just to the south, but there is little potential for iron ore within the compartment. There may be potential for other metallic minerals along the Great Lakes Tectonic Zone. There has been no history of leasing within the compartment. There is no economic oil and gas production in the UP.

Vehicle Access:

Very limited access into the compartment.

Survey Needs:

No survey needs.

Recreational Facilities and Opportunities:

No recreational facilities exist within this compartment. Opportunities for recreation consist mostly of hunting and trapping.

Fire Protection:

Fire protection is limited due to the remote and rugged nature of this area.

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

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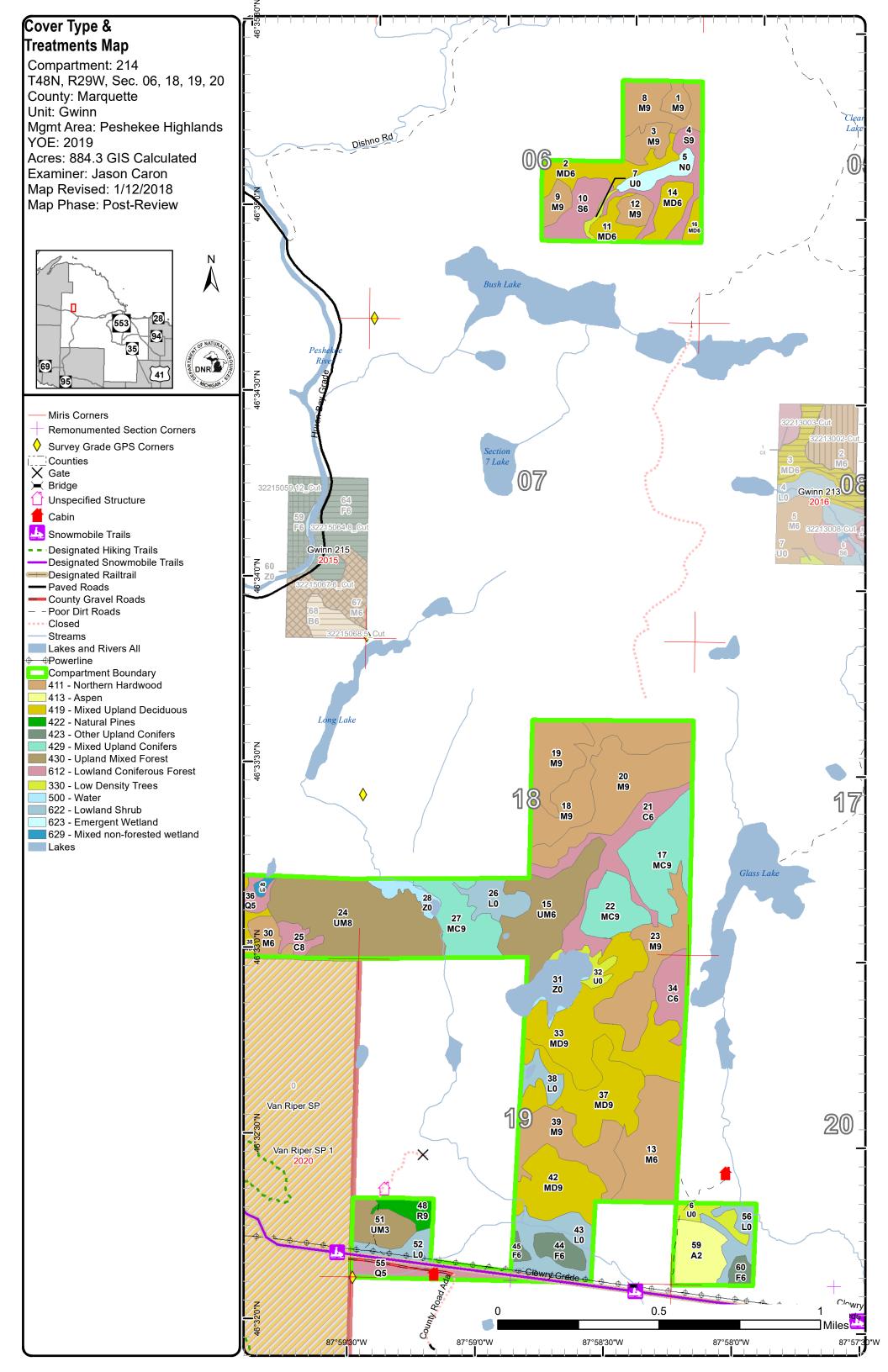
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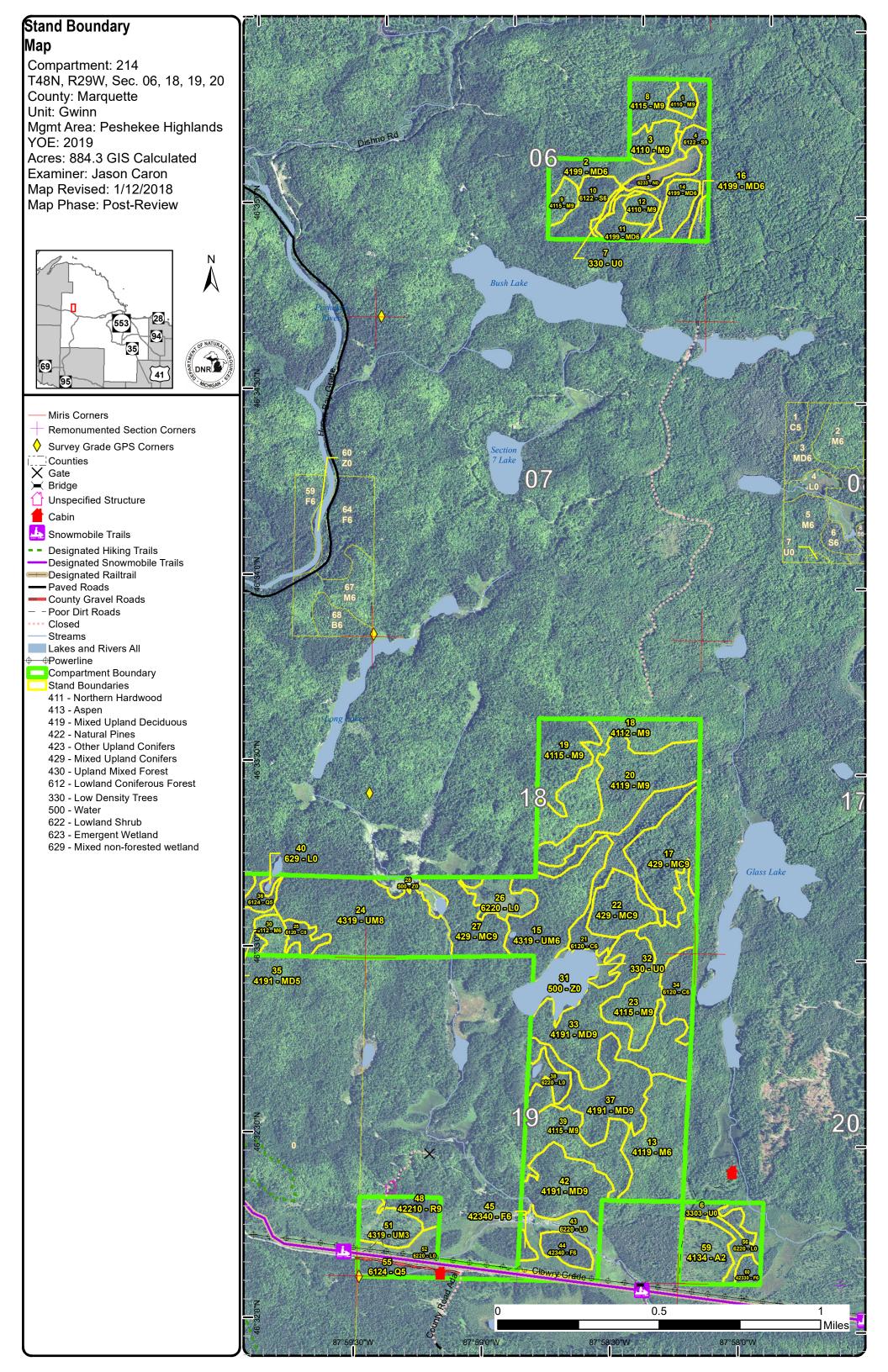
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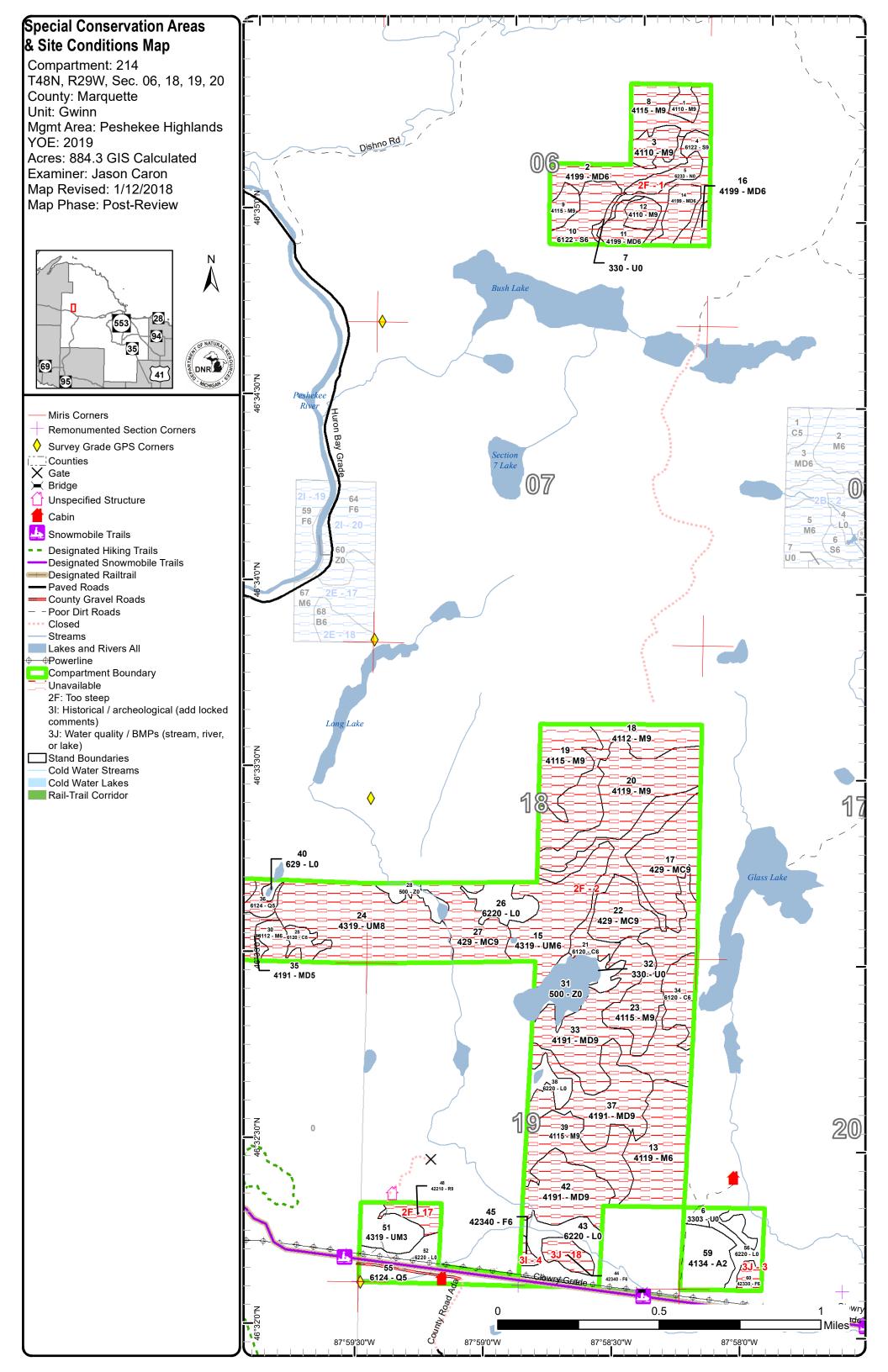


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Aspen	0	19	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	19
Cedar	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	29	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	49
Low-Density Trees	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Lowland Conifers	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	24
Lowland Shrub	60	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	60
Lowland Spruce/Fir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	29
Marsh	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Mixed Upland Deciduous	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	163	0	24	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	187
Northern Hardwood	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	87	112	0	57	0	0	0	0	0	0	255
Red Pine	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7
Upland Conifers	0	0	0	0	0	34	0	0	0	42	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	76
Upland Mixed Forest	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	39	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	120
Upland Spruce/Fir	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14
Water	23	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	23
Total	104	33	0	0	0	34	19	14	269	251	98	57	6	0	0	0	0	0	884









Report 2 – Treatment Summary

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Acres of Harvest

Compartment 214
Total Compartment Acres: 884

Commercial Harvest Harvests with Site Condition - 0
Next Step Harvest - 0
Habitat Cut - 0

Compartment: s Year of Entry: t а **Treatment** Acres Stand Size Stand ВА **Treatment Treatment Cover Type** Age **Approval** n Density Age Method Objective Structure Status Name CoverType Range Type

Report 3 -- Treatments

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Site Condition: Habitat Cut:

Prescription Specs:

Next Step

Treatments:

<u>Acceptable</u> Regen:

Other Comment:

Proposed Start Date:

Total Treatment Acreage Proposed:

0.0

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Availability for Management Total Acres Acres Avail Acres **Dominant Site Conditions** Available With Condition Not Available 2F 3J Acres Aspen Cedar Low-Density Trees **Lowland Conifers** Lowland Shrub Lowland Spruce/Fir Marsh **Mixed Upland Deciduous** Northern Hardwood **Red Pine Upland Conifers Upland Mixed Forest** Upland Spruce/Fir Water **Total Forested Acres** 17% 83% 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	Unavailable	2F: Too steep	119	2G: Too wet (sensitive soils, does not include access issues)	2E: Road needed	Unspecified	Unspecified	
Comments: This area of state land contains numerous rock hills and cliffs. Drainages exist within the low areas.								
2	Unavailable	2F: Too steep	598	2H: Blocked by physical obstacle (e.g. upland stand in a lowland area)	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	
	Comments: Stand is very rugged	d and steep, too much for ma	chinery.	Stand is also blocked by wa	ter features and private la	ınd.		

Report 4 – Site Conditions

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3	Unavailable	3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	4	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
C	Comments:						
4	Unavailable	3l: Historical / archeological (add locked comments)	2	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
C	Comments:						
17	Unavailable	2F: Too steep	7	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
	Comments: Stand is growing o	n a granite cliff					
18	Unavailable	3J: Water quality / BMPs (stream, river, or lake)	8	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified	Unspecified
	Comments: Stand could be har	vested but only the center would	d be feasi	ble. Access road into the	e stand for logging might de	egrade the wetland as well.	

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Report 5 - PROPOSED SPECIAL CONSERVATION AREA* (SCA) DETAILS

* This is a partial list of SCAs for this compartment. Not included are those areas identified under other Department initiatives (Natural Rivers, Deer Wintering Areas, etc.). Those will be identified in separate, future map and report products.

SCA Name	SCA Category	Detail Type	Recommendation	Acres
Comments				

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* 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.

Conservation Area	on Type	Description	ERA = Ecological Reference Area HCVA = High Conservation Value Area SCA = Special Conservation Area
SCA	Cold Water Lake	A coldwater lake has temperature and dissolved oxyger stocked trout populations and those of other coldwater conditions for coldwater fishes may occur in Michigan la groundwater inflows, or are located in colder (northern) Director's action and designated as trout resources by F	fish species to persist from year to year. Suitable akes if they are relatively deep, have substantial areas of the state. Such lakes are established by
SCA	Cold Water Stream	A coldwater stream has temperature and dissolved oxystocked trout populations and those of other coldwater year to year. Coldwater streams in Michigan typically prcontributions of groundwater to their stream flows. Such designated as trout resources by Fisheries Order 210.	fish species (e.g., slimy sculpin) to persist from rovide these conditions due to substantial

s	Gwinn	Mgt. Unit		Report 7	– Forested	Stands Compartment: 214 Year of Entry: 2019
t a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
1	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	4.6	100	111-140	A poor quality hardwood stand that contains a mix of sugar maple and red maple. Scattered large diameter yellow birch exists throughout the stand. The stand is growing on rocky ground, a few rock outcrops exist within the stand as well.
2	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Poletimber Well	16.1	75	81-110	Stand consists of a mix of red maple and paper birch with log sized white spruce scattered throughout. Paper birch is in decline due to age. A thick fir understory exists throughout most of the stand.
3	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	8.8	100	111-140	Stand is mostly sugar maple with a few yellow birch and red maple along the edges but not enough to put into the canopy species. Stand is growing on shallow rocky soils. Timber is poorer quality. Just a trace of sugar maple within the understory.
4	6122 - Black Spruce	Sawtimber Well	14.9	80		Stand consists of a small drainage that feeds into Bush Lake to the south. Stand consists of both cedar and black spruce. Some upland species exist along the edges but not enough to put into the stand data.
8	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	Sawtimber Well	18.6	75	111-140	Stand consists of poorer quality red maple and yellow birch. A heavy understory of fir exists along with red maple. Moose browse prevalent throughout the stand. The ground is mostly high but does contain drainages in some areas.
9	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	Sawtimber Well	5.8	100	111-140	Stand of poorer quality hardwood that is growing on thin rocky soil. Some large diameter older trees exist within the stand. The majority of the trees are within the 16" dbh range. The yellow birch and red maple are along the edges of the stand.
10	6122 - Black Spruce	Poletimber Well	13.9	88	81-110	Stand of lowland black spruce mixed with cedar. A small pocket of upland exists within the northeast corner of the stand, but it's too small to delineate. A heavy component of tag alder exists within most of the stand. Timber is sparse in some areas due to the wet soils that exist.
11	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Poletimber Well	7.5	75	111-140	Stand consists of a mix of red maple and paper birch with log sized white spruce scattered throughout. Paper birch is in decline due to age.
12	4110 - Sugar Maple Association	Sawtimber Well	5.7	100	111-140	Stand consists of poor quality sugar maple stand with some large diameter trees scattered throughout. Moose browse exists within the stand.
13	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Poletimber Well	39.0	75	81-110	The stand consists of a ridge of hardwood along the west side that runs north & south. The east half of the stand consists of a steep ridge that grades down as you go east. The hardwood is poor quality due to poor soils.
14	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Poletimber Well	9.9	75	81-110	Stand consists of a mix of red maple and paper birch with log sized white spruce scattered throughout. Paper birch is in decline due to age.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
15	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Poletimber Well	39.2	85	81-110	Stand consists of a mix of red maple and fir. Scattered paper birch and aspen exist but they are falling out of the stand. A few larger diameter white pine are scattered throughout the stand as well. The southwest corner of the stand contains a mature black spruce swamp, along with a small pond/bog. Black spruce contains a lot of mistletoe damage.
16	4199 - Other Mixed Upland Deciduous	Poletimber Well	3.6	75	81-110	Stand consists of a mix of red maple and paper birch with log sized white spruce scattered throughout. Paper birch is in decline due to age.
17	429 - Mixed Upland Conifers	Sawtimber Well	34.0	44	81-110	Stand consists of dense fir or various ages with scattered maple and pine throughout. Rocky undulating ground exists throughout the stand.
18	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	Sawtimber Well	36.8	88	81-110	Stand of poor quality hardwood, mostly maple. Some clumps of log sized oak do exist and are scattered throughout the stand. Rock ravines exist within the stand as well. Trees are essentially growing on rock.
19	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	Sawtimber Well	23.4	88	81-110	Stand consists of poor quality maple and yellow birch. Stand contains upland log sized cedar as well as super canopy white pine scattered throughout the stand. Rock ravines with small drainages exist throughout the stand. I measured a 42" dbh white pine in this stand. Ground is entirely rock, very shallow soil. A small lowland cedar stand exists within the northwest corner of the compartment.
20	4119 - Mixed Northern Hardwoods	Sawtimber Well	44.3	88	81-110	Stand consists of rock hills with tag alder sloughs throughout. The stand contains a mix of sugar maple, red maple and paper birch. A few large white is growing on the rock hills. Paper birch is in very poor condition.
21	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Poletimber Well	29.3	85		Stand of lowland species that consists of cedar, black spruce and tamarack. A heavy tag alder component exists within the understory.
22	429 - Mixed Upland Conifers	Sawtimber Well	18.4	88	81-110	Stand consists of super canopy white pine with fir and maple poles within the understory. Fir is various ages. Pine is mostly growing on rock knobs. A few ravines exist within the stand but the ground is not wet in the bottom.
23	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	Sawtimber Well	31.6	100	81-110	Stand of poor quality hardwood. Nice sugar maple saplings within the understory. Pockets of log sized upland cedar exist within the stand. Old remnant cedar stumps within the stand as well.
24	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Sawtimber Medium	66.7	95	81-110	2017- Merged this stand into the former compartment (215) to the west. This is predominantly a white birch-fir-red maple stand. There is some aspen and sugar maple present (the southeast corner is a small pocket of low quality hardwood that would be treated the same as main stand). Fir will take over this stand within the next 2 entry periods as the birch is beginning to fall apart. Stand is operable for a harvest however there currently is no access.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
25	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Sawtimber Medium	5.6	114	Unspecified	Predominantly a cedar log stand with balsam and black ash poles (in pockets) scattered throughout. Mucky soils. Combined this compartment and stand into C-214. Used former inventory information and notes for this stand.
27	429 - Mixed Upland Conifers	Sawtimber Well	23.8	88	81-110	Stand consists of rock hills with a mix of pine, maple and fir on them. The white pine is in good condition and quality. The remaining species are poor quality. A couple of drainages exist within the stand that are heavy to tag alder.
30	4112 - Maple, Beech, Cherry Association	Poletimber Well	7.2	89	81-110	There is currently no access to this stand. It is operable though.
33	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Sawtimber Well	59.1	70	81-110	Stand of mixed deciduous and fir growing on rock. Small drains/ravines exist throughout the stand. Timber is poor quality due to shallow soils.
34	6120 - Lowland Cedar	Poletimber Well	14.1	71	141-170	Stand of mostly pole sized cedar. Some larger cedar exists within pockets. The birch that exists within the stand is poor quality and is falling out of the stand. A small wetland exists along the east edge of this stand.
35	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Poletimber Medium	23.5	95	51-80	This stand is essentially three knobs with trees on them divided by a 'Y' drainage. About 80% of this stand is inoperable due to terrain and drainages. The west side of the stand is a steep hill side that borders the Peshekee River.
36	6124 - Lowland Spruce- Fir	Poletimber Medium	5.1	76	Unspecified	Stand is the result of an old lake that appears to be filling in. Cedar, balsam, and red maple are mainly on the outer edge of the stand and black spruce is dominant near the center.
37	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Sawtimber Well	38.2	70	51-80	Stand of rock hills with lowland valleys throughout. The south east corner of the stand contains a small black ash swamp. Rock hills contain a mix of red pine and white pine. Both upland and lowland cedar exist within the stand.
39	4115 - Y.Birch, Hemlock NH	Sawtimber Well	29.5	70	81-110	Stand of rock knobs and ravines that contain low ground. Large rock walls exist along the ravines. Some oak and hemlock exists within the stand. Paper birch is falling out due to age.
42	4191 - Mixed Upland Deciduous with Conifer	Sawtimber Well	29.0	70	51-80	Stand contains rock hills that consist of mostly white pine and red pine. Within the valleys a mix of paper birch and red maple exist. Paper birch is falling out of the stand due to age. An area of old blowdown exists in the north part of the stand that has regenerated back to a mix of white pine, aspen and red maple mix.
44	42340 - Upland Spruce/Fir	Poletimber Well	7.9	63	81-110	Stand consists of younger spruce and fir. The west side of the stand contains some nice log sized red pine.
45	42340 - Upland Spruce/Fir	Poletimber Well	2.1	63	81-110	Stand of smaller diameter spruce and fir.
48	42210 - Natural Red Pine	Sawtimber Well	7.2	99	81-110	Natural red pine which is growing on a large rock outcrop.

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a n d	Level 4 Cover Type	Size Density	Acres	Stand Age	BA Range	General Comments:
51	4319 - Mixed Upland Forest	Sapling Well	14.0	5	Immature	Seed tree harvest in 2012: TS# 101-09-01. Stand consists of aspen and fir regeneration. Scattered mature pine exists throughout the stand.
55	6124 - Lowland Spruce- Fir	Poletimber Medium	18.9	50	51-80	Stand consists of both upland and lowland species.
59	4134 - Aspen, Spruce/Fir	Sapling Medium	18.8	5	Immature	Seed tree harvest in 2012: TS# 101-09-01. Stand consists of scattered mature pine with aspen, fir and cherry regeneration filling in underneath. Regeneration is poor for the most part. Some pockets of aspen and cherry exist but overall it is pretty sparse. Stand should fill in over time. The regeneration is too far along to consider site preparation and tree planting.
60	42330 - Upland Fir	Poletimber Well	3.9	63	51-80	I did not make it to this stand. I am guessing it is very similar to what stand 44 is comprised of, a mix of spruce and fir.

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Stand	Cover Type	Acres	Managed Site	General Comments:
5	6233 - Wet Meadow	7.4	No	Stand is part of a beaver flooding. The east side consists of lowland grasses and stumps. The west side consists of the actual beaver dam and water impoundment.
6	3303 - Mixed Low Density Trees	6.7	No	Stand consists of mostly lowland brush with a few minor lowland conifer inclusions.
7	330 - Low-Density Trees	1.7	No	Small drainage that is heavy to tag alder.
26	6220 - Alder/willow	11.9	No	Tag alder slough with a couple of patches of timber included.
28	500 - Water	6.7	No	A lake with no name.
31	500 - Water	16.0	No	Martins Lake
32	330 - Low-Density Trees	5.5	No	Lowland area along the lakeshore. Stand consists of a mix of tag alder and white pine.
38	6220 - Alder/willow	6.9	No	I did not make it to this stand during inventory. Here is what the former inventory notes stated Wet lowland conifers are part of a larger unmanaged forest complex. Stand contains a small pond. L inclusions.
40	629 - Mixed non-forested wetland	1.5	No	
43	6220 - Alder/willow	20.1	No	Headwaters of the Escanaba River which consist of tag alder and willow.
52	6220 - Alder/willow	8.8	No	Tag alder and willow slough.
56	6220 - Alder/willow	11.4	No	Primarily lowland brush with a few minor lowland conifer inclusions.