



Sawyer County

Agenda

Land, Water, & Forest Resources Committee Meeting
Wednesday, May 12, 2021 @ 8:30 AM
Assembly Room

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1. CALL TO ORDER

- a. The public is **strongly encouraged** to access the public meeting remotely due to public health and safety concerns. To view or participate in the **virtual meeting** from a computer, iPad, or Android device please go to <https://zoom.us/j/99719807086> You can also use the dial in number for listening only at **1-312-626-6799** with the Webinar ID: 997 1980 7086. If additional assistance is needed please contact the Sawyer County Forestry Office at 715-634-4846 prior to the meeting. This meeting will be recorded and will be available on our website at: <https://sawyercountygov.org>
- b. If you are on a computer, click the "Raise Hand" button and wait to be recognized.
- c. If you are on a telephone, dial *9 and wait to be recognized.

2. ROLL CALL

3. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE OPEN MEETINGS LAW

4. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

- a. At this time, members of the public will be given the opportunity to address the Committee on items not on the agenda. Please adhere to the following when addressing the Committee:
 - Comments will be limited to 3 minutes or less per individual.
 - Comments should be directed to the Committee as a whole and not directed to individual Committee members.
 - The Committee cannot respond to your comments during this time.

- Please sign in and fill out a public comment sheet if you wish to speak on an item.

4 - 5	6. CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING a. 4.14.21 LWERC Committee Minutes DRAFT
	7. EVENTS - DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION
6 - 8	8. SAWYER COUNTY TREASURERS DEPARTMENT a. OTC Land Sale Town Bass Lake #002169033100 (discussion & possible action)
	9. LAND RECORDS AND COUNTY SURVEYOR DEPARTMENT REPORT
9 - 16	10. SAWYER COUNTY FORESTRY DEPARTMENT a. Timber Sale Bid Approval 1) May 2021 TIMBER SALE BID RESULTS.xls 2) May 2021 Timber Sale Bid Summary
17 - 18	b. Request Budget Amendment to Replace Forestry Tractor (discussion and possible action) RES 2021- AUTHORIZING INCREASE TO 2020 ATV SNOWMOBILE PROJECTS BUDGET FOR TRACTOR
19	c. ABSF Proposal for Solar Panel Installation for "OO" Trailhead Building 2021-04-30 Birkie OO Solar Proposal 24.9kW-3
20 - 21	d. LCO Resolution for ATV/UTV Trail Application (discussion and possible action) RES 2021- LCO Resolution for Support for Sawyer County Government ATV-UTV Trails Aids Application
	e. Carbon Tax Update
	f. Recreational Trails Report Motorized- Non-motorized-
22 - 25	g. County Forestry Report April 21 forestry report
26 - 27	h. DNR Forestry Report DNR Forestry Report 5.12.2021

11. ZONING/ CONSERVATION DEPARTMENT

- a. County Report
[Conservation Department Update May 2021](#)
- b. USDA report
- c. LCO report

12. FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**13. CORRESPONDENCE, REPORTS FROM CONFERENCES AND MEETINGS, OTHER MATTERS FOR DISCUSSION ONLY****14. ADJOURNMENT****DISCLAIMER:**

A quorum of the County Board of Supervisors or of any of its committees may be present at this meeting to listen and observe. Neither the Board nor any of the committees have established attendance at this meeting as an official function of the Board or committee(s) or otherwise made a determination that attendance at the meeting is necessary to carry out the Board or committee's function. The only purpose for other supervisors attending the meeting is to listen to the information presented. Neither the Board nor any committee (other than the committee providing this notice and agenda) will take any official action with respect to this noticed meeting.

Land, Water, and Forest Resources Committee Mission Statement: "Develop, guide and implement policies that protect and ensure the sustainability of our bio-diverse community."

**Minutes of the April 14th meeting of the Sawyer County
Land, Water & Forest Resources Committee
Of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors
Assembly Room; Sawyer County**



Voting Committee Members (X) Present:

- ☒ Chair: **Bruce Paulson**
- ☒ Ron Buckholtz – Vice Chair
- ☒ Jesse Boettcher - Virtual
- ☒ Brian Bisonette - Virtual
- ☒ Marc Helwig - Virtual
- ☒ Kevin Sheptick

Others Present:

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| Lynn Fitch | Jay Kozlowski |
| Mike Coleson | Brian DeVries |
| Jay Kozlowski | Kimberly Wendt |
| Tim Siedl | Roy Zubrod - Virtual |
| Greg Peterson | Dan Ploeger |
| Kris Treland | Linda Zillmer – Virtual |
| Terrell Bettcher - Virtual | |

Call to Order – Chair Bruce Paulson called the meeting to order at 8:30 am.

Certification of Compliance with the open meeting law was met. Roll Call was taken; a quorum was met.

Meeting Agenda – Mr. Paulson requested that item 10g be moved up to item 7 of the agenda; there were no objections.

Public Comments – Public comment was heard from Linda Zillmer.

Minutes from the previous meeting – A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz to approve the minutes of the March 10th, 2021, meeting; second by Mr. Sheptick. Motion carried without negative vote.

Events – Mr. Peterson presented a request to approve the application for the September 9th Chequamegon Mountain Bike Festival. A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz; second by Mr. Sheptick to approve the application. Motion carried without negative vote.

Mr. Peterson presented the August 21st Seeley Mountain Bike Festival application. A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz; second by Mr. Helwig to approve the application. Motion carried without negative vote.

Sawyer County Treasurer's Department – An over-the-counter land sale for parcel 020-638-11-3303 in the Town of Ojibwa was presented by Mr. Paulsen. A motion was made by Mr. Buckholtz; second by Mr. Helwig to approve this request and move it forward to the April County Board meeting. Motion carried without negative vote.

Land Records and County Surveyor Department Report – Mr. DeVries and Ms. Wendt presented an overview of the County GIS system and talked about how the GIS services relate to other departments within the County. A variety of maps are available for staff and public use, one which provides a visual of changes in landmarks over the past five years. Aerial photography and Lidar sonar systems are used in creating these maps which often save County staff research time before heading into the field. Grant funds were used in the development of some of the mapping systems.

Sawyer County Forestry Department Report

Motorized and non-motorized trail systems - Ms. Treland advised the County that the trail system is being highlighted in a Discover Wisconsin segment set to start airing today.

Mr. Peterson provided a summary of the grant applications included in the packet. He stated that they are continuing to piece together segments of the Tuscobia trail system, and they are applying for 6.6 miles of new snowmobile trails.

The Outdoor Recreation Plan has been on the website and available for public comment, with no comments having been received to date. The plan has added more detail regarding soil information and day-use areas within the county. Mr. Buckholtz made a motion to approve the plan and move it forward to the April County Board meeting as presented; a second was made by Mr. Boettcher. Motion carried without negative vote.

Mr. Peterson advised that he has researched the carbon tax credit program and there may be opportunity for the County to sell our carbon tax credits on the market. An outside company will do an assessment of our services to determine viability; several surrounding counties are going through this assessment now. Further information will be available at the May meeting.

A written County Forestry report was provided. There are 25 sale bids going out today and there is good interest from contractors. The County road bans should go off on April 19th.

Mr. Helwig advised he was leaving the meeting at 9:21 am.

Mr. Zubrod provided a written report and stated that the DNR is starting to put in docks at state-owned boat landings this week.

Zoning/Conservation Department Report – Written reports were provided. Mr. Kozlowski advised that the County has now received reimbursement for the Tiger Cat Dam replacement and building/property sales remain strong. Mr. Sidel reported out on the continuing education webinars he attended and stated that the 10-year Plan presented to the Wisconsin Land and Water Board was well-received.

Mr. Kozlowski provided an overview of the research completed in regard to the Farm Land Preservation program. Until Sawyer County has more farmers interested in participating, the expense and work to participate does not appear to warrant participation. Other grant funds are available to farmers that may be more suitable and easier to secure. No other surrounding counties are currently enrolled in this program. He recommends that the County maintain the status quo and not move forward with implementing the program at this time.

Mr. Sheptick advised that the ASC office in Ladysmith is now opening its doors to the public on an appointment basis.

Mr. Bisonette updated the committee on the progress being made on the new fish hatchery which will be completed this spring.

Other Topics for Discussion Only – Mr. Ploeger mentioned that Nelson Lake is filling up and should be up to full capacity soon.

Meeting Date/Time – The next meeting of the Land, Water & Forest Resources Committee will be Wednesday, May 12th, at 8:30 am in the Assembly Room.

Meeting adjourned at 9:40 am
Minutes recorded by Lynn Fitch, County Clerk

Northwoods Beach Land Sale List – 2020

legacy parcel identification number	abbreviated legal description	section township range	approx. acreage	minimum bid \$
TOWN OF BASS LAKE				
01. 002-103-13 2000	Abendpost Beach Subdivision, Lot 20, Block 13	30.40.8	.069	\$ 300
02. 002-103-17-3900	Abendpost Beach Subdivision, Lots 39 & 40, Block 17	30.40.8	.138	\$ 600
03. 002-103-24-1800	Abendpost Beach Subdivision, Lots 18 & 19, Block 24	30.40.8	.138	\$ 600
04. 002-106-09-0700	Abendpost Beach Subdivision, 1st Addition, Lot 7, Block 9	31.40.8	.236	\$ 1100
05. 002-109-02 1900	Abendpost Beach Subdivision, 2 nd Addition, Lots 19-28, Incl, Block 2	31.40.8	.689	\$ 9,600
06. 002-109-10-1900	Abendpost Beach Subdivision, 2 nd Addition, Lots 19 & 20, Block 10	31.40.8	.138	\$ 600
07. 002-109-13 2400	Abendpost Beach Subdivision 2 nd Addition, Lot 24, Block 13	31.40.8	.069	\$ 300
09. 002-109-42 3500	Abendpost Beach Subdivision 2 nd Addition, Lots 35 and 36, Block 42	31.40.8	.161	\$ 700
11. 002-121-11-0103	Community Beach Subdivision, Lots 1-2 Block 11	30.40.8	.138	\$ 600
12. 002-136-08 2600	Dixon Beach Subdivision, Lot 26, Block 8	30.40.8	.069	\$ 300
13. 002-136-09 3500	Dixon Beach Subdivision, Lots 35 and 36, Block 9	30.40.8	.138	\$ 600
14. 002-136-10 2100	Dixon Beach Subdivision, Lots 21 and 22, Block 10	30.40.8	.138	\$ 600
15. 002-145-15 2300	Janesville Beach Subdivision, Lots 23, 24, and 25, Block 15	30.40.8	.207	\$ 900
16. 002-145-15 2900	Janesville Beach Subdivision, Lot 29, Block 15	30.40.8	.069	\$ 300
17. 002-157-04 0900	Malar Beach Subdivision, Lots 9, 10, and 11, Block 4	30.40.8	.207	\$ 900
18. 002-157-05 1500	Malar Beach Subdivision, Lots 15 and 16, Block 5	30.40.8	.138	\$ 600
19. 002-157-17 0800	Malar Beach Subdivision, Lot 8, Block 17	30.40.8	.069	\$ 300
20. 002-157-17 2800	Malar Beach Subdivision, Lot 28, Block 17	30.40.8	.069	\$ 300
21. 002-169-03 3100	Rockford Beach Subdivision, Lot 5A, Block 3	30.40.8	.069	\$ 300

APPLICATION TO PURCHASE COUNTY-OWNED LAND

SAWYER COUNTY TREASURER'S OFFICE
P.O. BOX 935
HAYWARD, WI 54843-0935 715/634-4868

Robert P. Kazmarek

PLEASE PRINT THE FULL NAME(S) AS YOU WANT IT LISTED ON THE DEED

1103 E Newhall Ave Waukesha WI 53186
ADDRESS CITY, STATE, ZIP

PHONE NUMBER 414-400-1758

I HEREBY APPLY FOR THE PURCHASE OF ITEM NUMBER 21 INDICATED ON THE SAWYER COUNTY LAND SALE LIST DATED 2020 DESCRIBED AS FOLLOWS:

Rockford Beach Subdivision Lot 5A Blk 3 30 40 8 0.07
DESCRIPTION SECTION TWSHP RANGE ACRES

LEGACY PIN # 002 169033 100

I AM SUBMITTING PAYMENT, MADE PAYABLE TO THE SAWYER COUNTY TREASURER, OF \$ 300 WHICH IS AT LEAST THE AMOUNT OF THE MINIMUM BID AT THE LAST ADVERTISED LAND SALE, PLUS A \$30.00 RECORDING FEE.

I have read and understand the NOTICE provision as printed below.

SIGNED: Robert P. Kazmarek

DATED: April 27, 2021

NOTICE

The Land, Water and Forest Resources Committee of the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors reserves the right to accept or reject any and all bids. Parcels (and improvements thereto) are sold "as is" and are subject to any and all reservations, easements, and exceptions of record; and are subject to the provisions of Sawyer County zoning, sanitary code, and subdivision control ordinances and regulations, and to any and all federal, state and local government laws and regulations. By applying for purchase of parcels included in this list the successful applicant agrees to hold Sawyer County harmless for any and all costs and expenses that might be required for procurement of evidence of title, property boundaries, access rights and/or development of said access, and for the condition of the land and/or improvements thereto.

The buyer is responsible for inspection of property prior to the sale. Sawyer County does not guarantee title, acreage, access rights, location of property boundaries, or condition of the land and/or improvements thereto. Sawyer County will issue only quit claim deeds, conveying only whatever interest Sawyer County has in each parcel, upon sale of the parcels, and will reserve any existing road right-of-way and flowage easements. Acreage amounts listed for each parcel in the tax roll and on the land sale list, and tax parcel map depictions of parcels may not be accurate and are not guaranteed by Sawyer County.

<http://sawyerqis.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=90bef9fa2f764b4bb3e10f8aa5263b66>

Real Estate Sawyer County Property Listing

Today's Date: 4/30/2021

Property Status: Current
Created On: 2/6/2007 7:55:03 AM

Description Updated: 8/24/2017

Tax ID:	1554
PIN:	57-002-2-40-08-30-5 15-164-033100
Legacy PIN:	002169033100
Map ID:	-9.3.5A
Municipality:	(002) TOWN OF BASS LAKE
STR:	S30 T40N R08W
Description:	ROCKFORD BEACH LOT 5A BLK 3
Recorded Acres:	0.069
Calculated Acres:	0.069
Lottery Claims:	0
First Dollar:	No
Zoning:	(RR1) Residential/Recreational One
ESN:	445

Tax Districts Updated: 2/6/2007

1	State of Wisconsin
57	Sawyer County
002	Town of Bass Lake
572478	Hayward Community School District
001700	Technical College

Recorded Documents Updated: 8/28/2012

IN REM JUDGMENT	
Date Recorded: 8/23/2012	380313

Ownership Updated: 8/24/2017

SAWYER COUNTY	HAYWARD WI
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Billing Address:	Mailing Address:
SAWYER COUNTY	SAWYER COUNTY
10610 MAIN ST STE 10	10610 MAIN ST STE 10
HAYWARD WI 54843	HAYWARD WI 54843

Site Address * Indicates Private Road

N/A

Property Assessment Updated: 8/6/2013

2021 Assessment Detail			
Code	Acres	Land	Imp.
X3-EXEMPT COUNTY	0.069	0	0

2-Year Comparison	2020	2021	Change
Land:	0	0	0.0%
Improved:	0	0	0.0%
Total:	0	0	0.0%

Property History

N/A

SPRING 2021 SAWYER COUNTY TIMBER SALE

TRACT NO. 41-19	Red Oak	White Pine	Mix Hdw	Aspen	Basswood	Red Oak	Basswood				
Town of Spider Lake	350 Cords	190 Cords	170 Cords	20 Cords	20 Cords	50 MBF	3 MBF	Total Bid			
MINIMUM BID	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$200.00	\$100.00	\$22,300.00			
NO BIDS											
TRACT NO. 5-20	Mix Hdw	Basswood	Red Oak	Aspen	Mix Hdw	Basswood	Red Oak				
Town of Meteor	710 Cords	170 Cords	30 Cords	10 Cords	77 MBF	21 MBF	6 MBF	Total Bid			
MINIMUM BID	\$20.00	\$5.00	\$12.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$26,660.00			
Northwest Hardwoods	\$20.00	\$6.00	\$12.00	\$25.00	\$205.00	\$105.00	\$175.00				\$34,870.00
TRACT NO. 19-20	White Pine	Red Pine	Mix Hdw	Aspen							
Town of Lenroot	735 Cords	405 Cords	10 Cords	10 Cords	Total Bid						
MINIMUM BID	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$27,300.00						
Kron Forest Products	\$22.00	\$58.00	\$20.00	\$25.00							\$40,110.00
TRACT NO. 23-20	Mix Hdw	Basswood	Red Oak	Aspen	Mix Hdw	Basswood	Red Oak				
Town of Lenroot	270 Cords	95 Cords	50 Cords	30 Cords	19 MBF	11 MBF	10 MBF	Total Bid			
MINIMUM BID	\$20.00	\$5.00	\$12.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$12,225.00			
Kris Rasmussen Logging	\$20.00	\$7.00	\$12.00	\$25.00	\$105.00	\$100.00	\$200.00				\$12,510.00

TRACT NO. 29-20	Mix Hdw	Red Oak	Basswood	Red Oak	Mix Hdw	Basswood					Total Bid
Town of Edgewater	275 Cords	245 Cords	45 Cords	27 MBF	7 MBF	2 MBF					
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>					<u>\$14,965.00</u>
NO BIDS											
TRACT NO. 32-20	Mix Hdw	Red Oak	Basswood	Aspen	Red Oak	Mix Hdw	Hrd Maple	Basswood			Total Bid
Town of Meteor	950 Cords	300 Cords	240 Cords	215 Cords	53 MBF	31 MBF	21 MBF	19 MBF			
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>			<u>\$48,975.00</u>
Suzan logging	\$21.20	\$12.05	\$11.15	\$40.30	\$250.00	\$130.00	\$225.00	\$100.00			\$59,000.50
Northwest Hardwoods	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$6.00	\$26.00	\$275.00	\$200.00	\$275.00	\$100.00			\$58,080.00
TRACT NO. 35-20	Aspen	Basswood	Mix Hds								Total Bid
Town of Couderay	2250 Cords	70 Cords	40 Cords								
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>								<u>\$57,400.00</u>
Schloer Logging	\$67.00	\$8.00	\$20.00								\$152,110.00
Suzan logging	\$65.25	\$26.82	\$33.80								\$150,041.90
Futurewood	\$54.40	\$27.60	\$20.40								\$125,148.00
Theodore Strzok logging	\$54.00	\$30.00	\$15.00								\$124,200.00
VanDoorn Logging	\$48.00	\$20.00	\$20.00								\$110,200.00
Bruce Burmeister	\$45.00	\$15.00	\$24.00								\$103,260.00
Kinsley Forest Products	\$35.40	\$30.10	\$31.60								\$83,021.00
Dane Amundson	\$31.00	\$11.00	\$31.00								\$71,760.00
TRACT NO. 38-20	White Pine	Red Pine	Mix Hdw	Aspen	Balsam Fir	Red Oak	Red Oak				Total Bid
Town of Spider Lake	2300 Cords	540 Cords	200 Cords	160 Cords	100 Cords	80 Cords	4 MBF				
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>				<u>\$73,960.00</u>
Theodore Strzok Logging	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$25.00	\$35.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$250.00				\$113,960.00

TRACT NO. 40-20	Mix Hdw	Red Oak	Basswood	White Pine	Red Pine	Fir	Red Oak	Basswood	Mix Hdw	
Town of Spider Lake	400 Cords	320 Cords	90 Cords	70 Cords	60 Cords	20 Cords	84 MBF	13 MBF	11 MBF	Total Bid
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$35,090.00</u>
Park Falls Hardwoods	\$20.00	\$15.00	\$7.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$400.00	\$100.00	\$175.00	\$53,855.00
TRACT NO. 42-20	Red Pine	White Pine	Mix Hdw							Total Bid
Town of Spider Lake	680 Cords	150 Cords	10 Cords							
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>							<u>\$23,600.00</u>
Bell Timber Inc	\$61.07	\$25.00	\$20.00							\$45,477.60
Kron Forest Products	\$54.00	\$20.00	\$20.00							\$39,920.00
Biewer WI Sawmill Inc	\$48.67	\$20.00	\$20.00							\$36,295.60
VanDoorn Logging	\$40.00	\$40.00	\$20.00							\$33,400.00
Dane Amundson	\$41.00	\$25.00	\$25.00							\$31,880.00
Potlatch Deltic LLC	\$38.66	\$20.00	\$20.00							\$29,488.80
TRACT NO. 1-21	Aspen	Mix Hdw	Wt Spruce	Basswood	Mix Hdw	Basswood				Total Bid
Town of Draper	570 Cords	250 Cords	190 Cords	30 Cords	15 MBF	4 MBF				
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$180.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>				<u>\$25,100.00</u>
Schloer Logging LLC	\$67.00	\$20.00	\$28.00	\$5.00	\$180.00	\$155.00				\$51,980.00
Suzan Logging	\$48.15	\$25.70	\$17.40	\$19.40	\$175.00	\$101.00				\$40,787.50
Richard Hoeft	\$40.00	\$30.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$150.00	\$100.00				\$39,250.00
Futurewood	\$34.50	\$20.26	\$20.70	\$20.00	\$125.00	\$100.00				\$31,538.00
Nothern Timber LLC	\$33.00	\$22.00	\$20.00	\$8.00	\$100.00	\$100.00				\$30,250.00
Kinsley Forest Products	\$30.50	\$25.10	\$21.50	\$20.10	\$110.00	\$110.00				\$30,438.00
VanDoorn Logging	\$28.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$20.00	\$100.00	\$0.00				\$27,810.00
TRACT NO. 2-21	Aspen	Mix Hdw								Total Bid
Town of Lenroot	2110 Cords	10 Cords								
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>								<u>\$52,950.00</u>
Fornengo Forest Products	\$78.20	\$28.60								\$165,288.00
Futurewood	\$78.04	\$20.88								\$164,873.20
Suzan Logging	\$76.75	\$36.50								\$162,307.50
Schloer Logging LLC	\$68.00	\$20.00								\$143,680.00
Dane Amundson	\$52.00	\$52.00								\$110,240.00
VanDoorn Logging	\$47.00	\$20.00								\$99,370.00
Northern Timber LLC	\$45.00	\$23.00								\$95,180.00
Kinsley Forest Products	\$25.20	\$20.10								\$53,373.00

TRACT NO. 3-21										
Town of Round Lake		Aspen 390 Cords	Red Pine 350 Cords	Wht Pine 150 Cords	Basswood 130 Cords	Mix Hdw 30 Cords	Oak 30 Cords			
MINIMUM BID		<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>			
Northern Timber LLC		\$40.00	\$30.00	\$20.00	\$8.00	\$21.00	\$12.00			\$31,130.00
Futurewood		\$27.60	\$31.20	\$20.70	\$20.00	\$21.60	\$13.00			\$28,427.00
TRACT NO. 4-21										
Town of Winter		Aspen 975 Cords	Mix Hdw 125 Cords							
MINIMUM BID		<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>							
Futurewood		\$70.73	\$21.05							\$71,593.00
Suzan Logging		\$62.35	\$28.25							\$64,322.50
Schloer Logging LLC		\$63.00	\$20.00							\$63,925.00
Lake States Timber		\$52.00	\$20.00							\$53,200.00
Bruce Burmeister		\$45.00	\$24.00							\$46,875.00
Richard Hoeft		\$40.10	\$40.10							\$44,110.00
VanDoorn Logging		\$38.00	\$20.00							\$39,550.00
Kinsley Forest Products		\$35.10	\$30.10							\$37,985.00
Northern Timber LLC		\$30.00	\$20.00							\$31,750.00
TRACT NO. 6-21										
Town of Hayward		Red Oak 160 Cords	Mix Hdw 120 Cords	Basswood 50 Cords	Wht Pine 30 Cords	Red Pine 20 Cords	Red Oak 40 MBF	Mix Hdw 5 MBF	Basswood 4 MBF	
MINIMUM BID		<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	
Richard Hoeft		\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$20.00	\$30.00	\$250.00	\$150.00	\$100.00	\$18,950.00
TRACT NO. 7-21										
Town of Hayward		Aspen 2050 Cords	Mix Hdw 125 Cords	Basswood 40 Cords						
MINIMUM BID		<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>						
Schloer Logging LLC		\$80.00	\$20.00	\$5.00						\$166,700.00
Theodore Strzok Logging		\$73.00	\$40.00	\$20.00						\$155,450.00
Fornengo Forest Products		\$73.60	\$28.60	\$21.00						\$155,295.00
Suzan Logging		\$68.80	\$40.50	\$25.25						\$147,112.50
Robert Warder Logging		\$68.20	\$20.00	\$10.00						\$142,710.00
Futurewood		\$58.72	\$21.60	\$20.70						\$123,904.00
Northern Timber LLC		\$50.00	\$33.00	\$15.00						\$107,225.00
Bruce Burmeister		\$47.00	\$24.00	\$15.00						\$99,950.00
Kinsley Forest Products		\$36.40	\$30.10	\$30.10						\$79,586.50

TRACT NO. 8-21	Red Pine	Wht Pine	Aspen	Basswood	Mix Hds							
Town of Round Lake	320 Cords	275 Cords	90 Cords	10 Cords	10 Cords							
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>							Total Bid
Kron Forest Products	\$56.00	\$22.00	\$25.00	\$5.00	\$20.00							\$26,470.00
Suzan Logging	\$42.10	\$24.55	\$40.35	\$12.20	\$18.05							\$24,157.25
TRACT NO. 9-21	Aspen	Mix Hwd										
Town of Meteor	950 Cords	60 Cords										Total Bid
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>										<u>\$24,950.00</u>
Suzan Logging LLC	\$39.15	\$21.05										\$38,455.50
Futurewood	\$34.50	\$20.26										\$33,990.60
Bruce Burmeister	\$31.00	\$21.00										\$30,710.00
Dane Amundson	\$28.00	\$28.00										\$28,280.00
TRACT NO. 10-21	Aspen	Mix Hdw	Basswood									
Town of Winter	3130 Cords	285 Cords	70 Cords									Total Bid
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>									<u>\$84,300.00</u>
Schloer Logging	\$41.00	\$20.00	\$6.00									\$134,450.00
Robert Warder Logging	\$38.50	\$20.00	\$5.00									\$126,555.00
Suzan Logging	\$37.10	\$20.00	\$12.10									\$122,670.00
Futurewood	\$36.80	\$20.02	\$6.90									\$121,372.70
VanDoorn Logging	\$36.00	\$20.00	\$20.00									\$119,780.00
Bruce Burmeister	\$32.00	\$21.00	\$15.00									\$107,195.00
Kinsley Forest Products	\$26.10	\$20.60	\$15.50									\$88,649.00
TRACT NO. 11-21	Red Oak	Mix Hdw	Basswood	Red Oak	Basswood	Mix Hdw	Hd Maple					
Town of Lenroot	830 Cords	400 Cords	110 Cords	145 MBF	27 MBF	8 MBF	2 MBF					Total Bid
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>					<u>\$51,410.00</u>
Park Falls Hardwoods	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$7.00	\$380.00	\$110.00	\$150.00	\$225.00					\$78,450.00
Theodore Strzok Logging	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$8.00	\$350.00	\$100.00	\$200.00	\$200.00					\$76,780.00
Ashland Mat LLC	\$12.06	\$23.69	\$9.15	\$343.15	\$129.38	\$211.48	\$332.21					\$76,098.57

TRACT NO. 12-21	Aspen	Mix Hdw	Basswood								
Town of Edgewater	2420 Cords	80 Cords	10 Cords								
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>								Total Bid
Theodore Strzok Logging	\$78.75	\$43.00	\$25.00								\$194,265.00
Futurewood	\$78.82	\$20.74	\$5.78								\$192,461.40
Schloer Logging LLC	\$73.00	\$20.00	\$5.00								\$178,310.00
Fornengo Forest Products	\$72.00	\$28.60	\$21.00								\$176,738.00
Robert Warder Logging	\$66.70	\$20.00	\$5.00								\$163,064.00
Suzan Logging	\$65.25	\$47.25	\$27.25								\$161,957.50
VanDoorn Logging	\$64.00	\$20.00	\$20.00								\$156,680.00
Bruce Burmeister	\$47.00	\$22.00	\$15.00								\$115,650.00
Northern Timbrt LLC	\$43.00	\$23.00	\$12.00								\$106,020.00
TRACT NO. 13-21	Mix Hds	Basswood	Aspen	Basswood	Mix Hdw	Maple					
Town of Lenroot	420 Cords	360 Cords	70 Cords	64 MBF	7 MBF	6 MBF					
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>					Total Bid
Dane Aumundson	\$21.00	\$6.00	\$25.00	\$100.00	\$100.00	\$200.00					\$21,030.00
TRACT NO. 14-21	White Pine	Red Pine	Mix Hdw	Red Oak	Spruce	Aspen	Jack Pine	Red Oak			
Town of Lenroot	1000 Cords	300 Cords	280 Cords	120 Cords	120 Cords	100 Cords	30 Cords	10 MBF			
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$19.80</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>			Total Bid
Theodore Strzok Logging	\$35.00	\$35.00	\$24.00	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$35.00	\$24.00	\$250.00			\$63,140.00
Robert Warder Logging	\$25.00	\$35.00	\$20.00	\$12.00	\$20.00	\$25.00	\$19.80	\$200.00			\$50,034.00
TRACT NO. 15-21	Red Pine	White Pine									
Town of Round Lake	375 Cords	140 Cords									
MINIMUM BID	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>									Total Bid
Bell Timber Inc	\$61.00	\$23.00									\$26,095.00
Kron Forest Products	\$58.00	\$20.00									\$24,550.00
Suzan Logging	\$51.30	\$34.15									\$24,018.50
Dane Amunson	\$50.00	\$30.00									\$22,950.00
Biewer WI Sawmill	\$48.92	\$20.00									\$21,145.00
Potlatch Deltic LLC	\$45.75	\$20.00									\$19,956.25
VanDoorn Logging	\$35.00	\$35.00									\$18,025.00

TRACT NO. 16-21	Red Oak	Mix Hdw	Basswood	Aspen	Red Pine	Red Oak	Mix Hdw	Basswood		
Town of Edgewater	280 Cords	150 Cords	20 Cords	10 Cords	10 Cords	42 MBF	5 MBF	1 MBF		Total Bid
<u>MINIMUM BID</u>	<u>\$12.00</u>	<u>\$20.00</u>	<u>\$5.00</u>	<u>\$25.00</u>	<u>\$30.00</u>	<u>\$200.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>	<u>\$100.00</u>		<u>\$16,010.00</u>
Park Falls Hardwoods	\$15.00	\$20.00	\$5.00	\$25.00	\$30.00	\$305.00	\$175.00	\$100.00		\$21,635.00

Sawyer County Forest-Bid Results May 7,2021

25 tracts offered
 23 tracts sold
 1835 acres
 29,470 cords pulpwood
 765 mbf sawlogs
\$1,621,524.60 total sold value

						Past Bid Results				
Species	Product	volume Cords	# Tracts	Weighted Avg. Winning Bids		20-Nov weighted avg	20-May weighted avg	19-Nov weighted avg	19-May weighted avg	18-Apr weighted avg
Aspen	pulp	13,430	18	\$63.18	+5%	\$59.97	\$53.29	\$55.03	\$60.55	\$59.05
MX Hdwd	pulp	4,875	22	\$22.09	-5%	\$23.14	\$25.23	\$32.79	\$29.23	\$30.88
White Birch	pulp	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Basswood	pulp	1495	15	\$7.82	-39%	\$12.83	\$14.78	\$23.71	\$18.74	\$17.33
Red oak	pulp	2200	10	\$11.80	-47%	\$22.18	\$15.69	\$24.28	\$14.25	\$18.01
Fir	pulp	120	2	\$20.00	-3%	\$20.70	\$20.00	\$21.00	\$21.21	\$21.80
Red pine	pulp	3060	10	\$48.40	+56%	\$31.00	\$56.99	\$46.00	\$49.37	\$51.12
White Pine	pulp	3950	9	\$30.98	+48%	\$21.00	\$28.40	\$42.06	\$31.21	\$30.63
Tamarack	pulp	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	\$15.00	N/A	N/A	N/A
White Spruce	pulp	310	2	\$24.90	+25%	N/A	\$20.00	N/A	\$28.00	\$32.12
Black Spruce	pulp	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Jack Pine	pulp	30	1	\$24.00	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

						Past Bid Results				
Species	Product	MBF	# Tracts	Weighted Avg. Winning Bids		20-Nov weighted avg	20-May weighted avg	20-May weighted avg	19-May weighted avg	18-Apr weighted avg
MX Hdwd	logs	178	9	168.31	+25%	\$135.03	\$137.94	\$149.63	\$193.47	\$148.20
Red Oak	logs	394	9	333.27	+12%	\$298.51	\$268.54	\$242.66	\$348.47	\$305.83
Hard Maple	logs	29	3	219.83	+1%	\$217.81	\$253.13	\$252.07	\$427.00	\$238.08
Basswood	logs	164	9	103.63	-5%	\$109.56	\$125.30	\$127.95	\$143.56	\$139.41
White Pine	logs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Red Pine	logs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Ash	logs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Resolution _____

**RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AN INCREASE TO THE 2020 SAWYER COUNTY
ATV-SNOWMOBILE PROJECTS BUDGET FOR THE PURCHASE OF A UTILITY TRACTOR**

WHEREAS, the Sawyer County Forestry Department is requesting approval to purchase a new tractor for trail maintenance; and,

WHEREAS, the existing tractor is old and does not provide a rollover protection system or seatbelts as required for employee safety; and,

WHEREAS, the Forestry Department recommends purchasing a Kubota Utility Tractor with attachments at a cost of \$19,500 and trading in the old tractor and receiving \$5,500.00 trade allowance; and,

WHEREAS, the Sawyer County Land, Water & Forest Resources Committee recommends approval of the equipment purchase; and,

WHEREAS, these funds are not currently included in the 2021 forestry department budget.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors approves increasing the 2021 ATV-Snowmobile budget and using fund balance for the tractor purchase.

FISCAL IMPACT: Fund Balance Applied – Up to \$14,500.00

Recommended for approval by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on May 20, 2021 by the Land, Water & Forest Resources Committee at its meeting on May 12, 2021 as to the need of the equipment.

Bruce Paulsen, Chair

Ron Buckholtz, Vice Chair

Marc Helwig, Member

Jesse Boettcher, Member

Brian Bisonette, Member

37 Recommended for approval by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors at its meeting on May 20, 2021
38 by the Finance Committee at its meeting on May 13, 2021 as to the financing of the equipment.

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40 Bruce Paulsen, Chair

Ron Kinsley, Vice Chair

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42 Thomas Duffy, Member

Dawn Petit, Member

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44 Stacey Hessel, Member

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46 This Resolution is hereby adopted by the Sawyer County Board of Supervisors this 20th day of
47 May, 2021.

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50 Tweed Shuman,
51 Sawyer County Board of Supervisors Chairman

Lynn Fitch,
Sawyer County Clerk

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TruNorth Solar LLC
BC639643; EA692751
3735 Dunlap St. N
Arden Hills, MN 55112
www.TruNorthSolar.com

Solar Electric System Proposal

Apr 30, 2021

System Size:

24.940 DC KW (STC)

Est. Offset (1st Year):

131 %

Prepared For:

ABSF - OO

Phone: (715) 558-5355

Email: jim.sokup@birkie.com

Project Site:

12205 County OO
Hayward, WI 54843





Pride of the Ojibwe

13394 W Trepania Road . Hayward . Wisconsin . 54843
Phone 715-634-8934 . Fax 715-634-4797

RESOLUTION NO. _____

Support for Sawyer County Government ATV/UTV Trails Aids Application

Trail #29, Trail #3, Trail #9

WHEREAS, the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians ("Tribe ") is a federally recognized Indian Tribe organized pursuant to the provisions of the Indian Reorganization Act of 1934, 25 U.S.C. §461 , *et seq.*; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Governing Board serves as the governing body of Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians pursuant to Article III, Section 1 of the Amended Constitution and Bylaws of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians; and

WHEREAS, pursuant to Article V, Section 1(c), the Tribal Governing Board has the authority to "negotiate, make and perform contracts and agreements of every description, not inconsistent with law or with provisions of this Constitution, with any person, association, or corporation, with any county, or with the State of Wisconsin or the United States"; and

WHEREAS, the Lac Courte Oreilles Tribe acknowledges ATV/UTV travel presents tremendous opportunities for tourism to the Lac Courte Oreilles and Sawyer County area; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Governing Board recognizes the Tribal and Sawyer County economic benefits of maintaining a trail system that facilitates safe ATV/UTV travel experiences; and

WHEREAS, the Tribal Governing Board supports Sawyer County Forestry Departments
ATV/UTV Trails Aids application submission to the Wisconsin Department
of Natural Resources; and

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED that the Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Governing Board
hereby supports the Sawyer County Government submission of the FY 2021 ATV/UTV Trails
Aids application for trail maintenance funding on Trail #29, Trail #3 and Trail #9 to the
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT FINALLY RESOLVED; that the Chairperson and Secretary-
Treasurer of the Tribal Governing Board are hereby authorized to sign any relative documents
for and on behalf of the Lac Courte Oreilles Band of Lake Superior Chippewa Indians.

CERTIFICATION

I, the undersigned, as Secretary-Treasurer of the Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Governing Board,
hereby certify that the Tribal Governing Board is composed of (7) members, of whom ___ being
present, constituted a quorum at a meeting thereof, duly called, convened and held on this ___ day
of April 2021; that the foregoing resolution was duly adopted at said meeting by an affirmative
vote of ___ members, ___ against, ___ abstaining, and that said Resolution has not been rescinded or
amended in any way.

Michell Beaudin, Secretary-Treasurer

Lac Courte Oreilles Tribal Governing Board

Forestry Report April 2021

Active Sales

3 sales listed as active in month of April

Sale Date	# of Sales	Acres	Bid Value	Received	Est. Remaining
4/13/16	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11/4/16	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4/7/17	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11/3/17	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
4/6/18	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11/2/18	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
5/3/19	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
11/01/19	1	64	\$95,696.00	\$0	\$95,696.00
5/5/20	2	172	\$120,430.00	\$0	\$120,430.00
11/3/20	0	0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Totals	3	236	\$216,126.00	\$0	\$216,126.00

Inactive Sales

Sale Date	# of Sales	Acres	Bid Value	Received	Est. Remaining
4/13/16	2	130	\$130,495.00	\$129,208.85	\$31,347.00*
11/4/16	2	133	\$69,395.00	\$24,329.91	\$45,065.09
4/7/17	4	443	\$153,790.00	\$73,725.13	\$89,566.79*
11/3/17	5	546	\$280,426.00	\$27,925.86	\$252,500.14
4/6/18	7	597	\$357,161.50	\$388,701.76	\$50,761.25*
11/2/18	6	446	\$391,779.35	\$348,303.18	\$111,320.93*
5/3/19	11	1029	\$466,956.45	\$207,993.37	\$272,410.08
11/01/19	11	744	\$531,661.64	\$168,523.10	\$373,643.23*
5/5/20	14	983	\$663,389.82	\$195,036.19	\$477,984.37*
11/3/20	14	1241	\$1,222,625.10	\$213,271.81	\$1,009,353.29
Totals	76	6292	\$4,267,679.86	\$1,777,019.16	\$2,704,321.43

* Sales having overruns

** Sales having underruns

1 sale closed out in April.

Timber Sale Value (sold contracts-uncut) on file = \$2,920,447.43

<u>Timber Sale Revenue</u>	<u>April</u>	<u>YTD</u>
	\$79,715.16	\$964,842.26
<u>Christmas Trees/Boughs</u>	\$0	\$0
<u>Performance Bond Cashed</u>	\$0	\$0
<u>Other Revenue</u>		
<u>Camping/Firewood/Access/Hay</u>	\$0	\$0
<u>Park Reservations</u>	\$0	\$0
		<u>Budget</u>
Gross Timber Sale Revenue	\$964,842.26	\$1,850,000
10% Payment to Towns	\$96,484.23	
Net Timber Sale Revenue	\$868,358.03	
Total Other Revenue	\$0	
Timber Sale Revenue Billed Out	\$96,422.51	

Timber Sale Inspections	<u># month</u>	<u>YTD</u>
	3	83

Comments: Goal for timber sale inspections is generally one inspection per week while sale is actively being harvested or wood is being hauled.

Tract Establishment	<u># sales month/ YTD</u>	<u>acres month/YTD</u>	<u>Goal</u>
	0/23	0/1750	3600

Comments: Timber Sale bid opening May 7.

Recon Acres Updated	<u>April</u>	<u>YTD</u>	<u>Annual Goal</u>
	312	1775	6,000 acres

Comments: Recon is the assessment of geographic, structure and compositional attributes of forest stands. Field information is stored in the Wisconsin Forest Inventory & Reporting System (WisFIRS). Basic resource information is collected, stored and updated systematically and continuously. Database is used to analyze existing resources,

evaluate management alternatives and assist in the development and implementation of management plans.

<u>Good Neighbor Authority (GNA) Hours</u>	
<u>April</u>	<u>YTD</u>
86	529
Current Contracts:	
Sawyer County – DNR FY21 Sale Administration	
Approximately 263 hours timber sale admin. \$17,858.87.	
Sawyer County – DNR FY21 Stands. Approximately 615 hours timber establishment activities \$41,328.16.	
Submitted partial reimbursement request for DNR FY21 sale administration for contract work performed between 7/1/20 and 12/31/20, totaling \$3,784.93.	
Submitted partial reimbursement request for DNR FY21 Stands for contract work performed between 7/1/20 and 12/31/21, totaling \$7,514.78.	

Comments: Under the federal Good Neighbor Authority, the USDA Forest Service is authorized to enter into cooperative agreements with states to perform forest management activities on national forest lands. WDNR has entered into a GNA agreement with the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest (CNNF). WDNR is authorized to contract with counties to assist with forest management activities on national forest lands. The focus of the GNA program is to assist in the implementation of the CNNF Forest Plan, which will provide:

- Forest products to the local economy
- Collaboration between federal, state and county forest managers
- Improved health and resiliency of forestlands and watersheds within Wisconsin

<u>Oak Wilt:</u> Nothing new to report.
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<u>Emerald Ash Borer:</u> Traps collected.

<u>Mountain Bike Trails:</u> Singletrack trails opened for the season as of 4/23/21
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<u>Birkie Trail:</u> Nothing new to report.
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ATV/UTV/Snowmobile Trails:

ATV/UTV trails opened for the season as of 4/28/21.

Rehab trail project bid packets out, proposals due by May 28, 2021.

Parks:

Hatchery Park: Nothing new to report.

Nelson Lake Park: Nothing new to report.

Other:

Completed approximately 40-acre prescribed burn along Thornapple River in the Town of Winter. Second burn at the site, purpose of the burn is to establish oak savannah/barrens area approximately 66 acres in size.

Sawyer County Land, Water & Forest Resources Committee
May 12th, 2021
DNR Forestry Report

Wildlife, Fisheries & Parks:

PARKS: *Winter Depot:* Friends of the Tuscobia Trail will be operating the Winter Depot on a limited basis. Bathrooms will be open soon to help make this facility a functional trailhead.

FISHERIES: Netting has been completed and shocking will begin soon. Nelson Lake is scheduled to be surveyed to evaluate the effects of the winter drawdown on fish populations. Other information to pass along is stocking of walleye and musky will take place this year in Sawyer County. Last year stocking of musky did not occur because of COVID-19 restrictions. The DNR was not able to go out and collect eggs to hatch in the state fish hatcheries.

WILDLIFE: *Elk:* Twenty-three Elk were re-located from Rusk County to the Clam Lake area. The primary focus of the move was to enhance genetic diversity. This project fulfills the last obligation to the Kentucky Translocation Project. The animals were released April 5th.

The DNR will be installing 21 new Elk Crossing Signs primarily on State Highway 77, County Highways S, W and M. The Sawyer County Highway Department will be doing the work. DNR is paying for labor and materials with grant money. Other signs will be posted in Ashland, Rusk and Bayfield Counties bringing the total number of new signs posted to 40.

Natural Resources Board: The next meeting of the Natural Resources Board will be May 25-26th in Madison. Items of interest to be discussed will be: Elk management plan, harvest quotas for the upcoming Elk season, and decision points on the Wolf management plan. The website for the Natural Resources Board is: <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/about/NRB> where meeting information is posted.

Other Wildlife Information: Surveys are currently in-progress to determine population trends for Ruffed Grouse and Woodcock.

Forestry:

Prescribed Burns: One burn was completed for a total of 66 acres. The area treated was Thornapple Units 1-3 located near the Thornapple Grade. The purpose of the project was to create openings beneficial to wildlife.

Fire Suppression: As of this writing (5/3/2021), there have been 12 fires this Spring in Sawyer County. Total acreage burned is approximately 12 acres. Locally the season is expected to

continue for at least the next two weeks. Statewide, the fire season has been active. Green-up conditions have started to occur in the southern part of the state.

Timber sale establishment: Tree marking is currently in-progress on a 57 acre stand of red oak in the Seeley Hills. The stand is being marked for thinning and should be wrapped up by the end of next week (5/14/2021).

Conservation Department Update May 2021

Prepared by Jay Kozlowski, Zoning & Conservation Administrator

- Nelson Lake stop log replacement. Not only still we assist this last fall with the DNR draw down of Nelson lake we also were able to fit in a dam inspection and a much needed replacement of the stop logs for this dam.
- The Conservation Department presented its 5-year plan review to DATCP which was recommended for approval to the State Land & Water Board
- 6 onsite inspections were conducted by Tim Seidl for compliance checks and discussions for new erosion control plans.
- 3 onsite inspections were conducted by Kelly Nechuta who will also be starting to do additional mitigation checks in reference to approved Zoning Land Use Permits. (Certain projects require additional mitigation measures)
- Spring Tree Sale is complete with great success.
- Working on septic permit history errors within database