



MICHIGAN DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

INTEROFFICE COMMUNICATION

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To: NLP Unit Managers, Foresters, Forest Technicians

From: Laurie Marzolo, (former) Inventory Specialist

Re: Inventory on US Fish and Wildlife Service Lands

For many years, the DNR has inventoried some US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) lands that are adjacent to state forest lands in designated Kirtland's Warbler Management Areas. These are generally lands that were purchased for Kirtland's Warbler management in the northern lower peninsula. In OI, these are designated as 900 series stands. In the past, these were treatments discussed in the compartment review process by the DNR and carried out by USFWS personnel.

The DNR will no longer be including those lands in Operations Inventory or IFMAP inventories, beginning with the 2008 Year of Entry. USFWS will do all land assessment and timber sale preparation/administration. This will not change any regeneration agreements.

In order to continue coordination of treatments on both ownerships, Units should include the USFWS Regule Manager or his designee at Seney National Wildlife Refuge, Seney, MI on all notification lists for compartment reviews and open houses, especially when USFWS lands are in close proximity to DNR Compartments. The USFWS can and should also obtain those dates from the internet, but direct communications are essential for successful KW management on both ownerships.

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