Land Exam and Practices Report

Primary Owner	MFL Number	County	Municipality	Certified
FREDERICK CUSHING S2092 BIG VALLEY RD LA FARGE, WI 54639-7605 (608) 489-2447	63-020-2005	Vernon	Town of Whitestown	Yes
	Entry Year	**Length**	**Expiration Date**	
	2005	25 Years	12/31/2029	
	Property Goals			
	Miscellaneous			

Stand Number 1

1. Productivity	PRODUCTIVE 80% - Productive and meets minimum stocking		
2. Stand Prefix			
3. Exam Date	01/01/2004		
4. Current Age Structure	Two-Aged		
5. Future/Desired Age Structure			
6. Cover Type - Primary	Oak	15+	2
7. Cover Type - Secondary	Northern Hardwoods	0-5	3
8. Cover Type - Understory			
9. Acres	4		
10. Year of Origin	1900		
11. Desired Rotation Age			
12. Total Height	75		
13. Mean Stand Diameter	17		
14. Site Index & Species	55 - Oak, White		
15. Total Basal Area	66		
16. Total Volume-Cds/Acre	4		
17. Total Volume-BF/Acre	3380		
18. Seedling/Saplings Per Acre			
19. % Acceptable Growing Stock			
20. % Unacceptable Growing Stock			
21. Browse Level			

22. Tree Species	**Species**	**BA**	**Cords**	**BF**
1st Major Tree Species	Oak, White	66	4	3,380
2nd Major Tree Species				
3rd Major Tree Species				
4thMajor Tree Species				

23. Invasive Level	Not Evaluated (Old Recon)		
	Species	**Density**	**Impact**
1st Invasive Species			
2nd Invasive Species			
3rd Invasive Species			
4th Invasive Species			

24. Soil Type	Loam (may include silt loam or silt)
25. Site Limitations	
26. Last Changed	2/4/2022 12:10:49 PM

27. Management Objective
Natural Conversion to NORTHERN HARDWOODS

28. Stand Goals

Mandatory Practice

N = Cutting Notice Received R = Cutting Report Received

Non-Mandatory Practice

	Practice	Year	Status
	TSI Thinning - Old Code, Do Not Use	ANY	Planned

Stand History

Stand Conditions, Special Features, and Characteristics

Stand Number: 1
This stand is a combination of 2 identical Plantrac stands in different TRS (14-02W-25,14-02W-26).

Primary Owner	MFL Number	County	Municipality	Certified
FREDERICK CUSHING S2092 BIG VALLEY RD LA FARGE, WI 54639-7605 (608) 489-2447	63-020-2005	Vernon	Town of Whitestown	Yes
	Entry Year	**Length**	**Expiration Date**	
	2005	25 Years	12/31/2029	
	Property Goals			
	Miscellaneous			

Stand Number 2

1. Productivity	PRODUCTIVE 80% - Productive and meets minimum stocking		
2. Stand Prefix			
3. Exam Date	01/01/2004		
4. Current Age Structure	Uneven-Aged		
5. Future/Desired Age Structure			
6. Cover Type - Primary	Northern Hardwoods	5-11	2
7. Cover Type - Secondary	Northern Hardwoods	0-5	3
8. Cover Type - Understory			
9. Acres	18		
10. Year of Origin			
11. Desired Rotation Age			
12. Total Height	0		
13. Mean Stand Diameter	6		
14. Site Index & Species			
15. Total Basal Area	80		
16. Total Volume-Cds/Acre	8		
17. Total Volume-BF/Acre	0		
18. Seedling/Saplings Per Acre			
19. % Acceptable Growing Stock			
20. % Unacceptable Growing Stock			
21. Browse Level			

22. Tree Species	**Species**	**BA**	**Cords**	**BF**
1st Major Tree Species	Maple, Other	80	8	0
2nd Major Tree Species				
3rd Major Tree Species				
4thMajor Tree Species				

23. Invasive Level	Not Evaluated (Old Recon)		
	Species	**Density**	**Impact**
1st Invasive Species			
2nd Invasive Species			
3rd Invasive Species			
4th Invasive Species			

24. Soil Type	Sandy Loam
25. Site Limitations	
26. Last Changed	2/4/2022 12:12:56 PM

27. Management Objective
Natural even-aged regeneration of Timber Type with future thinning; Old Code, Recode

28. Stand Goals

Mandatory Practice

N = Cutting Notice Received R = Cutting Report Received

Non-Mandatory Practice

	Practice	Year	Status
	Sanitation and Salvage Cutting - Ol	2020	Services Accepted
	TSI Thinning - Old Code, Do Not Use	ANY	Planned

Stand History

Stand Conditions, Special Features, and Characteristics

Stand Number: 2
This stand is a combination of 2 identical Plantrac stands in different TRS (14-02W-25,14-02W-26).

Primary Owner	MFL Number	County	Municipality	Certified
FREDERICK CUSHING S2092 BIG VALLEY RD LA FARGE, WI 54639-7605 (608) 489-2447	63-020-2005	Vernon	Town of Whitestown	Yes
	Entry Year	**Length**	**Expiration Date**	
	2005	25 Years	12/31/2029	
	Property Goals			
	Miscellaneous			

Stand Number 3

1. Productivity	PRODUCTIVE 80% - Productive and meets minimum stocking		
2. Stand Prefix			
3. Exam Date	01/01/2004		
4. Current Age Structure	Even-Aged		
5. Future/Desired Age Structure			
6. Cover Type - Primary	Oak	11-15	1
7. Cover Type - Secondary	Oak	5-11	1
8. Cover Type - Understory			
9. Acres	5		
10. Year of Origin	1910		
11. Desired Rotation Age			
12. Total Height	53		
13. Mean Stand Diameter	14		
14. Site Index & Species	40 - Oak, Other		
15. Total Basal Area	35		
16. Total Volume-Cds/Acre	3		
17. Total Volume-BF/Acre	1000		
18. Seedling/Saplings Per Acre			
19. % Acceptable Growing Stock			
20. % Unacceptable Growing Stock			
21. Browse Level			

22. Tree Species	**Species**	**BA**	**Cords**	**BF**
1st Major Tree Species	Oak, Other	35	3	1,000
2nd Major Tree Species				
3rd Major Tree Species				
4thMajor Tree Species				

23. Invasive Level	Not Evaluated (Old Recon)		
	Species	**Density**	**Impact**
1st Invasive Species			
2nd Invasive Species			
3rd Invasive Species			
4th Invasive Species			

24. Soil Type	Loam (may include silt loam or silt)
25. Site Limitations	
26. Last Changed	2/4/2022 12:15:11 PM

27. Management Objective
Natural even-aged regeneration of Timber Type without future thinning; Old Code, Recode

28. Stand Goals

Mandatory Practice

N = Cutting Notice Received R = Cutting Report Received

	Practice	Year	Status
	None Expected		Planned

Non-Mandatory Practice

	Practice	Year	Status
	TSI Thinning - Old Code, Do Not Use	ANY	Planned

Stand History

Stand Conditions, Special Features, and Characteristics

Stand Number: 3

MANAGED FOREST LANDS
STEWARDSHIP FORESTRY PLAN

Landowner(s) as Shown on Deed:

FREDERICK CUSHING, SUSAN CUSHING

Name and Address of Contact Person:

FREDERICK CUSHING

S2092 BIG VALLEY RD
LA FARGE, WI 54639-7605

Entry Period: 25 years **Starting** January 1, 2005 **Ending** December 31, 2029

Municipality(s): Town of Whitestown (Vernon County) **Total Acres:** 27.000

Attached map(s) show the location of Managed Forest Lands and the areas open or closed to public access.

Purpose and Expectations of the MFL Program

The purpose of the Managed Forest Land Law is to encourage the management of private forestlands for the production of future forest crops for commercial use through sound forestry practices, recognizing the objectives of individual property owners, compatible recreational uses, watershed protection, and development of wildlife habitat and accessibility of private property to the public for recreational purposes. Landowners who enroll in the MFL program pay a reduced property tax (acreage share tax). Landowners who close lands to public access pay an additional closed acreage fee. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) adjusts acreage share taxes and closed acreage fees every five years.

"Sound forestry practices" means timber cutting, transporting and forest cultural methods, recommended or approved by the department for the effective propagation and improvement of the various timber types common to Wisconsin. "Sound Forestry Practices" also may include, where consistent with landowner objectives and approved by the department, the management of forest resources other than trees including wildlife habitat, watersheds, aesthetics and endangered and threatened plant and animal species. The law prohibits the use of Managed Forest Lands for commercial recreation, industry, human residence, grazing of domestic livestock, or other uses the WDNR deems incompatible with the practice of forestry.

Management Plan

Your management plan identifies important program requirements and management practices prescribed for your property. The plan writer determines management practices based on stand conditions of your timber and site capability of your land. The plan writer prescribes a completion year for each mandatory practice. WDNR enters that year into their computer system and will remind you of mandatory practices one year prior to the completion date. The plan writer also recommends approved practices (non-mandatory), which you may complete at your discretion.

Your management plan is just one component of Wisconsin's strategy to promote, support and monitor sustainable forestry practices on privately owned lands. Other resources are available to provide you with the most current information available on natural resources management. You can access those resources on the WDNR public website using the addresses referenced in this plan. You are encouraged to consult this information regularly.

Contact your local Tax Law Forest Specialist for information about:

- **Requirements of the Managed Forest Law.**
- **The sale or transfer of Managed Forest Law lands to other owners.**

Management Plan Amendment

Your Tax Law Forestry Specialist will monitor your management plan throughout the MFL entry period to address concerns that are newly present or newly identified since the effective date of your plan. Management plan amendments may be recommended to maintain compliance with the provisions of subch. VI of ch. 77, Stats. and ch. NR 46 and in accordance with sound forestry. Amendments could be needed for a number of reasons, not limited to, changes in tree species, tree stocking, damage from weather (wind, ice, snow), insects and disease, forest fire, flooding, land management goals, new management information (silvicultural science), invasive species, fire management, riparian management zones, or presence of endangered, threatened or high conservation value species or communities. Amendments may include additional management activities or monitoring to ensure successful regeneration after a harvest. Amendments must be mutually agreed upon by you and the WDNR.

Landowner Goals

Your management plan blends your goals with site capabilities and MFL program requirements to guide your land management. You identified the following as your goals:

- Miscellaneous - Other - Timber/Aesthetics.

Mandatory Practices

Mandatory practices must be completed or in progress by the end of the year listed below. You are encouraged to work with a cooperating forester to establish and administer timber sales. Use the Forestry Assistance Locator to find a cooperating forester; go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest Landowner'.

Mandatory Practices Summary				
YEAR	**STAND(S)**	**ACRES**	**TIMBER TYPE**	**PRACTICE**
				No mandatory practices are scheduled.

Cutting Notice

A Cutting Notice and Report (Form 2450-032) is required to be submitted to the Tax Law Forestry Specialist at least 30 days before a timber harvest occurs. This notice and report ensures that the harvesting of trees complies with the landowner's forest management plan and is consistent with sound forestry practices that are within the guidelines of the Department of Natural Resources Silviculture Handbook and the Forest Management Guidelines. To read these publications go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search "Forest Management".

Additionally, landowners must file a separate county cutting notice with the county clerk prior to any harvest.

Cutting Report

A Cutting Notice and Report (Form 2450-032) is required to be submitted to the DNR within 30 days of completing a timber harvest.

Approved (Non-Mandatory) Practices

There are many optional management practices to enhance the growth rate and species composition of your forest; improve wildlife habitat and recreational activities; increase carbon sequestration; reduce fire hazards on your property; to improve access; and to help you meet other goals. Many of these practices may be eligible for cost-share assistance under the Wisconsin Forest Landowner Grant Program (WFLGP). Listed below are practices common to all timber stands:

- Seeding and mowing of trails and openings – Please contact your local WDNR Wildlife Biologist for information about seed mixtures
- Maintaining snags, den trees, and “wolf” trees – Retain trees during timber harvests and improvement cuts
- Controlling invasive species

Summarized in the table below are approved practices that are specific to individual timber stands. To learn more wildlife friendly ideas, go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search ‘Wildlife’.

Approved (non-mandatory) Practices Summary for Individual Stands				
YEAR	**STAND(S)**	**ACRES**	**PRIMARY TYPE**	**PRACTICE**
2020	2	18	Northern Hardwoods	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT
ANY	1	4	Oak	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT
ANY	2	18	Northern Hardwoods	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT
ANY	3	5	Oak	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT

General Description of Areas Identified on Your MFL Property

Foresters combine areas of land with similar vegetative and non-vegetative characteristics for management purposes and call these areas “stands”. The plan describes these stands and you can view the stands on the MFL map(s). Listed below are the descriptions of forest and non-forest areas on your MFL property.

Northern Hardwood Forest

Northern Hardwood Forests consist of over 50% of any combination of sugar maple, basswood, white ash, yellow birch, and beech trees. Sugar maple is typically the dominant tree in this type except in eastern Wisconsin where beech is sometimes dominant. Red maple, oak, hemlock, or balsam fir and other native trees commonly grow with northern hardwoods. Northern hardwood, the most common forest type in Wisconsin, is one of the few forest types that can be perpetuated in an uneven age condition. In northern Wisconsin, northern hardwoods are less diverse than they once were; historically they included more hemlock and white pine.

Northern hardwood forests grow best on deep, well-drained, silt loam soils. Northern hardwoods do not grow well on excessively dry or wet soil.

Oak Forest

Oak Forests are composed of over 50% oak. In Wisconsin, red oak, black oak, pin oak, white oak, and bur oak are common types of oak trees. Aspen, red maple, hickory, white pine, white birch, basswood, black cherry, sugar maple, elm, and jack pine commonly grow in oak forests. Oak forests are abundant, occurring throughout the state and growing on most soil types. Composition of oak forests varies depending on their location within Wisconsin and on site quality. On nutrient-poor, dry sites, oak forests might include black oak, white oak, northern pin oak, and bur oak. On dry sites, hickories, black cherry, aspen, red maple, and paper birch commonly grow with oak. In northern Wisconsin, pines may also grow in dry oak forests. Sites with a better nutrient and moisture supply may support mixtures of red and white oak, or may be dominantly red oak. On sites with more nutrients, basswood, hickories, ironwood, black cherry, elms, red maple, or white pine may grow with oak. On the richest sites, sugar maple or white ash might also grow with oak. While oaks are still very common trees in Wisconsin, the abundance of high-quality red and white oaks on nutrient-rich sites has declined considerably due to forest succession and failed regeneration. In general, oaks grow best on well-drained loamy soils. All oaks require drastic disturbance of the forest, both overstory and understory, in order to regenerate. On richer sites, oak forests are particularly difficult to regenerate and competition control is essential. Fire is one tool that facilitates the regeneration and maintenance of oak forests. To regenerate oak, foresters commonly mimic the effects of fire using mechanical tools or chemical application.

Resource Protection and Management

Special records and inventories identify important natural, historical or archeological resources on or near your property. The plan writer designed your management practices to protect these resources from disturbance.

You can go to the WDNR website to find information used to evaluate stand conditions and determine management practices for your property. Go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov and search using the keywords shown.

- To learn about Ecological Landscapes of Wisconsin, search for 'Landscapes'.
- To learn about Wildlife Management, Habitat and Natural Communities, search for 'Wildlife' and 'Biodiversity'.
- To see the Wisconsin Wildlife Action Plan, and from there Explore Species Profiles, search for 'ER' or 'Wildlife'.

Your lands lie within a landscape known as Western Coulees and Ridges. You can find an overview of the landscape, species of greatest conservation need, management opportunities and much more. Go to: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search Landscapes.

Endangered, Threatened and Special Concern Species and Plant Communities

Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) searches determine if your plan may affect endangered, threatened, or special concern animals, plants or plant communities. To learn about rare plants, animals and natural plant communities in Wisconsin visit https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search for 'NHI'.

The Natural Heritage Inventory (NHI) review lists the following resources on or in the area surrounding your property and suitable habitat for them is found on your property:

- 4 State Listed Bird(s)
- 3 Special Concern Plant(s)
- 1 State Listed Plant(s)
- 1 Special Concern Turtle(s)
- 1 State Listed Turtle(s)

When implementing management practices, mitigation is recommended to minimize potential legal liability arising out of the management practices, for example:

- Best management practices that protect water quality and habitat for rare or aquatic species
- Harvest limits or restrictions to avoid impacts to nesting birds or NHI Working List species
- Surveys for rare species prior to timber sale establishment

Members of the MFL certified group must follow NHI procedures.

Archeological and Historical Resources

State Historical Society records searches determine if your plan may affect archeological and historical sites. These sites require protection from disturbance, including road building, grading or gravelling. Contact your local Tax Law Forestry Specialist for additional information on archaeological and historical sites.

The Archeological Resources Inventory lists the following resources within this MFL property:

- 2/4/2022 - Request to State Archeologist - came back cleared

The Historical Resources Inventory lists no historical resources within this MFL property.

Invasive Plant Species

Invasive plants may decrease the productivity, regeneration, wildlife habitat, and recreational value of your property. It is essential to identify and control small populations of invasive plants to minimize their spread. The individual stand descriptions list any invasive plant species identified on your property. If you will be conducting a timber harvest on your MFL property, especially one focused on establishing or releasing small seedlings, you may be required to control the invasive plants or other competing vegetation to ensure that desired tree species have room to grow. For more information on invasive plant control, consult the Wisconsin Council on Forestry's website on Invasive Species Best Management Practices for Forestry.

Best Management Practices for Water Quality (BMPs)

To protect the water quality in Wisconsin's lakes, streams and wetlands and to prevent soil erosion, it is recommended that you implement *Wisconsin's Forestry Best Management Practices for Water Quality* during all forest management activities, such as road building or timber harvesting. However, you are required to implement soil erosion controls during all forest management activities. Specific BMPs will be included in detailed practice or harvest plans. You may require water regulations permits to cross wetlands and streams. Please go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest Management' to review all BMPs for water quality.

Members of the MFL certified group must follow best management practices for water quality.

Forest Health

Over time, your forest may suffer from insects, disease, windstorm, fire, flooding or drought, etc. These problems may alter your management prescriptions. If you are concerned about forest health, please contact your local Tax Law Forestry Specialist or go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest health'.

	STAND NUMBER 1	4 Acres
Primary Type:	**Oak Forest -- Large Sawtimber**	
Secondary Type:	**Northern Hardwood Forest -- Seedlings and Saplings**	

Stand Information

The most abundant tree species in this stand is White Oak (100%).

These trees make up a two-aged stand with two distinct age classes. Management practices must take into account that some trees will become mature earlier than other trees.

Soil type, moisture and nutrient availability affect site quality, which limits the kind of tree species that will grow on a site, as well as the growth rate and quality of individual trees. Soil productivity also determines the amount of timber harvesting sustainable over time. It also affects other forest attributes, such as wildlife habitat and biodiversity.

This stand has a loam soil. Loam soils are a mixture of sand, silt and clay particles. Loam soils are 23% to 52% sand, 28% to 50% silt, and 48% to 78% clay. Silt loam or silt soils have relatively higher amounts of silt particles. Loam soils typically have an abundance of moisture and nutrients to sustain excellent growth rates for many tree species. Prevent compaction and rutting when using equipment on these soils.

Stand Conditions, Special Features or Characteristics

This stand is a combination of 2 identical Plantrac stands in different TRS (14-02W-25,14-02W-26).

Management (Silvicultural) System

Manage and regenerate this stand within generally accepted silvicultural guidelines for the primary type according to the following management system.

NATURAL CONVERSION -- This stand will naturally convert to the desired cover type through prescribed management treatments. Expect natural conversion because these species are already present or will be able to seed in and become established once the proper seedbed, light and crown canopy conditions exist.

Year Scheduled	Approved (Non-Mandatory) Practice
ANY	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT. TSI may incur financial implications to the landowner and includes improving stand health and growth by cutting, removing, girdling or killing unwanted trees that are poor quality due to disease, injury, insect infestation. This practice would include thinning, crop tree release, cull tree removal, sanitation and salvage cutting, and release of regeneration.

STAND NUMBER 2		18 Acres
Primary Type:	**Northern Hardwood Forest -- Poletimber**	
Secondary Type:	**Northern Hardwood Forest -- Seedlings and Saplings**	

Stand Information

The most abundant tree species in this stand is Other Maple (100%).

These trees make up an uneven-aged stand with trees of three or more distinct age classes, ranging from young trees (seedlings and saplings) through trees that are older (pulpwood and sawlogs).

Soil type, moisture and nutrient availability affect site quality, which limits the kind of tree species that will grow on a site, as well as the growth rate and quality of individual trees. Soil productivity also determines the amount of timber harvesting sustainable over time. It also affects other forest attributes, such as wildlife habitat and biodiversity.

This stand has a sandy loam soil. Sandy loam soils are 50% to 70% sand particles with up to 50% silt and 20% clay. Sandy loam soils typically have good internal drainage and soil nutrients sufficient to support excellent growth for many tree species. Trees that are adapted to grow on sandy loam soils generally have a high rate of growth.

Stand Conditions, Special Features or Characteristics

This stand is a combination of 2 identical Plantrac stands in different TRS (14-02W-25,14-02W-26).

Management (Silvicultural) System

Manage and regenerate this stand within generally accepted silvicultural guidelines for the primary type according to the following management system.

NATURAL EVEN-AGED REGENERATION OF TIMBER TYPE WITH FUTURE THINNING -- Manage the stand through its rotation (the period between initial regeneration and the stand’s final cutting) as a single aged forest. Periodically thin the stand throughout the life of the stand to improve quality and vigor. Regeneration cutting will remove the old stand to provide the necessary open conditions and sunlight to regenerate the stand naturally.

Year Scheduled	Approved (Non-Mandatory) Practice
2020	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT. TSI may incur financial implications to the landowner and includes improving stand health and growth by cutting, removing, girdling or killing unwanted trees that are poor quality due to disease, injury, insect infestation. This practice would include thinning, crop tree release, cull tree removal, sanitation and salvage cutting, and release of regeneration.
ANY	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT. TSI may incur financial implications to the landowner and includes improving stand health and growth by cutting, removing, girdling or killing unwanted trees that are poor quality due to disease, injury, insect infestation. This practice would include thinning, crop tree release, cull tree removal, sanitation and salvage cutting, and release of regeneration.

	STAND NUMBER 3	5 Acres
Primary Type:	**Oak Forest -- Small Sawtimber**	
Secondary Type:	**Oak Forest -- Poletimber**	

Stand Information

The most abundant tree species in this stand is Other Oak (100%).

Tree ages in even-aged stands may vary slightly, but the trees began growing in relatively the same period.

Soil type, moisture and nutrient availability affect site quality, which limits the kind of tree species that will grow on a site, as well as the growth rate and quality of individual trees. Soil productivity also determines the amount of timber harvesting sustainable over time. It also affects other forest attributes, such as wildlife habitat and biodiversity.

This stand has a loam soil. Loam soils are a mixture of sand, silt and clay particles. Loam soils are 23% to 52% sand, 28% to 50% silt, and 48% to 78% clay. Silt loam or silt soils have relatively higher amounts of silt particles. Loam soils typically have an abundance of moisture and nutrients to sustain excellent growth rates for many tree species. Prevent compaction and rutting when using equipment on these soils.

Management (Silvicultural) System

Manage and regenerate this stand within generally accepted silvicultural guidelines for the primary type according to the following management system.

NATURAL EVEN-AGED REGENERATION OF TIMBER TYPE WITHOUT FUTURE THINNING -- Manage the stand through its rotation (the period between initial regeneration and the stand's final cutting) as a single aged forest. Regeneration cutting will remove the old stand to provide the necessary open conditions and sunlight to regenerate the stand naturally.

Year Scheduled	Mandatory Practice
	NONE. No Mandatory Practices expected on this stand for the remainder of the plan.

Year Scheduled	Approved (Non-Mandatory) Practice
ANY	TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT. TSI may incur financial implications to the landowner and includes improving stand health and growth by cutting, removing, girdling or killing unwanted trees that are poor quality due to disease, injury, insect infestation. This practice would include thinning, crop tree release, cull tree removal, sanitation and salvage cutting, and release of regeneration.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION FOR MANAGEMENT OF YOUR PROPERTY

Cost Share on Forest Management or Tree Planting

Lands enrolled in the MFL program must be maintained at 400 trees per acre for plantations and 800 trees per acre for natural stands.

Programs are available to help share the cost of implementing certain forest management or tree planting projects. You can find more information about financial help and cost share programs; go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest Landowner'.

You can purchase seedlings through the state nursery program. To learn more about tree availability or to create your own tree planting plan visit: https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Tree planting'.

Timber Harvest Contracts

It is very important that you and your logging contractor have a written and signed contract to guide the harvesting process before starting any harvesting. For more information on writing contracts for timber sales please visit https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest Landowner'.

Non-Timber Forest Products

You may harvest non-timber products, including but not limited to mushrooms, berries, ferns, evergreen boughs, cones, nuts, seeds, maple sap, bark, twigs, moss, and edible and/or medicinal plants. Wisconsin statutes may regulate some of these non-timber products, such as ginseng. Others might be threatened or endangered species, and protected by law. Follow all applicable laws when harvesting non-timber products. You must take care to prevent over-harvesting and reducing biological diversity and ecosystem functions. For additional information on how harvesting of non-timber forest products will affect management of your forestland please contact your local Tax Law Forestry Specialist using the Forestry Assistance Locator; go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest Landowner '.

Forest Certification

Lands entered into the MFL program may be included in the MFL Certified Group. The MFL program is certified under the American Tree Farm System® (ATFS®) and the Forest Stewardship Council® (FSC®). Regardless of whether lands are included in the MFL Certified Group, all rules and regulations of the MFL program must be followed.

This certification is voluntary and at no additional cost. You can choose to be included in the MFL Certified Group when enrolling your land in MFL, if you purchase MFL lands, or at any time during your enrollment. If you wish to apply or depart from the MFL Certified Group, you must file the Managed Forest Law Certified Group Application/Departure Request (form 2450-192). Departure from the MFL Certified Group does not affect your MFL designation.

Third party certification is beneficial in many ways, some of which are the ability to sell to the certified marketplace; future ability to participate in carbon markets; and an opportunity to educate the public about the importance of well managed private forests.

Specific group member duties include:

1. Petitioning for MFL designation

2. Agreeing to follow a WDNR-approved forest management plan
3. Conforming to MFL statutes and regulations
4. Conforming to ATFS® and FSC® certification standards, including any measures that might go beyond those stipulated in MFL statutes or administrative rules or other state, federal or local laws – Some features that are emphasized in the ATFS® or FSC® standards include:
   a. Allowing access for MFL Group forest certification field audits
   b. When needed, using pesticides not prohibited by FSC®. You can find a list of FSC® prohibited pesticides on the MFL Certification page; go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Forest Certification'. Landowners should self-report pesticide use on their lands using the online form on the same webpage.
   c. Not planting Genetically Modified Organisms (GMO) in the forest
   d. Keeping forest products harvested from MFL Group land separate from products harvested from non-MFL Group land during commercial harvest operations
   e. Endeavoring to adhere to Wisconsin Forestry Best Management Practices
   f. Striving to consider appropriate liability insurance and safety requirements in timber sales and other contracts
   g. Using the ATFS® and FSC® logos in conformance with their trademark policies
   h. Resolving disputes with easement holders, lien holders and holders of management rights in an expeditious manner.

For more information about forest certification, please contact your Tax Law Forestry Specialist or visit https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search for 'Forest Certification'

Wildfire Prevention and Planning

Every year in Wisconsin, thousands of wildfires occur, destroying dozens of structures and threatening to burn hundreds more. An increasing number of people living and recreating in Wisconsin's wildland-urban interface is creating a growing need for fire prevention and planning for fires that will inevitably occur.

Because of their proximity to forested lands, there is the potential for homes and property to be at significant risk of damage or destruction in the event of a wildfire. As part of the landscape planning process, it is important to determine the level of danger to properties and learn how to mitigate those dangers.

You can take action to reduce the exposure of your home or property to fire. Use fire resistant building materials, incorporate fuel breaks into the landscape, and know the local burning restrictions.

For more information on fire danger and burning permit restrictions, go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Fire'. For more information on making your home and property more survivable in the event of a wildfire, go to https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/ and search 'Firewise'.

Forest Carbon

Forests are a significant piece of the global carbon cycle because of their ability to absorb and sequester carbon dioxide. Learn how your forest adds to the global carbon balance and be aware of the rules affecting your participation in forest carbon markets. For information, visit the US Forest Service website: https://www.fs.usda.gov/managing-land/sc/carbon.

Lands Enrolled in the MFL Program

In conjunction with your MFL maps and air photos, this land information helps you to identify your lands enrolled in the MFL program.

Town/Range/Section	Legal Description	Tax Parcel ID No.	Certified Survey Map Information	Enrolled Acreage	
				Open to Public Access	Closed to Public Access
County: Vernon		Municipality: Town of Whitestown			
14N-02W-25	NWSW, PART OF	042-00534-0000			6.000
14N-02W-25	SWSW, PART OF	042-00534-0000			5.000
14N-02W-26	NESE, PART OF	042-00534-0000			7.000
14N-02W-26	SESE, PART OF	042-00534-0000 & 00531-0001			9.000
			Total Acreage:		27.000

Forester Contact Information

Contact your local Tax Law Forestry Specialist for information about:

- **Requirements of the Managed Forest Law.**
- **The sale or transfer of Managed Forest Law lands to other owners.**

Plan Preparer Contact Information

Tax Law Forestry Specialist Contact Information

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ORDER NUMBER
Co. Code/Seq. No./Yr. of Entry
63-020-2005

MANAGED FOREST LAW MAP
Form 2450-133 Rev. 12-97

MADISON OFFICE USE ONLY
Acreage Entered

Owner's Name	Town or Village Name	County
Frederick T. Sr. and Susan Cushing	Whitestown	Vernon

Street or Route	Township No.	Range	Section
S. 2092 Big Valley Road	14 N.	2 W.	26

City, State, Zip Code	Closed Acres	Open Acres
LaFarge, WI 54639	16	0

LEGEND:
Closed Area
Open Area

Section Diagram
8" = 1 Mile

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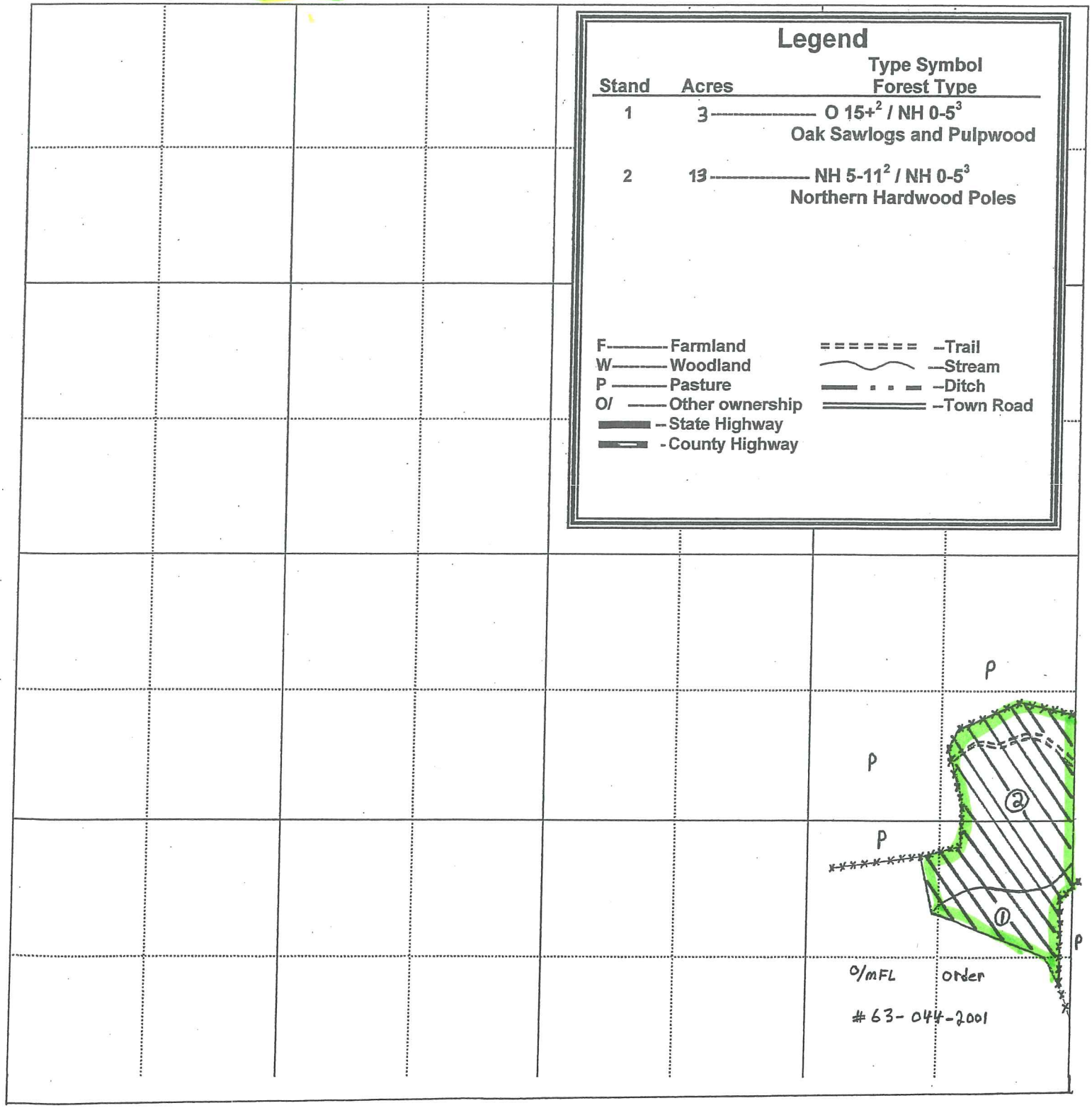
Date : Sept. 28, 2004



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S. 2092 Big Valley Road	14 N.	2 W.	25

City, State, Zip Code	Closed Acres	Open Acres
LaFarge, WI 54639	11	0

LEGEND: Closed Area / Open Area

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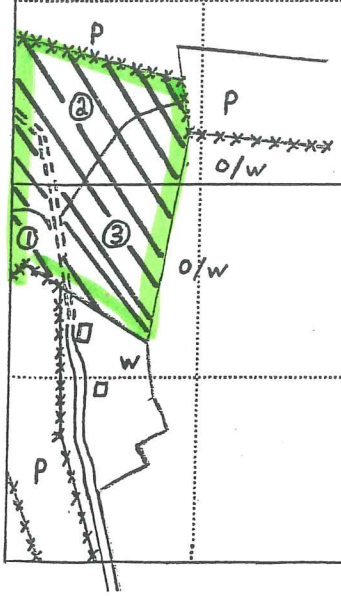
Legend

Stand	Acres	Type Symbol Forest Type
1	1	O 15+[2] / NH 0-5[3] Oak Sawlogs and Pulpwood
2	5	NH 5-11[2] / NH 0-5[3] Northern Hardwood Poles
3	5	O 11-15[1] / O 5-11[1] Oak Sawlogs and Pulpwood

F — Farmland
W — Woodland
P — Pasture
O/ — Other ownership
- State Highway
- County Highway
— Trail
— Stream
— Ditch
— Town Road