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FOREST STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT PLAN

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PROPERTY LOCATION

County: Grenada Total Acres: 318 Latitude: -89.78 Longitude: 33.86
Section: 16 Township: 23N Range: 5E

DISCLAIMER

Stewardship Plan Disclaimer

This information was derived from a small sampling of the forest resources. It reflects a statistical estimation that is only intended to be accurate enough for the purposes of making decisions for the short-term management of these resources. These estimations are temporally static. Events and circumstances may occur within the survey area that will physically alter the forest resources and therefore will not be reflected in this plan.

INTRODUCTION

This Forest Stewardship Management Plan will serve as a guide for accomplishing the goals and objectives for your property. In addition to addressing your specific goals and objectives, this plan includes recommendations for maintaining soil and water quality and protecting your forest from insects, disease, and wildfire. Recommendations are based on observation and assessment of the site.

OBJECTIVES

Timber Production

The goal is to produce high quality sawtimber. This will be accomplished through reforestation and timber stand improvement practices such as herbicide applications, prescribed burning, thinning at specified intervals, and other silvicultural practices. Forestry Best Management Practices will be implemented to prevent erosion and protect water quality.

Wildlife Management - General

The goal is to provide a diversity of habitats suitable for a variety of game and non-game wildlife species. Habitat management will focus on developing a variety of food, cover, water, and space. This will be accomplished by establishing and maintaining access roads and firelanes, providing openings within the forest, and the management of trees located within the Streamside Management Zone

PROPERTY DESCRIPTION

General Property Information

This section is located approximately 2 miles South of Hwy. 7 on the Northwest corner of Grenada Lake on Senic Loop 333 Road and consists of 317.68 acres, of which 295.78 acres are forested. The section consists of the following stands:

STRATUM #1: Pine Sub. Merch.- 13 yr. old (137.46 ac.), estab. 1999. **Stand # 4 and 6.**

STRATUM #2: Pine Sub. Merch.- 8 yr. old (122.07 ac.), estab. 2004. **Stand # 1 and 8.**

STRATUM #3: Hardwood Sawtimber SMZ- 57 yr. old (36.25 ac.), estab. 1955. **Stand # 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, and 12.**

The section will be inspected annually to assess the overall condition of the stands, roads and firelanes. Any and all maintenance to the section will be done as needed.

Water Resources

Perennial water resources were identified during a reconnaissance of the property. The watershed drainages of this section are in the Riverdale Creek watershed. Riverdale Creek is a tributary of the Yazoo River Watershed Basin. The objective is to protect, preserve and enhance all water sources and drainages on or transecting the property. Mississippi's Best Management Practices will be implemented during all aspects of the management of this property to minimize the impact on any water source.

Timber Production

The goal is to maximize the production of high quality timber. This will be accomplished through the application of timely thinning and other silvicultural practices designed to enhance timber quality and growth. Forestry Best Management Practices will be implemented to prevent erosion and protect water quality.

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Threatened and Endangered Species

No threatened and endangered species were identified during the reconnaissance and evaluation of your property.

Interaction with Surrounding Property

Prescribed practices should be carried out in a manner that will minimize adverse impacts on surrounding properties. Consideration should be given to potential air, water, visual, and other impacts. In addition, practices carried out should have positive effects on the surrounding community such as improved wildlife habitat and soil stabilization.

Archeological and Cultural Resources

This section contains an old *Dump*. The area is open, grassed and fenced off. It occupies approximately 9.46 acres and is designated on the map.

There is, also, a Bar on the South boundary line. The building and parking lot occupy approximately 1.19 acres. It too is designated on the map.

Both of these areas will be protected during any timber sale or other silvicultural activity.

Soils General

Soils were evaluated on the property to determine the suitability of the site for the proposed activities. Forest practices were planned so as to minimize erosion or other adverse effects on the soil. The following soils are identified for this property:

SOIL TYPES

CrF - Cuthbert-Ruston assoc.

The Cuthbert component makes up 46 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 17 to 35 percent. This component is on uplands. The parent material consists of loamy marine deposits. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is well drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is moderately high. Available water to a depth of 60 inches is moderate. Shrink-swell potential is moderate. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. There is no zone of water saturation within a depth of 72 inches. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 1 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 7e. This soil does not meet hydric criteria. The Ruston component makes up 31 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 17 to 40 percent. This component is on coastal plains. The parent material consists of loamy fluviomarine deposits. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is well drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is moderately high. Available water to a depth of 60 inches is high. Shrink-swell potential is low. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. There is no zone of water saturation within a depth of 72 inches. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 1 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 7e. This soil does not meet hydric criteria.

Loblolly Site Index = 80.

F1 - Falaya silt loam

The Falaya component makes up 90 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This component is on flood plains. The parent material consists of silty alluvium. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is somewhat poorly drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is moderately low. Available water to a depth of 60 inches is very high. Shrink-swell potential is low. This soil is occasionally flooded. It is not ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 18 inches during January, February, March, April, December. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 2 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 2w. This soil does not meet hydric criteria. Loblolly Site Index = 98, Cherrybark Oak = 110.

Gu - Gullied land, silty

Generated brief soil descriptions are created for major soil components. The Gullied land is a miscellaneous area. Loblolly Site Index = 68.

GENERAL PROPERTY RECOMMENDATIONS

Forest Protection

A vigorous, growing stand is the best defense to an attack from a variety of forest insects, plants and pathogens.

Insects and Diseases

Trees are subject to attack from insects and diseases. Different insects and diseases affect trees according to the age, species, and condition of the trees. Planted stands of pines and pure stands of hardwoods are particularly susceptible to attack. Since there are many different insects and diseases, no attempt will be made here to explain all of them. The property should be inspected at least annually for possible signs of insect and disease activity. Some things to look for are:

- Unseasonable leaf fall
- Discoloration of leaves or needles
- Pitch pockets on pine trees
- Heavy defoliation of hardwood leaves
- Groups of three or more dying trees within a stand

This list does not cover all instances of insect or disease attacks. If anything unusual is noticed, report it to a forester. In most cases, insect and disease problems can be controlled if discovered early.

Fire Protection

Your forest should be protected from wildfire at all times. The best way to protect your investment is by establishing and maintaining firebreaks around the property. Guidelines for establishment and maintenance of firebreaks may be found in Mississippi Forestry Commission publication #107, *Mississippi's Best Management Practices*.

Grazing

Tree seedlings should be protected from grazing until such time as the terminal bud of the sapling is beyond reach of livestock. Domestic livestock should be denied access to the tree planting area.

Boundary Lines

It is the responsibility of the landowner to ensure that all property lines and boundaries designating areas to receive forestry work are clearly identified and visible to all contractors.

Note: Some forest practices may cause temporary adverse environmental or aesthetic impacts. These practices will only cause short-term adverse impacts where they are installed. Special efforts will be made to minimize adverse effects when carrying out any of the practices. Examples include: site preparation, planting, prescribed fires, firebreak installation and maintenance, road installation and maintenance, pesticide applications and timber harvesting.

Water Quality Protection

The objective of the landowner is to protect, preserve and enhance all water sources on or transecting the property. This can best be achieved by implementation of Best Management Practices in all aspects of the management of the property.

Aesthetics

The goal is to assure that the property is managed in such a way that is aesthetically pleasing to the landowner as well as the community. Activities could include, maintaining buffer strips along the road and adjacent to the home site, planting wildflowers along the road, and trees with attractive fall and spring color along the drive and near the home site.

Ecological Restoration

Ecological restoration is the process of assisting the recovery of an ecosystem that has been degraded, damaged, or destroyed. A reconnaissance of the property has been conducted and no ecological restoration activities are recommended at this time.

Wildlife Mgt. Target Species

The objective of this practice is to provide habitat best suited for the featured or target species. Habitat management will focus on providing food, cover, water, and space to facilitate the target species.

Environmental Education

Environmental educational goals are to provide educational opportunities for children and adults through the development of items such as nature trails with tree identification markers, wildlife viewing areas, picnic areas, parking, public restroom facilities.

Wildlife Management General

The goal is to provide a diversity of habitats suited for a variety of game and non-game wildlife species. Habitat management will focus on providing a variety of food, cover, water, and space. This will be accomplished, in part, by establishing and maintaining

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access roads and firelanes, providing openings within the forest, and leaving mast producing and den trees.

Timber Management

Timber management goals for this property are to manage timber resources in such a manner as to maximize timber production throughout the life of the stand.

Recreation

According to landowner objectives the recreational use of the property could prove to be an avenue for personal enjoyment or for generating income. An evaluation of your property should be conducted and a plan developed to accomplish your specific goals for recreational activities on your property.

STRATA

Strata 1

Strata Description

Pine Sub Merchantable-13 yr. old (137.46 ac.), estab. 1999. **Stand # 4 and 6.**

Current stocking consists of 520 trees per acre, averaging 7 inches in diameter and 39 feet in average height. The Basal Area is 148 square feet per acre.

Strata Recommendations

This Strata is scheduled for a *1st Thinning* in **2016** (stand age 17). The objective will be to reduce the Basal Area to 80 square feet per acre. Two years after completion of the thinning, A *Prescribed Burn* is scheduled in **2019**. This will be a fuel reduction burn.

Activity Recommendations

Harvest

A 1st thinning is scheduled for **2016**. Diseased, damaged and poorly formed trees will be selected for removal, with the goal of reducing the average Basal Area to 80 square feet per acre. *Stand and market conditions will dictate the actual timing of the sale.*

Fire Protection

A prescribed fire is recommended for this site in order to reduce fuel loading and the potential for a wildfire to occur. A prescribed burning plan must be developed and followed in the application of the burn. Because of equipment, personnel and weather requirements, the application of a prescribed fire is limited to only those days that meet requirements of the burning plan. A certified prescribed burning manager should be employed to conduct the burn. The Mississippi Forestry Commission (on a limited basis) and other certified prescribed burning vendors are available to conduct prescribed burning.

A *Prescribed Burn* is scheduled for **2019**. The goal will be to remove logging slash and reduce the fuel load.

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Strata 2

Strata Description

Pine Sub-Merchantable-8 yr. old (122.07 ac.), estab. 2004. **Stand # 1 and 8.**

Current stocking consists of 806 trees per acre, with an average diameter of 5 inches. The Basal Area is 110 square feet per acre.

Strata Recommendations

This Strata is scheduled for a *1st Thinning* in **2021** (stand age 17). The objective will be to reduce the Basal Area to 80 square feet per acre.

Activity Recommendations

Harvest

A 1st thinning is scheduled for **2021**. Diseased, damaged and poorly formed trees will be selected for removal, with the goal of reducing the average Basal Area to 80 square feet per acre. *Stand and market conditions will dictate the actual timing of the sale.*

Strata 3

Strata Description

Hardwood Sawtimber SMZ-57 yr. old (36.25 ac.), estab. 1955. **Stand # 2, 3, 5, 9, 10, 11, and 12.**

Current stocking consists of 119 trees per acre, with an average diameter of 8 inches. The Basal Area is 39 square feet per acre. {Although the average diameter is of pulpwood size, the dominant trees in the Strata are sawtimber class trees; therefore, the Strata is classed as a sawtimber stand.} Species include both Red oaks and White oaks, Hickorys, Sweetgum, Red Maple, Persimmon, and Green Ash.

Strata Recommendations

This strata will be managed on an 80 year rotation with *selective* harvesting only. Selective harvesting will occur when adjacent stands are thinned or regenerated. No more than 50% of the crown cover will be removed, in order to maintain sufficient overstory to provide shade, maintain bank stability and protect water quality. [*The minimum width on all SMZ's will be 30 feet on both sides of the stream bank.*]

Natural regeneration will be utilized when needed.

No *Activities* are scheduled for this Strata at this time.

OTHER PLAN ACTIVITIES

Boundary Lines

Line Description

This section borders the Corp of Engineers on the East and South and they have maintained those Boundary Lines. They are currently marked with Yellow paint. The MFC has maintained the North and West Boundary Lines. These Boundary Lines were last painted prior to 2008, with Blue paint. *{The MFC inspects all Boundary Lines and will maintain as needed, in cooperation with the Corp of Engineers.}*

Line Recommendations

Boundary Line Maintenance is scheduled for **2013** and **2018**. The North and West lines will be marked with *Orange* paint. The East and South lines will be marked, if needed, in cooperation with Corp of Engineers.

Activity Recommendations

Property Activities

Routine inspections and general maintenance of the roads, Firelanes, and boundary lines will ensure overall appearance and aesthetics of the property.

This work is scheduled for **2013** and **2018**, when the boundary lines are painted.

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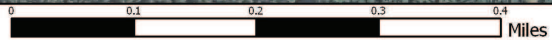
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Half Section

2012 to 2021
317.68 Acres



(01/05/2012)



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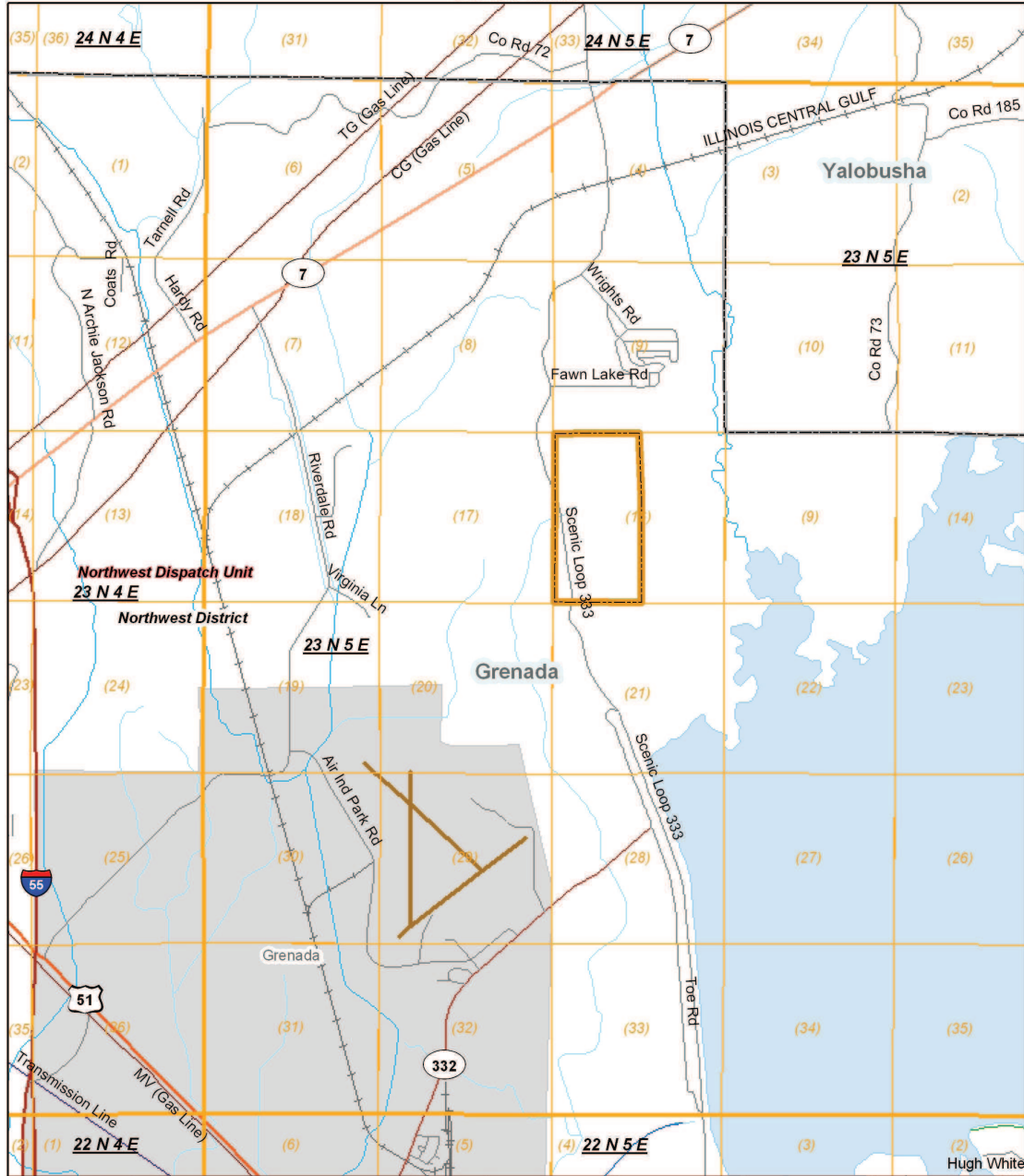


S16-T23N-R5E GRENADA COUNTY ROAD MAP

Half Section



2012 to 2021
317.68 Acres



(01/05/2012)

0 0.75 1.5 2.25 3 Miles



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Property

Property (1)

Category 1: Stands

Sub-Merchantable (4)

Sawtimber (7)

Category 3: Non-Forest Stands

Non-Forest (1)

Structures

Office Building (1)

Boundary Lines

Property (1)

Restricted Area

Special Use (1)

MFC Basemap

County Boundary

County Boundary (1)

Quadrangle Grid

USGS Quad (1)

PLS Townships

PLS Townships (1)

Survey Districts

District 2 (1)

Blockgroup (Census 2000)

Blockgroup (Census 2000) (1)

Block (Census 2000)

Block (Census 2000) (4)

Tract/BNA (Census 2000)

Tract/BNA (Census 2000) (1)

County Roads

County Roads (2)

School Sections

School Sections (1)

Public School Districts

GRENADA SCHOOL DISTRICT (1)

US Congressional District

US Cong Dist #1 (1)

MS Senate

8 (1)

MS House

24 (1)

Intermittent Streams

Intermittent Streams (1)

Hydrologic Units (Basins)

YALOBUSHA RIVER ABOVE GRENADA DAM (1)

Historic Forest Boundary

Oak-Hickory-Magnolia-Poplar (1)

MS Forest Habitat

DEEP LOESS HILLS AND BLUFFS (1)

Physiographic Region

North Central Hills (1)

Soil Associations

maben-smithdale-tippah (1)

Surface Geology

TALLAHATTA/NESHOBA SAND (1)

MFC Districts

MFC Districts (1)

MFC Dispatch Units

MFC Dispatch Units (1)

MS Outline

MS Outline (1)

Stand Activity Schedule for
Grenada County BOE
16 23N 5E

Strata	Stand	Activity	Acre	Est. Cost	Est. Revenue
2016					
1	4	Harvest, Mechanical, 1st Thin, Machine, Loblolly	130	\$4,540.90	\$16,217.50
1	6	Harvest, Mechanical, 1st Thin, Machine, Loblolly	8	\$280.00	\$1,000.00
Yearly Totals			138	\$4,820.90	\$17,217.50
2019					
1	4	Fire Protection, Other, Burn, Hand, Fuel Reduction	130	\$3,250.00	\$0.00
1	6	Fire Protection, Other, Burn, Hand, Fuel Reduction	8	\$193.00	\$0.00
Yearly Totals			138	\$3,443.00	\$0.00
2021					
2	1	Harvest, Mechanical, 1st Thin, Machine, Loblolly	114	\$3,990.00	\$14,250.00
2	8	Harvest, Mechanical, 1st Thin, Machine, Loblolly	8	\$274.75	\$981.25
Yearly Totals			122	\$4,264.75	\$15,231.25
Grand Totals			397	\$12,528.65	\$32,448.75