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FOREST STEWARDSHIP MANAGEMENT PLAN

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LANDOWNER INFORMATION

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PROPERTY LOCATION

County: Jackson Total Acres: 325 Latitude: -88.49 Longitude: 30.44
Section: 16 Township: 7S Range: 5W

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 temporarily 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.

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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 property is located west of the Escatawpa River. The section is situated in the floodplain of this river and is submerged most of the year by water. The entire 320 acres of this section are mature, naturally seeded slash pines and miscellaneous hardwoods. At this time, the costs associated with conducting a timber harvest on this tract would be greater than the revenue generated. Other than forest health inspections, no forest management activities are planned for this property at this time. It is recommended that the Moss Point school board investigates other sources of revenue, such as recreational leases for the property.

Archeological or Cultural Resources

These areas can range from churches, old cemeteries, natural springs, Native American burial grounds, homes, or other areas of historical significance.

No archeological, or cultural resources were identified during a reconnaissance of this property.

Water Resources

This section is located within the Escatawpa River Basin. Mississippi's Best Management practices will be utilized to ensure that erosion and sediment dispersal is minimized, while water quality is not adversely effected by forest management activities.

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.

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

Axis

The Axis component makes up 85 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This component is on depressions. The parent material consists of loamy marine deposits. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is very poorly 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 low. This soil is frequently flooded. It is not ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 6 inches during January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 10 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 7w. This soil meets hydric criteria. The soil has a slightly saline horizon within 30 inches of the soil surface.

Hyde

The Hyde component makes up 90 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 1 percent. This component is on terraces. The parent material consists of loamy marine deposits. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is very poorly 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. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 6 inches during January, February, March, April, May, December. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 6 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 6w. This soil meets hydric criteria. Loblolly Site Index = 107.

Escambia

The Escambia component makes up 90 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This component is on coastal plains. The parent material consists of sandy and loamy marine deposits. 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 high. Shrink-swell potential is low. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 24

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inches during January, February, March, April, December. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 1 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 2w. This soil does not meet hydric criteria. Loblolly Site Index = 90. Longleaf Site Index = 80. Slash Site Index = 90.

Bayou

The Bayou component makes up 85 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This component is on depressions. The parent material consists of loamy marine deposits. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is poorly 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 low. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 6 inches during January, February, March, April, December. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 2 percent. Nonirrigated land capability classification is 4w. This soil meets hydric criteria. Loblolly Site Index = 65. Longleaf Site Index = 47. Slash Site Index = 65.

Stough

The Stough component makes up 90 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This component is on terraces. The parent material consists of loamy 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 high. Available water to a depth of 60 inches is low. Shrink-swell potential is low. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 15 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 = 90. Slash Site Index = 86.

Harleston

The Harleston component makes up 90 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 2 percent. This component is on stream terraces. The parent material consists of loamy alluvium. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is moderately 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 low. This soil is not flooded. It is not ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 30 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 = 90. Slash Site Index = 90.

Handsboro

The Handsboro component makes up 85 percent of the map unit. Slopes are 0 to 1 percent. This component is on tidal flats. The parent material consists of decomposed herbaceous plant remains and alluvium deposits. Depth to a root restrictive layer is greater than 60 inches. The natural drainage class is very poorly drained. Water movement in the most restrictive layer is moderately high. Available water to a depth of 60 inches is very high. Shrink-swell potential is low. This soil is frequently flooded. It is frequently ponded. A seasonal zone of water saturation is at 3 inches during January, February, March, April, May, June, July, August, September, October, November, December. Organic matter content in the surface horizon is about 15 percent. Nonirrigated land capability

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GENERAL PROPERTY RECOMMENDATIONS

Forest Protection

A healthy, vigorously growing stand is the best defense against 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

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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 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.

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STANDS

Stand 1 - 10 Ac.

Stand Description

The stand is understocked with natural slash pine. As part of the Escatawpa River basin, the stand is frequently submerged in water. Other than periodic forest health inspections, there are no forest management activities currently planned on this stand.

Stand Recommendations

At this time, the value of the forest products on this site would not equal the cost of harvesting. This is an environmentally / wildlife sensitive site. As such, public opposition to timber harvesting operations on this tract may be a challenge. It has been over 50 years since logging operations were last conducted here. Over that time, many government regulations have been instituted concerning sensitive sites.

It is recommended that before any harvest operations are considered, alternative revenue uses be investigated. Longterm rental agreements with The Nature Conservancy may be an option, as well as hunting and fishing leases, or simply selling the property. No forestry activities are planned at this time, except periodic forest health inspections.

Stand 2 - 2 Ac.

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Stand 3 - 6 Ac.

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Stand 5 - 4 Ac.

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Stand 6 - 16 Ac.

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Stand 7 - 27 Ac.

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Stand 8 - 57 Ac.

Stand Description

The stand was originated in 1958 and is marginally stocked with natural slash pine. The stand has an average of 171 trees per acre with a basal area of 67. As part of the Escatawpa River basin, the stand is frequently submerged in water. Other than periodic forest health inspections, there are no forest management activities currently planned on this stand.

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Stand 9 - 2 Ac.

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Stand 10 - 2 Ac.

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Stand 11 - 5 Ac.

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Stand 12 - 2 Ac.

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Stand 13 - 1 Ac.

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Stand 14 - 1 Ac.

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Stand 15 - 0 Ac.

Stand Description

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Stand Recommendations

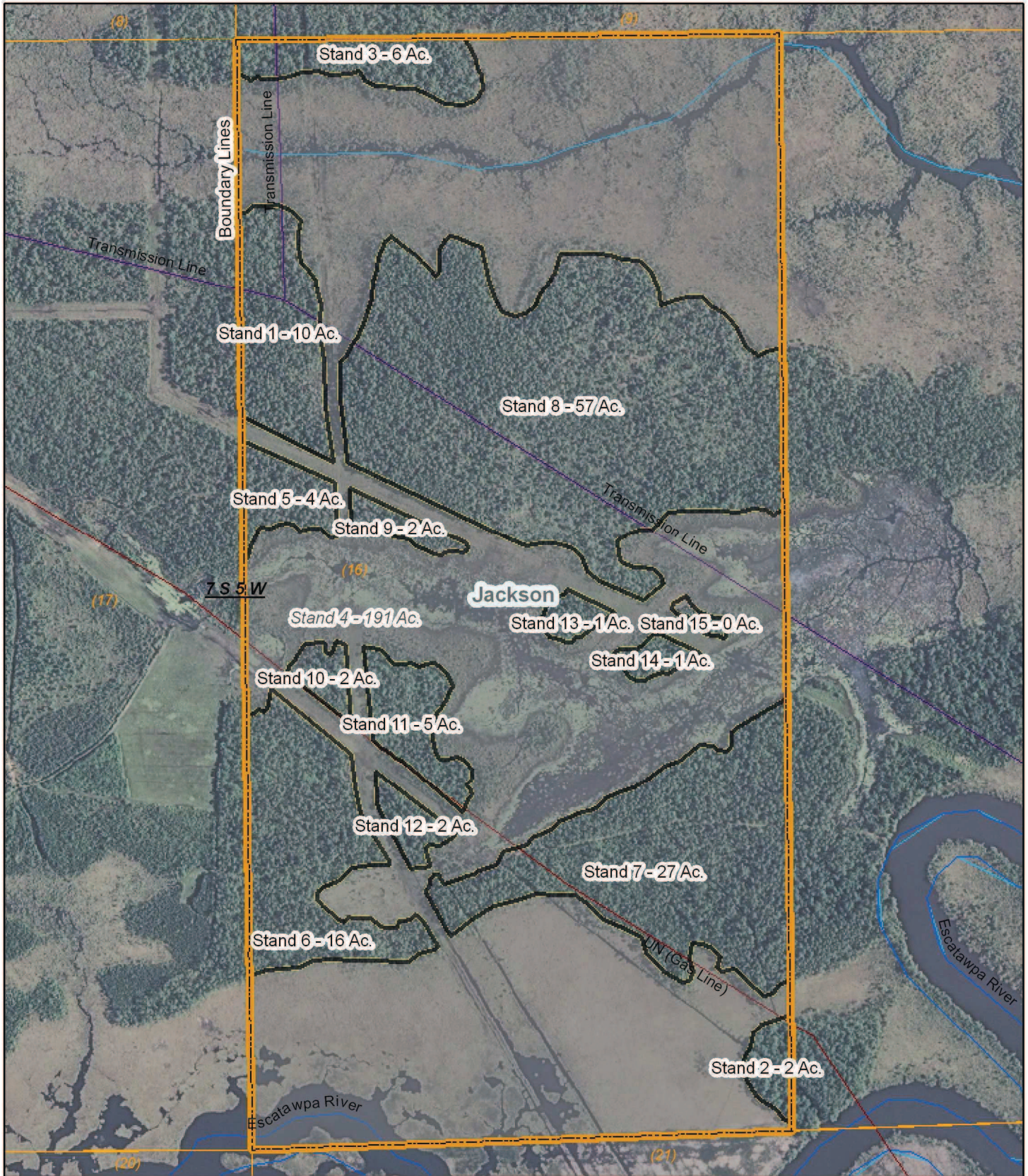
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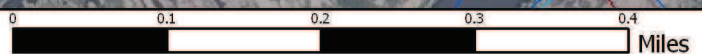


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2012 to 2021
324.62 Acres




(01/28/2012)




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Property

 Property (1)

Category 1: Stands


 Sawtimber (14)

Category 3: Non-Forest Stands


 Non-Forest (1)

MFC Basemap


County Boundary

 County Boundary (1)

Quadrangle Grid

 USGS Quad (1)


PLS Townships

 PLS Townships (1)


Survey Districts

 District 5 (1)


Blockgroup (Census 2000)

 Blockgroup (Census 2000) (1)

Block (Census 2000)

 Block (Census 2000) (3)


Tract/BNA (Census 2000)

 Tract/BNA (Census 2000) (1)


Transmission Lines

 Transmission Lines (3)


Natural Gas Lines

 Natural Gas Lines (1)


School Sections

 School Sections (1)

Public School Districts

 MOSS POINT SEPARATE SCH DIST (1)


US Congressional District

 US Cong Dist #4 (1)


MS Senate

 51 (1)


MS House

 109 (1)

Major River

 Major River (1)

Perennial Streams

 Perennial Streams (1)

Hydrologic Units (Basins)

 ESCATAWPA RIVER (1)


Historic Forest Boundary

 Slash Pine with Longleaf Pine-Bay-Savannas (1)


MS Forest Habitat

 COASTAL FLATWOODS (1)


Physiographic Region

 Coastal Zone (1)


Soil Associations

 handsboro-bohicket (1)

 hyde-leaf-atmore (1)

 leaf-lenoir-dorovan (1)


Surface Geology

 COASTAL DEPOSITS (1)

MFC Districts

 MFC Districts (1)


MFC Dispatch Units

 MFC Dispatch Units (1)

Incorporated Cities

 Incorporated Cities (1)

MS Outline

 MS Outline (1)

Stand Activity Summary for
 Moss Point School District
 16 7S 5W

Filters Applied: County:
 Client Class:
 District:
 Client: Moss Point School District
 STR: 16 7S 5W
 Activity:
 Year: 2012 Through 2021

STR	Strata	Stand	Activity	Acre	Est. Cost	Est. Revenue
			Yearly Totals	0	\$0.00	\$0.00
			Grand Totals	0	\$0.00	\$0.00