



ADMINISTRATIVE DECISION

APPLICANT NAME: Great Northern Logging - Tom Kruschek

PROPERTY LOCATION: SWNE, SENW, NENW, NWNW, SWNW, NWNE of Fifty Lakes Township Sec 3 & 4

APPLICANT REQUEST: Access timber sale permit # 2271 in the Fall/Summer to start harvesting operations.

ISSUE: When Permit # 2271 was sold at auction on 4/3/2015, it was sold under the assumption that it was to be harvested in the winter.

FACTS: Jake Frie, the Natural Resources Manager (NRM) who set up the timber sale, was contacted regarding any special circumstances that surrounded permit # 2271 being harvest in the summer/fall. He stated his decision for making this sale a winter only harvest was because of the access road being silty and therefore, not favorable to a summer/fall harvest when the road was wet. On 7/29/2016, Tom Kruschek and the NRM drove to the future timber sale site to assess what roadwork, if any, needed to be completed before the winter season. Upon inspection, the NRM determined that at this time the access road and the sight itself were in fact dry enough to support a summer/fall timber harvest.

ANALYSIS: The facts above were presented to the other Natural Resources Managers and the Land Services Supervisor. It was determined from the facts above that permit # 2271 would be capable of supporting a summer sale.

DECISION: Mr. Kruschek will be allowed to harvest this particular sale in the fall/summer of 2017. It will also be noted that if conditions become non-favorable for timber harvesting, Mr. Kruschek will halt operations until the NRM approves the site for continued harvest.

This administrative decision is limited to the facts of this particular property.

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Land Services Supervisor

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