

**Interim Ecosystem Management Guidelines
WUP Management Unit
Including Escanaba, Ishpeming, Baraga and
Crystal Falls Forest Areas**

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**Additional Guidelines:**

1. Allowable cuts should be calculated using suggested rotation ages for each species. These should be modified as necessary to meet our overall priority to provide sustainability of all forest-generated amenities. The cut levels suggested in the ERSF plan should continue to guide prescriptions in that area (Gwinn & Escanaba forest areas). Until a comprehensive forest management plan is completed, we will strive to “manage types in place” with the exception of the mesic and upland conifer initiative being proposed.
2. An annual meeting of FMFMD/Wildlife/Fisheries and other resource divisions will be planned. At this meeting, we will review progress toward goals and review/resolve any ongoing management problems we may be facing collectively.
3. Best management practices (BMP) standards will be adhered to on all state administered lands. Training in BMPs will be made available to FMFMD, Wildlife and other personnel that have administrative or area-specific responsibilities in the WUP. Adherence to these practices will give adequate direction to staff during road construction, logging, erosion and stream crossing needs.