Upper Peninsula Habitat Workgroup
Meeting Agenda
Marquette Township Community Center, 1000 Commerce Drive
Marquette MI
May 10, 2022
9:00 a.m. Eastern (8:00 a.m. Central)

- Welcome & Introductions
- NRC Comments/Lansing Staff Comments
- CWD/NRC Amendment Clarification – Staff/Commissioners
- Deer Wintering Complex Update – Scullon
- Qualified Forest Program Update – Seablom
- Regional State Forest Plan Update – Seablom
- Large Grant Proposal – Hammill/Divine/Boren/Peterson
- Landowner Visitation/Proposal for 2023-2024 – Hammill/Boren/Peterson
- Partnership Opportunities – Hammill/Group
- Informational Brochure Development – Hammill/Group
- Legislative Conservation Caucus Review – Hammill
- Next Meeting Date

Upper Peninsula Habitat Workgroup Background:

The Upper Peninsula (UP) experiences high snowfall that requires deer to seek conifer shelter to survive typical winters. Deer Winter Range (DWR) comprises landscapes in which forested stands are present in sufficient quantity, quality, and spatial arrangement to provide food and shelter to mitigate the effects of winter weather conditions and are occupied by deer in winter. The workgroup, comprised of natural resource professionals, private landowners, and sportsmen's groups, and was formed in partnership with Safari Club International, is focused on improving and conserving this critical UP winter deer habitat.

The UP Habitat Workgroup has developed detailed deer winter range habitat strategies, including management plans for individual deer wintering complexes.