

SUMMARY COMMENTS

Clark State Forest **Compartment 8 Tract 3** **30 Day Comment Period Ending: 2/6/2014** **Comments Received: 2**

The table below is a summary of public comments received concerning the draft Resource Management Guide. The public comments received have been reviewed in their entirety and given due consideration summarized in the Division of Forestry response below.

Comment Summary	Division of Forestry Response
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Concern about potential of soil erosion and sedimentation on steep slopes as a result of proposed harvest. • Concerned about successful BMP implementation • Concerned on harvest impact to habitat and legacy trees • Concern that plan notes a harvest not needed, but recommends one anyway. • Concerned about terminology used to describe trees and forest conditions. • Concern on impact to nearby recreation facilities, and requests tract and surrounding tracts be set aside from regular logging rotation to favor recreation. Area around gun range and lake are ideal for hiking and trail riding. • Opposes prescribed harvest citing recreation, tourism, carbon cycles, large old trees, species diversity. • Concern on overcutting and soil impacts. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • While harvest was prescribed to recover diseased and over mature trees, no harvest of the tract is planned at this time. This will be reevaluated at later date. • Practical implementation of an improvement harvest will avoid areas with extreme slopes. • To insure sustainability State Forest harvest levels are established to be well below annual growth rates. • BMPs will be required of operator and included in timber sales contracts. Best management practices are monitored to address the soil erosion and sedimentation concerns. • The RMG uses forest science terminology which integrates many considerations including biological, human utility and more. Sometimes the scope of considerations are not readily portrayed by the terminology. • The management guide addresses the recreational use of the area. • The concerns expressed have been considered and may be further addressed during plan implementation.