Precautions will be taken to protect the paved bike trail during logging operations. The snowmobile trail will be posted if cutting occurs near the trail in winter. Cutting is needed to improve stand health and to improve equipment access for future thinnings.

Stands 2 & 10 (69 acres) are 81-year-old red pine plantations that are ready for thinning. The prescription will be a free thinning, with the intent to reduce the stocking level to promote the growth and vigor of the remaining crop trees.

Stands 5 & 6 (56 acres) are 106-year-old stands of red pine with a mix of other species. These stands will be thinned, and most short-lived species will be cut.

Stand 7 (16 acres) is a 106-year-old stand of red pine with a mix of other species within the Rustic Road Scenic Management Area. This 100’ strip will be managed for aesthetic appeal by favoring the longer-lived pine. Most shorter-lived species will be removed, except where needed to be left along Hwy K for aesthetics.

Stand 17 (19 acres) is a 37-year-old red pine plantation that is ready for a first thinning. The stand was noted to have had a heavy shoot blight infection in 1997. Every third row will be cut to improve stand health and to improve equipment access for future thinnings.

The snowmobile trail will be posted if cutting occurs near the trail in winter. Aesthetics along the roads and trails should be minimized with an ample amount of pine residual throughout most areas. Precautions will be taken to protect the paved bike trail during logging operations.