

# Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

## Timber sale Program

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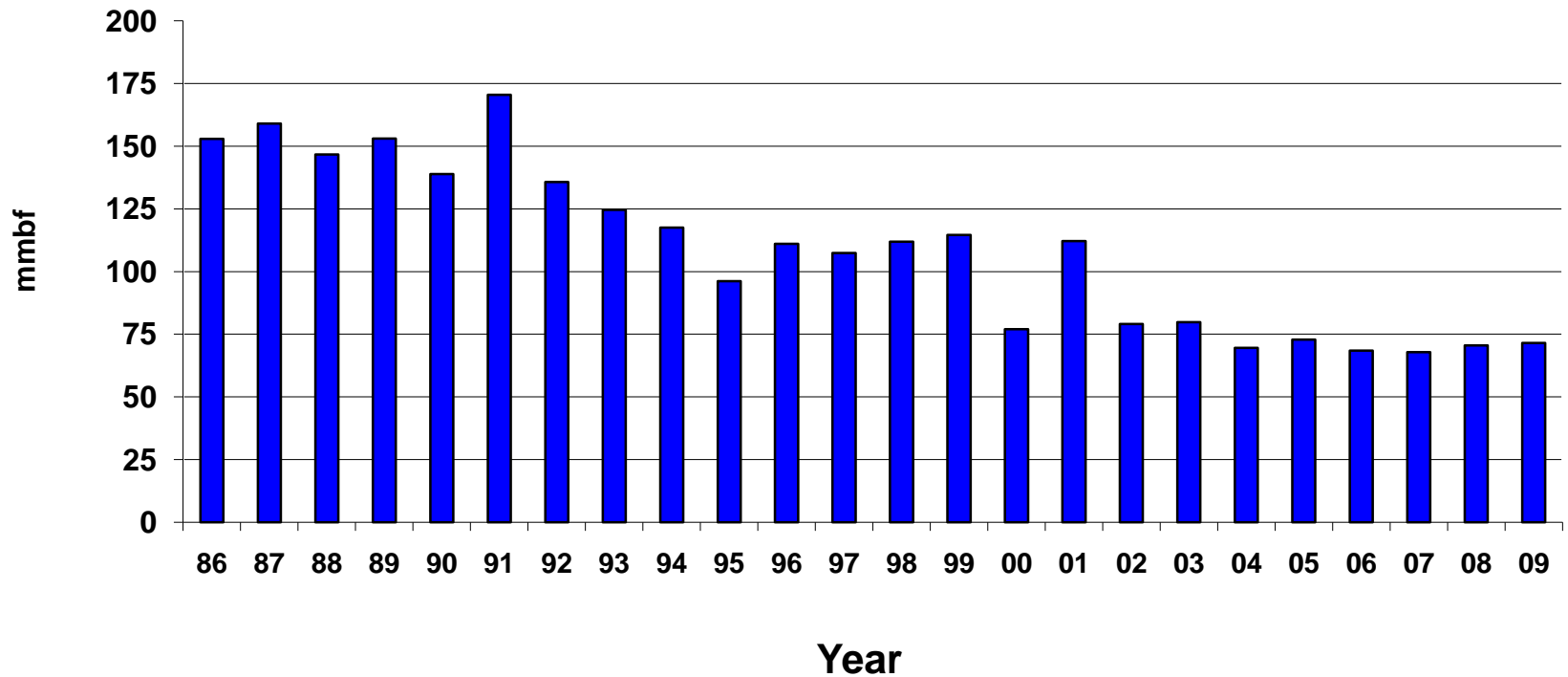
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# Brief Past History

<u>FY</u>	<u>CC acres</u>	<u>Thin acres</u>	<u>Total acres</u>
2004	1086	6773	7859
2005	1271	8281	9552
2006	2068	7186	9254
2007	1899	7784	9683
2008	2127	7701	9828
2009	3727	5203	8930

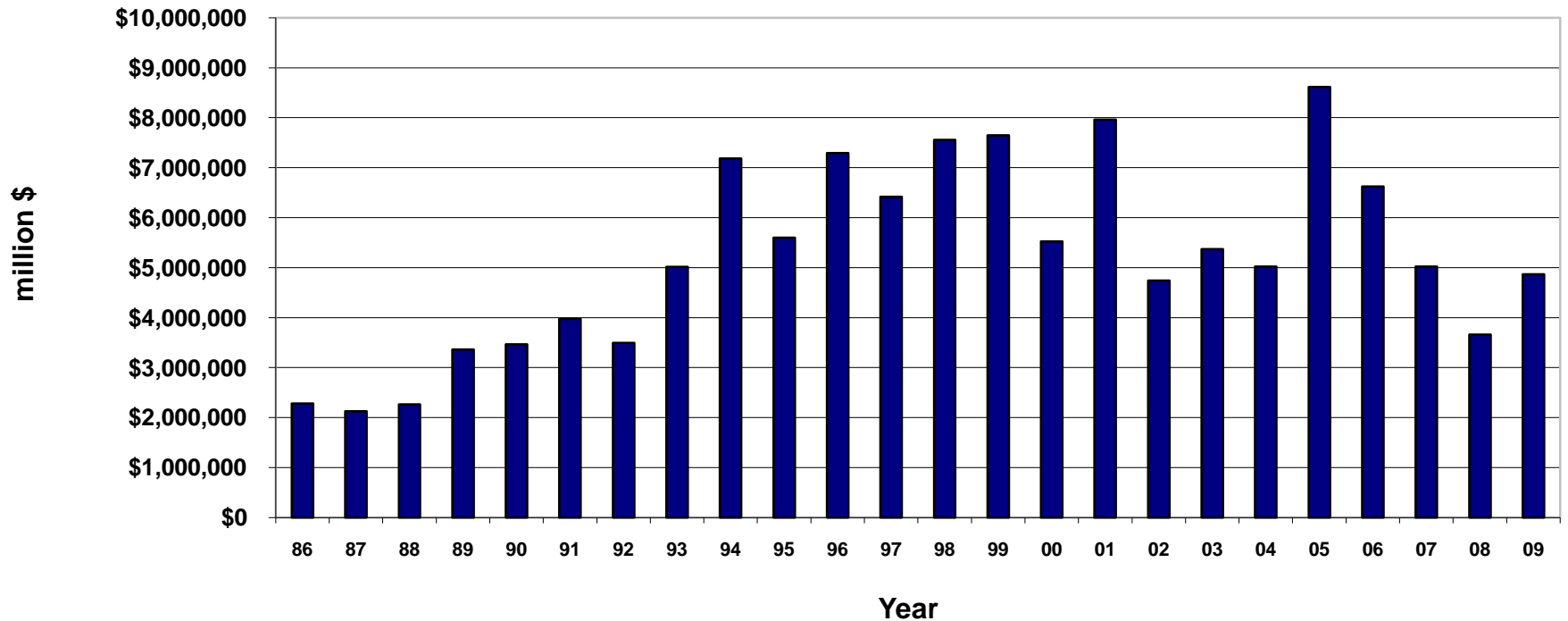
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**CHEQUAMEGON-NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST  
SOLD VOLUME FY86 - FY09**



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# Timber program Strategic direction

- Implement the Revised Forest Plan
- Improve NEPA Efficiency
- Responsive to Insect & Disease and other Natural Events
- Fiscal Responsibility

# Implement the Revised Forest Plan

- Goals & Objectives – All Resources
- Standards & Guidelines – All Resources
- Volume Outputs – ASQ of 131mmbf annually
- Species Composition
- Silvicultural Prescriptions – Mitigate Resource Concerns

# Volume Outputs

- 60%/40% volume split between the Chequamegon side and Nicolet side respectively
- Dependent on where volume is available



# Volume Outputs

District	Volume %
Medford-Park Falls	17%
Great Divide	22%
Eagle River-Florence	16%
Lakewood-Laona	24%
Washburn	21%

# Volume Outputs

Species Product	Volume %
Hardwood Pulp	39%
Hardwood Sawtimber	6%
Softwood Pulp	24%
Softwood Sawtimber	7%
Aspen	24%

# Responsive to I&D Issues and Other Natural Events

- Forest Tent Caterpillar
- Gypsy Moth
- Oak Wilt
- Spruce Decline
- Emerald Ash Borer
- Gilman Tornado
- Quad County Tornado
- ✓ Need for Program Flexibility



# FY2010 Timber sale Program

- FY10 Timber Target of 71mmbf
- Sold to date – 22mmbf or 30% of target
  
- Chequamegon Side                      40mmbf – 56%
- Nicolet Side                                31mmbf – 44%
  
- 6 Month Sale Program Announcement
  
- Forest considering biomass on some sales

# FY2010 Timber sale Program

- Chequamegon Side Volume
  - Mixed Hardwood ----35%
    - 80% pulp & 20% sawtimber – Great Divide & Washburn
  - Red Pine ----- 35%
    - 65% pulp & 35% sawtimber – Great Divide & Washburn
  - Aspen ----- 30%
    - All sold as pulp – Medford-Park falls

# FY2010 Timber sale Program

- Nicolet Side Volume

- Mixed Hardwood ----30%

- 70% pulp & 30% sawtimber – Mostly Eagle River-Florence

- Red Pine ----- 55%

- 40% pulp & 60% sawtimber – Mostly Lakewood-Laona

- Aspen ----- 15%

- All sold as pulp – Mostly Lakewood-Laona

# NEPA Status Update

- US District Court (Eastern District of WI) favorable rulings on 1/14/10
  - McCaslin Project      37mmbf – Lakewood-Laona
  - NW Howell              23mmbf – Eagle River-Florence  
60mmbf

# NEPA Status Update

- Volume through NEPA and available to sell in FY10 and beyond

– Medford-Park Falls	45mmbf
– Great Divide	43mmbf
– Eagle River-Florence	63mmbf
– Lakewood-Laona	80mmbf
– Washburn	<u>52mmbf</u>
	283mmbf

➤ New NEPA decisions expected in FY10: 135mmbf



# FY2011 Estimated Timber Sale Program

- FY11 and beyond volume targets uncertain
- Limiting factor will likely be budget
- FY11 volume target expected to be between 65mmbf and 75mmbf
- Work to achieve the Forest Plan percentage volume distribution by district

# FY2011 Estimated Timber Sale Program

- Chequamegon Side Volume
  - Mixed Hardwood ----- 50%
    - Mostly Great Divide
  - Red Pine ----- 25%
    - Medford-Park Falls & Washburn
  - Aspen ----- 25%
    - Medford-Park Falls & Washburn

# FY2011 Estimated Timber Sale Program

- Nicolet Side Volume

- Mixed Hardwood ----- 60%

- Mostly Eagle River-Florence

- Red Pine ----- 30%

- Almost all Lakewood-Laona (50% of their volume)

- Aspen ----- 10%

- Eagle River-Florence & Lakewood-Laona

# Congressional Contacts

- House of Representatives
  - David Obey – 7<sup>th</sup> District – Chequamegon Side
  - Steve Kagen – 8<sup>th</sup> District – Nicolet Side
    - Held Field Hearing on Forestry
- Senators
  - Herb Kohl
  - Russ Feingold