GOOD NEIGHBOR AUTHORITY (GNA)

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### PURPOSE

- Authorizes the Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management to enter into agreement with state foresters to carry out forest, rangeland, and watershed restoration, management and protection services
- On NFS lands includes commercial timber harvesting or other mechanical vegetative treatments
The Good Neighbor Authority was launched via the 2000 Interior Appropriations Act and was piloted by the states of Colorado and Utah. The authority was extended in 2005. The extension also authorized similar activities between the states and the Bureau of Land Management.

The 2014 Farm Bill expanded the authority to all states and Puerto Rico and made it permanent. This version does not allow for road reconstruction or construction and this limits the number of projects. Temporary roads are allowed.

At the same time the FY14 Appropriation Act also passed a version of GNA authority, this version allows for road reconstruction or construction, but expires in 2018.

The Forest Service is only making use of the Farm Bill version of the law.
PROCESS TO UTILIZE GNA

- Negotiate a Master GNA utilizing FS_1500-36a Agreement. This agreement is a non-obligating master agreement incorporating the general terms and framework of the collaborative arrangement. Supplemental Project Agreements can be executed under this master agreement.

- Negotiate a Supplemental Project Agreement (SPA) utilizing FS_1500-36b agreement. Incorporates specific project roles and responsibilities, statement of work(s), financial plan(s), reporting requirements, payment provisions and other provisions to complete the work.

GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT
SUPPLEMENTAL PROJECT AGREEMENT
To
MASTER GOOD NEIGHBOR AGREEMENT #15-GN-11091300-108 BETWEEN
THE STATE OF WISCONSIN, DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND THE USDA, FOREST SERVICE, REGION 09 CHEQUAMEGON-NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST
Wisconsin First Wood on the Ground

- 25 MMBF Project

- 30 different companies bid on the first eight timber sales that totaled 8.2 MMBF.

- In 2016 the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest plans to sell about 80 MMBF and with the assistance of the WDNR via GNA – over 100 MMBF.
ALASKA’S FIRST SPA-KOSCIUSKO ISLAND

- Negotiations are underway for a 28 MMBF young growth timber sale on Kosciusko Island.
- Project will be $800.0 to $900.0 and run over multiple years.
- Three silvicultural prescriptions in each stand- clear cut, 2-age retention cut and multiple age patch cut.
- State will cruise, appraise, sell and administer the contract
- Plan to utilize purchaser layout after 20-30% of layout is completed by DOF
PROJECT LOCATIONS KOS AND GRAVINA ISLANDS
Markets for young growth logs are currently export only.

Old growth is domestic and export with Viking Sawmill the primary breakdown facility left in Southeast.
CAPE POLE

• Location of former logging camp for the Sika Pulp Corporation long-term timber sale.
ROW clearing prior to road construction in young growth stand approx. 65 years in age.
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