

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE  
FOREST SERVICE

Huron-Manistee NF

REPLY TO: 2630 Habitat

November 11, 1971

SUBJECT: Kirtland's Warbler Management Area

TO: Forest Supervisor, Huron-Manistee NF



On November 5 Bill Irvine and I met with Ken Adams and Ed Merski at Mio and discussed the management of the dedicated warbler area.

The first step we recommend is the revision of the boundary, dropping the 575 acres below Oscoda County Road 604 and adding 540 acres in Section 4 and 160 acres in Section 10. This would increase the total area from 4010 to 4135 acres, and would permit a better progression of cutting, and possibly decrease road problems.

The second step would be to revise the cutting block boundaries to better coincide with age class conditions on the ground. A tentative cutting schedule was also made to provide a circuitous progression over the area. The compartments have been scheduled for examination during the current fiscal year so this will probably be better refined.

These revisions were presented to the Kirtland's Warbler Advisory Committee at their meeting on November 9 for comment. This group raised no objections and endorsed the revisions.

This committee had some further suggestions regarding the confirmation of cowbird control on this and other nesting areas, the use of the permit, visitor information service on the area and restricting use of logging trails by vehicular traffic in the immediate area of nesting habitat. These will be covered more thoroughly when the minutes of this meeting are compiled.

Shall we proceed with these changes?

OK

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Enclosures