

Wisconsin Council on Forestry

U.S. Forest Service Report

May 18, 2022

General Status – Pandemic Response

Office buildings remain closed to public use but continue to provide public service virtually. Current guidance on agency “re-entry” is that it will occur on June 6. Re-entry will include a combination of in-office, telework, and a few employees performing all of their work remotely. This date is essentially the end of the long Continuity of Operations stance the agency has been in. **(Updated from last report).**

Most non-field going employees on CNNF remain in telework status. Normal field operations continue with appropriate mitigation measures.

Timber Program FY22

Planned Accomplishments

FS Sold Volume – 94 MMBF

Green – 70 MMBF

Salvage – 24 MMBF

GNA Sold Volume – 25 MMBF

Green – 20 MMBF (highly likely to come in higher – see details below)

Salvage – 5 MMBF

Total CNNF Planned Volume Sold – 119 MMBF minimum

Accomplishments to Date

- Timber Volume Sold

On pace through the end of the second quarter of the federal fiscal year.

FY22 Accomplishments as of 5/17/2022

- 59.3 MMBF sold by Forest Service
- 23.5 MMBF sold through GNA State of WI
- 3.7 MMBF currently advertised FS

- 9.1 MMBF currently advertised GNA

Forest Health

- On May 9, the CNNF recorded its first confirmed infestation of Emerald Ash Borer near Moose Lake in Sawyer County as part of a small area including adjacent private lands. The only other detection of infested trees on the CNNF has been at the administrative site in Rhinelander surrounded by private lands with EAB present.