

III. ADJUSTMENTS OR CORRECTIONS, AND AMENDMENTS TO THE FOREST PLAN

The Chippewa National Forest Land and Resource Management Plan (Forest Plan) was revised in accordance with the 1982 Planning Rule. Since 2000 a number of planning rules have been in effect. As a result of litigation, the 2000 Planning Rule was reinstated in December 2009. The 2000 Planning Rule allows us to make non-substantive corrections or adjustments to the revised Forest Plan using a process called “administrative corrections”. Administrative corrections (36 CFR 219.31(b)) may be made at any time and are not plan amendments or revisions. Administrative corrections include the following:

- (1) Corrections and updates of data and maps,
- (2) Updates to activity lists and schedules as required by 219.30 (d)(1) through (6)
- (3) Corrections of typographical errors or other non-substantive changes; and
- (4) Changes in the monitoring methods other than those required in a monitoring strategy.

In FY 2009 there was one non-significant site specific amendment (Amendment 2) and one administrative correction. The amendment consisted of an extension of the southern boundary of the North Winnie Semi-primitive non-motorized to the Third River Road. The change provides the public and agency officials with a well defined boundary that is easily identifiable on the ground. This amendment was included in an environmental assessment and decision for the *North Winnie SPNM Boundary Change and Trail Project*. The administrative correction (Administrative Correction 10) changed a boundary to Sunken Lake candidate Research Natural Area. This boundary was incorrectly mapped and adjusted to be consistent with the historical boundary contained in documentation from the Northern Research Station.

Table 1 . Listing of Forest Plan amendments, corrections, or updates.

Type of Change	Date	Content
Amendment 1	11/15/2007	Change to Guideline on prohibited OHV use (G-ORV-1)
Amendment 2	06/04/2009	Change to North Winnie SPNM Boundary
Administrative Correction 1	08/17/2006	Change to Glossary definitions
Administrative Correction 2	08/30/2006	Change to Monitoring Plan
Administrative Correction 3	08/18/2006	Change to Timber Management Guideline (G-TM-7)
Administrative Correction 4	08/18/2006	Change to Heritage, Recreation, and Access Guideline (G-WSR-7)
Administrative Correction 5	08/18/2006	Correction to Executive Summary Table
Administrative Correction 6	08/18/2006	Change to Watershed Health, Riparian Areas and Soil Resources Table (Table G-WS-8a)
Administrative Correction 7	08/18/2006	Change to SIO Map
Administrative Correction 8	09/18/2006	Change to National ORV Definitions
Administrative Correction 9	09/14/2007	Change to Proposed and Probable Practices
Administrative Correction 10	08/10/2009	Change to Boundary of Candidate Research Natural Area, Sunken Lake
Errata 1	08/18/2006	Change to Record of Decision (ROD)

The amendment, full corrections, as well as the corrected pages from the set of Plan documents

can be found at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/chippewa/> Land & Resources Management→Planning. We encourage people to use this resource for accessing the most up to date information on amendments and administrative corrections. Future amendments will also be listed in the Chippewa NF *Schedule of Proposed Actions* which is distributed quarterly. We will continue to provide opportunity for public involvement at the project level and during any substantive changes to the Forest Plan.

Future changes needed through administrative corrections, Forest Plan amendments, or next Forest Plan revision:

- Three candidate RNAs (cRNA) – Pimusche, Ottertail, and Sunken Lake-- were identified in the 2004 Revised Forest Plan. In 2010 Pimusche and Ottertail cRNAs were recommended for designation as RNAs. Sunken Lake cRNA was not recommended for RNA designation; rather it is to be added to the Cut Foot Experimental Forest. Changes in management area (MA) designations to the appropriate MA need to occur. Establishment records need to be completed for Pimusche and Ottertail. It is possible to wait until the next Forest Plan revision effort. cRNAs management direction is same as for RNAs so there will be no change or affects with regard to changes in management direction.
- Possible adjustment to Forest Plan Table APP-D2 to reflect more realistic estimates of thinning, clearcutting, shelterwood & partial cut 30, and uneven-aged acres.
- Changes to the Monitoring Plan (FP, Chapter IV) to meet requirements in 2012 Planning Rule.
- Resolution of conflict between lynx and snowmobile trails.
- Current Forest Plan terminology “unclassified roads” needs to be changed to “unauthorized roads”.
- Possible designation of Barrot’s Bog as a Unique Biological Area.
- Changes in harvest treatments and volumes in high interest tribal areas.
- SPNM areas overlooked during last revision include: Fiske Lake, Simpson Creek/Trail Area, and Bass Lake Rush Island. They are currently being managed as SPNM areas.

