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**Potential Bidder's – Coaster Timber Sale
Motor Vehicle Use – 36 CFR 212.51**

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In April 2011, the Ottawa National Forest 2011 Motor Vehicle Use Map (MVUM) went into effect. This map shows National Forest System roads and trails, within the Ottawa National Forest that are designated for motor vehicle use pursuant to 36 CFR 212.51. The roads and trails shown on the map are coded by the types of vehicles allowed and seasonal restrictions, if any. The map is available, free of charge, at each Ottawa National Forest office and at the Ottawa Visitor Center in Watersmeet, MI.

It is prohibited to possess or operate a motor vehicle on National Forest System lands on the Ottawa National Forest other than in accordance with these designations (36 CFR 261.13).

During the advertisement period within the Coaster Timber Sale Area, and in addition to the roads and trails shown on the 2011 MVUM (FR 3226 & 3226A), you are authorized to use an ATV (or other vehicle 50" or less in width at the widest point on the vehicle) on the following National Forest system roads shown on the attached Sale Area Map:

3226A1 3226B 3226B1 3226B2 3226C
(3226 D and 3226E are not suitable for use at this time)

Please note that a copy of this letter must be in your possession when using an ATV on the above listed roads. Some of the roads listed above may be overgrown with vegetation and thus may not be drivable. Also, when the Forest is experiencing very high fire danger conditions, your cooperation is needed in preventing fires by not driving on roads where dry vegetation may catch fire when it comes into contact with catalytic converters or hot exhaust. Roads other than those shown on the 2011 MVUM or identified in the above list of roads are closed to all motorized vehicle uses.

As has been the case for some time now, cross-country use of an ATV is not permitted. **In addition, per 36 CFR 261.12d, the following is also prohibited: damaging and leaving in a damaged condition any such road, trail, or segment thereof.** Due to their current condition, several roads in this Sale Area require reconstruction or pre-haul maintenance activities as a condition of the timber sale contract. Please use your judgment when determining if you can travel these roads without causing further resource damage.

/s/ Norman E. Nass
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Attachments: Sample Sale Area Map

