Turtle Mountain Landscape Forest Stewardship Plan
Working Group
4-6-2023 9:00 AM via Teams

Working Group Members Present:
   Liz Smith – Committee Chair, NDFS
   Cody Clemenson, NDFS
   Jodi Delozier, NDSU Extension
   Kevin Kading, ND Game & Fish
   Deric Deuschle, SEH Inc.
   Erin Budrow, SEH Inc.

Guest: Lezlee Johnson, NDFS

1. Erin Budrow shared some information from the stakeholder interviews conducted so far. “UNIQUE” is a reoccurring theme. Concerns or challenges include forest health, increasing diversity & age structure, financial constraints, workforce/contractor constraints, public education, and from landowners - doing work on your own can be slow; lack of market and contractors to do the work. The interviews are taking a bit longer than planned, but the overall the plan is progressing on schedule. The group offered some tips Erin might use to encourage folks who haven’t gotten back to her request to interview.

2. Liz shared photos (attached) and the group discussed the aspen regeneration project currently being conducted on Wakopa WMA.

Next Meeting:
May 12 at 9:00 AM via Teams

Notes Prepared by Liz Smith
Treated area in foreground, untreated in background

Grapple skidder
Grouse tracks in the snow