New Cowbird Traps - Mack Lake

District Ranger, Mio

Enclosed is a letter and map from Mike Decappita (Fish and Wildlife Service) describing locations we selected for some new cowbird trap locations in the Mack Lake fire area. Most of them are in landings created during the salvage sale or along other trails. Trails leading in to 4 of them will require some minor dozer work - primarily pushing slash and smoothing out a few rough spots. As I discussed with Dick Lord several weeks ago it will probably require no more than ½ day with the dozer. Please let me know if this work will be possible this Fall and when you might be able to do it.

Thank you much for your cooperation.

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Dear Bill,

Here is a map with proposed cowbird trap locations for 1987. Those with green squares require some trail improvement or construction as we discussed earlier.

I numbered each site so we can discuss them more easily. I checked sites 1, 8, 9, and 10 the day after I saw you. Number 9 is a salvage landing close to the road - shouldn't require too much - a little smoothing is needed. I'm still not sure about site 10 because of its proximity to the existing trap in Section 2. I didn't finish looking in SE Section 11 or NE Section 14 for site 10.

The others are as we discussed before with site 5 requiring a lengthy trail of some sort.

Can you please check on the possibility of FS assistance on the access and let me know?

Any chance of a map for us like the one you have?

Thanks much for your help!

Mike

Attachment