



MFL CHANGES THAT BENEFIT PRIVATE WOODLAND OWNERS

- Allows landowners to receive consideration for use of their land for recreational purposes between harvests.
- Elimination of the special 5% yield tax imposed on landowners in the program when they harvested timber.
- Provisions which identify the MFL as a contract with the state, rather than a one sided agreement that could be unilaterally changed by the state.
- Reduction of the program's withdrawal penalty to a maximum of 10 years for repayment of any taxes saved while enrolled.
- Allowing landowners the ability to withdraw 1 to 5 acres for construction or sale rather than having to withdraw full parcels and incur major penalties for doing so.
- Providing allowances for lands damaged by natural disasters.
- Increasing the amount of land landowners can close to unlimited public access to 320 acres.
- Returning the closed acreage fee that generates over \$8 million per year back to the local municipalities where the land is located, rather than having it deposited into the state's treasury.