

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

(Recovery – Scaled Sale)

SALE NAME/NO.: Shroyer Ridge Thin 341-04-08

AUCTION DATE/TIME: October 23, 2003, starting at 10:00 a.m.

AUCTION LOCATION: Oregon Department of Forestry
West Oregon District Headquarters
24533 Alsea Highway
Philomath, Oregon 97370
(541) 929-3266 FAX (541) 929-5549

DISTRICT/UNIT OFFICE (MAILING ADDRESS FOR BIDS): Oregon Department of Forestry
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HARVEST TYPE: 209 net acres of automark commercial thinning in 27- to 68-year-old Douglas-fir timber.

SALE LOCATION: Portions of Sections 16, 19, and 21, T11S, R7W, W.M., Benton County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: From Philomath, proceed west on Highway 20 approximately 11 miles to Blodgett; continue west on Highway 20 about ½ mile to Point A (first driveway/forest road to right past the bridge) and follow roads on the vicinity map to Areas I, II, V, and VI; to access Areas III and IV, turn right at the Blodgett Country Store onto the Eddyville-Blodgett Highway and travel north approximately 2 miles; to access Areas VII through X, proceed 3.4 miles west of Blodgett on Highway 20 to Point G.

APPRAISED VOLUMES AND QUALITY:

SPECIES	AVG DBH	TOTAL MBF	GRADES BY MBF															
			1P	2P	3P	P	SM	1S	2S	3S	4S	5S	6S	SEL	SC	UT	CR	WRM
Douglas-fir	15"	2,556					41		1,177	1,076	262							
Red Alder	14"	25															25	
Sale Total		2,581																

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir \$232.77 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Red alder and other hardwoods..... \$227.01 per MBF
Grand fir and other conifers..... \$100.00 per MBF

There is no project amortization. ODF will **not** reduce the price of a species to amortize the project work. Instead ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$70,187 after the project work is completed and accepted, as described in the section titled, "Credit for Project Work."

The timber sale areas contain negligible volumes of other logs to be paid for at the prices in Section 44.

PERFORMANCE SECURITY: 20% of bid value (unknown) **or** the total value of the project work (\$71,000), whichever is greater. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: December 31, 2005 BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$53,000 SALE TYPE: Recovery/BOF – 100%

INSURANCE: \$500,000 Commercial General Liability; \$500,000 Automobile Liability;
\$500,000 Logger's Broad Form

HARVEST METHOD:	A combination of ground-based yarding (approximately 74 percent) and cable yarding (approximately 26 percent) by volume.
PROJECTS:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Road construction (0.7 mile), road improvement (6.4 miles), roadside brushing (1.3 miles), and post-harvest activities. • Paved approach required for an access spur off the Eddyville-Blodgett Highway. • Separate bonds in the amount of \$1,000 for the paved approach and \$10,000 for an additional access permit required to complete this sale. • Bond to be filed with the Oregon Department of Transportation (ODOT). • Additional insurance will be required for the ODOT permits. • 20 hours of machine time for slash treatment. • 8 hours additional non-merchantable slashing (state highway right-of-way).
FEES:	None.
ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT COMPLIANCE STATEMENT:	<p>The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) is engaged in an active threatened and endangered (T&E) species survey program. Surveys, determinations, and management measures are developed and implemented in good faith compliance with federal and state Endangered Species Act (ESA) requirements. Restrictions on operations due to T&E species considerations are included in the prospectus. Purchasers are required to comply with all federal and state laws, including the Endangered Species Act. Purchaser should take steps to be certain that no ESA violations occur. Prospective purchasers of timber sales are reminded that ODF surveying efforts may take place any time during the term of a timber sale contract. As part of the survey program, ODF surveys its lands on a continuing basis for land management, species protection, research, and other reasons. During the contract term, T&E survey work and/or the discovery of a threatened or endangered species within or in the vicinity of a timber sale may affect operations contemplated under the contract. In the event a threatened or endangered species is found within or near this sale, ODF may take steps necessary to protect the interests of the State, including contract alteration, suspension, or termination.</p> <p>Prospective purchasers are encouraged to contact the West Oregon ODF District at (541) 929-3266 for further information or questions relative to threatened or endangered species surveys, future planned survey information, or other threatened or endangered species information.</p>
SPECIAL REMARKS:	<p>SEASONAL RESTRICTIONS APPLY - SEE SECTION 39.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Net and gross acreage for the timber sale areas was determined by using a combination of digital orthophotography and GPS. • All timber sale areas are autemark thins with two patch cuts in Area I, three patch cuts in Area II, and one patch cut in Area IV. • PURCHASER shall top 87 trees to create snags and fell 87 trees for “down wood” recruitment after completion of harvesting. • There are gates that control access to eight of the timber sale areas. Keys can be checked out at the Oregon Department of Forestry, Philomath Office. • PURCHASER shall apply for permits from ODOT within 60 days of timber sale purchase. • There is a domestic water intake located in Area I.

SALE OBJECTIVES:

The objectives of this timber sale are to reduce stand densities to an approximate relative density of 35 percent to maintain growth of residual trees, to enhance understory growth so that a more complex stand structure will develop over time, to harvest several small patches of timber that are heavily infested with laminated root rot (*Phellinus weirii*) and replace them with disease resistant species, and to generate revenue for Benton County Taxing Districts.

The information shown on the Exhibit "A" map(s) are approximate locations. Exact locations of features represented by map symbols shall be determined on site and shall depend upon the conditions that exist on site. Activities shall be conducted based upon features determined on site rather than features shown on maps.

See inside front cover of Auction Schedule booklet for disclaimer regarding all governmental regulatory actions.

SALE NAME: Shroyer Ridge Thin
COUNTY: Benton
CONTRACT NO.: 341-04-08

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Shroyer Ridge Thin**

TIMBER SALE NO.: **341-04-08**

OPENING DATE: **October 23, 2003**

FORM OF PROPOSAL

The undersigned agrees to accept and perform all of the above terms and conditions as stated in the form of contract for the above-cited timber sale, and bids, and will pay:

ON THE BASIS OF PRICE PER THOUSAND BOARD FEET FOR:

Bid Species:

Douglas-fir, sawmill grade or better, _____
_____ Dollars (\$ _____) per MBF.

Minimum grades and volumes for bid species are stated in the timber sale prospectus.

No-bid species will remain as shown:

Red alder and other hardwoods **\$227.01** per MBF.

Grand fir and other conifers **\$100.00** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$53,000**, payable to the Oregon Department of Forestry.

The undersigned agrees to execute and deliver the contract, initial payment, required certificates of insurance, and performance bond, within thirty (30) days of the date of the written notification of high bid; and that any cash bid deposit may be applied to the first required timber sale payment.

The undersigned understands that the bid is irrevocable and further agrees that if they fail to qualify under the terms of the contract within the thirty-day period, the bid deposit shall become the property of the Oregon Department of Forestry as liquidated damages.

BIDDER _____
(Name of Individual or Company and Authorized Official)

TAX ID NO. _____

ADDRESS _____

PHONE _____

BY _____
(Signature of Authorized Official & Title)

COMPLETE PURCHASER'S STATUS ON PAGE 2

PURCHASER'S STATUS

Purchaser is a corporation ☐ Check
() Incorporated in
the State of _____

President's Name _____

Secretary's Name _____

Purchaser is: ☐ a partnership ☐ an assumed (business) ☐ company
☐ an individual name

List names of all persons doing business under the partnership or assumed name:

If assumed name is subsidiary to a corporation, fill in data requested of corporation also and write in corporation name here:

CERTIFICATION OF ELIGIBILITY
TO BID ON STATE TIMBER

_____ hereby certifies that they:

EXPORT

- (a) Will not export the unprocessed State timber as defined in OAR 629-031-0020 which is the subject of this transaction;
- (b) Will not sell, transfer, exchange, or otherwise convey the unprocessed timber as defined above which is the subject of this transaction to any other person without first obtaining a certification from that person which meets the requirements of OAR 629-031-0030.
- (c) Are not prohibited by OAR's 629-031-0005 through 0045 from bidding for unprocessed State timber as defined above directly from the State Forester.
- (d) Understand that falsely entering into this certification is a violation of the Forest Resources Conservation Amendments Act of 1993 and OAR Chapter 629, Division 31, and is subject to any and all penalties contained therein.
- (e) Have not exported unprocessed timber originating from private lands in Oregon in the last 24 months, **or if bidding only on STATE hardwood timber or logs, HAVE** exported unprocessed timber originating from private lands in Oregon in the last 24 months, but **HAVE NOT** exported unprocessed **hardwood** timber originating from private lands in Oregon in the last 24 months **and** meet the requirements of OAR 629-031-0010(2).

DEFAULT, TERMINATION, AND OTHER RELATED MATTERS

- (a) Are not currently in default status under any timber sale contract sold by the State Forester.
- (b) Has not, within a 3-year period preceding this bid, had one or more Federal, State, or local timber sales terminated for cause or default.
- (c) If (b) above is Yes, has submitted an explanation, in writing, with this bid for consideration by STATE. Any such explanation shall be submitted at the time of bid on a separate piece of paper.

Signed

Title

Dated

[NOTE: For the purpose of this form, the definition of unprocessed timber is the same as in OAR 629-031-0005.]

Biological Survey Report

Project: Shroyer Ridge Thin
Date: April 17, 2003
To: Dan Borg
CC: Steve Laam, District Sale File
From: Marcia Humes

Habitat Suitability

This sale contains potentially suitable habitat for northern spotted owls and marbled murrelets.

Survey Results

This sale was surveyed for northern spotted owls in 2001 and 2002, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service¹. In 2002 a murrelet surveyor reported a possible northern spotted owl detection. Although the description of the detection did not match any known northern spotted owl calls, three additional visits were conducted to the sale. No detections of northern spotted owls were obtained. The sale will be surveyed for northern spotted owls again in 2003.

Surveys for marbled murrelets were conducted in 2001 and 2002, using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group². A murrelet was detected on one occasion in 2001, flying high over the canopy. No further detections were obtained, and no indication of murrelet occupancy was observed.

Known T&E Resources

This sale is further than 1.5 miles from any known northern spotted owl activity centers and further than 0.25 miles from any Marbled Murrelet Management Areas.

¹ USDI Fish and Wildlife Service. 1991, revised 1992. Protocol for surveying proposed management activities that may impact northern spotted owls. 15pp.

² Evans, D. M., W. P. Ritchie, S. K. Nelson, E. Kuo-Harrison, Peter Harrison, T. E. Hamer, eds. 2000. Methods for surveying marbled murrelets in forests: an update to the protocol for land management and research, by the Pacific Seabird Group Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee. 64 pp.

Operational Considerations

Current survey results are valid through March 15, 2005. No felling, except for that associated with project work, will be allowed prior to September 1, 2003, or until the completion of the owl surveys indicating that no resident spotted owls affect the sale. After completion of the 2003 spotted owl surveys, the survey results will be valid until March 15, 2006. All timber should be felled by March 15, 2006.

Marbled murrelet survey results are valid until April 2008.

Future Survey Plans

The sale will be surveyed for northern spotted owls again in 2003. In addition, ODF has an active survey program and northern spotted owl surveys will be conducted within 3 miles of this sale during the life of the contract.

Survey Results Summary

Table 1. Northern Spotted Owl Surveys of Shroyer Ridge Thin

Year	Visit #1	Visit #2	Visit #3	Visit #4	Visit #5	Visit #6
Survey Area	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Shroyer Ridge Thin 2001	4/5-6 4/6-7	6/21-22	8/1-2 8/2-3			
	NR	NR	NR			
	3/25-26	4/25-26	5/10	6/22-23	7/10-11	7/29-30
Shroyer Ridge Thin 2002	NR	NR	Murrelet Surveyor heard possible NSO ³	NR	NR	NR
<div> <div>NR - no response</div> <div>j - juvenile</div> <div>M₀ - mouse refused</div> <div>M₄ - 4 mice taken</div> </div> <div> <div>V - visual response</div> <div>jj - 2 juveniles</div> <div>M₁ - 1mice taken</div> <div>M₅ - 5 mice taken</div> </div> <div> <div>bb - new bird banded</div> <div>[red square] - last visit to site</div> <div>M₂ - 2 mice taken</div> <div>M₆ - 6 mice taken</div> </div> <div> <div>M₃ - 3 mice taken</div> </div> <div> <div>♂ ♀ ♂ - Pair (day, night, early morning)</div> <div>♀ ♀ ♀ - Female (day, night, early morning)</div> <div>♂ ♂ ♂ - Male (day, night, early morning)</div> <div>○ ⊗ ◎ - Sex Unkn (day, night, early morning)</div> </div>						

³ A murrelet surveyor obtained a possible northern spotted owl detection. Although the description of the detection did not match any known northern spotted owl calls, three additional visits were conducted. No responses were obtained.

Table 2. Marbled Murrelet Surveys of Shroyer Ridge Thin

Survey Area	Site	Station	Date	# Detections
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	2	5/22/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	3	6/14/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	4	6/27/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	1	7/11/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	5	7/21/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	3	7/28/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	1	8/4/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	2	5/10/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	1	5/31/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	3	6/12/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	4	6/26/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	5	7/4/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	1	7/16/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	1	3	7/29/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	5/18/01	1
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	1	6/12/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	6/27/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	7/13/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	8/1/01	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	5/8/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	6/6/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	1	6/25/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	7/3/02	0
SHROYER RIDGE THIN	2	2	8/1/02	0