

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

(Recovery – Scaled Sale)

SALE NAME/NO.: Ground Hog 341-05-85

AUCTION DATE/TIME: June 17, 2005, starting at 2:00 p.m.

AUCTION LOCATION: Oregon Department of Forestry
Forest Grove District Headquarters
801 Gales Creek Road
Forest Grove, Oregon 97116-1199
(503) 357-2191 FAX (503) 357-4548

DISTRICT/UNIT OFFICE (MAILING ADDRESS FOR BIDS): Oregon Department of Forestry
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HARVEST TYPE: 68 acres of regeneration harvest in 50-year-old timber; 256 acres of partial cut in 40- to 50-year-old timber, and 12 acres of R/W timber.

SALE LOCATION: Portions of Sections 32, 33, and 34, T2N, R6W, W.M., Tillamook County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: From Forest Grove, 23 miles west on Highways 8 and 6 to Drift Creek Road, ¼ mile to Idiot Creek Road and then follow signs to timber sale areas.

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	PLP
Douglas-fir	13"	4,598							971	3,010	617								
W Hem./fir	15"	35							20	13	2								
Red Alder	11"	60																60	
Sale Total		4,693																	

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir..... \$439.80 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Western hemlock and other conifers \$271.67 per MBF

Red alder and other hardwoods..... \$412.99 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 \$132,120 after the project work is completed and accepted, as described in Section 2630, "Credit for Project Work."

The timber sale areas contain negligible volumes of other logs to be paid for at the prices in Section 1740.

PERFORMANCE SECURITY: 20% of bid value (unknown) **or** the total value of the project work (\$133,000), whichever is greater. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: July 1, 2007 BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$192,400 SALE TYPE: Recovery/BOF - 100%

INSURANCE: \$1,000,000 Commercial General Liability; \$1,000,000 Automobile Liability; \$1,000,000 Logger's Broad Form

HARVEST METHOD: Partial Cut Area I: 50% ground and 50% cable
Area II is 100% cable
Clearcut Area III: 95% ground and 5% cable
Area IV is 30% ground and 70% cable

PROJECTS: 1.11 miles of road construction, 2.58 miles of road improvement including construction of temporary log bridge, 1.7 miles of road surfacing, grass seeding, stream enhancement, and removal of temporary log bridge.

FEES:

None.

**ENDANGERED SPECIES
ACT COMPLIANCE
STATEMENT:**

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.

Prospective purchasers are encouraged to contact the Forest Grove ODF District at 503-357-2191 for further information or questions relative to threatened or endangered species surveys, future planned survey information, or other threatened or endangered species information.

SPECIAL REMARKS:

SEASONAL RESTRICTIONS APPLY - SEE SECTION 2455.

Early felling deadline of March 15, 2007.

Acreage by ArcView with 2003 orthophotos.

Sale elevation: 1,000 - 2,000 feet.

Other costs: Snag creation on 136 trees, 75 acres of site preparation, shovel piling in clearcut and phellinus patches, non-merchantable slashing on 20 acres, 15 hours of shovel time for firewood sorting and skid trail blocking.

SALE OBJECTIVES:

Areas I, II, and IV are first entry thinnings designed to start these stands on pathways to more complex stand structures.

Area I will have phellinus treatment, resulting in numerous small patchcuts which will be planted with disease resistant trees.

Area III is a modified clearcut with green tree retention located in one stream buffer and several ¼ - ½ acre islands. This will result in a regeneration stand structure.

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 Timber Sale Schedule handbook for disclaimer regarding all governmental regulatory actions.

**SALE NAME: Ground Hog
COUNTY: Tillamook
CONTRACT NO.: 341-05-85**

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Ground Hog**

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OPENING DATE: **June 17, 2005**

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:

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:

Western hemlock and other conifers **\$271.67** per MBF.
Red alder and other hardwoods **\$412.99** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$192,400**, 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 notice of intent to award; 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: Ground Hog
Date: January 25, 2005
To: Erik Marcy
CC: Dave Johnson, District Sale File
From: Marcia Humes

Habitat Suitability

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

Survey Results

This sale was surveyed for northern spotted owls in 2003 and 2004, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service¹. Northern spotted owls were not observed during these surveys.

Surveys for marbled murrelets were conducted in 2003 and 2004, using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group². Murrelets were not detected during these surveys.

Known T&E Resources

There are no northern spotted owl activity centers within 1.5 miles or Marbled Murrelet Management Areas within 330 feet of this sale.

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, revised 2003. 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. 76 pp.

Operational Considerations

Current northern spotted owl survey results are valid until March 15, 2007. Marbled murrelet survey results are valid until April 1, 2010. All timber should be felled by March 15, 2007.

Future Survey Plans

ODF has no plans for further survey of this sale. However, 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. Marbled murrelet surveys are not scheduled to be conducted within 0.25 miles of the sale at this time.

Survey Results Summary

Table 1. Northern Spotted Owl Surveys of Ground Hog (surveyed as Air Hog and Hog It in 2003)

Year	Visit #1	Visit #2	Visit #3	Visit #4	Visit #5	Visit #6
Survey Area	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Air Hog	5/12-13	6/16-17	7/21-22			
	5/13-14					
2003	NR	NR	NR			
Hog It	5/12-13	6/16-17	7/21-22			
	5/13-14					
2003	NR	NR	NR			
Ground Hog	5/10-11	6/15-16	7/21-22			
	5/11-12	6/16-17	7/22-23			
2004	NR	NR	NR			

NR - no response	j - juvenile	M ₀ - mouse refused	M ₄ - 4 mice taken
V - visual response	jj - 2 juveniles	M ₁ - 1mice taken	M ₅ - 5 mice taken
bb - new bird banded	■ - last visit to site	M ₂ - 2 mice taken	M ₆ - 6 mice taken
		M ₃ - 3 mice taken	
♂♂ ♂♂ ♂♂ - Pair (day, night, early morning)		♀ ♀ ♀ - Female (day, night, early morning)	
♂ ♂ ♂ - Male (day, night, early morning)		○ ⊗ ⊙ - Sex Unkn (day, night, early morning)	

Table 2. Marbled Murrelet Surveys of Ground Hog (surveyed as Air Hog in 2003)

Survey Area	Site	Station	Date	# Detections
AIR HOG	1	2	5/12/2003	0
AIR HOG	1	1	5/29/2003	0
AIR HOG	1	2	6/23/2003	0
AIR HOG	1	1	7/14/2003	0
AIR HOG	1	2	7/21/2003	0
GROUND HOG	1	1	5/3/2004	0
GROUND HOG	1	2	5/27/2004	0
GROUND HOG	1	1	6/17/2004	0
GROUND HOG	1	2	7/1/2004	0
GROUND HOG	1	2	7/7/2004	0