

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

(Recovery – Scaled Sale)

SALE NAME/NO.: Gnat Hunt Salvage 341-07-91

AUCTION DATE/TIME: June 26, 2007, starting at 2:00 p.m.

AUCTION LOCATION: Oregon Department of Forestry
Astoria District Headquarters
92219 Highway 202
Astoria, Oregon 97103
(503) 325-5451 FAX (503) 325-2756
(4 miles SE of Astoria on Highway 202)

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HARVEST TYPE: This timber sale is a salvage operation of blown down timber located within partial cut stands from the Rock Creek S.I. (341-03-07), Bigfoot Combination (341-05-64), Shingle Mill Road (341-05-86), West Hunt Creek (341-05-56), and Hunt Creek LSD (341-02-12) timber sales, consisting of approximately 286 salvage acres.

Areas 1, 2, 3, 4, 6 through 15 – These stands were “auto-mark” partial cut two to four years ago, are approximately 50- to 80-years-old, consisting of moderate sized, western hemlock, Douglas-fir and Sitka spruce and other mixed conifer and some alder. Wind storms have significantly damaged portions of these stands, resulting in several large patches and scattered blowdown. These stands will be salvage logged, harvesting only those trees blown down and those that are root sprung (leaning).

Area 5 – This stand is similar to Area 4. This stand will be logged to salvage downed trees and the anticipated blowdown of the remaining standing trees.

Roadside Salvage: All blown down trees and standing trees which are leaning at an angle of 10 degrees or more from vertical, located within 100 feet of existing rocked roads located within the above listed timber sales.

SALE LOCATION: Timber Sale Areas are located in portions of Sections 23, 26, 31, and 36, T8N, R7W; Section 1, T7N, R7W; Sections 4, 5, and 6, T7N, R6W; and Sections 28, 29, 31, 32, and 33, T8N, R6W, W. M., Clatsop County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: West of milepost 78 on Highway 30, turn south onto the Big Noise Road system. Follow the West Big Noise Road approximately 1 mile. Sale Areas 1 and 2: Turn right onto the Rock Creek Crossover Road and then travel approximately ½ mile west and south to the sale area. Sale Areas 3, 4, 5, 6: Follow the West Big Noise Road approximately 3½ miles to Area 3.

Sale Area 7: Near milepost 76 on Oregon Highway 30, turn south onto the Shingle Mill Road. Go approximately 3 miles and turn right on SM 200 and turn left onto to SM 201-A. Sale Area 8: On Shingle Mill Road, go approximately 1½ miles from Hwy 30 and turn left on West Hunt Creek Road, and then travel approximately 1 mile, staying to the right.

Sale Areas 9 through 15: All sale areas are located generally along the Nicolai Mainline road, south of U.S. Highway 30. Turn south onto the Nicolai Mainline at mile post 75 at Bradley Summit. Sale areas are located 1.5 to 5.5 miles south of the highway along this road.

A key for the SM200 Road to access Area 7 may be obtained from the Astoria District Headquarters.

SPECIAL REMARKS:

SEASONAL RESTRICTIONS APPLY - SEE SECTION 2455.

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Timber sale acreages were determined by using aerial photos and GIS.

SALE OBJECTIVES:

This sale is aligned with the objectives of the NWO Forest Management Plan. The Plan presents guiding principles, a forest vision, and resource management goals.

Guiding Principles (in part) – To secure the greatest permanent value of these lands to the state, the State Forester shall maintain these lands as forest lands and actively manage them in a sound environmental manner to provide sustainable timber harvest and revenues to the state, counties, and local taxing districts. This management focus is not exclusive of other forest resources but must be pursued within a broader management context.

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: Gnat Hunt Salvage
COUNTY: Clatsop
CONTRACT NO.: 341-07-91

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Gnat Hunt Salvage**

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OPENING DATE: **June 26, 2007**

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:

Western hemlock/true 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:

Douglas-fir	\$291.51 per MBF.
Sitka spruce and other conifers	\$160.00 per MBF.
Western red cedar	\$871.23 per MBF.
Red alder and other hardwoods	\$605.89 per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$41,400**, 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. **If the undersigned fails to qualify within the thirty-day period, STATE may disqualify the undersigned from submitting another bid on this timber sale.**

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.]



Oregon

Theodore R. Kulongoski, Governor

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"STEWARDSHIP IN FORESTRY"

Biological Survey Report

Project: Gnat Hunt Salvage
Date: April 24, 2007
To: Dan Goody
CC: Tom Savage, District Sale File
From: Marcia Humes 

Habitat Suitability

This salvage sale contains potential habitat for marbled murrelets in Area 6 only.

All sale areas have been recently logged (since 1998) and are not considered to be suitable habitat for northern spotted owls.

Survey Results

Surveys for marbled murrelets were conducted in 2002 and 2003 for Area 6, using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group¹. Murrelets were not detected during these surveys.

Surveys for northern spotted owls are not necessary for this sale.

Known T&E Resources

There are no northern spotted owl activity centers within 1.5 miles or Marbled Murrelet Management Areas within 0.25 miles of this sale.

Operational Considerations

Marbled murrelet survey results are valid until April 1, 2009. All timber should be felled by April 1, 2009.

¹ Evans, D. M., W. P. Ritchie, S. K. Nelson, E. Kuo-Harrison, Peter Harrison, T. E. Hamer, eds. 2003. Methods for surveying marbled murrelets in forests: an revised protocol for land management and research. Unpublished report for the Pacific Seabird Group Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee. 76 pp.

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.

Survey Results Summary

Table 1. Marbled Murrelet Surveys of Gnat Hunt Salvage (surveyed as Bigfoot Combination)

Survey Area	Site	Station	Date	# Detections
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	1	05/17/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	3	06/10/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	5	06/25/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	2	07/04/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	4	07/25/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	3	05/12/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	2	05/20/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	1	06/06/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	4	07/01/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	1	5	07/15/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	5	05/06/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	4	05/30/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	3	06/10/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	1	06/30/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	2	07/21/2002	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	4	05/12/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	3	05/20/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	1	06/06/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	5	07/01/2003	0
BIGFOOT COMBINATION	2	2	07/15/2003	0