

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

(Recovery – Scaled Sale)

SALE NAME/NO.: Grasslands Thinning 341-08-45

AUCTION DATE/TIME: July 17, 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)

DISTRICT/UNIT OFFICE (MAILING ADDRESS FOR BIDS): Oregon Department of Forestry
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HARVEST TYPE: Areas 1 and 2: 331 acres of "automark" partial cut of approximately 35-year-old Douglas-fir. Volume to be removed in Areas 1 and 2 is approximately 7.2 MBF/acre.
Areas A, B, C, D, and E: 5 acres of "group selection" of approximately 35-year-old Douglas-fir. Volume to be removed in Areas A, B, C, D, and E is approximately 16.5 MBF/acre.
Area 3 (R/W): There are 10 acres of in-sale R/W consisting of Douglas-fir, other conifers, and hardwoods. Volume to be removed in Area 3 R/W is approximately 22 MBF/acre.

SALE LOCATION: Sale areas are located in portions of Sections 10, 11, 14, 15, and 22, T5N, R6W, W.M., Clatsop County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: Sale areas can be accessed from Astoria or Vernonia via Highway 202. Turn south onto Jones Road at approximately Milepost 38. Proceed 2.0 miles south on Jones Road to the East Sager Creek Road junction. Proceed approximately 3.5 miles on East Sager Creek Road to Area 2.

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	14.5"	2,696							473	1,773	450								
Sale Total		2,696																	

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir \$244.52 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Western hemlock/true fir and other conifers..... \$100.00 per MBF
Western redcedar \$840.00 per MBF
Red alder and other hardwoods..... \$380.00 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 \$47,078 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 (\$48,000), whichever is greater. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: October 31, 2010 BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$61,200 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: Area 1: 31% cable yarding and 69% ground-based yarding.
Area 2: 35% cable yarding and 65% ground-based yarding.
Area 3: 100% ground-based yarding (in-sale right-of-way).
Areas A, B, C, D, and E: 100% ground-based yarding.

PROJECTS: Project No. 1: Approximately 2.3 miles of sale access road construction; and 1.8 miles of road improvement.

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 Astoria ODF District at (503) 325-5451 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.**

Timber sale acreage was determined by mapping sale areas on an ortho photograph and using ArcView to calculate acres.

All new construction sale access roads are unsurfaced roads that will be limited to seasonal use. Log hauling will not be permitted on Grasslands Road from October 1 through April 30.

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: Grasslands Thinning
COUNTY: Clatsop
CONTRACT NO.: 341-08-45

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Grasslands Thinning**

TIMBER SALE NO.: **341-08-45**

OPENING DATE: **July 17, 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:

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/true fir and other conifers.....\$100.00 per MBF.
Western redcedar.....\$840.00 per MBF.
Red alder and other hardwoods.....\$380.00 per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of \$61,200, 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

**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: Grasslands Thinning
Date: March 21, 2007
To: Ty Williams
CC: Tom Savage, District Sale File
From: Marcia Humes *Marcia*

Habitat Suitability

This sale contains does not contain suitable habitat for northern spotted owls or potential habitat for marbled murrelets.

Survey Results

Surveys for northern spotted owls are not necessary for this sale. However, surveys for northern spotted owls were conducted in the vicinity of this sale in 2005 and 2006, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service¹, because of its location within a historic spotted owl home range. Northern spotted owls were not observed during these surveys.

Surveys for marbled murrelets are not necessary for this sale.

Known T&E Resources

There are no Marbled Murrelet Management Areas within 0.25 miles of this sale.

This sale is within the known home range of a northern spotted owl, as defined in the Agreement for the Conservation of Northern Spotted Owls (Agreement). ODF has conducted a Biological Assessment and has concluded that Grasslands Thinning poses a low risk to the spotted owl site. Grasslands Thinning will not modify suitable habitat and will not reduce the amount of suitable habitat within any spotted owl home range.

Because some stands in the sale area may exceed 40 years of age at the time of treatment, ODF consulted with the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service on the sale. ODF

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



