

**NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE****(Recovery – Scaled Sale)**

SALE NAME/NO.: Grassland 341-13-27

AUCTION DATE/TIME: June 18, 2013, starting at 2:00 p.m.

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

HARVEST TYPE: Areas 1 and 2: Approximately 119 acres of modified clearcut, removing approximately 26.8 MBF/acre of Douglas-fir and western hemlock.  
Area 3: Approximately 187 acres of partial cut, removing approximately 25.5 MBF/acre of Douglas-fir and western hemlock.  
Area 4: Approximately 5 acres of right-of-way removing approximately 26.8 MBF/acre of timber similar to Areas 1 and 2.

SALE LOCATION: Timber Sale Areas are located in portions of Sections 15, 16, 17, and 20, T5N, R6W, W.M., Clatsop County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: All areas can be accessed from Astoria or Vernonia via Highway 202. Turn south onto Wage Road (county) near Milepost 30. Proceed south approximately 3.0 miles on Wage Road to Wageland Road. Turn east onto Wageland Road and proceed to the junction of Grassland Road to the western boundary of Area 1.

**APPRAISED VOLUMES AND QUALITY:**

SPECIES	AVG DBH	TOTAL MBF	GRADES BY MBF													
			1P	3P	P	SM	1S	2S	3S	4S	5S	6S	SEL	SC	UT	CR
Douglas-fir	17"	8,045						4,846	2,737	462						
W Hem. / fir	13"	41						22	3	16						
Sale Total		8,086														

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir..... \$380.11 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Western hemlock/true fir and other conifers .... \$288.55 per MBF  
Red alder and other hardwoods ..... \$360.14 per MBF  
Western redcedar and other cedars ..... \$805.14 per MBF

In order to compensate PURCHASER for Project Work, ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$484,321 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). Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: October 31, 2015

BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$258,500

SALE TYPE: Recovery/BOF - 100%

INSURANCE: \$2,000,000 Commercial General Liability; \$2,000,000 Automobile Liability;  
\$2,000,000 Logger's Broad Form.

HARVEST METHOD: Area 1: 100% ground-based yarding and 0% cable yarding.  
Area 2: 100% ground-based yarding and 0% cable yarding.  
Area 3: 84% ground-based yarding and 16% cable yarding.  
Area 4 R/W: 100% ground-based yarding.

PROJECTS: Project No. 1: Approximately 1.1 miles of sale access road construction.  
Project No. 2: Approximately 3.4 miles of road improvement.  
Project No. 3: Rock Quarry Development and Crushing at Buster Quarry.  
Project No. 4: Approximately 3.8 miles of Road Vacating and Fill Removal.  
Project No. 5: Stream Enhancement.

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. In some cases, ODF may require that initiation of operations be delayed to allow for completion of spot check surveys, as recommended by the USFWS survey protocol and required by ODF policy. 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 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: **NO PERSONAL OR COMPANY CHECKS ACCEPTED FOR THE BID DEPOSIT.**  
**SEASONAL RESTRICTIONS APPLY - SEE SECTION 2455.**

Seasonal restrictions for nesting spotted owls, from March 1 through July 7, are in effect for blasting in the quarry unless waived by STATE (Sections 2310, 2455 and 2610).

No felling, except for felling associated with project work, shall be allowed prior to the completion of the 2013 northern spotted owl surveys indicating no resident spotted owls (Sections 2310, 2455 and 2610).

Project Nos. 1, 2, and 3 must be completed October 31, 2014 (Section 2620).

Project Nos. 4 and 5 must be completed August 31, 2015 (Section 2620).

Snag Creation is required in Area 2 – See Section 2335.

Pulp removal is required in Areas 1 and 2 – See Section 2045.

This contract requires machine washing to prevent the spread of noxious weeds (Section 2416).

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:** Grassland  
**COUNTY:** Clatsop  
**CONTRACT NO.:** 341-13-27

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Grassland**

TIMBER SALE NO.: **341-13-27**

OPENING DATE: **June 18, 2013**

## **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:

Red alder and other hardwoods ..... **\$360.14** per MBF.  
Western redcedar and other cedars..... **\$805.14** per MBF.  
Western hemlock/true fir and other conifers ..... **\$288.55** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a \_\_\_\_\_ in the amount of **\$258,500**, 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 directly or indirectly export the unprocessed State timber as defined in OAR 629-031-0020 which is the subject of this transaction.
- (b) Shall not engage in export of unprocessed timber originating from private lands in Oregon until such time as all interests in contracts for State timber held by the above have terminated, per OAR 629-031-0010(1)(d).
- (c) 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.
- (d) 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.
- (e) 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.
- (f) Have not directly or indirectly 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

John A. Kitzhaber, MD, Governor

## Department of Forestry

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"STEWARDSHIP IN  
FORESTRY"

## Biological Survey Report

**Project:** Grassland  
**Date:** April 10, 2013  
**To:** Ty Williams  
**CC:** Tom Savage, District Sale File  
**From:** Matt Gostin

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### Habitat Suitability

This sale contains potentially suitable habitat for northern spotted owls. This sale is located in the Marbled Murrelet Systematic Survey Zone. By ODF policy, operational marbled murrelet surveys are not required.

### Survey Results

This sale was surveyed for northern spotted owls in 2011 and 2012, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service<sup>1,2</sup>. Northern spotted owls were not observed during these surveys. Surveys are ongoing in 2013.

Surveys for marbled murrelets are not necessary for this sale.

### Known T&E Resources

The quarry expansion associated with this sale is within 1.5 miles of a northern spotted owl activity center. A Biological Assessment of the quarry expansion's impact on the activity center has been conducted. It concludes the quarry expansion and

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<sup>1</sup> USDI Fish and Wildlife Service. 2012. Protocol for surveying proposed management activities that may impact northern spotted owls. 42pp.

<sup>2</sup> Oregon Department of Forestry, June 1, 2010. Policy bulletin SFB – 10-03, Northern Spotted Owl Policy Update - Northern Spotted Owl Survey Protocol.

blasting, as currently proposed, will result in a low risk to continued use and productivity of the owl site.

There are no Marbled Murrelet Management Areas affecting this sale or the quarry expansion.

### **Operational Considerations**

Seasonal restrictions for nesting spotted owls, from March 1 through July 7, are in effect for blasting in the quarry unless waived by STATE.

No felling, except for felling associated with project work, shall be allowed prior to the completion of the 2013 northern spotted owl surveys indicating no resident spotted owls.

Current northern spotted owl survey results are valid until March 15, 2015. After the 2013 surveys are completed, the survey results will be valid until March 15, 2016.

Felling restrictions for spotted owl spot check surveys, which will be conducted in 2014 and 2015, are not required for this sale at this time.

All timber should be felled by March 15, 2016.

### **Future Survey Plans**

ODF plans to conduct spotted owl surveys in 2013 to extend the duration of the sale contract. Spotted owl spot check surveys for this timber sale will be required in 2014 and 2015. In addition, ODF has an active survey program and northern spotted owl surveys and activity center monitoring will be conducted within 3 miles of this sale during the life of the contract.

## Table 1. Northern Spotted Owl Surveys of Grasslands

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