

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

SALE NAME/NO.: Skywalker

AUCTION DATE/TIME: February 18, 2014, 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

341-14-33

DISTRICT/UNIT: Oregon Department of Forestry

OFFICE (MAILING): Astoria District Headquarters

ADDRESS FOR BIDS): 92219 Highway 202
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4 miles SE of Astoria on Highway 202

HARVEST TYPE: **Area 1:** 239 acres of partial cut. Approximately 73-year-old Douglas-fir and other conifers. Volume to be removed in Area 1 is approximately 25.3 MBF/acre. **Area 1(a), 1(b), and 1(c)** are group selection areas that range in size from 0.75 to 1.5 acres within Area 1 and total 4 acres. The timber to be removed in this area is similar to that in Area 1 and averages 57.3 MBF/acre.

Areas 2 and 3: 71 acres of first entry thinning of approximately 39-year-old Douglas fir dominated stands. The average Douglas-fir diameter to be harvested from these units is 13.9 inches DBH and 7.2 MBF/acre.

Area 4 R/W: There are 6 acres of in-sale R/W similar to the timber description of Area 1. Volume to be removed in Area 4 is approximately 19.8 MBF/acre.

SALE LOCATION: Timber Sale Areas are located in portions of Sections 7, 8, 17, and 18, T5N, R6W, W.M., Clatsop County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: All Sale Areas can be accessed from Astoria or Vernonia via Highway 202. Turn south onto Wage Road near Milepost 30 and proceed approximately 1.5 miles to Area 3.

APPRAISED VOLUMES AND QUALITY:

SPECIES	AVG DBH	TOTAL MBF	GRADES BY MBF											
			1P	3P	P	SM	1S	2S	3S	4S	5S	6S	SEL	SC
Douglas-fir	17"	6,853						3,860	2,534	459				
W Hem. / fir	20"	49						31	17	1				
Red alder	17"	5												5
Sale Total		6,907												

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir \$363.07 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Red alder and other hardwoods \$343.35 per MBF
Western hemlock and other conifers \$240.11 per MBF
Western redcedar and other cedars \$833.73 per MBF

In order to compensate PURCHASER for Project Work, ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$445,089 after the project work is completed and accepted, as described in Section 2630, "Credit for Project Work."

The Timber Sale Area contains 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 (\$446,000) whichever is greater. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit

EXPIRATION DATE: October 31, 2016 BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$205,600 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: 28% cable yarding and 72% ground-based yarding.
Area 2: 100% ground-based yarding.
Area 3: 79% cable yarding and 21% ground-based yarding.
Area 4 R/W: 100% ground-based yarding.

PROJECTS: Project No. 1: Approximately 1.3 miles of sale access road and landing construction.
Project No. 2: Approximately 5.6 miles of sale access road improvement.
Project No. 3: Quarry development and rock crushing, with approximately 1,001 cy of pit-run and riprap development and 17,900 cy of rock crushing.
Project No. 4: Approximately 600 feet of road vacating and fill removal.

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.
Project Nos. 1, 2, 3, and 4 must be completed by October 31, 2014.
This contract requires machine washing to prevent the spread of noxious weeds (Section 2416).
Timber sale acreage's were determined by using aerial photos and GIS.
All felling must be completed by March 15, 2016.
Pulp removal is required if yarded to landing in Areas 2 and 3.
Snag Creation (Section 2335).

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: Skywalker
COUNTY: Clatsop
CONTRACT NO.: 341-14-33

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Skywalker**

TIMBER SALE NO.: **341-14-33**

OPENING DATE: **February 18, 2014**

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 **\$343.35** per MBF.
Western hemlock and other conifers..... **\$240.11** per MBF.
Western redcedar and other cedars..... **\$833.73** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$205,600**, 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 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

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"STEWARDSHIP IN
FORESTRY"

Biological Survey Report

Project: Skywalker
Date: January 7, 2014
To: Ty Williams
CC: Tom Savage, District Sale File
From: Matt Gostin

Habitat Suitability

This sale contains potentially suitable habitat for northern spotted owls in area 1 only. 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 2012 and 2013, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service^{1,2}. 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 northern spotted owl activity centers or Marbled Murrelet Management Areas affecting this sale. However, quarry expansion as a part of project work will be occurring within 1.5 miles of a known spotted owl activity center.

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

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

Operational Considerations

Seasonal operation restrictions for blasting, as part of the quarry expansion, will be in effect March 1 through July 7 of any year unless waived by STATE

Felling restrictions for spotted owl spot check surveys are not required for this sale at this time.

Current northern spotted owl survey results are valid until March 15, 2016.

All timber should be felled by March 15, 2016.

Future Survey Plans

Spotted owl spot check surveys for timber sale area 1 will be required in 2014 and 2015. 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 Skywalker

Survey Area Year	Visit #1 Date	Visit #2 Date	Visit #3 Date	Visit #4 Date	Visit #5 Date	Visit #6 Date
Skywalker	3/30-31 4/1 4/1-2 4/2-3	4/26-27 4/28 4/28-29 4/30-5/1	5/23 5/23-24	6/16-17 6/18 6/18-19	7/11 7/11-12 7/12-13 7/13 7/13-14	7/31-8/1 8/1 8/1-2
2012	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR	NR
Skywalker	3/25-26 3/26 3/26-27	4/25-26 4/26 4/26-27 4/27 4/27-28 4/29-30	5/20 5/20-21 5/24 5/24-25 5/25-26 5/26-27	6/18 6/18-19 6/19 6/19-20 6/20 6/20-21	7/14-15 7/15 7/15-16 7/16 7/16-17	7/31-8/1 8/1 8/1-2 8/2 8/2-3
2013	NR	NR	NR	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 Sparred –spotted/barred M ₃ - 3 mice taken hybrid Unk Strix – unknown strix species owl ♀ ♂ ♂ - Pair (day, night, early morning) ♀ ♀ ♀ - Female (day, night, early morning) ♂ ♂ ♂ - Male (day, night, early morning) ○ ⊗ ⊗ - Sex Unk (day, night, early morning)						