

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

SALE NAME/NO.: Tilden Top 341-15-104

AUCTION DATE/TIME: June 18, 2015, starting at 2:00 p.m.

AUCTION LOCATION: Oregon Department of Forestry
Western Lane District Headquarters
87950 Territorial Hwy
Veneta, Oregon 97487
(541) 935-2283 Fax (541) 935-0731

DISTRICT/UNIT: Oregon Department of Forestry
OFFICE (MAILING): Western Lane District Headquarters
ADDRESS FOR BIDS: 87950 Territorial Hwy
Veneta, Oregon 97487

HARVEST TYPE: 85 acres (net) of modified clearcut. Approximate age 63.

SALE LOCATION: Portions of Sections 24 and 25, T17S, R9W, W.M., Lane County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: From Veneta, Oregon, travel west on 126 for 24 miles to Richardson's Road. Turn right and cross the bridge; then turn left on Stagecoach Road and travel 5.2 miles to San Antone Road. Go 1 mile on San Antone Road to Tilden Ridge Road. Follow Tilden Ridge Road for approx. 5 miles to the Timber Sale Area. (No gate keys required)

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
Douglas-fir	14	970							394	424	152							
W Hem. / fir	15	508							262	160	86							
Red Alder	12	321															321	
Big Leaf Maple	14	37															37	
Sale Total		1,836																

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir..... \$193.07 per MBF
Western hemlock and other conifers \$ 96.71 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Western redcedar and other cedars \$813.71 per MBF
Red alder and other hardwoods \$216.69 per MBF

In order to compensate PURCHASER for Project Work, ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$72,547 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 (\$73000) whichever is greater, not to exceed \$500,000. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: March 31, 2017 BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$24,100 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: 100% (85 acres) cable logging.

PROJECTS: Construct and surface 2,100 feet of ridgetop road. Improve and surface approximately 1.6 miles of existing road. Conduct maintenance on approximately 5.5 miles of road.

FEES: No fees.

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. Also, legal challenges and other litigation regarding ODF threatened and endangered species related processes may occur and may affect operations contemplated under the contract. In the event a threatened or endangered species is found within or near this sale, or efforts are required to respond to legal issues, 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 Western Lane District at (541) 935-2283 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.

All felling must be completed by March 15, 2017 (Section 2310).

Log hauling from October 31 to April 15 is subject to a "Loads/Day" limitation during wet weather.

Road construction shall not be allowed from October 15 through May 1 unless otherwise approved in writing by STATE

Pulp removal is optional.

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: Tilden Top
COUNTY: Lane
CONTRACT NO.: 341-15-104

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Tilden Top**

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OPENING DATE: **June 18, 2015**

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.

Western hemlock and other conifers, 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 redcedar and other cedars **\$813.71** per MBF.
Red alder and other hardwoods **\$216.69** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$24,100**, 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)

EMPLOYER _____
IDENTIFICATION _____
NUMBER (EIN) _____

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 that is not a STATE's approved location.
- (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

Kate Brown, Governor

Department of Forestry

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"STEWARDSHIP IN
FORESTRY"

Biological Survey Report

Project: Tilden Top
Date: April 20, 2015
To: Ole Buch
CC: Link Smith, District Sale File
From: Matt Gostin

Habitat Suitability

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

Survey Results

This sale was surveyed for northern spotted owls in 2013 and 2014, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service^{1,2}. Northern spotted owls were observed on one occasion in 2013. An unknown *Strix* owl species was also observed in 2013. These observations were attributed to a known activity center within 1.5 miles of the timber sale.

Surveys for marbled murrelets were conducted in 2010 and 2011, using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group³. Murrelets were not detected during these surveys.

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.

³ Evans Mack, D., W. P. Ritchie, S. K. Nelson, E. Kuo-Harrison, P. Harrison, T. E. Hamer, eds. 2003. Methods for surveying marbled murrelets in forests: a revised protocol for land management and research. Unpublished report for the Pacific Seabird Group Marbled Murrelet Technical Committee. 76 pp.

Known T&E Resources

This sale is within 1.5 miles of two northern spotted owl activity centers. A Biological Assessment of the sale's impact on the activity centers has been conducted. It concludes that the Tilden Top timber sale, as currently planned, poses low risk of negatively affecting the northern spotted owl sites.

There are no Marbled Murrelet Management Areas affecting this sale.

Operational Considerations

Due to the presence of barred owls, 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, 2017.

Marbled murrelet survey results are valid until April 1, 2017.

All timber should be felled by March 15, 2017.

Future Survey Plans

Spotted owl spot check surveys for this timber sale will be required in 2015 and 2016. In addition, ODF has an active northern spotted owl survey program and spot checks, surveys for other planned operations, and activity center monitoring 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 Tilden Top

Survey Area	Visit #1	Visit #2	Visit #3	Visit #4	Visit #5	Visit #6
Year	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date	Date
Tilden Top	4/8-9 4/9-10 4/10-11	4/29-30 4/30-5/1 5/1-2	5/28-29 5/29-30 5/30-31	6/23-24 6/24-25	7/21-22 7/22-23 7/23-24	8/5-6 8/7-8 8/8-9
2013	NR	○ STVA	NR STVA	NR	NR STVA	UNK STRIX
Tilden Top	4/7-8 4/8-9 4/9-10	5/2 5/5-6 5/6-7	5/30-31 6/2-3	6/23-24 6/24-25	7/13-14 7/14-15 7/15-16	7/29-30 7/30-31 7/31-8/1
2014	STVA	STVA	NR	NR	NR	STVA
Tilden Top (Spot Check)	4/6-7 4/7-8 4/8-9 NR	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD	TBD
2015						

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)	○ ⊗ ⊙ - Sex Unk (day, night, early morning)

Table 2. Marbled Murrelet Surveys of Tilden Top.

Site 1	Visit 1	Visit 2	Visit 3	Visit 4	Visit 5	Visit 6	Visit 7	Visit 8	Visit 9
Tilden Top	5/7	5/21	6/2	6/9	6/17	7/2	7/12	7/19	7/27
Year 1 (2010)	0 detections								
Tilden Top	5/10	5/27	6/11	6/21	6/28	7/9	7/16	7/23	7/30
Year 2 (2011)	0 detections								