

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

SALE NAME/NO.: Tilden Switchback 341-18-108

AUCTION DATE/TIME: April 20, 2018, starting at 10:00 a.m.

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

DISTRICT/UNIT
OFFICE (MAILING
ADDRESS FOR BIDS): Oregon Department of Forestry
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HARVEST TYPE: 107 acres of modified clearcut, removing approximately 51 MBF/acre of 78-year-old timber.

SALE LOCATION: Portions of Section 29, T17S, R8W, W.M., Lane County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER
SALE AREA: From Veneta at the intersection of Territorial and OR-126, travel west on OR-126 for 23.3 miles to Richardson Road. Turn right and cross the bridge; then turn left on Old Stagecoach Road traveling west for 5.3 miles to San Antone Road. Turn right onto San Antone Road and travel north approximately 1 mile to the Timber Sale Area.

APPRAISED VOLUMES AND QUALITY:

SPECIES	AVG DBH	TOTAL MBF	GRADES BY MBF												
			SM	1S	2S	3S	4S	5S	6S	SEL	SC	UT	CR	WRM	PLP
Douglas-fir	19	4,263	298		2,643	1,109	213								
W Hem. / fir	17	875			429	385	61								
Red Alder	12	273											273		
Bigleaf Maple	14	55											55		
Sale Total		5,466													

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir \$ 525.57 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Western hemlock/fir and other conifers... \$ 295.84 per MBF

Western redcedar and other cedars \$1,280.00 per MBF

Red alder \$ 318.45 per MBF

Bigleaf maple and other hardwoods..... \$ 41.05 per MBF

In order to compensate PURCHASER for Project Work, ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$387,032 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 (\$388,000) whichever is greater, not to exceed \$500,000. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: May 31, 2021 BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$220,100 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: 93% (99 Acres) cable yarding, 7% (8 Acres) ground based.

PROJECTS: Construct and surface 0.67 miles of new roads and install gate. Improve 1.9 miles of existing road.

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. 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.

Pulp removal is optional.

All felling on the Timber Sale Areas must be completed by March 15, 2021 (Sections 2310 and 2455).

Log hauling on unsurfaced roads shall not be allowed from October 31 through April 30.

Log hauling from October 31 to April 30 is subject to a "Loads/Day limitation during wet weather".

Road construction shall not be allowed from October 31 through April 30 unless otherwise approved by STATE in writing.

No felling, except for felling associated with project work, shall be allowed prior to October 1, 2018 unless otherwise approved by STATE.

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. The handbook can be accessed online at: <http://www.oregon.gov/ODF/Working/pages/TimberSales.aspx>

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COUNTY: Lane
CONTRACT NO.: 341-18-108

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Tilden Switchback**

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OPENING DATE: **April 20, 2018**

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/fir and other conifers \$ **295.84** per MBF.
Western redcedar and other cedars \$ **1,280.00** per MBF.
Red alder \$ **318.45** per MBF.
Bigleaf maple and other hardwoods \$ **41.05** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$220,100**, 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 _____
BUSINESS EMAIL _____
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

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"STEWARDSHIP IN
FORESTRY"

Biological Survey Report

Project: Tilden Switchback
Date: February 7, 2018
To: Ole Buch
CC: Link Smith, District Sale File
From:  Matt Gostin
2018.02.07 16:41:23 -08'00'

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 2016 and 2017, using a protocol endorsed by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service^{1,2}. Northern spotted owls were not observed during these surveys. Surveys are ongoing in 2018 to extend the contract felling date.

Surveys for marbled murrelets were conducted for this sale in 2016 and 2017, using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group³. There were no detections of marbled murrelets 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, November 1, 2017. 1.2, Northern Spotted Owl Policy

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 a northern spotted owl activity center. Since this sale falls within a non-baseline activity center as identified in the Safe Harbor Agreement (SHA) with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service (USFWS), a Biological Assessment of the sale's potential impact is not required by ODF policy.

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.

No felling, except for felling associated with project work, shall be allowed prior to the completion of the 2018 northern spotted owl surveys indicating no resident spotted owls.

Current northern spotted owl survey results are valid until March 15, 2020. Northern spotted owl survey results will be valid until March 15, 2021 upon the completion of 2018 surveys.

Marbled murrelet survey results are valid until April 1, 2023.

All timber should be felled by March 15, 2021.

Future Survey Plans

ODF has entered into an agreement with the USFWS known as a SHA. This agreement allows the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) to conduct a study on ODF managed lands which includes population reduction measures on barred owls to assess the impacts on northern spotted owls. This Contract contains sale areas within the USGS study boundary. Under this agreement, if nesting northern spotted owls are found in or within close proximity of the timber sale, the nest and surrounding area would be protected until fledglings leave the nest utilizing seasonal restrictions and other measures. In addition, ODF may take other actions including retaining and protecting trees in the immediate area of a nest tree.

Spotted owl spot check surveys for this timber sale will be required in 2019 and 2020. 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.