

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

SALE NAME/NO.: Thin Women 341-19-19

AUCTION DATE/TIME: February 14, 2019 starting at 10:00 a.m.

AUCTION LOCATION: Oregon Department of Forestry
West Oregon District Headquarters
24533 Alsea Highway
Philomath, Oregon 97370-9112
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HARVEST TYPE: Area 1A: Approximately 53 net acres of modified clearcut of 33-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 1B: Approximately 12 net acres of automark thinning of 33-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 1C: Approximately 4 net acres of modified clearcut of 33-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 2: Approximately 13 net acres of automark thinning of 33-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 3: Approximately 22 net acres of automark thinning of 38-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 4: Approximately 43 net acres of automark thinning of 38- to 50-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 5: Approximately 38 net acres of automark thinning of 39-year-old planted Douglas-fir.
Area 6: Approximately 1 net acre of modified clearcut of 80-year-old Douglas-fir.

SALE LOCATION: Portions of Section 34, T9S, R8W; and portions of Sections 4 & 5, T10S, R8W, W.M., Polk County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO TIMBER SALE AREA: From Philomath, travel west on Highway 20 for 10.3 miles. Turn right onto the Summit Highway (OR-180) and follow for 7.5 miles. Turn right on the Logsden Road and follow for 9.3 miles. Turn right on Steere Creek Road and turn left onto Beaver Creek Road and go another 2 miles to Area 2 (and Pt. 1) of the Timber Sale.

APPRAISED VOLUMES AND QUALITY:

SPECIES	AVG DBH	TOTAL MBF	GRADES BY MBF						
			SM	2S	3S	4S	SC	UT	CR
Douglas-fir	13"	1,932	19	229	1,237	447			
W Hem. / fir	16"	13		5	6	2			
Red Alder	12"	45							45
Sale Total		1,990							

MINIMUM BID: BID SPECIES Douglas-fir \$170.56 per MBF

NO-BID SPECIES Red alder and other hardwoods \$383.70 per MBF
Western Hemlock and other conifers \$239.97 per MBF
Western redcedar and other cedars \$675.87 per MBF

In order to compensate PURCHASER for Project Work, ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$54,001 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 (\$55,000) whichever is greater, not to exceed \$500,000. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

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

BID DEPOSIT: \$29,500 SALE TYPE: Recovery/BOF - 65%
CSL - 35%

10% of the net appraised value, not to exceed \$500,000. Bond amount will be rounded down to an even \$100 unit.

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

HARVEST METHOD: 69% Cable, 31% Ground-based.

PROJECTS: Project 1: Approximately 1.1 miles of sale access road construction.
Project 2: Approximately 7.4 miles of sale access 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. 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 West Oregon District at (541) 929-3266 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.

Portions of Areas 1, 3, 4, and 5 and portions of Projects 1 and 2 are located within the seasonally restricted buffer of a Marbled Murrelet Management Area (MMMA). Seasonal restrictions and protection requirements shall apply (Sections 1520, 2455, 2610, and FPA written plans).

Area 1C has a delayed felling date due to continuing T&E surveys. Felling may begin after August 5, 2019, or upon written approval by STATE. In the event that T&E species are detected, Area 1C may be dropped from the Timber Sale

(approximately 4 acres and 60 MBF) (Sections 1520 and 2455).

Operations in Area 2 must be completed by April 1, 2021 (Section 2455).

Felling in Areas 4 and 6 must be completed by March 15, 2020 (Sections 2310 and 2455).

Pulp removal is required if yarded to Landings (Section 2045).

Acreage was determined using a combination of GPS and GIS utilizing orthographic imagery and Lidar data.

Firewood sorting is required along surfaced roads and Landings (Section 2365).

PURCHASER shall ensure all ground-based yarding, earth disturbing, road construction, and road maintenance equipment moved onto State Forest land and between State Forest land sites are free of soil, seeds, vegetative matter, or other debris that could contain, or hold, seeds (Section 2416).

Approximately 37 acres of machine slash piling is required (Section 2560).

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>

SALE NAME:	Thin Women
COUNTY:	Polk
CONTRACT NO.:	341-19-19

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Thin Women**

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OPENING DATE: **February 14, 2019**

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 **\$383.70** per MBF.
Western Hemlock and other conifers **\$239.97** per MBF.
Western Red cedar and other cedars **\$675.87** per MBF.

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of **\$29,500**, 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)

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.]



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"STEWARDSHIP IN
FORESTRY"

Biological Survey Report

Project: Thin Women
Date: June 25, 2018
To: Evelyn Hukari
CC: Mike Totey, District Sale File
From:  Matt Gostin
2018.06.25 09:03:54 -07'00'

Habitat Suitability

All sale areas are adjacent to suitable marbled murrelet habitat.

Areas 4 and 6 contain potentially suitable habitat for northern spotted owls.

Survey Results

Areas 4 and 6 were 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 for sale areas 1, 2 and 4 were conducted for marbled murrelets in 2013 through 2016, using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group³. Marbled murrelet behaviors indicating occupancy were observed in Area 1 led to the establishment of a Marbled Murrelet Management Area (MMMA).

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.

Area 1C did not get proper marbled murrelet survey coverage and is being surveyed in 2018 and 2019. If surveys lack significant observations, then area 1C may be harvested after 8/5/2019.

Known T&E Resources

Some sale areas are partially within the buffer portion of MMMA's. A Biological Assessment of the sale and project work impacts on the MMMA's has been conducted. It concludes that the Thin Women timber sale, as currently proposed, is expected to have a low risk of incidental take of marbled murrelets.

There are no northern spotted owl activity centers affecting this sale.

Operational Considerations

- **Seasonal Restrictions for Felling**

Felling operations within MMMA buffers shall not be allowed from April 1 through August 5 or from August 6 through September 15 between 2 hours before sunset and two hours after sunrise.

Ground-based operations and cable yarding within MMMA buffers shall not be allowed from April 1 through August 5 or from August 6 through September 15 between 2 hours before sunset and two hours after sunrise.

The use of mechanized equipment, including chainsaws within MMMA buffers shall not be allowed from April 1 through August 5 or from August 6 through September 15 between two hours before sunset and two hours after sunrise.

Non-Project road and landing operations within MMMA buffers shall not be allowed from October 1 through August 5 or from August 6 through September 15 between two hours before sunset and two hours after sunrise.

- **Tailhold and Guyline use Restrictions**

The use of tailholds and guyline anchors are not seasonally restricted; however the use of heavy equipment or chainsaws to install these features are prohibited within the MMMA (occupied habitat and 100-m buffer) from April 1 through August 5. From August 6 through September 15, activities are allowed with daily timing restrictions. Daily timing restrictions prohibit the use of heavy machinery and chainsaws within 2 hours of sunrise and 2 hours of sunset. From September 16 to March 31, activities are unrestricted. If tailholds are installed during April 1 through August 5, non-mechanized methods such as an ax should be used and follow the guidelines as discussed in #5, below.

Specific criteria will be required for all tailholds and guylines to protect platform trees and associated cover trees in the MMMA from damage. The criteria are as follows:

1. The following trees in designated occupied habitat will **not** be selected for guylines or tailhold anchors:
 - a. Trees with potential nest platforms **or** immediately surrounding trees that provide cover to potential nest platforms;
 - b. The largest trees in areas where the number of large trees is limited;
 - c. Minor conifer tree species that are not commonly found in the stand.
 2. An ODF Area Biologist or a designee familiar with murrelet habitat and biology will inspect and approve all trees before each is used. Lead time of at least two weeks for all reviews or meetings with ODF representatives is required. No trees that are considered to be potential habitat or surrounding trees that provide cover to platform trees, as determined by an ODF Area Biologist or designee will be damaged or harvested.
 3. Guylines or skylines will not be placed where they have the potential to damage platforms or platform trees.
 4. No conifer trees will be felled within the designated occupied habitat of the MMMA.
 5. To protect trees used as guyline anchors, it is preferred that plates, nylon straps or other approved devices be utilized to prevent damage to trees. If this is not feasible, notching of the trees to prevent cable slippage will be limited to less than $\frac{1}{4}$ the circumference of the tree.
 6. If no suitable guyline or tailhold trees exist, operational equipment such as a Yoder, which does not require guylines, or a Cat, which may serve as a tailhold, may be used provided no designated occupied habitat is removed or destroyed when using such equipment.
- Road improvement and Landing Restrictions

Improvement of roads, landings, and yarding activities within the MMMA are seasonally restricted (from April 1 through August 5 then daily timing restriction from August 6 through September 15) to prevent disturbance to nesting murrelets. Tree removal should be done only to the extent necessary for the specific operation. To prevent damage to platform trees and associated cover trees in the MMMA, the following trees will **not** be selected for removal for road improvement, landing areas or cable corridors in buffers:

1. Trees with potential nest platforms or immediately surrounding trees that provide cover to potential nest platforms as determined by an Area Biologist or designee;
2. The largest trees in areas where the number of large trees is limited;
3. Minor conifer tree species that are not commonly found in the stand.

The following additional criteria apply to landings, road improvement, and in buffers:

1. Seek to move landings out of buffers.
2. Utilize single, parallel corridor-type landings when landings must be located in buffers.
3. If single, parallel corridor-type landings are not feasible and a spoke landing must be used, reduce the number of spoked corridors and keep away from dominant trees, particularly those that contain suitable nesting platforms. An ODF Area Biologist or a designee familiar with murrelet habitat and biology will inspect and approve all proposed road and landing locations. Lead time of at least two weeks for all reviews or meetings with ODF representatives is required. No trees that are considered to be potential habitat or surrounding trees that provide cover to platform trees, as determined by an ODF Area Biologist or designee will be damaged or harvested.
4. New landing construction in buffers will not exceed 0.25 acres in size.

- Trash removal

Trash policing and removal from all Sale Areas, landing and roadways must be done on a daily basis. Store all food items and food waste inside appropriate containers or vehicles. Birds such as jays and ravens eat a wide variety of foods, and presence of human food and food waste can increase jay and raven numbers. Do not feed wildlife in the Sale Areas. Failure to adhere to these guidelines will result in a temporary suspension of activities until all trash is removed.

Marbled murrelet survey results for A2 are valid until April 1, 2021.

Marbled murrelet survey results for A4 are valid until April 1, 2022.

Marbled murrelet survey results for 1C will be valid until April 1, 2025 once surveys have been completed.

Marbled murrelet survey results for A1 resulted in the creation of a MMMA and do not have survey expirations. All potentially suitable habitat within 100m of areas 3, 5, and 6 are designated as MMMA's and are not subject to felling date restrictions.

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 for areas 4 and 6 are valid until March 15, 2020.

All timber in areas 4 and 6 should be felled by March 15, 2020.

Future Survey Plans

ODF has an active northern spotted owl survey program and surveys for other planned operations will be conducted within 3 miles of this sale during the life of the contract.