

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE**Recovery Timber Sale**

NAME/NO.: Thin Bear

WO-341-2025-W01092-01

AUCTION DATE/TIME: November 21, 2024, starting at 10:00 AM

AUCTION LOCATION: West Oregon
24533 ALSEA HWY
PHILOMATH, OR 97370
(541) 929-3266 FAX: (541) 929-5549

DISTRICT/
OFFICE (MAILING
ADDRESS FOR BIDS): West Oregon
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HARVEST TYPE: Unit 1: Approximately 81 net acres of automark commercial thinning of 32 year-old Douglas-fir.
Unit 2: Approximately 33 net acres of automark commercial thinning of 31 year-old Douglas-fir.

LOCATION: Portions of Section(s) 7 of T11S R9W W.M., Lincoln County, Oregon.

DIRECTIONS TO
TIMBER
SALE AREA: From Philomath, travel approximately 28 miles west on Highway 20 and turn left onto the 5000 Line. Continue up the 5000 Line for 1.6 miles and turn right onto Bear Divide Road. Travel 0.7 miles on Bear Divide Road to Unit 2. Continue another 0.9 miles on Bear Divide Road to Unit 1.

APPRAISED VOLUMES AND QUALITY:

Conifer/Hwd	Species Group	Species	Product	AVG DBH	Grade	Volume	UOM	Diam. From	Diam. To	Length From	Length To
Conifers	Douglas-fir	Douglas-fir	Sawlog		3 M	298	MBF				
Conifers	Douglas-fir	Douglas-fir	Sawlog		4 M	396	MBF				
Sale Total:						694	MBF				

MINIMUM BID:

	Species Category	Species Group	Species	Product	Grade	Volume	Diameter From	Diameter To	Length From	Length To	Price	UOM
Bid	Conifers	Douglas-fir	Douglas-fir			694					\$205.08	MBF
No-Bid	Conifers					0					\$55.08	MBF
No-Bid	Conifers			Pulp		0					\$2.50	TON
No-Bid	Conifers	Cedar				0					\$580.08	MBF
No-Bid	Hardwood			Pulp		0					\$2.50	TON
No-Bid	Hardwood					0					\$25.00	MBF

All Utility logs are set at price above, which means material will be charged at the highest rate for that species.

In order to compensate PURCHASER for Project Work, ODF will credit PURCHASER's timber account in the amount of \$34,637.00 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 \$34,637.00 whichever is greater, not to exceed \$500,000. Actual bond amount will be rounded up to an even \$1,000 unit.

EXPIRATION DATE: 10/31/2026

BID METHOD: Sealed Bids

BID DEPOSIT: \$10,700.00 SALE TYPE: Recovery / BOF: 100.00%
CSL: 0.00%

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: 60% cable
40% ground-based

PROJECTS: 1 - Road Construction
2 - Road Improvement, Surface Rock Replacement, and Maintenance
3 - Road Brushing
4 - Equipment Move-in

FEES: None.

ENDANGERED SPECIES ACT COMPLIANCE STATEMENT: Purchasers are required to comply with all federal and state laws, including but not limited to the federal and State Endangered Species Act.

The Oregon Department of Forestry (ODF) is engaged in an active threatened and endangered (T&E) species survey program. ODF surveys its lands on a continuing basis for land management, species protection, research, and other reasons. Surveying efforts may take place in the Timber Sale Area anytime during the term of the Contract. Purchaser acknowledges that T&E survey work or the discovery of a threatened or endangered species within or in the vicinity of a timber sale may affect PURCHASER's Operations under the Contract, and PURCHASER agrees to cooperate with STATE's survey work and other activities designed to identify and protect T&E species. In the event any T&E species is found within or in the vicinity of the Area(s) of Operations, or the State otherwise deems it necessary or expedient to take action in response to any pending or threatened legal action concerning State forest land or any T&E species, PURCHASER agrees that STATE may take steps to protect the interests of the State, including imposing restrictions on PURCHASER's Operations under the Contract to prevent disturbance to T&E species, including Contract modification, suspension, or termination.

PURCHASER also acknowledges that at some point during the Contract term, the STATE may also become subject to terms and conditions of Incidental Take Permits issued by the federal government covering State forest lands. PURCHASER agrees that any Operations that occur following issuance of an Incidental Take Permit, if any, must be carried out consistent with such terms and conditions that include required minimization and mitigation measures proposed in the applicable Habitat Conservation Plan, and PURCHASER further agrees that STATE may take steps to protect the interest of the State, including imposing restrictions on PURCHASER's Operations under the Contract to ensure such compliance, including Contract modification, suspension, or termination.

Prospective purchasers are encouraged to contact the West Oregon ODF 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 - SECTION 2455.**

Portions of both Units and portions of Project No. 2 is adjacent to the seasonally restricted buffer of the Marbled Murrelet Management Area (MMMA). Seasonal restrictions and protection requirements shall apply (Section 2455). Guylines and Tailholds located in a Marbled Murrelet Management Area (MMMA) shown on the Exhibit A require consultation with and approval by ODF Area Biologist or their

designee. The ability to Guyline or Tailhold in this area is not guaranteed (Section 2350).

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

A key is required for access through the gate at 5000 Line and may be checked out at the Philomath ODF office.

Section 2020 "Log Measurement - Sawlogs" contains weight scale sample language.

PURCHASER shall complete a Road Use Permit from Weyerhaeuser Timber Holdings, Inc. (WTHI) for use of road Points 1 to 2 and 13 to 14 in Sections 5, 6, 7, and 8, , T11S, R9W. A sample copy of the permit is available at the Philomath ODF office (Section 2120).

Firewood sorting is required along surfaced roads and Landings.

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, vegetation matter, or other debris that could contain, or hold, seeds.

Pulp removal is required if yarded to Landing.

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 government regulatory actions.

TIMBER SALE NAME: **Thin Bear**TIMBER SALE NO.: **WO-341-2025-W01092-01**OPENING DATE: **November 21, 2024****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

NO - BID SPECIES:

No-Bid	Conifers					0					\$55.08	MBF
No-Bid	Conifers			Pulp		0					\$2.50	TON
No-Bid	Conifers	Cedar				0					\$580.08	MBF
No-Bid	Hardwood			Pulp		0					\$2.50	TON
No-Bid	Hardwood					0					\$25.00	MBF

Enclosed is a bid deposit as required, consisting of a _____ in the amount of \$10,700.00, 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. **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 NEXT
PAGE

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, 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

Tina Kotek, Governor

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"STEWARDSHIP IN
FORESTRY"

Biological Survey Report

Project: Thin Bear
Date: May 22, 2024
To: Cody Valencia
CC: Michael Curran, District Sale File
From: Michael Davis

Digitally signed by Michael
Davis
Date: 2024.05.22 08:26:50
-07'00'

Habitat Suitability

This sale contains potentially suitable habitat for northern spotted owls. There is no potentially suitable habitat for marbled murrelets within or adjacent to Units 1 and 2.

Survey Results

This sale has been covered by density surveys in 2022 and 2023^{1,2,3}. These density surveys are ongoing and are planned to be conducted during the life of this contract. Northern spotted owls have not been observed within 1.5 miles of this sale during these surveys.

Units 1 and 2 were surveyed for marbled murrelets in 2022 and 2023. These surveys were conducted using a protocol developed by the Pacific Seabird Group⁴. Behaviors indicating occupancy were observed in survey sites adjacent to Units 1 and 2 in 2022 and 2023, leading to the creation of a new Marbled Murrelet Management Area

¹ Oregon Department of Forestry, November 1, 2017. 1.2, Northern Spotted Owl Policy

² USDI Fish and Wildlife Service. 2012. Protocol for surveying proposed management activities that may impact northern spotted owls. 42pp.

³ Forsman, E. D. 1995. Spotted Owl Monitoring Protocols for Demographic Studies. U.S. Department of Agriculture. Pacific Northwest Research Station. Corvallis, OR. 11 pp

⁴ 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.

(MMMA). Surveys were discontinued for one site after the 2022 season. After significant observations, sale units were reconfigured. Units 1 and 2 remain adjacent to the MMMA buffer, but no longer contain unsurveyed marbled murrelet habitat, therefore surveys are not required.

Known T&E Resources

There are no northern spotted owl activity centers or Marbled Murrelet Management Areas affecting this sale, except for the tailhold and guyline restrictions below.

Operational Considerations

This sale is in a density survey coverage area. Northern spotted owl felling deadlines for survey expirations will not be in effect unless density surveys are discontinued. If density surveys are discontinued at any point during the contract, survey coverage will be valid until March 15, three years following the last full season of surveys.

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 or recruitment trees in the MMMA from damage. The criteria are as follows:

1. The following trees in DOH 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. When feasible, the largest trees in areas where the number of large trees is limited;
 - c. When feasible, 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 DOH 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 dozer, which may serve as a tailhold or guyline, may be used provided no DOH is removed or destroyed when using such equipment.

Future Survey Plans

This sale will be covered by northern spotted owl density surveys during the life of the contract. These density surveys provide incidental survey coverage in lieu of spot checks. If density surveys are not conducted, then spot checks will be required. In addition, ODF has an active survey program and surveys for other planned operations and northern spotted owl density surveys will be conducted within 3 miles of this sale during the life of the contract.