

This Advertisement Includes:
Parcel 1 - Rusty Saw

**UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
District Office
1717 Fabry Road, S.E.
Salem, Oregon 97306**

Date: March 28, 2003

TIMBER SALE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management will offer for sale timber as described herein for **SEALED BID**, pursuant to Instructions to Bidders, as stated on Form No. 5440-9 and subject to Notice of Requirement for Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities, Form No. 1140-4, attached. **SEALED BIDS** will be received by the Accounting Technician, or her representative, at the Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Road, S.E., Salem, Oregon 97306 until **4:00 p.m.** Pacific Daylight Savings Time on **Tuesday, April 29, 2003**. Sealed bids for this tract will be opened at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, April 30, 2003 at the Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Rd. SE., Salem, Oregon.

THIS TIMBER SALE NOTICE does not constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal of a forest management decision. Consistent with 43 CFR Subpart 5003-Administrative Remedies, the notice of a timber sale, when published as a legal ad in a newspaper of general circulation shall constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal. Protests may be filed with the Contracting Officer within 15 days of the publication of the aforementioned decision document in the newspaper. However, the doctrine of administrative finality precludes review of issues which could have been reviewed at the time of the first offering but were not, and of issues on which a final decision was made at the time of the first offering. The decision document was published in the Sandy Post on August 1, 2001.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT was prepared for each timber sale tract, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. These documents are available for inspection as background for each timber sale tract at the Salem District Office.

A WRITTEN BID on Form 5440-9 at not less than the advertised appraised price on a unit basis per species and the required minimum bid deposit is required.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, as a condition of award, will be required to sign Form 1140-6, a certification that the bid was arrived at by the bidder or offeror independently, and was tendered without collusion with any other bidder or offeror. Form 1140-7, Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Program Representation, must be completed by the successful bidder for all contracts over \$10,000. Form 1140-8, Equal Opportunity Compliance Report Certification, must also be completed by the successful bidder. Form 5450-17, Export Determination, must be completed by the successful bidder. To expedite procedure, this form should be completed and submitted with the written bid.

THE VOLUMES LISTED herein are estimates only. The sale volumes listed are based on 16-foot taper breaks which must be taken into consideration if comparisons are made with volume predictions based on other standards. The volumes based on 32-foot taper breaks are shown for comparison purposes. No sale shall be made for less than the advertised appraised price. The Purchaser shall be liable for the total purchase price, without regard to the amount bid per unit, even though the quantity of timber actually cut or removed or designated for taking is more or less than the estimated volume or quantity so listed.

THIS TIMBER SALE has been cruised based upon cubic foot measure. The minimum bid figures shown by species are dollars per hundred cubic feet (CCF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.05 per CCF. Scribner board foot volumes by species are displayed for informational purposes and for the purpose of administration of Section 19 of the contract.

A PERFORMANCE BOND in an amount not less than 20 percent of the total purchase price will be required for all contracts of \$2,500 or more. A minimum performance bond of not less than \$500 will be required for all installment contracts less than \$2,500.

QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS concerns may apply to SBA for a loan to provide financing for access road construction required under the terms of qualifying timber sale contracts, and necessary contract changes will be made. Approval of loan applications rests with SBA and may be contingent on availability of funds. Applicants for such loans shall notify BLM of their intention to apply for a loan.

PRE-AWARD QUALIFICATIONS. The high bidder may be required to furnish information to determine the ability to perform the obligations of the contract. If the high bidder is determined not qualified, responsible or refuses to respond within fifteen (15) days of a request for information pertaining to qualifications, the contract may be offered and awarded for the amount of the high bid to the highest of the bidders who is qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract.

SPECIAL PROVISIONS have been added to the contract which enable the Contracting Officer to suspend/modify/terminate the contract when necessary to comply with the Endangered Species Act or to protect occupied marbled murrelet sites in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines of the Record of Decision for Amendments to Forest Service and Bureau of Land Management Planning Documents Within the Range of the Northern Spotted Owl. These contract provisions limit the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser which have not been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION concerning this timber sale tract is available at the above District Office. A copy of the timber sale contract is also available for inspection at the District Office.

Attachments:

Form 1140-4

Form 5450-17

Form 5440-9