

Sample Notice of Timber Sale and Invitation to Bid

Sealed bids will be received by _____ (Seller or agents Name) at _____ - _____ (location), until _____ time _____ (date) for the pine/hardwood timber on the property of _____ (Name of landowner), located at _____ (description of property location, county, acreage, etc.) See Exhibit 1. Boundary lines and treatment areas have been marked.

Timber for sale is to be clearcut/ selectively cut and is marked with two spots of _____ (color) paint, one at eye level and the other at the base of each tree. The volume of pine saw timber was determined using the Scribner log rule and the hardwood sawtimber using the Doyle log rule. Pulpwood was determined using 128 cubic feet of wood per cord. See exhibit 2.

SPECIAL CONSIDERATIONS:

ROADS

Existing roads will be used and maintained in accordance with the 1999 BMPs. Where necessary, new roads will follow flagged traverse and be constructed using the BMP recommendations. If necessary to deviate from the traverse, logger will notify landowner or his representative before construction. Any improvements and associated costs for improvements will be negotiated at time of bid openings.

STREAM CROSSINGS

Existing stream crossings on permanent roads will be maintained and stabilized to prevent erosion and sedimentation. New permanent stream crossings will be constructed at pre-determined points with fords, bridges, or culverts of recommended size. Those crossings will be stabilized and maintained during the operation. Costs associated with new permanent crossings will be negotiated at the time of sale. Random skidder crossings will not be tolerated.

STREAMS

Streamside Management Zones (SMZs) have been marked/flagged along the streams on the property as identified by NRCS County Soil Survey Maps or USGS Topographic Quad Sheets. The timber, within these zones to be harvested, shall be removed in such a manner that does not result in rutting of the soil and will leave a residual basal area of 50 sq ft per acre along perennial streams and 25 sq ft of basal along intermittent streams. Logging debris is to be kept out or removed from the stream course.

BIDS

Sealed, lump sum bids will be opened at _____(time, date and location) and all bidders are invited. Bids must be signed, sealed, and accompanied by a check for ten percent (10%) of the total bid price made payable to _____(Name) to be held in escrow until satisfactory completion of all terms of the final contract. Checks of unsuccessful bidders will be returned at bid opening or by mail.

Period of contract will be for 24 months.

The seller reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

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