November 4, 2020

Department of Natural Resources
Notice of Sealed Timber Tract Bids

Dear Timber Producers:

Sealed Bids will be received by the Department of Natural Resources for timber stumpage on the following timber tracts:

- Tract 04-19 – Dunnville Wildlife Area, Hardwood Harvest, Dunn County
- Tract 01-19 - Willow River State Park, Pine Thinning, St. Croix County
- Tract 06-19 - Sand Creek Fishery Area, Hardwood Harvest, Chippewa County
- Tract 07-19 – Muddy Creek Wildlife Area, Hardwood Harvest, Dunn County
- Tract 03-20 – Cylon Wildlife Area, Aspen Harvest, St. Croix County
- Tract 01-21 – Augusta Wildlife Area, Kelly Road Oak Harvest, Eau Claire County
- Tract 05-20 – Duncan Creek Fishery Area, Aspen Harvest, Chippewa County

These State lands timber sales third-party certified. Timber sale prospectuses, bid forms, sample contracts, and detailed information on each timber tract are available on the WDNR website at:

https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/TimberSales/statewide.html

*Paper copies are available at the Menomonie DNR Field Office, 921 Brickyard Road, Menomonie, WI.

For more information call: DNR Forester Rob Strand at (715) 505-0439

Bids may be hand delivered or mailed to the following:

Timber Sale Bid – Fall 2020
WDNR Field Office
921 Brickyard Road, Menomonie WI  54751

Bids will be opened on Thursday, November 19th, 2020 at 9:00 a.m. at the DNR office in Menomonie. No bid will be accepted after the date and time of the bid opening. The Department of Natural Resources, reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
Note: Public attendance for this bid opening will not be possible due to COVID19 public health requirements. Bidders who wish to be present for the bid opening must contact DNR Forester Rob Strand at 715-505-0439 in advance to make arrangements for participating via telephone conference call or video conference.

Bids should be made with an as-is understanding:

- The Department does not guarantee access to sales across any non-state-owned lands. The purchaser will be responsible for arranging access to haul timber across adjoining private lands.
- DNR Foresters will assist in obtaining any necessary permits. The contractor will be responsible for any permit fees and any installation, removal and restoration costs.
- The State does not guarantee volumes. Bidders are strongly encouraged to inspect sales to make their own volume and quality determinations.

Bidding Procedure for Timber Sales

1) Bids will be made by species for each property/tract; however, a minimum bid for each species is not published. Wisconsin DNR Timber Bid Form, (Form 2400-049) must be used to make bids. Each bid submitted must include the tract number, contractor’s bid per cord, ton, or MBF for each species listed, and the bidder’s signature. Bids for each tract must be submitted in a separate sealed envelope.

Acceptable bids must meet or exceed the total advertised sale value. Bids below total advertised sale value or bids that are incomplete will be rejected. A bid of zero for a particular species or product will be considered incomplete and will not be accepted.

2) The order of public reading of the timber sale bids will be done on a random basis. At any time, up until a sale is read out loud, bidders may pull their bid(s) from consideration. To remove a bid, bidders must be in attendance.

3) The successful bidder will be determined by the bid that is deemed the most advantageous to the State of Wisconsin. The State of Wisconsin reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Within 6 weeks of the bid opening, the following items need to be provided for the State sales:

(Note: See the Mondovi School Forest prospectus for requirements pertaining specifically to that sale.)

1. A Signed Contract - Sample contracts are available upon request. The typical contract period is 3 years – 3 full winter seasons - unless otherwise noted in the prospectus.

2. A Performance Bond - For each contract, the winning bidder will submit a performance bond to the Department equal to the greater of 15% of the total bid value or $1000. Types of
acceptable performance bonds are: personal check, certified check/cashier check/bank money order, irrevocable letter of credit, or surety bond.

Maintenance of surety bond and/or of the performance bond shall be for four (4) full years from the date of the contract.

3. **Workers Compensation Insurance** - The purchaser/contractor must demonstrate proof of Workers Compensation Insurance by providing a Certificate of Insurance showing the Department of Natural Resources as a "certificate holder" – OR - If the purchaser/contractor is exempt from Workers Compensation Insurance (i.e. no employees) the purchaser/contractor will be required to submit a signed, notarized affidavit that affirms their exempt status pursuant to the criteria listed in section 102.07(7)(b), of the Wisconsin Statutes.

4. **FISTA Training Documentation** - Contractor must provide documentation confirming completion of the training standard throughout the duration of the sale.

5. If the winning bidder fails to execute the contract and submit an acceptable performance bond, the bidder shall be required to forfeit to the department an amount equal to 10% of the total bid amount. Failure to forfeit the 10% penalty will result in the bidder being considered ineligible to bid on any state timber sales for a two-year period.

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**Payment Options**

**Scaled Sales**

There are two payment arrangements for scaled sales:

1. **DEFERRED STUMPAGE PAYMENT - IF ELIGIBLE**, the successful bidder must make stumpage payments within 30 days of being billed.

2. **ADVANCED STUMPAGE PAYMENT** - No wood will be hauled from the sale area at any time until it has been paid for.

**Lump Sum Sales**

Prior to hauling, payment must be made for the entire sale, by the block, or by some other means that is mutually agreed upon by the contractor and the WIDNR.

No refunds of stumpage payments will be made for un-removed wood, and wood left on the sale area at contract expiration shall revert to the seller.
**Contract Extensions**

Contract lengths are given on the prospectus or the timber sale map. Contract extensions are not guaranteed. All extensions will be for 1 year. Extension requests will be considered with the following conditions:

**Two year contracts**
- 1st extension – 5% increase in stumpage rate
- 2nd extension – an additional 10% increase in stumpage rate

**Three year Contracts**
- 1st extension – 15% increase in stumpage rate

**CORDWOOD WEIGHT CONVERSION FACTORS POUNDS PER CORD**
These factors will be used for all volume conversions (cords to tons or tons to cords) on the advertised State sales.

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** Mx Hardwood conversion may be prorated based on the species mix found on the timber sale.
Information Update: COVID19 public health measures
11/09/2020

As stated previously, the Eau Claire Team fall timber bid opening will be closed to public attendance due to COVID19 public health concerns.

However, pre-arrangements have been made to accommodate remote participation in the bid opening process. Interested bidders can participate via phone-in access by dialing the following toll-free number: +1 (866) 715 – 6499, then entering the following passcode: 15360428840#

The bid opening conference call will commence at 9:00 a.m. on Thursday November 19th, 2020. The call will run until all valid bids have been opened, read, and apparent bid results are determined.

Please contact DNR Forester Rob Strand at 715-505-0439 if you have any questions or if you experience technical issues.
See the attached map for the exact location of the harvest areas that comprise this sale.

Payment for timber cut on this sale will be on a mill scale system with haul tickets. See bid packet cover letter for payment schedule options.

The contract term for this sale will be 3+ years; to include 3 full winter seasons.

Timber volume estimates were obtained using random point sampling. The cordwood was cruised to a 4-inch diameter inside bark, and the sawtimber was cruised to a 10-inch diameter inside bark. Prospective bidders are encouraged to examine the timber tract in person prior to bidding. No allowances will be made for volume under-runs or over-runs. Harvest area access, seasonal restrictions, and other applicable factors should be factored into bid prices. Bids are to be based on a 4” minimum diameter utilization standard. See bid packet cover letter for bidding instructions.

All contractors working on the timber sale must demonstrate proof of worker’s compensation insurance and demonstrate proof of current Sustainable Forestry Initiative logger certification prior to cutting.

The total harvest area is approximately 37 acres. There are two harvest units - see the attached map for details. Cutting instructions are as follows:

- **Aspen regeneration area**: Cut all trees 1” DBH and larger; except do not cut trees marked with green paint.
- **Selection thinning area**: Cut all trees marked with orange paint; cut all merchantable aspen.

### Estimated Volumes

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**Minimum Bid Value**: $11,150.90

Note: Misc. Hdwd. pulp volume includes >50% ash; along with red maple, elm, basswood, white birch.

Misc. Hdwd. saw timber includes red maple, white oak, red oak, elm.

### Operational Conditions

All harvesting & hauling operations must be conducted under dry or frozen ground conditions only. Harvesting operations will be suspended when soil rutting is possible.

Access to the harvest areas is across State-owned lands. The location of all landing/loading areas and haul roads must be approved by the DNR Forester.
The northern and eastern property boundaries are marked with blue paint. The adjoining land to the north is part of an active livestock farm. The contractor will be responsible for coordinating with the adjoining landowner to minimize damage – or repair any damage – to the line fence.

Several small wetland areas with muck soils exist within the harvest areas; the wetland boundaries are delineated with vertical green paint marks. Do not forward or skid through the wetland areas unless they are frozen solid.

Distinct drainage swales with wet soils traverse the harvest areas. Cross these areas with machinery only where necessary. Crossings must be made perpendicular to the swale or dry run.

All stumps shall be no higher than the stump diameter, or 10 inches, whichever is less. Cut-off ends and other woody debris must be removed from landings and deposited back in the harvest area.

All logging slash and debris must remain in the harvest area; and be lopped or scattered such that it lies no more than 3 feet above the ground.

To minimize the risk of spreading invasive plants the contractor must ensure that all equipment is free of plant and soil material prior to entering and leaving the tract.

*These lands are 3rd party certified*
Total Sale Area = 37 acres

Area 1: Regeneration Harvest = 9 acres
Cut or otherwise down all trees 1" diameter & larger except those marked with green paint.

Area 2: Selection Harvest = 28 acres
Cut all trees marked with orange paint, cut all merchantable aspen.

Note: No skidding/forwarding through wetland areas bounded by green paint lines

Map Symbols

BPL = Blue Paint Line
RPL = Red Paint Line
• = Parking Area
--- = Public Road
----- = Woods/Field Trail
# Timber Sale Bid Form 2400-049 (R 6/20)

**State of Wisconsin**

**Department of Natural Resources**

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**Notice:** Completion of this form is mandatory. The Department will not recognize your bid unless you complete and submit this form. Personal information collected will be used for program administration and may be provided to requesters as required by Wisconsin's Open Records law [ss. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.].

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### Bidder Information

**Bidder Name**

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**Street Address**

**City**

**State**

**ZIP Code**

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**Property Name (if any)**

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**Sand Creek Fishery Area**

**Tract Number**

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**Date and Hour of Bid Opening**

**Minimum Acceptable Bid (optional)**

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**Date**

**City**

**ZIP Code**

**State**

**Street Address**

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**Species**

**Utilization Specifications**

**Estimated Volume**

**Volume Units**

**Price Bid Per Unit**

**Total Bid Value on Estimated Volume**

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**The award shall be based on this TOTAL BID AMOUNT:**

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**Performance Bond**

Will be in the form of: (select one)

- Personal Check
- Assurance Bond
- Certified Check/Money Order
- Certificate of Deposit
- Irrevocable Letter of Credit
- Assignment of Savings Account

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**Signature of Bidder**

**Bidder's Name** (Please Print or Type)

**Phone Number (include area code)**

**Email Address**
Management objectives: This tract has mixed management objectives. In the conifer areas, a marked thinning will be conducted to remove trees of poor form and allow the higher quality trees freedom to grow. In the hardwoods dominant areas, a coppice harvest will be performed to encourage aspen regeneration and to capture the value of elm and ash with health concerns.

Cutting Specifications:
Red and blue bound areas (25.7 acres): Harvest hardwood species >2” in diameter. Only cut orange marked conifers. Leave any trees marked with green bands. Leave all oak species unless orange marked.
Green bound areas (.55 acres): Only cut and remove orange marked scotch pine.

Conditions:
1. DNR forester must approve road locations and landing areas. Road/landing expenses will be borne by purchaser.
2. Slash must remain in sale boundary and be lopped and scattered to be within 30” of ground. Any tops/slash must be removed from creek area immediately.
3. In coppice areas (all but green bound), all hardwoods greater than 2” must be cut unless green marked. Anything over 5” in diameter must be utilized.
4. Contact adjacent landowner to organize access to east side of creek and NW pockets. Landowner also has 2-3 acres of marked pine they may be interested in selling. Contact forester for more information.
5. Harvest must occur during frozen or very dry ground conditions. No crossing of creek permitted.
6. Harvest operations will be suspended if rutting occurs.
7. Conifers must be removed from site within 3 weeks if conditions aren’t frozen.

Contract End Date: 3 seasons, expires June 30th, 2023
Minimum bid: $6,090.00
Scale method: Mill scale w/haul tickets
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**Property Name (if any)**

Duncan Creek Fishery Area  
910

**Date and Hour of Bid Opening**

November 19th, 2020; 9:00 a.m.; Menomonie DNR Office

**Minimum Acceptable Bid (optional)**

$6,090.00

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