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SPRING 2010 IRON COUNTY FORESTRY TIMBER SALE



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Sealed timber sale bids will be accepted for seventeen (17) timber sale tracts, at the **IRON COUNTY FORESTRY DEPARTMENT OFFICE; 607 3rd Avenue North – Suite 2, Hurley, WI 54534** (Phone: 715/561-2697; Fax: 715/561-4801), until **8:30 A.M. on Wednesday, June 9, 2010**.

Bids received by that time and date will be publicly opened at **9:00 A.M. on Wednesday, June 9, 2010** at the Iron County Forestry Office Conference Room, and will be reviewed. Contracts may be awarded to the successful bidders after bids are opened.

Bids submitted for this sale must include at least 10% of the total value bid. Bid Bond will be forfeit upon failure to sign contract by successful bidder. Bidders who previously have had Iron County timber sale contracts ***in default*** or suspended may be required to deposit 100% of the total bid value.

We will be accepting irrevocable letters-of-credit as bond deposits for these contracts under these conditions:

1. The letter-of-credit must be made out for at least 25% of your total bid value for the sale and none of the amount specified in the letter will be credited as stumpage payment.
2. The letter must state that it has been established in favor of the Iron County Forestry Department for the sale number that is bid on.
3. The letter-of-credit must show an expiration date that is no earlier than **October 15, 2012**
4. **No Surety Bonds** will be accepted.
5. The letter-of-credit must be issued by a bank that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).
6. **If you plan to replace the bond check included in your bid with an irrevocable letter of credit, please indicate that in writing on your bid form. Be aware that your check will be cashed ten (10) business days after contracts are awarded if the irrevocable letter of credit is not received at our office by then.**

If you have any questions about any of the above conditions please contact the Iron County Forestry Department Office.

Successful bidders in this bid opening will be required to submit proof that they are in compliance with Wisconsin requirements for Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage for their employees; and **proof that any subcontractors working on their sales are also in compliance with those requirements as a condition of their timber sales contracts.**

Successful bidders in this bid opening will be required to ensure that the actual logging contractor **and any subcontractor** complies with the Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC). Documentation confirming completion of the training standard (FISTA Certificate of Completion) will be required prior to starting a sale.

Please note: Iron County Forestry Department policy requires that each cut stick with a small end diameter of ten or more inches, and a length of eight or more feet, and a grade of number three (3) or better, according to “**National Hardwood Lumber Association Log Grading Rules**”, will be scaled as a

log using Scriber Decimal C scale at the timber sale site before it is hauled. This will be done regardless of whether the scaled stick is actually sold as a log, bolt, or pulpwood, by the contractor. All bidders are urged to consider this when they are deciding what to bid for log stumpage on the sales.

Original contract length: Contract Expires April 15, 2012. Extensions of contracts may be granted by the Forestry Committee with or without a stumpage increase.

DAMAGES: The Seller's damages upon the Purchaser's failure to perform this Contract include, but are not limited to: Double the mill value, as determined by the Seller, for the timber cut, removed, or damaged without authorization under or in violation of this Contract.

Utilization will follow specifications described on the map or pulp to a 4-inch minimum top diameter, hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum top diameter, and softwood sawtimber to a 9-inch minimum top diameter.

Contractors interested in the utilization of biomass (waste) must contact the Iron County Forestry Department for price negotiation and harvest specifications prior to removal.

Prior to logging operations but within six (6) months of the bid opening, an additional bond in the Seller's favor in the amount of:

- 15% of bid value for sales greater than \$40,000 in bid value.
- An amount to bring the total bond up to \$10,000 for sales with a bid value from \$10,000 to \$40,000.
- The entire bid value for sales with a bid value under \$10,000.
- **90% of the bid value for purchasers who have previously failed to make timely payments.**

The Purchaser will have the option, at the Seller's discretion, to prepay for scale tickets. The prepayment option will require a total bond amount of 25% of bid value.

The bond may be a performance bond written by an insurance company licensed to do business in Wisconsin, a cash bond, an irrevocable letter of credit, or any other form of security acceptable to Seller. The bond must be valid for six months beyond the expiration of this contract. Failure to submit the bond will be considered a breach of this Contract and subject the Purchaser to liability for damages.

Rutting Policy: In order to provide quantitative standards for defining the limits of acceptable rutting as required for Forest Certification Standards, Iron County Forest is proposing the following policy. We intend to make this policy a part of the 2006 Fifteen Year Comprehensive Forest Management Plan. These standards would be used on timber sales, landings, skid trails, forest roads and trails, recreation trails (motorized and non-motorized), parks and the harbor.

Materials that complement the standards are being developed by State and Federal entities. Our past experiences with managing soil quality have been used to develop this policy and will be implemented for future problem solving. These materials will provide information on how to avoid unintentional soil disturbances and how to correct them if they occur.

This policy should be used in conjunction with field visits and in consultation with contractors, users and equipment operators. The policy should guide decisions made by the administrator and by users; but it

does not mandate decisions. On the ground conditions and availability of equipment and other resources should also be considered.

Goals for the management of soil disturbance are to:

- Minimize inadvertent soil disturbance and potential adverse impacts to soil productivity, water quality, fish and wildlife habitat and other natural resources.
- Protect public investment in the Iron County Forest.
- Maintain roads and trails to intended design standards.
- Combine professional expertise and operator (user) experience in the formation of on the ground decisions.
- Provide a protocol for identifying and responding to maintenance needs.

The Iron County Forest recognizes that soil disturbances occur during forestry operations and recreational pursuits. Some disturbances are intentional, such as mechanical site preparation, construction of roads, landings and trails, and improvement of infrastructure and facilities. Other soil disturbances are unintentional, such as ruts or gullies, and may result in tree mortality, reduced forest soil productivity, and reduced water quality. Ruts and other soil disturbances visually suggest poor forest stewardship, even if forest productivity or water quality is not impacted.

Soil disturbance during logging or recreational use can be avoided or minimized by using appropriate equipment, by avoiding forest use on susceptible sites during wet periods, and by carefully monitoring and controlling operations. If they do occur, the potentially negative effects of soil disturbance can be mitigated by remedial actions such as reestablishing drainage or installing erosion controls. Repair and mitigation is less desirable than avoidance because of the cost of implementing and maintaining repair and mitigation practices, the loss of forest productivity, and the possibility that the soil degradation may not be correctable.

Areas with excessive levels of soil disturbance display degradation due to poor site conditions or excessive use. To avoid reaching excessive levels of soil disturbance and to avoid disruption in timber sale and other forest use activities, it shall be the policy of the Iron County Forest to take the following actions:

- Identify areas susceptible to soil disturbance and plan activities accordingly.
- Operate equipment and vehicles only when ground is frozen or dry enough to support the load.
- Monitor air temperature. Equipment or vehicles may not able to operate once temperatures rise above freezing.
- Avoid sharp turns, especially at base of hills.
- Avoid traveling through depressions.
- Utilize mats made from slash or manufactured material for temporary crossings. Remove when finished.
- Shift all operations to upland areas when soil or temperature conditions deteriorate.
- Reduce loads.
- Use low ground pressure equipment and vehicles.
- Use common sense while operating vehicles on the Iron County Forest, ask yourself “will I cause significant soil disturbance? Do I have the proper equipment and time to repair any damage I cause?”

Excessive soil disturbance requires special attention from timber sale administrators in order to make any necessary recommendations. Classifying a soil disturbance as excessive does not mandate closing of a

timber sale or a forest road, however, actions should be taken, as appropriate, to minimize further soil disturbances. A guideline for excessive rutting is as follows:

Roads, landings, skid trails, and general harvest area	A gully or rut 6 inches deep or more and is resulting in channelized flow to a wetland, stream, or lake.
Roads, landings, and primary skid trails	In a riparian management zone (RMZ) or wetland, a gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.
	In an upland area (outside of RMZ), a gully or rut is 10 inches deep or more and 66 feet long or more.
Secondary skid trails and general harvest area	A gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.

Note: The depth is to be measured from the original soil surface to the bottom of the depression. If individual lug depressions are visible, the depth would be measured to the lesser of the two depths (the top of the lug). The length would be measured from the start of the too deep section to the end of the too deep section. Measurements are not cumulative.

Tract 38-09

Sec 30, R1W, T45N, Town of Anderson (County Line Road).

Estimated to be: 19 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 13 MBF Basswood, 4 MBF Hard Maple, 700 cord Mixed Hardwood, 90 cord Aspen, 20 cord Mixed Fir/Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Do not drop trees or operate machinery across blue or red paint lines. Cut all orange marked trees and all aspen. Avoid cutting standing snags. You may buck off and leave hollow logs where they fall. Harvested trees will be utilized to a 10 inch top for logs and a 4 inch top for pulp. Sale activity is prohibited during April, May and June. Damage to the residual stand will result in sale suspension.

The sale was contract marked. Work on the access road will be needed to allow truck traffic.

The sale area is 83 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$107.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$107.00 per MBF Basswood, \$251.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Fir/Spruce.

Tract 1-10

Sec 15, R2E, T45N, Town of Carey (Island Lake Rd).

Estimated to be: 550 cord Aspen, 400 cord Balsam Fir, 450 cord Spruce, 50 cord Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all Aspen and Balsam Fir that will yield one 100” pulp stick. Harvest Spruce greater than 8 inches dbh. Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter. Protect residual stand at all cost. Do no harvest Hemlock, Cedar, Tamarack or

White Pine. Follow all applicable ICF Rutting Policy BMPs. Wildlife openings may be used for landings; however, they will be completely cleaned of logging debris as a condition of closeout. Use existing road system for access. Snowmobile trail will remain open for recreational use during the winter season. Use all applicable Wisconsin BMPs for Water Quality on all haul, skid roads and RMZs. Failure to comply will result in sale suspension.

The sale area is 84 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$17.50 per cord Aspen, \$14.60 per cord Balsam Fir, \$24.50 per cord Spruce, \$17.50 per cord Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 2-10

Sec 2, 10, 11, 14, 15; R1W, T45N, Town of Anderson (Casey Sag Rd.)

Estimated to be: 35 MBF Sugar Maple, 25 MBF Basswood, 15 MBF Ash, 6 MBF Red Maple, 3 MBF Red Oak, 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1930 cord Mixed Hardwood, 380 cord Basswood, 120 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area A (307 acres) Marked Selection Harvest: Cut trees marked with orange paint. Cut all aspen (designated) containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Use care to protect areas with dense advanced hardwood regeneration. No logging during April, May or June.

Area B (2 acres) Aspen Regeneration Harvest: Cut all aspen and hardwoods (except oak) containing 2 or more pulpsticks. Retain all oak and conifers. Use care to protect advanced aspen regeneration.

Area C (1 acre) Overstory Removal/Hardwood Release Harvest: Cut all hardwood (except oak) and aspen containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Utmost care must be used to protect the advanced hardwood regeneration. No logging during April, May or June.

GENERAL SALE HARVEST/OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top. New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. No new turnarounds or landings shall be constructed on the road portion of the North Country National Scenic Trail (NCNST) and this trail shall be maintained and kept free of debris concurrent with cutting. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Protect the blue painted survey corners (iron pipes). Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale.

The sale consists of 309 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$291.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$123.00 per MBF Basswood, \$123.00 per MBF Ash, \$168.00 per MBF Red Maple, \$247.00 per MBF Red Oak, \$123.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$17.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$7.70 per cord Basswood, \$17.30 per cord Aspen.

Tract 3-10

Sec 5, 6; R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Shirley Lake Rd).

Estimated to be: 35 MBF Hard Maple, 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 650 cord Mixed Hardwood, 20 cord Basswood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter except that conifers or trees marked with green paint are not to be cut. No logging during April, May or June. Take care to protect residual trees and regeneration and eliminate rutting.

Sale area is 35 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$251.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.80 per cord Basswood.

Tract 4-10

Sec 13 & 24; R1W, T44N Town of Anderson (Shirley Lake Road).

Estimated to be: 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1 MBF Hard Maple, 710 cord Mixed Hardwood, 625 cord White Birch, 575 cord Aspen, 100 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Zone 1: Harvest all Black Ash yielding <9.5" DBH. Harvest all White Birch, Aspen, and Balsam Fir that yield at least one 100" pulpstick. Utilize all tops of pulpwood to a 4" top. Do not cut Northern Hardwood, Hemlock, White Spruce, Tamarack and Black Spruce. Leave all snags standing. Prevent slash and debris from collecting in or near intermittent streams and beaver ponds. Prevent and minimize rutting when possible. Follow all BMPs. No Logging from March to December.

Zone 2: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" minimum top diameter. Protect residual stand at all costs. Minimize rutting where small drainages are found. Follow all BMPs. Failure to abide by any specification in either zone will result in sale suspension. No logging from March to December.

Sale area is 142 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$80.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$189.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$11.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord White Birch, \$11.30 per cord Aspen, \$9.50 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 5-10

Sec 13, R3E, T42N, Town of Mercer (Murray Landing Rd)

Estimated to be: 683 cord Mixed Hardwood, 479 cord White Birch, 251 cord Spruce, 141 cord Balsam Fir, 60 cord Aspen, 50 cord Cedar, 15 MBF Mixed Hardwood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all Mixed Hardwood, White Birch, Spruce, Balsam and Aspen. Harvest Cedar less than or equal to 9 inch DBH where necessary for operability and where Cedar basal area is high (greater than 90 square feet of basal area). Do not reduce Cedar basal area below 90 square feet in these areas. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Do not cut Pine, Hemlock or Tamarack. Do not cut Cedar greater than 9 inch DBH. Retain snags and den trees

whenever possible without causing a hazard. Avoid damage to existing seedlings and quality saplings. Harvest only during frozen ground conditions. Wisconsin BMPs must be followed at all times.

Sale area is 145 acres and is the cross-hatched area on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$14.20 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$13.40 per cord White Birch, \$19.80 per cord Spruce, \$11.90 per cord Balsam Fir, \$14.20 per cord Aspen, \$7.90 per cord Cedar, \$99.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 6-10

Sec 11, 12, 14, R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Game Rd)

Estimated to be: 456 cord Mixed Hardwood, 132 cord Aspen, 45 cord Balsam, 150 cord Spruce, 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Clearcut area: Harvest all trees except Hemlock, Cedar and Pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Retain all snags and/or den trees per acre that do not present a hazard. Avoid damage to existing seedlings and quality saplings. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times. Harvest only during frozen or very dry periods.

Selective Cut area: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and Aspen, Balsam and Spruce. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Retain all snags and/or den trees. No logging during April, May or June. Avoid damage to residual timber.

The sale area is 60 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$12.80 per cord Balsam, \$25.50 per cord Spruce, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 7-10

Sec 30, 31, R1E, T46N; Sec 36, R1W, T46N, Town of Saxon (Sullivan Fire Lane).

Estimated to be: 1242 cord Mixed Hardwood, 495 cord Aspen, 135 cord Spruce, 60 cord Balsam, 52 MBF Basswood, 9 MBF Hard Maple, 5 MBF Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Selective Cut Area: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all Aspen, White Birch, Balsam and Spruce. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. No logging during April, May or June. Avoid damage to residual timber. Portions of this sale will require frozen or very dry ground conditions. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times. Eliminate rutting.

Clearcut area: Harvest all trees except Cedar, Pine, Hemlock, Elm and trees marked with green paint. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Leave all large culls and snags standing where possible. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times. Eliminate rutting.

The sale area is 185 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$25.50 per cord Spruce, \$12.80 per cord Balsam, \$106.00 per MBF Basswood, \$251.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 8-10

Sec 27, 28, 34, R1E, T45N, Town of Knight (Snake Track & Norman Creek Road).

Estimated to be: 477 cord Mixed Hardwood, 232 cord Spruce, 86 cord Balsam, 9 MBF Mixed Hardwood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all Aspen, White Birch, Balsam and Spruce. Utilize pulpwood to a 4” top diameter and sawlogs to a 10” top diameter. No logging during April, May or June. Avoid damage to residual timber. Portions of this sale will require frozen ground conditions. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times. Eliminate rutting.

Sale area is 91 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$25.50 per cord Spruce, \$12.80 per cord Balsam, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 9-10

Sec 24, 25, T44N, R1W, Town of Anderson (Shirley Lake Road).

Estimated to be: 10 MBF Red Maple, 4 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 3 MBF Yellow Birch, 1010 cord Mixed Hardwood, 60 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area A – All sale activity must be completed within a 1 year period limited to only September thru January. Logging road construction within the separate western block of this area shall be limited to only its southern one-half. Furthermore, road construction within the separate eastern block of this area shall be confined to only a very short stub road west off of the Shirley Lake Road.

Area B – No logging during April, May or June.

GENERAL SALE HARVEST/OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees marked with orange paint. Cut all aspen (designated) containing 2 or more 100 –inch pulpsticks. Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top. New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. No road building shall occur within the non-sale zone listed on the map as *Other Marked Timber* specifically located immediately north of “Area A”. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. In addition, the all-weather road accessing the private property bordering the sale’s northeastern portion shall be kept free of debris and maintained in good condition concurrent with cutting. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Protect the blue painted survey corner (iron pipe) located in the sale’s northeastern portion. Wisconsin’s Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale.

Sale area is 115 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$153.00 per MBF Red Maple, \$113.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$189.00 per MBF Yellow Birch, \$17.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$17.30 per cord Aspen

Tract 10-10

Sec 23, T45N, R1W, Town of Anderson (Casey Sag, Old Lake Road).

Estimated to be: 20 MBF Red Maple, 11 MBF Basswood, 9 MBF Sugar Maple, 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1410 cord Mixed Hardwood, 820 cord Aspen, 290 cord Balsam, 170 cord Basswood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area A (93 acres) Marked Selection Harvest: Cut all trees marked with orange paint. Cut all aspen and balsam fir (designated) containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. No logging during April, May or June.

Area B (54 acres): Aspen Regeneration Harvest: Cut all aspen and balsam fir containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Cut all hardwood stems (except cherry and oak) 2 inches or greater DBH, utilizing those containing one or more pulpstick. Retain cherry, oak and all other conifers except for designated balsam fir. Use care to protect advanced balsam fir regeneration from logging damage.

Area C (2 acres): Overstory Removal/Balsam Fir Release Harvest: Cut only hardwood (except oak) and aspen containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Utmost care must be used to protect the balsam fir from logging damage.

GENERAL SALE HARVEST/OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top. New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale. Protect the blue painted survey corners (iron pipes).

Sale area is 149 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$137.00 per MBF Red Maple, \$101.00 per MBF Basswood, \$238.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$101.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.90 per cord Aspen, \$12.80 per cord Balsam Fir, \$6.80 per cord Basswood.

Tract 11-10

Sec 28, 33, R3E, T44N, Town of Oma (Hwy G).

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 750 cord Aspen, 400 cord Mixed Hardwood, 250 cord Balsam Fir, 100 cord White Spruce (includes 18 MBF sawlogs).

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all upland Aspen, Hardwoods, Balsam and White Spruce containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch top except those trees marked with green paint. Do not cut Pine, Cedar, Hemlock or Black Ash. No logging activity within wetland areas including Ash, Spruce and Cedar swamps. Eliminate rutting. Trees on steep slopes may be left. Approved methods must be used to cross drainages. Fire tower road access closed from March 15 – July 15 if Osprey is actively nesting.

Sale area is 73 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$12.80 per cord Balsam Fir, \$25.50 per cord White Spruce

Tract 12-10

Sec 21, 22, R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Chippewa Fire Lane/Duck Lake Road)

Estimated to be: 20 MBF Hard Maple, 20 MBF Basswood, 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 750 cord Mixed Hardwood, 50 cord Basswood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees marked with orange paint containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. No logging during April, May or June. Eliminate rutting. Damage to residual trees will result in sale suspension. Leave snags uncut. Hollow logs may be left where felled.

Sale area is 83 acres and is the cross-hatched area on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$251.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Basswood, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.80 per cord Basswood.

Tract 13-10

Sec 19, 30, R3E, T44N, Sec 13, 24, R2E, T44N, Town of Oma/Pence/Carey (Old 51).

Estimated to be: 5 MBF Hard Maple, 7 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1300 cord Mixed Hardwood, 420 cord Aspen, 645 cord Fir (Mixed Hardwood saw is mostly Red Maple with some ash, birch and cherry. Fir includes a very small amount of spruce logs.)

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: This sale is accessed via the well established woods road extending from Old 51 through private lands to the east. The sale boundaries are distinguished by a red paint line. The terrain is gently rolling. All survey markers must be protected from logging damage. No felling trees across, piling slash or tree tops over the blue line. All new roads and landings must have approval from Iron County Forestry before construction and WI BMPs for water quality followed. Utilize all pulpwood to a minimum 4 inch top diameter and all sawtimber to a 10 inch minimum top diameter (hardwoods)/9 inch (softwoods).

Northern Hardwood: Cut all orange marked trees, including those trees marked less than 4" in diameter. Cut all Aspen and Balsam Fir containing one or more 100 inch pulpsticks. Eliminate rutting. Do not leave slash in wetlands.

Sale area is 214 acres and is cross-hatched and shaded on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$251.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$12.80 per cord Fir.

Tract 14-10

Sec 6, R1E, T45N, Town of Anderson (Hwy 122).

Estimated to be: 4 MBF Hard Maple, 1 MBF Basswood, 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 200 cord Mixed Hardwood, 40 cord Basswood, 10 cord Aspen

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees marked with orange paint in this Northern hardwood select cut with regeneration gaps. Within gaps marked trees less than 4" in diameter with also have to be cut.

Also cut all merchantable aspen. Utilize all pulpwood to a minimum 4 inch top diameter and all sawtimber to a 10 inch minimum top diameter. New roads and landings must have approval from Iron County Forestry before construction and WI BMPs for water quality. No logging during April, May or June. Leave hollow trees for wildlife and any hollow logs that are cut must be left lying where felled. The remainder of the tree that is sound may be utilized. Eliminate rutting.

Sale area is 22 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$248.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$105.00 per MBF Basswood, \$105.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.80 per cord Basswood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen.

Tract 15-10

Sec 12, R3E, T42N, Town of Mercer.
Estimated to be: 180 cord Red Pine

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all orange marked trees. All cut trees will be utilized to a four inch top. Damage to the residual stand will result in sale suspension.

Access to the sale is via the snowmobile trail, so sale activity is prohibited December through April. Trails must be kept clean of debris and returned to original conditions before December to allow recreational use. Eliminate rutting. Follow all Wisconsin BMPs.

Sale area is approximately 19 acres and is cross-hatched and shaded on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$38.25 per cord Red Pine.

Tract 16-10

Sec 27, R2E, T45N, Town of Carey (Falls Rd.)

Estimated to be: 550 cord Mixed Hardwood, 150 cord Aspen, 20 MBF Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all White Birch. Harvest all Aspen greater than 9 inches dbh. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. No logging during April, May or June. Avoid damage to residual timber and regeneration. Do not operate equipment in low areas if rutting will occur. All snags and den trees not posing a hazard should be left standing. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times.

Sale Area is approximately 113 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$13.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$13.30 per cord Aspen, \$92.40 per MBF Mixed Hardwood.

THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO ALL THE PRECEDING SALES:

All forest roads and recreation trails must be kept free of logging materials during logging operations and as a condition of close out. Some of these materials have a restriction against skidding or cutting during the months of April, May, and June, and will be enforced. Bidders are required to deposit 10% of the total bid value for every species bid on, including balsam fir. Successful bidders will be required to pay an additional deposit before they will be allowed to start their sales or within 6 months of bid opening.

- 15% of bid value for sales greater than \$40,000 in bid value.
- An amount to bring the total bond up to \$10,000 for sales with a bid value from \$10,000 to \$40,000.
- The entire bid value for sales with a bid value under \$10,000.
- **90% of the bid value for purchasers who have previously failed to make timely payments.**

The Purchaser will have the option, at the Seller's discretion, to prepay for scale tickets. The prepayment option will require a total bond amount of 25% of bid value.

Bidders who have previously had Iron County timber sale contracts in default or suspended may be required to deposit 100% of the total bid value.

Contractors who choose to use the haul ticket scaling system, for pulpwood, will be held completely responsible for compliance with all rules established for this scaling method by the Iron County Forestry Committee. Copies of Iron County's haul ticket scaling rules can be obtained from the Forestry Office.

The Iron County Forestry Committee requires that all bids be submitted on their bid form. Failure to do so may result in your bid being rejected. The successful bidders will be required to meet with the forester who set up their sale (or forester designated by administrator) before beginning any logging operations. The Iron County Cruiser must be notified either verbally or in writing before any logging activities have begun on these timber sales.

Dumping of garbage, refuse, and intentional draining of motor oil and lubricants onto the ground on lands owned by Iron County is prohibited by Iron County Ordinance #2004. This ordinance specifies a fine not to exceed \$500 and/or a prison term not to exceed 90 days for violations. Persons violating this ordinance will also be responsible for cleanup costs.

Each bid shall be sealed by itself in an envelope, plainly marked with the words, "Timber Sale Bid", the name of the bidder, and the number of the tract that the bid is for, on the front. Information on cutting regulations, restrictions, and timber sale maps may be obtained from the Iron County Forestry Department Office, 607 3rd Avenue North – Suite 2, Hurley, WI 54534 or the Mercer DNR Ranger Station. The Iron County Forestry Committee reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received, or to accept the bid that it considers to be in the best interest of Iron County.

IRON COUNTY FORESTRY COMMITTEE

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