

Spring 2025 Iron County Forestry Department Timber Sale Prospectus

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 Thursday, June 5, 2025.**

Bids received by that time and date will be opened at **9:00 A.M. on Thursday, June 5, 2025** 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 bid value. Bid bond will be forfeited 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 bid deposits for these contracts under these conditions:

1. A check, certified check or money order in an amount that is equal to **10%** of the TOTAL bid value. If you are selected as the successful bidder your bid deposit will be used towards the sale Performance Bond.
2. Irrevocable Letters of Credit will NOT BE ACCEPTED for a bid deposit.
3. **No Surety Bonds** will be accepted.
4. **If you plan to replace the bid deposit check included in your bid with an irrevocable letter of credit, please indicate that in writing on your bid form. Be aware that our department will hold your check for a maximum of Twenty (20) days, then it will be cashed. If your check is returned due to insufficient funds you will not receive a contract for that sale tract.**

If you have any questions about any of the above conditions, please contact the Iron County Forestry Department Office at (715) 561 - 2697.

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 *upon award of contract*; 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 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 *upon award of contract*.**

County Forest Timber Sale tracts are required to be advertised one time before they can be sold as a direct sale. The Forest Administrator reserves the right retain unsold tracts for bid at a later date.

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.

All tracts contained in this prospectus and forest products from each tract including logs or chips of all species are 3rd party certified unless noted. Seller's forest certification information and chain of custody can be found at: <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/timbersales/certification>.

Original contract length: All Contracts are for three (3) years unless otherwise noted. Contracts will expire July 1, 2028. (See prospectus and sale maps) **A one (1) year extension *may* be granted, with no stumpage increase, provided purchaser has paid for at least 50% of the total bid value.** Additional extensions of contracts may be granted by the Forestry Committee with up to a 10% 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, a down payment in the amount of:

- **15% of the total bid value** for sales greater than \$10,000 in bid value.
- 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.**

If cash, check, cashier's check or money order are used for the down payment, the down payment will be credited to the Contract upon Purchaser's payment of no less than 75% of the estimated sale value. If an irrevocable letter of credit is used for the down payment, the irrevocable letter of credit will be returned to the Purchaser upon Purchaser's payment of no less than 90% of the estimated sale value.

The Purchaser will have the option, at the Seller's discretion, to prepay for scale tickets.

The performance bond may be 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 enforces the following policy. This policy is a part of the 2021 Fifteen Year Comprehensive Forest Management Plan. These standards will 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 be 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.

Iron County Forest Cordwood Weight Conversion Factors: The following weight conversion methods may be used in the conversion of weight scale to standard 128 cubic foot cord.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight (lbs)</u>
Hemlock	4,800
Tamarack	4,650
Red Pine	4,500
Jack Pine	4,250
Balsam	4,250
White Pine	4,200
Spruce	4,000
Cedar	3,150
White Oak	5,850
Red Oak	5,500
Yellow Birch	5,350
Hard Maple	5,100
Elm	5,000
Balsam Poplar	4,900
White Birch	4,800
Ash	4,600
Soft Maple	4,550
Aspen	4,500
Basswood	3,850
Mixed Hardwood	4,800

Tract 16-24

Sec 32 & 33, T46N, R1E, Town of Saxon (Hwy 122)

Estimated to be: 110 MBF Sugar Maple, 48 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1100 cord Mixed Hardwood, 20 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint along with all aspen. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Harvest will not take place from April 1st through July 31st. Sale boundaries are a solid red line and blue line. Any skid trail with a slope must have water bars.

The sale area is 158 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$259.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$122.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$11.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen.

Tract 32-24

Sec 32 & 33, T43N, R1E; Town of Knight (Duck Lake Rd).

Estimated to be: 38 MBF Hard Maple, 90 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 2050 cord Mixed Hardwood, 280 cord Basswood, 190 cord Aspen, 10 cord White Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: **Single Tree Selection (224 acres)** Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen and white spruce with at least one 100" pulp stick. The sale boundary is marked with red paint lines, portions of no line along young aspen, and portions of blue property line, as indicated on the map.

Aspen Coppice (8 acres) Harvest all aspen, all mixed hardwood species (except white and yellow birch, red oak, and elm) and all white spruce with at least one 100" pulp stick. Do not harvest white and yellow birch, red oak, elm, balsam fir, black spruce, hemlock, pine, cedar, and tamarack. The sale boundary is marked with two red dots and portions of no line along as open swamp, as indicated on the map.

Utilize all sawlogs to a 10" minimum top diameter and all pulpwood to a 4" minimum top diameter. Follow all water quality BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting and damage to residual trees. No slash shall be left in wetlands or across blue property lines. Harvesting shall not take place from March 31 through June 30 without authorization from Iron County Forestry Department.

Backblade all roads upon sale completion. Protect regeneration in single tree selection. Protect survey monuments. Protect CFI and carbon plot center.

Sale area is 232 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$285.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$5.00 per cord Basswood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$20.00 per cord White Spruce.

Tract 34-24

Sec 9, 16, 17 & 21, T44N, R1W, Town of Anderson (Caroline Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 33 MBF Sugar Maple, 25 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 5 MBF Basswood, 2200 cord Mixed Hardwood, 250 cord Aspen, 175 cord Spruce, 80 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: *Northern Hardwood Single Tree Selection Harvest:* 176 acres. Cut all orange marked trees, and all aspen, spruce, and balsam fir that contain a 1-100" pulpstick. Utilize pulpwood to a 4"

top diameter, sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. No cutting of elm or oak. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soil. Follow all BMP's. Boundary lines are a red line. Sale will be free of litter at all times. All slash will remain within the cutting area. Any woods road used during operation will be back bladed upon sale completion. No cutting from April 1st to July 1st.

Aspen Coppice Cut: 51 acres. Cut all mixed hardwood, aspen, spruce, and balsam fir that contain 1-100" pulpstick. Follow all specifications as stated in the hardwood cut. No seasonal restrictions.

Sale area is approximately 227 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$285.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$135.00 per MBF Basswood, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$20.00 per cord Spruce, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 35-24

Sec 29, T45N, R1E, Town of Anderson (Apple Creek Rd.)

Estimated to be: 18 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 12 MBF Hard Maple, 2100 cord Aspen, 890 cord Mixed Hardwood, 175 cord Red Pine, 170 cord Balsam Fir, 85 cord Spruce, 40 cord Basswood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: *Aspen Coppice Cut:* (180 acres) Cut all aspen, mixed hardwood, red pine, spruce, balsam fir, and spruce that contain 1-100" pulpstick. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter, sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. No cutting of elm, oak, ash, or jack pine. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soil. Follow all BMP's. Boundary lines are red and blue lines and Apple Creek Road. The sale will be free of litter at all times. All slash will remain within the cutting area. Any new or existing woods road used during operation will be back bladed upon sale completion. All decked pine will be removed within 21 days due to possible pine borer infestation. No seasonal restrictions.

Northern Hardwood Single Tree Selection Harvest: (27 acres) Cut all orange marked trees, and all aspen, spruce, and balsam fir that contain a 1-100" pulpstick. Follow all specifications as stated above. No cutting from April 1st to July 1st.

The sale area is 207 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$285.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$40.00 per cord Red Pine, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$20.00 per cord Spruce, \$5.00 per cord Basswood.

Tract 1-25

Sec 31, T47N, R1W; Sec 6, T46N, R1W, Town of Gurney (Zeros Rd.)

Estimated to be: 5 MBF Hard Maple, 31 MBF Basswood, 13 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 585 cord Mixed Hardwood, 220 cord Basswood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: *Single Tree Selection:* Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen with at least one 100" pulp stick. Utilize all sawlogs to a 10" minimum top diameter and all pulpwood to a 4" minimum top diameter. Follow all water quality BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting and damage to residual trees. No slash shall be left across blue property lines. The sale boundary is marked with red paint lines, blue property lines, and uses Zeros Rd to the east, as indicated on the map. Harvesting shall not take place from March 31 through June 30 without authorization from Iron County Forestry Department.

Backblade all roads upon sale completion. Keep Zeros Road free of logging debris. Protect survey monuments & carbon plot center.

Sale area is 66 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$291.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$138.00 per MBF Basswood, \$148.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$5.10 per cord Basswood.

Tract 2-25

Sec 33, T46N, R1W, Town of Gurney (Vogues Rd)

Estimated to be: 28 MBF Hard Maple, 42 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 750 cord Aspen, 725 cord Mixed Hardwood, 240 cord Basswood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: *Single Tree Selection (80 acres)*: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen with at least one 100" pulp stick. The sale boundary is marked with red paint lines, blue property line, and uses Vogues Rd to the east, as indicated on the map.

Aspen Coppice (25 acres): Harvest all aspen and mixed hardwood species (except white and yellow birch, elm, and red oak) with at least one 100" pulp stick. Do not harvest white and yellow birch, elm, red oak, balsam fir, spruce, hemlock, pine, cedar, and tamarack. The sale boundary is marked with two red dots and used Vogues Road to the east, as indicated on the map.

Utilize all sawlogs to a 10" minimum top diameter and all pulpwood to a 4" minimum top diameter. Follow all water quality BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting and damage to residual trees. No slash shall be left across blue property lines, in wetlands, or in intermittent streams. Harvesting shall not take place from March 31 through June 30 without authorization from Iron County Forestry Department.

Backblade all roads upon sale completion. Protect regeneration in single tree selection.

The sale area is 105 and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$291.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$148.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$18.40 per cord Aspen, \$16.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$5.10 per cord Basswood.

Tract 3-25

Sec 30, T47N, R1W, Town of Gurney (Old Hwy 10)

Estimated to be: 1100 cord Red Pine.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all orange marked pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soil. Follow all BMP's. Boundary lines are Old Highway 10, a large game opening to the north, and a fire break on the east side of sale. Contact Enbridge before cutting begins. All decked pine will need to be removed within 21 days due to possible bark beetle infestation. No decking on town road unless granted by the town supervisor or on the Enbridge pipeline. The sale will be free of litter at all times. All slash will remain within the cutting area. Any woods road used during operation will be back bladed upon sale completion. No seasonal restrictions.

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

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$40.00 per cord Red Pine.

Tract 4-25

Sec 31 & 32, T46N, R1W, Town of Gurney; Sec 5 & 6, T45N, R1W, Town of Anderson (Vogues Rd).

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 2500 cord Aspen, 1450 Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: *Coppice*: For the creation of a new Ruffed Grouse and Woodcock Habitat Management Area, harvest all aspen and northern hardwoods 2" dbh and larger except red oak. Do not harvest any conifer unless necessary for operation, red oak, or green marked trees.

Sale boundaries are marked with red paint on border woods roads and the railroad grade. Leave all standing dead snags and den trees when safe to do so. Utilize sawlogs to a 10" top diameter and pulpwood to a 4" top diameter. Strictly follow all Wisconsin Best Management Practices for water quality and invasive species. Harvest only when the ground is completely dry or frozen to prevent rutting and soil compaction. Evenly disperse slash throughout the sale area. Leave unmerchantable logs where they are cut to remain as coarse woody debris (ex: large diameter, split, hollow, or rotten logs with no value).

Minimize crossing the North Country Trail. All woods roads that are used for this sale will be back bladed upon sale completion. All existing wildlife openings will be left free of debris upon sale completion. No harvesting March 5-July 31. No road work will be allowed within 200 feet of the Tyler Forks ford from May 20-September 18

Sale area is 153 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$14.20 per cord Aspen, \$11.80 per cord Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 5-25

Sec 15, T47N, R1W, Town of Saxon (Harbor Drive).

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1880 cord Aspen, 260 cord Mixed Hardwood, 25 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all aspen, mixed hardwood species (except white and yellow birch, elm, and oak), and all balsam fir with at least one 100" pulp stick. Do not harvest white and yellow birch, elm, oak, hemlock, cedar, white spruce, black spruce, tamarack, or pine. Utilize all sawlogs to a 10" minimum top diameter and all pulpwood to a 4" minimum top diameter. Follow all water quality BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting. Leave snags and den trees standing when safe to do so. The sale boundary is marked with two red dots, as indicated on the map. Harvesting shall take place under dry OR frozen conditions only.

Backblade all roads upon sale completion. Protect carbon plot center. Balsam Fir is optional to cut and a fixed price.

The sale area is 81 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$142.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$17.60 per cord Aspen, \$15.70 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 6-25

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

Estimated to be: 27 MBF Sugar Maple, 40 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1600 cord Mixed Hardwood, 30 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint along with all aspen. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Harvest will not take place from March 15th through July 1st. Sale boundaries are a solid red line and blue line. Protect survey monuments and advanced regeneration. Backblade roads upon completion. Leave tops intact unless needed to prevent rutting. No harvesting March 15-July 1.

The sale area is 134 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$285.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen.

Tract 7-25

Sec 17 & 18, T44N, R2E, Town of Pence; Sec 19 & 20, T44N, R2E, Town of Carey (West Branch Rd).

Estimated to be: 37 MBF Sugar Maple, 84 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 2200 cord Mixed Hardwood, 100 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area 1 (191 acres) Harvest all trees marked with orange paint along with spruce larger than 15 inches DBH. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries are a solid red line and blue line.

Area 2 (13 acres) Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for yellow birch, cedar, hemlock, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries are two red dots.

The sale area is 204 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$285.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$14.10 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$20.00 per cord Spruce.

Tract 8-25

Sec 15, T44N, R1W, Town of Anderson (Caroline Lake Rd).

Estimated to be: 10 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 250 cord Mixed Hardwood, 950 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, do not harvest yellow birch, black ash, balsam fir, spruce, oak, elm, cedar, hemlock, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries are two red dots.

No harvesting March 15 to May 31. Leave tops intact unless needed to prevent rutting. Game opening, keep free of tops and debris, backblade roads.

Sale area is 49 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen.

Tract 9-25

Sec 12 & 13, T44N, R2E, Town of Carey (Camp 7 Rd)

Estimated to be: 7 MBF Sugar Maple, 47 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 800 cord Mixed Hardwood, 960 cord Aspen, 50 cord Balsam Fir, 145 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest everything greater than 5 inches dbh. Leave all yellow birch, oak, elm, tamarack, cedar, hemlock, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries are two red dots. Do not harvest trees with green ring. No sale activity from March 15-May 31. Leave tops and limbs intact unless needed to prevent rutting. Backblade roads. Balsam Fir optional to harvest with a fixed price.

Sale area is 68 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$285.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$20.00 per cord Spruce.

Tract 10-25

Sec 12, T44N, R2E, Town of Carey; Sec 7 & 18, T44N, R3E, Town of Oma (Hwy 51).

Estimated to be: 27 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1800 cord Mixed Hardwood, 1700 cord Aspen, 230 cord Balsam Fir, 290 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest everything 5 inches dbh and up. Do not harvest black ash and yellow birch less than 10 inches dbh. Also do not harvest elm, oak, tamarack, cedar, hemlock, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries are two red dots. Treetops may be left intact unless needed to prevent rutting. Do not harvest trees with green paint. Balsam Fir optional to harvest with a fixed price.

Sale area is 164 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$13.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$13.30 per cord Aspen, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$19.00 per cord Spruce.

Tract 11-25

Sec 3, 4, 9 & 10, T42N, R3E, Town of Mercer (Deer Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1050 cord Spruce, 250 cord Mixed Hardwood, 175 cord Aspen, 125 Red Pine, 10 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: *Red Pine Improvement Cut: 8 acres.* Cut all orange marked pine, and all aspen, spruce, mixed hardwood, and balsam fir that contain a 1-100" pulpstick. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter, sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. No cutting of red oak. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soil. Follow all BMP's. Boundary lines are red lines and Deer Lake Road. Sale will be free of litter at all times. All slash will remain within the cutting area. Any woods road used during operation will be back bladed upon sale completion. All decked pine will need to be removed within 21 days due to possible bark beetle infestation. No seasonal restrictions.

Spruce Clearcut: 35 acres. Cut all spruce, mixed hardwood, aspen, red pine, and balsam fir that contain 1-100" pulpstick. Sale boundaries are red lines. Follow all specifications as stated in the red pine improvement cut. No seasonal restrictions.

Sale area is 43 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$20.00 per cord Spruce, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$40.00 per cord Red Pine, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 12-25

Sec 31 & 32, T45N, R2E, Town of Pence; Sec 6, T44N, R2E (West Branch Rd.)

Estimated to be: 16 MBF Sugar Maple, 36 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1270 cord Mixed Hardwood, 330 cord Aspen, 65 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area 1 (64 acres) Harvest everything greater than 5 inches dbh. Leave all yellow birch, balsam fir, oak, cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries are two red dots.

Area 2 (34 acres) Harvest only hardwoods and spruce 13 inches DBH and greater. Do not harvest oak and elm. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundaries is a solid red line.

Leave tops intact unless needed to prevent rutting. No harvesting March 15-May 31. Protect advanced regeneration. Backblade roads and berm by West Branch Road.

Sale area is 98 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$285.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$12.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$20.00 per cord Spruce.

Tract 13-25

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

Estimated to be: 3 MBF Hard Maple, 10 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 18 MBF Basswood, 620 cord Mixed Hardwood, 220 cord Basswood, 1 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Selection Thinning: (121 acres) Harvest all orange marked trees and merchantable ash 5" dbh and larger. Do not harvest any conifer unless cutting balsam is necessary for operation, red oak, or aspen.

Sale boundaries are marked with red paint, blue paint, or border town roads and young aspen. Leave all standing dead snags and den trees when safe to do so. Utilize sawlogs to a 10" top diameter and pulpwood to a 4" top diameter. Strictly follow all Wisconsin Best Management Practices for water quality and invasive species. Evenly disperse slash throughout the sale area. Leave unmerchantable logs where they are cut to remain as coarse woody debris (ex: large diameter, split, hollow, or rotten logs with no value).

Harvest on frozen ground only to prevent rutting and compaction of soft soils. Balsam Fir optional to harvest, fixed price.

Sale area is 121 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$145.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$135.00 per MBF Basswood, \$16.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$5.00 per cord Basswood, \$5.00 per cord Balsam Fir.



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. **Every species / product listed MUST have a bid price equal to or greater than the advertised minimum bid price!** Bidders are required to deposit 10% of the total bid value which can be used as the 10% performance bond. Successful bidders will be required to make a 15% down payment before they will be allowed to start their sales or within 6 months of bid opening.

- **15% of the total bid value** for sales greater than \$10,000 in bid value.
- 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.

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.

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 www.ironcountyforest.org. 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.

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