

GYPSY STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT Highlights (Page 1 of 2)

Watersmeet Ranger District

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- **Stewardship End Result Contracting** includes Service Projects that earn Stewardship Credits upon completion of the Project that are used to pay for Included Timber (goods) within the Contract Area.
- The Contract Area is 6 miles North of Watersmeet, MI on FR5250 (Interior Rd.), then south on FR 4700 a distance of 1.5 miles. The Contract Area lies along the both sides of FR 4700, with Payment Units accessed by FR4770 , FR4751, FR4747 and FR4745 .
- Other than the right-of-way timber, all of the 11 remaining Payment Units are predicted to support dry summer operation and are accessed by woods roads designed to allow hauling during dry summer weather conditions.
- There is an estimated 701 CCF of Red Pine Sawtimber, 3,225 CCF of Jack Pine Pulpwood, 398 CCF of Pine Pulpwood and 824 CCF of Aspen Pulpwood .
- Specified Road Reconstruction of 0.12 miles and Pre-haul Maintenance of 2.55 miles of roads are required as part of this contract.
- There are required deposits for deferred maintenance of \$28,045.11 (\$5.06/CCF) associated with this contract.
- The technical proposal and reference forms provided with the bid package will assist bidders in providing the information necessary for a stewardship proposal. The bidders may use other technical proposal and reference forms if they choose, provided that all of the required information is included with their bid.
- **SAMPLE CONTRACT will be posted to the Ottawa National Forest internet website (address shown below)**

- **Potential contractors, wishing to submit proposals, are encouraged to contact the Forest Service.** For additional information, assistance in developing proposals (on format and information required within proposals) or individual and confidential on-site tours, contact Ted Frank (zone silviculturist) at (906) 932-1330 extension 515.

Timber Cutting Summary

SPECIES & PRODUCTS		ADVERTISED RATES	
20 CCF	Mixed Conifer	Sawtimber	\$30.25
2 CCF	Mixed Hardwood	Sawtimber	\$106.19
701 CCF	Red & White Pine	Sawtimber	\$96.34
824 CCF	Aspen	Pulpwood	\$40.48
3,225 CCF	Jack Pine	Pulpwood	\$71.59
172 CCF	Mixed Conifer	Pulpwood	\$16.58
199 CCF	Mixed Hardwood	Pulpwood	\$26.96
398 CCF	Pine	Pulpwood	\$90.26

Total Advertised Value of Stumpage = \$376,725.27

Normal Operating Season: 06/01 – 11/30

Location: T46N - R38W, Sections 32 and 33 Ontonagon County, MI.

T45N - R38W, Sections 4, 5 & 9 Gogebic County, MI.

Termination Date: 11/30/2018

Required Bid Guarantee: \$0.00

Pre-haul Maintenance: \$11,025.00 (appraisal allowance)

Performance Bond: 10% of Bid Offer for

Specified Road Work: \$540.00

Included Timber rounded up to next \$1,000.00

Temporary Developments: \$850.00 (appraisal allowance)

Downpayment: \$0.00

Road Maintenance Deposits: \$28,045.11 (\$5.06/CCF)

Bid Opening Date/Time: 01/12/2016, 1:00 p.m. (local time)

Place of Bid Opening – Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger District office facilities on U.S. Hwy 2, across from the Ottawa National Forest Visitor Center.

Successful Bidder will not be announced until after award of contract. Bids on stewardship projects are confidential.

Prospective purchasers are cautioned that cutting or otherwise damaging any timber, tree, or other forest product except as authorized is prohibited (36CFR). This regulation applies to the cutting, chipping, or chopping of trees to determine tree suitability for specialty products within the proposed sale area.

For more information, please contact the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger District for a prospectus: E23979 US 2 East, Watersmeet, MI 49969, (906) 358-4551 or TTY (906) 884-6577 or visit the Ottawa NF website @ www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa.

See reverse side for summary of Stewardship Service Work Items & estimated quantities

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Gypsy Stewardship Projects

Per AT.4.4 Stewardship Credits of Sample Contract

(Refer to Contract Area Map for location of Stewardship Projects)

Stewardship Projects

Brief Project Description of Projects
Site Preparation for Jack Pine Regeneration – Anchor Chaining of 60 Acres of Jack Pine Harvest Units (Payment Unit 01, 08 and 09), following harvest.
Aspen Regeneration Site Preparation of 9 acres of the clearcut payment units (Payment Unit 11), either concurrent or following harvest.

Bidders MUST bid on ALL stewardship work or bid will be considered non-responsive (see the Bid Form for Mandatory and Optional Bid Items). There is no minimum bid for stewardship project work. Specific Bid Items are shown in the Prospectus, Bid Form, and in the Sample Contract. Optional items may be authorized at Contract award, or thereafter. Such authorization may be for a portion or all of the Optional items. Specifications for each stewardship item are included in the SAMPLE CONTRACT. Prospective bidders are encouraged to review these specifications prior to bidding.

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