

NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

**SOUTH SHEARD BRANCH TIMBER SALE
KISATCHIE R. D.**

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on January 21, 2016 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately five (5) miles north of Kisatchie, LA in T5N R8W, Sections 2 and 3 and T6N R8W, Sections 34 and 35 of Natchitoches Parish.

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 884 acres, of which an estimated 354 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains 6 Payment Units: Payment Units 2 – 6 are marked thinnings; Payment Unit 1 is a marked clearcut with reserves. Payment Units 3-6 are marked in blue. Payment Units 1 and 2 are marked in yellow. Payment Units 2, 4 and 6 contain Red-cockaded Woodpecker (RCW) trees where the logging season will be restricted within 200' of the cavity trees to the period outside the nesting season, which is March 1 – July 31. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **December 31, 2018**.

FORM AD-3030-FS: Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status for Corporate Applicants. The form is located behind Page 5 of the Bid for Advertised Timber.

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately 4.25 acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of **\$2110.01**.

PREHAUL ROAD MAINTENANCE: The Purchaser will be required to perform Pre-Haul Road Maintenance on 1.98 miles of Forest Service roads 350B and K36A prior to hauling. The work includes placing 700 tons of Winn rock on these roads. A cost allowance of **\$33,946.38** is estimated for this work and should be considered a logging cost for prospective bidders. See sample contract for specific information.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **\$1.00** per CCF (approximately **\$3,959.78**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately \$442.88 has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

SLASH DISPOSAL: In Payment Units 1 through 6, Slash Disposal will be required in areas where slash accumulation is higher than 2 feet.

All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 472-1840 if you have any questions about this sale.