

Reply to: 2430  
Date: 06/11/2016

Dear Prospective Bidder:

On 07/14/2016, at 02:00 PM, sealed bids will be opened in the District Ranger's Office, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239 for the West Bear Creek sale. This sale is located in Lots 13, 14, 15, 16 and 17 of Warrant 1776, Warrants 1465 and 1778, Highland Township, Elk County, PA. Timber sale Contract 2400-6T will be used. The termination date for this sale is 06/30/2019. This is a small business set-aside sale.

This sale will be preferentially awarded to a qualified small business concern. In the absence of any bids from a self-certifying qualified small business concern, the sale will be readvertised without restriction on the size of bidders.

There are 1.60 miles (2.57 kilometers) of specified road reconstruction. A specified road construction cost of \$47,103.08 has been allowed in the appraisal for this work.

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 1,932 CCF. The Forest Service encourages potential bidders to make their own inspection and estimate prior to bid submission. The Forest Service makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee of the accuracy of the following quantity estimates:

**Estimated Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure**

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Average DBH	Advertised Rates	Base Rates	Required Deposits	
							Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Black Cherry	Sawtimber	CCF	444.00	19.60	\$283.63	\$117.00	\$0.00	\$2.57
Eastern Hemlock	Sawtimber	CCF	7.00	12.70	\$12.00	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$2.57
Hardwood - Other	Sawtimber	CCF	2.00	15.30	\$15.94	\$12.00	\$0.00	\$2.57
Red Maple	Sawtimber	CCF	82.00	17.00	\$94.39	\$42.00	\$0.00	\$2.57
Sugar Maple	Sawtimber	CCF	22.00	16.80	\$132.92	\$42.00	\$0.00	\$2.57
Softwood - Other	Pulpwood	CCF	203.00	8.70	\$1.90	\$1.90	\$0.00	\$2.57
Hardwood - Other	Pulpwood	CCF	1,172.00	10.00	\$1.90	\$1.90	\$0.00	\$2.57
	Total	CCF	1,932.00				\$0.00	\$4,965.24

There is a \$14,000.00 bid guarantee required on this sale.

The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Information regarding this offering can be found on the Allegheny National Forest Website at :  
<http://www.usda.gov/main/allegheny/workingtogether/contracting>

If you wish further information on this sale, the prospectus and bid form, please write or call the District Ranger's Office, 131 Smokey Lane, Marienville, PA 16239, (814) 927-5700.

Sincerely,

  
Rob Fallon

District Ranger