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Route To:

Subject: AP Belmont Integrated Resource Timber Contract (IRTC)

To: Prospective Bidder

Dear Prospective Bidder:

On or before September 20th at 04:30 PM, sealed offers along with accompanying technical proposals will be accepted at the Andrew Pickens Ranger District, Attn: Forest Service Representative, 112 Andrew Pickens Circle, Mountain Rest, SC 29664 for the AP Belmont Stewardship Contract. The FS-2400-13T contract will be used. The termination date for this contract is December 31st, 2019. This contract is located in Mountain Rest, Oconee County of South Carolina, on the Andrew Pickens Ranger District, within timber compartments 28, 38, and 39. Access is via State Highway 28 to State Highway 290 to FR 744 and FR 726.

A pre-bid site tour accompanied by the Forest Service is scheduled for prospective bidders on Tuesday, August 16, starting at 10:00 am at the Andrew Pickens District Office, 112 Andrew Pickens Circle, Mountain Rest, SC, 29664. Contact Victor Wyant at 864-638-9568, or by email: vwyant@fs.fed.us for more information.

There are 2.9 miles of specified road reconstruction included in this contract. Costs of \$35,636 for specified road reconstruction plus \$4,821 for engineering reconstruction services have been accounted for in the timber appraisal. These costs are required to be borne by the contractor.

There is an estimated 1.5 miles of temporary road construction needed to access the timber. Exact location and length of temporary roads is by mutual agreement. Constructed temporary roads are required to be obliterated and revegetated according to requirements of KT-GT.6.0.1#.

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 4,127 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:

In addition to the timber removal component of this contract, there is one mandatory and one optional stewardship projects included in this contract. Your price proposal must include a bid price for all stewardship work projects. The optional project items may be included into the contract at the discretion of the Contracting Officer after the contract is awarded. As this work is completed and accepted, stewardship credits will be applied to the timber sale account.

Offers will be evaluated on a best value basis and bidders must submit a technical proposal describing how stewardship projects will be completed. The technical proposal that is submitted will become a part of the contract when the contract is awarded. A unit rate bid for each timber product is required as well as the per unit rate for completing each stewardship project. Offers will not be publicly opened or disclosed. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all offers.



Estimated Timber Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure

Timber Bid Information:				Rates Per Unit of Measure
Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity	Minimum Acceptable Rate
So. Yellow Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	2,142	\$3.31
Hardwood	Sawtimber	CCF	293	\$3.00
Eastern W. Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	251	\$3.00
Softwood-Other	Pulpwood	CCF	521	\$3.00
Virginia Pine*	Pulpwood	CCF	301	\$3.00
Hardwood	Pulpwood	CCF	619	\$3.00

*All Virginia pine, regardless of size, was cruised as pulpwood and appraised at pulpwood rates.

Stewardship Project Information

Project Number (a)	Project Description (b)	Unit of Measure (c)	Estimated Quantity (d)
<u>Mandatory Stewardship Projects</u>			
M1	Felling non-merchantable trees in harvest units	Acres	81
<u>Optional Stewardship Projects</u>			
O1	Felling non-merchantable trees in harvest units	Acres	105

If you wish further information about this contract, such as Contract Area Maps, Prospectus, Bid Form, Past Performance Questionnaire, and Technical Proposal Form please visit our website:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/sumtertimbersales> or call Victor Wyant at the Andrew Pickens District Ranger's office in Mountain Rest, SC at (864) 638-9568, or by email at vwyant@fs.fed.us.

LARRY WESTCOTT
Contracting Officer