

The Plumas National Forest is soliciting competitive offers for the **Happy Aspen-Pano IRTC Stewardship** . The Happy Aspen-Pano IRTC Stewardship is located within all or portions of T.23N. R12E sections 2,3, and 10; T.11E sections 3,10,11,12,13,14, and 24; T.24N. R12E sections 17,18,19,20,29, and 30. **Sealed – “Best Value” offers will be received at the Plumas National Forest Supervisor's Office, 159 Lawrence St. Quincy, CA 95971, on September 20th 2016 at 10:00 AM local time**, for an estimated 10,170 CCF (5.6 M board feet) of sawtimber marked or otherwise designated for cutting on 900.2 acres and three mandatory stewardship projects and one optional stewardship project. Stewardship projects are: Mandatory Item 001: cut, skid, deck, chip and haul of standing live conifer trees 3” dbh -10.9” dbh along with all tops and limbs from sawtimber material on 900.2 acres. Chipped material will be hauled to The Walker Mine Tailings on Plumas County road 113 to be spread throughout the tailings. This project will work closely with the State of California to preform this stewardship item. Mandatory Item 002: cutting of all conifer stumps with a 4” stump diameter and greater on and estimated 151 acres and an estimated 2920 stumps to no more than 3” in height within Aspen Treatment units and meadow areas within Meadow Enhancement units for visual asthetics. Mandatory Item 003: hand thin on and estimated 73 acres of small material under 3” dbh and/or 3” dbh to 10.9” dbh that cannot be cut with a feller/buncher within Aspen Treatment units and meadow areas within Meadow Enhancement units. Hand piling will be required in areas where a feller/buncher cannot enter and be placed outside of the meadow’s edge. Optional Item 004: required recontouring of excavated bench skid trails if purchaser chooses to construct on an estimated +/- 1 mile of trail outside of RHCAs/SMZs inless approved by Hydrologist specialist. Contract contains Specified Roads and deposits for Road Reconstruction Engineering.

A Pre-Bid field trip will be scheduled for August 17, 2016, meeting at Lake Davis dam at 9:00 AM. To reach the Lake Davis dam from Portola, travel north on Lake Davis Rd (West St.) for approximately 10 miles till you reach the Lake Davis dam and rest area.

The Forest Service will evaluate competitive offers submitted by offerors who present a price offer and technical proposal according to the information found under the section in the offer titled “Instructions to Offerors.” Evaluation factors for this project are organizational experience, organizational past performance, local community economic enhancement (including small business enhancement), understanding the Government’s requirements, and price. One award will be made to the offeror whose proposal is technically acceptable and whose technical/price relationship is the “best value” to the Government. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all offers. A prospectus is available to the public and interested offerors from the offices listed below. Information concerning the timber and stewardship projects specific to this project, and submission of offers is available to the public from the District Ranger, Beckwourth Ranger District, 23 Mohawk Rd, Blairsden, CA 96013 or at: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/resources/plumas/landmanagement/resourcemanagement>.

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