

Mandatory Estimated Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Rates Per Unit of Measure			
				Base Rate	Advertised Rate	Additional Deposits for Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Mandatory Timber Cutting Units :							
Combined Softwood	Sawtimber	Ton	61,116.00	\$.56	\$0.56	\$0.00	\$0.00
	TOTAL	Ton	61,116.00			\$0.00	\$0.00

Optional Estimated Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Rates Per Unit of Measure			
				Base Rate	Advertised Rate	Additional Deposits for Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Not Applicable							

Total Value Bidding:

Prospective Contractors must submit bids for the timber portion of the contract in terms of the minimum acceptable total contract value. The Bid for Integrated Resource Contract (FS-2400-14BV) states minimum acceptable bid rates and estimated quantities of timber, together with the minimum acceptable total timber value. The advertised minimum acceptable total timber value is only for the biddable species, as listed on the offer form in the upper section of block 14. It does not include any non-biddable, fixed rate species listed in the middle section of block 14 titled "Only the Fixed Rate Applies." The offeror should enter the offer on the offer form only in terms of the total timber value. The Forest Service shall establish timber bid rates by species in the contract by multiplying each species' minimum acceptable bid rate by the bid increase percentage. Such rates will be rounded to the nearest cent. The bid increase percentage is the offeror's total timber value bid rate divided by the minimum acceptable total timber value. The total amount for stumpage is the volume of each biddable species multiplied by its bid rate, plus the volume of each fixed rate species multiplied by its fixed rate.

If the contract includes optional timber cutting units and offeror elects to bid on those units, bids for optional units are entered on the lower section of block 14. By entering bids for optional timber cutting units on the lower section of the offer form, offeror is agreeing to harvest the optional timber units. Procedures for distributing bid premium are as described in the previous paragraph and total timber value becomes the sum of mandatory and optional timber units.

Timber Subject to Agreement

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Fixed Rates	Slash Disposal Deposits	Road Maintenance Deposits
Combined Softwood	Cull Logs	Ton	\$0.10	\$0.00	\$0.00
Combined Softwood	Grn Bio Cv	Ton	\$0.10	\$0.00	\$0.00

All of the mandatory stewardship work items, as shown in A.4.3 or AT.4.4 of the sample contract, shall be performed. Optional stewardship work items, as shown in A.4.3 or AT.4.4 of the sample contract, shall be performed when authorized in writing by Contracting Officer. Such authorization may be for all or a portion of the quantity shown. Optional stewardship work items may be selected and authorized in any order. Upon written request of Contractor, additional stewardship work items shall be considered and authorized; however, Contracting Officer shall not be obligated to authorize additional stewardship work items if three or more authorized optional stewardship work items or any of the mandatory stewardship work items remain uncompleted. Contracting Officer shall not be obligated to authorize additional stewardship work items at any time if Contracting Officer determines that there is insufficient value of remaining designated timber to cover the value of additional stewardship work items.

Stewardship Schedule of Work Items			
Item Number (a)	Work Activity Description (b)	Unit of Measure (c)	Estimated Quantity (d)
Mandatory Stewardship Work Items			
1	Small Tree Thinning and Removal	Acres	272.80
Optional Stewardship Work Items			
2	Small Tree Thinning and Removal	Acres	53.90
3	Machine Piling	Acres	95.60

5. PERIOD OF CONTRACT. The normal operating season covers the period between 05/01 and 10/15.

Contract termination date is 12/31/2019. Extensions of this contract may be granted only when the contractor has met specified conditions.

Upon acceptance by the Forest Service, the technical proposal is a binding part of the contract and shall include, but is not limited to, plan periods for and methods of work activities. The Contractor must also submit an annual schedule of operations before commencing operations. This schedule will include the anticipated major activities and needs for harvest. This annual schedule of operations does not require concurrence of the Forest Service.

6. PAYMENT. Payment for timber and any required deposits for slash disposal or road maintenance are required in advance of cutting. Contractor may earn stewardship credits or provide an acceptable payment guarantee prior to cutting. "Stewardship Credits" are credits that are earned and established when work described in K(T)-G(T).9# of the sample contract has been performed and accepted. Stewardship Credits shall be earned at the offer rate as shown in the awarded contract. Earned Stewardship Credits may be used to pay for Included Timber value in excess of Base Rates and Required Deposits. Base Rates and Required Deposits must be paid in cash.

If an offeror elects to have the Forest Service construct specified roads, the contract shall provide for collection of not less than the full estimated cost of the roads stated in this prospectus, in addition to the current contract rate value and required deposits. Contract Form FS-2400-13 provides for collecting the estimated public works road construction cost as timber is scaled, at a rate accelerated on 80 percent of the estimated volume.

If offeror elects the road option, payment for right-of-way timber will be made in advance of cutting. The timber will be decked by the road contractor and will be made available to the Contractor when notified by Forest Service of location and availability. If Contractor and road contractor agree, Contractor may cut and remove right-of-way timber as part of the specified road construction.

7. PERFORMANCE BOND. Not Applicable.

8. SPECIFIED ROADS. The Forest Service has determined that the following National Forest System roads shall be constructed or paid for, in whole or in part, by the Contractor. Sufficient information to permit a prospective offeror to calculate the likely cost to be incurred for road construction is available at the Forest Supervisor's Office. See the sample contract for verification of specific details and information concerning construction specifications. CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATES AND INFORMATION CONTAINED HEREIN, TOGETHER WITH RELATED SPECIFICATIONS, ARE NOT GUARANTEED. The following roads are those that Forest Service considers necessary to remove the timber from this contract.

Road Number	Road Name	Traffic Service Level	Approximate Miles/Kilometers	Estimated Road Construction Cost	Type of Work *
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10N32C	32C	D	0.55 / 0.89	\$3,700.45	R
10N50NA	50NA	D	0.44 / 0.71	\$5,092.06	R
11N46	ALDER CREEK	D	2.98 / 4.8	\$47,458.78	R
10N31W	BEAN WATER	D	0.03 / 0.05	\$5,659.00	R
10N31A	BEANVILLE CR	D	0.54 / 0.87	\$14,565.32	R
10N50N	DARLINGTON SPUR	D	0.97 / 1.56	\$3,529.67	R
10N32A	LITTLE BEAN	D	1.36 / 2.19	\$15,579.24	R
10N52A	LOOKOUT SPUR NORTH	D	0.17 / 0.27	\$1,472.01	R
10N52	LOOKOUT TIE	D	0.77 / 1.24	\$9,120.21	R
10N31B	MIDDLE BEAN	D	1.16 / 1.87	\$10,078.32	R
10N31	MIDDLE BEANVILLE CREEK	D	1.71 / 2.75	\$15,042.01	R
10N42	MILL CREEK	D	2.74 / 4.41	\$15,145.50	R
10N41B	MILL SCREECH	D	0.34 / 0.55	\$2,800.46	R
ALL ROADS	MOBILIZATION	D	0.1 / 0.16	\$7,000.00	R
10N43C	PLUM LIGHT	D	0.53 / 0.85	\$17,500.46	R
10N40J	SCREECH OWL WEST	D	0.28 / 0.45	\$3,883.04	R
10N40B	UPPER BULL CREEK	D	0.7 / 1.13	\$13,915.60	R
10N40R	WATER #1	D	0.01 / 0.02	\$6,040.00	R

* C = Construction
R = Reconstruction

The required specified road completion date for all roads is 06/30/2018. If provision K(T)-F(T).1.3# - Road Completion Date has different dates for projects, this is the final road completion date.

Total estimated road construction cost allowed in appraisal is \$197,582.13

An offeror qualifying as a small business concern may elect to have the Forest Service construct the specified roads listed above. Completion dates for construction apply whether construction is performed by the Contractor or by the Forest Service. If the offeror elects Forest Service construction, it is the Forest Service's intent to perform construction through CONTRACT. The Forest Service shall not award the contract unless either it receives a satisfactory road construction bid or, if it fails to receive such a bid within 90 days of tentative award, the offeror agrees to perform road construction.

If Contractor elects Forest Service construction, the total estimated public works construction cost that would be paid in addition to current contract rates is \$266,735.79. See provision K(T)-E(T).1.2# - Amount Payable for Timber in the sample contract for additional information.

The following changes will be made to the sample contract when the Forest Service constructs specified roads:

A(T)3 - Timber Designations: "Specified Road Clearing" will be changed to "Construction Clearing" K-C.3.2.3

A(T)7 - Change the title to "Permanent Roads To Be Constructed by Forest Service."

A22 or AT19 - Make the following changes in A22 or AT19:

- Add K-C.3.2.3 - Construction Clearing.
- Add K-E.1.2# - Amount Payable for Timber.
- Add K-I.4.1 - Limitation of Performance by Other Than Contractor.

9. ROAD MAINTENANCE. Contractor shall perform or pay for road maintenance work, commensurate with Contractor's use, on roads controlled by Forest Service, and used by Contractor in connection with this contract. Road maintenance requirements are based on the predicted haul route. Any change in the Contractor's actual haul route may necessitate a change in the roads to be maintained and/or in the amount of required deposit for road maintenance. Required deposits for road maintenance are listed in provision K(T)-F(T).3.2# in the sample contract. Maintenance specifications are in the sample contract.

10. INAPPLICABLE STANDARD PROVISIONS. See sample contract.

11. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. See sample contract.

12. SET-ASIDE CONTRACTS. Not Applicable.

13. LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS. The contract requires domestic processing of included timber except for species declared to be surplus, and prohibits the use of such included timber in substitution for unprocessed private timber exported. The offeror, by signing the offer for advertised timber, certifies compliance with the applicable prohibitions against export and substitution prescribed in the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 U.S.C. 620, et seq.) with each offer.

14. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE REVIEW. If the total contract value for this contract exceeds \$10 million, before award, the Forest Service shall request an equal employment opportunity compliance review of the Contractor to determine compliance with the provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967 and Executive Order No. 12086 of October 5, 1978.

15. AWARD. The Contracting Officer is required to make a determination of Contractor responsibility as stated in Title 36, Section 223.101, of the Code of Federal Regulations. To determine a Contractor to be responsible, a Contracting Officer must find that:

- a. The Contractor has adequate financial resources to perform the contract or the ability to obtain them;
- b. The Contractor is able to perform the contract within the contract term taking into consideration all existing contracts and Governmental business commitments;
- c. The Contractor has a satisfactory performance record on similar type contracts. A prospective Contractor that is or recently has been seriously deficient in contract performance shall be presumed not to be responsible, unless the Contracting Officer determines that the circumstances were beyond the Contractor's control and were not created through improper actions by the Contractor or affiliate, or that the Contractor has taken appropriate corrective action. Past failure to apply sufficient tenacity and perseverance to perform acceptably under a contract is strong evidence that a Contractor is not responsible. The Contracting Officer shall consider the number of contracts involved and extent of deficiency of each in making this evaluation;
- d. The Contractor has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- e. The Contractor has or is able to obtain equipment and supplies suitable for completing the requirements of the contract;
- f. The Contractor is otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

Offerors, by signing the offer form, certify that, to the best of offeror's knowledge, the offeror will meet the requirements in 36 CFR 223.101, determination of Contractor responsibility, and if awarded this contract, that offeror will complete the contract and any modifications thereof in accordance with its terms including requirements to purchase, cut, and remove included timber or forest products and complete stewardship projects by the termination date.

16. FALSE STATEMENTS ACT. Offerors, by signing the offer form, certify that they are aware that offeror is subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001, Chapter 47, Fraud and False Statements (P.L. 104-45). The Act states "whoever, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals or covers up by any trick, scheme, or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both."

17. DAMAGES. This contract shall be terminated for breach if: 1) Contractor fails to execute this stewardship contract or furnish a satisfactory performance bond by the date required in the award letter, if required; or 2) offeror is found to have violated the False Statements Act in making any statement or certification on the offer form including not meeting responsibility requirements, and offeror has made a false statement.

18. SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION. Non-procurement debarments and suspensions are governed by the Government-wide common rules (7 CFR 3017).

These rules require each contractor, to submit a certification for itself, its principals, and its affiliates when submitting an offer on stewardship contracts. The offeror must designate its status regarding debarment, suspension, and other matters as specified on the offer form. The offeror, by signing the offer, certifies this status. An explanation for not submitting a certification may be submitted. The Contracting Officer will determine whether the explanation provides sufficient reason for permitting participation in the competition. Also, as a Contractor enters into transactions with subcontractors, these subcontractors must certify their eligibility. The certification titled "Subcontractor Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion" must be provided to subcontractors, but completed certifications are not required to be submitted with the offer. Contractor must keep these subcontractor certification forms on file for review by the Forest Service, if requested.

The certification forms and instructions for subcontractors transactions are provided as an addendum to the offer form.

19. OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA) REGULATIONS. Conduct of operations on this contract is subject to compliance with all OSHA requirements related to the various work activities. Inspection by OSHA may include inspection for compliance with the logging operations regulations at 29 CFR 1910.266. This standard is applicable to the entire logging industry wherever logging operations occur. Information is available to assist Contractors to ensure compliance with the logging operations regulations during conduct of this contract from the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, OSHA, California Department of Industrial Relations, 1515 Clay Street, Suite 1901, Oakland, California 94612.

20. GENERAL. Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030, Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status For Corporate Applicants. Copies of this form may be obtained from the Forest Service office shown on page 1 of this prospectus or electronically at:

<http://www.ocio.usda.gov/policy-directives-records-forms/forms-management/approved-computer-generated-forms>.

SCALING

Sawtimber removed will be weighed at an approved location. Purchaser will bear all costs for weight services. Notwithstanding A10 and C6.816#, Forest Service intends to process weight certificates into the Timber Sale Accounting System at no cost to purchaser.

Non Sawtimber - C2.21# - Utilization and Removal of Non-Sawtimber Products and C4.11 - Amount Payable for Non-Sawlog Products is included in this contract. Refer to these provisions for clarification.

SPECIAL INFORMATION

The Pilliken Forest Health Stewardship Project includes one mandatory stewardship project which is Small Tree Thinning and Removal on 272.8 acres.

Within this contract there are individual tree marking units of natural stands of 381.8 acres and plantations that are designation by spacing for 986.6 acres.

1. Volume Determination

Estimated volumes for this sale were generated using random sampling and plot cruising for all subdivisions, resulting in a grand total of 18,332 CCF (9,039 MBF) and 61,116 Tons sawtimber. Sampling error for the sale as a whole is approximately 12.71%. The cubic volume was converted to tons using the following conversion factors: 68 lbs/gross cubic foot for ponderosa pine, 69 lbs/gross cubic foot for sugar pine and white fir, 63 lbs/gross cubic foot for Douglas fir and 58 lbs/gross cubic foot for incense cedar for this contract.

2. Designation of Timber

K-C.3.5# - Designation of Timber and Subdivision/Payment Unit Boundaries. (6/2012) Sawtimber trees designated for cutting within all Natural Stands (See Contract Map) are painted with blue or green painted stripe above DBH and blue or green painted mark below stump height on trees 10-29.0 inches DBH on approximately 381.8 acres.

Within Plantations that are plot cruised (See Contract Map) the use of K-C.3.5.1# - Designation by Spacing (9/2004) is being used on approximately 986.6 acres.

Non-sawtimber small trees are designated by prescription as specified in K-G.9# on approximately 272.8 acres and apply to varies units within the sale (See Clause or Contract Map)

Boundaries of units have been marked in 3 orange horizontal stripes at DBH facing into the unit on boundary trees and a orange mark below stump height. These boundary trees are not designate for cutting.

3. Road Use

a. The appraised haul routes to the Sierra Pacific Industries Lumber Mill in Lincoln begins at the Contract Area in 3 different haul routes. Route 1 is going along 10N40 (Plum Creek Road), route 2 is along 10N50 (Mormon Emigrant Trail) and route 3 is along 11N46 Alder Creek Road.

Surface Replacement Deposits. Sale average is \$1.22/Ton. Surface Replacement Deposits will be paid in addition to stumpage.

b. K-F.3.1# - Road Maintenance Requirements. (9/2004) Contractor is responsible for road maintenance commensurate with its use during and post haul as indicated in the sample contract.

c. Water use. There are various locations of water sources available. See Contract Area Map for specific locations. Other sources may be used if Forest Service agrees in writing. Complete abatement shall be continuous as needed to abate dust, refer to the Dust Abatement Plan in the Sample Contract.

d. There are 5 temporary roads for use within the sale area adjacent to Highway 50. See Contract Map for locations. Appraisal allowances were made to accomodate this work.

4. K-G.2.2# - Protection of Improvements (5/2008)

Protection of improvements includes: gates, signs, cattleguards, barbwire fences, property lines and signs and survey monumented corners. If damaged, they shall be repaired or replaced within 15 day to its original condition and work and cost borne by contractor.

5. K-G.2.4# - Site Specific Special Protection Measures (9/2004) is included in the Contract. CA-1, No operations permitted within zones flagged with pink and/or black checkered flagging. CA-2, No operations permitted within zones flagged with pink and green flagging. CA-3, No operations, parking, or staging, is permitted within zones posted with orange flagging having "Noxious Weed" printed on the orange flagging. Not all CA-1 sites may be currently posted but shall be posted prior to operations.

6. K-G.3.1.5# - Project Operations Schedule. (12/2006)

Unless otherwise agreed in writing, Contractor's Operations shall be performed in accordance with the operating schedule in the Sample Contract.

7. K-G.4.1# - Felling, Bucking and Limbing (8/2007)

Directional felling away from protect private land, property lines, protected streamcourses, controlled areas, leave islands, gates, barbwire fences, cattleguards and survey monumented corners in order to protect these features. Whole tree yarding <24" at DBH is required.

8. K-G.4.2# - Ground Based Skidding. (12/2006)

Unless otherwise agreed in writing, the method of skidding Included Timber shall be as shown on the Contract Area Map, by areas, with symbols defined in sample contract: Mechanical Harvest (MH), Leading End Suspended (SUSP) and Endlining (ENDL), location of skidtrails (TRAC) and spacing of skid trails (SPACE).

9. K-G.7# - Slash Treatment (12/2006)

10. K-G.9# - Stewardship Projects. (09/2004).

Contractor may propose alternative treatments in its technical proposal that will achieve the same or similar end results.

Provision K-G.9# contains the specifications for performance of stewardship project #1. This treatment is Mandatory Small Tree Thinning and Removal. See Provision K-G.9# attached to this prospectus.

11. Specified Fire Requirements - Prospective contractors are advised that all relevant specified fire precautions will remain in force during the Stewardship Project phases of this contract, even in the absence of active logging. Offerors are encouraged to review the sample contract provisions for fire prevention: K-H.2# - Specified Fire Precautions. (06/2012), and K-H.2.2# - Emergency Precautions. (06/2012).

12. K-G.5 Streamcourse Protection. (2/2005). Buffer strips are identified on Contract Area Map unless flagged with yellow and white candy stripe flagging with black lettering "Equipment Exclusion Zone". No ground disturbing activities, unless otherwise agreed in writing.

The successful offeror shall register in the Central Contractor Registration (CCR) at www.ccr.gov.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION OF TECHNICAL AND PRICE PROPOSALS

(a) General Instructions. Proposals submitted shall be furnished in the following format with the numbers of copies as specified below.

(1) - The proposal must include a technical proposal and price proposal. Each of the parts shall be separate and complete so that evaluation of one may be accomplished independently from evaluation of the other. The technical proposal must not contain reference to cost.

(2) - Offerors may, at their discretion, submit alternate proposals or proposals which deviate from the requirement; provided, that an offeror also submit a proposal for performance of the work as specified in the statement of work. Any "alternate" proposal may be considered if overall performance would be improved or not compromised, and if it is in the best interest of the Government. Alternate proposals, or deviations from any requirement of this Request for Proposal (RFP), must be clearly identified.

OR

(2) Offerors must submit a proposal that meets all requirements specified in the sample contract. No alternate proposals will be accepted.

(3) - The Government will evaluate proposals in accordance with the evaluation criteria set forth below.

(4) - Offerors shall submit their proposal(s) in the following format and the quantities specified:

(i.) One copy of the completed, signed offer form FS-2400-14BV or FS-2400-14BVU provided by the Forest Service for this contract.

(ii.) Three copies of the technical proposal.

(iii.) One copy of the business/cost proposal.

(b) Technical Proposal Instructions. Technical proposals will be evaluated to determine the ability of the Contractor to meet the requirements of the Government. As a minimum, the proposal must clearly provide the following: See the attached Technical Proposal Form for the Evaluation Factors and Subfactors.

EVALUATION, NEGOTIATION AND AWARD PROCESS

Proposals will be evaluated and rated to determine which offerors are within a competitive range, price and other factors considered. Award may be made without further negotiations. Proposals should be submitted initially on the most favorable terms that the offeror can submit to the Government, from both price and technical standpoints. However the Government may, after evaluation of proposals, conduct further oral or written discussions as appropriate, with all offerors whose proposals are within a competitive range. Proposals that do not address one or more criteria or subfactors, may not be considered further for award.

Firms lacking a past performance record (e.g., new firms or those with no relevant experience within their organization) will be treated as an unknown performance risk, receiving a neutral score in this criteria. A neutral score will be established as the average of all other competing offerors, or the average of the total score available, whichever is less.

EVALUATION CRITERIA

The evaluation factors for this contract and their relative importance are listed below in descending order of priority. All subfactors within a factor are equal in weight.

<u>Factor</u>	<u>Approximate Weight</u>
A. Price	52%
B. Technical Approach	16%
1. Plan of Operations	
2. Quality Control	
3. Contract Manager and On-the-Ground Supervisor(s)	
4. Equipment	
5. Production Capability	
C. Capability and Past Performance	16%
1. Key Personnel	
2. Subcontractors	
3. Past Contacts	
D. Utilization of Local Workforce	16%
E. Other	0%

Award Statement. One award will be made to the offeror (a) whose proposal is technically acceptable and (b) whose technical/price relationship is the most advantageous to the Government. All technical evaluation factors (B-D), when combined, are of less importance than price (A). The critical factor in making any technical/price trade-off is not the spread between the technical ratings, but rather the significance of that difference. The significance of the spread in ratings will be determined on the basis of what that difference might mean in terms of performance and what it would cost the Government to take advantage of it. Award may not necessarily be made for technical capabilities that would appear to exceed those needed for fulfilling the requirements of this contract. The Government reserves the right to make cost/technical trade-offs that are in the best interest and to the advantage of the Government.

Price proposals will not be scored.

POSTAWARD DEBRIEFING OF OFFERORS

- (a) (1) An offeror, upon its written request received by the agency within 3 days after the date on which that offeror has received notification of contract award in shall be debriefed and furnished the basis for the selection decision and contract award.
- (2) To the maximum extent practicable, the debriefing should occur within 5 days after receipt of the written request.
- (3) An offeror that was notified of exclusion from the competition, but failed to submit a timely request, is not entitled to a debriefing.
- (4) (i) Untimely debriefing requests may be accommodated.
- (ii) Government accommodation of a request for delayed debriefing, or any untimely debriefing request, does not automatically extend the deadlines for filing protests. Debriefings delayed could affect the timeliness of any protest filed subsequent to the debriefing.
- (b) Debriefings of successful and unsuccessful offerors may be done orally, in writing, or by any other method acceptable to the Contracting Officer.
- (c) The Contracting Officer should normally chair any debriefing session held. Individuals who conducted the evaluations shall provide support.
- (d) At a minimum, the debriefing information shall include-
- (1) The Government's evaluation of the significant weaknesses or deficiencies in the offeror's proposal, if applicable;
- (2) The overall evaluated cost or price (including unit prices) and technical rating, if applicable, of the successful offeror and the debriefed offeror, and past performance information on the debriefed offeror;
- (3) The overall ranking of all offerors, when any ranking was developed by the agency during the source selection;
- (4) A summary of the rationale for award;
- (5) For acquisitions of commercial items, the make and model of the item to be delivered by the successful offeror; and
- (6) Reasonable responses to relevant questions about whether source selection procedures contained in the solicitation, applicable regulations, and other applicable authorities were followed.
- (e) The debriefing shall not include point-by-point comparisons of the debriefed offeror's proposal with those of other offerors. Moreover, the debriefing shall not reveal any information prohibited from disclosure by Federal Acquisitions Regulations 24.202 or exempt from release under the Freedom of Information Act (5 U.S.C. 552) including-
- (1) Trade secrets;
- (2) Privileged or confidential manufacturing processes and techniques;
- (3) Commercial and financial information that is privileged or confidential, including cost breakdowns, profit, indirect cost rates, and similar information; and
- (4) The names of individuals providing reference information about an offeror's past performance.
- (f) An official summary of the debriefing shall be included in the contract file.

K-G.9# – STEWARDSHIP PROJECTS. (9/04) Performance of stewardship projects shall be in accordance with the following specifications.

- SPECIFICATIONS:** The Pilliken Forest Health Stewardship Project includes small tree thinning/removal. The table below identifies the specification applicable to each unit.

**PILLIKEN FOREST HEALTH STEWARDSHIP PROJECT
SPECIFICATION TABLE**

Unit	Acres*	Logging System MH**	Project #1	Project #2	Project #3
			Mandatory Small Tree Thinning & Removal*	Optional Small Tree Thinning & Removal*	Optional Tractor Piling
612 032	17.1	MH	17.1	0	0
610 143	60	MH	60	0	0
614 103	19.9	MH	19.9	0	0
614 102	9.1	MH	9.1	0	0
610 154	7.8	MH	7.8	0	0
610 153	4.5	MH	4.5	0	0
614 110	11.3	MH	11.3	0	0
612 015-1	9.9	MH	9.9	0	0
611 221	5.3	MH	5.3	0	0
612 035	3.2	MH	3.2	0	0
614 118	15.7	MH	15.7	0	0
614 119-1	8.1	MH	8.1	0	0
610 134	10	MH	10	0	0
610 152	1.4	MH	1.4	0	0
610 149	4.4	MH	4.4	0	0
615 045	2.7	MH	2.7	0	0
615 048	4.5	MH	4.5	0	0
614 017-3	17.8	MH	17.8	0	0
614 017-2	19.4	MH	19.4	0	0
614 104-11	6.1	MH	6.1	0	0
614 104-2	3.4	MH	3.4	0	0
614 104-3	4	MH	4	0	0
614 104-4	7.8	MH	7.8	0	0
614 113	2.9	MH	2.9	0	0
614 108	1.6	MH	1.6	0	0
612 024-1	9.7	MH	9.7	0	0
612 026-2	5.2	MH	5.2	0	0
614 111	0.4	MH	0	0.4	0
614 017-1	53.5	MH	0	53.5	0
611 222	15.3	MH	0	0	15.3
611 214	33.8	MH	0	0	33.8
610 145	46.5	MH	0	0	46.5
Totals	422.3		272.8	53.9	95.6

*acres have been adjusted to delete streamcourse buffer strips, low site and steep ground \geq 35% slope based on GIS mapping.

**MH: Mechanized Harvesting (K-G.4.2#, K-G.4.1.7#)

Only one Option below will be selected by the Forest Service at contract award

Project 1 Mandatory - SMALL TREE THINNING AND REMOVAL (refer to Specification table above and A.4.3.)

- Unless otherwise agreed, in all units designated for project #1, the contractor shall cut all conifer trees greater than or equal to **5" stump diameter** and less than or equal to 12" stump diameter not selected as leave trees. Unless otherwise agreed, Small Tree Thinning requirements shall be done

concurrently with the logging activities. Unless otherwise agreed, no small tree thinning shall occur within streamcourse buffer strips, within 100 feet of 9N30, or leave islands shown on Contract Area Map.

2. Unless otherwise agreed, in all units designated for Project #1, all non-sawlog bole material greater than or equal to 10 feet in length from all conifer trees required to be cut shall be removed to landings or agreed upon disposal sites within the units and machine piled or decked in accordance with K-G.7# - Slash Treatment.
3. Contractor shall select leave trees less than or equal to 12" stump diameter using the following specifications:
 - a. Contractor shall select leave trees less than or equal to 12" stump diameter to retain a 20-25 feet spacing between leave trees, taking into account all merchantable leave trees (trees with stump diameter greater than or equal to 12 inches without blue paint). Hardwood trees are to be ignored in terms of determining conifer tree spacing. For selection of leave trees refer to the table included in this section.
 - b. No Pacific Yews, Black Oaks, Dogwoods, Elderberries, and California Nutmegs shall be cut unless cutting is necessary for equipment accessibility.
 - c. All stump heights, including trees and brush shall be 3 inches or less on the up-hill side.
 - d. Species in order of preference when choosing leave trees are ponderosa pine, sugar pine, Douglas fir, white fir, and incense cedar.
4. Forest Service, or Contractor by agreement, shall identify small groups (1/8 acre or less) of conifer saplings to be left uncut to meet wildlife cover objectives. Approximately 1 group per 10 acres shall be identified to be left uncut.

Characteristics of Acceptable Leave Tree	Characteristics of Cut Trees
1. Dominance - Trees are taller than others of same age class.	1. Suppressed trees, shorter than others.
2. Foliage - Dark green color, thick over entire tree.	2. Tree crown has yellow or reddish color sparse foliage.
3. Straight bole.	3. Bent, crook or fork.
4. Single branch terminal.	4. Two or more leaders of approximately equal length.
5. Free from physical damage.	5. Physical damage caused by wind, falling trees, frost cracks, animals.
6. Free from insect or disease damage as indicated by color of foliage.	6. Damage caused by insect or disease, and trees with notable signs of decline.

PROJECT #2 OPTIONAL - SMALL TREE THINNING AND REMOVAL (refer to Specification table above and A.4.3.)

1. Unless otherwise agreed, in all units designated for project #1, the contractor shall cut all conifer trees greater than or equal to **5" stump diameter** and less than or equal to 12" stump diameter not selected as leave trees. Unless otherwise agreed, Small Tree Thinning requirements shall be done concurrently with the logging activities. Unless otherwise agreed, no small tree thinning shall occur within streamcourse buffer strips, within 100 feet of 9N30, or leave islands shown on Contract Area Map.
2. Unless otherwise agreed, in all units designated for Project #1, all non-sawlog bole material greater than or equal to 10 feet in length from all conifer trees required to be cut shall be removed to landings or agreed upon disposal sites within the units and machine piled or decked in accordance with K-G.7# - Slash Treatment.
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3. Straight bole.	3. Bent, crook or fork.
4. Single branch terminal.	4. Two or more leaders of approximately equal length.
5. Free from physical damage.	5. Physical damage caused by wind, falling trees, frost cracks, animals.
6. Free from insect or disease damage as indicated by color of foliage.	6. Damage caused by insect or disease, and trees with notable signs of decline.

PROJECT 3 OPTIONAL – Machine Piling (refer to Specification table above and A.4.3.)

- 1. Unless otherwise agreed, on slopes < 35%, in all units designated for Project #3, all conifer slash, preexisting vegetative debris greater than 1 inch in diameter and greater than 3 feet long, and unmerchantable down logs shall be Machine Piled in accordance with K-G.7# - Slash Treatment-Machine Piling.
- 2. Machine piling shall be conducted to retain ground cover such as duff and litter largely intact to maintain soil cover. Unless otherwise agreed, Machine Piling in each unit shall be completed within 90 days of acceptance of logging requirements by Forest Service.

II. INSPECTION AND ACCEPTANCE

Inspection (General). Government inspections are for the purpose of satisfying the Government that the services are acceptable and do not relieve the Contractor of the responsibility for maintaining quality control. The Contractor shall conduct inspections on all units in accordance with Contractor's Quality Control Plan included in the Contractor's technical proposal which is made a part of this contract.

Government Inspections. The Forest Service Representative, Project Administrator or designated inspector will conduct all inspections. The Contractor (or designated representative) is encouraged to be present to observe inspections. Inspections will be a walk-through visual examination of the unit. Refer to G.3.6 Acceptance of Work.

Measurement for Stewardship Credit. Acreage was measured on a horizontal plane using a Global Positioning System. Unless otherwise indicated by this contract, the contractor may request remeasurement of any quantities. The request must be made in writing and must be made within 10 calendar days of completing work on the unit in question. If remeasurement indicates a variance of five percent or less from the stated quantity, the Forest Service may deduct Stewardship Credits to the Contractor equal to the cost of this remeasurement. If remeasurement indicates a variance of more than five percent from the stated quantity, Stewardship Credits will be based on the remeasured quantity, and the Contractor will not be liable for the costs of remeasurement. All remeasurements will be done by the Forest Service.

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The Forest Service may remeasure quantities of completed stewardship project work at its discretion. Forest Service will bear all costs for discretionary remeasurement. Remeasured quantities will be the basis for awarding Stewardship Credits.

Remeasurement of acreage will be done using a Global Positioning System.