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Date: April 13, 2020

Dear Timber Purchaser:

On March 23, 2020, timber purchasers were notified that future timber sale bids would be accepted by mail only. To better assist in that process, I would like to advise you of the requirements for handling of bids that arrive after the scheduled time for acceptance.

Bids may be considered if received AFTER the date and time of bid opening if one of the following conditions exists:

1. Late bid was due to mishandling by the Forest Service after delivery by the post office (for example, failure to pick up or process the mail).
2. Bid was sent by registered or certified mail not later than the 5th calendar day before the date specified for receipt of bids.
3. Bid was sent by USPS Express Mail Next Day Service 2 working days prior to the date specified for receipt of bids.

If none of the three conditions listed above exists, the bid will be considered late, will not be opened, and will be promptly returned to the sender.

Also, future bid openings are closed to public participation, Prospective Bidders will be notified via email/fax of bid results.

This notification emailed on 04-13-2020

If you have any additional questions regarding this email, please contact me at 814.728.6183 or [david.cotterman@usda.gov](mailto:david.cotterman@usda.gov)

Sincerely,

*David O. Cotterman*

DAVID O. COTTERMAN  
Contracting Officer

