

NOTICE TO ALL TIMBER PURCHASERS

C-21 COUCH TIMBER SALE CANEY R. D.

Bids will be received at the Forest Supervisor's Office, 2500 Shreveport Highway, Pineville, LA on April 8, 2014 at 9:00 AM.

LOCATION: This sale is located approximately three (3) miles north of Minden, LA in T19N, R9W, Sections 2 & 3 of Webster Parish.

INCLUDED TIMBER: The sale area consists of about 224 acres, of which an estimated 160 acres are designated for cutting. The sale contains 3 Payment Units, two of which are marked thinning units marked with blue or yellow paint (PU-1 blue and PU-2 yellow), and one of which is a marked shelterwood unit (PU-3) marked in blue. The boundaries of the Payment Units are marked with orange paint.

LENGTH OF CONTRACT: The Contract termination date will be **September 30, 2016.**

EROSION CONTROL: The Purchaser will be responsible for seeding and fertilizing approximately 1.5 acres to Forest Service specifications. The Purchaser may elect to enter into a cooperative agreement with the Forest Service to have the Erosion Control work performed in exchange for a cooperative deposit in the amount of **\$806.43.**

ROADS: PREHAUL ROAD MAINTENANCE: The Purchaser will be required to perform Pre-Haul Road Maintenance on 0.6 miles of Forest Service road 804 prior to hauling. The work includes placing 600 tons of SB-2 rock on this road. A cost allowance of **\$32,260.23** is estimated for this work and should be considered a logging cost for prospective bidders. See sample contract for specific information.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: The purchaser will be responsible for making a required deposit (16 U.S.C. 537) in the amount of **\$0.20** per CCF (approximately **\$616.44**) for using Forest Service roads to haul timber. Additionally, a cost allowance for Purchaser required road maintenance on secondary roads of approximately \$179.22 has been made in the appraised value of the timber.

SLASH DISPOSAL: In Payment Units 1 through 3, Slash Disposal will be required in areas where slash accumulation is higher than 2 feet.

All interested bidders should investigate the sale area and the sample contract prior to submission of bids, and become familiar with the provisions mentioned above and others which apply to this timber sale contract. Please contact the District Office at (318) 927-2061 if you have any questions about this sale.