

**TWIG STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT Highlights (Page 1 of 2)**  
**Watersmeet Ranger District**  
 OTTAWA NATIONAL FOREST

- **Stewardship End Result Contracting** includes Service Projects that earn Stewardship Credits upon completion of the Project that are used to pay for Included Timber (goods) within the Contract Area.
- The Contract Area is along FR 6930 (Matchwood Tower Rd, starting 0.8 miles west of junction with ONT 527 (Two Mile Creek Rd), 8 miles west of Paulding, MI. Access from the south on GOG 527 may be closed to all vehicles during spring break up period.
- Only one harvest unit is dry summer operable (excluding ROW timber), with winter and frozen ground limitations of operations on the remaining units due mostly to winter standard roads.
- Specified Road Reconstruction of 0.18 miles and new Construction of 0.69 miles are required, along with 2.16 miles of Pre-haul Maintenance of roads, as part of this contract. Available attachments (Technical Proposal and Reference forms) to the Bid Form are not required, but may facilitate submission of proposals.
- Required deposits of \$4,814.22 (\$1.14/CCF) for deferred maintenance of roads by the Forest Service will be paid by the Purchaser in addition to Current Contract Rates.
- Stewardship Projects are described on Page 2 of this Highlights Sheet
- **SAMPLE CONTRACT will be posted to the Ottawa National Forest internet website (address shown below)**

- **A Pre-Bid on-site SHOW-ME trip is scheduled on April 29<sup>th</sup>, 2014 @ 1100 (am) (CT) for the Twig Stewardship on at the intersection of FR 6930 and ONT 527. Stewardship Project specifications will be reviewed and copies of the specifications and SAMPLE CONTRACT will be available. Attendees may also ask questions about completing the BID PACKAGE (including Technical Proposals).**

**Timber Cutting Summary**

SPECIES & PRODUCTS		ADVERTISED RATES	
3 CCF	Mixed Conifer	Sawtimber	\$31.46
510 CCF	Mixed Hardwood	Sawtimber	\$70.53
295 CCF	Sugar Maple	Sawtimber	\$203.63
78 CCF	Aspen	Pulpwood	\$12.27
5 CCF	Mixed Conifer	Pulpwood	\$5.49
3,332 CCF	Mixed Hardwood	Pulpwood	\$13.17

**Total Advertised Value of Stumpage = \$141,002.48**

**Normal Operating Season: 12/15 – 3/15**

**Location: T46N-R40W, Sections 4, 5, 8 and 9; Ontonagon County, Michigan.**

**Termination Date: 10/31/2017**

**Required Bid Guarantee: \$0.00**

**Performance Bond: 10% of Bid Offer for Included Timber rounded up to next \$1,000.00**

**Downpayment: \$0.00**

**Pre-haul Maintenance: \$7,362.00 (appraisal allowance)**

**Specified Road Work: \$8,313.00**

**Temporary Developments: \$7,246.00 (appraisal allowance)**

**Road Maintenance Deposits: \$1.14/CCF**

**Bid Opening Date/Time: May 19, 2014, 1:00 p.m. (local time)**

**Place of Bid Opening – Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger District office facilities on U.S. Hwy 2, across from the Ottawa National Forest Visitor Center.**

*Successful Bidder will be announced following award of contract. Bid results for stewardship projects are not published.*

Prospective purchasers are cautioned that cutting or otherwise damaging any timber, tree, or other forest product except as authorized is prohibited (36CFR). This regulation applies to the cutting, chipping, or chopping of trees to determine tree suitability for specialty products within the proposed sale area.

**For more information, please contact the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger District for a prospectus: E23979 US 2 East, Watersmeet, MI 49969, (906) 358-4551 or TTY (906) 884-6577 or visit the Ottawa NF website @ [www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa](http://www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa).**

*See reverse side for summary of Stewardship Service Work Items & estimated quantities*

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**Twig Stewardship Projects**  
**Per AT.4.4 Stewardship Credits of Sample Contract**  
(Refer to Contract Area for location of Stewardship Projects)

## **Stewardship Projects**

<b>Brief Project Description of Projects</b>
<b>Wildlife Habitat Improvement – Tree Felling</b> of 218 trees over 107 acres (within Payment Units 9, 10 and 11), either concurrent or following harvest.
<b>Aspen Site Preparation</b> of 5 acres of a clearcut payment unit (Payment Unit 2) following harvest.
<b>Sediment Trap Excavation</b> of approximately 100 cubic yards of sediment trap spoils to be removed along a 150 foot stretch of Two Mile Creek and transported off-road approximately 1,000 feet to an existing disposal site.
<b>Note:</b> The Sediment Trap Excavation stewardship project is “optional”, meaning that prospective contractors need to submit a proposal and cost for performing this project, but the Forest Service’s acceptance is contingent upon the Forest Service’s procurement of the Michigan Department of Environmental Quality permits, and whether the proposal and costs are the best value to the government.

**Bidders MUST bid on ALL stewardship work or bid will be considered non-responsive (see the Bid Form for Mandatory and Optional Bid Items). There is no minimum bid for stewardship project work. Specific Bid Items are shown in the Prospectus, Bid Form, and in the Sample Contract. Optional items may be authorized at Contract award, or thereafter. Such authorization may be for a portion or all of the Optional items. Specifications for each stewardship item are included in the SAMPLE CONTRACT. Prospective bidders are encouraged to review these specifications prior to bidding.**

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