

LEGAL NOTICE  
**TWIG STEWARDSHIP PROJECT**

The Twig Stewardship Project is located in T46N-R40W, Sections 4, 5, 8 and 9 in Ontonagon County, Michigan. The Forest Service will receive bids at the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger Districts offices in Watersmeet, MI, at 1:00 PM local time (CT) on May 19, 2014, for a combination of timber and stewardship service work items associated with the stewardship project. **A Pre-Bid SHOW-ME trip is scheduled for April 29th, 2014 at 11:00 AM (CT) at the junction of FR 6930 and ONT 527.** Timber to be cut within the project area includes an estimated 3 CCF Mixed Conifer sawtimber, 510 CCF Mixed Hardwood sawtimber; 295 CCF Sugar Maple sawtimber; 78 CCF Aspen pulpwood; 5 CCF Mixed Conifer pulpwood; and 3,332 CCF Mixed Hardwood pulpwood; that is marked or otherwise designated for cutting. **Mandatory service work includes:** Tree Felling of 218 trees within 3 payment units, and Aspen Site Preparation of one payment unit totaling 5 acres. **Optional service work includes:** Sediment Trap Excavation and transport at one stream location. Bids will be evaluated on a Best Value Basis and bidders must submit a technical proposal describing how stewardship service work will be completed, as well as a per unit rate value bid for the timber and per unit rate for each stewardship service work item. Offers will not be publicly opened or disclosed. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A prospectus, bid form, blank technical proposal form, blank past performance form, SAMPLE CONTRACT, and complete information concerning the timber, the service work required in this contract, and the process to submit bids is available to the public from the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger Districts offices, E23979 US 2 East, at Watersmeet, MI 49969, (906) 358-4551, or at [www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa](http://www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa). The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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