

LEGAL NOTICE
LORAX STEWARDSHIP PROJECT

The Lorax Stewardship Project is located in T46N-R41W, Sections 25, 26, 34, 35 and 36 in Gogebic 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 July 24, 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 July 15th, 2014 at 09:00 AM (CT) at the junction of FR 5172 and GOG 206.** Timber to be cut within the project area includes an estimated 88 CCF Mixed Conifer sawtimber, 103 CCF Mixed Hardwood sawtimber; 230 CCF Sugar Maple sawtimber; 1,230 CCF Aspen pulpwood; 108 CCF Mixed Conifer pulpwood; and 3,189 CCF Mixed Hardwood pulpwood; that is marked or otherwise designated for cutting. **Mandatory service work includes:** Construction of 7 wildlife denning brushpiles within 2 payment units. **Optional service work includes:** Aspen Site Preparation of 2 payment units totaling 71 acres, and 13 acres of alder/aspen regeneration clearings. 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. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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