



File Code: 2450

Date: July 15, 2014

Route To:

Subject: AP Garland Fields Integrated Resource Timber Contract (IRTC)

To: Prospective Bidder

Dear Prospective Bidder:

By August 22, 2014 at 04:30 PM, sealed offers along with accompanying technical proposals will be accepted at the Forest Supervisor's Office, Attn: Victor Wyant, 112 Andrew Pickens Circle, Mountain Rest, SC 29664 for the Andrew Pickens Garland Fields Stewardship Contract. The FS-2400-13T contract will be used. The termination date for this contract is September 30, 2016. This contract is located in Oconee County of South Carolina, the southwestern area of the Andrew Pickens Ranger District, and within timber compartments 48 & 49. Access to the contract area is approximately 2 miles west off of US Highway 76 on Damascus Church Road.

A pre-bid visit accompanied by the Forest Service is scheduled for prospective bidders on Tuesday, July 29, 2014 at 10:00 am at the Long Creek Fire Station on US Highway 76 in Long Creek, SC. Contact Victor Wyant or Robert James, at 864-638-9568, or by email: vwyant@fs.fed.us or rtjames@fs.fed.us for more information.

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 5,907 CCF. The Forest Service encourages potential bidders to make their own inspection and estimate prior to bid submission. The Forest Service makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee of the accuracy of the following quantity estimates:

Estimated Timber Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure

Timber Bid Information:				Rates Per Unit of Measure
Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity	Minimum Acceptable Rate
So. Yellow Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	4,446	\$14.64
Harwood	Sawtimber	CCF	51	\$9.73
White Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	46	\$8.95
So. Yellow Pine	Pulpwood	CCF	777	\$2.39
Virginia Pine	Pulpwood	CCF	190	*\$2.39
Hardwood	Pulpwood	CCF	397	\$3.89



*All Virginia pine, regardless of size, was cruised as pulpwood and appraised at pulpwood rates.

In addition to the timber removal component of this contract, there are two mandatory and one optional stewardship project included in this contract. Your price proposal must include a bid price for all three work stewardship projects. The optional project item may be included into the contract at the discretion of the Contracting Officer after the contract is awarded. As this work is completed and accepted, stewardship credits will be applied to the timber sale account.

Stewardship Project Information

Project Number (a)	Project Description (b)	Unit of Measure (c)	Estimated Quantity (d)
<u>Mandatory Stewardship Projects</u>			
M1	Felling non-merchantable trees in harvest units	Acres	195
M2	Felling pine trees in brush fields	Acres	262
<u>Optional Stewardship Project</u>			
O1	Installation of road closure gates	Each	10

Bids will be evaluated on a best value basis and bidders must submit a technical proposal describing how stewardship projects will be completed. The technical proposal that is submitted will become a part of the contract when the contract is awarded. A unit rate bid for each timber product is required as well as the per unit rate for completing each stewardship project. Offers will not be publicly opened or disclosed. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all offers.

There is no required road maintenance for this contract. Access is via paved public county or state roads, and by temporary roads on National Forest. There are purchaser-performed maintenance and rehabilitation requirements for the temporary roads.

If you wish further information about this contract, such as Contract Area Maps, Prospectus, Bid Form, Past Performance Questionnaire, and Technical Proposal Form please visit our website: <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/sumtertimbersales> or call Victor Wyant at the Andrew Pickens District Ranger’s office in Mountain Rest, SC at (864) 638-4475.

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