

NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE
CHEQUAMEGON/NICOLET NATIONAL FOREST

The Long Haul PL Sale is located within T38N, R14E, Sections 26 and 28, T38N, R13E, Sections 14, 20, 24, 27 and 29, T38N, R12E, Sections 24, T37N, R15E, Sections 18, T37N, R12E, Sections 28, 32, 33 and 34.

The Forest Service will receive sealed bids in public at Laona District Office at 2:00 PM local time on 10/28/2014 for an estimated volume of 1225 CCF of Pine sawtimber, 5 CCF of Spruce (R, W, B) sawtimber, 64 CCF of Aspen pulpwood, 7 CCF of Hardwood - Other pulpwood, and 1433 CCF of Pine pulpwood marked or otherwise designated for cutting. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Interested parties may obtain a prospectus from the office listed below. A prospectus, bid form, and complete information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale, and submission of bids is available to the public from the Lakewood, Laona or Rhinelander FS Offices. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

Reply to: 2430
Date: 09/23/2014

Dear Prospective Bidder:

On 10/28/2014, at 02:00 PM, sealed bids will be opened in the Laona District Office for the Long Haul PL sale. This sale is located in T38N, R14E, Sections 26 and 28, T38N, R13E, Sections 14, 20, 24, 27 and 29, T38N, R12E, Sections 24, T37N, R15E, Sections 18, T37N, R12E, Sections 28, 32, 33 and 34. Timber sale Contract 2400-6T will be used. The termination date for this sale is 06/30/2018.

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 2,734 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 Quantities and Rates per Unit of Measure

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Average DBH	Advertised Rates	Base Rates	Required Deposits	
							Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	1,225.00	11.80	\$71.63	\$3.00	\$0.00	\$2.26
Spruce (R, W, B)	Sawtimber	CCF	5.00	11.50	\$59.71	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$2.26
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Hardwood - Other	Pulpwood	CCF	7.00	6.50	\$23.03	\$1.00	\$0.00	\$2.26
Pine	Pulpwood	CCF	1,433.00	7.20	\$65.63	\$2.96	\$0.00	\$2.26
	Total	CCF	2,734.00				\$0.00	\$6,178.84

There is a \$18,500.00 bid guarantee required on this sale.

If you wish further information on this sale, the prospectus and bid form, please write or call the Lakewood, Laona or Rhinelander FS Offices.

Sincerely,

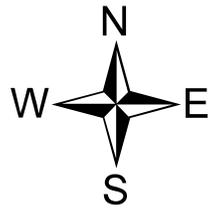


Jeff Seefeldt, District Ranger

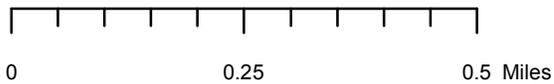
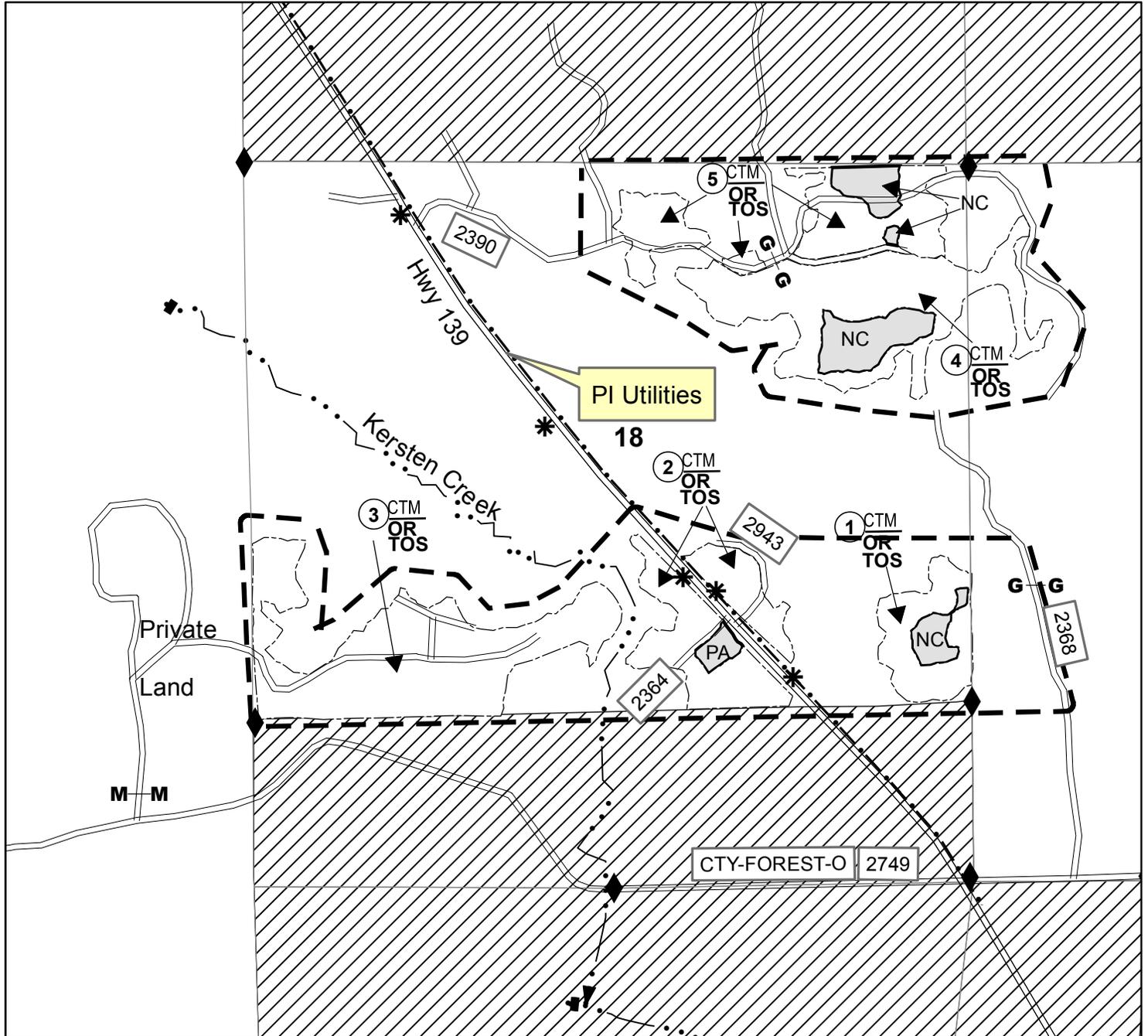
Enclosure

Sale Area Map

Sale Name: Long Haul Pine
National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5002 & 5003



T37N, R15E



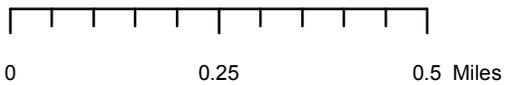
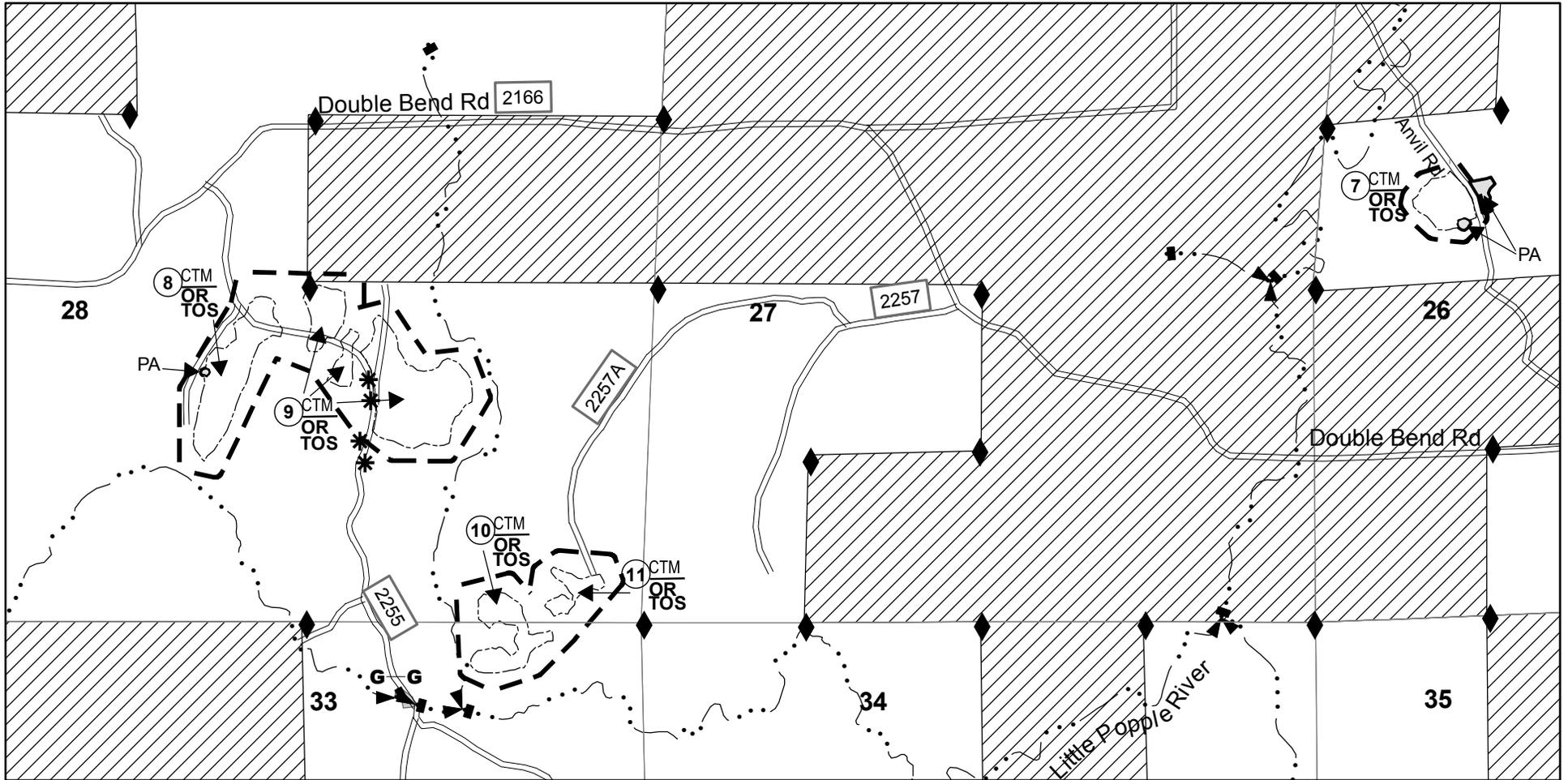
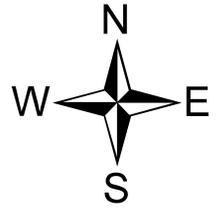
R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

NOTE: Landlines and payment unit boundaries are drawn to approximate scale.

Sale Area Map

Sale Name: Long Haul Pine
 National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
 Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
 Compartments: 5221 & 5223

T38N, R14E



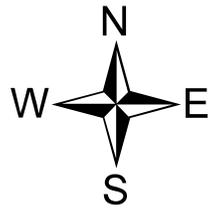
R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

SDZ along other ownership and Anvil Rd

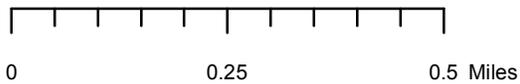
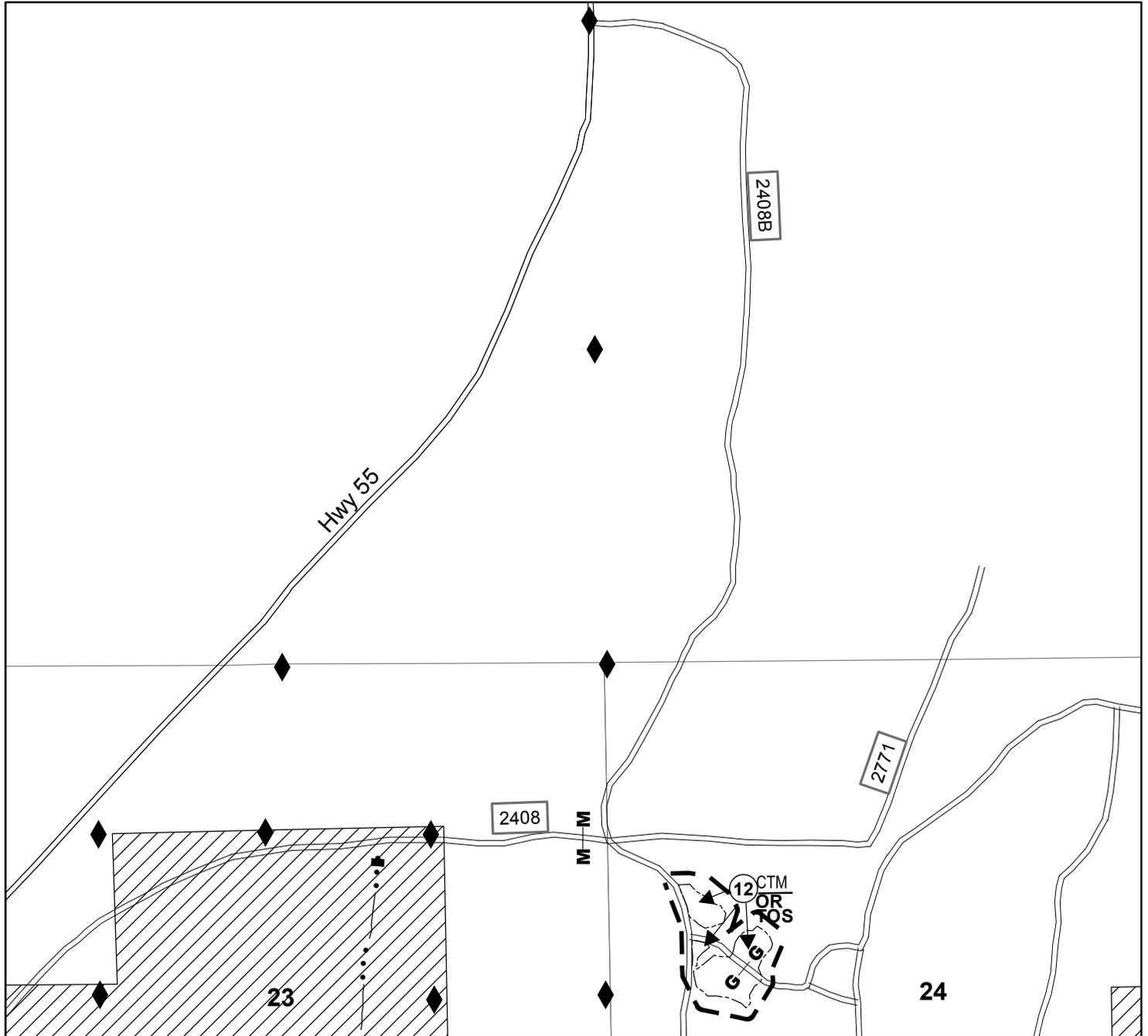
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Sale Area Map

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National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5223



T38N, R13E

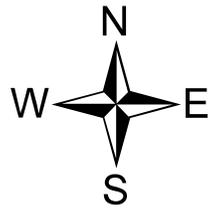


R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

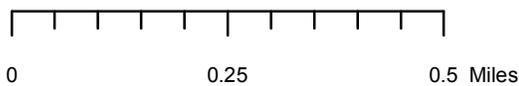
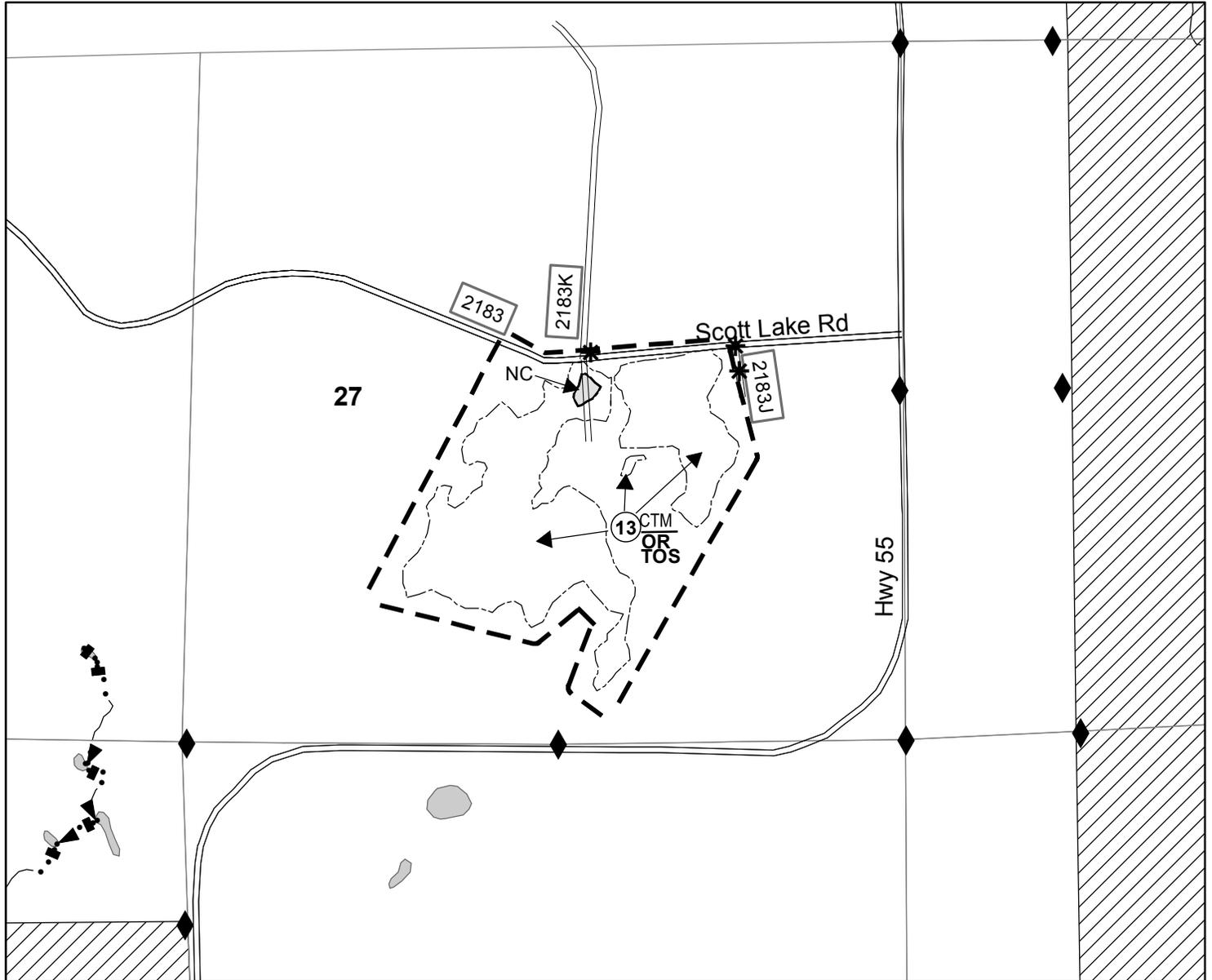
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Sale Area Map

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National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5238



T38N, R13E



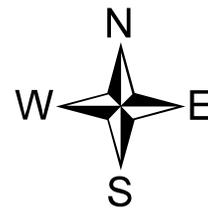
SDZ along Scott Lake Rd

R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

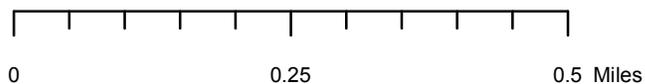
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Sale Area Map

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National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5239



T38N, R13E

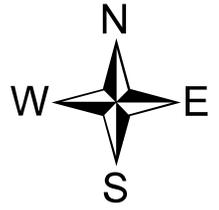


R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

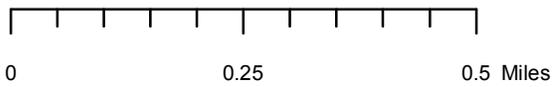
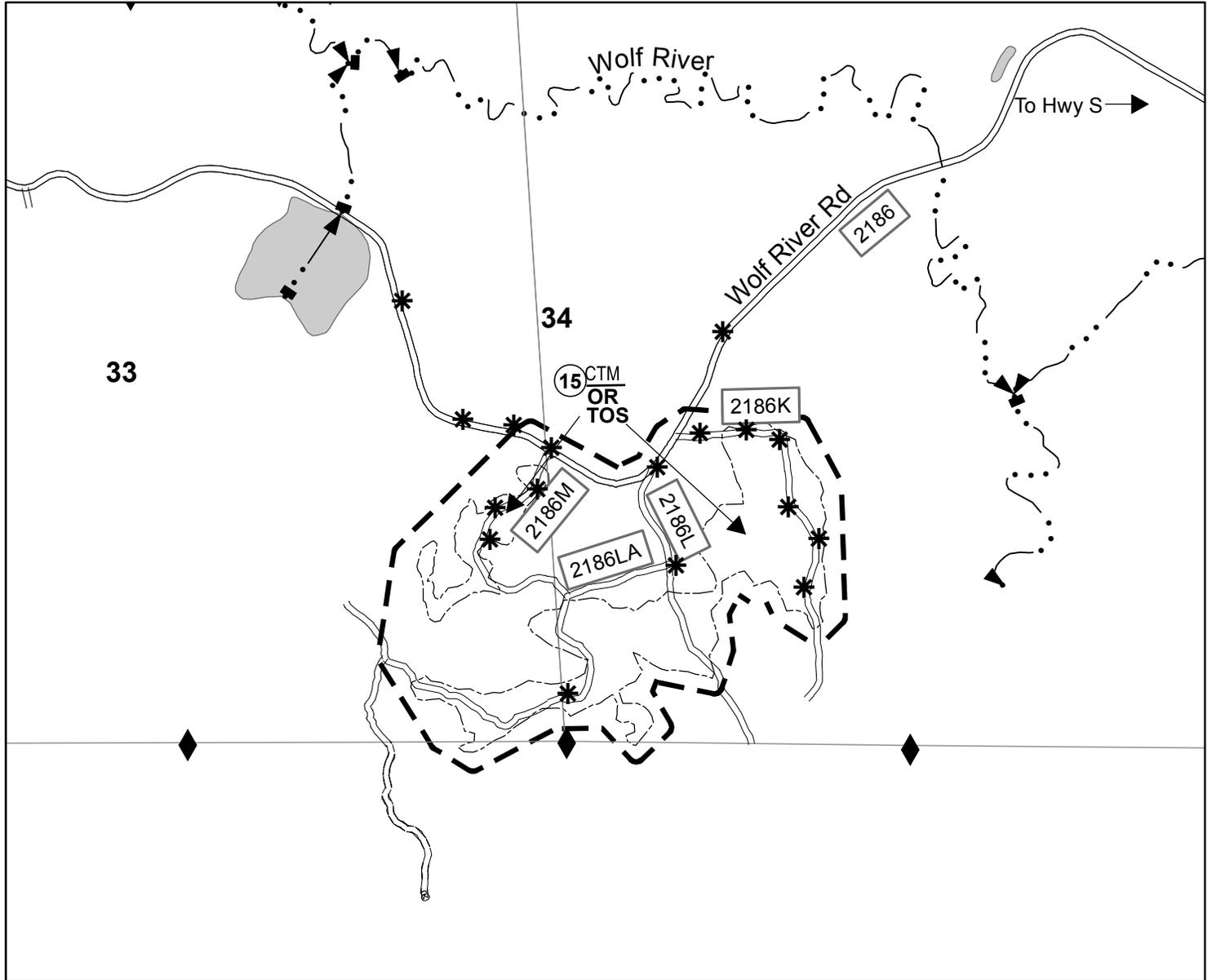
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Sale Area Map

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Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5256



T37N, R12E



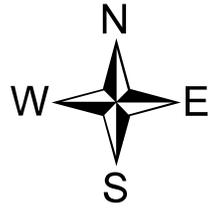
SDZ along Wolf River Rd

R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

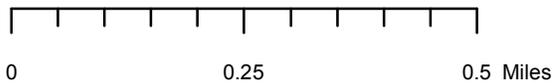
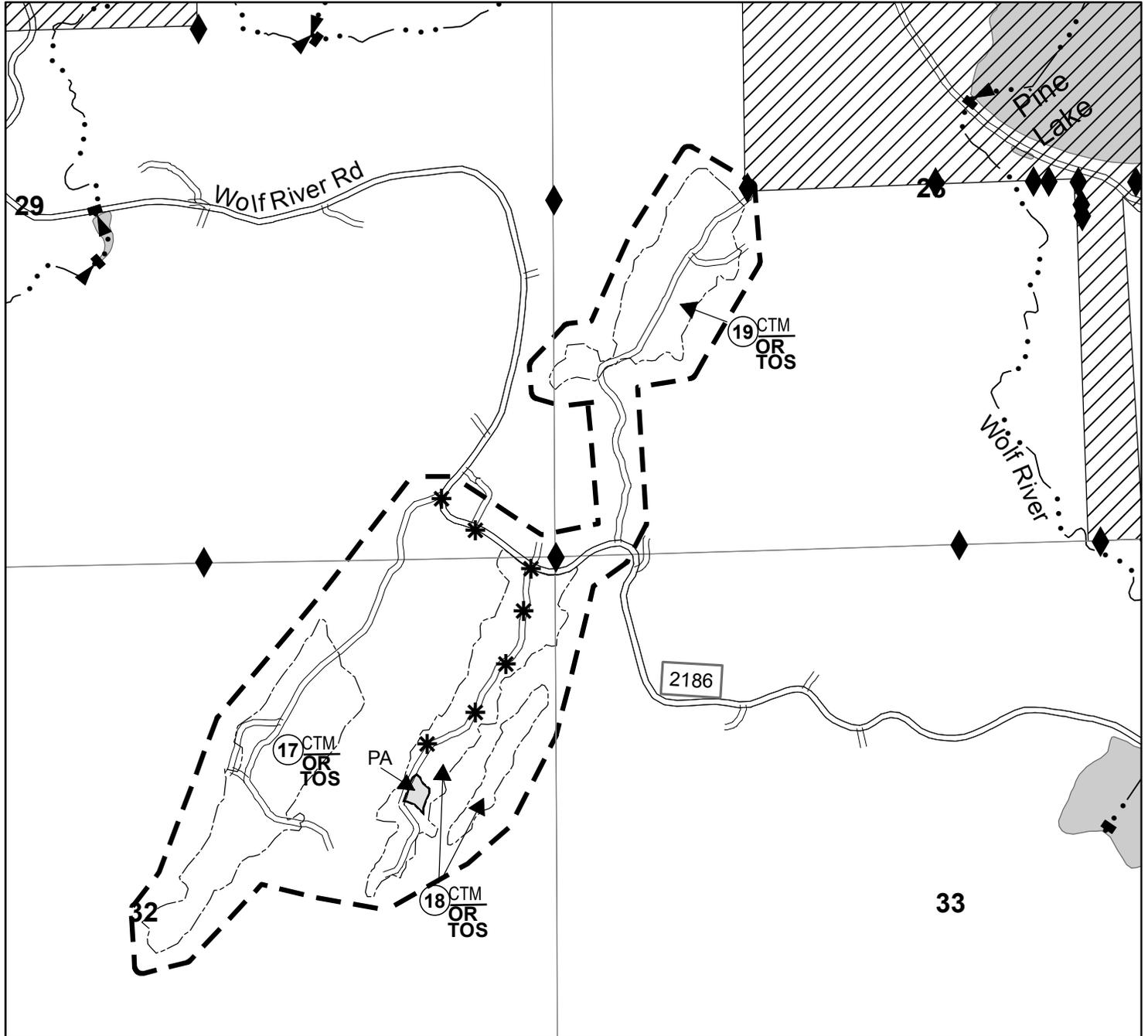
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Sale Area Map

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National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5257



T38N, R12E



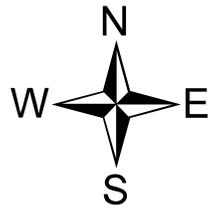
SDZ along FR2186 (Wolf River Rd)

R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

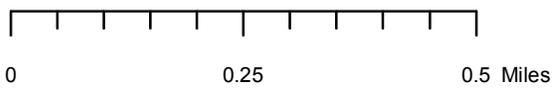
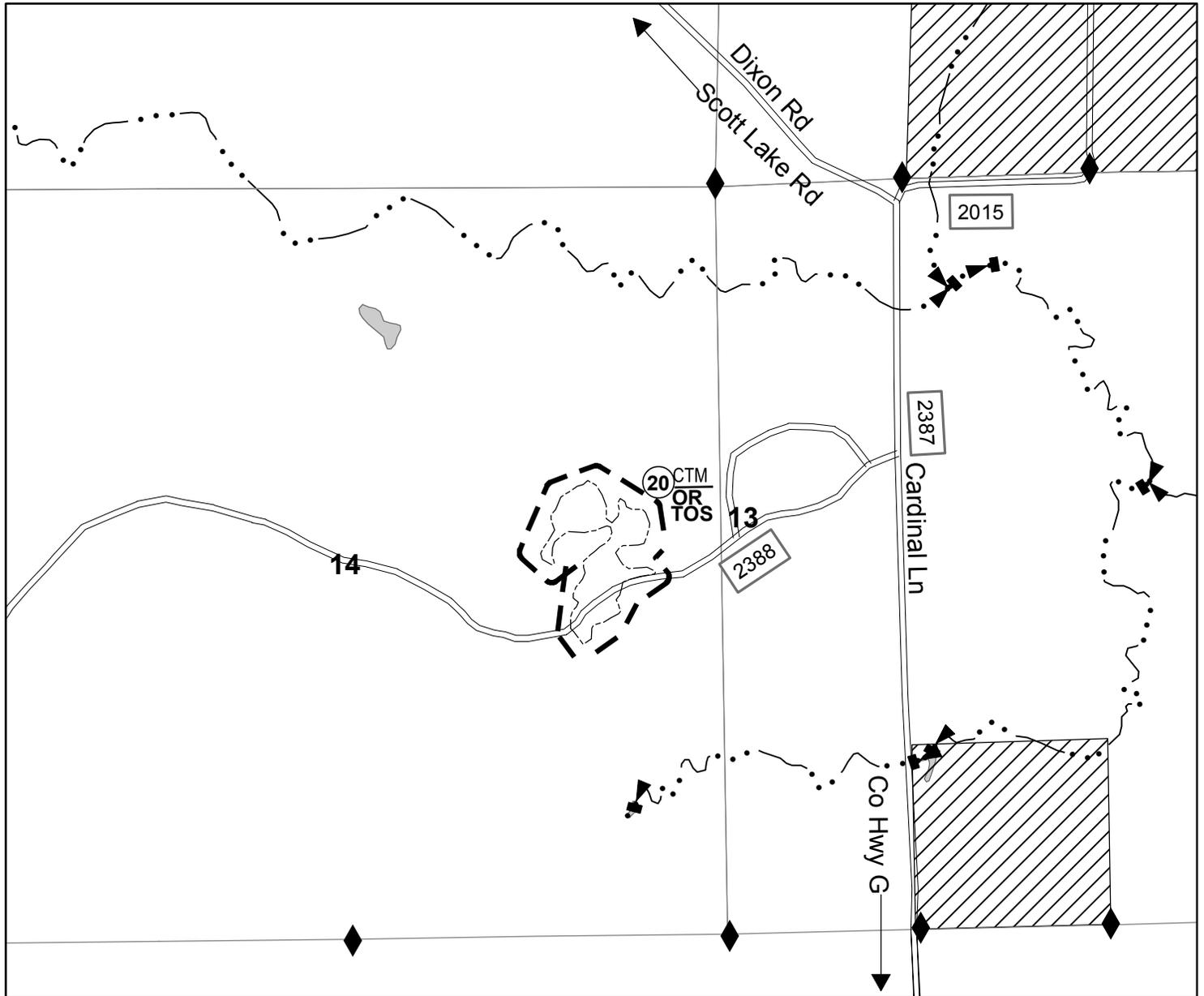
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Sale Area Map

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National Forest: Chequamegon - Nicolet
Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5233



T37N, R13E

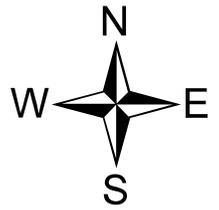


R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

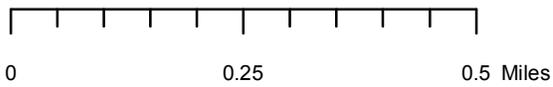
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Ranger District: Lakewood - Laona
Compartments: 5245



T38N, R12E

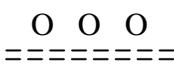


R-R-R along all Forest Service Routes

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Long Haul PL Sale
Compartments 5003, 5002, 5221, 5223,
5238, 5239, 5256, 5245, 5257 & 5233
Lakewood/Laona District

LEGEND

	Sale Area Boundary, BT1.1
	Payment Unit Boundary, BT1.1
NC	No Cutting
	Payment Unit Marked Prior to Advertisement, BT1.1
PA	Protected Area, CT2.301#
	Payment Unit Marked Prior to Advertisement, BT2.35
	Existing/Improved Transportation System Road, BT5.12
	Existing Road, All Use Restricted, CT5.12#
	Road to be Opened Prior to Use, BT5.1
PI	Protect Improvement, BT6.22
	Protect Known Survey Monument and Marked Boundary Lines, CT6.23
OR	Operating Restriction, CT6.314#
TOS	Treatment of Stumps, CT6.41#
	Protect Streamcourse, Block Marks Upper Limit, BT6.5
	Other Ownership
M — M	Closure Device is a Mound, CT6.63
G — G	Closure Device is a Gate
R — R	Closure Device are Rocks, CT6.63
	Buried Cable, BT6.22

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS

Sale Name :	Long Haul PL	Type of Sale :	Premeasured
National Forest :	Chequamegon/Nicolet	Ranger District :	Lakewood/Laona
Bidding Method :	Sealed Bid	Bid Guarantee :	\$18,500.00

Location of Bid Opening : Laona District Office

Date : 10/28/2014

Time : 02:00 PM

1. INTRODUCTION. This prospectus furnishes prospective bidders with information not contained in the published advertisement and is designed to enable bidders to decide whether or not to further investigate the sale. The prospectus is not a legally binding document, but is offered to provide general information about a sale. The contract does not include descriptions, estimates, and other data in this prospectus, unless otherwise stated. In the event that the prospectus contains an error or contradicts the sample contract, the contract governs. Bidders are urged to examine the timber sale and make their own estimates. Timber sale Contract 2400-6T will be used. Inspect the sale area and the sample contract before submitting a bid. Obtain the appraisal, other information on the timber, and conditions of sale and bidding at Forest Service offices listed above and in the named attached advertisement.

2. BIDDING. This is a Sealed Bid sale. Bidders must submit sealed bids on prepared forms they can obtain from Forest Service offices listed above and in the attached advertisement. The forms include instructions for bidding and submission of the required certifications. A bid guarantee must be included with the bid in the form of cash, a bid bond on form FS-6500-13 (4/82) or later, certification of annual bid bond allocation on form FS-6500-13a (4/82) or later, an irrevocable letter of credit, a certified check, bank draft, cashiers check, official bank check, or bank or postal money order payable to the Forest Service, USDA in the amount specified above and in the bid form. The bid guarantee shall be returned to each bidder whose bid is not accepted.

3. LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION OF TIMBER. Refer to the sample contract and sale area map attached to the sample contract for legal location of sale area, location of payment units, location of cutting units, the acreage of sale area, and the cutting unit acreage.

THE FOLLOWING GENERAL LOCATION, ROUTES OF ACCESS, ACREAGES, AND OTHER SPECIAL LOCATION DATA DO NOT SUPERSEDE THE SALE AREA MAP OR SAMPLE CONTRACT.

The Long Haul sale is located in central Forest County, in multiple areas between Newald, Hiles and Argonne. Locations include T37N, R12E, Sections 28, 33 and 34; T37N, R13E, Section 14; T37N, R15E, Section 18; T38N, R12E, Section 24; T38N, R13E, Section 24 and 26 and T38N, R14E, Sections 26 and 27. There are 368 total net acres, and approximately 835 total gross acres for this sale. Payment Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20 are marked with blue paint and labeled CTM on the sale map. There is no payment unit 6. Boundary trees are marked with orange paint and are not to be cut.

4. TIMBER QUANTITIES AND RATES. The quality, size, cut per acre, and product suitability of the timber are estimates based on detailed cruise information on file and available for inspection at the Forest Service offices listed above and in the advertisement. VOLUME QUANTITIES LISTED HEREIN ARE MADE AVAILABLE WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT VALUES SHOWN ARE FOREST SERVICE ESTIMATES AND ARE NOT GUARANTEED. For these reasons, bidders are urged to examine the timber sale area and make their own estimates.

THE MINIMUM ACCEPTABLE BID RATE IS STATED IN THE ATTACHED BID FORM. THESE RATES ARE EFFECTIVE AT THE TIME OF ADVERTISEMENT.

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5. PERIOD OF CONTRACT. The normal operating season covers the period between 05/01 and 09/30 and between 12/01 and 03/15. Contract termination date is 06/30/2018. Extensions of this contract may be granted only when the purchaser has met specified conditions.

If an appeal or lawsuit is filed challenging the decision to award this contract or upon determination by the Regional Forester that conditions existing on this timber sale are the same as, or nearly the same as, conditions existing on other timber sale(s) in appeal or litigation, Contracting Officer may delay award or reject all bids. If delay in award is for 30 days or more during Normal Operating Season after bid opening, Contracting Officer shall, upon award, adjust the contract term to include additional calendar days in one or more Normal Operating Seasons equal to the time award is delayed during Normal Operating Season.

The purchaser must submit a Plan of Operations to the Contracting Officer for approval before operations begin or within 60 days of sale award, whichever is earlier. The plan must show how the purchaser plans to complete the contract by the termination date. In addition to the Plan of Operations, the purchaser must submit an annual Operating Schedule before commencing operations. This schedule will include the anticipated major activities and needs for harvest. This annual Operating Schedule does not require concurrence of the Forest Service.

6. PAYMENT. Payment for timber and any required deposits for slash disposal or road maintenance are required in advance of cutting. The Purchaser may transfer purchaser credit into the contract, or provide an acceptable payment guarantee prior to cutting. Payment for required deposits must be a cash payment. The purchaser shall make advance deposits in accordance with provision B(T)4.212 - Advance Deposits.

The high bidder whose bid is accepted shall, at the time the contract is signed and returned by the bidder, make a downpayment pursuant to Title 36, Section 223.49, of the Code of Federal Regulations. The Contracting Officer will notify the high bidder of the amount necessary to make this payment. In no case shall the downpayment be less than 10 percent of the total advertised value plus 20 percent of the bid premium. After receipt of the downpayment and a satisfactory performance bond and upon execution of the timber sale contract, the Forest Service will return the bid guarantee. A cash bid guarantee may be applied to the downpayment at the request of the purchaser. The purchaser cannot apply the amount deposited as a downpayment to cover other obligations due on the sale until conditions stated in the contract for release of downpayment have been met. Refer to the sample contract for the specific conditions.

By the midpoint between award date and the termination date, the purchaser shall have paid for, or in lieu thereof, deposited cash in the greater amount of: (1) 50 percent of the total estimated bid premium, or (2) 35 percent of the total estimated sale value at bid date, exclusive of required deposits, rounded up to the next \$100.

By the midpoint of the last normal operating season, or 12 months from the initial periodic payment, whichever date is first, the purchaser shall have paid for, or in lieu thereof, deposited cash in the amount of 75 percent of the total estimated sale value at bid date, exclusive of required deposits, rounded up to the next \$100.

7. PERFORMANCE BOND. A performance bond is required. The penal sum of the bond will be 10 percent of the total bid value of the sale, rounded up to the nearest \$100 when the total bid value is \$10,000 or less; and rounded up to the nearest \$1,000 when the total bid value exceeds \$10,000 or \$19,000.00 whichever is greater. If an irrevocable letter of credit is used to secure the

performance bond, the termination of the letter of credit must be at least 6 months past the contract termination date.

8. SPECIFIED ROADS. Not Applicable.

9. ROAD MAINTENANCE. Purchaser shall perform or pay for road maintenance work, commensurate with purchaser's use, on roads controlled by Forest Service, and used by purchaser in connection with this sale. Road maintenance requirements are based on the predicted haul route. Any change in the purchaser's actual haul route may necessitate a change in the roads to be maintained and/or in the amount of required deposit for road maintenance. Required deposits for road maintenance are listed in Section 4 and in the sample contract. Maintenance specifications are in the sample contract.

10. INAPPLICABLE STANDARD PROVISIONS. See sample contract.

11. SPECIAL PROVISIONS. See sample contract.

12. SET-ASIDE SALES. Not Applicable.

13. LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS. Not Applicable.

14. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY COMPLIANCE REVIEW. If the total bid value plus required deposits for this contract exceeds \$10 million, before award, the Forest Service shall request an equal employment opportunity compliance review of the high bidder to determine compliance with the provisions of Executive Order 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended by Executive Order 11375 of October 13, 1967 and Executive Order No. 12086 of October 5, 1978.

15. AWARD. The Contracting Officer is required to make a determination of bidder responsibility as stated in Title 36, Section 223.101, of the Code of Federal Regulations.

To determine a purchaser to be responsible, a Contracting Officer must find that:

- a. The purchaser has adequate financial resources to perform the contract or the ability to obtain them;
- b. The purchaser is able to perform the contract within the contract term taking into consideration all existing contracts and Governmental business commitments;
- c. The purchaser has a satisfactory performance record on timber sale contracts. A prospective purchaser that is or recently has been seriously deficient in contract performance shall be presumed not to be responsible, unless the Contracting Officer determines that the circumstances were beyond the purchaser's control and were not created through improper actions by the purchaser or affiliate, or that the purchaser has taken appropriate corrective action. Past failure to apply sufficient tenacity and perseverance to perform acceptably under a contract is strong evidence that a purchaser is not a responsible contractor. The Contracting Officer shall consider the number of contracts involved and extent of deficiency of each in making this evaluation;
- d. The purchaser has a satisfactory record of integrity and business ethics;
- e. The purchaser has or is able to obtain equipment and supplies suitable for logging the timber and for meeting the resource protection provisions of the contract;
- f. The purchaser is otherwise qualified and eligible to receive an award under applicable laws and regulations.

Bidders, by signing the bid form, certify that, to the best of bidder's knowledge the bidder will meet the requirements in 36 CFR 223.101, determination of purchaser responsibility, and, if awarded this contract, that bidder will complete the timber sale contract and any modifications thereof in accordance with its terms including requirements to purchase, cut, and remove included timber.

16. FALSE STATEMENTS ACT. Bidders, by signing the bid form, certify that they are aware that bidder is subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 U.S.C. 1001, Chapter 47, Fraud and False Statements (P.L. 104-45). The Act states "whoever, in any matter within the jurisdiction of any department or agency of the United States knowingly and willfully falsifies, conceals or covers up by any

trick, scheme, or device a material fact, or makes any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations, or makes or uses any false writing or document knowing the same to contain any false, fictitious or fraudulent statement or entry, shall be fined under this title or imprisoned not more than 5 years, or both."

17. DAMAGES. This contract shall be terminated for breach pursuant to paragraph 16, 19, and/or 21 of the bid form and the terms of the sample contract if: 1) bidder fails to execute a timber sale contract, furnish a downpayment, or furnish a satisfactory performance bond within 30 days of the award letter's date; or 2) bidder is found to have violated the False Statements Act in making any statement or certification on the bid form including not meeting purchaser responsibility requirements, and bidder has made a false statement. The bid guarantee shall be retained, in whole or in part, by the Forest Service to satisfy any damages that may be assessed.

18. SUSPENSION AND DEBARMENT CERTIFICATION. Non-procurement debarments and suspensions are governed by the Government-wide common rules (7 CFR 3017).

These rules require each timber sale purchaser, to submit a certification for itself, its principals, and its affiliates when bidding on sales. The bidder must designate its status regarding debarment, suspension, and other matters as specified on the bid form. The bidder, by signing the bid form, certifies this status. An explanation for not submitting a certification may be submitted. The Contracting Officer will determine whether the explanation provides sufficient reason for permitting participation in the bidding. Also, as a timber sale purchaser enters into transactions with subcontractors, these subcontractors must certify their eligibility. The certification titled "Subcontractor Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion" must be provided to subcontractors, but completed certifications are not required to be submitted with bid forms. Purchaser must keep these subcontractor certification forms on file for review by the Forest Service, if requested.

The certification forms and instructions for subcontractor transactions are provided as an addendum to the bid form.

19. OCCUPATIONAL SAFETY AND HEALTH ADMINISTRATION (OSHA) LOGGING REGULATIONS. Conduct of operations on this timber sale is subject to inspection for compliance with the logging operations regulations at 29 CFR 1910.266 by OSHA. This standard is applicable to the entire logging industry wherever logging operations occur. Information is available to assist purchasers to ensure compliance with the logging operations regulations during conduct of this timber sale from the U.S. Department of Labor, Occupational Safety and Health Administration, OSHA, 1648 Tri Park Way Appleton, WI 54914, 920-734-4521.

20. GENERAL. Corporations submitting an offer under this solicitation must include form AD-3030-FS, Representations Regarding Felony Conviction and Tax Delinquent Status For Corporate Applicants. Copies of this form may be obtained from the Forest Service office shown on page 1 of this prospectus or electronically at: <http://www.ocio.usda.gov/policy-directives-records-forms/forms-management/approved-computer-generated-forms>.

The Forest Contracting Officer has determined that BT6.81 - Product Identification, is not applicable to this contract. This provision will be waived in writing as the time of the contract award.

Annosum disease is confirmed in Forest County. Treatment of Stumps (TOS) on the Sale Area Map will be required in ALL payment units. An appraisal allowance of \$27.50 per acres has been made for this work. Waiver for this work will be based on scientific evidence in regards to annosum at the time of the request. There is no guarantee that such a waiver will be granted.

The Producer Price Indices (PPI) currently available to be used for National Forest timber sales are the Wood Chips Index, the Softwood Lumber Index and the Hardwood Lumber Index. The PPI shown in Provision AT17 - Market Related Contract Term Addition Producer Price Index for this sale is the wood chips index. This PPI was established to reflect expected marketing of 50% or more of the species/products on this sale. You may request a different PPI. We must receive a written request justifying why the change is warranted. The change request will be considered and forwarded to the Forest Supervisor for approval. If agreed upon, it will become a part of the executed contract. The PPI cannot be changed once the contract has been executed.

Purchaser's off road equipment (processors skidders, dozers) must be cleaned by the Purchaser and inspected for invasive weeds by the Forest Service prior to operations in the Sale Area. At this time, invasive weeds are present in the cleared corridor of many of the roads to be used during this sale. Equipment cleaning will be required upon initial entry and subsequent re-entries.

Temporary Road Closure: In order to close temporary roads as required, Purchaser shall, at locations designated by the Sale Administrator, construct two mounds at 75 foot intervals. Mounds shall be at least four feet in height and shall be made with dirt mixed

with rocks, stumps, logs, root-wads, or slash and shall be constructed without creating a defined trench.

Approaches to Surfaced Roads: Purchaser shall apply and maintain 6 inches of Pit Run Gravel on all Temporary Road approaches to surfaced roads for a distance of 100 feet back from the surfaced road.

Unless otherwise agreed, use of Forest Service roads shall be only during surface firm or frozen conditions and no hauling shall be allowed between March 15 and April 30.

Within a strip 10 feet in width, measured from the boundary line along other ownership, all slash resulting from Purchaser's operations shall be removed.

Within a strip 10 feet wide, measured from the edge of the opening along FR2183 (Scott Lake Rd), Anvil Rd, Hwy 139, & FR2186 (Wolf River Rd) as shown on the sale map, all slash resulting from purchaser's operations shall be removed. Within an additional 90 feet, out to 100 feet, all slash resulting from purchaser's operations shall be lopped and scattered so as to lie within 2 feet of the ground.

Unless changed by written agreement, no operations shall be permitted within Payment Units 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 12 & 15 during the time period from 3/16 to 4/30 and 10/1 to 11/30. This is a Spring Break-up and a Frozen Ground/Dry Summer restriction. No operations shall be permitted in Payment Units 10 & 11 from 3/16 to 11/30. This is a winter only soils restriction. No operations shall be permitted in Payment Units 13, 14, 16, 17, 18, 19 & 20 during the time period from 3/16 to 4/30. This is a Spring Break-up restriction.

Payment unit boundaries are either marked with orange paint at DBH and below stump height or follow roads.

Protected Areas are shown on the sale map as PA and shall be left uncut. These areas are identified on the ground by perimeter trees marked with a two or three dot orange paint mark above stump height and one mark below stump height. Unless agreed otherwise, no trees may be felled into such areas and wheeled or tracked equipment shall not be operated in such areas.

Some units have hilly terrain that may require cable skidding.

Purchaser is responsible for opening one road within Payment Unit 14 as shown on the Sale Area Map.

UCS: VOLUME BY SPECIES WITHIN CUTTING UNIT ACROSS ALL STRATA *
 FOR CUT TREES ONLY
 CRUISE#: 42307 SALE#: 42307
 SALENAME: Long Haul
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UNIT	S P E C I E S	***** SAWTIMBER ***** (PROD = 01 UM = 01, 03)						***** NON-SAWTIMBER ***** (PROD NOT = 01 UM = 01, 02, 03) (AND ALL SECONDARY & RECOVERED PRODUCT VOLUMES)					
		TOTAL	EST.	** GROSS VOLUME **		** NET VOLUME **		*** GROSS ***		*** NET ***		CORDS	
		# OF TREES	# OF TREES	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT		
		EST.	EST.	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT		
UNIT 20	TOTAL	902	81	6992	1549	6946	1539	0	5413	0	5398	72.26	
3 012		13	0	0	0	0	0	0	53	0	53	0.59	
3 094		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
3 125		1121	1059	108995	23134	107963	22924	0	4137	0	4143	R 37.21	
3 316		6	0	0	0	0	0	0	16	0	16	0.16	
3 375		3	0	0	0	0	0	0	21	0	21	0.32	
3 746		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
3 762		5	0	0	0	0	0	0	19	0	19	0.32	
3 951		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	3	0.00	
UNIT 3	TOTAL	1150	1059	108995	23134	107963	22924	0	4249	0	4256	R 38.60	
4 012		164	0	0	0	0	0	0	671	0	671	7.45	
4 094		56	15	780	182	761	176	0	259	0	259	2.53	
4 125		965	828	75456	16489	74887	16368	0	3769	0	3773	R 36.09	
4 316		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0.06	
4 375		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	8	0	8	0.12	
4 746		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
4 762		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0.12	
4 951		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.00	
UNIT 4	TOTAL	1191	843	76236	16671	75649	16544	0	4721	0	4725	R 46.37	
5 012		28	0	0	0	0	0	0	115	0	115	1.27	
5 094		24	5	260	61	254	59	0	108	0	108	0.98	
5 125		602	487	44361	9695	44027	9624	0	2432	0	2433	R 24.16	
5 316		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0	5	0.05	
5 375		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	7	0.10	
5 746		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
5 762		2	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	6	0.10	
5 951		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0.00	
UNIT 5	TOTAL	659	492	44621	9756	44281	9683	0	2672	0	2674	R 26.65	

UCS: VOLUME BY SPECIES WITHIN CUTTING UNIT ACROSS ALL STRATA *
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UNIT	S P E C I E S	***** SAWTIMBER ***** (PROD = 01 UM = 01, 03)						***** NON-SAWTIMBER ***** (PROD NOT = 01 UM = 01, 02, 03) (AND ALL SECONDARY & RECOVERED PRODUCT VOLUMES)					
		TOTAL	EST.	** GROSS VOLUME **		** NET VOLUME **		*** GROSS ***		*** NET ***		CORDS	
		# OF TREES	# OF TREES	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT		
		EST.	EST.	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT	BDFT	CUFT		
7 012		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
7 094		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
7 125		216	151	13035	2888	12949	2869	0	936	0	936	9.95	
7 316		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
7 375		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
7 746		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
7 762		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
7 951		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
UNIT 7	TOTAL	216	151	13035	2888	12949	2869	0	936	0	936	9.95	
8 012		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
8 094		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
8 125		239	177	19591	4092	19385	4050	0	1017	0	1017	10.69	
8 316		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
8 375		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
8 746		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
8 762		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
8 951		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
UNIT 8	TOTAL	239	177	19591	4092	19385	4050	0	1017	0	1017	10.69	
9 012		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
9 094		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
9 125		388	327	50118	9839	49398	9702	0	1570	0	1570	15.97	
9 316		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
9 375		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
9 746		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
9 762		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
9 951		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.00	
UNIT 9	TOTAL	388	327	50118	9839	49398	9702	0	1570	0	1570	15.97	

S U B T O T A L S											
*****SAWTIMBER*****						*****NON-SAWTIMBER*****					
SPECIES	TOT EST # OF TREES	EST # OF TREES	** GROSS VOLUME ** BDFT	** GROSS VOLUME ** CUFT	** NET VOLUME ** BDFT	** NET VOLUME ** CUFT	GROSS BDFT	GROSS CUFT	NET BDFT	NET CUFT	CORDS
012	614	0	0	0	0	0	0	2512	0	2512	27.91
094	142	39	2028	472	1979	458	0	659	0	659	6.48
125	24870	5837	576007	123459	570925	122409	0	140407	0	140036	1806.50
316	67	0	0	0	0	0	0	171	0	171	1.68
375	34	0	0	0	0	0	0	225	0	225	3.36
746	825	0	0	0	0	0	0	6247	0	6247	82.90
762	50	0	0	0	0	0	0	200	0	200	3.36
951	17	0	0	0	0	0	0	27	0	27	0.00
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OVERALL TOTALS--	26619	5876	578035	123931	572904	122868	0	150449	0	150077	1932.18

BID FOR ADVERTISED TIMBER (Reference FSM 2430, FSH 2409.18, Section 57.2)								
1. Sale Number: 42307			2. Date and Time of Bid Opening: 10/28/2014 02:00 PM		3. Opened By:		4. In the Presence of:	
5. Sale Name: Long Haul PL						8. Type of Bid:		
6. National Forest: Chequamegon/Nicolet				7. Ranger District: Lakewood/Laona		a. <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sealed Bid b. <input type="checkbox"/> Confirmation of Oral Bid		
9. To: (Title and address of Sale Officer receiving bids)				10. Name of Newspaper:		11. Date Published:		
District Ranger's Office Sale Officer 4978 Hwy 8 West Laona, WI 54541				The Northwoods River News		09/23/2014		
				12. City: Rhinelander WI 54501		13. State: Wisconsin		
INSTRUCTIONS TO SALE OFFICER: Verify that TIM has completed applicable blanks before sending to prospective Bidders. Attach copy of sale advertisement. Entries are required in blocks 1, 2, 5, 6, 7, 8a or b, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14a, b, c, d, e, f, h, & i, 15a, 19, and 20 and instruction 13 in all sales. Strike out spaces for entries in one or more columns e, h, or i, if not applicable to the sale.								
*****In Response to the Notice of Sale published in the newspaper specified above, and subject to the conditions attached hereto, the following bid is submitted and shall constitute a Firm Offer.*****								
14. Bid Information:				Rates Per Unit of Measure				
Species (a)	Product (b)	Unit of Measure (c)	Estimated Quantity (d)	Base Rate (e)	Advertised Rate (f)	Bid Rate (g)	Additional Deposits for Slash Disposal (h)	Base Indices (i)
Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	1,225.00	\$3.00	\$71.63		\$0.00	N/A
Spruce (R, W, B)	Sawtimber	CCF	5.00	\$1.00	\$59.71		\$0.00	N/A
Aspen	Pulpwood	CCF	64.00	\$1.00	\$28.53		\$0.00	N/A
Hardwood - Other	Pulpwood	CCF	7.00	\$1.00	\$23.03		\$0.00	N/A
Pine	Pulpwood	CCF	1,433.00	\$2.96	\$65.63		\$0.00	N/A
15. BID GUARANTEE:								
a. The minimum guarantee which must accompany this bid is \$18,500.00.								
b. The form of guarantee accompanying this bid is a(n) _____ in the amount of \$ _____ (See Instruction 6 for acceptable forms of payment.)								

16. BIDDER RESPONSIBILITY CERTIFICATION: Subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 USC 1001, Bidder certifies, by signing this bid form, that to the best of Bidder's knowledge that the following representations are accurate and complete:

- a. That the Bidder has not employed or retained any company or person (other than a full-time bona fide employee working solely for the Bidder) to solicit or secure a contract for this timber or forest product.
- b. That the Bidder has not paid or agreed to pay any company or person (other than a full-time bona fide employee working solely for the Bidder) any fee, commission, percentage or brokerage fee, contingent upon or resulting from the award of contract for this timber or forest product, and agrees to furnish information relating thereto as requested by the Contracting Officer.
- c. That the Bidder meets the requirements in 36 CFR 223.101 regarding determination of purchaser responsibility.
- d. That if awarded this contract that Bidder will complete the timber sale contract to its terms and any modifications thereof including requirements to purchase, cut, and remove the included timber or forest product by the termination date.

16a. BIDDER CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, AND OTHER

RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS: Subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 USC 1001, Bidder certifies, by signing this bid form, that to the best of Bidder's knowledge that the following representations are accurate and complete.

- a. That the Bidder and its principals are not presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from timber sales (covered transactions) by any Federal department or agency.
- b. That the Bidder and its principals have not within a 3-year period preceding this bid been convicted of or had a civil judgment rendered against them for commission of fraud or a criminal offense in connection with obtaining, attempting to obtain, or performing a public (Federal, State, or local) transaction or contract under a public transaction; violation of Federal or State antitrust statutes or commission of embezzlement, theft, forgery, bribery, falsification or destruction of records, making false statements, or receiving stolen property.
- c. That the Bidder and its principals are not presently indicted for or otherwise criminally or civilly charged by a governmental entity (Federal, State, or local) with commission of any of the offenses enumerated in paragraph b of this certification.
- d. That the Bidder and its principals have not within a 3-year period preceding this bid had one or more public transactions (Federal, State, or local) terminated for breach or default of a timber or forest product contract.

Bidders that cannot certify this block, in whole or in part, shall submit an explanation with their bid (See Instruction 16.).

16b. BIDDER INFORMATION REQUIREMENTS: Subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 USC 1001, Bidder certifies, by signing this bid form, that to the best of Bidder's knowledge that the following information is accurate.

- a. That the Bidder has, has not participated in a previous contract subject to the provision of section 202 of Executive Order 11246 (Non-discrimination in Employment) of 9/24/65, as amended; and that the Bidder has, has not submitted required compliance reports under such previous contracts.
- b. That the Bidder together with its affiliates employs the following number of persons and is classified as:
 1-25 26-500 Over 500 **and** a: Manufacturer Nonmanufacturer of sawtimber

17. CERTIFICATE OF INDEPENDENT PRICE DETERMINATION: Subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 USC 1001, Bidder certifies and represents, by signing this bid form, that the following representations are accurate and complete:

- a. By submission of this bid each Bidder also certifies, and in the case of a joint bid each party thereto certifies as to its own organization, that in connection with this sale:
- (1) The prices in this bid have been arrived at independently, without consultation, communication, or agreement, as to any matter relating to such prices with any other Bidder or with any potential competitor;
 - (2) The prices which have been quoted in this bid have not been knowingly disclosed by the Bidder and will not knowingly be disclosed by the Bidder prior to opening of bid, directly or indirectly to any other Bidder or to any potential competitor; and
 - (3) No attempt has been made or will be made by the Bidder to induce any other person or firm to submit or not to submit a bid.
- b. Each person signing this bid or proposal certifies that:
- (1) The Signer is the person in the Bidder's organization responsible within that organization for the decision as to the prices bid herein and that the Signer has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to a(1) through a(3) above; or
 - (2) The Signer is not the person in the Bidder's organization responsible within that organization for the decision as to prices bid herein but that the Signer has been authorized in writing to act as agent for the persons responsible for such decision in certifying that such persons have not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to a(1) through a(3) above, and as their agent does hereby so certify; and that the Signer has not participated, and will not participate, in any action contrary to a(1) through a(3) above.
- c. A bid will not be considered for award where any portion of a or b above has been deleted or modified. Where these provisions have been deleted or modified, the bid will not be considered for award unless Bidder furnishes with the bid a sworn statement which sets forth in detail the circumstances of the disclosure and the Chief, Forest Service, or the Chief's designee, determines that such disclosure was not made for the purpose of restricting competition.

18. ROAD CONSTRUCTION OPTION:

Not applicable.

19. CONTRACT, DOWNPAYMENT, AND BOND: The Bidder whose bid is accepted will, within 30 days of the award letter's date, or any written extension thereof by the Forest Service, execute a timber sale contract which shall be provided by the Forest Service and be based on the sample contract referenced in the prospectus. Simultaneously, Bidder shall submit a downpayment and furnish a satisfactory performance bond, in accordance with the provisions of such timber sale contract, in the penal sum as prescribed in the prospectus for this sale, and otherwise complete the process described on this form and pages attached hereto. The rate of interest for a late downpayment is 1 percent. Bidder agrees that its failure to comply with this paragraph shall result in a termination of this contract for breach under provisions of instruction 9 of the Instructions to Bidders portion of this form.

20. DOWNPAYMENT: Pursuant to 36 CFR 223.49, the Bidder to whom award is made must make a downpayment at the time the contract is signed by the Bidder and returned to the Forest Service in the amount of:

Ten percent of the advertised value, plus 20 percent of the total bid premium.

___ percent of the advertised value, plus ___ percent of the total bid premium, based on the Chief's determination that this amount is necessary to deter speculation.

NOTICE: The indicated downpayment amount shall be increased to 20 percent of the total advertised value and 40 percent of the total bid premium if the Contracting Officer determines that the Bidder meets the criteria for additional downpayment established by 36 CFR 223.49.

21. FIRM OFFER: Subject to the penalties prescribed in 18 USC 1001, the Bidder hereby agrees not to withdraw this bid after the bid opening. Signing this bid form binds the Bidder to accept award under the terms of the sample contract and this bid form if its bid is accepted within 90 days after bid opening. The period for acceptance may be extended by written notice from Bidder. If Bidder qualifies as a small business and elects road construction by the Forest Service, then the Bidder agrees that its offer shall remain open through the period stated in the prospectus although that period may exceed 90 days.

22. TERMS OF BIDDER'S OFFER: Bidder certifies and represents that the Bidder has read and understands each and every provision of this bid form (together with any attachments thereto) and the sample sale contract. The Bidder agrees that it assumes the responsibility to clarify any questions before signing this form. The Bidder agrees that the written provisions of this bid form (together with any attachments) and the sample sale contract constitute the entire agreement of the parties until a written contract is executed and neither the bid form (and any attachments) nor the sample contract can be orally modified. The Bidder expressly adopts the terms of this bid form and the sample contract as material parts of the Bidder's offer for the advertised timber or forest product.

23. DISCLAIMER OF ESTIMATES AND BIDDER'S WARRANTY OF INSPECTION: Before submitting this bid, the Bidder is advised and cautioned to inspect the sale area, review the requirements of the sample sale contract, and take other steps as may be reasonably necessary to ascertain the location, estimated volumes, construction estimates, and operating costs of the offered timber or forest product. Failure to do so will not relieve the Bidder from responsibility for completing the contract.

The Bidder warrants that this bid/offer is submitted solely on the basis of its examination and inspection of the quality and quantity of the timber or forest product offered for sale and is based solely on its opinion of the value thereof and its costs of recovery, without any reliance on Forest Service estimates of timber or forest product quality, quantity or costs of recovery. Bidder further acknowledges that the Forest Service: (i) expressly disclaims any warranty of fitness of timber or forest product for any purpose; (ii) offers this timber or forest product as is without any warranty of quality (merchantability) or quantity and (iii) expressly disclaims any warranty as to the quantity or quality of timber or forest product sold except as may be expressly warranted in the sample contract.

The Bidder further holds the Forest Service harmless for any error, mistake, or negligence regarding estimates except as expressly warranted against in the sample contract.

24. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS: The Bidder certifies, by signing this bid form, that the Bidder is in compliance with applicable prohibitions against export and substitution prescribed in the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 USC 620, *et seq.*). In Alaska, exports of logs, cordwood or primary products derived from included timber may not be transported from Alaska without Regional Forester approval (See instruction 15).

25. SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE SALE:

Not applicable.

26. SPECIAL SALVAGE SALE TIMBER SALE PROGRAM SET-ASIDE SALE:

Not applicable.

27. CERTIFICATION OF NON-AFFILIATION:

Not applicable.

<p>28. CERTIFICATION OF AFFILIATION: The Bidder certifies that a complete listing of Bidder's affiliates who are primarily engaged in the logging of forest products is included with this bid: (Add additional pages if needed; See Instructions 10 and 14):</p>		
Full Name of All Partners & Affiliates (Type or Print)	Tax Identification Number	
	When requested by Contracting Officer in notice of tentative award, bidder agrees to furnish tax identification number of each partner and affiliate listed herein.	
<p>Before signing this bid, review the attached instructions to Bidders and fill in the applicable blanks in boxes 14g, 15b, 16b, 18, and 28.</p>		
Name of Bidder: (Type or Print)	By: (Signature in ink)	
Tax Identification No. :	Title: (Type or Print)	Date:
Business Name Address and Phone Number: (Include Zip Code and Area Code) (Type or Print)		
Public reporting burden for this collection is estimated to be 34 hours per response, including time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information. Under the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, an agency shall not conduct or sponsor, and no persons are required to respond to, a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this collection of information is 0596-0066.		
Deposits will be returned to unsuccessful Bidders by certified mail unless deposits are returned personally.		
<p><u>Receipt for Returned Deposits:</u></p> Check Number _____ in the amount of \$ _____ dated _____ was returned to _____ _____ Signature: _____ Date: _____		

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. BIDDER'S QUALIFICATIONS: Before a bid is considered for award, the Bidder may be required to submit a statement regarding the Bidder's previous experience in performing comparable work, business affiliates and technical organizations, financial resources, intended product processing facilities and its timber exporting history.

2. PREPARATION OF SEALED BIDS: Bids shall be manually signed, bid prices entered into each block of the Bid Column (Block 14g) for all material subject to bidding and all fill-in blanks completed. If erasures or other changes appear on the forms, the person signing the bid must initial each erasure or change.

3. SUBMISSION OF SEALED BIDS: Sealed bids, with the accompanying bid guarantee, must be submitted to the Sale Officer, designated by the advertisement as the receiving officer, at or prior to the time established by the advertisement. Such bids must be enclosed in a sealed envelope addressed to the designated receiving officer. The envelope should show on the outside (a) that it is a "Bid for Timber," and (b) the sale name or number, and the date and time of opening bids as shown by the advertisement. Bids received after the time specified in the sale advertisement are late bids, Forest Service Handbook 2409.18, Chapter 60 will govern acceptance of such bids.

4. PUBLIC OPENING OF SEALED BIDS: Sealed bids will be publicly opened and posted at the time and place set for opening in the advertisement.

5. ORAL AUCTION BIDDING: Not applicable.

6. BID GUARANTEE: A bid guarantee in the form of a bid bond on form FS-6500-13 (4/82 or later version), certification of annual bid bond allocation on form FS-6500-13a (4/82 or later version), an irrevocable letter of credit, the format of which has been pre-approved by the Forest Service Regional Forester, a certified check, official bank check, bank draft, cashier's check, bank or postal money order payable to the Forest Service, USDA, or cash, in an amount no less than that specified in item 15(a), must accompany each sealed bid. Failure to submit an acceptable bid guarantee with the sealed bid will require rejection of the bid as non-responsive unless there is no other acceptable bid, or unless the Forest Service, in its sole discretion, decides to briefly delay a sale advertised for sealed bids followed by oral bids in order to allow any Bidder to cure any deficiency in its bid guarantee prior to oral bidding. Bid bonds must be accompanied by a power of attorney indicating that the person signing the bond for the surety has the power to do so. The Bidder acknowledges that bid guarantee shall be retained, in whole or in part, by the Forest Service to satisfy any damages that may be assessed if the bid is accepted and Bidder subsequently fails to furnish a cash downpayment or return the executed contract and performance bond as required (See instruction 9.); and that the bid guarantee may be retained, in whole or in part, if the bid is accepted and Bidder has failed to abide by the terms of the bid or sample contract violating the False Statements Act including not meeting the requirements in 36 CFR 223.101, determination of purchaser responsibility, and Bidder has made a false statement (block 16). Otherwise, the bid guarantee shall be returned to each Bidder whose bid is not accepted.

7. AWARD OF CONTRACT: Award of the contract will be made to that responsible Bidder whose bid, conforming to the invitation for bids, is most advantageous to the United States on the basis of total value. The Government may, when in its interest, reject any or all bids or waive any informality in bids received. A written award mailed (or otherwise furnished) to the successful Bidder shall be deemed to result in a binding contract without further action by either party. If timber is advertised as set-aside for competitive bidding by small businesses, award will be made to the highest Bidder qualified as a small business and who has not been determined by the SBA to be ineligible for preferential award of set-aside sales. If there are no qualified small business Bidders, Forest Service will advertise this sale without restrictions on bidder size. All small businesses qualified, as a small business by the SBA, shall be required to follow the small business set-aside provisions of the sample contract.

If an appeal or lawsuit is filed challenging the decision to award this contract or upon determination by the Regional Forester that conditions existing on this timber sale are the same as, or nearly the same as, conditions existing on other timber sale(s) in appeal or litigation, Contracting Officer may delay award or reject all bids. If delay in award is for 10 days or more during Normal Operating Season after bid opening, Contracting Officer shall, upon award, adjust the contract term to include additional calendar days in one or more Normal Operating Seasons equal to the actual time lost.

8. DOWN PAYMENT: The Bidder to whom award is made must make a downpayment at the time the

Bidder signs the contract and returns the contract to the Forest Service. The amount of the downpayment will be calculated as shown in block 20 of this bid for advertised timber. Only cash may be used to meet this requirement. Cash deposited must be in the form of bank draft, certified, official bank, or cashier's check, bank or postal money order, or company check. After receipt of downpayment and executed contract with required performance bond, the bid guarantee will be returned to the successful Bidder.

Bidder's failure to make the downpayment in conformance with the terms, conditions, and requirements contained in Contracting Officer's letter of award shall constitute repudiation of bid pursuant to instruction 9. Bidder shall have 3 days from the required date of execution to make the downpayment at the location designated by Forest Service. Bidder shall pay interest on the unpaid downpayment for the period within the 3 days in which the downpayment is late. The rate of interest is stated in block 19 of this bid for advertised timber. In the event Bidder fails to make payment within the 3 days, Bidder's bid guarantee shall be retained by Forest Service and applied toward damages. If the amount of the bid guarantee exceeds the amount of damages, the balance will be refunded to Bidder.

9. DAMAGES: Bidder acknowledges that this contract shall be terminated for breach pursuant to blocks 16, 16a, 16b, 19, 21, 24, 25, 26, 27, and/or 28 of this bid form if: (a) the Bidder fails to execute a timber sale contract, furnish a downpayment within 3 days of the required date of execution, or furnish a satisfactory performance bond, within the number of days listed in block 19, or any written extension thereof by Forest Service; or (b) the Bidder is found to have violated the False Statements Act in making any statement or certification on this bid form, including not meeting purchaser responsibility requirements. The Bidder acknowledges that the Bidder shall not be entitled to cure this breach and that it will pay damages pursuant to the following terms:

Damages due the United States shall be determined in the following manner: (a) The costs, as described in this instruction, incurred by Forest Service in contacting the other qualified bidders regarding accepting the award of the contract at the high Bidder's repudiated rate or (b) If another qualified bidder does not accept award of the contract at the high Bidder's repudiated rate:

- (i) If the repudiated contract is reoffered within 6 months of the date of repudiation, damages shall be the difference between the total resale bid value and the total value of Bidder's repudiated bid, plus costs described in this instruction or
- (ii) If there are no responsive bids on the reoffered contract, damages shall be the difference between the reoffered appraised value and the total value of Bidder's repudiated bid, plus costs described in this instruction or
- (iii) If the repudiated contract will not be reoffered or the reoffer is not made within 6 months of Bidder's repudiation, damages shall be the difference between the appraised value of this contract as of the date of Bidder's repudiation and the total value of Bidder's repudiated bid, plus the costs described in this instruction.

The costs to be included in damages are the costs the Government incurs in making the reoffer, including, but not limited to, salary costs, document preparation and duplication costs, mailing costs, and timber sale advertisement costs.

Damages will also include interest measured by interest at the Current Value of Funds Rate established by the Secretary of the Treasury, on the difference between Bidder's retained bid guarantee and the downpayment amount and other deposits required at award. Interest will be calculated from the date of Bidder's repudiation to the date of award of the reoffered contract or to the date a determination is made not to reoffer the repudiated contract or for 6 months, whichever comes first.

Bidder and Forest Service agree that Bidder's bid guarantee shall be retained by Forest Service and applied toward damages due the United States for Bidder's failure to execute this contract.

10. PRIVACY ACT: All personal information is requested on a voluntary basis; however, if you do not provide this personal information, your bid will not be accepted and the contract will not be awarded to you. Solicitation of this information is necessary for the government to conduct its sale program and thus is authorized under the National Forest Management Act of 1976, (16 USC 472a). The principal purpose for collecting this information is to allow for proper award of a timber sale contract and to provide for administration of that contract after award. Other routine uses of this data include: (1) compilation of Small Business data to determine needs for set-aside sales, (2) determination of volume purchased in any specific time period by a single purchaser, and (3) determination of volume under contract by a purchaser.

11. ROAD COMPLETION DATE: Not applicable.

12. ELECTION OF ROAD OPTION AND CERTIFICATE OF SMALL BUSINESS STATUS: Not applicable.

13. ELECTION OF ROAD OPTION: Not applicable.

14. DEFINITIONS:

Affiliates: Business concerns or individuals are affiliates of each other if, directly or indirectly, (a) either one controls or has the power to control the other; or (b) a third party controls or has the power to control both.

Bidder: A Bidder is any individual, organization, or other legal entity that submits a bid for, or may be expected to submit a bid for, a National Forest timber sale.

Covered Transactions: A primary or lower tier covered transaction. A primary covered transaction is any nonprocurement transaction between an agency and a person. A lower tier covered transaction is any transaction between a participant and a person other than a procurement contract unless the procurement contract is greater than \$25,000.

Participant: Any person who submits a proposal for, enters into, or reasonably may be expected to enter into a covered transaction. This term also indicates any person who acts on behalf of or is authorized to commit a participant in a covered transaction as an agent or representative of another participant.

Sale Officer: An individual delegated responsibility for any specific aspect or task in the bidding or awarding process for timber sales.

Small Business: In sales of National Forest timber a Small Business is a concern that: (1) is primarily engaged in the logging and forest products industry; (2) is independently owned and operated; (3) is not dominant in its field of operation; and (4) together with its affiliates does not employ more than 500 persons.

15. CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE WITH EXPORT RESTRICTIONS: Certain restrictions on the purchase and export of unprocessed logs cut from National Forest timber apply in various parts of the country. Pursuant to the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 USC 620, *et seq.*), the Bidder acknowledges that the Bidder is aware of the applicable export restrictions. The Bidder is aware that these restrictions affect the disposition of the included timber and is aware that the restrictions may reduce the potential value of the timber.

16. CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, PROPOSED DEBARMENT, AND OTHER RESPONSIBILITY MATTERS-TIMBER SALE TRANSACTIONS: The inability of a person to provide the certifications in block 16 will not necessarily result in denial of participation in this timber sale (covered transaction). The Bidder shall submit an explanation of why it cannot provide the certification. The certification or explanation will be considered in connection with the Forest Service's determination whether to enter into this timber sale. However, failure of the Bidder to furnish a certification or an explanation shall disqualify such person from participation in this timber sale.

The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when the Forest Service determined to enter into this timber sale. If it is later determined that the Bidder knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the Forest Service may terminate this timber sale for cause or default.

The Bidder shall provide immediate written notice to the Forest Service officer, to whom this bid is submitted, if at any time the Bidder learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

The terms 'covered transaction,' 'debarred,' 'suspended,' 'ineligible,' 'lower tier covered transaction,' 'participant,' 'person,' 'primary covered transaction,' 'principal,' 'proposal,' and 'voluntarily excluded,' as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the Forest Service for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

The Bidder agrees by submitting this bid that, should the proposed timber sale transaction be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any subcontractor transaction (lower tier covered transaction) with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this timber sale, unless authorized by the Forest Service's non-procurement Debarment and Suspending Official.

The Bidder further agrees by submitting this bid that it will provide the addendum titled 'Subcontractor Certification

Regarding De-barment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion,' without modification, to all subcontractors and in all solicitations for sub-contractors.

17. SUBCONTRACTOR CERTIFICATION REGARDING DEBARMENT, SUSPENSION, INELIGIBILITY, AND VOLUNTARY EXCLUSION: Pursuant to 7 CFR 3017.510 each timber sale purchaser shall require subcontractors to include a certification for it and its principals in any proposal submitted in connection with this timber sale. Purchasers shall keep the certifications on file until the termination date of the contract.

A participant in a timber sale may rely upon a certification of a prospective subcontractor that it is not proposed for debarment under 48 CFR 9.4, debarred, suspended, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from the timber sale, unless it knows that the certification is erroneous. A timber sale purchaser may decide the method and frequency by which it determines the eligibility of its principals. Each timber sale purchaser may, but is not required to, check the List of Parties Excluded from Federal Procurement and Nonprocurement Programs.

Nothing contained in the foregoing shall be construed to require establishment of a system of records in order to render in good faith the certification required by this provision. The knowledge and information of a timber sale purchaser is not required to exceed that which is normally possessed by a prudent person in the ordinary course of business dealings.

Except for transactions authorized under paragraph 5 of these instructions, if a timber sale purchaser knowingly enters into a subcontractor transaction with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR 9.4, suspended, debarred, ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this timber sale, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the Forest Service may terminate this timber sale for cause or default and/or pursue suspension and/or debarment. The instructions and certification follow:

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR:
Subcontractor Certification
Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion**

1. By signing and submitting this proposal, the prospective subcontractor (lower tier participant) is providing the certification set out below:

2. The certification is a material representation of fact upon which reliance was placed when this transaction was entered into. If it is later determined that the prospective subcontractor knowingly rendered an erroneous certification, in addition to other remedies available to the Federal Government, the Forest Service, with which this transaction originated, may pursue available remedies, including suspension and/or debarment.

3. The prospective subcontractor shall provide immediate written notice to the person to whom this proposal is submitted if at any time the prospective subcontractor learns that its certification was erroneous when submitted or has become erroneous by reason of changed circumstances.

4. The terms 'covered transaction,' 'debarred,' 'suspended,' 'ineligible,' 'lower tier covered transaction,' 'participant,' 'person,' 'primary covered transaction,' 'principal,' 'proposal,' and 'voluntarily excluded,' as used in this clause, have the meanings set out in the Definitions and Coverage sections of the rules implementing Executive Order 12549. You may contact the Forest Service for assistance in obtaining a copy of those regulations.

5. The subcontractor agrees by submitting this certification that, should the proposed subcontract be entered into, it shall not knowingly enter into any other subcontract with a person who is proposed for debarment under 48 CFR 9.4, debarred, suspended, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this timber sale, unless authorized by the Forest Service.

6. The subcontractor further agrees by submitting this certification that it will include this certification titled "Subcontractor Certification Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility and Voluntary Exclusion," without modification, and instructions in all subcontracts and in all solicitations for its subcontracts.

**Subcontractor Certification
Regarding Debarment, Suspension, Ineligibility, and Voluntary Exclusion**

Sale Name: Long Haul PL

National Forest: Chequamegon/Nicolet

The prospective subcontractor (participants in lower tier covered transactions) certifies, by submission of this proposal, that neither it nor its principals is presently debarred, suspended, proposed for debarment, declared ineligible, or voluntarily excluded from participation in this timber sale by any Federal department or agency.

Where the prospective subcontractor is unable to certify to any of the statements in this certification, such prospective subcontractor shall attach an explanation to this proposal.

Name of Subcontractor: _____

Business Address: _____

Date

Signature

BIDDER BOND INFORMATION

Region: 09 **Forest: Chequamegon Nicolet** **District: Lakewood/Laona**

Sale Name: Long Haul PL **Bid Date: 10/28/2014**

Bidder Name: _____

I request my cash equivalent bid guarantee be applied towards my Down Payment deposit requirement.
Yes _____ No _____

For the Performance Guarantee coverage, I plan to use (check one):

- Unknown
- Cash
- Letter of Credit
- Corporate Surety
Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
- Assignment of Savings
- Assignment of Certificate of Deposit
- Negotiable Securities

For the Payment Guarantee coverage (check one):

- I will not use Payment guarantee coverage, I will be making advance cash deposits, as needed.
- Unknown
- Payment Bond (applicable to this sale only)
In the amount of \$ _____
- Blanket Payment Bond
 - Add this sale to existing Blanket Payment Bond
Bond No. _____
 - I will be executing a new Blanket Bond.

My payment guarantee coverage will be secured by the following: (check one):

- Unknown
- Letter of Credit
- Corporate Surety
Name _____
Address _____
City/State/Zip _____
- Assignment of Savings
- Assignment of Certificate of Deposit
- Negotiable Securities

AD-3030-FS **U.S. DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE**

**REPRESENTATIONS REGARDING FELONY CONVICTION
 AND TAX DELINQUENT STATUS FOR CORPORATE APPLICANTS**

Note: You only need to complete this form if you are a corporation. A corporation is any entity that has filed articles of incorporation in one of the 50 States, the District of Columbia, or the various territories of the United States including American Samoa, Federated States of Micronesia, Guam, Midway Islands, Northern Mariana Islands, Puerto Rico, Republic of Palau, Republic of the Marshall Islands, or the U.S. Virgin Islands. Corporations include both for profit and non-profit entities.

The following statement is made in accordance with the Privacy Act of 1974 (5 U.S.C. 552(a), as amended). The authority for requesting the following information is sections 433 and 434 of the Consolidated Appropriations Act, 2012, P.L. 112-74, and subsequent similar provisions. The information will be used to confirm applicant status concerning entity conviction of a felony criminal violation, and/or unpaid Federal tax liability status.

According to the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1985 an agency may not conduct or sponsor, and a person is not required to respond to a collection of information unless it displays a valid OMB control number. The valid OMB control number for this information collection is 0505-0025. The time required to complete this information collection is estimated to average 15 minutes per response, including the time for reviewing instructions, searching existing data sources, gathering and maintaining the data needed, and completing and reviewing the collection of information.

1. APPLICANT'S NAME			2. APPLICANT'S ADDRESS (Including Zip Code)			3. TAX ID NO. (Last 4 digits)		

4A. Has the Applicant been convicted of a felony criminal violation under Federal law in the 24 months preceding the date of application? YES NO

4B. Has any officer or agent of Applicant been convicted of a felony criminal violation for actions taken on behalf of Applicant under Federal law in the 24 months preceding the date of application? YES NO

4C. Does the Applicant have any unpaid Federal tax liability that has been assessed, for which all judicial and administrative remedies have been exhausted or have lapsed, and that is not being paid in a timely manner pursuant to an agreement with the authority responsible for collecting the tax liability? YES NO

Providing the requested information is voluntary. However, failure to furnish the requested information will make the applicant ineligible to enter into a contract, memorandum of understanding, grant, loan, loan guarantee, or cooperative agreement with USDA.

PART B – SIGNATURE		
5A. APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE (BY)	5B. TITLE/RELATIONSHIP OF THE INDIVIDUAL IF SIGNING IN A REPRESENTATIVE CAPACITY	5C. DATE SIGNED (MM-DD-YYYY)

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