

NORTON STEWARDSHIP CONTRACT Highlights (Page 1 of 2)

Bessemer Ranger District

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- **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 8100 and FR 8120, approximately 4 miles West of Marenisco, MI.
- 7 Harvest units are dry summer operable (excluding ROW timber), with winter and frozen ground limitations of operations on the remaining units due to soils.
- 4,515 CCF is Sugar Maple pulpwood.
- 554 CCF is Sugar Maple Sawtimber.
- Stewardship Projects are briefly described on Page 2 of this Highlight Sheet.
- **SAMPLE CONTRACT will be posted to the Ottawa National Forest internet website (address shown below)**
- Attachments (Technical Proposal and Reference forms) to the Bid Form have been revised.

- **A Pre-Bid on-site SHOW-ME trip is scheduled on 03/24/2015 @ 0930 (am) (CT) for the Norton Stewardship on Dunham Rd. at the intersection with FR 8100. Snowmobiles may be needed to access the Contract Area. 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

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59 CCF Mixed Conifer Sawtimber	\$39.47
49 CCF Mixed Hardwood Sawtimber	\$90.40
195 CCF Red & White Pine Sawtimber	\$82.91
554 CCF Sugar Maple Sawtimber	\$237.93
735 CCF Aspen Pulpwood	\$29.93
85 CCF Mixed Conifer Pulpwood	\$14.21
4981 CCF Mixed Hardwood Pulpwood	\$28.54
157 CCF Pine Pulpwood	\$63.09

Total Advertised Value of Stumpage = \$330,008.27

Normal Operating Season: 12/15 – 3/15 and 08/01 – 10/01

Location: T45N-R44W Sections 3, 4, 9 & 10 and T46N-R44W Sections 33 & 34; Gogebic County, Michigan.

Termination Date: 10/01/2019

Required Road Maintenance Deposits: \$28,827.45

Required Bid Guarantee: NA

Pre-haul Maintenance: \$ 9,075.00(appraisal allowance)

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

Specified Road Work: NA

Downpayment: NA

Temporary Developments: \$4,863.00 (appraisal allowance)

Bid Opening Date/Time: 03/31/2015, 1:00 p.m. (local time)

Place of Bid Opening – Watersmeet & Iron River 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 Watersmeet & Iron River 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.

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Norton Stewardship Projects

Per AT.4.4 Stewardship Credits of Sample Contract

(Refer to Contract Area for location of Stewardship Projects)

Stewardship Projects

Brief Project Description of Projects
<u>Mandatory Stewardship Projects</u>
Wildlife Habitat Projects
Tree Felling: Project consists of Felling 198 trees in the Contract Area.
Brush Pile Construction: Project Consists of Constructing 7 Brushpiles within Payment Units 10 & 11.
Road Decommissioning Projects
Road Decommissioning: Decommissioning of short segments of 4 Unauthorized Roads.
<u>Optional Stewardship Projects</u>
Timber Related Projects
Aspen Site Preparation: Aspen Site Preparation within Payment Units 10, 11 & 18.
Canopy Gap Cleaning: Canopy Gap Cleaning within Payment Units 07, 08 & 12.

Bidders MUST bid on ALL stewardship work or bid will be considered non-responsive (see the Bid Form for Mandatory 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. 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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