

United States  
Department of Agriculture

Forest Service  
Gifford Pinchot  
Cowlitz Valley Ranger District

P.O. Box 670  
10024 U.S. Highway 12  
Randle, Washington 98377

Reply to: 2430  
Date: 04/02/2015

Dear Prospective Bidder:

On 05/07/2015, at 10:00 AM, initial bids for Oral Auction will be opened in the Cowlitz Valley Ranger District, 10024 U.S. Highway 12, Randle, WA 98377 for the Spud Thin sale. This sale is located in T 9 N., R. 8 E., Sections 4 and 5, T. 10 N., R. 9 E., Sections 19, 20, 29, 30, 31, and 32, W.M., Unsurveyed, Skamania County, Washington. Timber sale Contract 2400-6T will be used. The termination date for this sale is 11/30/2019. This is a small business set-aside sale.

This sale will be preferentially awarded to a qualified small business concern. In the absence of any bids from a self-certifying qualified small business concern, the sale will be readvertised without restriction on the size of bidders.

There are 0.01 miles (0.02 kilometers) of specified road reconstruction. A specified road construction cost of \$4,112.00 has been allowed in the appraisal for this work.

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this sale is 9,293 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 Minimum Acceptable Rates per Unit of Measure**

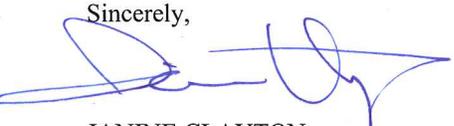
Estimated Quantities and Minimum Acceptable Rates per Unit of Measure							Required Deposits	
Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Average DBH	Minimum Acceptable Bid Rates	Base Rates	Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Douglas-fir and Other Coniferous Species	Sawtimber	CCF	7,437.00	N/A	\$13.27	\$3.00	\$1.07	\$16.40
Douglas-fir and Other Coniferous Species - Helicopter Logging Required	Sawtimber	CCF	1,623.00	N/A	\$13.27	\$3.00	\$1.07	\$16.40
Only the Fixed Rate Applies								
All Species	Grn Bio Cv	CCF	233.00	N/A	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$1.07	\$16.40
	Total	CCF	9,293.00				\$9,943.51	\$152,405.20

The minimum acceptable weighted average bid rate is \$13.27 per CCF.

There is a \$12,100.00 bid guarantee required on this sale.

If you wish further information on this sale, the prospectus and bid form, please write or call the Cowlitz Valley Ranger District, 10024 U.S. Highway 12, Randle, WA 98377, the Gifford Pinchot Forest Headquarters, 10600 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682 or visit the Forest webpage at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/giffordpinchot/>.

Sincerely,

  
JANINE CLAYTON  
Forest Supervisor

Enclosure

