

NATIONAL FOREST TIMBER FOR SALE
SUMTER NATIONAL FOREST

The AP Baker Branch Timber Sale is located within Oconee County, in Mountain Rest, SC on the Andrew Pickens Ranger District of the Sumter National Forest. Access is via SC State Hwy 28 to Hwy 193 (Whetstone Rd) to Hwy 290 (Cassidy Bridge Rd) The sale is located in Compartments 37, 38, and 42. The Record of Decision and associated NEPA documentation for this sale are found in the AP Loblolly Removal Restoration EIS. The Forest Service will receive sealed bids in public at Andrew Pickens District Office; 112 Andrew Pickens Circle, Mountain Rest, SC 29664 until 04:30 PM local time on September 3, 2015 for a combination of timber and service work items associated with the stewardship contract. A field tour of the project is scheduled for Friday, August 14, at 10:00am at the Andrew Pickens District Office. Timber to be cut within the contract area includes an estimated volume of 3,099 CCF of sawtimber and 1,580 CCF of pulpwood. The project also includes two mandatory stewardship service work items (Felling non-merchantable trees in harvest units and felling loblolly pine trees in cut & leave units), and two optional stewardship items (heavy brushing road maintenance and gate installation). Proposals will be evaluated on a best value basis; offerors must submit a technical proposal describing how the timber harvest and stewardship service work will be completed, as well as a per unit rate for the timber and the per unit rate for completing the stewardship service work item. Offers will not be publicly opened or disclosed. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all proposals. A prospectus, offer form, blank technical proposal form, blank past performance form and complete information concerning the timber, the service work required in this contract, and the process to submit proposals is available to the public from the Andrew Pickens Ranger District Office (address above), phone: 864-638-9568, or online at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/goto/scnfs/sumtertimbersales>. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.