



File Code: 2430

Date: August 17, 2015

To: Dear Prospective Bidder:

On 09/17/2015, at 9:00 AM, sealed bids accompanying technical proposals will be opened in the Oconee Ranger District Office, Eatonton, GA for the Standfordville West Intergrated Resource Timber Contract. This is located in the Oconee National Forest; Compartment 144, 145, and 146; located in Putnam County, GA. Timber sale contract 2400- 13T will be used. The termination date for this sale is 03/31/2019.

There are 0.9 miles (1.45 kilometers) of specified road reconstruction. A specified road construction cost of \$16,250.00 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 3,965 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	Base Rate	Minimum Acceptable Rate	Deposits for Maint. \$/CCF
<b>Mandatory Timber Cutting Units</b>						
Hardwoods	Sawtimber	CCF	124.00	N/A	\$46.83	\$0.00
Southern Yellow Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	2,319.00	N/A	\$15.95	\$0.00
Hardwoods	Pulpwood	CCF	361.00	N/A	\$1.00	\$0.00
Softwoods – Other	Pulpwood	CCF	1,161.00	N/A	\$1.00	\$0.00
	Total	CCF	3,965.00			

In addition to the timber component of this project, there is mandatory and optional stewardship service work to be performed. The service work consists of (Mandatory) 1 unit – Culvert Replacement, 28 acres – Site Prep, 28 acres – Tree Planting, 28 acres – Release Treatment and (Optional) – 28 acres – Pre-Commercial thinning, 7 units – Gate Replacement, and 50 acres – Wildlife Habitat Opening Improvement. As this work is completed and accepted, stewardship credits will be applied to the account to cover the cost of timber. The purchaser will be required to submit a rate per unit of measure for these projects as part of their proposal.



Item #	Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity
<b>Mandatory Stewardship Work</b>			
1	Culvert Replacement (FS-1058)	Each	1
2	Site Prep	Acres	28
3	Tree Planting	Acres	28
4	Planting Release	Acres	28
<b>Optional Stewardship Work</b>			
5	Pre-Commercial Thinning	Acres	28
6	Gate Placement	Each	7
7	Wildlife Habitat Improvement	Acres	50

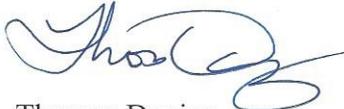
Bids will be evaluated on a best value basis and bidders must submit a technical proposal describing how stewardship service work will be completed. The technical proposal that is submitted will become a part of the contract when contract is awarded. A unit rate bid for the timber products is required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

There is a \$4,500.00 bid guarantee required on this sale.

If you wish further information on this sale, the Contract, Sale Area Map, Prospectus, Bid Form, Past Performance Questionnaire, and Technical Proposal Form, please write or call the Oconee Ranger District 1199 Madison Road Eatonton, GA. 31024; 706-485-7110, or you may obtain these items at the following website:

<http://www.fs.usda.gov/resources/conf/landmanagement/resourcemanagement>.

Sincerely,



Thomas Dozier  
Oconee District Ranger