



File Code: 2430

Date: April 29, 2010

Dear Prospective Bidder:

The Forest Service will receive technical and price proposals (no public opening) at the Snoqualmie Ranger District North Bend Office, 902 S.E. North Bend Way, Bldg. 1, North Bend, WA 98045-9545, no later than 10:00 AM local time on or before June 1, 2010, for the Elk Forage Stewardship Contract Re-Offer. This contract is located in Sec. 13, 14, and 24, T19N, R9E; and Sec. 16-23 and 31, T19N, R10E, W.M. Contract Form FS-2400-13T will be used. The termination date for this contract is 10/31/2015.

This Stewardship Contract includes the removal of timber and the completion of three (3) restoration service type projects meant to improve ecological conditions within the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest. Contractor will earn stewardship credits equal to the value of service work completed and accepted that will offset an equal amount of stumpage required to be paid by the contractor.

There are 27.94 miles of specified road reconstruction, and 0 miles of specified road construction. A specified road construction cost of \$213,278.16 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 contract is 6,582.00 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

Species	Product	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantities	Average DBH	Minimum Acceptable Bid Rates	Base Rates	Required Deposits	
							Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Douglas-fir	Sawtimber	CCF	6,289.00	11.7"	\$16.13	\$3.00	\$6.52	\$0.00
Western Hemlock and Other	Sawtimber	CCF	168.00	10.0"	\$3.00	\$3.00	\$6.52	\$0.00
Western Red Cedar	Sawtimber	CCF	118.00	11.3"	\$119.58	\$6.00	\$6.52	\$0.00
Required Removal at Fixed Rates								
Green Biomass Convertible Products	Grn Bio Cv	CCF	7.00	N/A	\$0.25	\$0.25	\$6.52	\$0.00
TOTAL		CCF	6,582.00				\$42,914.64	\$0.00



The minimum acceptable bid for advertised timber is \$116,056.01 for biddable species.

A bid guarantee is not required.

Bidders are required to submit a Bid Price/Best Value proposal for this contract. Contract award will be based on a determination of which proposal constitutes the best value to the Government. Proposals will be submitted in two parts and will include a Technical and a Price Proposal. Details on what to include in the proposals are stated in the Bid Form. Award will be made to the bidder whose offer is both technically acceptable and whose technical/price relationship is the most advantageous to the Government. The Government may, when in its interest, reject any or all offers 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 you wish further information on this contract, the prospectus, bid form, and the restorative service projects, please call the Snoqualmie Ranger District North Bend Office at (425) 888-1421, or contact Samantha Chang at (360) 436-2309 or [schang@fs.fed.us](mailto:schang@fs.fed.us). Project information will also be posted on the Mt. Baker-Snoqualmie National Forest website, <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/mbs/projects/>.

Sincerely,



JIM FRANZEL  
District Ranger

Enclosure