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Reply to: 2430
Date: July 11, 2012

Dear Prospective Bidder:

The Forest Service will receive technical and price proposals (no public opening) at the Okanogan Valley Office, 1240 South Second Avenue, Okanogan, WA no later than 16:30 local time on or before August 27, 2012 for the Wrangle Stewardship Contract. This contract is located in T36N, R20E, Section 1; T36N, R21E, Sections 6, 7, 8, 15, 16, 17, 20, 21, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28, 34 and 35; T37N, R20E, Sections 24 and 25; T37N, R21E, Sections 30, 31, and 32, W.M., Surveyed, Okanogan County, WA. Contract Form FS-2400-13T will be used. The termination date for this contract is April 30, 2015.

This Stewardship Contract includes the removal of timber and the completion of one (1) restoration service type project meant to improve ecological conditions within the Okanogan-Wenatchee 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 3.31 miles of specified road reconstruction. A specified road reconstruction cost of \$64,473 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 16,353 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
Alpine Fir	Sawtimber	CCF	138.00		\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.73	NA
Douglas Fir and Other Coniferious Species	Sawtimber	CCF	13,032.00		\$7.03	\$1.00	\$1.73	NA
Engelmann Spruce	Sawtimber	CCF	172.00		\$6.19	\$1.00	\$1.73	NA
Lodgepole Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	49.00		\$6.19	\$1.00	\$1.73	NA
Ponderosa Pine	Sawtimber	CCF	2,962.00		\$1.00	\$1.00	\$1.73	NA
Required Removal at Fixed Rates								
	TOTAL		16,353					



The minimum acceptable bid for advertised timber is \$96,082.95 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. (ADDED 7-17-08; INFO FROM R5)

If you wish further information on this contract, the prospectus, bid form, and the restorative service projects, please write or call the Methow Valley Ranger District Office, 24 West Chewuch Rd., Winthrop, WA. or the Okanogan Valley Office, 1240 South Second Avenue, Okanogan, WA, or go to the forests' webpage at "<http://www.fs.usda.gov/resources/okawen/landmanagement/resourcemanagement>".

Sincerely,



Susan Rinke
Contracting Officer