

LEGAL NOTICE
COWSLIP SALVAGE STEWARDSHIP PROJECT

The Cowslip Salvage Stewardship Project is located in T45N-R40W, Sections 8, 9, 16, 17, 20, 21 in Gogebic County, Michigan. The Forest Service will receive bids at the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger Districts offices in Watersmeet, MI, at 1:00 PM local time (CT) on August 28, 2012, for a combination of timber and stewardship service work items associated with the stewardship project. A Pre-Bid SHOW-ME trip is scheduled for August 14, 2012 at 9:30 AM (CT) at the intersection of Old US-2 and Forest Road 6150. Timber to be cut within the project area includes an estimated 298 CCF Mixed Conifer sawtimber; 122 CCF Mixed Hardwood sawtimber; 56 CCF Sugar Maple sawtimber; 924 CCF Aspen pulpwood; 334 CCF Mixed Conifer pulpwood; and 2,819 CCF Mixed Hardwood pulpwood; that is marked or otherwise designated for cutting. **Mandatory service work includes:** snowmobile trail re-route of 0.2 miles within (1) road segment; aspen site preparation of 92 acres (4 areas); and create fourteen (14) brush piles (4 locations). **Optional service work includes:** aspen site preparation of 37 acres (4 areas); and create five (5) wildlife brush piles (4 locations). Bids will be evaluated on a Best Value Basis and bidders must submit a technical proposal describing how stewardship service work will be completed, as well as a per unit rate value bid for the timber and per unit rate for each stewardship service work item. Offers will not be publicly opened or disclosed. The Forest Service reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A prospectus, bid form, blank technical proposal form, blank past performance form, SAMPLE CONTRACT, and complete information concerning the timber, the service work required in this contract, and the process to submit bids is available to the public from the Iron River/Watersmeet Ranger Districts offices, E23979 US 2 East, at Watersmeet, MI 49969, (906) 358-4551, or at www.fs.usda.gov/ottawa. The USDA is an equal opportunity provider and employer.

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