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Reply to: 2430  
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Dear Prospective Offeror:

The Forest Service will receive technical and price proposals (no public opening) at the Gifford Pinchot National Forest Headquarters, 10600 NE 51<sup>st</sup> Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682 no later than 10:00 am local time on or before September 4, 2012 for the Craggy Thin Stewardship Contract. This contract is located in T. 8 N., R. 6 E., Sections 13, 24, 25, and 36; T. 8 N., R. 7 E., Sections 1, 2, 7, 18, and 19; T. 8 N., R. 8 E., Sections 5, 6, 7, 8, and 18; T. 9 N., R. 7 E., Sections 35 and 36; T. 9 N., R. 8 E., Sections 29 and 32, W.M., Unsurveyed, Skamania County, Washington. Contract Form (FS-2400-13T) will be used. The termination date for this contract is October 31, 2018.

There are 1.56 miles (2.51 kilometers) of specified road reconstruction. A specified road reconstruction cost of \$4,989.92 has been allowed in the appraisal for this work.

This Stewardship Contract includes the removal of timber and the completion of one project meant to improve ecological conditions within the Gifford Pinchot 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.

Stewardship Work Item included in this contract:

**Mandatory Stewardship Work Items**

Item Number	Description	Unit of Measure	Estimated Quantity
1	9300000 Road Ditch Cleaning	Tasks	1.00

The estimated quantities in this contract have been determined prior to felling. The total estimated quantity on this contract is 6,762.00 CCF. The Forest Service encourages potential offerors to make their own inspection and estimate prior to offer 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
<b>Douglas-fir</b>	<b>Sawtimber</b>	<b>CCF</b>	<b>6,762.00</b>	<b>10.9"</b>	<b>\$19.85</b>	<b>\$1.00</b>	<b>\$1.35</b>	<b>\$13.00</b>
	<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>CCF</b>	<b>6,762.00</b>				<b>\$9,128.70</b>	<b>\$87,906.00</b>

A bid guarantee is not required.

Offerors 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 Offer Form. Award will be made to the offeror 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 offers received. A written award mailed, or otherwise furnished to the successful Offeror, shall be deemed to result in a binding contract without further action by either party.

A meeting for prospective offerors to discuss objectives and requirements, to review the projects, and discuss technical proposals for both of the Timber Harvest and Stewardship Project will be held on August 13, 2012 at 10:00 am local time, at Gifford Pinchot National Forest Headquarters, 10600 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA.

If you wish further information on this contract, the prospectus, offer form, and the restorative service project, please write or call the Gifford Pinchot National Forest Headquarters, 10600 NE 51st Circle, Vancouver, WA 98682, (360-891-5001) or visit the Forest webpage at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/giffordpinchot/>.

Sincerely,

JANINE CLAYTON  
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