

PROJECT 001
CHSP Kemp Run Integrated Resource Timber Contract
Manual Site Preparation
Marienville Ranger District

DIVISION 100
GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SITE PREPARATION

100 - Scope of Work

It is the intent of this contract is to have site preparation (felling work) and any resulting required slash disposal work accomplished on the Marienville Ranger District of the Allegheny National Forest. The contractor shall furnish tools, labor, equipment, and supervision required, unless otherwise provided herein.

120 - Location

The work area is located within the CHSP Kemp Run Integrated Resource Timber Contract area and is payment unit 04 (10 acres).

130 - Access

Work areas are accessible via FR 227DA. See attached map.

140 – Pre-work Conference

Prior to the start of work, and soon as possible after the award of the contract, the Contractor will contact the Forest Service and mutually agree on a pre-work conference date and location to discuss the contract terms and work performance requirements.

At this conference, the contractor will be required to submit a plan of work outlining the date work will begin.

150 – Progression of Work

Work must be scheduled so it does not occur during song bird nesting season April 1 to June 30. Work must be completed as timber is removed or up to 6 months prior to timber harvest. All work must be completed by the termination date of this contract (06-30-15).

DIVISION 200
TECHNICAL SPECIFICATIONS FOR SITE PREPARATION

210 – Species Requiring Treatment

The following species shall be cut as specified and are considered competing vegetation - undesirable species:

211 - Striped Maple - All live Striped Maple which is taller than one foot in height shall be

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felled and completely severed from the stump.

212 - Pin (Fire) Cherry - All live Pin Cherry which is taller than one foot in height shall be felled and completely severed from the stump.

213 - Birch - All live birch taller than one foot in height and less than 6.0 inches in diameter at a point 4.5 feet above the ground(diameter at breast height DBH) shall be felled and completely severed from the stump.

214 - Beech - All live beech taller than one foot in height and less than 6.0 inches in diameter at DBH shall be felled and completely severed from the stump.

220 – Stump Height

Maximum cutting height is six inches above ground level, unless otherwise stated to the contractor in writing by the Forest Service due to unusual circumstances.

Sprouts (multiple stems) will be cut as close to the ground as possible.

Woody vegetation will be cut in a manner which results in a flat (parallel with the ground) surface.

Angular stump cuts will not be allowed.

230 – Boundary Trees

Boundary trees are not to be felled. Area boundary trees are marked with a painted orange 2 or 3 stripe on the trees.

240 - Special Requirements

241 - Trees with any sort of marking paint or flagging will not be cut.

242 - Protected areas within stands identified by white three stripes at DBH with a single white stump mark will not be site prepped.

243 – Lodged (hung up) trees shall be pulled or cut down to within 3 feet of the ground.

244 - Trees shall not be felled onto any objects such as pipelines, oil, gas and mineral development, wells, powerlines, tree shelters, fences, and roads. The contractor shall be responsible for any damage caused to such objects.

245 - Only live trees will be cut; all snags encountered will be retained unless they are a hazard to contractor safety.

250 – Species Not Specified to be Cut (Desirables)

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Care shall be taken to not damage or cut desirable species. A maximum of 10% of the desirables may be cut when intertwined and amongst undesirables specified to be cut.

260 – Responsibility For Safety

It is the contractor's responsibility to ensure that the work environment is safe for themselves as well as their employees, Forest Service inspectors, and the public. If the contractor feels that a requirement of this contract would place them or their employees in an unsafe environment, then work should stop on that area of work and the contractor should contact the Contracting Officer Representative. Work on other areas of the contract that the contractor does not view as unsafe should continue. The contractor must adhere to all OSHA rules and regulations, utilizing appropriate personal protective safety equipment/clothing, which may include, but is not limited to, a hardhat, leg protection, ear and eye protection, and hand protection while working.

270 - Notification

Contractor shall be required to notify the Forest Service prior to starting work on any items. The contractor shall also notify the Contracting Officer Representative at least biweekly of the progress being attained on this project. This notification can be either oral or written.

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LIST OF DOCUMENTS, EXHIBITS, AND OTHER ATTACHMENTS

Listed below are all of the documents attached to, and forming a part of, this contract:

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Exhibit A
Information Sheet

Description	Acres	Warrant/Township	Fund	Road	Comp/St
Area 1	10	3669/Jenks	GSRV	FR 227DA	697059

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Exhibit B

SITE PREPARATION INSPECTION SHEET
 (Used by Forest Service)

Contract #: _____ Inspected By: _____
 (print)
 Area Inspected: _____ Date of Inspection: _____

Plot #	#Desirables Total	#Desirables Cut	%Desirables Cut	#Undesirables Total	# Undesirables Not Cut	%Undesirables Not Cut	Notes
1							
2							
3							
4							
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11							
12							

Unit Slash Work has been completed _____
 (date)

If corrections were needed indicate the date corrections were made: _____
 (date)

COMMENTS:

INSTRUCTIONS:

The radius of each plot is six (6) feet. There will be a minimum of five plots taken per Area. Areas greater than 15 acres shall have a plot for every three acres. Plots will be systematically distributed over the area using a grid system.

When counting desirables and there are more than 25 on the plot you may estimate by counting a ¼ plot and multiply by four. All desirables cut shall be counted along with undesirables not cut. There should be no more than 10% of desirables cut and no more than 10% of undesirables not cut.

All starting points and plot lines will be designated with flagging (do not use orange flagging). All plots shall have a plot center marked and numbered. Flagging shall be used to delineate the plot so it can be relocated. An Area Map indicating plot layout, bearings and distance used between plots shall be completed for each Area.