



File Code: 2430

Date: August 23, 2013

Dear Prospective Offeror:

The Forest Service will receive technical and price proposals (no public opening) at the Fremont-Winema National Forest Supervisor's Office, 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, Oregon 97630, no later than 10:00am local time on or before September 23, 2013, for the Bam Integrated Resource Timber Contract. The contract area is located within T.34S, R.12E. Sections 21, 22, 27, 28, 33, 34, and 35; T.35S. R.12E. Section 3 WM Surveyed, Klamath County, Oregon. Contract Form Forest Service-2400-13 will be used. The termination date for this contract is December 31, 2016.

The Forest Service will hold a pre-bid conference and site visit of the contract area on August 28, 2013, beginning at 9:00 am at the Bly Ranger District office located in Bly, Oregon. The morning will start with a discussion of the contract, the Best Value Award process, and requirements for both pricing and the Technical Proposal. Afterwards, we will visit specific locations in the Contract Area to explain the Stewardship Projects and any additional information needs. Anyone planning to attend should come prepared to travel to the Contract Area, transportation is not provided.

This Stewardship Contract includes the removal of timber and one Mandatory Stewardship project meant to improve ecological conditions within the Fremont-Winema National Forest. The contractor will earn stewardship credits equal to the value of the stewardship work completed and accepted that will offset an equal amount of stumpage required to be paid by the contractor. The mandatory project is shown below:

Project #	Mandatory (M) Optional (O)	Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity
001	M	Cut & Bunch 4.0-6.9 DBH Material(Incense Cedar, White fir and Lodgepole Pine) 4.0-8.9 DBH Material(Ponderosa Pine)	Acre	350



Measurement of the estimated quantities will be made after felling. The total estimated quantity on this contract is 10,163 Tons. 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 guarantees 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	Minimum Acceptable Bid Rates	Base Rates	Required Deposits	
						Slash Disposal	Road Maintenance
Lodgepole Pine	Sawtimber	TONS	1,176.76	\$2.88	\$.33	\$1.58	N/A
Ponderosa Pine	Sawtimber	TONS	8,891.67	\$2.88	\$.33	\$1.58	N/A
White Fir	Sawtimber	TONS	91.06	\$2.88	\$.33	\$1.58	N/A
Softwood Other	Gm Bio Cv	TONS	4.11	\$2.88	\$.33	\$1.58	N/A
TOTAL			10,163.60			\$16,031	

The minimum acceptable bid for advertised timber is \$29,271.17 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 for 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 advantages to the Government. The Government may, when in its best 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, bid amendment, and the Stewardship projects, please write or call the Bly Ranger District, 61100 Hwy 140 E, Bly, Oregon 97622 (541-353-2427) or the Fremont-Winema National Forest Supervisor's Office, 1301 South G Street, Lakeview, Oregon 97630 (541-947-2151). A copy of the bid form, bid amendment form, prospectus, sample contract, and contract map may be viewed on the Forest's webpage at <http://www.fs.usda.gov/fremont-winema>. Additionally, the shapefiles for the Subdivision Boundaries are available upon request at the numbers and addresses listed above.

Sincerely,



JUDD LEHMAN
Timber Contracting Officer