



File Code: 2430

Date: October 25, 2013

Dear Prospective Offeror:

The Forest Service will receive Technical and Price Proposals (no public opening) at the Deschutes National Forest Supervisors Office, 63095 Deschutes Market Road, Bend, OR 97701, no later than 11:00 AM local time on December 10th, 2013, for the Nina Stewardship Integrated Resource Timber Contract. This contract is located in T.25 S., R.8 E., Sections 32, 33; T.26 S., R.8 E., Sections 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33; T.27 S., R.8 E., Sections 5, & 6; W.M., Surveyed, Klamath County, Oregon. Contract Form FS-2400-13 will be used. The termination date for this contract is March 31, 2017.

There are 1.24 miles of specified road reconstruction. A specified road construction cost of \$61,120.51 has been allowed in the appraisal for this work.

This stewardship contract includes the removal of timber and the completion of two (2) mandatory restorative service projects meant to improve ecological conditions within the Deschutes 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.

Project	Mandatory	Description	Unit of Measure	Quantity
1	YES	Contractor Leave Tree Marking on a minimum of 5 acres each operating season or as agreed to by the Forest Service	Acres	5.0
2	YES	Treatment of Non-saw and Biomass trees and Operator Created Slash	Acres	752
3	NO	Treatment of Non-saw and Biomass trees and Operator Created Slash	Acres	490

Measurement of the estimated quantities will be made after felling. The total estimated quantity in this contract is 32,875 tons. There is also an additional unestimated amount of Green Convertible Biomass available as Timber Subject To Agreement (landing/slash piles and standing trees). 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(\$)
Lodgepole Pine and other Coniferous Species	Sawtimber	Ton	16,609	10.1	\$18.15	.30	.59	0
Ponderosa Pine	Sawtimber	Ton	16,266	13.7	\$18.15	.30	.59	0
TOTAL			32,875				19,396	0

The minimum acceptable bid for advertised timber is \$596,681.25 (for biddable species).

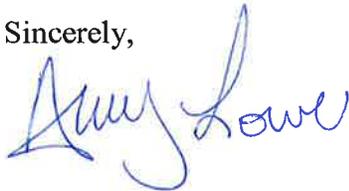
A bid guarantee is not required. A performance bond is required.

The Forest Service will hold a pre-bid conference and site visit of the contract area on November 12, 2013, beginning at 9:00 AM at the Crescent Ranger District, located in Crescent, OR.

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 on the Bid Form. Award will be made to the bidder whose offer is both technically acceptable and whose technical/price relationship is most advantageous to the Government. The Government may, when in its interest, reject any or all proposals 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 and bid form, go to <http://www/fs.usda.gov/goto/centraloregon/timbersales>, or please write or call the Deschutes National Forest Supervisor's Office 63095 Deschutes Market Road Bend, OR 97701, 541-383-5590; or the Crescent Ranger District 136471 Hwy 97 N., Crescent Oregon, 97733, 541-433-3246

Sincerely,



AMY LOWE
Contracting Officer