

This advertisement includes:

Date Mailed: April 18, 2012

(In Order of Auction)

Wildgal Timber Sale (**Lump Sum Sale**)

Sale Date: May 23, 2012

PVJ Timber Sale (**Lump Sum Sale**)

Spike Timber Sale (**Lump Sum Sale**)

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
Klamath Falls Resource Area
2795 Anderson Avenue, Building 25
Klamath Falls, Oregon 97603

TIMBER SALE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will offer for sale timber as described herein for oral auction, pursuant to Instructions to Bidders, as stated on Form No. 5440-9 and subject to Notice of Requirement for Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities, Form No. 1140-4. Written and oral bids will be received by the Field Manager, or their representative, at the Bureau of Land Management, Klamath Falls Resource Area Office, 2795 Anderson Avenue, Building 25, Klamath Falls, Oregon, telephone (541) 883-6916. The timber sale will commence at 10:00 a.m. on May 23, 2012.

A WRITTEN BID on Form 5440-9 at not less than the appraised price on a unit basis per species and the required minimum bid deposit shall be required to participate in oral bidding for each tract.

APPRAISED PRICES are determined by analytical appraisal methods unless otherwise noted on individual timber sale notices.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, as a condition of award, will be required to complete and/or sign the following forms:

1. Form 1140-6, a certification that the bid was arrived at by the bidder or offeror independently, and was tendered without collusion with any other bidder or offeror.
2. Form 1140-7, Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Program Representation, for all contracts over \$10,000.00.
3. Form 1140-8, Equal Opportunity Compliance Report Certification.
4. Form 5450-17, Export Determination.

A PERFORMANCE BOND in an amount not less than 20 percent of the total purchase price will be required for all contracts of \$2,500.00 or more, but the amount of the bond shall not be in

excess of \$500,000.00, except when the Purchaser opts to increase the minimum bond as provided in 43 CFR 5451.2. A minimum performance bond of not less than \$500.00 will be required for all installment contracts less than \$2,500.00.

QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS concerns may apply to the Small Business Administration for a loan to provide financing for access road construction required under the terms of qualifying timber sale contracts and necessary contract changes will be made. Approval of loan applications rests with the Small Business Administration and may be contingent upon availability of funds. Applicants for such loans shall notify the BLM of their intention to apply for such loan.

LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION All timber sales, including timber from Federal rights-of-ways, shall be subject to the restrictions relating to the export and substitution of unprocessed timber from the United States in accordance with P.L. 94-165 and 43 CFR 5400 and 5424 as amended.

LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS Excepting Port-Orford-cedar, all timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from being used as a substitute for exported private timber.

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) has revised the log export restrictions special provision to reduce the log branding and painting requirements. The new requirements include branding of one end of all logs with a scaling diameter of over 10 inches. All loads of 11 logs or more, regardless of the diameter of the logs, will have a minimum of 10 logs branded on one end. All logs will be branded on loads of 10 logs or less. One end of all branded logs will be marked with yellow paint. At the discretion of the Contracting Officer, the Purchaser may be required to brand and paint all logs. The Purchaser shall bear any increased costs for log branding and painting.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION concerning each timber sale tract described herein is available at the above Resource Area Office. A copy of the timber sale contract is also available for inspection at the Resource Area Office.

The prospectuses for these timber sales are also available online at:
<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/lakeview/timbersales/index.php>

The prospectuses include maps and tables that cannot be made Section 508 compliant. For help with this data and information, please contact the KFRA BLM Office at 541-883-6916.

THE VOLUMES LISTED herein are estimates only, based on 16-foot taper breaks, which must be taken into consideration if comparisons are made with volume predictions based on other standards. No sale shall be made for less than the total purchase price, without regard to the amount bid per unit, even though quantity of timber actually cut or removed or designated for taking is more or less than the estimated volume or quantity so listed.

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS may be authorized for sales of \$500.00 or more. Required

installments will be determined by BLM. For sales under \$500,000.00, installments will not be less than 10% of the total purchase price. For sales of \$500,000.00 or more, installment payments shall be \$50,000.00.

A SALE DEPOSIT equal to one installment is required prior to approval of the contract. This deposit must be made in cash or by check payable to the Department of Interior - BLM.

AN IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT (ILC) may be used in place of bid bonds, performance bonds, and payment bonds. ILC's must be approved by the Authorized Officer prior to use and are subject to certain limitations. Contact the Klamath Falls Resource Area for further information.

THE PURCHASER is given no authority to enter upon or cross any private lands or to use any privately-owned property or improvements unless such rights are specifically covered in the contract stipulations. If the Purchaser desires to make any use of private property which is not specifically authorized by the contract, they must make the necessary prior-arrangements for such use with the landowner.

PRIOR TO STARTING any operations, the Purchaser or their designated representative will be required to meet with the Authorized Officer or their representative and the Contract Administrator for a pre-work conference. If a subcontractor is to be involved in the operation, the subcontractor must also be represented at the conference. If more than one subcontractor is to be involved in the operation, it may be necessary to have more than one pre-work conference unless all subcontractors can be present at one conference.

PRIOR TO THE AWARD of any timber sale, the BLM may require the high bidder to furnish such information as is necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform the obligations of the contract. The following information is required for first time high bidders bidding as:

1. Individuals
 - a. A Citizenship Affidavit, Form 5450-9.
 - b. A certified Financial Statement prepared no earlier than sixty (60) days prior to the sale date.

2. Partnerships or Unincorporated Associations
 - a. A Citizenship Affidavit, Form 5450-9, for each member of the partnership or association.
 - b. A copy of the partnership agreement, or if no formal partnership agreement, a letter showing the nature of the business conducted by the partnership, partnership term, and the name of the partner or partners authorized to execute timber sale contracts and performance bonds on behalf of the partnership.
 - c. A certified Financial Statement prepared no earlier than sixty (60) days prior to the sale date.

3. Corporations
 - a. A certified copy of the articles of incorporation and by-laws.

- b. A certified copy of the resolution of the board of directors authorizing the officers to sign timber sale contracts and performance bonds on behalf of the corporation.
- c. An original certificate from the Corporation Commissioner authorizing the corporation to transact business in the State of Oregon.
- d. A certified Financial Statement prepared no earlier than sixty (60) days prior to the sale date.

Those bidders who have demonstrated poor performance, including recent contract defaults, may be required to provide additional performance assurances in the form of advanced payment and/or an increased performance bond as a condition for award of contract. These extraordinary requirements may be required on a case-by-case basis.

PRE-AWARD QUALIFICATIONS The higher bidder may be required to furnish information to determine the ability to perform the obligations of the contract. If the high bidder is determined not qualified, not responsible, or refuses to respond within five (5) days of a request for information pertaining to qualifications, the contract may be offered and awarded for the amount of the high bid to the highest of the bidders who is qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract.

OTHER 43 CFR Chapter 11 (10-1-92 Edition), Subpart 5442- Bidding Procedure.
§ 5442.3 Rejection of Bids; Waiver of Minor Deficiencies. When the Authorized Officer determines it to be in the interest of the Government to do so, he may reject any or all bids and may waive minor deficiencies in the bids or the timber sale advertisement. (38 CFR 6280, March 8, 1973)

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS were prepared for these sales, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. These documents are available for inspection as background for this sale at the Klamath Falls Resource Area Office.

Notice of Decision for Wildgal sale of timber dated August 17, 2011.
Notice of Decision for PVJ sale of timber dated April 19, 2012
Notice of Decision for Spike sale of timber dated April 19, 2012.