

This Advertisement includes:

Date Mailed:  
September 25, 2010

1. Althouse Sucker - #10-09 (SBA status-OPEN)
2. Sampson Cove - #10-19 (SBA status-OPEN)

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR  
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT  
MEDFORD DISTRICT OFFICE  
3040 BIDDLE ROAD  
MEDFORD, OREGON 97504  
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**30-DAY TIMBER SALE NOTICE**

**SEALED BID SALE**

**\*\*REVISED\*\***

THE TIMBER DESCRIBED HEREIN was offered for sale on September 16, 2010. No bids were received; therefore, pursuant to 43 CFR 5443.1, the sale of such timber is kept open for a period of Thirty (30) days, from September 16, 2010, until close of business at 4:30 p.m., on Friday, October 15, 2010.

**\*\*The Althouse Sucker timber sale is not an SBA Set-Aside timber sale as previously identified on the 30-Day sealed bid sale notice**

NOTICE OF RECEIPT of any qualifying bids submitted on this sale under this notice, will be posted for a period of seven (7) calendar days from the date the bid was received, during which time other written bids may be submitted. If no other bids are submitted within the seven-day period, the sole qualifying bidder shall be deemed the high bidder. If more than one written bid is submitted from a qualified bidder, an oral auction will be held after notice to the bidders.

WRITTEN BIDS will be received for not less than the advertised appraised price during the time this sale is open.

TO QUALIFY for participation in a sealed bid sale, bidders must submit bids in a sealed envelope. The envelope must include a Deposit and Bid for Timber, Form 5440-9; Notice to Bidders; and the bid deposit. The outside of the envelope is to be marked **SEALED BID FOR TIMBER, ALTHOUSE SUCKER TIMBER SALE – #10-09 or SAMPSON COVE TIMBER SALE - #10-19**. All bids must be submitted at the MEDFORD INTERAGENCY OFFICE, 3040 BIDDLE ROAD, MEDFORD, OREGON, BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON FRIDAY, OCTOBER 15, 2010, AT 4:30 P.M.

COPIES of the Althouse Sucker and Sampson Cove Prospectus's are available at the Medford and Grants Pass Interagency Offices, or online at:  
<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/medford/timbersales/index.php>.

## 30-DAY SEALED BID SALE

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GRANTS PASS RESOURCE AREA  
JOSEPHINE MASTER UNIT

Medford Sale # 10-09  
October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2010 (AF)

#1. ALTHOUSE SUCKER, Josephine County, O&C and P.D. BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$9,500.00

All timber designated for cutting in SW¼NE¼, S½NW¼, N½SW¼, N½SE¼, SW¼SE¼ Section 9, Lots 1 and 3 Section 35 T. 39S. R. 7W., Lots 4, 5, 6, 9, 11, and 12, SW¼NW¼ Section 3, E½NE¼ Section 4, W½NW¼ Section 8, Lots 1 and 2 Section 10, SE¼NE¼, NE¼SE¼ Section 11, SW¼SE¼ Section 12, SE¼NE¼ Section 18 T. 40S R.7W., Willamette Meridian.

Approx. Number Merch. Trees	Est. Volume MBF 32' Log	Est. Volume CCF	Species	Est. Volume MBF 16' Log	Appr. Price Per MBF*	Est. Volume Times Appraised Price
9503	1761	3700	Douglas-fir	2132	\$42.20	\$89,970.40
156	38	75	Ponderosa Pine	47	**\$26.40	\$1,240.80
147	37	75	Sugar Pine	45	**\$25.50	\$1,147.50
287	19	48	Incense-cedar	24	\$86.60	\$2,078.40
10,093	1855	3898	<b>Totals</b>	2248		\$94,437.10

\*Stumpage values have been determined by market value estimates and analytical appraisal methods were used to compute the appraised price. Additional information concerning the appraised price is available at the Medford Interagency Office, or Grants Pass Interagency Office.

\*\*Minimum stumpage values were used to compute the appraised price (10% of pond value).

**TIMBER AUCTION LOCATION** – The timber auction will be held at the BLM Medford District Office, located at 3040 Biddle Rd., Medford, Oregon, at 9 a.m., on Thursday, September 16, 2010.

Bidders will be restricted to bidding on a unit (MBF) rate of the Douglas-fir volume. All other species will be sold at appraised price per unit (MBF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.10 per MBF.

**CRUISE INFORMATION** - The Douglas-fir (DF) has been cruised using the 3-P sampling method to select sample trees. Maps showing the location and description of these sample trees are available at the Grants Pass Interagency Office. The sample trees have been measured, utilizing the VOLT system of measurement, and the volume expanded to a total sale volume. The volume of all other species in this sale has been derived from individual tree measurements taken during a 100% cruise using form class tables for estimating board foot volume of trees in 16-foot logs.

Approximately 1% of the total sale volume is salvage material. With respect to merchantable trees of all conifer species: the average tree is 16 inches DBHOB; the average gross merchantable log

contains 64 bd. ft.; the total gross volume is approximately 2524 M bd. ft; and 89% recovery is expected. (Average DF is 16 inches DBHOB; average DF gross merchantable log contains 63 bd. ft.)

LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS - All timber sold to the Purchaser under the terms of the contract, except exempted species, is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from use as a substitute for exported private timber.

The 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.

CUTTING AREA - Nine (9) units containing 143 acres must be partial cut. Two (2) units containing 35 acres must be structural retention cut. Two (2) right-of-ways containing four (4) acres must be clear cut.

CUTTING TIME - Contract duration will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber.

ACCESS - Access to the sale area is available via a public road through the contract area; existing BLM roads and BLM controlled easements. Among other conditions, this agreement requires road maintenance by the Purchaser during the life of the sale.

ROAD MAINTENANCE - The Purchaser will be required to maintain all of the roads which he constructs plus 18.92 miles of existing BLM road. The purchaser will comply with the conditions of Right-of-way and Road Use Agreements between BLM and Indian Hill L.L.C. BLM will maintain 18.92 miles of road. The Purchaser will be required to pay a maintenance and rockwear fee of \$4985.21 for the use these roads. Additional maintenance fee for use of Indian Hill L.L.C. road 40-7-5 in the amount of \$217.32.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION - Contract will require the Purchaser to construct 85.5 stations and improve 998.97 stations of road. Additional information is available in the timber sale prospectus.

SOIL DAMAGE PREVENTION - Pursuant to Section 25 of Form 5450-3, Timber Sale Contract, the Purchaser shall not operate or cause to have operated on the contract area, any tractor-type logging equipment when soil moisture content exceeds 25 percent by weight as determined by a Speedy Moisture Meter.

EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS -

1. Yarding tractor not greater than 8.5 feet wide, as measured from the outer edges of standard width track shoes and equipped with integral arch and winch capable of lining logs 75 feet.
2. Skyline yarder capable of one end log suspension, minimum lateral yarding capability of seventy-five (75) feet while maintaining a fixed position during inhaul, and yarding logs uphill approximately 1200 feet.
3. Line equipped shovel, (Yoader) necessary for one skyline unit, (see Other).

SLASH DISPOSAL - Appraised slash disposal consists of one hundred forty-three (143) acres of hand pile, cover, and burn, thirty (30) acres of slashing, building approximately nine-thousand one hundred (9,100) feet of hand and tractor fire line, and thirty-five (35) acres of prescribed under burning.

CONTRACT TERMINATION - "A revised Special Provision has been added to the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend the contract to facilitate protection of certain plant or animal species, and /or to modify or terminate the contract when necessary to:

1. Comply with the Endangered Species Act, or;
2. Comply with a court order, or;
3. Protect occupied marbled murrelet sites in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines of the (district name) District Record of Decision (ROD) and Resource Management Plan (RMP), or;
4. Protect species which were identified for protection through survey and manage and/or protection buffer standards and guidelines established in the ROD and RMP.”

“This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser which have not been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.”

OPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION - The purchaser will have the option of performing certain slash disposal requirements or contributing \$17,037.31 in lieu thereof. The option must be declared upon execution of the contract. The optional contribution must be paid prior to cutting and removing any timber in installments payable in the same manner as and together with payments required in Section 3 of the contract.

PERFORMANCE BOND - A performance bond in the amount of 20% of the total purchase price will be required.

OTHER -

1. No extension of time beyond the normal 30 days will be granted for completing bonding and contract signing requirements.
2. Seasonal operating constraints, (L-18, L-18a).
3. Slash treatment will be concurrent with logging.
4. Unit 3-1A2 – line equipped shovel, (Yoader) necessary with reach of 810 feet, otherwise multiple artificial anchors, (tractors, deadman) needed for 12 settings. Tractor anchors needed in unit 35-23. Cable anchor extensions needed.
5. High lift trees, (>25') needed on approximately 15 skyline corridors.
6. Purchaser should be aware that logging residue reduction costs listed under SD-5 are in addition to costs assessed under SD-1 and SD-2. Refer to the appraisal for total assessed costs of logging residue reduction.
7. Yum yarding and end hauling of hardwoods, (Units 9-2A 15 acres and 11-15 11 acres).
8. Cleaning of equipment to eliminate noxious weed seeds is required prior to move in of equipment onto federal lands.
9. L-18a seasonal restriction for northeast portion of unit 8-1 is for approximately 4 acres.
10. Obliteration of some roads, (E-1).

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF HOW TO GET TO THE TIMBER SALE AREA - From Cave Junction, Oregon, go East on Caves Highway/OR-46 approximately 1.8 miles. Turn South onto Holland Loop Road and go approximately 5.3 miles to Kendall Road. Turn South on Kendall Road, go approximately 0.4 miles and turn East on Althouse Road. Stay on Althouse Road approximately 1.1 miles and turn Southeast on Tarter Gulch Road (BLM road 40-7-4). Stay on Tarter Gulch Road (BLM road 40-7-4) for approximately 0.7 miles and turn Northeast on BLM road 40-7-10. Go approximately 0.2 miles. This puts you in Unit 3-1A1 of the timber sale. See Exhibit A, Althouse Timber Sale Location Map, and Grants Pass Resource Area transportation maps for more detailed information on roads and unit locations.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT - An environmental assessment (EA-OR117-07-02) was prepared for this sale, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. This document is available for inspection as background for this sale at the Medford Interagency Office.