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3. Clean Slate Timber Sale TS19-08

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
District Office
3040 Biddle Road
Medford, Oregon 97504

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EXTENDED 90-DAY TIMBER SALE NOTICE

SEALED BID SALE

THE TIMBER DESCRIBED HEREIN was offered for sale on November 29, 2018. No bids were received; therefore, pursuant to 43 CFR 5443.1, the sale of such timber is kept open for a period of Ninety (90) additional days, from November 29, 2018, until close of business at 4:30 p.m., on Wednesday, February 27, 2019.

WRITTEN BIDS will be received for not less than the appraised price during the time this sale is open. The required deposit must accompany the written bid.

NOTICE OF RECEIPT of any qualifying bids submitted 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.

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 a bid deposit. The outside of the envelope is to be marked SEALED BID FOR TIMBER, CLEAN SLATE TIMBER SALE - #19-08. All bids must be submitted at the GRANTS PASS INTERAGENCY OFFICE, 2164 NE SPALDING AVE, GRANTS PASS, OR, BY CLOSE OF BUSINESS ON WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 2019, AT 4:30 P.M.

COPIES of the CLEAN SLATE Full Prospectus are available at the Medford and Grants Pass Interagency Offices, or online at <https://blm.gov/or/resources/forests/>

EXTENDED 90-DAY SEALED BID SALE **P R O S P E C T U S**

LUMP SUM SALE

GRANTS PASS RESOURCE AREA
JOSEPHINE MASTER UNIT

Medford Sale # ORM05-TS-2019-08
November 29, 2018 (CLS)

3 Clean Slate (5900) Josephine County, O&C

BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$ 31,700.00

All timber designated for cutting in Lot 5, W1/2SW1/4 Section 17, NE1/4NW1/4, E1/2SE1/4 Section 21, SW1/4SW1/4 Section 22, Unnumbered Lots (2), W1/2NW1/4 Section 31, T. 38 S., R. 7 W., S1/2NE1/4, SE1/4SW1/4, N1/2SE1/4, SW1/4SE1/4 Section 13, W1/2NE1/4, S1/2SW1/4, W1/2SE1/4 Section 23, T. 38 S., R. 8 W., SE1/4, E1/2SW1/4 Section 3, SE1/4NE1/4 Section 8, N1/2NW1/4, SW1/4NW1/4 Section 9, NW1/4NE1/4, NE1/4NW1/4 Section 10, T. 39 S., R. 7 W., Willamette Meridian.

Approx. Number Merch. Trees	Est. Volume MBF 32' Log	Species	Est. Volume MBF 16' Log	Appr. Price Per MBF*	Est. Volume Times Appraised Price
18,070	2,653	Douglas-fir	3,240	\$96.00	\$311,040.00
780	93	Sugar Pine	116	\$42.00	\$4,872.00
96	11	Ponderosa Pine	15	\$38.40	\$576.00
5	0.7	White fir	1	\$37.20	\$37.20
8	0.8	Incense-cedar	1	\$68.60	\$68.60
18,959	2,758.50	Totals	3,373		\$316,593.80

*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 District Office.

**The purchase of biomass material is optional. If the Purchaser chooses to purchase biomass/firewood, then it will be modified into the timber sale contract and a fair market price will be established at that time.

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 have been cruised using the 3P 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 2,195 madrone and tanoak trees which are considered to be non-merchantable are designated for cutting and yarding. With respect to merchantable trees of all conifer species: the average tree is 14.9 inches DBHOB; the average gross merchantable log contains 62 bd. ft.; the total gross volume is approximately 3,908 M bd. ft; and 86% recovery is expected. (Average DF is 15.0 inches DBHOB; average gross merchantable log DF contains 62 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 – Thirteen (13) units containing 311 (311) acres must be partial cut.

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

ACCESS - Access to the sale area is available via a public road system through the contract area, existing BLM roads, and:

(B)(9) Right-of-Way and Road Use Agreement M-1166 with John Hancock Life Insurance Company.

Among other conditions, this agreement requires, but is not limited to:

- (1) completion of an agreement between the Purchaser and Permittee.
- (2) road maintenance to be completed by the Purchaser.
- (3) arbitration of conditions of road use. The Permittee has indicated they require a rockwear obligation of \$131.10.

(B)(10) Right-of-Way and Road Use Agreement M-1538 with Josephine County Department of Forestry.

Among other conditions, this agreement requires, but is not limited to:

- (1) completion of an agreement between the Purchaser and Permittee.
- (2) road maintenance to be completed by the Purchaser.

ROAD MAINTENANCE - The Purchaser will be required to maintain all of the roads which he constructs plus 20.01 miles of existing BLM and Third Party (Industry) roads. The BLM will maintain 4.68 miles of existing BLM roads. The Purchaser will be required to pay a rockwear fee of \$2,960.83 and maintenance fee of \$2,375.48 for the use of these roads listed in the contract.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION - The contract will require the Purchaser to renovate 1056.51 stations of existing road, and construct/decommission 89.00 stations of temporary routes. Additional information is available in the timber sale prospectus.

SOIL DAMAGE PREVENTION - Pursuant to Section 26 of Form 5450-25, Timber Sale Contract, the Purchaser shall not conduct mechanical ground based harvesting, ground based yarding, skid trail and landing rehabilitation, road construction, temporary route construction, temporary route reconstruction, or temporary route and landing decommissioning in all Harvest Units between October 15 of one calendar year and May 15 of the following calendar year both days inclusive.

Purchaser may request in writing, a conditional waiver of this restriction. If soil moisture conditions are dry, as determined by the inability of a soil sample taken at four (4) to six (6) inches to maintain form when compressed and by the inability of soil moisture at the surface to be readily displaced, causing rills and ruts along equipment tracks, the Contracting Officer may approve a conditional waiver. If impacts to soil resulting from said conditional waiver are not acceptable as determined by the Authorized Officer, the waiver will be revoked.

Pursuant to Section 26 of Form 5450-25, Timber Sale Contract, the Purchaser shall not conduct any haul on natural surface and rocked roads on the Contract Area between October 15 of one calendar year and May 15 of the following calendar year, both days inclusive. Purchaser may request in writing, a conditional waiver of this restriction. If the Authorized Officer determines that hauling would not result in road damage or the transport of sediment to nearby stream channels based on soil moisture conditions or rain events,

Contracting Officer may approve a conditional waiver for hauling. If soil moisture conditions or rain events are anticipated to cause impacts to roads or stream water quality resulting from said conditional waiver are not acceptable as determined by the Authorized Officer, the waiver will be revoked.

EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS - A yarding tractor not greater than 9 feet wide as measured from the outer edges of standard width shoes and equipped with an integral arch and a winch for lining logs seventy-five (75) feet. A skyline yarder with a medium (42-54 foot) tower; capable of one-end suspension with a minimum lateral yarding capability of seventy-five (75) feet while maintaining a fixed position during inhaul; capable of multi-span; and capable of an external yarding distance of approximately sixteen hundred (1,600) feet slope distance. A minimum two hundred (200) flywheel horsepower tractor with mounted rippers no more than thirty six (36) inches apart and capable of ripping to a depth of eighteen (18) inches will be required for decommissioning temporary routes and utilized skid roads within riparian reserve portions of harvest units.

SLASH DISPOSAL - Slash disposal will consist of handpile and cover, handpile burn and mopup, machine pile and cover, machine pile burn and mop up, cover and burn landing decks, and underburning as described in SD-1 and SD-4 of the Special Provisions. There is an option to provide payment in lieu of burning in C-1 of the Special Provisions.

MACHINE PILE AND BURN all slash reachable from designated skid trails located in Harvest Unit 13-3 (portion). Perform HANDPILE AND BURN on Harvest Units 3-10 (portion), 9-5 (portion), 13-3 (portion), 17-2 (portion), and 23-4 (portion). Perform MACHINE PILE AND BURN LANDING DECKS on Harvest Units 3-9 (portion), 3-10 (portion), 3-11 (portion), 9-5 (portion), 13-3 (portion), 13-4 (portion), 17-2 (portion), 21-8 (portion), 21-12 (portion), 22-5 (portion), 23-3 (portion), 23-4 (portion), and 31-11(portion). Perform UNDERBURNING on Harvest Units 3-9, 3-10 (portion), 3-11, 9-5 (portion), 13-3, 13-4, 17-2 (portion), 21-8, 21-12, 22-5, 23-3, 23-4 (portion), and 31-11. A post logging assessment shall be conducted to determine treatment needs in all units. The initial appraisal prescribed eighteen and one half (18.5) acres of hand cover and burn landing decks, nine (9) acres of machine pile, cover, burn, and mop-up machine piles, eighteen and one half (18.5) acres of pile, cover, burn, and mop-up landing decks, seventy eight and one half (78.5) acres of handpile, cover, burn and mop-up of handpiles, forty three thousand one hundred eighty five (43,185) feet of fire line construction, and two hundred sixty four and one half (264.5) acres of underburning.

OPTIONAL CONTRIBUTION - The purchaser will have the option of performing certain slash disposal requirements or contributing ninety five thousand three hundred fifty six and 5/100 (\$95,356.05) in lieu thereof. The option must be declared upon execution of the contract. The optional contribution must be paid in installments payable in the same manner as and together with payments required in Section 3 of the contract.

CONTRACT TERMINATION - A 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 comply with the Endangered Species Act, or comply with a court order. 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.

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. In cable yard and hand felled ground based harvest units shown on Exhibit A, all trees designated for cutting shall be felled and whole tree yarded or yarded with tops attached except when excessive stand damage occurs as determined by the Authorized Officer.
3. A harvester, feller-processor, or feller-buncher with purpose built carriers with boommounted felling heads and a boom with a minimum lateral reach of twenty (20) feet may be used in the ground based portion of harvest units. Mechanized equipment as stated above with self-leveling cabs may

be used on slopes up to 50%, as approved by the Authorized Officer. See the Clean Slate Special Provisions for full ground based harvesting restrictions.

4. Cable corridors that are hydrologically connected; or are perpendicular to and within one hundred eighty five (185) feet of streams shown on Exhibit A shall be water-barred and shall have slash placed over them prior to winter rain events to protect water quality.
5. Temporary routes constructed or reconstructed and all skid trails and landings within two hundred (200) feet of streams shall be discontinuously sub-soiled with winged ripper, seeded, water-barred, mulched, and blocked prior to October 15th during dry soil conditions upon completion of current harvest and slash disposal treatments.
6. Work activities that produce noise above ambient levels that may disturb Northern Spotted Owls would not occur within Harvest Units 3-9, 3-10, 3-11, 13-3, 13-4, 21-8, 21-12, 22-5, 23-3, and 23-4 from March 1 to June 30 both days inclusive. This restriction would be waived if surveys show nesting and/or fledging is not occurring during the time of harvest.
7. Work activities that produce noise above ambient levels that may disturb Bald Eagles would not occur within Harvest Units 13-3, 13-4 and 17-2 from February 1 to August 15 both days inclusive. This restriction would be waived if surveys show nesting and/or fledging is not occurring during the time of harvest.
8. The purchaser will have the option of performing certain slash disposal requirements or contributing ninety five thousand three hundred fifty six and 5/100 (\$95,356.05) in lieu thereof. The option must be declared upon execution of the contract. The optional contribution must be paid in installments payable in the same manner as and together with payments required in Section 3 of the contract.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF HOW TO GET TO THE TIMBER SALE AREA –

To access units 3-9, 3-10, 3-11, 9-5, 21-8, 21-12 and 22-5 : From Grants Pass, take Highway 199 south to Lakeshore Drive and turn left. Take Lakeshore Drive approximately 4 miles to Thompson Creek Road and turn right. Immediately turn right on the 38-7-17.0 road. Unit 17-2 will be on the right. A BLM key is required to access this unit. Continue up Thompson Creek Road approximately 2 more miles and turn left on the 38-7-21.2 road. Unit 21-12 will be on the right. Turn right on the 38-7-21.3 road to access unit 22-5. Turn left on the 38-7-21.5 road and continue to the end of the road to access unit 21-8. Continue up Thompson Creek Road approximately 3 more miles to a large junction at the top. Turn left on the 39-7-9.1 road to access units 3-9, 3-10 and 3-11. To access unit 9-5, turn right on 39-7-9.2. Units are accessible via BLM roads.

To access units 13-3 and 13-4: From Grants Pass, take Highway 199 south to Lakeshore Drive and turn left. Take Lakeshore Drive approximately 2 miles and turn right on Reeves Creek Road. Drive south on Reeves Creek Road 1 mile and turn right at a gravel pullout on the 38-8-13.0 road. A BLM key is required to access these units.

To access units 23-3 and 23-4: From Grants Pass, take Highway 199 south to Lakeshore Drive and turn left. Take Lakeshore Drive approximately 2 miles and turn right on Reeves Creek Road. Drive south on Reeves Creek Road 3 miles and turn right on the 38-8-27.0 road. A BLM key is required to access these units.

To access unit 31-11: From Grants Pass, take Highway 199 south to Lakeshore Drive and turn left. Take Lakeshore Drive approximately 2 1/2 miles and turn right on McMullin Creek Road. Drive south approximately 3 miles and turn right on the 39-8-3.0 road. Continue approximately 1 mile and turn right on the 38-7-31.4 road. The unit will be on the left. A BLM key is required to access this unit.

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT - An environmental assessment DOI-BLM-OR-M070-2018-0002-EA 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 District Office.

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

DEPOSIT AND BID FOR **TIMBER***
 VEGETATIVE RESOURCE
(Other Than Timber)

LUMP SUM SALE

Name of Bidder
Tract Number ORM07-TS-2019.0008
Sale Name Clean Slate
Sale Notice (dated) December 7, 2018
BLM District Medford

<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Sealed Bid for Sealed Bid Sale	<input type="checkbox"/> Written Bid for Oral Auction Sale
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In response to the above dated Sale Notice, the required deposit and bid are hereby submitted for the purchase of designated timber/vegetative resource on the tracts specified above.

Required bid deposited is \$ **31,700.00** and is enclosed in the form of cash money order bank draft cashier's check certified check bid bond of corporate surety on approved list of the United States Treasury guaranteed remittance approved by the authorized officer.

IT IS AGREED That the bid deposit shall be retained by the United States as liquidated damages if the bid is accepted and the undersigned fails to execute and return the contract, together with any required performance bond and any required payment within 30 days after the contract is received by the successful bidder. It is understood that no bid for less than the appraised price on a unit basis per species will be considered. If the bid is rejected the deposit will be returned.

BID SCHEDULE – LUMP SUM SALE

NOTE: Bidders should carefully check computations in completing the Bid Schedule

BID SUBMITTED					ORAL BID MADE	
PRODUCT SPECIES	UNIT	ESTIMATED VOLUME OR QUANTITY	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL VALUE	UNIT PRICE	TOTAL VALUE
Douglas-fir	MBF	3,240	X	=	X	=
sugar pine	MBF	116	X\$42.00	=\$4,872.00	X	=
ponderosa pine	MBF	15	X\$38.40	=\$576.00	X	=
white fir	MBF	1	X\$37.20	=\$37.20	X	=
incense-cedar	MBF	1	X\$68.80	=\$68.80	X	=
Total		3,373	X	=	X	=
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TOTAL PURCHASE PRICE						

If sale contract is executed, undersigned is liable for total purchase price even though the quantity cut, removed, or designated for taking is more or less than the total estimated volume or quantity shown above. Undersigned certifies bid was arrived at by bidder or offeror independently, and was tendered without collusion with any other bidder or offeror. In submitting or confirming this bid, undersigned agrees to the foregoing provisions, applicable regulations, and certifies that he is authorized to act as, or on behalf of, the bidder.

Bid submitted on (date)

(Check appropriate box, sign in ink, and complete the following)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Signature, if firm is individually owned	Name of firm (type or print)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Signatures, if firm is a partnership or L.L.C.	Business address, include zip code (type or print)
<input type="checkbox"/>	Corporation organized under the state laws of	(To be completed following oral bidding)
	Signature of Authorized Corporate Signing Officer	I HEREBY confirm the above oral bid By (signature)
	Title	Date
Submit bid, in <i>duplicate</i> , to qualify for either an oral auction or sealed bid sale together with the required bid deposit made payable to the Department of the Interior – BLM. Oral Auction – Submit to Sales Supervisor prior to closing of qualifying period for tract.		Sealed Bid – Send to District Manager, who issued the sale notice, in a sealed envelope marked on the outside: (1) “Bid for Timber” (2) Vegetative Resource Other Than Timber (3) Time bids are to be opened (4) Legal description

NOTICE

The Privacy Act of 1974 and the regulation in 43 CFR 2.48(d) provide that you be furnished the following information in connection with information required by this application.

AUTHORITY: 38 FR 6280 and 43 CFR 5442.1

PURPOSE: To qualify an oral auction bidder, and then if successful, to bind bidder to certain contract conditions.

ROUTINE USE: To determine that an individual is qualified to participate in oral auction bidding, and, as surety that bidder will fulfill contract requirements.

EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION: Filing this deposit and bid information is necessary only when an individual wishes to participate in a sealed or auction bid sale for timber or vegetative resources.

INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS

1. **AUTHORITY** – Timber located on the revested Oregon and California Railroad Grant Lands and on the reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Lands is administered and sold pursuant to authority of the Act of August 28, 1937 (50 Stat. 874; 43 U.S.C. 1181a); timber located on other lands and other vegetative resources on all public lands of the United States under jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management are administered and sold pursuant to authority of the Act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 681), as amended, by the Act of July 23, 1955 (69 Stat. 367; 30 U.S.C. 601 et. seq.). Regulations of the Secretary of the Interior governing sale of timber are codified in 43 CFR Group 5400.
2. **QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS** – A bidder for sale of timber/vegetative resources must be either (a) a citizen of the United States, (b) a partnership composed wholly of such citizens, (c) an unincorporated association composed wholly of such citizens, or (d) a corporation authorized to transact business in the State in which the timber/vegetative resource is located.
3. **INSPECTION OF TIMBER/VEGETATIVE RESOURCES** – Bidder is invited, urged, and cautioned to inspect the timber/vegetative resource prior to submitting a bid. By executing the timber/vegetative resource sale contract, bidder warrants that the contract is accepted on the basis of his examination and inspection of the timber/vegetative resource and his opinion of its value.
4. **DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTY** – Government expressly disclaims any warranty of the fitness of the designated timber/vegetative resource for any purpose of the bidder; all timber/vegetative resources are to be sold “As Is” without any warranty of merchantability by Government. Any warranty as to the quantity or quality of timber/vegetative resource to be sold is expressly disclaimed by Government.
5. **BIDS** – Sealed or written bids for not less than the advertised appraised price, per timber/vegetative resource must be submitted in duplicate to the District Manager who issued *Timber/Vegetative Resource Sale Notice*.
 - (a) **Sealed Bid Sales** – Bids will be received until time for opening which is set out in the Notice. Enclose both copies of bid with required bid deposit in a sealed envelope marked on the outside *Bid for Timber/Vegetative Resource*, time bid is to be opened, tract number, and legal description of land on which timber/vegetative resource is located. In event of a tie, the high bidder shall be determined by lot from among those who submitted the tie bids.
 - (b) **Auction Sales** – Submission of the required bid deposit and a written bid is required to qualify for oral bidding. Oral bidding shall begin from the highest written bid. No oral bid will be considered which is not higher than the preceding bid. In the event there is a tie in high written bids, and no oral bidding occurs, the bidder who was the first to submit his bid deposit and written bid shall be declared the high bidder. If the officer conducting the sale cannot determine who made the first submission of high tie written bids, the high bidder shall be determined by lot. High bidder must confirm his bid, in writing, immediately upon being declared high bidder.
 - (c) Except as otherwise provided in 43 CFR 5442.2, bids will not be considered in resale of timber/vegetative resource remaining from an uncompleted contract from any person or affiliate of such person who failed to complete the original contract because of (1) cancellation for the purchaser’s breach or (2) through failure to complete payment by expiration date.
 - (d) When it is in the interest of the Government to do so, it may reject any and all bids and may waive minor deficiencies in bids or in sale advertisement.
6. **BID FORMS** – All sealed, written bids, and confirmation of oral bids shall be submitted on forms provided by Government.
 - (a) **Lump Sum Sales** – Bids shall specify (1) Bureau of Land Management estimated volume, (2) price per unit, and (3) total purchase price. Estimated volume and price per unit are to be used for administrative and appraisal purposes only. Upon award of contract, high bidder shall be liable for total purchase price, including any adjustment which may be made as a result of reappraisal if an extension of time is granted, even though quantity of timber/vegetative resource actually cut, removed, or designated for taking is more or less than the estimated volume or quantity listed.
 - (b) **Timber Scale Sales** – Bids must state price per thousand board feet that will be paid for each species. High bidder will be determined by multiplying bid price per thousand board feet per species by Bureau of Land Management estimate of volume of each species. Purchaser shall be liable for purchase price of all merchantable timber sold under contract even though all such timber is not actually cut **Applies to Timber Only*
- and removed prior to expiration of time for cutting and removal as specified in contract.*
7. **BID DEPOSIT** – All bidders must make a deposit of not less than the amount specified in the *Timber/Vegetative Resource Notice*. Deposit may be in the form of cash, money orders, bank drafts, cashiers or certified checks made payable to the Department of the Interior – BLM, bid bonds of a corporate surety shown on the approved list of the United States Treasury Department*, or any approved guaranteed remittance approved by the Authorized Officer. Upon conclusion of bidding, the bid deposit of all bidders, except high bidder, will be returned. The cash deposit of the successful bidder may be applied toward the required sale deposit and/or the purchase price. Cash not applied to the sale deposit or the purchase price, or a corporate surety bid bond, will be returned at the time the contract is signed by the Government.
8. **AWARD OF CONTRACT** – Government may require high bidder to furnish such information as is necessary to determine the ability of bidder to perform the obligation of contract. Contract will be awarded to high bidder, unless he is not qualified or responsible or unless all bids are rejected. If high bidder is not qualified or responsible or fails to sign and return the contract together with required performance bond and any required payment, contract may be offered and awarded to the highest bidders qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract.
9. **TIMBER/VEGETATIVE RESOURCE SALE CONTRACT** – To be executed by purchaser, has been prepared by Government, and may be examined in the District Manager’s office.
10. **PERFORMANCE BOND** –
 - (a) A performance bond in an amount of not less than 20 percent of total purchase price is required, but the amount of the bond shall not be in excess of \$500,000, except when the purchaser opts to increase the minimum bond to permit cutting prior to payment as provided in 43 CFR 5451.2, or in the event the purchaser is a holder of an unresolved default the bond may be increased as provided in 43 CFR 5450.1(b). Performance bond may be (1) bond of a corporate surety shown on approved list issued by the United States Treasury Department and executed on an approved standard form, (2) personal surety bond executed on an approved standard form if Government determines principals and bondsman are capable of carrying out the terms of the contract, (3) cash bonds, (4) negotiable securities of the United States, or (5) any guaranteed remittance approved by the Authorized Officer.
 - (b) If purchaser elects to cut timber without skidding or yarding it to a loading point or removing it prior to the payment of the second or subsequent installments, Government shall require an increase in amount of performance bond initially required by an amount equal to the value of timber to be cut. Such increase must be on a bond rider form supplied by Government and be approved, in writing, by Government prior to cutting timber covered by the bond increase. This increased amount of bond shall be used to assure payment for timber cut in advance of payment.*
11. **PAYMENT BOND** – If purchaser elects to (a) cut and remove timber, or (b) remove timber already cut which has been secured by an increased performance bond as provided in paragraph 10(b) above, before payment of the second or subsequent installments, Government shall require a payment bond on a form supplied by Government. Purchaser shall obtain written approval from Government of payment bond prior to cutting and/or removal of timber covered by the bond. Payment bond shall be used to assure payment for timber cut and/or removed in advance of payment.*
12. **PAYMENT OF PURCHASE PRICE** – For sales of \$500 or more, Government may allow payment by installments. Except as discussed in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, no part of any timber/vegetative resource sold may be severed, cut, or removed unless advance payment has been made as provided in contract.
13. **LIQUIDATED DAMAGES** – Within thirty (30) days from receipt of *Timber/Vegetative Resource Sale Contract*, the successful bidder shall sign contract and re-turn it to Government, together with required bond and any required payment. If successful bidder fails to comply within the stipulated time, his bid deposit shall be retained by Government as liquidated damages.
14. **NINETY-DAY SALES** – If no bid is received within time specified in the advertisement of sale and if Government determines that there has been no significant rise in the market value of timber/vegetative resource, it may, in its discretion, keep the sale open, not to exceed ninety (90) days.

15. *UNAUTHORIZED USE OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY*– A sale may be refused to high bidder who has been notified that he has failed to make satisfactory arrangements for payment of damages resulting from unauthorized use of, or injury to, property of the United States.

16. *EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE*– This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, which sets forth the nondiscrimination clauses. Copies of this order may be obtained from the District Manager. 43 CFR 60-1.7(b) requires that the Equal Opportunity *Compliance Report Certification* will be completed by prospective contractors. Certification may be obtained from District Manager.

17. *LOG EXPORT*– All timber offered for sale except as noted in the *Timber Sale Notice* is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and cannot be used as a substitute for exported private timber. For the purpose of this contract, unprocessed timber is defined as: (1) any logs except those of utility grade or below, such as sawlogs, peeler logs, and pulp logs; (2) cants or squares to be subsequently remanufactured exceeding eight and three quarters (8-3/4) inches in thickness; (3) split or round bolts or other roundwood not processed to standards and specifications suitable for end product use; or (4) western

red cedar lumber which does not meet lumber of American Lumber Standards Grades of Number 3 dimension or better, or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau R-List Grades of Number 3 common or better. Timber manufactured into the following will be considered processed: (1) lumber and construction timbers, regardless of size, manufactured to standards and specifications suitable for end product uses; (2) chips, pulp and pulp products; (3) green or dry veneer and plywood; (4) poles and piling cut or treated for use as such; (5) cants, squares, and lumber cut for remanufacture of eight and three quarters (8-3/4) inches in thickness or less; or (6) shakes and shingles. In event purchaser wishes to sell any or all of timber restricted from export in the form of unprocessed timber, the buyer, exchanges, or recipient shall be required to comply with contractual provisions relating to “*unprocessed timber*”. Special reporting, branding and painting of logs may be included in contract provisions.*

18. *DETAILED INFORMATION*– Detailed information concerning contract provisions, bid, performance bond forms, tract location maps, and access conditions may be obtained from the District Manager. All persons interested in bidding on the products listed are encouraged to familiarize themselves with all such detailed information.