This advertisement includes: Tract 1 - Slow Lane CT & DM Tract 2 - Top Cat CT

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UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
777 NW Garden Valley Blvd.
Roseburg, Oregon 97470

Date: June 24, 2008

TIMBER SALE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management 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, attached. Written and oral bids will be received by the District Manager, or his representative, at 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97470. The timber sale will commence at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, July 22, 2008.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT was 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 Roseburg District Office.

THIS TIMBER SALE NOTICE does <u>not</u> constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal of a forest management decision. Consistent with 43 CFR Subpart 5003-Administrative Remedies, the notice of a timber sale, when published as a legal ad in a newspaper of general circulation, shall constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal. Protests may be filed with the Contracting Officer within 15 days after the first publication of the aforementioned decision document in the newspaper. It is anticipated that the decision document will be published in *The News Review* newspaper on or about June 24, 2008. BLM does not warrant publication on this exact date. All parties considering protest of the timber sale decision document are encouraged to review the aforementioned newspaper to ensure accurate knowledge of the exact publication date.

A WRITTEN BID on Form No. 5440-9 at no 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. Since bidding on minor species usually has little effect on the final outcome of a sale and can be disruptive to the bidding process, BLM will accept bids over appraised price for Douglas-fir only.

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

FOR SET-ASIDE TRACTS, the bidder must not have been determined by the Small Business Administration to be ineligible for preferential award of set-aside sales and must accompany his deposit with a self-certification statement that he is qualified as a small business concern as defined by the Small Business Administration in its regulations, Title 13, Chapter I, Part 121 as amended, of the Code of Federal Regulations. Form No. 5430-1, Self Certification Statement, and SBA Form 723, Small Business Certification Required on All Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber, are attached hereto.

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

- 1. Form No. 1140-6, Independent Price Determination Certificate, 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 No. 1140-7, Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Program Representation, for all contracts over \$10,000.
- 3. Form No. 1140-8, Equal Opportunity Compliance Report Certification.
- 4. Form No. 5430-1 Self Certification Clause
- 5. Form No. 5450-17, Export Determination.
- 6. SBA Form 723, Small Business Certification Required on All Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber

PRE-AWARD QUALIFICATIONS. The high 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, responsible or refuses to respond within fifteen (15) 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.

A PERFORMANCE BOND in an amount not less than twenty (20) percent of the total purchase price will be required for all contracts of \$2,500 or more, but the amount of the bond shall not be in excess of \$500,000, 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 will be required for all installment contracts less than \$2,500.

LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION. All timber sales 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 5420, as amended.

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

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. The volumes based on 32-foot taper breaks are shown for comparison purposes. 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 or more. Required installments will be determined by BLM. For sales under \$500,000, installments will not be less than ten (10) percent of the total purchase price. For sales of \$500,000 or more, installment payments shall be \$50,000.

SBA SET-ASIDE SALE

Sale Date: July 22, 2008

(1) Roseburg Sale No. 08-13 Sale Name: Slow Lane CT & DM Douglas County, Oregon: O&C: Oral Auction Bid Deposit Required: \$11,700.00

All timber designated for cutting on:

S½SE¼ Sec. 15 T. 23 S., R. 4 W., W.M. NE¼, N½NW¼, SE¼NW¼, NE¼SW¼, SE½ Sec. 23 T. 23 S., R. 4 W., W.M.

	Est.	Est.		Est.		
Approx.	Vol.	Vol.		Vol.		Est. Volume
Number	MBF	С		MBF	Appraised	Times
Merch.	32'	Cu.		16'	Price	Appraised
Trees	Log	Ft.	Species	Log	Per MBF	Price
14,049	1,328	3,141	Douglas-fir	1,544	\$ 65.10	\$100,514.40
819	148	337	Grand Fir	179	\$ 31.20	\$ 5,584.80
295	26	64	Western Hemlock	33	\$ 28.90	\$ 953.70
152	11	29	Incense-cedar	14	\$392.30	\$ 5,492.20
89	7	20	Western Redcedar	9	\$385.50	\$ 3,469.50
15,404	1,520	3,591	_	1,779		\$116,014.60

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CRUISE INFORMATION

3P (Volume Table Cruise)

The Douglas-fir and Grand Fir have been cruised using the 3P system to select sample trees. The sample trees have been cruised and their volume computed on form class tables for estimating volume in 16-foot lengths. The sample tree volumes were expanded to a total sale volume.

The volume of all other species has been determined by individual tree measurements using a 100% cruise.

With respect to merchantable trees of all species: the average tree to be harvested is 12.7" D.B.H.O.B., the average log contains 37 bd. ft., the total gross volume is approximately 1,893 M bd. ft. (MBF) and 94 percent recovery is expected.

<u>CUTTING AREA</u>: An area of approximately 128 acres in 3 units are to be thinned and 1 acre of right-of-way must be clearcut.

TIMBER ACREAGE: Area 1: 24 Acres Area 3: 73 Acres

Area 2: 31 Acres R/W: 1 Acre

ACCESS: Access to the sale area is provided by Government and privately controlled roads.

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<u>DIRECTIONS TO SALE AREA</u>: To reach the sale areas in Sections 15 and 23 of T. 23 S., R. 4 W., W.M., go north from Roseburg on Interstate-5 to Exit 154. Exit Interstate-5 and proceed southeast on County Road 7 (Elkhead Rd.) approximately 5½ (5.5) miles and turn left on County Road 8 (Scotts Valley Rd.). Proceed northeast approximately 1¾ (1.75) miles and turn right on BLM road No. 23-4-15.1 and follow the Exhibit D map to the sale area.

<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u>: Maintenance and rockwear fees of \$4,267.78 will be required to be paid to the BLM.

<u>ROAD CONSTRUCTION</u>: Estimates include the following: construct 18+40 stations of 14-foot subgrade, unsurfaced road and approximately 2+85 stations of 15-foot subgrade rocked road.

<u>DURATION OF CONTRACT</u> will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber. The contract will contain SPECIAL PROVISIONS regarding: logging; environmental protection; road construction, maintenance and use; fire prevention and control; slash disposal and site preparation; log exports; and non-segregated facilities. Log scaling may be required under the terms of this contract.

NOTES:

 A Special Provision is included in the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend or terminate the contract in order to: (1) comply with the Endangered Species Act; (2) comply with a court order; (3) comply with BLM Manual 6840 as it relates to Federal proposed, Federal candidate, Bureau sensitive, or State listed species or habitat; or (4) protect raptor nests during nesting.

This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual Out-of-Pocket Expenses incurred by the Purchaser which have not been amortized by the removal of timber from the contract area. In the event that operating time is lost as a result of the incorporation of additional contract requirements or suspension-related delays, an extension of time, with or without reappraisal depending on the reason for the suspension, will constitute a full and complete remedy for any claim that delays due to the suspension hindered performance of the contract or resulted in damages of any kind to the Purchaser. In the event of a suspension that lasts longer than 30 days, the First Installment may be reduced and/or the unamortized Out-of-Pocket Expenses of road or other construction may be refunded or transferred to another contract at the election of the Purchaser.

- 2. Seasonal restrictions on operations apply (see attached Seasonal Restriction Matrix).
- 4. This one hundred twenty-nine (129) acre commercial thinning sale contains the following areas: approximately ninety-two (92) acres of cable yarding and thirty-seven (37) acres of ground-based yarding of which one (1) acre is right-of-way cutting. Yarding areas are shown on Exhibit A. Timber haul routes are shown on Exhibit D.
- 5. Yarding of log lengths greater than forty-two (42) feet will not be permitted.
- 6. The Authorized Officer will need to be advised when any retention trees are damaged during falling or yarding operations, or when retention trees need to be cut for yarding corridors or safety purposes.

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- 7. Directional falling away from or parallel to property lines, unit boundaries, roads, retention trees and snags will be required. Directional falling away from or parallel to reserve areas and riparian buffers will be required for all trees cut within 100 feet of these areas.
- 8. In the cable yarding areas, a skyline logging system with lateral yarding and multi-span capability will be required. One-end suspension of logs will be required. Cable yarding will not be permitted in or through reserve areas or riparian buffers.
- 9. A harvester/forwarder system, tractor, rubber-tired skidder, or track-mounted log loader may be used in the areas designated for ground-based yarding. Ground-based yarding is generally permitted between May 15 and October 15, both days inclusive. Minor and incidental ground-based yarding may be permitted in limited portions of the cable yarding areas; ground-based yarding seasonal restrictions apply, and the locations involved and equipment used must be approved by the Authorized Officer.
- 10. Approximately 18+40 stations of 14-foot subgrade, unsurfaced road and approximately 2+85 stations of 15-foot subgrade, rocked road will be constructed. Unsurfaced roads used for more than a single season or which must over-winter prior to decommissioning will be winterized in accordance with Exhibit C.
- 11. All equipment used in road construction and/or yarding operations will be cleaned and inspected for noxious weed seed prior to move-in on BLM lands.
- 12. A license agreement with Roseburg Resources Company is required for road construction and log haul upon their roads.
- 13. Slash disposal and site preparation requirements consist of the following: piling and covering slash and debris within a fifty (50) foot radius of landings and other locations designated by the Authorized Officer.
- 14. This contract contains provisions for the sale and removal of additional timber necessary to facilitate safe and efficient Purchaser operations. This authority extends to the timber necessary to clear cable yarding roads and/or skid roads; providing tailhold, tieback, and guyline trees; and removing danger trees. The timber may be immediately cut and removed when the trees have been marked in a manner determined by the Authorized Officer. Payment for such additional timber shall be executed through a unilateral modification of the timber sale contract. The volume of the timber will be determined by the Authorized Officer in accordance with Bureau of Land Management prescribed procedures. It is estimated that approximately 90 MBF of such additional timber would be removed under the contract, but is not included in the advertised sale volume.

Additional timber shall be sold at the unit prices shown in Exhibit B of this contract unless: timber value must be reappraised subject to the terms for contract extension set forth in Sec. 9 of the contract; or the Authorized Officer determines that the timber should be appraised and sold at fair market value in accordance with Sec. 8 of the contract because the species, size, grade and/or value of the additional timber is not representative of the character of the timber in the forest stand(s) otherwise designated for thinning.

15. This contract contains provisions for sub-soiling of ground based skid trails. The Purchaser shall have the option of completing this work or making contributions to the Government in lieu thereof. The Purchaser shall notify the Authorized Officer of their intention to make these contributions upon execution of the contract.

Seasonal Restriction Matrix

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Seasonal Restrictions^{1 & 2} are Black-Stippled.

Sale Units		J	an	F	'eb	N.	[ar	\mathbf{A}	pr	M	ay	Ju	ine	Jı	uly		Aug	3	S	ept	C	Oct	N	ov	D	ec
	Activity	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	16	1	15	1	16	1	6	15	1	16	1	15	1	15	1	15
1, 2, 3	Ground-based yarding ^{1, 2}																									
1, 2, 3	Right-of-way logging and clearing ²																									
1, 2, 3	Cable yarding on unsurfaced roads ^{1, 2}																									
1, 2, 3	Loading or hauling on unsurfaced road ²																									
1, 2, 3	Falling and bucking ¹																									
1, 2, 3	All Operations, except hauling, within 65 yds. of active spotted owl nest ³																									

¹ Bark slip seasonal restriction from April 15 to July 15 may be conditionally waived.

² Wet season restrictions from October 15 to May 15 may be shortened or extended depending on soil moisture and weather conditions.

³ The Purchaser shall notify the Authorized Officer in writing by February 1 of each calendar year in which operations are expected to take place on the contract area between March 1 and September 30, both days inclusive. If it is determined that spotted owls are not nesting or that no young have been produced, the Authorized Officer may lift the seasonal restriction on such operations in writing. Without this written approval, such operations are prohibited from March 1 through September 30 of each calendar year.

SBA SET-ASIDE SALE

Sale Date: July 22, 2008

(2) Roseburg Sale No. 08-17 Sale Name: Top Cat Commercial Thinning

Douglas County, Oregon: O&C: Oral Auction Bid Deposit Required: \$7,100.00

All timber designated for cutting on: NE¼, SE¼NW¼, Section 13 T. 29 S., R. 9 W., Willamette Meridian

	Est.	Est.		Est.		
Approx.	Vol.	Vol.		Vol.		Est. Volume
Number	MBF	С		MBF	Appraised	Times
Merch.	32'	Cu.		16'	Price	Appraised
Trees	Log	Ft.	Species	Log	Per MBF	Price
3,095	222	504	Douglas-fir	263	\$154.80	\$40,712.40
1,559	241	546	Grand Fir	302	\$ 92.40	\$27,904.80
86	3	9	Incense-cedar	4	\$463.00	\$ 1,852.00
11	1	2	Western Hemlock	1	\$143.90	\$ 143.90
4,751	467	1,061	_	570		\$70,613.10

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The volume of all other species has been determined by individual tree measurements using a 100% cruise.

With respect to merchantable trees of all species: the average tree to be harvested is 11.5" D.B.H.O.B., the average log contains 39 bd. ft., the total gross volume is approximately 593 M bd. ft. (MBF) and 96% recovery is expected. Approximately 0% percent of the above volume is salvage material.

CUTTING AREA: An area of approximately 44 acres are to be partially cut.

TIMBER ACREAGE: Area 1: 14 Acres Area 2: 30 Acres

ACCESS: Access to the sale area is provided by Government controlled roads.

Roseburg Sale No. 08-17 Sale Date: July 22, 2008 Top Cat Commercial Thinning

<u>DIRECTIONS TO SALE AREA</u>: From Winston take State Highway 42 west approximately 15.5 miles to its junction with Douglas County Road No. 128 (Upper Camas Road). Turn right on County Road No. 128 and proceed approximately 2.6 miles on Upper Camas Road to its junction with the Wildcat Creek Road (DC 132). Turn left on DC 132 and follow it approximately 1.2 miles to its junction with BLM Road No. 29-9-12.1. Turn left on BLM Road No. 29-9-12.1 and proceed approximately six tenths (0.6) of a mile to its junction with BLM Road No. 29-9-13.0. At this point you are within the Contract Area. Refer to timber sale Exhibits A & C for further details.

<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u>: Maintenance and rockwear fees of \$678.08 will be required to be paid to the BLM.

<u>DURATION OF CONTRACT</u> will be 4 months for cutting and removal of timber. The contract will contain SPECIAL PROVISIONS regarding: logging; environmental protection; road maintenance; fire protection; slash disposal; log exports; and non-segregated facilities.

NOTES:

- 1. A Special Provision is included in the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend the contract to facilitate protection of a certain plant or animal species, and/or to modify or terminate the contract when necessary to comply with the Endangered Species Act or a court order. This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser which may not have been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.
- 2. This contract contains provisions for the sale and removal of additional timber necessary to facilitate safe and efficient Purchaser operations. These provisions include: (1.) The designation and sale of additional timber, such as hazard trees and trees in forwarder trails, at contract price, as necessary to facilitate safe and efficient logging. Such trees may be felled and removed when they are painted by the Authorized Officer; (2.) Sale of additional timber volume at current fair market value where the species and/or size of trees are not representative of the forest stand(s) being thinned; (3.) Government reservation of trees previously marked for cutting (replacement) when the Authorized Officer determines that it is necessary in order to maintain stand densities consistent with objectives set forth in management prescriptions; (4.) The use of unilateral modifications executed by BLM for such additional and replacement timber; (5.) Revocation of the Purchaser's right to cut additional timber if the Authorized Officer determines that trees have been cut and removed that were not previously marked and approved for cutting and removal by the Authorized Officer; and, (6.) It is estimated that approximately 20 MBF of such additional timber may be removed under the contract, but is not included in the advertised sale volume nor was it included in the timber sale appraisal. This estimate is a net figure reduced by the estimate of the volume of trees previously marked for cutting, which the Authorized Officer may elect to reserve.
- 3. This is a **four month** contract for the cutting and removal of timber.
- 4. The following marbled murrelet restrictions apply to this sale.
 - (a) No operations of any type are permitted on the contract area until after August 5.
 - (b) In addition, portions of both units will be subject to daily operating restrictions from August 6 to September 15. During this period, all operations shall be scheduled from two (2) hours after sunrise to two (2) hours before sunset. Refer to attached Exhibit "D" for unit specifics.

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- 5. A **harvester/forwarder system** is required to yard both units as identified on the Exhibit "A". All trees designated for cutting shall be felled, topped, limbed and cut into log lengths not to exceed twenty-one (21) feet before being yarded.
- 6. There are three designated forwarder trails that access portions of Harvest Area No. 2. These trails have been identified on the Exhibit "A". One forwarder trail crosses the western most portion of the riparian area and connects the two pieces of the unit. Yarding will be allowed across this riparian area as long as this forwarder trail is utilized.
- 7. Some hand falling of larger trees, and trees on steeper slopes will be required (approximately 2 acres).
- 8. To prevent the introduction of noxious weeds to the Contract Area, all logging equipment, except log trucks, must be steam cleaned or pressure washed prior to initial move-in or upon return to the sale area if used elsewhere.