

This advertisement includes:
(1) 2014.0004, Big Thunder 11,928 MBF

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
777 NW Garden Valley Blvd.
Roseburg, Oregon 97471

Date: May 27, 2014

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, attached. Written and oral bids will be received by the District Manager, or his representative, at 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97471. **The timber sale will commence at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, June 24, 2014.**

AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT 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 Roseburg District Office.

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 May 27, 2014.** 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. Oral bidding will be restricted to Douglas-fir.

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

1. Form No. 5450-17, Export Determination. 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, 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.”

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION concerning the 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 prospectus for this sale is also available online at:
<http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/roseburg/timbersales/index.php>

The prospectus includes maps and tables that cannot be made Section 508 compliant. For help with its data or information, please contact the Roseburg District Office at 541-440-4930.

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.

Attachments:

Form No. 5440-9 Deposit and Bid for Timber/Vegetative Resource

Sale Date: June 24, 2014

(1) Roseburg Sale No.: 2014.0004
Douglas County, Oregon: O&C & PD: Oral Auction

Sale Name: Big Thunder
Bid Deposit Required: \$150,500.00

All timber designated for cutting on:

Lots 8, 9, 14, 15, 16, 17, 21 & 22	Sec. 19,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
Lots 7, 8, 9, 10, 14 & 16	Sec. 20,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
NW¼NE¼, S½NE¼, N½NW¼, SE¼NW¼, S½	Sec. 29,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
Lot 4, NE¼NW¼, SE¼SW¼	Sec. 30,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
Lots 1, 2 & 3, NE¼, E½NW¼, NE¼ SW¼	Sec. 31,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian

Approx. Number	Est. Vol. MBF	Species	Est. Vol. MBF	Appraised Price Per MBF	Est. Volume Times Appraised Price
Merch. Trees	32' Log		16' Log		
46,655	6,558	Douglas-fir	8,209	\$149.20	\$1,224,782.80
7,207	1,295	Grand Fir	1,636	\$56.20	\$91,943.20
11,809	1,058	Western Hemlock	1,324	\$55.70	\$73,746.80
6,955	383	Western Redcedar	471	\$208.00	\$97,968.00
3,710	225	Incense-cedar	286	\$54.80	\$15,672.80
4	2	Sugar Pine	2	\$53.80	\$107.60
76,340	9,521		11,928		\$1,504,221.20

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.

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

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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.

CRUISE INFORMATION:

For Harvest Area 1 and all rights-of-ways: The Douglas-fir up to 22 inches D.B.H.O.B., Grand Fir, Western Hemlock and Incense-cedar 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. This volume is then expanded to a total sale volume. A map showing the location of these sample trees is available at the Roseburg District Office. The volume of Douglas-fir 24 inches D.B.H.O.B. and larger, Western Redcedar and Sugar Pine have been determined by individual tree measurements using a 100% cruise.

For Harvest Areas 2, 3, 4 and 5: the timber volumes for all tree species are based on a variable plot cruise, containing a total of 266 plots and 252 randomly selected sample trees. Plots were measured using a 20 basal area factor (BAF). A map showing the location of the plots and sample trees is available at the Roseburg District Office.

With respect to merchantable trees of all species: the average tree is 13.3 in. D.B.H.O.B., the average log contains 47 bd. ft., the total gross volume is approximately 12936 M bd. ft., and 92% recovery is expected.

CUTTING AREA: An area of approximately 652 acres in 5 units will be partially cut and rights-of-ways totaling approximately 5 acres will be clearcut.

<u>TIMBER ACREAGE:</u>	Area 1:	271 acres	Area 4:	31 acres
	Area 2:	264 acres	Area 5:	24 acres
	Area 3:	62 acres	R/W:	5 acres

ACCESS: Access to the sale area is provided by Government, County, and privately controlled roads. A road use fee of \$4,025.60 will be required to be paid to FIA Timber Growth Master, LLC.

DIRECTIONS TO SALE AREA: From Roseburg, proceed east on OR 138 (North Umpqua Highway) approximately 16.2 miles to the junction with County Road 17A (Little River Road). Then:

1. To reach Harvest Area 1 and portions of Harvest Areas 2 and 4, turn right onto County Road 17A (Little River Road) and proceed approximately 5.6 miles to the intersection with Road 26-3-34.2 (Thunder Mountain Road). Turn left onto Thunder Mountain Road and follow the Exhibit D map northeast approximately 5.2 miles to the sale area.
2. To reach Harvest Areas 3 and 5 and portions of Harvest Areas 2 and 4, proceed east on OR 138 (North Umpqua Highway) approximately 6.2 miles to the junction with Road 26-3-1.1 (Swiftwater Road) and follow the Exhibit D map southeast approximately 6.5 miles to the sale area.

ROAD MAINTENANCE: Rockwear and maintenance fees of \$47,107.01 will be required to be paid to the BLM; and rockwear and maintenance fees of \$66,270.82 will be required to be paid to Seneca Jones Timber Company, LLC.

ROAD CONSTRUCTION: Estimates include the following: construct 81+65 stations, renovate 705+65 stations, and decommission 206+25 stations of road. Additional information is available in Exhibit C and Exhibit D of the timber sale contract.

DURATION OF CONTRACT will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber. The contract will contain SPECIAL PROVISIONS regarding: logging; environmental protection; road construction, renovation, maintenance, and use; fire prevention; slash disposal; and log exports. Log scaling may be required under the terms of this contract.

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NOTES:

1. 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 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.
2. Seasonal restrictions on operations apply to this sale regarding road work, falling, bucking, yarding, loading, and hauling. Refer to Sections 42(A)(6)(b), 42(A)(7)(b), 42(A)(11-13), 42(D)(2), and Exhibit F for details. A "seasonal restriction matrix" is included with this prospectus to serve as a guide in planning and scheduling operations for each harvest unit.
3. License agreements with FIA Timber Growth Master, LLC, and Seneca Jones Timber Company, LLC. are required. The terms and conditions of each license agreement are available for inspection at the Roseburg District Office.
4. This contract contains provisions for the sale and removal of additional timber necessary to facilitate safe and efficient Purchaser operations. It is estimated that approximately 596 MBF of such additional timber would be removed under the contract, but is not included in the advertised sale volume.
5. Slash disposal requirements consist of the following: machine piling, covering and burning slash and debris within a fifty (50) foot radius of landings (approximately 200 landings); and hand piling, covering and burning slash and debris within two hundred (200) feet either side of the ridge top in Harvest Areas 1 and 2, and within fifty (50) feet each side of designated roads in Harvest Areas 1, 2 and 3 (approximately 85 acres). The Purchaser will have the option to assist in burning or to make a contribution to the Bureau of Land Management in lieu thereof. Refer to Section 42(F), Section 42(G) and Exhibit E for details.
6. This contract contains provisions for subsoiling approximately 5 miles of skid trails, landings and other areas of soil compaction associated with the Purchaser's operations. Refer to Section 42(C)(4) for details.
7. Portions of Harvest Area 1 were marked for thinning approximately 10 years ago, but the thinning was never implemented. The silvicultural prescription has been revised for this sale. Harvest Area 1 contains approximately 29,167 trees designated for cutting under the current thinning prescription. The trees in Harvest Area 1 which are reserved from cutting are those marked with fresh orange paint above and below stump height in 2014. Refer to Section 41 for details regarding timber reserved from cutting.
8. As appraised, approximately 51% of the sale area is available for wet season operations, including portions of Harvest Areas 1 (135 acres), 2 (127 acres), 3 (39 acres), 4 (9 acres) and 5 (22 acres). Wet season operations may be maximized at the Purchaser's expense by:
 - Cable yarding portions of Harvest Areas 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5 to the rocked roads, instead of ground-based yarding (approximately 112 additional acres);
 - Adding rock to Road 26-2-31.5 Segment A (portion) and Spurs 20 & 23 as necessary for wet season haul to cable yard a portion of Harvest Area 1, instead of ground-based yarding (approximately 45 additional acres);
 - In order to maximize wet season operations, the Authorized Officer must approve the logging plan and a contract modification may be required.

Note: This matrix is intended to serve prospective purchasers as a guide only.

Seasonal restrictions are cross-hatched.



Refer to the contract Special Provisions for a full statement of the seasonal operating restrictions.

Harvest Area	Activity	Jan		Feb		Mar		Apr		May		June		July		Aug			Sept		Oct		Nov		Dec	
		1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	16	1	15	1	16	1	5	16	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15
1 Cable/ Ground	Right-of-way logging and clearing, road construction, renovation ¹	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Falling and bucking ²	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Ground-based yarding ^{2,3}	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Cable yarding on rocked roads ²	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Cable yarding on unsurfaced roads ^{1,2}	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Loading or hauling on unsurfaced roads ¹	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
2 Cable/ Ground	Right-of-way logging and clearing, road construction, renovation ¹	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Falling and bucking ²	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
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	Cable yarding on rocked roads ²	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Cable yarding on unsurfaced roads ^{1,2}	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Loading or hauling on unsurfaced roads ¹	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
3 Cable/ Ground	Right-of-way logging and clearing, road construction, renovation ¹	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Falling and bucking ²	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Ground-based yarding ^{2,3}	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Cable yarding on rocked roads ²	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Cable yarding on unsurfaced roads ^{1,2}	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	
	Loading or hauling on unsurfaced roads ¹	X		X		X		X		X		X		X			X		X		X		X		X	

¹ Wet season restriction: unsurfaced roads and all road construction (October 15 – May 15) may be shortened or extended depending on weather conditions.

² Bark slip seasonal restriction (April 15 – July 15) may be conditionally waived.

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4 Cable/ Ground	Right-of-way logging and clearing, road construction, renovation ¹	X		X		X		X														X		X		X	
	Falling and bucking ²									X		X															
	Ground-based yarding ^{2,3}	X		X		X		X		X		X										X		X		X	
	Cable yarding on rocked roads ^{2,4}					X		X		X		X															
	Loading or hauling on unsurfaced roads ¹	X		X		X		X														X		X		X	
	All operations within NSO restricted area as shown on Exhibit F ⁴					X		X		X		X															
5 Cable	Right-of-way logging and clearing, road construction, renovation ¹	X		X		X		X														X		X		X	
	Falling and bucking ²									X		X															
	Ground-based yarding ^{2,3}	X		X		X		X		X		X										X		X		X	
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