This Advertisement Includes: Parcel 1 – Briar Creek

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT District Office 1717 Fabry Road, S.E. Salem, Oregon 97306

Date: November 15, 2013

### TIMBER SALE NOTICE

#### SEALED BID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management will offer for sale timber as described herein for sealed bid, 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. Sealed bids will be received by the District Manager, or her representative, at the Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Road, S.E., Salem, Oregon until 9:00 a.m., Wednesday, December 18, 2013. Sealed bids will be opened at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, December 18, 2013.

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 sealed bidding.

TO QUALIFY FOR PARTICIPATION in a sealed bid sale, the bidder must submit a bid in a sealed envelope for each tract offered that includes:

- 1. Two copies of the bid written on Form 5440-9, Deposit and Bid For Timber/Vegetative Resources. No bid for less than the advertised appraised price on a unit basis per species and total price can be considered.
- 2. The required minimum bid deposit specified in the timber sale notice for the tract.
- 3. A properly executed Independent Price Determination Certificate, Form 5430-11. 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.
- 4. A completed Form 5450-17, Export Determination.

# 5. The sealed envelope must be clearly marked that it is a "Bid for Timber" together with the sale name and number, the legal description and time and date of sale.

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 of the publication of the aforementioned decision document in the newspaper. It is anticipated that the decision document will be published in the Corvallis Gazette-Times on or about November 20, 2013. 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(s) to ensure accurate knowledge of the exact publication date.

A CATERGORICAL EXCLUSION was prepared for the timber sale tract, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. These documents are available for inspection as background for each timber sale tract at the Salem District Office.

THE VOLUMES LISTED herein are estimates only. The sale volumes listed are 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 advertised appraised price. The Purchaser shall be liable for the total purchase price, without regard to the amount bid per unit, even

though the quantity of timber actually cut or removed or designated for taking is more or less than the estimated volume or quantity so listed.

THIS TIMBER SALE has been cruised based upon Eastside Scribner board foot measure. The minimum bid figures shown by species are dollars per thousand board feet (MBF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.10 per MBF.

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 or more. A minimum performance bond of not less than \$500 will be required for all installment contracts less than \$2,500.

QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS concerns may apply to SBA 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 SBA and may be contingent on availability of funds. Applicants for such loans shall notify BLM of their intention to apply for a loan.

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.

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 5420, 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 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.

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 Salem 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.

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. <u>The prospectus for this/these sale(s) is also available online at: http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/timbersales/index.php.</u> The prospectus includes maps and tables that cannot be made Section 508 compliant. For help with its data or information, please contact the Salem District Office at 503-375-5646.

Attachments: Form 5430-11

Form 5440-9 Form 5450-17

## <u>TIMBER SALE NOTICE</u> This sale will be sold by sealed bid.

THIS IS A SMALL BUSINESS SET-ASIDE SALE FOR PREFERENTIAL BIDDING BY SMALL BUSINESS CONCERNS AS IDENTIFIED BY THE SMALL BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION.

SALE DATE: December 18, 2013

### SALEM DISTRICT MARYS PEAK RESOURCE AREA ALSEA-RICKREALL MASTER UNIT

CONTRACT NO. ORS05-TS-2014.0301, BRIAR CREEK TIMBER SALE

BENTON COUNTY, OREGON: O&C: SEALED BID: BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$40,600.00 All timber designated for cutting on NE 1/4, NW1/4, NE1/4 SW1/4, Section 32; NW1/4 NW1/4, Section 33, T. 14 S., R. 8 W., W.M.

**THIS TIMBER SALE HAS BEEN CRUISED BASED UPON EASTSIDE SCRIBNER MEASURE.** Minimum bid figures shown by species are dollars per thousand board feet (MBF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.10 per MBF.

Approx. No. Merchantable	Est. Vol. MBF	Species	Est. Vol. MBF	Appraised Price	Estimated Volume Times
Trees	32' Log	Species	16' Log	Price Per MBF	Appraised Price
	8				
6,206	1,622	Douglas-fir	1,983	\$197.10	\$390,849.30
1,967	105	red alder	133	\$108.10	\$14,377.30
129	4	big leaf maple	5	\$31.30	\$156.50
8,302	1,731	Totals	2,121		\$405,383.10

<u>CRUISE INFORMATION</u>: All species have been cruised using the 3P system to select sample trees. The sample trees have been cruised and the volume computed using the National Cruise Processing Program for estimating volume in 16-foot lengths and the volume expanded to a total sale volume. With respect to merchantable Douglas-fir trees; the average tree is 15.9 inches DBHOB; the average log contains 61 bd. ft.; the total gross volume is approximately 2,052 MBF; and 97% recovery is expected. Approximately 0% of the total sale volume is salvage material.

<u>CUTTING AREA</u>: Three units totaling approximately 53 acres are partial cut. The cutting area also includes approximately 1 acre of special mark and approximately 1 acre of right-of-way. Acres shown on Exhibit A have been computed using a Trimble GeoXT Global Positioning System receiver. Acreage was calculated based on Global Positioning System traverse procedures including differential correction.

<u>DURATION OF CONTRACT</u>: Will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber.

<u>LOCATION</u>: The Briar Creek Timber Sale is located approximately 7 air miles south-southwest of Alsea, Oregon off of the Van Horn Rd (14-8-24). Travel on the Deadwood Highway approximately 5 miles to the Van Horn Rd junction. Proceed west on the Van Horn Rd approximately 4 miles to the junction with Briar Creek Rd (14-8-29.1) to reach the project area. See general vicinity map for details.