

This Advertisement Includes:
Parcel 1 – Ruby 2

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

Date: May 28, 2014

**SEALED BID
TIMBER SALE NOTICE**

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. **Sealed bids will be received by the Salem District Manager, or her representative, at the Salem District Office, 1717 Fabry Road, S.E., Salem, Oregon until 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2014.** Sealed bids will be opened at 9:00 a.m. on Wednesday, June 25, 2014.

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 not 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 South County Spotlight on or about May 30, 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(s) to ensure accurate knowledge of the exact publication date.

AN ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT was prepared for each 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 Tillamook tracts are available at the Tillamook Resource Area Office.

FOR SBA SET-ASIDE TRACTS, the bidder must not have been determined by the Small Business Administration to be ineligible for preferential award for 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 (Revision 7) as amended, of the Code of Federal Regulations. The Form 5430-1 Self Certification Statement is attached hereto. The successful bidder will be required to sign SBA Form 723 "Small Business Certification Required on All Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber" at the time he signs the timber sale contract. Section 2(a) of Form 723 requires that successful bidders of SBA set-aside tracts must comply with delivery requirements pertaining to sawtimber volume. No more than 30% of the advertised sawtimber volume from a set-aside sale may be delivered for manufacturing to a business that is not a small business, as defined by the SBA (13 CFR 121.507 (a)). A copy of SBA Form 723 is attached.

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THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, as a condition of award, will be required to sign Form 5430-011, Independent Price Determination, which is 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. Form 5450-17, Export Determination, must be completed by the successful bidder. To expedite procedure, this form should be completed and submitted with the written bid.

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. The prospectus for this/these sale(s) is also available online at: <http://www.blm.gov/or/districts/salem/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 Salem District Office at 503-375-5646.

Attachments:

- Form 5430-11
- Form 5440-9
- Form 5450-17
- Form 5430-1
- SBA Form 723

TIMBER SALE NOTICE

SBA SET-ASIDE SALE

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

SALEM DISTRICT
TILLAMOOK FIELD OFFICE
COLUMBIA MASTER UNIT

Sale Date: June 25, 2014

CONTRACT NO.: ORS06-TS-2014.0102, Ruby 2 Timber Sale, Lump Sum
COLUMBIA COUNTY, OREGON: O&C: **SEALED BID**: BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$120,600.00

All timber designated for cutting on: N½, NW¼SW¼, Sec. 7, T. 3 N., R. 2 W., WM., Oregon.

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 Trees	Est. Vol. MBF 32' Log	Species	Est. Vol. MBF 16' Log	Appraised Price Per MBF	Estimated Volume Times Appraised Price
12,097	3,274	Douglas-fir	3,999	\$299.50	\$1,197,700.50
528	17	red alder	22	\$383.40	\$8,434.80
12,625	3,291	Totals	4,021		\$1,206,135.30

LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS: All timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and also prohibited from substitution of exported private timber.

CRUISE INFORMATION: The timber volumes for the partial cut units were based on a variable plot cruise for estimating the board foot volume of trees. Plots were measured using a 20 basal area factor (BAF) for partial cut units. None of the total sale volume is salvage material. For merchantable Douglas-fir trees the average DBHOB is 16.2 inches; the average gross merchantable log contains 65 bf; the total gross volume is approximately 4,146 MBF; and 96% recovery is expected. The Right-of-Way volume is based on a 3-P cruise for estimating the board foot volume of trees.

CUTTING AREA: Two (2) units totaling approximately 154 acres shall be partial cut. In addition, approximately five (5) acres of right-of-way shall be cut. Acres shown on Exhibit A have been computed using a Trimble Pro XH Global Positioning System receiver. Acreage was calculated based on Global Positioning System traverse procedures including differential correction.

DURATION OF CONTRACT: Contract length will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber.