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In Reply Refer To:

**March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2025**  
**Sale Date**

**Crazy Creek Fire Salvage**  
**Name of Sale**

## **CRAZY CREEK FIRE SALVAGE TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will offer for sale timber as described below for SEALED BID pursuant to instructions to bidders on reverse side of DEPOSIT AND BID FOR TIMBER AND OTHER WOOD PRODUCTS form 5440-9, attached. SEALED BIDS will be received by the Field Office Manager or their representative until 4:30 p.m., on Tuesday, April 15th at the Central Oregon Field Office, 3050 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street., Prineville, OR 97754. Sealed bids will be opened on Wednesday, April 16th at the Central Oregon Field Office. Information on bidding may be obtained after 2 p.m. The high bidder will be notified by phone and mail.

**CRAZY CREEK FIRE SALVAGE TIMBER SALE: IN CROOK COUNTY: OREGON: PUBLIC DOMAIN PUBLIC LAND: SEALED BIDS:** Minimum Bid deposit required is \$123.00, (representing approximately 10% of the appraised value). All timber designated for cutting within portions of T. 15 S., R. 23 E., Sections 19, 20, and 21. Sale estimate is 6,000 tons of ponderosa pine sawlogs, which will be **WEIGHED** and paid for on a bi-weekly basis. In addition, 500 tons of biomass (non-sawlog material, firewood, post and pole) will be sold **LUMP SUM** for no less than \$0.05 per ton. The duration of this sale for removal of timber is **12 months**.

**General Bid information:** The project area is located on Public Lands in Crook County, approximately 9 miles North of Paulina, OR. The project is located within the Crazy Creek Fire burn scar, which started on FS land on July 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2024.

**A tour of the sale area is not scheduled.** All prospective bidders are encouraged to visit the contract area and look at the harvest unit prior to bidding. Questions regarding access can be directed to BLM Forester Austin Tschida prior to visiting the contract area. He can be reached at both 541-416-6700 and 458-231-3575.

**Please note that the area may not be reachable by pickup. A tracked UTV/snow machine may be needed to visit the sale. Please contact BLM Forester Austin Tschida for more information.**

Two hundred fifty (250) acres will be contractually required for harvesting with the unit being conventional tractor.

Unit	Acreage	Volume for Sawtimber (tons)	Gross Volume for Biomass (tons)	Type of Harvest Method
Unit 1	250	6,000	500 (optional removal)	Tractor

All timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber.

The following information pertains to merchantable trees: Timber volumes were based upon the PCMTRE method with a 20 BAF. A 15.11% sampling error was achieved. The ponderosa pine tree quadratic mean diameter is 15.6" DBH. The ponderosa pine has been cruised to a 8" top diameter. An estimate of fair market value was done to determine stumpage values, prospective purchasers are urged to make their own appraisals.

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Product	Estimated Total Quantity (ton sawlog) (ton biomass)	Minimum Unit Price		Total Minimum Price
Ponderosa pine sawtimber (per unit bid item)	6,000 TONS	\$0.20/ton		\$1,200
Biomass all species (lump sum bid item)	500 Tons Net volume	\$0.05/Green Ton		\$25
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,000 tons Sawtimber 500 Tons Biomass</b>	---		<b>\$1,225</b>

The volume listed above is an estimate and is not guaranteed. Cruise information is on file and available for inspection at the BLM, Central Oregon Field Office. Bidders are urged to examine the timber sale to make their own estimates. No sale shall be made for less than the total appraised price.

**This sale is being sold based on the weight volume for sawlogs and lump sum for biomass.** Minimum price and bid price are on a per TON basis for sawlogs and per ton basis for biomass. **Bids should only include one line item for each product.** Price may vary by product. Please note that 500 tons biomass will not be required to be removed, you may remove up to 500 tons. Billing will be based on a per ton basis for all products. Each load shall be weighed as a single unit with the gross and tare weights stamped and recorded by an automatic recording device on the scales.

Day-to-day access to the sale area is via FS 43 Rd to 4360 to 500 spur. Legal access is also available via HWY 380, to Paulina Valley Road, then unnamed BLM RD that follows Indian Creek. This route is not recommended due native road surface and overall condition. Haul route access is through FS and BLM roads. An executed road use agreement and road maintenance fee payment of approximately \$18,000 with the USFS Ochoco National Forest will be required prior to starting operations, but not required to place a bid. Please contact Byran Kurtz (bryan.kurtz@usda.gov) at 541-416-6601 Office or 541-410-0279 cell.

The Purchaser will submit a “Plan of Operations” for approval prior to beginning operations. The plan shall include (but not be limited to) a logging plan and measures needed to assure protection of the environment, watershed, structures, and mitigation of safety hazards in the area.

A final blading of approximately 2 miles of the BLM roads and approximately 9 miles of FS used during hauling will be required following contract completion and was factored into the appraisal. In addition, any improvements (roads, culverts, drainage features, and fences) will be required to be in as good, if not better shape than they were prior to contract implementation. Road requirements on FS land will be documented in road use agreement held with the FS. Bonds will not be released until they are completed.

The location of temporary trails may be adjusted at the time of contract implementation. However, distances should not vary by more than 1/10<sup>th</sup> of a mile and all ground is on slopes of less than 20%. This will allow the Purchaser to have input into locations to improve efficiency.

**Notable Contract Provisions:**

The BLM contract contains many special provisions including, but not limited to the following:

1. The operating seasons are as follows:
  - a. The treatment area is within OR 131 Area of Known Wolf Activity (AKWA). If an occupied den or rendezvous site is found during surveys or during project implementation and is within 1.0 mile of the treatment area, project actions will be restricted from April 1 – July 15.
  - b. A BLM wildlife biologist will complete surveys prior to April 1 annually until all aspects of the project is complete. If dens or rendezvous sites are not found, work may occur during the denning stipulation listed above.

Exception requests are intended to be utilized for the expedited facilitation of commercial saw log removal and are **not guaranteed**.

2. Contract activity will be restricted to periods of dry, frozen or snow-covered ground. Woods operations are prohibited during wet periods that would result in damage to soils.
3. Skid trails and landing locations will be designated by the Purchaser and approved by the Authorized Officer prior to use.
4. All heavy equipment and any other off-road equipment with the exception of log trucks and personal vehicles shall be power washed to reduce the potential for transporting noxious/invasive weeds.
5. Prior to contract termination all skid trails, landings, temporary trails will be reclaimed/rehabilitated after use to the standards described (below).
  - a. Pull fill material including stumps and other woody debris back onto road prism and coarsely spread to meet the top of the cut;
  - b. All berms removed;
  - c. Travel way/landing may be ripped/scarified;
  - d. Woody debris and other native vegetation mixed into the soil and spread within the original travel way;
  - e. Water diversions as designated
6. The contract will require the purchaser to renovate approximately 2 miles of existing roads and trails on BLM. **However, most road renovation can be accomplished during normal logging operations.** Most of the road renovation could be accomplished by simple brushing and removal of small trees that have grown into existing roads. FS roads will also require additional maintenance like removal of small trees on up to 2 miles.
7. Final road maintenance on all existing roads authorized for use under the terms of this contract will be required to be done with a motor patrol grader following completion of logging.
8. Prior to contract **approval** a performance bond in the amount of \$5,000 or 20 percent of the total purchase price (rounded up to the nearest \$100) whichever is higher along with a first installment of not less than 10% of the purchase price (rounded up to the nearest \$1,000) will be required. Prior to **cutting and removal** of any timber an additional installment of not less than 10% (rounded up to the nearest \$1,000) of the purchase price will be required.

This timber sale notice and prospectus is provided to furnish sufficient information to enable prospective bidders to decide whether further investigation of the sale is warranted. Descriptions, estimates, and other data in this prospectus are not part of the contract unless otherwise stated. In the event that the prospectus and attachments is in error or contradicts the contract, the contract governs.

A copy of the timber sale contract form along with all exhibits and pertinent information is available for inspection at the Central Oregon Field Office, 3050 NE 3<sup>rd</sup> Street., Prineville, OR 97754. For additional information, please contact Austin Tschida at (541) 416-6765 (office) or (458) 231-3575 (cell).

Attachments:     Form 5440-9..... Deposit and Bid Form  
                      Example 5450-004 contract  
                      Cutting Unit Map  
                      Exhibit B  
                      Exhibit E DxD  
                      Crazy Creek Utilization and Recovery Worksheet Exhibit F  
                      Special Provisions Sec 41 and Sec 44