# **PROSPECTUS**

BLM, High Plains District- Newcastle Field Office

#WYP08-TS-2025.0003

June 24, 2025

Goldie Divide Timber Sale; <u>Weight sale</u> Crook County, WY

# BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$5,300.00If awardedPerformance bond required\$10,600.00If awardedFirst installment required\$6000.00

All timber designated for cutting by prescription on PD forestland in Sec. 22, 23, 26, 27 of Township 56N Range 66W, both of the Sixth Principal Meridian. Please see Exhibit A map for further spatial definition.

Species	Est. Volume Green Tons	Appr. Price Per Green Ton*	Est. Volume Times Appraised Price
Ponderosa pine	6,500	\$8.12	\$52,780.00
Total Appraised			\$52,780.00

\*Stumpage values have been determined by market value estimates and analytical appraisal methods were used to compute the appraised price. Along with appraised road maintenance package.

\*\*If the Purchaser chooses to purchase POL/biomass/firewood outside merchantability specifications outline in Exhibit B to help BLM maximize utilization and decrease material to burn, a negotiated modification maybe executed to awardee of this Sawlog sale. However, if it is determined that Purchaser has not been following merchandising specifications for sawlogs, or logs not properly decked and sorted between Sawlog sort and POL during processing/hauling, in order to create non-sawlog product Purchaser may forfeit performance bond and be held liable for sawlog contracted cost per ton.

<sup>+</sup>Minimum Stumpage values were used to compute the Appraised Price/ton

This will be a weight/scale sale and sealed bid, with a bid opening of **August 8th**, **2025**, **at 11:00 AM**. <u>All</u> bids must be received via mail or hand delivered 30 minutes before bid opening to the Newcastle field office. Unsuccessful bids deposits will be returned to potential bidders either certified mail or in person at opening.

#### BLM Newcastle field office 1101 Washington Blvd. Newcastle, WY 82071

This is a prospectus only. Attachments may not include all exhibits referred to in the final contract. The complete contract, including all exhibits, is available online at https://www.blm.gov/programs/natural-resources/forests-and-woodlands/timber-sales/wyoming.

This timber sale will be offered weight sale, and all costs or risks associated with this prospectus should be incorporated into potential purchaser's bid.

<u>CRUISE INFORMATION</u> – The volume is an estimate based on variable plot 10 BAF prism and prescription goals. Purchaser is responsible for due diligence and highly encouraged to verify estimate thru cruising.

<u>LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS</u> - All timber sold to the Purchaser under the terms of the contract, except exempted species, is restricted from export under the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from use as a substitute for exported Private timber.

<u>CUTTING AREA</u> – Total acres approximately 651 acres, three units.

## UNIT PRESCRIPTIONS -

## • Unit 1(366 acres)-

Random selection commercial thinning down to an average 20 basal area (BA) of Ponderosa Pine (PP).

#### • Unit 2(188 acres)-

Commercially thin down to 10 BA seed tree, retaining the biggest and best form/crown ratio PP trees mimicking a very open Pine woodland/savannah for habitat improvement for wildlife.

## • Unit 3(68 acres)-Overstory removal all trees >9" DBH to release Bur oak and younger more vigorous PP for a mixed pine/oak savannah structure

Contract Administrator or BLM Staff will conduct audits of meeting prescription throughout timber sale contract, poor performance or not meeting prescription could result in contract cancellation and/or retention of performance bond, or purchaser having to paint leave trees to prescription at Purchasers' cost and labor and to no fault of government.

<u>CUTTING TIME</u> - Contract duration will be thirty-six (36) months for cutting and removal of timber.

<u>ACCESS</u> – Public access on public roads on BLM surface for all of sale by sticking to two tracks and native trails on BLM surface, any route for equipment or trucks off of BLM surface is outside the authority of BLM and on the Purchaser to acquire permission for use, government is not responsible for any costs associated with access or roads utilized by purchaser and other party.

<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u> – Purchaser is required to maintain BLM trails/two tracks and/or roads across sale project area haul route to pre-haul or better condition. Haul should be when dry or frozen to minimize impacts to road systems.

If Purchaser chooses to winter log, all plowing and snow removal is on the purchaser. Two-tracks and skidder trails on BLM surface will be maintained to WY State Forestry BMP's and returned to min. or original conditions.

## ROAD CONSTRUCTION -

#### None foreseen however;

Any temporary skidder trails, temp haul routes or jump spurs within sale units constructed on BLM surface must be to WY State Forestry BMP's, fully abandoned to WY State Forestry BMP's and any specifications found in Section 44 SP before relinquishment of performance bond.

<u>SOIL/EROSION DAMAGE PREVENTION</u> – Active operations should be conducted when ground is frozen, firm or reasonably dry. No trucking operations during spring break-up purchaser must also follow any county restrictions in route to any destination during thaw/breakup and any damage to county roads is sole responsibility of purchaser. All maintenance and construction outlined in this prospectus and further and fully quantified in contract example and exhibits must also be adhered to, and if any damage is incurred it is the responsibility of purchaser to bring condition back to original condition at start of contract in the case of maintenance requirements, and/or the final construction condition outlined in roads section Exhibit C.

WY Forestry BMP's must be employed to minimize impacts to soil resource. If WY state Forestry BMPs are not employed or conditions deteriorate, and operator does not self-police based on conditions in units for logging or haul and adhere to WY State Forestry BMP's. BLM will shut down operations until conditions improve and/or depending on damage with-hold performance bond and/or require repair of damage at no cost to the government.

<u>OTHER</u> - No extension of time beyond the normal 30 days will be granted for completing bonding and contract signing requirements. Also, no extension beyond contract time in terms (36 months) will be granted that are not explicitly outlined in contract.

<u>ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT</u> – EA, FONSI and Decision Record, Newcastle Field Office FY 2024 Timber Sales DOI-BLM-WY-P080-2024-0034-EA was prepared for this sale. This document is available for inspection as background for this sale at the Newcastle Field office or online thru BLM's NEPA database https://www.blm.gov/programs/planning-and-nepa/eplanning.