

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
3232 W Nursery Rd
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815

TIMBER SALE NOTICE AND PROSPECTUS

The Bureau of Land Management will offer for sale timber as described below.

Date Posted: August 11, 2025
Sale Date: September 9, 2025
Bid Return Date: September 8, 2025

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, attached. **SEALED BIDS** as hereinafter designated, will be received by the Field Manager, Bureau of Land Management, 3232 W. Nursery Road, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815, until 4:30 p.m. (PDT) on *Wednesday, September 8, 2025*, for all timber marked or designated for cutting. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and submission of bids, including appraised prices per species, should be obtained from the above Field Manager. The right is hereby reserved to waive technical defects in this advertisement and to reject any or all bids. The United States reserves the right to waive any informality in bids received whenever such waiver is in the interest of the United States.

THIS TIMBER SALE NOTICE does not constitute the decision document for purposes of appeal of a forest management decision. Consistent with 43 CFR Subpart 5003.2(b), the date the BLM posts the forest management decision on the BLM's ePlanning website establishes the effective date of the decision for purposes of an administrative appeal. Website Address:

<https://eplanning.blm.gov/eplanning-ui/home>

IN KOOTENAI COUNTY: IDAHO: PD: SEALED BID: WEST FORK II TIMBER SALE: All timber designated for cutting on certain Federal lands in *Boise Meridian, T. 47 N., R. 1 E., sections 15 and 22*, estimated for the purposes of this sale to be 5,186 M bd. ft./ 28,818 Tons. No written bid for less than \$5.90/ton will be considered. The minimum deposit with written bid is \$17,100.

PROSPECTUS

SALE NAME: West Fork II
CONTRACT NUMBER: IDC01-TS-2025.0003
NOTICE DATE: 08/11/2025

This prospectus does not contain all contract provisions and exhibits. Contract items listed below are a summary of contract provisions and do not contain the exact wording as shown in the contract. A copy of the timber sale contract, along with all exhibits, is available for inspection at the above office. All bidders should inspect these documents prior to bidding. If the prospectus and attachments are in error or contradicts the contract, the contract governs.

The right is hereby reserved to waive technical defects in this supplement.

1. DATE, PLACE AND TYPE OF SALE:

Sealed bids will be received by the Field Manager or his representative until **4:30 p.m.**, Pacific Daylight Time, on **September 8, 2025** at the Bureau of Land Management's Coeur d'Alene Field Office, 3232 W. Nursery Road, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho 83815. Sealed bids will be opened at **10:00 a.m.** on **September 9, 2025** at this office location. The high bidder will be notified by phone and mail.

To qualify for sealed bidding, the bidder must submit a bid in a sealed envelope that includes:

- A. Two (2) copies of the bid written on Deposit and Bid for Timber/Vegetative Resource (Form 5440-9) available at the Coeur d'Alene Field Office. No bids for less than the advertised appraised price per product or species and total price will be considered.
- B. **Appraised sale price is \$170,115.73.** The required minimum bid deposit of \$17,100 is required. Bid deposit must be in the form of cash, bid bond, money order, bank draft, cashier's check or certified check only. (Personal checks will not be accepted.)

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The sealed envelope must be clearly marked that it is a "Bid for Timber," together with identifying sale name West Fork II Timber Sale and contract number **IDC01-TS-2025.0003**.

Bidding will be restricted to those persons complying with Instructions to Bidders form 5440-9 (page 3.) enclosed in the Timber Sale contract package.

The successful bidder, as a condition of award, will be required to sign Form 5460-16, Certificate as to Nonsubstitution and The Domestic Processing of Timber, and form 5460-17 Export Determination.

The unsuccessful bidder(s) bid deposit and bid form will be returned within ten calendar days of the bid opening date.

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

2. LOCATION OF TIMBER:

Shoshone County, Idaho. Within portions of Bureau of Land Management lands in Sections 15 and 22 of T. 47 N. R. 1 E., Boise Meridian. See attached timber sale vicinity map: *Exhibit A-1*. The total contract area is approximately 372 acres.

From Pinehurst, Idaho travel south on Pine Creek Road for 4 miles to the intersection with West Fork Pine Creek Road turn right and travel 3 miles on West Fork Pine Creek Road to the intersection with Langlois Creek. Turn right and travel 18 miles to the project area.

The gate to access the unit from the ridge in Section 27 is locked. Gates on the Langlois Creek road system close on August 25. To access the project area, contact Scott Thomas at (208) 769-5043.

3. YARDING:

335 acres will require skyline cable yarding or tethered harvesting methods.

4. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT:

THIS IS A WEIGHT SCALE SALE Payment for timber will be based on weight scale. The Purchaser shall weigh all loads on scales currently certified by the State in which weighed. 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.

The Purchaser will be required to make payment for merchantable timber not removed from the sale area based on the amount bid or appraised for each species. Merchantable timber not removed from the sale area will be scaled by board feet (BF) and the BF scale will then be converted to weight.

The volumes listed are estimates only. Volume has been determined by a variable plot cruise at one plot for every two acres. Cruise data is available for viewing at the Coeur d'Alene Field Office. Contact Scott Thomas at (208)-769-5043 or scottrthomas@blm.gov.

TABLE: TIMBER TYPE, VOLUME, AND APPRAISED VALUES

SPECIES	VOLUME (TONS)	STUMPAGE (\$/TON)	CONTRIBUTED FUNDS (\$/TOT.)	TOT. AMT. DUE BLM (\$/TON)
Unit 1 All Species (sawlogs)	26,373	\$5.90	\$875	\$5.90
Unit 2 All Species (sawlogs)	2,654	\$5.90		\$5.90

5. DURATION OF CONTRACT:

Duration of the contract will be approximately **forty-eight (48)** months for cutting and removal of timber from the date the contract is executed. Extensions will not ordinarily be granted.

6. ACCESS, ROAD RENOVATION and ROAD RECLAMATION:

See attached "Exhibit A-1 for route information to the sale area.

- Approximately 18 miles of road renovation may be required

- Gate installation for the newly constructed road is required

7. SLASH DISPOSAL:

Whole tree yarding to approved landing(s) and roadsides shall be required in all unit(s).

8. BONDS:

See Form 5440-9, Deposit and Bid for Timber, Items 7, 10 and 11 for information on bid deposit and bonds. A performance bond in an amount not less than twenty (20) percent of the total contract purchase price will be required.

9. SPECIAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS:

The contract will contain special provisions regarding logging practices, erosion control, slash disposal, fire protection and road construction. Bidders should take note of the following items that are part of the contract. The exact clauses as they will appear in the contract may be reviewed at the Coeur d'Alene Field Office.

- A. The selection criteria shown in Exhibit D - Designation by Description, shall be used by the purchaser in determining which trees are to be retained and which trees are to be cut and removed.
- B. Unit 2 (see Exhibit A) is optional. Price per ton will be the same as the bid price for Unit 1.
- C. Road construction details are available at the Coeur d'Alene office. Contact Scott Thomas, Forester at (208)-769-5043 or scottrthomas@blm.gov for viewing.
- D. A mandatory contribution of \$875 will be required for noxious weed management. An allowance has been made in the appraisal for these fees.
- E. The Purchaser shall purchase and apply approximately 125 pounds of approved grass seed to critical skid trail areas directed by the Authorized Officer. See Section 44 for seed mix requirements and application details.
- F. The use of Feller Bunchers is permitted on slopes up to 45%. Forwarders are permitted in the areas designated for ground-based yarding.
- G. To reduce adverse impacts to migratory bird species, cutting of vegetation will be limited to 20% of the sale area (74 acres) between April 1 and July 15 of each year.
- H. The use of ground-based equipment (e.g. crawler tractors, skidders, feller bunchers, etc.) shall not be allowed between November 15th of one calendar year and June 15th of the following calendar year, except under the following conditions:

- The Authorized Officer determines that soil moisture conditions are satisfactory to prevent damage to the soil.
 - The Authorized Officer determines that the ground is frozen sufficiently to prevent damage to the soil.
 - The ground is covered with snow greater than two feet in depth.
- I. Mining claim monuments will be protected as to ensure the markers are not disturbed or destroyed.