

UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
2 Butte Drive
Cottonwood, Idaho 83522-5200

TIMBER SALE NOTICE AND PROSPECTUS

SALE NOTICE

TIMBER FOR SALE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. SEALED BIDS as hereinafter designated will be received by the Cottonwood Field Office, 2 Butte drive, Cottonwood Idaho, 83522 by **4:30 PM PST on September 23rd, 2026**, for all timber designated for cutting. Additional information concerning the timber, conditions of sale, and submission of bids may be obtained by contacting the Cottonwood Field Office at (208) 962-3245. 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. IN IDAHO COUNTY: Idaho: Public Domain: SEALED BID AUCTION: Top Hat Sanitation Harvest: All timber designated for cutting on certain Federal lands in T. 23 N., R. 1 E., estimated for the purpose of this sale to be **3.4 M bd. ft.** appraised at **\$40,560.00**. The minimum deposit with a sealed bid is **\$4,100.00**. *All fully completed bid applications submitted by qualified purchasers may be accepted. This includes submitted bids less than the appraised value.*

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 website establishes the effective date of the decision for purposes of an administrative appeal.

ACCESS:

See "Exhibit A and Exhibit C.1" for route information to the sale area.

PROSPECTUS

This prospectus does not contain all contract provisions and exhibits. Contract items listed below are a summary only of certain 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 on this sale.

SALE NAME: Top Hat Sanitation Harvest
CONTRACT NUMBER: IDC02-TS-2026.0001
NOTICE DATE: August 25, 2026

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

1. YARDING:

Approximately 67 acres will require tractor based harvesting methods, 128 acres will require skyline cable yarding or tethered harvesting methods, and 33 acres will require Jammer/Shovel harvesting methods.

2. 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 22, 2026**, at the Bureau of Land Management's Cottonwood Field Office, 2 Butte Drive, Cottonwood, Idaho 83522. Sealed bids will be opened at **8:00 a.m.** on **September 23, 2026**, 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. One (1) copy of the bid written on Deposit and Bid for Timber/Vegetative Resource (Form 5440-9) available at the Cottonwood Field Office. Bids for less than the advertised appraised price per product or species and total price may be considered.
- b. **Appraised sale price is \$40,560.00.** The required minimum bid deposit of four thousand one hundred dollars (\$4,100.00) shall be 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.)

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO U.S. DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR - BLM

The sealed envelope must be clearly marked that it is a "Bid for Timber", together with identifying sale name Top Hat Sanitation Harvest and contract number IDC02-TS-2026.0001.

Bidding will be restricted to those persons complying with Instructions to Bidders form 5440-9 (page 3.), and form 1140-1, Notice of Requirement for Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities 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.

3. LOCATION OF TIMBER:

Idaho County, Idaho. Within portions of Bureau of Land Management lands in Section (s) 23, 26, and 27 of T. 23 N. R. 1 E., Boise Meridian. See attached timber sale map: *Exhibit A*. The

total contract area is approximately 1,200 acres. The total harvest area is approximately 245 acres.

Prospective bidders can access the proposed sale area by using full size vehicle or ATV/UTV.

From the Sheep Creek rest area near Pollock, Idaho travel south on Highway 95 for 3.6 miles and turn left on Fuzi Rd. Continue for 500ft and turn right onto the Denny Creek Public Access Road. Continue up the Denny Creek Road past the residences until you meet the BLM. Refer to Exhibit C.1 – Development Map for road locations and access to the unit locations. A pipe gate with a combination lock is located at the junction of the Range View Haul and Upper Hat Creek Haul. The combination for this lock is 3006. All Main Haul and Haul routes are open to full size vehicles. The remainder of the road systems are impassable by anything but foot traffic.

You may contact Hailey Danly at (208) 962-3798 or (208) 702-3524 for further access inquiries or any documents and/or Exhibits.

4. METHOD OF MEASUREMENT:

The volumes listed within Exhibit F are estimates only. All sale units within the sale area were leave tree marked (LTM) and volumes were determined utilizing a Variable Plot Cruise design. The tract was cruised June through July of 2025.

THIS IS A SCALE SALE

All loads presented for weight scaling shall be weighed on scales currently certified by the State in which weighed. The timber volume by weight measurement shall be paid to the Government at the prices per measurement unit as set forth in Exhibit B. See attached Cruise Summary Worksheet (Exhibit F) for species and unit volume/yarding system breakdown.

5. TIMBER TYPE, VOLUME, AND APPRAISED VALUES:

SPECIES	VOLUME (Tons)	STUMPAGE (\$/Ton)	CONTRIBUTED FUNDS (\$/Ton)	TOTAL AMT DUE BLM (\$/Ton)
All species (sawlogs)	20,280	\$2.00	\$0.00	\$2.00

6. DURATION OF CONTRACT:

Duration of the contract will be approximately **thirty-six (36) months** for cutting and removal of timber from the date the contract is executed. Extensions will not ordinarily be granted.

8. SLASH DISPOSAL:

Whole tree yarding to approved landing(s) and roadsides shall be required in unit(s) 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10A, 10B, 11, 16, 20, and 21.

Purchaser responsibilities: (Appraisal allowance to perform work)

- Using grapple equipment, pile all created slash at landings and roadsides.
- Machine piling of the tractor and Jammer units (areas < 40% slope) (110 acres).
- Less acreage may be treated due to slope limitations.

Allowance = \$28,050.00 *see delivered log appraisal worksheet*

9. BONDS:

See Form 5440-9, Deposit and Bid for Timber, Sections 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.

10. ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND RENOVATION:

All road construction and road renovation work is required as described in Exhibit E.1. Locations are shown in Exhibit C.1 (Development Map) and specifications for required work can be found in Exhibit C.2.

11. SPECIAL CONTRACT PROVISIONS:

To reduce the potential for introduction of noxious weeds to the contract area, the Purchaser shall, prior to moving in motorized equipment to be used in logging and road renovation operations, clean all such equipment to remove all dirt, plant parts and materials that may carry noxious weed seeds. All equipment shall be inspected by the Authorized Officer prior to moving said equipment to the contract area.

Prior to the commencement of operations, the Purchaser shall provide a written operations and logging plan which shall be approved prior to operations. A pre-work conference is required.

Prior to the construction or use of any landings or skid trails the purchaser shall flag and designate their locations and obtain written approval from the authorized officer.

The Purchaser shall obtain written approval from the Authorized Officer confirming completion of each unit prior to moving any equipment to the next unit. The Purchaser must provide the Authorized Officer with at least 24 hours' notice when requesting an inspection. Determination of unit completion is at the sole discretion of the Authorized Officer. If any unit is found not to meet the required completion standards, the Purchaser shall, at their own expense, return equipment and personnel to the unit and complete all necessary work until the Authorized Officer determines that the unit meets the required standards.

During hauling activities, the purchaser is required to water the main haul routes as needed to reduce the loss of fine materials and limit dust near the residences.

In all harvest Unit(s) all trees eight (8) inches D.B.H. and larger, not marked reserve above and below stump height with a band of **orange paint** (includes leave trees within the unit, and unit line boundary trees), shall be felled and yarded whole tree to a loading point with merchantable products removed as described in Exhibit B.

Other products/non-sawlog (Pulp and Firewood) yarded to the landing/roadsides within all unit(s), shall be whole tree yarded, processed, and decked near accessible roads and landings as designated by the Authorized officer.

In all harvest Units shown on Exhibit "A, all trees designated for cutting which are within one hundred (100) feet of the unit boundary shall be felled away from, and/or perpendicular to, the unit boundary.

All slash material accumulated on landings shall be piled greater than 30 feet away from leave/reserve trees and shall be compact, free from earth and other non-burnable material. Slash piles will be placed on landings and along roadsides approved by the Authorized Officer.

Purchaser shall machine pile created activity slash and undesirable/damaged grand fir regeneration thickets (saplings four (4) feet in height and greater), within unit(s) 3, 4, 5, 7, 8, 9, 10A, 10B, 11, 16, 20, and 21 (approximately 110 acres) as shown on Exhibit "A" of tractor and shovel ground (slope limitations up to 40% for ground-based equipment may result in less acres treated). Piles shall be compact, free of dirt, and 1.5 times as high as they are in diameter and placed outside the dripline of nearest reserve trees. All slash/brush more than 1 inch in diameter and greater than 3 feet in length shall be piled. All down material shall be piled, with the exception of 5 to 10 tons (3 to 5 large pieces) of the largest woody debris to be left on each acre. Piles shall be a maximum of 8 feet in diameter by 12 feet in height, and minimum pile size shall be 4 feet in diameter by 6 feet in height at the time of final inspection by the Government to ensure successful completion of required work.

The Purchaser shall purchase and apply 106 pounds of an approved grass seed, and 380 pounds of water-soluble commercial fertilizer, applied to critical road and skid trail areas as directed by the Authorized Officer. See "Section 44" of the contract for seed mix requirements and application rates and details.

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 in accordance with management direction in the Record of Decision (ROD) and Resource Management Plan (RMP), or; (2) Comply with a court order or an Interior Board of Land Appeals stay or remedy or; (3) Protect species which were identified for protection in accordance with management direction established in the ROD and RMP.