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SPRING 2011 IRON COUNTY FORESTRY TIMBER SALE

Sealed timber sale bids will be accepted for twenty (20) timber sale tracts, at the IRON COUNTY FORESTRY DEPARTMENT OFFICE; 607 3rd Avenue North – Suite 2, Hurley, WI 54534 (Phone: 715/561-2697; Fax: 715/561-4801), until **8:30 A.M. on Thursday, June 9, 2011.**

Bids received by that time and date will be publicly opened at **9:00 A.M. on Thursday, June 9, 2011** at the Iron County Forestry Office Conference Room, and will be reviewed. Contracts may be awarded to the successful bidders after bids are opened.

Bids submitted for this sale must include at least 10% of the total value bid. Bid Bond will be forfeit upon failure to sign contract by successful bidder. Bidders who previously have had Iron County timber sale contracts ***in default*** or suspended may be required to deposit 100% of the total bid value.

We will be accepting irrevocable letters-of-credit as bond deposits for these contracts under these conditions:

1. The letter-of-credit must be made out for at least 25% of your total bid value for the sale and none of the amount specified in the letter will be credited as stumpage payment.
2. The letter must state that it has been established in favor of the Iron County Forestry Department for the sale number that is bid on.
3. The letter-of-credit must show an expiration date that is no earlier than **October 15, 2013.**
4. **No Surety Bonds** will be accepted.
5. The letter-of-credit must be issued by a bank that is insured by the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation (FDIC).
6. **If you plan to replace the bond check included in your bid with an irrevocable letter of credit, please indicate that in writing on your bid form. Be aware that your check will be cashed ten (10) business days after contracts are awarded if the irrevocable letter of credit is not received at our office by then.**

If you have any questions about any of the above conditions please contact the Iron County Forestry Department Office.

Successful bidders in this bid opening will be required to submit proof that they are in compliance with Wisconsin requirements for Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage for their employees upon award of contract; and proof that any subcontractors working on their sales are also in compliance with those requirements as a condition of their timber sales contracts.

Successful bidders in this bid opening will be required to ensure that the actual logging contractor *and any subcontractor* complies with the Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC). **Documentation confirming completion of the training standard (FISTA Certificate of Completion) will be required upon award of contract.**

Please note: Iron County Forestry Department policy requires that each cut stick with a small end diameter of ten or more inches, and a length of eight or more feet, and a grade of number three (3) or better, according to “**National Hardwood Lumber Association Log Grading Rules**”, will be scaled as a log using Scriber Decimal C scale at the timber sale site before it is hauled. This will be done regardless of whether the scaled stick is actually sold as a log, bolt, or pulpwood, by the contractor. All bidders are urged to consider this when they are deciding what to bid for log stumpage on the sales.

Original contract length: Contract Expires June 1, 2013. Extensions of contracts may be granted by the Forestry Committee with or without a stumpage increase.

DAMAGES: The Seller’s damages upon the Purchaser’s failure to perform this Contract include, but are not limited to: Double the mill value, as determined by the Seller, for the timber cut, removed, or damaged without authorization under or in violation of this Contract.

Utilization will follow specifications described on the map or pulp to a 4-inch minimum top diameter, hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum top diameter, and softwood sawtimber to a 9-inch minimum top diameter.

Contractors interested in the utilization of biomass (waste) must contact the Iron County Forestry Department for price negotiation and harvest specifications prior to removal.

Prior to logging operations but within six (6) months of the bid opening, an additional bond in the Seller’s favor in the amount of:

- 15% of bid value for sales greater than \$40,000 in bid value.
- An amount to bring the total bond up to \$10,000 for sales with a bid value from \$10,000 to \$40,000.
- The entire bid value for sales with a bid value under \$10,000.
- **90% of the bid value for purchasers who have previously failed to make timely payments.**

The Purchaser will have the option, at the Seller’s discretion, to prepay for scale tickets. The prepayment option will require a total bond amount of 25% of bid value.

The bond may be a performance bond written by an insurance company licensed to do business in Wisconsin, a cash bond, an irrevocable letter of credit, or any other form of security acceptable to Seller. The bond must be valid for six months beyond the expiration of this contract. Failure to submit the bond will be considered a breach of this Contract and subject the Purchaser to liability for damages.

Rutting Policy: In order to provide quantitative standards for defining the limits of acceptable rutting as required for Forest Certification Standards, Iron County Forest enforces the following policy. This policy is a part of the 2006 Fifteen Year Comprehensive Forest Management Plan. These standards will be used on timber sales, landings, skid trails, forest roads and trails, recreation trails (motorized and non-motorized), parks and the Harbor.

Materials that complement the standards are being developed by State and Federal entities. Our past experiences with managing soil quality have been used to develop this policy and will be implemented for future problem solving. These materials will provide information on how to avoid unintentional soil disturbances and how to correct them if they occur.

This policy should be used in conjunction with field visits and in consultation with contractors, users and equipment operators. The policy should guide decisions made by the administrator and by users; but it does not mandate decisions. On the ground conditions and availability of equipment and other resources should also be considered.

Goals for the management of soil disturbance are to:

- Minimize inadvertent soil disturbance and potential adverse impacts to soil productivity, water quality, fish and wildlife habitat and other natural resources.
- Protect public investment in the Iron County Forest.
- Maintain roads and trails to intended design standards.
- Combine professional expertise and operator (user) experience in the formation of on the ground decisions.
- Provide a protocol for identifying and responding to maintenance needs.

The Iron County Forest recognizes that soil disturbances occur during forestry operations and recreational pursuits. Some disturbances are intentional, such as mechanical site preparation, construction of roads, landings and trails, and improvement of infrastructure and facilities. Other soil disturbances are unintentional, such as ruts or gullies, and may result in tree mortality, reduced forest soil productivity, and reduced water quality. Ruts and other soil disturbances visually suggest poor forest stewardship, even if forest productivity or water quality is not impacted.

Soil disturbance during logging or recreational use can be avoided or minimized by using appropriate equipment, by avoiding forest use on susceptible sites during wet periods, and by carefully monitoring and controlling operations. If they do occur, the potentially negative effects of soil disturbance can be mitigated by remedial actions such as reestablishing drainage or installing erosion controls. Repair and mitigation is less desirable than avoidance because of the cost of implementing and maintaining repair and mitigation practices, the loss of forest productivity, and the possibility that the soil degradation may not be correctable.

Areas with excessive levels of soil disturbance display degradation due to poor site conditions or excessive use. To avoid reaching excessive levels of soil disturbance and to avoid disruption in timber sale and other forest use activities, it shall be the policy of the Iron County Forest to take the following actions:

- Identify areas susceptible to soil disturbance and plan activities accordingly.
- Operate equipment and vehicles only when ground is frozen or dry enough to support the load.
- Monitor air temperature. Equipment or vehicles may not able to operate once temperatures rise above freezing.
- Avoid sharp turns, especially at base of hills.
- Avoid traveling through depressions.
- Utilize mats made from slash or manufactured material for temporary crossings. Remove when finished.
- Shift all operations to upland areas when soil or temperature conditions deteriorate.
- Reduce loads.
- Use low ground pressure equipment and vehicles.
- Use common sense while operating vehicles on the Iron County Forest, ask yourself “will I cause significant soil disturbance? Do I have the proper equipment and time to repair any damage I cause?”

Excessive soil disturbance requires special attention from timber sale administrators in order to make any necessary recommendations. Classifying a soil disturbance as excessive does not mandate closing of a timber sale or a forest road, however, actions should be taken, as appropriate, to minimize further soil disturbances. A guideline for excessive rutting is as follows:

Roads, landings, skid trails, and general harvest area	A gully or rut 6 inches deep or more and is resulting in channelized flow to a wetland, stream, or lake.
Roads, landings, and primary skid trails	In a riparian management zone (RMZ) or wetland, a gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.
	In an upland area (outside of RMZ), a gully or rut is 10 inches deep or more and 66 feet long or more.
Secondary skid trails and general harvest area	A gully or rut is 6 inches deep or more and 100 feet long or more.

Note: The depth is to be measured from the original soil surface to the bottom of the depression. If individual lug depressions are visible, the depth would be measured to the lesser of the two depths (the top of the lug). The length would be measured from the start of the too deep section to the end of the too deep section. Measurements are not cumulative.

Tract 19-10

Sec 8 & 9; R2E, T44N, Town of Pence (West Branch Rd./Trail 11a)

Estimated to be: 5 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 2 MBF Hard Maple, 650 cord Mixed Hardwood, 140 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: ZONE 1: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a 10 inch minimum top diameter. Prevent damage to residual timber at all costs. Leave existing snags standing. Prevent and minimize rutting. Follow all BMP's. No logging from March through December.

ZONE 2: Harvest all mixed hardwoods yielding <9.5" DBH. Harvest all Balsam Fir that yields at least 1 100" pulpstick. Utilize all tops of pulpwood to a 4 inch. No cutting of Cedar, Black and White Spruce, White Pine, and Hemlock. Leave all snags standing. Prevent and minimize rutting at all costs. Follow all BMP's. No logging from March through December.

The sale consists of 103 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$295.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.00 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 34-10

Sec 13 & 24, R3E, T44N; Sec 18 & 19, R4E, T44N Town of Oma (Bass Lake Landing Rd & Kichak Rd). Estimated to be: 7 MBF Hard Maple, 6 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1050 cord Mixed Hardwood, 550 cord Aspen, 250 cord Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: This sale is accessed via Bass Lake Road. The sale boundaries are distinguished by a red paint line. Property boundaries to the north and east are painted blue. The terrain is gently rolling. All survey markers must be protected from logging damage. No felling trees across, piling slash or tree tops over the blue line. All new roads and landings must have approval from Iron County Forestry before construction and WI BMPs for water quality followed. Utilize all pulpwood to a minimum 4 inch top diameter and all sawtimber to a 10 inch minimum top diameter (hardwoods)/9 inch (softwoods).

Northern Hardwood (117 acres): Cut all orange marked trees, including those trees marked less than 4" in diameter. Cut all aspen and balsam fir containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick. Restrict skidding trails to protect NH and hemlock advanced regeneration. No harvest activity April through June.

Even aged clear cut area (33 acres): Cut all trees 2" and greater, utilize all trees with one or more pulpstick, except do not cut or damage any white pine, hemlock, cedar or oak.

The sale area is 150 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$221.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$94.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$12.80 per cord Fir.

Tract 35-10

Sec 14; R1W, T47N, Town of Saxon (Cty A)

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 210 cord Spruce (includes 24 MBF), 10 cord Red Pine (includes 1 MBF), 140 cord Aspen, 10 cord Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS : Cut all orange marked trees. Cut all hardwoods (except oak and cherry), and aspen (designated) containing 1 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Retain all oak, cherry and conifers except for marked spruce. Every 5th row of this plantation has all trees painted with vertical orange marks providing minimum 10-ft wide logging access lanes. Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top.

GENERAL SALE OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: No logging during April, May or June. New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale. Private lands must be crossed to access this sale.

The sale consists of 11 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$71.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$22.20 per cord Spruce, \$37.50 per cord Red Pine, \$21.40 per cord Aspen, \$26.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 36-10

Sec 14 & 15; R1W, T46N, Town of Gurney (Clement Rd).

Estimated to be: 68 MBF Sugar Maple, 9 MBF Red Maple, 4 MBF Basswood, 3 MBF Yellow Birch, 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 810 cord Mixed Hardwood, 10 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all orange marked trees. Cut all aspen (designated) containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top.

GENERAL SALE OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: No logging during April, May or June. New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Protect blue painted survey corner (aluminum cap) located in the sale's central region. Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale.

Sale area is 103 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$427.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$155.00 per MBF Red Maple, \$129.00 per MBF Basswood, \$201.00 per MBF Yellow Birch, \$140.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$30.60 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$23.80 per cord Aspen.

Tract 1-11

Sec 26; R1W, T46N Town of Gurney (Freburg Rd).

Estimated to be: 88 MBF Hard Maple, 7 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 600 cord Mixed Hardwood, 40 cord Basswood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees marked with orange paint containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. No logging during April, May or June. Eliminate rutting. Protect residual stand from damage.

Sale area is 81 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$251.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.80 per cord Basswood.

Tract 2-11

Sec 7, R1W, T46N, Town of Gurney

Estimated to be: 12 MBF Red Maple, 10 MBF Sugar Maple, 7 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1560 cord Aspen, 1020 cord Mixed Hardwood, 350 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all aspen and balsam fir (designated) containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Cut all hardwood stems (except cherry and oak) 2 inches or greater DBH, utilizing those containing 1 or more 100-inch pulpstick. Retain cherry, oak and all conifers except for designated balsam fir. Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top.

GENERAL SALE OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale.

Sale area is 107 acres and is the cross-hatched area on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$136.00 per MBF Red Maple, \$302.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$99.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$22.80 per cord Aspen, \$29.40 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$13.90 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 3-11

Sec 31, R1E, T45N, Town of Anderson (O'Brien Lake Rd)

Estimated to be: 12 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 975 cord Aspen, 200 cord Fir, 170 cord Spruce, 750 cord Mixed Hardwood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all aspen and fir that will yield one 100" pulp stick. Harvest all spruce > 18" DBH and all spruce with structural defect. Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. *Protect elm saplings at all cost.* Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch minimum top diameter, logs to a 10 inch (9 inch-spruce) minimum top diameter. Minimize all rutting. Utilize 2011 BMPs for water quality in all harvest and road building activities.

The sale area is 128 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$94.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$19.30 per cord Aspen, \$11.70 per cord Fir, \$22.10 per cord Spruce, \$24.80 per cord Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 4-11

Sec 34 & 35, R1E, T45N; Town of Knight (Snake Track Rd).

Estimated to be: 7 MBF Hard Maple, 11 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 560 cord Mixed Hardwood, 100 cord White Birch, 80 cord Aspen, 25 cord Balsam Fir, 180 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest Specifications: Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Sale should be cut during frozen or very dry conditions. Do not operate equipment where rutting will occur. Follow Wisconsin BMP's at all times.

Overstory Removal Area: Harvest all merchantable trees except pine, hemlock, cedar, and tamarack. Large diameter cull hardwoods may be left standing. Avoid damaging existing regeneration.

Select Cut Area: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen, white birch, balsam, and spruce. Avoid damage to existing regeneration and residual trees. No logging during April, May, or June.

The sale area is 58 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$259.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$100.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$24.10 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.10 per cord White Birch, \$18.80 per cord Aspen, \$11.40 per cord Balsam Fir, \$20.30 per cord Spruce.

Tract 6-11

Sec 10 & 15, R3E, T42N, Town of Mercer (Deer Lake Rd).

Estimated to be: 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 780 cord Mixed Hardwood, 1790 cord Aspen, 35 cord Fir

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: This sale is accessed via Deer Lake road. The sale boundaries are distinguished by red paint line and keg edges. Property boundaries are painted blue. All survey markers must be protected from logging damage. No felling trees across, piling slash or tree tops over the blue line. The terrain is gently rolling. All new roads and landings must have approval from Iron County Forestry before construction and WI BMP's for water quality followed. Utilize all pulpwood to a minimum 4-inch top diameter and all sawtimber to a 10-inch minimum top diameter (hardwoods)/9 inch (softwoods).

Even Aged CC areas 168 acres: Cut all trees 2" and greater, utilize all trees with one or more pulp sticks, except do not cut or damage any red or white pine, hemlock, or oak.

Sale area is 168 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$119.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.70 per cord Aspen, \$13.10 per cord Fir.

Tract 8-11

Sec 16, T46N, R1W, Town of Gurney (Hwy 169).

Estimated to be: 4 MBF Hard Maple, 13 MBF Basswood, 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 600 cord Mixed Hardwood, 25 cord Aspen, 20 cord Balsam Fir, 20 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Avoid damage to residual stand and eliminate rutting. Follow Wisconsin BMP's at all times.

Select Cut Area: Cut all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen, white birch, balsam, and spruce.
Clear Cut Area: Cut all merchantable trees except cedar, hemlock, pine, and trees marked with green paint.

Sale area is 77 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$255.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$104.00 per MBF Basswood, \$102.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, 600 cord Mixed Hardwood, 25 cord Aspen, 20 cord Balsam Fir, 20 cord Spruce.

Tract 9-11

Sec 17 & 20, T44N, R2E, Towns of Pence & Carey (West Branch Rd).

Estimated to be: 25 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1760 cord Mixed Hardwood, 120 cord Aspen, 70 cord Balsam Fir

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Utilize all pulpwood to a minimum 4-inch top diameter and all hardwood sawtimber to a 10 inch top diameter. New roads entering sale must have approval from Iron County Forestry. Follow all BMPs. Minimize rutting at all costs. No logging from April through June. Failure to comply will result in sale suspension.

Clearcut Harvest (111 acres): Cut all trees 2" and greater except Hemlock, Cedar and White Spruce. Leave existing snag and den trees standing when possible. Minimize damage to advanced hardwood regeneration at all costs.

Northern Hardwood Thinning (10 acres): Cut all trees marked with orange paint, all Balsam Fir and all Aspen. Avoid damage to residual stock at all costs. Leave existing snags standing.

Sale area is 121 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$100.33 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$23.40 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.20 per cord Aspen, \$11.10 per cord Balsam Fir.

Tract 10-11

Sec 15 & 22, R2E, T44N, Town of Carey (Island Lake Road).

Estimated to be: 20 MBF Spruce, 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1345 cord Aspen, 1220 cord Mixed Hardwood, 380 cord Balsam Fir, 140 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all Aspen, Mixed Hardwoods White Spruce, and Balsam Fir to a minimum 4 " top diameter . Utilize hardwoods sawtimber to a 10-inch top diameter, softwoods to a 9-inch top diameter. Decking on town road(s) will have to be approved by town supervisor. Minimize rutting at all cost. Follow all BMP's. No slash left in designated painted red line areas. No logging from April through June.

Sale area is 129 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$70.20 per MBF Spruce, 99.06 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$17.36 per cord Aspen, \$22.32 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$10.54 per cord Balsam Fir, \$19.84 per cord Spruce.

Tract 11-11

Sec 20 & 29, R2E, T45N, Town of Pence (West Branch Rd.).

Estimated to be: 29 MBF Hard Maple, 12 MBF Basswood, 9 MBF Red Oak, 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1700 cord Mixed Hardwood, 175 cord Basswood, 120 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint, all Aspen, and all Ironwood. Utilize pulpwood to a 4-inch top diameter, sawlogs to a 10-inch top diameter. Prevent damage in and around ephemeral ponds and Hemlock stand. Prevent and minimize rutting. Follow all BMP's. Decking on West Branch will have to be granted by town supervisor. No harvesting from April to June.

Sale area is 203 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$277.92 per MBF Hard Maple, \$104.40 per MBF Basswood, \$213.12 per MBF Red Oak, \$91.44 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$22.68 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$7.56 per cord Basswood, \$17.64 per cord Aspen.

Tract 12-11

Sec 32, R1W, T47N, Town of Gurney (Old 10/US 2)
Estimated to be: 400 cord Red Pine, 20 cord Jack Pine

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all Red Pine marked with orange paint containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter and all Jack Pine. Damage to residual trees will result in sale suspension.

Contact the Gas pipeline company prior to trucking over the pipeline and comply with their specifications.

Sale area is 28 acres and is the cross-hatched area on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$41.70 per cord Red Pine, \$33.20 per cord Jack Pine.

Tract 13-11

Sec 34 & 35, R1W, T46N, Town of Gurney (Casey Sag Road).
Estimated to be: 10 MBF Sugar Maple, 7 MBF Red Maple, 3 MBF Basswood, 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 800 cord Mixed Hardwood, 90 cord Basswood, 380 cord Aspen

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area A (101 acres) Marked Hardwood Selection Harvest: Cut all orange marked trees. Cut all aspen (designated) containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. No logging during April, May or June.

Area B (3 acres) Aspen Regeneration Harvest: Cut all aspen containing 2 or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Cut all hardwood stems (except black ash, oak and cherry) 2 inches or greater DBH, utilizing those containing one or more 100-inch pulpsticks. Retain all black ash, oak, cherry and conifers.

GENERAL SALE HARVEST/OPERATIONAL SPECIFICATIONS: Utilize hardwood sawlogs to a 10-inch minimum DIB top and pulpwood to a 4-inch minimum DOB top. New roads must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Existing roads and trails shall be kept free of debris and restored to original condition prior to sale close-out. Excessive rutting or residual stand damage will result in sale suspension or closure. Protect the two blue painted survey corners (iron pipes), one located in the northwestern portion of sale's "Area A" and the second found along the logging access road into "Area B". Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality shall be implemented in all phases of the sale.

Sale area is 104 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$250.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$125.00 per MBF Red Maple, \$124.00 per MBF Basswood, \$120.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$25.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$10.50 per cord Basswood, \$24.50 per cord Aspen

Tract 14-11

Sec 22, R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Chippewa Fire Lane).
Estimated to be: 30 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1200 cord Mixed Hardwood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter except that conifers or trees marked with green paint are not to be cut. Do not

drive equipment within 15 feet of wetland areas except during frozen ground conditions. No logging during April, May or June.

Take care to protect residual trees and regeneration and eliminate rutting.

Sale area is 58 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$108.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$23.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood.

Tract 15-11

Sec 15, 21, 22, R1W, T44N, Town of Anderson (Caroline Fire Lane)

Estimated to be: 5 MBF Hard Maple, 14 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1110 cord Mixed Hardwood, 230 cord Aspen, 35 cord Balsam, 70 cord Spruce. (Mixed Hardwood includes 4 MBF and 40 cord each of white birch and basswood)

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Utilize pulpwood to a 4" top diameter and sawlogs to a 10" top diameter. Do not operate equipment where rutting will occur. Portions of the sale will need to be cut during frozen ground conditions. Follow Wisconsin BMP's at all times.

Clear Cut Area (23 acres): Harvest all trees except oak, hemlock, pine, and cedar. Snags and wildlife trees may be left standing. Cull material may be left in the woods.

Select Cut Area (88 acres): Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen, white birch, balsam, and spruce. Avoid damage to residual trees. No logging during April, May, or June.

Sale Area is approximately 111 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$247.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$100.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$22.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$19.00 per cord Aspen, \$14.10 per cord Balsam, \$25.20 per cord Spruce

Tract 16-11

Sec 26, 27, 34, 35, R1E, T45N, Town of Knight (Snake Track)

Estimated to be: 26 MBF Hard Maple, 37 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 725 cord Mixed Hardwood, 20 cord Aspen, 20 cord Balsam, 20 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all trees marked with orange paint and all white birch and balsam. Cut all spruce and aspen greater than 8 inches dbh. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" minimum top diameter and sawlogs to 10" minimum top diameter. Avoid damage to existing regeneration and residual trees. No logging during April, May, or June. Follow all Wisconsin BMP's. Do not operate equipment where rutting will occur.

Sale Area is approximately 93 acres.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$270.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$121.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$25.20 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$21.00 per cord Aspen, \$15.00 per cord Balsam, \$25.20 per cord Spruce

Tract 17-11

Sec 24 & 25, R1W, T46N, Town of Saxon (Sullivan Fire Lane)

Estimated to be: 69 MBF Hard Maple, 46 MBF White Ash, 23 MBF Basswood, 5 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 2300 cord Mixed Hardwood, 250 cord Basswood, 40 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Utilize pulpwood to a 4-inch top diameter, sawlogs to a 10-inch top diameter. Prevent damage to residual stock. All slash will be left out of existing ephemeral ponds and kept within sale area. Prevent and minimize rutting. Follow all BMP's. No logging from April to June.

Sale Area is approximately 215 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$301.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$111.00 per MBF White Ash, \$113.00 per MBF Basswood, \$99.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$22.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$7.40 per cord Basswood, \$17.40 per cord Aspen.

Tract 19-11

Sec 21, 22 & 28, R3E, T44N, Town of Oma (Cty G)

Estimated to be: 17.72 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 16.15 MBF Basswood, 1538 cord Mixed Hardwood, 253 cord Basswood, 235 cord Spruce, 337 cord Balsam Fir, 920 cord Aspen.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Area 1 (83 Acres) – Harvest all trees marked with orange paint along with all aspen, balsam fir, and spruce. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMPs and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale area boundaries are solid red paint line, two red dots, blue line and the road.

Area 2 (119 acres) – Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMPs and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale area boundaries are solid orange paint line, red line, blue line, and the road.

Sale Area is approximately 202 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$81.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$92.00 per MBF Basswood, \$26.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$8.80 per cord Basswood, \$23.40 per cord Spruce, \$12.40 per cord Balsam Fir, \$20.50 per cord Aspen.

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THE FOLLOWING RESTRICTIONS APPLY TO ALL THE PRECEDING SALES:

All forest roads and recreation trails must be kept free of logging materials during logging operations and as a condition of close out. Some of these materials have a restriction against skidding or cutting during the months of April, May, and June, and will be enforced. Bidders are required to deposit 10% of the total bid value for every species bid on, including balsam fir. Successful bidders will be required to pay an additional deposit before they will be allowed to start their sales or within 6 months of bid opening.

- 15% of bid value for sales greater than \$40,000 in bid value.
- An amount to bring the total bond up to \$10,000 for sales with a bid value from \$10,000 to \$40,000.
- The entire bid value for sales with a bid value under \$10,000.
- 90% of the bid value for purchasers who have previously failed to make timely payments.

The Purchaser will have the option, at the Seller's discretion, to prepay for scale tickets. The prepayment option will require a total bond amount of 25% of bid value.

Bidders who have previously had Iron County timber sale contracts in default or suspended may be required to deposit 100% of the total bid value.

Contractors who choose to use the haul ticket scaling system, for pulpwood, will be held completely responsible for compliance with all rules established for this scaling method by the Iron County Forestry Committee. Copies of Iron County's haul ticket scaling rules can be obtained from the Forestry Office.

The Iron County Forestry Committee requires that all bids be submitted on their bid form. Failure to do so may result in your bid being rejected. The successful bidders will be required to meet with the forester who set up their sale (or forester designated by administrator) before beginning any logging operations. The Iron County Cruiser must be notified either verbally or in writing before any logging activities have begun on these timber sales.

Dumping of garbage, refuse, and intentional draining of motor oil and lubricants onto the ground on lands owned by Iron County is prohibited by Iron County Ordinance #2004. This ordinance specifies a fine not to exceed \$500 and/or a prison term not to exceed 90 days for violations. Persons violating this ordinance will also be responsible for cleanup costs.

Each bid shall be sealed by itself in an envelope, plainly marked with the words, "Timber Sale Bid", the name of the bidder, and the number of the tract that the bid is for, on the front. Information on cutting regulations, restrictions, and timber sale maps may be obtained from the Iron County Forestry Department Office, 607 3rd Avenue North – Suite 2, Hurley, WI 54534 or the Mercer DNR Ranger Station. The Iron County Forestry Committee reserves the right to reject any and/or all bids received, or to accept the bid that it considers to be in the best interest of Iron County.

IRON COUNTY FORESTRY COMMITTEE

James Kichak James Lambert Joseph Pinardi

William Thomas Thomas Thompson, Jr.

IRON COUNTY FORESTRY TIMBER SALE BID FORM

I hereby submit a bid for timber sale tract # _____.

Species	Volume (from Prospectus)	Bid Price	Total
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A check, certified check, money order in an amount that is equal to at least 10% of the total bid value or irrevocable letter-of-credit in an amount that is equal to at least 25% of the total bid must accompany your completed bid form. If you plan to replace your check with an irrevocable letter-of-credit, please indicate that below. Be aware that our department will hold your check only for a maximum of 10 business days after you are selected as a successful bidder, then it will be cashed. If your check is returned to us due to insufficient funds you will not receive a contract for that sale tract.

INSTRUCTIONS:

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