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## **SPRING 2014 IRON COUNTY FORESTRY TIMBER SALE**

Sealed timber sale bids will be accepted for twenty-two (22) timber sale tracts, at the IRON COUNTY FORESTRY DEPARTMENT OFFICE; 607 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue North – Suite 2, Hurley, WI 54534 (Phone: 715/561-2697; Fax: 715/561-4801), until **8:30 A.M. on Tuesday, June 10, 2014.**

Bids received by that time and date will be publicly opened at **9:00 A.M. on Tuesday, June 10, 2014** 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 **November 30, 2016.**
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, 2016. 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 be 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.

**Iron County Forest Cordwood Weight Conversion Factors:** The following weight conversion methods may be used in the conversion of weight scale to standard 128 cubic foot cord.

<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight (lbs)</u>
Hemlock	4,800
Tamarack	4,650
Red Pine	4,500
Jack Pine	4,250
Balsam	4,250
White Pine	4,200
Spruce	4,000
Cedar	3,150
White Oak	5,850
Red Oak	5,500
Yellow Birch	5,350
Hard Maple	5,100
Elm	5,000

Balsam Poplar	4,900
White Birch	4,800
Ash	4,600
Soft Maple	4,550
Aspen	4,500
Basswood	3,850
Mixed Hardwood	4,800

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### **Tract 11-13**

Sec 9, 16, & 17, R2E, T42N, Town of Mercer (Co Hwy FF)

Estimated to be: 1.3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 6 MBF Basswood, 1650 cord Aspen, 230 cord Mixed Hardwood, 480 cord Balsam Fir, 20 cord Spruce, 15 cord Basswood

**HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS:** Utilize pulp to a 4-inch top diameter and saw logs to a 10-inch top diameter. Follow WI BMP's for Water Quality. All woods roads, snowmobile trail and boulder/rock dump must remain clear of tops and debris and must follow the rutting policy. Dry summer/fall logging potential. Recommended late summer/fall harvest in far west aspen sale area to avoid snowmobile trail traffic. If cut in winter, signage will be required. No decking along HWY FF. Leave all cull and den trees standing unless an operation hazard. Leave all hollow logs on site.

**Aspen Stands:** Coppice with standards, regeneration harvest. Harvest all trees 2" greater except hemlock, cedar, white pine, black spruce, and tamarack. Entering western stand early to spread out age class throughout the area. Older, mature aspen and fir located along swamp edges.

**Northern Hardwood:** Harvest all aspen, white birch, balsam fir, and ironwood with at least one 100 inch stick. Harvest all trees marked with and orange slash including non-merchantable stems. Avoid damage to established regeneration and residual trees. No logging activity April through June.

Sale Area is approximately 99 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

**NO BIDS LESS THAN:** \$95.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$95.00 per MBF Basswood, \$16.20 per cord Aspen, \$17.50 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$12.60 per cord Balsam Fir, \$27.00 per cord Spruce, \$3.90 per cord Basswood.

### **Tract 19-13**

Sec 25, R2E, T45N, Town of Carey (Palmquist Rd/Trail 8).

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 300 cord Aspen, 180 cord Mixed Hardwood, 15 cord Basswood, 15 cord Balsam Fir, 10 cord Spruce

**HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS:** Harvest all merchantable trees except Sugar Maple, Yellow Birch, Hemlock and White Pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. Follow all BMPs to protect water quality. Prevent rutting. Suggested harvest conditions: very dry or frozen ground due to wet soil conditions. Snowmobile trail will be kept open throughout the winter.

The sale area is 30 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

**NO BIDS LESS THAN:** \$95.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.80 per cord Basswood, \$12.80 per cord Balsam Fir, \$25.50 per cord Spruce

**Tract 40-13**

Sec 24, R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Game Rd)

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Sugar Maple, 18 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 675 cord Mixed Hardwood, 10 cord Aspen, 10 cord Balsam Fir, 85 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: 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. Harvest will not take place from April 1 through June 30. Sale boundary is solid red line. Access under frozen ground conditions.

Sale area is approximately 68 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$143.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$71.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$13.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$13.00 per cord Aspen, \$10.80 per cord Balsam Fir, \$14.40 per cord Spruce.

**Tract 42-13**

Sec 9; R3E, T42N, Town of Mercer (Popko Circle)

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 400 cord Aspen, 200 cord Mixed Hardwood, 100 cord Spruce, 15 cord Balsam Fir

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all Aspen, Spruce, Balsam Fir and Mixed Hardwoods (including White Birch) containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. Do not Cut Pine and protect any Pine regeneration present. Do not operate equipment within 15 feet of any wetland area or leave tops in wetland areas. Eliminate rutting.

The sale consists of 36 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$25.50 per cord Spruce, \$12.80 per cord Balsam Fir

**Tract 43-13**

Sec 16, R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Chippewa Fire Lane).

Estimated to be: 16 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 800 cord Mixed Hardwood, 120 cord Aspen, 30 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. Damage to residual trees will result in sale suspension. Do not operate equipment within 15 feet of any wetland area or leave tops in wetland areas. Eliminate rutting.

The sale area is 76 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$6.80 per cord Basswood

**Tract 44-13**

Sec 24, R1W, T46N; Sec 19, R1E, T46N, Town of Saxon (Freberg Road)

Estimated to be: 30 MBF Hard Maple, 27 MBF Basswood, 2 MBF White Birch, 6 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 400 cord Mixed Hardwood, 390 cord Basswood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Harvest all merchantable Ironwood. Utilize saw-timber to a 10 inch minimum top diameter, pulpwood to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. Protect residual stems from logging damage. No harvest activity from April to July. Follow all Wisconsin BMPs for Water Quality. Prevent rutting.

The sale consists of 93 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$213.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Basswood, \$106.00 per MBF White Birch, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.00 per cord Basswood.

**Tract 45-13**

Sec 13, 14, 23 & 24; R1W, T46N, Town of Saxon & Gurney (Freburg Rd.)

Estimated to be: 110 MBF Hard Maple, 60 MBF Basswood, 3 MBF White Birch, 15 MBF Ash, 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 784 cord Mixed Hardwood, 302 cord Basswood.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Harvest all merchantable Ironwood. Utilize saw-timber to a 10 inch minimum top diameter, pulpwood to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. Protect residual stems from logging damage. No harvest activity from April to July. Follow all Wisconsin BMPs for Water Quality. Prevent rutting. Do not place tops in old or new gaps.

The sale consists of 185 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$213.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Basswood, \$106.00 per MBF White Birch, \$106.00 per MBF Ash, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$6.80 per cord Basswood.

**Tract 46-13**

Sec 10, 11, 14, 15, R2E, T44N, Town of Carey (Camp 7 Rd).

Estimated to be: 15 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 3600 cord Aspen, 800 cord Mixed Hardwood, 100 cord Balsam Fir

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all Aspen, Hardwood and Balsam Fir on areas containing one or more 100 inch pulpstick to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. Do not cut Spruce, Cedar, Hemlock or Pine. Cutting Black Ash is optional if soil conditions allow. Do not operate equipment within 15 feet of any wetland unless the ground is frozen. Eliminate rutting. Openings must be cleared of slash and debris when sale is completed.

Sale area is 212 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$12.80 per cord Balsam Fir

**Tract 47-13**

Sec 27, R1W, T46N, Town of Gurney (Vogues Rd)

Estimated to be: 31 MBF Hard Maple, 20 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 29 MBF Basswood, 914 cord Mixed Hardwood, 157 cord Basswood, 30 cord Aspen

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" minimum top and saw logs to a 10" minimum top. No logging during April, May, or June. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times and eliminate rutting.

The sale area is 100 acres.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$250.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$125.00 per MBF Basswood, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$5.00 per cord Basswood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen

**Tract 1-14**

Sec 10, R1W, T45N; Town of Anderson (Casey Sag).

Estimated to be: 13 MBF Hard Maple, 16 MBF Basswood, 22 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 980 cord Mixed Hardwood, 55 cord Aspen, 220 cord Basswood, 45 cord Balsam

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all trees marked with orange paint. Harvest all merchantable Ironwood. Utilize saw timber to a 10 inch minimum top diameter, pulpwood to a 4 inch minimum top diameter. Protect advanced regeneration (especially maple, ash, oak and yellow birch) and all residual stems from logging damage. No harvest activity from April to July. Follow all Wisconsin BMPs for Water Quality during harvest and road construction operations. North Country (National Scenic) Trail and its associated structures will be protected and restored to pre-sale conditions before sale closure.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$211.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$106.00 per MBF Basswood, \$106.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.30 per cord Aspen, \$6.80 per cord Basswood, \$12.80 per cord Balsam

**Tract 2-14**

Sec 3 & 10, R2E, T44N, Town of Carey (Island Lake Rd.).

Estimated to be: 11 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 700 cord Mixed Hardwood, 190 cord Aspen, 70 cord Balsam Fir, 310 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Also do not harvest black ash less than 10 inches dbh. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is two red dots.

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

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$71.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$21.80 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$21.80 per cord Aspen, \$18.20 per cord Balsam Fir, \$24.20 per cord Spruce



**Tract 3-14**

Sec 5, 6, T43N, R4E, Town of Mercer (Cedar Ridge Rd.)

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 700 cord Aspen, 200 cord Balsam Fir, 75 cord Mixed Hardwood, 15 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all aspen, mixed hardwoods, spruce, and fir. Do not cut red and white pine, black spruce, and tamarack. Follow all BMP's to prevent and minimize rutting. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soils. Sale area shall be kept free of litter at all times. All slash must be moved from adjacent private land ownership and remain in sale area. Do not disturb survey corners, or any blue line that distinguishes boundary lines.

Sale area is 40 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$15.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$20.00 per cord Spruce.

**Tract 4-14**

Sec 16, T43N, R3E, Town of Mercer (Three Ten Rd, Snomo Trail #12).

Estimated to be: 3 MBF Hard Maple, 4 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1 MBF Basswood, 10 cord Basswood, 420 cord Mixed Hardwood, 50 cord Aspen, 46 cord Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: This sale is accessed via Three Ten Road and an existing snowmobile trail. This sale abuts private lands to the north. The terrain is gently rolling with some moderate slopes with loamy silt/sand soils. 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).

Northern Hardwood Selection Harvest, 51 acres: Cut all orange marked trees, including those trees marked less than 4" in diameter. Cut all white birch, aspen. Cut all balsam fir containing one or more 100-inch pulpsticks.

Sale area is 51 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$250.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$125.00 per MBF Basswood, \$5.00 per cord Basswood, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen \$15.00 per cord Fir.

**Tract 5-14**

Sec 6, R1E, T43N, Town of Knight (Augustine Creek Rd.).

Estimated to be: 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 112 cord Mixed Hardwood, 53 cord Aspen, 53 cord Balsam Fir, 66 cord Spruce.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is two red dots and blue line.

Sale area is 21 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$71.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$14.40 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$14.40 per cord Aspen, \$12.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$16.00 per cord Spruce.

**Tract 6-14**

Sec 15 & 22, R2E, T44N, Town of Carey (Island Lake Rd./Hogsback Rd.)

Estimated to be: 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1 MBF Hard Maple, 1300 cord Aspen, 900 cord Mixed Hardwood, 380 cord Spruce, 150 cord Balsam Fir.

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest all aspen, mixed hardwoods, white spruce, and balsam fir to a minimum 4-inch top diameter and sawtimber to a 10-inch top diameter, softwoods to a 9-inch top diameter. **Do not cut oak, black spruce, cedar, or tamarack.** Follow all BMP's to prevent and minimize rutting. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soils. Sale area shall be kept free of litter at all times. All slash will remain in designated sale area.

Sale area is 130 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$250.00 per MBF Hard Maple, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$20.00 per cord Spruce, \$15.00 per cord Balsam Fir

**Tract 7-14**

Sec 29 & 32, R1E, T45N, Town of Anderson (O'Brien Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 1 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 450 cord Aspen, 75 cord Spruce, 50 cord Balsam Fir, 10 cord Mixed Hardwood

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all aspen, mixed hardwoods, spruce, and fir. Cut all other stems 2 inches and larger. Do not cut pine, cherry, or elm, Follow all BMP's to prevent and minimize rutting. Care should be taken during harvesting to minimize any detrimental effects to the soils. Sale area shall be kept free of litter at all times. All slash must be moved from adjacent private land ownership and remain in sale area. Do not disturb any blue line that distinguishes boundary lines.

Sale area is 25 acres and is the cross-hatched area on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$20.00 per cord Spruce, \$15.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood

**Tract 9-14**

Sec 10, 14, 15, R3E, T42N, Town of Mercer (Deer Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 3 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1750 cord Aspen, 800 cord Mixed Hardwood, 35 cord Balsam Fir, 10 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Cut all aspen, mixed hardwoods, balsam fir, and white spruce that contain a DBH of 2". Utilize all pulpwood to a minimum 4-inch top diameter, all hardwood sawtimber to a 10-inch minimum top diameter, and softwood sawtimber to a 9-inch top diameter. Do not cut or damage any red or white pine, hemlock, or oak. Sale will be free of litter at all times. All BMP'S will be followed. All slash will remain in designated sale area. The sale is accessed via Deer Lake Road.

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

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$15.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$20.00 per cord Spruce

**Tract 10-14**

Sec 26, 27, 34, 35, R2E, T45N, Town of Carey (Island Lake Rd./Spring Camp Falls Rd.)

Estimated to be: 25 MBF Basswood, 8 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 1150 cord Mixed Hardwood, 220 cord Aspen, 100 cord Basswood, 15 cord Balsam Fir, 15 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Select cut area (141 acres): Harvest all trees marked with orange paint and all aspen, white birch, and balsam fir greater than 10 inch dbh. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" minimum top and saw logs to a 10" minimum top. No logging during April, May, or June. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times and eliminate rutting.

Regeneration patches (2 acres and 4 acres): Harvest all trees except pine, hemlock, and oak. Utilize pulpwood to a 4" minimum top and saw logs to a 10" minimum top. Follow Wisconsin BMPs at all times and eliminate rutting.

Sale area is 147 acres.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$125.00 per MBF Basswood, \$125.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$18.00 per cord Aspen, \$5.00 per cord Basswood, \$15.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$20.00 per cord Spruce

**Tract 11-14**

Sec 27, R3E, T44N Town of Oma; (Cty Rd G.)

Estimated to be: 2 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 110 cord Mixed Hardwood, 100 cord Aspen, 45 cord Balsam Fir, 120 cord Spruce

HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS: Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Also do not harvest black ash less than 10 inches in diameter. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is two red dots, blue line, and County Road G.

Sale Area is 24 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

NO BIDS LESS THAN: \$78.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.70 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$16.70 per cord Aspen, \$14.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$18.60 per cord Spruce

**Tract 12-14**

Sec 16 & 21, R1W, T44N, Town of Anderson (Caroline Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 9 MBF Sugar Maple, 20 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 930 cord Mixed Hardwood, 210 cord Aspen, 105 cord Balsam Fir, 180 cord Spruce, 5 cord Basswood

**HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS:** Harvest Specifications Area 1 (25 acres) Harvest everything greater than 5 inches dbh. Leave all cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Protect existing seedling and saplings as much as possible. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is solid red line.

Harvest Specifications Area 2 (77 acres) Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Also do not harvest black ash that is less than 10 inches in diameter. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. The parts of the stand south of the Caroline Lake Road will probably be better suited for winter logging. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is two red dots and blue line.

Sale Area is approximately 102 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

**NO BIDS LESS THAN:** \$143.00 per MBF Sugar Maple, \$71.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$14.40 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$14.40 per cord Aspen, \$12.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$16.00 per cord Spruce, \$4.00 per cord Basswood.

**Tract 13-14**

Sec 36, R1E, T45N, Town of Knight (Island Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 11 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 680 cord Mixed Hardwood, 50 cord Aspen, 140 cord Balsam Fir, 310 cord Spruce

**HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS:** Area 1 (47 acres): Harvest all trees marked with orange paint along with all balsam fir, spruce, and aspen greater than 8 inches in diameter. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Harvest will not take place from April 1<sup>st</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup>. Sale boundary is solid red line and blue line.

Area 2 (37 acres): Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Also do not harvest black ash less than 10 inches dbh. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is two red dots.

Sale Area is approximately 84 acres and is cross-hatched on the map.

**NO BIDS LESS THAN:** \$78.00 per MBF Mixed Hardwood, \$16.70 per cord Mixed Hardwood, \$16.70 per cord Aspen, \$14.00 per cord Balsam Fir, \$18.60 per cord Spruce

**Tract CL 1-14**

Sec 27 & 34, R3E, T44N Town of Oma (Cramer Lake Rd.)

Estimated to be: 6 MBF Mixed Hardwood, 230 cord Mixed Hardwood, 210 cord Aspen, 140 cord Balsam Fir, 275 cord Spruce

**HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS:** Area 1 (2 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 BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Harvest will not take place from April 1<sup>st</sup> through July 1<sup>st</sup>. Sale boundary is solid red line and blue line.

Harvest Specifications Area 2 (45 acres) Harvest everything 2 inches dbh and up, except for cedar, hemlock, tamarack, and pine. Also do not harvest black ash less than 10 inches in diameter. Utilize pulpwood to a 4 inch top diameter, sawlogs to a minimum 10 inch top diameter. Follow the BMP's and prevent/minimize rutting along with damage to residual trees. Sale boundary is two red dots and blue line.

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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 3<sup>rd</sup> 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**

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