

**FLORENCE COUNTY FOREST TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
2009 FALL SALE**

Sealed bids so marked on the envelope will be received by the Florence County Forest Administrator, on behalf of the Florence County Forestry & Parks Committee, for the sale of timber stumpage on designated areas of Florence County Land in accordance with conditions set forth by the Committee. **BIDS WILL BE RECEIVED AT THE FLORENCE COUNTY FORESTRY & PARKS OFFICE, FLORENCE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER UNTIL 4:00 P.M., TUESDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2009.**

**ADDRESS:
FLORENCE COUNTY FORESTRY AND PARKS DEPARTMENT
FLORENCE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER
5617 FORESTRY DRIVE
FLORENCE, WI 54121**

**TEL: (715) 528-3207 ext. 104, 105 or 120
FAX: (715) 528-5172**

BIDS WILL BE PUBLICLY OPENED AT 9:00 A.M., WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14, 2009, IN THE CEDAR CONFERENCE ROOM, LOCATED IN THE UPPER LEVEL OF THE FLORENCE NATURAL RESOURCE CENTER. SALES WILL BE AWARDED AT 3:30 P.M., WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 14, 2009, BY THE FLORENCE COUNTY FORESTRY AND PARKS COMMITTEE at their regular meeting. The Committee reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept the bids most advantageous to Florence County.

Bids must be made on the standard form prescribed by the Committee or a reasonable facsimile thereof, and must be plainly marked on the outside of the envelope **“SEALED BID COUNTY TIMBER STUMPAGE”**.

BIDS FOR EACH SALE MUST BE ITEMIZED BY SPECIES AND PRODUCT.

A person may bid on any or all designated sale areas. **IF A PERSON BIDS ON SEVERAL SALES AND IS SUCCESSFUL ON MORE TRACTS THAN DESIRED, A WRITTEN STATEMENT SHOULD BE INCLUDED WITH THE BIDS INDICATING THE NUMBER OF JOBS DESIRED AND THE JOB OR JOBS PREFERRED. THE COMMITTEE WILL WITHDRAW BIDS OF SECONDARY CHOICE IF PROPERLY INSTRUCTED WITH THE BID.**

Appraised minimum stumpage prices for all sales will be kept by the Committee and not advertised.

Sales will be awarded to the bid most advantageous to Florence County.

All County Sales require proof of Worker's Compensation and Liability Insurance.

If bidding on more than one sale, **a separate check for each sale must accompany the bid.** A Certified, Personal, or Cashier's Check, Bank or Postal Money order is acceptable. Checks should be made payable to Florence County in the amount of 10% of the total individual bid. Checks and money orders of the unsuccessful bidders will be returned.

The successful bidder must be prepared to deposit an additional fifteen percent of the total bid before cutting begins except sales that are to be paid as Lump Sum, which only require a ten percent total down payment or Letter of Credit.

AT THE DISCRETION OF THE FORESTRY & PARKS COMMITTEE CONTRACTORS MAY BE REQUIRED TO HAVE A PERFORMANCE BOND EQUAL TO THE TOTAL VALUE OF THE SALE.

Florence County encourages appropriate training of logging contractors. Successful purchasers of Florence County stumpage will need to ensure that the actual logging contractor complies with the Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC).

Letters of Credit and Bonds must extend eighteen months beyond the Contract expiration date. The total Bond deposit shall be evidence of the bidder's intention to faithfully carry out the provisions of the Timber Sale Contract. County policy is not to award a bid to a contractor who is delinquent in payment of scale, in turning in scale slips, or has a history of not meeting Contract obligations.

LUMP SUM SALES: THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS WILL APPLY ON THESE SALES: SALES #1, #5, and #7

One hundred percent payment on the estimated volumes shall be made prior to cutting. Payments on sales with stumpage of more than \$15,000.00 may be paid by block **"per cut unit"** with agreement of the Forest Administrator. Volumes to be cut are not guaranteed. If the volume of timber exceeds the estimate, as a whole or by species, the purchaser has the obligation to cut and remove it. If there is less timber than estimated, there is no obligation to make up the deficiency. The timber designated or marked will not be changed to increase the cut to the estimate. **All prospective bidders are urged to examine this timber and to make their own estimate of quantity and quality.**

LOCK BOX TICKET SYSTEM SALES: THE FOLLOWING CONDITIONS WILL APPLY. SALE #2, #3, #4, and #6

A three-part ticket set is used. The ticket contains information as to the sale number, date, time of day the wood is hauled, trucker, destination, species, approximate volume, and truck. Tickets are numbered serially. Each copy of the ticket has the ticket number on it. Tickets are bound in books of 25 three-part sets. Each ticket book has a cover on which to record the name of the forest in bold letters, the timber sale number, and the contractor's name. Tickets are issued to the contractor by the County Forest Administrator and/or sale administrator. A record of ticket numbers is maintained. Contractors are held accountable for all tickets issued. Contractors are responsible for assuring that their haulers have the appropriate tickets in their trucks. Truck drivers complete the ticket as they leave the sale area and deposit the first copy in the lock box. When they reach the destination mill, the drivers give the second copy of the ticket to the scaler. The scaler attaches this copy of the ticket to a copy of the scale slip. Periodically the scale slips with the attached tickets are returned to the County Forest Administrator. The third copy of the ticket is the contractor's copy. As a condition of the sale contract, contractors agree that their trucker may be checked for compliance while enroute. For scale done by weight, the cordwood weight conversion factors found in the timber sale handbook will be used to convert weight to cords. See table below for all weights including a mixed hardwood weight.

CORDWOOD WEIGHT CONVERSION FACTORS

(POUNDS PER CORD)

Species	Weight
Hemlock	4800
Tamarack	4650
Red pine	4500
Jack pine	4250
Balsam	4250
White pine	4200
Spruce	4000
Cedar	3150
White oak	5850
Red oak	5500
Hickory	5400
Yellow birch	5350
Hard maple	5100
Beech	5050
Elm	5000
Balsam poplar	4900
White birch	4800
Cottonwood	4650
Ash	4600
Soft maple	4550
Aspen	4500
Basswood	3850
Locust	5300
Mixed Hardwood	4800

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If applicable, roadwork will be specified on the sale map to either be done by the County or specified where to be built by the Contractor.

Machine processing in selectively harvested areas will be at the discretion of the Florence County Forest Administrator.

NO SALE MAY BEGIN WITHOUT PROPER NOTIFICATION AND A MEETING WITH A FLORENCE COUNTY TIMBER SALE ADMINISTRATOR AT THE SALE.

If you are interested in maps of the sale areas go to <http://www.florencewisconsin.com/ForestryAndParks/Timber%20Sales.htm> or please contact: Lois Weber, 715-528-3207 Ext 104.

Anyone wishing more information regarding these sale areas should contact:

Patrick Smith, Florence County Forestry and Parks Administrator, of the Florence County Forestry and Parks Department, TEL: (715) 528-3207- Ext. 105, **Jeremy Koslowski, Florence County Forestry and Parks Assistant Administrator**, (715) 528-3207- Ext 120, or **Stuart Boren, DNR Forester**, (715) 528-4400 Ext. 112, all located at the Florence Natural Resource Center in Florence, WI.

Florence County reserves the right to reject any or all bids and to accept any bid they deem to be most advantageous to Florence County.

ALL SALES MUST HAVE BIDS ITEMIZED BY SPECIES AND PRODUCT.

THE FOLLOWING SEVEN (7) COUNTY TIMBER SALES BEING OFFERED FOR THE FALL 2009 SALE:

SALE #1 – POP-PLE GOES THE WEASEL SALE - DESCRIPTION – NE1/4 SECTION 6, NW1/4 SECTION 5, T38N-R18E TOWN OF HOMESTEAD, SE1/4 SECTION 31, SW1/4 SECTION 32, T39N-R18E TOWN OF COMMONWEALTH

TWO YEAR CONTRACT - LUMP SUM SALE - 65 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
ASPEN	1110 CORDS	475 CORDS	
MIXED HDWD	155 CORDS	40 CORDS	
TOTAL	1265 CORDS	515 CORDS	

SALE #2 – GUTPILE SOUTH SALE– DESCRIPTION – S1/2 SECTION 24, N1/2 SECTION 25 T38N-R17E TOWN OF HOMESTEAD.

TWO YEAR CONTRACT - LOCK BOX TICKET SYSTEM SALE - 121 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
OAK	650 CORDS	350 CORDS	7 MBF
MIXED HDWD	85 CORDS	30 CORDS	
ASPEN	15 CORDS		
TOTAL	750 CORDS	380 CORDS	7 MBF

SALE #3 – UPLUNDS SALE - DESCRIPTION – NE1/4 SECTION 21 T38N-R17E TOWN OF FENCE.

TWO YEAR CONTRACT - LOCK BOX TICKET SYSTEM SALE - 84 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
MIXED HDWD	500 CORDS	165 CORDS	3 MBF
BASSWOOD	270 CORDS	145 CORDS	22 MBF
ASPEN	120 CORDS	80 CORDS	
BALSAM FIR	30 CORDS		
WHITE ASH	IN MX	IN MX	5 MBF
WHITE BIRCH	IN MX	IN MX	4 MBF
TOTAL	920 CORDS	390 CORDS	34 MBF

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SALE #4 - TWIN DRAGON SALE - DESCRIPTION - SECTION 34, T38N-R17E TOWN OF HOMESTEAD.

THREE YEAR CONTRACT - LOCK BOX TICKET SYSTEM SALE - 237 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
ASPEN	1205 CORDS	255 CORDS	
MIXED HDWD	1025 CORDS	305 CORDS	3 MBF
SPRUCE	460 CORDS	120 CORDS	
BASSWOOD	145 CORDS	50 CORDS	48 MBF
RED PINE	130 CORDS	85 CORDS	
BALSAM FIR	65 CORDS		
OAK	IN MX	IN MX	11 MBF
HARD MAPLE	IN MX	IN MX	32 MBF
WHITE ASH	IN MX	IN MX	9 MBF
TOTAL	3030 CORDS	815 CORDS	103 MBF

SALE #5 - 1-MILE SALE - DESCRIPTION - N1/2 SECTION 8 T38N-R18E, TOWN OF HOMESTEAD.

THREE YEAR CONTRACT - LUMP SUM SALE - 79 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
ASPEN	445 CORDS	295 CORDS	
MIXED HDWD	405 CORDS	100 CORDS	3 MBF
WHITE BIRCH	235 CORDS	125 CORDS	23 MBF
OAK	135 CORDS	70 CORDS	17 MBF
JACK PINE	85 CORDS		
TOTAL	1305 CORDS	590 CORDS	43 MBF

SALE #6 - DEAD OX SALE - DESCRIPTION - SECTION 24, N1/2 SECTION 25, T38N-R17E, TOWN OF HOMESTEAD.

TWO YEAR CONTRACT - LOCK BOX TICKET SYSTEM SALE - 84 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
OAK	1030 CORDS	555 CORDS	87 MBF
MIXED HDWD	205 CORDS	50 CORDS	
ASPEN	70 CORDS	15 CORDS	
BALSAM FIR	10 CORDS		
TOTAL	1315 CORDS	620 CORDS	87 MBF

SALE #7 - BUG-IN-EYE SALE - DESCRIPTION - E1/2 SECTION 32, W1/2 SECTION 33, T38N-R18E, TOWN OF HOMESTEAD.

TWO YEAR CONTRACT - LUMP SUM SALE - 66 ACRES

SPECIES	PULP	BOLTS	LOGS
OAK	880 CORDS	375 CORDS	
MIXED HDWD	250 CORDS	40 CORDS	
ASPEN	145 CORDS	35 CORDS	
TOTAL	1275 CORDS	450 CORDS	
