## TIMBER SALE ADVERTISEMENT

**TIMBER FOR SALE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT.** ORAL AUCTION BIDS as hereinafter designated will be received by the District Manager, or designated representative of the Bureau of Land Management, 777 NW Garden Valley Blvd., Roseburg, Oregon 97471, at 10:00 a.m., PST on **July 26, 2022**, for all timber marked or designated for cutting. Before bids are submitted, full information concerning the timber, the conditions of sale and submission of bids, including appraised prices per species, should be obtained from the above District Manager, or designated representative. 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.

The decision was posted to the BLM's ePlanning website on **June 28, 2022**, referring to the Last Call and Hazard Tree Removal Determination of NEPA Adequacy and Decision Record, (NEPA No. DOI-BLM-ORWA-R040-2022-0005-DNA). This decision implements actions analyzed in the Archie Creek Fire Salvage Harvest and Hazard Tree Removal Environmental Assessment, (NEPA No. DOI-BLM-ORWA-R040-2021-0001-EA).

IN DOUGLAS COUNTY: OREGON: O&C AND PUBLIC DOMAIN: ORAL AUCTION: SCALE SALE: <u>SUSAN HONEY HAZARD TREES</u>: All timber designated for cutting on certain Federal lands in Sections 1, 11, 12, 13, and 14, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., Willamette Meridian, estimated for the purpose of this sale to be 1,797 M bd. ft. No written bid for less than \$90,566.60 will be considered. The minimum deposit with written bid is \$9,100.00.

For the purposes of 43 CFR 5401.0-6 and 5430.0-6, this advertisement is being published on **07/12/2022** and **07/19/2022**.

This advertisement includes:

(1) 2022.0012, Susan Honey Hazard Trees Scale Sale 1,797 MBF

UNITED STATES
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
777 NW Garden Valley Blvd.
Roseburg, Oregon 97471

Date: July 12, 2022

### TIMBER SALE NOTICE

**NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN** that the Bureau of Land Management will offer for sale timber as described herein for oral auction, pursuant to Instructions to Bidders, as stated on Form No. 5440-009, attached. Written and oral bids will be received by the District Manager, or designated representative, at 777 NW Garden Valley Boulevard, Roseburg, Oregon 97471. The timber sale will commence at 10:00 a.m., on Tuesday, **July 26, 2022**.

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

**NOTICE OF LITIGATION:** The Archie Creek Fire Salvage Harvest and Hazard Tree Removal Environmental Assessment (EA), which underlies the Susan Honey Hazard Trees, Contract # ORR04-TS-2022.0012, has been challenged in the United States District Court for the District of Oregon, Eugene Division. The plaintiffs have requested that the Court vacate and set aside the Decision Record(s), FONSI, and EA. The Authorized Officer may exercise his/her discretion to award the contract-for this sale without waiting for a judgement from the Court. The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) will proceed with normal bidding on this tract.

Although the BLM does not know at this time how the Court will rule, the BLM is providing this notice to advise all bidders that significant delays may occur before award of the contract or before any operations may be undertaken. Additionally, an adverse ruling may require the BLM to suspend, cancel, or modify the contract. The Authorized Officer retains the right to reject all bids associated with this tract.

Any written bids submitted prior to bidder receipt of written notification of this litigation may be withdrawn prior to the start of oral bidding. The high bidder must submit the signed Notice of Litigation Acknowledgement form along with their written bid or immediately following the auction.

**A WRITTEN BID** on Form No. 5440-009 at no less than the appraised price on a unit basis per species and the required minimum bid deposit shall be required to participate in oral bidding for this tract. Oral bidding will be restricted to Douglas-fir.

The purchase of this salvage timber entitles the purchaser to volume-for-volume and contract term-for-contract term extensions without reappraisal of qualifying BLM contracts for green timber held by the Purchaser.

**THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER**, as a condition of award, will be required to complete and/or sign the following form:

1. Form No. 5450-017, Export Determination.

**PRE-AWARD QUALIFICATIONS**. The high bidder may be required to furnish information to determine the ability to perform the obligations of the contract. If the high bidder is determined not qualified, responsible or refuses to respond within fifteen (15) days of a request for information pertaining to qualifications, the contract may be offered and awarded for the amount of the high bid to the highest of the bidders who is qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract.

**A PERFORMANCE BOND** in an amount not less than twenty (20) percent of the total purchase price will be required for all contracts of \$10,000 or more, but the amount of the bond shall not be in excess of \$500,000, except when the Purchaser opts to increase the minimum bond as provided in 43 CFR 5451.2. A minimum performance bond of not less than \$500 will be required for all installment contracts less than 10,000.

**INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS** may be authorized for sales of \$500 or more. Required installments will be determined by BLM. For sales under \$500,000, installments will not be less than ten (10) percent of the total purchase price. For sales of \$500,000 or more, installment payments shall be \$50,000.

**"LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION:** All timber sales, including timber from Federal rights-of-ways, shall be subject to the restrictions relating to the export and substitution of unprocessed timber from the United States in accordance with P.L. 94-165 and 43 CFR 5400 and 5424 as amended."

**"LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS:** Excepting Port-Orford-cedar, all timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from being used as a substitute for exported private timber."

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** concerning this timber sale tract described herein is available at the above District Office. Copies of the timber sale contract is also available for inspection at the District Office.

For help with its data or information, please contact the Roseburg District Office at 541-440-4930.

### **Attachments:**

Form No. 5440-9 Deposit and Bid for Timber/Vegetative Resource Notice of Litigation Acknowledgement Form

# **SCALE SALE**

**Sale Date:** July 26, 2022

(1) Roseburg Sale No.: 2022.0012 Sale Name: Susan Honey Hazard Trees

Douglas County, Oregon: O&C, PD: Oral Auction

Bid Deposit Required: \$9,100.00

All timber designated for cutting on:

Lot 1, SE1/4NE1/4, N1/2SE1/4, SW1/4SE1/4	Sec. 1,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
SE1/4SE1/4	Sec. 11,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
E½NW¼	Sec. 12,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
N½NW¼,	Sec. 13,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian
NE1/4NE1/4	Sec. 14,	T. 26 S.,	R. 2 W.,	Willamette Meridian

Approx. Number Merch. Trees	Est. Vol. MBF 32' Log	Species	Est. Vol. MBF 16' Log	Appraised Price Per MBF		Est. Volume Times Appraised Price
2,546	1,417	Douglas-fir	1,744	\$50.60	*	\$88,246.40
37	31	Incense-cedar	38	\$37.20	*	\$1,413.60
30	6	Western Hemlock	8	\$24.30	*	\$194.40
17	4	Western Redcedar	5	\$134.00	*	\$670.00
3	1	Grand Fir	1	\$26.00	*	\$26.00
2	1	Sugar Pine	1	\$16.20	*	\$16.20
2,635	1,460		1,797			\$90,566.60

<sup>\*</sup>Surplus species stumpage has been reduced to compensate for species stumpage below minimum price policy (10% of pond value).

**THE VOLUMES LISTED** herein are estimates only, based on 16-foot taper breaks, which must be taken into consideration if comparisons are made with volume predictions based on other standards. The volumes based on 32-foot taper breaks are shown for comparison purposes. No sale shall be made for less than the total actual purchase price.

<u>APPRAISED PRICES</u> are determined by analytical appraisal methods unless otherwise noted on individual timber sale notices.

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Excepting Port-Orford-cedar, all timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from being used as a substitute for exported private timber.

**CRUISE INFORMATION:** The Douglas-fir has been cruised using the 3P system to select sample trees. The sample trees have been cruised and their volume computed on form class tables for estimating volume in 16-foot lengths. This volume is then expanded to a total sale volume. A map showing the location of the sample trees is available at the Roseburg District Office. The volume of all other species have been determined by individual tree measurements using a 100% cruise.

With respect to merchantable trees of all species: the average tree is 24.7 inches D.B.H.O.B., the average log contains 183 bd. ft., the total gross volume is approximately 2657 MBF and 68% recovery is expected.

<u>CUTTING AREA</u>: This sale is comprised of blue-marked roadside danger trees in a portion of the Archie Creek fire area. The approximate locations where trees are marked for cutting are shown on the Exhibit A map.

**TIMBER ACREAGE:** Estimates include approximately 18 acres of hazard tree clearing in Section 1, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M., approximately 3 acres of hazard tree clearing in Section 11, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M., approximately 8 acres of hazard tree clearing in Section 12, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M., approximately 10 acres of hazard tree clearing in Section 13, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M., and approximately 5 acres of hazard tree clearing in Section 14, T. 26 S., R. 2 W., W.M, for a grand total of 44 acres.

**ACCESS**: Access to the sale area is provided by Government and Private controlled roads.

<u>DIRECTIONS TO SALE AREA</u>: From Roseburg, proceed east on State Highway 138 (North Umpqua Highway) approximately 29 miles to Boundary Road (County Road 4H) and follow the Exhibit C map to the sale area.

**ROAD MAINTENANCE**: Rockwear fees required to be paid to the BLM are estimated at \$6,118.49; the final amount due will be adjusted based on the final scaled timber volume. Rockwear fees required to be paid to Lone Rock Timberland Co are estimated at \$2,838.53; the final amount due will be adjusted based on the final scaled timber volume.

<u>DURATION OF CONTRACT</u> will be <u>12 months</u> for cutting and removal of timber. The contract will contain SPECIAL PROVISIONS regarding: logging; road construction, renovation, maintenance, and use; environmental protection; fire prevention; slash disposal; log exports; and safety.

<u>ADDITIONAL INFORMATION</u>: This prospectus includes maps and tables that cannot be made Section 508 compliant. For help with its data or information, please contact the Roseburg District Office at 541-440-4930.

### **NOTES:**

- 1. 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 or to prevent incidental take of northern spotted owls in accordance with management direction in the Record of Decision (ROD) and Resource Management Plan (RMP), or; (2) Comply with a stay or remedy issued by the Interior Board of Land Appeals or a court order, or; (3) Protect species which were identified for protection in accordance with management direction established in the ROD and RMP.
- 2. Seasonal restrictions apply to this sale regarding logging operations. Refer to Sections 42(A)(9) for details. A "seasonal restriction matrix" is included with this prospectus to serve as a guide in planning and scheduling operations.
- 3. A license agreement/permit with the Lone Rock Timberland Co. is required. The terms and conditions of the license agreement/permit are available for inspection at the Roseburg District Office.

- 4. Slash disposal requirements consist of the following: machine piling, covering and burning slash and debris within a fifty (50) foot radius of landings. Refer to Section 42(E) for details.
- 5. An additional Special Provision will be utilized for the cutting of any bearing tree, where cutting is necessary. Refer to Section 41 for details.
- 6. Additional Fire Prevention and Control provisions are required pertaining to fire fighting tools and smoking during Oregon Department of Forestry regulated use closures. Refer to Section 42(D) for details.
- 7. A revised Special Provision has been added to the contract which pertains to the Purchaser requirements for Log Exports. Refer to Section 42(F) for details.

# **Seasonal Restriction Matrix**

# U.S. Department of the Interior **Bureau of Land Management**

**Susan Honey Hazard Trees** Contract # ORR04-TS-2022.0012

Note: This matrix is provided to serve prospective purchasers as a guide only; refer to the timber sale contract Special Provisions for a complete statement of the seasonal operating restrictions.

	Seasonal Res	tric	ction																							
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Area	Activity	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	15	1	16	1	15	1	16	1	16	31	1	16	1	15	1	15	1	15
Roadside	Falling and bucking																									
Hazard Trees (Restricted Owl	Cable yarding on rocked roads									H																
Habitat Areas) <sup>1</sup>	Loading on rocked roads																									
	Hauling on rocked roads																									
Roadside	Falling and bucking																									
Hazard Trees (65 yards off	Cable yarding on rocked roads																									
Restricted Owl	Loading on rocked roads																									
Habitat Areas) <sup>2</sup>	Hauling on rocked roads																									
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	Hauling on rocked roads																									

Northern Spotted Owl restricted habitat seasonal operating restrictions will be in effect from March 1 through August 15.
 Northern Spotted Owl restricted habitat seasonal operating restrictions will be in effect from March 1 through July 15 for areas within 65 yards of Restricted Owl.

Form 5440-009 (June 2022)

**DEPOSIT AND BID FOR: (Check One):** 

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

advertised price will not be considered. If the bid is rejected the deposit will be returned.

Name of Bidder
Tract Number (1) 2022.0012
Sale Name Susan Honey Hazard Trees
Sale Notice (dated) 07/12/2022 Roseburg District BLM
BLM Office
777 NW Garden Valley Blvd.,

<b>✓</b> Timber and/or Other Wood Products	07/12/2022 Roseburg District BLM							
(Examples of Other Wood Products: biomass, firewood, posts, poles,  ── Vegetative Resources (Examples of Vegetative Resources: boughs, pinyon nuts, cones, plan	777 NW Garden Valley Blvd.,							
Sealed Bid for Sealed Bid Sale	✓ Written Bid for Oral Auction Sale							
Deadline for accepting sealed bids a.m. p.m.	Sale commences 10:00							
On (date) Place	On (date) 07/26/2022 Place BLM, Roseburg District							
In response to the above dated Sale Notice, the required deposit and bid are hereby submitted for the purchase of designated Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources on the tract specified above.								
Required bid deposit is \$ 9,100.00 and is enclosed in the	e form of:							
cash money order cashier's check certified check	ck 🔲 bank draft							
☐ bid bond of corporate surety on approved list of the United States Treasury ☐ guaranteed remittance approved by the authorized officer.								
IT IS AGREED That the bid deposit shall be retained by the United States as liquidated damages if the bid is accepted and the undersigned fails to execute and return the contract, together with any required performance bond and any required payment within								

# BID SCHEDULE – TIMBER AND/OR OTHER WOOD PRODUCTS OR VEGETATIVE RESOURCES

30 days after the contract is received by the successful bidder. If not otherwise specified in the advertisement, bids for less than the

NOTE: Bidders should carefully check computations in completing the Bid Schedule

		ORAL BID MADE				
PRODUCT & SPECIES	UNIT of MEASURE	ESTIMATED VOLUME OR QUANITY	UNIT PRICE	PRODUCT VALUE (Quantity X Price)	UNIT PRICE	PRODUCT VALUE (Quantity X Price)
Douglas-fir	MBF	1,744	\$	\$	\$	= \$
Incense-cedar	MBF	38	\$ 37.20	\$ 1,413.60	\$	= \$
Western Hemlock	MBF	8	\$ 24.30	\$ 194.40	\$	= \$
Western Redcedar	MBF	5	\$ 134.00	\$ 670.00	\$	= \$
Grand Fir	MBF	1	\$ 26.00	\$ 26.00	\$	= \$
Sugar Pine	MBF	1	\$ 16.20	\$ 16.20	\$	= \$
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		TOTAL PUR	CHASE PRICE	\$		\$

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If sale contract is executed, undersigned is liable for total purchase procentract. Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resource volume or quantity shown above.							
Bid submitted on (date)							
composed wholly of such citizens, or a corporation authoriz  (b) The signatory is the age of majority in the state of the sale.  (c) The signatory is an authorized representative if not signing on behalf of the bidder.  (d) The signatory and any affiliates have not exported unprocess states in the 24-months prior to the sale date shown on this j  (e) The signatory's bid was arrived at by bidder or offeror indep or offeror.  (f) The signatory and any affiliates are not currently suspended	oendently and was tendered without collusion with any other bidder or debarred from contracting with the Federal government unless acceptance of Acquisition and Property Management (exception must be						
1. Signature, if firm is individually owned	4. Name of firm (type or print)						
Signatures, if firm is a partnership or L.L.C.     i	5. Business address, include zip code (type or print)						
ii	Email: Contact Number:						
3. Corporation - organized under the state laws of:	(To be completed following oral bidding)						
Signature of Authorized Corporate Officer:	I HEREBY confirm the above oral bid By (signature):						
Title:							
	Date						
Submit bid to qualify for either an oral auction or sealed bid sale, together wi Make remittance payable to: "Department of the Interior – BLM"  Oral Auction – Submit to Sale Supervisor prior to closing of qualifying perior Sealed Bid – Send to Contracting Officer, who issued the sale notice, in a sea (1) "Bid for Timber and/or Other Wood Products" or "Bid for Vegetative Forms bids are to be energed.	d for tract.  aled envelope marked on the outside with:						
<ul> <li>(2) Time bids are to be opened.</li> <li>(3) Legal description.</li> <li>(4) Sale name and number.</li> </ul>							

#### **NOTICES**

The Privacy Act and the regulations in 43 CFR 2.223(d) require that you be furnished with the following information:

AUTHORITY: 38 FR 6280 and 43 CFR 5442.1

PRINCIPAL PURPOSE: To qualify an oral auction bidder, and then if successful, to bind bidder to certain contract conditions.

**ROUTINE USES:** To determine that an individual is qualified to participate in oral auction bidding, and, as surety that bidder will fulfill contract requirements.

**EFFECT OF NOT PROVIDING INFORMATION:** Filing this deposit and bid information is necessary only when an individual wishes to participate in a sealed or auction bid sale for Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources.

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### **INSTRUCTIONS TO BIDDERS**

- 1. AUTHORITY Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources, located on the revested Oregon and California Railroad Grant Lands and on the reconveyed Coos Bay Wagon Road Grant Lands is administered and sold pursuant to authority of the Act of August 28, 1937 (50 Stat. 874; 43 U.S.C. 2601); Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources located on other public lands of the United States under jurisdiction of the Bureau of Land Management are administered and sold pursuant to authority of the Act of July 31, 1947 (61 Stat. 681), as amended, by the Act of July 23, 1955 (69 Stat. 367; 30 U.S.C. 601 et. seq.). Regulations of the Secretary of the Interior governing sale of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources, are codified in 43 CFR Group 5400.
- 2. QUALIFICATIONS OF BIDDERS A bidder for sale of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources must be either (a) a citizen of the United States, (b) a partnership composed wholly of such citizens, (c) an unincorporated association composed wholly of such citizens, or (d) a corporation authorized to transact business in the state in which the Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources are located.
- 3. INSPECTION OF TIMBER AND/OR OTHER WOOD PRODUCTS OR VEGETATIVE RESOURCES Bidder is invited, urged, and cautioned to inspect the Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources prior to submitting a bid. By executing the Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources sale contract, bidder warrants that the contract is accepted on the basis of his/her examination and inspection of the Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources and his/her opinion of its value.
- 4. DISCLAIMER OF WARRANTY Government expressly disclaims any warranty of the fitness of the designated Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources for any purpose of the bidder; all Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources are to be sold "As Is" without any warranty of merchantability by Government. Any warranty as to the quantity or quality of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources to be sold is expressly disclaimed by Government.
- 5. BIDS Each Sealed or written bid for Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources must be submitted to the Contracting Officer who issued *Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources Sale Notice*.
  - (a) Sealed Bid Sales Bids will be received until time specified in the Advertisement. Enclose the bid with required bid deposit in a sealed envelope marked on the outside Bid for Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources, time bid is to be opened, timber sale name and number, and legal description of land on which Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources are located. In event of a tie, the high bidder shall be determined by lot from among those who submitted the tie bids.
  - (b) Oral Auction Sales Submission of the required bid deposit and a written bid is required to qualify for oral bidding. Oral bidding shall begin from the highest written bid. No oral bid will be considered which is not higher than the preceding bid. In the event there is a tie in high written bids, and no oral bidding occurs, the bidder who was the first to submit his/her bid deposit and written bid shall be declared the high bidder. If the officer conducting the sale cannot determine who made the first submission of high tie written bids, the high bidder shall be determined by lot. High bidder must confirm his/her bid, in writing, immediately upon being declared high bidder.

- (c) Except as otherwise provided in 43 CFR 5442.2, bids will not be considered in resale of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources remaining from an uncompleted contract from any person or affiliate of such person who failed to complete the original contract because of (1) cancellation for the purchaser's breach or (2) through failure to complete payment by expiration date.
- (d) When it is in the interest of the Government to do so, it may reject any and all bids and may waive minor deficiencies in bids or in sale advertisement.
- 6. *BID FORMS* All sealed, written bids, and confirmation of oral bids shall be submitted on forms provided by Government.
  - (a) Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources Sales For each product and species, bids shall specify (1) Bureau of Land Management estimated unit volume or quantity, (2) bidder's price per unit and total value, and (3) bidder's total purchase price. Estimated volume and price per unit are to be used for administrative and appraisal purposes only. Upon award of contract, the high bidder agrees to pay the Government for the Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources designated for removal in accordance with the terms of the contract. Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources designated for removal may be less or more than the total estimated volume or quantity shown above.
- BID DEPOSIT All bidders must make a deposit of not less than the amount specified in the Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources Notice. Deposit may be in the form of cash, money orders, bank drafts, cashiers or certified checks made payable to the Department of the Interior – BLM, bid bonds of a corporate surety shown on the approved list of the United States Treasury Department (Applies To Timber Only), or any approved guaranteed remittance approved by the Contracting Officer. Upon conclusion of bidding, the bid deposit of all bidders, except high bidder, will be returned. The cash deposit of the successful bidder shall be applied toward the required sale deposit and/or the purchase price. If the BLM fails to award the timber sale within 90 days of the determination of the high bidder, a portion of the bid deposit may be refunded to the high bidder upon written request to the authorized officer, such that the BLM retains a deposit of at least 5% of the appraised value. The remainder of the full bid deposit must be resubmitted to the BLM once the high bidder is notified in writing that the delay of award has been remedied and the authorized officer is prepared to issue the contract. If the high bidder is unable to provide the full amount of the bid deposit within 30 days of the written notification, the sale may be re-auctioned and the high bidder will be barred from participating in any subsequent auctions for the same tracts.
- 8. AWARD OF CONTRACT Government may require high bidder to furnish such information as is necessary to determine the ability of bidder to perform the obligation of contract. Contract will be awarded to high bidder, unless he/she is not qualified or responsible or unless all bids are rejected. If high bidder is not qualified or responsible or fails to sign and return the contract together with required performance bond and any required payment, contract may be offered and awarded to the highest bidders qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract. If contract award is delayed more than 90 days, half of the bid deposit may be refunded to the high bidder until the sale award process resumes.
- 9. TIMBER AND/OR OTHER WOOD PRODUCTS OR VEGETATIVE RESOURCES SALE CONTRACTS To be executed by purchaser, has been prepared by Government, and may be examined in the District or Field Manager's office.

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- (a) A performance bond in an amount of not less than 20 percent of total purchase price is required, but the amount of the bond shall not be in excess of \$500,000, except when the purchaser opts to increase the minimum bond to permit cutting prior to payment as provided in 43 CFR 5451.2, or in the event the purchaser is a holder of an unresolved default the bond may be increased as provided in 43 CFR 5450.1(b). Performance bond may be (1) bond of a corporate surety shown on approval list issued by the United States Treasury Department and executed on an approved standard form, (2) personal surety bond executed on an approved standard form if Government determines principals and bondsman are capable of carrying out the terms of the contract, (3) cash bonds, (4) negotiable securities of the United States, or (5) any guaranteed remittance approved by the Contracting Officer.
- (b) If purchaser elects to cut Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources without skidding or yarding it to a loading point or removing it prior to the payment of the second or subsequent installments, Government shall require an increase in amount of performance bond initially required by an amount equal to the value of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources to be cut. Such increase must be on a bond rider form supplied by Government and be approved, in writing, by Government prior to cutting Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources covered by the bond increase. This increased amount of bond shall be used to assure payment for Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources cut in advance of payment.

### 11. PAYMENT BOND – (Primarily Used For Timber Sales)

If purchaser elects to (a) cut and remove Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources, or (b) remove Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources already cut which has been secured by an increased performance bond as provided in paragraph 10(b) above, before payment of the second or subsequent installments, Government shall require a payment bond on a form supplied by Government. Purchaser shall obtain written approval from Government of payment bond prior to cutting and/or removal of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources covered by the bond. Payment bond shall be used to assure payment for Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources cut and/or removed in advance of payment.

- 12. PAYMENT OF PURCHASE PRICE For sales of \$500 or more, Government may allow payment by installments. Except as discussed in paragraphs 10 and 11 above, no part of any Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources sold may be severed, cut, or removed unless advance payment has been made as provided in contract.
- 13. LIQUIDATED DAMAGES Within thirty (30) days from receipt of *Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources* Sale Contract, the successful bidder shall sign contract and return it to Government, together with required bond and any required payment. If successful bidder fails to comply within the stipulated time, his/her bid deposit shall be retained by Government as liquidated damages.
- 14. NINETY-DAY SALES If no bid is received within time specified in the advertisement of sale and if Government determines that there has been no significant rise in the market value of Timber and/or Other Wood Products or Vegetative Resources, it may, in its discretion, keep the sale open, not to exceed ninety (90) days.

- 15. UNAUTHORIZED USE OF GOVERNMENT PROPERTY A sale may be refused to high bidder who has been notified that he/she has failed to make satisfactory arrangements for payment of damages resulting from unauthorized use of, or injury to, property of the United States.
- 16. EQUAL OPPORTUNITY CLAUSE This contract is subject to the provisions of Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, which sets forth the nondiscrimination clauses. Copies of this order may be obtained from the District Manager. 43 CFR 60-1.7(b) requires that the Equal Opportunity Compliance Report Certification will be completed by prospective contractors. Certification may be obtained from District Manager.
- 17. LOG EXPORT All timber offered for sale except as noted in the Timber Sale Notice is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and any exporters of unprocessed private timber west of the 100th meridian in the contiguous 48 states within 24-months of the sale date are not eligible to purchaser Federal Timber west of the 100th meridian in the contiguous 48 states. For the purpose of this contract, unprocessed timber is defined as: (1) any logs except those of utility grade or below, such as saw logs, peeler logs, and pulp logs; (2) cants or squares to be subsequently remanufactured exceeding eight and three quarters (8-3/4) inches in thickness; (3) split or round bolts or other roundwood not processed to standards and specifications suitable for end product use; or (4) western red cedar lumber which does not meet lumber of American Lumber Standards Grades of Number 3 dimensions or better, or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau R-List Grades of Number 3 common or better.

Timber manufactured into the following will be considered processed: (1) Lumber or construction timbers, except western red cedar, meeting current American Lumber Standards Grades or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau Export R or N list grades, sawn on four sides, not intended for remanufacture; (2) Lumber, construction timbers, or cants for remanufacture, except western red cedar, meeting current American Lumber Standards Grades or Pacific Lumber Inspection Bureau Export R or N list clear grades, sawn on four sides, not to exceed twelve inches in thickness; (3) Lumber, construction timbers, or cants for remanufacture, except western red cedar, that do not meet the grades referred to in subclause 2 and are sawn on four sides, with wane less than 1/4 of any face, not exceeding 834 inches in thickness; (4) Chips, pulp, or pulp products; (5) Veneer or plywood; (6) Poles, posts, or piling cut or treated with preservatives for use as such; (7) Shakes or shingles; (8) Aspen or other pulpwood bolts, not exceeding 100 inches in length, exported for processing into pulp; (9) Pulp logs, cull logs, and incidental volumes of grade 3 and 4 saw logs processed at domestic pulp mills, domestic chip plants, or other domestic operations for the primary purpose of conversion of the logs into chips, or to the extent that a small quantity of such logs are processed, into other products at domestic processing facilities.

18. DETAILED INFORMATION – Detailed information concerning contract provisions, bid, performance bond forms, tract location maps, and access conditions may be obtained from the Contracting Officer. All persons interested in bidding on the products listed are encouraged to familiarize themselves with all such detailed information.

# **Notice of Litigation Acknowledgement Form**

To ensure that this notice is understood, the bidders for this contract must sign the acknowledgement below and submit this document to the BLM to confirm your bid.

I acknowledge receipt of a copy of this notice and understand that because of litigation lodged with United States District Court for the District of Oregon, Eugene Division, any decision to award the **Susan Honey Hazard Trees, Contract # ORR04-TS-2022.0012** timber sales may be significantly delayed, or operations suspended, and that the BLM has authority under 43 CFR 5442.3 to reject all bids if the Government determines it is in the Government's interest to do so.

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