



November 3, 2023

Brule River State Forest Timber Sale Information

Sealed bids will be received by mail or in person at the Brule Ranger Station up to 9:00 AM on **December 12, 2023**, and will be opened immediately thereafter for timber stumpage described in this prospectus. Please call 608-282-4711 at bid opening date and time to attend via teleconference.

Contact Dave Schulz, forester, Brule River State Forest for information concerning this bid opening as well as detailed tract information on all Brule River State Forest sales. David.schulz@wisconsin.gov cell phone 715-815-0411.

This bid opening will be held for 7 tracts on the Brule River State Forest as well as 6 tracts on other State owned lands located in Douglas and Bayfield Counties, Wisconsin.

Fall 2023 Brule River State Forest Bid offering				TONS					
Brule River State Forest Lands				Volume (tons)		Min Bid	Forester	Phone	
Sale Name	Tract #	Acres	Timber Type	4 inch	Whole Tree				
<i>Big Sky Country</i>	5-23	293	Red Pine	7350	NA	\$99,720.00	Dave Schulz	715-815-0411	
<i>CCC Hardwood</i>	2-22	139	Aspen/Hdwd	4900	NA	\$24,690.00	Dave Schulz	715-815-0411	
<i>Comp 35</i>	8-21	34	Red Pine/Hdwd/Aspen	1600	NA	\$12,055.00	Dave Schulz	715-815-0411	
<i>Sleeping Bear</i>	6-21	194	Apen/MX	7960	11070	\$41,112.00	Dave Schulz	715-815-0411	
<i>Minnuesing Acreage</i>	16-19	62	Aspen/Birch	4475	NA	\$44,568.00	Dave Schulz	715-815-0411	
<i>Running Roost</i>	1-23	76	Red Pine	2400	NA	\$31,200.00	Dave Schulz	715-815-0411	
<i>Triple A</i>	2-18	81	MX/Aspen	2315	3300	\$11,202.00	Zak Neitzel	715-296-0641	
Totals		879		TONS 31000	14370	\$264,547.00			

Other DNR owned Properties				Volume (tons)					
Douglas County - DNR Owned Lands				4 inch	Whole Tree	Min Bid	Forester	Phone	
Tract#	Acres	Timber Type	4 inch						
North Country Trail - <u>Kitchen Sink</u>	1-22	50	Oak/Hdwd	1280	NA	\$14,340.00	Adam Rider	715-816-0841	
Pattison State Park - <u>Pattison State Park</u>	1-23	12	Aspen	725	NA	\$4,026.00	Jessica Krustensterna	715-817-8423	
Bayfield County - DNR Owned Lands				4 inch	Whole Tree	Min Bid	Forester	Phone	
Tract#	Acres	Timber Type	4 inch						
South Shore - <u>Sportsman Lane</u>	1-21	20	Aspen/MX/Fir	900	NA	\$2,175.00	Kara Oikarinen	715-209-0071	
South Shore - <u>Homestead Pine</u>	1-19	10	White Pine/Red Pine	700	NA	\$5,181.00	Kara Oikarinen	715-209-0071	
South Shore - <u>C-Side Release</u>	406-01-22	15	Red Maple/Aspen/Fir	935	NA	\$3,069.00	Joseph LeBouton	715-209-2149	
Totagatic Lake WA - <u>Tic Tac Totagatic</u>	1-21	31	Oak/MX/Pine/Aspen	2015	NA	\$14,702.00	Kathleen Klow	715-308-4416	
Totals		88		TONS 5275	0	\$29,153.00			

Tracts not sold during bid opening on December 12, 2023, will be available by direct sale through forester listed on sale information above.

BIDDING REQUIREMENTS

1. Bidding Procedure for Timber Sales
 - a. Bids will be made by species for each tract.
 - b. Estimated volumes and utilization specifications are listed on individual sale prospectus maps. Bid according to volumes listed on individual maps.
 - c. The **high bidder** will be determined by the **greatest total bid** for each tract.
 - d. Bids will be opened in random order.
 - e. **Bidders in attendance (in person or virtual)** can remove their bid from consideration before each individual tract is opened. Bidders must identify themselves by clearly stating their name, address, and telephone number PRIOR to a bid being opened to withdraw their bid from consideration.
2. Bids may be made on one or more tracts
3. Submit each bid in an individual sealed envelope marked “Bid for Timber Stumpage” with the timber SALE NAME clearly marked on outside of envelope. Wisconsin DNR Timber Sale Bid Forms must be used to make bids on DNR timber sales and forms are included with the individual sales in this bid package.
4. A per unit bid must be made on every item on a tract. No “zero” bids for any species or products will be accepted.
5. Winning bidders will be notified within 24 hours of bid opening and must sign the timber sale contract and submit an acceptable performance bond within 6 weeks of the bid opening. If the winning bidder fails to execute the contract and submit an acceptable performance bond, the bidder shall be required to forfeit to the department an amount equal to 10% of the total bid amount. Failure to forfeit the 10% penalty will result in the bidder being considered ineligible to bid on any state or GNA timber sales for a two-year period.
6. A **Performance Bond or Letter of Credit** is required before awarding of contract. The bond shall be fifteen percent (15%) of the total bid value or a **minimum of \$1000.00**. The bond will be held intact by the Department of Natural Resources until the satisfactory completion of the timber sale contract. Performance bonds in a form of other than cash for these sales must expire no earlier than **1-year past contract expiration date**.
7. The Department of Natural Resources reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

SALES TAX CERTIFICATION

1. A [Sales and Use Tax Exemption Certificate](#) must be provided at the signing of the contract. This certificate is required to cover a contractor or individual reselling stumpage harvested for firewood/fuelwood and mills and manufacturing facilities. More information about the certificate can be found at <https://www.revenue.wi.gov/DORForms/s-211-inst.pdf>

UTILIZATION

1. See individual timber sales for utilization specifications

SCALING AND PAYMENT

1. If eligible for deferred payment option, payment for timber removed from site must be made within 30 days after invoice.
2. If not eligible for deferred payment option, no wood will be hauled from the sale area until advanced payment is made.
3. If sold as a lump sum sale, payment in full must be made on entire sale, or by the cutting block, or by some other means as mutually agreed upon by WDNR and contractor.
4. The mill scale ticket system will be used as the preferred method of sale administration. Other scaling systems may be used at the discretion of the Department of Natural Resources.
5. If a woods scale system is used, all cordwood or logs will be piled for scaling. Piles will be level and square with at least 10 cords per pile or 4 MBF. At least 10 cords or 4 MBF will be piled before a scale is requested. Scaling requests must be made at least one day in advance.
6. No refunds of stumpage payments will be made for un-removed wood, and wood left on the sale area at contract expiration shall revert to the seller.
7. Scribner Decimal C Log Rule shall be used for scaling logs. Conversion from MBF to cords or cords to MBF shall be 2.44 cords per MBF for softwoods and 2.2 cords per MBF for hardwoods.
8. Weight scale conversions will be at rates as specified in the DNR timber sale handbook listed below, unless the individual timber sale has specific mixed species pro-rates/conversions.

CORDWOOD WEIGHT CONVERSION FACTORS POUNDS PER CORD

<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight (lbs.)</u>	<u>Weight (tons)</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight (lbs.)</u>	<u>Weight (tons)</u>
Ash	4600	2.3	Jack pine	4250	2.125
Aspen	4500	2.25	Locust	5300	2.65
Balsam	4250	2.125	Mixed hardwood	4800	2.4
Balsam poplar	4900	2.45	Red oak	5500	2.75
Basswood	3850	1.925	Red pine	4500	2.25
Beech	5050	2.525	Soft maple	4550	2.275
Black Cherry	4300	2.15	Spruce	4000	2.0
Cedar	3150	1.575	Tamarack	4650	2.325
Cottonwood	4650	2.325	White birch	4800	2.4
Elm	5000	2.5	White oak	5850	2.925
Hard maple	5100	2.55	White pine	4200	2.1
Hemlock	4800	2.4	Yellow birch	5350	2.675
Hickory	5400	2.7			

CONTRACT PERIOD

1. All contracts offered during this bid opening will expire **December 31, 2026** unless noted on individual timber sale map.
2. Contract extensions will not be granted without justifiable reason. Justification will be determined by the Department of Natural Resources. **Note****If extended, extension will be offered which will expire December 31, 2027, and stumpage prices will be increased by 15% for the extension period.**

OTHER CONDITIONS - BMPS

1. Wisconsin's Best Management Practices for Water Quality, Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines, and Best Management Practices for Invasive Species must be followed on all DNR timber sales. More information on these management guidelines can be found at the links found below.

Water Quality BMPs: <https://dnr.wi.gov/topic/ForestManagement/bmp.html>

Biomass: <https://councilonforestry.wi.gov/Pages/WoodyBiomass/Default.aspx>

Invasive BMPs: <https://councilonforestry.wi.gov/Pages/InvasiveSpecies/Forestry.aspx>

Insurance

The "Contractor" (purchaser) shall provide the Department with a Certificate of Insurance counter-signed by a Wisconsin Resident Agent, indicating that Worker's Compensation Insurance coverage is provided for the duration of the contract prior to any performance under it. Contractor claiming exemption, independent status, the contractor/purchaser will be required to submit a signed, notarized affidavit that affirms their exempt status pursuant to the criteria listed in section 102.07(7)(b), of the Wisconsin Statutes.

Contract may contain other provisions. Contracts may not be assigned. A sample copy of the contract is available upon request.

NOTE: Prospectus maps for each of the timber sales are available online at <https://dnr.wisconsin.gov/topic/TimberSales>

*****TRAINING STANDARD*****

The Purchaser shall ensure that at least one in-woods person actively engaged in performance of this contract and responsible for the logging site complies with the Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative® (SFI®) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC). Criteria for the standard can be found at the website https://www.fistausa.org/fista/SFI_Workshops.asp or by contacting the Forest Industry Safety & Training Alliance (FISTA). Purchaser agrees to provide documentation to Seller that the training has been attained prior to initiating sale.

FOREST CERTIFICATION: These lands are 3rd party certified.