

October 25th, 2022

DNR Lands – Buffalo County - Timber Sale Information

Sealed bids will be received by mail or in person at the Alma Field Office (Attn: DNR Forester, 407 S. 2nd St., Alma, WI 54610), up to **10:00AM on Tuesday, November 15th, 2022** and will be opened immediately thereafter for timber stumpage described in this prospectus. The public may attend in person or call 1 608-571-2209 and enter code 221 936 444# to attend virtually.

For questions about this bid opening- contact: Adam Foehringer at 608-405-2926; adam.foehringer@wisconsin.gov

This bid opening will be held for 2 tracts on Buffalo County wildlife areas.

Buffalo County				Volumes		
<u>Sale Name</u>	<u>Tract #</u>	<u>Acres</u>	<u>Timber Type</u>	<u>MBF</u>	<u>Tons</u>	<u>Min Bid</u>
Hooter Hill	1-23	42	MX/Oak	133	785	\$15,577.00
Huck's Ash	3-23	68	Ash/MX	130	545	\$14,060.00

For tracts not sold on November 15th, 2022 sealed bids will be accepted by mail or in person until 10:00AM on November 29th, 2022. Contact Adam Foehringer at 608-405-2926 or adam.foehringer@wisconsin.gov for details on bid results following the November 15th bid opening.

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 sale prospectus and/or 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 (virtual or in-person)** 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, and tract number on the outside. Wisconsin DNR Timber Sale Bid Forms must be used to make bids on DNR timber sales and is included with the individual sale prospectus
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, whichever is greater. 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. Cut and use all designated trees with one or more 100” sticks to a 4” top diameter. Any other provisions will be listed on individual sale map/prospectus.

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 Department of Natural Resources 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 5 cords per pile or 2 MBF. At least 12 cords or 3 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 Department of Natural Resources timber sale handbook listed below, unless the individual timber sale has specific mixed species pro-rates/conversions.

CORDWOOD WEIGHT CONVERSION FACTORS

<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight (lbs)</u>	<u>Cord to Ton Conversion</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight (lbs)</u>	<u>Cord to Ton Conversion</u>
ASPEN (All Species)	4,500	2.250	MAPLE, OTHER	4,550	2.275
ASH (All Species)	4,600	2.300	MAPLE, RED	4,550	2.275
BASSWOOD	3,850	1.925	MAPLE, SILVER	4,550	2.275
BEECH	5,050	2.525	MULBERRY	5,000	2.500
BALM OF GILEAD	4,900	2.450	MIXED CONIFER	4,250	2.125
BALSAM FIR	4,250	2.125	MIXED SPECIES - ALL	4,600	2.300
BUTTERNUT	5,000	2.500	MIXED HARDWOODS	4,800	2.400
BIRCH, RIVER	5,000	2.500	OAK, BLACK	5,500	2.750
BOX ELDER	4,550	2.275	OAK, NORTHERN PIN	5,500	2.750
BIRCH, WHITE	4,800	2.400	OAK, BUR	5,850	2.925
BIRCH, YELLOW	5,350	2.675	OAK	5,500	2.750
CEDAR (All Species)	3,150	1.575	OAK, SOUTHERN PIN	5,500	2.750
CHERRY, BLACK	4,300	2.150	OAK, RED	5,500	2.750
COTTONWOOD	4,650	2.325	OAK, SWAMP WHITE	5,850	2.925
ELM (All Species)	5,000	2.500	OAK, WHITE	5,850	2.925
HEMLOCK	4,800	2.400	PINE, AUSTRIAN	4,500	2.250
HACKBERRY	5,000	2.500	PINE, JACK	4,250	2.125
HICKORY (All Species)	5,400	2.700	PINE, RED	4,500	2.250
IRONWOOD	5,000	2.500	PINE, SCOTS	4,500	2.250
KENTUCKY COFFEE TREE	5,000	2.500	PINE, WHITE	4,200	2.100
LARCH	4,650	2.325	POPLAR, YELLOW	4,500	2.250
LOCUST (All Species)	5,300	2.650	SPRUCE (All Species)	4,000	2.000
MOUNTAIN ASH	5,000	2.500	SYCAMORE	5,000	2.500
MAPLE, SUGAR	5,100	2.550	TAMARACK	4,650	2.325
MAPLE, NORWAY	5,100	2.550	WALNUT, BLACK	5,000	2.500
			WILLOW (All Species)	5,000	2.500

CONTRACT PERIOD

1. All contracts offered during this bid opening will expire June 30th, 2024, unless otherwise noted on individual timber sale map/prospectus.

CONTRACT EXTENSIONS

Contract extensions will not be granted without justifiable reason. Justification will be determined by the Department of Natural Resources. Contract expiration dates are given on the individual timber sale. Contract extensions are not guaranteed. All extensions, if granted, will be for 1 year. Extension requests will be considered with the following conditions:

One and Two-year contracts

- 1st extension – 5% increase in stumpage rate
- 2nd extension – an additional 10% increase in stumpage rate

Three and Four-year Contracts

- 1st extension – 15% increase in stumpage rate (only 1 extension granted)

OTHER CONDITIONS

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>

2. Review prospectus' for HRD, Oak Wilt and/or NHI requirements and note harvesting restriction dates.

Insurance

The "Contractor" (purchaser) shall provide the Department of Natural Resources 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.

Tract # 615-1-23 – Hooter Hill TS

Big Swamp Wildlife Area

BUFFALO COUNTY



Contract Expiration Date: June 30th, 2024

<u>Species</u>	<u>Sawtimber</u>	<u>Pulpwood</u>
Mixed Hardwood	70 MBF	475 Tons
Mixed Oak	45 MBF	175 Tons
Ash (varied quality)	18 MBF	135 Tons
Total	133 MBF	785 Tons

Thinning Unit - (29 ac.)

Harvest all trees marked with orange paint.

Regeneration Harvest Units - (13 ac.)

Harvest all stems 2" DBH and greater except trees marked with green/teal paint.

Scaled Sale

Minimum Bid: \$15,577.00

Special Conditions:

1. **'Mixed Hardwood'**: approximately 55% of the MBF volume is red maple and approximately 35% of the pulpwood volume are bolts. **'Mixed Oak'**: volume constitutes (in order of abundance) black, swamp white, red, white and bur oak. Approximately 37% of the pulpwood volume are bolts. A conversion factor of 2.75 will be used for mixed oak. **'Ash'**: notable EAB impacts, approximately 40% of pulpwood volume are bolts (quality declining).
2. The southern and eastern sale boundaries of the main unit are marked in blue paint – do not harvest painted boundary trees. The western and northern boundaries of the main unit abut wetlands where faded red paint is still present. The clear-cut island to the northeast is surrounded by wetlands. Within the main unit, purple paint lines designate the coppice units from the thinning – do not harvest painted boundary trees.
3. It is the contractor's responsibility to secure access to these units, which entails crossing private lands. DNR Forestry has and can provide contact info for neighboring landowner.
4. Contractor will be required to power wash equipment prior to moving on site to prevent the spread of invasive species.
5. All cut products 5" DIB and greater must be utilized. All stumps shall be no higher than 10" or the stump's diameter, whichever is less. Cut-off ends and other woody debris must be removed from landings and hauled off or deposited back in the harvest area.
6. Prevent damage to residual trees, remove trees and/or treetops hanging in standing trees.
7. Operational date range is **November 1st - March 14th**. No cutting, skidding or road building is allowed outside of this date range due to NHI concerns and ground conditions in the lower areas. This is a winter sale at any rate given the need for crop-off private lands access.
8. Harvest under solid/frozen ground conditions to prevent rutting and monitor conditions of roads/trails. Contact DNR Forestry for approved winter wetland crossing plan (~125 feet) – permit not required.
9. Landings and haul road locations must be approved by property manager prior to construction. New road and landing construction will be at the expense of the winning bidder. Roads and landings must be repaired and seeded at the winning bidder's expense to the satisfaction of the sale administrator anytime the crew pulls out.

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


SALE MAP AND BID SHEET ON FOLLOWING PAGES

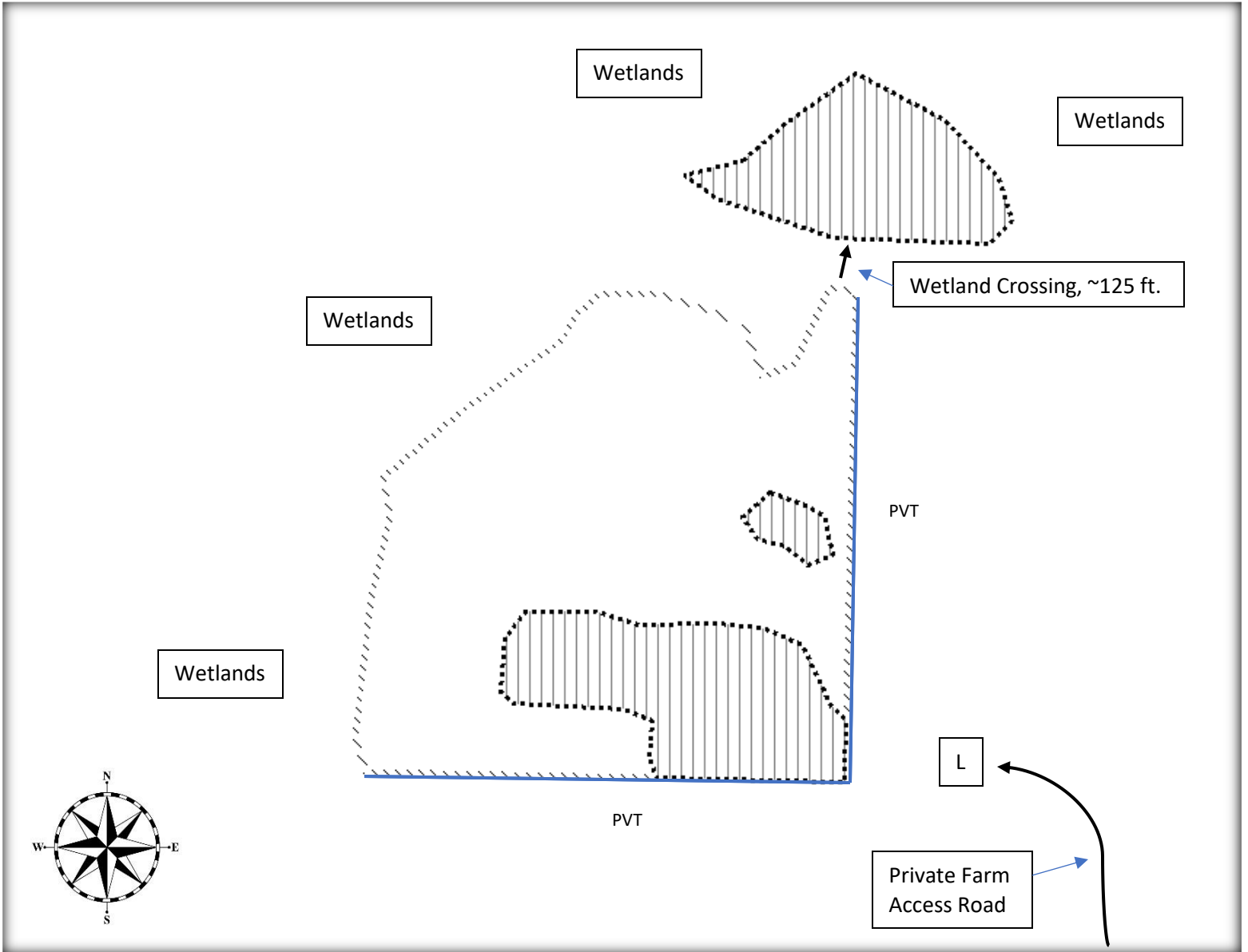
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Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources – Big Swamp Wildlife Area

Sections 1 & 2, Township 24N, Range 12W - Buffalo County

Hooter Hill TS – Tract #: 615-1-23 – 42 Acres

-  = harvest boundaries
-  = harvest boundary along private lands (blue lines)
-  = proposed landing (private ag field, crop-off)
-  = Thinning Unit (~29 ac.)
-  = Coppice Units (~13 ac.), those within the thinning bounded by purple paint line



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Thinning Unit: harvest all trees marked with orange paint

Coppice Units: harvest all stems 2" in diameter and greater except trees marked with green/teal paint

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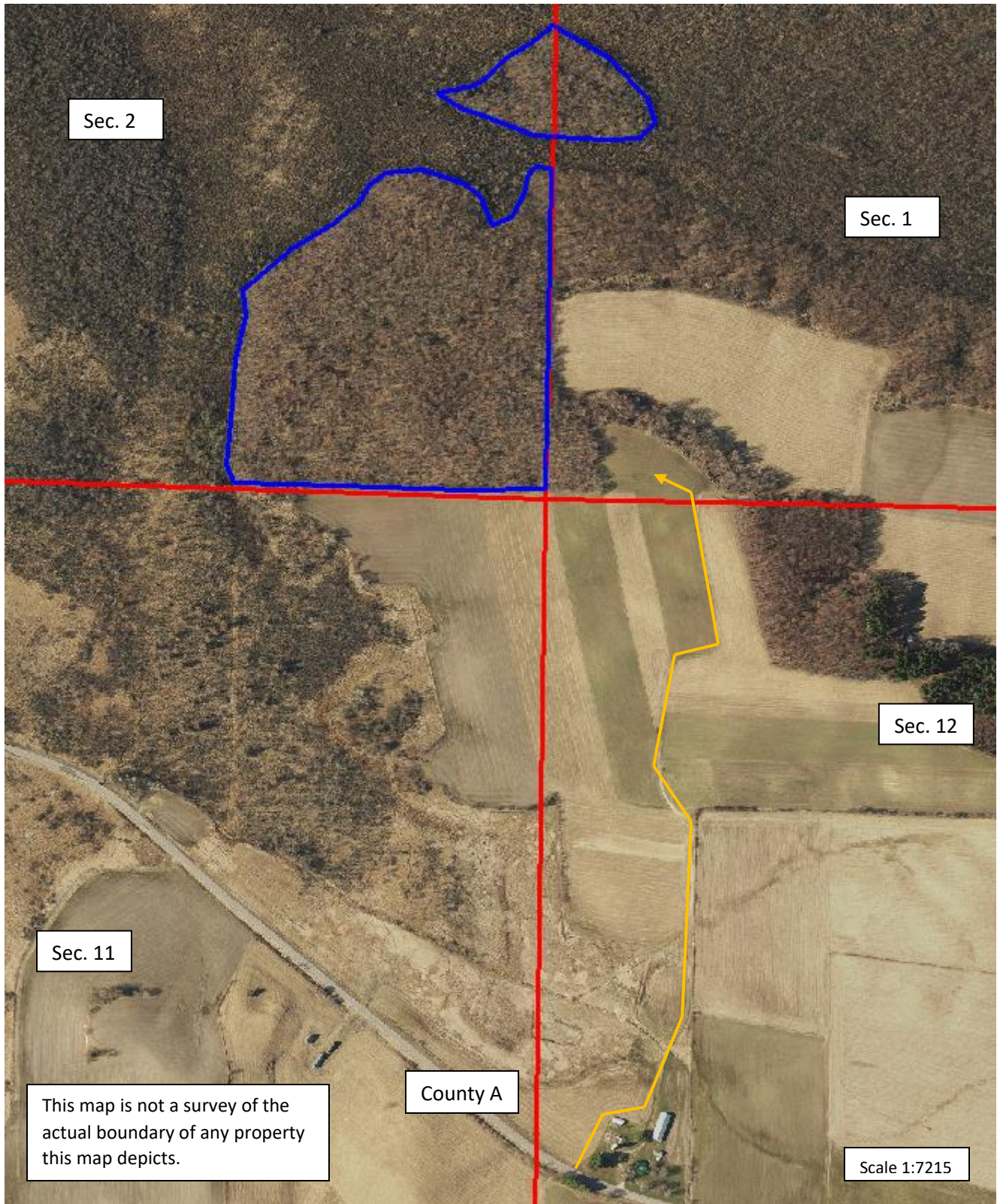
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Red Line = section lines

Blue Line = harvest boundaries

Yellow Arrow = proposed access via private



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- see additional map for access roads and harvest type boundaries

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Date

Bidder Name

Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code
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Property Name (if any) Big Swamp WA	Timber Sale Name Hooter Hill TS	Tract Number 1-23
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Date and Hour of Bid Opening November 15th, 2022 at 10:00 AM	Minimum Acceptable Bid (optional) \$15,577.00
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Species-All bids including Lump Sum bids must be by species	Utilization Specifications (4 inch/Whole Tree/Logs)	Estimated Volume	Volume Units (tons/cords/mbf)	Price Bid Per Unit	Total Bid Value on Estimated Volume
Mixed Hardwood - Logs	10"	70	MBF		
Mixed Hardwood - Pulp	5"	475	Tons		
Mixed Oak - Logs	10"	45	MBF		
Mixed Oak - Pulp	5"	175	Tons		
Ash - Logs	10"	18	MBF		
Ash - Pulp	4"	135	Tons		

The award shall be based on this TOTAL BID AMOUNT:

Performance Bond Will be in the form of: (select one)

Personal Check
 Assurance Bond
 Certified Check/Money Order
 Certificate of Deposit
 Irrevocable Letter of Credit
 Assignment of Savings Account

I understand that any or all bids may be rejected and that consideration and awarding of a contract will be based upon my past performance and ability to complete contracts. **I also understand that if I am the winning bidder, I have 6 weeks from the date of the bid opening to submit an acceptable performance bond. I also understand that if I am awarded the contract and fail to execute it or work under it, I will be required to forfeit to the Department an amount equal to 10% of my total bid amount.** Failure to forfeit the 10% penalty will result in being considered ineligible to bid on any state timber sales for a two-year duration. In the event the highest bidder can not or will not sign the contract, the award may be made to the next highest qualified bid.

By checking this box, I certify that I hold a Wisconsin Master Logger Certification.

Notice: I understand:

Utilization specifications and estimated volumes are listed in the prospectus which is available upon request from the Department.

A copy of the standard timber sales contract which must be entered into is available upon request from the Department.

Signature of Bidder
Bidder's Name (Please Print or Type)
Phone Number (include area code)
Email Address

Tract # 628-3-23 – Huck’s Ash TS

Tiffany Wildlife Area BUFFALO COUNTY



Contract Expiration Date: June 30th, 2024

<u>Species</u>	<u>Sawtimber</u>	<u>Pulpwood</u>
Mixed Hardwood	45 MBF	220 Tons
Mixed Oak	10 MBF	80 Tons
Ash (varied quality)	75 MBF	245 Tons
Total	130 MBF	545 Tons

Thinning Unit - (~66 ac.)

Harvest all trees marked with orange paint.

Regeneration Harvest Units - (~2 ac.)

Harvest all stems 2" DBH and greater

Minimum Bid: \$14,060.00

Scaled Sale

Special Conditions:

1. **'Mixed Hardwood'**: approximately 80% of the MBF volume is silver maple and approximately 45% of the pulpwood volume is bolt material. **'Mixed Oak'**: volume constitutes (in order of abundance) black, white, bur and swamp white oak. A conversion factor of 2.75 will be used for mixed oak. Approximately 30% of the pulpwood volume is bolt material. **'Ash'**: notable EAB impacts, approximately 35% of pulpwood volume is bolt material (quality declining).
2. The western unit is bounded by the Chippewa River and a paved DNR parking lot/boat landing to the west, sloughs to the north and east where the orange paint stops and HWY 35 to the south. The central unit is bounded by sloughs on all sides where the orange paint stops. It abuts an unpaved DNR parking lot and boat landing at its southwest corner. A vernal pool located within this unit is bounded by a purple paint line. No harvesting or slash is allowed within the purple paint line, do not harvest purple-painted trees. The eastern unit is bounded by a slough to the west where the orange paint stops, HWY 25 to the east and private lines (blue paint lines) to the north and south. It abuts a paved DNR parking lot and boat landing at its northwest corner. No harvesting or slash is allowed across the blue paint lines, do not harvest blue-painted trees. A small clear-cut is part of this unit. It's western and southern boundaries begin with the elevation change where the orange paint stops. It's northern and eastern boundaries are as described above and depicted on sale map.
3. Contractor will be required to power wash equipment prior to moving on site to prevent the spread of invasive species.
4. All cut products 5" DIB and greater must be utilized. All stumps shall be no higher than 10" or the stump's diameter, whichever is less. Cut-off ends and other woody debris must be removed from landings and hauled off or deposited back in the harvest area.
5. Prevent damage to residual trees, remove trees and/or treetops hanging in standing trees.
6. Operational date range is **December 1st - March 15th**. No cutting, skidding or road building is allowed outside of this date range due to NHI concerns and the need for frozen ground conditions. Except for the clear-cut unit, this sale lays within the Chippewa River floodplain. Frozen ground conditions will be needed to effectively operate equipment and prevent rutting. Trail/road conditions will be monitored for adherence to Wisconsin BMPs.
7. Landings and haul road locations must be approved by property manager prior to construction. New road and landing construction will be at the expense of the winning bidder. Roads and landings must be repaired and seeded at the winning bidder's expense to the satisfaction of the sale administrator anytime the crew pulls out.
8. Contractor shall take care not to damage paved and unpaved roads, parking lots and signage on DNR lands. Repairing infrastructure damage by the logging/hauling operations will be the contractor's responsibility.

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



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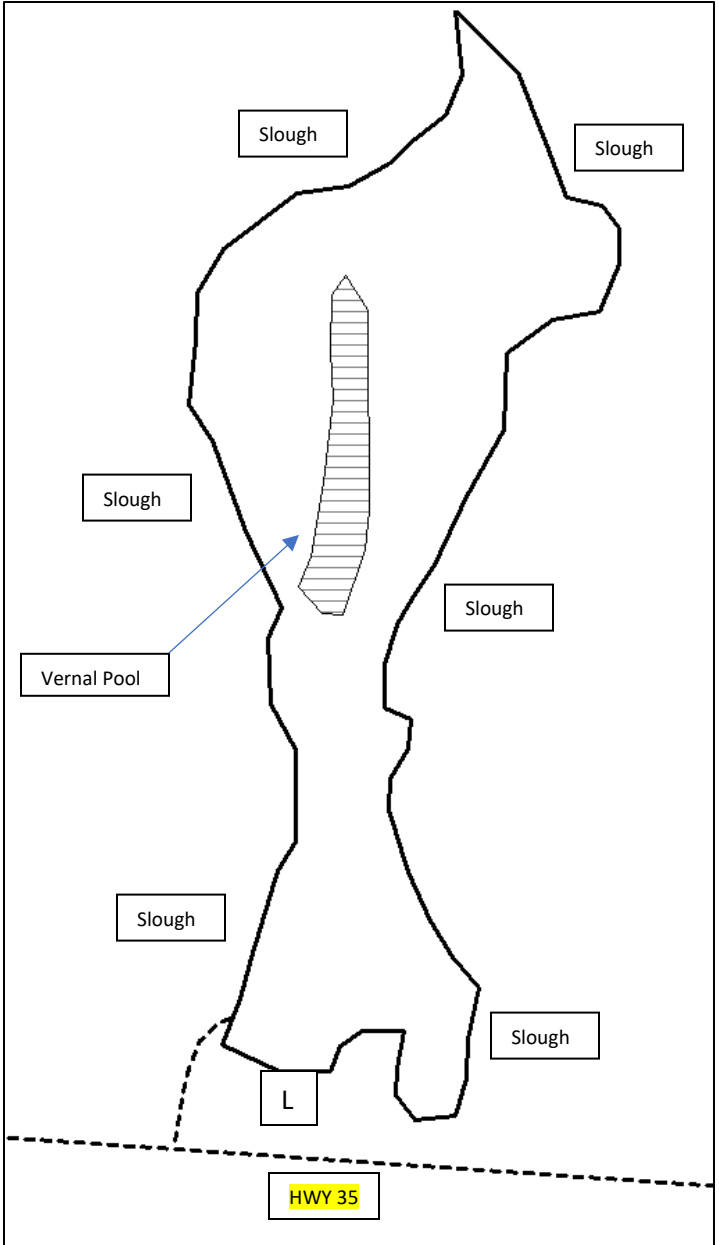
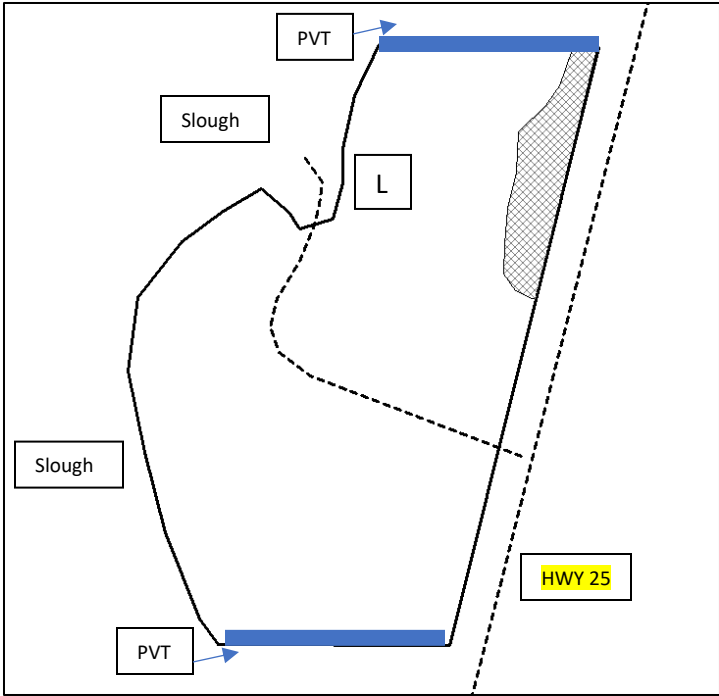
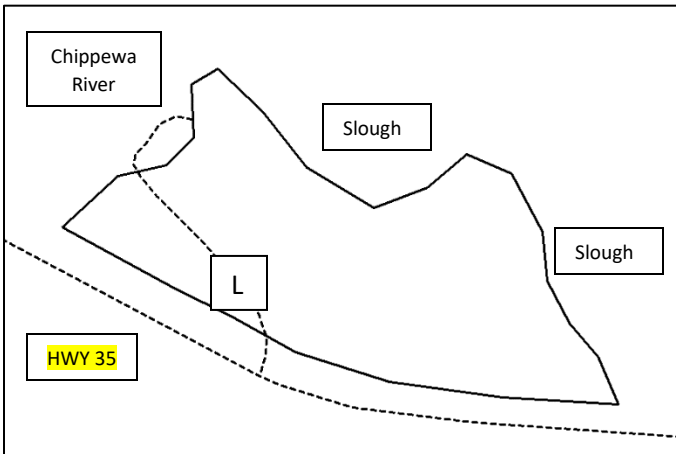
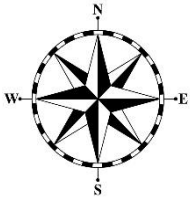
Huck's Ash TS – Tract # 628-3-23 – 68 Acres

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Date

Bidder Name

Street Address	City	State	ZIP Code
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Property Name (if any) Tiffany WA	Timber Sale Name Huck's Ash TS	Tract Number 3-23
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