

## Invitation for Bids on Timber Stumpage

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
KETTLE MORAINES STATE FOREST - SOUTHERN UNIT  
Timber Sale Tract 7 - 2021  
**Waterville ZZ Sale**

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources is offering for sale certain timber on the following described areas in the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Southern Unit. The sale will be sold as one tract. Prospective bidders are urged to examine this timber and to make their own evaluation of quality and quantity. **Note:** The pine and hardwood pulpwood on this sale are being sold by weight, **bids must be in price per ton for these products.** The hardwood sawlogs are being sold by volume, and **bids for these must be a price per thousand board feet.**

Tract 7 - 2021 Waterville ZZ Sale - Part of Sections 25, 26, 35 and 36 in T6N R17E, Ottawa Township in Waukesha County.

This sale includes a total of 131 acres, all being conifer plantations. The harvest involves a fifth thinning of stands 18 and 19, and a third thinning of stands 21, 22, 28 and 30. The entire area is individually marked for harvest with orange paint on the stem and on the stump. In addition, through the entire sale area, all walnut, aspen, locust, box elder and mulberry are to be cut whether marked or not. All trees marked or designated for harvest are to be cut. The timber sale maps show the harvest instructions for each area.

Timber Sale Summary (total minimum value = \$46,542.00)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Estimated Volume</u>
Red Pine	2,420 tons
White Pine	1,310 tons
Mixed Hardwood	150 tons
Black Walnut	4 MBF
Black Cherry	2 MBF
Red oak	1 MBF

Sealed bids will be received by the Forester up to 1:00 pm on Thursday, January 13, 2022 at the Kettle Moraine State Forest Headquarters, S91 W39091 Highway 59, Eagle, Wisconsin 53119. Bids will be opened at that time. **\*\* Note however that this bid opening will be closed to the public due to Covid restrictions. Bids will be opened by DNR staff, and interested bidders can listen in if desired by calling (262) 470-5225. Contact Michael Sieger with any questions about this invitation for bids at (262) 470-5225.**

Bids shall include the following and be submitted on Form #2400-49 (included with this bid notice).

1. Tract number
2. List of species to be cut and estimated volume
3. Bid prices per unit for each species and product
4. Signature and address of bidder

The Department of Natural Resources reserves the right to reject any or all bids. The timber sale contract for this sale may contain additional provisions, a sample contract is available upon request. Contracts may not be assigned.

These lands are 3<sup>rd</sup> party certified.

## Timber Sale Prospectus and Contract Procedures

### **A. Bidding, Payment and Contract Procedures.**

1. Bids shall be submitted in sealed envelopes and marked "Bid for Timber Stumpage" on the outside.
2. The Department of Natural Resources reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Bids will be accepted or rejected within 14 days.
3. **No bid bond is required when bidding on this sale**, however winning bidders will still have to submit a performance bond equal to 15% of the estimated sale value using any of the normal forms of payment: cash, a certified check or bank money order, company (personal) check, or irrevocable letter of credit, to be held until the contract is fulfilled. \*\* 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 timber sales for a two-year period.  
\*\* If an irrevocable letter of credit is to be used for the performance bond, then the term of the letter MUST extend one year beyond the contract expiration date. As this contract will expire on December 31, 2024, then an irrevocable letter of credit shall run through July 1, 2025. After satisfactorily completing the sale, the bond may be credited as payment for stumpage (on another state timber sale), refunded, or withheld in total, or in part, as liquidated damages according to the condition of the sale.
4. All stumpage payments will be cash, certified check or bank money order, or company (personal) check. Stumpage payments shall be made before the removal of timber from the sale area unless otherwise specifically authorized by the Department forester administering the sale.
5. The contract period will be for three (3) years, expiring on December 31, 2024. Certification of workmen's compensation must be provided before the contract will be signed.
6. **LOGGER TRAINING REQUIREMENT:** As of 1/1/2006, the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources requires that logging contractors that operate on state land be appropriately trained. This is to comply with forest certification requirements and to promote the health and welfare of logging contractors. Purchasers of state timber sales are responsible for ensuring that the actual logging contractor engaged in the performance of the contract complies with the Wisconsin SFI (Sustainable Forestry Initiative) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee. Criteria for the standard can be found at the website [www.fistausa.org/sfi\\_standards](http://www.fistausa.org/sfi_standards) or by contacting the Forest Industry Safety & Training Alliance (FISTA). Documentation confirming completion of the training standard will be required prior to signing sale contracts.
7. The winning bidder must submit all necessary paperwork within 6 weeks of the bid opening, by February 24, 2022, including the signed contract, performance bond, a copy of their workmen's compensation insurance certificate, and the tax exempt form (if not already on file here).

### **B. Cutting and Operational Requirements**

1. Cutting specifications are shown on the timber sale maps. Cut all trees marked with orange paint. In addition, cut all walnut, aspen, locust, box elder and mulberry within the sale area whether marked or not.
2. All trees marked or designated for cutting shall be utilized to a four-inch top diameter. Maximum stump height shall not exceed stump diameter. Damage to residual trees is to be kept at a minimum, and careless equipment operation will not be tolerated.

3. All slash shall be lopped and/or scattered to lie within three feet of the ground; slash must also be removed from all public access trails and roads. Slash shall be removed from trails so that it does not lie on OR protrude into the trail zone. Slash that may fall in these areas must be removed immediately. This is to be done concurrent with the cutting operation.
4. ***Special Note:*** The stumps of all pine trees cut on this sale are to be treated with an approved product to prevent infection by heterobasidion root disease (HRD). This can be done by the contracting logger's crew if certified to apply pesticides, or a private contractor can be hired to treat the stumps as the harvest occurs, within 48 hours of being cut. Blue dye must be used with the spray mix to identify stumps that have been treated. If the stumps are being treated by hand, all reasonable efforts must be taken during the felling and skidding to keep slash off of the pine stumps to make it easier to find them and treat them. The logging crew must maintain communication with the pesticide applicator so that the applicator knows when logging is occurring, when to be on site to treat stumps, and where the cutting has occurred.
5. This sale area is crossed by state trails as shown on the timber sale maps, which include horse/snowmobile trails. Damage to these trails will not be tolerated and any damage that may occur must be repaired immediately. The trails may be crossed by equipment as needed as long as conditions allow (frozen or dry and firm ground) but running equipment on the trails shall not occur unless permitted by the Forester. In addition, the contractor must be aware of trail users to avoid harming them in the cutting and skidding operations, which includes stopping the machine to avoid spooking horses passing on the trail nearby.
6. Rutting is a serious concern of this forest. Varied skidding routes should be taken, if necessary, to avoid excessive rutting. Excessive rutting or any other damage caused by the harvesting operations must be repaired in a timely manner to the satisfaction of the Forest Superintendent. Ruts will be considered excessive if they are 6 inches or greater in depth. Within 100 feet of the trails, rutting excessiveness will be determined by the Forest Superintendent, and may be more restrictive than the 6" maximum.
7. The location of yarding sites is subject to advance approval of the Forest Superintendent and Forester. Yarding areas must be cleared of stumps, down trees, trash and kept neat and in good repair during the contract period. Cut-offs or other wood debris must be cleared from the site in a neat manner, not simply pushed in a pile at the edge of the area used.
8. The Forest Superintendent or Forester reserve the right to suspend logging activities during unusual weather conditions.
9. The cost of the repair or replacement of any land survey, monument or accessory that is removed, destroyed or made inaccessible shall be withheld from the deposit. In the event that the deposit is insufficient to cover such cost, the provisions of Statute 59.635 shall be enforced.
10. Cutting of these areas shall be completed during the contract period. \*\* This includes the removal of the cut wood from the sale area. Extension may be granted by the DNR or its authorized representative for a one-year period, at their discretion. \*\*\* A reasonable effort must be shown to complete the sale during the contract period to warrant an extension. All stumpage payments will be increased 15% for a one-year extension.

### C. Operator Instructions for Wood Hauling and Scaling Procedures.

1. Mill scale, weight or measured, shall be used for pulpwood and sawtimber. The ticket system will be utilized for all wood hauled. If scaling conversions are necessary, they shall be calculated at the rate of 2.44 cords per one thousand board feet for conifers (pine and spruce), and 2.20 cords per one thousand board feet for hardwood. Weight conversions, if necessary, will be at the following rates: 4,750 pounds

per cord for red pine, 4,500 pounds per cord for white pine, and 5,000 pounds per cord for mixed hardwoods. If wood is being hauled to a purchaser that cannot or will not return a scale slip to this Forest, then the wood must be scaled by the Forest representative before being hauled.

2. Price per ticket (for contractors required to pre-pay, or those preferring this method) will be based on bid price per ton and average tons per haul.
3. A wood hauling ticket must be made out for each truckload of wood leaving the sale area.
4. The wood hauling ticket will be filled out, and the top copy detached and dropped in a lock box BEFORE the loaded truck leaves the sale area.
5. Truck driver must have corresponding and current sale hauling ticket in possession when transporting state forest wood.
6. The Department of Natural Resources reserves the right to have its agents check scale at any time.
7. The third portion of the wood hauling ticket must be detached and deposited with mill scaler at the time of wood delivery.
8. The timber sale contractor will be accountable for all hauling tickets issued to him.
9. Upon completion of the timber sale, all unused haul tickets will be returned to the Kettle Moraine State Forest - Southern Unit headquarters.
10. Hauling tickets may not be transferred between contractors.
11. Lock boxes will be provided by the Department of Natural Resources representative.
12. A list of all wood destinations will be given to the Forester by the operator. Any change in wood destination will be reported to the Forester before any wood products are hauled to the new destination.
13. Failure to follow the above provisions will be a violation of the sale contract.

# Waterville ZZ Sale (131 acres)

Scale: 9" = 1 mile, 1" = 587' (1:7,040)



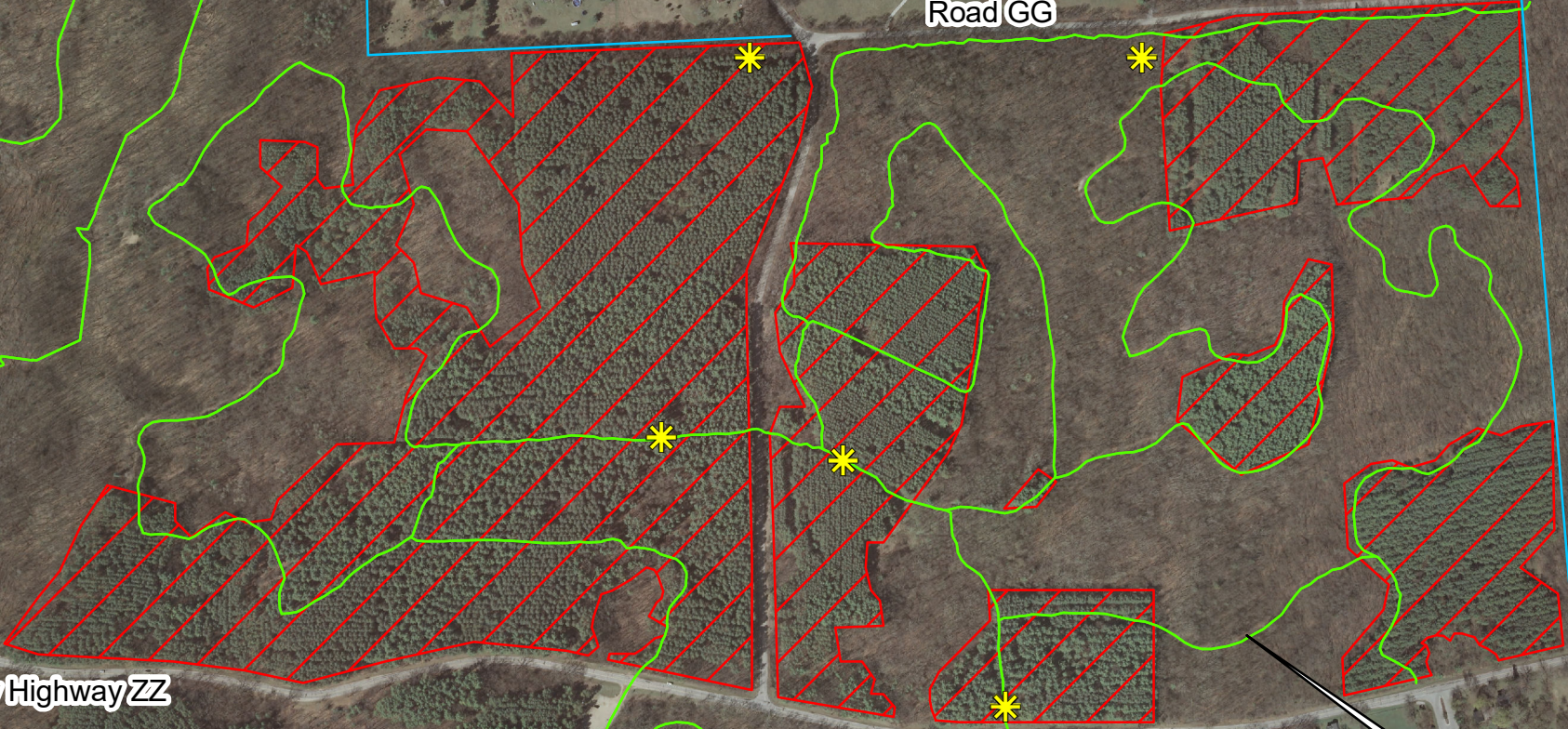
Waterville Road

Road GG

Private Land

Private Land

County Highway ZZ



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Potential decking areas

Horse/snowmobile trails

*This map is not a survey of the actual boundary of any property this map depicts*



