



**INVITATION FOR BIDS  
TIMBER STUMPAGE  
POLK COUNTY FOREST**

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Polk County Environmental Services Committee for timber stumpage on the Polk County Forest. This bid offering includes five (5) tracts with a combined acreage of 232 acres and the following combined estimated volumes:

1660	tons OAK
2820	tons JACK PINE
1640	tons ASPEN
500	tons MIXED HARDWOOD
50	tons RED PINE
510	tons WHITE PINE
8.4	MBF MIXED HARDWOOD
10.1	MBF OAK

Specific information may be obtained by writing to the Polk County Forest Administrator at: 100 Polk County Plaza Suite 40, Balsam Lake, WI 54810, calling (715) 485-9265, visiting [www.polk.wi.us/fptforestry](http://www.polk.wi.us/fptforestry), or emailing: [Mark.Gossman@co.polk.wi.us](mailto:Mark.Gossman@co.polk.wi.us)

Bids will be accepted until 2:00 P.M., April 21, 2020 at the Polk County Forestry Dept., second floor room 234 at the Polk County Government Center, Balsam Lake, WI.



**POLK COUNTY FOREST TIMBER SALE**  
April 2020

*Sale maps, descriptions and bid sheets are available online at:*  
<https://www.co.polk.wi.us/fptforestry>  
Or Google "Polk county timber sales"

Sealed "Timber Sale Bid" (so marked on the envelope) will be received by the Polk County Forest Administrator on behalf of the Polk County Environmental Services Committee (ESC) for timber stumpage on designated areas of the Polk County Forest. Bids will be accepted up to **2pm on Tuesday, April 21, 2020** at the Polk County Forest Administrator's office, ground floor of the Polk County Government Center, Balsam Lake, WI. Mailed bids must be received on or before Tuesday, April 21, 2020. Bids will be opened in the West Conference area Room 234 at the Polk County Government Center.

Mailing Address:  
**Polk County Forest Administrator**  
**100 Polk County Plaza, Suite 40**  
**Balsam Lake, WI 54810**

Bids will be opened publicly at 2 pm, Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 2020 at the Polk County Government Center. *Sales will be awarded by the ESC at the 9:00am regular meeting on April 22, 2020.* Polk County ESC reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids determined to be in the best interest of Polk County.

**BIDS**

- Bids must be made separately for each tract by species and product on the standard form provided or a reasonable facsimile thereof, and must be plainly marked on the outside of the envelope "SEALED TIMBER BID, TRACT # \_\_\_\_".
  - **\*\*Please note the following\*\***  
**All Tracts are being sold as consumer scale**
- **\*\*\*\*\*Bids Bonds are no longer required\*\*\*\*\***
  - The winning bidder must sign a sale contract and produce a performance bond within 45 days of the bid being awarded by the ESC or the bidder will be ineligible for bidding on sales for two years. Polk County will require a performance bond (15% of the total bid value) as a performance security. Letters of Credit a Certified, Personal, or Cashier's Check, Bank or Postal Money order payable to Polk County Forest are acceptable.
    - Letters of Credit must have an expiration date of June 30, 2023.

**CONTRACTS WILL EXPIRE ON JUNE 30, 2022. Contract extensions are not guaranteed.**

**INSURANCE**

An original certificate of insurance showing proof of worker's compensation coverage or legal exemption and as well as a minimum of \$1,000,000 liability coverage with Polk County included as the "named insured" is required to be filed with the County's sale file prior to the beginning of any work on the contract area.

## TRAINING STANDARD

Polk County requires appropriate training of its logging contactors. Successful purchasers of Polk County Forest stumpage will need to ensure that the logging contractor complies with the **Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative®** Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC). Criteria for the standard can be found at: <http://www.fistausa.org/become-sfi.html> Documentation confirming completion of the training standard will be required prior to any work on the contract area.

Polk County Forest is third party certified.

## SALES

The County reserves the right to either accept mill scale or to scale wood on the site. **Sale volumes are estimates and are not guaranteed.** Pulpwood is defined as 100” sticks to a 4” top for Aspen, Oak, and Mixed Hardwood. Pine will be to a 4” top. Hardwood sawlogs are defined as being at least 8’ long and taken to a 10” diameter inside bark (dib) on the small end. Logs will be scaled at the sale site using Scribner Decimal C log rule unless a Mill scale slip can be provided. ‘Hand’ or ‘stick’ scaled wood will be converted according to the WDNR Timber Sale Handbook table below (please note mixed hardwood is added by Polk County):

### CORDWOOD WEIGHT CONVERSION FACTORS (POUNDS PER CORD)

<u>Species</u>	<u>Weight</u>
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

The lock box ticket system will be used for all sales unless otherwise stated on the individual sale map. Copies of all mill scale slips shall be provided to the Polk County Forestry Department. Arrangements will be made to scale all saw timber and products for which mill scale slips cannot be obtained.

Polk County requires prepayment on all sales before cutting may begin. Payment schedules are listed in the timber sale contract. A timber sale contract is available upon request.

**For all Polk County timber sales located in Sterling Township, only bark free Oak trees or Oak trees with loose bark may be sold to private individuals. The purpose of this restriction is to avoid spreading Oak Wilt to surrounding areas.**

*Wisconsin Forestry Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Water Quality, Wisconsin Forestry BMPs for Invasive Species AND Wisconsin Forestry BMPs for Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines will be followed. Rutting and other excessive soil damage will result in ceasing operations.*

No whole tree harvesting allowed unless otherwise stated on the individual sale map.

**NO TIMBER SALE MAY BEGIN WITHOUT A MEETING WITH THE POLK COUNTY FOREST ADMINISTRATOR OR DNR FORESTER AT THE SALE SITE.**

*\*Building of roads and/or landings must be approved by the Forest Administrator or the DNR Forester before construction*

Maps can be obtained by visiting the Polk County Forestry office, calling the office or by going to the website below:

<https://www.co.polk.wi.us/fptforestry>

Scroll down to Resources and click on Timber Sales.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact either the Polk County Forestry Department at 715-485-9265 or [Mark.Gossman@co.polk.wi.us](mailto:Mark.Gossman@co.polk.wi.us) or you can also contact Paul Heimstead, WDNR Forester at 715-410-8316

Thank you,

Mark Gossman  
Polk County Forest Administrator

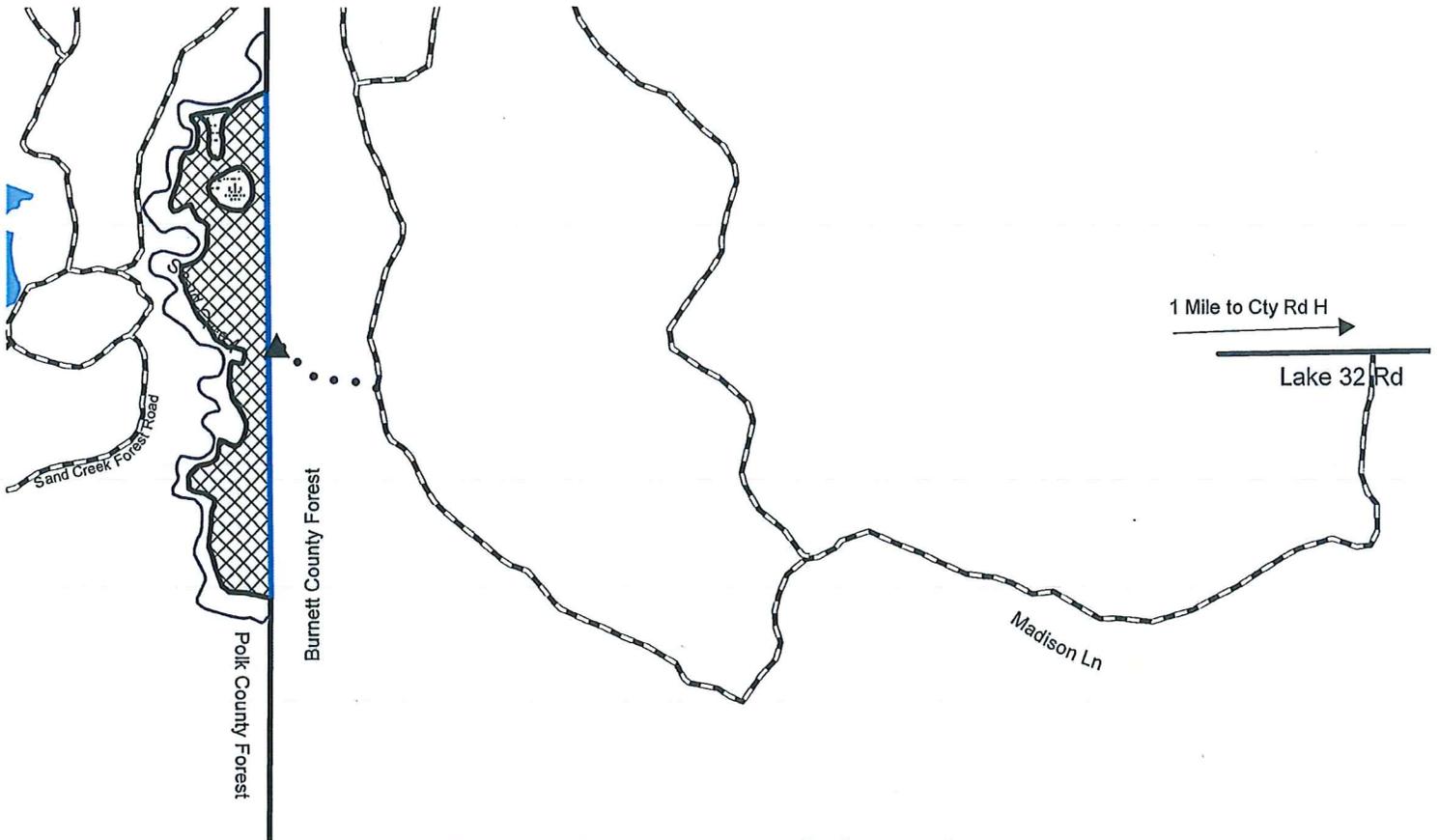
# Polk County Forest Timber Sale Map

"B.C.A.S.C.T. Sale"



Estimated Volumes			
<b>Species</b>	<b>Pulpwood-TONS</b>	<b>Advertised Minimum:</b>	<b>\$7.281.00</b>
White Pine*	510	Acres:	32
Aspen	170	Tract #:	02-17
Mixed Hdwd	100	Prepared By:	JK
Red Pine	50	Date:	3/9/2017
<b>Totals</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>Contract #:</b>	

\*Approximately 15% of white pine volume is sawlog size



## Cutting Requirements/Information

### Block 1

- Cut all Jack Pine, Oak, Aspen and Mixed Hdwd 2" and greater.
- Avoid excessive damage to advanced regeneration especially young Jack Pine found in previously scarified scalps.

### Block 2

- Cut all Jack Pine, Oak, Aspen and Mixed Hdwd one merchantable stick and greater.
- Avoid excessive damage to advanced regeneration.

### All Blocks

- Sale is bound by 285th Ave, 310th St, red paint lines, yellow paint lines and timber type changes.
- No new road construction should be needed. A berm will need to be removed for access and then reinstalled after sale is completed.
- Slash must be kept 20' from town roads, 10' from woods roads and less than 2' from the ground.
- Any oak sold to private individuals must have loose bark or be bark free. This is to prevent the further spread of oak wilt throughout the area.
- No rutting allowed. No other seasonal restrictions.

## Legend

Harvest Area (32 Acres)

Town Roads

Woods Roads

Blue Paint Line

Old Skid Trail

Proposed Landing

0 0.1 0.2 0.4 0.6 Miles

### Legal Description

N 1/2, NE 1/4, Section 14, T36N-R20W Sterling Township



# Spring 2019 Polk County Forest Bid Sheet

Tract 02-17 "B.C.A.S.C.T Sale"

I hereby submit the following bid:

Species	Product	Est. Volume	Unit	Bid per unit	Total Bid
*White Pine	Saw,Pulp	510	Tons		
Aspen	Pulp	170	Tons		
MX hard.	Pulp	100	Tons		
Red Pine	Pulp	50	Tons		
				<b>Total Bid</b>	

\*Approx 15% of volume is sawlogs

Minimum Value: \$7,281.00

**Sale method:**

**Mill scale**

Bidder Name:

Address:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

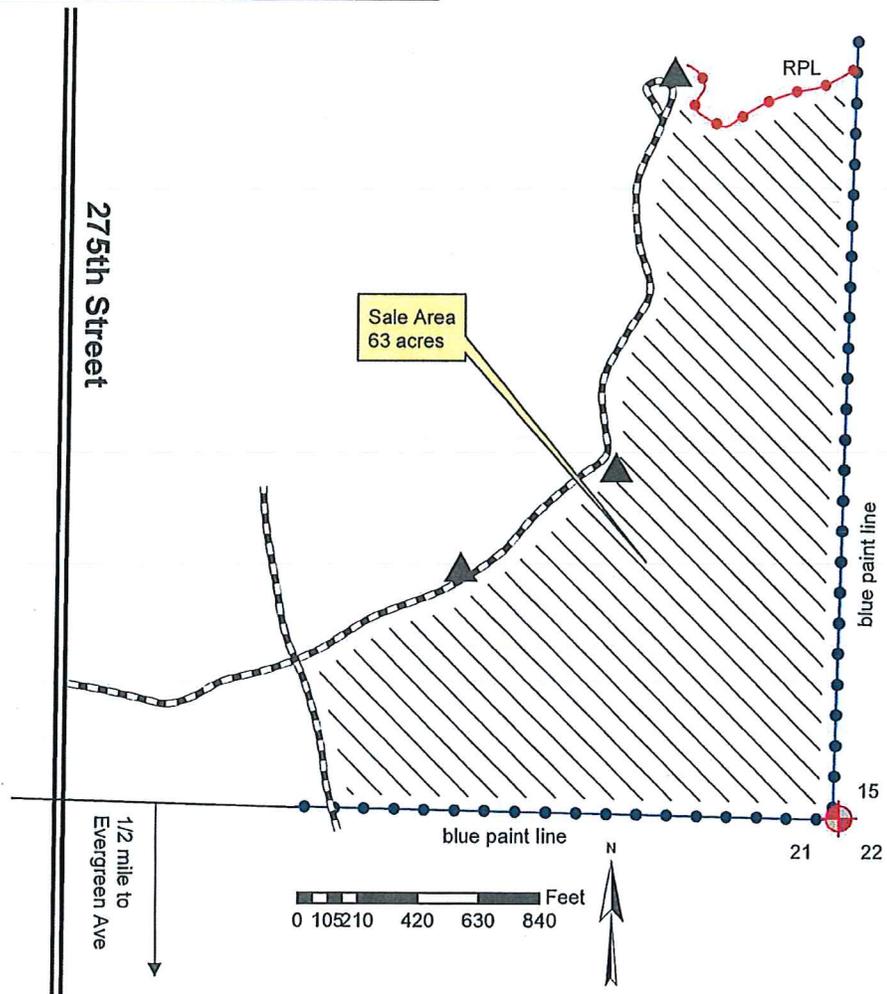
Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A performance bond of 15% of the total bid will be due from the successful bidder within 30 days of the bid opening. No bid bond required.

## POLK COUNTY FOREST

<b>MAPPED BY:</b> PAUL HEIMSTEAD	<b>PROJECT TYPE:</b> TIMBER SALE	<b>TIMBER SALE NUMBER (ASSIGNED ONCE SOLD)</b>
<b>DATE DRAWN:</b> 10-22-19	<b>COMP:</b> 14 <b>STAND:</b> 3, 12	<b>CONTRACTOR:</b>
<b>TOWNSHIP:</b> STERLING	<b>DNR PROPERTY AND TRACT #:</b> 4900      4-19	<b>EXPIRATION DATE:</b>
<b>TOWN/ RANGE/ SECTION</b> T36N R19W SEC. 16	<b>ACRES:</b> 63 ACRE JACK PINE/ASPEN /OAK	<h3>GRAPE VINE DUNE SALE</h3>

<b>Estimated Volume (to a 4" top)</b>	
Jack Pine	1000 tons
Aspen	350 tons
Oak	300 tons (includes 20 MBF)
<b>Ad. Min. Value</b>	<b>\$18,585.00</b>



### Cutting Requirements / Information

1. Harvest all 2-stick Jack Pine and Aspen and all merchantable oak over 12 inches DBH (leave culls).
2. Sale is bound by road, red paint, or blue paint.
3. Utilization: 4 inch top.
4. Whole tree harvesting not permitted. Slash must be lopped and scattered to within 3 feet of the ground.
5. No cutting with 100 feet of private blue line between April 15 and July 15.
6. No cutting, hauling, or forwarding during wet periods when rutting occurs.
7. Due to the likely presence of oak wilt, no oak shall be sold to private individuals unless the bark is loose or off, or is a year old.
8. Any landings, new access roads, or turn-arounds must be approved by County Forest Administrator.
9. This is a scaled sale for all products using the lock box ticket system.

# Spring 2020 Polk County Forest Bid Sheet

*Tract 4-19. "Grape Vine Dune Sale"*

I hereby submit the following bid:

Species	Product	Est. Volume	Unit	Bid per unit	Total Bid
Jack Pine	Saw,Pulp	1000	Tons		
Aspen	Pulp	350	Tons		
*Oak	Pulp	300	Tons		
				<b>Total Bid</b>	

\*Includes 20MBF of sawlogs

**Minimum Value: \$18,585.00**

**Sale method:**  
**Mill scale**

Bidder Name:  
Address:

Email:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A performance bond of 15% of the total bid will be due from the successful bidder within 45 days of the bid opening. No bid bond required.

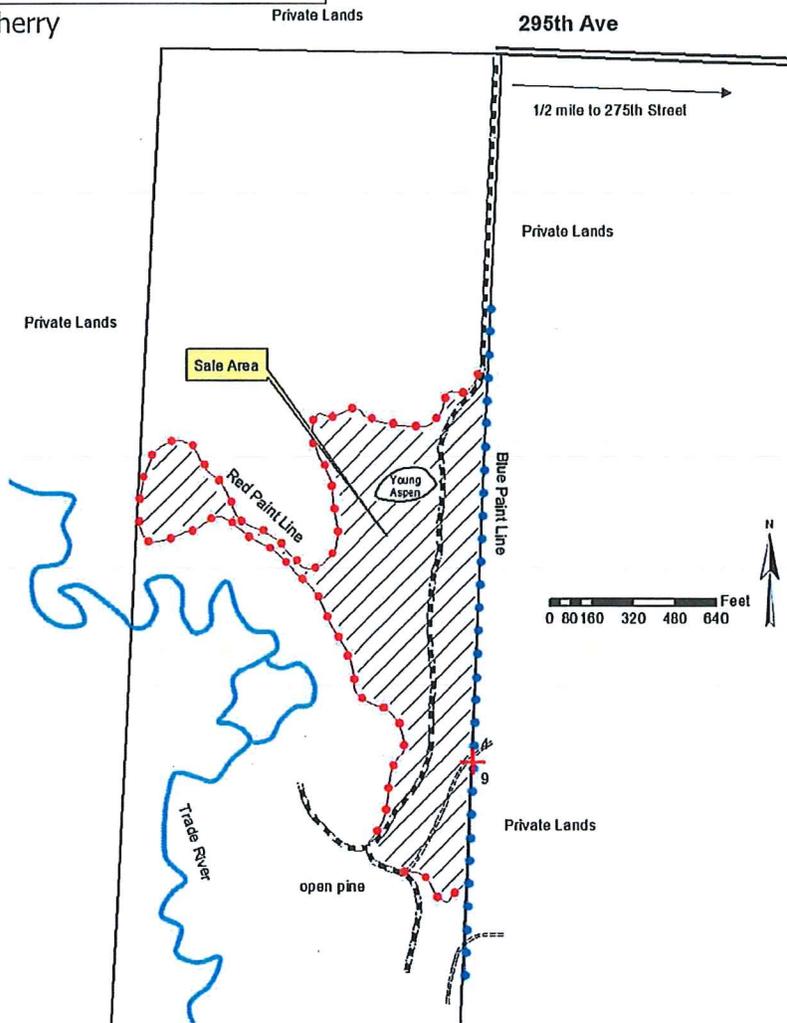
All Bids must meet or exceed the Minimum Value or the bid will be rejected

## POLK COUNTY FOREST

<b>MAPPED BY:</b> PAUL HEIMSTEAD	<b>PROJECT TYPE:</b> TIMBER SALE	<b>TIMBER SALE NUMBER (ASSIGNED ONCE SOLD)</b>
<b>DATE DRAWN:</b> 11-12-19	<b>COMP:</b> 9 <b>STAND:</b> 7, 13	<b>CONTRACTOR:</b>
<b>TOWNSHIP:</b> STERLING	<b>DNR PROPERTY AND TRACT #:</b> 4900      5-19	<b>EXPIRATION DATE:</b>
<b>TOWN/ RANGE/ SECTION</b> T36N R19W SEC. 5	<b>ACRES:</b> 21 ACRE JACK PINE/OAK/ ASPEN	<b>BB SINGLE BOOT SALE</b>

<b>Estimated Volume (to a 4" top)</b>	
Jack Pine	300 tons
Aspen/mx hdwd	100 tons (70% aspen)
Oak	150 tons
<b>Ad. Min. Value</b>	<b>\$5445.00</b>

Mixed hdwd includes birch, ash, elm, cherry



### Cutting Requirements / Information

1. Cut all stems over 2 inches in diameter except leave all white pine, white or bur oak over 16 inches DBH and any large oak culls.
2. Sale is bound by road, red paint, or blue paint.
3. Utilization: 4 inch top.
4. Whole tree harvesting not permitted. Slash must be lopped and scattered to within 3 feet of the ground.
5. No cutting with 100 feet of private blue line between April 15 and July 15.
6. No cutting, hauling, or forwarding during wet periods when rutting occurs.
7. Due to the likely presence of oak wilt, no oak shall be sold to private individuals unless the bark is loose or off, or is a year old.
8. Any landings, new access roads, or turn-arounds must be approved by County Forest Administrator.
9. This is a scaled sale for all products using the lock box ticket system.

# Spring 2020 Polk County Forest Bid Sheet

Tract 5-19. "BB Single Boot Sale"

I hereby submit the following bid:

Species	Product	Est. Volume	Unit	Bid per unit	Total Bid
Jack Pine	Pulp	300	Tons		
*Aspen/mx hwd	Pulp	100	Tons		
Oak	Pulp	150	Tons		
				<b>Total Bid</b>	

\*mx hwd includes birch, ash, elm cherry

**Minimum Value: \$5,445.00**

**Sale method:**  
**Mill scale**

Bidder Name:  
Address:

Email:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A performance bond of 15% of the total bid will be due from the successful bidder within 45 days of the bid opening. No bid bond required.

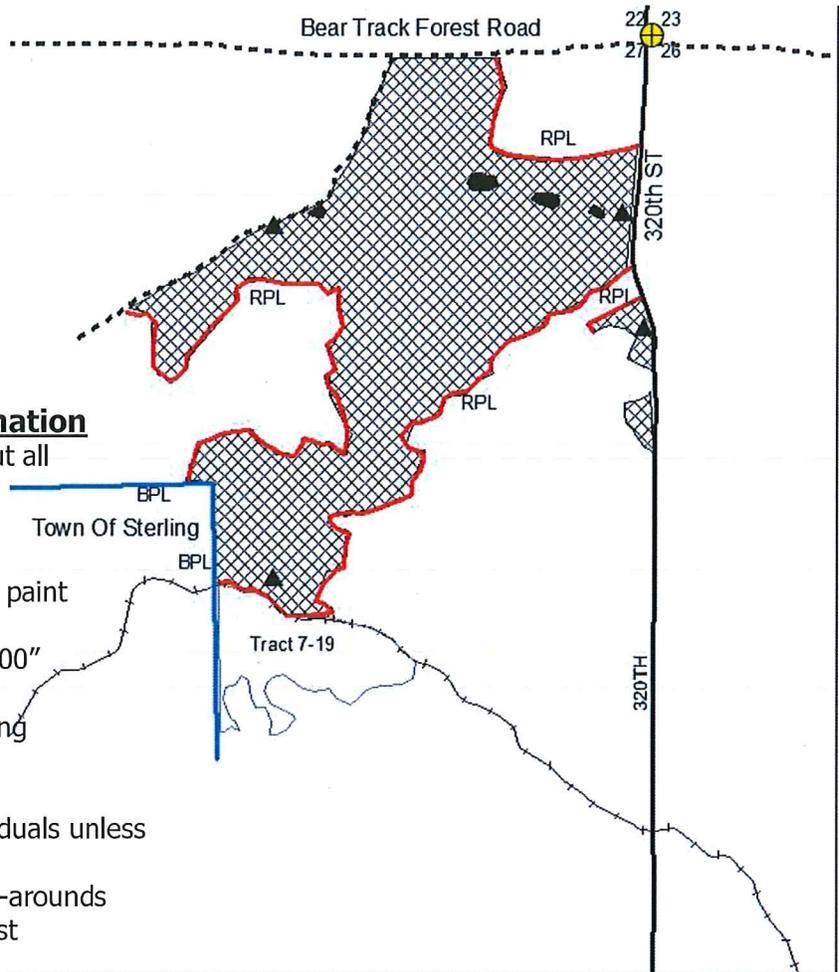
All Bids must meet or exceed the Minimum Value or the bid will be rejected

# POLK COUNTY FOREST

<b>MAPPED BY:</b> MARK GOSSMAN	<b>PROJECT TYPE:</b> TIMBER SALE	<b>TIMBER SALE NUMBER (ASSIGNED ONCE SOLD)</b>
<b>DATE DRAWN:</b> 10-23-19	<b>COMP: STAND:</b> 18 15	<b>CONTRACTOR:</b>
<b>TOWNSHIP:</b> STERLING	<b>DNR PROPERTY AND TRACT #:</b> 4900 6-19	<b>EXPIRATION DATE:</b> 6/30/2022
<b>TOWN/ RANGE/ SECTION</b> T36N R20W SEC27	<b>ACRES:</b> 98 ACRE JACK PINE/ SCRUB OAK	<b>STANDING BEAR</b>

Estimated Volume	4" tons	MBF
Jack Pine	1520	
*Scrub Oak pulpwood	1150	
Aspen	720	
<b>Ad. Min. Value</b>	<b>\$29,616.00</b>	

- Scrub Oak Volume contains a small amount of birch, maple, cherry

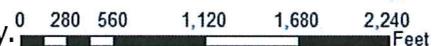


### Cutting Requirements / Information

- Cut all Aspen 2 inches and larger. Cut all Jack pine, Oak, Maple and Cherry that contain at least one pulp stick.
- Sale is bound by road, red paint, blue paint. Leave areas bound by red paint
- Utilization: Utilize all harvested trees and limbs that make at least 1 100" pulp stick 4" inches small end.
- No cutting hauling or forwarding during wet periods when rutting occurs.
- Due to the presence of oak wilt, no wood shall be sold to private individuals unless bark is loose or off.
- Any landings, new access roads, turn-arounds Must be approved by the County Forest Administrator.
- If snowtrail is utilized during snowmobile season, Trail must remain passable, free of debris and snow covered.
- Horse trail must remain free of debris and passable.
- Mill scale using the ticket system for all products.
- Products may be scaled on the landing at discretion of County Forest Administrator.
- Slash must be lopped and scattered within 2 feet of the ground.
- Cut all Aspen 2 inches and larger. Cut all Jack pine and Oak that contain at least one pulp stick.
- No felling of trees or equipment operation on the Town of Sterling Property.

### Legend

- Harvest Area
- Blue Paint Line (BPL)
- Red Paint Line (RPL)
- Snowmobile /Horse Trail
- Woods/ Forest Roads
- Town Roads
- Proposed Landing
- Leave Areas



# Spring 2020 Polk County Forest Bid Sheet

Tract 06-19 "Standing Bear"

I hereby submit the following bid:

Species	Product	Est. Volume	Unit	Bid per unit	Total Bid
Jack Pine	Pulp	1520	Tons		
*Scrub Oak	Pulp	1150	Tons		
Aspen	Pulp	720	Tons		

\*Scrub Oak Volume contains a small amount of birch, maple, cherry

**Total Bid**

Minimum Value:

**\$29,616.00**

**Sale method:**

**Mill scale**

Bidder Name:

Address:

Email:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A performance bond of 15% of the total bid will be due from the successful bidder within 45 days of the bid opening. No bid bond required.

All Bids must meet or exceed the Minimum Value or the bid will be rejected

# POLK COUNTY FOREST

MAPPED BY: <b>MARK GOSSMAN</b>	PROJECT TYPE: <b>TIMBER SALE</b>	TIMBER SALE NUMBER(ASSIGNED ONCE SOLD)
DATE DRAWN: <b>11/7/2019</b>	COMP:            STAND: <b>34                    7</b>	CONTRACTOR:
TOWNSHIP: <b>LORAIN</b>	DNR PROPERTY AND TRACT #: <b>4900                    8-19</b>	EXPIRATION DATE: <b>6/30/2022</b>
TOWN/ RANGE/ SECTION <b>T37N R15W Sec22</b>	ACRES: <b>18 ACRE ASPEN/OAK CLEARCUT</b>	<b>ASPEN MIX</b>

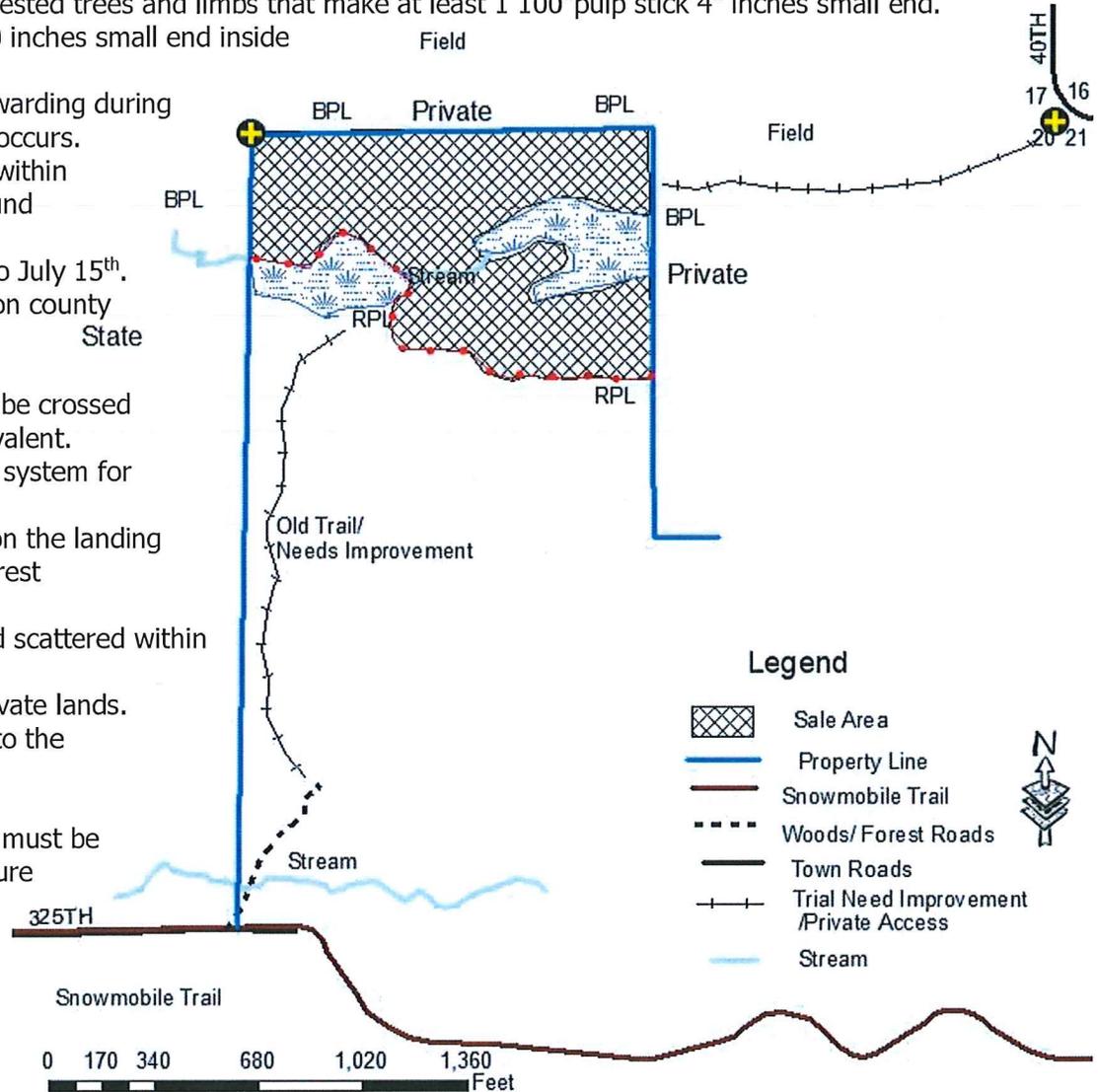
Estimated Volume	4" tons	MBF
Aspen	300	
*MX HWD	400	8.4
Oak	60	10.1
<b>Ad. Min. Value</b>	<b>\$6,387.30</b>	

\*MX hardwood Volume contains 34% Basswood, 28% Hard Maple, 24% Red maple, 6% birch, 4% Ash, 3% Elm, and 1% Cherry

## Mill Scale

### Cutting Requirements / Information

- Cut all Aspen 2 inches and larger. Cut all Red Oak, Maple Basswood, Birch, Ash, Elm and Cherry that are at least 6 inches in diameter 5 feet above the ground. **Leave all White Oak.**
- Sale is bound by red paint, blue paint and wetlands.
- Utilization: Utilize all harvested trees and limbs that make at least 1 100"pulp stick 4" inches small end.
- Utilize all Sawlogs to a 10 inches small end inside bark diameter
- No cutting hauling or forwarding during wet periods when rutting occurs.
- No equipment operation within 15' of wetland unless ground is frozen.
- No harvesting April 15<sup>th</sup> to July 15<sup>th</sup>.
- Road must be improved on county land. Timber Mats are State available from the county.
- Stream within tract must be crossed with timber mats or equivalent.
- Mill scale using the ticket system for all products.
- Products may be scaled on the landing at discretion of County Forest Administrator.
- Slash must be lopped and scattered within 3 feet of the ground.
- No felling of trees on private lands.
- Access through the field to the East of tract has not been secured.
- Berms along access road must be replaced prior to sale closure



# Spring 2020 Polk County Forest Bid Sheet

Tract 08-19 "Aspen Mix"

I hereby submit the following bid:

Species	Product	Est. Volume	Unit	Bid per unit	Total Bid
Aspen	Pulp	300	Tons		
MX HWD	Pulp	400	Tons		
MX HWD	Saw	8.4	MBF		
Oak	Pulp	60	Tons		
Oak	Saw	10.1	MBF		
				<b>Total Bid</b>	

\*Approx 15% of volume is sawlogs

Minimum Value: \$6,387.30

**Sale method:**  
**Mill scale**

Bidder Name:  
Address:

Email:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

A performance bond of 15% of the total bid will be due from the successful bidder within 45 days of the bid opening. No bid bond required.

All Bids must meet or exceed the Minimum Vaule or the bid will be rejected