

This Timber Sale Notice does not constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal of a forest management decision. Consistent with 43 CFR Subpart 5003 – Administrative Remedies, the notice of a timber sale, when published as a legal ad in a newspaper of general circulation shall constitute the decision document for purposes of protest and appeal. Protests may be filed with the Contracting Officer within 15 days of the publication of the aforementioned decision document in the newspaper. (No e-mail or fax protests will be accepted.) It is anticipated that the decision document will be published in the Medford Mail Tribune newspaper on or about May 15, 2008. BLM does not warrant publication on this exact date. All parties considering protest of the timber sale decision document are encouraged to review the aforementioned newspaper to ensure accurate knowledge of the exact publication date.

TIMBER FOR SALE, UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR, BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT. ORAL AUCTION OR SEALED BIDS as hereinafter designated will be received by the District Manager, Bureau of Land Management, Medford District Office, 3040 Biddle Road, Medford, Oregon 97504, at 9:00 a.m., on Thursday, May 29, 2008, 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. 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. This sale notice, first published on May 15, 2008, constitutes the decision document for purposes of protests and appeals under 43 CFR Subpart 5003 - Administrative Remedies. Protests of any sale listed below must be filed within 15 days after the first publication of this notice. The regulations do not authorize the acceptance of protests in any form other than a signed, written hard copy that is delivered to the physical address of the advertising BLM office. As such the original signed protest must be hand delivered by the close-of-business at 4:30 p.m., or post marked on the 15th day of the protest period. SSTS-SPECIAL SALVAGE TIMBER SALES: Bidding on special salvage timber sales is limited to small business concerns as defined by the Small Business Act, Section 3, 72 Stat. 384, 15 U.S. Code 632, and the regulations of the Small Business Administration, Title 13, Code of Federal Regulations, Part 121, as amended. IN JACKSON COUNTY: OREGON: O&C AND PD: SPECIAL SALVAGE: SCALE SALE: ORAL AUCTION: BIG BUTTE ROAD SALVAGE TIMBER SALE: All timber designated for cutting on certain Federal lands in Section 35, T. 33 S., R. 2 E., Sections 1, 2, 3, 8, 9, 10, 13, 15, 16, 17, 23, 24, 26, 33, and 35, T. 34 S., R. 2 E., Sections 19, 29, and 31, T. 34 S., R. 3 E., and Sections 1 and 3, T. 35 S., R. 2 E., Will. Mer., estimated for the purpose of this sale to be 389 M bd. ft. No written bid for less than \$19,495.90 will be considered. The minimum deposit with written bid is \$2,000.00.