This Advertisement includes:

Date Mailed: August 23, 2006

#1. Mari Kelsey

**#5.** Flounce Around – \*SBA Set-Aside

#6. August Knob Salvage – \*SSTS Set-Aside - \*\*Scale Sale

Sale Date: September 21, 2006

# UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT District Office 3040 Biddle Road Medford, Oregon 97504

# TIMBER SALE NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Bureau of Land Management will offer for sale timber as described herein for oral auction, pursuant to Instructions to Bidders, as stated on Form No. 5440-9 and subject to Notice of Requirement for Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities, Form No. 1140-4, attached. <u>Written and oral bids will be received by the District Manager, or his representative, at the Bureau of Land Management Grants Pass Interagency Office, 2164 NE Spalding Avenue, Grants Pass, Oregon, telephone (541) 471-6500. This is not a public meeting and is an invitation to bid only. Therefore, only those persons bidding on timber sales will be allowed to attend this auction. <u>The timber sale will</u> commence at 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2006, at the Grants Pass Interagency Office, 2164 NE Spalding Avenue, Grants Pass, Oregon.</u>

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. 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. (No e-mail or fax protests will be accepted.) It is anticipated that the decision document will be published in the Medford Mail Tribune, Grants Pass Daily Courier, and Roseburg News Review newspapers on or about August 24, 2006. 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 newspapers to ensure accurate knowledge of the exact publication date.

A WRITTEN BID on Form 5440-9 at not less than the appraised price on a unit basis per species and the required minimum bid deposit shall be required to participate in oral bidding for each tract.

\*FOR SET-ASIDE TRACTS, the bidder must not have been determined by the Small Business Administration to be ineligible for preferential award of set-aside sales and must accompany his deposit with a self-certification statement that he is qualified as a small business concern as defined by the Small Business Administration in its regulations, Title 13, Chapter I, Part 121 as amended, of the Code of Federal Regulations. The Form 5430-1, Self Certification Statement, must be completed prior to awarding the contract. The successful bidder will be required to sign SBA Form 723, 'Small Business Certification Required on all Preferential Sales of Set-Aside Timber' at the time he signs the timber sale contract.

APPRAISED PRICES are determined by analytical appraisal methods unless otherwise noted on individual timber sale notices.

THE SUCCESSFUL BIDDER, as a condition of award, will be required to complete and/or sign the following forms:

- 1. Form 1140-6, a certification that the bid was arrived at by the bidder or offeror independently, and was tendered without collusion with any other bidder or offeror.
- 2. Form 1140-7, Equal Opportunity Affirmative Action Program Representation, for all contracts over \$10,000.00.
- 3. Form 1140-8, Equal Opportunity Compliance Report Certification.
- 4. Form 5450-17, Export Determination.

A PERFORMANCE BOND in an amount not less than 20 percent of the total purchase price will be required for all contracts of \$2,500 or more, but the amount of the bond shall not be in excess of \$500,000, except when the Purchaser opts to increase the minimum bond as provided in 43 CFR 5451.2. A minimum performance bond of not less than \$500 will be required for all installment contracts less than \$2,500.

QUALIFIED SMALL BUSINESS concerns may apply to the Small Business Administration for a loan to provide financing for access road construction required under the terms of qualifying timber sale contracts and necessary contract changes will be made. Approval of loan applications rests with the Small Business Administration and may be contingent upon availability of funds. Applicants for such loans shall notify the Bureau of Land Management of their intention to apply for such loan. LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION. All timber sales shall be subject to the restrictions relating to the export and substitution of unprocessed timber from the United States in accordance with P.L. 94-165 and 43 CFR 5400 and 5420, as amended.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION concerning each timber sale tract described herein is available at the Medford District Office. A copy of the timber sale contract is also available for inspection at the District Office.

THE VOLUMES LISTED herein are estimates only, based on 16-foot taper breaks, which must be taken into consideration if comparisons are made with volume predictions based on other standards. The volumes based on 32-foot taper breaks are shown for comparison purposes. No sale shall be made for less than the total purchase price, without regard to the amount bid per unit, even though quantity of timber actually cut or removed or designated for taking is more or less than the estimated volume or quantity so listed.

\*\*SCALE SALES. The estimated volume listed herein, in 16-foot logs, is based on sample plots of the salvage area, comparable stand types, and aerial photos. The estimate of volume is used solely as an administrative aid for determining when payments are due, value of timber subject to any bonding provisions, timber sale appraisal, and other purposes specified in various sections of the contract. Sale volumes will be scaled, graded and determined by a certified third party scaling organization (TPSO) scaler. The scaling rules will be according to the Northwest Log Rules Eastside Log Scaling Handbook, as amended, or supplemented by BLM before the first advertisement date of the sale and as specified in the contract. BLM scale varies significantly from the official log scaling and grading rules used by Columbia River Scaling Bureau and other Bureaus. Payment for timber sold under these contracts will be based on units times the price per measurement unit as shown on Exhibit B together with the terms and conditions listed therein, and may be more or less than the total bid purchase price. For further information see the Timber Sale Prospectus.

INSTALLMENT PAYMENTS may be authorized for sales of \$500 or more. Required installments will be determined by BLM. For sales under \$500,000, installments will not be less than 10% of the total purchase price. For sales of \$500,000 or more, installment payments shall be \$50,000.

A SALE DEPOSIT equal to an installment is required prior to approval of the contract. This deposit must be made in cash or by check payable to the Department of Interior - BLM.

AN IRREVOCABLE LETTER OF CREDIT (ILC) may be used in place of bid bonds, performance bonds, and payment bonds. ILC 's must be approved by the Authorized Officer <u>prior</u> to use and are subject to certain limitations. Contact the District Office for further information.

THE PURCHASER is given no authority to enter upon or cross any private lands or to use any privately-owned property or improvements unless such rights are specifically covered in the contract stipulations. If the Purchaser desires to make any use of private property which is not specifically authorized by the contract, they must make the necessary prior-arrangements for such use with the landowner.

PRIOR TO STARTING any operations, the Purchaser or their designated representative will be required to meet with the Authorized Officer or their representative and the Contract Administrator for a prework conference. If a subcontractor is to be involved in the operation, the subcontractor must also be represented at the conference. If more than one subcontractor is to be involved in the operation, it may be necessary to have more than one prework conference unless all subcontractors can be present at one conference.

PRIOR TO THE AWARD of any timber sale, the Bureau of Land Management may require the high bidder to furnish such information as is necessary to determine the ability of the bidder to perform the obligations of the contract. The following information is required for first time high bidders bidding as:

- 1. Individuals
  - a. A Citizenship Affidavit, Form 5450-9.
  - b. A certified Financial Statement prepared no earlier than 60 days prior to the sale date.
- 2. <u>Partnerships or Unincorporated Associations</u>
  - a. A Citizenship Affidavit, Form 5450-9, for each member of the partnership or association.
  - b. A copy of the partnership agreement, or if no formal partnership agreement, a letter showing the nature of the business conducted by the partnership, the partnership term, and the name of the partner or partners authorized to execute timber sale contracts and performance bonds on behalf of the partnership.
  - c. A certified Financial Statement prepared no earlier than 60 days prior to the sale date.
- 3. <u>Corporations</u>
  - a. A certified copy of the articles of incorporation and by-laws.

- b. A certified copy of the resolution of the board of directors authorizing the officers to sign timber sale contracts and performance bonds on behalf of the corporation.
- c. An original certificate from the Corporation Commissioner authorizing the corporation to transact business in the State of Oregon.
- d. A certified Financial Statement prepared no earlier than 60 days prior to the sale date.

Those bidders who have demonstrated poor performance, including recent contract defaults, may be required to provide additional performance assurances in the form of advanced payment and/or an increased performance bond as a condition for award of contract. These extraordinary requirements may be required on a case-by-case basis.

PREAWARD QUALIFICATIONS. The higher bidder may be required to furnish information to determine the ability to perform the obligations of the contract. If the high bidder is determined not qualified, responsible, or refuses to respond within five (5) days of a request for information pertaining to qualifications, the contract may be offered and awarded for the amount of the high bid to the highest of the bidders who is qualified, responsible, and willing to accept the contract.

OTHER. 43 CFR Chapter 11 (10-1-92 Edition), Subpart 5442 - Bidding Procedure. § 5442.3 <u>Rejection of Bids; Waiver of Minor Deficiencies</u>. When the Authorized Officer determines it to be in the interest of the Government to do so, he may reject any or all bids and may waive minor deficiencies in the bids or the timber sale advertisement. (38 FR 6280, March 8, 1973).

ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENTS and an environmental impact statement were prepared for these sales, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. These documents are available for inspection as background for these sales at the Medford District Office and the Grants Pass Interagency Office. Form 1140-4 (June 1974)

#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

### NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT FOR CERTIFICATION OF NONSEGREGATED FACILITIES

Bidders and offerors are cautioned as follows: by signing this bid or offer or entering into this contract or lease, as the case may be, the bidder, offeror, or contractor will be deemed to have signed and agreed to the provisions of the Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities in this solicitation. The certification provides that the bidder or offeror does not maintain or provide for his employees facilities which are segregated on a basis of race, color, religion, sex, or national origin, whether such facilities are segregated by directive or on a de facto basis. The provides that he will not maintain such certification also segregated facilities. Failure of a bidder or offeror to agree to the Certification of Nonsegregated Facilities will render his bid or offer nonresponsive to the terms of solicitations involving awards of contract exceeding \$10,000 which are not exempt from the provisions of the Equal Opportunity clause.

In accordance with 41 CFR 60, as amended May 19, 1967, and Executive Order No. 11246 of September 24, 1965, as amended, this notification will be included in all notices of invitations for bid, lease, offers, and requests for proposal where prospective nonexempt contracts may exceed \$10,000.

Form 5430-1	UNITED STATES								
(May 1965)	DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR								
(formerly 4 - 1560)	BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT								
SELF CERTIFICATION CLAUSE									
BIDDERS STATEMENT									
The bidder represents that he	is is not a small business concern as defined by Title 13, Chapter 1,								

Part 121 of the Code of Federal Regulations, as amended.

(Date)	(Signature of Bidder)					
Title 18 USC, sec. 1001, makes it a crime for any person knowingly and willfully to make to any department or agency of the United States any false, fictitious or fraudulent statements or representations as to any matter within its jurisdiction.						
INSTRUCTIONS						
In order to qualify for a set-aside sale, all bidders <i>must</i> certify to being a small business concern by submitting an executed Self Certification Clause.	the Self Certification Clause will be immediately returned, with the deposit, to the unsuccessful bidders but may be re- submitted to qualify for other set-aside sales offered on the same date.					
The date on the Self Certification Clause and the sale date <i>must be the same</i> .	The Self Certification Clause submitted by the successful bidder will be retained by the Bureau of Land Management					
A Self Certification Clause <i>must</i> accompany the deposit to qualify for <i>each</i> set-aside sale. After a sale award is made,	ment. GPO 850 – 444					

GPO 850 – 444 GPO 905716 GLENDALE RESOURCE AREA JOSEPHINE MASTER UNIT Medford Sale #06-09 September 21, 2006 (SBB)

## #1. MARI KELSEY, Douglas and Curry Counties, O&C

BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$27,600.00

All timber designated for cutting in S½SW¼ Section 13, SE¼NE¼, SE¼SW¼, SE¼ Section 22, SW¼NW¼, NW¼SW¼ Section 23, NE¼NW¼, S½NW¼, NE¼SW¼ Section 24, W½NE¼, NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼ Section 27, SE¼SE¼ Section 28, Lots 3 and 4, NE¼, NE¼SW¼, NW¼SE¼ Section 33, T. 32 S., R. 9 W., Willamette Meridian.

Approx. Number Merch. Trees	Est. Volume MBF 32' Log	Est. Volume CCF	Species	Est. Volume MBF 16' Log	Appr. Price Per MBF*		st. Volume Times Appraised Price
12,772	2,005	4,355	Douglas–fir	2,487	\$	93.40	\$ 232,285.80
869	353	655	Sugar pine	433	\$	100.60	\$ 43,559.80
13,641	2,358	5,010	Totals	2,920			\$ 275,845.60

\*Stumpage values have been determined by market value estimates and analytical appraisal methods were used to compute the appraised price. Additional information concerning the appraised price is available at the Medford District Office.

#### <u>TIMBER AUCTION LOCATION</u> – The timber auction will be held at the BLM Grants Pass Interagency Office, located at 2164 NE Spalding Avenue, Grants Pass, Oregon, at 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2006.

<u>CRUISE INFORMATION</u> - The Douglas-fir and sugar pine have been cruised using the 3-P sampling method to select sample trees. Maps showing the location and description of these sample trees are available at the Medford District Office.

All of the sample trees have been measured, utilizing the VOLT system of measurement, and the volume expanded to a total sale volume.

Approximately 0 trees which are considered to be nonmerchantable are designated for cutting. Approximately 1% of the total sale volume is salvage material. With respect to merchantable trees of all conifer species: the average tree is 15.8 inches DBHOB; the average gross merchantable log contains 73 bd. ft.; the total gross volume is approximately 3,232 M bd. ft.; and 90% recovery is expected. (Average DF is 14.5 inches DBHOB; average gross merchantable log DF contains 67 bd. ft.)

Bidders will be restricted to bidding on a unit (MBF) rate of the Douglas-fir volume. All other species will be sold at appraised price per unit (MBF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.10 per MBF.

<u>LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS</u> - All timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from use as a substitute for exported private timber.

<u>CUTTING AREA</u> – Twelve (12) units totaling 231 acres: 208 acres of Commercial Thinning, 17 acres of Regeneration Harvest, and 6 acres of Overstory Removal.

<u>CUTTING TIME</u> - Contract duration will be 36 months for cutting and removal of timber.

ACCESS - Access to the sale area is available via existing BLM roads.

<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u> - The Purchaser will be required to maintain the .25 miles of temporary roads which he constructs plus 5.82 miles of existing BLM road. BLM will maintain 27.45 miles of the 32-8-31 segment B, 32-9-14.2 segment A, 32-8-9.2, and 33-7-2. The Purchaser will be required to pay a maintenance and rockwear fee for the use of BLM maintained and purchaser maintained roads of \$13.23 per MBF for a total of \$33,280.72 for the use of these roads.

<u>SLASH DISPOSAL</u> - Slash disposal will consist of 231 acres of handpiling, covering, and handpile burning, 133 acres of slashing and 41 acres of selective slashing.

<u>CONTRACT TERMINATION</u> - A Special Provision has been added to the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend the contract to facilitate protection of certain plant or animal species, and/or to modify or terminate the contract when necessary to comply with the Endangered Species Act, or comply with a court order, or protect occupied marbled murrelet sites in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines of the Medford District Record of Decision

<u>EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS</u> - A 50 foot tower with 1 inch and 1,200 foot cable capacity; lateral yarding capability of 75 feet, with one end suspension of logs during inhaul. Tractor for yarding is not to exceed nine (9) feet in width and must be capable of bull lining 75 feet. (ROD) and Resource Management Plan (RMP). This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser which have not been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.

<u>PERFORMANCE BOND</u> - A performance bond in the amount of 20% of the total purchase price will be required.

#### OTHER -

- 1. No extension of time beyond the normal 30 days will be granted for completing bonding and contract signing requirements.
- 2. .25 miles of temporary spur road construction, unit 33B.
- 3. Discontinuously rip, waterbar, grass seed, mulch, and barricade temporary road construction and tractor skid trails.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF HOW TO GET TO THE TIMBER SALE AREA - From I-5 take the Glendale, Oregon exit #80, and proceed west on Highway 313 to Glendale. From Glendale take Highway 27 (Reuben Road) for 5 miles to Cow Creek Road (33-7-2). Follow it for 10 miles to the 30-6-31 road. Take left and follow for 0.10 mile to West Fork of Cow Creek, 32-8-1.1, and then proceed up West Fork Cow Creek Road for approximately 4 miles to Bobby Creek Access Road (32-8-9.2). Proceed up Bobby Creek access road for approximately 6 miles to Nine Mile Saddle/Marial Junction. This will put you in the Mari Kelsey Sale Area. Individual units may be accessed from various BLM roads from this intersection. See Exhibit "A", Mari Kelsey Vicinity Map and transportation maps for more detailed information on roads and unit locations.

<u>ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT</u> – An environmental impact statement (BLM/OR/WA/PL-02/038+1792) was prepared for this sale. This document is available for inspection as background for this sale at the Grants Pass Interagency Office. \*\*\*SBA SET-ASIDE SALE

BUTTE FALLS AREA JACKSON MASTER UNIT Medford Sale # 05-10 September 21, 2006 (CB)

#5. <u>FLOUNCE AROUND</u>, Jackson County, O&C and P.D. BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$23,100.00

All timber designated for cutting in NE¼NE¼ Sec. 32, SW¼NE¼, NW¼, W½SW¼ Sec. 33, T. 32 S., R. 2 E.; Lots 3 and 4, SW¼ Sec. 1, NW¼ Sec. 11, NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, SW¼SE¼ Sec. 23, NW¼, S½NE¼ Sec. 27, NW¼, N½SW¼, SE¼SW¼, W½SE¼, SE¼SE¼ Sec. 35, T. 33 S., R. 1 E.; W½SE¼ Sec. 3, Lot 4, SW¼NW¼ Sec. 4, Lots 3 and 4 Sec. 5, E½SE¼ Sec. 8, SW¼SW¼ Sec. 9, NE¼NW¼ Sec. 17, NW¼NE¼, NE¼NW¼ Sec. 19, NE¼NW¼, Sec. 31, T. 33 S., R. 2 E., Willamette Meridian.

Approx. Number Merch. Trees	Est. Volume MBF 32' Log	Est. Volume CCF	Species	Est. Volume MBF 16' Log	Appr. Price Per MBF*	st. Volume Times Appraised Price
15,806	2,062	4,370	Douglas-fir	2,559	\$ 74.50	\$ 190,645.50
911	163	318	Ponderosa Pine	202	\$ **40.10	\$ 8,100.20
250	91	170	Sugar Pine	109	\$ 74.70	\$ 8,142.30
2,025	190	425	White Fir	249	\$ 31.00	\$ 7,719.00
1,886	96	230	Incense-cedar	122	\$ 126.70	\$ 15,457.40
20,878	2,602	5,513	Totals	3,241		\$ 230,064.40

\*Stumpage values have been determined by market value estimates and analytical appraisal methods were used to compute the appraised price. Additional information concerning the appraised price is available at the Medford District Office.

\*\*Minimum stumpage values were used to compute the appraised price (10% of pond value).

### <u>TIMBER AUCTION LOCATION</u> – The timber auction will be held at the BLM Grants Pass Interagency Office, located at 2164 NE Spalding Avenue, Grants Pass, Oregon, at 9 a.m. on Thursday, September 21, 2006.

<u>CRUISE INFORMATION</u> - All species have been cruised using the 3-P and STR sampling methods to select sample trees. Maps showing the location and description of these sample trees are available at the Medford District Office.

The sample trees have been measured using the volt system of measurement, and the volume expanded to a total sale volume.

With respect to merchantable trees of all conifer species: the average tree is 13.8 inches DBHOB; the average gross merchantable log contains 65 bd. ft.; the total gross volume is approximately 3,684 M bd. ft; and 88% recovery is expected. (Average DF is 14.0 inches DBHOB; average gross merchantable log DF contains 64 bd. ft.)

Bidders will be restricted to bidding on a unit (MBF) rate of the Douglas-fir volume. All other species will be sold at appraised price per unit (MBF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.10 per MBF.

\*\*\*This is an SBA Set-Aside timber sale. Bidding is limited to small business concerns as defined by the Small Business Act, §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. <u>EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS</u> - All timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from use as a substitute for exported private timber.

CUTTING AREA - Forty-six (46) units containing 503 acres must be partial cut.

<u>CUTTING TIME</u> - Contract duration will be thirty-six (36) months for cutting and removal of timber.

ACCESS - Access to the sale area is available via a public road through the contract area; an existing BLM road; Right-of-Way and Road Use Agreement M-660 with Meriwether Southern Oregon Land and Timber, LLC; Right-of-Way and Road Use Agreement M-2000F with Swanson Group; Right-of-Way and Road Use Agreement M-2000D with Lone Rock. Among other conditions, a Special Use Permit must be acquired by the Purchaser from the Oregon Department of Transportation and required bonding must be acquired by the Purchaser for use of the helicopter log landing off of Highway 62 in T. 33 S., R. 1 E., Section 35. Among other conditions, this agreement requires completion of an agreement between the Purchaser and Permittee; Easement with York. Among other conditions, this easement requires the Purchaser to maintain the road; apply a dust palliative to the road during summer hauling; and deck R/W logs.

<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u> - The Purchaser will be required to maintain all of the roads which he constructs plus 10.7 miles of existing BLM roads. BLM will maintain 12.9 miles of road(s). The Purchaser will be required to pay a maintenance and rockwear fee of \$2.28 per MBF or a total of \$7,399.06 for the use of these roads.

<u>ROAD CONSTRUCTION</u> - The contract will require the Purchaser to improve 52.8 stations of road. Additional information is available in the timber sale prospectus.

<u>SOIL DAMAGE PREVENTION</u> - Pursuant to Section 25 of Form 5450-3, Timber Sale Contract, the Purchaser shall not operate or cause to have operated on the contract area any tractor-type logging equipment when soil moisture content exceeds twenty-five (25) percent by weight as determined by a Speedy Moisture Meter.

<u>EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS</u> - A skyline yarder capable of one-end suspension of logs during in-haul and with a minimum lateral yarding capability of 75 feet while maintaining a fixed position of the carriage during lateral in-haul. Intermediate supports in 1 unit are required. A yarding tractor not greater than 9 feet in track width or not be greater than eleven (11) feet as measured from the outer edges of standard width straight dozer blade and equipped with a winch system capable of lining logs at least 75 feet. A helicopter equipped with a dropline with a minimum length of 150 feet and capable of lifting logs vertically to a height above adjacent leave trees without horizontal movement. A tractor equipped with winged-toothed rippers. A feller-buncher with a reach of at least 20 feet is required.

<u>SLASH DISPOSAL</u> - Slash disposal will consist of lopping and scattering of all slash in 7 units; hand piling, covering of piles, burning of piles, and mop-up on 2 units; excavator piling of slash and brush, covering of piles, burning of piles, and mop-up on 6 units.

<u>CONTRACT TERMINATION</u> - A Special Provision has been added to the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend the contract to facilitate protection of certain plant or animal species, and/or to modify or terminate the contract when necessary to comply with the Endangered Species Act, or comply with a court order, or protect occupied marbled murrelet sites in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines of the Medford District Record of Decision (ROD) and Resource Management Plan (RMP). This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser which have not been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.

<u>PERFORMANCE BOND</u> - A performance bond in the amount of 20% of the total purchase price will be required.

OTHER -

- 1. No extension of time beyond the normal 30 days will be granted for completing bonding and contract signing requirements.
- 2. Various seasonal restrictions are placed on this sale.
- 3. There is a 40 foot log length restriction in all cable and tractor yarding units except where feller-bunchers are used.
- 4. Directional falling is required.
- 5. Bucking of large logs blocking tractor skid road access is required.
- 6. Piling of slash must be completed within 4 weeks of completion of yarding in each unit where piling of slash is required.
- 7. Use of front end loaders is restricted.
- 8. Cleaning of equipment to eliminate noxious weed seeds is required prior to move-in of equipment onto federal lands.
- 9. Designated skid roads are required on tractor units.
- 10. Ripping of tractor skid roads is required in 2 units.
- 11. Road decommissioning is required.
- 12. Dust abatement is required.
- 13. A Special Use Permit must be acquired by the Purchaser from the Oregon Department of Transportation and required bonding must be acquired by the Purchaser for use of the helicopter log landing off of Highway 62 in T. 33 S., R. 1 E., Section 35.
- 14. Skyline unit 23-2 requires intermediate support trees.
- 15. Feller-bunchers may be used in 10 units.

NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF HOW TO GET TO THE TIMBER SALE AREA - From White City, travel North 22.5 miles on Highway 62 to Takelma Drive (Cole Rivers Fish Hatchery).

Turn left onto Takelma Drive and proceed 4 miles to access Sec. 23. To access Sec. 11, from Sec. 23, proceed on Takelma Drive 2 miles to the -14.1 road. Turn left on the -14.1 and proceed to Sec. 11. To access Sec. 1, from the -14.1 road, proceed on Takelma Drive 1.5 miles to unit 1-4.

To access Sec. 35, from Takelma Drive, proceed 2 miles on Highway 62 to road -36.1. Turn right on road -36.1 and proceed 1 mile to road -36.2. Turn right on 36.2 road and proceed to the sale area.

To access unit 31-1, from road -36.1, proceed on Highway 62 for 1 mile to the Laurelhurst Cutoff road. Turn right on the Laurelhurst Cutoff road and proceed 1 mile to the sale area.

To access Secs. 17 and 19, from Laurelhurst Cutoff road, proceed 3 miles on Highway 62 to Lewis road. Turn left on Lewis Road and proceed 2 miles to the sale area.

To access Secs. 8 and 9, from Lewis Road, proceed on Highway 62 1.5 miles to Cascade Gorge Road. Turn left on Cascade Gorge Road and proceed to the York Easement.

To access Secs. 3, 4, 5, 32, and 33, from Cascade Gorge Road, proceed on Highway 62 for 1 mile to Ulrich Road. Turn left on Ulrich Road and proceed 1 mile to Sec. 3. From Sec. 3 proceed 1.5 miles to road -34.0. Turn left on road -34.0 and proceed 2 miles to the contract area.

<u>ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT</u> - An environmental assessment (EA-OR115-03-01) was prepared for this sale, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. This document is available for inspection as background for this sale at the Medford District Office.

#### \*\*<u>SSTS – SET-ASIDE SALE</u> THIS IS A SCALE SALE

GLENDALE RESOURCE AREA JOSEPHINE MASTER UNIT Medford Sale #06-29 September 21, 2006 (TG:DC)

## #6. <u>AUGUST KNOB SALVAGE</u> (5900), Douglas and Curry Counties, O&C

BID DEPOSIT REQUIRED: \$10,200.00

All timber designated for cutting in Lots 3 and 4 Section 18, Lots 1 and 2 Section 19, T. 32 S., R. 9 W., NE¼SE¼, S½SE¼ Section 23, NE¼, NE¼NW¼, S½NW¼, N½SW¼, SW¼SW¼ Section 24, T. 32 S., R. 10 W., Willamette Meridian.

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2	2	3	Sugar pine	2	\$ 198.00	\$ 396.00
498	382	697	Totals	461		\$ 101,651.40

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<u>CRUISE INFORMATION</u> - The Douglas-fir has been cruised using the 3-P sampling method to select sample trees. Maps showing the location and description of these sample trees are available at the Medford District Office.

The sample trees have been measured, utilizing the VOLT system of measurement, and the volume expanded to a total sale volume.

The volume of all other species in this sale has been derived from individual tree measurements taken during a 100% cruise using form class tables for estimating board foot volume of trees in 16-foot logs. Approximately 0 trees which are considered to be nonmerchantable are designated for cutting. All of the sale volume is salvage material. With respect to merchantable trees of all conifer species: the average tree is 25.8 inches DBHOB; the average gross merchantable log contains 194 bd. ft.; the total gross volume is approximately 627 M bd. ft; and 74 % recovery is expected. (Average DF is 28.6 inches DBHOB; average gross merchantable log DF contains 194 bd. ft.)

Bidders will be restricted to bidding on a unit (MBF) rate of the Douglas-fir volume. All other species will be sold at appraised price per unit (MBF). The minimum bid increment will be \$0.10 per MBF.

<u>LOG EXPORT AND SUBSTITUTION RESTRICTIONS</u> - All timber offered for sale hereunder is restricted from export from the United States in the form of unprocessed timber and is prohibited from use as a substitute for exported private timber.

\*\*This is a special salvage timber sale set aside for preferential bidding by small business concerns having 25 or fewer employees, as defined by the Small Business Administration.

<u>CUTTING AREA</u> – Two (2) units containing 7 acres of salvage harvest. Forty-three (43) acres of roadside hazard salvage.

<u>CUTTING TIME</u> - Contract duration will be 24 months for cutting and removal of timber. If the purchaser of this timber sale contract has one or more existing approved BLM green tree timber sale contracts, 43 CFR § 5473.4(d) authorizes the BLM to grant a contract extension on the approved green tree sales. A request for extension of the green tree timber sale contracts may be submitted to the State Director. The duration of the extension shall not exceed the time necessary to meet the salvage objectives of this sale. The State Director may waive reappraisal for such extensions. 43 CFR § 5473.1 states that: "In order to be considered, written requests for extension shall be delivered to the appropriate BLM office prior to the expiration of the time for cutting and removal".

ACCESS - Access to the sale area is available via an existing BLM road.

<u>ROAD MAINTENANCE</u> - BLM will maintain 27.39 miles of road. The Purchaser will be required to pay a maintenance fee of \$15.41 per MBF or a total of \$4,528.35 for the use of these roads.

<u>SOIL DAMAGE PREVENTION</u> - Pursuant to Section 25 of Form 5450-3, Timber Sale Contract, the Purchaser shall not yard timber on the contract area, from October 15 of one calendar year and May 15 of the following calendar year, both days inclusive. If conditions are sufficiently dry during this period, activities may be allowed if approved in writing by the Authorized Officer.

<u>EQUIPMENT REQUIREMENTS</u> – A 50 foot tower with 1 inch skyline capable of reaching 1,200 feet with one end suspension of logs during inhaul. A carriage capable of maintaining a fixed position on the skyline and lateral yarding 75 feet on either side of the skyline is also required. Tractor size requirements are 9 feet in width and must be capable of bull lining 75 feet.

SLASH DISPOSAL - Slash disposal will consist of fifty (50) acres of Lop and Scatter.

<u>CONTRACT TERMINATION</u> - A Special Provision has been added to the contract which enables the Contracting Officer to suspend the contract to facilitate protection of certain plant or animal species, and/or to modify or terminate the contract when necessary to comply with the Endangered Species Act, or comply with a court order, or protect occupied Marbled Murrelet sites in accordance with the Standards and Guidelines of the Medford District Record of Decision (ROD) and Resource Management Plan (RMP). This contract provision limits the liability of the Government to the actual costs incurred by the Purchaser which have not been amortized by timber removed from the contract area.

<u>PERFORMANCE BOND</u> - A performance bond in the amount of 20% of the total purchase price will be required.

## OTHER -

- 1. No extension of time beyond the normal 30 days will be granted for completing bonding and contract signing requirements.
- 2. .30 miles of temporary spur to be re-opened and decommissioned after use.
- 3. Skidding is limited to existing roads and dozer line. No new skid trails will be built.
- 4. Decommissioning of temporary spur roads, dozer lines and landings built outside of the road prism will involve discontinuous sub-soiling, seeding, mulching, water-barring and barricading.

<u>NARRATIVE DESCRIPTION OF HOW TO GET TO THE TIMBER SALE AREA</u> – From I-5 take the Glendale, Oregon Exit #80, and proceed west on Highway 313 to Glendale. From Glendale take Highway 27 (Reuben Road) for 5 miles to Cow Creek Road (33-7-2). Follow it for 10 miles to the 30-6-31 road. Take left and follow for 0.10 mile to West Fork of Cow Creek, 32-8-1.1, and then proceed up West Fork Cow Creek Road for approximately 10.23 miles to Walker Prairie Road (31-9-35). Proceed up the Walker Prairie road for approximately 4.7 miles to Anaktuvuk Saddle. This will put you in the August Knob Sale Area. Individual units may be accessed from various BLM roads from this intersection. See Exhibit "A", August Knob Vicinity Map and transportation maps for more detailed information on roads and unit locations.

<u>ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT</u> - An environmental assessment (EA-OR118-06-09) was prepared for this sale, and a Finding of No Significant Impact has been documented. This document is available for inspection as background for this sale at the Grants Pass Interagency Office.