



# Morgan Cut Stewardship Pilot

Contract Logging Services

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# Authorities Tested

- Retention of Receipts
- Best Value Contracting
- Less than free and open competition
- Designation by Description Rx

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# Contract Logging Services Strategy

- Burns Creek Pilot – GW/Jeff
  - Service Contract completed Jan. 2002
  - Receipts retained

## Morgan Cut Pilot - NFsNC

- Service Contract obligated Sept 2002
- Receipts retained

## Sand Mountain Pilot – NFsNC

- Service Contract funded with retained receipts
- planned Spring 2003

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# Morgan Cut Service Contract

- Fell, Skid, Merchandize and Load
  - Shelterwood Harvest paid by the acre
  - Thinning unit paid by the acre
- Haul products paid by the loaded mile
- Construction of Bat Ponds

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# Morgan Cut Product Sales

- Pulpwood, peelers and medium/low grade logs sold using a 2400-4 Contract
- High Quality Logs hauled to USFS concentration yard to be sold sealed bid
- Veneer Quality Cherry and White Oak hauled to USFS concentration yard to be sold to veneer buyer
- Hemlock sawlogs sold to local small sawmiller
- Hickory and Black Locust retained for local sales

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# Lessons Learned Thus Far

- Service Contract for logging should be bid by the unit rate common for the locality.
  - Mbf Doyle and Tons, not Acres in WNC
- Begin USFS Accounting Procedures Early
  - Log sale contracts, receipts, work codes
- Keep contract and services simple
  - Loggers are loggers, related work should be common to the profession

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# Load and Log Security

- Government retains ownership off-site
- Standard procedures work well and are proven
  - Security of High Value Logs Stored for sale
  - Load tickets
    - Bar coding for ticket accountability

Alternative methods may work for low value products

- GPS load tracking
- Digital photography of loads

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# Application of Contract Logging Services

- Low value units with multiple products
- Small isolated stands
- Damaged or diseased stands
- Areas with marginal or limited markets for products
- Designation by description Rx

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