

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES STATE OF MICHIGAN

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS #5701

<u>SCHEDULED SALE DATE AND TIME:</u> 2:00 p.m. (local time) on August 24, 2016. <u>LOCATION:</u> SHINGLETON MGMT UNIT, PO BOX 67 M-28 WEST, SHINGLETON, MI 49884.

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PROSPECTUS NOTE: The bidder is advised to inspect the sale area and review the location, estimated volumes, operating costs and contract terms of proposed sales. Please be aware that some landowners may request 60 days or more notice for access across their land.

Notice is hereby given that bids will be received by the Unit Manager, SHINGLETON MANAGEMENT UNIT, for certain timber on the following described lands:

DARTH VADER PINE (41-008-15) / T46N, R15W, SEC. 05, SW,W1/2SE,W1/2NE,E1/2NW,SWNW. Schoolcraft County, Advertised Price \$81,091.00, 190.0 Acres, Jack Pine, Spruce/Fir/Tamarack.

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A timber sale contract for this lump sum, sealed bid timber sale will be awarded to the responsible bidder offering the highest sealed bid price. Bids must be at or above the following advertised price for each species:

PRODUCTS & SPECIES	ESTIMATED UNITS*	ADVERTISED PRICE	
Pulpwood			
Black Spruce	1,432.00 Cords	\$	20.45 / Cord
Jack Pine	1,268.00 Cords	\$	36.75 / Cord

In addition, the successful bidder agrees to purchase the following species at the indicated advertised price for a total value of \$5,207.60:

PRODUCTS & SPECIES	ESTIMATED UNITS*	ADVERTISED PRICE
Pulpwood		
Tamarack	9.00 Cords	\$ 22.00 / Cord
White Pine	202.00 Cords	\$ 24.80 / Cord

BOND AND PAYMENT SCHEDULE:

- 1. A bond in the amount of \$4,100.00 to insure faithful performance of the conditions of the contract will be deposited by the successful bidder within 21 days of the sale award.
- 2. Cutting in any sale or unit without the required advance payment would be considered a trespass.
- 3. Total payment must be paid in advance or according to the following schedule:
- (a) Ten percent (10%) of the sale value must be paid within 21 days of the sale award.
- (b) The 10% down payment will be credited towards the first unit cut.
- 4. If no cutting takes place, the 10% down payment will not be refunded.
- 5. Operations on the contract issued will terminate on 06/30/2019.

Sale Specific Conditions & Requirements

Sale Name: DARTH VADER PINE

Sale Number: 41-008-15 Seq#: 1

1 - Sale Area

1.2 - Boundaries

1.2.1 - Painted boundaries (1/14)

The sale boundary and Payment Unit boundaries are marked and identified by red and yellow paint. Exterior sale boundary lines against state are marked with red paint. Interior Payment Unit boundaries are marked with yellow paint. Yellow painted trees designating an interior Payment Unit boundary are only to be cut when all surrounding Payment Units have been paid.

2 - Timber Specifications

2.1 - Included Timber

2.1.2 - Clearcut unit(s) w/o unmerchantable trees (8/11)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1-4, cut all trees which meet minimum piece specifications in 2.2 Utilization except cedar, red pine, hemlock and oak.

- 2.2 Utilization
 - 2.2.3 Stump heights (4/07)

Stump heights within the Sale Area shall not exceed 12 inches for trees greater than 10 inches DBH and 4 inches for trees smaller than 10 inches DBH. This is in order to facilitate regeneration operations.

2.2.10 - No chipping tops and limbs (4/12)

Within Payment Unit(s) 1-4, chipping of the bole, 2-inches in diameter or greater, is allowed. Chipping of limbs or portions of the tree less than 2-inches in diameter is not permitted. Limbs and the remaining top must be left on site and scattered.

3 - Payments

3.3 - Pre-measured Sales

3.3.4 - Dividing payment units (7/14)

Payment Unit(s) 1-4 may be divided at the request of the Purchaser and upon approval of the Unit Manager. Dividing Payment Units is a contract modification which requires a Timber Sale Contract Supplement. There will be only one division per Payment Unit.

3.4 - Damaged Timber

3.4.2 - Special Protection Trees (4/14)

The Purchaser shall not cut live or dead special protection trees within cutting units or clearings. Special protection trees are oak and hemlock. If the Purchaser's operations have cut or damaged special protection trees through carelessness, the Purchaser shall pay \$100 as fixed, agreed and liquidated damages for each special protection tree cut or damaged. Such payment does not constitute ownership of the undesignated timber.

4 - Transportation

4.1 - Construction

4.1.3 - Slash and earthen piles (8/04)

Piles or windrows of earth along roads and landings that have been widened or constructed shall be leveled. Slash from road maintenance or construction, including stumps, shall be dispersed throughout the sale.

4.1.4 - Timber removed for construction (12/09)

Trees cut or damaged in the process of pre-approved road, landing or skid trail construction will be decked in an area separate from other Designated Timber and not removed until measured by the sale administrator. Payment will be made at the specified Purchase Unit Price.

4.1.5 - Culverts (5/14)

Roads may require the installation of culverts for cross drainage or at natural drainage-ways. If culverts are needed in these locations, their placement will be specified by the sale administrator and they shall be installed prior to hauling. The culverts shall be new, corrugated metal. Culverts will be a minimum of 18 inches in diameter and 24 feet in length. If culverts are removed, fill shall be removed from wetland soils as specified. Soils shall be maintained and left in a non-erodible condition, with water bars, seed, fertilizer, mulch, and slash installed as directed by the sale administrator and as specified in the BMP manual. Stream crossing permits, if needed, will be obtained by the DNR.

4.1.6 - Road construction (1/09)

Construction of new roads or improvements of existing roads shall be done in such a way as to minimize the environmental and visual impacts. Merchantable trees shall be cut and utilized unless otherwise directed. Non-merchantable trees shall be severed and laid flat on the ground. Slash shall be scattered, and not left in windrows and kept a minimum of 10 feet back from the road edge. Stumps shall be set upright, not left on edge, and be moved at least 10 feet away from the road edge. Disturbed soil shall be feathered into the woods and not left in berms or windrows.

4.1.7 - Road closure (10/11)

All new roads built into the sale must be blocked to vehicle traffic upon completion of the sale. Overgrown roads that are reopened shall be considered new roads. In general, this will require constructing a four (4') foot high berm of stumps and logs covered with earth. Contact the sale administrator for specific details of design and placement.

4.1.8 - Road work (1) (8/07)

The following road work is required: The Purchaser must purchase, haul and spread 300 cubic yards of pit run gravel in holes between M-28 and the sale area on the Walsh Grade. In addition, 200 cubic yards of 23a road gravel must be purchased, hauled and spread as a cap to the pit run gravel. All costs are at the Purchaser's expense and no deductions will be given. All work must be completed before trucking can begin.

4.2 - Maintenance

4.2.2 - Fill material (4/07)

To maintain roads, fill material may be needed in areas where "holes" exist or may be expected to develop. This fill material should be placed before trucking begins.

4.2.4 - Grading (12/14)

For completion of the sale, state forest roads must be graded. In general, this will require a road grader or bull dozer to shape up the roads after forest products have been hauled off site. This includes cleaning of drainage areas, grading, crowning and filling with gravel, if necessary. The grading equipment to be used must be approved by the Unit Manager or his/her representative.

4.4 - Access

4.4.1 - Private property access (3/11)

Permission for access across private land is the responsibility of the Purchaser. If crossing Hancock Timber Resource Group property, a permit from them is required. When the sale is purchased, they should be contacted regarding crossing their property. Allow 30-60 days for permit processing. A copy of the permit should be provided to the Unit Manager by the Pre-Sale Conference. Permission to cross private land must include access for DNR representatives to inspect the sale at any time.

5 - Operations

5.1 - Notification

5.1.1 - Pre-sale conference (10/11)

A pre-sale conference between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required prior to beginning any operations to determine landing and road locations. The Unit Manager or his/her representative must be contacted at least 5 days in advance to schedule the conference.

5.1.4 - Post-sale conference (6/11)

A post-sale conference on site between the Purchaser and sale administrator is required prior to the completion of active logging operations to determine clean-up and repair of landings, road edges, and the fulfillment of other contract specifications.

5.2 - Conduct of Operations

5.2.1 - Slash

5.2.1.2 - Slash Removal

5.2.1.2.1 - Slash removal, right-of-way (12/04) All slash must be removed at least 10 feet from the cleared right-of-way of forest roads.

5.2.1.11 - Slash for reforestation (5/07)

To facilitate reforestation, the sale area shall be left with slash evenly distributed. Bunched tops within the cutting area shall be broken up and scattered. Stumps shall be cut low to the ground. Processing sites shall not be left with a compacted layer of slash; tops from these sites shall be hauled back into the cut area and scattered.

5.2.2 - Hazard Trees/Snags

5.2.2.1 - Den trees (2/04)

Obvious hollow and/or den trees shall be protected and left standing unless they are a safety hazard.

5.2.3 - Operating Restrictions

5.2.3.6 - Bark beetle restriction (12/08)

In the event drought creates a high risk of pine bark beetle infestation, pine is not to be cut during the period March 1 through July 1, unless all portions of trees greater than two inches in diameter are removed from the sale area, reduced to chips, or treated to the satisfaction of the Unit Manager or his/her representative, within fifteen days of being severed from the stump. Pine log decks, pulpwood piles and treetops that are piled for chipping in the fall or winter within a 1/4 mile of susceptible sites must be removed before March 15. Residual slash must not be placed in piles or rows and must be spread over the site for quick drying. The Department of Natural Resources will exercise this specification if the risk of damage warrants.

5.2.4 - Dead and Down Creation

5.2.4.3 - Dead and down creation, dead trees (6/07)

Except as provided for in General Condition and Requirement 5.2.2, no dead trees, standing or down, are to be cut, skidded, or processed.

5.2.38 - No decking against live trees (2/04)

Cut products may not be decked against unmarked or designated leave trees.

5.4 - Soil Protection

5.4.1 - Rutting restriction, general (1/09)

Operations are to cease immediately if equipment and weather conditions result in rutting of roads and skid trails which is 12 inches or greater in depth and 50 feet in length. The Unit Manager or his/her representative may restrict hauling and/or skidding if ruts exceed the specified depth. With the Unit Manager or his/her representative's approval, the Purchaser may return to the area when the risk of rutting has decreased.

5.8 - Protection of Endangered Species

5.8.3 - Red shoulder hawk or goshawk (3/13)

In the event that an active red shoulder hawk or goshawk nest is found, the contract may be amended to protect the nest site until the nest is determined to be inactive. The value of the trees in this excluded area will be refunded or credited to the Purchaser. The nest will be buffered with a five-chain radius (eight acre) protection area, centered on the nest tree, in which there will be no cutting or new roads constructed. Avoid human disturbance, including loading and skidding, in the protection area. An additional zone of five chains (ten chains centered on the active nest tree) will be established in which there is no management activity from March 1 to August 15. Limit biomass harvesting and chipping operations within this ten-chain zone, retain the maximum one-third of residues per the Woody Biomass Harvesting Guidelines (Michigan DNR 2010). Nests determined to be inactive will be protected with a one-chain no-harvest buffer.

7 - Other Conditions

7.3 - Contract Modifications

7.3.1 - Emerald Ash Borer

7.3.1.1 - Emerald ash borer, no ash or firewood on sale (2/05)

There is no ash or "firewood" in this sale, but it is located within an emerald ash borer quarantined area. The Director of the Michigan Department of Agriculture (MDA) by the authority of Act No. 72 of the Public Acts of 1945, as amended, and Quarantine Regulation No. 620, has promulgated this quarantine to prevent the further spread of this pest and sets forth: definitions, regulated articles, regulated areas, conditions of movement, violations and penalties, and special exemptions. The Purchaser must comply with this quarantine. Contact the MDA for further information.



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