



422 Third St. West #103  
Ashland, WI 54806  
(715) 682-0007

## **Timber Sale Announcement Landowner Red Oak Sale**

A timber sale is being offered on private land in TXN RYW Sec.Z NE 1/4 of NE ¼ in the Town of Beautiful, Bayfield County, Wisconsin. Volumes include high quality big tooth aspen, some oak sawlogs, and a large volume of oak pulpwood including recently killed oaks. The sale has excellent access from the south via 123 Lake Road and from the east via 1234 Lake Road (no driveway access is allowed). Please see attached Sale Area Map for more details.

### **VOLUME ESTIMATES**

The following volumes are **estimates only**. You are encouraged to make your own inspection and determination. This harvest is being sold on a Ticket Scale basis.

#### **Species**

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| Red Oak                  | 296 cds; 4 Mbf (Note: includes 91 cds. dead oak) |
| Aspen (mostly big tooth) | 121 cds  |
| Red Maple/Birch          | 49 cds   |
| <b>Total</b>             | <b>466 cds; 4 Mbf</b>                            |

This sale has potential for summer harvest with dry conditions, though harvest is restricted to September through May to reduce further spread of two-lined chestnut borer. The LFC must be contacted at least 1 week prior to moving into the sale.

### **Cutting Specifications**

The sale area covers approximately 32 acres of forest and is primarily red oak. The Sale Area Map shows two contiguous harvest units. The Red Oak Crop Tree Thinning Unit is a mix of red oak and red maple with isolated pockets of large-diameter aspen. The southern part of the unit has an excellent white pine understory. The Aspen Shelterwood Unit is composed of large-diameter big tooth aspen with some red oak. This is a timber stand improvement harvest. Damage to residual crop trees and conifer saplings will not be tolerated.

**This is a marked leave-tree harvest – leave all trees marked in blue. LEAVE all conifers. Leave all trees marked with BLUE paint. Harvest everything else down to a two-inch diameter. Harvest all trees with RED ribbon.**

**The west and north property line is marked with orange ribbon and metal survey stakes. The east sale area boundaries are marked with orange ribbon. The south sale area boundary is 123 Lake Road. A 30' no-cut set-back is marked with orange ribbon on both sides of the driveway, along the lake, and along part of the north edge of the open field (see Sale Area Map). The Aspen Shelterwood type boundary is not marked. The access road**

**running north from 123 Lake Road is marked with red ribbon. A small exclusion along the NE edge of the Open Field is marked with pink ribbon. Several individual take trees have been flagged in red ribbon as well as a group of oak near the garage.**

The chosen contractor will be required to work closely with the Living Forest Cooperative (LFC) staff in implementing this crop tree release harvest. **The landowner may reserve the right to market all sawlogs from the sale.**

**Utilization Specs:** Cordwood must be utilized to a 4 inch top diameter. Stump heights are to be as low as possible with a maximum of 10 inches. Non-merchantable timber and snags or den trees are to be left standing for wildlife and soil nutrients.

### **Access and Road Requirements**

Access to the property is from the south via 123 Lake Road and from the east via 1234 Lake Road using harvest roads (see Sale Area Map). Construction of the access road running north from XYZ Road will be REQUIRED and built to temporary road standards to allow for vehicles necessary for home construction. Access roads are to be made as small as possible with minimal disturbance to topsoil as the sandy soils should require little work for travel. The driveway and is NOT available for use. The field may be used for hauling, but not as a landing. All merchantable timber felled during road building shall be utilized.

All root balls or other materials created must be disposed of by compacting and burning in agreed upon locations or by scattering away from the road and landing in an agreed upon manner. No leaning trees will be left, nor will stumps or debris be pushed against standing timber. Snow removal shall be done in a manner to prevent removal of surface material from harvest roads and sale area. Three possible landing sites are shown on the Sale Area Map. No other landings will be permitted unless agreed upon by the LFC. Landings and roads built for harvest will be required to be decommissioned at completion of sale (except for access road north of XYZ Road) to the approval of the LFC. No machinery, felled trees, or slash are allowed across the orange ribbon lines.

### **Slash Requirements**

Logging slash may not be left hanging in or against residual timber or across any property lines, access roads, or powerline right-of-ways. The tops and slash from harvested trees will be spread as evenly as possible over the harvest area and must be lopped or crushed to within 24 inches of the ground.

### **Other considerations**

The timber sale has potential for summer operations; however, damage to the soil (rutting) will not be tolerated and may be cause for suspension of activity until drier or frozen ground conditions. Operations will not be allowed from June to August to limit spread of two-lined chestnut borer.

Damage to residual trees will not be tolerated and may be cause for suspension and/or cancellation of the contract and retention of the performance bond. Less than 5% damage to residual timber is the performance target.

To minimize introduction of nuisance plant species, equipment will be required to be pressure washed prior to locating on the site.

No trash will be allowed on the site. Any debris in the field must be cleaned up.

LFC staff will determine compliance with the contract and performance standards herein.

Use extreme caution when operating near the powerlines and buildings.

Removal of large aspen and red oak near the property owner's garage at the end of the driveway will be required.

Scattered, abandoned barbed wire about 2 feet off the ground is marked with red ribbon.

Operator will be required to remove all brush and saplings along the open area immediately south of the lake.

### **Completion of Timber Sale**

Contract will end in May of 2005 unless extended by prior agreement.

### **Submission of Bids and Award of Sale**

**Advance stumpage payment** will be required from the successful bidder in the amount of \$1,000 in the form of a personal or cashier's check. This advance stumpage payment is non-refundable and must be submitted with the timber sale contract. (Note: no performance bond is required to submit a bid). This advance stumpage payment will be deducted from the final stumpage payment.

Prior to starting operations, the successful bidder is required to post a \$1,000 **performance bond** to be refunded at satisfactory completion of job as determined by LFC.

### **CONTACT**

Living Forest Cooperative at 715-682-0007 (phone) or 715-682-8415 (fax) for more information or with any questions concerning this timber sale. Submit the attached Timber Sale Bid Form to: Living Forest Cooperative, 422 Third St. West #103, Ashland, WI 54806.



**Timber Sale Bid Form  
Landowner Red Oak Sale 2004-5**

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**Stumpage Bid**

Red Oak \_\_\_\_\_ Per Cord \_\_\_\_\_ Per Mbf

Aspen \_\_\_\_\_ Per Cord \_\_\_\_\_ Per Bolt

Red Maple/White Birch \_\_\_\_\_ Per Cord

**Bidder Information**

Name:

Address:

Phone Number:

References: (If you have not previously provided them to the LFC or worked with the LFC)

Submit bids by mail, in person, or by fax no later than **July 23 at 3pm** to Living Forest Cooperative, 422 Third St. West #103, Ashland, WI 54806, fax 715-682-8415.

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