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FAIRBANKS AREA FORESTRY

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALES

The State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources, Division of Forestry, gives notice under A.S. 38.05.945 that **certain timber will be sold at 10:00 a.m. prevailing time on October 27, 2015** at the Fairbanks Area Office, 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, Alaska. The Director of the Division of Forestry has made a written finding under A.S. 38.05.035(e) that the sales will be in the best interest of the State. The Division of Forestry is offering 3 flood killed salvage sales along the Tanana River in the Salcha Area. The 3 sales are adjacent to each other and will be winter access only and utilize 3 ice crossings. There may be other timber sales included in the auction which are not included in this notice.

NC-1596-F, Salcha Flood Salvage #1: a 32 acre winter spruce salvage sale, comprised of one unit, which is located approximately 4 miles west of Harding Lake in the Salcha Area. The sale area is located within Sections 29, Township 5 South, Range 4 East, of the Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska. The minimum acceptable bid will be **\$9,600.00**. The contract will expire on May 31, 2018. The bid deposit will be 10% of the bid price. A performance bond for the sale is **\$1,000.00**, or 10% of the final bid price whichever is greater, to be returned upon successful completion of the sale and project to the satisfaction of the Forester-in-Charge.

NC-1597-F, Salcha Flood Salvage #2: a 5 acre winter spruce salvage sale of one payment unit located approximately 4 miles west of Harding Lake in the Salcha Area. The sale is designated on the ground within: Section 36, Township 5 South, Range 4 East, Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska. The minimum acceptable bid will be **\$1,500.00**. The contract will expire on May 31, 2018. The bid deposit will be 10% of the bid price. The performance bond for the sale is **\$200.00**, or 10% of the final bid price whichever is greater, to be returned upon successful completion of the sale to the satisfaction of the Forester-in-Charge.

NC-1598-F, Salcha Flood Salvage #3: a 16 acre winter spruce salvage sale, comprised of one unit, which is located approximately 4 miles west of Harding Lake in the Salcha Area. The sale is designated on the ground within: Sections 20 & 29, Township 5 South, Range 4 East, Fairbanks Meridian, Alaska. The minimum acceptable bid will be **\$4,800.00**. The contract will expire on May 31, 2018. The bid deposit will be 10% of the bid price. The performance bond for the sale is **\$500.00**, or 10% of the final bid price whichever is greater, to be returned upon successful completion of the sale to the satisfaction of the Forester-in-Charge.

Pursuant to AS 38.05.945(a)(e) this notice is intended to inform the public that the Division of Forestry has made a final determination under AS 38.05.035(e) that these timber sales are in the best interest of the State and has decided to initiate these forest management actions. The public is invited to review the decision

documents. Copies of the decision documents, including the prospectus, sample contract, cruise information, appraisals, bid forms and the Director's written decision under A.S. 38.05.035(e) and other pertinent information are available at the Fairbanks Area Office, 3700 Airport Way, Fairbanks, Alaska 99709 or by mail at the same address. You may call the Fairbanks Office for information at 907-451-2600. Decision documents may also be viewed on the Division of Forestry's website:

<http://forestry.alaska.gov/timber/fairbanks.htm#flup>. A person affected by this decision may appeal it, in accordance with 11 AAC 02. Any appeal must be received by **October 19, 2015** and may be mailed or delivered to Mark Myers, Commissioner, Department of Natural Resources, 550 W. 7th Avenue, Suite 1400, Anchorage, Alaska 99501; faxed to 907-269-8918, or sent by electronic mail to dnr.appeals@alaska.gov. If no appeal is filed by that date, this decision goes into effect as a final order and decision on **October 19, 2015**. An eligible person must first appeal this decision in accordance with 11 AAC 02 before appealing this decision to Superior Court. A copy of 11 AAC 02 may be obtained from any regional information office of the Department of Natural Resources.

The State neither expressly nor implicitly warrants its quantity estimate, or the quality or marketability of the timber sold. Prospective bidders should visit the site and evaluate the timber before bidding. The State neither expressly nor implicitly warrants its improvement estimates. Estimates are used only to establish the minimum bid. Each operator is required to estimate his own costs and bid accordingly.

Timber sales will be sold by oral bid auction. To qualify for bidding, all bidders must at the time of auction submit a **current Alaska Business License** and the minimum bid deposit specified above, in the form of cash, certified check, cashiers check, money order, or any combination thereof, payable to the State of Alaska, Department of Natural Resources. **Personal checks will not be accepted for the opening bid deposit.** If bidding as an agent for an individual, partnership, or corporation, prior to the start of bidding the agent must present a notarized power-of-attorney authorizing such agency to the auctioneer. No agent may represent more than one principal, or bid in competition with the agent's principal. If no qualified bid is received within the time specified during the auction, the Division of Forestry may offer the sale for purchase over-the-counter without re-advertisement for not less than the advertised minimum bid.

The State reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Unless all bids are rejected, the State will award the sale to the responsible qualified bidder offering the highest total bid value for all the timber. The successful bidder's bid deposit will forfeit to the State as liquidated damages, and the successful bidder will lose all claim to the contract, if the bidder does not execute the contract and furnish a satisfactory performance bond within 30 days of receipt of the contract for execution. **The performance bond, plus any project bonds will be in the form of cash or certificate of deposit.** Prior to execution of the contract **the successful bidder must schedule a pre-operation meeting to review the contract, and submit a logging plan.**

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