Notice of Timber For Sale

The Iowa Department of Natural Resources (DNR) is soliciting competitive bids from bonded Timber Buyers to purchase, cut, and remove standing timber at Stephens State Forest in Monroe County, Iowa.

Description of Work and Scope of Services: The State of Iowa is offering approximately 41,780 board feet (Scribner) of timber in 550 trees as shown below. The trees are all marked with blue paint. There is an additional 337 cull trees marked with a blue "X". These trees may be harvested, but are not included in the board foot volume of the sale. The trees are located on areas as shown on the enclosed map(s). Buyers should satisfy themselves by examination as to the quality and quantity of timber offered. The timber is accessible through state land.

Species	Number of Trees by Diameter				BF Volume
	12" - 14"	16" - 18"	20" - 24"	26"+	
White Oak	180	71	19	2	18,540
Red Oak	17	10	19	2	6,400
Black Oak	18	6	5	3	3,900
Bur Oak	24	6	1	0	1,500
Hickory	115	20	4	0	8,500
Ash	10	1	3	3	2,000
Walnut	3	1	0	0	280
Other*	5	2	0	0	660
Total	**372**	**117**	**51**	**10**	**41,780**

***Other species include: black cherry, hackberry, and basswood

Timber Buyer shall avoid any unnecessary damage to trees that are not marked for cutting.

Cutting is permitted only during the period of **September 16 to February 1** unless otherwise authorized by DNR's Project Manager. It is the responsibility of Timber Buyer to obtain permission from DNR's Project Manager prior to working in the area.

Iowa Forestry Best Management Practices must be followed. An Iowa Forestry Best Management Practices Guide is available from the DNR's website at http://www.iowadnr.gov. Streams, roads and trails shall remain free of logging debris.

Motor vehicles and logging equipment shall be operated only in designated areas. All logs shall be skid on designated trails, and decked and loaded in designated areas. All skid trails and decking areas shall be returned to satisfactory condition by Timber Buyer once the operation is complete.

Proposed Project Schedule:
Trees must be completely removed from the site no later than **February 1, 2013**.

Submission of Proposals: Proposals shall include a bid proposal including the total amount bid for the offered timber, signature, date, printed name and organization name of the Timber Buyer on the enclosed bid proposal form.

Bonded Timber Buyers shall submit proposals to DNR at the following address:

Jessica Flatt, Area Forester
Iowa Department of Natural Resources
1111 North 8th Street
Chariton, Iowa 50049
Fax: 641-774-8089
Email: jessica.flatt@dnr.iowa.gov

For the proposal to be considered timely, it must be received by DNR no later than 3:00 pm (local time) on Wednesday, August 24, 2011. Any proposal received after this deadline will be rejected and returned to the Timber Buyer. The costs of preparation and delivery of the bid proposal are solely the responsibility of the Timber Buyer.

From the date of issuance of this Notice of Timber for Sale until announcement of the successful Timber Buyer, Timber Buyers may not contact any employee of the State of Iowa about this Bid Notice other than the identified contact person. Timber Buyers may submit written questions relating to the interpretation of this Notice and the procurement process to Jessica Flatt at the above address by no later than August 17, 2011. Written responses to any questions received will be provided to all potential Timber Buyers. Any attempt to discuss this Notice orally or in writing with any members of the DNR evaluation committee, or any employee of the State of Iowa other than the above-named DNR official, will lead to disqualification of that Timber Buyer.

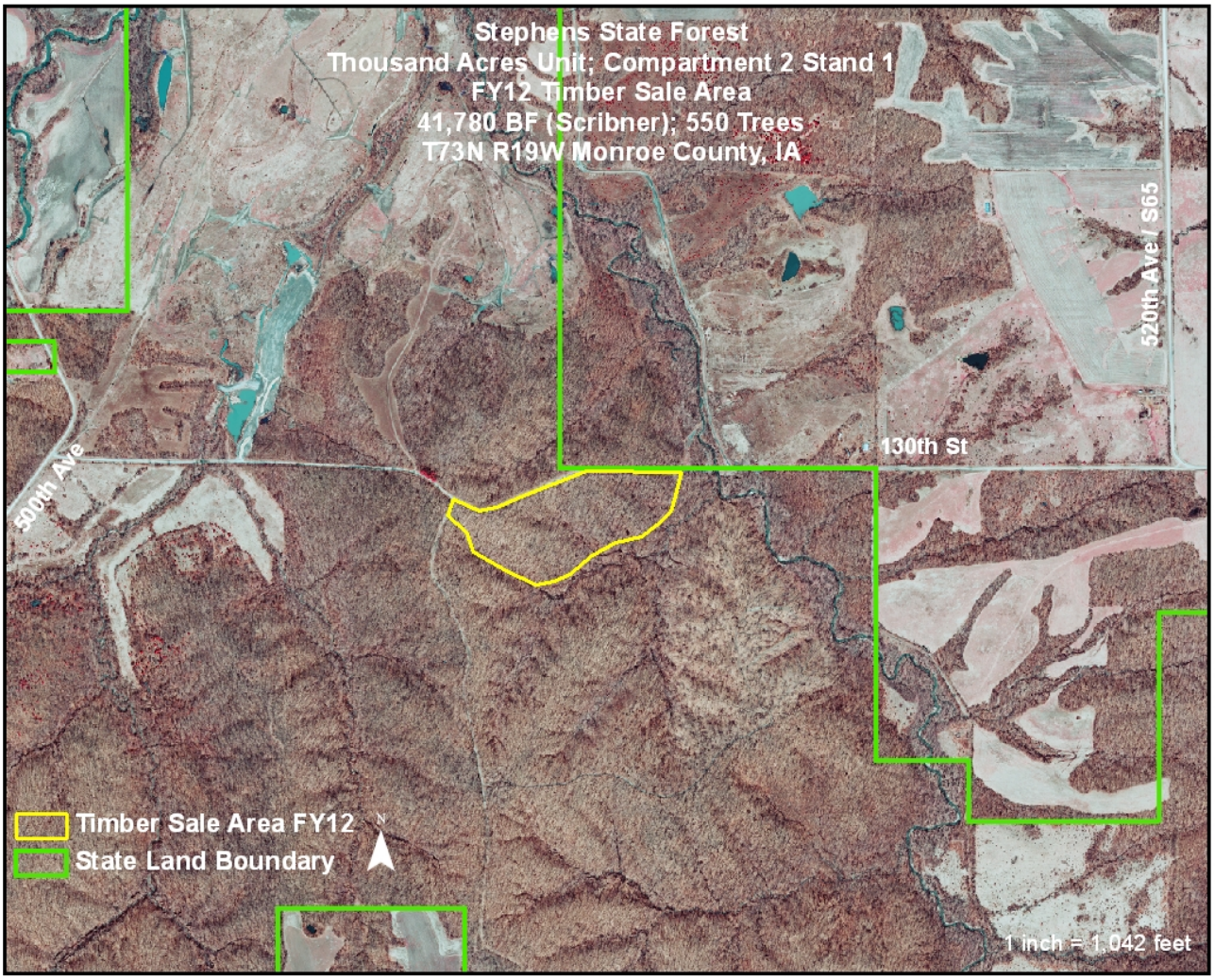
Payment:
The successful Timber Buyer shall make full payment and sign a Contract within 14 days of receipt of Contract from DNR. No cutting of timber will be permitted until the Contract has been signed and full payment made to DNR.

Acceptance of Contract Terms and Conditions:
By submitting a proposal, each Timber Buyer acknowledges its acceptance of the terms and conditions of the contract located at http://www.iowadnr.gov. If a Timber Buyer takes exception to a provision, it must state the reason for the exception and set forth in its proposal the specific contract language it proposes to include in place of the provision. Exceptions that materially change these terms or the requirements of this Notice of Timber for Sale may be deemed non-responsive by the DNR, as determined in its sole discretion, resulting in possible disqualification of Timber Buyer's proposal. With regard to the contract,

DNR and the successful Timber Buyer may agree to modifications to the terms of the contract as necessary to negotiate the terms of a contract. A Timber Buyer's failure to state an exception to any provision and propose alternative language may be deemed by the DNR to constitute Timber Buyer's acceptance thereof. DNR reserves the right to refuse to enter into a contract with the successful Timber Buyer for any reason, even after delivery of notice of selection or intent to award a contract.

Miscellaneous Information: The DNR reserves the right to reject any or all proposals, in whole or in part, to advertise for new proposals, and to cancel this Notice at any time prior to the execution of the written contract.

All information submitted by a Timber Buyer may be treated as a public record by the DNR unless the Timber Buyer properly requests that the information be treated as confidential information in accordance with the public records laws of the State of Iowa at the time its proposal is submitted.



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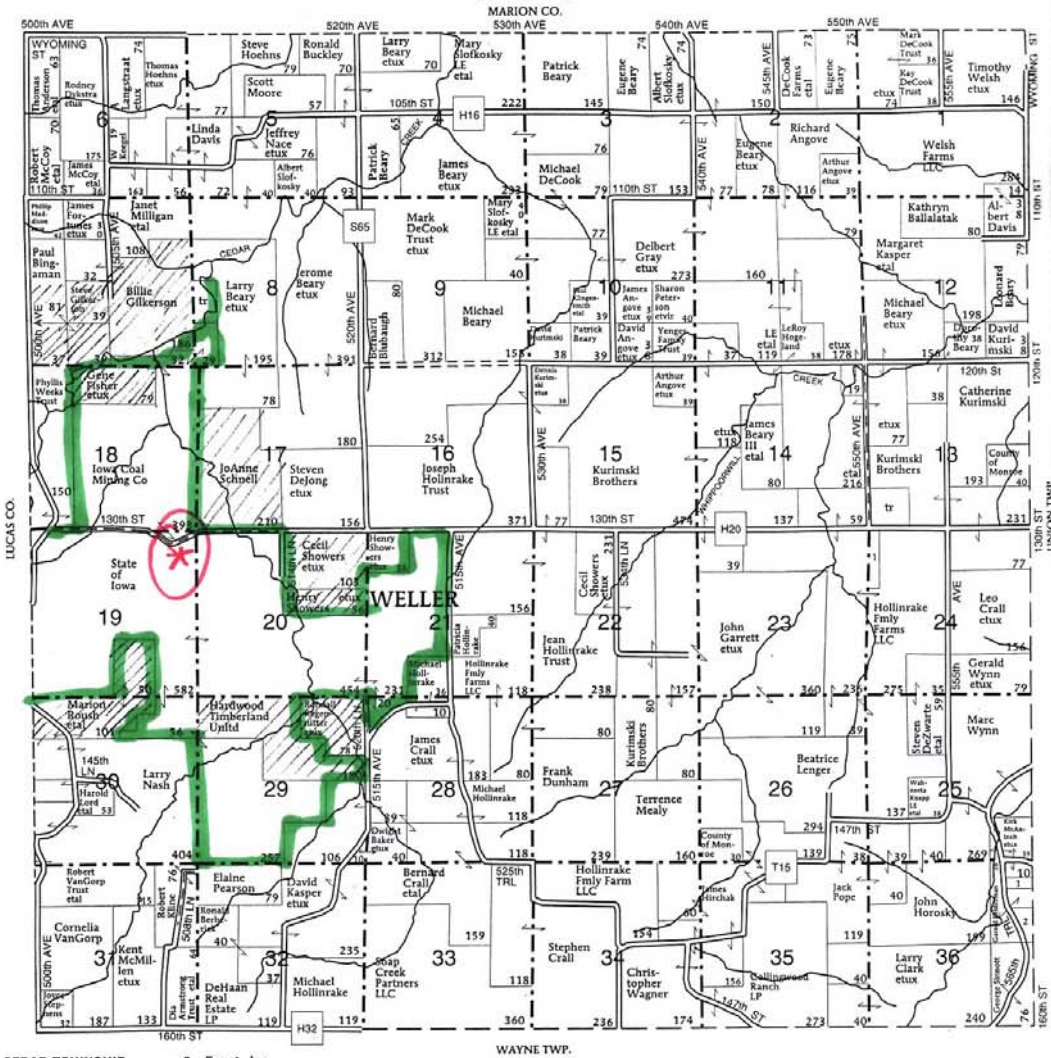

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SECTION 24

1. County of Monroe

SECTION 36

1. Noe, Judy
2. Faust, Jon

BID PROPOSAL

Timber Buyer's Proposal shall include an all-inclusive, total price in U.S. Dollars (including all travel, expenses, etc.) for the timber offered.

Amount Bid for 550 trees with an estimated 41,780 board feet (Scribner) of timber on the Thousand Acres Unit of Stephens State Forest.

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Signature: _____

Date: _____

Printed Name and Title: _____

Name of Vendor Organization: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____