



SUSTAINABLE FORESTRY INITIATIVE  
SFI-01837



CHARLOTTE STATE FOREST  
CT 2023 1<sup>ST</sup> THIN #1

**NOTICE OF STATE FOREST TIMBER SALE**  
**(Pine Plantation Thinning)**

Bids will be received for the purchase of sawtimber and pulpwood designated for removal in a pine plantation first thinning on the Charlotte State Forest located in Charlotte County. Four (4) stands of **SFI and ATFS certified wood** are to be thinned to make a total thinning acreage of 190.2 acres. A listing of blocks to be thinned with respective age and acreage is attached (Attachment A). Maps showing tract locations and access are also attached (Attachments B and C). Bids will be received by the Virginia Department of Forestry, Attention: Administrative Staff Assistant, 751 Oak Hill Road, Cumberland, VA 23040, until 10:00 a.m., **Wednesday, February 22, 2023**. Bids may also be emailed to [timbersales@dof.virginia.gov](mailto:timbersales@dof.virginia.gov) at any point prior to the due date. At the date and time stated, all bids received will be evaluated and awarded to the Purchaser with the overall highest total bid for the various products offered.

The healthiest, tallest, largest, and best formed trees will be retained as crop trees to accumulate future volume growth. These residual crop trees will be spaced appropriately to retain a density of 100 square feet of basal area. Selected crop trees will be protected from damage during thinning activities. Otherwise, all other timber shall be felled and utilized to the highest merchantable standards.

The timber sale boundaries are defined on the attached maps and will be marked with orange flagging. Ingress and egress shall be only through access roads shown on the maps or mutually agreed upon. All logging activity will be confined within the sale area and any logging debris accumulated outside the area or within reserve strips, if applicable, must be pulled within the sale area. Logging slash will be removed from the major forest access roads. Stump height shall approach ground level and must not exceed eight (8) inches above mineral soil. The approximate volume to be removed is listed below.

***The following volumes are only estimates and not guaranteed. Each bidder is encouraged to use their own cruise data to compute bids.***

Pine Pulpwood	14,050 tons	Pine Sawtimber	4,825 tons
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**All bids will be submitted on a stumpage price per ton of pine pulpwood and a stumpage price per ton of pine sawtimber.** The stumpage prices will be multiplied by the estimated pine pulpwood and pine sawtimber weights and then added together to create a total combined bid value. The sale will be awarded to the highest total combined bid value. The written bid must be quoted to two decimal places (\$0.00/ton). The stumpage price of hardwood pulpwood and hardwood sawtimber shall not be considered in the bidding. The stumpage price of hardwood pulpwood is fixed at \$4.00/ton. The stumpage price of hardwood sawtimber is fixed at 50% to the logger, 50% to the State Forest. A drawing will be held to break tie bids. The Department reserves the right to reject any and all bids.

Example:

Hypothetical Bid	Estimated Volume	Combined Bid Computation
Pine Pulpwood: <b>\$10.00/ton</b>	14,050 tons	\$140,500.00
Pine Sawtimber: <b>\$20.00/ton</b>	4,825 tons	\$ 96,500.00
	<b>Total Combined Bid</b>	<b>= \$237,000.00</b>

**Deposits/performance bonds are no longer required with a timber sale bid. Only the winning bidder will be required to submit a deposit/performance bond.** A two thousand five hundred dollar (\$2,500) performance bond will be required when the signed contracts are returned along with the down payment for the timber sale. The performance bond must be in the form of a check made payable to the **Treasurer of Virginia, Department of Forestry**. The performance bond will be retained until satisfactory conclusion of the contract, at which time it will be released.

The Purchaser will be required to make a **down payment of \$10,000** within ten (10) business days of the bid date. The down payment will be held by the Department through the majority of the sale until the expected value of the remaining timber to be harvested is equal to the amount of the down payment. Payments for purchased timber shall be on the basis of actual volume removed as evidenced by individual load tickets, mill tickets, or similar documentation. Volume documentation and stumpage checks made payable to "**Treasurer of Virginia, Department of Forestry**" will be submitted to the **State Forest Headquarters, 751 Oak Hill Road, Cumberland, VA 23040**, on a weekly basis throughout the entirety of the harvest. The down payment will be applied as a stumpage payment near the end of harvesting operations when the expected remaining stumpage value is equal to the amount of the down payment. In the event the down payment exceeds the remaining stumpage balance, a refund will be issued to the Purchaser. In the event the down payment is less than the remaining stumpage value, the Purchaser will continue weekly stumpage payments and load documentation until the full balance is received.

Full particulars, including bid form and sample contract, may be secured from Kirby Woolfolk, Forest Manager, by contacting him at 434-995-8096 (cell) to inspect the area and timber offered for sale or from Randy Kyner, Assistant State Forest Superintendent, 751 Oak Hill Road, Cumberland, VA 23040 (804-492-4121).

#### INSTRUCTIONS

1. Be sure to enter your complete and correct address.
2. All bids will be on the basis of price quotes per ton (\$0.00/ton) for pine pulpwood and price quotes per ton (\$0.00/ton) for pine sawtimber. Carry all bid quotations to two decimal places. The total combined value based on an estimated 4,825 tons of pine sawtimber and 14,050 tons of pine pulpwood will be used to determine the thinning bid.
3. Deposits/performance bonds are no longer required at the time of bid submittal. Instead, a **two thousand five hundred dollar (\$2,500) performance bond** made payable to **Treasurer of Virginia, Department of Forestry** will be required from the winning bidder at the signing of the contract. The performance bond will be retained until satisfactory conclusion of the contract by the successful bidder, at which time it will be released.
4. For hand delivery or conventional mail delivery, seal your proposal in an envelope marked as follows: "BID for Timber Sale on the Charlotte State Forest. DUE: February 22, 2023, at 10:00 a.m." Please write your name on the envelope if dropping off or mailing, "Bid Proposed by: (Name)." Enclose dropped off or mailed bids in an envelope addressed to the Virginia Department of Forestry, Attention: Administrative Staff Assistant, 751 Oak Hill Road, Cumberland, VA 23040.
5. If emailing your bid, send the bid form to [timbersales@dof.virginia.gov](mailto:timbersales@dof.virginia.gov). **All emailed bids must have the following in the subject line:** "BID for Timber Sale on the Charlotte State Forest. DUE: February 22, 2023, at 10:00 a.m.".
6. Be sure your bid is signed and delivered, emailed, or mailed in time to reach Cumberland well before 10:00 a.m. on February 22, 2023. **NO LATE BIDS WILL BE ACCEPTED.**
7. Results of the timber sale can be found on the Virginia Department of Forestry website on the date of the sealed bid opening at <https://dof.virginia.gov/vendor-opportunities/> or by calling (804) 492-4121.



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**PINE THINNING:** Located in Charlotte County, Virginia. Four stands are to be thinned to make a total thinning acreage of 190.2 acres. A listing of stands to be thinned and acreage involved is attached (Attachment A). Maps showing locations and access are also attached (Attachments B and C). State Forest personnel will take prospective Purchasers to the thinning areas if requested.

Date \_\_\_\_\_, 20 \_\_\_\_\_

I \_\_\_\_\_, of \_\_\_\_\_,  
(NAME) (RURAL/PO BOX, CITY)

Virginia, \_\_\_\_\_ [Phone Number: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_] hereby offer to purchase the timber  
(ZIP CODE)

designated for removal in a pine plantation thinning on the above defined portions of the Charlotte State Forest. I understand that the bid quotation below is for competitive selection of a contractor to perform needed thinning work and that said bid price is firm for the duration of the contract. The Purchaser will be required to make a down payment of **\$10,000** within ten (10) business days of the bid date. The down payment will be applied as a stumpage payment near the end of harvesting operations when the expected remaining stumpage value is equal to the amount of the down payment. In the event the down payment exceeds the remaining stumpage balance, a refund will be issued to the Purchaser. In the event the down payment is less than the remaining stumpage value, the Purchaser will continue weekly stumpage payments and load documentation until the full balance is received. I understand that stumpage payments shall be based on actual documented volumes removed and submitted weekly to the Forest Manager of the Charlotte State Forest at the Cumberland State Forest office. The bid I wish to submit for consideration is:

<b>ENTER PINE SAWTIMBER BID HERE:</b>	<b>Sawtimber Example:</b> \$0.00/ton	_____/ton <i>enter bid</i>
<b>ENTER PINE PULPWOOD BID HERE:</b>	<b>Pulpwood Example:</b> \$0.00/ton	_____/ton <i>enter bid</i>
<b>TOTAL COMBINED BID VALUE:</b>	Pine Sawtimber 4,825 tons x _____ + Pine Pulpwood 14,050 tons x _____	_____ <i>total combined bid value</i>

I agree that the awarding of said contract shall be to the Purchaser submitting the highest combined bid per ton for pine pulpwood and pine sawtimber. The conversion factor for this contract will be one cord pine pulpwood equals 2.59 tons. In case of identical bids, final determination will be by drawing restricted to those parties of identical bids. I also understand that the Department of Forestry reserves the right to reject any and all bids. A two thousand five-hundred-dollar (\$2,500) deposit/performance bond, made payable to Treasurer of Virginia, Department of Forestry, will be required when the signed contracts are returned. The deposit will serve as a performance bond and will be retained until satisfactory conclusion of the contract by the successful bidder, at which time it will be released. If the successful bidder fails to execute the contract in the prescribed time period or perform services to the standards outlined in the contract, in addition to all other legal remedies

available, the deposit will be forfeited to the Department. If this bid is accepted, I agree to pay the \$10,000.00 timber sale deposit for the offered timber within ten (10) business days of the bid acceptance date. I have read the sample contract to be signed if my bid is accepted.

Furthermore, I agree to pay the State Forest \$4.00/ton for hardwood pulpwood and 50% of delivered rate for all sawtimber on a weekly basis as cut and documented by load records. I have read the sample of a contract to be signed if my bid is accepted.

A Purchaser is in default if their bid is accepted, and they fail to abide by their agreement to purchase the timber as offered. Debarment, suspension, or rejection of future bids by the Department may result from such default.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

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Name (Typed or Printed)

**Send to:**

**Virginia Department of Forestry, Attention: Administrative Staff Assistant, Cumberland State Forest,  
751 Oak Hill Road, Cumberland, Virginia 23040 or email to [timbersales@dof.virginia.gov](mailto:timbersales@dof.virginia.gov)**

**ATTACHMENT A**  
**STANDS TO BE THINNED**

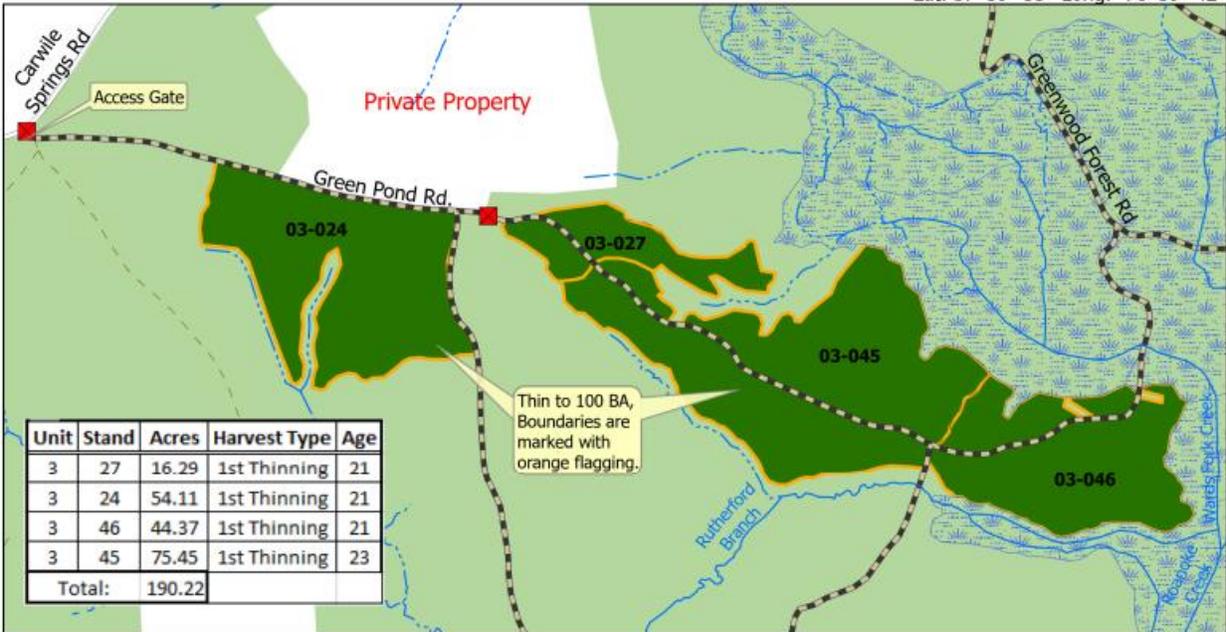
<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Unit #</b>	<b>Stand #</b>	<b>Type</b>	<b>Age</b>	<b>Acres</b>
Stanley	03	024	Loblolly Pine	21	54.11
Stanley	03	027	Loblolly Pine	21	16.29
Stanley	03	045	Loblolly Pine	23	75.45
Stanley	03	024	Loblolly Pine	21	44.37
<b>Total</b>					<b>190.22</b>

**ATTACHMENT B**  
**SALE AREA MAP**

**Charlotte State Forest**

**Drakes Branch, Virginia**

Lat. 37° 59' 33" Long. -78° 39' 42"



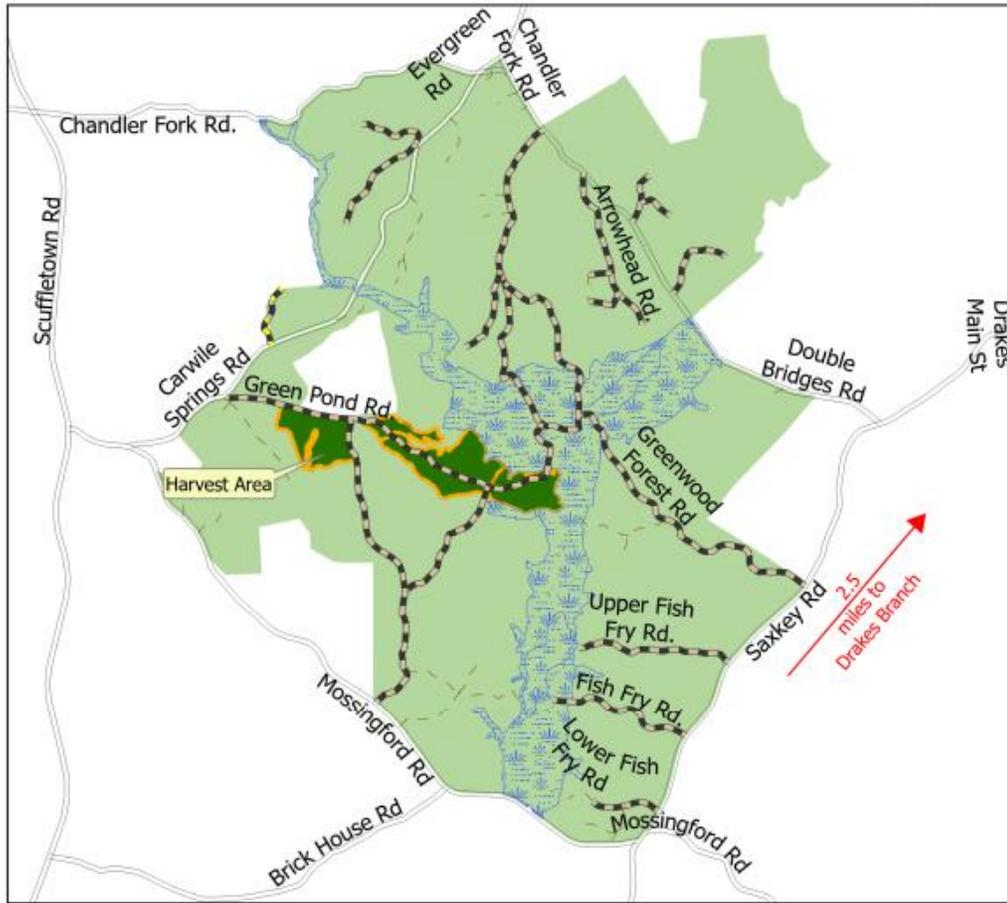
Unit	Stand	Acres	Harvest Type	Age
3	27	16.29	1st Thinning	21
3	24	54.11	1st Thinning	21
3	46	44.37	1st Thinning	21
3	45	75.45	1st Thinning	23
Total:		190.22		

**Legend**

State Forest	<b>Streams</b>	<b>Roads</b>
Harvest Area	Ephemeral	State Road
Wetlands	Intermittent	Forest Road
	Perennial	Service Road
	River	

**ATTACHMENT C**  
**GENERAL LOCATION MAP**

## Charlotte State Forest



**Harvest Areas:** First Thinning of Units 03-027 (16.2 acres), 03-024 (54.1 acres), 03-046 (44.3 acres), and 03-045 (75.4 acres). Total Harvest size of 190.2 acres. Thin to 100 BA.

**Legend**

- State Forest
- Harvest Area
- Wetlands

**Roads**

- State Road
- Service Road
- Forest Road
- Private Road

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