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**SANDY POINT STATE FOREST
PINE THINNING 2022**

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

Bids will be received for the purchase of timber designated for removal in a pine plantation thinning on the Sandy Point State Forest located in King William County, Virginia. Ten (10) stands of **SFI and ATFS certified wood** are to be thinned to make a total thinning acreage of 132.2 acres. A listing of stands to be thinned with respective age and acreage (Attachment A) and a map showing tract locations and access (Attachment B) are attached. Bids will be received by the Virginia Department of Forestry, Attention: Dennis Gaston, New Kent Forestry Center, 11301 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140 until 10:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 7, 2022, at which time all bids shall close. Bids may also be emailed to 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 highest total bid for the various forest 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 65 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 pink 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 six inches above mineral soil.

The approximate volume to be sold 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	10,614.7 Tons
Hardwood Pulpwood	275.0 Tons
Pine Sawtimber	2,141.2 Tons

All bids will be submitted on a stumpage price per ton of pine pulpwood and pine sawtimber. The sale will be awarded to the highest combined bid value per ton of pine pulpwood and pine sawtimber (based on estimated harvest volumes). The written bid must be quoted to two decimal places (\$0.00/ton). The stumpage price of hardwood pulpwood shall not be considered in the bidding. The stumpage price of hardwood pulpwood is fixed at \$3.00/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.

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 high bidder 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 will be submitted to the State Forest on a weekly basis throughout the entirety of the harvest. Stumpage payments will be paid in full weekly to “**Treasurer of Virginia, Department of Forestry**” and submitted to the State Forest until the down payment is applied. 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 buyer. In the event the down payment is less than the remaining stumpage value, the buyer will continue weekly stumpage payments and load documentation until the full balance is received.

Full particulars, including proposal form and sample contract, may be secured from the Virginia Department of Forestry, Randy Kyner, Assistant State Forest Superintendent, 751 Oak Hill Road, Cumberland, VA 23040 (804) 492-4121; or to inspect the sale areas contact Dennis Gaston, Forest Manager, Sandy Point State Forest, 11301 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140, office (804) 966-2201 or cell (804) 840-5493.

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 sawtimber. Carry all bid quotations to two decimal places. Approximately 10,614.7 tons of pine pulpwood and 2,141.2 tons of pine sawtimber are to be harvested. The right to reject any and all bids is reserved.
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 Sandy Point State Forest. DUE: September 7, 2022, 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, New Kent Forestry Center, Attention: Dennis Gaston, 11301 Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140.
5. If emailing your bid, send the bid form to timbersales@dof.virginia.gov. **All emailed bids must have the following in the subject line: “BID for Timber Sale on the Sandy Point State Forest. DUE: September 7, 2022, at 10:00 a.m.”.**
6. Be sure your bid is signed and delivered, emailed, or mailed in time to reach New Kent Forestry Center well before 10:00 am on September 7, 2022. **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 bid opening at <https://dof.virginia.gov/vendor-opportunities/> or by calling (804) 492-4121.



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PINE THINNING: Located in King William County, Virginia. Ten stands are to be thinned to make a total thinning acreage of 132.2 acres. A listing of stands to be thinned with respective age and acreage (Attachment A) and a map showing tract locations and access (Attachment B) are attached. State Forest personnel will take prospective buyers to the thinning areas if requested.

Date _____, 20 _____

I _____, of _____,
(NAME) (RURAL/PO BOX, CITY)

Virginia, _____ [Phone Number: (____) _____ - _____] hereby offer to purchase the timber designated for
(ZIP CODE)

removal in a pine plantation thinning on the above defined portions of the Sandy Point 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 high bidder 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 buyer. In the event the down payment is less than the remaining stumpage value, the buyer 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 Sandy Point State Forest. The bid I wish to submit for consideration is:

ENTER BID HERE:	Pine pulpwood \$0.00/ton	\$ _____/ton <i>enter bid</i>
	Pine sawtimber \$0.00/ton	\$ _____/ton <i>enter bid</i>
Total Estimated Bid Value:	Sawtimber _____ Pulpwood _____ 2,141.2 tons x _____ + 10,614.7 tons _____	\$ _____ <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 sawtimber and pine pulpwood. 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 timber sale deposit for the offered timber within ten (10) business days of the bid acceptance date. Furthermore, I agree to pay the State Forest \$3.00/ton for hardwood pulpwood and 50% of delivered rate for all hardwood 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 offer 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 _____

Name (Typed or Printed)

Send to:

**Virginia Department of Forestry, New Kent Forestry Center, Attention: Dennis Gaston, 11301
Pocahontas Trail, Providence Forge, VA 23140 or email to timbersales@dof.virginia.gov**

ATTACHMENT A
STANDS TO BE THINNED

Unit #	Stand #	Type	Age	Acres
02	005	Loblolly Pine	23	14.0
03	019	Loblolly Pine	23	11.0
04	009	Loblolly Pine	29	11.4
01	010	Loblolly Pine	31	11.1
01	011	Loblolly Pine	31	5.0
01	012	Loblolly Pine	31	21.3
02	008	Loblolly Pine	33	22.8
02	011	Loblolly Pine	31	1.9
02	012	Loblolly Pine	31	2.8
02	013	Loblolly Pine	33	30.5
Total				132.2

ATTACHMENT B
SALE AREA MAP

Sandy Point State Forest

Pine Thinning Harvest, 2022

