

Town of Boscawen

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Conservation Commission Public Notice

The Town of Boscawen seeks bids from qualified timber harvesting contractors to conduct a forest management and wildlife habitat improvement project on 35 acres of the 438 acre Boscawen Town Forest during the late fall/early winter of 2017-2018. Marked and tallied volumes include approximately 246 MBF white pine sawtimber and 17 MBF red oak sawtimber. Contractors should have a chipping capability. A showing will be conducted on Wednesday October 4, 2017, at 3 PM, meeting at the Town Forest gate off Weir Road in Boscawen. Interested contractors may download a complete bidder's package at (website address). Sealed bids are due no later than 3:00 PM on Tuesday October 10. Bids will be opened at 4 PM on Tuesday, October 10 at the Boscawen Town Offices, 116 North Main St., Boscawen NH 03303. For more information contact Town Forester Charlie Niebling at 603.965.5434.

If you are unable to attend please call or e-mail Kellee Jo Easler at 753-9188 ext. 309, keasler@townofboscawen.org

Town of Boscawen NH Boscawen Conservation Commission September 25, 2017

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE and Forest Management Truck Road Construction Boscawen Town Forest Project #2017-1

The Town of Boscawen NH, under authority granted to the Boscawen Conservation Commission, is proposing a commercial timber harvest on the Boscawen Town Forest, and offering for sale to a qualified bidder the following stumpage:

Species	Product	Approximate Sale Volume (bd. ft. unless otherwise noted)
White Pine	Sawlogs	199,000
White Pine	Pallet/Industrial	47,000
Hemlock	Sawlogs	1,100
Hemlock	Pallet	1,600
Red Oak	Sawlogs	9,000
Red Oak	Pallet	8,200
Red Maple	Sawlogs	900
Red Maple	Pallet	400
Firewood/HW pulp	Roundwood	50 cords or 125
		tons
Biomass Chips		750+/- tons

These estimated volumes are based on the International ¼" log rule and the standard 2,000 lb. English ton. Volume and product class of this stumpage are <u>conservatively estimated</u> based on marked tally and actual harvest volumes may be more or less. Bidders are expected to examine the property and determine volumes, values, and operating conditions for themselves.

In addition, the Boscawen Conservation Commission requests that interested bidders estimate construction cost to build approximately 1,250 linear feet of truck access road to a new landing site that will enable future management access to previously inaccessible portions of the town forest. This shall include gravel road bed, drainage ditching and stabilization and seeding of any exposed bank soil after job completed. Cost of this project shall be subtracted from net revenues due to the town.

The Boscawen Town Forest is a public conservation ownership managed for multiple uses including diverse outdoor recreation, protection and enhancement of game and non-game wildlife habitat, productive timber management, scenic quality, and protection of unique natural communities. As such any commercial timber harvesting must be implemented with care and attention to these diverse values. Approximately 35 acres of the 438 acre Town Forest are proposed for management under this timber sale. Additional timber harvests and habitat improvement projects are planned in future years to

fulfill objectives of a 10-year forest management plan recently adopted by the Boscawen Conservation Commission.

Trees to be cut will be marked with blue paint. Proposed skid roads are marked with orange and pink flagging, but are subject to change.

This sale will be shown on Wednesday, October 4 2017, at 3 PM. Interested parties may meet the forester in charge, Charlie Niebling, in the town forest parking area at the end of Weir Road off lower Queen St. in Boscawen (see attached map).

<u>The Boscawen Conservation Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids</u>. Bid prices shall be a primary determinant in deciding who to award bid to, but other factors, including scale of operation and equipment, skill in marketing and utilization, experience and quality of workmanship (particularly on municipal conservation lands) shall be taken into consideration. The attached bid form includes all information and instructions for submitting a bid. A copy of the draft timber sale contract shall be provided at the showing or is available upon request and may be obtained by contacting the forester in charge, Charlie Niebling, at 603-965-5434 or niebling@inrsllc.com.

Sealed bids will be received until 3:00 PM on October 10, 2017. Bids will be opened at 4:00 PM on Tuesday, October 10 at the town offices at 116 North Main St., Boscawen NH. The selected bidder will be notified by 7 PM on Tuesday October 10, 2017.

Mail or hand deliver in <u>sealed envelope</u> to: Kellee Jo Easler, Town of Boscawen, 116 North Main S</mark>t., <mark>Bosca</mark>wen NH 03303

Boscawen Town Forest Project #2017-1 Timber Sale and Forest Management Road Construction Prospectus Highlights

Location: This timber sale is located on approximate 35 acres of the Boscawen Town Forest, Weir Road, Boscawen NH. The forest management road construction is approximately 1,250 linear feet.

Period of Contract: The purchaser shall be allowed from contract signing through September 30, 2018 subject to seasonal or weather restrictions in which to enter, cut, and remove said timber and complete road construction.

Payment: This stumpage is offered per unit of product. Payment shall be made on a regular basis once harvesting commences based upon mill delivered scale until revenues for all products has been received. Contractor shall provide copies of all scale receipts with each payment, or as requested by forester in charge. Exact payment schedule will be negotiated. Payment shall be net of forest management road construction cost.

Timber Tax: Contractor shall be responsible for payment of the timber tax to the Town of Boscawen. Bid accordingly.

Insurance Required: The contractor and his subcontractors, if any, shall purchase, maintain and provide proof of the following coverage:

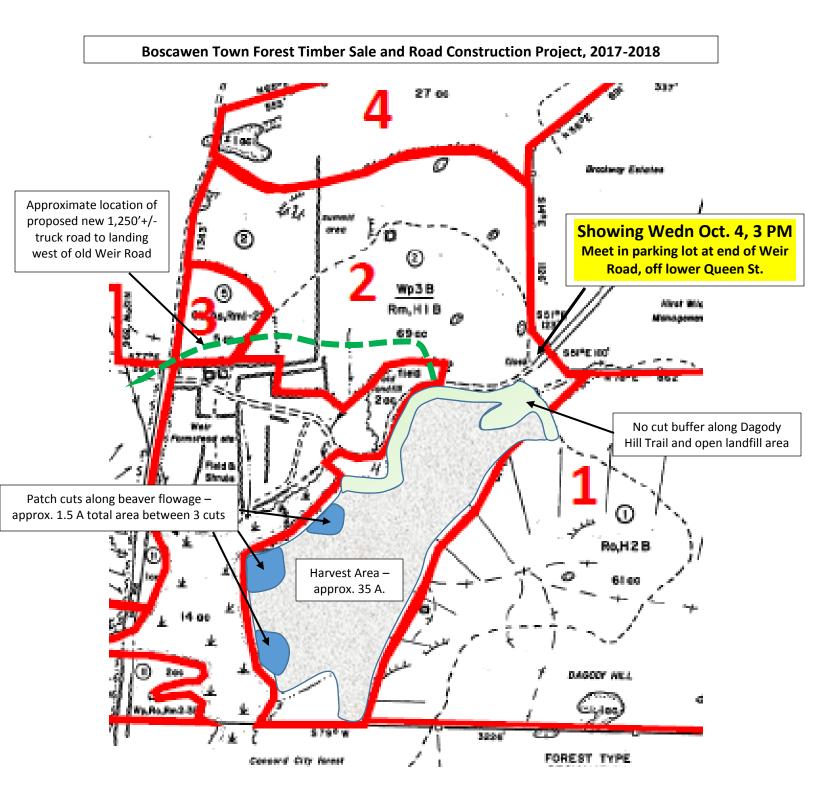
- 1) General, Personal Injury, and Automobile Liability (including bodily injury, personal injury and property damage) minimum coverage:
 - a. Combined single limit of \$1,000,000 each occurrence.
 - b. Any aggregate limit will not be less than \$2,000,000.
 - c. If any aggregate limits are reduced below \$600,000 because of claims made or paid during the required policy parodied, the contractor shall immediately obtain additional insurance to restore the full aggregate limit and furnish a certificate or other document showing compliance with this provision.
- 2) Worker's Compensation insurance as required by the New Hampshire Department of Labor, RSA 281-A.

Marking: Trees to be cut are marked with blue paint. All trees designated for cutting shall be cut, unless otherwise authorized by the forester in charge.

Scaling: The International ¼" log rule shall be the basis for measure for sawlogs. The standard 2,000 lb. English ton for any product scaled in tons. A cord of hardwood firewood shall be considered to weigh 2.5 tons.

Utilization: The contractor shall be expected to utilize all timber harvested for the highest and best product utilization, contingent on availability of markets. Any portion of a tree that cannot be used for a higher value product due to form or defect shall be utilized as hardwood roundwood, cordwood, or biomass chips. We are assuming at this time that no viable market exists for softwood pulp.

Forester in Charge: Charlie Niebling, 10 Queen St., Boscawen NH 03303. 603.965.5434. <u>niebling@inrsllc.com</u>. NHLPF#268.



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Bid Sheet

Mr. Tom Gilmore Chair, Boscawen Conservation Commission Town of Boscawen 116 North Main St. Boscawen, New Hampshire 03303

In accordance with the specifications and agreement hereinbefore named, I offer for the aforesaid marked stumpage on the described area the following prices:

PRICE		UNIT	SPECIES	PRODUCT
\$	PER	MBF	White Pine	Sawlogs
\$	PER	MBF	White Pine	Pallet
\$	PER	MBF	Hemlock	Sawlogs
\$	– PER	MBF	Hemlock	Pallet
\$	PER	MBF	Red Oak	Sawlogs
\$	PER	MBF	Red Oak	Pallet
\$	PER	MBF	Red Maple	Sawlogs
\$	PER	MBF	Red Maple	Pallet
\$	PER	MBF	Other Hardwood	Pallet
¢	PER	TON	Hardwood	Roundwood/
\$	_			Firewood
\$	PER	TON	Mixed	Biomass chips

AUTHORIZED SIGNATURE:

DATE:		
NAME/COMPANY:		
ADDRESS:	 	
TELEPHONE:		

The Town of Boscawen reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

Sealed bids (no fax or email) will be received until <u>3:00 P.M. Monday, October 9, 2017</u>. Mail or hand delivered only. Bids will be opened at 4 PM on Monday October 9. Bid award will be announced and posted at the town offices by 3:00 P.M. on Wednesday, October 11, 2017.

(Please remember to print your return address on the bid envelope.)