South Carolina Forestry Commission

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Invitation to Bid - SCFC Timber Sale - Francis Marion Forest

Bids Will Open Thursday, September 10th , at 11 AM
FMNF Headquarters 2967 Steed Creek Road Huger SC 29450
FM 012 ADV TS 27 Wadboo
Bids can be mailed, hand delivered, or emailed to jbryan@scfc.gov

All correspondence Must Reference: Att. John Bryan, Bid on Forest Products Sale FM 012 ADV TS 27 Weather Station and in the format/form of: a per unit price for all pine products and a per unit price for all hardwood products. Payments and weight scale tickets will be submitted weekly. Payment of the performance bond is due at the signing of contract.

Bidding Format Example

Buyers Name	FM 012 ADV TS 27 Weather Station	$XX.yy per ton for all pine products
		$XX.yy per ton for all hardwood products

The SC Forestry Commission reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

The sale consists of one unit in Berkeley County southwest of the intersection of Lotti Road and Highway 41. The timber is being sold through the Good Neighbor Authority.

Approximate Total Tons Available *(Buyers is responsible for their own estimate)*	~7786 Pine Tons	**Performance Bond Required at Contract Signing**	$15,000.00
Total Acres to be Harvested	~135 ac.	**Months to Complete Harvest Sale Ending Date**	12 Months October 1, 2027
Site Operability	Dry Weather Logging	**Harvest Marked Boundaries**	Harvest Boundary: Pink flagging, Hwy 41, Lotti Road
Harvesting Method	Operator-select first thin from below (Target BA:55-65) Rubber-tired equipment	**Potential specialty products**	NA
Leave Tree Preference (in Order): Longleaf pine, shortleaf pine, oak and hickory in upper canopy, larger-sized loblolly free from disease and defect.			
Site Restrictions	**Soils-** The stand contains the Wahee soil type (25% of the stand), and Craven soil type (70% of the stand) Logging will be limited on these soil types for part of the year due to seasonal soil wetness. The window of opportunity is normally 6-8 months of the year. Logging will not take place if there is evidence of surface ponding of water. **Equipment Cleaning Required** - Equipment should be cleaned prior to moving from an area known to contain non-native invasive plants **Visual Impact –** Skid trails and log decks will be located to minimize visual impact along travel routes. Stump and debris height will be minimized (less than 6") along travel routes. Throughout entire sale, concentrations of slash greater than 3 feet in height and 8 feet in length shall be lopped and scattered throughout the unit. Minimum skid trail spacing will be 60 feet center to center unless agreed upon in writing. **Palmetto Trail-** The Palmetto Trail runs along the southern border of the sale, approximately one tree length from the boundary. Do not cross Palmetto Trail. Signs warning the public will be placed on all trail access points where logging activities are occurring. The trail will be closed when appropriate **Red Cockaded Woodpeckers-** Mechanical activities are not allowed within 200ft of RCW trees during the nesting season (April 1- July 31). Temporary roads and skid trails will not be constructed within 50 feet of RCW Trees. There are currently two known clusters in the sale area. **Weather Station**- All Trees within 100 feet of weather station will be removed. **Roads-** Buyer shall maintain all USFS roads commensurate to initial pre logging condition during and after all logging activities.		

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For additional information, contact: John Bryan, Wee Tee State Forest Assistant Director: jbryan@scfc.gov Telephone: (803) 494-8196

Sale Requirements: A pre-logging conference must be scheduled between the Wee Tee State Forest Assistant Director, USFS Timber Sale Administrator, and the buyer and a representative of the logger.

The successful bidder must comply with the SC Illegal Immigration Reform Act, 2008. This is done by signing a form as part of the contract. Loggers must be able to provide proof of COMMERCIAL GENERAL LIABILITY insurance for the amount of ONE MILLION DOLLARS ($1,000,000) with the USFS & the SCFC named as co-insured, and proof of workers compensation insurance is necessary before a contract can be signed. Contractors shall follow OSHA safety regulations and shall comply with all federal, state, and local laws as well as EPA Worker Protection Standards and Migrant and Seasonal Workers Protection Act, if applicable.

Best Management Practices: All work must also adhere to the SCFC BMP standards (see SCFC BMP Manual). A courtesy BMP exam from the SCFC BMP Forester is required on this site. At least one responsible person on the logging crew must be a graduate of the South Carolina Timber Operations Professional Program, or equivalent program such as NC Pro Logger or GA Master Timber Harvester.

It will also be the buyers / logger's responsibility to obtain all necessary state and local permits and permission from DOT and any other pertinent entities prior to utilizing any state or local highway / road (or any other) shoulder / right of way associated with this tract. The buyer will also be responsible for performing all the road work necessary to ensure the safe operation of 18-wheel logging trucks.

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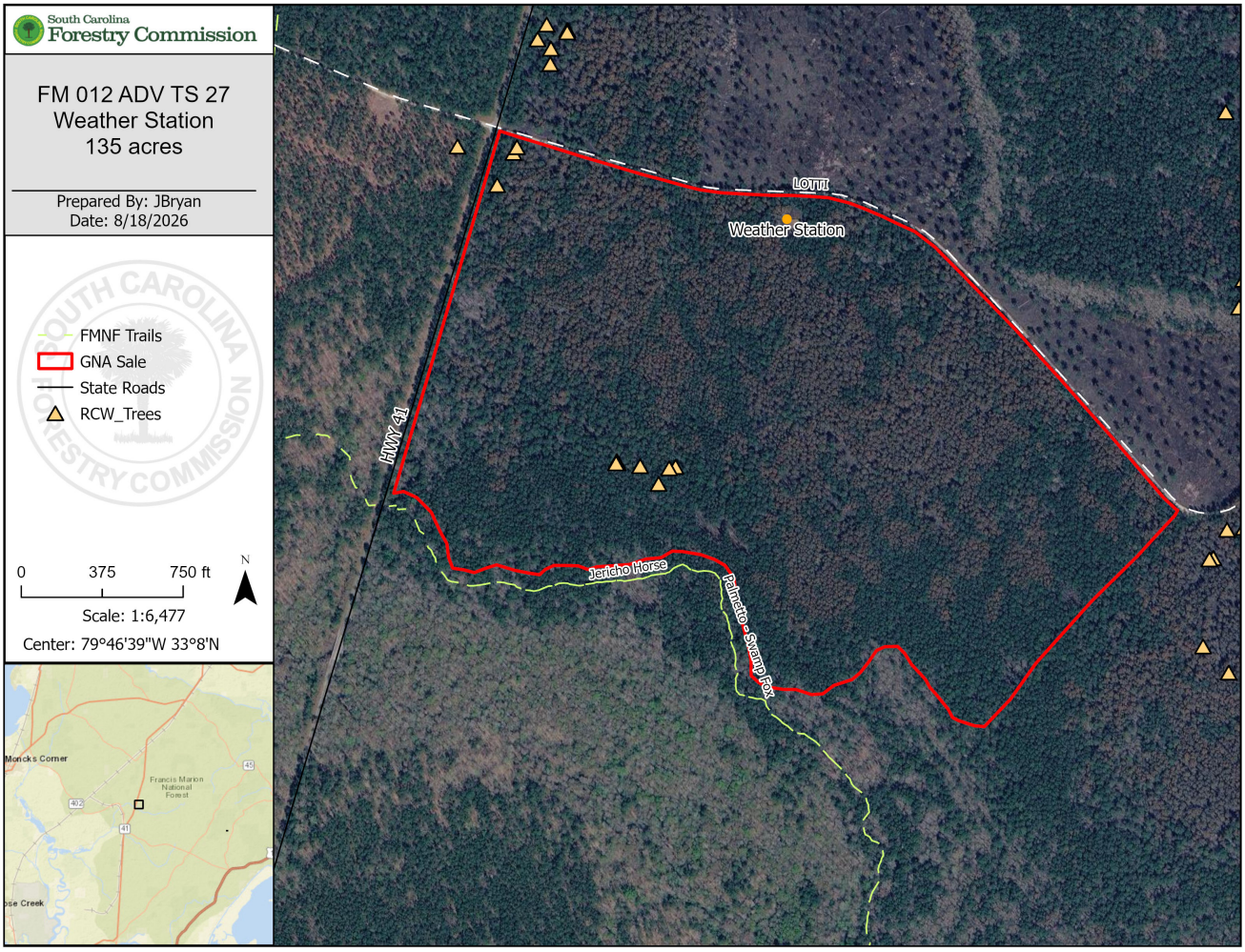
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