DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES Madison, Wisconsin

PUBLIC NOTICE

Invitation for Bids on the NORTHERN HIGHLAND-AMERICAN LEGION STATE FOREST

Sealed bids will be accepted by the Division of Forestry Financial Specialist, Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest, at the Trout Lake Forestry Headquarters, 4125 Forest Headquarters Road, Boulder Junction WI, 54512, until 12:30 p.m. Wednesday November 15, 2023, for the 14 tracts. After that time, bids can be hand delivered to the Boulder Junction Community Center, 5392 Park Street, Boulder Junction WI, 54512, until 1:30 p.m. (The bids delivered to the community center must be submitted to a DNR employee) These tracts comprise a total of 1948 acres.

A timber sale prospectus and detailed information including maps of each tract, as well as required bid forms and copies of sample contract forms, can be obtained by contacting the Division of Forestry Financial Specialist at the Trout Lake Forestry Headquarters (715) 904-1169. All timber sales and associated forms are also located on our website at http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/StateForests/nhal

Bids must be submitted on department "Timber Sale Bid" forms. Contractors who wish to bid on more than one tract must submit separate bids and separate envelopes for each tract. The department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

We will follow our traditional procedures and open and award bids in a random fashion. If you have an interest in joining the bid opening, the public may attend in person or a virtual option for this meeting will be available, and the call-in number will be provided upon request.

• For contractors wishing to withdraw a bid, there will be time given prior to each sale/tract being opened/announced to allow that to happen. We will do our best to be flexible and fair during the bid opening process.

These lands are Third Party Certified.

BID BOND POLICY

There is no bid bond required. However, winning bidders will have up to 6 weeks from the date of the bid opening to submit an acceptable performance bond to the department. If the winning bidder fails to submit an acceptable performance bond within the allotted timeframe, the bidder shall be required to forfeit to the department an amount equal to 10% of the total bid amount. Failure to forfeit the 10% penalty will result in the bidder being considered ineligible to bid on any state timber sales for a two-year period

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