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NHAL Timber Sale Bid Mailing List:

Enclosed please find a Northern Highlands American Legion State Forest prospectus sheet and timber sale management maps for the upcoming bid opening. **Minimum total bid prices are listed for each sale. Advertised per unit prices do not need to be met. An acceptable bid must be equal to the total minimum bid price or higher.** All species and products must be bid on or bids will be rejected.

Please note the new Bid Opening date, May 14 at 1:30 PM

AGAIN AT THIS BID OPENING, NO BID BONDS ARE REQUIRED.

Performance bonds will be required at contract signing (no later than 6 weeks after the bidding).

In response to Forest Industry input, we are noting sales set in **Native Community Management Classification Areas** on the Sale Maps. Native Community areas are noted as NCA. These areas are managed differently than Forest Production Areas and often have stand goals that reflect developing older stand characteristics rather than focused on establishing regeneration. This results in less volume harvested per acre. Please contact us if you have any questions on these sales.

Biomass harvest is the removal of fine woody debris (fuel rods/tops of trees) and non-merchantable standing trees designated for cutting on harvest sites for fuel. It prohibits harvest of down coarse woody debris already present on the ground. Whole tree harvest for paper chips does not qualify for the fuelwood price. If a sale is bid whole tree chip volume, then the 4" top of the tree and smaller will be charged at the pulpwood price. The fuelwood price is \$2.00/ton. Fuelwood will be added to a contract if utilized. A sale will be noted on the prospectus if Biomass Harvest is approved for that sale.

Successful purchasers of Northern Highland-American Legion State Forest stumpage will need to ensure that the actual logging contractor on site complies with the Wisconsin Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) Training Standard as adopted by the Wisconsin SFI Implementation Committee (SIC). To qualify for state sales all loggers must meet certain criteria to be considered a "Qualified Logging or Resource Professional.

We also want to repeat our policy of required **pre-sale meetings** with the forester in charge of administration for each sale. The Forestry Headquarters needs to hear from you prior (a week is best) to moving onto sales for harvest and prior to site harvest set up of landings and wood roads.

If you have any questions or require additional copies, contact the office at 715-385-2727 ext 111 or visit our website at <http://dnr.wi.gov/topic/TimberSales/>

Sincerely,
NORTHERN HIGHLAND AMERICAN LEGION STATE FOREST

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