



February 25, 2025

Dear Prospective Bidders,

Crow Wing County will be hosting a sealed bid auction for the enclosed timber appraisals.

The sealed bid auction results notification of only the high bidder will be held at **10:00 am on Friday March 28, 2025** in the Land Services Office. Bids will be opened the morning of March 28th 2025, prior to 10:00 am and witnessed by department personnel.

Bids for appraisals must be submitted to our office **before 4:00 pm on Thursday March 27th, 2025**. Bids can be mailed to this office, delivered in person or placed in the drop box located just outside the main lobby doors in front of the Land Services Building located at 322 Laurel Street in Brainerd.

After all Down Payments have been made, full auction results may be obtained by phone or email, and will be posted on the county website by 2:00 pm on Friday April 11th 2025 at the following link: <https://www.crowwing.gov/267/Timber-Auctions>

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our office at 218-824-1138.

Sincerely,

*Tom Strack*

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**Our Mission:** Serve well. Deliver value. Drive results.

**Our Values:** Be responsible. Treat people right. Build a better future.

# **CROW WING COUNTY LAND COMMISSIONER'S**

## **Notice of County Timber Stumpage Sale**

### **SEALED BID AUCTION**

Pursuant to the order of the County Board of Crow Wing County and under the provisions of Minnesota Statutes 282.04, Chapter 355, Laws of 1941, as amended, and under the provisions of the Timber Sale Policy adopted by the Crow Wing County Board of Commissioners on January 11, 2005, the following timber on tax forfeited lands will be offered for sale without the sale of land on **Friday, March 28, 2025**.

The sale of timber will be via a **SEALED BID AUCTION** with SEALED BIDS to be delivered to Crow Wing County Land Services, 322 Laurel Street, Suite 15, Brainerd, Minnesota 56401, **on or before 4:00 p.m. on Thursday March 27, 2025**. Bids will be opened the morning of **March 28th prior to 10:00 am and will be witnessed by department personnel**. The sealed bid auction results notification of only the high bidder will be held at 10:00 am on Friday March 28, 2025 in the Land Services Office Oak Room.

The SEALED BID AUCTION is subject, in part, to the following conditions:

1. Prospective bidders should request maps, cutting regulations, contract information and special regulations from Land Services or go on-line at: [www.crowwing.gov](http://www.crowwing.gov) to view appraisal tracts. Some tracts may have special requirements. Cutting shall be in conformity with the forestry practices as outlined in permit / appraisal.
2. Timber will be sold to the highest bidder, but for not less than the total appraised tract value. A **percent bid** must be indicated for the total appraised tract value. This percent will be applied to each bid species. Percent Bid shall be on a percentage basis in multiples of one (1) percent. Crow Wing County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
3. All bid forms must be received in the Land Services office no later than 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, March 27th 2025. **All bids must be on the official bid form.**
4. One **\$300.00 Bid Guarantee** in the form of personal check payable to the Crow Wing County Treasurer is required to provide a "bid guarantee" for bidding on all tracts. Failure to enclose the \$300 Bid Guarantee with your bid will result in rejection of your bid. For successful bidders, the Bid Guarantee will be applied to the down payment. Bid Guarantees submitted by unsuccessful bidders will be returned.
5. Successful bidders will have **10 days (April 7th 2025, 4 PM)** to submit a check, payable to the County Treasurer, for **15%** of the appraised tract value. Failure to make the appropriate down payment within the specified time frame will result in forfeiture of the bid guarantee. Successful bidder will be notified by mail.
6. If the successful bidder does not submit the appropriate down payment within the allotted time frame, the sale will be awarded to the next highest bidder. In case of tie bids, the successful bidder will be decided by the toss of a coin by the Land Services Director or Environmental Services Supervisor.

### **GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS**

- a. Bidding shall be on a percentage basis in multiples of one (1) percent. The bidder with the highest bid raise will be awarded the sale. The right to accept or reject any or all bids is reserved by Crow Wing County.
- b. Tracts not sold through the sealed bid are available for sale at the appraised price under the terms and conditions as stated in the sale offering/timber appraisal until such time as withdrawn from sale.
- c. At the discretion of staff, minor, incidental species may be designated as "nonbid" species which will not be affected by the bid raise.
- d. Successful purchaser of an auction tract must make a minimum down payment of 15% of the appraised value within 10 days of the sale.

- e. Upon receipt of 15% down payment, permittee is allowed to construct landings and/or access trails, if desired. Before harvest operations commence, permittee must **schedule an on-site, prework meeting with contract administrator**, and must pay balance of sale/block in full, plus an additional 10% of the appraised value of the total sale which will be deposited as a Performance Guarantee and refunded only after satisfactory completion of sale and repair of access roads and trails upon inspection by timber sale administrator. Each block must be paid in full before cutting is allowed.
- f. Any overrun that occurs on a block must be paid in full before purchasing next block.
- g. The 15% down payment will not be used to cover overruns. The 15% down payment will be retained and applied toward payment of final block.
- h. Land Services Department shall be notified before cutting begins and prior to sale completion. The location of all trails and landings must be approved by Land Services.
- i. No bidder shall act in any capacity on behalf of a non-qualifying person, partnership or company for the purpose of procuring rights to purchase timber from Crow Wing County.
- j. No bid shall be accepted from any bidder having a delinquent or uncollectible timber sale account with the counties or state, or from any bidder involved in a pending timber trespass case with the counties or state.
- k. Past due accounts will be charged interest on the balance equal to the interest rate set by the Minnesota Department of Revenue for tax forfeited land sale contracts.
- l. Timber sale will only be issued in the name identified as the successful bidder. Timber permits will not be transferred to a different individual after the auction, except that, in the case of extreme hardship, a permit may be transferred if approved by the land commissioner providing transfer document is finalized by all parties.
- m. Auction Sales are two (2) years in length unless otherwise noted.
- n. Providing good and sufficient reason is given, one - one (1) year extension is possible for a fee totaling 10% of the uncut volume, based upon bid value.
- o. Failure to activate the sale by paying the balance due before the expiration date of the contract will result in forfeiture of down payment to the County.
- p. Failure to commence cutting, failure to comply with contract regulations, failure to complete the contract within contract period shall result in default of the contract with any credit balance forfeiting to the County.
- q. Failure to comply with Consumer Scale Agreement may result in the disallowance of future Consumer Scale Agreements and may result in timber trespass pursuant to MS 90.301.
- r. Failure to secure an approved Alternate Landing Agreement prior to moving wood off-site may result in disallowance of future Alternate Landing privileges and may result in timber trespass pursuant to MS 90.301.
- s. If payment, in full, for sale/block is provided and if no cutting has occurred on the sale/block, the monies paid, less any down payment paid, may be credited to any other timber contract issued to the contract holder by the county providing the contract holder requests, in writing, that it be credited, provided the request and transfer is made within the same calendar year as the payment was received.
- t. Sustaining Minnesota Forest Resources: Voluntary Site-Level Forest Management Guidelines for Landowners, Loggers and Resource Managers will be implemented on all County managed forest lands.
- u. Liability: The permittee agrees to assume entire responsibility and liability for all damages and injury to all persons and property including County personnel and property whether caused by the permittee, the permittee's officers, agents or employees, arising from activities undertaken on this permit or the permittee's use of occupancy of the premises covered by this permit. The permittee additionally agrees to indemnify and save hold the County, its officers, agents and employees, harmless from all claims or causes of action arising therefrom.
- v. All merchantable timber which is removed to facilitate access to the permit area is to be utilized by permittee with the County being compensated for the value.
- w. All volumes sold are estimates only and cannot be construed as a guarantee or a limitation.

Direct Contacts for Staff:

Ben Fogarty - (218) 824-1355  
Tom Strack - (218) 824-1138

The following is a list of parcels to be offered:

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**SEALED BID-REGULAR****Tract#:1**

City/Twp: FIFTY LAKES

Public Access

**TS250341**Legal Description: NE 1/4, NWNW, SWNW, Sect 10, Twp 138, Rng 27.  
NENE, SENE, Sect 9, Twp 138, Rng 27**Species Information:**

* Ash	100 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$900.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	345 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$9,660.00	Area Estimate
Basswood	145 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$1,740.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	90 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$1,530.00	Area Estimate
Maple	185 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$2,220.00	Area Estimate
Oak	185 Cords	@	\$19.00 =	\$3,515.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$19,565.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$2,934.75**

Total Acres: 43.9

Expires: 03/28/2028

Operability: Dry Summer (Type 1 Only) or Early Winter: Nov 1 - March 15

Aspen Final Harvest and Hardwood Shelterwood

**Tract#:2**

City/Twp: EMILY

Public Access

**TS250342**Legal Description: NENW, Sect 18, Twp 138, Rng 26.  
SWSW, SESW, NESW, Gov Lot 6 & 7, Sect 7, Twp 138, Rng 26**Species Information:**

* Ash	40 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$360.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	1,700 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$47,600.00	
* Basswood	15 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$225.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	100 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$1,700.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	30 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$360.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$50,245.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$7,536.75**

Total Acres: 52.2

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 15

Aspen Final Harvest

**Tract#:3**

City/Twp: EMILY

Public Access

**TS250345**

Legal Description: NESW, NWSW, SESW, SWNE, SWSW, SENW, Sect 5, Twp 138, Rng 26

**Species Information:**

* Ash	15 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$135.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	1,050 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$29,400.00	
Birch	165 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$2,475.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	100 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$1,200.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$33,210.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$4,981.50**

Total Acres: 43.8

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Aspen Final Harvest

**Tract#:4**

City/Twp: EMILY

Public Access

**TS250338**

Legal Description: SWNW, NWNW, Sect 21, Twp 138, Rng 26

**Species Information:**

Aspen	485 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$13,580.00	
* Birch	40 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$680.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	40 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$480.00	Area Estimate
* Red Pine	70 Cords	@	\$25.00 =	\$1,750.00	
* Non Bid				<u>\$16,490.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$2,473.50**

Total Acres: 32.1

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 15

Aspen Final Harvest &amp; Red Pine 1st thinning.

**Tract#:5**

City/Twp: FAIRFIELD

Public Access

**TS250336**

Legal Description: NENW, NWNE, SW1/4 OF NE1/4, EX. PART TO STATE OF MN, SUBJ TO AN ESMNT OF RECORD AS SHOWN ON DOCUMENT #680187., Sect 14, Twp 137, Rng 26

**Species Information:**

Mixed Hardwood	250 Cords	@	\$22.00 =	\$5,500.00	Area Estimate
Red Pine	1,100 Cords	@	\$50.00 =	\$55,000.00	
White Pine	350 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$5,250.00	
* Non Bid				<u>\$65,750.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$9,862.50**

Total Acres: 35.9

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 15

Red Pine Final Harvest

**Tract#:6**

City/Twp: WOLFORD

Public Access

**TS250350**

Legal Description: SWNE, SENW, SENE, SESW, NESW, Sect 29, Twp 47, Rng 29

**Species Information:**

Aspen	1,250 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$35,000.00	
Birch	210 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$3,150.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	60 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$720.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$38,870.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$5,830.50**

Total Acres: 55.6

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Aspen Final Harvest

Temporary 300 sqft Wetland Crossing Needed

**Tract#:7**

City/Twp: OAK LAWN

Public Access

**TS250354**

Legal Description: NESW, SENW, Gov Lot 2, SWNE, NWSE, Sect 26, Twp 46, Rng 30

**Species Information:**

Aspen	1,025 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$28,700.00	
* Birch	110 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$1,870.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	120 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$1,440.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$32,010.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$4,801.50**

Total Acres: 52.8

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Aspen Final Harvest

**Tract#:8**

City/Twp: IRONDALE

Public Access

**TS250351**

Legal Description: NENW, SENW, NENE, SWNE, Sect 30, Twp 46, Rng 29

**Species Information:**

Aspen	815 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$22,820.00	
* Basswood	20 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$300.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	20 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$340.00	Area Estimate
Maple	100 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$1,200.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$24,660.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$3,699.00**

Total Acres: 31.4

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: May 15 - March 31

Aspen Final Harvest

**Tract#:9**

City/Twp: NOKAY LAKE

Public Access

**TS250356**

Legal Description: NWNW, NENW, Sect 5, Twp 45, Rng 29

**Species Information:**

Aspen	195 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$5,460.00	
* Basswood	20 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$300.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	30 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$510.00	Area Estimate
* Jack Pine	1 Cords	@	\$22.00 =	\$22.00	Area Estimate
* Maple	10 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$120.00	Area Estimate
Red Pine	130 Cords	@	\$30.00 =	\$3,900.00	
* White Pine	2 Cords	@	\$19.00 =	\$38.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$10,350.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

Down Payment Required: **\$1,552.50**

Total Acres: 21.1

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Aspen Final Harvest &amp; Pine 2nd Thinning



**Tract#:10**  
**TS250355**

City/Twp: NOKAY LAKE

Public Access

Legal Description: NENW, Sect 17, Twp 45, Rng 29

***Species Information:***

* Ash	10 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$90.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	510 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$14,280.00	
* Basswood	30 Cords	@	\$15.00 =	\$450.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	30 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$510.00	Area Estimate
Maple	80 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$960.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$16,290.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Tom Strack

*Down Payment Required:* **\$2,443.50**

Total Acres: 21.7

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Aspen Final Harvest

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**Tract#:11**  
**TS250357**

City/Twp: OAK LAWN

Public Access

Legal Description: Block 1 SENW, SENE, SWNE 77%, Block 2 NENW, NESW, NWSW, SWNW, SESW 23%, Sect 33, Twp 45, Rng 30

***Species Information:***

Aspen	2,610 Cords	@	\$26.00 =	\$67,860.00	
* Maple	250 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$3,000.00	Area Estimate
* Oak	80 Cords	@	\$22.00 =	\$1,760.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$72,620.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Ben Fogarty

*Down Payment Required:* **\$10,893.00**

Total Acres: 98.4

Expires: 03/28/2028

Operability: Winter Harvest Frozen Ground : Dec. 1 - Mar. 15

Aspen final harvest and oak thinning.

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**Tract#:12**  
**TS250352**

City/Twp: GARRISON

Public Access

Legal Description: NENW, SENW, SWNW, SESE, SWSE, NWSE, NWSW, NESW, SESW, Gov Lot 2,  
Sect 35, Twp 44, Rng 28

***Species Information:***

* Ash	90 Cords	@	\$9.00 =	\$810.00	Area Estimate
Aspen	400 Cords	@	\$28.00 =	\$11,200.00	Area Estimate
Basswood	270 Cords	@	\$12.00 =	\$3,240.00	Area Estimate
* Birch	10 Cords	@	\$17.00 =	\$170.00	Area Estimate
Maple	300 Cords	@	\$10.00 =	\$3,000.00	Area Estimate
Oak	220 Cords	@	\$19.00 =	\$4,180.00	Area Estimate
* Non Bid				<u>\$22,600.00</u>	

Sale Administrator: Chris Schwartz

Down Payment Required: **\$3,390.00**

Total Acres: 86.6

Expires: 03/28/2027

Operability: Summer - Winter: July 15th - March 15

Oak thinning, Public access from Chestnut Lane. Very steep topography with limited areas for landings. Oak Wilt  
Restrictions no harvesting or landing work will be conducted April 1st - July 15th

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Crow Wing County Timber Appraisal Report

Appraised By: Tom Strack	Sale Type: SEALED BID-REGULAR	Appraisal Number: TS250341
Appraisal Date: 09/03/2024	Auction Date: 03/28/2025	Permit Number: Expiration Date: 03/28/2028
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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
TF - 22090515	9	138	27	FIFTY LAKES	NENE, SENE
TF - 22100519	10	138	27	FIFTY LAKES	NE 1/4, NWNW, SWNW

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen		0	345	Cords	\$28.00	\$9,660.00
Oak		4	185	Cords	\$19.00	\$3,515.00
Maple		0	185	Cords	\$12.00	\$2,220.00
Basswood		10	145	Cords	\$12.00	\$1,740.00
Birch	X	3	90	Cords	\$17.00	\$1,530.00
Ash	X	2	100	Cords	\$9.00	\$900.00
Subtotal						\$19,565.00
Total						\$19,565.00

Total MBF: 0      Total Cords: 1050

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price)

Species Sold Area Estimate: Ash, Aspen, Basswood, Birch, Maple, Oak

Operability:	Dry Summer (Type 1 Only) or Early Winter: Nov 1 - March 15	Soil Type:	Loam fine sandy loam, moderately well drained
Topography:	Level to Rolling	Cutting Acres:	43.9

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
Type 1 Harvest: Aspen, Birch, Maple, Basswood and Ash.
Type 1 Reserve: All Conifers, Cherry, and Oak.
Type 2 Harvest: All unmarked Hardwood.
Type 2 Reserve: All Conifers and marked Hardwood.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Use only existing access roads.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Access road is also a Grant-In-Aid Snowmobile Trail. A 4 inch snow pack must be maintained over the road where practical and when snow conditions are favorable.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Temporary water/wetland crossing needed on one or more locations. Remove crossing when harvesting activity is completed.
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appriasal map for locations.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
No cutting is allowed within RMZs on this permit.

Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

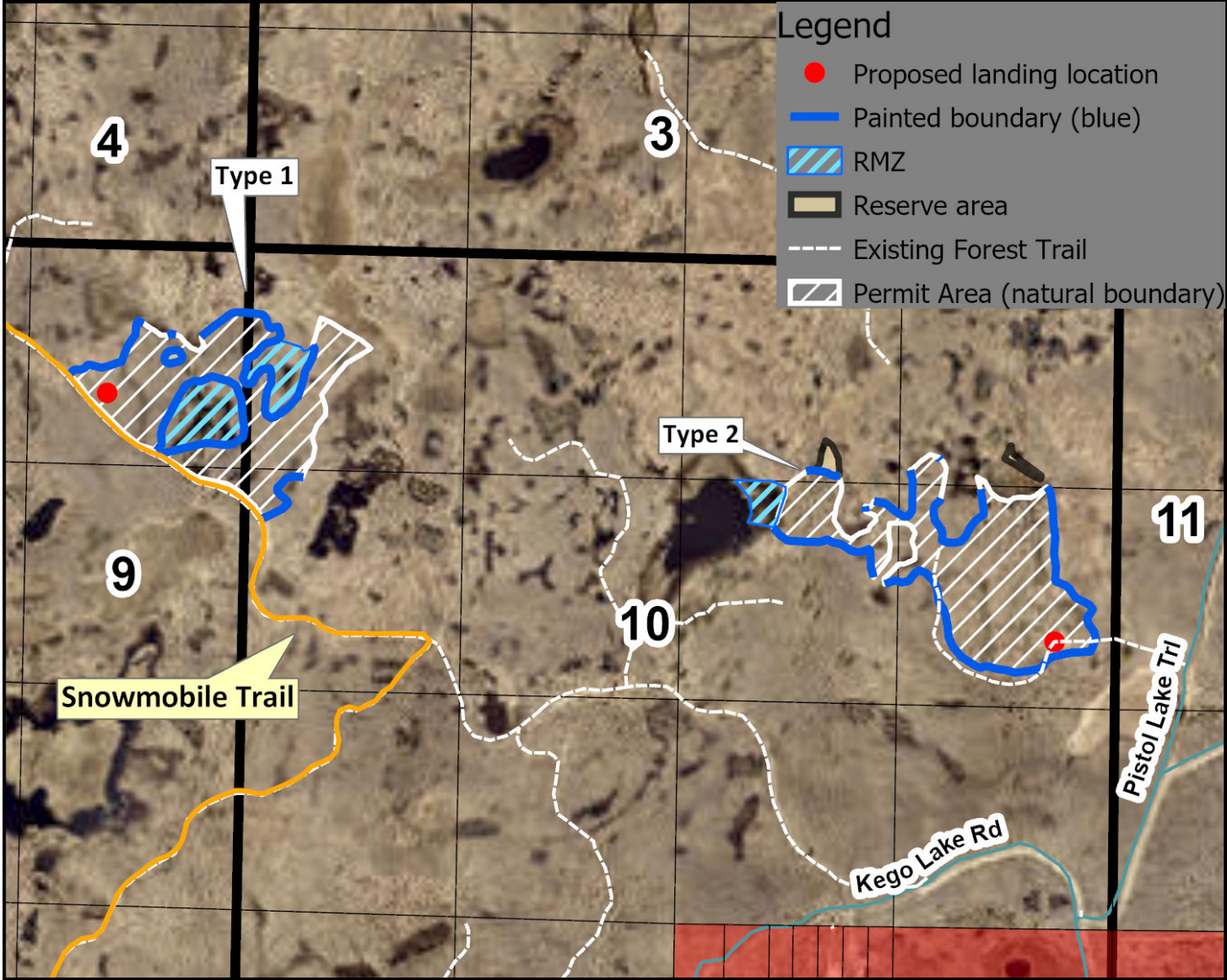
Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen: 10" DBH - 7 Sticks, Birch: 9" DBH - 5 Sticks, Maple: 8" DBH - 3 Sticks, Oak: 14" DBH - 6 Sticks, Basswood: 11" DBH - 6 Sticks, Ash: 9" DBH - 5 Sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 315 tons for dirty chipping and clean chipping.

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Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.

Site Map:



Appraisal examined and approved by

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Land Commissioner

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Date

I hereby agree to abide by the terms and conditions set forth on this appraisal and on timber permit

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Contractor

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Date

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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
TF- 21070505	7	138	26	EMILY	SWSW, SESW, NESW, Gov Lot 6 & 7
TF- 21180529	18	138	26	EMILY	NENW

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen		0	1700	Cords	\$28.00	\$47,600.00
Birch	X	1	100	Cords	\$17.00	\$1,700.00
Ash	X	1	40	Cords	\$9.00	\$360.00
Maple	X	0	30	Cords	\$12.00	\$360.00
Basswood	X	1	15	Cords	\$15.00	\$225.00
Subtotal						\$50,245.00
Total						\$50,245.00

Total MBF: 0                      Total Cords: 1885

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen  
Species Sold Area Estimate: Ash, Basswood, Birch, Maple

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 15                      Soil Type: Loam fine sandy loam, moderately well drained  
Topography: Level to Rolling                      Cutting Acres: 52.2

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch, Maple, Ash and Basswood. Reserve: Oak, Conifers and Cherry.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned. Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request. Surface material may be needed on access road(s). Permittee is responsible for providing.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction. Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree. Reduce stump heights to an average of 12". Reserve all non-hazardous snags. Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration. Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance. RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appriasal map for locations. Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion. If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately. No cutting is allowed within RMZs on this permit.

Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area. Slash may be chipped or must be placed in piles at the landing or other administrator approved location. Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations. If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations. Aspen: 9" DBH - 6 Sticks, Birch: 8" DBH - 4 Sticks, Maple: 8" DBH - 4 Sticks, Basswood: 10" DBH - 5 Sticks, Ash: 9" DBH - 4.5 Sticks. Biomass volume is estimated to be 565 tons for dirty chipping and 55 tons for clean chipping.

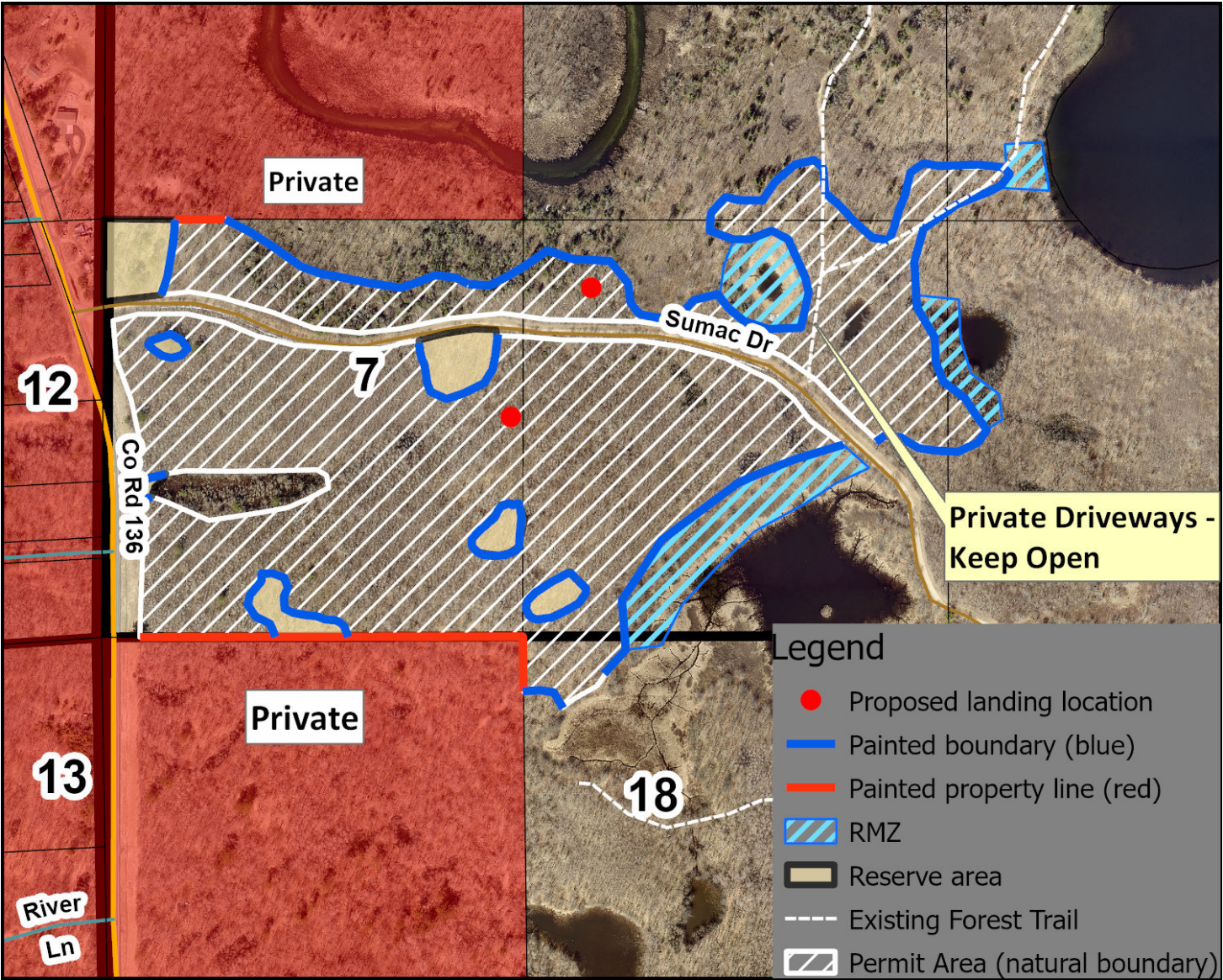
Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.



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<b>Appraisal Date:</b> 10/14/2024	<b>Auction Date:</b> 03/28/2025	<b>Permit Number:</b> <b>Expiration Date:</b> 03/28/2027
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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description			
TF- 21050524	5	138	26	EMILY	NESW, NWSW, SESW, SWNE, SWSW, SENW			
Block 1 Species		Non-Bid		Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen				0	1050	Cords	\$28.00	\$29,400.00
Birch				0	165	Cords	\$15.00	\$2,475.00
Maple		X		0	100	Cords	\$12.00	\$1,200.00
Ash		X		0	15	Cords	\$9.00	\$135.00
							Subtotal	\$33,210.00
							Total	\$33,210.00
Total MBF: 0				Total Cords: 1330				

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen

Species Sold Area Estimate: Ash, Birch, Maple

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Soil Type: Loam fine sandy loam, moderately well drained

Topography: Rolling to Very Steep

Cutting Acres: 43.8

Harvest Specifications

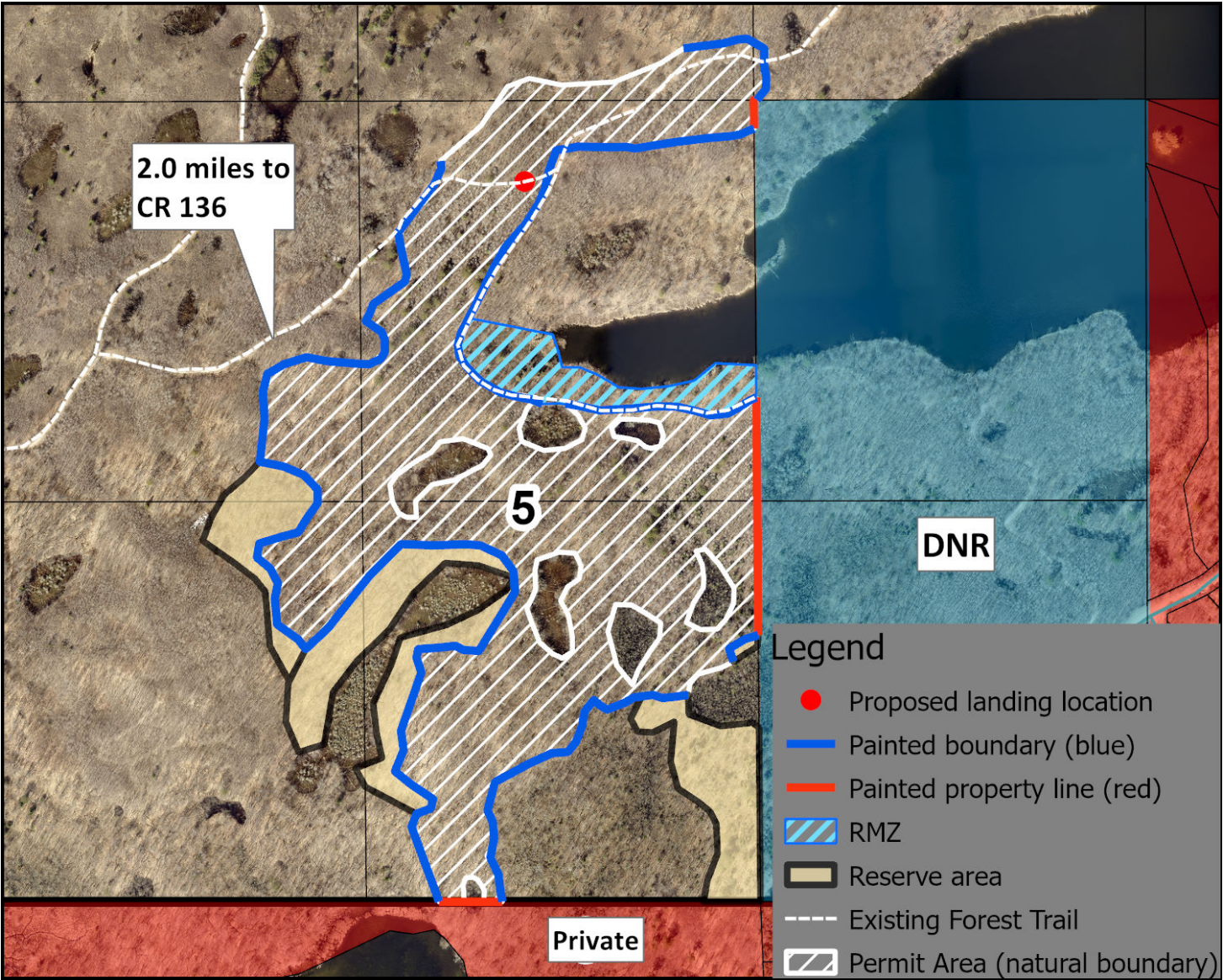
Access
Access is thru public land.
Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch, Maple and Upland Ash.
Reserve: Oak, Basswood, Cherry and Conifers.
Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Use only existing access roads.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.
Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appriasal map for locations.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
No cutting is allowed within RMZs on this permit.
Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.
Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen: 9" DBH - 6 Sticks, Birch: 11" DBH - 5.5 Sticks, Maple: 10" DBH - 4 Sticks, Ash: 8" DBH - 5 Sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 400 tons for dirty chipping and 85 tons for clean chipping.
Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.



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<b>Appraisal Date:</b> 07/09/2024	<b>Auction Date:</b> 03/28/2025	<b>Permit Number:</b> <b>Expiration Date:</b> 03/28/2027
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TF - 21210527	21	138	26	EMILY	SWNW, NWNW			
<u>Block 1 Species</u>		<u>Non-Bid</u>		<u>Bolt %</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Value</u>
Aspen				0	485	Cords	\$28.00	\$13,580.00
Red Pine		X		38	70	Cords	\$25.00	\$1,750.00
Birch		X		2	40	Cords	\$17.00	\$680.00
Maple		X		0	40	Cords	\$12.00	\$480.00
							<b>Subtotal</b>	\$16,490.00
							<b>Total</b>	\$16,490.00
<b>Total MBF: 0</b>				<b>Total Cords: 635</b>				

**Species Scaled:** (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen, Red Pine

**Species Sold Area Estimate:** Birch, Maple

**Operability:** Summer: May 15 - March 15      **Soil Type:** Loam fine sandy loam, moderately well drained

**Topography:** Level      **Cutting Acres:** 32.1

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch and Maple. Also, harvest 1/3 of the standing volume of Red Pine by Timber Sale Administrator approved method in the planted Red Pine Areas.
Reserve: Oak, White Pine, Jack Pine and Ash. Also Reserve 2/3 of the standing volume in the planted Red Pine areas.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Use only existing access roads.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Surface material may be needed on access road(s). Permittee is responsible for providing.
Access road is also a Grant-In-Aid Snowmobile Trail. A 4 inch snow pack must be maintained over the road where practical and when snow conditions are favorable.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.

Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

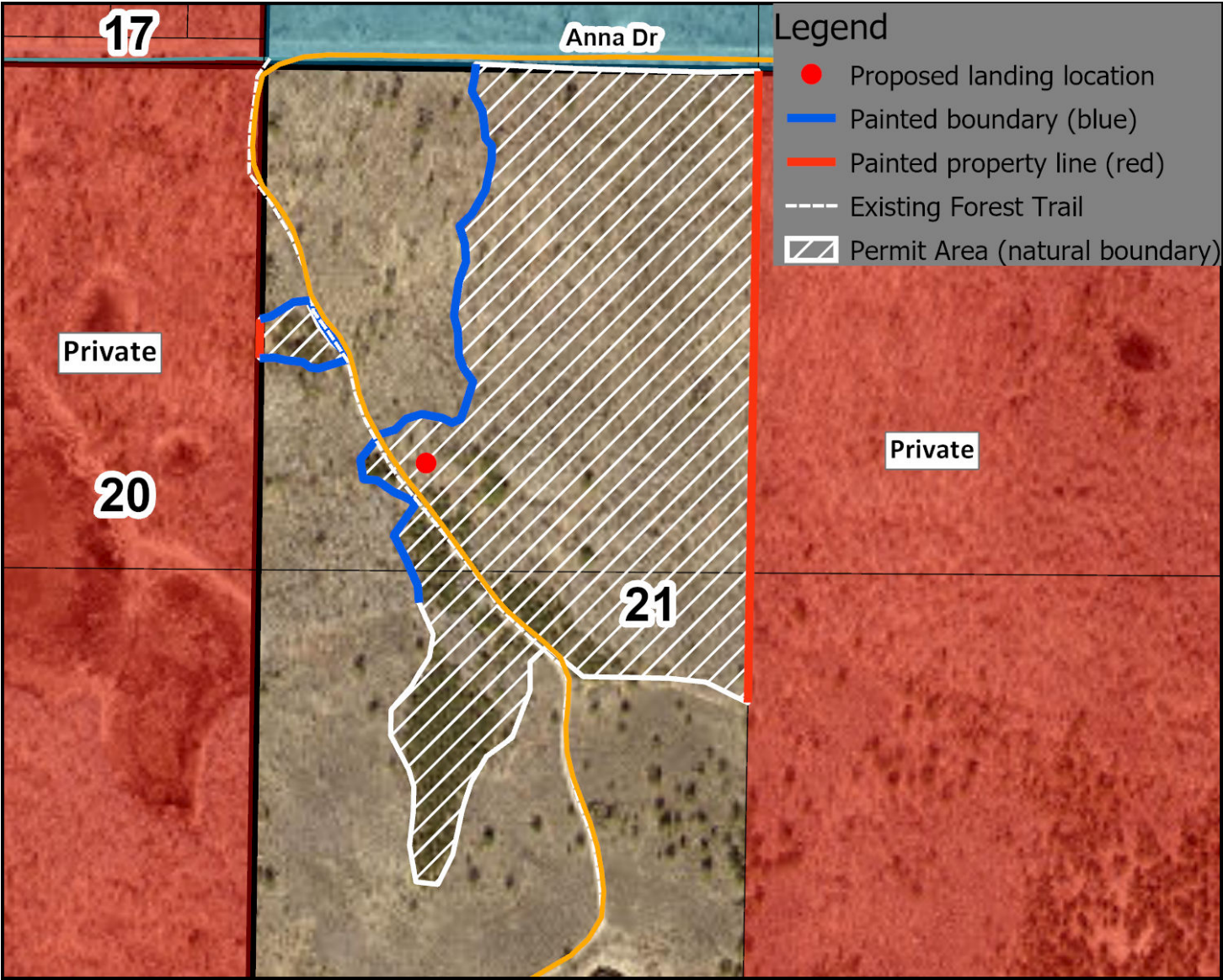
Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen: 9" DBH - 6 Sticks, Birch: 13" DBH - 6 Sticks, Maple: 11" DBH - 4 Sticks, Red Pine: 8" DBH - 4.5 Sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 190 tons for dirty chipping operations and 24 tons for clean chipping operations.

Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.

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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
TF- 60140514	14	137	26	FAIRFIELD	NENW, NWNE, SW1/4 OF NE1/4, EX. PART TO STATE OF MN, SUBJ TO AN ESMNT OF RECORD AS SHOWN ON DOCUMENT #680187.

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Red Pine		87	1100	Cords	\$50.00	\$55,000.00
White Pine		70	350	Cords	\$15.00	\$5,250.00
Mixed Hardwood		0	250	Cords	\$22.00	\$5,500.00
Subtotal						\$65,750.00
Total						\$65,750.00

Total MBF: 0                      Total Cords: 1700

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price)      Red Pine, White Pine  
Species Sold Area Estimate:      Mixed Hardwood

Operability:              Summer: May 15 - March 15                      Soil Type:              Loam fine sandy loam, moderately well drained  
Topography:              Rolling to Steep                      Cutting Acres:              35.9

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Red Pine, White Pine*, Aspen, Birch, Maple, Oak, Basswood and Spruce. Reserve: 2 White Pine Per acre greater than 15" DBH.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned. Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request. Surface material may be needed on access road(s). Permittee is responsible for providing.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction. Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree. Reduce stump heights to an average of 12". Reserve all non-hazardous snags. Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration. Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries. Some steep slopes occur on this permit, which may require hand felling.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance. Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion. If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.

Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area. Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations. If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations. Red Pine: 19-25" DBH, 8 Sticks, White Pine: 14-25" DBH, 7 Sticks. Biomass volume is estimated to be 510 tons for dirty chipping and 75 tons for clean chipping per the County Biomass Policy.

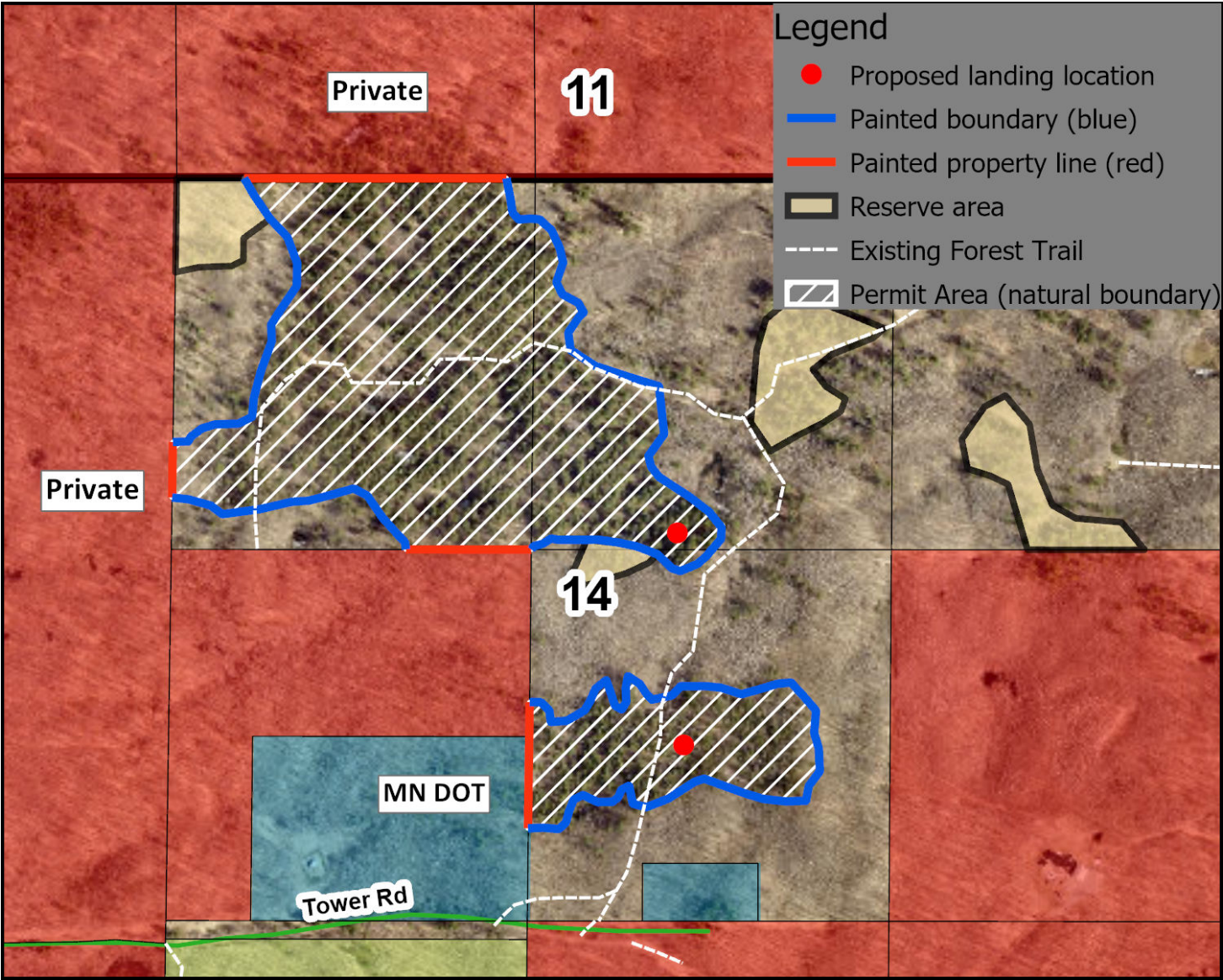
Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.



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<b>Appraisal Date:</b> 01/13/2025	<b>Auction Date:</b> 03/28/2025	<b>Permit Number:</b>
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TF- 95290513	29	47	29	WOLFORD	SWNE, SENW, SENE, SESW, NESW			
<u>Block 1 Species</u>			<u>Non-Bid</u>	<u>Bolt %</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Value</u>
Aspen				0	1250	Cords	\$28.00	\$35,000.00
Birch				12	210	Cords	\$15.00	\$3,150.00
Maple			X	0	60	Cords	\$12.00	\$720.00
							<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$38,870.00</b>
							<b>Total</b>	<b>\$38,870.00</b>
<b>Total MBF: 0</b>				<b>Total Cords: 1520</b>				

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price)

Aspen

Species Sold Area Estimate:

Birch, Maple

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31

Soil Type: Loamy Sand, Excessively Drained

Topography: Level

Cutting Acres: 55.6

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.
Access is thru private land can be an option but has not been secured or explored.

Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch and Maple.
Reserve: Conifers, Ash, Basswood, Oak and Cherry.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Surface material may be needed on access road(s). Permittee is responsible for providing.
Borrow pit and/or fill material is needed for access road and/or trail construction.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Temporary water/wetland crossing needed on one or more locations. Remove crossing when harvesting activity is completed. Crossing can be constructed of borrow materials and trees.
Borrow pit and/or fill material is needed for access road and/or trail construction.
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.

Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
Slash may be chipped or must be placed in piles at the landing or other administrator approved location.
Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen: 10" DBH - 6 Sticks, Birch: 11" DBH - 5 Sticks, Maple: 8" DBH - 3.5 Sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 455 tons for dirty chipping and 80 tons for clean chipping.

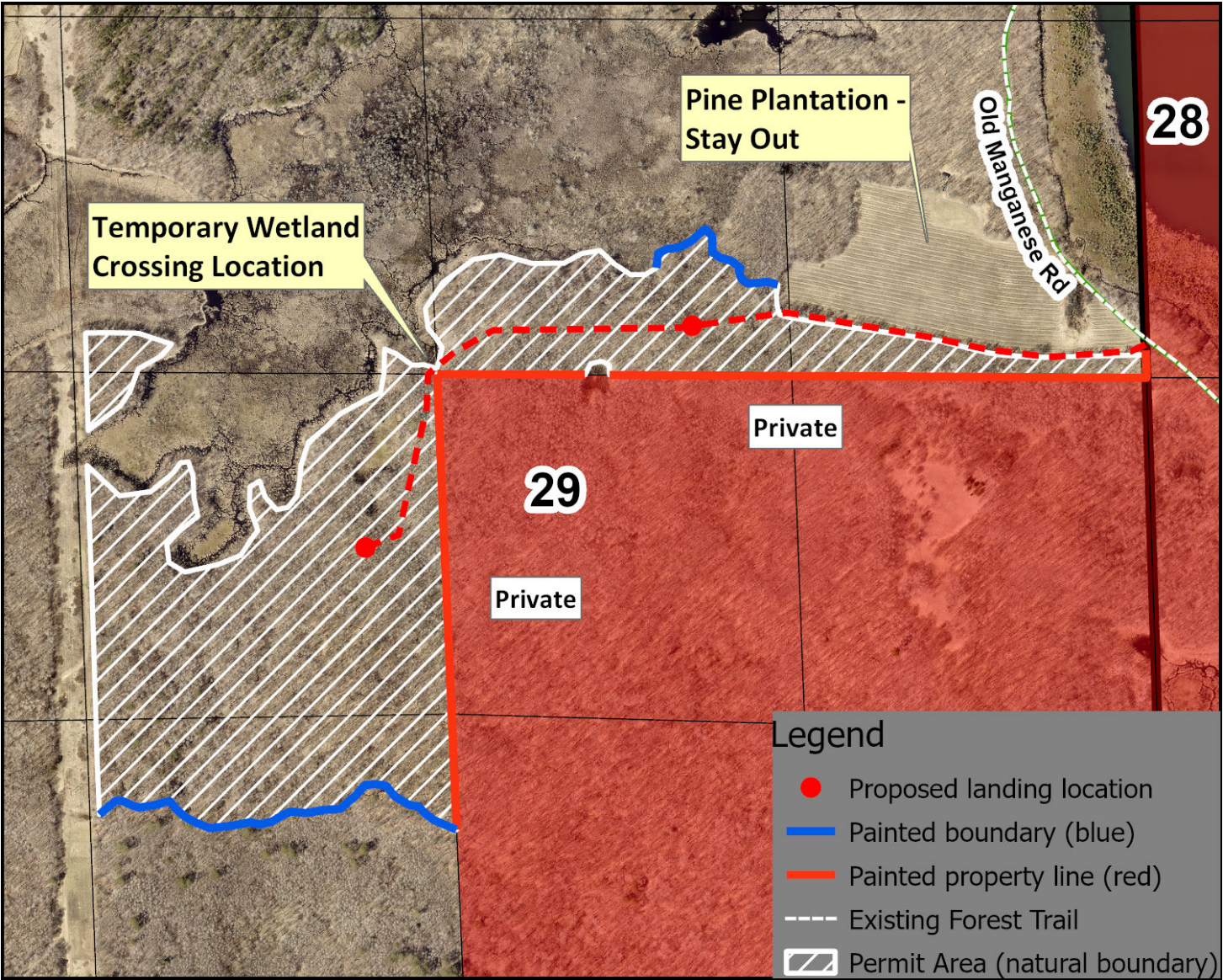
Other Remarks
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CF- 81260552	26	46	30	OAK LAWN	NESW, SENW, Gov Lot 2, SWNE, NWSE			
<u>Block 1 Species</u>		<u>Non-Bid</u>		<u>Bolt %</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Value</u>
Aspen				0	1025	Cords	\$28.00	\$28,700.00
Birch		X		0	110	Cords	\$17.00	\$1,870.00
Maple		X		0	120	Cords	\$12.00	\$1,440.00
							<b>Subtotal</b>	<b>\$32,010.00</b>
							<b>Total</b>	<b>\$32,010.00</b>
<b>Total MBF: 0</b>				<b>Total Cords: 1255</b>				

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen

Species Sold Area Estimate: Birch, Maple

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31      Soil Type: Loamy, Moderately Drained  
Topography: Rolling to Steep      Cutting Acres: 52.8

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.
Permit Holder must repair any damage to existing ATV and OHM Trails as the result of hauling or skidding.

Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch and Maple.
Reserve: Oak, Conifers, Cherry, Ash and Basswood.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Surface material may be needed on access road(s). Permittee is responsible for providing.
Access road is also a Grant-In-Aid Snowmobile Trail. A 4 inch snow pack must be maintained over the road where practical and when snow conditions are favorable.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appriasal map for locations.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
No cutting is allowed within RMZs on this permit.

Slash Disposal
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen: 9" DBH - 6 Sticks, Birch: 9" DBH - 4.5 Sticks, Maple: 8" DBH - 3 Sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 375 tons for dirty chipping and 70 tons for clean chipping.

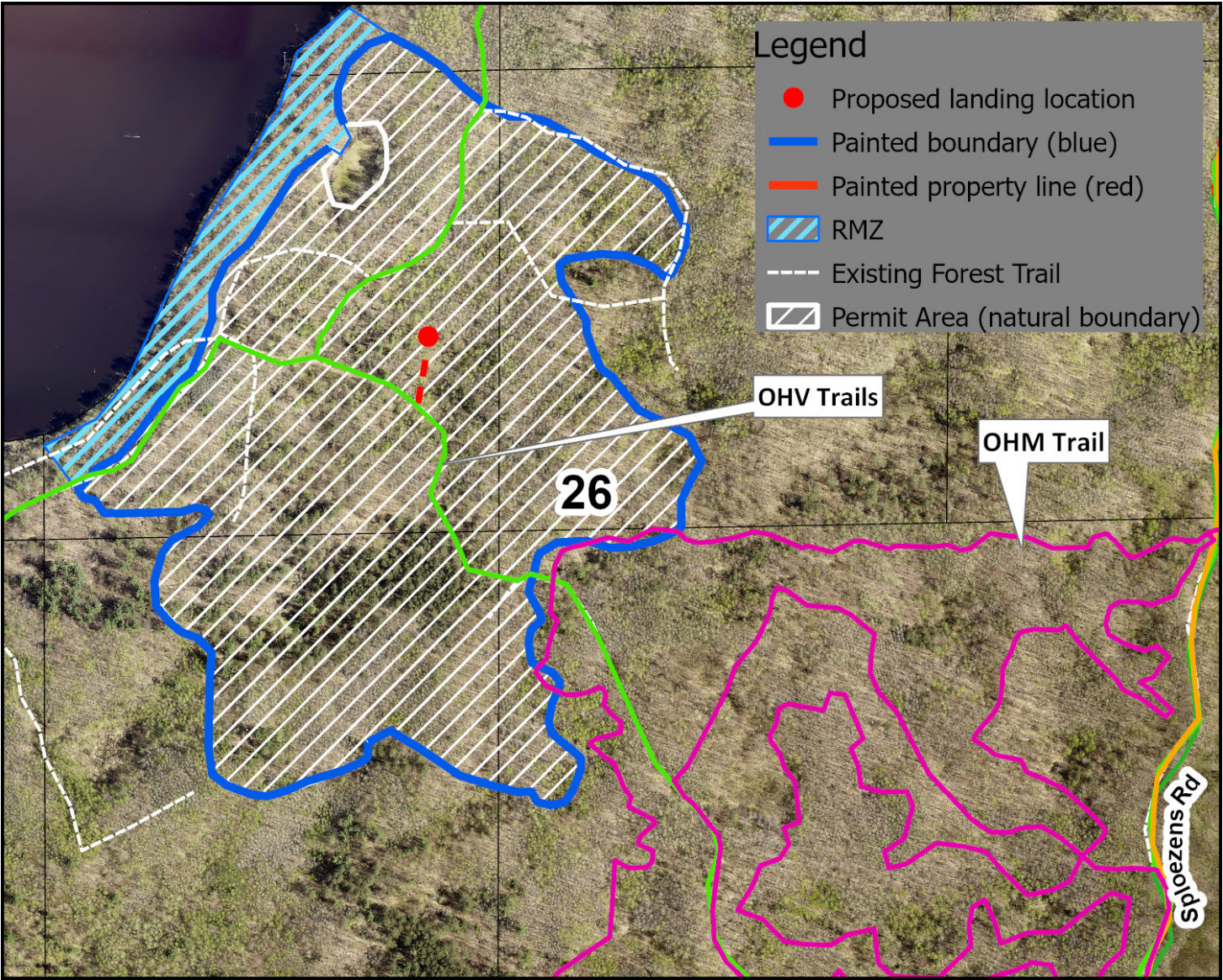
Other Remarks
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TF- 7130P000	30	46	29	IRONDALE	NENW, SENW, NENE, SWNE		
<u>Block 1 Species</u>		<u>Non-Bid</u>	<u>Bolt %</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Value</u>
Aspen			0	815	Cords	\$28.00	\$22,820.00
Maple			0	100	Cords	\$12.00	\$1,200.00
Birch		X	4	20	Cords	\$17.00	\$340.00
Basswood		X	7	20	Cords	\$15.00	\$300.00
						<b>Subtotal</b>	\$24,660.00
						<b>Total</b>	\$24,660.00
<b>Total MBF: 0</b>			<b>Total Cords: 955</b>				

**Species Scaled:** (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen  
**Species Sold Area Estimate:** Basswood, Birch, Maple

**Operability:** May 15 - March 31  
**Topography:** Level to Rolling  
**Soil Type:** Loamy Sand, Excessively Drained  
**Cutting Acres:** 31.4

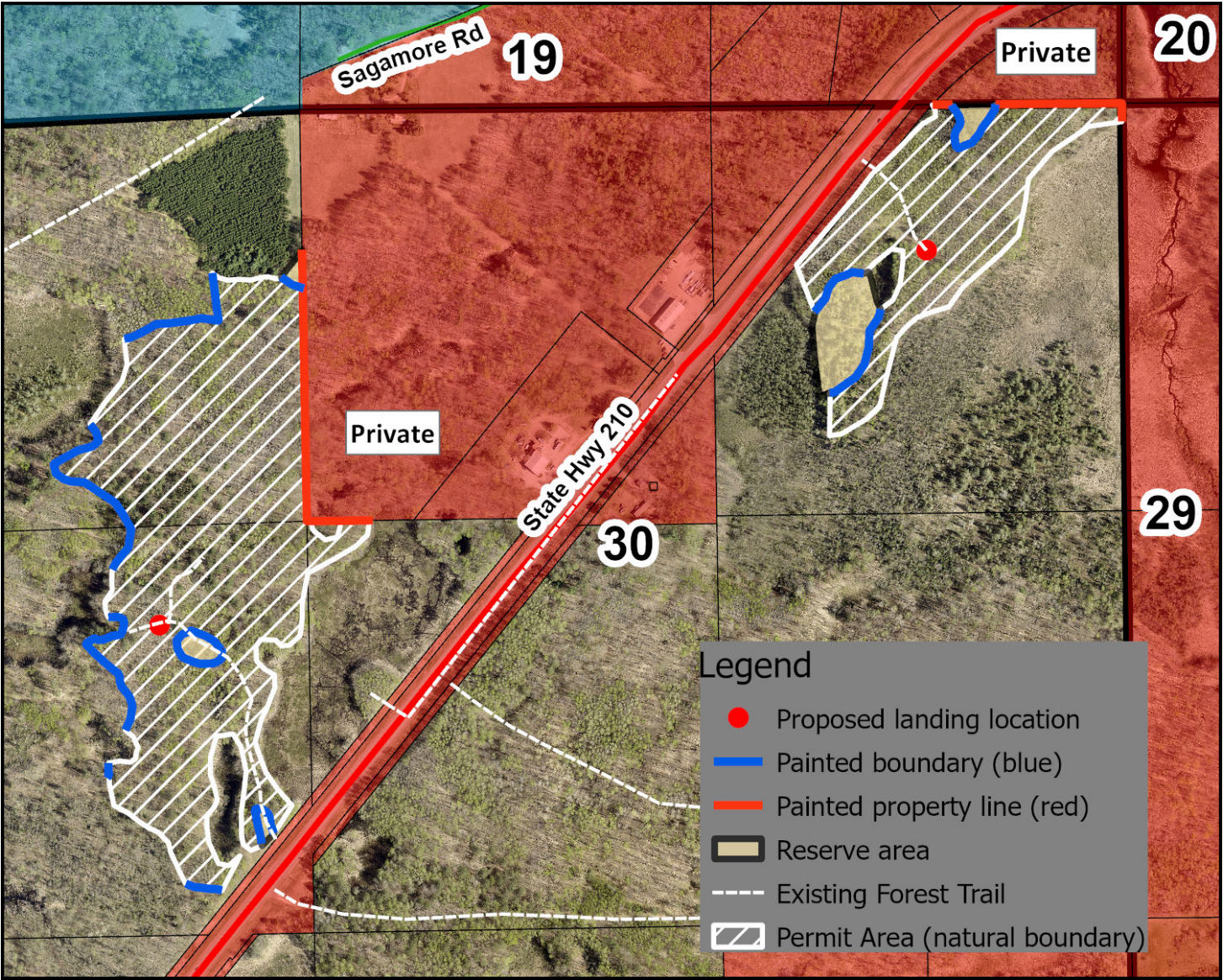
Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.
Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch, Maple and Basswood. Reserve: Conifers, Oak, Cherry and Ash.
Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned. Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree. Reduce stump heights to an average of 12". Reserve all non-hazardous snags. Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration. Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.
Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance. Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion. If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area. Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations. If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.
Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations. Aspen: 9" DBH - 5.5 Sticks, Birch: 10" DBH - 4.5 Sticks, Maple: 10" DBH - 4.5 Sticks, Basswood: 10" DBH - 4 Sticks. Biomass volume is estimated to be 285 tons for dirty chipping and 40 tons for clean chipping.
Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.

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<b>Appraised By:</b> Tom Strack	<b>Sale Type:</b> SEALED BID-REGULAR	<b>Appraisal Number:</b> TS250356
<b>Appraisal Date:</b> 01/24/2025	<b>Auction Date:</b> 03/28/2025	<b>Permit Number:</b> <b>Expiration Date:</b> 03/28/2027
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Legal Description

<u>RE Code</u>	<u>Sec.</u>	<u>Twp.</u>	<u>Rge</u>	<u>City/Twp</u>	<u>Legal Description</u>			
TF- 78050510	5	45	29	NOKAY LAKE	NWNW, NENW			
<u>Block 1 Species</u>			<u>Non-Bid</u>	<u>Bolt %</u>	<u>Volume</u>	<u>Units</u>	<u>Unit Price</u>	<u>Value</u>
Aspen				0	195	Cords	\$28.00	\$5,460.00
Red Pine				40	130	Cords	\$30.00	\$3,900.00
Birch			X	0	30	Cords	\$17.00	\$510.00
Basswood			X	0	20	Cords	\$15.00	\$300.00
Maple			X	0	10	Cords	\$12.00	\$120.00
White Pine			X	40	2	Cords	\$19.00	\$38.00
Jack Pine			X	40	1	Cords	\$22.00	\$22.00
							<b>Subtotal</b>	\$10,350.00
							<b>Total</b>	\$10,350.00
<b>Total MBF: 0</b>				<b>Total Cords: 388</b>				

Species Scaled:

(Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price)

Aspen, Red Pine

Species Sold Area Estimate:

Basswood, Birch, Jack Pine, Maple, White Pine

Operability:

Summer: May 15 - March 31

Soil Type:

Loamy Sand, Excessively Drained

Topography:

Level to Rolling

Cutting Acres:

21.1

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.
Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch, Maple, Basswood, Marked Red, White and Jack Pine. Reserve: Oak, Unmakred Red, White and Jack Pine.
Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator. Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned. Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.
Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction. Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree. Reduce stump heights to an average of 12". Reserve all non-hazardous snags. Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration. Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.
Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance. Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion. If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area. Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations. If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.
Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations. Red Pine: 8" DBH - 5 Sticks, Aspen: 12" DBH - 5 Sticks, Birch: 8" DBH - 4 Sticks, Maple: 7" DBH - 3 Sticks, Basswood: 13" DBH - 5 Sticks. Biomass volume is estimated to be 115 tons for dirty chipping and 20 tons for clean chipping.
Other Remarks
Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.



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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
TF- 78170511	17	45	29	NOKAY LAKE	NENW

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen		0	510	Cords	\$28.00	\$14,280.00
Maple		0	80	Cords	\$12.00	\$960.00
Birch	X	3	30	Cords	\$17.00	\$510.00
Basswood	X	15	30	Cords	\$15.00	\$450.00
Ash	X	0	10	Cords	\$9.00	\$90.00
Subtotal						\$16,290.00
Total						\$16,290.00

Total MBF: 0      Total Cords: 660

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen

Species Sold Area Estimate: Ash, Basswood, Birch, Maple

Operability: Summer: May 15 - March 31      Soil Type: Loamy Sand, Excessively Drained

Topography: Level to Rolling      Cutting Acres: 21.7

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
Harvest: Aspen, Birch, Maple, Ash and Basswood.
Reserve: Oak, Conifers and Cherry.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Use only existing access roads.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.

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Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen: 10" DBH - 6.5 Sticks, Birch: 8" DBH - 4 Sticks, Maple: 9" DBH - 3.5 Sticks, Basswood: 11" DBH 5.5 Sticks, Ash: 8" DBH - 5 Sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 195 tons for dirty chipping and 45 tons for clean chipping.

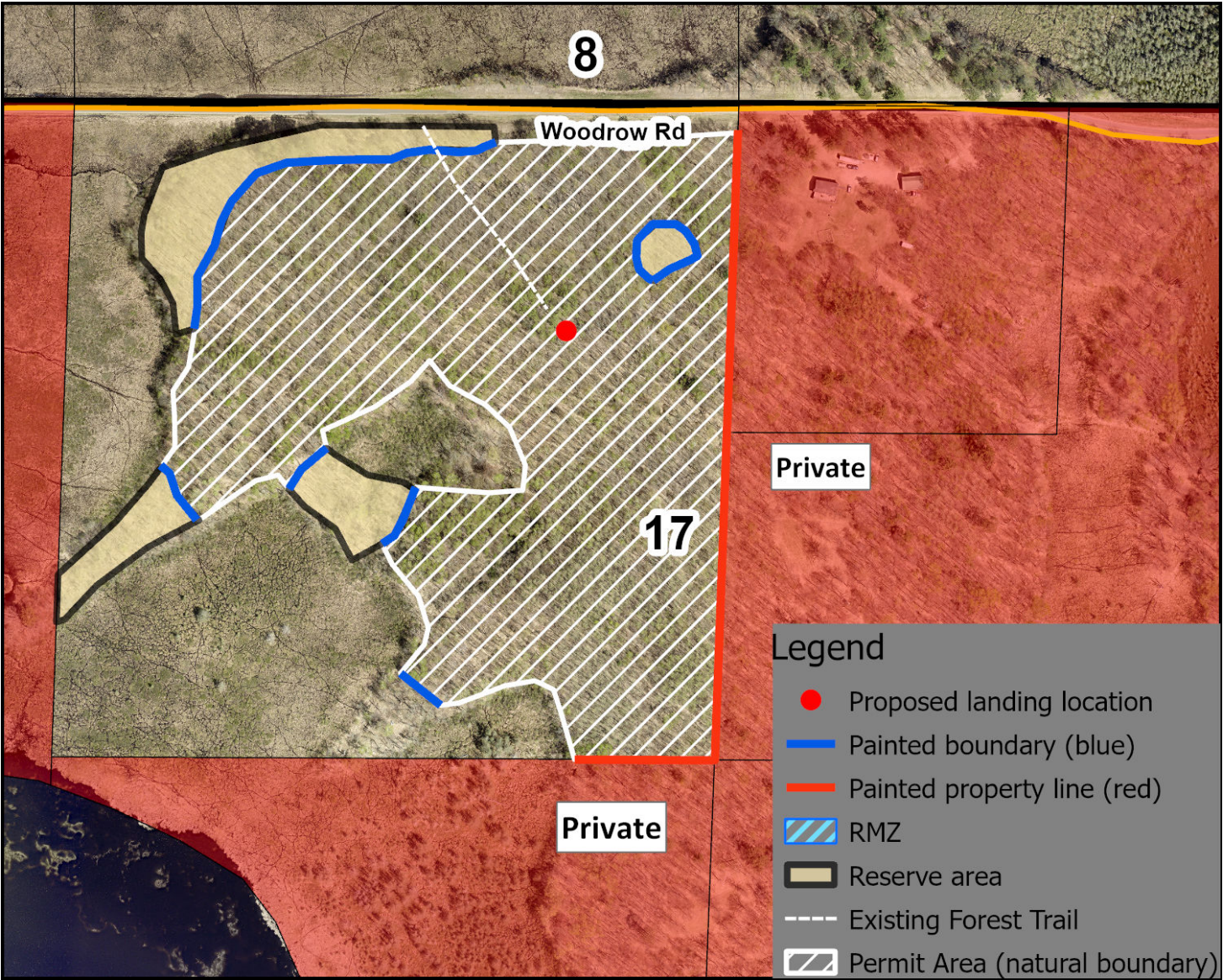
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<b>Appraised By:</b> Ben Fogarty	<b>Sale Type:</b> SEALED BID-REGULAR	<b>Appraisal Number:</b> TS250357
<b>Appraisal Date:</b> 02/03/2025	<b>Auction Date:</b> 03/28/2025	<b>Permit Number:</b>
		<b>Expiration Date:</b> 03/28/2028
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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
TF- 81330513	33	45	30	OAK LAWN	Block 1 SENW, SENE, SWNE 77%
CF- 81330520	33	45	30	OAK LAWN	Block 2 NENW, NESW, NWSW, SWNW, SESW 23%

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen		0	2000	Cords	\$26.00	\$52,000.00
Maple	X	0	230	Cords	\$12.00	\$2,760.00
Oak	X	10	80	Cords	\$22.00	\$1,760.00
Subtotal						\$56,520.00
Block 2 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen		0	610	Cords	\$26.00	\$15,860.00
Maple	X	0	20	Cords	\$12.00	\$240.00
Subtotal						\$16,100.00
Total						\$72,620.00

Total MBF: 0                      Total Cords: 2940

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price) Aspen  
Species Sold Area Estimate: Maple, Oak

Operability: Winter Harvest Frozen Ground : Dec. 1 - Mar. 15                      Soil Type: Loamy, Poorly Drained  
Topography: Level                      Cutting Acres: 98.4

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
Block 1 Harvest: Aspen, Maple and Marked Oak.
Block 1 Reserve: Blue Painted Aspen, Unmarked Oak, Birch, Conifers and Ash.
Block 2 Harvest: Aspen and Maple.
Block 2 Reserve: Blue Painted Aspen. Also, Reserve Oak, Conifers and Ash.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Use only existing access roads.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.
Some major skid trails or access roads need to be closed and/or blocked following harvesting operations at sale administrator's request.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Avoid felling timber into areas of regeneration.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appriasal map for locations.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
No cutting is allowed within RMZs on this permit.

Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
Chipping is to occur either simultaneously or during the same season as harvesting operations.
If chipping, 20% of the tops and limbs must be scattered throughout permit area per Site Level FMGs. This is in addition to incidental breakage.

Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Evidence of old barbed wire fencing found on this permit.
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Aspen 9" DBH 6 sticks, Red Maple 8" DBH 5 Sticks, Red Oak 12" DBH 5 Sticks
Biomass volume is estimated to be 885 tons for dirty chipping and 100 tons for clean chipping.



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Other Remarks

Missing scale tickets will be charged \$50.00 per ticket book. In the case where the County receives a copy of the book stub, but no copy or record of the consumer stub, the Permittee will be charged for a full truckload of timber for that species based on the average size load.

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Legal Description

RE Code	Sec.	Twp.	Rge	City/Twp	Legal Description
(TF) 67350548	35	44	28	GARRISON	NENW, SENW. SWNW, SESE, SWSE, NWSE, NWSW, NESW, SESW, Gov Lot 2

Block 1 Species	Non-Bid	Bolt %	Volume	Units	Unit Price	Value
Aspen		0	400	Cords	\$28.00	\$11,200.00
Maple		0	300	Cords	\$10.00	\$3,000.00
Basswood		20	270	Cords	\$12.00	\$3,240.00
Oak		10	220	Cords	\$19.00	\$4,180.00
Ash	X	15	90	Cords	\$9.00	\$810.00
Birch	X	0	10	Cords	\$17.00	\$170.00
Subtotal						\$22,600.00
Total						\$22,600.00
Total MBF: 0			Total Cords: 1290			

Species Scaled: (Sold subject to scale; overruns at bid price)

Species Sold Area Estimate: Ash, Aspen, Basswood, Birch, Maple, Oak

Operability:	Summer - Winter: July 15th - March 15	Soil Type:	Loamy Sand, Excessively Drained
Topography:	Rolling to Very Steep	Cutting Acres:	86.6

Harvest Specifications

Access
Access is thru public land.

Harvest and Reserves
No operations, including road and landing work will occur April 1st to July 15th due to Oak Wilt Restrictions.
Type 1 Harvest: Aspen, Birch, *Maple*, Basswood and Ash.
Type 1 Reserve: 2-3 Maple >15" DBH per acre, Oak and Conifers.
Type 2 Harvest: Aspen, painted Oak, Basswood, Maple and Ash.
Type 2 Reserve: Bur Oak and Conifers.

Landings, Access Roads, and Skid Trails
Location and construction of any new roads/landings must be pre-approved by the sale administrator.
Use only existing access roads.
Trails and landings need to be rehabilitated to a satisfactory condition before performance guarantee is returned.

Cutting, Felling, and Skidding
Utilize all timber felled during road/trail construction.
Damage exceeding 5% of the total residual trees per cutting block constitutes excessive damage and will be charged double stumpage. Damage is defined as injury to 30% or more of the crown or greater than 60 square inches of the layer beneath the bark of any tree.
Reduce stump heights to an average of 12".
Reserve all non-hazardous snags.
Do not fell timber into wetlands or across ownership boundaries.
Some steep slopes occur on this permit, which may require hand felling.

Site, Soil, and Water Protection
Temporary water/wetland crossing needed on one or more locations. Remove crossing when harvesting activity is completed.
Filter strips along wetlands require <5% soil disturbance.
RMZs along open water wetland(s) occur on this permit. See appriasal map for locations.
Incorporate water diversion practices to reduce soil erosion.
If site/soil damage becomes apparent, cease operations and contact sale administrator immediately.
No cutting is allowed within RMZs on this permit.

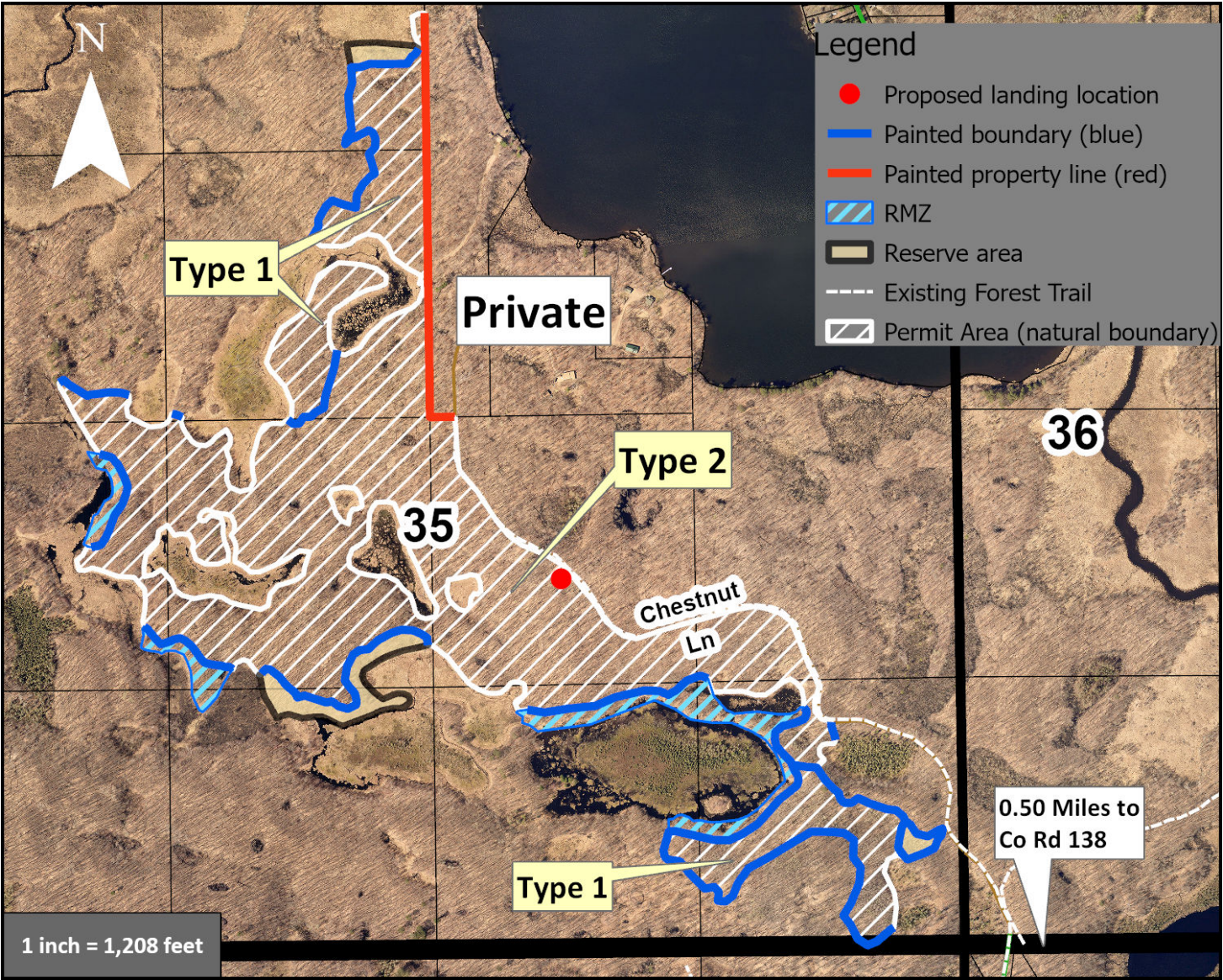
Slash Disposal
Slash may be chipped or must be scattered throughout permit area.
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Tree Size, Marketing, and Special Conditions
Timber must be removed from site by the end of the same season as harvesting operations.
Average Tree Size: Aspen 11" DBH 6 sticks, Red Oak 11" DBH 5 sticks, Basswood 12" DBH 5 sticks, Maple 10" DBH 4-5 sticks, Birch 12" DBH 5 sticks, Ash 11" DBH 5 sticks.
Biomass volume is estimated to be 387 tons.

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Bid Opening: **10:00 AM** - March 28, 2025

A percent bid in multiples of one (1) percent must be indicated for the total bid value. The bid percent you indicate will be used to determine the highest bid. ***Forfeiture of any successful bid tract will be considered forfeiture of sale. This will also result in the loss of Bid Bond and Bid Bond will not be applied to any other tracts as advance payment.*** Please indicate your bid on this sheet, fill out the information on the bottom portion of this page and return in a sealed envelope to: Crow Wing County Land Services, 322 Laurel Street, Suite 12, Brainerd, Minnesota 56401

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**Enclose your \$300.00 Bid Guarantee Check with this form.**

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TRACT #	LEGAL DESCRIPTION	APPRAISED VALUE	MINIMUM DOWN PAYMENT REQUIRED	PERCENT BID	Check Include (OFFICE USE ONLY)
1	NENE, SENE of 9-27-138	\$19,565.00	\$2,934.75		
2	SWSW, SESW, NESW, Gov Lot 6 & 7 of 7-26-138	\$50,245.00	\$7,536.75		
3	NESW, NWSW, SESW, SWNE, SWSW, SENW of 5-26-138	\$33,210.00	\$4,981.50		
4	SWNW, NWNW of 21-26-138	\$16,490.00	\$2,473.50		
5	NENW, NWNE, SW1/4 OF NE1/4, EX. PART TO STATE OF MN, SUBJ TO AN ESMNT OF RECORD AS SHOWN ON DOCUMENT #680187. of 14-26-137	\$65,750.00	\$9,862.50		
6	SWNE, SENW, SENE, SESW, NESW of 29-29-47	\$38,870.00	\$5,830.50		
7	NESW, SENW, Gov Lot 2, SWNE, NWSE of 26-30-46	\$32,010.00	\$4,801.50		
8	NENW, SENW, NENE, SWNE of 30-29-46	\$24,660.00	\$3,699.00		
9	NWNW, NENW of 5-29-45	\$10,350.00	\$1,552.50		
10	NENW of 17-29-45	\$16,290.00	\$2,443.50		
11	Block 1 SENW, SENE, SWNE 77% of 33-30-45	\$72,620.00	\$10,893.00		

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12	NENW, SENW, SWNW, SESE, SWSE, NWSE, NWSW, NESW, SESW, Gov Lot 2 of 35-28-44	\$22,600.00	\$3,390.00		
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The above represents a true and accurate bid for the desired tracts of timber. If I fail to pay the down payment within 10 days, the sale will forfeit to Crow Wing County and I will forfeit my Bid Guarantee Check. If you have any questions, please contact Land Services.

Bidder:                      Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_