

NOTICE OF SALE

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State of California - The Natural Resources Agency
Department of Forestry and Fire Protection

MERIDIAN 2017 TIMBER SALE

Sealed bids will be received until 1:30 p.m., February 1, 2017, unless notified in writing of a later date, by the Region Chief, c/o CZU - Soquel Demonstration State Forest, 4750 Soquel-San Jose Road, Soquel, California, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read, for the purchase of merchantable timber located in a portion of the Shoquel Augmentation Rancho Township 10 South, Range 1 East and Range 1 West, MDB&M, in Soquel Demonstration State Forest, approximately seven miles northeast of the town of Soquel, Santa Cruz County, California. Additional information is available on the internet at:

http://calfire.ca.gov/resource_mgt/resource_mgt_stateforests_soquel

The sale area includes approximately 220 acres with an estimated timber harvest volume of 1,583 MBF of YG redwood and 54 MBF of YG Douglas-fir for a total of 1,637 MBF estimated net volume.

Each bid must be on a form provided by the State and must state the price per thousand board feet that will be paid for redwood and Douglas-fir. The State reserves the right to reject any and all bids. Timber is to be sold on the basis of net short log scale, using the Revised Scribner Log Rule as prepared by the Northwest Log Rules Advisory Group, July 1, 1972.

Each bid must be accompanied by a certified check, cashier's check, bank draft, or money order in the amount of \$20,000.00 made payable to the California Department of Forestry & Fire Protection. Deposits of unsuccessful bidders will be returned after awarding of the sale. The deposit of the successful bidder will be applied as part of the purchase price or retained as liquidated damages if the bidder does not execute the sale agreement and furnish a faithful performance bond, certificate of deposit, or irrevocable letter of credit, for \$50,000.00 within 15 working days from acceptance of bid. The right to waive technical defect or to reject any and all bids is reserved. Bidders should obtain sample copies of the sale agreement, the timber sale bid form, assistance in inspecting the sale area, and other information from the Soquel Demonstration State Forest office in Soquel, California.

State Forest timber shall not be exported from the United States or substituted for exported private timber. State Forest timber shall not be sold to anyone who within one year prior to the bid date and one year after contract termination sells unprocessed timber which is harvested from private timberlands and is exported into foreign commerce from California.

The purchaser shall pay the California Timber Yield Tax on this timber.

Bids should be addressed: Scott Upton, Region Chief; c/o CZU - Soquel Demonstration State Forest, 4750 Soquel-San Jose Road, Soquel, California 95073; and should be in a sealed envelope plainly marked outside, "Bid, SDSF Timber Sale, Meridian 2017". Bids will be opened at 1:30 p.m., February 1, 2017. Individual bids and bidder's ability to perform will be evaluated by the Director before the sale is awarded. The sale will be awarded to the highest responsible bidder within 45 days of the bid date.

Ken Pimlott, Director
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY & FIRE PROTECTION