

Notice of Timber Harvest

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Logging contractors must request Logging & Hauling Services packets from Town Hall at 25 Broadway Street, Cathlamet WA 98612. Which may be obtained in person or online at https://www.townofcathlamet.com/bidding-roster. Packets contain parcel maps; general harvest prescriptions; pre-and-post-haul land and road requirements; and specific quote instructions and other requirements. Quotes must be submitted in writing on the prescribed Harvest Packet Forms to Town Hall by the deadline:

Quotes must be received by: November 21st, 2024, by 12:00 pm

Submit to:Town of Cathlamet
Attn: Jacquelyn Gribble
25 Broadway Street
PO Box 68
Cathlamet, WA 98612
(360) 795-3203 x4
*Faxed and electronic guotes are not allowed.

For questions or to Schedule a Walk-Thru, please contact:

Town Forester - Bill Olsen at (360) 749-1977 / billolsrn1977@gmail.com; OR Project Manager - Jacquelyn Gribble at (360) 795-3203x4 / projectmanager@townofcathlamet.com

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Project Description

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Harvest Unit Summary

Prescription/Designation:	Harvest of Douglas fir and hemlock. All trees with a DBH greater than 2
	inches which are not banded with orange paint are to be cut.
Road Plan:	Use existing road system
Unit Boundaries:	Flagged in plain pink ribbon and blue paint
Total Harvest Volume:	Approximately 900K MBF M/L

General Harvest Prescriptions

Harvest System: Mechanized falling with whole-tree skidding – landings pre-determined as shown on tract maps.

<u>Skidding:</u> Damage to the residual stand and natural regeneration is to be minimized.

Slash Piling: All landing piles must be dirt-free. Pushing of slash with skidder / dozer blades is not acceptable. All piles are to be grapple-piled only. Unacceptable slash piling will result in forfeiture of some or all of the Logger's performance bond.

Log Sort Specs: Log sorts are not yet determined but will consist of sawlogs and pulp.

Log Branding: Spray both ends of every sawlog or log with red paint – **this timber is export restricted.** For Pulp logs, only spray flush ends with a diameter greater than or equal to 10". Logging contractor is responsible for supplying red paint.

Logging Schedule: Harvest will begin near December 9th, 2024 – January 6th, 2025, upon market conditions.

<u>Pre-Haul Maintenance</u>: None. Pre-haul will be done by Town prior to logging.

<u>Road Maintenance</u>: The contractor will be responsible for final grading of road surface from the job site to the Fern Hill Road access gate upon completion of harvest. Please allow for this in the logging quote.

Equipment: Equipment is expected to be weed free; please thoroughly power wash all equipment prior to entering the project area.

Other Conditions

- **1.** Upon award of the services contract, submit a Certificate of Insurance prior to commencing work, naming Town of Cathlamet as additionally insured:
 - a.) Town of Cathlamet 25 Broadway Street Cathlamet, WA 98612
 - **b.)** Minimum insurance requirements are: Automobile Liability: combined single limit for bodily injury and property damage of \$1,000,000 per accident; and Commercial General Liability: \$1,000,000 per occurrence, \$2,000,000 general aggregate. Insurers must have an A.M. Best rating of not less than A:VII.
- 2. Provide Certificate of Workers Compensation Coverage to Town of Cathlamet prior to signing Contract.
- **3.** Execute Town of Cathlamet Services Contract and obtain a Town Business License prior to starting work.
- **4.** By signing the quote form, the logger commits price for the duration of the Services Contract if awarded.
- 5. Contractor commits to commencing work within 15 working days once the Services Contract has been signed.
- 6. The contractor will continue work in a professional manner, without delay until harvest is complete. Mandatory harvest completion date is <u>March 31st, 2025</u>.
- 7. The successful Contractor shall, at its own expense, furnish the Town, within ten (10) days of acceptance of the Services Contract, a performance bond in a form and from a surety acceptable the Town or a cash bond, in an amount equal to Twenty-five Thousand Dollars (\$25,000). Bonds shall be conditioned upon the full and faithful performance of all terms, provisions, and conditions of the Contract, and specifically upon payment for all labor and equipment used in completing the Contract work.
- 8. This contract will be awarded to the contractor which provides a *fully responsive* quote and the best value to the Town. Loggers with unsatisfactory references and/or incomplete quote forms will not be considered fully responsive. The contract will be awarded to one contractor based on the best value as defined under the following criteria: 60% cost, 20% qualification and references, 20% operational plan/timeline and equipment. The Town reserves the right to reject any and all quotes.

Driving Directions:

From State Route 4, turn North on Fern Hill Road. Follow Fern Hill Road to the end. The logging road veers off to the right at the end of the pavement, where the gate is located. The site is inside the gate in Section 8, Township 8, Range 5 West. Obtain a key from Town Forester Bill Olsen.

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*Use of ATVs is permitted for inspection of the area.

**AREA MAP AND UNIT MAPS ATTACHED

Quote Package

Sealed quotes must be delivered to the Cathlamet Town Hall by the above deadline. Quotes received after this date and time will not be considered. Quotes must be in a sealed envelope labeled "**TOC Timber Harvest 2024**".

Each item in the following outline must be included within the quote package response. You may use the prescribed forms for items 1 through 5 or submit your own; but must use the prescribed form for item 6.

Outline:

- **1.** Name of the Company, organization of the company and Owner;
- **2.** Statement of Qualifications;
- **3.** Operating Plan which includes a timeline for completing this project;
- 4. List of Equipment to be used on this project;
- 5. References Please provide 3 business references for which work has been performed within the last 3 years;
- **6.** Logging and Hauling Quote form.

*** Fax and email submittals are not allowed***

Thank you for your interest in this project!

LOGGING & HAULING QUOTE FORM

Town of Cathlamet Timber Harvest – 2024-2025

The Town of Cathlamet reserves the right to reject any or all quotes.

By signing this quote form, the Logger commits to the price for the duration of the Services Contract if awarded to the Logger.

COMPANY:			
ADDRESS:			
TELEPHONE:			
EMAIL:			
NAME/TITLE:			
SIGNATURE:			
	ON BOARD TRUCK QUOTES		
	All species sawlogs:	per MBF	
	All species pulp:	per ton	

Trucking will be determined and negotiated between Logger and the Town Forester, with rates to be set by Town Forester using standard state guidelines.

Operating Plan which includes a timeline for completing this project:

List of Equipment to be used on this project:

<u>References – 3 business references for which work was performed within the last 3 years:</u>

Company Name	<u>Phone</u>	Work Last Performed
1		
2		
3		
4		
5		
6		