

## Timber Sale Invitation to Bid

### Riddle Harvest

This is an invitation to place a lump sum bid for a **22 acre** timber sale located on an 29 acre property NE1/4 of NW ¼ of section 35, T18N R1E, Gladwin County, Michigan. The land is owned by Mr. Harry and Brenda Riddle. The timber sale is administered by Metcalfe Forestry. All bids must be turned in to Metcalfe Forestry before **5 pm Wednesday, July 11<sup>th</sup>**. Metcalfe Forestry reserves the right to refuse any and all bids. Bid results will be available for all interested bidders. Please mail / fax / email all inquiries and bids to the address listed at the top of this page.

Harvest all aspen, ash, white birch and red maple that are NOT marked with green paint.  
Harvest the small patch of spruce north of the house.  
Do not cut oaks, red pine or cedar or trees marked with green paint.

Sale is approximately 6 miles SE of the intersection of M61 and M30. The property can be accessed from Highwood Rd. Refer to attached maps for further location information.

The terrain on this property is low and flat. It is seasonally wet and harvest operations should be planned accordingly.

Payment: Ten percent of the sale value is to be paid up front within ten days of **when the contract is signed**. The harvest can be split into payment units and each unit must be paid in full before beginning harvest operations.

Performance Guarantee: The buyer will be required to provide a performance guarantee in cash, check, or an irrevocable letter of credit from a bank for **\$2,000.00 to be paid up front when the contract is signed**.

Insurance: Prior to the start of any logging or road building, the buyer shall provide proof of Worker's Compensation Insurance as required by law, and Liability Insurance coverage in the amounts of \$250,000 per person and \$500,000 per incident. The buyer shall maintain this required insurance until completion of all logging activities on the property.

Volume Estimates: Volumes were determined by cruising 21 sample points with a 10 factor prism. All pulpwood was measured to a 4" top and sawlogs to an 11" top outside the bark, boltwood/spec wood to an 7" top outside bark. All products were measured 100 inches long. The tops of sawlog trees are included in the estimated pulpwood volume. The cruised volume estimate is calculated to have a statistical margin of error of plus or minus 22%.

**Please note: Most of the ash appears to be recently dead but still sound, or not yet completely dead.**

## **Riddle Harvest Summary 22 acres**

**Harvest Boundaries;** are marked in **Red** paint.

**Timber to be harvested:**

Harvest all aspen, balsam poplar, ash, white birch, balsam fir, and red maple that are NOT marked with green paint.

Harvest the small patch of spruce north of the house.

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**Special Considerations:**

- Purchaser will create brush piles scattered throughout the harvest area in order to improve the habitat for wildlife.
- Whole tree skidding **IS** permitted on this sale.
- Purchaser shall take reasonable precautions to minimize unnecessary or excessive rutting. Excessive rutting is defined as ruts that are more than 12 inches deep and continue for more than 50 feet. The soils are wet and easily rutted during wet weather conditions; harvest operations should drive on tree tops to reduce rutting and should only occur during dry or frozen ground conditions.
- All saplings that are severely damaged or bent over during the harvest must cut down.

**Harvest Timeframe:** Timber harvesting operations must be completed by **October 1, 2020**. Harvesting timber **during hunting season IS NOT** allowed, between November 15 and November 30. Harvesting during wet conditions (spring & fall rains, etc) is not allowed. Cleanup operations must be done within two months of the end of harvest operations, or as soon as weather conditions allow.

**Riddle Log Harvest, 22 ACRES**

Please use the following format to place your bid. The following volumes are not guaranteed by the Seller or Metcalfe Forestry Co.

**Company Name:**

The following is my lump sum bid for the Riddle Log Harvest. I have read and agree to the specific work requirements as written in the timber sale invitation to bid.

Aspen	Logs	38 cords	\$ _____
Red Maple	Logs	22 cords	\$ _____
Aspen	Bolts	57 cords	\$ _____
Red Maple	Bolts	32 cords	\$ _____
Spruce/fir	Bolts	11 cords	\$ _____
Spruce/fir	Pulp	16 cords	\$ _____
Mixed Hardwoods	Pulp	75 cords	\$ _____
Aspen	Pulp	160 cords	\$ _____
Ash	Pulp	7 Cords	\$ _____

**TOTAL LUMP SUM BID** \$ \_\_\_\_\_

These bid prices are final and not subject to adjustment. Prospective bidders are urged to examine the timber sale before bidding. I understand that the estimated volume and grade of timber designated for cutting and removal is in no way guaranteed by the Seller or Metcalfe Forestry Co.

I understand that any and all bids may be rejected.

Bidder's name & signature: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone # / fax #: \_\_\_\_\_

Bidder's mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Bidder's email: \_\_\_\_\_

# T18N R1E Hays Township



