

Good Neighbor Authority
Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources
 Lakewood / Laona Ranger District
 Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest

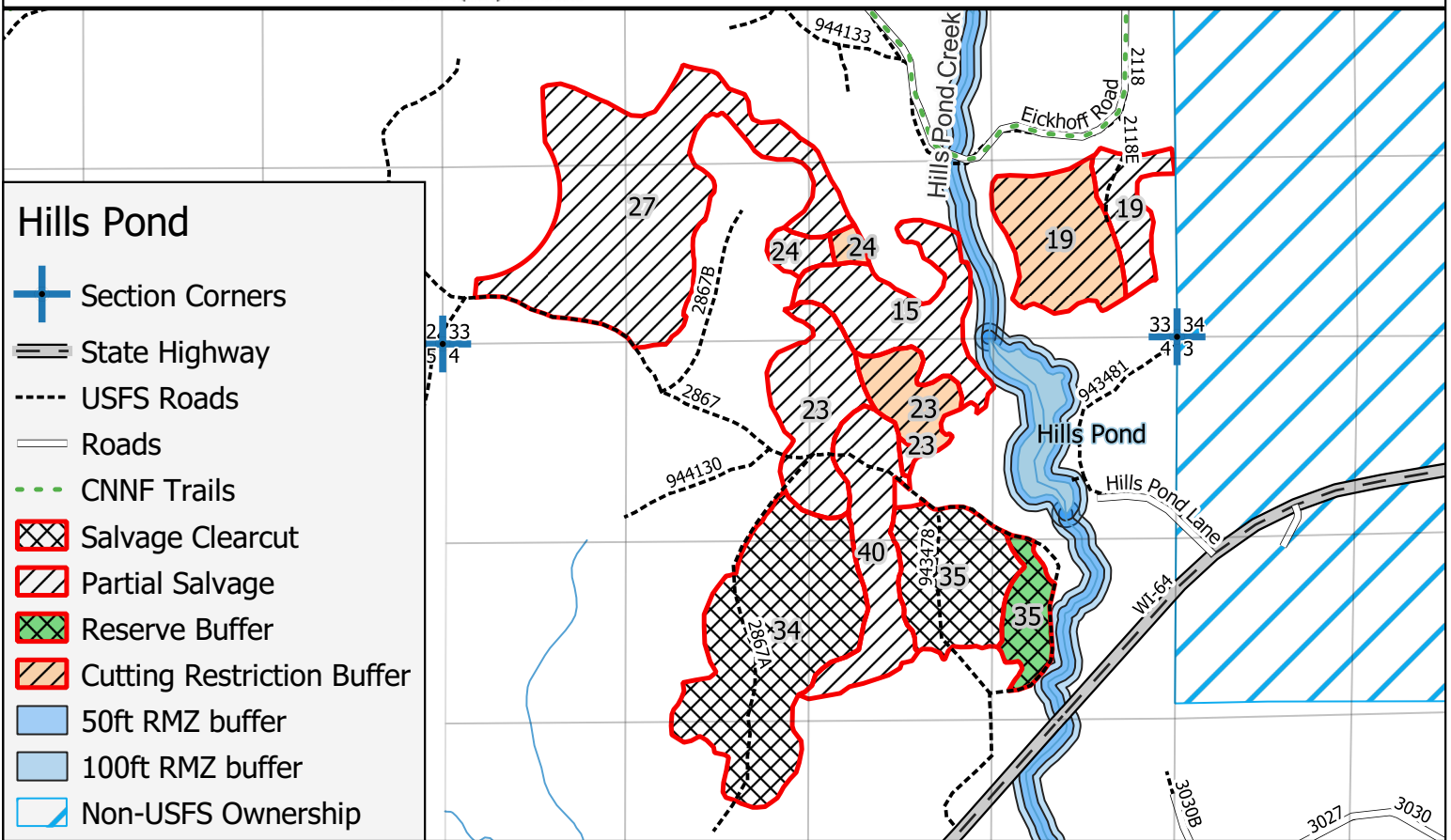
Hills Pond Sale
 Tract No.: 8005-06-23
 Partial Salvage Stands: 15, 19, 24,
 27, 23, 40 – 145 acres
 Clearcut Stands: 34 and 35 – 66 acres
 Total Acres - 211



T32N., R15E., Sec. 33
 T31N., R15E., Sec. 4
 Oconto County, WI

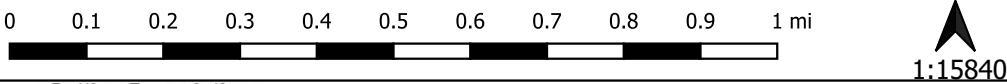
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**This map is not a survey of the
 actual boundary of any property
 this map depicts*



Hills Pond

- Section Corners
- State Highway
- USFS Roads
- Roads
- CNNF Trails
- Salvage Clearcut
- Partial Salvage
- Reserve Buffer
- Cutting Restriction Buffer
- 50ft RMZ buffer
- 100ft RMZ buffer
- Non-USFS Ownership



Cutting Prescription

- Salvage Cut (Partial) Stands 4153- 15, 19, 23, 24, 27, 40 (145 acres)**
 - In areas of heaviest blowdown larger than ½ acre and where few trees remain undamaged, cut all stems 1" and larger except reserve trees. These areas will serve as regeneration patches and should not be expanded into areas of mostly undamaged trees.
 - In all other areas, remove all down, root sprung, tipped (over 10% lean), bent over, broken off or badly damaged trees. Stay out of unimpacted areas, and areas containing larger amounts of pine/oak regeneration.

- Salvage Clearcut Stand 4153-34, 35 (66 acres)**
 - Cut all trees greater than 1-inch diameter, except designated reserve trees/patches. Outside of reserve patches all non-merchantable stems 1-5" must be severed by the logging contractor.

Reserve Areas

- Using groups of mostly undamaged, healthy timber, designate one reserve patch for every 4 acres (6 patches for stand 35 and 10 patches for stand 34). At a minimum these patches should span the length of a log truck, while not exceeding ½ acre in size. Focus on creating reserve patches around dominant white pine, red oak, and red pine. Operators should make every effort not to enter these areas with equipment.
- All undamaged merchantable Oak, Maple, and Conifer shall be reserved in the designated 450ft trout stream buffer.

Leave Tree Priority All Stands

- In areas of mainly blow down, reserve all snags, and live den trees unless they pose a safety concern. A maximum of 10 snags per acre is desired. If there is a shortage of existing snags, try to leave scattered aspen or other short-lived species to provide cavity trees and forage areas for wildlife and for future snag development.

Tree Marking and Boundary Designation Methods

No paint markings are associated with this sale.

- Areas on map with orange fill have a harvest restriction. Harvesting not allowed from April 1st - October 1st.
- Reserve trees are designated by prescription
- Digital boundaries are provided by the DNR for use with Avenza app on smartphones; GIS files are also available for loading into processor computer systems. Purchaser is responsible for ensuring purchaser Representative, Field Representatives, and equipment operators are equipped with the appropriate means to follow digital boundaries. Operations without the appropriate means to follow digital boundaries may be approved only by written agreement

General Sale Conditions:

- Do not harvest trees or operate equipment across boundary lines.
- Equipment must be cleaned before entering or leaving sale area to prevent the introduction/spread of invasive plant species.
- A 100 ft RMZ zone has been established along the edge of Hills Pond and Hills's Pond creek. No equipment is allowed within 50 ft of the ordinary high-water mark, Purchaser may reach in, and harvest blow down if the stems are able to be dropped and dragged back into the cutting unit without entering the 50 ft no entry area with equipment. Goal is to leave 60 sq.ft. basal area within the RMZ zone of residual timber.



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Hills Pond Sale- Prospectus
Tract No.: 8005-06-23
211 Acres

Location: Oconto, WI

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|-----|------|----|----------------------|
| 32N | R15E | 33 | S½ |
| 31N | R15E | 4 | NE¼, E½ NW¼, NE¼ SW¼ |

The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources encourages potential bidders to make their own inspection and estimate prior to bid submission. The Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources makes no representation, warranty, or guarantee of the accuracy of the following estimates:

Estimated Volumes and Values

| Species | Tons | MBF |
|---|--------------|----------|
| Aspen | 4,000 | 0 |
| Mixed Hardwood (MX)* | 2,500 | 0 |
| Mixed Conifer (CX)** | 1,250 | 0 |
| Red Oak | 650 | 0 |
| TOTALS | 8,400 | 0 |
| Minimum Acceptable Bid: \$30,470 | | |

*Mixed Hardwood Product class contains several species including sugar and red maple, basswood, white and yellow birch, ash, cherry, and beech. Percentages of these species have been omitted due to the blown down condition of the sale.

**Mixed Conifer Product class contains white pine, red pine, spruce, balsam fir, tamarack, and any incidental cedar. Percentages of these species have been omitted due to the blown down condition of the sale.

Volume estimates for this sale were made using historic data from similar stands in close proximity of the sale. No data was collected from within the timber sale due to safety concerns. The estimated volume was adjusted to reflect the anticipated loss of volume due to the time lost for operations on this sale

This sale is in urgent need of harvesting. It is recommended that the Purchaser begin harvesting this sale as soon as possible to minimize volume loss. In order to facilitate the harvest of high-risk timber on this sale, Contract Term Adjustment may be considered for green sales the Purchaser may hold on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest, or any salvage sales they may hold with the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources. A showing of impact on these sales is a prerequisite to granting a Contract Term Adjustment. The number of days granted shall be determined on a case-by-case review and shall reflect the time lost for operations on this sale.

Sale Conditions:

- Mill Scale Sale
- No bid bond required
- A performance bond of 15% of the total sale bid value required
- The cutting area is approximately **211 acres**

- The contract period is 2 years (December 31, 2024)
- Digital boundaries are provided by the DNR for use with Avenza app on smartphones; GIS files are also available for loading into processor computer systems. Purchaser is responsible for ensuring Purchaser Representative, Field Representatives, and equipment operators are equipped with the appropriate means to follow digital boundaries. Operations without the appropriate means to follow digital boundaries may be approved only by written agreement.
- Do not harvest trees, drop slash, or operate equipment outside of sale boundaries
- No cutting or skidding in reserve areas
- Damage to any residual trees will not be tolerated
- Leave all standing snag and den trees that do not pose a safety hazard uncut
- Utilization will be to a 4" top
- All slash shall be lopped and scattered as it lies within 2' of the ground.

Cutting Prescription:

Partial Salvage Cut Area: Stands 4153 – 15, 19, 27, 24, 23, 40 (145 Acres)

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In all other areas, remove all down, root sprung, tipped (over 10% lean), bent over, broken off or badly damaged trees. Stay out of unimpacted areas, and areas containing larger amounts of pine/oak regeneration.

Salvage Clearcut Area: Stands 4153-34, 35 (66 Acres)

Cut all trees greater than 1-inch diameter, except designated reserve trees/patches. Outside of reserve patches, all non-merchantable stems 1-5" must be severed by the logging contractor.

Reserve Areas:

- Using groups of mostly undamaged, healthy timber, designate one reserve patch for every 4 acres (10 patches stand 34 and 6 in stand 35). At a minimum these patches should span the length of a log truck, while not exceeding ½ acre in size. Focus on creating reserve patches around dominant white pine, red oak, and red pine. Operators should make every effort not to enter these areas with equipment.
- All undamaged merchantable oak, Maple, and Conifer shall be reserved in the designated 450 ft. trout stream buffer (Stand 35)

Leave Tree Priority: All Stands

- In areas of mainly blow down, reserve all snags and live den trees unless they pose a safety concern. A maximum of 10 snags per acre is desired. If there is a shortage of existing snags, try to leave scattered aspen or other short-lived species to provide cavity trees and forage areas for wildlife and for future snag development.

Special Conditions:

- **NO SALE MAY BEGIN WITHOUT PRIOR NOTIFICATION AND AN ON-SITE MEETING WITH A WISCONSIN DNR SALE ADMINISTRATOR**
- Purchaser required to post signs on USFS roads alerting recreationalists of logging activities.
- Equipment must be cleaned before entering and leaving sale area to prevent the introduction/spread of invasive species.
- All pine products cut between May 1 and September 1 must be removed from the sale area within three weeks from time of cutting. Pine products cut during the remainder of the year must be removed prior to May 1 of each year.
- Do not deck wood on inside road curves, where it could obscure oncoming traffic.

- The harvesting of any portion of a tree that lies outside the physical ownership of the Forest Service will not be allowed. Trees lying across the property line must be bucked at the ownership line and all portions of the tree that reside on the private side of the line must be left in place. Conversely, the remaining portion of the tree that lies within the physical ownership of the Forest Service may be harvested and utilized.
- Within a 10' wide strip from the edge of the opening along all private property boundaries, forest roads, county roads, and forest trails all slash resulting from Purchaser's operations shall be removed.
- Chequamegon-Nicolet Forest Plan requires that all native surfaced approaches to paved or graveled roads have 100 ft. of gravel, 6 in. deep, 12 ft. wide put down when used during non-frozen conditions.
- A 100 ft RMZ zone has been established along the edge of Hills Pond and Hills's Pond creek. No equipment is allowed within 50 ft of the ordinary high-water mark, Purchaser may reach in and harvest blow down if the stems are able to be dropped and dragged back into the cutting unit without entering the 50 ft no entry area with equipment. Goal is to leave 60 sq.ft. basal area within the RMZ zone of residual timber.
- Portions of stands (19,23,24) lie within a wood turtle zone. Harvest timeframe restrictions are in place and are designated with orange on the map. Cutting and skidding may only take place between October 1st and April 1st. Restrictions in Stand 15 have been waived due to higher percentages of damage within this stand.
- All undamaged merchantable Oak, Maple, and Conifer shall be reserved in the designated 450ft trout stream buffer in stand 35. The zone is designated with green on the map.
- The location and clearing widths of all temporary roads and landings shall be agreed to in writing before construction is started. "Temporary Roads" are roads other than Specified Roads that are constructed by Purchaser for the purpose of harvesting included timber.
- When two or more commercial users are simultaneously using the same road, the commercial users will develop maintenance responsibilities and arrangements for accomplishing the work. Seller must agree to this plan. If the commercial users cannot agree on maintenance responsibilities, seller shall resolve the differences.
- The following roads will be decommissioned after use and closed with a berm. Berms must be constructed at designated locations by DNR Sale Administrator and shall be created using the following design features: Berms must be at least four feet in height and must be made with dirt mixed with rocks, stumps, logs, root-wads, or slash and shall be created without creating a defined trench.
 - **Roads 2867**

Road Restrictions List

| Road Number | Road Name | Termini | | Map Legend | Description of Restrictions |
|-------------|-----------|---------------|------------|------------|--|
| | | From | To | | |
| 2867A | | 2867 | End of Use | R | 1. Used only during surface firm or frozen conditions. |
| 2118E | | Eickhoff Road | | | |
| 2867 | | Hwy 64 | | | |
| 943478 | | 2867 | | | |
| 2867B | | 2867 | | | |

Road Maintenance Requirements Summary

Purchaser shall maintain roads, commensurate with Purchaser's use. Roads must be left in as good or better condition than existed prior to harvest. Performance of road maintenance work by Purchaser may be required prior to, during, or after each period of use. The timing of work accomplishment shall be based on Purchaser's operating schedule and road conditions. Specific required road maintenance specifications are included below.

Purchaser shall maintain roads in accordance with the following Contract Road Maintenance Requirements Summary:

| Road | Termini | | Miles | Timing: - Pre-haul - During - Post haul | Applicable Road Maintenance Specifications | | | | | | | |
|--------|---------------|------------|-------|--|--|------|------|--|--|--|--|--|
| | From | To | | | 8110 | 8420 | 8130 | | | | | |
| 2867 | Hwy 64 | End of Use | 1.5 | Pre-Haul During Post Haul | X | X | X | | | | | |
| 2867A | 2867 | End of Use | 0.50 | Pre-Haul During Post Haul | X | X | X | | | | | |
| 2118E | Eickhoff Road | End of Use | 0.15 | Pre-Haul During Post Haul | X | X | X | | | | | |
| 943478 | 2876 | End of Use | 0.10 | Pre-Haul During Post Haul | X | X | X | | | | | |
| 2867B | 2867 | End of Use | 0.28 | Pre-Haul During Post Haul | X | X | X | | | | | |

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| Specification No. | Specification Title |
| T-8110 | Maintenance Blading/Grading |
| T-8420 | Cutting Roadway Vegetation |
| T-8130 | Spot Surface Course Placement/Replenishment |

T-8110: Maintenance Blading/Grading is keeping an aggregate surfaced Roadbed in a condition to facilitate traffic and provide proper drainage. It includes maintaining the Crown, Inslope or Outslope of the Traveled Way, Turnouts, and Shoulder; repairing Berms; blending approach road intersections; and cleaning Drainage Dips and Lead-off Ditches.

T-8420: This work includes removal of brush, trees and other vegetative growth from within the clearing limits. This may include brush mowing of shoulders to prevent larger growth which would inhibit travel in the future.

T-8130: This work includes subgrade preparation, furnishing, hauling, spreading, and shaping materials in accordance with USFS requirements. Only commercial sources of aggregate will be accepted, except surfacing material may also be purchased from the government, where available, by filling out a form, 2600, paying the required fees, and obtaining a permit.

Notice: Completion of this form is mandatory. The Department will not recognize your bid unless you complete and submit this form. Personal information collected will be used for program administration and may be provided to requesters as required by Wisconsin's Public Records law [ss. 19.31-19.39, Wis. Stats.].

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| Date |
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| Bidder Name |
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|----------------|------|-------|----------|
| Street Address | City | State | ZIP Code |
|----------------|------|-------|----------|

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| Property Name (if any) Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest - Lakewood - Laona District | Timber Sale Name Hills Pond | Tract Number 8005-06-23 |
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| Date and Hour of Bid Opening 09/15/2022 1:30 PM | Minimum Acceptable Bid (optional) \$30,470.00 |
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| Species-All bids including Lump Sum bids must be by species | Utilization Specifications (4 inch/Whole Tree/Logs) | Estimated Volume | Volume Units (tons/cords/mbf) | Price Bid Per Unit | Total Bid Value on Estimated Volume |
|--|--|---------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Aspen Pulp | Pulp | 4,000 | T | | |
| Mixed Hardwood (MX) | Pulp | 2,500 | T | | |
| Mixed Conifer (CX) | Pulp | 1,250 | T | | |
| Red Oak | Pulp | 650 | T | | |

The award shall be based on this TOTAL BID AMOUNT:

Performance Bond

Will be in the form of: (select one)

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|--|---|
| <input type="radio"/> Personal Check | <input type="radio"/> Assurance Bond |
| <input type="radio"/> Certified Check/Money Order | <input type="radio"/> Certificate of Deposit |
| <input type="radio"/> Irrevocable Letter of Credit | <input type="radio"/> Assignment of Savings Account |

I understand that any or all bids may be rejected and that consideration and awarding of a contract will be based upon my past performance and ability to complete contracts. **I also understand that if I am the winning bidder, I have 6 weeks from the date of the bid opening to submit an acceptable performance bond. I also understand that if I am awarded the contract and fail to execute it or work under it, I will be required to forfeit to the Department an amount equal to 10% of my total bid amount.** Failure to forfeit the 10% penalty will result in being considered ineligible to bid on any state timber sales for a two-year duration. In the event the highest bidder can not or will not sign the contract, the award may be made to the next highest qualified bid.

By checking this box, I certify that I hold a Wisconsin Master Logger Certification.

Notice: I understand:

Utilization specifications and estimated volumes are listed in the prospectus which is available upon request from the Department.

A copy of the standard timber sales contract which must be entered into is available upon request from the Department.

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| Signature of Bidder |
| Bidder's Name (Please Print or Type) |
| Phone Number (include area code) |
| Email Address |