

Timber Sale Invitation to Bid

Stratton Harvest

This is an invitation to place a lump sum bid for a **60 acre** timber sale located on a 71 acre property in within the S½ NW ¼ excluding 10 acres on Klender Rd of section 36, T18N R2E, Grim Township, Gladwin County, Michigan. The land is owned by Adam Stratton and Bailey Stevenson. The timber sale is administered by Metcalfe Forestry. All bids must be turned in to Metcalfe Forestry before **5 pm Wednesday, July 11th**. 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 and paper birch trees.

Harvest all trees marked with orange

Do not harvest hemlock, white pine, cedar, beech or trees marked in green.

The property is located approximately 4 miles SW from the little town of Bentley, Michigan. The property can be accessed from Klender Rd off of Grim Rd. Refer to attached maps for further location information.

The harvest area is mostly flat. The soils are heavy and easily rutted, especially during wet conditions. Care will need to be taken to minimize rutting by driving on tops and operating when conditions are dry. There are many small water features on the property. Larger ones have been red lined and are excluded from the sale.

The landing location shown on the map may be seasonally wet. If the landing is too wet to use during the harvest, then wood can be stacked alongside the driveway and on the trail that connects the driveway and landing. The driveway must be maintained in good condition for a 2-wheeled drive vehicle at all times.

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 **\$2,500.00 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: Sawlog volumes for red oak were determined by measuring 100% of the log trees being harvested. Red pine volumes were 100% tallied as well. All other volumes were determined by cruising 55 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 to be 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 **13%**.

Please note: All Ash is dead

Stratton Harvest Summary 60 acres

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

Gate Combination: None

Timber to be harvested:

- Harvest all aspen, ash and white birch trees as well as trees marked with orange paint. Do not cut or damage beech, hemlock, or cedar.
- Cut all trees marked in **Orange**. These include black/pin oak, red maple and red pine.
- During the harvest the forester will request that the loggers clear shrubs that are mixed with pockets of aspen in order to encourage aspen regeneration. This will only be done in isolated spots where most of the trees are being harvested.

Special Considerations:

- Purchaser will create brush piles scattered throughout the harvest area in order to improve the habitat for wildlife.
- Whole tree skidding **IS NOT** 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 heavy, weak 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.
- Locations for main skid trails have been indicated on the harvest map.
- 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 1st, 2020**. No harvest operations can occur between April 15th and July 15th due to *slippage/ oak wilt* season. Harvesting timber during **hunting season IS NOT** allowed, between Nov 15th and Nov 30th. Cleanup operations must be done within two months of the end of harvest operations, or as soon as weather conditions allow.

Stratton Harvest, 60 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 Stratton Log Harvest. I have read and agree to the specific work requirements as written in the timber sale invitation to bid.

		International 1/4 "	
Red Oak	Logs	13.4 MBF	\$ _____
Aspen	Logs	353 Cords	\$ _____
Red Maple	Logs	71 cords	\$ _____
Black Oak	Logs	5 cords	\$ _____
Red Pine	Logs	14 cords	\$ _____
Aspen	Bolts	215 cords	\$ _____
Mix Hwd	Bolts	85 cords	\$ _____
Oak	Pulp	55cords	\$ _____
Aspen	Pulp	460 cords	\$ _____
Mixed Hwd	Pulp	196 cords	\$ _____
Dead Ash	Pulp	91cords	\$ _____
Red Pine	Pulp	2 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: _____

Bidder's email: _____

Stratton Timberlands

S1/2 of NW 1/4 exp. 10 acres in NW corner
of Section 36
T18N-R2E
Grim S Township
Gladwin County, MI



Legend

- Landing:
- Trail:
- Wet Area:
- Harvest Boundary:
- Property Boundary:

Klender Dr

Enter Here

Map created May 2018
by Metcalfe Forestry
This is not a survey map



