

## NOTICE OF SALE

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

### FERN GULCH TIMBER SALE

Sealed bids will be received until 1:30 p.m., March 27, 2012, unless notified in writing of a later date, by the Region Chief, Bill Holmes, c/o CAL FIRE-CZU, Soquel Demonstration State Forest Headquarters, 4750 Soquel-San Jose Road, Soquel, CA 95073, at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read, for the purchase of merchantable timber located in parts of the Soquel Augmentation Rancho, Township 10 South, Range 1 West, MDB&M, in the Soquel Demonstration State Forest approximately seven (7) air miles north-northeast of the town of Soquel, Santa Cruz County, California. Additional information (Sample Agreement and summary of sale information) is available on the internet at [http://www.fire.ca.gov/resource\\_mgt/resource\\_mgt\\_stateforests\\_soquel.php](http://www.fire.ca.gov/resource_mgt/resource_mgt_stateforests_soquel.php). The sale area includes approximately 201 acres with an estimated timber volume to be cut as follows:

Species	Estimated Net Volume (MBF)
Redwood	2,500
Douglas Fir	73
Totals	2,573

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. No minimum bid price is established. 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 forty thousand dollars (\$40,000) 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 forty thousand dollars (\$40,000.00) within 10 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, instructions for submission of bids, assistance in inspecting the sale area, and other information from the Soquel Demonstration State Forest office at 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: Bill Holmes, Region Chief, c/o CAL FIRE-CZU, Soquel Demonstration State Forest Headquarters, 4750 Soquel- San Jose Road, Soquel, CA 95073; and should be in a sealed envelope plainly marked outside, "Bid, Soquel Demonstration State Forest Timber Sale, Fern Gulch THP." Bids shall be opened at 1:30 p.m., March 27, 2012. 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 10 days of the bid date.

Ken Pimlott, Director  
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