

**DEPARTMENT OF FORESTRY AND FIRE PROTECTION**

Soquel Demonstration State Forest
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**PROSPECTIVE TIMBER PURCHASER:**

The California Department of Forestry and Fire Protection's Soquel Demonstration State Forest (SDSF) will be offering the following timber sale: Fern Gulch Timber Sale (201 acres), approximately 2,573 MBF (net), on August 1, 2011. The Fern Gulch Timber Sale is located in parts of the Soquel Augmentation Rancho, Township 10 South, Range 1 West, MDB&M.

This notice, as well as a NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE, BID FORM, a general LOCATION MAP and the SAMPLE TIMBER SALE AGREEMENT is available via the internet: http://www.fire.ca.gov/resource_mgt/resource_mgt_stateforests_soquel.php. Please note that the Timber Sale Agreement is in draft form as CAL FIRE is reviewing it and the existing language may be modified.

The minimum bid rate per thousand board feet for redwood is \$325. The fixed price for Douglas-fir is \$20 per thousand board feet (73 MBF). A selection harvest will be implemented. Timber volume within the sale area has been estimated by tally of the trees marked for harvest. Sale acreage has been determined from the map, and trees selected for harvest have been marked with blue paint at DBH and Stump.

A copy of the THP is available via the internet:
ftp://thp.fire.ca.gov/THPLibrary/North_Coast_Region/THPs2009/1-09-096SCR/

We are planning on having a one-day pre-bid field tour on July 15, 2011. The meeting time and location is 9:00 a.m. at the Soquel Demonstration State Forest office located at 4750 Soquel-San Jose Road, Soquel CA 95073.

If you would like more information and/or are planning on attending the field tour, please contact Sale Officer Ed Orre at 831-475-8643. Please RSVP for the field tour.

Sincerely,

John Ferreira
CZU Unit Chief