

**GRAFTON COUNTY FARM
NORTH HAVERHILL, N.H.**

NOTICE OF TIMBER SALE

INTRODUCTION

The following described timber is marked for harvest and is now offered for sale by the Grafton County Farm. The woodlot is located at the Grafton County Farm Woodlands on the east side of Dartmouth College Highway, NH Route 10, North Haverhill, New Hampshire, across from the Grafton County Complex.

I. DATE AND AREA

The Grafton County Board of Commissioners will be opening bids on **July 2, 2024** at the Grafton County Administrative Offices, for marked standing timber located on 60± acres of the County Farm, North Haverhill, New Hampshire. The area is located on the County Woodlands which is accessed using a gravel woods road located directly adjacent to the Grafton County farm stand on NH Route 10. Location of marked timber is on the north and east side of the hayfields at the end of this road, approximately 1.4 miles into the woodlot. **Dates of timber cutting contract shall be from July 15 to December 31, 2024.**

II. TIMBER SHOWING

There will be a timber sale showing on **Thursday June 13, 2024.** Prospective Bidders and interested parties will meet in the parking lot of the Grafton County Farm Stand at **9:00 a.m.** The Farm Stand is on the east side of NH Route 10, across from the Grafton County Complex.

III. SPECIES AND ESTIMATED VOLUMES

Sawlogs

White Pine	79.750 mbf
White Pine Pallet	29.550 mbf
Spruce and Fir	2.995 mbf
Hemlock	11.700 mbf

Total Softwood 123.995 mbf

Red Oak	9.135 mbf
White Ash	3.275 mbf
Red Maple	6.458 mbf
Other Hardwoods (SM, PB, YB, BC)	3.000 mbf
Mat logs	3.970 mbf
Hardwood tie/pallet	<u>15.630 mbf</u>

Total Hardwood 41.468 mbf

Pulpwood / Biomass

Hardwood	687.540 Tons
Hemlock Pulp	145.240 Tons
Pine Pulp	107.080 Tons
Softwood (Spruce / Fir)	54.100 Tons

Total Tons 993.96 Tons

All marked and tallied Pulpwood is considered anything not suitable for saw timber tally down to four (4) inches DBH and can be considered pulp, firewood, biomass, or any other non-saw timber use. **All volumes are estimates by the County Extension Forester and are not guaranteed.** Prospective bidders should examine the property to determine volumes and operating conditions for themselves. Actual volumes shall be determined by mill tally, International ¼" Rule or weight scale.

Description of harvest area and trees to be cut

Trees to be cut are marked with a slash or band of orange paint. Only trees marked with an orange slash or band are to be cut. An orange "X" denotes Do Not Cut. There are trees with faded blue paint – These are not to be cut unless marked with a slash or band of orange paint.

Flagging key:

- Blue flagging denotes a buffer along streams, wetlands, or vernal pools
- Pink flagging marks skidder/forwarder trails
- Orange flagging or three painted stripes indicate the property boundary
- Three vertical flags/ribbons indicate the end of a skid trail

IV. PERFORMANCE REQUIREMENTS

The purchaser shall be required to enter into a written **Timber Sale Agreement**, a copy of which will be available at the Timber Showing. The term of said Agreement shall expire **December 31, 2024.**

Purchaser shall be required to file "Intent to cut" and "Report of Timber Cut" forms, and shall be liable for yield tax payable to Town of North Haverhill, N.H.

Purchaser shall carry **liability insurance** with minimum coverage of \$1,000,000 bodily injury and \$1,000,000 property damage; purchaser shall carry **Workmen's Compensation Insurance** as required by law. Purchaser must furnish current proof or certificate of insurance at contract signing.

By the authorization of the Grafton County Board of Commissioners, this timber sale shall be administered and supervised by the University of New Hampshire Cooperative Extension /Grafton County Forester.

V. PERFORMANCE DEPOSIT

The purchaser shall provide a **performance bond deposit** in the amount of \$5,000 (cashier's check only), payable to the Grafton County Farm, to be held by the Grafton County Administration. Said deposit shall be forfeited by the purchaser, as payment for damages caused by purchaser in violation of the Timber Sale Agreement, or, upon satisfactory completion of the terms of the Agreement, shall be returned in full to the purchaser. **The \$5,000 cashier's check shall be mailed with your bid. No bids will be accepted without the \$5,000 cashier's check. All non-successful bidders will have their checks returned immediately after the bid opening.**

VI. BIDDING PROCEDURE

Bidding and stumpage payments will be on a "Per- Thousand Board Feet", and "Per- Ton" basis. Bids shall show a price for each species or product by unit of volume, plus a total for each species or product based on estimated volumes, plus a total estimated bid price. A bid form will be available at timber showing.

Sealed written bids must be submitted by 4:00 p.m., **Friday, June 28, 2024** to:

Sealed Timber Bids

Grafton County Board of Commissioners
3855 Dartmouth College Highway, Box 1
North Haverhill, NH 03774

The sale will be awarded to the highest bidder; however, **the Grafton County Board of Commissioners reserves the right to reject any or all bids.**

The winning bidder will be notified on or slightly after **July 2, 2024.**

VII. Additional information may be obtained from the Grafton County Extension Forester, Jim Frohn, 3855 Dartmouth College Highway, Box 5, No. Haverhill, NH 03774
Telephone (603) 787-6944 (W)
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