



MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
DIVISION OF FORESTRY

NOTICE OF SALE OF STUMPAGE ON STATE LANDS IN THE FOLLOWING AREA:  
LITTLEFORK AREA

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**STATUS: COMPLETED**  
**REGULAR AUCTION - SALE #1**  
**ORAL BID**

Notice is hereby given that I offered for sale at public auction in Big Falls, MN at 9:00 AM on Tuesday, December 3, 2024, timber belonging to the State of Minnesota. All tracts were offered at the Big Falls Community Building in Big Falls, MN.

All of the timber offered was SFI and FSC certified.

The following pages list the lands upon which the timber was located, the estimated quantities of timber offered, the appraised prices, and the bid prices.

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MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES  
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REGULAR AUCTION  
ORAL BID TIMBER SALE  
LITTLEFORK AREA

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**9:00 AM on December 3, 2024**  
**Big Falls Community Building in Big Falls, MN**

**TERMS OF SALE**

- This auction sale will be held according to Minnesota Statutes Sections 90.101 and 90.14. Timber shall be offered and sold by the same unit of measure as it was appraised. Sale shall be made to the responsible bidder who bids the highest price for all timber species advertised for bidding on each tract. Bidding above the appraised price shall be by increments of one (1) percent or more. The percent bid up will be added to the appraised price of each species indicated as a bid species by a plus symbol (+) on the Notice of Sale. Any or all bids may be rejected and sales canceled for good and sufficient reasons.

**REGISTRATION AND ELIGIBLE BIDDERS**

- Interested persons must be registered at least four (4) business days prior to the auction by submitting an *Annual Timber Sales Purchaser Registration* form. No bid will be accepted from anyone having a delinquent timber sale or trespass account or a willful timber trespass with any public agency in Minnesota, or from anyone who does not qualify as a Responsible Bidder as defined in Minnesota Statutes § 90.01 (12), or from anyone who has been debarred for cause by any public agency [M.S. § 90.041 (11)].

**DOWN PAYMENT**

- Purchasers of timber must pay a down payment of fifteen (15) percent of the appraised value of the timber at the time the purchaser's bid is approved. The down payment will be kept on deposit by the State and applied against any billings for timber. The purchaser may elect to have the down payment refunded if they post security for one hundred (100) percent of the bid price of the timber (see Security Required). If the purchaser does not sign the permit document within 45 days of sale, the down payment will forfeit to the State. A permit signature extension of 10 business days may be granted, provided the purchaser pays a \$200 penalty.

**BID GUARANTEE**

- For any bid increase in excess of \$10,000 of the appraised price, a bid guarantee equal to fifteen (15) percent of the total bid price of the timber less the down payment amount is required at the time the permit is signed. If the bid guarantee is not submitted with the signed permit, the permit cancels, and the down payment forfeits to the State. If the permit holder fails to execute an effective permit, the bid guarantee payment forfeits to the State.

**PURCHASER AND LOGGER QUALIFICATIONS AND OPERATIONS REQUIREMENTS**

- The purchaser or the purchaser's agents, employees, subcontractors, and assigns conducting logging operations on a timber permit must comply with the general industry safety standards for logging (e.g., LogSafe) adopted by the Commissioner of Labor and Industry and provide proof of compliance with these standards. The purchaser or the purchaser's agents, employees, subcontractors, and assigns conducting logging operations on a timber permit must comply with the State of Minnesota mandatory insurance requirements before harvest operations begin. A *Certification of Compliance with the Minnesota Workers' Compensation Law* form must be submitted each year. Before the start of harvest operations, the purchaser must certify that a designated foreperson, who will be supervising active logging operations, has a current certificate of completion from a logger education program (e.g., MLEP or FISTA) approved by the Commissioner of Natural Resources.

**SECURITY REQUIRED**

- The purchaser must furnish security equal to the total bid value of the permit, LESS the amount paid as a down payment and bid guarantee. Security can be furnished in the following forms: Corporate surety bond, Letter of Credit, certified check, cashier's check, personal check, money order, or by signing a Cutting Block Payment Agreement for individual cutting blocks, at least one business day prior to the start of any permit operations. If the purchaser elects to receive a refund of the down payment and bid guarantee, they must furnish security in a form described above, for one hundred (100) percent of the total bid value of the timber purchased. If the deferred cash payment for cutting blocks is selected, the down payment and bid guarantee WILL NOT be refunded. If the purchaser elects to secure a permit by prepayment of cutting block(s), they must make a written request on a form provided by the state. No harvesting is permitted until proper security has been furnished to and approved by the Commissioner of Natural Resources or his agent.

**PERMIT TERMS**

- A permit to harvest and remove the timber from state lands will be issued to the purchaser. NO permit shall be issued to anyone other than the purchaser in whose name the bid was made. All timber purchased on the permit must be harvested prior to the permit expiration date. All permits provide for the continuous identification of timber from the time of cutting until delivery to the consumer. Failure to continuously identify the timber as specified in the permit shall constitute trespass. Also, please note all harvest specifications on each tract being sold. Only one Regular Extension is permitted for exceptional circumstances. An annual interest rate of 5 percent may be charged on a regular extension for the period of the extension.

**UNSOLD TRACTS**

- On the next regular business day (8:00 AM - 4:30 PM, Monday - Friday, except holidays) after the date of the auction sale, unsold tracts may be available for over-the-counter purchase at the appraised price for a period of no more than one year. Unless canceled for reoffer at an earlier date, unsold tracts will be available until December 3, 2025, at the following Area Headquarters: Littlefork Area.

**TRACT B1** COUNTY: KOOCHICHING AREA: LITTLEFORK AREA ACRES: 35.1

Permit Number: B016158  
Expiration Date: 05/25/2027

Purchased By: Ziembra & Sons Inc.  
Address: 6002 County Rd. 1, Littlefork, MN 56653

NENE,NWNE of Section 29 - Township 66, Range 26W.

SPECIES	PRODUCT	VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED		BID %: 90	
				UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE	UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE
+ NORWAY PINE	WOODSRUN MIXED PRODUCTS	460.00	Cd	46.52	21,399.20	88.39	40,659.40
+ BALSAM FIR	PULP & BOLTS	120.00	Cd	13.14	1,576.80	24.97	2,996.40
+ JACK PINE	PULP & BOLTS	90.00	Cd	22.32	2,008.80	42.41	3,816.90
MIXED SPRUCE	PULP & BOLTS	45.00	Cd	17.93	806.85	17.93	806.85
ASPEN SPECIES	PULPWOOD	30.00	Cd	22.62	678.60	22.62	678.60
PAPER BIRCH	PULPWOOD	10.00	Cd	12.00	120.00	12.00	120.00
+ BID SPECIES * SOLD ON APPRAISED VOLUME				APPRAISED TOTAL =	\$26,590.25	BID TOTAL = \$	49,078.15
				ADVANCE PAYMENT =	\$3,988.54		

**Optional Timber (may be purchased with an Added Timber Agreement):**

ANY LISTED SPECIES BIOMASS 426.00 Tons 0.65 276.90

**Mixed Species Description:**

Aspen Species Pulpwood includes: Balm of Gilead 5%; Trembling Aspen 95%.  
Mixed Spruce Pulp & Bolts includes: Black Spruce 22%; White Spruce 78%.

**Mixed Product Description:**

Balsam Fir Pulp & Bolts includes: Bolts 35%; Pulpwood 65%.  
Jack Pine Pulp & Bolts includes: Bolts 63%; Pulpwood 37%.  
Mixed Spruce Pulp & Bolts includes: Bolts 33%; Pulpwood 67%.  
Norway Pine Woodsrunk Mixed Products includes: Bolts 45%; Pulpwood 14%; Sawtimber (Softwood Only) 41%.

**Cutting and Felling:**

- Fell all live black spruce equal to or greater than 5 feet tall.

**Season of Operations:**

- Conduct sale operations on dry or frozen soil conditions only, except with written permission from State.

**Sale Conditions:**

- Access is across state land.

**Marketing Conditions:**

The sale is approximately 4.1 miles down County Road 31, approximately 5 miles East of Bigfalls at the start of the Bigfalls School Forest Road. The sale is split into two parts consisting of a marked Norway thinning and a logger select jack pine thinning with a removal of competition species in both parts. The open area indicated on the map may be used as a landing.

**Price Adjustments:**

Road Construction Costs: +10%  
Haul Distance to Nearest Mill: +5%  
Stand Density: +5%  
Operational Constraints: 0%  
Other Price Factor: 0%

**Appraiser:**

Thomas Jay Knaak



**TRACT B2** COUNTY: KOOCHICHING AREA: LITTLEFORK AREA ACRES: 53.9

Permit Number: B016159  
Expiration Date: 05/31/2027

**Purchased By:** Packaging Corporation of America  
**Address:** 400 Third Ave East, International Falls, MN 56649

NWSE,SENW,SESE,SWNE,SWSE of Section 7; NWNE of Section 18 - Township 66, Range 26W.

SPECIES	PRODUCT	VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED		BID %: 37	
				UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE	UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE
+ BLACK SPRUCE	PULPWOOD	1,601.00	Cd	17.85	28,577.85	24.45	39,144.45
TAMARACK	PULPWOOD	112.00	Cd	6.30	705.60	6.30	705.60
PAPER BIRCH	PULPWOOD	3.00	Cd	11.55	34.65	11.55	34.65
+ BID SPECIES * SOLD ON APPRAISED VOLUME				APPRAISED TOTAL =	\$29,318.10	BID TOTAL = \$	39,884.70
				ADVANCE PAYMENT =	\$4,397.72		

**Optional Timber (may be purchased with an Added Timber Agreement):**

ANY LISTED SPECIES BIOMASS 921.00 Tons 0.65 598.65

**Cutting and Felling:**

- Fell all live black spruce equal to or greater than 5 feet tall.

**Season of Operations:**

- Conduct sale operations on frozen soil conditions only, except with written permission from State.

**Sale Conditions:**

- Access is across state land.

**Marketing Conditions:**

Sale is approximately 4 miles north of Big Falls on Highway 71. Access crosses the Blue Ox snowmobile trail and requires crossing a ditch. Access is approximately 2.4 miles of previous logging road and 0.25 miles new road. Appraiser was Ryan Thurman.

**Price Adjustments:**

Road Construction Costs: -10%  
Haul Distance to Nearest Mill: +5%  
Stand Density: +10%  
Operational Constraints: 0%  
Other Price Factor: 0%

**Appraiser:**

Amanda N. West

**TRACT B3**

**COUNTY: KOOCHICHING**

**AREA: LITTLEFORK AREA**

**ACRES: 16.9**

Permit Number: B016160  
Expiration Date: 05/31/2028

Purchased By:  
Address:

# UNSOLD

NESW,NWSW,SESW,SWSW of Section 12 - Township 66, Range 27W.

SPECIES	PRODUCT	VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED		BID: _____	
				UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE	UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE
+ MIXED SPRUCE	PULPWOOD	270.00	Cd	8.10	2,187.00	8.10	2,187.00
+ BALSAM FIR	PULPWOOD	51.00	Cd	4.50	229.50	4.50	229.50
WHITE CEDAR	PULPWOOD	22.00	Cd	5.40	118.80	5.40	118.80
ASPEN SPECIES	PULPWOOD	7.00	Cd	17.07	119.49	17.07	119.49
PAPER BIRCH	PULPWOOD	3.00	Cd	9.00	27.00	9.00	27.00
+ BID SPECIES      * SOLD ON APPRAISED VOLUME				APPRAISED TOTAL =	\$2,681.79	BID TOTAL = \$	2,681.79
				ADVANCE PAYMENT =	\$402.27		

**Optional Timber (may be purchased with an Added Timber Agreement):**

ANY LISTED SPECIES    BIOMASS                      150.00 Tons                      0.65                      97.50

**Mixed Species Description:**

Aspen Species Pulpwood includes: Balm of Gilead 1%; Trembling Aspen 99%.  
Mixed Spruce Pulpwood includes: Black Spruce 99%; White Spruce 1%.

**Cutting and Felling:**

- Harvest aspen species, spruce species, balsam fir, white cedar, and paper birch.
- Fell all live black spruce equal to or greater than 5 feet tall.

**Site, Soil, and Water Protection:**

- If site damage becomes apparent, alter or cease operations and contact State.

**Marketing Conditions:**

Sale is located approximately 16 miles south of Littlefork off of US Highway 71. From there roughly half a mile of new construction is required to access the permit. New construction is through mature cedar. Along the southern border of the sale there is a candidate old growth stand, no road construction is permitted through the candidate old growth stand. Check with state forester before road construction.

**Price Adjustments:**

- Road Construction Costs: -15%
- Haul Distance to Nearest Mill: 0%
- Stand Density: +5%
- Operational Constraints: 0%
- Other Price Factor: 0%

**Appraiser:**

Dylan J. Trent

**TRACT B4** COUNTY: KOOCHICHING AREA: LITTLEFORK AREA ACRES: 138.2

Permit Number: B016161  
Expiration Date: 05/31/2028

Purchased By: Packaging Corporation of America  
Address: 400 Third Ave East, International Falls, MN 56649

NESW,NWSE,NWSW,SESW,SWNE,SWNW,SWSE of Section 27 - Township 68, Range 23W.

SPECIES	PRODUCT	VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED		BID %: 0	
				UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE	UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE
+ ASPEN SPECIES	PULPWOOD	5,620.00	Cd	24.31	136,622.20	24.31	136,622.20
BALSAM FIR	PULPWOOD	470.00	Cd	6.50	3,055.00	6.50	3,055.00
ASH	PULPWOOD	215.00	Cd	7.80	1,677.00	7.80	1,677.00
PAPER BIRCH	PULPWOOD	80.00	Cd	13.00	1,040.00	13.00	1,040.00
+ BID SPECIES * SOLD ON APPRAISED VOLUME				APPRAISED TOTAL =	\$142,394.20	BID TOTAL = \$	142,394.20
				ADVANCE PAYMENT =	\$21,359.13		

**Optional Timber (may be purchased with an Added Timber Agreement):**

ANY LISTED SPECIES BIOMASS 2,700.00 Tons 0.65 1,755.00

**Mixed Species Description:**

Aspen Species Pulpwood includes: Balm of Gilead 10%; Trembling Aspen 90%.

**Season of Operations:**

- Conduct sale operations on dry/frozen soil conditions only, except with written permission from State.

**Sale Conditions:**

- Access is across county land.
- Permission to cross county land must be obtained by permittee.

**Marketing Conditions:**

Sale is located 5.6 miles south of HWY. 217 off of the Haney Rd. The Sale can be accessed through 0.6 miles of existing roads (Mann Rd.) on county land west off the Haney Rd. While operations may be possible in dry, non-frozen conditions, hauling will only be allowed during frozen conditions, except with written permission. Harvest area has 3 wildlife openings that may be used as landings.

**Price Adjustments:**

- Road Construction Costs: +10%
- Haul Distance to Nearest Mill: +10%
- Stand Density: +10%
- Operational Constraints: 0%
- Other Price Factor: 0%

**Appraiser:**

Kirby M. Readman

**TRACT B5**

**COUNTY: KOOCHICHING**

**AREA: LITTLEFORK AREA**

**ACRES: 163.1**

Permit Number: B016162  
Expiration Date: 05/31/2028

**Purchased By:** Packaging Corporation of America  
**Address:** 400 Third Ave East, International Falls, MN 56649

NENW,NWNE,NWNW,SENE,SENW,SWNE of Section 10; NENE,NWNE of Section 9; SENW,SESW,SWNW of Section 11 - Township 157, Range 26W.

SPECIES	PRODUCT	VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED		BID %: 0	
				UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE	UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE
+ ASPEN SPECIES	PULPWOOD	2,819.00	Cd	21.61	60,918.59	21.61	60,918.59
+ ASH	PULPWOOD	557.00	Cd	7.20	4,010.40	7.20	4,010.40
	BALSAM FIR	527.00	Cd	6.00	3,162.00	6.00	3,162.00
+ MIXED SPRUCE	PULPWOOD	400.00	Cd	10.80	4,320.00	10.80	4,320.00
	PAPER BIRCH	200.00	Cd	12.00	2,400.00	12.00	2,400.00
	WHITE CEDAR	110.00	Cd	7.20	792.00	7.20	792.00
	TAMARACK	40.00	Cd	7.20	288.00	7.20	288.00

+ BID SPECIES \* SOLD ON APPRAISED VOLUME

APPRAISED TOTAL = \$75,890.99      BID TOTAL = \$ 75,890.99  
ADVANCE PAYMENT = \$11,383.65

**Optional Timber (may be purchased with an Added Timber Agreement):**

ANY LISTED SPECIES      BIOMASS      2,433.00 Tons      0.65      1,581.45

**Mixed Species Description:**

Aspen Species Pulpwood includes: Balm of Gilead 33%; Trembling Aspen 67%.  
Mixed Spruce Pulpwood includes: Black Spruce 80%; White Spruce 20%.

**Season of Operations:**

- Conduct sale operations on frozen soil conditions only, except with written permission from State.

**Sale Conditions:**

- Access is across state, private industry, and county land.  
- Permission to cross county and private industry land must be obtained by permittee.

**Marketing Conditions:**

Sale is approximately 2.5 miles south west of red barn bridge. North west stand of aspen is approximately 1000 ft. of new winter road construction. Along permit boundaries adjacent to cedar create 10x10 ft. slash piles.

**Price Adjustments:**

Road Construction Costs: +5%  
Haul Distance to Nearest Mill: +5%  
Stand Density: +10%  
Operational Constraints: 0%  
Other Price Factor: 0%

**Appraiser:**

Bill C. Alleman



**TRACT B6**

**COUNTY: KOOCHICHING**

**AREA: LITTLEFORK AREA**

**ACRES: 99.0**

Permit Number: B016163  
Expiration Date: 05/31/2027

**Purchased By:** Packaging Corporation of America  
**Address:** 400 Third Ave East, International Falls, MN 56649

NENE,NENW,NESW,NWNE,NWSE,NWSW,SENE,SENW,SWNE,SWNW of Section 8 - Township 157, Range 26W.

SPECIES	PRODUCT	VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED		BID %: 0	
				UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE	UNIT PRICE	\$ VALUE
+ ASPEN SPECIES	PULPWOOD	2,179.00	Cd	21.50	46,848.50	21.50	46,848.50
+ ASH	PULPWOOD	400.00	Cd	6.90	2,760.00	6.90	2,760.00
BALSAM FIR	PULPWOOD	244.00	Cd	5.75	1,403.00	5.75	1,403.00
PAPER BIRCH	PULPWOOD	127.00	Cd	11.50	1,460.50	11.50	1,460.50
MIXED SPRUCE	PULPWOOD	64.00	Cd	10.35	662.40	10.35	662.40
WHITE CEDAR	PULPWOOD	30.00	Cd	6.90	207.00	6.90	207.00
TAMARACK	PULPWOOD	10.00	Cd	6.90	69.00	6.90	69.00

+ BID SPECIES \* SOLD ON APPRAISED VOLUME

APPRAISED TOTAL =	\$53,410.40	BID TOTAL = \$	53,410.40
ADVANCE PAYMENT =	\$8,011.56		

**Optional Timber (may be purchased with an Added Timber Agreement):**

ANY LISTED SPECIES	BIOMASS	1,636.00	Tons	0.65	1,063.40
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**Mixed Species Description:**

Aspen Species Pulpwood includes: Balm of Gilead 10%; Trembling Aspen 90%.  
Mixed Spruce Pulpwood includes: Black Spruce 40%; White Spruce 60%.

**Season of Operations:**

- Conduct sale operations on frozen soil conditions only, except with written permission from State.

**Sale Conditions:**

- Access is across state, private industry, and county land.  
- Permission to cross county and private industry land must be obtained by permittee.

**Marketing Conditions:**

Sale is approximately 5 miles SW of Red Barn bridge on existing winter roads.  
Along edges of the permit adjacent to cedar, create 10x10ft slash piles for small mammal habitat. Throughout the rest of the sale, lop and scatter slash.

**Price Adjustments:**

Road Construction Costs: 0%  
Haul Distance to Nearest Mill: +5%  
Stand Density: +10%  
Operational Constraints: 0%  
Other Price Factor: 0%

**Appraiser:**

Bill C. Alleman

Harvest specifications and additional information about each tract may be obtained upon request from the following  
DNR Area Forestry Office:

LITTLEFORK AREA

The right is reserved to reject any and all bids.

For the Commissioner  
MINNESOTA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Authorized Signature  
Division Of Forestry  
Dated: December 3, 2024

- SUMMARY SHEET -

12/03/2024 REGULAR AUCTION - SALE #1

COMPLETED - DATA AS OF 12/04/2024

LITTLEFORK AREA

**SUMMARY FOR SOLD TRACTS**

PRODUCT	SPECIES	TOTAL VOLUME	UNIT	SOLD AVERAGE UNIT PRICE	TOTAL SOLD \$ VALUE
PULP & BOLTS	JACK PINE	90.00	Cd	42.41	3,816.90
	BALSAM FIR	120.00	Cd	24.97	2,996.40
	MIXED SPRUCE	45.00	Cd	17.93	806.85
WOODSRUN MIXED PRODUCTS	NORWAY PINE	460.00	Cd	88.39	40,659.40
PULPWOOD	ASH	1,172.00	Cd	7.21	8,447.40
	ASPEN SPECIES	10,648.00	Cd	23.02	245,067.89
	PAPER BIRCH	420.00	Cd	12.04	5,055.15
	BALSAM FIR	1,241.00	Cd	6.14	7,620.00
	BLACK SPRUCE	1,601.00	Cd	24.45	39,144.45
	TAMARACK	162.00	Cd	6.56	1,062.60
	WHITE CEDAR	140.00	Cd	7.14	999.00
	MIXED SPRUCE	464.00	Cd	10.74	4,982.40
BIOMASS	ANY LISTED SPECIES (optional)	8,116.00	Tons	-	0.00

**TOTAL SOLD TRACTS CONVERTED TO CORDS:** 16,563.00  
**TOTAL APPRAISED DOLLAR VALUE OF SOLD TRACTS:** \$ 327,603.94  
**TOTAL BID-UP DOLLAR VALUE OF SOLD TRACTS:** \$ 360,658.44  
**TOTAL ACRES SOLD:** 489.3  
**SOLD TRACT NUMBERS:** 1, 2, 4, 5, 6  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF TRACTS SOLD:** 5

**SUMMARY FOR UNSOLD TRACTS**

PRODUCT	SPECIES	TOTAL VOLUME	UNIT	APPRAISED AVERAGE UNIT PRICE	APPRAISED \$ VALUE
PULPWOOD	ASPEN SPECIES	7.00	Cd	17.07	119.49
	PAPER BIRCH	3.00	Cd	9.00	27.00
	BALSAM FIR	51.00	Cd	4.50	229.50
	WHITE CEDAR	22.00	Cd	5.40	118.80
	MIXED SPRUCE	270.00	Cd	8.10	2,187.00
BIOMASS	ANY LISTED SPECIES (optional)	150.00	Tons	0.65	97.50

**TOTAL UNSOLD TRACTS CONVERTED TO CORDS:** 353.00  
**TOTAL APPRAISED DOLLAR VALUE OF UNSOLD TRACTS:** \$ 2,681.79  
**TOTAL ACRES UNSOLD:** 16.9  
**UNSOLD TRACT NUMBER:** 3  
**TOTAL NUMBER OF TRACTS UNSOLD:** 1