



Invitation to Bid
STATE OF TENNESSEE
TENNESSEE WILDLIFE RESOURCES AGENCY
DIVISION OF WILDLIFE & FORESTRY
INVITATION TO BID

BID NO. A-21AE-926-1 – Cheatham WMA

August 31, 2026

The Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency offers for sale the timber described in Addendum "A" of the contract and subject to the "General Provisions" of the Invitation to Bid. Sealed bids will be received until:

Date: September 24, 2026

Time: 10:30 am CDT At the following location:

Bids delivered by mail must be mailed to:	Bids delivered by hand must be delivered to:
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Division of Wildlife & Forestry 2880 Petway Road Ashland City, TN 37015	Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency Division of Wildlife & Forestry 2880 Petway Road Ashland City, TN 37015

Printed bids will not be accepted at any other location. This bid can be digitally filled out, signed, and submitted through the online bid link here:

<https://www.tn.gov/content/tn/twra/wildlife/habitat/timbersales.html>

BID

In compliance with the above Invitation and subject to all General Provisions, the undersigned offers and agrees, to purchase and pay for the timber described in Addendum "A" and with the terms and conditions found in the contract, within 15 business days after Notice of Acceptance by the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency. All of the following information should be provided. **Failure to provide the "required" information will result in rejection of the Bid.**

My bid for the timber offered for sale is: \$_____ (required)

By: _____
Signature (required)
Print or Type Name

Title of Person Signing the Bid _____ Phone # _____

Owner/Organization Name _____ (required)

Street Address _____

City, State _____ Zip _____



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Tour Dates

Forestry Division personnel will give a tour of the sale areas on:

Date: September 17, 2026

Time: 9:30 am

Those interested should meet at the Cheatham WMA Forestry Office.

For additional information contact:

Name: Adam Ziegenbein

Address: 2880 Petway Road, Ashland City, TN 37015

Phone: 615-290-3111

Email: adam.m.ziegenbein@tn.gov

GENERAL PROVISIONS

Timber sales shall comply with the procedures outlined in General Services Rule 0690-2-1-.18 (a), Disposal of Forestry Products. The pro forma contract contains the essential terms and conditions of the timber sale contract that is signed by both parties.

The timber sale contract will not be assignable by the purchaser in whole or in part without the written consent of Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency.

The departure from the procedures, stipulations or requirements outlined in the Invitation to Bid and General Provisions may be granted only with approval from the Director of the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency.

1. PREPARATION OF BIDS:

- (A) Failure to examine any maps and/or instructions will be at bidder's risk.
- (B) Bids must be filled out in **ink or typewritten or digitally submitted**. No erasures permitted. Errors may be crossed out and corrections printed in ink or typewritten adjacent to the error, and must be initialed in ink by person signing bid.

2. SUBMISSION OF BIDS:

- (A) **Bid Envelope** – For printed paper submissions, the appropriate bid number must be on the outside of the envelope and envelope sealed.



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Only one bid per envelope. Please print the name of the bidder, organization and telephone number on the outside of the bid. The State assumes no responsibility for lost or misdirected bids.

- (B) **Signature - Bids must be signed in ink, if printed, or digitally signed, if digitally submitted. The person signing the Invitation to Bid must be a person authorized to bind the bidder contractually. Unsigned bids will be rejected. Unsigned bids cannot be signed after the bid has been opened, even if the bidder or the bidder's representative is present at bid opening. No signatures shall be in pencil.** Name of person executing bid and the organization he/she represents should be typewritten or be legibly printed in longhand.
- (C) **Bid Form** - Only bids submitted on bid forms furnished by the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency will be considered.
3. **ACCEPTANCE OF BIDS:** The Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency reserves the right to reject any or all bids. Only bids in sealed envelopes delivered or mailed to the designated location prior to the bid opening time will be considered.
4. **ERROR IN BID:** No bid shall be altered, amended, or withdrawn after the specified time for opening bids. Negligence on the part of the bidder in preparing the bid confers no right for withdrawal of the bid after it has been opened.
5. **AWARD:**
- (A) The highest responsible bidder who accepts the stipulations specified in this Invitation for Bids will be declared the purchaser. The purchaser will be required to sign a timber sale contract at which time he will pay the full purchase price and post a performance bond equaling seven (7) percent of the sale price. Both of these amounts shall be in the form of certified check or a cashier's check (Attention: the interior body of the check must not be perforated or have holes punched into its surface), payable to the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency.
- (B) If the highest responsible bidder does not meet the minimum bid determined by the Tennessee Wildlife Resource Agency which is held in confidence in a sealed envelope and opened during the bid opening (the "Minimum Bid"), but is within 95% of the Minimum Bid, the Tennessee



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Wildlife Resource Agency may negotiate with the highest responsible bidder to accept the Minimum Bid as the purchase price. If the highest responsible bidder accepts the Minimum Bid as the purchase price, then the highest responsible bidder will be declared the purchaser.

- (C) Should the highest responsible bidder not accept or meet the requirements or stipulations in the Invitation for Bids or General Provisions, including accepting the Minimum Bid as the purchase price, then the next highest responsible bidder will be offered the opportunity to accept the Minimum Bid as the purchase price and accept the stipulations specified in the Invitation for Bids. If the next highest responsible bidder accepts the purchase price and stipulations, the next highest bidders will be declared the purchaser. If the next highest responsible bidder also refuses to accept the Minimum Bid as the purchase price, the no award shall be made and all bids shall be rejected.
- (D) Should two bids be identical in amount, the winner of a coin toss will determine the highest bidder and next highest bidder.

6. **Required Documents:** Copies of the following documents are required to be provided to the State by the PURCHASER. Copies can be attached to the signed contract, sent to the State's contact person by mail, or provided to the State's contact person no later than the pre-operation meeting. All insurances shall be in good standing and maintained for the term of the contract. Should the status of any of these insurances or documents change, copies should be forwarded to the State's contact person as soon as possible.

- (A) Proof of Worker's Compensation Insurance applicable to Tennessee, if PURCHASER and/or logging contractor have employees
- (B) Proof of General Liability Insurance applicable to Tennessee
- (C) Proof of Vehicle Insurance for those vehicles utilized under the terms and conditions of the contract applicable to Tennessee
- (D) Proof of legal alien work status, if applicable
 - United States Passport
 - Unexpired Foreign Passport with I-551 Stamp
 - I-94 Arrival/Departure Record
 - Alien Registration Receipt Card (Resident Alien Card) I-551 (Issued after March 1977)



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- Alien Registration Receipt Card (Resident Alien Card) I-551 (Issued since 1989)
- Alien Registration Receipt Card (Conditional Resident Alien Card) I-551
- Temporary Resident Card I-688
- Employment Authorization Card I-688A
- Employment Authorization Card I-688B