

INVITATION TO QUOTE

2022 Manual Cleaning Project – ALGONQUIN PROVINCIAL PARK

The Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA) is the Ontario Crown agency responsible for sustainable forest management in Algonquin Provincial Park. As part of this program, the AFA is seeking quotes for the cleaning of approximately 185 hectares releasing pine and other desirable regeneration from hardwood competition. Contractors are invited to submit a written quotation on a cost per hectare basis, per area, as displayed below. Forest access roads requiring four-wheel drive vehicles with some ATV access anticipated. Some areas are estimates based on preliminary field work. Final areas, laid out and measured with use of GPS units, will be provided before commencing the work. It is anticipated that additional areas may be available at some sites, listed below, and will be offered to the successful contractor awarded work in adjacent areas at equivalent rates. It is possible that not all sites will be awarded by the AFA as part of this tender process. Temporary work camps can be set up in close proximity to the work areas, pending approval from the MECP – Ontario Parks.

Block (Road System)	Estimated Ha	Work Dates	Rate per Hectare
Forbes Creek (Lake Travers)	23.1	May - October*	\$ _____/ha
Ignace Lake (Lake Travers)	8	May - October	\$ _____/ha
Km 21 Bissett (Bissett Creek)	37.4	May - October	\$ _____/ha
Thrush (Bissett Creek)	70.0	May - October*	\$ _____/ha
Alco Lake (Bissett Creek)	15.0	May - October	\$ _____/ha
White Partridge (Lake Travers)	30.9	May - October	\$ _____/ha

*Maps contain more detail on timing restrictions.

Requirements:

The contractor must be an established forest management contractor with a formed company. The contractor will supply all labour, supervision, equipment, and supplies. A brief contract proposal is to be submitted with the quote, outlining relevant experience and company track record, with references. The contractor will be required to enter into a contract, requiring coverage from the Workplace Safety and Insurance Board, or personal accident insurance if self-employed with no employees, public liability, and damage insurance coverage of \$2,000,000 per occurrence (with AFA listed as an additional insured) and commit to meeting the requirements of AFA's Environmental and Sustainable Forest Management System. The contractor will also

be required to submit a detailed health and safety plan with precautions in place to monitor and protect workers from a potential COVID-19 outbreak. Additional requirements may be included in the final contract.

Fire Equipment Required as per Annual Work Schedule:

Vegetation control with mechanized units. Crew must have at least the following readily available:

- One ABC fire extinguisher (minimum 225g dry chemical) for each chainsaw or brushsaw.
- One serviceable pack pump for every 4 workers to a maximum of 10 per site.

Quotes:

Quotes will be accepted on a cost per hectare basis. The lowest, or any price, is not necessarily accepted. Please specify the specific jobs you are quoting on.

Forward quotations to: tenders@algonquinforestry.on.ca

Quotes Should Include:

- Rates for manual cleaning as requested in the above table
- Expected timeline for start and completion of project
- Number of staff to be utilized
- Requests for potential work camps near projects areas in Algonquin Park

Please Note:

- For any questions, to receive a map package or a sample contract, please contact Jordan MacMillan at jordan.macmillan@algonquinforestry.on.ca in Pembroke.
- If no reply is received, AFA will assume the contractor wishes their name to be removed from the contractors list.
- A formal site viewing is tentatively scheduled for **Thursday, April 14, 2022**. If you plan to attend, please reserve your spot with Jordan MacMillan.
- Quotes may be used to award contracts in future years.
- Only quotations received prior to the closing date and time will be accepted. Quotes should preferably be e-mailed to tenders@algonquinforestry.on.ca, e-mails to other addresses, faxes and verbal quotations will **NOT** be accepted.
- The closing time and date for submitting quotes is **2:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 21, 2022**.