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REQUEST for SERVICES

2023 Silviculture and Tree Marking Projects - Algonquin Provincial Park

The Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA) is inviting established silviculture and tree marking contractors to state their interest for a variety of silviculture and tree marking projects across Algonquin Provincial Park for the 2023/2024 fiscal year (April 1, 2023 – March 31, 2024). The AFA is the Ontario Crown Agency responsible for the sustainable forest management of Algonquin Provincial Park's forest. Our responsibilities include harvesting and distribution of wood products to mills in communities adjacent to the park as well as forest management planning, silviculture and compliance monitoring. A list of eligible contractors will be developed and drawn from as projects are approved for implementation. Projects may include, but are not limited to:

- 1) **Mechanical Site Preparation (May 2023 – November 2023)**
Removal of post-harvest debris and exposure of mineral soil through mechanical means (skidder or bulldozer) for planting in subsequent years.
- 2) **Stand Improvement (April 2023 – March 2024)**
Removal of non-merchantable competing vegetation over crop tree species. Typically completed using a chainsaw.
- 3) **Tree Marking (May 2023 – December 2023)**
Selecting of trees for harvest or retention and identification and application of reserves around protected features.

For more information, please contact:

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