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INVITATION TO QUOTE 2026 Manual Cleaning Project in Algonquin Park

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. The AFA requires cleaning of approximately **283 hectares** releasing pine and other desirable regeneration from competition. Contractors are invited to submit a written quotation on a cost per hectare basis, per area, with proposed work dates as displayed in the table below. Forest access road 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 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.

Block (Road System)	Estimated Ha*	Rate per Hectare	Proposed Work Dates
Basin Cabin (Basin)	32.4	\$	
Beechnut (Beechnut)	26.4	\$	
Crab Tree (Basin)	29.8	\$	
Guthrie (Basin)	46.0	\$	
Lodar (Lake Travers)	88.1	\$	
White Partridge (Lake Travers)	60.3	\$	

*Final block area is subject to change.

It is possible that not all sites will be awarded by the AFA as part of this tender process. Once bids are received, it may be a few weeks before contracts are awarded.

See map package and contact the AFA for more specific details regarding work dates or timing restrictions in each block.

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



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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 & Sustainable Management System (ESFMS). The contractor will also be required to submit a detailed health and safety policy and plan. 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 jobs you are quoting on.

Preference may be given to individuals or groups who are able to complete work before September 2026.

Interested parties are strongly encouraged to submit quotes for all of the work areas.

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 as requested in the above table.
- Total number of hectares able to complete.
- Number of staff to be utilized.
- Requests for potential work camps near projects areas in Algonquin Park.

Please Note:

- For any questions or to receive a map package or sample contract, please contact Aidan Holland at aidan.holland@algonquinforestry.on.ca
- 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 scheduled for Tuesday, June 23rd, 2026. If you plan to attend, please reserve your spot with Aidan Holland.
- Additional stand improvement and beech tending work may be available at pre-determined rates as projects are approved. Please indicate if interested in additional work in your proposal.
- Quotations may be used to award contracts in future years.
- Only quotations received prior to the closing date and time will be accepted. Quotes will only be accepted by e-mail 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 at 2:00 PM on Friday, June 26th, 2026.