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INVITATION TO QUOTE
2015 Manual Cleaning Project - ALGONQUIN PARK

The Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA) requires cleaning of approximately 400 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, as well as an hourly rate-per-productive hour. Forest access road requiring four-wheel drive vehicles with some ATV access anticipated. See attached maps. 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 area may be available at most sites, listed below, and will be offered to the successful contractor awarded work in adjacent areas at equivalent rates.

Manual Cleaning 2015					
Area Name - Brief Description	**Map No.**	**Work Dates**	**Estimated Ha.**	**Rate/ Ha.**	**Rate/ Hour**
Kennedy Bay	1	Sept. 8 to Oct 23, 2015	15	$	$
KM 31 Bissett Road	2	July 1 to Sept. 8, 2015	90	$	$
North Rouge Lake Road	3	July 1 to Sept. 8, 2015	7	$	$
Blackbass East	4	July 1 to Sept 8, 2015*	100	$	$
Blackbass West	5	Sept. 8 to Oct 23, 2015	50	$	$
Brent Road	6	Sept. 8 to Oct 23, 2015	40	$	$
KM 79	7	July 1 to Sept. 8, 2015	62	$	$
Ed's Road	8	July 1 to Sept. 8, 2015	25	$	$

* Work Dates assume the use of motor-manual methods. Ontario Parks has granted a specific exemption with respect to sound zone restrictions for the proposed work. If any noise complaints are received, work may need to be curtailed until Sept 8.

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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, public liability and damage insurance coverage of $2,000,000 per occurrence and commit to meeting the requirements of AFA's Environmental and Sustainable Forest Management Systems. A sample of pertinent contract details is attached. People using chainsaws must have the certification and skills required by the Ministry of Skills and Development. 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 or a cost-per-productive hour. 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

PLEASE NOTE:

- Please refer any questions to Tracey Bradley in Pembroke at tracey.bradley@algonquinforestry.on.ca
- If no reply is received, AFA will assume the contractor wishes their name removed from the contractors list.
- There will be a site viewing on June 25, 2015 for those who wish to see the different areas and ask questions in the field.
- Only quotations received prior to the closing date and time will be accepted. Quotes should preferably be e-mailed to tenders@algonquinforestry.on.ca, or delivered to the AFA Pembroke office in a sealed envelope clearly marked "Manual Cleaning Project". E-mails to other addresses, as well as faxes and verbal quotations will **NOT** be accepted.
- The closing time and date for submitting quotes is 4:00 p.m. on Friday, June 26, 2015.