

INVITATION to QUOTE

Roadside Brushing Lake Travers Road – Algonquin Provincial Park

The Algonquin Forestry Authority (AFA), the Ontario Crown Agency responsible for sustainable forest management of Algonquin Park's Forests, invites contractors to submit quotes for roadside brushing to be conducted along Lake Travers Road. This is a public access road leading to Algonquin Provincial Park with both logging truck traffic and public users.

Lake Travers Road starts at the end of the Barron Canyon Road (County Road 28) and continues into Algonquin Provincial Park. This roadside brushing work will begin at km 64 on Lake Travers Road and continue back out towards Barron Canyon Road. The exact distance this roadside brushing will occur will be determined by the funds available and quotes received.

The successful contractor will be required to enter into a contract with the AFA to supply all required equipment, personnel, and materials. WSIB coverage or personal injury insurance is required prior to commencing as well as \$5,000,000 liability insurance with the AFA listed as an additional insured.

The contractor will also be required to abide by the terms of the AFA's Environmental and Sustainable Forest Management System (ESFMS) and all other laws and regulations of Ontario pertaining to the performance of the work. An ESFMS training session is required prior to commencing any work.

The contract will require all brush and small trees to be cut from the road right-of-way including the ditch line, remove all brush and small trees from the graveled running surface, shoulder and ditch line including trimming overhanging branches up to a height of 5 metres (16') from the graveled surface. Small trees that are less than 15 cm (6") in diameter that are leaning towards the road are to be wholly cut and laid flat or mulched to lay within 15 cm of the ground. Branches encroaching towards the road on larger trees are to be cut close to the tree trunk without scarring the trunk. Debris on the graveled road surface is to be kept to a minimum.

Traffic control with signage per MTO standards will be required. A flag/safety person with a vehicle that has a functioning CB radio is required as part of your quote to accompany the brushing equipment at all times.

The lowest or any quote will not necessarily be accepted. All costs incurred shall be included in the price per productive machine hour as part of the quotation, excluding HST. Quotes will also be considered on a cost-per-km basis. Your quotation must list the type of equipment that will be used to complete the project and your expected start-up date.

NOTE:

- Please refer any questions to Evan Dombroskie at 613-735-0173, ext. 229 or by email at evan.dombroskie@algonquinforestry.on.ca
- Only quotations received prior to the closing date and time will be accepted. Quotes should be sent by email to tenders@algonquinforestry.on.ca
- Faxed or verbal quotations will NOT be accepted.
- The closing time and date for submitting quotes is 4:00 p.m., local time, October 27, 2023.