



TAAN FOREST

REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL

LOCATION: TFL 60

Taan Forest is now accepting proposals for Non-Replaceable Timber Harvesting Contract Opportunities within our TFL Tenure.

Deadline: May 15th, 2017

Additional conditions and details are available at the Taan Forest office located in Skidegate. Commercial Center, Unit 3, Hwy 16.

All proponents must accept and review the conditions prior to submitting a proposal. Please contact Richard Jones @ 250-559-2337 if further information is required.



Request for Proposals: Non-Replaceable Timber Harvesting Contract Opportunities on TFL 60

Taan Forest Limited Partnership (“Taan”) is requesting proposals for timber harvesting contract opportunities within TFL 60.

Taan’s objectives for its timber harvesting program in TFL 60 include:

- Create better economic stability to the logging contractors of Haida Gwaii,
- Create a diversity of contractors to ensure effective use of equipment and capacity to ensure efficient operations,
- Create better long term employment opportunities, and
- Allow for entry of new contactors and entrepreneurs into the market.

Types of Contracts:

Proposals may be for stump to dump (including dry-land sort handling FOB barge side) or single phase operations (e.g., falling, yarding, hauling, dryland sort, etc.).

Amount of Work per Contract:

Allocation of the annual volume may vary with the contracts issued as it will be dependent on the contracts that may be negotiated, as well general factors such as log markets and ongoing business priorities.

Term of Contracts:

5 Yr. Non-Replaceable. Specifically, no contract for this work will be replaceable under the Timber Harvesting Contract and Subcontract Regulation or otherwise.

Certification:

****All Contactors must be certified to or have signed collective agreements with the United Steelworkers (i.e., unionized) and adhere to the provisions of that agreement.**

Rates

Rates will be reasonably negotiated on a per unit basis (e.g., per block or per road segment) during the contract term.

Assessment Criteria & Submission Requirements:

Proponents and proposals will be assessed on the following information (note that some leniency may be given to new contractors/ entrepreneurs in regards to meeting the criteria below):

1. Cover Letter Summary of the proposal and key points to consider
2. Insurance Coverage CGL \$5,000,000; Fire Fighting Expense \$1,000,000; Non-owned Automobile \$2,000,000; Pollution Liability Insurance
3. SAFE Certification Must be certified or registered and working towards certification; subsequent confirmation of successful certification will be required prior to issuance of a contract



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| 4. Financial stability | Verification of access to sufficient funding and financing to allow for stable operations |
| 5. Available capacity | List of workers and job functions, list of available equipment to perform the work on schedule |
| 6. Local Employment | Commitment to local and Haida employment as well as capacity building within the Haida Gwaii population (e.g., training of new workers). Records of local and Haida employment statistics are available on request. |
| 7. Management Team | A well informed and capable management team (experience, certifications and training) |
| 8. Proven Track Record | For established contractors – evidence of a proven track record (safety, environment, production and cost management performance) |
| 9. References | Minimum of two references |

Deadline for submissions:

Proposals must be submitted no later than **May 15, 2017**, to attention Richard Jones (richard@taanforest.com).

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Taan Forest Limited Partnership (Taan) is committed to creating a successful forest business and economy on Haida Gwaii based on the management principles of the Strategic Land Use Agreement. The underlying goal is to maximize the benefits from the forest resource on Haida Gwaii and for the Haida Nation. Specifically, manage for long term sustainability, increase the number of local logging and manufacturing jobs on Haida Gwaii, extract the best value possible from the areas harvested, and manage the business prudently and effectively.