

# **Timber Sale Agreement**

## **Request for Bids Information Package**

### **TSA-004-18 – Pine Pond**

Forestry and Wildlife Branch  
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**Application Deadline: OPEN**

**Minimum Acceptable Bid: \$13,030.00**

**Please review the Timber Sale Agreement Application Guide  
for full details regarding applying for this TSA.**

A Timber Sale Agreement is a contractual agreement between government and a registered company, for the harvest and extraction of timber from forested parcels of crown land. Any registered business that qualifies and has an interest in harvesting these areas may bid in an open and fair, competitive bidding process. All TSA areas are approved through existing five-year Forestry and Annual Operating Plan approvals and have been vetted through Environmental Assessment.

The Province is seeking candidates to bid on standing timber with the intent to harvest and utilize the fibre for value added markets. Applications will be assessed and ranked using a predetermined evaluation matrix based on the following criteria:

- value of bid;
- commercial viability and value of manufacturing;
- applicants proximity to Timber Sale Agreement area;
- potential employment of the application;
- companies ability to meet regulatory compliance; and
- the applicant's operational capacity.

Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture herby invite submissions of sealed bids for **TSA-004-18 Pine Pond**.

Companies are required to submit a suitable proposal that clearly demonstrates their ability to meet their plan objectives. To submit a bid, candidates must complete and submit a **Timber Sale Agreement Application Form** and provide any additional information to help support their bid. This may include further business information, a revised resource access plan, details on their proposed operations and harvesting schedule.

## TSA DESCRIPTION

TSA-004-18 Pine Pond is located in the general vicinity of Fortune Harbour. The area is located in Forest Management District 8 and is managed by the Lewisporte Forestry and Wildlife District Office.

## ACCESS

The approved harvest location may be accessed:

From the Trans-Canada Highway (Route 1), take the Botwood Highway (Route 350). Travel approximately 73 kilometers north to Fortune Harbour. Turn Right on the Resource Road and travel approximately 5 kilometres to arrive at beginning of approved harvest area.

**See Appendix A - Map of Timber Sale Agreement location.**

## TIMBER VOLUME

The total land area within the proposed block is an estimated 327 hectares with approximately 121 hectares being considered merchantable forest. For operational purposes, Fisheries and Land Resources identifies a merchantable stand as, achieving a volume greater than 60 cubic meters (m<sup>3</sup>) per hectare and generally greater than 60 years of age.

Within the estimated 121 hectares of merchantable forest area, the total net cruise is approximately 13,030 m<sup>3</sup> of mixed species.

The species breakdown within the merchantable forest area is roughly:

- 9,945 m<sup>3</sup> more or less, of softwood (Swd), comprised of 6,746 m<sup>3</sup> more or less, of Black Spruce (bS) and 2,775 m<sup>3</sup> more or less Balsam Fir (bF); and 424m<sup>3</sup> classified as other Swd species.
- 3,085 m<sup>3</sup> more or less, of hardwood (Hwd)

**See Appendix B: Map of Timber Sale Agreement Area**

**See Appendix C: TSA Merchantable Volume Computation Sheet**

**Notes / Disclaimers:**

- The estimated timber volume is based on a cruise sample of the proposed cutting area. The actual timber volume may be higher or lower. A map indicating the cruised stands is included in this invitation.
- The estimated volumes are not based on taper equations or site specific conditions (rot, steep slopes).
- Timber Sale Agreement Areas may contain silviculturally treated stands (e.g. PCT, planting, etc.). These stands are generally not included in volume estimates are not approved for harvest.
- Applicants are strongly advised to verify all timber volumes in this invitation prior to submitting a bid.
- Regardless of the methods used in the cruising of timber, Fisheries and Land Resources does not guarantee timber volumes or species composition.
- Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture are not responsible for the profitability of timber harvesting operations carried out under this invitation.

## RESOURCE ROAD REQUIREMENTS

All activities related to resource access are the responsibility of the Company. All forestry operations on Crown land must comply with the *Forestry Act*, associated regulations, and all other municipal, provincial and federal laws and regulations. All road construction activities must be done so in accordance with the Department’s Environmental Management System and must follow standard operating procedures.

All resource road construction and maintenance must be in accordance with applicable legislation and follow the **Construction Standards for Resource Roads in Newfoundland and Labrador**.

### Overview of Resource Road Responsibilities

Component	TSA Operational Roads/Landings/Trails
Planning	FLR propose, applicant must accept or resubmit for approval
Layout	TSA Holder
Construction	TSA Holder
Maintenance	TSA Holder
Decommissioning / Rehabilitation	Not Applicable

Applicants are asked to review the suggested Resource Access Plan before submitting bids. All parties are encouraged to visit the TSA area to verify the information presented in this package. If the applicant determines that revisions are necessary to the suggested Resource Access Plan, then they must submit a revised Resource Access plan for review and consideration with their bid.

## SUGGESTED RESOURCE ACCESS PLAN

1. All Merchantable volume within the approved harvest block is accessible with the existing road network, utilizing a forwarding distance of 750 meters.
2. The primary resource road was graded in the summer of 2015. It is recommended to visit the area prior to the commencement of harvesting operations to assess current road conditions and determine grading requirements.
3. There are approximately 7.5 kilometers of existing resource roads within the boundary of the TSA.

**See Appendix D: Suggested Resource Access Map**

### Notes / Disclaimers:

- Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture are not responsible for access to the proposed cutting block.
- Approval of the application does not warrant unimpeded access to the proposed area as a result of natural occurrences or otherwise.
- Road construction is not to begin until TSA contract has been signed.
- All work will be monitored by the Department of Fisheries and Land Resources.

## HOW TO SUBMIT BID:

Bid packages can be submitted anytime.

Packages may be submitted by:

1. Regular Mail:

TSA Selection Committee  
c/o Director Forestry Regional Services  
Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture  
192 Wheelers Road  
P.O. Box 2006, Corner Brook, NL A2H OJ1

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**Note:** If submitting by regular mail, please ensure you allow enough time for the application to be received before the closing date.

2. Electronic Mail:

Email complete applications to: [timbersaleagreement@gov.nl.ca](mailto:timbersaleagreement@gov.nl.ca)

Subject Line: **TSA-004-18 Pine Pond**

3. Delivered in Person:

TSA Selection Committee  
c/o Director Forestry Regional Services  
Fisheries, Forestry and Agriculture  
192 Wheelers Road  
P.O. Box 2006, Corner Brook, NL A2H OJ1

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Completed Applications will **not** be accepted:

- via Facsimile Transmission (FAX); or
- at local Forest Management District Offices.

**Notes/Disclaimers:**

- An applicant must comply with the requirements of this invitation.
- An applicant cannot withdraw its application after the deadline for submitting applications has passed.
- An applicant may withdraw its application prior to the deadline for submitting applications, by submitting a letter requesting the withdrawal. This letter must be:
  - received before the deadline of submission; and
  - signed by the applicant.
- An applicant is not required to submit a down payment at the time of bid submission.
- It is the responsibility of the applicant to ensure all relevant information is supplied at the time of submission.
- Successful applicants will be notified by the Director, Forestry Regional Services of their bid acceptance within 30 days of the application deadline.
- All documents submitted to Fisheries and Land Resources, become the property of the Province, and will be subject to the disclosure provisions under the *Freedom of Information Act*.

## ATTACHMENTS

- Appendix A - Map of Timber Sale Agreement Location
- Appendix B - Map of Timber Sale Agreement Area
- Appendix C - TSA Merchantable Volume Computation Sheet
- Appendix D - Suggested Resource Access Map

## TSA APPLICATION CHECKLIST

- I have read and understood the Timber Sale Agreement Application Guide.
- I have included a completed TSA Application Form.
- I have included additional business information (if applicable).
- I have included a revised resource access plan (if applicable).
- I have included a proposed harvesting schedule (if applicable).

## Appendix A

### Map of Timber Sale Agreement Location



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LOCATION MAP

Timber Sale Agreement (TSA)

TSA ID: TSA-004-18

Forest Management District (FMD): 08



### Map Legend

- Paved Road
- TCH
- Existing Road Resource Road
- Pine Pond TSA Area
- WaterBody



## Appendix B

### Map of Timber Sale Agreement Area

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### Map Legend

- Cruise Plot Location - With Identifier
- Water
- Volume Calculation Stands - With Identifier
- No Volume Calculated
- Planting
- Water Buffer
- TSA Boundary



### TSA Data Summary:

Number of Sample Plots:	97
Total Stand Area:	121 ha
Softwood Volume:	9,945 m <sup>3</sup>
Hardwood Volume:	3,085 m <sup>3</sup>
Total Volume:	13,030 m <sup>3</sup>

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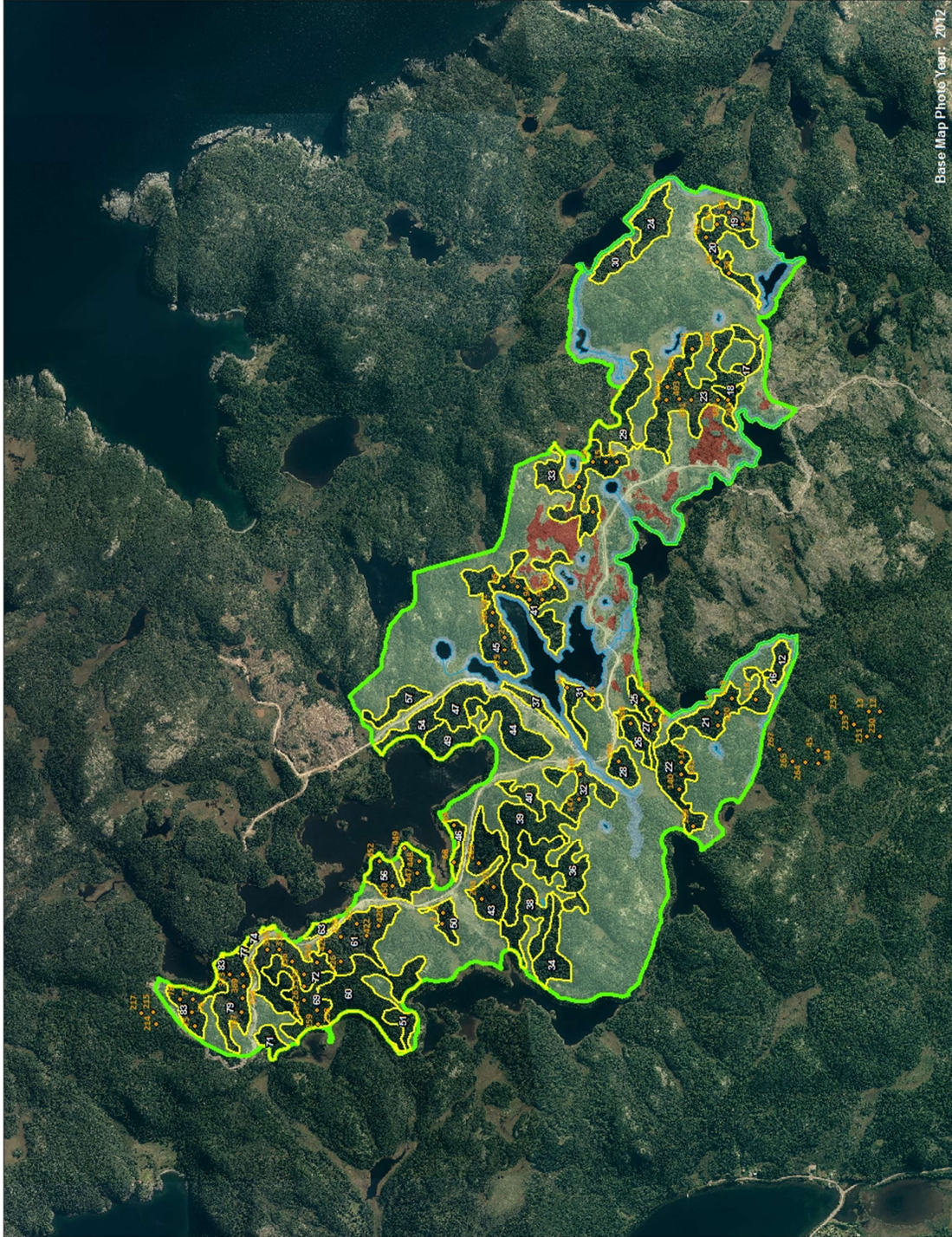


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Base Map Photo Year: 2012

## Appendix C

### TSA Merchantable Volume Compilation Sheet

**Volume Report: TSA 004-18 – Pine Pond**

Stand ID	Stand Type	Softwood Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Hardwood Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Total Volume (m <sup>3</sup> )	Area (ha)
12	bSbF442M	98	7	104	1
16	bSbF643P	14	1	15	0
17	bFbSwB543M	56	45	101	1
18	bFwB443M	50	20	70	1
19	bS543M	143	13	156	1
20	bS543M	308	27	335	3
21	bFbS553M	334	33	367	4
22	bFbSwB543M	177	143	321	4
23	bSwBbF542M	572	296	868	8
24	bSwBbF542M	179	93	272	3
25	bS533P	49	0	49	1
26	bSbF542P	140	10	150	1
27	bS543M	162	14	177	2
28	bS542M	162	5	167	1
29	bFbSwB442M	255	132	387	4
30	bSwBbF543M	71	93	165	1
31	bFbS542P	142	11	152	1
32	bSbF743P	169	0	169	3
33	bSbF443M	316	0	316	5
34	bFbSwB553M	209	145	354	3
36	bSbF542M	935	0	935	4
37	bFbS543P	45	12	57	1
38	bSbF543M	351	43	394	3
39	bS442M	622	43	665	5
40	bFbSwB543M	57	46	103	1
41	bFbS543P	212	56	267	4
42	bFbSwB443M	102	82	184	2
43	wBbSbF543M	178	234	412	5
44	bSbFwB542M	264	137	401	4
46	bFbS543M	81	14	95	1
47	bS541M	364	7	371	2
49	bSbFwB542M	155	80	236	2
50	bF443M	56	15	71	1
51	bFbSwB543M	60	48	108	1
54	bSbFwB543M	162	84	246	2
56	bSbFwB543P	197	159	356	4
57	bS442P	192	13	205	2

60	bSbFwB442P	483	250	733	7
61	bSbFwB543M	364	187	551	5
63	bSbFwB542M	43	22	66	1
69	bS542P	415	107	522	4
71	bSwB542M	72	37	109	1
72	bSbF453M	476	117	594	5
74	bSbFwB442M	29	15	43	0
77	bFbS543M	11	2	13	0
79	bSbFwB443P	187	151	339	4
83	bFbS543M	223	37	260	3
<b>Total:</b>		<b>9,945 m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>3,085 m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>13,030 m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>121 ha</b>

## Appendix D

### Suggested Resource Access Map

**Pine Pond**  
ROAD MAP  
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Map Legend

- Water
- Contours
- Existing Road
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- Bog

