

South Carolina Department of Natural Resources



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Forest Products Sale Notice

Cliff Pitts Wildlife Management Area
Laurens County, South Carolina

The South Carolina Department of Natural Resources (SCDNR) will accept sealed, per ton bids for the sale of approximately 2,385 tons of pine pulpwood to be selectively thinned from approximately 53 acres of planted loblolly pine. Removals will include all trees from every fourth row (or an approximation thereof) and operator-selected smaller and poorly formed trees from side rows. Any high quality mast-producing hardwoods will be left. Additionally, a 2300' corridor, approximately 50' in width, will be clearcut along with a 1.5 acre wildlife opening in the center of the stand. SCDNR does not guarantee these advertised volumes or acreages, and bidders are encouraged to make their own determinations.

The sale area is part of, and located on SCDNR's Cliff Pitts WMA in western Laurens County. It is located approximately 5 miles northeast of Ware Shoals and 10.5 miles southwest of Laurens along SC Hwy 252 and on the east side of the Reedy River. The sale area can be accessed by turning south off of SC Hwy 252 onto Hood Creek Road. The attached sale map is believed to be reliable and accurate, but is not absolutely guaranteed.

Bids will be accepted until 11:00 a.m. on June 15, 2016 at SCDNR Headquarters, 1000 Assembly Street, Columbia, SC – Room 202, at which time the bids will be publicly opened. Bids may be delivered to the opening; mailed to Gary Burger, Statewide Forester, P.O. Box 167, Columbia, SC 29202; or e-mailed to burgerg@dnr.sc.gov. All bids should be signed by the bidder and clearly marked "Cliff Pitts WMA 2016 Timber Sale". NO VERBAL or FAX BIDS will be ACCEPTED. Mailed bids must be received by 4:00 p.m. on June 14, 2015. SCDNR reserves the right to reject any or all bids.

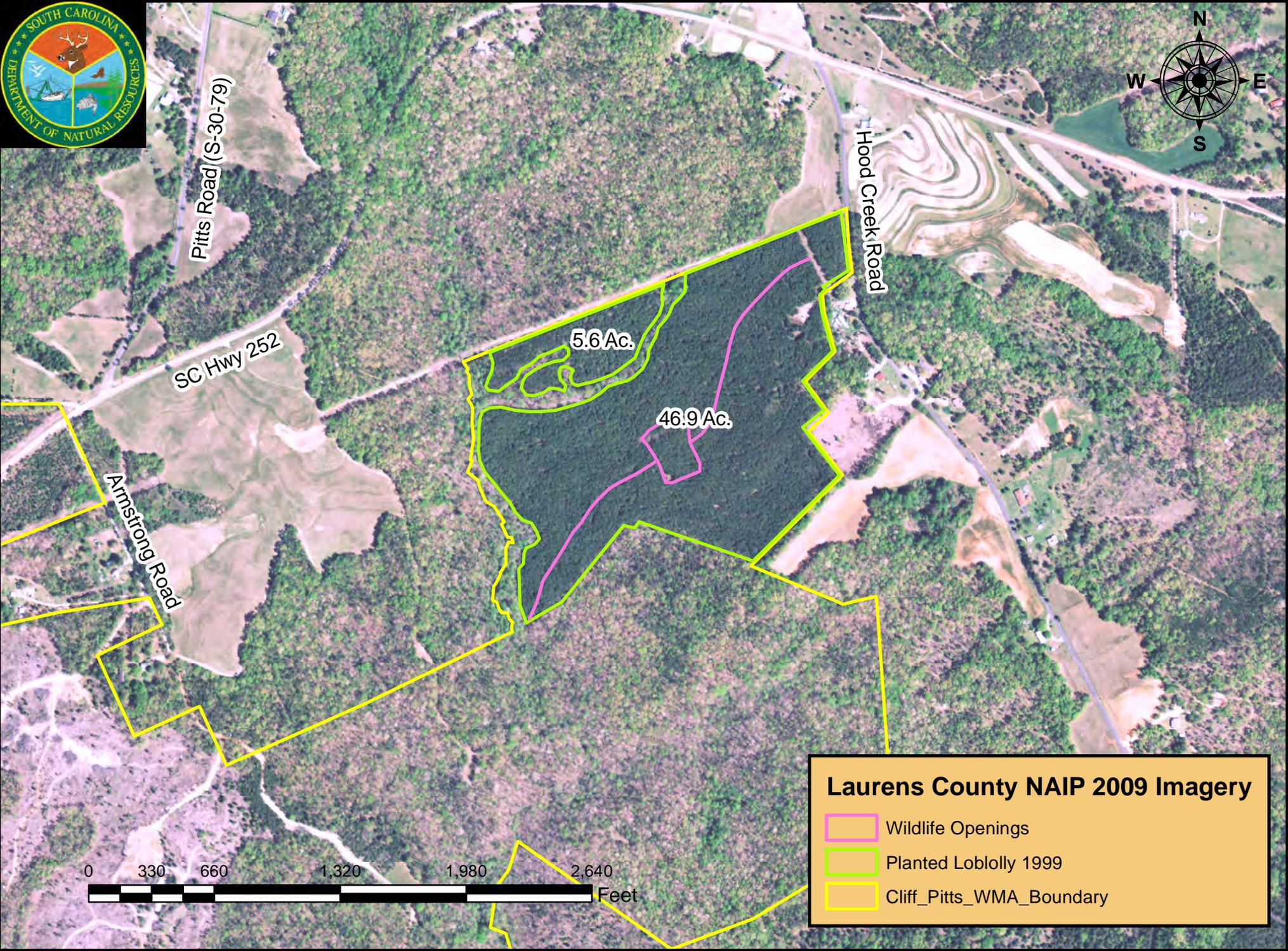
The successful bidder will have 12 months to remove the timber and a \$3,000 performance bond in the form of a cashier's check or company check will be required within 10 days of notification of award. The performance bond will be held by SCDNR in a non-interest bearing account until satisfactory completion of the harvesting operation. Payments for timber removed, mill tickets, and settlement accountings will be mailed to SCDNR Headquarters in Columbia or delivered to Gary Burger on a weekly basis.

A pre-harvest conference between the successful bidder and SCDNR will be held prior to the commencement of harvest, and BMP compliance will be required. SCDNR advises bidders of their interest in protecting the plants, wildlife, educational, cultural, and aesthetic values that exist on the tract. All logging decks, equipment, felled trees, and debris will be confined to the sale area. Damage to adjoining areas and/or excessive damage to residual trees may incur assessment of damages to the buyer. No logging will be allowed when the ground is subject to rutting, but wet weather extensions may be granted for extensive delays. Existing internal roads will be utilized but must be left free of logging debris and in good condition. The return of the performance bond will be contingent on SCDNR's inspection of these conditions.

For further information contact Gary Burger at (803) 429-3900 or at the e-mail address above.

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Cliff Pitts WMA Timber Sale 2016



Pitts Road (S-30-79)

SC Hwy 252

Armstrong Road

Hood Creek Road

5.6 Ac.

46.9 Ac.

0 330 660 1,320 1,980 2,640 Feet

Laurens County NAIP 2009 Imagery

- Wildlife Openings
- Planted Loblolly 1999
- Cliff_Pitts_WMA_Boundary