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Land Commissioner's Office
Government Services Center
320 W 2nd Street, Suite 302
Duluth, MN 55802
218-726-2606

Pike Lake Area Office
5713 Old Miller Trunk Highway
Duluth, MN 55811
218-625-3700

Virginia Area Office
7820 Highway 135
Virginia, MN 55792
218-742-9898

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NOTICE OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY SEALED BID BLACK SPRUCE TOPS AUCTION

Notice is hereby given that the St. Louis County Auditor shall sell to the highest bidder the designated timber located on the following described parcels of land forfeited to the State for the nonpayment of taxes, which have been classified and appraised as provided by Minnesota Statutes 282.04, Subd. 1(1982) subject, in part, to the following conditions:

- To be eligible to bid at a St. Louis County Timber auction, a Responsible Operator Application Form must be on file at the St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department, 320 West 2nd Street, Suite 302, Duluth, MN 55802, at least **2 working days prior** to the auction. An application can be obtained at any Land and Minerals Department Office.
- The timber will be sold to the highest bidder, but for not less than the total appraised **Tract Value**. A bid value per unit must be indicated for each species listed. This bid value will be applied to each specie. Bid value per unit must meet or exceed the appraised bid value per unit. St. Louis County reserves the right to accept or reject any or all bids.
- All bid forms must be received in the Land Commissioner's Office **by 4:30 P.M. on July 31st**. All bids must be on the official bid form and sealed in an envelope.
- A \$300 bid bond, i.e. personal check, payable to the **St. Louis County Auditor** is required and must be included in the envelope with the bid form. One bid bond will cover all tracts and will be returned if the bids are not the successful bidder. For a successful bidder, the bid bond will be applied to the down payment on the first tract awarded.
- Successful bidders will have **10 days** to submit a check, payable to the County Auditor, for the specified down payment of the appraised tract value for each tract awarded. Failure to make any or all of these down payments on time will result in the forfeiture of the bid bond. Successful bidders will be notified by mail.
- Should the successful bidder not submit the down payment on time, the sale may be awarded to the next highest bidder. In the case of tie bids, the successful bidder will be decided by the toss of a coin by the Auditor.
- St. Louis County has developed an Environmental Management System to assist it in meeting the Sustainable Forestry Initiative (SFI) standard and is certified to this standard.
- Some of the tracts may have special requirements. Prospective bidders should get maps, cutting regulations, contract information and special regulations at the applicable Area Office.

Tracts 1 through 3 contact:
Virginia Area Office
Mark Kailanen, Area Land Manager
7820 Highway #135
Virginia, MN 55792

218-742-9898

Tract 4 contact:
Pike Lake Area Office
Mark Pannkuk, Area Land Manager
5713 Old Miller Trunk Highway
Duluth, MN 55811

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St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department does not accept cash payments.
Payment must be made by Check or Money Order.

Published as follows is the list of timber to be offered at public auction sale as announced and advertised in the official newspaper within this county.

St. Louis County August 1, 2019 Black Spruce Tops Auction Listing

Tract #1 Number of Blocks: 1 Sec 34-35, Twp 57N, Rge 14W
V19-571435 Acres: 9.5 Sale Administrator: Nick Hoff
Unorganized Township
Virginia Area
ID: C19190082 Sale Expiration: December 31, 2019

SOAV Black Spruce Tops 18,225 pieces @ \$0.15 = **\$2,733.75**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$683.44

Comments: Sale requirements involve cutting all tamarack and a self directed thinning of black spruce with a desired 6'x6' spacing of remaining black spruce crop trees (see harvest provisions). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.

Tract #2 Number of Blocks: 1 Sec 1, Twp 62N, Rge 20W
C19-622001 Acres: 44 Sale Administrator: Chris Lintula
Linden Grove Township
Virginia Area
ID: C19190080 Sale Expiration: December 31, 2019

SOAV Black Spruce Tops 35,000 pieces @ \$0.30 = **\$10,500.00**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$2,625.00

Comments: 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.

Tract #3 Number of Blocks: 1 Sec 19, Twp 61N, Rge 15W
E19-611519 Acres: 27 Sale Administrator: Jim Simons
Kugler Township
Virginia Area
ID: C19190081 Sale Expiration: December 31, 2019

SOAV Black Spruce Tops 29,700 pieces @ \$0.30 = **\$8,910.00**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$2,227.50

Comments: 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.

Tract #4 Number of Blocks: 2 Sec 1, Twp 52N, Rge 20W
F19-522001 Acres: 103 Sale Administrator: John Kloster
Van Buren Township
Pike Lake Area
ID: C19190079 Sale Expiration: December 31, 2020

SOAV Black Spruce Tops 94,348 pieces @ \$0.30 = **\$28,304.40**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$7,076.10

Comments: The block line will be painted if the purchaser decides to pay for one block at a time. 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.