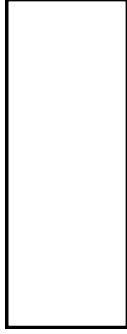




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Land and Minerals Department  
Government Services Center  
320 W. 2nd Street, Suite 302  
Duluth, MN 55802

**9:30 A.M.**



**August 4, 2022**

**Decorative Products Sealed Bid Auction—Government Services Center, Suite 302, Duluth, MN**



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Land Commissioner's Office 320 West 2nd Street, Ste 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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## St. Louis County August 4, 2022 Decorative Products Auction Listing

### NOTICE OF ST. LOUIS COUNTY DECORATIVE PRODUCTS SEALED BID 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:

1. 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.
2. 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.
3. All bid forms must be received in the Land Commissioner's Office **by 4:30 P.M. on August 3rd**. All bids must be on the official bid form and sealed in an envelope.
4. 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.
5. 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.
6. 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.
7. 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.
8. 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. If there is any conflict between the Timber Sale Package and this advertisement, the Timber Sale Package is the controlling document.

Tracts 1, 2 and 3 contact:  
 Virginia Area Office  
 Dave Skurla, Area Land Manager  
 7820 Highway #135  
 Virginia, MN 55792  
  
 218-742-9898

Tracts 4, 5, 6 and 7 contact:  
 Pike Lake Area Office  
 Mark Pannkuk, Area Land Manager  
 5713 Old Miller Trunk Highway  
 Duluth, MN 55811  
  
 218-625-3700

**Decorative Products Sealed Bid Auction will be held at:**

**St. Louis County Land and Minerals Department**

**Government Services Center**

**320 West 2nd Street, Suite 302**

**Duluth, MN 55802**

**9:30 A.M. - August 4, 2022**

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.

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<b>Tract #1</b>	Number of Blocks: 2	Secs 24,25, Twp 62N, Rge 19W
C22-621925		Sale Administrator: Brandon Pierzina
Field Township		
Virginia Area		
ID: C19220054		Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV	Black Spruce Tops 47,213 pieces @ \$0.15 = <b><u>\$7,081.95</u></b>	
Down Payment Required (25%) = \$1,770.49		
Comments: Sale requirements involve cutting Tamarack with a self-directed thinning of Black Spruce (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed. Black Spruce trees average 6 ft tall, 1,936 trees per acre in Block 1 and 1,887 trees per acre in Block 2. Tamarack averages 1 inch diameter, 6.5 ft tall, 277 trees per acre in Block 1 and 413 trees per acre in Block 2. Access to this Black Spruce Top sale will be from Ralph Road, about 1.3 miles south of Cook, MN.		

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<b>Tract #2</b>	Number of Blocks: 1	Sec 19, Twp 61N, Rge 15W
E22-611519		Sale Administrator: Robert Cozzo
Kugler Township		
Virginia Area		
ID: C19220055		Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV	Black Spruce Tops 31,824 pieces @ \$0.15 = <b><u>\$4,773.60</u></b>	
Down Payment Required (25%) = \$1,193.40		
Comments: Sale requirements involve cutting Tamarack with a self-directed thinning of Black Spruce (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed. Tamarack to be removed is 6 ft tall and 950 trees per acre. Black Spruce to be harvested is 4 ft tall and 2,720 trees per acre.		

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<b>Tract #3</b>	Number of Blocks: 1	Sec 29, Twp 58N, Rge 15W
V22-581529		Sale Administrator: Karl Rudstrom
White Township		
Virginia Area		
ID: C19220056		Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV	Black Spruce Tops 3,234 pieces @ \$0.15 = <b><u>\$485.10</u></b>	
Down Payment Required (25%) = \$121.28		
Comments: Sale requirements involve cutting Tamarack and Aspen with a self-directed thinning of Black Spruce (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed. The average size of Tamarack and Aspen to be cut is 7-9 ft tall at 600 trees per acre total. Black Spruce to be cut averages 4-7 ft tall and 1,129 trees per acre.		

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<b>Tract #4</b>	Number of Blocks: 1	Sec 12, Twp 54N, Rge 14W
B22-541412		Sale Administrator: Robert Benson
Unorganized 54 14		
Pike Lake Area		
ID: C19220057		Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV	Birch Stems 3,083 pieces @ \$0.25 = <b><u>\$770.75</u></b>	
Down Payment Required (25%) = \$192.69		
Comments: Sale requirements allow removal of all birch stems under 4" diameter at the stump (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.		

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**Tract #5**                      Number of Blocks: 3                      Secs 11,12, Twp 51N, Rge 20W  
F22-512011                      Sale Administrator: John Kloster  
Floodwood Township  
Pike Lake Area  
ID: C19220058                      Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV                      Black Spruce Tops    63,513 pieces @ \$0.30 = **\$19,053.90**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$4,763.48

Comments: Black spruce top removal (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.

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**Tract #6**                      Number of Blocks: 2                      Sec 18, Twp 53N, Rge 13W & Sec 13, Twp 53N, Rge 14W  
K22-531413                      Sale Administrator: Josh Carlson  
Northstar and Gnesen Townships  
Pike Lake Area  
ID: C19220059                      Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV                      Black Spruce Tops    65,630 pieces @ \$0.30 = **\$19,689.00**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$4,922.25

Comments: Black spruce top removal (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.

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**Tract #7**                      Number of Blocks: 6                      Sec 33, Twp 54N, Rge 15W  
K22-541533                      Sale Administrator: Tim Rutka  
Unorganized Township 54 15  
Pike Lake Area  
ID: C19220060                      Sale Expiration: December 31, 2023

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SOAV                      Birch Stems            87,168 pieces @ \$0.25 = **\$21,792.00**

Down Payment Required (25%) = \$5,448.00

Comments: Sale requirements involve a self-directed thinning of birch (see sale harvest provisions for details). 25% down payment will be held until satisfactory completion of the sale. No extensions allowed.

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