

# Oser Forestry Services

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## Jones Swamp Timber Harvest for Restoration, Escambia County Florida

This timber harvest in southwest Escambia County consists of harvesting, clear-cutting, approximately 34+/- acres of mixed natural and planted slash and longleaf pine. This **per unit sale**, containing an estimated 1,110 tons of green pine timber that experienced a wild fire during 2018. Dead and dying trees were **not** tallied in this estimate but the buyer is expected to haul any dead or dying pines of merchantable size that can be handled safely. The sale boundary consists of pink ribbon, natural drains or fences. Prior to starting the harvesting operation, the buyer and/or logger will meet with the agent, Ken Oser, to review the harvesting boundaries and guidelines. The majority of the tract is upland soils and rutting should not be an issue under normal weather conditions except in select limited areas along the perimeter. For ecological and recreational purposes, rutting will be kept to a minimal and it is preferred to leave an individual pine instead of creating ruts where applicable. The tract is located off of Gulf Beach Highway in the Warrington Community of southwest Pensacola, adjacent to Waycross Avenue and is found in Sections 32 and 33, Township 2 South, Range 31 West, Escambia County, FL, see attached maps. Combination to the lock is 9-0-8-2.

A systematic cruise was made on this tract and the following volumes were derived. Escambia County and Oser Forestry Services do not guarantee these volumes to be 100% accurate, but are made for informational purposes. Attached is a stand table of the timber to be harvested.

Pine Pulpwood (including tops)	419 tons
Pine Chip-N-Saw	308 tons
Pine Sawtimber	383 tons

The following shall be required of the buyer:

- The County reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to waive any irregularity in bids received.
- Bids must be submitted on company letterhead signed by an authorized agent and include prices per ton and product specifications of products to be harvested.
- Contract closing will be within 30 days of notification and the buyer will pay any and all closing costs.
- The buyer will be required to provide a certificate of insurance at contract closing.
- The buyer agrees to have a representative available to provide routine on site supervision of the harvesting operation. This representative must have completed the Florida Master Logger training program or have a comparable certificate of training that complies with the American Forest and Paper Associations Sustainable Forestry Initiative.

- The buyer will be allowed to use the existing roads but will not be allowed to load on them. Ramp areas will be approved by Oser Forestry Services.
- The buyer will comply with all regulations governing timber harvests including Florida's Silvicultural BMP'S. All trash and oil/petroleum products utilized and/or generated during the harvesting operation shall be removed and properly disposed of from the site at the completion of harvesting.
- All dying and dead pines of merchantable size with the bark still holding will be harvested and hauled. The buyer will utilize all products to their highest potential.
- Logging debris will be scattered through the stand as the timber is harvested.
- Stumps will be no higher than 6 inches above the ground unless authorized by Oser Forestry Services and rutting will be limited to 8 inches before backing out.
- Oser Forestry Services must be notified at least 48 hours before logging begins or resumes and the buyer agrees to coordinate their logging operation with him.
- All roads will be returned to their original condition less normal wear at the completion of harvesting and maintained during harvesting by the buyer.
- The buyer's representative will maintain a daily logging ledger (supplied or approved by the agent) that will be available to Oser Forestry Services at all times, and a copy of this ledger will be sent to the agent with the scale tickets and settlement check on a weekly basis. The ledger will include the load ticket number (provided by agent) that will be attached to each truck load of forest product harvested and corresponding receipt load number will be attached to each scale ticket.
- Oser Forestry Services and Escambia County have the power to stop harvesting at all times.
- A \$2,500 performance bond will be required at contract closing and the buyer will assume all closing expenses.
- The buyer will have 6 months from contract closing to harvest the timber. If due too unusually wet weather conditions, greater than the average county rainfall during the contract period, an extension will be granted.

Bids including a brief description/specification of the products to be harvested are to be submitted electronically to Jeff Hester at [jehester@myescambia.com](mailto:jehester@myescambia.com) and must be received by 2:00 PM April 13, 2020. The winning bid, after notification, will need to register with Escambia County's Vendor Registry ([www.vendorregistry.com](http://www.vendorregistry.com) ). For more information of the sale, please call Ken Oser at 850- 623-8687 or Jeff Hester 850-554-2784.

Thank you,

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Escambia Co., Jones Environmental Preserve Sale  
 Located Within  
 Sections 32 and 33, Township 2 South, Range 31 West,  
 Escambia County, Florida  
 34 +/- Acres

VOLUME OF MERCHANTABLE TIMBER

Pine Pulpwood*	419 Tons
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MERCHANTABLE GREEN TIMBER STOCKING TABLE BY PRODUCT

Pine Pulpwood		Chip-N-Saw		Pine Sawtimber	
DBH	No.	DBH	No.	DBH	No.
5	307	8	30	11	79
6	107	9	308	12	40
7	470	10	346	13	80
8	390	11	95	14	69
9	71	12	<u>40</u>	15	60
10	19	Total	819	16	30
11	16			17	13
12	27			18	12
14	20			19	16
15	<u>17</u>			20	5
Total	1444			22	<u>4</u>
				Total	408

- Includes tops