

Spring Creek #2 Ash Removal and Swamp Hardwood Thinning

Located in Section 33 T32N R7W Town of Birch Creek

Total Sale Area: (approximately 28 acres)

The table below contains an estimate of the amount of each species/product. There is no minimum bid for each species; however **the total minimum bid that is acceptable for Tract 17-16 is \$ 7,555.00.**

Species	Amount	
	tons	MBF
Mixed Hdwd Cordwood* (4" top) (4600 lbs/cord)	575	
Mixed Hdwd Logs*		25

*Includes 70% or more Black Ash.

Sale Area Description:

The purpose of the proposed harvest system is to promote all swamp hardwood species other than ash. The goal is to shift species composition away from ash in preparation for infestation by the Emerald Ash Borer. Red Maple, Yellow Birch, White Pine, Spruce, and Tamarac are example of residual species desired as a seed source.

The boundaries of this sale are marked with a red paint line.

Cutting Requirements:

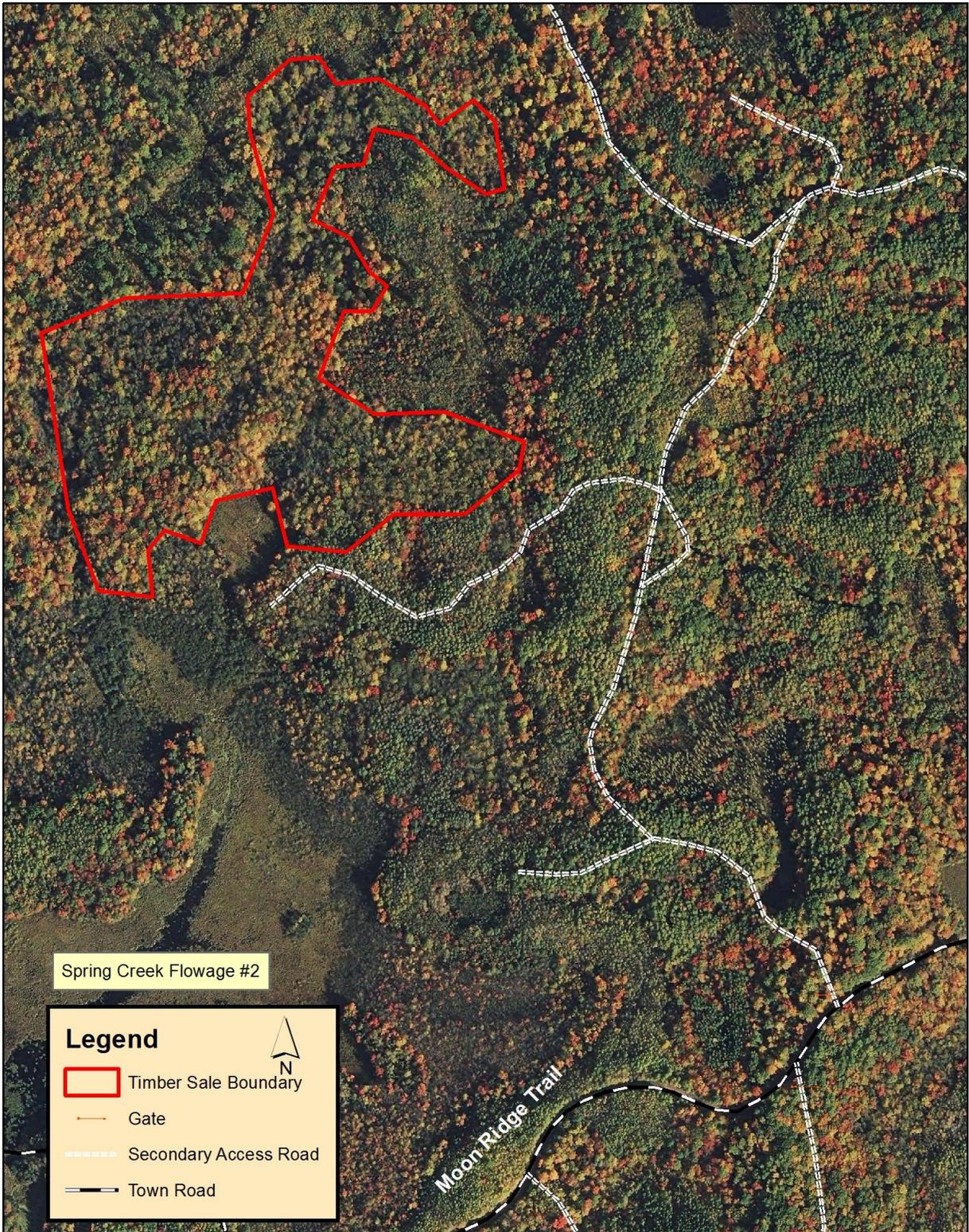
Cut all merchantable ash (5" DBH or greater) and trees marked with orange paint. **Do not** cut any other trees unless necessary for operations and pre-approved by the County. Leave all snags, den trees, and conifers.

Special Conditions:

- **Harvest activity is permitted only when frozen ground conditions exist.**
- The contract length is approximately 1.5 years and will expire on March 31, 2018. In the event that the 2016-2017 and 2017-2018 winters are conducive to operation within these timber stands (as determined by the County), contract extension will NOT be considered and contractors may forfeit some or all of the financial assurance provided for this timber sale contract.
- Timber mats or other stream crossing BMP's approved by the County may be required. The County's timber mats may be available at no charge (first-come, first-served). Stream crossings shall be minimized.
- *Leave all snags (dead trees) unless they present a safety hazard. Use caution to limit the disturbance of Course Woody Debris (CWD) on the forest floor. (ie) down logs greater than 12 inches in diameter.*
- The contractor will be responsible for snow plowing.
- All landing locations must be approved.
- All hardwood logs, (except aspen) 10" or larger on the small end will be charged at the appropriate saw log stumpage rate.
- All slash must be lopped and scattered to lie within two feet of the ground. All slash and logging debris must remain within the sale boundaries and kept from wetlands, lakes and trails.

MAP ON BACK

Spring Creek #2 Ash Removal and Swamp Hardwood Thinning on
~ 28 Acres (Frozen Ground Only) - Tract 17-16



Map Not To Scale