The U.S. Senate confirmed Secretary Perdue by a vote of 87-to-11 on Monday evening. After Secretary Perdue took the oath of office, he addressed employees at the U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA) before getting to work on his first day. Also this morning, USDA launched his official Twitter handle: @SecretarySonny.

About Secretary Perdue: Sonny Perdue came by his knowledge of agriculture the old fashioned way: he was born into a farming family in Bonaire, Georgia. From childhood, and through his life in business and elected office, Perdue has experienced the industry from every possible perspective. Uniquely qualified as a former farmer, agribusiness man, veterinarian, state legislator, and governor of Georgia, he became the 31st United States Secretary of Agriculture on April 25, 2017.

Secretary Perdue mentions forests and foresters right with farmers and ranchers:

“Buy, Sell and Saw Illinois Wood!”

Sonny Perdue Sworn in as 31st U.S. Secretary of Agriculture

The only legacy that I seek is the only one that any grandparent or parent seeks – to be good stewards, and to hand off our nation, our home, our fields, our forests, and our farms to the next generation in better shape than we found it,” Perdue said. “Making sure that Americans who make their livelihoods in the agriculture industry have the ability to thrive will be one of my top priorities. I am committed to serving the customers of USDA, and I will be an unapologetic advocate for American agriculture.”

“As secretary, I will champion the concerns of farmers, ranchers, foresters, and producers, and will work tirelessly to solve the issues facing our farm families,” Perdue said. “I am proud to have been given this opportunity and look forward to rolling up my sleeves and getting to work as we continue to move the USDA and our nation forward.”

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Policy Statements:
Illinois forests and woodlands are critical to the citizens of Illinois and globally far beyond the singular value of wood and fiber production. The Division of Forest Resources integrates and requires on state land and cooperating private lands that important other concerns of soil, water, wildlife, habitats, recreation, aesthetics and cultural resources are addressed while growing, harvesting and regenerating forests. We advocate and outreach forest management principles to all Illinois forest owners.

Demands on Illinois forest resource for all goods and services the forest can provide continue to increase while nearly 90% of Illinois forests remain privately owned. To conserve, enhance and expand the benefits and critical function of Illinois forests it is necessary that forest landowners, government agencies, forest industry and citizens at large work together.

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"Without habitat, there is no wildlife. It's that simple."

— Wildlife Habitat Canada
Marked Timber: Stumpage For Sale

This newsletter is posted on the IDNR Forest Resources website monthly. Deadline for each monthly issue is the third Thursday of the month prior. All submissions of marked timber for sale by consulting foresters, procurement foresters or others must be submitted by the second Thursday. Submissions by consulting foresters working with IFDA cooperators must adhere to the timber recommendations approved in the landowner’s written management plan. Foresters working with landowners at large must adhere to recommended silviculture for Illinois forest types. Submissions may be sent US Mail to “ORC-Forestry” at our Springfield office or by email to paul.deizman@illinois.gov.

The following two sales were marked for cutting by a forester of the Illinois Division of Forest Resources or was marked by a consulting forester or similar professional and reviewed by the Illinois Division of Forest Resources. Volumes have been estimated using the Doyle Rule unless otherwise indicated. Deductions have been made for defects. No volume is tallied for culls. Any interested buyers should contact the landowner or their representative directly. The Illinois Division of Forest Resources does not establish the selling price of timber. Buyers must show proof they are currently licensed or an agent of a licensee under the Illinois Timber Buyers Licensing Act.

SALE #1: NOTICE OF TIMBER FOR SALE
Edmonds Tract, Macoupin County, IL
June 15, 2017

Sealed bids are now being accepted for the following marked timber on the woodland of Mr. Richard Edmonds, located in the SW ¼ of Section 17 & W ½ of Section 20, Honey Point Township, Macoupin County, IL. (Stand 1, 2, and parts of Stand 3 surrounded by Stand 1). Merchantable volume was determined by using the Doyle Tree Scale (Girard Form Class 78). The individual saleable trees are marked with ONE BLUE DOT of paint on the stump and on the main bole. Cull trees were marked with a BLUE X and are to be girdled and left if there is no merchantable volume (no merchantable volume was tallied for cull trees).

All licensed buyers bidding on this timber must first contact the seller or his agent and then satisfy themselves by examination as to the quality and quantity of timber offered and accepts the timber with all faults. A prepayment of 10% shall be payable upon award of and as condition of contract.

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<th>Tree Species</th>
<th>Number of Trees</th>
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<th>Estimated Volume (Board Feet)</th>
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<td><strong>704</strong></td>
<td><strong>17.2</strong></td>
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Sale Comments: This is a good quality sale on around 175 acres of timber. Some steep terrain and watercourse navigation may be necessary. Some logging road structure and staging areas are present. Please notify landowner when visiting the property.

Timber Sale Requirements: Illinois Best Management Practices (BMP’s) are required for this sale and are explicitly stated in the landowner’s timber sale contract.

Bid Sale: Submit in advance, or bring in person, Attn: Edmonds, a sealed timber bid by June 15th, 2017. The successful bidder must sign a timber sale contract with the seller within 10 days of receipt of notice award. The seller has the right to reject any or all bids and to waive any defects or irregularities in the bids. Phone-in bids will not be accepted.

Landowner’s Address: Mr. Richard and Carol Edmonds, 19328 Evans Rd. Carlinville, IL 62626.

Timber Buyer’s Name/Firm: ___________________ Timber Bid: $ ___________________
II. Timber Buyer’s License #: ___________________
Edmonds Property

1 inch equals 359 feet

Rick Edmonds
19328 Evans Road
Carlinville, Illinois 62626

Legend

Edmonds
REQUEST FOR TIMBER BIDS: Carlinville Lake Timber, Stand 1, Macoupin County, Il

OWNERS: City of Carlinville, Illinois

TIMBER LOCATION: The property lies about 2.5 miles south of Carlinville, Illinois. It lays in Section 11 of Brushy Mound (9N/7W) Township of Macoupin County. Currently, the total property consists of ~486 acres in timber. Stand 1 consists of 81 acres located adjacent to the lake near the lake dam. See Directions at Bottom.

TYPE OF OFFER: Sealed bids with public bid opening.

TIME & PLACE OF BID OPENING: Thursday, June 15th at Carlinville City Hall – 550 N Broad Street, Carlinville, IL 62626 during Lake Ad Hoc Meeting beginning at 6 pm. Please MAIL or DELIVER your bid to Lake Timber Stand 1 – City of Carlinville, 550 N Broad Street, Carlinville, IL 62626 so that it is received there by 6:00 PM. On June 15, 2017.

TYPE OF HARVEST: Selected and marked high-quality Sawtimber.

SALE VOLUME approx 137,000 Board Feet (Int.1/4 inch) as detailed in attached volume tables.

ACREAGE: 81 acres, more or less

LENGTH of CUTTING TIME: Starting Oct 1, 2017 until April 1, 2019: Winter (frozen) cutting and logging allowed as per a sale contract acceptable to Owner.

TERMS: A timber sales contract acceptable to Owner to be executed no later than June 30th, 2017. A down-payment of 25% of total bid price to be paid to Owner upon execution of the timber sale contract. The balance of the total bid price to be paid to Owner no later than Dec 31, 2017 or the commencement of logging; whichever occurs first.

SHOW DATE: Open for Inspection by Appointment. Appointments may be set by letting representatives of the city know that you will be looking at property. This can be done by contacting City Hall or Bob Caveny. Information and Maps available at City Hall (address on top). Electronic copies of materials are also available with an email sent to rjcaveny@yahoo.com. Bidders must comply with all of Owner’s site safety requirements. List of inspections kept confidential for bidders.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION:
Owner reserves the right to reject any and all bids, in its sole discretion.
Owner may withdraw this request for bids at anytime without liability to any bidder.
Bidders should inspect timber on their own prior to making any bid. The tally is an estimate only.
Sale of timber is subject to Owner’s approval of the Bidder, the execution of a timber sale contract, and Bidders proof of insurance acceptable to Owner, in its sole discretion.
Sample of proposed Timber Sale Contract available on request.
Bidders must be a licensed IL Timber Buyer and will be responsible for submitting 4% harvest fee
Buyer is responsible for obtaining all required permits and complying with all federal, state and local laws and regulatory requirements.
Buyer may cut firewood or utilize tops and residue from designated trees cut.
Buyers must understand and follow the Best Management Practices (BMPs) for Harvesting Timber in Illinois in all harvest operations.
Bidders shall be responsible for and bear all of their own costs and expenses incurred in connection with inspecting, bidding, or harvesting the timber.
Ash log movement out of either the NE IL EAB quarantine or the EAB IL state line quarantine is subject to USDA APHIS approval on a case by case basis and only allowed October 1 to April when approved. Parties shipping/receiving ash logs should contact USDA/APHIS/PPQ at 847-699-2400 for specific approval and paperwork.
Please contact Bob by phone or email or City Hall by phone shown on top of page if you have further questions.

Directions:
From Carlinville, Illinois, head south from the square On S Broad Street. Broad Street turns west and turns into Orange Street. Follow Orange Street 300 ft to Brushy Mound Rd. Turn left (south) on Brushy Mound Road and proceed another 2 miles. Stand one will come into view as you come to the top of the hill after passing Carlinville Lake Road.
The following results are for a 100% cruise: TOTAL NUMBER OF TREES, basal area/acn TOTAL VOLUME for each species, based on all trees.

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**SUMMARY OF VOLUMES**

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<th>Average (Volume/Ac)</th>
<th>Total</th>
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BID FORM
City Of Carlinville
Macoupin County, Illinois
Stand 1 – Approx. 81 Acres

Bid Opening Date: Thursday, June 15th, 2017 City Hall – City of Carlinville, 550 N Broad Street, Carlinville, IL 62626 at Lake Ad Hoc Meeting Beginning at 6 PM.

NAME: _________________________________________________________________
ADDRESS: _____________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
________________________________________________________________________
PHONE #s: ( )________________________________________________________________

Stand 1 Tract Bid Amount: $ ______________________

This bid is valid until Dec 1, 2017 or Date of: ____________________________
(no earlier than Sep 1, 2017)

_________________________________________ ____________________
SIGNATURE DATE

Instructions:
Use this Bid Form including full contact information, bid amount in US dollars, dates and signature.

Please MAIL or DELIVER your bid to Lake Timber – City of Carlinville, 550 N Broad Street, Carlinville, IL 62626 so that it is received there by 6:00 PM. on June 15, 2017.

Whether you mail, deliver or bring your bid form, it must be enclosed in a sealed envelope marked “Timber Bid – Carlinville Lake Timber-Stand 1”. All bids will be confidential until bid opening. Neither the Owner, City of Carlinville, or the Consulting Agent, B Caveny, are responsible for late, missing, incomplete or unreadable bids.

For further information feel free to call Bob at (217) 556-0236 or City Hall at (217) 854-4076 Ext. 33.
Carlinville Lake Property - 270 acres south of Carlinville Lake 1 - Stand 1, 2, and 3
This story can fit 150-200 words.

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