



Attention DNR Timber Purchasers

February 2024 TIMBER AUCTION UPDATE #3 — 2/14/2024

Announcements

- New singular measurement standard for All DNR scaled volumes. All sales sold on or after January 1, 2024 need to comply with the new singular measurement standard. See attached memorandum for additional information.

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- Access to the [Punchbowl VRH Thin](#) Timber Sale **Pacific Cascade Region** is currently open following snow melt and gate repairs. If you have comments, questions, or concerns please contact the Unit Forester, Aaron Nelson at 360-601-0296 or Becky VonDracek in PC Region Product Sales at 360-749-6825. Effective 2/12/2024.

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- [Bowman Hill](#) timber sale in **Northwest Region**: the H-141 clause in the Contract was updated. Effective 2/12/2024.

[Early Timber Sale Previews](#)

- [Tigerilla VRH & VDT](#) timber sale in **South Puget Sound Region**: the Notice of Sale was updated to correct an error in the Estimated Sale Volumes and Quality section. Effective 2/12/2024.

[Current Contract Harvesting Bidding Opportunities](#)

[DNR File Sharing Site](#) for sale shapefiles and GeoPDF maps

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MEMORANDUM
February 14, 2024

To: State Lands Assistants

From: Padraic Callahan, Product Sales ADM (acting)

Subject: New Singular Measurement Standard for All DNR Scaled Volumes.

All sales sold on or after January 1, 2024 need to comply with the new singular measurement standard. All logs scaled for payment originating from DNR timberlands, including all logs scaled for payment from Contract Harvest sales, will have gross log lengths measured as described below.

The new singular method of gross log length measurement is as follows:

- Logs will be measured in 1' multiples with a minimum trim of 8" on logs up to and including 40'.
- Logs not meeting the 8" trim requirement will drop back to the next 1' multiple.
- Logs over 40' will be scaled in 1' multiples using actual taper in accordance with the Westside log scaling rules defined in the Northwest Log Rules Advisory Group Handbook.

Background

The new guidance replaces the current two methodologies used to determine gross log length:

1. **DNR MBF or Stumpage sales** require log lengths to be measured using 1' multiples with a maximum allowable trim of 12" for a given 1' of log length. Any length exceeding the 12" allowable trim is raised to the next 1' multiple on logs up to and including 40'. Logs over 40' will be scaled in 1' multiples using actual taper in accordance with the Westside log scaling rules defined in the Northwest Log Rules Advisory Group Handbook.
2. **DNR Contract Harvest sales** require log lengths to be measured using 2' multiples with a minimum trim requirement of 8" on all logs up to and including 40'. Logs not meeting the 8" minimum trim requirement are reduced in length to the nearest 2' multiple. Logs over 40' will be scaled in 2' multiples using actual taper in accordance with the Westside log scaling rules defined in the Northwest Log Rules Advisory Group Handbook.

New brand designation forms were changed to reflect the new singular method of gross log length measurements.

c. Michael Kearney, PSL Division Manager