

# Contractor's Questions & Answers

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Dry Creek Restoration Wood Harvest

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Bids must be received by 11:00 a.m. PST on **Friday, August 29, 2025.**

Deadline has been extended to determine if TERO applies to this project. If TERO is required, selected contract will need to contact Yakama Nation's TERO office to comply with requirements and pay a 3% fee of the total bid.

## Questions and Answers from Pre-bid tour and correspondence conversations:

1. *Are log staging / decking locations pre-determined?*
  - a. There are three (3) landings identified in the Harvest Unit Map (Figure 3, Addendum 1), if those fill up, **Contractor** will work with **Owner** to identify more landing locations. The decked logs must be accessible for a self-loader to haul logs for a future restoration contract.
2. *How are the rootwads to be decked and what is to be done with the tops?*
  - a. Rootwads are to be decked in ~55' length, cut or broken off +/- 3'. Tops are to be staged in separate 'slash' piles available to be hauled by self-loader. Limbs are to be quickly knocked off to ease hauling logistics.
3. *Is the spur road, 6400202, to be blocked or tank trapped after the trees are decked?*
  - a. No.
4. *Is there working in the wet restrictions?*
  - a. This unit has minimal buffers, limited restrictions, and only one perineal stream. Map will be provide.
5. *How is the winter access?*
  - a. This unit is at 1700', in a typical winter it does get snow but melts off quickly. In previous seasons, contractors have been available to work in this area throughout the winter. The 64 road is closed ~November to March, contractor will have access through this locked gate during this time.

6. *What needs brushing and grubbing?*
  - a. Spur road 6400202 needs to be brush out for contractor access and self-loader access in summer 2026, this road has not been used and has downed trees. Contractor will need to grub out access paths from harvest to show minimal impact.
7. *Do the root cavities need to be treated?*
  - a. Yes. Smooth out with the back of the bucket and quickly grub.
8. *Are only the biggest trees to be taken?*
  - a. No. This is a thinning harvest, trees are to be evenly thinned.
9. *Will the boundary and trees be marked?*
  - a. Boundary will be marked. **Contractor** will harvest at 21' spacing. GIS points and/or Avenza maps will be provided for selected Contractor to identify boundary and ¼ acre skip & leave gaps. Trees will be marked if staff is available, if staff are not available then **Owner** will work with **Contractor** to achieve proper thinning objective.
10. *How will the trees be counted once the job is done?*
  - a. **Owner** will walk the project site with the **Contractor** to confirm quantity of rootwad trees and condition of harvest unit.
11. *Will harvest maps be provided?*
  - a. Yes. A harvest unit map is attached to Addendum 1 and Avenza or GIS maps will be available for selected contractor.
12. *Are skid routes predetermined?*
  - a. No, skid routes are to be identified by the **Contractor** and they are to be grubbed after to show minimal impact.