Negotiated Rulemaking Meeting Notes – April 5, 2022

Name of Negotiated Rulemaking: Rules for Selling Forest Products on State-Owned Endowment Lands (IDAPA 20.02.14)
Docket number: 20-0214-2201
Location: Coeur d’Alene, Idaho and Zoom teleconference/web conference
Date/Time: Tuesday, April 5, 2022 – 9:30 a.m. to 9:50 a.m. PT
Attendees: See participant list
Facilitated by: Jeremy Shawver, Lands Section Manager – Timber Sales & Contract Administration, Idaho Department of Lands (IDL)

This is the first of 2 scheduled meetings during the public comment period March 2 – May 11, 2022.

Jeremy Shawver presented an overview of rulemaking and reviewed the draft rule changes. Discussion:

Section 020. Direct Sales
Ryan Dickison: Is IDL going to increase direct sale limit to 200 MBF?

Jeremy Shawver: Not going there yet but it’s under consideration to be recommended to the Land Board to make that change. Statute allows up to 200, but current Land Board policy is up to 100.

Section 042. Timber Sale Cancellation
Ryan Dickison: Do we have any language in our timber sale contract that requests written cancellation?

Jeremy Shawver: We’ll look into it. After reviewing the contracts, there is no specific language in our contracts about the cancellation process. The first sentence in the rule states written request is required to initiate cancellation. This matches IDL’s procedure.

042. TIMBER SALE CANCELLATION.
It is the purchaser’s responsibility to initiate cancellation by submitting such request in writing to the respective supervisory area office. When all contractual requirements have been completed, final payments have been received, all load tickets have been accounted for, and a written request for cancellation has been received by the Department. Once the cancellation process has finished, any credit balances and all cash bonds will be returned and/or transferred to other timber sale accounts within forty-five (45) days, as requested by the purchaser.