STATE OF ALABAMA DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION AND NATURAL RESOURCES STATE LANDS DIVISION

INVITATION FOR BIDS FOR THE LEASE OF TRACTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING

The Commissioner of the Alabama Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, through its State Lands Division (State Lands) previously awarded 5-year leases for the 2025-2030 Hunting Lease cycle pursuant to a Complete Announcement of Auction for Hunting Leases dated April 17, 2025 (Hunting Lease Announcement). State Lands is now accepting <u>written</u> bids via email for tracts that did not successfully lease pursuant to the Hunting Lease Announcement or are otherwise currently available for 5-year leases during the 2025-2030 Hunting Lease cycle which ends June 30, 2030.

All bids submitted must be in an amount <u>equal to or greater than</u> the minimum for the first-year lease rental amount as detailed in the "September 2025 List of 2025-30 Hunting Tracts" (September List of Tracts) set forth below. Specification of a minimum bid amount to be considered does not suggest acceptance of any bid which may equal or exceed that amount.

Bids will be accepted <u>separately</u> for each individually numbered tract (in its entirety). Lump sum bids for all tracts or combinations/portions of tracts will not be considered. The bid may be written in any form but must separately state **FOR EACH INDIVIDUAL TRACT** the following:

TRACT NUMBER: (See below September List of Tracts for Individual Tract #)
BID AMOUNT: (Amount of first year's rental in an amount no less than minimum identified in the September List of Tracts)
NAME OF LESSEE: (As it will appear on the lease)
NAME OF BIDDER:
BIDDER MAILING ADDRESS:
BIDDER EMAIL ADDRESS:
BIDDER CELL NUMBER:

Bids must be received by State Lands <u>NO LATER THAN 4:00 PM, OCTOBER 9, 2025</u>. NO BID SHALL BE RECEIVED FOR ANY REASON ANY TIME AFTER THIS DEADLINE. IT SHALL BE THE **SOLE RESPONSIBILITY** OF THE BIDDER TO ENSURE **ACTUAL RECEIPT** OF THE BID BY THE STATE LANDS DIVISION PRIOR TO THIS DEADLINE. Bids should be submitted <u>by email</u> as follows:

Beginning at 10:00 AM on October 10, 2025, all bids will be reviewed by State Lands. As soon as practicable upon completion, an unofficial list of high bids will be posted to https://www.outdooralabama.com/Sept2025HuntingLeaseBids.

State Lands will then attempt to contact high bidder(s) to provide instructions as to next steps toward lease execution (including process in the event of tie bids). It is the sole responsibility of each bidder to provide accurate and legible email and cell phone contact information.

Regardless of successful contact made by State Lands, the high bidder must deliver no later than 4:00 PM on October 24, 2025, ALL of the following:

- (1) a <u>certified check</u> or <u>a cashier's check</u> (<u>NO PERSONAL CHECKS, CASH OR MONEY ORDERS</u>) made payable to the "State Lands Division" for the amount of the successful high bid; and
- (2) a <u>SEPARATE certified check</u> or <u>a cashier's check</u> (<u>NO PERSONAL CHECKS, CASH OR MONEY ORDERS</u>) made payable to the "State Lands Division" for the "Reimbursement" amount (for remaining tract appraisal/advertising costs) as identified on the September List of Tracts.
- (3) For tracts listed as not having public access, evidence of high bidder's right to access the tract in a form that is acceptable to State Lands

State Lands reserves the right to <u>immediately</u> proceed with the next highest bidder(s) in the event the required payment is not properly submitted by the initial high bidder and/or actually received by State Lands by this deadline. State Lands further reserves all rights and conditions previously set forth in the Hunting Lease Announcement including, but not limited to, the right to withdraw any or all tracts from consideration; to reject any or all bids; and further to negotiate a higher lease price for the lease of the property with the highest bidder.

Bids awarded for 2025-30 Hunting Lease Tracts pursuant to this September 2025 Invitation will also be subject to the terms and conditions of the lease required to be executed by successful bidders. A copy of the sample lease agreement, Hunting Lease Announcement, and maps corresponding to the individual tract numbers set forth in the September List of Tracts below are available at https://www.outdooralabama.com/Sept2025HuntingLeaseBids or by calling State Lands at 334-242-3484.

Before submitting a bid, potentially interested bidders <u>must</u> review the terms set forth in the sample lease which include Lessee's responsibility to establish and maintain all necessary right to access and be able to evidence such rights in a form acceptable to the State Lands Division.

A successful bidder must complete the lease transaction within thirty (30) days of the official bid award date or forfeit the submitted bid check and reimbursement check.

The State does not warrant nor guarantee either title or access to <u>any</u> tracts and further does not warrant or guarantee the condition of said tracts or any improvements related thereto. <u>All bidders should satisfy themselves as to the State's title, accuracy of acreage offered, tract condition and tract accessibility.</u> The listing of certain tracts specifically identified as having no public access does not constitute any representation or guarantee that other tracts do have public access.

Officers and employees of the Department of Conservation and Natural Resources, as well as members of their families, shall be excluded from bidding on any tract described herein. Where

applicable, as noted in the September List of Tracts, additional individuals may also be excluded from bidding on specified tracts.

The Department of Conservation and Natural Resources does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, age, sex, national origin, disability, pregnancy, genetic information or veteran status in its hiring or employment practices nor in admission to, access to, or operations of its programs, services, or activities.

September 2025 LIST OF 2025-30 HUNTING TRACTS

TRACT MINIMUM BID AMOUNTS & LOCATION:

The listing of certain tracts in this list identified as having "no public access" does not constitute any representation or guarantee that other tracts do have public access.

(Note: Any bid in an amount less than the minimum bid for the first year's rental amount for each parcel will not be considered.)

- **#26. Marion County** T10S, R14W, entire Section 16; containing 640± acres. **Minimum Bid \$7,000.00** (Reimbursement \$2,325.00)
- **#31. Mobile County** T2S, R3W, the NWNE, SWNE, SENE and the NESE of Section 3; containing 160± acres. **Minimum Bid \$1,970.00** (Reimbursement \$145.00) <u>BOW HUNTING ONLY!</u>
- **#32. Mobile County** T6S, R2W, the SENE and the NESE of Section 3; containing 76± acres. **Minimum Bid \$1,100.00** (Reimbursement \$145.00) <u>BOW HUNTING ONLY!</u>
- **#58. Walker County** T14S, R8W, the N2NE of Section 36; containing 80± acres. **Minimum Bid \$680.00** (Reimbursement \$145.00)
- **#61. Walker County** T14S, R6W, the NWSW of Section 19; containing 40± acres. **Minimum Bid - \$340.00** (Reimbursement \$145.00)

THE FOLLOWING TRACTS DO NOT HAVE PUBLIC ACCESS

- **#73. Baldwin County** T4S, R5E, the SWSE and SESW of Section 35; containing 80± acres. **Minimum Bid \$930.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#74. Bibb County** T21S, R5W, the SESW of Section 16; containing 40± acres. **Minimum Bid \$210.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00) <u>BOW HUNTING ONLY!</u>
- **#77. Bibb County** T24N, R11E, the SWNW and the SWSW of Section 8; containing 80± acres. **Minimum Bid \$650.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#80. DeKalb County** T6S, R7E, the SE of Section 16; containing 160± acres. **Minimum Bid \$1,760.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#81. DeKalb County** T9S, R7E, the W2NW of Section 22; containing 80± acres. **Minimum Bid - \$720.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#83. DeKalb County** T9S, R7E, W2SW of Section 32; containing 80± acres. **Minimum Bid \$880.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#84. Etowah County** T10S, R6E, the SESW and the S2SE of Section 12; containing 120± acres. **Minimum Bid \$1,805.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)

- **#85. Etowah County** T10S, R6E, the NWNW of Section 26; containing 40± acres. **Minimum Bid \$500.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- #86. Etowah County T10S, R6E, the SENE of Section 14; containing 40 ± acres. Minimum Bid \$500.00 (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#107. Mobile County** T6S, R4W, the SE fraction of Section 32; containing 96± acres. **Minimum Bid \$816.00** (Reimbursement -\$115.00) <u>BOW HUNTING ONLY!</u>
- **#116. Walker County** T12S, R9W, the NWSE of Section 23; containing 40± acres. **Minimum Bid \$200.00** (Reimbusrement \$115.00)
- **#119. Walker County** T13S, R9W, the E2SW of Section 11; containing 83± acres. **Minimum Bid \$415.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#121. Walker County** T13S, R9W, the S2SW of Section 32; containing 75± acres. **Minimum Bid \$375.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#124. Walker County** T13S, R10W, the SWSW of Section 27; containing 40± acres. **Minimum Bid \$200.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#126. Walker County** T13S, R10W, the SENE of Section 33; containing 40± acres. **Minimum Bid \$200.00** (Reimbursement \$115.00)
- **#127.** Walker County T13S, R10W, the NWSE of Section 34; containing 40± acres. Minimum Bid \$200.00 (Reimbursement \$115.00)

#138. Washington County – T2N, R2W, the SWSE Section 5; containing 39± acres. **Minimum Bid - \$235.00** (Reimbursement - \$115.00) BOW HUNTING ONLY!

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State Lands Division

Date 9/26/25