NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Cripple Horse Timber Sale is located within Section 2, T31N-R29W, on the State's Libby Unit. Approximately 8,030 tons, consisting primarily Douglas-fir sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **December 19, 2018 at 2:00 p.m.** Bids may be hand delivered or mailed and will be accepted any time prior to the bid opening. **DNRC recommends that bidders contact the Trust Land Management Division (406-542-4300) prior to the bid opening to ensure that your bid has been received.** Bids must be accompanied by a deposit of **$8,873.00,** representing 5% of the minimum bid value of the sale in cashier's check, certified check, bank money order or bank draft to be applied to the first sale invoice for the successful bidder. Bid bonds will be accepted and, for the successful bidder, will be closed upon execution of the Timber Sale Contract and Timber Sale Bond.

The sale will be awarded to the highest responsible bidder. If the successful bidder is unable to execute the contract within **30** calendar days from the date the sale is awarded, the bid deposit will be retained by the Department as liquidated damages. The right is reserved to reject any or all bids.

Prospective bidders can obtain the sale prospectus, sale contract and bid forms from the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, Trust Land Management Division, in Missoula (406-542-4300), the Northwestern Land Office in Kalispell (406-751-2257), or the Libby Unit Office in Libby, MT (406-293-2711).

Visit our website at http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/trust/forest-management/timber-sale-information for upcoming sales and bid results.

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name:	**Cripple Horse**		
For specific sale information, contact: Jeremy Rank			
Phone	406-293-2711 x7		Libby Unit Office
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2257	Northwestern	Land Office

General Bidding Information

1. Bids must be submitted on Department of Natural Resources & Conservation (State) bid forms.
2. Timber will be sold to the highest responsible bidder; however, the State reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
3. The State recommends that bidders contact the Forest Management Bureau, Trust Land Management Division (406-542-4300) prior to the bid opening to ensure that your bid has been received.
4. A **Bid Deposit** must accompany all bids and must be in the form of cash, cashiers check, certified check, money order, bank draft, surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit.
5. The Purchaser must submit a **Performance Bond** to the State within 30 days of notification of sale award. The bond amount will be, at a minimum, 20% of the total bid value of the sale. The performance bond may be cash, irrevocable letter of credit, surety bond or certificate of deposit. The performance bond must be maintained separately from other payments for the duration of the Timber Sale Contract. See the Timber Sale Contract for additional information.
6. The purchaser must submit an **Advance Stumpage Payment** prior to cutting any timber. The amount of the advance stumpage payment will cover six weeks of harvesting and be based on the expected harvest rate and the bid value of the stumpage. The advance stumpage payment may be cash, irrevocable letter of credit, payment bond or certificate of deposit.
7. At rates specified in the Contract, the purchaser will pay **Forest Improvement Fees** on all sawlog volume. All applicable **Road Use and/or Maintenance fees** will also be paid by the Purchaser in addition to stumpage payments.
8. This sale is being sold based on the gross weight of all species. Minimum price and bid price are on a per ton basis. Unless otherwise specified, the price applies to all species, green and dead. Price may vary by product. Billing will be based on gross weight. A weight ticket from a certified scale is required for each load hauled, regardless of product type.
9. The State has estimated the net scale merchantable sawlog volume to be sold under this Contract. Other products may be part of this sale. All delivered wood will be weighed and billed at per ton bid rates. The State recognizes that a percentage of delivered wood may not meet the log manufacturing and recovery standards of the Timber Sale Contract. The actual percentage will vary based on the log manufacturing and recovery specifications of the purchaser and tree conditions in the sale area. The actual delivered weight may vary, resulting in an overrun or under-run of the estimated tonnage. The State strongly recommends that bidders evaluate these effects before bidding.
10. The State does not conduct detailed road appraisals. All appraised costs are gross estimates or averages, provided only to show the relative amount of work required, and not the true market value. The State strongly recommends that bidders make their own estimates based on Contract requirements. Cost estimates provided are not guaranteed.
11. Bidders are encouraged to examine the complete Timber Sale Package and Sale Area prior to bidding. Additional information is available at the phone numbers shown above.
12. Estimates for sale volume, species percents, defect, product class, etc. provided in this prospectus and volume estimates listed in the Timber Sale Contract are not guaranteed.
13. This prospectus is provided for information purposes only. If the prospectus is in error or contradicts the Timber Sale Contract, the Contract governs.

Additional Sale Information:

1. Access is located on west side of State Highway 37 at the 23-mile marker.
2. Sale is a Purchaser Leave Tree Selection; therefore, you will not see trees marked to leave or cut. Cutting prescription is detailed in the timber sale contract.

Timber Sale Information Sheet

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Cripple Horse Timber Sale										
Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	WF	CE	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton										$22.10
Pounds per cubic foot	62.00	61.70	58.33	56.00					40.00	
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	185	7,250	541	45					8	8,030 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)										0 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	32	1,172	106	9					3	1,322 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	22	9	24	5					57	10.9%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	25	1,062	81	8					2	1,178 MBF
Average logs per MBF	33.9	22.8	32.4	16					108.1	23.7 logs/M
Average DBH	8.8	11.3	9.9	14					9	11.0 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units										54 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units										0 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale										7.9 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise										116
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between			1,036 and 1,320 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises							12.0%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	8,030 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 1,178 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									6.81 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	6/30/2021	
Operating Period:	Year-round when soil conditions allow (Section VII.L.1&2)	

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	750 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	65.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	0.5 miles

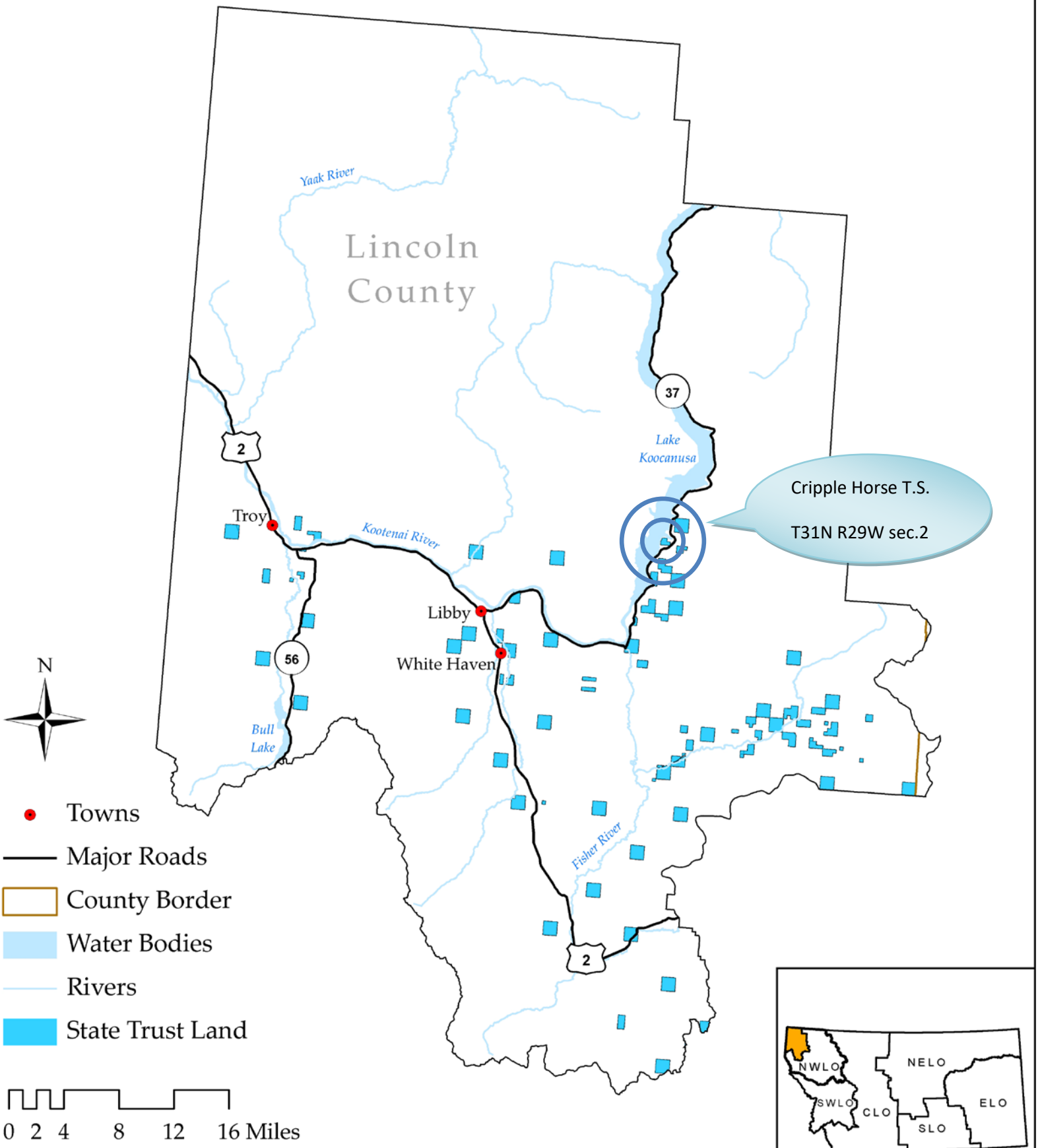
Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	$12.15/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	$1.78/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	$14,293.40
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	$2,382.23
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total $	$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	$7,400.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	$0.92/ton

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	$7,644
Estimated road development cost per ton	$0.95/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	$6.49/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	$780
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	$0.10/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.4 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	0.2 miles

Unit harvest volume

Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
1	148	8,030	1,178	March 1, 2021
	148 Ac.	8,030 tons	1,178 MBF	

CRIPPLE HORSE Timber Sale
LIBBY UNIT



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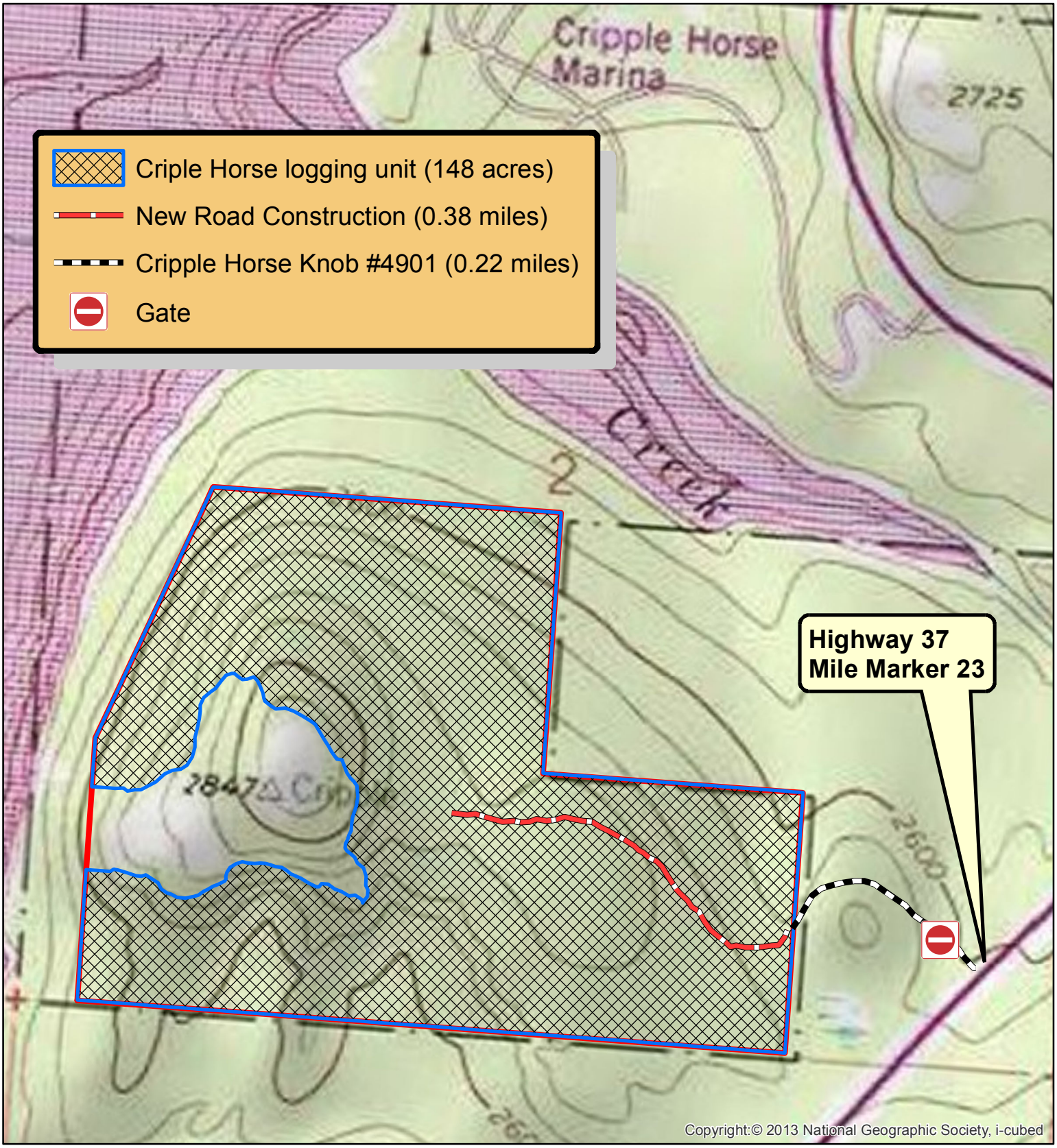
Cripple Horse Timber Sale Harvest Map
T31N R29W section 2



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