

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Cooper Creek 2 Timber Sale is located within Section 16, T12N - R10W on the State's Anaconda Unit. Approximately 5,202 tons, consisting primarily of Douglas-fir and lodgepole pine sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **June 15, 2016 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 **\$1,410.00**, 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 stumpage 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 Southwestern Land Office, in Missoula (406-542-4200), or the Anaconda Unit office (406-563-6078).

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

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: COOPER CREEK 2			
Timber Sale Location: T12N, R10W, Section 16. Approximately 7 miles SE of Helmsville, MT			
For specific sale information, contact: Brian Robbins			
Phone:	406-563-6078	Unit Office: Anaconda	
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-542-4200	Southwestern Land Office	Missoula Office

General Bidding Information

1. Bids must be submitted on standard Department of Natural Resources & Conservation (Dept) bid forms.
2. Timber will be sold to the highest responsible bidder; however, the Dept reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
3. The Dept recommends that bidders contact the Forest Management Bureau, Trust Land Management Division (542-4300) prior to the bid opening to ensure that your bid has been received.
4. A **Bid Guarantee** 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 Dept within a maximum of 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 in the form of 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 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 be based on the expected harvest rate and the bid value of the stumpage. The advance stumpage payment may be in the form of 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 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 Dept has estimated the net scale merchantable sawlog volume to be available for purchase 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 Dept 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 Dept strongly recommends that bidders evaluate these effects before bidding.
10. The Dept 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 Dept 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 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 to the Sale is from State highway 141 just north of the Nevada Creek Reservoir spillway and via county road to the Brazier Creek Road. Proceed 1.5 miles to the junction of the W. Fork Brazier Creek Road #2863. Proceed another 1.2 miles.
2. An estimated 500 tons of post/rail material is mandatory cut, optional removal from tractor units at a \$5.00 per ton.
3. An estimated 2,000 tons of pulp/fiber material is mandatory cut, optional removal from tractor units at a set price of \$1.00 per ton.
4. Purchaser will be required to slash and lop non-sawlog material within cable units (65 acres post-harvest).
5. Purchaser will be required to build a 20' native stringer bridge (can use material from on-site).

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Cooper Creek 2										
Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES		DF		LP	LP_Dead		Pulp	Post/Rails	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton										\$5.42
Pounds per cubic foot		62		56	40					
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)		3,080		472	1,650					5,202 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)							2000	500		2,500 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		592		94	473					1,159 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		25		22	36					29.7%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		440		75	300					815 MBF
Average logs per MBF										45.5 logs/M
Average DBH										9.4 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									23 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	→									3.5 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									144
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	707 and 923 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									13.2%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	5,202 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 815 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									6.38 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract ending date	11/15/2018
Contract length	31 months
Operating Season:	June 15 - March 1, except the first 7 and last 7 days of general big game hunting season. Or if soil conditions aren't adequate.

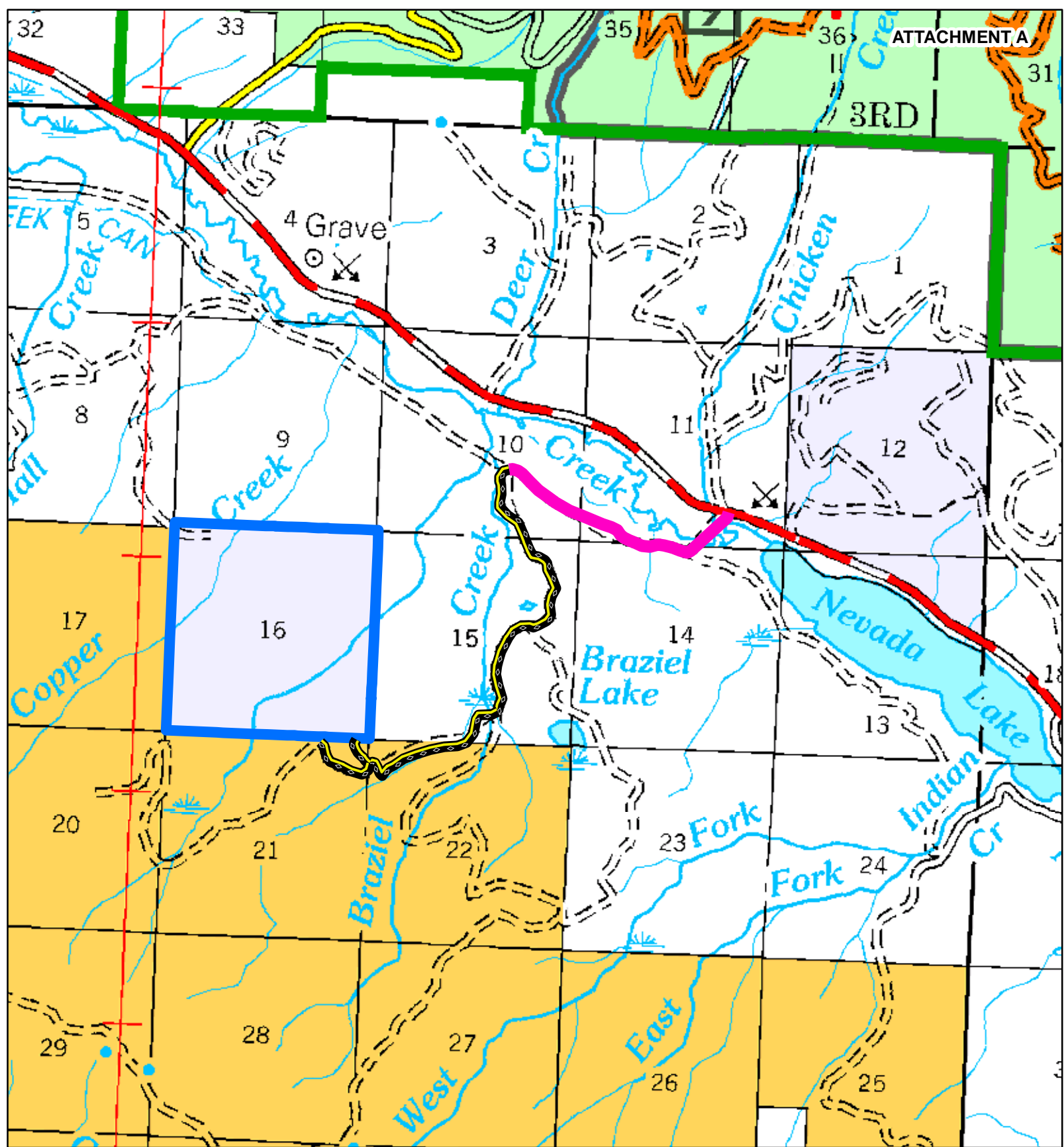
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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	25%
% of volume logged with tractors	72%
% of volume logged by ground lead (jammer)	00%
% of volume logged by skyline	28%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	600 ft.
Yarding distance ground lead (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	450 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	45.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	7.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$22.72/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$3.56/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$18,519.12
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$3,086.52
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$10,000.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$1.92/ton
Bid Guarantee (total \$)	\$1,410.00
Performance Bond (total \$)	20% of bid value




Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$36,890
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$7.09/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$45.26/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$2,500
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.48/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	2.9 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	2.7 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	2.7 miles

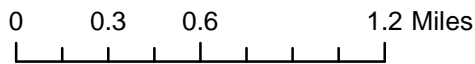
Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest date
1	90	2,053	220	October 15, 2017
2	43	981	200	October 15, 2017
3	12	274	45	October 15, 2017
4	33	753	135	October 15, 2018
5	12	274	45	October 15, 2018
6	8	183	30	October 15, 2018
7	10	228	50	October 15, 2018
8	20	456	90	October 15, 2017
	228 Ac.	5,202 tons	815 MBF	

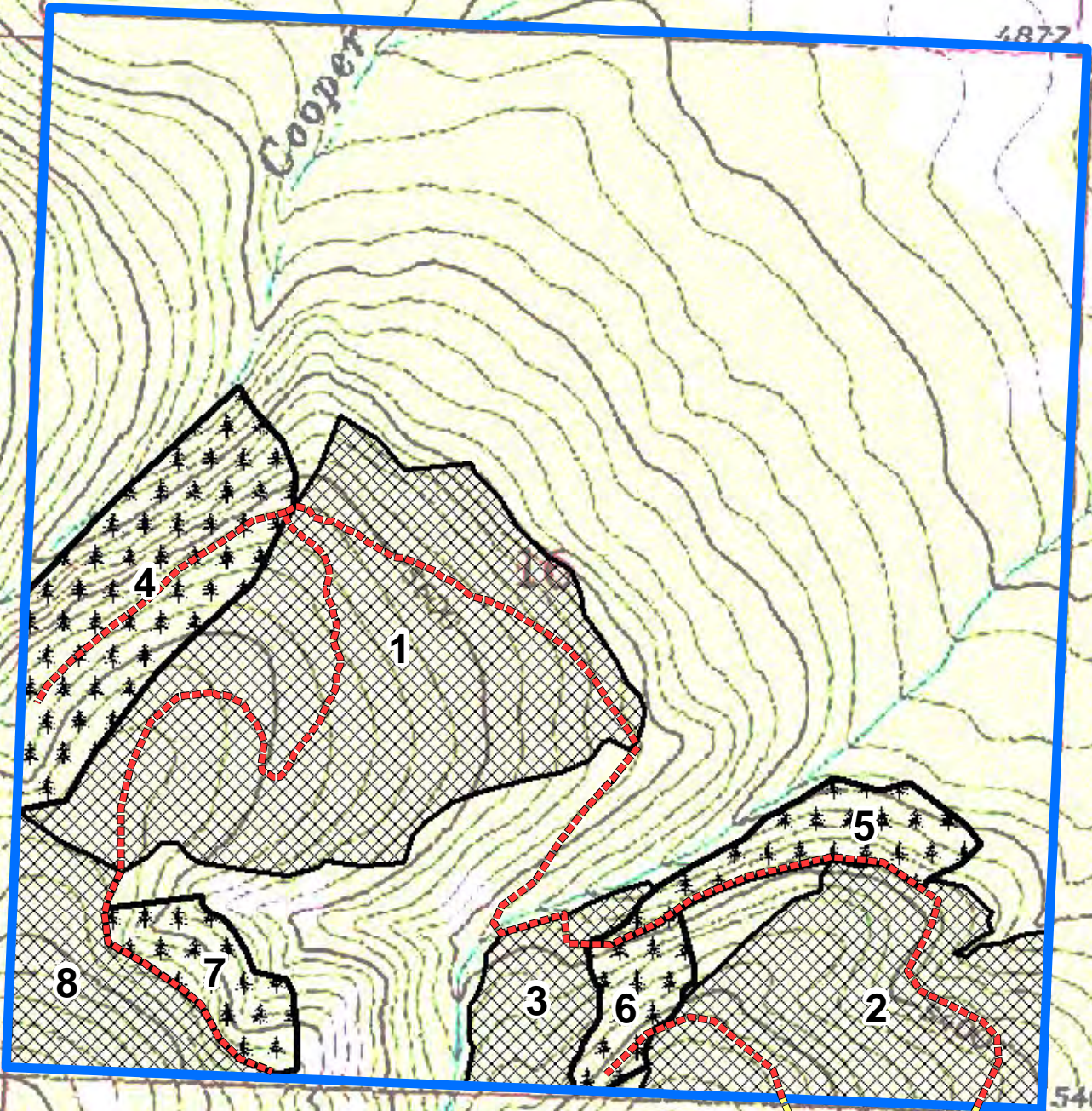


**COOPER CREEK 2 TIMBER SALE
HAUL ROUTE MAP
T12N, R10W, S16**

Haul Route

-  BLM
-  COUNTY
-  State Land





Haul Route

- BLM
- COUNTY

New Roads

- BLM
- State
- State Land

Harvest Proposal

- Tractor
- Cable

**COOPER CREEK 2 TIMBER SALE
SALE AREA MAP
T12N, R10W, S16**

