

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Little Rock Sears Timber Sale is located within Section 30, T23N-R26W and Section 36, T23N-R27W on the State's Plains Unit. Approximately 24,830 tons, consisting of mixed conifer sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **June 22, 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 **\$23,303.00**, 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 Plains Unit Office in Plains, MT (406-826-4723).

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: Little Rock Sears			
Timber Sale Location: S30 T23N R26W, S36 T23N R27W			
For specific sale information, contact: Ty Colombo			
Phone	406-826-4723	Plains	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	Northwest	Land 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 45 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. **TEMPORARY SPUR ROAD CONSTRUCTION AND/OR RECONSTRUCTION REQUIRED:** Purchaser is permitted to construct or utilize existing temporary spur roads for access to this unit. The Forest Officer will designate the location of the road. The road must be constructed and reclaimed to specifications in Attachment B.
2. **ROAD CLOSURE SIGNS AND MANAGEMENT REQUIRED:** Roads may be temporarily closed for public safety reasons when equipment or logs are expected to block the road only if approved or directed by the Forest Officer. Temporary barricades notifying the public that the road is closed shall be placed within 500 feet of both ends of the closed area during the time of the closure. Barricades shall only be in place when the road is actually closed and removed when open.
3. **HARVEST COMPLETION SCHEDULE:**

TABLE 3. HARVEST COMPLETION SCHEDULE		
Priority	Unit or Portion of Sale	Completion Date
	Initial Road Maintenance and Construction	November 30, 2017
	All Units Harvested	April 30, 2019

4. On portions of roads where any portion of the road is within the 50-foot SMZ boundary, a slash filter windrow or wire-backed sediment filter fence will be installed to minimize potential for sediment delivery. Location are specified in the Road Appraisal and Attachment B.

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Little Rock Sears										
Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF				TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$18.77 per ton
Pounds per cubic foot	62	62	58	56		60				
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	7,615	11,835	825	4,440		115				24,830 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)										0 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	1,300	1,760	180	670		60				3,970 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	7	17	25	16		70				13.7%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	1,200	1,505	135	565		20				3,425 MBF
Average logs per MBF	15.6	32.1	22.7	42		55.2				28.9 logs/M
Average DBH	12.8	10.6	10.9	8.7		13.6				10.5 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units										35 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units										16 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale										3.9 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise										35-150
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	2,955 and 3,920 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									15.3%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	24,830 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 3,425 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									7.25 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract ending date	7/31/2019
Contract length	36 Months
Operating Season:	In general, when soil conditions are dry, frozen or snow covered.

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%
% of volume logged with tractors	87%
% of volume logged by ground lead (jammer)	00%
% of volume logged by skyline	13%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	600 ft.
Yarding distance ground lead (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	300 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	2.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	25.0 miles

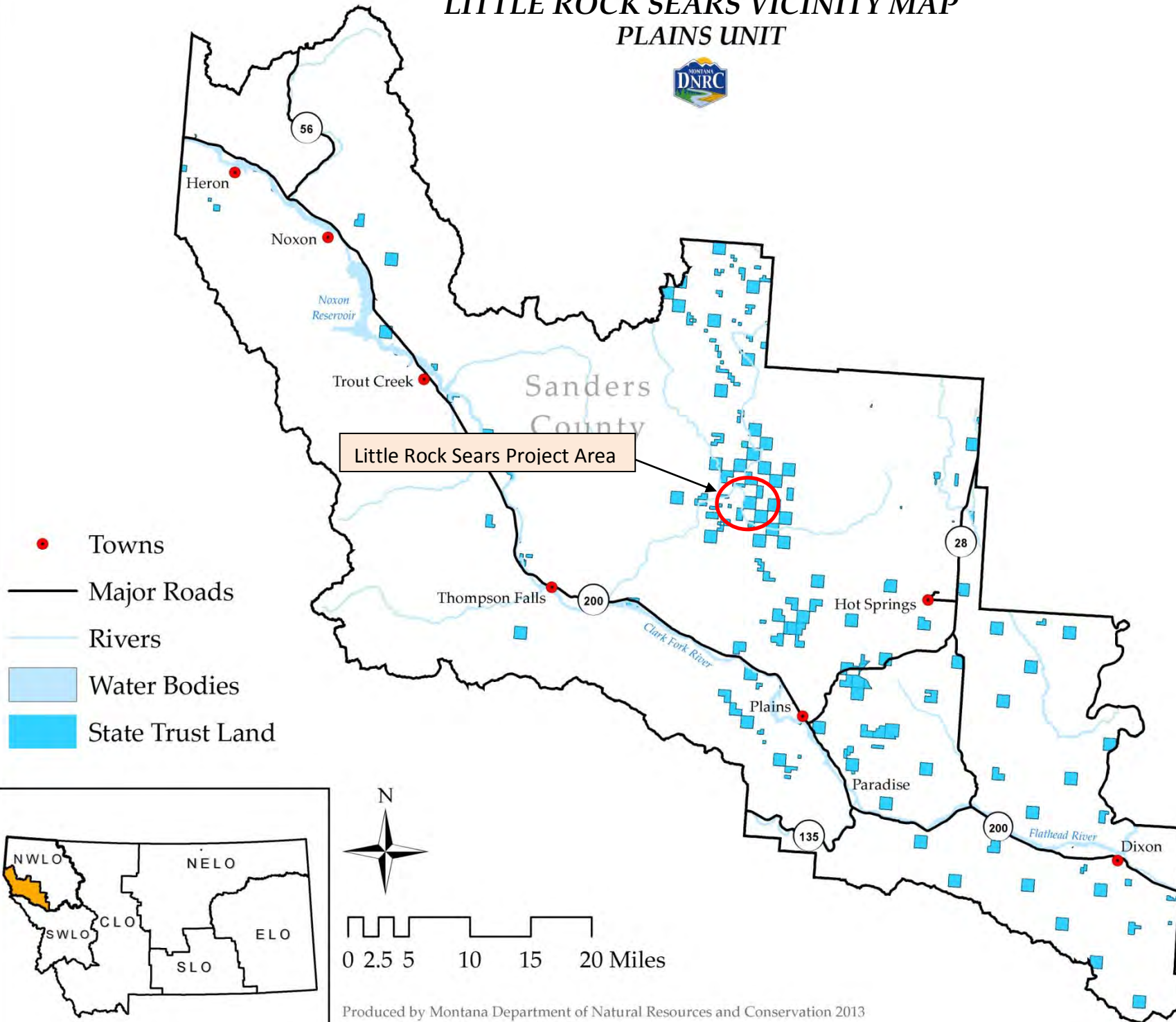
Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$25.13/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$3.47/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$86,160.10
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$14,360.02
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton
Bid Guarantee (total \$)	\$23,303.00
Performance Bond (total \$)	20% of bid value

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$77,192
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$3.11/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$22.54/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$34,678
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$1.40/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	1.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.5 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.1 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	5.5 miles

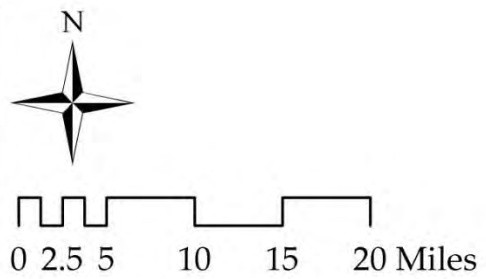
Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest date
1	116	2,410	330	April 30, 2019
2	50	945	140	April 30, 2019
3	107	1,370	185	April 30, 2019
4	32	840	140	April 30, 2019
5	49	1,860	255	April 30, 2019
6	40	1,730	245	April 30, 2019
7	105	4,290	645	April 30, 2019
8	179	5,620	735	April 30, 2019
9	125	3,920	525	April 30, 2019
10	70	1,845	225	April 30, 2019
	873 Ac.	24,830 tons	3,425 MBF	

LITTLE ROCK SEARS VICINITY MAP

PLAINS UNIT



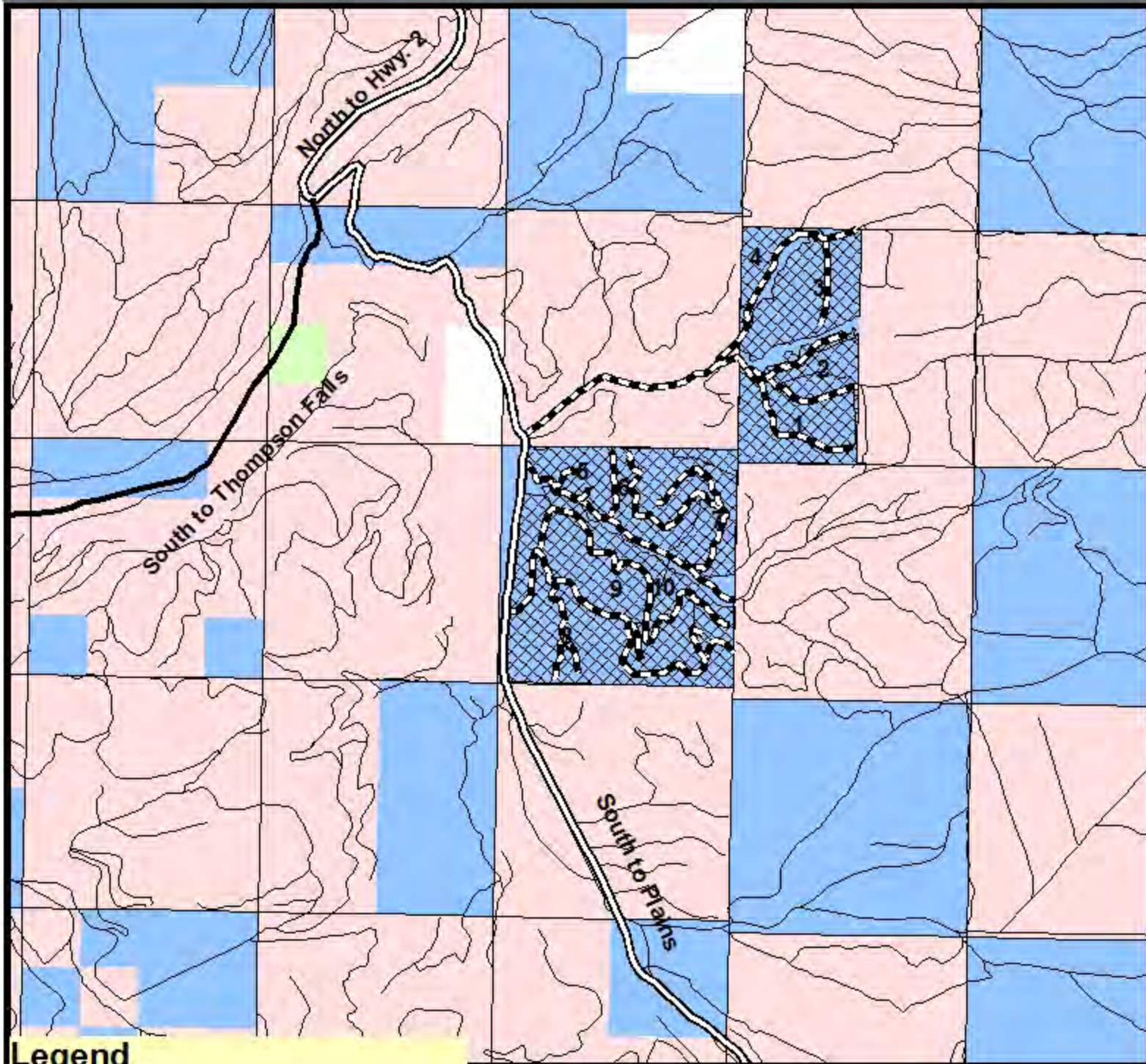
- Towns
- Major Roads
- Rivers
- Water Bodies
- State Trust Land



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Little Rock Sears Haul Route

S30 T23N R26W, S36 T23N R27W



Legend

Roads

- ACM
- County Rd.
- Haul Route
- Other Roads

Ownership

- MT DNRC
- Plum Creek
- USFS

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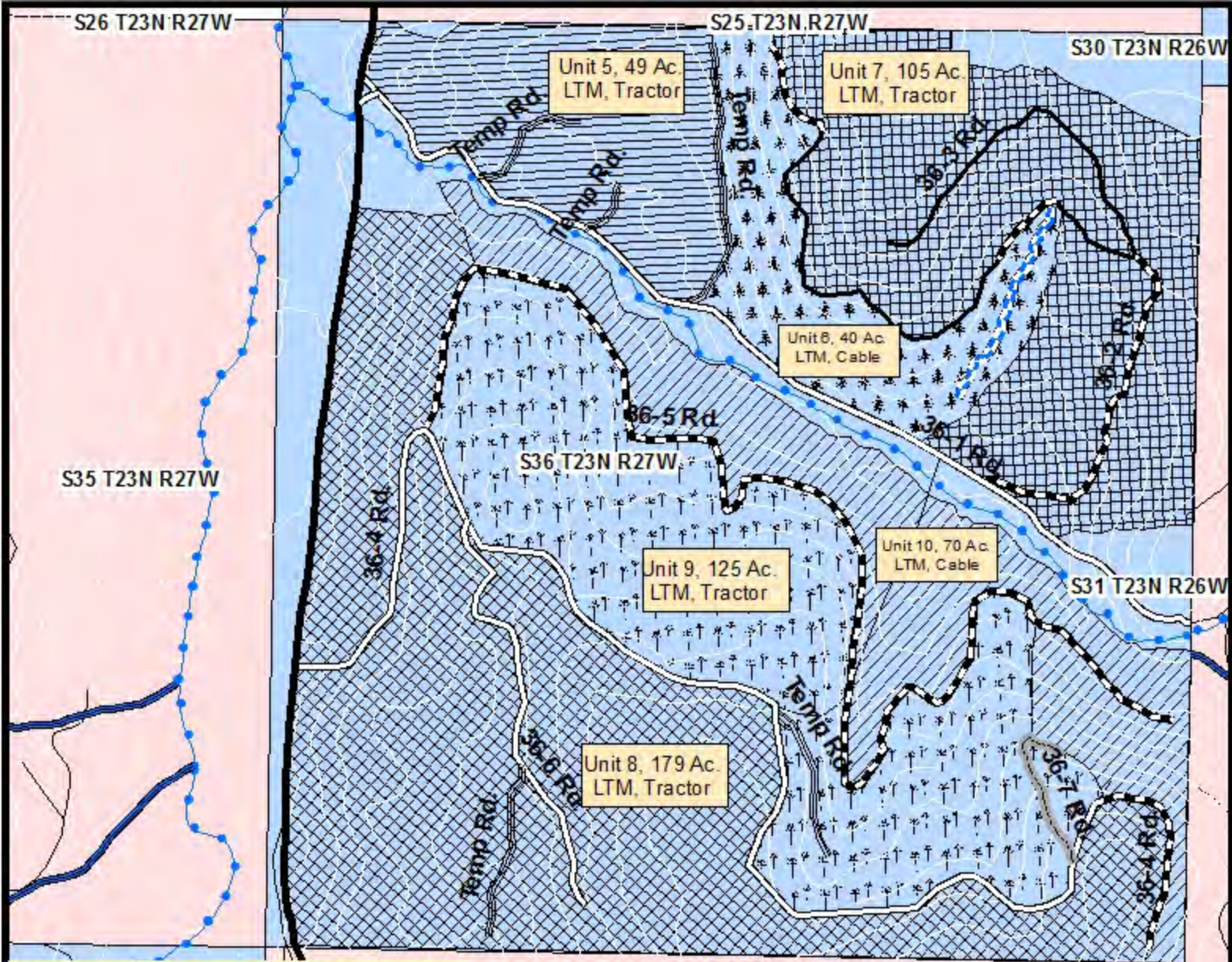


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Harvest Map: B

Sec. 36 T23N R27W

Lat: N 47° 42.575' Long: W 115° 00.030'



Legend

Streams		Roads-LRS	
Class	Con_Type	Con_Type	
	1		County Road
	2		Existing Temp
	3		Maintenance
			New Construction
			New Temp
			Reconstruction

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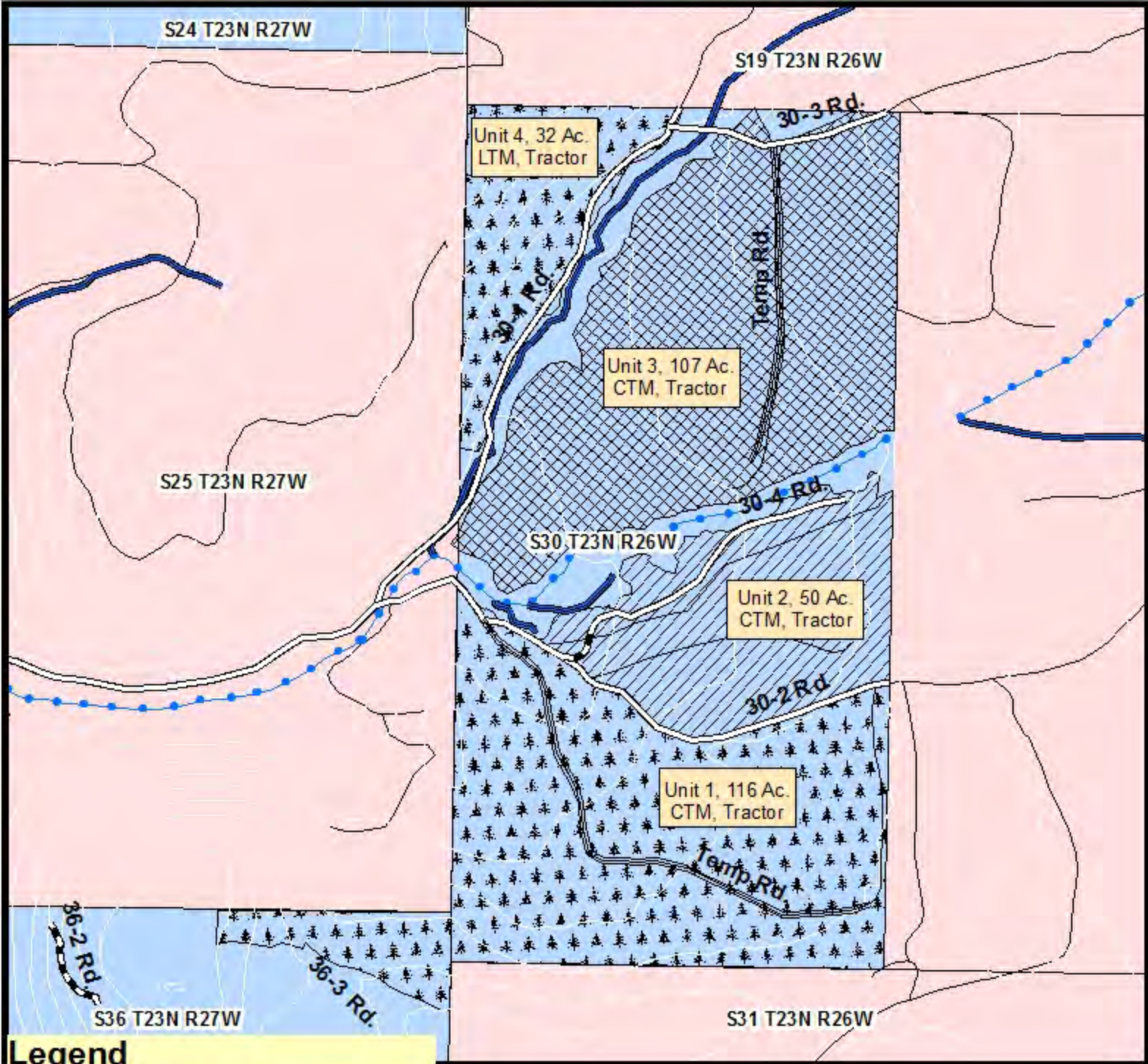


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Harvest Map: A

Sec. 30 T23N R26W

Lat: N 47° 43.411' Long: W 114° 59.052'



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Streams Roads-LRS

Class	Con_Type
1	Existing Temp
2	Maintenance
	New Construction

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