

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Clay Banks Timber Sale is located within Sections 14 and 24, T30N-R31W on the State's Libby Unit. Approximately 22,479 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 **July 6, 2017 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 **\$21,490.00**, 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
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: Clay Banks			
Timber Sale Location: T30N R31W sections 14 & 24			
For specific sale information, contact:			
Phone	406-293-2711	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 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. OPERATING PERIOD: Operating period is limited to periods when soil moisture is dry, the ground is frozen or snow covered to minimize compaction, displacement, or erosion (see Section VII.F & VII.L.1&2).
2. Purchaser is required to purchase approximately 185 CCF of sawlogs and 2 CCF of non-sawlogs from the USFS through a direct sale. This material is in the right-of-way of roads on Forest Service ownership. The estimated price of this sale is \$11,410.58.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

CLAY BANKS TIMBER SALE

Timber Sale Cruise Data

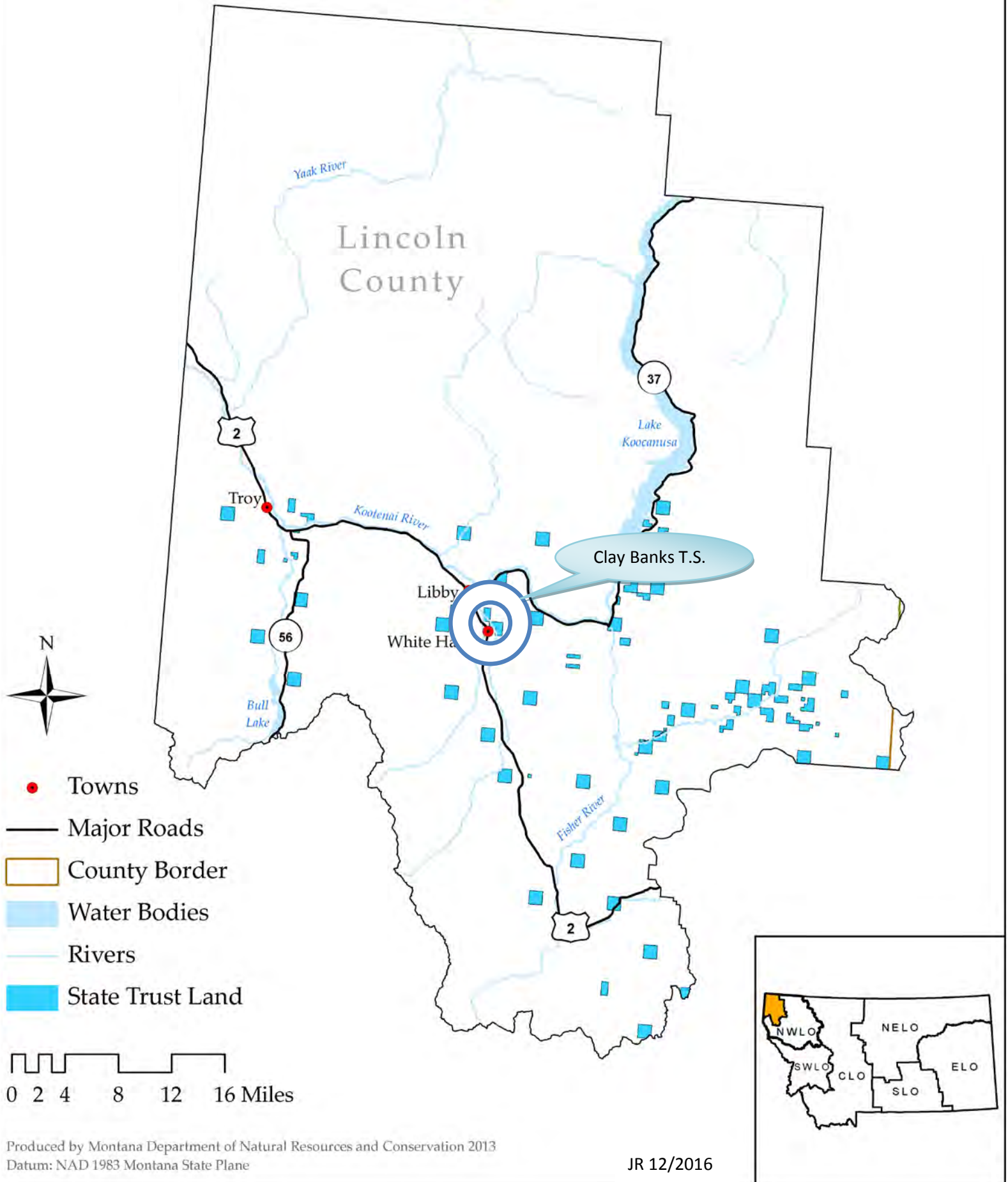
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	WF				TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$19.12 per ton
Pounds per cubic foot	62	62	58	56	57	60				
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	325	18,097	1,870	1,073	601	512				22,479 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)										0 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	65	3,003	405	175	127	107				3,882 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	16	12	24	12	21	18				13.9%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	55	2,637	306	155	100	88				3,341 MBF
Average logs per MBF	13.7	22.3	26.6	33.5	24.3	16.7				23.0 logs/M
Average DBH	15.3	12	11.8	9.7	10.6	14.2				11.8 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									48 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	→									7.1 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									89
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	2,949 and 3,732 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									11.7%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	22,479 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 3,341 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									6.73 tons/MBF

Contract Information

Contract ending date	6/30/2020
Operating Season:	year round when soil conditions permit

CLAY BANKS VICINITY MAP

LIBBY UNIT










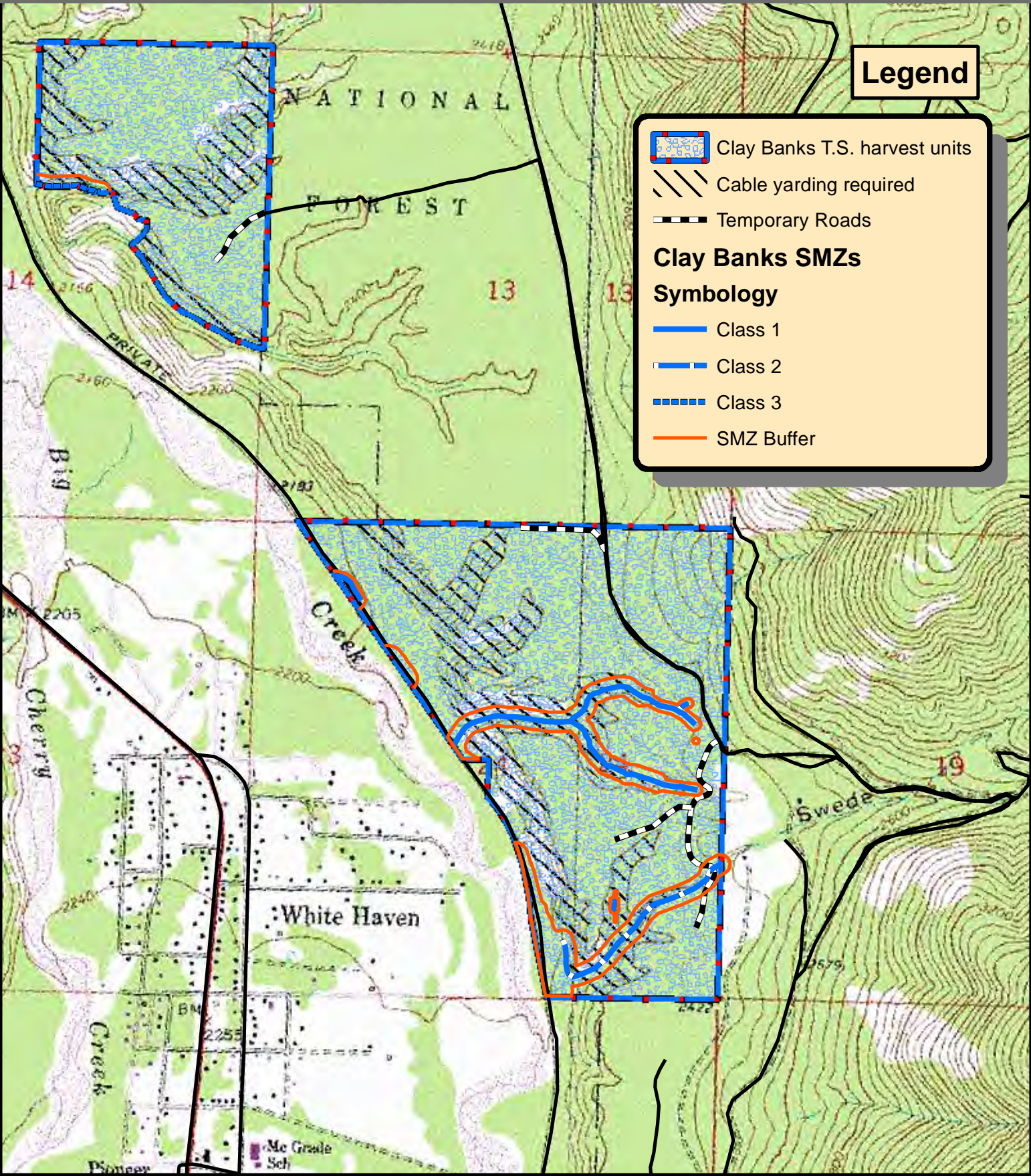
Clay Banks Timber Sale Harvest Map

T30N R31W Sec. 14 & 24



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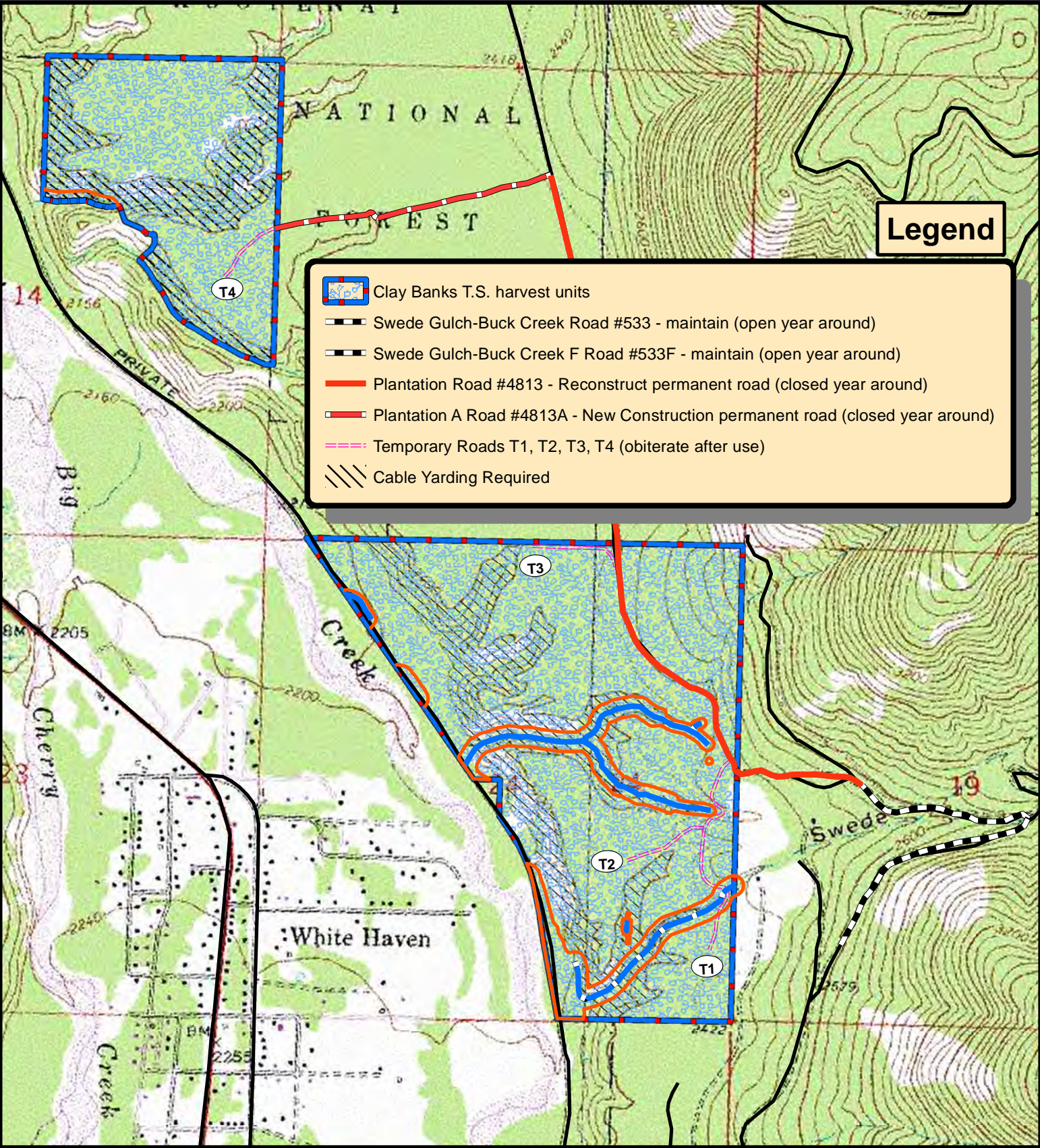
-  Clay Banks T.S. harvest units
-  Cable yarding required
-  Temporary Roads
- Clay Banks SMZs**
- Symbology**
-  Class 1
-  Class 2
-  Class 3
-  SMZ Buffer



Clay Banks Timber Sale

Yarding & Road Construction Map

T30N R31W Sec. 14 & 24



Legend

- Clay Banks T.S. harvest units
- Swede Gulch-Buck Creek Road #533 - maintain (open year around)
- Swede Gulch-Buck Creek F Road #533F - maintain (open year around)
- Plantation Road #4813 - Reconstruct permanent road (closed year around)
- Plantation A Road #4813A - New Construction permanent road (closed year around)
- Temporary Roads T1, T2, T3, T4 (obiterate after use)
- Cable Yarding Required

