

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Dogwing Timber Sale is located within Section 24, T33N-R24W and Sections 30, 31, & 32, T33N-R23W, on the State's Stillwater Unit. Approximately 17,080 tons, consisting primarily of western larch, alpine fir, and cedar sawlogs are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **October 19, 2007 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 **\$27,754.00**, 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 45 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 (406-751-2240), or the Stillwater Unit Office in Olney, MT (406-881-2371).

Visit our website at <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov> Online Services for upcoming sales and bid results

/s/ David A. Groeschl, Chief
Forest Management Bureau
Trust Land Mgmt Division

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TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: Dogwing			
Timber Sale Location: Sections 30, 31, and 32, T33N, R23W and Section 24, T33N-R24W			
For specific sale information, contact: Elspeth Pevear or Michael McMahon			
Phone	406-881-2371	Phone	406-881-2371
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Phone	406-542-4300
Phone	406-751-2240	Phone	406-751-2240

General Bidding Information

1. Bids must be submitted on standard DNRC bid forms.
2. Timber will be sold to the highest responsible bidder; however, the Department reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
3. DNRC 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 guarantee** must accompany all bids and must be in the form of cash, cashiers check, certified check, bank money order, bank draft, surety bond or irrevocable letter of credit.
5. The Purchaser must submit a **performance bond** within 45 days of the sale award. It will amount to 20% or more of the 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.
6. The Purchaser must submit an **advance stumpage payment** prior to cutting any timber. The amount of the advance will be based on the expected harvest rate and the bid value of the stumpage. The advance may be in the form of cash, irrevocable letter of credit, payment bond or certificate of deposit.
7. The Purchaser will pay **Forest Improvement fees** and any special **Road Use and Maintenance fees** in addition to stumpage payments.
8. This sale is being sold based on the gross weight of all species. Minimum price and bid price is per ton. The price is for all species, green and dead. Billing will be based on gross weight. A weight ticket from a certified scale is required for every load.
9. **The Department has estimated the net scale merchantable sawlog volume to be available for purchase under this contract. All delivered wood is required to be weighed. Payment will be at per ton bid rates. The Department 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 the tree conditions in the sale area. The actual delivered weight may also vary, resulting in an overrun or under-run of the estimated tonnage. DNRC strongly recommends that bidders evaluate these effects before bidding. Cost adjustments and stumpage credits/debits requested by the Purchaser based on actual vs. harvested volumes will not be granted.**
10. **DNRC 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 its market value. Purchasers are strongly encouraged to make their own estimates based on contract requirements. Cost adjustments and stumpage credits/debits requested by the Purchaser will not be granted when based on actual vs. estimated costs.**
9. Bidders should examine the Timber Sale Contract and sale area prior to bidding. Additional information is available at the phone numbers shown above.
10. Estimated stand data in this prospectus and volume estimates in the sale contract are not guaranteed.
11. This prospectus is provided for information purposes only. If the prospectus is in error or contradicts the Timber Sale Contract, the contract governs.

TABLE 1: Summary of Sale Specifications			
Sale Data			
281	Net Sale Area (acres)	0.3	Miles of new road construction
July 30, 2010	Contract ending date	0.2	Miles of road reconstruction
0	Cable logging required (% of volume)	0.4	Miles of road reclamation or abandonment
Operating Season: Year round, except when soil condition restrictions apply.			
Charges and Appraised Costs			
\$27,754.00	Bid Guarantee (total \$)		
20% of bid value	Performance Bond		
None	Collected Road Maintenance And Road Use Charges (\$ per ton)		
\$ 2.95	Collected Forest Improvement Fee (\$ per ton)		
\$ 8,397.67	Quarterly Installment of Forest Improvement Payments (\$ per payment, first 5 payments)		
\$ 30,458	Road Development Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (total \$)		
\$ 0.07	Road Maintenance Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
N/A	Slash Disposal Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
\$0.42	Forest Improvement Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		

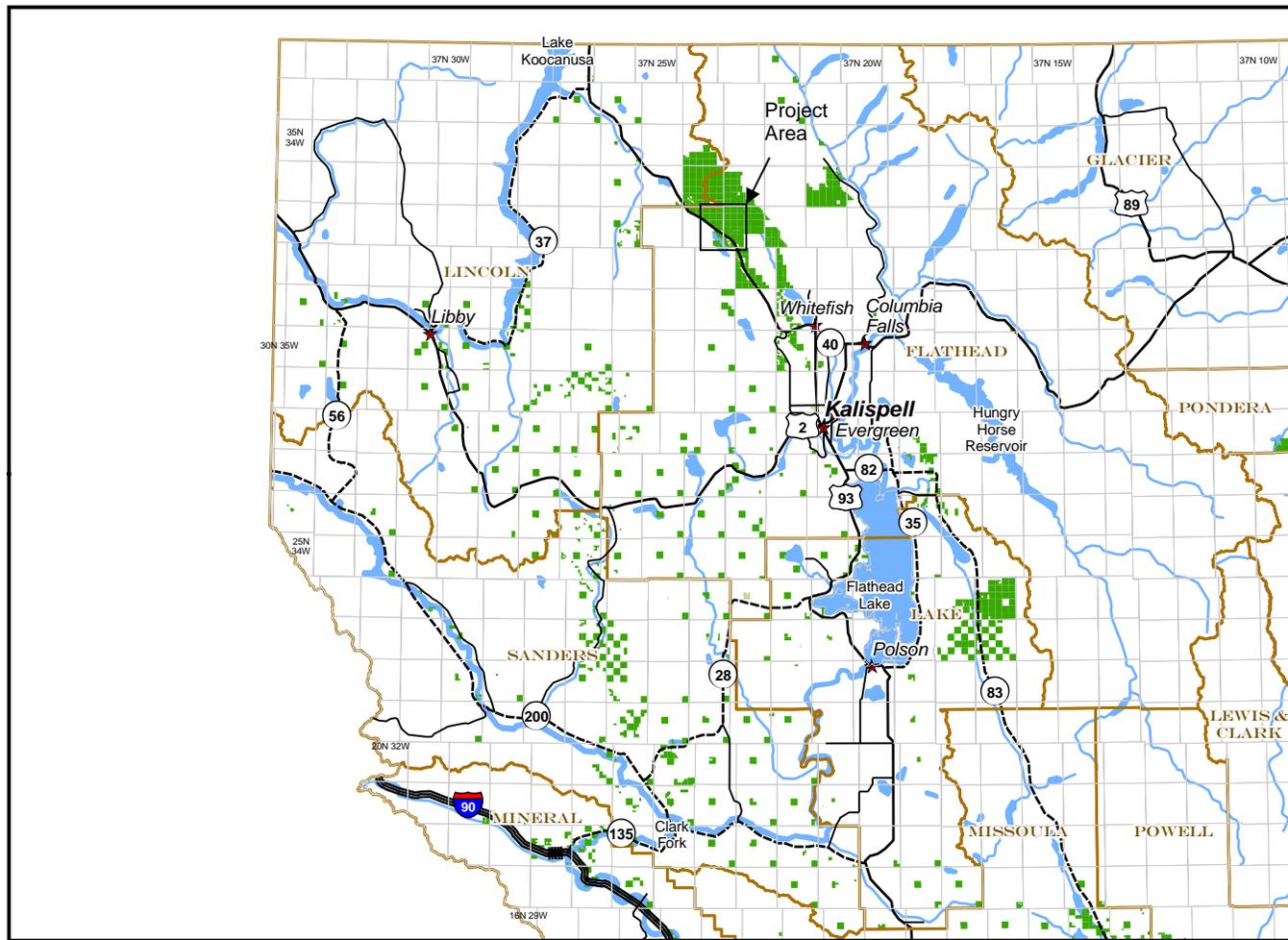
TABLE 2: Timber Cruise Data and Minimum Bids									
SPECIES	WRC	DF	WL	LP	ES	AF	WWP	GF	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Acceptable Bid									\$32.50/ton
Total estimated tons (4.5" top)	2,014	1,150	3,405	2,510	2,185	4,700	55	1,061	17,080
Gross MBF (Scribner 6" top DIB)	465	190	728	324	415	647	3	197	2,969
%Cull and Breakage	14	9	12	10	10	17	7	15	
Net MBF	399.6	172.7	640.5	291.4	374.0	536.8	3.0	167.7	2,586
Average logs per MBF	18	15	11	26	15	27	48	16	
Average DBH	13	12	16	9	12	9	8	14	11
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units									52
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units									n/a
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale									9
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise									130-170
Calculated Sampling Error (net MBF): 13.30 %									
The total cruised volume will fall between 2,442 and 2,930 thousand net board feet in 9 out of 10 cruises.									
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet Conversion Factor = 17,080 net tons per 2,586 net MBF = 6.60 tons per MBF.									

TABLE 3: Unit Harvest Volume and Harvest Schedule					
Unit	Section	Acres	Estimated Net Tons to a 4.6-inch Top	Estimated Net MBF to a 5.6-inch top	Removal Date
1	24	11	327	47.5	March 15, 2010
2	24	76	7,323	1,279.7	
3	24	33	2,482	439.7	
4	30	9	714	103.3	
5	30	8	754	133.6	
6	31, 32	144	5460	576.5	
ROW	31, 32	1	20	4.5	

Additional Sale Information:

1. Top sizes for sawlogs will be 4.6 inches for all species.
2. Ton volume calculations used in this prospectus are based on cubic volume to a 4.6-inch top. Scribner volume calculations are based on a 5.6-inch top size for all species.
3. Traffic control will be required when felling operations take place along open roads.
4. Winter logging is required in Unit 3.
5. Access to and from the eastern portion of Unit 3 is restricted to a 2-week operational period.
6. All operations adjacent to or within the Highway 93 or powerline right-of-way shall require a working plan with the appropriate owner (MDT, BPA, or Lincoln Electric Cooperative).
7. Maps of harvest units in larger scale are available at the Stillwater Unit office upon request.
8. Protection of submerchantable trees is required in units along open roads.
9. The Purchaser will be required to slash submerchantable subalpine fir trees in Unit 6.
10. A long skid distance is required for the western portion of Unit 3.

Dogwing Timber Sale Vicinity Map



	Interstate Highway		Rivers		Lakes
	U.S. Route		City		DNRC managed for timber
	State Highway		County		DNRC other
	Secondary Roads		Township/Range		

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Sections 24/30 of T33N R24W
Attachment A, Map 1 of 2



T 33N R24W

13 18
24 19

Temporary Stream Crossing

UNIT INFORMATION

Unit	Acres	Volume/Tons
1	11	327
2	76	7,323
3	33	2,482
4	9	714
5	8	754

LEGEND

ROADS

- Highway
- Open Roads
- Managed Roads
- Temporary Road

WATER

- Streams
- Lakes

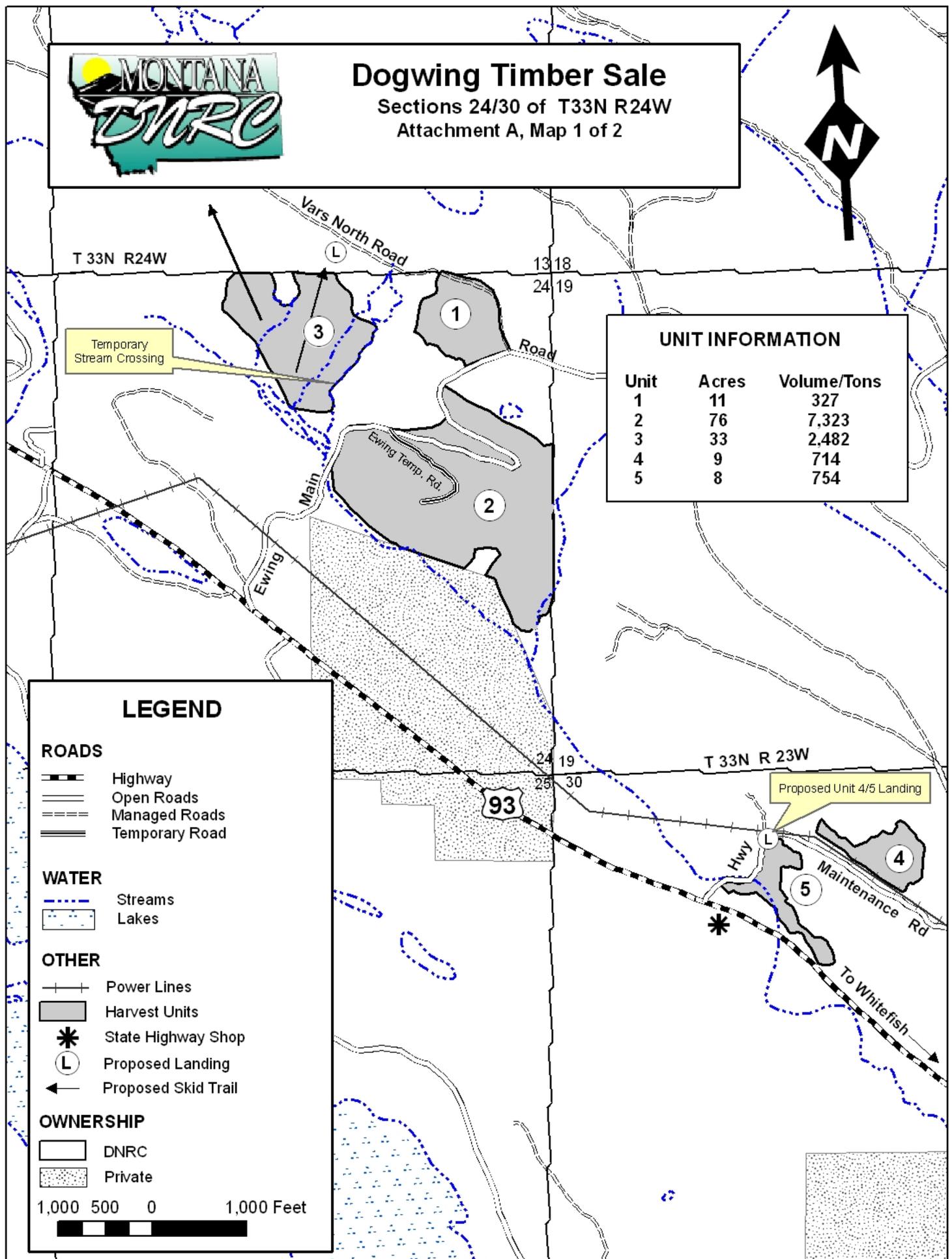
OTHER

- Power Lines
- Harvest Units
- State Highway Shop
- Proposed Landing
- Proposed Skid Trail

OWNERSHIP

- DNRC
- Private

1,000 500 0 1,000 Feet



Proposed Unit 4/5 Landing

Hwy

Maintenance Rd

To Whitefish

93

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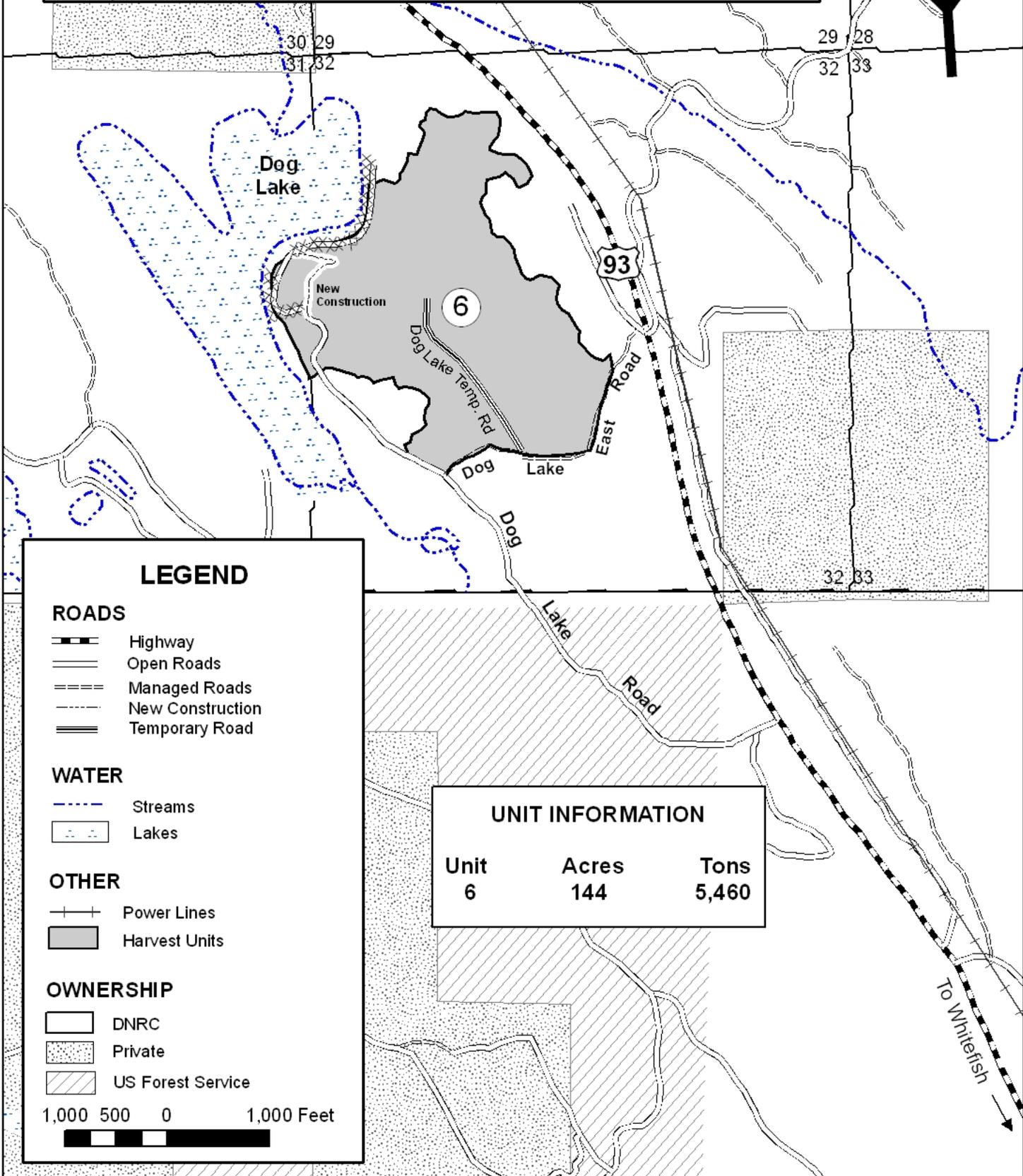
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25 30



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Sections 31/32 of T33N R23W

Attachment A, Map 2 of 2



LEGEND

ROADS

- Highway
- Open Roads
- Managed Roads
- New Construction
- Temporary Road

WATER

- Streams
- Lakes

OTHER

- Power Lines
- Harvest Units

OWNERSHIP

- DNRC
- Private
- US Forest Service

1,000 500 0 1,000 Feet



UNIT INFORMATION

Unit	Acres	Tons
6	144	5,460