

## FOURNIER CREEK FIRE SALVAGE

### NOTICE OF SALE

#### Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Fournier Creek Fire Salvage Timber Sale is located within Section 36, T15N-R21W, on the State's Missoula Unit. Approximately 9,311 tons, consisting of burnt Douglas-fir, ponderosa pine, and Western larch is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **December 5, 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 **\$8,845.00**, 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. **Award of the timber sale is conditional upon approval of the timber sale by the State Board of Land Commissioners at their November 19, 2007 meeting.** If the successful bidder is unable to execute the contract within **15** 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 Southwest Land Office in Missoula (406-542-4200), or the Missoula Unit in Missoula, MT (406-542-4245).

Visit our website at <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/trust/fmb.htm> 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**

<b>Timber Sale Name: Fournier Creek Fire Salvage</b>			
<b>Timber Sale Location: Section 36, T15N-R21W</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-4245	Wayne Lyngholm	Missoula Unit Office
<b>For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-542-4200	Bob Storer	Southwest 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. **Award of the timber sale is conditional upon approval of the timber sale by the State Board of Land Commissioners at their November 19, 2007 meeting.**
3. The Dept 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, 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 **15** 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.

<b>TABLE 1: Summary of Sale Specifications</b>			
<b>Sale Data</b>			
116	Net Sale Area (acres)	1	Miles of road construction
June 1, 2009	Contract ending date	2	Miles of road reconstruction
49	Cable logging required (% of volume)	N/A	Miles of road reclamation or abandonment
Operating Season: December 5, 2007 - March 15, 2008; July 2 - October 15, 2008			
<b>Charges and Appraised Costs</b>			
\$8,845.00	Bid Guarantee (total \$)		
20% of bid value	Performance Bond (total \$)		
N/A	Collected Road Maintenance And Road Use Charges (\$ per ton)		
\$ 3.53	Collected Forest Improvement Fee (\$ per ton) <b>Concurrent w/ stumpage</b>		
N/A	Quarterly Installment of Forest Improvement Payments (\$ per payment, first 5 payments)		
\$ 12,350.00	Road Development Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (total \$)		
\$ 0.12	Road Maintenance Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
N/A	Slash Disposal Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
\$ 0.06	Timber Stand Improvement Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		

<b>TABLE 2: Timber Cruise Data and Minimum Bids</b>									
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL						TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Acceptable Bid									<b>\$19.00/ton</b>
Pounds per cubic foot	58	58	58						58
Contract Tons	731	8,231	349						9,311
Gross MBF (Scribner 6" top DIB)	130	1,367	55						1,552
%Cull and Breakage	5.8	7.4	3.8						7.2
Net MBF	123	1,265	53						1,441
Average logs per MBF	22	17	26						22
Average DBH	13	11	11						12
Average tons per acre harvested									80
Average MBF cut per acre on the timber sale									12.4
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise									167-171
<b>Calculated Sampling Error (net MBF): 9.6 %</b>									
The total cruised volume will fall between 1303 and 1579 thousand net board feet in 9 out of 10 cruises									
<b>Tons Per Thousand Board Feet Conversion Factor = 9311 net tons per 1441 net MBF = 6.46 tons per MBF</b>									

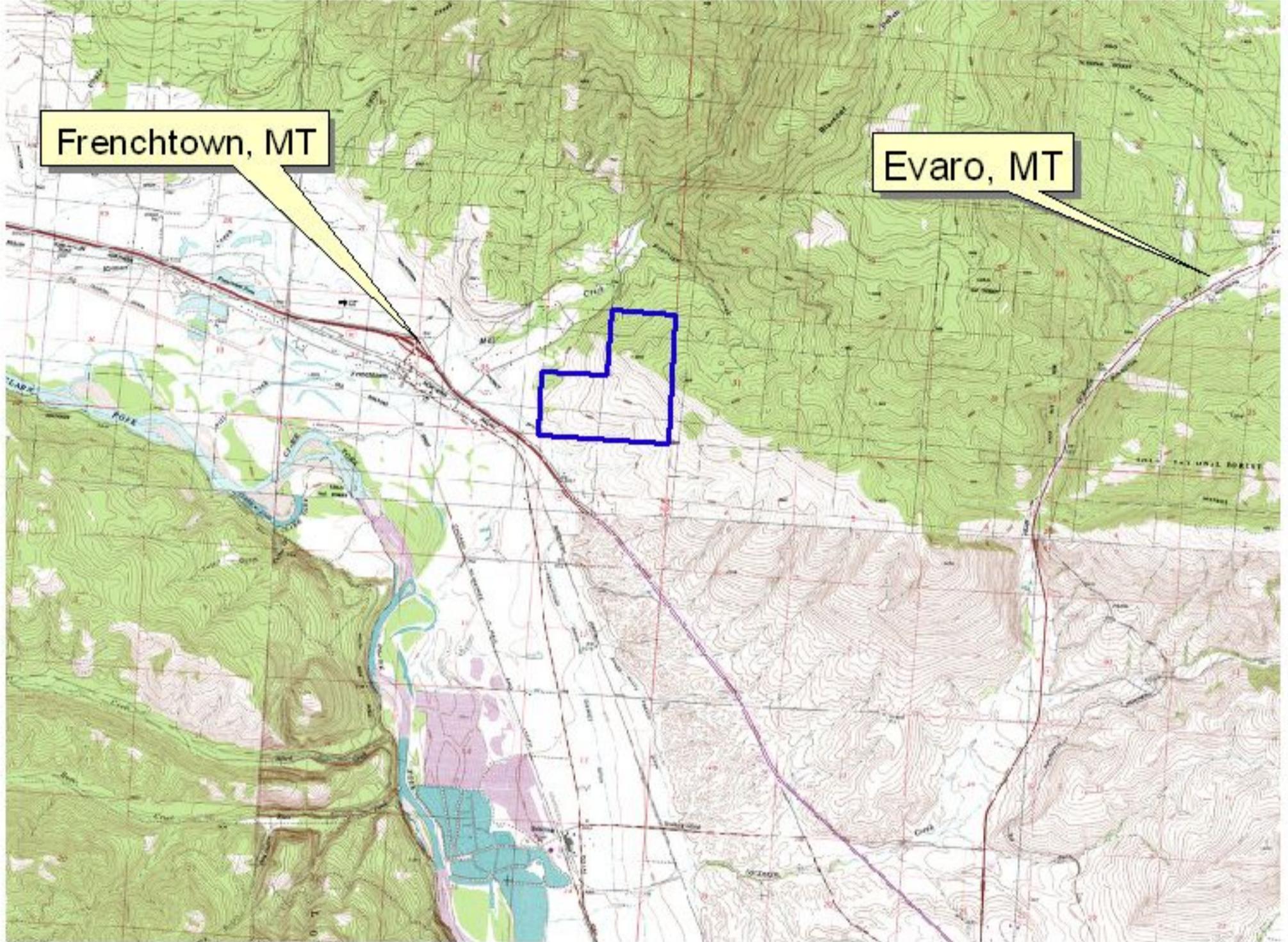
TABLE 3: Unit Harvest Volume and Harvest Schedule					
Unit	Section	Acres	Estimated Net Tons	Estimated Net MBF	Removal Date
1	36	57	4176	641	October 15, 2008
2	36	59	5135	800	March 15, 2008

**Additional Sale Information:**

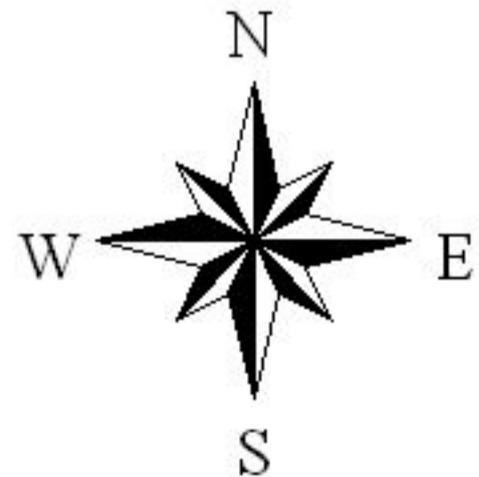
1. In Unit 1 a skyline yarding system capable of yarding 1,200 feet external yarding distance uphill must be used. A carriage capable of 50 feet minimum lateral yarding distance is required. The carriage must be capable of maintaining a fixed position on the skyline while lateral yarding.
  - a. Skyline corridors shall be spaced not less than 75 feet apart unless approved by the Forest Officer. In the case of ridges where fan-shaped settings are required, the minimum distance at the widest divergence will be 150 feet.
  - b. Except for lateral yarding, logs shall be yarded with one end suspended or fully suspended.
2. Approximately 100 feet of road segment B will require  $\frac{3}{4}$  bench road excavation and end haul of material to a designated location.
3. In the cable harvest unit (Unit 1), tops shall be severed from felled trees at the minimum utilization top diameter prior to skidding. In the tractor harvest unit (Unit 2) the Purchaser shall return 95% of all slash created at the landing to the unit and distribute it evenly throughout the unit. Slash will be returned to the unit as it is created. Large amounts of slash will not be allowed to accumulate at the landings before it is returned in the unit. Slash will be scattered on skid trails as skidding progresses on each trail. The purchaser may process logs in the unit, provided slash is placed on future skid trails.

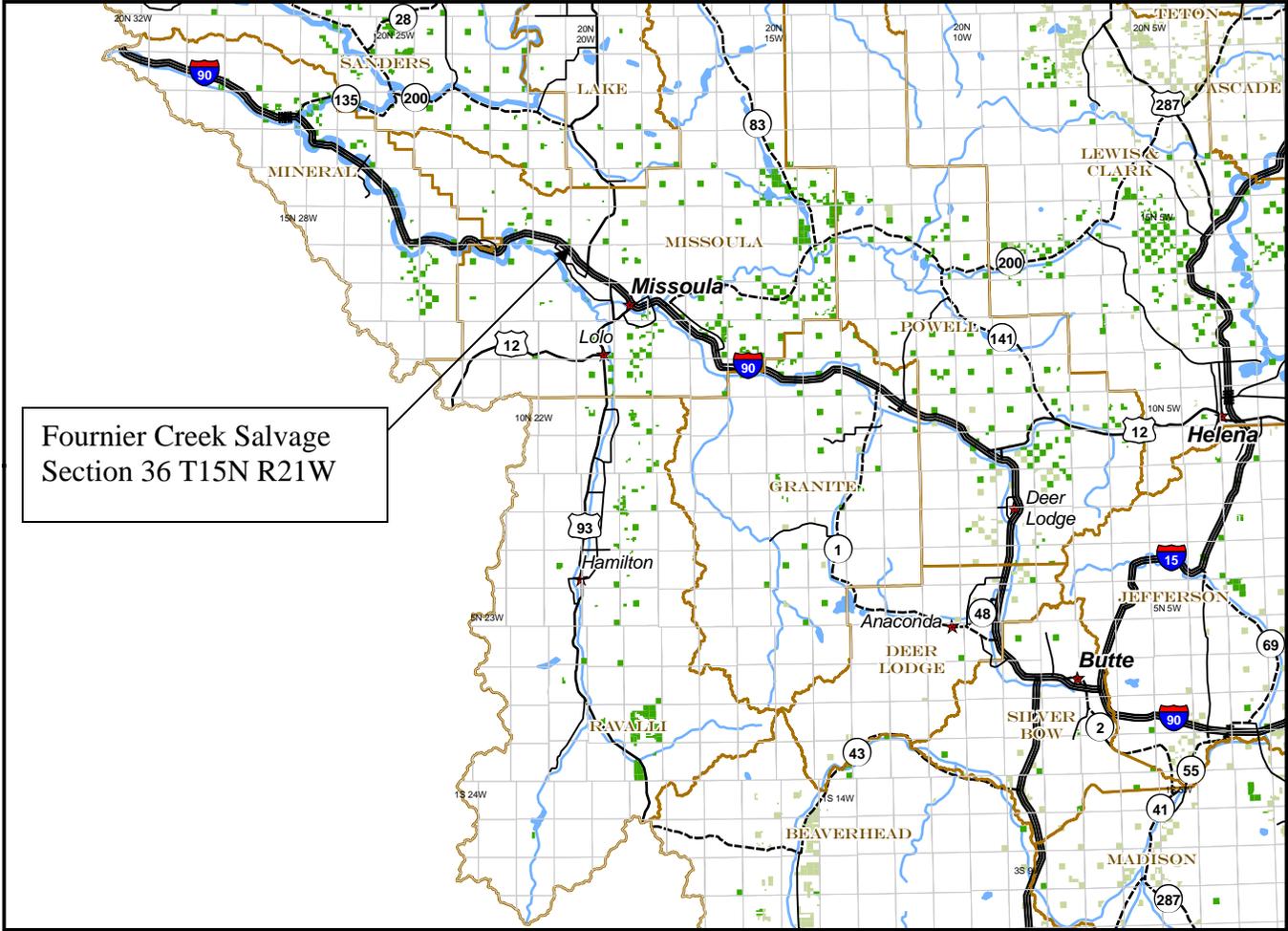
# Fournier Creek Salvage Vicinity

## Section 36 T15N R21W



 Fournier Creek Project Area



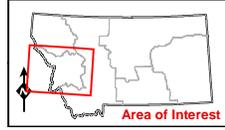


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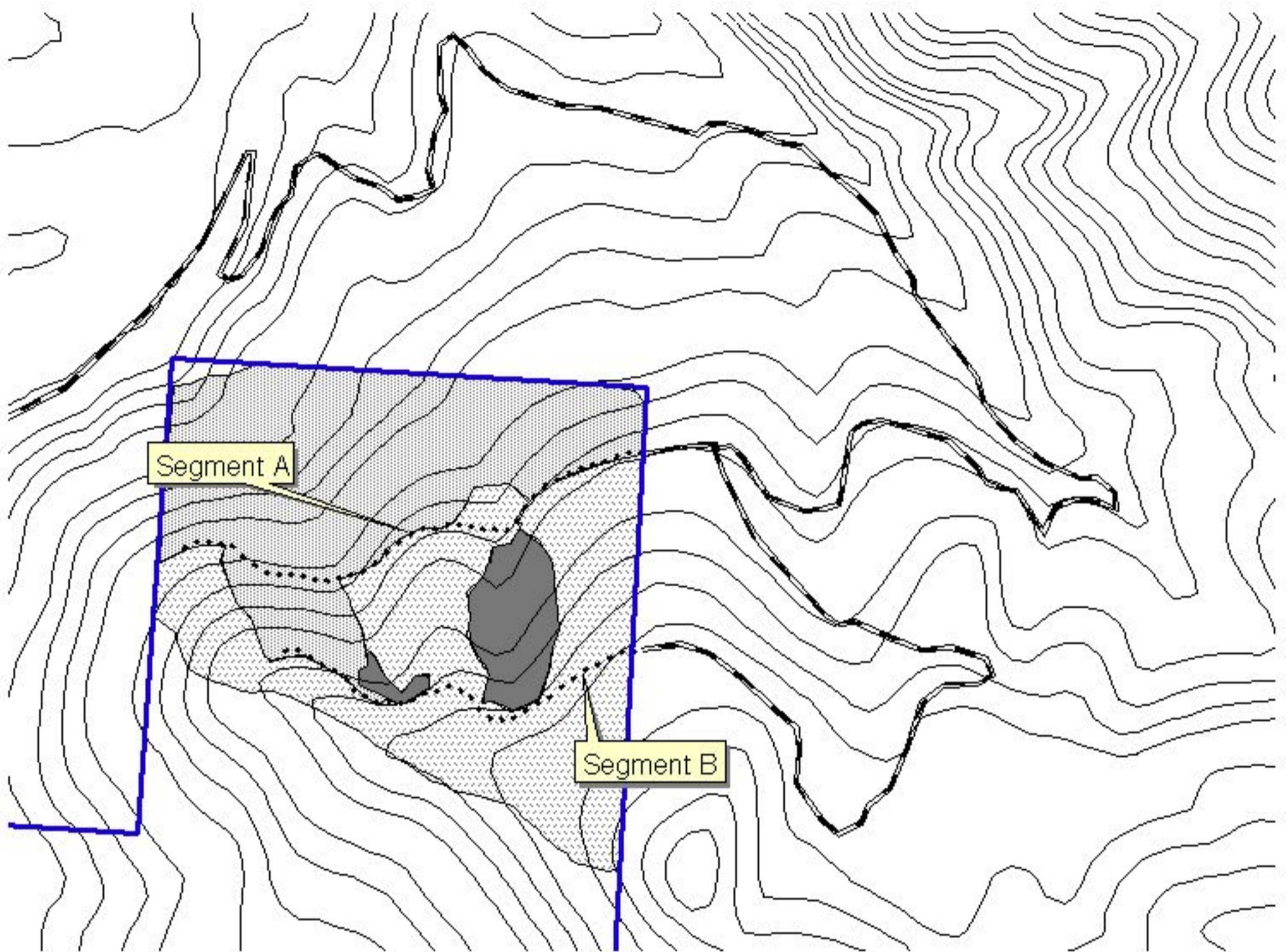


	Interstate Highway		Rivers		Lakes
	U.S. Route		City		DNRC managed for timber
	State Highway		County		DNRC other
	Secondary Roads		Township/Range		

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Montana DNRC  
Technical Services Section/dr



# Fournier Creek Salvage Timber Sale Section 36 T15N R21W



-  Fournier Creek Project Area
-  Haul Route
-  New Road Construction
-  Unit 1: Cable, 57 acres
-  Unit 2: Tractor, 59 acres
-  No Harvest

