

## GOOD SHEPHERD TIMBER SALE

### NOTICE OF SALE

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

The Good Shepherd Timber Sale is located within Sections 6 & 7, T15N-R13W, and Sections 31, & 32, T16N-R13W on the State's Clearwater Unit. Approximately 12,605 tons of sawlogs consisting primarily of Douglas-fir, ponderosa pine, and western larch sawlogs are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **June 20, 2013 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 **\$9,763.00**, representing 5% of the minimum bid 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 Clearwater Unit office in Greenough, MT. (406-244-2385).

Visit our website at <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov/trust/timber/bids.asp> for upcoming timber sales and bid results.

/s/ SONYA GERMANN, Chief  
Forest Management Bureau  
Trust Land Management Division

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**TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS**  
**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION**

<b>Timber Sale Name: GOOD SHEPHERD</b>	
<b>Timber Sale Location: Sections 31 &amp; 32, T16N-R13W, Sections 6 &amp; 7, T15N-R13W</b>	
<b>For specific sale information, contact: Bill Burdick</b>	
Phone (406) 244-2385 M-Th. 7-5:30	Clearwater 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	Southwestern 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 (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 **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. **A tour of the sale area for prospective purchasers will not be given.**
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. Pulp material may be purchased if approved by the Forest Officer. This material would be billed at a \$1.00/ton as shown in Table 1 of the contract.
2. **NEW ROAD CONSTRUCTION & ROAD MAINTENANCE REQUIRED:** Purchaser is required to construct .4 mile of new road as well as perform road maintenance on 8.1 miles of existing road. In addition, 8.1 miles will require annual blading for the term of the contract following the operating season. The Forest Officer has designated the location of the road and road maintenance activities. The road must be constructed to specifications outlined in Attachment B. **ALL ROAD WORK MUST BE COMPLETE PRIOR TO HARVEST OPERATIONS.**
3. **SEASON CLOSURE:** No logging, decking, loading or hauling will be permitted from October 15 – November 30 and from March 1- June 14 of each year during the term of this contract.
4. **OCCUPIED GRIZZLY BEAR HABITAT:** Sale area is located within grizzly bear occupied habitat. Operations shall be in compliance with the Timber Sale Contract Attachment D (Working in Bear Habitat).
5. **GAME RANGE CLOSURE:** This timber sale is located within the Blackfoot-Clearwater Wildlife Management Area which is closed to the public on a seasonal basis. The Purchaser is authorized to enter areas closed by gates, barricades or berms with motorized vehicles only for the purposes related to the performance of this contract. Motorized vehicle entry for purposes other than contract performance, such as hunting, antler collection, or transporting game animals will be considered trespass and prosecuted to the fullest extent of the law (Montana Code Annotated § 45-6-203)

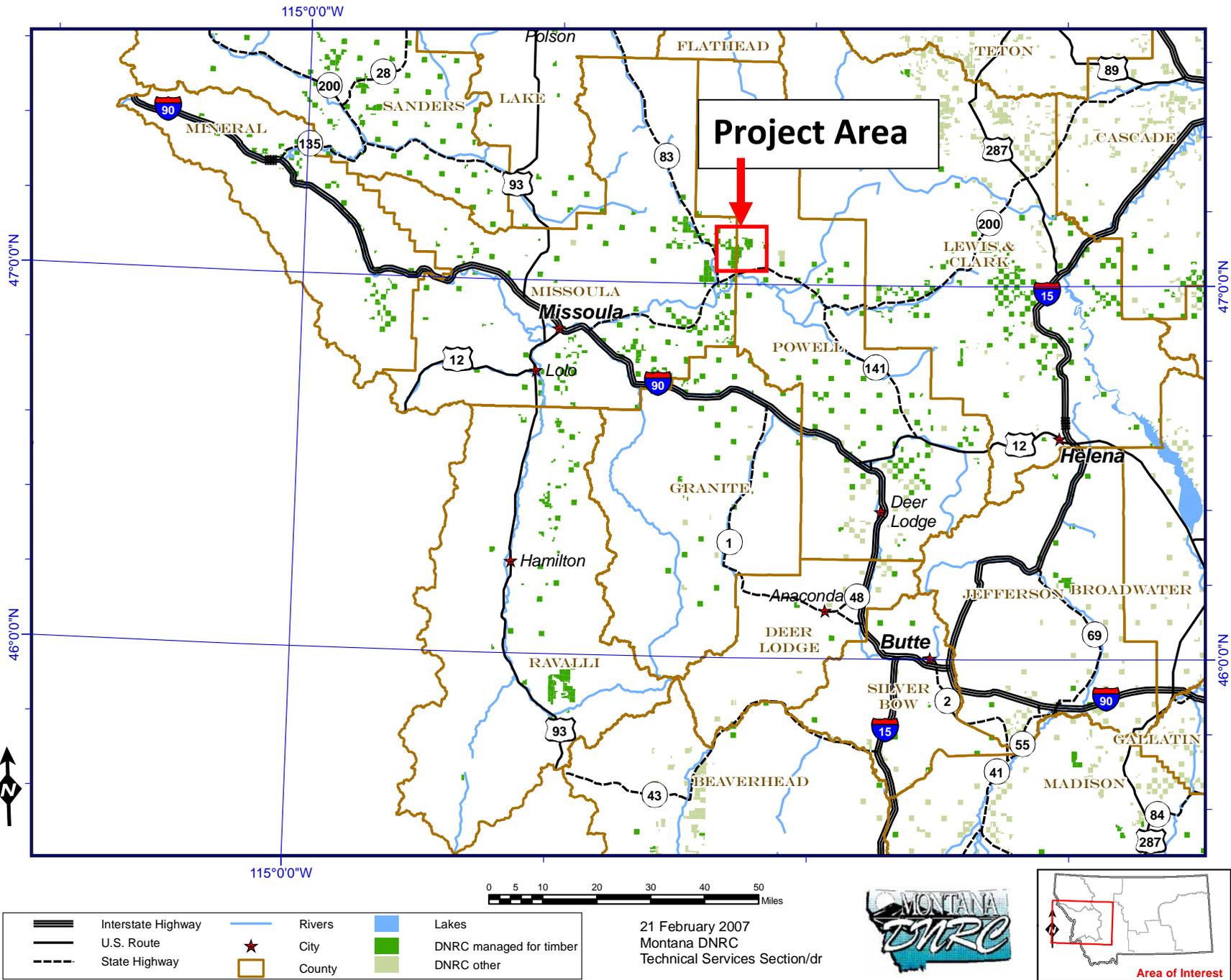
**Timber Sale Information Sheet**  
**Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation**

TIMBER SALE NAME										
Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	WF	CE	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$15.49/ton
Pounds per cubic foot	56	56	53	51	57					
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	3,833	6,631	1,770	53	318					12,605 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)	389	498	200	23	0					1,110 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	762	1,207	344	8	46					2,367 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	21	19	5	10	0					17.1%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	604	979	326	7	46					1,962 MBF
Average logs per MBF	22	22	16	28	25					21.1 logs/M
Average DBH	14.9	14.2	14.1	8	11					14.2 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									17 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units	→									N/A
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale	→									2.7 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	1,741 and 2,184 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									11.3%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	12,605 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 1,962 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									6.42 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract ending date	10/30/2015
Contract length	27 months
Operating Season:	Roads: June 15 - October 15; Harvester: June 15 - October 15 and December 1 - March 1

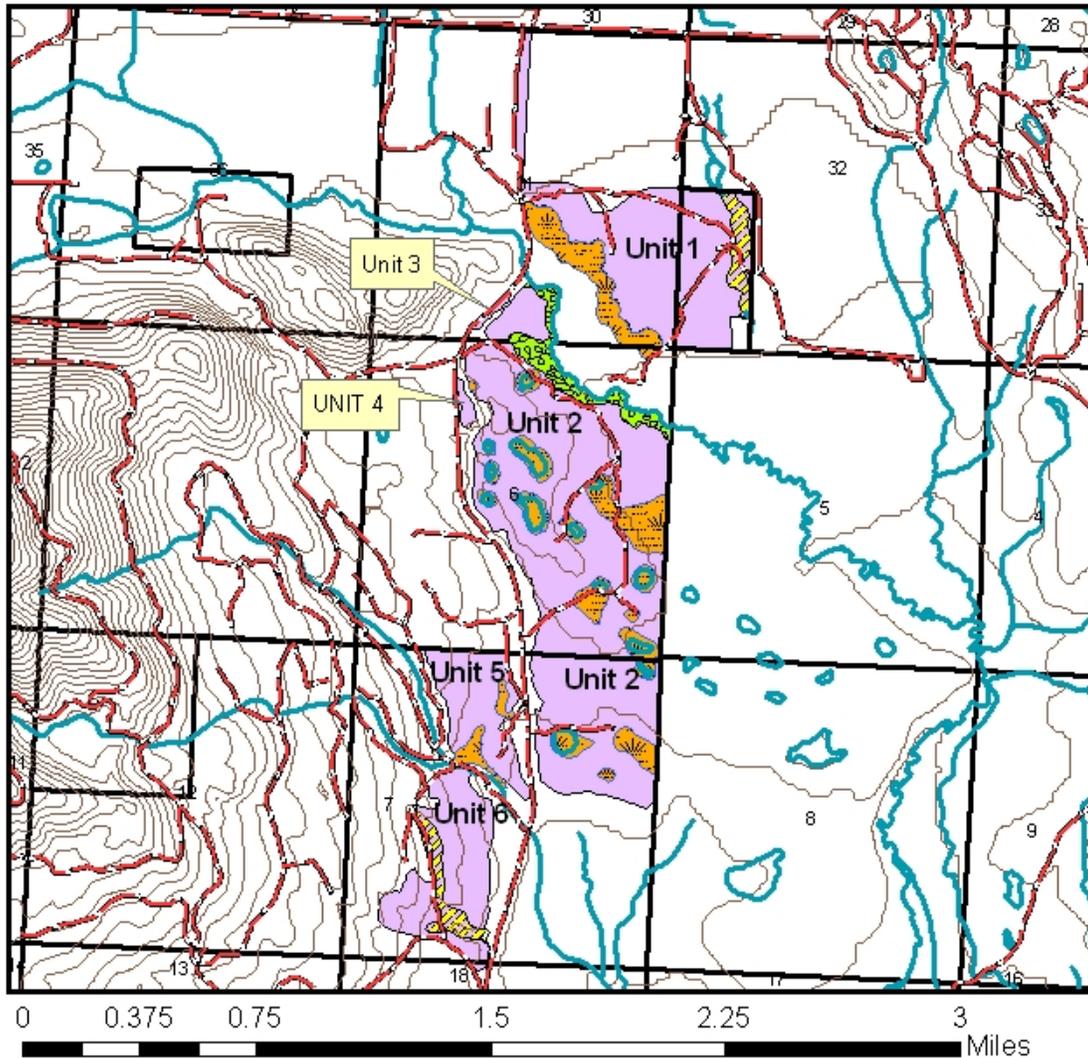








Good Shepherd Timber Sale  
 DNRC-CLEARWATER UNIT  
 Sections 31,32 T16N R13W & Sections 6 & 7 T15N R13W



Unit Boundary: Blue paint/flagging  
 Leave Trees: Blue horizontal stripe or "W" and blue stump mark  
 Wetland Boundary: Orange paint/Orange SMZ flagging  
 Stream boundary: Orange paint/Orange SMZ flagging  
 Stream/Ditch Crossing: Pink & Red/White candy stripe flagging

Roads	Class 3 SMZ
Streams	GS Wetlands
Class 1 SMZ	
Good Shepherd Units	

Unit 1: 166 Acres  
 Unit 2: 416 Acres  
 Unit 3: 2 Acres  
 Unit 4: 4 Acres  
 Unit 5: 55 Acres  
 Unit 6: 85 Acres



A. Helena  
 8/28/2012