

## NOTICE OF SALE

### Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Lower Corona Timber Sale is located within Section 12, T21N-R26W, on the State's Plain's Unit. Approximately 23,655 tons consisting primarily of Douglas-fir, ponderosa pine, western larch, and grand fir sawlogs is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **April 27, 2012 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 **\$18,321.00**, 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 **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), or the Unit Office in Plains, MT (406-826-4722).

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

/s/ GARY FRANK, Acting 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: Lower Corona</b>			
<b>Timber Sale Location: Section 12, T21N-R26W</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact: Dale Peters</b>			
Phone	406-826-4722	DNRC - Plains Unit PO Box 219 Plains, MT 59859	Plains 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	406-751-2240	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 (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 45 days of notification of sale award. The bond amount will be, at a minimum, 15% 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. Road construction is to be completed by July 31, 2013 and prior to harvest operations.
2. Harvest Units 12-1 and 12-2 shall be completed before Priority 2 harvest units can be entered.

<b>TABLE 3. HARVEST COMPLETION SCHEDULE</b>		
<b>Priority</b>	<b>Unit or Portion of Sale</b>	<b>Completion Date</b>
<b>1</b>	<b>Units 12-1 &amp; 12-2</b>	<b>6/30/14</b>
<b>2</b>	<b>Units 12-3,12-4,12-5</b>	<b>6/30/15</b>

3. The Purchaser may elect to remove non-sawlog material at a rate of \$2.00 per ton, as identified in the Timber Sale Contract.

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

<b>LOWER CORONA TIMBER SALE</b>										
<b>Timber Sale Cruise Data</b>										
SPECIES	DF	WL	GF	LP	PP					TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$15.49/ton
Pounds per cubic foot	61.7	58.3	60.0	56.0	62.0					
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	16,865	1,560	1,080	190	3,960					23,655 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)										0 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	2,655	300	165	35	700					3,855 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	10	14	15	10	11					10.5%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	2,395	260	140	30	625					3,450 MBF
Average logs per MBF	22.6	19.4	29.2	26.3	17.4					21.7 logs/M
Average DBH	11.4	12.3	10.0	10.7	13.5					11.6 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									59 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	→									8.7 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									90 - 132
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	3,140 and 3,785 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									9.3%
<b>Tons Per Thousand Board Feet</b>										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	23,655 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 3,450 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									6.86 tons/MBF

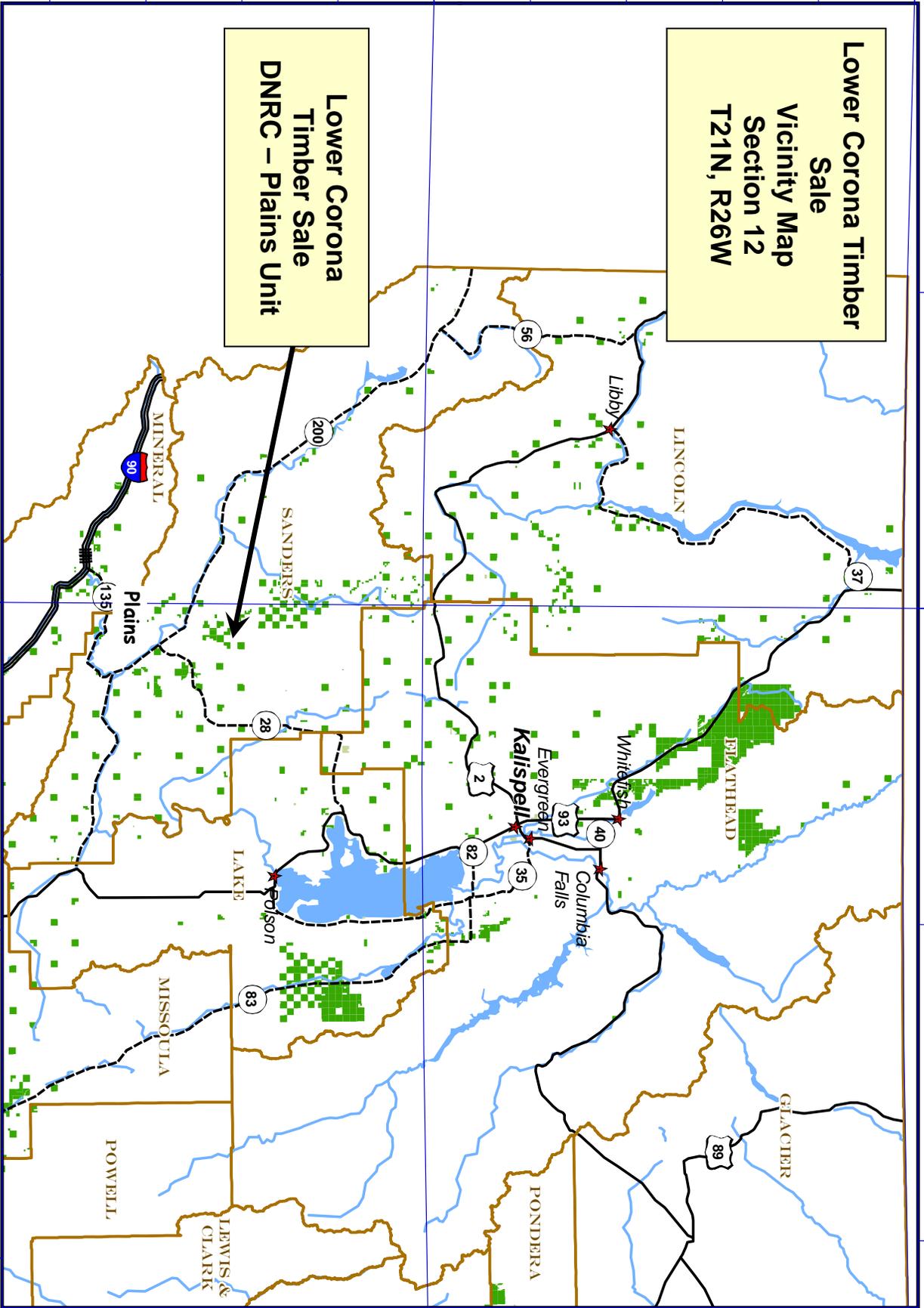
<b>Contract Information</b>	
Contract ending date	7/31/2015
Contract length	38 months
Operating Season:	Year round, but only when Soil Compaction requirements in Section VII.H5 are met.





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**Lower Corona Timber Sale**  
**Vicinity Map**  
**Section 12**  
**T21N, R26W**

**Lower Corona Timber Sale**  
**DNRC – Plains Unit**

Interstate Highway
   
 U.S. Route
   
 State Highway
   
 Rivers
   
 City
   
 County
   
 Lakes
   
 DNRC managed for timber
   
 DNRC other



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 Technical Services Section/dr



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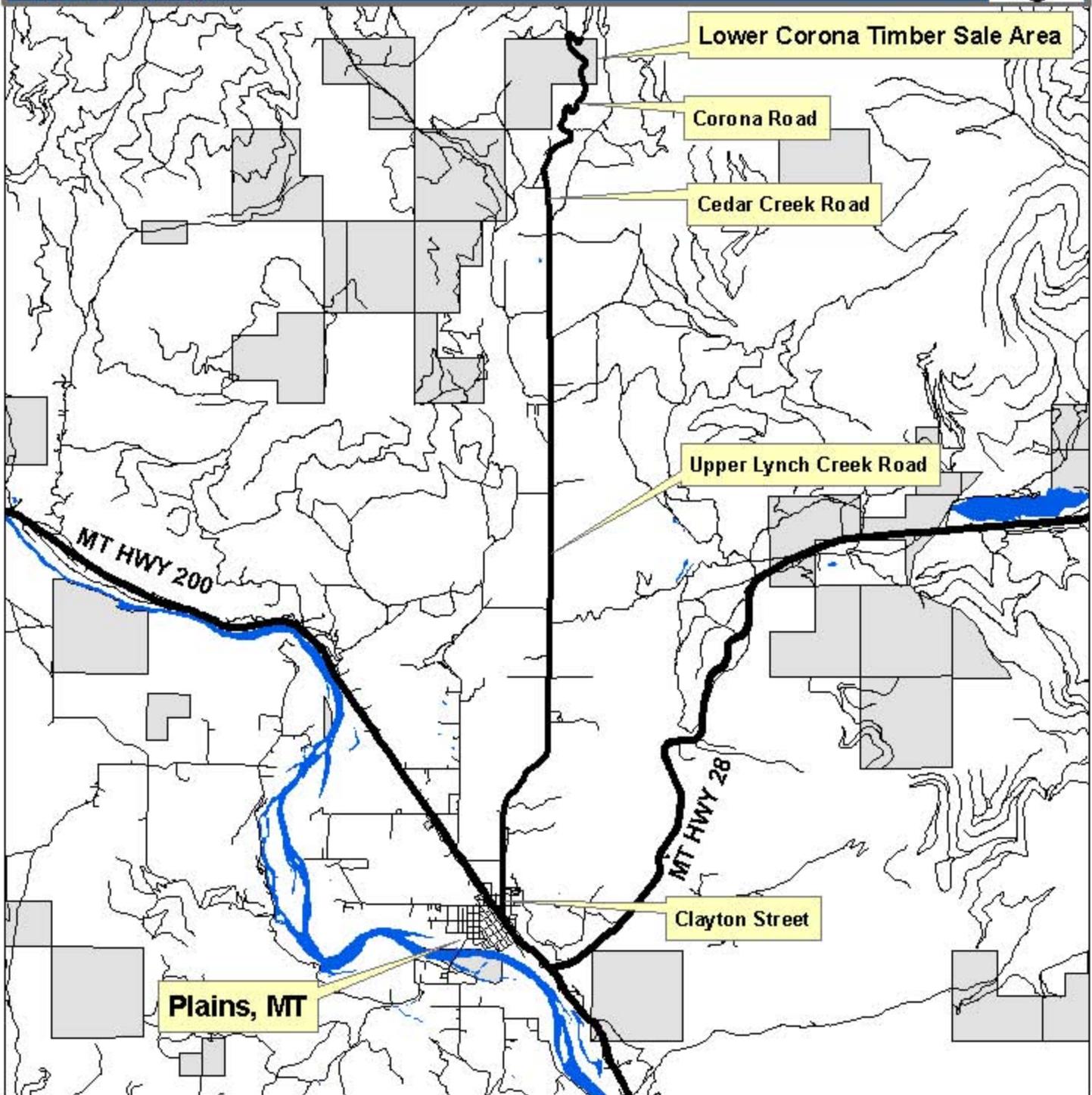
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# Lower Corona Timber Sale, Haul Route Map

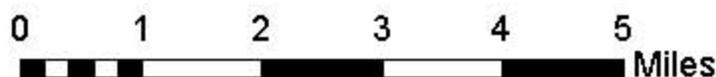
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## Legend

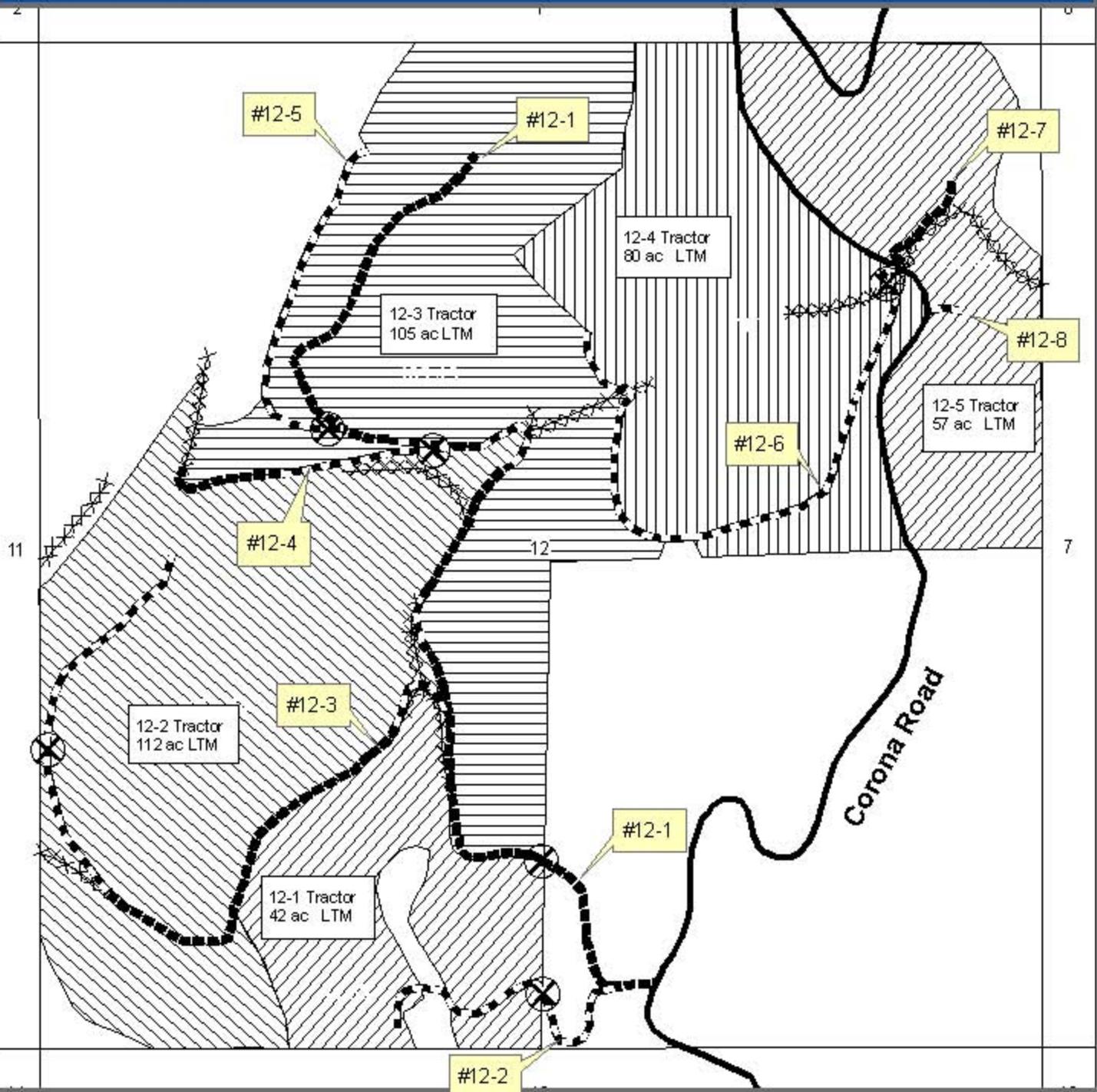
- DNRC Parcels
- Haul Route

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Plains Unit  
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# Lower Corona Timber Sale & Transportation Plan

## T21N R26W S12



### Legend

- New Construction
- Reconstruction
- Road Obliteration
- Gates

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Northwestern Land Office  
Plains Unit  
dmp 1/12

LTM = Leave Tree Marked

