

MAJERUS FIRE SALVAGE TIMBER SALE

**INVITATION TO BID  
(10 DAY AD)**

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

The Majerus Fire Salvage Timber Sale is located within Section 16, T6N-R26E, on the State's Southern Land Office. Approximately 3,600 tons of timber, consisting of burned ponderosa pine sawlogs is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **September 29, 2006 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 **\$900.00**, 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 **14** 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 Northeast Land Office in Lewistown (406-538-7789), or the Southern Land Office in Billings, MT (406-247-4403).

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**

<b>Timber Sale Name: Majerus Fire Salvage</b>			
<b>Timber Sale Location: Musselshell County, Section 16, T6N-R26E</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact: Ron Buck</b>			
Phone	406-538-7789	Northeastern Land Office	Lewistown 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	406-538-7789	Northeastern	Land Office

**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 **14** 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 will be weighed and billed 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 vary, resulting in an overrun or under-run of the estimated tonnage. DNRC strongly recommends that bidders evaluate these effects before bidding.
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 should make their own estimates based on contract requirements.
11. Bidders should examine the Timber Sale Contract and sale area prior to bidding. Additional information is available at the phone numbers shown above.
12. Estimated stand data in this prospectus and volume estimates 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>			
240	Net Sale Area (acres)	N/A	Miles of road construction
July 31, 2007	Contract ending date	N/A	Miles of road reconstruction
N/A	Cable logging required (% of volume)	N/A	Miles of road reclamation or abandonment
Operating Season: 9/29/06-7/15/07			
<b>Charges and Appraised Costs</b>			
\$900.00	Bid Guarantee (total \$)		
20% of bid value	Performance Bond		
None	Collected Road Maintenance And Road Use Charges (\$ per ton)		
\$ 0.40	Collected Forest Improvement Fee (\$ per ton) <b>Concurrent with stumpage</b>		
N/A	Quarterly Installment of Forest Improvement Payments (\$ per payment, first 5 payments)		
None	Road Development Costs - Estimated Purchaser-Do (total \$)		
None	Road Development Costs – Estimated Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
None	Slash Disposal Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
None	Timber Stand Improvement Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		

<b>TABLE 2: Timber Cruise Data and Minimum Bids</b>									
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	WF	CE	DD	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Acceptable Bid									<b>\$ 5.00/Ton</b>
Gross Cubic Feet (in thousands)	125								125
% Cull and Breakage	10								10
Net Cubic Feet (in thousands)	113								113
Pounds per cubic foot	62								62
Net tons	3600								3600
Gross MBF (Scribner 6" top DIB)	550								550
%Cull and Breakage	10								10
Net MBF	480								480
Average logs per MBF	25								25
Average DBH	10								10
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units									N/A
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units									N/A
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale									2.08
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise									50
<b>Calculated Sampling Error</b> ( <i>net</i> MBF): 9.5 % and (net tons): 9.5%									
The total cruised volume will fall between 450 and 500 thousand net board feet in 9 out of 10 cruises									
<b>Tons Per Thousand Board Feet Conversion Factor</b> = 3,600 net tons per 480 net MBF = 7.50 tons per MBF									

<b>TABLE 3: Unit Harvest Volume and Harvest Schedule</b>					
Unit	Section	Acres	Estimated Net Tons	Estimated Net MBF	Removal Date
A	Burned tree removal	98	1,440	192	July 15, 2007
B	Burned tree removal	62	900	120	July 15, 2007
C	Burned tree removal	80	1,260	168	July 15, 2007

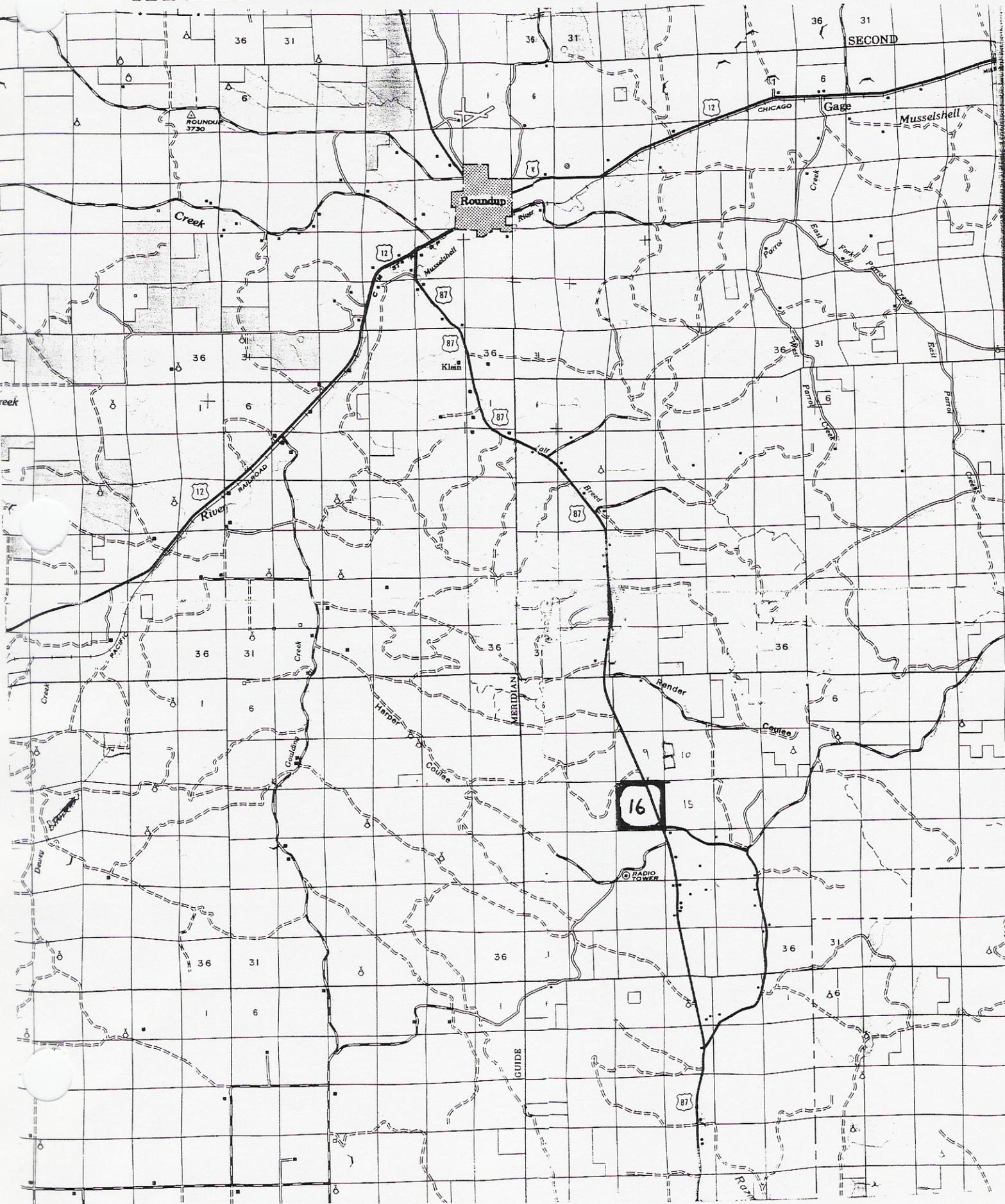
**ADDITIONAL SALE INFORMATION:**

1. The Purchaser is responsible for road maintenance as directed by the Forest Officer.

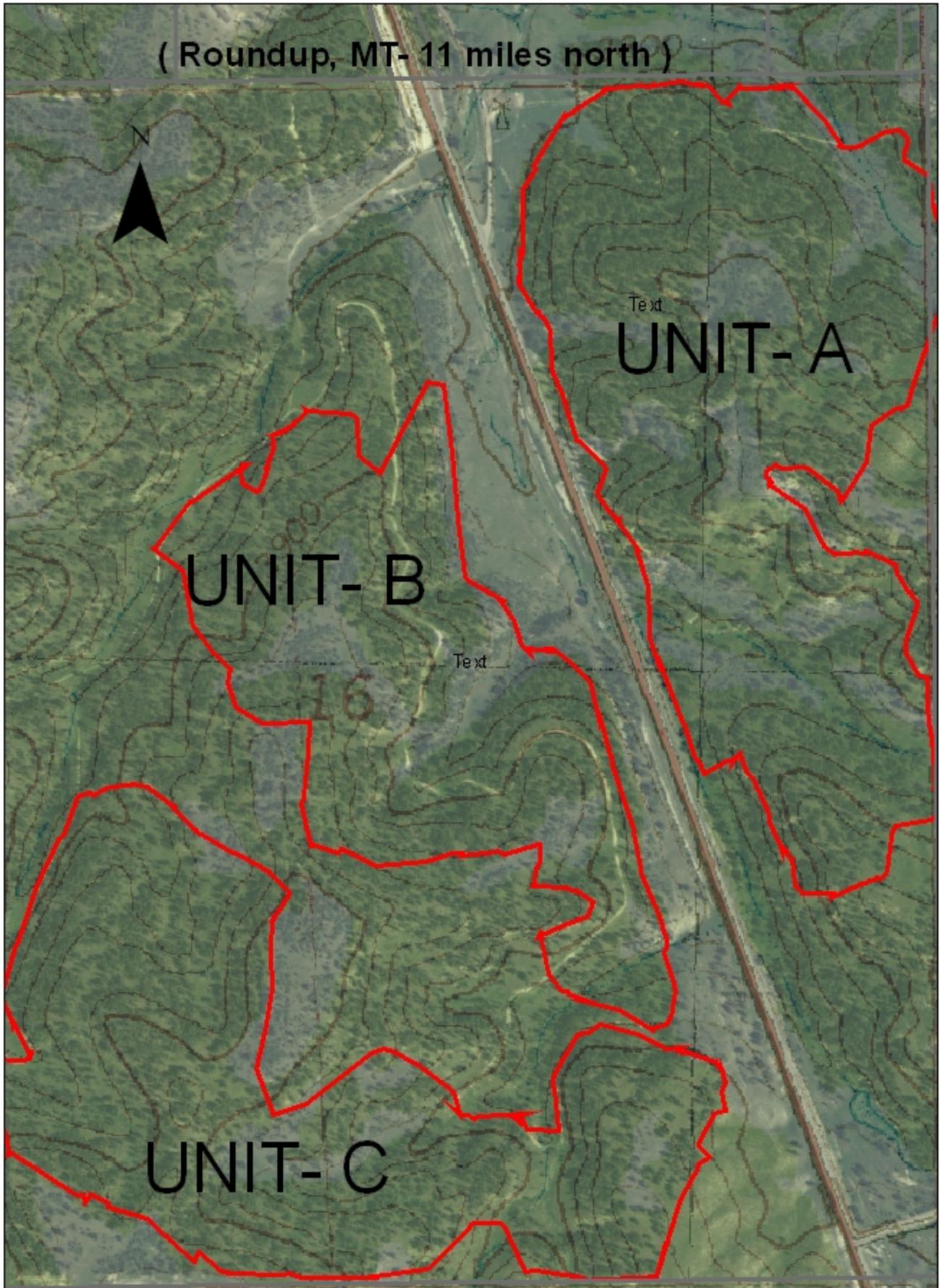
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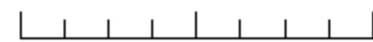
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