

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Scout Lake #4 Timber Sale is located within Sections 19 & 29, T24N-R17W, on the State's Swan River State Forest. Approximately 9,849 tons of sawlogs, consisting primarily of western larch, grand fir, spruce, and Douglas-fir sawlogs is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **March 4, 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 **\$10,790.00**, 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) 751-2257, or the Swan River State Forest Office in Swan Lake, MT (406-754-2301).

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

/s/ Sonya Germann, 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: Scout Lake #4			
Timber Sale Location: Sections 19 & 29, T24N-R17W			
For specific sale information, contact: Karen Goode			
Phone	406-754-2301	Swan	Unit Office
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2257	Northwest	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, cashier's 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. All units are in a "closed" Grizzly Bear Subunit. This means that harvest operations are restricted and may only occur between November 16th and March 1st for the years 2013 and 2014. In 2015 the Grizzly Bear Subunit "opens" which allows harvest operations to occur from June 16th to March 1st. Grizzly Bear Spring Habitat closures will be applicable between April 1st and June 15, 2015. No activity may occur behind road closures during this time.
2. Non-sawlog material may be purchased if approved by the Forest Officer. This material would be billed at a negotiated rate as detailed in a contract amendment.
3. In addition, Units 19-12 and 19-17 are **restricted to the winter operating period from award of the contract to March 1, 2013, November 16, 2013 to March 1, 2014, and November 16, 2014 to March 1, 2015.**
4. Units 19-12, 19-17, 29-07, and 29-22 have SMZ areas flagged. Cut trees are marked for harvesting within the SMZ.
5. Requires winter road building during the operational period of November 16th – December 15th. Spreading of gravel, blading, and other road maintenance activities can be done during the summer.
6. Weed spraying is required on all designated haul routes behind road closures prior to or the spring following completion of all commercial activities. Weed spraying application must be completed by July 1st weather permitting. Spraying shall be done by a commercial applicator licensed by the State of Montana or by personnel under the direct supervision of the licensed applicator.
7. Unit 19-17 has a species designation for removal of merchantable LPP, GF, and AF. Other species present in the stand are marked to cut.
8. Units 19-17 and 29- 07 have Permitted Crossings.
9. Units 19-12 and 19-17 have required slashing.
10. Units 29-07 has required lopping.

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Scout Lake 4										
Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	DF	WL	LP	ES	AF	GF			Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$21.91/ton
Pounds per cubic foot	62	58	56	57	55	60				
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	1,436	3,252	88	1,790	1,235	2,009			40	9,849 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)										0 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	282	807	18	349	230	465			10	2,159 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	15	14	15	13	17	30			15	18.1%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	238	690	15	302	191	324			8	1,768 MBF
Average logs per MBF	16.4	8.7	18.8	19.8	30	22.7			27.7	16.7 logs/M
Average DBH	15.4	21.3	11.2	12.4	10.5	13.6			10	13.7 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									56 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units	→									28 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale	→									8.5 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									7-68
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	1,518 and 2,019 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									14.2%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	9,849 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 1,768 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									5.57 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract ending date	8/31/2016
Contract length	42 months
Operating Season:	Award of contract - 3/1/2013; 11/16/2013 - 3/1/2014; 11/16/2014 - 3/1/2015; 6/16/2015 - 3/1/2016

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by ground lead (jammer)	00%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	500 ft.
Yarding distance ground lead (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	60.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	2.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$25.13/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$4.51/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$44,418.99
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$7,403.17
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$1,431
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.15/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton
Bid Guarantee (total \$)	\$10,790.00
Performance Bond	15% of bid value

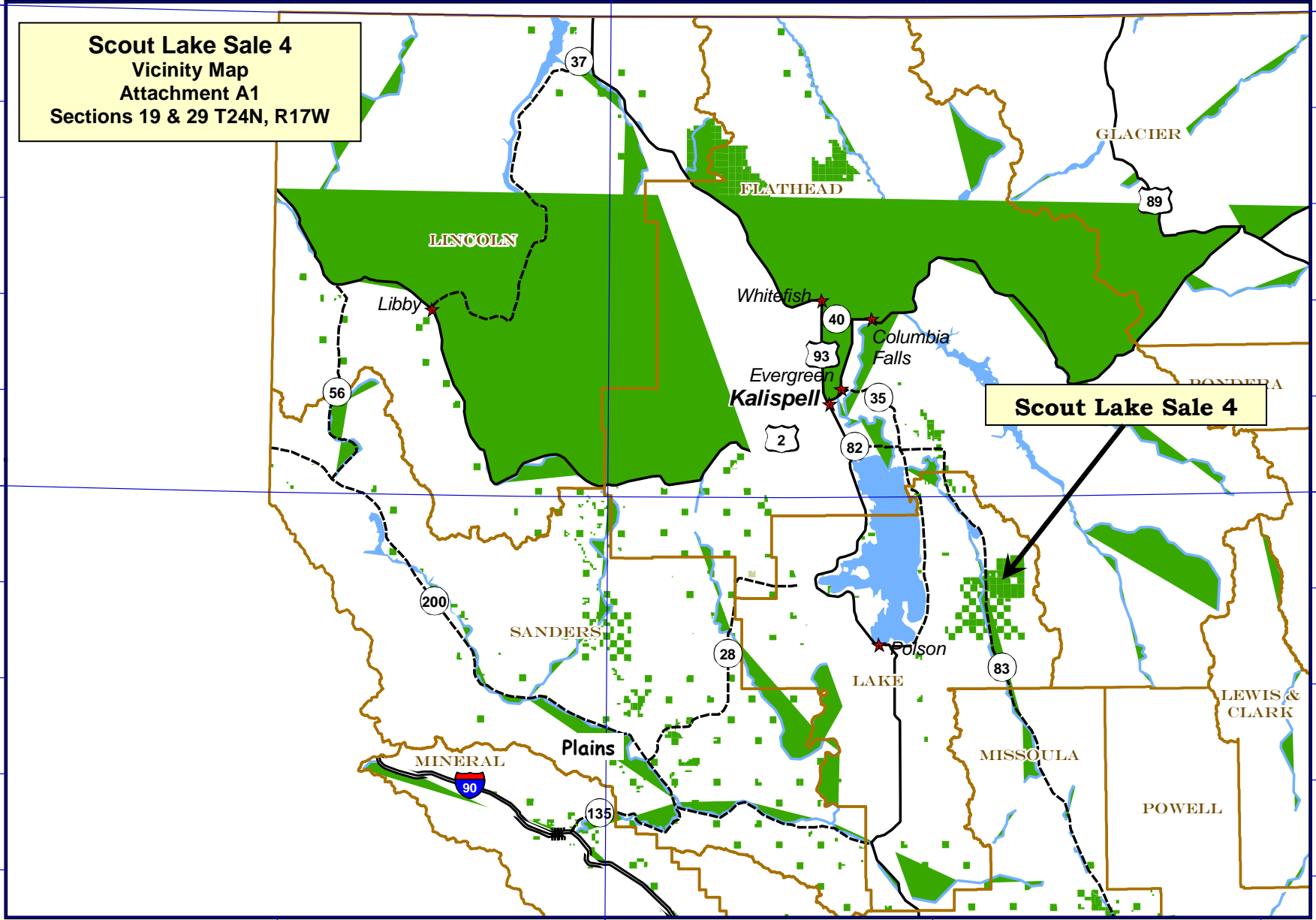
Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$18,982
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$1.93/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$10.73/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$8,619
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.88/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.6 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	6.1 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	0.0 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest date
19-12	61	3,439	630	March 1, 2015
19-17	67	1,851	316	March 1, 2015
29-07	14	794	145	March 1, 2016
29-22	47	2,307	411	March 1, 2016
29-23	20	1,458	266	March 1, 2016
	209 Ac.	9,849 tons	1,768 MBF	

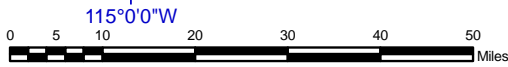
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Legal description by trust					Unit harvest volume			
Legal description - subdivisions	Section	Twn	Rge	Grant	Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF
S1/2	19	24N	17W	CS	19-12	61	3,439	630
E1/2	19	24N	17W	CS	19-17	67	1,851	316
S1/2	29	24N	17W	CS	29-07	14	794	145
W1/2	29	24N	17W	CS	29-22	47	2,307	411
SE1/4	29	24N	17W	CS	29-23	20	1,458	266
See Instructions for how to fill in this table								
Totals						209 Ac.	9,849 T	1,768 M

**Scout Lake Sale 4
Vicinity Map
Attachment A1
Sections 19 & 29 T24N, R17W**

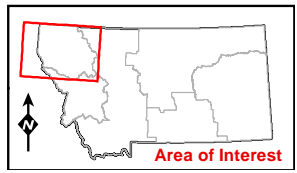


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	Interstate Highway		Rivers		Lakes
	U.S. Route		City		DNRC managed for timber
	State Highway		County		DNRC other

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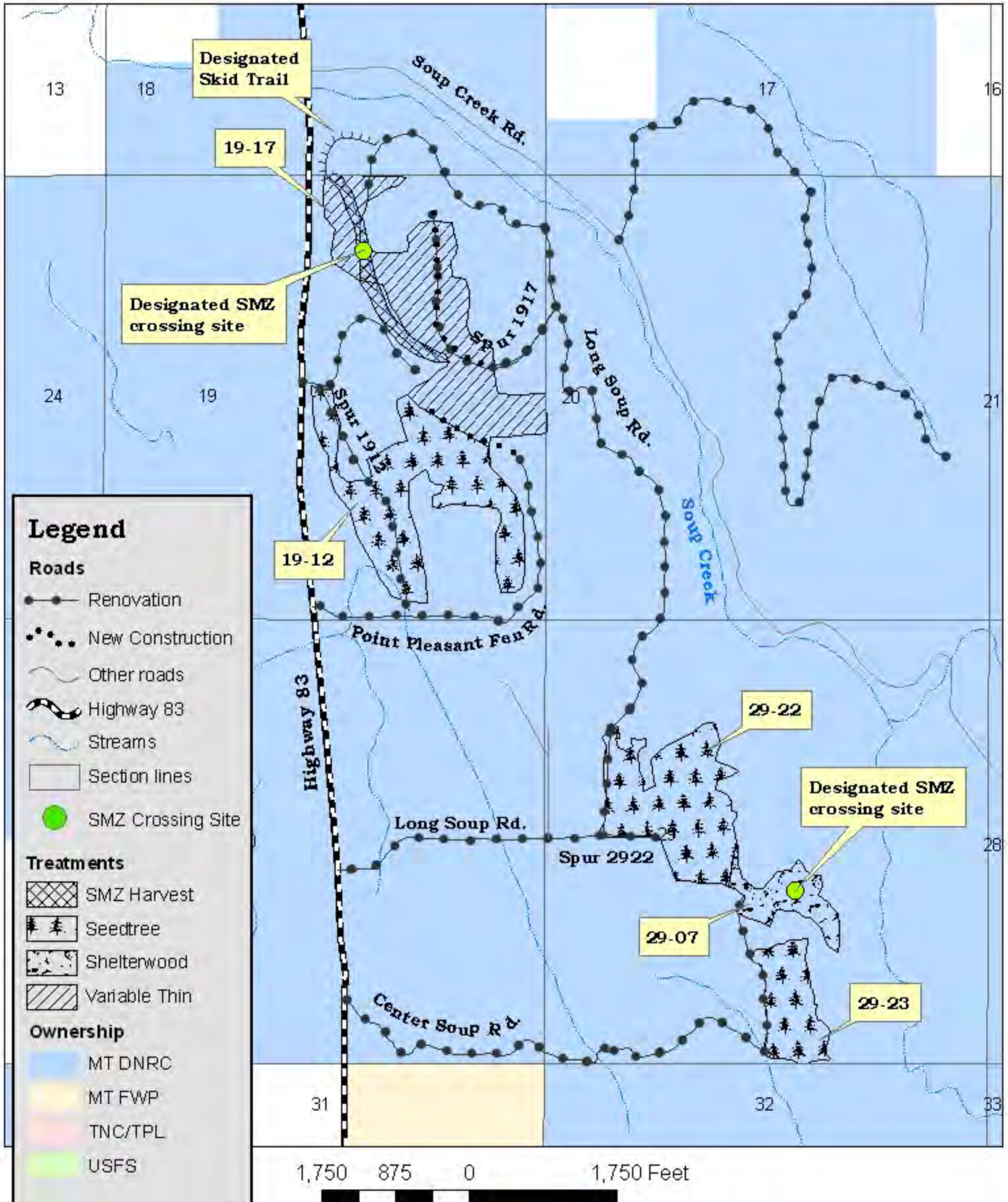


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Project Area Map

Sections 19 and 29 T24N R17W

Attachment A2

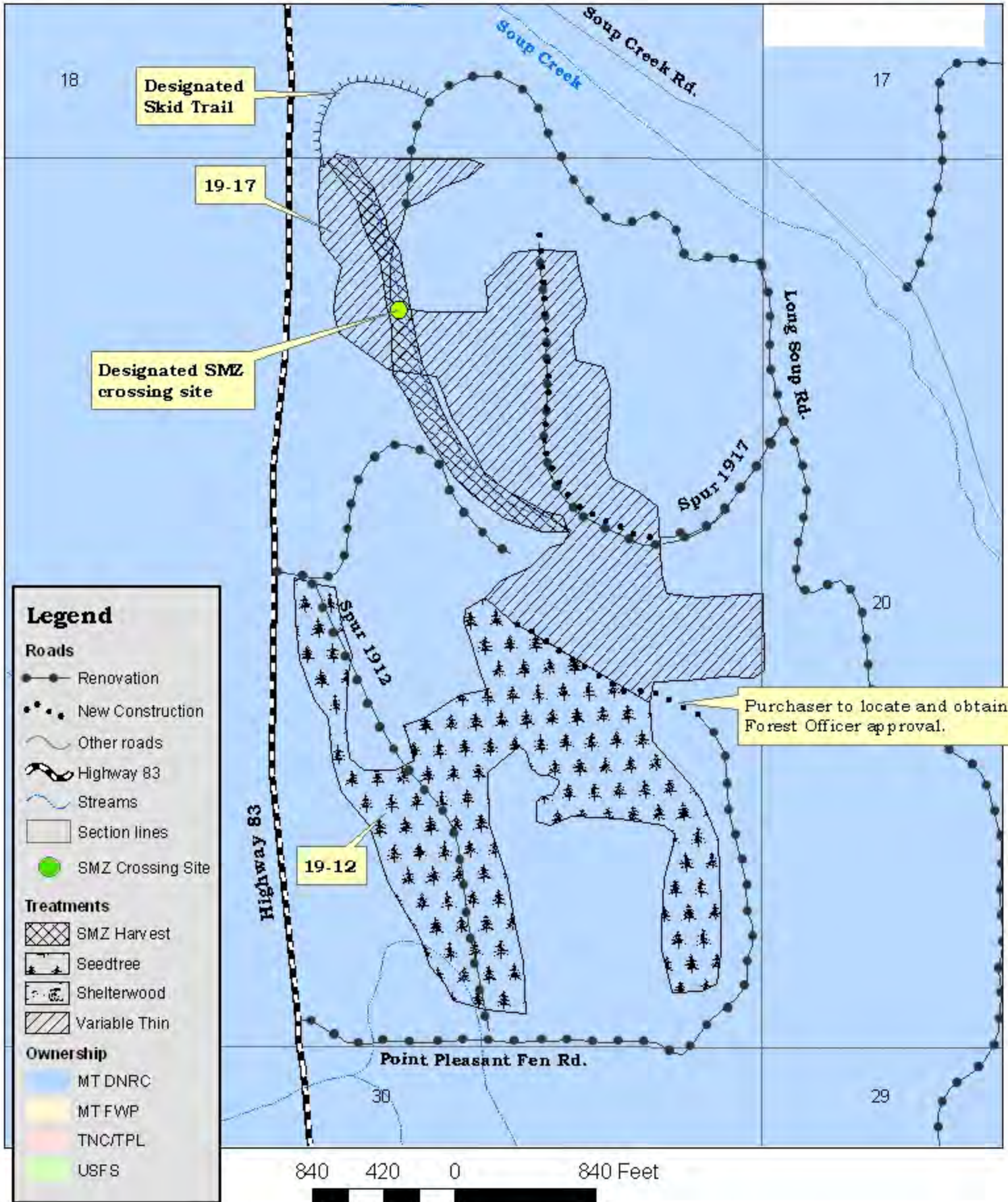


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Unit and Haul Route Map

Section 19 T24N R17W

Attachment A3



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Unit and Haul Route Map

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