

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Upper Willow Salvage Timber Sale is located within Section 16, T8N-R15W, on the State's Anaconda Unit. Approximately 11,386 tons of sawlogs, consisting of beetle infested lodgepole pine is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **November 30, 2009 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 **\$4,776.00**, 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. **Award of the timber sale is conditional upon approval of the timber sale by the State Board of Land Commissioners at their November 16, 2009 meeting.** If the successful bidder is unable to execute the contract within **21** 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 Anaconda Unit (406-563-6078).

Visit our website at <http://www.dnrc.mt.gov> Online Services for upcoming sales and bid results

/s/ Shawn Thomas, 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: Upper Willow Salvage			
Timber Sale Location: Section 16, T8N-R15W			
For specific sale information, contact: Brian Robbins			
Phone	406-563-6078	Unit Office: Anaconda	
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-542-4200	Southwestern Land Office	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 16, 2009 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 **21** days of notification of sale award. The bond amount will be **at a minimum of \$10,000.00 or 10% of the total bid value of the sale, whichever is greater.** 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.

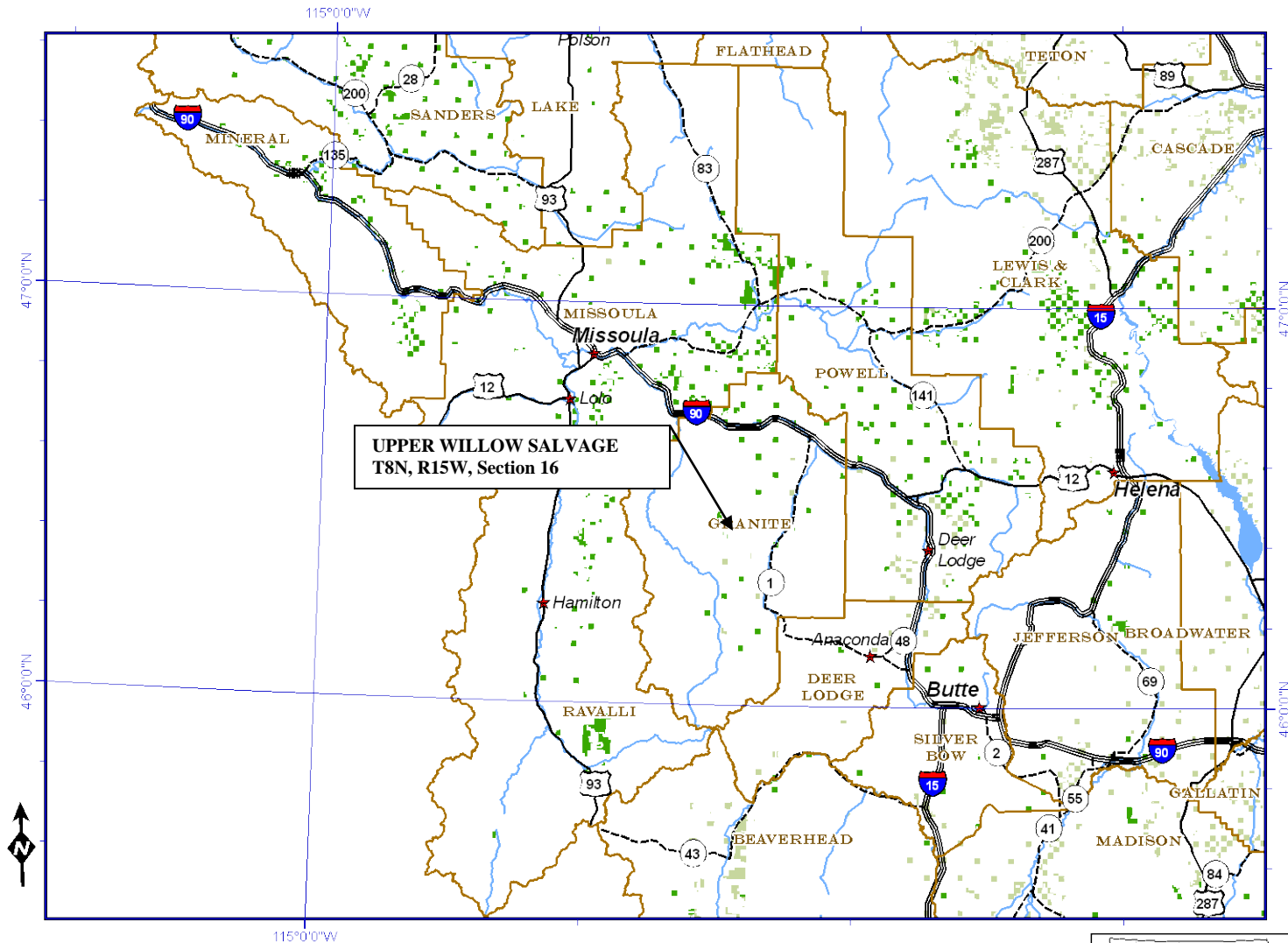
TABLE 1: Summary of Sale Specifications			
Sale Data			
216	Net Sale Area (acres)	.63	Miles of temp road construction
October 1, 2011	Contract ending date	0	Miles of road reconstruction
N/A	Cable logging	.63	Miles of road reclamation or abandonment
Operating Season: Road Construction: 7/1 – 11/15. Harvest Operations: 7/1 – 2/15. (See additional sale information for restrictions)			
Charges and Appraised Costs			
\$4,776.00	Bid Guarantee (total \$)		
\$10,000 minimum	Performance Bond (total \$)		
\$0	Collected Road Maintenance And Road Use Charges (\$ per ton)		
\$5.11	Collected Forest Improvement Fee (\$ per ton)		
\$9,697.08	Quarterly Installment of Forest Improvement Payments (\$ per payment, first 5 payments)		
\$8,000	Road Development Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (total \$)		
\$0.18	Road Maintenance Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
\$0	Slash Disposal Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		
\$0	Timber Stand Improvement Costs - Appraised Purchaser-Do (\$ per ton)		

TABLE 2: Timber Cruise Data and Minimum Bids									
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	AF	CE	Dead/Dry	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Acceptable Bid									\$8.39/ton
Pounds per cubic foot				50					50
Contract Tons				11,386					11,386
Gross MBF (Scribner 6" top DIB)				2,477					2,477
%Cull and Breakage				25%					25%
Net MBF				1,858					1,858
Average logs per MBF				24.5					24.5
Average DBH				11.6					11.6
Average tons per acre harvested									52.7
Average Net MBF cut per acre on the timber sale									8.6
Calculated Sampling Error (net MBF): 12.8%									
The total cruised volume will fall between 1,619 and 2,096 thousand net board feet in 9 out of 10 cruises									
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet Conversion Factor = 6.13 tons per MBF (average all species)									

TABLE 3: Unit Harvest Volume and Harvest Schedule					
Unit	Section	Acres	Estimated Net Tons	Estimated Net MBF	Removal Date
All	16	216	11,386	1,858	February 15, 2011

Additional Sale Information:

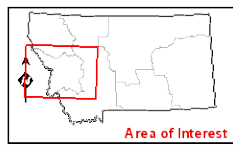
1. Non-Sawlog - This timber sale contains approximately 1,500 tons of OPTIONAL removal non-sawlog material. The price for this material will be at a fixed rate of \$1.00/Ton.
2. CMP Removal – Upon completion of the timber sale, the Purchaser will be required to remove 3 existing culverts and reslope the banks to create drive-through fords. Purchaser will also be required to load and haul 30 cubic yards of 3" or larger, coarse angular rock to the fords (located approximately 2 miles up Upper Willow Creek Road, contact Hans Bohrenson).
3. Purchaser will be required to furnish and install a 14' Powder River gate and remove the existing damaged gate.
4. Logging includes a minor amount of SMZ harvest. The Purchaser will be required to work closely with the sale administrator to conduct operations in accordance with the SMZ law.
5. All temporary roads will be re-claimed by the Purchaser upon completion of the sale.

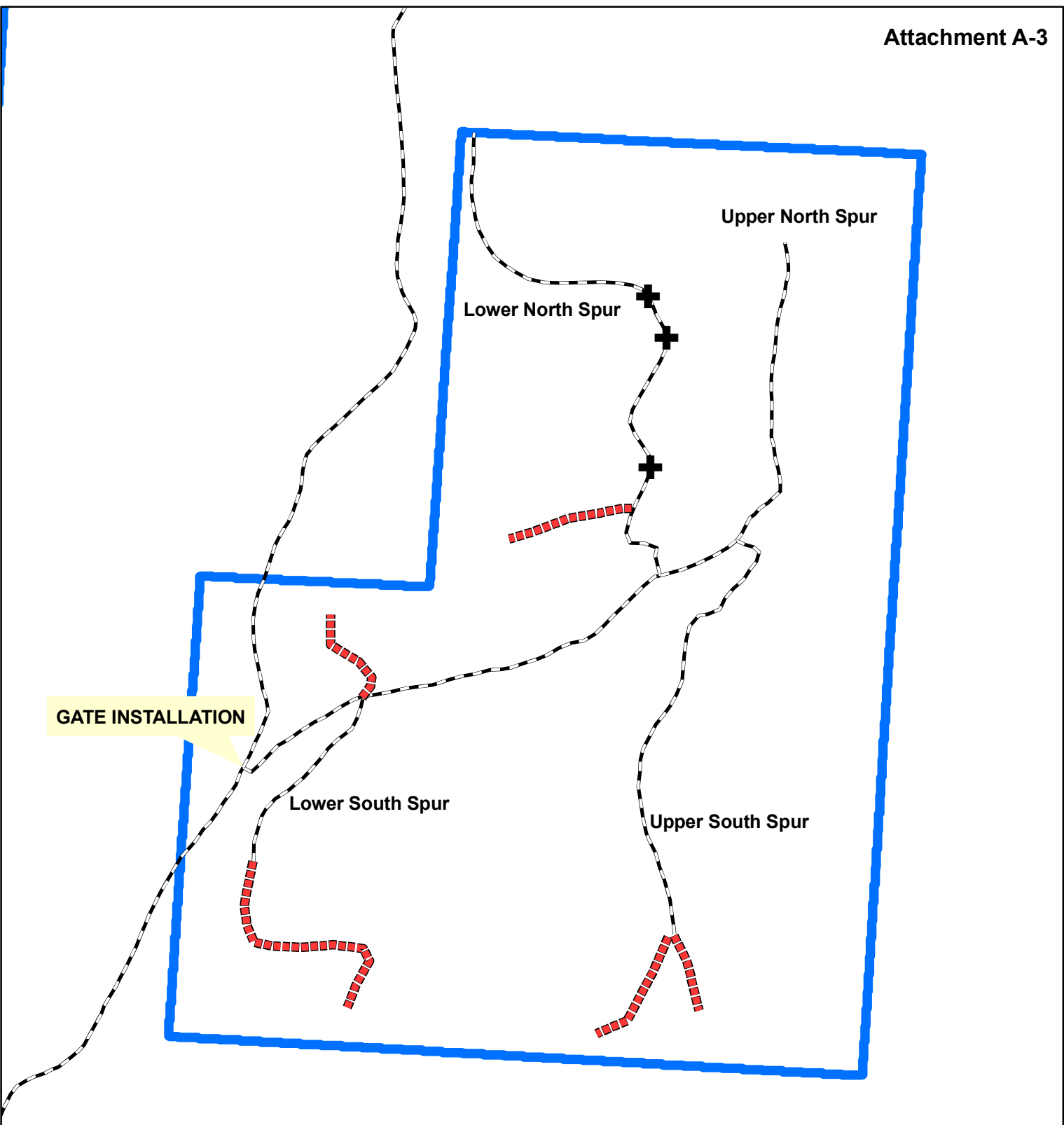


	Interstate Highway		Rivers		Lakes
	U.S. Route		City		DNRC managed for timber
	State Highway		County		DNRC other



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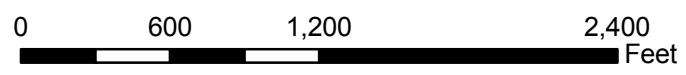
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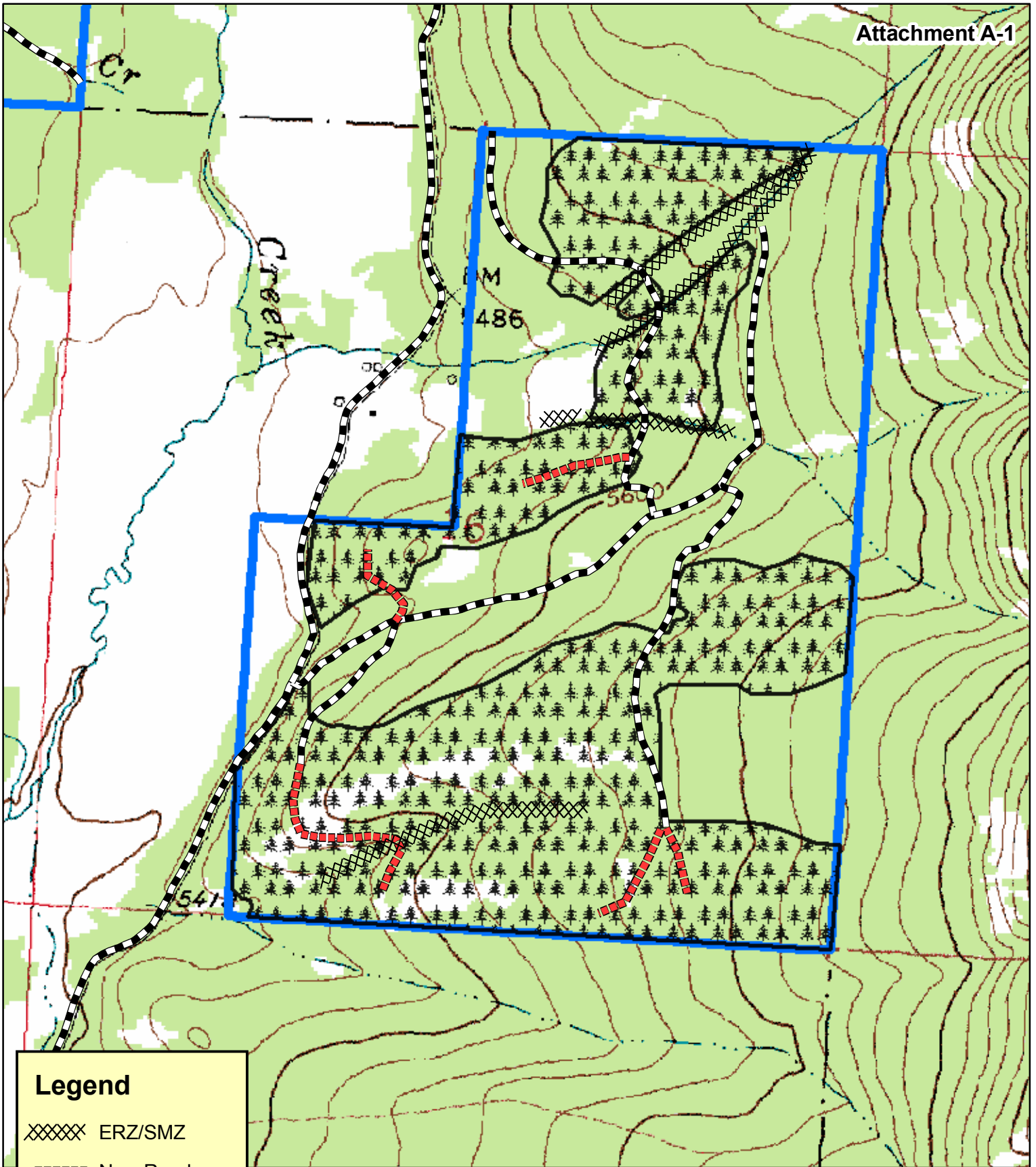
- ⊕ CMP Removals
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ROAD MAP

T8N, R15W, Section 16





Legend

- XXXXXX ERZ/SMZ
- New Roads
- state land
- proposed units
- Existing roads

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