

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The White Bird Timber Sale is located within Section 2, T23N-R18W, on the State's Swan River State Forest. Approximately 971 tons of sawlogs, consisting primarily of western larch and spruce sawlogs is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **September 1, 2011 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 **\$582.00**, 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 **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), 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/ 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: White Bird			
Timber Sale Location: Section 2, T23N-R18W			
For specific sale information, contact: Kristen Baker			
Phone	406-754-2301	Unit Office: Swan Unit	
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2240	Land Office: Northwest	

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, 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.

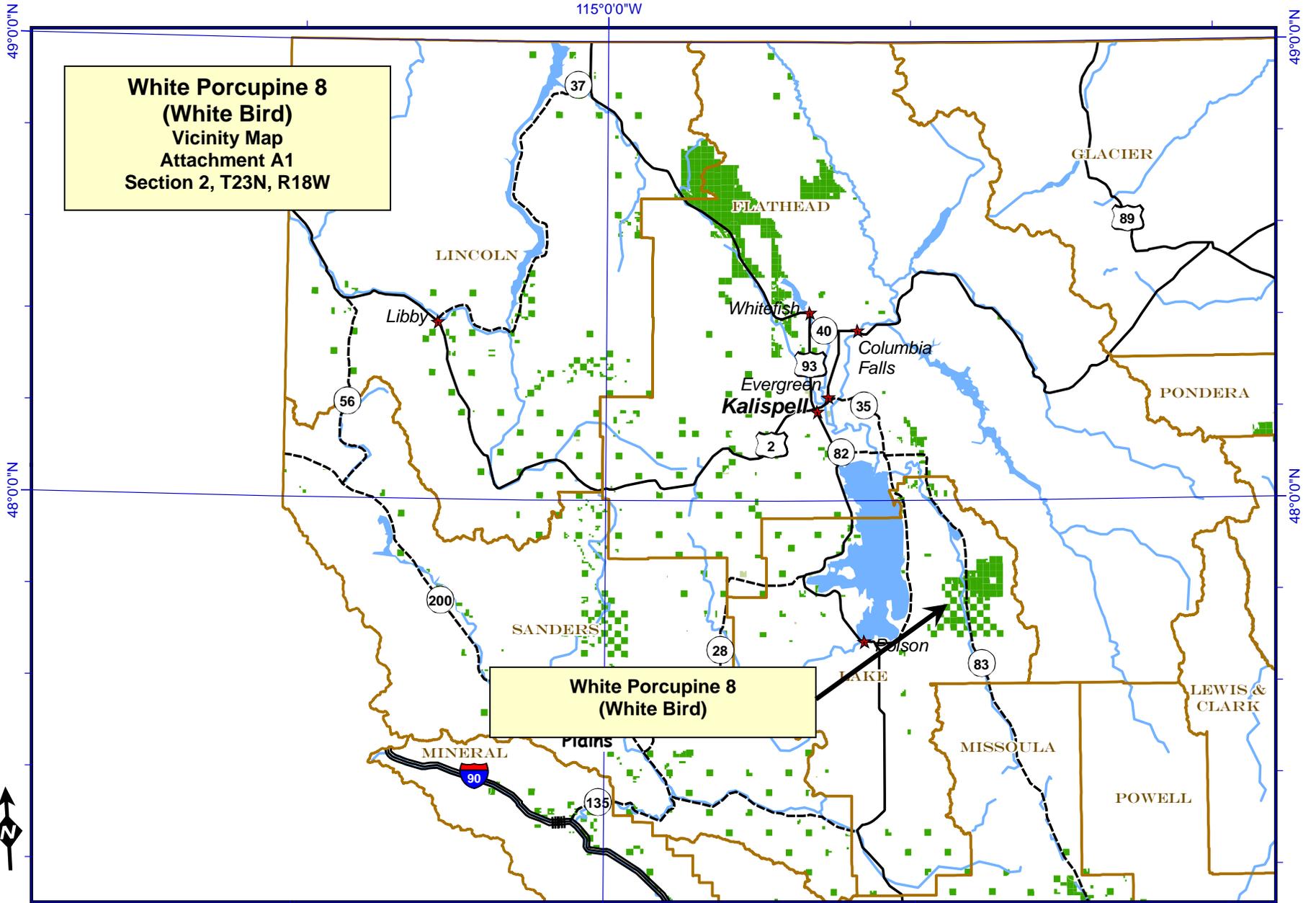
Additional Sale Information:

1. Timber harvest operation periods are restricted. Harvesting may only occur from June 16, 2011 – March 31, 2012, November 16, 2012 – March 31, 2013, and November 16, 2013 – March 31, 2014.
2. Road work operational periods are restricted. New road construction may only occur from June 16 – November 15, 2011. Road maintenance may occur from June 16, 2011 – March 31, 2012. After that timeframe, road maintenance may only occur: over the course of 30 days total per year from June 16 – November 16, 2013 and June 16 – November 16, 2014; or from November 16, 2012 – March 31, 2013, and November 16, 2013 – March 31, 2014.
3. Road construction is optional depending on the completion of the connecting spur. If the connecting spur has not been completed alternate designated skid trails can be constructed. The alternate skid trails would require skidding distances between 1,500 to 3,000 feet.
4. Road construction passes through units associated with other sales. Right-of-way timber in those areas is to be decked for removal by sales' Purchaser.
5. DNRC requests delivered log scale data for timber sale quality control purposes. Information will remain confidential.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES		DF	WL	AF	ES	GF	CE	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$11.99/ton
Pounds per cubic foot		62	58	55	57	60	44.0	60.0	40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)		46	468	17	261	68	12	15	84	971 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		14	170	9	78	34	4	5	46	359 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		35	40	70	40	70	40	35	48	43.9%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		9	105	3	47	10	2	3	22	201 MBF
Average logs per MBF		11.2	8.3	75.4	20.5	63.7	22.9	9.3	28	15.0 logs/M
Average DBH		16.8	27.8	12.3	15.4	11.7	13.1	25.5	19.5	17.4 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									49 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	→									10.1 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									59
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	174 and 233 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									14.6%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	971 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 201 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									4.82 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract ending date	September 30, 2014.
Contract length	37 months
Operating Season:	June 16, 2011 - March 31, 2012; November 16, 2012 - March 31, 2013; November 16, 2013 - March 31, 2014.



**White Porcupine 8
(White Bird)
Vicinity Map
Attachment A1
Section 2, T23N, R18W**



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

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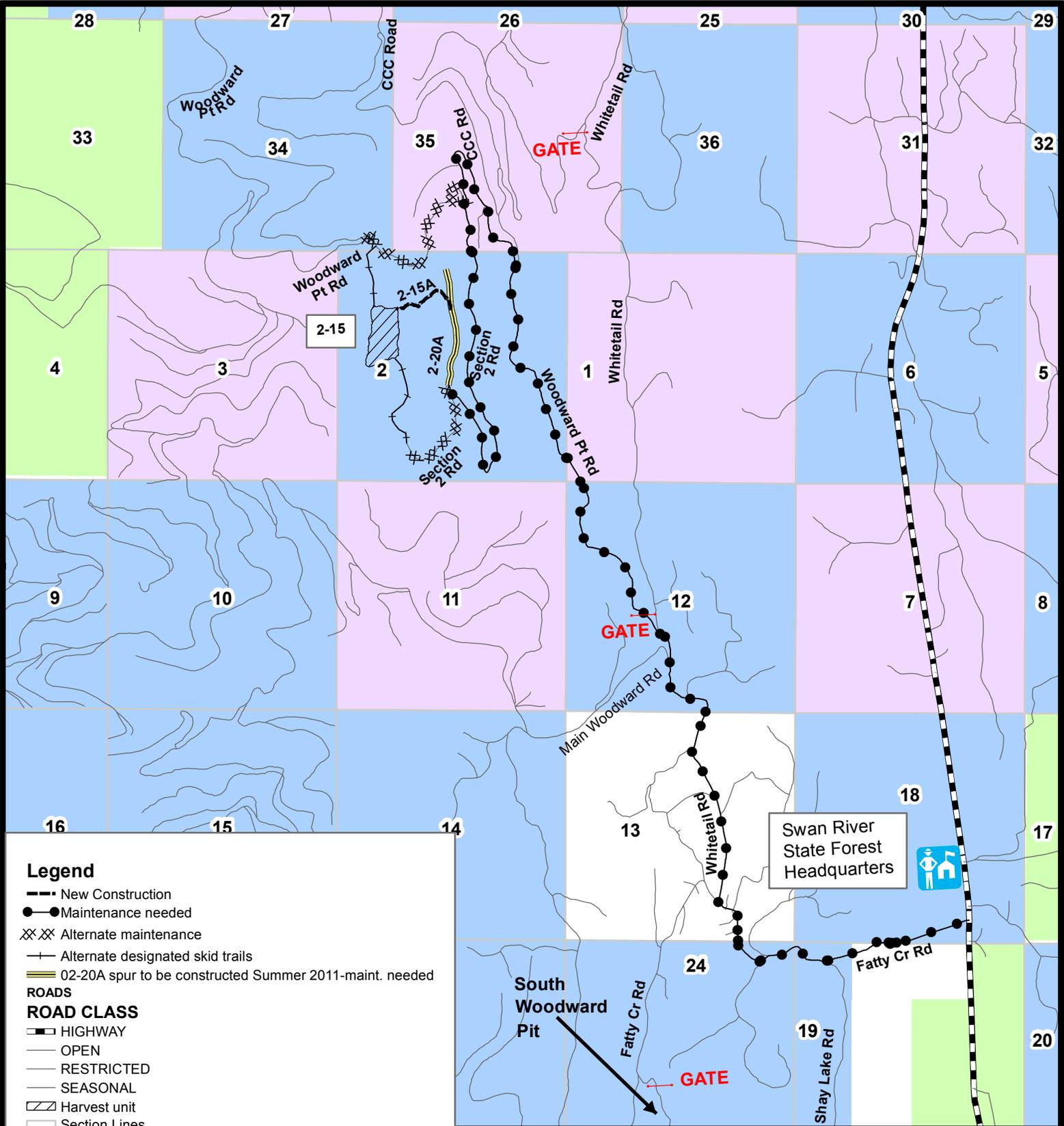


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Attachment A2

Vicinity Map 1

Section 2, T23N, R18W



Legend

- New Construction
 - Maintenance needed
 - XX Alternate maintenance
 - Alternate designated skid trails
 - 02-20A spur to be constructed Summer 2011-maint. needed
- ROADS**
- ROAD CLASS**
- ▬ HIGHWAY
 - OPEN
 - RESTRICTED
 - SEASONAL
 - ▨ Harvest unit
 - Section Lines
- Ownership**
- MT DNRC
 - TPL/TNC
 - USFS



Montana DNRC
Swan Unit

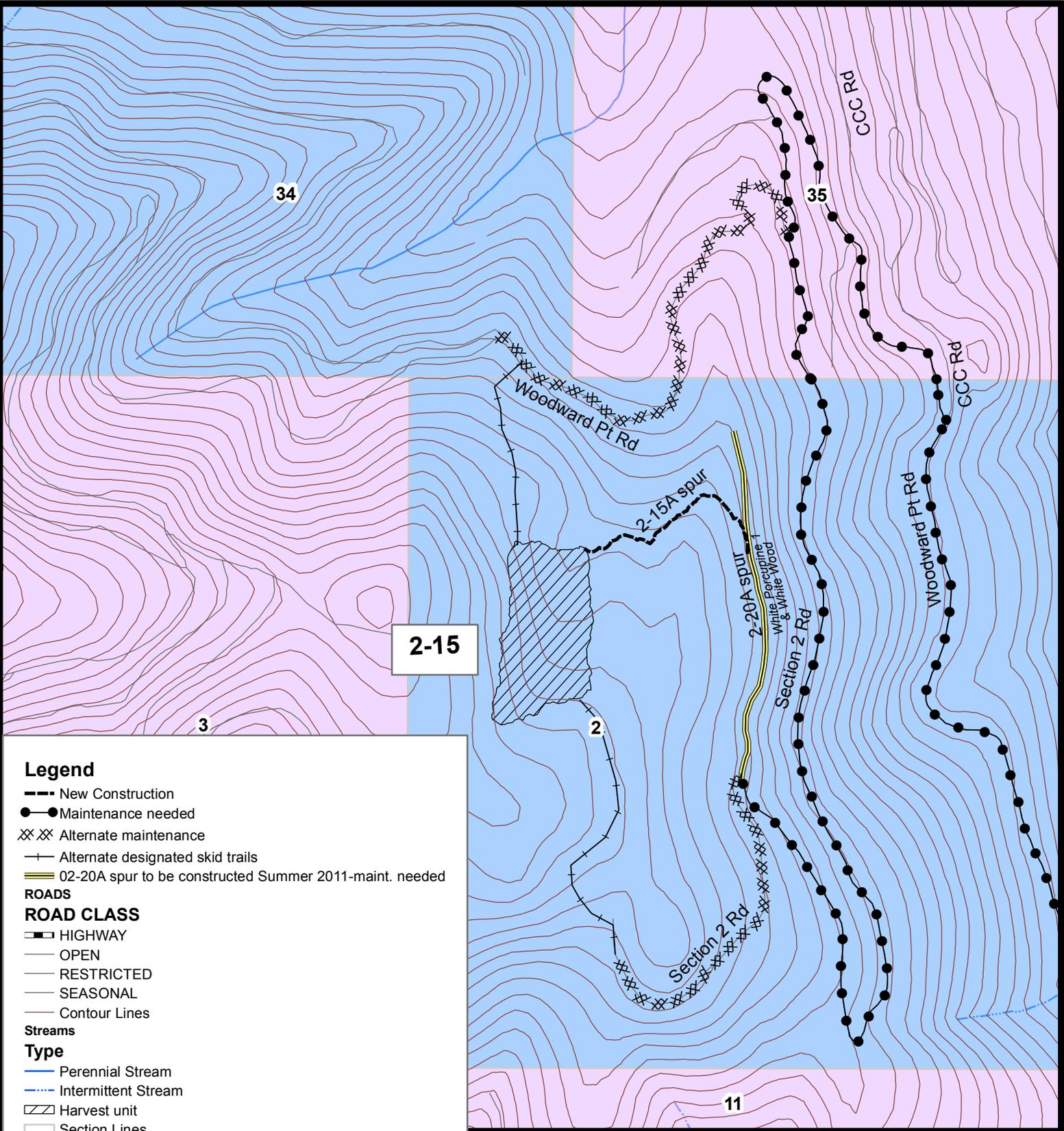


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Attachment A3

Area Map 1

Section 2, T23N, R18W



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- New Construction
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ROADS

ROAD CLASS

- ▬ HIGHWAY
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Streams

Type

- Perennial Stream
- - - Intermittent Stream

- ▨ Harvest unit
- Section Lines

Ownership

- MT DNRC
- TPL/TNC
- USFS



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Swan Unit

