

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The White Donut Timber Sale is located within Section 23, T24N-R18W, on the State's Swan River State Forest. Approximately 964 tons of sawlogs, consisting primarily of western larch, white pine, and cedar is offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **August 31, 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 **\$789.00**, 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), the Northwestern Land Office in Kalispell (406-751-2240), or the Swan River State Forest Office in Swan Lake, MT (406-754-2301).

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

Publication Dates: July 30, August 6, 13, 20, 2009

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: White Donut			
Timber Sale Location: Section 23, T24N-R18W			
For specific sale information, contact: Kristen Baker or Bill Burdick			
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	406-751-2240	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 **30** days of notification of sale award. The bond amount will be at a **minimum of \$3,000.00 of 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. **Other Material** – There is an estimated 480 tons of material suitable for pulpwood logs available for purchase at a negotiated rate to the successful purchaser.
2. **Whitetail Bridge Replacement** – The Whitetail Road will be closed for bridge replacement over Whitetail Creek for approximately 2 to 4 weeks sometime between July 15, 2009 and November 30, 2009. Due to the fact that a Temporary Road Use Agreement (TRUP) is not available between the Montana DNRC and the U.S. Forest Service, hauling on or through U.S. Forest Service lands via the Porcupine Creek road is not permitted.
3. **Dust Abatement** - If hauling occurs during dusty conditions, the Purchaser will be required to apply dust abatement on Fatty Creek Road (2.31 miles) and Whitetail Road (5.20 miles). Dust abatement shall be applied as needed.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

White Donut Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	WF	CE	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid										\$16.37/ton
Pounds per cubic foot	0	61.7	58.0	0.0	57.0	58.0	44.0	60.0	40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	0	34	414	0	82	82	96	145	111	964 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)										645 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	0	13	152	0	26	72	35	53	49	400 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	0	35%	40%	0	35%	65%	40%	40%	48%	50.0%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	0	7	86	0	17	17	20	30	23	200 MBF
Average logs per MBF	0	5.1	2.6	0	25.8	63.21	12.8	3.3	22.55	14.2 logs/M
Average DBH	0	21.9	26.7	0	12.3	13.5	17.9	24.4	21.86	16.2 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units	→									74 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	→									16.7 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise	→									118
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	177 and 256 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									18.2%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	964 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 200 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									4.82 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract ending date	12/31/2010
Contract length	16 total, 13 active
Operating Season:	July 1, 2009 - March 31, 2010; June 16, 2010 - September 30, 2010.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	100%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by ground lead (jammer)	00%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
Yarding distance tractor	830 ft.
Yarding distance ground lead	0 ft.
Yarding distance skyline	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	59.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	8.0 miles

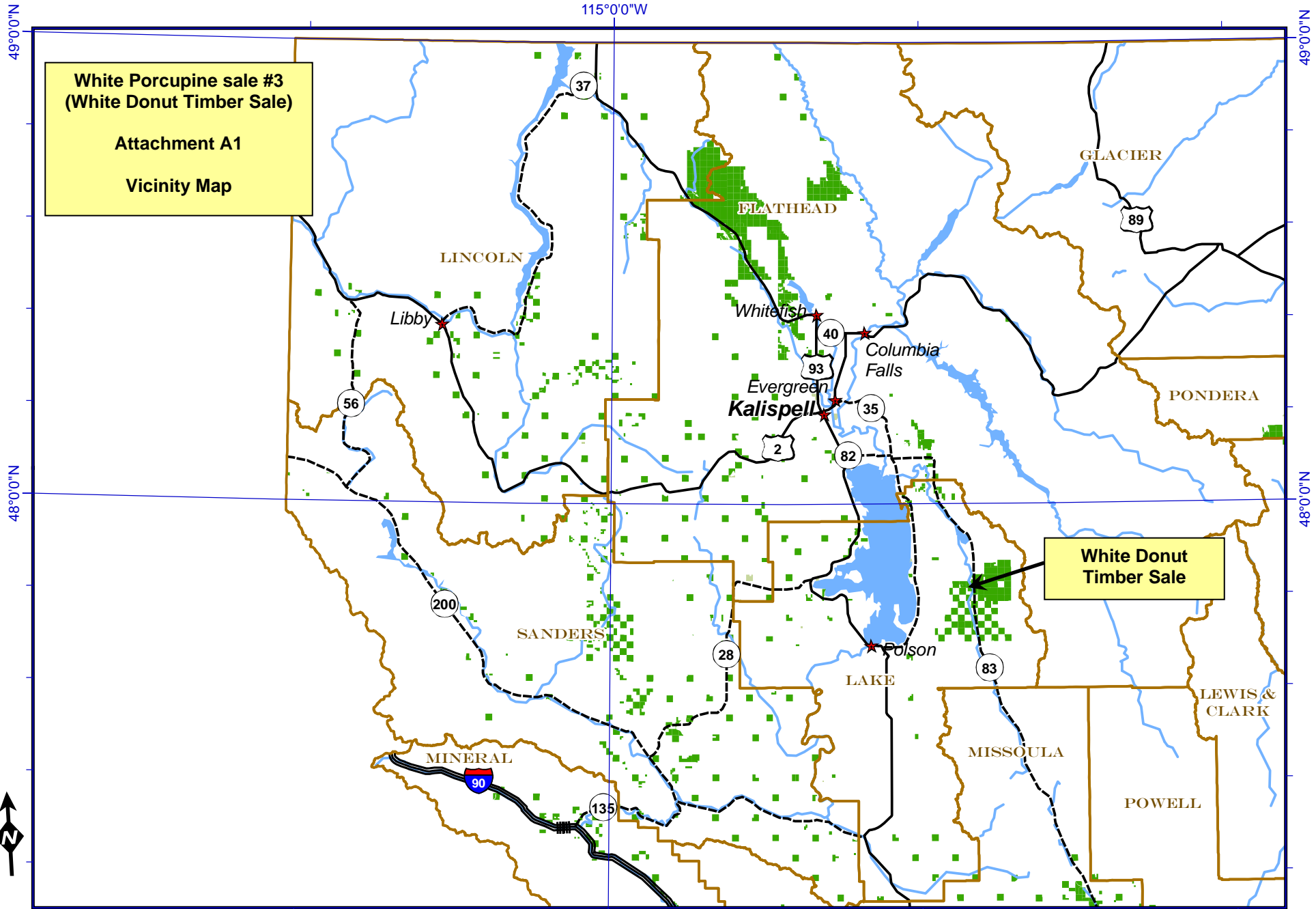
Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$39.24/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$8.14/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$7,846.96
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	N/A
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton
Bid Guarantee (total \$)	\$789.00
Performance Bond (total \$)	\$3,000.00 minimum

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated development cost total	\$1,000
Estimated development cost per ton	\$1.04/ton
Estimated development cost perMBF	\$5.00/MBF
Estimated State road maintenance cost total	\$150
Estimated State road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.16/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.0 miles
Miles of road renovation	0.2 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	0.2 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest date
23-21	13	964	200	30-Sep-2010
	13 Ac.	964 tons	200 MBF	

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Legal description by trust					Unit harvest volume			
Legal description - subdivisions	Section	Twn	Rge	Grant	Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF
SE1/4	23	24N	18W	C.S.	23-21	13	964	200
See Instructions for how to fill in this table								
Totals						13 Ac.	964 T	200 M

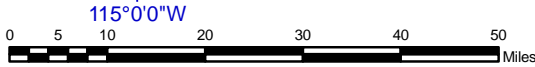


**White Porcupine sale #3
(White Donut Timber Sale)**

Attachment A1

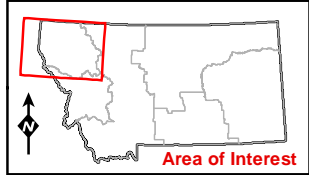
Vicinity Map

**White Donut
Timber Sale**

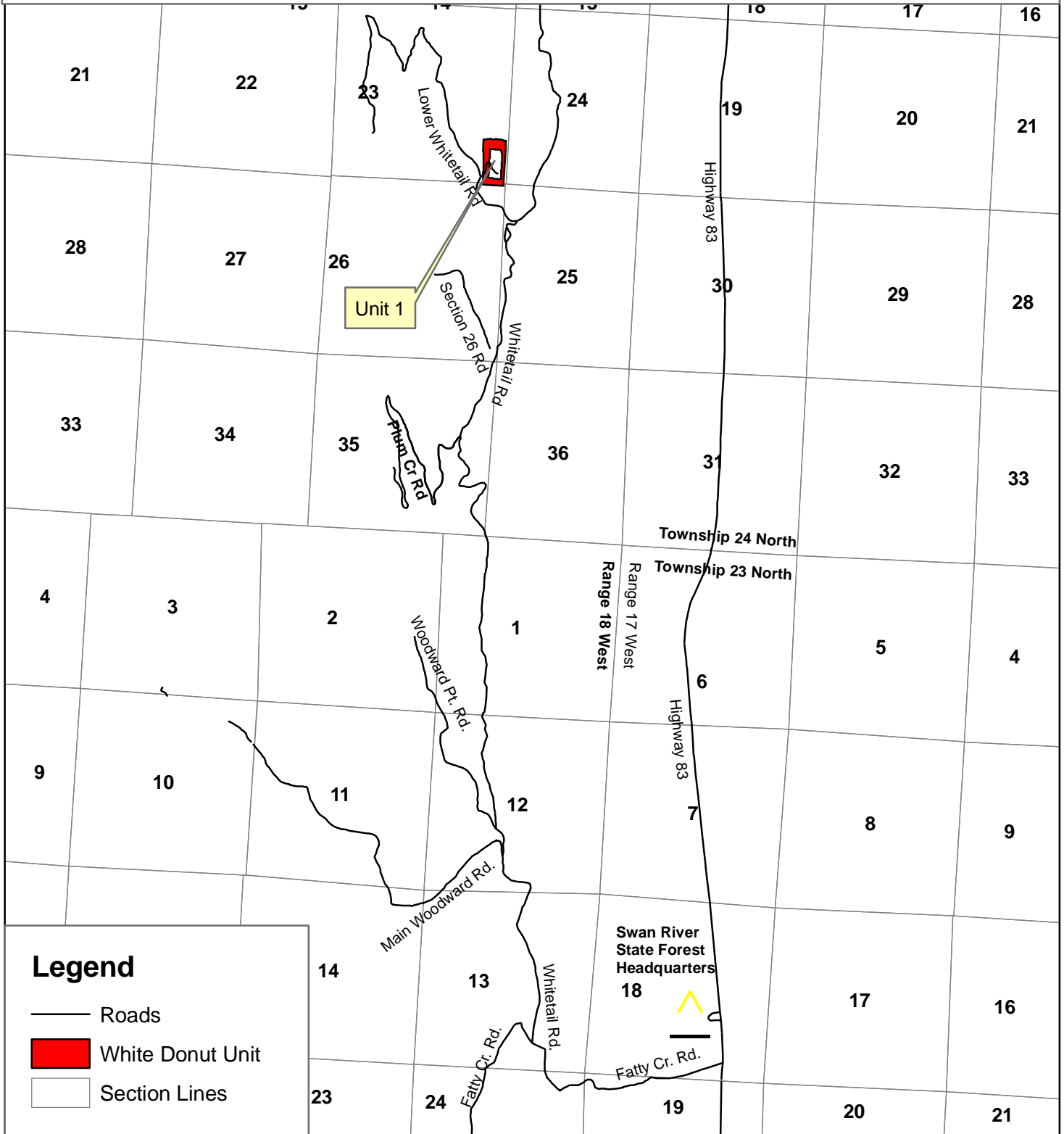
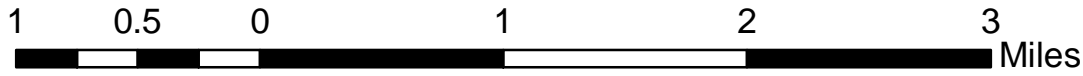


	Interstate Highway		Rivers		Lakes
	U.S. Route		City		DNRC managed for timber
	State Highway		County		DNRC other

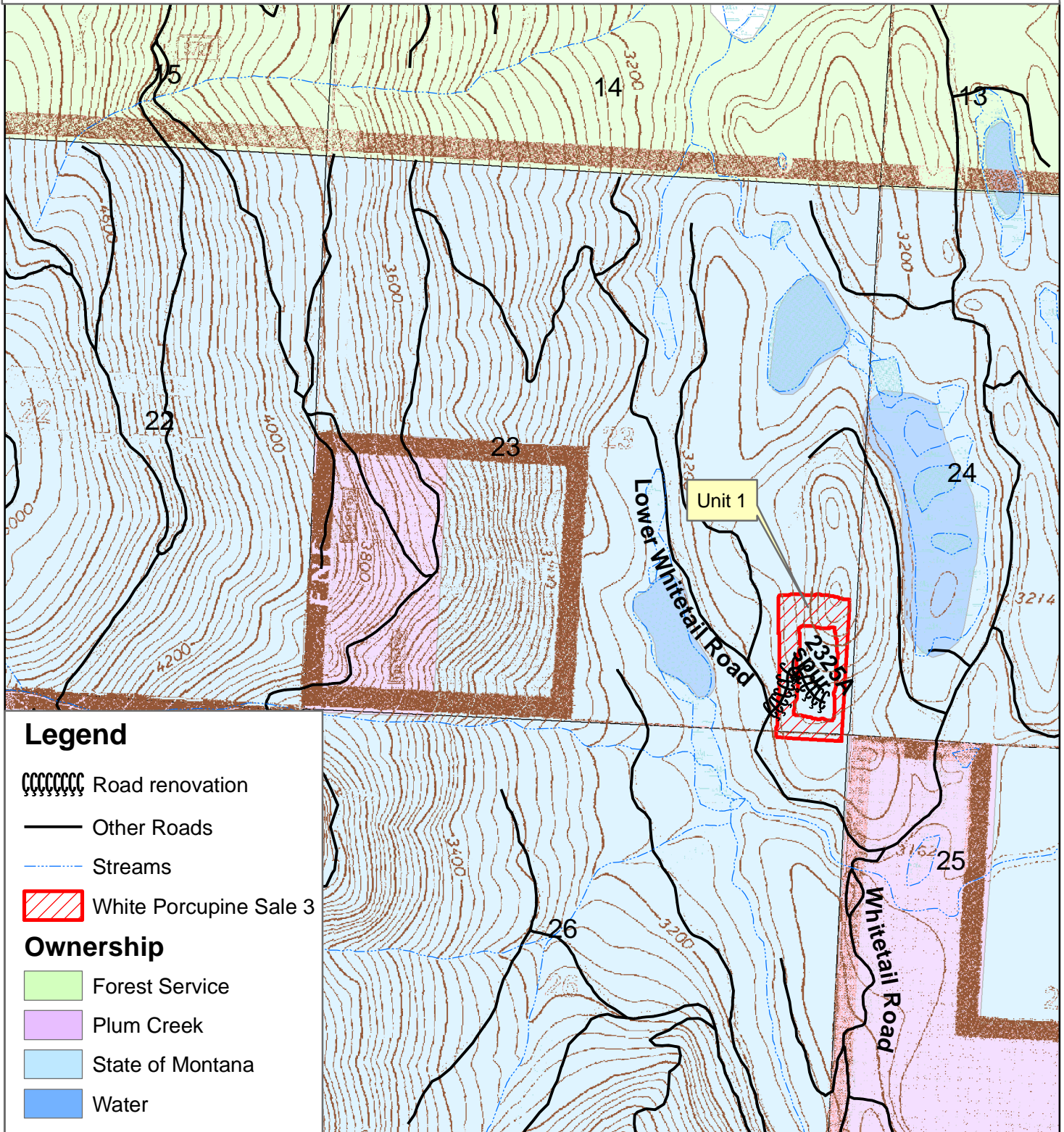
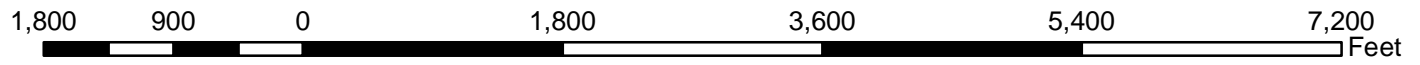
21 February 2007
Montana DNRC
Technical Services Section/dr



White Donut
Attachment A2
Section 24, T23N R18W



White Donut
Attachment A3
Section 23, T24N R18W



Legend

- Road renovation
- Other Roads
- - - - - Streams
- White Porcupine Sale 3

Ownership

- Forest Service
- Plum Creek
- State of Montana
- Water

1:40-foot contours
created by: K. Baker 5/19/09