

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Huckleberry Pass Timber Sale is located within Section 16, T15N-R10W on the State's Clearwater Unit. Approximately 25,589 tons, consisting primarily of Douglas-fir sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **October 21, 2020 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 \$19,051.00**, 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 first sale invoice 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 October 19, 2020 meeting. 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).

Visit our website at <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/trust/forest-management/timber-sale-information> for upcoming sales and bid results.

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: Huckleberry Pass Timber Sale			
Timber Sale Location: Sections 16 T15N R10W			
For specific sale information, contact: Sam Whitney			
Phone	406-362-4999	Lincoln Field Office	
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	Missoula 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 (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:

- **Grizzly Bear Closure:** All units will be closed from all operations (harvesting, road work and hauling) from April 1 – June 15.
- **Trees are not marked in Unit 1610. Purchaser will select cut trees based on the following criteria:**

Maintain a maximum spacing 100 feet between greater than 7" DBH leave trees. This will leave approximately 4 trees per acre.

Favored leave tree species in order: Western larch, ponderosa pine and Douglas-fir with a healthy crown and good form. If these species are not present no leave trees are needed.

If present, retain 2 trees/acre: Live with good wildlife characteristics Western larch, ponderosa pine, Douglas-fir greater than 21" DBH and retain 2 dead trees/acre: >21" DBH with good wildlife characteristics. Live wildlife trees count as leave trees and can be used for 100 foot spacing.
- **USFS temporary permit for hauling on Road #4106** - closed for hauling during one weekend winter dog sled race and possible other winter weekend events. Winter Hauling: leave a 5" base when snow plowing for snowmobile traffic and year-round hauling signs on both sides of Huckleberry Pass #4106 Road.
- **Remove temporary 36"x 50' CMP from Upper Temporary Road, 18"x 40' CMP from Lower Temporary Road and 18"x30' CMP from Lodgepole Road following hauling.**
- **Install one 16'x25' steel modular bridge at 2 locations and install one 16'x35' steel modular bridge. (Bridges were purchased by DNRC)**
- **The Purchaser shall be responsible for 1 (one) application of Tordon, 2- 4- D and Escort on approximately 5.07 miles of #4106 Road. (15.4 total acres) spot spraying existing knapweed, oxide daisy and houndstongue.** The application shall be completed after harvest and prior to July 15, 2023. Herbicide application shall only occur between May 15 through July 15. Road spray width shall be 25 feet. Any changes to the herbicides used must be approved by the Forest Officer.
- **Pulp and firewood can be hauled at \$0.50/ton and rails at \$2.00/ton**
- Disregard old blue and yellow marking in old helicopter units.
- **Combination number to the gate is 4999.**
- **Potential bidders should contact Sam Whitney (406) 207-1235**

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Huckleberry Pass Timber Sale												
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All Cut)												
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE	
Minimum Bid per ton											\$14.89	
Pounds per cubic foot	62.0	61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0			55.0		40.0		
Estimated tons of sawlogs	76	18360	2984	2572	392			515		691	25,589 tons	
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material											0 tons	
Gross MBF	13	3201	650	380	72			157		401	4,875 MBF	
% Cull and Breakage	0.0	14.0	16.0	6.0	10.0			48.0		57.0	18.3%	
Net MBF	13	2753	545	355	65			81		172	3,984 MBF	
Average logs per MBF	7.9	18.7	15.7	33.6	18.3			46.0		28.4	20.6 logs/MBF	
Average DBH	22.0	14.7	13.3	9.2	12.8			11.7		17.5	13.4 in.	
Average tons to cut per acre	→										65 tons/ac	
Average MBF to cut per acre	→										10.2 MBF/ac	
Total Average TPA Cut	→										102	
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	3,513 and 4,456 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises										11.8%	
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	25,589 estimated tons / 3,984 Net MBF										6.42 tons/MBF	

Contract Information	
Contract Termination Date:	11/15/2023
Operating Period:	June 16 - March 31 (See contract)

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	60%
% of volume logged with tractors	66%
% of volume logged by skyline	34%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	500 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	700 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	34.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	13.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$24.25/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$3.78/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$96,726.42
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$16,121.07
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$10,545
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.41/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton

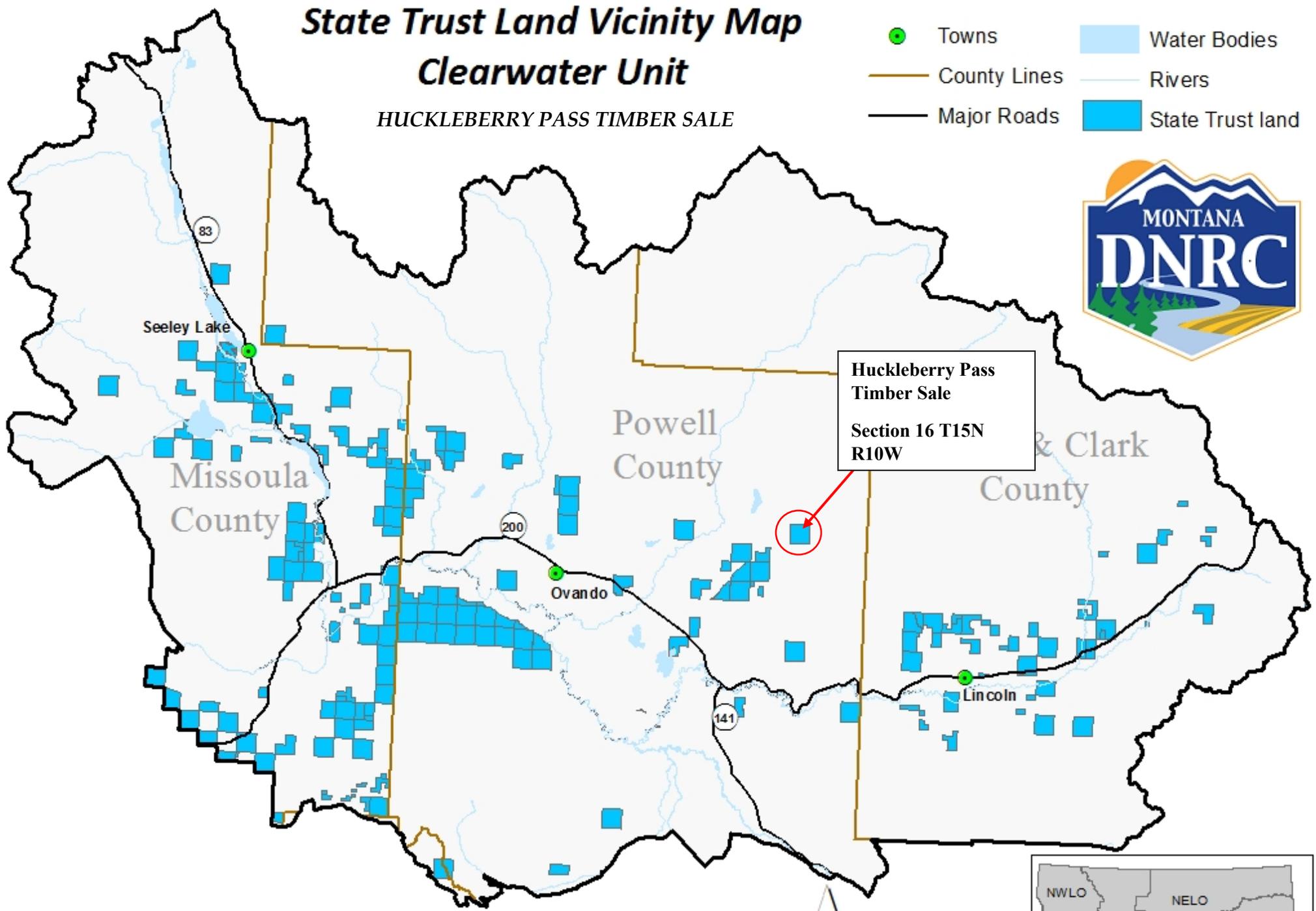
Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$120,388
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$4.70/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$30.21/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$6,116
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.24/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	3.3 miles
Miles of temporary road construction	2.4 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	8.8 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
1601	4.70	630	95	October 31, 2023
1602	46.20	2910	450	October 31, 2023
1603	20.00	1843	284	October 31, 2023
1604	5.70	410	61	October 31, 2023
1605	47.10	1548	238	October 31, 2023
1606	57.90	4623	717	October 31, 2023
1607	6.50	590	89	October 31, 2023
1608	31.80	2710	428	October 31, 2023
1609	54.00	3590	567	October 31, 2023
1610	117.00	6735	1056	October 31, 2023
TOTAL	391.0	25589.0	3,985	

State Trust Land Vicinity Map Clearwater Unit

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- Towns
- County Lines
- Major Roads
- Water Bodies
- Rivers
- State Trust land



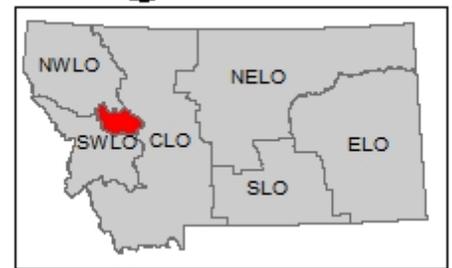
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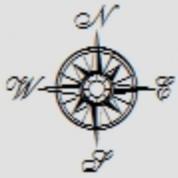


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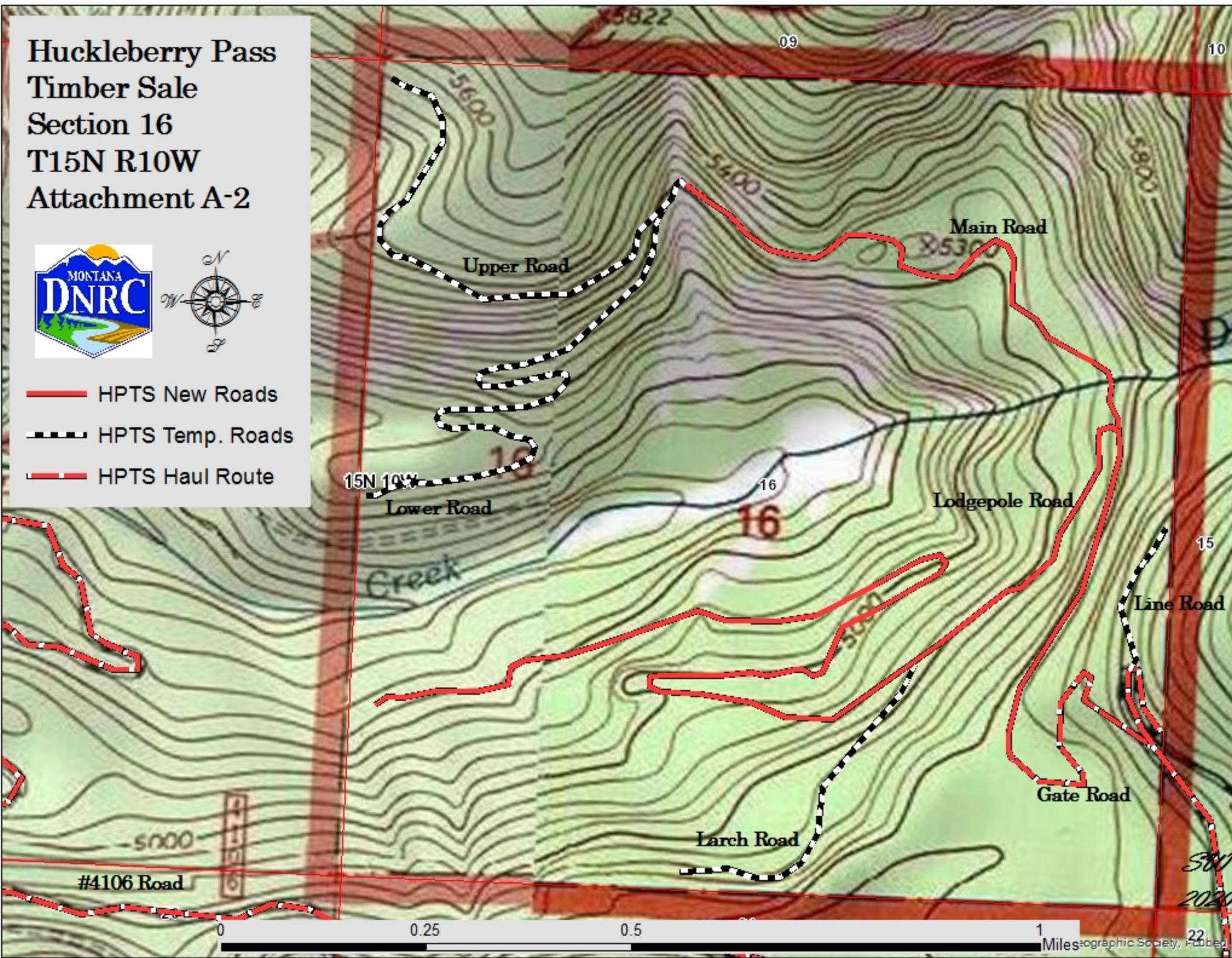
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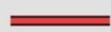
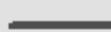
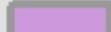
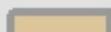
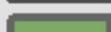
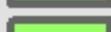
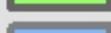
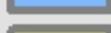
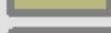
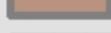


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-  HPTS Temp. Roads
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