

AGENDA
REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF LAND COMMISSIONERS
Tuesday, February 21, 2017 at 9:00 a.m.
Supreme Court Chambers, Joseph P. Mazurek Bldg.
215 North Sanders, 4th floor
Helena, MT

ACTION ITEMS

0217-1 Timber Sales

A. Clark Cant Hook

Benefits: Common Schools

Location: Missoula County

B. Devil Mountain 2

Benefits: Common Schools

Location: Powell County

0217-2 Land Banking Parcels: Preliminary Approval for Sale – Sale 895

Benefits: Common Schools

Location: Judith Basin County

0217-3 Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Set Minimum Bid for Sale – Sale 816

Benefits: Montana State University

Location: Missoula County

0217-4 Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale

A. Sale 831

Benefits: Common Schools

Location: Sanders County

B. Sale 832

Benefits: Common Schools

Location: Lincoln County

C. Sales 828, 829 & 830

Benefits: Montana Tech, Common Schools

Location: Flathead County

D. Sales 834-839, 842-846, 890 & 894

Benefits: Montana State University, Common Schools

Location: Missoula County

0217-5 Easements

Benefits: Common Schools, MSU Morrill, MSU 2nd, Public Land Trust, University of Montana (UM)

Location: Blaine, Broadwater, Cascade, Flathead, Golden Valley, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, Madison, Meagher, Powell Counties

PUBLIC COMMENT

0217-1

TIMBER SALES

- A. Clark Cant Hook
- B. Devil Mountain 2

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<u>0217-1A</u>	<u>Timber Sale: Clark Cant Hook</u>
	Location: Missoula County Section 16, T12N, R22W
	Trust Beneficiaries: Common Schools
	Trust Revenue: \$27,423

Item Summary

Location: The Clark Cant Hook Timber Sale is located approximately 14 miles west of Lolo, Montana.

Size and Scope: The sale includes 2 harvest units (361 acres) of tractor and skyline logging.

Volume: The estimated harvest volume is 13,248 tons (1.5 MMBF) of sawlogs.

Estimated Return: The minimum bid is \$2.07 per ton, which would generate approximately \$27,423 for the Common Schools Trust and approximately \$38,949 in Forest Improvement fees.

Prescription: This sale has a harvest prescription of salvage and sanitation treatments designed to reduce insect and disease issues, as well as remove trees with poor growth characteristics.

Road Construction/Maintenance: Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is proposing 2.1 miles of new road construction, 6.1 miles of road maintenance, and 0.51 miles of reconstruction.

Access: Temporary access was obtained through the United States Forest Service.

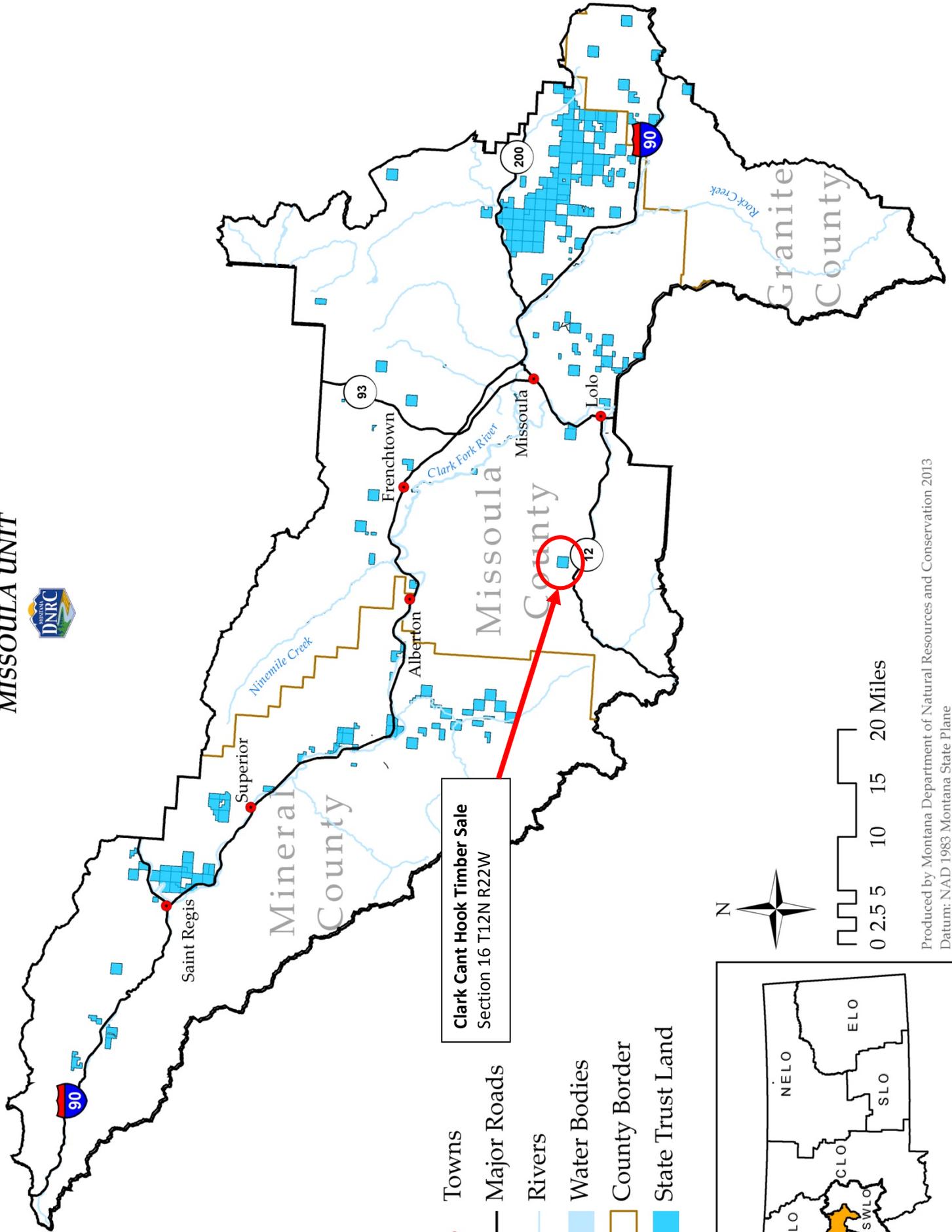
Public Comments: Four comments were received. The Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes commented that they were unaware of any existing cultural sites in the project area. Adjacent landowners were concerned about wildlife and past harvest on parcels surrounding DNRC ownership. One landowner supported the project. Internal and external issues and concerns were incorporated into project planning and design.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends the Land Board direct DNRC to sell the Clark Cant Hook Timber Sale.

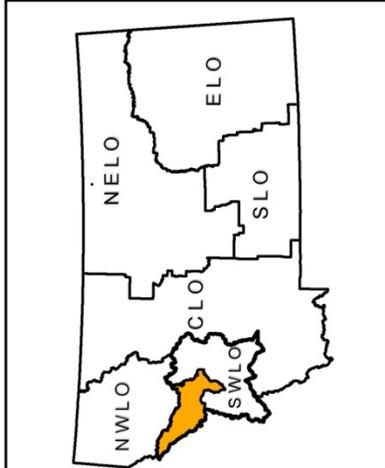
Clark Cant Hook Timber Sale Vicinity Map

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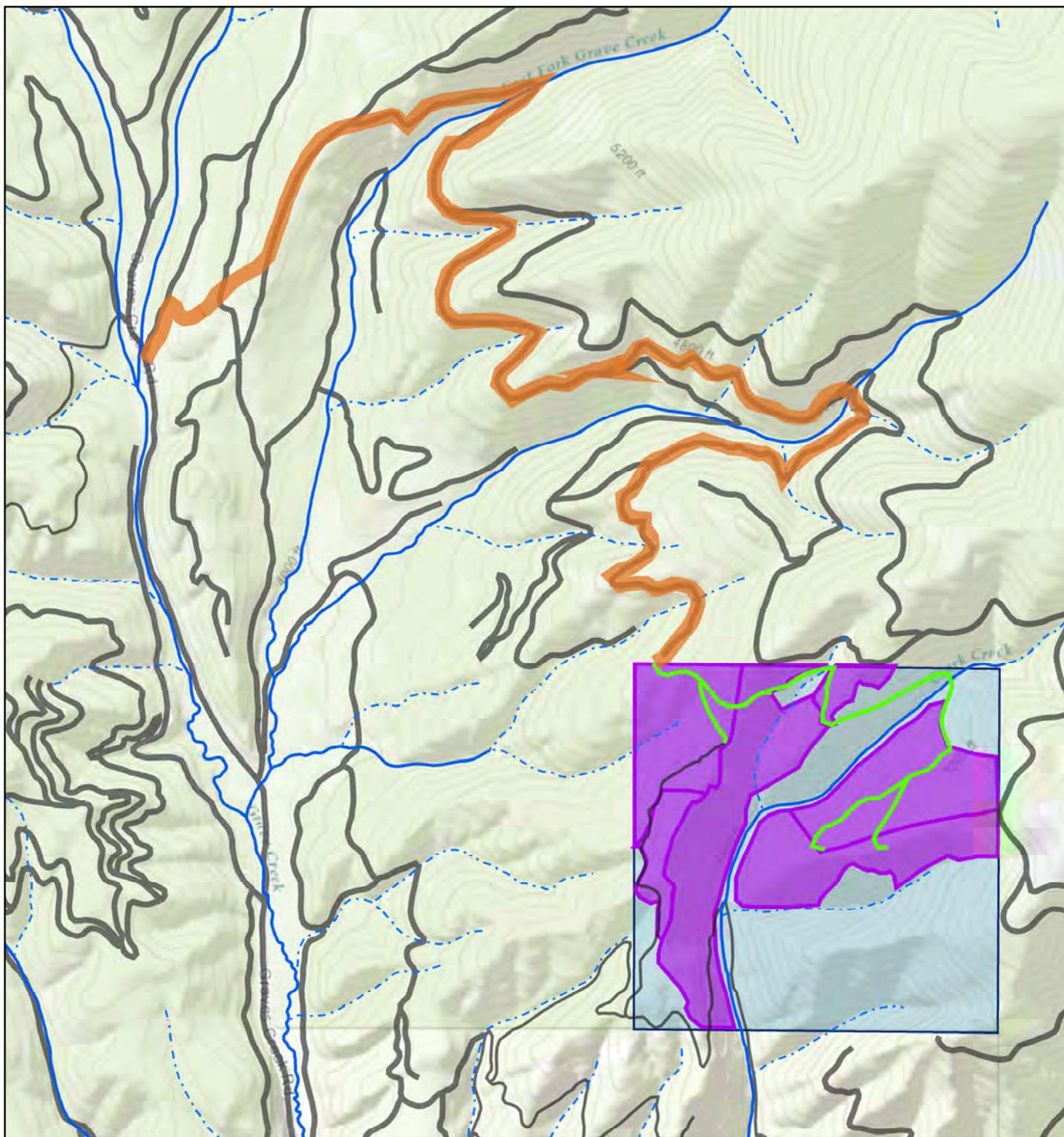
Clark Cant Hook Timber Sale
Section 16 T12N R22W

- Towns
- Major Roads
- Rivers
- Water Bodies
- County Border
- State Trust Land

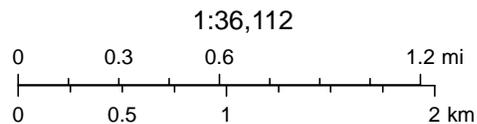


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Clark Cant Hook Timber Sale Map



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|  Existing Road |  Perennial Stream |
|  New Road |  Intermittent Stream |
|  Temporary Road |  Proposed Harvest Units |
|  Haul Route |  DNRC Surface Tracts |



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0217-1B**Timber Sale: Devil Mountain 2**

**Location: Powell County
Section 36, T12N, R11W**

Trust Beneficiaries: Common Schools

Trust Revenue: \$48,514 (estimated, minimum bid)

Item Summary

Location: The Devil Mountain 2 Timber Sale is located approximately 7 miles south of Helmville, MT.

Size and Scope: The sale includes 7 harvest units (241 acres) of tractor and skyline logging.

Volume: The estimated harvest volume is 8,703 tons (3.7 MMBF) of sawlogs.

Estimated Return: The minimum bid is \$5.57 per ton, which would generate approximately \$48,514 for the Common Schools Trust and approximately \$25,413 in Forest Improvement fees.

Prescription: The sale has a harvest prescription of shelterwood, clearcut, and seed tree treatments that would reduce stocking levels and improve growth.

Road Construction/Maintenance: DNRC is proposing 3 miles of new road construction and 8 miles of road maintenance.

Access: Access to the sale is via county, private, and BLM controlled roads.

Public Comments: One external comment was received from an adjacent landowner asking for more information regarding the proposal. Internal and external issues and concerns were incorporated into project planning and design.

DNRC Recommendation

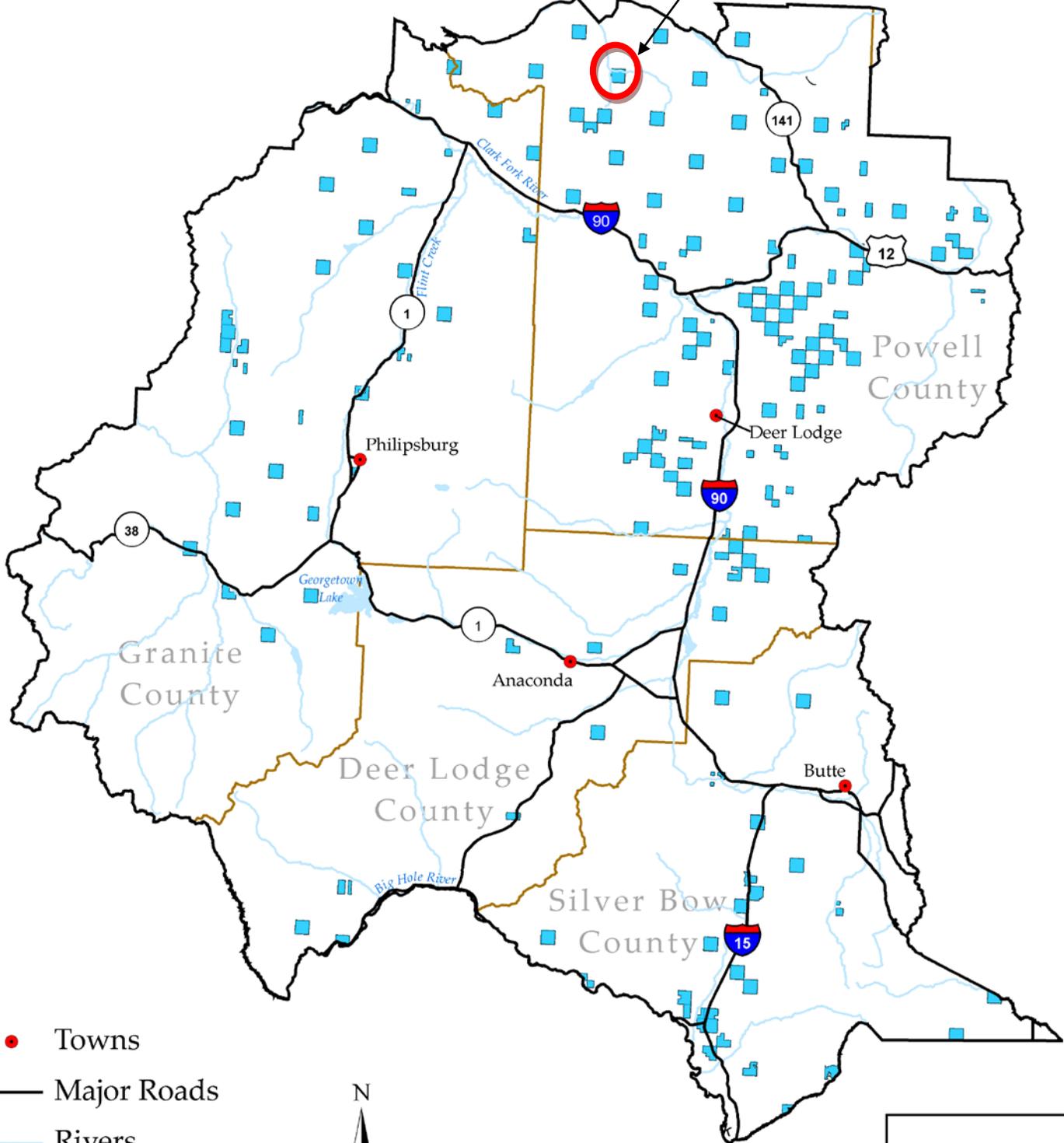
The director recommends the Land Board direct DNRC to sell the Devil Mountain 2 Timber Sale.

DEVIL MOUNTAIN 2 VICINITY MAP ANACONDA UNIT

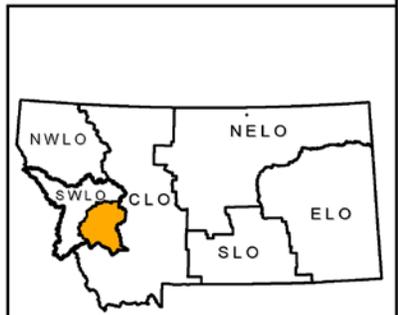
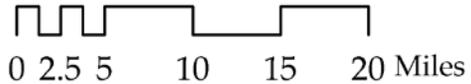
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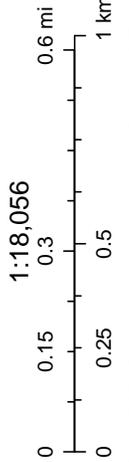
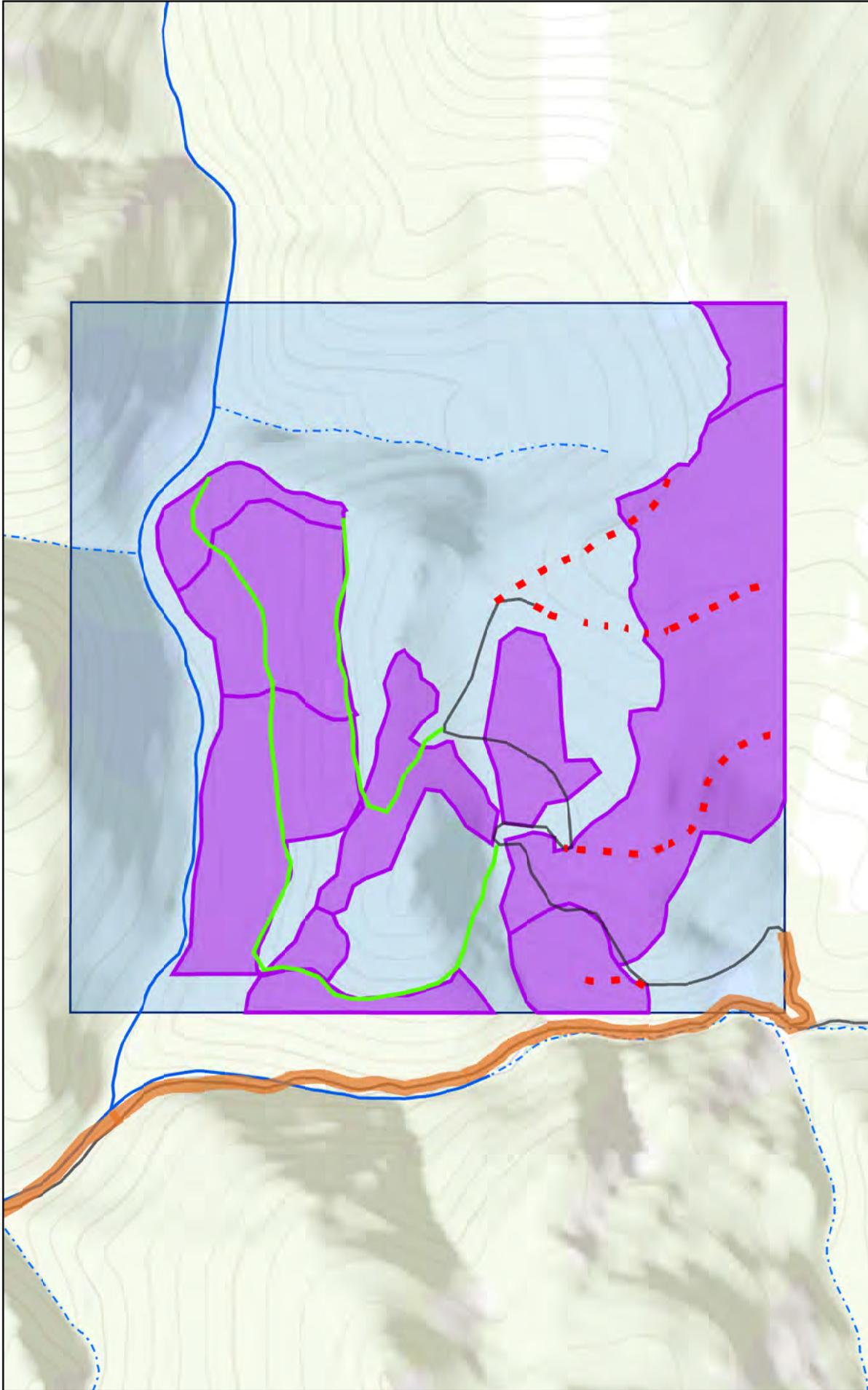
Section 36, T12N, R11W



- Towns
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Devil Mountain 2 Sale Map

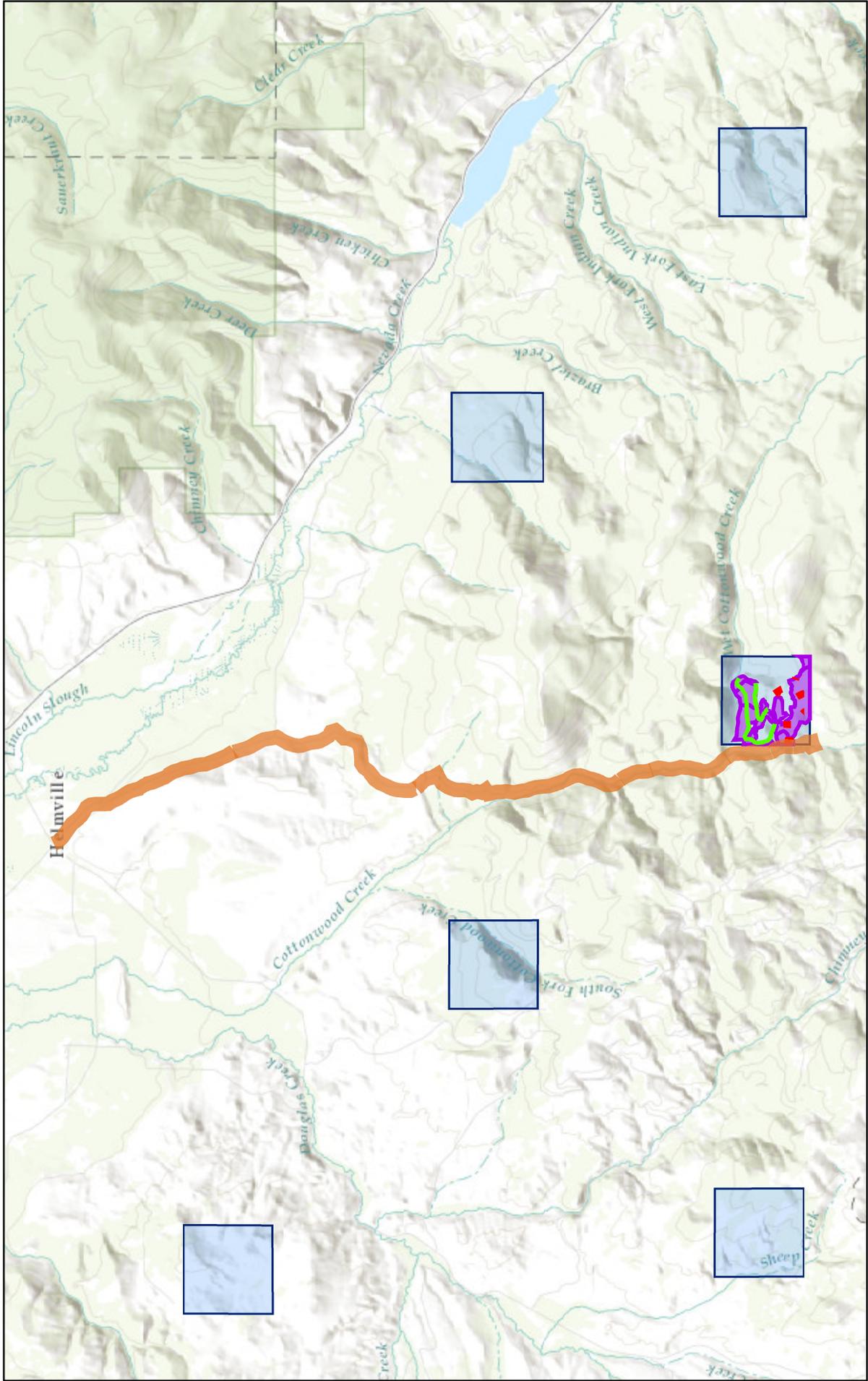


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-  Existing Road
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-  Temporary Road
-  Haul Route
-  Perennial Stream
-  Intermittent Stream
-  Proposed Harvest Units
-  DNRC Surface Tracts

Devil Mountain 2 Haul Route Map



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0217-2

LAND BANKING PARCELS:

Preliminary Approval for Sale – Sale 895

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0217-2 Land Banking Parcel: Preliminary Approval for Sale – Sale 895

Location: Judith Basin County

Trust Benefits: Common Schools

Trust Revenue: Appraisal to be completed after preliminary approval

Item Summary

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is requesting preliminary approval to sell one parcel totaling approximately 160 acres nominated for sale in Judith Basin County. This sale was nominated by the lessee and is located approximately six miles south of Stanford.

Sale #	# of Acres	Legal	Nominator	Trust
895	160±	SW¼, T16N-R12E Sec. 28	Richard Caquelin	Common Schools

The sale parcel includes approximately 30 acres of agricultural land, 121 acres of grazing land and a nine acre home site. The parcel produces average productivity for agricultural, grazing and home site lands statewide.

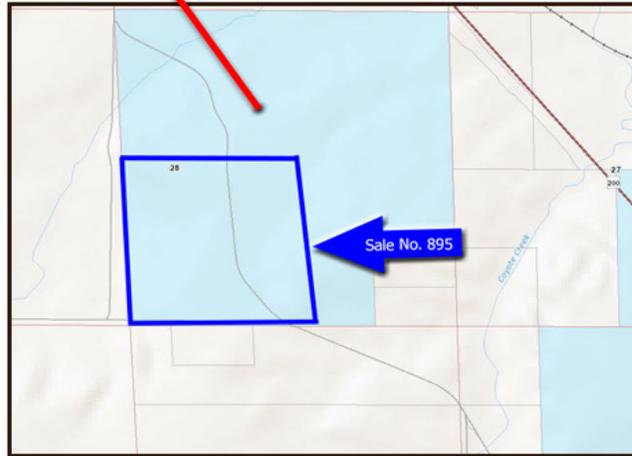
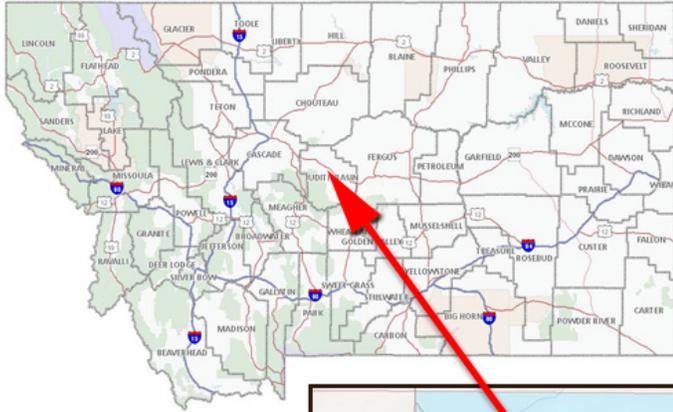
The parcel is legally accessible by the public; however, overall recreational value is low because of the proximity of the home site.

No potentially negative issues were identified through the MEPA process regarding the sale of these parcels.

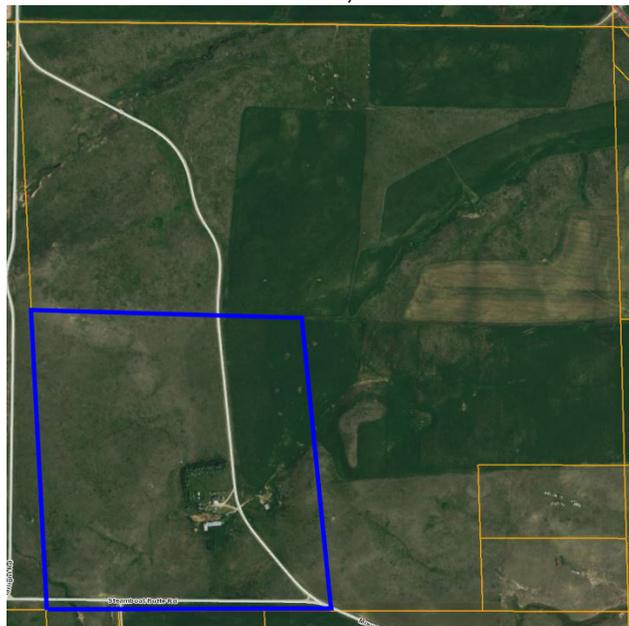
DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends that the Land Board gives preliminary approval to sell this parcel.

Judith Basin County Sale Location Map



Sale No. 895
T16N-R12E, Sec. 28



0217-3

SALE OF CABIN AND HOMESITES:

Set Minimum Bid for Sale – Sale 816

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0217-3 Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Set Minimum Bid for Sale – Sale 816

Location: Missoula County

Trust Benefits: Montana State University

Trust Revenue: \$ 160,000

Item Summary

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is requesting to set the minimum bid on one cabin site nominated for sale in Seeley Lake Outlet West in Missoula County. This sale was nominated by the lessees in conjunction with the Cabin and Home Site Sale Program. The sale is located west of Seeley Lake, Montana.

Sale #	# of Acres	Legal	Nominator	Trust
816	1.001	Lot 1, Seeley Lake Outlet West, Section 4, T16N-R15W	Corey & Kristi Markovich	MSU

The parcel is currently leased as a cabin site and produces an average income for residential leases statewide.

The parcel will be sold with the access that is currently provided under the lease agreement and can be conveyed by DNRC.

Economic Analysis:

Short term – The average rate of return on sale parcel 816 is 3.12%. The parcel will continue to receive these returns if it remains in state ownership.

Long term – The funds from the sale of this parcel would be combined with other sale funds to purchase replacement lands through the department’s Land Banking program. Lands purchased are required to have an equal or greater rate of return than the combined lands that generated the sale funds used for the purchase. To date, the average annual rate of return on acquisitions has been 2.72% on acquisitions with income generated from annual lease payments.

Cultural/Paleontological Resources:

A Class I level of cultural resource inventory was conducted for the proposed sale. Home sites typically contain numerous structures and the ground surfaces within most home sites have been variously disturbed over the course of many years of occupation and development. This sale will have no effect to state owned heritage properties.

Appraised Values of Land and Improvements:

Sale #	Appraised Value of Land	Appraised Value of Improvements
816	\$160,000	\$180,000

At the request of the lessees and in accordance with 77-2-317(1)(c), an informal administrative hearing was held in August 2016 for sale parcel 816 to contest the valuations of the land and improvements under consideration for sale. The Hearing Examiner concluded that the appraisal valuations for both the land and improvements was a reasonable and unbiased estimate of current fair market value and recommended that the Land Board set the minimum bid at the appraised values stated above.

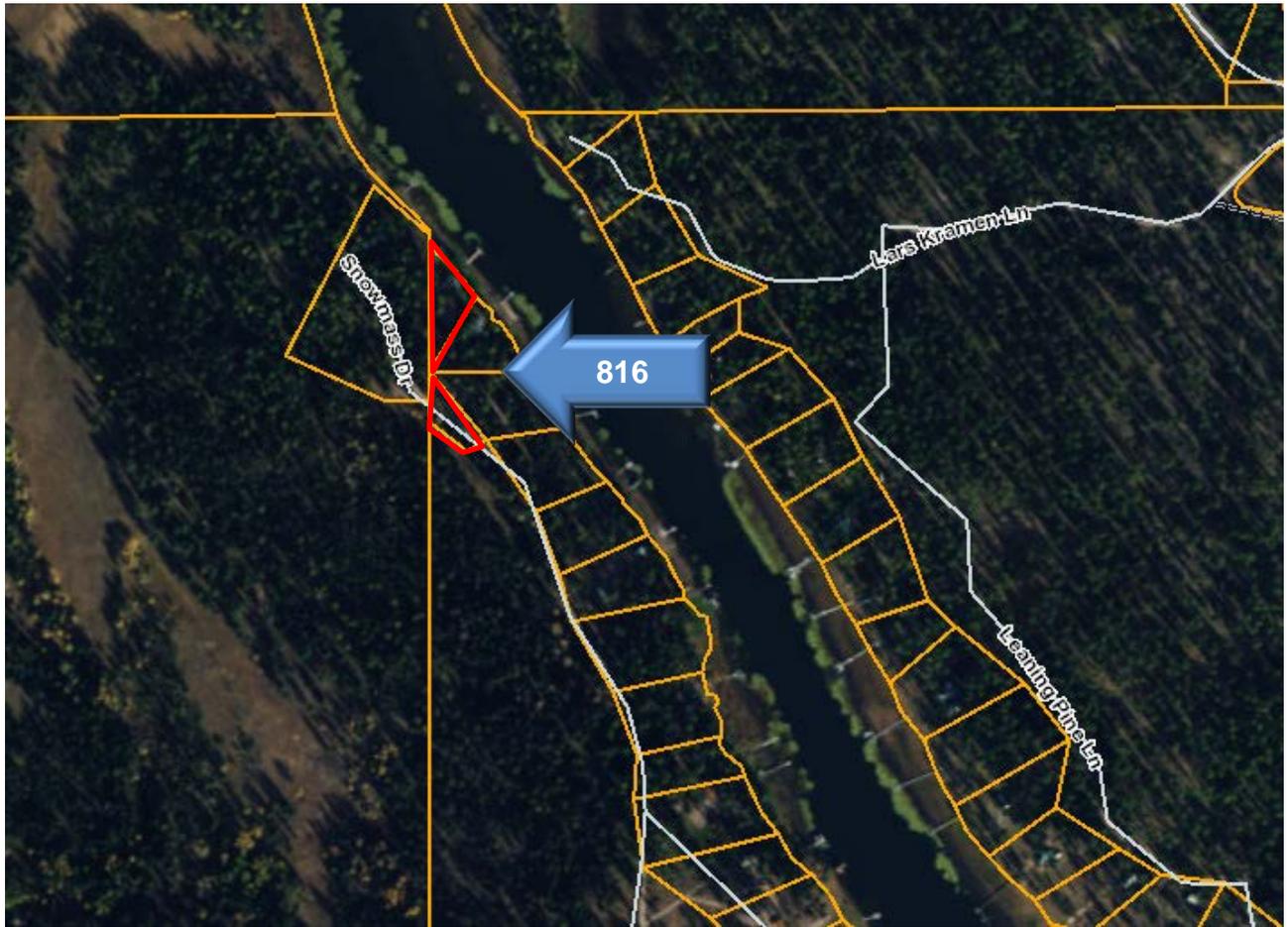
DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends that the Land Board set the minimum bid for the cabin site lot at the appraised value and the maximum value of compensation for the improvements shown above.

Missoula County Sale Location Map



Seeley Lake Outlet West, Sale # 816
Lot 1, Seeley Lake Outlet West, Section 4, T16N-R15W



0217-4

SALE OF CABIN AND HOMESITES:

Final Approval for Sale

- A. Sale 831 – Sanders County
- B. Sale 832 – Lincoln County
- C. Sales 828, 829 & 830 – Flathead County
- D. Sales 834-839, 842-846, 890 & 894 – Missoula County

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0217-4A Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale – Sale 831

Location: Sanders County

Trust Benefits: Common Schools

Trust Revenue: \$18,000

Item Summary

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is requesting final approval on one cabin site nominated for sale in Sanders County. This sale was nominated by the lessee in conjunction with the Cabin and Home Site Sale Program.

Sale #	# of Acres	Legal	Nominator	Trust
831	0.7	Lot in NW ¹ / ₄ NW ¹ / ₄ , T23N-R27W, Sec. 36	John Weber	Common Schools

The parcel is currently leased as a cabin site and produces an average income for residential leases statewide.

The parcel will be sold with the access that is currently provided under the lease agreement and can be conveyed by DNRC.

Economic Analysis:

Short term – The average rate of return on sale parcel 831 is 1.42%. The parcel will continue to receive this return if it remains in state ownership.

Long term – The funds from the sale of this parcel would be combined with other sale funds to purchase replacement lands through the department’s Land Banking program. Lands purchased are required to have an equal or greater rate of return than the combined lands that generated the sale funds used for the purchase. To date, the average annual rate of return on acquisitions has been 2.72% on acquisitions with income generated from annual lease payments.

Cultural/Paleontological Resources:

A Class I level of cultural resource inventory was conducted for the proposed sale. Home sites typically contain numerous structures and the ground surfaces within most home sites have been variously disturbed over the course of many years of occupation and development. This sale will have no effect to state owned heritage properties.

Background:

In May 2016, the board granted preliminary approval for this parcel to continue through the cabin site sale evaluation process. In October 2016, the board set the minimum bid for the land and the maximum value of compensation for the improvements at the appraised values below:

Appraised Values of Land and Improvements:

Sale #	Appraised Value of Land	Appraised Value of Improvements
831	\$18,000	\$22,000

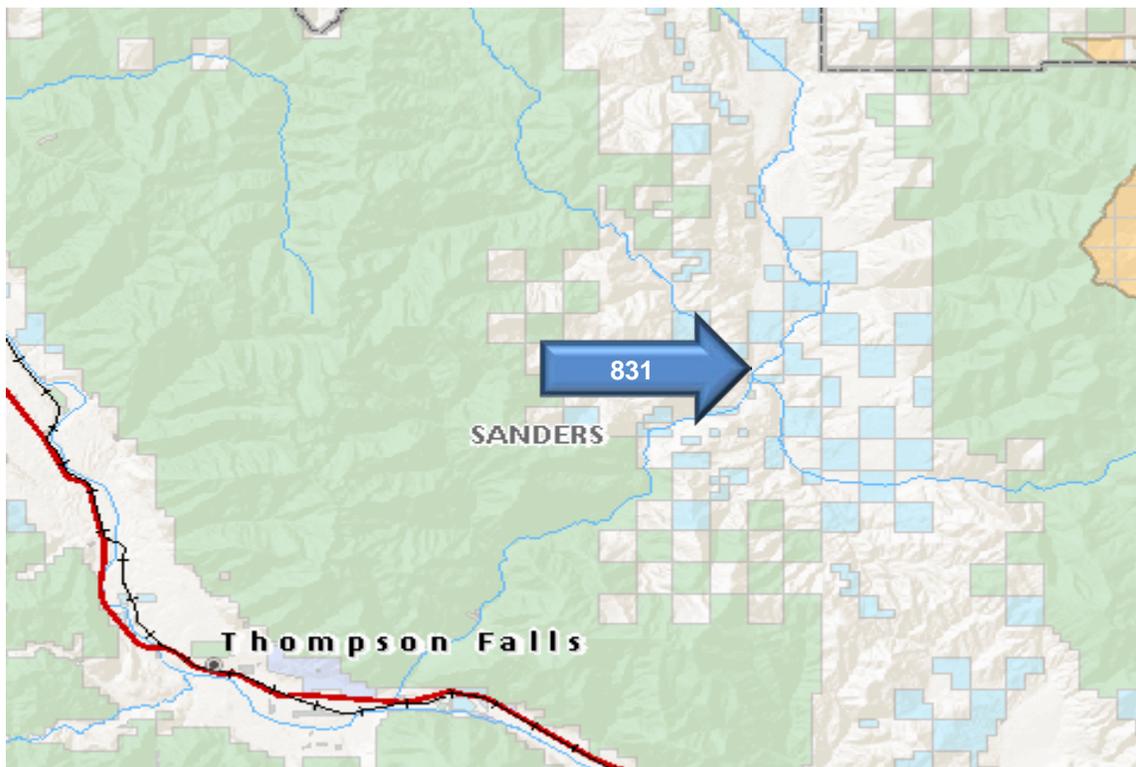
Sale Price:

The cabin site was sold at a public auction on January 24, 2017. There was one bidder, who was the lessee. The parcel was sold for the minimum bid amount listed above.

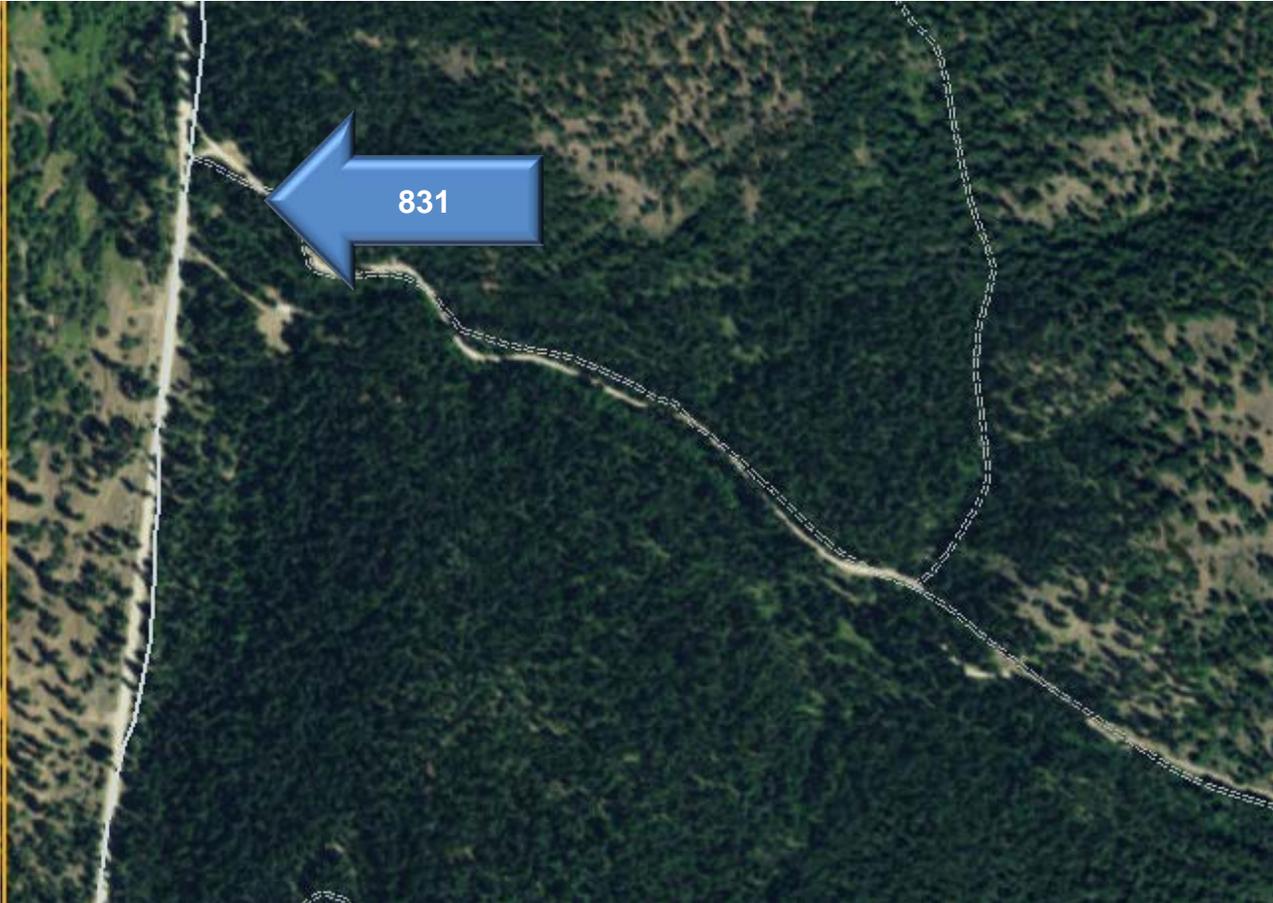
DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends final approval for the cabin site lot at the value shown above. The sale will be closed within 30 days of final approval by the board.

Sanders County Sale Location Map



Sale # 831
Lot in NW¼NW¼, Section 36, T23N-R27W



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0217-4B Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale – Sale 832

Location: Lincoln County

Trust Benefits: Common Schools

Trust Revenue: \$12,000

Item Summary

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is requesting final approval on one cabin site nominated for sale in Lincoln County. This sale was nominated by the lessee in conjunction with the Cabin and Home Site Sale Program.

Sale #	# of Acres	Legal	Nominator	Trust
832	1.00	Lot in NW ¹ / ₄ NW ¹ / ₄ NW ¹ / ₄ NE ¹ / ₄ , T34N-R25W, Sec. 36	Patti Sue Stachofsky	Common Schools

The parcel is currently leased as a cabin site and produces an average income for residential leases statewide.

The parcel will be sold with the access that is currently provided under the lease agreement and can be conveyed by DNRC.

Economic Analysis:

Short term – The average rate of return on sale parcel 832 is 3.25%. The parcel will continue to receive this return if it remains in state ownership.

Long term – The funds from the sale of this parcel would be combined with other sale funds to purchase replacement lands through the department’s Land Banking program. Lands purchased are required to have an equal or greater rate of return than the combined lands that generated the sale funds used for the purchase. To date, the average annual rate of return on acquisitions has been 2.72% on acquisitions with income generated from annual lease payments.

Cultural/Paleontological Resources:

A Class I level of cultural resource inventory was conducted for the proposed sale. Home sites typically contain numerous structures and the ground surfaces within most home sites have been variously disturbed over the course of many years of occupation and development. This sale will have no effect to state owned heritage properties.

Background:

In May 2016, the board granted preliminary approval for this parcel to continue through the cabin site sale evaluation process. In October 2016, the board set the minimum bid for the land and the maximum value of compensation for the improvements at the appraised values below:

Appraised Values of Land and Improvements:

Sale #	Appraised Value of Land	Appraised Value of Improvements
832	\$12,000	\$75,000

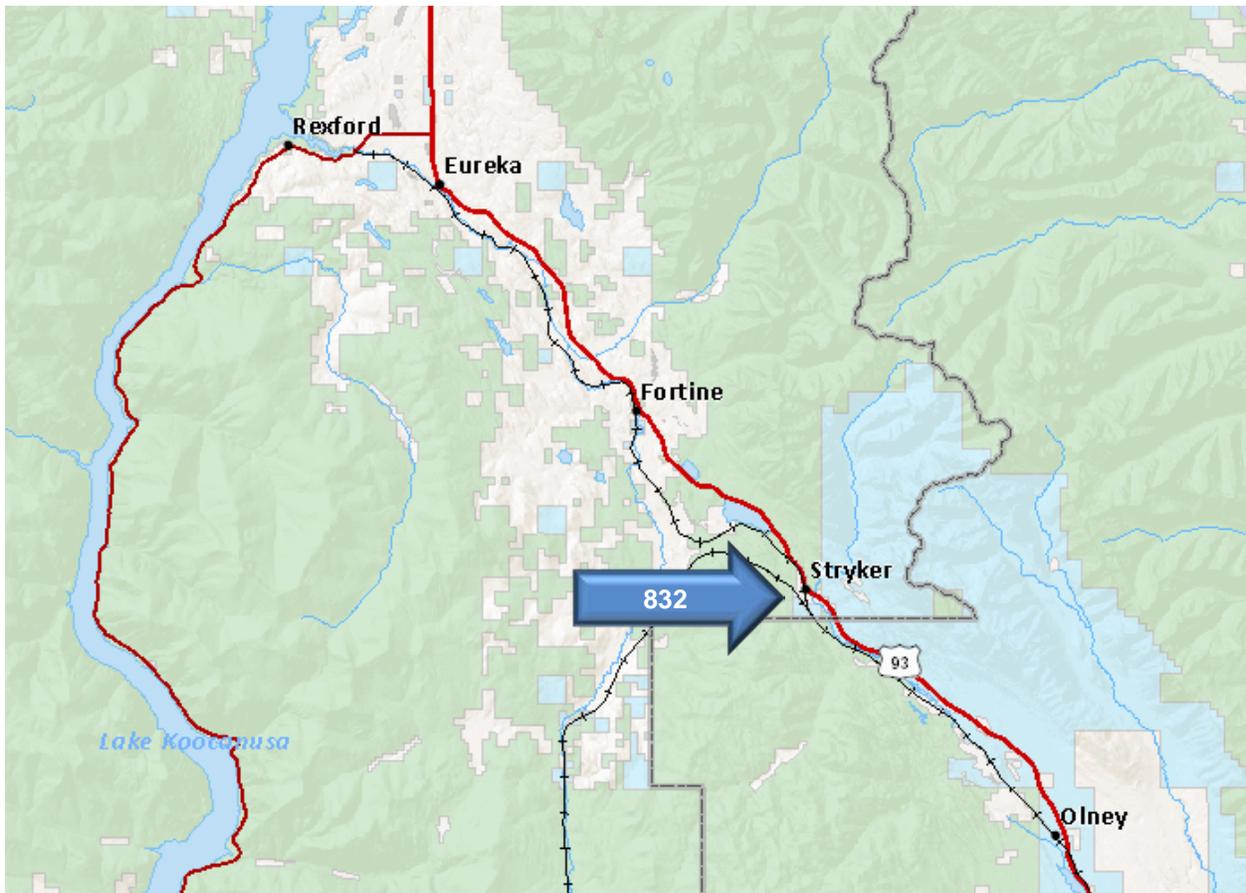
Sale Price:

The cabin site was sold at a public auction on January 25, 2017. There was one bidder, who was the lessee. The parcel was sold for the minimum bid amount listed above.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends final approval for the cabin site lot at the value shown above. The sale will be closed within 30 days of final approval by the board.

Lincoln County Sale Location Map



Sale # 832

Lot in NW¼NW¼NW¼NE¼ , Section 36, T34N-R25W



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0217-4C Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale - Sales 828, 829 & 830

Location: Flathead County

Trust Benefits: Montana Tech, Common Schools

Trust Revenue: \$680,000

Item Summary

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is requesting final approval on three cabin sites nominated for sale in Flathead County. The sales were nominated by the lessees in conjunction with the Cabin and Home Site Sale Program.

Sale #	# of Acres	Legal	Nominator	Trust
828	0.879	Lot 24, Echo Lake, T27N-R19W Sec. 5	Susan Hutz	Montana Tech
829	1.54	Lot 34, Echo Lake, T27N-R19W Sec. 5	Verda Gibb, et al.	Montana Tech
830	2.68	Lot 28, McGregor Lake, T26N-R25W Sec. 16	Michael & Pamela Mower	Common Schools

Sale parcels are currently leased as cabin or home sites and produce an average income for residential leases statewide.

Each parcel will be sold with the access that is currently provided to the current lessee under their lease agreement.

Economic Analysis:

Short term – The average rate of return on sale parcel 828 is 3.54%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 829 is 3.54%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 830 is 3.65%. These parcels would continue to receive these returns if they remain in state ownership.

Long term – The funds from the sale of these parcels would be combined with other sale funds to purchase replacement lands through the department’s Land Banking program. Lands purchased are required to have an equal or greater rate of return than the combined lands that generated the sale funds used for the purchase. To date, the average annual rate of return on acquisitions has been 2.72% on acquisitions with income generated from annual lease payments.

Cultural/Paleontological Resources:

A Class I level of cultural resource inventory was conducted for the proposed sales. Home sites typically contain numerous structures and the ground surfaces within most home sites have been variously disturbed over the course of many years of occupation and development. These sales will have no effect to state owned heritage properties.

Background:

In May 2016, the board granted preliminary approval for these parcels to continue through the cabin site sale evaluation process. In October 2016, the board set the minimum bid for the land and the maximum value of compensation for the improvements at the appraised values below:

Appraised Values of Land and Improvements:

Sale #	Appraised Value of Land	Appraised Value of Improvements
828	\$160,000	\$240,000
829	\$300,000	\$80,000
830	\$220,000	\$180,000

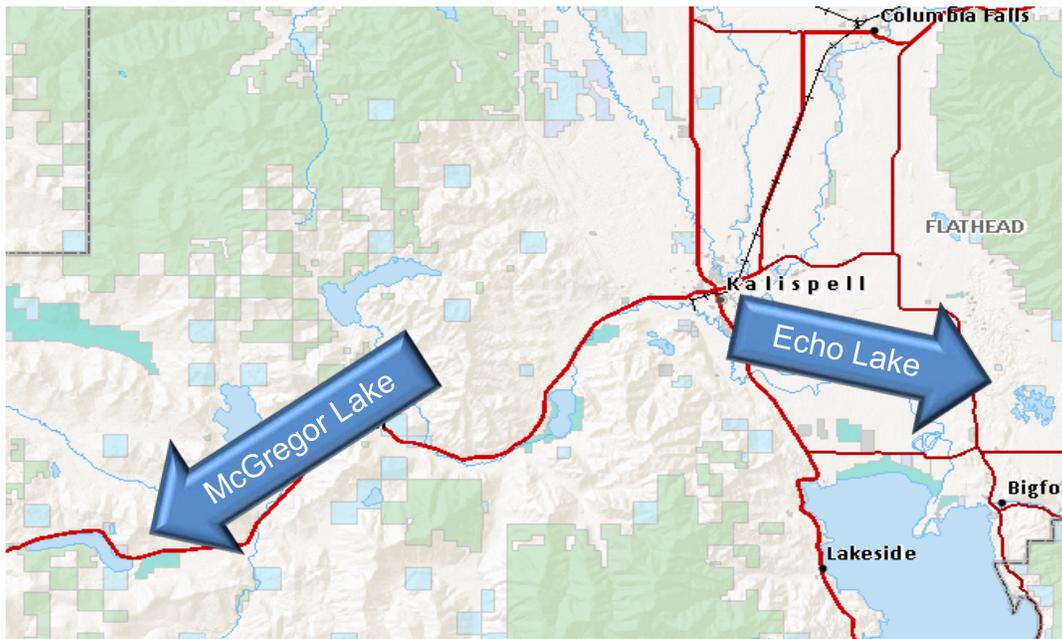
Sale Price:

The cabin sites were sold at a public auction on January 25, 2017. There was one bidder per parcel, who was the lessees. The parcels were sold for the minimum bid amounts listed above.

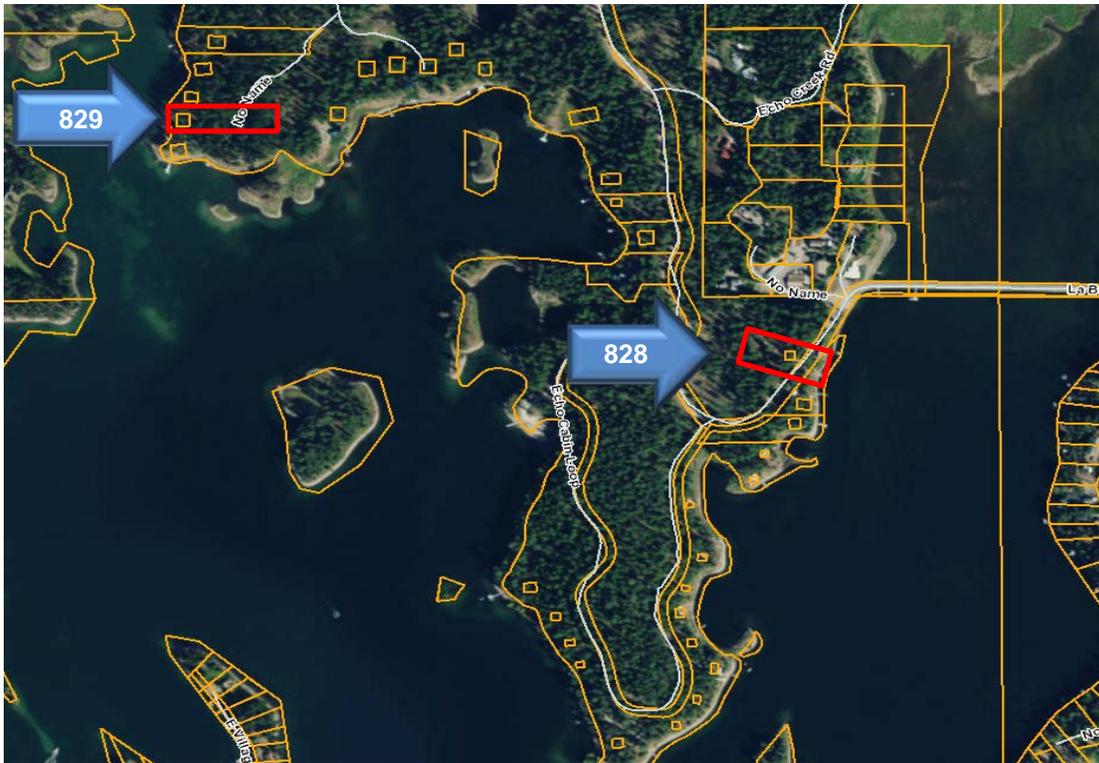
DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends final approval for the cabin site lots at the value shown above. The sales will be closed within 30 days of final approval by the board.

Flathead County Sales Location Map



Echo Lake Sales # 828 & 829



McGregor Lake Sale # 830



**Land Board Agenda Item
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0217-4D Sale of Cabin and Home Sites: Final Approval for Sale – Sales 834-839, 842-846, 890 & 894

Location: Missoula County

Trust Benefits: Montana State University, Common Schools

Trust Revenue: \$840,000

Item Summary

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC) is requesting final approval on thirteen cabin sites nominated for sale in Missoula County. The sales were nominated by the lessees in conjunction with the Cabin and Home Site Sale Program.

Sale #	# of Acres	Legal	Nominator	Trust
834	1.25	Lot 39, Seeley Lake Devt, T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Justin & Stacy Juelfs	MSU
835	1.363	Lot 43, Seeley Lake Devt, T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Fred Gariepy	MSU
836	1.407	Lot 29, Seeley Lake Devt, T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Denise Epler, et al.	MSU
837	1.682	Lot 12, Seeley Lake Devt, T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Christopher & Debbie Slater	MSU
894	1.131	Lot 44, Seeley Lake Devt, T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Maura Stobie	MSU
838	1.084	Lot 3, Seeley Lake Outlet E., T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Bruce & Louise Stiegler	MSU
839	1.173	Lot 4, Seeley Lake Outlet E., T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Ellen Spurlock	MSU
842	1.463	Lot 22, Seeley Lake Outlet E., T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	David & Margaret Yugas	MSU
843	1.304	Lot 2, Seeley Lake Devt N., T17N-R15W, Sec. 16	Jessica Brown	Common Schools
844	1.571	Lot 24, Seeley Lake Outlet E., T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Bruce & Peggy Graving	MSU
890	0.646	Lot 5A, Seeley lake Outlet E., T16N-R15W, Sec. 4	Robin Castle Mikkelsen, et al.	MSU
845	2.851	Lot 2, Sperry Grade, T15N-R14W, Sec. 36	Larry Risen	Common Schools
846	1.807	Lot 1, Sperry Grade, T15N-R14W, Sec. 36	Smeby Family LLC	Common Schools

The parcels are currently leased as cabin sites and produce an average income for residential leases statewide.

The parcels will be sold with the access that is currently provided under the lease agreement and can be conveyed by DNRC.

Economic Analysis:

Short term – The average rate of return on sale parcel 834 is 4.27%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 835 is 4.28%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 836 is 4.10%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 837 is 4.40%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 894 is 4.30%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 838 is 6.47%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 839 is 2.68%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 842 is 5.21%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 843 is 4.12%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 844 is 5.11%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 890 is 4.86%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 845 is 2.61%. The average rate of return on sale parcel 846 is 2.2%. These parcels would continue to receive these returns if they remain in state ownership.

Long term – The funds from the sale of these parcels would be combined with other sale funds to purchase replacement lands through the department's Land Banking program. Lands purchased are required to have an equal or greater rate of return than the combined lands that generated the sale funds used for the purchase. To date, the average annual rate of return on acquisitions has been 2.72% on acquisitions with income generated from annual lease payments.

Cultural/Paleontological Resources:

A Class I level of cultural resource inventory was conducted for the proposed sales. Home sites typically contain numerous structures and the ground surfaces within most home sites have been variously disturbed over the course of many years of occupation and development. These sales will have no effect to state owned heritage properties.

Background:

In May 2016, the board granted preliminary approval for these parcels to continue through the cabin site sale evaluation process. In October 2016, the board set the minimum bid for the land and the maximum value of compensation for the improvements at the appraised values below:

Appraised Values of Land and Improvements:

Sale #	Appraised Value of Land	Appraised Value of Improvements
834	\$32,000	\$100,000
835	\$32,000	\$42,000
836	\$30,000	\$52,000
837	\$32,000	\$50,000
894	\$32,000	\$46,000
838	\$75,000	\$60,000
839	\$75,000	\$70,000
842	\$75,000	\$110,000
843	\$32,000	\$25,000
844	\$80,000	\$140,000

890	\$75,000	\$130,000
845	\$135,000	\$260,000
846	\$135,000	\$145,000

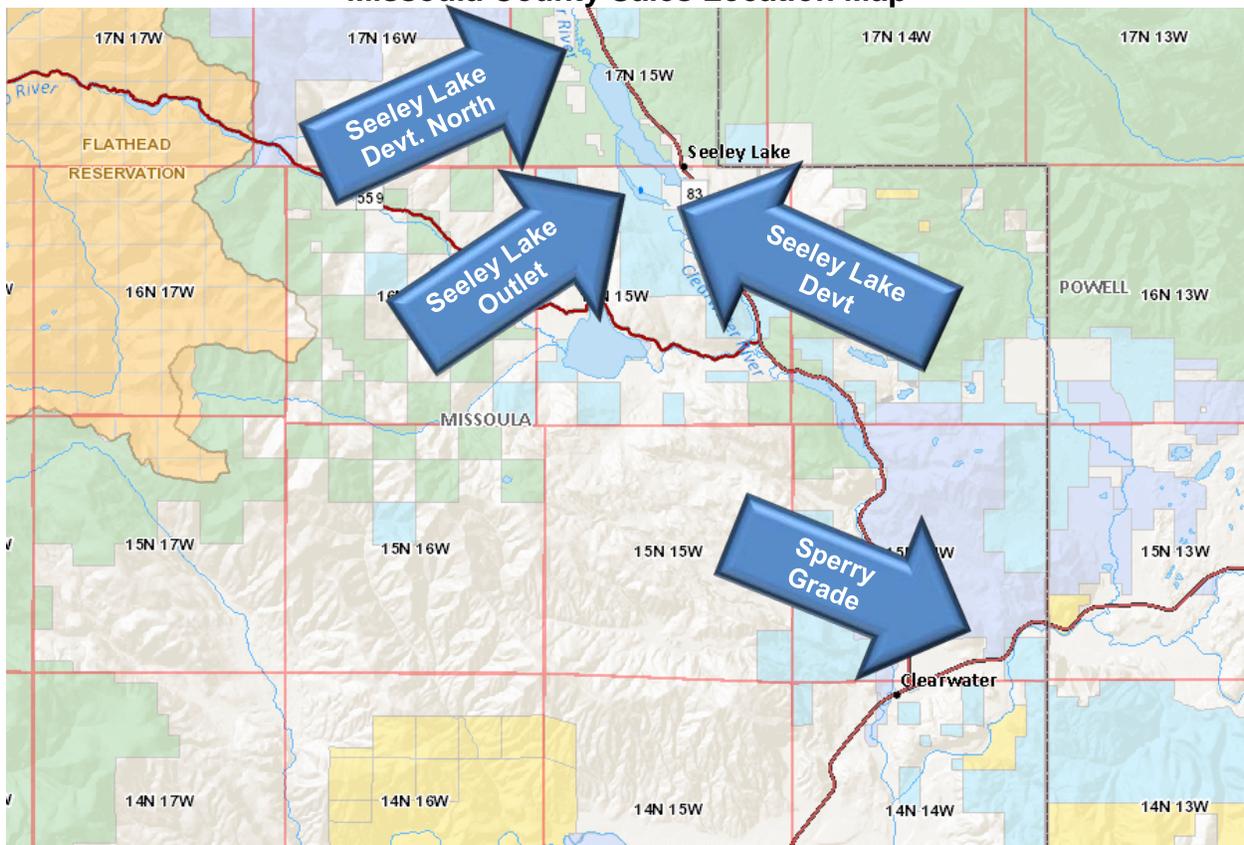
Sale Price:

The cabin sites were sold at a public auction on January 24, 2017. There was one bidder per parcel, who were the lessees, with the exception of Sale 843 which was sold to a third party. The parcels were sold for the minimum bid amounts listed above.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends final approval for the cabin site lots at the value shown above. The sales will be closed within 30 days of final approval by the board.

Missoula County Sales Location Map



Seeley Lake Development Sales # 834, 835, 836, 837 & 894



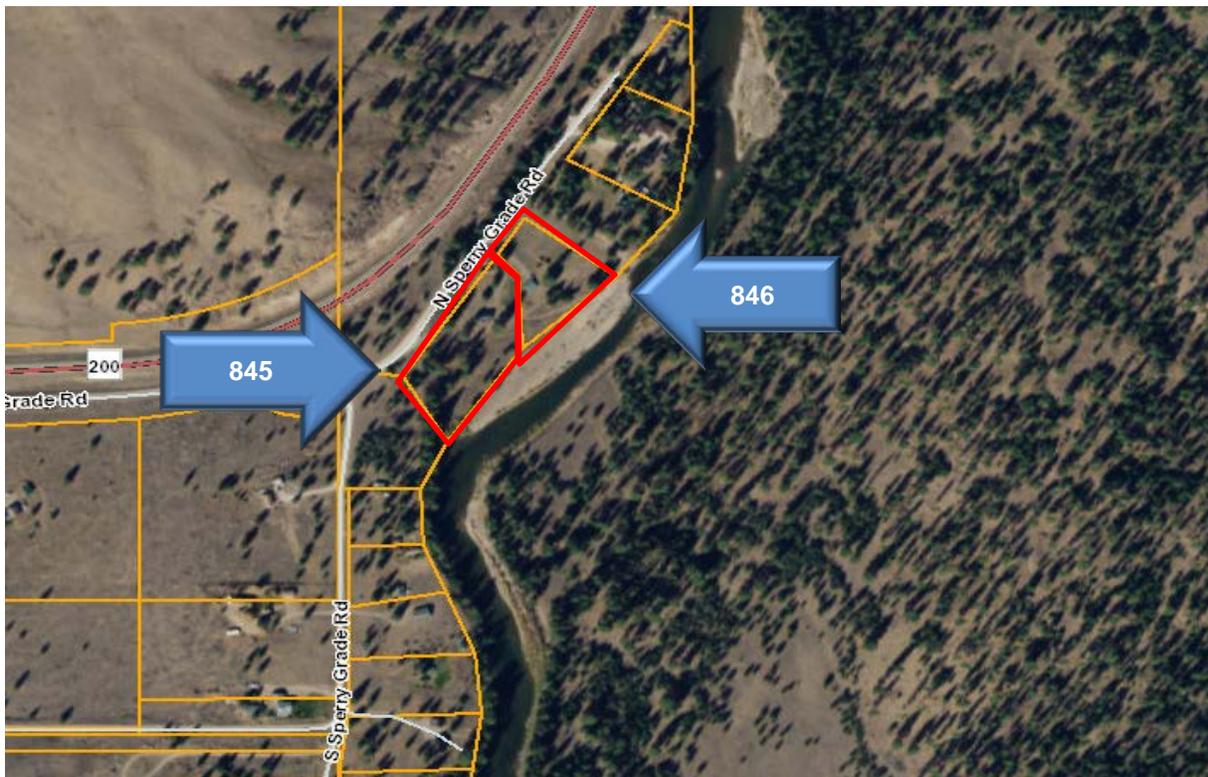
Seeley Lake Development North Sale #843



Seeley Lake Outlet East, Sales # 838, 839, 842, 844 & 890



Sperry Grade Sales # 845 & 846



0217-5

EASEMENTS:

**Land Board Agenda Item
February 21, 2017**

0217-5 Easements

Location: Blaine, Broadwater, Cascade, Flathead, Golden Valley, Jefferson, Lewis & Clark, Madison, Meagher, Powell

Trust Benefits: Common Schools, MSU Morrill, MSU 2nd, Public Land Trust, University of Montana (UM)

**Trust Revenue: Common Schools= \$63,638
MSU Morrill=\$1,876
MSU 2nd=\$696
Public Land Trust=\$3,235
University of Montana (UM)=\$34,540**

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Blaine County
PO Box 278
Chinook MT 59523

Application No.: 17023
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Two Tree Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 1.36
Compensation: \$884.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through W2NW4, Sec. 36, Twp. 33N, Rge. 19E,
Blaine County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

Item Summary

Blaine County has made application for this county road that was constructed on state lands many years ago without proper authorization from the Land Board. Pursuant to §77-1-130, MCA the county is requesting recognition of this road as a historic right of way.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends approval of this historic right of way for Blaine County.

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Blaine County
PO Box 278
Chinook MT 59523

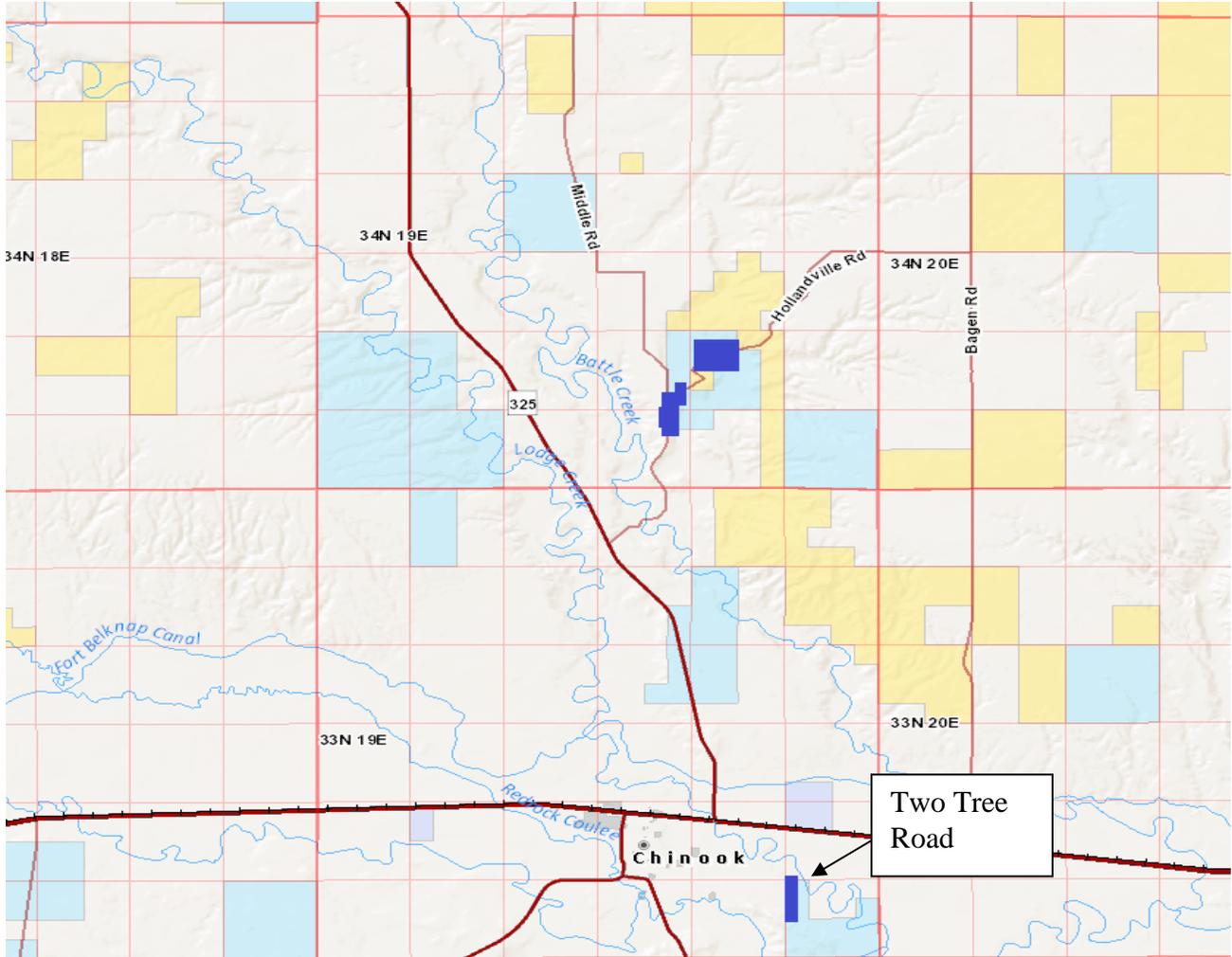
Application No.: 17024
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Hollandville Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 7.32
Compensation: \$1876.00
Legal Description: 60-foot strip through E2NW4, SW4NW4, Sec. 26; E2SE4, Sec. 27;
NE4NE4, Sec. 34, Twp. 34N, Rge. 19E,
Blaine County
Trust Beneficiary: MSU Morrill

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Application #'s 17023 & 17024 – Blaine County

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Corporation
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

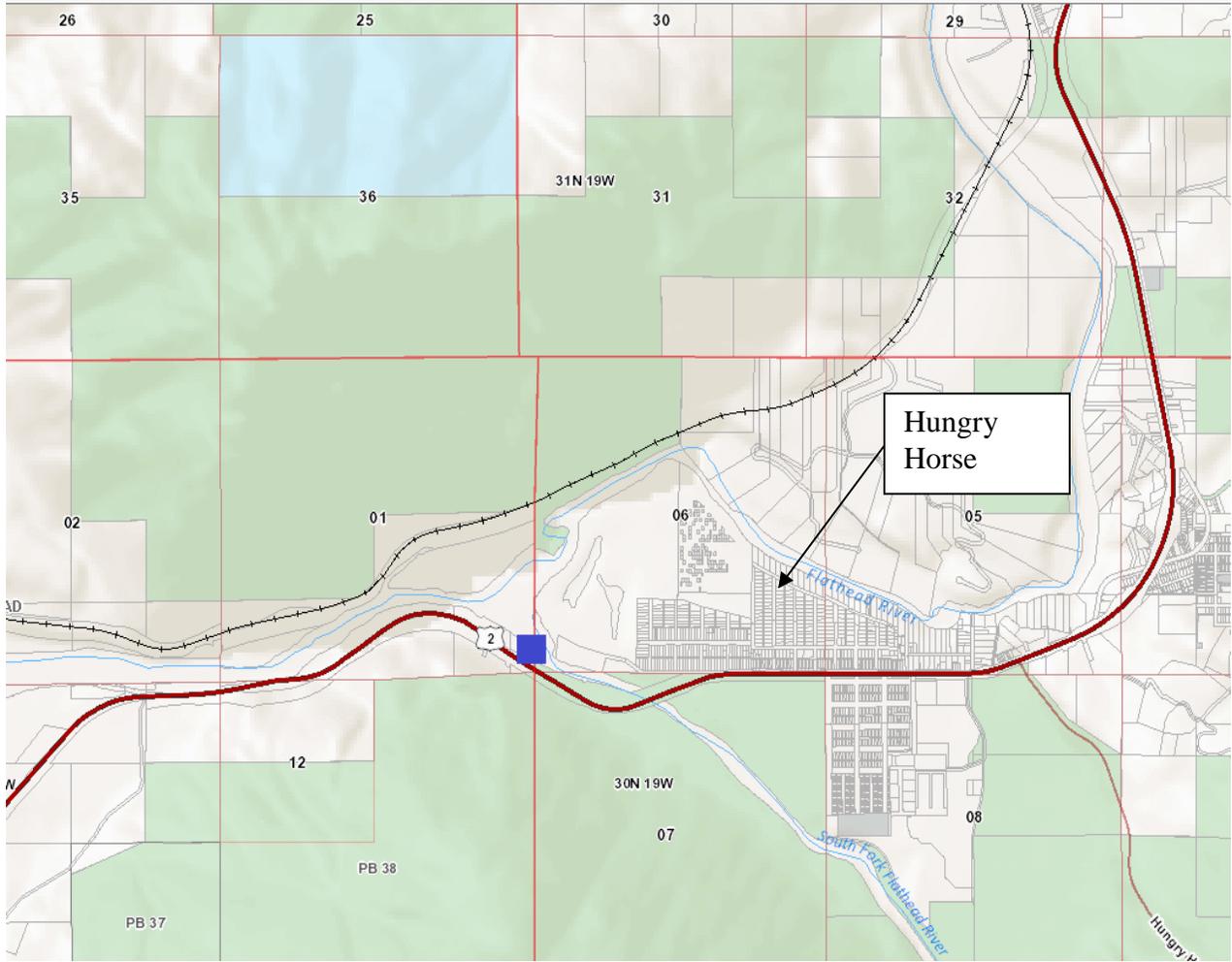
Application No.: 17505
R/W Purpose: a 10” buried natural gas pipeline across the Flathead River
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Navigable River)
Acreage: 0.84
Compensation: \$2730.00
Legal Description: 50-foot strip through SE4, Sec. 1, Twp. 30N, Rge. 20W; SW4,
Sec. 6, Twp. 30N, Rge. 19W,
Flathead County
Trust Beneficiary: Public Lands

Item Summary

Northwestern Energy has made application for a buried natural gas pipeline across the South Fork of the Flathead River. The project entails rerouting an existing 10” natural gas transmission line to accommodate a conflict with reconstruction of Highway 2 and construction of a new bridge to Hungry Horse by the Department of Transportation (DoT). The existing pipeline is currently suspended from the existing bridge. The existing bridge will be demolished upon completion of the highway and new bridge construction. The relocated pipeline will be installed under the river via horizontal directional drilling methods and be laid 24 feet below the bed of the river, which is double the scour depth.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends approval of this 30-Year Term easement for a natural gas pipeline across the Flathead River.



Application # 17505 – NWE

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17499
R/W Purpose: a 1” buried natural gas pipeline
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.12
Compensation: \$432.00
Legal Description: 20-foot strip through NW4SW4, Sec. 8, Twp. 11N, Rge. 3W,
Lewis & Clark County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

Item Summary

Northwestern Energy has made application for multiple overhead electric distribution and transmission lines and natural gas pipelines that were constructed on state lands many years ago without proper authorization from the Land Board. Pursuant to §77-1-130, MCA Northwestern Energy is requesting recognition of these overhead electric distribution and transmission lines and natural gas pipelines as historic rights of ways.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends approval of this historic right of way for Northwestern Energy.

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17502
R/W Purpose: a 2" buried natural gas pipeline
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.33
Compensation: \$1188.00
Legal Description: 20-foot strip through NW4SW4, Sec. 8, Twp. 11N, Rge. 3W,
Lewis & Clark County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17510
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 4.6
Compensation: \$3680.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through E2E2, Sec. 8, Twp 9N, Rge. 2W,
Jefferson County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17511
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV buried electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 3.11
Compensation: \$1866.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through NE4NW4, N2NE4, SE4NE4,
Sec. 36, Twp. 10N, Rge. 8W,
Powell County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17512
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 1.68
Compensation: \$1008.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through NW4NW4, NE4NE4,
Sec. 36, Twp. 10N, Rge. 8W,
Powell County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17513
R/W Purpose: a 7.2kV buried electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.13
Compensation: \$130.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through SW4NW4, Sec. 16, Twp. 10N, Rge. 1W,
Lewis & Clark County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17514
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV buried electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.17
Compensation: \$612.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through SW4SW4, Sec. 8, Twp. 11N, Rge. 3W,
Lewis & Clark County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17515
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.21
Compensation: \$756.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through NW4NW4, NW4SW4,
Sec. 8, Twp. 11N, Rge. 3W,
Lewis & Clark County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17516
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.04
Compensation: \$100.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through SE4SW4, Sec. 36, Twp. 11N, Rge. 5W,
Lewis & Clark County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17518
R/W Purpose: a 24.9kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 3.35
Compensation: \$3762.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through NW4NW4, E2E2,
Sec. 16, Twp. 4N, Rge. 1E,
Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17519
R/W Purpose: a 24.9kV overhead electric distribution line across the Missouri River

Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.11
Compensation: \$179.00
Legal Description: 10-foot strip through NE4SW4, Sec. 23, Twp. 5N, Rge. 2E, Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Public Land Trust

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17520
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 2.67
Compensation: \$1335.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through N2SW4, SW4SW4,
Sec. 16, Twp. 5N, Rge. 1E,
Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17521
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line across the Missouri River

Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.13
Compensation: \$212.00
Legal Description: 10-foot strip through SW4NE4, Sec. 7, Twp. 6N, Rge. 2E, Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Public Land Trust

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17522
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV buried electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 2.49
Compensation: \$1494.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through E2NW4, NW4NE4,
Sec. 36, Twp. 7N, Rge. 1E,
Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17523
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line across the Missouri River

Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.07
Compensation: \$114.00
Legal Description: 10-foot strip through SW4NW4, Sec. 30, Twp. 7N, Rge. 2E, Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Public Land Trust

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17524
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 3.72
Compensation: \$2046.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through N2N2, Sec. 16, Twp. 8N, Rge. 1E,
Broadwater County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17525
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 6.36
Compensation: \$3180.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through E2NE4, SE4SW4, NE4SE4, S2SE4,
Sec. 36, Twp. 9N, Rge. 1W,
Broadwater County

Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17526
R/W Purpose: a 12.47kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 4.36
Compensation: \$2398.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through S2N2, Sec. 16, Twp. 8N, Rge. 6E,
Meagher County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17527
R/W Purpose: a 7.2kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.91
Compensation: \$501.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through SW4NE4, Sec. 18, Twp. 8N, Rge. 6E,
Meagher County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17528
R/W Purpose: a 24.94kV buried electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.77
Compensation: \$616.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through E2NE4, Sec. 36, Twp. 9N, Rge. 6E,
Meagher County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

Application No.: 17529
R/W Purpose: a 24.94kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 1.78
Compensation: \$1424.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through W2SW4, Sec. 10, Twp. 9N, Rge. 6E,
Meagher County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Northwestern Energy
11 East Park
Butte MT 59701

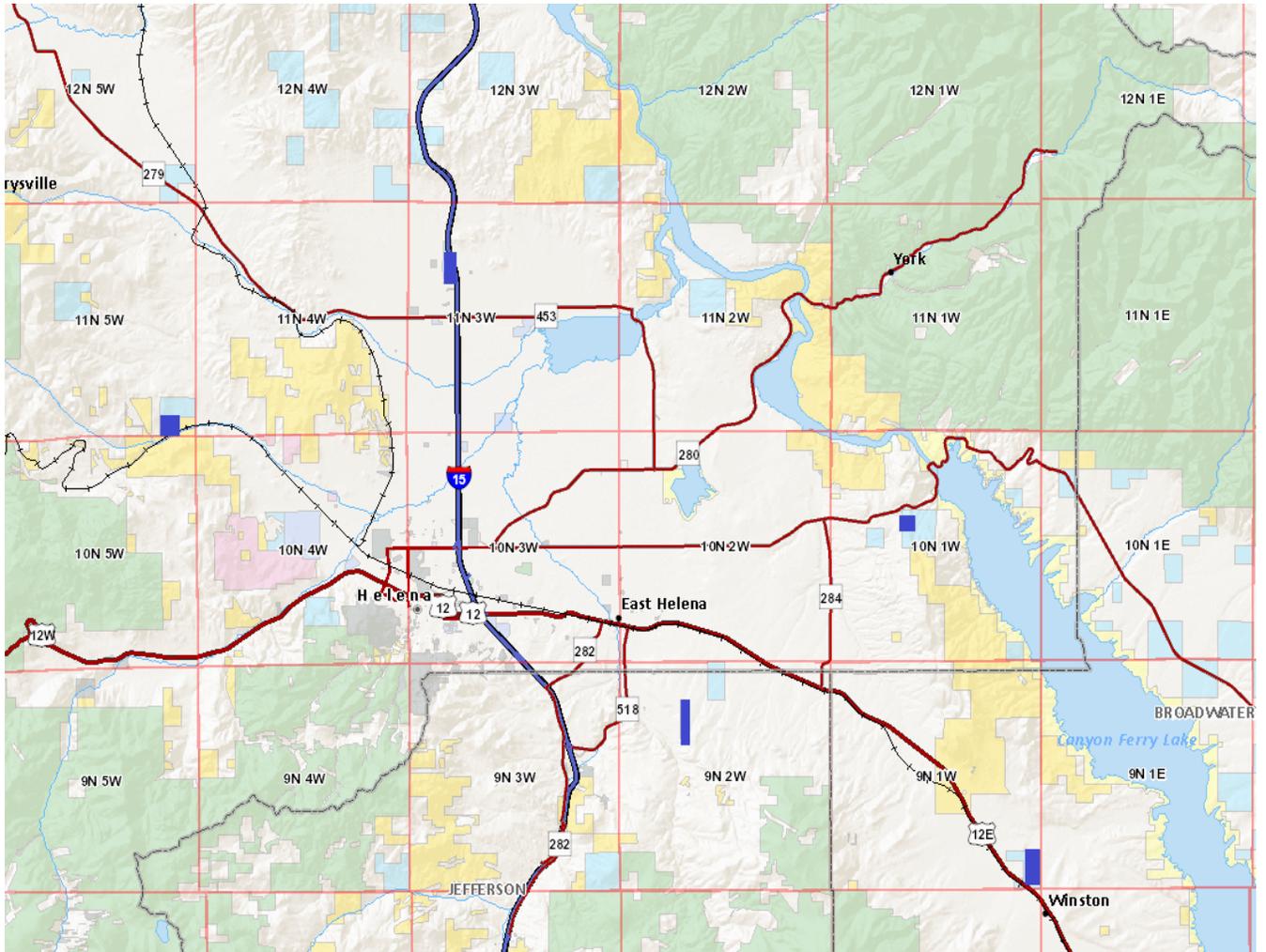
Application No.: 17530
R/W Purpose: a 24.94kV overhead electric distribution line
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.24
Compensation: \$192.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through SW4SW4, Sec. 11, Twp. 9N, Rge. 6E,
Meagher County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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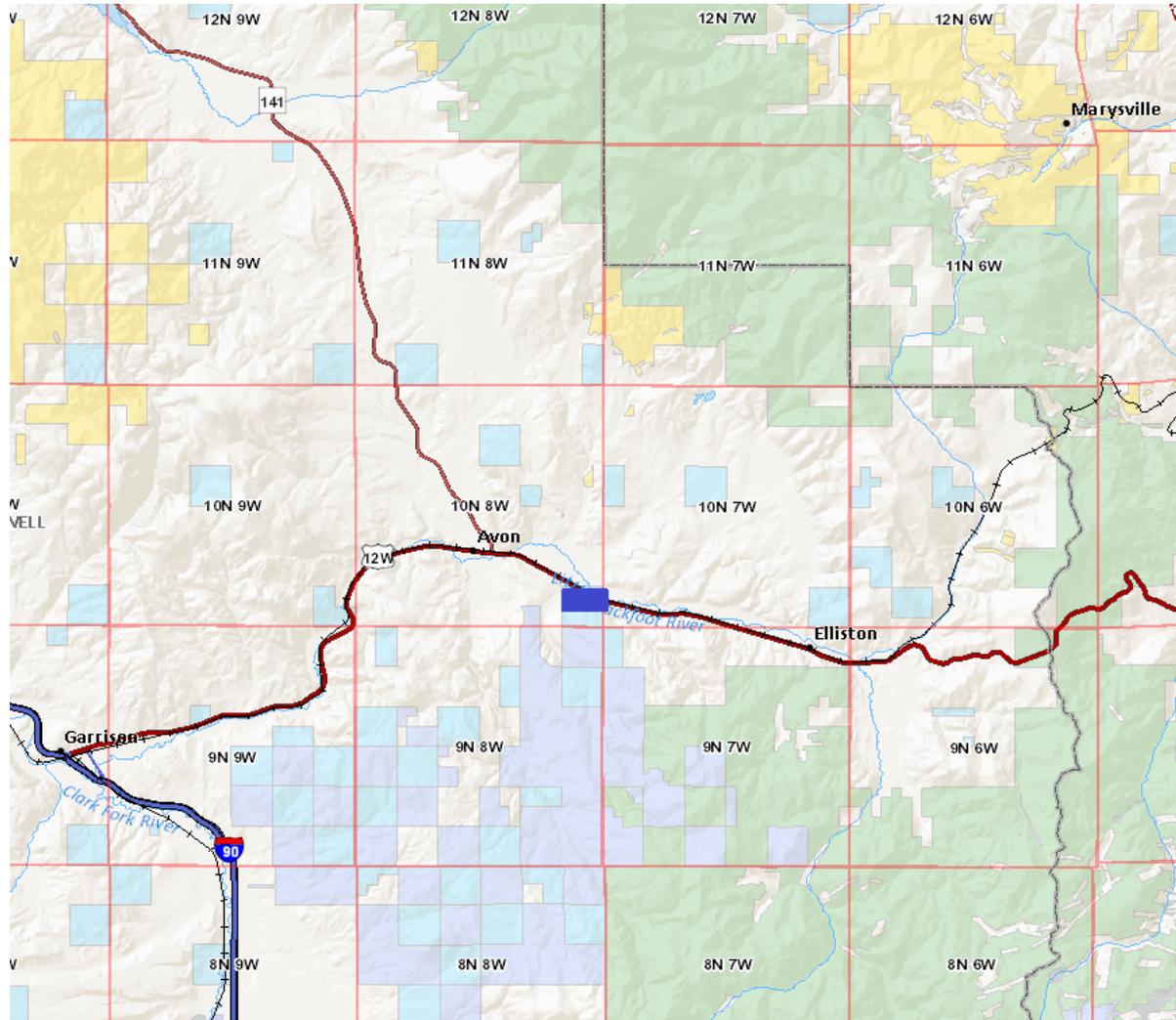
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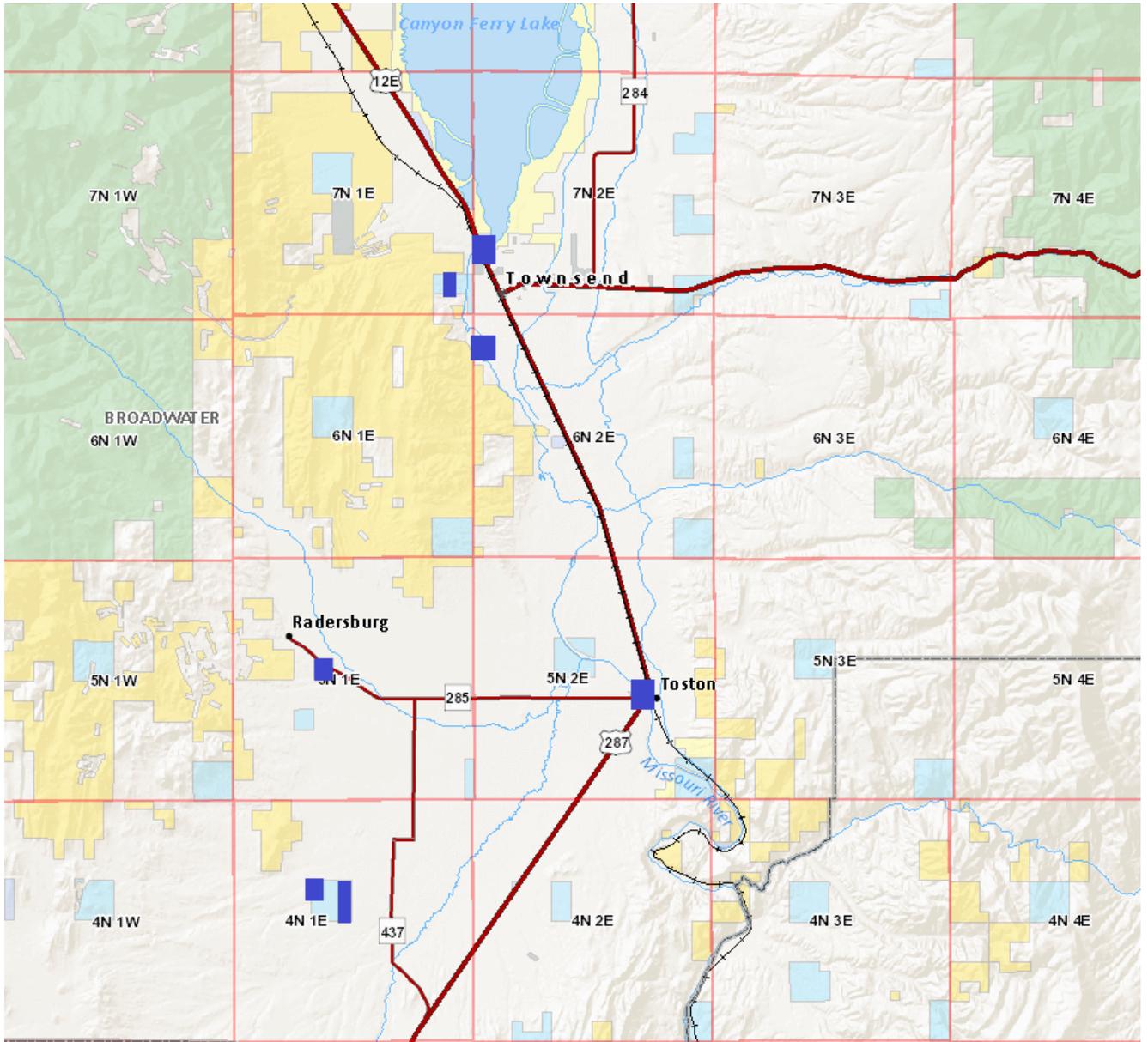
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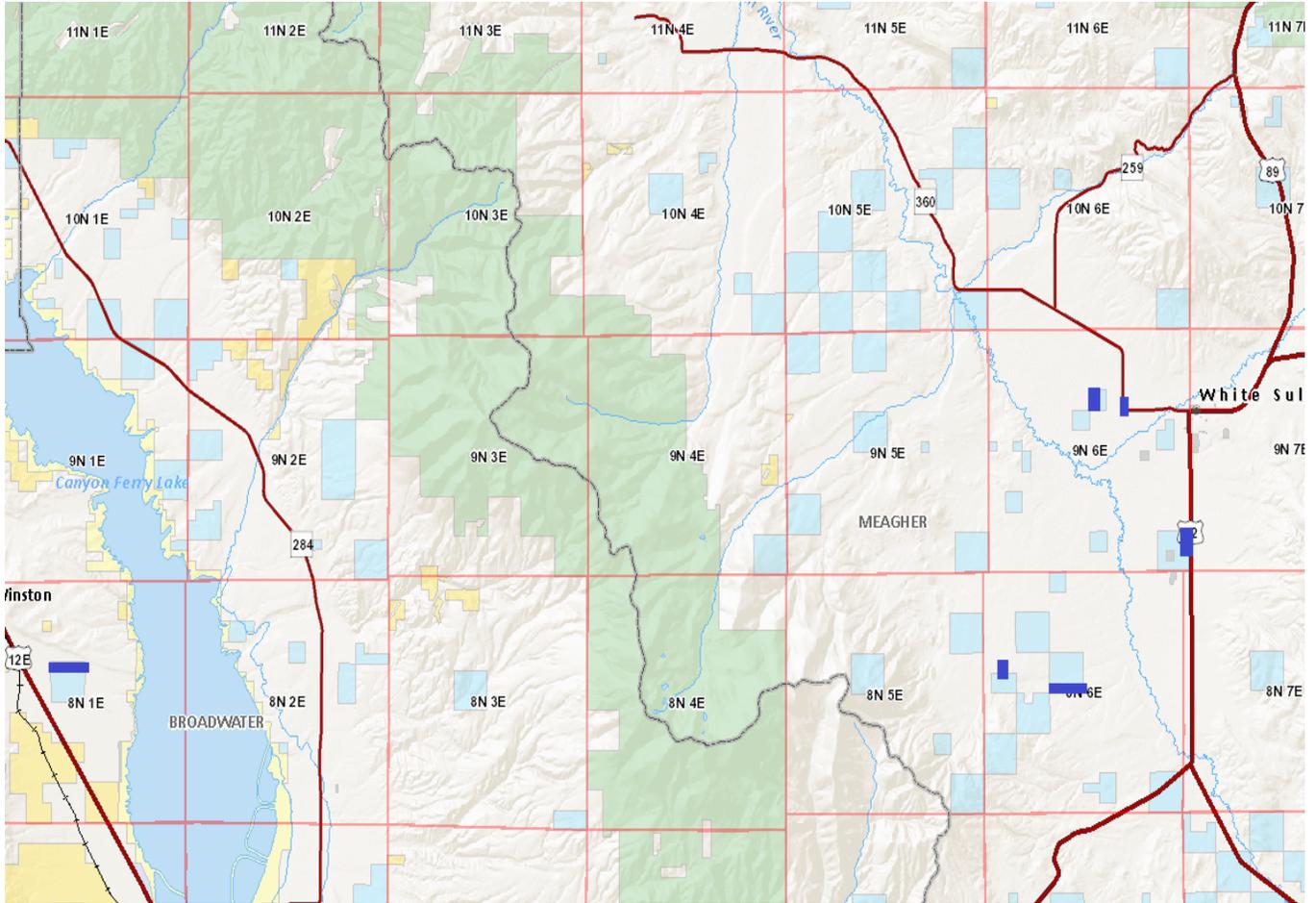
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Application #'s 17524, 17526, 17527, 17528, 17529, 17530 – NWE

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Cascade County
415 3rd Street NW
Great Falls MT 59404

Application No.: 17699
R/W Purpose: highway construction and maintenance including occupancy by public utilities

Lessee Agreement: ok
Acreage: 3.14
Compensation: \$34,540.00
Legal Description: tract of land in U.S. Government Lots 6 & 7,
Sec. 23, Twp. 20N, Rge. 3E,
Cascade County

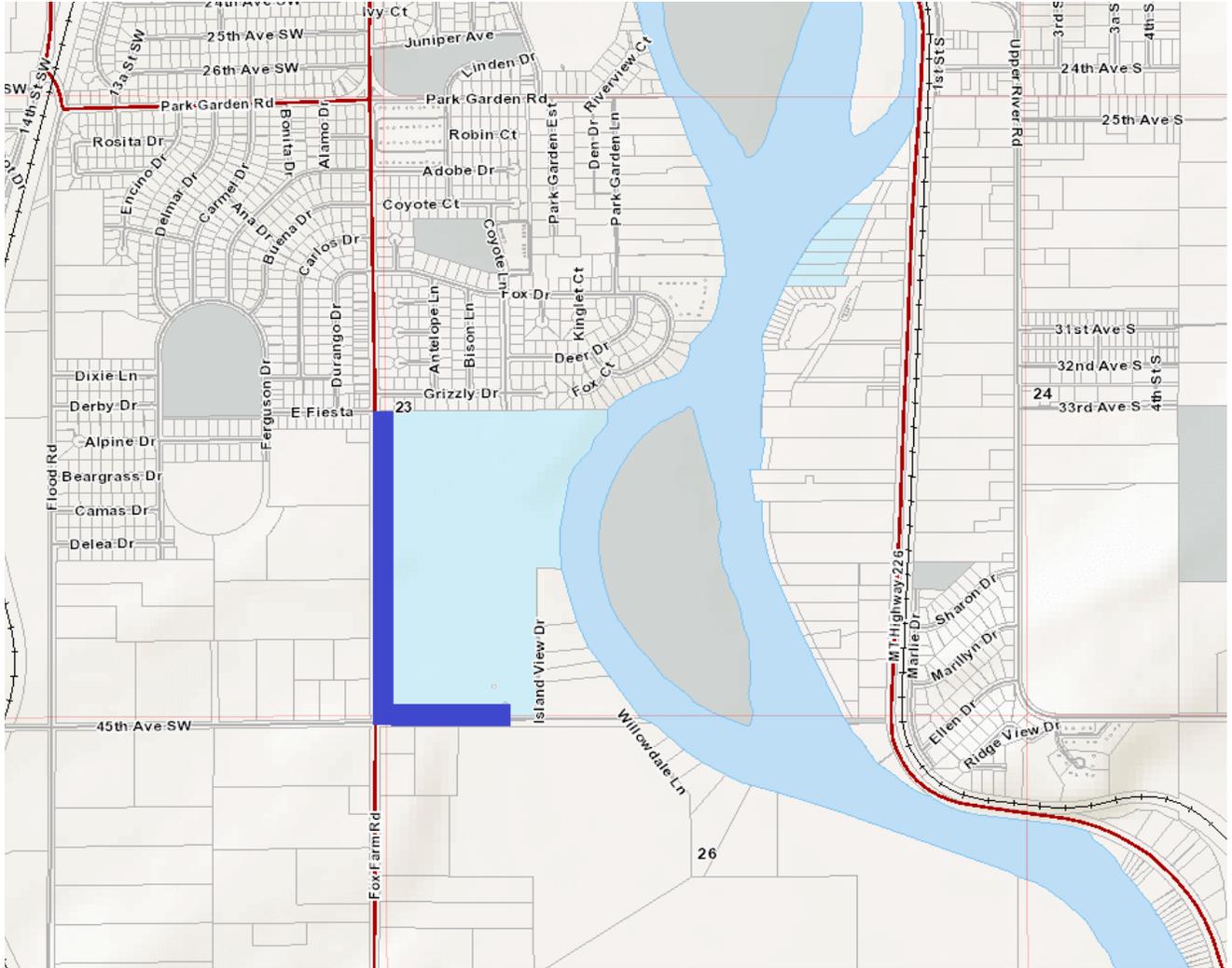
Trust Beneficiary: University of Montana

Item Summary

The Department of Transportation (DoT) has made application on behalf of Cascade County for the Fox Farm – Great Falls road reconstruction project. The scope of the project is to reconstruct a section of Urban Route 5220 locally known as Fox Farm Road from the intersection of East Fiesta Road south to just beyond the intersection with Dick Road. Work will include flattening of the vertical alignment to improve sight distance and a widening of the roadway. Excavation, utility relocation, pavement, drainage features, new signage and pavement markings will be included with this project. The fundamental purpose of this project is to improve safety for the traveling public and to bring the roadway up to current design standards. The State Trust land parcel involved has potential for development and as such, the DNRC has negotiated construction of three approaches into the parcel for future use.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends approval of this highway construction project.



Application # 17699- Cascade County

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City MT 59755

Application No.: 17754
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Wisconsin Creek Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 1.82
Compensation: \$1820.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through N2SE4, Sec. 16, Twp. 4S, Rge. 5W,
Madison County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

Item Summary

Madison County has made application for this county road that was constructed on state lands many years ago without proper authorization from the Land Board. Pursuant to §77-1-130, MCA the county is requesting recognition of this road as a historic right of way.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends approval of this historic right of way for Madison County.

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City MT 59755

Application No.: 17755
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Mill Gulch Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 8.21
Compensation: \$8210.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through E2NE4 & 60-foot strip through E2NE4,
N2SE4, SW4SW4, Sec. 16, Twp. 5S, Rge. 3W,
Madison County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City MT 59755

Application No.: 17756
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Hells Canyon Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 8.81
Compensation: \$7048.00
Legal Description: 60-foot strip through E2W2, Sec. 16, Twp. 2S, Rge. 6W,
Madison County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City MT 59755

Application No.: 17757
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Bayers Lane
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.87
Compensation: \$696.00
Legal Description: 60-foot strip through NW4NE4, Sec. 18, Twp. 2S, Rge. 5W,
Madison County
Trust Beneficiary: MSU 2nd

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City 59755

Application No.: 17758
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Pony Creek Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 0.95
Compensation: \$950.00
Legal Description: 60-foot strip through SE4NE4, Sec. 13, Twp. 2S, Rge. 3W,
Madison County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City MT 59755

Application No.: 17759
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Varney Cutoff Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 5.41
Compensation: \$6492.00
Legal Description: 30-foot strip through N2N2 & 60-foot strip through E2NE4,
Sec. 16, Twp. 7S, Rge. 1W,
Madison County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Madison County
PO Box 278
Virginia City MT 59755

Application No.: 17760
R/W Purpose: a public county road known as Johnny Ridge Road
Lessee Agreement: N/A (Historic)
Acreage: 9.07
Compensation: \$10,884.00
Legal Description: 60-foot strip through NE4NE4, SW4NE4, N2SW4, NW4SE4,
Sec. 36, Twp. 8S, Rge. 1W,
Madison County

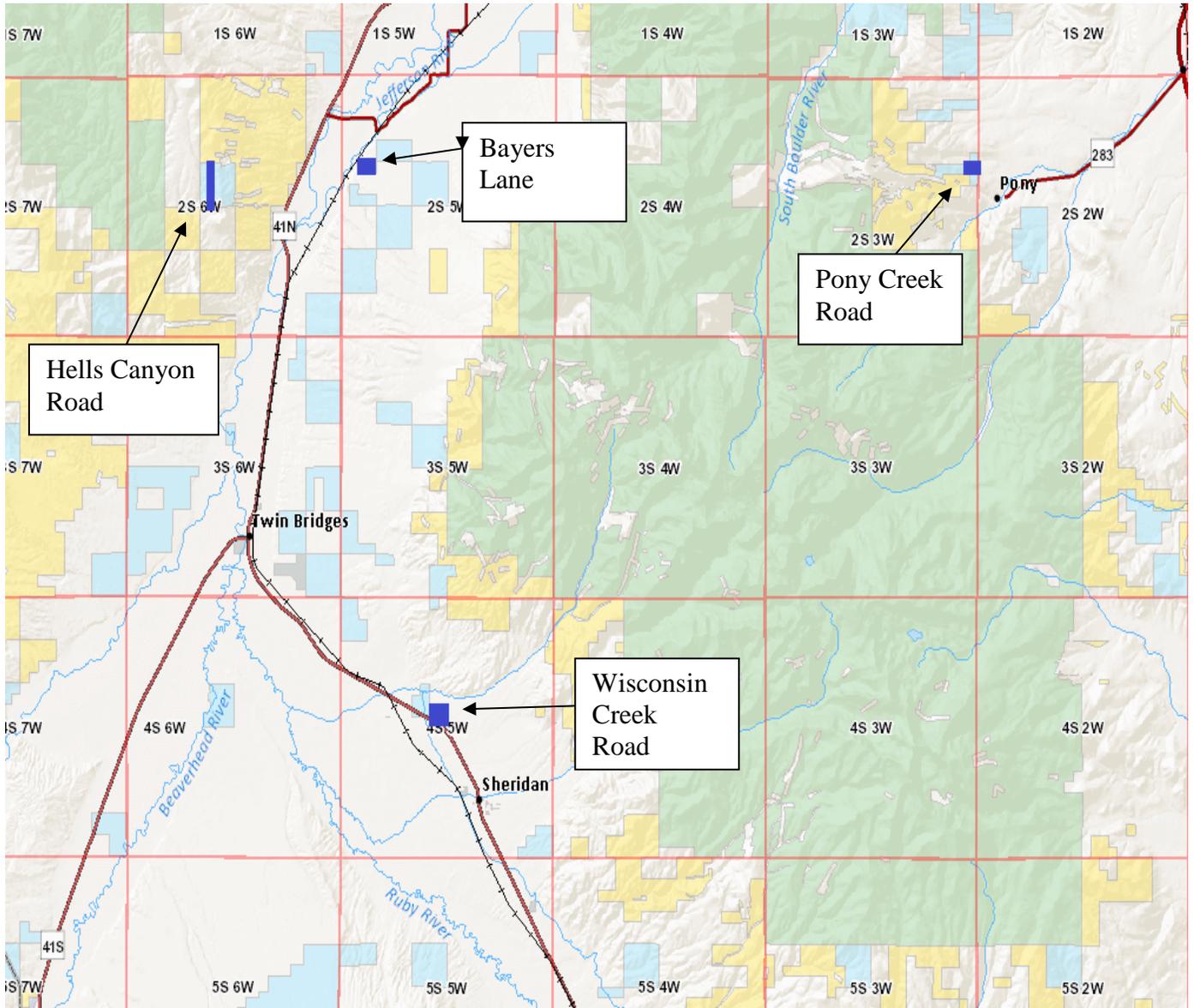
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

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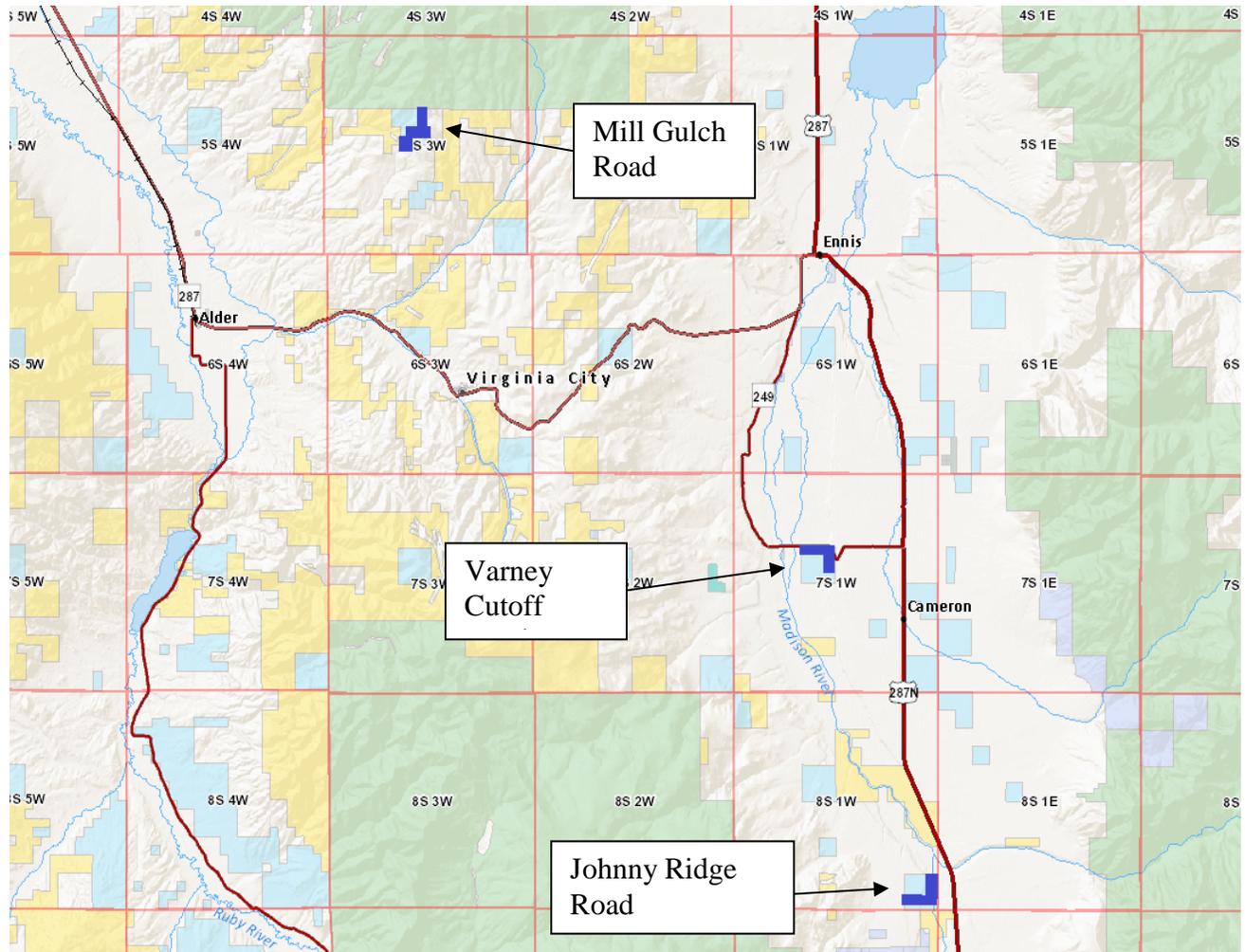
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Application #'s 17754-78 – Madison County



Application #'s 17755, 17759-60 – Madison County

APPLICANTS AND RIGHTS OF WAY INFORMATION

Applicant: Triangle Telephone Cooperative Association Inc.
PO Box 1220
Havre MT 59501

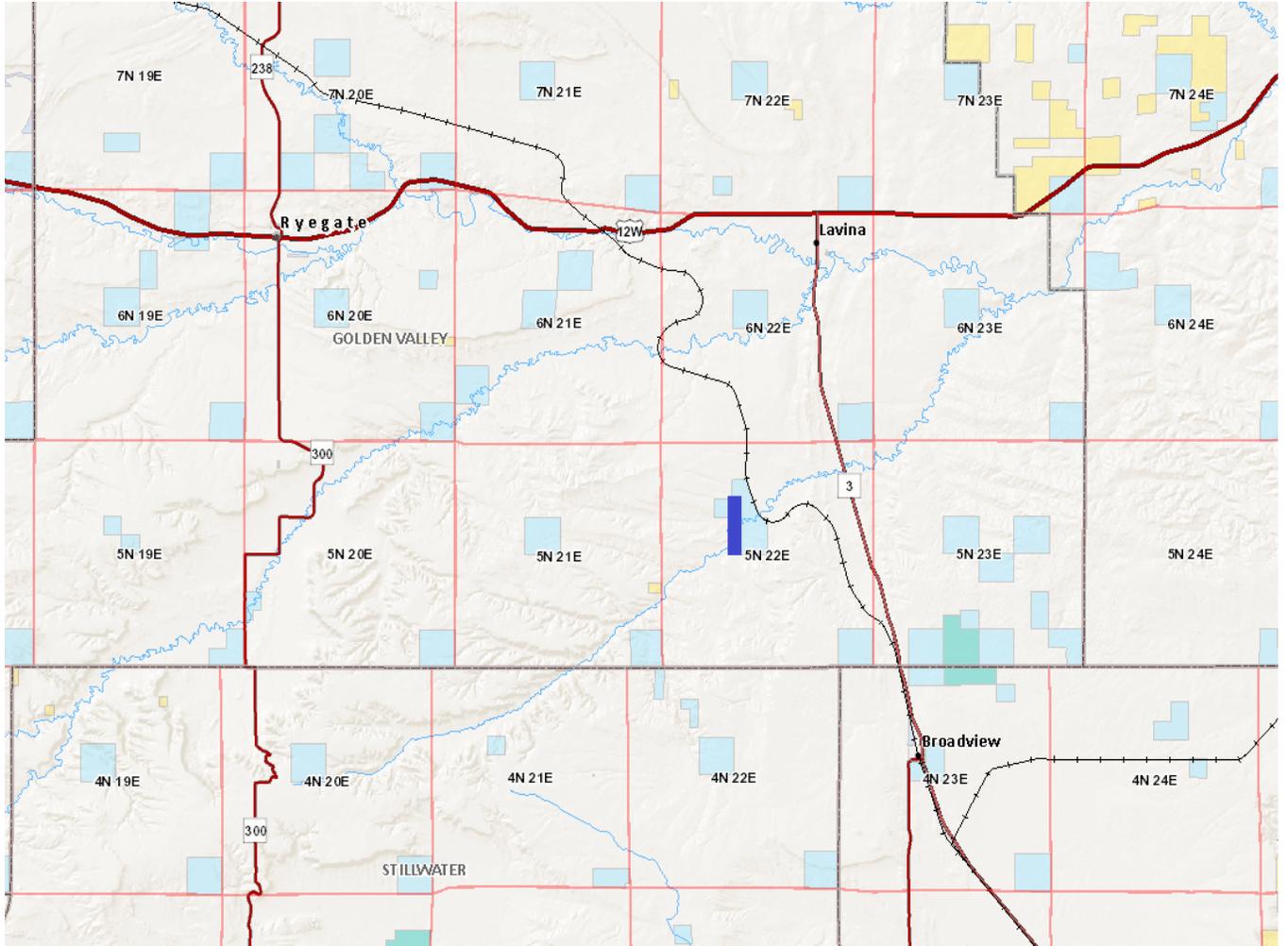
Application No.: 17790
R/W Purpose: a buried telecommunications cable
Lessee Agreement: ok
Acreage: 1.26
Compensation: \$630.00
Legal Description: 20-foot strip through E2SE4, Sec. 8, Twp. 5N, Rge. 22E,
Golden Valley County
Trust Beneficiary: Common Schools

Item Summary

Triangle Telephone has made application for a buried telecommunications cable to provide state of the art facilities and services to the Broadview Exchange service area. Portions of the proposed route are within sage grouse general habitat. Pursuant to *Sage Grouse Executive Order No. 12-2015* special stipulations will be placed in the easement documents to address mitigation measures, such as restrictions related to construction time periods. This project, identified as Project No.'s 1479319822698 & 1466439644992, has been approved by the Montana Sage Grouse Habitat Conservation Program.

DNRC Recommendation

The director recommends approval of this buried telecommunications cable.



Application #'s 17790-92 – Triangle Telephone