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Dear Sir or Madam:

The Plains Unit of the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation is developing plans for two proposed timber sales.

The first proposed sale would be known as the Green Calico Timber Sale. This proposed sale is located approximately 19 air miles northwest of Plains, MT in the Calico Creek drainage, Sections 32 & 34, Township 23 North, Range 27 West, and Sections 4 & 10, Township 22 North, Range 27 West. This sale is in the earliest stages of planning and would most likely involve seed tree and shelterwood harvests with ground and cable-based logging systems. This sale may require new and/or reconstruction of roads and would include some minor improvements on existing roads. This sale would likely sell in the fall of 2019 and is projected to generate approximately 2 - 3 million board feet of timber for the Public Buildings and Common Schools Trusts.

The second, known as the ReDeemer Timber Sale, is located approximately 5 air miles northeast of Plains, MT, on the north side of Deemer Peak, Sections 8, 9, 10, & 16, Township 22 North, Range 25 West. This sale is in the earliest stages of planning and would most likely involve seed tree and shelterwood harvests with ground and cable-based logging systems. This sale may require new and/or reconstruction of roads and would include some minor improvements on existing roads. This sale would likely sell in the spring of 2020 and is projected to generate approximately 4 - 5 million board feet of timber for the Common Schools Trust.

These sales are being considered to generate revenue for their associated Trust Funds, improve forest health by reducing the possibility of insect and disease activity, to reduce excessive fuel loading and the related risk of wildfire, and to reestablish and promote timber types historically found in these areas. These proposed harvests would contribute to the DNRC's sustained yield as mandated by state statute 77-5-222.

As an adjacent landowner or interested party, we request your input regarding these projects. Your concerns and comments are needed to assist the DNRC in planning, analyzing, and implementing these projects. We would appreciate your response by October 31, 2018 so that we may incorporate it into our planning process. Please send comments to: DNRC Plains Unit, ATTN: Dale Peters, PO Box 219, Plains, MT 59859 or by email to dpeters@mt.gov or by phone at 406-826-4722.

Sincerely,

Dale Peters

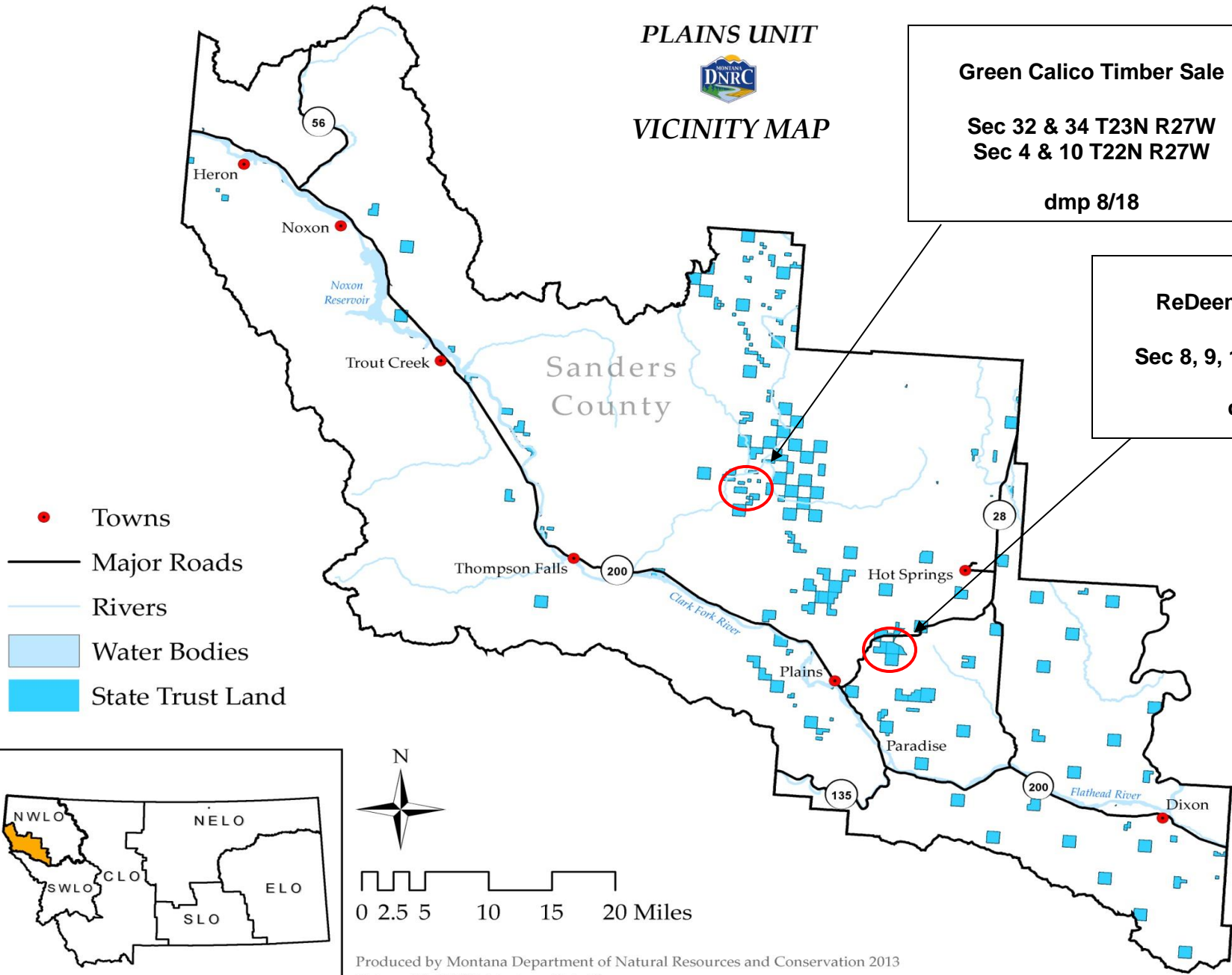
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PLAINS UNIT
VICINITY MAP

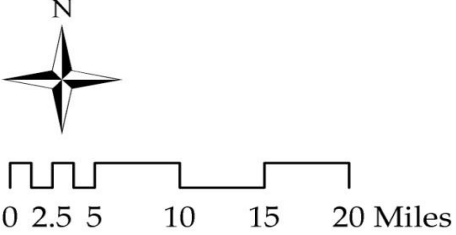
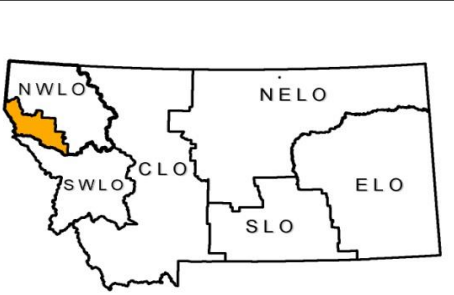


Green Calico Timber Sale
Sec 32 & 34 T23N R27W
Sec 4 & 10 T22N R27W
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ReDeemer Timber Sale
Sec 8, 9, 10, 16 T22N R25W
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