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### Initial Proposal Yank Creek Salvage Timber Permit 9/20/2021

The Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), Helena Unit is proposing to harvest timber on the following state-owned parcel:

#### Section 16, Township 16 North, Range 1 West

This section is located approximately 10 miles south of the town of Cascade, MT in Yank Creek, Sawmill Creek and the North Fork of Sheep Creek drainages. The section was burned in the 2021 Harris Mountain Fire.

The primary objectives for the proposed project are:

- Fulfill the saltatorial obligation to generate revenue for the Trust Benefices, Common Schools.
- Capture economic value while there is an opportunity.

The outcomes of the proposed action are anticipated to be

- 102 acres of salvage harvest,
- 469 MBF of timber salvaged
- The proposed harvest would contribute to the DNRC's sustained yield as mandated by state statute 77-5-222.

Road work included in the salvage harvest:

- Road maintenance and improvements would be implemented, across both private and state-owned lands.
- On state-owned lands up to .25 miles of road would be constructed and up to 1.5 miles of road maintained. One bridge would be upgraded and BMP's improved.

Noxious weed management, contour falling for erosion control, pile burning, grass seeding, and tree planting may also occur under the proposed action.

The DNRC is in the scoping phase of the project environmental assessment, so all volumes, acreages and road distances are preliminary estimates. In preparation for this project, specialists such as wildlife biologists, hydrologists, soil scientists, and archeologists will be consulted.

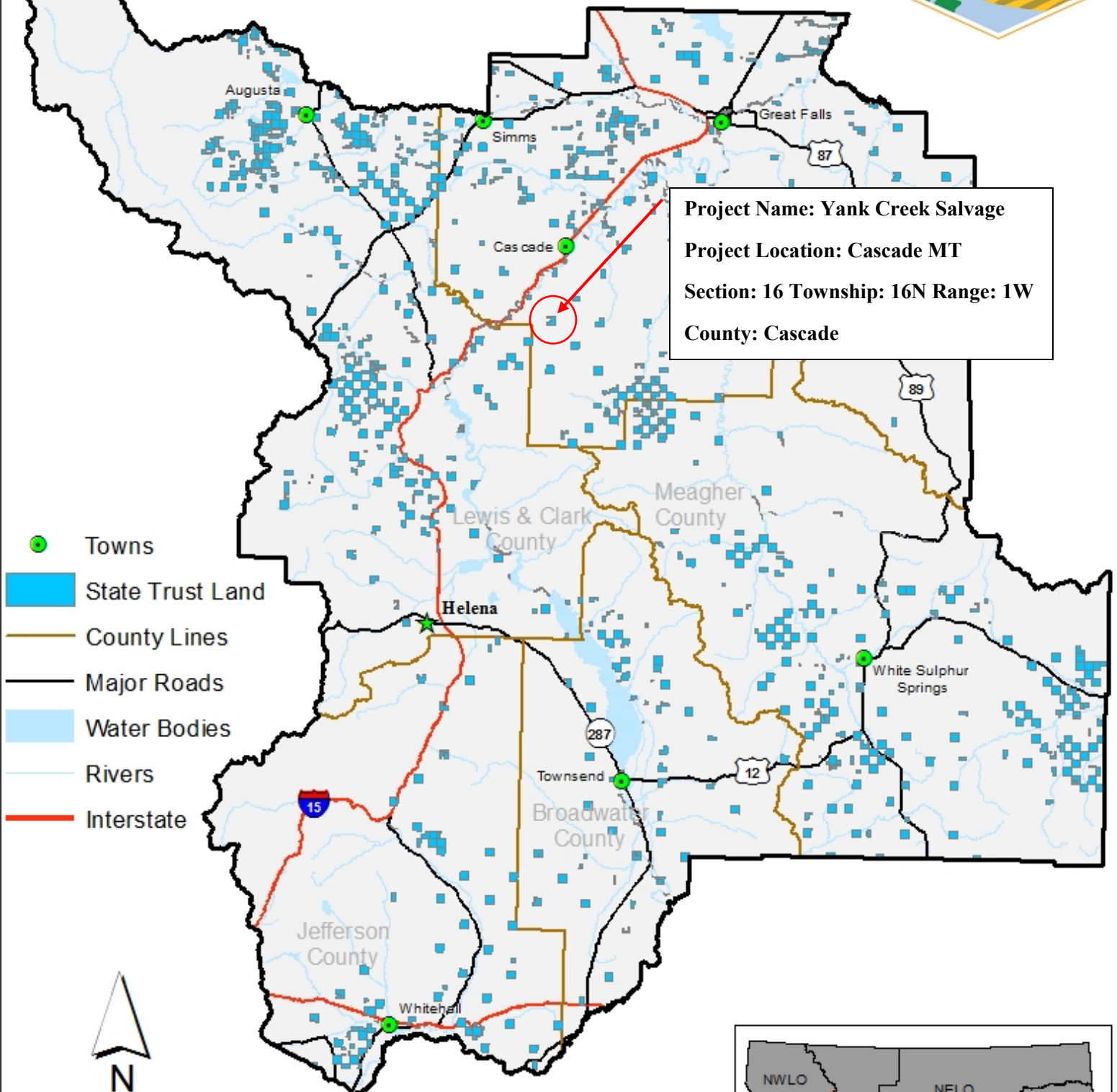
The Montana DNRC invites written comments and suggestions concerning this proposal. Please respond by **October 8th, 2021** to:

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# State Trust Land Vicinity Map Helena Unit

YANK CREEK SALVAGE VICINITY



**Project Name:** Yank Creek Salvage  
**Project Location:** Cascade MT  
**Section:** 16 **Township:** 16N **Range:** 1W  
**County:** Cascade

- Towns
- State Trust Land
- County Lines
- Major Roads
- Water Bodies
- Rivers
- Interstate



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