

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The **GNA Long Tom SYU Permit** timber sale is located within sections 6 of T1N – R10W & 01 of T1N – R11W on the Beaverhead Deerlodge National Forest. Approximately 3,038 tons, consisting of mixed conifer sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **Friday, August 7th, 2026, at 2:00 pm**. Bids may be hand delivered or mailed and will be accepted any time prior to the bid opening. **DNRC recommends that bidders contact the Forestry 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 **\$218.00** 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. 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, Forestry Division, in Missoula (406-542-4300).

Visit our website for upcoming sales and bid results.

<https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Forest-Products/timber-sales>

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS
STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: GNA Long Tom SYU Permit			
For specific sale information, contact:			
Phone	307-343-3803	Forester Eric Lewis	Dillon Unit
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Missoula DNRC Main Office	GNA Bureau

General Bidding Information

1. Bids must be submitted on Department of Natural Resources & Conservation (State) bid forms.
2. Timber will be sold to the highest responsible bidder; however, the State reserves the right to reject any or all bids.
3. The State recommends that bidders contact the Good Neighbor Authority Bureau, Forestry Division (406-542-4300) prior to the bid opening to ensure that your bid has been received.
4. A **Bid Deposit** 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 State within 30 days of notification of sale award. The bond amount will be, at a minimum, 20% of the total bid value of the sale. The performance bond may be 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 Timber 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 cover six weeks of harvesting and be based on the expected harvest rate and the bid value of the stumpage. The advance stumpage payment may be cash, irrevocable letter of credit, payment bond or certificate of deposit.
7. 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 otherwise 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.
8. The State has estimated the net scale merchantable sawlog volume to be sold 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 State 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 State strongly recommends that bidders evaluate these effects before bidding.
9. The State 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 State strongly recommends that bidders make their own estimates based on Contract requirements. Cost estimates provided are not guaranteed.
10. 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.
11. Estimates for sale volume, species percents, defect, product class, etc. provided in this prospectus and volume estimates listed in the Timber Sale Contract are not guaranteed.
12. 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. This timber sale is a State of Montana Timber Sale on Forest Service Land and is being performed under the Good Neighbor Authority. Potential Purchasers should be aware that this is a partnership, between the Montana DNRC and the US Forest Service, to increase the pace and Scale of forest restoration on National Forest System Lands. Considering Good Neighbor Authority is a high priority of both agencies, and it has a high degree of public interest, the purchaser should expect increased DNRC, Forest Service, and public attention on this timber sale. The DNRC and Forest Service may wish to have public or media tours of this timber sale and we will encourage active involvement by the timber sale purchaser and their contractors.
2. Under the Good Neighbor Authority all NEPA mitigations and Forest Plan requirements must be adhered to. Specific mitigations to do so are written into the contract. The DNRC encourages potential purchasers to familiarize themselves with these mitigations prior to bidding.
3. This timber sale is located within the Montana Tri-Forest Federal Sustained-Yield Unit. The Purchaser must comply with all the requirements of the Tri-Forest Federal Sustained Yield Unit Management Plan. Refer to Attachment G of the Timber Sale contract, and the Management Plan information posted at <https://www.fs.usda.gov/r01/helena-lewis-clark/forest-products/montana-tri-forest-federal-sustained-yield-unit>
4. **IMPORTANT:** This sale is adjacent to the BLM Jerry Creek Timber Sale and shares the same haul route from the intersection with Jerry Creek Road and Hwy 43 to the gate at mile marker 0.00 on FSR 2520. The Long Tom Timber Sale Purchaser will be responsible for coordinating with the Jerry Creek Purchaser to complete additional road work requirements along the shared haul route. The specific agreement will be worked out between the Purchasers but may include in-kind work or monetary contributions. The State will provide Purchaser contact information but will not facilitate any road use agreements.
5. After the cruise was completed, there was a wind event that affected the sale. It is likely that there are additional downed trees and that volume estimates may have been affected due to breakage. The minimum bid price has been set to account for the additional defect/breakage. The Purchaser is required to yard, process and haul all standing and downed products according to contract specifications.
6. An optional pre-bid tour of the sale area will be held on **Tuesday July 21st, 2026, at 9:00am**. Potential bidders will meet at the Jerry Creek Fishing Access Site on Highway 43. Please RSVP to Eric Lewis at (307) 343-3803 or eric.lewis@mt.gov by noon on Monday, July 20. If no one responds by this date the field tour will be cancelled.
7. The Sale is approximately 2.5 miles beyond a locked gate. The gate must always remain locked except during active hauling.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

GNA Long Tom SYU												
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All All)												
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	WH	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton												
Pounds per cubic foot				56.0							40.0	
Estimated CF				43764.8							66412.0	110,177 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material				5024.6							24211.0	29,236 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs				1164							1262	2,426 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material				134							478	612 tons
Gross MBF				148							242	390 MBF
% Cull and Breakage				5.0							5.0	5.0%
Net MBF				141							230	371 MBF
Average logs per MBF				38.6							35.7	36.7 logs/MBF
Average DBH				7.1							9.0	8.7 in.
Average tons to cut per acre	_____											71 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre	_____											11.1 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut	_____											450
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	304 and 577 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises											30.9%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	2,426 estimated tons / 371 Net MBF											6.54 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract Termination Date:	10/14/2028
Operating Period:	Annually between May 16 and October 14

Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	600 ft.

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$0
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$0.00/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$5,000

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Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	62.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	10.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$0.00/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$0.00/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$0.00
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$2,500.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$1.03/ton

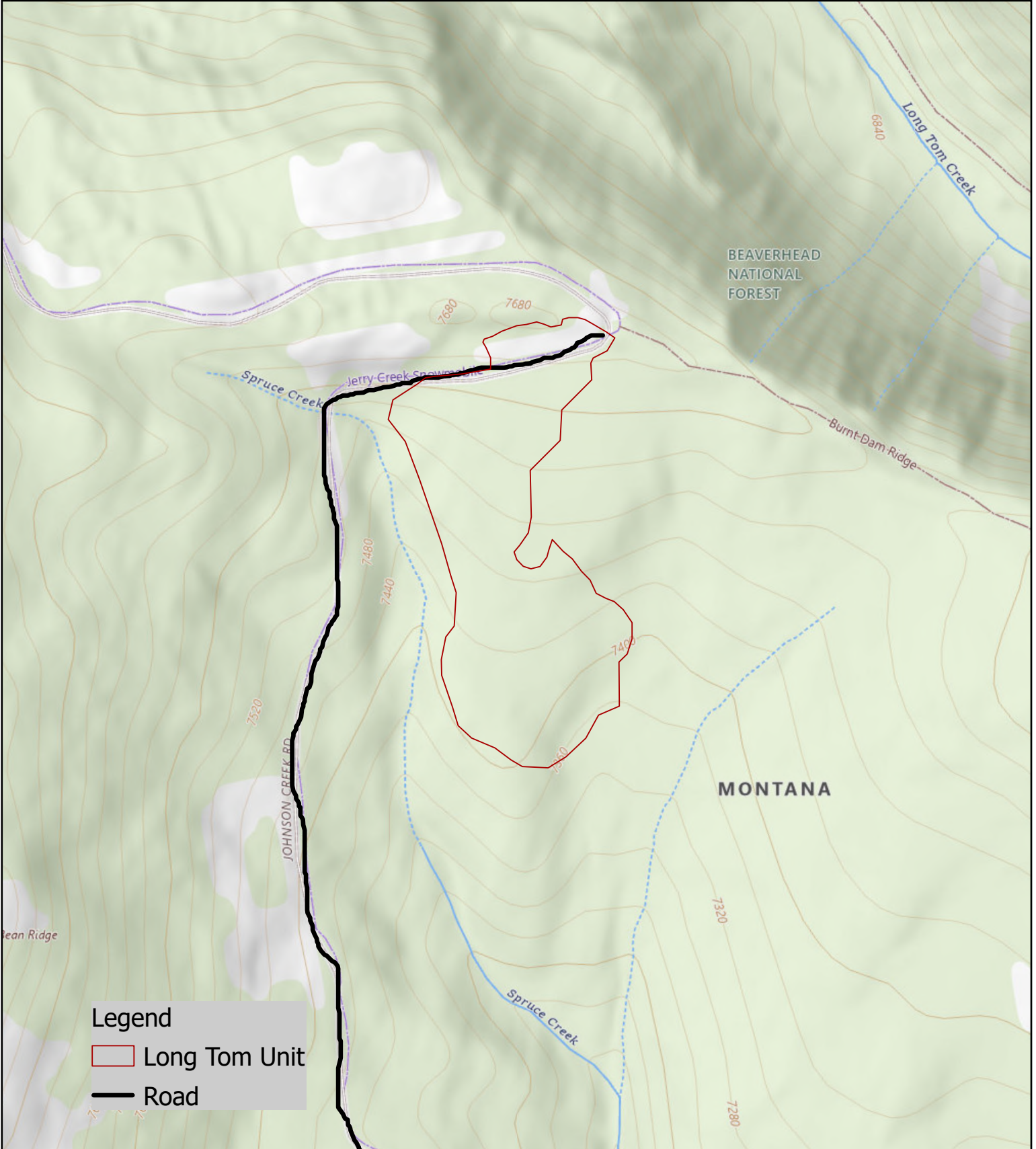
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$2.06/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.0 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	2.5 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
1	39.56	2426	371	
	40 Ac.	2,426 tons	371 MBF	



GNA Long Tom SYU Sale Map

Attachment A-1



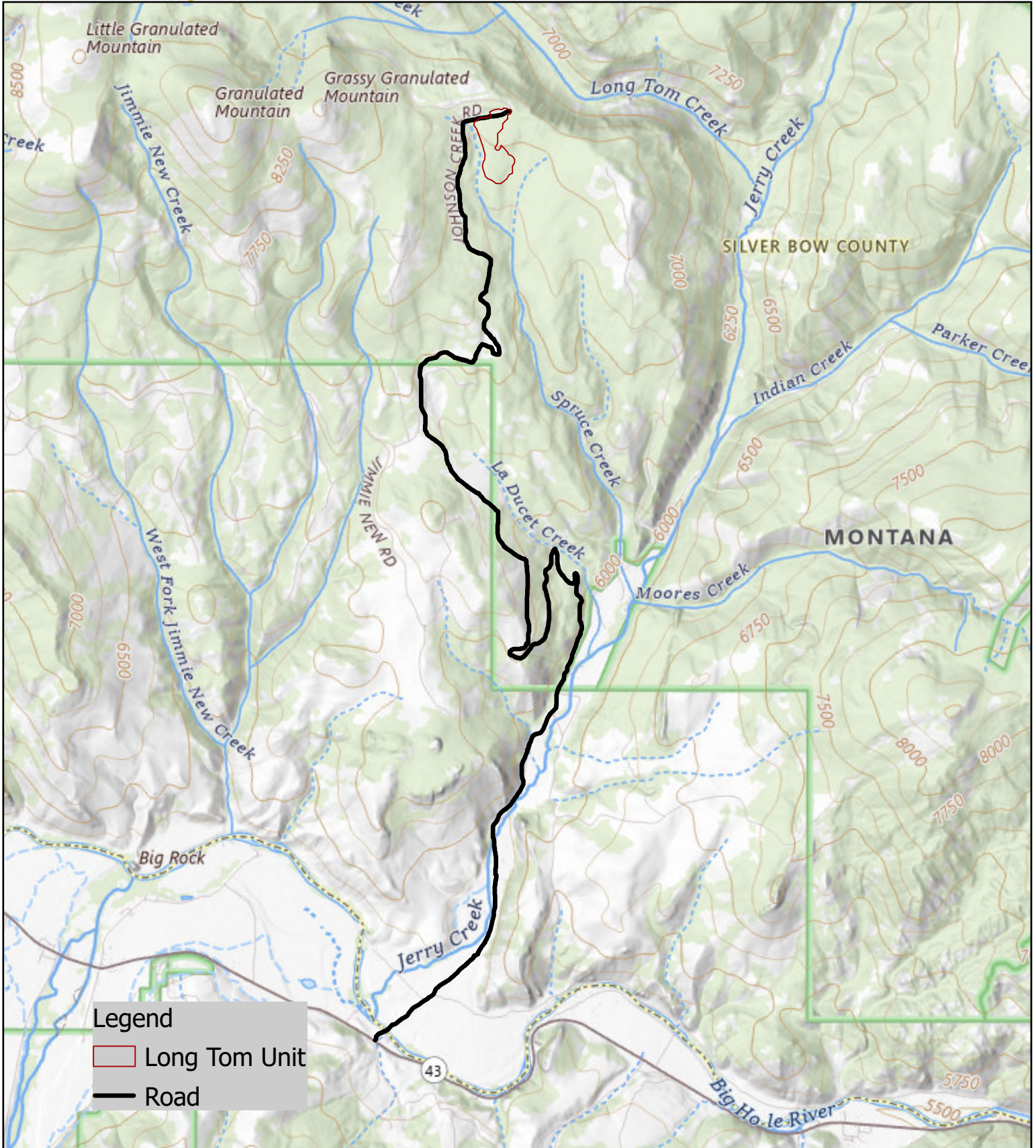
Legend

- Long Tom Unit
- Road



GNA Long Tom SYU Haul Map

Attachment A-2



Legend

- Long Tom Unit
- Road

