## THE MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

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## Initial Proposal Davis Mountain Timber Sale April 22, 2025

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

## Section 36, T27N, R28W

The Davis Mountain Timber Sale is located approximately 30 air miles southeast of Libby, Montana near Happy's Inn.

The primary objectives of the proposed project are to:

- Promote a healthy, productive forest and return the area to more historic forest conditions
- Reduce fuel loading and increase the stand's fire resiliency
- Generate revenue for the Common School Trust.

The proposed project would harvest approximately 2 million board feet of timber from approximately 570 acres using individual tree selection, and commercial thinning prescriptions. The proposed harvest would contribute to the DNRC's sustained yield as mandated by state statute 77-5-222.

Maintenance and improvements would occur on approximately 5.5 miles of existing road.

Noxious weed management, pile burning, and site preparation activities may occur after harvest operations are completed.

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 May 22, 2025, to:

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