

## NOTICE OF SALE

### Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Llama Tracks Timber Sale is located within Sections 17, 18 and 20 of T24N-R17W on the State's Swan Unit. Approximately 7,000 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 **September 19, 2024 at 2:00 p.m.** Bids may be hand delivered or mailed and will be accepted any time prior to the bid opening. DNRC recommends that bidders contact the Trust Land Management 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 \$8,396.00**, 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, Trust Land Management Division, in Missoula (406-542-4300).

Visit our website at <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/trust/forest-management/timber-sale-information> for upcoming sales and bid results.

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

<b>Timber Sale Name: Llama Tracks</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-837- 8107	Josh Reed	Swan Unit Office
<b>For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2240		Northwestern Land Office

**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 Forest Management Bureau, Trust Land Management 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. At rates specified in the Contract, the purchaser will pay **Forest Improvement Fees** on all sawlog volume. All applicable **Road Use and/or Maintenance fees** will also be paid by the Purchaser in addition to stumpage payments.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. 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. The Llama Tracks Timber Sale consists of four units (202 acres).**

- a. 17-15 (128.5 acres, ground based yarding 602 MBF)
- b. 18-29 (23.2 acres, ground based yarding 240 MBF)
- c. 18-30 (34.6 acres, ground based yarding 142 MBF)
- d. 18-31 (15.9 acres, ground based yarding 145 MBF)

### **2. The Llama Tracks Timber Sale Road package includes:**

- a. Approximately 3 miles of road maintenance including drain feature construction and repair, grass seeding, weed spraying, BMP improvements and initial, intermediate, and final blading.

### **3. Access/Directions**

- a. The Llama Tracks Timber Sale is located in Sections 17, 18 and 20, T24N, R17W, approx. 5 miles southeast of Swan Lake, MT.
- b. To access the southern portion of unit 17-15 drive east on Soup Creek Road for 0.5 miles off Highway 83 South between mile marker 64 and 65. The southeastern portion of Unit 17-15 will be located on the north side of the road. To access the northeastern portion of 17-15, at the 0.8-mile marker is the junction with Graves Meadow Road. Take the Graves Meadow Road approximately 0.7 miles staying to the left. The unit will be located on the west side of the road. To access the northwestern portion of unit 17-15, use State Meadows Road off Highway 83 South at mile marker 65. Take State Meadows Road approximately 0.9 miles. The unit will be on the south side of the roadway.
- c. To access unit 18-29 drive east on Spur 18-29 off of Highway 83 South which is between mile marker 65 and 66. There is an earth berm within a few hundred feet of the highway. Unit 18-29 is on the east side of the highway between mile marker 65.5 to mile marker 65. Spur 18-29 will access the middle of the unit.
- d. To access unit 18-30 drive east on State Meadows Road off Highway 83 South around mile marker 65. Follow the road approximately a ¼ of a mile and the road will go through unit 18-30 for another ¼ mile.
- e. To access unit 18-31 drive east on Soup Creek Road. Unit 18-31 goes from the highway junction to approximately a ¼ mile up the Soup Creek Road. The unit is on the northern and southern side of Soup Creek.
- f. See attached sale map with Notice of Sale.
- g. Gate keys are required to access State Meadows and Graves Meadow Road. Keys are available at the Swan River State Forest Office (34925 MT HWY 83, Swan Lake MT. 59911).

### **4. Harvest Operational Period**

- a. OPERATING PERIOD: November 16, 2024 through March 30, 2025; November 16, 2025 through March 30, 2026; November 16, 2026 through March 30, 2027. As weather provides favorable conditions for the work to be completed. When Hauling Restrictions in Section VII.N. of the timber sale contract apply

### **5. Road Construction/Maintenance Operational Period**

- a. OPERATING PERIOD: Award Date through March 30, 2025; June 16, 2025 through March 30, 2026; June 16, 2026 through March 30, 2027; June 16, 2027 through September 1, 2027 and when Hauling Restrictions in Section VII.N. of the timber sale contract apply.

**Timber Sale Information Sheet**  
 Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Llama Tracks												
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All   All   Cut)												
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	WH	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton												\$23.99
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0	60.0	44.0	55.0				
Estimated tons of sawlogs		888	2555	1641	1256	223	61	377				7,000 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		19	49	45	29	8	0	15				165 tons
Gross MBF		138	557	277	215	76	31	97				1,392 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		10.7	16.7	10.1	11.1	57.4	55.1	43.3				18.9%
Net MBF		123	464	249	191	32	14	55				1,129 MBF
Average logs per MBF		22.4	16.6	26.1	23.8	37.4	16.1	43.0				22.4 logs/MBF
Average DBH		11.4	12.3	10.7	11.3	11.7	27.2	10.0				11.4 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												35 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre												5.6 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut												77
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between						954 and 1,305 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises						15.5%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet						7,000 estimated tons / 1,129 Net MBF						6.20 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	September 30, 2027	
Operating Period:	November 16, 2024 - March 30, 2025; November 16, 2025 - March 30, 2026; November 16, 2026 - March 30, 2027	

Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	11%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	500 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	50.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	2.0 miles

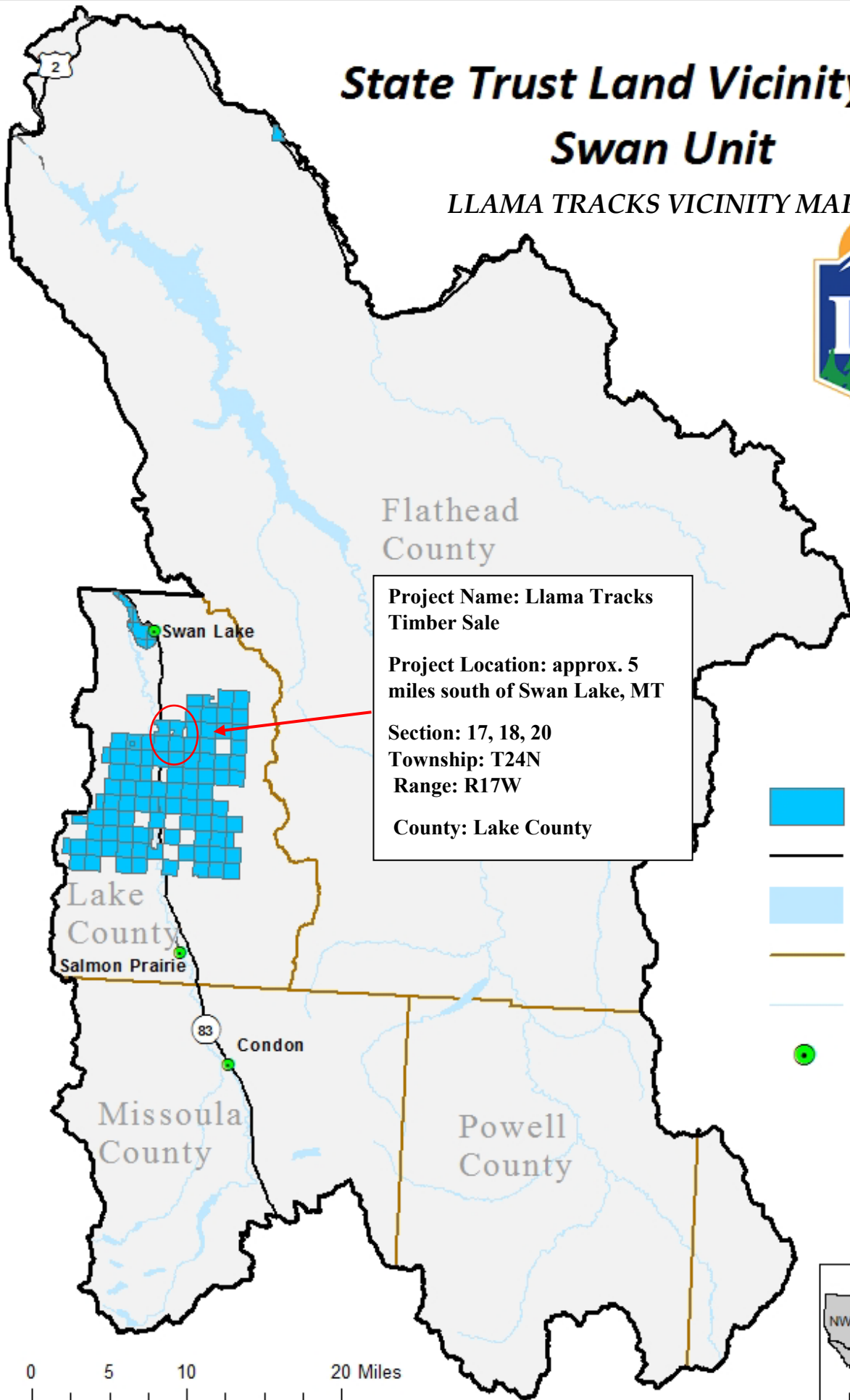
Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$5,924
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$0.85/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$5.25/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$5,914
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.84/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	3.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$26.60/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$4.29/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$30,030.00
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$5,005.00
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$1,500.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.21/ton

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
17-15	128.47	3731	602	March 30, 2027
18-29	23.15	1486	240	March 30, 2027
18-30	34.55	883	142	March 30, 2027
18-31	15.94	899	145	March 30, 2027
	202 Ac.	7,000 tons	1,129 MBF	

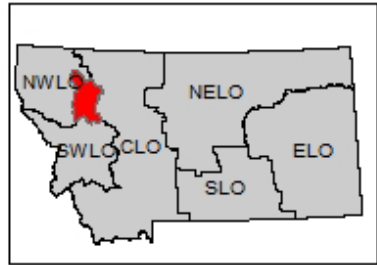
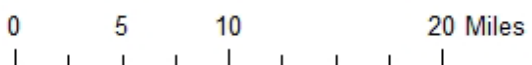
# State Trust Land Vicinity Map Swan Unit

LLAMA TRACKS VICINITY MAP

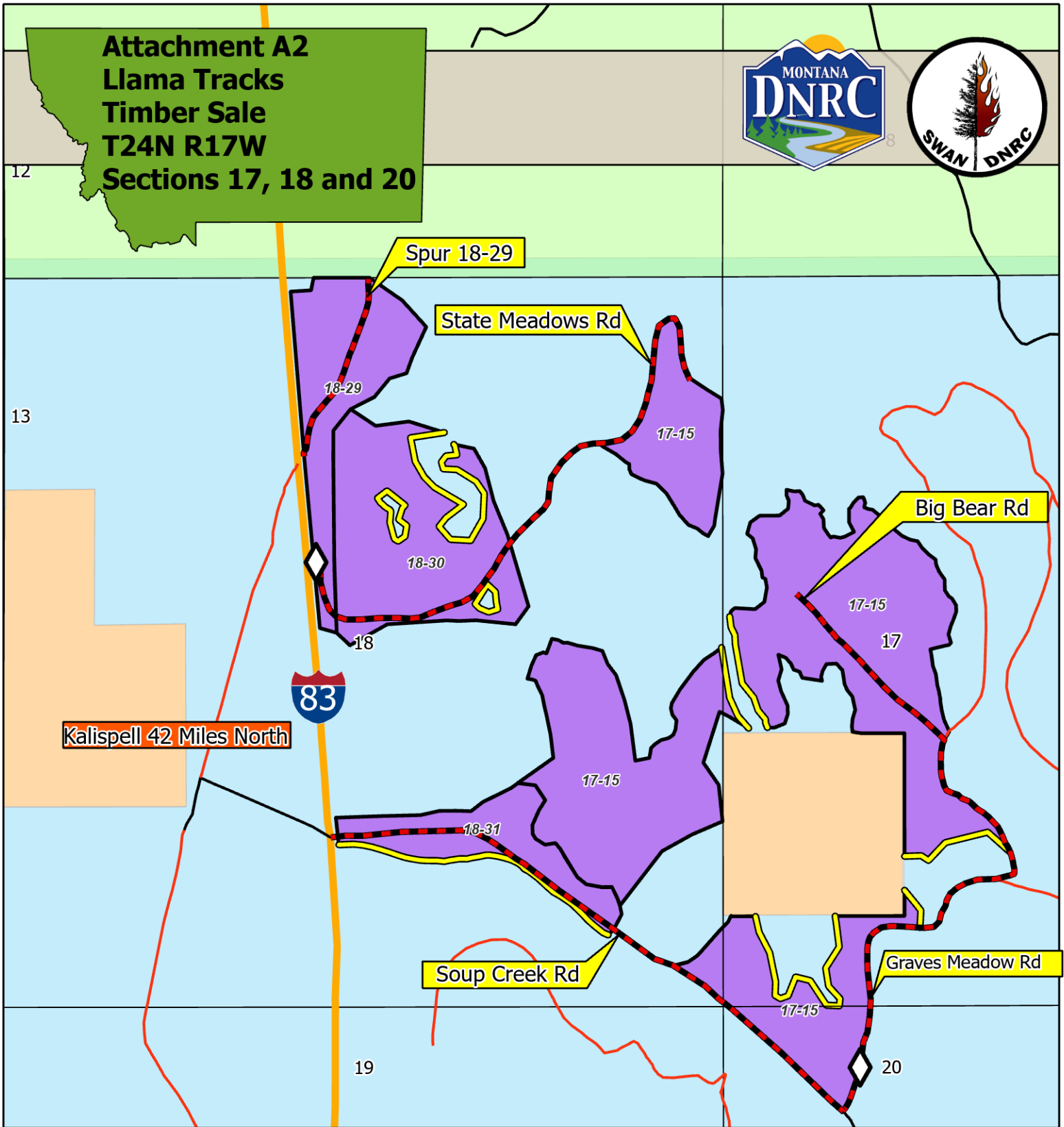


**Project Name:** Llama Tracks Timber Sale  
**Project Location:** approx. 5 miles south of Swan Lake, MT  
**Section:** 17, 18, 20  
**Township:** T24N  
**Range:** R17W  
**County:** Lake County

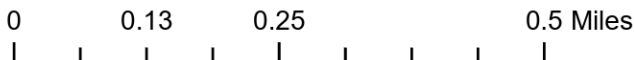
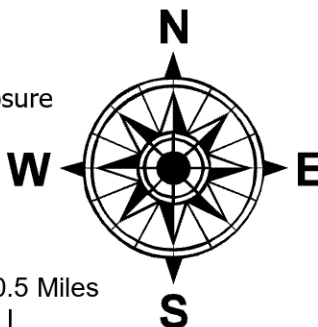
- State Trust Land
- Major Roads
- Water Bodies
- County Lines
- Rivers
- Towns



**Attachment A2  
Llama Tracks  
Timber Sale  
T24N R17W  
Sections 17, 18 and 20**



- Cutting Units
- MT DNRC
- Private
- USFS
- Gate
- HIGHWAY
- OPEN
- Restricted Closure Class A
- Hydro
- SMZ
- Haul Route



Unit	Rx	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF
17-15	Individual Tree Selection	128.5	3,730.9	601.9
18-29	Seed Tree	23.2	1486.1	239.8
18-30	Commercial Thin	34.6	883.2	142.5
18-31	Commercial Thin	15.9	899.6	145.1