



**Project Notification  
Dern Draw Blowdown Timber Permit  
5/29/2026**

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

**Section 36, T29N R23W**

The Dern Draw Blowdown timber permit is located approximately 7 air miles northwest of Kalispell, MT.

The purpose of this project is to generate revenue for the Trust beneficiaries by salvaging blown down and wind damaged timber before it loses economic value as directed in MCA 77-5-207.

Approximately 476 acres will be treated under this permit, and approximately 1800 tons/ 350 MBF will be harvested. Timber harvest activities would salvage blowdown and wind damaged trees from the December 2025 wind event. The proposed harvest would contribute to the DNRC's sustained yield as mandated by state statute 77-5-222.

The DNRC, Trust Land Management Division, adopted categorical exclusions for certain forest management activities conducted on state forested trust lands (ARM 36.11.447). "Categorical Exclusion" refers to a type of action that does not individually, collectively, or cumulatively require an EA or EIS, pursuant to MEPA (MCA 75-1-101 through 324) and DNRC Administrative Procedures for MEPA (ARM 36.2.521 through 543), unless extraordinary circumstances occur (ARM 36.2.522(5)).

Approximately 5.5 miles of existing road would be used and maintained for the duration of this project.

Noxious weed management and pile burning may occur after salvage harvest operations are completed.

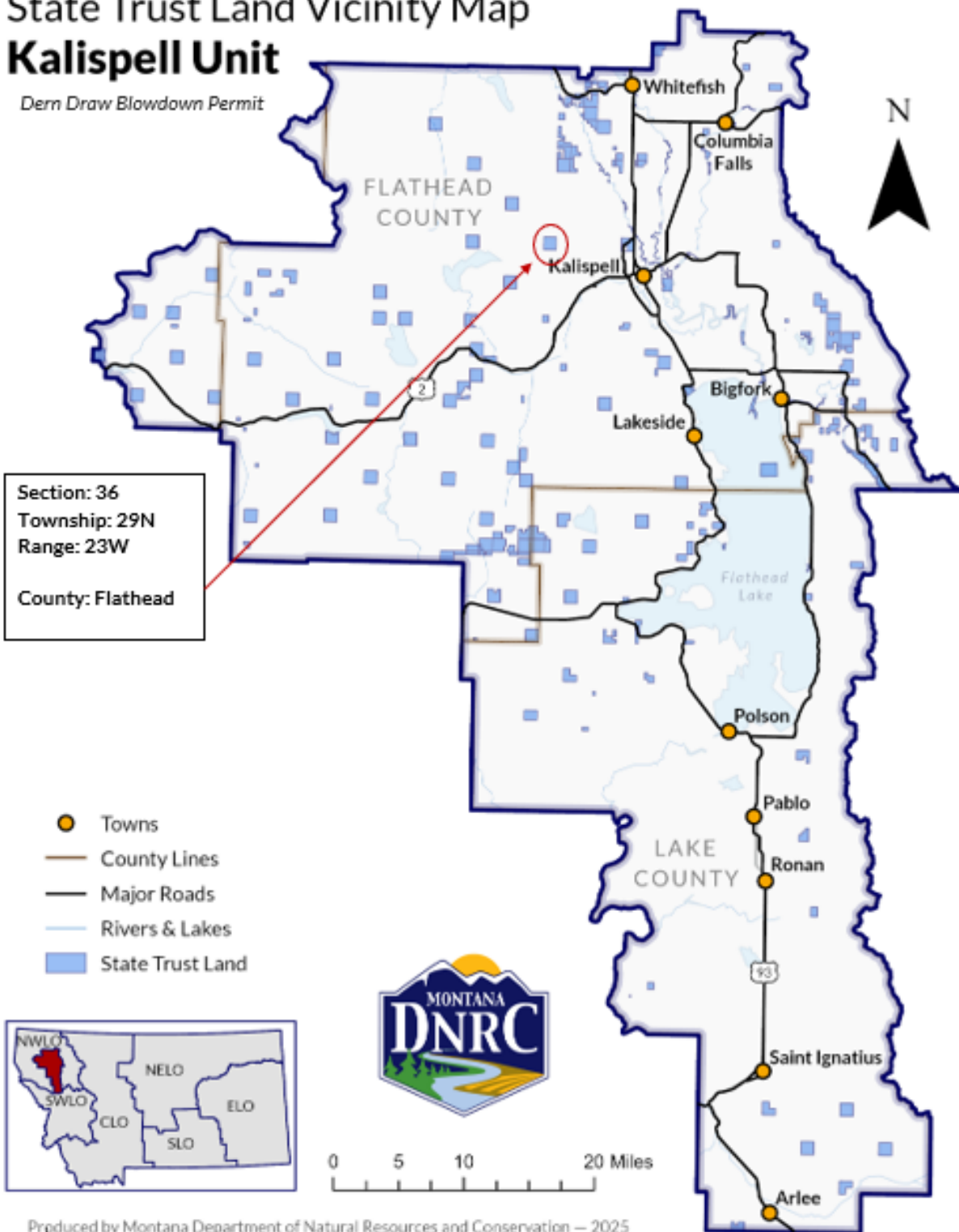
In preparation for this project, specialists such as wildlife biologists, hydrologists, soil scientists, and archeologists will be consulted.

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# State Trust Land Vicinity Map Kalispell Unit

*Dem Draw Blowdown Permit*



Section: 36  
Township: 29N  
Range: 23W  
County: Flathead

- Towns
- County Lines
- Major Roads
- Rivers & Lakes
- State Trust Land



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