



Project Notification
Missoula East Blowdown Salvage Timber Permits
02/19/2026

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

Bonita Blowdown – T12N R15W Sec. 16
Hi Point – T12N R16W Sec.16

Bonita Blowdown:

Located approximately 10 aerial miles East from the town of Clinton, MT. The project is located within the Cramer Creek drainage. The project will harvest approximately 90 MBF from within the 135-acre project area using a combination of salvage and individual tree selection silvicultural prescriptions. Road maintenance may include up to 1 mile of existing roads.

Hi Point:

Located approximately 4.5 aerial miles Northeast of the town of Clinton, MT. The project will harvest approximately 200 MBF across the 199-acre project area. Silvicultural prescriptions to accomplish the project will include salvage and individual tree selection. Road maintenance may include up to 2 miles of existing roads.

The primary objectives for the project are:

- Generate revenue for the Common Schools Trust.
- Salvage windthrown timber (blowdown) from the last major wind event to impact the area.
- Improve the health and vigor of forested stands by reducing basal area, targeting low vigor, diseased, and poor form Douglas-fir for removal.
- Reduce fuel loading

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)).

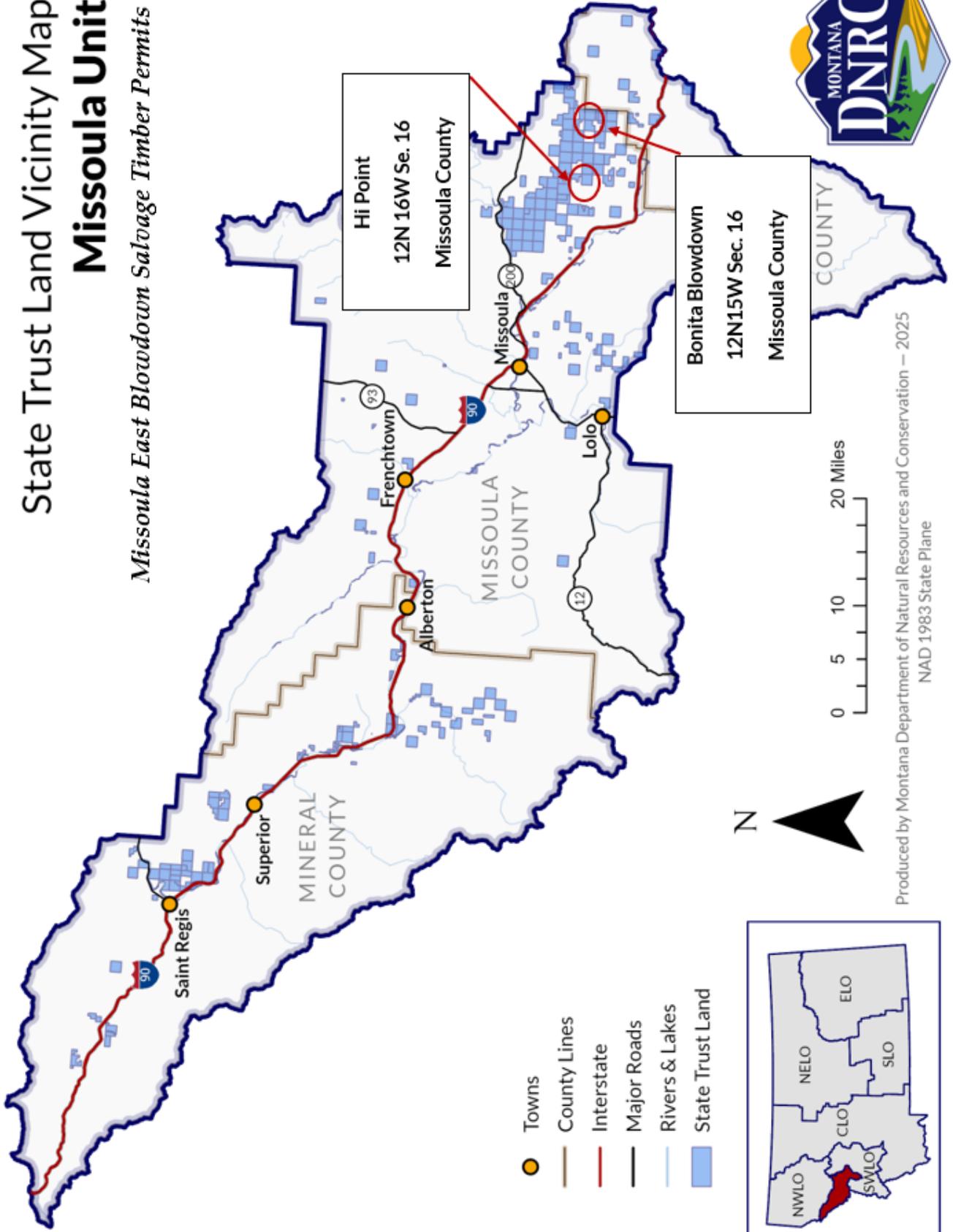
In preparation for this project, specialists such as wildlife biologists, hydrologists, soil scientists, and archeologists will be consulted.

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State Trust Land Vicinity Map Missoula Unit

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