



Project Notification
Muddy Partridge Blowdown Salvage Timber Permit
4/16/2026

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

Sections 16 and 18, Township 25N, Range 26 W

The Muddy Partridge Blowdown Salvage project is located approximately 15 miles Northwest of Plains, MT on Little Thompson River Road.

The primary objective of the proposed project is to recover trees that have been blown down from a recent wind event.

This project will encompass 300 acres and yield an estimated 125-150 MBF. Treatment will be focused on the recovery of logs from downed trees as well as root pulled trees. 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)).

There will be no road work associated with this permit. Roads will be monitored, and maintenance will be completed as needed to meet Montana BMPs. The area will be monitored for noxious weeds and treated as needed.

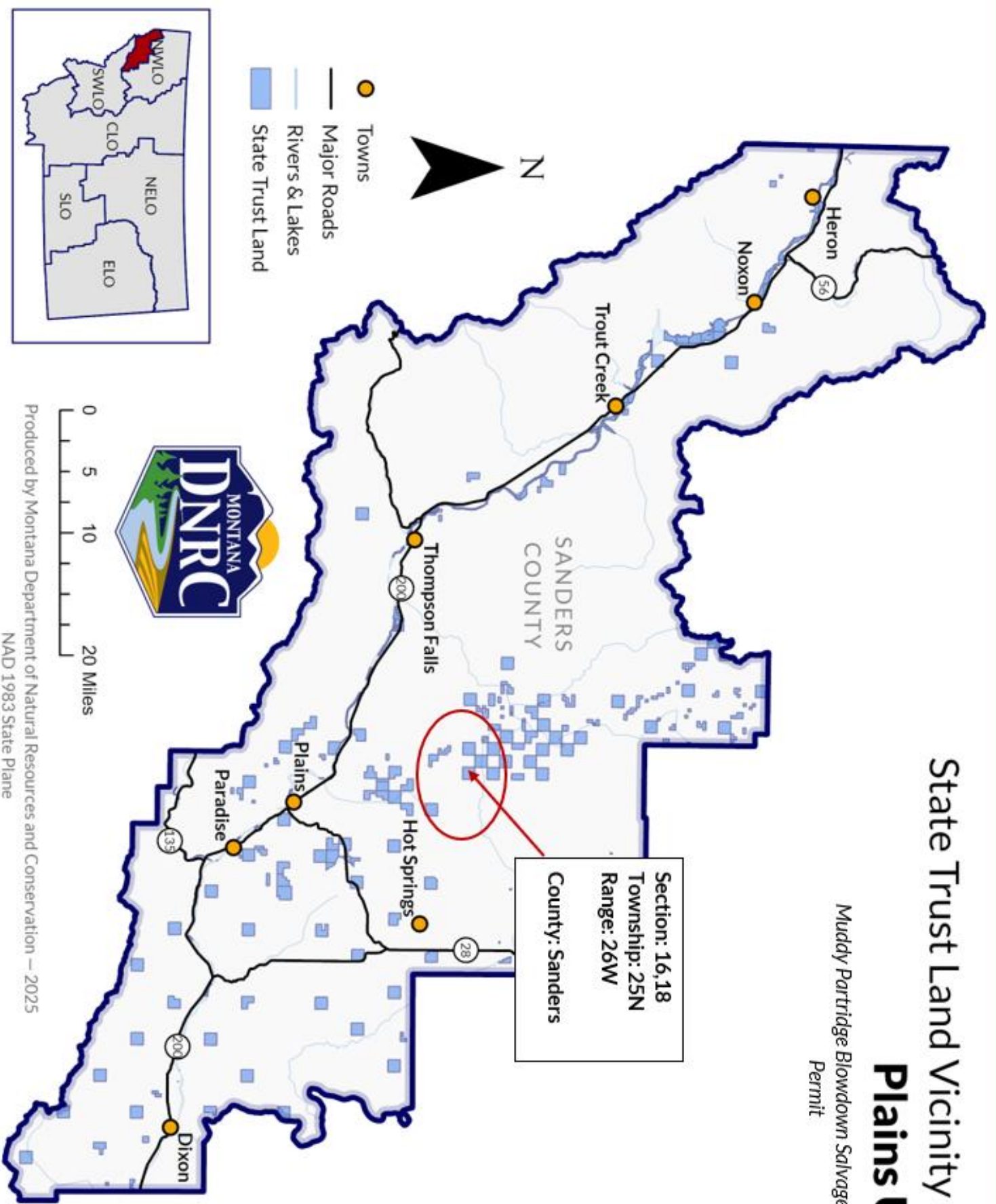
In preparation for this project, specialists such as wildlife biologists, hydrologists, soil scientists, and archeologists will be consulted.

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State Trust Land Vicinity Map Plains Unit

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