



**Initial Proposal  
Spring Creek Timber Sale  
01/14/2026**

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

**S8 T23N R30W**

Spring Creek Timber Sale is located approximately 14 miles northwest of Thompson Falls, Montana in Sanders County.

The primary objectives of the proposed project are:

- Generate revenue for the School for Deaf and Blind Trust.
- Improve stand health and vigor by thinning overstory and removing dead and dying trees.
- Reduce fuel loading and related risk of wildfire.

Rocky Swamp would harvest approximately 2.5 MMBF from 315 acres. The project would use a individual tree selection prescriptions. The proposed harvest would contribute to the DNRC's sustained yield as mandated by state statue 77-5-222.

The sale would require new temp and/or reconstruction of roads and would include some minor improvements on existing roads.

Noxious weed management, pile burning, and scarification may also occur under the proposed action.

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.

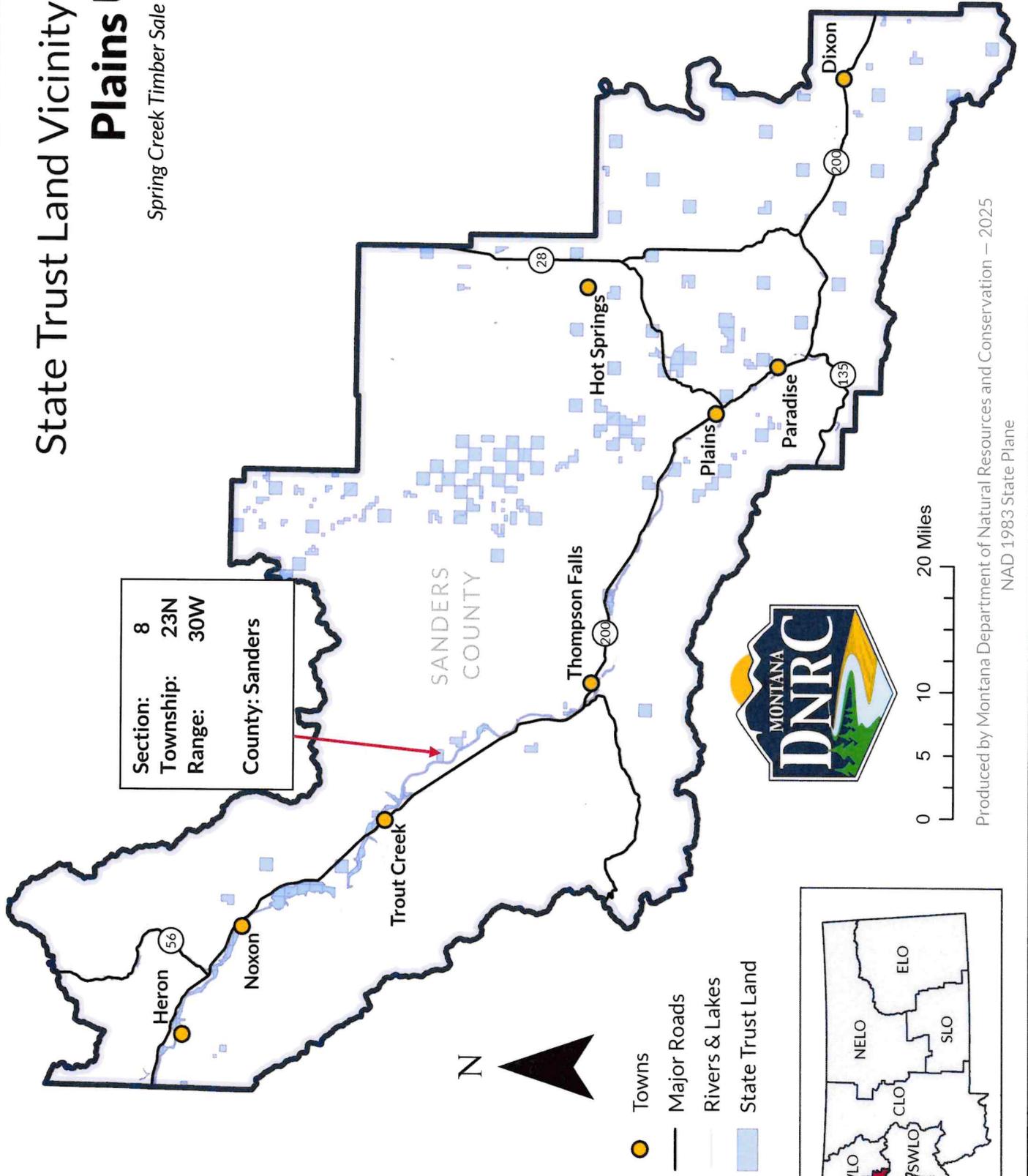
The Montana DNRC invites written comments and suggestions concerning this proposal. Please respond by February 20<sup>th</sup> 2026 to:

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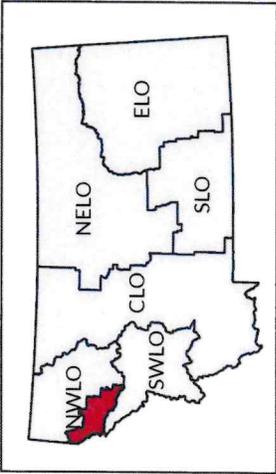
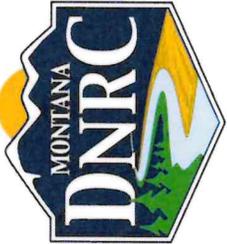


# State Trust Land Vicinity Map Plains Unit

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Section: 8  
Township: 23N  
Range: 30W  
County: Sanders



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