

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Weeksville Timber Sale is located within Sections 36, T21N-R27W, on the State's Plains Unit. Approximately 10,005 tons, consisting of mixed conifers, primarily Ponderosa Pine and Douglas-fir sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **August 13, 2026 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 \$5,756.00**, 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. Award of the timber sale is conditional upon approval of the timber sale by the State Board of Land Commissioners at their July 20, 2026, meeting. 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 <https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Forest-Products/timber-sales> for upcoming sales and bid results.

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

Timber Sale Name: Weeksville			
For specific sale information, contact: Nate Weaver			
Phone	406-826-4722	Unit Office Plains	
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406- 751-2251	Northwest	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:

- A. The sale is located 7 miles west of Plains Montana, 0.5 miles up Weeksville Creek Road.
- B. Multiple gates throughout sale, for keys call **Nate Weaver, (406) 826-4722**
- C. Required work includes road abandonment of a road (W-7) and the closure by ripping and slashing the west approach an illegal ford on the bank of Weeksville Creek. The closure will not involve work within the Creek.
- D. Felling operations near open road(s) in Units 36-5 and 36-6 will require traffic control as described in Section VII.K.4. of the Contract.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Weeksville												
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												\$11.51
Pounds per cubic foot	55.8	55.5	52.5			54.0					40.0	
Estimated CF	187685.1	212617.7	19308.2			3026.0					0.0	422,637 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material	13670.3	19379.6	1093.3			1076.8					0.0	35,220 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs	4543	4982	444			36					0	10,005 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material	325	445	25			21					0	816 tons
Gross MBF	985	992	102			13					0	2,092 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	12.7	15.1	12.4			58.9					0.0	14.1%
Net MBF	860	842	90			5					0	1,797 MBF
Average logs per MBF	14.4	19.9	16.1			64.6					0.0	17.2 logs/MBF
Average DBH	15.2	14.3	16.0			9.8					0.0	14.7 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												50 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre												9.0 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut												62
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between			1,529 and 2,064 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									14.9%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	10,005 estimated tons / 1,797 Net MBF											5.57 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	July 1st, 2030	
Operating Period:	Units 36-1, 36-2, 36-3, 36-4; April 1st- November 30th, All Other Units: Year Round as Soil Conditions Allow	

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	06%
% of volume logged with tractors	75%
% of volume logged by skyline	25%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	400 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	200 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	13.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	3.5 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$26.60/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$4.78/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$ 47,824
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$ 7,971
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$34,212
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$3.42/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$19.04/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$5,180
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.52/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.7 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.1 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	11.7 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
Unit 36-1	30	964	173	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-2	11	295	53	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-3	14	350	63	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-4	12	741	133	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-5	20	948	170	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-6	11	630	113	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-7	39	2595	466	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-8	28	1898	341	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-9	29	1320	237	Nov. 30th, 2029
Unit 36-10	6	265	48	Nov. 30th, 2029
	200 Ac.	10,005 tons	1,797 MBF	

Attachment A-1

State Trust Land Vicinity Map

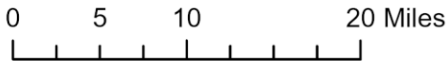
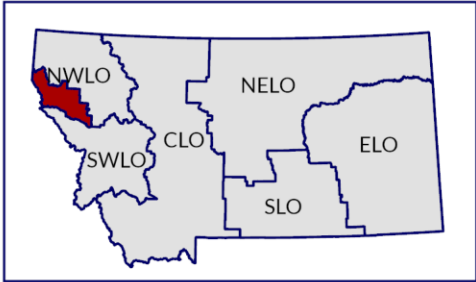
Plains Unit

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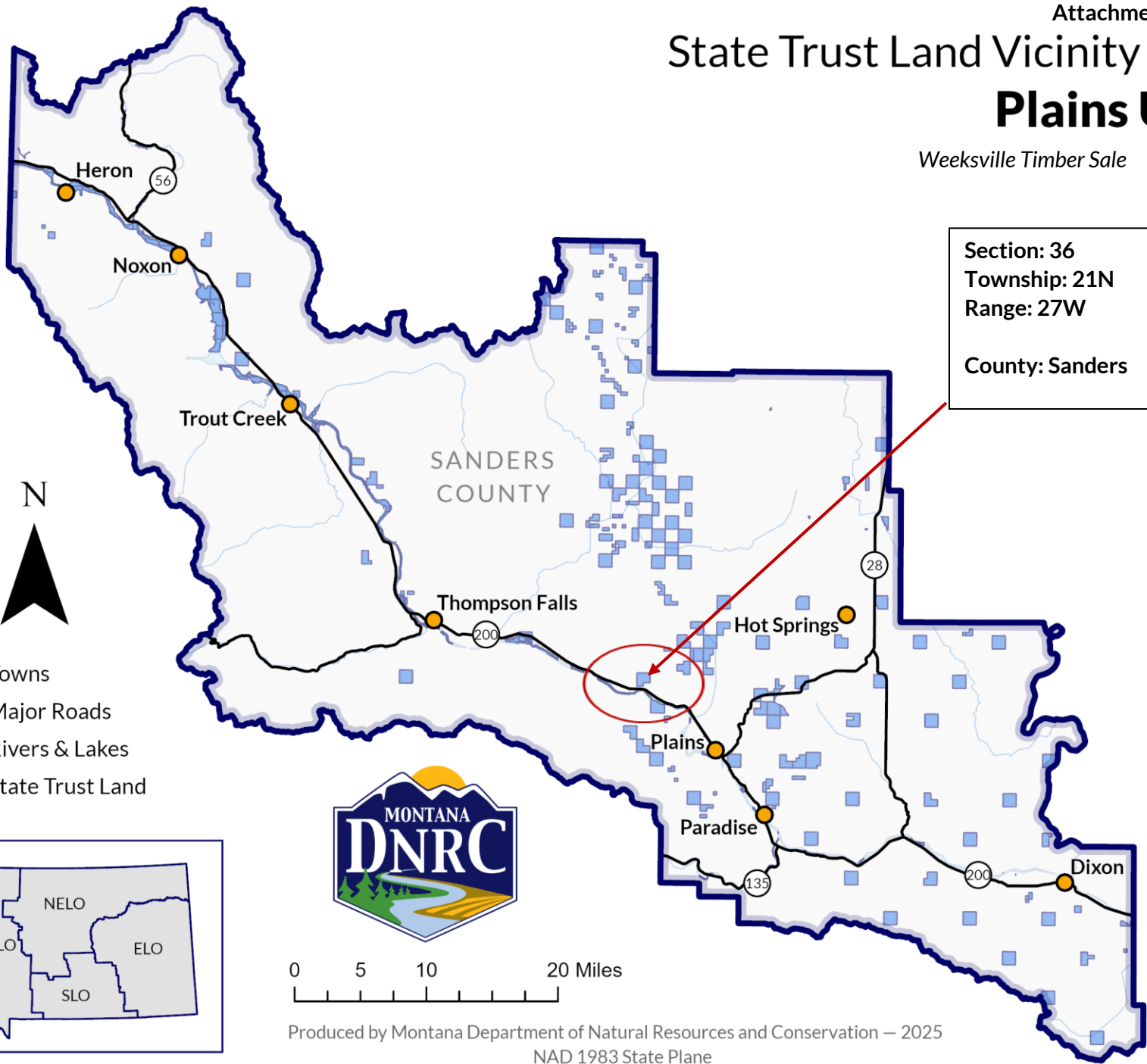
Section: 36
Township: 21N
Range: 27W

County: Sanders

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



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NAD 1983 State Plane



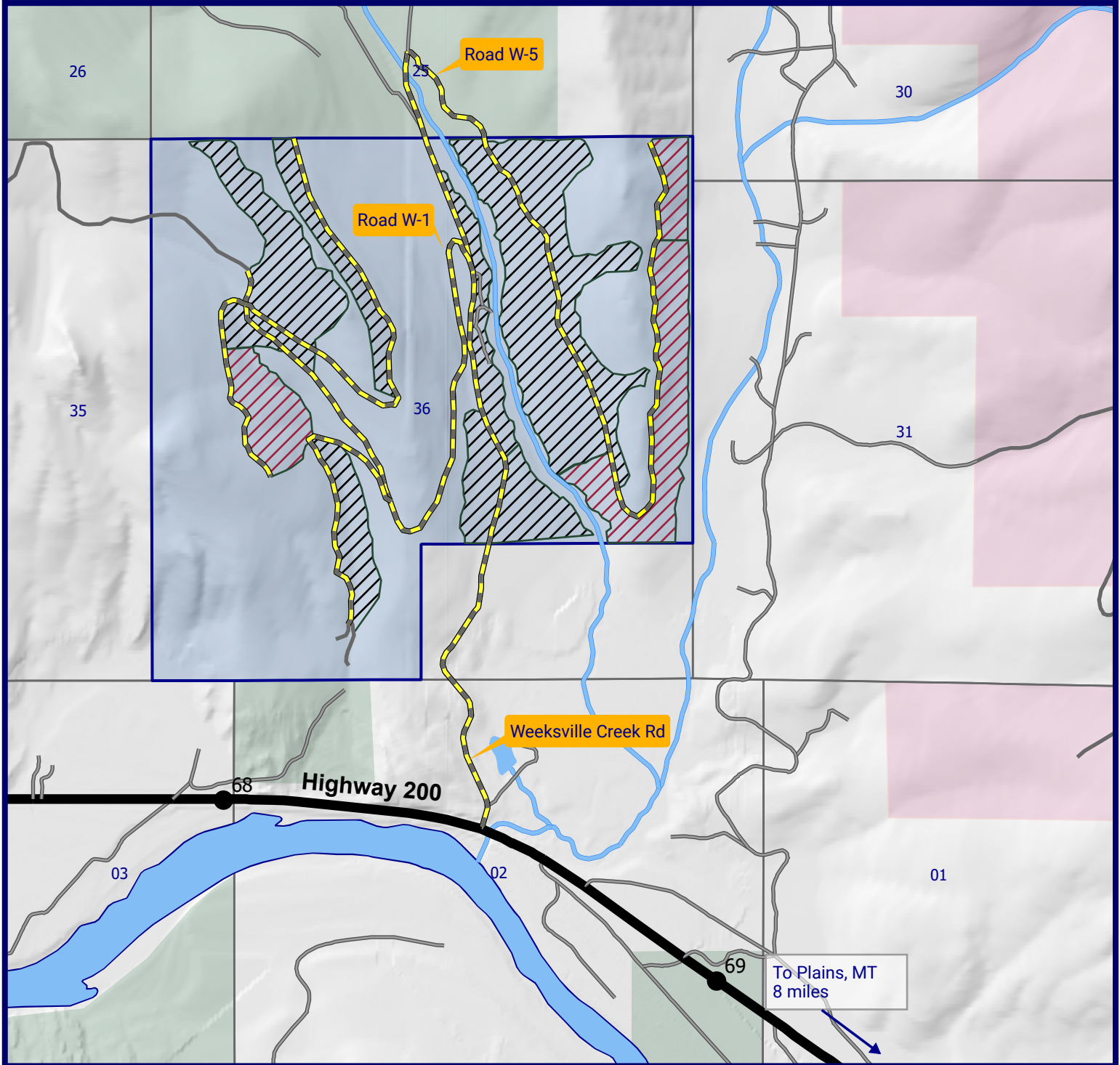


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Haul Map

Attachment A-2

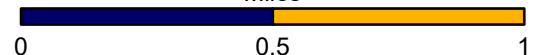
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Tractor Unit	Water	MT State Trust Lands
Cable Unit	Class 1 Stream	US Forest Service
Haul Route	Trust Lands Boundary	Industrial Timber Land
Mile Marker	Section	
Highway		



Miles



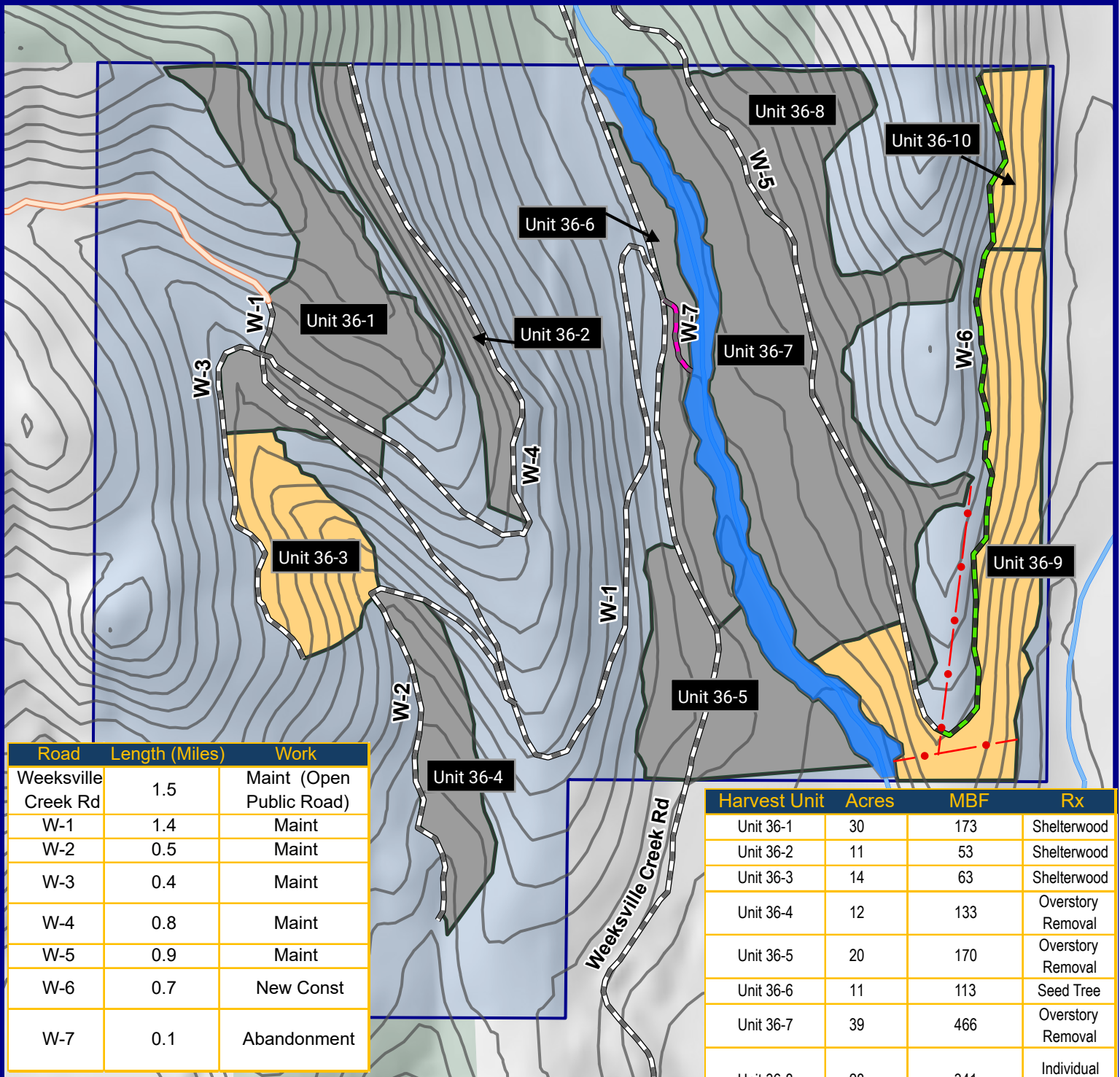


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Unit Map

Attachment A-3

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Road	Length (Miles)	Work
Weeksville Creek Rd	1.5	Maint (Open Public Road)
W-1	1.4	Maint
W-2	0.5	Maint
W-3	0.4	Maint
W-4	0.8	Maint
W-5	0.9	Maint
W-6	0.7	New Const
W-7	0.1	Abandonment

Harvest Unit	Acres	MBF	Rx
Unit 36-1	30	173	Shelterwood
Unit 36-2	11	53	Shelterwood
Unit 36-3	14	63	Shelterwood
Unit 36-4	12	133	Overstory Removal
Unit 36-5	20	170	Overstory Removal
Unit 36-6	11	113	Seed Tree
Unit 36-7	39	466	Overstory Removal
Unit 36-8	28	341	Individual Tree Selection
Unit 36-9	29	237	Individual Tree Selection
Unit 36-10	6	48	Individual Tree Selection

Harvest Units

- Cable Unit
- Tractor Unit

Roads

- New Construction
- Haul Route
- Abandonment

Road to Pvt Property

- SMZ
- Class 1 Stream
- Fence
- MT State Trust Lands
- US Forest Service



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Feet

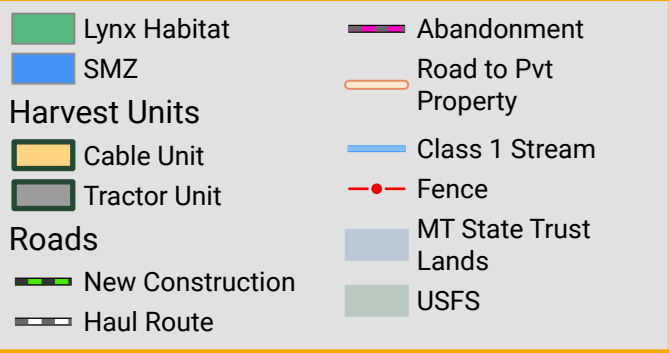
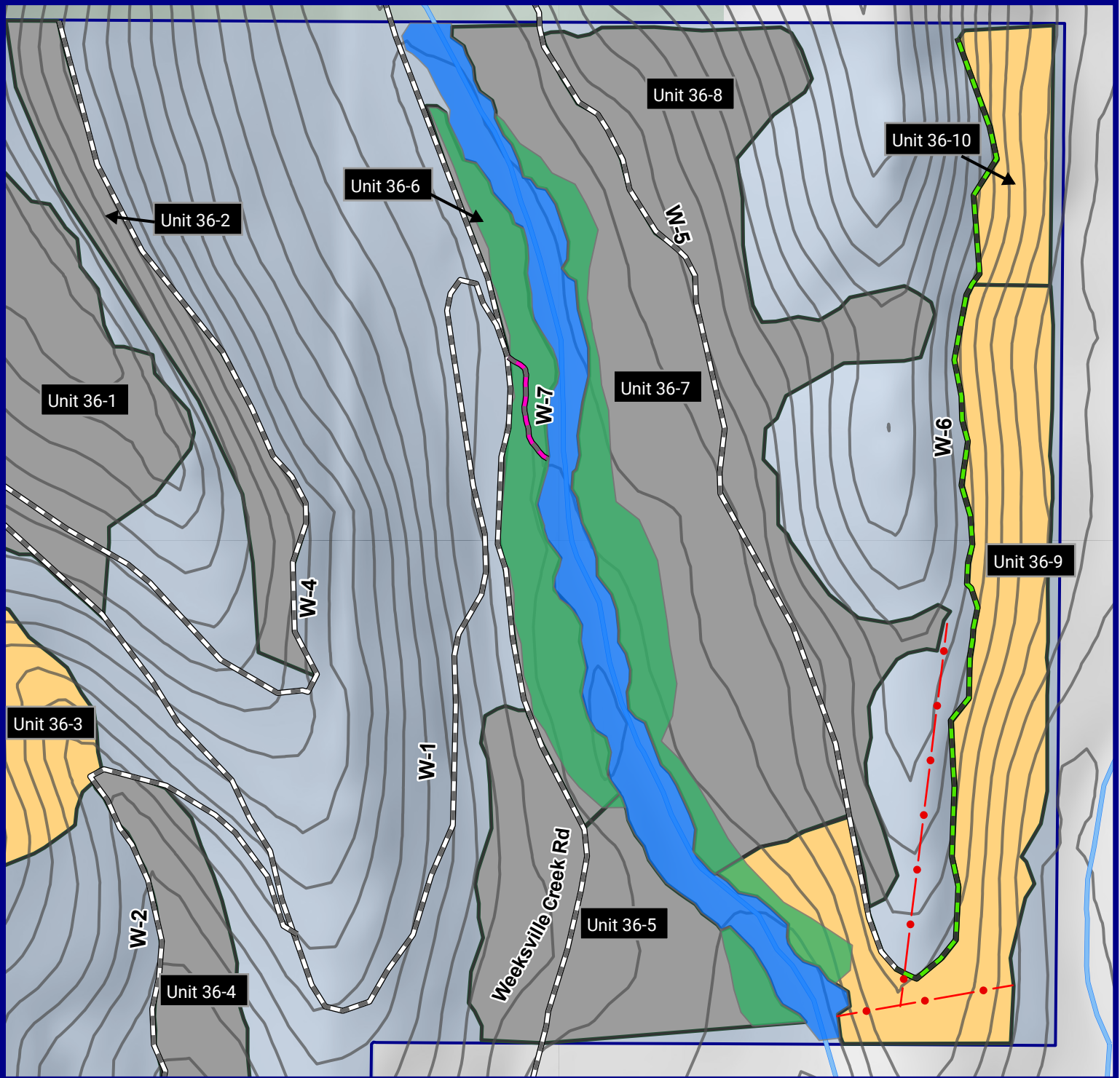


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Lynx Habitat map

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