

## NOTICE OF SALE

### **Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale**

The GNA Baird-Harper timber sale is located within sections 19-22, 26-35 of T32N – R28W & 25, 36 of T32N – R29W on the Kootenai National Forest. Approximately 75,307 tons, consisting of mixed conifer sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **Wednesday, June 17<sup>th</sup>, 2026, at 2:00 pm**. Bids may be hand delivered or mailed and will be accepted any time prior to the bid opening. **DNRC recommends that bidders contact the Forestry 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 **\$45,231.00** 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. 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, Forestry Division, in Missoula (406-542-4300).

Visit our website for upcoming sales and bid results.

<https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Forest-Products/timber-sales>

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

<b>Timber Sale Name: GNA Baird-Harper</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact:</b>			
Phone	253-561-1200	Forester Jordyn Yarid	Libby Unit
<b>For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-4300	Missoula DNRC Main Office	GNA Bureau
Phone	406-751-2240	Northwestern	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 Good Neighbor Authority Bureau, Forestry 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. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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:**

1. This timber sale is a State of Montana Timber Sale on Forest Service Land and is being performed under the Good Neighbor Authority. Potential Purchasers should be aware that this is a partnership, between the Montana DNRC and the US Forest Service, to increase the pace and Scale of forest restoration on National Forest System Lands. Considering Good Neighbor Authority is a high priority of both agencies, and it has a high degree of public interest, the purchaser should expect increased DNRC, Forest Service, and public attention on this timber sale. The DNRC and Forest Service may wish to have public or media tours of this timber sale and we will encourage active involvement by the timber sale purchaser and their contractors.
2. Under the Good Neighbor Authority all NEPA mitigations and Forest Plan requirements must be adhered to. Specific mitigations to do so are written into the contract. The DNRC encourages potential purchasers to familiarize themselves with these mitigations prior to bidding.
3. Unlike DNRC Trust Lands Timber Sales, no Forest Improvement Fees will be charged.
4. Unlike Forest Service Timber Sales, all deposits such as KV, BD, and Road Deposits are included in the stumpage value and accounted for between the DNRC and Forest Service.
5. The Baird-Harper Timber Sale was cruised and compiled using DNRC procedures and computer programs.
6. LOG BRANDING: This contract is subject to the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 USC 620, et seq.). The Purchaser must comply with log branding and accounting rules in Attachment E.
7. **Mandatory pulp/roundwood removal is required in all harvest units.** In which, material that meets the minimum manufacturing and recovery standards for **Other Material shall be removed from the cutting unit, skidded to the landing areas and Purchaser may be required to process and deck along National Forest System Roads. HAULING OF OTHER MATERIAL IS NOT REQUIRED**, if Purchaser elects to haul Other Material, such products shall be billed at the rate for Other Material shown in Table 1 in the GNA Baird-Harper Contract.
8. Forest Service Roads 566I, 7738, and 6288, 2.3 miles of FSR 566, and 0.4 miles of FSR 566F are closed and gated. A GNA combination lock will be on each gate with a combination of **2-7-1-1**.
9. The Baird-Harper Timber Sale will require **17.3 miles of road reconstruction and maintenance** to be completed pre and post haul, **1.2 miles of temporary road construction**, **1.4 miles of dust abatement pre and post haul**, and **0.5 miles of road obliteration**. Road work includes **5 new stream culvert installations** and **16 culvert replacements**. Please refer to Attachment B GNA Baird-Harper Timber Sale Road Log for full detail and contract specifications.
10. The GNA Baird-Harper sale is **1,304 acres** of required harvest and 25 additional optional harvest of 25 acres. **904 acres** are OPERATOR SELECT LEAVE TREES BASED UPON DESCRIPTION and **400 acres** are LEAVE TREE MARKED as described in the GNA Baird-Harper Timber Sale Contract section VII.F UNIT DESIGNATIONS and VII.G.2.
11. Roughly **89% of harvest units are tractor harvest** and **11% of units are cable units**. Units 51, 53, and 170 will all utilize a combination of skyline yarding and tractor skidding to remove wood. Alternative harvest methods may be proposed by the purchaser and approved by Forest Officer.
12. Unit 170 includes a skyline yarding distance which will require 1,600 feet of cable. Some areas of the harvest unit may require deletion of blind leads.
13. Unit 170 Optional is 25 acres at the bottom of the harvest unit. Volume may be tractor skidded to yarding corridor and removed. **Purchaser must inform the Forest Officer by 6/30/2027 if they elect to harvest this unit.**
14. 18 harvest units are LOGGING ON SLASH MATT REQUIRED. This means the purchaser shall return slash back to the unit as it is created in the landing and distribute evenly on skid trails throughout the unit to create a slash matt for heavy equipment to operate on, to minimize soil disturbance. Slash shall be scattered on skid trails as skidding progresses on each trail. The amount of slash needed based on present conditions will be determined by the FO. Logging on slash matt is required to operate during the dry season as described in contract section VII.G.1.
15. **Slashing is required on 631.2 acres is appraised for \$106,801** (410.8 acres of light slashing at \$150/acre & 225.9 of moderate slashing at \$200/acre). **Excavator piling is required on 308.2 acres and is appraised for \$69,345.00** at \$225/acre as described in contract sections VII.G.3 and VII.G.5. Slashing and piling is required to be completed within 10 months of harvest completion in each unit.

16. The Baird-Harper Timber Sale includes TRAFFIC CONTROL FOR FELLING ALONG OPEN PUBLIC ROADS for 12 harvest units as described in contract section VII.G.8.
17. The Baird-Harper Timber Sale will require **5.1 miles** of FUELBREAK AND FIRELINE CONSTRUCTION **appraised at \$18,768** (utilizing \$2,900/mile for machine fireline and \$780/mile for 20-foot-wide machine fuelbreak). See Attachment A.5 and contract section VII.G.11.
18. National Forest Service Road #566F will maintain seasonal gate closure 10/15-6/30, and Forest Roads #566 and 7738 yearlong closure to restrict public motor vehicle access during nights, weekends and periods of inactivity.
19. Unit 158 has EQUIPMENT RESTRICTION AREAS. See Attachment A.2 and contract section VII.G.12.
20. Electronic GPS compatible maps along with a large georeferenced detailed road log map are available by contacting Jordyn Yarid, (253) 561-1200.

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**Timber Sale Information Sheet**  
**Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation**

<b>Baird-Harper</b>													
<b>Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All   All   Cut)</b>													
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	WH	Dead	TOTAL or AVE	
Minimum Bid per ton													
Pounds per cubic foot	62.0	61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0						40.0		
Estimated CF	194258.2	1906770.2	651833.7	53271.4	26939.4						22374.1		2,855,447 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material	2599.0	29069.6	9330.9	1939.2	1080.2						246.0		44,265 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs	5565	51707	15993	1306	687						49		<b>75,307 tons</b>
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material	73	785	222	50	28						0		1,157 tons
Gross MBF	876	8877	3202	227	113						109		13,404 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	7.2	12.1	15.7	12.8	10.7						88.4		13.3%
Net MBF	813	7800	2700	198	101						13		11,625 MBF
Average logs per MBF	21.4	20.5	21.0	26.7	27.8						13.9		20.8 logs/MBF
Average DBH	12.3	12.6	12.5	10.1	10.0						13.7		12.4 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												58 tons/ac	
Average MBF to cut per acre												8.9 MBF/ac	
Total Average TPA Cut												92	
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	10,771 and 12,478 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises											7.3%	
<b>Tons Per Thousand Board Feet</b>													
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	75,307 estimated tons / 11,625 Net MBF											6.48 tons/MBF	

<b>Contract Information</b>		
Contract Termination Date:	10/31/2033	
Operating Period:	Operations may occur as soil conditions allow (Section VII. G. 1 and L. 1 & 2) or as directed by the Forest Officer	

<b>Logging Information</b>	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	10%
% of volume logged with tractors	89%
% of volume logged by skyline	11%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	600 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	1450 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance non-PP (paved)	68.0 miles
Estimated haul distance PP (paved)	121 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	5.0 miles

<b>Road development and maintenance fees and estimates</b>	
Estimated road development cost total	\$207,385
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$2.75/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$17.84/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$74,915
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.99/ton
Miles of temporary road construction	1.2 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	17.3 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.5 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	17.3 miles

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<b>Purchaser fees and estimated costs</b>	
Forest Improvement fee per MBF	\$0.00/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$0.00/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$0.00
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do environmental cost total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do environmental cost per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$281,512.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$3.74/ton

<b>Unit harvest volume</b>				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
9	72.24	2512	388	October 1, 2033
10	53.13	4367	674	
11	111.51	8561	1322	
12	61.95	5351	826	
13	17.06	1286	199	
14	41.49	3112	480	
49	56.83	2478	383	
51	3.48	280	43	
53	44.20	3067	473	
157	48.30	4177	645	
158	86.64	2181	337	
170	70.67	5016	774	
305	55.69	3634	561	
306	41.80	1546	239	
307	91.07	3593	555	
348	46.88	3490	539	
350	24.53	1122	173	
10A	60.25	3784	584	
52A	21.60	2428	375	
14A	27.66	2968	458	
10B	10.81	235	36	
159A	18.89	2123	328	
307B	68.20	2076	321	
307A	105.13	2801	432	
9A	44.56	1553	240	
158B	19.91	1564	241	
	1,304 Ac.	75,307 tons	11,624 MBF	

<b>Unit harvest volume</b>				
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170 Optional	25	1774.87	273.9	October 1, 2033

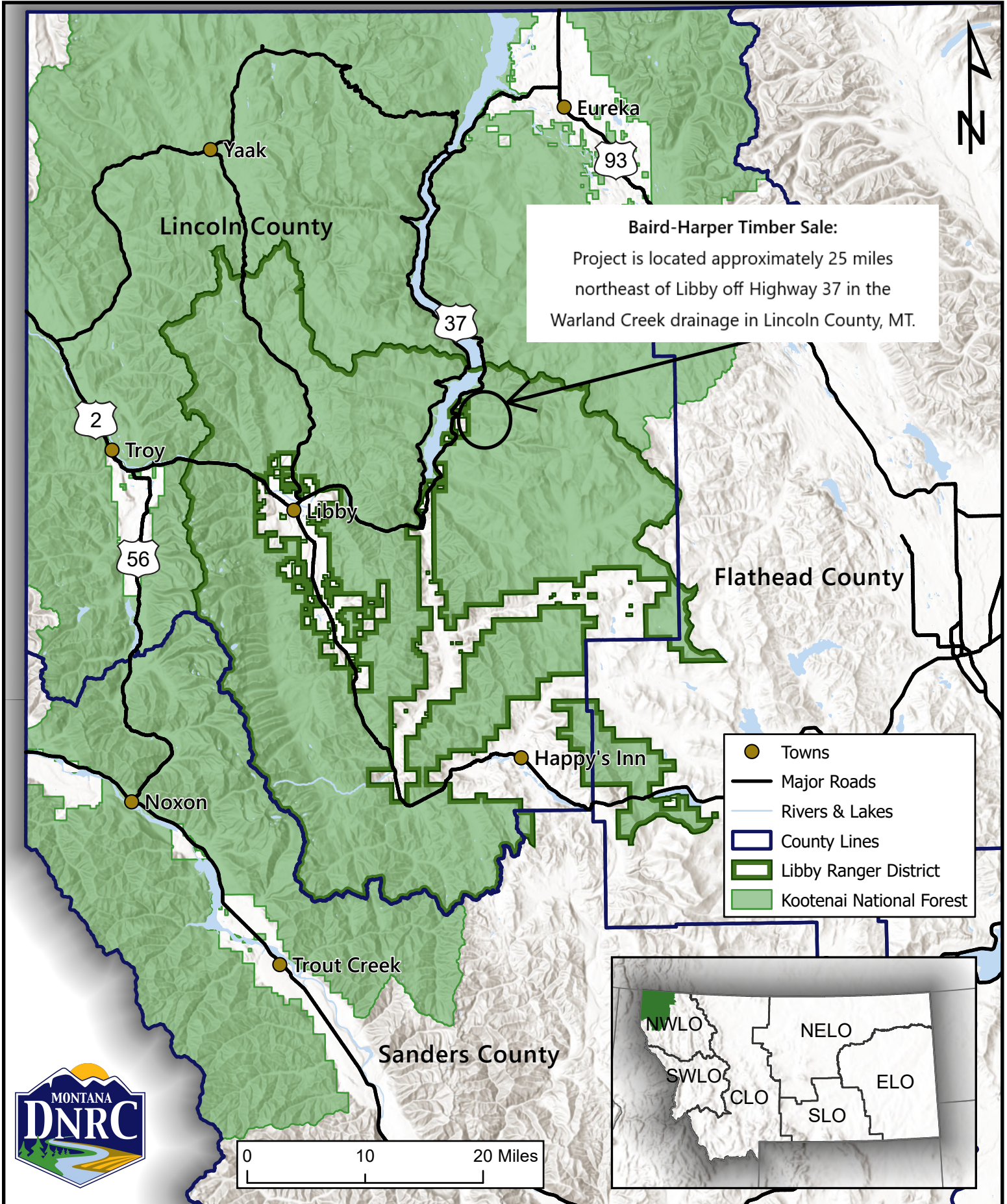
Overrides		
Species	Weight (lbs/ft <sup>3</sup> )	Unseen Cull & Breakage
Sub-Alpine Fir		
Douglas Fir		
Engelmann Spruce		
Grand Fir		
Lodgepole Pine		
Ponderosa Pine		
Western Red Cedar		
Western Hemlock		
Western Larch		
Western White Pine		

Top Size

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# Good Neighbor Authority - Libby District Vicinity Map

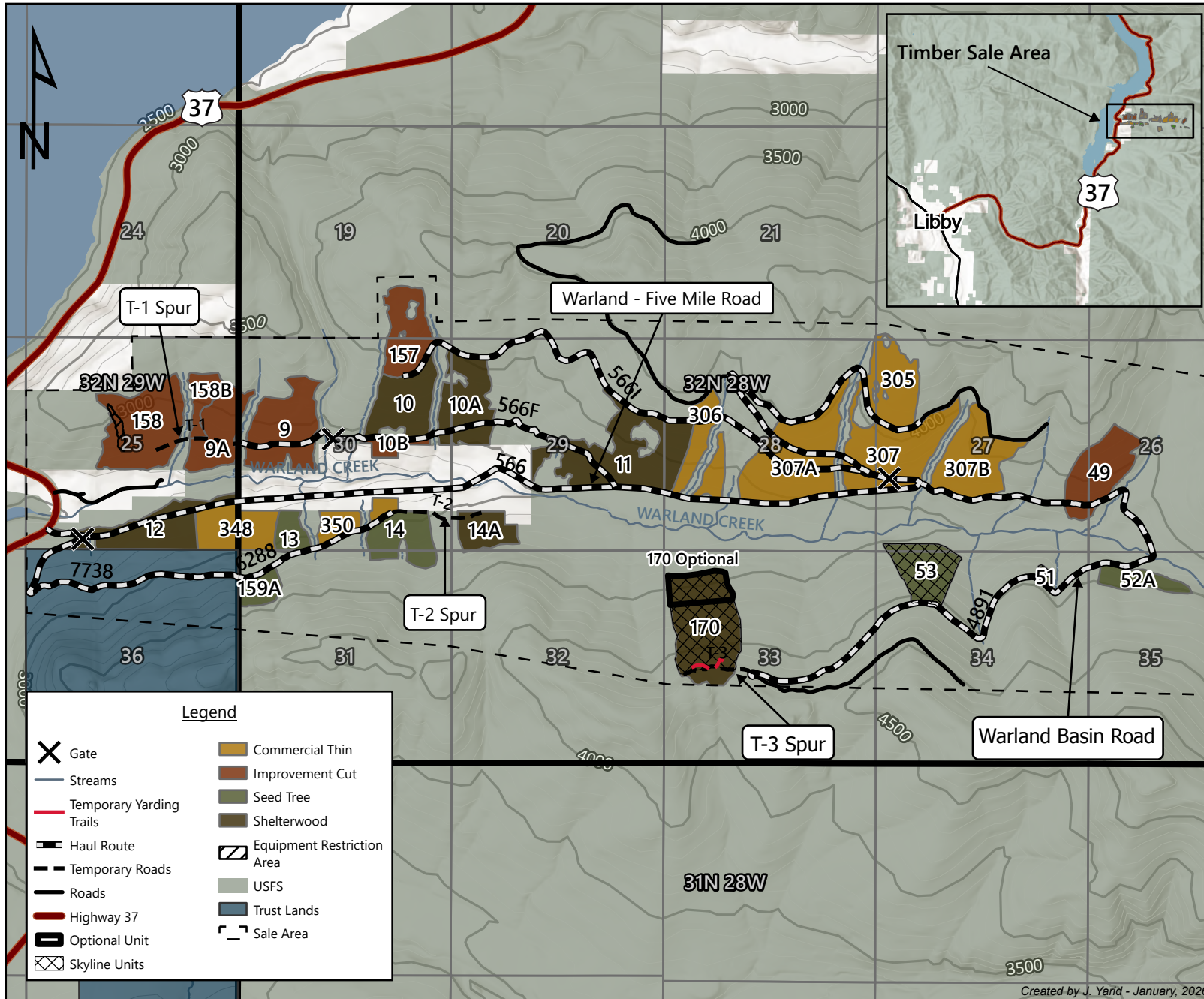
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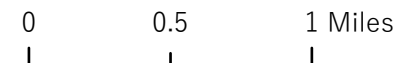


# Baird-Harper Timber Sale Map

Sections 19-22, 26-35 T32N 28W & Section 25 and 36 T32N R29W  
Attachment A. Page 2



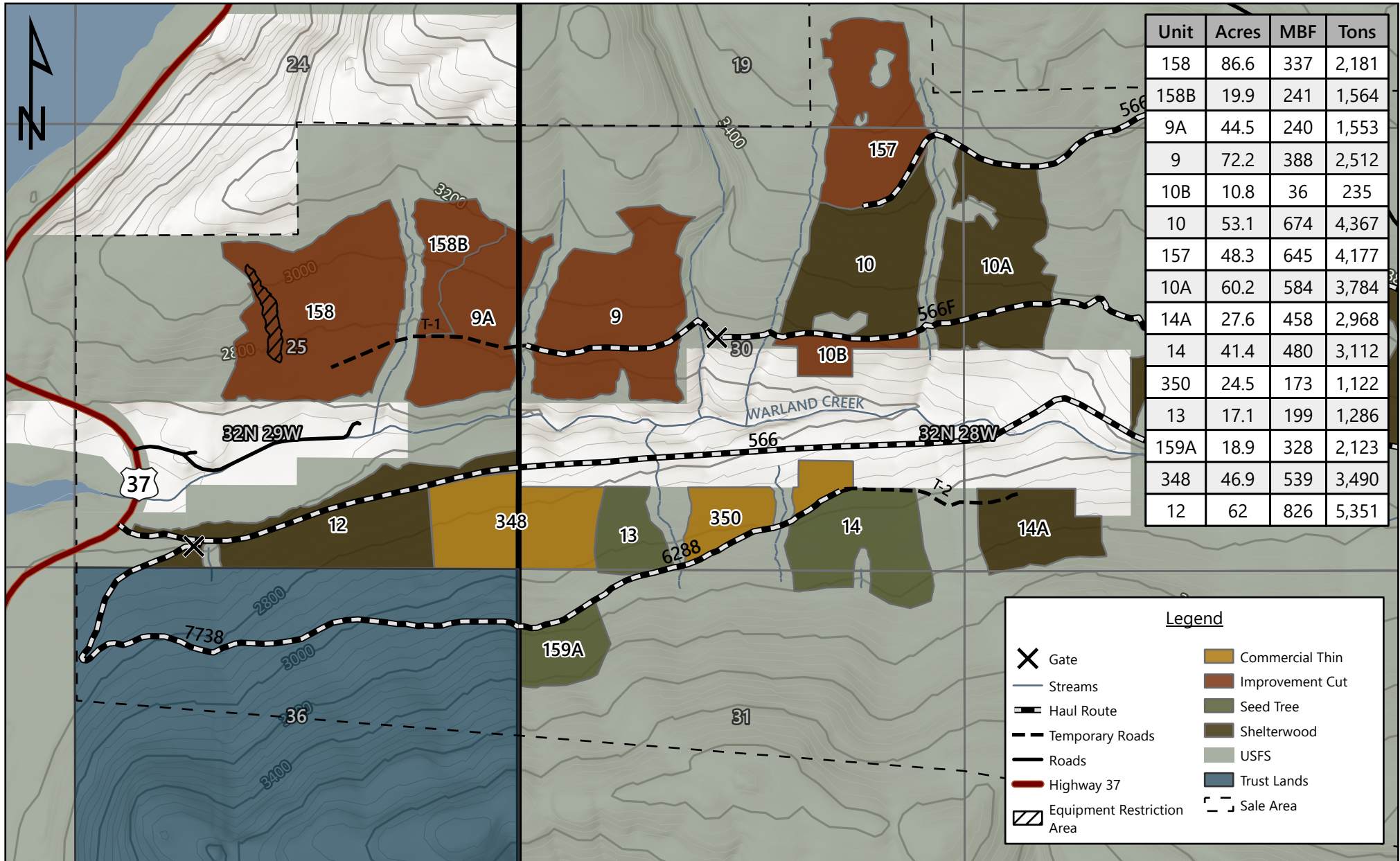
Unit	Acres	MBF	Tons
158	86.6	337	2,181
158B	19.9	241	1,564
9A	44.5	240	1,553
9	72.2	388	2,512
10B	10.8	36	235
10	53.1	674	4,367
157	48.3	645	4,177
10A	60.2	584	3,784
11	111.5	1,322	8,561
306	41.8	239	1,546
307A	105.1	432	2,801
307	91	555	3,593
305	55.7	561	3,634
307B	68.2	321	2,076
49	56.8	383	2,478
52A	21.6	375	2,428
51	3.5	43	280
53	44.2	473	3,067
170	70.7	774	5,016
14A	27.6	458	2,968
14	41.4	480	3,112
350	24.5	173	1,122
13	17.1	199	1,286
159A	18.9	328	2,123
348	46.9	539	3,490
12	62	826	5,351
<b>Totals:</b>	<b>1,304</b>	<b>11,624</b>	<b>75,307</b>





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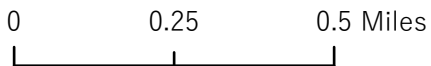
Sections 19, 29, 30, 31, & 32 T32N 28W & Section 25 and 36 T32N R29W  
Attachment A. Page 3



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**Legend**

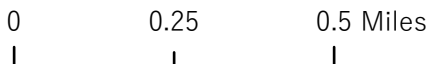
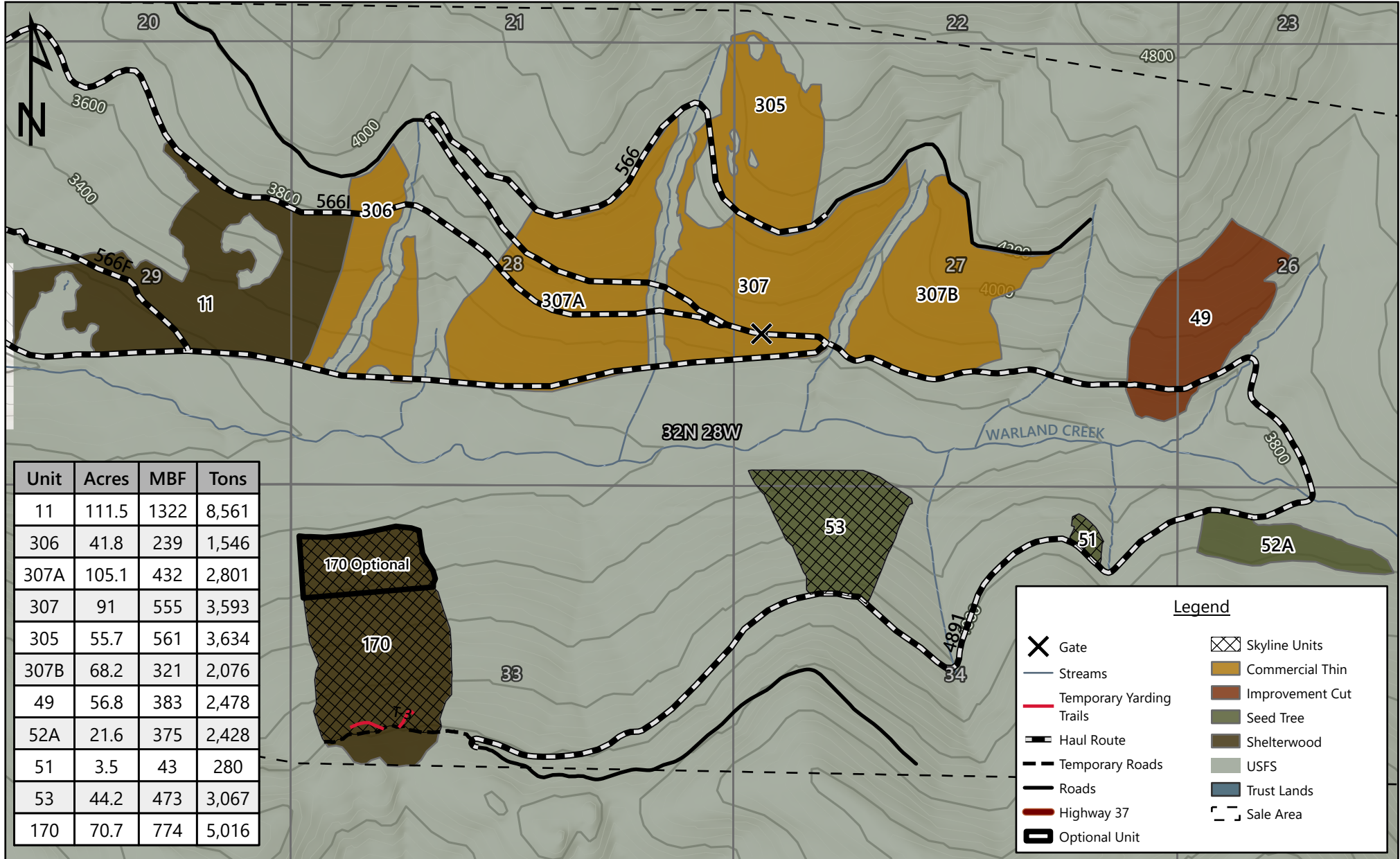
- ✕ Gate
- Streams
- Haul Route
- - - Temporary Roads
- Roads
- Highway 37
- ▨ Equipment Restriction Area
- Commercial Thin
- Improvement Cut
- Seed Tree
- Shelterwood
- USFS
- Trust Lands
- ▭ Sale Area





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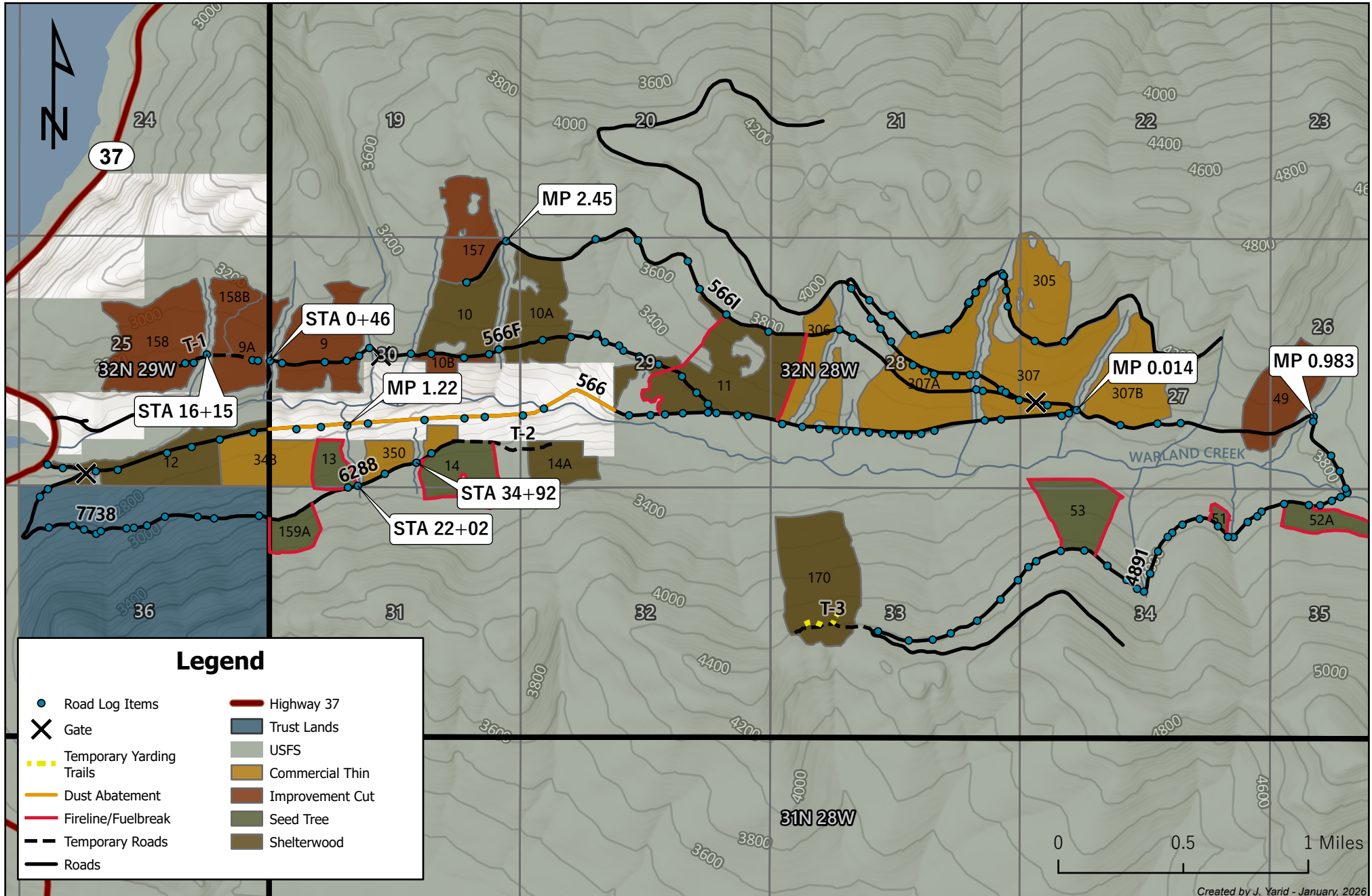
Sections 21, 22, 26-29, & 33-35 T32N 28W  
Attachment A. Page 4





# Baird-Harper Road Work Map

Sections 19-22, 26-35 T32N 28W & Sections 25 and 36 T32N R29W  
Attachment A. 5



## Legend

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|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Road Log Items           | Highway 37      |
| Gate                     | Trust Lands     |
| Temporary Yarding Trails | USFS            |
| Dust Abatement           | Commercial Thin |
| Fireline/Fuelbreak       | Improvement Cut |
| Temporary Roads          | Seed Tree       |
| Roads                    | Shelterwood     |

