#### **NOTICE OF SALE**

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

The GNA Anytime Fuel Break timber sale is located within sections 8, 9, 1, 14, 13, and 24 of T31N – R25W and sections 6 and 5 of T31N – R24W on the Flathead National Forest. Approximately 4,373 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 Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>, 2025 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 \$3,766.00 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

Timber Sale Name: GNA Anytime Fuel Break

For specific sale information, contact: Daniel Pendergraph

Phone 847-502-4527 Kalispell Unit

For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact: Brook Blakeley

Phone 406-751-2248 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 <u>are not guaranteed.</u>
- 12. <u>This prospectus is provided for information purposes only.</u> If the prospectus is in error or contradicts the Timber Sale Contract, the Contract governs.
- 13. Other contractors and machinery may be working within the sale area during operations. Coordination may be needed to reduce conflicts between operations.

#### **Additional Sale Information:**

- 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.
- 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. The Purchaser is required to cut, skid and dispose Other Material that does not meet Sawlog Manufacturing and Recovery Standards in Table 2 in the Timber Sale Contract. The Purchaser may elect to remove Other Material as approved by the Forest Officer. Such products shall be billed at the rate for Other Material shown in Table 1 in the Timber Sale Contract.
  - If the purchaser elects not to remove other material the purchaser will be required to deck the material as directed by the Forest Officer; this may require removal to areas on permanent National Forest System Roads.
- 4. Special operating requirements: The following requirements are to be performed by the Purchaser in specific sale units as shown in the contract: Section VII.F, UNIT DESIGNATIONS.
  - 1) SLASHING REQUIRED: The Purchaser is required to slash down all non-merchantable material taller ' than 4 feet except large cull trees and snags after harvest operations are complete and approved in each unit. This includes leaners and pushovers. Stems shall be completely severed from the stump. Stumps shall not exceed 8" in height on the uphill side. Slashed material must be felled directionally so that it remains totally within the harvest unit. (Applies to Units 29, 29a, 31, and 32.)

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

GNA Anytime FB												
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												
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0			55.0			40.0	
Estimated CF		13050.9	1825.3	97971.7	30598.2			30056.9			0.0	173,503 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material		195.5	31.2	5603.2	368.7			1371.5			0.0	7,570 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs		357	48	2538	770			660			0	4,374 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		14	3	450	16			50			0	533 tons
Gross MBF		58	8	378	156			121			0	721 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		11.8	10.0	7.7	11.6			20.2			0.0	11.0%
Net MBF		51	7	349	138			97			0	642 MBF
Average logs per MBF		23.0	25.4	33.5	16.1			35.0			0.0	29.1 logs/MBF
Average DBH		12.2	11.5	9.2	12.9			9.6			0.0	9.7 in.
Average tons to cut per acre								39 tons/ac				
Average MBF to cut per acre							5.7 MBF/ac					
Total Average TPA Cut							125					
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between 519 and 765 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises							19.2%					
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet 4,374 estimated tons / 642 Net MBF						6.82 tons/MBF						

Contract Information					
Contract Termination Date:	Sept 30th 2028				
Operating Period:	June 1st-March 31st when soil conditions allow.				

Logging Information					
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%				
% of volume logged with tractors	100%				
% of volume logged by skyline	00%				
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%				
Yarding distance tractor (average)	782 ft.				

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates				
Estimated road development cost total \$0				
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$0.00/ton			
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$0.00/MBF			
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$6,900			

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Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	30.3 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	7.5 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs					
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$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 FI total \$	\$0				
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton				
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$8,140.00				
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$1.86/ton				

Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$1.58/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.0 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	13.5 miles

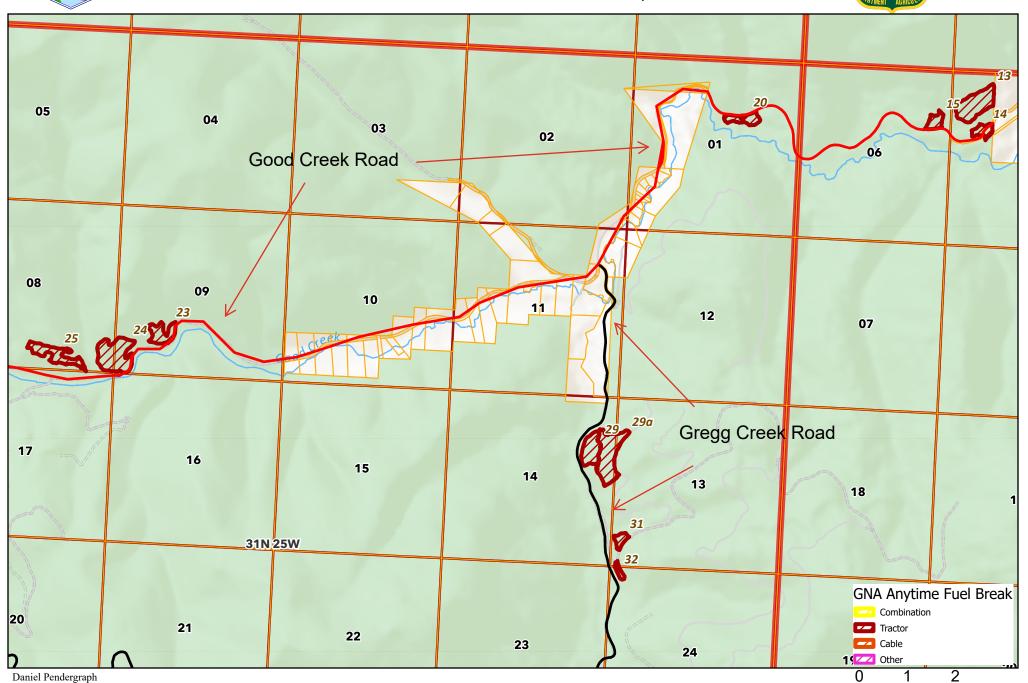
Unit harvest volume						
Unit#	Acres	Est Tons Est MBF		Harvest Deadline		
13	18.09	728	107	March 31st 2028		
14	4.50	145	21	March 31st 2028		
15	4.47	168	25	March 31st 2028		
20	6.06	353	52	March 31st 2028		
23	8.61	144	21	March 31st 2028		
24	22.24	519	76	March 31st 2028		
25	12.04	430	63	March 31st 2028		
29	11.34	471	69	March 31st 2028		
31	1.65	155	23	March 31st 2028		
32	2.98	133	20	March 31st 2028		
29a	21.14	1127	165	March 31st 2028		
	113 Ac.	4,374 tons	642 MBF			



# **GNA** Anytime Fuel Break Sale Map



Attachment A-1 Unit Map





### **GNA** Anytime Fuel Break Haul Map



Attachment A-2

