

## NOTICE OF SALE

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

The GNA Bald Brian timber sale is located within sections 5 & 6 of T17N – R26W, sections 1 & 11 of T17N – R27W, sections 28, 29, 31, 32 & 33 of T18N – R26W located on the Lolo National Forest. Approximately 21,533 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 July 19<sup>th</sup> 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 **\$6,750.00** 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 Bald Brian</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-544 2711	Aaron Kim	Southwest Land Office
<b>For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forestry Division	DNRC Missoula 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:**

- 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 this is one of the first Good Neighbor Timber Sales in Montana, 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.
- 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.
- TETHERED OPERATIONS ALLOWED; All Designated Cable units are approved for Tethered Operations. Where ground-based harvest exceeds 35% slope (steep slope or tethered operations), harvest activities must be mitigated by operating with machinery under constant tension, working on a slash mat, or a combination of both.
  - Harvest operation for untethered machinery would not exceed 45% slopes and must operate on a continuous slash mat.
  - Harvest operations for tethered machinery would not exceed 70% slopes.
- DESIGNATION BY PRESCRIPTION: See contract for specific cutting information in these units.
- BORATE APPLICATION REQUIRED: Borate application is required on Ponderosa Pine stumps greater than 12" See contract more information.
- REMOVAL OF OTHER MATERIAL REQUIRED: Treatment of other material not meeting sawlog specifications is required in all mechanically harvested units.
  - The purchaser has the option of disposing of other material by using any of the following methods, in accordance with instructions of the Forest Officer:
    - Processing into a pulp log and hauling at the rate listed for Other Material in Table 1.
    - Processing into other product log and hauling at the rate listed for Other Material in Table 1.
    - Skidded to a landing pile (subject to contract constraint on landing pile size).
    - Lopped and scattered within the unit (subject to slash height constraint).
 See contract for more information.
- Slashing of damaged sub-merchantable material is required in all units. See contract for more information.
- There are two bid items in this sale – Ponderosa Pine Sawlogs, and All Other Species Sawlogs. Other Material is included as a set rate. See contract for merchantability standards and specifications.
- An optional pre-bid tour of the sale area will be held on 7/10/2024 at 0800. We will meet in the parking area at the intersection of Southside Road and Southside Crossing, just off of exit 42 I-90 West, 5 miles West of Superior MT. Please RSVP to Aaron Kim @ [aaron.kim@mt.gov](mailto:aaron.kim@mt.gov) by COB 7/08/2024.

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

GNA Bald Brian												
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 all species except PP												\$ 6.97
Minimum Bid per ton PP												\$ 2.88
Pounds per cubic foot	62.0	61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0	60.0	44.0	55.0			40.0	
Estimated CF	125538.1	535406.3	23926.9	2840.7	4651.0	39272.3	25643.4	727.9			23469.2	781,476 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material	2030.5	7799.7	233.9	15.7	34.0	1000.0	500.2	15.5			303.0	11,932 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs	3739	15038	609	60	119	1014	525	17			413	21,533 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material	62	221	6	0	1	27	10	0			5	333 tons
Gross MBF	566	2431	122	13	23	162	99	3			112	3,531 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	4.3	9.0	12.9	23.9	10.0	14.6	7.0	15.0			12.2	8.7%
Net MBF	542	2213	106	10	21	138	93	2			98	3,223 MBF
Average logs per MBF	23.8	23.1	19.4	24.9	18.3	31.4	28.8	38.9			19.4	23.5 logs/MBF
Average DBH	11.9	12.5	14.0	10.0	14.3	11.0	11.8	11.0			13.5	12.4 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												51 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre												7.6 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut												95
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between			2,979 and 3,466 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									7.6%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	21,533 estimated tons / 3,223 Net MBF											6.68 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	11/1/2027	
Operating Period:	Dry or Frozen conditions per project Resource Protection Measures	

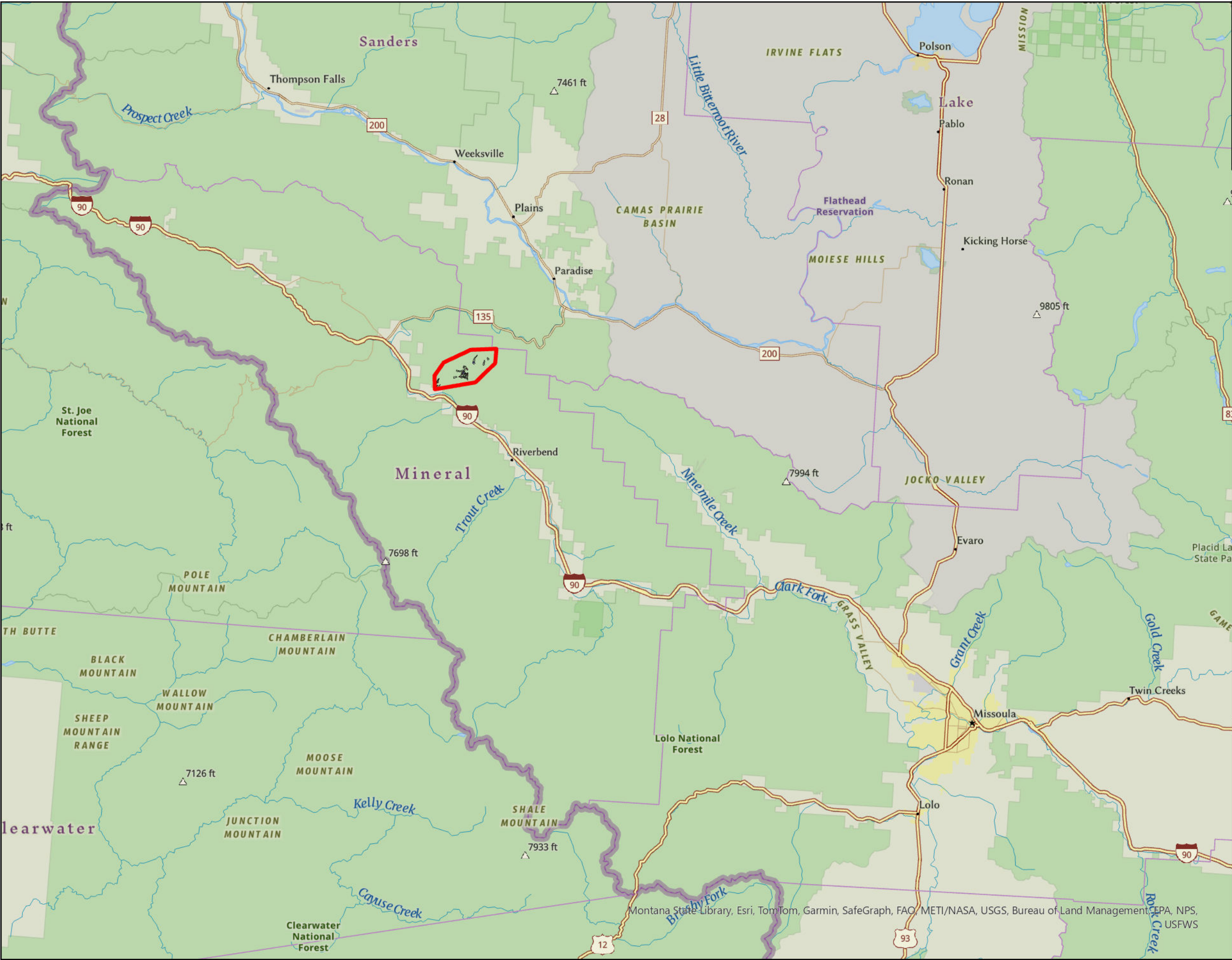
Logging Information	
% of volume logged with tractors	45%
% of volume logged by skyline	55%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	1500 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	850 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	63.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	7.0 miles

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated Temp road cost total	\$28,083
Estimated Temp road cost per ton	\$1.30/ton
Estimated road development cost per MBF	\$8.71/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$34,780
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$1.62/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of Temp road construction	0.8 miles
Miles of Temp road reconstruction	0.8 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	14.1 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	14.1 miles




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Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
Cutting Unit S68a	27.18	1378	206	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit S68	14.21	530	79	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit S71	23.52	686	103	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K26	26.85	2211	331	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K26a	6.26	250	37	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K27	14.05	832	125	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K28	10.82	550	82	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K19	10.84	478	72	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K21	9.09	533	80	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K17	35.59	1976	296	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K30	9.27	366	55	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K23	26.26	1382	207	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K24	25.75	938	140	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K22	15.09	986	148	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K20	11.48	452	68	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K24a	6.14	530	79	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K18	32.01	1460	218	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K08	21.52	1290	193	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K32	18.32	904	135	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K13	12.12	891	133	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K04a	18.76	872	131	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K04	31.72	1404	210	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K25	9.39	420	63	March 1, 2027
Cutting Unit K17a	6.25	213	32	March 1, 2027
	422 Ac.	21,533 tons	3,223 MBF	



GNA Bald Brian  
Vicinity Map  
Lolo National Forest  
Superior Ranger District  
Southwest Land Office MT DNRC

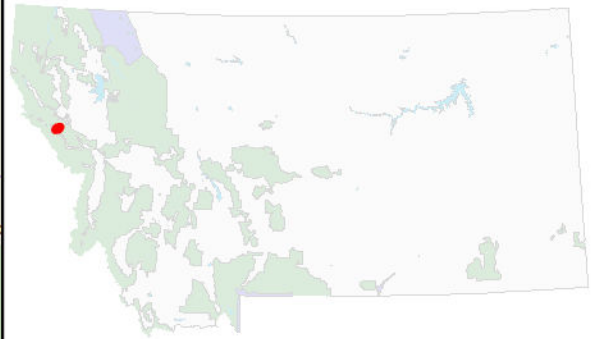


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Miles

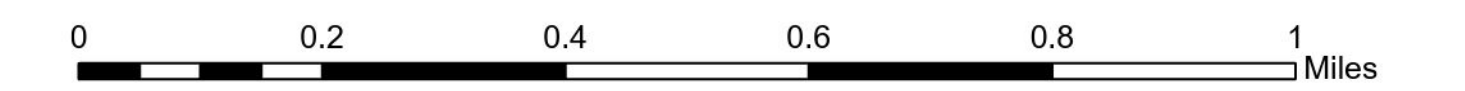
Location	Miles From Bald Brian Project
Superior	8
Saint Regis	12
Thompson Falls	67
Missoula	66
Deer Lodge	146
Kalispell	124

 Project Location

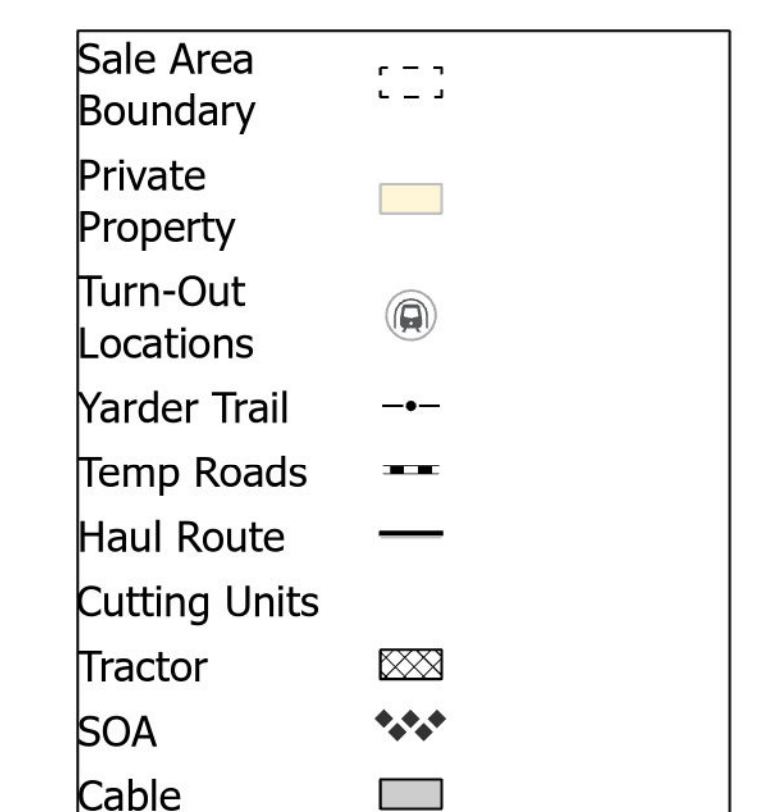
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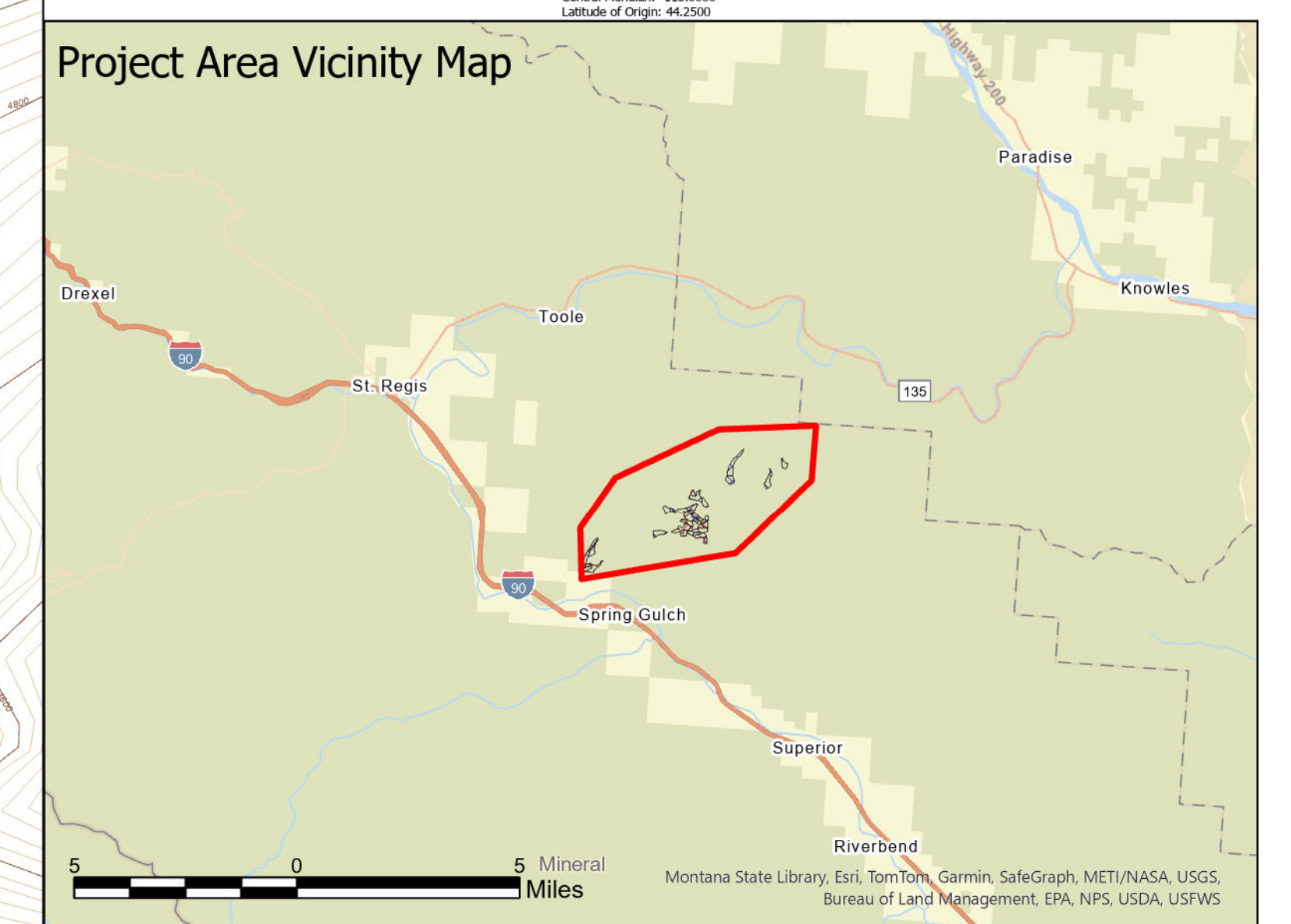


Unit	Harvest System	Acres
K04	Cable	32
K04a	Cable	19
K08	Cable	22
K13	Cable	12
K17	Cable	24
K17a	Tractor	6
K17b	Tractor	12
K18	Cable	32
K19	Tractor	11
K20	Cable	11
K21	Cable	9
K22	Cable	15
K23	Tractor	26
K24	Tractor	26
K24a	Tractor	6
K25	Tractor	9
K26	Tractor	27
K26 SOA	Shovel	7
K26a	Tractor	6
K27	Tractor	14
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S68	Tractor	14
S68a	Cable	27
S71	Tractor	24

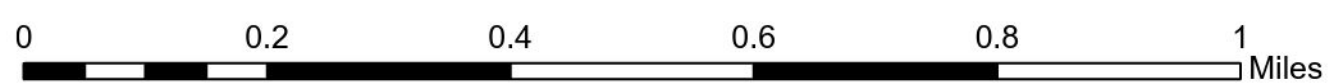


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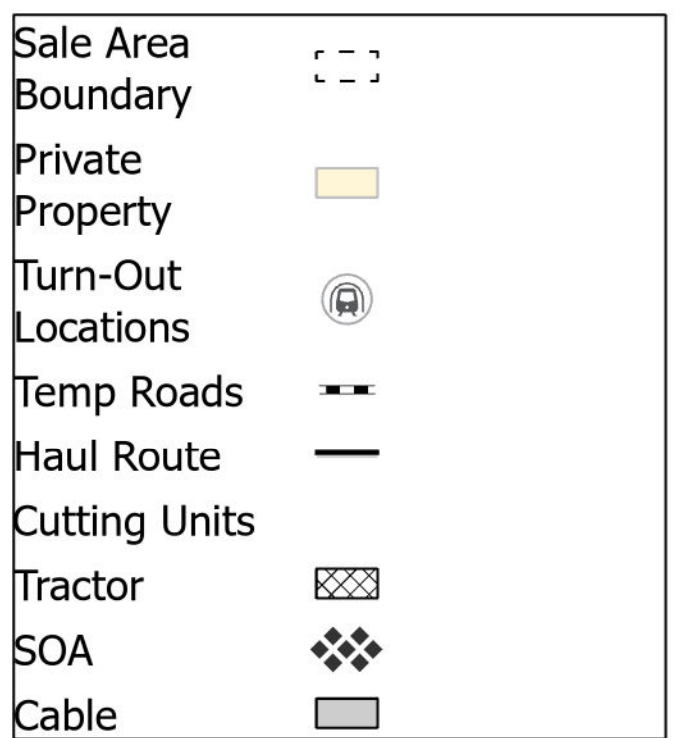
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Road Number	Miles
7868	4.1
9921	3.4
9921 Temp A	0.1
9921 Temp B	0.3
18555	0.9
18616	2.5
18606	1.4
16324	2.4
19284	2.1
389	0.6
18548	1.0
18548 Temp	0.3

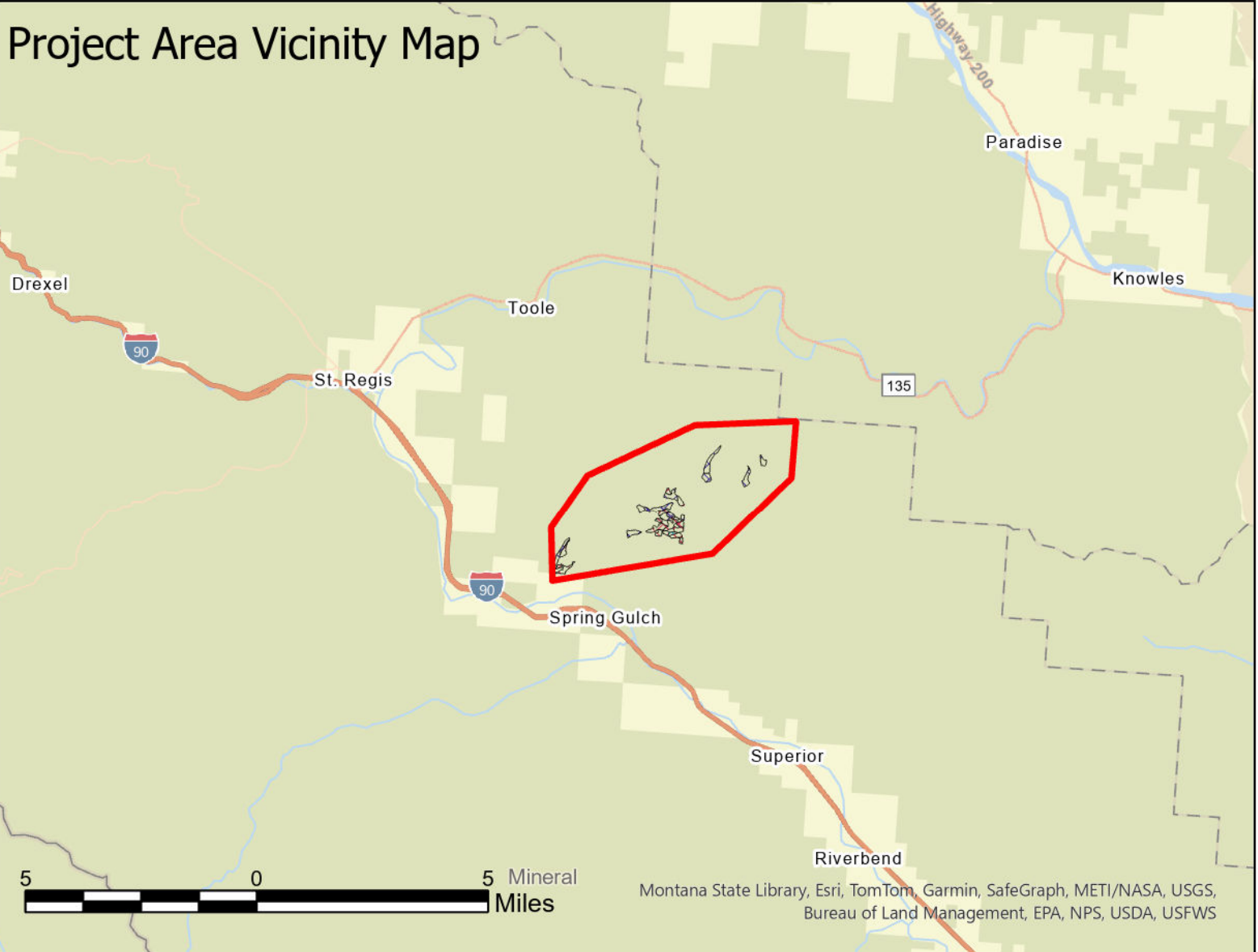


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Central Meridian: -113.0000  
Latitude of Origin: 44.2500



### Project Area Vicinity Map



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