

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The GNA East Deerlodge Aspen Restoration Timber Sale is located within sections 6, & 7 of T5N – R8W and sections 12, 13, 23, 24, 25, & 26 of T5N – R9W on the **Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest**. Approximately **9,539 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 **October 21st 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 **\$7,154.00** 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 at for upcoming sales and bid results.

<https://gna-mtdnrc.hub.arcgis.com/pages/currently-advertised-timber-sales>

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

Timber Sale Name: GNA East Deerlodge Aspen Restoration Timber Sale			
For specific sale information, contact:			
Phone	406-702-5148	Ann Parks	CLO Unit
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forestry Division	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2240		

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. No construction of temporary roads, jump up landings or excavated skid trails is permitted. All units are adjacent to haul route roads and have sufficient landing locations and skid trail options.
4. There is approximately 0.5 miles of road construction on FSR 5165. This work is a reroute segment of FSR 5165 to improve road conditions, stabilization, and grade. The original road segments must be obliterated and seeded following completion of the An reroute.
5. optional pre-bid tour of the sale area will be held on October 5th, 2022, at 9:00 am. Please RSVP to Ann Parks at (406) 702-5148 by October 3rd, 2022, to RSVP and for specific meeting location. If no-one responds by this date the field tour will be cancelled.

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Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	DF	PP	WL	LP	WF					TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton										\$15.00
Pounds per cubic foot	62									
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	9,539									9,539 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)	717.5									718 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	1,438									1,438 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	19									18.9%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	1,166									1,166 MBF
Average logs per MBF	29.6									
Average DBH	11.7									
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units										66 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units										0 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale										7.7 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise										
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between										
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	9,539 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 1,166 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									8.18 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract ending date	11/30/2024	
Operating Season:	July 15 through May 1 annually and as soil conditions allow	

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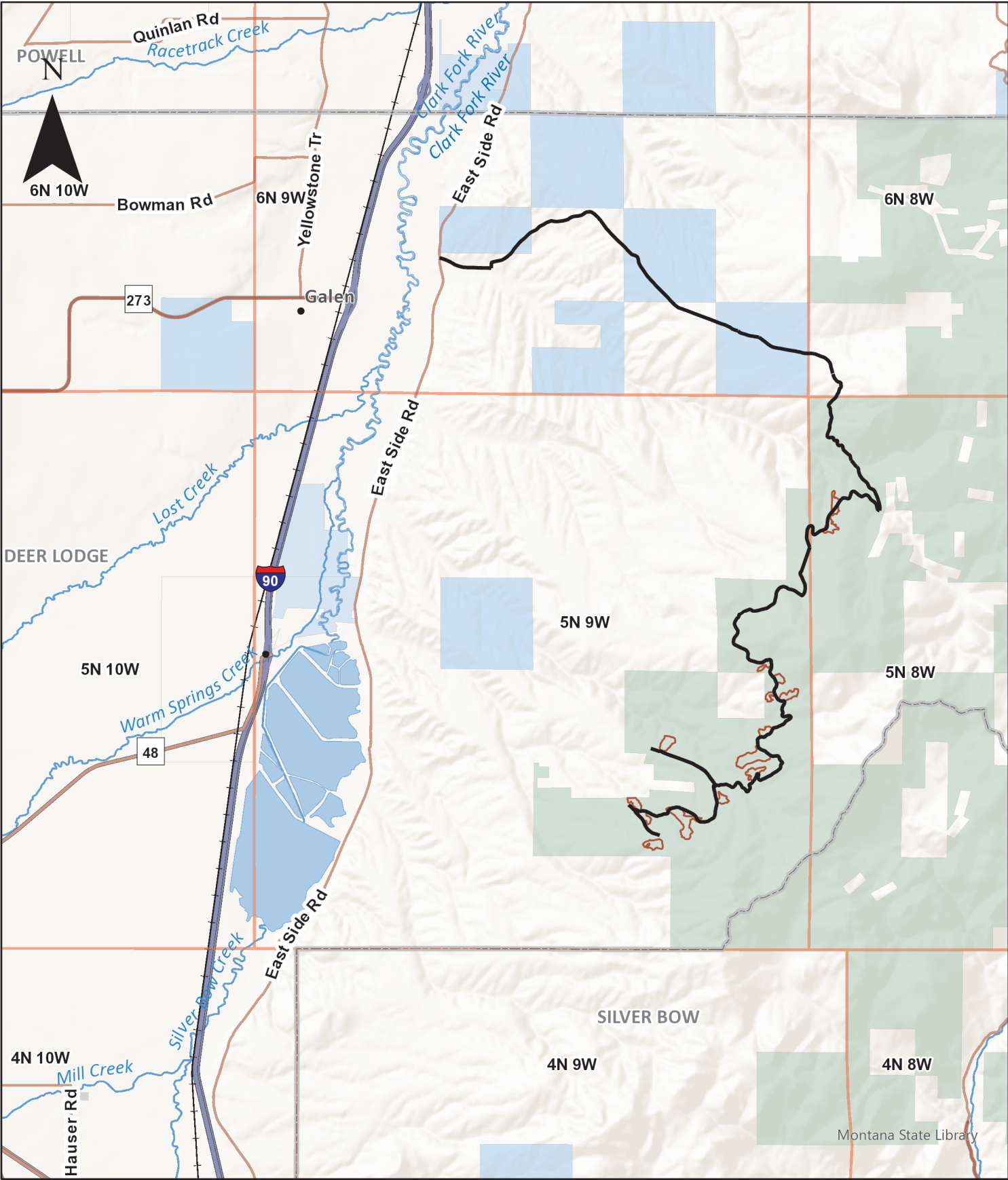
Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by ground lead (jammer)	00%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	800 ft.
Yarding distance ground lead (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	20.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	10.0 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	\$3,775.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.40/ton

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$14,907
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$1.56/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$12.78/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$29,383
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$3.08/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	
Miles of road construction	
Miles of road reconstruction	
Miles of road with site improvements	
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	
Miles of road maintenance and blading	

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest date
1	17.12	752	85	October 1, 2024
2	5.03	247	28	October 1, 2024
3	5.12	241	27	October 1, 2024
4	4.03	328	38	October 1, 2024
5	9.14	376	42	October 1, 2024
6	6.55	354	41	October 1, 2024
7	25.62	2,004	234	October 1, 2024
8	9.72	1,153	173	October 1, 2024
9	10.87	868	102	October 1, 2024
10	5.79	386	45	October 1, 2024
11	27.47	1,377	157	October 1, 2024
12	10.24	991	117	October 1, 2024
14	14.24	975	113	October 1, 2024
	151 Ac.	10,052 tons	1,202 MBF	

GNA East Deerlodge Aspen Timber Sale
Haul Route and Vicinity Map

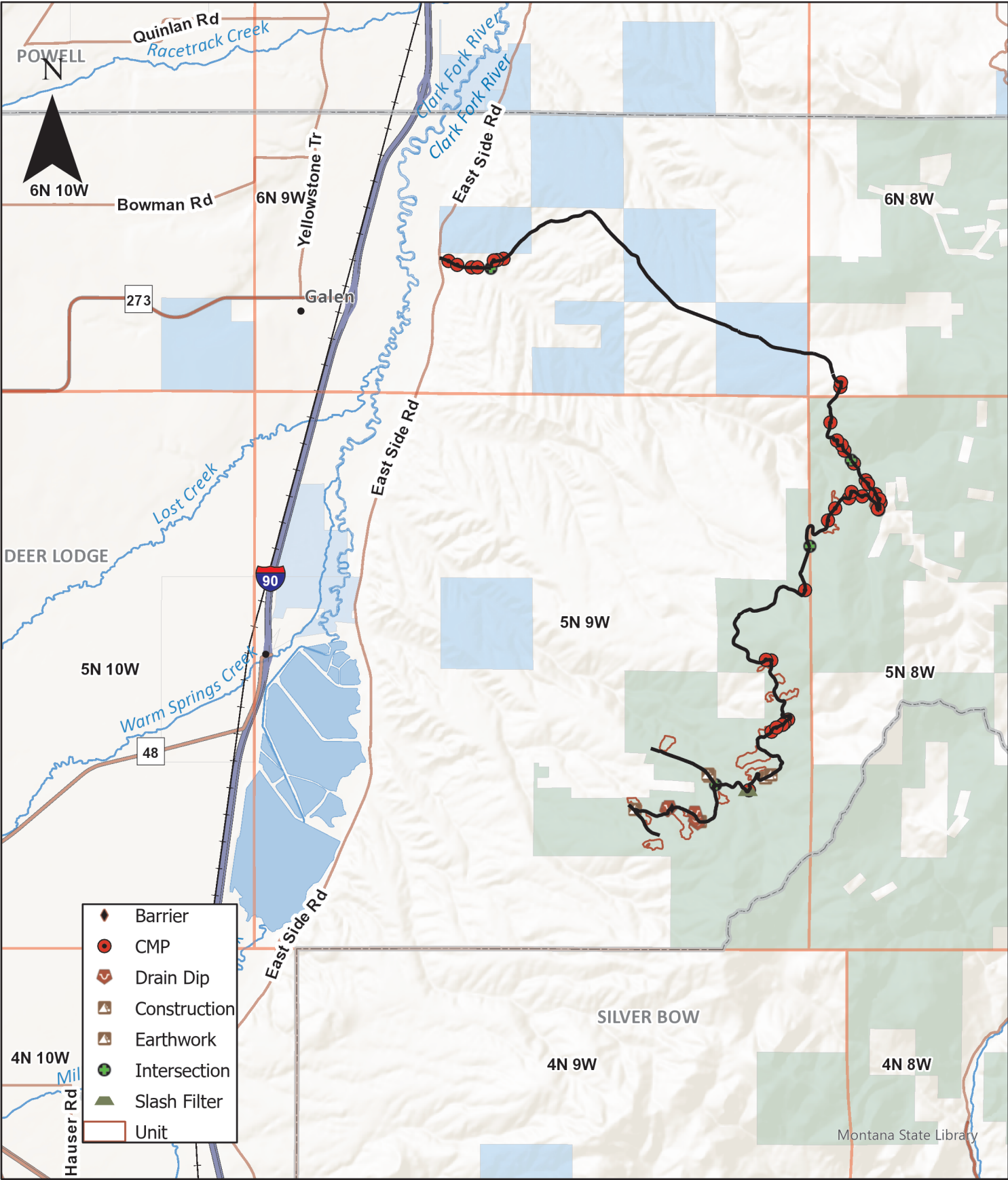


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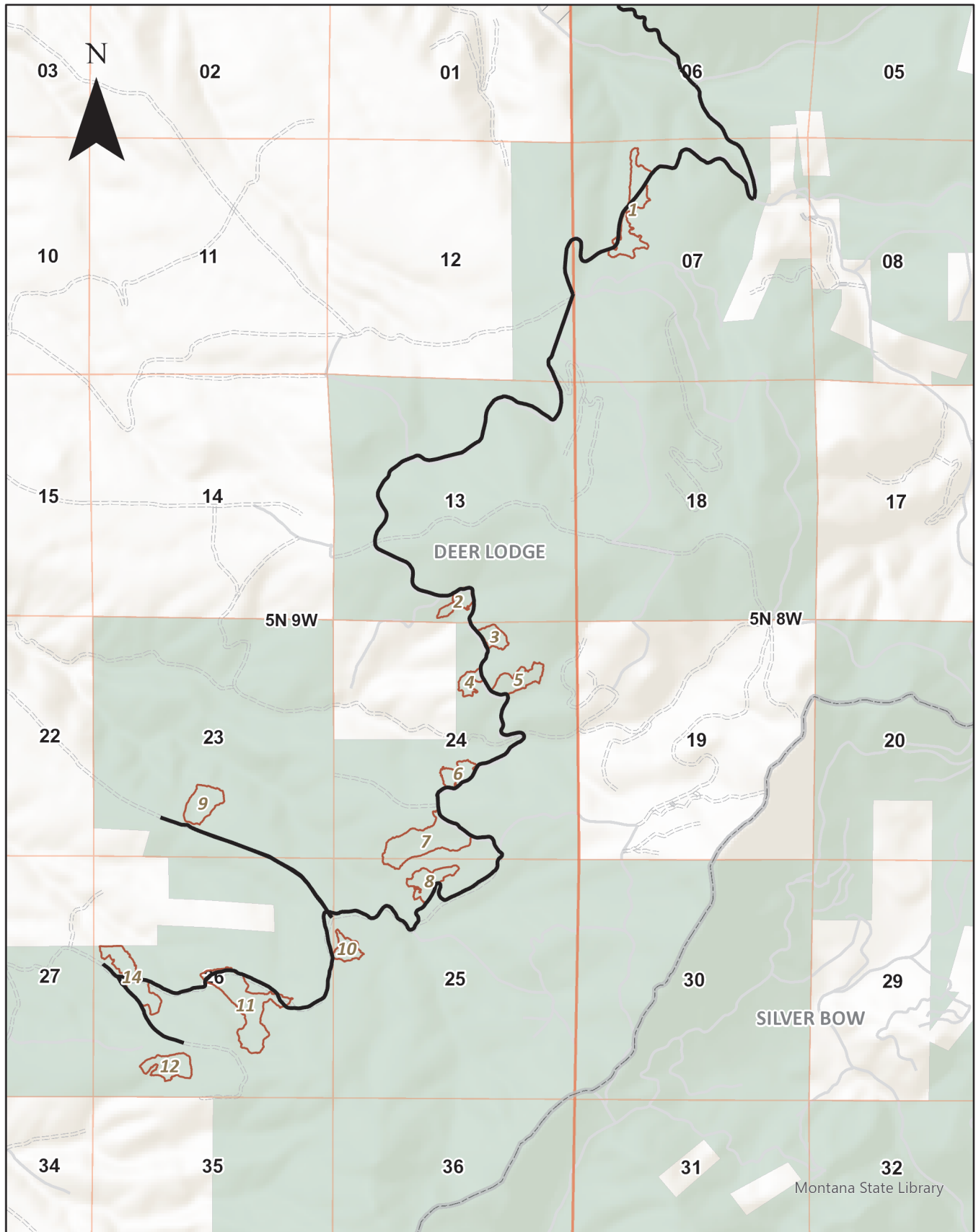
GNA East Deerlodge Aspen Restoration Timber Sale Reroute Detail Map



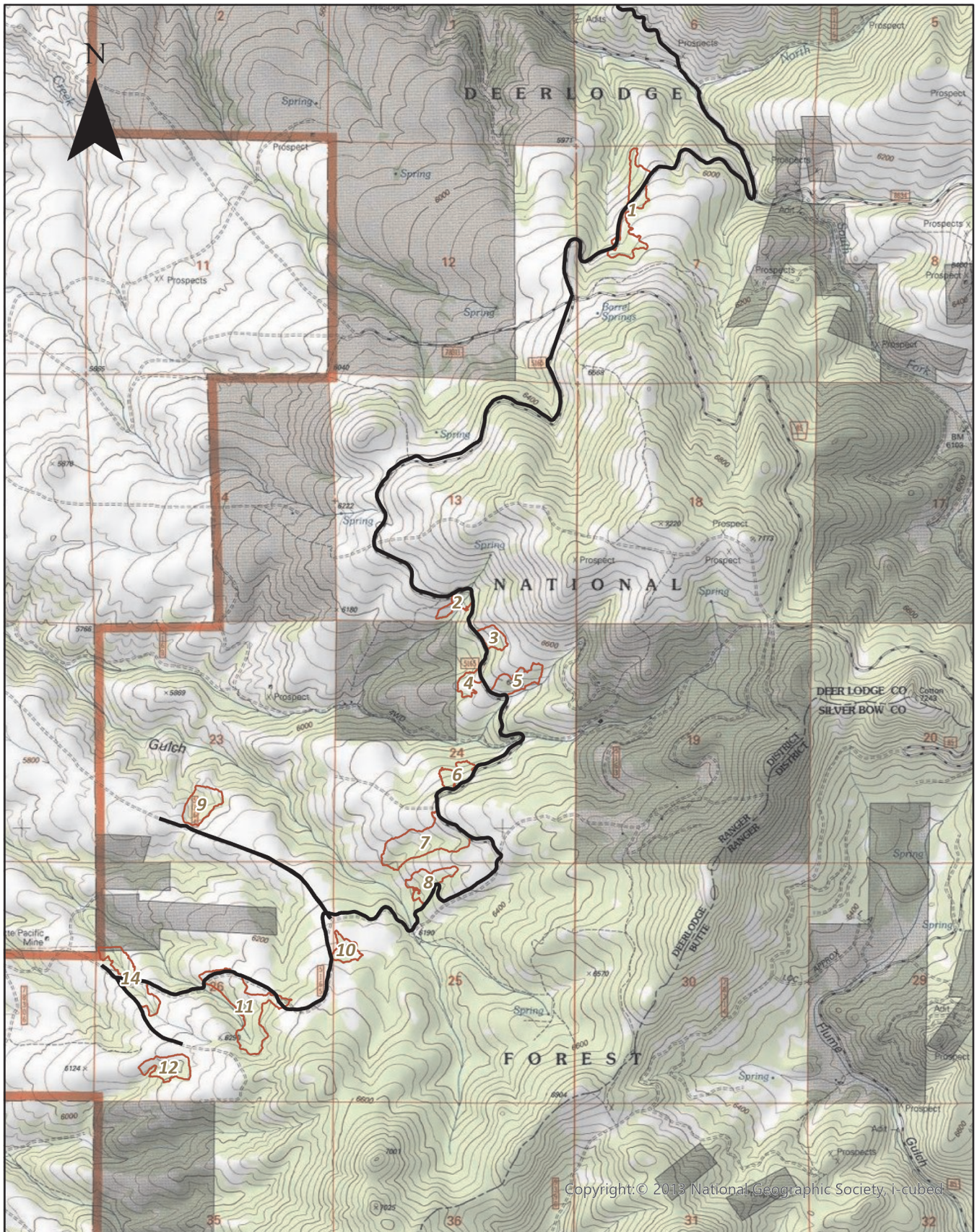
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Haul Route and Road Work Map



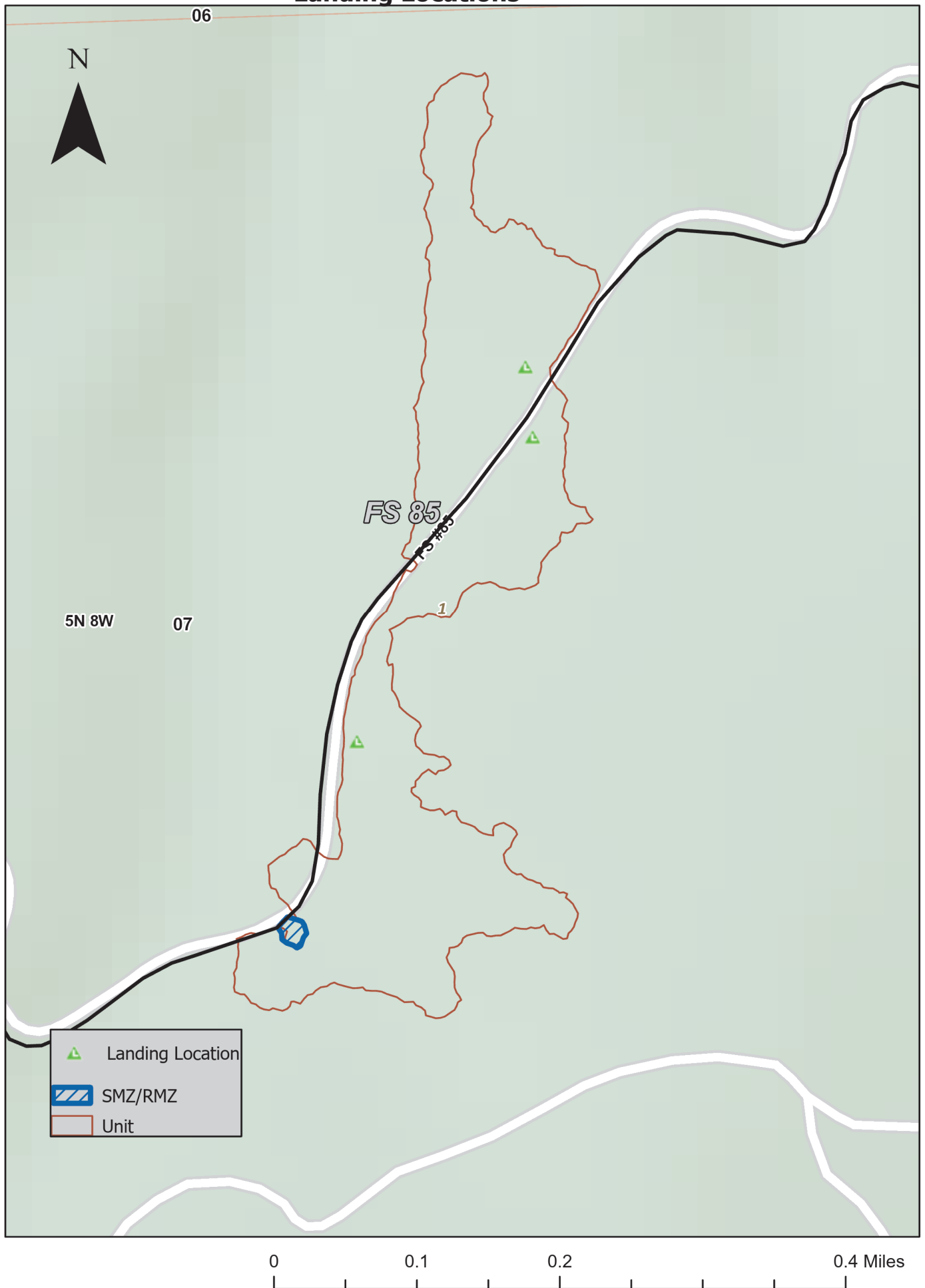
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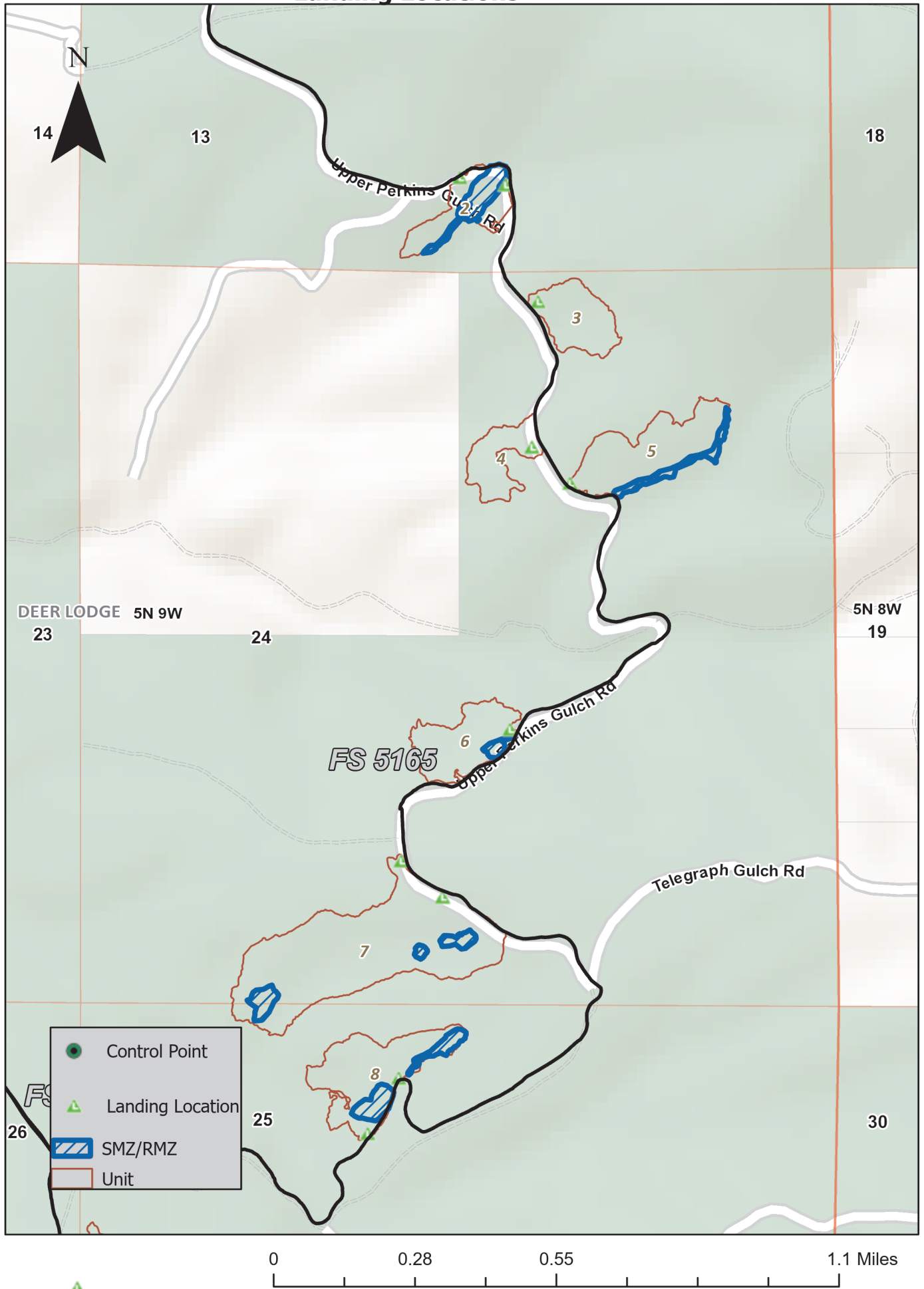
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Unit 1 SMZ and Potential Landing Locations



Units 2 - 8 SMZ and Potential Landing Locations



Units 9 - 14 SMZ and Potential Landing Locations

