

## NOTICE OF SALE

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

The GNA Garnet Range Road Timber Sale located in sections 32, 33, & 34 of T13N – R14W and in sections 3, 4, & 5 of T12N – R14W within the Missoula Field Office of the US Bureau of Land Management. Approximately 8,728 tons, consisting of mixed conifer sawlogs, and 872 tons consisting of mixed conifer pulp, firewood, and post/rail are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **August 27, 2020 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 **\$6,341.00** 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 <http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/trust/forest-management/timber-sale-information> for upcoming sales and bid results.

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

<b>Timber Sale Name: Range Road GNA</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-5877 406-360-2055	Nate Arno, GNA Forester	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
Phone			

**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 Bureau of Land Management (BLM) managed land being performed under the Good Neighbor Authority. Potential Purchasers should be aware that this is a partnership, between the Montana DNRC and the BLM, to increase the pace and Scale of forest restoration on BLM Lands. 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, BLM, and public attention on this timber sale. The DNRC and BLM 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 project design criteria 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. Winter harvest is required. Frozen soil conditions and a minimum of 6" of snow is required to protect archaeological resources. The Garnet Range Road is normally closed to all wheeled traffic from January 1 through April 30 of each year. During this period, only ½ of the road surface may be plowed in order to allow snowmobile access from the parking area near highway 200.
4. A pre-bid tour is scheduled for Thursday, August 20, 2020. We will meet at the parking area just off Highway 200 on the Garnet Range Road at 9:00 am. If you are interested in attending please RSVP by August 18<sup>th</sup> to Nate Arno at 406-360-2055 or Nathan.arno@mt.gov. If there are no interested parties, the pre-bid tour will be cancelled.

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

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Range Road GNA										
Timber Sale Cruise Data										
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	SAF	ES			Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton										
Pounds per cubic foot		62		56	55	57			40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)		6,200		955	177	339			1,057	8,728 tons
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)				53	12				807	872 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		1,012		133	43	59			276	1,523 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		12		11	36	11			27.7	15.3%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		891		118	28	53			200	1,290 MBF
Average logs per MBF		19.2		43.4	24.5	21.7			41.6	25.1 logs/M
Average DBH		14.2		8.2	13.4	11.9			9.5	11.3 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units										42 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units										
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale										6.2 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise										109
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between			1,104 and 1,473 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises							14.3%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	8,728 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 1,290 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									6.77 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract ending date	Sept. 15, 2023	
Operating Season:	October 1 thru April 15 as site and soil conditions allow	

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	10%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by ground lead (jammer)	
% of volume logged by skyline	
Yarding distance tractor (average)	500 ft.
Yarding distance ground lead (average)	
Yarding distance skyline (average)	
Estimated haul distance (paved)	31.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	6.0 miles

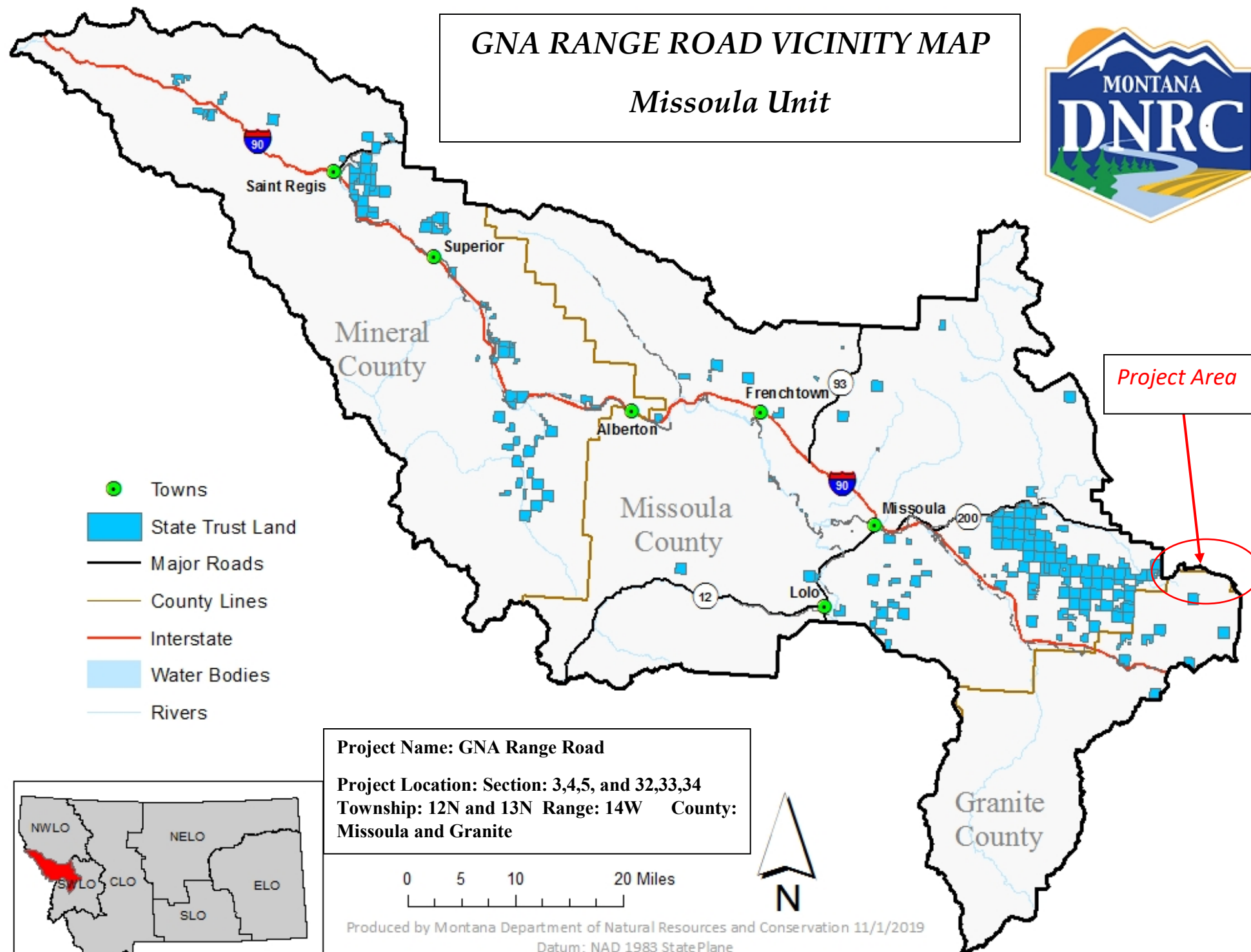
Purchaser Fees and Estimated Costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	N/A
Forest Improvement fee per ton	N/A
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	N/A
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	N/A
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$10,200.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$1.17/ton

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$0.00/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$37,844
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$4.34/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	
BLM road maintenance charges per ton	
Miles of temp road construction	0.1 miles
Miles of temp road reconstruction	0.4 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.2 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.5 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	8.6 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest date
1	33.77	1,551	230	
2	30.19	1,190	176	
3	28.71	1,129	167	
4	5.04	226	33	
5	3.2	77	11	
6	8.36	265	39	
7A	7.15	422	62	
7B	30.55	1,676	249	
8	24.8	1,017	150	
9	32.5	1,175	173	
	204 Ac.	8,728 tons	1,290 MBF	

# GNA RANGE ROAD VICINITY MAP

*Missoula Unit*



- Towns
- State Trust Land
- Major Roads
- County Lines
- Interstate
- Water Bodies
- Rivers

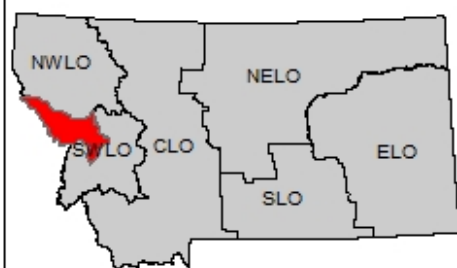
**Project Name:** GNA Range Road

**Project Location:** Section: 3,4,5, and 32,33,34  
Township: 12N and 13N Range: 14W County:  
Missoula and Granite

0 5 10 20 Miles



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MT HWY 200  
14 Miles to Clearwater Junction  
20 Miles to Bonner

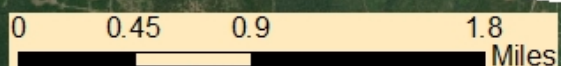
Garnet Range Road #0401  
9.5 Miles to MT HWY 200

**Range Road GNA Haul Route**

- MT HWY 200
- Garnet Range Road #0401
- Washoe Spur Road #0409
- Chicken Run Road #4617
- Temp Road #0401C
- Gross Sale Area 1250 Acres
- Treatment\_Units













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## Range Road GNA Sale Map

	Unit 1	33.77 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 2	30.19 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 3	28.71 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 4	5.04 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 5	3.2 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 6	8.36 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 7A	7.15 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 7B	30.55 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 8	24.8 Acres	Tractor
	Unit 9	32.5 Acres	Tractor



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Washoe Spur Road #0409

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Garnet Range Road #0401

Temp Road #0401A

7A

7B

Temp Road #0401B

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Chicken Run Road #4617

Temp Road #0401C

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0 0.15 0.3 0.6 Miles

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