

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Permit Sale

The GNA Gregg Fuels timber permit sale is located within sections 11 and 14 of T31N – R25W on the Flathead National Forest. Approximately 1,104 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, November 19, 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 **\$539.00** 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 Gregg Fuels		
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 advanced 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 underrun 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.
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:

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.
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. 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.
 - 2) EXCAVATOR PILING REQUIRED: In units 1 AND 4 the following requirements and specifications apply:
 - a. Piling will be completed with an excavator, Class EX2 (76-100 H.P.) or smaller, equipped with bucket and thumb, clamshell, double rake head or other slash piling implement head approved by the Forest Officer.
 - b. Prior to operation, the Purchaser's Supervisor and Forest Officer will visit each harvest unit and agree on piling needs and acreage to be treated.
 - c. Operations will be conducted under dry or frozen soil conditions only. The Forest Officer may temporarily suspend operations under unfavorable operating conditions.
 - d. 8 tons/acre of woody debris 3 inches or larger in diameter will be left on site.
 - e. All piles will be clean, 6 feet or greater in height, and compacted with piling equipment to a sufficient degree to allow complete burning.
 - f. No piles will be constructed within 20 feet of residual trees, or underneath any portion of the crown of a residual tree. If spacing of residual trees makes this impractical, piles will be constructed in the largest openings available.
 - g. The operator will avoid damaging residual trees and will avoid displacement of soil during piling operations.
 - 3) SKYLINE YARDING REQUIREMENTS: A skyline yarding system capable of yarding 1,600-2,000 feet external yarding distance uphill must be used. A carriage capable of 50 feet minimum lateral yarding distance is required. The carriage must maintain a fixed position on the skyline while lateral yarding.
 - a. Skyline corridors shall be spaced not less than 75 feet apart unless approved by the Forest Officer. In the case of ridges where fan-shaped settings are required, the minimum distance at the widest divergence will be 150 feet.
 - b. The location of all skyline corridors shall be approved by the Forest Officer in advance of any felling operations.
 - c. Purchaser will be required to locate the following prior to approval by the Forest Officer:
 - all corridors after determining adequate deflection (minimum 5%)
 - tail trees or tail holds
 - intermediate support tree
 - guyline anchors
 - blind leads
 - decking areas
 - d. Clearing width for corridors must be kept to the absolute minimum necessary to accommodate yarding and shall not exceed 12 feet.
 - e. Except for lateral yarding, logs shall be yarded with one end suspended or fully suspended.

f. Multispan skyline yarding required: To obtain adequate deflection, intermediate supports may be required on some corridors.

g. High tail trees required: Tail trees or lift trees suitable to obtain adequate deflection may be required.

When rigging is attached to trees not designated for cutting, tree plates or similar effective protective devices may be required and will be removed at completion of use.

i. Mobile tailholds or mobile guyline anchors are restricted to areas where it is not necessary to build constructed trails for equipment access unless agreed upon in writing by the Forest Officer. **(Applies to Unit 1)**

j. In the event that special problems outside the scope of the skyline logging specifications are identified by either party, the Purchaser and the Forest Officer will mutually agree upon the solution.

- 4) ALTERNATE YARDING SYSTEMS MAY BE APPROVED: The Forest Officer may approve alternative yarding methods besides those specified for each sale unit. An alternative system proposed by the Purchaser must be approved by the Forest Officer at or before the time the Logging Operations Plan for the unit is approved. The Forest Officer will only approve alternatives that are consistent with planned mitigation and resource protection measures. Alternatives may include tethered equipment, winter ground based or cut-to-length systems, Costs of alternative systems will be borne by the Purchaser. **(Applies to Unit 1)**

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

GNA Gregg Fuels												
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		56.0	57.0			55.0			40.0	
Estimated CF		5690.3		26254.3	272.3			11911.4			0.0	44,128 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material		39.4		2446.9	67.6			977.2			0.0	3,531 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs		158		692	7			248			0	1,104 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		5		116	12			37			0	170 tons
Gross MBF		28		92	1			45			0	166 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		10.0		5.8	15.0			25.9			0.0	12.0%
Net MBF		25		87	1			33			0	146 MBF
Average logs per MBF		18.3		42.2	94.5			42.3			0.0	38.3 logs/MBF
Average DBH		14.3		8.3	7.0			8.5			0.0	8.6 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												33 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre												4.4 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut												160
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between			107 and 185 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									26.9%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	1,104 estimated tons / 146 Net MBF											7.56 tons/MBF

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

Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	50%
% of volume logged with tractors	63%
% of volume logged by skyline	37%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	400 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	\$4,900

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Yarding distance skyline (average)	900 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	30.3 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	8.5 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	\$9,381.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$8.50/ton

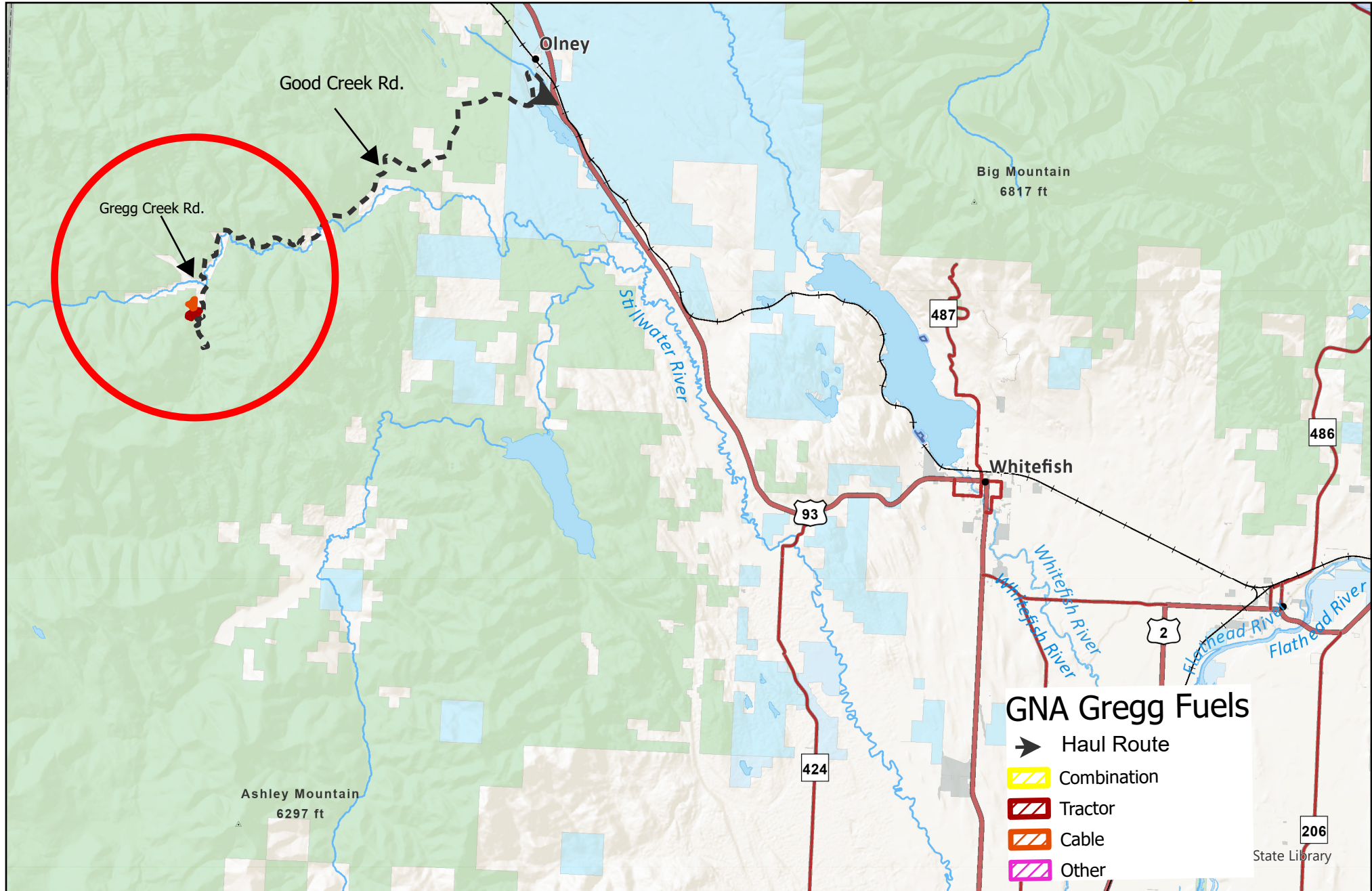
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$4.44/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.0 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	8.5 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
1	12.81	474	63	March 31st 2028
4	4.84	258	34	March 31st 2028
3A	1.60	25	3	March 31st 2028
3B	8.40	154	20	March 31st 2028
3C	5.91	192	25	March 31st 2028
	34 Ac.	1,104 tons	146 MBF	



GNA Gregg Fuels Break Haul Map

Attachment A-2



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9/15/2025

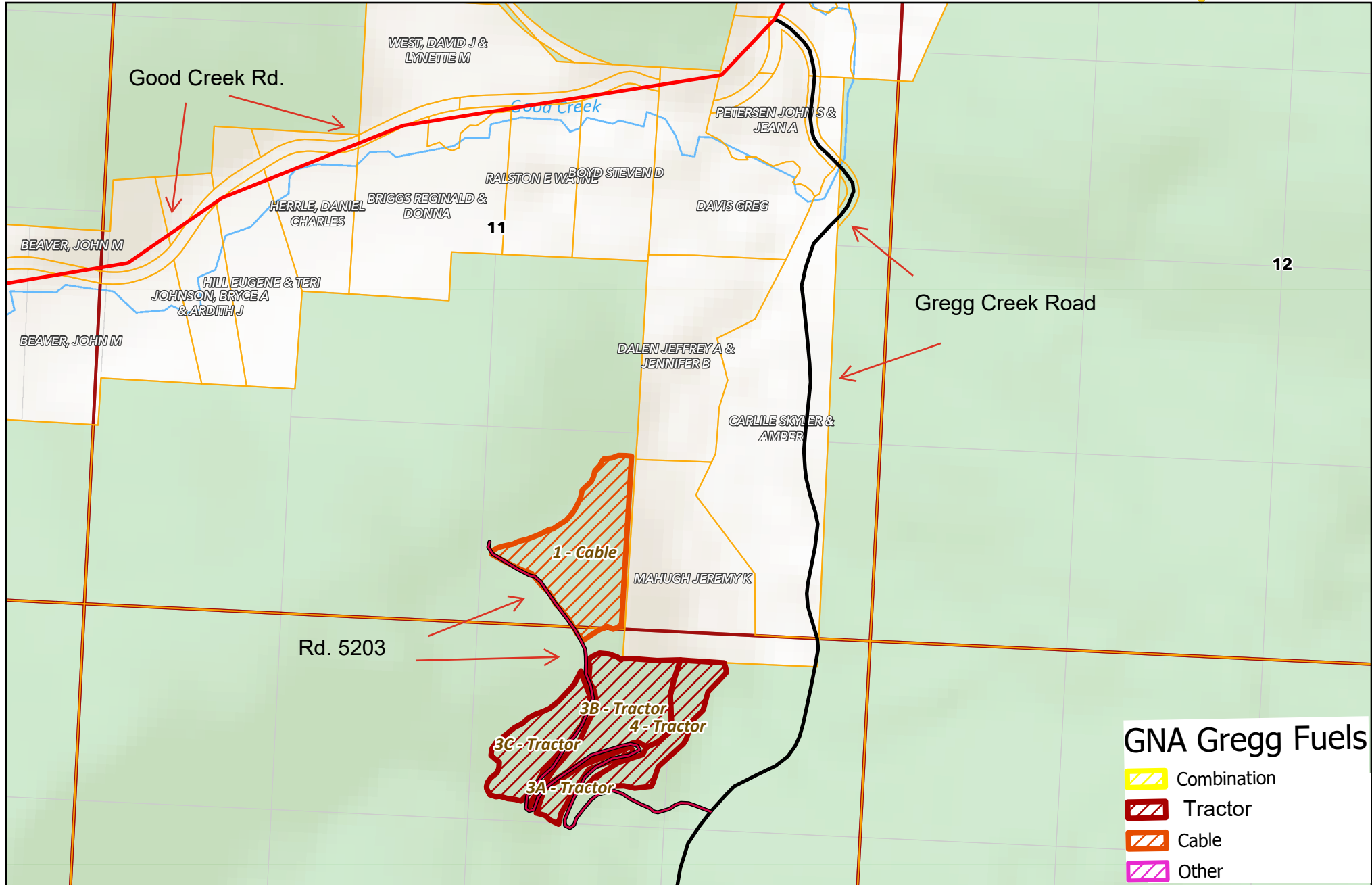
Sale area is located ~ 20 miles NW of Whitefish, MT

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GNA Gregg Fuels Sale Map

Attachment A-1 Unit Map



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