

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The GNA Hoodoo Deck Salvage Timber Permit is located within Section 28 of T29N - R31W and Section 12 of T30N - R29W on the Kootenai National Forest. Approximately 510 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 May 15th 2024 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 **\$500.00**, 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), or the Libby Unit Office located in Libby (406-283-3528).

Visit our website at <https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Forest-Products/timber-sales> for upcoming sales and bid results.

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

Timber Sale Name: GNA Hoodoo Deck Salvage			
For specific sale information, contact:			
Phone	406-304-7689	Jodi Turk, GNA Forester	Libby Unit
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	GNA Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2240	Northwestern Land Office	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. At rates specified in the Contract, the purchaser will pay **Forest Improvement Fees** on all sawlog volume. All applicable **Road Use and/or Maintenance fees** will also be paid by the Purchaser in addition to stumpage payments.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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.
13. 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 deck salvage 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. 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. **It is the purchaser's responsibility to familiarize themselves with environmental policies that apply within the sale area and main transportation routes for this type of timber sale.**
3. Unlike DNRC Trust Lands Timber Sales, no Forest Improvement Fees will be charged.
4. Unlike Forest Service Timber Sales, all deposits such as KV, BD, and Road Deposits are included in the stumpage value and accounted for between the DNRC and Forest Service.
5. This deck salvage timber sale was cruised and compiled using Forest Service measurements, procedures, and computer programs.
6. LOG BRANDING: This contract is subject to the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 USC 620, et seq.).
7. There are 4 deck areas (units) located within the Hoodoo deck salvage sale. All decks are located roadside along **NFSR #6203, #6203D and #99546** in the Bear Creek drainage area, 14.14 mi South of Libby, MT. **Use of a mule train, pup or similar means of transporting short logs will be necessary.**
8. **The material has been processed to the utilization standards and preferred lengths specified in attachment G.**
9. **The Purchaser is required to haul Other Material. The Purchaser may elect to haul Other Material to a specified location on National Forest System Lands as directed by the Forest Officer. A site in the Libby vicinity has been designated.**
10. The Purchaser will be required to pile and consolidate all logging slash and material not hauled to an agreed upon location for future disposal as determined by the Forest Officer, according to Section VII.G.1 PURCHASER REQUIRED PILING.
11. OPERATING PERIOD: Operating period is limited to periods when soil moisture is dry, the ground is frozen, or snow covered to minimize compaction, displacement, or erosion (see Section VII.L.1&2).
12. Roads are to be maintained in their current state. **It is the purchaser's responsibility to ensure that any road surface disturbances from sale area to pavement at Bear Creek Rd. are mitigated and/or repaired as necessary during operations until hauling is complete. Blading of road surface from sale area to junction of NFSR #6203 & NFSR #867(Cherry Creek Rd.) will be required post-haul.**
13. All processing, hauling, and roadwork will be required to be completed by the **contract termination date: September 30th, 2024.**
14. Electronic GPS compatible maps are available by contacting Jodi Turk, 406-304-7689.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

GNA HOODOO DECK SALVAGE												
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All Cut)												
SPECIES	0	WL	LP	PP	DF	Other Mat						TOTAL or AVE
Pounds per cubic foot	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs	0	77	121	161	151	0	0	0	0	0	0	510 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material	0	0	0	0	0	373	0	0	0	0	0	373 tons
Gross MBF	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0%
Net MBF	0	13	21	28	26	0	0	0	0	0	0	89 MBF
Average logs per MBF	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 logs/MBF
Average DBH	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0 in.
Average tons to cut per acre	→											0 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre	→											0.0 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut	→											0
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	510 estimated tons / 89 Net MBF											5.73 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract Termination Date:	9/30/2024
Operating Period:	When conditions meet VII.L.1 a-c and VII.L.2

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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 skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (hand)	0%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	53.2 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	3.4 miles

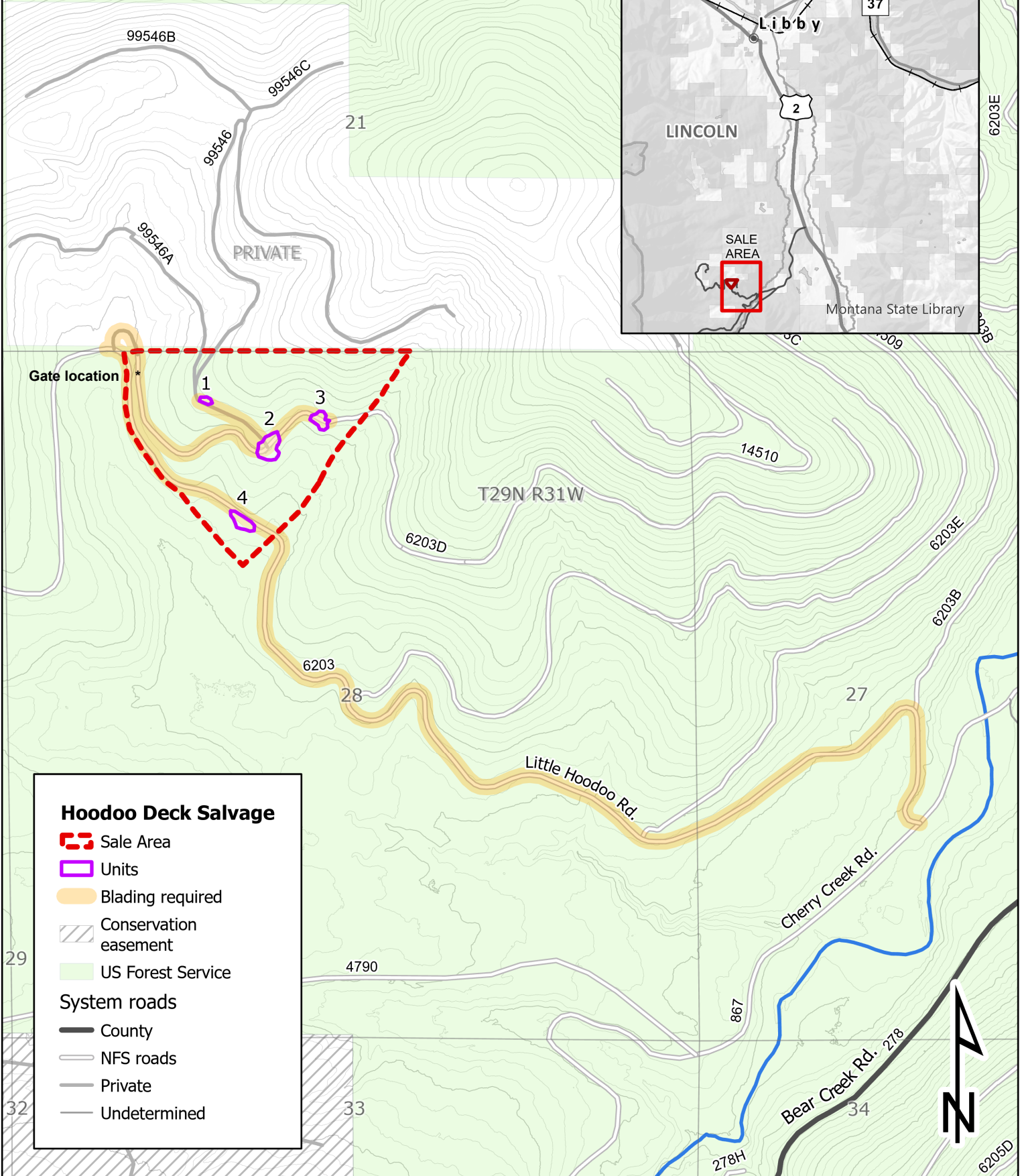
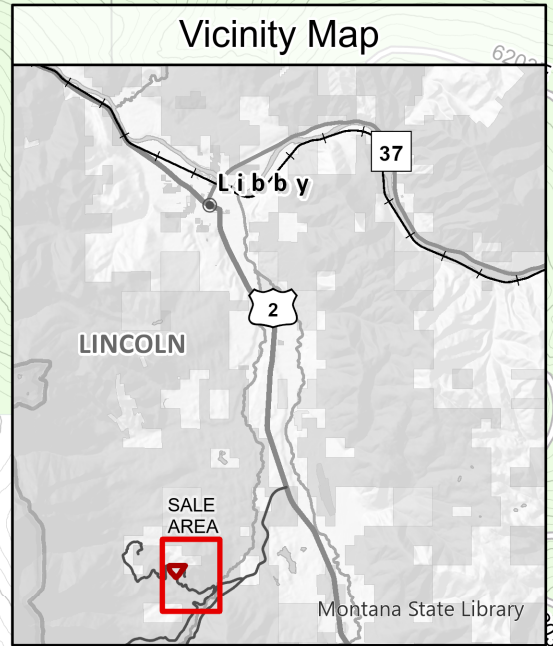
Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$0.00/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$0.00/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$0.00
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do Environmental Cost total \$	\$298
Estimated Purchaser-do Environmental Cost per ton	\$0.58/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$300.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.59/ton

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	\$448
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.88/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.04/ton
Miles of temporary 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	3.4 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
ALL	1.30	510	89	September 30, 2024
	1 Ac.	510 tons	155 MBF	



GNA Hoodoo Deck Salvage TS
Libby Ranger District, Kootenai NF

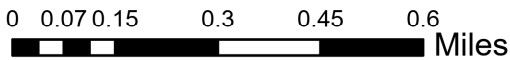


Hoodoo Deck Salvage

- Sale Area
- Units
- Blading required
- Conservation easement
- US Forest Service

System roads

- County
- NFS roads
- Private
- Undetermined



Attachment A

Contours: 25ft

12/4/2023 : CND234
 P. J. Sloan