

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The GNA Mo Joe timber sale is located within sections 26, 27, 28, 31, 32, 33, and 34 of T18N – R28W, PB41, PB42, and PB43 of T17N – R28W, and 10, 11, 12, PB37, PB38, and PB39 of T17N – R29W on the Lolo National Forest. Approximately 119,716 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, August 27th, 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 **\$33,512** 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 below 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 Mo Joe			
For specific sale information, contact:			
Phone	406-531-0265	Brian Cannata	Southwest Land Office
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Missoula DNRC Main Office	GNA Bureau

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. Unlike DNRC Trust Lands Timber Sales, no Forest Improvement Fees will be charged.
4. The Timber sale was cruised and compiled using DNRC procedures and computer programs.
5. LOG BRANDING: This contract is subject to the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 USC 620, et seq.). The Purchaser must comply with log branding and accounting rules in Attachment E.
6. 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 a-c and VII.L.2).
7. The Purchaser is required to complete the sale in accordance with VII.E. TABLE 3 HARVEST COMPLETION SCHEDULE. All harvest operations must be completed by 3/1/2030. Unit Rehab and Road Closeout must be completed by 11/1/2030.
8. Cut, skid, and haul of Other Material is required in accordance with contract section VII.C.2 and TREES DESIGNATED FOR CUTTING and LOG MANUFACTURING AND RECOVERY STANDARDS in Table 2. Such material shall be billed at the rate for Other Material shown in Table 1.
9. All Harvest Units utilize Designation by Prescription (DxP) and Species Designation (SD). Operators will be required to select appropriate leave trees as detailed in unit harvest prescriptions (see Section VII. F. UNIT DESIGNATIONS) and under the direction of the Forest Officer.
10. TETHERED felling operations will be required in all harvest units with slopes exceeding 40% slope (see Section VII. F. UNIT DESIGNATIONS).
11. YARDING: Skyline or Tethered yarding approved.
12. TEMPORARY ROAD CONSTRUCTION is required to access all or portions of the following units: J01, J04, J06, J07, J09, J10, X25, X26, X27, X28, T36, T38. All temporary roads will be recontoured prior to contract expiration and after the respective units are accepted as complete. See Attachments A and B for temp road locations and specifications.
13. An optional pre-bid tour of the sale area will be held on **8/6/2025 at 9:00am**. Please RSVP to Brain Cannata at 406-531-0265 by 7/31/2025 @ 5PM to RSVP and for specific meeting location. If no one responds by this date the field tour will be cancelled.
14. From St. Regis, MT, Head west on I-90 for 3 miles to Exit 30: TWO MILE RD. Head West on Ridge Top Rd for 0.3 miles to Junction with Two Mile Rd. Access to all units is up Two Mile Rd (FR 431).
15. Access to a majority of the units is behind a locked gate at mile 10.6 on FR 431, call Brain Cannata at 406-531-0265 for combination to lock and/or to obtain Electronic GPS compatible maps.

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Timber Sale Cruise Data											
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	SAF	GF	WRC	Dead	TOTAL or AVE	
Minimum Bid per ton											
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0	56.0	60.0	44.0	40.0		
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)		69,885	19,193	3,511	4,675	3,720	12,119	4,876	1,736	119,716 tons	
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)		905	61	120	34	213	334	75	9267	11,009 tons	
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		12,219	4,158	643	991	773	2,252	1,220	941	23,196 MBF	
% Cull and Breakage		10	13	13	14	19	14	15		13.4%	
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)		10,985	3,626	560	849	625	1,940	1,036	459	20,080 MBF	
Average logs per MBF		18.5	13.7	25.1	15.9	24.9	19.4	15.8		19.0 logs/M	
Average DBH		13.5	16.1	11	13	11.4	12.7	14.6		13.2 in.	
Average tons per acre harvested											59.8 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale											10.03 MBF/ac
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between			19,036 and 21,125 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises							5.2%	
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet											
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	119,716 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 20,080 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									5.96 tons/MBF	

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	11/1/2030	
Operating Period:	As soil conditions allow (Section VII. L. 1 & 2) or as directed by the Forest Officer.	

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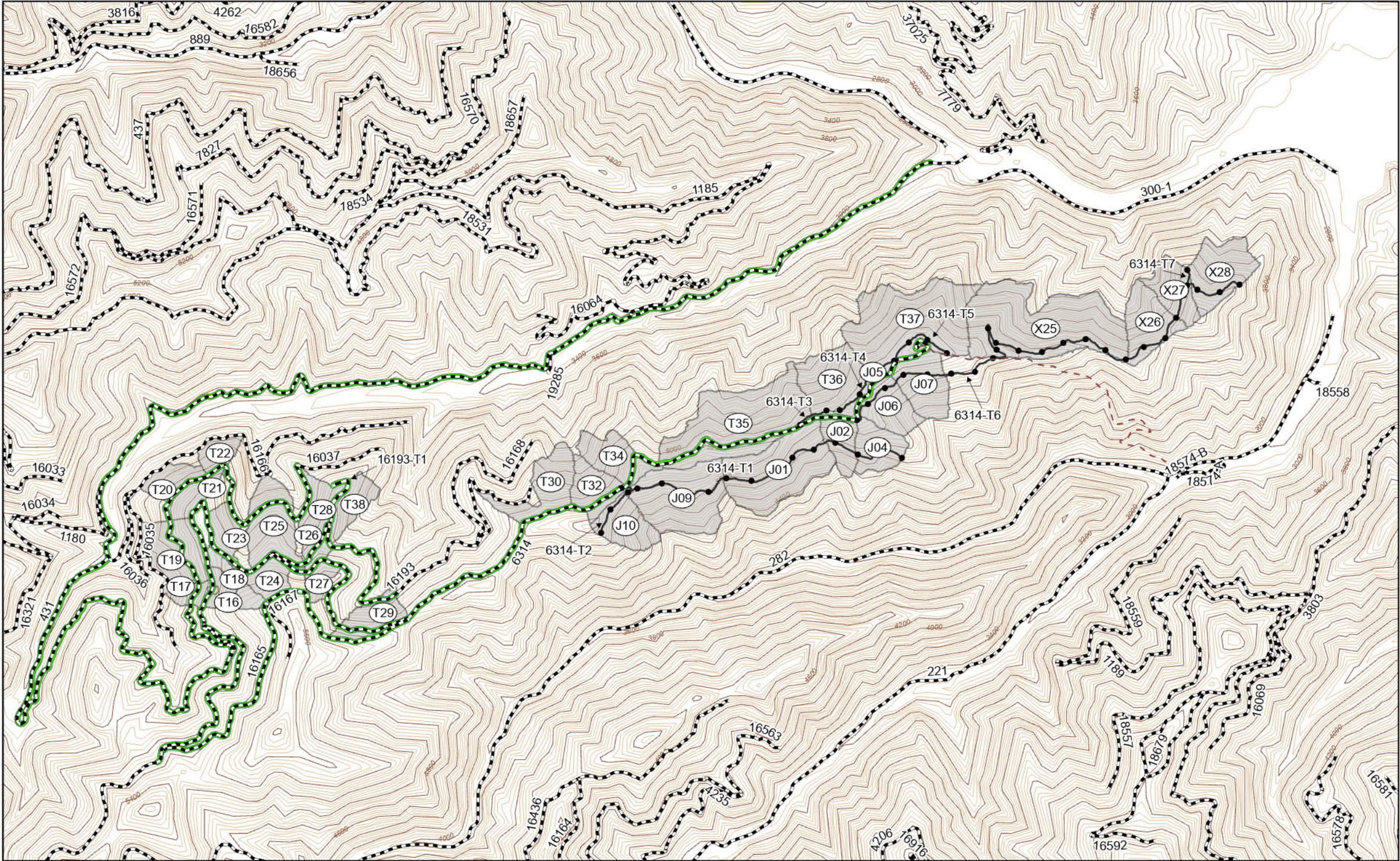
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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	83%
% of volume logged with tractors	03%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by tether (specify)	97%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	800 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	
Yarding distance thether (average)	1000 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	55.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	16.0 miles

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$391,480
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$3.27/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$19.50/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$119,211
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$1.00/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of Temp road construction	7.2 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles
Miles of Temp road reclamation and recountouring	7.2 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	25.0 miles

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Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Deadline
J01	131	6234	1046	3/1/2030
J02	33	2251	378	
J04	45	3245	544	
J05	27	1889	317	
J06	50	3482	584	
J07	61	3190	535	
J09	117	6403	1074	
J10	49	1589	267	
T16	18	1448	243	
T17	21	1731	290	
T18	25	1107	186	
T19	76	3228	541	
T20	31	2112	354	
T21	30	2094	351	
T22	23	1500	252	
T23	29	1872	314	
T24	32	2636	442	
T25	79	5845	980	
T26	31	1924	323	
T27	20	1325	222	
T28	24	1463	245	
T29	48	4575	767	
T30	65	3118	523	
T32	45	1883	316	
T34	51	2043	343	
T35	177	11388	1910	
T36	75	2669	448	
T37	169	10607	1779	
T38	36	2878	483	
X25	205	13531	2270	
X26	61	3099	520	
X27	46	2230	374	
X28	72	5126	860	
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Mo Joe Sale Area
Lolo National Forest
Superior Ranger District
Southwest Land Office
MT DNRC

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Unit	Acres	Treatment Type	Logging System
J01	131	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
J02	33	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
J04	45	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
J05	27	Regeneration Harvest	Tractor
J06	50	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
J07	61	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
J09	117	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
J10	49	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T16	18	Intermediate Harvest	Tethered
T17	21	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T18	25	Intermediate Harvest	Tractor
T19	76	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T20	30	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T21	30	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T22	24	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T23	29	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T24	32	Regeneration Harvest	Combination
T25	80	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T26	31	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T27	20	Regeneration Harvest	Combination
T28	24	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T29	48	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T30	65	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T32	45	Intermediate Harvest	Tethered
T34	52	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T35	177	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T36	75	Intermediate Harvest	Tethered
T37	169	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
T38	36	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
X25	205	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
X26	61	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
X27	46	Intermediate Harvest	Tethered
X28	72	Regeneration Harvest	Tethered
Total	2002		



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Forest Service System Roads

MoJoe Treatment Units

Haul Route

Temporary Road Construction

North Fork Little Joe Ridge Trail 201

Sale Vicinity

