NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Game 36 Timber Sale is located within Section 36, T13N-R17W; Section 31, T13N-R16W; and Section 2, T12N-R17W on the State's Missoula Unit. Approximately 15,772 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 **June 7**, **2022 at 2:00 p.m.** Bids may be hand delivered or mailed and will be accepted any time prior to the bid opening. DNRC recommends that bidders contact the Trust Land Management 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 \$5,686.00**, 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, Trust Land Management 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

Timber Sale Name: 36 Game Timber Sale

For specific sale information, contact: Scott Allen

Phone 406-542-5810 Missoula Unit Office

For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:

Phone 406-542-4300 Forest Management Bureau DNRC Missoula Office

Phone 406-542-4200 Southwestern Land Office Missoula 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 Forest Management Bureau, Trust Land Management 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. <u>The State strongly recommends that bidders make their own estimates based on Contract requirements.</u> 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 <u>are not guaranteed</u>.
- 13. <u>This prospectus is provided for information purposes only.</u> If the prospectus is in error or contradicts the Timber Sale Contract, the Contract governs.

Additional Sale Information:

- 1. PROSPECTIVE BIDDERS ARE STRONGLY ENCOURAGED TO <u>VISIT TIMBER SALE AREA</u>. Arrangements can be made with Scott Allen, Missoula Unit DNRC (406) 542-5810; for tours or access information <u>PRIOR</u> to visiting sale area.
- 2. Weed Spraying is required in this contract, it shall be done by a commercial applicator licensed by the State of Montana or by personnel under the direct supervision of the licensed applicator. All herbicide applications shall follow EPA label requirements. Any weed control must comply with the current standards of the County Weed Board and as directed by the Forest Officer.
- 3. 4 CMP's (corrugated metal pipes) are required to be PURCHASED and installed on the 36 Game haul route. See attachment B; B-2 MATERIALS FURNISHED AND INSTALLED BY THE PURCHASER:
- 4. Harvest Unit 3 is a combination of tractor and skyline harvest. An excaline or standard yarder may be used, however it is anticipated that temporary road or trail construction will be needed. A yarding plan must be approved by the Forest Officer. It is recommended to have a pre-planned approved by the Missoula Unit prior to bidding.
- 5. Harvest Unit stand conditions are variable; defect, harvest volume, average cut DBH vary greatly throughout the timber sale. It is highly recommended to visit the sale area and/or speak with a Missoula Unit staff member prior to bidding.

Timber Sale Information Sheet Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

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Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All Cut)											
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton											\$7.21
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0			55.0			
Estimated tons of sawlogs		9386	1872	2173	567			1774			15,772 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		210	45	263	8			79			606 tons
Gross MBF		1296	299	263	94			285			2,237 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		10.0	11.0	6.0	11.0			18.0			10.9%
Net MBF		1164	265	247	84			235			1,994 MBF
Average logs per MBF		25.6	26.4	46.8	23.5			36.3			29.5 logs/MBF
Average DBH		11.3	11.0	7.8	12.9			9.7			10.1 in.
Average tons to cut per acre						34 tons/ac					
Average MBF to cut per acre						4.4 MBF/ac					
Total Average TPA Cut						122					
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between 1,743 and 2,244 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises						12.6%					
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet											
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet 15,772 estimated tons / 1,994 Net MBF						7.91 tons/MBF					

Contract Information					
Contract Termination Date:	11/1/2025				
Operating Period:	Contract Award Date - November 1, 2025				

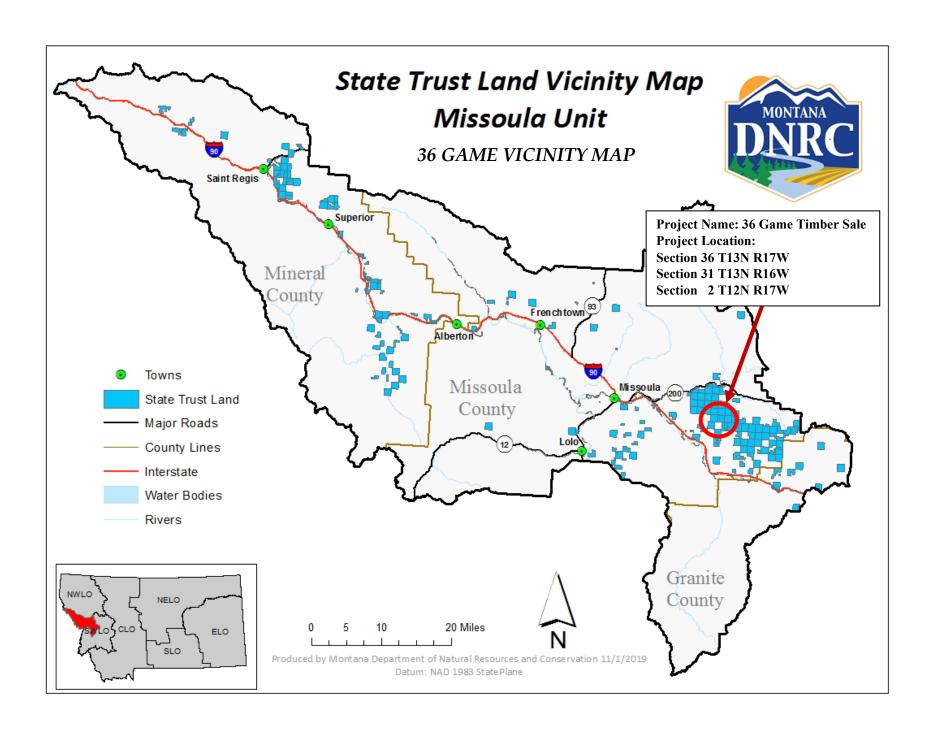
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Logging Information					
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	10%				
% of volume logged with tractors	52%				
% of volume logged by skyline	48%				
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%				
Yarding distance tractor (average)	800 ft.				
Yarding distance skyline (average)	750 ft.				
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.				
Estimated haul distance (paved)	35.0 miles				
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	15.0 miles				

Purchaser fees and estimated costs					
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$24.25/MBF				
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$3.07/ton				
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$48,420.04				
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$8,070.01				
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0				
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton				
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00				
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton				

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates				
Estimated road development cost total	\$67,394			
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$4.27/ton			
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$33.81/MBF			
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$31,673			
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$2.01/ton			
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton			
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton			
Miles of road construction	1.0 miles			
Miles of road reconstruction	3.2 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	18.0 miles			

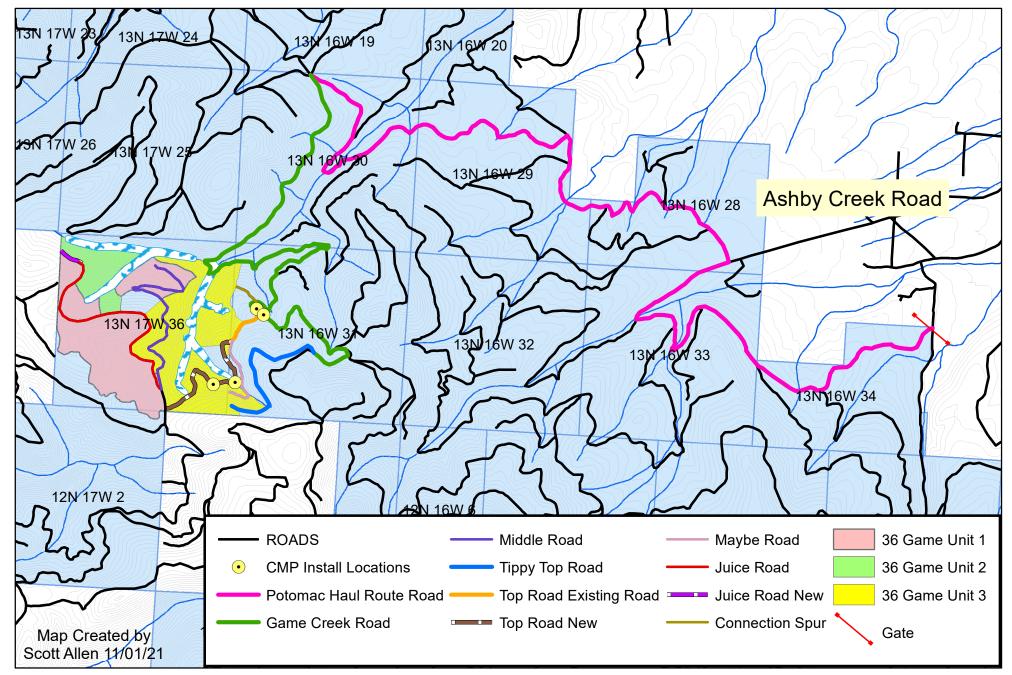
Unit harvest volume							
Unit#	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline			
Unit 1	214	9282	1173	September 1, 2025			
Unit 2	52	1138	144	September 1, 2025			
Unit 3	214	5352	677	September 1, 2025			
	480 Ac.	15,772 tons	1,994 MBF				





36 GameTimber Sale Haul Route







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