

## NOTICE OF SALE

### Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Hart Creek Timber Sale is located within Section 3, T2N-R19W on the State's Hamilton Unit. Approximately 6,196 tons, consisting primarily of Douglas-fir and ponderosa pine sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **November 16, 2021, 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 \$2,389.00**, 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**

<b>Timber Sale Name: Hart Creek</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact: Thayer Jacques</b>			
Phone	406-210-0373	Hamilton Unit Office	
<b>For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:</b>			
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. 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. Sample marking for all units (blue-leave tree) is located between the upper and middle road starting at the western property boundary. Harvest of undesignated timber: Favor healthy/vigorous ponderosa pine trees for leave. Target a residual basal area of 40 – 60. Where there is not sufficient PP to meet the residual BA, healthy DF will be left to maintain the minimum BA. Retain only disease-free DF with a minimum of 40% live crown to meet minimum BA requirements. On average, 20 – 40 foot stem spacing will result in the target BA range.
2. SLASHING OF LOGGING-DAMAGED TREES REQUIRED: The Purchaser shall fell all submerchantable trees with logging-related root or stem damage, causing lean. The stem shall be completely severed from the stump below the lowest live limb. Maximum stump height shall be 12 inches on the uphill side.
3. Contact Thayer Jacques, Hamilton Unit Forester, for access through gates on upper and middle road (406-210-0373).

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

<b>Hart Creek Timber Sale</b>										
<b>Timber Sale Cruise Data</b>										
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	WF	CE	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton										\$7.71
Pounds per cubic foot	62	62								
Estimated tons of sawlogs (5.6" top DIB)	1,920	4,276								<b>6,196 tons</b>
Estimated tons of other material (pulp, etc)	15	61								76 tons
Gross MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	280	507								787 MBF
% Cull and Breakage	7	12								10.3%
Net MBF (Scribner 5.6" top DIB)	262	444								706 MBF
Average logs per MBF	21.5	34.3								29.5 logs/MBF
Average DBH	13.7	12.2								12.5 in.
Average tons per acre harvested in leave-tree marked units										25 tons/ac
Average tons per acre harvested in cut-tree-marked units										0 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre on the timber sale										2.8 MBF/ac
Range of cut trees per acre based on unit cruise										55
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	593 and 819 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises									16.0%
<b>Tons Per Thousand Board Feet</b>										
Contract Value - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	6,196 estimated tons to a 5.6 inch top / 706 Net MBF Scribner to a 5.6 inch top DIB									8.78 tons/MBF

<b>Contract Information</b>	
Contract Termination Date:	Oct. 31, 2024
Operating Period:	Year Round when soil conditions allow

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<b>Logging Information</b>	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	100%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	500 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	122.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	12.0 miles

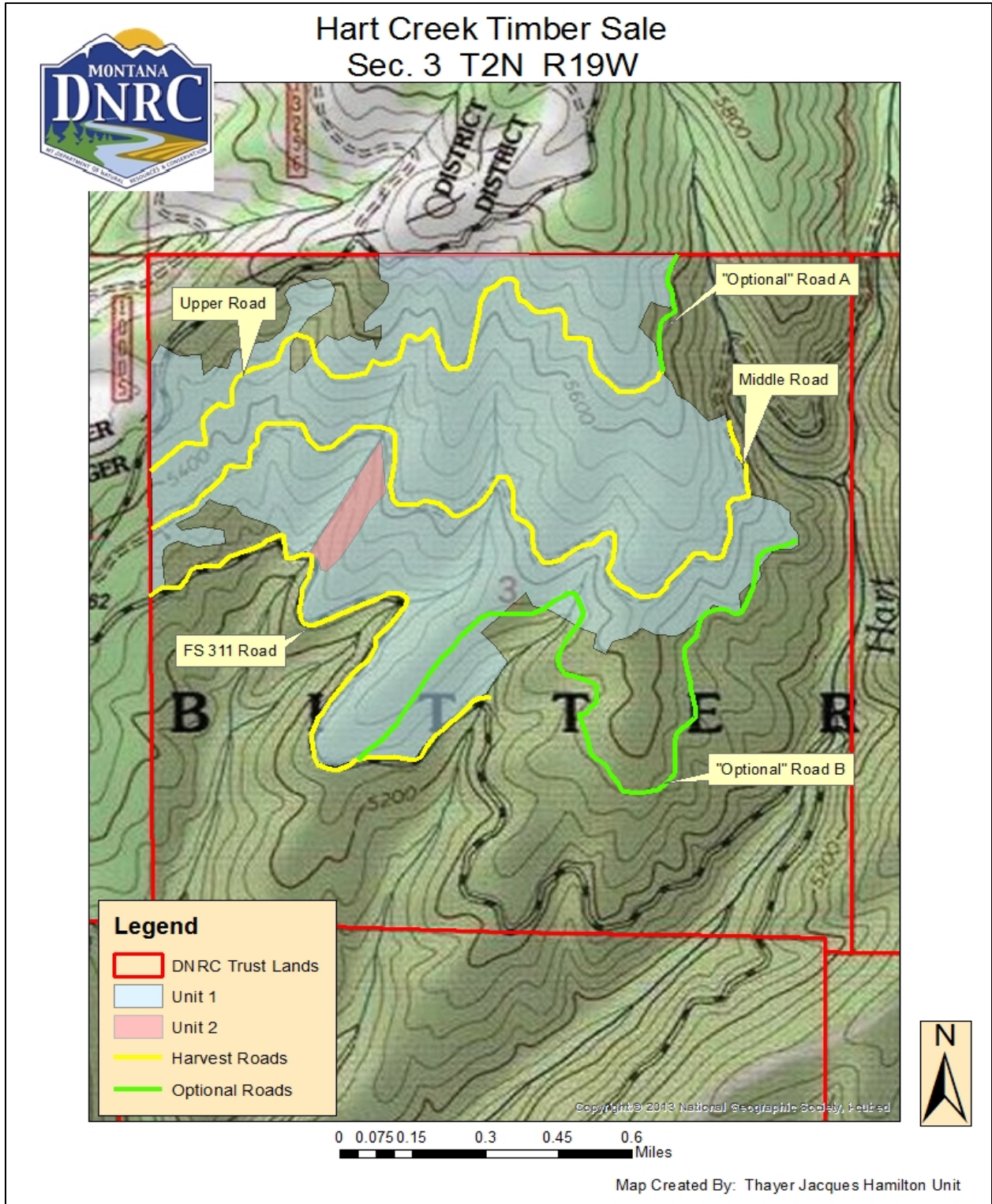
<b>Road development and maintenance fees and estimates</b>	
Estimated road development cost total	\$7,728
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$1.25/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$10.95/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$10,226
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$1.65/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	1.1 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	9.4 miles

<b>Purchaser fees and estimated costs</b>	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$24.25/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$2.76/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$17,100.96
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$2,850.16
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$10,000.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$1.61/ton

<b>Unit harvest volume</b>				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
1	240.34	5,949	678	Oct. 1, 2024
2	10	247	28	Oct. 1, 2024
	250 Ac.	6,196 tons	706 MBF	

STATE OF MONTANA  
TIMBER SALE CONTRACT  
ATTACHMENT A

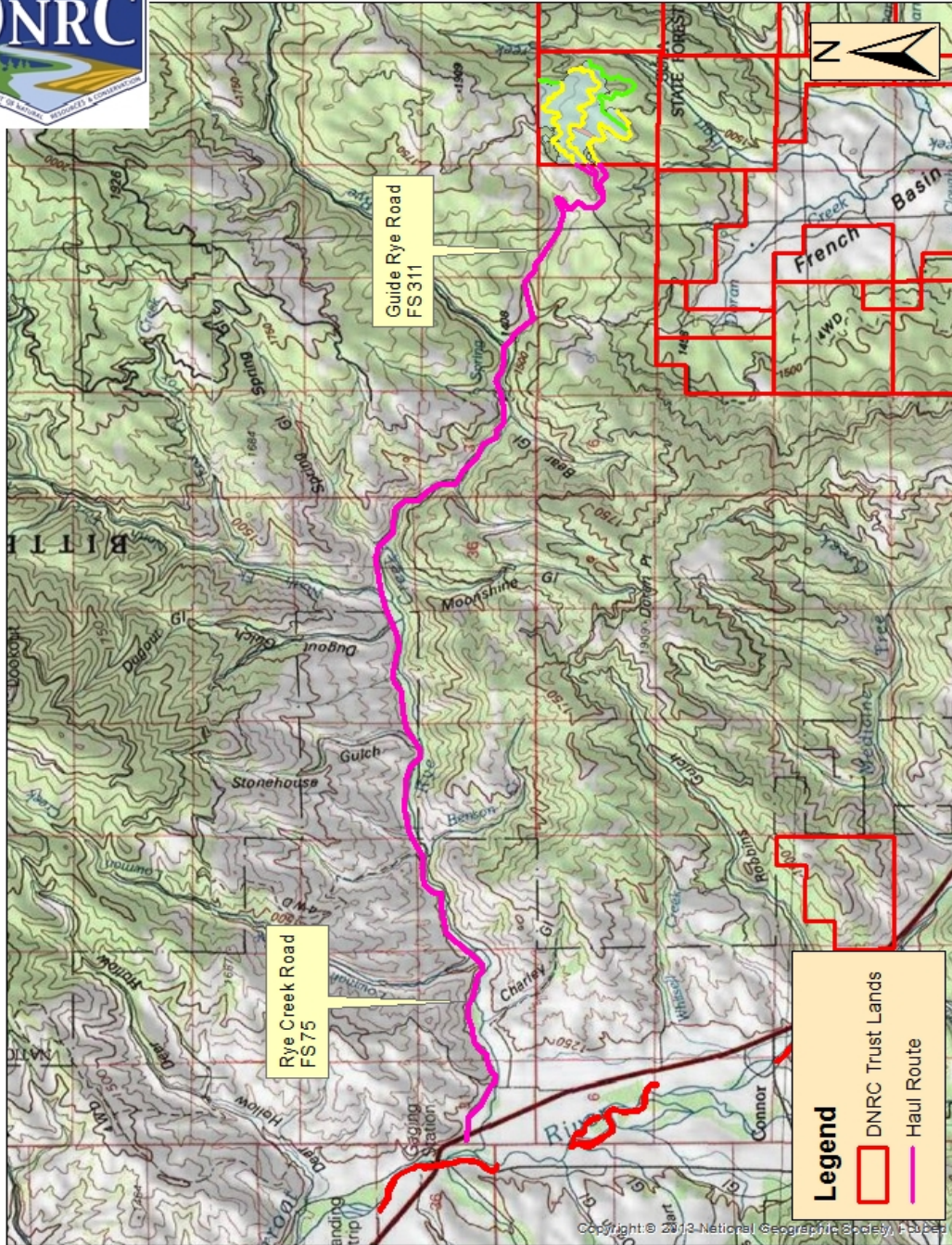
A-1 SALE MAP



A-2 HAUL ROUTE



### Hart Creek Timber Sale Haul Route



Map Created By: Thayer Jacques Hamilton Unit

**A-3 VICINITY MAP**

# State Trust Land Vicinity Map

## Hamilton Unit

HART CREEK VICINITY MAP



**Project Name:** Hart Creek  
**Project Location:**  
Section: 3 Township: 2N Range: 19W  
County: Ravalli

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

