

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The McCabe Meadow Timber Sale is located within Sections 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 28-30, 32, 33 T33N R23W & Sections 13, 24 T33N R24W on the State's Stillwater Unit. Approximately 31,969 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 28, 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 \$49,728.00** 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, 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: McCabe Meadows			
For specific sale information, contact: Aaron Shay			
Phone	406-881-2668	Unit Office: Stillwater	
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:			
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office
Phone	406-751-2240	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 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. All harvest units are “cut by description”. Riparian Management Zones (RMZs) within units have been marked to leave with an orange horizontal stripe at DBH. Specifications by unit are available in the contract.
2. Slashing is required in units 2, 3, 5, 7, 17, and 20. 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.
3. Roundwood/ Pulp removal is required in units 4, 6, 8, 10-13, 15, 16, 18, 19. Species as listed in the contract that meet the minimum manufacturing and recovery standards for roundwood logs shall be removed from the cutting unit and skidded to the landing areas. Hauling of this material is optional at \$1.00 per ton.
4. Post-and-Rail size western red cedar exists in varying quantities throughout the harvest units. The Stillwater encourages the Purchaser to find markets for this material. The Forest Officer will consider proposals from the Purchaser to maximize utilization of this material.
5. The “Unit 9 Road” is gated at the 0.8-mile marker. A key for **Lock #2246** will have to be checked out at the Stillwater Unit Main Office.
6. Unit 9 Road is at the bottom of “Dog Creek Hill” (MM 147.9). It is anticipated that hauling to the south will require trucks to first go north to Ewing Road (MM 150.7) to turn around so the truck can safely get up the aforementioned hill.
7. There are multiple Winter Recreation Land Use Licenses held within the Project area. Extra coordination and mitigations will be required for harvesting and hauling in winter months. The extra coordination during the winter includes the following:
 - Logging and Hauling in Units 17, 18, 19, and 20 will not be allowed December 1 – April 1 annually
 - Log hauling must be conducted during the normal work week (Monday – Friday)
 - Log hauling will not be conducted on holidays.
 - Communicate timelines, schedules, and changes with the Forest Officer allowing for time to make appropriate changes
 - Leave 1-to-2 inches of snowpack on haul route
 - Feather edges of berms for cross traffic on haul route
 - Communicate directly with recreation licensees to deconflict traffic
 - Logging operations will be restricted in units adjacent to trails used by licensees
 - Extra traffic signs will be required at intersections

Timber Sale Information Sheet
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McCabe Meadow											
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All Live Cut)											
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton											\$31.11
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0	60.0	44.0	55.0		40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs		2529	10538	5075	4053	1424	5578	2772		0	31,969 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		53	296	280	109	41	107	105		0	992 tons
Gross MBF		433	1980	728	723	238	1117	545		0	5,763 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		10.0	12.0	8.0	13.0	16.0	15.0	23.0		0.0	13.3%
Net MBF		392	1747	666	628	199	948	417		0	4,997 MBF
Average logs per MBF		17.6	21.7	36.5	24.2	27.2	29.7	34.9		0.0	26.5 logs/MBF
Average DBH		12.0	11.1	9.3	11.0	10.7	11.8	9.9		0.0	10.7 in.
Average tons to cut per acre	→										43 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre	→										6.7 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut	→										122
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	4,539 and 5,455 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises										9.2%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet											
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	31,969 estimated tons / 4,997 Net MBF										6.40 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract Termination Date:	8/31/2025
Operating Period:	When soil moisture conditions are met and June 16 to March 31 in units 1-3,5,8-15; July 1 to March 31 in units 4,6,&7; June 16 to December 1 in units 16-20

Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	30%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	650 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$58,395
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$1.83/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$11.69/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$11,030
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.35/ton

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Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	36.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	2.5 miles

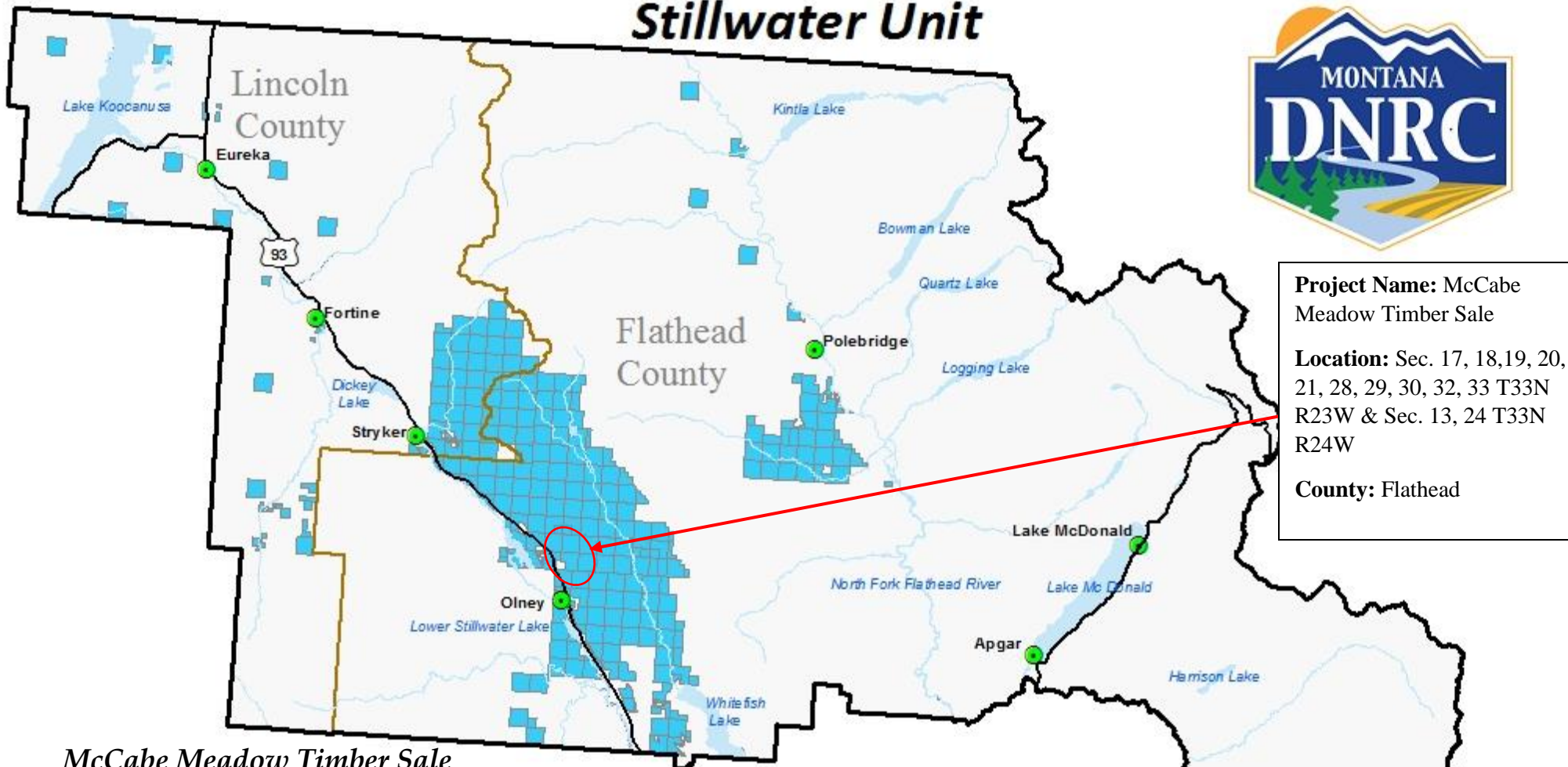
Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$29.70/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$4.64/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$148,336.16
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$24,722.69
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$13,600
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.43/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$0.00/ton

Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.7 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	2.4 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	21.9 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
1	82	2,634	412	March 31, 2025
2	7	831	130	
3	16	337	53	
4	42	1,779	278	
5	13	1,220	191	
6	64	2,975	465	
7	24	2,401	375	
8	77	2,849	445	
9	120	3,279	513	
10	31	1,420	222	
11	12	464	72	
12	16	756	118	
13	11	400	63	
14	64	2,381	372	
15	25	867	136	
16	2	162	25	December 1, 2024
17	10	1,095	171	
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20	66	3,662	572	
	742 Ac.	31,969 tons	4,997 MBF	

State Trust Land Vicinity Map

Stillwater Unit



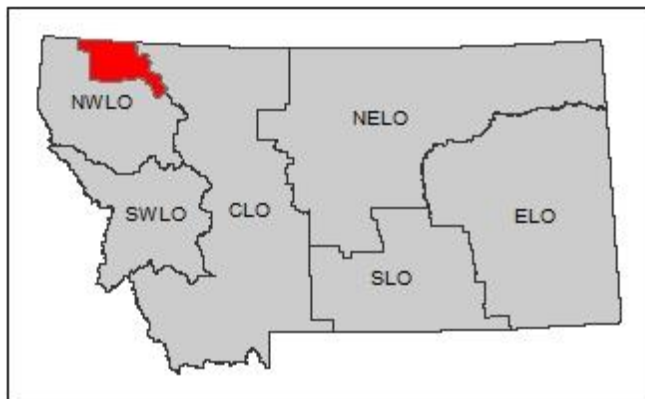
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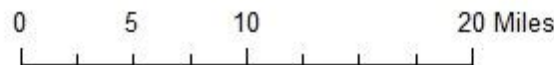
County: Flathead

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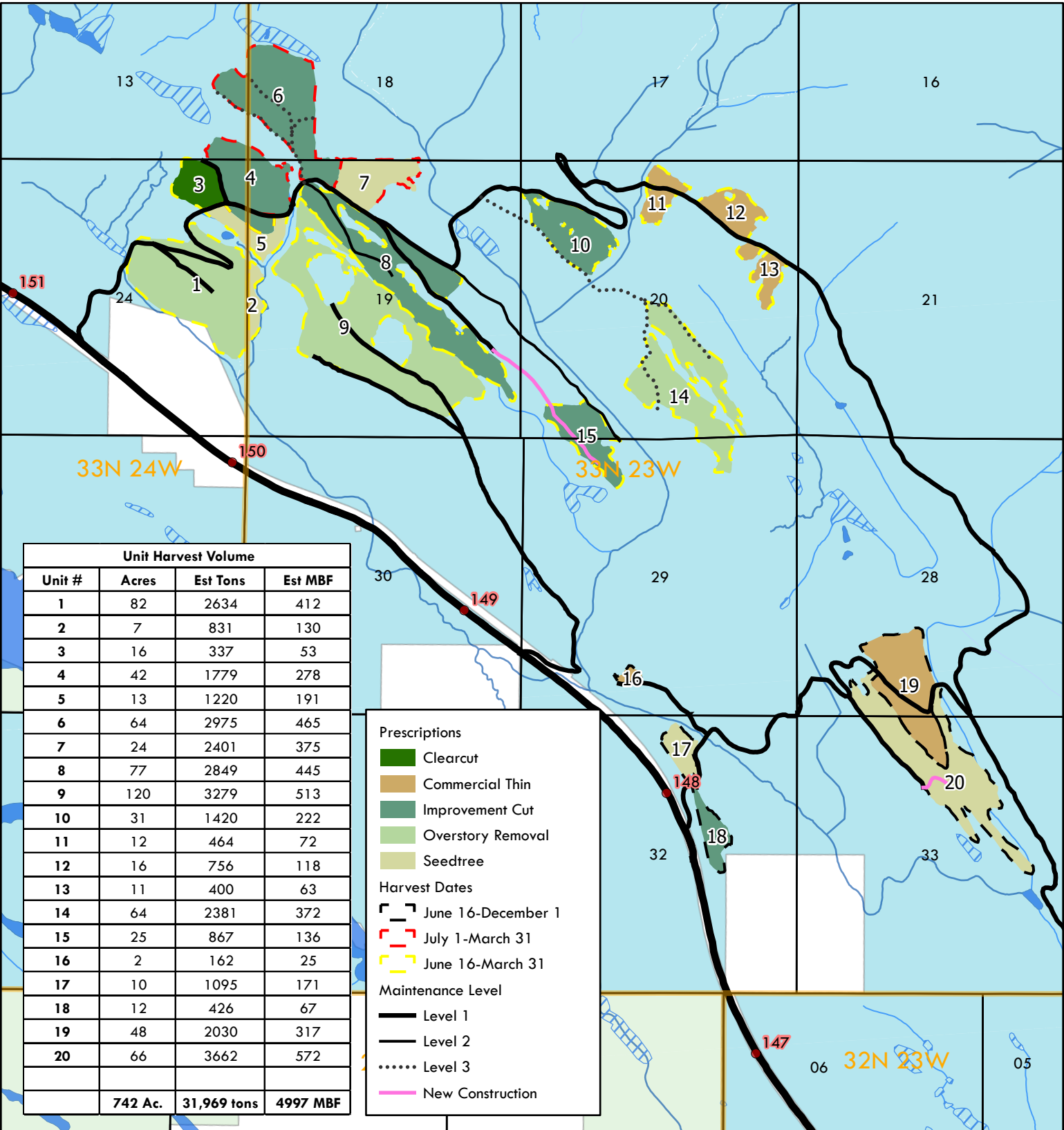


- Towns
- County Lines
- Major Roads
- Water Bodies
- State Trust Land
- Rivers



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- Overstory Removal
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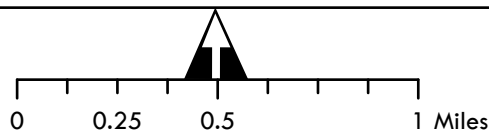
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Maintenance Level

- Level 1
- Level 2
- Level 3
- New Construction



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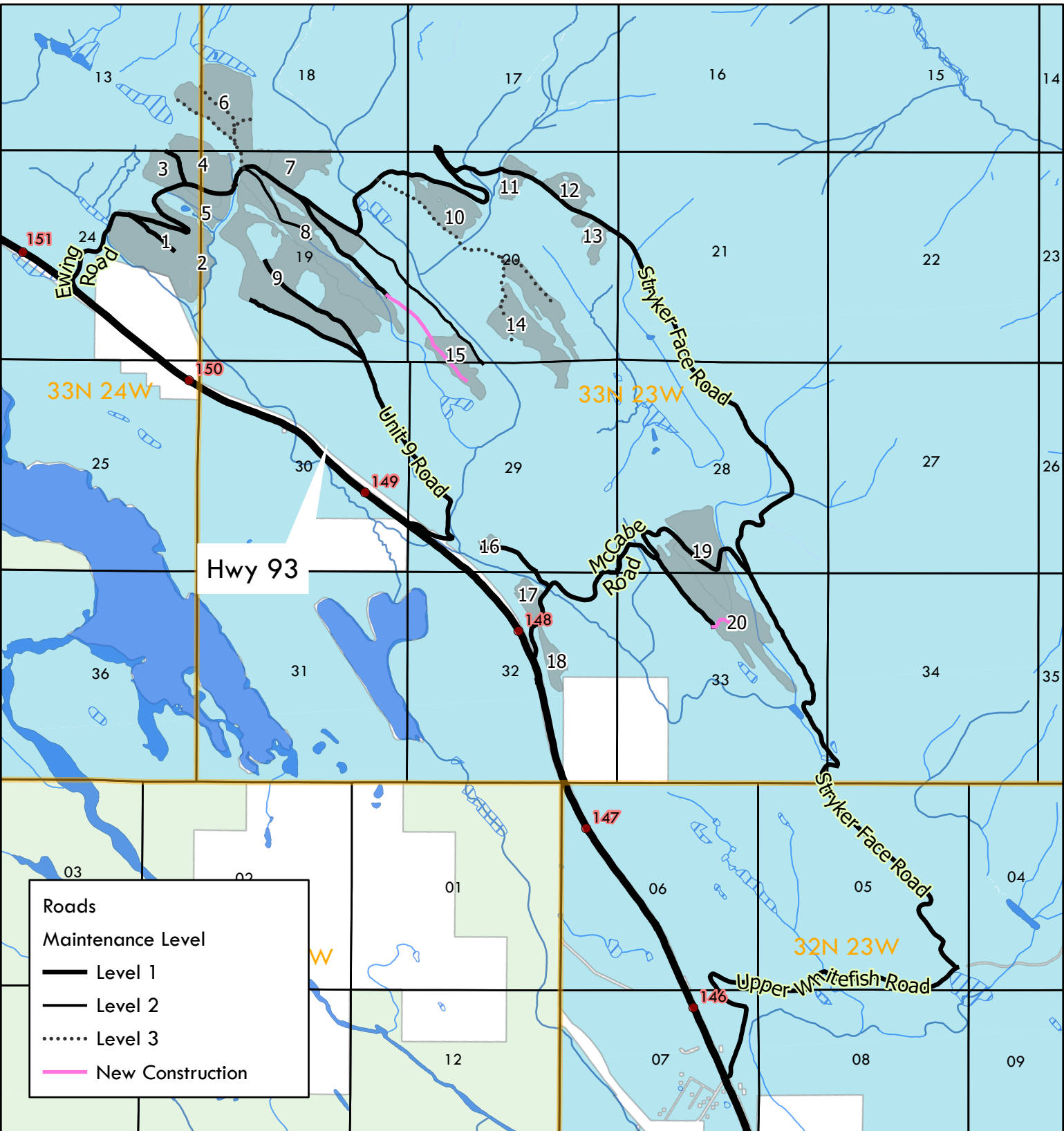


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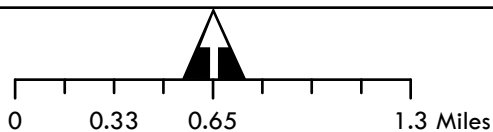
Roads

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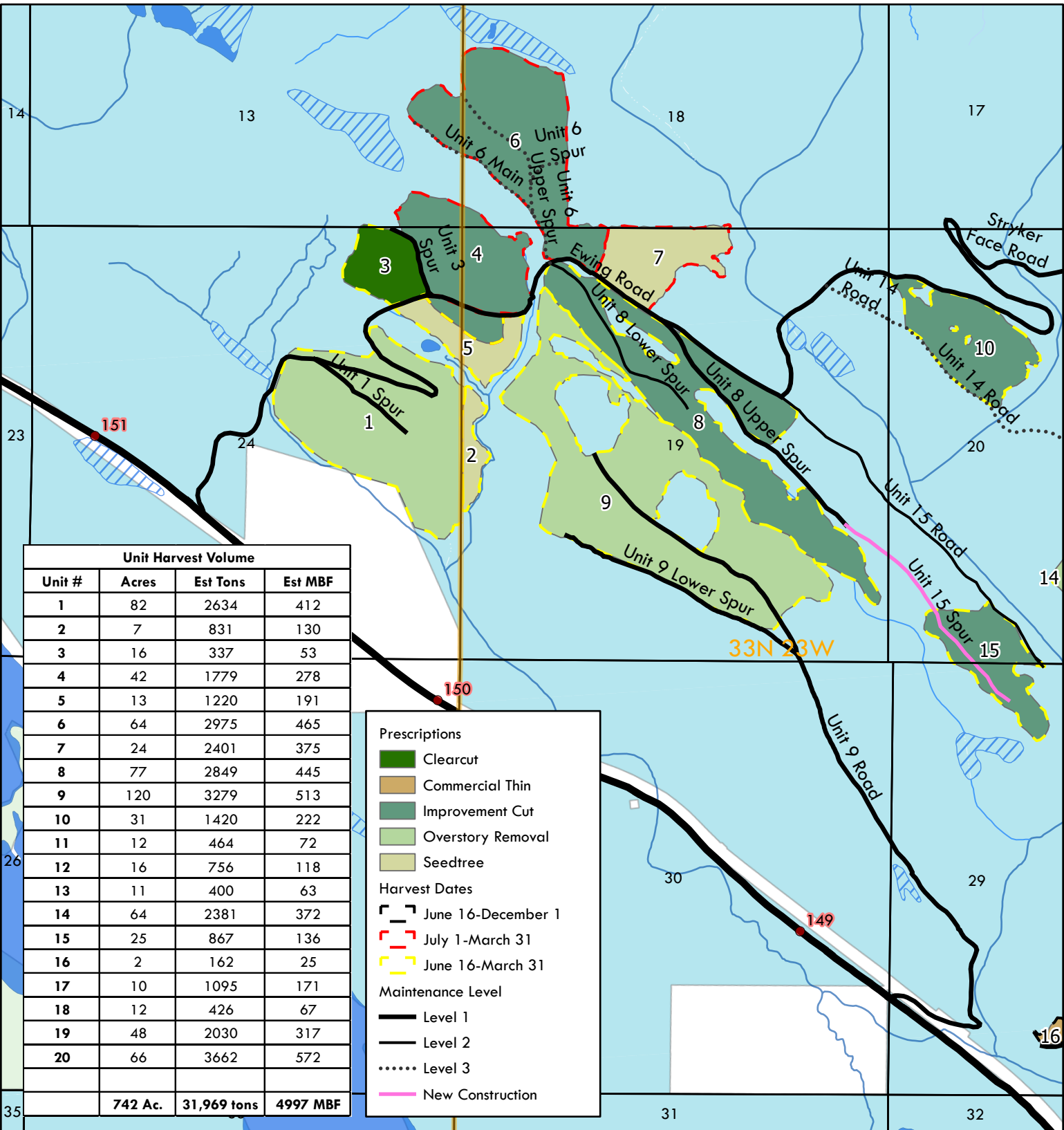


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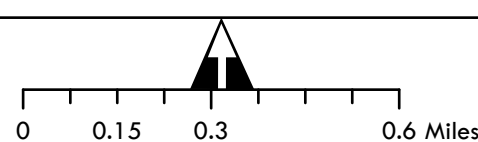
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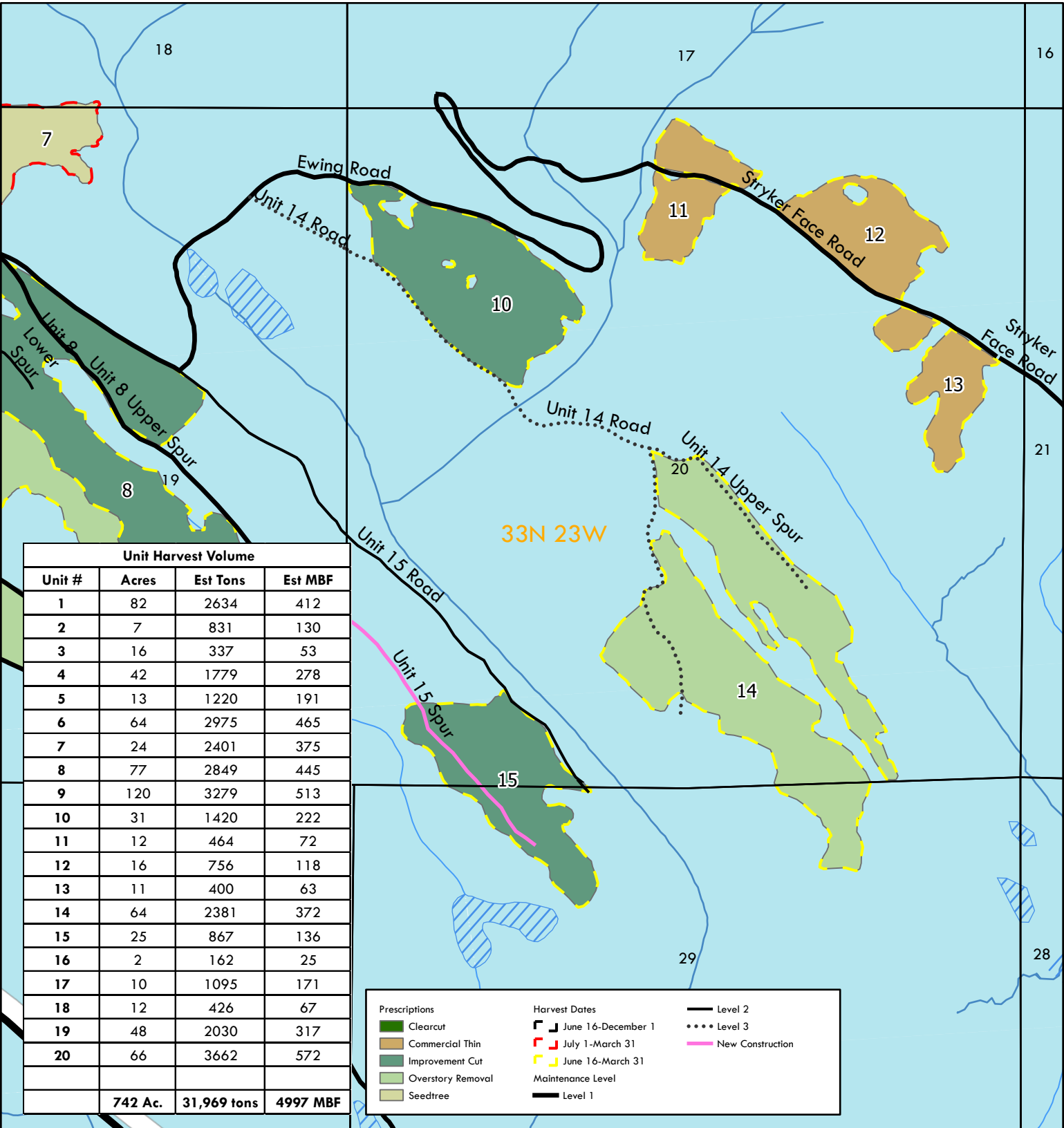


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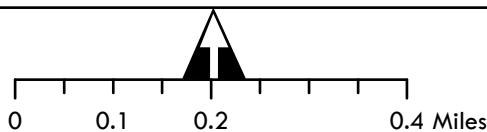


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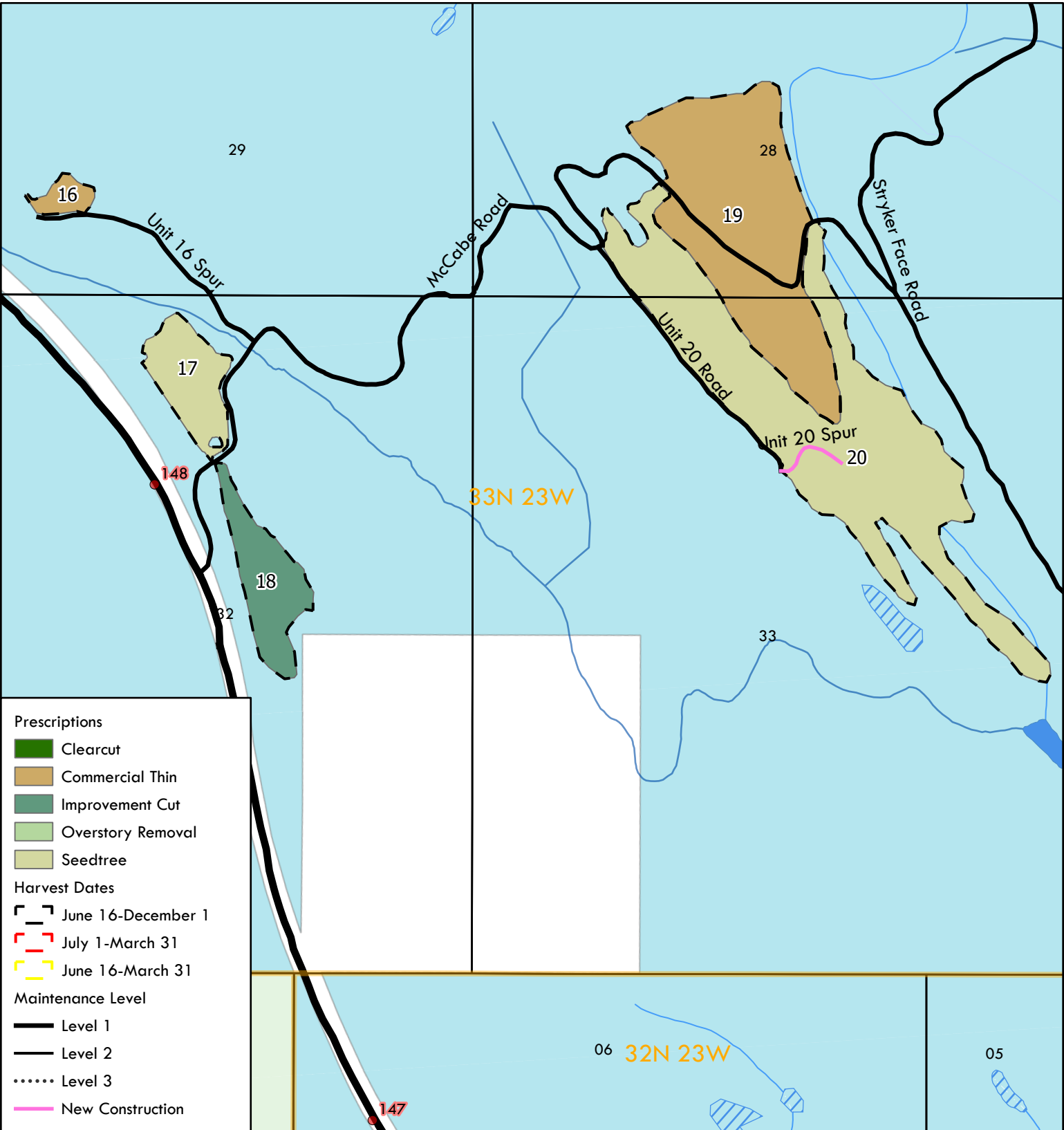


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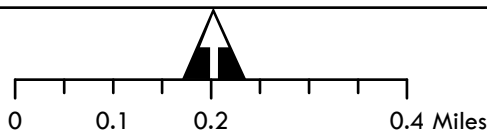


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