

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Pasture North Timber Sale is located within Sections 24, 25 & 26, T2N-R19W on the State's Hamilton Unit. Approximately 10,757 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 **February 18, 2025 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 (406-542-4310) prior to the bid opening to ensure that your bid has been received. **Bids must be accompanied by a deposit of \$3,518.77**, 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 (406-542-4310).

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: Pasture North			
For specific sale information, contact:			
Phone	406-375-0412	Hamilton 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	

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. Timber has not been marked for harvest Units 1, 4, 5, & 6. See VII. F. Unit Designations for harvest requirements.
2. Timber has been marked for harvest Units 2 & 3
3. See VII. G. for "Special Operating Requirements"
4. Main access route is through a private property easement with two gates.
5. No log hauling before 6 a.m. through the private property at the end of Pasture Draw Road. Log trucks will be required to *maintain speeds less than 10 mph on Pasture Draw Rd.*
6. No logging or road maintenance will be allowed during big game rifle hunting season (10/21 – 11/27)
7. There are **NO** grass seeding requirements for the contractor. Hamilton Unit will handle all necessary seed purchase and application.
8. Georeferenced PDF maps are available.
9. Contact Dan Mconnell, Hamilton Unit Forester, for access through the gate at the junction of Pasture Draw Road leading to private property (406-499-2670).

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Pasture North														
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All Cut)														
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	WH	Dead	TOTAL or AVE		
Minimum Bid per ton	\$2.00												All species except PP: \$7.56	
Pounds per cubic foot	62.0	61.7									40.0			
Estimated CF	71866.9	337310.2									0.0		409,177 CF	
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material	966.2	4716.1									0.0		5,682 CF	
Estimated tons of sawlogs	1962	8794									0		10,757 tons	
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material	28	123									0		151 tons	
Gross MBF	289	1402									0		1,692 MBF	
% Cull and Breakage	12.6	15.2									0.0		14.8%	
Net MBF	253	1189									0		1,441 MBF	
Average logs per MBF	25.6	23.5									0.0		23.8 logs/MBF	
Average DBH	12.3	12.6									0.0		12.6 in.	
Average tons to cut per acre													25 tons/ac	
Average MBF to cut per acre													3.3 MBF/ac	
Total Average TPA Cut													49	
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	1,183 and 1,699 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises											17.9%		
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet														
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	10,757 estimated tons / 1,441 Net MBF												7.46 tons/MBF	

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	10/20/2029	
Operating Period:	November 28th - October 20th. (No logging or road maintenance during big game rifle season)	

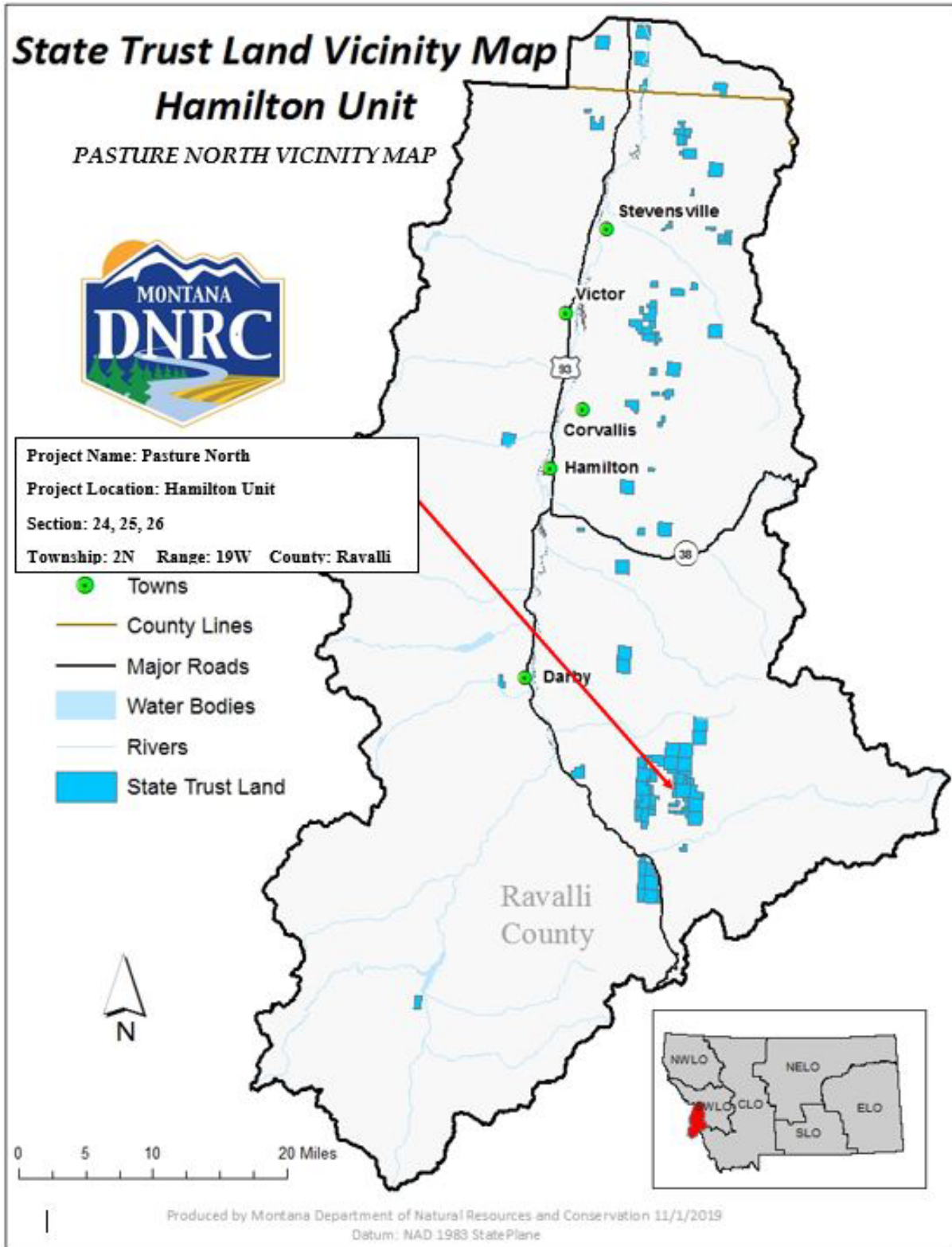
Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	1000 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	N/A
Yarding distance other system (specify)	N/A
Estimated haul distance (paved)	136.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	6.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$21.75/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$2.92/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$31,410.44
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$5,235.07
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$17,560
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$1.63/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	\$21,489
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$2.00/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$14.91/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$19,474
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$1.81/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	0.3 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	6.13 miles

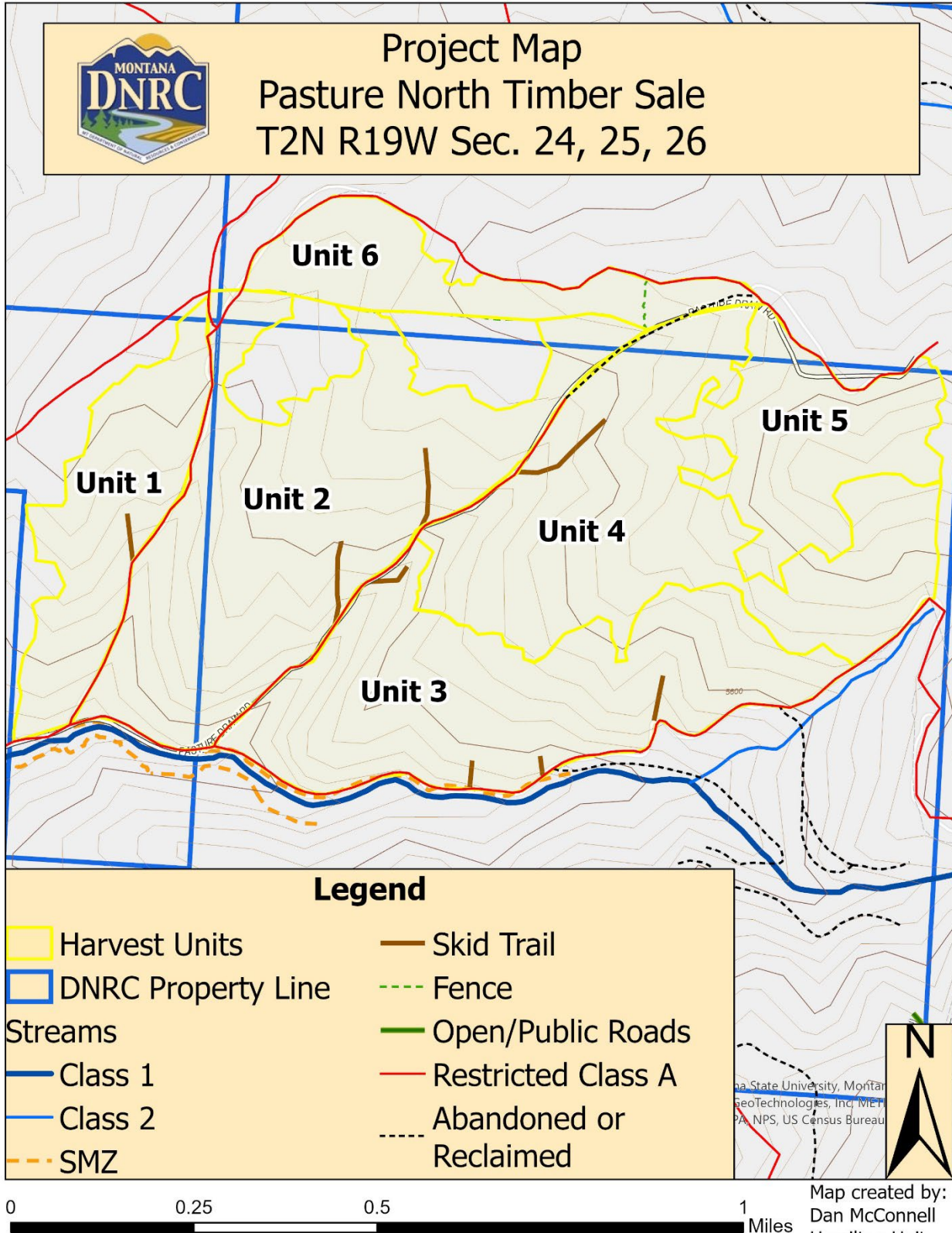
Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
Cutting Unit 1	43.75	1143	153	September 20, 2029
Cutting Unit 2	119.14	3483	467	September 20, 2029
Cutting Unit 4	105.19	1435	192	September 20, 2029
Cutting Unit 3	93.96	3095	415	September 20, 2029
Cutting Unit 5	43.43	981	131	September 20, 2029
Cutting Unit 6	33.39	620	83	September 20, 2029
	439 Ac.	10757	1,441 MBF	

A-5 VICINITY MAP

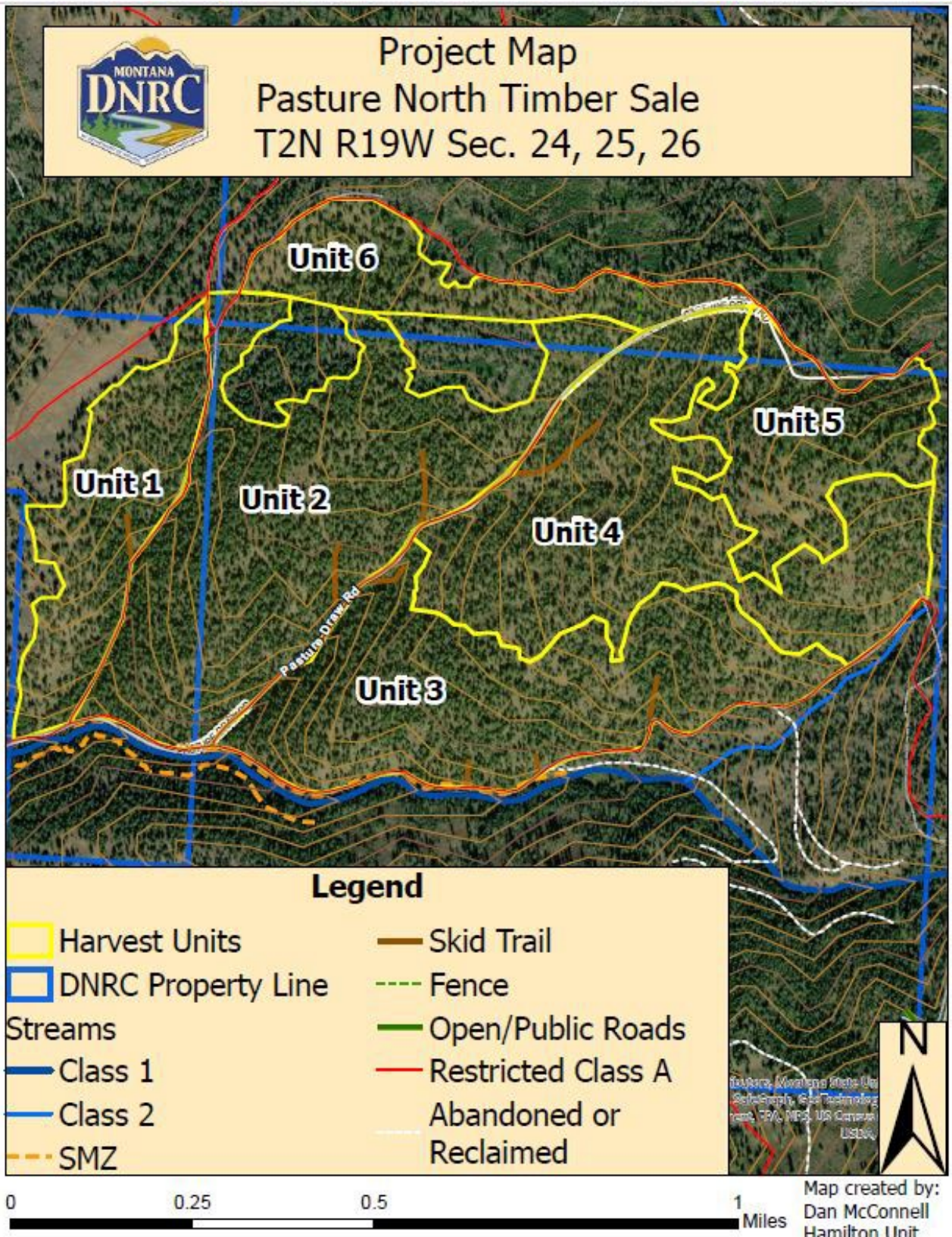


STATE OF MONTANA
 TIMBER SALE CONTRACT
 ATTACHMENT A

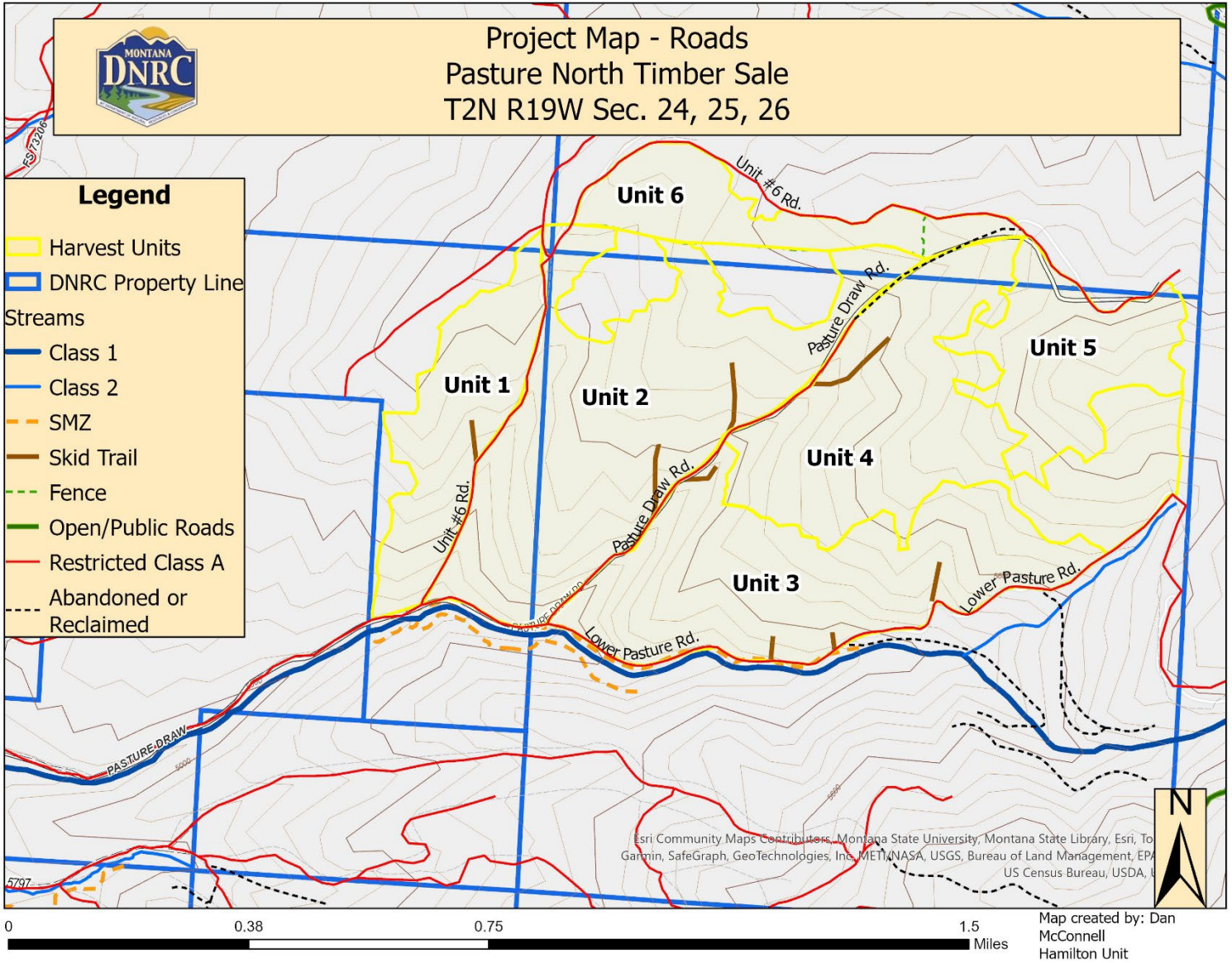
A-1 SALE MAP



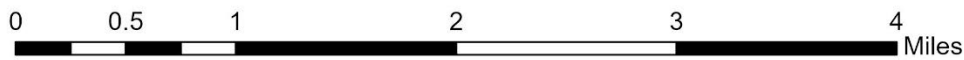
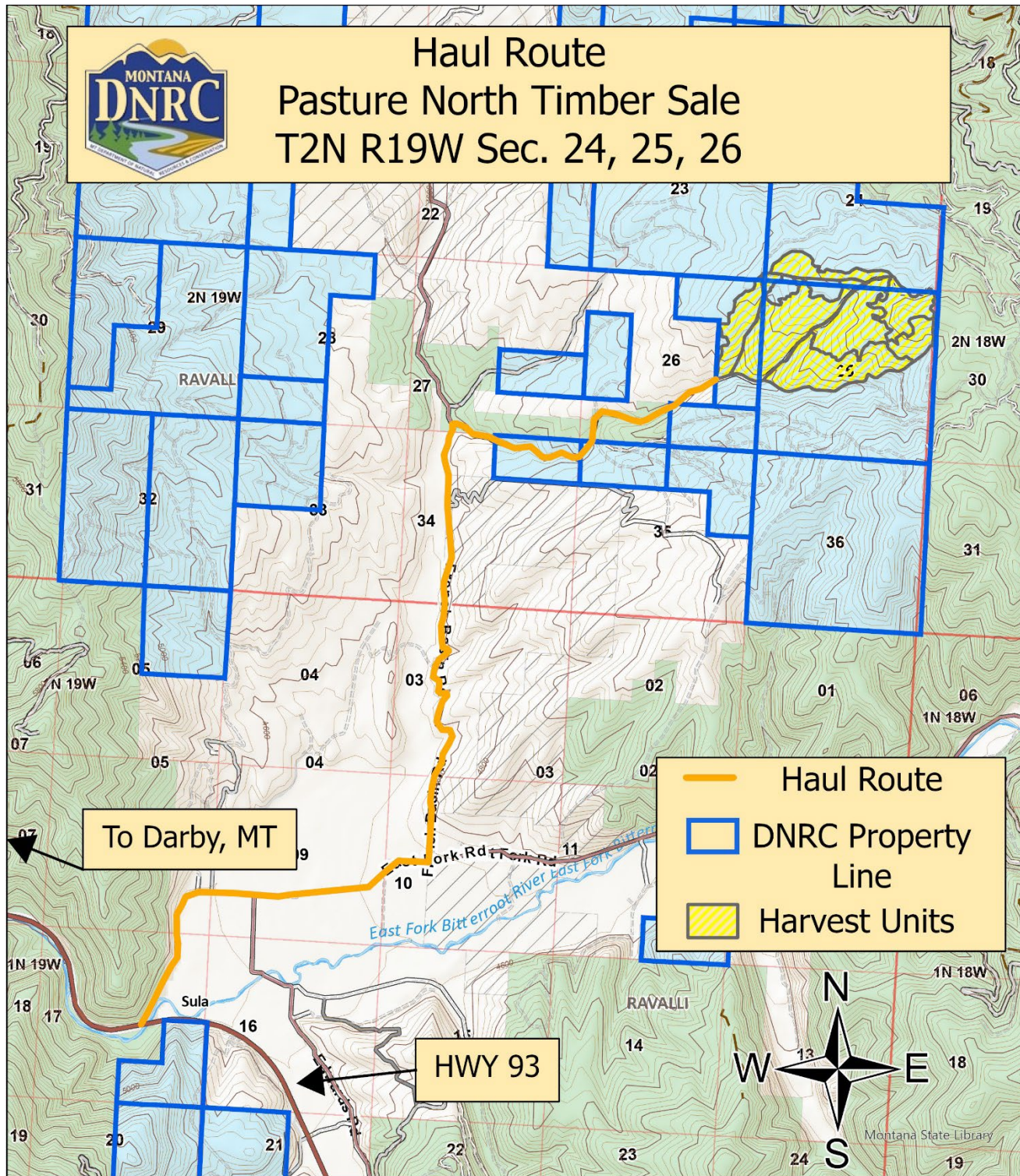
A-2 SALE MAP – SATELLITE & CONTOUR



A-3 ROAD MAP



A-4 HAUL ROUTE MAP



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