

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Stryker Timber Sale is located within Section 36 of T34N-R25W, on the State's Stillwater Unit. Approximately 2,828 tons, consisting of mixed conifers, primarily Douglas-fir and Western larch sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **October 6, 2026, 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 \$2,927.00**, 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. Award of the timber sale is conditional upon approval of the timber sale by the State Board of Land Commissioners at their September 21, 2026, meeting. 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 <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: Stryker		
For specific sale information, contact: Drew Conde		
Phone	406-881-2670 or 406-881-2371	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	406-751-2287	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. Unit information

- a. Unit 1 will have limited space to land and deck
- b. Units 2 & 3 are subject to bald eagle restrictions and operations are permitted from August 16-January 31.
- c. Unit 6 features unique "broken" terrain
- d. Unit 5 must be hauled down the powerline road and is subject to a TRUP time restriction. Operating period for Unit 5 is August 1 to March 31.

The diagram below summarizes operability time restrictions. Operability also limited by soil and road conditions (See contract section VII L. & N.).

	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Completion Date
Unit 1								June 16 - March 31					November 30, 2028
Unit 2								August 16 - January 31					January 31, 2028
Unit 3								August 16 - January 31					January 31, 2028
Unit 4								June 16 - March 31					November 30, 2028
Unit 5								August 1 - March 31					March 31, 2028
Unit 6								June 16 - March 31					November 30, 2028
Unit 7								June 16 - March 31					November 30, 2028

2. The sale is in the NE ¼ and SW ¼ of T 34N, R 25W, S 36

- a. Units 1-4 are located around Mount Marston Road's intersection with HWY 93
- b. Units 5-7 are located near Blue Lake off Sunday Creek Road

3. High Hazard Slash Reduction

- a. Mechanical piling of logging-generated slash for 36.2 acres is required
- b. Slash disposal work is appraised at ~\$8000, \$220/Acre

4. Forest Improvement Fees will be billed concurrently with stumpage rather than quarterly.

5. Access is not restricted by gates. For questions or tips on finding road turnouts off the highway, call Drew Conde at 406-881-2670, or the Stillwater Unit at 406-881-2371.

6. The haul routes from each unit will require log trucks to enter directly onto Highway 93. Road signs warning of logging operations will be required to be posted at and ahead of major road junctions as described in Section VII.O. of the Contract and specified in attachments to Attachment B of the Contract.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Stryker Permit												
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												\$20.69
Pounds per cubic foot		55.5	52.5	50.4	51.3	54.0					40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs		1624	1072	113	14	6					0	2,828 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		155	71	74	1	2					0	302 tons
Gross MBF		329	252	18	3	1					0	603 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		9.4	9.9	5.7	20.0	20.0					0.0	9.6%
Net MBF		298	227	17	3	1					0	546 MBF
Average logs per MBF		15.6	12.2	40.0	16.5	70.0					0.0	15.0 logs/MBF
Average DBH		14.1	16.8	8.5	16.0	10.0					0.0	13.9 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												41 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre												7.9 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut												53
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	411 and 680 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises											24.6%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	2,828 estimated tons / 546 Net MBF											5.18 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	12/31/2028	
Operating Period:	Units 1,4,6 & 7 is from June 16-March 31; Units 2 & 3 is August 16-January 31; Unit 5 is August 1-March 31 when soil conditions allow	

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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	27%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	800 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	43.1 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	1.6 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$26.60/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$5.14/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$14,524
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	N/A - concurrent with stumpage
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$7,964
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$2.82/ton

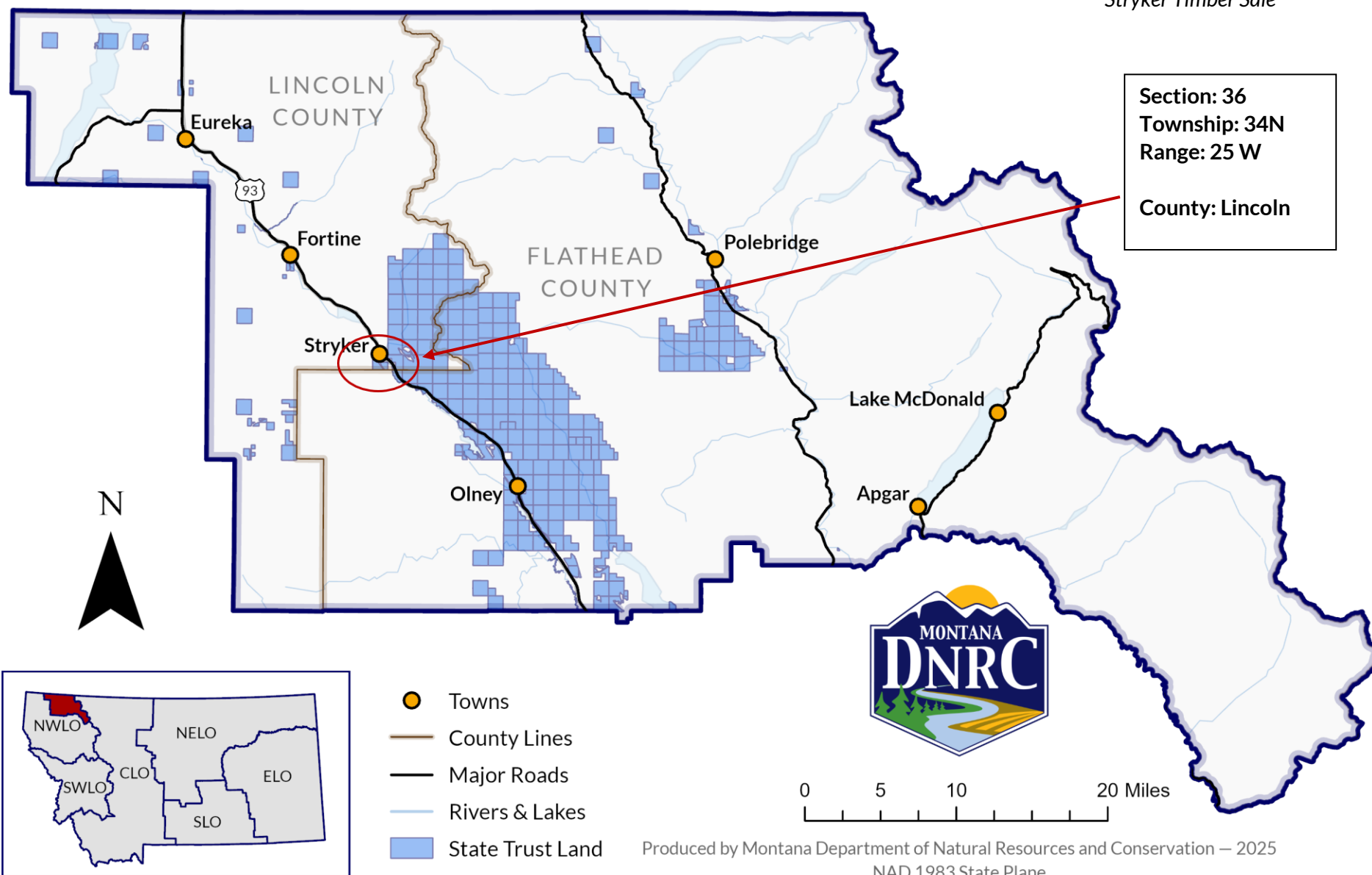
Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$6,298
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$2.23/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$11.54/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$2,539
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.90/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.1 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.4 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	5.5 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
Unit 1	1.6	190	37	Nov 30, 2028
Unit 2	12.5	612	118	Jan 31, 2028
Unit 3	1.8	240	46	Jan 31, 2028
Unit 4	4.3	330	64	Nov 30, 2028
Unit 5	30.9	529	102	Mar 31, 2028
Unit 6	12.9	593	114	Nov 30, 2028
Unit 7	5.5	333	64	Nov 30, 2028
	70 Ac.	2,828 tons	546 MBF	

State Trust Land Vicinity Map

Stillwater Unit

Stryker Timber Sale



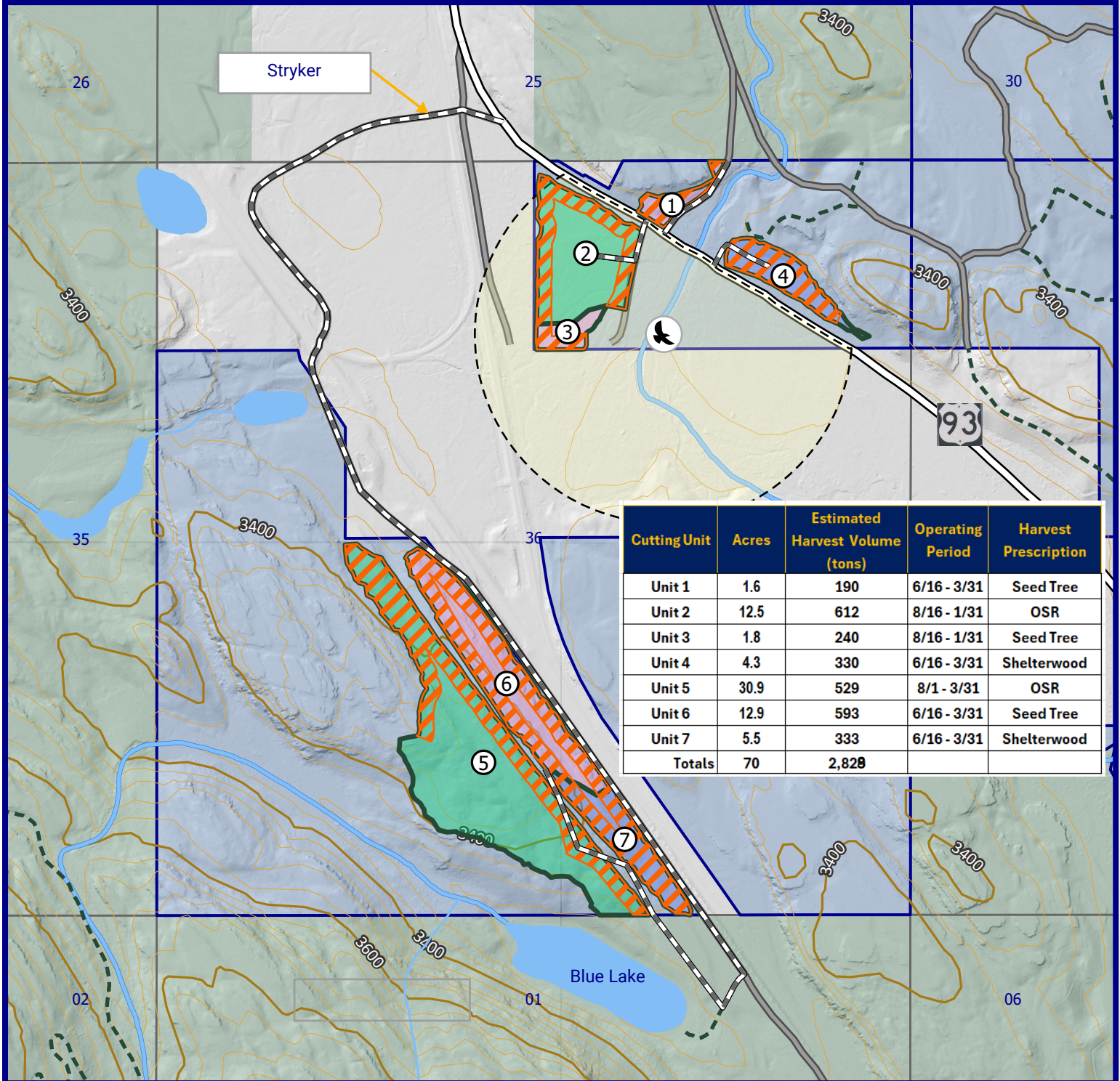


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Unit Map

Attachment A-2

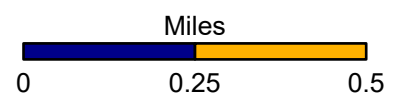
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Cutting Unit	Acres	Estimated Harvest Volume (tons)	Operating Period	Harvest Prescription
Unit 1	1.6	190	6/16 - 3/31	Seed Tree
Unit 2	12.5	612	8/16 - 1/31	OSR
Unit 3	1.8	240	8/16 - 1/31	Seed Tree
Unit 4	4.3	330	6/16 - 3/31	Shelterwood
Unit 5	30.9	529	8/1 - 3/31	OSR
Unit 6	12.9	593	6/16 - 3/31	Seed Tree
Unit 7	5.5	333	6/16 - 3/31	Shelterwood
Totals	70	2,829		

Legend

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| Overstory Removal | Haul Route | Trust Lands Boundary |
| Seed Tree | Highway | MT State Trust Lands |
| Shelterwood | Open/Public Road | US Forest Service High |
| Eagle Nest | Restricted Access Road | Hazard Slash Piling 36.2 acres |
| Eagle Restriction Area | | |



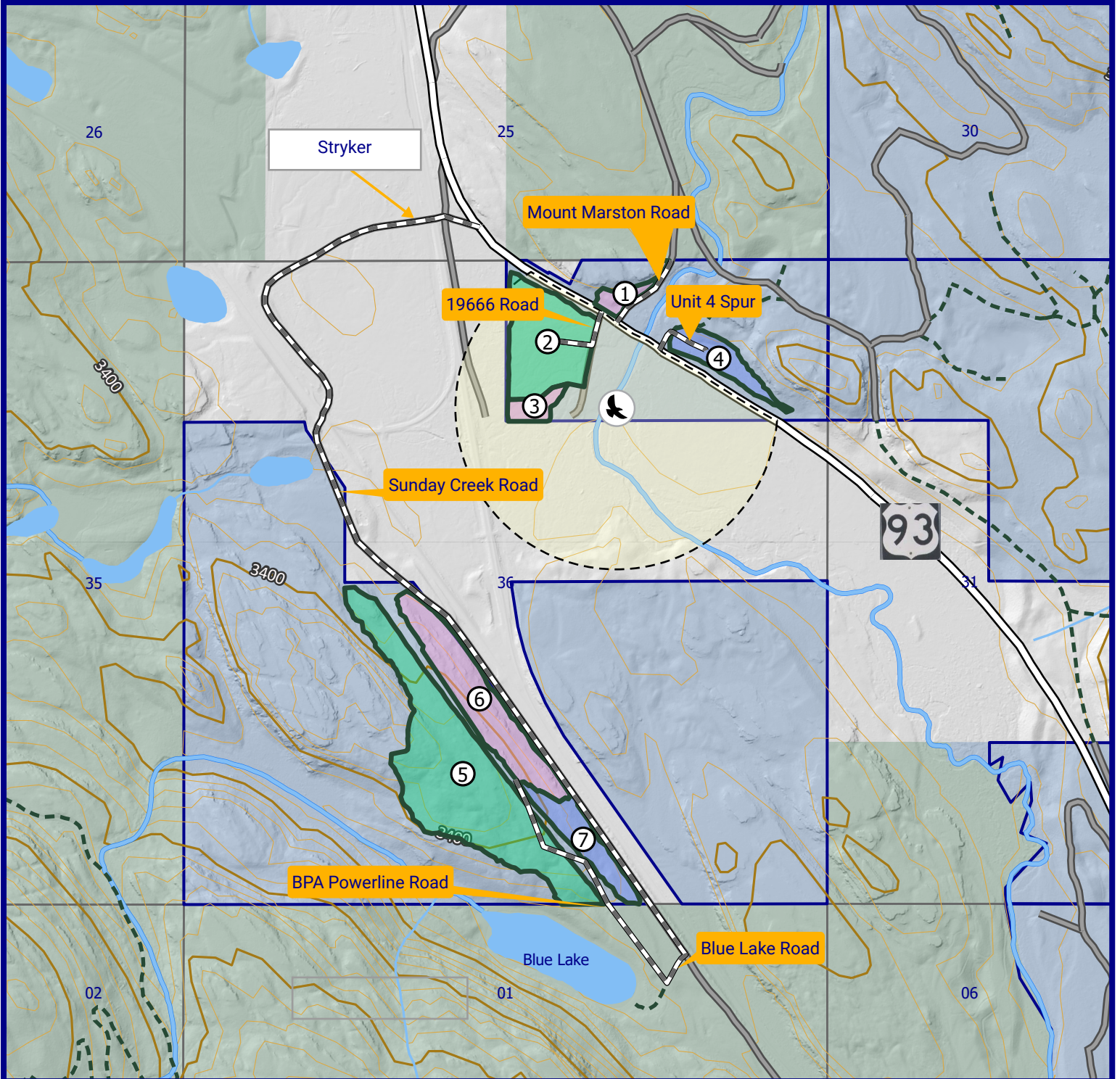
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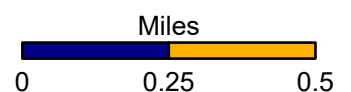
Roads Map

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