

## NOTICE OF SALE

### **Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale**

The GNA After Midnight timber sale is located within sections 10, 14, 15, & 23 of T36N – R26W on the Kootenai National Forest. Approximately 9,342 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 **Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup>, 2026, at 2:00 pm**. Bids may be hand delivered or mailed and will be accepted any time prior to the bid opening. **DNRC recommends that bidders contact the Forestry 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 **\$4,811.00** 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, Forestry Division, in Missoula (406-542-4300).

Visit our website for upcoming sales and bid results.

<https://dnrc.mt.gov/Forestry/Forest-Products/timber-sales>

**TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS**  
**STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION**

<b>Timber Sale Name: GNA Midnight Moonlight</b>			
<b>For specific sale information, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-889-7839	Forester Derek Luchik	Libby Unit
<b>For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:</b>			
Phone	406-542-4300	Missoula DNRC Main Office	GNA Bureau

**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 Good Neighbor Authority Bureau, Forestry 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. 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.
8. 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.
9. 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.
10. 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.
11. 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.
12. 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. This timber sale is a State of Montana Timber Sale on Forest Service Land and is being performed under the Good Neighbor Authority. Potential Purchasers should be aware that this is a partnership, between the Montana DNRC and the US Forest Service, to increase the pace and Scale of forest restoration on National Forest System Lands. Considering Good Neighbor Authority is a high priority of both agencies, and it has a high degree of public interest, the purchaser should expect increased DNRC, Forest Service, and public attention on this timber sale. The DNRC and Forest Service may wish to have public or media tours of this timber sale and we will encourage active involvement by the timber sale purchaser and their contractors.
2. Under the Good Neighbor Authority all NEPA mitigations and Forest Plan requirements must be adhered to. Specific mitigations to do so are written into the contract. The DNRC encourages potential purchasers to familiarize themselves with these mitigations prior to bidding.
3. Unlike DNRC Trust Lands Timber Sales, no Forest Improvement Fees will be charged.
4. Unlike Forest Service Timber Sales, all deposits such as KV, BD, and Road Deposits are included in the stumpage value and accounted for between the DNRC and Forest Service.
5. The Timber sale was cruised and compiled using DNRC procedures and computer programs.
6. LOG BRANDING: This contract is subject to the Forest Resources Conservation and Shortage Relief Act of 1990, as amended (16 USC 620, et seq.). The Purchaser must comply with log branding and accounting rules in Attachment E.
7. OPERATING PERIOD: Operating period is limited to periods when soil moisture is dry, the ground is frozen, or snow covered to minimize compaction, displacement, or erosion (see Section VII.L.1 a-c and VII.L.2).
8. Harvest TIMING RESTRICTIONS (April 1<sup>st</sup>- June 15<sup>th</sup>) are required on units 17, 29, 57, 57a/b (optional units), 63, 62a, 62b.
9. Entire Sale DxP/Designation by Prescription or DxD/Designation by Description. Improvement harvests and Thin From Below harvests utilize variable density thinning. Spacing estimates are approximate. Retention requirements will be measured using basal area by the Forest Officer. Leave trees shall be selected by the purchaser according to contract section VII.G.1, 2, 3, 4. PURCHASER LEAVE TREE SELECTION (A, B, C, D).
10. The Purchaser is required to complete the sale in accordance with VII.E. TABLE 3 HARVEST COMPLETION SCHEDULE. There is no prioritization of units on this sale. The purchaser may complete units at their discretion before the contract termination date.
11. Cut and skid of Other Material is required in accordance with contract section VII.C.2 and TREES DESIGNATED FOR CUTTING and LOG MANUFACTURING AND RECOVERY STANDARDS in Table 2. If removed, such material shall be billed at the rate for Other Material shown in Table 1.
12. TEMPORARY ROAD CONSTRUCTION is required to access units 62a & 62b. Approximately 0.2 miles of temporary road is required to construct and obliterate.
13. PURCHASER SLASHING AND PILING is required in units 17, 47, 48 (optional unit), 51, 53, 55, 56, 63, 62a, and 62b.
14. Unit 63 requires full SOIL REHABILITATION on skid trails and other areas of in unit soil disturbance and compaction.
15. KEEP ROADS CLOSED: Yearlong, seasonal and temporary roads shall be closed to restrict public motor vehicle access during nights, weekends and periods of inactivity. Areas of closure are described in Contract Attachment B – Road Package and depicted on Contract Attachment A – Sale Area Maps.
16. OPTIONAL UNITS: Units 48, 57a, and 57B are optional. The Purchaser may inform the Forest Officer of their intent to harvest or not harvest the unit at their discretion prior to the contract termination date, and must submit an operating plan to the Forest Officer for agreement and written approval prior to harvest.
17. For a full list and further descriptions of SPECIAL OPERATING REQUIREMENTS see sample contract VII.G.
18. Electronic GPS compatible maps are available by contacting Derek Luchik, (406) 889-7839.

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

GNA After Midnight												
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
Pounds per cubic foot		56.5	57.0	53.0	53.0			52.0			40.0	
Estimated CF		286195.8	46948.6	28421.9	19866.1			824.2			47571.5	429,828 CF
Estimated CF of non-sawlog material		5648.5	1144.0	1844.1	388.0			93.0			880.6	9,998 CF
Estimated tons of sawlogs		7094	1114	659	456			18			0	<b>9,342 tons</b>
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		137	27	44	9			2			0	219 tons
Gross MBF		1235	217	105	86			2			218	1,862 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		12.1	16.8	13.1	13.0			15.0			100.0	23.0%
Net MBF		1085	181	91	75			2			0	1,433 MBF
Average logs per MBF		23.9	24.7	40.3	25.7			52.5			0.0	25.1 logs/MBF
Average DBH		11.8	11.1	8.9	11.2			8.0			12.3	11.4 in.
Average tons to cut per acre												34 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre												5.3 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut												92
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between												14.4%
												1,227 and 1,640 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet												9,342 estimated tons / 1,433 Net MBF
												6.52 tons/MBF

Contract Information		
Contract Termination Date:	12/31/2029	
Operating Period:	When conditions meet VII.L.1 a-c and VII.L.2	

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)	400 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$62,623
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$6.70/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$43.69/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$8,990
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.96/ton

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Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	62.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	3.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee per MBF	\$0.00/MBF
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$0.00/ton
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$0.00
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$0.00
Estimated Purchaser-do Environmental Cost total \$	\$7,975
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.85/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$124,325.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$13.31/ton

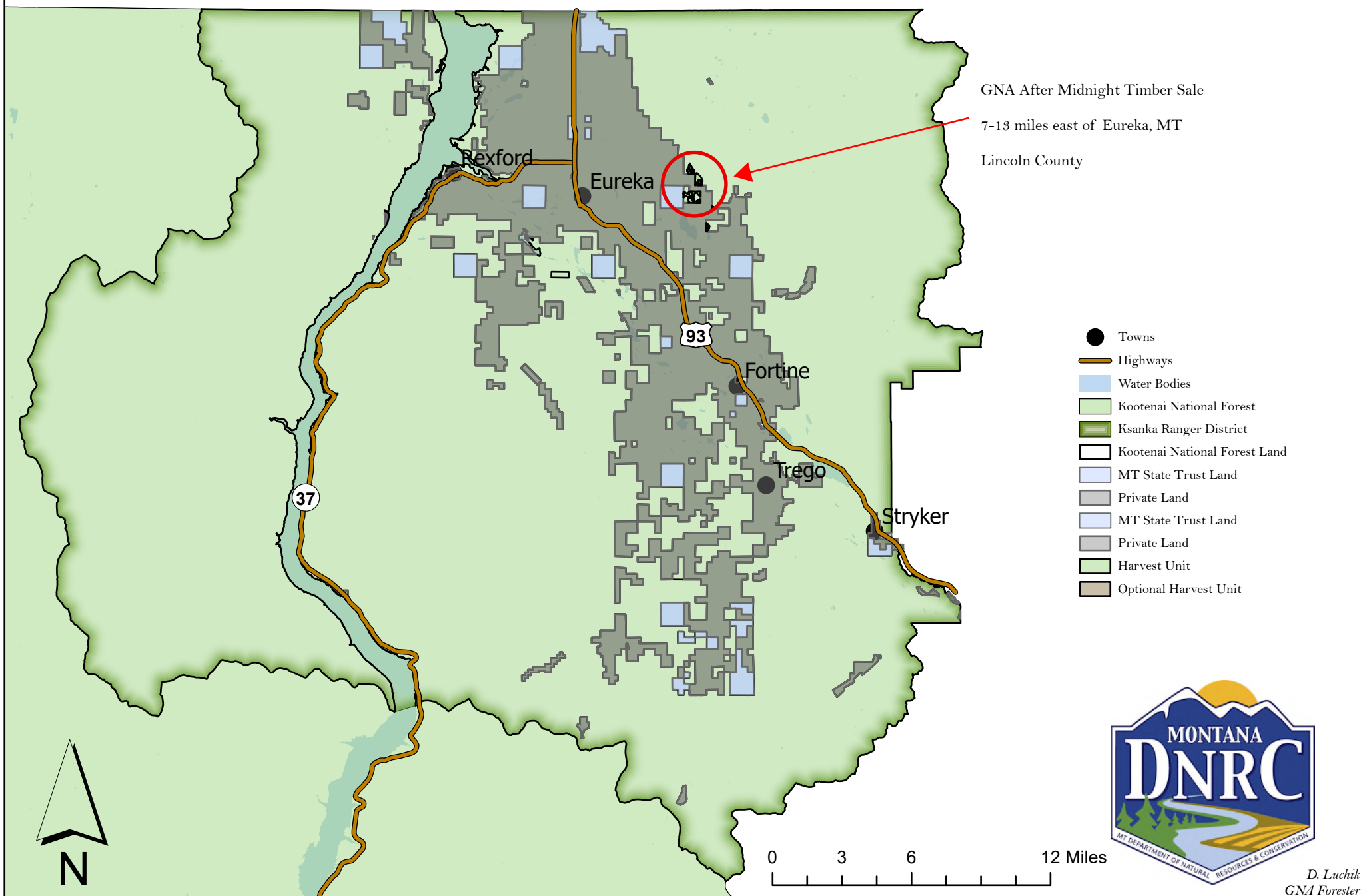
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of TEMPORARY ROAD Construction	0.2 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	7.4 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	9.7 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.2 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	9.7 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
17	15.00	454	70	November 30, 2029
29	48.00	1318	202	November 30, 2029
47	10.00	768	118	November 30, 2029
51	24.00	949	146	November 30, 2029
53	36.00	540	83	November 30, 2029
55	39.00	1391	213	November 30, 2029
56	17.00	372	57	November 30, 2029
57	4.00	211	32	November 30, 2029
63	40.00	2245	344	November 30, 2029
133	15.00	362	56	November 30, 2029
62b	9.00	496	76	November 30, 2029
62a	13.00	235	36	November 30, 2029
	270 Ac.	9,342 tons	1,433 MBF	

Optional Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
48	9.00	80	10	November 30, 2029
57a	0.75	35	5	November 30, 2029
57b	0.50	25	3	November 30, 2029
	10 Ac.	140 tons	18 MBF	

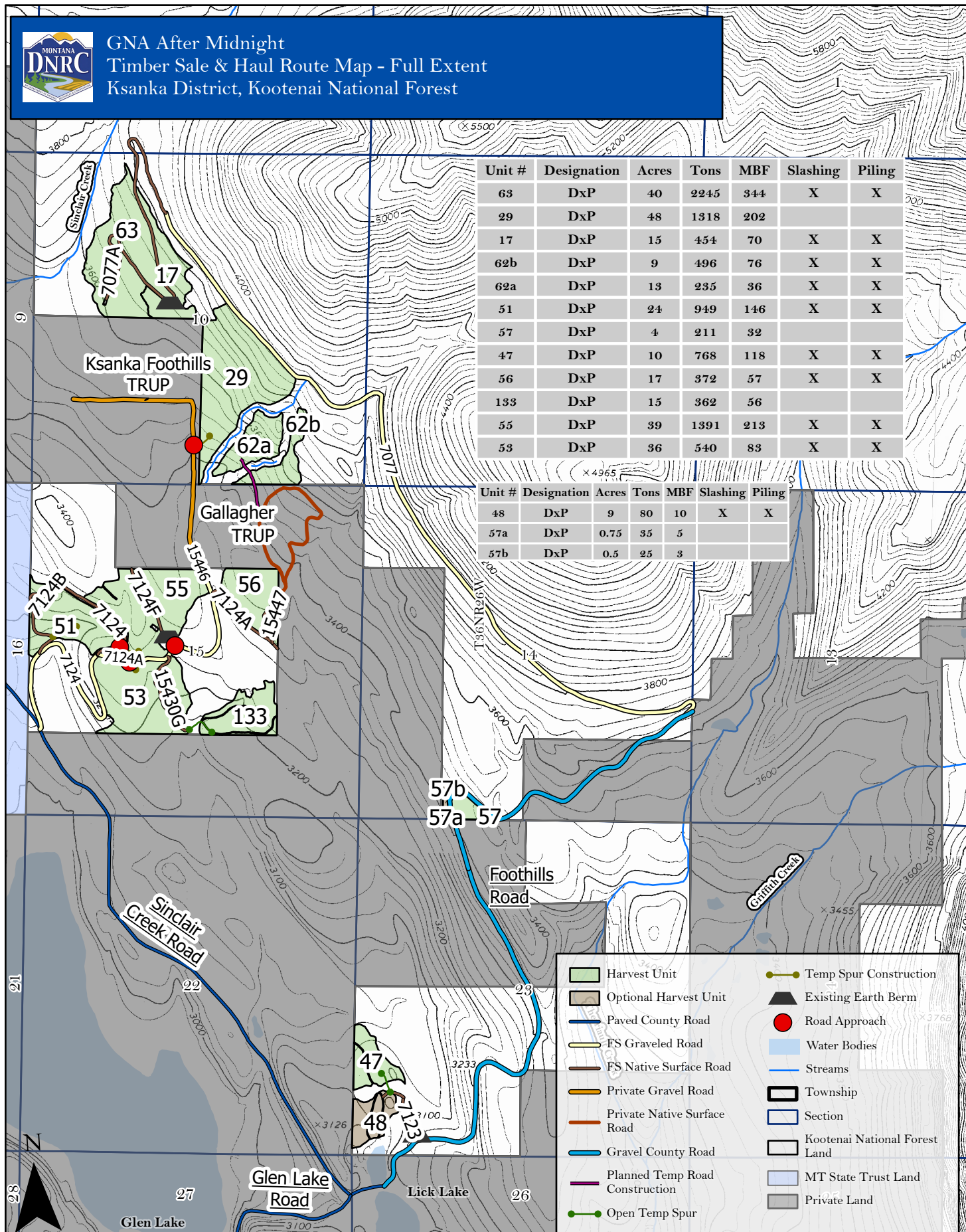
# GNA After Midnight Timber Sale - Vicinity Map

## Kootenai National Forest - Ksanka District





GNA After Midnight  
Timber Sale & Haul Route Map - Full Extent  
Ksanka District, Kootenai National Forest



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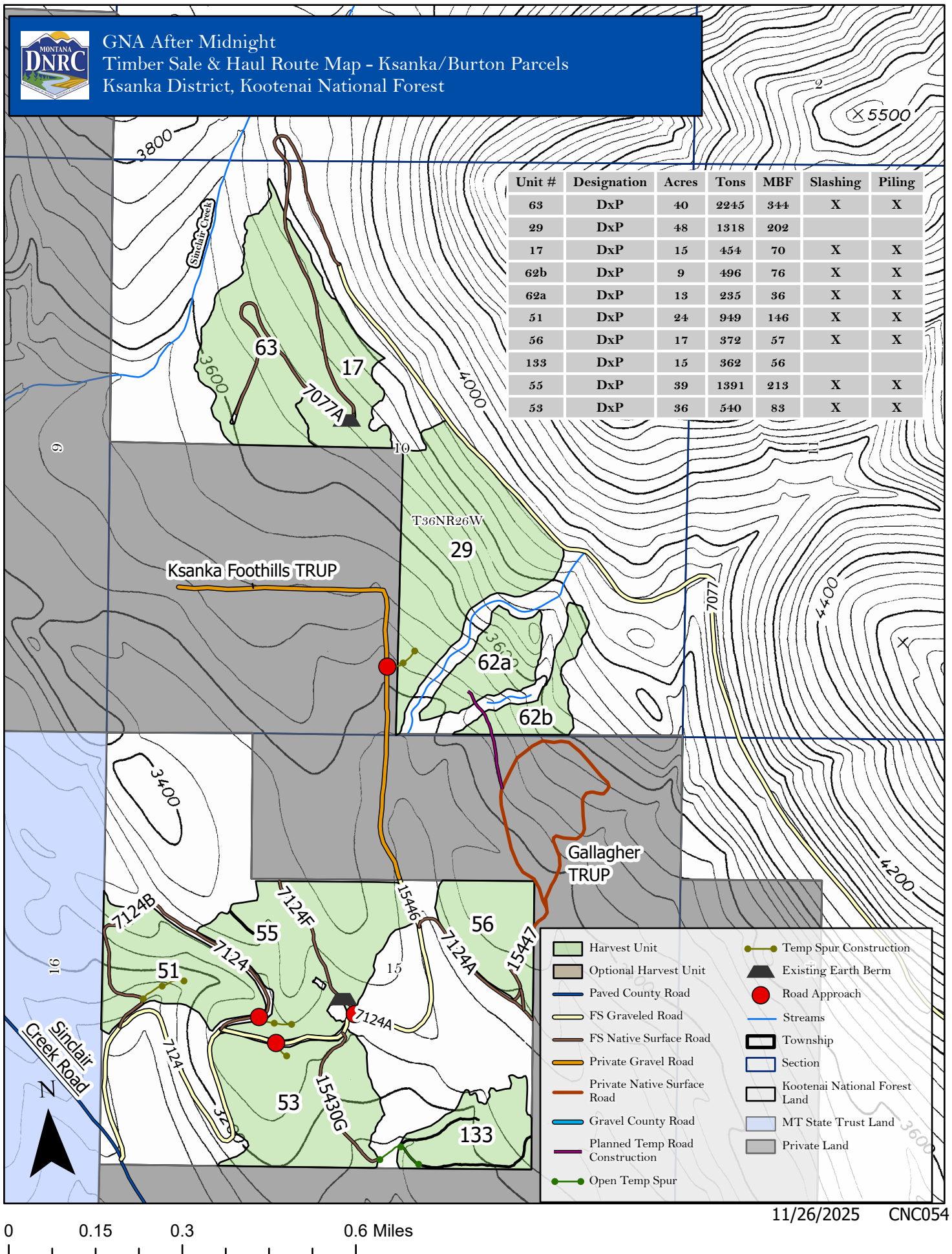
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Timber Sale & Haul Route Map - Ksanka/Burton Parcels  
Ksanka District, Kootenai National Forest

Unit #	Designation	Acres	Tons	MBF	Slashing	Piling
63	DxP	40	2245	344	X	X
29	DxP	48	1318	202		
17	DxP	15	454	70	X	X
62b	DxP	9	496	76	X	X
62a	DxP	13	235	36	X	X
51	DxP	24	949	146	X	X
56	DxP	17	372	57	X	X
133	DxP	15	362	56		
55	DxP	39	1391	213	X	X
53	DxP	36	540	83	X	X



- Harvest Unit
- Optional Harvest Unit
- Paved County Road
- FS Graveled Road
- FS Native Surface Road
- Private Gravel Road
- Private Native Surface Road
- Gravel County Road
- Planned Temp Road Construction
- Open Temp Spur
- Temp Spur Construction
- Existing Earth Berm
- Road Approach
- Streams
- Township
- Section
- Kootenai National Forest Land
- MT State Trust Land
- Private Land

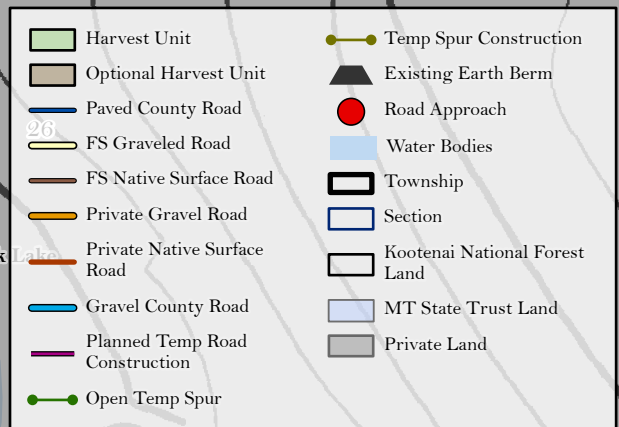
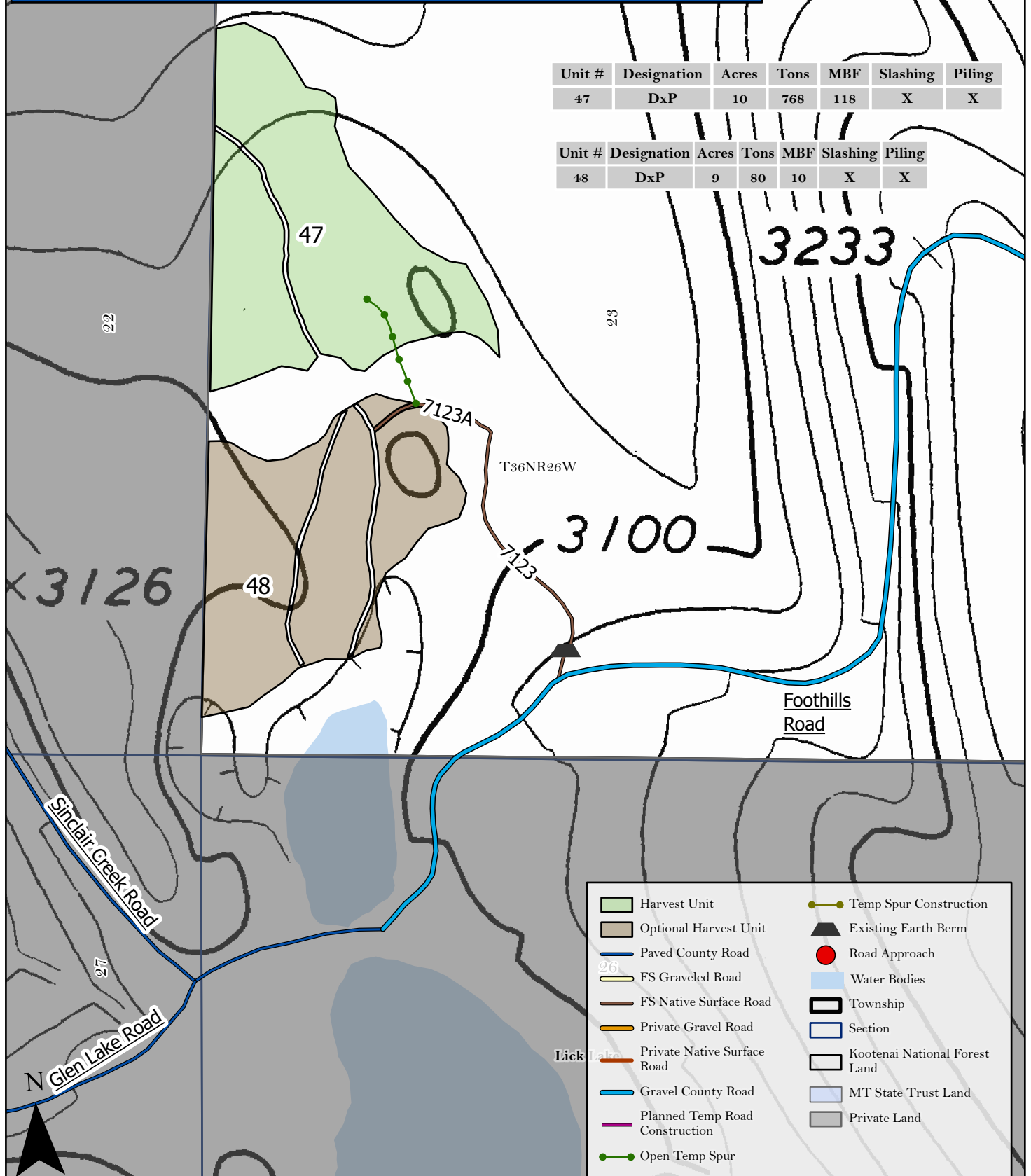




GNA After Midnight  
Timber Sale & Haul Route Map - Unit 47, 48  
Ksanka District, Kootenai National Forest

Unit #	Designation	Acres	Tons	MBF	Slashing	Piling
47	DxP	10	768	118	X	X

Unit #	Designation	Acres	Tons	MBF	Slashing	Piling
48	DxP	9	80	10	X	X

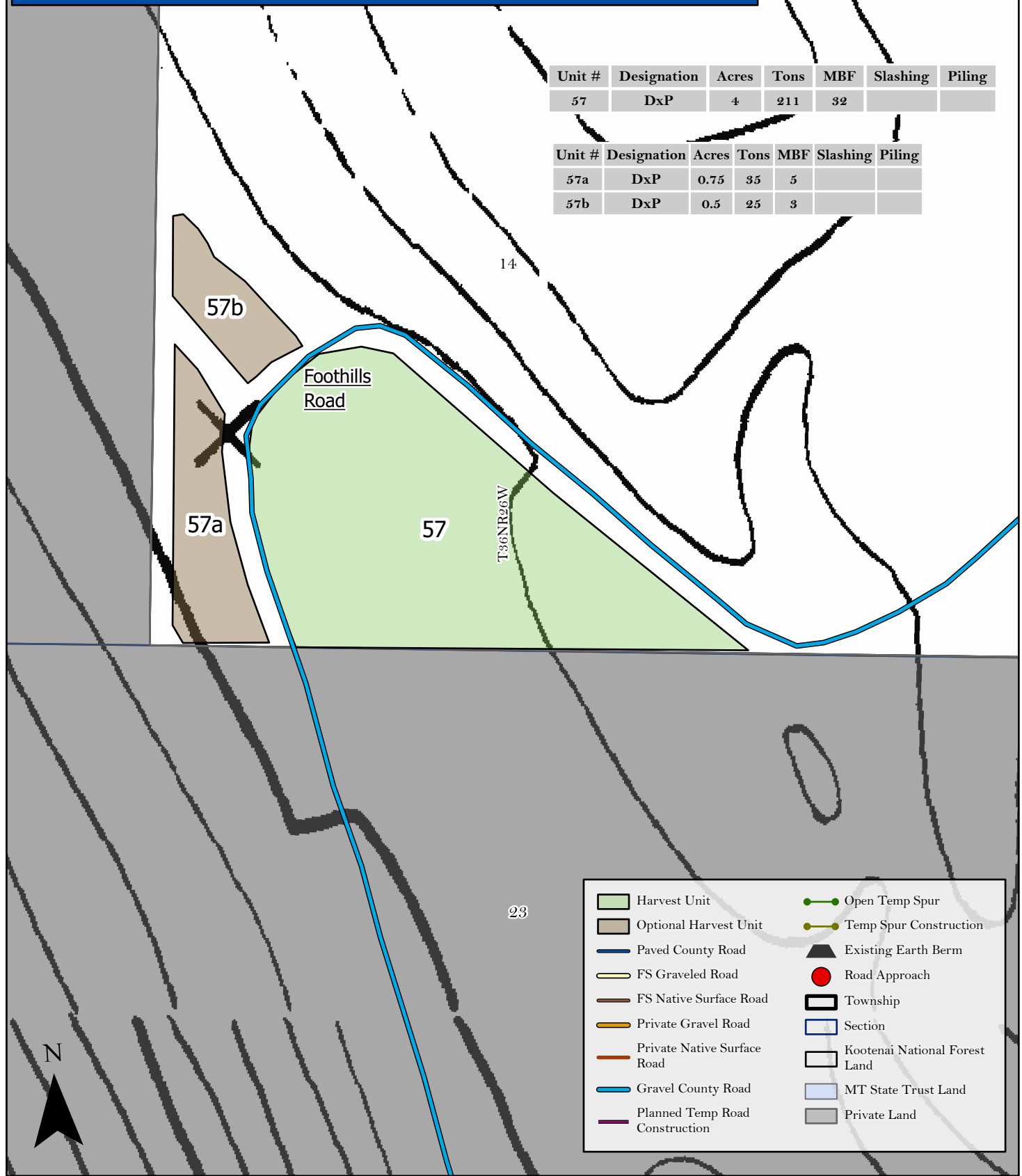




GNA After Midnight  
Timber Sale & Haul Route Map - Unit 57, 57a, 57b  
Ksanka District, Kootenai National Forest

Unit #	Designation	Acres	Tons	MBF	Slashing	Piling
57	DxP	4	211	32		

Unit #	Designation	Acres	Tons	MBF	Slashing	Piling
57a	DxP	0.75	35	5		
57b	DxP	0.5	25	3		



Harvest Unit	Open Temp Spur
Optional Harvest Unit	Temp Spur Construction
Paved County Road	Existing Earth Berm
FS Graveled Road	Road Approach
FS Native Surface Road	Township
Private Gravel Road	Section
Private Native Surface Road	Kootenai National Forest Land
Gravel County Road	MT State Trust Land
Planned Temp Road Construction	Private Land

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