

NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The GNA Roundstar Timber Sale is located within sections 4, 17, & 18 of T30N - R24W, sections 1, 11, 12, & 13 of T30N - R25W, sections 22, 23, 25, 26, 27, & 34 of T31N - R24W, sections 5, 6, 7, 8, 18, & 19 of T31N - R23W located on the Flathead National Forest. Approximately 25,012 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 May 22nd 2024, 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 **\$12,506.00** 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), DNRC Kalispell Unit (406-751-2241)

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

Timber Sale Name: GNA Roundstar			
For specific sale information, contact: Josh Tomlin or Pete Evans			
Phone	406-751-2267		Kalispell Unit
	406-751-2256		
For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact: Brook Blakeley			
Phone	406-751-2248	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 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.
13. Other contractors and machinery may be working within the sale area during operations. Coordination may be needed to reduce conflicts between operations.

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.
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. **The Purchaser is required to cut, skid and haul Other Material that does not meet Sawlog Manufacturing and Recovery Standards in Table 2. Such products shall be billed at the rate for Other Material shown in Table 1.**
4. Special operating requirements: The following requirements are to be performed by the Purchaser in specific sale units as shown in the contract: Section VII.F, UNIT DESIGNATIONS.
 - 1.) **Slashing Required:** 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. This includes leaners and pushovers. Stems shall be completely severed from the stump. Stumps shall not exceed 8" in height on the uphill side. Slashed material must be felled directionally so that it remains totally within the harvest unit. Applies to units 4, 7, 10, 30, 93, 94, 139, 149.
 - 2.) **Excavator Piling Required:** Excavator piling is required in Units 4,7,10, 30 & 149. The following requirements and specifications apply to all excavator piling work:
 - a. Piling will be completed with an excavator, Class EX2 (76-100 H.P.) or smaller, equipped with bucket and thumb, clamshell, double rake head or other slash piling implement head approved by the Forest Officer.
 - b. Prior to operation, the Purchaser's Supervisor and Forest Officer will visit each harvest unit and agree on piling needs and acreage to be treated.
 - c. Operations will be conducted under dry or frozen soil conditions only. The Forest Officer may temporarily suspend operations under unfavorable operating conditions.
 - d. 8 -15 tons/acre of woody debris 3 inches or larger in diameter will be left on site.
 - e. All piles will be clean, 6 feet or greater in height, and compacted with piling equipment to a sufficient degree to allow complete burning.
 - f. No piles will be constructed within 20 feet of residual trees, or underneath any portion of the crown of a residual tree. If spacing of residual trees makes this impractical, piles will be constructed in the largest openings available.
 - g. The operator will avoid damaging residual trees and will avoid displacement of soil during piling operations.
 - 3.) **TEMPORARY SPUR ROAD CONSTRUCTION REQUIRED:** Purchaser is permitted to construct a temporary spur road for access to Unit 84. The Forest Officer will designate the location of the road. The road must be constructed and reclaimed to specifications in Attachment B.

Timber Sale Information Sheet
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

GNA Roundstar												
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												\$10.00
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0			55.0			40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs		8817	3151	8872	3138			891			143	25,012 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		192	185	4488	203			54			10	5,132 tons
Gross MBF		1349	491	1274	520			161			35	3,831 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		7.7	6.5	8.5	5.8			18.2			25.7	8.2%
Net MBF		1245	459	1166	490			132			26	3,518 MBF
Average logs per MBF		22.7	28.5	38.2	21.9			32.2			40.3	29.0 logs/MBF
Average DBH		11.7	10.1	8.8	11.3			10.4			9.1	9.9 in.
Average tons to cut per acre	→											42 tons/ac
Average MBF to cut per acre	→											5.9 MBF/ac
Total Average TPA Cut	→											127
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between	3,250 and 3,785 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises											7.6%
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet												
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet	25,012 estimated tons / 3,518 Net MBF											7.11 tons/MBF

Contract Information	
Contract Termination Date:	31-Oct-28
Operating Period:	Year Round When Soil Conditions Allow

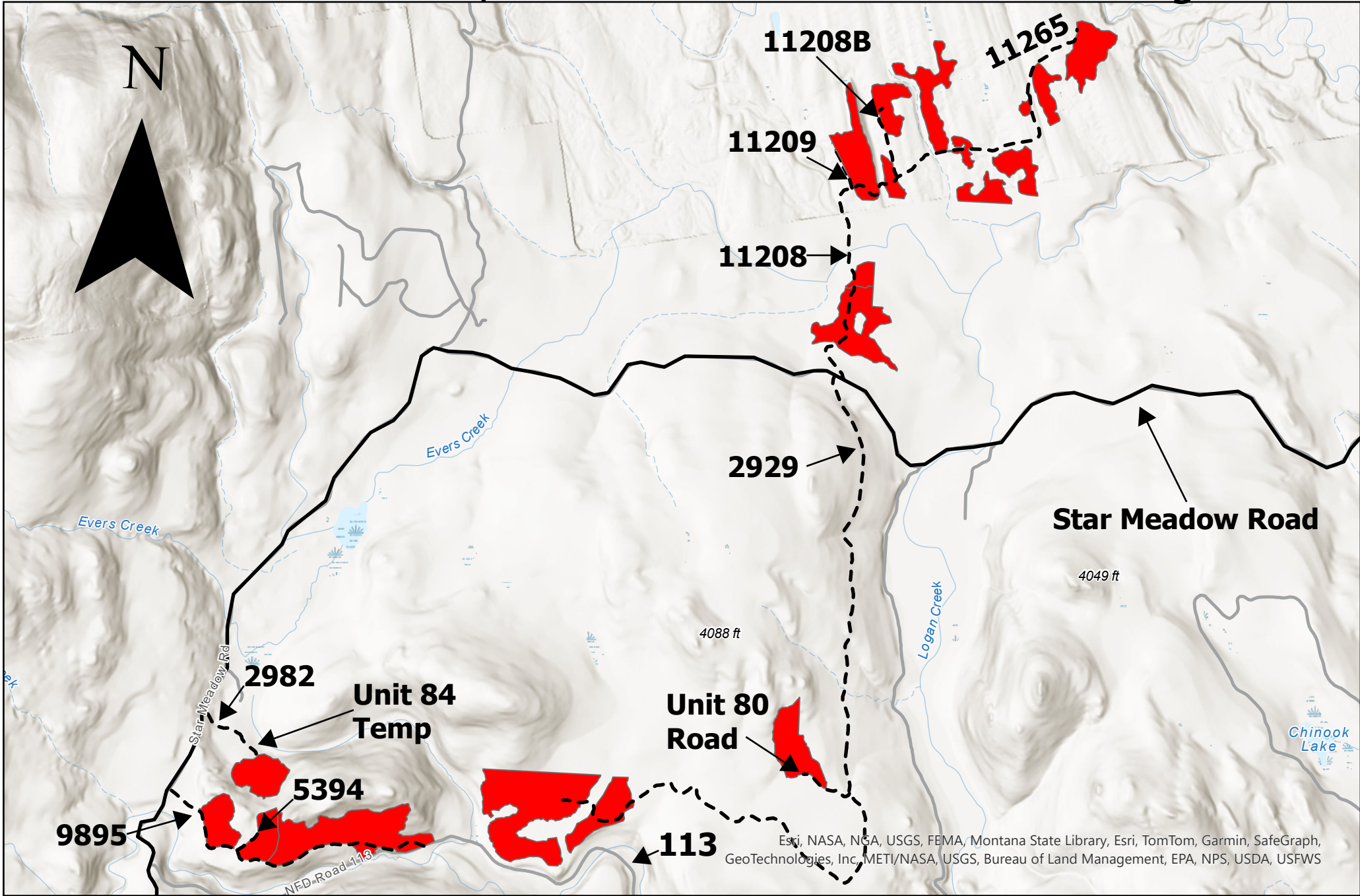
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Logging Information	
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	39%
% of volume logged with tractors	100%
% of volume logged by skyline	00%
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%
Yarding distance tractor (average)	800 ft.
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.
Estimated haul distance (paved)	34.0 miles
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	2.0 miles

Purchaser fees and estimated costs	
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$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 FI total \$	\$0
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$0.00/ton
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work total	\$68,412.00
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$2.74/ton

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates	
Estimated road development cost total	\$34,768
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$1.39/ton
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$9.88/MBF
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$7,726
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.31/ton
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton
Miles of road construction	0.2 miles
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles
Miles of road with site improvements	12.4 miles
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.2 miles
Miles of road maintenance and blading	15.0 miles

Unit harvest volume				
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline
Cutting Unit 4	41.01	2120	298	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 7	49.57	3198	450	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 9	40.46	1905	268	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 10	15.93	1114	157	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 11	12.19	586	82	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 22	6.67	431	61	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 30	42.45	1402	197	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 80	30.86	1421	200	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 84	23.03	818	115	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 88	116.20	3447	485	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 89	20.35	906	127	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 93	69.91	3074	432	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 94	17.40	682	96	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 114	6.84	194	27	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 139	19.24	1115	157	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 141	18.22	624	88	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 145	13.31	226	32	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 148	12.51	328	46	September 30, 2028
Cutting Unit 149	32.40	1420	200	September 30, 2028
	589 Ac.	25,012 tons	3,518 MBF	



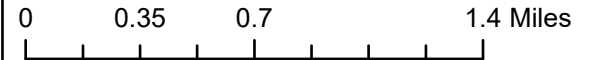
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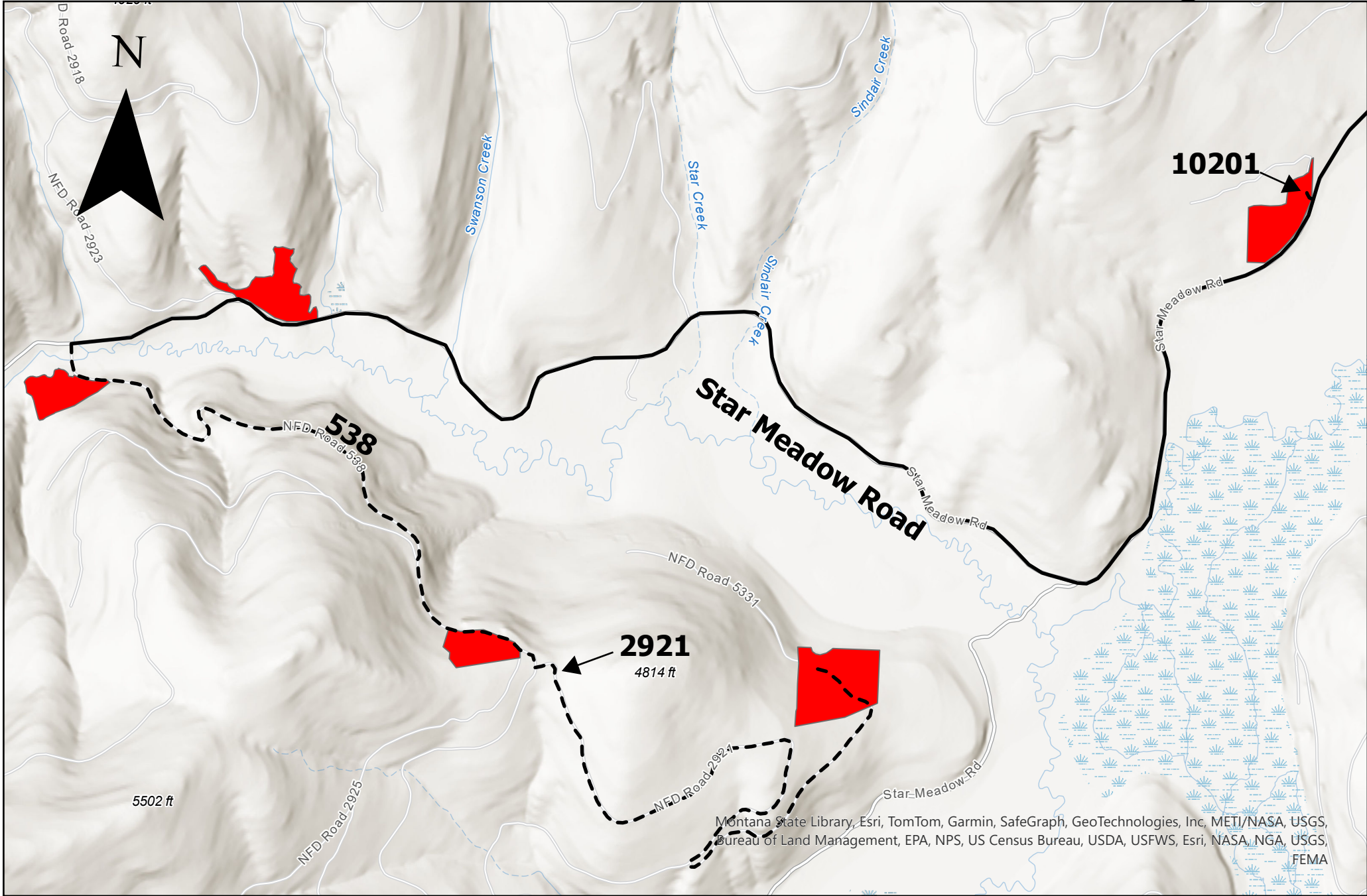


Access Roads

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Sale area is located 14 miles west of Whitefish, MT along the Star Meadow Road.





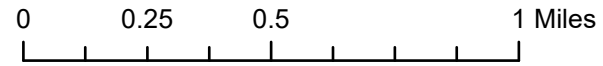
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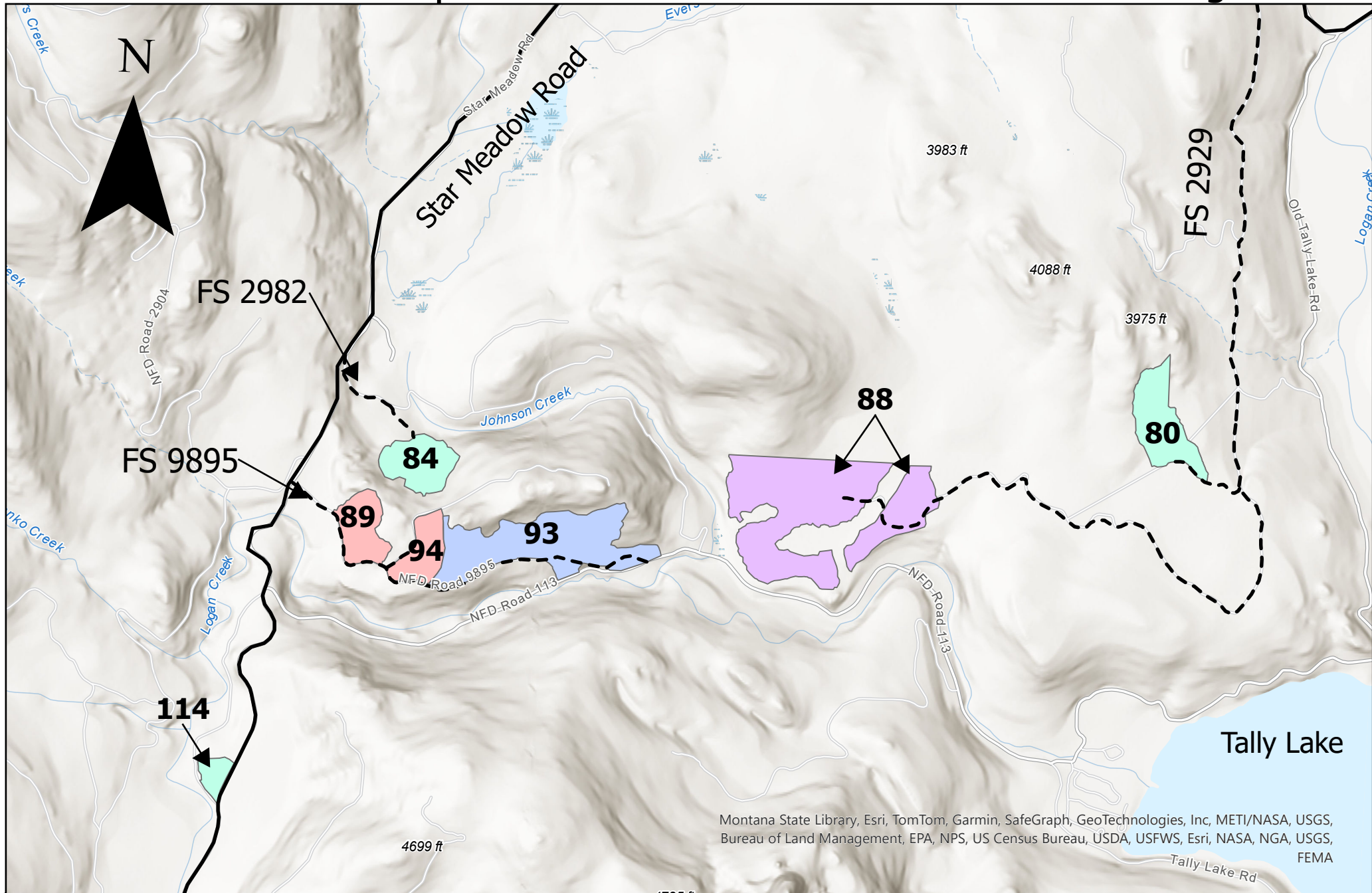


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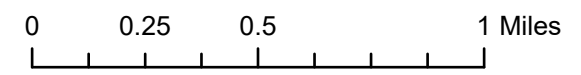


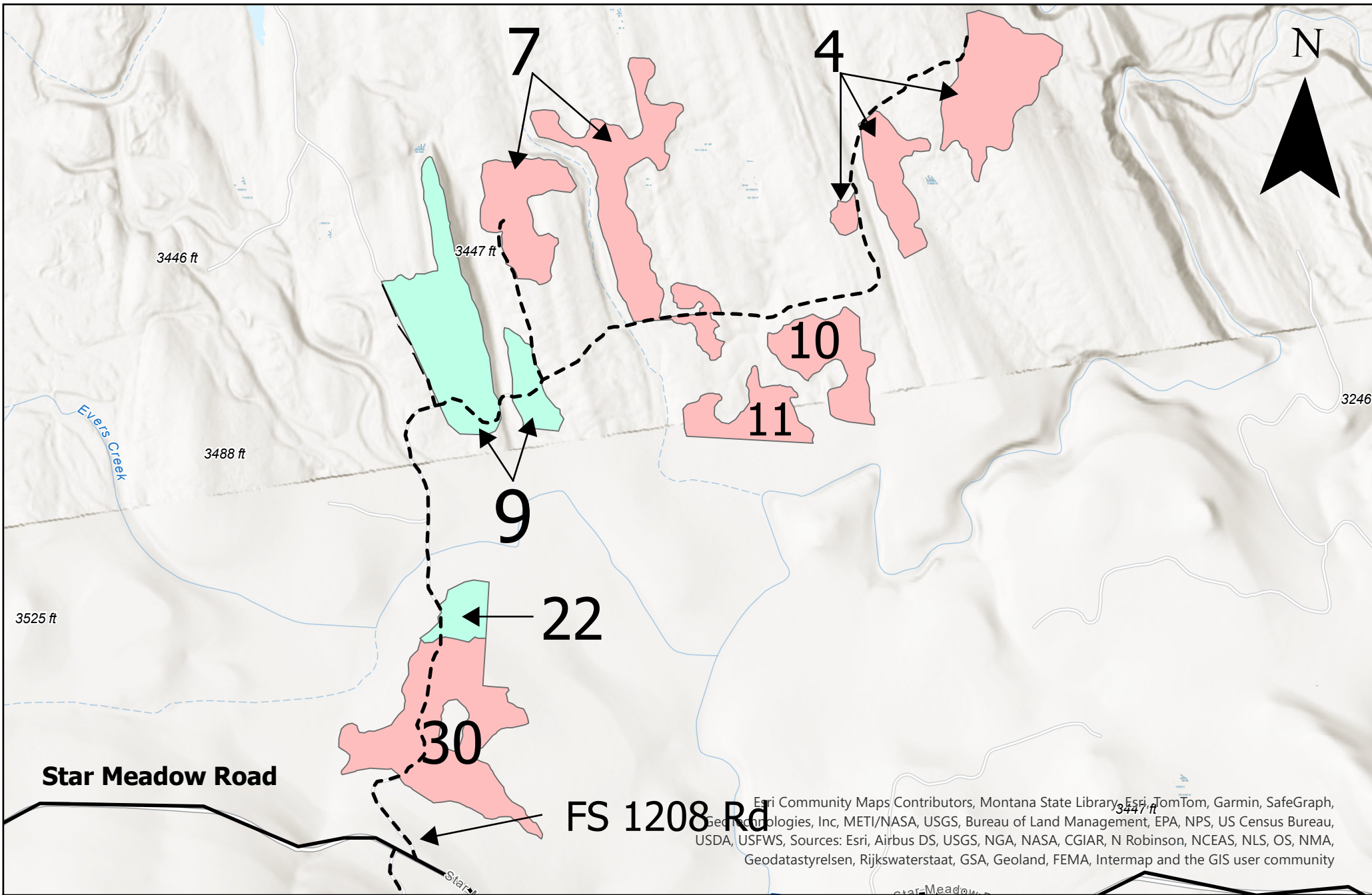


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 Commercial Thin	 Seed Tree
 Improvement Cut	 Shelterwood

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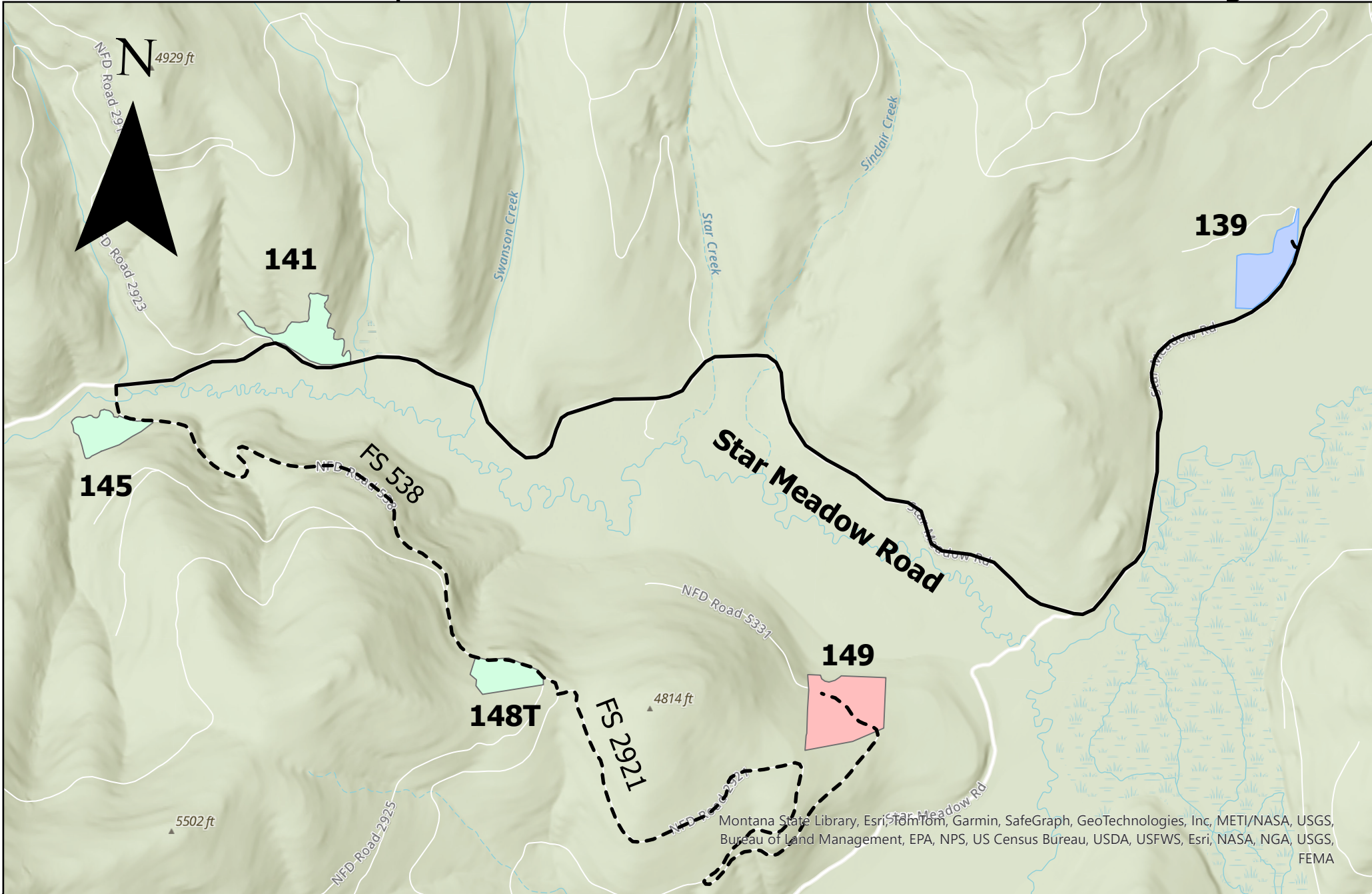


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



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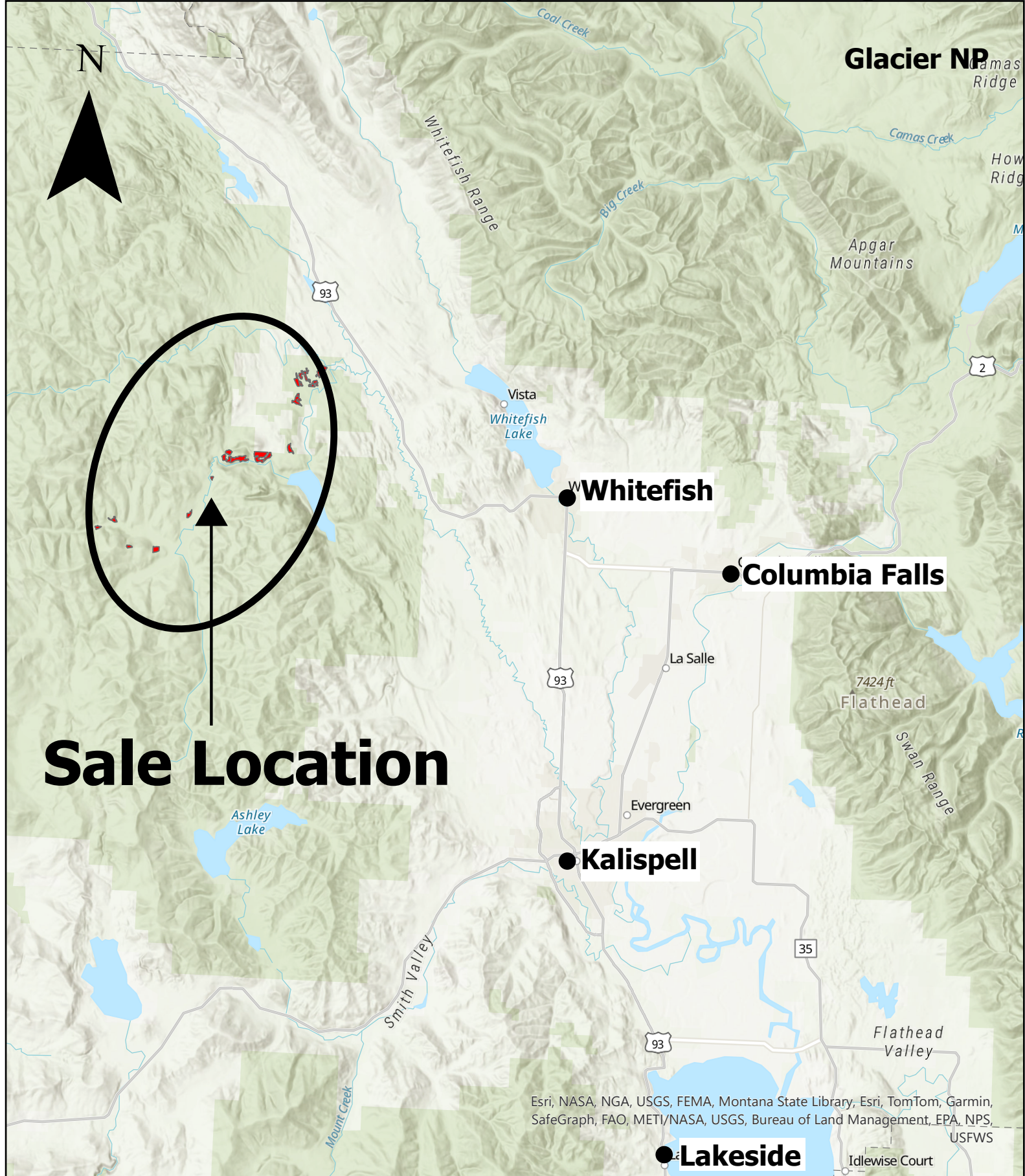


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Sale Location

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