NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The Libby Unit Office Timber Sale is located within Section 16, T30N-R29W, on the State's Libby Unit. Approximately 10,749 tons, consisting primarily Douglas-fir sawlogs, are offered for sale.

Sealed bids will be opened at the Department of Natural Resources & Conservation, 2705 Spurgin Road, Missoula, Montana on **April 26, 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 **\$8,465.00**, 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, Trust Land Management Division, in Missoula (406-542-4300), the Northwestern Land Office in Kalispell (406-751-2257), or the Libby Unit Office in Libby, MT (406-293-2711).

Visit our website at <u>http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/trust/forest-management/timber-sale-information</u> for upcoming sales and bid results.

TIMBER SALE PROSPECTUS

STATE OF MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

Timber Sale Name: Libby Unit Office							
For specifi	c sale informatior	i, contact: Alivia Shumaker					
Phone	406-283-3529	Libby	Unit				
For copies	For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:						
Phone	406-542-4300	Forest Management Bureau	DNRC Missoula Office				
Phone	406-751-2257	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. <u>The State strongly recommends that bidders evaluate these effects before bidding.</u>
- 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. <u>The State strongly recommends that bidders make their own estimates based on Contract requirements</u>. 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 <u>are not guaranteed.</u>
- 13. <u>This prospectus is provided for information purposes only.</u> If the prospectus is in error or contradicts the Timber Sale Contract, the Contract governs.

Additional Sale Information:

- 1. Fireline construction is required (approx. 1100 ft)
- 2. Slashing of logging damaged sub merchantable trees and hazardous fuels is required (453 ac)
- 3. Purchaser Leave Tree Selection (25-30 ft spacing)
- 4. 5.7 miles road maintenance, installing 1 gate and providing and installing 1 CMP
- 5. Dust Abatement is required (State Lands Office Road 740 feet)
- 6. Gate key available by appointment from Forest Officer at Libby Unit
- 7. See Contract VII. F. Unit Designations and Attachment A Osprey/Eagle Mitigation maps. If an active Osprey or Eagle Nest is identified by DNRC, operational restrictions will be followed as described in the Timber Sale Contract.

Timber Sale Information Sheet Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

				Libby U	nit Office						
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All All)											
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton											\$15.75
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7								40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs		10685								64	10,749 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material											0 tons
Gross MBF		2111								17	2,127 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		24.0								26.0	24.4%
Net MBF		1610								13	1,622 MBF
Average logs per MBF		22.5								39.3	22.6 logs/MBF
Average DBH		13.5								10.9	13.4 in.
Average tons to cut per acre							24 tons/ac				
Average MBF to cut per acre							3.6 MBF/ac				
Total Average TPA Cut						39					
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between 1,394 and 1,851 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises						14.1%					
		Ton	s Per Thou	sand Board	Feet						
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet 10,749 estimated tons / 1,622 Net MBF					6.63 tons/MBF						

Contract Information					
Contract Termination Date:	6/30/2024				
Operating Period:	See Contract VII. F. Unit Designations and Attachment A Osprey/Eagle Mitigation maps. When soil conditions permit.				

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Logging Information						
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%					
% of volume logged with tractors	93%					
% of volume logged by skyline	07%					
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%					
Yarding distance tractor (average)	550 ft.					
Yarding distance skyline (average)	300 ft.					
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.					
Estimated haul distance (paved)	57.0 miles					
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	2.0 miles					

Purchaser fees and estimated costs					
Forest Improvement fee perMBF	\$29.70/MBF				
Forest Improvement fee per ton	\$4.48/ton				
Forest Improvement fee estimated total	\$48,155.52				
Forest Improvement fee quarterly installment	\$8,025.92				
Estimated Purchaser-do FI total \$	\$23,475				
Estimated Purchaser-do FI per ton	\$2.18/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	\$9,048				
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$0.84/ton				
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$5.58/MBF				
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$2,760				
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.26/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	0.0 miles				
Miles of road with site improvements	0.1 miles				
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.0 miles				
Miles of road maintenance and blading	5.7 miles				

Unit harvest volume							
Unit #	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline			
1	453	10,749	1,622	March 1, 2024			
	453 Ac.	10,749 tons	1,622 MBF				









