NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The GNA Anderson Hill Salvage timber sale is located within sections 2, 11, & 12 of T12N – R14W within the Bureau of Land Management, Missoula Field Office. Approximately 11,179 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 Friday August 26, 2022, 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 \$7,557.00 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 at for upcoming sales and bid results.

https://gna-mtdnrc.hub.arcgis.com/pages/currently-advertised-timber-sales

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

Timber Sale Name: GNA Anderson Hill Salvage

For specific sale information, contact:

Phone 406-542-5877 406-360-2055 Nate Arno, GNA Forester Southwest Land Office

For copies of the Timber Sale Contract and bid forms, contact:

Phone 406-542-4300 Forestry Division DNRC Missoula Office

Phone

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. <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. This timber sale is a State of Montana Timber Sale on Bureau of Land Management (BLM) managed land being performed under the Good Neighbor Authority. Potential Purchasers should be aware that this is a partnership, between the Montana DNRC and the BLM, to increase the pace and Scale of forest restoration on BLM Lands. 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, BLM, and public attention on this timber sale. The DNRC and BLM 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 project design criteria 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. <u>Slashing required</u>: Slashing of damaged sub-merchantable trees in Units 1 and 5 (green areas) is required. Slashing and placement of non-merchantable material in the heavily burned areas is required to help facilitate soil stability and recovery. See contract sections VII.F and G for further information.
- 4. <u>Machine Piling Required:</u> Portions of Units 3,4, and 7 have significant LPP blowdown. If the purchaser is unable to salvage enough of the blow down to reduce the existing fuel loading, they <u>may</u> be required to machine pile residual material as determined by the forest officer. See Contract Section VII.G Special Operating Requirements for specifications.
- 5. <u>Immediate execution required:</u> Due to the time sensitive nature of this fire salvage sale, purchasers are required to begin road maintenance and harvest immediately upon execution of the contract.
- 6. <u>Hauling Options.</u>: Two separate haul routes are approved for this sale. The Range Road haul route allows access to HWY 200 to the west and the Bear Gulch haul route provides access to Interstate 90 to the south. The purchaser will only be required to perform required maintenance on the route they use. See Attachment B Section VII Road Log and Site Descriptions for requirements.
- 7. <u>Hauling Restrictions:</u> If the HWY 200 haul route is used. Hauling on the Range Road between January 1 and March 15 is prohibited. Plowing of the Range Road and hauling may resume after March 15 provided hauling will not damage the road surface and only approved by the Forest Officer. Hauling is also restricted from the hours of 11am-4pm on both haul routes between Memorial Day and Labor Day to reduce conflict with Ghost Town visitor traffic. This restriction may be waived with written permission from the BLM.
- 8. Optional Pre-Bid Tour: There will be an optional pre-bid field tour of the sale area on Monday August 8th. We will meet at 8:00am in the snowmobile parking lot on the Garnet Range Road just off HWY 200 on the top of Greenough Hill. Please RSVP to Nate @ 406-360-2055 or nathan.arno@mt.gov if you will be attending. If nobody RSVP's by Thursday August 4th at 5:00pm the tour will be cancelled.

Timber Sale Information Sheet Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

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Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All Live Cut)											
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton											\$13.52
Estimated tons of sawlogs		9379		985	316			499		0	11,179 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		150		140	3			15		0	308 tons
Gross MBF		1635		137	62			85		0	1,920 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		22.0		20.0	10.0			15.0		0.0	21.1%
Net MBF		1277		109	56			72		0	1,515 MBF
Average logs per MBF		25.2		54.4	14.1			29.1		0.0	27.1 logs/MBF
Average DBH		12.6		7.5	14.7			10.7		0.0	11.1 in.
Average tons to cut per acre							45 tons/ac				
Average MBF to cut per acre						6.1 MBF/ac					
Total Average TPA Cut						128					
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between 1,270 and 1,759 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises						16.1%					
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet											
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet 11,179 estimated tons / 1,515 Net MBF						7.38 tons/MBF					

Contract Information					
Contract Termination Date:	11/15/2024				
Operating Period:	Dry or Frozen Conditions, see contract for hauling restrictions				

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Logging Information					
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	100%				
% of volume logged with tractors	100%				
% of volume logged by skyline	00%				
% of volume logged by other system (specify)	00%				
Yarding distance tractor (average)	600 ft.				
Yarding distance skyline (average)	0 ft.				
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.				
Estimated haul distance (paved)	24 Miles (HWY 200)				
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	14.4 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	\$12,500.00				
Estimated Purchaser-do slash disposal work per ton	\$1.12/ton				

Road development and maintenance fees and estimates				
Estimated road development cost total (I-90 route)	\$36,004			
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$3.22/ton			
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$23.77/MBF			
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$7,124			
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.64/ton			
Private road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton			
USFS road maintenance charges per ton	\$0.00/ton			
Miles of road construction	0.5 miles			
Miles of road reconstruction	0.0 miles			
Miles of road with site improvements	0.0 miles			
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.5 miles			
Miles of road maintenance and blading	0.0 miles			

Unit harvest volume						
Unit#	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline		
1	16.35	1141	155	15-Nov-2023		
2	43.61	2349	318	15-Nov-2023		
3	13.98	989	134	15-Nov-2023		
4	65.42	2365	320	15-Nov-2023		
5	37.73	1215	165	15-Nov-2023		
6	56.32	2400	325	15-Nov-2023		
7	16.27	720	98	15-Nov-2023		
	250 Ac.	11,179 tons	1,515 MBF			





