NOTICE OF SALE

Department of Natural Resources & Conservation Timber Sale

The GNA Twin Lakes timber permit is located within sections 35 & 36 of T31N – R23W on the Flathead National Forest. Approximately 1,829 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 **Thursday July 28**th 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 \$1,943.00, 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). Kalispell Unit office in Kalispell (406-751-2240)

Visit our website at for upcoming sales and bid results.

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

Timber Sale Name: GNA Twin Lakes Timber Permit

For specific sale information, contact: Pete Evans

Phone 406-751-2256 Kalispell Unit

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.
- 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</u>
 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 percent's, defect, product class, etc. provided in this prospectus and volume estimates listed in the Timber Sale Contract <u>are not guaranteed.</u>
- 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 this is one of the first Good Neighbor Timber Sales in Montana, 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. This sale uses purchaser select methods for denoting cut timber. Potential purchasers should familiarize themselves with the designations in the contact (VII.F&G)
- 4. There are residences within 1000 feet of the boundaries in Unit 1. For this unit, the "high" fire hazard reduction is applicable: 90% of the slash within 100 feet of any residence, and for 100 feet inside any portion of a cutting unit boundary that lies within 1,000 feet of a residential structure must be chipped, piled, buried, or removed within 60 days of its creation.
- There are portions of harvest unit 1 that is adjacent to Lincoln Electric Cooperative (LEC) powerlines. The purchaser
 is required to follow coop guidelines for working around powerlines. Prior to working in these areas, DNRC, the
 Purchaser, and LEC will hold a coordination meeting.
- 6. Unit 1 is adjacent to the Farm to Market Road. It is the purchaser's responsibility to notify the Flathead County Road and Bridge Department concerning the schedule for logging these units, and follow the rules required by that department to ensure that the logging is conducted safely.
- 7. The Forest Officer and Contractors will agree to a specific traffic control plan. The plan will require the contractor to install and maintain temporary traffic controls that provide forest users with adequate warning of hazardous conditions associated with the contractor's operations. Hauling restrictions limiting days and times shall be considered during implementation to provide for public safety, if needed.

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GNA Twin Lakes											
Timber Sale Cruise Data (Scribner 5.6" top DIB, Filter: All All Cut)											
SPECIES	PP	DF	WL	LP	ES	GF	RC	AF	WP	Dead	TOTAL or AVE
Minimum Bid per ton											
Pounds per cubic foot		61.7	58.3	56.0	57.0					40.0	
Estimated tons of sawlogs		304	222	1240	69					0	1,835 tons
Estimated tons of non-sawlog material		6	5	73	2					0	86 tons
Gross MBF		48	38	196	11					0	294 MBF
% Cull and Breakage		15.0	12.0	13.0	10.0					0.0	13.2%
Net MBF		41	33	170	10					0	255 MBF
Average logs per MBF		25.4	29.2	37.4	25.1					0.0	33.9 logs/MBF
Average DBH		11.5	10.8	8.9	10.7					0.0	9.5 in.
Average tons to cut per acre							25 tons/ac				
Average MBF to cut per acre						3.6 MBF/ac					
Total Average TPA Cut						89					
Calculated Sampling Error: Total cruised volume will fall between 221 and 288 Net MBF in 9 out of 10 cruises						13.1%					
Tons Per Thousand Board Feet											
Conversion Factor - Estimated tons hauled per thousand Scribner board feet 1,835 estimated tons / 255 Net MBF						7.20 tons/MBF					

Contract Information				
Contract Termination Date:	6/30/2024			
Operating Period:	July 30, 2022 - Nov 30, 2022, Dec 20, 2022-Feb 15, 2023, July 1, 2023- Nov 30, 2023, Dec 20, 2023-Feb 15, 2024 as soil conditions allow.			

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Logging Information					
% of volume logged by clearcut or seed tree cut	00%				
% 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.				
Yarding distance other system (specify)	0 ft.				
Estimated haul distance (paved)	17.0 miles				
Estimated haul distance (unpaved)	0.3 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	\$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	\$3,500				
Estimated road development cost per ton	\$1.91/ton				
Estimated road development cost perMBF	\$13.74/MBF				
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost total	\$1,200				
Estimated Purchaser-do road maintenance cost per ton	\$0.65/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	0.0 miles				
Miles of road with site improvements	1.0 miles				
Miles of road reclamation or abandonment	0.1 miles				
Miles of road maintenance and blading	1.0 miles				

Unit harvest volume							
Unit#	Acres	Est Tons	Est MBF	Harvest Deadline			
1	24.00	451	63	February 15, 2024			
2	30.00	914	127	February 15, 2024			
2a	16.00	470	65	February 15, 2024			



