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## INVITATION TO BID

### Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project - Phase 2

#### 726.1 Acres of Commercial Thinning

#### 281.1 Acres of Grapple Piling

#### Optional Acres Bid Item: 171.6 Acres Commercial Thinning

#### SOLICITATION OVERVIEW

Plumas Corporation (PC) on behalf of the Plumas County Fire Safe Council (PCFSC) issues this Prospectus to solicit bids and qualifications from qualified California Licensed Timber Operators (Class A) and CSLB C-49 Contractors, to assist the PCFSC and PC with implementing hazardous fuels reduction for Phase 2 of the Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project. The project encompasses 1,178.8 acres across non-contiguous private lands, involving 6 different landowners within the WUI of Delleker and Portola, CA. Commercial thinning operations will be conducted under a CAL FIRE Forest Resilience Exemption.

Project funding is provided by a USDA Forest Service, Community Wildfire Defense Grant: Federal Financial Assistance Award of Domestic Grant: 23-DG-11052012-455. Project contracts will be held with Plumas Corporation, the fiscal agent for Plumas County Fire Safe Council.

Plumas Corporation and the Plumas County Fire Safe Council reserve the right to reject any proposal and to select and negotiate all work based solely on the judgment of the Plumas County Fire Safe Council, the Project Forester, and Plumas Corporation as to the suitability of the persons responding to this Prospectus to perform the described work.

Interviews will be at the option of the Plumas County Fire Safe Council and Plumas Corporation.

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<b>ADVERTISEMENT DATE</b>	May 6th, 2026
<b>MANDATORY PRE-BID FIELD TOUR</b>	Wednesday May 27, 2026 09:00: Meet at the Plumas/Sierra Regional Courthouse 600 South Gulling Street Portola, CA 96122 *Contact us 24 hours prior if interested in bidding, but unable to make this bid tour date.
<b>BID DEADLINE</b>	Friday June 5, 2026 23:59 PDT
<b>PROJECT COMMENCEMENT DATE</b>	Work is expected to start Summer 2026
<b>PROJECT COMPLETION DATE</b>	June 30, 2028

### Treatment Types

1. Commercial thinning. These acres will meet the vegetation treatment specifications of the CAL FIRE Forest Resilience Exemption 14 CCR 1038.3. \*A CA Licensed Timber Operator (Type A) is required to bid item #1\*
2. Non-commercial: Grapple Piling \*CSLB C-49 Contractor's License is required to bid item #2\*

**Location and Description:** The project is situated in Eastern Plumas County, California. Specifically, the project area is located near the communities of Delleker & Portola, CA with the following geographic and administrative characteristics:

- Geographical Setting: Situated adjacent to California State Highway 70 and County Road A-15
- Project maps (Maps 1-6) delineate the 1,178.8-acre project area and are provided in **Appendix A**.
- The project area is at an estimated elevation of 4,950 feet above mean sea level (MSL).

### Bid Items

The project has been broken into **3 Bid Items**:

1. Bid Item #1: 726.1 Acres Commercial Thinning
2. Bid Item #2: Optional Acres - 171.6 Acres Commercial Thinning
3. Bid Item #3: 281.1 Acres Grapple Piling

**Contractors may submit bids in one of two ways:**

**1. Complete Project Bid**

Submit a proposal for the entire project (Bid Items #1, #2, #3)

**2. Treatment Type Bid**

Commercial Thinning (Bid Items 1 and/or 2): Contractors may submit a proposal for Bid Item 1 alone or for both Bid Items 1 and 2. Submission of a price for Bid Item 2 is encouraged but not required.

Non-Commercial Grapple Piling (Bid Item 3): Contractors may submit a proposal for Bid Item 3 independently, without submitting pricing for Bid Items 1 or 2.

**Payment**

Payment shall be made upon completion and approval of units by the RPF, with partial payments approved for completed increments of no less than 50 acres.

<b>Bid Item #1: 726.1 Acres Commercial Thin</b>				
<b>Unit</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>DBH</b>	<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
1a	275.8	<30"	Wolf Meadows Ranch	Commercial Thin
1b	252.8	<30"	Wolf Meadows Ranch	Commercial Thin
1c	29.0	<30"	Wolf Meadows Ranch	Commercial Thin
2	73.9	<30"	South Portola	Commercial Thin
3	94.6	<30"	South Portola	Commercial Thin
<b>TOTAL: 726.1 Acres</b>				

<b>*Bid Item #2: 171.6 Acres Commercial Thin*</b>				
<p><i>*Bid Item #2 is an Optional Bid Item consisting of 171.6 Acres Commercial Thinning</i></p> <p>Award of Bid Item #2 is contingent upon the availability of additional funding. Bidders shall provide unit pricing for all Optional Bid Item acres at the time of bid submission.</p>				
<b>Unit</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>DBH</b>	<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
6	171.6	<30"	Grizzly	Commercial Thin
<b>TOTAL: 171.6 Acres</b>				

### **Bid Item #1 & #2 Treatment Specifications**

All commercial thinning will occur under 4 separate CAL FIRE Forest Resilience Exemptions (previously known as the CAL FIRE Forest Fire Prevention Exemption) as per 14 CCR 1038, and all timber operations will occur in compliance with the CA Forest Practice Rules.

### **Technical Approach**

Bidders shall provide a written technical approach describing how they intend to meet the desired conditions of the CAL FIRE Forest Resilience Exemption (14 CCR §1038) within the treatment specifications included herein.

Sawlog removal is required.

Bidders have flexibility in how they propose to manage sub-merchantable material and slash. Acceptable slash abatement methods include biomass removal, broadcast chipping, pile burning, follow-up mastication, or a combination thereof, provided the chosen approach achieves the required post-treatment fuel depth and ladder/surface fuel spacing standards outlined in the treatment specifications.

In your technical approach, please describe:

Your proposed slash abatement method(s) and how they will achieve the required desired conditions

Your equipment to be used

Your proposed sequence of operations

Technical approach will be evaluated as part of bid selection criteria.

### **Sale of Logs & Chips:**

- Legal ownership and title of merchantable forest products resulting from the project shall be vested with the Licensed Timber Operator, and shall receive payments from the mill directly.
- The Licensed Timber Operator shall be responsible for obtaining a purchase agreement from a sawmill.
- The Licensed Timber Operator shall be responsible for the California Timber Yield Tax when any forest products are sold.
- Mill-generated load receipts and payment receipts shall be submitted to Plumas County Fire Safe Council as proof of sale. The Plumas County Fire Safe Council requires this financial documentation for grant reporting and to establish accurate cost-benefit data for future grant applications.

### **Tree Removal/Retention Specifications**

Leave trees will consist of healthy, vigorous dominant and co dominant trees with full crowns, insect and disease free, and the best phenotypes available.

1. 1. A sample mark has been provided by the RPF. Within the sample mark, leave all trees that exceed 12.0 inches DBH unless marked with blue paint.
2. 2. Outside the sample mark, trees will be harvested according to the following designation prescription:
  - a. Tree removal shall target suppressed, intermediate, and understory trees in order to increase crown to base height and the Quadratic Mean Diameter of the stand. As per 14 CCR §1038.3(g), The QMD of trees greater than eight (8) inches DBH in the Harvest Area shall be increased in the post-harvest stand.
  - b. Target residual basal area per acre shall be 75 square feet to 100 square feet per acre. The minimum basal area shall be 75 square feet per acre.
  - c. Only trees less than thirty (30) inches DBH may be removed as per 14 CCR §1038.3(h). The six (6) trees with the largest DBH per acre within the boundaries of the project shall not be harvested as per 14 CCR §1038.3(k).
  - d. In stands where the preharvest Dominant and Codominant crown canopy is occupied by trees less than fourteen (14) inches in DBH, a minimum of sixty-five (65) trees over four (4) inches in DBH shall be retained per acre on lands of all Site Classifications as per 14 CCR §1038.3(i)(2).
  - e. The minimum post treatment Canopy closure of Dominant and Codominant trees shall be 30% for all forest types on approximately (80) percent of the Harvest Area as per 14 CCR §1038.3(n).
  - f. All Slash and Woody Debris shall be removed, chipped or masticated to achieve a maximum post-harvest depth of six (6) inches above the ground on average across the project area.
    - i. All surface fuels within one-hundred-fifty (150) feet of an Approved and Legally Permitted Structure, which could promote the spread of wildfire, shall be chipped or removed.
    - ii. Slash and woody debris, created during operations, within 50 feet of a public road or critical infrastructure, shall be chipped or removed.

- g. All fuel treatments shall be completed within one (1) year from the date the Director receives the notice
- h. Conifer Snags 16”+ DBH and over 20 feet tall shall be retained at a maximum rate of 2 per acre where they exist in the preharvest stand provided they do not pose a safety risk during and following timber operations.
- i. The level of residual Stocking shall be consistent with maximum sustained production of high-quality timber products. The residual stand shall consist primarily of healthy and vigorous Dominants and Codominants from the preharvest stand. Trees retained to meet the Basal Area stocking standards shall be selected from the largest trees available on the project area prior to harvest. In no case shall stocking be reduced below the standards found within 14 CCR § 913.3 [933.3, 953.3] (a): 14 CCR 933.3(a)(1)(A)(Northern, Southern) states: On Site III mixed conifer lands, at least 75 sq. ft. per acre of basal area shall be left, and on Site III lands where greater than 50% of the basal area is pine, at least 75 sq. ft. per acre of basal area shall be left.
- j. All oaks 4” DBH and greater shall be retained.
- k. Species preference for retention shall be ca black Oak, Sugar Pine, Incense Cedar, Douglas Fir, Ponderosa Pine, White Fir, Lodgepole Pine.

### **Tree Selection**

Trees to be harvested will include select codominant, intermediate, and suppressed trees where upon removal will eliminate the vertical continuity of fuels (ladder fuels) and horizontal continuity of fuels (tree crowns) for the purpose of reducing the rate of spread, duration and intensity, fuel ignitability, or ignition of tree crowns. Only trees less than thirty (30) inches DBH may be removed as per 14 CCR 1038.3(h).

Trees specifically targeted for removal include those 1) In the suppressed and Intermediate crown classes, 2) those with poor vigor such as less than 30% live crown, sparse crown, or otherwise poor form; 3) and those with visible structural defects, and/or evidence of insect and/or disease infestation. Codominant trees may be removed to reduce horizontal crown fuel continuity and stand density, provided the stand QMD increases within the residual stand as per 14 CCR 1038.3(g). Furthermore, as per 14 CCR 1038.3(x), the level of residual stocking shall be consistent with maximum sustained production of high quality timber products. The residual stand shall consist primarily of healthy and vigorous Dominants and Codominants from the preharvest stand. Trees retained to meet the Basal Area stocking standards shall be selected from the largest trees available on the project area prior to harvest. In no case shall stocking be reduced below the standards found within 14 CCR 933.3.

### **Wildlife Considerations**

Conifer Snags 16”+ DBH and over 20 feet tall shall be retained at a maximum rate of 2 per acre where they exist in the preharvest stand provided they do not pose a safety risk during and following timber operations. Native shrubs, brush, large down woody debris, and similar ground cover may be retained in a “mosaic” arrangement provided such arrangement does not provide vertical or horizontal continuity of fuels within the residual stand.

3. Tree Spacing Guidelines:
  - a. Area dominated by trees <12" DBH: 15-20 feet between edge of tree bole.
  - b. Species preference: CA Black Oak/hardwoods, Sugar Pine, Incense Cedar, Ponderosa Pine, Douglas fir, White fir, Lodgepole Pine.
  - c. 12"+ DBH: 25-30 feet, retaining 75 - 100 sq.ft basal area per acre.
  - d. Cut all dead trees up to 30" DBH unless there is evidence of active wildlife use or upon designation by the RPF, retained at a maximum rate of 2 per acre.
4. If no healthy undamaged tree exists at the required spacing interval, leave the best tree with minor damage.

### **Treatment of Designated Trees**

1. The Contractor shall make every effort to conduct the felling operations to prevent careless or unnecessary damage of unmarked trees, young growth and leave trees. All designated trees shall be felled and removed to the landing for processing.
2. All damaged trees over 5 inches DBH will be ignored relative to spacing requirements. Trees less than five (5) inches in diameter and damaged during operations shall be cut and disposed of as slash. Trees, in the judgment of the RPF, that have been accidentally cut or damaged as a result of the Contractor's operations, may be designated for cutting by the RPF, and if so designated shall be treated for cutting under the terms herein.
3. Complete treatment of designated trees and slash will be accomplished by removal, chipping, follow-up mechanical mastication, or a combination of these methods. See requirements for treatment of slash and other vegetative debris as specified within this Scope of Work.
4. Stumps shall be cut as low as possible during initial felling and in no case shall be over 6 inches on the uphill side except where more height is needed to insure safe working conditions and approved by the RPF.
5. Trees along overhead utility lines exist within the treatment area. Should the LTO have concerns about felling of any particular trees within the utility easement, they shall contact the RPF to coordinate with the utility to have the given tree(s) felled. The utility shall not be responsible for felling all trees along the powerline easement.
6. Woody material removed from the project area shall be treated according to the highest and best use where sawlogs are of highest value and woods produced chips and/or firewood is of subsequent value. The intent of the prescription is to remove as much material as possible as sawlogs and minor wood products, leaving the minimum amount of material for surface fuel treatment. Chipping and/or firewooding of merchantable sawlogs is not allowed.

### **Treatment of Slash, Ladder Fuels, Brush & Other Vegetative Debris**

Surface and ladder fuels in the commercial thinning areas, including logging slash and debris, brush, and deadwood, that could promote the spread of wildfire, will be treated to achieve standards for vertical and horizontal spacing between fuels, maximum depth of dead ground fuels, and treatment of dead fuels as follows:

1. Ladder and surface fuels shall be spaced to achieve a vertical clearance distance of eight feet or three times the height of the post-harvest fuels, whichever is greater, as measured from the base of

the base of the live crown of the post harvest dominant or codominant trees to the top of the ladder or surface fuels, whichever is taller.

2. Ladder and surface fuels shall be spaced to achieve a horizontal clearance distance of 2 – 6 times the height of the post harvest fuels as measured from the outside branch edges of the fuels. On slopes 0-20%, the horizontal clearance distance shall be a minimum of two times the height of the post harvest fuels; on 20-40% slopes the distance shall be four times the height of the post harvest fuels.
3. Brush occurring within drip line of leave trees, within 5 feet of leave snags, or within 5 feet of leave logs shall be treated.
4. Brush stump heights shall be no more than 6 inches high as measured on the uphill side or 6 inches above natural obstacles (i.e. logs, rocks).
5. Surface fuel depth including but not limited to logging slash, debris, brush, deadwood, and broadcast/masticated chips, shall be no greater than 6 inches in depth averaged over 80% of the unit, as measured from bare mineral soil.
6. Contractor shall yard sound dead and down logs to the landing for processing to minimize the amount of residual masticated material.
7. Masticated material shall not be concentrated into piles or against residual vegetation.
8. No cut material shall lean against or be suspended by a leave tree.
9. Contractor shall practice due diligence to ensure mastication will achieve the smallest piece size feasible, as well as uniformity in piece size to the greatest extent possible.
10. All cut vegetation shall be kept within project boundaries.
11. All slash created by the cutting of trees within the Project Area will be completely treated through chipping, mastication, pile burning, and/or removal from the Project Area within 45 days of its creation.
12. Isolated logs that exhibit progressed decay characterized by lack of bark and twigs, faded wood color and soft wood texture, or logs that are incorporated into mineral soil may be left unaltered by the Contractor, provided they are isolated and do not contribute to a concentration of surface fuels. No aerial fuels are allowed on leave logs.
13. Live, healthy willows, cottonwoods, and other riparian species shall generally be retained, unless damaged during the course of operations, where they shall be treated to the specifications herein.
14. Lop and scatter shall not be used as a means of slash abatement.
15. The following standards shall apply to the treatment of slash created by Timber Operations within the Plan area and on roads adjacent to the Plan area:
  - (a) Slash to be treated by piling and burning shall be treated as follows:
    - (1) Piles created prior to September 1 shall be treated not later than April 1 of the year following its creation, or within 30 days following climatic access after April 1 of the year following its creation.
    - (2) Piles created on or after September 1 shall be treated not later than April 1 of the second year following its creation, or within 30 days following climatic access after April 1 of the second year following its creation.
  - (b) Within 100 feet of the edge of the traveled surface of Public Roads, and within 50 feet of the edge of the traveled surface of permanent private roads open for public use where permission to pass is not required, Slash created and trees knocked down by Timber Operations shall be treated

by Lopping for Fire Hazard Reduction, piling and burning, chipping, burying or removal from the zone.

(c) All Slash and Woody Debris greater than one inch but less than eight inches in diameter within 100 feet of Approved and Legally Permitted Habitable Structures shall be removed or piled and burned; all Slash created between 100-200 feet of Approved and Legally Permitted Habitable Structures shall be Lopped for Fire Hazard Reduction, removed, chipped or piled and burned; Lopping may be required between 200-500 feet where unusual fire risk or hazard exist as determined by the Director or the RPF.

(d) Slash and woody debris within 50 feet of a public road or critical infrastructure, as defined by the board, shall be chipped, burned, or removed. This standard will apply to overhead powerlines, and all utility easements.

<b>Bid Item #3: 281.1 Acres Grapple Pile</b>				
<b>Unit</b>	<b>Acres</b>	<b>DBH</b>	<b>Unit Name</b>	<b>Treatment</b>
5	281.1	<12"	South Portola Non-Commercial	Grapple Pile

**\*\*\*Please note the following regarding Bid Item 3: \*\*\***

The 281.1 acres comprising the South Portola Non-Commercial Treatment Area are included in this solicitation for bidding purposes; however, authorization for prescribed burning activities within City limits is pending final resolution by the Portola City Council. A final decision is anticipated no later than June 2026.

All bidders who submit responsive bids for this item will be notified in writing of the City Council's resolution and the official contract start date once authorization is confirmed. A contract for Bid Item 2 will be issued following receipt of final City approval.

Submission of a bid for this item does not guarantee award or issuance of a notice to proceed.

Bidders are encouraged to submit bids for Bid Item 2 and should plan accordingly for a potential work commencement date following June 2026.

Grapple piling and burning will be utilized to abate native brush and conifers according to the prescription below:

1. Tracked excavator equipped with a thumb is required to implement the grapple piling by pulling brush out by the roots and compacting piles.

2. Cut conifers according to the hand thinning silvicultural prescription increasing the diameter limit to 12" DBH.
3. Also cut brush, snags, and dead and down up the specified diameter into manageable sized pieces for grapple piling, generally 12 feet long.
4. Brush shall be pulled out by the roots to the greatest extent feasible as the intent of the prescription is to reduce resprouting of the native shrub species.
5. Brush clumps not exceeding 10 feet in width may be retained in a mosaic fashion provided each clump is at least 20 feet away from residual tree(s), and other retained vegetation and is not located within the dripline of any residual tree(s). At least 85% of the existing brush coverage shall be placed into grapple piles, allowing for no greater than 15% of existing brush to be retained in a mosaic fashion.
6. Pile the resulting slash into piles that are at least 12 feet tall with steep sides. Heavier materials should be placed inward into the burn pile interior, and each pile containing material protruding greater than 3 feet will be trimmed back and placed on pile.
7. Burn piles will be constructed free of dirt and non-combustible material to ensure a clean, safe burn.
8. Piles will be located away from stumps and sufficient distance away from residual trees, or other vegetation to reduce scorch.
9. Cover  $\frac{3}{4}$  of the piles with wax-coated clean burn slash pile paper at the very top of the pile where it is visible. Cover paper with a minimal amount of slash material so it stays in place under high winds but remains visible.
10. Wind Row piles up to 40 feet long are acceptable. Orient windrows up and down slope and place a piece of wax-coated clean burn slash pile paper at either end.
11. Oak trees greater than 4" DBH shall not be cut or damaged unless approved by the RPF prior to operations, and shall only be allowed to provide for operability and pile placement in specific areas.

## Treatment Area Designations:

Each treatment unit is flagged with surveyor's ribbon. Color codes and significance are as follows:

**Solid Red:** Property boundary, do not cross

**Orange:** Commercial Thinning Treatment Boundary Bid Item #1

**Flo Pink:** Grapple Pile Treatment Unit Boundary Bid Item #2

**Blue and White Candy-Striped:** Watercourse Equipment Limitation Zone

**Solid Blue:** Equipment Exclusion Zone

**Red and Black Candy-Striped:** Equipment Exclusion Zone

## Project Oversight:

RPF oversight will be needed during implementation of the project and needed to provide professional advice. RPF duties during project implementation are listed below:

- Oversight of thinning operations and slash disposal.

- Provide contractor recommendations, coordinate and monitor the implementation crew including corrective action when necessary. Field inspections will be performed during and after project completion to ensure completion of correct and efficient work.
- RPF will inspect the crew's fire safety equipment.
- Ensure CA Forest Practice Rules are adhered to, a designee may be utilized but the RPF accepts the ultimate responsibility for the project.
- Inspect and oversee any rework needed in the event it is requested by the PCFSC.
- RPF will provide maps that identify acres completed on any given invoice submitted by LTO for accurate reporting to grantors.
- RPF or designee shall be onsite during operations at least 3 days a week to provide quality control: ensure operations meet contract specifications, are in compliance with CA Forest Practice Rules, and address any landowner questions or concerns.
- Upon receipt of LTO invoices, RPF will field verify all work being billed to confirm its completion. RPF will provide to the PCFSC HFR Project Manager corresponding maps documenting the completed work to validate the services detailed in LTO's invoices.

\* For any additional project oversight matters not specified above, please direct inquiries to the PCFSC HFR Project Manager.

**The contractor does not have the discretion to make changes to the treatment area or prescription.**

## **General Provisions/BMPs:**

Standard Best Management Practices established in the CA Forest Practice Rules will govern all operations. Watercourse protection, wildlife habitat evidence, potential cultural resources, and any other natural resource of concern will be protected and fuel treatment practices will align with CA Forest Practice Act.

1. Dirt roads will not be driven on when the roads are saturated to avoid damage.
2. All utility easements must be cleared of debris and maintained in a condition that allows passage by standard two-wheel-drive vehicles.
3. No heavy equipment operations may occur on saturated soils.
4. Watercourse crossings shall be limited to:
  - a. Existing crossings.
  - b. New crossings of Class III watercourses which are dry at the time of use and designated by the project RPF
5. The following maintenance and monitoring standards shall apply to Logging Roads and Landings according to 14 CCR § 923.7, 943.7, 963.7
 

**(k)** All Logging Roads, including abandoned, deactivated, and appurtenant roads, Landings, and associated drainage structures used for Timber Operations shall be monitored as needed to comply with 14 CCR § 1050. Monitoring inspections shall be conducted, when access is feasible during the prescribed maintenance period, a sufficient number of times during the extended wet weather period, particularly after large winter storm events and at least once annually, to evaluate the function of drainage facilities and structures. The Department shall also conduct monitoring inspections at least once during the prescribed maintenance period to assess Logging Road and Landing conditions.
6. Equipment shall be excluded from flagged riparian buffers.

7. Thinning debris shall not be deposited within the high-water mark of a natural watercourse. Any accidental deposits will be removed immediately. Roadside drainage ditches will be kept free of thinning debris. Any deposits in roadside drainage ditches will be removed at the end of each workday.
8. Dust abatement measures including watering will be implemented at the direction of the RPF. No dust suppressing chemicals are permitted. Contractors may obtain water at the City of Portola Public Works yard at no charge.
9. Vehicle speeds will be limited to 20 miles/hour on dirt roads and surfaces unless otherwise posted.
10. Equipment shall be free of fluid leaks. Any inadvertent leaks onto the ground surface will be mitigated by removal of contaminated soil.
11. Ditches, culverts, and all other drainage facilities shall be maintained so they will be functional at all times.
12. Winter operations will only be allowed, upon approval by the RPF, during extended dry periods and hard frozen conditions as per 14 CCR. 895. To prevent unacceptable impacts to the watershed, soils, leave trees, or roads, wet season operations will be in consultation with the RPF & PCFSC.
13. Should the Contractor need to control traffic for their operations, traffic control personnel shall be provided at the expense of the Contractor.
14. The Contractor shall be entirely responsible for any damage that their operations cause to public or private property and boundary landmarks. Roads, curbs, fences, utilities, or other permanent improvements that are damaged shall be repaired by the Contractor to the condition that existed before the commencement of the contract work. Work shall be conducted so as to prevent treated material from hitting project area structures, fences and other improvements, or survey landmarks.
15. A pre-operational meeting will be held with the RPF and the crew foreman to discuss all treatment methods and mitigations.
16. Project oversight will be provided by the RPF or designee, as described above, to ensure compliance with the aforementioned specifications. This oversight shall not supplant the Contractor's responsibility for their operations and quality control.
17. Contractor shall contact the RPF or designee if there will be any delay in operations that exceeds two working days.
18. Clean all equipment and vehicles of all attached mud, dirt and plant parts at a vehicle washing station or steam cleaning facility before the equipment and vehicles enter the project area.
19. Operations shall be conducted to prevent soil and vegetative debris from entering paved roadways. Driveways and roads utilized during operations shall be swept or otherwise cleared daily prior to the conclusion of each day to remain passable. If soil or debris does accumulate on paved roadways, it shall be swept off daily, with particular attention given when rain events are forecasted.
20. All roads utilized must be returned to original condition or better.
21. Berms created from equipment movements that are greater than 12" in height of soil (not litter/duff) must be dispersed or brushed over to even out the surface.
22. Fences within the project area that must be removed for equipment access, and will be replaced upon conclusion of operations by the Contractor to the pretreatment condition.
23. Post "WARNING" signs 500 feet on either side of the operational area along main access roads. Example of wording: "WARNING-EQUIPMENT WORKING-STAY BACK 300 FEET".
24. Signs shall be no less than 3 feet X 3 feet in size. Lettering shall be at least 6 inches in height.
25. Prior to operations, the Contractor shall provide Plumas Corporation with a list of any/all subcontractors to be hired.

26. Driveable waterbars allowing for passage by standard 2 wheel drive vehicle shall be placed along the appurtenant roads within the treatment units at an average spacing of 200 feet.

## **Fire Protections:**

Fire suppression equipment, as required by CAL FIRE (PRC 4428), shall be on site if operations occur during fire season. Said requirements are as follows:

- a. On any such operation, a sealed box of tools shall be located, within the operating area, at a point accessible in the event of a fire. This fire toolbox shall contain one backpack pump-type fire extinguisher filled with water, two axes, two McLeod fire tools, and a sufficient number of shovels so that each employee at the operation can be equipped to fight a fire.
- b. One or more serviceable chainsaws of three and one-half or more horsepower with a cutting bar 20 inches in length or longer shall be immediately available within the operating area, or, in the alternative, a full set of timber-felling tools shall be located in the fire toolbox, including one crosscut felling saw six feet in length, one double-bit ax with a 36-inch handle, one sledge hammer or maul with a head weight of six, or more, pounds and a handle length of 32 inches, or more, and not less than two falling wedges.

In addition to the CAL FIRE requirements, a tank truck or trailer, or 30 gallon or larger CAFS system will be onsite.

The tank truck or trailer must meet the following requirements:

- Contain at least 300 gallons of water.
- 300 feet of 3/4-inch inside diameter rubber-covered high-pressure hose mounted on live reel attached to pump with no segments longer than approximately 50 feet, when measured to the extreme ends of the couplings.
- Shall be capable of applying a minimum of 40 pounds pressure at the nozzle on 300 feet of hose.
- Shall be capable of being transported throughout the unit.

If a CAFS system is used, it must meet the following requirements:

- Variable foam expansion ratio – 10:1 to 20:1.
- Units shall be kept fully charged with air/water and foam concentrate as recommended by the manufacturer and have the appropriate tools to service the system.
- The unit shall contain enough energy to empty tank and clear hose prior to exhausting propellant.
- The unit shall be capable of being completely recharged within 10 minutes.

Inspections of fire equipment will occur periodically during the project by the following: Project RPF, Project RPF Designee, or the PCFSC HFR Project Manager. Lack of compliance with fire requirements will result in immediate suspension of operations.

Equipment shall not operate between the hours of 1:00 pm and 8:00 pm on days designated as "Red Flag Warning" by the national weather service: <https://www.wrh.noaa.gov/fire2/?wfo=rev>  
This forecast shall be consulted each evening of the next day's forecast.

## **Insurance Requirements:**

Prior to rendering services, the Contractor and his/her subcontractors shall acquire, and maintain during the term of this Agreement, at Contractor's sole expense:

1. Workers' Compensation Insurance conforming to the statutory requirements of the state in which operations under this agreement are performed.
2. Comprehensive general and automobile bodily injury liability insurance written on an "occurrence" basis subject to minimum limits of \$1,000,000.00 each person and \$1,000,000.00 each occurrence.
3. General property damage insurance subject to a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 with not more than a \$10,000.00 deductible each loss.
4. **For Licensed Timber Operators (Class A):** Loggers' Broad Form property damage insurance of \$1,000,000.00 per occurrence. All liability insurance coverage shall provide that subcontractors working for Contractor are covered under the terms of Contractor's policies.

The Contractor shall name Plumas Corporation, the Plumas County Fire Safe Council, and the landowners as an Additional Named Insured and provide PC a Certificate of Insurance showing evidence of insurance coverage as specified herein prior to commencement of Contractor's operations.

All insurance shall meet the approval of Plumas Corporation, and all policies evidencing said insurance shall provide for thirty days' prior written notice to PC before cancellation or material change in the policy.

### **Contract Term:**

Operations shall begin by agreement upon contract execution. **Completion of all operations will be accomplished no later than June 30, 2028.** At that time, if work is not complete, Plumas Corporation reserves the right to either extend the contract or to reevaluate the contract and pursue other contractors.

### **Submission, Evaluation, and Contacts:**

#### **Bidding Requirements:**

1. Attend Mandatory Pre-Bid Field Tour Wednesday May 27, 2026
2. California Licensed Timber Operator License, Type A in good standing is required to bid on the Commercial Acres (Bid Item #1 & #2)
3. CSLB C-49 Contractor's License is required to bid on the Non-Commercial Acres (Bid Item #3)
4. Provide business address and tax ID
5. Cost shall be on a per acre basis. Fill out and sign the bid template to provide a price per treated acre for the unit listed. For Bid Item #1, the selected Licensed Timber Operator will retain 100% of proceeds from all forest products sold (sawlogs and chips). Bid prices should account for this revenue offset when submitting proposals.
6. Outline start date, crew size, projected pace (acres per day completed) and expected completion date.
7. All subcontractors must be identified by bidders in their proposal.
8. The successful bidder shall provide a strong, detailed technical approach of how they shall conduct operations, type of equipment that will be used, and a timeline for operations to be strictly adhered to.
9. Bidders must demonstrate experience implementing community-level hazardous fuels reduction projects within the Wildland-Urban Interface (WUI), particularly projects with high public visibility. **Demonstrated experience should directly reflect the scope and methods of the bid**

**item(s) for which the bidder is submitting.** For example, bidders submitting on commercial thinning operations should provide references from comparable timber harvest or fuels thinning projects; bidders submitting on grapple piling should provide references from comparable pile construction or slash abatement projects. Experience should align with the detailed technical proposal submitted. Provide at least three relevant references with contact information.

10. All bidders awarded any of the bid items must certify, in writing, that all employees working on the “Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project: Phase 2” have been “E-Verified” to legally work in the United States. Please refer to the website <http://www.uscis.gov/portal/site/uscis>

### **Contractor Selection Process:**

This is an invitation to bid only and does not constitute an offer from Plumas Corporation or commit Plumas Corporation to pay any costs incurred in proposal preparation or submission. Submitted bids will be reviewed by the Project Forester from Feather River Forestry, LLC, in collaboration with Plumas County Fire Safe Council and Plumas Corporation representatives, using the Evaluation Factors specified below. Upon completion of the bid evaluation and selection process, Plumas Corporation will notify all bidders of the results and will prepare a separate contract document with the selected contractor.

Plumas Corporation and the Plumas County Fire Safe Council reserve the right to reject any proposal and to select and negotiate all work based solely on their judgment, in collaboration with the Project Forester, regarding the suitability of respondents to perform the described work. Interviews may be conducted at the discretion of the Plumas County Fire Safe Council and Plumas Corporation.

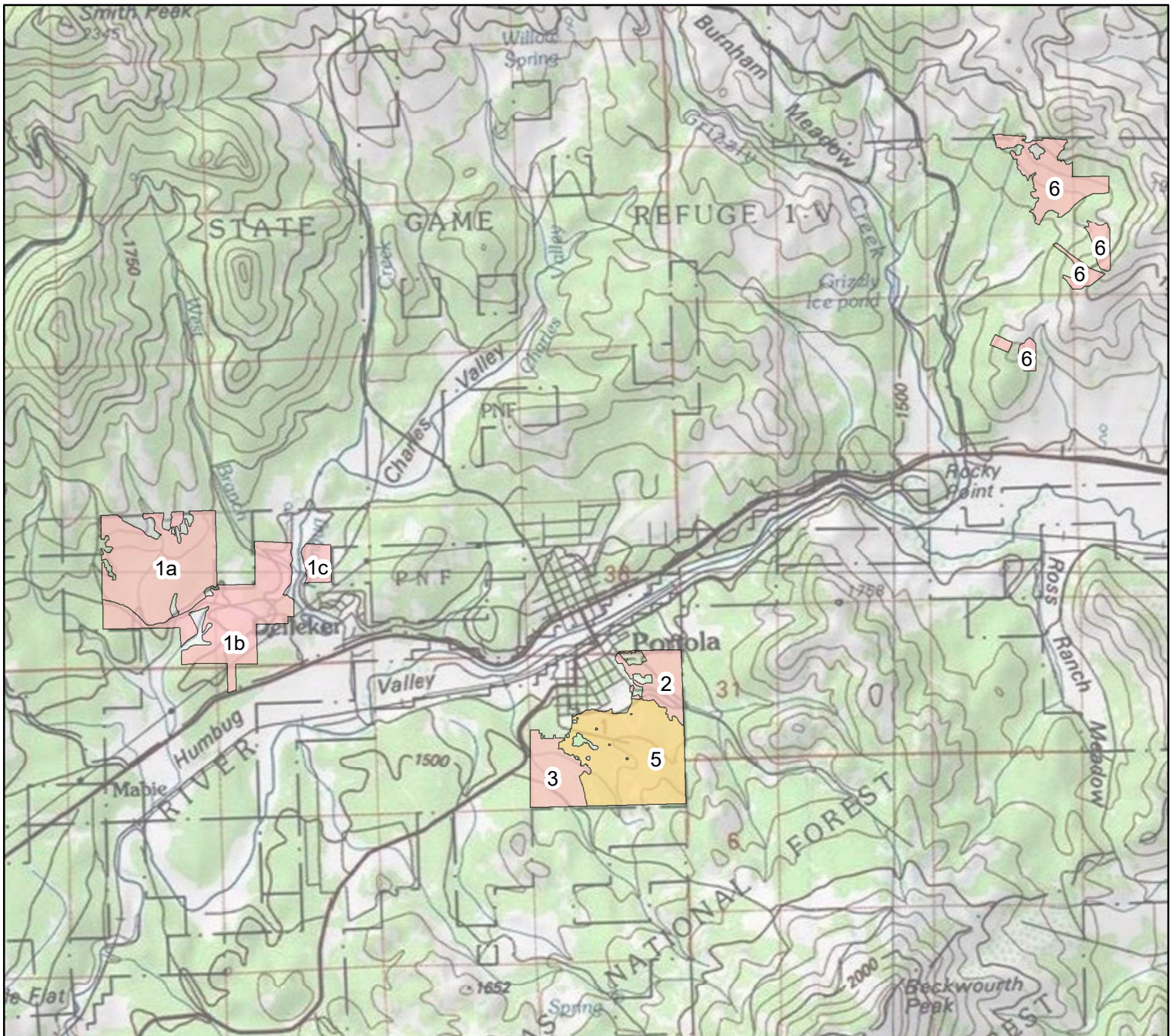
### **Evaluation Factors and Relative Importance:**

The following criteria will be used in the evaluation of submitted proposals, ordered from highest weighting (level 3) to lowest weighting (level 1).

Level 3 Criteria	Level 2 Criteria	Level 1 Criteria
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Price/cost</li> <li>● Equipment and contractor capability</li> <li>● Technical proposal/proposed approach to Project</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Timing of when contractor can begin and/or finish the project</li> <li>● Past performance and references</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>● Benefits to the local community</li> </ul>

**Please keep proposals to no more than 3 pages (excluding references and bid template)**

1. Bids are due no later than: **Friday June 5, 2026 at 23:59 PDT**
2. Bids can be sent by using any of the following methods:
  1. **Email**: bids@plumasfiresafe.org with subject line of “Eastern Plumas Phase 2”
  2. **Post**: Plumas Corporation, PO Box 3380, Quincy, CA 96971 RE: “Eastern Plumas Phase 2”
  3. **Fax**: Plumas Corporation with subject line of “Eastern Plumas Phase 2” at (530) 283-5465



## Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project - Phase 2, OVERVIEW

### Treatment Unit

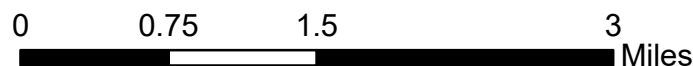
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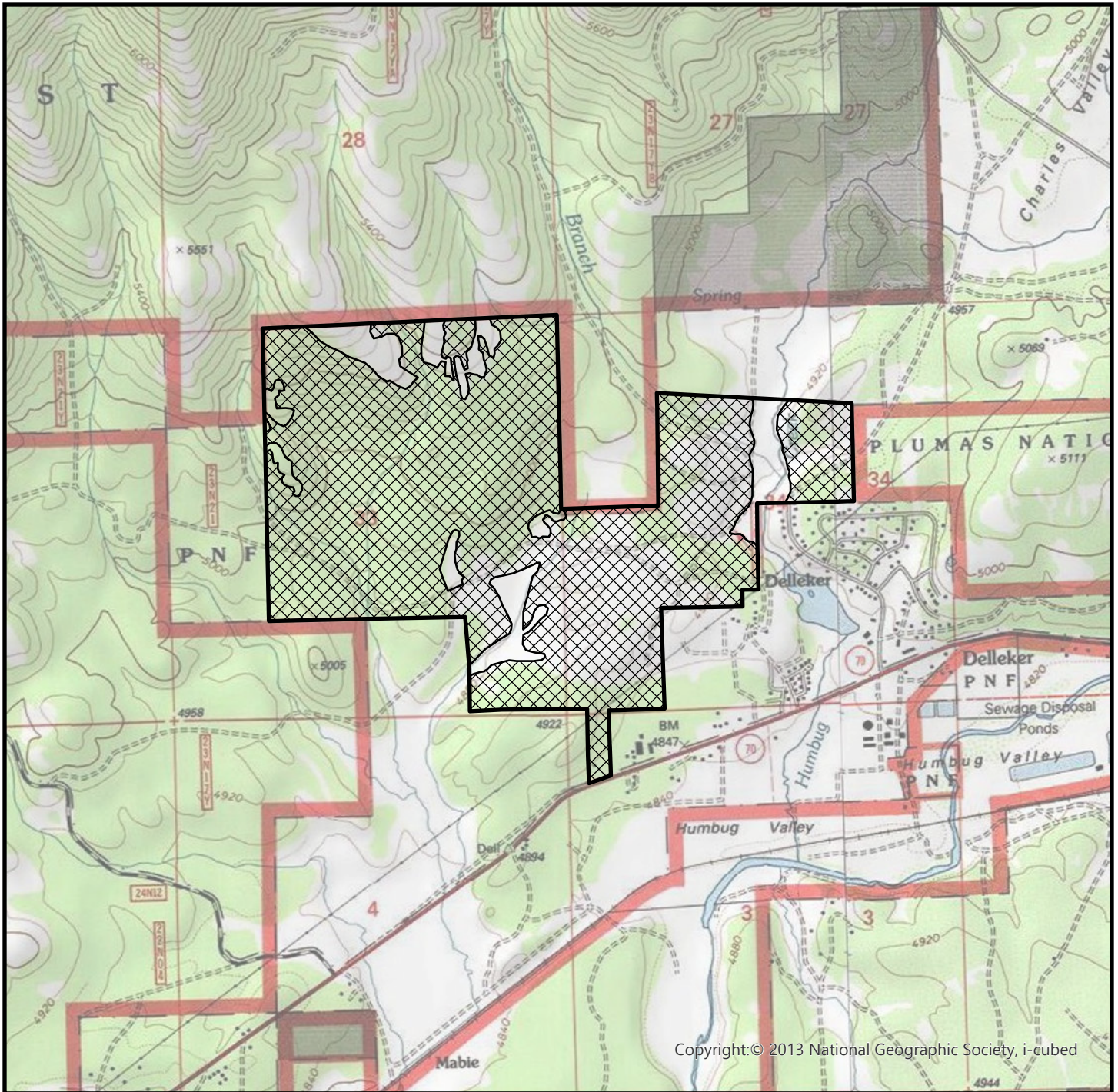
- Commercial Thin
- Grapple Pile

Eastern Plumas Phase 2 Acreage Summary		
Unit No	Treatment	Acres
1a	Commercial Thin	275.8
1b	Commercial Thin	252.8
1c	Commercial Thin	29.0
2	Commercial Thin	73.9
3	Commercial Thin	94.6
5	Grapple Pile	281.1
<b>Subtotal</b>		<b>1007.2</b>
Optional Acres		
6	Commercial Thin	171.6





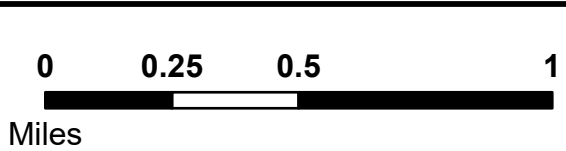
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**Eastern Plumas Wolf Meadows Forest Resilience Exemption  
Bid Overview Map  
T23N, R13E, S33,34, MDBM; T22N, R13E, S3, MDBM  
Blairsdan & Portola 7.5' Quad Contour Interval = 40'**

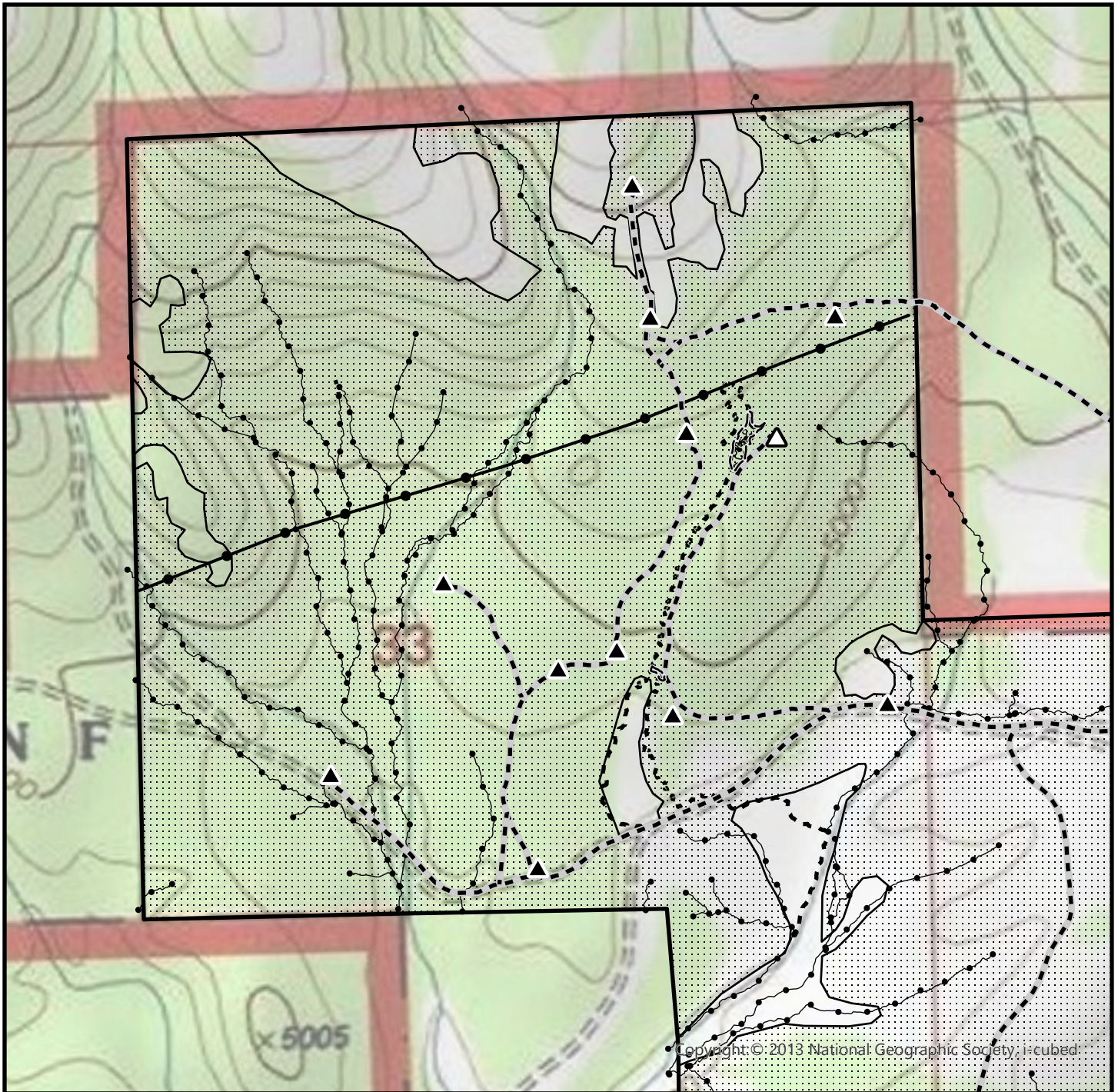
-  Ownership Boundary
-  Exemption Area



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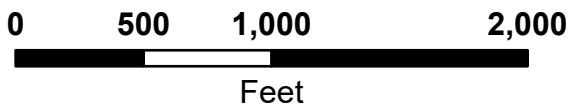
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**Bid Detail Map 1 of 2**

**T23N, R13E, S33,34, MDBM**

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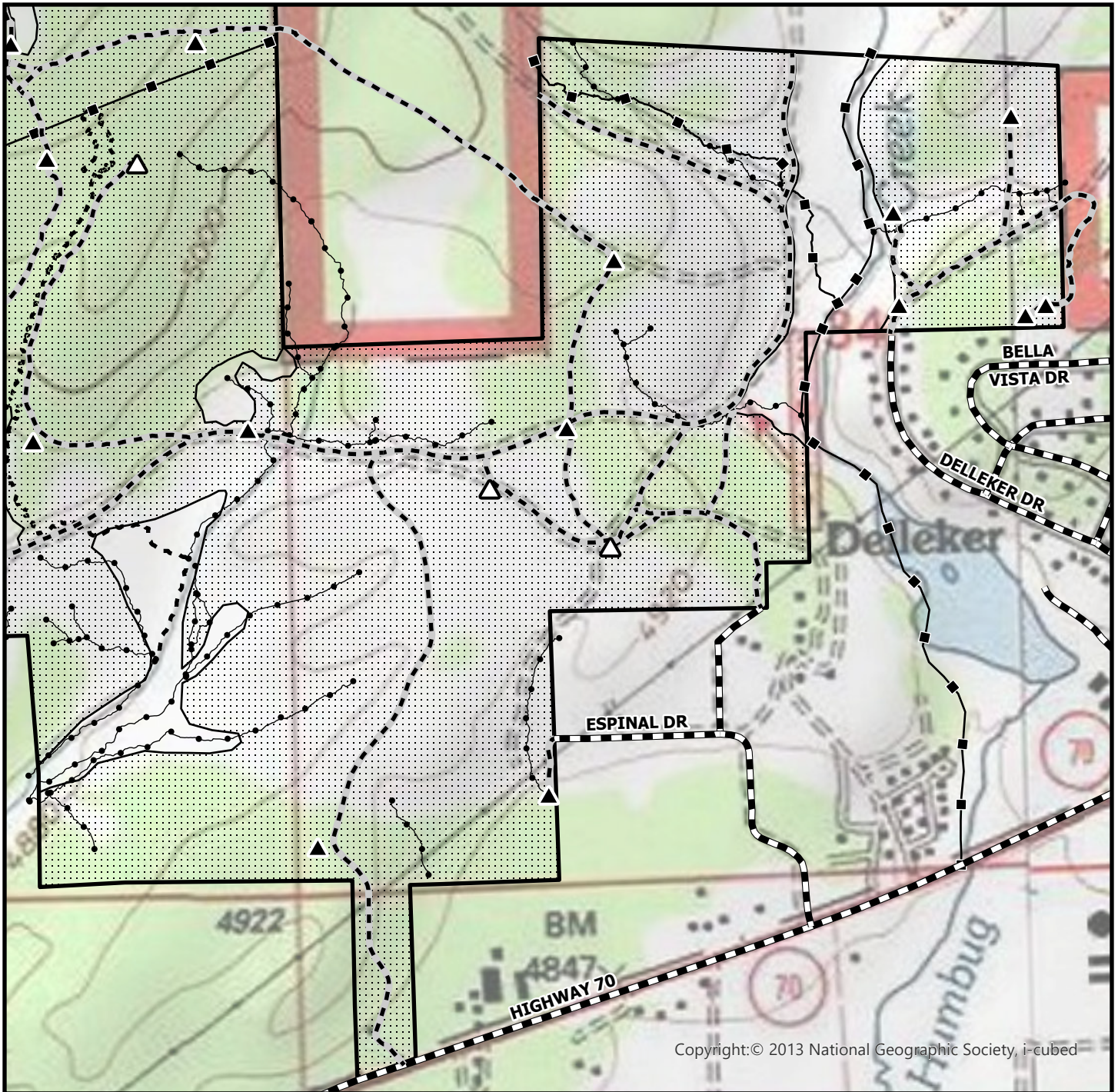
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| Ownership Boundary | Class 1 Water Pipeline | Road, Private Seasonal |
| Exemption Area     | Class 2 Watercourse    | Landing, Existing      |
| Class 2 Wet Area   | Class 3 Watercourse    | Landing, Construction  |



1 in = 750 ft  
**1:9,000**



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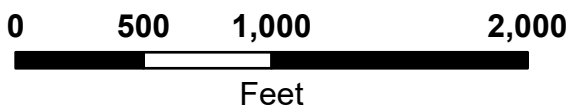
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**Bid Detail Map 2 of 2**

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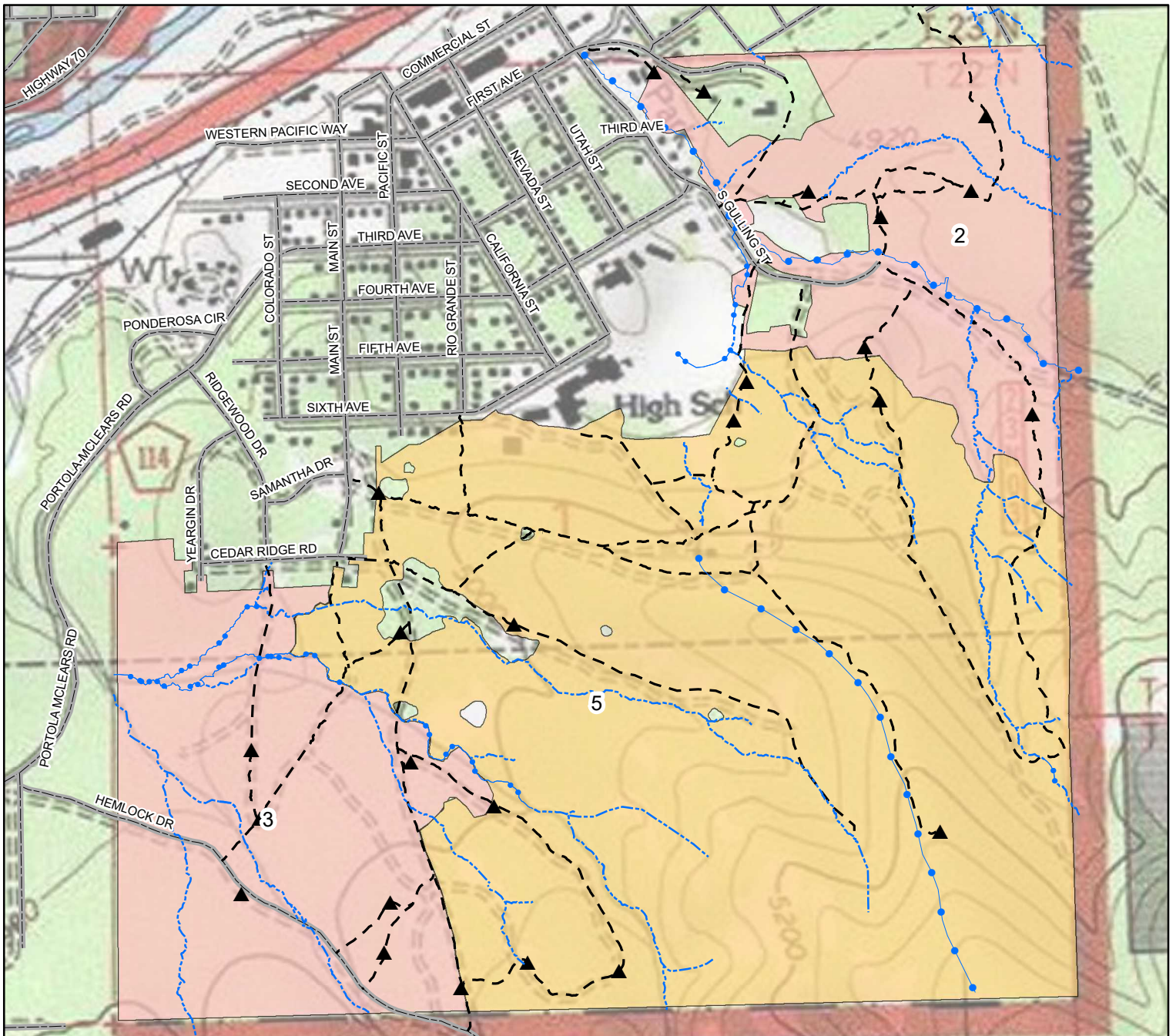
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|------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Ownership Boundary     | Road, Private Seasonal | Class 1 Water Pipeline |
| Exemption Area         | Landing, Existing      | Class 1 Watercourse    |
| Road, Public Permanent | Landing, Construction  | Class 2 Watercourse    |
|                        |                        | Class 3 Watercourse    |



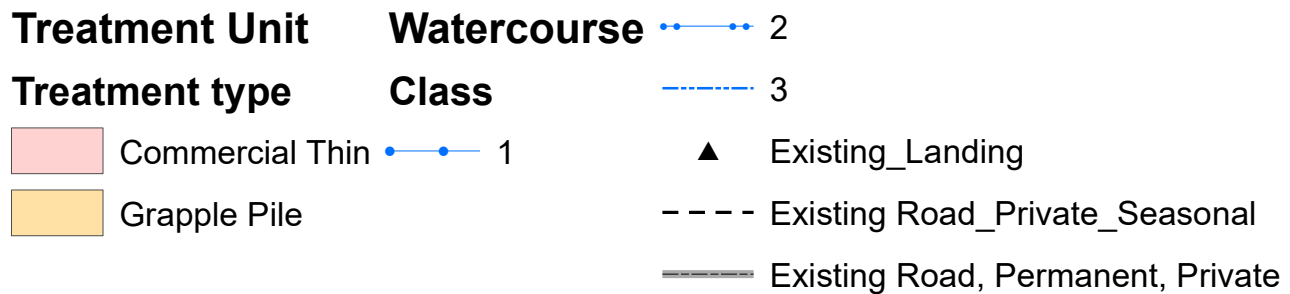
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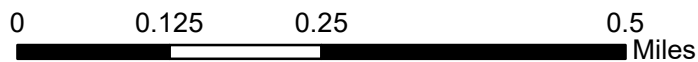
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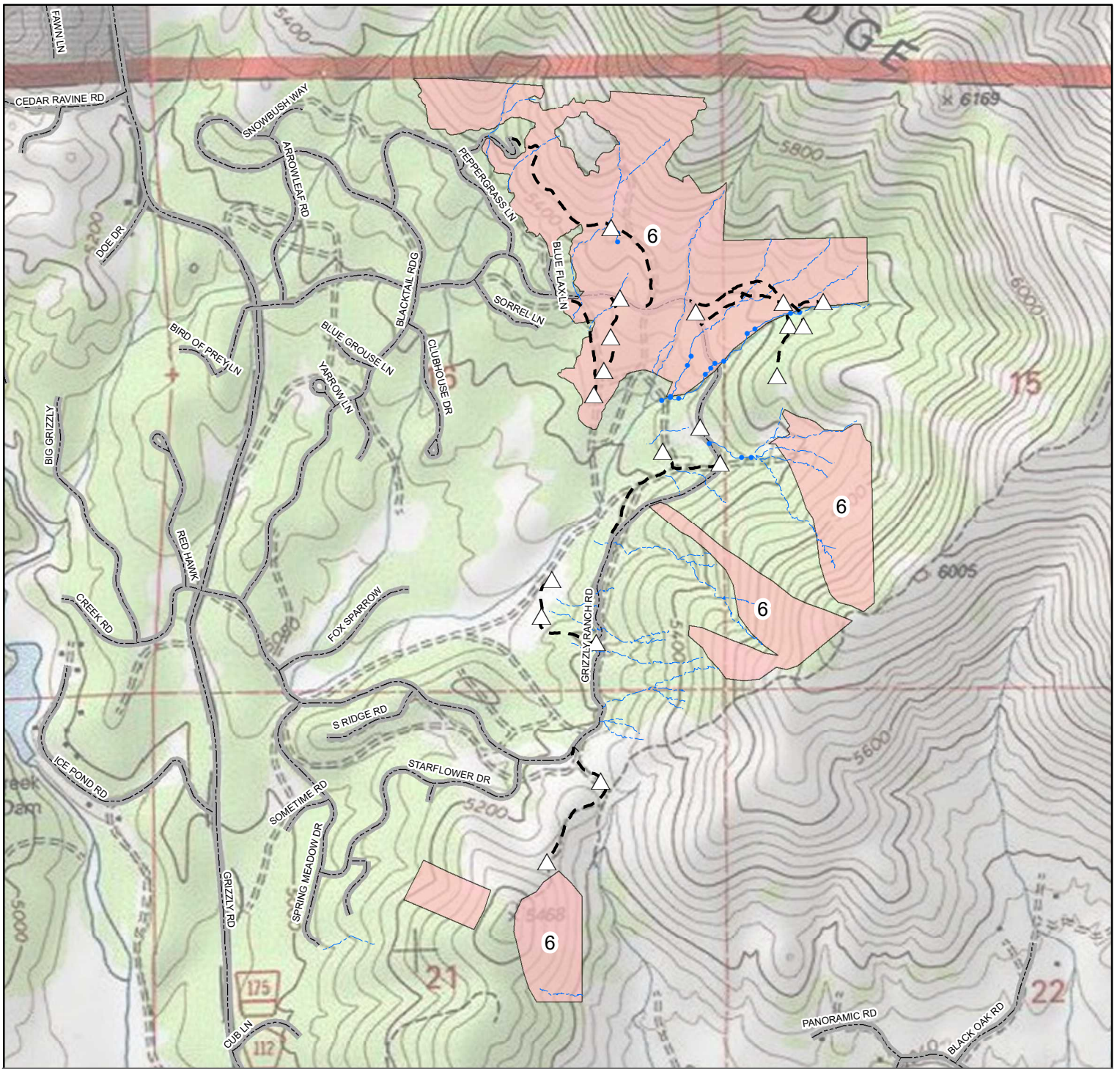


### Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project - Phase 2, South Portola





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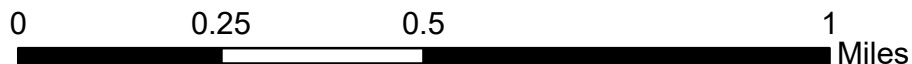




## Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project - Upper & Lower Grizzly

- |   |                               |                                     |
|---|-------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Treatment Unit</b>   | ●—● Class 2                   | --- Road_Private_Seasonal           |
| <b>Treatment type</b>   | ●—● Class 2 Spring With Water | — Existing Road, Permanent, Private |
|  Commercial Thin | --- Class 3                   |                                     |
|  Grapple Pile    | --- Class 3                   |                                     |
| <b>Watercourse Class</b>  | △ Existing_Landing_Grizzly    |                                     |

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## Eastern Plumas Wildfire Protection Project - Phase 2 Bid Template

Plumas County Fire Safe Council		Solicitation Date: May 06, 2026	
		Bid Due Date: June 05, 2026 23:59 PDT	
Contractor:		Contracting Agency: Plumas Corporation P.O. Box 3880 Quincy, CA 95971	
Contractor/ Agent Name:	Date:	Contracting Officer: Gia Martynn	
Contractor Signature:		Contracting Officer Signature:	

Unit	Activity	DBH	Acres	Price Per Acre	Total
<b>BID ITEM #1</b>					
<b>Wolf Meadows Ranch</b>					
1a	Commercial Thin	<30"	275.8	Price Per Acre	\$
1b	Commercial Thin	<30"	252.8	Price Per Acre	\$
1c	Commercial Thin	<30"	29	Price Per Acre	\$
			<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>557.6</b>	<b>Total</b>
					\$

<b>South Portola</b>					
2	Commercial Thin	<30"	73.9	Price Per Acre	\$
3	Commercial Thin	<30"	94.6	Price Per Acre	\$
			<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>168.5</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
					\$

<b>*BID ITEM #2*</b>					
<b>*Optional Bid Item: Upper/Lower Grizzly*</b>					
6	Commercial Thin	<30"	171.6	Price Per Acre	\$
			<b>Total</b>	<b>171.6</b>	<b>Total</b>
					\$

<b>BID ITEM #3</b>					
<b>South Portola</b>					
5	Grapple Pile	<12"	281.1	Price Per Acre	\$
			<b>Total Acres</b>	<b>281.1</b>	<b>Total Cost</b>
					\$