

SGL 087
Habitat Mowing Project
02-11-2020

GENERAL SPECIFICATIONS

I. SCOPE OF WORK:

- A. The Pennsylvania Game Commission, Northcentral Region, requires machine mowing of autumn olive, black locust, conifers, and other woody interference in formerly reclaimed surface-mined openings. Services shall include, but not be limited to, the furnishing of all labor, superintendence, tools and equipment for the mowing of woody interference on approximately 149 acres of SGL 87 at 5 locations in Bell and Penn Townships, Clearfield County. **An additional 190 acres may potentially be added after the completion of the 149 acres described here.** Detailed specifications are attached in the bid packet. ***All Purchase Orders require the contractor to provide the equipment, labor, insurance, and all miscellaneous expenses to complete the operation.***

Any questions concerning the technical aspects of this bid should be directed to:

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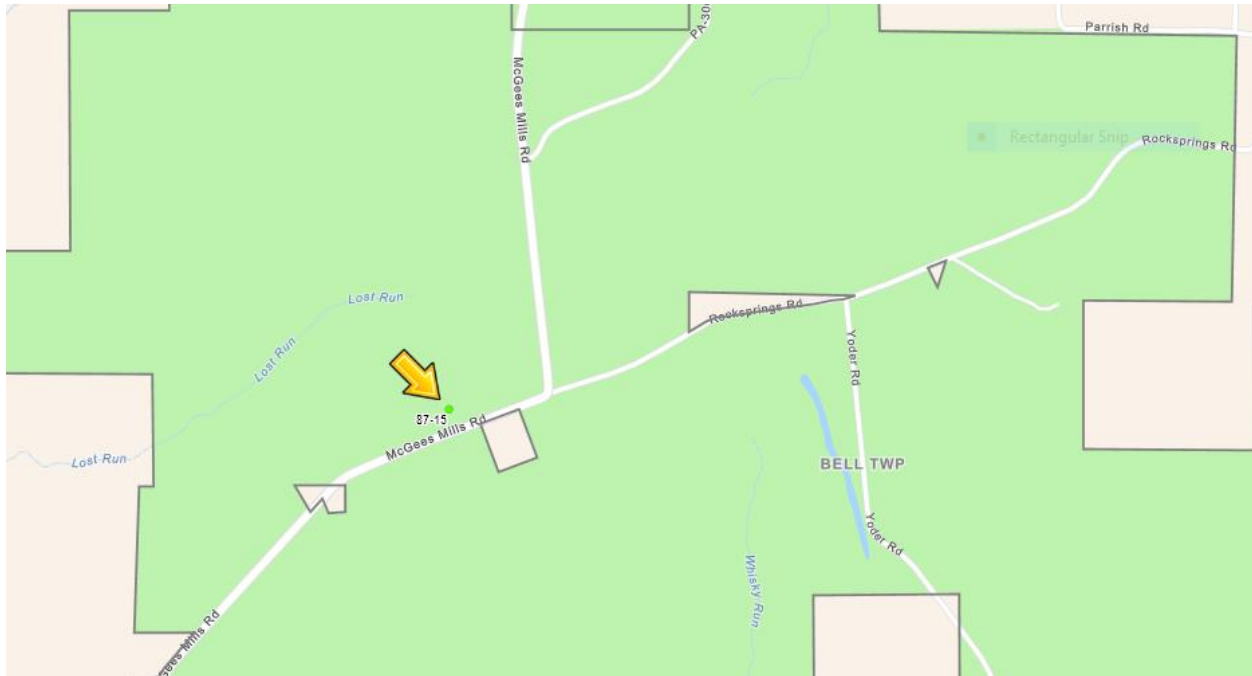
II. CONTRACT TASKS:

A. Project Locations:

- a. State Game Land 87, Bell Twp., Clearfield County. Two separate locations south of Rock Springs Road (approx. 18 ac. combined), one location east of Yoder Road (approximately 33 ac.), and one location north of Frantz Hollow Road (approx. 90 ac).
- b. State Game Land 87, Penn Twp., Clearfield County. One location south of Ridge Road, (approx. 8 acres).
- c. Maps of the locations are included in the bid packet.

B. SITE INSPECTION AND ASSISTANCE:

The PGC will conduct a one-time-only guided tour of the work sites for prospective bidders on **February 24, 2020 beginning at 10:00 AM.** The tour will involve a review of the sites. **We will meet at a location on the north side of SR3009 (1199 McGees Mills Road, Mahaffey), at game lands gate #87-15, GPS coordinates 40°56'48.1"N 78°46'05.8"W or 40.946684, -78.768279.** See Map below.



Meeting Location

Contractors are permitted to visit the project sites on any date on their own time to further inspect the sites.

C. OPERATOR QUALIFICATIONS:

To bid on this project, an Operator must have the equipment, maintenance facilities, tools, spare parts, fuel, employees, and qualified equipment operators and mechanics, to operate and maintain the type of equipment indicated in these specifications to complete the project within the time frame specified.

I. EQUIPMENT SPECIFICATIONS:

- a. Any machine equipment to be used for this project must be a forestry type mowing machine with suitable cutting devices such as a “hydroax”, “Fecon”, or other suitable cutting head mounted on a machine capable of negotiating forest terrain. All machines used for this project must be of at least 95hp. The Commission reserves the right to reject any piece of equipment that in its opinion will not safely and adequately complete the job.
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III. CONTRACT REQUIREMENTS:

- A. All work can be started immediately after bid award notification and contract signing. Work must be completed by the termination date: **June 30, 2020. No contract extensions will be approved. The Commission will provide an option to renew for Fiscal Year 2020 starting July 1, 2020.**

B. CONTRACT SPECIFICATIONS:

- All autumn olive, honeysuckle, black locust, pines, and all woody stems up to 8 inches are to be mowed. Some patches of spruces or other desirable stems may be reserved on specific sites as indicated by the Commission.
- Woody material felled must have stumps that are parallel to the ground surface and shall not exceed six (6) inches in height measured on the side next to the highest ground or the diameter of the stump, whichever is smaller, except when in the opinion of the Commission representative said height is impractical.
- Cut trees must be removed from roads, tail drains, streams, and utility rights-of-way.
- The Operator shall exercise care and caution around natural gas facilities within the project sites and coordinate activities with the natural gas company.
- The Operator shall exercise care and caution in all operations to prevent damage to all trees not specified for treatment.
- Damage to trails, roads, streams, or utility rights-of-way caused by the Operator's equipment must be repaired by the Operator at their expense.
- Any trash resulting from the Operator's operations must be removed from the area on a daily basis and properly disposed.
- The Operator shall not block any roads or trails in the area during the performance of this contract. The Operator shall not in any way hinder the progress of any other legitimate use of the game lands.
- All labor, equipment, tools, etc., needed to complete contracted projects are to be provided by the Operator.

C. The contractor agrees to comply with all attachments.

D. As a further guarantee of faithful performance of the conditions set forth in this Contract, the Successful bidder hereby agrees to furnish the Commission with Cashiers or Treasurers Check, Letter of Credit, or Insurance Bond payable to the Pennsylvania Game Commission, in the amount of **\$1,000.00**.

E. Failure to comply with any of the terms or conditions of the Contract will result in cancellation of the agreement.

IV. INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS:

A. The contractor will provide Workmen's Compensation insurance sufficient to cover all of the employees of contractor working to fulfill this contract.

B. Comprehensive General Liability Insurance, including bodily injury and property damage insurance, to protect the Commonwealth, and the contractor from claims arising out of the performance of the contract. The amount of Bodily Injury Insurance shall not be less than \$300,000.00 for injury to or death of persons per occurrence. The amount of Property Damage Insurance shall not be less than \$300,000.00 per occurrence.

Such policies shall name the Commonwealth as an additional insured. Prior to the commencement of work under this contract, the contractor must provide the Commonwealth with current Certificates of Insurance. These Certificates shall contain a provision that coverage afforded under the policy shall not be canceled or changed until at least thirty (30) days prior written notice has been given to the Commonwealth.

V. HOLD HARMLESS:

The contractor shall be responsible for and agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the Commonwealth from and against damages to property or injuries (including death) to any persons and other losses, damages, expenses, claims, demands, suits, and actions by any party against the Commonwealth in connection with the work performed by the contractor.

VI. DAMAGE TO PROPERTY:

The Contractor shall be responsible for any damage to Commonwealth property resulting from the improper use of equipment for this project. The Contractor will be given one (1) written warning that damage is becoming excessive and if the action continues damages will be assessed.

PROPERTY INFRASTRUCTURE - Contractor shall immediately repair, in a manner that meets with the approval of the Commission representative, any damage to administrative roads and other facilities, including access roads, resulting from their use for this operation, general wear and tear is accepted. A Commission representative may notify the Contractor verbally or in writing to temporarily discontinue use of any of the above whenever, in their opinion, such action is necessary to prevent serious damage.

VII. BID AWARD:

RECEIVING AND OPENING BIDS - This bid should include the unit price per acre. **The bid will be awarded on per acre price based on an estimated 149 acres for the entire project.** Bids must be submitted via the PA Supplier Portal, to be found at www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us Faxed bids and mailed bids will NOT be accepted.

Bids will be publicly opened on **March 10, 2020 at 2:00 PM**, at the Pennsylvania Game Commission, 2001 Elmerton Ave., Harrisburg, PA 17110-9797.

The ***per acre price*** shall include the cost of equipment, labor, insurance, and all miscellaneous expenses necessary for the completion of the tasks. Prices bid shall be in dollar and cents only.

The acreage quantities herein are only estimates and may increase or decrease dependent upon the needs of the Commission. Operator shall be paid at the unit price bid for actual services performed. The operator may submit an invoice for each site as work is completed and approved by the Commission representative.

The Commission reserves the right to reject any and all bids and to choose the bid that, in its sole opinion, best meets the needs of this project.

ALL VENDORS WHO CONDUCT BUSINESS WITH THE PENNSYLVANIA GAME COMMISSION MUST HAVE A VENDOR NUMBER ASSIGNED TO THEM IN ORDER TO RECEIVE PAYMENT FROM THE COMMONWEALTH.

Vendors may access the website www.pasupplierportal.state.pa.us or phone (877) 435-7363 or (717) 346-2676 or email ra-srmhelp@state.pa.us for assistance to register as a new vendor or, if you are an existing vendor, to change a main or remit to address. This is a Dept of General services (DGS) website so you need to contact them directly if you have any problems with the website.

VIII CONTRACT TERM:

The contract term shall commence upon contractor's receipt of the approved Purchase Order(s), receipt of performance bond, and proof of insurance. This also includes a notice to proceed and terminate **June 30, 2020**.

1) OPERATIONS AND NON-WORK DAYS

There are no specific non-work dates or times for this project.

The contractor, employees, and sub-contractors may not hunt to, from, or at the job site when the work location is beyond a point in a road that is closed to public traffic. The contractor may travel to and from the work location during the non-work time for the machinery to check on the condition of equipment, perform equipment maintenance, or to inspect the work sites.

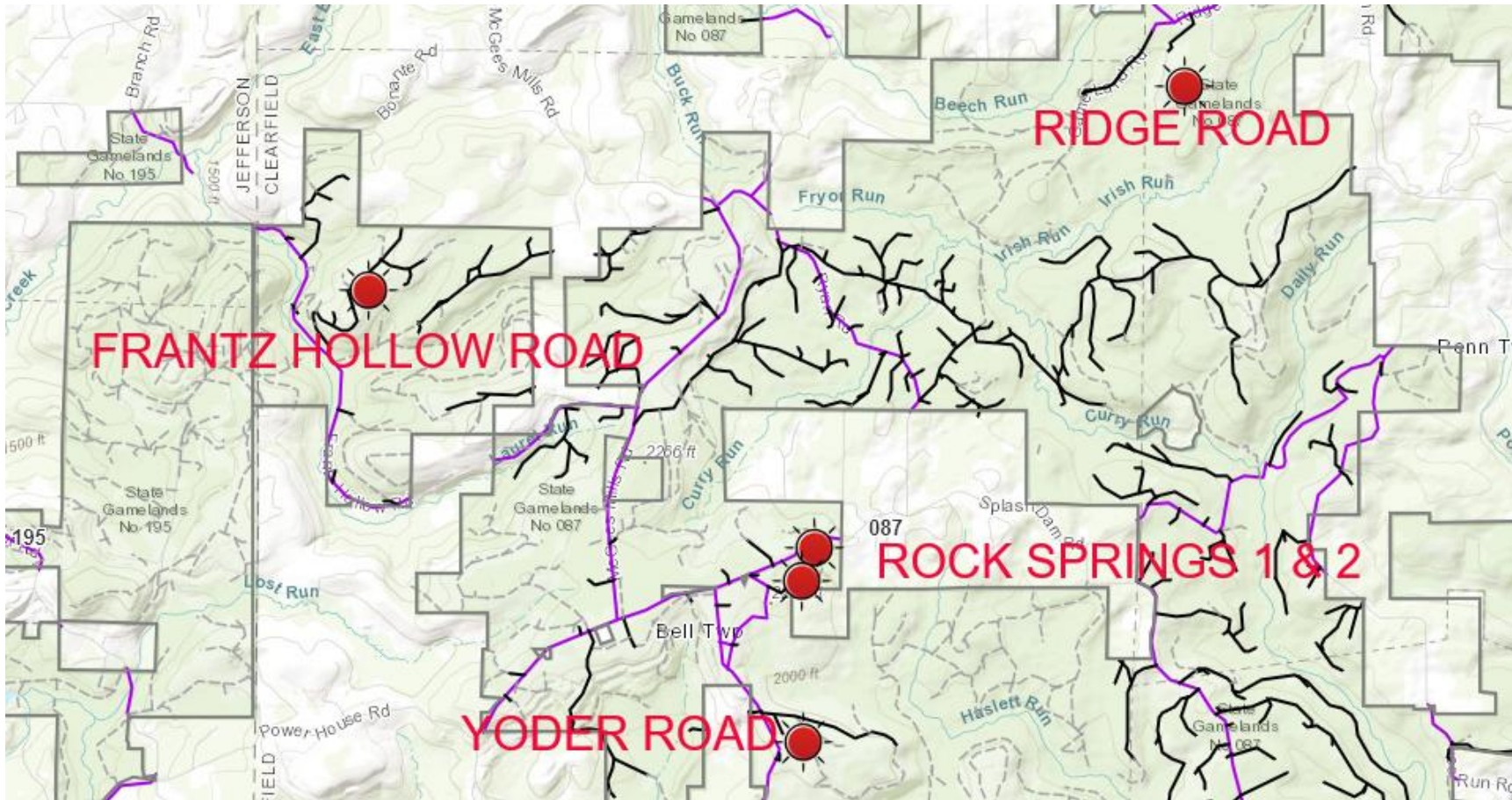
IX. PAYMENT TERMS:

Payment shall be on a reimbursement basis for actual services performed. **Payment will be made on the lump sum basis as determined by the Commission's estimated acres treated as listed in this document.** Only work successfully completed to the specifications will be paid for by the agency.

ATTACHMENT #1 - SGL 87 HABITAT MOWING UNITS

			Machine Mowing	Acceptable Treatment Period	notes / comments
Region	Property	Site Name	Estimated Acres		
NC	SGL 87	YODER ROAD	33	Contract Signing - June 30, 2020	Autumn olive, mixed seedling/sapling hardwoods (maple, aspen, locust).
NC	SGL 87	ROCK SPRINGS 1	8	Contract Signing - June 30, 2020	Primarily autumn olive, some pines less than 5" dbh and scattered. Mow all unless over 8" dbh.
NC	SGL 87	ROCK SPRINGS 2	10	Contract Signing - June 30, 2020	Primarily autumn olive with spruce intermixed. Upper half mow completely, lower half will reserve some spruce in clumps/rows.
NC	SGL 87	FRANTZ HOLLOW RD	90	Contract Signing - June 30, 2020	Autumn olive, black locust, conifers. Some spruce in clumps will be reserved, all pines to be mowed unless over 8" dbh.
NC	SGL 87	RIDGE ROAD	8	Contract Signing - June 30, 2020	Primarily autumn olive.
NC	SGL 87	TOTAL	149		

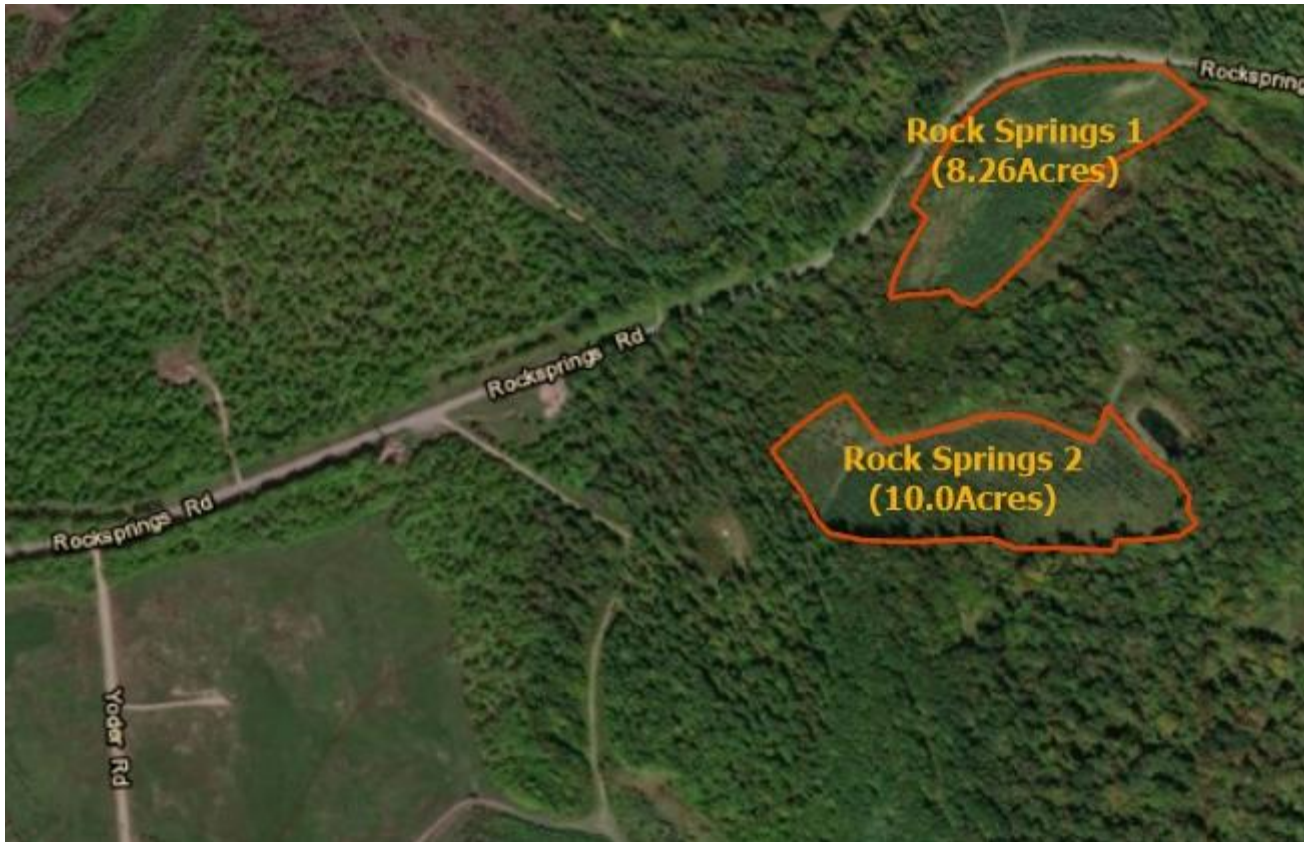
ATTACHMENT 2 – SGL 87 MOWING SITES LOCATION OVERVIEW



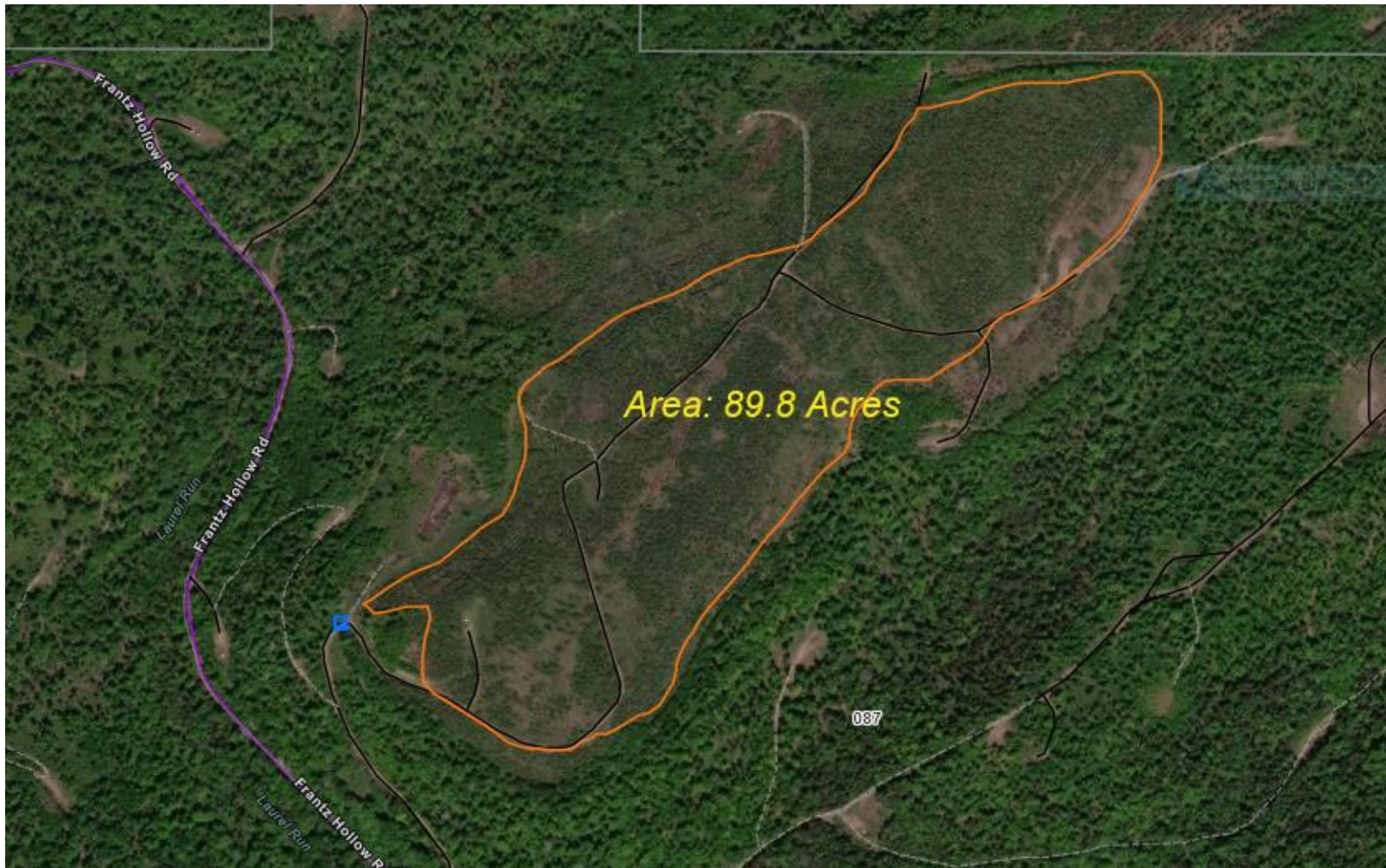
ATTACHMENT 3 - INDIVIDUAL SITES



YODER ROAD



ROCK SPRINGS 1 & 2



FRANTZ HOLLOW ROAD



RIDGE ROAD