

Butte County Fire Safe Council
Request for Proposal
Butte and Yuba County Herbicide Project
23-CS-11051100-024

02/24/2026

INTRODUCTION

The Butte County Fire Safe Council (BCFSC) is seeking a contractor to provide herbicide services for the USFS Herbicide Project in the counties of Butte and Yuba. The successful contractor will be required to enter into contract with BCFSC for the services requested in this Request for Proposals (RFP) after award. A contractor submitting a proposal must be prepared to use the BCFSC’s standard contract form rather than their own contract form.

OBJECTIVE AND OVERVIEW – DESCRIPTION OF WORK

Contractors will work on the USFS Contract Herbicide Project. Work is anticipated to begin in March of 2026 and continue until December of 2026 or until all units are treated. The project is funded by a grant from a Challenge Cost Share Agreement and is designed to reduce wildfire risk, reduce invasive species competition, improve forest health, increase ability for prescribed fire, and assist fire fighters in creating safe areas to fight wildfire in the community of Magalia and beyond. Work will be conducted on National Forest Lands (NFL) with oversight by BCFSC.

PROPOSAL SUBMISSION

Complete the Proposal Submission Form below or submit the equivalent information by e-mail to RFP@buttefiresafe.net

TIMELINE

Event	Date & Time	Location / Details
Self-Guided Contractor Walk Through		See attached map for Forest Service Parcels
Inquiry Submission Deadline	Thursday, March 5th, 2026, by 4:00 PM	Submit inquiries to RFP@buttefiresafe.net
Addendum Response Issuance	Monday, March 9th, 2026, by 4:00 PM	Responses provided via email to all bidders
Bid Submission Deadline	Thursday, March 12th, 2026, by 4:00 PM	Submit bids to BCFSC

The BCFSC will select contractor(s) and award contract within 90 days after the bid submission deadline.

SELECTION PROCESS

- The selection committee may include representatives from the Board of the BCFSC. The criteria for selecting the contractor(s) are reputation, experience, capability, availability of staff, compliance with RPF requirements, proximity, and cost.
- The BCFSC reserves the right to;
 - conduct follow-up interviews with Contractors prior to awarding contracts.
 - reject all bids; to waive any non-material informality in any bid; to determine which bid is the best bid and to make that award which is in the best interest of the BCFSC.
- It is the proposer’s obligation to submit the proposal on time. Any proposal received later will be at the discretion of the evaluation committee regarding acceptance and may be discarded as non-responsive. The evaluation

committee shall deem a late proposal acceptable only if it is in the best interest of the Butte County Fire Safe Council. This shall be the only criterion, and the determination shall be at the discretion of the evaluation committee.

EQUAL OPPURTUNITY PROVIDER

- In accordance with Federal law the BCFSC is prohibited from discriminating on the basis of race, color, national origin, sex, age, religion, political beliefs, or disability.
- The BCFSC encourages the submission of proposals by minority-owned and women-owned business enterprises. The Contractor shall possess the appropriate California license, or a combination of classes required by the categories and types of work included in this contract at the time the contract is awarded.

FORMAT FOR PROPOSALS

Responses to the Request for Proposals must be made according to the requirements set forth in this section, both for content and for sequence. Failure to adhere to these requirements, or inclusion of conditions, limitations or misrepresentations in a response may be cause for rejection of the submittal.

Mandatory Content and Sequence of Submittal:

- Cover Letter** - must include:
 - A maximum of one page. Use 8-1/2" x 11" white paper. Type size must be large enough to be easily legible but should not be smaller than 10 points.
 - Include a statement that the proposal is valid for 60 days after receipt.
 - The name and address of the organization submitting the proposal.
 - The name, address, email, and telephone number of the contact person(s) authorized to make representations for the organization.
 - A list of any subcontractors that you will be utilizing
- Other Documents:**
 - Tax ID** - The contractors' federal tax ID number on a current W9 form
 - Insurance** – current certificates showing a minimum of \$1,000,000.00 (One Million) per policy. Please see sample contract for full requirements:
 - Commercial General Liability
 - Commercial Auto (personal auto if sole proprietor with liability of at least 100K/300K)
 - Worker's Compensation, or waiver if sole proprietor referencing legal guideline to waive this coverage.
 - Licenses** - please include copies of all relevant licenses necessary to complete the Scope of Work outlined in the attached contract sample. Please include expiration dates.
 - Proposal** should be no more than five pages in length and should include the completed Proposal Summary Form below. The proposal must include a detailed description of the approach to complete the project.
 - References** – Names and phone numbers as an attachment.

Proposal to the Butte County Fire Safe Council

PROPOSAL SUMMARY FORM

***Butte and Yuba County Herbicide Project
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Name of Bidder	
Business Address	
Point of Contact	
Email	
Phone Number	
Available Start Date	

Fill out the following section as follows:

Please provide a total bid for herbicide application by unit. Include a total cost for the project based on the project outlined in the map in Exhibit B.

USFS Contract Herbicide Project

- Unit A – 93.8 acres - Target species include; tan oak, deer brush, buck brush, manzanita, broom, and blackberries.
 - o **Subunit 1** – Foliar application to aggressive tan oak resprouts. **Leader train** black oaks and some tan oaks to 18-25’ spacing.
 - o **Subunit 2** – Broadcast application to deer brush, buck brush, and manzanita species. **Leader train** black oaks and tan oaks to 18-25’ spacing.
 - ♣ Cost Per Acre: _____
- Unit B – 30 - Target species; tan oak, deer brush, buck brush, non-native blackberries, and broom
 - o Foliar application to target species
 - ♣ Cost Per Acre: _____
- Unit C- 18.5 acres - Target species include; tan oak
 - o Foliar application and hack and squirt stems between 1-inch and 6-inch diameter
 - ♣ Cost Per Acre: _____
- Unit D- 13.1 acres - Target species include; broom species, deer brush, buck brush
 - o Foliar application to target species
 - ♣ Cost Per Acre: _____
- Unit E – 18.8 - Target species include; American pokeweed, Italian thistle, medusa head, scotch broom, barbed goat grass, black locust, skeleton weed, tree of heaven, and yellow-star thistle.
 - o Broadcast application to target species
 - ♣ Cost Per Acre: _____
- Unit F- 5.5 acres - Target species include; French Broom

o Foliar application to target species

♣ Cost Per Acre: _____

• Unit G- 0.5 acres - Target species include; Himalayan blackberry and French broom.

o Direct application to target species

♣ Cost Per Acre: _____

• Total Cost of Project: _____

• **Equipment and Resources Available (Fellers, yarders etc....)** _____

• **Contractor Capability and Experience (add additional pages as necessary):**

• **Bidder Acknowledgement of the Receipt of Addendum (in the case that one is supplied)**

Name: _____

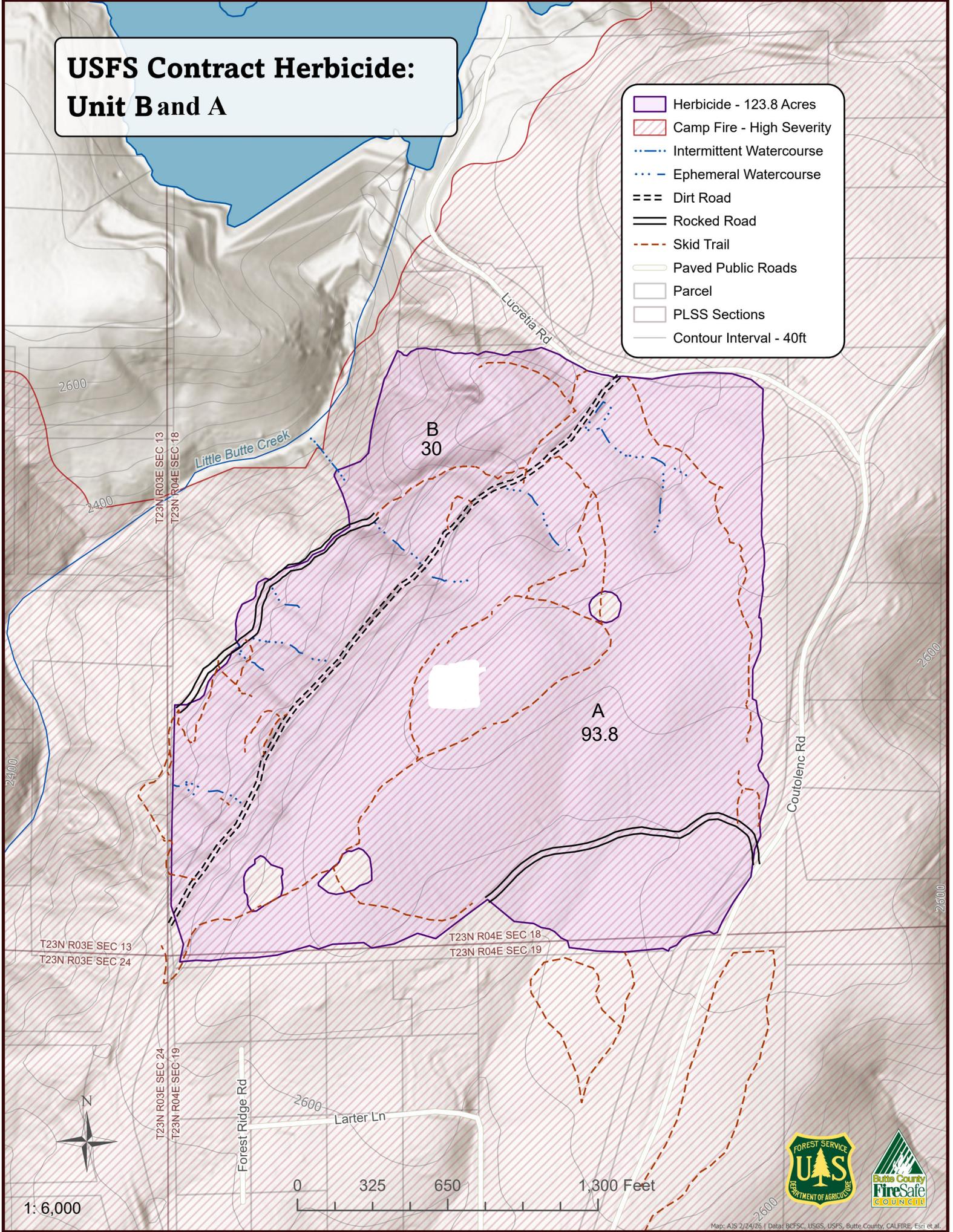
Date: _____

Signature: _____

NOTE: This form must be included in the proposal and completed in its entirety for the Proposal to be evaluated.

USFS Contract Herbicide: Unit B and A

-  Herbicide - 123.8 Acres
-  Camp Fire - High Severity
-  Intermittent Watercourse
-  Ephemeral Watercourse
-  Dirt Road
-  Rocked Road
-  Skid Trail
-  Paved Public Roads
-  Parcel
-  PLSS Sections
-  Contour Interval - 40ft

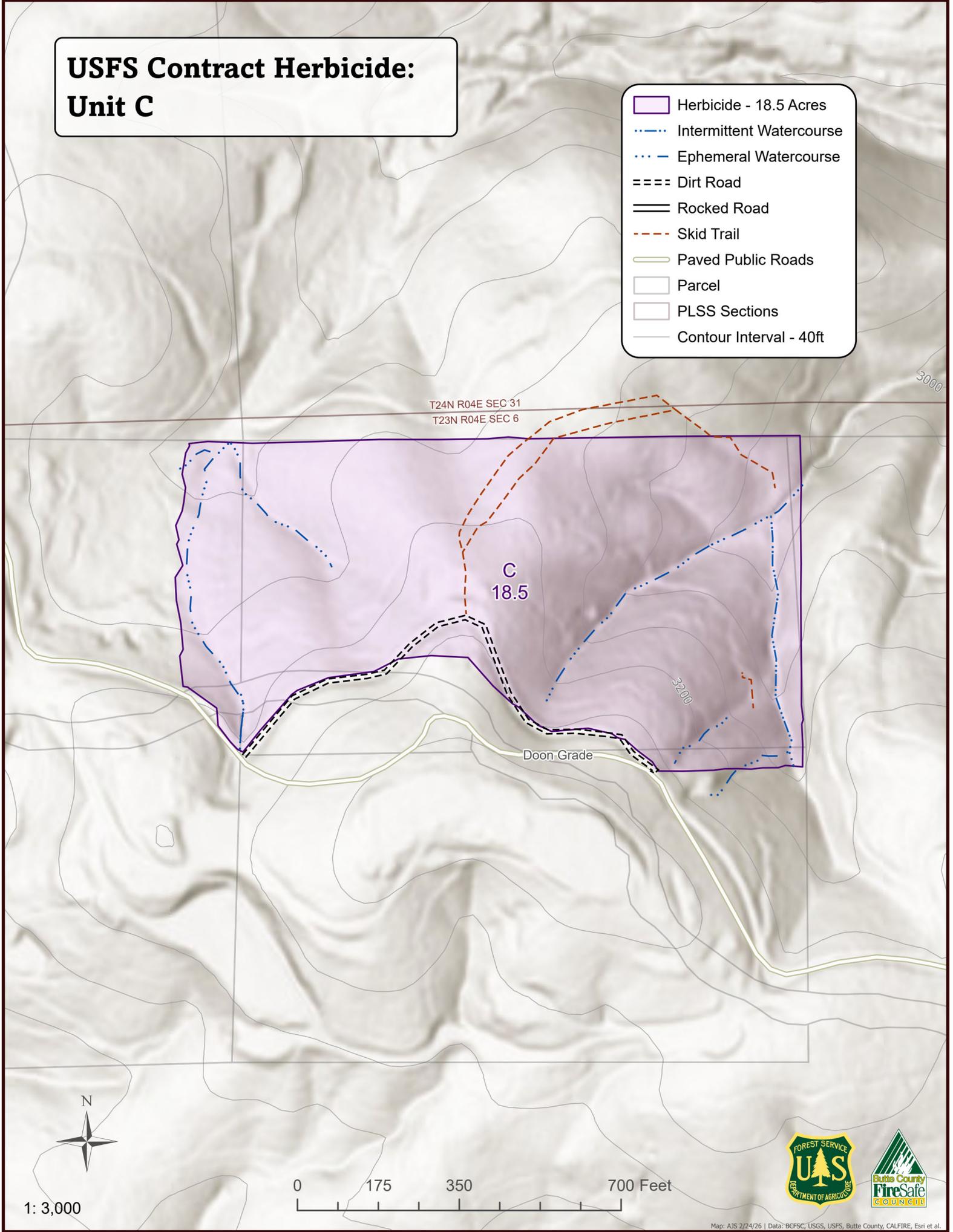


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USFS Contract Herbicide: Unit C

- Herbicide - 18.5 Acres
- Intermittent Watercourse
- Ephemeral Watercourse
- Dirt Road
- Rocked Road
- Skid Trail
- Paved Public Roads
- Parcel
- PLSS Sections
- Contour Interval - 40ft



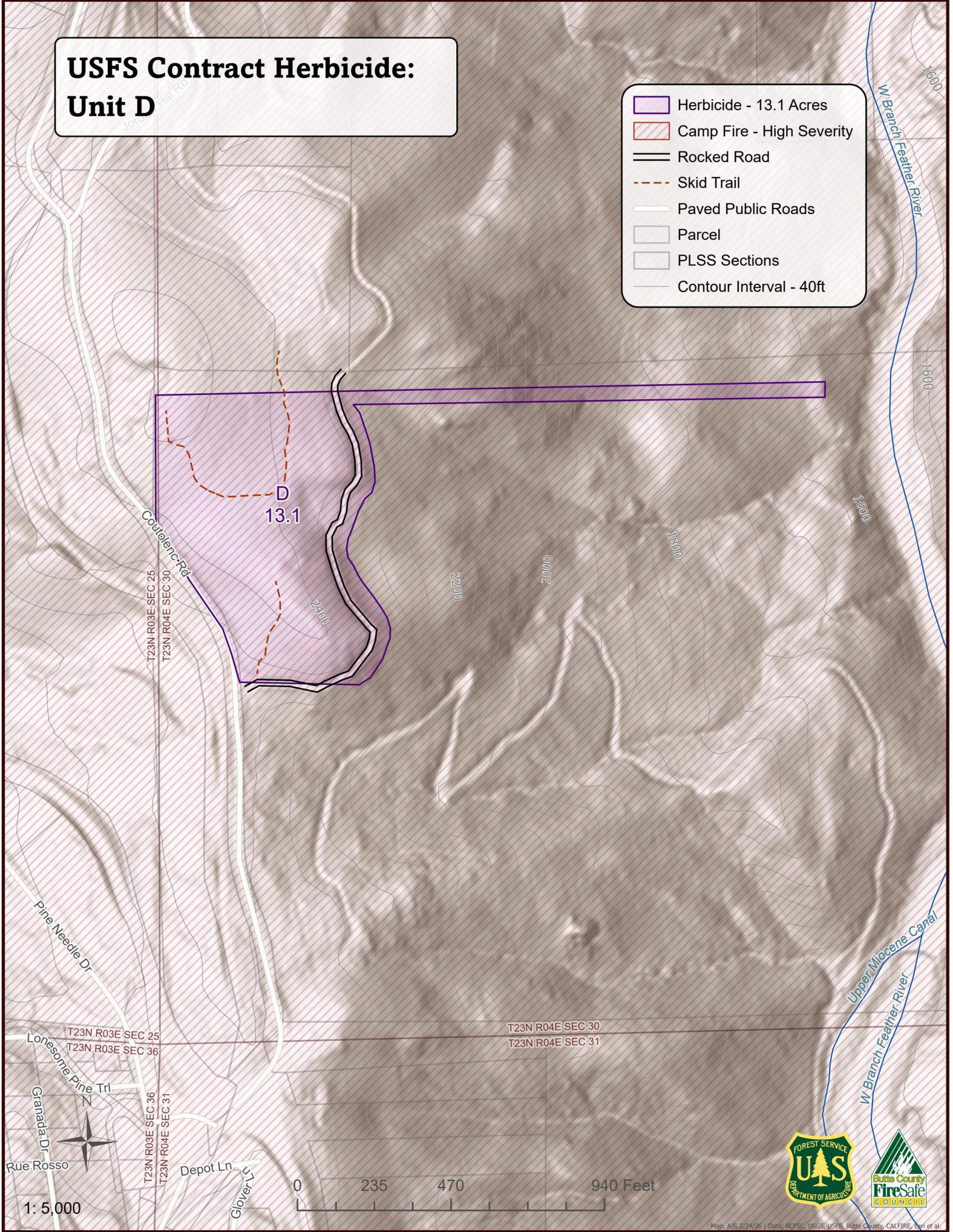
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USFS Contract Herbicide: Unit D

-  Herbicide - 13.1 Acres
-  Camp Fire - High Severity
-  Rocked Road
-  Skid Trail
-  Paved Public Roads
-  Parcel
-  PLSS Sections
-  Contour Interval - 40ft

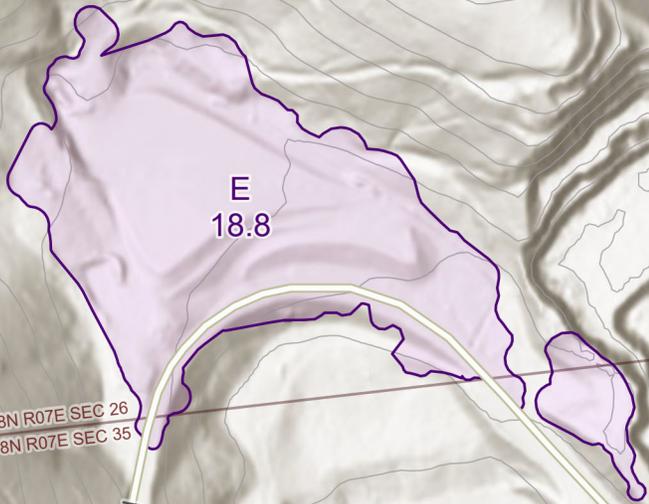


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USFS Contract Herbicide: Unit E

-  Herbicide - 18.8 Acres
-  PLSS Sections
-  Paved Public Roads
-  Contour Interval - 40ft



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USFS Contract Herbicide: Unit F

-  Herbicide - 5.5 Acres
-  Dirt Road
-  Rocked Road
-  Skid Trail
-  Public Roads
-  PLSS Sections
-  Contour Interval - 40ft

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T23N R04E SEC 28

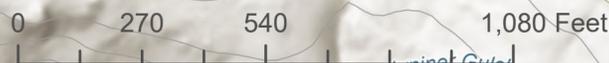
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Sawmill Peak Rd

Jordan Hill Rd

Oakway

Folytninot Gulch



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USFS Contract Herbicide: Unit G

-  Herbicide - .5 Acres
-  Intermittent Watercourse
-  Ephemeral Watercourse
-  Dirt Road
-  Rocked Road
-  Skid Trail
-  Public Roads
-  PLSS Sections
-  Contour Interval - 40ft

T23N R03E SEC 1
T23N R03E SEC 12

Biezo Way

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