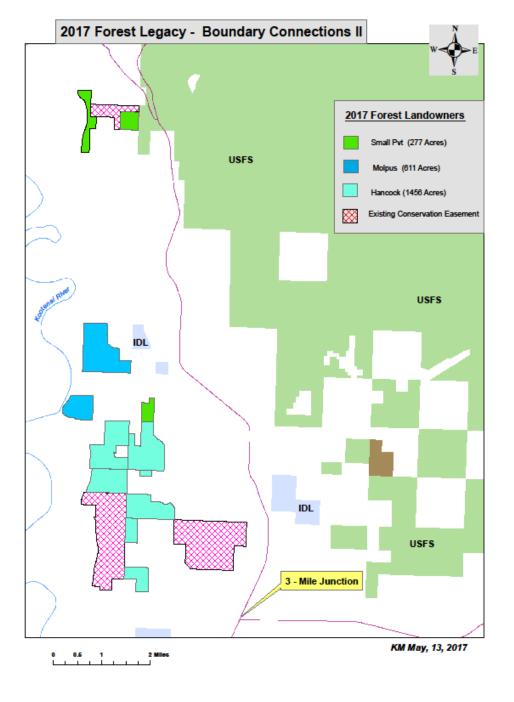
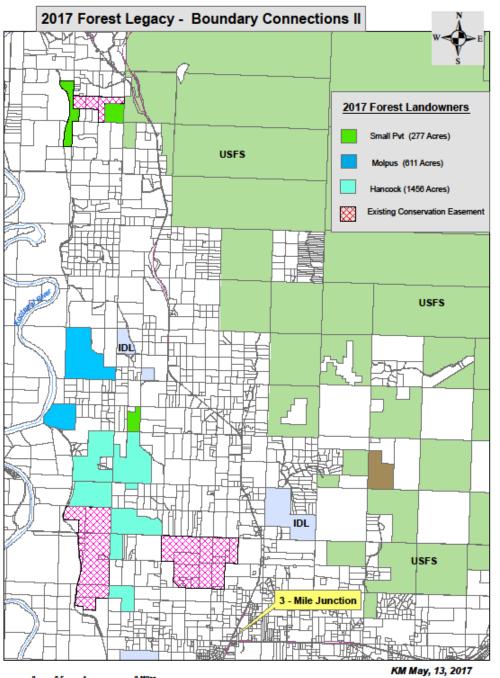
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<u>forest Legacy Program</u> -- a voluntary program that protects important <u>private</u> <u>forestlands</u> that are threatened by conversion to non-forest uses; the intent of this program is to protect our rural <u>"working resource lands"</u> for the benefit of our local & regional resource-based economies.

- 1) Idaho Dept of Lands (IDL) sponsored program. Funds come from the Land & Water Conservation Fund (Federal Farm Bill) which originates from federal oil and gas leases.
- 2) Conservation easement restricts **subdivision** and major **development**.
- 3) All <u>traditional uses are permitted</u> (Agriculture, Forestry, Livestock, cottage industries, rentals, gravel pits, etc)
- 4) Home/shops/ barns/outbuildings are permitted on each parcel if the owner desires.
- 5) Property taxes do not change. Yield taxes do not change.
- 6) Conservation easement is perpetual.

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- 2343 acres of forestland in this project.
 - 2,067 acres are industrial forestland (88% of acres) (Molpus & Hancock)
 - Three family woodlands (276 acres) (12%)
- 70% of the acres are in healthy, vigorous plantations (WL, DF, & WWP) from 10 25 years of age. Plantations are managed for 40 year rotations.
- These are very productive forestlands. Most of these lands have been well managed over the past 30 years by Crown Pacific, Forest Capital, and now Molpus & Hancock.
- This area is used heavily by <u>elk for spring calving.</u>
- Three grizzly bears have been documented on these properties over the past 25 years.
- Adjacent Conservation Easements This project will add to and complement three prior Forest Legacy projects:
 - Bane Creek FLP FY2010: 720 acres,
 - Boundary Conn FLP FY2012: 750 acres,
 - Selkirk KV FLP FY2016: 150 acres
- This project in conjunction with these 3 other Forest Legacy projects mentioned above will protect these <u>water resources</u>:
 - Kootenai River frontage 2,150' (one side only) (Class I)
 - Bane Creek -- 22,340' on both sides (Class II)
 - Fleming Creek 7,940' on both sides (Class II)
 - N. Fk Fleming Crk 4,330' on both sides (Class II)
 - Brush Creek 7,150 on both sides (Class II)
 - NB 17 unnamed Crk 7,790 on both sides (Class II)
- Hancock and Molpus will provide for <u>Public Access</u> for their forestlands in this project (2,067 Acres).

Idaho Forest Products Industry

- Annual Mill Consumption in Timber: 1 billion board feet of logs → 222,200 log truck loads.
- 2) 60% 65% of this timber → grown & harvested on Private forestlands → 625 million board feet → 138,000 log truck loads (average for past 20+ years).
- 3) 30% 35% of this timber → from IDL forest lands
- 4) Less than 10% of the harvest is from USFS lands
- 5) Moyie Mill -- consumes 80 85 mmbf of logs annually (19,000 log truck loads)