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### **SUN MOUNTAIN LUMBER PURCHASES TIMBER SOUTHEAST OF DILLON**

DILLON (November 21, 2006) – Sun Mountain Lumber of Deer Lodge was the successful bidder on two timber sales offered by the Bureau of Land Management in Dillon. Both sales are generally in the same area, about 90 miles southeast of Dillon and west of Lakeview, MT.

The sales, known as the Price Creek Salvage/Aspen Treatment and the Bean Creek Salvage/Aspen Treatment, are the result of BLM wanting to remove bug-killed timber and stimulating growth in aspen stands at the same time. Sun Mountain will have 26 months to complete the contract, but no activity is expected this winter.

Price Creek and Bean Creek Salvage sales are made up of mixed conifer stands suitable for sawlogs and fuelwood. The 925 acre Price Creek sale consists of 2060 MBF of sawlogs and 287 MBF of fuelwood. It sold for \$198,685.

Bean Creek is a 221 acre sale consisting of 621 MBF of sawlogs and 137 MBF of fuelwood. It sold for \$41,256.