

# Finding your Forest Soil Information



Your Forest Stewardship Plan will have a place for information about your soils. Soil information can be found at the USDA Web Soil Survey (WSS) site.

<https://websoilsurvey.sc.egov.usda.gov/App/HomePage.htm>

Click the green button “Start WSS”



Under the tab titled Area of Interest (AOI) select **PLSS (Section, Township, Range)**

Select State-Montana

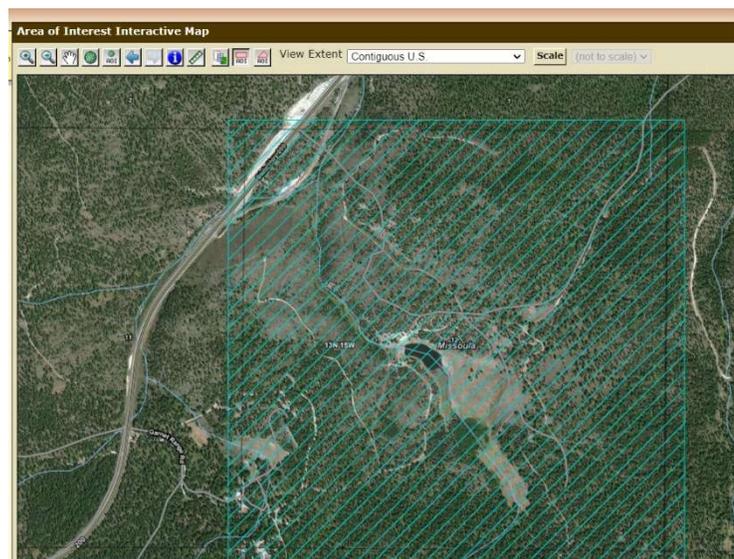
Principal Meridian-Principal

Enter your section, township, and range

Click the bottom lower right “View.” This will take you to the map view including the area of your property.

A screenshot of the 'PLSS (Section, Township, Range)' form. The form is titled 'PLSS (Section, Township, Range)' and has a 'View' button. It contains several input fields: 'State' (Montana), 'Principal Meridian' (Principal), 'Section' (12), 'Township' (13 N), and 'Range' (15 W). There are also checkboxes for 'Show PLSS Township and Range Layer in Map' and 'Show PLSS Section Layer in Map', both of which are checked. A 'View Meridian Map' button is located next to the Principal Meridian field. The form is part of a larger interface with a 'Latitude and Longitude of Current Location' header and a 'Bureau of Land Management' footer.

Click the button at the left “AOI rectangle” then make a polygon around your area of interest. You can also use the AOI polygon and draw around your area. Your selection will appear in blue with diagonal lines.



Select the second tab labeled "Soil Map." This will show the soil types across the property. The numbers will correspond with a list to the left. You may have one or several types within your boundaries. You can click on each soil type to read further description. For map printing select the printable version button at the top right. For a printable version of the soil information select the soil name in blue font, description will open, then select the printable version button at the bottom.

Area of Interest (AOI) | **Soil Map** | Soil Data Explorer | Download Soils Data | Shopping Cart (Free) | Printable Version | Add to Shopping Cart

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Map Unit Legend

Missoula County Area, Montana (MT638)  
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Map Unit Symbol	Map Unit Name	Acres in AOI	Percent of AOI
6	Poverty-Ibex family, complex, 0 to 2 percent slopes	34.3	4.7%
33	Crow silt loam, 4 to 15 percent slopes	265.8	36.4%
49	Greenough silt loam, 4 to 15 percent slopes	125.2	17.1%
130	Winkler very	150.5	20.6%

Scale: 1:17,800 ±1%

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