

Attention Bison Ranchers and Interested Tribal Members

Notice of Bison Sale – CSKT Bison Range

The **Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT)** will conduct a **herd health capture event in September 2026** at the **CSKT Bison Range**. This event is part of our long-term herd management plan to maintain genetic diversity and keep the herd within the Range's carrying capacity.

As part of this effort, **surplus bison** (ages 1–3 years) will be **offered for sale through a sealed bid auction**. Each bison will require an **individual bid**.

The available animals include:

- 15 yearling bulls
- 15 yearling heifers
- 6 two-year-old bulls
- 4 two-year-old heifers
- 4 three-year-old heifers
- 6 three-year-old bulls

Minimum Bid Amounts

- Yearling's: \$1000.00 minimum bid each
- Two-year-old's: \$1500.00 minimum bid each
- Three-year-old's: \$1800.00 minimum bid each

A **10% deposit** is required with each bid. Deposits must be in the form of a **cashier's check or money order** (no personal checks), payable to: **Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes**

Deposits will be returned to unsuccessful bidders only. Successful bidders who decline to complete the sale will **forfeit their deposit**. Final payment from winning bidders must also be made by **cashier's check, money order, or cash**.

Please note:

- *Bid packets are available for viewing and download on our website at <https://cskt.org/natural-resources/wildlife-management/> (under the Big Game Depredation section), and can be requested to be received via email (wildlife@cskt.org).*
- No guarantees are made regarding the size or weight of animals.
 - *All bison will be visibly healthy at the time of loading. In 2026 *Mircoplasma bovis* was detected in the Bison Range herd, further testing of bison has shown it has been in the herd since at least 2004, management of this diseases is on-going.*

- **Buyers are responsible for transporting animals.**
- A veterinarian will be on site during the event. Costs for **mandatory health testing** (required for interstate transport) will be the responsibility of the buyer and added to the sale total.
- Buyers should coordinate with **state agricultural offices** for transport requirements.

Deadline for Sealed Bid Submission: All sealed bids must be submitted physically or post marked to our office by 5:30 pm on the closing date of September 10, 2026.

Public Sealed Bid Opening: Sealed bids will be opened on Monday Sept. 14, 2026 at 4:00PM MST at 406 6th Ave E, Polson MT or on Facebook Live at the CSKT Division Page:
<https://www.facebook.com/CSKTWildlife>.

Notification of Winning Bids:

High bidders will be notified **after September 15, 2026.**

To request a bid package, contact:

CSKT Wildlife Management Program: 406-883-2888

CSKT Bison Range Biologist: 406-675-2700 ext. 7012

If leaving a voicemail, **please include your name, phone number, mailing address, and ZIP code** so we can send the bid package to you.

Bison Pickup Deadline:

Purchased, live bison must be picked up **between October 5–8, 2026 (Monday–Thursday only)** unless alternate arrangements are approved in advance. Animals not picked up by the deadline may be offered to the next highest bidder.

BID INVITATION SALE OF LIVE BISON
CSKT Bison Range
58355 Bison Range Road
Moiese, Montana 59824
Phone (406) 675-2700

Date Issued/Opened: August 03, 2026
10, 2026 5:30 PM

Bid Closed: September

The CSKT Bison Range is offering 50 live American Bison (buffalo) for sale by sealed, competitive bid. Top bid per animal for each group will be awarded first, then the second highest bid, and so on until all animals in each sex and age group have been awarded. Bids are accepted for one or more animals. Bids will be considered in whole dollars only (no cents). **The Bison Range cannot guarantee fulfillment of sale quantities in any given year.**

Sealed bids in single copy with deposit will be received at the above address until **5:30 P.M.** (Mountain Daylight Saving Time), on the date specified. This bid is a contractual agreement. By bidding and signing this, you are contractually obligated to complete the purchase. If you do not sign this page, your bid is null and void.

Bid envelopes should be marked "Bison Bid – open before 5:30 P.M., Wednesday September 10, 2026.

QUANTITY AVAILABLE	DESCRIPTION	NUMBER DESIRED	PRICE BID PER ANIMAL	TOTAL BID
15	Yearling Males		\$	\$
15	Yearling Females		\$	\$
6	Two-year old Males		\$	\$
4	Two-year old Females		\$	\$
6	Three-year old Males		\$	\$
4	Three-year old Females		\$	\$
Minimum Bids	Yearlings \$1000 Two-year olds/ \$1,500 bison Three-year olds \$1,800/bison			

Name of Individual or Firm (Please print):

Signature:

Address/ **Phone Number**

Date: _____

Phone
Number: _____

TURN OVER

Deposit to **Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes** in the amount of \$ _____ is
enclosed

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Contact persons: Shannon Clairmont, (406) 675-2700 ext. 7012
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