

Date of Task Order: March 12, 2025
Project: On-Farm Irrigation Efficiency Educator Position
Task Order Number: 13

**TASK ORDER BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION
AND THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES
OF THE FLATHEAD INDIAN RESERVATION**

WHEREAS the State of Montana and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) entered into a water compact that was codified in Montana Code Annotated § 85-20-1901.

WHEREAS the State of Montana, by and through the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), and the CSKT have entered into a Master Agreement for purposes of carrying forward the implementation of the Water Compact under Article IV.G and Appendices 3.4 and 3.5 of the Compact. Under the Master Agreement, the Parties will receive recommendations through the Compact Implementation Technical Team (CITT) related to implementation expenditures.

The purpose of this Task Order is to provide funding for CITT’s On-farm Irrigation Efficiency Educator position (Educator). This program will provide funding for 80% of the position with a 20% match provided by Montana State University (MSU) Extension. The educator will provide technical assistance to irrigators and producers to more effectively use irrigation water to enhance the growth of forages, pasture, and field crops. The Parties, upon execution of this Task Order, shall authorize a total not-to-exceed amount of \$400,000 over a period of 5 years to fund this position.

MSU Extension shall administer the funds for the position on behalf of the CITT. This arrangement will be formalized in a Memorandum of Agreement (MOA) between MSU Extension and CSKT. MSU Extension shall provide quarterly reports to CITT about the expenditure of funds.

For this Task Order, the primary contact person for the DNRC will be the State's CITT representative. The primary contact person for the CSKT will be the Tribes' CITT representative.

Except as modified by this Task Order, all terms and conditions of the in-force Master Agreement remain unchanged and in full force and in effect.

A detailed scope of work is attached to this Task Order. The scope of work includes a position description, budgetary details, and defines the process of execution of this Task Order.

The Parties through their authorized agents have executed this Task Order on the dates set out below.

STATE OF MONTANA

Printed Name

Title

Signature

Date

CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES

Printed Name

Title

Signature

Date