



COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
USDI Bureau of Land Management
Eastern Montana Dakotas District
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
Eastern Land Office
And the
Bureau of Indian Affairs, Rocky Mountain Region, Northern Cheyenne Agency

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the current 2017-2021 Montana Statewide Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement. The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility and to describe the cost division.

General Incident Information:

Incident Name: Richard Spring
Incident Start Date and Time: 8/8/2021 1434 hrs
Origin: Private
Township: 1N Range: 40E Section: 28
Estimated Size: Acres at the time of this agreement: 171130
Incident Cause: Coal Seam

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
BLM	LG29-428	N74E
MT DNRC	LG29-428	901468
BIA	LG29-428	N74E

Cost Share Period: This agreement becomes effective on the date indicated below and will remain in effect until amended or terminated.

Start date/time: 8/8/2021/ 1434 hrs

End date/time: End of Incident

Other conditions relative to this agreement:

1. Costs incurred by cooperators not engaged with the host agency or Incident Management Team (IMT) in the fire suppression activities will not be included as a part of this cost share agreement.
2. Responsibility for tort claim costs will not be a part of this agreement. Responsibility for these costs will be determined outside this agreement.
3. Agency specific costs will not be shared.
4. Costs for accountable, sensitive, and durable property purchased by each agency will be charged directly to that agency and will not be shared.
5. Non-suppression rehabilitation costs are the responsibility of the jurisdictional agency and will not be shared.



6. Each agency (including supporting agencies) will bill for their costs as outlined in the Cooperative Fire Management Agreement billing procedures.

Protecting Agencies' Strategies:

The strategy for all agencies associated with this incident is full suppression with full perimeter control

Cost Share Methodology and Rationale:

The percentage of acres burned methodology was chosen for these fires because the values at risk and the effort was equal for all agencies involved. See attached map for incident acreage. Three percent of the indirect costs associated with the incident management team will be apportioned to the Lame Deer Fire MT-NCA-449 to account for the IMT's oversight of that incident.

Final Agency Apportionment:

1. Federal Share:

a.	BLM	2%
b.	BIA	26%

2. State Share :

a.	MT	72%
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Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Title:	Name:	Agency:
Agency Administrator	Eric Lepisto	USDI BLM
Agency Representative	Thedis Crowe	BIA
Agency Administrator	Chris Pileski	MT DNRC
Agency Representative		
Incident Business	Sue Clark	MT DNRC
Advisor(s)	Mariah Gibson	BLM
	Amanda Boatright	BIA
Incident Commander(s)	Roger Staats	NR Team 3
Other IMT members as appropriate		




Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:

This agreement and the apportionment described are our best judgments of fair and equitable agency cost responsibilities.

Agency Name: Eastern Montana/Dakotas District BLM
Address: 111 Garryowen Road
City, State Zip: Miles City MT 59301

Signature: ERIC LEPISTO Digitally signed by ERIC LEPISTO
Date: 2022.01.05 14:36:06 -07'00' Date: January 5, 2022
Eric Lepisto
Field Manager Miles City Field Office BLM

Agency Name: Eastern Land Office MT DNRC
Address: P.O. Box 1794
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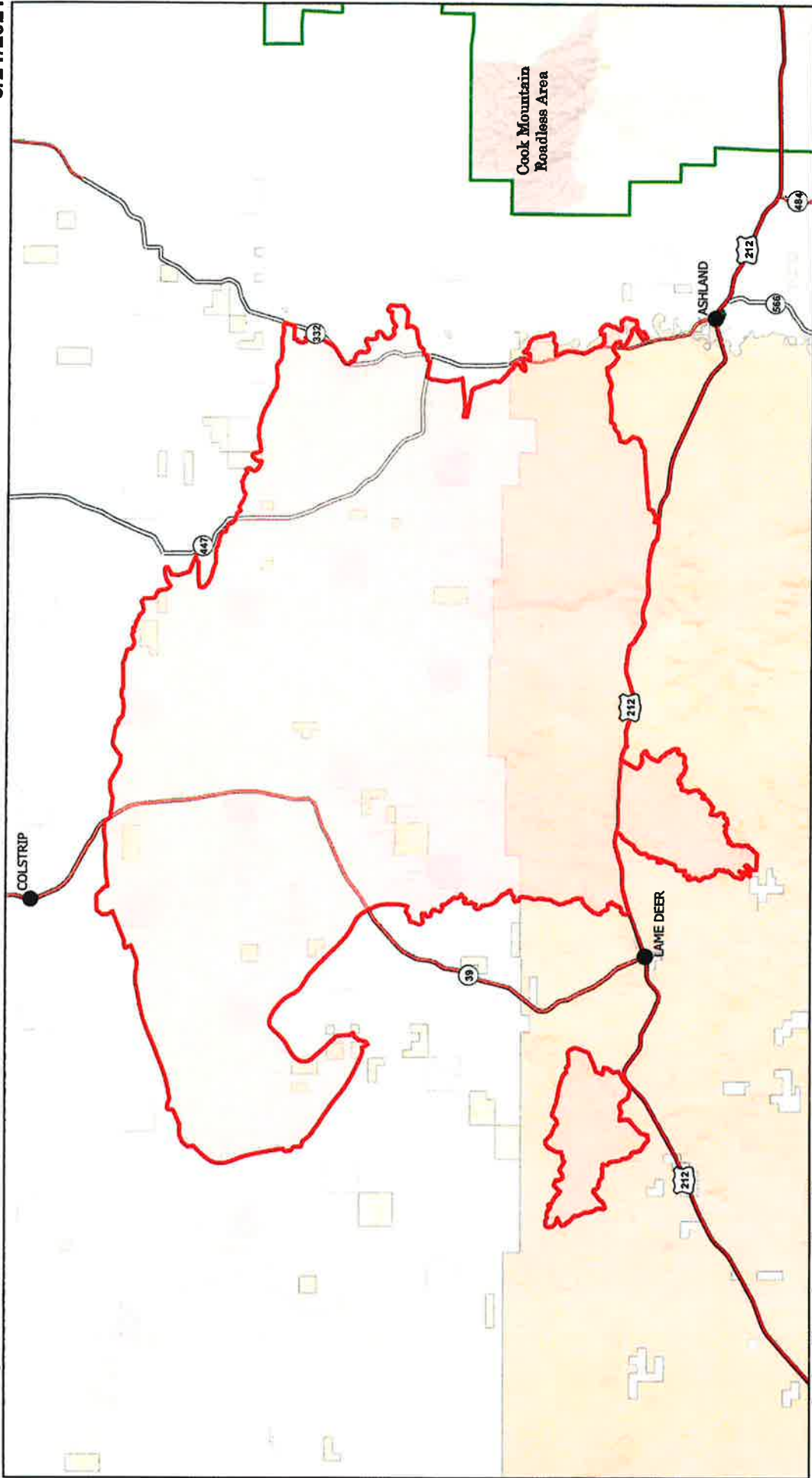
Signature:  Date: 1/10/22
Chris Pileski
Area Manager Eastern Land Office

Agency Name: Rocky Mountain Region, Northern Cheyenne Agency, BIA
Address: P.O. Box 40
City, State Zip: Lame Deer MT 59043

Signature: THEDIS CROWE Digitally signed by THEDIS
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Date: 2022.01.10 11:18:24
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Superintendent, BIA-Rocky Mountain Region, Northern Cheyenne Agency

Addendums to this Document:

Addendums to this document include:
Appendix A – Map of Fire Area



Richard Spring Fire Acres by Owner

Owner	Acres	% of Total
Private	115,337	68
N. Cheyenne	45,103	26
State of MT	6,863	4
BLM	3,109	2
Total	171,130	100

- BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
- USDA FOREST SERVICE
- NORTHERN CHEYENNE TRIBE
- PRIVATE
- STATE OF MONTANA

Richard Spring Fire
MT-LG29-000428
 Fire Perimeter as of
 08/18/2021 2047 hrs
 171,130 Acres

Lame Deer Fire
MT-NCA-000449
 Fire Perimeter as of
 08/15/2021 2021 hrs
 5,427 Acres



Cook Mountain
Roadless Area

COLSTRIP

LAME DEER

ASHLAND

332

447

212

39

212

489

569