



COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
USDA Forest Service: Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest
And the
State of Montana, Department of Natural Resources & Conservation

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

General Incident Information:

Incident Name: Woods Creek Fire
Incident Start Date and Time: 07/10/2021 1345
Origin
Latitude: 46.55128 N Longitude: 111.356 W
Estimated Size: 55,431.9 acres Acres at the time of this agreement: 55,431.9
Incident Cause: Lightning

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
USDA Forest Service	MT-HLF-000258	P1N5JY (0115)
Montana DNRC	MT-HLF-000258	901406

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

Start date/time: 7/10/2021

End date/time: End of the 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 Montana Statewide Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Response Agreement (2017-2021), billing procedures.



Protecting Agencies' Strategies:

The Woods Creek Fire was managed under a full suppression strategy from initial attack throughout the life of the incident by all cooperating agencies.

Cost Share Methodology and Rationale:

The agencies agree that the best way to share costs for this fire is for the State of Montana to pay the US Forest Service all aviation costs as they appear in the FS Financial System, Cost Summary, Aviation Report.

The State of Montana will also retain all charges that appear in the state financial system with no further cross-billing to the US Forest Service.

The final billing will be the actual aviation cost when all charges have been processed through the US Forest Service agency financial system and aviation costs are finalized.

Final Agency Apportionment: See Cost Share Methodology and Rationale paragraph above.

1. Federal Share:

a.	USFS	%
b.	BLM	%
c.	FWS	%
d.	NPS	%
e.	BIA	%

2. State Share :

a.	MT	%
b.		%

Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Title: Agency Administrator	Name: Sara Mayben	Agency: USFS Helena-Lewis and Clark National Forest
Agency Administrator	Hoyt Richards	Montana DNRC

Incident Business
Advisor(s)
Incident Commander(s)

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.

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Signature: _____ Date: _____
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Signature: Hoyt Richards Date: 3-23-2022
NAME: Hoyt Richards
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Addendums to this Document:

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



Appendix A: Woods Creek Fire Protection by Agency Final Map





