



COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
Montana DNRC
And the
Lolo & Flathead National Forests

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the Statewide Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement executed between the parties on 1/26/2023. The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility and to describe the cost division.

General Incident Information:

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| Incident Name: | Colt | |
| Incident Start Date and Time: | 7/18/2023 06:59 | |
| Origin | | |
| Township: 18N | Range: 16W | Section: 5 (Top of NE sec 5) |
| Estimated Size | Acres at the time of this agreement: 4390 | |
| Incident Cause: | Lightning | |

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

| Agency | Incident # | Accounting Code |
|---------|---------------|-----------------|
| MT DNRC | MT-SWS-200549 | 903164 |
| USFS | | PNQD24-1522 |
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Cost Share Period: This agreement becomes effective on the date indicated below and will remain in effect until amended or terminated.

Start date/time: 7/24/2023

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:

Costs prior to 7/24 will be the responsibility of MT DNRC. Agencies will use the e-Isuite Cost Module to capture the daily costs recorded from 7/18/2023 through and including 7/23/2023 to determine the MT-DNRC responsibility for that period. Since agency financial systems do not break down costs by day, the e-Isuite Group Category Summary Report by Incident will be used. The total reflected on that report through 7/23/2024 will be subtracted from the combined incident actual total cost as calculated by the agency financial systems. The remainder of the combined actual costs will be divided by the acre-split percentage shown below. The e-Isuite costs will be calculated at the end of the incident because costs in that program are continuously updated as the incident progresses.

Cost share will start 7/24 when the Colt fire crossed protection boundaries to the northwest (Flathead NF) and east (Lolo NF). Actual costs will be divided by the acre-split shown below minus the dollar amount discussed above. Acres will be based on protection area boundaries.

Total acres, and identified protection acres, for the purpose of this split will be derived from the final ICS-209, section 47 “Remarks.” Acres are calculated by the Situation Unit, reflected on maps, and indicated on the ICS-209.

Final Agency Apportionment:

1. Federal Share:

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

2. State Share :

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|----|--|---|
| a. | | % |
| b. | | % |



Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

| Title: | Name: | Agency: |
|------------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------------|
| Agency Line Officer | Mike O’Herron | MT DNRC SWLO |
| Agency Administrator | Kristen Baker-Dickinson | MT DNRC Clearwater Unit |
| Agency Line Officer | Greg Poncin | MT DNRC NWLO |
| Agency Administrator | David Marx | MT DNRC Swan Unit |
| Agency Line Officer | Carolyn Upton | Lolo NF |
| Agency Administrator | Quinn Carver | Lolo NF – Seeley Lake RD |
| Agency Line Officer | Carol Hatfield | Flathead NF |
| Agency Administrator | Chris Dowling | Flathead NF –Swan Lake RD |
| Incident Business Advisor | Natasha Bucklin | MT DNRC SWLO |
| Incident Business Advisor | Deanna Crawford Lena Rux | Lolo NF Lolo NF |
| Incident Business Specialist | Biddy Simet | Flathead NF |
| Incident Commander(s) | Brent Olson | ICCI Northern Rockies CIMT 1 |

Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Mike O’Herron
Area Manager
Montana DNRC – Southwestern Land Office

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Carolyn Upton
Forest Supervisor
Lolo National Forest

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Carol Hatfield
Acting Forest Supervisor
Flathead National Forest

Addendums to this Document:

Addendums to this document include:
Appendix A – Map of Fire Area with protection layer
Appendix B – Final Cost with final percentage of effort totals