



COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
USDA FS- Custer Gallatin National Forest
And the
Montana Department of Natural Resources
And the
Bureau of Land Management

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the 2023-2027 Statewide Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement (23-FI-11015600-048) executed between the parties on (01/26/2023). The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility and to describe the cost division.

General Incident Information:

Incident Name:	East Side	
Incident Start Date and Time:	April 20, 2026 @ 1234	
Origin	45.092167	-109.3142
Township: 8	Range: 20	Section: 31
Estimated Size	Acres at the time of this agreement: 1204	
Incident Cause:	Under Investigation	

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
USDA FS, MT-CGF	MT-CGF-260250	P1 SMCZ 0111
MT-DNRC	MT-CGF-260250	906059
DOI/BLM	MT-CGF-260250	SMCZ

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

Start date/time: 04/20/2026 @ 1234

End date/time: 06/01/2026 @ 2359

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 Cooperative Fire Management Agreement billing procedures.



Protecting Agencies' Strategies:

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

Cost Share Methodology and Rationale:

The Cost Share methodology is based on acres burned by protection responsibility. The final acreage split will be determined by a GIS map identifying protection agencies. Percentages determined by the final map will be populated below at the end of the incident.

Final Agency Apportionment:

1. Federal Share:

a.	USFS	89.3 %
b.	BLM	.2 %
c.	FWS	%
d.	NPS	%
e.	BIA	%

2. State Share :

a.	MT	10.5 %
b.		%

Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Title:	Name:	Agency:
Agency Administrator	Matthew Jedra	USDA FS
	Kurt Hansen	USDA FS
Agency Administrator	Eric Lepisto	USDI BLM
Agency Representative	Staci Thompson	USDI BLM
Agency Administrator	Joe Holzwarth	MT-DNRC
Agency Representative	Amy Haas	USDA FS
Incident Business Advisor(s)	Erin Lally	USDA FS
Incident Commander(s)	Tom Kuntz	Red Lodge Fire Department
	Tyson Atkinson	USDA FS
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.

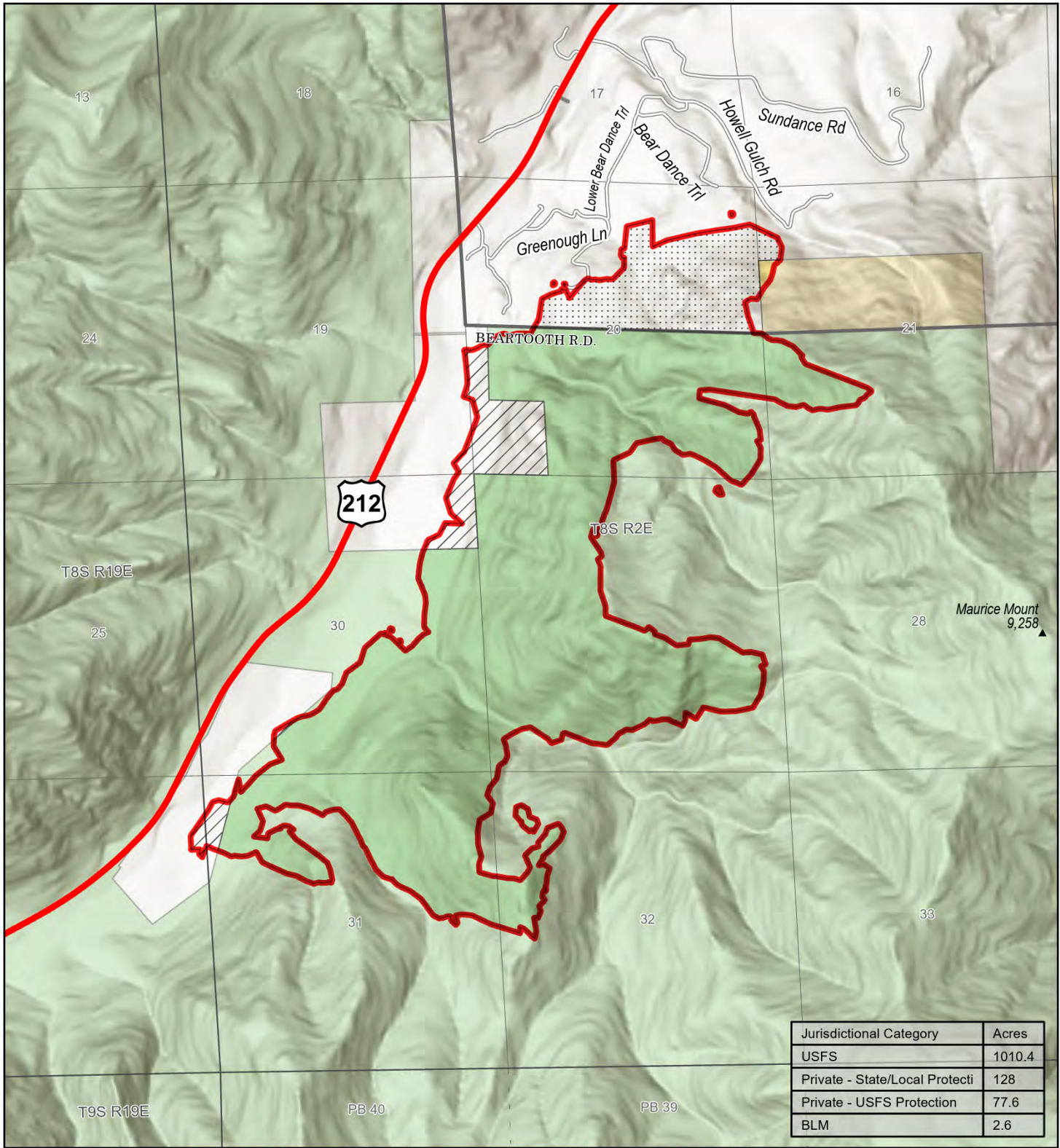
Signature: _____ Date: _____
Matthew Jedra
Forest Supervisor, Custer Gallatin National Forest, USFS

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Joe Holzwarth
Southern Land Office Area Manager, Montana DNRC

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Eric Lepisto, Field Office Manager, Miles City Field Office, BLM

Addendums to this Document:

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

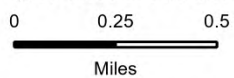


Jurisdictional Category	Acres
USFS	1010.4
Private - State/Local Protecti	128
Private - USFS Protection	77.6
BLM	2.6

Ownership

East Side
MTCGF - 260250
04/27/2026

1,219 acres at 04/24/2026 0933hrs



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Acres from Field

North American 1983 Datum, LatLong Grid

- Wildfire Perimeter
- Primary Highway
- Secondary Paved
- Secondary Dirt
- Forest Service Lands

- Jurisdictional Category
- BLM
 - Private - State/Local Protection
 - Private - USFS Protection
 - USFS

