



# APPLICATION

## Fire Hazard Reduction Agreement (HRA)

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT IN INK

DNRC USE ONLY:	
HRA Number:	_____
Area:	_____
Unit:	_____
Date App. Rec'd:	_____

### I. Type of Agreement (Check One):

Hazard Reduction Agreement (HRA)  Attachment to Master Hazard Agreement (MHRA)  
*(\$25.00 Application Fee Required)* *(Approved MHRA and Bond Required)*

Salvage?  Yes  No

### II. This AGREEMENT is entered into by:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Legal Name as it appears on your social security card)

Whose mailing address is: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number/Street/PO Box) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Phone) (Additional Phone) (Email Address)

Landowner Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Landowner Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Landowner Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Landowner Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number/Street/PO Box) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

Landowner willing to participate in BMP (Best Management Practices) field reviews?  Yes  No

Date Cutting Begins: \_\_\_\_\_ Cut by Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Cut by Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Number/Street/PO Box) (City) (State) (Zip Code)

III. Products to be Cut	Estimated Product Cut	Rates (HRA Only)	Products to be Cut	Estimated Product Cut	Rates (HRA Only)
Sawlogs by MBF		@ \$7.15/MBF	Posts, 3"-8" but Less Than 10'		@ \$1.03/Ton
Sawlogs by Ton		@ \$1.03/Ton	Fence Rails & Poles 10'-20'		@ \$1.03/Ton
Pulpwood		@ \$1.03/Ton	Other (List)		

### IV. Purchasers/Cities:


### V. Legal Description of Cutting Activities:(1/4, 1/4 Section)

Geocode	Section	Township	Range	Harvest Ac.

### VI. Map of Cutting Activity:

Please attach USGS Quad Map or equivalent which clearly shows logging unit(s), existing and new roads, streams, houses, power lines, and other major topographic features.

### VII. SMZ Law Responsible Party:

SMZ Responsible Party:  HRA Holder  Landowner  Other: \_\_\_\_\_

(\*SMZ Law Responsible Party Signature is required on the HRA Contract.)



## COMPLETING THE SLASH/FOREST PRACTICES RISK MATRIX

The Slash/Forest Practices Risk Matrix helps the DNRC forester identify "high risk" logging operations, to prioritize both pre-harvest and post-harvest inspections. The questions are similar to those used previously to assess risk, but have been changed and updated to reflect the risk associated with each part of the logging operation (slash, forest practices, contractor performance).

DNRC Forester Judgment. One substantial change is the addition of a rating by the DNRC forester regarding past (or current) performance by the applicant. This rating will allow DNRC to factor the applicant's documented performance to determine whether an inspection is warranted. The rating allows for up to 6 points to be either subtracted from or added to the rating of the operation. The corresponding effect on the point total could justify inspecting a site which otherwise would not be in the "high risk" category (for problem contractors), or justify clearance by affidavit of a site which otherwise would be "high risk: category (for good contractors).

The following should be used by the DNRC forester to determine which adjustment factor to use:

### 0 to +3 Points:

- Contractor has not established a reputation within area.
- Contractor currently has an HRA out of compliance.
- Contractor has had a SMZ Warning issued within last 3 years.
- Contractor has a documented history of major BMP Departures

### +4 to +6 Points:

- Contractor is unfamiliar with BMP/SMZ requirements.
- Contractor has had an HRA taken over within past 3 years.
- Contractor has been issued an SMZ Repair Order within past 3 years.
- Contractor currently has several HRAs out of compliance.
- Contractor has been assessed penalty for SMZ Violations.

### 0 to -3 Points:

- Contractor has a good reputation, but hasn't logged much.
- Contractor was issued an SMZ Warning in the past 3 years, but resolved the problem prior to the deadline.
- Contractor has attended BMP/SMZ Demonstration Audits.

### -4 to -6 Points:

- Contractor has completed the Accredited Logger Program (ALP).
- No SMZ Warning or Order has been issued within past 3 years.
- Contractor has a solid reputation with DNRC, MLA, and landowners.

Western/Eastern Montana Differences. Slash Question #5 has different values depending on location, and the overall risk rating thresholds are different by location. Use the SMZ definition of "Eastern Montana" to determine which question or rating to use.

Pre-Harvest Site Inspections. Use only the total risk rating for the **Forest Practices** questions to determine if a pre-harvest site inspection is warranted. Any operations which receive a "High" risk rating should be inspected prior to the start of logging.

Post-harvest Site Inspections. Assign a "High", "Moderate", or "Low" risk rating for Slash and Forest Practices, based upon the total points from the corresponding questions. **Slash and Forest Practices are totaled and rated separately.** Match each rating within the Matrix Box at the bottom of the page. Based upon the result, determine whether to conduct a post-harvest site inspection, or to clear the HRA with a "Certification of Compliance Affidavit." A post-harvest inspection should be done on most sites for which a pre-harvest inspection was done and a BMP review form was completed.

**Example 1:** A Slash Rating of "High" and a Forest Practices Rating of "Low" would result in a clearance by Inspection.

**Example 2:** A Slash Rating of "Low" and a Forest Practices Rating of "Moderate" would result in a clearance by Affidavit.

**NOTE:** DNRC reserves the right to inspect **any site**, regardless of the point totals. Conversely, DNRC may also elect to clear by affidavit a site for which the point totals indicate the need for an inspection. This Matrix is only a tool to help prioritize inspections on a daily basis.