



**COST SHARE AGREEMENT**  
Between the  
**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION**  
**EASTERN LAND OFFICE**  
and the  
**USDI BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**  
**EASTERN MONTANA DAKOTAS DISTRICT**

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the Statewide Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement #11-FI-110156000-006 executed between the parties on (8/25/2011). The purpose of this agreement is to provide for a coordinated cooperative fire suppression operation on this fire and to describe the cost division.

**General Incident Information:**

Incident Name: Bales Creek Fire  
Incident Start Date and Time: July 11, 2015 12:07  
Location: Latitude: 45°01.818'DDM Longitude: -106°7.314'DDM  
Estimated Size: Acres at the time of this agreement: 5750  
Incident Cause: Under Investigation

**Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Incident #</b>	<b>Accounting Code</b>
Montana DNRC	MT-MCD-000147	845003
BLM	MT-MCD-000147	JX0N

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

Start date/time: 7/11/2015, 12:07

End date/time: 7/23/2015, 12:00

**Other conditions relative to this agreement:**

1. Costs incurred by cooperators not engaged with the host agency or 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. Costs for accountable, sensitive, and durable property purchased by each agency will be charged directly to that agency and will not be shared.
4. Non-suppression rehabilitation costs are the responsibility of the jurisdictional agency and will not be shared.



5. Each agency will bill for their costs as outlined in the MONTANA COOPERATIVE FIRE MANAGEMENT and STAFFORD ACT RESPONSE AGREEMENT #11-FI-110156000-006 executed between the parties on (8/25/2011) billing procedures.

**Cost Share Methodology:**

The cost share will be based on a percentage of protection responsibility across within the area defined by the final fire boundary on the date the fire is declared out. The costs to be shared include all costs associated with the management of the incident, including structure protection. The decision was made to use the actual acreage burned in each agency's protection responsibility because of equal effort expended on all areas of the incident.

**Final Agency Apportionment:**

1. Federal Share:

a.	BLM	38%
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2. State Share :

a.	MT	62%
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**Principal Contacts:**

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Agency:</b>
Agency Administrator	Chris Pileski	MT DNRC
Agency Administrator	Diane Friez	USDI BLM
Incident Business Advisor(s)	Sarah J. Lee	USDI BLM
Incident Commander(s)	David Hamilton	MT DNRC
		MT DNRC CAT



**Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:**

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

**Attachments:**

Cost Share Map

USDI Bureau of Land Management  
Eastern Montana/Dakotas District  
111 Garryowen Road  
Miles City, MT 59301

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

**Diane Friez, District Manager**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

7/30/2015

Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation  
Eastern Land Office  
321 Main Street  
Miles City, Montana 59301

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

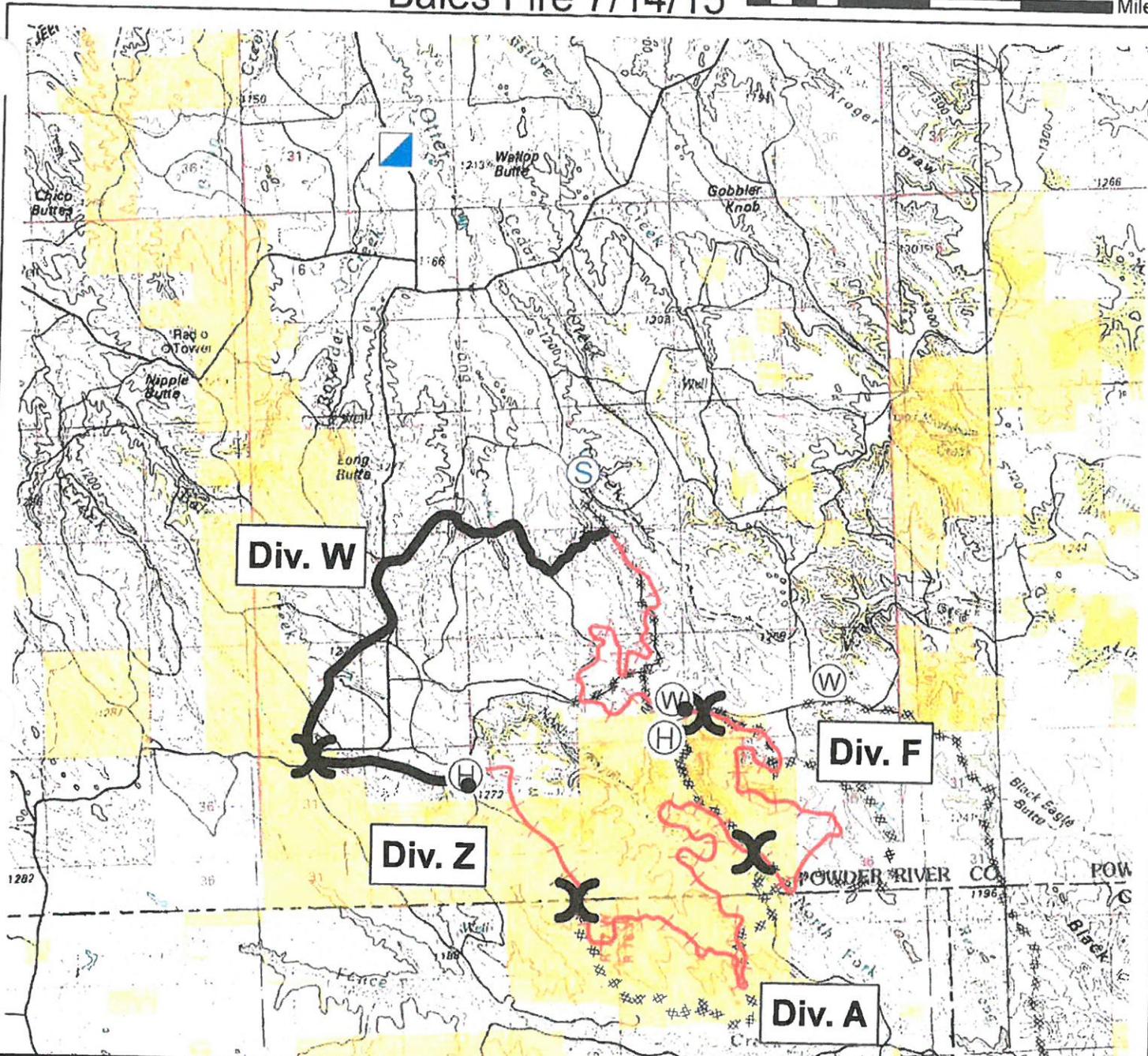
**Chris Pileski, Area Manager**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

7/30/15

# Bales Fire 7/14/15

0 0.4250.85 1.7 2.55 3.4 Miles



● Drop Point	× × × Dozer Line
⊙ W Water Source	<b>Ownership</b>
⊙ H Heli Spot	■ BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT
⊗ Division Break	■ DEPT OF STATE LANDS
⊙ S Staging Area	
■ Incident Command Post	
— Controlled Line	
□ Bales Fire 7-13-15	

**Fire Acres:**  
 BLM MT- 1847  
 MT Private- 3562  
 MT State- 86  
 WY BLM- 323

**Total: 5738**



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