COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
Flathead National Forest
And the
Department of Natural Resources, Northwest Land Office

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 2/17/11. The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility as outlined in the Squeezer Fire Decision Document and to describe the cost division.

General Incident Information:

Incident Name:		Squeezer			
Incident Start Date and Time:		August 22, 2015; 1530			
Origin:		47 43 77 N 113 43 517 W			
Township:	23N	Range:	17W	Section:	25
Estimated Size:	114	Acres at the time of this agreement:	114		
Incident Cause:	Lightening				

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
Forest Service		PNJ2G6
DNRC	MT-NWS-000694	955416

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

State date/time: August 28, 2015; 1400
End date/time: September 23, 2015

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 Statewide Cooperative Fire Agreement billing procedures.

Cost Share Methodology:

All costs through August 28, 2015 at 1359 will be the responsibility of the DNRC due to the fact that high a percentage of fire was on DNRC protection and DNRC was the primary manager of the fire until that point in time.

Starting on August 28, 2015 at 1400, suppression operational costs will be shared by effort expended by protection. Both USFS and DNRC agree on tactical strategies to directly suppress the fire where it can be safely engaged. A confine/contain strategy will be utilized in areas where full suppression tactics cannot be safely implemented. Sharing costs by protection and effort reflects the appropriate suppression efforts required of the cooperating agencies.

See Squeezer Fire Decision Document for detailed decision information.

Final Agency Apportionment:

1. Federal Share:

a.	USFS	5%
b.	BLM	%
c.	FWS	%
d.	NPS	%
e.	BIA	%

2. State Share :

a.	MT	95%
b.	ID	%
c.	ND	%
d.	other	%

Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Title:	Name:	Agency:
Agency Line Officer	Daniel Roberson	DNRC – Swan Unit
Agency Representative	Allen Branine	DNRC – Swan Unit
Agency Line Officer	Richard Kehr	USFS – FNF – Swan Lake Ranger District
Agency Representative	Justin Kaber	USFS – FNF – Swan Lake Ranger District

Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:

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

List and include appropriate attachments (such as I-Suite reports, Aircraft Use Reports, map, etc.):

Agency Name: USDA, Forest Service, Flathead National Forest, Swan Lake Ranger District
Name and Title: Richard Kehr, Agency Administrator

Signature: _____ Date: 1/29/16
Richard Kehr

Agency Name: MT DNRC
Name and Title: Daniel Roberson, Agency Administrator

Signature: _____ Date: 2/3/16
Daniel Roberson