

**Date of Task Order:** November 13, 2024  
**Project:** Off-Season Stock Water Mitigation Grant Program  
**Task Order Number:** 12

**TASK ORDER BETWEEN THE DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION  
AND THE CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES  
OF THE FLATHEAD INDIAN RESERVATION**

WHEREAS the State of Montana and the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes (CSKT) entered into a water compact that was codified in Montana Code Annotated § 85-20-1901.

WHEREAS the State of Montana, by and through the Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation (DNRC), and the CSKT have entered into a Master Agreement for purposes of carrying forward the implementation of the Water Compact under Article IV.G and Appendices 3.4 and 3.5 of the Compact. Under the Master Agreement, the Parties will receive recommendations through the Compact Implementation Technical Team (CITT) related to implementation expenditures.

WHEREAS the CITT, on November 13, 2024, approved the Off-Season Stock Water Mitigation Grant Application Worksheet and Application Guidelines, which are attached to this task order by reference.

The purpose of this Task Order is to provide funding for CITT’s Off-Season Stock Water Mitigation Grant Program (Grant Program). This program will provide funding for stockgrowers served by the Flathead Indian Irrigation Project (FIIP) who will no longer receive water outside of the irrigation season to implement projects to develop alternate sources of off-season stock water. The parties, upon execution of this Task Order, shall authorize a not-to-exceed amount of \$4,000,000 to complete the Grant Program.

DNRC shall administer the Grant Program on behalf of the CITT. DNRC shall provide quarterly reports to CSKT about the expenditure of funds. Fund expenditure will be dependent on grantee reimbursement requests.

The final fund transmittal amount shall be declared in letter format from the DNRC Grant Administrator to the DNRC CITT representative after all grant closeout has been completed.

For this Task Order, the primary contact person for the DNRC will be the State's CITT representative. The primary contact person for the CSKT will be the Tribes' CITT representative.

Except as modified by this Task Order, all terms and conditions of the in-force Master Agreement remain unchanged and in full force and in effect.

The parties through their authorized agents have executed this Task Order on the dates set out below.

**STATE OF MONTANA**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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

**CONFEDERATED SALISH AND KOOTENAI TRIBES**

By: \_\_\_\_\_

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