



**DECISION DOCUMENT and
COST SHARE AGREEMENT**

**Between
UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE
FOREST SERVICE
BEAVERHEAD-DEERLODGE NATIONAL FOREST
and
STATE OF MONTANA
DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION
CENTRAL LAND OFFICE**

This agreement is to document decisions and cost sharing between USFS and MT DNRC as negotiated for the Conrow incident in accordance with the 2017-2021 MONTANA COOPERATIVE WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT AND STAFFORD ACT RESPONSE AGREEMENT 17-FI-11015600-010.

The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility as outlined in the Conrow Fire Decision Document and to describe the cost division.

Incident Information:

Incident Name: **CONROW**
Incident Start Date and Time: 8/24/2017 2230
Origin: T2N: R3W: Section 17
County protection, crossing onto BLM lands under
USFS protection
Acres as of 9/2/17: 2741 acres
Incident Cause: Lightning

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
USFS	MT-BDF-002347 Note: should have been a CES or LG51 # but was decided to keep BDF due to cost share	P1LAF5 (0102)
MT DNRC		877003

DECISIONS and ACTIONS:

- **LEAD ADMINISTRATIVE AGENCY**
Date: 8/25/2017
Decision: USFS will be the lead Administrative Agency



Rationale: Fire's specific point of origin was originally unknown but close to both private and BLM lands under USFS protection. Fire became established and moved rapidly to USFS protection. Management was led by the USFS.

Decision Makers: Dave Sabo, John Huston

Action(s) Taken to Implement Decision:

- Payments will be routed to ASC vs DNRC
- Joint Delegation of Authority
- Joint strategy discussions

Financial Responsibility for Actions: Cost Share percentages will apply

● **INCIDENT ORDER NUMBER MT-BDF**

Date: 8/24/2017 and 8/26/2017

Decision: The incident order number was incorrectly given a MT-BDF number when should have been either MT-CES or MT-LG51 showing point of origin. After the cost share was initiated, we discussed correcting the number but since the cost share is in place, it would not impact financials anyhow, therefore left as is.

Decision Makers: Dave Sabo, Shane Martin, Scott Snelson, Lily Huskey

Action(s) Taken to Implement Decision:

- Lily will note the error on the Firecode validations.

Financial Responsibility for Actions: Cost Share percentages will apply

● **COST SHARE BY ACRES**

Date: 8/26/2017

Decision: Total incident costs will be apportioned on a per acre basis

Rationale: Acres is commensurate with strategy and objectives on the incident

Decision Makers: Dave Sabo, Andy Burgoyne

Action(s) Taken to Implement Decision:

- Cost share breakdown per ownership mapping and percentage split below

Financial Responsibility for Actions: MT DNRC and USFS

COST SHARE:

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 24, 2017

End date/time: End of Incident

Other conditions relative to this agreement:

1. Costs incurred by cooperators not engaged with the host agencies 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.



Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:

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

Attachments:

Fire Perimeter and Land Ownership Map

Original Agreement: Conrow Cost Share #1

Supplemental Agreement: Number _____ Supersedes Agreement # _____ Dated _____

Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest:

420 Barrett Street

Dillon, MT

Signature: _____

Dave Sabo, District Ranger

Date: _____

12/18/2017

MT Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

8001 North Montana

Helena, MT

Signature: _____

Hoyt Richards, Lands Supervisor

Date: _____

6/25/2018



- Each agency will bill for their costs as outlined in the MONTANA COOPERATIVE WILDLAND FIRE MANAGEMENT AND STAFFORD ACT RESPONSE AGREEMENT billing procedures.

Cost Share Methodology:

Costs for this incident will be shared on an agency percentage of total final acres.

Total acres as of 9/2/17: ~~2,741~~ acres
 PVT: 1,429 acres *2727 H.R.*
 BLM: 652 acres
 USFS: 324 acres
 MT: 322 acres

Estimated Agency Apportionment:

- Federal Share: 36%

USFS	12%
BLM (FS protection)	24%

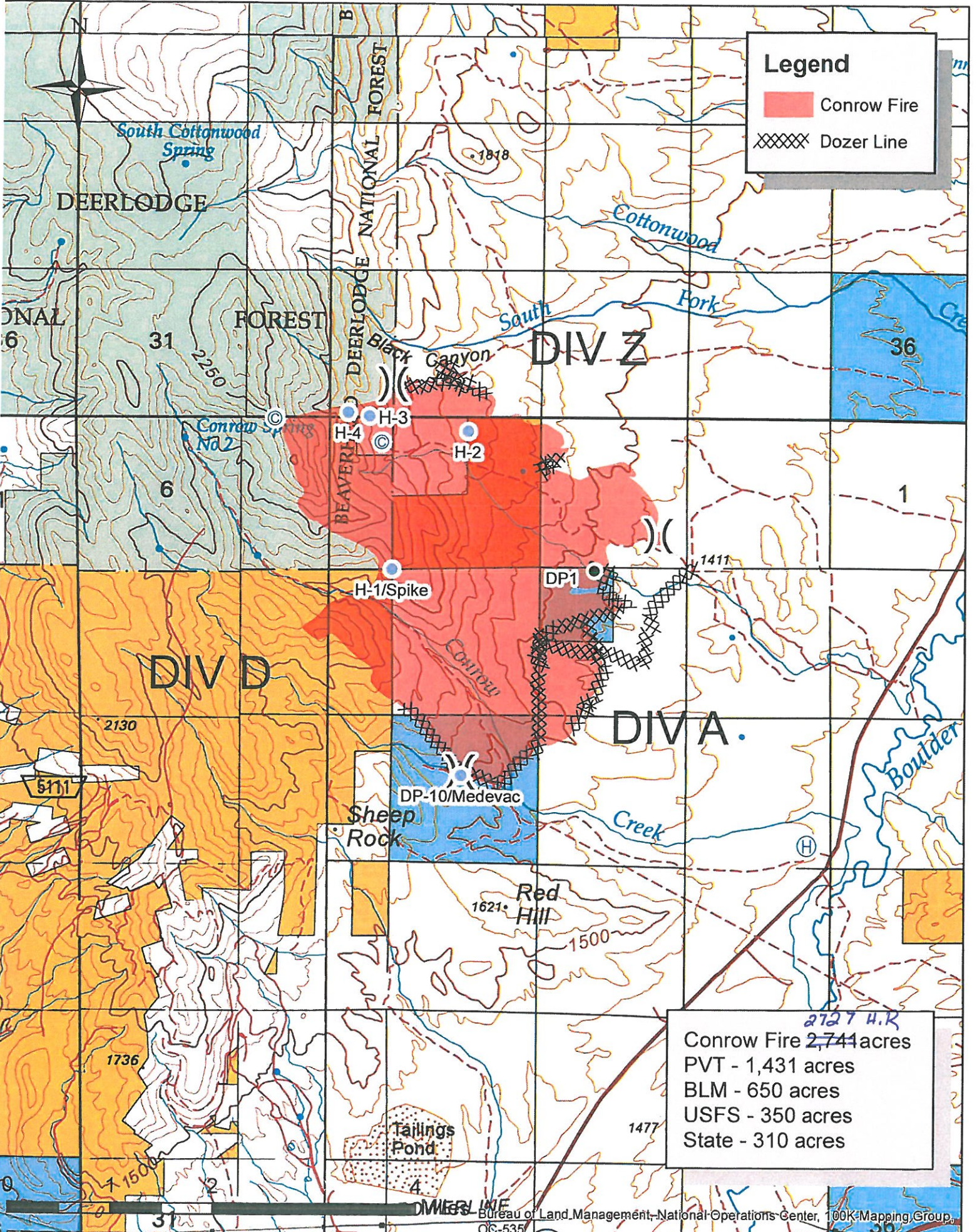
- State Share: 64%

MT DNRC	12%
Private (county protection)	52%

Principal Contacts:

Title:	Name:	Agency:
Agency Administrator	Melany Glossa	USFS – Beaverhead-Deerlodge Forest Supervisor
Agency Representative	Dave Sabo	USFS – Butte - Jefferson District Ranger
	Shane Martin	USFS – Butte - Jefferson AFMO
Agency Administrator	Hoyt Richards	DNRC – Central Land Office
Agency Administrator	Andy Burgoyne	DNRC – Central Land Office
Agency Representative	Jon Huston	DNRC – Central Land Office
Incident Business Advisor(s)	Lily Huskey - IBS	USFS – Central Zone
	Carol Robinson - INBA	
Incident Commander(s)	Tyler Hecht	Nevada Type 3 Team 1

Conrow Fire 9/2/17



Legend

- Conrow Fire
- Dozer Line

Conrow Fire 2,744 acres
 PVT - 1,431 acres
 BLM - 650 acres
 USFS - 350 acres
 State - 310 acres

