



**COST SHARE AGREEMENT**  
Between the  
**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION**  
**NORTHEASTERN LAND OFFICE**  
And the  
**USDI BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**  
**NORTH CENTRAL DISTRICT**

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the Montana Statewide Cooperative Fire Protection Agreement #L17FMA00001/17-FI-11015600-010 executed between the parties on (02/21/2017). The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility as agreed upon and to describe the cost division.

**General Incident Information:**

Incident Name: **Flat Creek**  
Incident Start Date and Time: **08/26/2020 at 14:12**  
Origin: **Private**  
Township: **23N** Range: **14E** Sections: **16,17,20,21,28,  
and 29**  
Estimated Size **600** Acres at the time of this agreement: **547**  
Incident Cause: **Human**

**Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:**

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Incident #</b>	<b>Accounting Code</b>
DNRC	MTLG19-267	880010
BLM	MTLG19-267	NHR1

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

Start date/time: **08/26/2020 14:12**

End date/time: **End of Incident**

**Other conditions relative to this agreement:**

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



6. Each agency (including supporting agencies) will bill for their costs as outlined in the Montana Cooperative Fire Management Agreement billing procedures.

**Protecting Agencies' Strategies:**

Full suppression and perimeter control.

**Cost Share Methodology and Rationale:**

The cost share methodology chosen for this fire will be based on acres burned according to ownership and jurisdiction.

The DNRC is responsible for fire costs on State and Private lands. The BLM is responsible for fire costs on BLM owned land.

Both agencies have similar values at risk and agree on the same protection strategy.

The following is the breakdown of acres burned in the Flat Creek fire:

Private: 258 acres (Approximately 47%)

BLM: 282 acres (Approximately 52%)

State: 7 acres (Approximately 1%)

Total: 547 acres

A map depicting the acres described above is attached.

**Final Agency Apportionment:**

1. Federal Share:

a.	USFS	%
b.	BLM	52%
c.	FWS	%
d.	NPS	%
e.	BIA	%

2. State Share:

a.	MT	48%
b.	ID	%
c.	ND	%
d.	other	%



**Principal Contacts:**

The following personnel are the principal contacts:


<b>Title:</b>	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Agency:</b>
Agency Administrator	Clive Rooney	DNRC
Agency Representative	Brandon Sandau	DNRC
Agency Administrator	Mark Albers	BLM
Agency Representative	Michael Solheim	BLM
Incident Business Advisor(s)	Sarah Lee	BLM
Incident Commander(s)	Rich Hayner	DNRC
Other IMT members as appropriate		



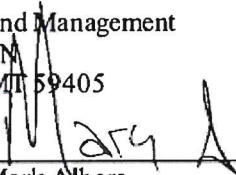
**Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:**

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

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation  
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Lewistown MT 59457

Signature:  Date: 9/21/2020  
Clive Rooney  
NELO Area Manager

Bureau of Land Management  
1220 38th St N  
Great Falls, MT 59405

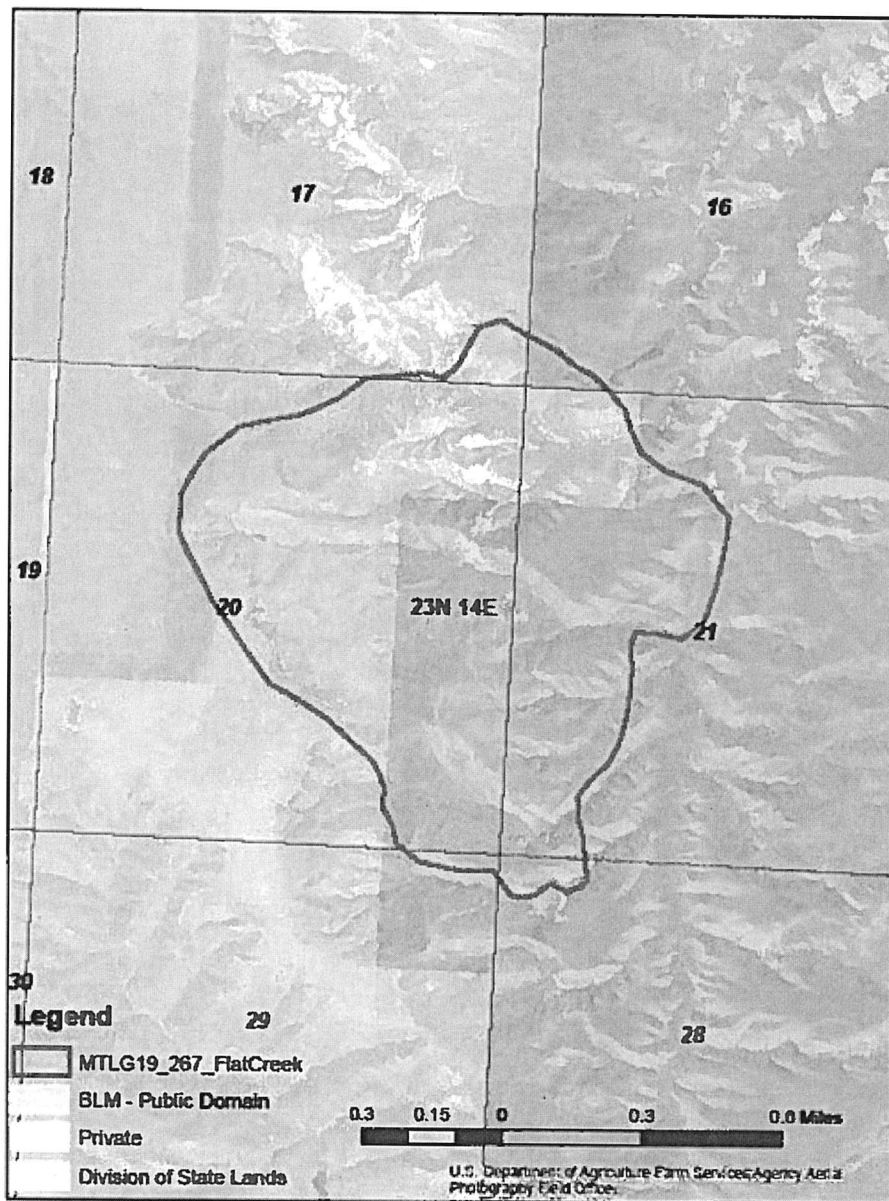
Signature:  Date: 9/17/2020  
Mark Albers  
NCMD Manager

**Addendums to this Document:**

Addendums to this document include:  
Appendix A – Map of Fire Area



MT-LG19-000267 - Flat Creek  
547 Acres



PROPERTY_STATUS	Acres
BLM	282
PV	258
STL	7

