



**COST SHARE AGREEMENT**  
**Between the**  
**USDA Forest Service, REGION 1**  
**And**  
**MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION**  
**And**  
**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS**  
**And**  
**BUREAU OF INDIAN AFFAIRS, ROCKY MOUNTAIN & NORTHWEST REGIONS**  
**And**  
**US FISH & WILDLIFE SERVICE**  
**And**  
**NATIONAL PARK SERVICE**  
**And**  
**BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT**

The purpose of this cost share agreement is to provide for expanded support for the Northern Rockies Coordination Center (NRCC), to allow for the interagency sharing of costs to preposition resources in the Northern Rockies due to “Red Flag” conditions or current activity, or stage resources due to increased activity and/or severity. Following is the cost share agreement between the agencies identified above as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the Idaho and Montana Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Response Agreements.

**General Incident Information:**

Incident Name: 2021 NRG Fire Support

Jurisdictions: USDA Forest Service; Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation; Idaho Department of Lands; DOI Bureau of Indian Affairs, Fish & Wildlife Service, National Park Service and Bureau of Land Management.

Incident Numbers for all Protection Agencies:

<b>Agency</b>	<b>Incident #</b>	<b>Accounting Code</b>
DOI	MT-R01-000002	NT3T
US Forest Service	MT-R01-000002	P1NT3T
MT DNRC	MT-R01-000002	901056
Idaho Department of Lands	MT-R01-000002	

Cost Share Period: 2021 Fire Season

**Other conditions relative to this agreement:**

1. In accordance with the Montana Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement, 17-FI-11015600-010.
2. In accordance with the Idaho Cooperative Fire Protection and Stafford Act Agreement, 16-FI-11015600-042.
3. Each agency will bill for their costs as outlined in the Idaho and Montana Cooperative Fire Protection and Stafford Act Response Agreement billing procedures. Federal agencies do not exchange funds.

**Rationale for Cost Share:**

Resources are added to expand the normal workforce at the Northern Rockies Coordination Center (NRCC) due to increases in workload as the season becomes more active. This is equated to an Expanded Dispatch.

The Northern Rockies Coordination Center Manager (or acting) in coordination with the Northern Rockies Operations Officer will determine when additional resources are needed to help run an effective coordination center based on increased workloads above the standard workforce. This cost share is not to be used to bring the coordination center up to the standard workforce or for detailers filling in for pre-established positions. Examples of resources needed include IR interpreter, Airspace Coordinator, Frequency Coordinator, FBAN, PIO (above normal assistance), MAC Coordinator, MAC Support, IARR, National Guard Liaison, or other desk support (Crew desk, etc.). These resources are not used by other dispatch centers.

Resources may be needed to be prepositioned in the Northern Rockies, extended due to “Red Flag” conditions or current activity, or staged due to increased activity and/or severity. Often decisions must be made quickly to extend or move resources. Resources may be utilized or assigned to any agency across the geographical area. The Northern Rockies Operations Officer (or acting) and the Northern Rockies Coordination Center Manager (or acting) will determine which resources will be able to utilize this code. Examples of use of this code include staging Type 1 crews for later assignment in Northern Rockies, relocating aircraft to the Northern Rockies, or extending daily tours of duty for smokejumpers or aircraft.

The costs will be split utilizing the 10-year average volume of business of the Northern Rockies Coordination Center for orders within the Northern Rockies.

**Final Agency Apportionment:**

- 1. Federal Share:
  - a. USFS – 70%
  - b. BLM – 5%
  - c. FWS – 1%
  - d. NPS – 4%
  - e. BIA – 6%
- 2. State Share:
  - f. MT – 10%
  - g. ID – 4%

**Principal Contacts:**

The following personnel are the principal business contacts:

<b>Title:</b>	<b>Name:</b>	<b>Agency:</b>
Incident Business Coordinator	Tracey Nimlos	USFS
Incident Business Coordinator	Sarah Lee	BLM
Incident Business Coordinator	Amanda Boatright	BIA
Incident Business Coordinator	Wendy Walter	IDL
Incident Business Coordinator	Wanemah Hulett	MT DNRC
NRCC Center Manager	Kathy Pipkin	



**Signatures of Authorized Personnel & Attachments:**

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


Agency: USDA Forest Service  
Director, Fire Aviation and Air

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