



COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
And the
USFS-Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the 2023-2027 Montana Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement (23-FI-11015600-048) executed between the parties on 2/7/2025. The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility and to describe the cost division.

General Incident Information:

Incident Name:	Fleecer Fire	
Incident Start Date and Time:	08/23/2024 15:03	
Origin	45.85375N -112.670189W	County
Township: 1N	Range: 9W	Section: 12
Estimated Size 213	Acres at the time of this agreement: 200	
Incident Cause:	Lightning	

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
Local Government SilverBow	MT-LG01-246469	
Montana DNRC		904510
USFS		R62X

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

Start date/time: 08/23/2024 1503

End date/time: 08/26/2024 0914

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.

**Protecting Agencies' Strategies:**

This fire started on County Protection and burned onto USFS Protection. The fire strategy is full suppression.

Cost Share Methodology and Rationale:

This fire started at 1503 and was contained and controlled by 1959. DNRC and Federal Resources were on scene for first operational period. The County was the only resource after the first operation period. Each agency is responsible for their own costs.

Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Title:	Name:	Agency:
Agency Administrator	Alfred Watson	USFS
Agency Representative	Tim Lahey	USFS
Agency Administrator	Mike O'Herron	MT DNRC
Agency Representative	Craig Hansen	MT DNRC
Incident Business Advisor(s)		
Incident Commander(s)		
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.

Signature: Michael O'Herron Date: 5/8/25
Mike O'Herron
SWLO Area Manager, DNRC

Signature: _____ Date: _____
Alfred Watson, Forest Supervisor
Beaverhead-Deerlodge National Forest