



COST SHARE AGREEMENT
Between the
Between the
USDI Bureau of Land Management
Eastern Montana Dakotas District
And the
Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation
Eastern Land Office

This cost share agreement is between the agencies identified above, as negotiated for the following incident in accordance with the 2023-2027 Statewide Cooperative Fire Management and Stafford Act Agreement executed between the parties on 9/26/2025. The purpose of this agreement is to allocate financial responsibility and to describe the cost division.

General Incident Information:

Incident Name:	Kraft Fire	
Incident Start Date and Time:	09/05/2025 1140 hours	
Origin	USFS	
Township: 7S	Range: 46E	Section: 26
Estimated Size: 1459.8	Acres at the time of this agreement: 1499.8	
Incident Cause:	Human	

Incident Numbers by Protection Agency:

Agency	Incident #	Accounting Code
BLM	MTMCD	S9EQ
MTDNRC	MTMCD	905582

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

Start date/time: 09/05/2025 1140

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 2023-2027 Statewide Cooperative Fire Management Agreement billing procedures.

Protecting Agencies' Strategies:

The strategy for all agencies associated with this incident is full suppression with full perimeter control.

Cost Share Methodology and Rationale:

The percentage of acres burned methodology was chosen for these fires because the values at risk and the effort was equal for all agencies involved. See attached map for incident acreage.

Final Agency Apportionment:

1. Federal Share:

a.	USFS	0%
b.	BLM	55%
c.	FWS	0%
d.	NPS	0%
e.	BIA	0%

2. State Share :

a.	MT	45%
b.	N/A	0%

Principal Contacts:

The following personnel are the principal contacts:

Title:	Name:	Agency:
Agency Administrator	Eric Lepisto	USDI/BLM
Agency Representative		
Agency Administrator	Chris Pileski	MTDNRC
Agency Representative		
Incident Business Advisor(s)		
Incident Commander(s)	Mitch Bloxham	EMDD/BLM Fire
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.

Agency Name: Eastern Montana/Dakotas BLM

Address: 111 Garryowen Road

City, State Zip: Miles City, MT 59301

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Eric Lepisto

Field Manager, Miles City Field Office BLM

Agency Name: Eastern Land Office MT DNRC

Address: 85 Garryowen Road

City, State Zip: Miles City, MT 59301

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Chris Pileski

Area Manager Eastern Land Office MTDNRC

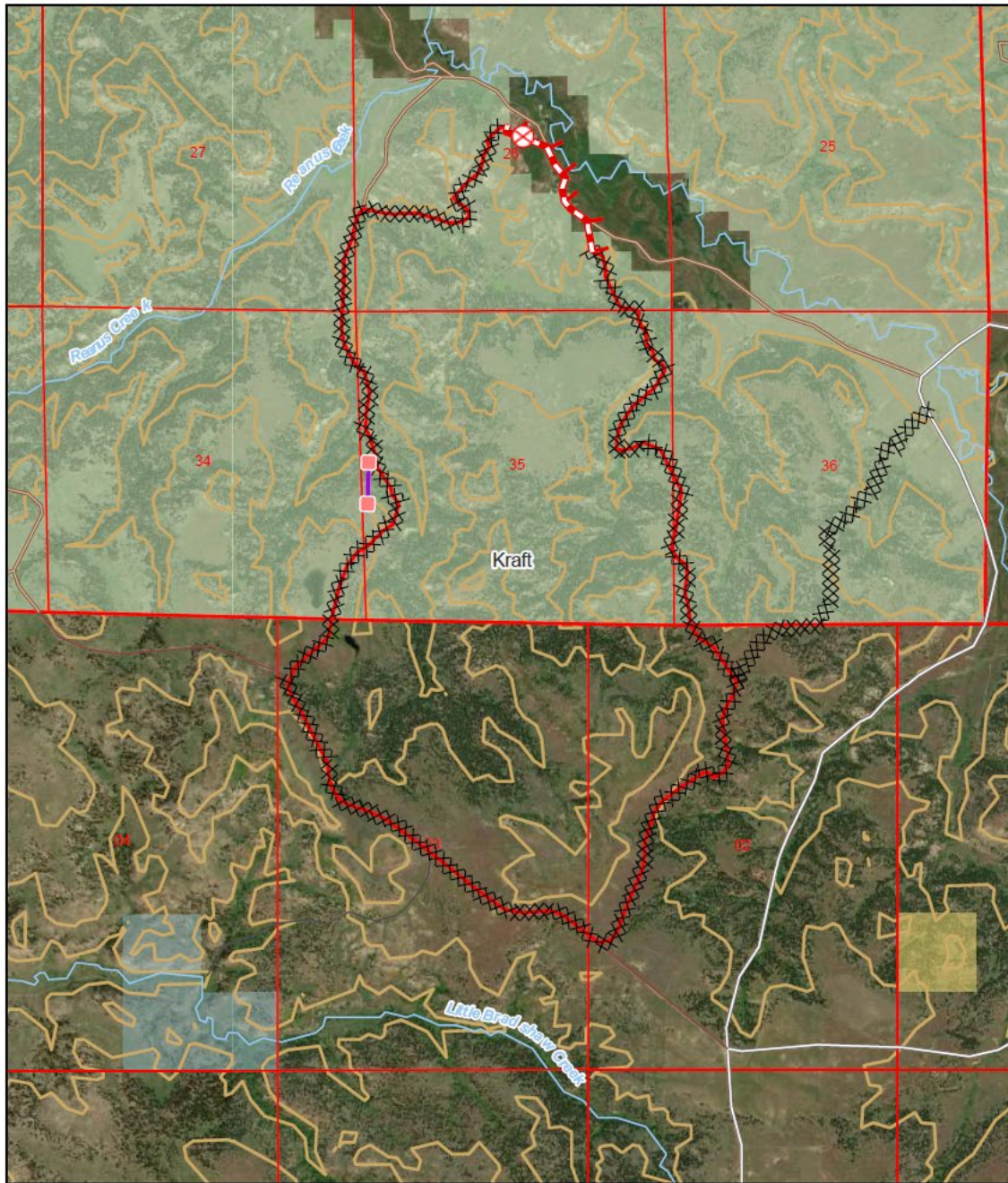
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Appendix A – Map of Fire Area



Kraft



9/26/2025, 10:22:21 AM

Event Point

⊗ Fire Origin

Event Line

■ Retardant Drop

▬ Fire Edge (Field Collection)

⊗⊗⊗ Completed Dozer Line

Event Polygon

▬ Wildfire Perimeter

World Imagery

Low Resolution 15m Imagery

High Resolution 60cm Imagery

High Resolution 30cm Imagery

Citations

9.6m Resolution Metadata



1:38,819
0 0.23 0.45 0.9 mi
0 0.38 0.75 1.5 km

Source: Esri, Maxar, Earthstar Geographics, and the GIS User Community