THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES February 6, 1981

The meeting was called to order on February 6, 1981 at 8:00 a.m. in Room 431 of the Capitol Building. Roll call was taken with all members present.

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES - HEARING

LEO BERRY, ADMINISTRATOR of the Department of Natural Resources, said that the first item on the department's budget is for the forestry division, and the first item relates to the county fire programs. An item by item sheet (EXHIBIT A) was distributed to the subcommittee, also a map that shows the counties involved (EXHIBIT B). MR. BERRY stated that the map in red shows the 9 counties that wish to come into the county fire program, (individual plans from each 9 counties are attached to the original minutes only - submitted to the Historical Society), There has been a fiscal note prepared to this. It is around \$500,000 a year general funded.

BOB ROBINSON said that in the 1977 session they added a county in the western part of the state. In the 1979 session they added the six counties only if federal funds supported them. If the federal funds dropped off and the Legislative Analyst's recommendation is in accordance with the intent of the committee of the 1979 session, then the counties should not be included in this budget.

RICHARD J. SANDMAN, Chief, Fire Management Bureau, Division of Forestry, said that prior to 1970, the counties shown in yellow on the map were added periodically over the years on general fund monies. The FTE and the outrunning costs were funded by general funds and they worked together with the counties on funding the capital portion of that. They collected $2\not e$ per acre. It cost more to collect this than it was bringing in.

In 1976 the Legislature formed a interim committee to study state wide structural and wildfire. The outcome was to do away with the assessment from these counties and to use state monies and the counties can spend their money. They put guards on it saying, if the county does not have an agreement with the state and they have a fire problem in the county, the state has to help them or the county has to reimburse all the state's costs.

Secondly, if a county wants to get into the program, they must prepare a plan that states what the county and state will do. In 1978 and 1979 they had an increase in federal monies that was strictly for projects. It saved the state THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS Page 2 SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES February 6, 1981

\$500,000 suppression costs because of one of those projects. In 1980 and 1981 they looked at their budget and wondered where to project that figure. With the six counties coming it was decided that was where to fund it from. Prior, it was all funded from general funds. Funds have dropped off since then.

THEFOLLOWING TESTIMONIES WERE GIVEN:

DUSTY RHOADES, Montana City Volunteer Fire Dept., Clancy, Mt., said that they have about 10,000 acres. They have only a state fire truck, about 200 families, four businesses and a lot of state land that they have an agreement to take care of. They asked for the subcommittee's support. (EXHIBIT C)

DAVE FISHER of the Montana Volunteer Firemen's Association, testified, stating that these firemen work for nothing, so the least the state and county could give them was the tools to work with, and if they do not, someone is going to have a big bill to pick up.

MR. SANDMAN stated that all they are addressing is the wildfire protection. That they are very close to the structural people. He said that in eastern Montana, rather than the state doing the protection themselves, they work with the counties. They fight fires on state lands, and that costs about 4¢ per acre.

GARY BROWN spoke in favor of supporting the program.

ROBERT MILLER, Beaverhead County, said they would like to participate. The have one county that cannot get a fire district, and the state fire department cooperated with this county, thus the state gets service and the county gets service. They therefore ask for the support of this program.

SENATOR SMITH asked if this grant money was used only for fire fighting equipment, and it was said that this grant money was used strictly for equipment used in firefighting.

DOROTHY MURPHY, represented Ed Murphy of the Chief of the Elk Park fire department, a small community where most people work in Butte. The Butte fire department is reluctant to answer fires in this community. They have a willing volunteer fire department.

LORREY LATTIN, Boulder, Mt., expressed his opposition to the cut. They have state school sections. They only have a state truck. Their district is supported by the free holders THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE JOINT APPROPRIATIONS Page 3 SUBCOMMITTEE ON NATURAL RESOURCES February 6, 1981

in that area and are being taxed separately for this fire truck. If a fire starts on your land and jumps to federal lands you are liable. He asked the subcommittee to think about this in reverse.

JIM MILLER, Whitehall Volunteer fire department, spoke in opposing the cut.

DENNIS BEER, Big Timber Fire Chief, said that they have one fire district which is the entire Sweetgrass County. They are putting in time, money and labor into their county. They have been involved with the state forestry, with grants to build up county equipment in the last three years and have received pumper units for the Sweetgrass County. They have two trucks and they are affiliated with the B.T. fire department. Melville is going to build a fire station and have put up money.

This state program has helped a lot of counties in getting started. He opposes the cut.

OLY OILSTED, County Commissioner of Sweetgrass County, stated the peoples donations and state program is their salvation.

SENATOR BOYLAN referred to a volunteer fire department in Bozeman that watched a fire (home) burn because the people did not pay into that protection.

In answer to the statement, it was said that legally they had a right not to fight the fire, but morally it was wrong. This program and equipment was not for fighting structural fires.

DELBERT BULLOCK, Jefferson County, spoke in opposition of the cut.

FRANK PETORE, from Onasis, Montana, spoke in opposition of cuts.

WILL KISSINGER, Montana City, Mt., stated that this is going to protect state lands too.

DORIS SHEPHERD of Helena, with Montana Association of Counties, stated that this was one state-county system that works and is appreciated by the counties. They are sincere volunteer people.

DICK THRETHEWAY of Butte Silver Bow, spoke opposing the cut.

REPRESENTATIVE STOBLE read a letter from JOHN SHONTZ. Other letters and written testimonies were submitted to the secretary.

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NATURAL RESOURCES - HEARING continued.

LEO BERRY, ADMINISTRATOR, introduced members of his Department; GARY BROWN, Acting State Forester, DON UNDERWOOD, JOHN ARMSTRONG, Administrator of Centralized Services and BILL GOSNELL, Administrator of the Energy Division.

MR. BERRY said that the forestry is the main division and they are having trouble with federal funding in Centralized Services.

BOB ROBINSON asked them to address where the federal funds have gone and what is furnished by the state to pick up.

MR. BERRY said that they have that listed in their presentation.

DON UNDERWOOD said the LFA requests funds that are not available, \$288,000 is part of a modified program.

BOB ROBINSON referred to the 0411 fund and explained their position. \$489,575 was available in 1980. If it is continued in 1982 it would be \$588,000, LFA recommendation, depending on revenue income.

There is 156.9 FTEs as a current level.

LFA said money received in 1980 is programed into FTEs. LEO BERRY said he believed they should break up all of the categories and find their differences and find out what individual analysis are made that will indicate what should be federally funded or state funded.

(SEE EXHIBIT A) presented by DICK SANDMAN. He stated that since 1924, federal money has assisted - Number 2.

It was suggested to fund the fire program from the general fund and when the money comes in to put it back into the general fund. A chart that was given to the subcommittee fo review indicated that fire is high in July.

Number 3 - COMMUNICATION POOL: The return of the mentioned FTE was authorized, but no money was put in for it.

Number 4 - HAZARD REDUCTION PROGRAM: Regarding 1.5 FTEs, inspectors, earmarked funds. Note that TSI and the Brush account has the same problems as does the Hazards as far as emergency.

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JIM WILLIAMS BUDGET ANALYST, commented that the 148 base is the LFA base.

Number 5 - NURSERY OPERATON: The operation is in Missoula. The LFA would not put any modified into here, in other words, an expansion of the existing program. Seedlings will go to grain farmers and ranchers for shelter belts.

Number 6 - OPERATIONS EXPENSES: They believe that the operating expenses are low.

BOB ROBINSON said the Governor's office nor the LFA fully funded this because of vacancy savings.

Number 7 - AIRCRAFT REPAIRS: This shows divisions requests. (Breakdown in Exhibit A, page 2.)

Regarding helicopters, they do have 2 helicopters. They were free military aircrafts and they have been fighting fires with them. According to studies, they have saved the following amounts by using the helicopters.

1979 suppression cost \$296,000
1980 suppression cost \$118,000

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They saved \$68,000 on one fire alone. It was noted that to contract a helicopter would cost \$120,000 a year.

The FTE is on the tanker crews being trained to operate under the helitac crew.

Number 8, refersato equipment and operation. Additional money should be included in equipment under some of the other items talked about.

REPRESENTATIVE MANUEL stated that some of this equipment is so old that parts are even impossible to get.

DICK SANDMAN stated that where some items are existing, they do have an income in some areas they are not allowed to spend

REPRESENTATIVE STOBLE suggested that they look into contracting work out.

Number 9 - URBAN FORESTRY: Urban forestry handles decisions in towns and he works with the cities and towns to control diseases in trees. This program is in the Agriculture Department through Urban Forestry grants.

Number 10 - EXPANDED TIMBER SALES. General fund money have increase sales that goes into School Foundation Account.

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Number 11 - TSI AND BRUSH REMOVAL. If it is not approved, this program will be reduced.

LEO BERRY stated that this summerizes FORESTRY.

The meeting adjourned at 10:45 a.m.

CHRIS STOBIE, CHAIRMAN

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Forestry Division

- 1. The Legislative Fiscal Analyst (LFA) deleted 8.92 FTE from the current level budget. Those consist of 2 foresters, one clerk, 4 mechanics, a part-time pilot and 7 seasonal firefighters (one of these was a lookout). These were started on federal funds, in fiscal year '80. We received approximately \$70,000 less and \$243,000 in '81 than anticipated. In 1980 we made up \$84,000 out of other funds, in '81 we are eating that amount. Through this method 6 counties were added to the program. The method used to add these counties was consistent with the mandates and directions of the Legislature. The problem being that the agency doesn't know until 6-8 months into the fiscal year at what level we will be federally funded. Without these 8.92 positions we will have to drop the six counties and general fund fire suppression costs will increase.
- Funding Sources. Federal and earmarked funds are overestimated in the LFA budget thus reducing the current level general fund. We are short \$961,949 in '82 and \$1,190,601 in '83. We would like to work out these differences with the LFA.
- 3. Several years ago the legislature formed a communications pool and transferred 1 FTE from DNRC to DCA. The pool has disbanded and we request that the FTE be transferred back along with necessary funding. The position shows in current level services in Governor Judge's budget.
- 4. Hazard Reduction Program. This involves 1.5 FTE that were added by budget amendment from earmarked funds to inspect logging operations to reduce fire hazards. These positions show in the current level positions in Governor Judge's budget.
- 5. Nursery Operation. The 1979-80 legislature approved the construction of a greenhouse system and cooler building to grow containerized seedlings. This project is being completed this Spring and we request two additional FTE's. Funding will come from carryover monies from our bareroot operation and money generated from the sale of trees next Spring.
 - 6. Operating Expenses. We believe that the general fund operating expenses are short by \$120,299 in '82 and \$124,666 in '83. The LFA projections are low because the base utilized was unrealistically low and there are differences in inflation factors. Operating expenses were cut in 1980 in order to make up projected vacancy savings that did not materizlize. The additional requested monies would be spread in contracted services, supplies and materials (gas), travel, repair and maintenance and other expenses.

- 7. Aircraft repairs. Aircraft repairs do not occur annually at a constant level due to the number of flying hours experienced each summer. FY 80 expenditures do not show repairs necessary to aircraft during the next biennium. This amounts to general fund dollars of \$63,000 in '82 and \$6,300 in '83. This is itemized as follows:
 - Replace Cessna 182 Engine \$8,000 a)
 - Replace Cessna 185 Engine \$10,000 b)
 - Replace Rotor Blades on Helicopter in '82 \$25,000 Replace Rotor Blades etc. on Ranger in '82 \$20,000 c)
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 - Replace Sleave Assembly on Huey in '83 \$6.300 e)
- Also, we would like to take exception to capital purchases. 8. Historically, the capital equipment budget in all division programs has been far too low to allow for proper replacement schedules.

The Division of Forestry operates and maintains a fleet of 330 motorized vehicles, which include 113 county vehicles. In addition to this, we have 2 graders, 4 dozers and miscellaneous other heavy equipment.

Some of this equipment dates back to 1941 and 1942 vintage. A major item that needs replacing is an Austin-Weston Grader. It was a piece of used equipment when we got it in 1964.

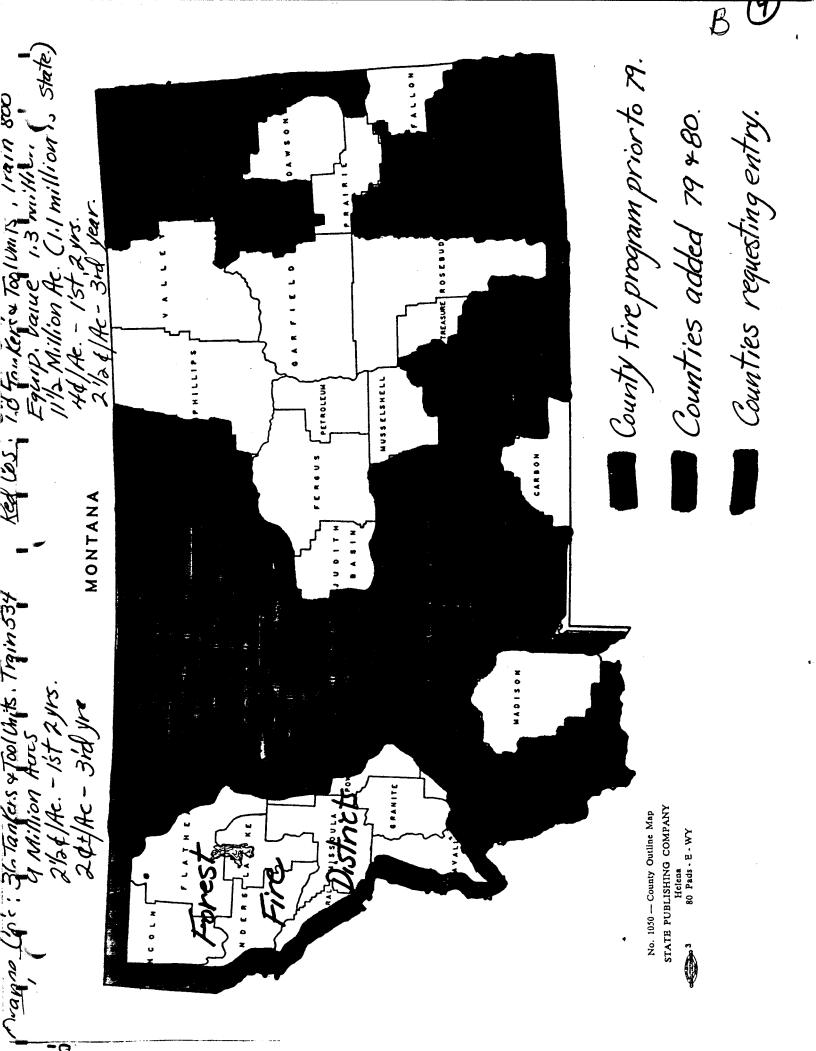
Operating vehicles in this condition not only endangers, limb and property in fire suppression activities, but results in considerable high maintenance cost and costs crew time.

9. Urban Forestry. We request 1.5 FTE's to conduct urban forestry programs with federal funding.

This program provides technical assistance, training, and funding to local governments in urban tree planning, maintenance and improvement.

Demonstrations and training schools are sponsored for city forestry department personnel, cemetery personnel, tree services, land developers and others responsible for maintenance of the community trees.

- 10. Expanded Timber Sales. We request 6 FTE's to expand timber sales or school trust lands which generates revenues for public education. This program will allow us to increase sales from approximately 25 million board feet to 30 million board feet. This request is 5.5 FTE's lower than that submitted by Governor Judge.
- 11. TSI and Brush Removal. We request 13.60 FTE's from earmarked funds from timber sale harvests. This program relates to the increased sale program mentioned above. If that program is not approved this request would be significantly reduced.



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I am representing Ed Murphy, firecheif of the Elk Park Volunteer Fire Dert., A small ranching community where there are many people living, but working in Butte. We are located 10 miles north of Butte onI 15.

Two years ago we heard about the State aid in establishing a fire district, and help with lending ecuipment, in return for us to fight any fires on State owned ground in our area. We then with a tremendous amount of help from Tim Murphy of the State Forest Dept. formed our department with a revamped military fire truck and from other equipment he has made available to us.

Je had a few fires usually small ones, but two which could have been serious. The Butte Fire Dept. is reluctant to ansewer calls in our area because we are in Jefferson County and there are legal set backs for ther. With our own Fire Dept. we are able to establish a mutual agreement with them which enables them to help us, should the fire be greater than our capacity to handle it.

Without the aid of the DNRC our fire department would have been impossable, as we would never have been able to get a fire truck to start with. Now we hope to be able to buy one in the future with some of the money we can receive.

We have moved a building onto some land where our old school house is. The land was given to us by the school district and we use the building to house the truck and equipment we have. The members have taken training and we have already put out a few fires which would have cost property owners alot. One was a barn near a house. Also two fires in the Boulder Valley we helped with. So in effect I'm saying I hope you will continue funding these projects , as I'm sure we are not the only community who have benifited along with the fact that the State does not have to dipatch a crew to every small grass fire or timber fire under their jurisdition which saves noney also. These fires may be stopped sooner as he Fockl men can be on the scene quicker as a rule and hold it down until more alp arrives.

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Thank you very much Edward Murphy

Feb. 5, 1981 Boulder, Montana

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

Several years ago, the Montana legislature passed a law creating rural fire districts statewide. The organnization and funding of these local districts was picked up almost entirely by the taxpayers of those areas, in a majority of the cases adding yet another tax to the rural families that were and are already sorely overburdened, and pay more than their fair share. To alleviate some of the burden we were allowed access to surplus property and entiteled to some matching funds that were funneled through the state division of forestry. As far as the directors and members of the BOULDER RURAL <u>VOLUNTEER</u> FIRE DEPAREMENT are concerned, this aid, both financial and in-kind, has been instrumental in our organization being successful.

There are several hundred acres of state lands that lie within our area of protection, and several thousand acres of national forest lands that we are bound to make at least the initial attack on in the event of a fire. If you take away the funding that has enabled us to have a state wuck placed with us, and the direct grant-type funds, we will be left with the added responsibility of protecting the aforementioned lands and the costs will have to be borne entirely by the taxpayers of the district. This kind of thinking is damned unfair especially when it was you people that legislated us into this position in the first place.n We would urge you to reccommend against this particular cut. Thank you.

> Regards, Boulder Anal Frie Dept, Larrey Latter' Sec-Tolos Baiton A. Cooper Chief Aom Stanner Director Jon Murphy Director Jon Murphy Director His Bad Phes Bad of ductors

DMMISSIONERS:

ucent M. Capp, Chairman, Whitehall Leslie J. Sodorff, Clancy Delbert M. Bullock, Basin

JEFFERSON COUNTY CLERK and RECORDER

Boulder, Montana 59632

JOANNE P. McFARLANE County Clerk and Recorder CARLA MATLACK Deputy

February 4, 1981

TO WHOM IT MAY CONCERN:

The Board of County Commissioners of Jefferson County are of the understanding that Jefferson County is one of the six (6) counties who stand to lose State-Federal Cooperative Funding and use of Federal Surplus property which is under the supervision of the State Department of Natural Resources, Forestry Division.

Jefferson County has (four) 4 Rural Fire Departments whose existance depends upon the current use of these cooperative agreements. These Rural Fire Departments are in large part responsible for the control of fires on State and Federal Forest land. Without this agreement, it will be physically impossible for these rural fire departments to function effectively. We therefore request that funding for these Jefferson County Rural Fire Districts be from the State General Fund as are the other rural fire district in the State.

Yours truly;

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Leslie J. Sodorff, Chairman Board of County Commissioners

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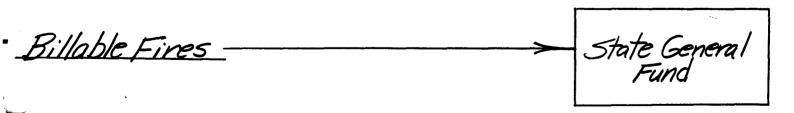
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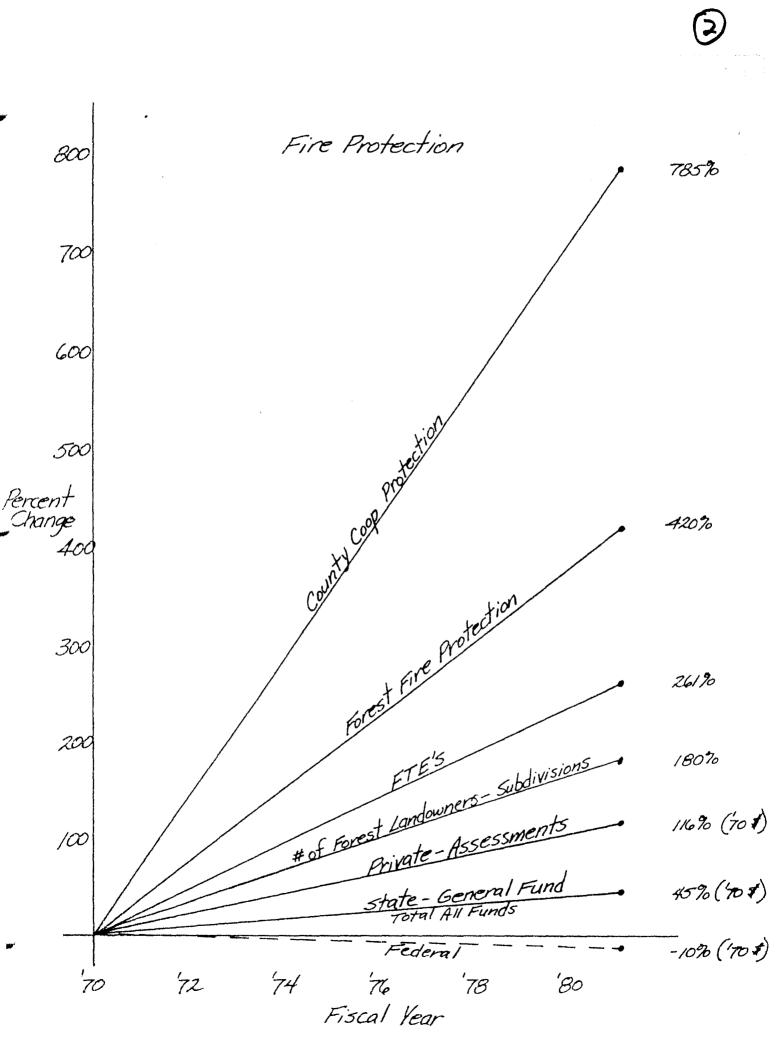
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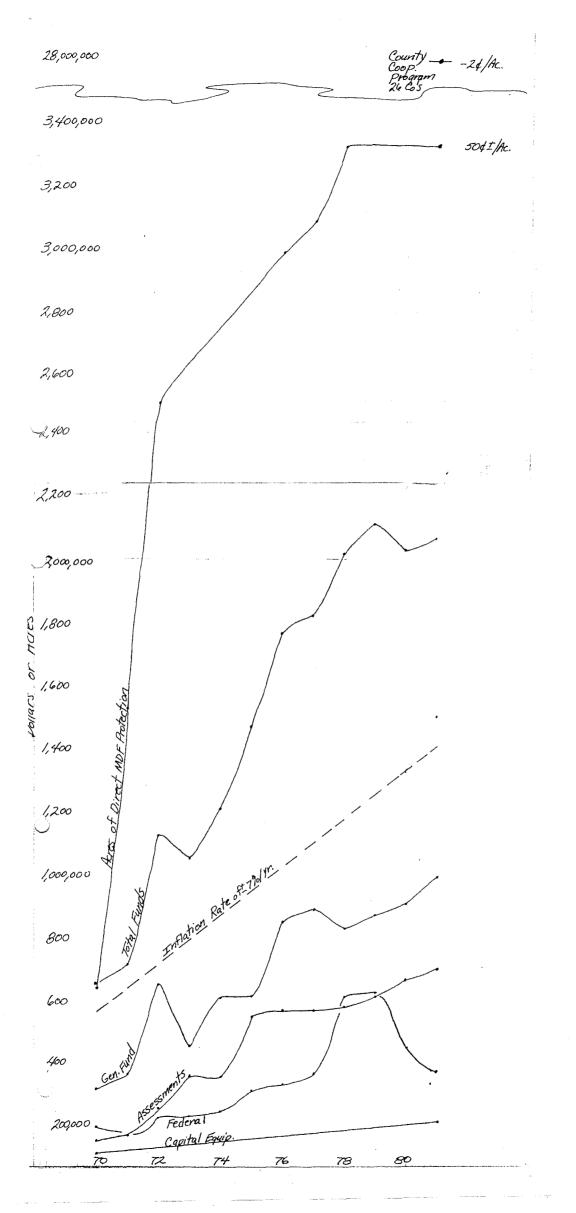
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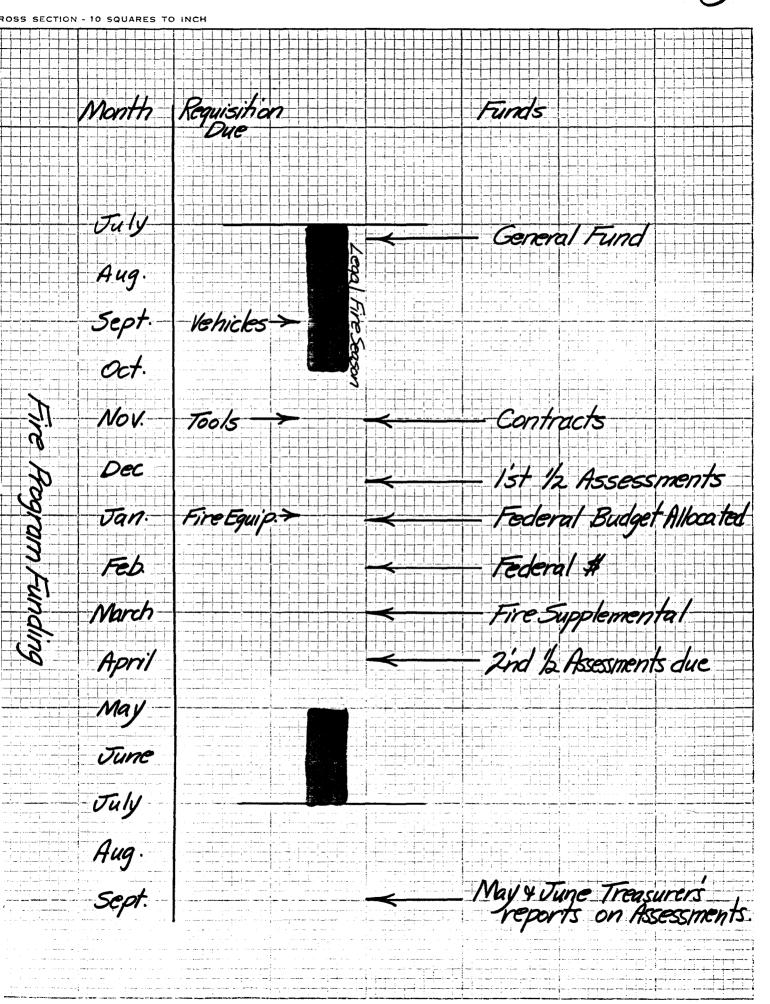
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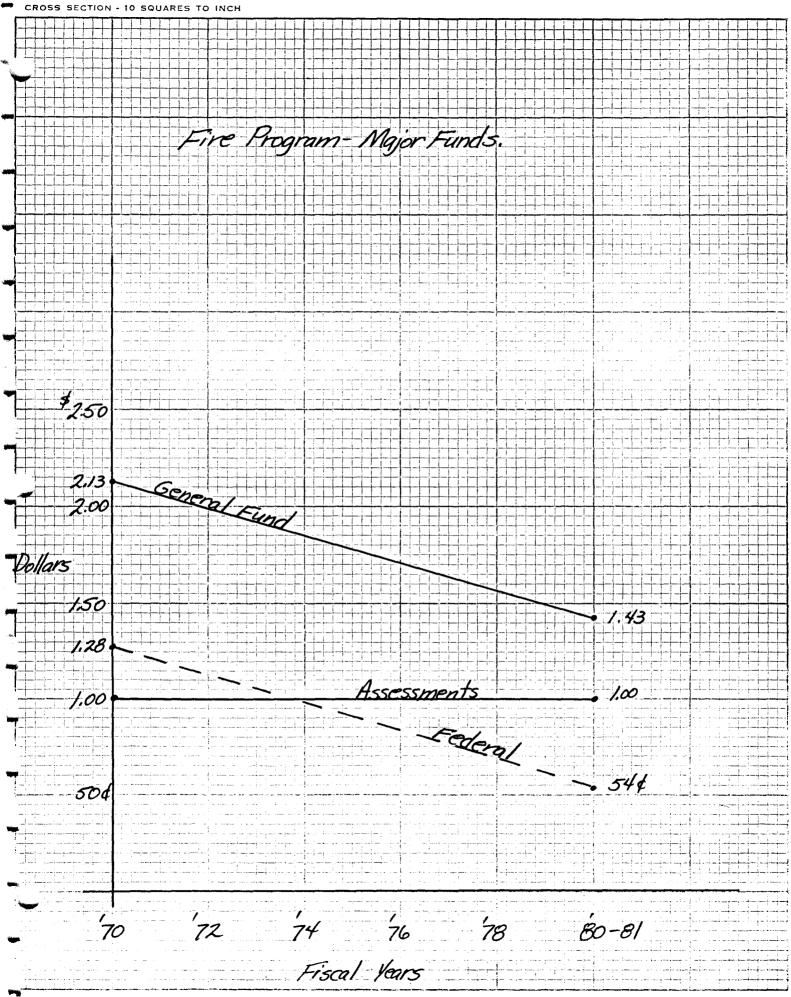


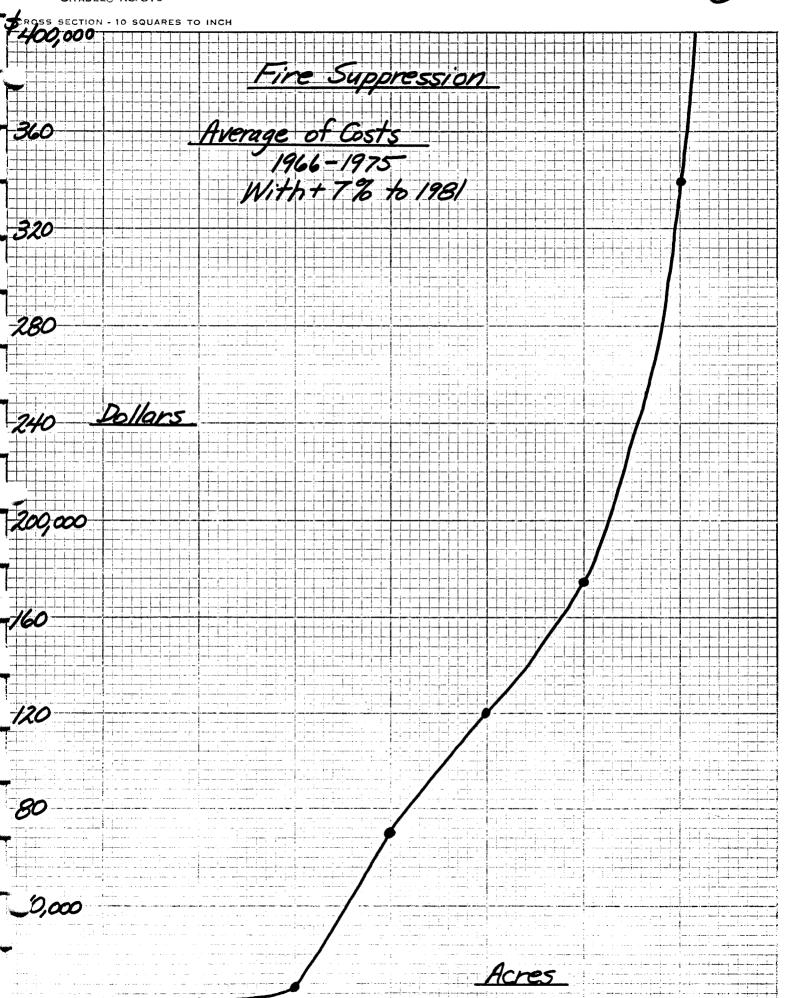




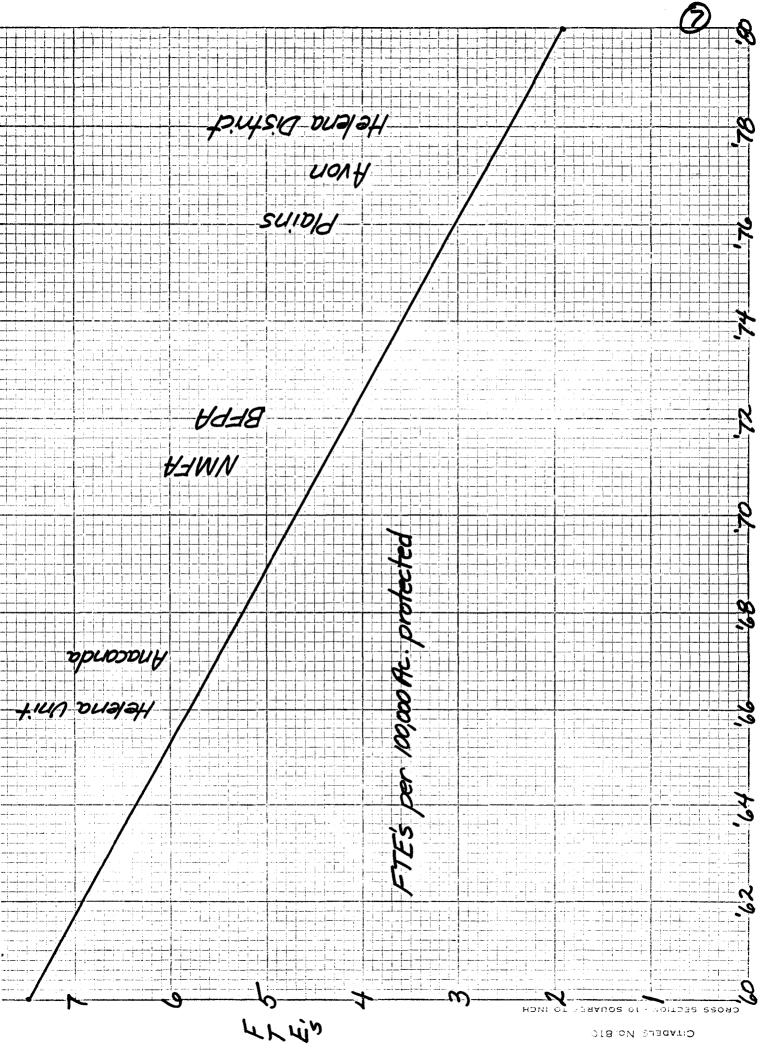








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THE MOST BASIC CONCLUSION REACHED BY THE COMMITTEE IS THAT DIVERSIFIED USES OF STATE LAND, PARTICULARLY RECREATIONAL USE, WILL BECOME PRACTICAL AND ADVISABLE ONLY WHEN THE STATE OF MONTANA

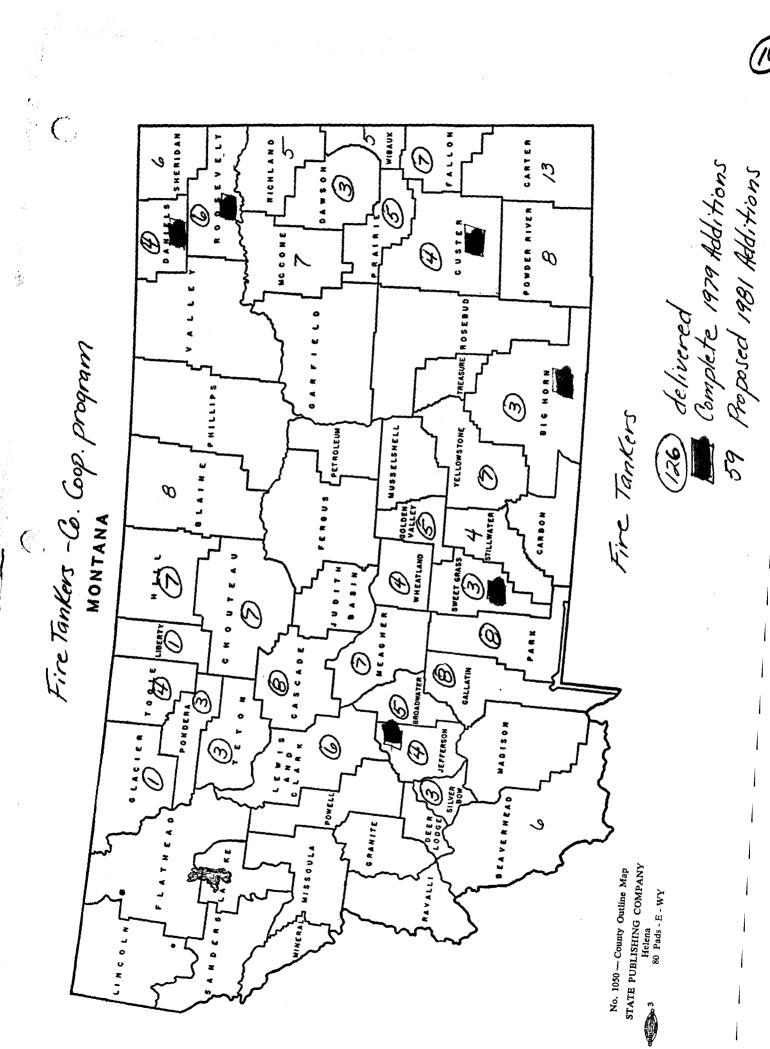
ASSUMES A DIRECT OBLIGATION IN THE MANAGEMENT AND PROTECTION OF THESE LANDS. THE RECOMMENDATIONS OF THE COMMITTEE FOCUS AND HINGE ON THIS POINT.

THE COMMITTEE RECOMMENDS THAT THE STATE OF MONTANA ASSUME THE DIRECT RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE PROTECTION OF ALL STATE-OWNED LANDS FROM DESTRUCTIVE FIRES STARTED BY ANY CAUSE. THE COMMITTEE FURTHER RECOMMENDS THAT SUCH FIRE PROTECTION BE PROVIDED THROUGH AN EXPANSION OF THE EXISTING FACILITIES OF THE BOARD OF FORESTRY, COMPLEMENTED BY A COOPERATIVE PROGRAM WITH THE VARIOUS COUNTIES, SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS, RURAL FIRE DEPARTMENTS AND OTHER AGENCIES OR GROUPS.

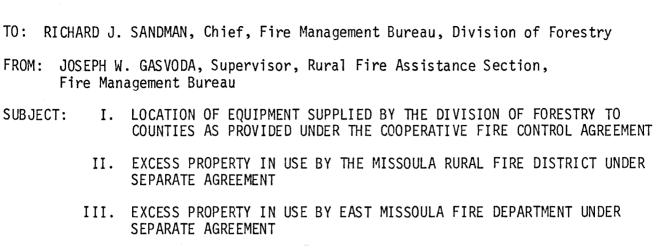
(DIVERSIFIED USES OF STATE LANDS COMMITTEE REPORT--1968)

THE MANAGEMENT OF STATE-OWNED GRAZING AND AGRICULTURAL LANDS HAS RECEIVED A DIFFERENT FORM OF MANAGEMENT. THESE LANDS, EXCEPT IN RARE ISOLATED CASES, DO NOT RECEIVE ADEQUATE ORGANIZED PROTECTION FROM FIRE. THE LEASE REQUIRES THE LESSEE TO PROVIDE FIRE PROTECTION, YET FEW LESSEES HAVE THE TRAINING OR FACILITIES TO PROVIDE ADEQUATE PROTECTION. THE LESSEE STRONGLY FEELS THIS RESPONSIBILITY. HE IS FULLY AWARE THAT THE RECREATING PUBLIC, THROUGH CARELESSNESS, CAN JEOPARDIZE NOT ONLY HIS CROP, HIS PERSONAL PROPERTY, BUT THE NATURAL RESOURCE, AND CONSEQUENTLY, SOME LESSEES REFUSE THE PUBLIC ENTRY.

THE COMMITTEE RECOGNIZES THAT IT WOULD BE IMPRACTICAL AND UNDESIRABLE TO IMPLEMENT ALL OF ITS RECOMMENDATIONS DURING A SINGLE SESSION OF THE LEGISLATURE. AS AN EXAMPLE, THE IMPLEMENTATION OF STATE-WIDE FIRE PROTECTION ALONE WOULD TAKE 6 TO 8 YEARS TO IMPLEMENT IN AN ORDERLY AND DELIBERATE MANNER. HOWEVER, THE COMMITTEE SUGGESTS THAT SIGNIFICANT ACTION CAN BE INITIATED IN PRACTICALLY ALL RECOMMENDATIONS.



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DATE: January 15, 1981

	Item	Location
BEAVERHEAD	COUNTY	
Agreement I	Pending	
3F877	1966 Ward LaFrance Fire Truck	Wise River
BIG HORN CO	DUNTY	
Agreement	signed: 7-1-79	
3F817	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Pryor
3F820	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Lodge Grass
	2- 5 man tool units	
3F823	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 Gal. slip-on unit	Hardin
	1-5 man tool unit	Hardin
BROADWATER	COUNTY	
Agreement	signed 9-11-72	
3F324	1961 International, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Toston
3F353	1952 Willys, ¼ ton Jeep with 75 gal. slip-on unit, also 10 shovels, 10 Pulaskis, 10 headlamps	Winston VFD
3F460	1962 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Duck Creek
	200 gal. slip-on unit with WA7 pump on county truck	Radersburg

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	Item	Location	
BROADWATER COUNTY (Continued)			
	l- 5 man tool unit	Duck Creek	
	2- 10 man tool units	Duck Creek	
3F736	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Townsend	
CASCADE CO	<u>JNTY</u>		
Agreement	signed: 2-10-70		
3F382	1952 Willys, 1/4 ton Jeep with pumper	Neihart	
3F433	1962 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger, with pumper pumper (county equipped)	P. Johnson Ranch E. of Cascade	
3F419	1961 International, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	S of Stockett Gasvoda Ranch	
3F423	1964 Dodge 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit (county equipped)	Misaro Ranch SE of Cascade	
3F740	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	NE of Belt Ken Maki Ranch	
3F432	1963 International, 1000 gal. tanker (county pump & tank)	Sand Coulee	
	200 gal. slip-on unit, WA7 pump	Gibson Flats	
	200 gal. slip-on unit, WGC4 pump	Montana Fire	
3F760	1955 Dorsey Semi-van	Training Service """	
3F694	1961 Int. Trk Tractor	N 11	
	10 man tool unit	Cascade	
	10 man tool unit	Sieben Livestock Ranch	
	10 man tool unit	Vaughn	
	10 man tool unit	Sun River	
	10 man tool unit	Ft. Shaw	
	10 man tool unit	Sand Coulee	
	10 man tool unit	Black Eagle	
	10 man tool unit	Sheriff's office Great Falls	

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	Item	Location
	10 man tool unit	Stockett
	10 man tool unit	Belt
	10 man tool unit	Ulm
CHOUTEAU CO	DUNTY	
Agreement s	igned: 7-13-70	
3F208	$rak{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Big Sandy
3F587	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 3 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Leo Faber Ranch
3F476	1962 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Loma
3F654	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 3 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Carter
3F589	1965 Ford, 4x4, 3 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Highwood
3F710	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Shonkin
3F748	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Elim VFD Cecil Roddy Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Leo Fabor Ranch Big Sandy
	10 man tool unit	Loma
	10 man tool unit	Geraldine
	10 man tool unit	Carter
	2-5 man tool units	Ft. Benton
	10 man tool unit	Highwood
	5 man tool unit	Shonkin VFD Floyd Zanto Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Shonkin VFD Al Rowe Ranch
3F793	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Big Sandy
CUSTER COUN	<u>ITY</u>	
Agreement s	signed: 7-1-79	
3F796	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Miles City
3F813	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Kinsey

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3F852	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit

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1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit

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DANIELS COUNTY

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3F818 1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 g	jal. slip-on unit	Peerless VFD Gary Leibrand Ranch		
3F802 1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 g	al. slip-on unit	Whitetail VFD Scobey		
3F854 1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 g	al. slip-on unit	Flaxville VFD		
10 man tool unit		Scobey		
County owned 1957 Reo 6x6 with State 1000 gal. slip-on unit Scobey				
DAWSON COUNTY				
Agreement signed: 1-8-74				

3F653	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 3 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Bud Stevenson Ranch	
3F707	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Don Moffet Ranch	
3F777	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Mahlsted Ranch	
	1- 200 gal. slip-on unit	Stevenson Ranch	
	2-10 man tool units	County shops	
	10 man tool unit	Lyle Perry Ranch	
	10 man tool unit	Charles Casey Ranch	
FALLON COUNTY			
Agreement signed: 7-19-72			

3F532	1968 Dodge, 4x4, 3 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	McKay Ranch
3F472	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Baker
3F651	1968 Dodge, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Merle Hayden Ranch

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3F529	1953 $\frac{1}{4}$ ton Jeep with 50 gallon slip-on unit	Pete Thielson Ranch
3F471	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Plevna VFD
3F706	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Neuman Ranch
3F779	1967 Kaiser jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Baker FD
3F798	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Baker FD
	200 gal. slip-on unit with WGC4 pump	Plevna FD
	10 man tool unit	Gorden Steen Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Ralph Tunby Ranch

<u>Location</u>

GALLATIN COUNTY

Agreement signed: 11-14-69

3F343	1960 Ford, 1½ ton, 750 gal. tanker	Sourdough
3F401	1960 Ford, 1½ ton, 750 gal. tanker	Fort Ellis
3F403	1951 $\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Fort Ellis
3F473	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Gallatin Gateway
3F113	1952 M-37 Dodge, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Pass Creek
3F656	1951 Reo, 6x6, pumper fire truck	Bridger Canyon
3F421	1953 Dodge, M-37 with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Sedan
3F404	$rac{1}{4}$ ton Jeep trailer with 10 man tool unit	Pass Creek
3F513	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton Jeep trailer with 10 man tool unit	Sedan
3F482	1952 Diamond T with 1,000 gal. tanker	Maudlow
3F646	1962 International Boom Truck	Belgrade
3F715	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Reese Creek
	10 man tool unit	Sedan
	10 man tool unit	Big Sky
	10 man tool unit	Maudlow
	10 man tool unit	Sourdough

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	10 man tool unit	Reese Creek
	10 man tool unit	Brackett Creek
	10 man tool unit	Bozeman (Gallatin County Law & Justice Center)
GLACIER COU	NTY	
Agreement s	igned:	
3F508	1962 Ford, 4x4, with 750 gal. tanker	East Glacier
3F745	1965 Ward LaFrance Fire Truck	Chewing Block Bones Campground
	10 man tool unit	Cut Bank VFD
	10 man tool unit	East Glacier
	5 man tool unit	Chewing Block Bones Campground
GOLDEN VALL	EY COUNTY	
Agreement s	igned 7-23-73	
3F573	1966 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Mercer Ranch
3F689	1965 International 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Lavina
3F643	1964 Dodge, 1 ton, Utility truck with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Erwin Allen Ranch Rygate
3F742	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Paul Van Olnhauser Ranch- Barber
3F797	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Rygate
	5 man tool unit	Erwin Allen Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Rygate
	5 man tool unit	Roy Patte Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Lavina

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HILL COUNTY	<u>/</u>	
Agreement s	signed: 7-13-70	
3F507	1963 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Bear Paw VFD Sargent Ranch Clear Creek
3F522	坛 ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Wildhorse VFD Joe Pruys Ranch N or Havre
3F649	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Wildhorse VFD Joe Pruys Ranch N of Havre
3F356	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 100 gal. pumper	Phalen Ranch
3F652	1960 International Boom Truck	Rudyard
3F708	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Bearpaw VFD S of Havre Ed Molitor Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Bear Paw VFD Gregoire Ranch
3F747	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Bear Paw VFD
	5 man tool unit	Bear Paw VFD Hingham
	10 man tool unit	Hill County Shop
	10 man tool unit	Kiwanis Camp
	5 man tool unit	Phalen Ranch
	200 gal. slip-on unit & 5 man tool'unit	St. Joe VFD Henry Ver Ploegen Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Box Elder
	WGC4 pump & reel & 5 man tool unit	Fred Dusek Ranch
	5 man tool unit	St. Joe VFD
	5 man tool unit	Bear Paw VFD Ed Molitor Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Wildhorse VFD

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JEFFERSON COUNTY			
Agreement signed: 7-1-79			
3F790 1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Whitehall		
3F665 1952 Reo, 6x6, pumper fire truck	Elk Park		
3F795 1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Boulder		
3F816 1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Cardwell Whitehall		
10 man tool unit	Elk Park		
5 man tool unit Whitehall			
5 man tool unit	Boulder		
5 man tool unit	Montana City VFD		
2 man tool unit	Warren Kiss Ranch		
LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY			
Agreement signed: 9-14-72			

3F380	$2\frac{1}{2}$ ton Reo, 6x6, with 1000 gal. unit	Craig
3F486	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Lakeside
3F501	1961 International, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Ardo Nelson's Wolf Creek
3F647	1969 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Canyon Creek
3F657	1952 International, 6x6, with 1000 gal. unit	Helena Sheriff's Office
3F714	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Helena Sheriff's Office
	10 man tool unit	Lakeside
	2-10 man tool units	Wolf Creek
	10 man tool unit	Augusta
	5 man tool unit	West Helena Valley VFD
	10 man tool unit	Birdseye
	5 man tool unit	Dearborn Ranch

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LEWIS & CLA	<u>RK_COUNTY</u> (Cont.)	
	5 man tool unit	Blacktail Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Canyon Creek
	2 man tool unit	MT. Fish, Wildlife and Parks
	10 man tool unit	Helena Sheriff's Office
LIBERTY COU	NTY	
Agreement s	igned: 4-7-70	
3F506	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Bear Den VFD Defoe Ranch N or Chester
	5 man tool unit	Tiber Lake
	5 man tool unit	Orvil Brain Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Defoe Ranch
	5 man tool unit	Joplin
	10 man tool unit	Chester
	5 man tool unit	Demarest Ranch Witlash
MEAGHER COU	NTY	
Agreement s	igned: 4-7-70	
3F484	1964 Dodge, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	White Sulpher Springs
3F687	1968 Dodge, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Checkerboard
3F241	1967 l ton trailer with 400 gal. pumper	Ringling
3F523	1953 M37 Dodge with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Fort Baker
3F642	1964 Dodge Utility, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Martinsdale
3F590	1965 Ford, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Fort Logan
3F588	1965 Ford, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Ringling
	10 man tool unit	Fort Baker
	10 man tool unit	Martinsdale

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PARK COUNTY

Agreement signed: 11-25-70

3F405	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with partial 10 man tool unit	Livingston Rural VFD
3F521	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Wilsall
3F449	1962 Chevrolet with 750 gal. pumper	Clyde Park
3F519	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Springdale
3F737	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Springdale
3F700	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Emigrant
3F357	1/4 Ton Trailer with 100 gal. pumper	Emigrant (Larry Todd Ranch)
	200 gal. slip-on unit with WGC4 pump	Clyde Park
	200 gal. slip-on unit with WA7 pump	Wilsall
	10 man tool unit	Leffingwell Ranch Clyde Park
	10 man tool unit	Livingston Rural VFD Muir Hill Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Goat Mountain Wilsall
	10 man tool unit	S of Springdale
	10 man tool unit	Tom Miner Basin Emigrant
	Filler pump, XP72, Kohler engine	Emigrant

PONDERA COUNTY

Agreement signed: 12-15-70

3F422	1960 Ford, 1½ ton with 750 gal. tanker	Dupuyer
	500 gal. slip-on unit with WGC4 pump	E of Conrad
3F835	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Brady
	3- 10 man tool units	Dupuyer
	5 man tool unit	Brady
	5 man tool unit	Valier

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POWELL COUL	<u>NTY</u>	
3F286	1952 International with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Under separate agreement
PRAIRIE CO	UNTY	
Agreement	signed: 10-16-72	
	GMC, 6x6, with 1000 gal. pumper truck furnished by Civil Defense, WGC4 pump, hose, reel, etc. furnished by Division of Forestry	Cherry Creek
3F463	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Dave Strobel Ranch
3F686	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Terry Grue Ranch
3F746	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Mathiason Ranch Mildred
	200 gal. slip-on unit with WA7 pump	Fallon FD
	10 man tool unit	Fallon FD
	10 man tool unit	Mathiason Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Roos Ranch
	10 man tool unit	Reukauf Ranch
3F799	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Grist Ranch
ROOSEVELT	COUNTY	
Agreement	signed: 7-1-79	
3F735	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	E of Froid Duane Sundvold
3F814	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	N of Poplar Mineral Bench
3F815	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	N or Wolf Point Alvin Schaguman Ranch
3F834	1968 """"""""	S of Bainville Mineral Ranch
3F832	1967 " " " " " "	N of Wolf Point Bob Kauth Farm)
3F850	1967 """""	NW of Culbertson B. Wolff Ranch

N of Wolf Point

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	SILVERBOW C	OUNTY	
	Agreement s	igned: 4-13-70	
	3F446	1953 International with 1000 gal. tanker	Silverbow Airport
	3F458	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Melrose
	3F487	1964 Dodge, Utility, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Silverbow Airport
	SWEET GRASS	COUNTY	
		igned: 7-1-79	
	3F819	1968 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Big Timber
	3F822	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Melville
		2- 5 man tool units	
	3F851	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Reedpoint
		l- 5 man tool unit	Reedpoint
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Agreement signed:			
	3F741	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Power
		500 gal. slip-on unit with WGC4 pump	Choteau
		200 gal. slip-on unit with WGC4 pump	Fairfield
		10 man tool unit	Fairfield
		10 man tool unit	Choteau
		5 man tool unit	Hutterite Colony West of Choteau
	TOOLE COUNT	<u>Y</u>	
	Agreement s	igned: 11-25-70	
	3F152	1953 Dodge, M37, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Ledger
	3F618	1965 Ford, 4x4, 3 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Sunburst
	3F794	1969 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Shelby
	3F452	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 5 man tool unit	Shelby
		2- 5 man tool units	Shelby

10 man tool unit

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Sunburst

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WHEATLAND COUNTY

Agreement signed: 7-9-69

3F325	1962 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Judith Gap	
3F660	1964 Dodge, 4x4, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Shawmut	
3F488	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 pass. with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Harlowtown	
	200 gal. slip-on unit	Two Dot	
Portable Filler Pump		Harlowtown	
	2-10 man tool units	Harlowtown	
	10 man tool unit	Two Dot	
	10 man tool unit	Judith Gap	
	5 man tool unit	Shawmut	
	5 man tool unit	American Fork Ranch	

YELLOWSTONE COUNTY

Agreement signed: 7-19-73

3F650	1964 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Custer FD
3F504	1963 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Shepherd FD
3F655	1966 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Bar Diamond Ranch Unit #2
3F178	1953 Dodge, M-37, with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Talcott Ranch
3F505	1965 Dodge, 4x4, 6 passenger with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Worden FD
3F207	$\frac{1}{4}$ ton trailer with 10 man tool unit	Don Warfield Ranch
3F744	1967 Kaiser Jeep with 200 gal. slip-on unit	Blue Creek Fire Dist.
3F762	½ ton trailer (Burn out trailer)	SE Area Office
3F528	1962 International, 5 ton, truck tractor	SE Area Office
3F534	100 man fire cache van	SE Area Office
	200 gal. slip-on unit with WA7 pump	Yellowstone Boys Ranch

Item	Location
Pump with Wisconsin engine	Broadview FD
10 man tool unit	Laurel
10 man tool unit	High Duke Ranch
2- 10 man tool units	Shepherd VFD
10 man tool unit	Custer
10 man tool unit	Worden
10 man tool unit	P.K. Ranch
10 man tool unit	Broadview
10 man tool unit	Bar Diamond Ranch #2
10 man tool unit	Yellowstone Boys Ranch
10 man tool unit	Patterson Ranch
10 man tool unit	Mike Larrabee Residence
10 man tool unit	Gary Roam Residence
10 man tool unit	Schultz Ranch
10 man tool unit	Weldon Ranch
Partial tool unit	1122 Moon Valley Drive, Billings

II. Excess property in use by Missoula Rural Fire District under separate agreement:

- 3F431 1960 IHC Spray Cleaning Truck
- 3F497 1954 Ward LeFranc Fire Truck

III. Excess property in use by East Missoula Fire Department under separate agreement:

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3F693 1962 Dodge Van

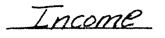
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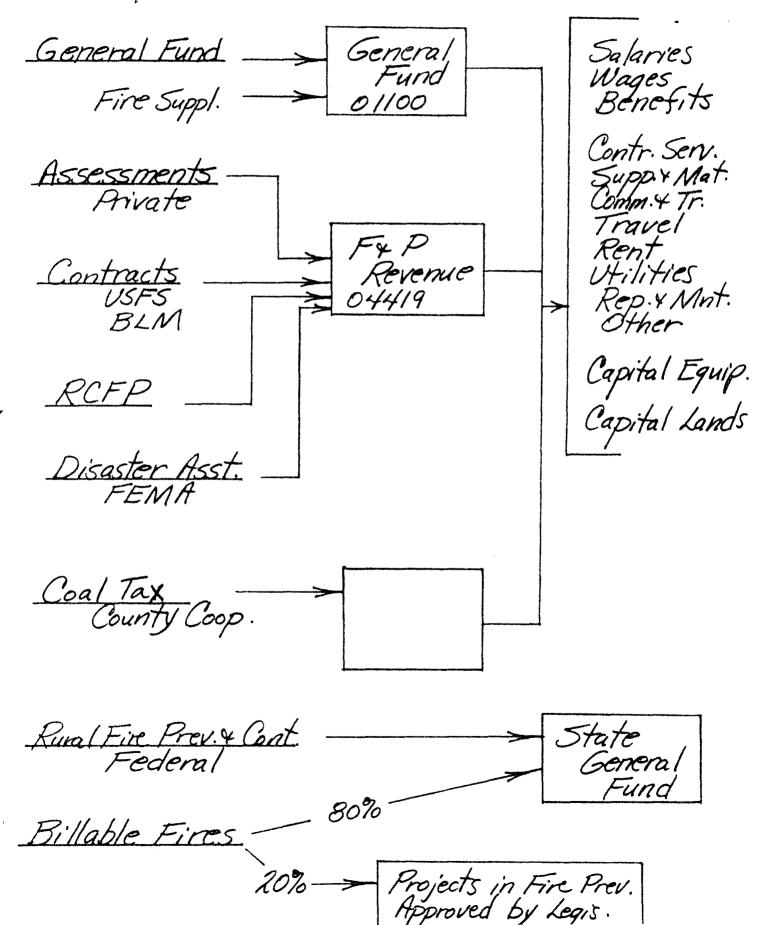
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Proposed Funding Fire Program



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MONTANA STATE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Committees: Appropriations, Highways & Transportation

February 5, 1981

Representative Chris Stobie, Chairman Appropriations Subcommittee on Natural Resources House of Representatives Capitol Building Helena, Montana 59620

Dear Representative Stobie:

Since another meeting precludes my presence this morning, I would ask the Subcommittee to consider adequately funding the rural fire program in Montana. The state's continued aquisition of surplus trucks and fitting them for fire fighting purposes is commendable.

Using local people as firefighters and having counties service the vehicles makes great sense when protecting state owned lands in Montana.

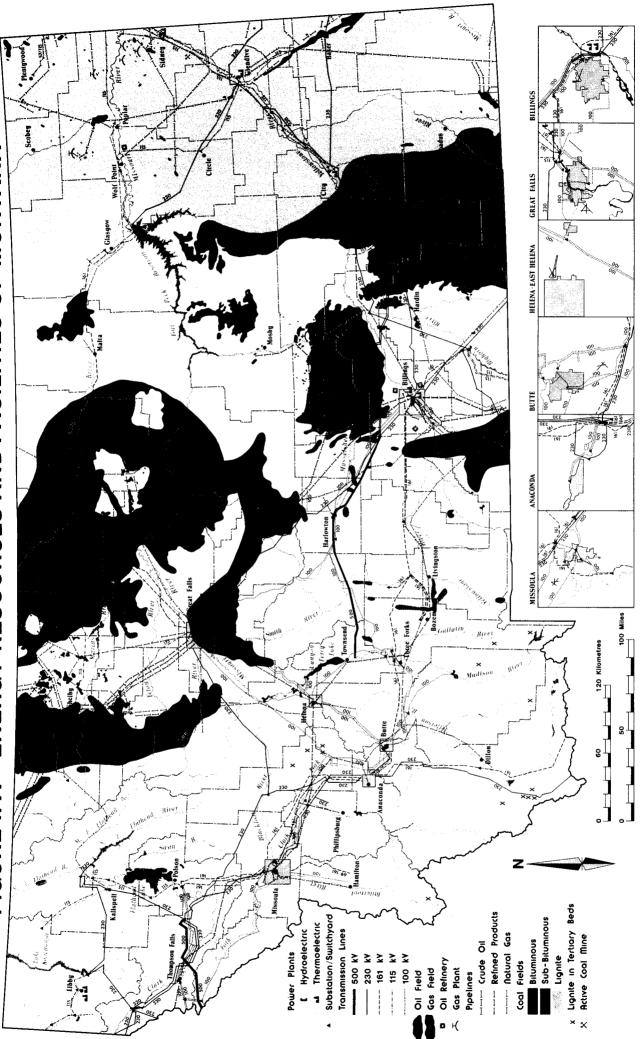
State lands subject to fire are widespread throughout Eastern Montana. This program assures fire protection for the lands at the lowest possible cost.

Thank you.

John M Shontz

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