

# Neighbors in Need: Relief, Recovery and Support

#BridgerHelp

# Montana Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Resources

Can provide technical assistance to forest landowners regarding current and future forest management objectives depending on fire occurrence and severity.

Chuck Baron, Forestry Division - Service Forester, Bozeman Unit; Can provide resources for area contractors who specialize in forest management (406) 556-4506; <u>cbarone@mt.gov</u>

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Kristin Sleeper, Forestry Division Program Manager, Prevention and Preparedness (406) 210-8122; <u>Kristin.Sleeper@mt.gov</u>

Laurie Zeller, Conservation and Resource Development Division. May have technical and financial assistance available through local county-level conservation districts. (406) 444-6669; <u>Izeller@mt.gov</u>

#### **Montana State University Extension**

May have potential grant funding and information on forestry resources Domonique Woodham (406) 582-3281; <u>dominique.woodham@montana.edu</u>

# Montana Disaster and Emergency Service (DES)

Offers FEMA grant funding which may address post-fire recovery opportunities when FMAG is declared for wildfire incident. Sara Hartley, <u>Sara.Hartley@mt.gov</u>; (406) 324-4794





### USDA Farm Service Agency, Bozeman

Usually offers post-wildfire recovery financial assistance to landowners impacted by wildfire

- (406) 522-4000 ext 2
- Shanan Smiley, Conservation Program Specialist, Montana State FSA Office (406) 587-6881; shanan.smiley@usda.gov

# **USDA Natural Resource Conservation Service, Bozeman**

Can provide natural resource related technical assistance to landowners. May have financial assistance programs available to offset recovery/restoration costs and fire prevention (stockwater, weeds, forest health). Administer the Watershed Protection Program that may be able to assist with securing remaining infrastructure. Offer resource conservation planning to landowners to mitigate fire impacts.

Christopher Mahony, District Conservationist christopher.mahony@usda.gov; 406-522-4012

Additional resources offered from NRCS: <a href="https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/mt/plantsanimals/nrcseprd1340465/">https://www.nrcs.usda.gov/wps/portal/nrcs/mt/plantsanimals/nrcseprd1340465/</a>

# **Gallatin County Conservation District**

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# Web resources for post-fire recovery information

https://afterthefirewa.org/2014/07/11/after-the-fire-toolkit-now-available/ https://afterwildfirenm.org/

Fire Adapted Montana Learning Network: <u>https://www.fireadaptedmontana.org/</u> Montana DNRC Fire Protection Bureau, Prevention and Preparedness Program: <u>http://dnrc.mt.gov/divisions/forestry/fire-and-aviation/fire-prevention-and-preparedness</u>

After Wildfire: Information for Landowners Coping with the Aftermath of Wildfire <a href="https://www.readygallatin.com/download/website/handouts/wildfire/4455.pdf">https://www.readygallatin.com/download/website/handouts/wildfire/4455.pdf</a>

Managing Weeds After Wildfire <u>http://msuinvasiveplants.org/documents/publications/extension\_publications/Managing%20weeds%20</u> <u>after%20wildfire.pdf</u>