Powell County

Wildland Fire Annual Operating Plan

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BACKGROUND:

Powell County gained entry to the Montana County Cooperative Firefighting Program by action of the 1993 Legislature. General information concerning fire programs in Powell County may be obtained from the Powell County Fire Management Plan. Powell County created a fire council in 1992 made up from delegates from each fire department in the county and the county fire warden. The fire council deals with fire protection issues in the county and provides coordination and cooperation among the fire departments within the county. The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation maintains an advisory presence with the council.

The responsibility for initiating review, recording updates, and dissemination of draft and final copies of this operating plan rests with the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Anaconda Unit. This operating plan should be reviewed annually and updated as necessary.

PURPOSE:

The purpose of this operating plan is to help provide coordination and cooperation among wildland fire agencies in Powell County. This plan will define operating procedures between Powell County and the Department of Natural resources and Conservation (DNRC). It will also, outline the procedures for requesting assistance on wildland fires.

I. County Organization:

A. Powell County Commission

Powell County has a county commission form of government with three elected commissioners, who elect a commission chair as the Chief Executive of the County. Earl Hall has been appointed by the commissioners to the post of county fire warden. On the North end of Powell County, Bill Baker has accepted the position of deputy county fire warden.

Currently Powell County has one municipal fire department, nine rural fire districts (including Valley Fire District on the west end of the county which is associated with Drummond/Granite County).There are no fire service areas. The Powell County Fire Council, with delegates from each of the departments, was formed to address fire protection issues. Specifically, those districts/departments are: Avon Volunteer Fire District (AVFD), Deer Lodge City Fire Department (DLCFD), Deer Lodge Rural Fire District (DLFD- managed under contract with DLFCD), Elliston Fire District (ERD), Garrison Fire District (GFD), Helmville Fire District (HFD), Ovando Fire District (OFD),

Racetrack Fire District (RFD), Rock Creek Cattle Company Fire District (RCCCFD), and Valley Fire District (VFD).

B. Powell County Division

Powell County has traditionally considered itself to be comprised of two areas, North Powell County and South Powell County. Coincidentally, the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation administrative unit boundaries coincide with this division. For the purposes of this operating plan, the term North Powell County refers to those parts of the county administered by the Helmville & Ovando Rural Fire Districts and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation's Clearwater Unit & Lincoln Initial Attack Station.

The term South Powell County refers to those parts of the county administered by the Avon, Garrison, Elliston, Racetrack, Rock Creek Cattle and Valley Rural Fire Districts, the Deer Lodge City Fire Department/DLRFD and the Department of Natural Resources and Conservation's Anaconda Unit & Garrison Initial Attack Station.

II. FIRE PREVENTION PLAN

A. Public Education Measures

The Department of Natural Resources and Conservation will continue existing programs within Powell County. These include visits to area schools with Smokey Bear to provide a fire prevention message to young children. The DNRC will display and maintain fire prevention posters on area roads, submit periodic news releases on fire danger, conduct fire prevention patrols by seasonal fire crews, and help administer the Keep Montana Green Poster contest in local schools.

County fire departments will continue any existing fire prevention programs within the county. The Powell County Fire Council should become a forum for coordination of prevention programs within the county. The fire council should work with the county planning board to address any fire-related issues that may arise in rural development areas or subdivisions.

B. Burning Permits and Enforcement

Powell County requires a burning permit for open burning on all grounds within the county (Ordinance No. 8-95). Beginning March 1st 2013, all Powell County burn permits will be available online at https://app.mt.gov/burnpermit/. The County Burn Permit Service allows citizens to purchase and activate burn permits for valid addresses within the county. You may also purchase a burn permit in person by visiting the following locations:

- Powell County Planning Office
  Powell County Courthouse
  409 Missouri Ave, Suite 101
- Race Track Valley Fire District
  6887 South Frontage Road
- Ovando Fire Department
  700 Pine Street

Burning permits are required from March 1st through November 30th each year. The Powell County Sheriff will handle any enforcement issues that arise from any illegal burning.

C. Restrictions and Closures

All parties to this agreement shall notify the others of their intent to institute, modify or remove restrictions and closures. All conditions of restrictions and closures must be communicated to the other parties and done in coordination with the Northern Rockies Coordinating Group's closures and restrictions.

D. Fire Cause Investigation

It is the primary responsibility of the agency whose protection area where the fire originates to investigate the cause of the fire. This does not preclude joint initial attack action. In those instances when initial suppression actions are made on another agency's protection area, the initial attack force will immediately attempt to gather and/or preserve evidence pertinent to the cause of the fire.

III. TRAINING

All parties to this operating plan agree to share training opportunities, including trainers, materials and support. All local training that is multi-agency in nature and sponsored by one of the parties to this agreement will be coordinated with and made available to all other agencies. Agencies may utilize the expertise of individuals for opportunities or sessions, and the receiving agency may reimburse the other for travel and associated costs, if such costs are deemed necessary by both parties. Agencies may agree to utilize

specific specialized training equipment or technology at a rate mutually agreed to by all parties.

Through the State/County Cooperative Fire Control Agreement, DNRC may provide wildland training session to the cooperators each year. The cooperators may need to pay for training materials for such training sessions. Requests for training should be coordinated by the county fire warden or deputy fire warden. Requests for training for South Powell County should go to Anaconda Unit and requests for training in North Powell County should go to Clearwater Unit.

IV. PRESUPPRESSION:

A. Equipment

See (**APPENDIX C**) for equipment listing of the parties to this agreement. Each agency agrees to provide annual updates to the equipment list.

DNRC will continue to loan minor fire equipment and supplies (personal protective equipment, hose, hand tools, etc.) to cooperators if such equipment is available. The Anaconda and Clearwater Units, through the Federal Excess Property Program procure most items.
DNRC presently has loaned three major pieces of equipment to Powell County. The equipment is loaned for the purpose of wildland fire suppression but may be used on any fire incident. DNRC will not loan any additional major equipment to the county. All regular maintenance and repairs to the equipment is the responsibility of the cooperators.

Cooperator's equipment shall be inspected and have rental agreements signed prior to reimbursable use by either the DNRC or USFS. Hiring of personnel will be done by the DNRC. **DNRC may pay for operating costs on loaned equipment but shall not pay rental for use of loaned equipment.**

B. Facilities

Each agency shall make their facilities available upon reasonable request for use as a meeting site or training facility. Use of agencies facilities for storage of fire apparatus shall be negotiated between agencies and covered by proper agreements.

V. DETECTION and REPORTING:

An agency that detects or receives a report of a fire that is determined to be on or near land that is protected by another agency will immediately notify the other agency of the fire. Notification shall be to the appropriate dispatch office (**SEE APPENDIX A**).

Dispatch Centers That Have Wildland Protection In Powell County

Cooperators:	Powell County 911 Dispatch Center
DNRC	Anaconda Unit Office or Garrison Initial Attack Station
	Clearwater Unit Office or Lincoln initial Attack Station
USFS	Dillon Interagency Dispatch Center
	Helena Interagency Dispatch Center
	Flathead Interagency Dispatch Center
	Missoula Dispatch Center

A. Powell County 911 Center

The 911 Dispatch Center is responsible for dispatching all County Fire Departments to initial attack fires. Fire Departments receiving first hand fire reports will relay the information to the 911 Center who in turn will notify the agency responsible.

B. Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

Each of the four offices (Anaconda, Garrison, Clearwater & Lincoln) provide initial and extended attack dispatching for fires in their respective protection areas. Fire reports may be relayed to any DNRC office. However, direct relay to the office with protection responsibility for the fire area is more efficient and less time consuming. Reports of fires relayed to any DNRC office will be passed on to Powell County 911 dispatch.

C. USFS Beaverhead/Deerlodge National Forest

Fires occurring on the Beaverhead/Deerlodge National Forest protection area are dispatched by the Dillon Interagency Dispatch Center.

D. USFS Helena National Forest

Fires occurring on the Helena National Forest protection area are dispatched by the Helena Interagency Fire Desk.

E. USFS Lolo National Forest

Fires occurring on the Lolo National Forest protection area are dispatched by the Missoula Dispatch Center (MDC) in Missoula.

F. USFS Flathead National Forest

Fires occurring on the Flathead National Forest are dispatched by the Flathead Interagency Dispatch Center.

VI. COMMUNICATIONS:

A. Radio Communication

By the terms of this agreement, each party agrees to permit the others to utilize their radio frequencies when providing assistance for emergency or wildland fire response purposes. See (**APPENDIX B**) for a frequency list for each party to this agreement.

When an initial response involves only Powell County Cooperator resources, the county resources will use the county's assigned fire frequency (154.250). When a fire involves only the DNRC, the direct or repeater frequency assigned to the dispatch center that has the protection responsibility will be used (see **Appendix B**). When a fire only involves the USFS the frequency assigned to the Interagency Dispatch Center for that protection area will be used.

When a fire involves more than one agency, all responding resources should use the RED channel (154.070) for initial contact and further radio traffic on the incident. An incident that expands into a more complex organization will require a more involved communications plan. The State of Montana Mutual Aid and Common Frequencies Manual should be used as a guide by the agency or incident commander responsible in developing a communications plan for the incident.

All DNRC, USFS, and Powell County frequencies are narrowband as of 1/1/2013.

B. Telephones/Pagers/Cell Phone

By the terms of this agreement, each party agrees to keep the fire call list (**APPENDIX A**) updated with any changes or additions.

VII. SUPPRESSION:

The goal of the State-County Cooperative Fire Control Program is for DNRC to provide assistance in organizing, training, and equipping the firefighting forces of Powell County so the county will be more capable of meeting its wildland fire control responsibilities. Furthermore, DNRC will provide support to Powell County when the fire exceeds the county's firefighting capabilities. Assistance and support may be provided at no direct cost to the county.

A. Protection Areas

Through the State/County Cooperative Fire Control Agreement, Powell County provides protection to all state and private lands in the county that are not protected by the USFS or DNRC. All BLM lands within the county are protected by DNRC.

B. Requests for Local Initial Attack Assistance

There are different procedures that must be followed depending on which agency is requesting assistance, and from whom they are requesting assistance.

1. County Cooperator Requesting Assistance from DNRC

The Incident Commander should notify 911 dispatch of the specific need. 911 Dispatch shall relay that request directly Anaconda Unit DNRC in South Powell or the Clearwater Unit DNRC in North Powell.
(see **APPENDIX E & F** request flow chart). Through the State/County Cooperative Fire Control Agreement, DNRC will provide assistance to the county. This assistance will come at no cost to the county provided that the assistance needed is beyond the capabilities of the county to provide. The county must remain fully committed to the suppression effort. DNRC's assistance may come in the form of a county fire advisor or may include any number and type of resources that are needed. The assistance that DNRC sends and pays the costs for may be either DNRC, federal or privately contracted resources. Costs of resources ordered directly by the county cooperators are the county's responsibility. **Only those resources ordered through the DNRC unit offices may be paid for by the DNRC.** Independent action taken by the DNRC or USFS on a fire on the cooperators protection will not be reimbursable.

Local government agencies may not be paid for suppression work performed in their own jurisdiction, since they have a legal mandate to fight those fires.

2. County Co-Operator requesting assistance for extended attack:

A FORMAL REQUEST IS REQUIRED when a fire exceeds the initial attack capability of the county's resources and the available "local" state resources. Such a formal request must be made within 48 hours after the beginning of the incident from the county commissioner to the state forester by letter, telegram, or fax. Normally the county fire warden will prepare the formal request for signature by the county commissioners, and when signed will transmit it to the Administrator, Forestry Division, Department of Natural Resources and Conservation. A sample request is included as (**APPENDIX D**). Assistance that is short term and minimal in cost will not require a written request.

3. DNRC Requests for Local Assistance

DNRC Anaconda Unit/Garrison Initial Attack Station will submit requests for assistance from the USFS to the Dillon Interagency Dispatch Center, Missoula Dispatch Center, or Helena Interagency Dispatch Center.

DNRC Clearwater Unit/Lincoln Initial Attack Station will submit requests for assistance from the USFS to Helena Interagency Dispatch Center, or Missoula Dispatch Center.

DNRC will submit requests for assistance from county to the 911 Dispatch Center. 911 Dispatch will contact the fire warden or deputy fire warden for direction on what specifically can and will be provided.

4. USFS Request for Local Assistance

USFS will submit requests for assistance from DNRC to the Anaconda Unit Office, Clearwater Unit Office or Lincoln Dispatch.

USFS will submit requests for assistance from the county through the Anaconda Unit Office, Clearwater Unit Office or Lincoln Dispatch. This will assure that equipment and personnel payment is carried out by DNRC.

When one agency requests assistance from another, the sending agency shall dispatch only those personnel who meet or exceed the minimum required qualifications of the receiving agency, including the required personal protective equipment. County cooperator resources hired by DNRC for DNRC or USFS fires shall meet the fitness, training and equipment standards outlined in the Interagency Incident Business Management Handbook, NWCG Handbook 2. DNRC and USFS recognize incident qualification cards (red-cards) issued by the cooperators for ICS positions up to the single resource boss level (engine boss). Red-cards for higher level positions will be issued for cooperators by the DNRC. Red-cards are not required for personnel not directly involved in the suppression effort, such as local law enforcement and emergency medical responders.

At the time of a request for assistance, the assisting agency shall dispatch the nearest available resources to the requesting agency's incident.

At the time of a request, each party may assign an officer who supervises the activities of his/her agency's resources.

It shall be policy for the party requesting assistance to release the assisting agency from emergency duties as soon as practical and mutually desired.

All agencies will operate using the National Incident Command System (NIMS).
In consideration of distances, resource availability, access, fuels, values at risk and other pertinent factors, there will be areas (mutual response zones) where it is advantageous to automatically dispatch certain state resources to county fires. These areas will be called mutual response zones. Mutual response zones should be identified by the local fire departments working with the local DNRC Unit.

The first arriving officer/responder from any agency shall assume the role of Incident Commander and may transition command of the incident to more qualified personnel from the responsible agency upon their arrival and briefing. Command may be transferred to more qualified personnel from outside the responsible agency through a formal "Delegation of Authority" with the agency and/or County Commission approval.

In the event that an Incident Commander determines that a wildland fire is on the protection of another agency, the Incident Commander shall communicate with the responsible agency's dispatch center to handle the incident.

In the event any agency suppresses a fire on land administered by another agency, it will furnish the benefiting agency a copy of the incident report within 10 days after the fire is declared out.

VIII. REIMBURSEMENTS:

Reimbursements made under the provisions of this operating plan shall be in accordance with the terms of the following:

A. Non-fire reimbursement will be billed direct to the parties involved.

B. Fire reimbursement will be billed in accordance with the Cooperative Fire Management Agreement between the State of Montana and the United States Forest Service. Fire reimbursement, when allowable, will begin at the time of dispatch.

IX. PLAN REVIEW:

This operating plan will be reviewed annually for accuracy and will remain in effect until it is canceled by the mutual consent of all parties involved, or superseded by a new plan. Modifications to this plan will be mutually agreed upon by all parties and will be completed annually by April 30.

APPENDIX A

County Phone Numbers
911 Dispatch Center within Powell Co. 911 outside Powell Co. 846-2711

911 Dispatch Center for Granite County to page Gold Creek Fire Dept. 859-3251

		Fax	Work/Cell	Home
County Fire Warden	Earl Hall		241-8440	846-9549
Deputy Fire Warden	Bill Baker		793-5746	793-5746
Avon RFD	Reece Price		431-8492	439-7071
Deer Lodge RFD	Sandy Porter		846-3217	846-1061
Elliston RFD	Billy Thomas			492-8431
Garrison RFD	Tom Gilbert		560-1253	846-3417
Helmville RFD	Bill Baker		793-5746	793-5746
Ovando RFD	Dan Massee			793-5639
Race Track Valley RFD	Elmer McGhee		846-2852	846-2012
Rock Creek Cattle RFD	Rick Hathaway		560-8371	
Valley RFD	Sean O'Connor			949-0468
Gold Creek (Satellite of Valley)	Dave Bluford		288-3396	288-3396

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation Phone Numbers

Anaconda Unit	Fire Calls		563-7944	
	Other Calls		563-6078	
	Fax	563-8255		
Unit Fire Supervisor	Mike Meyer		563-6078	490-3218
Fire Team Leader	Craig Hansen		563-6078	498-0046
Unit Manager	Fred Staedler		563-6078	563-8346
Office Manager	Karen Vaughn		563-6078	563-2792

Duty Officer - Anaconda 911 (563-5242) page DNRC Duty Officer

Garrison Station	Fire Calls		846-1950	
Fire Forester	Jonathan Clark		846-1965	560-5634
	Fax	846-0096		

Duty Officer - Anaconda 911 (563-5242) page DNRC Duty Officer

Clearwater Unit	Fire Calls		244-2391	
	Dispatch		244-2391	
	Fax	244-5950		
Unit Fire Supervisor	Cory Calnan		244-2384	431-9345
Unit Manager	Kristen Baker-Dickinson		244-2381	396-0701

Duty Officer – Page Clearwater Duty Officer from Missoula 911(728-0911).

Lincoln IA Station	Fire Calls		362-4999	
Fire Forester	Bill Cyr		362-4999	362-4483
Duty Officer			210-1905	
Missoula Interagency Dispatch Center			829-7070	

U.S. Forest Service Phone Numbers

Dillon Interagency Dispatch Center			683-3975	
Helena Interagency Dispatch Center			444-4242	
Seeley Lake Ranger District			677-2233	
Flathead Interagency Dispatch Center			257-2593	
Pintler Ranger District	Joe Brabender	859-3211(w)	859-3052(h)	691-0369(c)
	Jim Harrington	859-3211(w)	846-1022(h)	691-0479(c)

BLM

Butte Field Office			533-7600	
	John Thompson	533-7611(w)	846-1855(h)	490-1123(c)

APPENDIX B

Radio Communications Plan

Agency Assigned Radio Frequencies*

		Transmit	Receive
Powell County	Fire	154.250	154.250

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation

DNRC frequencies are Narrowband July 2010

Administrative (All)	151.175	151.175
Repeater(Union Pk)**	151.475	151.175
Anaconda/Garrison (Direct)	151.190	151.190
Repeater (Rumsey Mtn.)**	159.360	151.190
Repeater (Garrison West [Union Peak])***	159.360	151.190
Lincoln (Direct)	151.250	151.250
Repeater (Stonewall)***	159.255	151.250
Repeater (Morrell Mtn)**	159.420	151.235
Repeater (Ogden Mtn)****	159.420	151.235
Clearwater (Direct)	151.235	151.235

** Repeaters require tone 141.3 **

Repeater requires tone 114.8

****Repeater requires tone 192.8****

*Require written authorization between agencies for mutual use

Statewide Mutual Aid Frequencies

Red Channel	Fire Mutual Aid	154.070	154.070
Yellow Channel	SWLO Air to Ground	151.220	151.220
Gold Channel	Inter-government Mutual Aid	153.905	153.905
Green Channel	Mutual Aid with USFS	171.475	171.475

USFS Frequencies (narrowband)

Deerlodge Direct	USFS Direct	171.000	171.000
Deerlodge Rpter	Luke Mtn. Repeater (Tx Tone 123.0)	170.350	171.000
Philipsburg Rptr	Emerine Mtn. Rptr (Tx Tone 146.2)	170.350	171.000
Helena Direct	USFS Direct	166.225	166.225
Helena Rpter	Macdonald Pass (Tx Tone 110.9)	164.150	166.225

APPENDIX C

A. Powell County Equipment

1. AVON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   1 ea 750 gal. Engine, 1973 GMC with 750 GPM pump
   1 ea 300 gal. Engine, 4x4 100 GPM pump w/foam DNR loan 1739
   1 ea 3 hp portable pump
   1 ea 1500 gal. portable tank
   1 ea 200 gal. 4X4 with 100 GPM pump with foam
   1 ea 4" volume pump

2. DEER LODGE CITY/ RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   <u>City</u>
   1 ea 500 gal. Engine, 1962 Ford with 750 GPM pump
   1 ea 750 gal. Engine, 1988 GMC with 1000 GPM pump
   1 ea Van.
   <u>Rural</u>
   1 ea 500 gal. Engine, 1972 Ford with 750 GPM pump
   1 ea 5000 gal. Water Tender, 1976 Kenworth.

3. ELLISTON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   1 ea 1000 gal. Engine, 89 International 4x4
   1 ea 300 gal. Engine, 1981 Chevy with 150 GPM pump
   1 ea 2000 gal. Water Tender, 1955 GMC with 200 GPM pump
   2 ea 4" Trash Pump (Honda)
   1ea. 1500 gal. Portable tank

4. GARRISON RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   1 ea 300 gal. Engine, 1950 Ford with 750 GPM pump
   1 ea 400 gal. Engine, 1956 Dodge with 500 GPM pump
   1 ea 1000 gal. Water Tender, 1967 International 4 x 4
   1 ea 500 gal. Engine, 1982 International 250 GPM 4x4 DNR temp. loan
   1 ea 2000 gal. Portable tank
   2 ea Filler Pumps.

5. HELMVILLE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   1 ea 250 gal. Engine, 2004 Ford crew cab with 250 GPM pump
   1 ea 500 gal. Engine, 1949 Dodge with 250 GPM pump
   1 ea 500 gal. Engine, 1951 Ford with 500 GPM pump
   1 ea 300 gal. Engine, 1999 GMC with 250 GPM pump

1 ea 1500 gal. Water Tender, 1968 Chevy with 500 GPM pump
1 ea Portable pump
5 ea Hand Held radios
1 ea 1000 gal. Portable tank

6. OVANDO RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   1 ea 1250 gal. Water tender, 2002 Kenworth 4x4
   1 ea 2500 gal. Water tender, 100 gpm pump
   1 ea 500 gal. Engine, 1974 Hahn, with 1000 GPM pump
   1 ea 300 gal. Engine, 1990 Ford, with 328 GPM CAFS Unit
   1 ea Hale XL2000 Portable Pump, 500 GPM
   1 ea 300 gal. Slip-on with 300 GPM pump
   6 ea Hand Held Radios
   2 ea 1000 gal. Portable tanks

7. RACE TRACK VALLEY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT
   1 ea 1000 gal. Engine, 1983 GMC with 750 GPM pump
   1 ea 1400 gal. Water Tender, 1952 GMC
   1 ea 200 gal. 4X4 Chevy with 100gpm pump (DNRC Loan DSL 1630)
   1 ea 1500 gal Portable tank
   1 ea Float-o-pump

8. VALLEY RURAL FIRE DISTRICT EQUIPMENT (Granite County)
   1 ea 3000 gal. Tender, 2005 Kenworth 750 GPM 3000 gal drop tank
   1 ea 750 gal. Engine, 1986 Mack 1250 GPM pump
   2 ea 1500 gal. Portable tank
   1 ea 200 gal. Type VI 4x4 with 100 GPM pump
   1ea 300 gal. Type VI 4x4 with 100 GPM pump (DNRC loan DNR1525)
   1 200 gal portable tank

9. GOLD CREEK (Satellite station of Valley Rural) Powell County Coop
   1 ea 200 gal. Engine, 1992 Ford 100 GPM pump (DNRC Loan DSL 604)
      Portable volume pump
   1 ea 1000 gal structural water tender, 1966 American LaFrance,
      portable volume pump, 1500 gal portable tank
   1 ea 750 gal. Portable tank

10. ROCK CREEK CATTLE RURAL FIRE DISTRICT
    1ea 235 gal. Engine 1997 Ford 100GPM pump Type 6
    1ea Type 1 1000 gallon 1986 Ford 250gpm pump

B. DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES AND CONSERVATION

1. DNRC ANACONDA UNIT EQUIPMENT
   - 2 ea 500 gal. Engines with 100 GPM pumps w/foam
   - 2 ea 300 gal. Engine with 100 GPM pump w/foam
   - 2 ea Mark 3 Pacific Portable Pump Unit
   - 1 ea 750 gal. Portable tank
   - 1 ea fyr pack portable pump
   - 1 1800 gal portable tank

2. DNRC GARRISON INITIAL ATTACK STATION EQUIPMENT
   - 2 ea 500 gal. Engines with 100 GPM pumps w/foam
   - 2 ea 300 gal. Engine with 100 GPM pump w/foam
   - 1 ea Waterous float-o-pump
   - 1 ea Mark 3 Pacific Portable Pump Unit
   - 1 ea 1000 gal. Portable tank

3. DNRC CLEARWATER UNIT EQUIPMENT
   - 4 ea 300 gal. Engines with 100 GPM pump w/foam type 6
   - 2 ea 500 gal. Engines with 100 GPM pump w/foam type 5
   - 1 ea 750 gal. Engine w/350 GPM pump, w/foam, & w/1000 gal drop tank
   - 1 ea 2500 gallon Water Tender with 100 GPM pump
   - 1 ea Jeep Trencher
   - 1 ea Mark 3 Pacific Portable Pump Unit w/foam
   - 1 ea 1000 gal. porta tank, framed
   - 1 ea 1500 gal. porta tank, unframed

4. DNRC LINCOLN INITIAL ATTACK STATION EQUIPMENT
   - 2 ea 300 gal. Engines with 100 GPM pumps w/foam type 6
   - 1 ea 500 gal. Engines with 100 GPM pump w/foam type 5
   - 1 ea Mark 3 Pacific Portable Pump Unit w/foam
   - 1 ea 1000 gal. porta tank, framed

APPENDIX D

Sample Formal Request for Assistance
POWELL COUNTY LETTERHEAD

(Date)

Administrator
Division of Forestry
Department of Natural
Resources and Conservation
2705 Spurgin Rd.
Missoula, Mt 59804

Dear Mr. Harrington,

In accordance with the provisions of the State/County Cooperative Firefighting Program, I am writing to request State assistance in suppressing the *(Fire Name)*. This fire exceeded the capabilities of Powell County resources to suppress.

The original request for assistance was sent by *IC Name/County Fire warden Name & position* to your office at *(Clearwater/Anaconda)* on *(Date)* at *(Time)*.

Thank you for your assistance.

Sincerely,

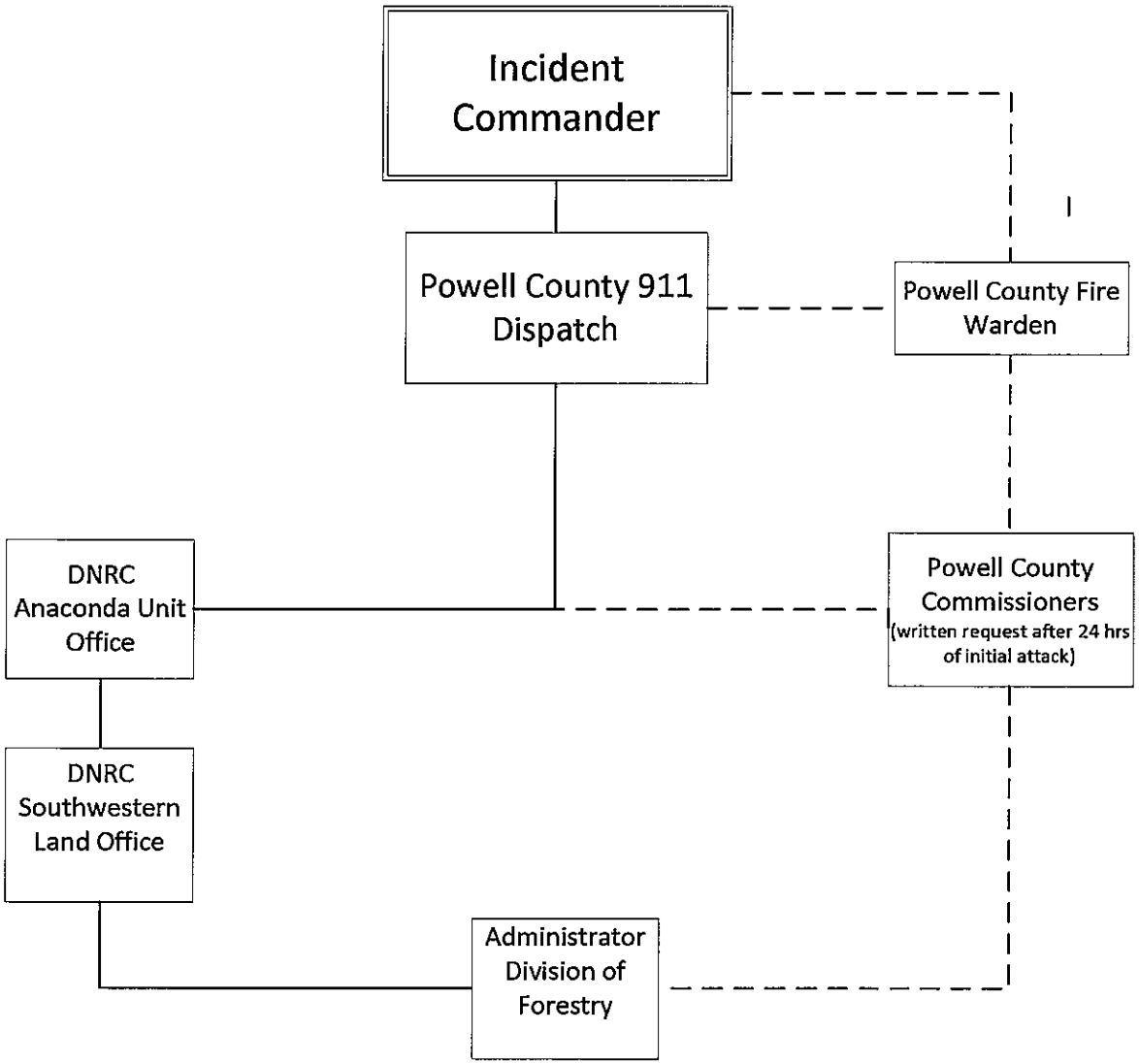
(Signature)
Commissioner

Prepared by: *(Signature)*
(Title

APPENDIX E

Normal Flow of Requests For Assistance

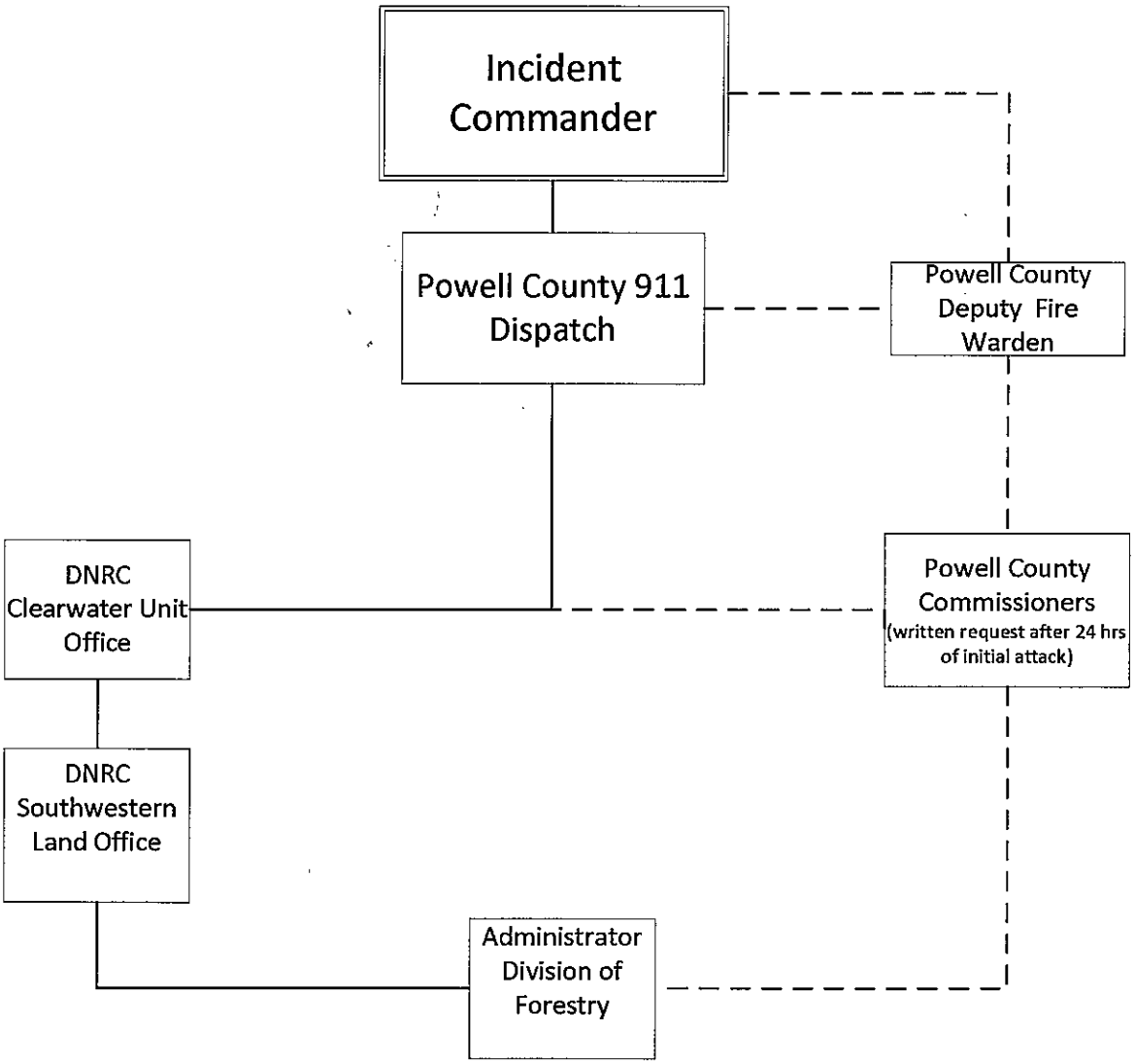
South Powell County



APPENDIX F

Normal Flow of Requests For Assistance

North Powell County



OPERATING PLAN APPROVAL:

Department of Natural Resources and Conservation, Anaconda and Clearwater Unit

By: _____ Date: 4/30/14
Title: ANA Fire Forester

By: _____ Date: 4/28/2014
Title: CLW Fire Supervisor

Powell County

By: _____ Date: 5/6/2014
Title: Fire Warden