

2003-2012

**ON THE
ROAD TO
FIREWISE**

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Fire Aware

- Common Sense and Example of Neighbors:
 - Clearing area around cabin – we achieved no area less than 50 feet from building
 - Thin – reduce fuels – park out
 - Gravel area around buildings
- Flathead County Regulations
 - Metal roofs
 - Distance between trees within different perimeters
- Advice of Builder
 - Store some water - 3500 gallons in cistern







2003

WEDGE CANYON FIRE























QUICKLY ASSESS

Is any area of your property
vulnerable and in need of prompt
action?





































Kinsolving - Forest Management Plan

October 2003



View of Home from near West property boundary looking East 8/30/2003



View from Home 7/24/2003

Kinsolving Land - Revegetation Plan



REFORESTING GOALS

- Jump ahead of the Lodgepole Pine to include 1300 2nd generation trees (Douglas Fir, White Pine, Ponderosa Pine, Aspen, Juniper and Engelman Spruce) without waiting for nature
- Included 750 shrubs (Buffalowberry, Service Berry, Chokecherry, Snowberry, RO Dogwood, Wild Rose and Willow)
- Insure ample stand of more fire resistant Tamarack around cabin
- Satisfy special needs identified in the Forest Revegetation Plan.



FLEP

DNRC USE ONLY
Date Received:

Application number:

COST-SHARE APPLICATION FORM

APPLICANT INFORMATION

Landowner name Kinsolving Laurence + Ruth
(Last) (First) (Middle Initial)

Mailing Address 14696 North Fork Road (MM 47.2)

City/Town Polebridge State MT Zip Code 59928 Phone _____

Contract person (if other than landowner) Rick Trembath (406) 837-6298
(name & telephone)

Location of land for cost share, County: Flathead
Lot 1 of Final Subdivision Plat of NORTH FORK 20/20 Subdivision
Legal Description: NW 1/4 of Section: 2, Township: 36N, Range: 22W

of Acres: 20.02

Do you have a current written Forest Management Plan?

☐ Yes: What kind of plan is it?

☐ Tree Farm Plan

☐ NRCS Farm Plan

☐ Certified Forest Stewardship Plan.

☐ Other: Forest Management Plan

(Please specify type of plan)

Date of original plan or latest revision: October 24, 2003

☐ No

Are you currently working with a Forestry Consultant or other natural resource professional?

☒ YES Name: Rick Trembath Phone: _____

☐ NO

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TO LOG OR NOT TO LOG?

Our Revegetative Plan RECOMMENDED logging:

- Based on consensus of forestry professionals from U. of Montana and Montana State U.
- If conducted under guidelines and timetable outlined in our Plan
 - Logging is conducted in non-growing season immediately after fire. Later logging should be conducted from trails or can destroy emerging plants.
 - Conducted by experience logger who will bring in no contaminants
 - Limited number of small landing or decking areas which are given special attention in Revegetation Plan

BENEFITS OF LOGGING

- Breaks up soil to receive water and allow penetration of nutrients to encourage sprouting of regenerative seeds and prevent establishment of noxious weeds.
- Turn skid trails to management trails.
- Reduce presence of unstable snags hazardous to persons and buildings
- Provide room for planting varieties of desirable trees and shrubs.
- Post fire ground scatter and logging debris can be piled for small animal habitat and when decomposing provide forest nutrients.
- Revenue from logging can finance the post fire rehabilitative and reforestation activity.























In 2005, spot planted failed areas
with

UNIVERSITY OF IDAHO

“SuperTrees”

SIT BACK AND WATCH THE TREES
GROW....





















































BIGGEST MISTAKES

- Hugging too many baby Lodgepole Pine
- Not thinning faster.