



**IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS
PRESEASON CONTRACT**

<p>1. IDL AREA OR FPD a. Name and address: Idaho Department of Lands 3284 W. Industrial Loop Coeur d'Alene, ID 83815</p> <p>b. Phone Number: 208-769-1525 c. FAX Number: 208-769-1525 d. Email: firebusiness@idl.idaho.gov</p>	<p>2. AGREEMENT NUMBER (Must appear on all documents relating to this agreement): IDL-CDS-24-005</p> <p>3. EFFECTIVE DATES OF AGREEMENT: a. beginning <u>07/01/2024</u> b. ending <u>12/31/2028</u></p>
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<p>4. CONTRACTOR a. Name and address: Dust Busters Plus, LLC. PO Box 50370 Eugene, OR 97405</p> <p>b. LUMA Vendor Number: c. Email: Dustbusters2@comcast.net d. Phone Number: 541-513-0107 - 24hr dispatch FAX Number: 541-683-1464 - secondary number Cell Phone Number:</p>	<p>5. POINT OF HIRE (Location when hired if different than Block 4): 3746 Red River Rd, Elk City, ID 83525</p>	<p>6. ORDERING DISPATCH CENTER ID-CDC</p>
<p>7. THE WORK RATE IS BASED ON ALL OPERATING SUPPLIES BEING FURNISHED BY: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTOR (wet) <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT (dry)</p>		
<p>8. OPERATOR FURNISHED BY: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> CONTRACTOR <input type="checkbox"/> GOVERNMENT</p>		
<p>9. Contractor Authorized Commissary: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No</p>		

10. ITEM DESCRIPTION: equipment (include VIN, make, model, year, serial no., accessories or other identifying features).	11. NO. OF OPERATORS PER SHIFT	12. HRLY/DAILY/MILEAGE/SHIFT BASIS (ss/ds; ref. C1.6)		13. SPECIAL	14. GUARANTEE (8 HOURS)
		Rate	Unit		
Type 2 IA Crew - Identifier: See attached		82.19	Person/Hour		
Type 2 Crew - Identifier: see attached		79.47	Person/Hour		
Type 1 Crew - Identifier: See attached		97.45	Person/Hour		

<p>15. Will work in the following areas:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> FPD <input type="checkbox"/> FPD <input type="checkbox"/> FPD <input type="checkbox"/> Dispatch Zone <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> All State Protection</p>	<p>16. SPECIAL PROVISIONS:</p> <p>1. Continuation of the Special Provision are attached and incorporated herin. 2. IDL Preseason Contract provisions are attached and incorporated herin.</p>
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<p>17. CONTRACTOR'S OR AUTHORIZED AGENT'S SIGNATURE <u>Lee Jurasevich</u> <small>Lee Jurasevich (Jul 26, 2024 12:07 PDT)</small></p>	<p>18. DATE <u>7/26/2024</u></p>	<p>20. IDL REPRESENTATIVE</p>	<p>21. DATE</p>
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<p>19. PRINT NAME AND TITLE Lee Jurasevich, Owner</p>	<p>22. a. PRINT NAME AND TITLE Amber Honsaker, IDL Fire Business Program Manager</p>
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Idaho Department of Lands
Crew Scheduling of Items

Crew Identifier	Crew Type	Price Per Hr Per Person
ID-T2-001	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-002	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-003	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-004	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-005	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-006	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-007	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-008	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-009	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-010	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-011	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-012	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-013	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-014	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-015	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-016	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-017	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-018	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-019	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2-020	Type 2	\$ 79.47
ID-T2IA-001	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-002	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-003	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-004	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-005	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-006	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-007	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-008	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-009	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-010	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-011	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-012	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-013	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-014	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T2IA-015	Type 2IA	\$ 82.19
ID-T1-001	Type 1	\$ 97.45
ID-T1-002	Type 1	\$ 97.45
ID-T1-003	Type 1	\$ 97.45
ID-T1-004	Type 1	\$ 97.45
ID-T1-005	Type 1	\$ 97.45

16. SPECIAL PROVISIONS (CONTINUED):

Crews

Baseline recommendation for the Minimum Crew Standards is as follows:

Fireline Capability

- Initial Attack – Can be broken up into squads, fire line construction, complex firing operations (backfire)

Leadership Qualifications

- Permanent Supervision Superintendent: Crew Boss,
- 3 Squad Leaders: ICT5

Crew Size

- 18-22

Crew Configurations

- Crew Configuration 1: 5 Person, ICT5, Sawyer
- Crew Configuration 2: 10 People, 1 CRWB, ICT5, Sawyers
- Crew Configuration 3: 20 Person, 1 CRWB, 3 ICT5's

Sawyers

- 3 Certified FAL2 or Higher

Communications

- 8 Programmable Radios

The following documents will be provided at Check-In:

1. Resource Order
2. Copy of this Agreement with Provisions and Special Provisions
3. Crew Manifest
4. NWCG approved Incident Qualification Cards for all Crew Members.

Payments:

Overnight Allowance and Meal allowances:

1. While in travel status to and from incidents actual lodging (double occupancy) expenses are reimbursable. When the government cannot provide a campsite, and if authorized by the Incident (ie documented on the CTR) and properly receipted and invoiced, actual lodging expenses (double occupancy) incurred by the Crew are reimbursable.
2. Meal allowance is paid while in travel status. If the crew is being fed all three meals in camp, no meal or incidentals allowance is authorized. When no food and drink are provided by the Government, an allowance equal to the current standard CONUS per diem meal rate per person per day will be paid. If certain meal periods (i.e.. breakfast, lunch, or dinner) are provided by the Government (on any given day), that shall be documented on the Crew Time Report and deducted from the current Meals & Incidental Expenses (M&IE) allowance for that given day. If the crew earns any part of a meal allowance on a given day, they are also entitled to the incidentals portion of the M&IE allowance for that given day.
3. While assigned to an incident, the contractor is paid for all on shift time from the beginning of shift until the end of shift, except for meal breaks which are not ordinarily compensable. In certain situations, meal breaks may be compensable. These situations are the exception, not the rule. Personnel on the Fireline may be compensated for their meal break if ALL the following conditions are met:
 - A. The fire is not controlled, and
 - B. The Government Representative supervising the contract crew decides that it is critical to the effort of controlling the fire that personnel remain at their post of duty and continue to work as they eat, and
 - C. Payment for the meal break must be properly documented on the Crew Time Report, such as "Paid Meal Break."

4. When assigned to an incident, payments shall be submitted by the incident host unit within 5 business days of demobilization. IDL host units shall follow the contract payment process outlined in IDL FMH 840.
5. The State will only compensate the Contactor for the attendance of the CRWB at daily operational briefings. If a Crew is directed to a location for shift briefing during travel to an assignment, all Crew Members will be compensated while On-Shift, as documented on the Crew Time Report.

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IDAHO DEPARTMENT OF LANDS PRESEASON CONTRACT PROVISIONS

Since the equipment needs of the Government and availability of Contractor's equipment during an emergency cannot be determined in advance, it is mutually agreed that, upon request of the Government, the Contractor shall furnish the equipment listed herein to the extent the Contractor is willing and able at the time of order. The following personnel are authorized to place orders against this Agreement/Contract, Dispatchers, Buying Team Members, Finance Section Chiefs, Procurement Unit Leaders, and Contracting Officers. At time of dispatch, a resource order number will be assigned. The Contractor shall furnish the resource order number upon arrival and check in at the incident. The Incident Commander, or designee, is authorized to administer the technical aspects of this Agreement/Contract. Equipment furnished under this Agreement/Contract may be operated and subjected to extreme environmental and/or strenuous operating conditions which could include, but is not limited to, unimproved roads, steep, rocky, hilly terrain, dust, heat, and smoky conditions. As a result, by entering this Agreement/Contract, the Contractor agrees that what is considered wear and tear under this Agreement/Contract is in excess of what the equipment is subjected to under normal operations and is reflected in the rates paid for the equipment. When such equipment is furnished to the Government, the following clauses shall apply:

CLAUSE 1: Condition of Equipment:

All equipment furnished under this Agreement/Contract shall be in acceptable condition. The Government reserves the right to reject equipment that is not in safe and operable condition. The Government may allow the Contractor to correct deficiencies within 24 hours. No payment for travel to an Incident, point of inspection or return to the Point of Hire, will be made for equipment that does not pass inspection. No payment will be made for the time that the equipment was not available.

CLAUSE 2: Time Under Hire:

The time under hire shall start at the time the equipment begins traveling to the incident after being ordered by the Government, and end at the estimated time of arrival back to the Point of Hire after being released, except as provided in Clause 7 of these General Clauses.

CLAUSE 3 Operating Supplies:

As identified in Block 7, operating supplies include fuel, oil, filters, lube/oil changes. Even though Block 7 may specify that all operating supplies are to be furnished by the Contractor (*wet*), the Government may, at its option, elect to furnish such supplies when necessary to keep the equipment operating. The cost of such supplies will be determined by the Government and deducted from payment to the Contractor.

CLAUSE 4 Repairs:

Repairs to equipment shall be made and paid for by the Contractor. The Government may, at its option, elect to make such repairs when necessary to keep the equipment operating. The cost of such repairs will be determined by the Government and deducted from payment to the Contractor.

CLAUSE 5 Timekeeping:

Time will be verified and approved by the Government Agent responsible for ordering and/or directing use of each piece of equipment. Time will be recorded to the nearest half hour worked for daily/hourly rate, or whole mile for mileage.

CLAUSE 6 Payments:

- a) Rates of Payments - Rates for equipment hired with Contractor-Furnished Operator(s) shall include all operator(s) expenses. Payment will be at rates specified and, except as provided in Clause 7, shall be in accordance with the following:
 - i) **Work Rates** (*Column 12*) (hourly/daily/mileage/shift basis) shall apply when equipment is under hire as ordered by the Government and on shift, including relocation of equipment under its own power.

ON-SHIFT: Includes time worked, time that equipment is held or directed to be in a state of readiness, and compensable travel (equipment traveling under its own power) that has a specific start and ending time.
 - ii) **Special Rate** (*Column 13*)- shall apply when specified.
 - iii) **Guarantee**- For each calendar day that equipment is under hire for at least 8 hours, the Government will pay not less than the amount shown in Column 14. If equipment is under hire for less than 8 hours during a calendar day, the amount earned for that day will be not less than one-half the amount specified in Column 14. The guarantee is not applicable to equipment hired under the daily rate. Equipment under transport is time under hire and compensated through the guarantee. If equipment is transported under its own power, it is compensated under the work rate.

- iv) **Daily Rate** (Column 12) - Payment will be made on the basis of calendar days (0001 – 2400). For fractional days at the beginning and ending of time under hire, payment will be based on 50 percent of the daily rate for periods less than 8 hours. Under the daily rate equipment may be staffed with or without operator.
 - Single day Under Hire:** Pay a fractional day (1/2 rate) for resources that work 8 hours or less.
 - Multiple Consecutive Days Under Hire:**
 1. First Day Under Hire: If hired prior to 1600 hours, pay a full day rate. If hired after 1600 hours, pay a fractional day (1/2 rate).
 2. Last Day Under Hire: If released prior to 0800 hours, pay a fractional day (1/2 rate). If released after 0800 hours, pay a full day rate.
- v) **Shift Basis (Portion of Calendar Day)**
 - Single Shift (SS)** is staffed with one operator or one crew.
 - Double Shift (DS)** is staffed with two operators or two crews (one per shift). The DS rate will apply any calendar day the DS was under hire, including travel. There will be no compensation for a double shift unless a separate operator(s) and or crew(s) is/are ordered in writing for the second shift. Agency personnel at the Section Chief level may, by resource order, authorize a second operator or crew (Double Shift), if needed during the assignment.
- b) Method of Payment. Lump-sum payment will normally be processed at the end of the emergency assignment. However, partial payment may be authorized as approved by the incident agency. Payment for each calendar day will be made for:
 - i) Actual units ordered and performed under work or daily, shift basis and/or special rates, or
 - ii) The guarantee earned, whichever is the greater amount.

CLAUSE 7 Exceptions:

- a) **Daily Rate or Guarantee:** No further payment under Clause 6 will accrue during any period that equipment under hire is not in a safe or operable condition or when Contractor-Furnished Operator(s) is not available for the assigned shift or portions of the assigned shift. Payment will be based on the hours the equipment was operational during the assigned shift, as documented on the shift ticket versus the designated shift shown on the Incident Action Plan (IAP). If the equipment was not operational for the full shift, the deduction from the daily rate is calculated by converting the length of shift from the IAP to determine the hourly rate and pay the Contractor for the total hours worked before equipment became non-operational.
 - i) If the Contractor withdraws equipment and/or operator(s) prior to being released by the Government, no further payment under Clause 6 shall accrue and the Contractor shall bear all costs of returning equipment and/or operator(s) to the Point of Hire.
 - ii) After inspection and acceptance for use, equipment and/or furnished operator(s), that cannot be replaced or equipment that cannot be repaired at the site of work by the Contractor, or by the Government in accordance with Clause 4, within 24 hours, may be considered as being withdrawn by the Contractor in accordance with Paragraph i) above, that the Government shall pay return travel. The Government shall calculate travel in accordance with normal release of resource. The contractor shall bear any additional cost returning resource and/or operator(s) to the point of hire.
 - iii) No payment will accrue under Clause 6 when the Contractor is off shift in compliance with the mandatory "Work/Rest" and "Length of Commitment" provisions. As an option to rotating personnel, or taking a mandatory day off, without pay, the Contractor may be released from the incident.
- b) **Transport:** If there is a single operator for both the heavy equipment and transport, the transport guarantee is reduced to 65% of the transport minimum daily guarantee. The mileage rate is not reduced. Transport is considered released once the heavy equipment is delivered and unloaded at the incident, unless one of the following exceptions apply:
 - i) If approved by the government, the contractor may keep the transport at the incident, after it has been released, at no additional cost to the government.
 - ii) Incident may retain transport under hire for the sole purpose of transporting the heavy equipment that was originally ordered; the mileage rate or the minimum daily guarantee, whichever is greater will be paid until the transport is released.
 - iii) If the Transport is retained by the Incident, it must be documented by the Incident Commander or the Operations Sections Chief in writing. Transport will then be paid the agreed rate until released from incident.

For transport with a separate operator, the name of the transport operator must be listed in the Remarks block (block 14) of the daily shift ticket.

CLAUSE 8 Subsistence:

When Government subsistence incident camps are available, meals and bedding for Contractor's will be furnished without charge. Government will furnish meals and lodging without cost if hotel/restaurant subsistence is the approved camp for incident personnel. Double occupancy of hotel rooms may be required. Contractors are not paid per diem or lodging expenses to and from incidents.

CLAUSE 9 Loss, Damage, or Destruction:

- a) For equipment furnished under this Agreement/Contract without operator, the Government will assume liability for any loss, damage or destruction of such equipment, except that no reimbursement will be made for loss, damage or destruction due to (1) ordinary wear or tear, (2) mechanical failure, or (3) the fault or negligence of the Contractor or Contractor's employees.
- b) For equipment furnished under this Agreement/Contract with operator, the Government shall not be liable for any loss, damage, or destruction of such equipment, except for loss, damage or destruction resulting from the negligence, or wrongful act(s) of Government employee(s) while acting within the scope of their employment. The operator is responsible for operating the equipment within its operating limits and responsible for the safety of the equipment.

CLAUSE 10 Contractor's Responsibility for Property and Personal Damages:

Except as provided in Clause 9, the Contractor will be responsible for all damages to property and to persons, including third parties, that occur as a result of Contractor or designee or employee fault or negligence. The term "third parties" is construed to include employees of the Government.

a) **Insurance Requirements:**

- i) The Contractor shall obtain and retain in force for the duration of this contract, the following forms of insurance written by an insurance company licensed and admitted in Idaho. The Contractor shall furnish the Idaho Department of Lands with an Acord Form or Certificate of Insurance executed by a duly authorized representative of each insurer, showing compliance with the insurance requirements set forth below. All certificates shall provide for ten (10) days' written notice to the Idaho Department of Lands prior to cancellation or material change of any insurance referred to therein. All policies required shall be written such that the insurance of the Contractor is primary, and any insurance carried by the state of Idaho, its departments, agents, officials, and employees shall be excess and not contributory to the insurance provided by the Contractor. All policies shall be endorsed to include the "state of Idaho, its departments, agents, officials, and employees as additional insureds" and shall protect the Contractor and IDL from claims for damages for bodily injury, including accidental death, as well as for claims for property damages, which may arise from operations under this contract whether such operations be by the Contractor, his employees, subcontractors, agents, or guests. All policies shall contain waiver of subrogation coverage or endorsements. Failure of the Idaho Department of Lands to demand such certificate(s) or other evidence of full compliance with these insurance requirements, or failure of the Idaho Department of Lands to identify a deficiency from evidence that is provided, shall not be construed as a waiver of Contractor's obligation to maintain such insurance. Failure to maintain the required insurance may result in termination of this contract. The Contractor shall provide certified copies of all insurance policies required within ten (10) days if requested by the Idaho Department of Lands.
- ii) By requiring insurance herein, the Idaho Department of Lands does not represent that coverage and limits will necessarily be adequate to protect Contractor and such coverage and limits shall not be deemed as a limitation on Contractor's liability under the indemnities granted to IDL in this contract.
- iii) The Contractor shall require all subcontractors utilized in performance of this contract to provide Certificates of Insurance to the Idaho Department of Lands evidencing insurance coverage with the required additional insured endorsements as set forth in the preceding paragraphs.

b) **Dozers, Excavators, Feller/Buncher, Skidders, Heavy Equipment, Transport Vehicles/Lowboys**

- i) Commercial General and Umbrella Liability Insurance
The contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability (CGL) and, if necessary, commercial umbrella insurance with a combined single limit of not less than \$1,000,000 each occurrence. The CGL shall be written on standard ISO occurrence form (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage) and shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, products-completed operations, personal injury, advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract.
- ii) Automobile Insurance
The Contractor shall maintain automobile liability insurance which shall provide a minimum \$1,000,000 combined single limit per occurrence and shall include coverage for owned, non-owned, and hired automobiles.
- iii) Workers' Compensation Insurance
The Contractor shall maintain Workers' Compensation insurance including employer's liability in the amount required by statute covering employees of Contractor and any uninsured subcontractors. The contractor shall furnish the Idaho Department of Lands with a Certificate of Insurance evidencing such coverage.

c) **Operated Transportation, Privately-owned Vehicles (Automobiles, Pick-ups, 2x4 and 4x4, Sport Utility Vehicles, Trucks (stake side/stock))**

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d) **All-Terrain Vehicles (ATV) and Utility Terrain Vehicles (UTV)**

- i) General Liability Insurance
The contractor shall maintain Commercial General Liability (CGL) and, if necessary, commercial umbrella insurance with a combined single limit of not less than \$500,000 each occurrence. The CGL shall be written on standard ISO occurrence form (or a substitute form providing equivalent coverage) and shall cover liability arising from premises, operations, independent contractors, products-completed operations, personal injury, advertising injury, and liability assumed under an insured contract including the tort liability of another assumed in a business contract.

CLAUSE 11 Deductions:

Unless specifically stated elsewhere in this Agreement/Contract the cost of any supplies, materials, or services, including commissary, provided for the Contractor by the Government will be deducted from the payment to the Contractor.

CLAUSE 12 Personal Protective Clothing and Equipment:

The Government considers operators as fireline personnel who will use, and wear specified articles of personal protective equipment. The following mandatory items will be issued by the Government, when not required to be furnished by the Contractor, to operators performing within the scope of this Agreement/Contract:

- a) Clothing: Boots, minimum 8 inches high, lace-type leather work boot with Vibram-type soles (boots are provided by the Contractor); hard hat with chin strap; fire resistant long sleeve shirt and trousers, or fire-resistant jumpsuit; leather or leather/flare resistant combination gloves; goggles/safety glasses; and ear plugs/hearing protection. When using a chainsaw, saw chaps will be required for leg protection.
- b) Equipment: fire shelter; headlamp; individual first aid kit.
- c) Other items may be issued by the Government.

Operators shall wear the items of clothing issued and maintain the issued equipment in a usable and readily available condition. Upon completion of the assignment, all issued items of clothing or equipment shall be returned to the Government. Deductions will be made for all Government-furnished protective clothing and equipment not returned by the Contractor.

CLAUSE 13 Commercial Motor Vehicles:

All commercial motor vehicles must meet Department of Transportation (DOT) requirements. The regulations can be found at the following website: www.fmcsa.dot.gov.

CLAUSE 14 Claims Settlement Authority:

Claims against the state of Idaho for incidents under IDL jurisdiction will be submitted in accordance with the IDL Incident Business Operating Guide.

CLAUSE 15 Changes:

Changes to this Agreement/Contract may only be made by the original signing procurement official. If the original signing procurement official is not available and adjustments are deemed appropriate, a new Agreement/Contract shall be executed at the incident and shall be applicable only for the duration of that incident. The Agreement/Contract will include the name and location of the incident.

CLAUSE 16 Firearm – Weapon Prohibition:

The possession of firearms, or other dangerous weapons, are prohibited at all times while on government property and during performance of services, under this Agreement/Contract. The term dangerous weapon does not include a pocketknife with a blade less than 2 ½ inches in length or multipurpose tools such as a Leatherman.

CLAUSE 17 Work/Rest and Length of Assignment:

The Contractor is required to follow the work/rest guidelines as established by the NWCG. Refer to website for the guidelines: www.nwcg.gov.

CLAUSE 18 Harassment Free Workplace:

The contracting agency will not tolerate harassment based on race, national origin, religion, age, mental or physical disability, color, sex, or any other non-merit factors.

The contracting agencies strive for a harassment-free work environment where people treat one another with respect. Managers, supervisors, and all employees, as well as Contractors, cooperators and volunteers have the primary responsibility for creating and sustaining this harassment-free environment (by example, by job supervision, by coaching, by training, by contract enforcement, and by other means). All employees, Contractor personnel, and visitors must take personal responsibility for maintaining conduct that is professional and supportive of this environment.