

## Central Bull Mountains Catastrophic Wildfire Fuels Reduction Modification

This modification will address the changes that have occurred across the TIP area landscape due to the Bobcat Fire in 2020, smaller unnamed fires within the TIP Boundary, additional partner outreach efforts & planning efforts unknown when the original TIP was written.

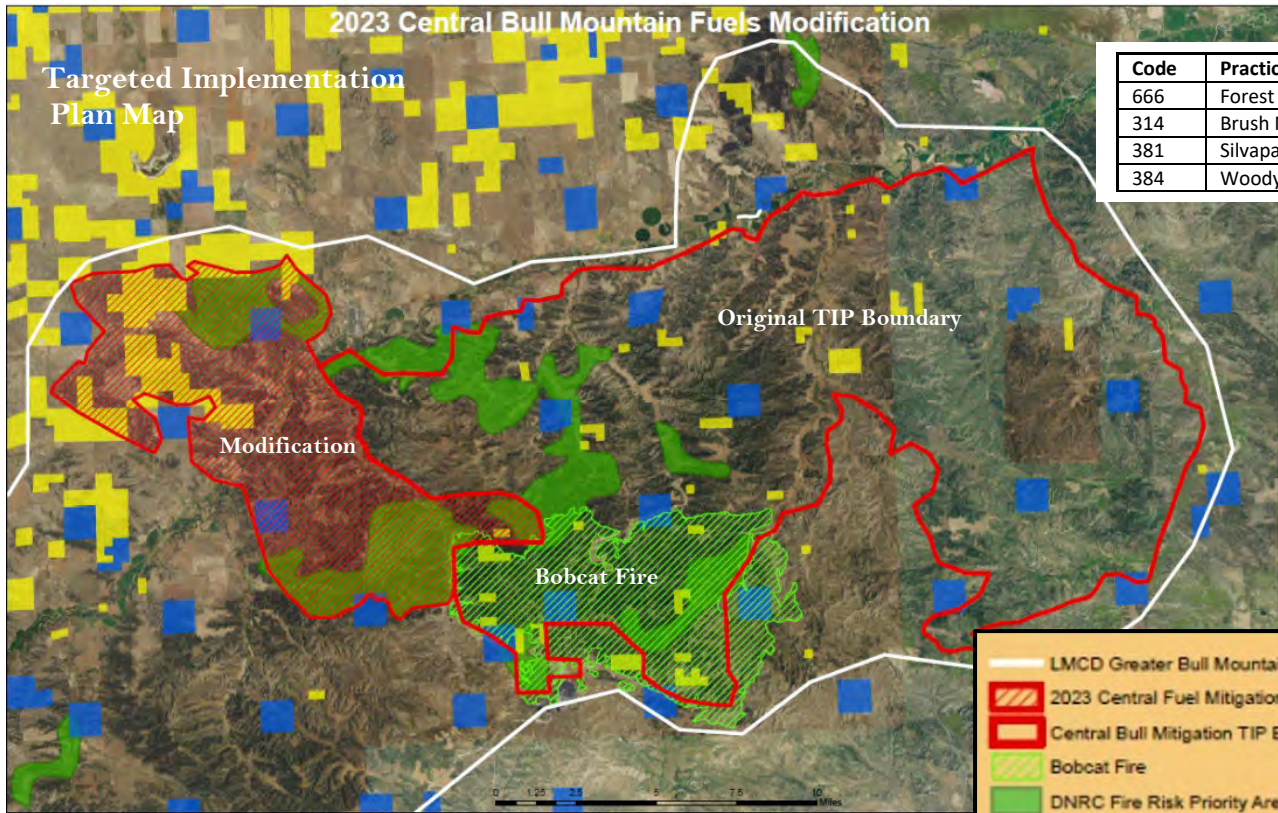
The Natural Resources Conservation Service (NRCS), in collaboration with the Local Working Group, the Lower Musselshell Conservation District & the Cross Boundary Partner Meetings, have identified partnership activities & priority designations on adjacent forestlands & conifer encroached range & pasture lands that have developed since the original TIP boundary was delineated. That boundary omitted the State Department of Natural Resources & Conservation (DNRC) Fire Risk Priority Areas, The Lower Musselshell Conservation District Greater Bull Mountain Fuels Mitigation Project Area, the BLM Prescribed Fire & Fuels Mitigation Partnership, landowners who had applications &/or expressed interest in the program. The new boundary would provide greater public health & human safety benefits derived from additional planning on large land units that are adjacent to ingress-egress roads, roads that offer fire access for suppression, activity on existing small acreage subdivision, & include the High-Risk Fire Priority Areas. Additionally, the Bobcat Fire burned ~ 31,000 acres, much of those acres were within the Central Bull Mountain TIP, where treatment may be no longer needed. This modification's net acreage adjustment of the boundary will increase the total acres by 16,221, for 209,472 acres for the final total. This modification will be extended to 2027 to accommodate the additional acres.

The map below portrays the additional TIP Boundary expansion combined with the partner priorities & planning locations. This modification will address all the originally identified resource concerns & additional climate considerations.

<b>Large Sample Treatment</b>			
Brush Management	Ac	202.2	\$72,287.00
Forest Stand Improvement	Ac	113.6	\$67,263.00
Silvapasture	Ac	75.0	\$33,148.00
Woody Residue Treatment	Ac	390.8	\$161,887.36
Total		781.6	\$334,585.36

<b>Medium Sample Treatment</b>			
Brush Management	Ac	31	\$72,287.00
Forest Stand Improvement	Ac	77.1	\$67,263.00
Silvapasture	Ac	20	\$33,148.00
Woody Residue Treatment	Ac	97.1	\$8,839.00
Total		225.2	\$93,861.00

<b>Small Sample Treatment</b>			
Silvapasture	Ac	10.0	\$4,420.00
Woody Residue Treatment	Ac	29.0	\$12,013.00
Forest Stand Improvement	Ac	18.7	\$11,074.00
Brush Management	Ac	7	\$2,502.36
Total		64.7	\$30,009.36



Code	Practice
666	Forest Stand Improvement
314	Brush Management
381	Silvopasture
384	Woody Residue Treatment

Estimated Funding
2025
\$375,000.00
2026
\$305,000.00
2027
\$225,000.00

	LMCD Greater Bull Mountain Mitigation Boundary
	2023 Central Fuel Mitigation Modification
	Central Bull Mitigation TIP Boundary
	Bobcat Fire
	DNRC Fire Risk Priority Areas