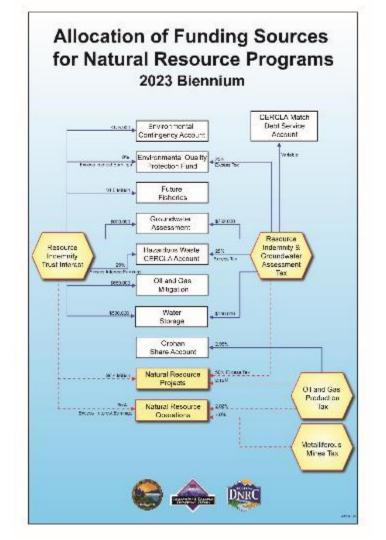


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# Natural Resource Operations

Natural Resource Projects

#### **Natural Resource Operations**

**Administration Expenses (HB 2)** 

#### **Natural Resource Projects**

To enhance Montana's renewable resources through projects that measurably conserve, develop, manage, or preserve resources.

RRGL Grants & RDG Grants (HB 6 & HB 7)

## Resource Indemnity Trust



#### Resource Indemnity Trust



#### RESOURCE INDEMNITY TRUST (RIT) - ENABLING ACT

Article IX of the Montane Constitution requires the existence of a resource. The state constitution requires a trust environment and requests the extraction of natural resources. legislature to provide adequate remedies for environmental protection from degradation.

disturbed by the taking resources shall be reclaimed', and

provides for the protection and indemnity trust (RIT) fund for that but does not require the trust to be purpose, to be funded by taxes on the

The constitution further states. "The principal of the resource indemnity certified that the balance of the trust had trust shall forever remain inviolate in an It specifically requires "all lands amount of one hundred million dollars. Tax proceeds previously directed to (\$100,000,000) guaranteed by the the RIT have been re-directed by the state against loss or diversion."

funded. The legislature utilized certain natural resource extraction tax proceeds as a revenue source for the trust. In February of 2002, the Governor exceeded the \$100.0 million threshold. legislature ever since.

#### FUND DESCRIPTIONS

A RIT fund is defined as a fund receiving RIT interest or Resource Indemnity Ground Water Assessment (RIGWA) taxes

- Ground water assessment account funds groundwater monitoring and characterization studies
- Natural Resource Project funds grants and loans to address damage from non-renewable extraction as well. as funding for projects that conserve, develop or manage, or preserve resources.
- Hazardous Weste Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act (CERCLA) funds for the implementation of the Montane Hazardous Waste Act and state expenses for overseeing the federal
- Environmental Quality Protection Fund utilized to identify, investigate, negotiate and prosecute individuals/ pritties to achieve remedial action or recover costs and damages under the state superfund program.
- Environmental Contingency Account controlled by the Governor for the purpose of responding to emergent or imminent threats to the environment.
- Future Fisheries funds to reclaim habitat and spawning areas of the buil and culthroat trout
- Oil & Gas Production Mitigation Account funds for property plugging a well and either reclaiming or restoring. or both, a drill site or other drilling or producing area damaged by oil and gas operations
- Natural Resource Operations funds to support the natural resource programs within state government.
- Water Storage Account repair and maintenance of state owned water facilities.
- CERCLA General Obligation Debt Service used to pay the debt services on state bonds issued in support of CERCLA or Superfund Law

#### TAX DESCRIPTIONS



Resource indemnity and ground water assessment (RIGWA) tax on the gross value of coal and most minerals.

All minerals taxed are assessed a \$25 base tax.

Coal - 0.4% of the gross value

Minerals - 0.5% of the gross value

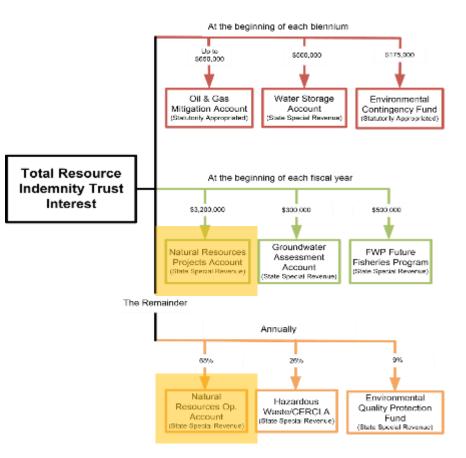
Talc - 4% of the gross value

Vermiculite - 2% of the gross value

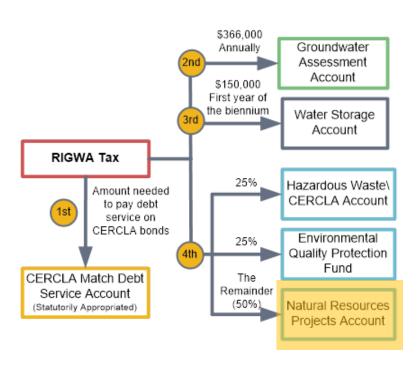
Limestone -10% of the gross value

Garnets -1% of the gross value

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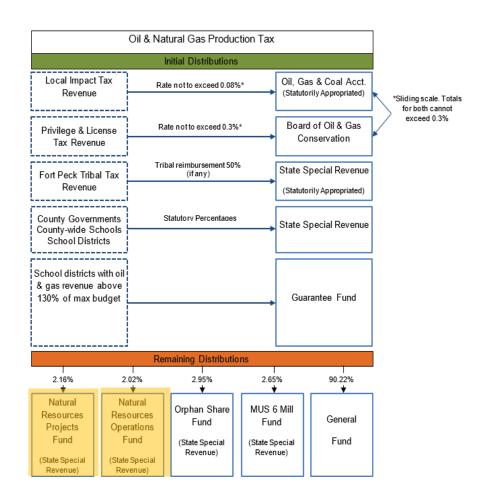
#### **RIGWA TAX - DISTRIBUTION**



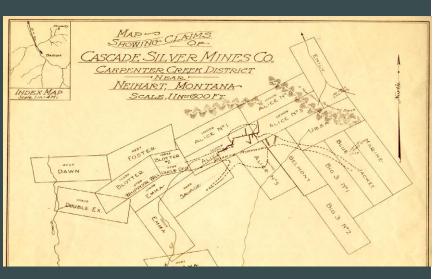
## Oil & Natural Gas Production Tax



Tax is imposed on the production of oil and natural gas in the state.

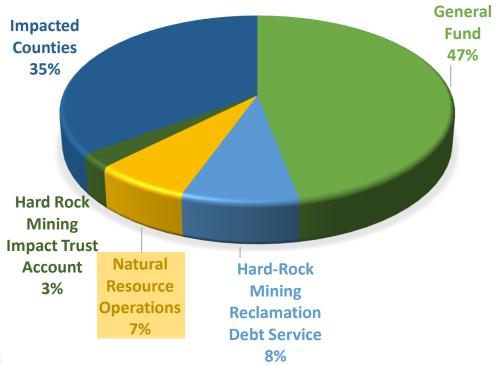


## Metalliferous Mines Tax



The metalliferous mines license tax is imposed on the production of metals, gems or stones in the state.

#### TAX DISTRIBUTION





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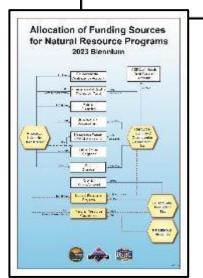
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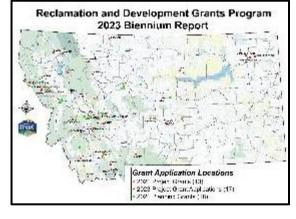
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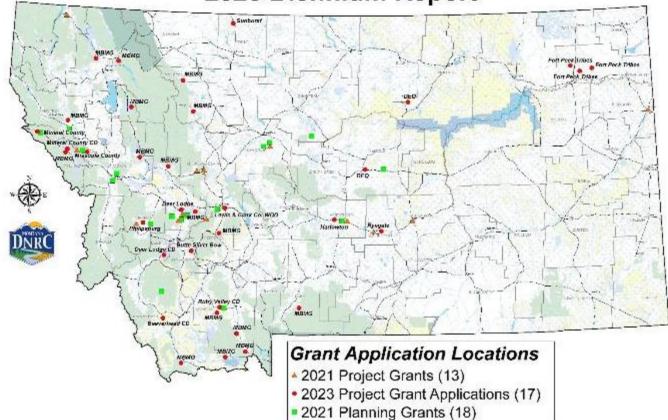




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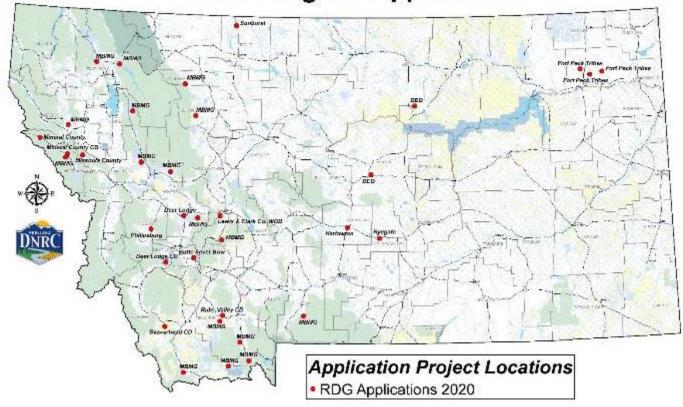








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Flat Creek flows into the Clark Fork River at the town of Superior and has a history of extensive mining in the drainage. Heavy metal contamination originated from the Iron Mountain Mine and the associated tailings were deposited along the nearby creek, hillslopes and floodplains. The tailings have high levels of Arsenic, Lead, and Zine.



A Cooperative Project
Between the
Mineral County CD
U.S. Forest Service and
Trout Unlimited



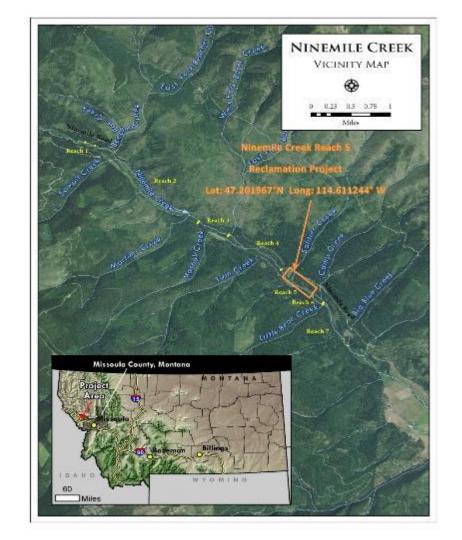
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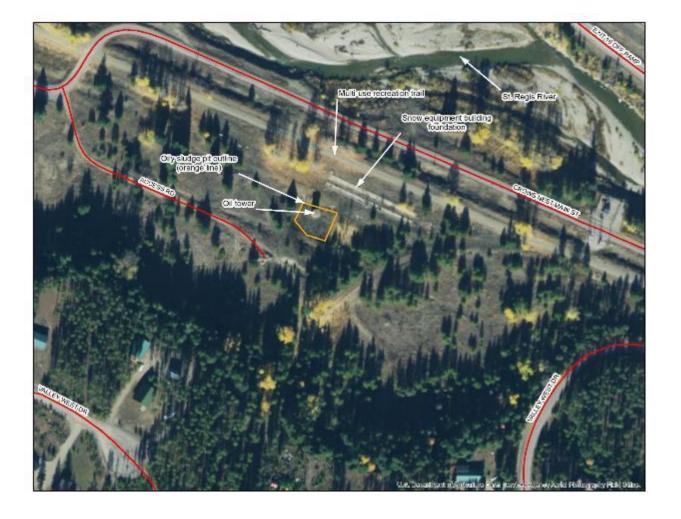
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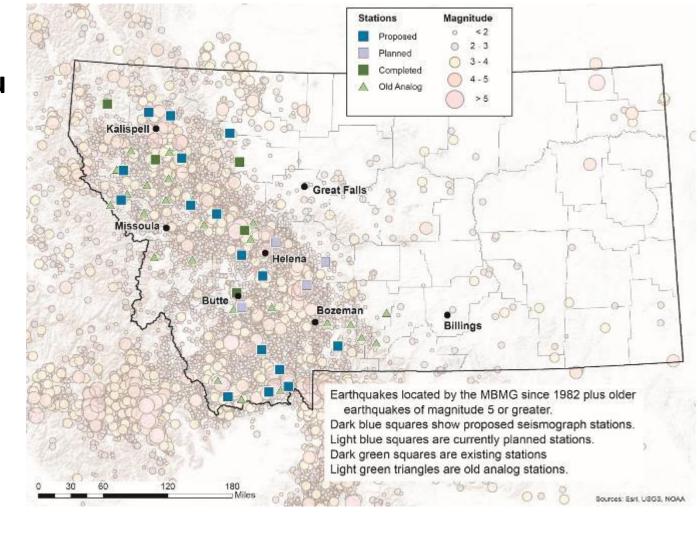
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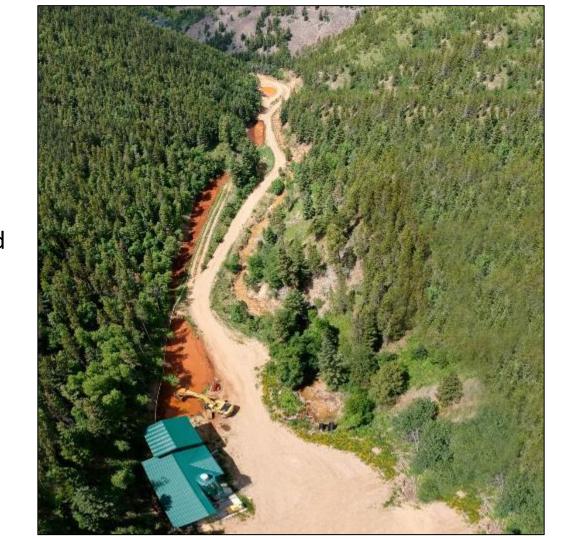
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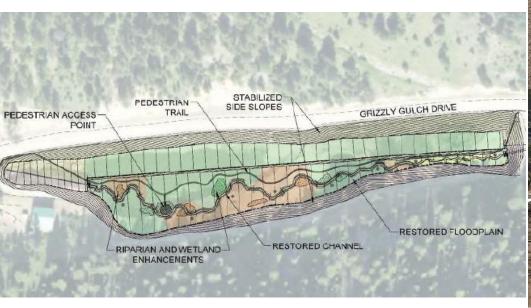


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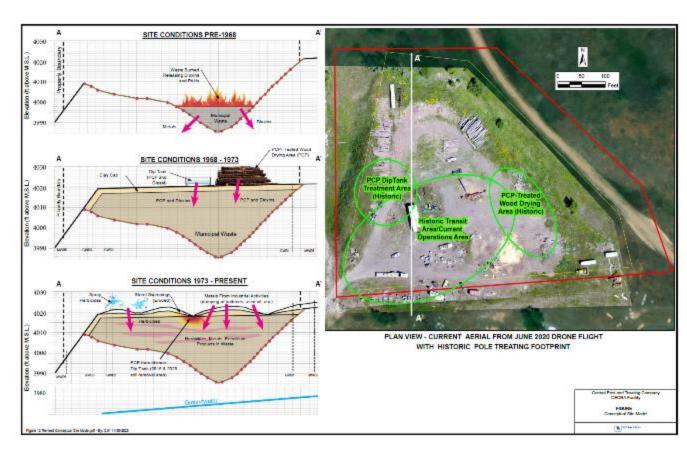
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#### Butte-Silver Bow Butte Mining District Reclamation & Protection Project - Phase V

Anselmo Mineyard







Steward Mineyard







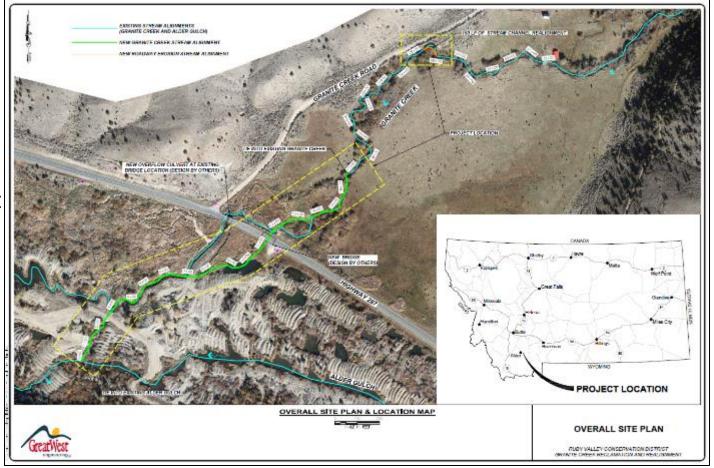
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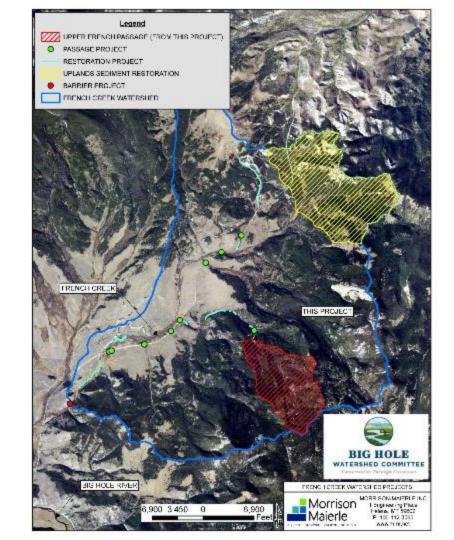




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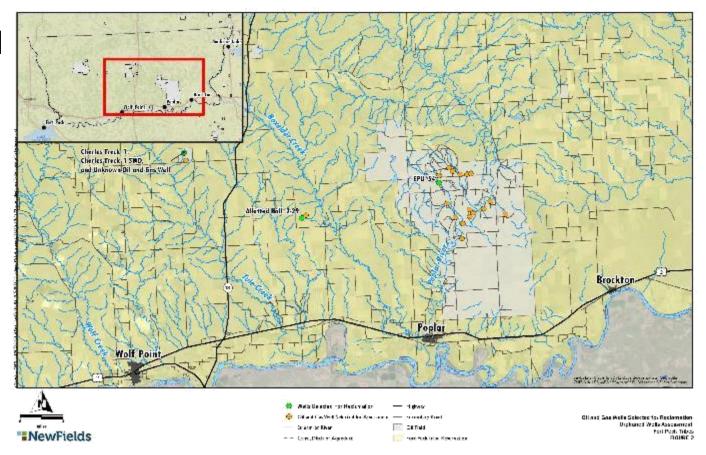
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