

# National Fire Plan

## Funds Replace Fences



*Montana* - Rancher Jerry Ehmann lost more than seven miles of fence in the Bitterroot Valley fires of 2000. If he had not received financial help from the National Fire Plan to rebuild them, he would have had to stop ranching. He was fortunate to have enough land to allow the burned areas to recover without

reducing his herd of 250 cattle. However, he needed fences to keep the animals contained on healthy range. When the USDA Forest Service came in with this aid to help us ranchers put fences back, it was a godsend they did a fantastic job to help us get back on our feet. I was sure glad they were here, Ehmann said.

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