



MEMORANDUM

TO: Fish & Wildlife Commission **DATE:** December 22, 2023

FROM: Fisheries Division, Fish Habitat Bureau

SUBJECT: Future Fisheries Program Applications (Winter 2024 Funding Cycle)

Below is a summary of the Winter 2024 Future Fisheries Improvement Program projects. The applications and meeting materials also can be reviewed on the FWP website at: <https://fwp.mt.gov/ffip> under *Winter 2024 Future Fisheries Applications*. The public has an opportunity to review these applications and submit comments directly through the Future Fisheries webpage. This is the second of four funding cycles of the biennium.

The Future Fisheries Citizen Review Panel made funding recommendations on December 12th and 13th, 2023, for a total recommendation of \$1,124,752. Files included within this commission package are **1) funding recommendations of FWP staff and the Citizen Review Panel (including links to the applications), 2) the results of the prioritization exercise (ARM 12.7.1203), and 3) a report to summarize 2023 Program activities**. Please feel free to contact the Future Fisheries Coordinator (Michelle McGree; mmcgree@mt.gov, 444-2432) if you have any questions or comments regarding these applications or the Future Fisheries Improvement Program.

Winter 2024 Future Fisheries Application Summary

Project #	Project Name	County	Region	Request	Panel Recommendation
008-2024	Flathead Creek streambank restoration	Gallatin	3	\$100,375.00	\$100,375.00
012-2024	Little Casino Creek fish passage	Fergus	4	\$32,625.00	\$32,625.00
005-2024	Fifer Gulch stream restoration	Anaconda-Deer Lodge	2	\$154,730.00	\$143,730.00
006-2024	First Chance Gulch habitat improvements	Deer Lodge	3	\$24,000.00	\$24,000.00
001-2024	Albert Creek culvert replacement	Missoula	2	\$45,300.00	\$45,300.00
007-2024	Flat Creek tailings removal and restoration	Mineral	2	\$53,310.00	\$53,310.00
013-2024	Marshall Creek riparian fencing	Missoula	2	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00
003-2024	Blind Canyon Creek fish barrier	Beaverhead	3	\$20,000.00	\$20,000.00
018-2024	Parsons Slough Willow Springs water lease	Madison	3	\$50,000.00	\$50,000.00
002-2024	Benedict Creek fish passage	Missoula	2	\$11,400.00	\$11,400.00
016-2024	Nevada Creek restoration phase 7	Powell	2	\$275,000.00	\$150,000.00
014-2024	Miller Creek restoration Leik property	Missoula	2	\$69,790.00	\$69,790.00
020-2024	Tin Cup Creek fish screen update	Ravalli	2	\$18,200.00	\$18,200.00
017-2024	North Burnt Fork Creek fish passage supplement	Ravalli	2	\$75,190.00	\$55,190.00
010-2024	Granite Creek Upper Alder restoration	Madison	3	\$100,000.00	\$100,000.00
019-2024	Paulo Reservoir storage and habitat	Valley	6	\$33,181.00	\$33,181.00
009-2024	Governor Creek streambank restoration	Beaverhead	3	\$16,400.00	\$16,400.00
011-2024	Hellroaring Creek streambank restoration	Madison	3	\$10,400.00	\$10,400.00
004-2024	Cattail Creek spawning enhancement	Madison	3	\$107,358.00	\$105,558.00
015-2024	Moore Creek restoration phase 1	Madison	3	\$93,296.00	\$83,293.00*
021-2024	Warm Springs fish passage improvement	Deer Lodge	2	\$52,800.00	\$0.00

*A contingency is attached to the motion. See the funding recommendations document for detail.