

2023 FUTURE FISHERIES STATUS REPORT

Grants Approved	February 2023 & August 2023	The Year In Review
Projects Funded	18	01/01/2023 - 12/31/2023
Approved Funding	\$902,804	

HIGHLIGHTS

- Project funding generated \$3.7 million in matching dollars
- 14 projects were completed, from grant cycles between 2016-2023

UPDATES

- The 2023 Legislative Session brought \$2 Million in authority for FY2024/2025. This is an increase of approximately \$700,000.
- FWP is working to allocate all unspent Program authority. Time between project approval, construction, and billing makes this challenging, but we are on track to meet this goal.
 - All of the authority from previous Legislative Sessions (before 2023) has been allocated to new projects.
 - The Winter 2024 funding cycle (not included in this summary) includes a recommendation for \$1.12 million in grants.

NEXT STEPS

Upcoming Grant Cycles

- Three grant cycles remain in the 2024/2025 Biennium
 - Winter 2024, Summer 2024, Winter 2025
- Emphasis will be placed on spending existing authority
 - Focus on responsible spending, priority fish habitat projects
 - Use of matching dollars to extend FFIP funds

FUNDED PROJECTS

Project name (Region)	Applicant	Award	Status
Bull River Riparian Function Restoration (R1)	Lower Clark Fork Watershed Group	\$30,000	In progress
Flint Creek riparian restoration phase 2B (R2)	Trout Unlimited	\$42,900	Completed
Granite Creek Fish Passage (R2)	Clark Fork Coalition	\$85,000	Completed
Little Boulder River restoration (R3)	Landowner	\$26,125	2024
McKinley Lake dam removal (R2)	Trout Unlimited	\$30,000	2024
Nevada Creek restoration phase 6 (R2)	Big Blackfoot Chapter of Trout Unlimited	\$103,000	Completed
North Burnt Fork Creek fish passage reconnection (R2)	Trout Unlimited	\$39,970	2024
O'Brien Creek Meadows stream restoration (R2)	Clark Fork Coalition	\$43,888	In progress
Prickly Pear Creek Simmental fish screen (R4)	Pat Barnes Chapter of Trout Unlimited	\$33,607	Completed
Spring Coulee Creek culvert replacement (R4)	Teton County	\$40,830	In progress
Brackett Creek streambank restoration (R3)	Trout Unlimited	\$85,115	2024
Browns Gulch fish screens (R2)	Clark Fork Coalition	\$45,390	In progress
Chicken Creek fish screen (R2)	Trout Unlimited	\$25,965	2024
Grasshopper Creek mine tailings bank stabilization (R3)	Beaverhead CD	\$27,765	2024
Middle Fork Rock Creek fish passage reconnection (R2)	Trout Unlimited	\$50,000	2024
Mount Haggin culvert removal and replacement (R3)	Big Hole Watershed Committee	\$29,789	2024
Musselshell River Rowton bank restoration (R4)	Winnett Aces	\$118,461	2024
South Fork North Fork Divide Creek fish passage (R3)	U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service	\$45,000	In progress

Future Reports: The Future Fisheries Improvement Program Legislative Report (summary of activities from April 1, 2022 to March 31, 2024) will be available September 2024.