

DECISION NOTICE

Fort Peck Fisheries Storage Building

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks Region Six 54078 US Highway 2 West Glasgow, MT 59230

October 9, 2013

PROPOSAL

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) is proposing to build a 32' X 78' storage building adjacent to an existing fisheries storage building located on United States Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) land at Fort Peck, Montana. The building would be maintained and owned by FWP.

AGENCY AUTHORITY FOR PROPOSED ACTION

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks (FWP) is authorized under 87-1-702 Montana Code Annotated (MCA) to perform acts necessary to the conduct of fish restoration and management projects, and has the power to enter into cooperative agreements on federal lands with the U.S. Government, as per 87-1-703 MCA. As per 87-1-201 (9)(b): the department shall work to balance maintenance or recovery of a listed species, a sensitive species, or a species that is a potential candidate for listing, with the social and economic impacts of species maintenance or recovery.

MONTANA ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY ACT (MEPA) PROCESS

The proposal has been outlined in an Environmental Assessment (EA) to satisfy the Montana Environmental Policy Act (MEPA). FWP is required to assess the impacts of the proposed action to the human and natural environment as directed by MEPA.

Under the MEPA process, a 31-day public comment period ran from July 10, 2013 through August 10, 2013.

ISSUES RAISED IN THE ENVIRONMENTAL ASSESSMENT (EA)

No comments were received during the public comment period.

GENERAL SUMMMARY OF PUBLIC COMMENTS

No written comments were received.

DECISION

After review of this proposal, it is my recommendation the proposed action be implemented as described.

Tom Flowers

Region 6 Supervisor Glasgow, Montana

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