

**FUTURE FISHERIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM
GRANT APPLICATION**

(please fill in the highlighted areas)

I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

A. Applicant Name: Eric Roberts

B. Mailing Address: PO Box 200701

C. City: Helena State: MT Zip: 59620

Telephone: 406-495-3272

D. Contact Person: Eric Roberts

Address if different from Applicant: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____

E. Landowner and/or Lessee Name
(if other than Applicant): Dolly McMaster

Mailing Address: PO Box 483

City: East Helena State: MT Zip: 59635

Telephone: 406-227-6639

II. PROJECT INFORMATION*

A. Project Name: Spokane Creek Fencing

River, stream, or lake: Spokane Creek

Location: Township 10N Range 2W Section 1

County: Lewis & Clark

B. Purpose of Project:
Fence approximately 190 feet of stream adjacent to a newly constructed bridge crossing.

C. Brief Project Description:
This project is a supplement to a project already under way on Spokane Creek to replace an undersized culvert crossing with a railroad car bridge. Additional fencing is needed to keep livestock out of the reconstructed stream reach.

D. Length of stream or size of lake that will be treated: 190 feet of stream will be fenced

E. Project Budget:

Grant Request (Dollars):

\$

Contribution by Applicant (Dollars):

\$

In-kind

\$

(salaries of government employees are not considered as matching contributions)

Contribution from other Sources (Dollars):

\$

In-kind

\$

(attach verification - See page 2 budget template)

Total Project Cost:

\$

F. Attach itemized (line item) budget – see template

G. Attach specific project plans, detailed sketches, plan views, photographs, maps, evidence of landowner consent, evidence of public support, and/or other information necessary to evaluate the merits of the project. If project involves water leasing or water salvage complete supplemental questionnaire (fwp.mt.gov/habitat/futurefisheries/supplement2.doc).

H. Attach land management and maintenance plans that will ensure protection of the reclaimed area.

III. PROJECT BENEFITS*

A. What species of fish will benefit from this project?:

Rainbow trout, brown trout

B. How will the project protect or enhance wild fish habitat?:

Fencing will exclude livestock from a newly constructed stream channel and promote growth of riparian vegetation.

C. Will the project improve fish populations and/or fishing? To what extent?:

The project will improve fish populations by promoting vegetation growth, which in turn provides fish cover, and shades the stream to moderate water temperature during periods of low flow.

D. Will the project increase public fishing opportunity for wild fish and, if so, how?:

The project is expected to improve fish abundance, which in turn can improve fishing opportunity. The land is currently under a conservation trust, where the land will be offered for public access upon death of the landowner.

E. If the project requires maintenance, what is your time commitment to this project?:

FWP will monitor the project, and assist with maintenance and upkeep as needed.

F. What was the cause of habitat degradation in the area of this project and how will the project correct the cause?:

The reach is heavily influenced by livestock grazing. Much of the Spokane Creek watershed is at relatively low elevation, making it prone to flash flooding during snow covered periods. Due to the flashy nature of the stream the undersized culvert would often flood and wash out the road bed. Construction of the new bridge should remedy this problem.

G. What public benefits will be realized from this project?:

Increased fish abundance, improved water quality.

H. Will the project interfere with water or property rights of adjacent landowners? (explain):

The proposed project is not expected to interfere with any water or property rights of adjacent landowners.

I. Will the project result in the development of commercial recreational use on the site?: (explain):

No.

J. Is this project associated with the reclamation of past mining activity?:

No.

Each approved project sponsor must enter into a written agreement with the Department specifying terms and duration of the project.

IV. AUTHORIZING STATEMENT

I (we) hereby declare that the information and all statements to this application are true, complete, and accurate to the best of my (our) knowledge and that the project or activity complies with rules of the Future Fisheries Improvement Program.

Applicant Signature:

[Redacted Signature]

Date:

[Redacted Date]

Sponsor (if applicable):

[Redacted Sponsor Information]

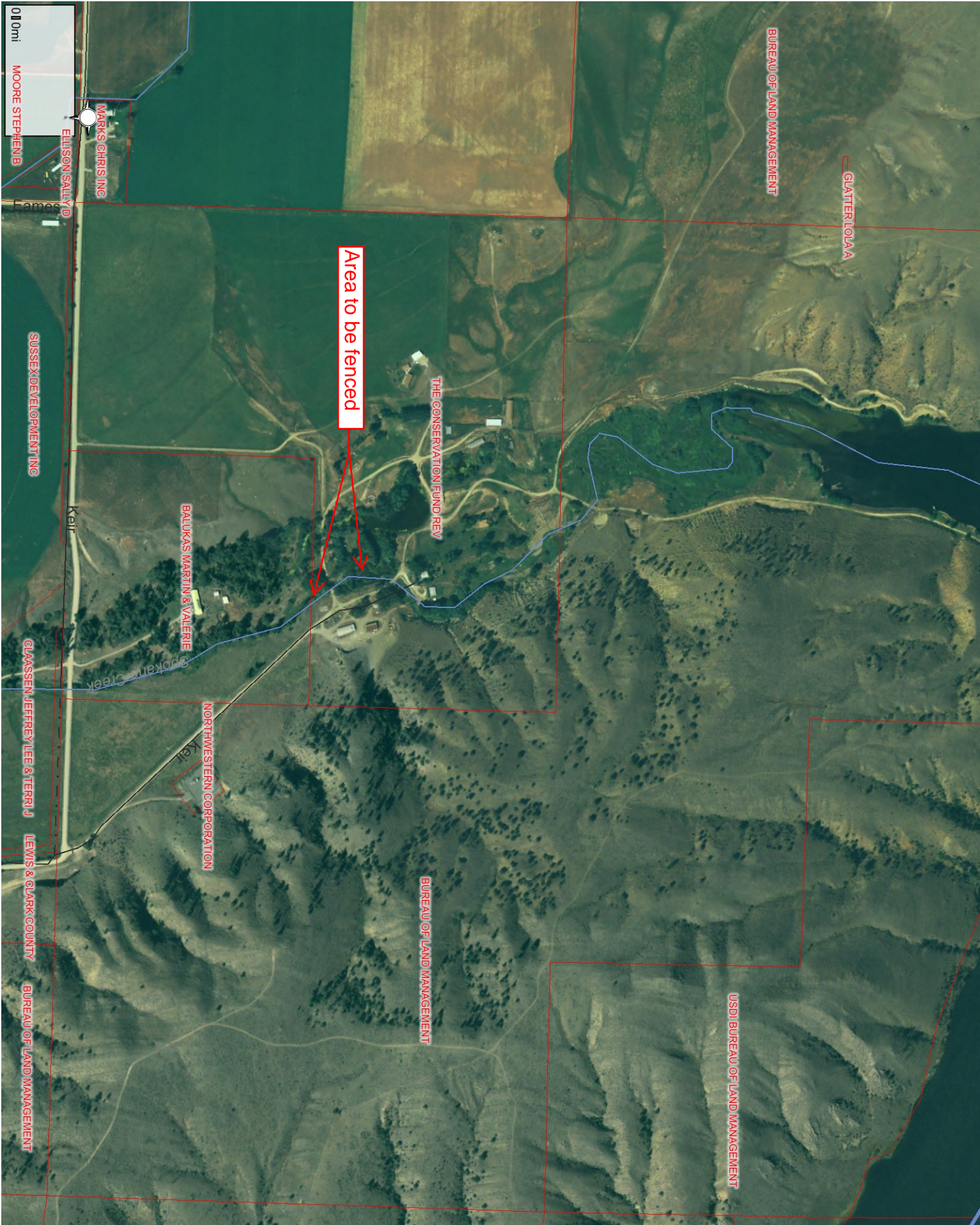
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**Mail To: Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks
Habitat Protection Bureau
PO Box 200701
Helena, MT 59620-0701**

Incomplete or late applications will be returned to applicant.

Applications may be rejected if this form is modified.

*****Applications may be submitted at anytime, but must be received by the Future Fisheries Program office in Helena before December 1 and June 1 of each year to be considered for the subsequent funding period.*****



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BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

Area to be fenced

THE CONSERVATION FUND REV

BALUKAS MARTIN & VALERIE

NORTHWESTERN CORPORATION

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

USDI BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

MARK'S CHRIS INC

ELLISON SALLY D

MOORE STEPHEN B

SUSSEX DEVELOPMENT INC

Kell

GLASSSEN JEFFREY LEE & TERRI J

LEWIS & CLARK COUNTY

BUREAU OF LAND MANAGEMENT

FAMES

0.01 mi



Figure 1: New bridge over Spokane Creek under construction. Fencing will be on the left bank in the picture.