

## FUTURE FISHERIES IMPROVEMENT PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION

(Please fill in the highlighted areas)

\*all sections (IA, IB, IC, etc.) must be addressed or the application will be considered invalid\*

### I. APPLICANT INFORMATION

- A. Applicant Name: John and Mikell Bodner
- B. Mailing Address: 126 Otter Creek Road
- C. City: Raynesford State: MT Zip: 59469
- Telephone: 406-738-4292 E-mail: [bodnerds@hotmail.com](mailto:bodnerds@hotmail.com)
- D. Contact Person: John Bodner
- Address if different from Applicant: \_\_\_\_\_
- City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
- Telephone: 406-207-0998 E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_
- E. Landowner and/or Lessee Name  
(if other than Applicant): \_\_\_\_\_
- Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_
- City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_
- Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

### II. PROJECT INFORMATION\*

- A. Project Name: Williams Creek Restoration
- River, stream, or lake: Williams Creek
- Location: Township: 17N Range: 8E Section: 3
- Latitude: 47°16'03.23N Longitude: 41°41'58.96" *within project (decimal degrees)*
- County: Judith Basin
- B. Purpose of Project:
- To restore and protect lower Williams Creek a tributary of Big Otter Creek 400 yards from the confluence. Remove cattle from riparian area and allow natural vegetation to regrow to decrease sediment and to decrease water temperatures.

## C. Brief Project Description:

The project will include building one mile of wildlife friendly fence to remove cows. A hardened creek crossing will be built. A spring will be developed to allow for a stock water source. A relatively small length of creek is affected by a dense concentration of cattle as this is the only water source available

D. Length of stream or size of lake that will be treated: 8/10 of a mile

## E. Project Budget:

**Grant Request (Dollars): \$ 9,220.00**

Contribution by Applicant (Dollars): \$ 4,368.00 In-kind \$ 4,752.00

(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: \$ 18,340.00**

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 fish biologist 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](http://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?:

Brown trout, Rainbow trout and Brook trout

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

Restore native vegetation, decrease sediment and remove cows.

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

Yes, especially spawning populations.

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

Our ranch has always been open for fishing.

E. The project agreement includes a 20-year maintenance commitment. Please discuss your ability to meet this commitment.

My ability to meet this commitment is in my best interest and will continue to be.

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

Dense concentration of cattle has caused the degradation. A fence to protect the creek will be built and an additional water source will be developed.

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

Fishing habitat will improve.

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

No

- 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:

11-29-2016

Sponsor (if applicable):

Jason Mullen Region 4 Fisheries Biologist

**\*Highlighted boxes will automatically expand.**

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

**E-mail To: Michelle McGree  
[mmcgree@mt.gov](mailto:mmcgree@mt.gov)**

**(electronic submissions MUST be signed)**

**Incomplete or late applications will be rejected and returned to applicant.  
Applications may be rejected if this form is modified.**

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

**BUDGET TEMPLATE SHEET FOR FUTURE FISHERIES PROGRAM APPLICATIONS**

Both tables must be completed or the application will be returned

WORK ITEMS (ITEMIZE BY CATEGORY)	NUMBER OF UNITS	UNIT DESCRIPTION*	COST/UNIT	TOTAL COST	CONTRIBUTIONS			
					FUTURE FISHERIES REQUEST	IN-KIND SERVICES**	IN-KIND CASH	TOTAL
<b>Personnel***</b>								
Survey				\$ -				\$ -
Design				\$ -				\$ -
Engineering				\$ -				\$ -
Permitting				\$ -				\$ -
Oversight				\$ -				\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -
			Sub-Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Travel</b>								
Mileage				\$ -				\$ -
Per diem				\$ -				\$ -
			Sub-Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>Construction Materials****</b>								
Fence	5280	linear ft	\$0.60	\$ 3,168.00	-		3,168.00	\$ 3,168.00
Stock Tank	1		\$899.00	\$ 899.00	899.00			\$ 899.00
Pipe,fittings,etc	1		\$1,721.00	\$ 1,721.00	1,721.00			\$ 1,721.00
Gravel	80	cubic yds	\$15.00	\$ 1,200.00			1,200.00	\$ 1,200.00
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			Sub-Total	\$ 6,988.00	\$ 2,620.00	\$ -	\$ 4,368.00	\$ 6,988.00
<b>Equipment and Labor</b>								
Excavator	16	hours	\$175.00	\$ 2,800.00	2,800.00			\$ 2,800.00
Dozer	4	hours	\$200.00	\$ 800.00	800.00			\$ 800.00
Skid steer	24	hours	\$125.00	\$ 3,000.00	3,000.00			\$ 3,000.00
				\$ -				\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -
Fence Labor	5280	linear ft	\$0.90	\$ 4,752.00		4,752.00		\$ 4,752.00
			Sub-Total	\$ 11,352.00	\$ 6,600.00	\$ 4,752.00	\$ -	\$ 11,352.00
<b>Mobilization</b>								
				\$ -				\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -
				\$ -				\$ -
			Sub-Total	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
<b>TOTALS</b>				\$ 18,340.00	\$ 9,220.00	\$ 4,752.00	\$ 4,368.00	\$ 18,340.00



# Untitled Map

Write a description for your map.

Williams Creek riparian fencing

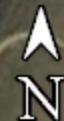
## Legend

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-  Feature 1
-  Feature 2
-  Proposed Williams Creek Fence
-  Proposed new Fence

 Proposed Fence

 Spring Development





## Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

29 November 2016

4600 Giant Springs Road  
Great Falls, MT 59405  
Phone (406) 454-5853

Future Fisheries Panel,

I'd like to express my support for the Future Fisheries project submitted by John Bodner on Williams Creek. Williams Creek is a small stream that flows into Big Otter Creek. Williams Creek is of sufficient size to support fish and Big Otter Creek provides a popular recreational fishery for brown trout, rainbow trout, and brook trout.

Currently, cattle congregate on the stream bottom of Williams Creek. Mr. Bodner would like to fence off the bottom of Williams Creek, construct a hardened crossing, and develop a spring for off-stream watering. This area of Williams Creek that would be fenced is approximately 400 yards upstream from the confluence with Big Otter Creek.

This project would provide a natural resource benefit to the fishery in Williams Creek and Big Otter Creek by reducing sedimentation, increasing riparian growth, and reducing temperature. As such, I support this project being proposed by Mr. Bodner and encourage the future fisheries panel to consider funding this project. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at 454-5855.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "J. A. Mullen". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

Jason Mullen  
Fisheries Biologist