FUTURE FISHERIES PROJECT RANKING WINTER 2019 FUNDING CYCLE

Project ranking committee:

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Montana ARM Rule 12.7.1203

(1) Eligible projects that have been approved by the review panel will be reviewed, evaluated and ranked by a committee that includes at least two department personnel with a background in fishery biology and an understanding of the habitat requirements of fish and one member of the review panel.

The Committee's ranking of the Future Fisheries Projects approved for funding by the Citizen Review Panel during the Winter 2019 funding cycle are as follows. All prioritized projects fall under the Native Species Enhancement Program (RIT dollars).

Winter 2019 Future Fisheries Applications - Ranking scores					
FINAL SCORES					
			REVIEW		
		Program cost	Adjusted score	Total Points	REVIEW
Project #	Project Name	(\$)	(of 100)	(of 300)	Rank
008-2019	Rattlesnake Creek dam removal	\$50,000.00	93	278	1
003-2019	Crow Creek phase 2 stream restoration	\$23,000.00	88	263	2
010-2019	Selway Creek fish barrier	\$80,000.00	85	256	3
007-2019	Nevada Creek Phase 3A reconstruction	\$49,000.00	84	253	4
001-2019	Big Creek water lease	\$51,150.00	78	235	5
009-2019	Ross Fork Rock Creek fish passage	\$21,400.00	77	230	6
005-2019	Hells Canyon Creek	\$47,500.00	64	192	7
006-2019	Lolo Creek fish screen	\$5,000.00	62	186	8
011-2019	Wilson Ditch fish screen	\$28,083.00	61	184	9
002-2019	Cottonwood Creek irrigation diversion repair	\$7,589.60	59	177	10

Rankings are based on: 1) benefits to native fish; 2) public benefits; 3) importance of the water body; 4) long-term effectiveness; 5) benefits relative to cost; and 6) cost share.

The ranking committee and Citizen Review Panel recommends that the top prioritized projects receive final funding approval, at the level of the Program cost (Citizen Panel recommendations). Due to limited funds, projects below the red line (ranked 8, 9, and 10) are not recommended for funding.