



**MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** Fish & Wildlife Commission **DATE:** December 21, 2022

**FROM:** Fisheries Division, Fish Habitat Bureau

**SUBJECT:** Future Fisheries Program Applications (Winter 2023 Funding Cycle)

Below is a summary of the Winter 2023 Future Fisheries applications. These applications can be reviewed on the FWP website at: <https://fwp.mt.gov/ffip> under *Winter 2023 Future Fisheries Applications*. Direct links are also available in the included 2023 Winter Funding Recommendations document. The public has an opportunity to review these applications and submit comments directly through the webpage. This is the fourth of four funding cycles of the biennium.

The Future Fisheries Citizen Review Panel made funding recommendations on December 15<sup>th</sup>, 2022. The funding recommendations of FWP staff and the Citizen Review Panel are included and are found online (<https://myfwp.mt.gov/getRepositoryFile?objectID=107745>). The prioritization exercise (ARM 12.7.1203) has been completed and is included in the Commission package. A legislative report was recently completed for the Program, highlighting activities since the previous legislative session, and can be found on the FWP legislative report webpage or <https://myfwp.mt.gov/getRepositoryFile?objectID=106375>. Please feel free to contact the Future Fisheries Coordinator (Michelle McGree; [mmcgree@mt.gov](mailto:mmcgree@mt.gov), (406) 444-2432) if you have any questions or comments regarding these applications or the Future Fisheries Improvement Program.

**Winter 2023 Future Fisheries Application Summary**

Project #	Project Name	APPLICANT	Request	Contribution	Panel Recommendation
010-2023	Prickly Pear Creek Simmental fish screen	Pat Barnes Chapter of TU	\$43,000.00	56%	\$33,606.50
005-2023	Little Boulder River restoration	Landowner	\$30,870.00	87%	\$26,125.00
001-2023	Brackett Creek Habitat Improvement and Erosion Control	Trout Unlimited	\$26,000.00	69%	Table
002-2023	Bull River Riparian Function Restoration	LCFWG	\$30,000.00	87%	\$30,000.00
003-2023	Flint Creek riparian restoration phase 2B	Trout Unlimited	\$39,000.00	70%	\$39,000.00
006-2023	McKinley Lake dam removal	Trout Unlimited	\$30,000.00	90%	\$30,000.00
007-2023	Nevada Creek restoration phase 6	Big Blackfoot Chapter of Trout Unlimited	\$103,000.00	91%	\$103,000.00
008-2023	North Burnt Fork Creek fish passage reconnection	Trout Unlimited	\$39,970.00	82%	\$39,970.00
004-2023	Granite Creek Fish Passage	Clark Fork Coalition	\$85,000.00	68%	\$85,000.00
009-2023	O'Brien Creek Meadows stream restoration	Clark Fork Coalition	\$43,888.00	74%	\$43,888.00
011-2023	Spring Coulee Creek Culvert Replacement	Teton Co. Road Dept	\$40,830.00	46%	\$40,830.00

Requested	Panel Recommendation
\$511,558.00	\$471,419.50