

FUTURE FISHERIES PROJECT RANKING WINTER 2020 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 2020 funding cycle are as follows. All projects, except for Project 010-2020, fall under the Native Species Enhancement Program (RIT dollars).

Winter 2020 Future Fisheries Applications - Ranking scores					
FINAL SCORES					
Project #	Project Name	Program cost (\$)	REVIEW Adjusted score (of 100)	Total Points (of 300)	REVIEW Rank
001-2020	Boles Creek fish screening and passage	\$25,625.00	84	251	1
008-2020	Nevada Creek phase 4 stream restoration	\$66,000.00	82	245	2
003-2020	Doolittle Creek fish barrier	\$10,000.00	80	241	3
012-2020	Wheelbarrow Creek Threemile fish passage	\$18,920.00	79	236	4
005-2020	Lee and West Fork Lolo Creeks fish passage improvement and decommissioning	\$30,500.00	78	235	5
002-2020	Cottonwood Creek fish barrier	\$7,500.00	77	231	6
011-2020	Wall Creek fish barrier supplement	\$ 20,000.00	76	228	7
009-2020	O'Neill Creek culvert replacement	\$15,250.00	70	209	8
004-2020	Eagle Creek YCT connectivity	\$43,780.00	68	205	9
010-2020	Reser Reservoir dam reconstruction and fish habitat improvement	\$40,000.00	65	194	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 all prioritized projects receive final funding approval, at the level of Citizen Panel recommendations (Program Cost).