FUTURE FISHERIES PROJECT RANKING WINTER 2022 FUNDING CYCLE

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 <u>Winter 2022</u> funding cycle are as follows:

Winter 2022 Future Fisheries Applications - Final Scores				
Project #	Project Name	Program cost (\$)	Total Points (of 300)	REVIEW Rank
012-2022	Upper Red Rock Lake overwinter habitat	\$100,000.00	261	1
006-2022	Johnson Creek fish screen	\$7,750.00	260	2
013-2022	Upper Ruby River restoration project phase 2	\$46,309.00	259	3
008-2022	Murphy Spring Creek instream flow restoration renewal	\$15,000.00	259	3
009-2022	Nevada Creek restoration project phase 5	\$35,000.00	256	5
001-2022	Blackfoot River fish screen	\$8,900.00	255	6
004-2022	Flint Creek riparian restoration phase 2	\$37,500.00	253	7
003-2022	East Fork Lolo and Lost Park Creeks instream habitat enhancement	\$33,000.00	253	7
007-2022	Mill Creek 5 Bar 6 restoration project	\$25,002.44	251	9
010-2022	Shields River Chadborne Diversion retrofit	\$11,244.00	241	10
002-2022	Browns Gulch fish screen	\$20,500.00	224	11

Rankings are based on: 1) benefits to native fish; 2) public benefits; 3) importance of the waterbody; 4) long-term effectiveness; 5) benefits relative to cost; and 6) cost share. The ranking committee and Citizen Review Panel recommends that prioritized projects receive final funding approval according to the Program cost (above).