

Weekly Update

Milltown Reservoir Sediments Superfund Site

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These weekly updates are intended to provide you with the latest information about remediation, restoration and redevelopment activities at the Milltown Reservoir.

Status: The Milltown Reservoir cleanup project is going well and is on schedule for dam removal in spring 2008. On site, 36,899 hours worked without time lost due to injuries.

Currently:

- Continue excavating, hauling and stockpiling soils for later use in re-vegetation.
- Continue chipping woody debris. The chips will be mixed with soils and used for site re-vegetation.
- Finish upper end of Clark Fork River Berm at inlet of bypass channel where sheet piling in original design, were to be placed. Finish placing final rip rap veneer on berm.
- Continue placing rip rap for "launch pad" on the Blackfoot River flood berm. Finish placing fabric on the outside of sheet pile; begin placing rip rap (1700 cubic yards).
- Finished rip rap on Penstock bays 3,4 & 5 (32 tons). Bay 2 will be done later after final tests on the first 3 penstocks. Powerhouse operators are now freely running 1750 cubic feet/second (cfs) through the penstocks (with turbines removed).
- Construction continues on the rail spur sub-grade and loading pad.
- Finish construction of main on-site haul road.
- Started pulling temporary berm surrounding test-area sediment; 3/4 of material will be used on the BFR berm and 1/4 on the CFR berm.
- Began sedimentation pond construction.
- Began stabilization of the Stimson Lumber cooling pond berm. This will help the cooling ponds withstand flooding after the dam is removed. 1800 cubic yards (2500 tons) of rip rap will be put in place over the next 2 weeks.
- Next week, surveying begins for the cross-over lanes on I-90.

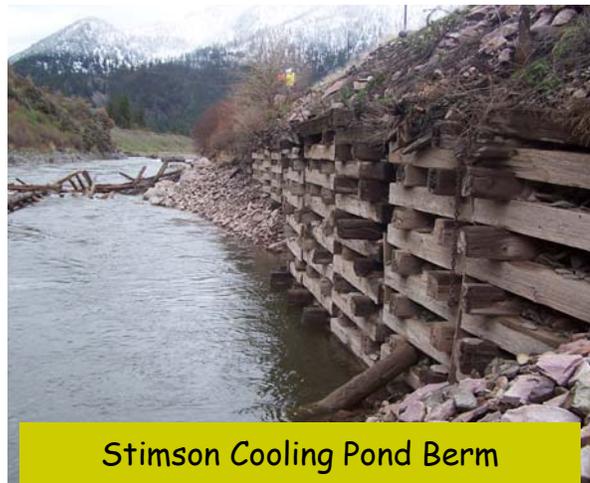
Placing rip rap on outer edge of sheet pile on the Blackfoot River



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Upcoming Meetings

- **Tuesday, April 24**
EPA Assistant Regional Administrator site visit
- **Tuesday, April 24**
Milltown Redevelopment Working Group monthly meeting 6:30—9:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Bonner
- **Tuesday, May**
Design Review Team meeting and site tour
- **Tuesday, May 8**
10—11 am Community Health and Safety Meeting, Piltzville Fire Station



Stimson Cooling Pond Berm on the Blackfoot River

Woody debris chipped for use on site



Milltown Project Schedule

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| 2007 | Build haul roads
Build flood berms
Bridge mitigation
Build bypass channel
Build pedestrian trail
Construct rail lines |
| 2008 | Stage 2 drawdown
Build coffer dam
Diversion of CFR
Spillway removal
Sediment removal
Dam removal
Powerhouse removal
Rail hauling sediment
Restoration
Redevelopment |
| 2009 | Sediment removal
Rail hauling sediment
Restoration
Redevelopment |
| 2010 | Restoration
Redevelopment |
| 2011 | Restoration
Redevelopment |

Natural Resource Damage Program Meetings Re: Funding for the Bonner Pedestrian Bridge

- **Tuesday, May 8 at 1:00 pm**
Upper Clark Fork River Citizens Advisory Council at St. Ann's Church, Bonner
- **Thursday, May 10 at 10 am**
The Upper Clark Fork River Basin Trustee Restoration Council at the Fish Wildlife and Park's Directors Conference Room, 1420 East Sixth Avenue, Helena

Public comment is encouraged.

Written comments should be received by NRDP by **May 7, 2007** and be sent to:

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Using a crane to place rip rap on the Blackfoot River



Rip rap (instead of sheet pile) on Clark Fork River Berm

