

## 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.



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**Status:** The Milltown Reservoir cleanup project is going well and is on schedule for dam removal in spring 2008.

### Currently:

- Work is nearly finished on the Clark Fork River flood berm. All of the rock needed for the "launch pad" is now on-site and the number of trucks hauling daily will be reduced to 3-5 trucks. Each truck averages 5 round trips each day.
- Work continues on the Blackfoot River flood berm. Rip rap for the berm is slowly and carefully placed using a crane. Rip rap for the Blackfoot River berm are the only material currently being hauled onto the site. All flood berms will be complete in April.
- Continue installation of sheet piling for the bypass channel outlet. Site managers have modified the design to ease installation; 25' lengths of sheet pile are pounded into the alluvium and will be strong enough to withstand a 10-year flood event.
- All four turbines at the Powerhouse have been removed. Workers are now re-attaching and re-sealing the penstock casing. During periods of high flows, the "empty" penstocks will be able to pass approximately 500 cfs of water, helping to maintain a lower water level in the reservoir and allowing site work to continue.
- Continuing to screen soils. This work is needed to ensure that riprap and soils used on site are appropriate for construction of bypass channel and other site infrastructure.



Placement of Rip Rap for Blackfoot River Flood Berm

## Upcoming Meetings

- **Tuesday, April 3**  
History Roundtable  
Discussion at 4 pm at the Bonner School.  
Program: "Road to the Buffalo and "Bonner 1957-1964"
- **Wednesday, April 4**  
EPA Public Meeting and Community Fair at the Bonner School from 5:00—8:00 pm; Public meeting begins at 6:30 pm (childcare provided)
- **Tuesday, April 24**  
Milltown Redevelopment Working Group meeting 6:30—9:00 pm at the Lutheran Church in Bonner.

### Upcoming work:

- Finish construction of the Clark Fork River flood berm this week.
- Continue to place rip rap on the Blackfoot River flood berm.
- Continue work on the bypass channel outlet (using sheet piling); then work will begin on the bypass inlet structure.

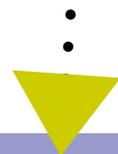


### Milltown Project Schedule

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



Installation of Sheet Piling along the Blackfoot River



### Community Involvement

The Milltown Community Information Office is now open! It is located near the Milltown Market at 315 Anaconda in Milltown.

EPA and DEQ staff are available to meet with you every Tuesday from noon until 3:30 pm. Stop by or give us a call at 258-5155.