

SECURE RURAL SCHOOLS AND COMMUNITY SELF-DETERMINATION ACT OF 2000
PUBLIC LAW 106-393
TITLE II PROJECT SUBMISSION FORM
USDA FOREST SERVICE

Name of Resource Advisory Committee: Lewis and Clark County

Project Number (Assigned by Designated Federal Official):

Funding Fiscal Year(s): fy 2008

2. Project Name: Mike Horse Dam Pre-mitigation Weed Inventory, Treatment and Aerial Survey	3a. State: Montana 3b. County(s): Lewis and Clark
4. Project Submitted By: JHS, Inc.	5. Date: 8/15/07
6. Contact Phone Number: (406) 443-7487	7. Contact E-mail: jhsinc@ixi.net

8. Project Location:	
a. National Forest(s): Lewis and Clark	b. Forest Service District: r1
c. Location (Township-Range-Section) 15N 6W sections 20, 21, 27 & 28	

9. Project Goals and Objectives: To create pre-mitigation baseline data of noxious weeds, to treat noxious weeds and to gather high resolution low-level aerial images of project area for before and after comparison. All data collected will be shared with the Forest Service, the County Weed Coordinator, and any of the Blackfoot River groups could use the data.

10. Project Description:

a. Brief: (*in one sentence*) To gather baseline data and treat noxious weeds before the dam removal process begins, and to gather and process aerial imagery to assist in the reclamation process.

b. Detailed: Noxious weeds will be inventoried and treated before heavy equipment enters the area for dam removal. Aerial imagery will help contractors restore the area to pre-mitigation levels.

11. Types of Lands Involved?

State/Private/Other lands involved? X Yes No

Land Status:

If Yes, specify: Project area includes National Forest and Asarco lands

12. How does the proposed project meet purposes of the Legislation? (Check at least 1)

Improves maintenance of existing infrastructure.

Implements stewardship objectives that enhance forest ecosystems.

X Restores and improves land health.

X Restores water quality

13. Project Type	
a. Check all that apply: (check at least 1)	
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Maintenance
<input type="checkbox"/> Road Decommission/Obliteration	<input type="checkbox"/> Trail Obliteration
<input type="checkbox"/> Other Infrastructure Maintenance (specify):	b. Primary Purpose (select only 1):
X Soil Productivity Improvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Forest Health Improvement
X Watershed Restoration & Maintenance	<input type="checkbox"/> Wildlife Habitat Restoration
<input type="checkbox"/> Fish Habitat Restoration	X Control of Noxious Weeds
X Reestablish Native Species	<input type="checkbox"/> Fuels Management/Fire Prevention
<input type="checkbox"/> Community Economic Benefit	<input type="checkbox"/> Other Project Type (specify):

14. Identify What the Project Will Accomplish
Miles of road maintained: Weeds controlled along 2 miles of road between Highway 200 and project area.
Miles of road decommissioned/obliterated:
Number of structures maintained/improved:
Acres of soil productivity improved: 214 acres
Miles of stream/river restored/improved: approx. 2 miles
Miles of fish habitat restored/improved: approx. 2 miles
Acres of native species reestablished: 214 acres
Miles of trail maintained:
Miles of trial obliterated:
Acres of forest health improved (including fuels reduction):
Acres of rangeland improved:
Acres of wildlife habitat restored/improved:
Acres of noxious weeds controlled: 214 acres
Timber volume generated:
Number of jobs generated: 300 laborer days
People reached (for environmental education projects/fire prevention):
Direct economic activity benefit: Fewer weeds to treat after dam removal.

Other:

15. Estimated Project Start Date: 10/01/07 **16. Estimated Project Completion Date: 09/30/08**

17. How will cooperative relationships among people that use federal lands be improved? List known partnerships or collaborative opportunities. The minimal spread of noxious weeds during the removal of Mike Horse Dam will benefit all users of the federal lands within the project area. The project will enlist collaborative efforts from Asarco to ensure proper weed management before, during and after removal of the Mike Horse Dam.

18. How is this project in the best interest of the community? Identify benefits to communities. Treatment of noxious weeds before the dam removal will assist in the prevention of spreading weeds by heavy equipment moving large amounts of soil in the project area

19. How does the project benefit federal lands/resources? Baseline data gathered will assist the Forest Service in determining the amount of noxious weed spread after the removal of the Mike Horse Dam, which will determine the effectiveness of the weed management efforts during the removal process.

20. What is the Proposed Method(s) of Accomplishment? (check at least 1)	
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Contract	<input type="checkbox"/> Federal Workforce
<input type="checkbox"/> County Workforce	<input type="checkbox"/> Volunteers
<input type="checkbox"/> Grant	<input type="checkbox"/> Agreement
<input type="checkbox"/> Americorps	<input type="checkbox"/> CCC Crews
<input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify):	

21. Will the Project Generate Merchantable Materials? Yes No

22. Anticipated Project Costs
a. Title II Funds Requested:
b. Is this a multi-year funding request? <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No (contingent on continuing Asarco funds)

23. Identify Source(s) of Other Funding: Matching funds from ASARCO for initial surveying and treatment. Asarco funds would be utilized for post dam removal surveys, evaluation and data comparison.

- 24. Monitoring Plan (provide as attachment)**
- a. Provide a plan that describes your process for tracking and explaining the effects of this project on your environmental and community goals outlined above.
 - b. Identify who will conduct the monitoring:
 - c. Identify total funding needed to carry out specified monitoring tasks (Worksheet 1, Item k):

25. Identify remedies for failure to comply with the terms of the agreement.
If project cannot be completed under the terms of this agreement:

X Unused funds will be returned to the RAC account.

Other, please explain:

Project Recommended By:

Chairperson

Lewis and Clark Resource Advisory Committee

Project Approved By:

Helena District Ranger

Helena National Forest

Project Cost Analysis Worksheet

Worksheet 1

Please submit this worksheet with your proposal

Item	Column A Fed. Agency Appropriated Contribution	Column B Requested Title II Contribution	Column C Other Contributions	Column D Total Available Funds
a. Field Work & Site Surveys	6,000		6,000	
b. NEPA/CEQA				
c. ESA Consultation				
d. Permit Acquisition				
e. Project Design & Engineering				
f. Contract/Grant Preparation				
g. Contract/Grant Administration				
h. Contract/Grant Cost				
i. Salaries	7,500		7,500	
j. Materials & Supplies	7,000		7,000	
k. Monitoring				
l. Other				
m. Project Sub-Total	20,500		20,500	
n. Indirect Costs	1,025		1,025	
o. Total Cost Estimate	21,525		21,525	43,050

NOTES:

- a. Pre-NEPA Costs
- g. Includes Contracting/Grant Officer Representative (COR) costs. Excludes Contracting/Grant Officer costs.
- i. Cost of implementing project
- l. Examples include overhead charges from other partners, vehicles, equipment rentals, travel, etc.
- n. Contracting/Grant Officer costs, if needed, are included as part of Indirect Costs.

ATTACHMENT

24. a. The specific project evaluations will be made utilizing baseline noxious weed inventory data and noxious weed treatment area data compiled into a GIS (Geographic Information System) database. Additionally, georeferenced high resolution aerial imagery from low level flights will be incorporated into the GIS database for reference and comparison to determine effectiveness of the desired objectives before and after the dam removal.
- b. The project will contribute the majority of grant funds to local contractors, who will conduct the noxious weed and aerial surveys, and the noxious weed treatment. The Lewis and Clark County Weed Coordinator will be responsible for monitoring this item.
- c. The estimated total funding required for the project, including matching funds, is \$42, 460.00