

# REQUEST FOR COMMENTS

**USDA Forest Service  
Uinta National Forest  
Heber Ranger District  
Wasatch County, Utah**

## **Proposed Restoration Work on Strawberry River**

The Heber Ranger District of the Uinta National Forest has received a proposal from the Utah Division of Wildlife Resources (UDWR) to perform restoration work on approximately ¼ mile of Strawberry River from Strawberry Reservoir to the UDWR spawning trap facilities (Section 12, T. 3 S., R. 12 W. and Section 7, T. 3 S, R. 11 W.). The main objective of the proposal is to improve instream fish habitat and upstream migration from the reservoir to the spawning facility. Other objectives are to restore and maintain properly functioning condition in this stream segment, provide interpretation/education opportunities for the public, and experiment with discouraging beaver activity for fish passage. The proposed action consists of the following:

1. Sloping incised stream banks and covering them with plant fiber to allow for vegetation to establish. Planting native riparian vegetation such as willows clippings, sedges and riparian grasses.
2. Properly placing rock and log vanes in stream at critical locations to protect stream banks and allow riparian vegetation to recover.
3. Utilizing willow clumps from the surrounding flood plain to stabilize banks and create shade for fish habitat.
4. Repair/reconstruct or extend existing boardwalk with additional interpretive signing on the river work for public education opportunities within the river corridor.
5. Experiment with discouraging beaver access and colonization in this stream segment with fencing and other methods that would not harm any beaver.

The public is invited to provide comments on this proposal. Comments should be as specific as possible and have a direct relationship to the proposal. Please send written comments to: Julie King, District Ranger, Heber Ranger District, P.O. Box 190, Heber City, UT 84032; phone: (435) 654-0470; FAX: (435) 435-654-5772; or e-mail: [comments-intermtn-uinta-heber@fs.fed.us](mailto:comments-intermtn-uinta-heber@fs.fed.us). Comments need to be postmarked or received within 30 days beginning the day following publication of this notice in the *Provo Daily Herald*. Comments may also be delivered to the above address during regular business hours of 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m., Monday-Friday, excluding federal holidays. Pursuant to 36 CFR 215, this legal notice provides an opportunity to comment on this proposal.

If you would like additional information please contact Julie King at (435) 654-0470.