



Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks

Region 1
490 N. Meridian Road
Kalispell, MT 59901

Decision Notice
and
Finding of No Significant Impact
for
**Trumbull Creek Channel Remediation 124 Permit Application
Environmental Assessment**

August 2, 2013

Description of the Proposed Action:

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks proposed to examine and make a decision on whether or not to grant approval for a Montana Stream Protection Act (SPA) 124 Permit application submitted by the Flathead Conservation District (FCD) for channel remediation on Trumbull Creek. The proposed project includes removal of vegetation and accumulated sediment on streambed and restoring level height. It also includes construction of a livestock watering area.

Public Comment:

FWP accepted public comment on the draft environmental assessment (EA) for a 30-day period, from June 19 through July 22, 2013. The EA was advertised through media releases and legal notices. Copies of the EA were available from the Kalispell FWP office, on the FWP web site, and at the Montana State Library and the Flathead County libraries.

Response to Comments:

Two comments were received, with one in favor of the proposal, while the other was from the Montana Department of Environmental Quality informing FWP that they issued a 318 permit for the proposed construction. No comments were received against the proposal. The one comment in support of the project was from a landowner that would be impacted by the proposal.

Finding of No Significant Impact:

Based on the analysis in the EA, I find Alternative B, the Proposed Action, to be the preferred alternative. FWP grants approval for a Montana Stream Protection Act 124 Permit to the Flathead Conservation District for channel remediation on Trumbull Creek. I have evaluated the EA and applicable laws, regulations, and policies and have determined that this action will not have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, an environmental impact statement will not be prepared.

James R. Satterfield, Jr.

August 2, 2013

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Regional Supervisor

Date