

MONTANA DEPARTMENT OF FISH, WILDLIFE AND PARKS

FISHERIES DIVISION
JOB PROGRESS REPORT

STATE: MONTANA PROJECT TITLE: STATEWIDE FISHERIES
INVESTIGATION
PROJECT NO: F-46-R-7 STUDY TITLE: SURVEY AND INVENTORY
OF COLDWATER STREAMS
JOB NO: I-P, JOB TITLE: WEST CENTRAL MONTANA COLDWATER
STREAM INVESTIGATIONS
PROJECT PERIOD: JULY 1, 1993 THROUGH JUNE 30, 1994

OBJECTIVES AND DEGREE OF ATTAINMENT

JOB OBJECTIVES:

1. To develop and implement habitat restoration and improved land use projects in cooperation with landowners and other resource agencies.

Progress was made on this objective. The seven habitat improvement projects completed in the Blackfoot River were a direct result of this project funding. An additional 5 projects are in progress and 10 more being planned. Important follow-up is also on-going in all project areas.

2. To identify areas needing maintenance and improvement: stream banks, channels, and spawning grounds in the Blackfoot River drainage.

Five new project areas were identified. Fish habitat improvement feasibility studies and negotiations with affected parties is in progress.

3. To communicate and coordinate fish management strategies and problems with the public and other resource agencies.

Most of the completed and planned habitat improvement projects have involved multi-agency and multi-resource coordination. Most of our time is spent communicating with affected parties for successful completion of habitat improvement projects.