## Cleanup Update

## Milltown Reservoir Sediments Superfund Site

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These updates are intended to provide you with the latest information about Remediation Restoration and Redevelopment activities at the Milltown Reservoir Sediments Superfund Site.



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## Remediation, Restoration, and Redevelopment

Work will resume in early spring 2012.

Status: The Milltown Project is temporarily shut down for winter;

- The Clark Fork River bypass channel has been removed, regraded, and re-vegetated. Some final regrading will be completed in the spring.
- Restoration work has been completed in the former reservoir area—the area was
  evaluated following the high spring flows of 2011 and re-routed, re-graded, and
  re-vegetated accordingly.
- Restoration of the former powerhouse area is being coordinated with FWP Parks;
   NRDP's work should be complete in 2012; FWP will complete its work in the area in 2012.
- Reclamation of the borrow areas (Bonner Development and Sheriff's Posse will be completed in 2012.
- Construction of the Milltown Bluff Overlook is completed; Look for announcements
  about a ribbon-cutting ceremony in spring 2012. Currently, FWP is putting the final
  touches on interpretive displays for the overlook. These displays will describe the
  remediation, restoration, redevelopment and highlight the historical and cultural
  significance of the confluence area.
- Fish, Wildlife, and Parks continues to lead the Milltown State Park planning efforts, focusing on the "Confluence" area. For more information about the planning efforts, visit: milltownstatepark.org
- The Milltown Project Team held its final construction meeting on Tuesday, November 22 and a public meeting on November 29, 2011, marking the near completion of remediation and restoration, and the ramping up of redevelopment activities.



## Upcoming Events



- Monday, January 9
   Milltown-Bonner
   Community Council
   meeting at 7 pm in the
   Bonner School Library
- Thursday, January 12
   Milltown Redevelopment
   Working Group special
   meeting to focus on
   historic interpretation
   6:30-8:30 pm at Our
   Savior's Lutheran Church
   in Bonner.
- Tuesday, January 24
   Milltown Redevelopment
   Working Group meeting
   6:30-8:30 pm at Our
   Savior's Lutheran Church
   in Bonner
- Bonner-Milltown History
  Center in the Bonner
  Post Office Bldg. Hours
  are 2:00 4:30 pm on
  Tues., Weds., Thurs.

View of the Milltown Site looking upstream, from the Milltown Bluff Overlook, 11/29/11



#### **Upcoming**

- Interpretive planning for the new park—is underway, funded by a Preserve America grant through the Montana State Historic Preservation Office.
- Spring/Summer 2012:
  - Official opening of the Milltown Bluff overlook
  - I-90 guard rail replacement
  - Regrading and redevelopment of former powerhouse area
  - Continued site monitoring (ground and surface water, fishery)
  - Complete borrow area restoration
  - Complete remediation
  - Complete restoration
  - Continue with Redevelopment

Public Tour of Milltown Project, 11/29/11 Discussing progress made on the 3Rs: Remediation, Restoration, Redevelopment



# PROJECT SCHEDULE 2011 Remediation Restoration Redevelopment 2012 Redevelopment

### Safety Reminder

DURING THE MILLTOWN CLEANUP,
THE CLARK FORK AND BLACKFOOT
RIVERS ARE STILL CLOSED
TO RIVER RECREATION ABOVE AND
BELOW THE PROJECT AREA.
Clark Fork River users must exit



the river at
Turah Fishing
Access; Blackfoot River users
must exit at
Weigh Station.

VIOLATORS and TRESPASSERS WILL BE FINED. For more information, contact Montana FWP at 542-5500.

