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Accomplishment/Progress Reporting

Project/Program Title:

Seiad Creek Off Channel Connection Project

USFWS Grant Number:

20-88G

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Dates covered by this report:

Start Date: 01/15/2020 End Date: 04/01/2020 Difference: 77 days

Briefly summarize (2-3) sentences) overall progress and accomplishments applicable to this time period.

We are currently awaiting permitting approval from CDFW for the larger site along Seiad Creek. The other two sites will not require permitting as MKWC has developed plans to complete manual work on the two Off-channel pond sites to increase connectivity quality and duration. We are currently seeking a qualified contractor to complete the mechanical work in the main channel on Seiad Creek which will entail adding three wood structures to increase flow into two side channels that provide increased high quality off-channel habitat, and with increased flow will dramatically improve connectivity to a 6000 square foot constructed off-channel rearing pond. Adding wood structures along with the small amount of excavation will encourage more natural stream processes to improve access to these sites. This work will also entail a small amount of excavation to allow water to spread out along the floodplain and into the above mentioned side channels.

Task specific/deliverable updates (for each task in the cooperative agreement, provide a brief update on progress; provide brief update on significant work toward, or completion of any deliverables from the cooperative agreement):

Current updates are that permit applications have been submitted to appropriate agencies and we are currently awaiting a response. MKWC is also seeking a contractor for the planned summer implementation.

Any significant developments beyond those reported for specific tasks/deliverables:

NA

Any delays/issues that are impacting or may impact progress of the project:

Due to the covid-19 pandemic, MKWC's field crews have been temporarily laid off until further notice. MKWC has plans to resume field activities starting in May. This is conditional on our crew members feeling safe and comfortable returning to field work. This also includes any and all contractors involved in projects. MKWC is currently seeking an equipment operator to complete all mechanical work. If cases in Siskiyou County or Humboldt County begin to rise at any point this summer, project

activities might need to be delayed in order to protect the safety of our employees and the general public.

Summary of invoices/charges to the agreement (include amount and date of any invoices submitted for payment under the agreement that occurred during the reporting period. Optionally, include a summary of charges incurred during the reporting period that will be invoiced during the next reporting period):

All charges have been used towards developing the project plans, obtaining necessary permits, and working with project partners toward implementing the project.

Anticipated work in the next six months (if this timeframe includes Oct 1, please describe any accomplishments that will occur before this date):

MKWC anticipates the implementation of this project to begin in early to late June with the hand crews at two of the sites (Stender and Alexander) and in late July to early August to implement the project at the larger site (Durazo). Work within the next few months will entail contractor agreements and acquiring permits.

Summary and number of any outreach activities or significant meetings related to the project:

None to date

Please include any additional information (pictures, documents, presentations, or similar outputs developed during the reporting period related to the project). **PLEASE NOTE: USFWS requires before and after photos for every barrier removed/remediated. Please supply when available AND include in the final report when submitted.**

Expected Completion Date for Forum-funded Activities

Friday, October 30, 2020

Summary and number of any monitoring activities conducted as part of this project:

Two site visits have been made to all three sites that relate to project planning and design.

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