

September 17th Trinity Management Council: Compliance & Implementation Update

Environmental Compliance –

2016 CONSTRUCTION –

Bucktail Channel Rehabilitation:

Since 2013 Environmental Assessment (EA) – New information/substantial project changes
New EA for Bucktail I, II, and III that updates 2013 project (BLM and USBR: Co-Leads)
EA/Initial Study (IS) for 30 day Public Review Early Fall 2015

Lower Dutch Creek Channel Rehabilitation (Scoping July 2015):

DWR designs reduced footprint project = Lower Dutch Creek on USFS managed lands
Lower Dutch Creek EA –USFS and USBR: Cooperating & Lead Agency (no work on private)
Work on Memo for line officer approval and response to scoping comments (e.g., river access)
EA/IS for 30 day Public Review Late Fall 2015

Deep Gulch Channel Rehabilitation (in Lower Valley: Chapman, Deep Gulch, & Sheridan):

Design Report is available
On-going modeling and project refinement
EA/IS (BLM and USBR Co-Leads & Private work) for 30 day Public Review Winter/Spring 2016

GENERAL COMPLIANCE –

- Renewed ALL North Coast Regional Water Quality Programmatic Water Quality Certifications (Fine & Coarse Sediment, Channel Rehabilitation in 2015)
- Programmatic Updates for Terrestrial and Aquatic Biological Assessments – Ongoing (USFS, BLM, and ACOE partners). NMFS and USFWS will respond with Biological Opinions in 2016
- Cultural: Historic Context done: ID representative Trinity mining areas & site specific surveys Req'd
- Recreation: River Access assessment needed
- TRRP Revegetation: Strategy and methods in final review (ACOE, NCRWQCB, and CDFW partners)
- Section 10 Scientific Take Permit 10 year Renewal – Covered by 2005 Permit until complete

Implementation Update – Construction ~complete; Site Cleanup & Reveg in fall

UPPER DOUGLAS CITY -

Contractor (Falcon Builders –out of channel ~ 4 weeks ago: early August)
Seed, Mulch, and Reveg in October- November

OF NOTE: Aquatic translocations, Changes in coarse sediment & rock sourcing, Bedrock encounter and alterations/changes, Reveg. Update

LIMEKILN GULCH -

Contractor (Yurok tribe)
Finishing work now: Seed, Mulch, and Reveg in October- November

OF NOTE: Cultural impacts reduced to less than significance, Bird nesting on site, bedrock, Extremely tight conditions, Remote site (hard to access/service equipment & stay safe), Precautionary flow impacts to side channels, Reveg. changes and difficulties on far bank