December 29, 2020

Season’s Greetings everyone, I just wanted to take a moment to say thank you for your patience with this project and to quickly update you on a few things. I am going to be sending out these updates every 2-3 weeks until the project is completed.

Several of you have asked about “typical” timelines for RCO projects. This past year being anything but “typical” aside, usually design projects from RCO take 2-3 years to complete. We are behind for sure. It’s a bit disappointing for sure. That said, the scope of this project is rather large, encompassing 3 separate sites. The complexity of the site is also a factor. It hasn’t been a perfect process but we are moving forward and progressing. My current thinking is that Preliminary Designs will be completed late spring. We have a lot of work to do but I think that we can accomplish this goal! I anticipate that we will have several meetings between now and then. As of right now, I am thinking about the following:

Schedule

* mid/late January- look at the results of the modeling of the Alternatives modeling. Discuss and receive feedback. Incorporate feedback and re-run models to wrap in comments and suggestions
* mid/late February- present again model findings and results and wrap this into design alternatives. Produce design restoration matrix
* mid March- formally rank and vote on Design Alternatives
* early/mid April- present draft Restoration Alternatives, cost estimates- receive comment
* mid May- present Restoration Alternative, cost estimates, design report

Modeling Meeting- December 22, 2020

Several of us had a meeting to go over the 2d hydraulic model that we are using for the analysis of hydraulics, temperature, sediment and water surface elevations. We presented some of this information at an earlier meeting. If you want to see the presentation it is located on our FTP site. Click on this link - <http://s458607291.onlinehome.us/FTP/Ridgefield%20Pits_Working_Group/meetings/Meeting%207%20ModelDevelopment/>

I have updated the FTP site to include some more of the presentations and information. If anyone has problems accessing the FTP site please let me know.

Geomorphic Comparisons

Thanks again,

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