WEBER HYDROELECTRIC PROJECT

RECREATION NEEDS ANALYSIS

THE STUDY HAS TWO PRINCIPLE OBJECTIVES

- Characterize existing recreation opportunities and use levels in the Project vicinity
- Identify both existing and future recreation needs related to the project over the term of the new license

TASKS

- Recreation Supply Analysis inventory recreation facilities and use areas in the Project Area and their condition
- Recreation Use and Demand Analysis identify existing recreational demand in the Project Area and estimate future demand for various activities of interest
- Whitewater Boating Feasibility Study evaluate whitewater boating use on the Weber River and possible enhancement measures for whitewater boating opportunities within the Project's bypassed reach
- Recreation Needs Analysis compile, analyze, and synthesize the results of all of the above analyses into one study report. This analysis will identify existing and future recreation needs over the potential term of the new license (30 to 50 years).

MILESTONES & DATES

- Recreation Supply Analysis:
 - Data obtained from stakeholders and other sources: May 23
- Recreation Use & Demand Analysis
 - Visitor survey questionnaire finalized: March 11
 - Visitor intercept surveys: March-September
- Whitewater Boating Feasibility Study
 - Dates to be discussed by John
- Recreation Needs Analysis
 - First draft: September 16
 - Final document submitted: October 24

WW STUDY MILESTONES & DATES

Weber River Site Visit: March 1, 12:30 – 2:00 PM

 Observe WW reach, receive input from stakeholders regarding WW opportunities specific to reach, solicit input on additional information sources

Survey Questionnaire

- Update survey with site-specific information
- Beta test survey
- Launch online version week of March 15
- Distribute survey link
- Assume survey will run through July 1

Whitewater Focus Groups

- Planning week of April 25
- Coordinate with WW groups to solidify list of participants
- Location TBD
- Focus Group size 15 20 individuals representing cross-section of WW community

WW Report

- Section within the overall Recreation Needs Analysis
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