



MT Fish, Wildlife & Parks
Region 3 Headquarters
1400 S 19th Avenue
Bozeman, MT 59718

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Kathy Thompson
Stahly Engineering and Associates, Inc.
851 Bridger Drive #1
Bozeman, MT 59715

RE: Park County Pedestrian Bridge Project

Dear Ms. Thompson,

Montana Fish, Wildlife & Parks appreciates the opportunity to comment on this project for construction of two bridges in Park County.

FWP supports the proposed single span bridge crossing the Yellowstone River. Piers in the water are not preferred in the Yellowstone River given the bridge will be located immediately upstream of the boat ramp at Mayor's Landing Fishing Access Site. This bridge is proposed at the location of a prior bridge across the Yellowstone River on an existing road base, so minimal impact would be anticipated.

FWP also supports a single span bridge over Fleishman Creek. We recommend minimizing removal of riparian vegetation at this site to maintain bank stability and retain cover.

For any further questions or concerns, please reach out to the following FWP personnel;

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Thank you again for the opportunity to comment.

Sincerely,

Marina Yoshioka
Region Three Supervisor