



Rio Bonito River Restoration Project Phase 1 - DESIGN



Background Information

- This tract of land is upstream of Lincoln, NM. Old irrigation canals support black walnut and box elder. Large cottonwood trees and coyote willow line the Rio Bonito which traverse the entire tract.
- These BLM managed tracts of the Rio Bonito are not part of any grazing allotment, and offer a unique fishing opportunity in Southeastern New Mexico on BLM lands.
- The portions of the Rio Bonito in this tract are in need of restoration activities to benefit aquatic and riparian habitat, to include instream channel improvements, creation of pool habitats, installation of large boulder or woody debris, as well as other streambank stabilization actions.
- This Project area would serve as a continuation of BLM led efforts to restore tracts of the Rio Bonita.
- Implementation of this project will require the completion of an Environmental Analysis, but to start that process we will need to obtain initial restoration designs.

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Proposed Management Action

- NMDGF, in collaboration with the Roswell BLM Field Office, will contract the initial designs of restoration activities along this tract of the Rio Bonito.
- The completed initial designs will be the source planning document upon which the BLM will base its Environmental Analysis for future planned activities.
- Implementation of this entire restoration effort will eventually cost \$1,000,000 or more, but an initial \$50,000 is needed for initial project design work.
- The only deliverable from this project opportunity will be the initial designs.

- Google earth link

Estimated Budget for HSP: \$100,000