



# Property acquisitions would benefit fish and wildlife in Western Montana

## What’s happening?

The Bonneville Power Administration is proposing to fund the Confederated Salish and Kootenai Tribes of the Flathead Nation to purchase two properties: the 78-acre Crow Creek “Grantree” plot and the 30-acre Post Creek “Cable” plot. CSKT would hold fee title, or full ownership, of the properties to permanently protect, mitigate and enhance fish and wildlife and their habitat. In exchange for Bonneville’s funding of the fee title acquisition for these properties, CSKT would grant Bonneville a conservation easement to protect the plots’ conservation values in perpetuity.

The CSKT would develop a management plan to guide the protection and enhancement of habitat and other resources on the property. BPA would review the management plan for consistency with the conservation easement and the purpose of the acquisition. If BPA proposes to fund any additional activities on the property, further environmental review may be required.

Both properties are within the Flathead Subbasin of the Columbia River Basin. The properties are privately owned and were used for agricultural production and recreation. Vegetation at both locations consists of wetlands, riparian forests and upland grasslands, and supports a variety of native and non-native fish and wildlife.

## Where is this happening?

The Crow Creek “Grantree” property is located approximately 10 miles northwest of Ronan, and the Post Creek “Cable” plot is located approximately seven miles northeast of St Ignatius, both in Western Montana. See the included maps for the precise locations.



*These two properties would protect federally-listed species like bull trout and grizzly bears.*

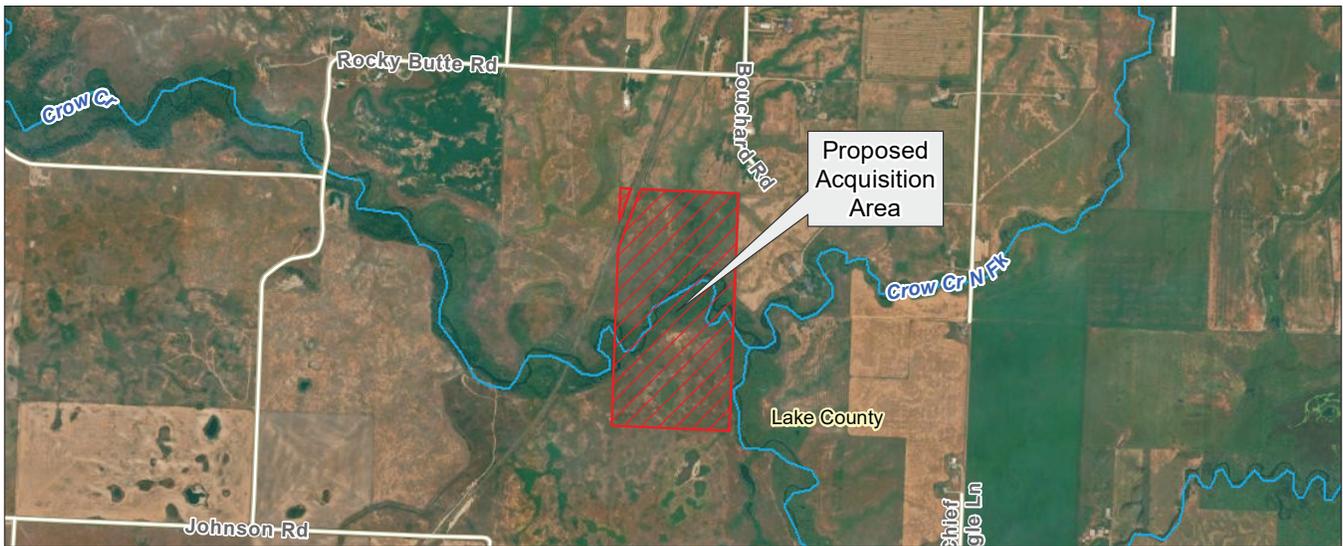
## Why is this happening?

Funding the purchase of these properties would serve as partial mitigation for the effects of the development and operation of the Hungry Horse Dam on fish and wildlife.

## FOR MORE INFORMATION

If you have any questions regarding this land purchase, please contact the project manager, Cecilia Brown, at 503-230-3462, or [ckbrown@bpa.gov](mailto:ckbrown@bpa.gov). You can also call Communications toll-free at 800-622-4519. Please refer to the “Crow Creek/Grantree” or “Post Creek/Cable” projects.





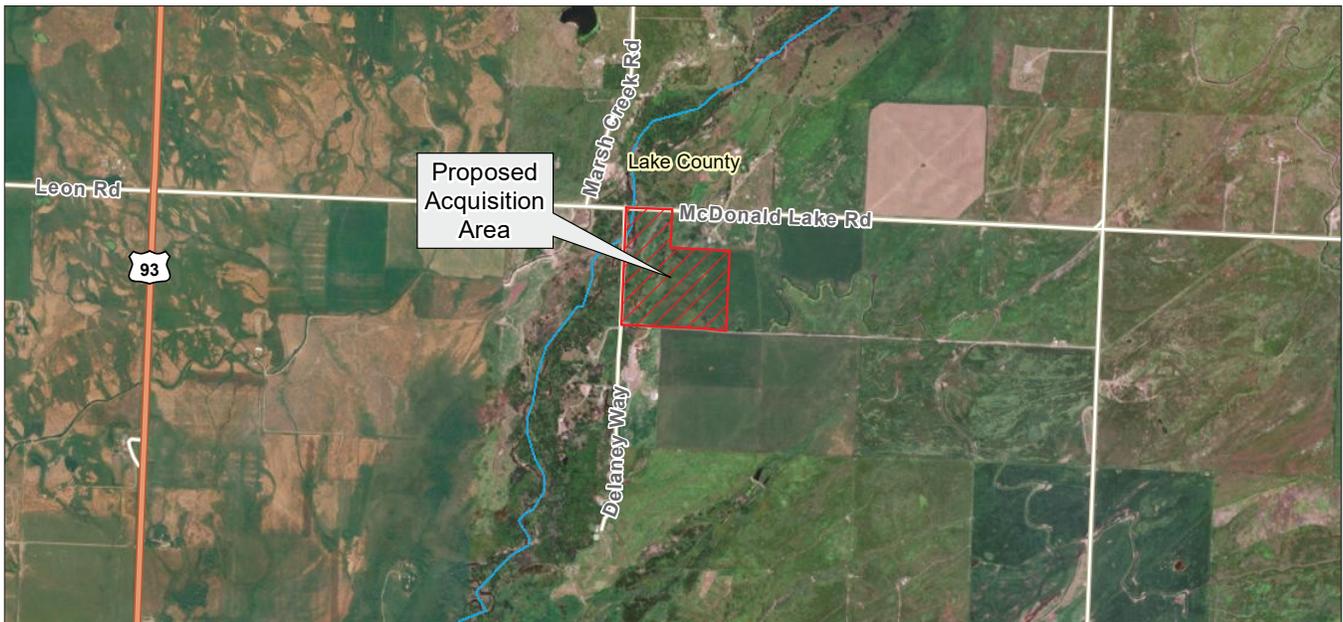
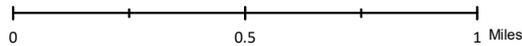
## Crow Creek (Grantree) Conservation Easement Acquisition

Lake County, MT (78 Acres)

 Proposed Acquisition Area



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## Fort Connah (Cable) Conservation Easement Acquisition

Lake County, MT (30 Acres)

 Proposed Acquisition Area



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