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STATEMENT OF WORK FOR MARYANN CHAPMAN WRP FENCE REPAIR
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Location: From Weippe, ID, drive east on Musselshell Rd. for 8.5 miles. The property address is 8277 Musselshell Rd, Weippe, ID 83553. The coordinates are 46.375478, -115.790143.

Technical Contact: Alex Arnold, Conservation Team Leader, Grangeville Field Office

Performance Time: The work is expected to be completed within six weeks of initiation, barring any unique difficulties that may arise. The area will likely be dry enough for the work to commence beginning in late May-early June. Due to the wet nature of the site, flexibility will be allowed for timing to accommodate site conditions. We expect wet soil conditions any time of year, and are willing to work with a qualified contractor on timing/difficulties that come up once work has commenced.

Statement of Work to be Performed:

- T-post removal – 800 t-posts over 12,800 feet of fence line
 - Each t-post removed will be replaced by a new wood post between existing wood posts. Existing wood posts are to remain.
- 8 H-brace removals – all braces at the 4 stream crossings need to be removed
- 4-strand, wildlife friendly field fencing installation – 12,800ft
 - Installation of new wood posts where the t-posts were removed, new wood posts should be spaced in center between existing wood posts. An estimated 800 posts with a minimum top diameter of 5” and minimum length of 7’.
 - New wire will be strung on all new sections of fence
- Fence structures to be replaced as needed, depending on their condition
- PVC picket stream crossing fence installation – 4 crossings
 - New braces to support the PVC picket stream crossings on both sides of each crossing will be constructed

Statement of Work Narrative:

The fencing surrounding the Chapman WRP was originally installed in 2014 as an all t-post, barbed wire fence. Due to soft or saturated ground, those original t-posts have sunk, lowering the fence height to where cows can easily access the easement. Wood posts were added at a later date in between the sinking t-posts in an effort to keep the wire high enough to preclude cattle. The t-posts continued to sink, dragging down the wire in between the wood posts. Additionally, there are stream channels that enter and exist both the north and south parcels. The original fence strung across the channels allowed cattle to move in and out of the easement.

The work to be performed will be to remove the old t-posts and replace them with wood posts, replace any existing wood posts that are severely degraded, restring/tighten the wires, remove and replace any fence structures that are degraded enough to preclude adequate tightening and

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stability, and install PVC crossings over the spots where the streams enter and exit. Those portions of the fence that are on higher ground are still in good order. The areas in need of the above work are the sections are shown on the plan map. It is critical that cattle be precluded from the site as restoration plantings have been installed that need to be protected from grazing.

Additional Information:

- Do all posts need concrete or just those used for structures?
 - Only concrete for posts involved in structures. Line posts do not need concrete
- How many gates?
 - 5 gates
- Is this a Davis-Bacon qualifying project?
 - Yes
- Is it ok to have some post above the top wire?
 - Yes. Maximum post above top wire is 4”
- Do the owners want to keep the salvaged wire or t-posts?
 - No. Contractor is responsible for disposal
- Can posts be pushed then tamped in or do they need to be placed in dug holes then filled/tamped?
 - Posts can be pushed in by an excavator then tamped

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