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Brightwood Lake Dam/Kellogg Creek Restoration

Project Update

It's been a busy year for the Brightwood Lake Dam/Kellogg Creek Restoration team! In February, the team solicited for proposal from interested design build teams to provide qualification to remove the Brightwood Lake Dam and restore Kellogg Creek. The team received Qualifications Packages from nine very qualified teams. After careful consideration, the team narrowed the field to three design build teams who presented the qualification that were deemed best to perform the work on Brightwood Lake. In April, those three firms were asked to provide Concepts for their vision of how the restoration would be implemented along with costs to perform the services. Again, the team was tasked with the difficult decision of which of the three qualified firms, each with great restoration ideas, would be selected. After lengthy debate regarding the best choice, the RiverReach team was selected to perform the work.

With the COVID-19 issues, some project items have taken a little longer than originally anticipated. We have been assured from OEPA that the funding is secure and that the project will move forward, but perhaps on a little slower pace. The following is our current anticipated project schedule:

- Summer/Early Fall 2020: Design and Permitting
- Summer/Fall 2020: Public Meeting(s) *
- Fall/Winter 2020: Begin Construction – Drain lake begin dam removal
- Spring/Summer 2021: Continue dam removal and stream restoration
- Summer/Fall 2021: Construction complete

* Due to social distancing requirements and out of an abundance of caution, public meetings may be held virtually. Watch for more information on details.