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>>> Ingrid Campbell Monday, July 18, 2011 7:10 AM >>>
James/Priscilla-

I took a load of riparian plants to White Oak on Thursday. The site was in the process of drying out, but it had significant high water levels over this week. I saw debris on the planted willows about 6 inches to a foot higher than the current stream level. At least the willows held out. The crew (a group of boys) without John's presence or guidance, planted the uppermost terrace C with only 3 of the four terrace species, planted the lower riparian zone on the west side by the drop structures and the upper riparian zone above the sinkhole. There are many places along the riparian planting that only some of the species have been planted, so those areas need to be filled in. I had delivered the entire order of 240 clematis plugs earlier that week. John said they planted about 50 of them on terrace C, I couldn't find any- but they are pretty hard to find in the grasses. While walking up the stream channel, I found several plugs washed down the channel, and then found the entire tray flipped over about 200 feet below the upper riparian planting. (The plugs only go on the terraces, so there is no reason they should have been in this area. The boys told me that they had left the tray 3 feet from the stream channel during the storm. I am estimating between 40 and 70 plugs were lost. I tried to talk to John about this, but he left the site around noon. I told the boys to not leave any unplanted plants in the stream channel in case of a storm, but to water them before they are planted, or before leaving them unplanted. The remaining plugs cannot be planted until terrace a and b are prepared, so, I took the remaining 150 plugs home over the weekend to water them, because John had left and it didn't appear that he was taking them with him. Hopefully they can get some mulching and hydroseeding done this week and finish some planting. I will post some pics to the O drive soon.

Thanks

Ingrid

>>> Priscilla Burton 7/14/2011 9:40 AM >>>
James/Ingrid,

The only area needing straw bales is below Terrace A (the lowest terrace). The slope between A and B Terraces was treated with hay, biosolids, gouged and seeded. But they will reseed with hydroseed at our request this year. They need only apply wood straw on this slope. They should not reapply hay.

Thanks for the updates.
Priscilla.

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>>> James Owen 07/13/11 5:45 PM >>>

We got another downpour today with lots of lightning & thunder. I walked the site anyway to see my terraces in action.. They have planted the smaller plants on Terrace C and the larger plants in Whiskey

Creek above the small sinkhole. They were spreading some hay bales on the slopes between terraces C and B. They have hauled the rest of the plants down to the lower portions of Whiskey Creek. They had to stop planting because of the rain & hail, but I believe they will need more plants by Thursday...

>>> Ingrid Campbell 7/13/2011 10:07 AM >>>

They aren't doing any seeding... like I said the hydroseeder cannot even make it past the gate because of the debris and rain conditions. They moved the debris, but the slopes are too muddy to drive the hydroseeder on. He is planting on the uppermost terrace, and will possibly put plugs on the outslopes of the other terraces, but cannot plant the inside of the two lower terraces because they are needed for equipment access still. Again, he did not plant the channel yet because it was too muddy to get down to it and he is worried about hydroseeding on top of the larger plants. Hopefully I can get him to put at least the willows in by this week. Hopefully he will have planted everything that I brought by the end of this week!

Ingrid

>>> Priscilla Burton 07/13/11 9:56 AM >>>

Thank you for the update! I really wish that I were able to help with this portion of the project. I am so glad conditions are moist for planting and seeding. Where are they seeding? Just the channel?

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>>> Ingrid Campbell 07/12/11 4:43 PM >>>

Hello! So, I went to Fruit Heights this morning to pick up 240 plugs, then all the way to South Jordan to the nursery and was able to fit 250 plants in the back of a truck! Took forever to get down to the site because they are pretty tall and I was worried about the wind, but they held up very nicely. I didn't get to the site until about noon. The site was under a downpour, which was excellent for the plants, but not so great for the hydroseeding equipment. The hydroseeder is at the gate for now. John had a crew of five kids. He used the skidster to remove the water bars and then hauled some of the plants up to the top terrace to plant. I really urged him to plant the stream plants asap because I want the water in the stream to support them. He could not get his truck down there, so he is waiting until tomorrow or later this week. He is also worried about hydroseeding over the plants now, because they are so tall. However, I pointed out that the willows will go 0-3 feet from the stream where it will not be hydroseeded- so James, if you could urge him to plant those asap that would be great. I am planning on another load of plants either Thursday, if he is ready for them, or next week. Let me know if you have any questions! Thanks!

Ingrid

>>> James Owen 7/12/2011 10:13 AM >>>

Ingrid is driving the plants down this morning for them to start today. In fact, they have probably already started as she left around 7:30 AM. She was able to get them loaded into a pickup truck. Ingrid will be there today, and I'm planning to go down Wednesday, and either Ingrid or myself will be there Thursday. We got some rain, but it wasn't a real significant "downpour" ...

>>> Priscilla Burton 7/12/2011 10:05 AM >>>

Did they begin planting yesterday? Are you planning to be at the site daily while they are planting? Did you get a downpour like we got on the Rocky Mountain front range yesterday?

>>> James Owen 07/11/11 4:07 PM >>>

Hello All,

As promised, attached is the map with an outline for the remaining scope of work at White Oak. Its scaled so it should give an idea of how much ground can be covered for planting. If anyone has a questions, please feel free to let me know. Thanks.

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