

Phase 1

Construction Begin – End Date	Miles of River Cleaned	Acres Cleaned	Cubic Yards of Contamination Removed
2013 – 2014	1.6	64	331,821



Heavy metals and arsenic from historic mining upstream of the site have been deposited on the floodplain and streambank of the Clark Fork River. Due to human health and environmental concerns, it is necessary to remove the mine waste. The contamination on the floodplain and streambanks is multiple feet thick and the vegetation was primarily dead and decaying. Heavy metals and arsenic present a risk to human health and negatively effect plants, animals, fish and aquatic resources (the environment).

Herbaceous & Woody Plants	Total Revegetation Cost*
129,405	\$1.9 million

Total Construction Cost*	Total Project Phase Cost*
\$6.6 million	\$8.5 million

Removing the contamination from the streambanks and the floodplain will return the river to its natural condition and create a properly functioning river system that does not pose unacceptable risks to human health and the environment.



Excavation, loading and hauling contaminated soils from the floodplain.



For More Information

To learn more about the Clark Fork River cleanup, please visit the following resources:

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*Totals are generated from Construction Completion Reports and include actual construction and oversight. Not included are the costs of investigation, design and administration.

