

Collaborative Water Management

\$100,000 annually

Drought Management Planning

The Drought Management Planning process for managing Island Park Reservoir is the centerpiece of HFF's collaborative water management activities. Through innovative application of research and collaboration among numerous agencies, non-governmental agencies, and water users, Drought Management Planning has resulted in increased winter flows below Island Park Dam and a corresponding increase in the wild trout population.



Henry's Fork Watershed Council

The Henry's Fork Watershed Council is a grassroots, community forum that uses a non-adversarial approach to understanding complex watershed problems and sustaining Henry's Fork watershed resources for future generations. The Henry's Fork Foundation and Fremont-Madison Irrigation District have served as co-facilitators of the Council since its formation in 1993. The Council is nationally recognized as a model for collaborative watershed management.

Water Resources Management Planning

The Henry's Fork watershed provides 25 percent of the total water supply in the upper Snake River system, which includes the Eastern Snake Plain Aquifer and which supports much of the economic activity in southern and eastern Idaho. Because the entire system is administered under a single, common set of water rights, management decisions and policies made at the system-wide level have a direct effect of the amount of water in the Henry's Fork. To ensure that the fishery and aquatic health of the Henry's Fork are represented in these decisions and policies, HFF is an active participant in a variety of management and planning processes, including the Henry's Fork Basin Study, aquifer recharge and management, and water-rights application review.