Dam Removal Planning Guide

This printable dam removal planning guide helps fish farmers, pond owners and managers plan the early steps of a dam removal. Follow the steps in order.

Farm / unit: _____ Date: _____ By: _____

1. Define project goals
2. Document dam condition
3. Identify owner and stakeholders
4. Check permits and rules
5. Study sediment and habitat
6. Plan removal approach
7. Plan monitoring
8. Record decisions

YOUR NOTES

TIP Dam removal needs engineers and agency approvals, so start by contacting your state dam safety office.