# Condit Dam Decommissioning – Current Status

Presentation to Klickitat & White Salmon Rivers Fisheries and Watershed Science Conference

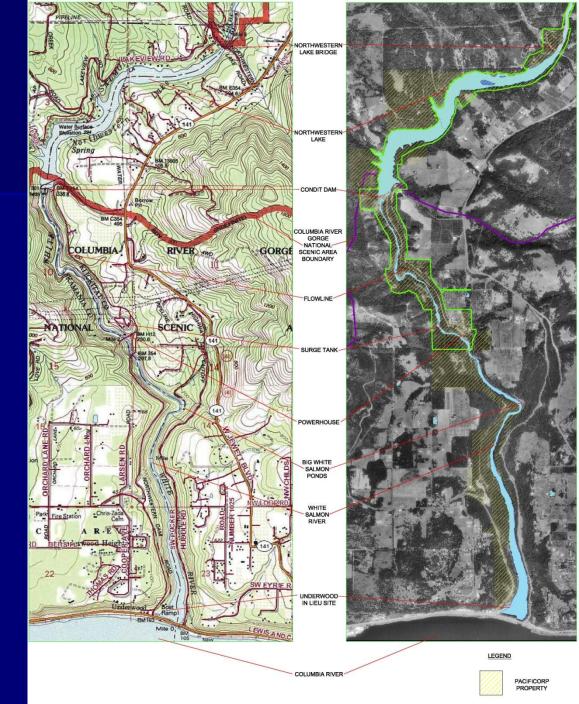
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### **Condit Project Overview**

- Project is located near White Salmon, WA
  - 45-miles east of Portland, OR
- 3 miles upstream of the Columbia River
- Only man-made impoundment between Mt.
   Adams and the Columbia River
- Only one Columbia mainstem dam (Bonneville) between mouth of White Salmon River and Pacific Ocean

# Project Location



### **Northwestern Bridge**





## Northwestern Bridge



### City of White Salmon Waterline



### Reservoir Drawdown



## **Big White Pond Weir Install**

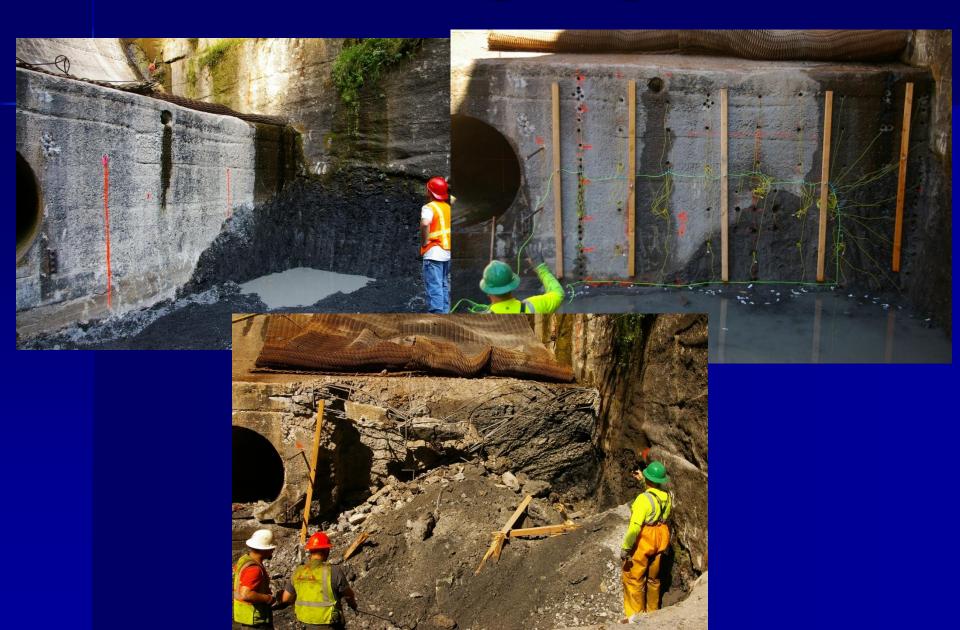


#### Fish salvage at the dam... in the beginning

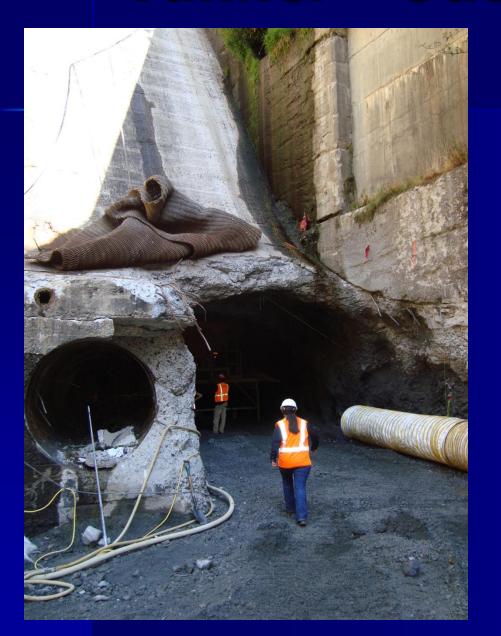




# **Tunneling Begins**

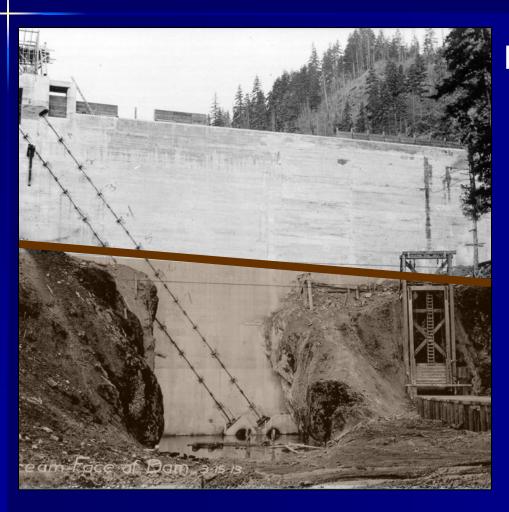


### Tunnel – Outside & Inside





### Sediment depth - dredging



#### Key Element:

 Estimate of 2.4 million cubic yards sediment



# Breach day – October 26, 2011 Reservoir Before



#### Breach day - October 26, 2011

Sediment moving out



# Breach day – October 26, 2011 36 Tours



# Breach day — October 26, 2011 Flow through tunnel

<u> e Dunn Video – Tunnel Upstream</u>

<u>e Dunn Video – Tunnel Downstream</u>

# Breach day – October 26, 2011 Reservoir Before



### Breach day - October 26, 2011

Reservoir After



# Post Breach Activities Public Safety



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# Post Breach Activities Old cofferdam



Public Safety –wood pilings at bridge



Demolition - Flowline



**Demolition - Dam** 

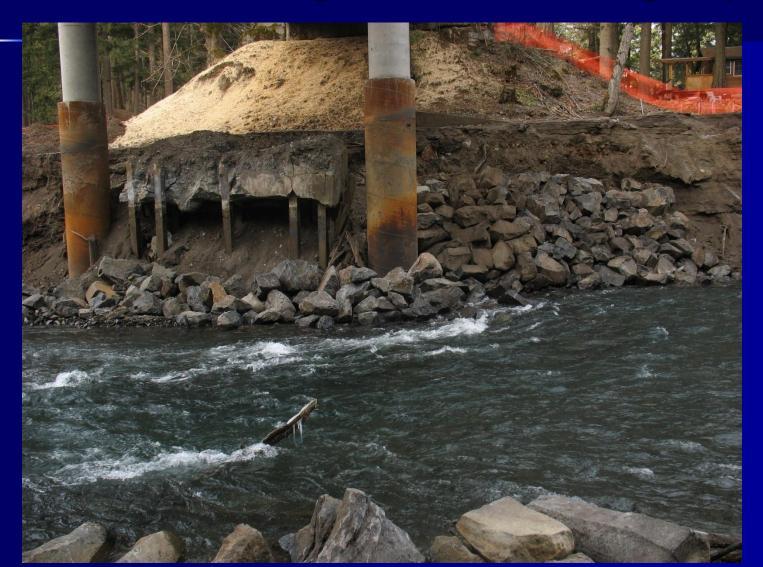




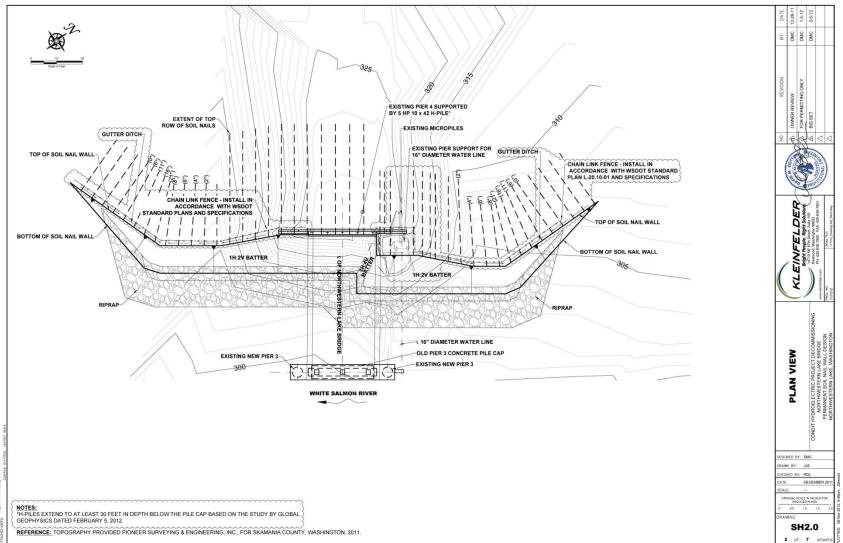
Sediment monitoring – Buck Creek



Sediment monitoring – Westside bridge riprap



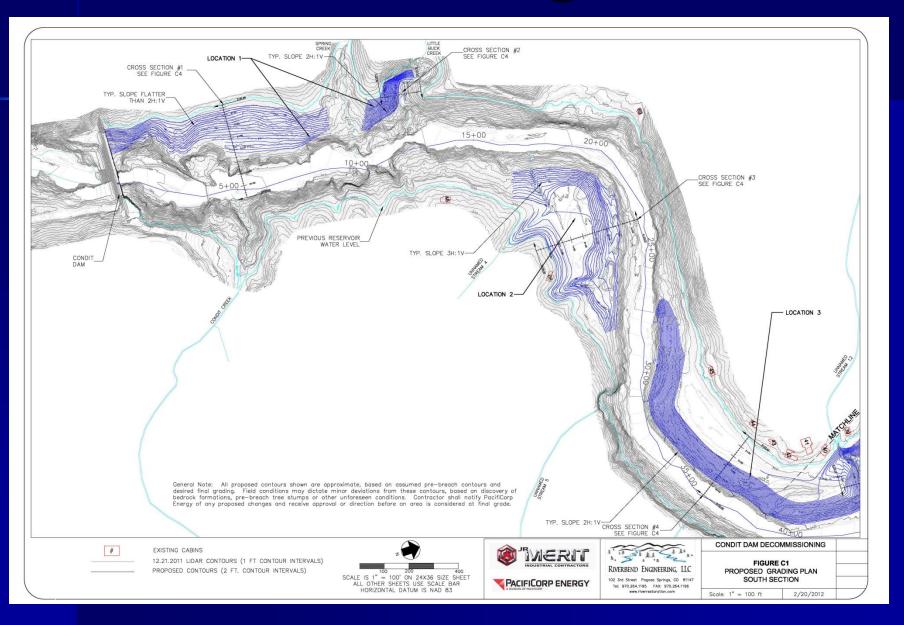
### Diagram soil nail wall



Sediment management – the former reservoir



### Grading



Sediment management – the former reservoir



Sediment monitoring - breach day mouth of White Salmon River



Sediment monitoring - mid-January 2012 mouth of White Salmon River



#### 2012 Schedule – end dates

- Flowline, surge tank, penstock removal May 1, 2012
- Cofferdam removal May 1, 2012
- NW Lake Bridge stabilization June 30, 2012
- Sediment management ongoing through August 2012
- Dam removal August 30, 2012
- Revegetation Fall 2012 and Fall 2013

### Safety

- Limited access at Northwestern Lake park –
   Installing temporary boater take out
- River is closed downstream of the park boater take out to downstream of powerhouse
- No public access from Powerhouse Road
- Lower river is open for fishing; access off of Hwy 141-A
- Please heed warning signs and fencing in project area
- Expect river within the project area to be open for boater use in early September

#### For more information please visit:

www.pacificorp.com/condit