ABSTRACT: In 1999 parties to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission relicensing of the Condit Hydroelectric Project reached a settlement by which PacifiCorp would remove the project in lieu of relicensing. The project, owned and operated by PacifiCorp, was built in 1913, is approximately 125 feet tall, and has a generation capacity of 13.7 Megawatts. Per relicensing conditions as stipulated by the agencies with mandatory authority, acceptance of a new license would render the project uneconomic. Although not an outcome typically desired, PacifiCorp accepted the responsibility to decommission given a cost cap was established to protect the financial exposure of the company and its customers.

PacifiCorp continues to pursue the permits needed to remove the project. At the same time, planning and design work is ongoing. This presentation briefly summarizes the project history, the settlement agreement, how the project will be decommissioned, and the social, cultural, and resource values that will be enhanced with project removal.

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