# TEANAWAY RIVER LONG-TERM FLOW RESTORATION STRATEGY

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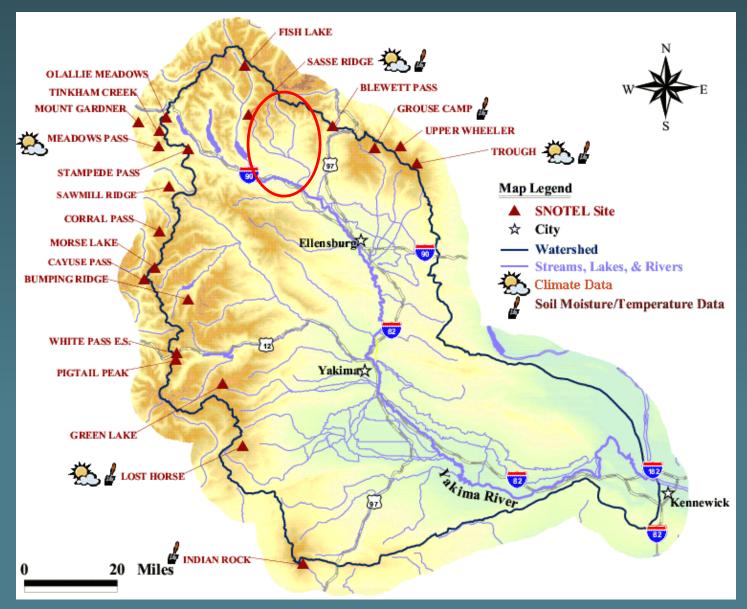


## SUMMARY

- European History and Land use
- Water Allocation
- Allocation vs. Drought Flow
- Instream Flow Program since 2000
- Groundwater Rule and Mitigation
- Monitoring
- Creating Place-Based Interest







Courtesy of: http://www.or.nrcs.usda.gov/snow/maps/yakima\_basin\_map.html



### Teanaway River @ Forks

### Red Bridge

### Teanaway River @ Lambert Br.

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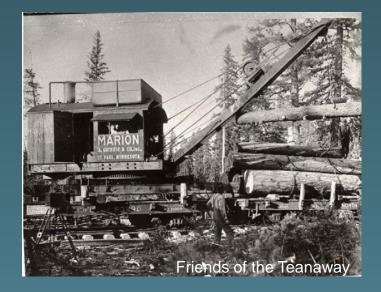
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# EUROPEAN HISTORY AND LAND USE

- Agriculture/farming
  - I882 to present
- I904 "Good runs of salmon..."
- Heavy logging in Teanaway Subbasin
  - Splash dam/log drives 1905-1920's
  - Railway 1916
- Logging/agriculture diminishing
  - Rapidly replaced by recreation properties, retirement homes, second houses, and hobby farms – 1990s to present
- Steelhead and Bull Trout ESA Listed 03/25/99 and 11/01/99





# WATER ALLOCATION

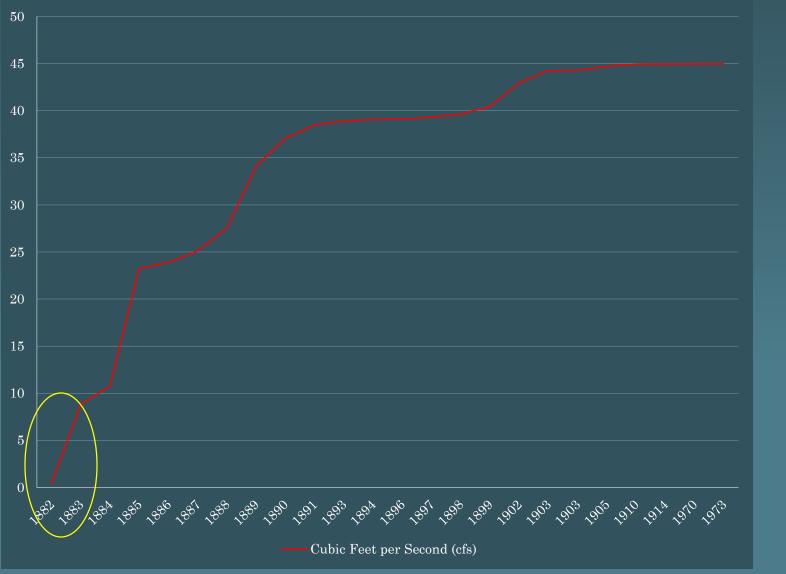
- Adjudicating Water Rights
  - June 16, 1921 Teanaway Adjudication
  - October 12,1977 present
    Acquavella Adjudication
- By 1889 the basin was over appropriated



- In 1921, Teanaway River became the 5<sup>th</sup> adjudicated basin in the State of Washington
- February 8, 2001 Decree issued by Acquavella

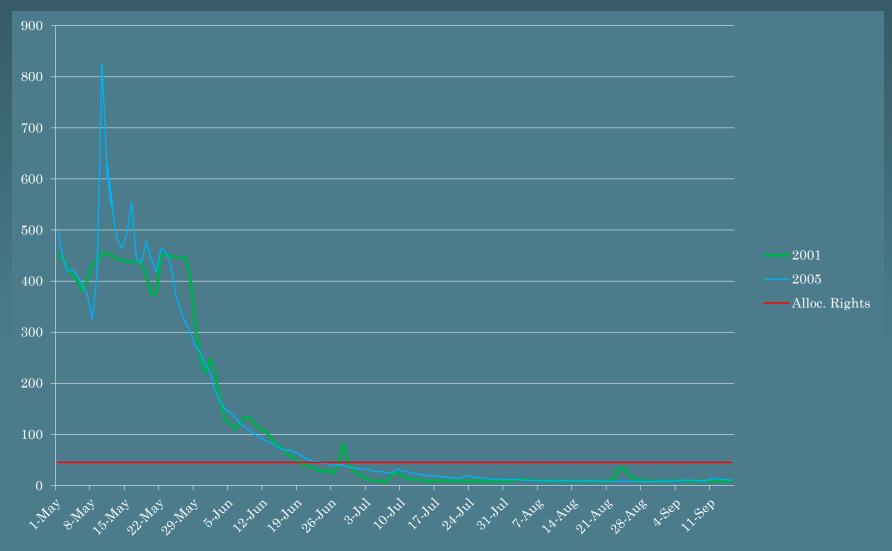


#### **Adjudicated Water Rights**





## **ALLOCATED WATER VS. DROUGHT FLOW**





## **INSTREAM FLOW PROGRAM SINCE 2000**

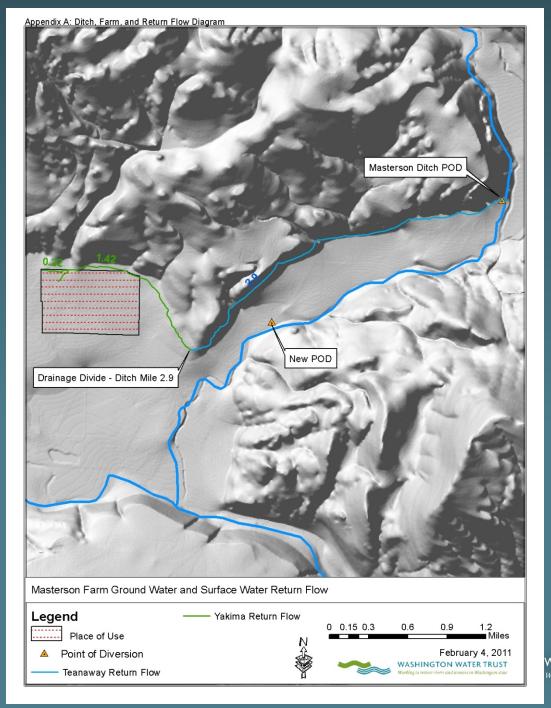
- Committed resources since 2000
- I9 participating water right holders
- Shortest term I year
- Longest term 30 years
- Short-term, Long-term, and
  Permanent
- Continued agriculture











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### **GROUNDWATER RULE AND MITIGATION BANKING**

### Rule

- Petition filed by Acqua Permanente
- Permanent Rule filed by Ecology Chapter 173-539A WAC
- Teanaway Mitigation Banking
- Conservation and Mitigation Banking value added
- Purchase of 60 acres of irrigation / 20 acres of mitigation banking
- WWT operating the Mitigation Bank
- Allows new domestic uses in Teanaway
- Keeps water instream and places a flat fee into a restoration account – Managed by KCT
  - "out-of-kind mitigation"



## MONITORING

- 2011 Flow Monitoring
  - WWT
  - Volunteers
  - WDFW
- Collective effort resulted in 10 flow samples and continued data recording for ongoing PHABSIM/Critical Riffle Study during flow critical periods
- 2012 Monitoring
  - Same partners
  - Potential of increasing monitoring points and tailoring to specific project goals





## **CREATING PLACE-BASED INTEREST**

LOCAL SUPPORT THROUGH AWARENESS OF FLOW RESTORATION PROJECTS

What: Teanaway River Valley Festival Where: Swauk-Teanaway Grange Hall When: Saturday, July 21, 2012

More information: www.washingtonwatertrust.org







# **QUESTIONS & DISCUSSION**



