

DETROIT FISH PASSAGE CONSTRUCTION/DRAWDOWN UPDATE

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PRESENTATION OUTLINE

Background

- Detroit Dam

Willamette Biological Opinion

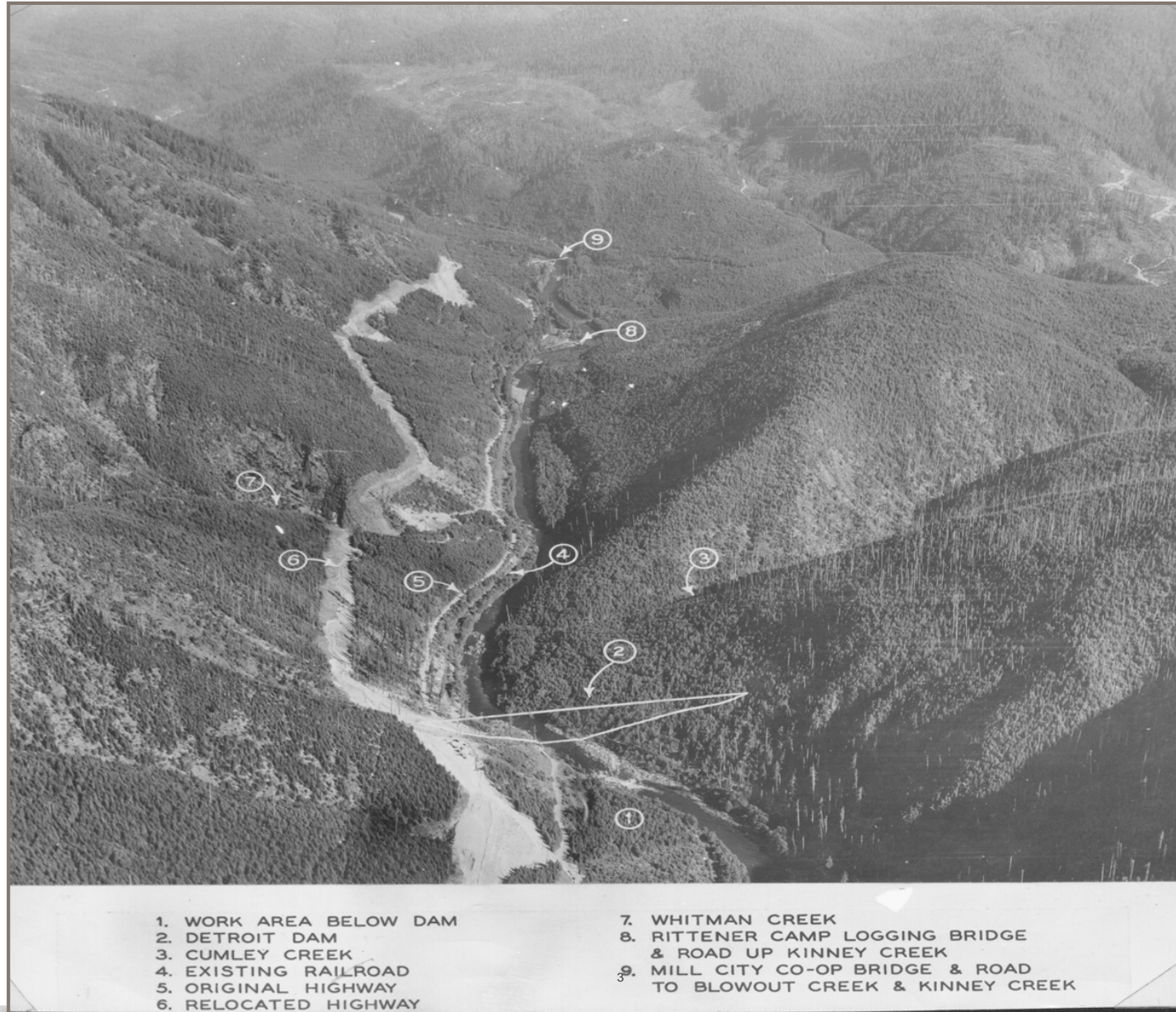
- Detroit Actions
- Impacts
- Analysis Results Summary
- Design Update

Summary

Questions



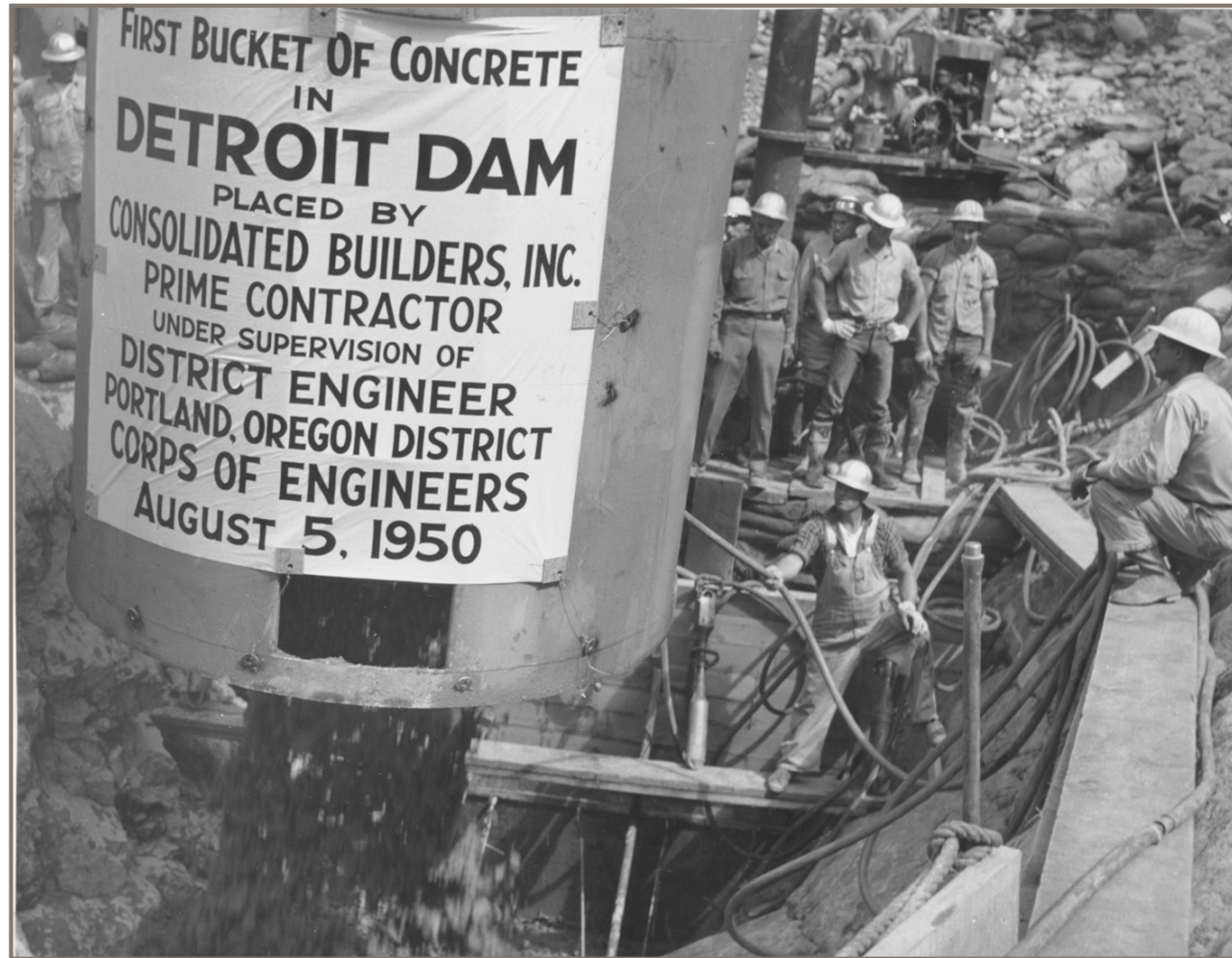
BEFORE DETROIT DAM



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DETROIT DAM CONSTRUCTION



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DETROIT FILLING

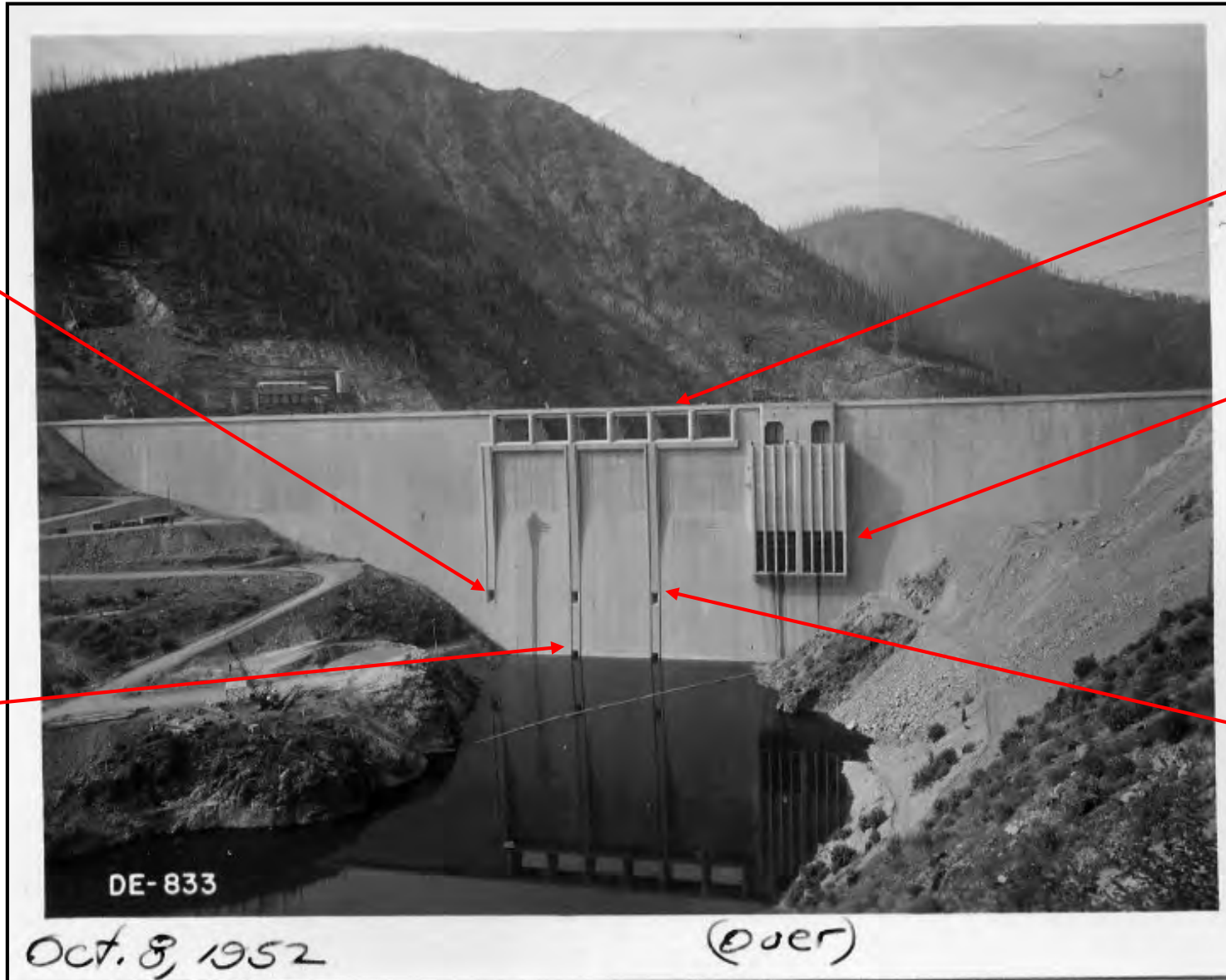
Test Conduit

Spillway

Penstock Intakes

Lower
Regulating
Outlets

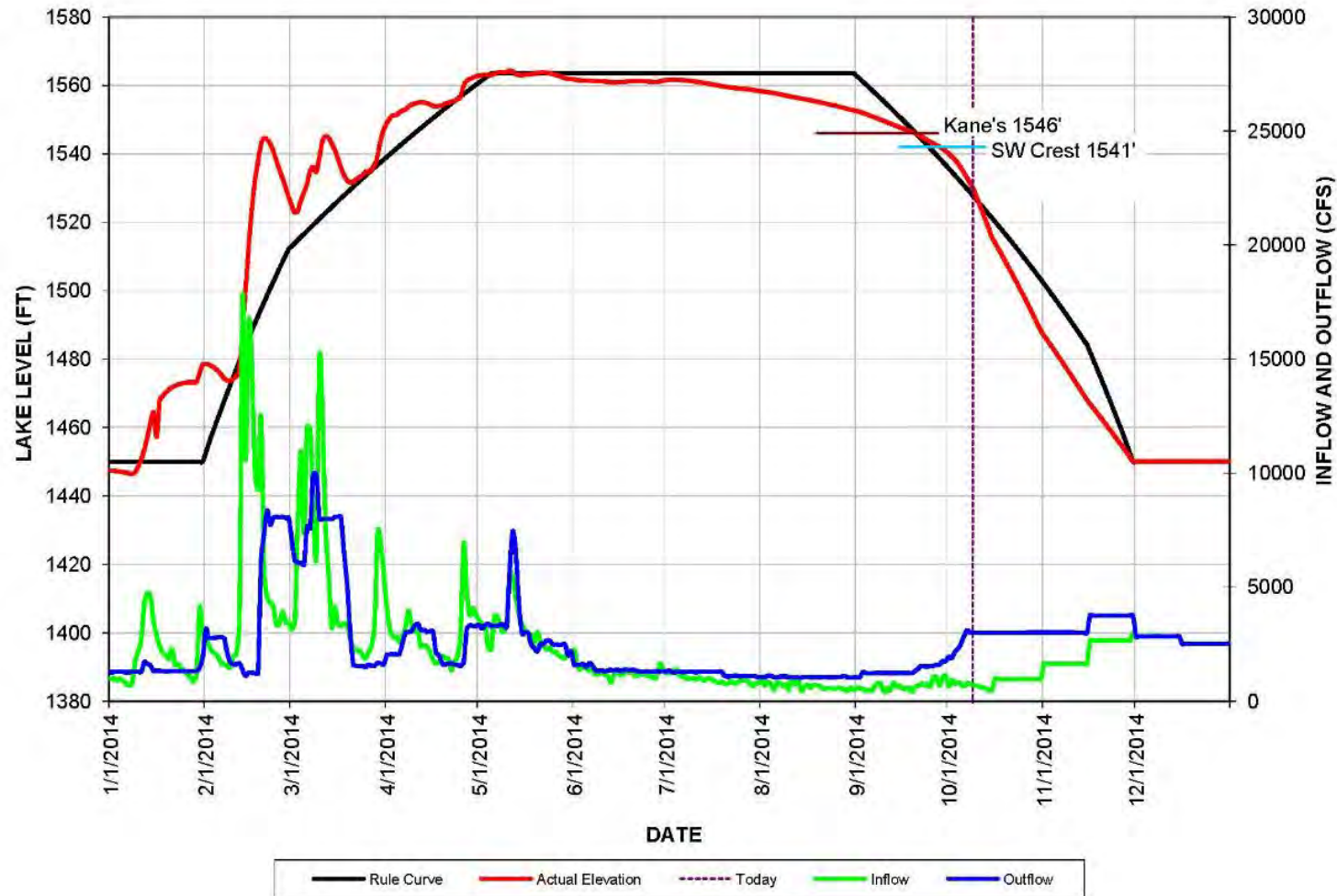
Upper
Regulating
Outlets



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DETROIT RULE CURVE (2014 ACTUAL)



Authorized Purposes

- Flood risk management
- Hydropower
- Navigation
- Irrigation
- Fish & wildlife
- Recreation
- Water quality
- Water supply



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NORTH SANTIAM/DETROIT DAM BIOLOGICAL OPINION MAJOR ACTIONS

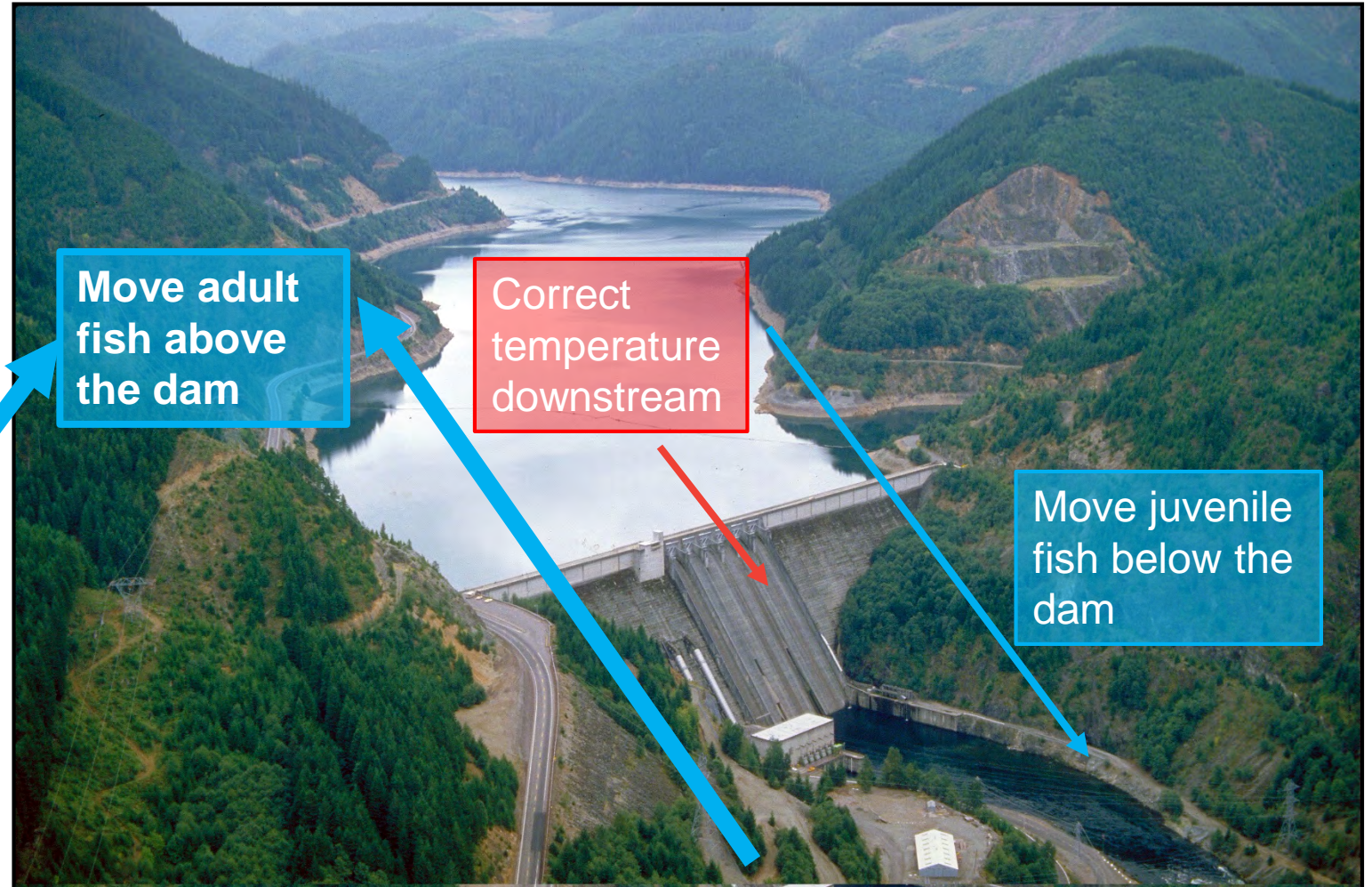
Completed
Minto Adult Fish Facility
10 miles downstream



Move adult
fish above
the dam

Correct
temperature
downstream

Move juvenile
fish below the
dam



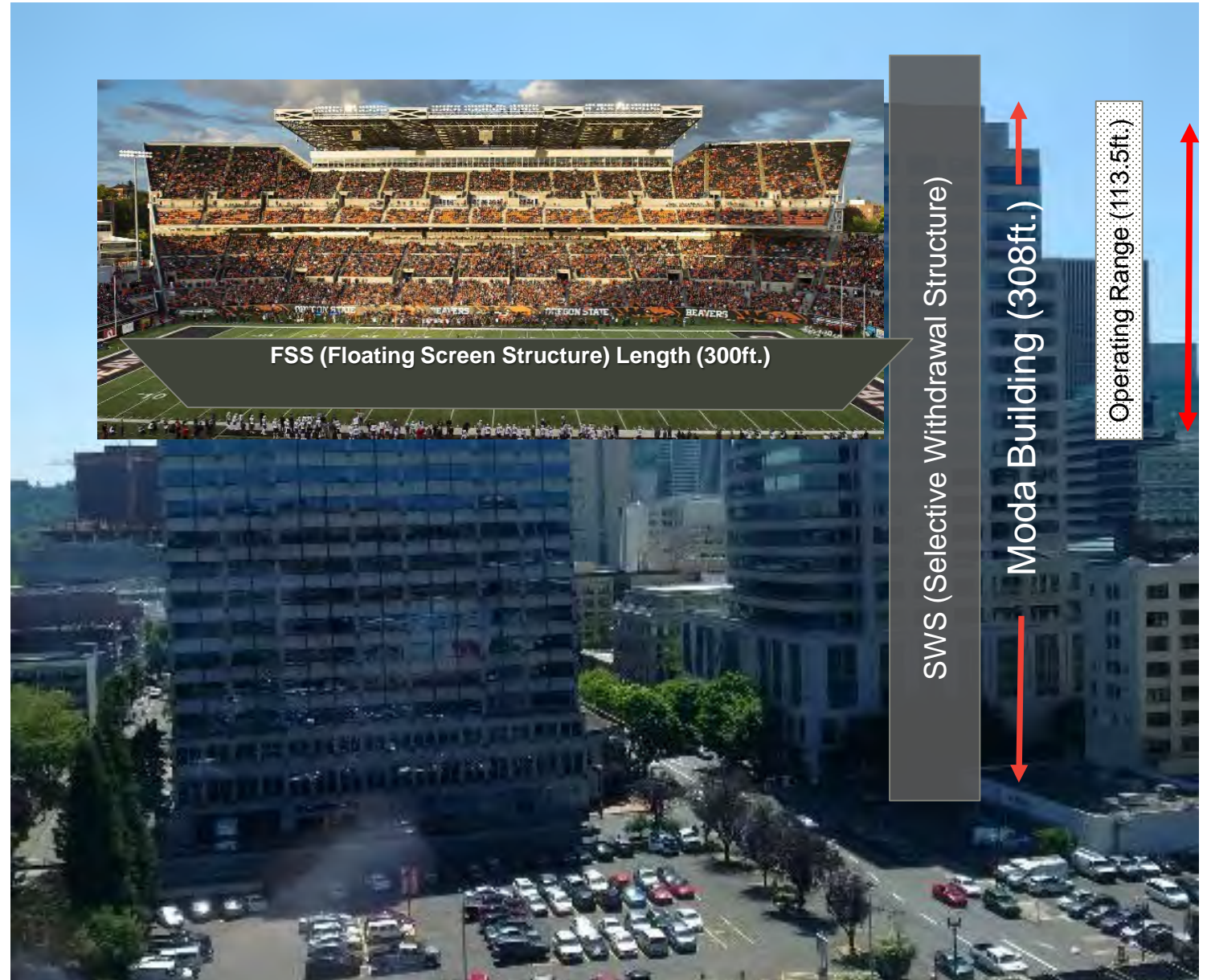
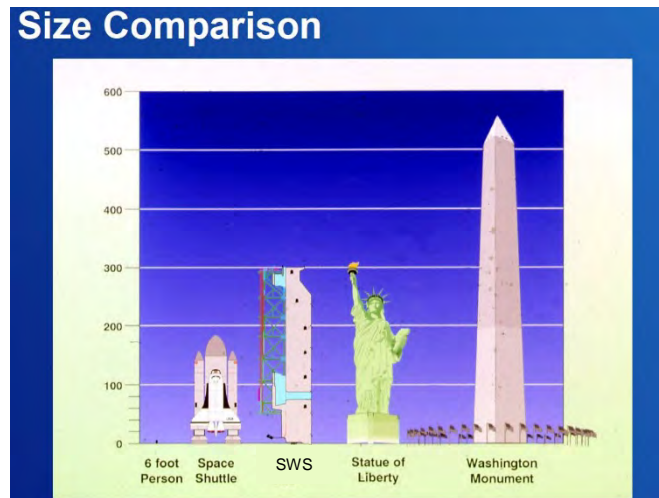
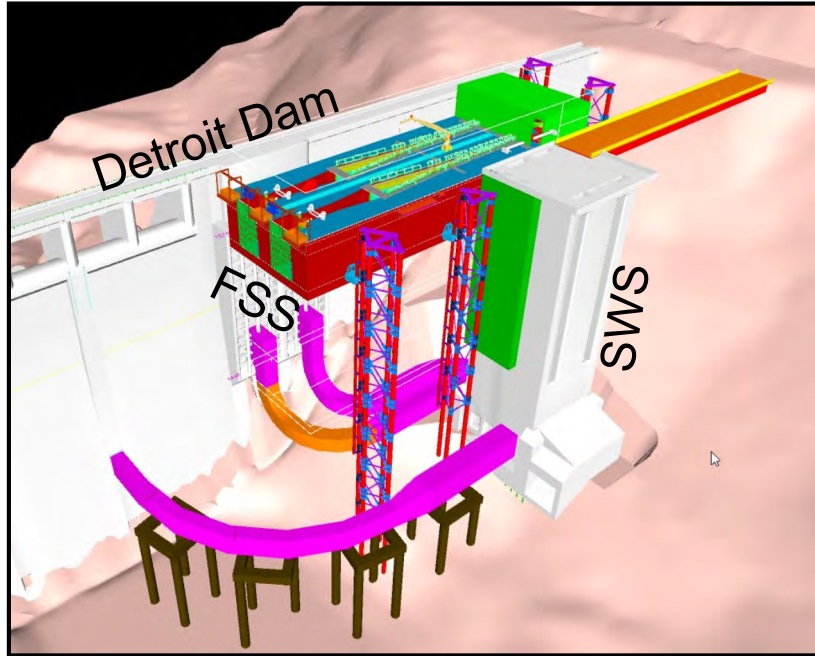
Note - 71% of basin spawning habitat was above Detroit



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DETROIT DOWNSTREAM PASSAGE AND TEMPERATURE CONTROL



HOW TO CONSTRUCT????

Easiest – build it in the dry!

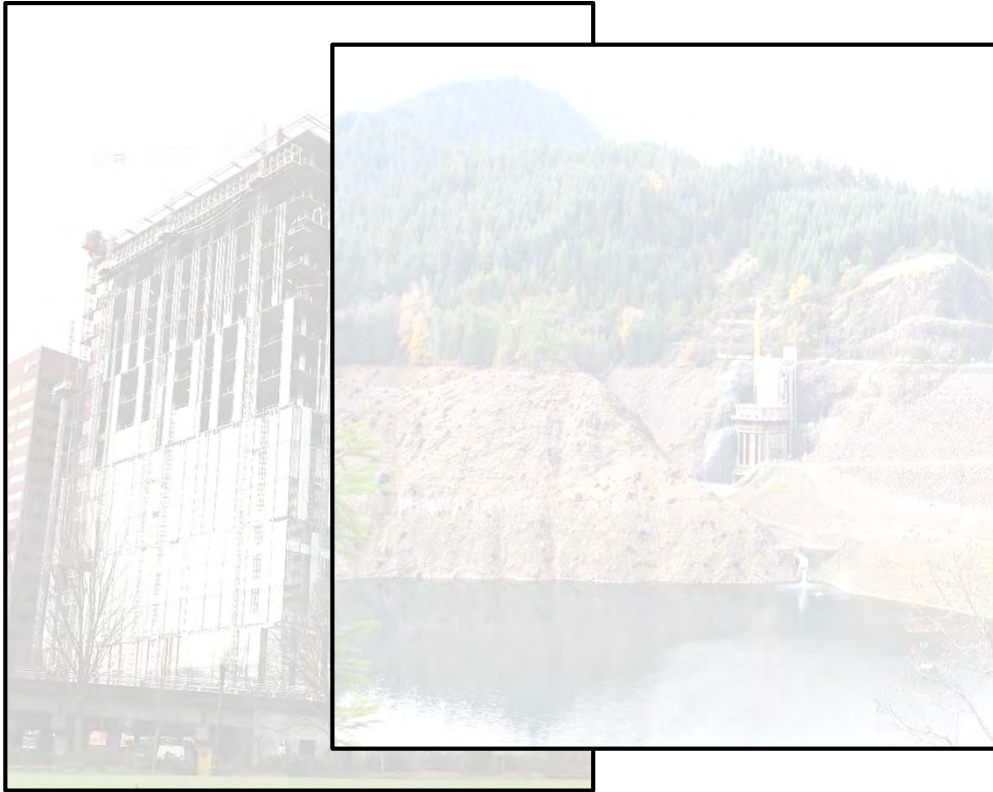
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But what are the impacts at Detroit?



DETROIT TEMPERATURE CONTROL- DRAWDOWN IMPACTS

Recreation Impacts

- Loss of business revenue



Photos – Oregonlive.com



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DETROIT TEMPERATURE CONTROL- DRAWDOWN IMPACTS

Recreation Impacts

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30 miles downstream - Stayton

- Intake facilities designed for 750 cfs river flow
- Detroit outflow if drawdown – July – Oct. 400-500 cfs

Downstream Water Supply Impacts

- Municipal water supply
 - Cities of Salem, Stayton, Turner, Gates - withdraw municipal water
 - City of Salem alone – 192,000 residents and businesses impacted
 - No full scale backup systems exist
- Agriculture
 - USDA cropland maps
 - Over 50,000 acres of farmland within Santiam Water Control Dist. & Sidney Irrigation Co-op
 - Many crops perennial – loss of water – loss of plants



DETROIT ALTERNATIVES

Construction Alternatives	Significant Impacts
1. No Action	None
2. Build in the Dry – <u>2 Year Drawdown</u> to 1300'	Low summer flows and prolonged high turbidity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High economic impacts, • Threatens water supply for 180K people & 17,000ac of ag land, • Significant impacts to aquatic habitat and ESA listed species
3. Build in the Dry – <u>1 Year Drawdown</u> to 1300'	Low summer flows and prolonged high turbidity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High economic impacts, • Threatens water supply for 180K people & 17,000ac of ag land, • Significant impacts to aquatic habitat and ESA listed species
4. Build in the Wet – <u>1 Year Variable Drawdown</u> (maintain 1000cfs through summer)	Prolonged high turbidity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • High economic impacts • Threatens water supply for 180K people, • Significant impacts to aquatic habitat and ESA listed species
5. Build in the Wet – <u>No Drawdown</u>	None
Staging Alternatives	
Mongold State Park Day Use Area	Significant impacts to recreation
Oregon Parks and Recreation Maintenance Yard	None
Detroit Lake Recreation Area Campground	Significant impacts to recreation



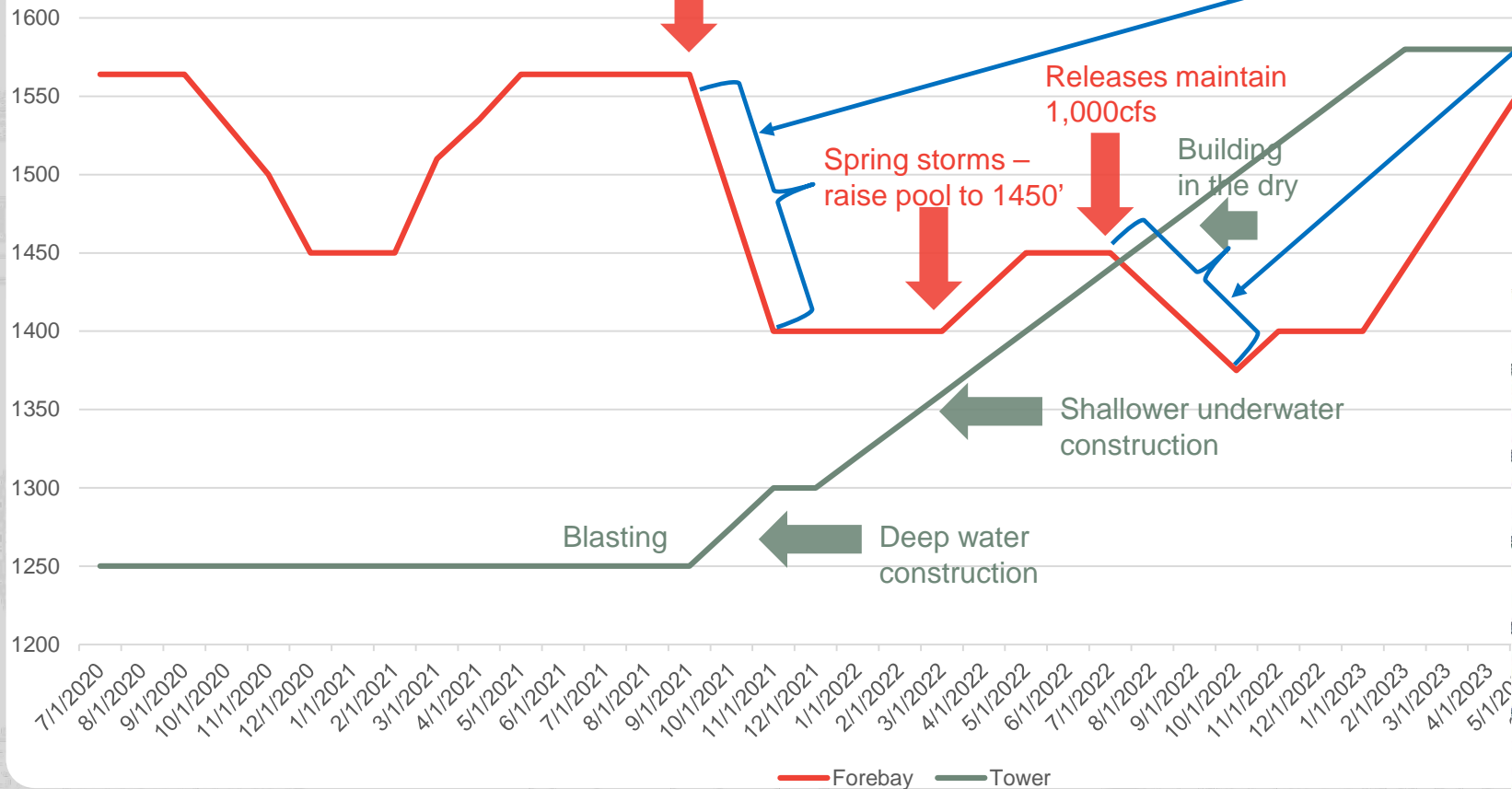
IN THE WET ALTERNATIVE 4 – 1 YEAR VARIABLE DRAWDOWN

Tower Height –
during construction

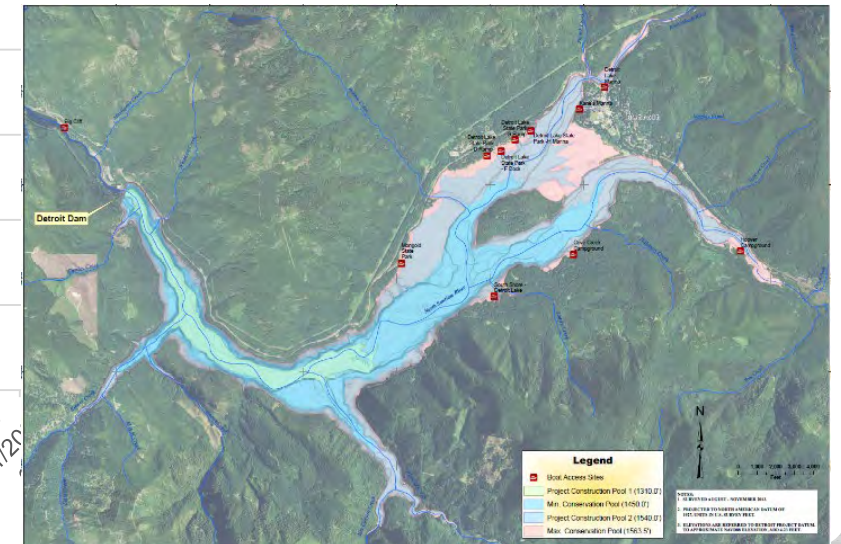
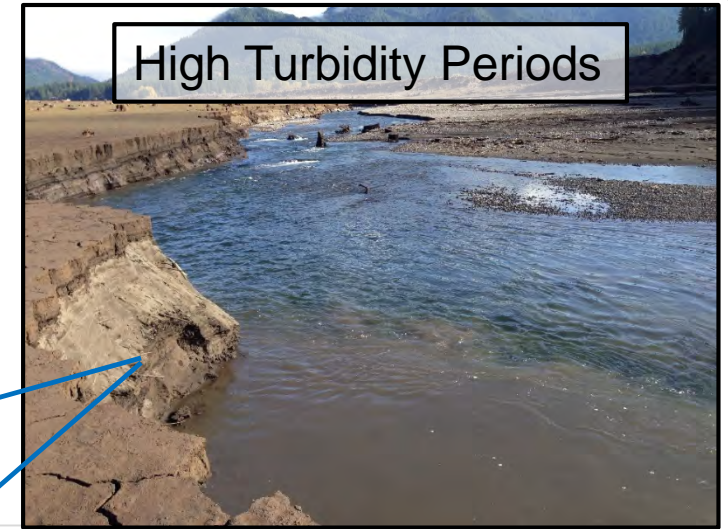
Variable Rule Curve

Initial drawdown to 1,400'

Forebay Elevation and Tower Elevation



High Turbidity Periods



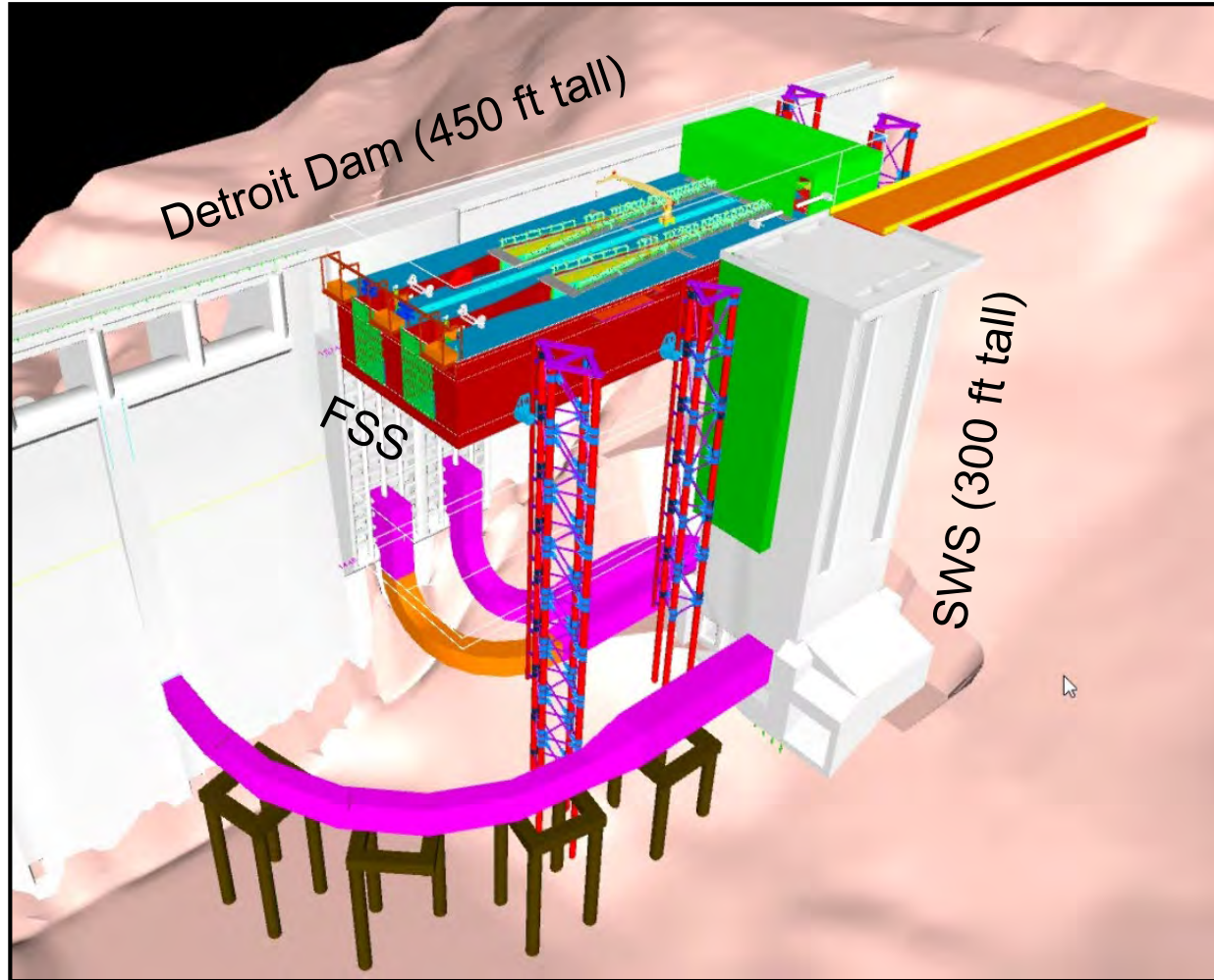
ECONOMIC IMPACT

Alternative	Recreation	Agriculture	M&I Water		Total Economic Impact
2. Build in the Dry – 2 Year Drawdown to 1300'	\$22,542,000	\$139,000,000	\$56,000,000		\$217,542,000
3. Build in the Dry – 1 Year Drawdown to 1300'	\$11,271,000	\$50,014,000	\$28,000,000		\$89,285,000
4. Build in the Wet – 1 Year Variable Drawdown (maintain 1000cfs through summer)	\$11,271,000	\$6,426,000	\$28,000,000		\$45,697,000
5. Build in the Wet – No Drawdown	None	None	None		None

Note: Total economic impact does not include foregone hydropower or impacts to fish. Hydropower impacts = \$30.7M; EcoNW report estimates impacts to fish at about \$62.1M; Corps' 1 yr total economic impact to construct in the dry comes close to EcoNW's estimate, although Corps used different approaches to determine economic impacts.



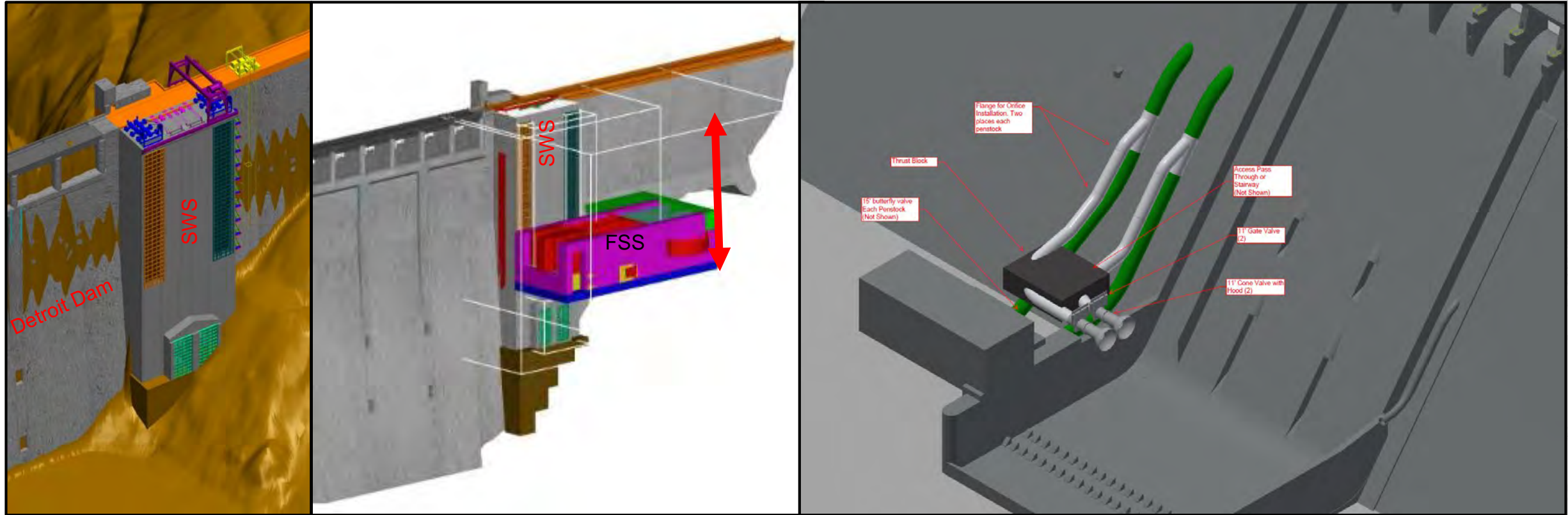
IS THIS SOLUTION CONSTRUCTIBLE UNDERWATER?



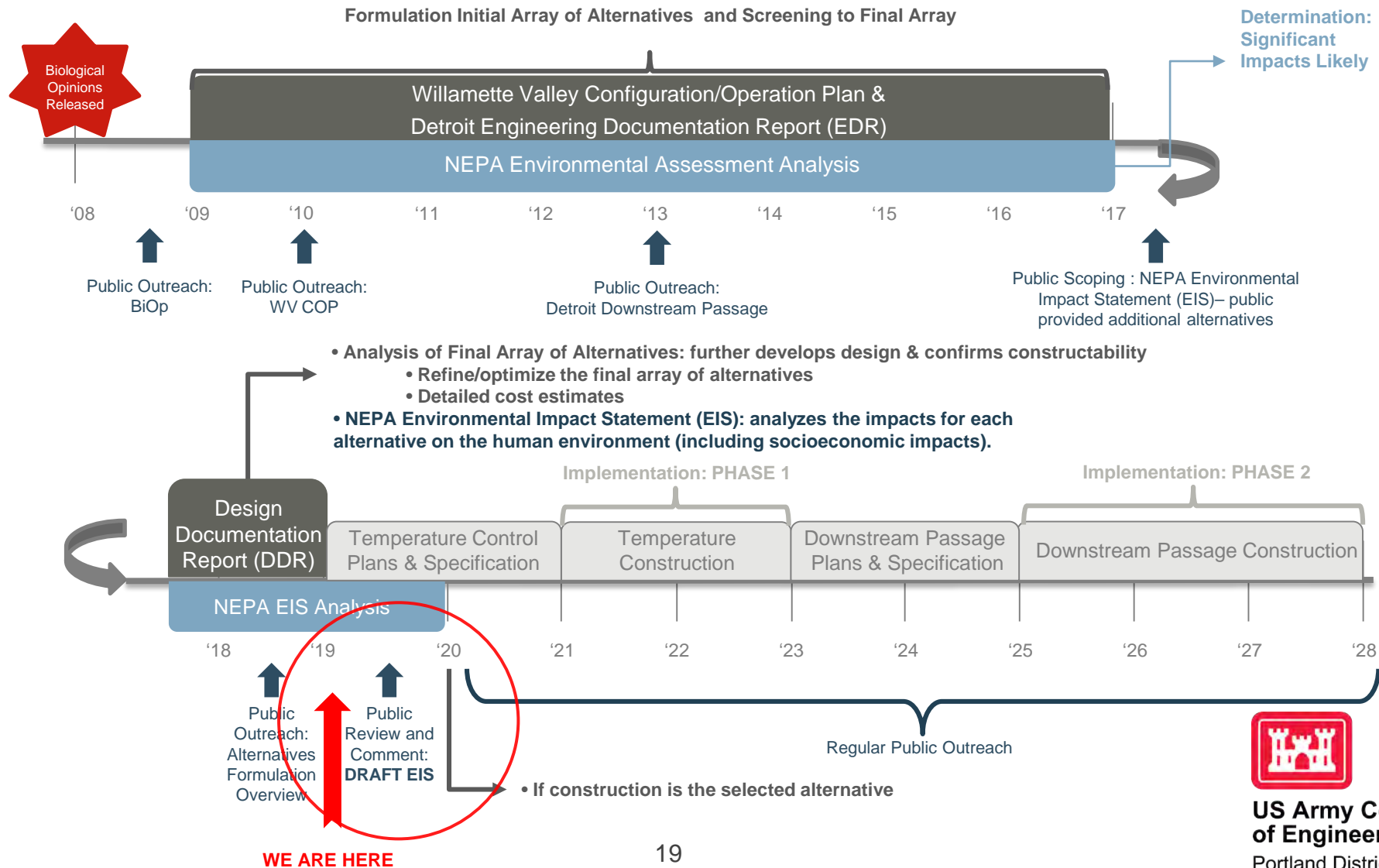
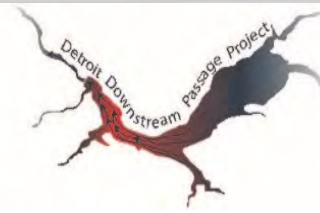
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REVISED DESIGN FOR UNDERWATER CONSTRUCTION



Detroit Downstream Passage Project: Project Timeline



DETROIT UPDATE SUMMARY

NEPA Process works!

- Scoping comments heard

Major construction will have impacts

- We have minimized as much as possible

Draft EIS will be out and recommend construction in the wet, following normal rule curve

- 3 public meetings (all 5:30 – 7:30)
 - May 29th Gates Fire Hall
 - June 4th ODFW Headquarters Commissioners Room
 - June 6th Stayton Community Center
- Comment period late May – late July

Nothing is final until the Record of Decision is signed

- Expect that to be 2020



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QUESTIONS?



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