

Fish Passage Construction

Update to Fish Passage and Stream Restoration Training
2021 Fish Passage Construction Season

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**This will
be record**

*To **inform** Fish Passage practitioners on the **challenges** associated with fish passage construction and implementing the **designs and specification** to **meet the project intent** and provide a water crossing that is **sustainable to fish passage** for the life of the crossing.*

Water is the driving force of all nature.

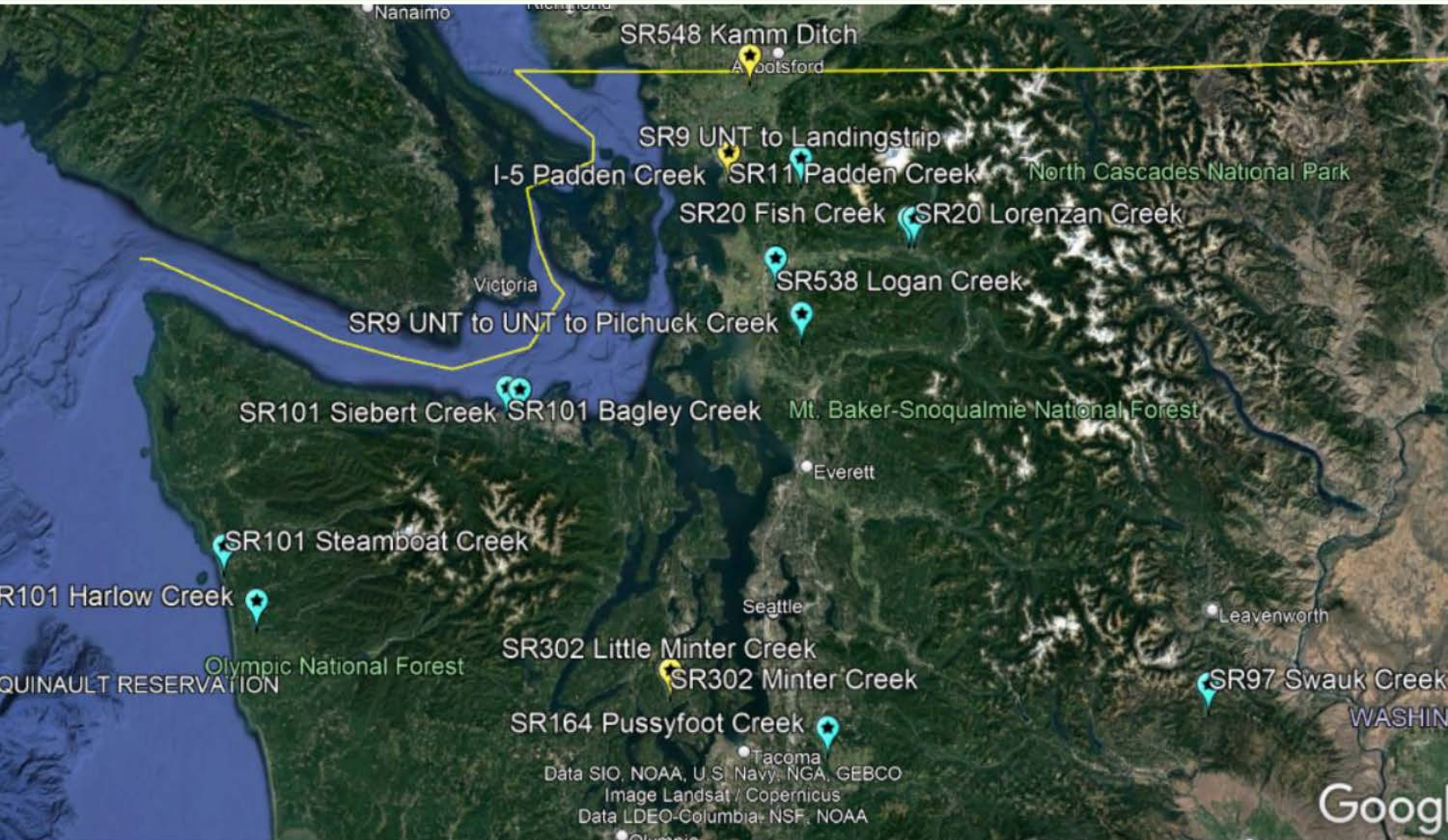
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Learning Objectives



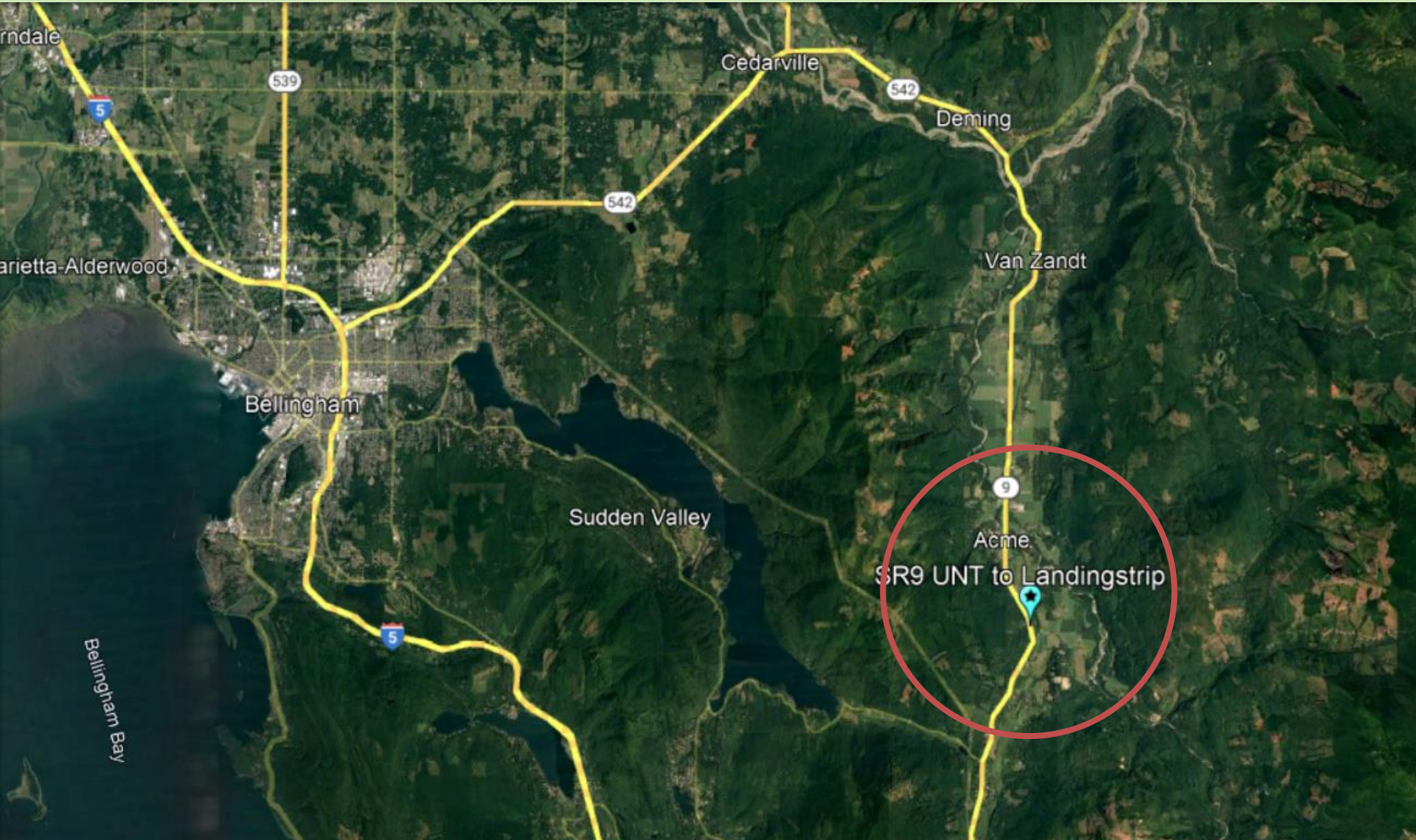
- Understanding high risk items and how to avoid them
- Seeking opportunities for improvements
- Interpreting and understand the designs & specifications pertaining to;
 - Streambed alignment/geometry
 - Streambed materials,
 - Channel complexities,
 - Large woody material,
 - Design plans & details

Project Examples



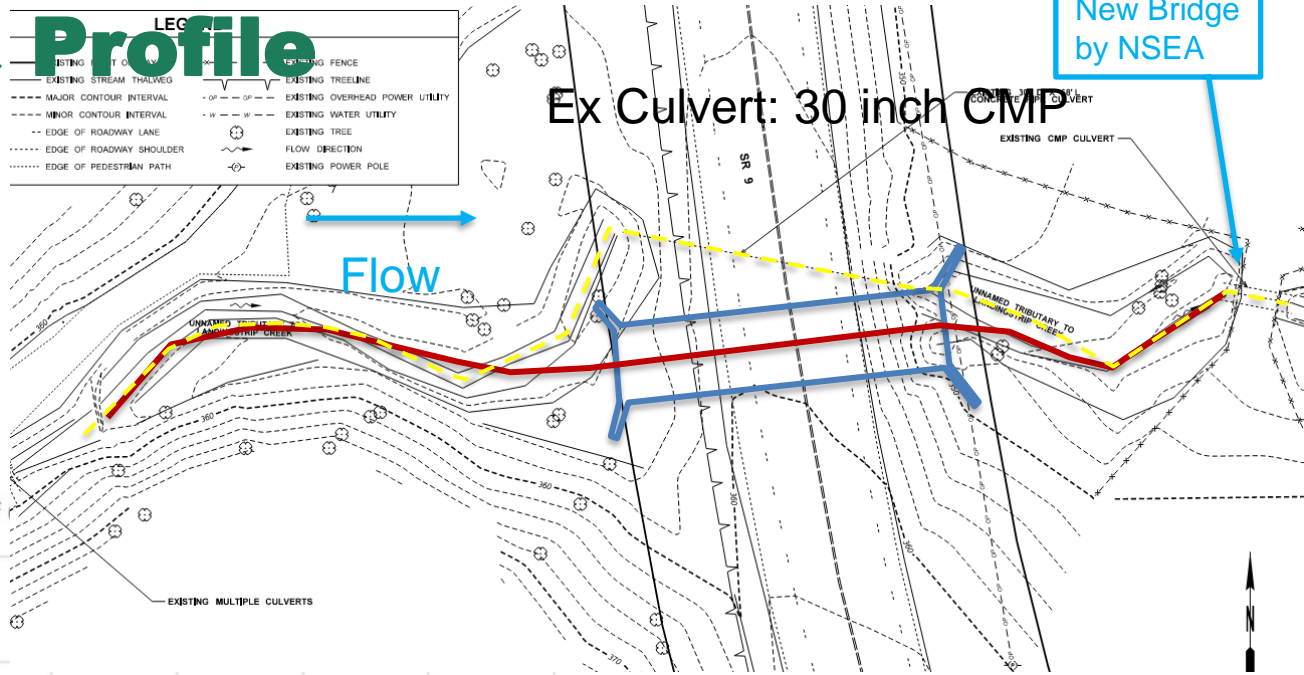
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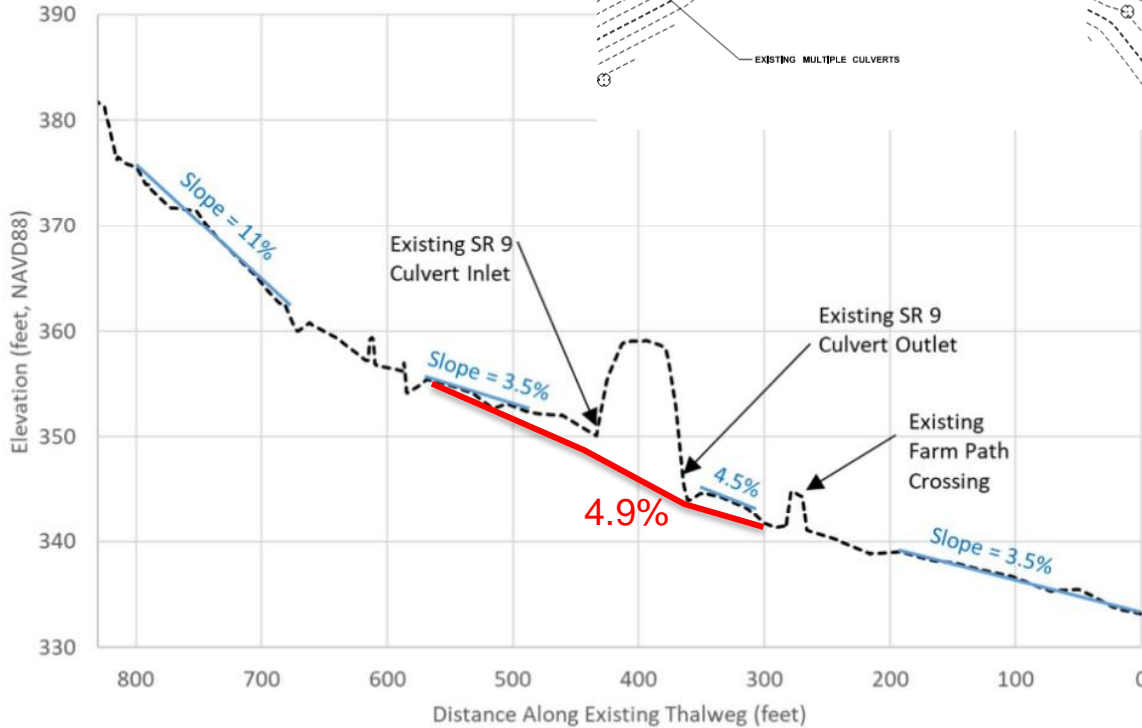


Alignment & Profile

LEGEND	
---	EXISTING FENCE
---	EXISTING STREAM THALWEG
---	MAJOR CONTOUR INTERVAL
---	MINOR CONTOUR INTERVAL
---	EDGE OF ROADWAY LANE
---	EDGE OF ROADWAY SHOULDER
---	EDGE OF PEDESTRIAN PATH
---	EXISTING TREE LINE
---	EXISTING OVERHEAD POWER UTILITY
---	EXISTING WATER UTILITY
---	EXISTING TREE
---	FLOW DIRECTION
---	EXISTING POWER POLE



Longitudinal Profile in Vicinity of





Reference Reach

Streambed Material

- Reuse of existing streambed material?

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16 Streambed Sediment and/or Streambed Cobbles may be available from the existing
17 streambed excavation limits as shown in the Plans. Components of the excavated streambed
18 which meet the criteria for the specific material may be used to supplement the Streambed
19 Sediment and/or Streambed Cobbles and will be based upon visual acceptance by the
20 Engineer.

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22 Streambed Material matching the design streambed gradation may be available from
23 unprocessed pit run sources. Pit run sources to be reviewed for use, shall require a submittal
24 of a sieve analysis completed within the same calendar year of placement. If the material is
25 confirmed as a potential source, the material will be sampled and tested by the Engineer for
26 final acceptance. Submittal of these materials for use shall be submitted before the first
27 working day.

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Imported Sediment



Native Alluvium

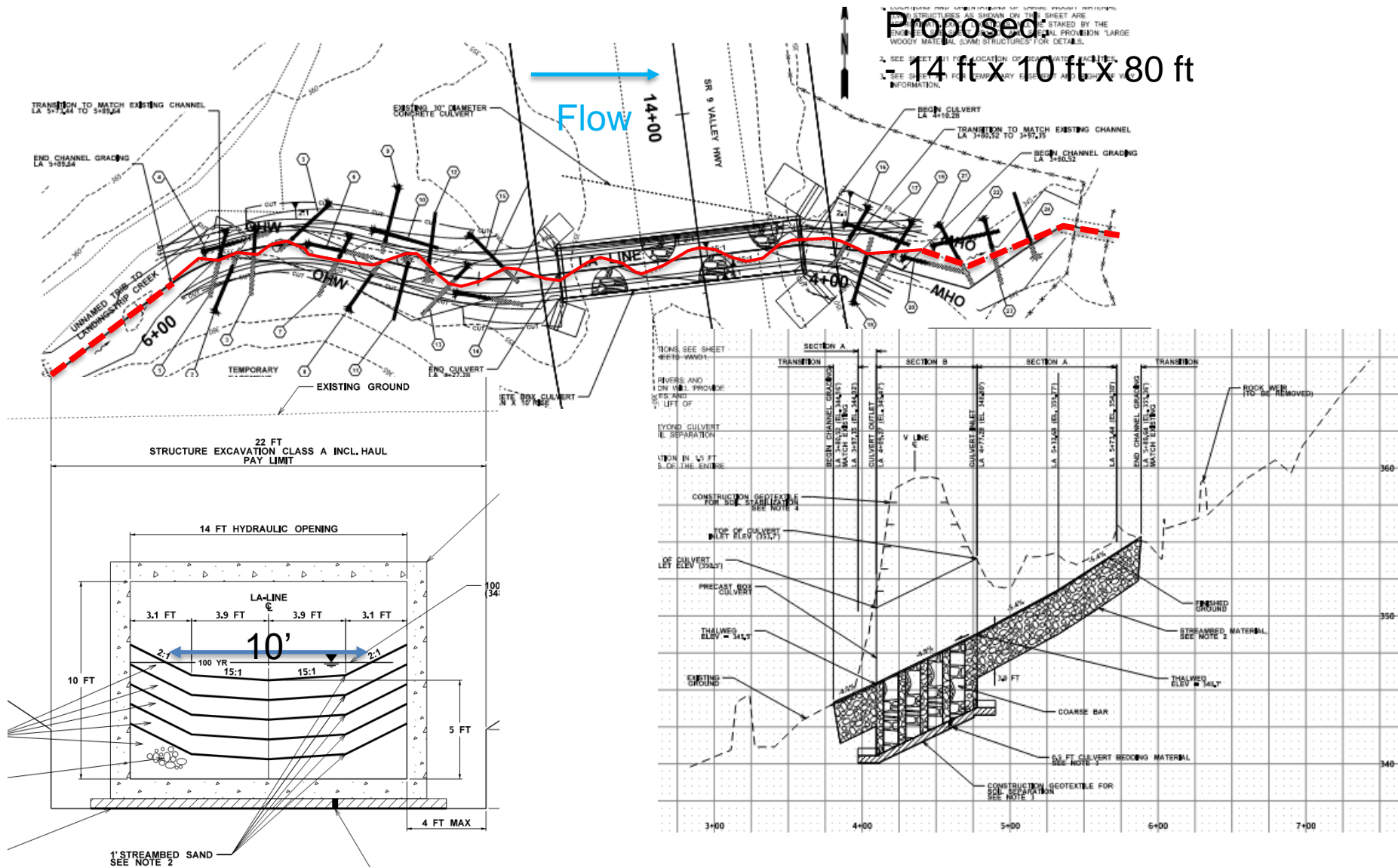
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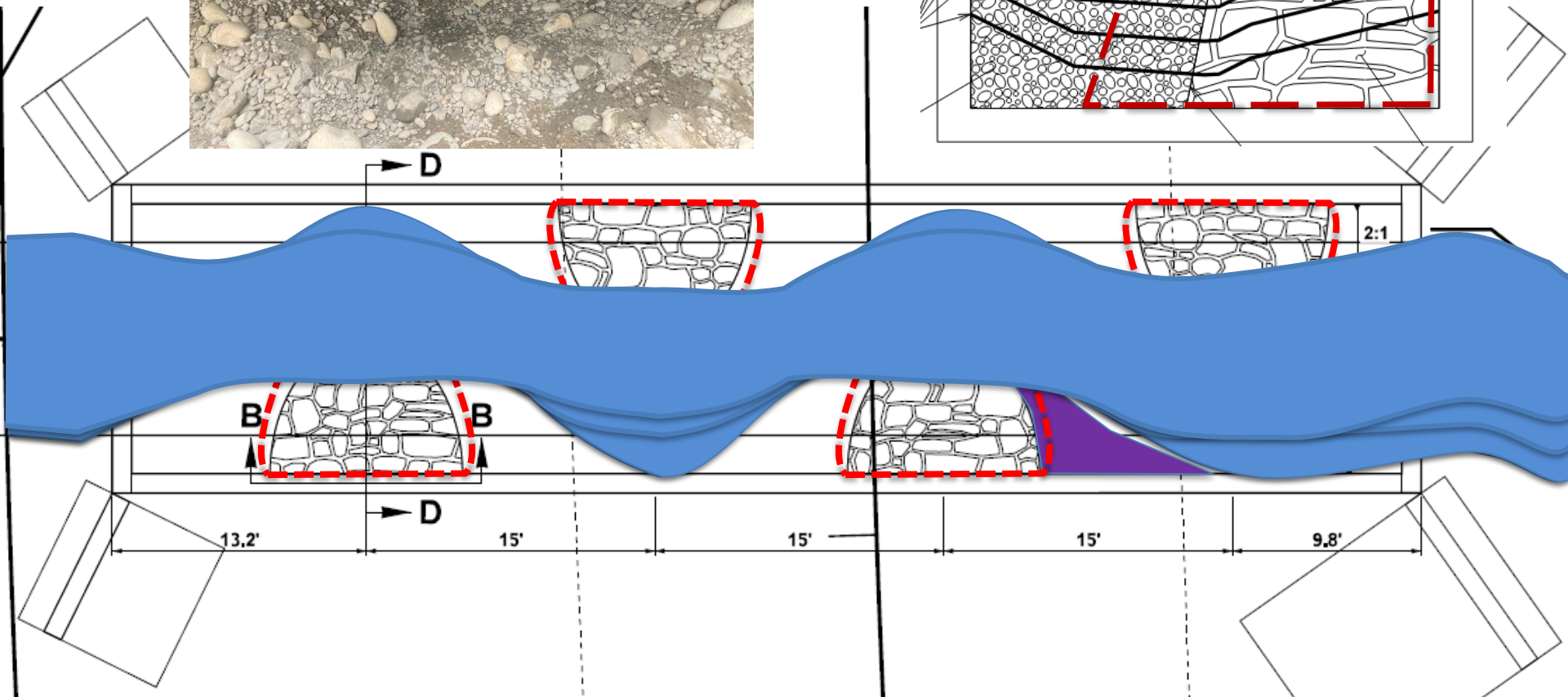
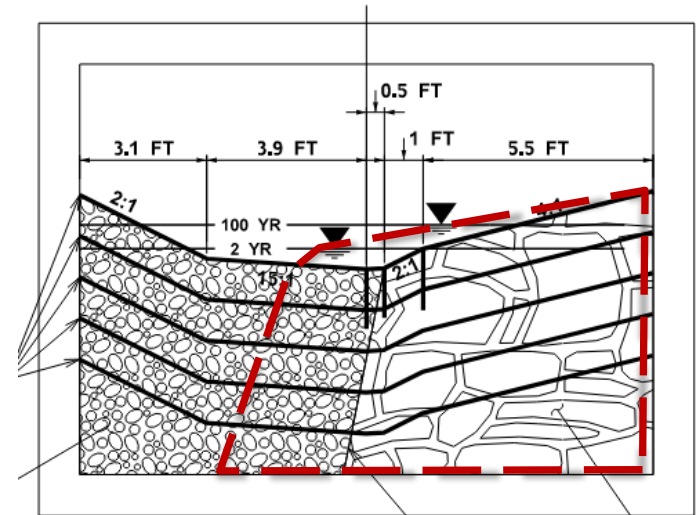
Samples:				
Work within the wetted perimeter may only occur during the time periods authorized in the APP ID 21036 entitled "Allowable Freshwater Work Times May 2018". Work outside of the wetted perimeter may occur year-round. APPS website: https://www.govonlinesaas.com/WA/WDFW/Public/Client/WA_WDFW/Shared/Pages/Main/Login.aspx				
Were any sample(s) collected from below the OHWM?		No <input type="checkbox"/> If no, then stop here.		
		Yes <input type="checkbox"/> If yes, then fill out the proceeding section for each sample.		
Sample #:	Work Start:	Work End:	Latitude:	Longitude:
Summary/description of location:				
Summarize/describe the sample location.				
Description of work below the OHWL:				
<i>Describe the work below the OHWL, including equipment used and quantity of sediment sampled.</i>				
Description of problems encountered:				
<i>Describe any problems encountered, such as provision violations, notification, corrective action, and impacts to fish life and water quality from problems that arose.</i>				



Proposed Alignment/Profile/Section



Streambed Geometry & Meander Bar





Minimum Hydraulic Opening

What drives MHO?

1. **BFW – (stream simulation/confined bridge)**
2. **Velocity Ratio 1.1 – (unconfined bridge)**
3. Floodplain Connectivity
4. Lateral Migration
5. Flood Prone Width
6. Valley Width
7. Aggradation/Degradation
8. Hydraulic Backwater
9. 100yr WSE
10. Stream Sinuosity
11. Meander Amplitude
12. Channel Complexities (Boulders/LWM)
13. Model Comparison of Widths Smaller/Larger (sensitivity analysis)

Structure Size



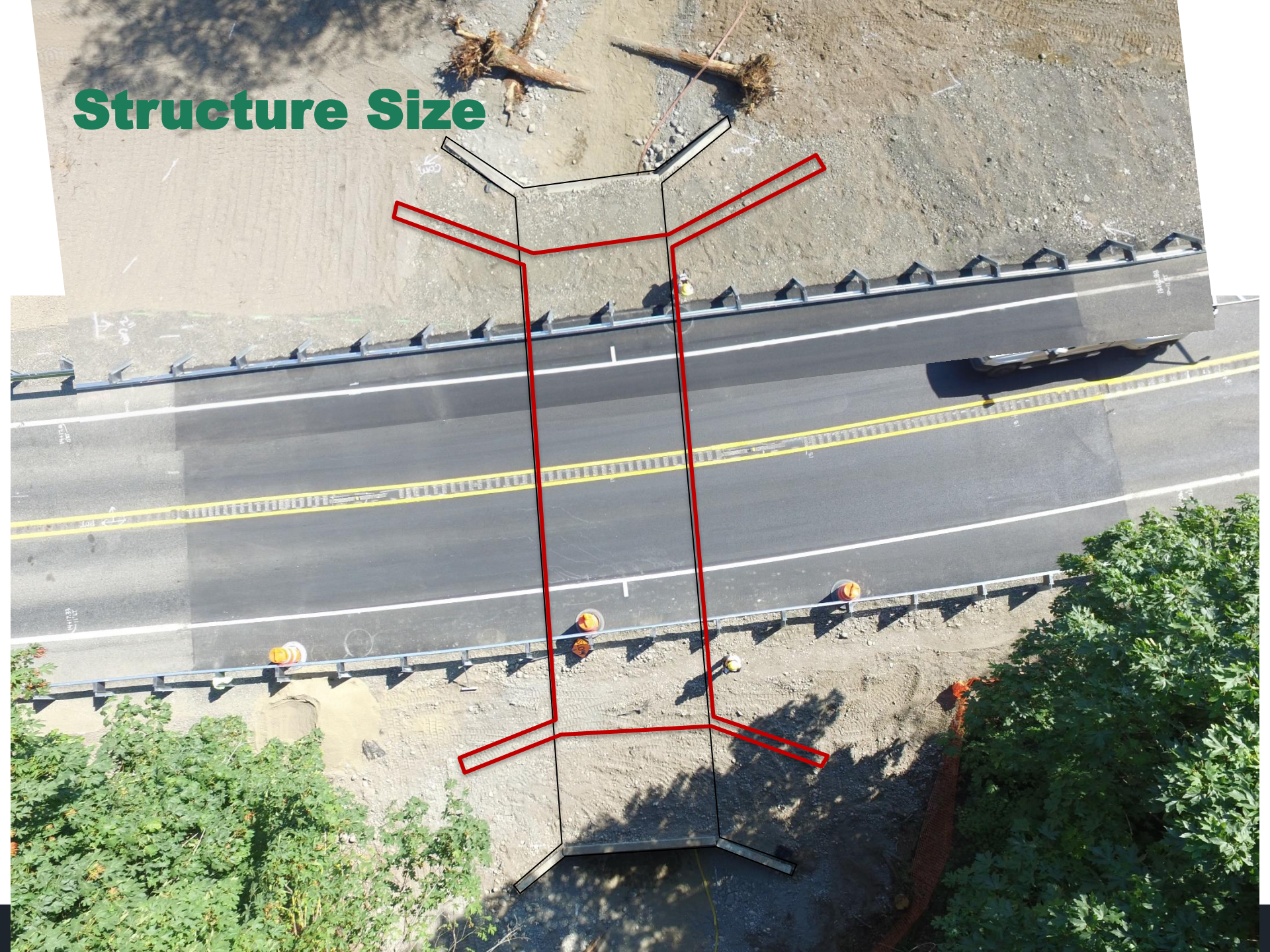
Structure Size

Dingos



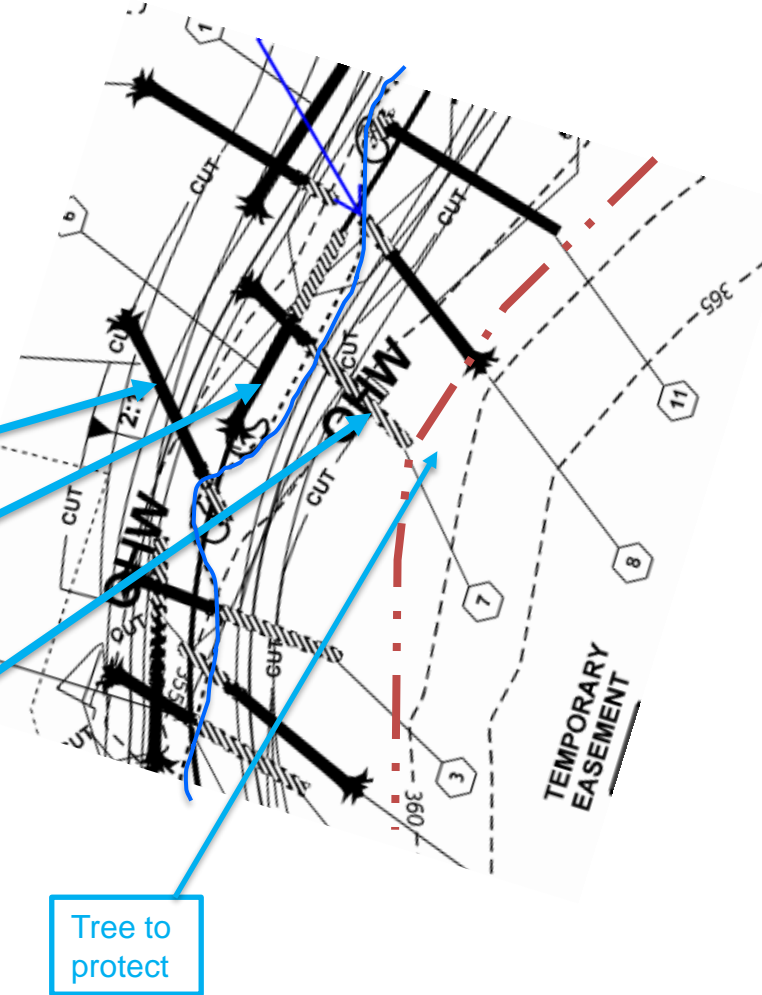
“Micro” Excavator

Structure Size



LWM Installation

- LWM not drawn to scale
- LWM typical details didn't work all the time
- Consider clearing & grubbing limits



LWM Installation

- *Very large rootwads for channel.*



11 ft RW, 14 ft channel

Objects in the drawings may be larger than they appear.

LWM Installation



Project



Project



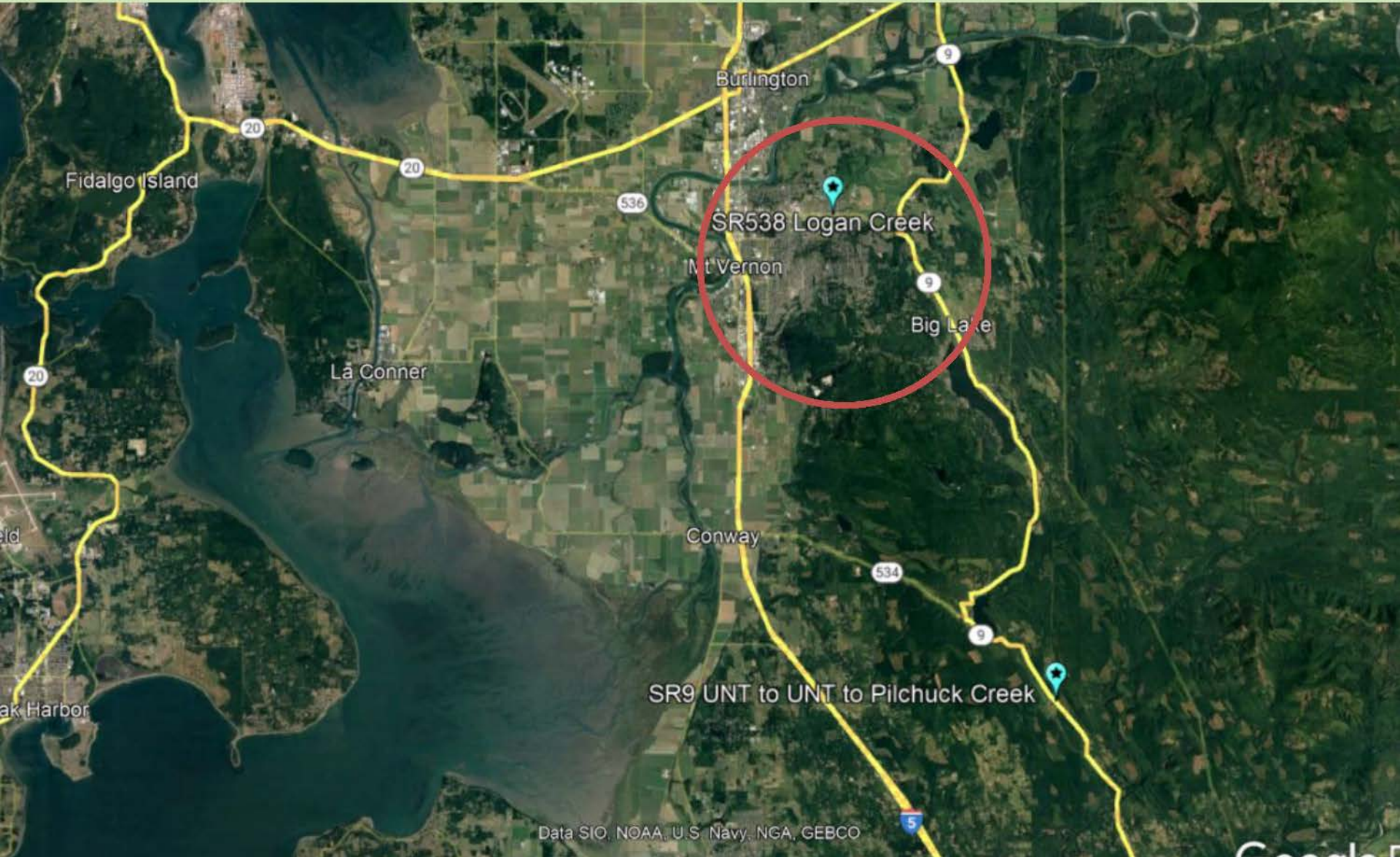


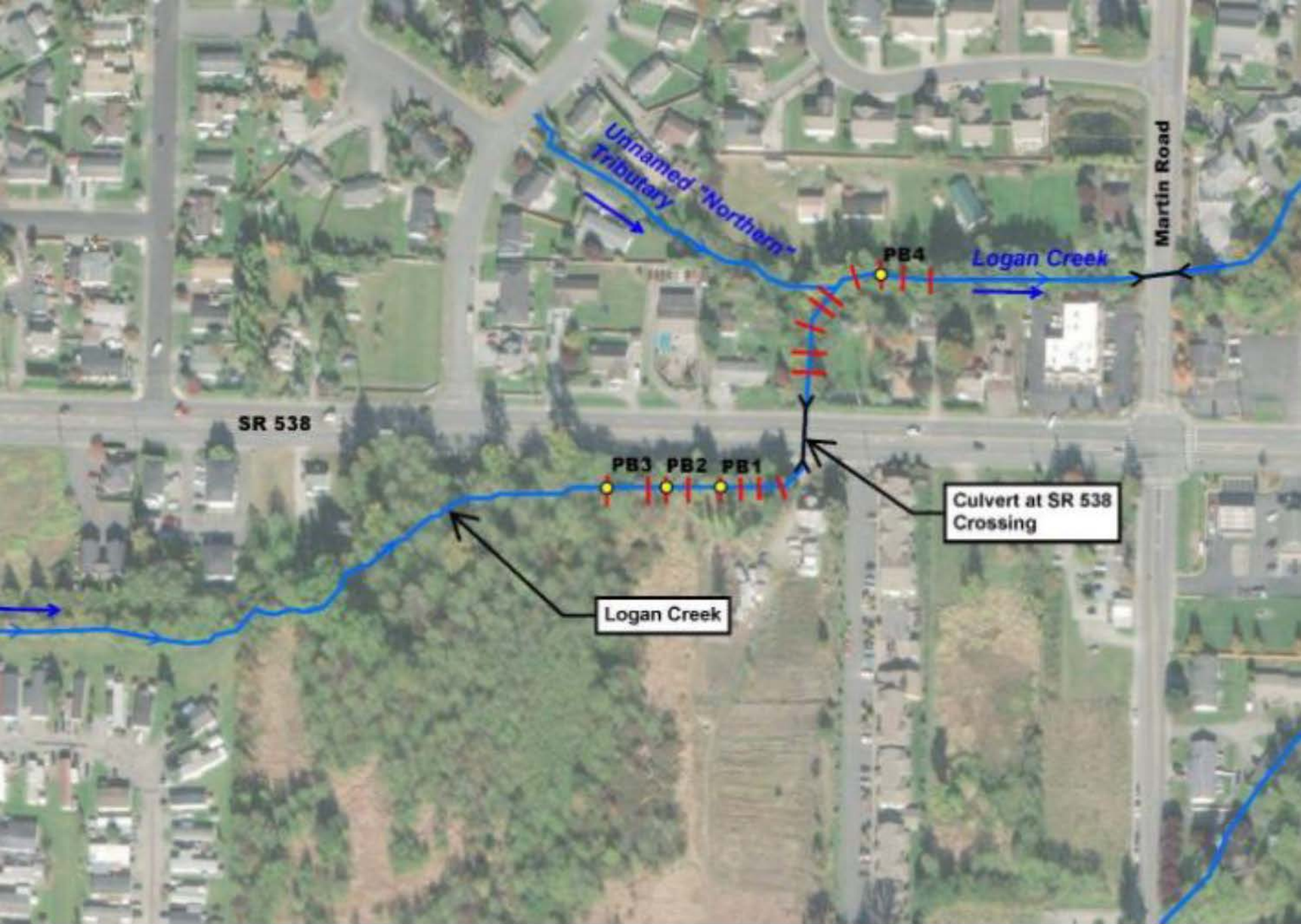
Lessons Learned

Challenges	Success	Opportunities
Downstream project tie-in	Contractor – wanted to be successful	Show LWM to scale
Limited water resources for watering in	Early start in fish window	Additional Freeboard clearance
Consider proposed condition with clearing/grubbing areas	Layering & Watering in Blended materials	Shorter crossing structure
High flows before bank stabilization	Good LWM design & details	Extension of Meander Bars
	Added Meander Bar in the field	Coarser Meander Bars
		Better coordination with downstream project

SR 538 MP 2.18

Logan Creek #NC129





Logan Creek

Culvert at SR 538 Crossing

SR 538

PB3 PB2 PB1

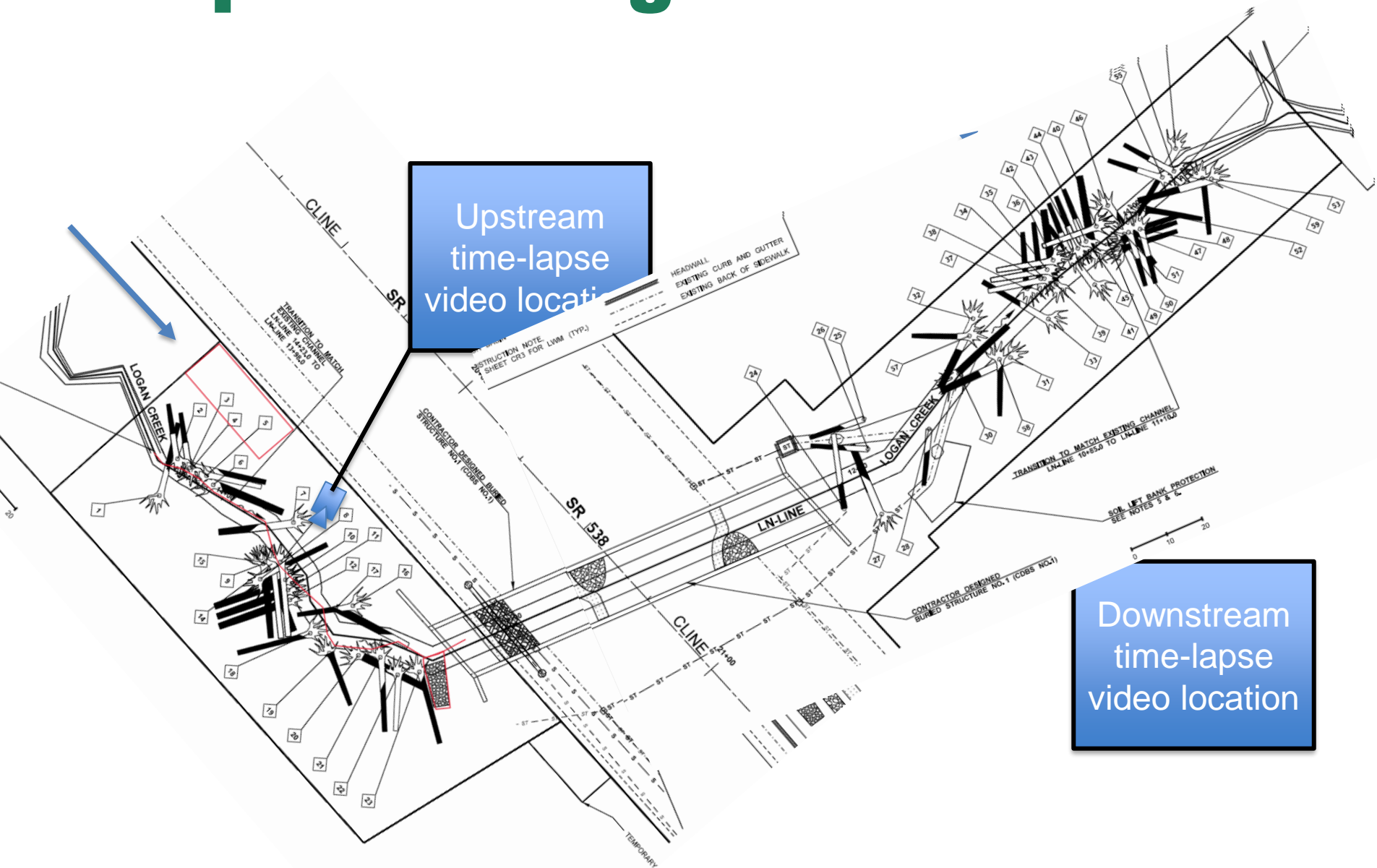
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Unnamed "Northern" Tributary

Logan Creek

Martin Road

Proposed Design

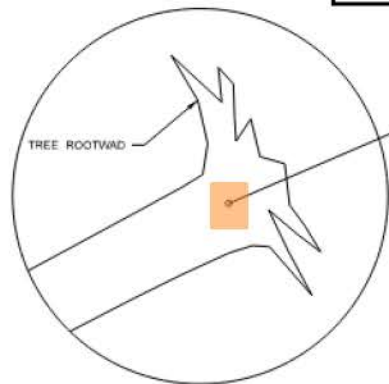


Proposed Design

LARGE WOODY MATERIAL (LWM) LOCATION TABLE											
SHEET No	LWM NO.	TYPE	MIN. LENGTH (FO)	DIAM. (INCHES)	ROOTWAD (Y/N)	STATION/OFFSET	ANGLE A (DEG.)	ANGLE B (DEG.)	DISTANCE C (FT) (SEE NOTE 1)	DISTANCE D (FT)	LOGS LOCATED ABOVE
CR1	1	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 14+15 (RRT)	120	115	4.4	8.5	2, 3
CR1	2	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 14+18 (RRT)	-45	105	-1.0	13.5	
CR1	3	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 14+12 (RRT)	-45	105	-1.0	13.5	
CR1	4	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 14+11 (SLT)	-160	110	5.0	8.5	5
CR1	5	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 14+07 (RRT)	-160	99	1.0	7.5	
CR1	6	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 14+04 (RRT)	-179	110	2.4	0.5	8
CR1	7	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+62 (RRT)	-135	120	5.7	8.5	
CR1	8	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 13+18 (10LT)	80	125	5.2	8.5	13
CR1	9	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+79 (FLT)					
CR1	10	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+72 (SLT)					
CR1	11	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+66 (SLT)					
CR1	12	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+63 (SLT)					
CR1	13	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 13+76 (SLT)					
CR1	14	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 13+77 (SLT)					
CR1	15	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+79 (FLT)					
CR1	16	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 13+47 (RRT)					
CR1	17	A	20	24-30	N	LN 13+57 (RRT)					
CR1	18	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 13+55 (SLT)					
CR1	19	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 13+62 (SLT)					
CR1	20	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 13+44 (SLT)					
CR1	21	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 13+08 (SLT)					
CR1	22	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 13+01 (FLT)					
CR1	23	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 13+25 (SLT)					

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CR2	26	C	15	18-24	N	LN 11+95 (RRT)	-165	115	-3.9	0.0	
CR2	27	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 11+89 (12LT)	90	115	-3.8	6.5	
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CR2	30	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 11+62 (19T)	-180	110	-7.4	0.0	
CR2	31	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 11+50 (SLT)	160	115	-5.8	0.0	30, 58
CR2	32	A	20	24-30	Y	LN 11+49 (RRT)	-160	110	-5.8	0.0	30, 57
						+36 (BLT)	110	115	-4.4	6.5	34, 35, 36
						+29 (RRT)	-45	100	1.5	12.5	
						+27 (RRT)	-45	100	1.5	12.5	
						+24 (RRT)	-45	100	1.5	12.5	
						+34 (RRT)	-130	100	-2.5	14.5	34, 35, 36
						+30 (RRT)	-130	100	-2.5	14.5	34, 35, 36
						+28 (1LT)	-130	100	-2.5	16.5	34, 35, 39, 40
						+10 (RRT)	-25	95	2.5	9.5	
						+20 (BLT)	90	115	-5.4	9.5	36, 40
						+20 (RRT)	-110	100	0.5	16.5	40
						+17 (RRT)	-110	100	0.5	16.5	40
						+15 (RRT)	-110	100	0.5	16.5	40
						+15 (1LT)	-130	100	-2.5	19.5	40
						+04 (RRT)	-80	115	-5.4	9.5	47, 48, 49, 50, 51
						+05 (SLT)	85	105	-6.4	15.0	
						+02 (4LT)	85	105	-6.4	15.0	
						+09 (SLT)	100	110	-3.4	7.5	47, 48
						+07 (SLT)	100	110	-3.4	7.5	47, 48, 52
						+06 (SLT)	100	110	-3.4	7.5	47, 48, 52
						+98 (1LT)	135	105	-1.4	14.5	
						+78 (BLT)	160	115	-6.8	0.0	
						+81 (RRT)	-155	110	-4.4	0.5	50, 59
CR2	33	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 10+89 (2RT)	-65	105	-6.4	15.0	
CR2	36	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 10+85 (2RT)	-65	105	-6.4	15.0	
CR2	37	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 11+53 (RRT)	-45	115	-2.4	13.5	
CR2	38	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 11+52 (SLT)	45	115	-2.4	13.5	
CR2	39	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 10+80 (SLT)	45	115	-2.4	13.5	

LARGE WOODY DEBRIS (LWD) TOTALS	
TYPE A	16
TYPE B	12
TYPE C	31
3-MAN BOULDER	2



TREE LOCATION DETAIL

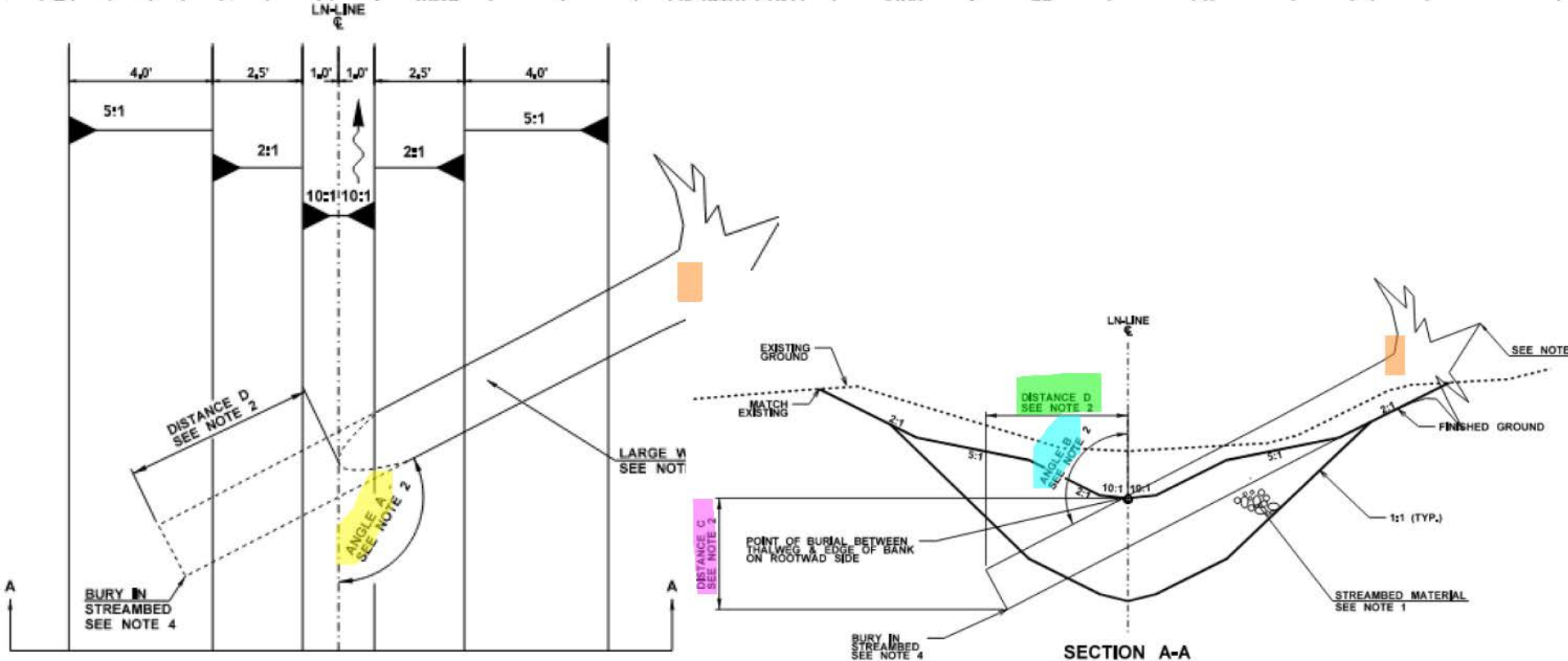
- NOTES:
 1. NEGATIVE VALUE INDICATES DEPTH BENEATH THALWEG
 POSITIVE VALUE INDICATES DEPTH ABOVE THALWEG
 2. SEE STREAM DETAILS SHEETS FOR LWM DETAILS

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CR1	4	B	20	18-24	Y	LN 14+11 (3'LT)	-160	110	-5.0	8.5	5
CR1	5	C	15	18-24	Y	LN 14+07 (3'RT)	-160	90	0.0	7.5	

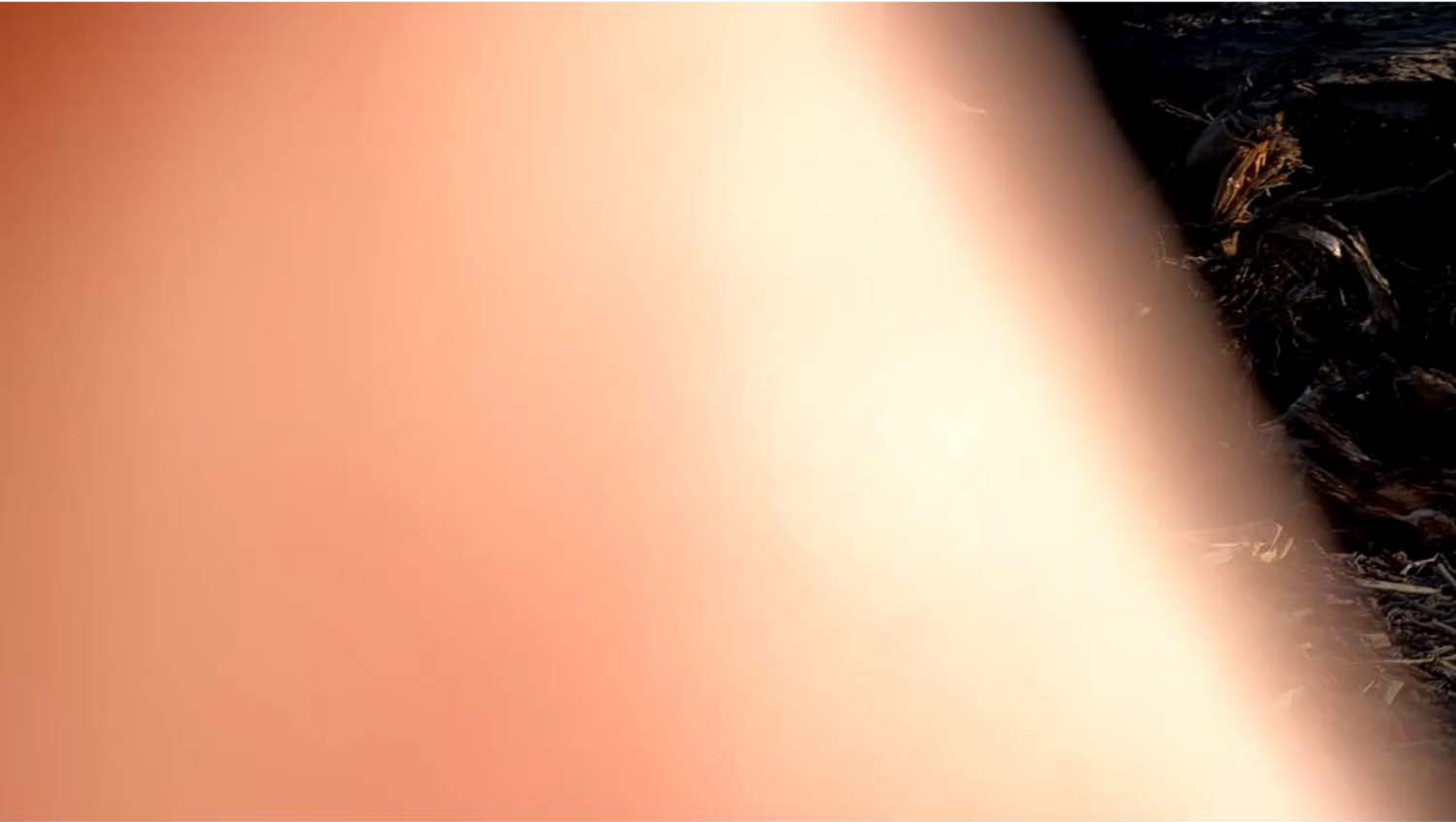


LARGE WOODY MATERIAL (LWM) TYPE A, B OR C

LWM Installation



LWM Installation



LWM Installation



Blended Streambed Material

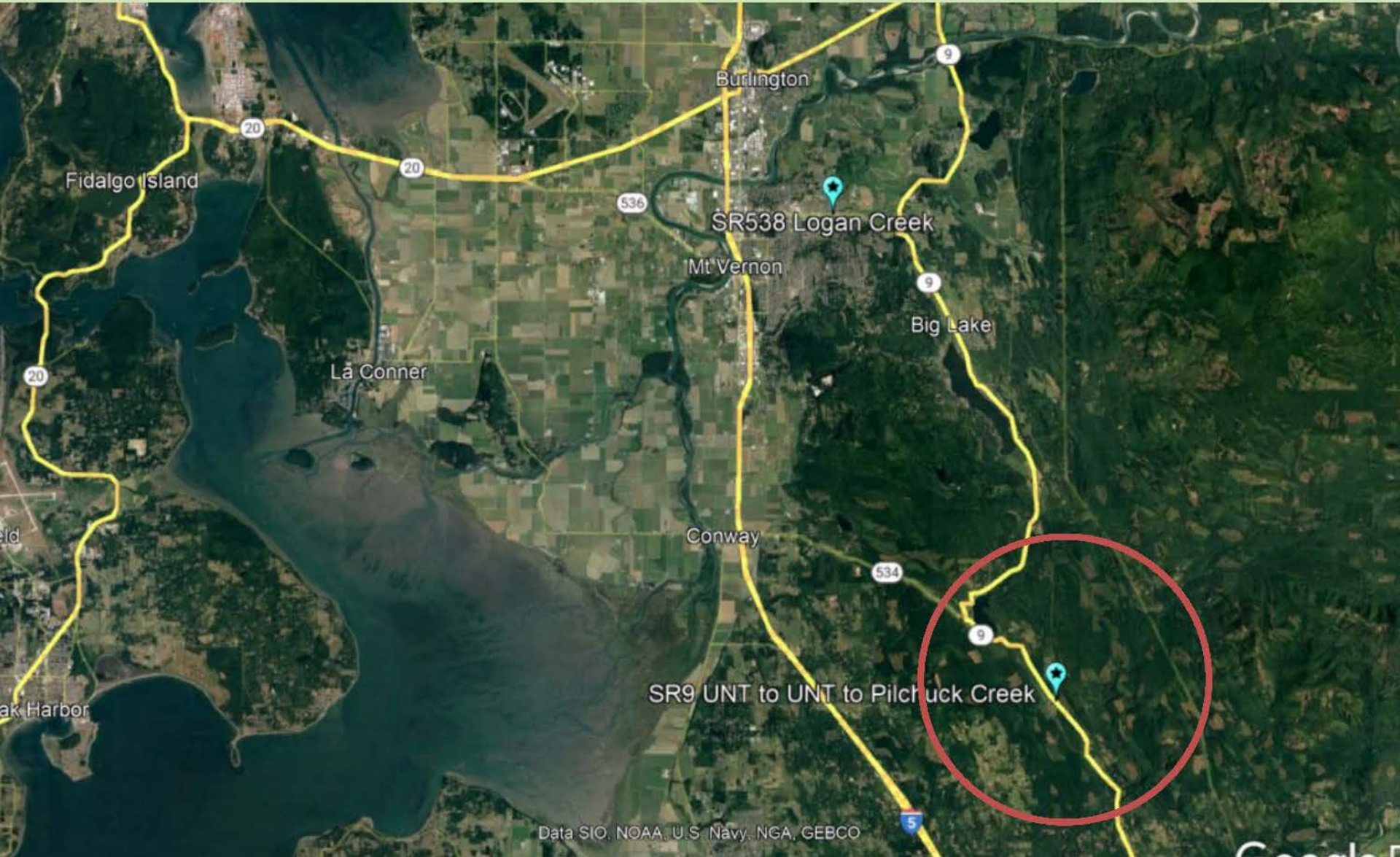


Streambed Material shall be a mix of the following aggregates with the amounts as called out in the plans:

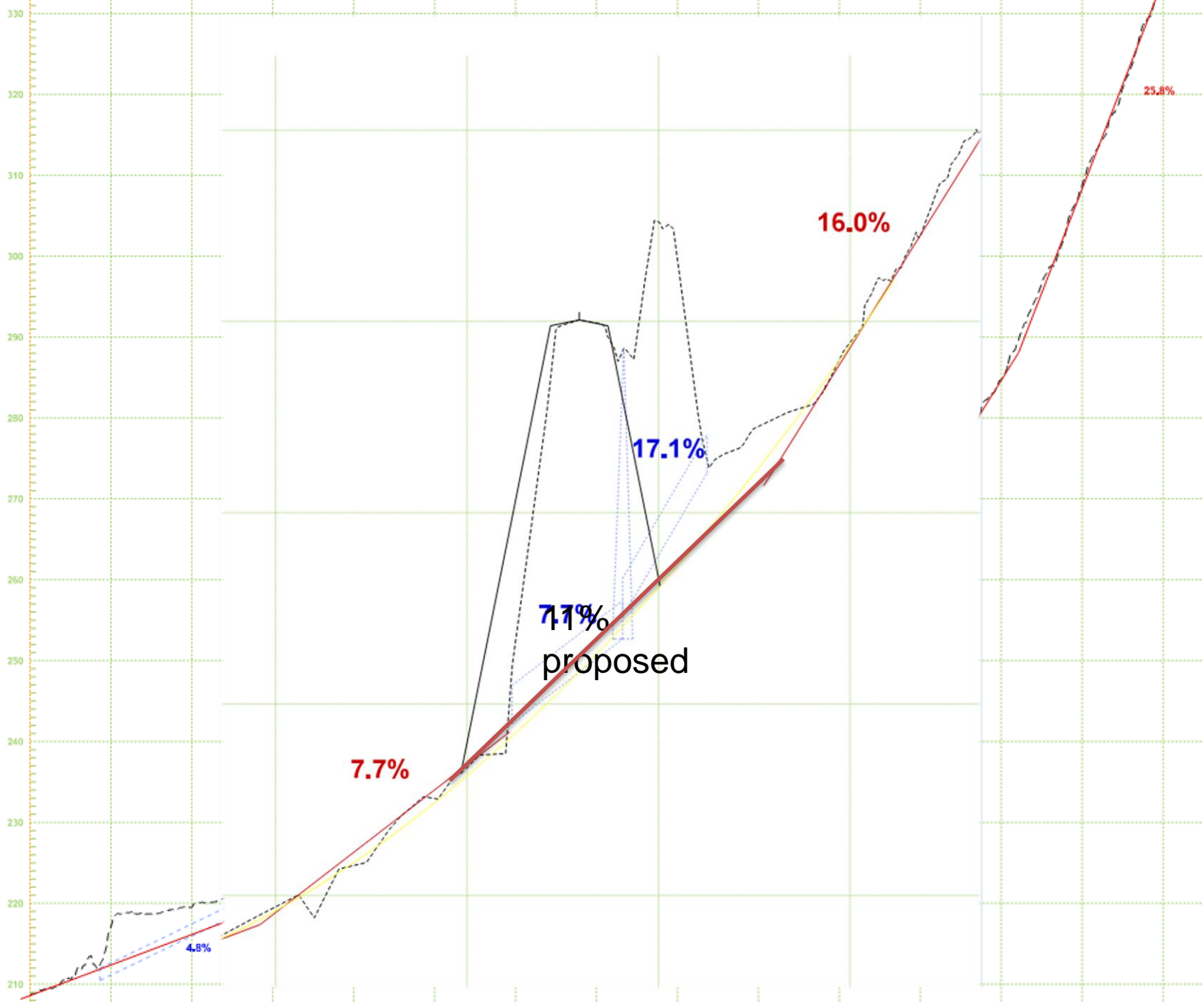
Streambed Material	
Streambed Sediment:	60%, by volume
Streambed Cobbles 4 In.:	40%, by volume

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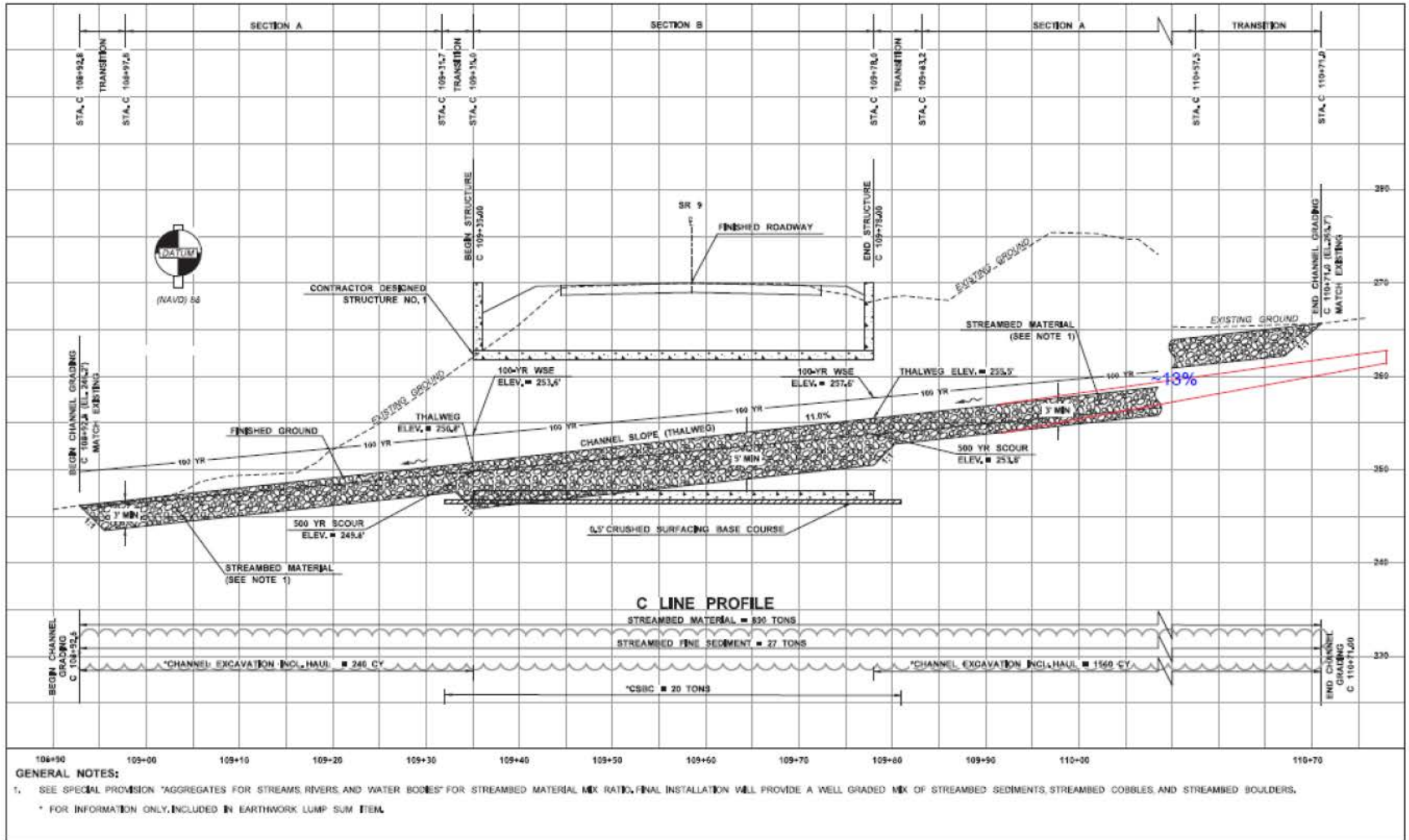
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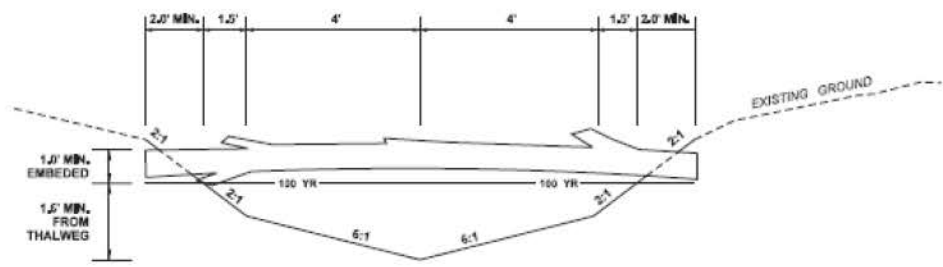
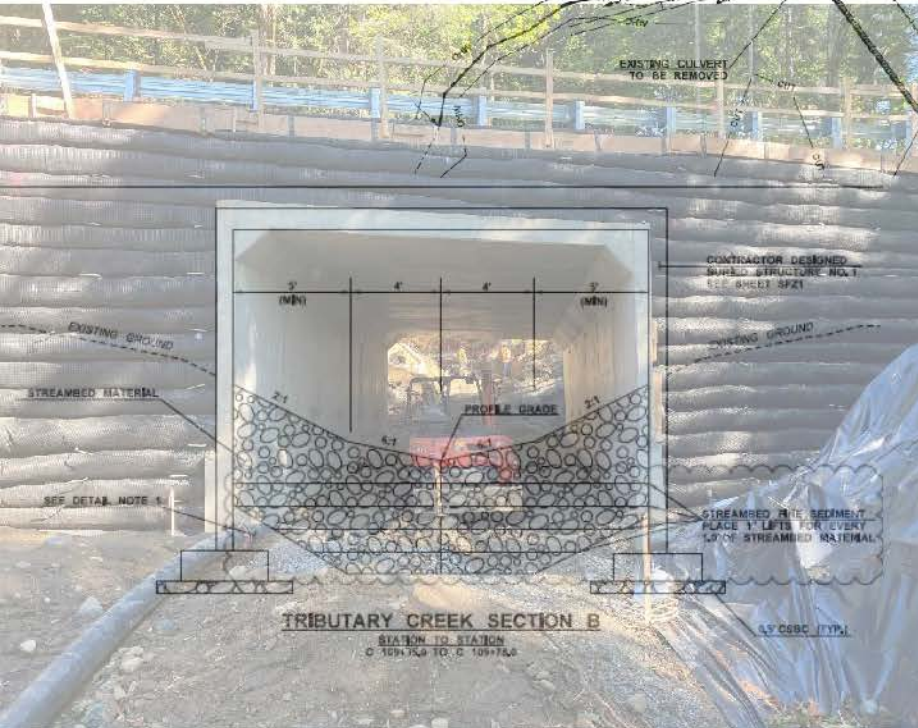
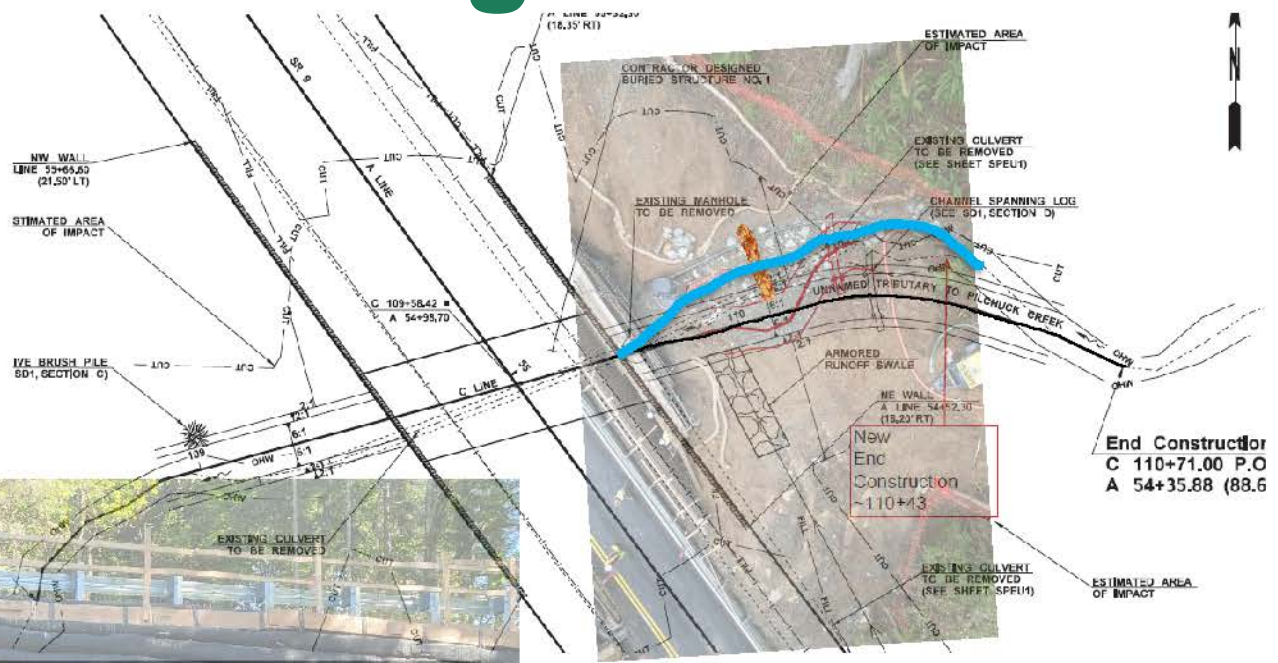




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CHANNEL SPANNING LOG DETAIL SECTION D
APPROXIMATE STATION C 110+11.04
OR AS DIRECTED BY ENGINEER

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Blended Streambed Material



Streambed Material

Streambed Sediment:	30%, by volume
Streambed Cobbles 12 IN.:	24%, by volume
Streambed Boulders One Man:	23%, by volume
Streambed Boulders Two Man:	23%, by volume

Streambed Materials

9-03.11(1) Streambed Sediment

Streambed sediment shall meet the following requirements for grading when placed in hauling vehicles for delivery to the project or during manufacture and placement into temporary stockpile. Alternate gradations may be used if proposed by the Contractor and accepted by the Engineer. The Contractor shall submit a Type 2 Working Drawing

9-03.11(2) Streambed Cobbles

The grading of the cobbles shall be determined by the Engineer by visual inspection of the load before it is dumped into place, or, if so ordered by the Engineer, by dumping individual loads on a flat surface and sorting and measuring the individual rocks contained in the load.



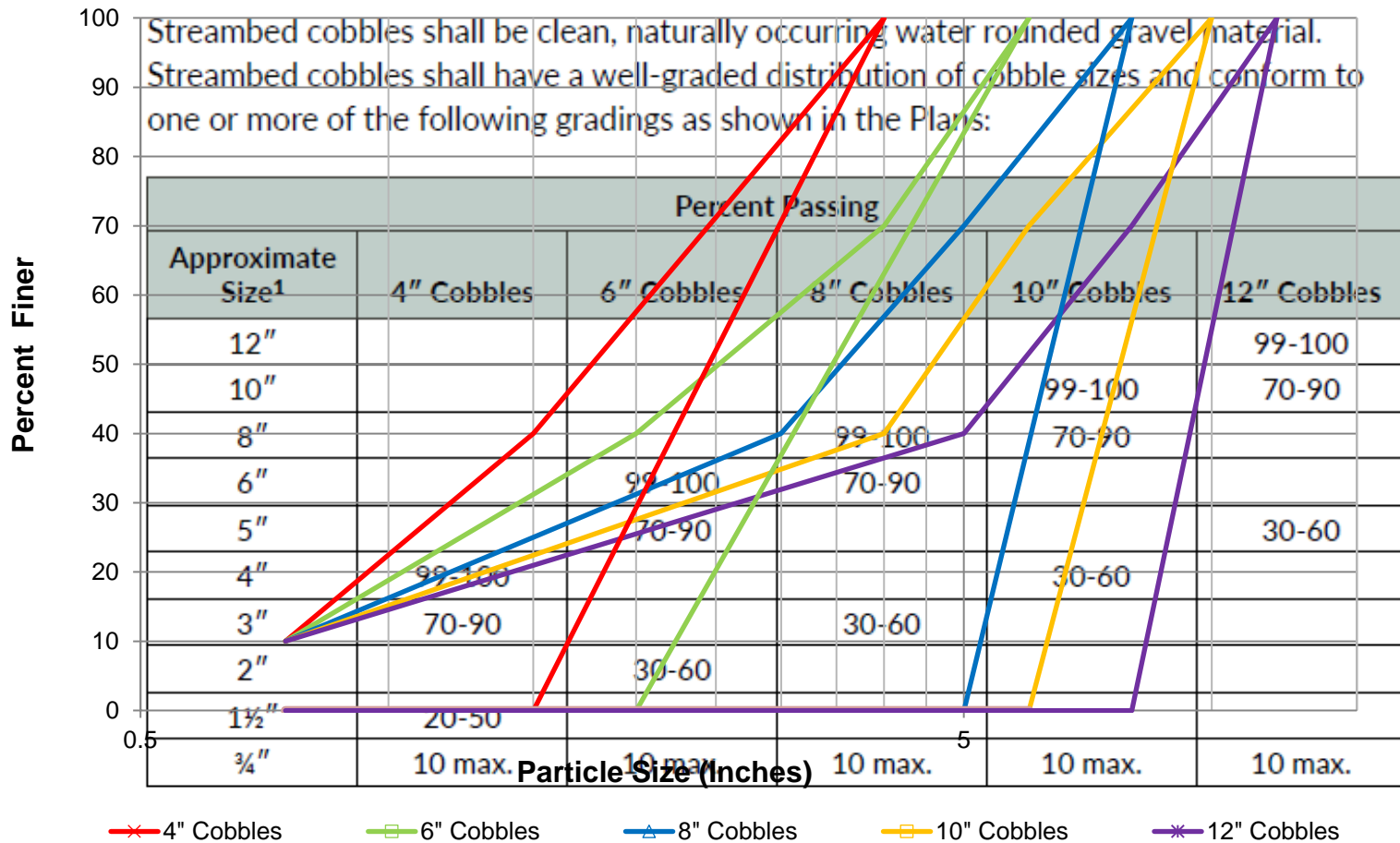
Native Alluvium



Imported Sediment

Streambed Mixes

9-03.11(2) Standard Specification 9-03.11(2)



Streambed Material

Streambed Material shall be a mix of the following aggregates with the associated ratios, as called out in the plans:

Streambed Material

Streambed Sediment:

50%, by volume

Streambed Cobbles 6 In.:

50%, by volume



Figure 42 Proposed Sediment Gradation

Streambed Sediment



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Three-Man (Type 3)



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Lessons Learned

Challenges	Success	Opportunities
Contractor – Not in it to win it	Steep Step-Pool Bed Design	More LWM and MWM
Communication – PEO to Contractor to HQ	Good team work once initiated	Increase structure height
Contractor - Unsure how to execute, lack urgency	Mixing and placement of material	Minimized impact – US grading and slope grading
Schedule uncertainty – extension of fish window	Layering & Watering in Blended materials & Boulders	
Survey - bust		
TSD Plan		

Placing Streambed Material

Placement of Aggregates for Streams, Rivers, and Waterbodies

Stockpiling Aggregate

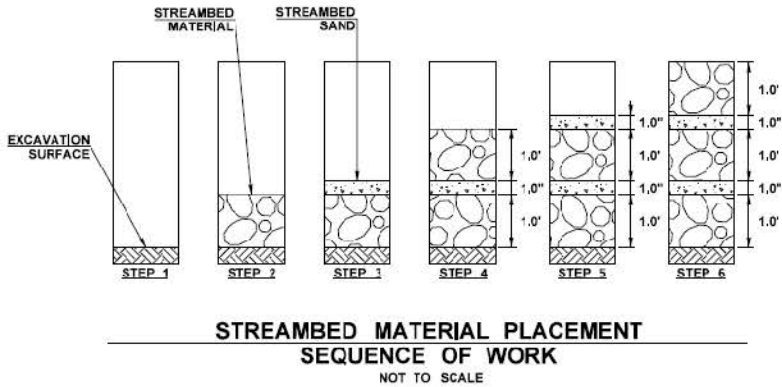
Streambed Sediment and Streambed Cobbles as described above, shall be blended into single well graded stockpiles separate from other aggregates.

Placing Aggregate in Streambed

Streambed Material shall be placed in the prepared channel excavation to the lines and grades shown on the Plans and in such a way as to prevent material segregation. Streambed Material shall be placed in lifts no thicker than 12 inches. Streambed Material in its final location shall be a well graded mix.

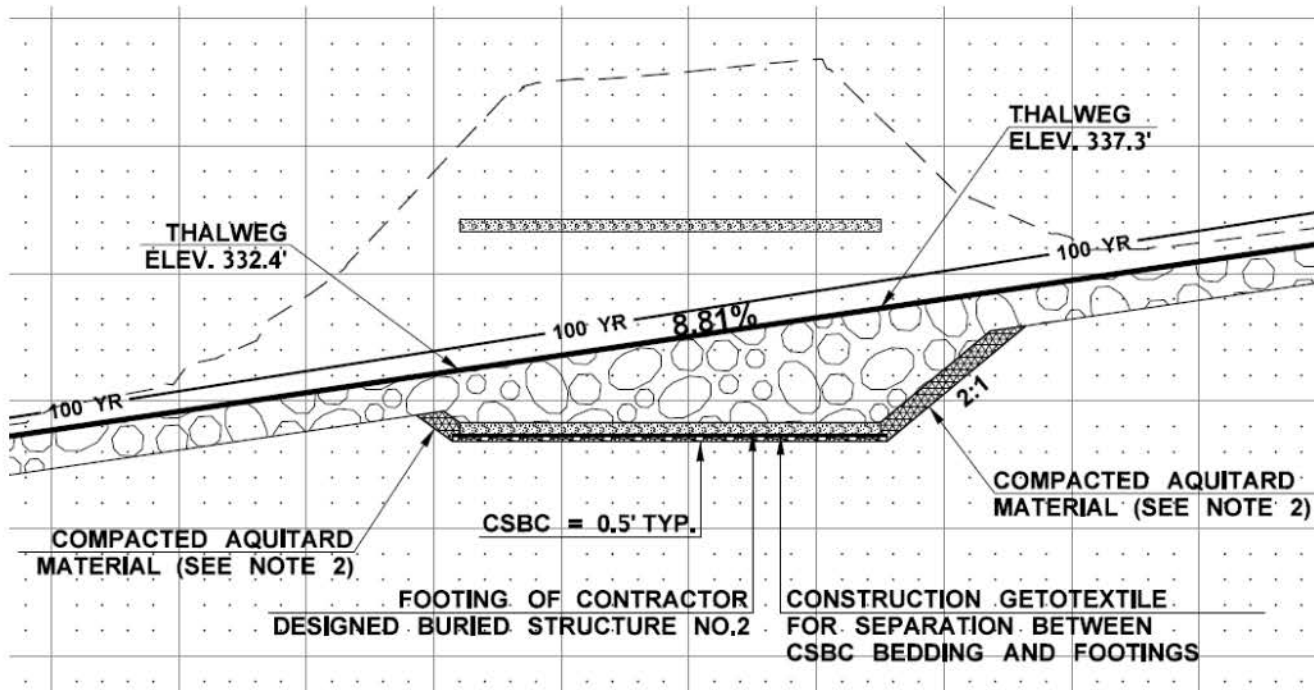
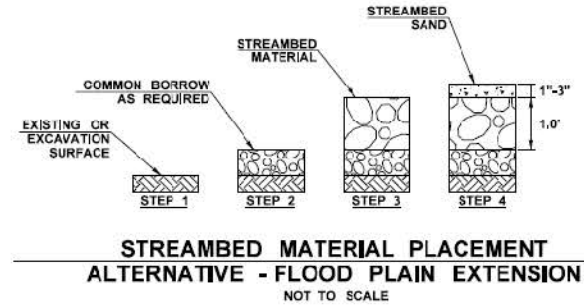
Placement of Streambed Material shall be constructed to ensure that stream low flow rate of 30 gallons per minute, or as determined by the Engineer, is conveyed above each lift. The Contractor shall apply water and 1-inch depth of Streambed Sand to each lift to facilitate filling the interstitial voids of the Streambed Materials. The voids are satisfactorily filled when water equivalent to the low flow rate of the stream does not go subsurface and there is no perceivable difference in the low flow rate from upstream of the project limits to the downstream of project limits. The Contractor shall apply water at the low flow rate to the stream channel for visual acceptance by the Engineer. Water shall be free from contaminants, chlorination and any additive that has a risk on fish and other ecological life.

Placing Streambed Material



STREAMBED CHANNEL PREPARATION

- STEP 1**
EXCAVATE CHANNEL TO ACCOMMODATE STREAMBED MATERIAL.
- STEP 2**
PLACE 1.0' LIFT OF STREAMBED MATERIAL.
- STEP 3**
PLACE A LAYER OF STREAMBED SAND UNIFORMLY OVER STREAMBED MATERIAL. APPLY WATER TO STREAMBED SAND. SEE DETAIL NOTE 2.
- STEP 4**
(REPEAT STEP 2)
- STEP 5**
(REPEAT STEP 3)
- STEP 6**
PLACE REMAINING 1.0' LIFT OF STREAMBED MATERIAL. GRADE AS SHOWN IN STREAMBED SECTION DETAILS. SEE DETAIL NOTE 3.



Streambed Sand



Sealing the Bed



Sealing the Bed



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Entrainment



Plane bed



Channel Complexities

- Coarse bands
- Meander bars
- Boulder clusters
- Large Woody Material
- Deformable Grade Control



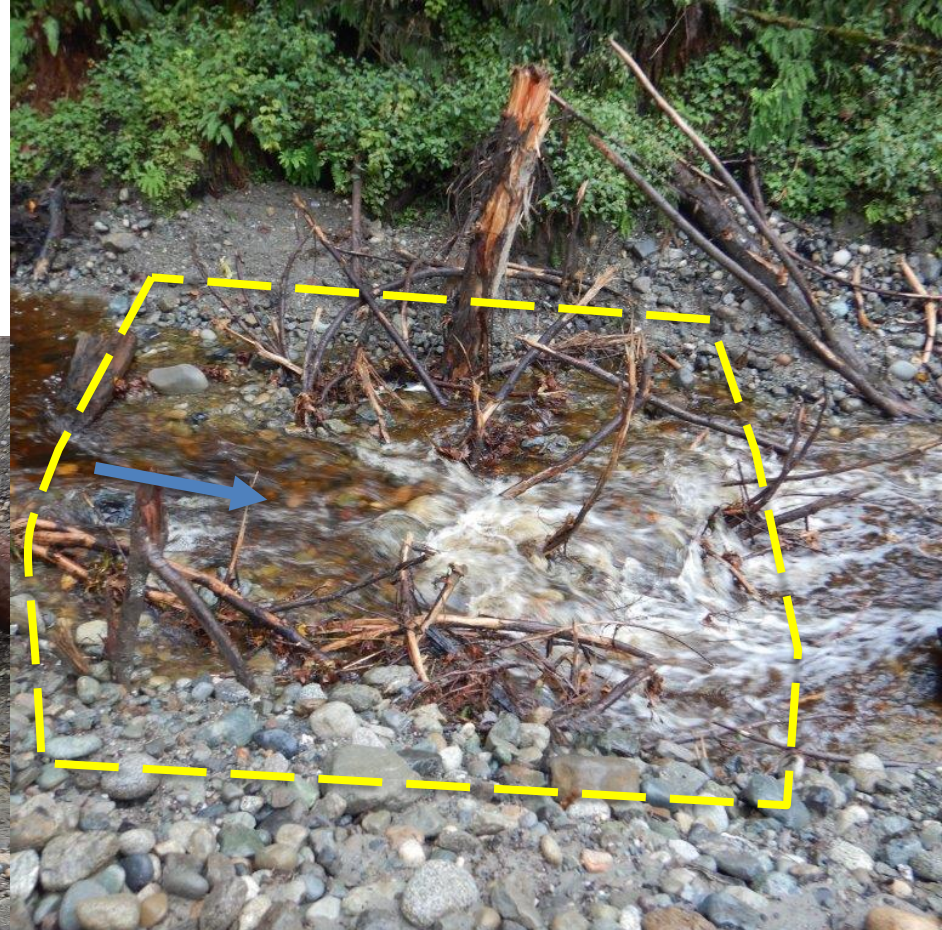
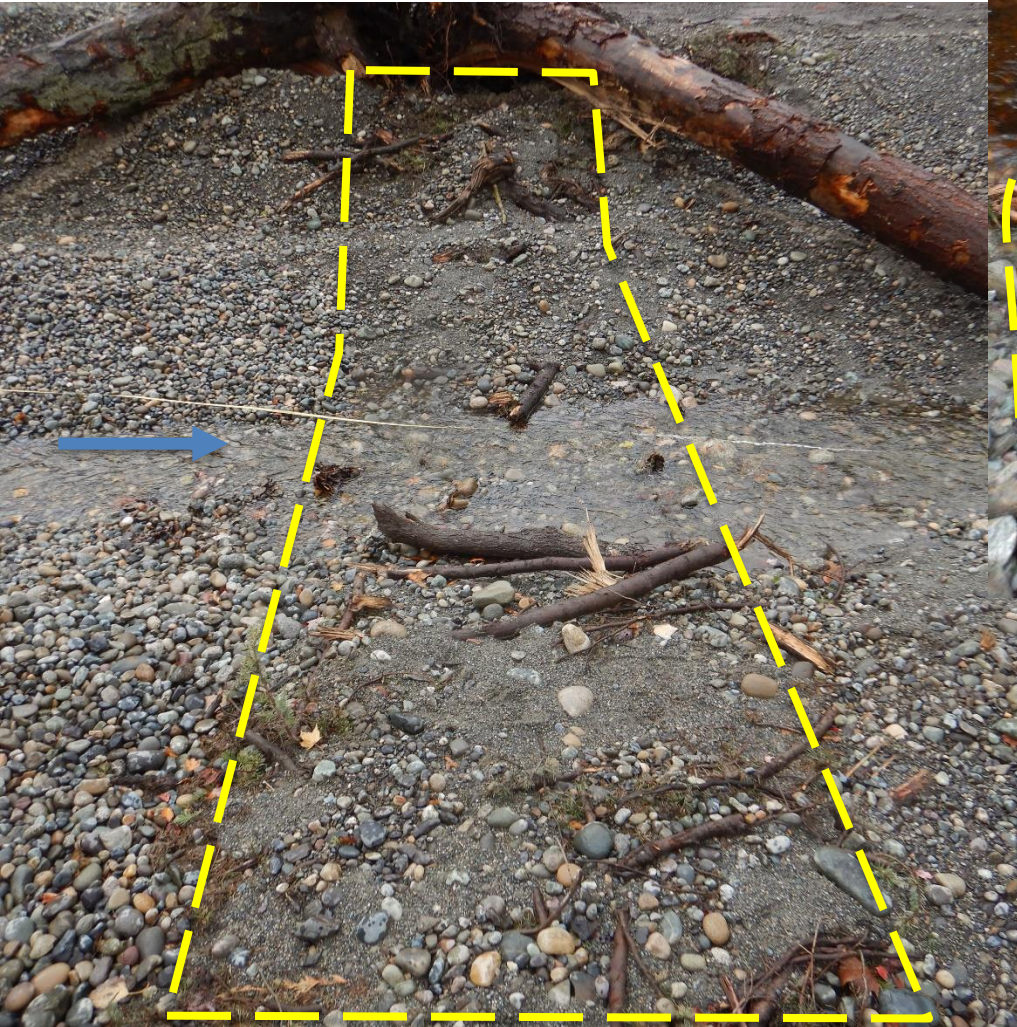
Meander Bars & Boulder Clusters



Meander
Bar

Boulder
Cluster

Deformable Grade Controls



Structure Scour

Local Scour

- Boulders
- Large Woody Material
- Deflection



Bank Stabilization

- Transition
 - Margins
 - Plant establishment
 - Coir mats/wraps
 - Willow plantings
 - Staking



Large Woody Material

Onsite Evaluation Meeting

An onsite evaluation meeting shall be held at least held at least 3 working days prior to the reintroduction of flows into the new channel or removal of the temporary stream diversion, whichever occurs first.

Those attending shall include:

1. Contractor: The superintendent, on site supervisor, foreman, the Environmental Compliance Lead and any other personnel that will have on-site responsibility for in-channel streambed Work.
1. WSDOT: The WSDOT Engineer, key inspection personnel, Region Environmental, Headquarters Hydraulics and Headquarters Environmental Service Office (Fish Passage Biologist & Monitoring Program Lead).
1. Representatives from interested permitting agencies (WDFW) and affected Tribes shall be invited by WSDOT.

The Contractor shall provide notice to the Engineer 14 calendar days prior to this meeting taking place.

The meeting will evaluate and discuss the streambed installation and large woody material placement to ensure the streambed will performing as intended. As a result of the onsite evaluation meeting, modifications to the streambed materials, features or large woody materials may be made by the Engineer.

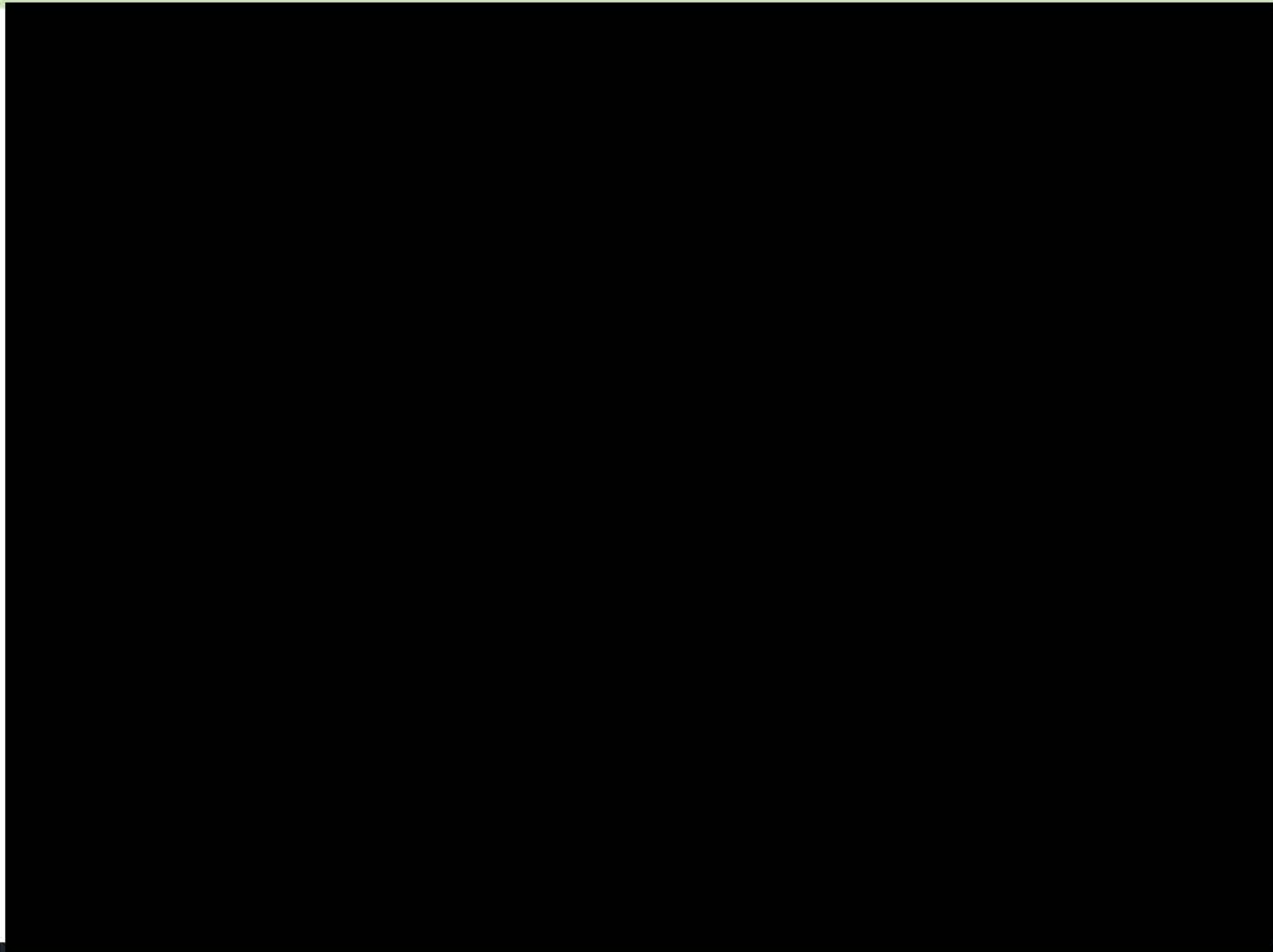
SR 20 MP 88.82 Lorenzan Creek (WDFW GR23)



GR23



SR 20 MP 87.82
Fish Creek (WDFW ID #GR9)



Additional Information



- Final Hydraulic Design Report (link in Special Provisions)
- HQ site inspection
- Just-In-Time (JIT) Training – hosted annually
- WSDOT Fish Passage Training Certification
 - [Hydraulics & hydrology training | WSDOT \(wa.gov\)](#)
- WSDOT Certified Inspector Training – March 2022
- Me nggabe@wsdot.wa.gov or gabe.ng@jacobs.com

Questions & Feedback?



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