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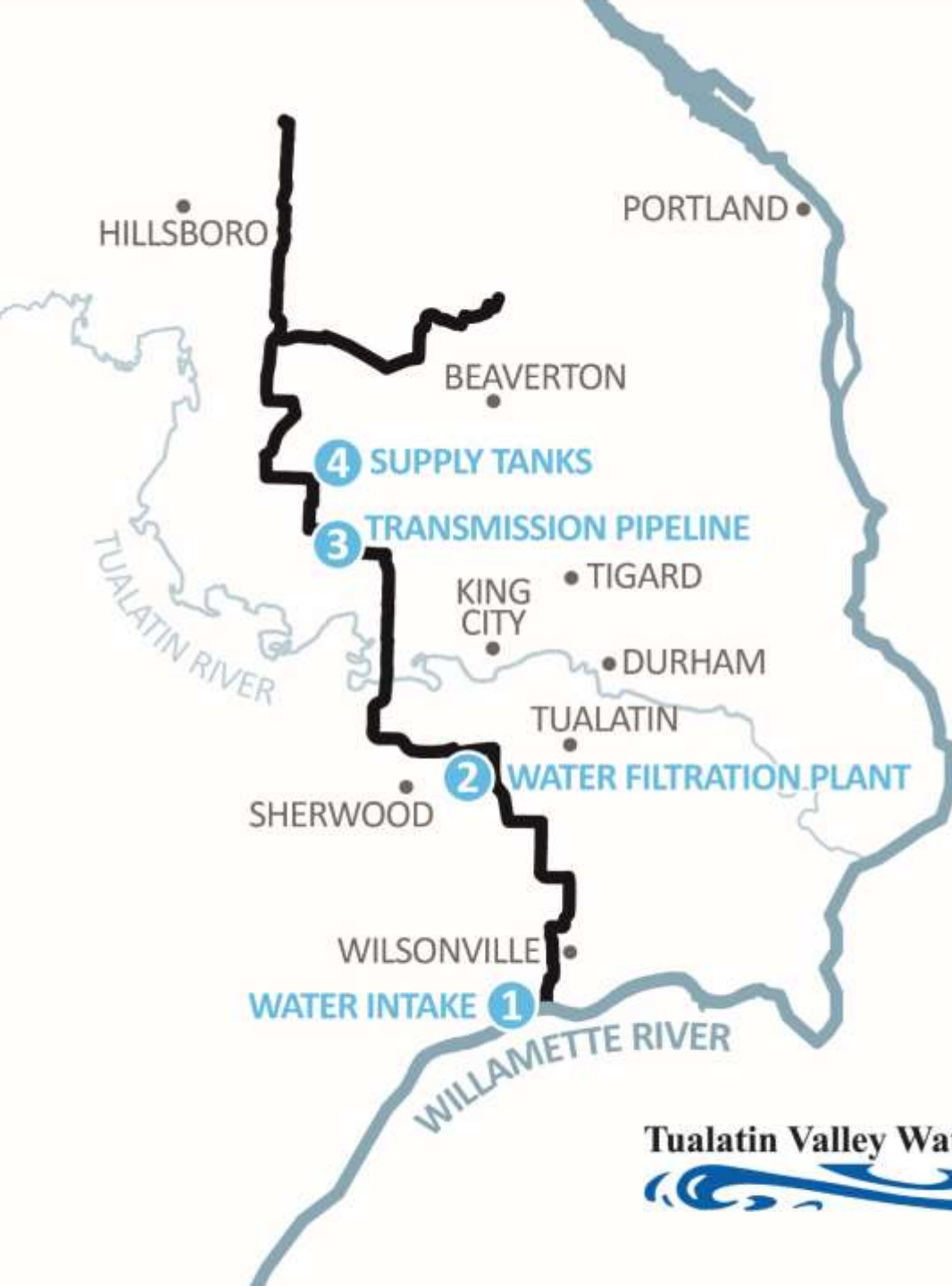
# Optimizing WWSP's Trenchless Pipeline Crossing of the Tualatin River

April 27, 2018

# Outline

- Introduction & Program Overview
- River crossing overview
- Geotechnical overview
- Tualatin River crossing details
- Tunnel method and shaft considerations
- Alternatives evaluations
- Conclusions

# Water Supply Program



- Modified water intake
- New water filtration plant
- Water reservoirs
- 30+ miles of large diameter pipeline
- Tualatin Valley Water District: 60% City of Hillsboro: 40%
- Scheduled completion: 2026

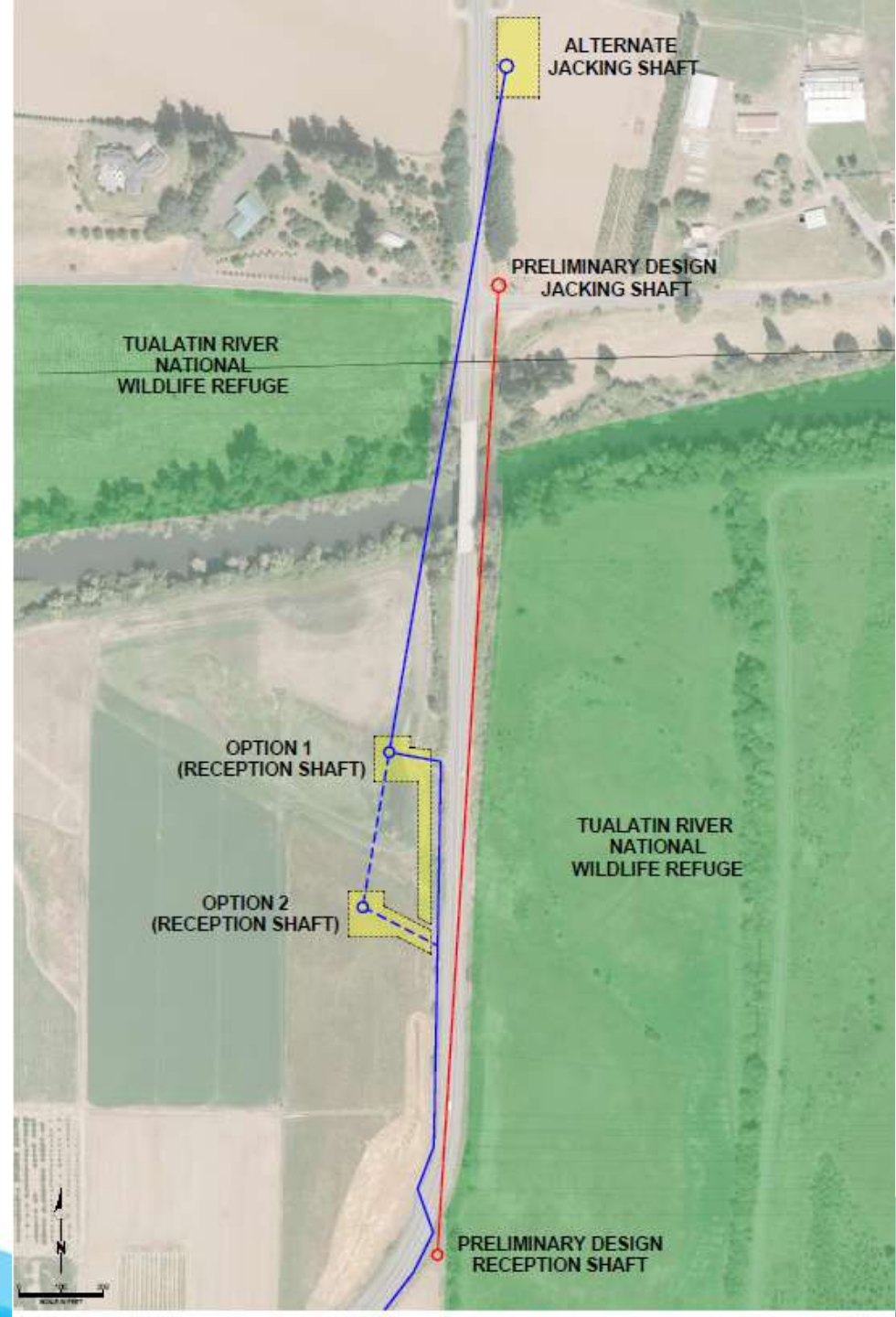
# Project location



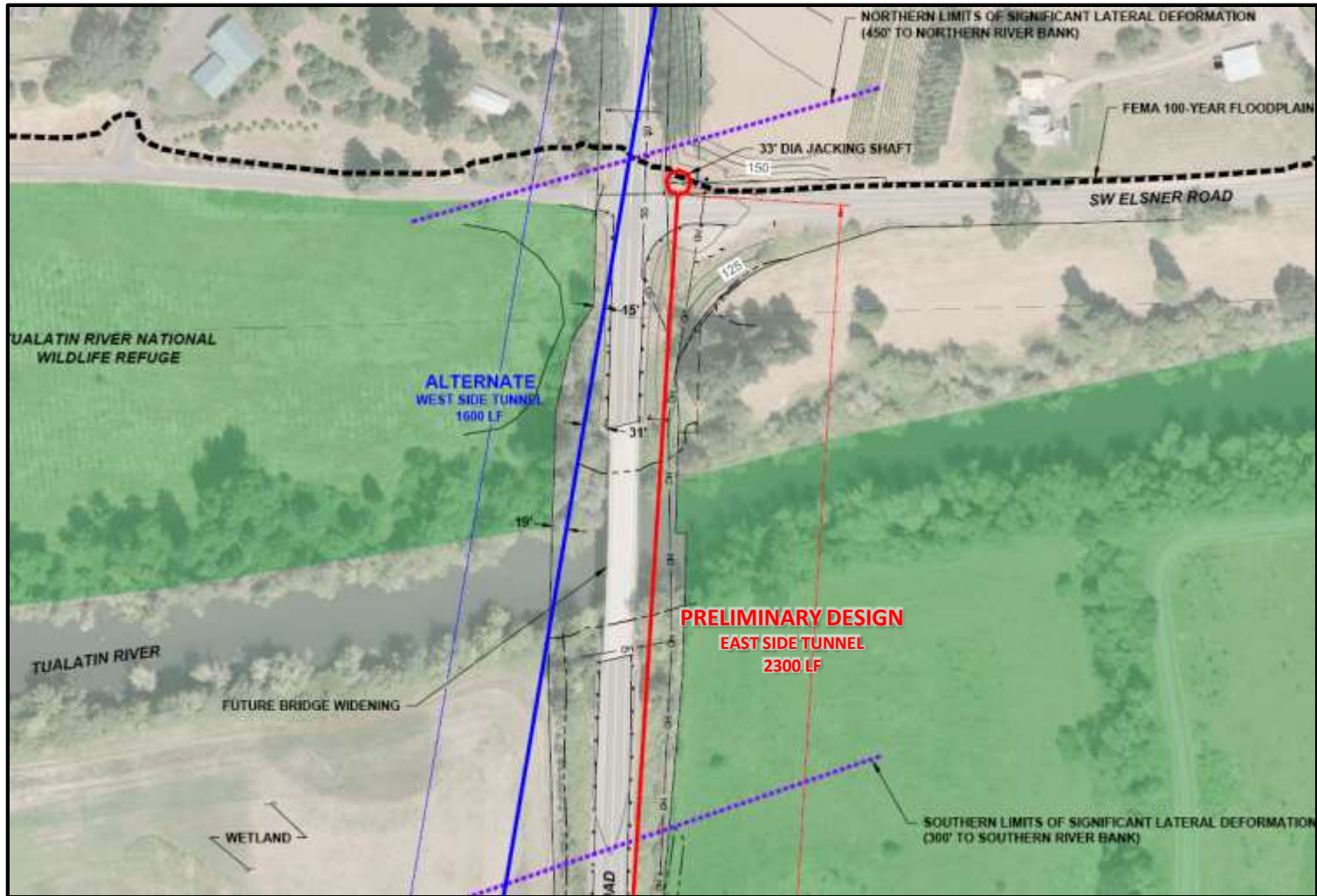
# River crossing overview

**Table 1. Tualatin River Crossing “Quick Facts”**

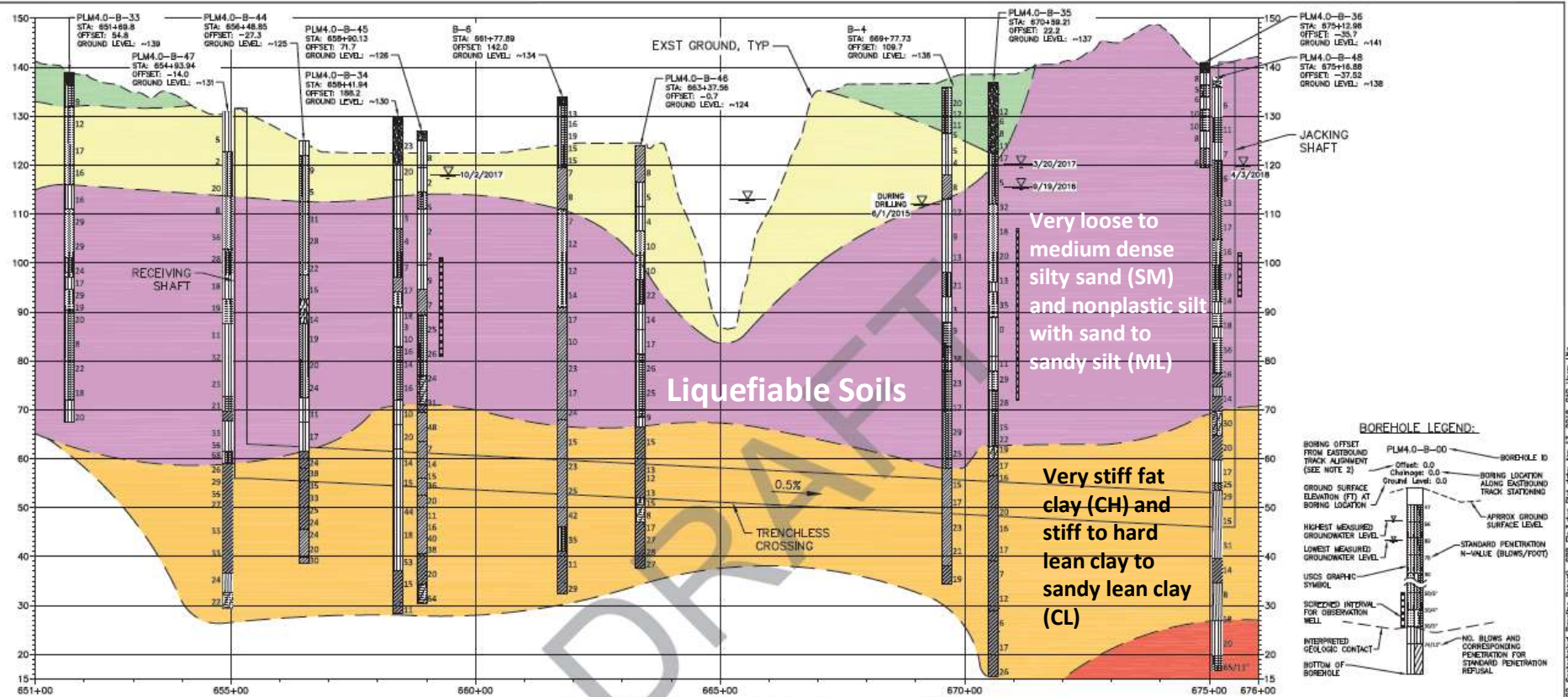
	East-side (red)	Alternate (blue)
Length	2,300 LF	1,600 LF (+350 LF for southern shaft)
Tunneling Method	Microtunnel	Microtunnel
Construction Duration	10.5-12 months	8-10 months (9.5-11 months)
Permitting	Adjacent to TRNWR	Wetlands Private property Less adjacent to TRNWR
Resiliency	Northern shaft located within zone of significant lateral deformation	High confidence
Risks	Higher risk (longer tunnel)	Lower risk (shorter tunnel)



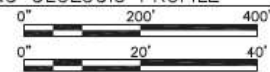
# Crossing constraints



# Geologic profile



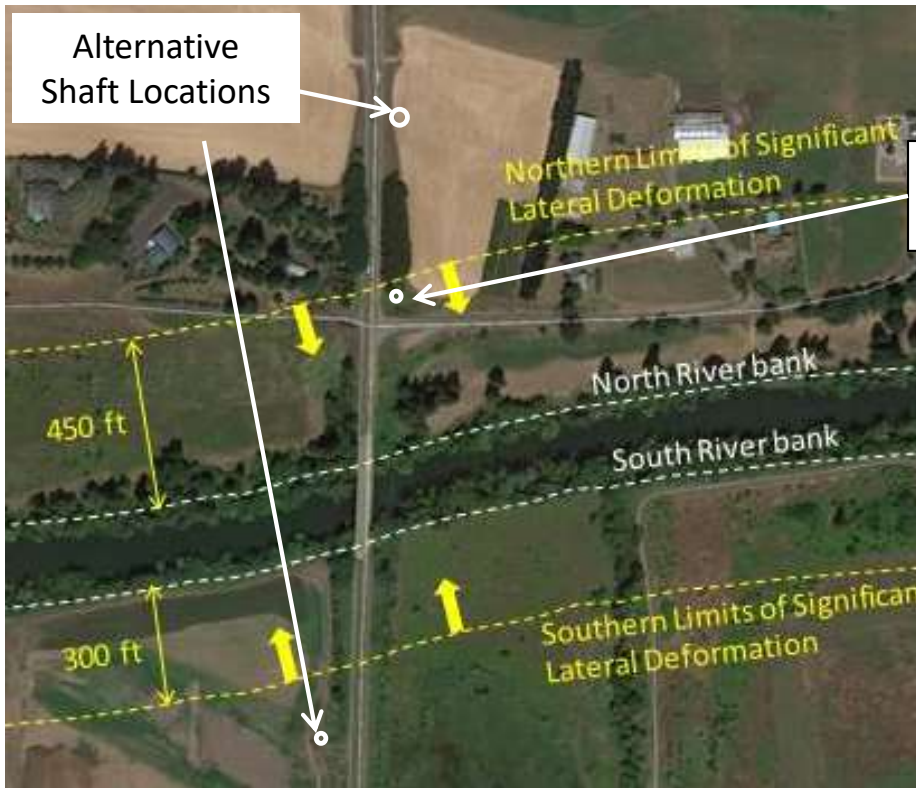
LEGEND: TUALATIN RIVER CROSSING GEOLOGIC PROFILE SCALE: 1"=200' HORIZ



- NOTES:
1. BOREHOLE LOCATIONS ARE APPROXIMATE.
  2. BOREHOLE LOCATIONS PROJECTED PERPENDICULAR TO PROFILE. POSITIVE OFFSET IS EAST OF  $\phi$ , NEGATIVE OFFSET IS WEST OF  $\phi$ .
  3. REFER TO GEOTECHNICAL DATA REPORT (SHANNON AND WILSON, 2018) FOR BOREHOLE LOGS AND LABORATORY TEST DATA.
  4. DIMENSIONS AND DEPTHS OF JACKING AND RECEIVING SHAFTS ARE APPROXIMATE. FINAL SHAFT DIMENSIONS TO BE SELECTED BY THE CONTRACTOR WITHIN THE LIMITS SHOWN ON THE CONTRACT DRAWINGS.

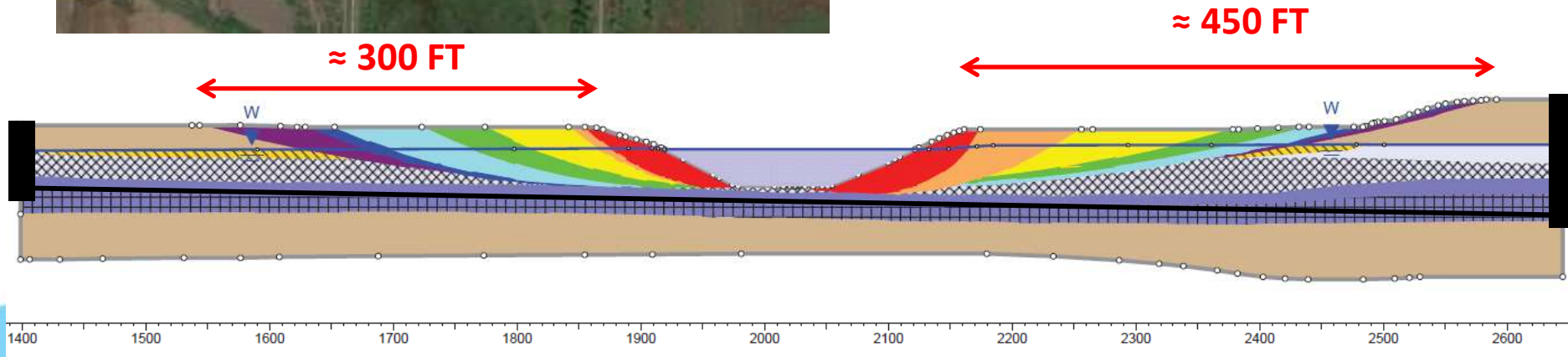
- 2 borings (pre-design)
- 4 borings and 4 CPTs (30% design)
- 3 borings (60% design)
- 1 boring (90% design)

# Seismic resiliency



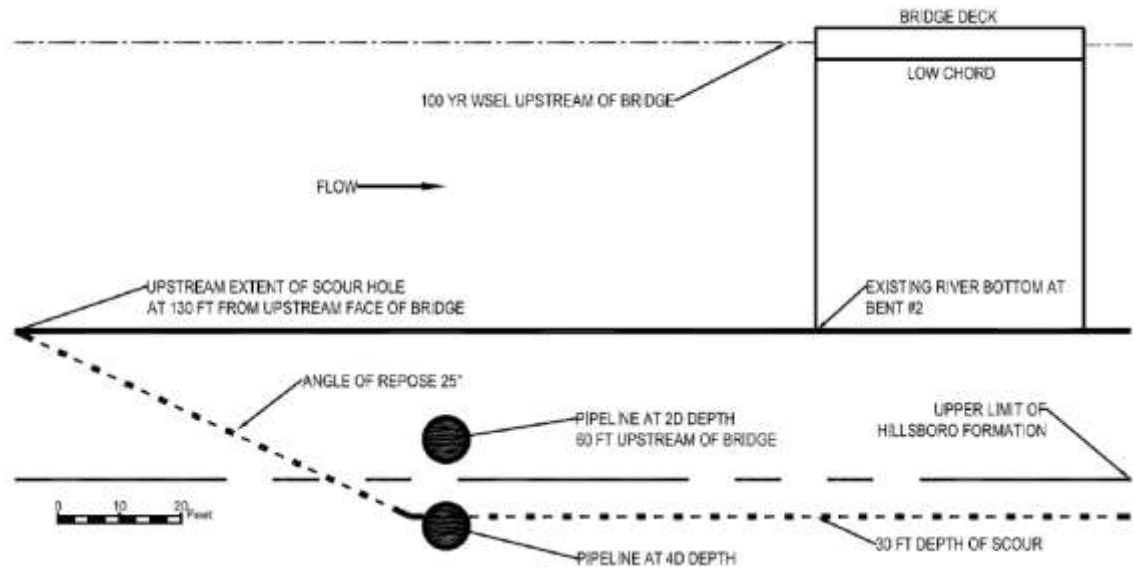
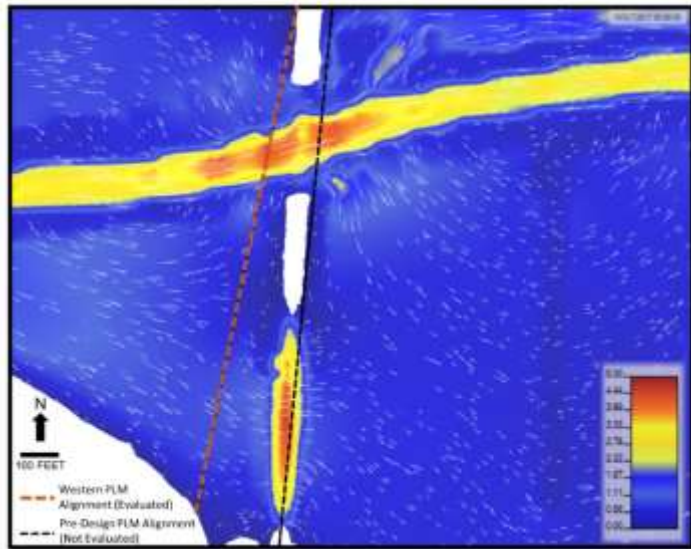
Pre-design shaft location within limits of lateral spread

Material Name	Color	Range of Lateral Spread Displacements (inches)
Flow Failure	Red	/
ky=0.02g	Orange	> 60
ky=0.03g	Yellow	24 to 60
ky=0.04g	Green	12 to 24
ky=0.05g	Light Blue	6 to 12
ky=0.06g	Dark Blue	3 to 6
ky=0.07g	Purple	1 to 3





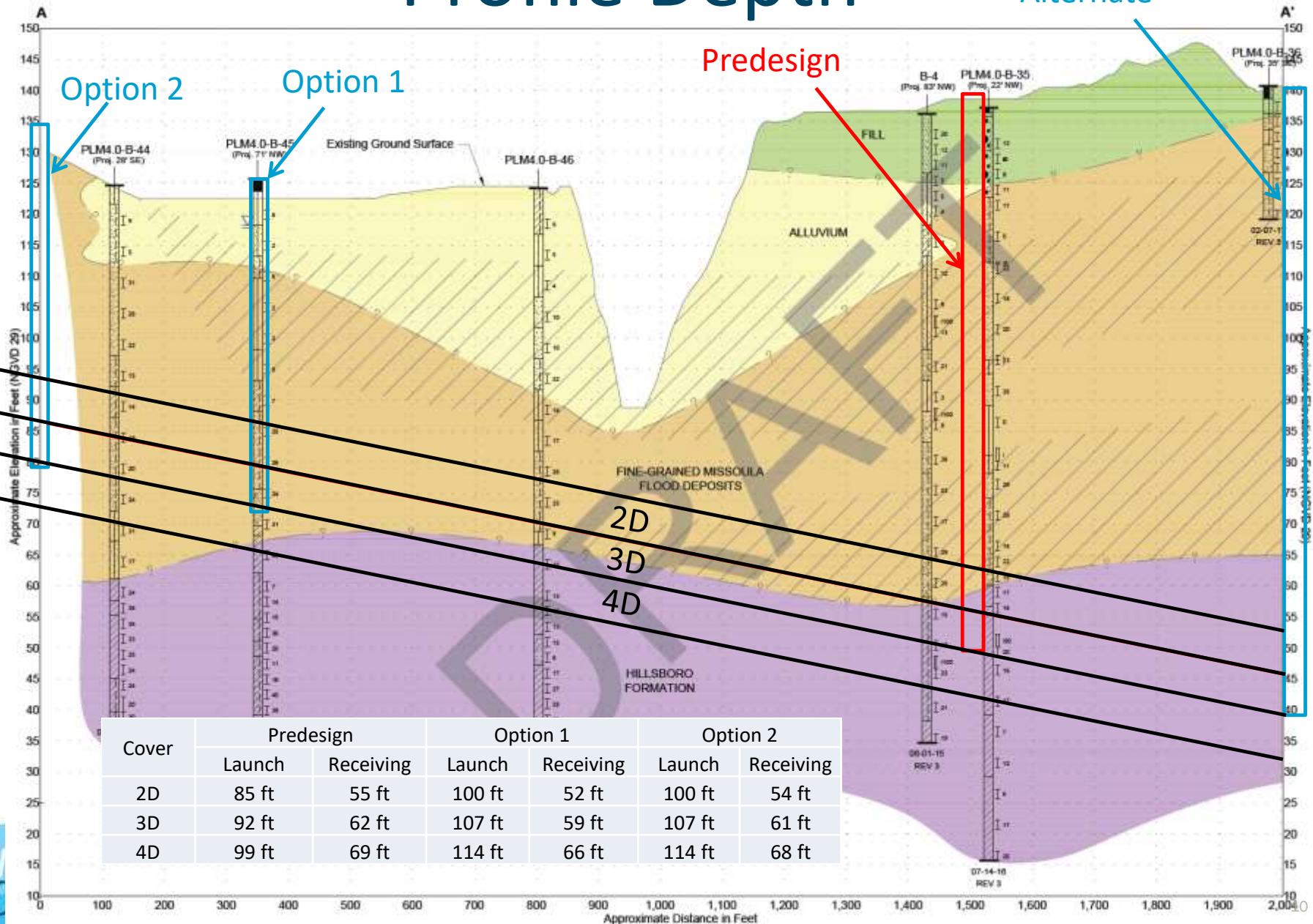
# Scour analysis



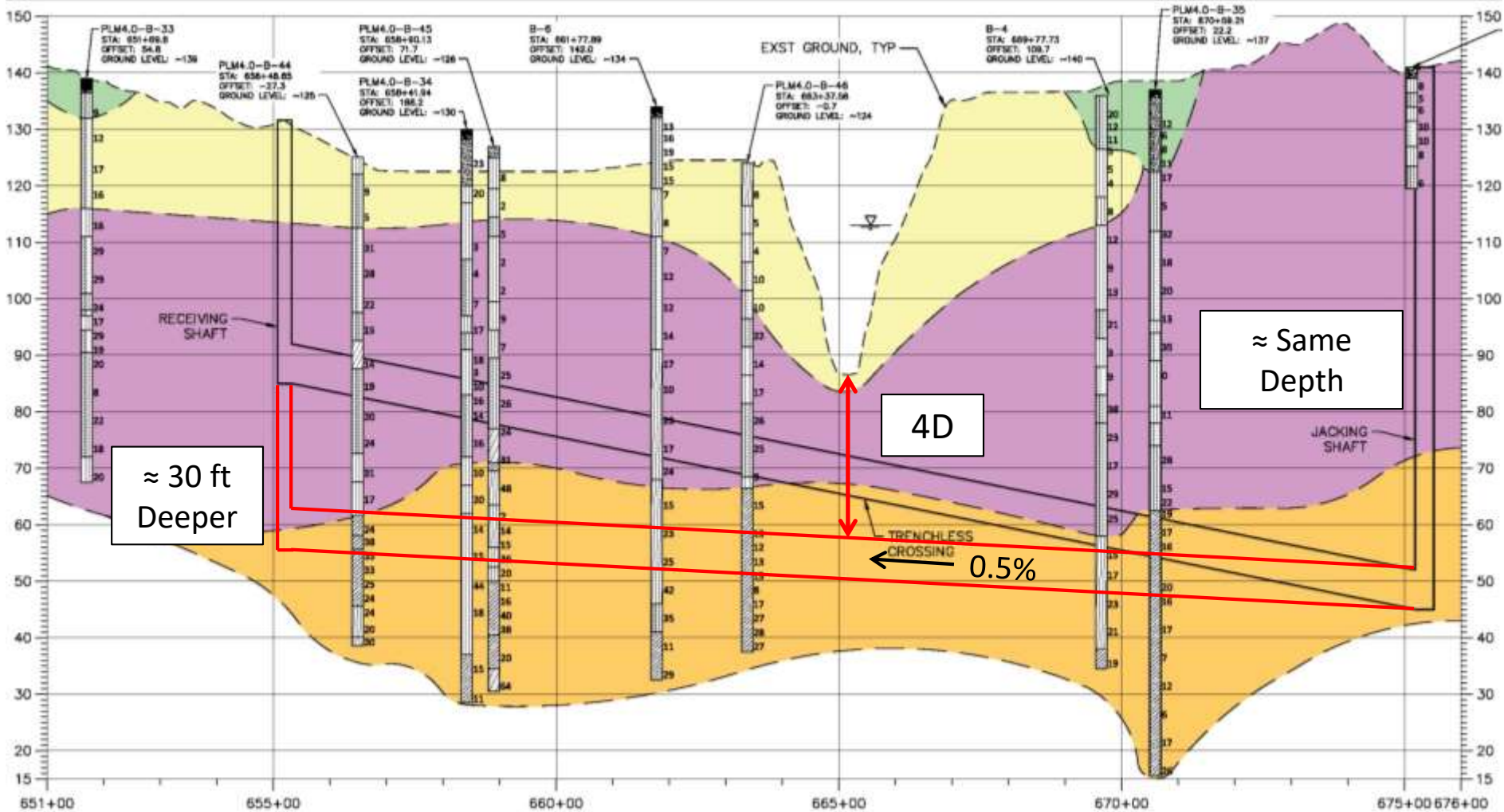
*Scour Assessment of the Proposed WWSP Pipeline Main Crossing (TVWD WWSP PLM 4.0) of Tualatin River, near Sherwood, Oregon. Cardno, March 23, 2018*

- 28 feet (4 times pipe diameter)
- Place pipe in the Hillsboro Formation
  - lower erodibility than the overlying Missoula Flood deposits

# Profile Depth



# Selected profile

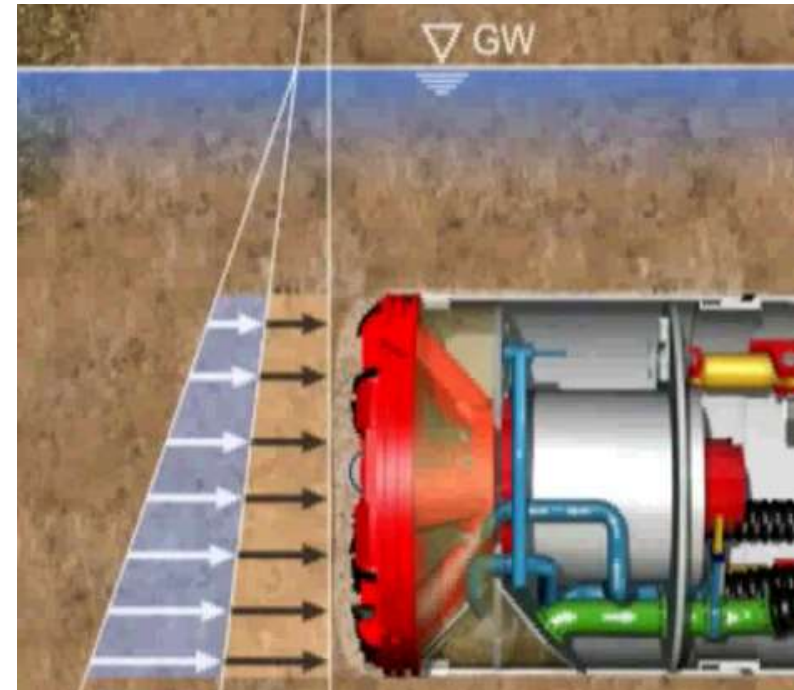


# Ground behavior

- **Firm** – Advance heading several feet without support. Includes hard clays and cemented sands and gravel.
- **Raveling** – Following excavation material tends to flake off or ravel. Includes slightly cohesive sands, silts and fine gravels.
- **Running** – Cohesionless, dry soils run from unsupported face to AOR. Includes clean loose sands and gravels.
- **Flowing** – Seepage at the face in raveling or running ground can create flowing conditions. Includes silt, sand or gravel below the water table.
- **Squeezing** – Soils advance into the tunnel in plastic flow. Function of soil strength vs. overburden. Soft to stiff clays.
- **Swelling** – Where ground absorbs water and swells into opening. Includes highly over-consolidated clays.

# Tunnel construction method

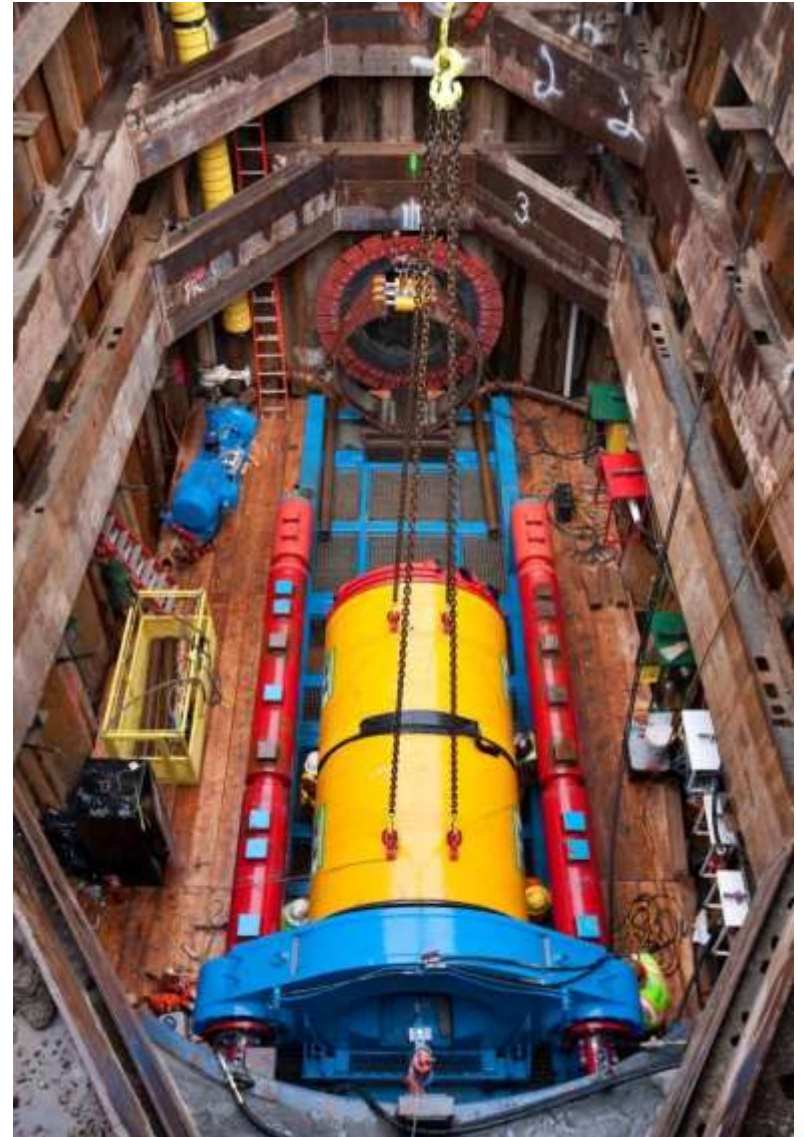
- Microtunneling methods
  - Regionally proven
  - Most ground types
  - Below water table
  - Continuous face support
  - Steerable
  - Remotely operated
  - Long distances



Project	Pipe Size	Drive Lengths (feet)	Project Highlights
Portsmouth Force Main	81-inch ID Steel	1,900	Record for the longest U.S. drive using a jacked steel casing
Balch Consolidation Conduit	84-inch ID RCP	1595, 1,670	Longest microtunneling drive in gravel. ACEC Grand Project Award 2011
ESCSO	84-inch ID RCP	3,055	Longest microtunneling drive in North America
Tanner Creek	72-inch ID RCP	1,000	First use of slurry microtunneling in Portland

# Microtunneling systems

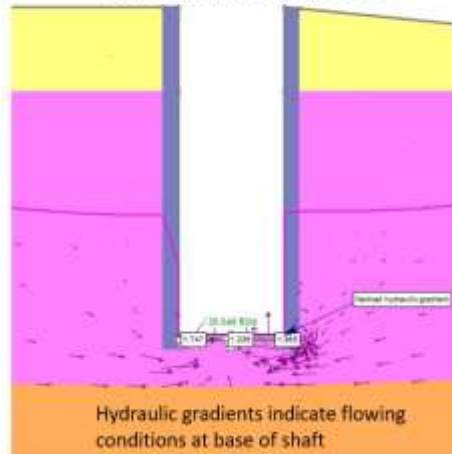
1. Microtunneling machine
2. Propulsion system
3. Spoil removal system
4. Guidance and control system
5. Pipe lubrication system



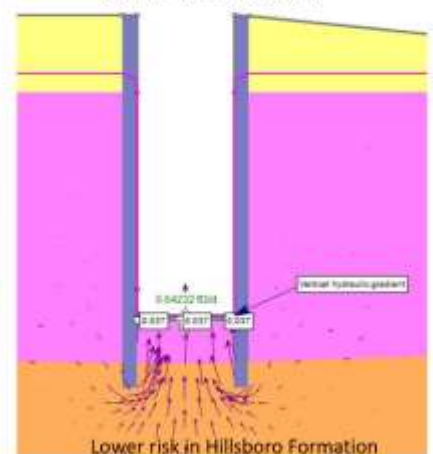
# Shaft stability



Shaft Base Keyed into Missoula Flood Deposits



Shaft Base Keyed into Hillsboro Formation



# Shaft design considerations



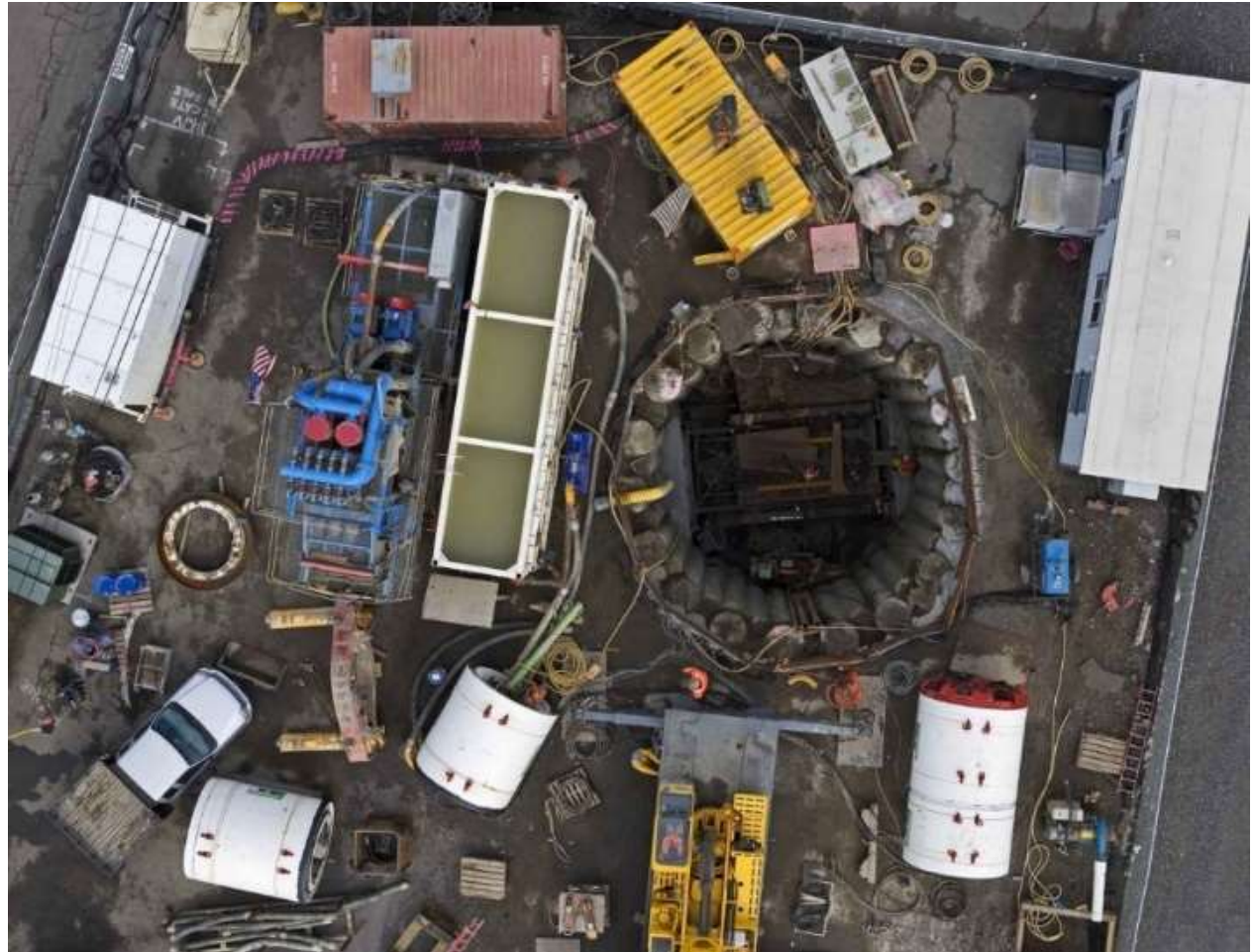
Water tight



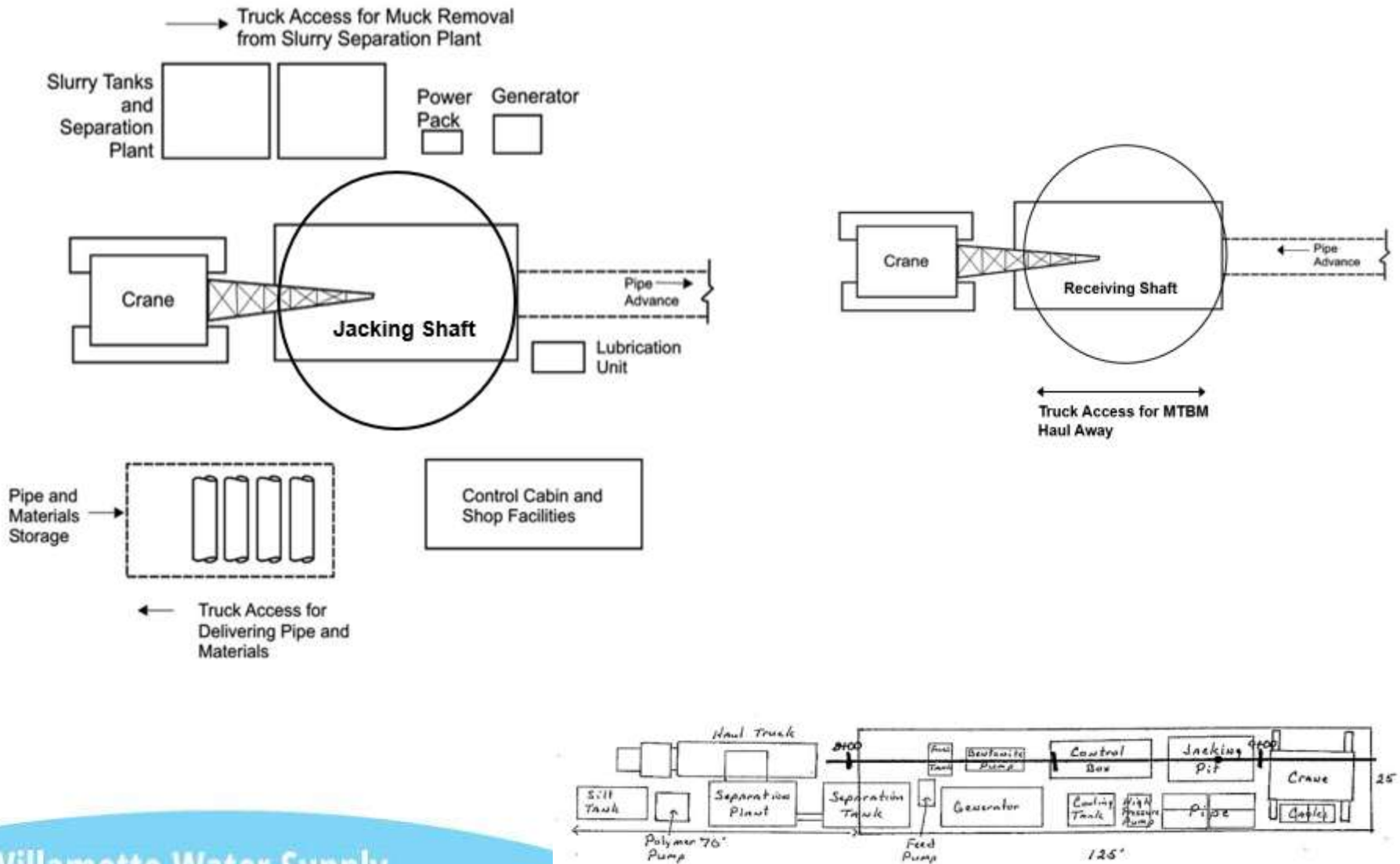


# Shaft site staging

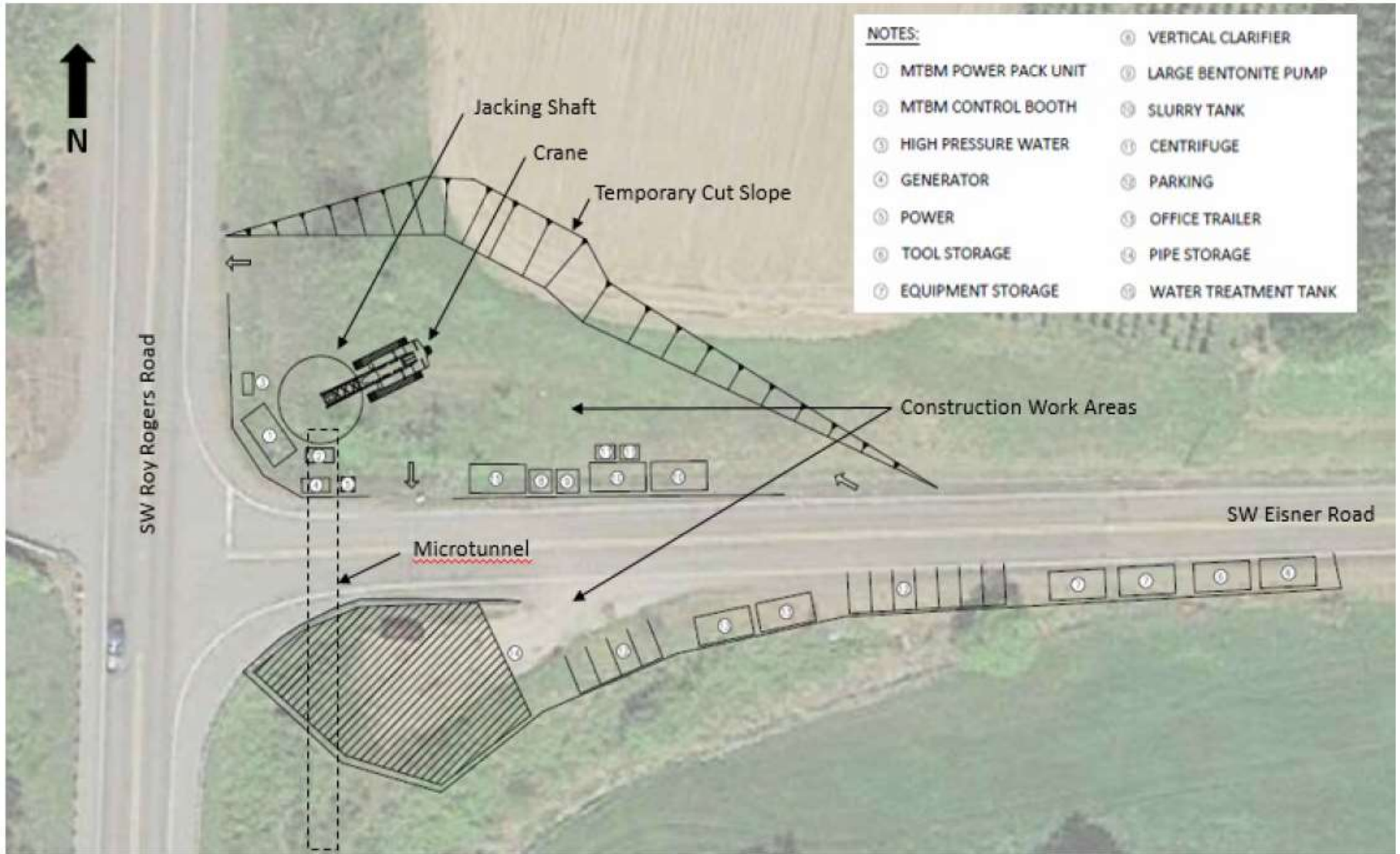
- Slurry tanks and separation plant
- Crane
- Control cabin
- Generator
- Power pack
- Pipe storage
- Truck access



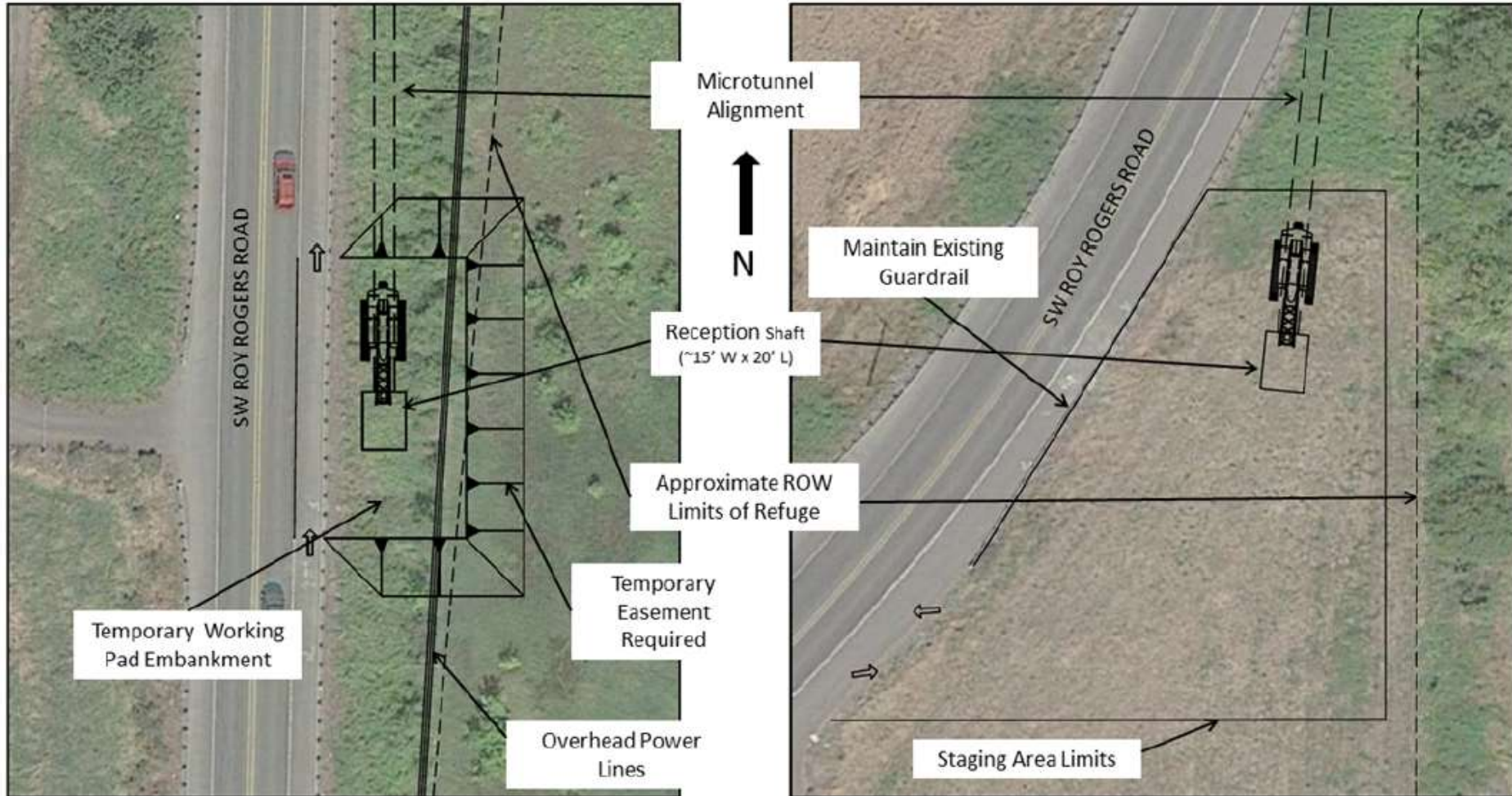
# General shaft site layout



# East-side jacking shaft



# East-side receiving shaft

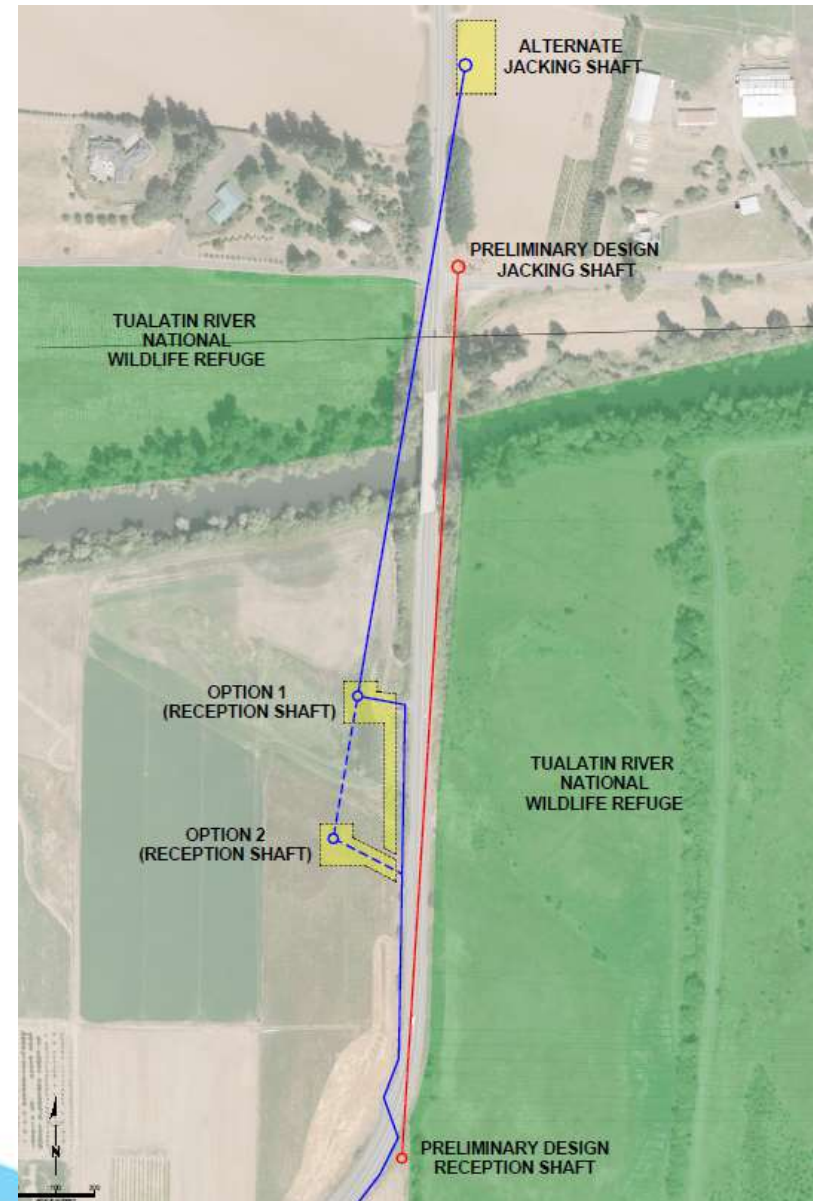


Possible intermediate receiving shaft adjacent to Refuge

Full-drive receiving shaft adjacent to Refuge (2,300 LF)

# Alternate alignment (west side)

- Shafts located outside of limits of lateral spread
- Shorter drive length
- No staging or construction within refuge
- Avoids power lines
- Reduces traffic impacts

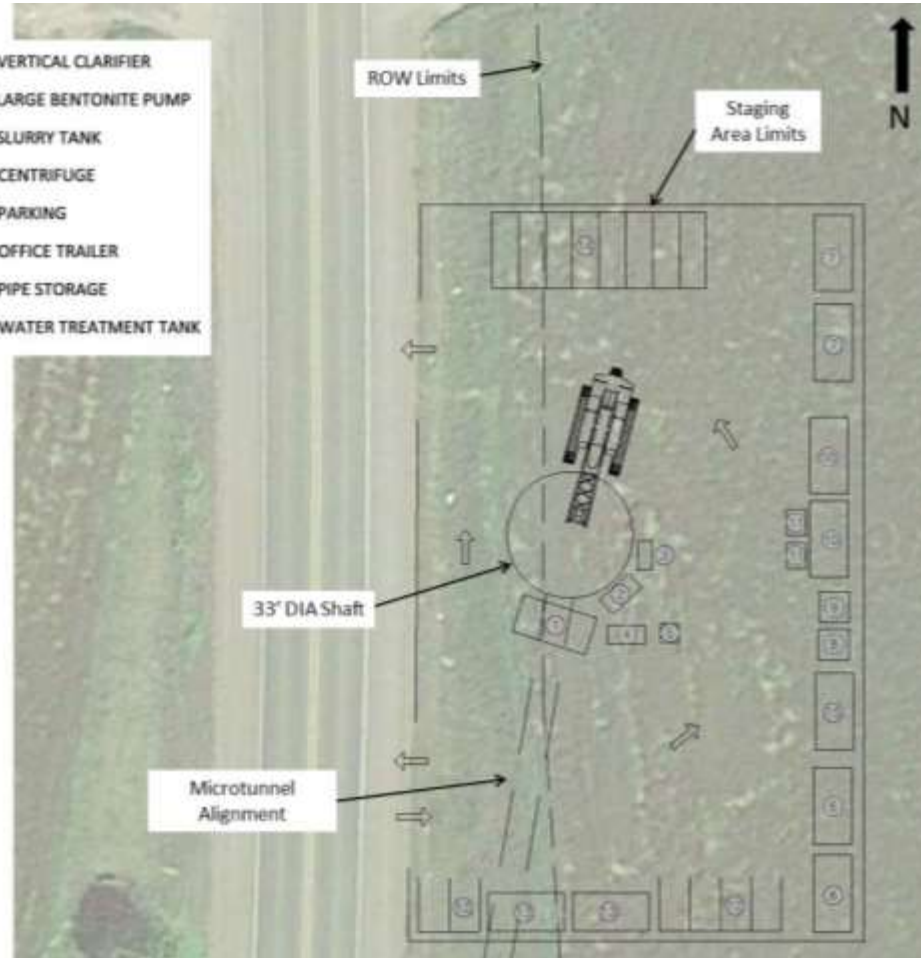


# Alternate (west side) – jacking shaft

**NOTES:**

- ① MTBM POWER PACK UNIT
- ② MTBM CONTROL BOOTH
- ③ HIGH PRESSURE WATER
- ④ GENERATOR
- ⑤ POWER
- ⑥ TOOL STORAGE
- ⑦ EQUIPMENT STORAGE

- ⑧ VERTICAL CLARIFIER
- ⑨ LARGE BENTONITE PUMP
- ⑩ SLURRY TANK
- ⑪ CENTRIFUGE
- ⑫ PARKING
- ⑬ OFFICE TRAILER
- ⑭ PIPE STORAGE
- ⑮ WATER TREATMENT TANK



# Evaluation criteria

- Social/community impacts
- Opportunities/benefits
- Environmental/permitting/land use
- System compatibility
- System resiliency
- Constructability
- O&M
- Cost

# Real estate

## East-side:

- Highest risk
- Microtunnel rescue shaft could require a temporary easement from the Tualatin River Wildlife Refuge (2-6 month process)

## Alternate (west side):

- **Preferred alignment** (from real estate perspective)
- Least impact to future development (Option 1)
- Easement acquisition within the floodplain (Option 1)
- Impact to farmable land (Option 1 and 2)
- Easement acquisition outside of the floodplain (Option 2)



# Environmental understanding

**Table 2. Environmental Alignment Comparison**

Criteria	East-side	Alternate (west side)
Natural Resources	No important natural resources Rescue (if needed) within the Refuge	100-year floodplain (Option 1) Farmable Wetland (Option 1)
Cultural Resources	High sensitivity for resources; additional archaeological work required	Moderate level; additional archaeological work required
Land Use	Outside floodplain No SNRA issues EFU requires Type II, but County recommends Type III due to complexity	SNRA south of TR will require land use review EFU requires Type II, but County recommends Type III due to complexity
Hazardous Materials	No known issues	No known issues

EFU: Exclusive Farm Use  
SNRA: Significant Natural Resource Area  
TR: Tualatin River

# Cost comparison

**Table 3. Tualatin River Crossing Cost Evaluation**

<b>Cost Item</b>	<b>East-side</b>	<b>Alternate (west side)</b>
<b>Microtunnel</b>	<b>\$ 6.9 M</b>	<b>\$ 4.8 - \$ 5.9 M</b>
<b>Shafts</b>	<b>\$ 2.6 M</b>	<b>\$ 2.3 - \$ 2.4 M</b>
<b>Open-cut*</b>	<b>\$ 0.6 M</b>	<b>\$ 1.6 - 1.1 M</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 10.1 M</b>	<b>\$ 8.7 - \$ 9.4 M</b>

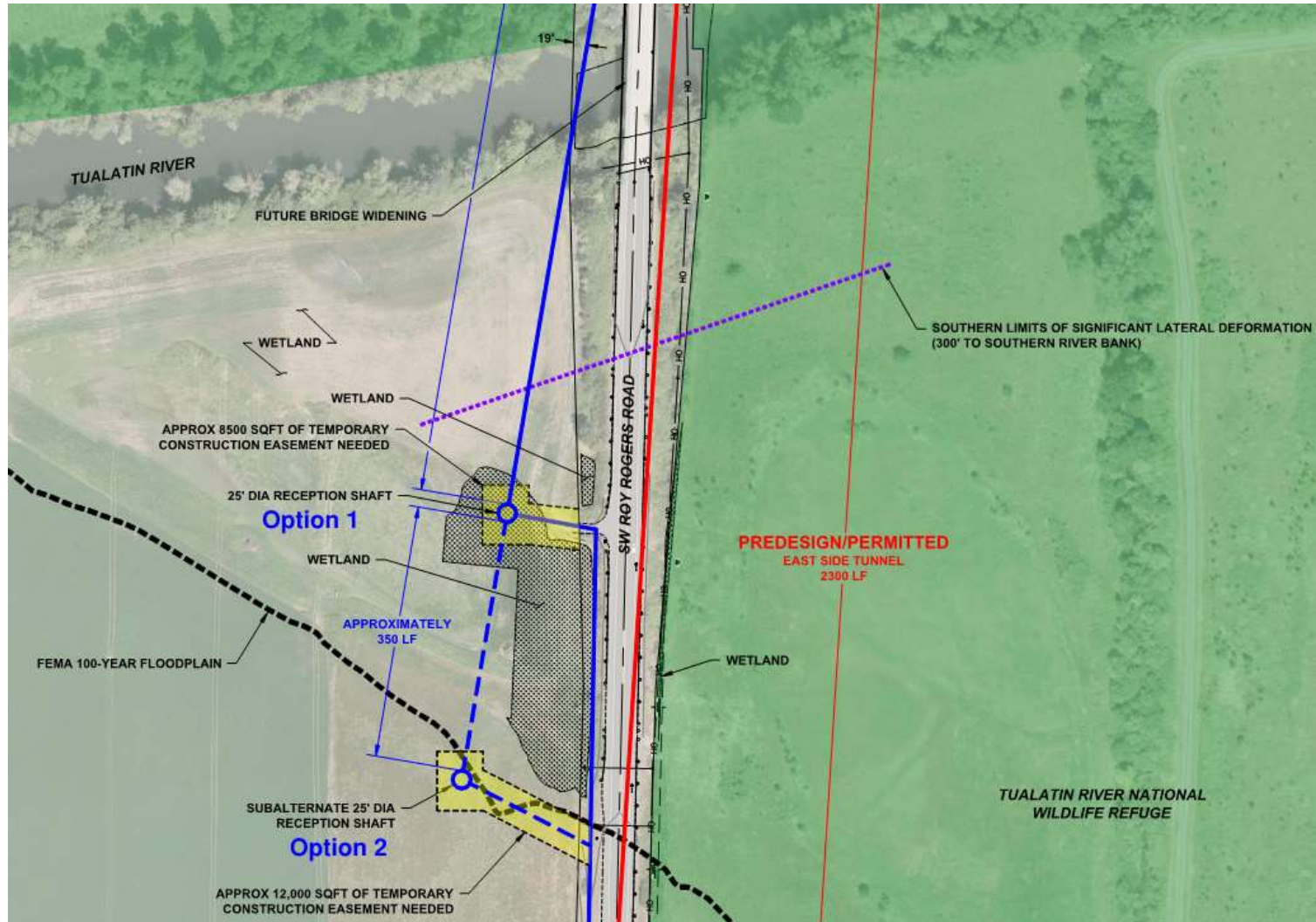
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# Alternative evaluation – east vs. west

**Table 4. Tualatin River Crossing Alternatives Evaluation**

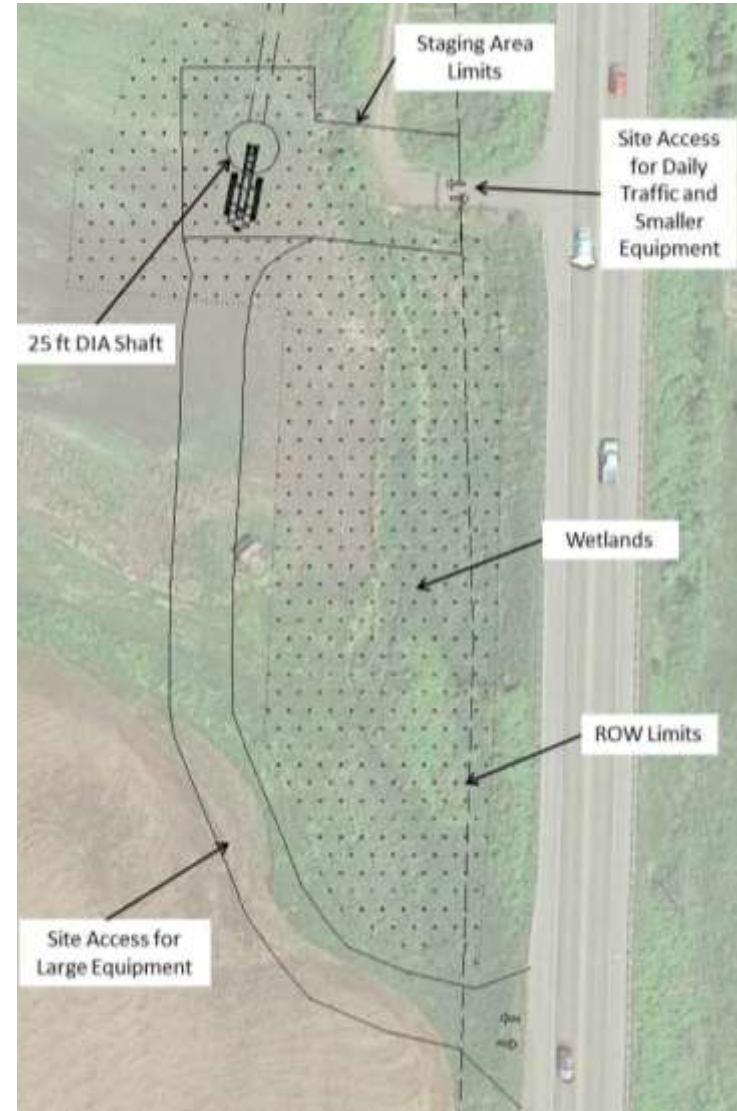
Criteria	East-side (red)		Alternate (blue)	
Environmental / permitting	0	Adjacent to TRNWR Private property	–	Wetland Private property Much shorter length adjacent to TRNWR with lower risk
System resiliency	–	Northern shaft located within zone of significant lateral deformation	0	High confidence
Constructability	–	High risk (longer tunnel)	0	Moderate risk (shorter tunnel)
O&M	–	Jacking shaft within lateral deformation zone (access)	0	Shafts outside of lateral deformation zone (access)
Cost	N/A	\$10.1 M	N/A	\$8.7 M (Option 1) \$9.4 M (Option 2)

# Alternate (west side) – Option 1 vs. 2



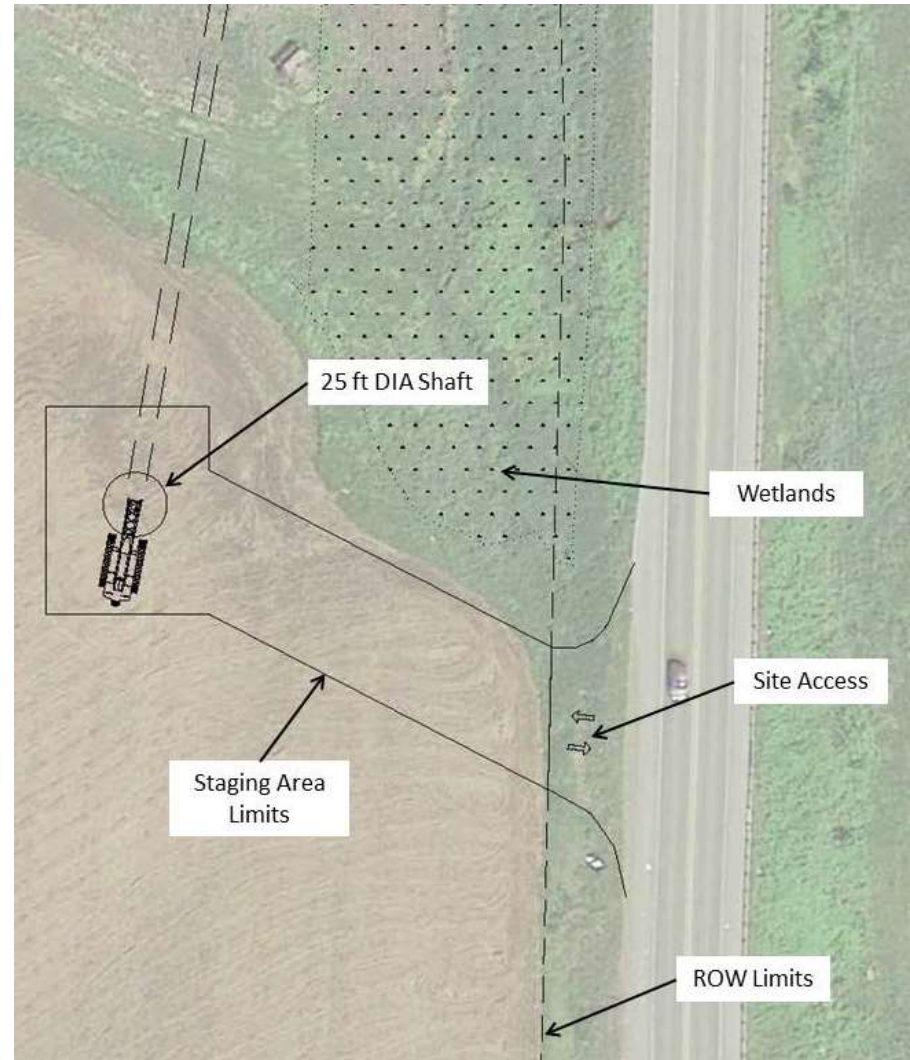
# Receiving shaft (Option 1)

- Staging area and access located within wetlands
- Additional access required for large equipment due to steep slope of existing access
- Shaft within 100 year flood plain



# Receiving shaft (Option 2)

- Avoids wetlands
- Shaft outside of 100 year flood plain
- Increased tunnel length



# Real estate

## Option 1:

- Preferred alignment (from real estate perspective)
- Least impact to future development
- Easement acquisition within the floodplain
- Impact to farmable land

## Option 2:

- Easement acquisition outside the floodplain
- Greater impact to farmable land than Option 1
- Larger easement footprint likely required

# Environmental understanding

**Table 6. Environmental Alignment Comparison**

Criteria	Alternate (Option 1)	Alternate (Option 2)
Natural Resources	Farmed wetland at reception shaft Within the 100-year floodplain Requires revisions to Enviro Permits	No important natural resources Outside 100-year floodplain
Cultural Resources	Moderate risk; additional archaeological work required	Moderate risk; additional archaeological work required
Land Use	SNRA south of TR will require land use review Floodplain construction requires permitting EFU requires Type II, but County recommends Type III due to complexity	SNRA south of TR will require land use review EFU requires Type II, but County recommends Type III due to complexity
Hazardous Materials	No known issues	No known issues



# Schedule Comparison

## Option 1

Activity	DRY SEASON									
	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Mobilization and Site Prep	■	■								
Jacking Shaft		■	■	■	■					
Receiving Shaft Secant Pile Installation				■	■	■				
Excavate/Support Tunnel				■	■	■	■	■		
Install Welded Carrier Pipe						■	■	■	■	
Backfill Annulus							■	■	■	
Install Jacking Shaft Pipe and Backfill								■	■	
Install Receiving Shaft Pipe and Backfill								■	■	

≈ 5 Months

Receiving shaft work can be completed in the dry season

## Option 2

Activity	DRY SEASON									
	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.
Mobilization and Site Prep	■	■								
Jacking Shaft		■	■	■	■					
Receiving Shaft				■	■	■				
Excavate/Support Tunnel				■	■	■	■	■	■	
Install Welded Carrier Pipe							■	■	■	
Backfill Annulus								■	■	■
Install Jacking Shaft Pipe and Backfill									■	■
Install Receiving Shaft Pipe and Backfill									■	■

≈ 6 Months

Receiving shaft work cannot be completed in the dry season, however no real risk of flooding as tunnel would be complete

# Cost comparison

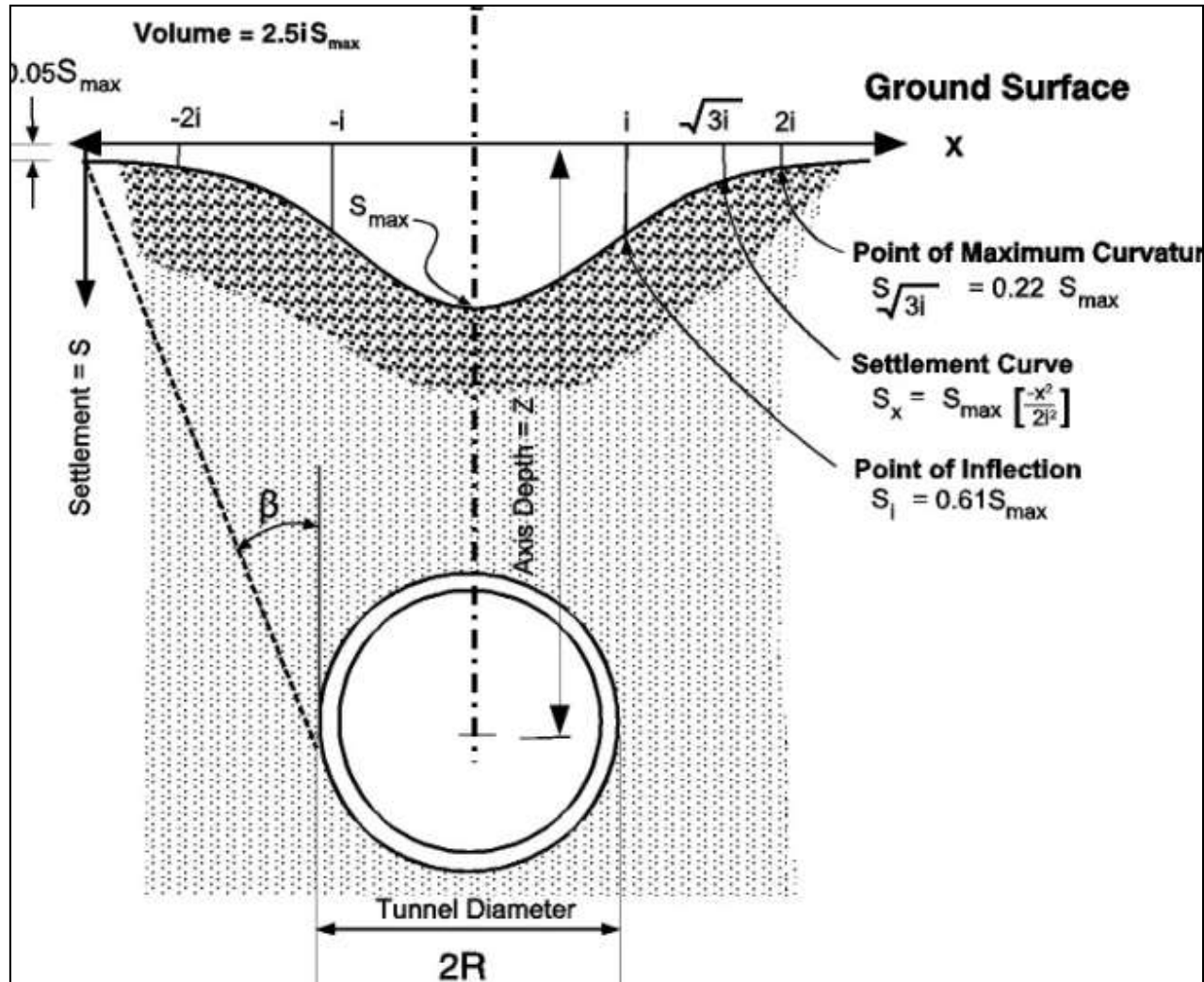
<b>Table 7. Tualatin River Crossing Cost Evaluation</b>		
<b>Cost Item</b>	<b>Alternate (Option 1)</b>	<b>Alternate (Option 2)</b>
Microtunnel	\$ 4.8 M	\$ 5.9 M
Shafts	\$ 2.3 M	\$ 2.4 M
Open-cut*	\$ 1.6 M	\$ 1.1 M
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 8.7 M</b>	<b>\$ 9.4 M</b>

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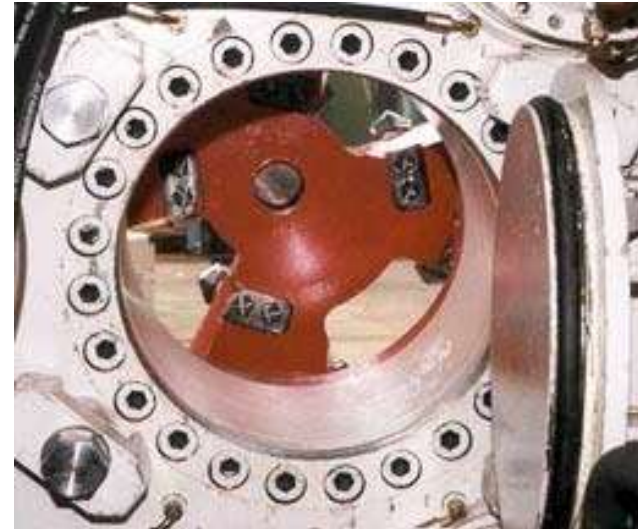
# Risk

- Settlement
- Obstructions
- Jacking forces (length)
- Grade Control

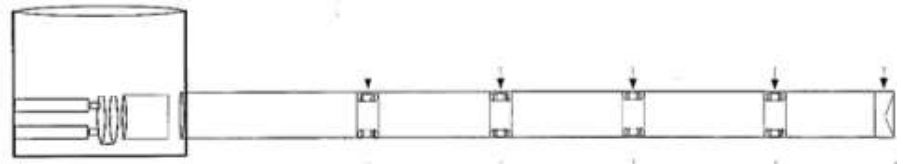
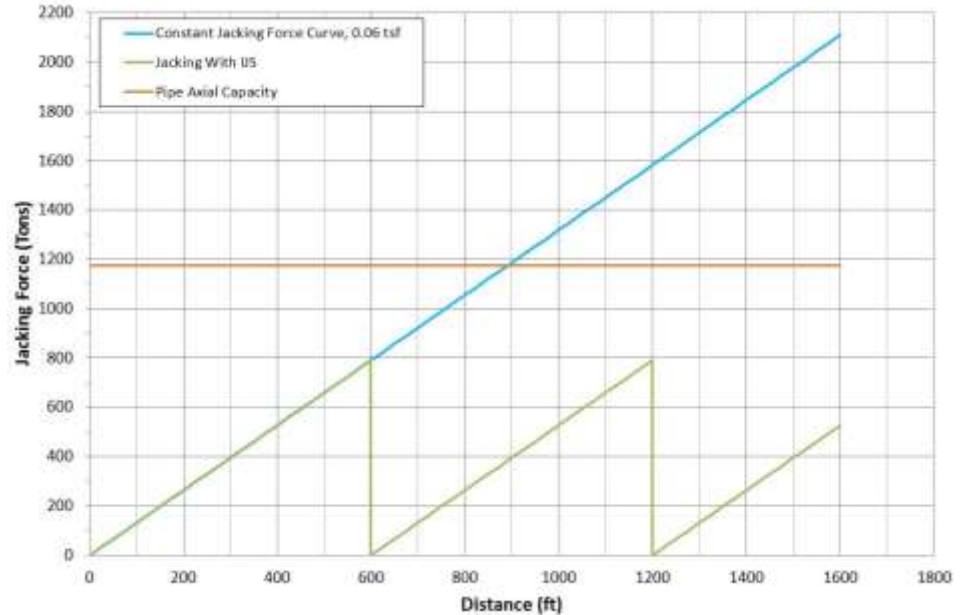
# Settlement



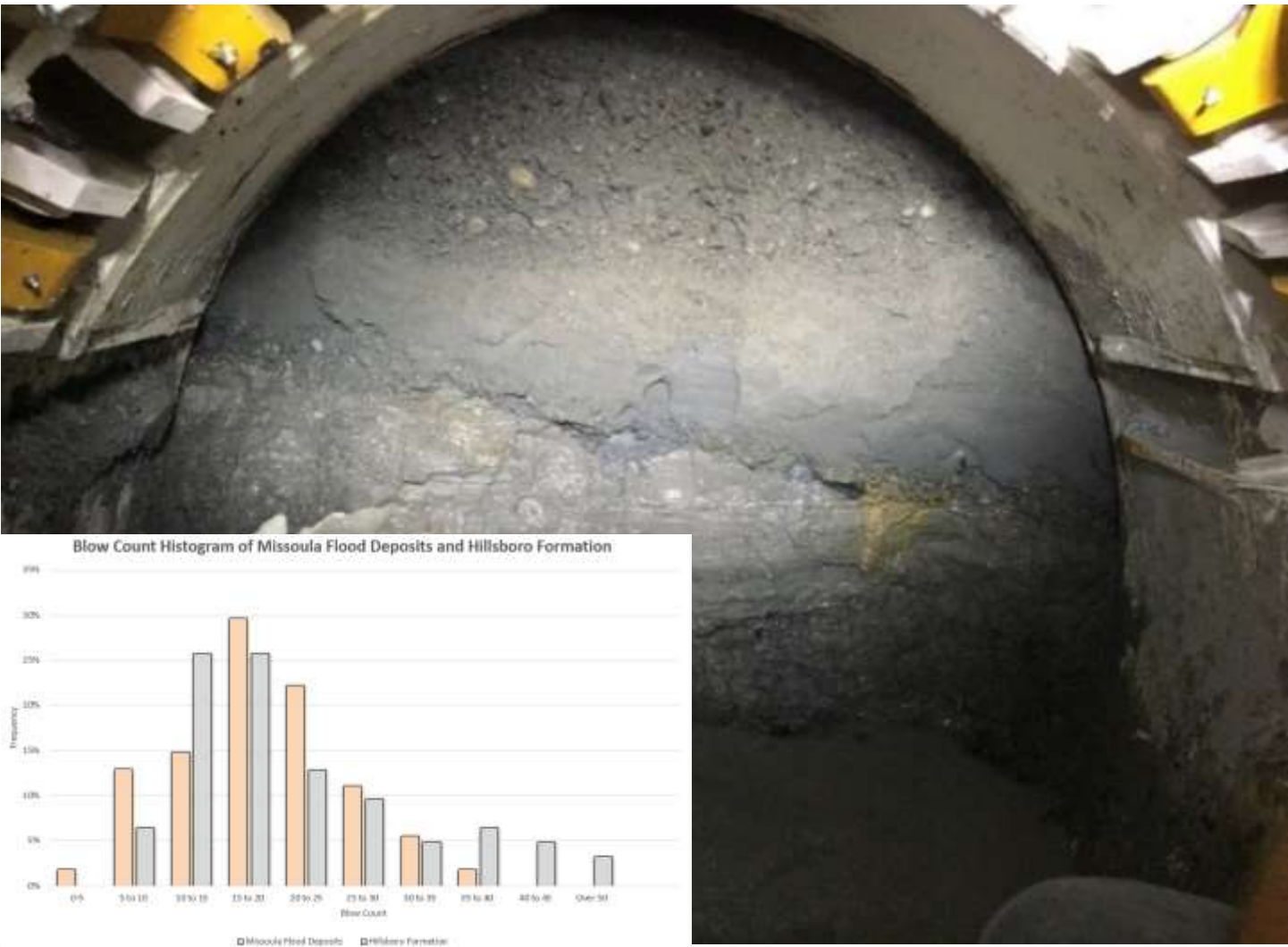
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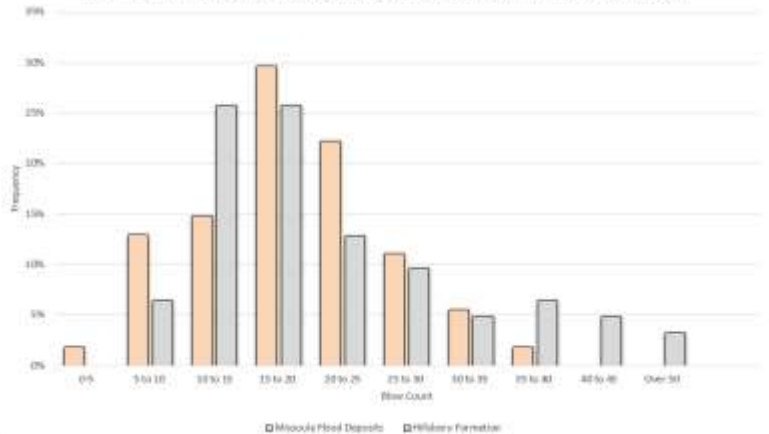
# Jacking forces



# Grade Control



Blow Count Histogram of Missoula Flood Deposits and Hillsboro Formation



# Risk Comparison

<b>Table 5. Alternate Tunnel Shaft Location Evaluation</b>		
	<b>Option 1</b>	<b>Option 2</b>
<b>Length</b>	1,600 LF	1,975 LF
<b>Obstructions</b>	Lower risk	Higher risk
<b>Jacking loads</b>	Manageable drive length	Increased loads – more IJSs needed
<b>Grade Control</b>	Low risk	Longer drive has greater potential to get off line and grade



# Alternative evaluation

**Table 8. Tualatin River Crossing Alternatives Evaluation**

Criteria	Option 1		Option 2	
Environmental / permitting	-	Within the 100-year floodplain Farmed wetland Least impact to future develop' SNRA (Type II land use)	0	Outside the 100-year floodplain No important natural resources SNRA (Type II land use)
System resiliency	0	High confidence	0	High confidence
Constructability	0	Low risk (shorter tunnel) Risk of flooding (mitigated)	-	Moderate risk (longer tunnel)
O&M	-	Shafts outside of lateral deformation zone (access) Shaft in wetland	0	Shafts outside of lateral deformation zone (access)
Cost	N/A	\$8.7 M	N/A	\$9.4 M

# Selected alignment



# Conclusions

- Incorporated constructability considerations and targeted technical analyses to inform alignment development and evaluate options.
- Selected a preferred alignment and documented rationale to support program right-of-way/easement acquisition and permitting.

# Thank you!

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