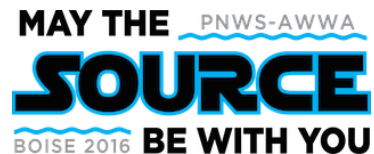




City of Everett Pipeline 5 Replacement Pilchuck River Crossing Open Trench Construction

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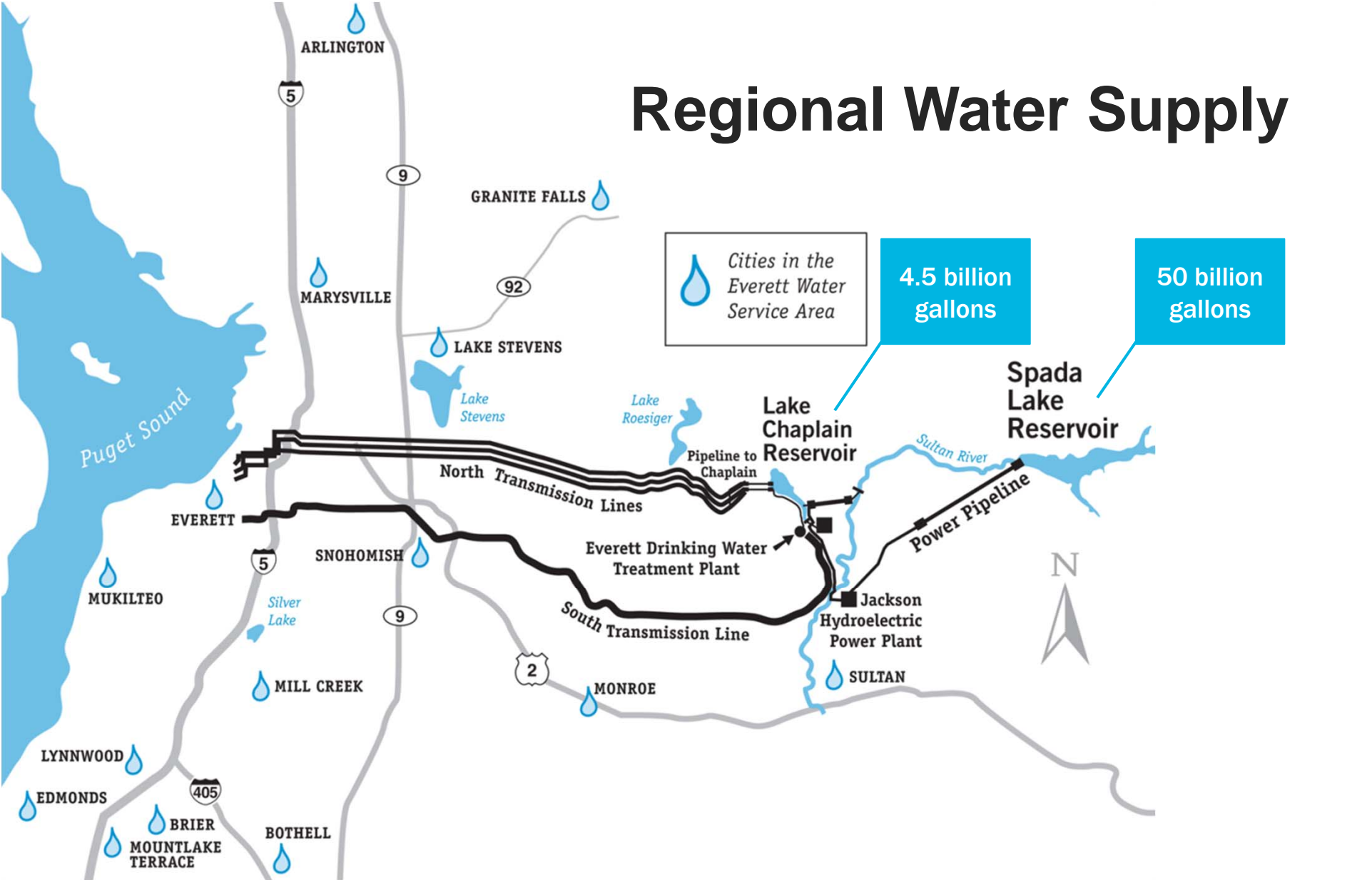
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Agenda:

1. Introduction
2. Pre-design
3. Design and Permitting
4. Construction

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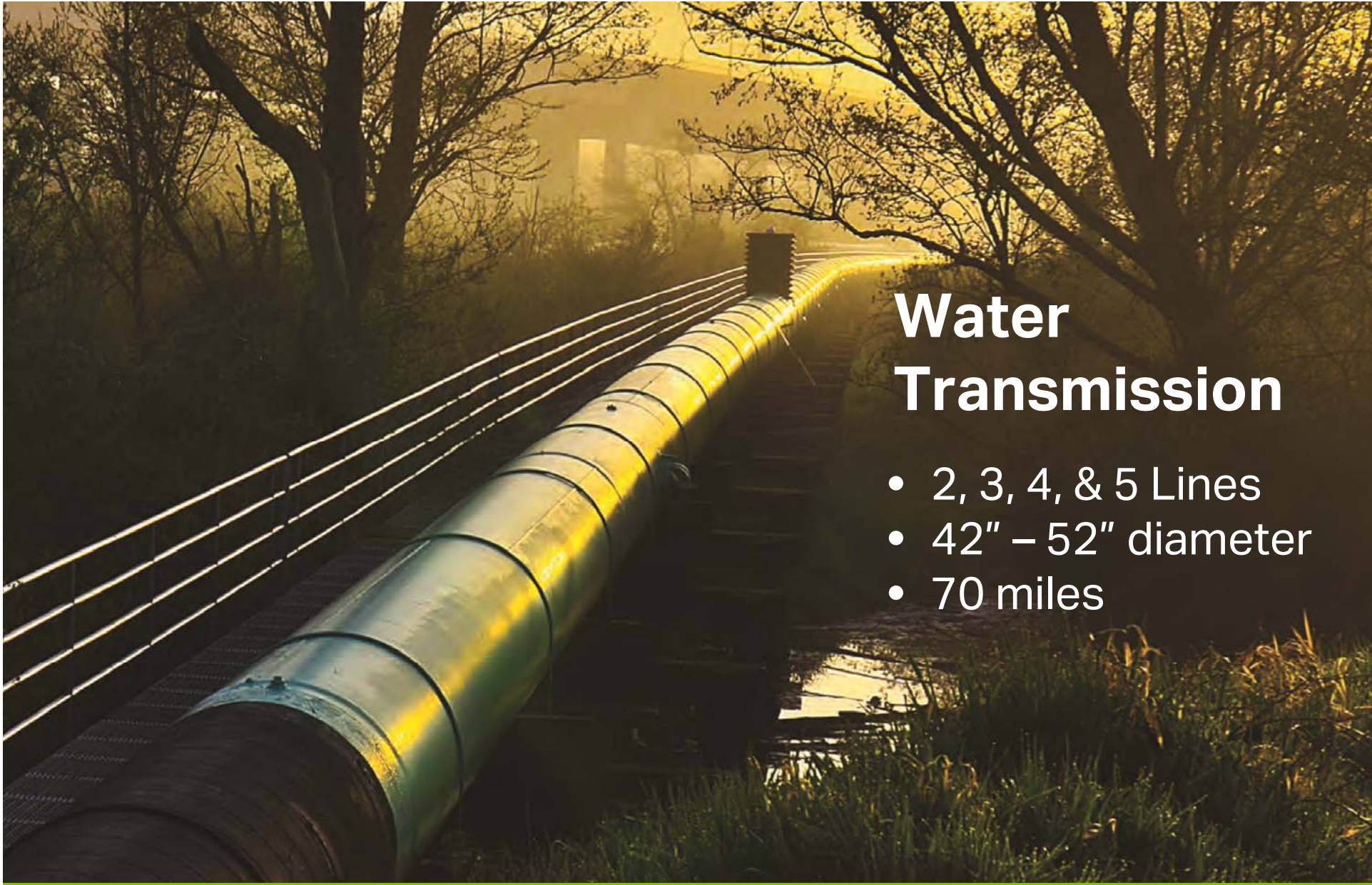
Regional Water Supply



Drinking Water System

- 96 direct wholesale customers (33 Group A & 63 Group B)
- Tulalip Tribes
- Over 27,000 connections
- Service area population ~ 600,000

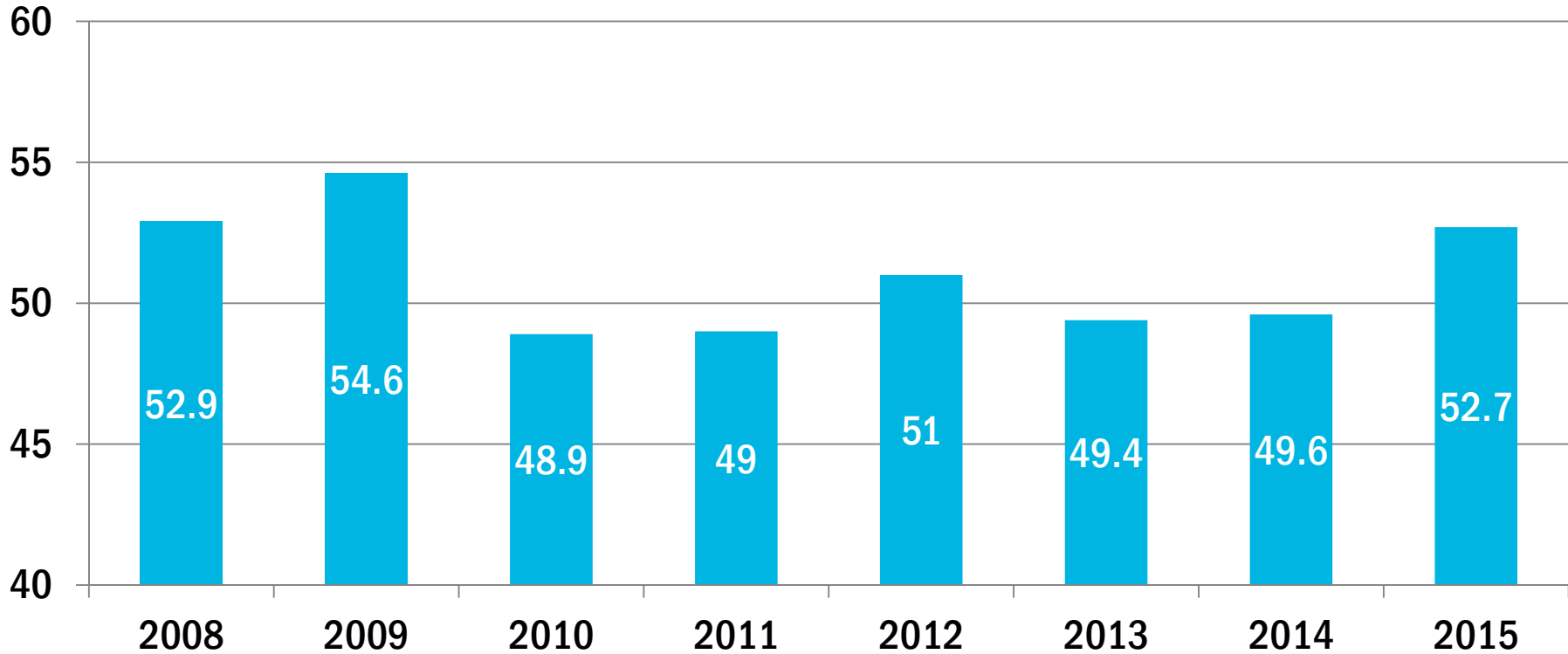




Water Transmission

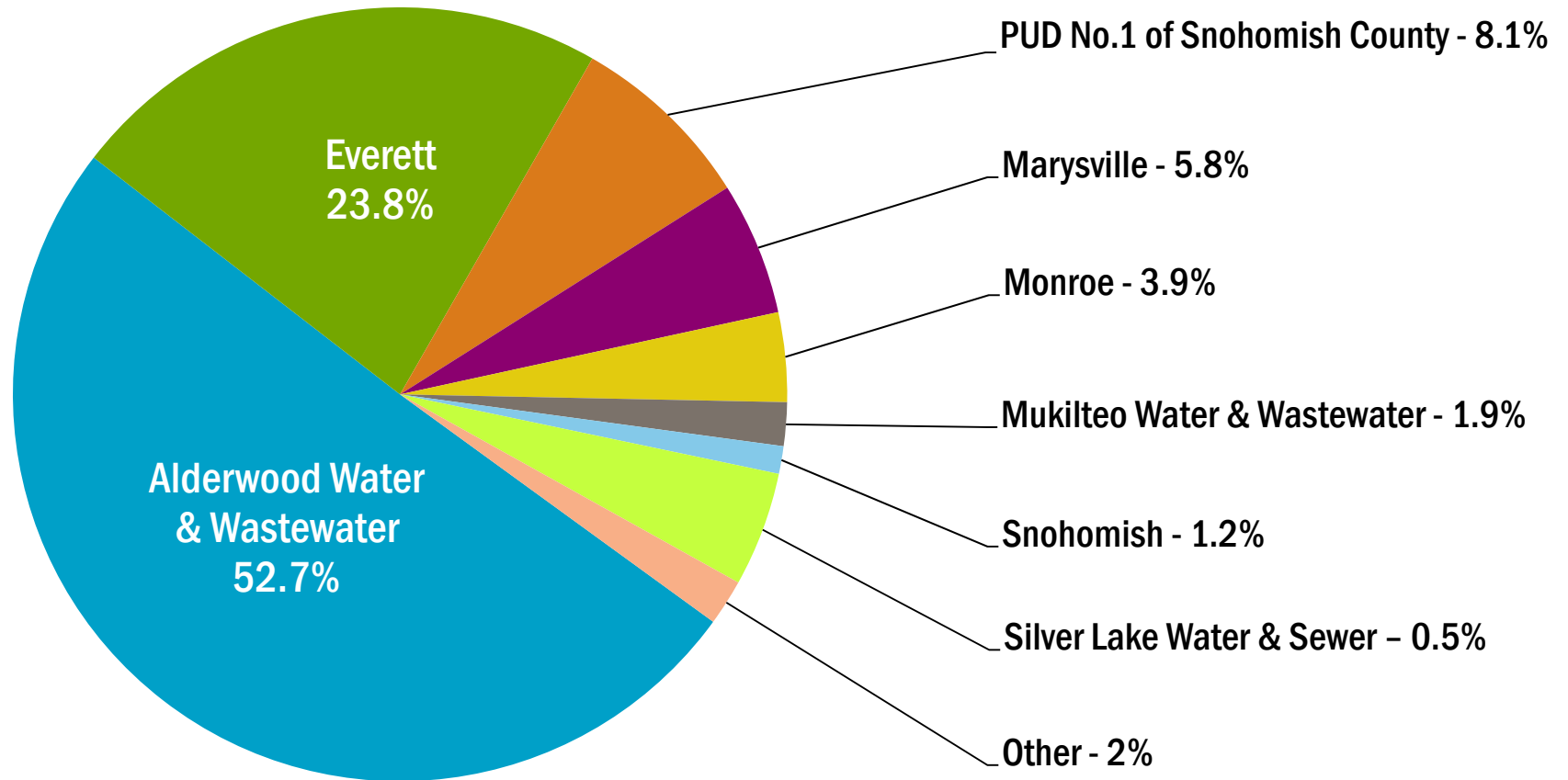
- 2, 3, 4, & 5 Lines
- 42" – 52" diameter
- 70 miles

Average Daily Production of Drinking Water (MILLION GALLONS PER DAY)

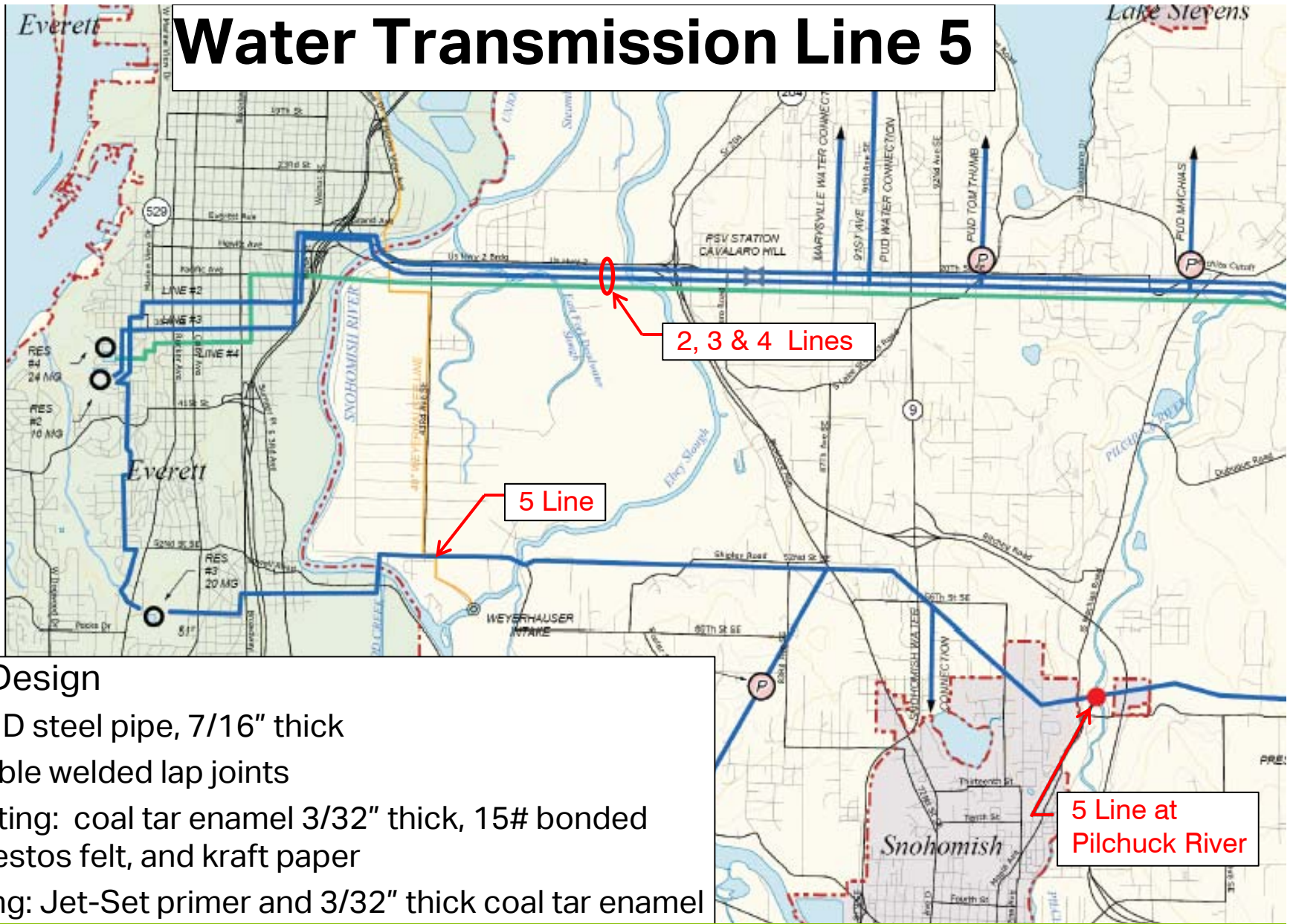


The Everett Drinking Water Treatment Plant produced an average of 52.7 MGD of water in 2015, a 5.9 percent increase from the 49.6 MGD produced in 2014 and 5.6 percent increase from the previous four-year average of 49.8 MGD.

Drinking Water Distribution (PERCENT OF DEMAND)



Water Transmission Line 5



- 1965 Design
 - 51" ID steel pipe, 7/16" thick
 - Double welded lap joints
 - Coating: coal tar enamel 3/32" thick, 15# bonded asbestos felt, and kraft paper
 - Lining: Jet-Set primer and 3/32" thick coal tar enamel

Pilchuck River Crossing



Many users = Many considerations

2: Pre-design

Pre-Design Condition Assessment

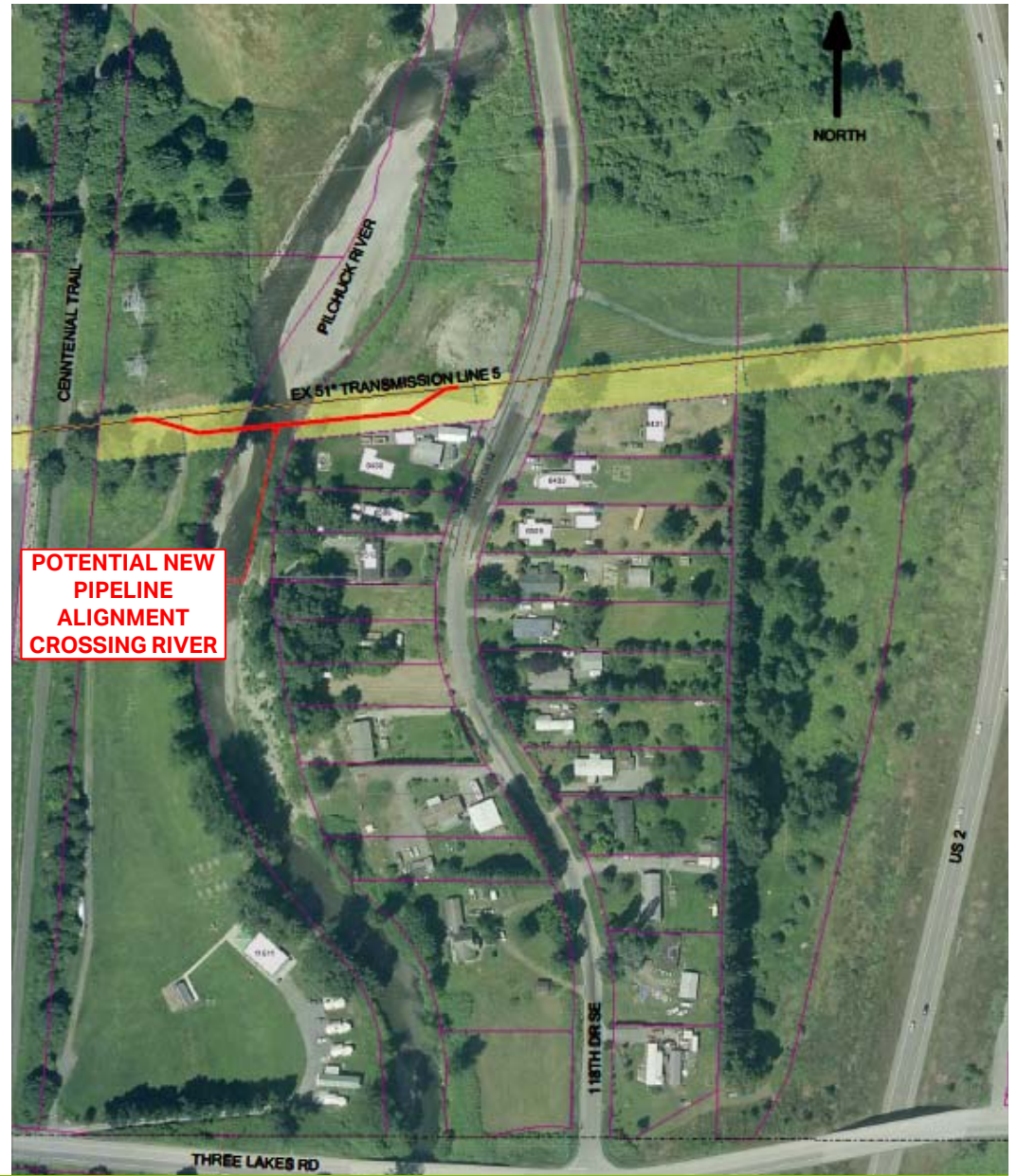
- Pipeline exposed and subject to scour and impact from debris
- Multiple repairs to provide cover and protection
- Non-destructive testing and pipe condition assessment concluded reduced life expectancy / risk of failure

➤ **Conclusion: Repair / Replace**

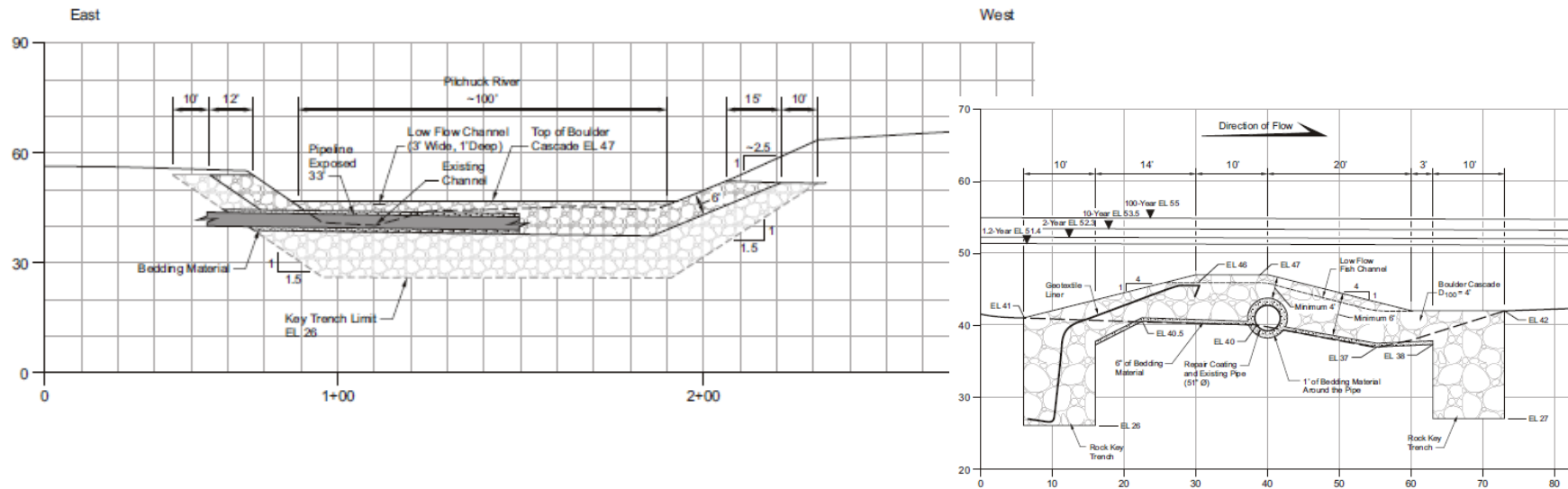


Pre-Design Alternatives

- Repair
- Horizontal Directional Drilling
- Microtunneling
- Overhead Bridge
- Open Trench



Pre-Design Alternative – Repair: Grade Control Structure



– Pros

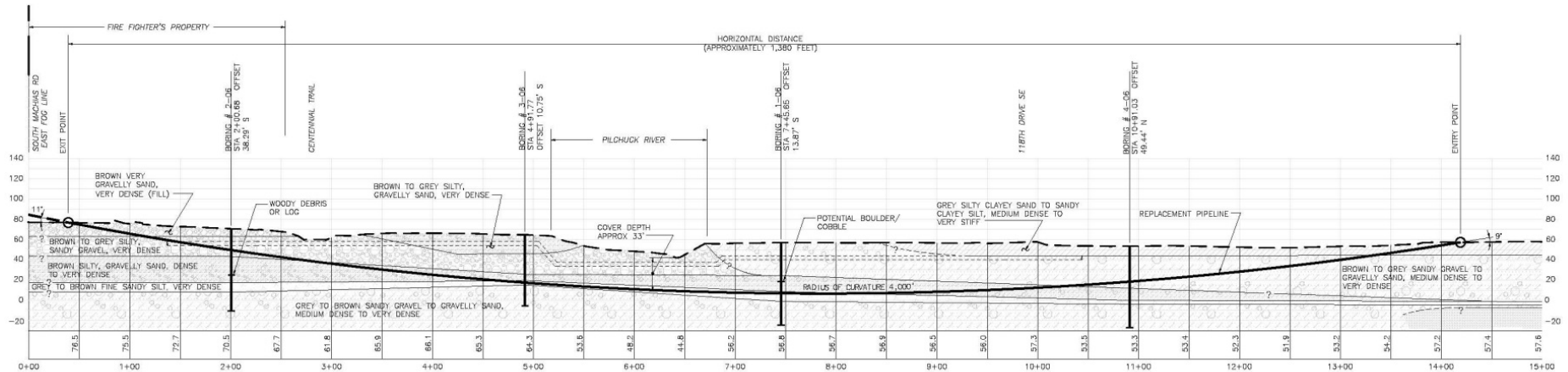
- Fastest way to provide protection
- Lowest cost

– Cons

- History (recent repairs did not last)
- Pipe condition assessment showed limited longevity

➤ **Conclusion: Replace the pipeline at the crossing**

Pre-Design Alternative – Horizontal Directional Drilling



– Pros

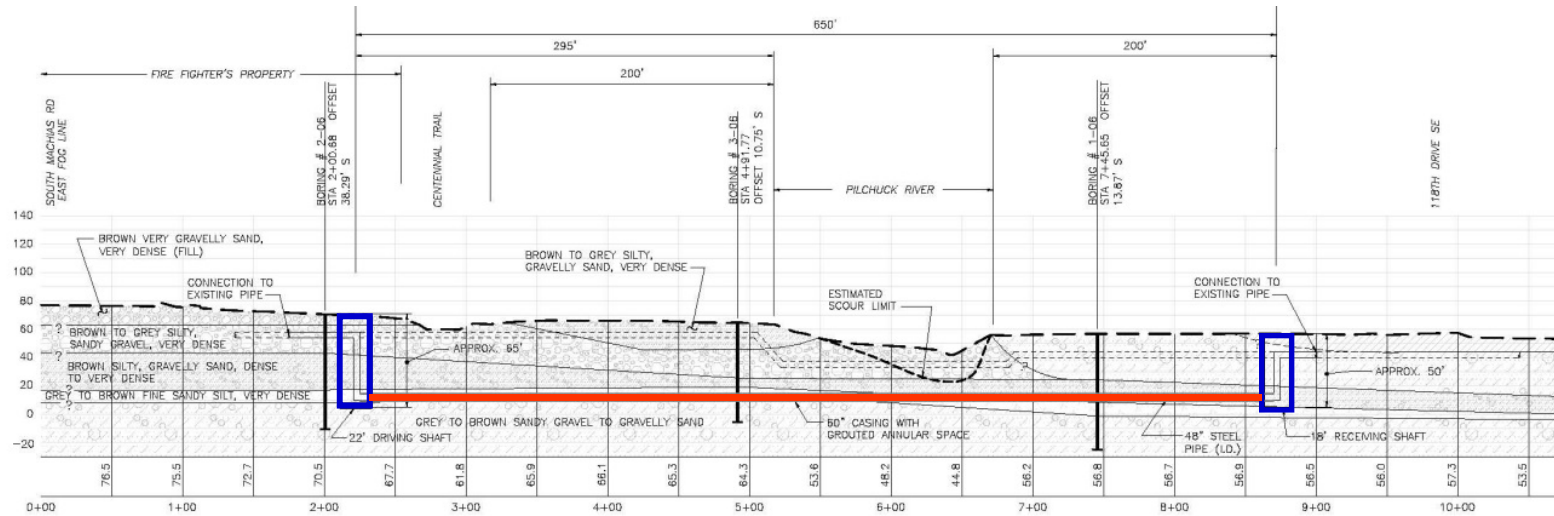
- Underground pipeline preferred (more secure)

– Cons

- Marginal feasibility / high risk (sand, gravel, cobbles, boulders, debris)

➤ **Conclusion: Ruled out due to feasibility/risk**

Pre-design Alternative – Microtunneling



– Pros

- Underground pipeline preferred (more secure)
- Lower risk than HDD

– Cons

- Risk (boulders, stumps, mixed face conditions)
- Highest cost

➤ **Conclusion: Ruled out due to risk**

Pre-Design Alternative – Overhead Crossing



– Pros

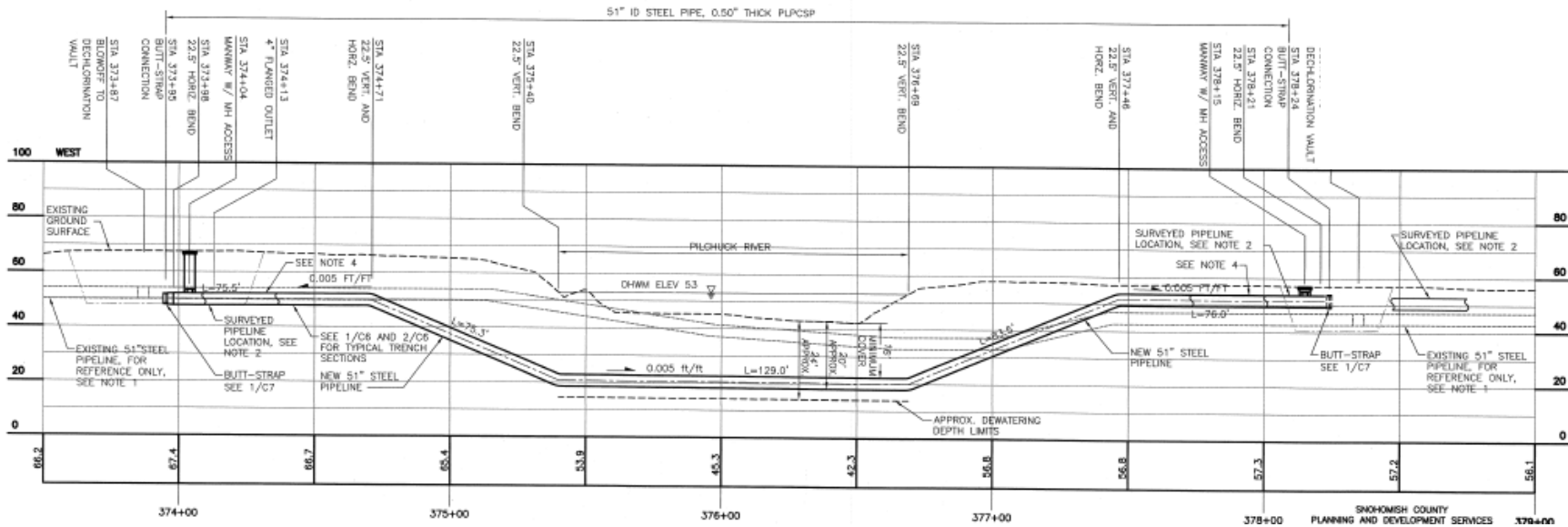
- Feasible / low risk construction

– Cons

- Above ground (less secure, conflicts with City policy)

➤ **Conclusion: Ruled out due to security**

Pre-Design Alternative – Open Trench



– Pros

- Underground pipeline
- Technically feasible

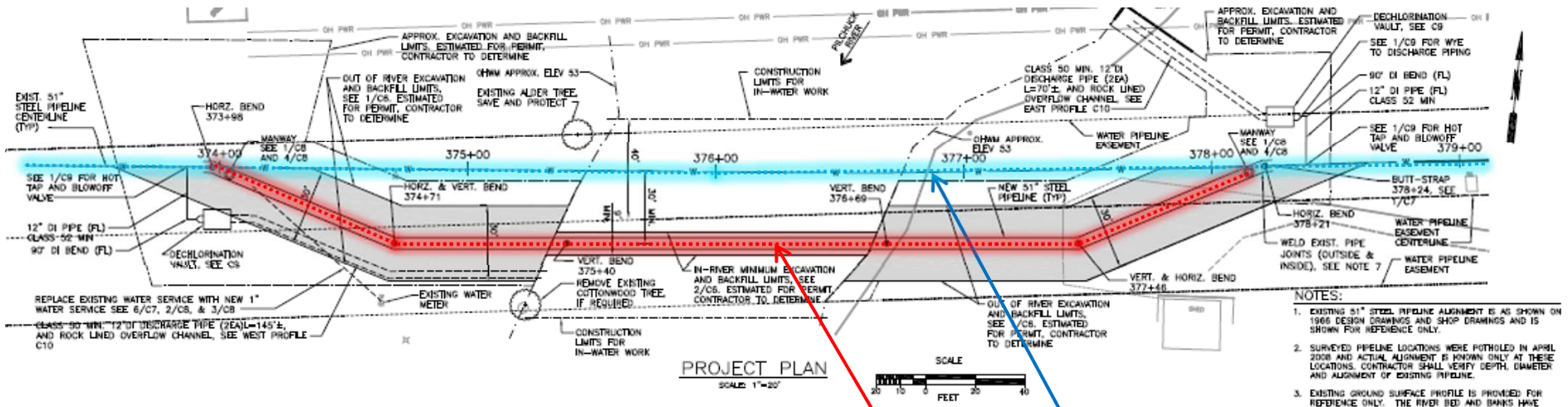
– Cons

- Permits (longest timeline)
- Challenging soil conditions
- Surface and groundwater control

➤ **Conclusion: Preferred Alternative for Design Phase**

3: Design and Permitting – Open Cut Replacement

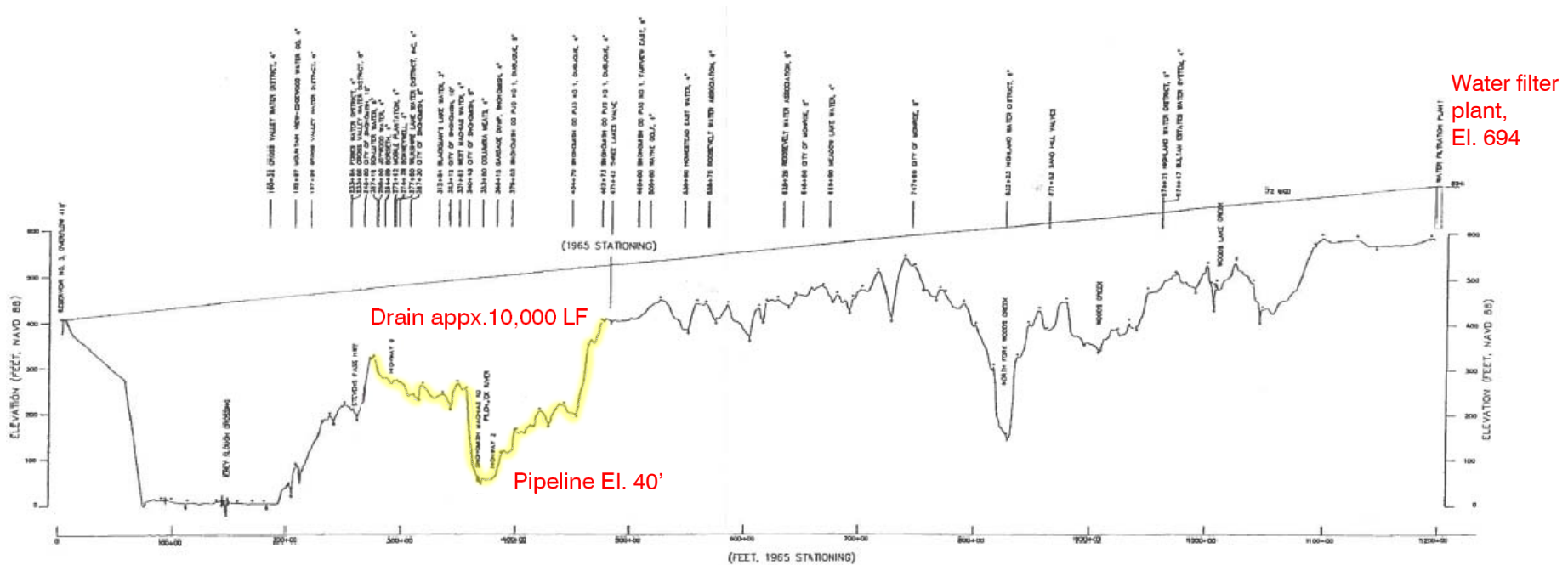
Design Bid Build for 2012 Construction



– Pipeline Design Elements

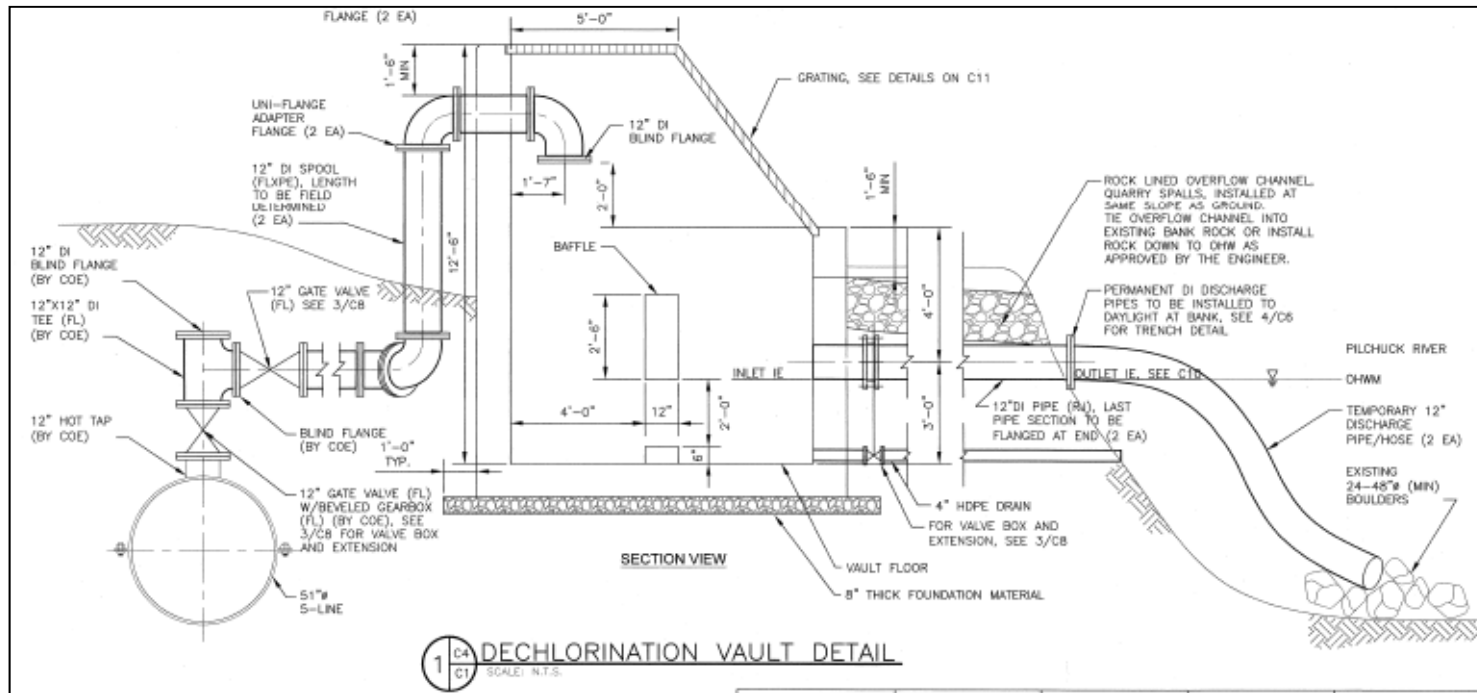
- 430 LF
- Welded Steel, 0.5" thick
- Coating: 40 mil polyurethane
- Lining: 20 mil polyurethane
- Connections
- Access manways
- Draining and dechlorination

Pipeline Design



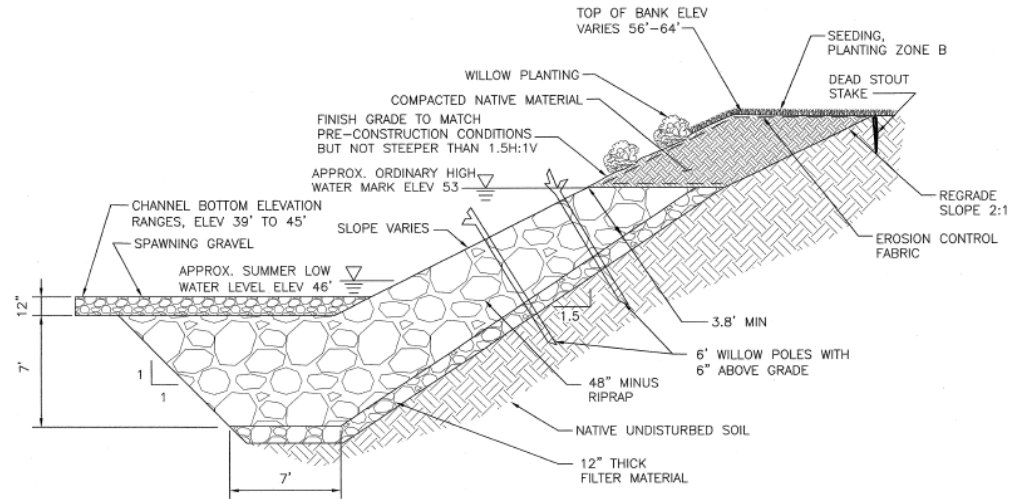
- Operating pressure: **160 psi**
- Connections
 - Volume of water to drain, treat, discharge to river = **1MG**
 - Total Down-time allowed for 5-Line: **12 hour target**

Dechlorination Vaults



- Permanent structure located above OHWM with temporary pipe connections
- Internal baffle to dissipate energy
- Used for:
 - treating and discharging water from 5-Line
 - During testing of new pipeline
 - Prior to final connections

Design



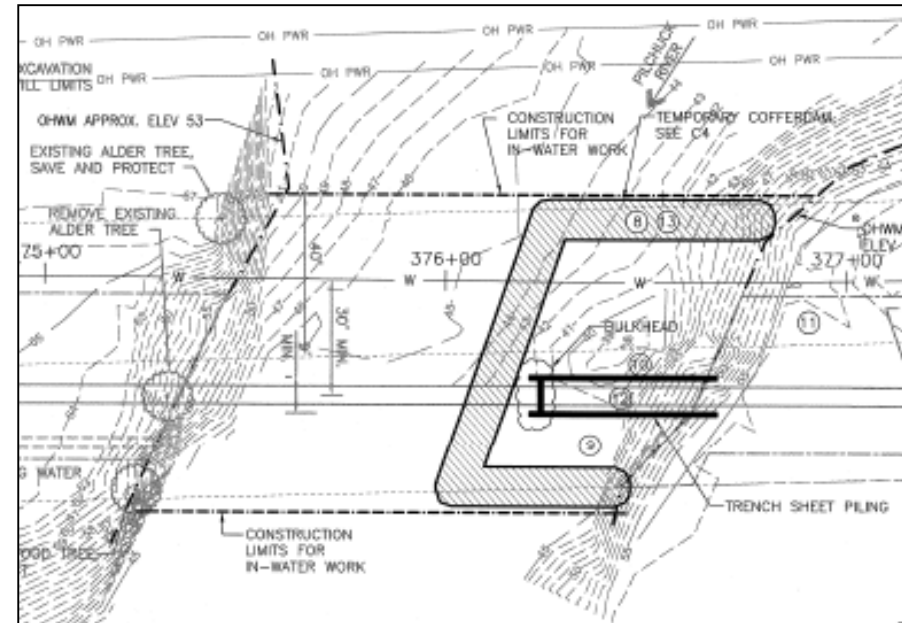
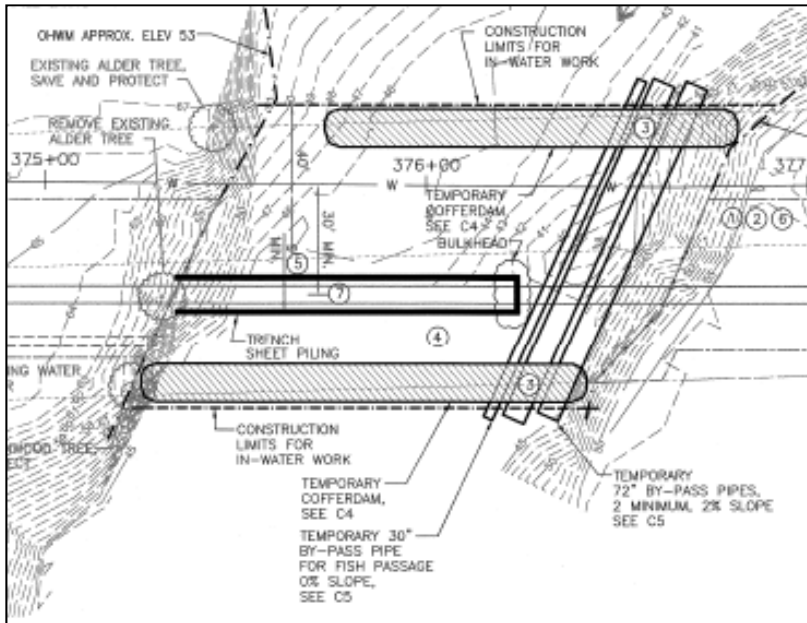
– Geotechnical

- Investigation and data report
- Performance based dewatering and shoring specifications

– River Hydraulics

- Scour depth / cover over pipeline
- Geomorphic review
- Channel and streambank restoration
- Zero rise analysis

River Diversion / Isolated Work Area



- Purpose
 - Obtain permits for in-water work
 - Isolate work area
 - Protect aquatic life
- Goals
 - Work within easement

- Concept
 - Two phased approach, if needed
 - Contractor to final design

Permits and Approvals

– Permit Agencies

- US Army Corps of Engineers (Corps 404)
- US Fish and Wildlife Service (ESA consultation)
- National Marine Fisheries Service (ESA consultation)
- Washington State Department of Fish and Wildlife (HPA)
- Washington State Department of Ecology (401 Certification)
- Washington State Department of Natural Resources (Aquatic Easement)
- Snohomish County (Shoreline, Flood Hazard, Building Permit, LDA)

– Permits finalized in May 2012

– Contractor Award June 2012

– In-water Work period August 1 to August 31, 2012



4: Construction

The background is a solid blue color. On the right side, there are several thin white lines that intersect to form a series of overlapping triangles and quadrilaterals, creating a geometric pattern.

Construction – Design Bid Build 2012



Viewing South, downstream. Sheets are set up against sandbag diversion.



View southwest, downstream at remaining Pilchuck River flow.

- Permitted in-water work period:
 - 30 Days (August 1 to August 31)
- River Diversion (phase 1):
 - ~ 2/3 of the river around work area
- No dewatering wells installed
- Contractor needed more time to plan and construct

Construction – Design Bid Build 2012

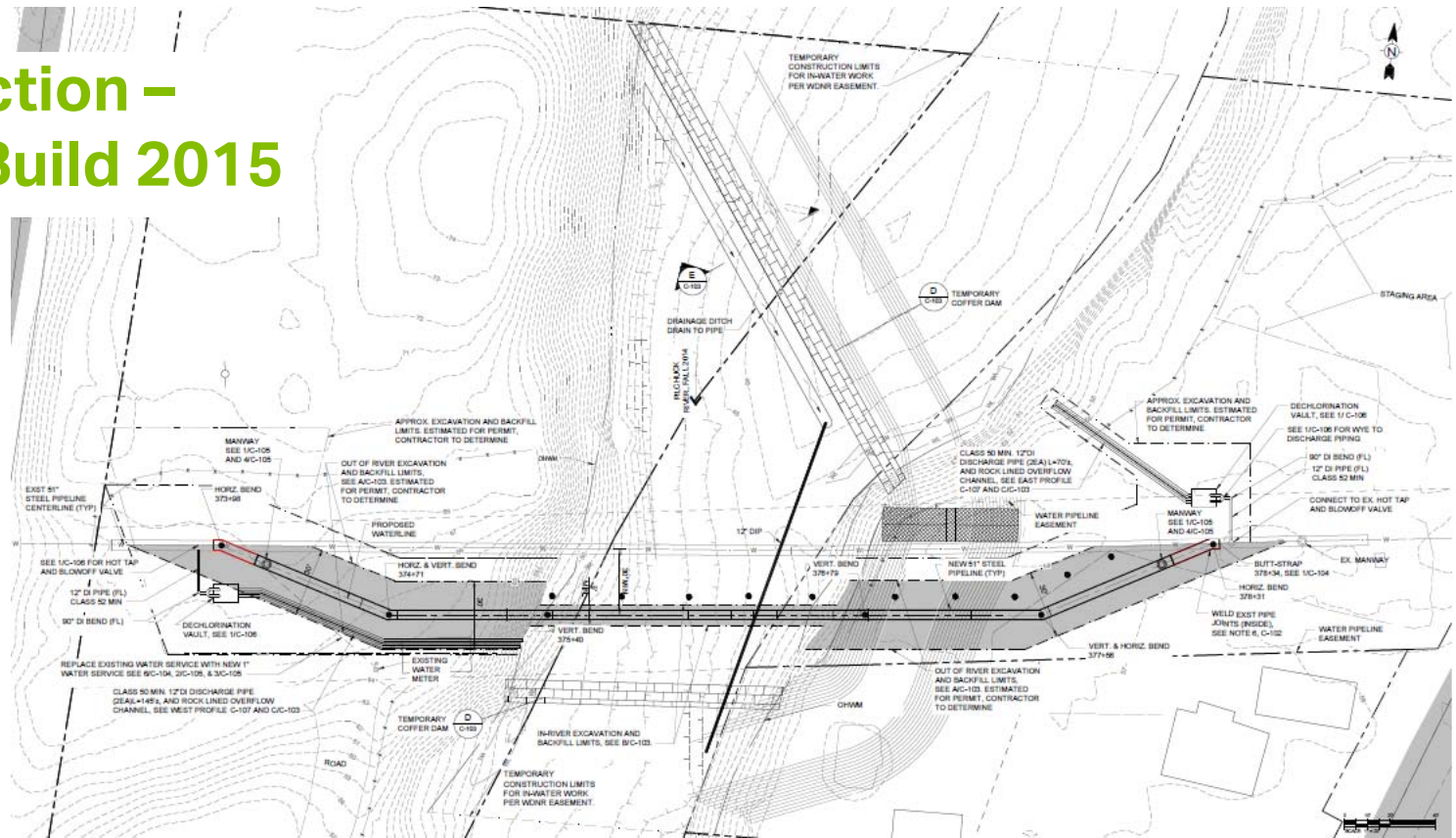


- Sheet pile and shoring installed August 19-20
- Attempted to remove water from trench without success



- Contractor withdrew
 - Isolated work area dismantled
 - Banks restored
 - Site secured for future construction

Construction – Design-Build 2015



- Contractor team planned from RFQ, RFP, and through construction
- Permit revisions:
 - Longer in-water work period (July 1 to August 31)
 - River diversion around the work area
- Planning and ownership of soil and groundwater conditions

Early planning / preparation for in-water work window



– Groundwater wells:

- Test wells (winter 2014/2015)
- Well installation east trench April 2015
- Low water year, so in June 2015, worked with agencies to install wells below OHW (close to the edge of the river)

East Pipe Trench



- Installed prior to in-water work (May/June 2015)
- Test section of pipe to learn about soil and groundwater
- River diversion channel to be constructed over top this new section of pipe

➤ Lessons Learned

- Significant amount of water in pipe trench, “like a waterfall”
- Bulkhead installed to help cutoff flow of water into the trench

Diversion Channel Construction / River By-pass



- Open channel, lined with geomembrane and rock



- Constructed out of the OHW prior to in-water work period

Diverting the River into Diversion Channel



– Upstream end



– Downstream end

Fish Removal / Start work to "dry" river bed



- River is diverted
- Now time for fish removal



- Route surface water out of channel
- Groundwater well installation and trench shoring

Pipe Trench Across River



– 20 feet below river bottom

Connection Points (old / new pipe)



– East

- Looser material than west side
- Many large boulders encountered
- Difficult groundwater conditions

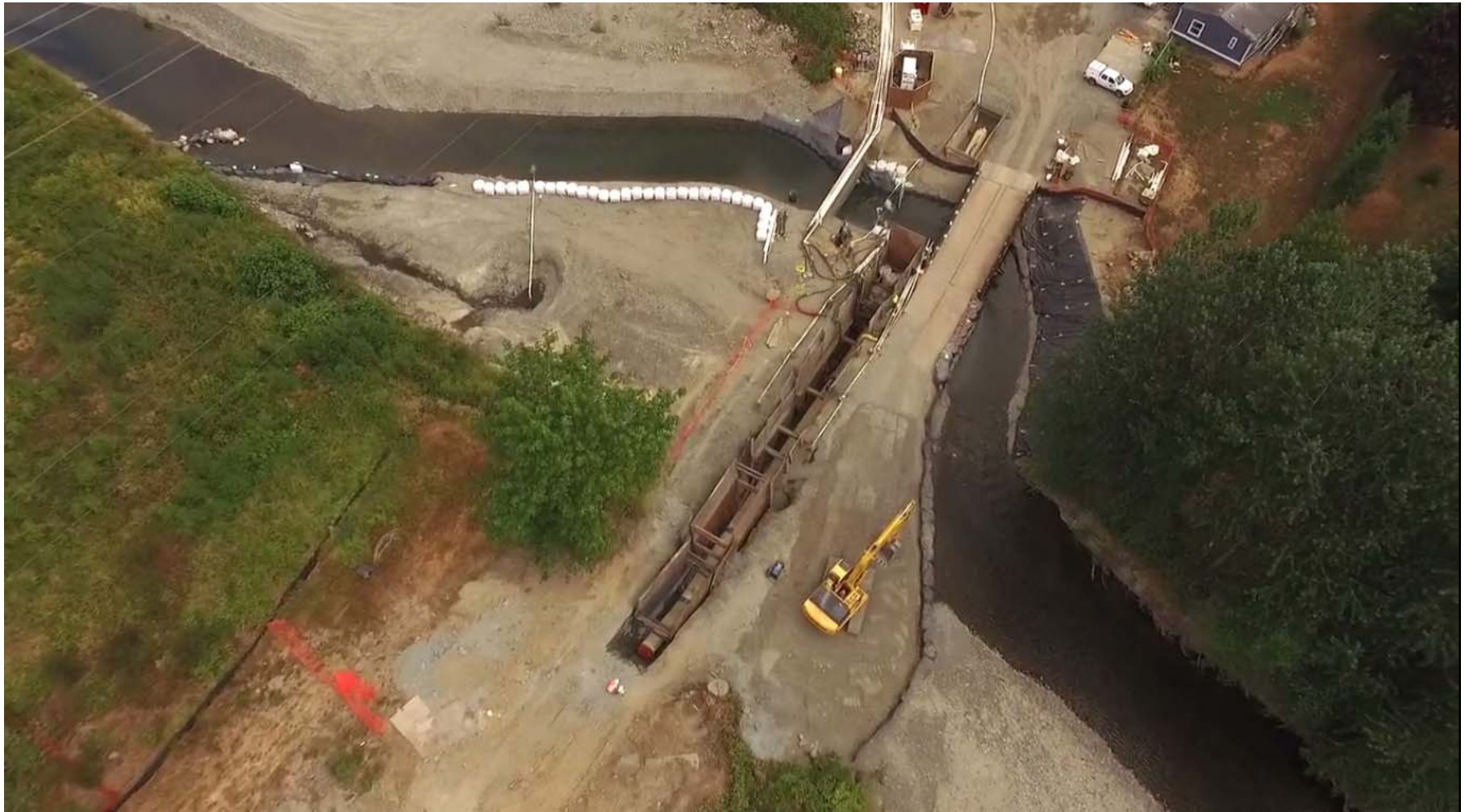
– West

- Highly cemented soils
- Less groundwater

River Crossing Complete



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Bank Restoration



- Rock riprap below OHWM
- Soil/coir fabric wraps
- Live stakes / native vegetation



- Restore diversion channel cut through private property
- Cottonwood to be used for restoration

Dewatering Existing 5-Line / Preparing for Connections



- October 22-23, 2015
 - Pipeline shutdown at 10 PM, 10/22
 - Gravity drained by 2:15 AM



- Multiple crews both sides of river (pumping out water, welding, coatings)
- Connections complete and water restored 8 PM, 10/23.

Summary and Lessons Learned

– Design Build

- Provided excellent planning opportunity for dewatering and river diversion
- Good and direct communication with permitting agencies allowed for meeting deadlines
 - Increased time for in-water work
 - Can talk with permit agencies directly about means and methods
 - Coordinated permission to encroach on OHWM areas
 - Removal of existing pipeline
 - » Condition of Aquatic Lease Agreement (by 2022)
 - » Easily added to permit through direct coordination with Agencies based on actual Contractor methods
 - » Successful removal in November 2015
- Contractor's team had to think about it from RFQ to RFP selection.
- Paid off as work went seamlessly.

– Sentiment after 1st try was to go trenchless

- Low feasibility / High Risk due to geologic and groundwater conditions
 - Verified via construction

Thank You

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