Lewis River Aquatic Fund Projects (SA 7.5.3.2) Project Closeout Report

Project Title: Lewis River Hydroelectric Project

Project Approved By: Aquatic Coordination Committee

March 24, 2014

Original Project Sponsor: Lower Columbia Fish Enhancement Group

Project Funding \$292,460: \$40,000 ACC and \$252,460 SRFB

Project Description (work completed):

• Main channel margin wood placement: 1,100' of margin habitat created along the NF Lewis River including 11 structures comprised of 55 piling and 41 pieces of LWD.

• Floodplain roughness: 4.0 acres of floodplain roughness structures installed using 31 structures comprised of 73 piling and 59 pieces of LWD.

• Riparian enhancement: 9.5 acres were treated including scotch broom removal, spraying knotweed, spraying and manually removing blackberry, and revegetating with native plants.

Workforce:

o Personnel (by craft)

Contractors:

• Project Manager: Brice Crayne

• Project Coordinator: Maurice Frank

• Engineering Firm: Inter-Fluve, Inc.

• Contractor for LWD Install: Kysar-Koistinen

• Contractor for knotweed treatment: RK Reforestation

• Manual Labor provided by Larch Correctional Facility CWC Crews

Schedule Summary: Planned Completion Date: 3/15/2018 Actual Completion Date: 3/15/2019

Problems Encountered:

• Access permitting on WDFW land set back construction one year.

 Plant desiccation in two planting zones increased mortality and required us to bring in equipment to assist with planting to increase hole depth and import compost to increase organic matter in the soil.

• Crew access in the winter was sometimes difficult because of the high flow channel that flows through our access route.

• LCFEGs stacked up construction schedule made watering the plants regularly nearly impossible.

Things that went well:

- Lots of wood was donated by PacifiCorps to the project from Swift Reservoir wood collections.
- Wood installation went smooth with no equipment issues.
- Plant survival under the established cottonwood canopy is high (>80%) with good growth already on the western red cedar.

Work Not Completed:

None. All objectives were met.

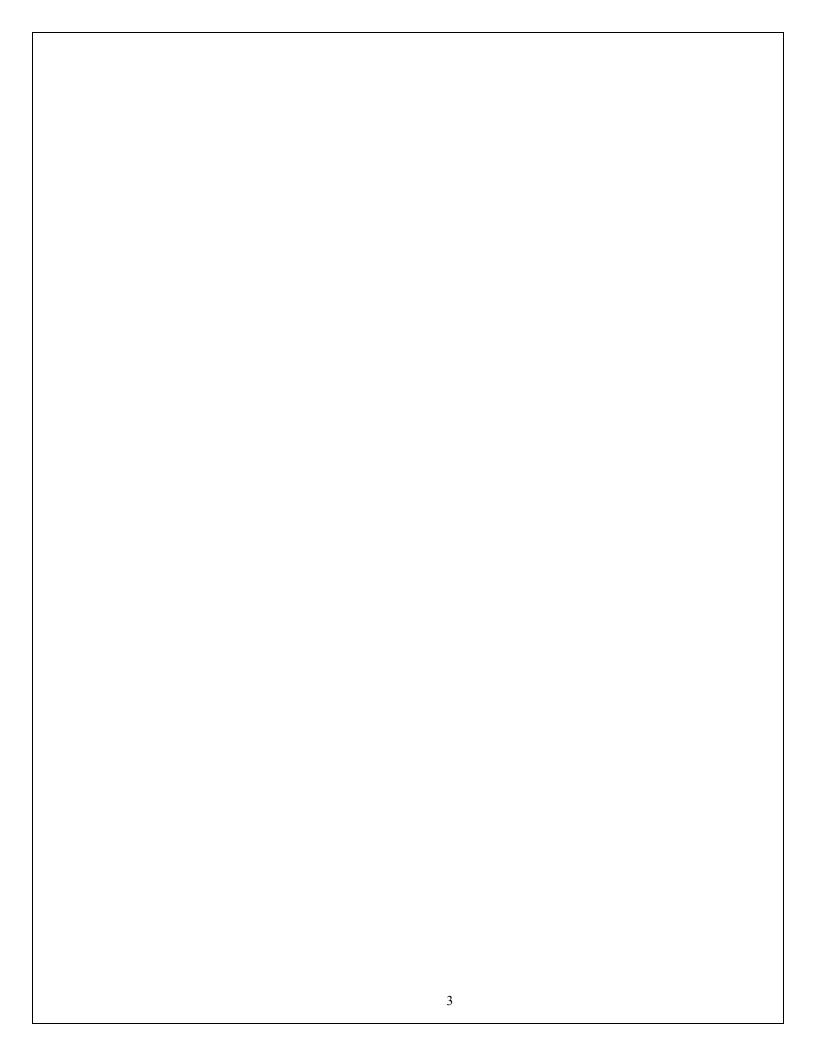
Lessons Learned:

- Areas dominated by scotch broom likely have underlying soil content issues. At this project, we discovered that areas that were originally dominated by scotch broom had a substrate composition of about 60% cobble, 20% gravel, and 20% sand. To try and get plants established in these areas we dug holes with a 12" diameter x 48" long bit mounted on a skidsteer on about 6-8' centers. These holes had to be manually excavated by hand before they could be planted. Each hole received 5 gallons of compost as it was backfilled during plant installation. This was completed in spring 2019 and results will not be available for a few years.
- Slash should be a primary component of any LWD structure being installed, not a secondary thought. Slash increases the roughness associated with the structure, increases places for fish to hide, and mimics natural woody structures. This is especially important in systems like the NF Lewis which has three major reservoirs and therefore has limited woody debris supply.
- * Attachments (Photo Documentation):
- See attached document: "Haapa Phase 1 Photo Documentation"

*(Per National Marine Fisheries Service's Biological Opinion for Relicensing of the Lewis River Hydroelectric Projects):

Identify process or methodology the project will include and provide photo documentation of habitat conditions at the project site **before**, **during**, **and after** project completion.

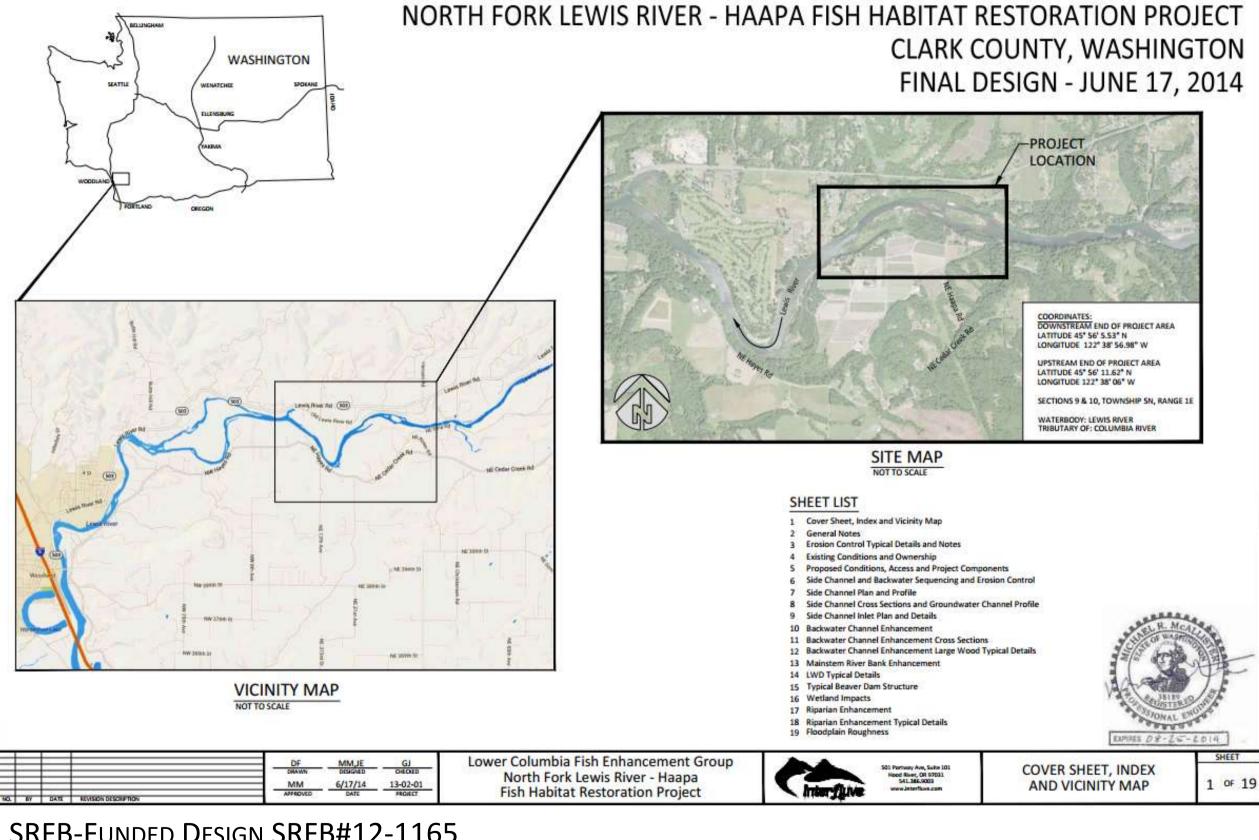
- a. Include general views and close-ups showing details of the project and project area, including pre- and post-construction.
- b. Label each photo with date, time, project name, photographer's name, and documentation of the subject activity.

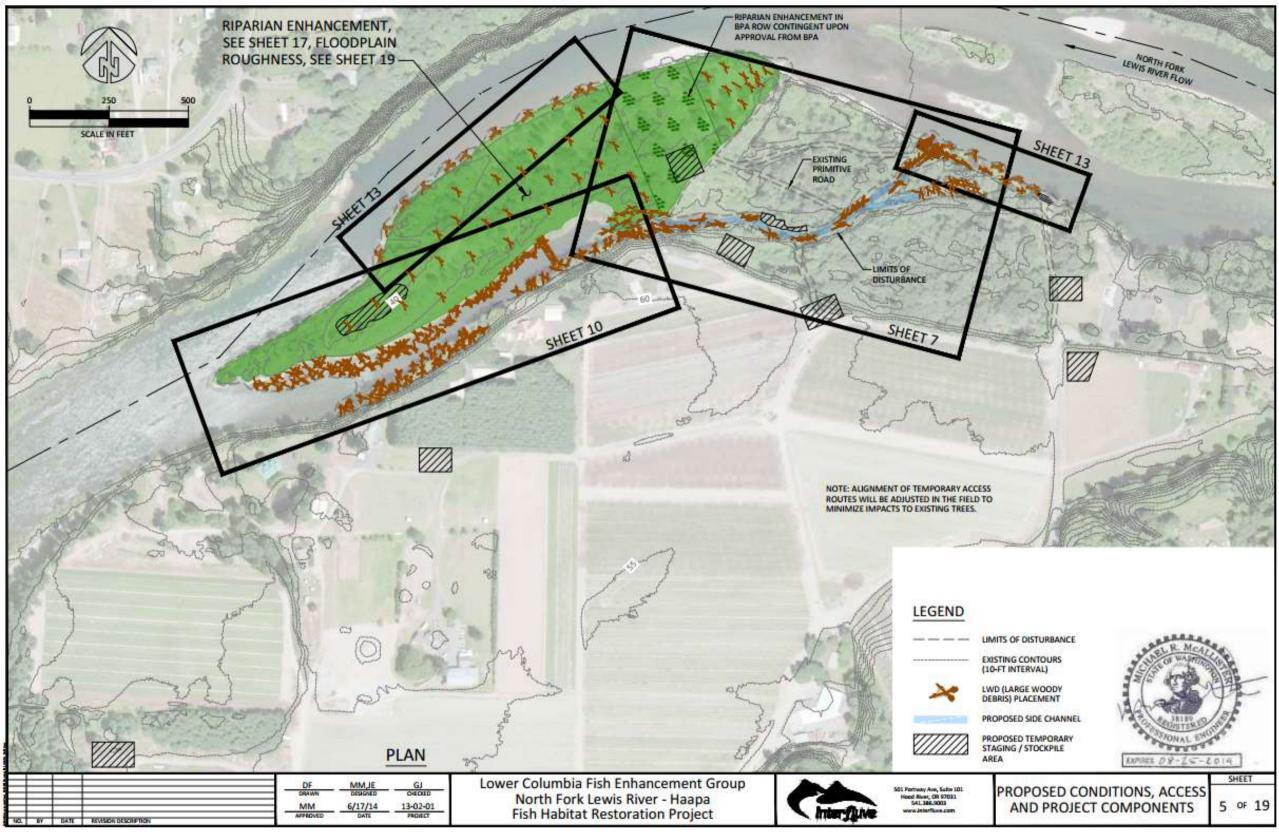


LOWER COLUMBIA RFEG

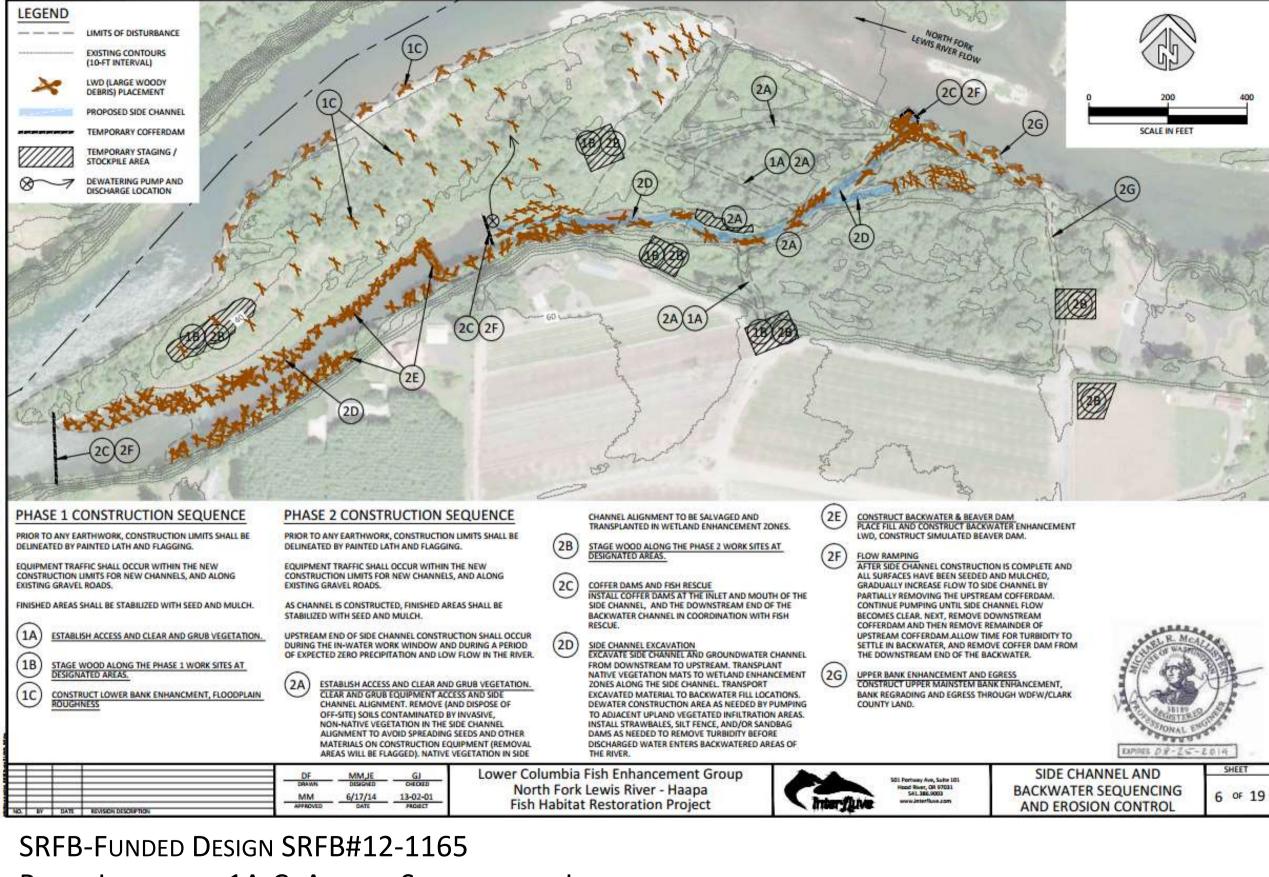
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NF Lewis River Restoration
HAAPA PHASE I PROJECT
SRFB# 14-1339



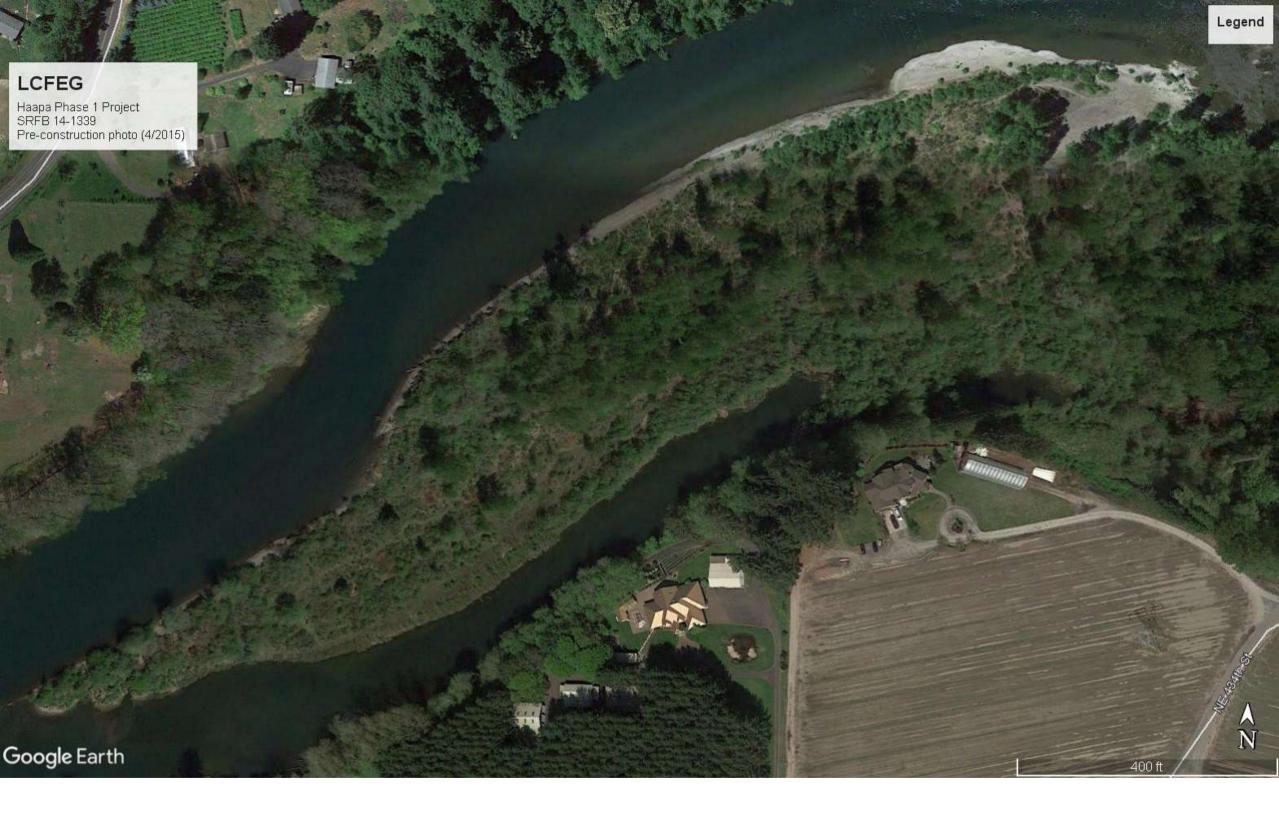


SRFB-FUNDED DESIGN SRFB#12-1165
PHASE I INCLUDED RIPARIAN ENHANCEMENT AND FLOODPLAIN ROUGHNESS (SHEET 17 AND 19)

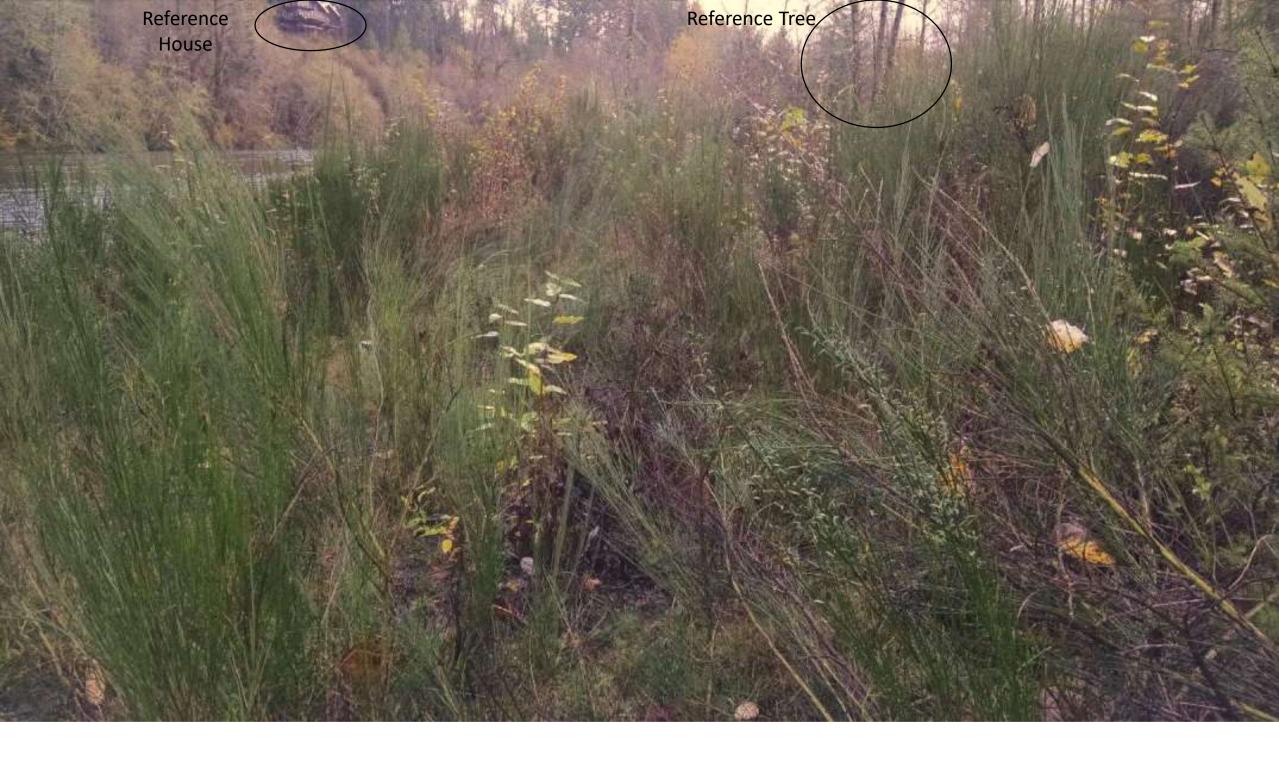


PHASE I INCLUDED 1A-C: ACCESS, STAGING, AND LOWER

BANK ENHANCEMENT AND FLOODPLAIN ROUGHNESS



GOOGLE EARTH IMAGERY
PRE-CONSTRUCTION
APRIL 2015



March 2016
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: MAURICE FRANK

PRE-TREATMENT OF SCOTCH BROOM



March 2016
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: MAURICE FRANK

POST TREATMENT OF SCOTCH BROOM



December 2016

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

FLOODPLAIN ROUGHNESS INSTALLATION ON PRIVATE LAND



February 2017
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

SPRING 2017 PLANTING



February 2017

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

GREEN MOUNTAIN SCHOOL VOLUNTEER PLANTING DAY



April 2017
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

SPRING SURVIVAL ASSESSMENT

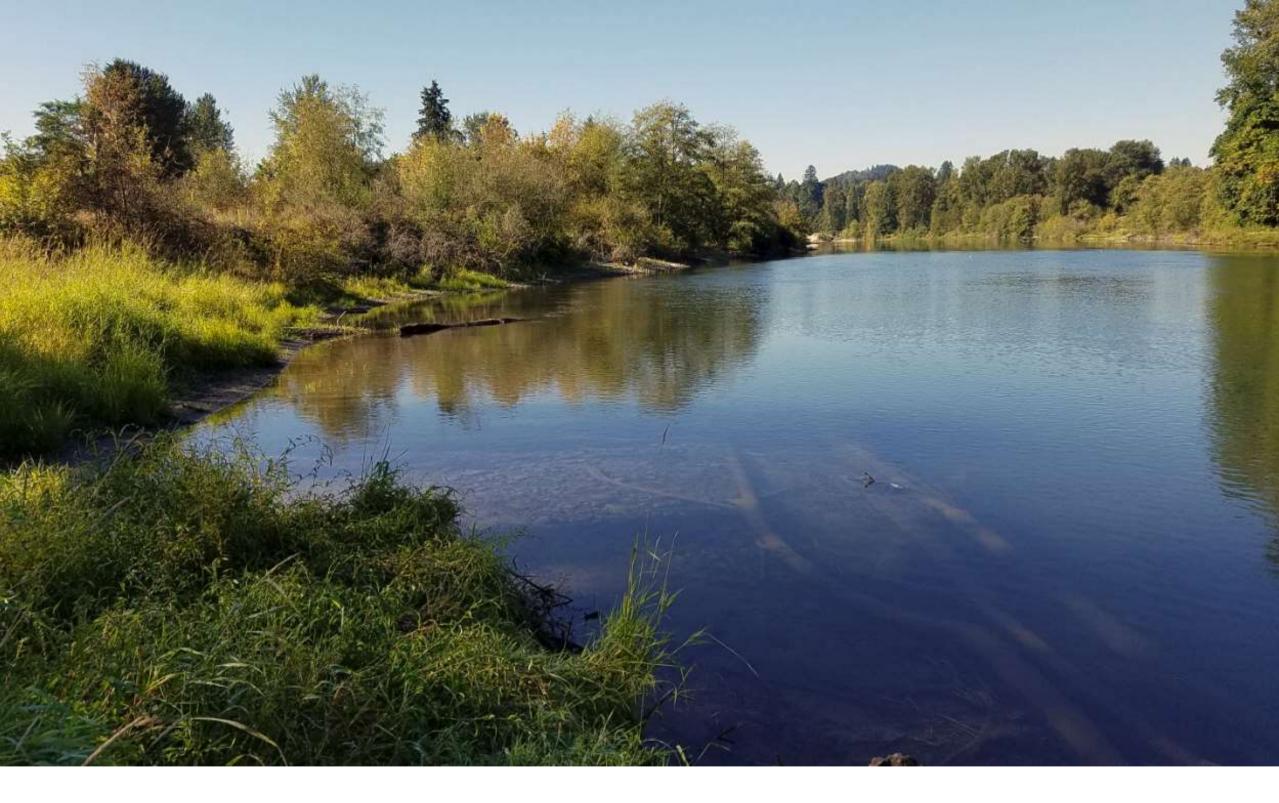


GOOGLE EARTH IMAGERY
MID-CONSTRUCTION
MAY 2017



April 2016
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

WOOD DONATED BY PACIFICORPS



April 2017

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

Before - Image of Instream LWD Construction Site (Looking Downstream)



September 2017

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

During - Construction Image of Instream LWD Construction Site (Looking upstream)

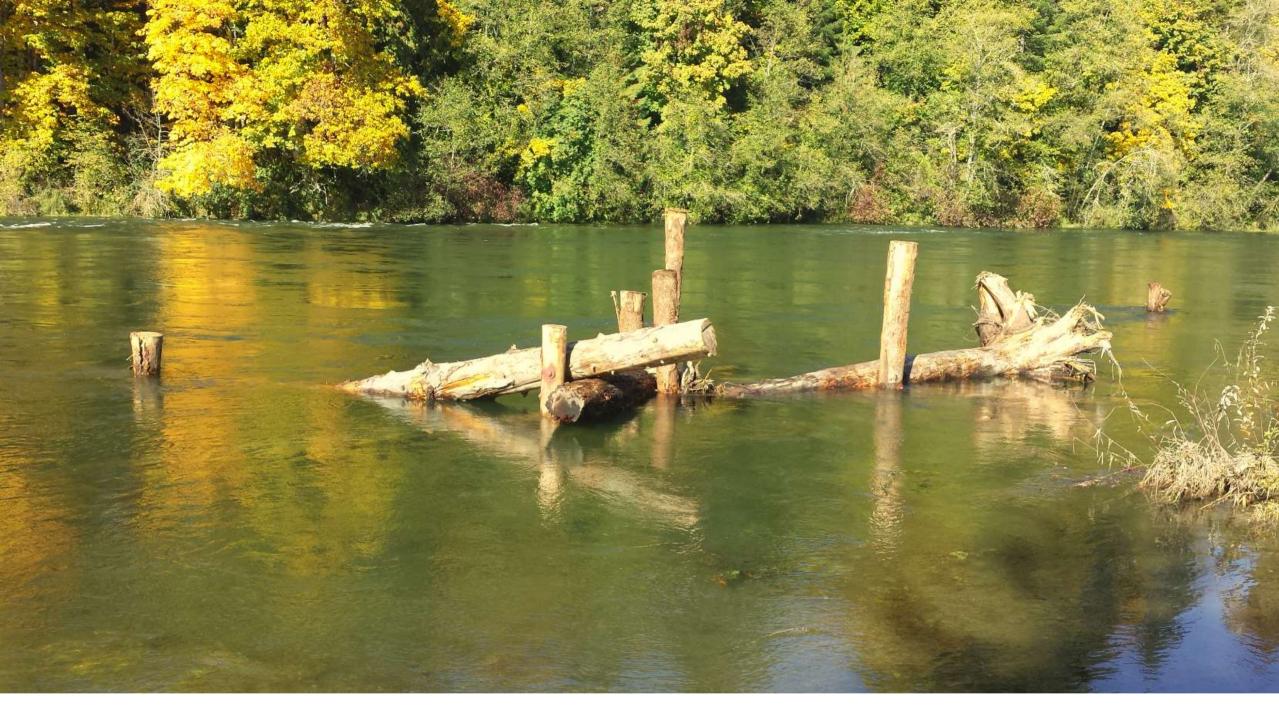


September 2017

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

AFTER - CONSTRUCTION IMAGE OF INSTREAM LWD CONSTRUCTION SITE (LOOKING SLIGHTLY UPSTREAM)



October 2017

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

AFTER - CONSTRUCTION IMAGE OF INSTREAM LWD CONSTRUCTION SITE AT HIGH FLOWS (LOOKING UPSTREAM)



March 2018

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

AFTER - CONSTRUCTION IMAGE OF INSTREAM LWD CONSTRUCTION SITE (PANORAMIC)



March 2018

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

AFTER - CONSTRUCTION IMAGE OF INSTREAM LWD

CONSTRUCTION SITE (UPSTREAM STRUCTURES)



GOOGLE EARTH IMAGERY
POST-CONSTRUCTION (2018/19 RIPARIAN REVEGETATION STILL REMAINING)
JULY 2018



January 2019

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

VIDEOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

Photo series from video of skidsteer-auger hole digging; each hole took 30-60 seconds to dig.



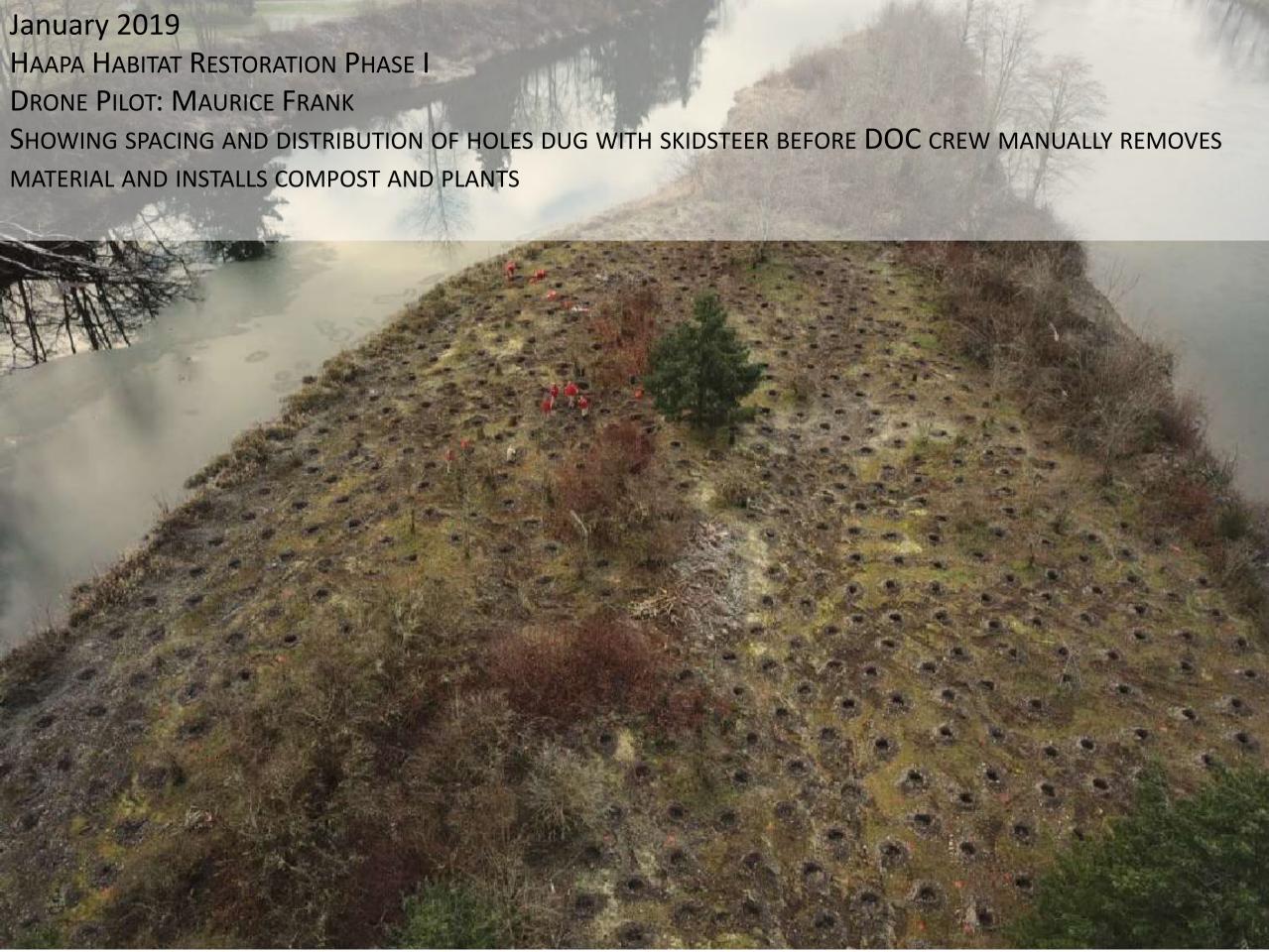
January 2019

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

SHOWING HOLE COMPOSITION, DEPTH AND SUBSTRATE

SIZE AFTER SKIDSTEER AUGER FINISHES





January 2019
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
DRONE PILOT: MAURICE FRANK
HOLES WERE DUG OUT MANUALLY BY DOC CREWS

January 2019

HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: MAURICE FRANK
EACH HOLE WAS DUG OUT DEEP AND WIDE ENOUGH
TO FIT A 5-GALLON BUCKET. 5 GALLONS OF COMPOST
WAS ADDED TO EACH HOLE.



January 2019
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE
50 YARDS OF COMPOST IMPORTED TO AMEND SOIL
AND MULCH PLANTS

March 2019
HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION
PHASE I
PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE
WESTERN RED CEDAR WERE
SHADED AND PROTECTED FROM
DEER BROWSE





March 2019 HAAPA HABITAT RESTORATION PHASE I

PHOTOGRAPHER: BRICE CRAYNE

FINAL PRODUCT OF RIPARIAN ENHANCEMENT