### Coos County Board of Commissioners

ACU-23-074-FP-23-012 Work Session

Tuesday, March 5, 2024 1:30-3:30 p.m.

**Owens Building Conference Room** 

201 North Adams Street Coquille, Oregon 97423

# **Work Session Opening**

- Jill Rolfe
- opening comments
- process & protocols



### Today's Presentation

BSDD – Fred Messerle, District Manager Agriculture - Mark Isenhart, Jeff Messerle – Landowners Biological – Mike Gray, ODFW, Helena Linnell, CIT Coquille Valley Wildlife Area – Stuart Love, CVWA Manager Monitoring Project Results – CoqWA – Julie Huff Project Facilitators – Coos SWCD - Caley Sowers Stakeholder Perspective – Steve Denney

# **BSDD** Role

Manage & Maintain District Infrastructure

Administrate the District Water Management Plan (DWMP)

Facilitate and coordinate with landowners and other stakeholders to meet goals and objectives for individual parcels

### **Focus Point:**

**Managing/Moving** 

Water

On the

Landscape

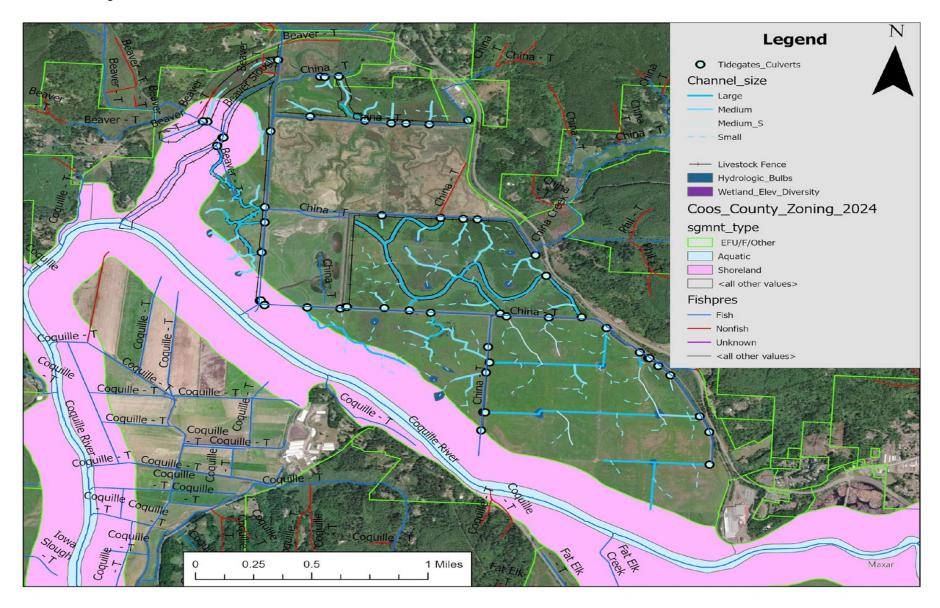


### 1848 ----- 1948 ----- 2048



**1848** - Oregon became a territory. Section 12 of the Territorial Constitution declared that rivers and streams supporting salmon shall not be dammed or otherwise obstructed unless fish passage is provided.

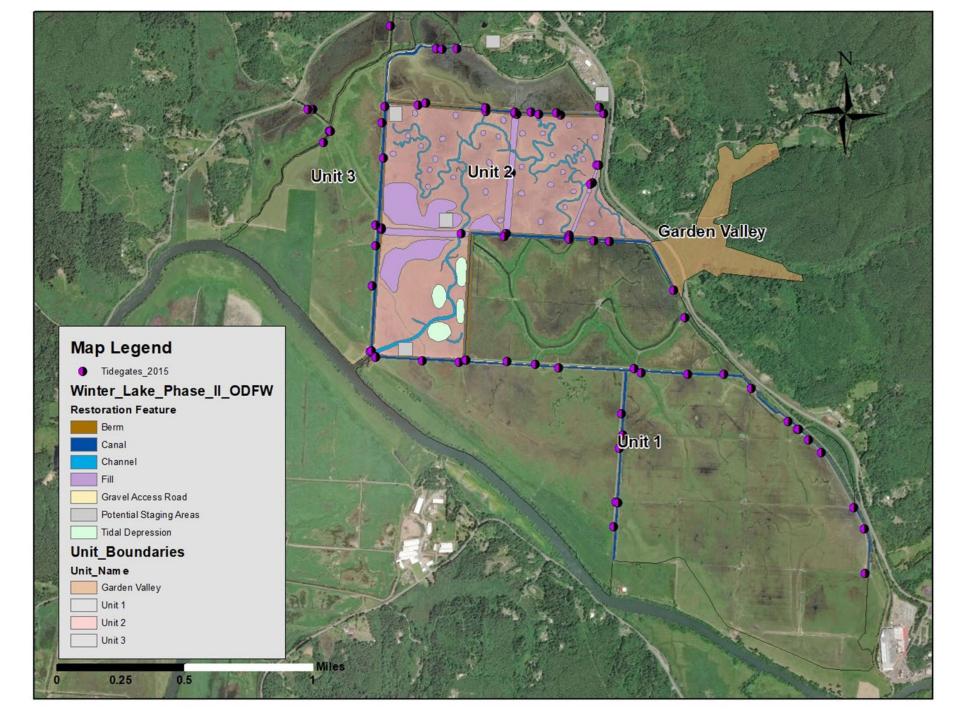
## EFU/CREMP



### **ECONOMICS 101**

- Significant impact of natural resources to the local economy
- Agricultural operations will not generate enough income to pay for the infrastructure necessary to meet statutory fish passage and habitat requirements.













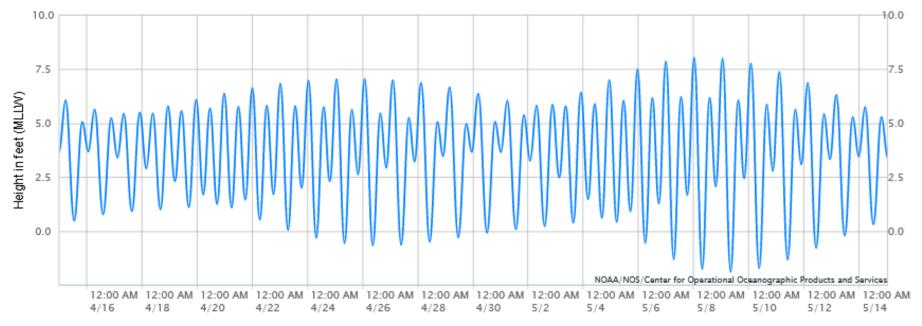


### **Time & Tides**

#### NOAA/NOS/CO-OPS

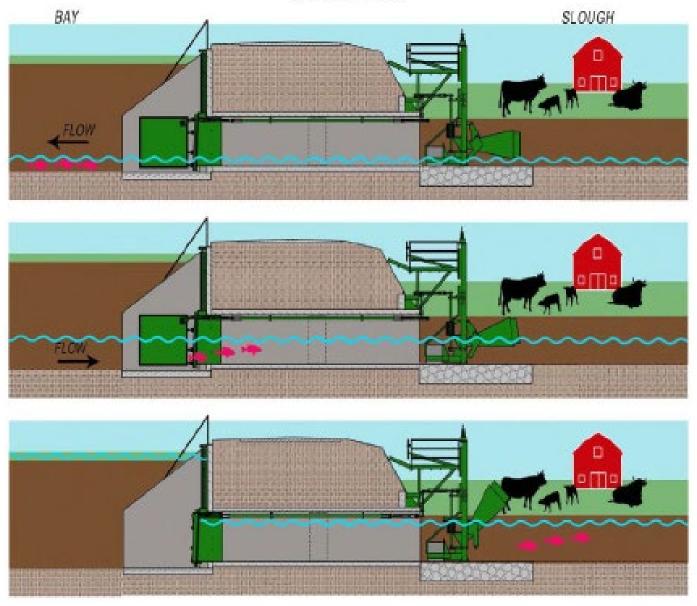
Tide Predictions at 9432373, BANDON, COQUILLE RIVER OR From 2024/04/15 12:00 AM L ST/LDT to 2024/05/14 11:59 PM L ST/LDT

Subordinate Station | Ref. Station (Charleston 9432780) | Time offsets (high: -5 min. low: 2 min.) | Height offsets (high: \*0.92 ft. low: \*0.94 ft.)



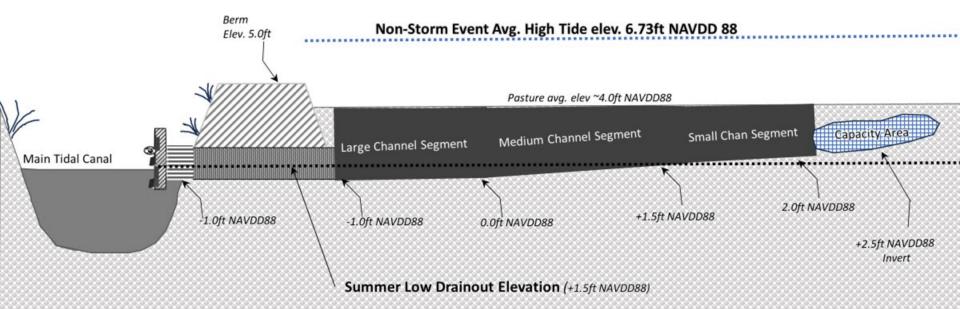
Note: The interval is High/Low, the solid blue line depicts a curve fit between the high and low values and approximates the segments between. Disclaimer: These data are based upon the latest information available as of the date of your request, and may differ from the published tide tables.

#### MUTED TIDE



#### Winter Lake Phase III

Channel Rise/Slope Cross-Section



# 404 JPA permit, ATTACHMENTS ENGINEERING

- **Attachments** 
  - A\_Figures and Photos
  - B\_Project Actions\_Design\_Yardages
  - 3. C\_WinterLakeIII\_HydroAssess
- ... Mimic natural conditions
- ... Engineered project components
- **Eliminate ponding**
- Enhance water quality





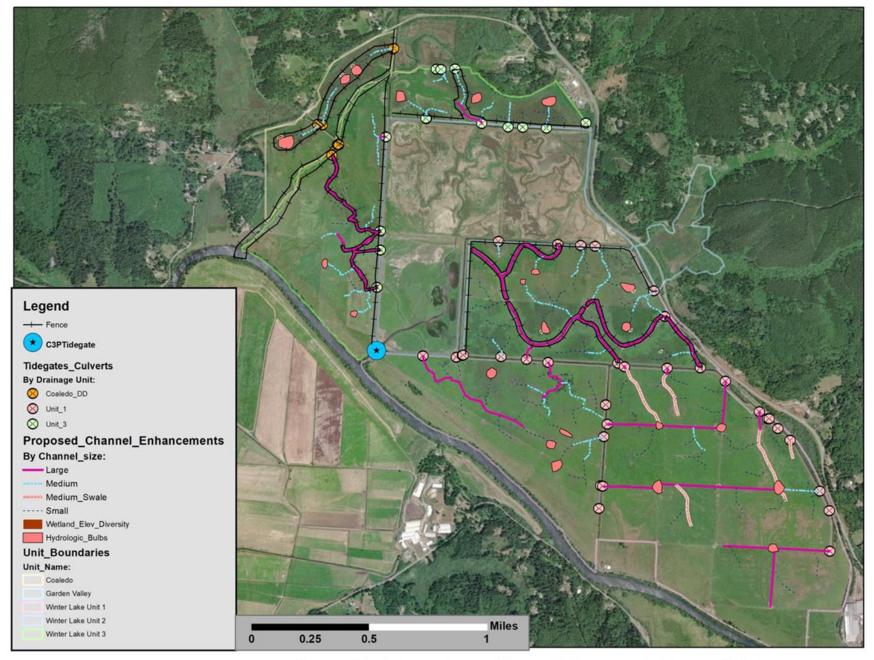


Figure 19. Winter Lake Phase III Proposed Channel Enhancements

## **Project Activites**

- a. Rebuild the interior infrastructure to maximize capacity and management of water over the landscape.
  - i. Canals,
  - ii. Culverts
  - iii. Bridge
  - iv. Water control gates
  - v. Side Channels
    - 1. Type 1
    - 2. Type 2
    - 3. Type 3
    - 4. Hydrologic bulbs
  - vi. Berm Repair
  - vii. Off channel watering system
  - viii. Cattle Crossings
  - ix. Dredge spoils distribution.
  - x. Vegetation
  - xi. Other

# **Post Project**

a.Provide for system maintenance over time.

a.Adaptive Management

### AGRICULTURAL IMPACT

- These are legacy operations that contribute to the local economy
- Our investment is at risk
- System is plugged and not functioning
- Drainage is negatively impacted
- Irrigation is inefficient
- Access is restricted (for livestock and farm equipment)

# PLUGGED CHANNEL





# PERCHED CULVERT





#### Coquille Valley Wildlife Area

-Stuart Love







Oregon Dept. of Fish & Wildlife/ Coquille Indian Tribe

-Mike Gray, District Fish Biologist (ODFW)
-Helena Linnell, Environmental Biologist and Planner (CIT)

### Coho Salmon Life Cycle

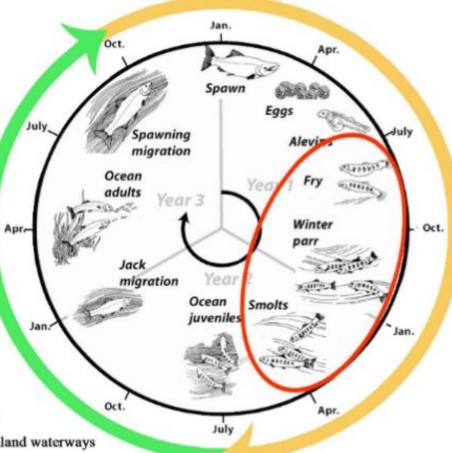






Lifecycle time spent in estuaries & inland waterways

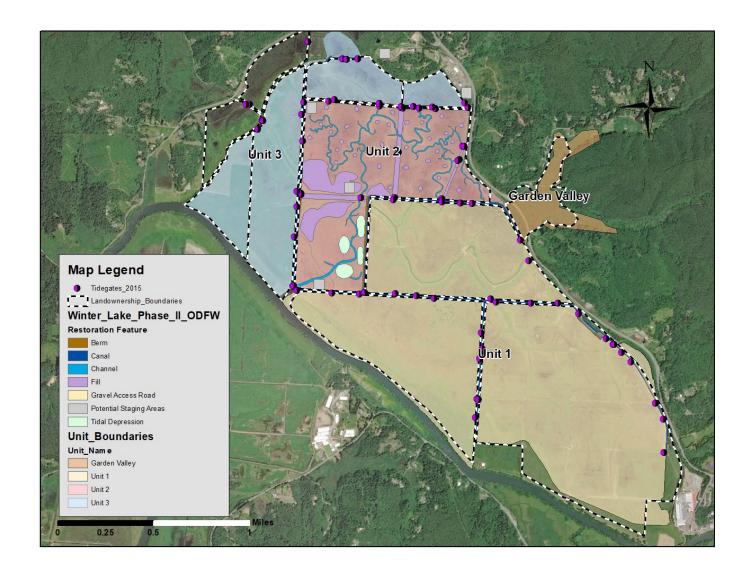
Lifecycle time spent in the ocean



# **Coho—Winter Lake** residence

#### **Coho—River captured**









### **Coos & Coquille Basins Technical Support Organizations**



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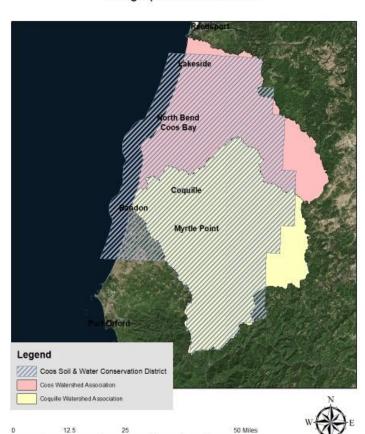
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#### Coos County Tidegate Technical Service Providers Geographic Service Area



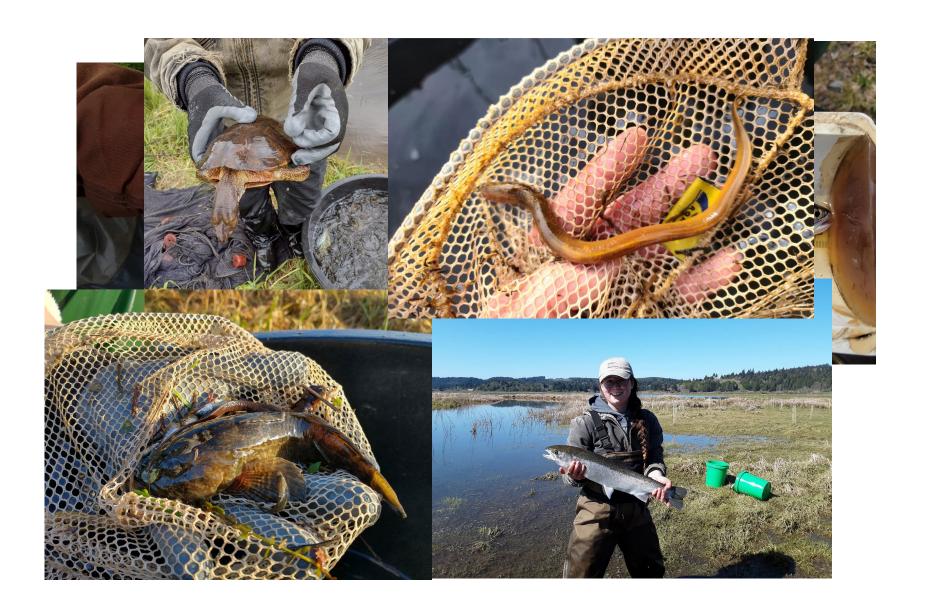


Winter Lake Water Quality Monitoring
-Julie Huff, Monitoring Coordinator,
Coquille Watershed Association

#### Water Quality

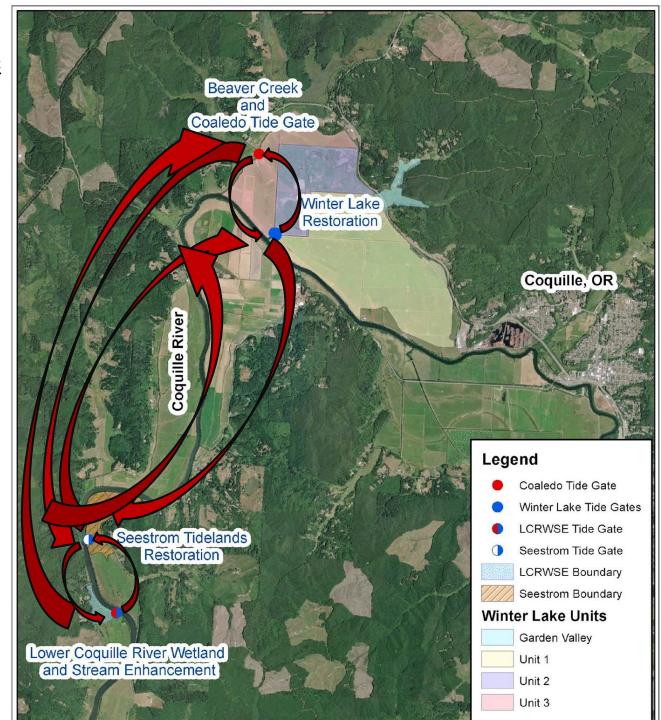
- Excess nutrients, pathogens (E. coli) from manure in surface water
- Dissolved Oxygen





#### Juvenile coho usage

- 25% of tagged juvenile coho are detected at multiple sites
- Juvenile coho are highly mobile!
- Agricultural land
   with improved fish
   habitat is beneficial
   for our county



### Stakeholder Perspective:

Steve Denney

### In Conclusion

- a. Thank You for opportunity to present project information.
- **b.** Stewardship Importance
- c. Request for ACU approval by staff
- d. Is this the best use of limited resources for the community as a whole?
- e. Request support in future for projects, permitting reform, etc.

### **Questions & Clarifications**

