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Culvert Extension Provides Fish Passage and Maintains Flood Capacity Kari Nichols, PE



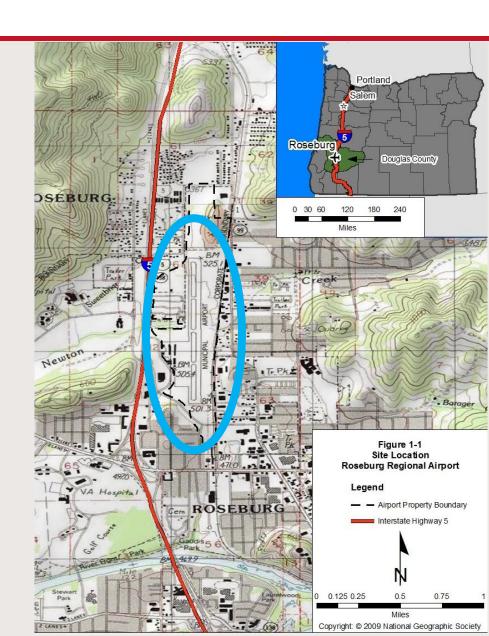
Newton Creek Culvert Extension and Fish Passage

- Project Need
- Regulatory Overview
- Proposed Improvements
- Design Analysis
- Construction
- Results



Project Need

- Roseburg Regional Airport
- Airfield safety



Project Need

- Newton Creek
- Culvert extension
- FAA
- NEPA



Regulatory Overview – Aquatic Habitat

- Avoid or mitigate adverse impacts
- Federally listed species
 - Oregon Coast Coho salmon (Oncorhynchus kisutch)
- ODFW fish passage rule (OAR 635-412-0000)
- ODFW and NMFS
- Passage for historic and native migratory fish



Regulatory Overview – Floodplain

- Avoid or minimize adverse impact
- FEMA mapped Zone AE floodplain
 - Base flood elevations determined
- 100-year flood flows contained in culvert

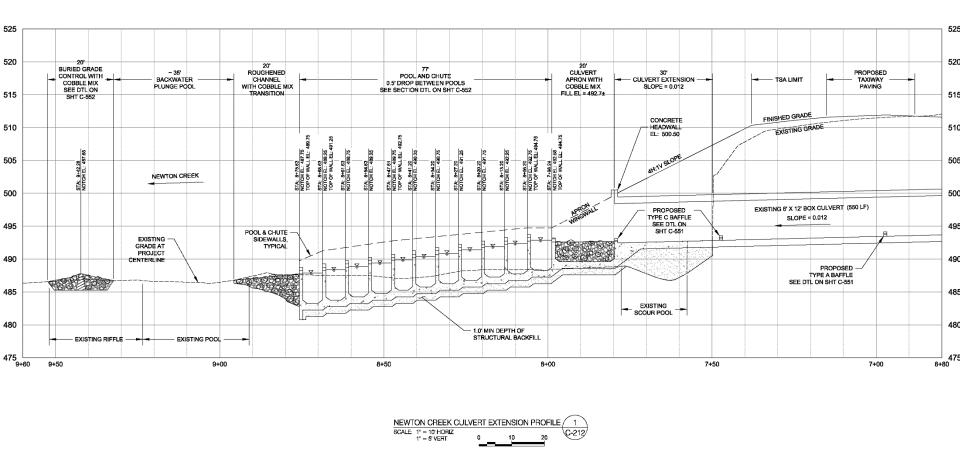


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Proposed Improvements

- Remove existing culvert outlet
- Extend culvert 30 feet
- Construct a pool and chute fishway
- Construct roughened channel downstream
- Place cobble/boulder bed mix and sediment retention sills within culvert

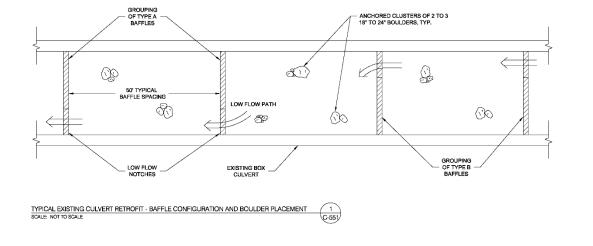


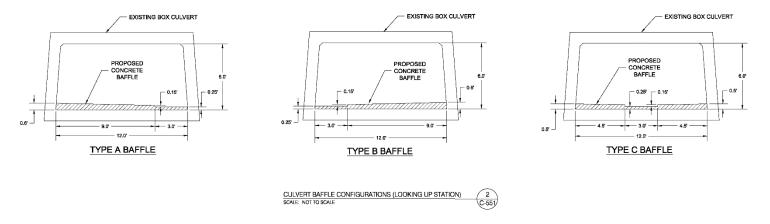


Proposed Improvements

Profile of culvert extension, pool and chute fishway, roughened downstream channel, and in-culvert baffles







Proposed Improvements

In-culvert baffles and boulder clusters



Design Analysis

- Criteria
 - Hydraulic capacity
 - Velocities
 - Flood storage
- Hydraulic modeling
 - HEC-RAS
- Design iterations
 - In-culvert structures
 - Exit structures
- Result
 - No rise in base flood elevation



- In-water work period
- Bypass flow
- Isolating work below OHW from active stream







Fishway construction







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- Fishway completed
- Culvert apron with cobble mix
- Downstream roughened channel cobble mix
- Riparian restoration







Creek flows returned









Results





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