



**City of Chicago
Department of Transportation**

**Albany Park
Stormwater Diversion Tunnel
Chicago's New Flood Mitigation Asset**





Agenda

1. Area History
2. Project Overview
3. Hydraulic Modeling
4. Construction
5. Media Coverage



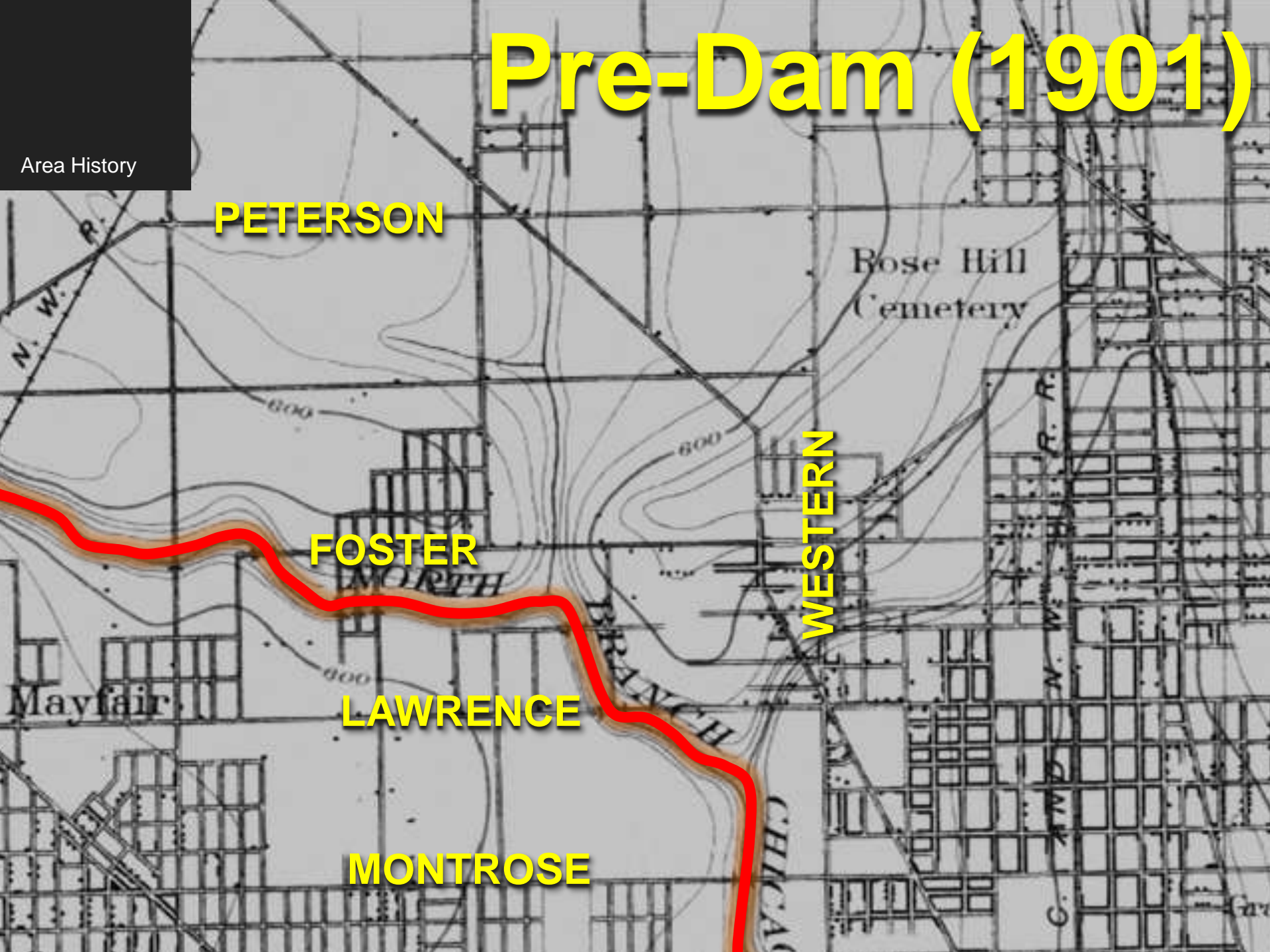
Area History

Area History Timeline



Pre-Dam (1901)

Area History



PETERSON

Rose Hill
Cemetery

FOSTER

WESTERN

LAWRENCE

MONTROSE

Area History

Post-Dam (1929)

PETERSON

1901

FOSTER

1929

LAWRENCE

MONTROSE

WESTERN

North Branch Dam



Installed for Grade Control

Area History

Today (2015)

PETERSON

1901

FOSTER

1929 to
Today

LAWRENCE

MONTROSE

WESTERN

North Branch Dam



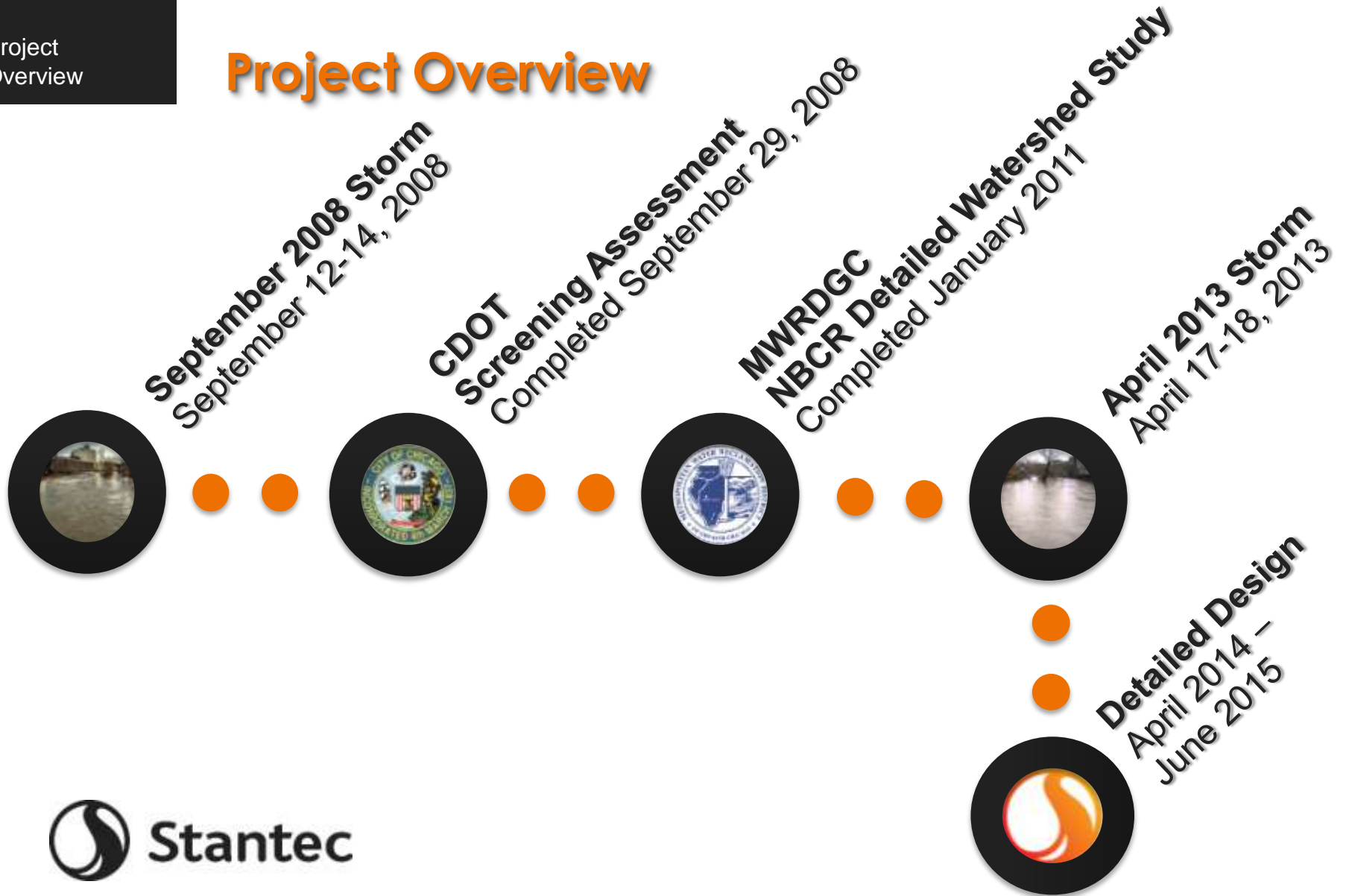


Project Overview

September 2008 Storm – 7.3 Inches (48 hrs)
April 2013 Storm – 5.5 Inches (24 hrs)



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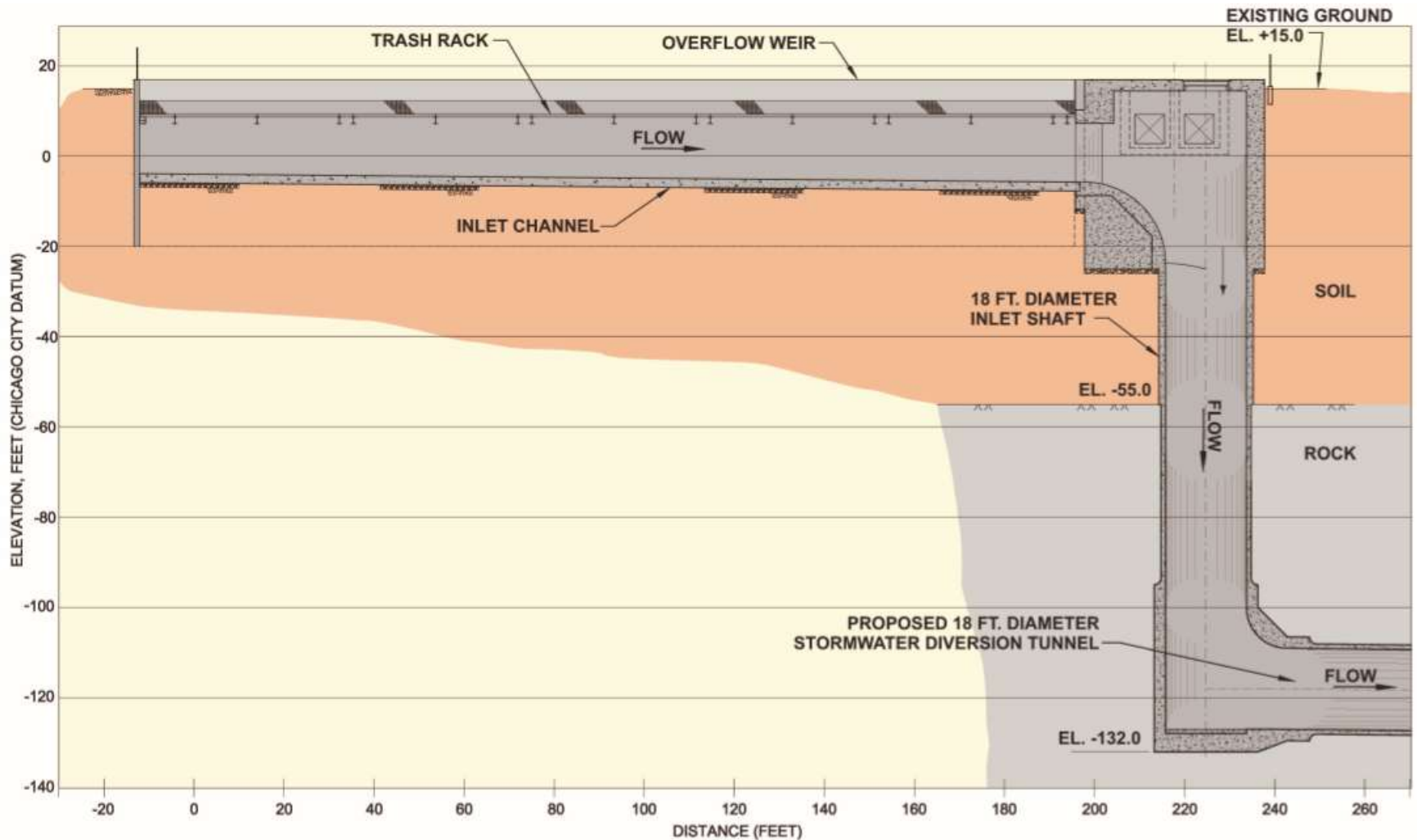
Proposed Project



Inlet Site – Plan View

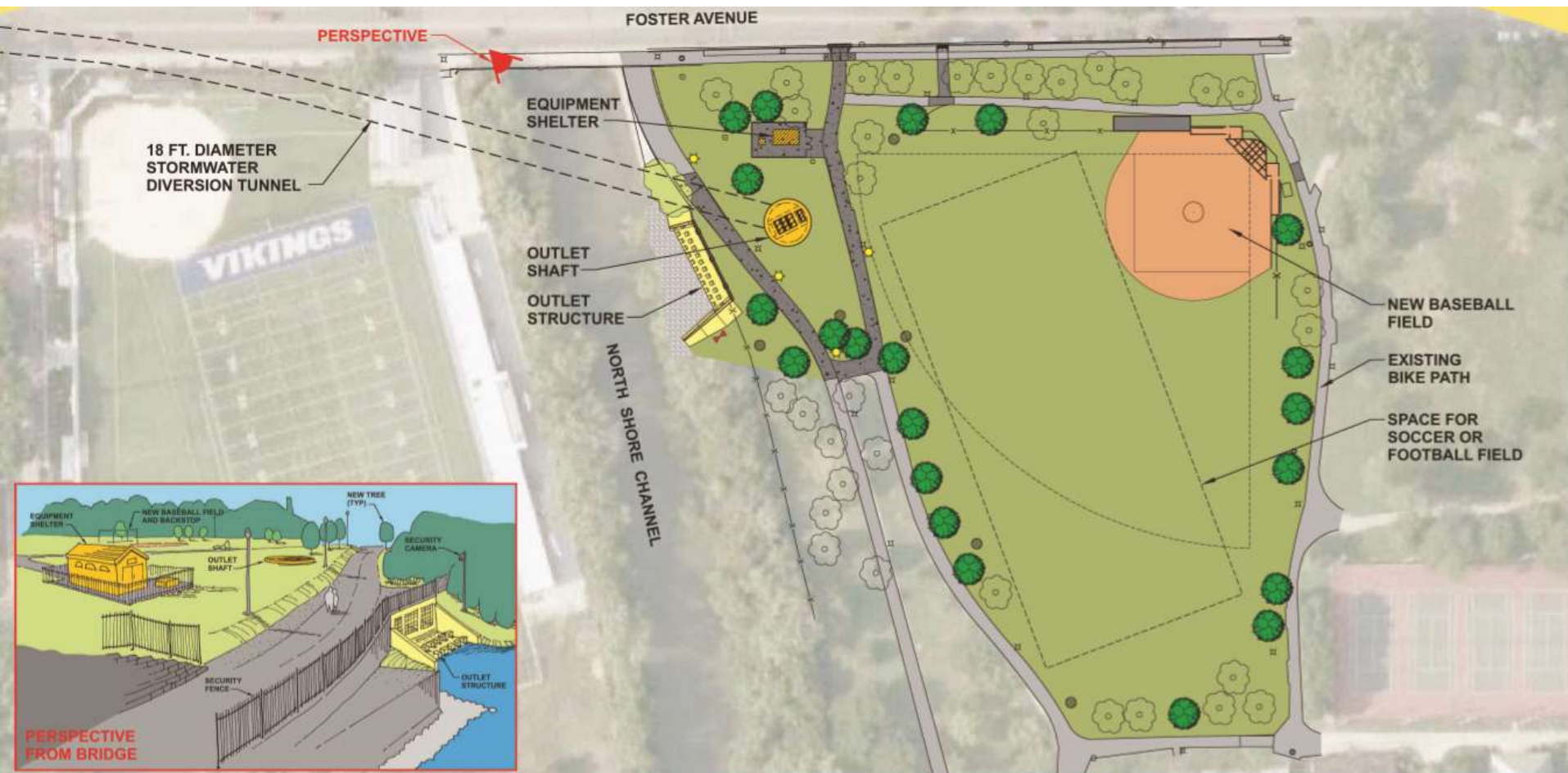


Inlet Structure – Profile View

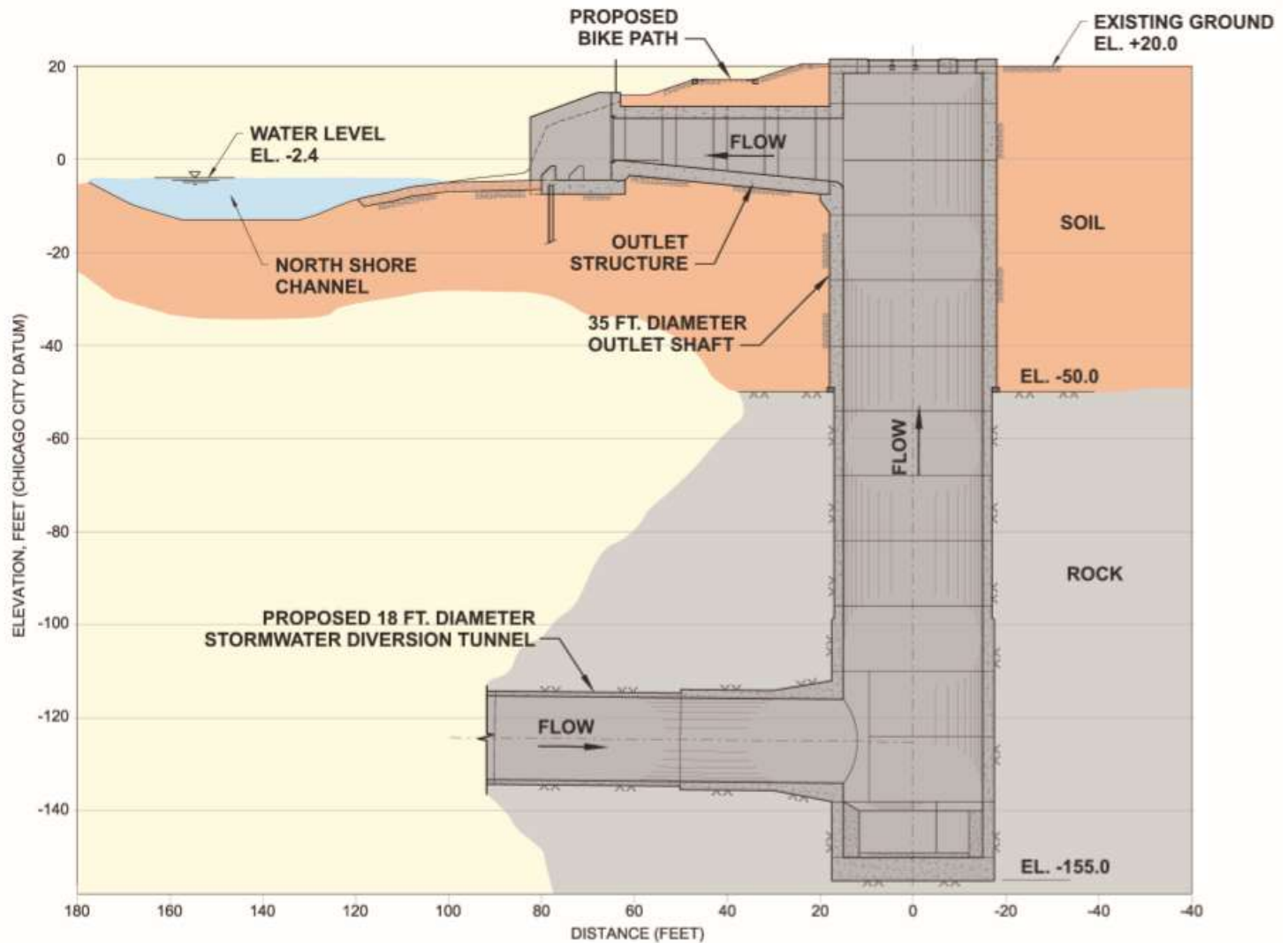


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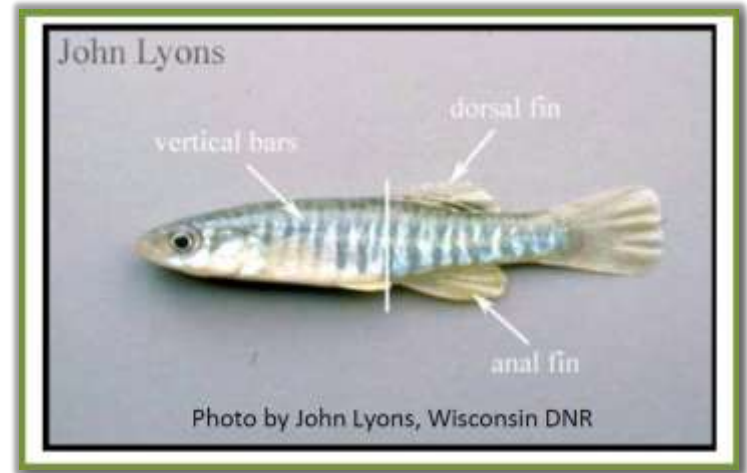
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Permitting and Stakeholder Engagement

- **Permitting Challenges**
 - Fish Entrainment
 - Endangered Fish Species
 - Water Quality Impacts
 - Recreation Impacts
- **Obtained Multiple Permits**
(USACE, IEPA, IDNR, MWRDGC,
City of Chicago DOB & OUC, NCCSWCD, and more....)



Endangered Fish Species - Banded Killifish



- **Stakeholder Engagement Meetings**
- **Public Workshops**



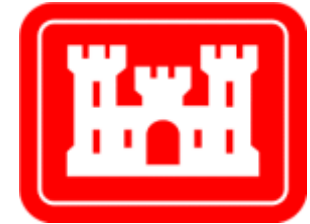
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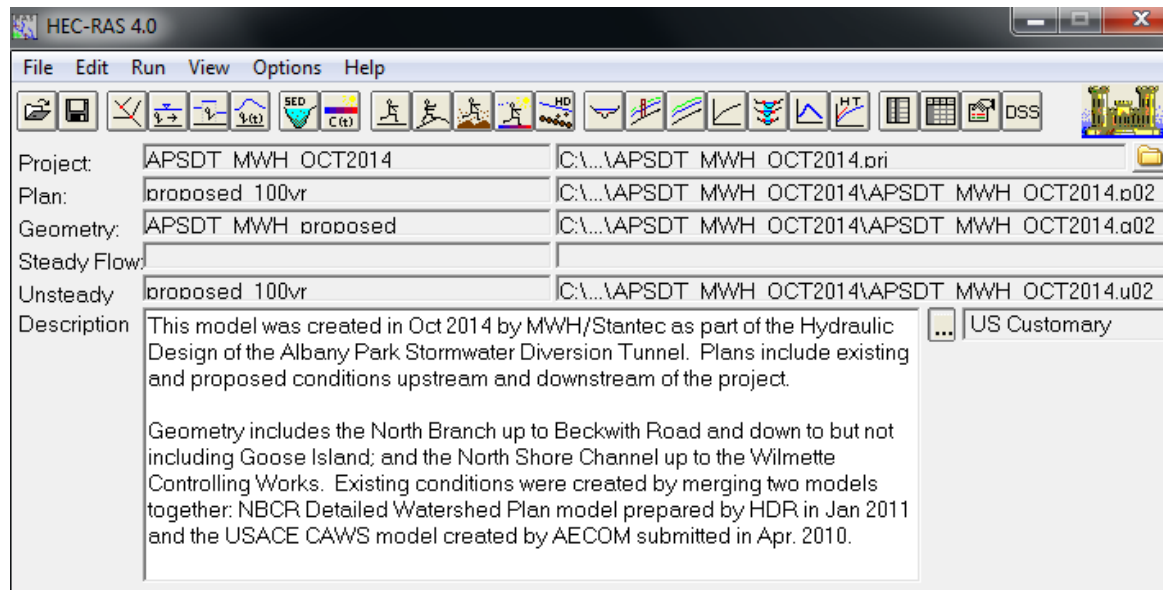


Riverine Modeling (1-D Unsteady)

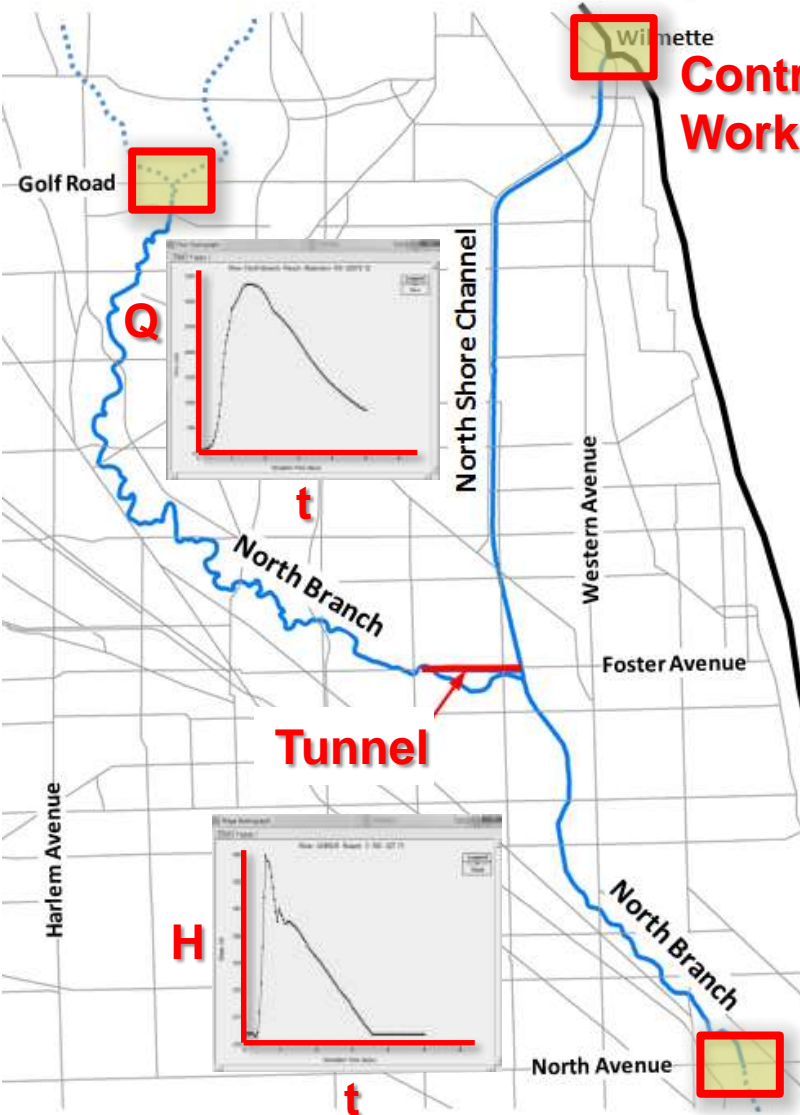
Used HEC-RAS (v4.1) Developed by the USACE
Hydrologic Engineering Center



- Used to :
 - Provide the initial sizing and elevations of the tunnel inlet and outlet structures
 - Assess the impacts the project will have on water levels and flows within the NBCR and NSC



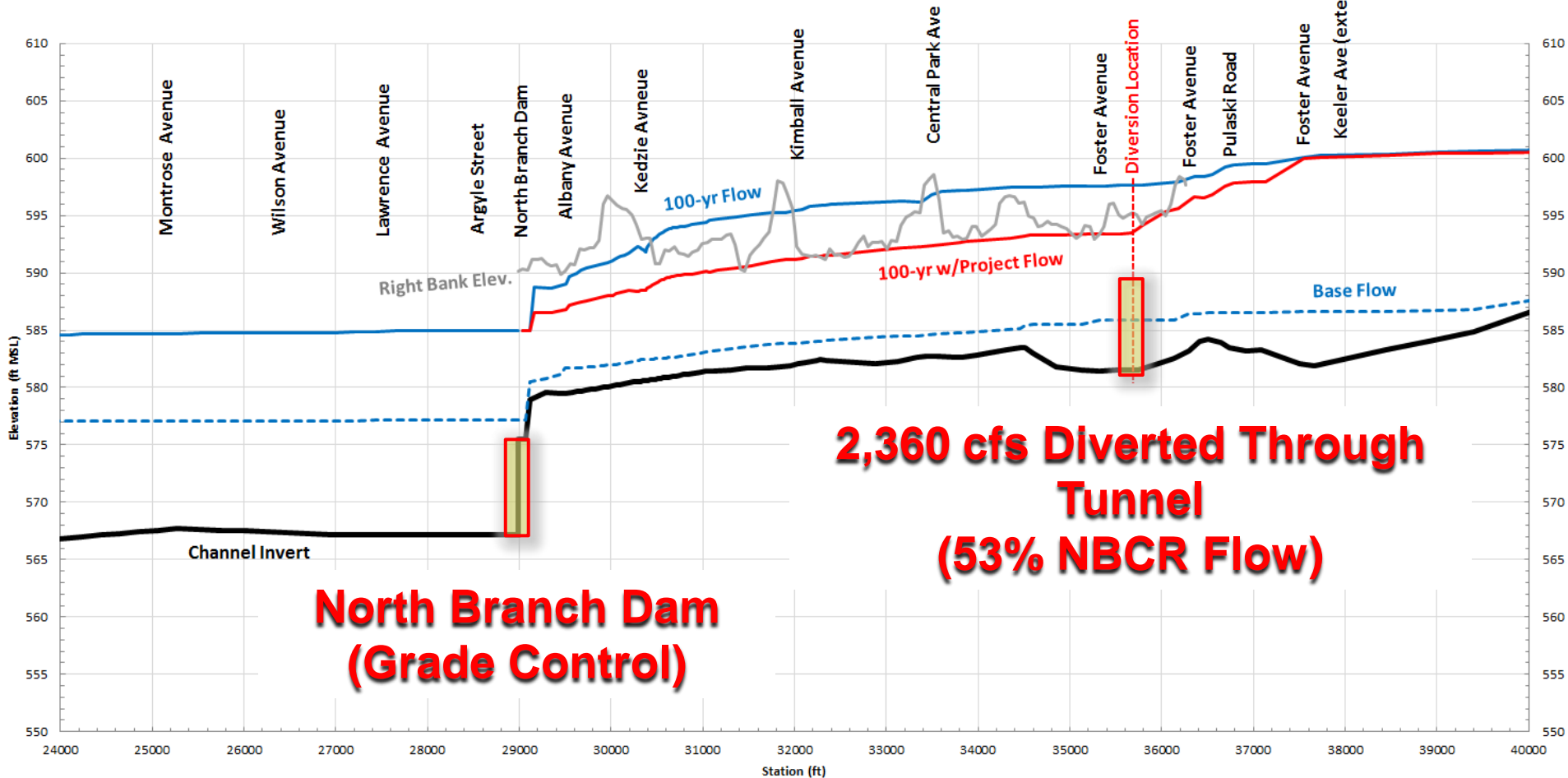
HEC-RAS (1-D Unsteady Flow)



- Model combined two existing HEC-RAS models at the North Branch Dam:
 - **NBCR Portion**
 - Detailed Watershed Plan Model (MWRDGC - 2011)
 - **NSC Portion**
 - The Chicago Area Waterway System Model (USACE - 2010)
- Evaluated the 2-, 10- and 100-yr events
- Flow through the tunnel was modeled as lidded cross sections with fixed weirs and artificial gates at both ends of the diversion

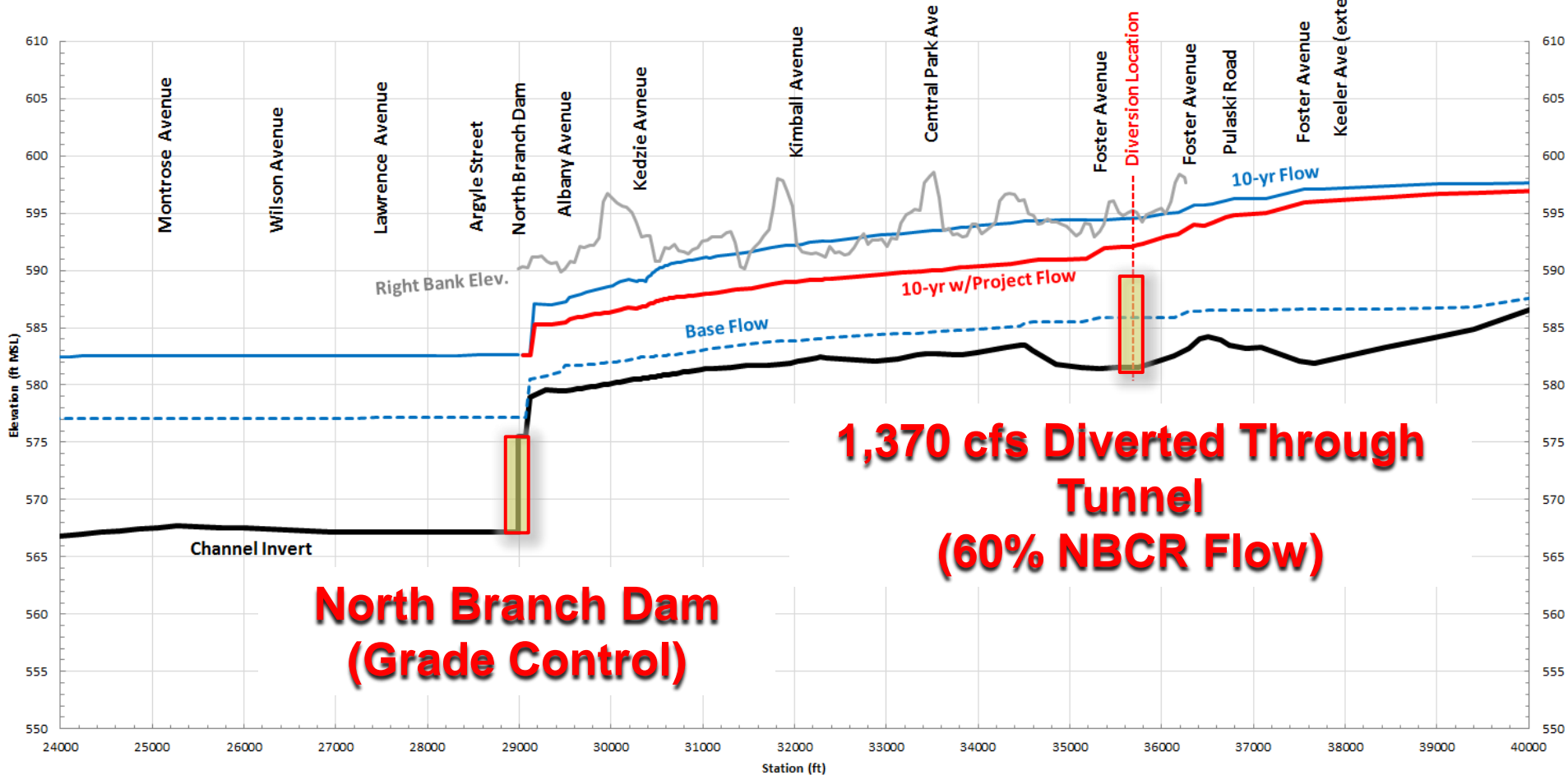
100-yr Water Surface Profiles

NBCR Flow Upstream of Diversion = 4,450 cfs



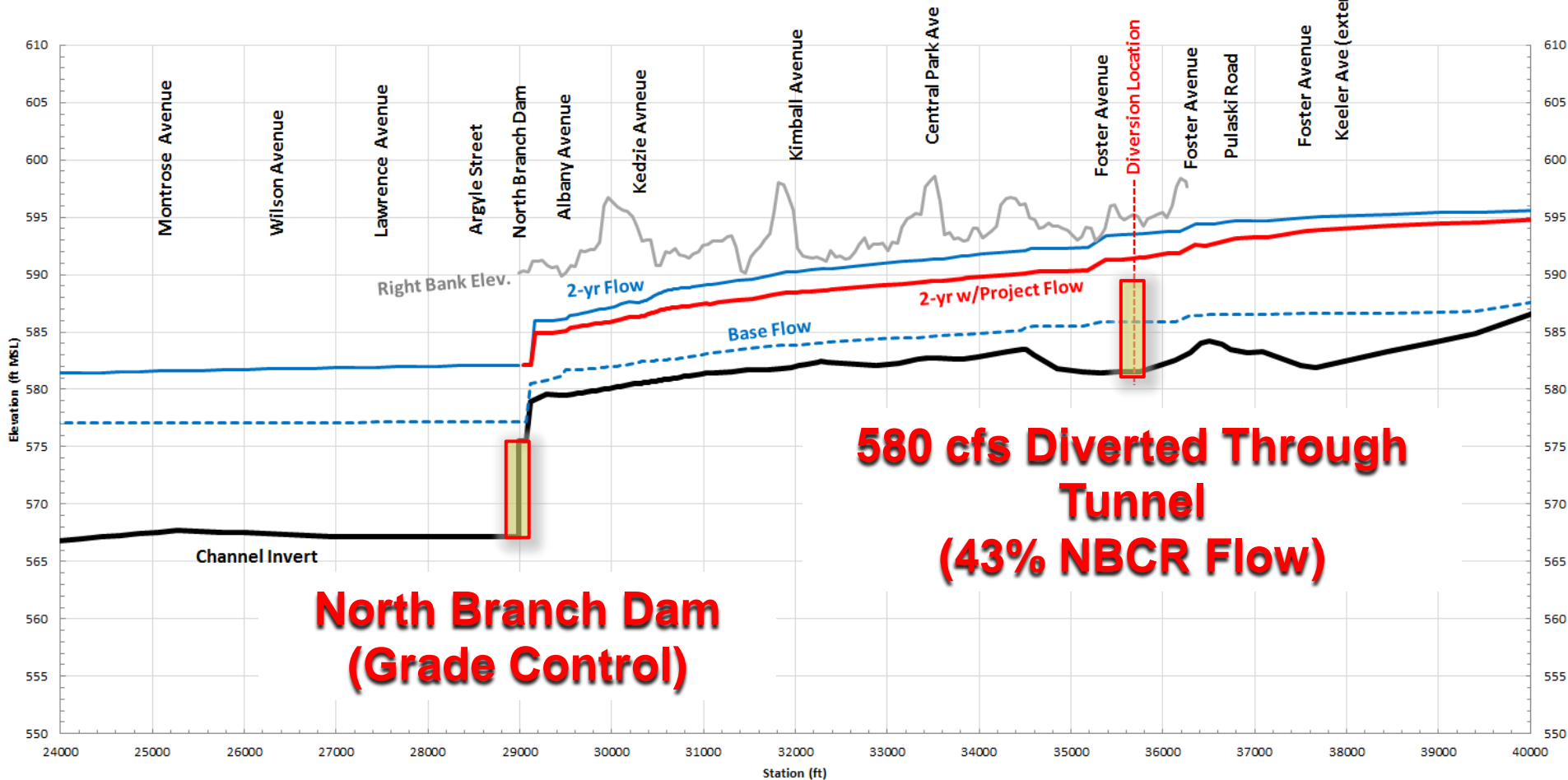
10-yr Water Surface Profiles

NBCR Flow Upstream of Diversion = 2,300 cfs



2-yr Water Surface Profiles

NBCR Flow Upstream of Diversion = 1,360 cfs



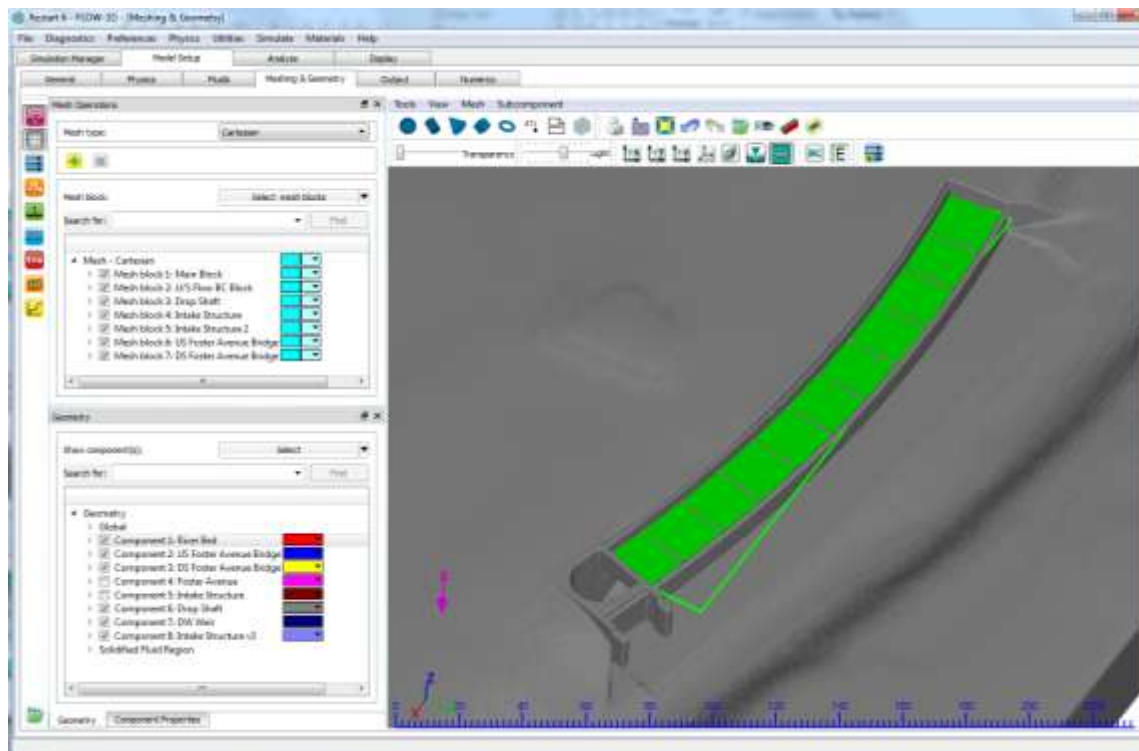
Computational Fluid Dynamics (CFD)

Used Flow-3D (v11) Developed by Flow
Science, Inc.

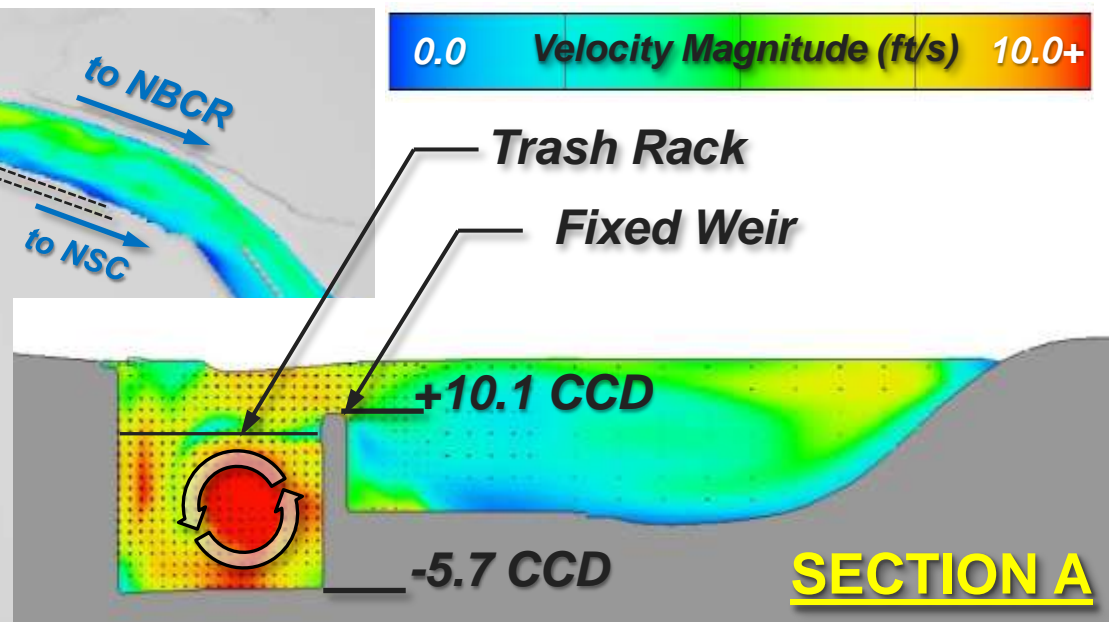
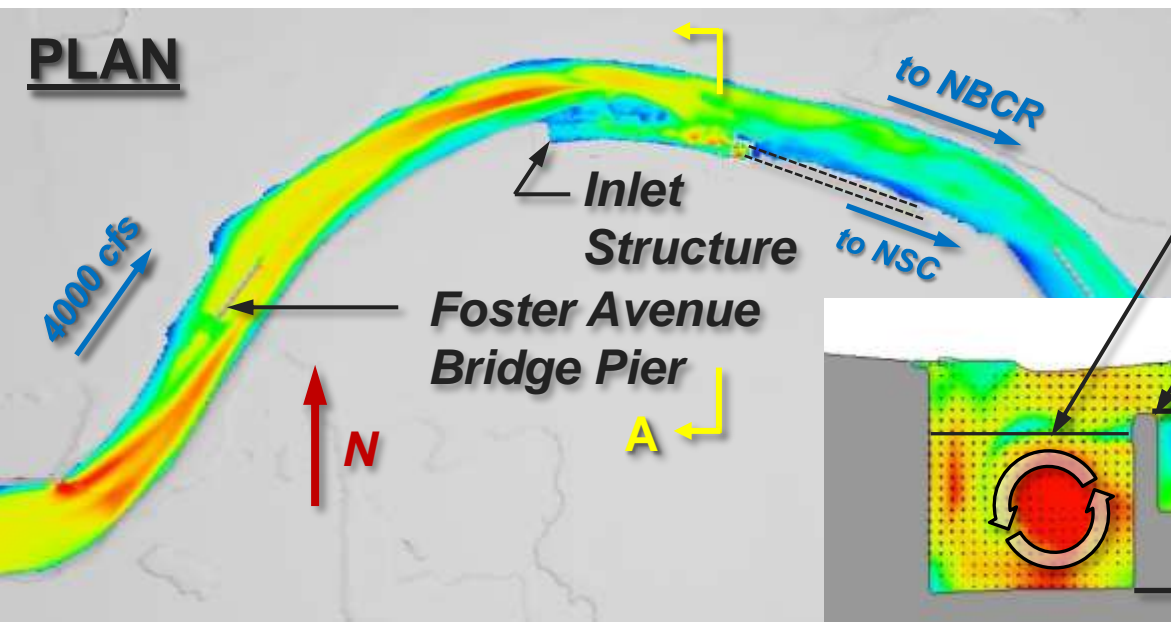
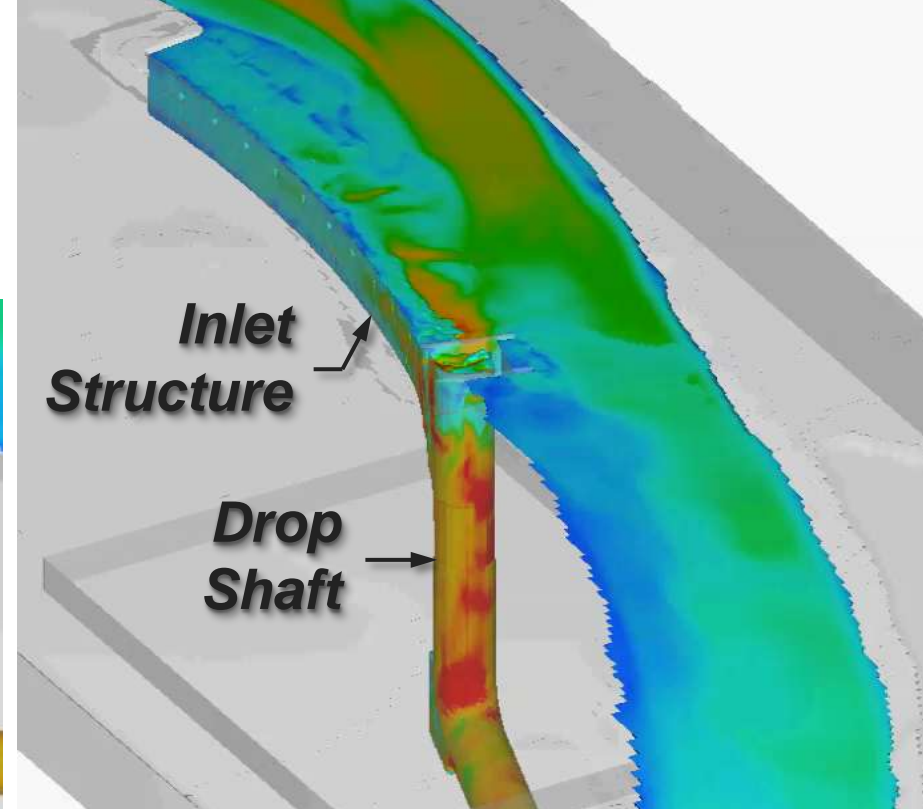
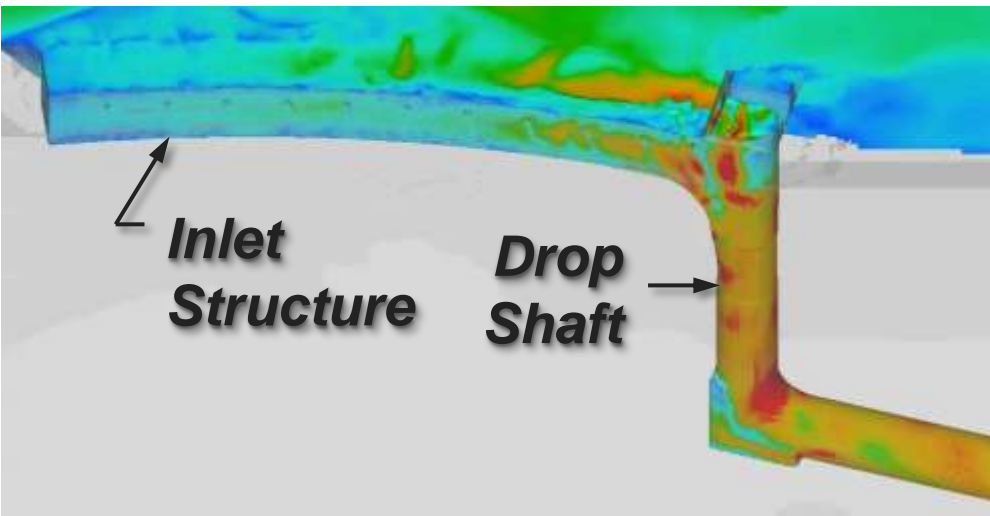


Used to assess:

- The head loss through the inlet and outlet structures
- Discharge capacities of both structures
- The approach conditions to the inlet structure (Fish Entrainment)
- The departure conditions from the outlet structure (Scour Protection)



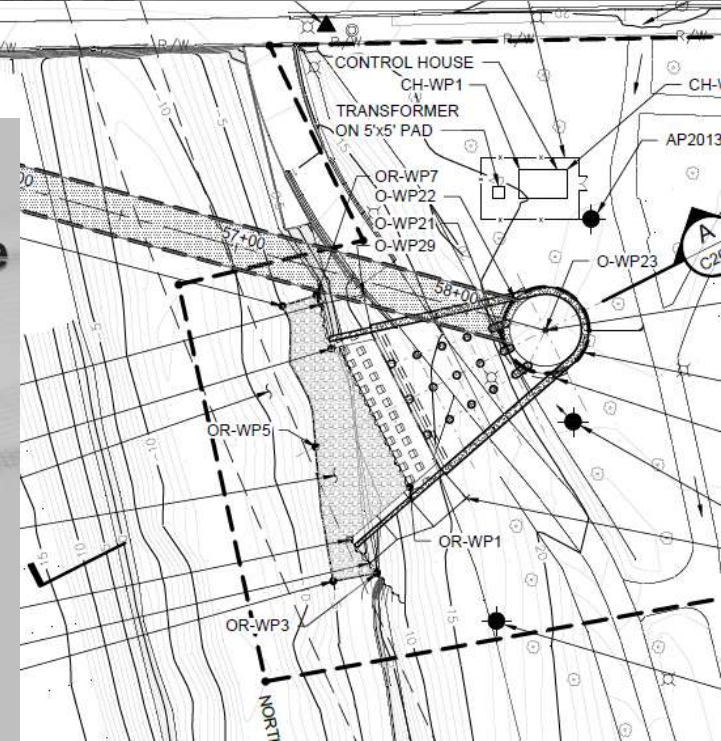
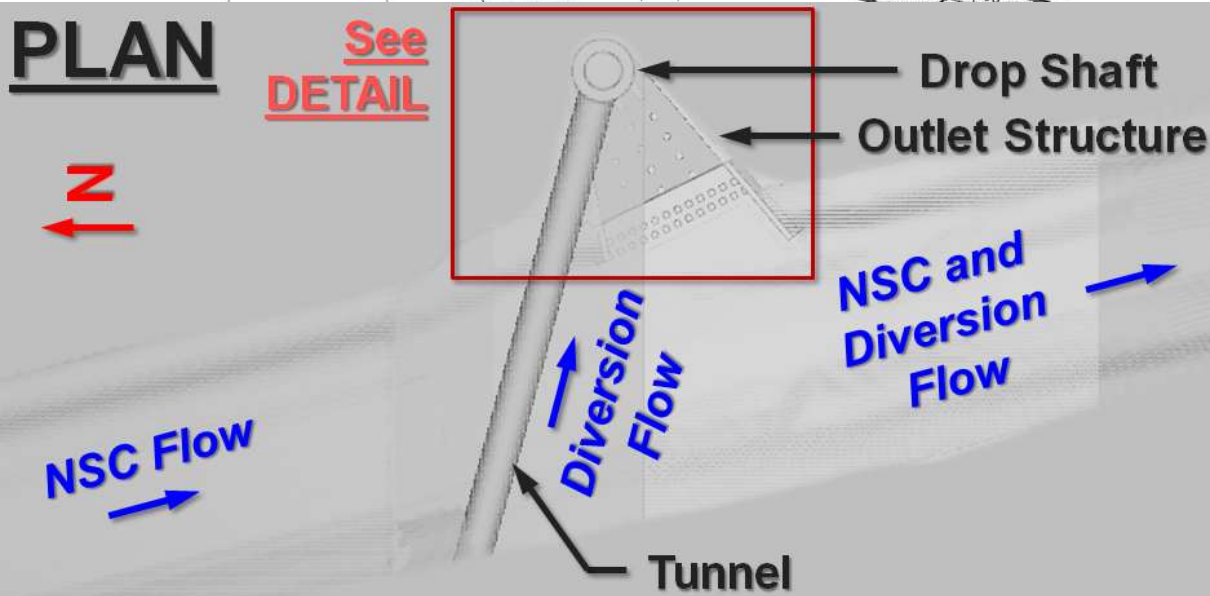
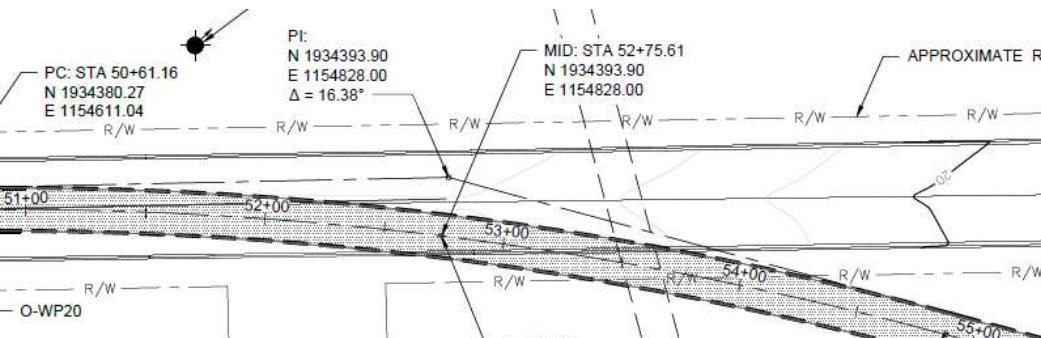
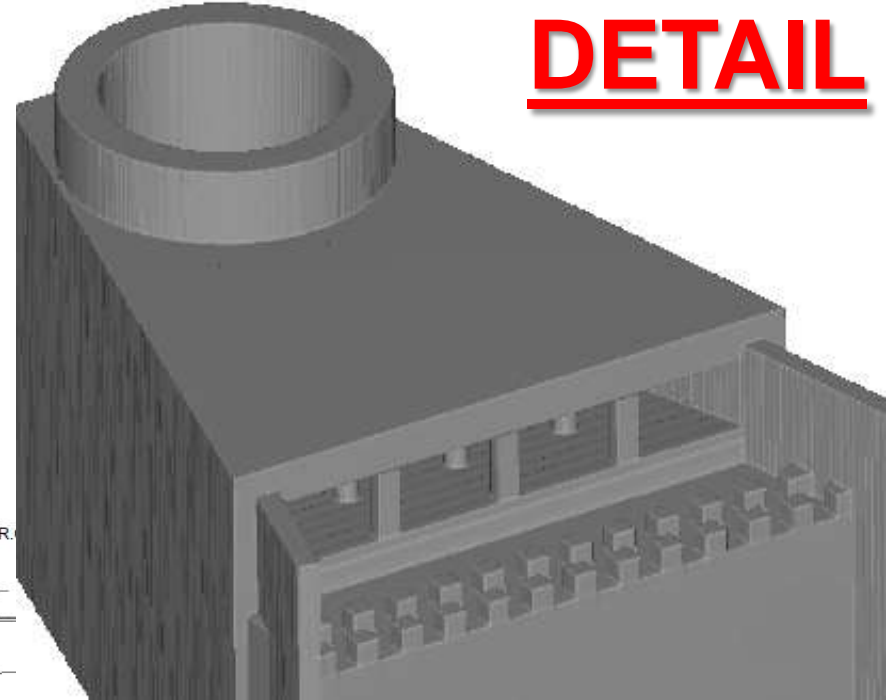
Inlet Structure CFD Results – Velocities



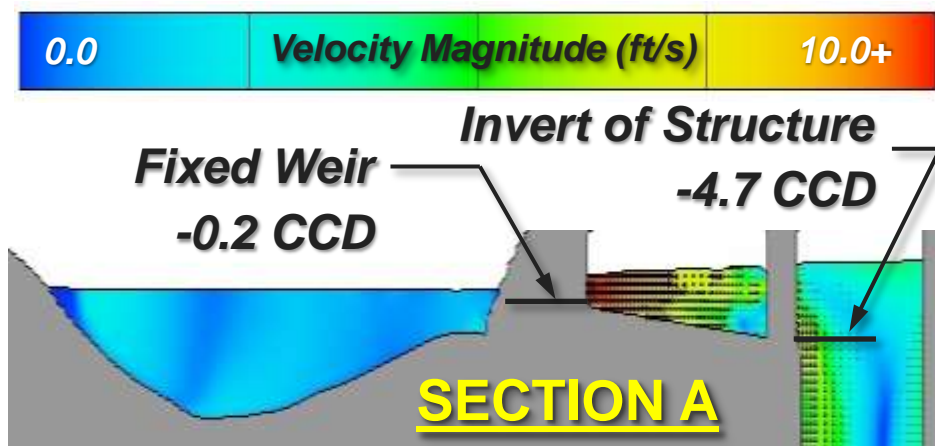
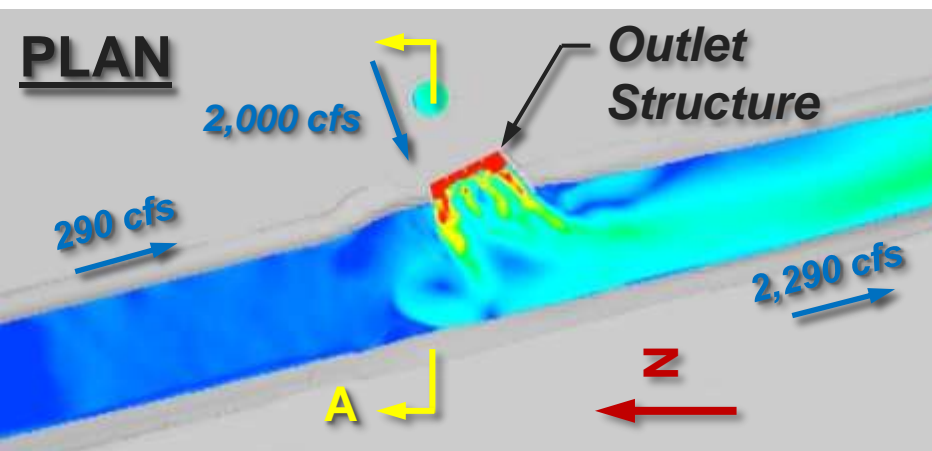
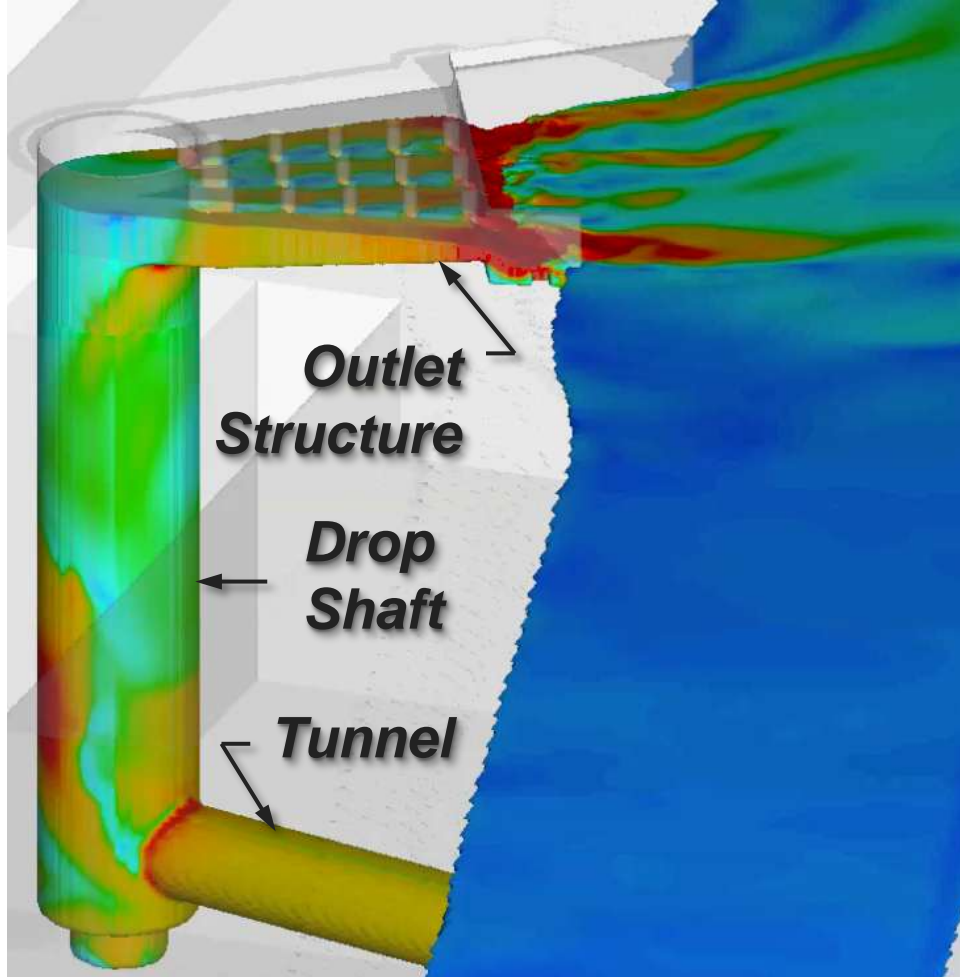
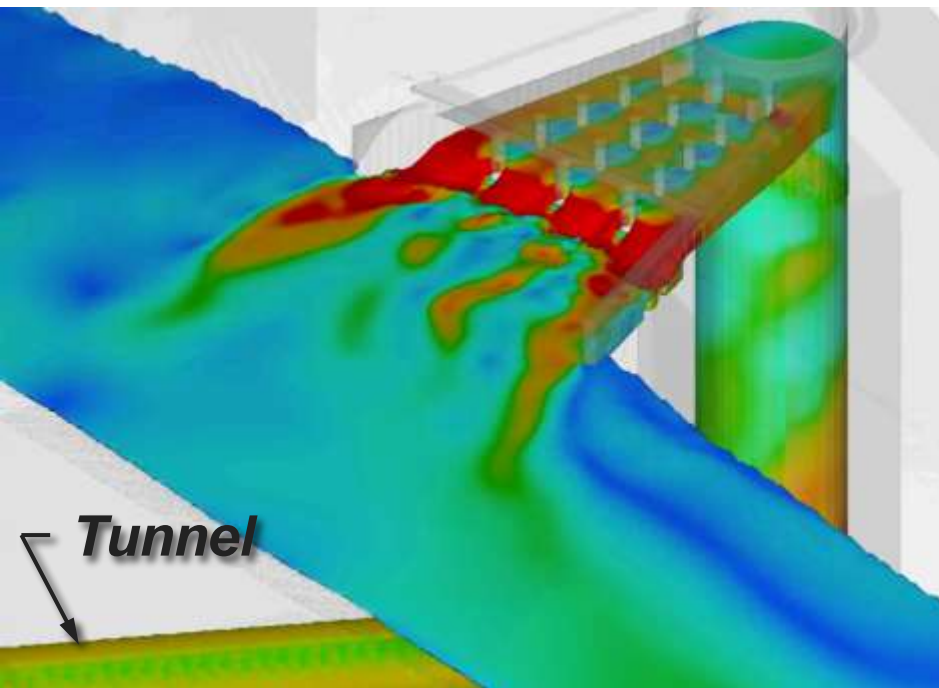
Hydraulic
Modeling

Outlet Structure CFD Model

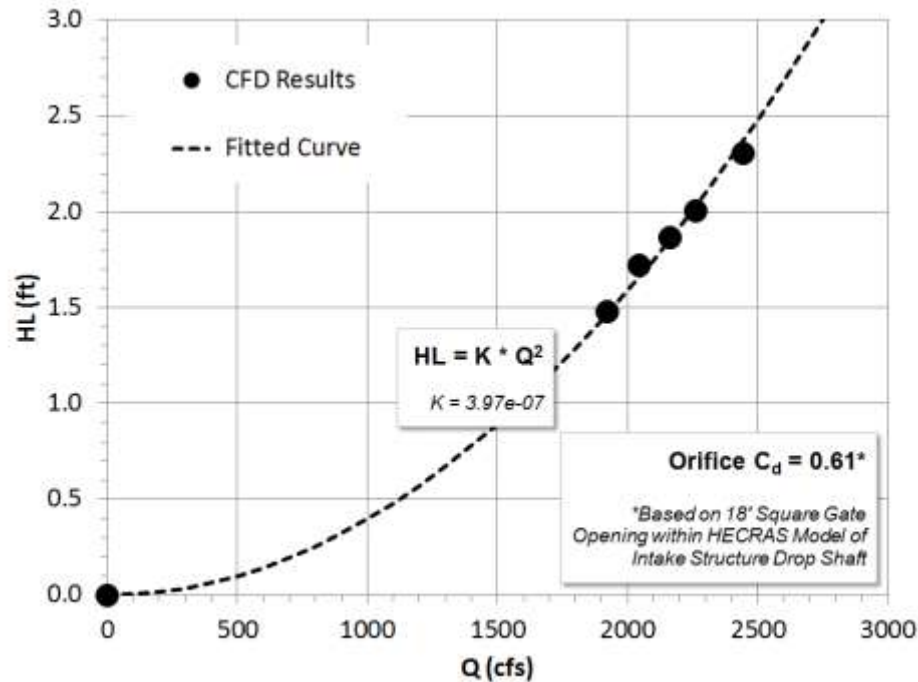
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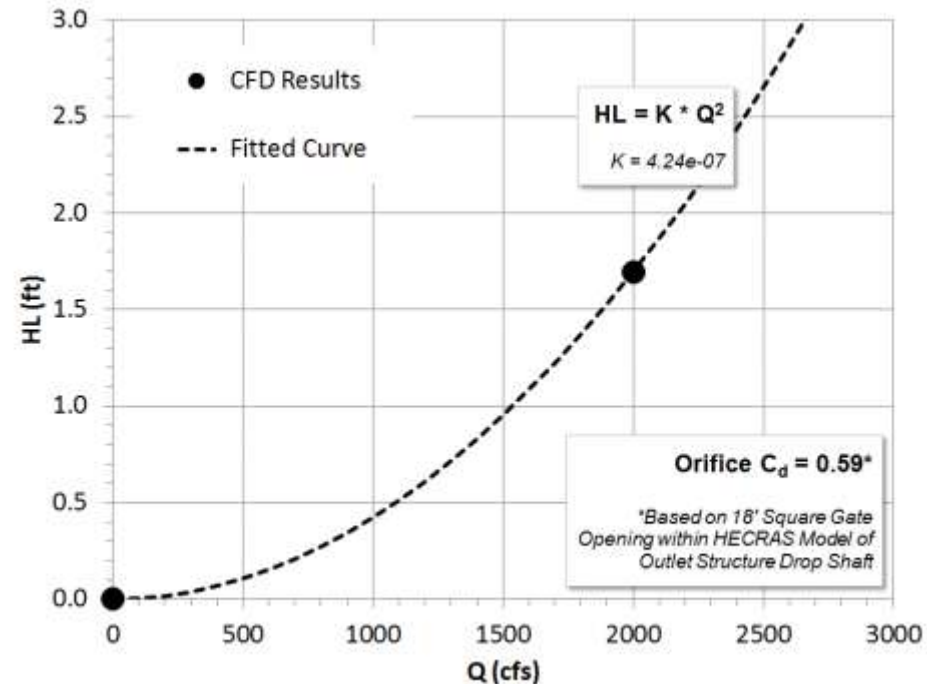


Inlet and Outlet Structure CFD Results Head Loss Estimates



Inlet Structure

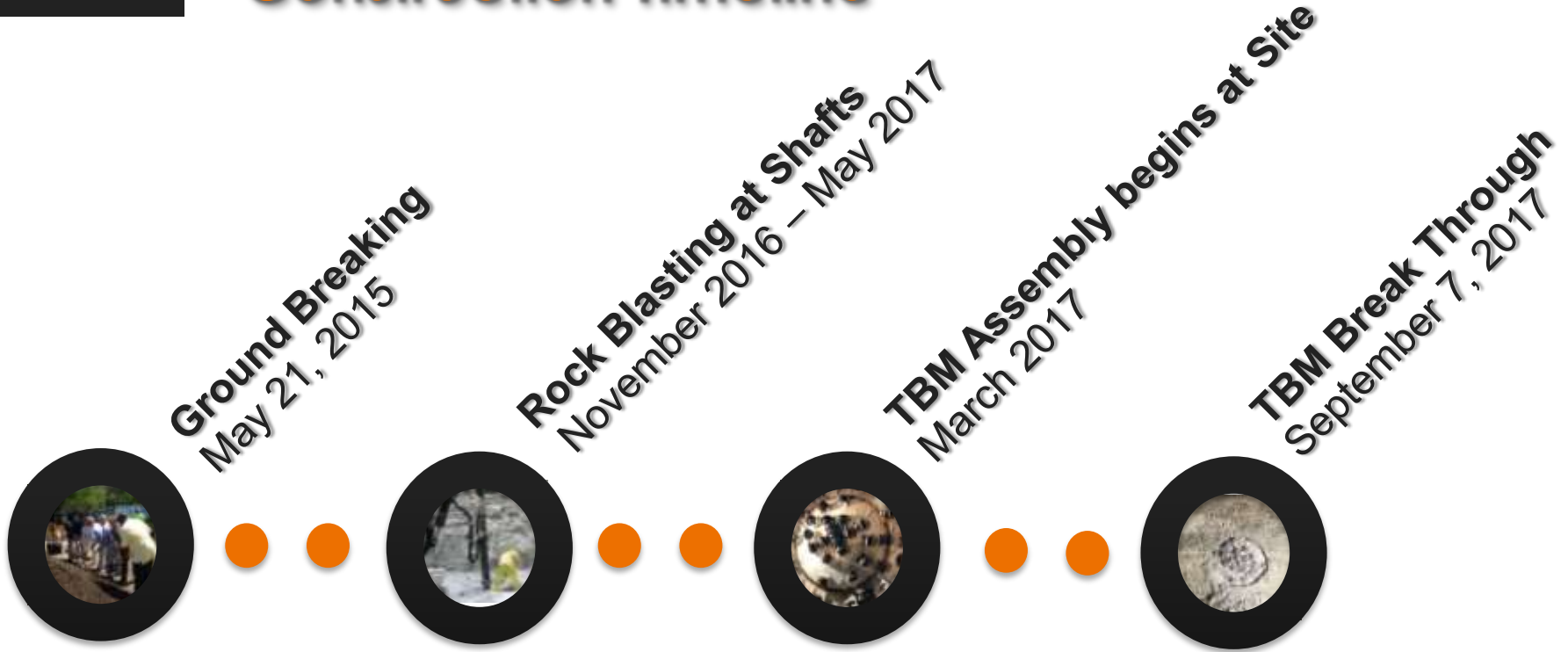
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Construction

Construction Timeline

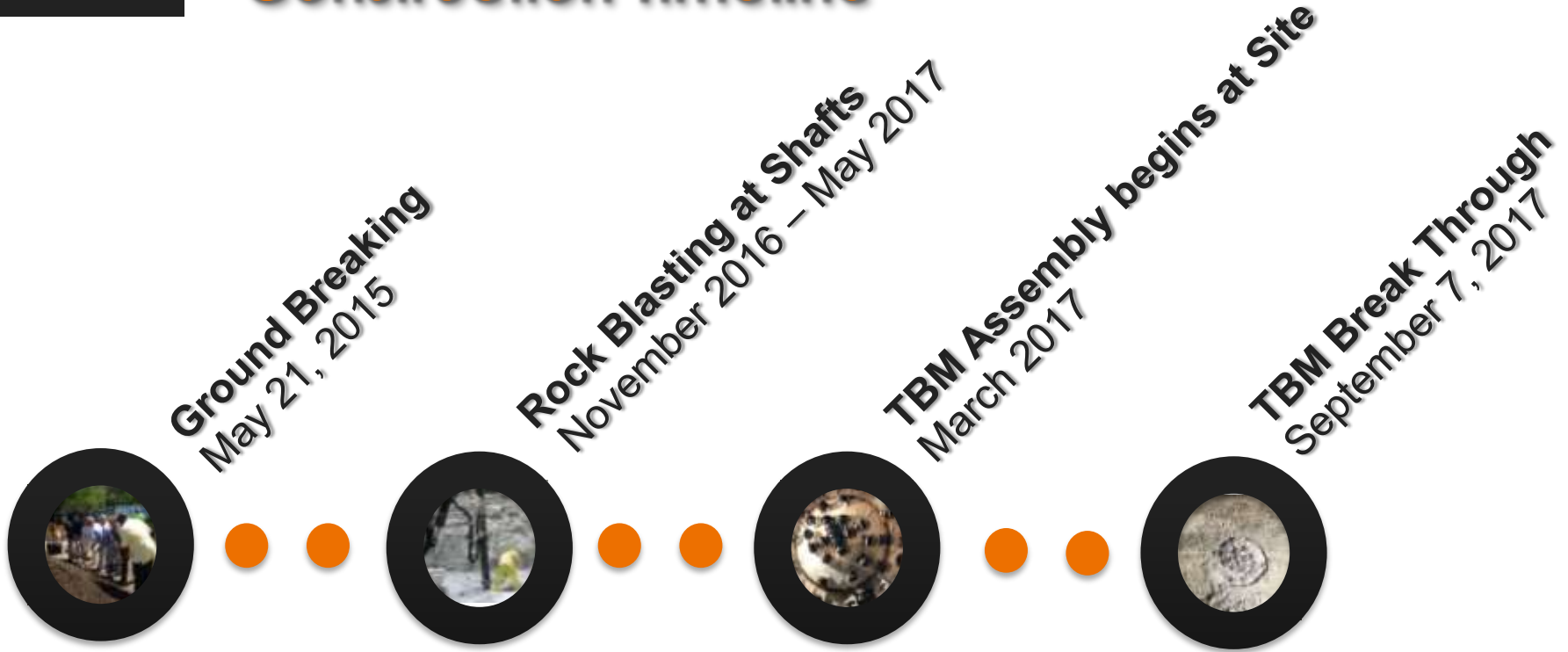


Construction

Ground Breaking – May 21, 2015



Construction Timeline



Start of Rock Blasting at Outlet – November 2016

Construction



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Shaft to Bottom

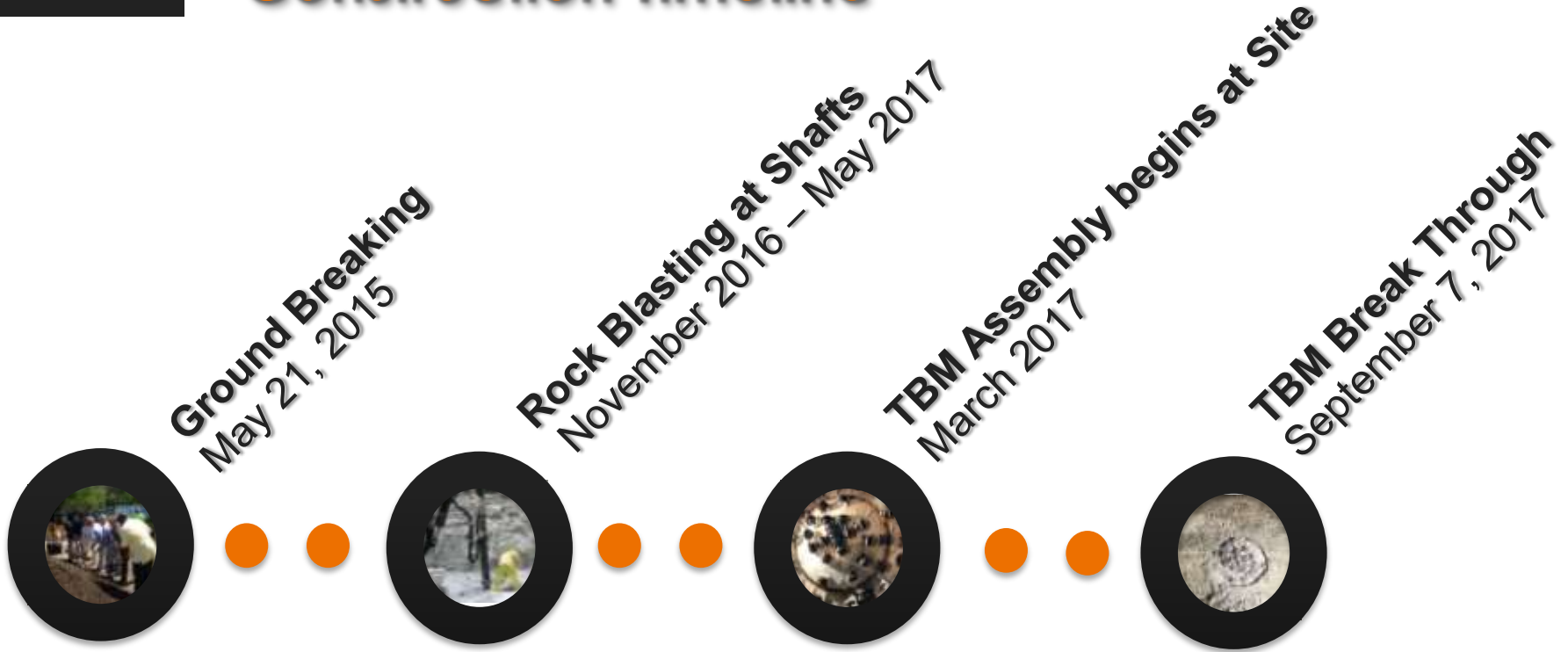


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Tunnel Blasting



Construction Timeline





TBM Assembly Begins at Site

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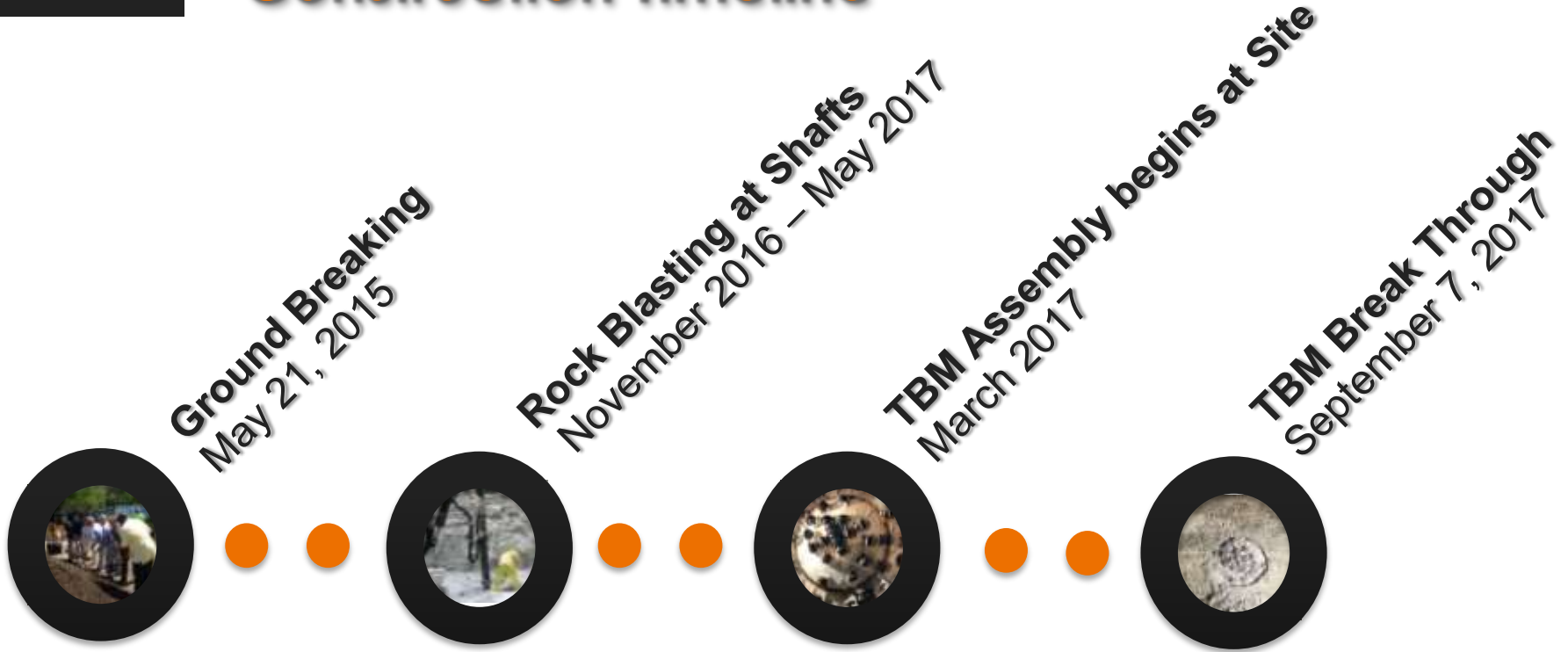


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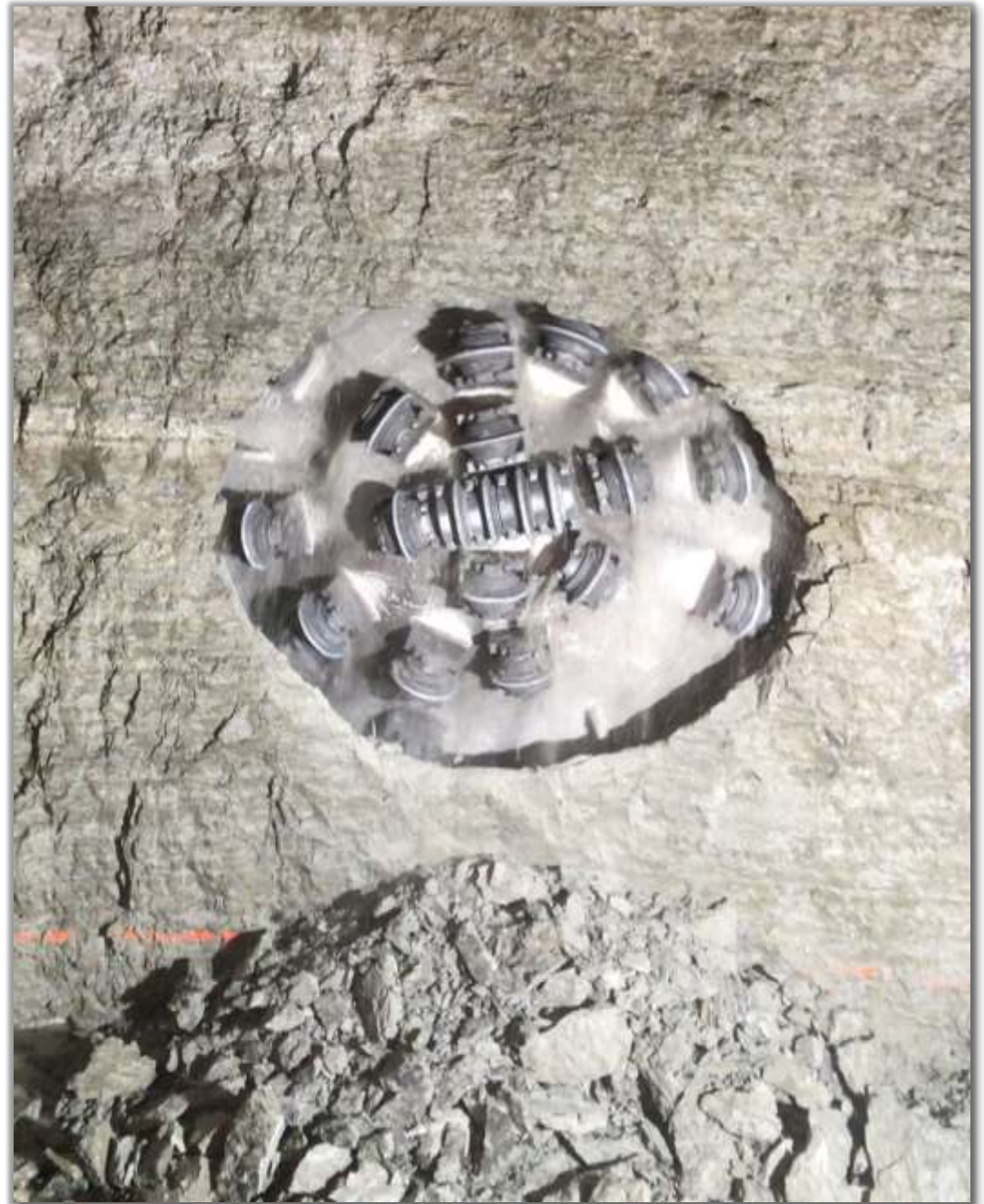


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TBM Break Through

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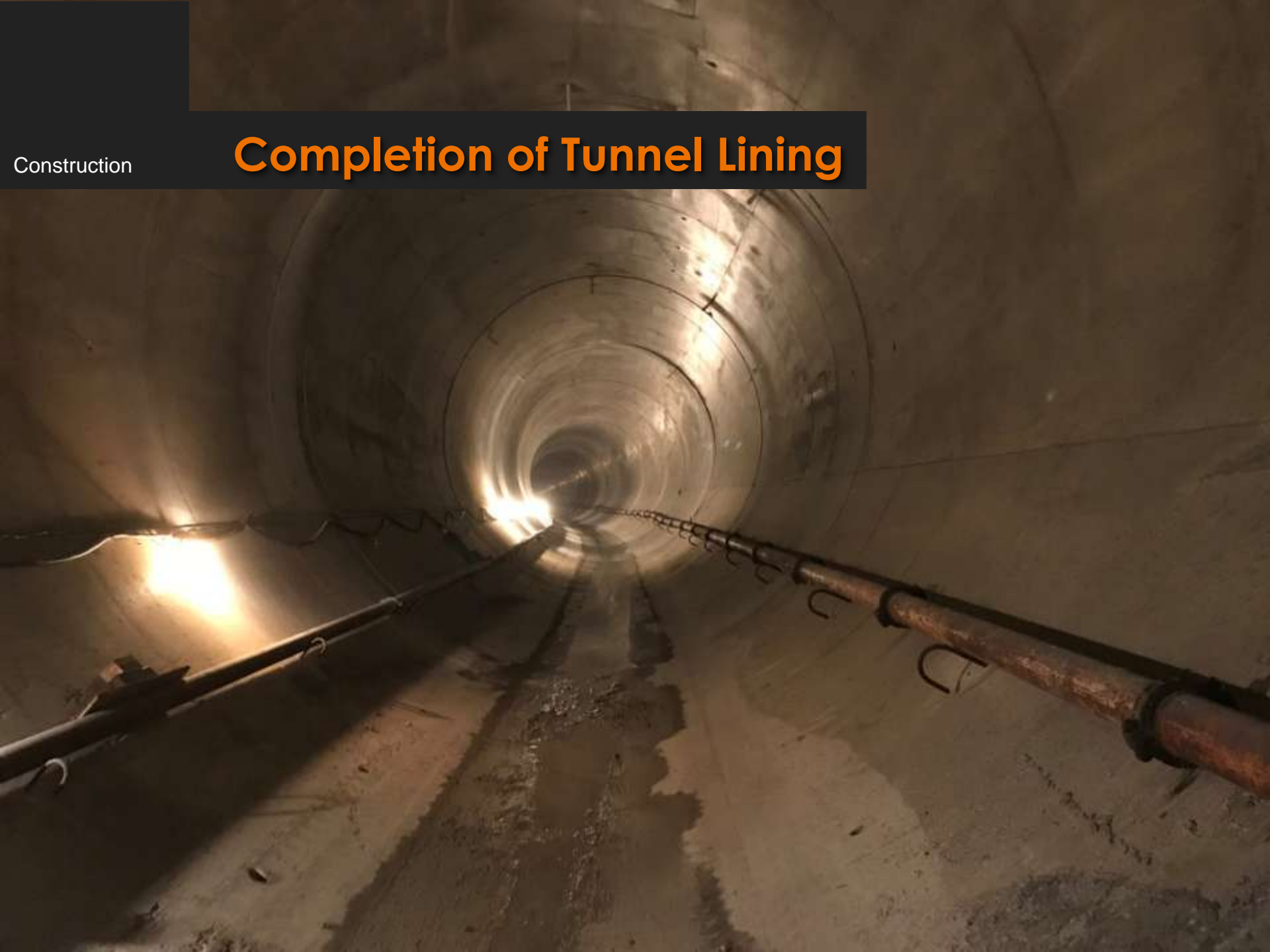


Construction Timeline



Construction

Completion of Tunnel Lining



Construction Timeline





Media Coverage

Albany Park Tunnel in the News...

- **WEF Stormwater Institute**
Worldwater Stormwater Management Magazine Autumn 2016 Edition
- **Online News Media**
Chicago Tribune, Chicago Suntimes, DNAInfo
- **Television Coverage**
CBS, ABC





**Metropolitan Water
Reclamation District
of Greater Chicago**

Project Designer:

Stantec Consulting Services, Inc.

Construction Management Team:

WSP, USA

Globetrotters Engineering Corporation

Contractor:

Kenny Construction

Questions?

