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Seattle District

Public Notice of Application for Permit

US Army Corps of Engineers
Regulatory Branch
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ATTN: Colleen Anderson,
Project Manager

Public Notice Date: May 12, 2025
Expiration Date: May 19, 2025

Reference No.: NWS-2025-259
Name: Northwest Pipeline, LLC
(Chehalis to Washougal Anomaly
Digs Pipeline Repair)

Interested parties are hereby notified that the following request associated with Northwest Pipeline, LLC has been submitted for a Department of the Army (DA) under the provisions of Section 10 of the Rivers and Harbors Act of 1899, and Section 404 of the Clean Water Act, as amended. In Executive Order (EO) 14156 the President declared a national emergency under the National Emergencies Act (50 U.S.C. 1621) based upon the finding that the United States' insufficient energy production, transportation, refining, and generation constitutes an unusual and extraordinary threat to our Nation's economy, national security, and foreign policy. The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps), Seattle District has found that this permit request meets the terms of EO 14156 and is therefore subject to emergency permitting procedures to address an energy supply situation which would result in an unacceptable hazard to life, a significant loss of property, or an immediate, unforeseen, and significant economic hardship if corrective action requiring a permit is not undertaken within a time period less than the normal time needed to process the application under standard procedures. The Seattle District will implement the special processing procedures approved by Northwestern Division in accordance with 33 CFR § 325.2(e)(4), work described below and shown on the enclosed drawings dated March 18, 2025.

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LOCATION: In Little Washougal River near Camas, Clark County, Washington. Lat. 45.6369003
Long: -122.3748405

WORK: The applicant proposed to maintain an existing 30-inch Ignacio-Sumas Loop natural gas pipeline by reapplying the pipe coating and, if necessary, adding a reinforcing sleeve or clamp over the existing pipe located waterward of the Ordinary High-Water Mark (OHWM).

Excavate 30 cubic yards of fill along 25 linear feet of the stream, including a temporary 14-foot by 16-foot trench along the creek with a backhoe or stripping shoe exposing the pipeline for inspection and repair.

Excavate three boulders (20 cubic yards) along 25 linear feet of streambank and reposition the three boulders along 75 linear feet downstream of the project area.

After maintenance of the pipeline, the trench would be backfilled and compacted with 30 cubic yards over 75 linear feet of native topsoil and 20 cubic yards of rounded cobble (trench only).

Install a temporary 117 cubic yard cofferdam along 100 linear feet of the stream to isolate the pipeline and de-watering project area. A single flume pipe would be used to temporarily convey the stream flow across the construction area, thereby reducing the introduction of sediments into the water column during trenching and backfilling. The coffer dam on the upstream side of the Project Area would be used to support and seal the flume pipe and isolate the in-water work area by directing stream flow into the flume pipe and over the construction area. The downstream structure isolates the work area and contains turbid water, which may occur during excavation and backfilling of the trench.

The upper layers of the topsoil/riverbed material would be segregated and stored separately from the lower layers of the trench (spoil). Topsoil and trench spoil storage would be located away from the construction equipment and activity in an upland area on the west side of the river. Upland spoil storage would be located at least 50 feet away from OHWM, would be surrounded by erosion controls (e.g., silt fencing and straw wattles), and covered if left for more than two weeks. Any unsuitable material for backfilling would be disposed of in an approved off-site upland facility.

PURPOSE: The applicant stated purpose as an interstate natural gas pipeline carrier, Northwest is required by U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) Pipeline and Hazardous Materials Safety Administration (PHMSA) regulations to perform integrity inspections to ensure the safety, integrity, and maintenance of the pipeline.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION: Copies of this public notice which have been mailed or otherwise physically distributed feature project drawings in black and white. The electronic version features those drawings in color, which we think more accurately communicates the scope of project impacts. To access the electronic version of this public notice, go to the Seattle District's web page at <http://www.nws.usace.army.mil/> and under the heading Open Public

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Comment Periods select Regulatory Public Notices. Recently issued public notices are listed in chronological order of the date of issuance. Select and view the listing for this project.

The location of the ordinary high water mark shown on the project drawings have not yet been verified by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps). If the Corps determines the boundaries of the wetland/waters are substantially inaccurate a new public notice may be published.

MITIGATION: The applicant proposed the temporary upland and riparian vegetation impacts would be restored to pre-project conditions immediately following in-water work by seeding disturbed soils with a native upland seed mix to 1.54 acres.

ENDANGERED SPECIES: The Endangered Species Act (ESA) requires federal agencies to consult with the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and/or U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) pursuant to Section 7 of the ESA on all actions that may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or any designated critical habitat. If the Corps determines the project may affect a species listed (or proposed for listing) under the ESA as threatened or endangered or any designated critical habitat the Corps would consult with NMFS and USFWS in accordance with the special processing procedures approved by Northwestern Division, under 50 CFR Part 402.05 in accordance with Section 7 of the Endangered Species Act.

ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT: If the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) determines that the proposed action may adversely affect EFH for federally managed fisheries in Washington waters the Corps will coordinate with NMFS in accordance with the special processing procedures approved by Northwestern Division.

CULTURAL RESOURCES: If the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (Corps) determines that the proposed action requires Section 106 consultation under the National Historic Preservation Act. The Corps would initiate Section 106 consultation in accordance with the special processing procedures approved by Northwestern Division, under 36 CFR Part 800.12 in accordance with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

EVALUATION: This application will be reviewed in accordance with 33 CFR Parts 320-332 and the decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impacts, including cumulative impacts, of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefits, which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposal, must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered, including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, floodplain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership, and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. The Washington Department of Ecology has or will evaluate the proposed project in accordance with Section 401 of the Clean Water Act.

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The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is soliciting comments from the public; Native American Nations or tribal governments; Federal, State, and local agencies and officials; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this activity.

Any comments received will be considered by the Corps to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for the work. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the need for a public hearing and to determine the overall public interest of the activity.

The applicant has not yet identified the source of the fill material. Should a permit be issued, the Corps will evaluate the fill material source prior to the start of construction.

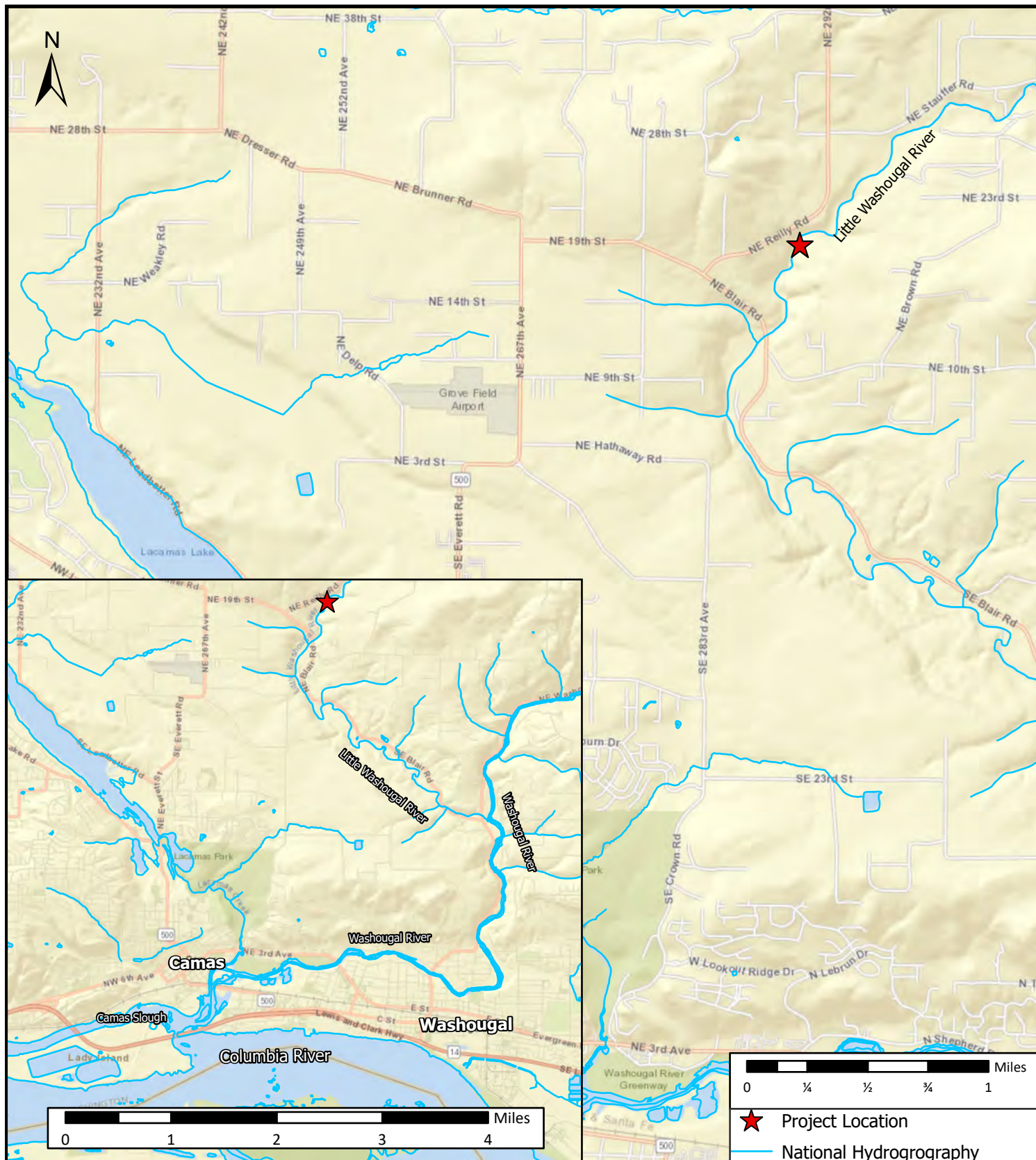
COMMENT AND REVIEW PERIOD: Conventional mail or e-mail comments on this public notice will be accepted and made part of the record and will be considered in determining whether authorizing the work would not be contrary to the public interest. In order to be accepted, e-mail comments must originate from the author's e-mail account and must include on the subject line of the e-mail message the permit applicant's name and reference number as shown below. All e-mail comments should be sent to colleen.c.anderson@usace.army.mil. Either conventional mail or e-mail comments must include the permit applicant's name and reference number, as shown below, and the commenter's name, address, and phone number. All comments received will become part of the administrative record and are subject to public release under the Freedom of Information Act including any personally identifiable information such as names, phone numbers, and addresses. All comments whether conventional mail or e-mail must reach this office, no later than the expiration date of this public notice to ensure consideration.

You may also now submit project specific comments to the Corps through the new Regulatory Request System (RRS) through this link: <https://rrs.usace.army.mil/rrs> ; Click Public Notices and filter to Washington State to see all current Seattle District Public Notices, including this notice. You may submit your comments directly through this portal.

Conventional mail comments should be sent to:
U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Regulatory Branch,
Attention: Colleen Anderson, 4735 E. Marginal Way S,
Bldg 1202, Seattle, Washington, 98134-2388.

To ensure proper consideration of all comments, responders must include the following name and reference number in the text of their comments: Northwest Pipeline, LLC (Chehalis to Washougal Anomaly Digs Pipeline Repair); NWS-2025-259.

Encl: Figures (3 pages)



REFERENCE #: TBD

APPLICANT: Northwest Pipeline LLC (Northwest),
a Williams Company

ADJACENT PROPERTY OWNERS:
Lawrence and Mary Haunreiter

Figure 1. Vicinity Map

LOCATION: Unincorporated Clark County

LAT/LONG: 45.6369003, -122.3748405

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PROPOSED PROJECT: Chehalis to Washougal
Anomaly Digs (Little Washougal)

NEAR: Washougal
COUNTY: Clark
STATE: WA

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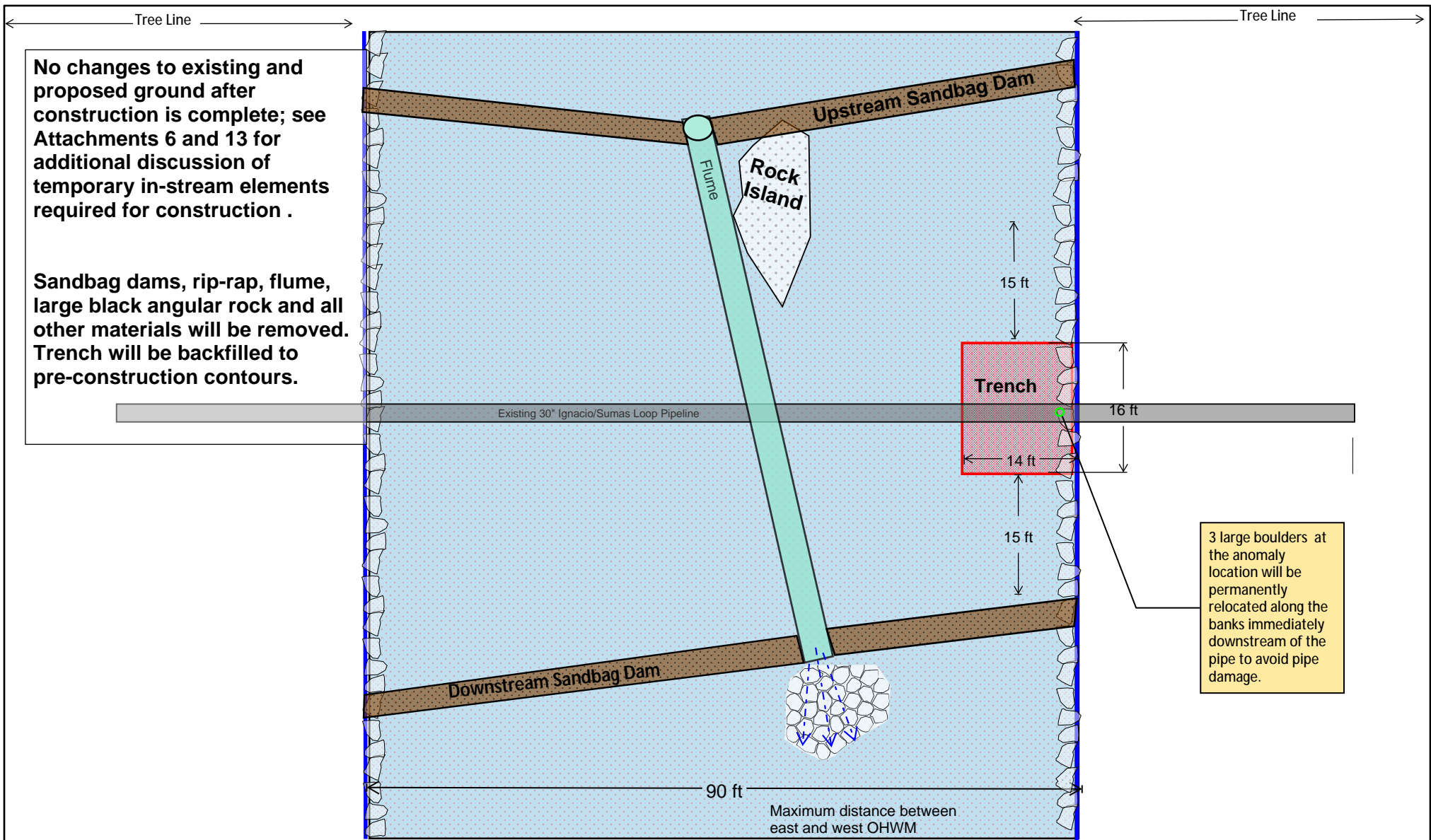


Figure 2. Existing and Proposed Conditions Plan View

**Chehalis to Washougal Anomaly Digs
Little Washougal River Site**



Not to Scale
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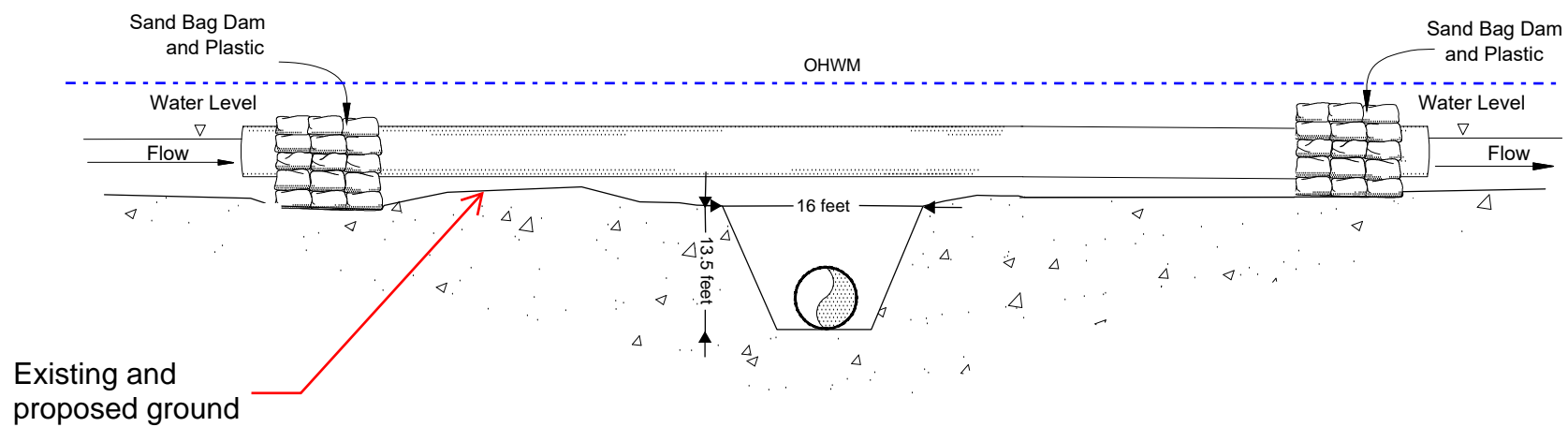


FIGURE 2
Existing and Proposed Cross Section View