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TRB Webinar: Implementing and Evaluating Wildlife Crossings

April 14, 2022

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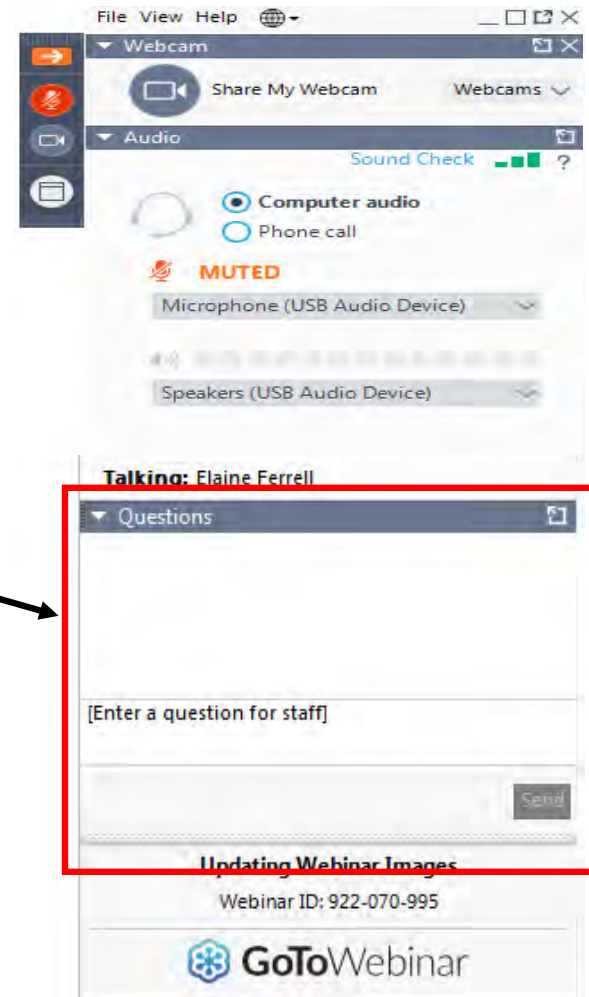
- Make objective engineering and economic decisions to implement effective wildlife crossings
- Identify engineering solutions to meet environmental and safety needs for wildlife crossings at large scales
- Determine the effectiveness of different crossing structure systems at large scales

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Questions and Answers

- Please type your questions into your webinar control panel
- We will read your questions out loud, and answer as many as time allows



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Decision-Support for Wildlife Crossing Implementation and Evaluation

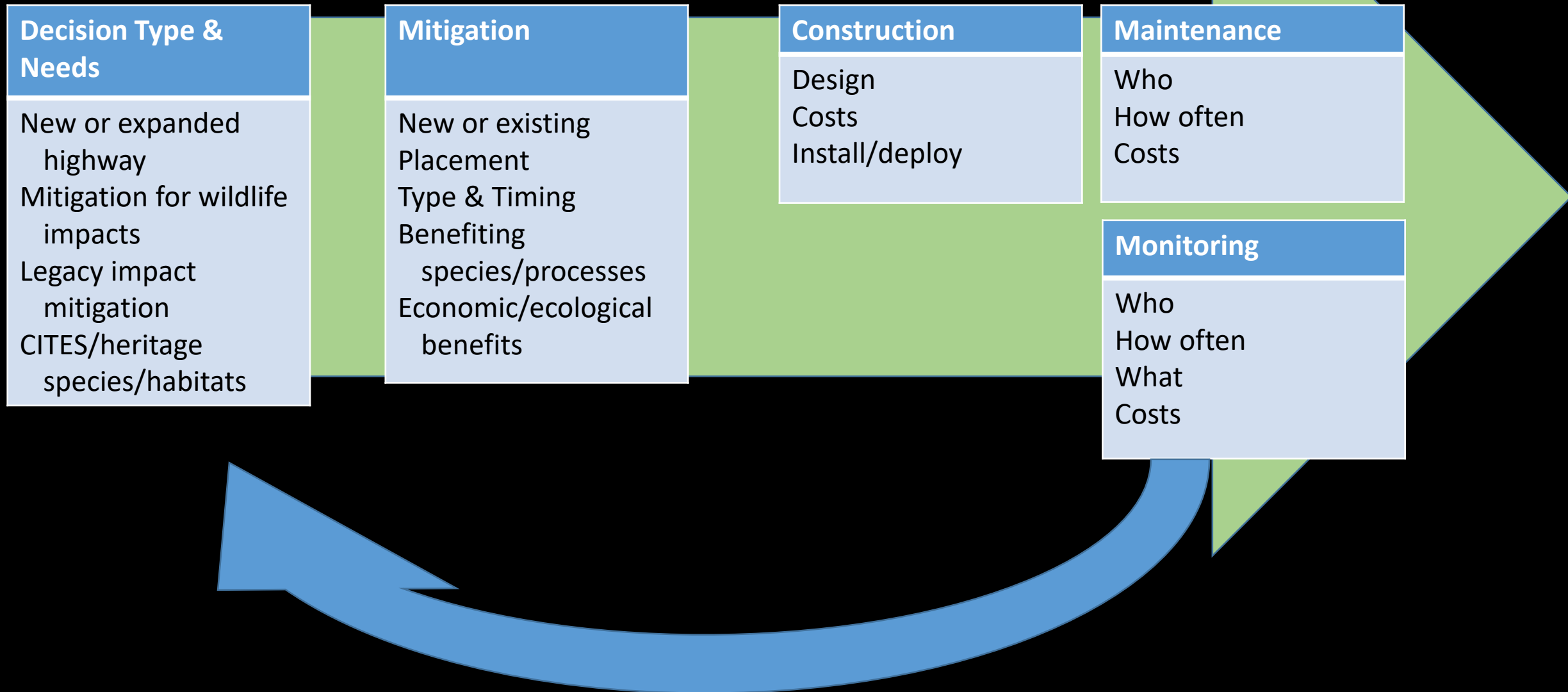
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Fraser Shilling, UC Davis (Organizer)

Andrew Runk, ConTech Engineered Solutions

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Decision/Analytical Workflow



Contemporary Context

International, National, State and Local scientists, wildlife agencies, NGOs, and hunting groups have been warning of threats to resident and migratory wildlife.

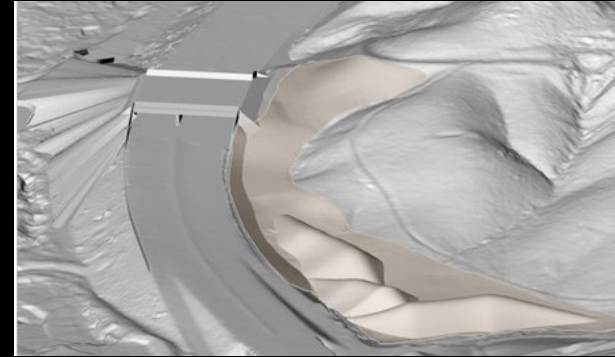
Federal and state governments have recently stepped up with legislative and appropriated funding support for improving wildlife connectivity.

What is needed: Decision-support for systematic delivery of connectivity solutions



Systematic Delivery of Connectivity Solutions

Fraser Shilling, Road Ecology Center: *“Planning and Designing Crossings for Wildlife at Scale”*



Andrew Runk, California Bridge Consultant for Contech Engineering Solutions: *“Prefabricated Land Bridges and Wildlife Crossing Solutions”*



Glen Kalisz, Habitat Connectivity Lead for WSDOT: *“Monitoring a Large Wildlife Crossing Structure System”*



Fraser Shilling

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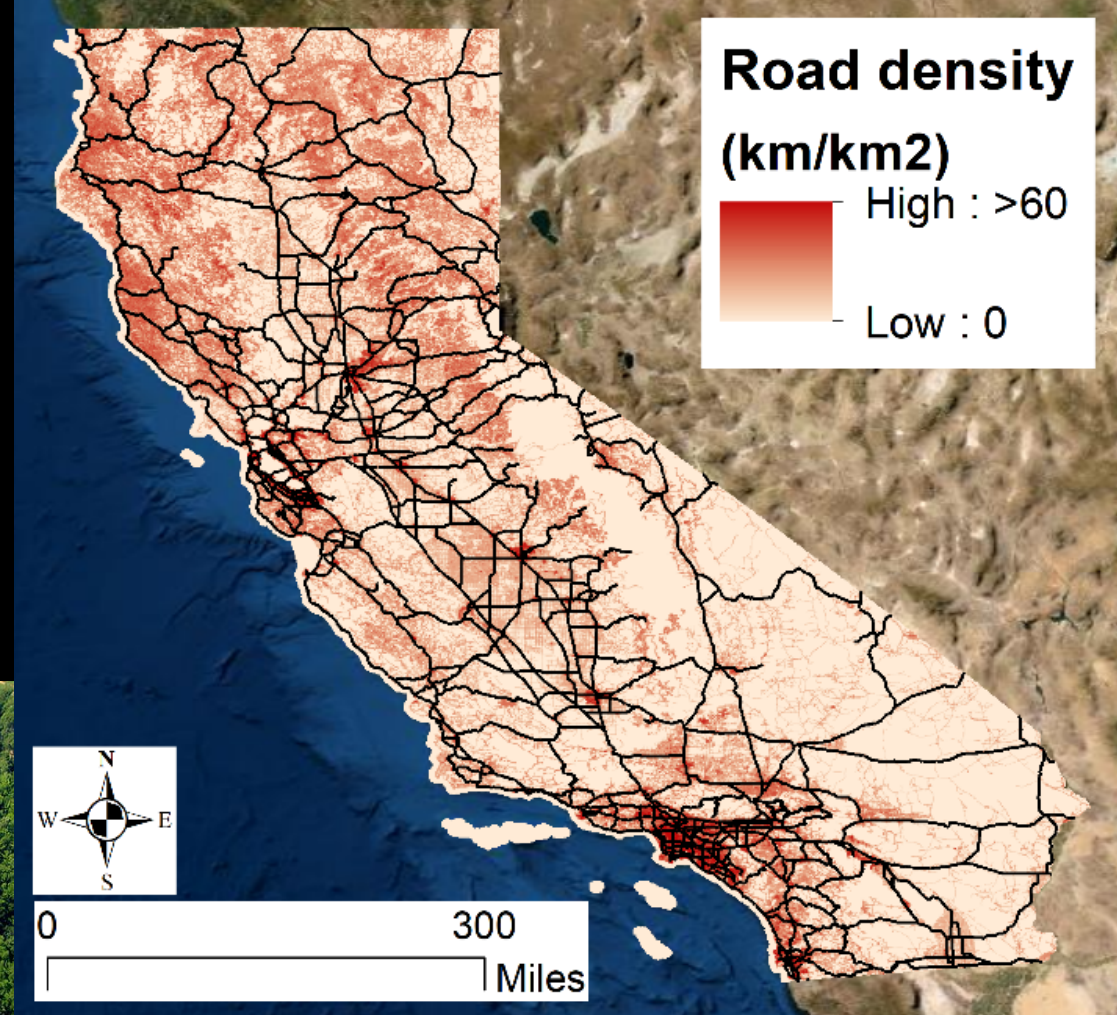
Thanks to: UC Davis: Autumn Iverson, Dave Waetjen, Graham Porter, Cameron Denney, Sean McDowell, Winston Vickers, Brock Ortega (Dudek), Norris Dodd (Aztec), Andrew Runk (Contech Engineering), Julie Kintsch (Eco-Resolutions), Clark Stevens (SMMRCD), Glen Kalisz and others (WSDOT)

National Center for Sustainable Transportation, Institute of Transportation Studies (UCD), Pew Charitable Trust, Caltrans, USDOT,

Volunteer-observers of the California Roadkill Observation System

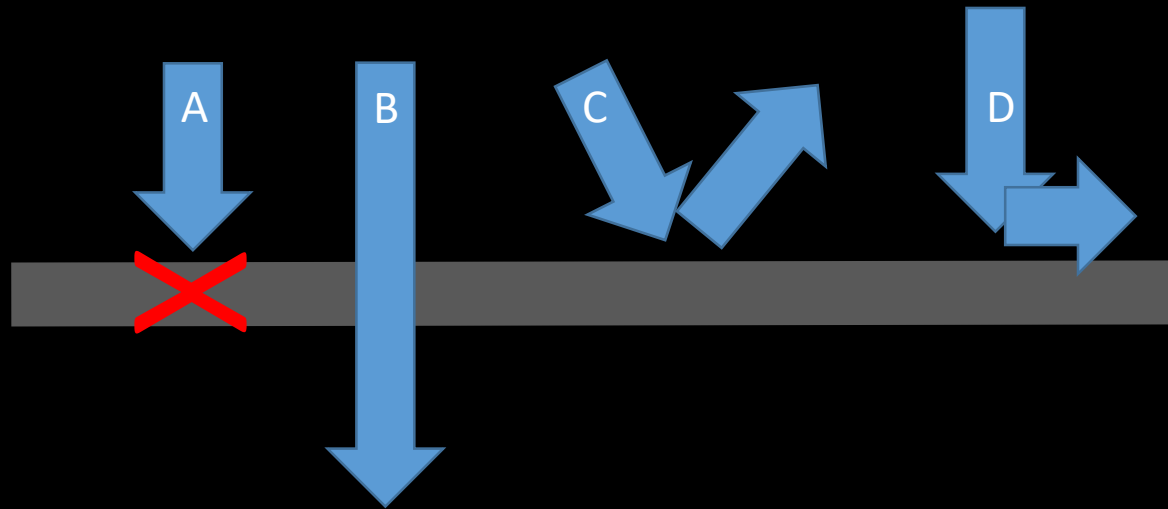
Problems

Roads and human presence everywhere



Impacts to Wildlife Connectivity

- A) Attempt to cross – injury/mortality (barrier)
- B) Attempt to cross – success (connectivity)
- C) Fear (barrier)
- D) Attraction



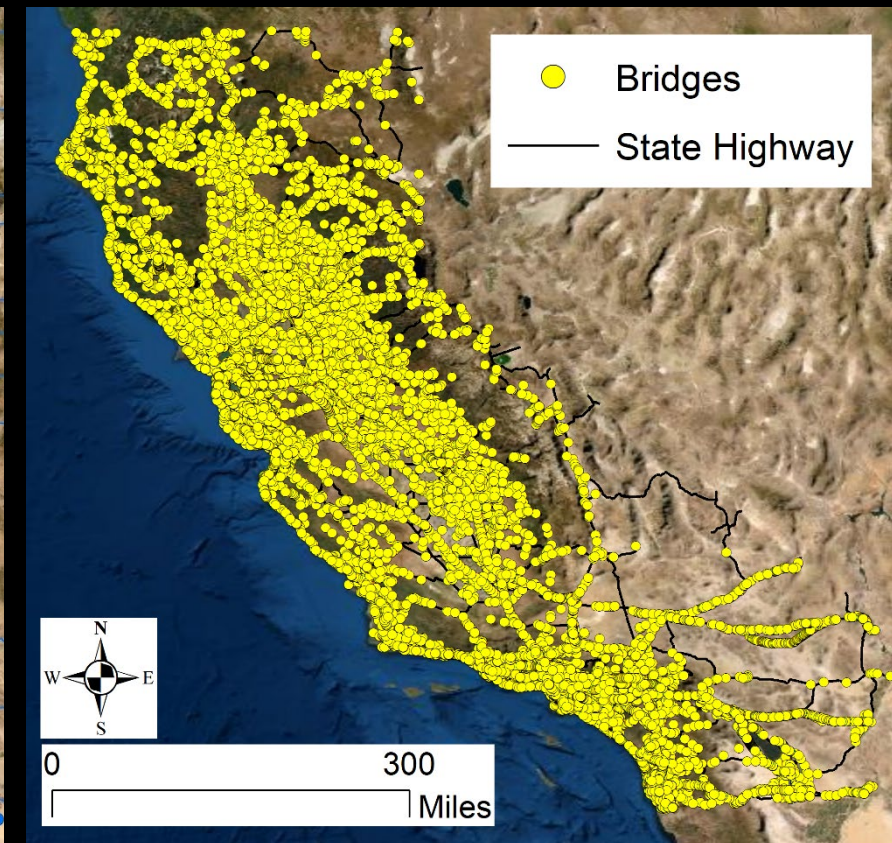
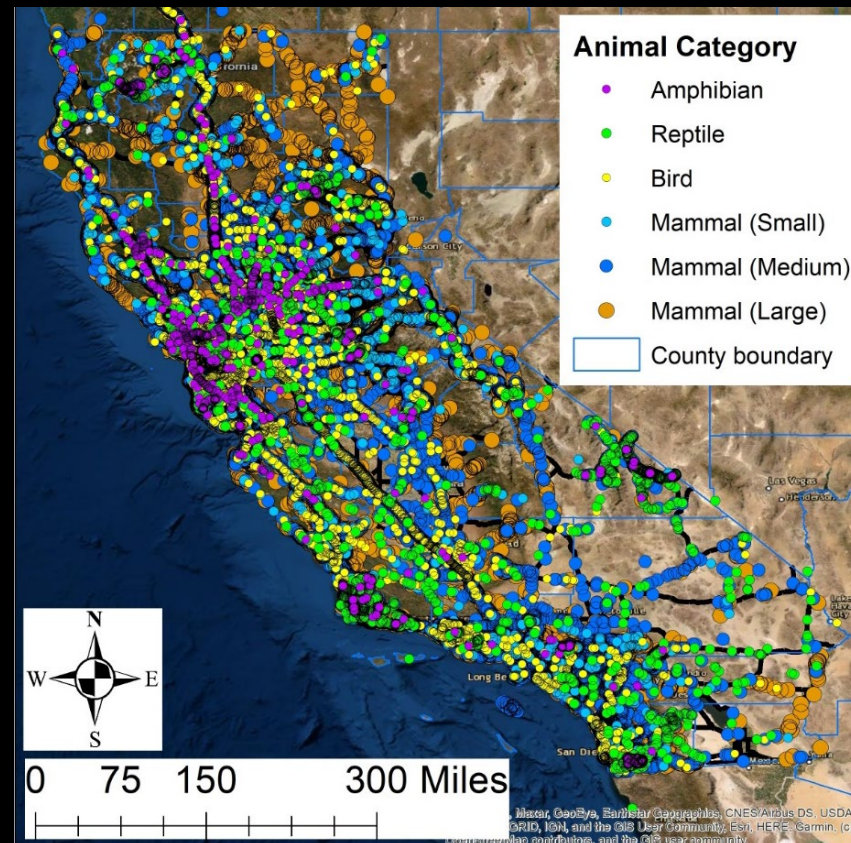
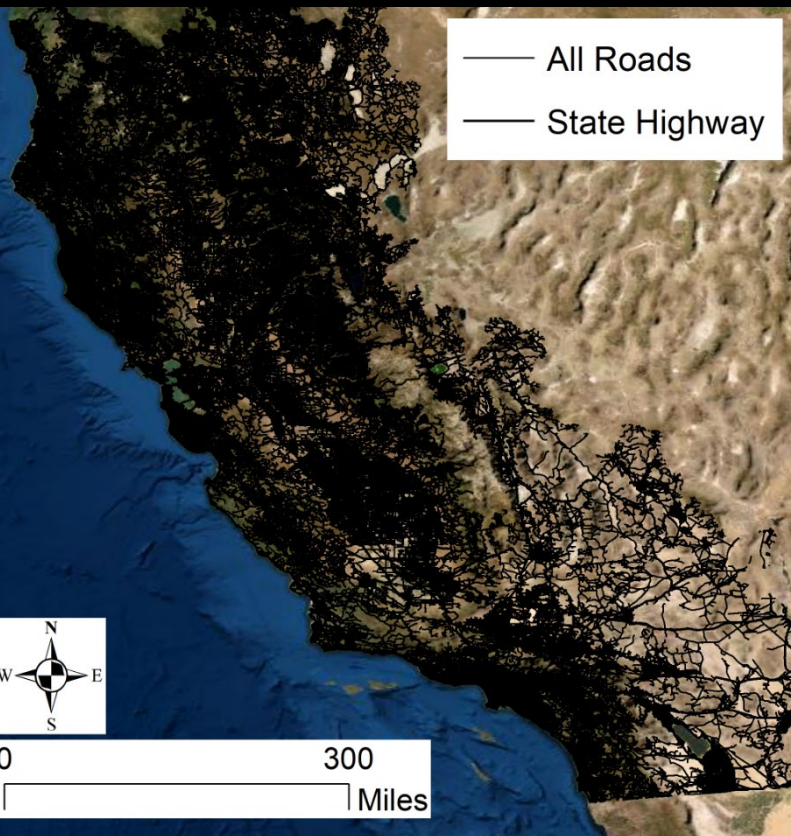
Problems

Wildlife need to move for day-to-day needs and for climate adaptation, but...



Problems

Wildlife impacted everywhere ... but there are opportunities

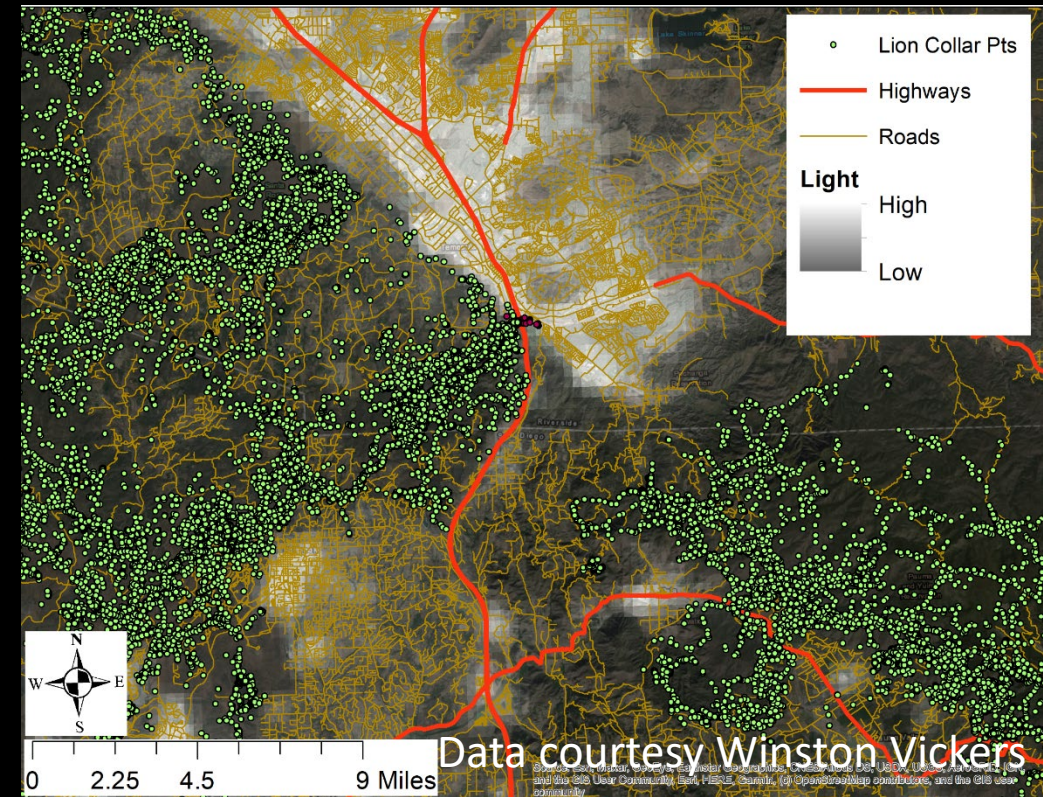


Solutions: Deciding Where to Act



Wildlife-vehicle collisions

Ecological barriers



Solutions: Deciding Where to Act

Example: I-5

Important freight corridor

1,381 miles

Critical ecological barrier: Tehachapis, Central Valley, Sacramento River Corridor, Klamath-Siskiyou-Cascades, Southern Cascades, Willamette Valley, SW Washington

Wildlands Network and Road Ecology Center partnering to address this continental-scale barrier



Source: Wikipedia

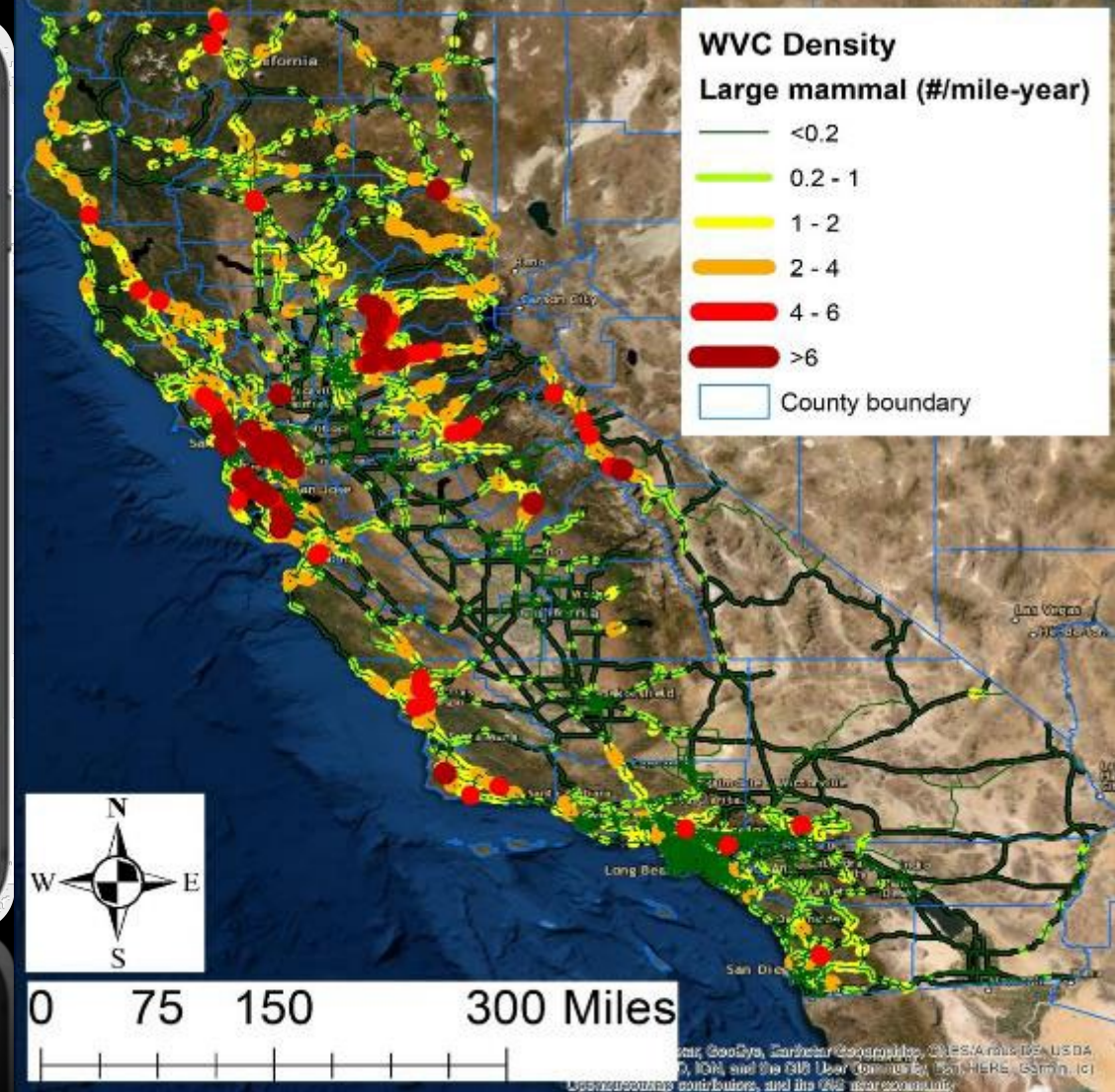
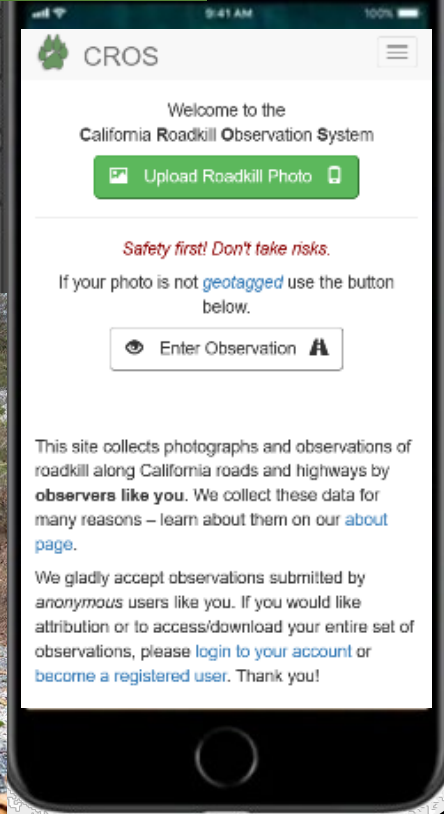
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Data Collection: California Roadkill Observation System

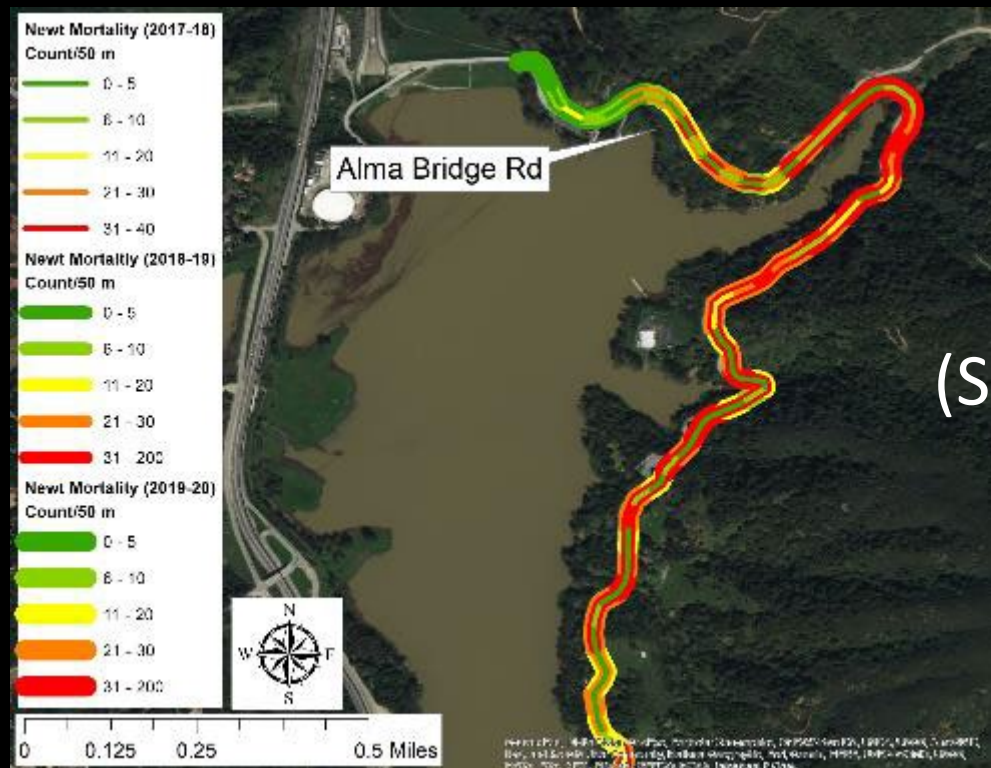
(<https://wildlifecrossing.net/California>)

Other big data states: OH, MO, ID, IA

Shilling and Waetjen (2015), Waetjen and Shilling (2017), Tiedemann et al. (2019)

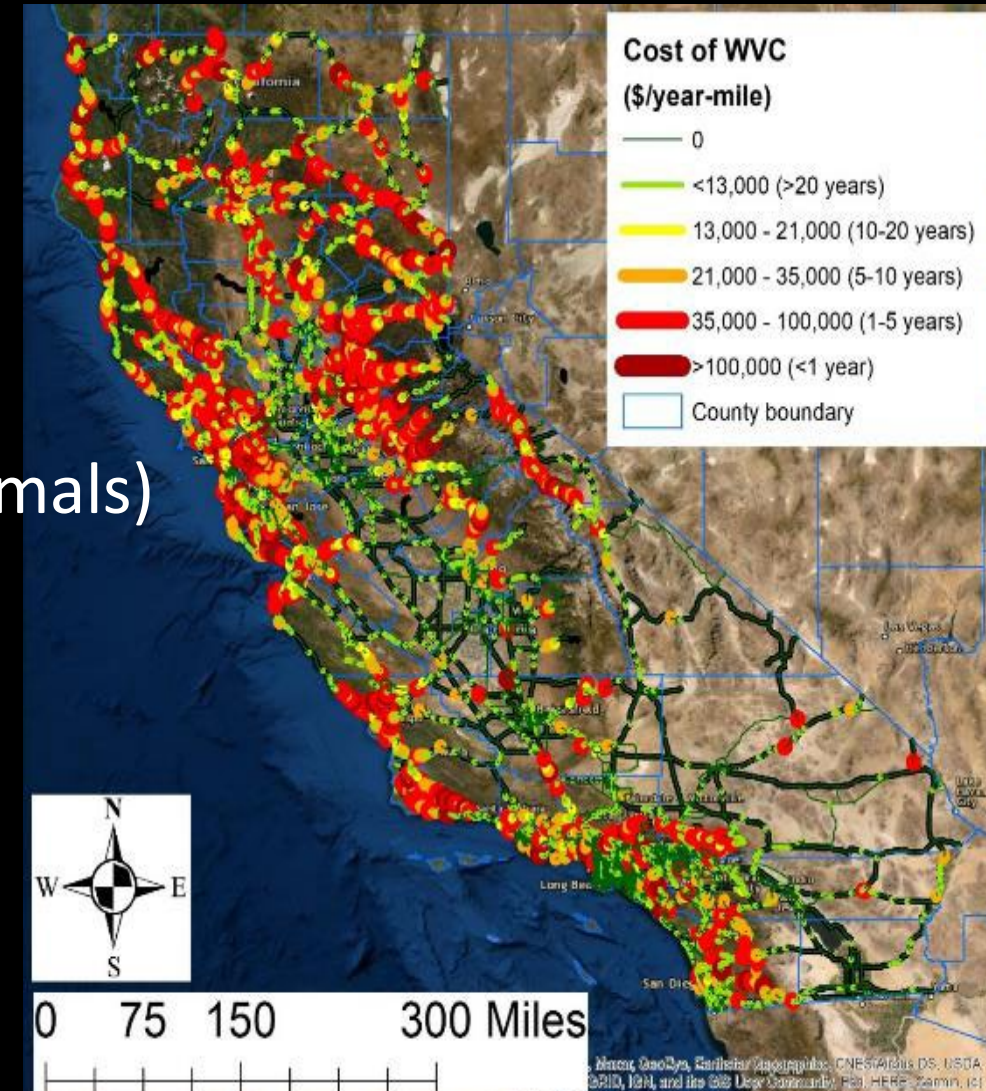
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Data to Decisions: Wildlife Crossing Calculator
(<https://wildlifecrossingcalculator.org>)



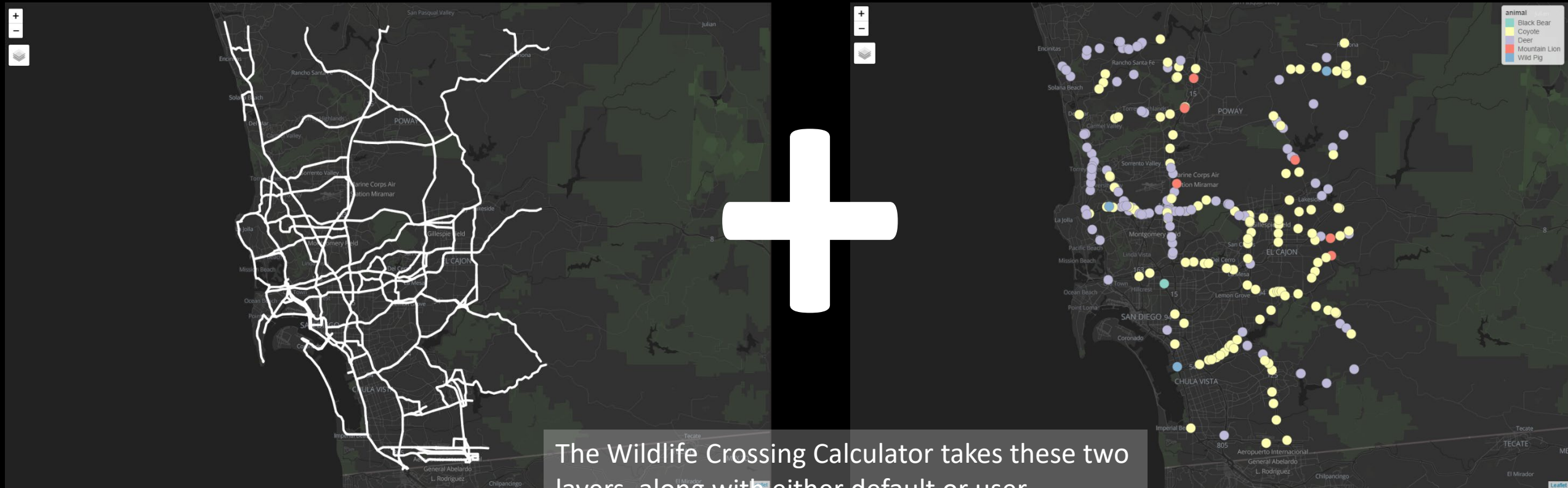
(Large mammals)

(Small amphibians)



Solutions: Deciding Where to Act - Economics

Data to Decisions: Wildlife Crossing Calculator (<https://wildlifecrossingcalculator.org>)



The Wildlife Crossing Calculator takes these two layers, along with either default or user-provided Crash Costs

Solutions: Deciding Where to Act

	A	B	C	D
1	Group	Severity	Cost	State
40	FHWA	K	10414947.98	MT
41	FHWA	A	603913.63	MT
42	FHWA	B	183019.94	MT
43	FHWA	C	115774.7	MT
44	FHWA	O	10977.95	MT

Crash severity = \$\$

Incident_ID	Year	Severity	Animal
	2020	A	Pronghorn
123457	2021	O	Deer

Wildlife value loss = \$\$

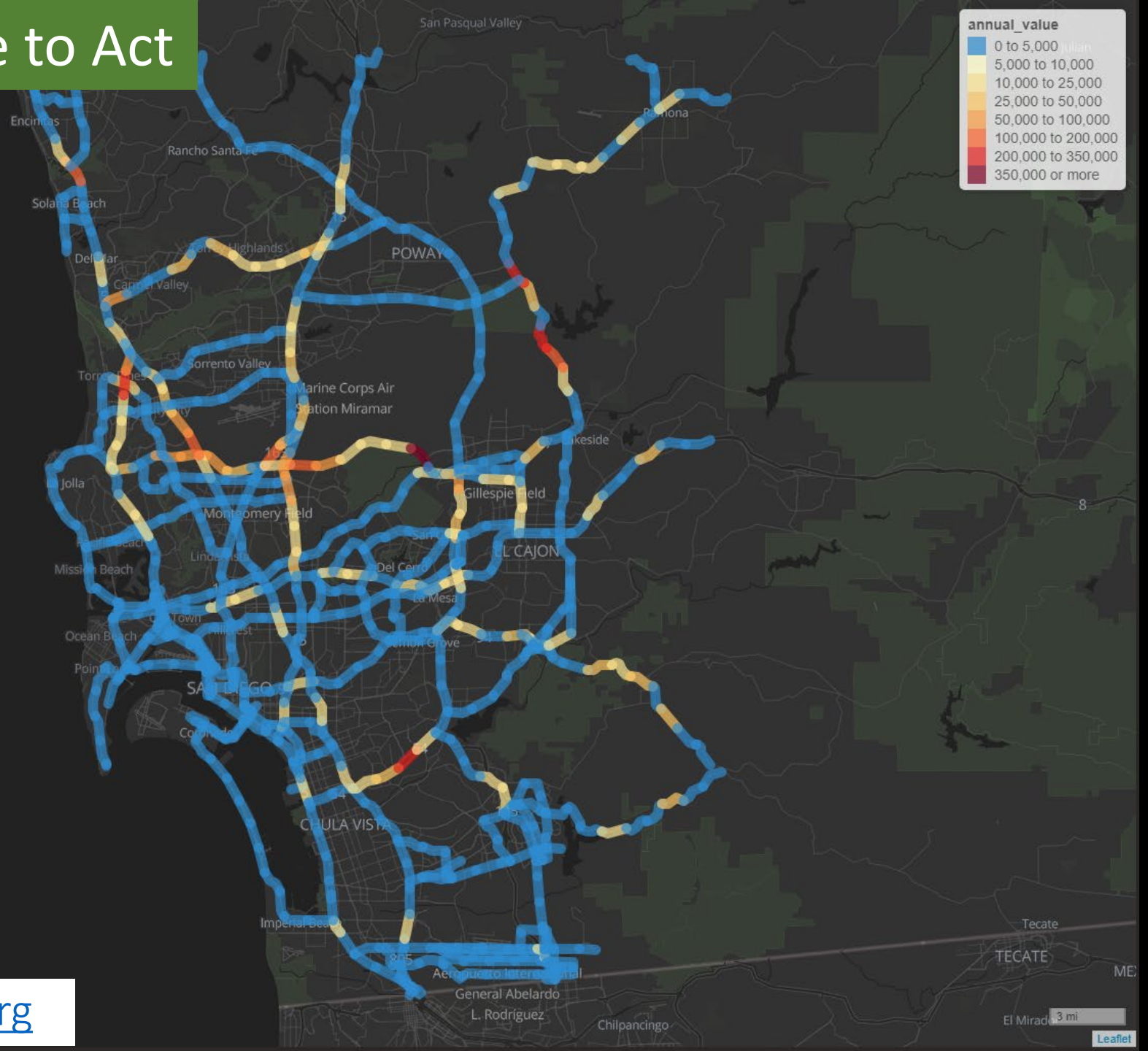
	A	B	C	D
1	Group	animal	Cost	Size
53	Restitution	Mountain Bighorn Sheep	30000	Large
54	Restitution	Elk	8000	Large
55	Restitution	Moose	6000	Large
56	Restitution	Mountain Goat	6000	Large
57	Restitution	Deer	8000	Large
58	Restitution	Pronghorn	2000	Large

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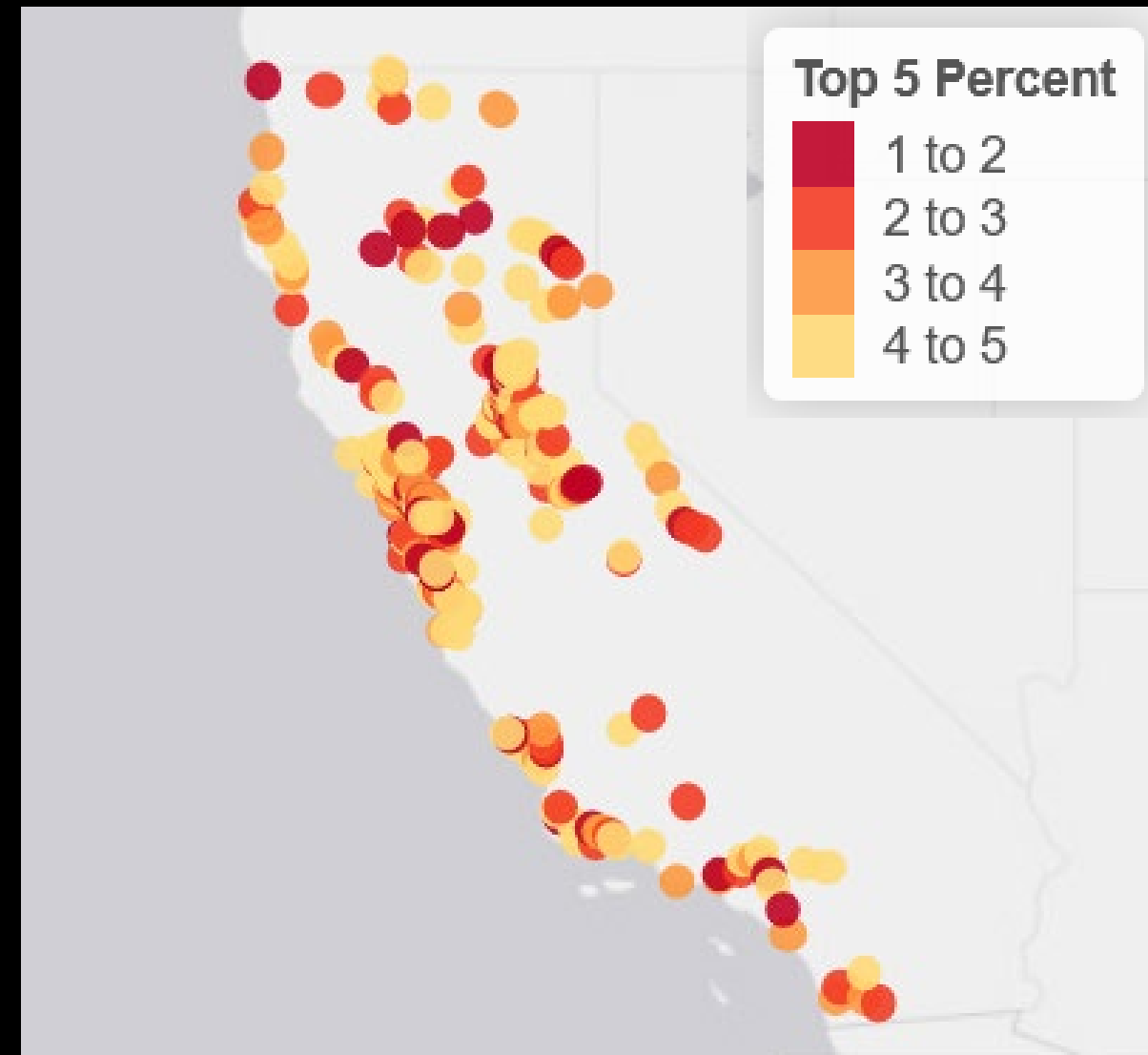


Calculate annual total crash costs within each road segment.



<https://wildlifecrossingcalculator.org>

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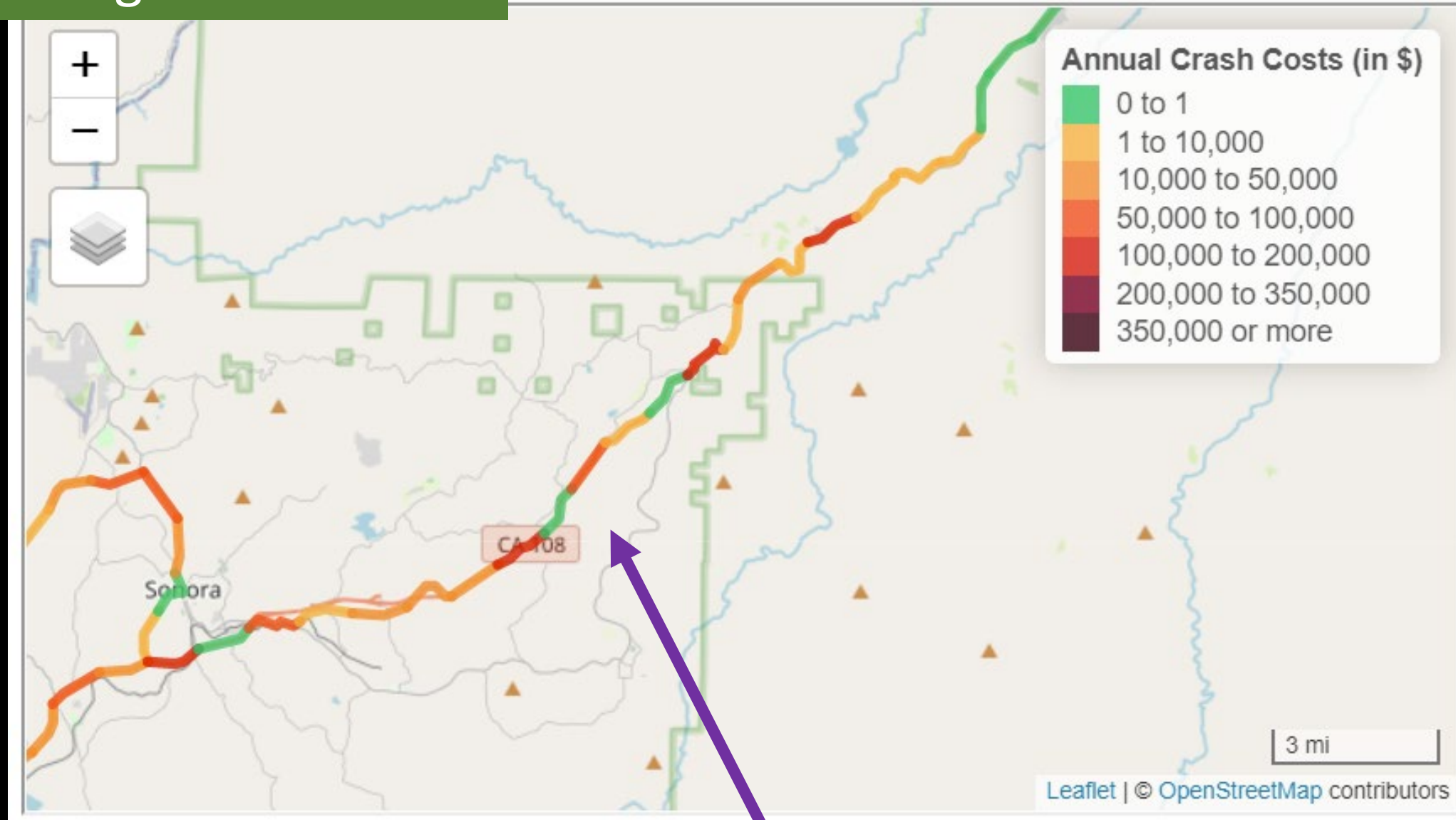
Mitigation Project Planning

WVC economic values associated with each road segment.

Use these values to run benefit-cost analyses to see if mitigation is economically “worth” doing.

Perform a **Net Present Value** calculation to achieve quantitative assessment of project costs compared with benefits.

Solutions: Deciding What to Do



<https://wildlifecrossingcalculator.org>

Example Study Area (SR 108)

Solutions: Deciding What to Do

Annual Crash Costs

\$962,929

Mitigation Feature	Cost (in 2020 \$)
Overpass	300 / sq. ft.
Overpass Maintenance	15 / sq. ft. / yr
Fencing	10 / ft.
Fencing Maintenance	1 / ft. / yr

Mitigation Feature	Lifespan
Overpass	50
Fencing	25

What type of mitigation do you want to use?

68,000

How many **feet** of fencing do you want?

How many **feet** long is your underpass (culvert)

How many **feet** wide is your underpass (culvert)

How many **feet** long is your underpass (bridge)

How many **feet** wide is your underpass (bridge)

125

How many **feet** long is your overpass (bridge)

80

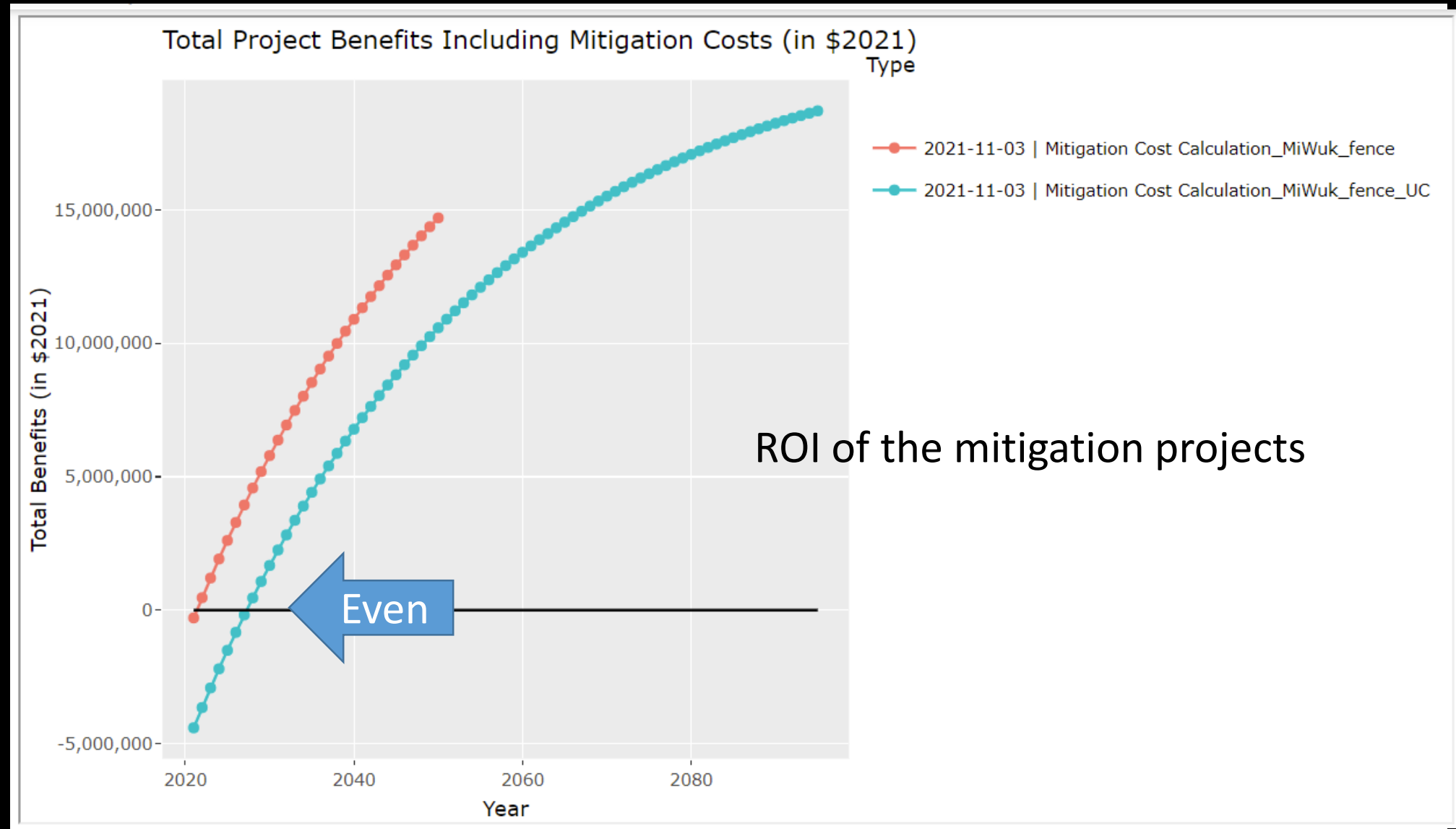
How many **feet** wide is your overpass (bridge)

RUN

Total Costs for life-span of structures

Total Value for life-span of mitigation

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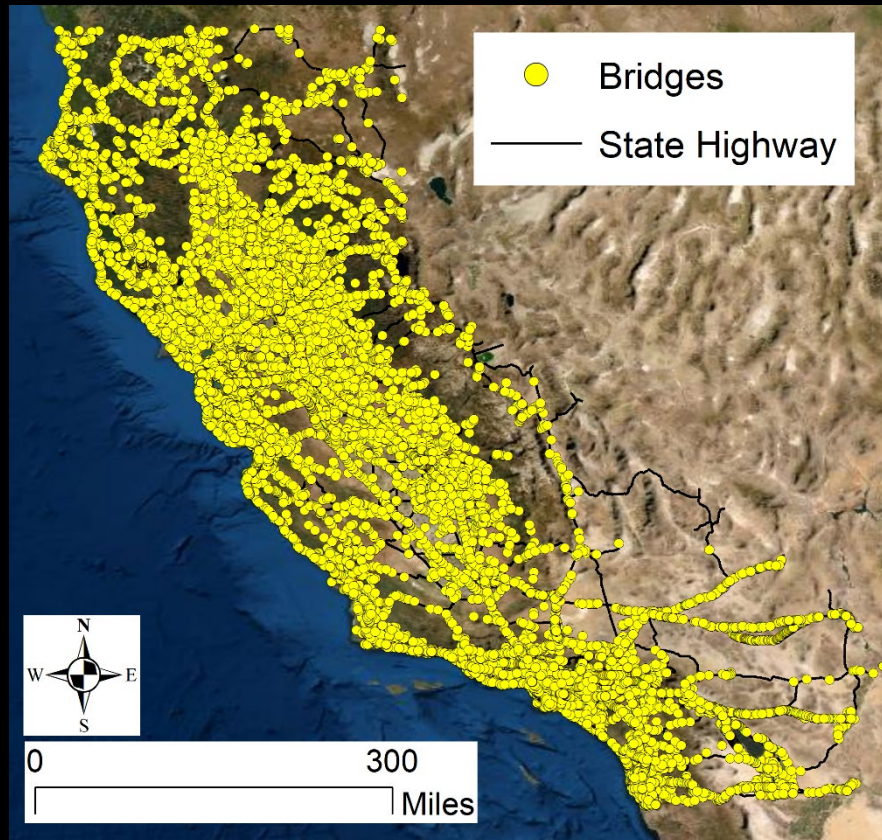
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Existing and New Diverse Crossings for Diverse Wildlife



Fencing to existing structures

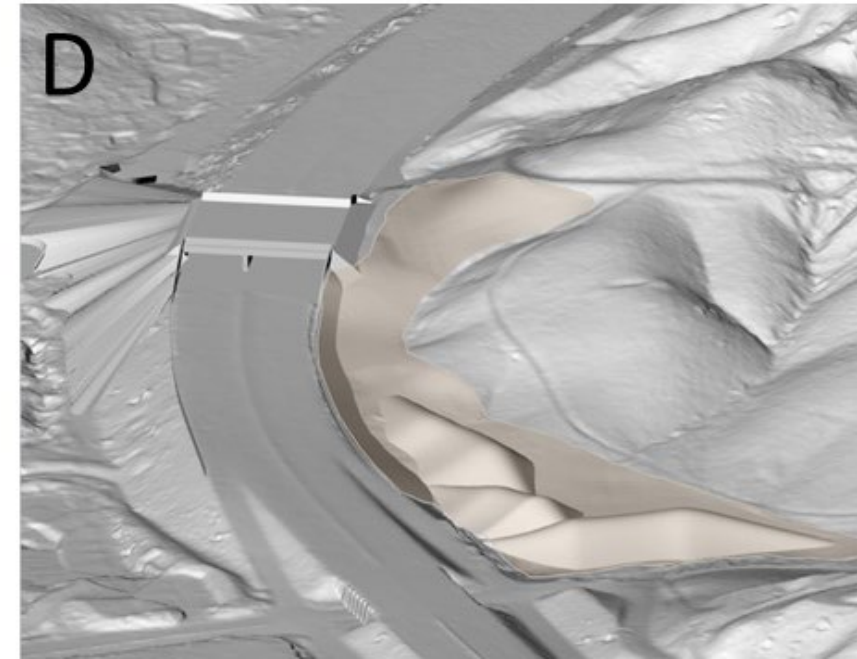
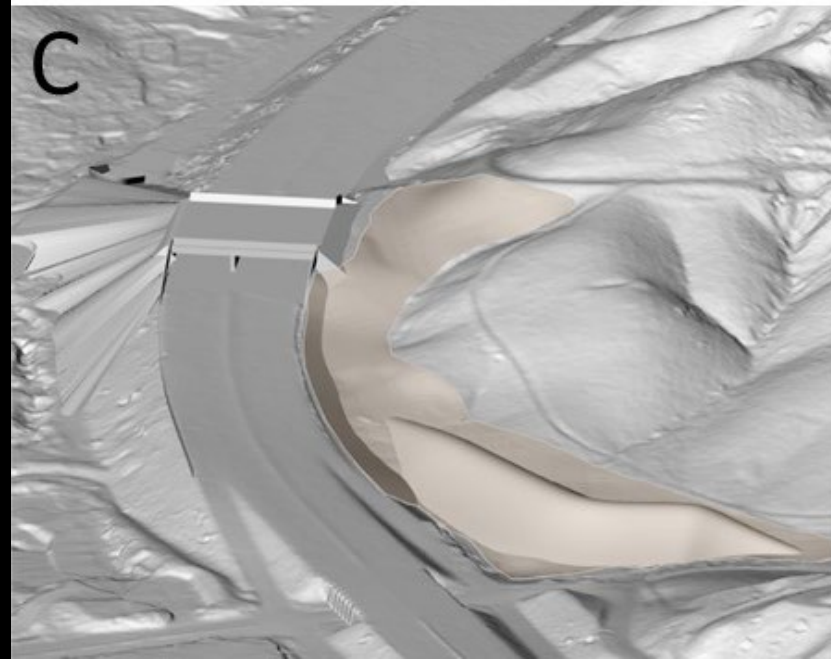
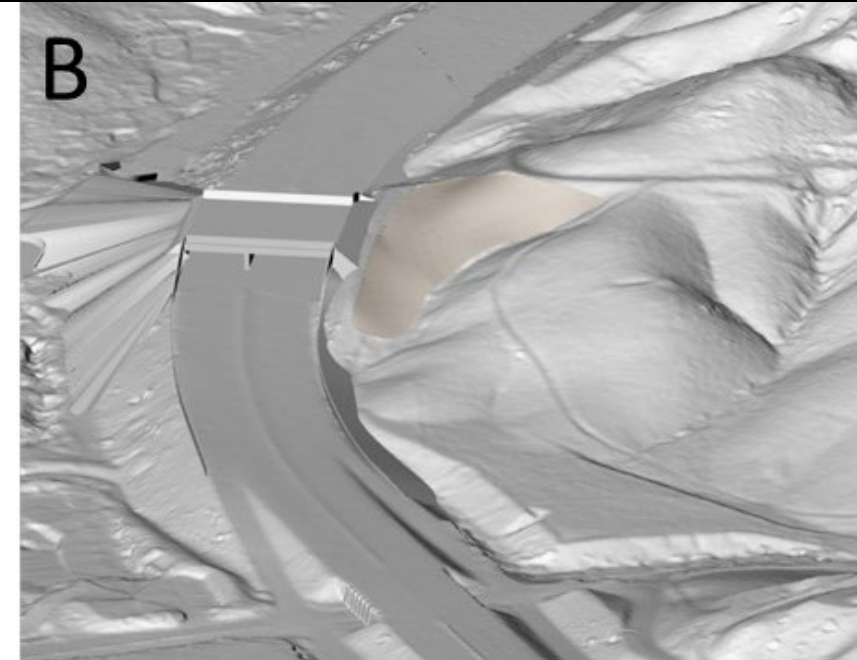
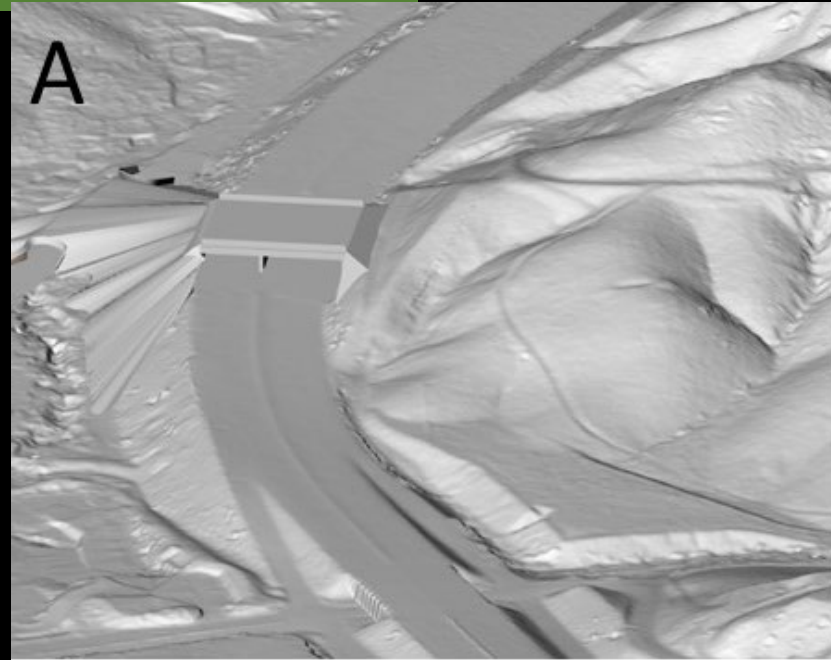
Tens of thousands of bridges that wildlife already use



Solutions: Deciding What to Build

Design for the
Largest Wildlife
Crossing in the
World: Wallis-
Annenberg (US 101)

Shilling et al. (2022)
McDowell et al. (in prep)



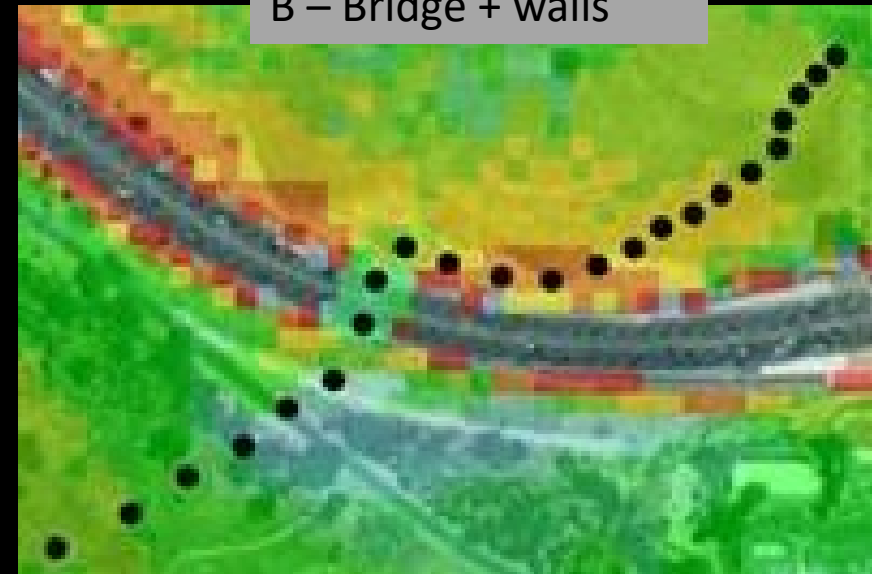
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Designing
Reduced
Traffic Noise

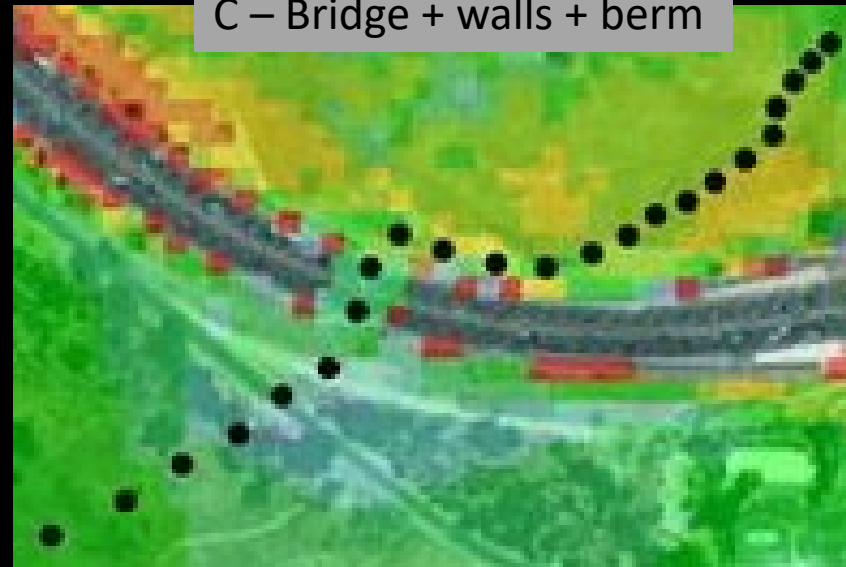
A – Bridge only



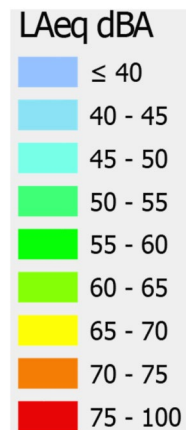
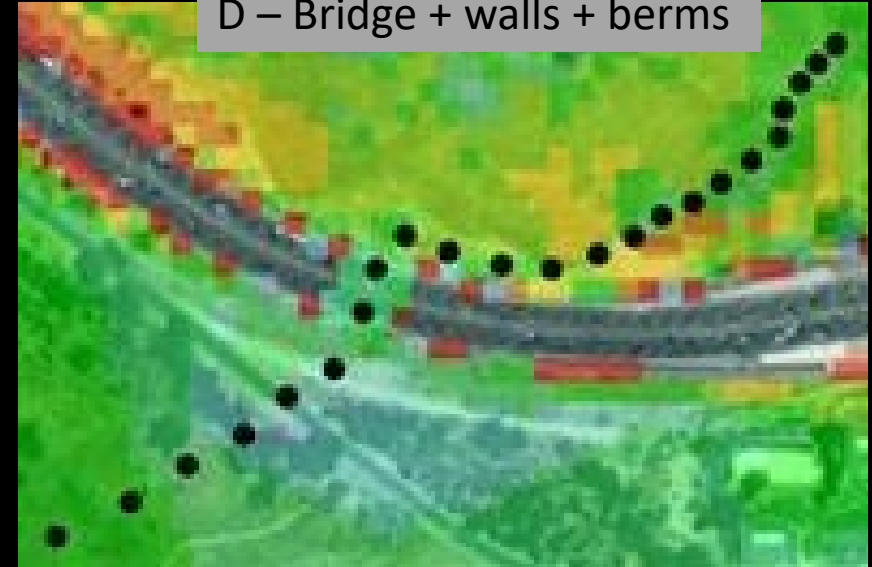
B – Bridge + walls



C – Bridge + walls + berm



D – Bridge + walls + berms



Solutions: Deciding What to Build

Designing
Reduced
Traffic Glare



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Courtesy Winston Vickers, UC Davis

And now ...

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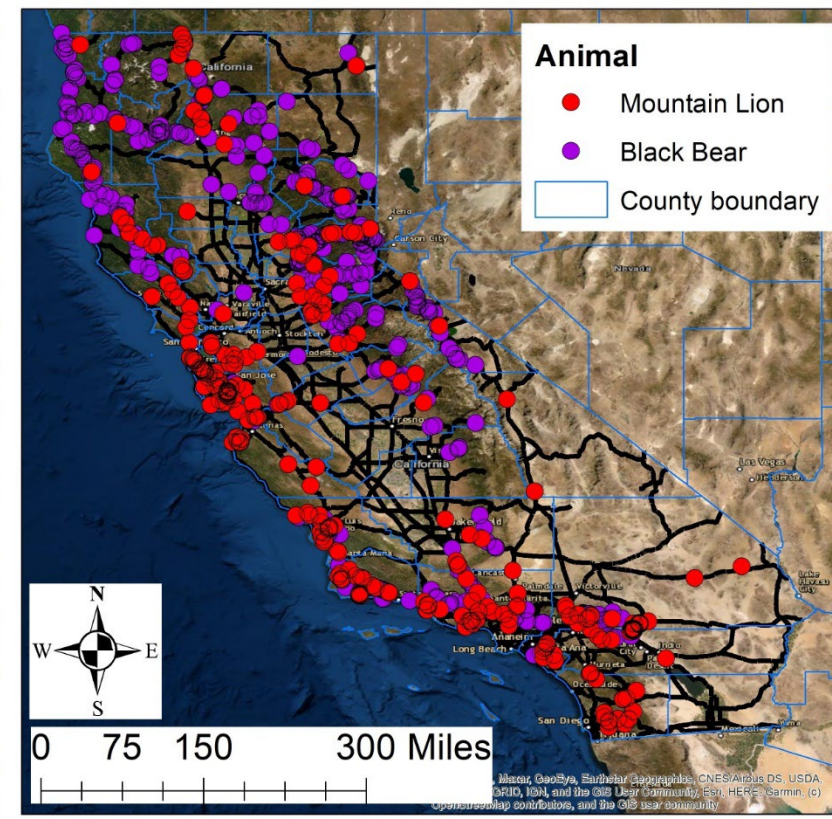
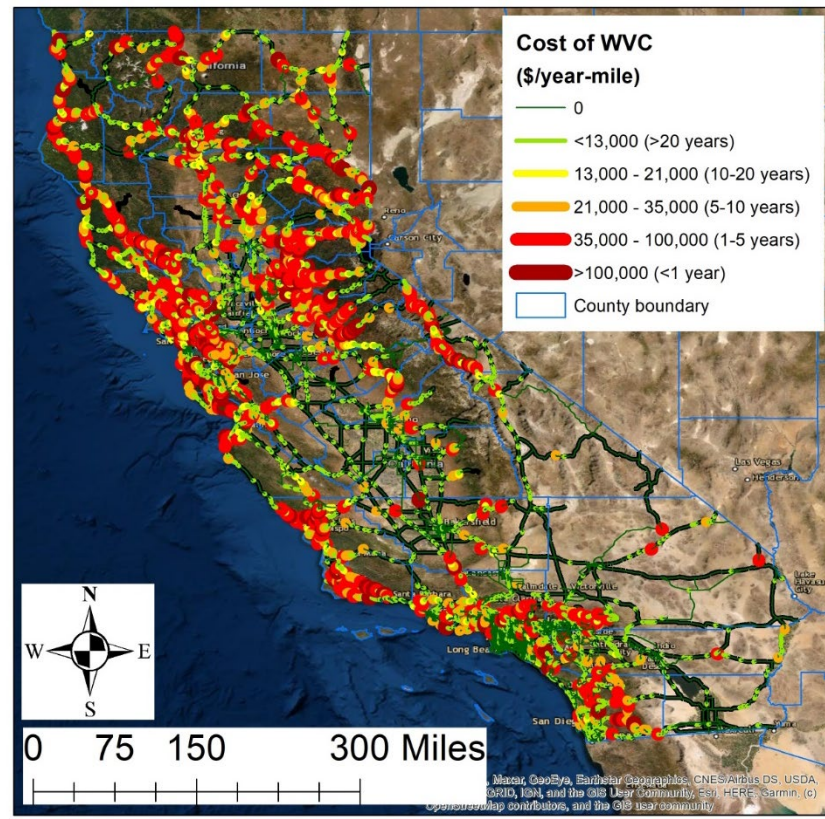
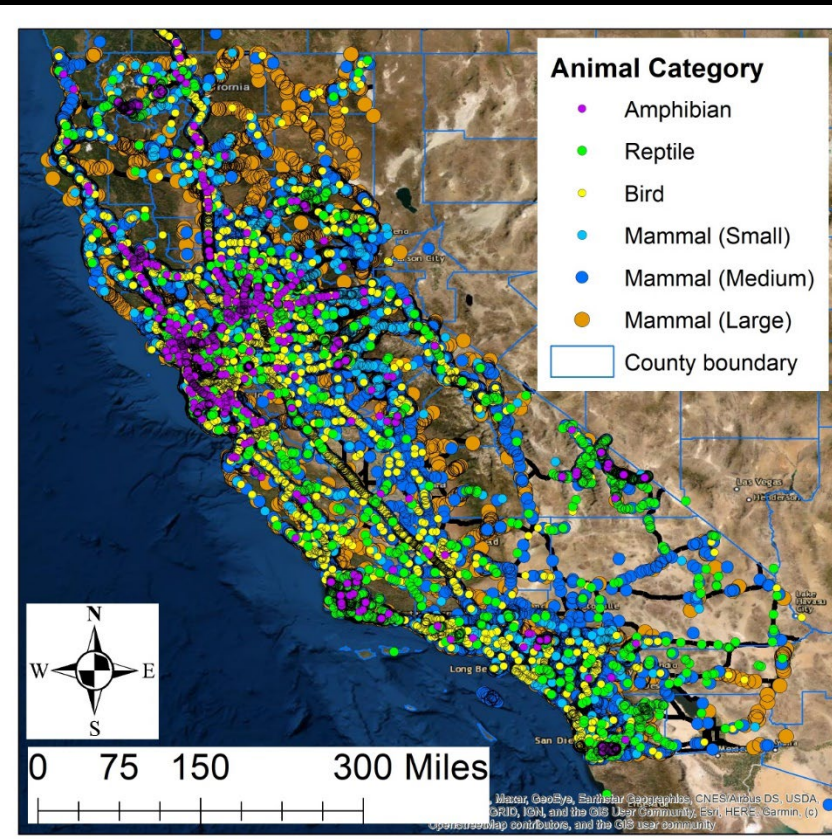
Wildlife Crossings

We need many more wildlife crossings in California for climate adaptation



Wildlife Mortality

- Species
- Locations



Prefabricated Structures

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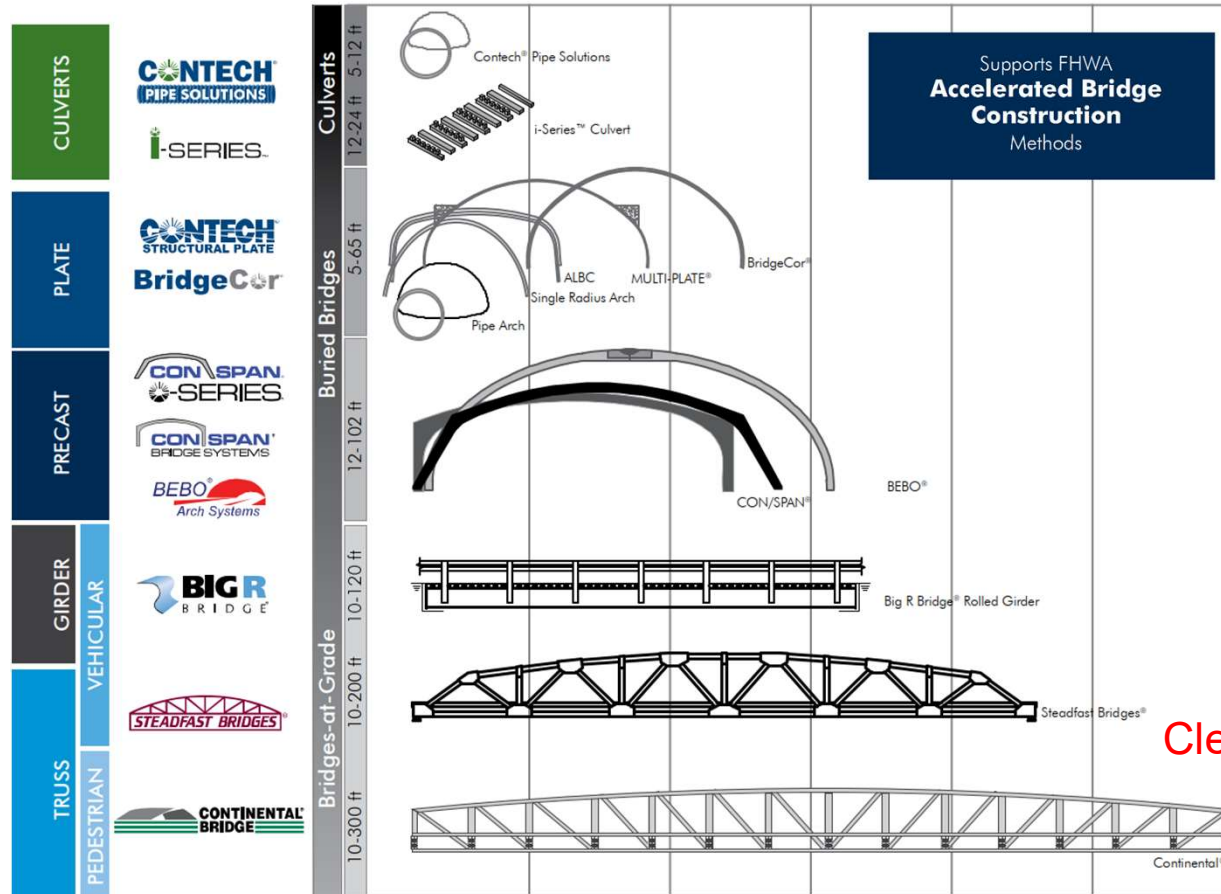


Agenda

- **Introduction**
- **Federal Initiatives**
- **Prefabricated Elements**
- **Solution Overview**
- **Case Study**
- **Tools and Support**



Clear Span Bridges



U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
Accelerated Bridge Program

Connection Details for Prefabricated Bridge Elements and Systems



March 30, 2009

Figure 2.4.3-1 depicts a proprietary arch system call the Con/Span® Bridge System. This system, including the arch elements, the spandrel walls, the wingwalls and the footings, can be completely made with precast concrete elements. The connections shown in Figure 2.4.3-1 are described in the following sections.

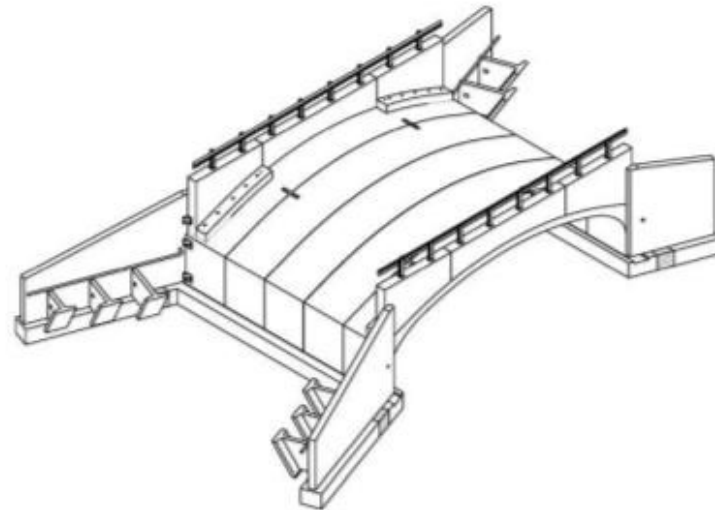


Figure 2.4.3-1 Con/Span® Bridge System

“Prefabricated elements of a bridge produced off-site can be assembled quickly, and can reduce design time and cost, minimize forming, minimize lane closure time and/or possibly eliminate the need for a temporary bridge.”

U.S. Department of Transportation
Federal Highway Administration
Accelerated Bridge Program

Accelerated Bridge Construction (ABC):

- ABC is bridge construction that uses innovative planning, design, materials, and construction methods in a safe and cost-effective manner to reduce the onsite construction time that occurs when building new bridges or replacing and rehabilitating existing bridges

Prefabricated Bridge Elements and Systems

- PBES are structural components of a bridge that are built offsite, or near-site of a bridge and include features that reduce the onsite construction time and the mobility impact time that occurs when building new bridges or rehabilitating or replacing existing bridges relative to conventional construction methods.

Accelerated Bridge Process

It All Starts with Collaborative Solution Development

- Feasibility Studies
- Estimating
- Design
- Permitting
- Construction/Fabrication



Quality Controlled Manufacturing
While Site is Being Prepared

Accelerated Bridge Process



Efficient Logistics and Assembly



Backfill and Completion

Modular Components



PRECAST FOUNDATION



PRECAST ARCH UNIT



PRECAST HEADWALL



PRECAST WINGWALL



TWIN LEAF CONSTRUCTION



CURVED ALIGNMENT

Prefab vs. Conventional



US 12 Wildcat Creek Rapid Bridge Replacement

Owner: WSDOT Engineer: Stantec Contractor: Graham

- Eliminated long term maintenance cost
- Increased safety with limited/no freeze concerns & deck maintenance
- OPENED IN 17 DAYS!

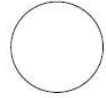

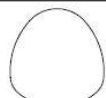
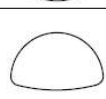
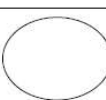
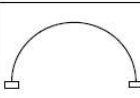
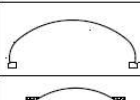


Buried Bridge

- Resulted in \$2 Million in Savings
- Reduced Traffic Impact by 3 Months
- Reduced the project footprint and tree removal
- Avoided Pile-Driving & Associated Impacts

Structural Steel or Aluminum Plate



Structural Plate Standard Shapes

Shapes		Sizes=Span x Rise
Round		5' to 50'-6"
Vertical Ellipse		4'-8" x 5'-2" to 25' x 27'-8"
Underpass		12'-2" x 11'-0" to 20'-4" x 17'-9"
Pipe-Arch		6'-1" x 4'-7" to 20'-7" x 13'-2"
Horizontal Ellipse		7'-4" x 5'-6" to 14'-11" x 11'-2"
Arch (single radius)		6' x 1'-10" to 54'-4" x 27'-2"
Arch (2-radius)		18'-5" x 8'-4" to 50'-7" x 19'-11"
High-Profile *		20'-1" x 9'-1" to 65'-0" x 28'-2"
Box Culvert		8'-9" x 2'-6" to 35'-3" x 13'-7"

MULTI-PLATE/ Aluminum Structural Plate

BridgeCor

Aluminum Box Culvert / BridgeCor

Lightweight, Bolted Plate Construction



FREIGHT ECONOMY



EFFICIENT ASSEMBLY



LIFT AND SET IN PLACE

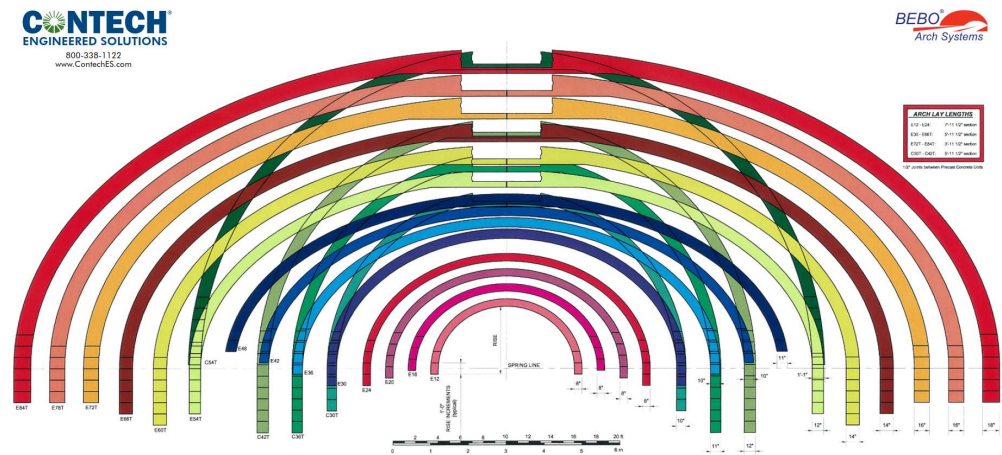
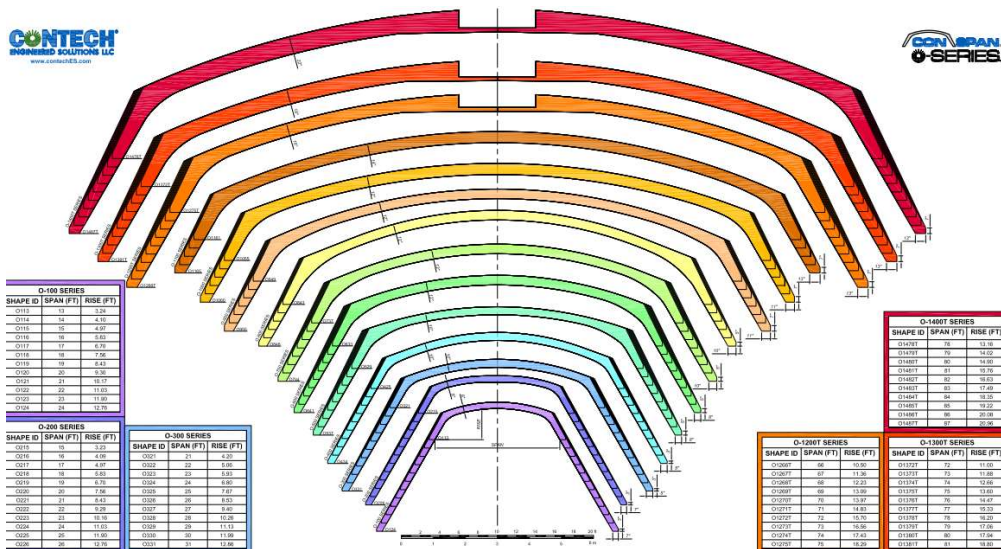


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Precast – CON/SPAN and BEBO Concrete Arches



Precast Concrete Arch Systems



Truss Bridges – Pedestrian and Vehicular

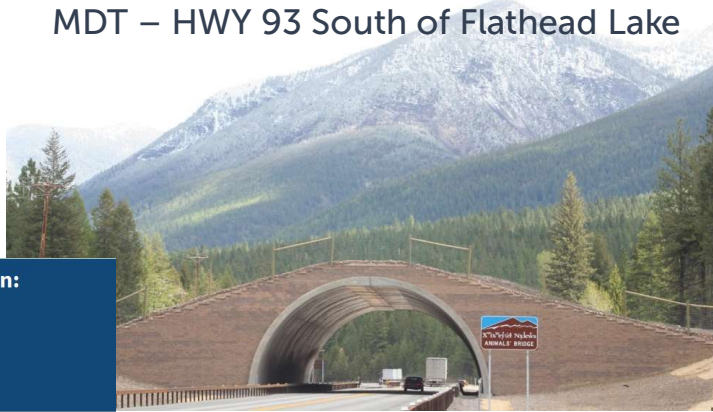


Freight Economy / Simple Installation



Prefabricated Overcrossing Examples

MDT – HWY 93 South of Flathead Lake



Technical Description:

- Span: 54-ft.
- Rise: 24-ft. 4-in.
- Length: 198-ft.

CDOT – SH9 South of Silverthorne



Technical Description:

- 2 - 66' x 24' x 100' BEBO®
- 5 - 41' x 10'-7 7/8" x 66' CON/SPAN® O-Series®

Riverside County, CA – Clinton Keith



Technical Description:

- 60' x 22' x 109.63' BEBO® Bridge
- Concrete Arch System
- 66' x 24' x 109.63' BEBO® Bridge
- Concrete Arch System

NVDOT – I-80 Pequops



Technical Description:

- Span: 66'
- Rise: 26.5'
- Length: 200'

Prefabricated Undercrossing Examples



Technical Description:

- Span: 48 ft
- Rise: 11 ft
- Length: 50 ft

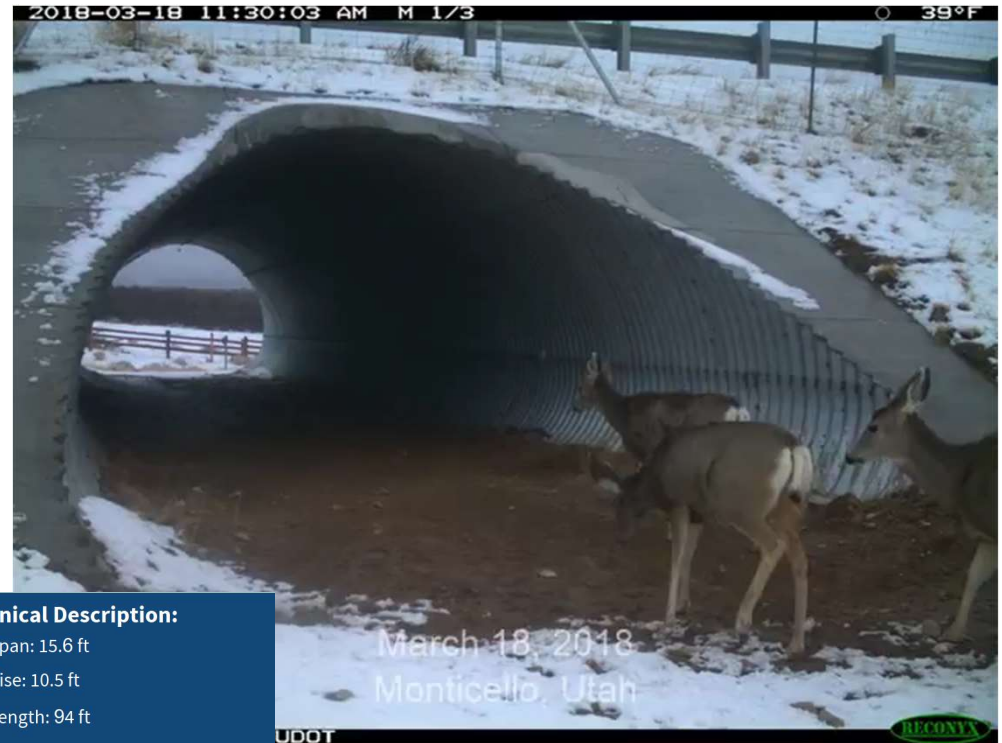
UDOT – I-70 Sevier County



CDOT – HWY 550 – Montrose, CO

Technical Description:

- Span: 30 ft
- Rise: 16-ft 6-in
- Length: 78 ft



Technical Description:

- Span: 15.6 ft
- Rise: 10.5 ft
- Length: 94 ft

UDOT – US 191 – Monticello, UT

Structure assembled in 20 Hours!

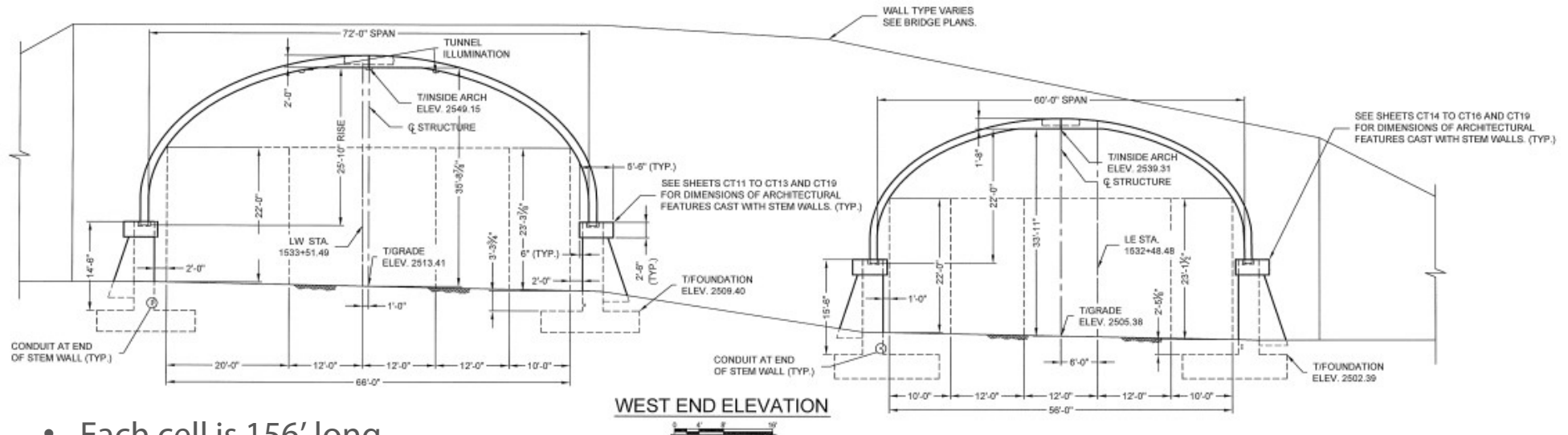
- I-90 Animal Crossing, Washington

I-90 Keechelus Dam to Stampede Pass Phase 2A

Washington's wild life overpass

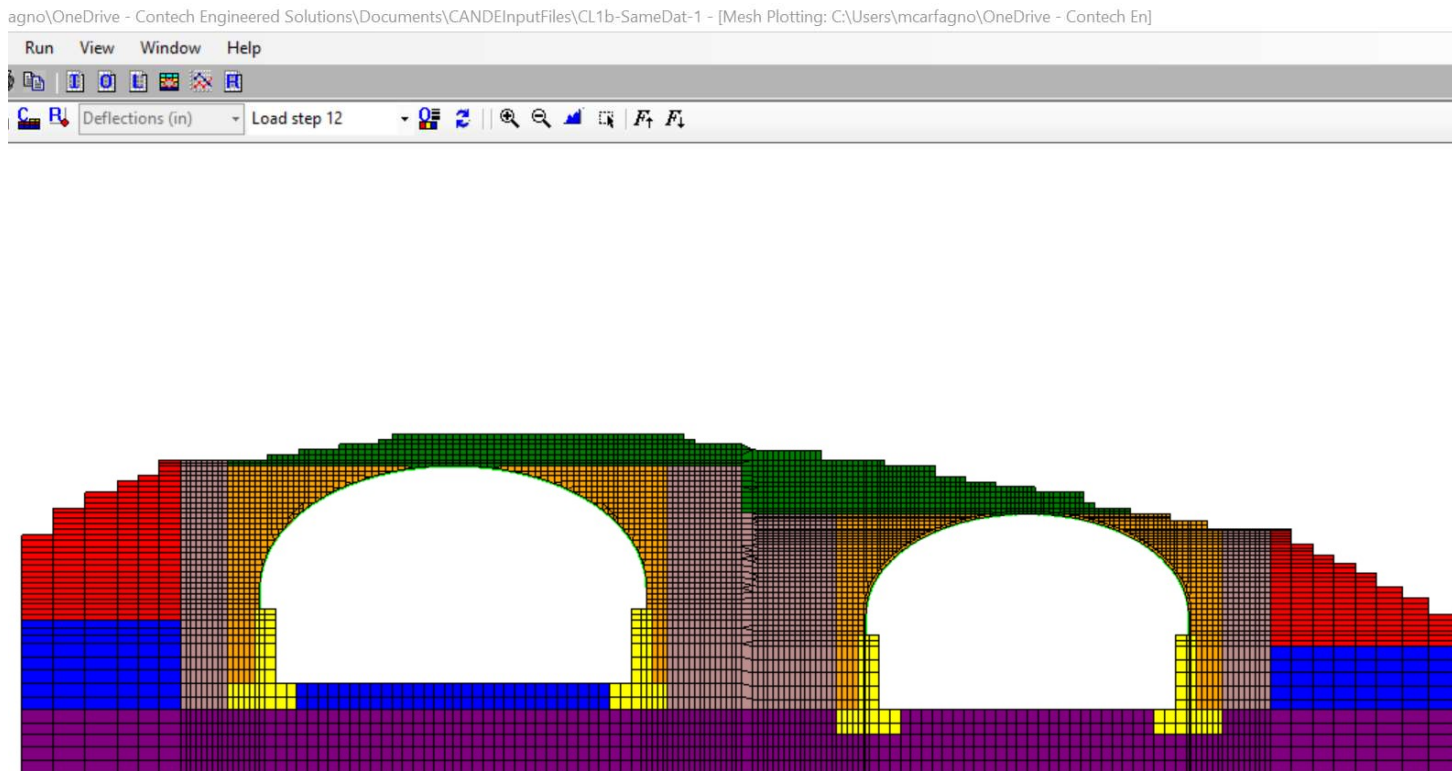


West End Elevation



- Each cell is 156' long
- Clearance box is 22'-0" tall for the full width of 66' (3-12' lanes + 10' shoulder + 20' chain-up) for the westbound structure.
- Eastbound structure is similar with 22' tall clearance box for the full width of 56' (3-12' lanes + 2-10' shoulders)
- In order to achieve the vertical clearance, the arch units were set on pedestal walls of varying heights – 14'-6" to 17'-6".

CANDE Finite Element Model



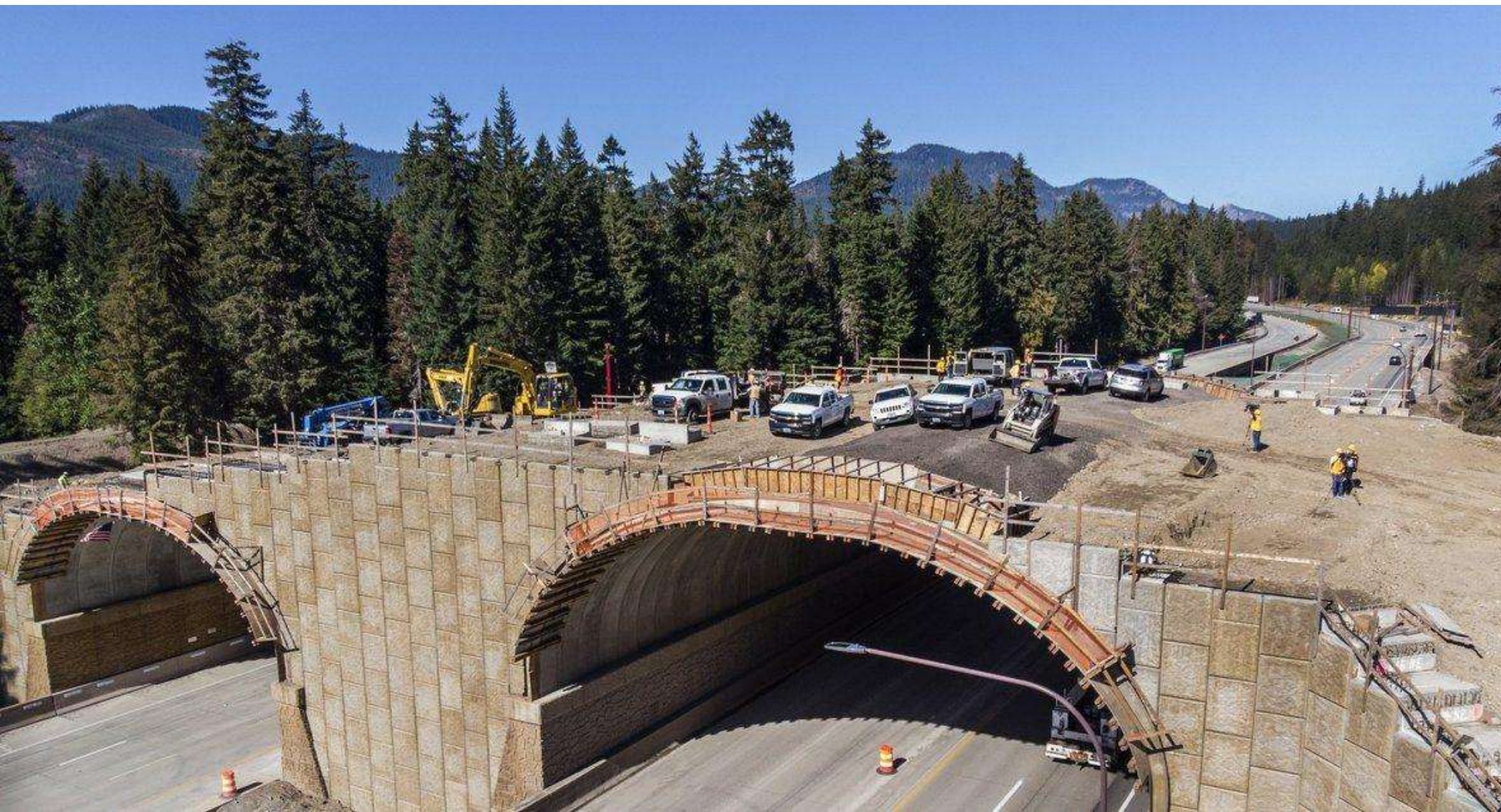
- CANDE Program uses the Finite Element method to model both the structure and the soil mass surrounding it capturing the nonlinear behavior of the structure, the soil and the soil-structure interface.
- Maximum soil cover is 6'-0" over 72' span
- Design live load was HL-93 (construction loading) or 320 psf snow load
- Seismic racking analysis per NCHRP Report 611: *Seismic Analysis and Design of Retaining Walls, Buried Structures, Slopes and Embankments*

I-90 Animal Crossing

BEBO
Precast
Concrete
Arches





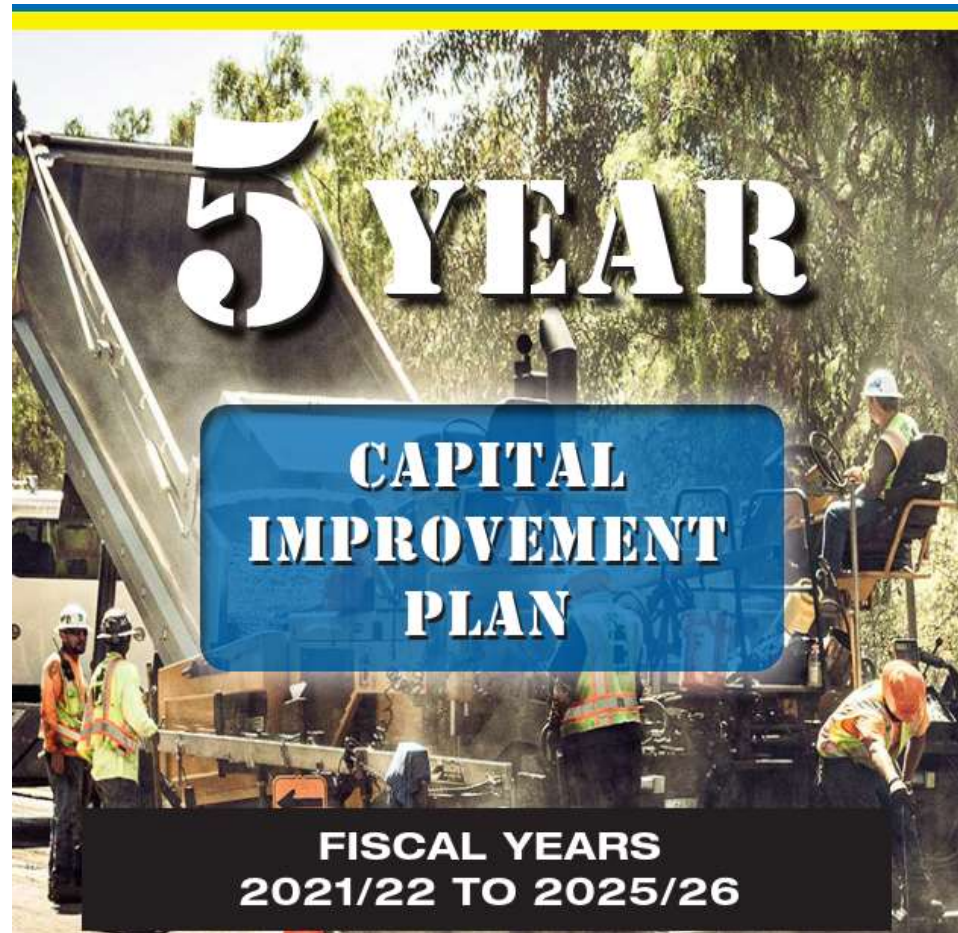




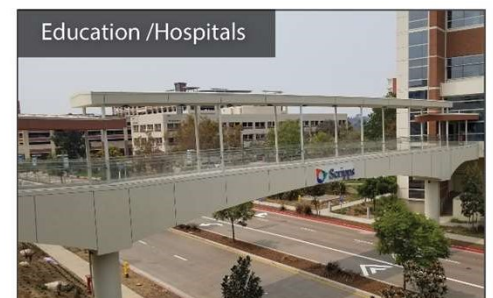
Where and how to utilize prefabricated
structures

Cost Effective Long-term Solution Development

- Prefabricated Structures save time and money and can enable agencies to complete more agency CIP projects.
- Save time and money on feasibility studies, engineering, material and construction.
- Contech can be utilized as a resource to develop estimates, feasibility planning, design and construction as a service.



Markets Served



Building Blocks to a Successful Project

**Solution
Development**

Design Support

Installation



DYO ALBC

Design your own ALBC project.
Products:
Aluminum Box Culvert



DYO PRECAST

Design your own Precast project.
Products:
CON/SPAN



DYO TRUSS

Design your on Truss project
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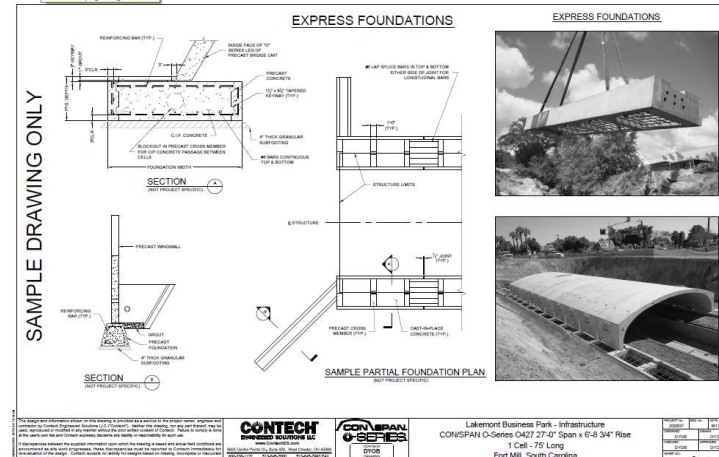
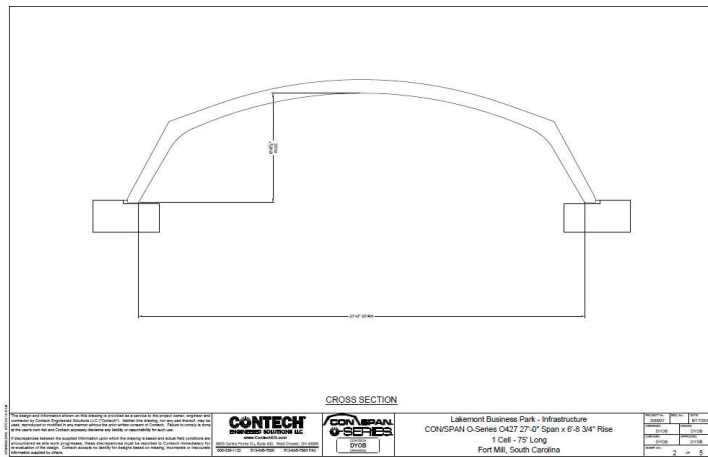
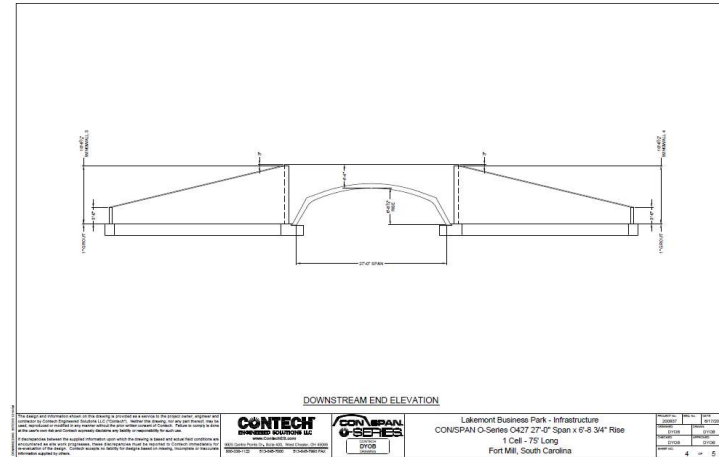
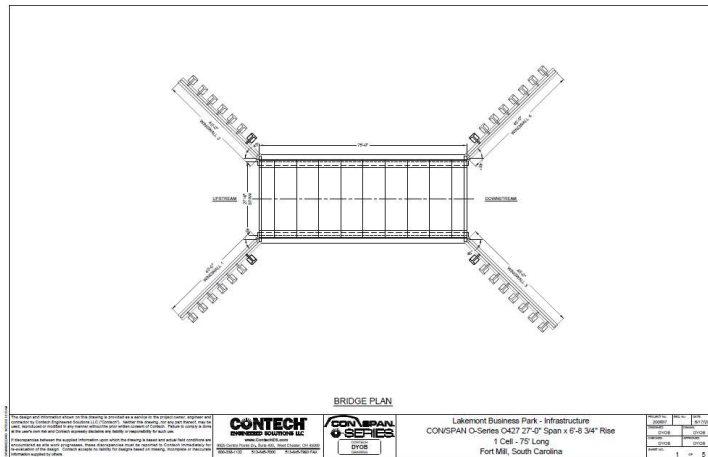
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Completed Structure

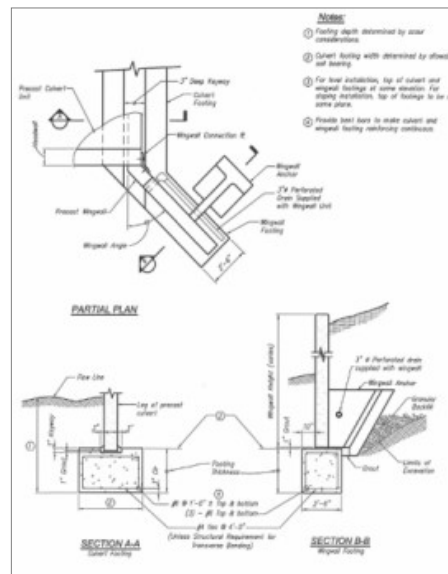
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Solution
Development

Design Support

Installation

- Horizontal and vertical reactions
- Foundation sizing
- Foundation design calculations
- Foundation drawings



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SAMPLE BRIDGE FOOTING CALCULATIONS

JOB #:

DATE: 24-Jul-02

NAME: Foundation Design Example

DESIGNER: (Engineer of Record shall be responsible for accuracy of calculations in this spreadsheet)

Note: (Engineer of Record shall be responsible for accuracy of calculations in this spreadsheet)

LOADS

Center of structure center	3.0 ft, max	vertical load, per leg, P_L	12.1 k/ft
Bridge span	20 ft	live load percentage	10%
Bridge rise	9.0 ft	horizontal load, per leg, H_L	0.8 k/ft
Base load	80.0 k/ft		

FOOTING WIDTH

Base load (1) for gals. 1 for no	0
Footing depth (incl. keyway), D	2.25 ft
Footing offset, e	0.0 in
Total load per footing	12.1 k/ft
Existing foundation depth	0.0 ft
Net allowable bearing	3.0 ksf
Gross allowable bearing	3.0 ksf
Total footing width	4.0 ft
Actual footing width, B	4.0 ft
Actual bearing load	2.00 ksf

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UNREINFORCED BENDING CHECK

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Building Blocks to a Successful Project

Solution
Development

Design Support

Installation

- **Attending Pre-Bid Meetings**
- **Holding Preconstruction Meeting**
- **Technical Support Available (FC on all Precast Installations)**



Questions?

CROSSINGS. CULVERTS. BRIDGES. CONTECH.

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Monitoring a Large Wildlife Crossing Structure System: Interstate 90, Snoqualmie Pass East

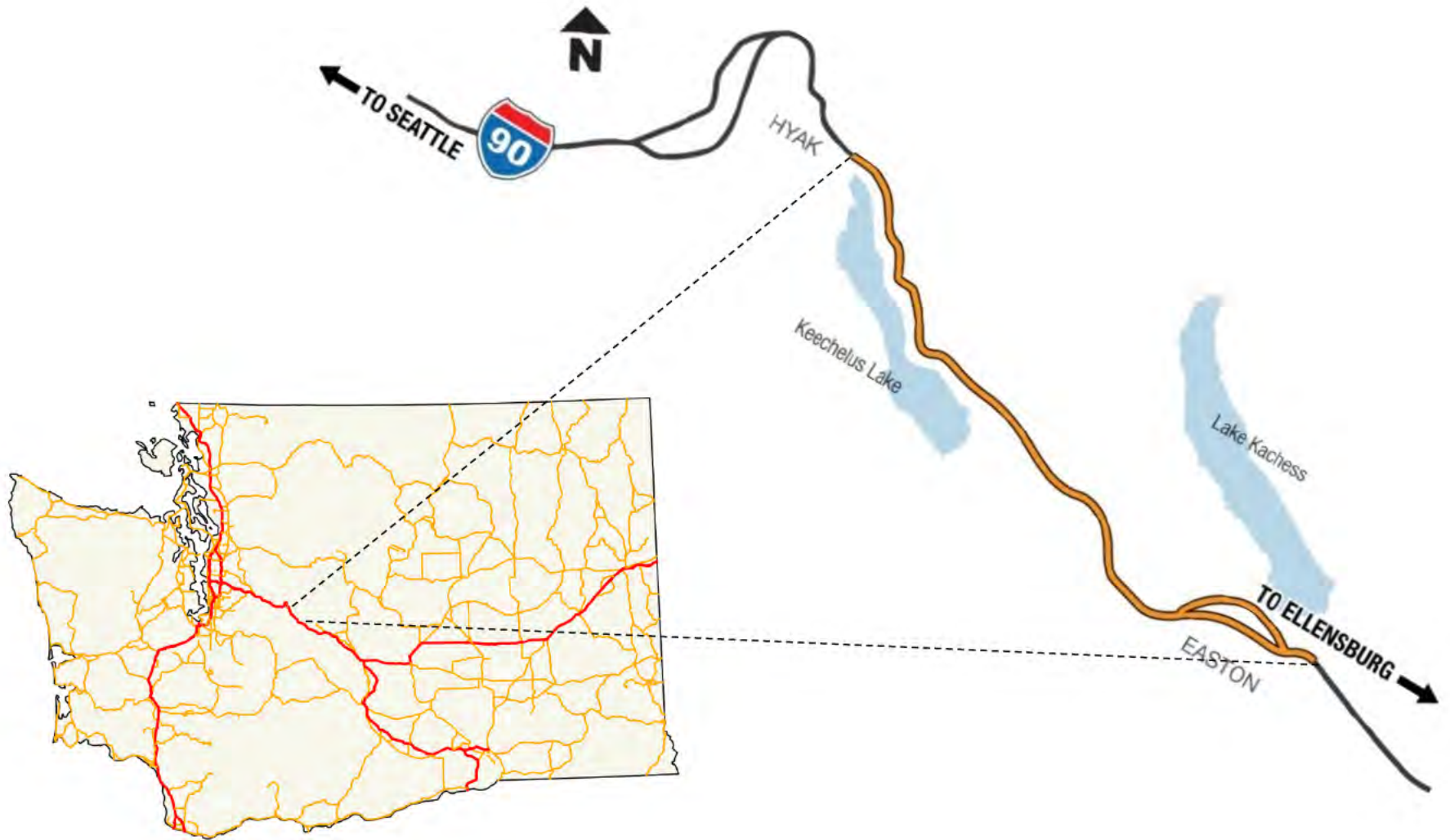


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I-90 SNOQUALMIE PASS EAST

Project Overview



I-90 SNOQUALMIE PASS EAST

Purpose and Need

Improve the highway



Structural Deficiencies – Replace deteriorating highway structures and travel lanes.



Traffic Volumes – Reduce traffic congestion by adding a new lane in each direction to accommodate projected traffic volumes for the next 20 years.



Protect the public



Avalanches – Reduce road closures and create a more reliable and safe highway.



Ecological Connectivity – Improve ecological connectivity across the highway and reduce risks of wildlife vehicle collisions.



Slope Instability - Stabilize rock slopes to minimize rock fall hazards, reduce lane closures and improve public safety.

Connectivity Emphasis Areas

Locations where WSDOT focused efforts to improve ecological connectivity by installing wildlife crossing structures.

Cascades Crossroads

<https://www.conservationnw.org/our-work/habitat/cascade-crossroads-film/>

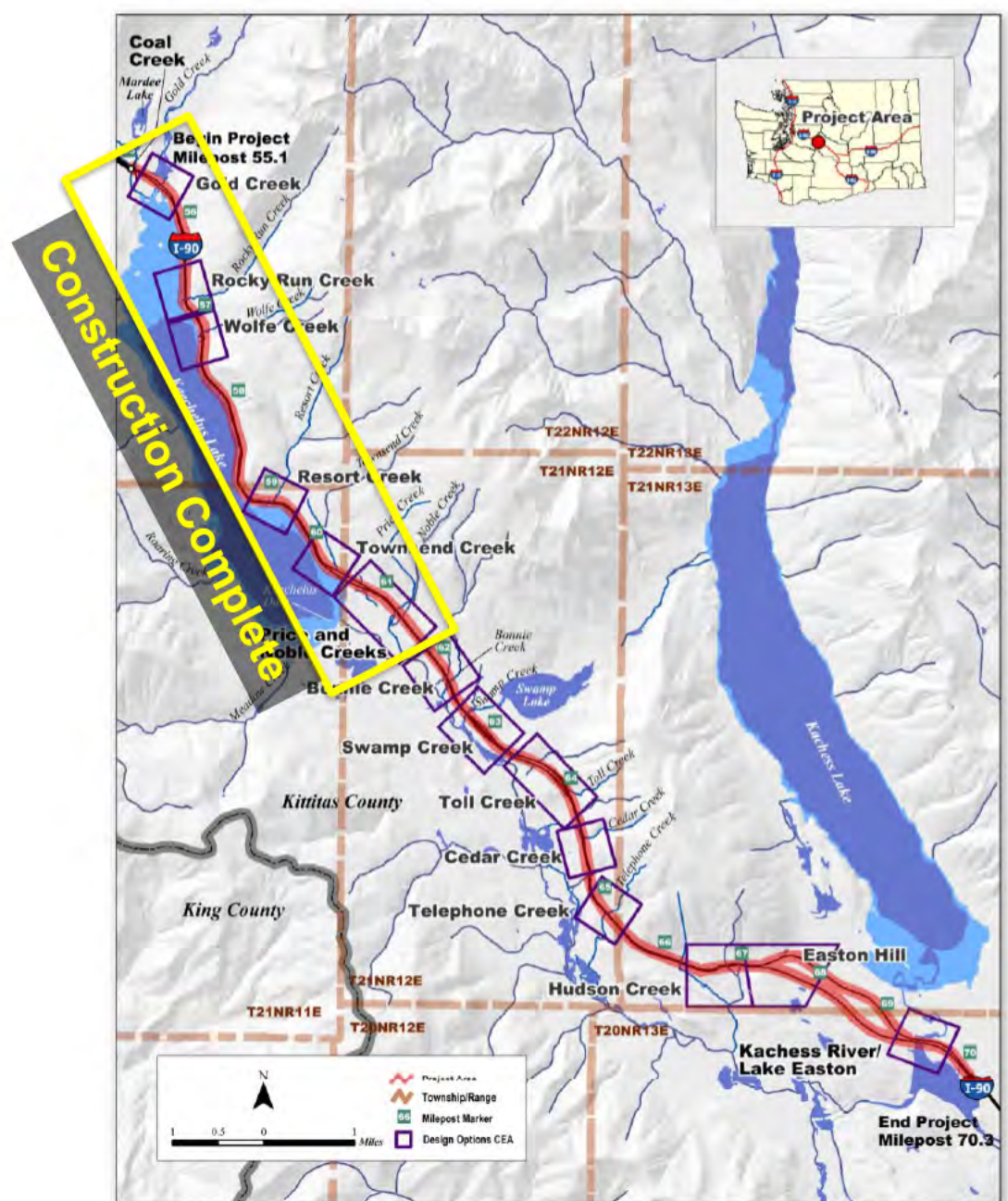
Critter Crossings in the Cascades

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Connectivity Emphasis Areas in the Project Area
Exhibit 1-1

Connectivity Emphasis Areas



Connectivity Emphasis Areas in the Project Area
Exhibit 1-1

Wildlife Monitoring Activities

WSDOT monitors use of the crossing structures and tracks wildlife vehicle collisions to assess project performance and inform future phases.

- Remote cameras
 - Trail cameras
 - Networked thermal and HD cameras
- Roadkill data – Maintenance



Trail Cameras

- Easy to deploy
- Trigger range of about 40'
- Flexible placement
- Self-contained
- Primary tool for pre-construction



Networked Thermal Cameras

- Long trigger range (tested to 1200')
- Detection context
- High detection reliability
- Real-time monitoring
- Greatly reduces travel time
- Customizable software – virtual trip lines and detection zones
- Pre-trigger capture



Networked Thermal Cameras

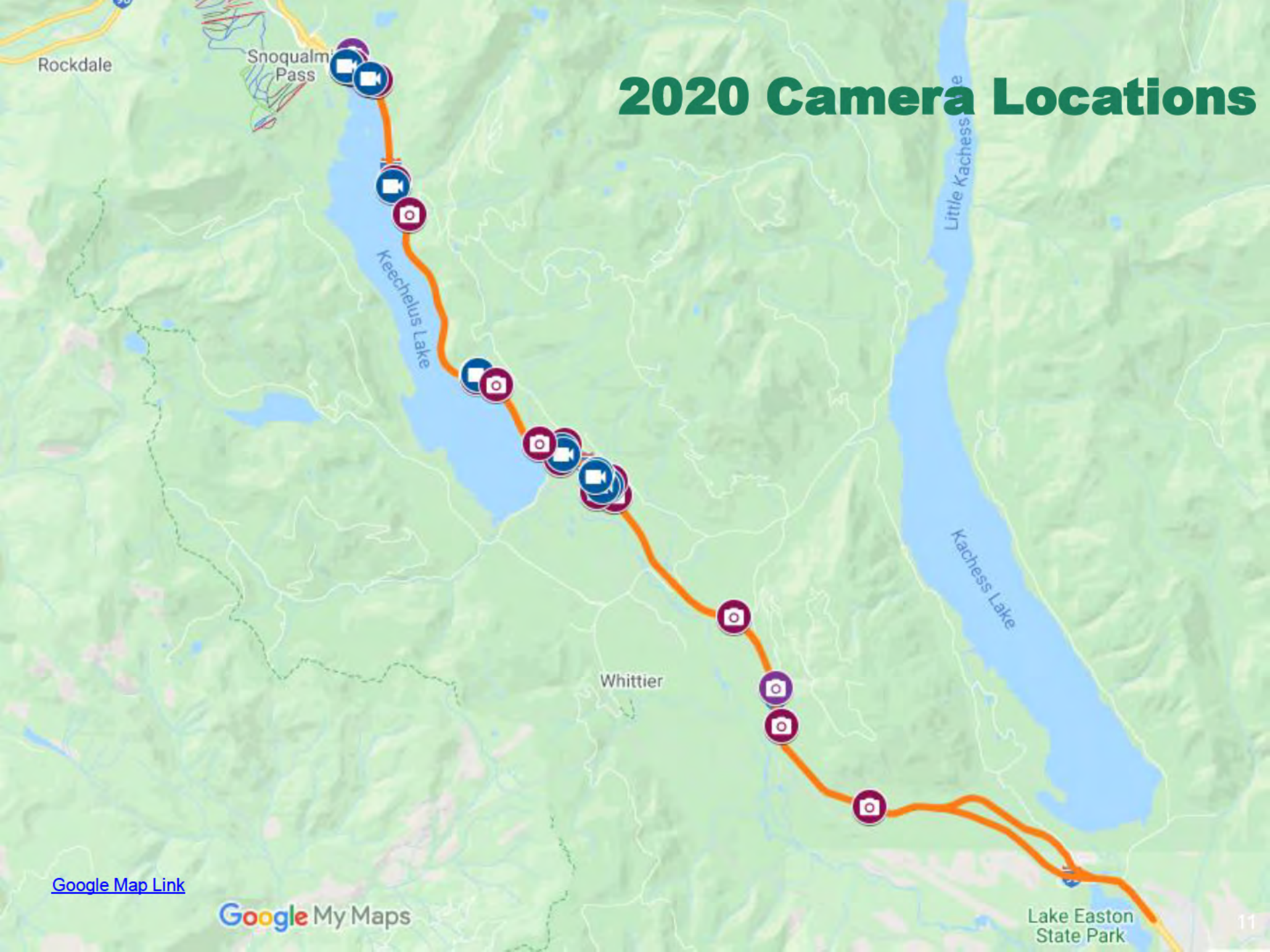


Network HD Cameras

- Full color 4k videos good for outreach
- Wide area coverage
- Pan, tilt, zoom capability
- Can be wired to use thermal camera's detection circuit to trigger on movement
- Real-time monitoring



2020 Camera Locations



[Google Map Link](#)

Google My Maps

Lake Easton State Park



I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Hyak to Easton Project



Proposed **Phase 1A and B (Completed)**

Proposed **Phase 1C (Under Construction)**

Proposed **Phase 2A (Under Construction)**

Proposed **Phase 4 (Construction 2026-2029)**

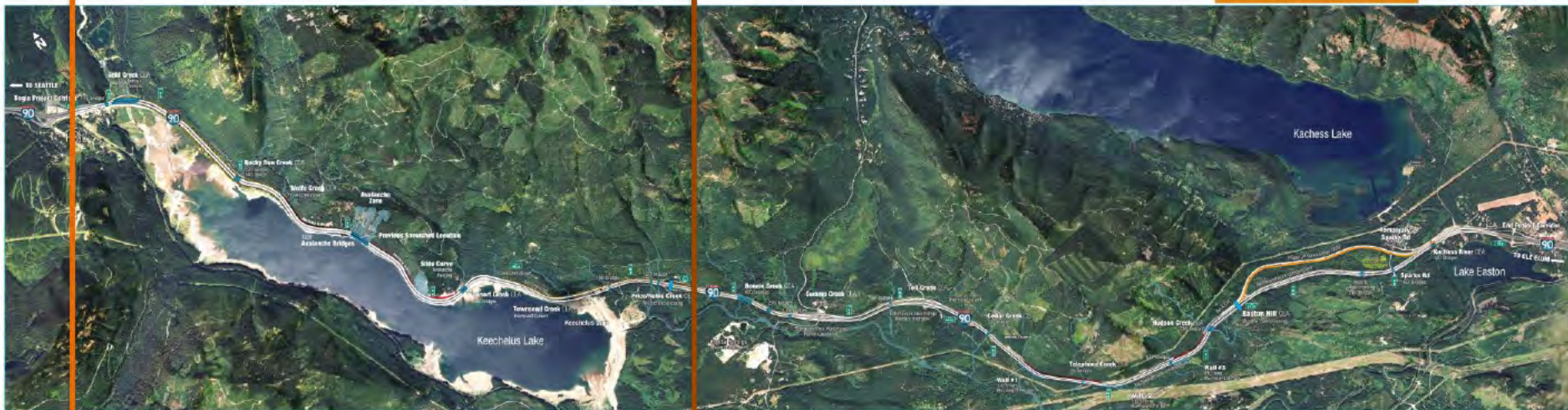
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Completed 2013

Scheduled Completion 2018

Scheduled Completion 2018

Phase 3A (Construction 2020-2021)



Complete



I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Hyak to Easton Project

Proposed **Phase 1A and B (Completed)**

Completed 2013

Proposed **Phase 1C (Under Construction)**

Scheduled Completion 2018

Proposed **Phase 2A (Under Construction)**

Scheduled Completion 2018





Hyak Undercrossing

120' wide x 20' high x 118' long
Openness ratio: 20.34

Constructed: 2012
Planted: 2015
Fenced: 2019



Hyak Undercrossing

2020 = **381** crossings

- 5 bobcat
- 35 coyote
- 302 deer
- 26 elk
- 1 fisher
- 12 hare

2021 = **364** crossings

- 13 bobcat
- 31 coyote
- 260 deer
- 50 elk
- 2 raccoon
- 8 hare

Notes: First fisher
detection in 2020!

Hyak Undercrossing





Gold Creek Bridges

~1,000' wide x 30' high x 160' long

Openness ratio: ~168.75

Constructed: 2012

Planted: 2015

Fenced: 2019



Gold Creek Bridges – Upper Keechelus Lake

Gold Creek Bridges

2020 = 446 crossings

- 1 bobcat
- 79 coyote
- 293 deer
- 53 elk
- 2 hare
- 14 beaver
- 4 otter

2021 = 746 crossings

- 10 bobcat
- 79 coyote
- 473 deer
- 123 elk
- 6 hare
- 41 beaver
- 11 otter
- 1 black bear

Gold Creek Bridges



Gold Creek Bridges





I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Hyak to Easton Project

Proposed **Phase 1A and B (Completed)**

Completed 2013

Proposed **Phase 1C (Under Construction)**

Scheduled Completion 2018

Proposed **Phase 2A (Under Construction)**

Scheduled Completion 2018





Rocky Run Creek

120' wide x ~10' high x 190' long

Openness ratio: ~6.32

Constructed: 2012

Planted: 2015

Fenced: 2019



Rocky Run Creek Pre-Construction



Rocky Run Creek Post-Construction

An aerial photograph showing a multi-lane highway bridge crossing a river. The river has a rocky bed and reddish-brown water. The surrounding area is densely forested with evergreen trees. A road with a car is visible above the bridge. A small yellow construction vehicle is on the bridge deck. Orange traffic cones are placed along the bridge edges.

2020 = 281 crossings

- 245 deer
- 35 coyote
- 1 beaver

2021 = 322 crossings

- 270 deer
- 49 coyote
- 1 bobcat
- 2 raccoon

Rocky Run Creek



Rocky Run Creek





I-90 Snoqualmie Pass East Hyak to Easton Project

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Completed 2013

Proposed **Phase 1C (Under Construction)**

Scheduled Completion 2018

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Scheduled Completion 2018



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Oversized culvert

Add chain-up

Resort Creek CEA

145' bridges

Townsend Creek CEA

Oversized Culvert

Keechelus

Resort Creek

140' wide x 30' high x 163' long

Openness ratio: 26.63

Constructed: 2015

Planted: 2017

Fenced: 2019

**Resort Creek
Pre-Construction**



**Resort Creek
Post-Construction**

Resort Creek

2020 = 177 crossings

- 104 deer
- 44 coyote
- 8 hare
- 1 beaver
- 1 otter
- 1 bobcat
- 2 raccoon
- 2 weasel
- 14 marmot

2021 = 53 crossings

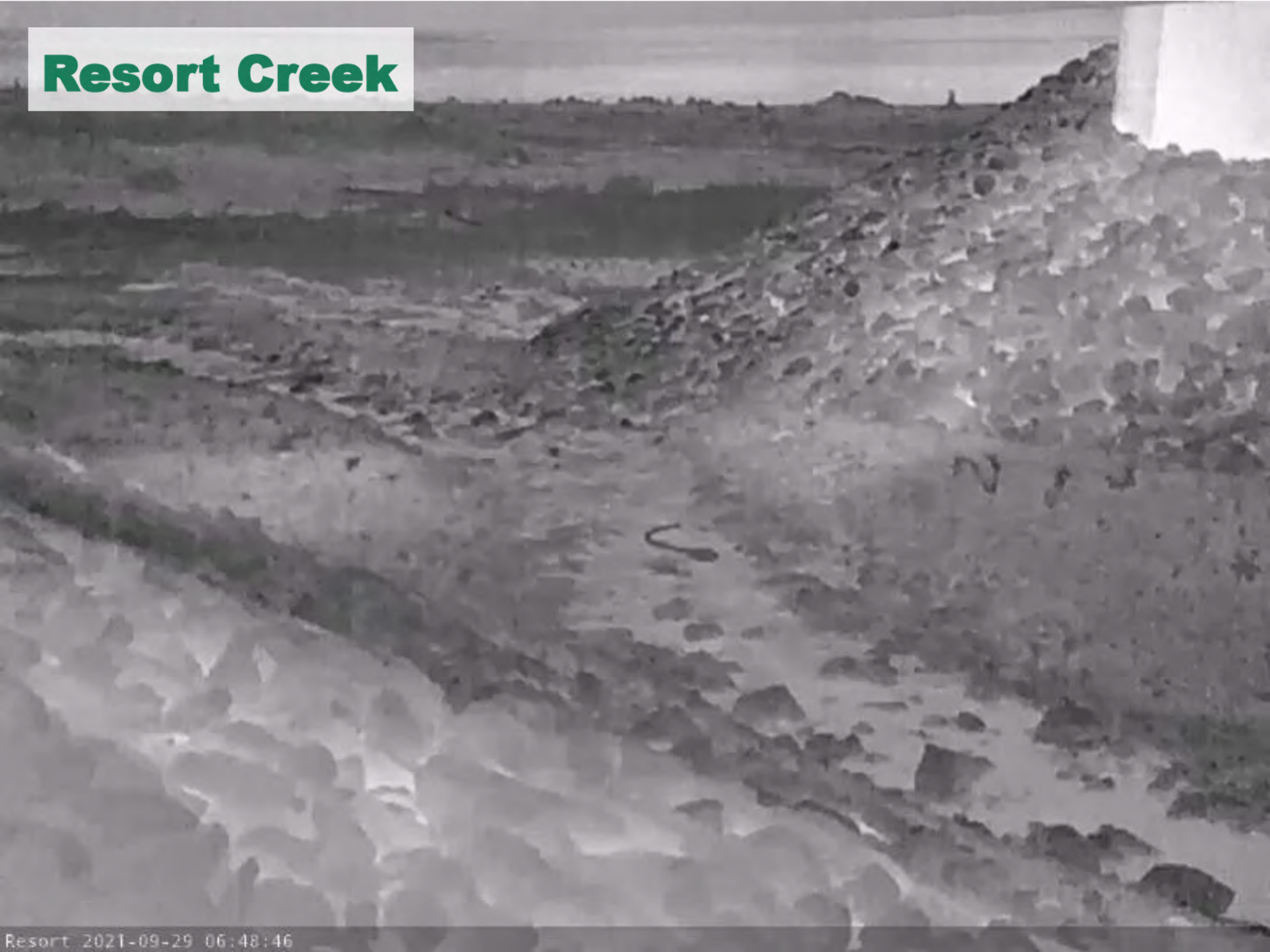
- 19 deer
- 23 coyote
- 1 hare
- 1 beaver
- 1 otter
- 1 badger
- 5 raccoon
- 2 marten



Resort Creek



Resort Creek





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Completed 2013

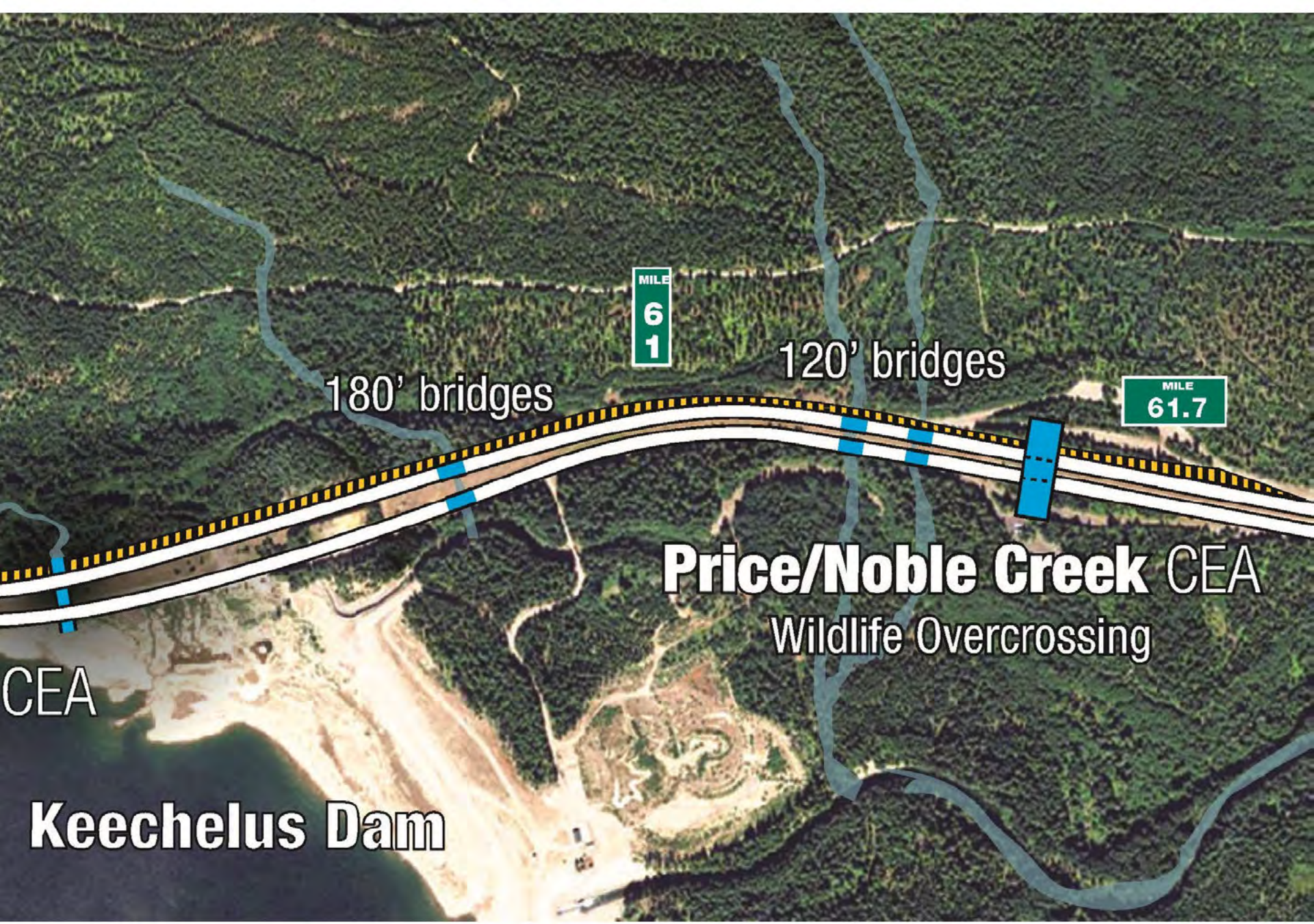
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Scheduled Completion 2018





MP 60.9

Pre-Construction



MP 60.9 Undercrossing

180' wide x 24' high x 220' long
Openness ratio: 19.64

Constructed: 2018
Planted: 2021
Fenced: 2019



Post-Construction

MP 60.9 Undercrossing

2020 = 1,016 crossings

- 499 deer
- 462 elk
- 45 coyote
- 6 hare
- 3 raccoon
- 1 cougar!!

2021 = 739 crossings

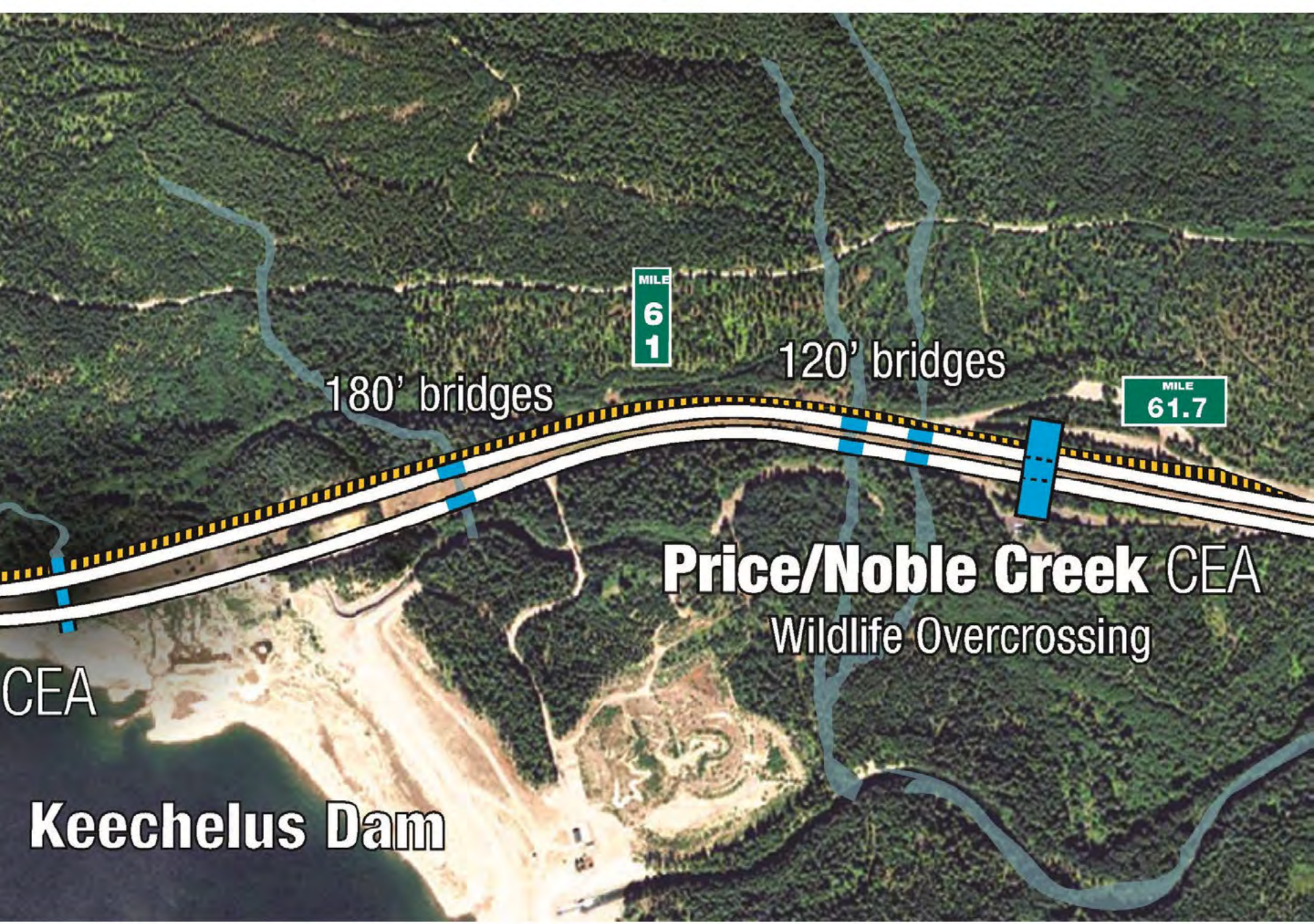
- 308 deer
- 381 elk
- 14 coyote
- 7 hare
- 4 raccoon
- 2 bobcat
- 23 marmot

MP 60.9 Undercrossing



MP 60.9 Undercrossing





CEA

Keechelus Dam

MILE
61

180' bridges

120' bridges

MILE
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Price/Noble Creek CEA
Wildlife Overcrossing

Price Creek

Post-Construction

Pre-Construction



Price Creek Bridges

120' wide x 35' high x 180' long
Openness ratio: 23.33

Constructed: 2018
Planted: 2020
Fenced: 2019

2020 = 457 crossings

- 288 deer
- 150 elk
- 12 coyote
- 1 hare
- 5 raccoon
- 1 otter

2021 = 505 crossings

- 343 deer
- 139 elk
- 1 bobcat
- 4 hare
- 16 raccoon
- 1 otter
- 1 skunk



Price Creek Bridges



Price Creek Bridges



Noble Creek

Pre-Construction



Noble Creek Bridges

120' wide x ~22' high x 185' long
Openness ratio: ~14.27

Constructed: 2018
Planted: 2020
Fenced: 2019



2020 = 463 crossings

- 241 deer
- 215 elk
- 3 coyote
- 4 raccoon

2021 = 491 crossings

- 200 deer
- 276 elk
- 1 coyote
- 1 hare
- 10 raccoon
- 2 otter
- 1 weasel

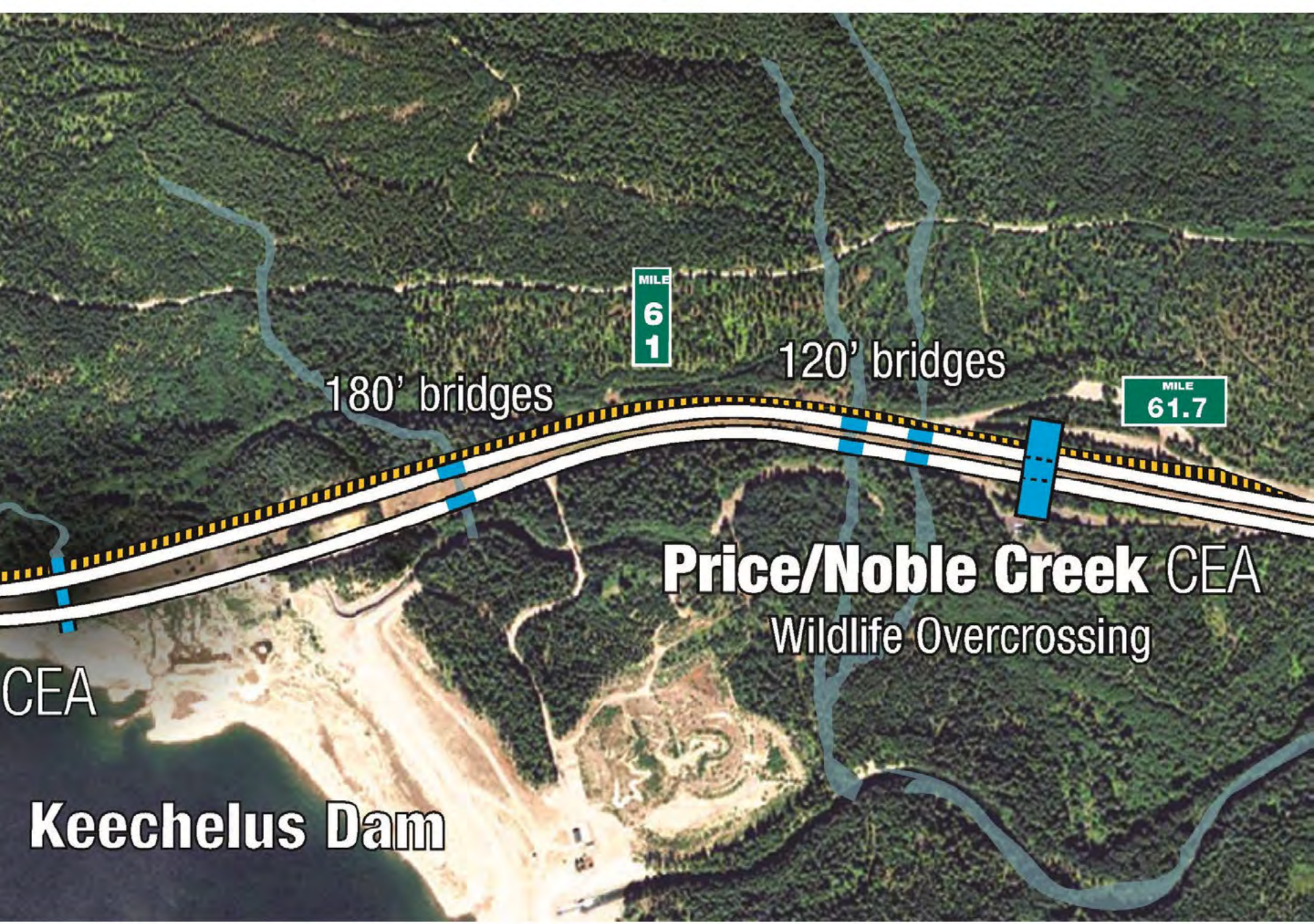
Post-Construction

Noble Creek Bridges



Noble Creek Bridges





Keechelus Overcrossing

150' wide x 215' long

Constructed: 2018
Planted: 2020
Fenced: 2019

2020 = 1,004 crossings

- 307 deer
- 458 elk
- 225 coyote
- 8 hare
- 5 bobcat
- 1 skunk

2021 = 1,143 crossings

- 187 deer
- 876 elk
- 87 coyote
- 1 hare
- 1 bobcat

Keechelus Overcrossing



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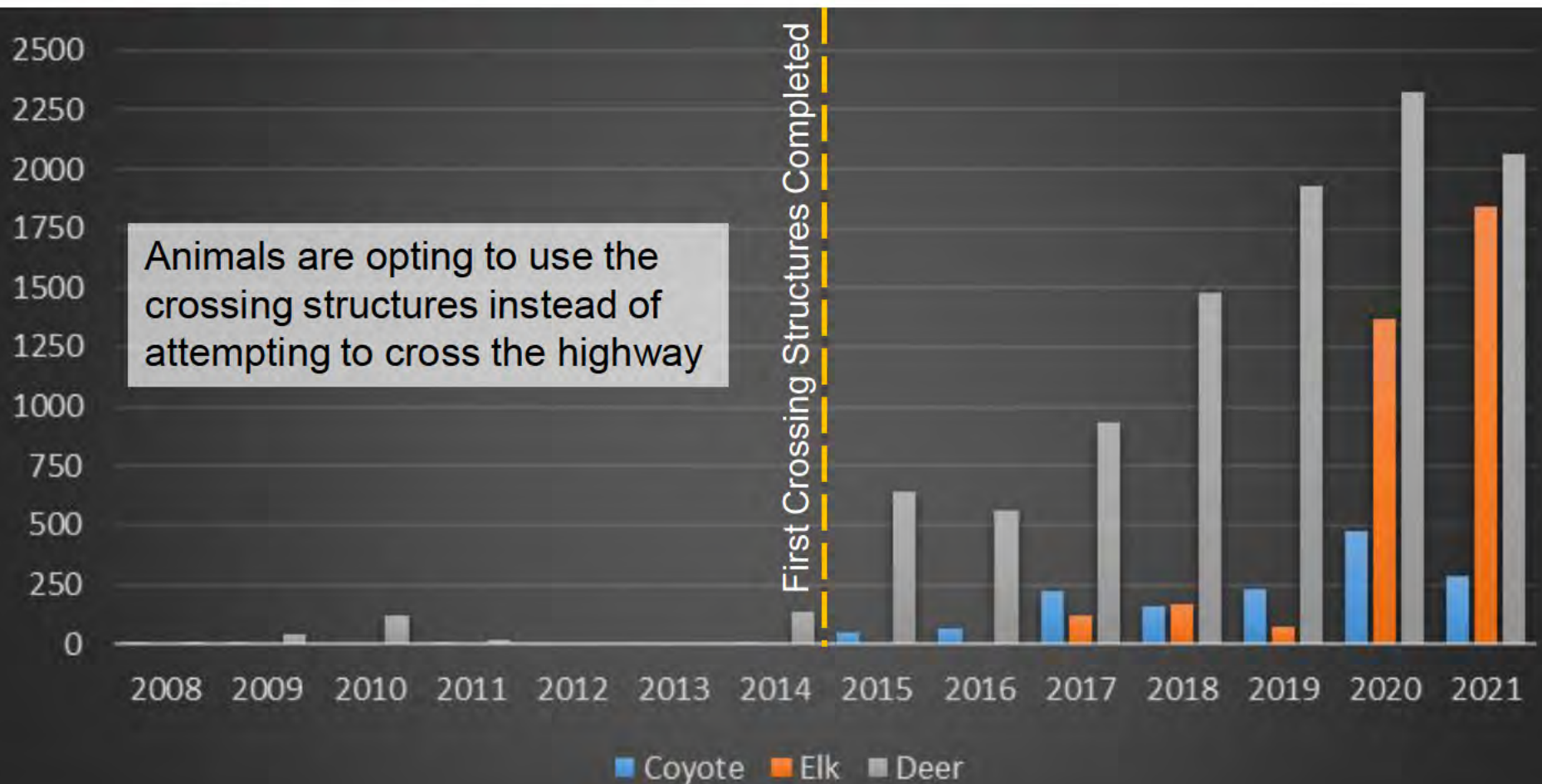


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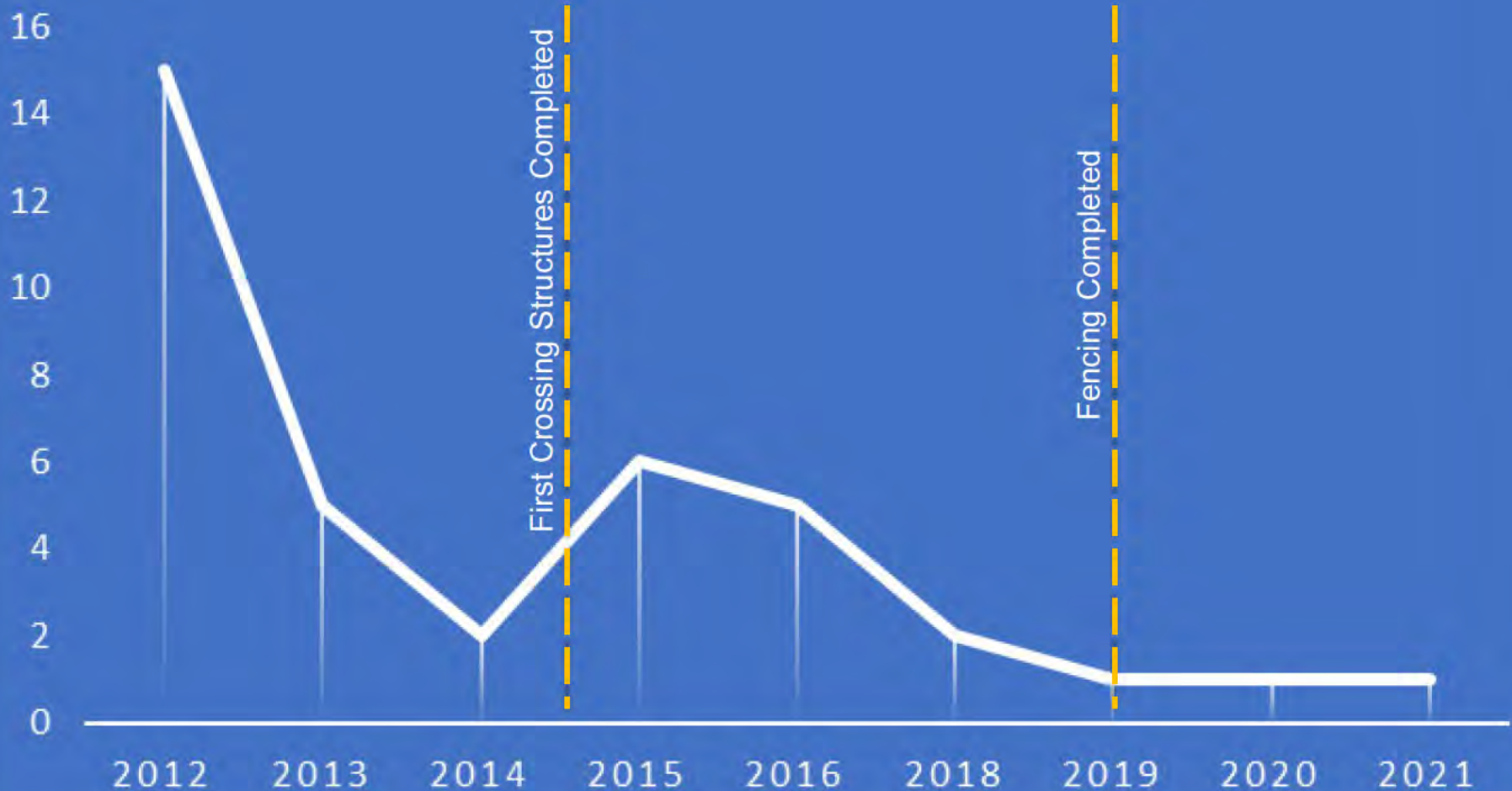
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Wildlife Crossings 2008 - 2021



Wildlife-Vehicle Collisions

WILDLIFE CARCASS REMOVALS, PHASES 1 AND 2



WSDOT/CWU I-90 Partnership

Central Washington University (CWU) has been monitoring **small mammals**, **amphibians**, **reptiles**, and **fish** on the I-90 Project under a research agreement with WSDOT since 2008. This partnership provides a cost-effective way to meet the project's wildlife monitoring commitments and aligns well with the goal areas of WSDOT's Strategic Plan.



CWU
Small mammals



Shrew



Flying squirrel



Chipmunk



- Pika are often observed living in the highway rock embankment.



CWU

Small mammals



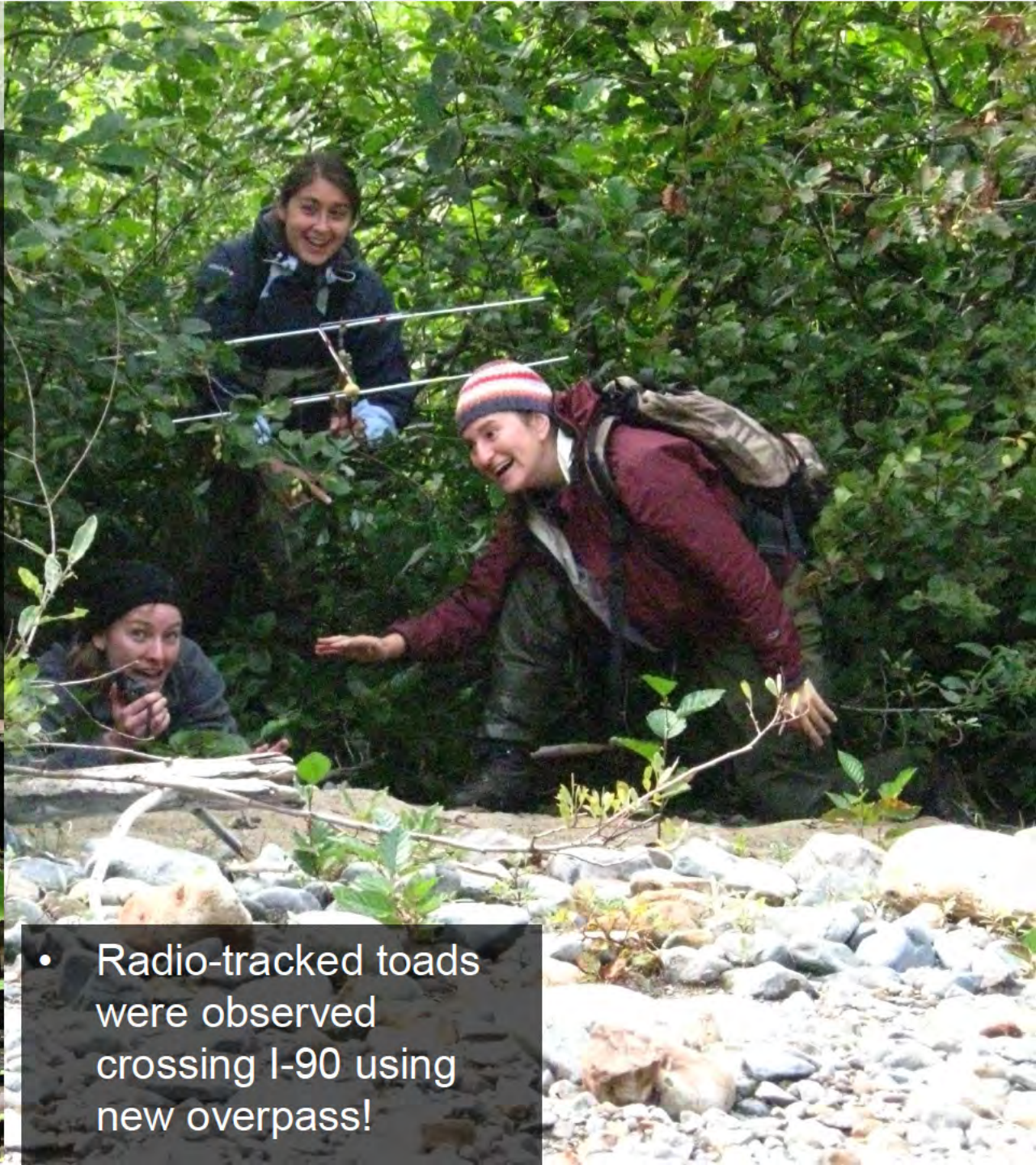
CWU
Amphibians



CWU

Amphibians

- Western toad populations are declining throughout its range
- Toads were observed breeding at the Townsend Creek mitigation site and at the south end of the new overpass!



- Radio-tracked toads were observed crossing I-90 using new overpass!

CWU

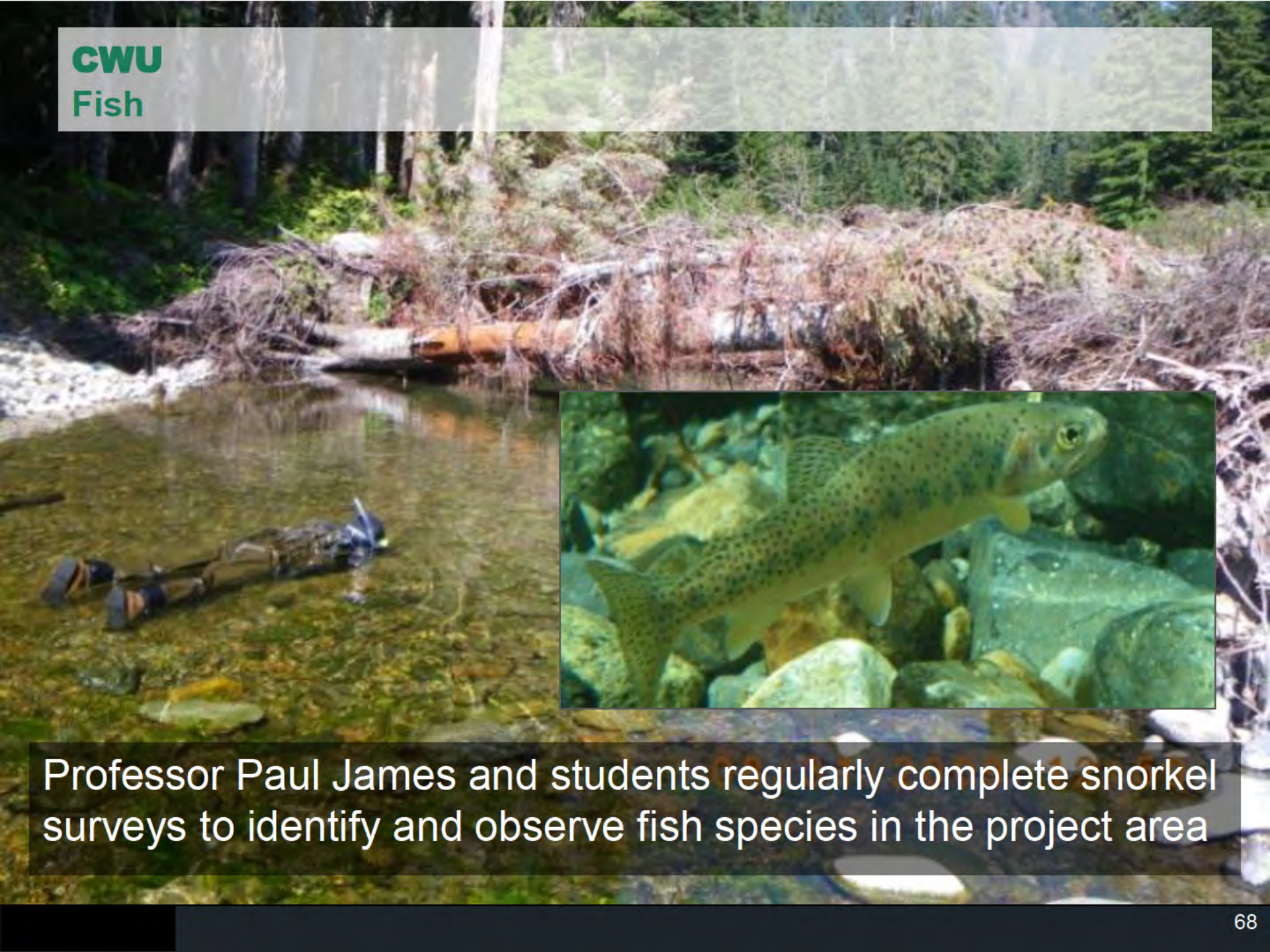
Amphibians – Coastal Giant Salamander

- Coastal giant salamanders can grow to 13+ inches long!
- It is one of the most common amphibian species found in the project area.

- Price Creek Underpass
 - 5 days after construction a salamander moved into stream bed
 - One adult documented crossing I-90 safely and relocating upstream of structure the next year
- Wolfe Creek Oversized Culvert
 - New artificial streambed inhabited by coastal giant salamanders







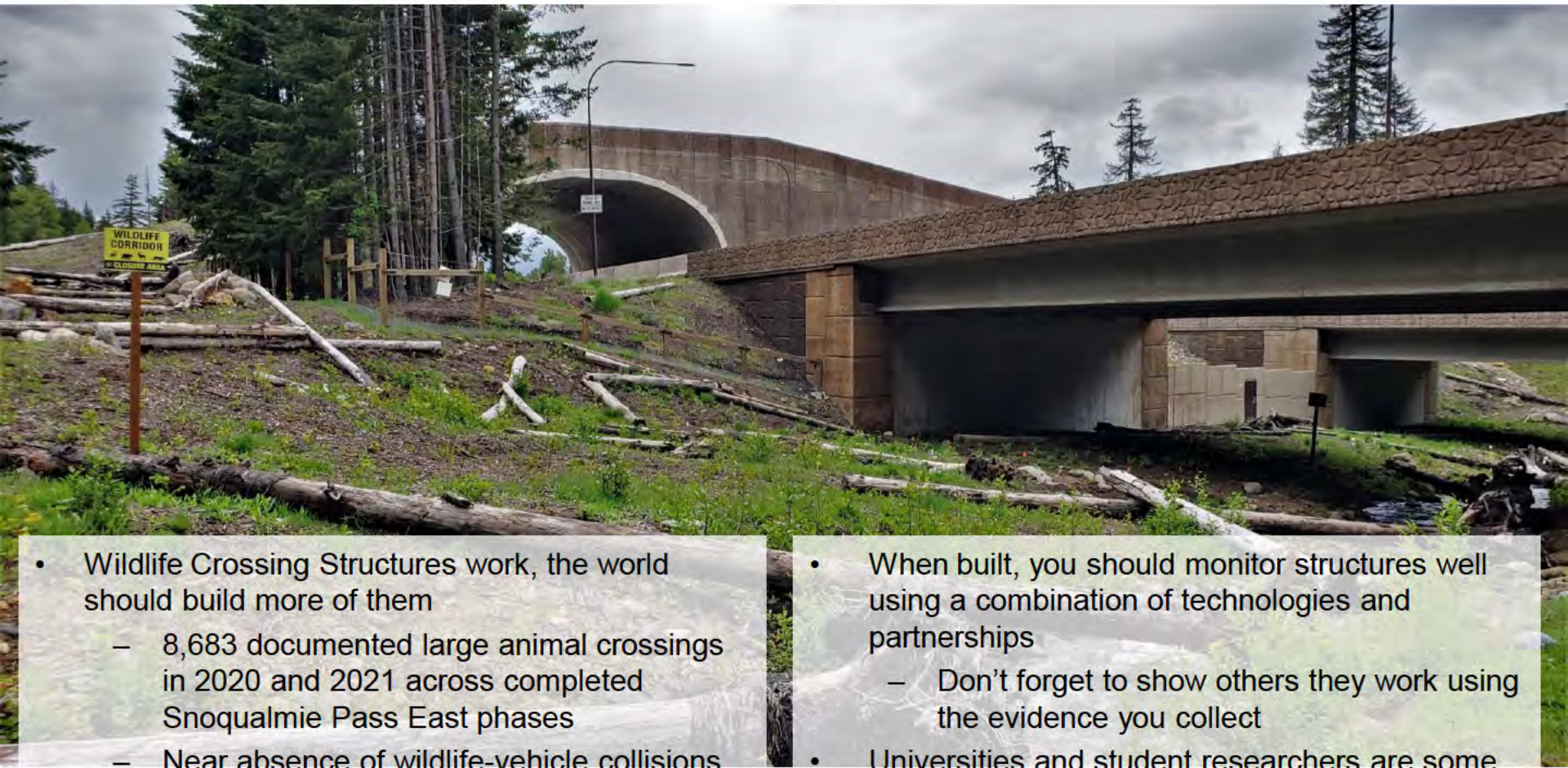
Professor Paul James and students regularly complete snorkel surveys to identify and observe fish species in the project area

CWU
Fish



- At least:
 - 75 Student Technicians
 - 10 Master's Theses
 - 6 Undergraduate Projects
 - 56 student and professor presentations to diverse audiences
 - 3 of 5 project team awards at the 2019 International Conference on Ecology and Transportation (ICOET)

In Summary...



- Wildlife Crossing Structures work, the world should build more of them
 - 8,683 documented large animal crossings in 2020 and 2021 across completed Snoqualmie Pass East phases
 - Near absence of wildlife-vehicle collisions in completed phases

- When built, you should monitor structures well using a combination of technologies and partnerships
 - Don't forget to show others they work using the evidence you collect
- Universities and student researchers are some of the best partners you can find
 - Anybody out there looking for new hires with road ecology knowledge, let us know

Questions?



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- May 21 - June 2, 2022

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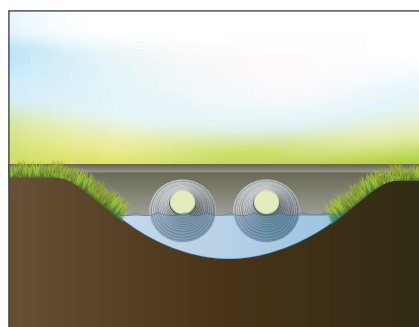
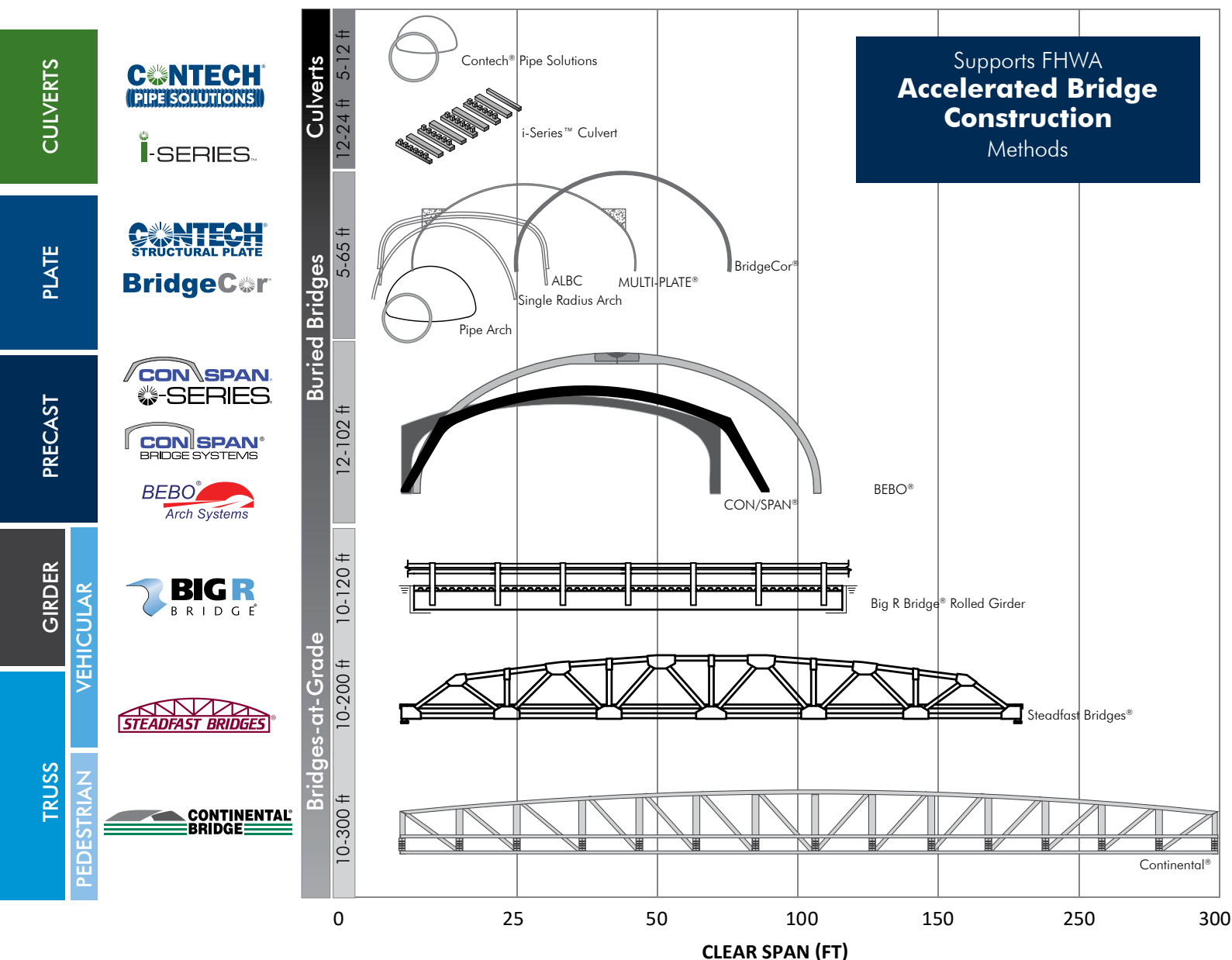
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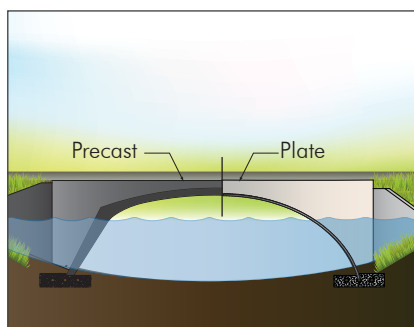
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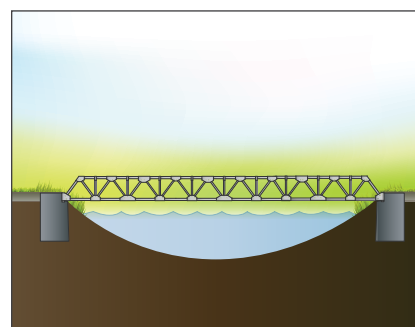
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CULVERT



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BRIDGE AT-GRADE

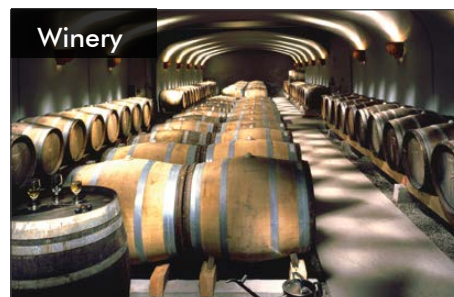
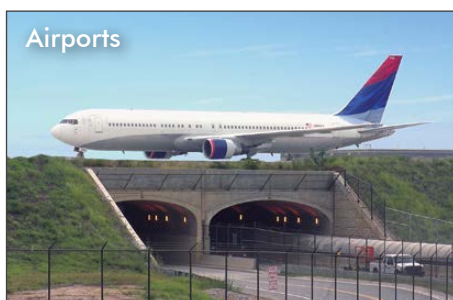
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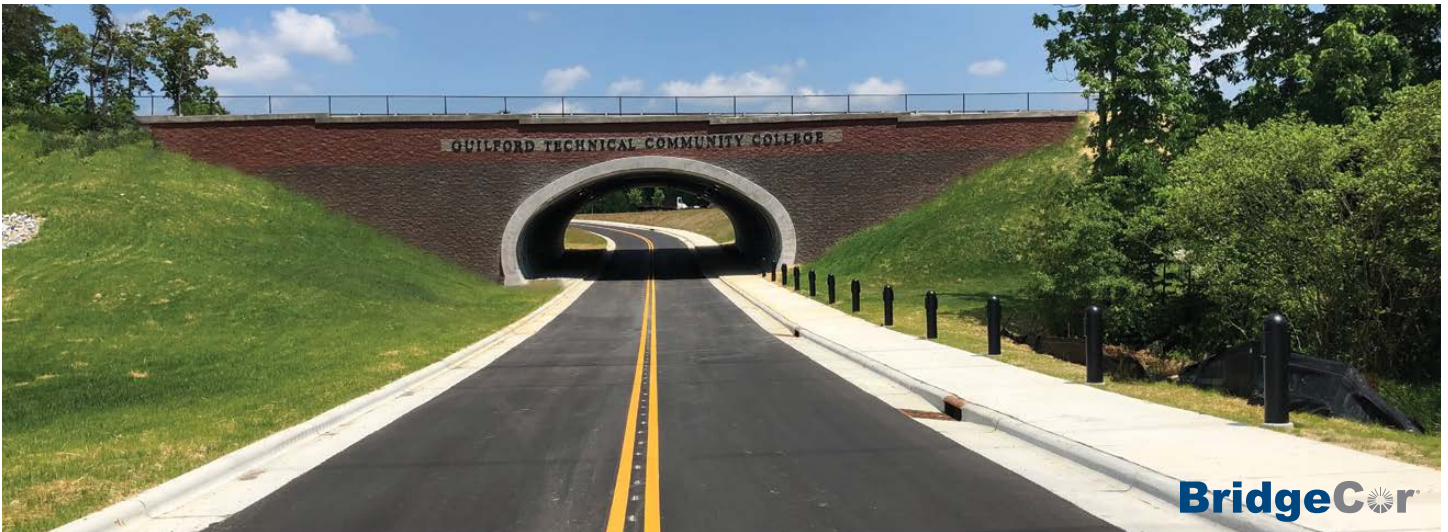
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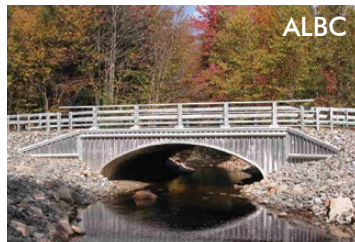
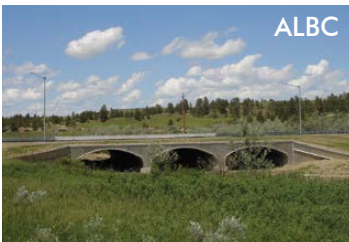
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STEEL	6" X 2" CORRUGATION									
	Gage	12	10	8	7	5	3	1	5/16	3/8
ALUMINUM	15" X 5 1/2" CORRUGATION									
	Thickness	.111	.140	.170	.188	.218	.249	.280	.318	.380
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	Thickness	.125	.150	.175	.200	.225	.250			

ONE BRIDGE = ONE TRUCK


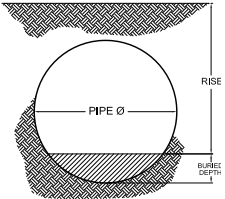
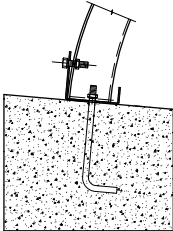
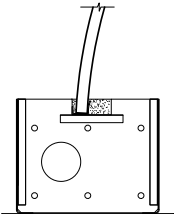


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





Foundations

FOUNDATION OPTIONS			
Full Invert	Buried Invert	Strip Footing with Channel	EXPRESS® Foundations
			

End Treatments



Shape Versatility

SHAPES			STRUCTURE SIZE RANGES - INSIDE SPAN X RISE		
			MULTI-PLATE® 6" x 2" Steel	BridgeCor® 15" x 5.5" Steel	ALSP 9" x 2.5" Aluminum
Round		min.	5'-0"	19'-11"	6'-0"
		max.	26'-0"	50'-6"	21'-0"
Vertical Ellipse		min.	4'-8" x 5'-2"		4'-8" x 5'-2"
		max.	25'-0" x 27'-8"		20'-1" x 22'-3"
Underpass		min.	12'-2" x 11'-0"		12'-1" x 11'-0"
		max.	20'-4" x 17'-9"		20'-5" x 17'-9"
Single Radius Arch		min.	6'-0" x 1'-10"	19'-7" x 9'-9"	5'-0" x 1'-9"
		max.	26'-0" x 13'-1"	54'-4" x 27'-2"	23'-0" x 11'-11"
Two Radius Arch		min.		18'-5" x 8'-4"	
		max.		50'-7" x 19'-11"	
Horizontal Ellipse		min.	7'-4" x 5'-6"		9'-2" x 6'-8"
		max.	14'-11" x 11'-2"		14'-11" x 11'-2"
Pipe Arch		min.	6'-1" x 4'-7"		6'-7" x 5'-8"
		max.	20'-7" x 13'-2"		21'-11" x 14'-11"
Low-Profile Arch SUPER-SPAN™ / SUPER-PLATE®		min.	19'-5" x 6'-9"		19'-5" x 6'-9"
		max.	45'-0" x 18'-8"		38'-8" x 15'-9"
High Profile Arch SUPER-SPAN™ / SUPER-PLATE®		min.	20'-1" x 9'-1"		20'-1" x 9'-1"
		max.	35'-4" x 20'-0"		35'-5" x 20'-0"
Horizontal Ellipse SUPER-SPAN™ / SUPER-PLATE®		min.	19'-4" x 12'-9"		19'-4" x 12'-9"
		max.	37'-2" x 22'-2"		37'-3" x 22'-2"
Pear-Arch SUPER-SPAN™		min.	23'-11" x 23'-4"		
		max.	30'-4" x 25'-10"		
Pear SUPER-SPAN™		min.	23'-8" x 25'-5"		
		max.	29'-11" x 31'-3"		
Box Culvert		min.		17'-6" x 6'-10"	8'-9" x 2'-6"
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Custom sizes and shapes are available.

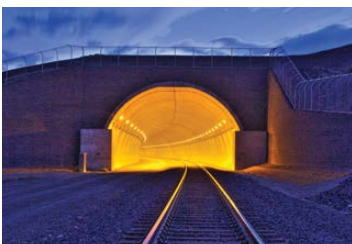
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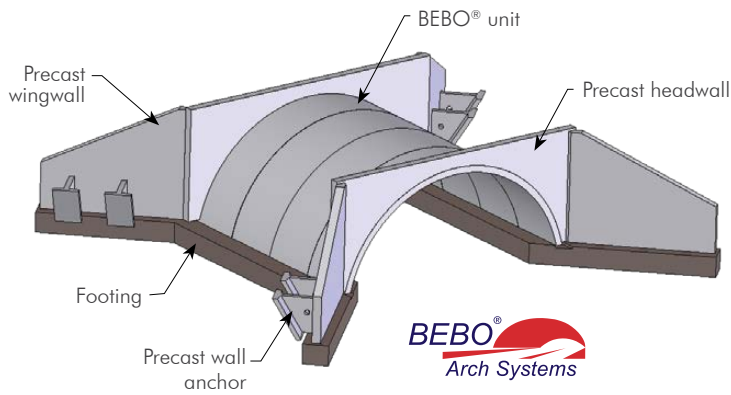
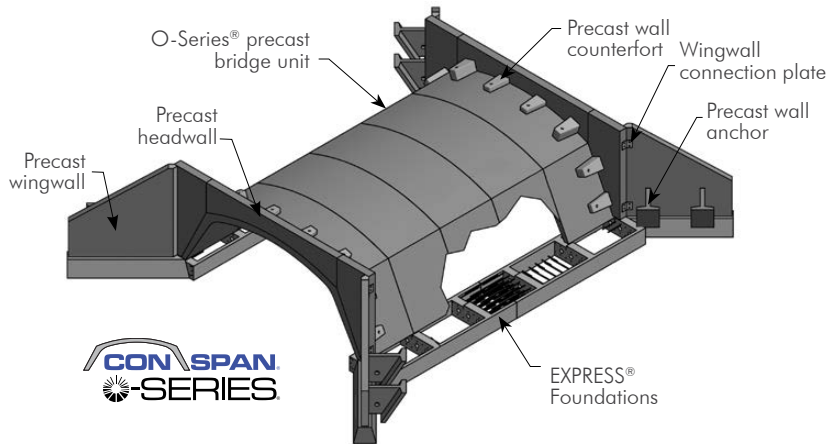


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Installation

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PRECAST HEADWALLS



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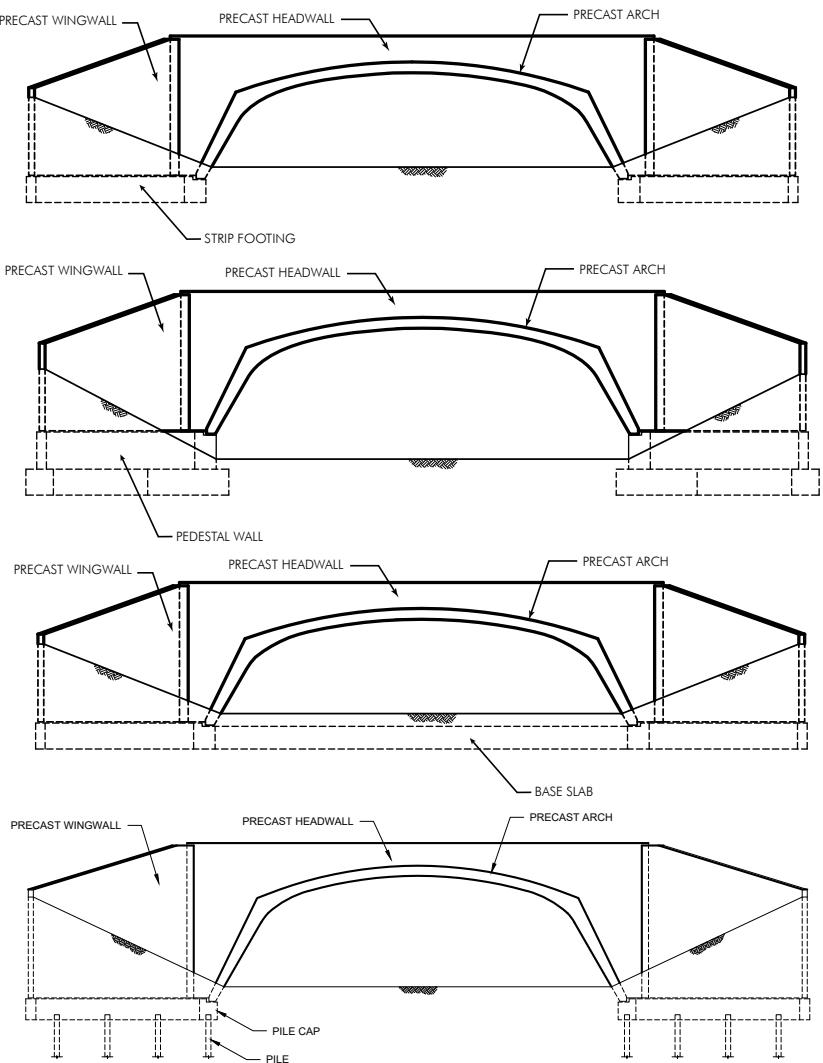


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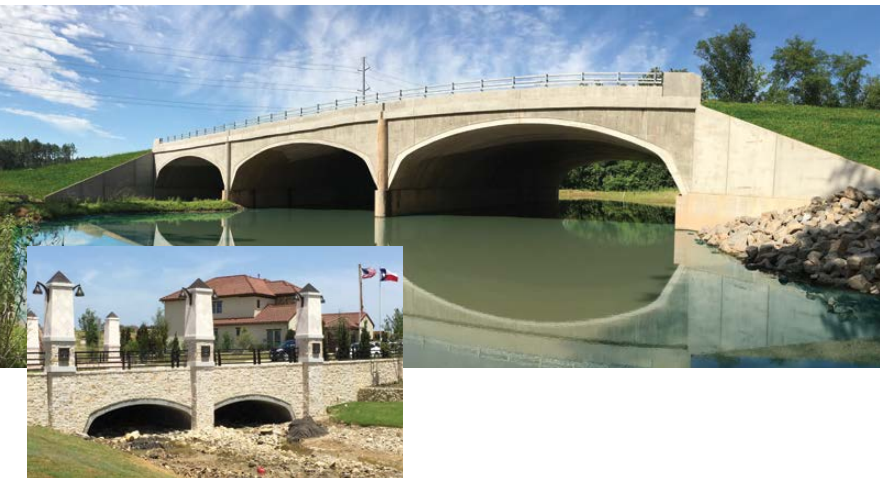
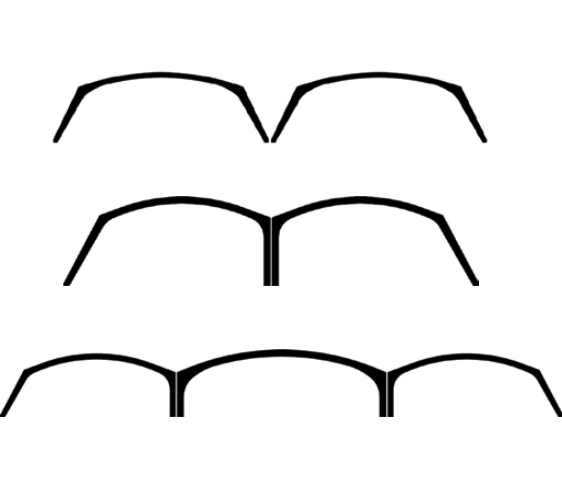


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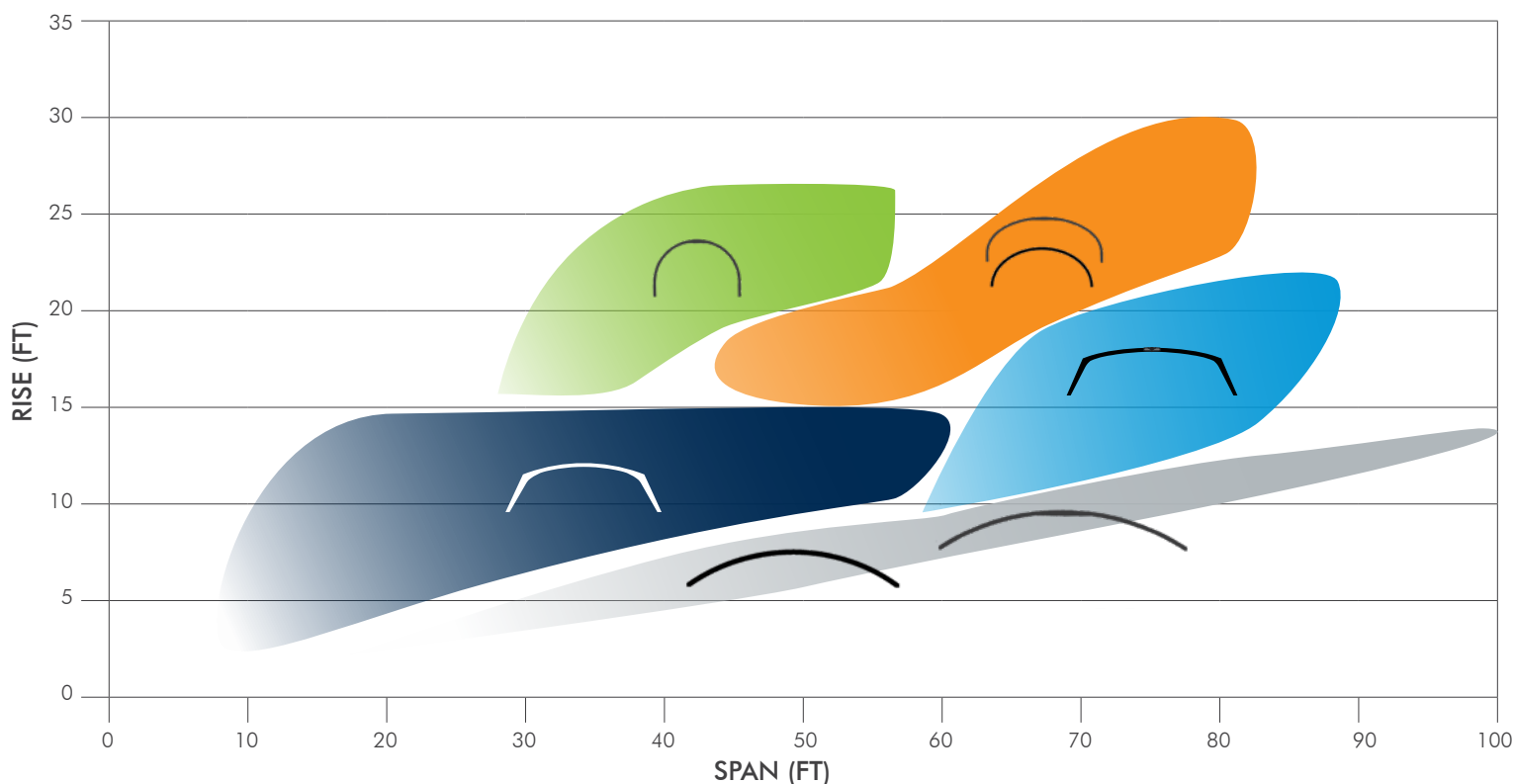
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Multiple cell configurations



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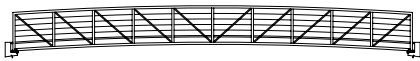
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BEBO®		C-Series Twin Leaf		Grade separation, high rise, high covers	29.33 - 54	11.33 - 26.33	260 - 1140
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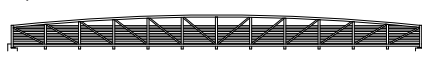


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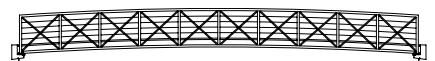
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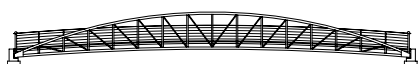
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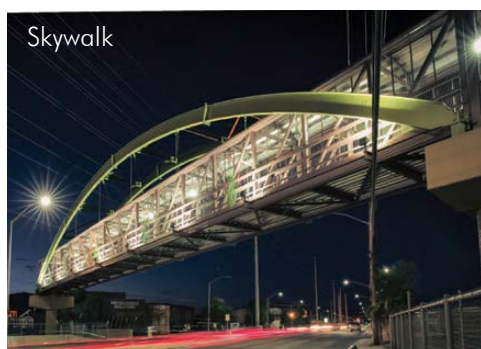
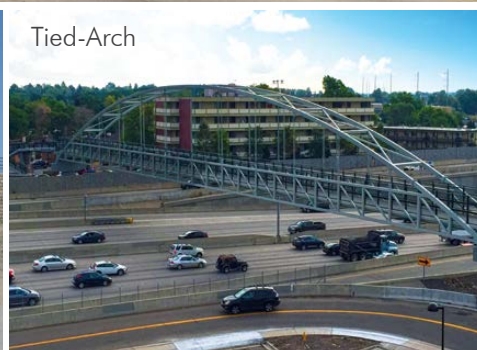
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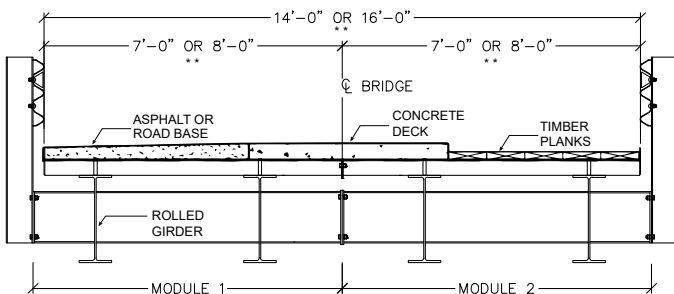
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STANDARD FEATURES

- Single lane, modular bridge with a longitudinal splice
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- Precast sills available
- Available in standard EXPRESS sizes
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EXPRESS ATTRIBUTES	BRIDGE WIDTHS			
	12'	14'	*16'	18'
Standard Spans (5' Incr.)	30' - 60'	30' - 80'	30' - 80'	30' - 60'
Number of Rolled Girders	3	4	4	5
Number of Modules	1	2	2	2
Longitudinal Splice	No	Yes	Yes	Yes

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** 12' Bridges come in one - 3 girder module
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DESIGN ACCOMMODATES

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GUARDRAIL OPTIONS



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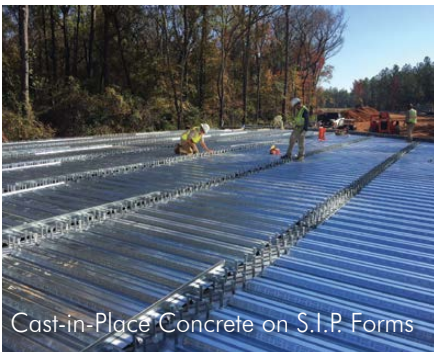


Thrie-Beam



Custom Rail

DECK TYPES



Cast-in-Place Concrete on S.I.P. Forms



Concrete/Asphalt on Bridge Plank



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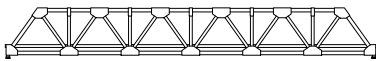


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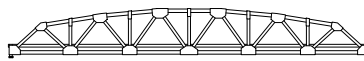


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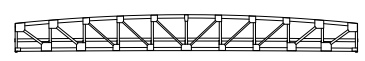
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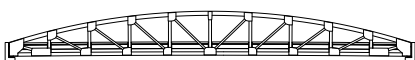
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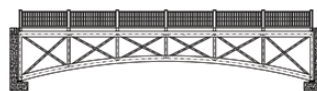
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DECK



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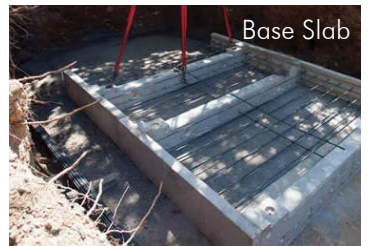
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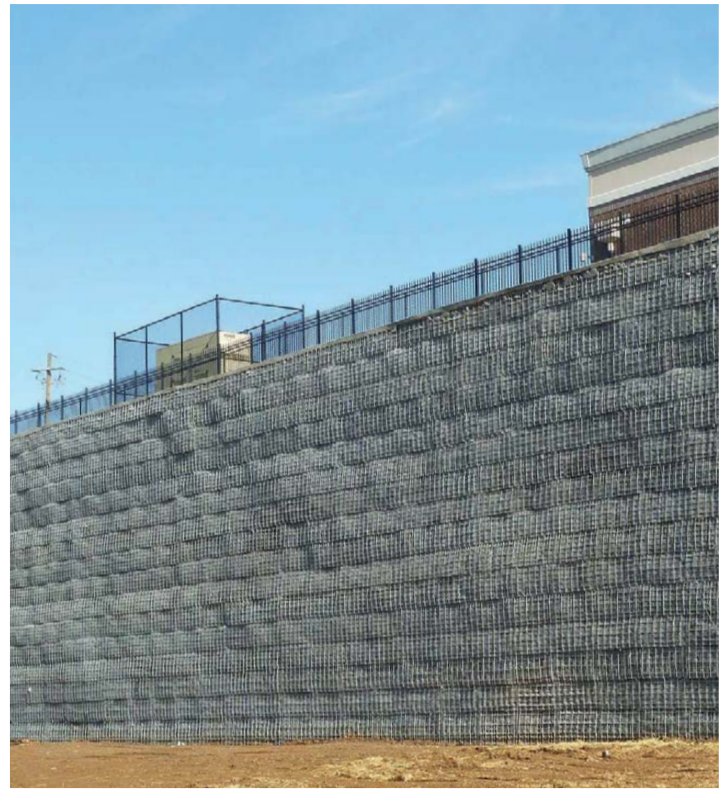
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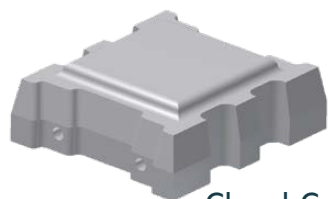
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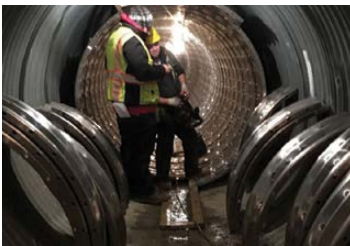


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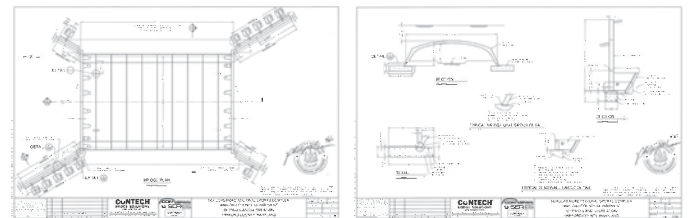


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