



# Consulting Parties Advisory Group Meeting

Meeting #9

June 26, 2026



# Welcome & Introductions



## Attendees

- Section 106 Signatories (FHWA, SHPO, ODOT, Multnomah County, ACHP)
- Tribal Partners
- Agencies (NPS)
- Organizations & Individuals

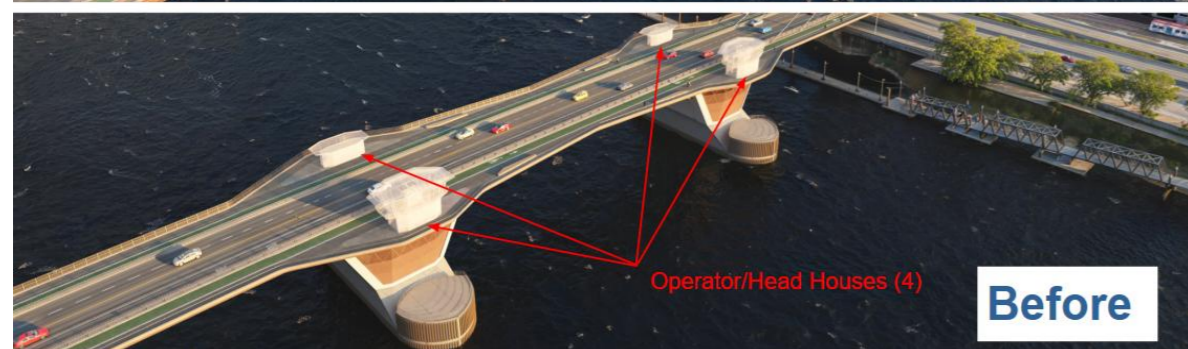
## Consulting Parties Advisory Group Purpose

- To provide input on the implementation of the mitigation to resolve the adverse effect to the Burnside Bridge as described in Stipulation II of the Section 106 Programmatic Agreement.

# Last we met....



## Reviewed List of VE Design Options



# VE Design Options // Clarification



- All design progression to date is a **placeholder for cost estimating purposes**, including VE Design Options shown at October meeting.
- Once the project resumes, all design progression to date **will need to be reviewed and validated** by the future project team.
- Select VE Design Options, however, are being included as part of a NEPA Re-evaluation Process because they are **not likely to change once the project picks up**.
- We will clarify **what those options are** today and provide an opportunity for comment.
- The Consulting Parties Advisory Group **will reconvene** once the project resumes.

# Agenda



- **Review of NEPA Re-Evaluation Process and Content**
- **Review Drafts of Amended Consulting Parties Charter**
- **Review Draft Pick Up Plan Activities and Timing**
- **Next Steps**



# NEPA Re-Evaluation

# VE Discussion // NEPA Re-Evaluation



## WHY IS A NEPA RE-EVALUATION REQUIRED?

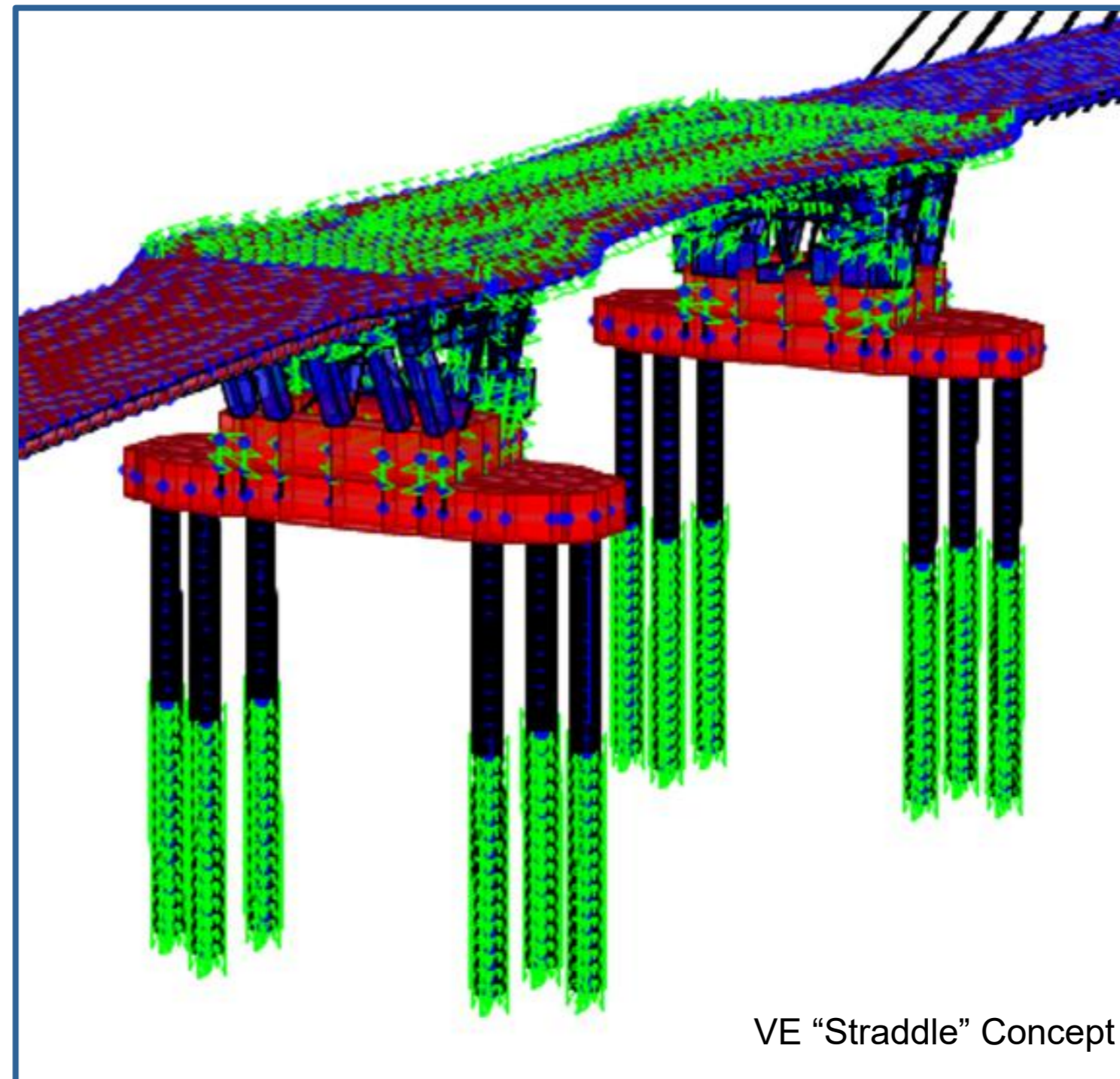
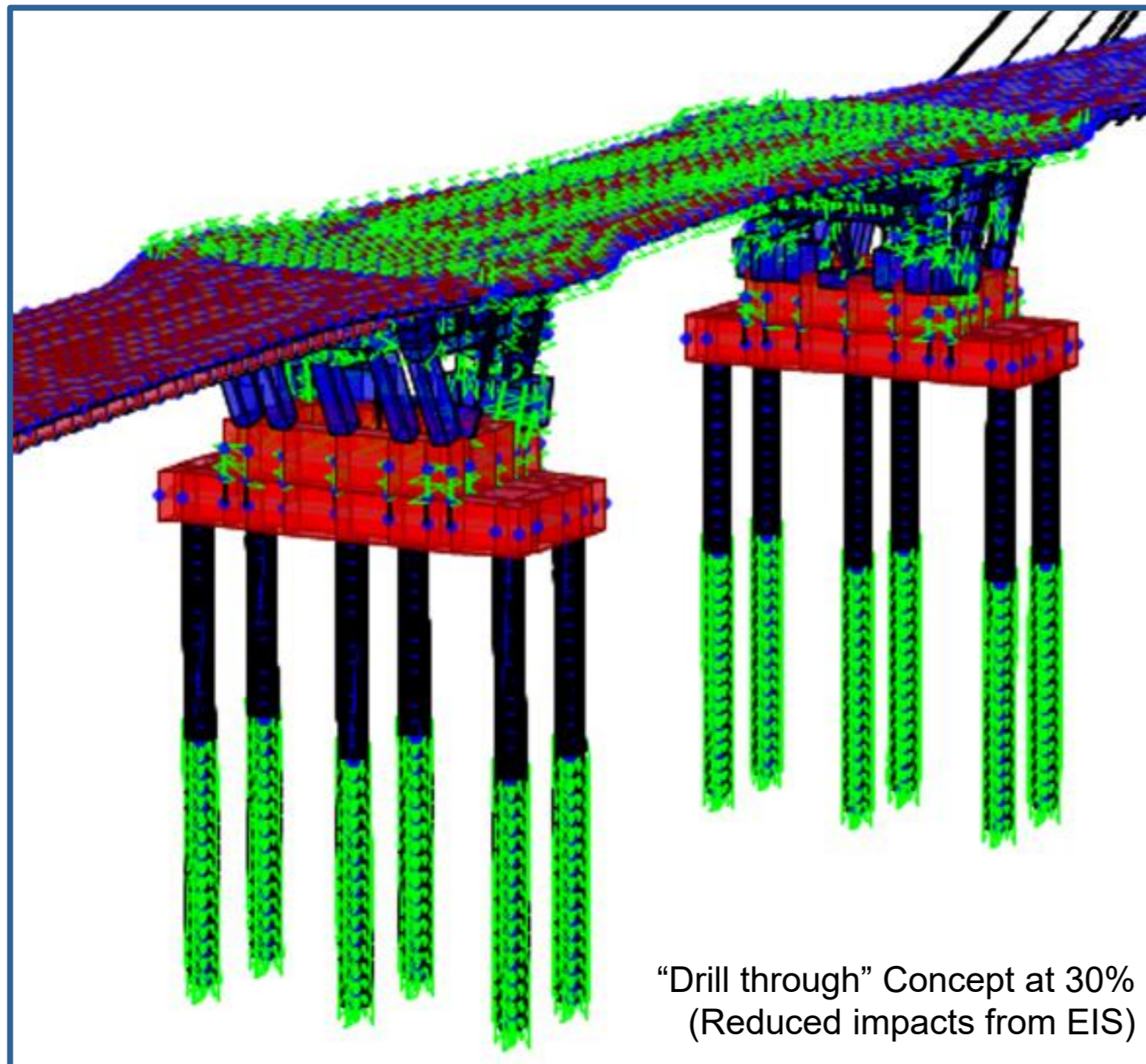
- The progression of design has resulted in modifications or clarifications of the NEPA assumptions.

## WHAT IS THE PROCESS?

- Impacts to each resource will be compared to the NEPA assumed impacts to determine if there is increased, decreased, or no change in impacts.
- If there are no new significant impacts, the analysis is documented and FHWA concurs with the finding.
- Our goal is to keep the Advisory Group informed about the process.

# NEPA Re-Eval // What is included?

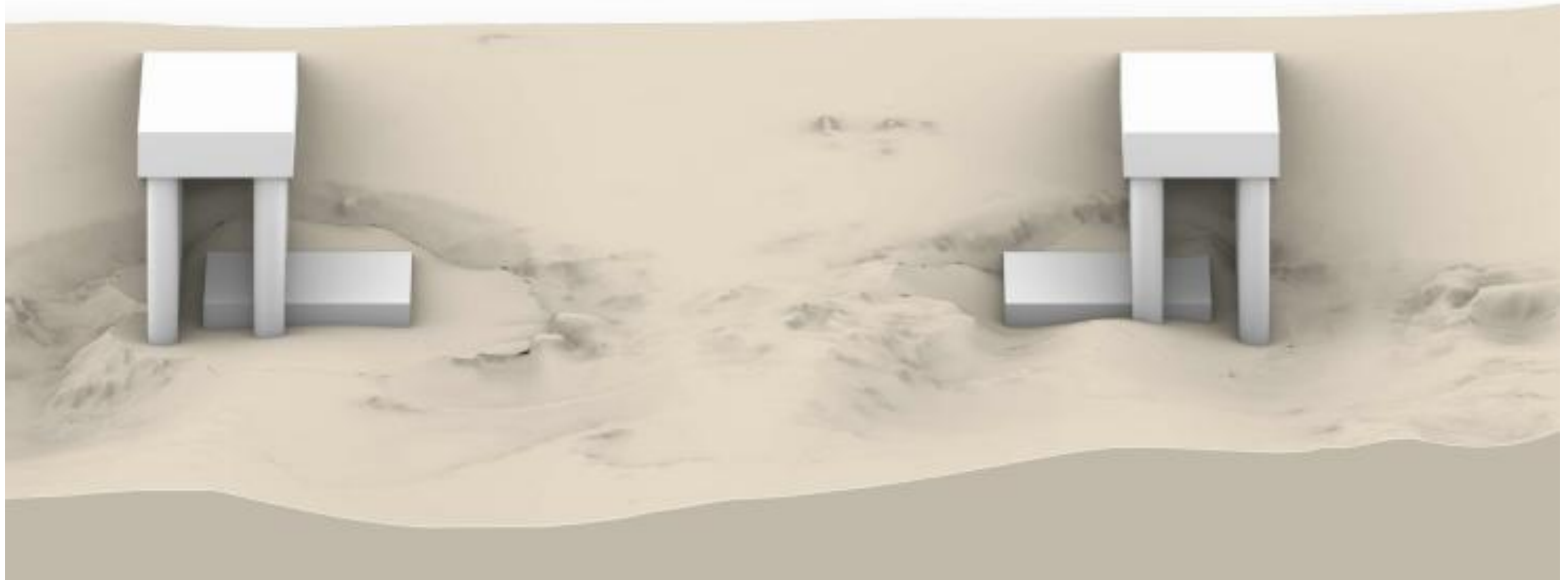
## Straddle Foundation // Dictates need for vertical face on inside of piers



# NEPA Re-Eval // What is included?

## Straddle Foundation // Limits of Existing Pier Removal // Original

- Limits of existing pier removal is 3' below mudline



# NEPA Re-Eval // What is included?



## Straddle Foundation // Limits of Existing Pier Removal // Proposed

- Limits of existing pier removal **reduced** (from 3' below mudline to el. -30.4 ft and -20.9 ft respectively)



# NEPA Re-Eval // What is included?



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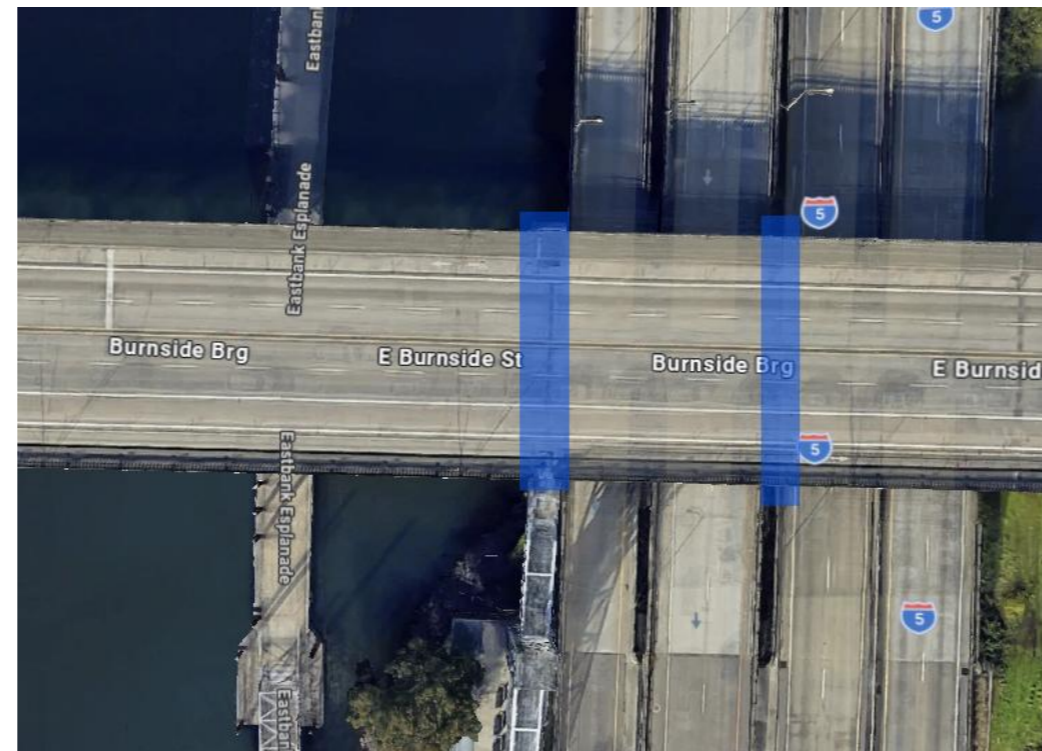
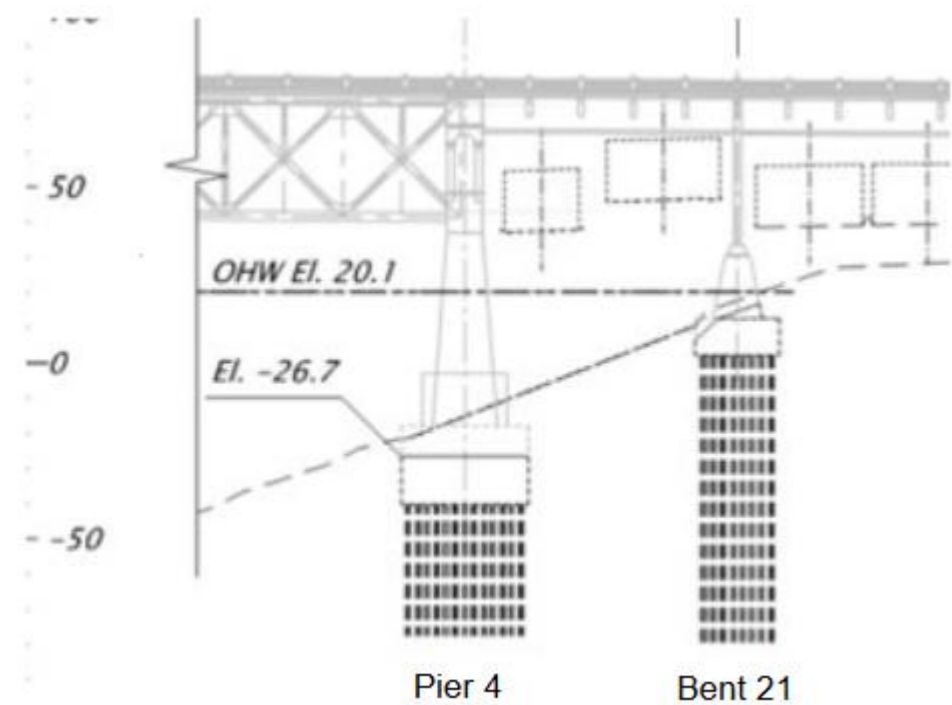
## Straddle Foundation // Section 106 Finding of Effect Form Graphics



# NEPA Re-Eval // What is included?

## Reduced Pier 4 & Bent 21 Demo Limits

- **Original:** Demo to 5-ft and 3ft below mudline respectively
- **Proposed:** Demo to ground level



# NEPA Re-Eval // What is included?



## Temporary Pile (within the Willamette River)

- Reduce the number
- Use larger size
- Use pile slightly outside of the NEPA defined area

## Modify the In-water Work Window

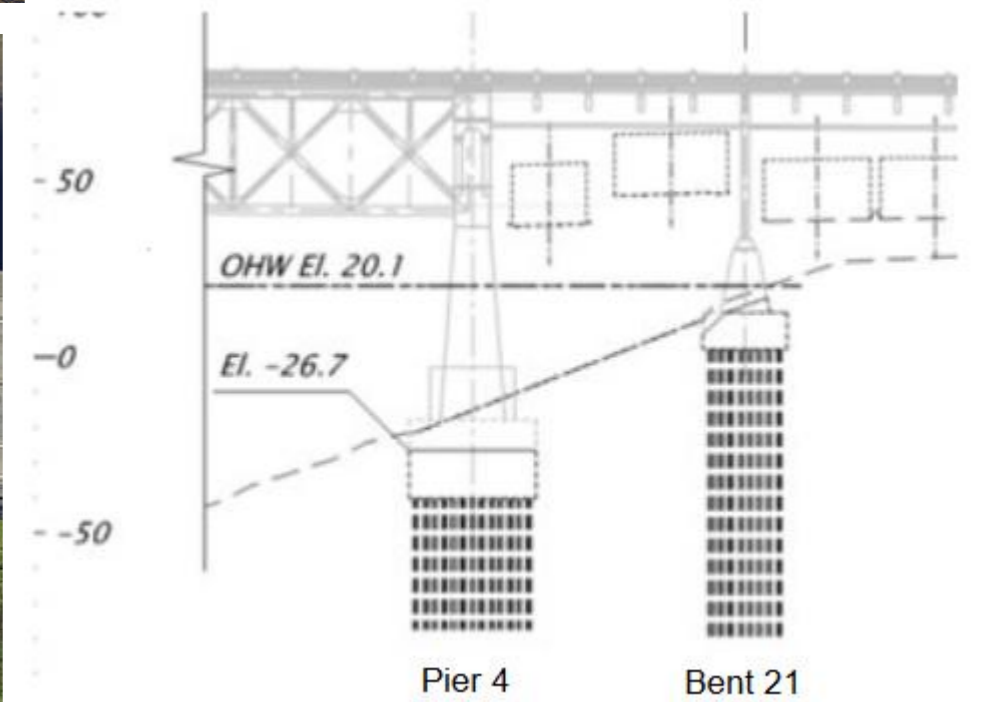
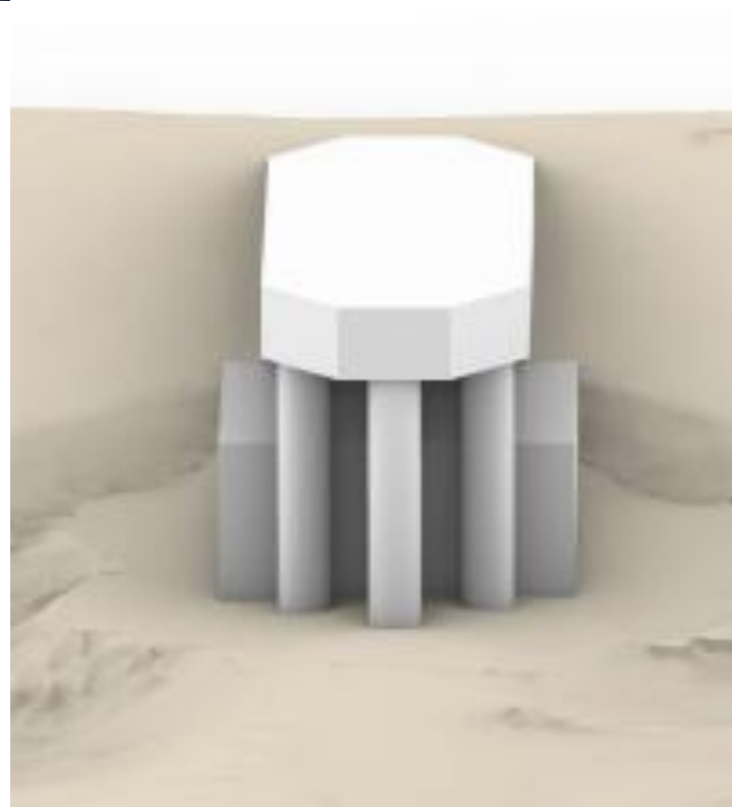
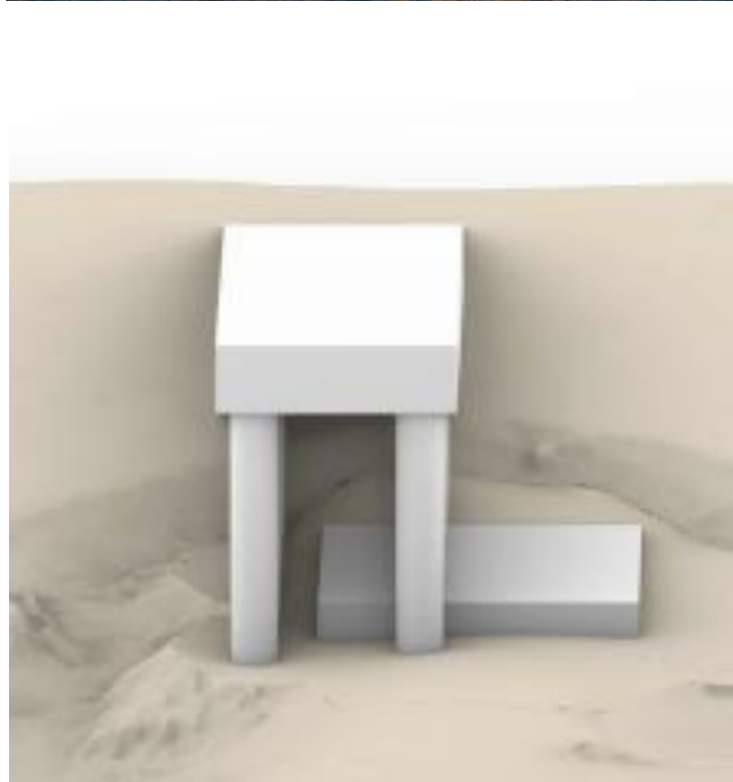
- Allow casing oscillation and vibratory pile installation year round

## Modify Counterweight Demolition Removal Method

## Changes to Detour Route

**Next Steps:** ODOT/FHWA to review and approve NEPA Re-Eval Form Summer 2026. Completed form to be filed with Project Record.

# Discussion and Questions



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# Advisory Group Document Updates

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## Seeking Feedback and Comments on:

- Charter Amendment
- Close-out / Re-start Plan Activities and Timing

**Process:** Comment during meeting or via email within 30 days. We will incorporate feedback into final versions and post to website.

# Review of Document Changes



- Advisory Group Charter Addition with Project Close-out:

*Explains project is delayed pending availability of federal funds and the Advisory Group is also on hold.*

*Restart will occur once construction funding and timing are more certain.*

- Advisory Group Charter Addition with Project Re-start:

*Update the “Term” section to extend the end date for the Advisory Group.*

*Replace the current staff name with “Multnomah County Transportation public information officer”.*

## 1. Review Phase (6 months to 1.5 years)

*Purpose: Evaluate whether a PA amendment or additional Section 106 consultation is necessary.*

*Project Team will evaluate conditions, review Programmatic Agreement, and amend as needed. Amend the duration, which currently expires June 2033.*

*NEPA Re-Evaluation, required if:*

- Three years have passed without acquiring ROW or undertaking final design*
- Major project changes are proposed, including evaluation of cultural resources*

*Would include re-evaluation of cultural resources and consultation*

*Existing documentation will be re-evaluated, and there could be additional resources.*

## 2. Reconvene Advisory Group Phase (2 to 3 months)

*Purpose: Re-gather the Advisory Group and get oriented*

*Reach out to Advisory Group members to confirm individual members, conduct orientation, and schedule kick-off meeting.*

## 3. Advisory Group Meeting Phase (1.5 to 2 years)

*Purpose: Continue the Advisory Group role to provide input on implementing mitigation*

*Review roles, review past progress, provide project update and design status, update workplan, and proceed with work plan and remaining PA mitigation items.*

# Next Steps



- Review and provide comment on draft documents by July 24, 2026.

Email to:

[EQRB-Consulting-Parties@multco.us](mailto:EQRB-Consulting-Parties@multco.us)

- Final documents will incorporate feedback and will be shared via email and the website:

<https://multco.us/info/consulting-parties-advisory-group-meeting-materials>



# Discussion & Questions?

# Burnside Centennial Celebration!



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# Thank You !

*The Earthquake Ready Burnside Bridge Project’s Section 106 process is a great example of “**Environmental Excellence.**” It included being **proactive in engaging consulting parties** in developing mitigation for the loss of the historic bridge, crafting an Archaeological Identification Monitoring and Treatment Plan that has **set the standard for other projects**, and organizing a Consulting Party Advisory Group to help Multnomah County flesh out the mitigation stipulations called out in the project’s programmatic agreement.*

*- Bob Hadlow, Senior Historian Region 1, ODOT*

