

**Bull Run Dam 2 Towers** Improvement Project **Post Project Evaluation Report to Council** Michael Stuhr, Chief Engineer **Portland Water Bureau Tim Collins, Senior Engineer** Portland Water Bureau



# **Major Participants**

- Portland Water Bureau/City of Portland
- Advanced American Construction (Contractor, CM/GC Contract)
- Oregon Iron Works (Wetwell Fabricator)
- Black & Veatch Inc. (Consultant)
- Many others



# **Project Description**

- Key component to the Water Bureau's Habitat Conservation Plan (HCP)
- Designed to manage water temperature in lower Bull Run River
- Massive steel wetwell placed in front of and attached to the existing North Tower
- Allows selection of water from 3 elevations (originally only at the reservoir bottom)



# North and South Towers 1960's





# **Major Project Components**

- Wetwell installed in front of and attached to existing North tower
- Installation of prefabricated building on top of tower
- Tower and safety improvements
- Fish flow piping improvements at Headworks facility



# North Tower/Wetwell Schematic





- Existing roof of tower cut off.
- Prefabricated on shore.
- Lifted onto tower in one piece.

# Electrical-Control Bldg.



### Wetwell Base Fabrication (Oregon Iron Works)





## Wetwell Segment #1



Trapezoidal shape allowed for placement of large slide gates.



## Wetwell Segment in Transit



Within inches of the largest legal load for the roads to the site.







#### **Finished Base Section**





### Placing Base Segment

120' down to the top of the tower foundation.



#### Wetwell segment placement

Takes planning, experience and skill to move segments around without damage.





## **Extensive Diving Effort**



Thousands of dive hours required to anchor base and bolt segments together. Segment 7 rests just below the water surface. All segments bolt together





#### Top segment 8 finally extends out of the water.



### **Completed North Tower**

# top of wetwelk

#### South side of tower

#### **Headworks Piping Revisions**

#### 96" Diameter Outfall Structure

# **Project Costs**

	Cost
Construction Estimate (2009)	\$30,000,000
GMP Construction Contract (2012)	\$31,552,701
Final Construction Cost (2015)	\$29,889,640
Owner's Savings	\$1,663,061 (5.2%)
B&V Consulting Fees	\$5,221,787
% MWESB Subcontracting fees	>30%
Total Project Costs (2009-2015)	\$39,740,000

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### **Project Awards**

- Associated General Contractors of America, Alliant 2014 National Build America Award, <u>Utility Infrastructure Renovation</u>
- Daily Journal of Commerce, <u>2014 Top</u> <u>Projects Award</u>
- Engineering News Record, <u>First Place</u>
  <u>Infrastructure, Best Water/Environmental</u>



