

WILLAMETTE FALLS LOCKS TRANSFER AND SECTION 106 CONSULTATION

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AGENDA REVIEW



Topic: Transfer of the Willamette Falls Locks & Section 106

- Place
- Process
- Product
- People





TRIANGLE OF SATISFACTION



PROCESS



PRODUCT

PEOPLE

**PLACE:
WILLAMETTE
FALLS
LOCKS**



PLACE: WILLAMETTE FALLS LOCKS

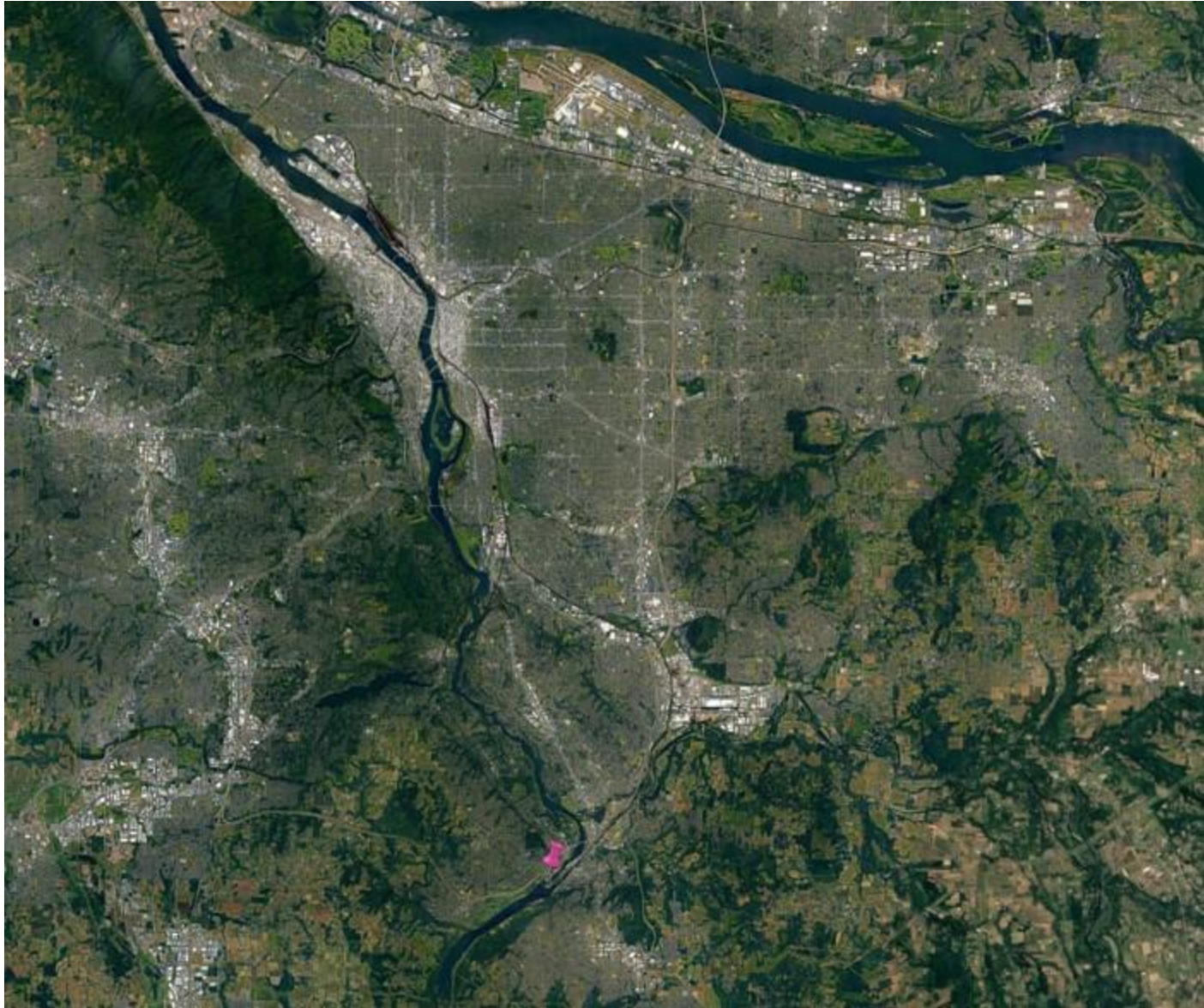


Raise your hand if you know where the Willamette Falls Locks are or if you have been to the Willamette Falls Locks!



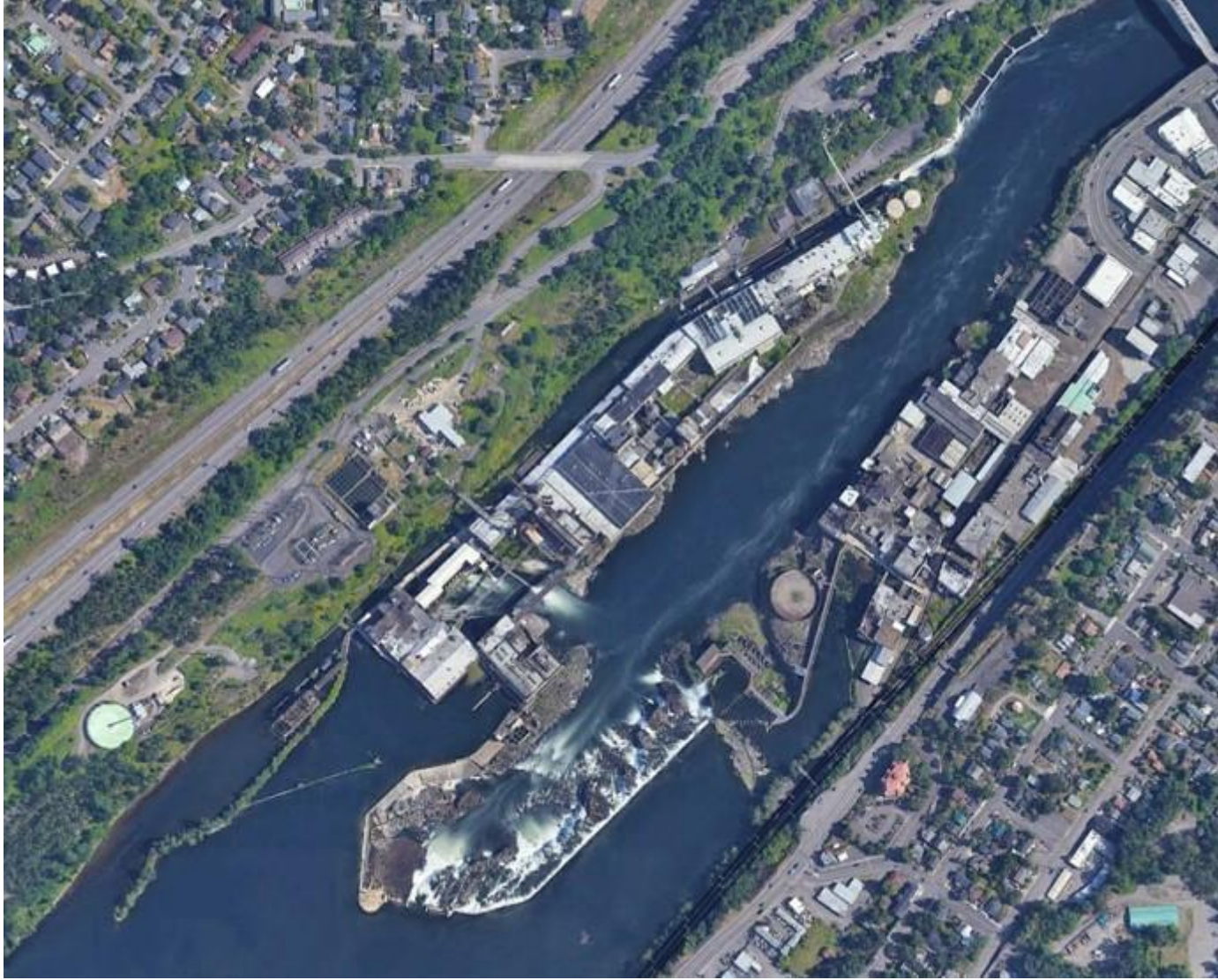


10,000 FEET UP





A LITTLE CLOSER





WILLAMETTE FALLS LOCKS



LIB. April 1900. Willamette Falls Canal. Looking upstream from Suspension bridge, 1000' below locks.



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TIMELINE OF EVENTS



Time Immemorial – Willamette Falls has been a hub of tribal lifeways serving as a village, fishing site, and trade center for many tribes in the Pacific Northwest.

1873 – The Locks opened. Construction began in 1871 by the Willamette Lock and Canal Company.

1913 – The Corps purchased the Locks for \$375,000. The deed is not transferred until 1915.

1999 – Less than 1,000 tons of commercial goods transported. Was 1.4 million tons in 1989.

2006 – The Locks were placed in Caretaker status.

2011 – The Corps closed the Locks due to seismic concerns.

2019 – The Corps completed a disposition study for the Locks.

2020 – U.S. Congress authorized the Corps to transfer the Willamette Falls Locks.

2024 – Transfer the deed!



PROCESS: SECTION 106



Share in the chat if you have worked with Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.





PROCESS: SECTION 106

Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act requires that federal agencies consider the effects of their **undertakings** on **historic properties**. If those effects are adverse then the federal agency must seek ways to avoid, minimize, or mitigate.

- Consultation process.
- Federal agencies bring parties to the table.
- Tailored to the scope and scale of the undertaking.



The Oregonian,
October 24, 1904.



PRODUCT: TRANSFER



WRDA 2020 authorized the Corps to transfer the Locks after completing safety and seismic upgrades.

BUT more to do... like Section 106!

- The Corps has identified historic properties.
- The Corps is considering ways to transfer the property with conditions to ensure long-term preservation of the Locks.
- Conversations with partners about what this could be.

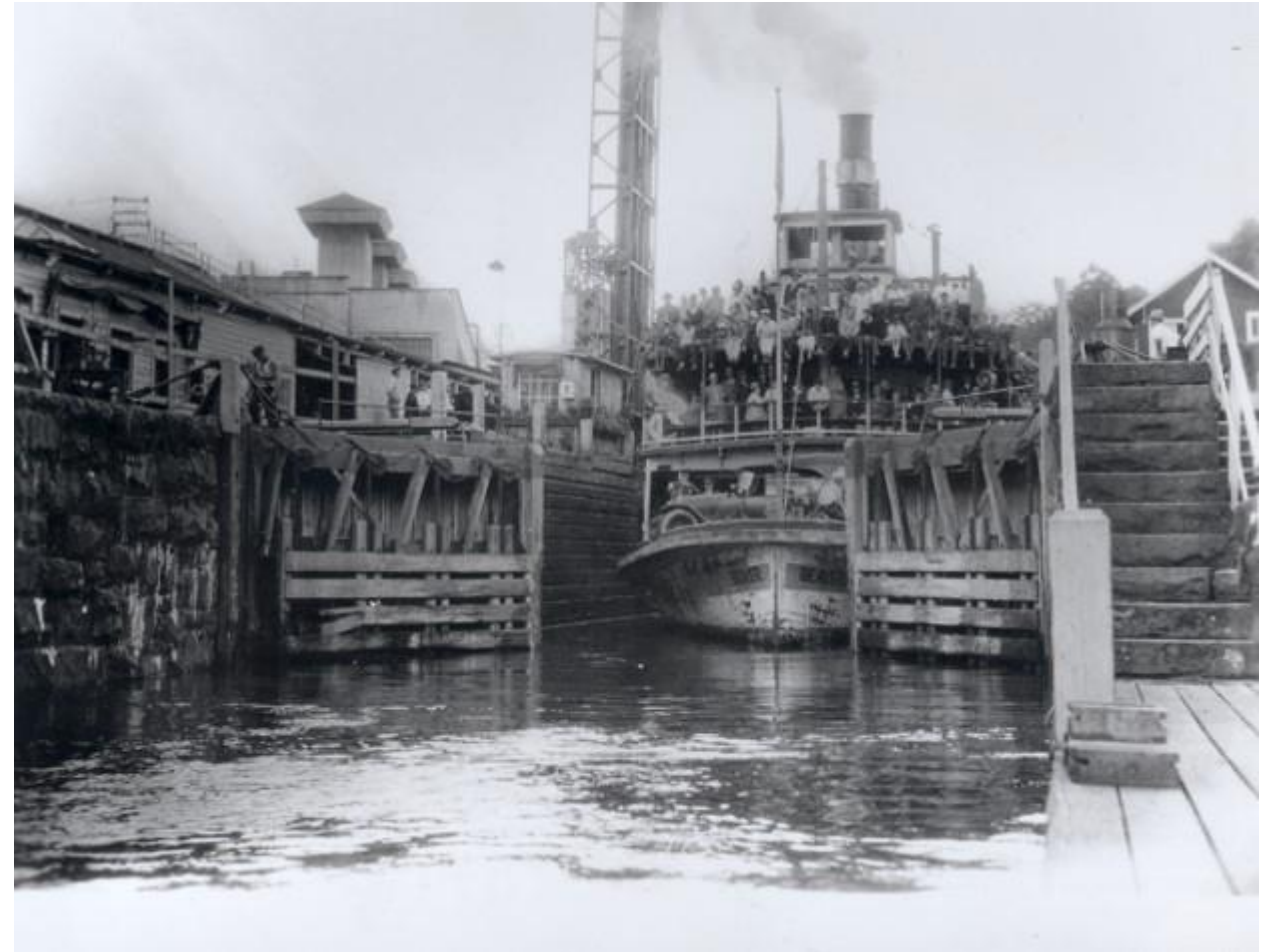




PEOPLE: CONSULTING PARTIES



- Oregon State Historic Preservation Office
- Advisory Council on Historic Preservation
- Seven (7) Indian Tribes
- ~16 interested parties
 - National Trust for Historic Preservation
 - Six local governments
 - Willamette Falls Locks Authority
 - Preservation and heritage non-profits (Willamette Falls Heritage Foundation, Restore Oregon)
 - Business groups (Portland General Electric)





PEOPLE: POSITIONS, INTERESTS, NEEDS



Positions: “What we say we want” – **Interests:** “What we really want” – **Needs:** “What we must have”

“certainty about the thoughtful future use.”

“a clear sense of what NHPA [National Historic Preservation Act] responsibilities the Authority will have.”

Access for traditional cultural practices.

Preservation, interpretation and heritage tourism.

Meet Congressional authorization.

Re-open the Locks (operational).





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PEOPLE



What else is there?!

- Who else should be at the table?
- Where is the common ground?
- What should I ask?
- What is needed?





QUESTIONS?

THANK YOU!

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