## Willamette Falls Locks

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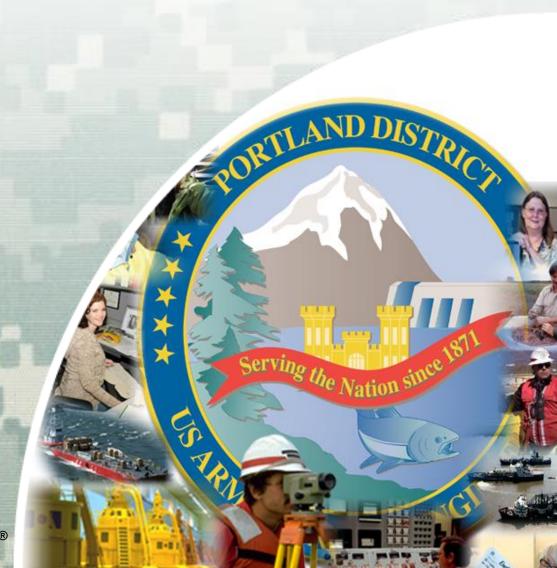
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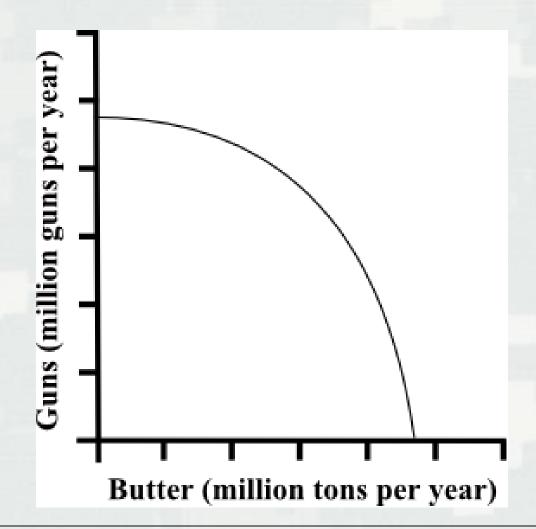
## AGENDA / TOPICS

- ► How has usage changed over time
  - Public Private Partnerships
  - Types of commerce that flowed through the locks
- ► Overview of Corps investment decisions
  - Why did we purchase the facility
  - Why are we looking to divest the federal interest
- ► Overview of Physical Condition
  - Costs to repair for near term, 5 year and 20 year horizon
- ► Status of the "Final Disposition Study"





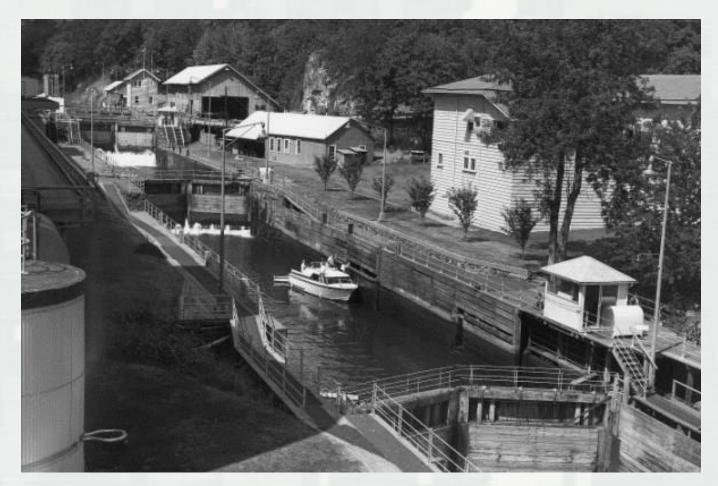
## **Production Possibilities Curve**





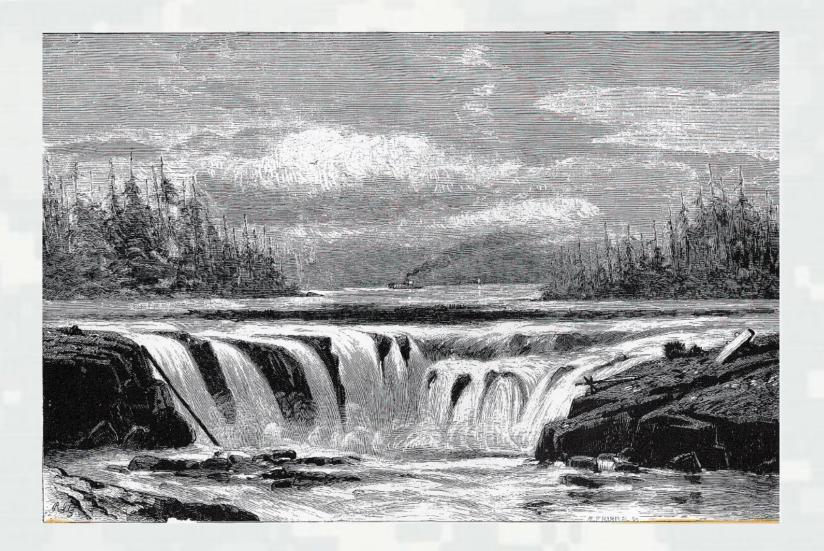


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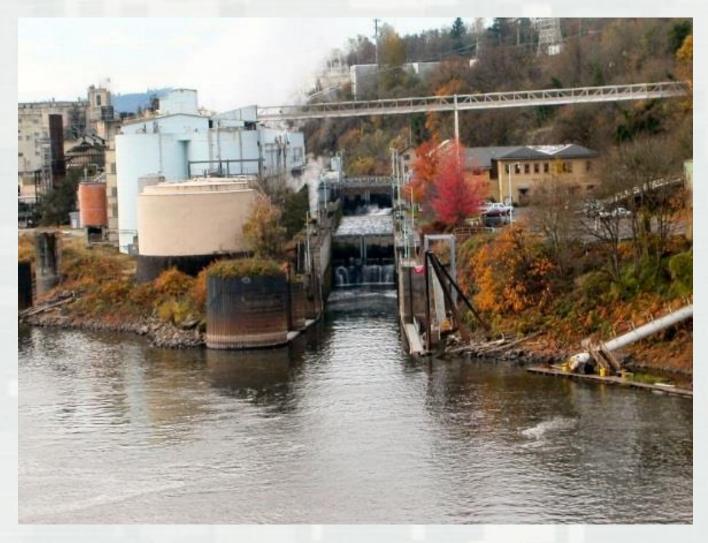












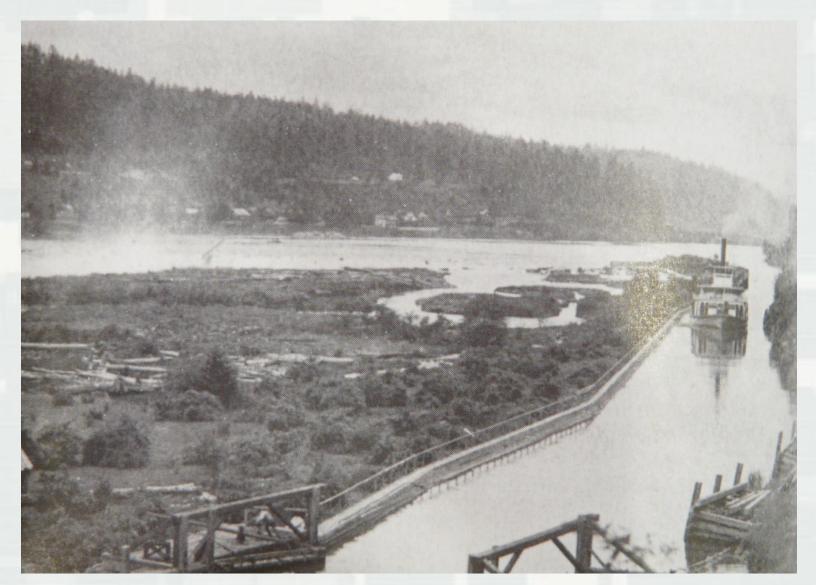












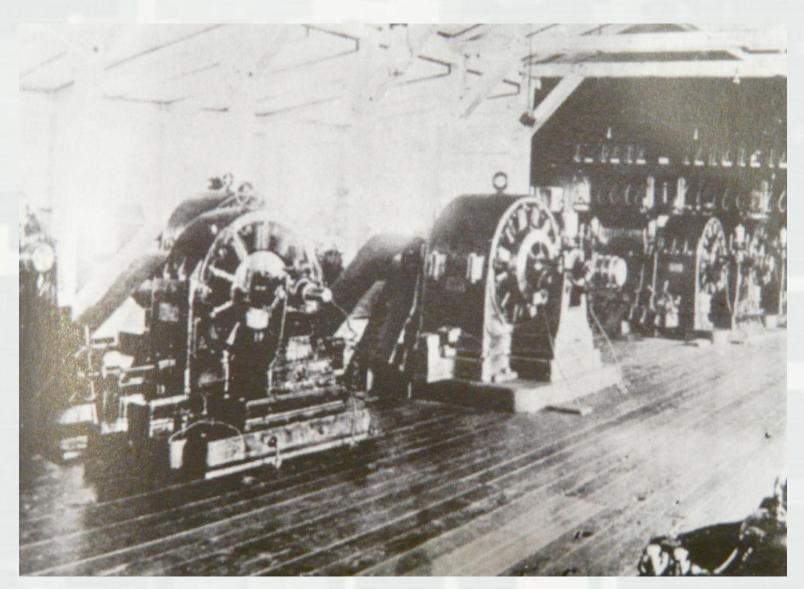




















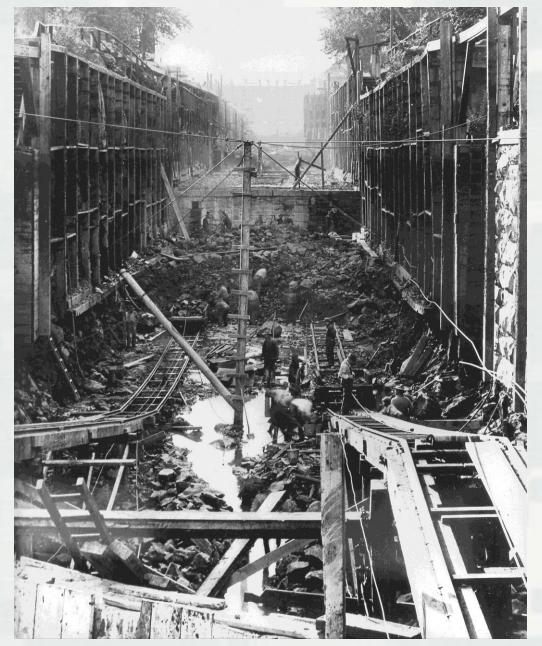




1899 – looking upstream







1916 lock Renovation

– Locks were
deepened 3 feet





Thousands See Ceremony of Dedication and Transfer of Property at Falls.

GOVERNORS MAKE TALKS

Maids Wed Waters of Upper and Lower River, Assisting in Renlization of 60-Year Dream of Open Waterway.

OREGON CITY, Or May 6 .- (Special)-The free navigation of the Willamette River, a dream of 60 years, was realized here this morning when the Oregon City locks were transferred formally from private to public control.

Eight thousand persons witnessed the transfer. From a score of towns up the Willamette Valley and from Portthe Willamette Valley and from Port-land they came to assist in the cele-iration. Special cars were run on the Fortland-Oregon City interurban line; the Caerrians, 50 strong and headed by a band, came down from Salem and there ware delegations here from Mc-Minnville, Albany, Corvallis and Eu-

The formal trensfer took place on the court house steps where the speak-ers were assembled. Franklin T. Grif-flih, president of the Portland Rallway. Ath, president of the Fortishe Autres of Light & Power Company, late owners of the locks, presented a three-foot model of the canal to W. C. Hawley, representative in Congress,

Idaho Governor Accepts.

Mr. Hawley, in turn, presented the property to the people, through Moses Alexander, governor of ldaho. Gover-nor Withroombe, who was to have de-livered the response for the people.

SCENES AT OREGON CITY'S LOCKS'CELEBRATION YESTERDAY.





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### Navy Plans Office Cuts

#### Region's Repair Jobs to Remain

The navy's proposal to close its assistant industrial manager's office at Astoria and cut it down to a resident inspector's office, like the one now in Portland, is not expected to affect the amount of navy ship repair work available for private shipvards in Astoria and Portland, according to a letter from Assistant Navy Secretary R. H. Fogler to Representative Walter Norblad.

Fogler said the allocation of navy repair work in the 13th district is determined by the industrial manager located in Bremerton, Wash. The plan to move the assistant's office out of Astoria is in line with proposed economies in personnel.

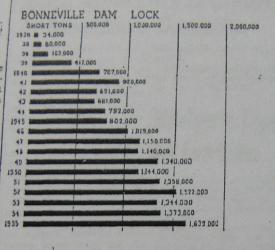
#### Office Slash Scen

At present the Astoria office has seven officers and 36 civilians, but the proposed change in status would reduce the personnel to half or less, it is reported in Astoria. The Portland inspector's office recently was stripped of six employes, and now consists of two officers and six civilians.

The navy is "studying" the advantages and disadvantages of its proposal, Fogler said. Also the Portland and Astoria chambers of commerce are looking into the matter. The Astoria chamber has protested the plan, but the Portland chamber has limited its activity to conferences with navy officials in Washington,

Meanwhile, a small navy tug

### Bonneville Traffic Tops Willamette Falls Locks Contract Let



#### WILLAMETTE FALLS LOCKS SHORT TONS 600.000 1000,000 1.500,000 2000000 1,946,000 2,027,000 1,620,000 2078.000 1.996.000 1.977.000 1,778,000 1.450,000

Shown here graphically is the gradual growth of river traffle through Bonneville dain (above) compared with the decline in traffic through Willamette Falls locks at West Linn during recent years. In 1955, Bonneyille set a new tonnage record.

## Ice Harbor

#### Portland Firm Wins Stell Job

WALLA WALLA, Wash. (Special)-The first supply contract on Ice Harbor dam, calling for 2100 tons of new steel sheet piling, was awarded Thursday by the Walla Walla district army engineers.

Col. Myron E. Page Jr., district engineer, said the Columbia Geneva Steel company of Portland was awarded the \$331,000 contract with delivery dates to range from May through September.

The steel will be used in the first stage cofferdam.

Approximately 4200 tons of steel will go into the cofferdam and the material under contract will be used in making the cells.

For reasons of economy and because of the steel shortage, 1200 tons of cofferdam steel used at The Dalles and McNary dams will be used in the Ice Harbor construction work.

Work on the south shore access road started early this week. The road starts at the damsite, where a 40-foot side hill cut is being made leading from the river to higher land above.

This job is expected to be completed about April 27.

## Transit Firm

















Table 1: Commodities Transported Through the Willamette Locks (short tons)

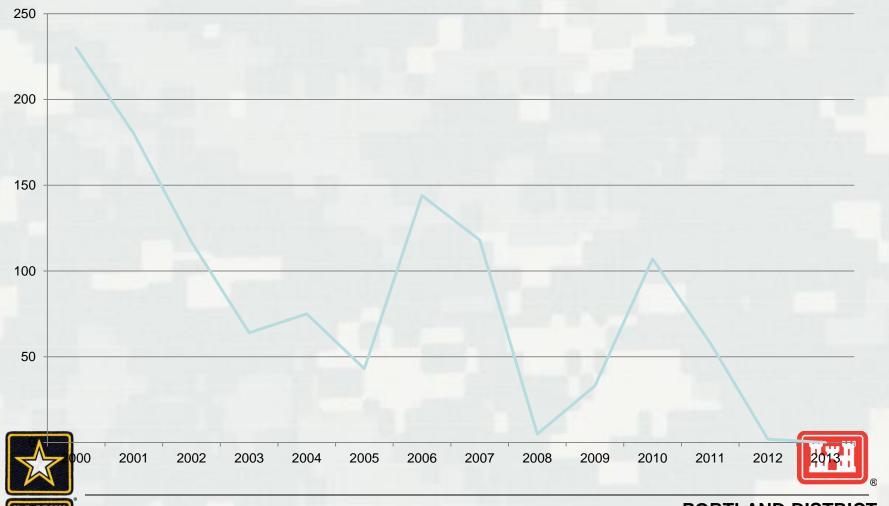
Commodity	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999
51 - Paper & allied products	83,983	83,961	30,383	20	-	-
42 - Pulp, waste products	75,346	68,477	27,088	_	20	-
52 - Building cement & concrete, lime, glass	-	46,642	-	-	-	-
41 - Forest products, lumber, logs, woodchips	26,000	-	265	132	125	210
43 - Sand, gravel, stone & crushed rock	-	9,223	_	610	85	215
99 - Other commodity not listed elsewhere	8,648	19	- 4		-	-
53 - Primary iron & steel products,	-	2,431	1,374	174	483	140
32 - Industrial chemicals	2,541	85	-	-	-	-
Other	-	1,428	-	825	465	328
Total	196,518	212,266	59,114	1,761	1,178	893

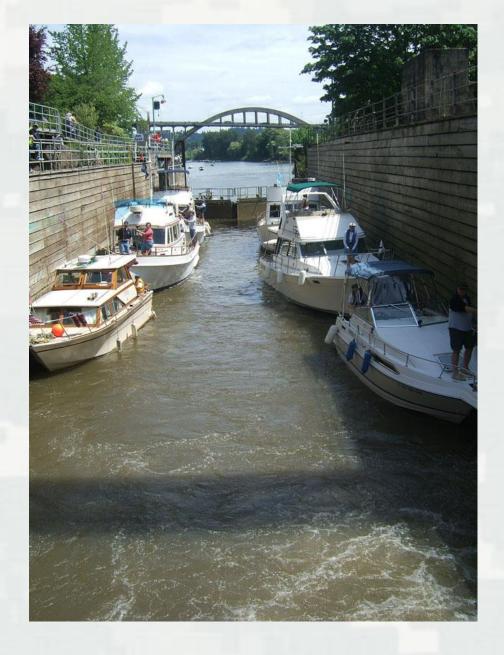
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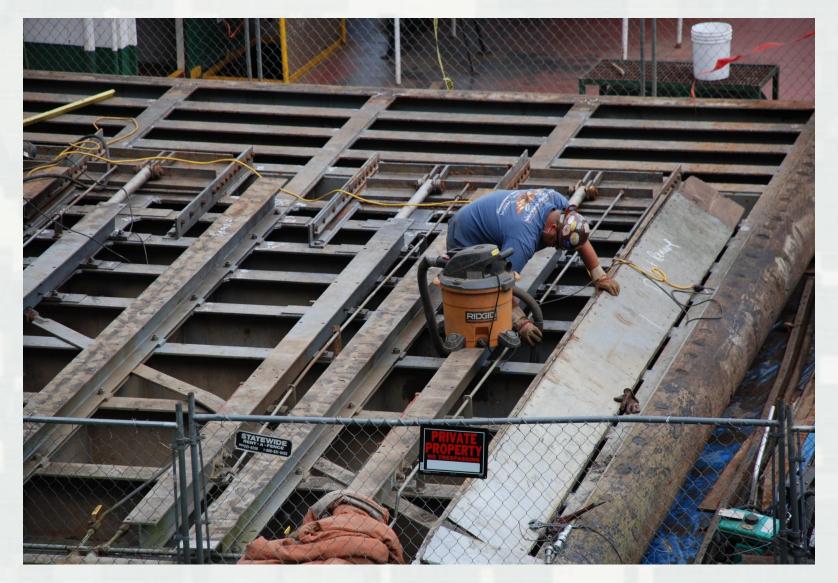
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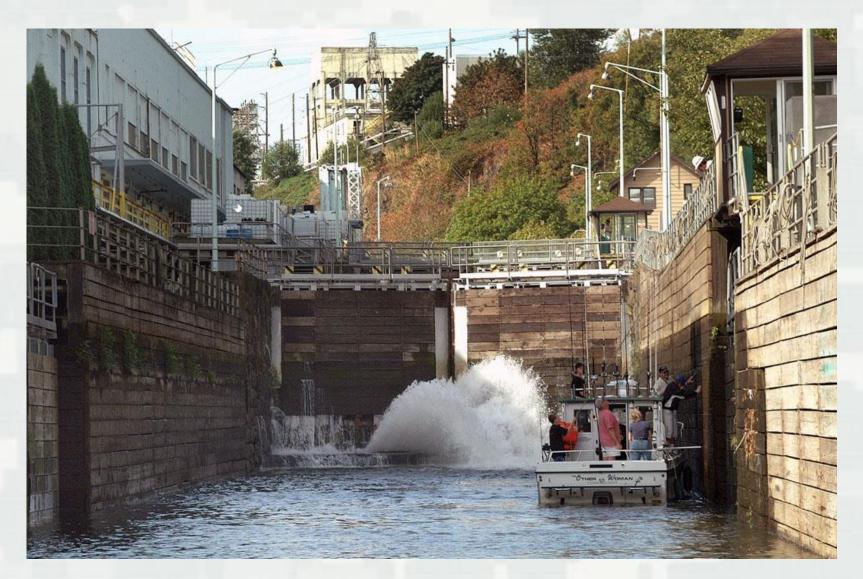






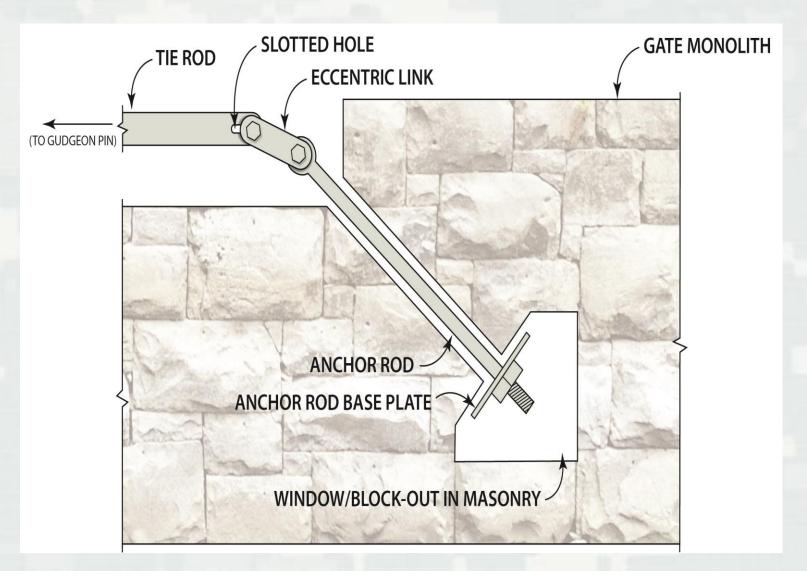


































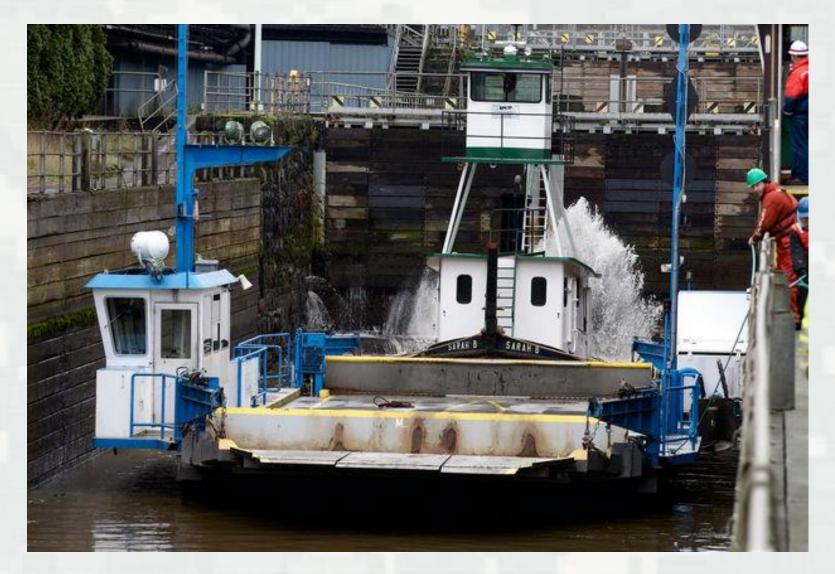
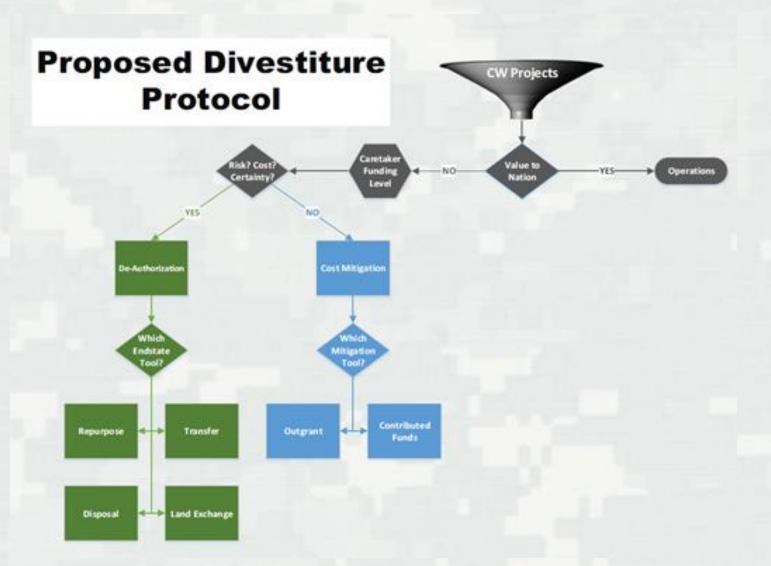




Photo provided by Oregonian, January 8, 2013









# Questions???



