# MCNARY SPILLWAY STATUS

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# **MCNARY SPILLWAY**

- Operational in 1954
- 22 Spillbays with double leaf vertical lift gates
- 2 Cranes (#6, #7) only initially,
   200 ton (400,000 lbs) capacity.
   Routinely operated gates in split leaf





# MCNARY CRANES 6 & 7

- Overloaded by estimated 20% according to BDI tests in 2003/05- not counting for lifting beam or frictional losses. – Violation of American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) and Engineer Manual (EM) 385.
- Gantry crane frames do not comply with current American Institute of Steel Construction (AISC) codes
   Under breakdown torque simulations, the downstream legs fail.
- The electrical system is outdated. Asbestos. DC hoist controls at risk of failure. Obsolete component replacement is becoming more challenging.
- Frequently down for weeks or months at a time most recently a gantry drive gearbox failure required bearings that are no longer readily available.
- Recently had a main hoist gearbox replacement to address severe vibration issues, with mixed results.
- January 2023, Cranes 6 & 7 were limited to two engineered lifts (250 tons) per year.
  - Lifts that do not overload crane capacity are not limited



# **MCNARY HOISTS**

- 1976, 16 Ederer hoists added, 175 tons (350,000 lbs) capacity
   Flow deflectors added
   Spillway predominately operated as full gates
- 2002/2003, Four Transco hoists added.
   350,000 lbs capacity
- 2002, Failure of hoist gearbox coupler
- 2003-2005, Testing indicated all hoists were overloaded, 13 were > 125% overloaded Up to 480,000 lbs of load. Did not include sheave friction.
- 2004-2009, Rehab of some gates wheel bearings, guide slots, guide shoes, replaced seals
   Minor improvement only
- 2007, Hoist replacement project initiated
- 2020, Work restriction while hoists were under load implemented to reduce risk to health and human safety
- 2021, Load cell data collected on four hoists for prototype hoist project showed overload condition
- 2022, Hoist #6 failed, gears showed severe pitting due to material fatigue from high contact stresses,
   replaced with hoist from bay #16. Bay #16 RTS after about three month outage.

Hoist #15 OOS for one week for repairs

Hoist #20 taken OOS for repairs

Hoist #21 gearbox coupler failed and brakes failed during closure causing gate to fall on sill

October 2023, Hoist operations were limited to either no (13) or two (7) overload lifts per year



# MCNARY HOISTS



Pitted north drum gear

Unworn gear

# MCNARY HOISTS



Pitting on south pinion gear



Unworn pinion gear



# MCNARY SPILL GATES

- 2022, Testing of lifting eyes showed deterioration and overload of design capacity
   Gate girders; several were close to failure for normal operations, and many did not
   meet criteria for emergency operation
- 2023, Spillbay #16 closed to repair cracks in dogs and dog mounting points
   Bays #1, #3, #21 taken OOS to repairs dogs. Other bays to follow over the next year
- Result of structural analysis is that all 22 (+2 spares) spill gates should be replaced







# MCNARY SPILLWAY UPGRADE STATUS

### **SCOPE OF SPILLWAY UPGRADES**

### Spillway Gate Dogging Mechanism Repairs (NREX):

Repair and restore dogging mechanisms to allow safe dogging of gates.

#### Replace Spillway Cranes 6 & 7 (BPA Joint Capital):

- Replace spillway gantry cranes with uprated (350 ton) cranes (**PRIORITY**)
- Replace spillway gate lifting beams with uprated lifting beams

#### Gate Hoist Replacements (BPA Joint Capital):

 Replace all 20 gate hoists (PRIORITY). Add 2 new gate hoists so each spill bay has a hoist. 350 ton capacity

#### Spillway Gate Replacement (BPA Joint Capital):

• Based on 2023 structural analysis, we must replace all spillway gates with uprated capacity for sheave friction and hydraulic down-pull forces.

#### Spillway Gate Repair Pit Upgrade (BPA Joint Capital):

- Remove lead and asbestos.
- Add explosion-proof lighting, ventilation, doorways, electrical, pedestal upgrades, deck slab repairs and handrail upgrades, and fire protection.









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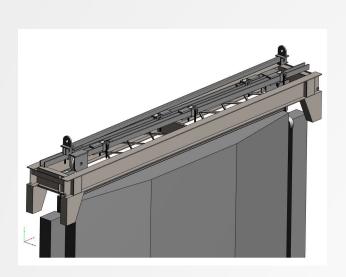
### Spillway Deck Safety Handrail (NREX):

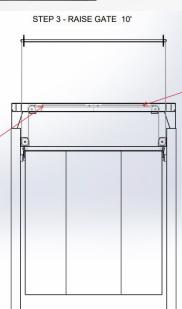
- Procure 21 new sets of handrail for the upstream spillway gate slots
- Move spillway gates and spillway gate hoists to upstream slots
- Operate spillway in upstream, split-leaf configuration for spill and fish passage requirements (PRIORITY)

### Spillway Lifting Auxiliary Beams (SLABs) (BPA Joint Capital):

- Purchase new SLABs to allow use of spillway cranes without overloading (PRIORITY)
- Reduces spillway gate load from the spillway cranes and allows spillway crane operation within acceptable load limits









#### McNary Spillway Working Schedule

- MCN Replace Spillway Cranes 6 & 7
  - Phase 1a approved. FY23-24 Funding in place.
  - Design FY24-25? (pending appropriated \$\$s)
  - Award 1 crane (pending appropriated \$\$s):
  - Start fabrication crane 1 in FY26
  - Award 2<sup>nd</sup> crane (pending appropriated \$\$s):
- MCN Spillway Major Rehab Evaluation Report (MRER)
  - Creating new project for FY24-25 budget request
- MCN Spillway Hoist Replacements
  - First hoist in final design
  - Award prototype early FY24. Install FY24-Early FY25
  - Award follow-on contract for remaining hoists FY26: three per year?
  - Safety handrails Pending Phase 1&2 Approval: Construction FY24
  - SLABS Pending 1&2 Approval. Construction FY24-FY25
- MCN Spillway Gate Replacements
  - Phase 1a pending Deb 2024 Capital Work Group Meeting
  - Phase 1 design in FY24-25
  - Award:
  - New spillway gates delivered FY26?: Three per year?
- o MCN Spillway Gate Dogging Mechanism Repair underway with FY23 NREX funds.
  - Funded. Repairs to occur in FY25 and complete in FY26
- o MCN Spillway Gate Repair PIT Upgrade
  - Phase 1a has been approved, but no appropriated match
  - Lower priority since gates are to be replaced
  - Repair pit will likely be used for storage when new spillway gates start to be delivered.
- Modeling Latest estimate, \$1.5M to create new model
  - Initial funding from CRFM allotment has been sent to ERDC to initiate construction



# MCNARY SPILLWAY CRANE MILESTONES

Kick off
Phase 1 Approval
Ready to Advertise
Award
Onsite Construction

August 2023 April 2024 September 2024 March 2025 Summer 2027





## SPILLWAY GATE HOIST REPLACEMENTS

### **MILESTONES**

Kick off Dec 2014

Phase 1 Approval Nov 2019

Phase 2a Approval Jul 2022

Contract Award Apr 2024

Onsite Construction Apr 2025

Phase 2b Approval Jun 2024

Contract Award Nov 2024

Onsite Construction Sep 2025 – 2032 (~Three per year)

Phase 2a = Prototype Spillway Gate Hoist (1 hoist)

Phase 2b = Remaining Spillway Gate Hoists (21 hoists)

# PROPOSED SPILL OPERATIONS

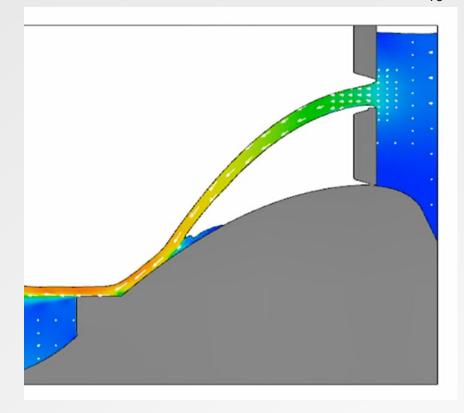
Retain two TSW's in normal location

Move 13 hoists to upstream slot and use in split leaf configuration

- Construct new control cables
- Procure materials for handrails with Small Cap
  - Assemble handrails in-house

Retain 7 gates in downstream slot closed in full gate configuration

- Needed to maintain Standard Project Flood (SPF) capacity
- Adaptively manage operations once risk for spring floods are better understood
- Incorporate use of SLAB's when available







# SPILLWAY OPERATION EVALUATIONS

SRWG has meet several times to discuss evaluation plans

Research Summary was distributed 18 December. Comments due 31 December

#### **FY24 DIRECT INJURY STUDY OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Estimate directinjury and survival of yearling Chinooksalmon passing through a McNary Spillbay after being set in the upstream slot in split-leaf operation by direct releases of fish equipped with balloon tags at two different elevations. (Sample sizes sufficient to estimate with a precision of ±5% @ 95% Confidence Interval [CI]).
- 2. Estimate direct injury and survival of yearling Chinook salmon passing through McNary Dam TSW by direct releases of fish equipped with balloon tags at two different elevations. (Sample sizes sufficient to estimate with a precision of ±5% @ 95% CI).

#### **FY24 ACTIVE TAG STUDY OBJECTIVES:**

- 1. Estimate spillway survival of out-migrating juvenile salmonids passing through McNary Dam with split-leaf spillway operations from dam face detections to outside of project influence downstream.
- 2. Estimate survival of out-migrating juvenile salmonids passing through all passage routes at McNary Dam with split-leaf spillway operations.
  - a. Estimate tailrace egress time for juvenile salmonids downstream of McNary Dam.
  - b. Estimate spillway passage efficiency (SPE) for split-leaf spillway operations at McNary Dam.
  - c. Estimate for ebay survival and for ebay residence time for split-leaf spillway operations at McNary Dam.

Evaluations are intended to be early spring. Before April spill season if possible.

Funding available is still TBD



# SPILLWAY OPERATIONS MODELING









