

## SRFB AMENDMENT REQUEST

### RCO Director Decision

**Project Name:** Nason Creek RM 3.7-4.7  
**Project Number:** 12-1438  
**Project Sponsor:** Chelan County Natural Resources  
**Lead Entity:** Upper Columbia Salmon Recovery Board  
**Lead Entity Ranking:** 2 of 13  
**Source of Funding:** State

|                       | <u>Current</u> |     | <u>Proposed</u> |     |
|-----------------------|----------------|-----|-----------------|-----|
| <b>SRFB Funds:</b>    | \$ 338,233     | 85% | \$ 338,233      | 85% |
| <b>Sponsor Match:</b> | \$ 60,000      | 15% | \$ 60,000       | 15% |
| <b>Project Total:</b> | \$ 398,233     |     | \$ 398,233      |     |

**Request: Scope Change** - CCNRD would like to re-scope the \$106,000 for design and construction funds for a ELJ at RM 4.6 and use those funds towards design and permitting for the floodplain side channel reconnection near RM 4.6.

#### Background:

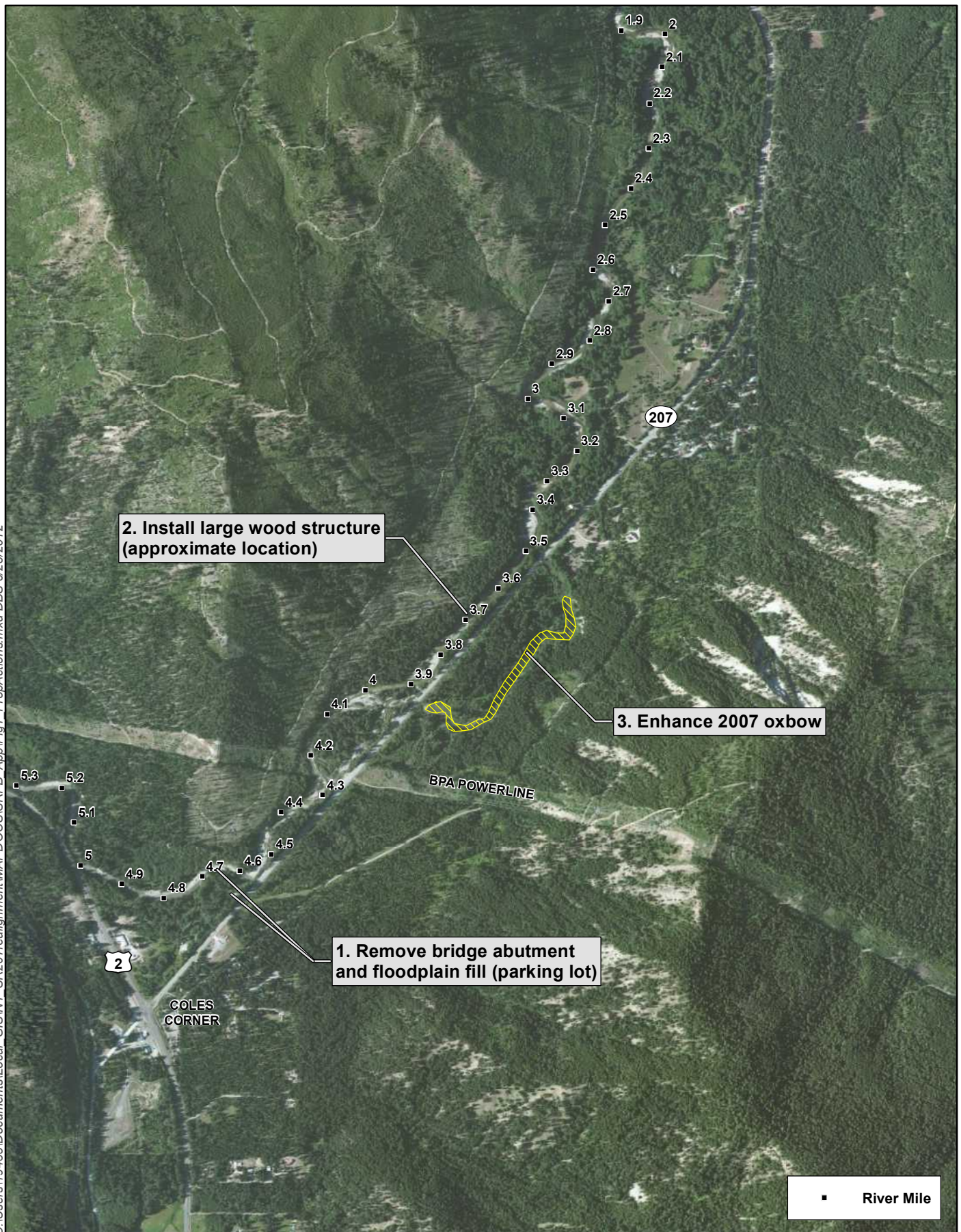
Project 12-1438 provided funding for the design, permitting and construction of the following instream restoration actions near RM 4.6 on Nason Creek (Figure 1):

1. Remove 0.64 acres of floodplain fill;
2. Enhance conditions in the 2007 oxbow; and
3. Build one ELJ instream on Nason Creek.

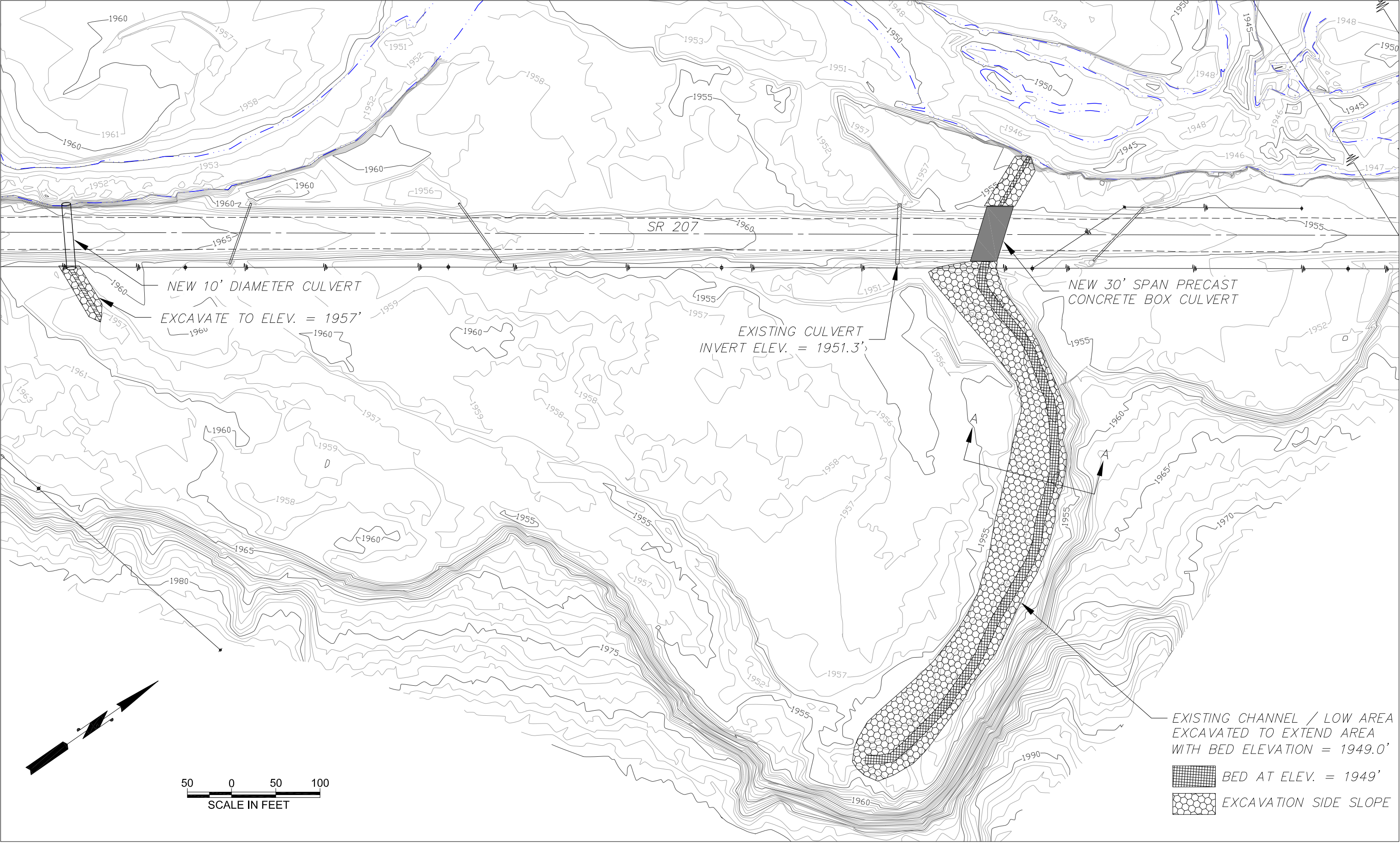
CCNRD is requesting to re-scope the funds allocated towards the design and construction of the ELJ. There are three reasons to remove the ELJ from the proposed project. First, CCNRD did not receive the \$60,000 in project match from Tributary Committee or EcoTrust so are short on overall project construction funds (match is not a problem). Second, during field work to identify the most appropriate location for installation of the ELJ, CCNRD found that several trees have fallen into Nason Creek in the recent storm in the same areas where the ELJ would be constructed. These trees are a little smaller than what would be installed and may or may not initiate the channel forming processes that may occur with a larger log jam, however, the processes CCNRD intended to initiate are starting slowly independently. In addition, USFS is not psyched about the instream ELJ structure so removal of this project component would help facilitate the NEPA process.

CCNRD would like to re-scope the \$106,000 in design and construction funds for the ELJ in the current RCO contract and use those funds towards design and permitting for the floodplain side channel reconnection near RM 4.6. A conceptual design drawing for this site is attached. This design would be revised to incorporate most recent RTT feedback and comments from USFS and then advanced to the permit-ready design stage. The floodplain side channel reconnection was the next project alternate for Chelan County in the 2012 round (RCO project # 12-1843). If the side channel re-connection project was designed and permitted with funds from the 12-1438 contract, then it would be ready to construct in 2014 along with the other nearby restoration actions. The side channel re-connection was ranked by RTT as the #4 priority action in the 2012-2013 targeted solicitation review process. However, construction funds for the side channel reconnection are currently on the BPA provisional funding list. So CCNRD will likely put the Nason Creek RM 4.6 side channel reconnection project back into the 2013 SRFB round seeking construction funds from BPA, SRFB, and/or Tributary Committee.

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Culvert Connection and Back Channel Enhancement  
Lower Nason Creek Reach Based Restoratio (RM 3.5 to 4.7)