

An aerial rendering of a river basin. In the foreground, a large steel truss bridge spans across a river. The river flows through a lush green landscape with fields and trees. In the background, a town with several buildings and parking lots is visible. The text 'Chehalis Basin' is written in large white letters, and 'LAND' is written in even larger white outline letters below it. A small asterisk is placed above the letter 'D' in 'LAND'.

Chehalis Basin

LAND*

*** LOCAL ACTIONS NON-DAM ALTERNATIVE**

Community Priorities Workshop
January 19, 2023



WELCOME!

Chehalis Basin
LAND

WELCOMING REMARKS!

Chehalis Tribal Chairman: Dustin Klatush

LAND Steering Group Co-Chairs: Todd Chaput and Glen Connelly

Office of Chehalis Basin Director: Andrea Doyle

LONG-TERM RESILIENCE & VITALITY

Large & Small Scale

- Flood Solutions
- Aquatic Species Restoration



HOW THE CHEHALIS BASIN STRATEGY WORKS

Collaborative governance in action

Integrated approach to flood & fish

**Immediate action AND long-range
planning, at many scales**



SMART INVESTMENTS THAT ARE ALREADY WORKING



Evacuation routes and early flood **warning systems**



Flood protections for homes, businesses & critical infrastructure



Raised farm pads that safeguard farms, livestock and farm equipment



Fish passage barrier corrections opening up 100+ miles of salmon and steelhead



60+ habitat restoration projects

WORKSHOP AGENDA

- I. **Welcome and Introduction**

- II. **Community-Based Flood Protection for the Communities of the Chehalis River Basin:
Building the “No Dam” Alternative**

- III. **Discussion Groups: Identifying the Advantages and Disadvantages of the Four Options**

Break . . .

- IV. **Discussion Group Reports**

- V. **Large Group Review of Potential Resiliency Program Elements**

- VI. **Wrap-Up and Next Steps . . .**

Close . . .

PRESENTATION OVERVIEW

Building the “No Dam” Alternative . . .

Four Options for Reducing Flood Damage Based on the Hydrologic Modeling Results

Economic Development Opportunities

Funding Sources and Project Delivery Options

Resiliency Program Elements



BUILDING THE “NO DAM” ALTERNATIVE

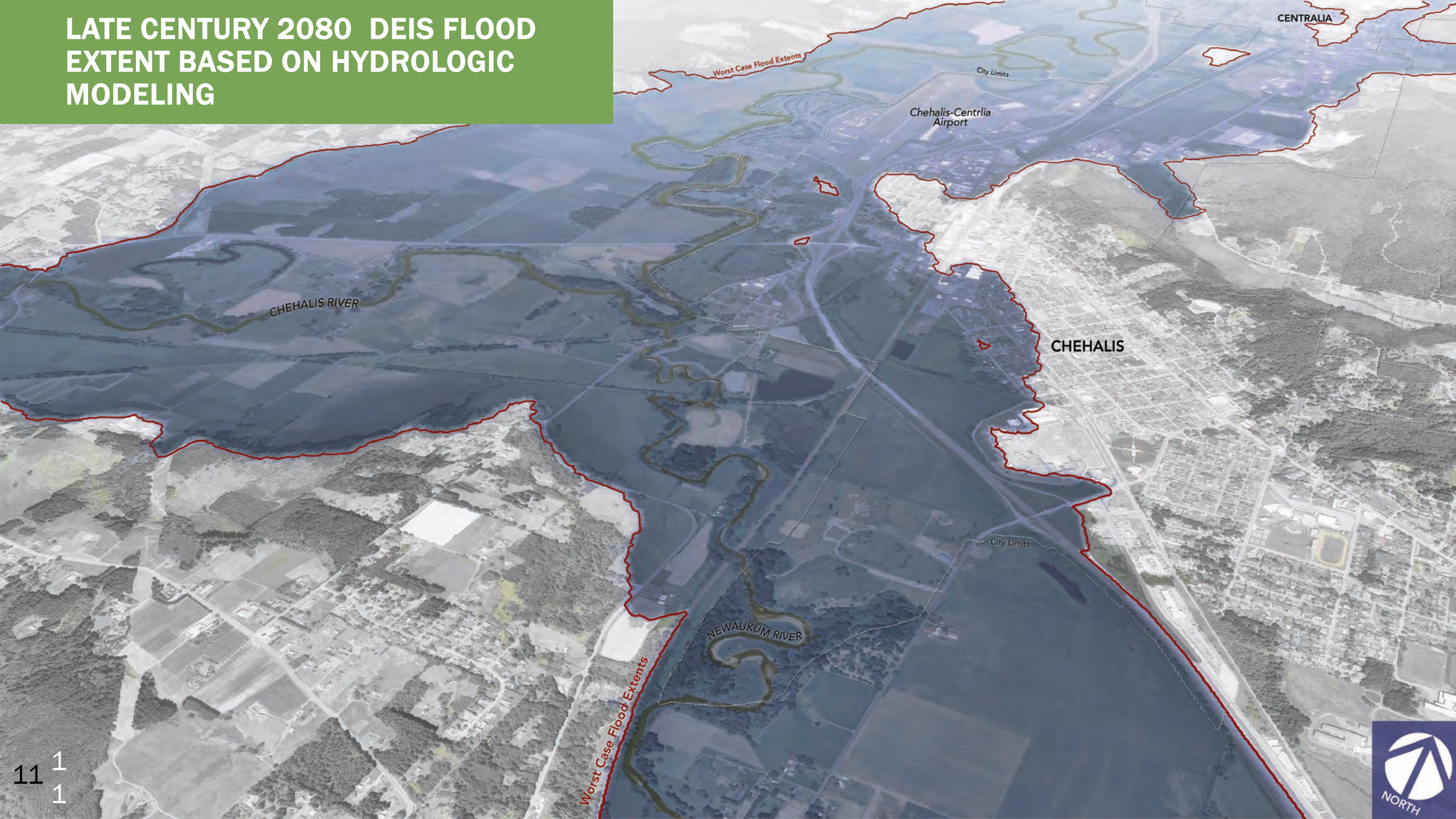
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CHEHALIS BASIN TODAY

CENTRALIA



LATE CENTURY 2080 DEIS FLOOD EXTENT BASED ON HYDROLOGIC MODELING



CENTRALIA

Worst Case Flood Extents

City Limits

Chehalis-Centria
Airport

CHEHALIS RIVER

CHEHALIS

City Limits

NEWAUKUM RIVER

Worst Case Flood Extents





**Can we reduce
catastrophic flood damage
in the Chehalis Basin
without building a dam?**



**Why are we taking
yet another look at this . . .
. . . haven't we studied
this enough?**

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**We have new information,
and new ideas,
to justify taking a
fresh look!**

THE “NO DAM” ALTERNATIVE PLANNING PROCESS



1.
Determine the target level of protection



2.
Determine the mix of new infrastructure, flood proofing, etc.



3.
Determine how much can be achieved through floodplain restoration



4.
Identify future economic development opportunities



5.
Identify potential funding and project delivery methods



COMMUNITY VALUES PLANNING WORKSHOP

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**How Many Attended
the Community Values
Planning Workshop?**



CHEHALSBISH LAND

CATEGORIES

- 1. Wetlands
- 2. Forestlands
- 3. Agricultural Lands
- 4. Urban and Community Development
- 5. State and Federal Lands
- 6. Private Lands
- 7. Other

VALUES

How to Prioritize the Land?

How to Measure the Value?

How to Allocate the Land?

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RESULTS OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING VALUES WORKSHOP

Family, Culture, Heritage:

The strength of the Chehalis Basin comes from its people and the diverse heritages, cultures, and experiences they represent.

Natural Wonder:

We value Chehalis Basin's unique environment, employment and recreation options, and a home to a wide array of animal and plant life.

Economic Vitality:

We strive to support local economies, keeping Chehalis Basin businesses robust. A thriving regional economy inspires innovation.

RESULTS OF THE COMMUNITY PLANNING VALUES WORKSHOP

Trust, Respect, Self-Determination:

The future of the Chehalis Basin must be decided by the community itself. We recognize and respect the rights of Tribal Nations and all private property owners in the Chehalis Basin.

Public Safety/Resiliency:

Safeguarding our communities from the negative impacts of flooding is fundamental. Adequate infrastructure should ensure regional resiliency.

Healthy Environment/Healthy People:

We envision a solution that prioritizes the well-being of our people and our environment.



GUIDING PRINCIPLES FOR THE NO-DAM ALTERNATIVE

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GUIDING PRINCIPLES

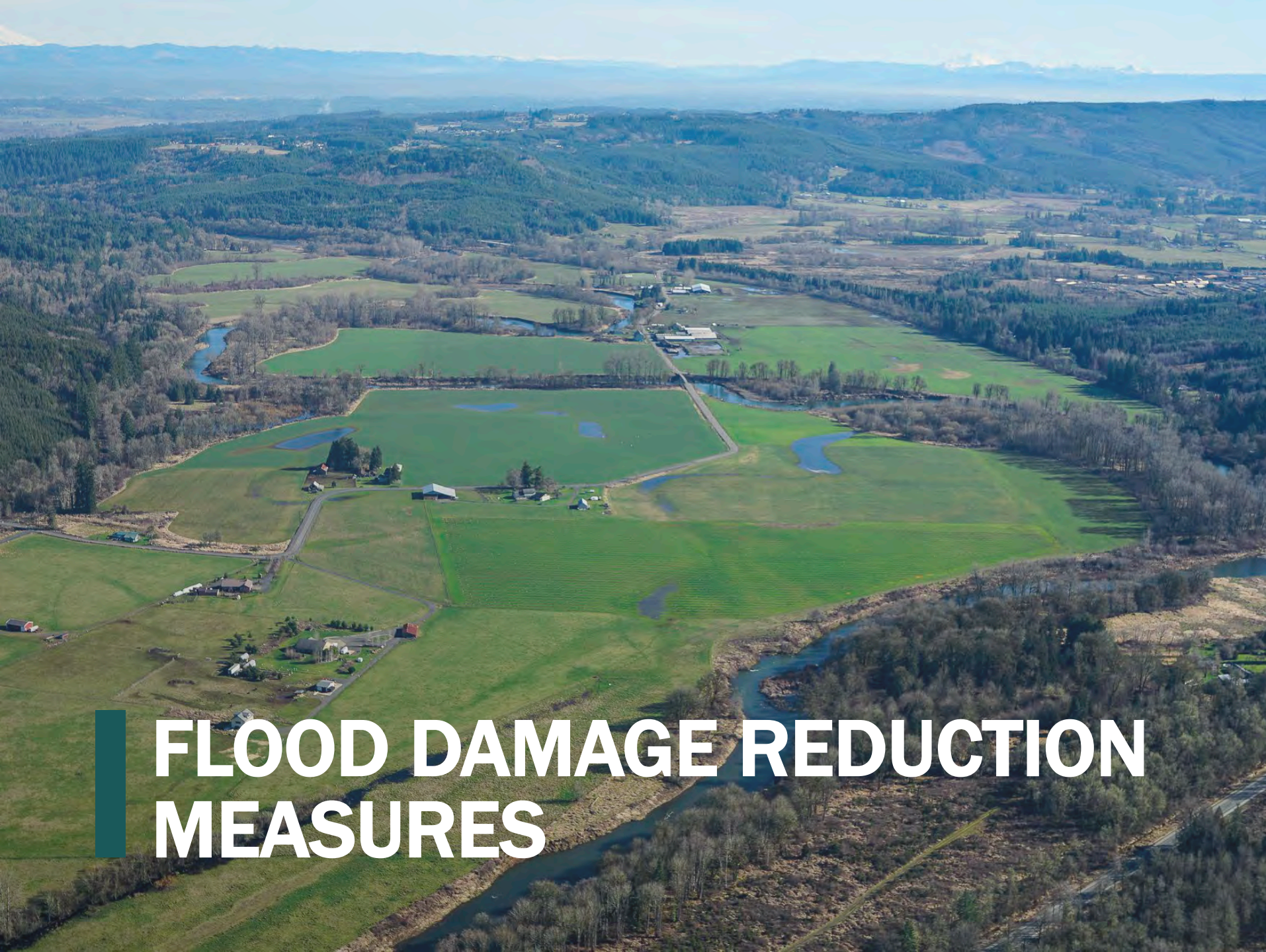
- 1. All properties that might be adversely affected by any of the LAND Alternative flood protection interventions will be mitigated at little or no cost to the affected property owner** within the legal requirements allowed for these types of actions.
- 2. Property owners and tenants will be compensated fairly**, assuming pre-disaster conditions, for voluntary relocations or property acquisition using funds that supplement public funding sources, to the extent feasible.
- 3. Site selection and site planning for any designated “receiving areas” will be guided by the local communities**, applying a combination of local codes, quality design standards, and community input governing each receiving area.

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 4. To the greatest degree practicable, proposed flood protection measures will be locally led** and based on reasonable cost/benefit assumptions with consideration for all impacted property owners and tenants at all income levels.
- 5. Implementation of proposed flood protection strategies and solutions will be at the discretion of individual property owners**, except where basin-wide flood protection measures are required for the success of the project as a whole.
- 6. The LAND Alternative will include a prioritized list of actions to reduce flood damage for property owners and tenants. Some in the short term (0 to 5 years), medium term (5-10 years), and long term (10+ years), while some measures will be required throughout the entire life of the project.**

GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 7. All proposed flood protection measures will be consistent with the goals of the Aquatic Species Restoration Plan (ASRP)** and will be designed to minimize impacts to aquatic and semi-aquatic species, while maintaining and supporting the revitalization of the salmon fishery in the Chehalis Basin.
- 8. All proposed flood protection measures will be designed using currently available, peer-reviewed ecological and biological science,** to reduce potential harmful impacts, and to restore and revitalize the natural systems of the watershed, where feasible.
- 9. The LAND Alternative will be designed to support community economic vitality** throughout the Chehalis River Basin.



FLOOD DAMAGE REDUCTION MEASURES

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Structural Interventions:

- Dams
- Floodwalls and levees (>6 feet)
- River channel diversions

Non-Structural Interventions:

- Floodproofing, elevating, and/or relocating homes and businesses
- Floodplain storage
- Berms and floodwalls (<6 feet)
- Local land use planning and building codes
- Resiliency programs, e.g., flood warning systems, emergency preparedness plans, equipment pre-positioning, etc.

BUILDING THE “NO DAM” ALTERNATIVE

OPTION 1: ”Safe” Structures and Floodplain Management

OPTION 2: Waterflow Diversion and Improved Conveyance

OPTION 3: New and Expanded Levees

OPTION 4: All Interventions

BUILDING THE “NO DAM” ALTERNATIVE . . .

Through a Combination of Structural (S) and Non-Structural (NS) interventions

OPTION 1

Safe Structures &
Floodplain
Management

NS

OPTION 2

Option 1 + Waterflow
Diversion and
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OPTION 3

Option 1 + New
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OPTION 4

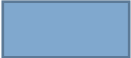



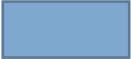















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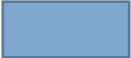





















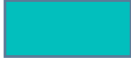
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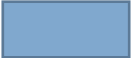





















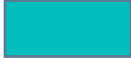
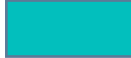


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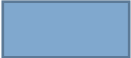























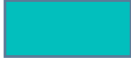

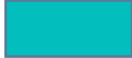




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OPTION 1: SAFE STRUCTURES & FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

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- Implement a “flood safe structures” program throughout the Chehalis Basin.
- Recreate natural floodplains where feasible to restore natural geomorphic river flows and increase flood water storage capacity.

THE FLOOD SAFE STRUCTURES CONTINUUM

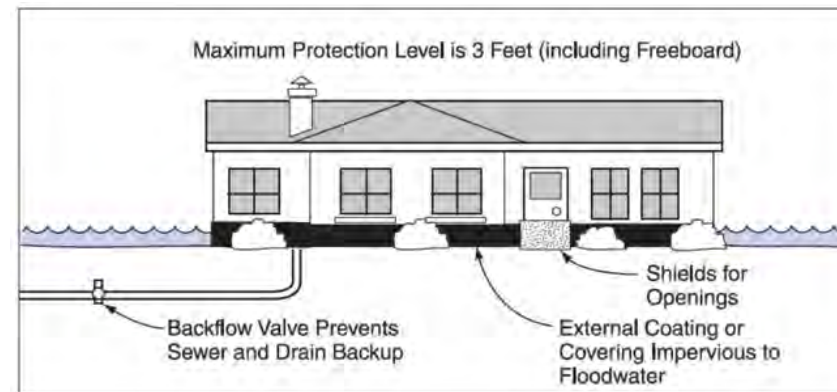
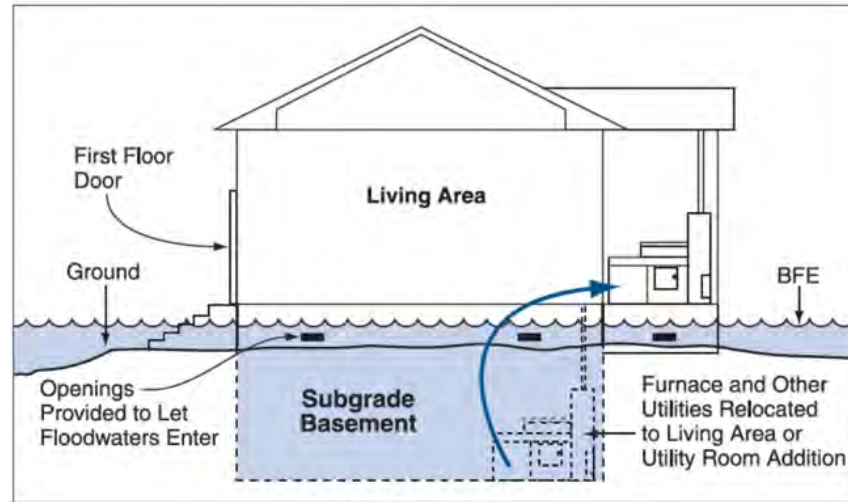
Level 1: Flood Insurance

Level 2: Utility Relocation

Level 3: Floodproofing
(both wet and dry)

Level 4: Structure Elevation

Level 5: Voluntary buy-out with
fair compensation and
relocation assistance
for homeowners and
tenants



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Maximize floodplain restoration where feasible, that also allows existing agriculture to operate.



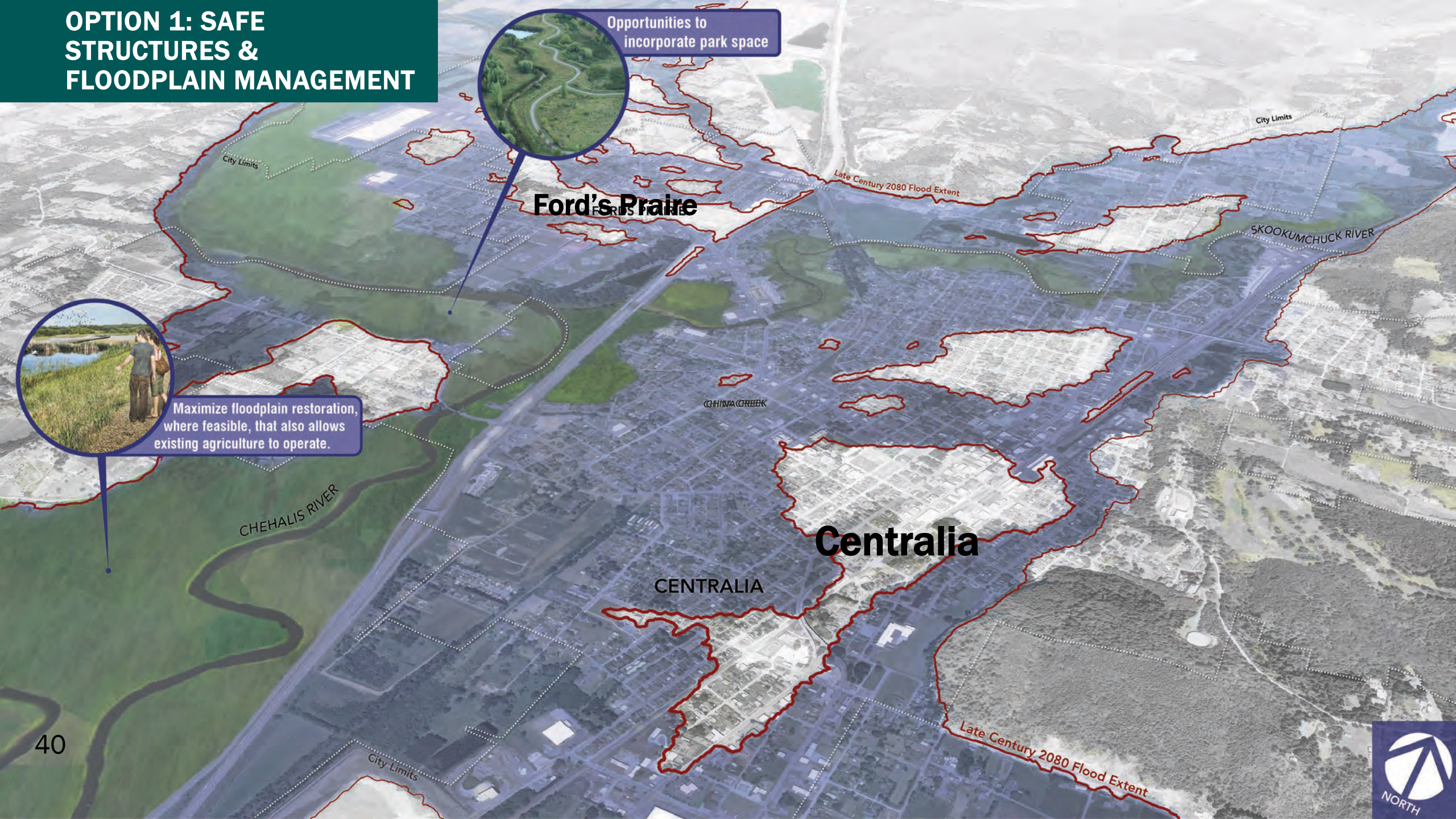
Increase access to the river using floodable parks, trails, and other open space



Improve riparian areas along rivers and streams



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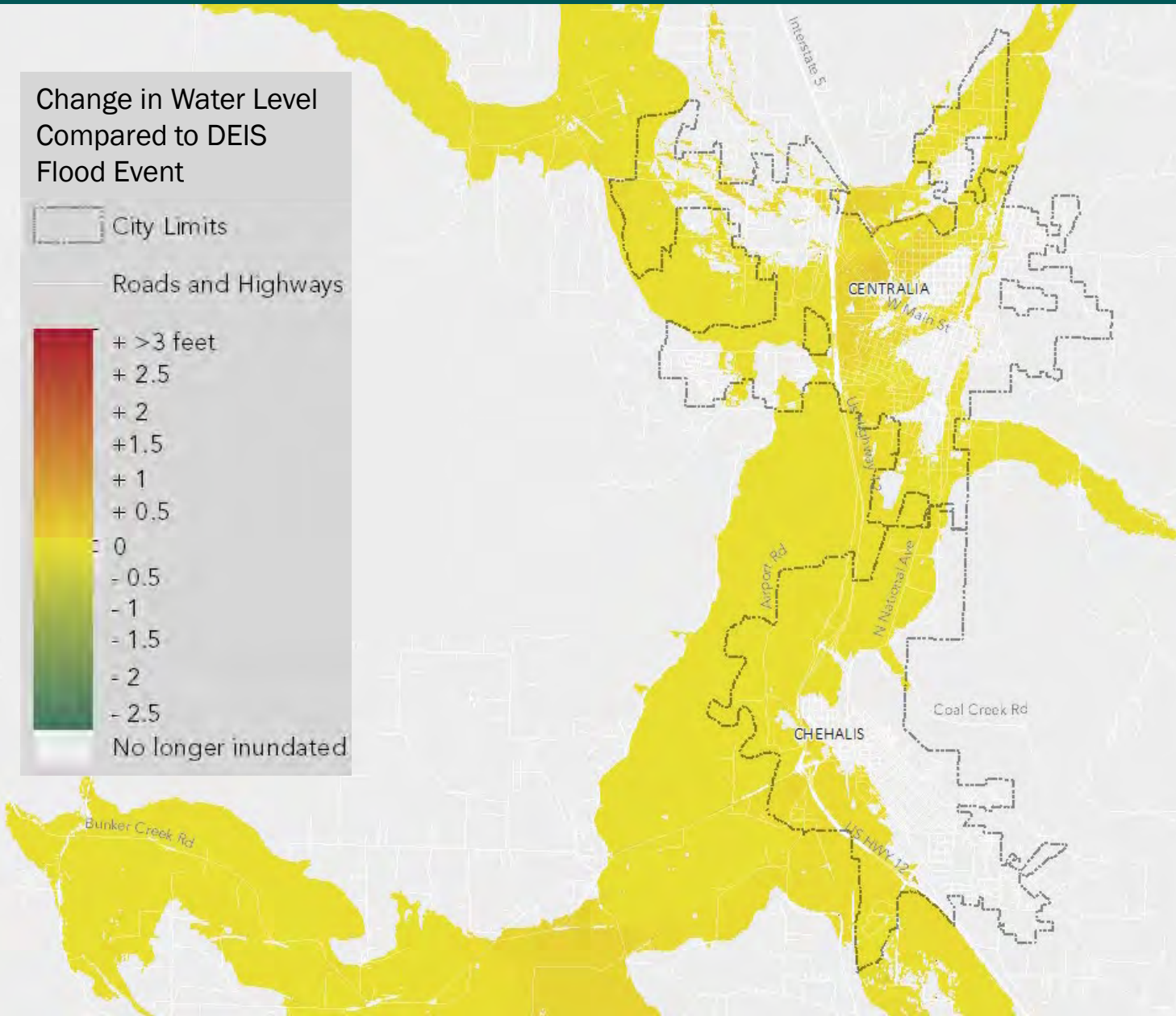
Opportunities to incorporate park space



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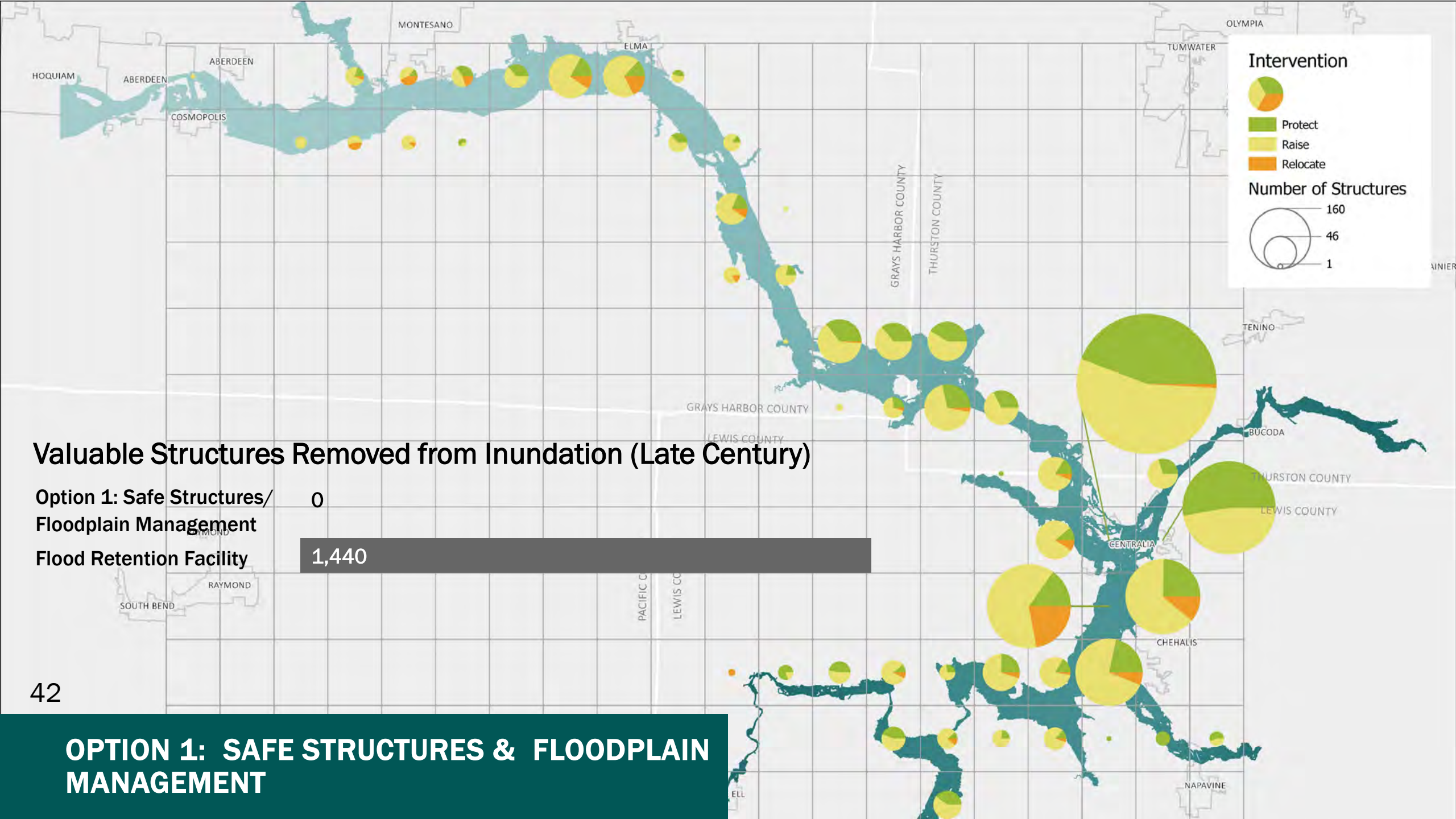


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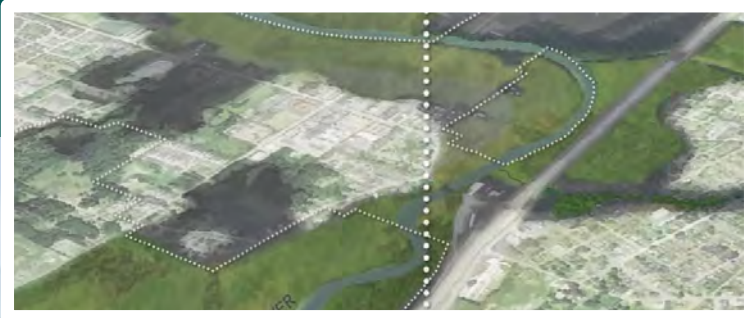


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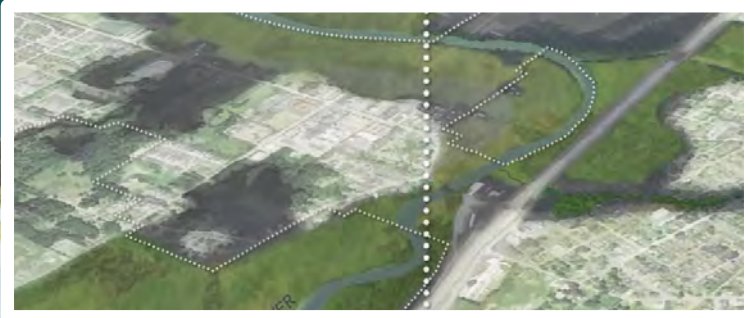
- No change in the level of inundation compared to the DEIS 2080 Late Century storm event



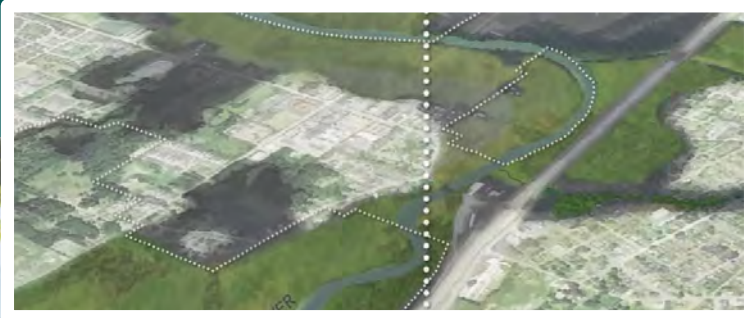
FLOODPLAIN NORTH OF HOSPITAL



FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION/MITIGATION



RESTORATION: FLOODED CONDITION



OPTION 1: SAFE STRUCTURES & FLOODPLAIN MANAGEMENT

Pros:

- Provides potential benefits to local landowners who decide to restore the floodplain on their properties using project assistance grant funding
- Supports flood relief for relatively “lite” storm events
- Provides potential overall environmental benefits
- Encourages adoption of flood-friendly land use and building codes

Cons:

- These measures by themselves do not reduce flood inundation levels for major storm events



**OPTION 2: WATERFLOW
DIVERSION AND IMPROVED
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- Construct a new 700-foot-wide, one-mile, long water diversion by excavating approximately 1.3 million cubic yards of soil west of the existing Mellen Street.
- Remove the Existing Mellen Street Bridge and reconstruct it approximately 2,000 feet to the south to connect to Military Road, west of the Chehalis River and I-5.
- Increase conveyance near the existing Mellen Street Bridge by removing approximately 1.3 million cubic yards of soil immediately upstream and for approximately 3,000 feet downstream of the existing Mellen Street Bridge.

There are documented cultural resources in the vicinity of the Mellen Street Bridge that must be evaluated prior to any ground disturbance.

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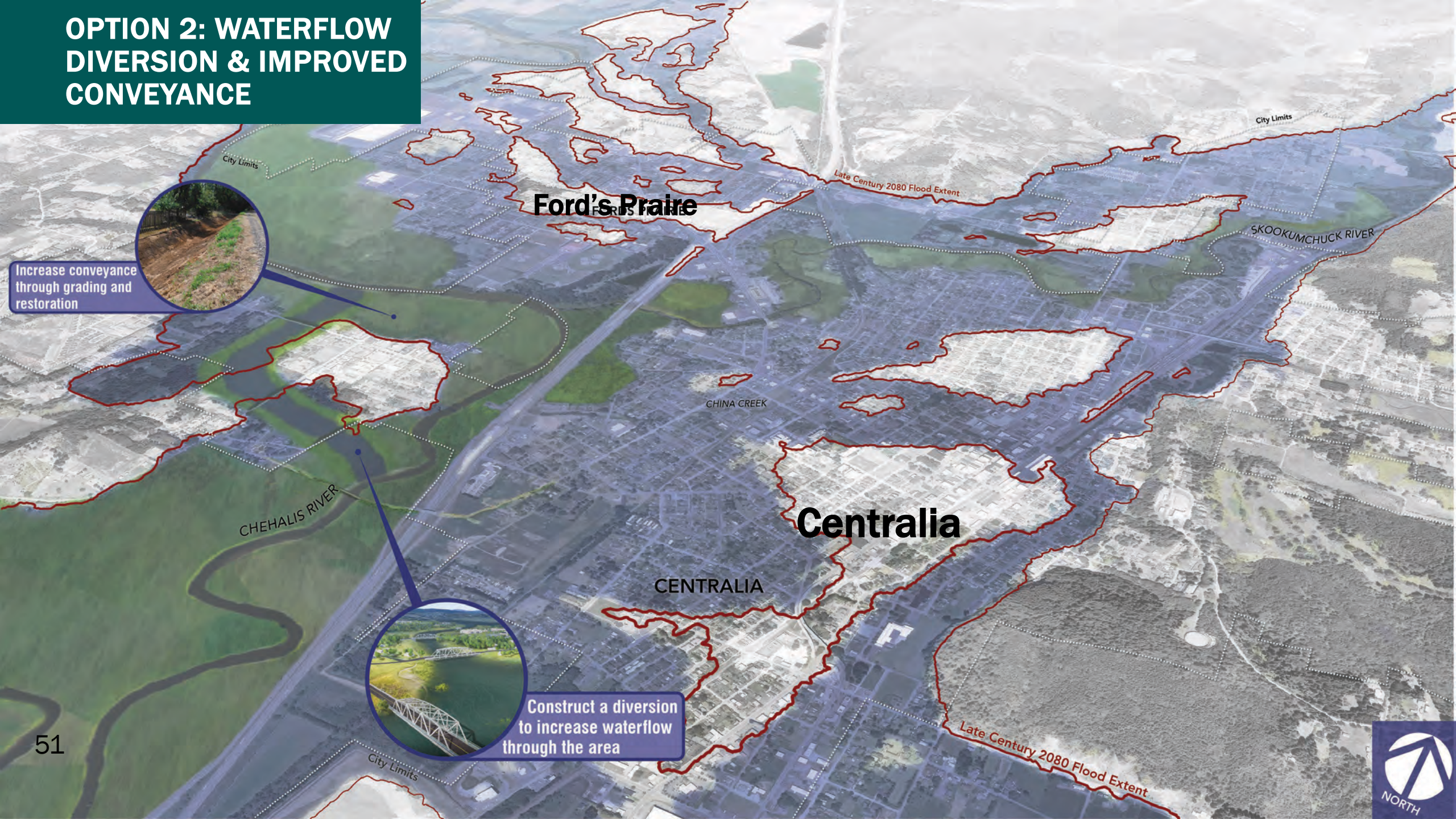
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City Limits

Late Century 2080 Flood Extent

SKOOKUMCHUCK RIVER

CHINA CREEK

CHEHALIS RIVER

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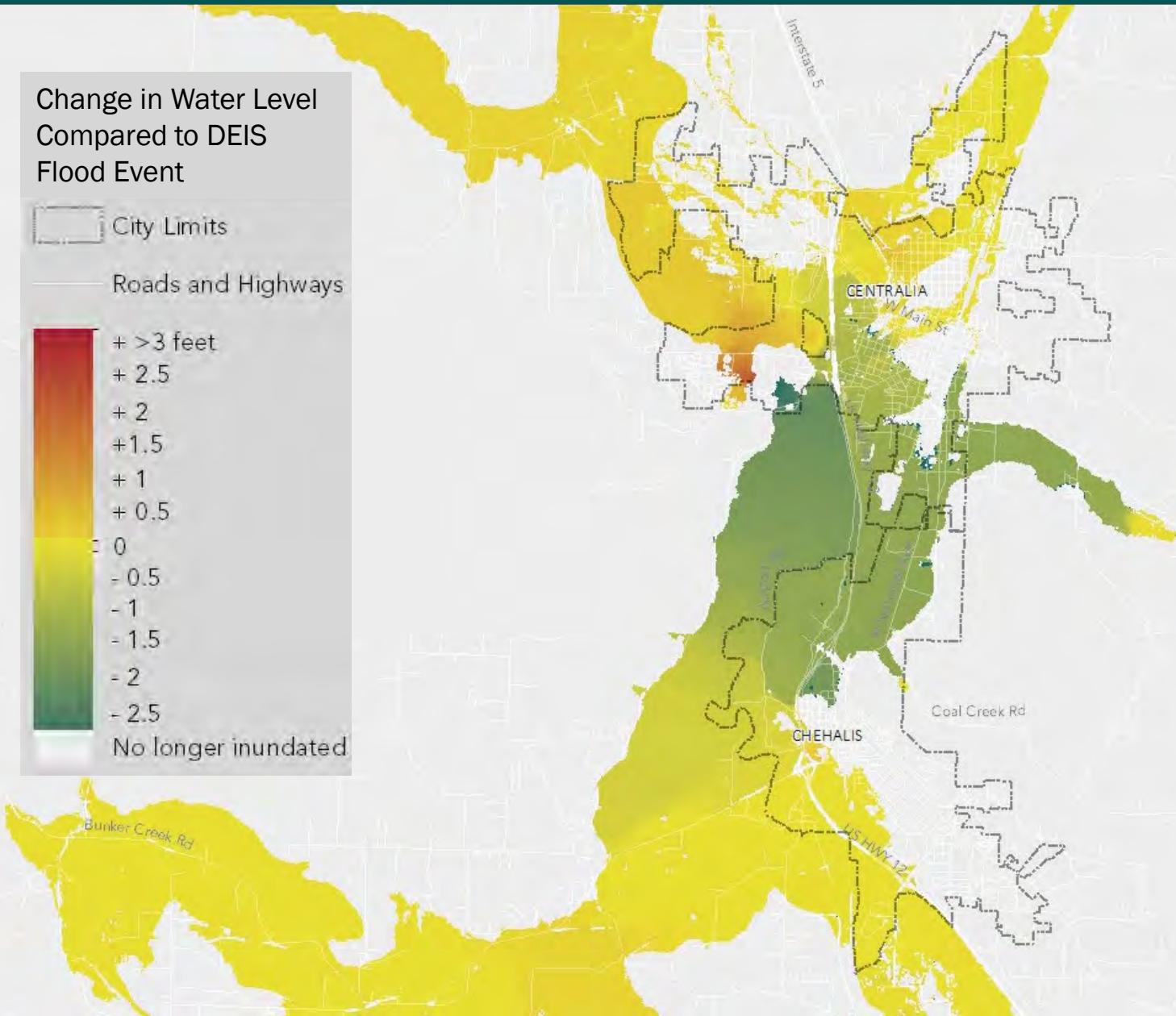
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Increase conveyance through grading and restoration

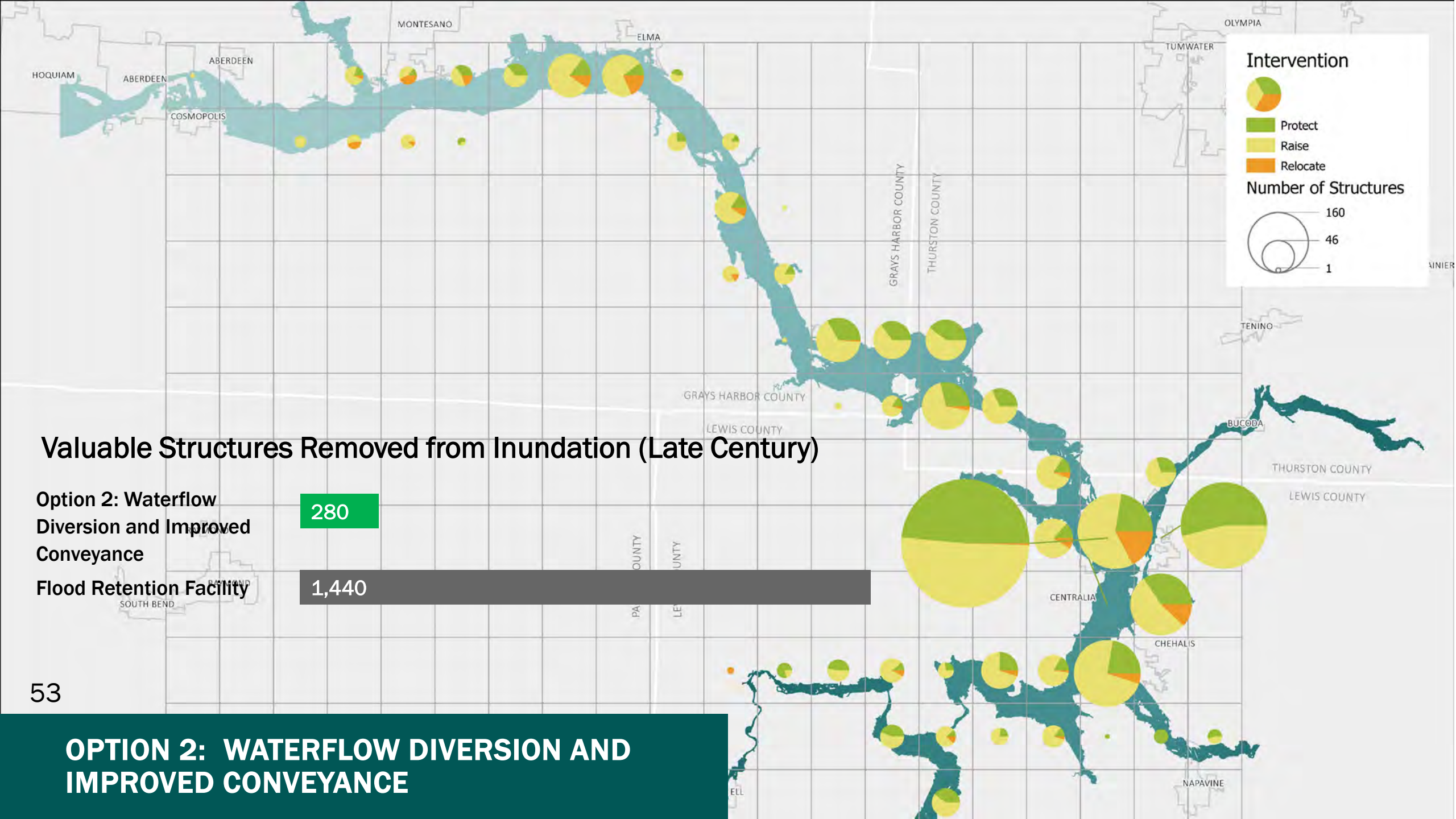
Construct a diversion to increase waterflow through the area

OPTION 2: DEPTH AND EXTENT OF INUNDATION



Option 2:

- Reduces flooding extents and lowered water surface elevation (WSE) for:
 - Skookumchuck River
 - China and Salzer Creeks
 - Chehalis River upstream of Mellen Street
 - Minor improvements for the Newaukum River
- Increased WSE by tenths of feet on the Chehalis River downstream of Mellen Street Bridge



Intervention

- Protect (Green)
- Raise (Yellow)
- Relocate (Orange)

Number of Structures

- 160 (Large circle)
- 46 (Medium circle)
- 1 (Small circle)

Valuable Structures Removed from Inundation (Late Century)

Option 2: Waterflow Diversion and Improved Conveyance	280
Flood Retention Facility	1,440

MELLEN STREET-TODAY



EXISTING MELLEN ST.
BRIDGE



MELLEN STREET DIVERSION



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RELOCATED MELLEN
ST. BRIDGE

SCHEUBER RD.
BRIDGE

MILITARY RD. BRIDGE



MELLEN STREET DIVERSION



SCHEUBER RD.
BRIDGE

MILITARY RD. BRIDGE

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DIVERSION-DOWNSTREAM



DIVERSION AND CONVEYANCE-DURING EVENT (OPTION 2)



DIVERSION AND CONVEYANCE-DURING EVENT (WITH LEVEE)



DIVERSION EXAMPLES – VEGETATED WIDE CHANNEL – THORNTON CREEK - SEATTLE



DIVERSION EXAMPLES – NAPA RIVER



PLACEMAKING – CITY OF NAPA, NAPA VALLEY



Source: SFGate





MAKING ROOM FOR RIVERS – THE NETHERLANDS



MAKING ROOM FOR RIVERS – THE NETHERLANDS



CEDAR RIVER – CEDAR RAPIDS, IOWA

FLOOD CONTROL SYSTEM
MASTER PLAN
NOVEMBER 2022



OPTION 2: WATERFLOW DIVERSION & IMPROVED CONVEYANCE

Pros:

- Reduces impacts to structures
- Results in fewer construction-related impacts compared to levees
- Provides significant economic development benefits
- Reduces impacts during catastrophic flood events
- Encourages adoption of flood-friendly land use and building codes

Cons:

- Documented cultural resources in the vicinity of the Mellen Street Bridge must be evaluated prior to any ground disturbance.
- Provides less flood damage reduction compared to the levee concept (Option 3)
- Complex permitting, land acquisition and additional transportation costs
- Balancing cut and fill requirements (2.6M cubic yards of material)



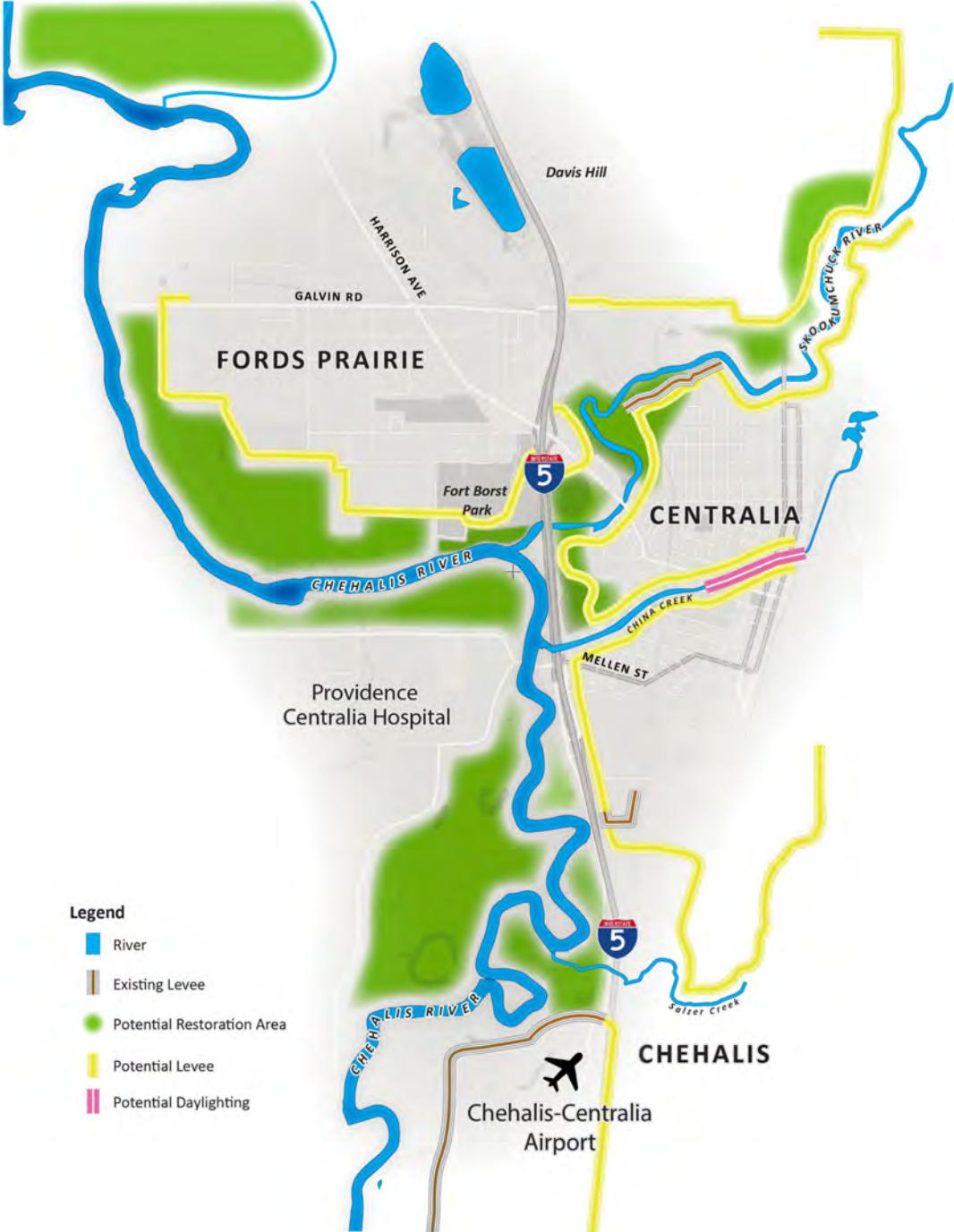
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Construct approximately 20.4 miles of new levees or expanded levees:

- New levee on the north bank of the Chehalis River from north of Fort Borst Park downstream to Galvin Road (2.7 miles)
- New levee on the east side of I-5 from China Creek south to Salzer Creek (3.3 miles)
- New and expanded levees on the north and south sides of the Skookum chuck River (6.6 miles)
- Expanded levee around the Chehalis-Centralia Airport (4.3 miles)
- New levee on the north bank of the Newaukum River east of I-5 near (1.2 miles)
- New levees on the north and south sides of China Creek from I-5 to the railroad tracks (2.3 miles)

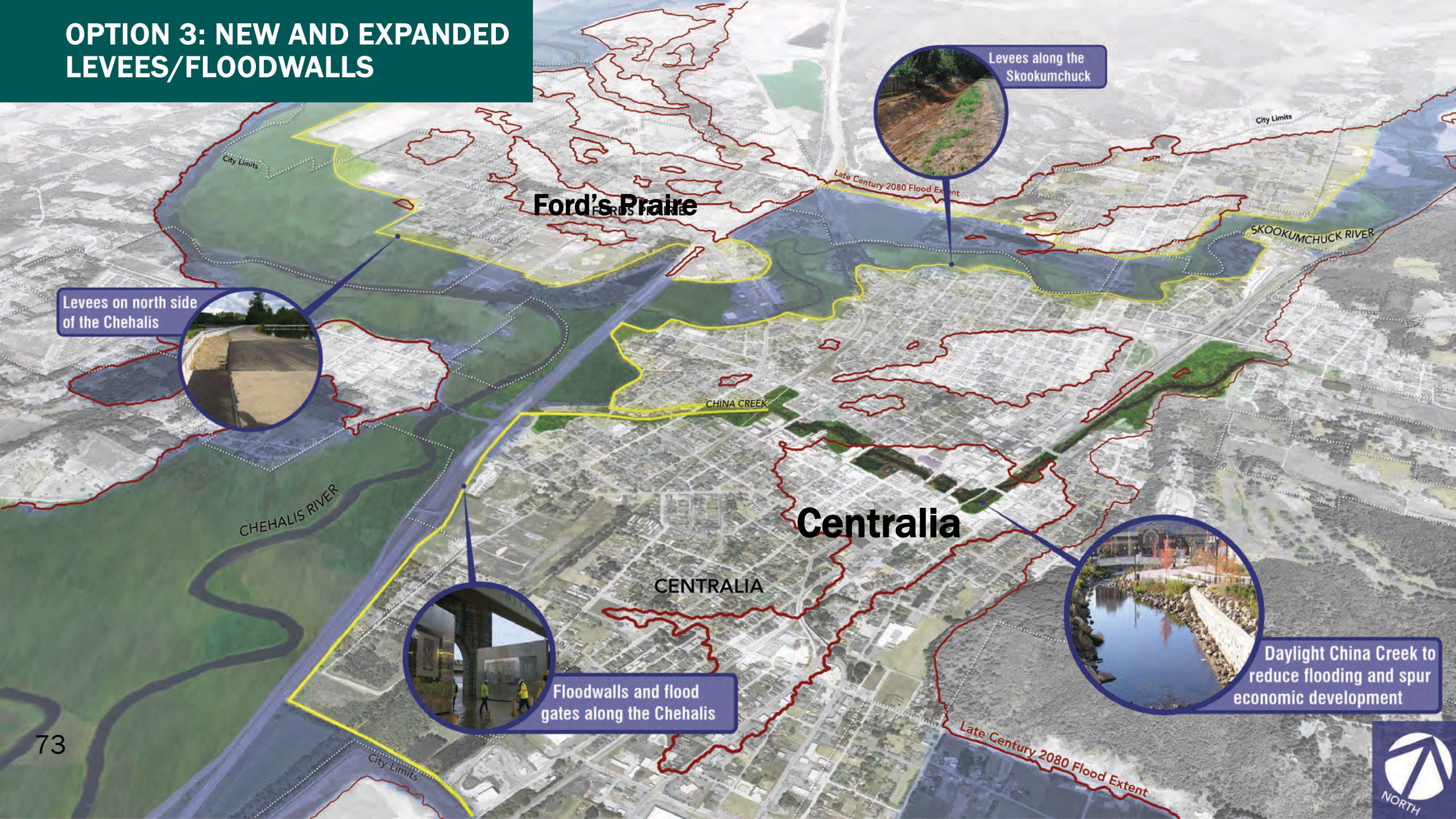
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CHEHALIS RIVER

CHINA CREEK

SKOOKUMCHUCK RIVER

Levees along the Skookumchuck

Levees on north side of the Chehalis

Floodwalls and flood gates along the Chehalis

Daylight China Creek to reduce flooding and spur economic development

Late Century 2080 Flood Extent

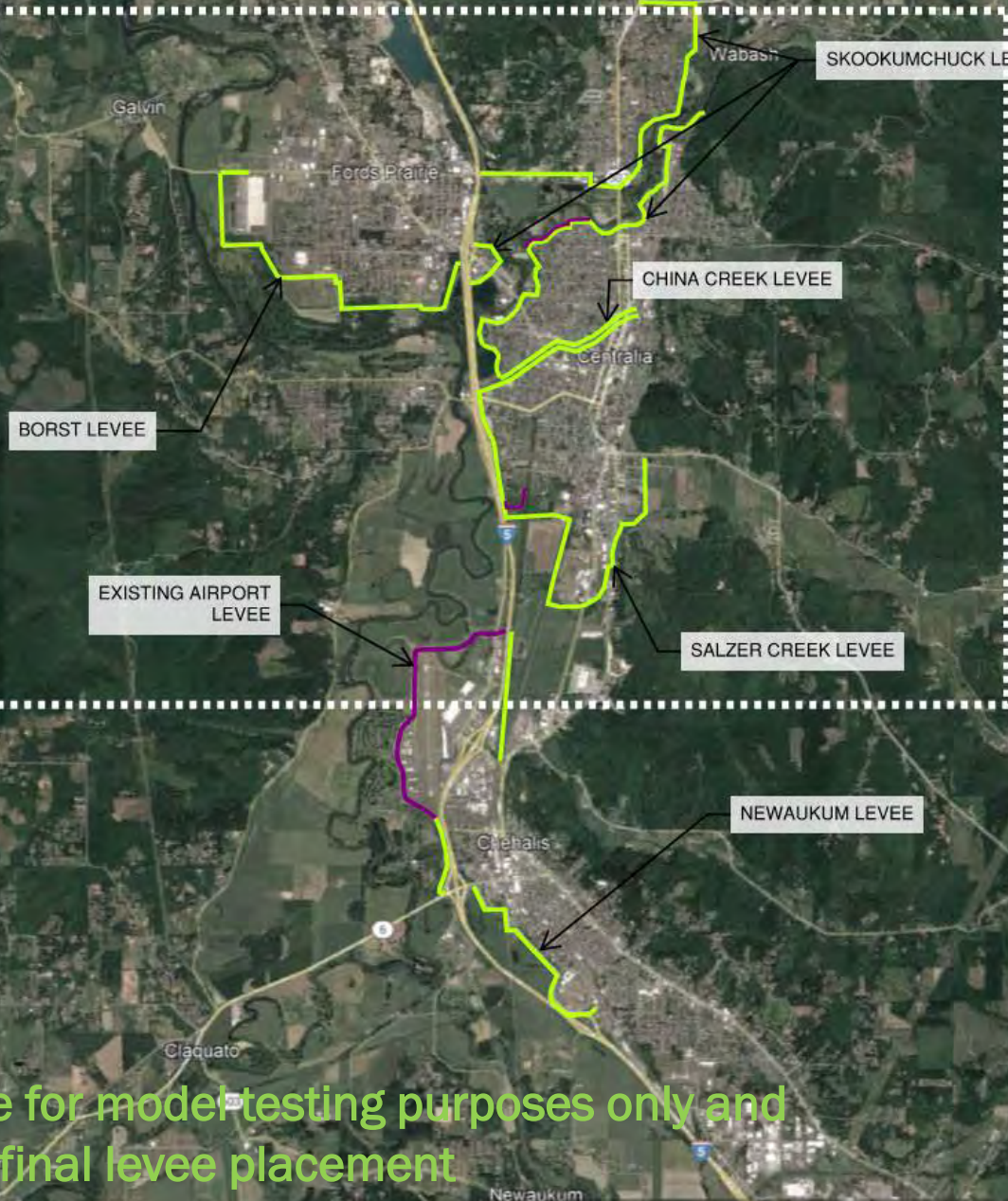


OVERALL LEVELS PLAN

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CENTRALIA LEVELS PLAN

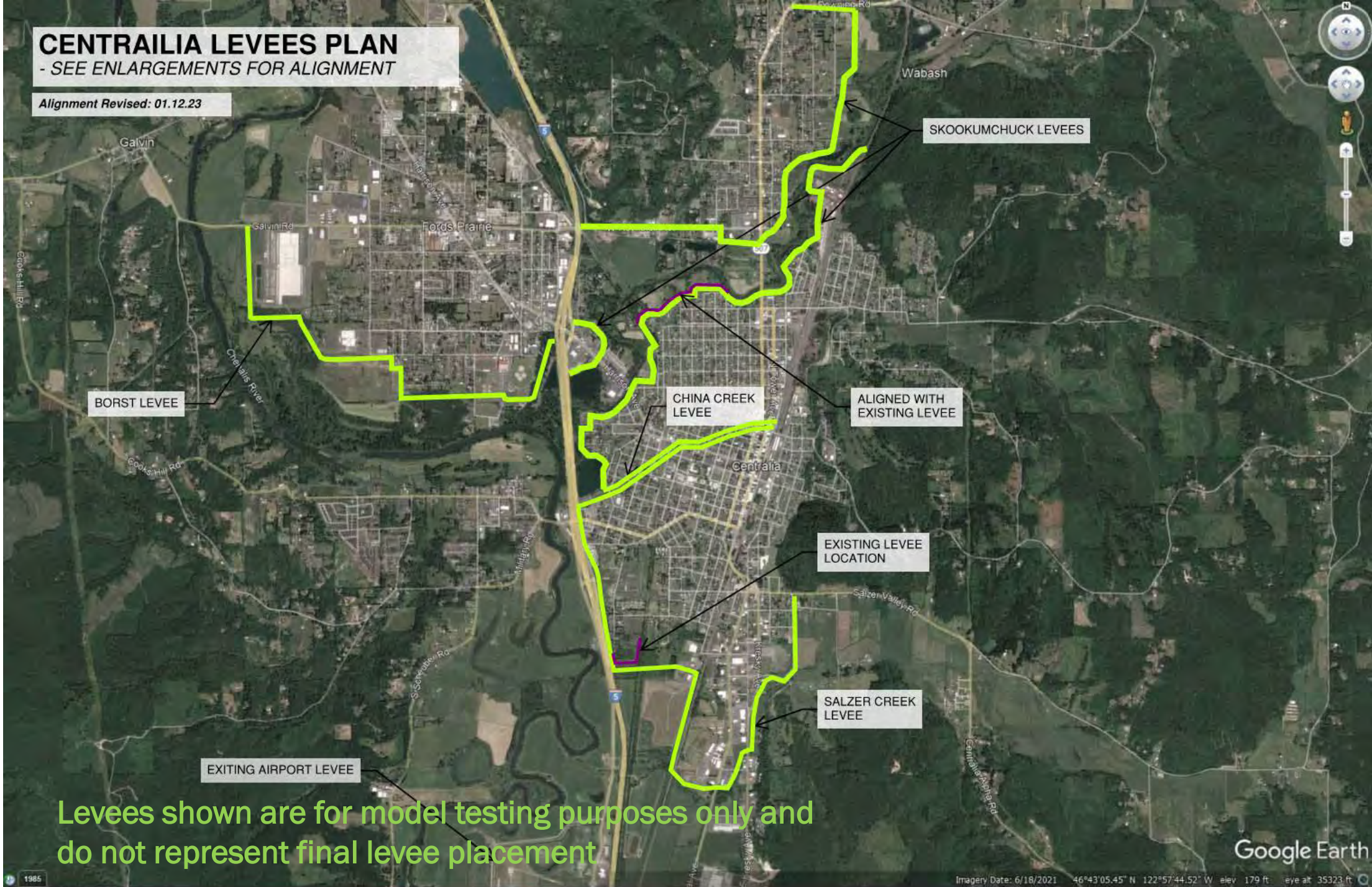


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CENTRALIA LEVEES PLAN

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BORST LEVEE

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SKOOKUMCHUCK LEVEES

CHINA CREEK LEVEE

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CHINA CREEK LEVEE

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SEE SKOOKUMCHUCK
LEVEES ENLARGEMENT
FOR THIS SEGMENT

SEE SALZER CREEK
LEVEE ENLARGEMENT
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SALZER CREEK LEVEE

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SEE CHINA CREEK LEVEE ENLARGEMENT FOR THIS SEGMENT

EXISTING LEVEE LOCATION

EXITING AIRPORT LEVEE

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SKOOKUMCHUCK LEVEES

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POTENTIAL ALTERNATE ALIGNMENT

ALIGN WITH EXISTING LEVEE

SEE CHINA CREEK LEVEE ENLARGEMENT

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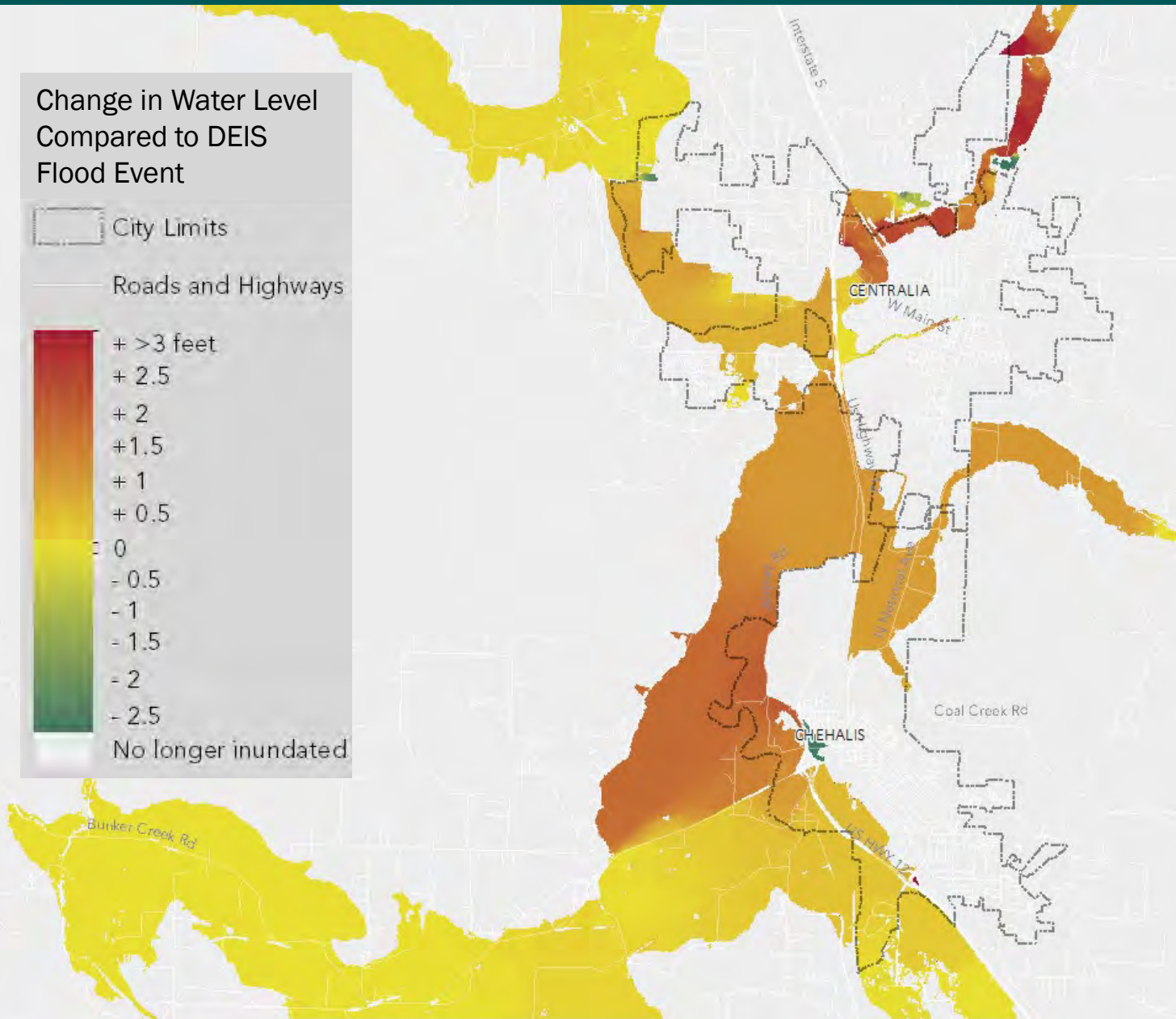
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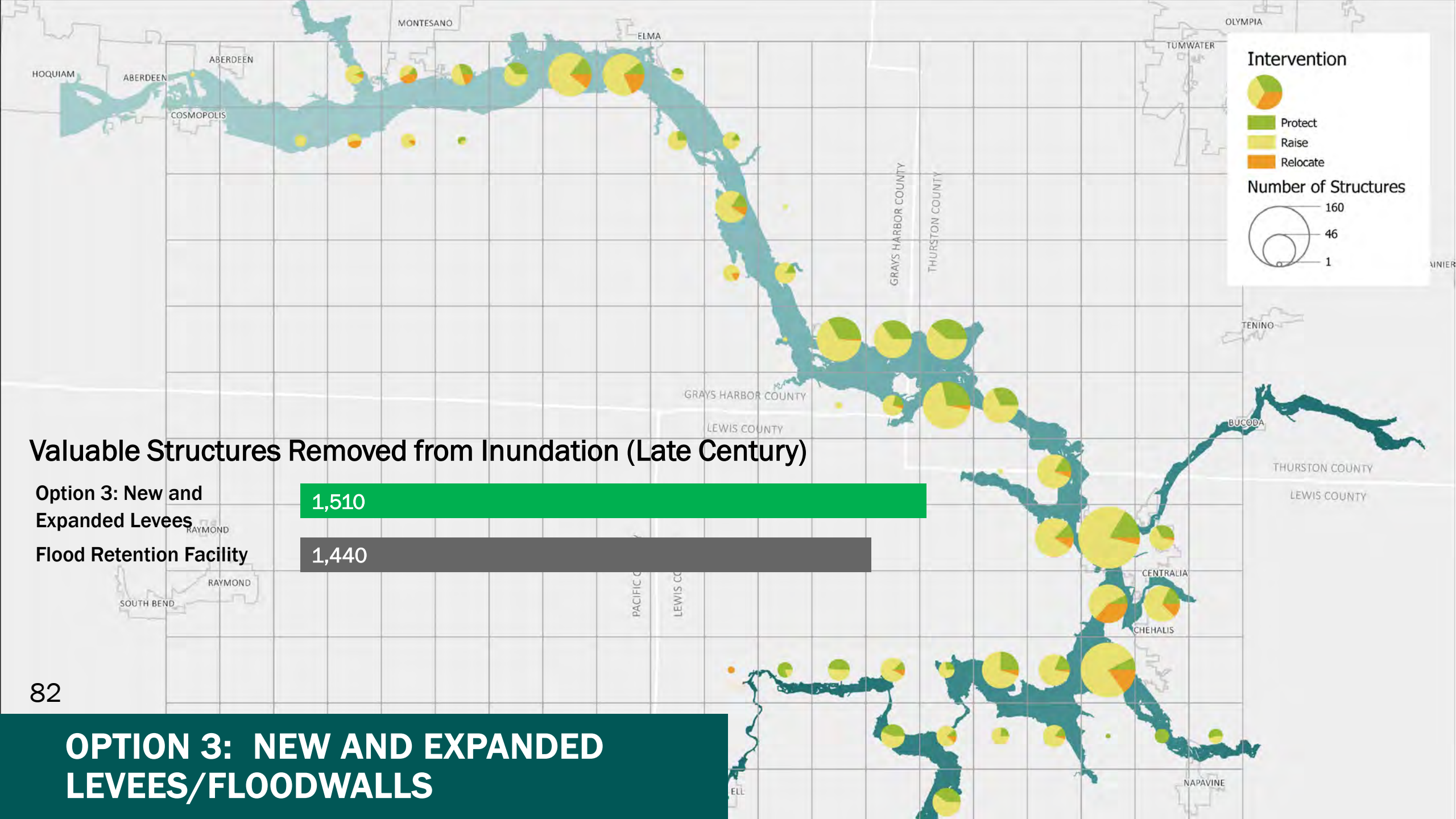
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OPTION 3: DEPTH AND EXTENT OF INUNDATION



Option 3:

- Significantly reduces flooding extents on the landward side of levees
- Increases water level riverward of levees on Skookumchuck, Salzer, Newaukum (less significant) and Chehalis (more significant) upstream of Mellen Street



Valuable Structures Removed from Inundation (Late Century)

Option 3: New and Expanded Levels



Flood Retention Facility

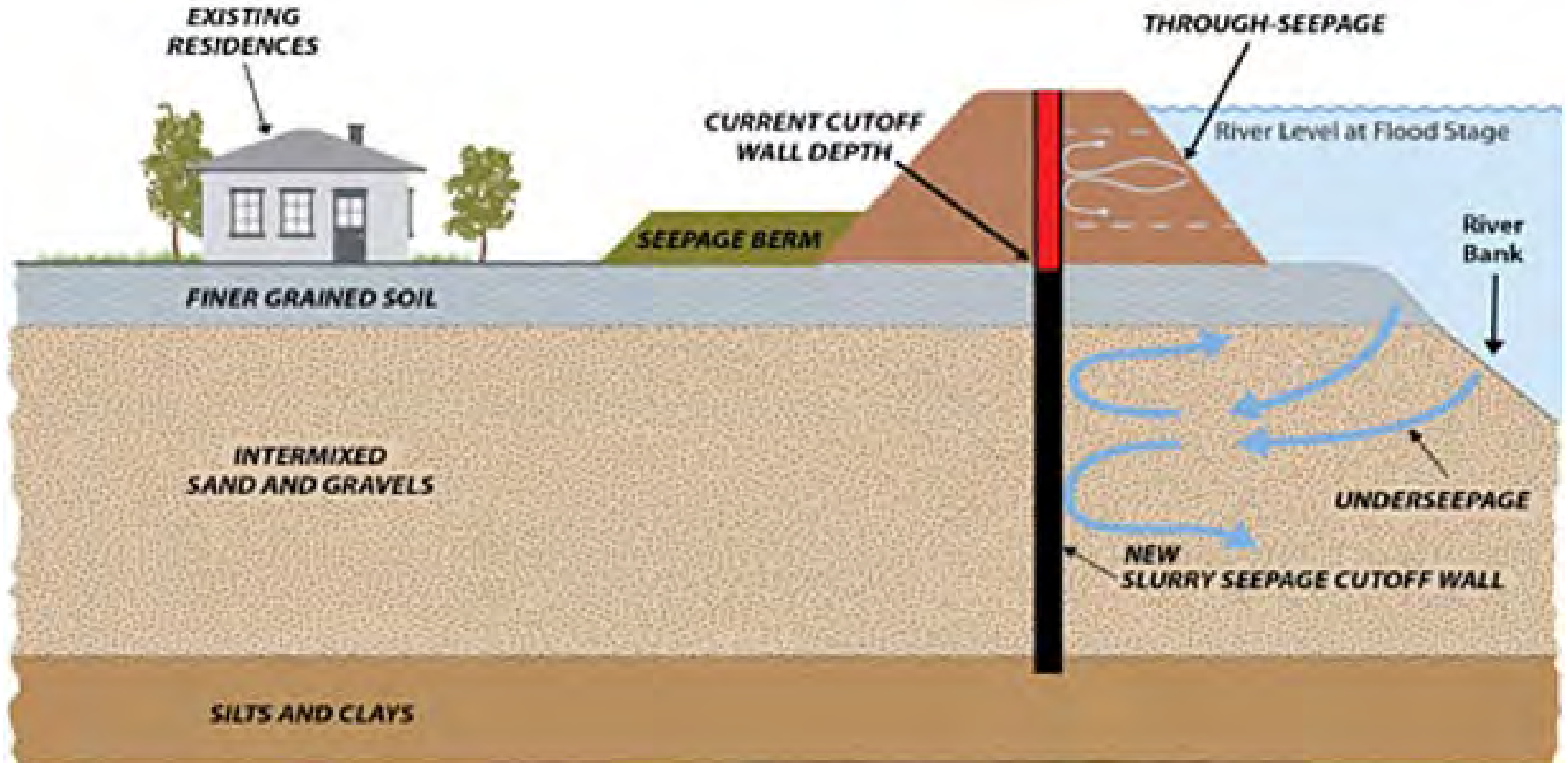


LEVEE - WALL





LEVEE SECTION



LEVEE – LANDFORM



LEVEE - AMENITY



LEVEE - AMENITY



LEVEE - INFRASTRUCTURE



FLOOD WALL, MOUNT VERNON



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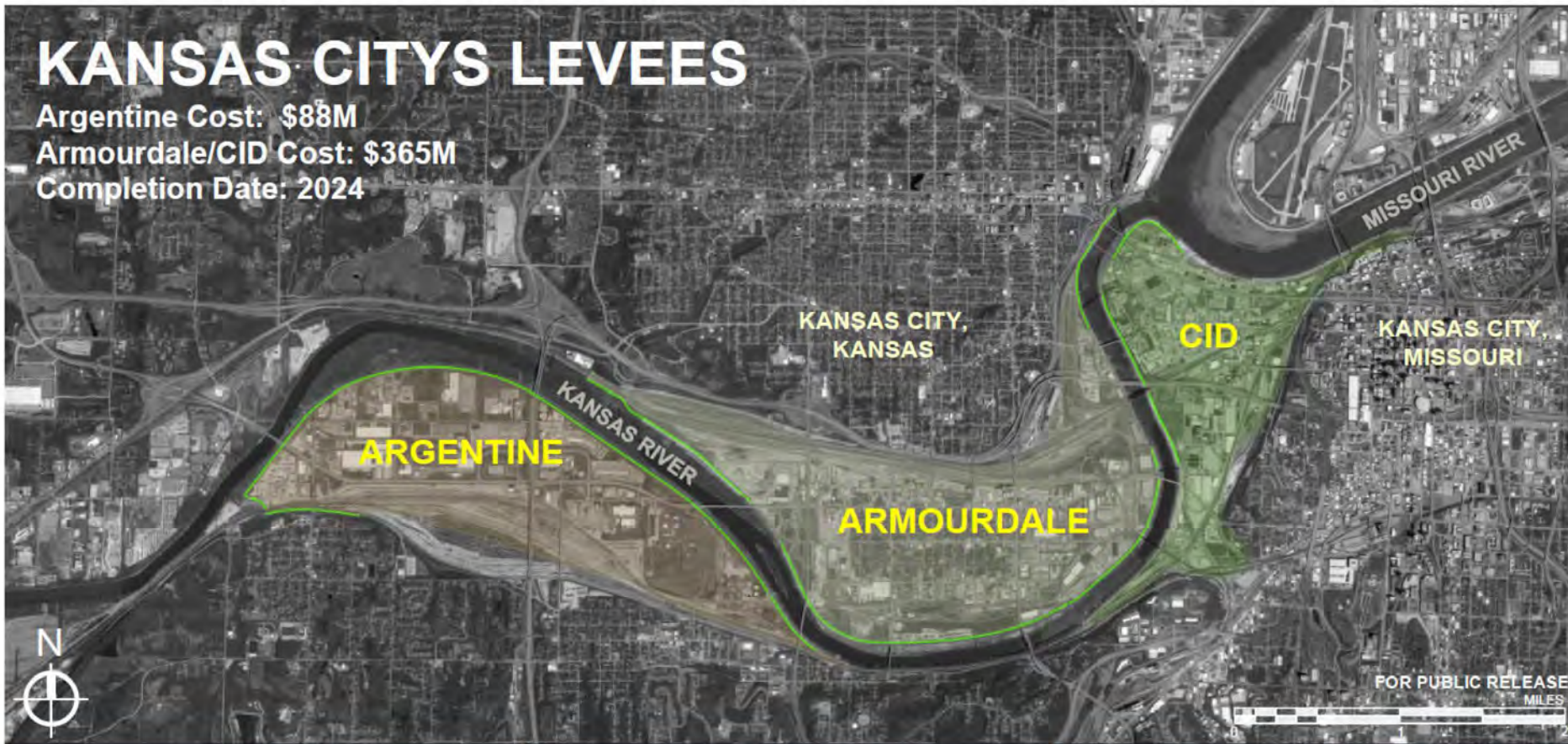
DOWNTOWN MOUNT VERNON



Source: Mt Vernon Parks Foundation

KANSAS CITYS LEVEES

Argentine Cost: \$88M
 Armourdale/CID Cost: \$365M
 Completion Date: 2024



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KAW VALLEY DRAINAGE DISTRICT



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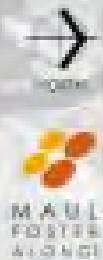
ARGENTINE LEVEL UNIT		ARMOURDALE LEVEL UNIT		CENTRAL INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT LEVEL UNIT	
PROJECT FEATURES	IMPROVEMENTS	PROJECT FEATURES	IMPROVEMENTS	PROJECT FEATURES	IMPROVEMENTS
Constructed: 1951	Improved performance reliability	Constructed: 1951	Improved performance reliability	Constructed: 1950	Improved performance reliability
Total Miles: 5.48 mi.	Five feet of levee and floodwall raise	Total Miles: 6.58 mi.	Four feet of levee and floodwall raise	Total Miles: 4.83 mi.	Four feet of levee and floodwall raise. Adding 600 feet of floodwall
Embankment: 5.21 mi	Installation of ~50 relief wells	Embankment: 5.30 mi	Installation of ~75 relief wells	Embankment: 1.84 mi	Installation of ~75 relief wells
Floodwall: 0.27 mi	Stability improvement measures	Floodwall: 1.28 mi	Stability improvement measures	Floodwall: 2.99 mi	Stability improvement measures
Closure Structures: 2	Two closure structure replacements	Closure Structures: 5	Modifying or replacing closure structures	Closure Structures: 11	Modifying or replacing closure structures
Population at Risk: 10,700	Replace two pump stations	Population at Risk: 6,700	Modifying seven pump stations	Population at Risk: 7,494	Modifying five pump stations
Structures at Risk: 723	Repair one pump station	Structures at Risk: 1,468	Abandoning two pump stations	Structures at Risk: 526	Abandoning two pump stations
Property Value: \$3.05B	Utility Relocations	Property Value: \$3.06B	Utility Relocations	Property Value: \$3.36B	Utility Relocations
Leveed Area: 3.09 sq. mi.	Modifying drainage structures	Leveed Area: 3.08 sq. mi.	Modifying drainage structures	Leveed Area: 1.48 sq. mi.	Modifying drainage structures



DAYLIGHTING: FRY CREEK FLOOD REDUCTION PLAN



Source: City of Aberdeen



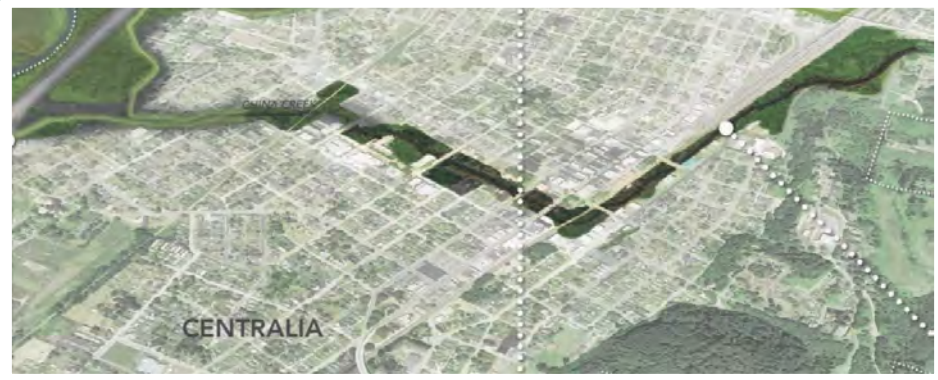
STREAM DAYLIGHTING – THORNTON CREEK, SEATTLE



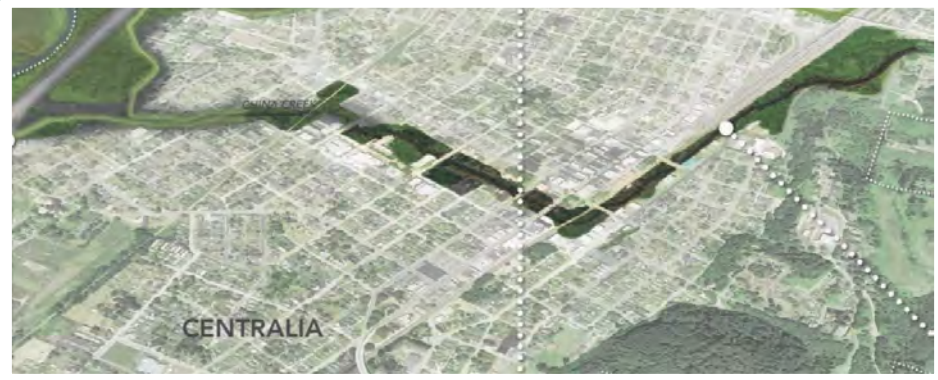
CREEK DAYLIGHTING – RENO NEVADA



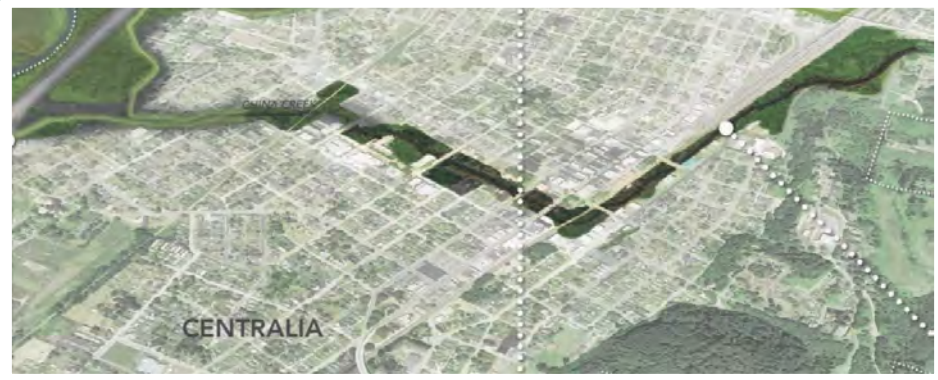
CHINA CREEK DAYLIGHTING



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OPTION 3: NEW AND EXPANDED LEVEES/FLOODWALLS

Pros:

- Provides greatest flood damage reduction to structures
- Economic development benefits (construction etc. and land removed from the floodplain)
- Encourages adoption of flood-friendly land use and building codes

Cons:

- Highest construction-related impacts of the concepts
- Potential visual and community connectivity impacts
- Complexity of permitting, land acquisition and additional access infrastructure cost
- Increases river heights in some locations
- Constrains river to limited areas

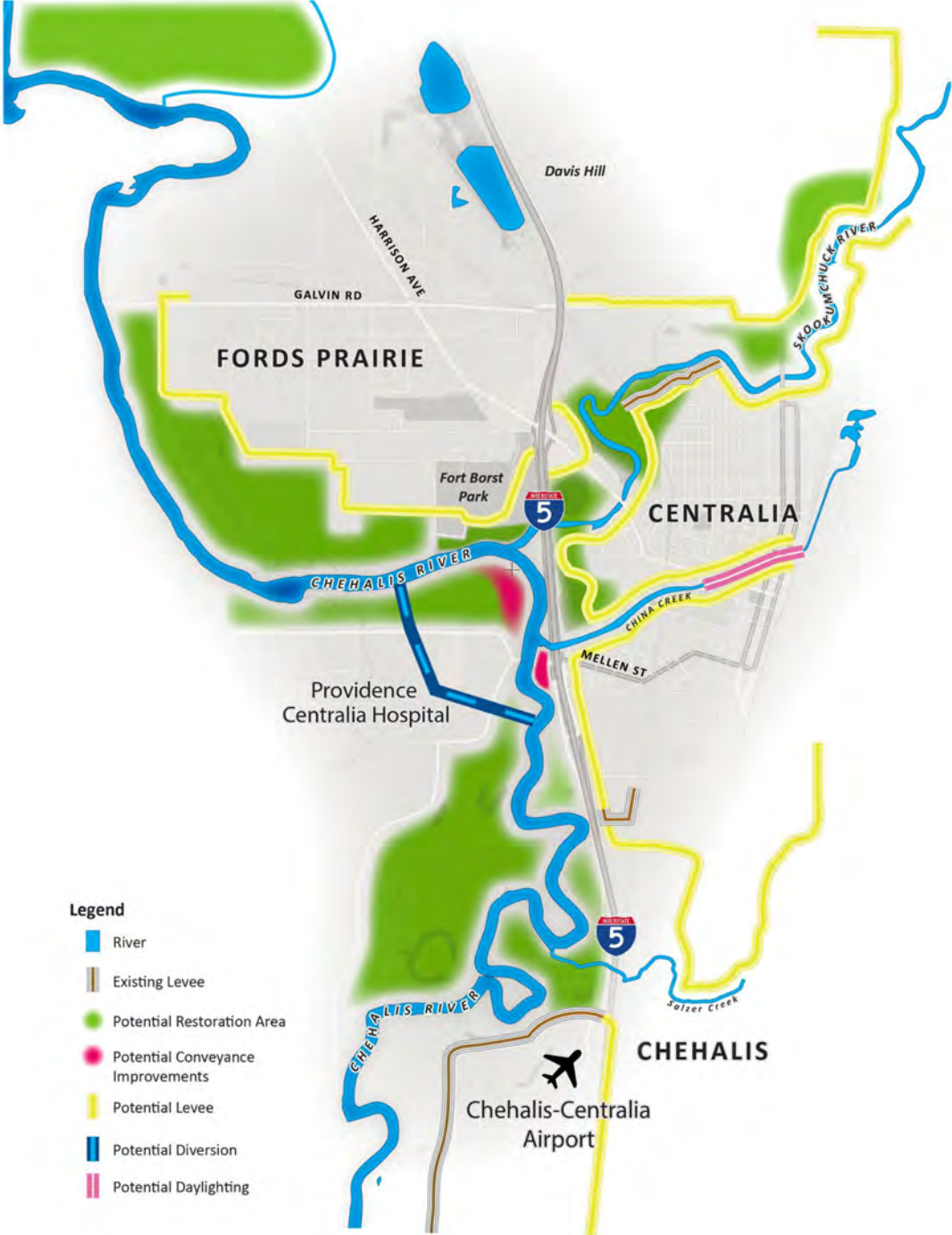


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- Includes all interventions previously described

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Focus on areas where there is a basin-wide benefit



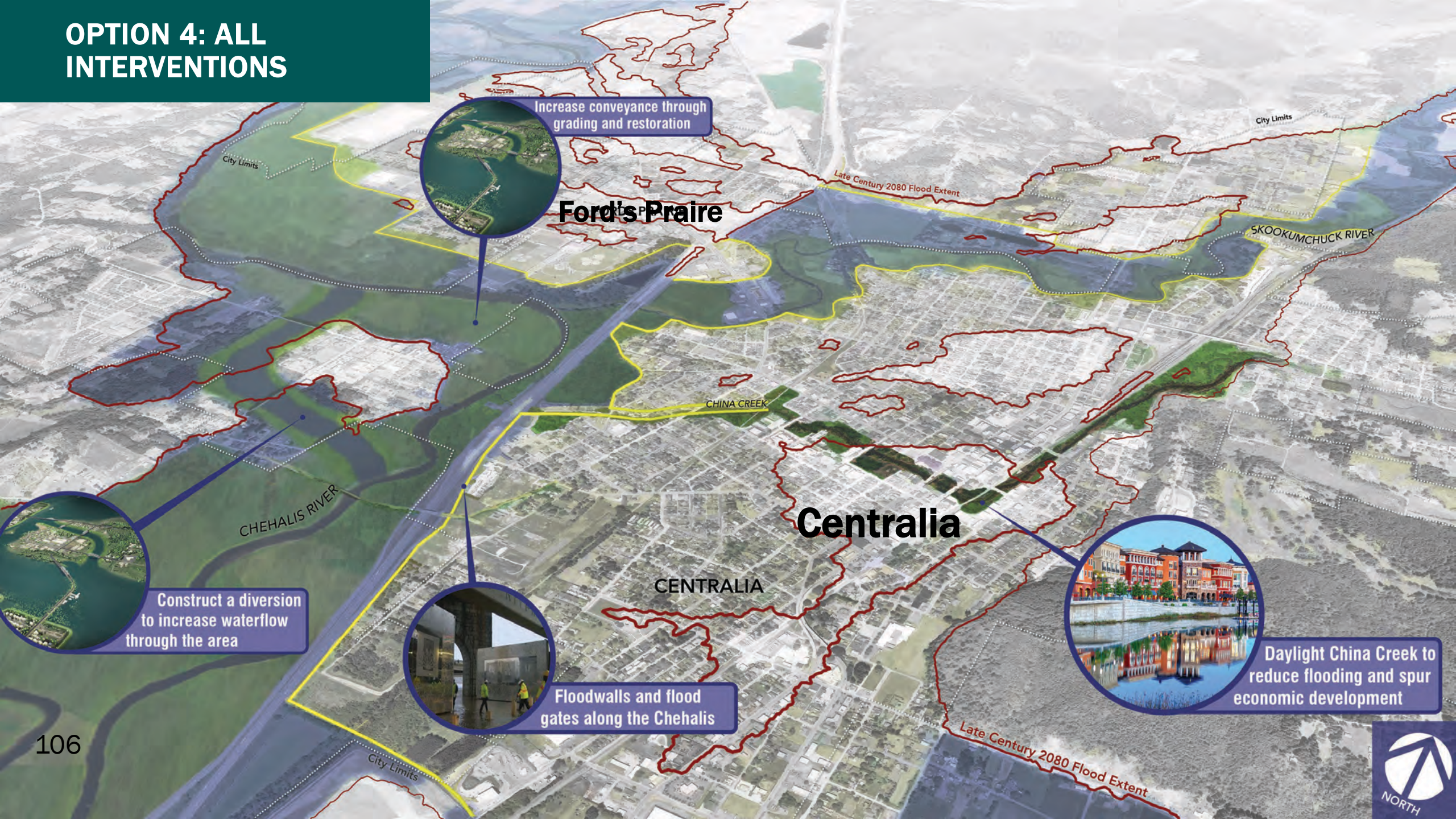
New or expanded floodwalls and floodgates



Levees to protect existing development



OPTION 4: ALL INTERVENTIONS



Increase conveyance through grading and restoration

Ford's Prairie

Construct a diversion to increase waterflow through the area

CHEHALIS RIVER

Floodwalls and flood gates along the Chehalis

Centralia

CENTRALIA

CHINA CREEK

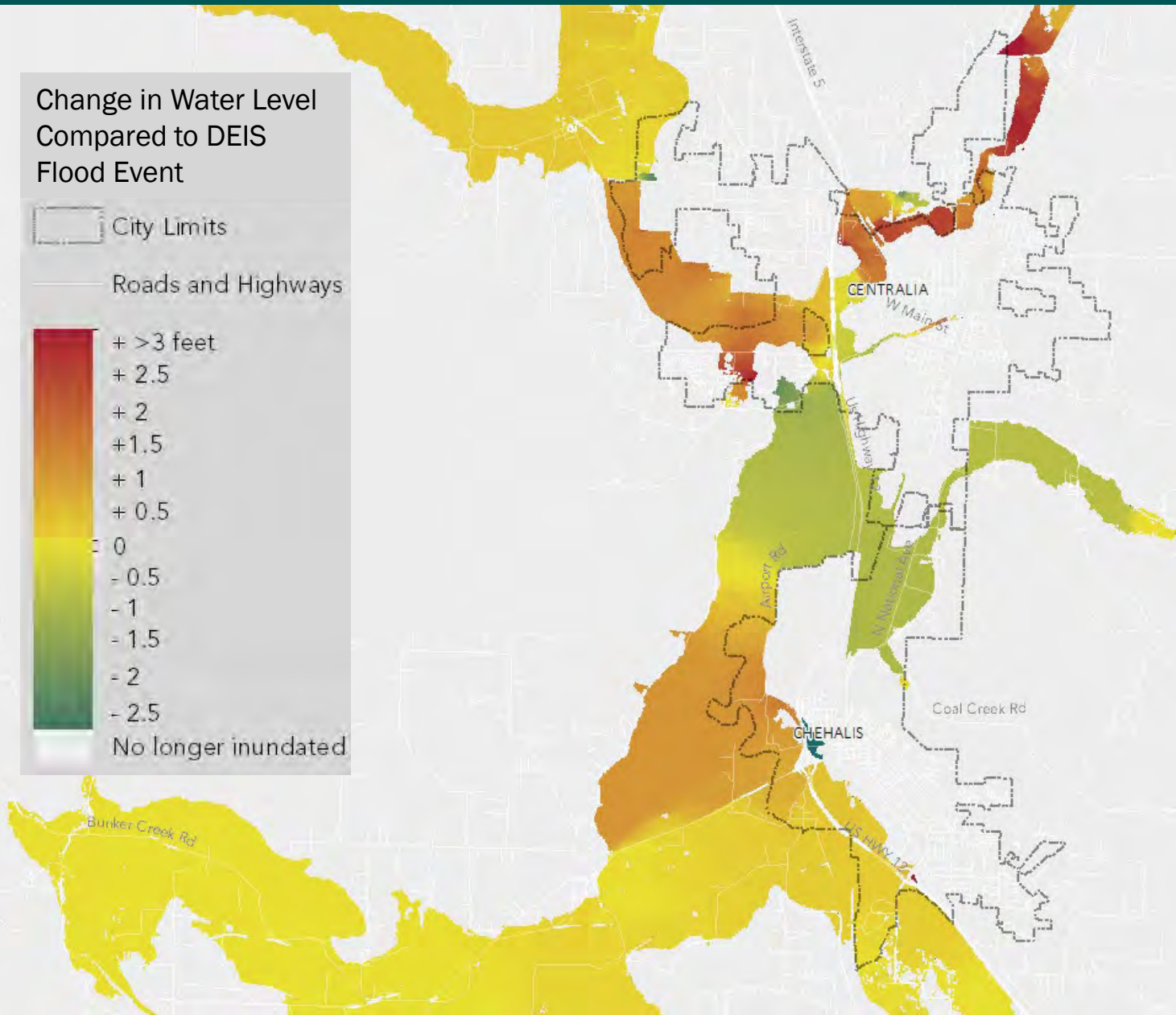
Daylight China Creek to reduce flooding and spur economic development

SKOOKUMCHUCK RIVER

Late Century 2080 Flood Extent

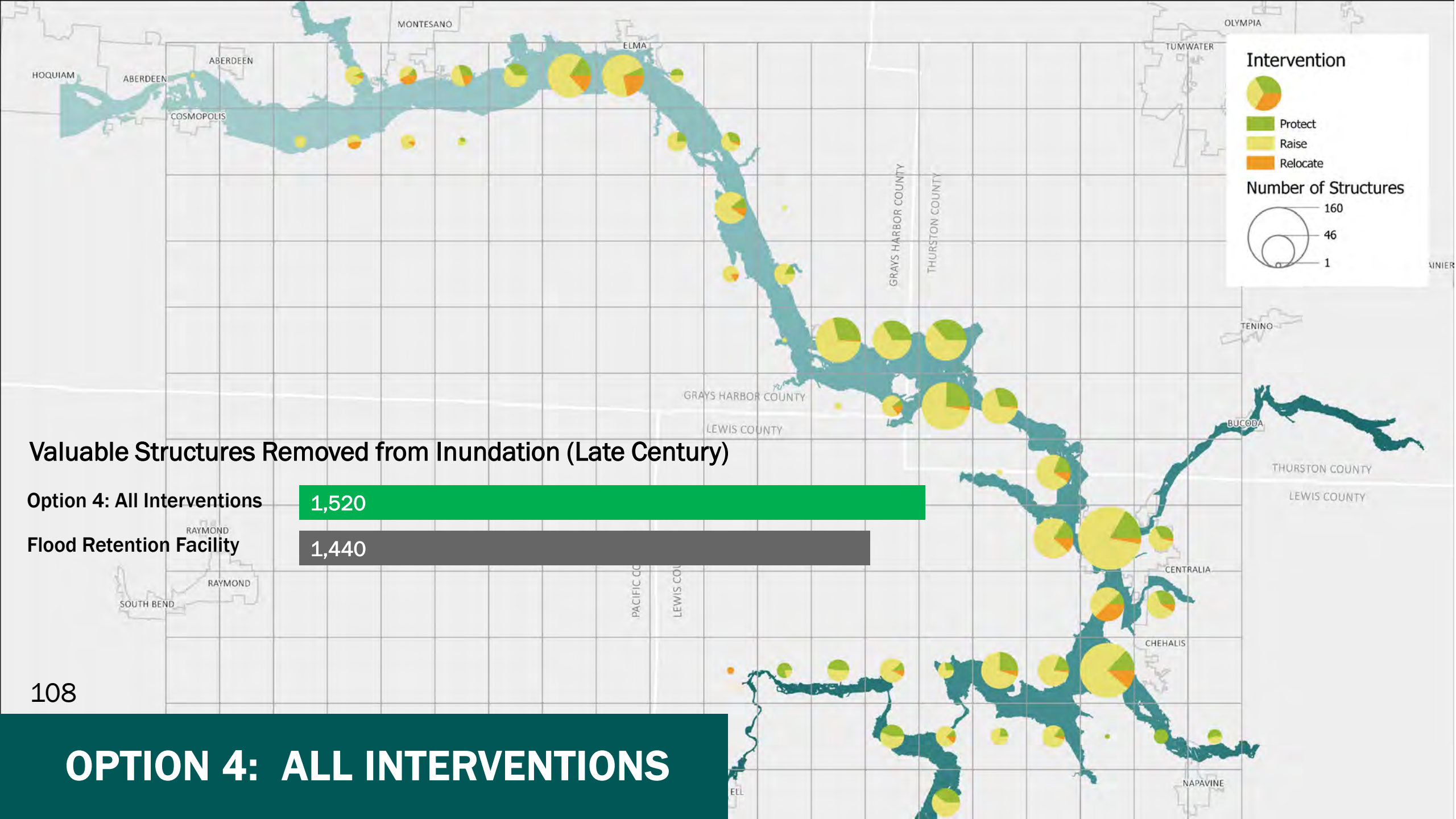


OPTION 4: DEPTH AND EXTENT OF INUNDATION



Option 4:

- Significantly reduces flooding extents with lower height levees (i.e., landward of levees)
- Increases water level (riverward of levees) on Skookumchuck and Newaukum (less significant) and Chehalis downstream of Mellen St.
- Lowers water surface elevation on Chehalis upstream of Mellen Street and for Salzer (riverward of levees)



Intervention

- Protect
- Raise
- Relocate

Number of Structures

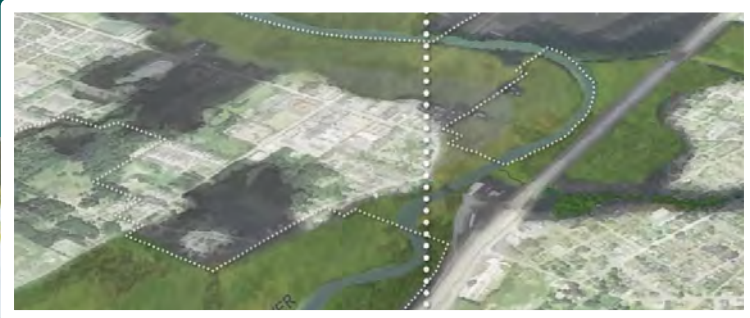
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Valuable Structures Removed from Inundation (Late Century)

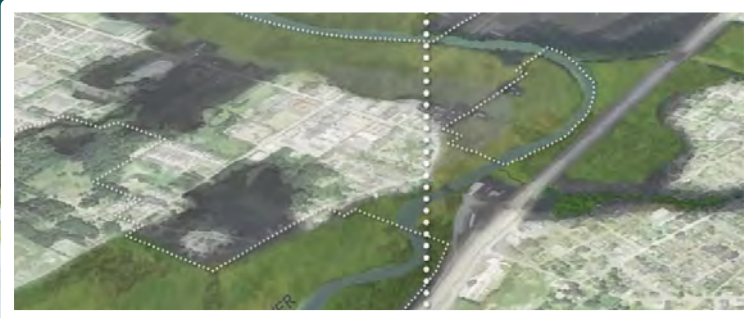


OPTION 4: ALL INTERVENTIONS

FLOODPLAIN RESTORATION/MITIGATION



RESTORATION: FLOODED CONDITION



OPTION 4: ALL INTERVENTIONS

Pros:

- Potentially reduces size of levees with conveyance and diversion
- Highest economic development benefits of the concepts, particularly for (construction etc.).
- Reduces impacts during catastrophic flood events
- Encourages adoption of flood-friendly land use and building codes

Cons:

- Documented cultural resources in the vicinity of the Mellen Street Bridge
- Highest assumed number of structures displaced by construction
- Does not provide more flood damage reduction than Levees and Floodwalls
- Potential visual and community connectivity impacts
- Complexity of permitting, land acquisition and additional access infrastructure cost



PRELIMINARY COST ESTIMATES



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	400M	500M	600M	700M	800M	900M	1B	1.1B	1.2B	1.3B	1.4B	1.5B	1.6B	1.7B	1.8B	1.9B	2.0B	2.1B	2.2B	2.3B	
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Valuable Structures Removed from Inundation (Late Century):

	200	400	600	800	1,000	1,200	1,400	1,600	1,800	2,000
Option 1: Safe Structures and Floodplain Management	0									
Option 2: Waterflow Diversion/ Improved Conveyance	280									
Option 3: New and Expanded Levees	1,510									
Option 4: All Interventions	1,520									
Flood Retention Facility	1,440									



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES



ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Avoided Flood Damages

Investments in safe structures as well as infrastructure and community investment help avoid costs generated by flood damage to both public and private structures. In 2022, flood damage costs recorded to date exceed \$12.4 million, including more than \$6.4 million in damages reported by individuals and businesses.

Avoided Local Transportation Disruptions

Avoided costs associated with delays and closures within the local transportation system include:

- ✓ Lost wages and business activity due to closures
- ✓ Costs of increased time and mileage associated with detour routes
- ✓ Costs to travelers associated with abandoned trips

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Infrastructure and Construction Benefits

Direct spending generates multiplier effects in the local economy:

- ✓ Floodplain restoration and levee construction including design, engineering, construction, etc.
- ✓ Maintenance and operations of the flood damage reduction system structures
- ✓ Safe Structures program including floodproofing and elevating structures, etc.
- ✓ Economic activity through business-to-business and supply chain transactions (indirect impact) as well as spending of worker wages (induced).

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Creation of New Agriculture, Recreation and Open Space, and Habitat

✓ Expanded Agricultural Opportunities

- ✓ Reclaimed land in fertile floodplain adjacent zones

✓ Expanded Recreation, Open Space and Habitat Opportunities

- ✓ Fishing, boating, and river recreation
- ✓ New and expanded urban open and green spaces in sending areas for Safe Structures program
- ✓ Levee-top recreation paths
- ✓ New and expanded habitat for local wildlife

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES

Opportunity to Update Land Use and Building Codes

- ✓ So as not to make the flooding problem worse
- ✓ Applying innovative land use planning, development standards, and building codes

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES

New Economic Development in “Receiving Areas”

- ✓ **Mix of Uses**
 - ✓ Planning for receiving areas that encourages a healthy mix of land uses can create additional opportunities for new and expanded community serving businesses and services
- ✓ **Increased Density While Preserving Rural Character**
 - ✓ Retail follows rooftops - if density is increased incrementally to accommodate relocation plus planned growth, the increased local buying power can support more retail activity or stronger sales for local businesses
- ✓ **Enhanced Quality of Life**
 - ✓ Successful mixed-use, walkable neighborhoods enhance perceptions of quality of life and can attract new talent, entrepreneurship, and business activity

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT BENEFITS AND OPPORTUNITIES







Highlands
OPEN



DISCUSSION GROUPS . . .

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- 1. Discuss the advantages and disadvantages of the Four Options**
- 2. Select your preferred option and provide a rationale for your selection**
- 3. Use the comment card provided to write out your individual thoughts**
- 4. Work with your group to prepare a summary of your group's discussion for presentation to the large group**



**BREAK . . . AND ADJOURN TO THE
DISCUSSION GROUPS . . .**



DISCUSSION GROUP REPORTS



RESILIENCY PROGRAM ELEMENTS

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Connect to Ment-A-Meter

For each option, log in your selection for each program element:

- 5** **Current Program Is Sufficient**
- 4** **Current Program Could Be Strengthened or Expanded**
- 3** **Worth Considering**
- 2** **Not Necessary**
- 1** **Don't know/No Opinion**

Updating the Early Warning System

Key Considerations:

- Top of the line, advanced, integrated, and well coordinated system.
- Includes evacuation routes and nearest community resilience hub locations.
- Accessible interface for citizens with cell phone alerts.
- Keep a phone tree for quick calls to friends and families if needed



Swift Water Rescue Teams

(trained personnel and rescue
equipment)



Expanding Farm Evacuation Plans



Providing Safe Transport and Refuge for Livestock



Updating Evacuation Plans and Route Guidance



Pre-Positioning of Supplies (e.g., medicines, sandbags etc.)



Pre-Positioning of Equipment



Expanding Utility Capacity to Handle Peak Events

Power, water, septic, communications uplinks.



Creating Places for Continuity of Business Operations

40% of small businesses fail post major disasters.

Provide work-stations, shareable desks, and meeting space to keep business moving



Providing Pre-Disaster Training Classes





POTENTIAL FUNDING SOURCES

FUNDING SOURCES OVERVIEW

The Bipartisan Infrastructure Bill includes five new programs and 13 updated programs with potential funding sources.

FUNDING SOURCES OVERVIEW

Flood Mitigation Assistance Grants

- ✓ The existing program has expanded to include projects that reduce or eliminate the risk of repetitive flood damage to buildings insured by the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP)
- ✓ This program targets local flood protection measures, retrofits, acquisitions, relocations, etc.

Building Resilient Infrastructure & Communities

FEMA will provide financial assistance for:

- ✓ Capability and Capacity-Building
- ✓ Mitigation Projects
- ✓ Management Costs

FUNDING SOURCES OVERVIEW

Watershed and Flood Prevention Grants (WFPO)

The WFPO program originally required flood prevention and protection as a function of all projects but has since been amended to include other water quality and water resources purposes.

FUNDING SOURCES OVERVIEW

National Coastal Resilience Fund

Under the Bipartisan Infrastructure Law, the National Coastal Resilience Fund will have significantly increased annual investments from NOAA.

The program is focused on projects to restore, increase, and strengthen natural infrastructure on landscapes to help absorb the impacts of storms and floods, risk reduction, and disaster recovery.

FUNDING SOURCES OVERVIEW

Additional sources:

- ✓ Clean Water State Revolving Fund
- ✓ Community Development Block Grants
- ✓ Rebuilding American Infrastructure Sustainably and Equitably (RAISE)
- ✓ Department of Interior Grants

FUNDING SOURCES OVERVIEW

Some level of local participation in project funding will most likely be required:

- ✓ Local sales tax measure ?
- ✓ Local bond measure ?
- ✓ Other . . . ?



PROJECT DELIVERY OPTIONS

PROJECT DELIVERY OPTIONS FOR MAINTAINING LOCAL CONTROL

- **Existing Joint Powers Agency (JPA)**

An existing JPA could assume responsibility for acquiring funding, project construction, operations and maintenance of the flood management system

- **Existing Public Agency (such as Lewis County)**

An existing public agency could perform all the roles described above

- **Single Purpose Construction Management Authority**

A single purpose organization could be established for the sole purpose of constructing and delivering the project; it would then dissolve and transfer project ownership to an existing public entity to operate and maintain the flood management system

EXAMPLE JOINT POWERS AUTHORITY (JPA)



The Three Rivers Levee Improvement Authority, a joint powers agency, was established in May 2004 by the County of Yuba and Reclamation District 784 to finance and construct levee improvements in south Yuba County.

The Authority's mission is to provide 200-year flood protection for south Yuba County.



NEXT STEPS . . .

UPCOMING EVENTS . . .

- ✓ **Refinement of the “No Dam” Alternative Based on Community Feedback**
- ✓ **Additional Technical Work and Refinements**
- ✓ **Broad Community Outreach**
- ✓ **Preparation of Project Summary Report**
- ✓ **Steering Group Recommendation to the OCB by the End of Q1 2023**



Chehalis Basin

LAND*

*** LOCAL ACTIONS NON-DAM ALTERNATIVE**

Community Priorities Workshop
January 19, 2023