

#### Webbers Falls Major Rehab Update **US Army Corps** of Engineers ®



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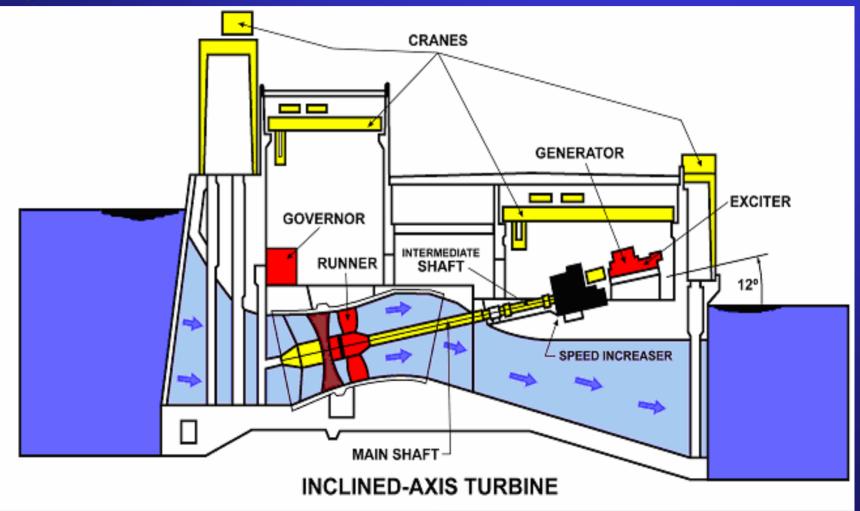
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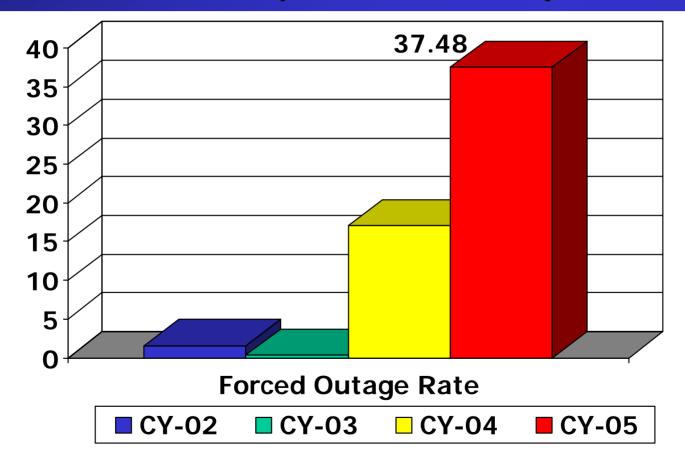


- Situation One unit not operational with a cracked  $\bullet$ shaft. One unit near failure with a deteriorated stub shaft bearing and one unit near failure with a deteriorated speed increaser bearing.
- No appropriated dollars to date. 0
- In FY05 the powerhouse availability was 60%. •



### Webbers Falls Major Rehab **Forced Outage US Army Corps** of Engineers ® Rates (OMBIL Data)





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### Background

- Webbers Falls powerhouse unscheduled major breakdowns:
  - 9/77-3/79 generator failure Unit 3
  - 4/80-2/83 cracked main shaft Unit 1
  - 6/80-9/83 cracked main shaft Unit 2
  - 1/81-12/84 cracked main shaft Unit 3
  - 5/96-12/99 speed increaser gear Unit 1
  - 7/04 Present cracked main shaft Unit 3



#### Webbers Falls Major Rehab **US Army Corps Turbine Failures** of Engineers ®





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Webbers Falls Major Rehab Rehabilitation Report



- Major Rehabilitation Evaluation Report approved for Plan "D" in July 2001.
- Plan "D" Replaces the turbine runners, rewinding the generators and performing other technological improvements.
- 2 MW per unit (8.5%) increase by up-rating.
- Plan "D" BCR 2.13 (2001 Rehab Report)



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Webbers Falls Major Rehab Project Status



- Webbers Falls Turbine Replacement included as a contract option under the Ozark contract.
- \$5 Million savings by combining Webbers Falls and Ozark turbine replacement under one contract.
- Webbers Falls Turbine options un-awarded expires May 08.
- Recomputing the RBRCR for the FY08 budget using updated energy, capacity and probability of failure values.



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Webbers Falls Major Rehab Project Status (Cont.)



- Completed Activities to Date:
  - Excitation System Replaced
  - CO2 System Replaced
  - Generator Air Coolers Replaced
- FYO6 Activities:
  - \$2.3M Rehab Bridge Cranes
  - \$830K Replace Cooling Water Piping
  - \$320K Replace Breakers
- Not funded in the FY07 President's Budget



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Webbers Falls Major Rehab Project Status (Cont.)



### **FY07 Requirements**

- \$1.8M Rehab Tailrace and Intake Cranes
- \$4.0M Generator Rewind
- \$2.0M AC Distribution System, Elec. Cabling, Controls
- FY08 requested funding to fully exercise the three turbine options.



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Project Status Rehab Total Cost Breakdown

- 2006 Current Cost Est. \$65.2M
- Turbine Rehab Cont. \$45.7M
- Generator Rewind Cont 4.0
- Low Speed Gears 5.0
- Intake/Draft Tube Cranes 2.3
- Misc. Electrical Mech. 2.5
- S&A/Contingency <u>5.7</u>
- Total -



\$65.2M



Webbers Falls Major Rehab **US Army Corps** Conclusion of Engineers ®



- One unit down and two marginally operating units at risk of imminent failure.
- Webbers Falls' Options Expire May 08.
- Funding Is not in the FY07 President's Budget.
- Rehab creates new hydropower benefits for the nation.
- Administration appears to be supportive of hydropower.