

Washington State Integrated Streambank Protection Guidelines



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Cost Cutting Suggestions

Due to the current status of the budget, all employees are encouraged to adopt the following cost cutting measures:

LODGING: All employees are encouraged to stay with relatives and friends while on business travel. If weather permits, public areas such as parks should be used as temporary lodging. Bus terminals, train stations, and office lobbies may provide shelter in periods of inclement weather.

MEALS: Expenditures for meals will be limited to an absolute minimum. It should be noted that certain grocery chains such as Costco and Sam's stores often provide free samples of promotional items. Entire meals can be obtained in this manner. Travelers should also be familiar with indigenous roots and berries available at their destinations. If restaurants must be utilized, travelers should use "all you can eat" salad bars. This is especially effective for employees traveling together, as one plate can be used to feed the entire group.

Cost Cutting Suggestions

TRANSPORTATION: Hitchhiking is the preferred mode of travel in lieu of commercial transport. Luminescent safety vests will be issued to all employees prior to their departure on business trips

MISCELLANEOUS: All employees are encouraged to devise innovative techniques to save money. One individual has already suggested that money could be raised during airport layover periods. In support of this idea, red caps will be issued to all employees prior to their departure so that they may earn tips by helping others with their luggage.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR COOPERATION

Integrated Streambank Protection Guidelines



Traditional Streambank
Protection



Integrated Streambank
Protection

What is INTEGRATED Streambank Protection?

- Recognize and address causes
- Actions based on reach and site health
 - Integrate mitigation with project
- Preserve natural stream processes

What is ISPG?

- Reach-based design and selection tool for bank protection projects
- Approach to bank protection, not a cookbook
 - Communication not regulation
 - Expands the definition of mitigation
- Bolsters planning, funding, design and permitting efforts

Audience

- Landowners
- Resource Managers
- Engineers
- Scientists
- Politicians



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Guiding Principles

1. Natural erosion processes and rates are essential for ecological health of the aquatic system.
2. Human-caused erosion that exceeds natural rates is usually detrimental to ecological functions.
3. Natural processes of erosion are expected to occur throughout the channel migration zone. Project considerations should include the channel migration zone and potential upstream and downstream effects.
4. Preservation of natural channel processes will sustain continued habitat formation and maintenance.

Site Assessment



Toe Erosion



Toe Erosion

- Reduced bank vegetation
- Smoothed channel
- Along a meander bend

Scour





Scour

(turbulence or jet)

- Constriction
- Obstruction
- Woody debris
- Mid-channel bar
- Drop/weir

Avulsion



Chute Cutoff



Avulsion and Chute cutoff

- Natural processes
- Floodplain activities
- Excessive coarse bedload

Mass Failure



Sub-surface Entrainment

- Seepage
- Rapid drawdown

Reach Assessment

- Physical conditions of channel
- Natural and human-induced processes
- Is the channel unstable?
- If so, why?

Equilibrium vs. Dis-equilibrium



Dis-Equilibrium

- ☀ Aggradation
 - Reduced Flow Regime
 - Increased Sediment Supply
 - Downstream Constriction
 - Alluvial Fan
- Degradation
 - Increased Peak Flows
 - Reduced Sediment Supply
 - Headcutting



Avulsion

- Aggradation
- Braided Channel



Equilibrium



Imports and exports of water, sediment, and energy are balanced.

Aggradin Channel



Degrading Channel



Meander Migration



Mitigation in ISPG

- We typically try to mitigate for
 - Direct habitat loss
 - Construction impacts
- We usually don't mitigate for
 - Channel response impacts; on site, off site
 - Lost opportunity impacts
 - Duration of the impact





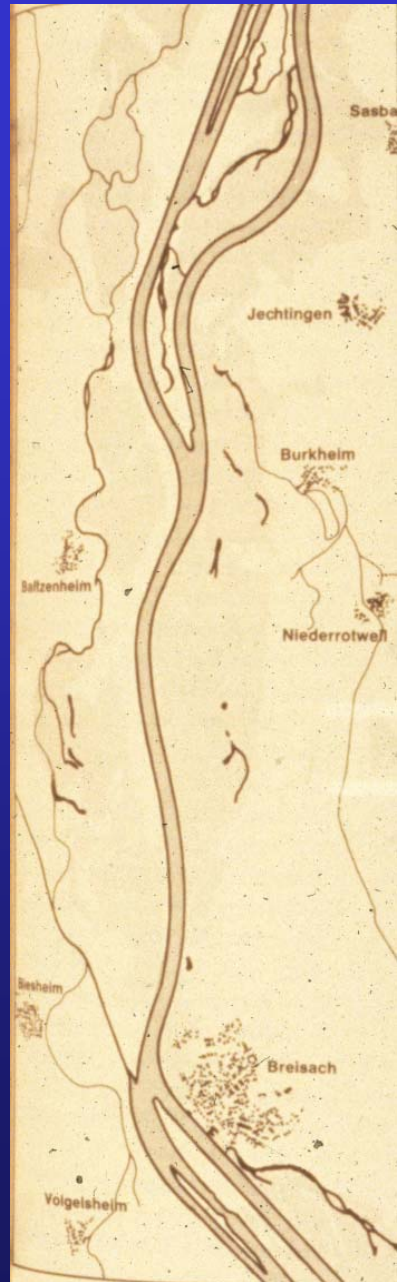
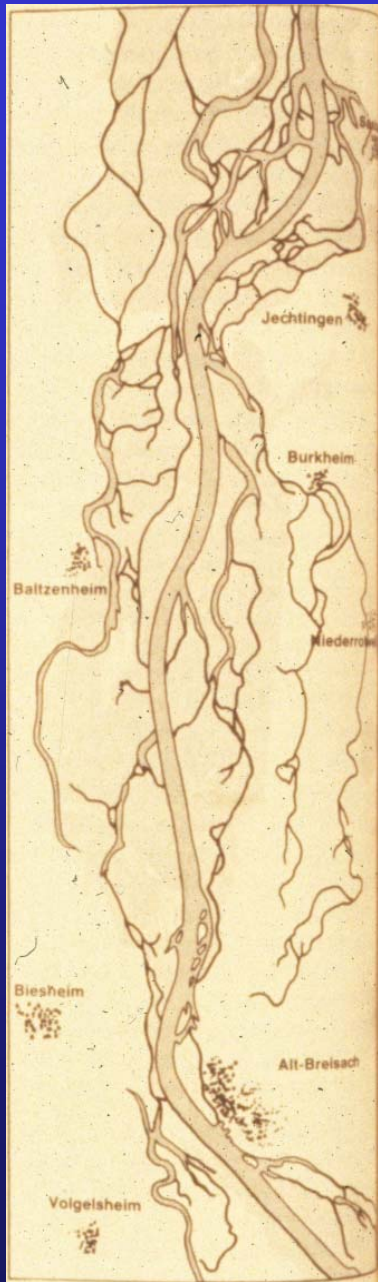
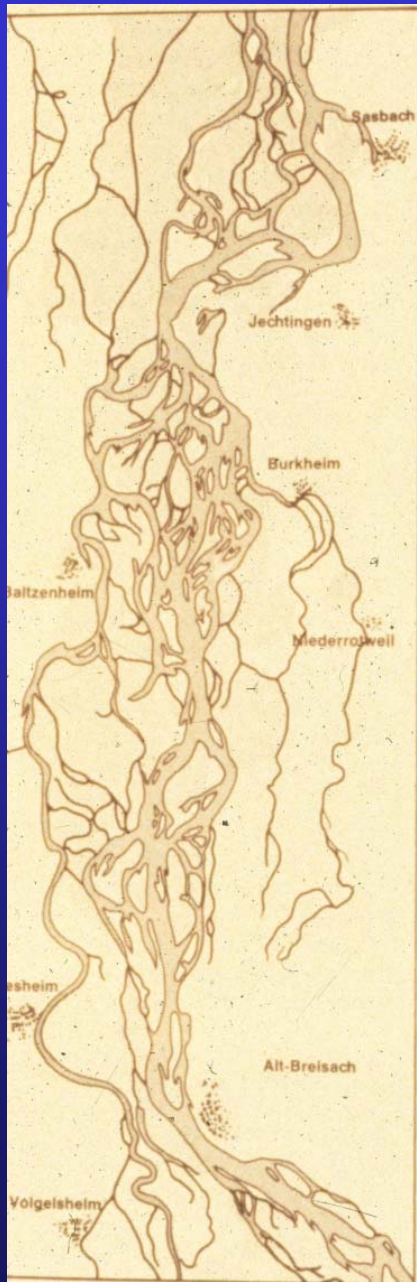
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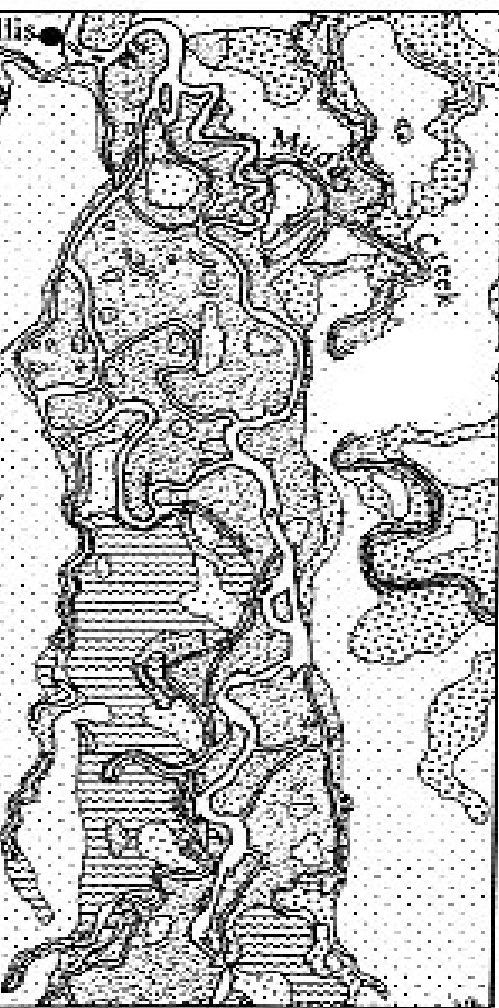
- Bank protection project constrains/prevents natural channel processes from occurring
- Specifically: side channels, debris sources, sediment sources, disturbance, channel and habitat diversity



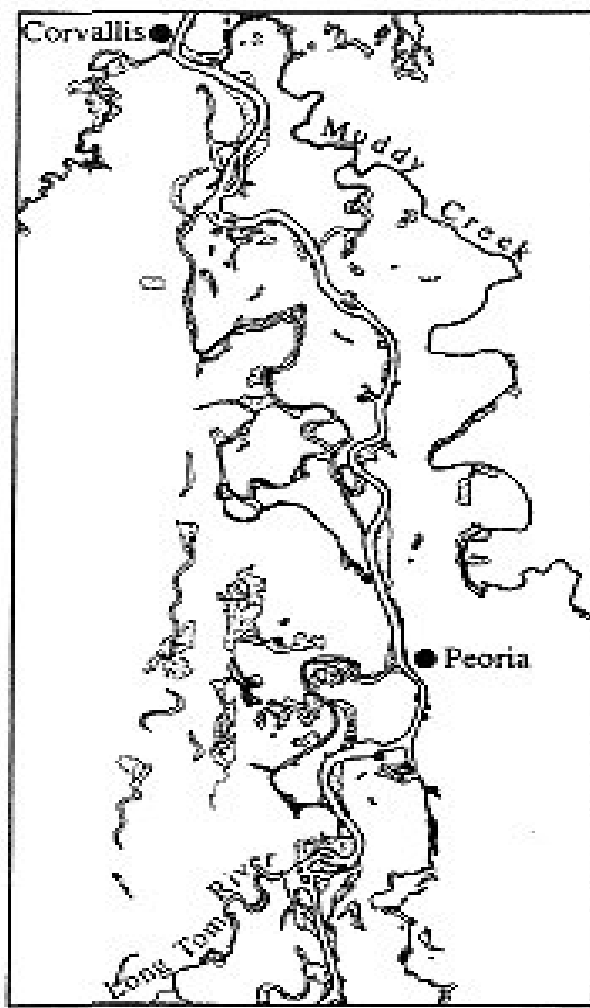








1852-54



1986

Willamette River Vegetation



"Land low river bottom subject to frequent inundation. Timbered with maple, alder, willow and Balm of Gilead (cottonwood). Dense under-growth of maple, hazel, briars & c." [no cottonwood along Muddy Creek].



"Prairie" or fern clearings within timber; a few oak present.



"Oak and yellow pine openings; subject to frequent inundation;" open understory.



"Oak openings" or "Scattering oak openings;" open understory.



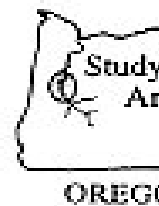
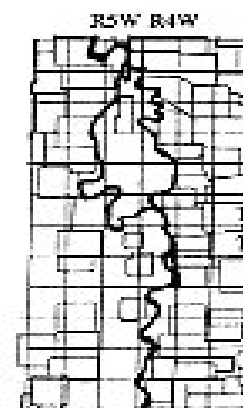
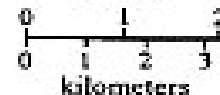
"Level prairie," "High prairie" or "Prairie."



Predominantly farmland and residences (1986).



miles



OREGON

Donation land and township and range survey lines (1850s)

Figure 6. River bottomland forests upriver of Corvallis, 1852-54 and 1986 (Benner and Sedell, 1997).

Technique Categories

- Flow Redirection
- Structural
- Biotechnical
- Buffer Management
- Internal Bank Drainage
- Avulsion Prevention
- Channel Modifications
- No Action

Flow Redirection Techniques

- Drop Structures
- Porous Weir
- Engineered Log Jams



- Groins
- Buried Groins
- Barbs

Biotechnical Techniques

- Woody Plantings
- Herbaceous Cover
- Soil Reinforcement
- Coir Logs
- Bank Reshaping



Structural Techniques

- Anchor Points
- Roughness Trees
- Riprap
- Log Toe



- Rock Toe
- Log Cribwall
- Artificial Materials & Systems

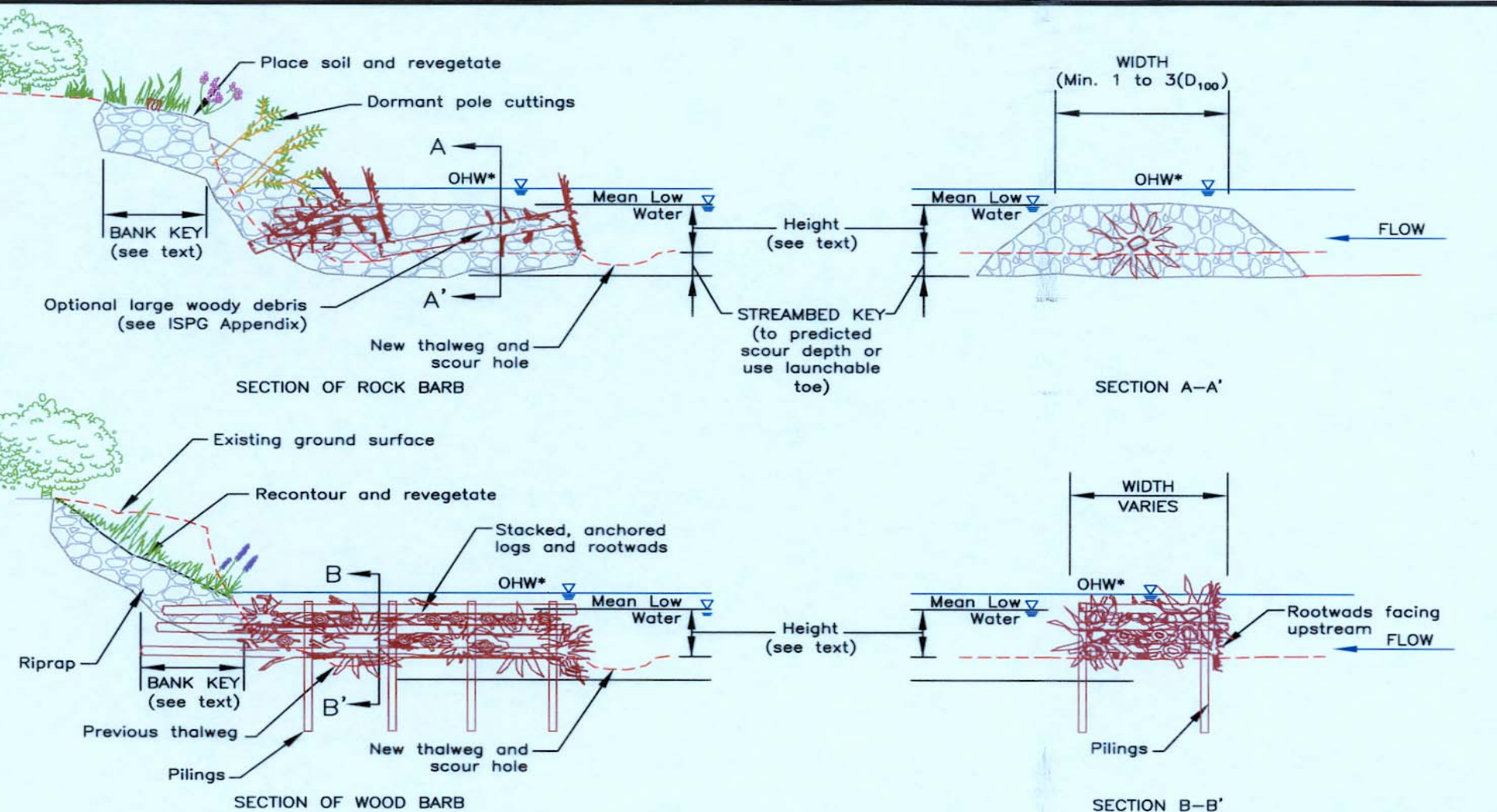
Avulsion Techniques

- Floodplain Roughness
- Headcut Prevention (Grade Control)
- Floodplain Flow Spreader
- (Coarse Bedload Management)



Information for Each Technique

- Description
- Application
- Effects
- Design
- Risk
- Biological Considerations
- Construction Considerations
- Operation & Maintenance
- Monitoring
- Cost
- Examples
 - Conceptual drawings, photos



CROSS-SECTION VIEWS

* See ISPG Appendix for definition of Ordinary High Water (OHW)

NOT TO SCALE

FIGURE 6-3, BARBS CONCEPTUAL DESIGN

Design Considerations

- Bank Resistance to Shear
- Potential Scour Depth
- Channel Geometry and Roughness
- Gradual Bank Deformability
- Soils and Subsurface Materials
- Composite Treatments
- Construction Limitations
- Aquatic and Fisheries Habitat
- Channel/Floodplain Connectivity
- Plant Ecology and Riparian Habitat

Screening Techniques Based on Site Conditions

TECHNIQUES	Nb Action	Flow Redirection				Structural					Biotech				Avulsion and Chute Cutoff			
		Grains	Barbs	EDJams	Drops	Anchor Pts	Trees	Riprap	Log Toe	Rock Toe	Plants	Soil Reinforce	Cair Logs	Bark Reshape	Roughness	Grade Ctrl	Flow Spreader	Flow Channels
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Scour																		
<i>Local Scour</i>																		
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<i>Jet Scour</i>																		
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Surface Entrainment																		
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Rapid Drawdown	S	I	I	I	I	I	I	G2	F	F	P-F	F-G	P	G	I	I	I	
Soil Failure																		
Saturated Soils	S	I	I	I	I	I	I	G2	P	P	P-F	F-G	I	F-G	I	I	I	
Increased Surcharge	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	G	P-F	P-F	I	F-G	I	F-G	I	I	I	
Loss of Root Structure	S	I	I	I	I	I	I	G	P-F	P-F	G	F-G	P	F-G	I	I	I	
Removal Of Underlying Support	S	I	I	I	I	I	I	G	G	G	P	F-G	I	F-G	I	I	I	
Avulsion and Chute Cutoff Potential																		
Natural Conditions	G	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	I	G	G	G	
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Screening Techniques Based on Reach Conditions

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Reach in Dis-Equilibrium																			
<i>Large Storm Event</i>	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	S	G	G	G	G	S	S	S		
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<i>Downstream Constriction</i>	I	S	I	I	I	I	F-G	F-G	P-F	P-F	G	G	G	G	G	S	G	F	
<i>Reduced Slope/DS Constriction</i>	S	S	I	I	I	I	F-G	F-G	P-F	P-F	G	G	G	G	G	G	G		
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<i>Large Storm Event</i>	S	F2	I	F2	I	I	I	I	I	I	F-G	I	I	I	G	G	G		

Screening Techniques Based on Habitat

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Example of ISPG Application

Wind River
6-18-93



Wind River
7/19/99



Wind River ISPG Example

Site Assessment:

Mechanism of Failure:

General Bank Erosion Along a Bend

Reduced Bank Strength Due to Removal of Riparian
Vegetation

Screening Techniques Based on Site Conditions

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Wind River Technique Selection by Site Assessment

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 - Buffer Mgmt
 - Rock Groins & Barbs
 - Woody Groins
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Reach Assessment:

Reach Cause of Failure:

Meander Migration within Channel Migration Zone

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owning	S	M	A	M	A	L	A	A	H	L	M	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
Complexity & Diversity			n/a					n/a		n/a		n/a	n/a	n/a				
Opportunity	A	M	L	M	A	A	L	A	H	L	M	A	A	A	A	A	A	A
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- Techniques Selected by Habitat Screening

- Buffer Mgmt
- Woody Groins
- Revegetation
- Bank Reshaping

Wind River
July 1999



Vind River
April 2000



ISPG - A Final Caveat

- We believe that ISPG is a good approach to streambank protection. Unfortunately, an ISPG project is not necessarily a good project. A good project will always require a thoughtful, site-specific approach.



ISPG Products

- ISPG currently available on the web
<http://www.wa.gov/wdfw/hab/ahg/index.htm>
- Hard copy and cd available from Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife-Habitat Program
- Training (Rootwad & Willow Seminar)-Cosponsored by WDFW, WSDOT, DOE
 - Beginning Summer 2003