POWER FACILITY UTILIZING MINE DRAINAGE.

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Antrim Project Overview

- Babb Creek Watershed Association (BCWA) was awarded a Energy Harvest Grant
- Goal: Reduce Annual O&M and Generate Revenue
- Selected BioMost, Inc. for design and construction
- Design
 - utilize as much of the flow as possible
 - eliminate electric bill
 - grid-tied
 - generate & sell excess power
 - two 20kW turbines



Hydroelectric Basics

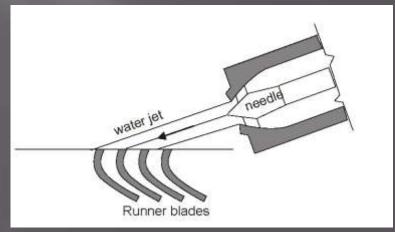
Terminology

- Forebay a pond or basin of sufficient size to stabilize and control the flow of water to the penstock
- Penstock a pipe that conveys water, under pressure, from the forebay to the turbine
- Tailrace a channel to convey the water away from the turbine to the discharge point

Hydroelectric Basics

Turbine

- Reaction low head, high flow
 - Kaplan
 - Francis
- Impulse high head, low flow
 - Pelton
 - Turgo
 - Cross-flow



basic diagram of a Turgo turbine

Permitting

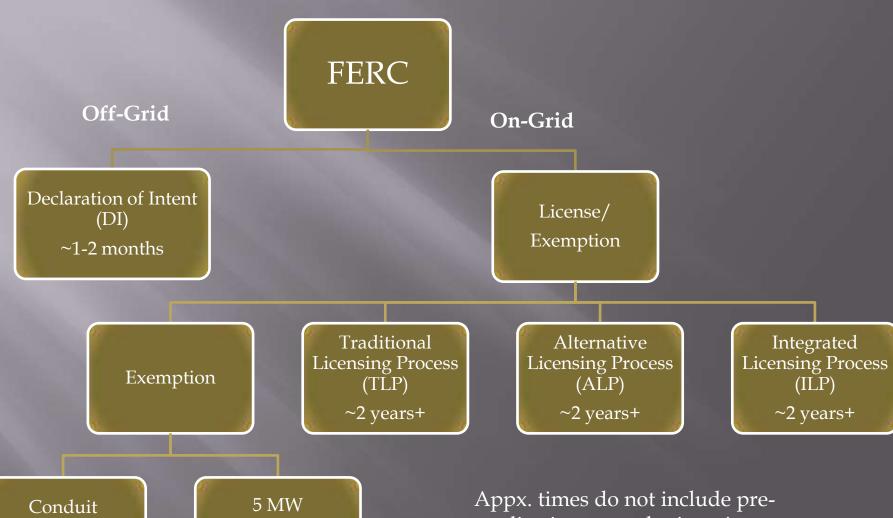
- Less than 1 acre disturbed area
- Local Building Permit (shed)
- State GP4 (discharge point)
- Federal Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC)

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- To license or not license?
 - a.) navigable waters
 - b.) occupy U.S. lands
 - c.) U.S. government dam
 - d.)"the project affects the interests of interstate or foreign commerce"

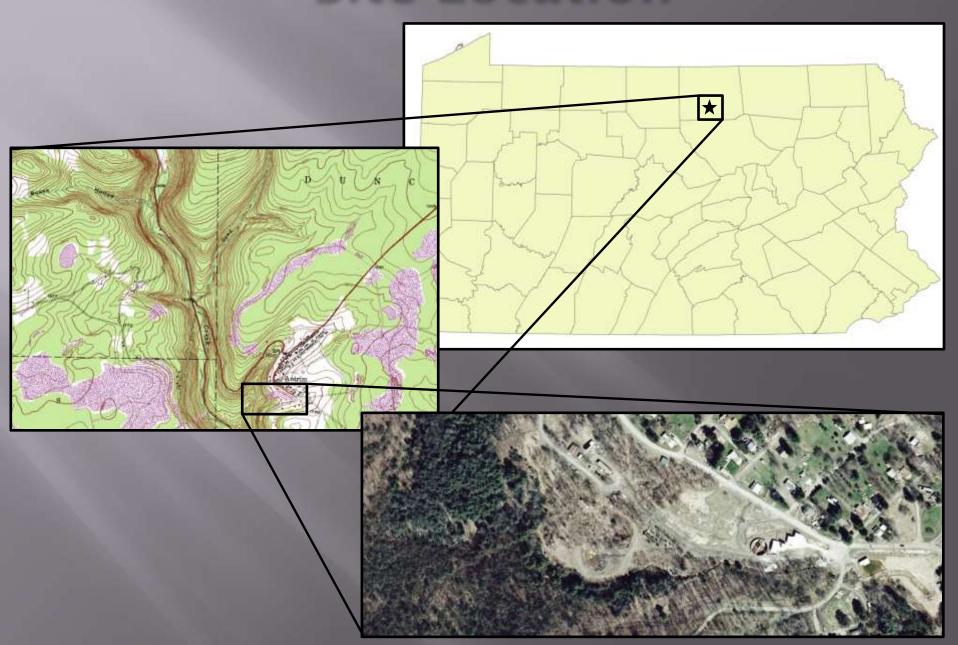


License vs. Declaration of Intent



Conduit Exemption <1 year 5 MW Exemption ~1 year+ Appx. times do not include preapplication consultation, time to conduct studies, etc.

Site Location

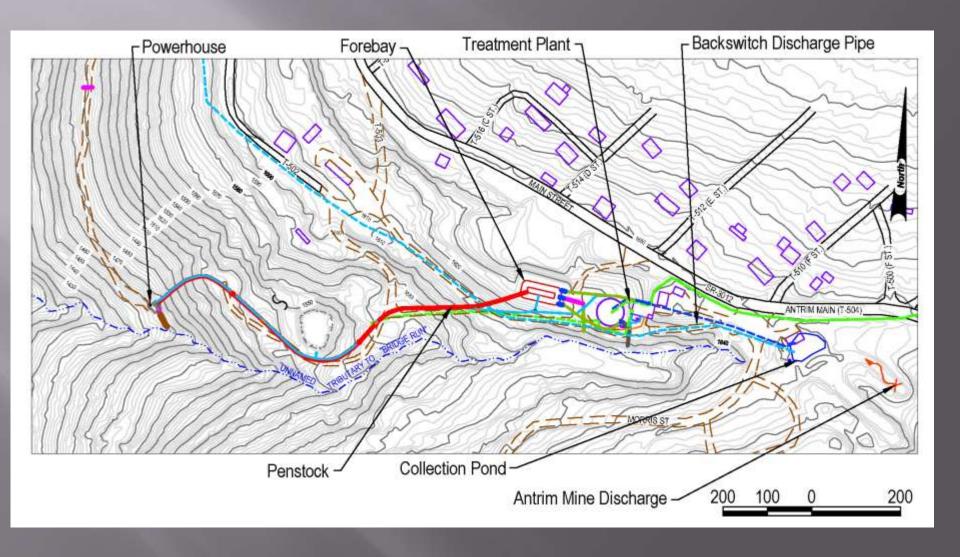


Construction

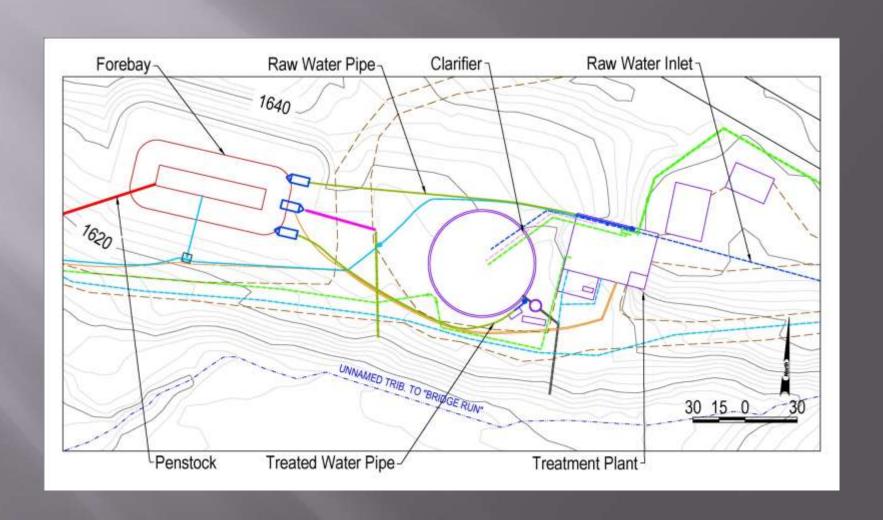
- Plant and Forebay
- Penstock
- Powerhouse



Site Overview



Plant and Forebay



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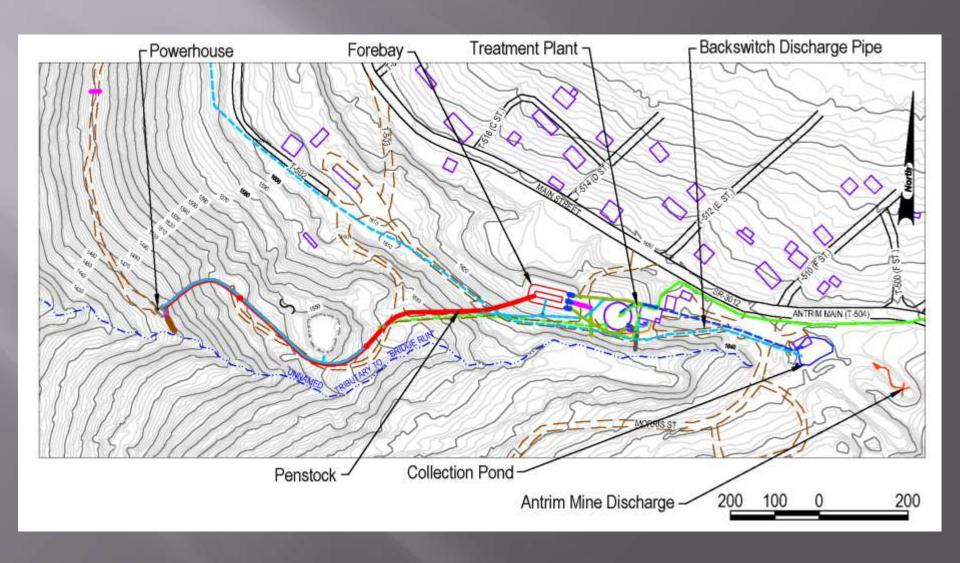








Site Overview: Penstock



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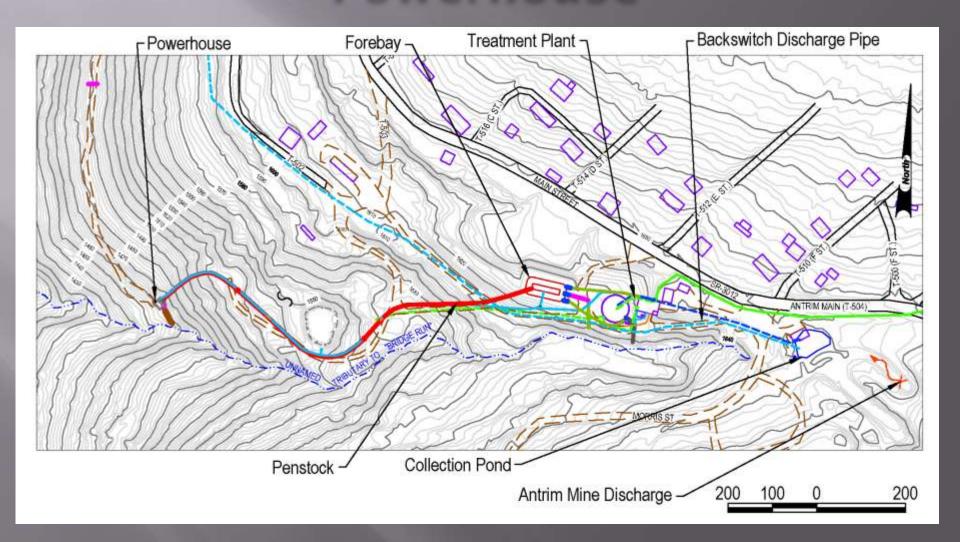


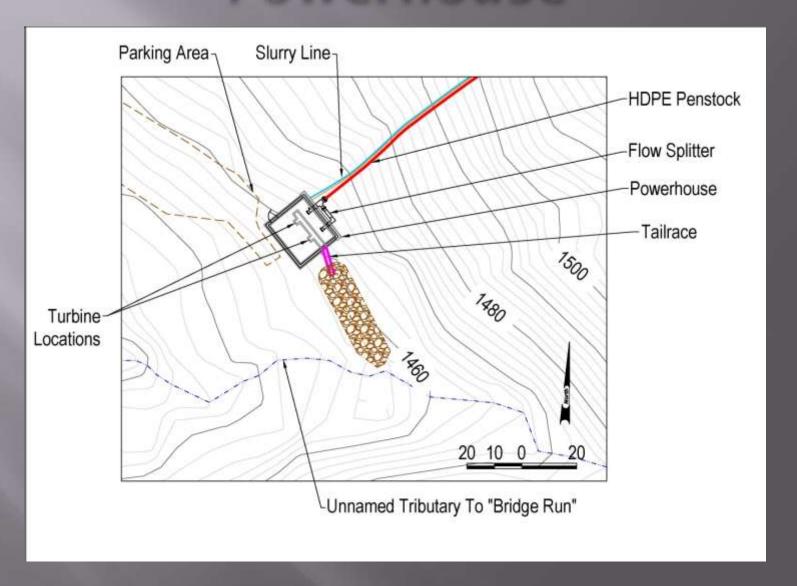






Site Overview: Powerhouse













































GENERATING POWER!!!!













Antrim Power Overview

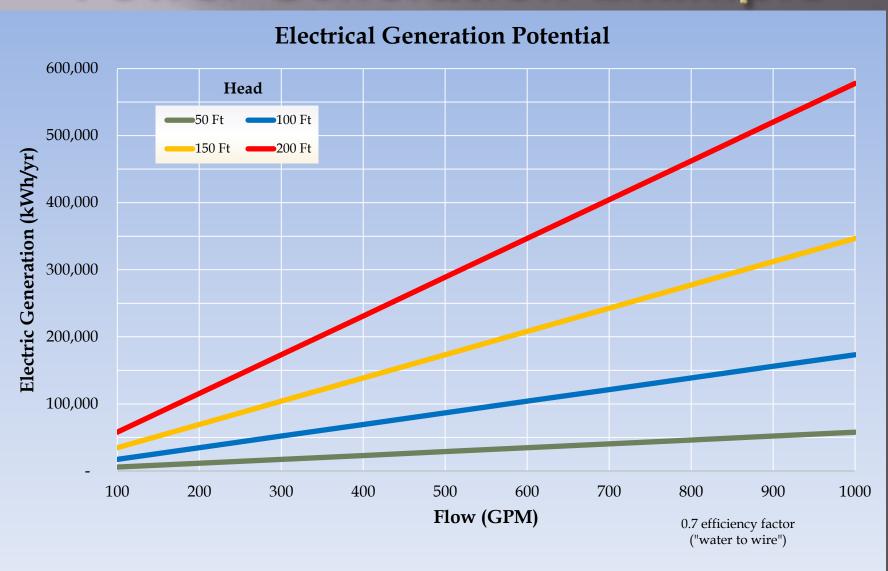
- 160′ Vertical Head
- <500 2,000+ gpm
- <11 40 kW

On-Grid Configuration

- 1,500 gpm average
- 280,000 kWh/Year
 - ~\$13,000/Year Savings
 - ~\$8,000/Year Revenue
 - Estimated 10-year payback



Power Generation Example



Concluding Remarks

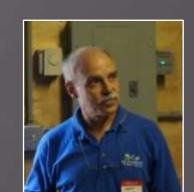
- Construction is complete
- Generating power!!
 - 9.25 hp (6.9 kW)
 - 60,400 kWh/yr
 - 19 lps (297 gpm)
 - 0.77 "water to wire"
- Off-grid configuration
- FERC application to become on-grid in-process
- Switch to on-grid in 1 hour



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Questions?











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