CT Hydro Run of River Hydro Developments

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Connecticut Hydro Fleet

- 380,000 MWH/year
- 28 Hydro Units in 10 developments
- Rocky River Control Center
 - Housatonic Hydro
 - Eastern Hydro
- Combustion Turbine Management
 - Waterbury LMS100
 - Tunnel FT-4

Housatonic Hydro System



Falls Village Hydro Development





- Water St., Falls Village, CT
- 10.5 MW of capacity/1800 cfs
- 3 generating units
- 40,000 MWH/yr
- $\frac{1}{2}$ mile power canal
- Natural flow regime
- Great Falls overlook
- Two trail systems
- Canoe/kayak and picnic area

Bulls Bridge Hydro Development



- Rte 7, New Milford & Kent, CT
- 8.2 MW of capacity/1200 cfs
- 6 generating units
- 45,000 MWH/yr
- 2+ mile long earthen canal, remote & manual operation of headgates
- Natural flow regime
- Island/canal/tailrace recreation areas

Rocky River Hydro Development



- Rte 7, New Milford, CT
- First pumped-storage station in this country
- Candlewood Lake state's largest
- 32,000 MW of capacity/2120 cfs
- 1 generator 25 MW/1620 cfs
- 2 pump turbines 6 MW/500 cfs
- 14,000 MWH/yr
- ^{$1/_2$} mile long Earthen canal

Shepaug Hydro Development



- River Rd., Southbury, CT
- Largest hydro unit in NE
- 43 MW of capacity
- 1 generating unit/6200 cfs
- 130,000 MWH/yr
- Habitat for wildlife, including bald eagles
- 9,500 people visit annually for recreation
- Forms Lake Lillinonah –
 Weekly storage facility

Stevenson Hydro Development





- Rte 34, Monroe, CT
- 28.9 MW of capacity
- 4 generating units, but 3 run together/6000 cfs
- 100,000 MWH/yr
- Stevenson Dam creates Lake
 Zoar, Reacts to Shepaug runs
- Derby Dam downstream

Agencies Relicensing Goals: FV/BB

- Run of River Outcome
 - IFIM results vs. Trout Mgmt. Area Needs
 - Limited Storage
 - Existing Accommodations
- Higher Bypass Flow (FV 317cfs; BB 492cfs)
 IDF Results vs. Bypassed Reach Opportunities
 - Appalachian Trail Visual Benefits
 - Aesthetic Flow over Falls and in Gorge

CT Hydro Relicensing Goals – FV/BB

- \$\$: Low Bypass Flow Conditions
- Use Studies & Economic Model to Drive Talks
- Ensure Conditioning is Manageable
- Minimize Compliance Failure Risk

Falls Village Development - Results

Operations Before

Store and Release

Operations After

- Instantaneous ROR: Compliance Elevation Based
- Minimum Flow 120 cfs
 No Minimum Flow

 By Pass Flow ~ 20 cfs (drain gate leakage) Bypass flow 80 cfs

Bulls Bridge Development - Results

Operations Before

Store and Release

Operations After

- Instantaneous ROR: Compliance Elevation Based
- Minimum Flow 150 cfs
 No Minimum Flow

By Pass Flow ~ 81 cfs
By Pass flow 200 cfs

Compliance Plan

- Remote Level Sensing alarms/shutdown
- Off-site Historian/Logging
- Maintenance of Pond Level
 - □ Falls Village > Elevation 631.70 ft
 - Bulls Bridge > Elevation 355.75 ft
- Transients allowed
- Outage Notification
 - Planned: 20 days Notice
 - □ Unplanned: < 1 hr, still compliant
- 3 Year Assessment of Compliance Plan

Falls Village Run of River



