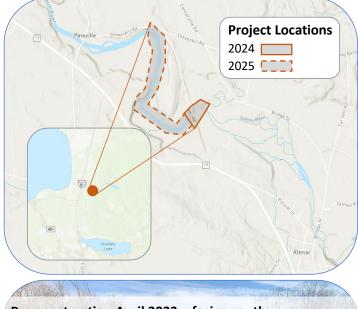
SALMON RIVER TRESTLE POOL RESTORATION FACTSHEET

Habitat restoration to benefit Atlantic Salmon and other aquatic wildlife







Post-construction Sept 2023 – facing north



Why was the Trestle structure removed?

The abandoned railroad pier, trestle, and southern rock abutment backed up water during high stream flows degrading habitat.

Removal of the southern abutment allows water from the river to flow into the floodplain during high water events, which improves both in-stream and stream-side habitat, helps to reduce erosion, and restores the river to more natural conditions.

The central pier and the southern abutment were removed in 2023. Flow from a nearby side channel was also redirected to the main channel to maintain deeper and colder river habitat, important in the summer months for Atlantic Salmon and other migratory fish.

Upcoming work

To avoid potential impacts to young-of-year salmonids and reduce potential overlap with peak angling season, the following work will take place between June 15 and August 31 in 2024 and 2025.

Summer 2024:

 Grading on the south bank, installation of a rock grade control structure (J-hook), a toe-wood structure above the Trestle Pool, and reseeding/replanting areas disturbed by construction activities.

Summer 2025:

 Install in-stream structures, including toe-wood and J-hook vanes, to reduce stream bank erosion and improve Atlantic salmon rearing and spawning habitat.

To learn more about this project and other restoration activities in the Salmon River, visit: www.glfc.org/rhp-salmon-river.php

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