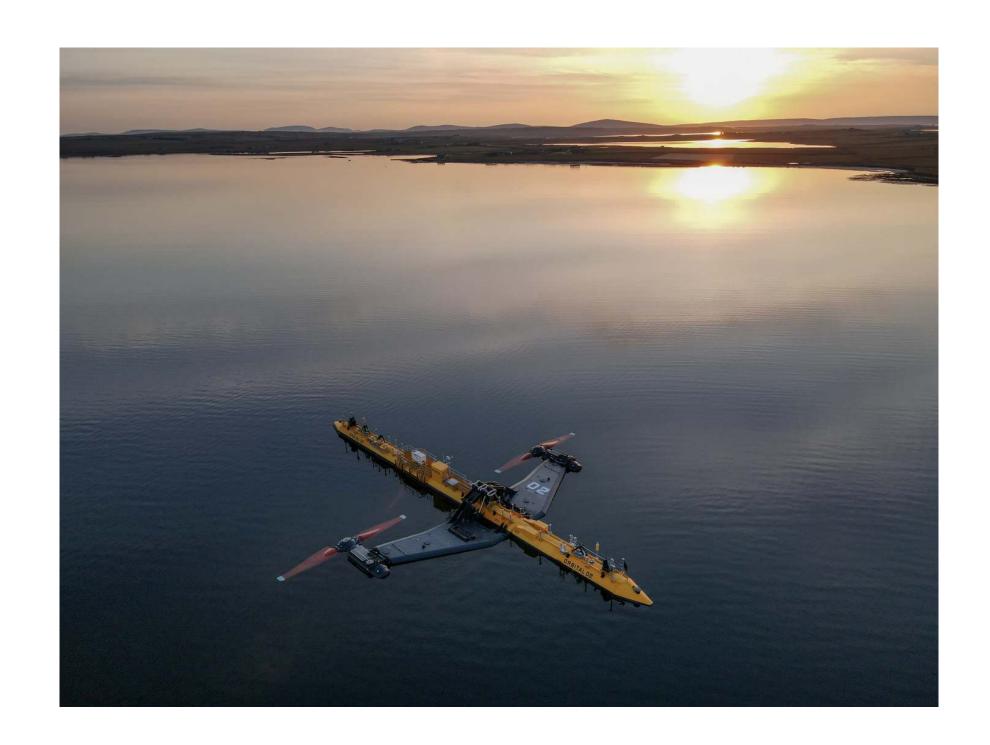
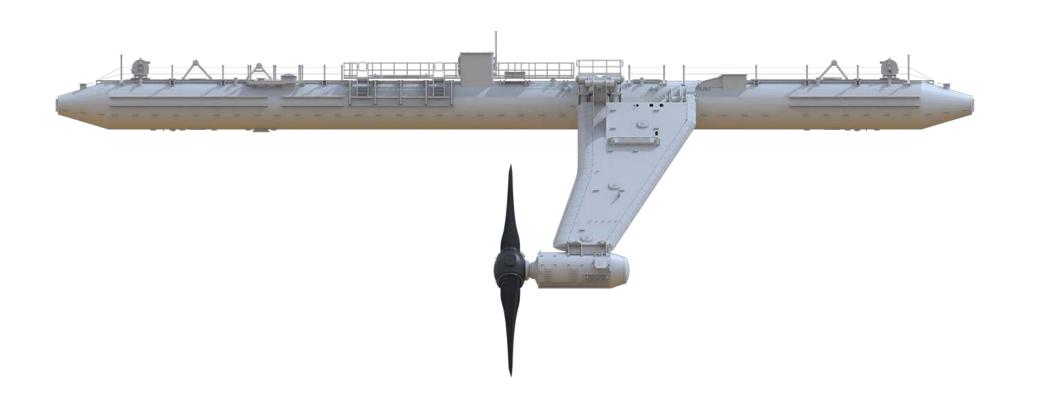


### Pilot Tidal Energy Project



# Pilot Tidal Power Project

Our approach focuses on stewardship and supporting the San Juan community with a renewable energy focus.

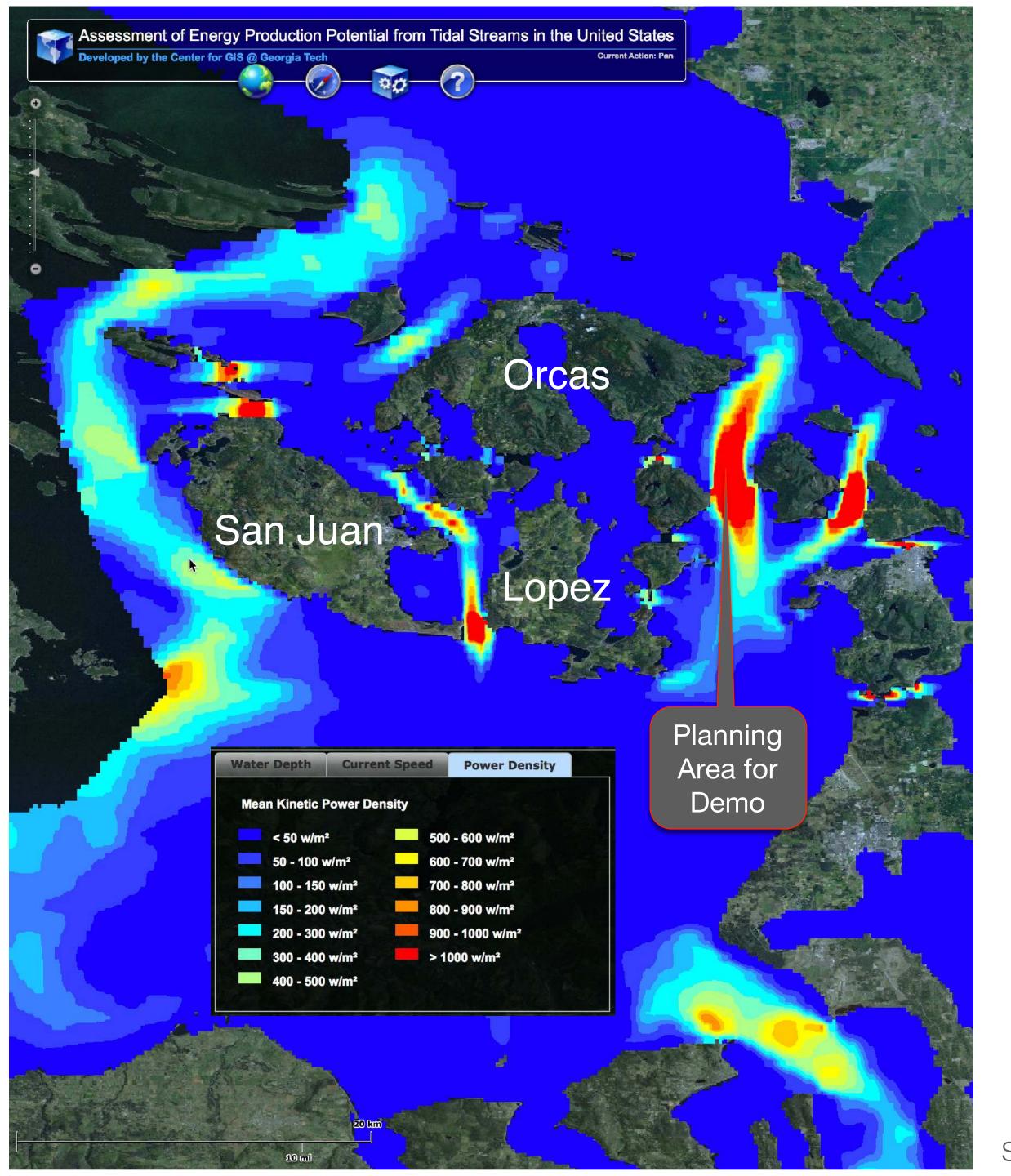


#### Floating Stream Tidal Generation

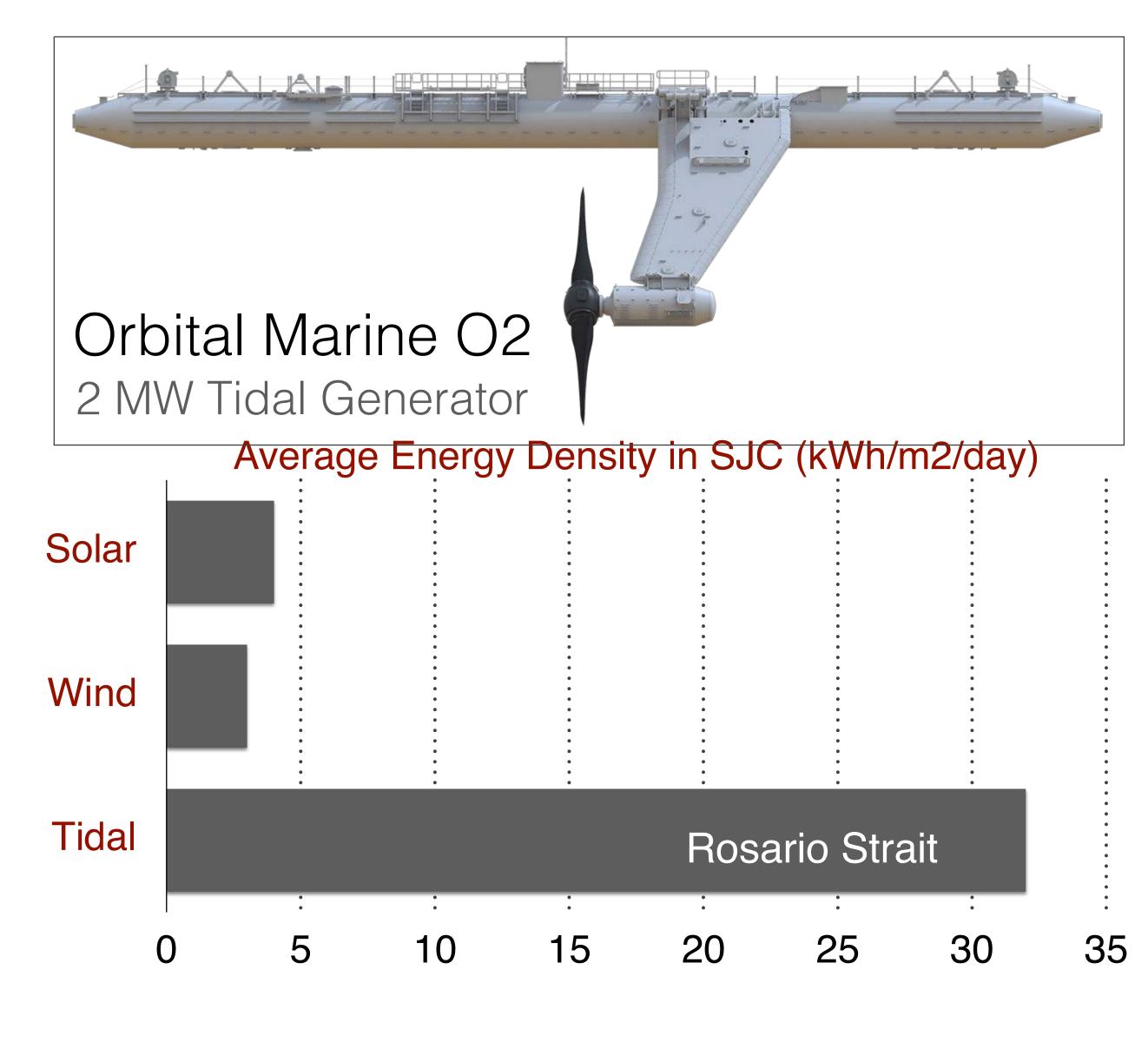
- ~2 MW Peak Output
- ~5 GWh of annual generation

#### **Project Partners**

- Washington Dept. of Commerce Clean Energy Funds for Preliminary Design
- Orbital Marine Power Technology Provider
- Pacific Northwest National Laboratory



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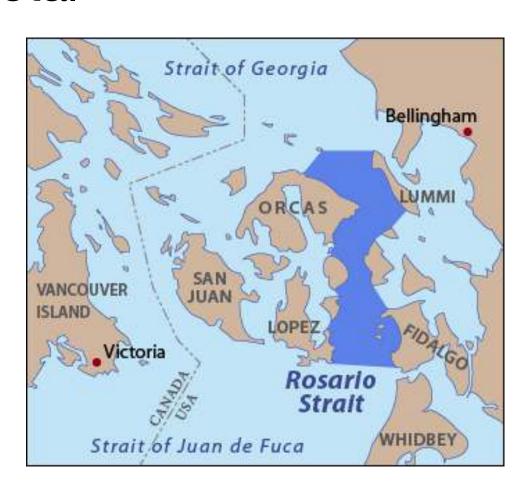


Source: NREL

# Pilot Tidal Power Project: Site Assessment



- Pre-existing infrastructure
  - Empty conduits available at north and south of Blakely Island
- Lower local abundance of sensitive species Examples:
  - SRKW (orca)
  - Humpback whale
  - Rockfish species
  - Salmonids
- Pilot project deploying one turbine
  - Location offers potential to deploy 2-4 turbine devices total



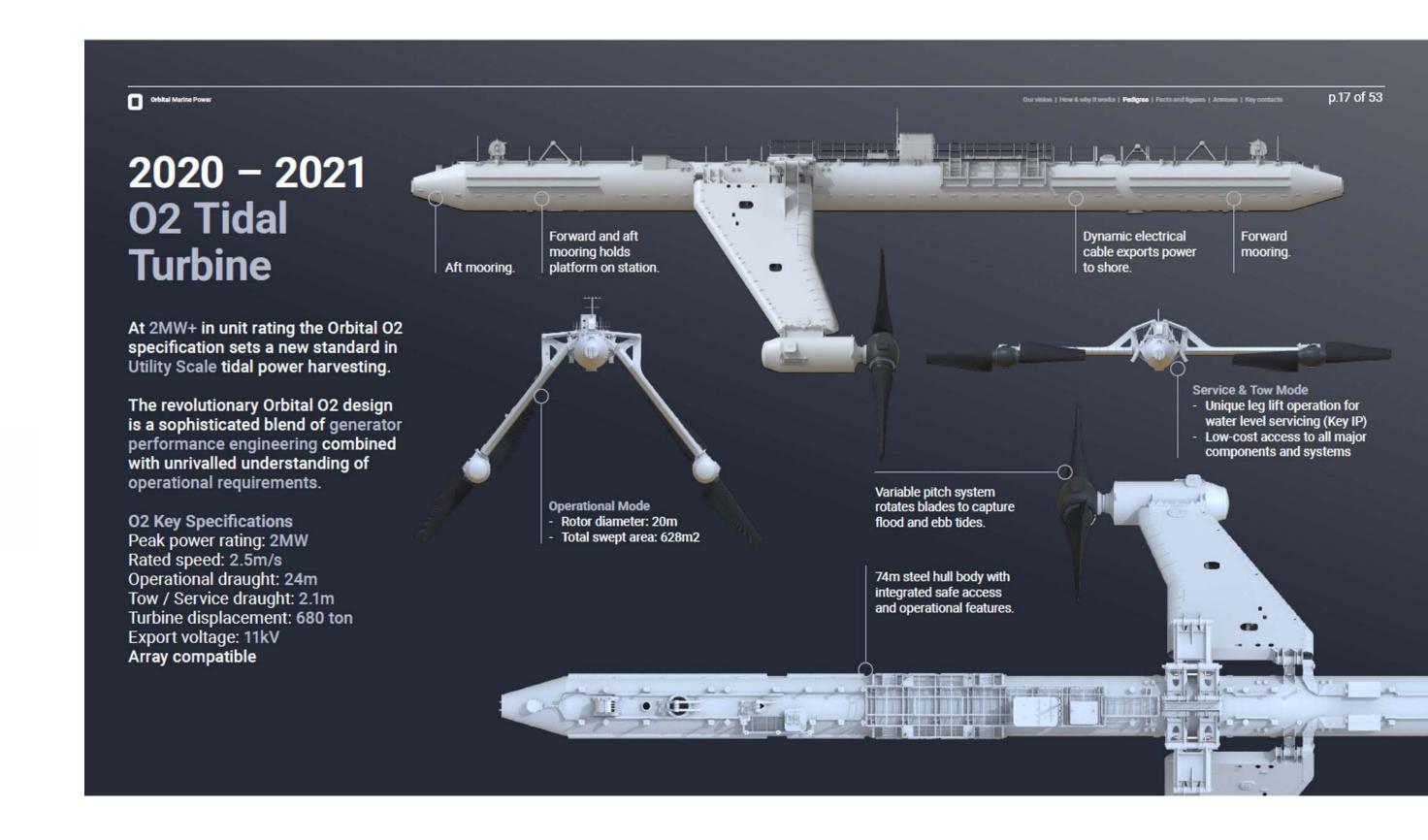
# Pilot Tidal Power Project: Schematics

Currently, turbine in operation in Orkney Islands, Scotland

18+ months in-water

#### Dimensions (current design)

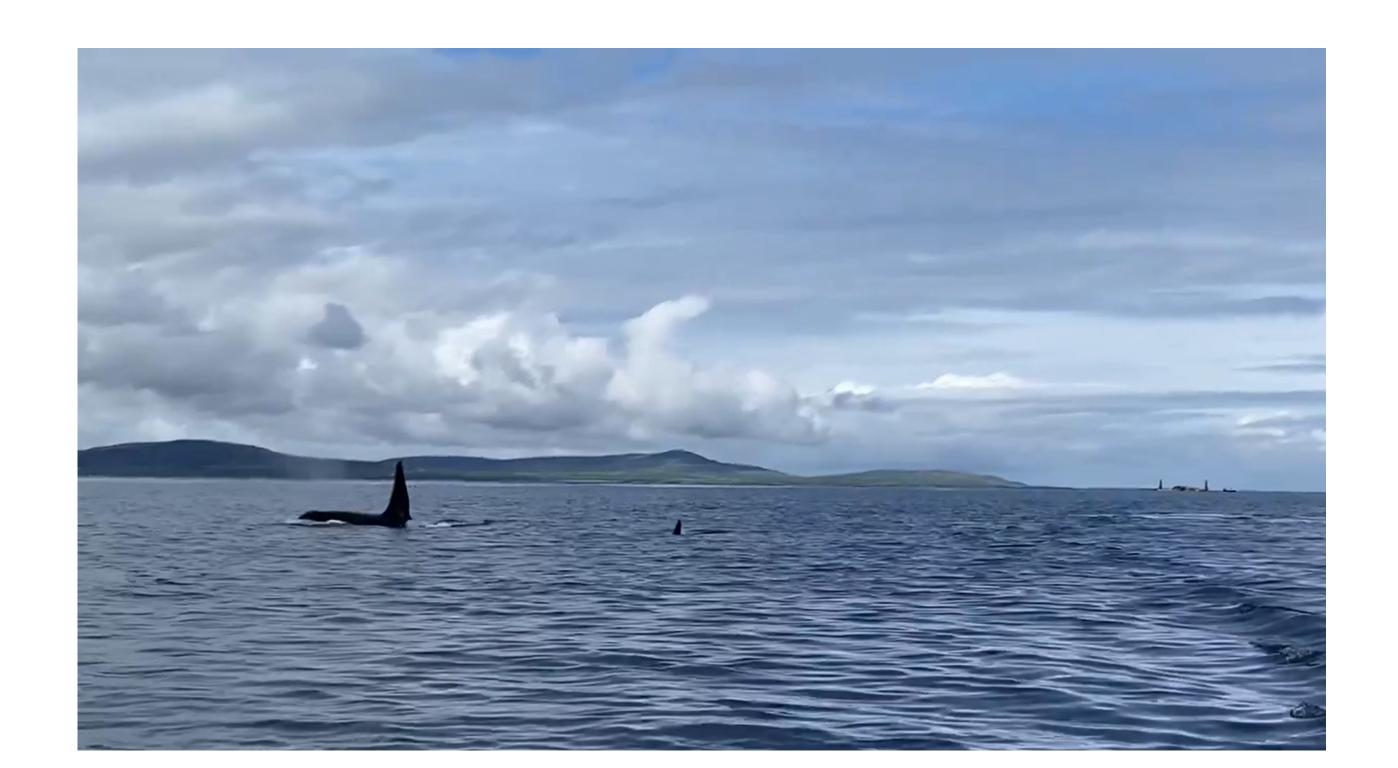
- Total Length 243ft
- Total Width 194ft
- Main Tube Width 13ft
- Blades 65ft Diameter
- Anchored at four points
- Concrete blocks or bolted to rocks



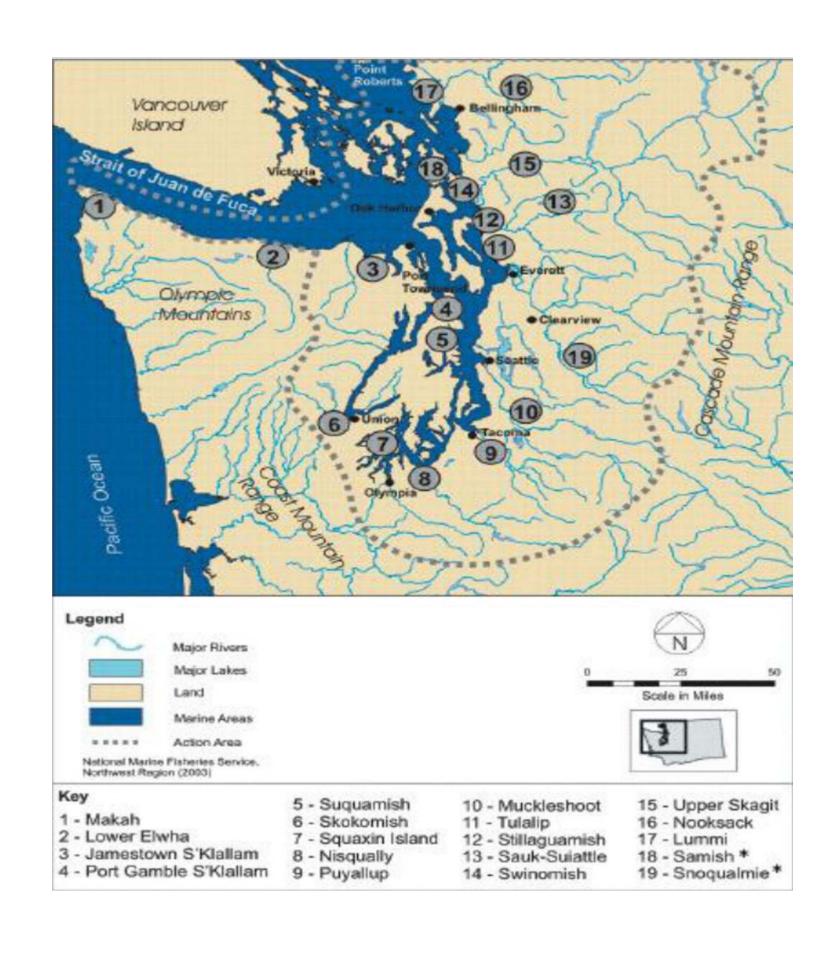
# Pilot Tidal Power Project: Environmental Care

Evidence from around 10,000 hours of wildlife observations at EMEC's sites has indicated <u>no</u> <u>significant long-term changes in the distribution of birds or marine mammals</u> due to the presence and operation of wave and tidal devices. Monitoring programs around the OPALCO project will advance the understanding of the ecologies around the tidal devices.

The OPALCO/Orbital team is committed to increasing the understanding of **potential environmental interactions** associated with the large-scale deployment of tidal stream technology.



## Pilot Tidal Power Project: Stakeholder Outreach



Permitting: As part of the permitting process, OPALCO has commenced engagement with the following groups:

- Tribal Community
- U.S. Army Corps of Engineers
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission
- U.S. Coast Guard
- U.S. Fish and Wildlife
- National Marine Fisheries Service
- Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
- Washington Department of Ecology
- Washington Department of Natural Resources

# **Next Steps**

#### Incorporate stakeholder feedback

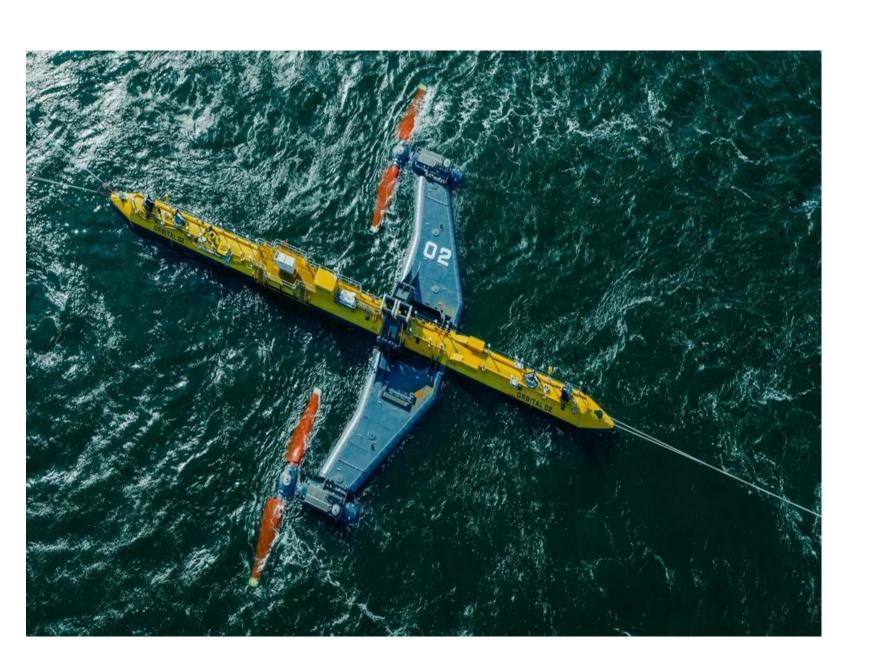
Project design will evolve

#### Funding

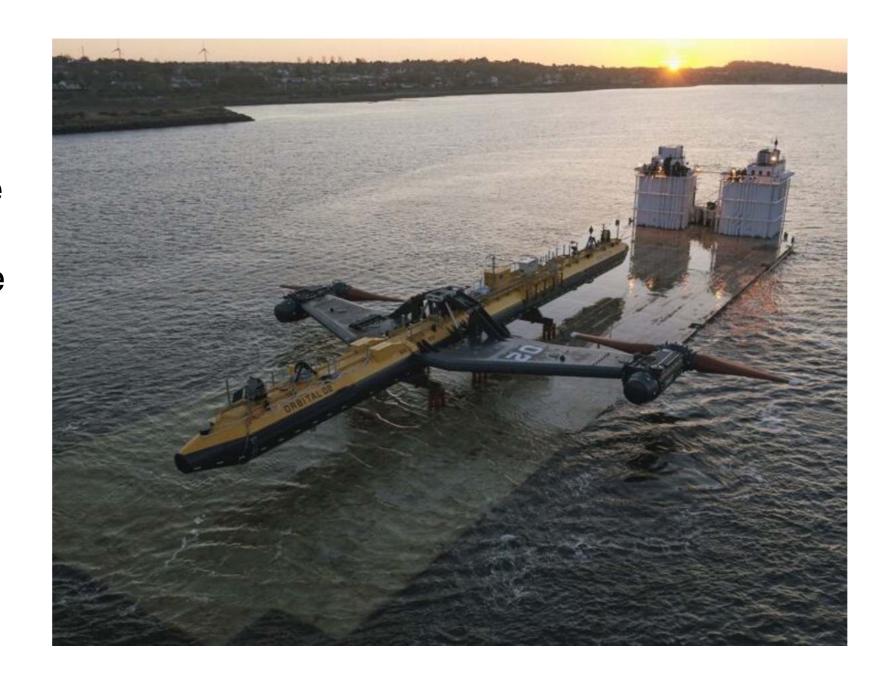
- TBD
- U.S. Department of Energy grant funding

#### **Projected Timeline**

Unknown at this time and will be based on regional feedback and grant funding.



The Orbital Marine floating tidal turbine has a 245-foot hull with suspended rotors underneath that can be raised for on-site service. The turbine is anchored to the seafloor with mooring lines. Floating approximately 5 feet above the waterline and 7.5 feet below, the unit houses two turbines with a combined output of ~2 MW. The device is 165 feet wide including the span of the blades underwater. This technology has been deployed in the Orkney Islands, Scotland for operational and commercial demonstrational purposes.



# Thank You!



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