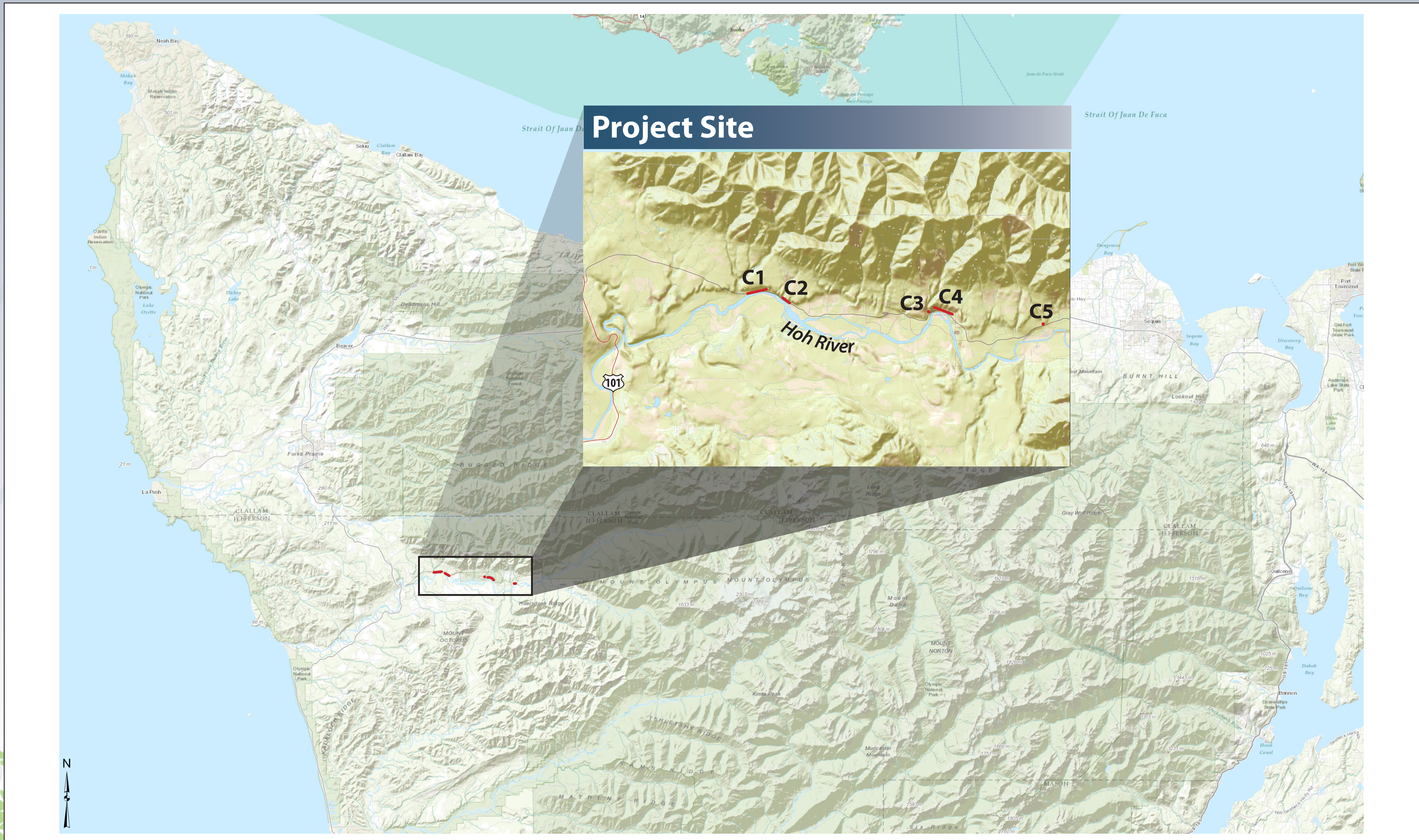


UPPER HOH RIVER ROAD PROJECT



Upper Hoh River Road is important because:

- It is the only access for (1) residents and businesses along this stretch of the road, and (2) visitors entering Olympic National Park from the west.
- Approximately 80,000 vehicles enter the Park annually using the Upper Hoh River Road, with over 20,000 vehicles in August.
- It leads to the Hoh Rain Forest Visitor Center, one of four year-round ranger stations in the Park and the only year-round ranger station with access to the western side of the Park.

Maintaining safe and consistent access on Upper Hoh River Road is difficult because:

- Recent vegetation removal, warmer temperatures and less snow have resulted in a constantly shifting flow channel in the Hoh River.
- The flow channels are often oriented in a way that directs river flow against the road embankment resulting in severe erosion, damage to the road, and potential flooding.
- Flooding can and has led to long-term road closures.

PROBLEM: More frequent flooding on Upper Hoh River Road will increase the potential for interrupted access to Olympic National Park and local residences and businesses.

This proposed project will:

- Develop and implement cost-effective, long-term bank stabilization solutions at five locations along the Upper Hoh River Road.
- Replace a bridge and install a new stream crossing structure.
- Prevent the road from washing away at these five locations.
- Provide safe and consistent access to residents, businesses and Olympic National Park via Upper Hoh River Road.

Estimated Project Timeline

