DEVELOPING THE WASTEWATER TREATMENT LAGOON SITE

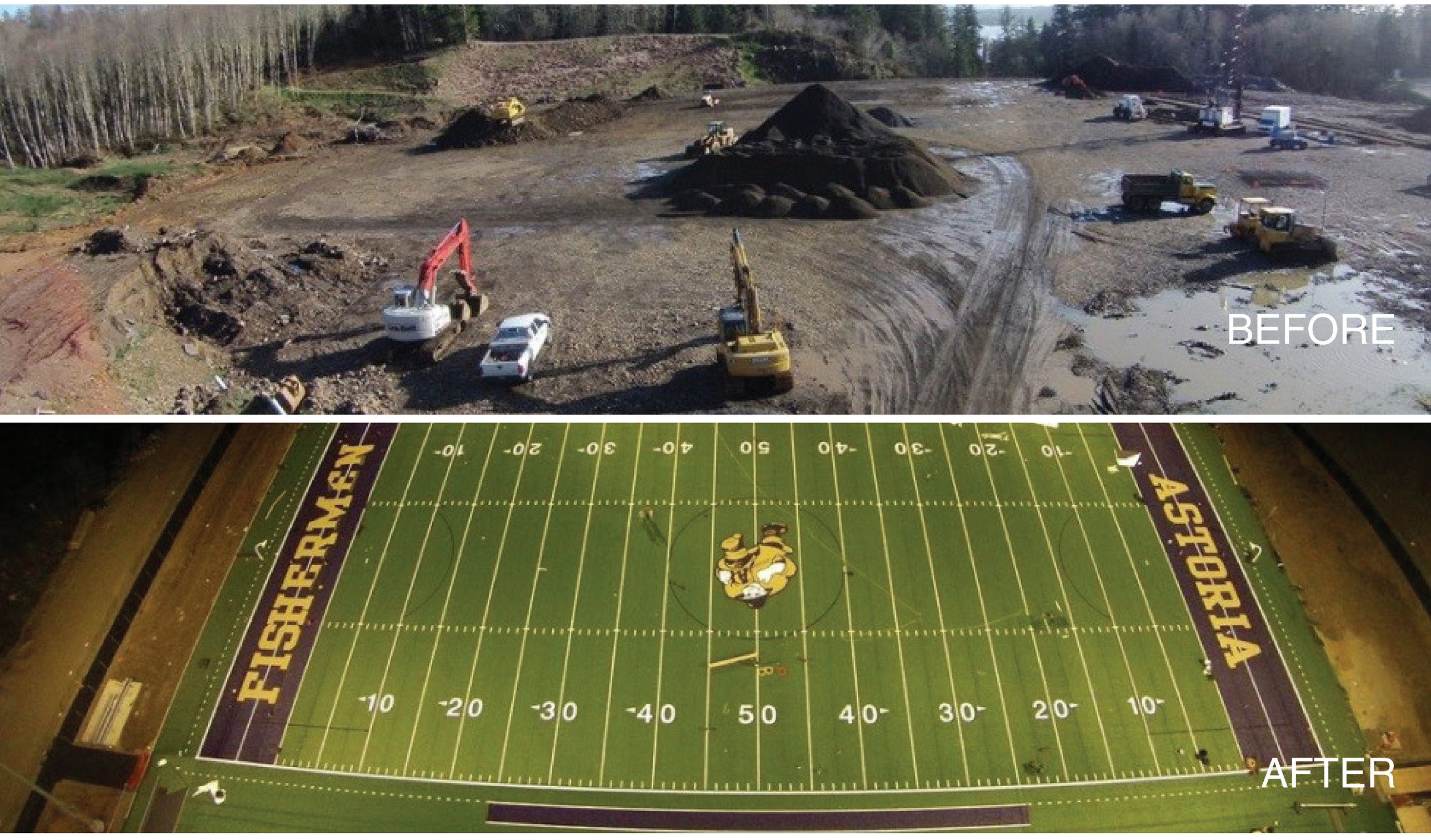
ABOUT THE WASTEWATER LAGOON

- Built to accommodate the former mill, St. Helens' 39-acre wastewater treatment lagoon is far bigger than the city's current or forecasted need.
- The centrally-located lagoon discourages development and occupies space that could be used for community amenities.

HOW CAPPING A WASTEWATER LAGOON WORKS

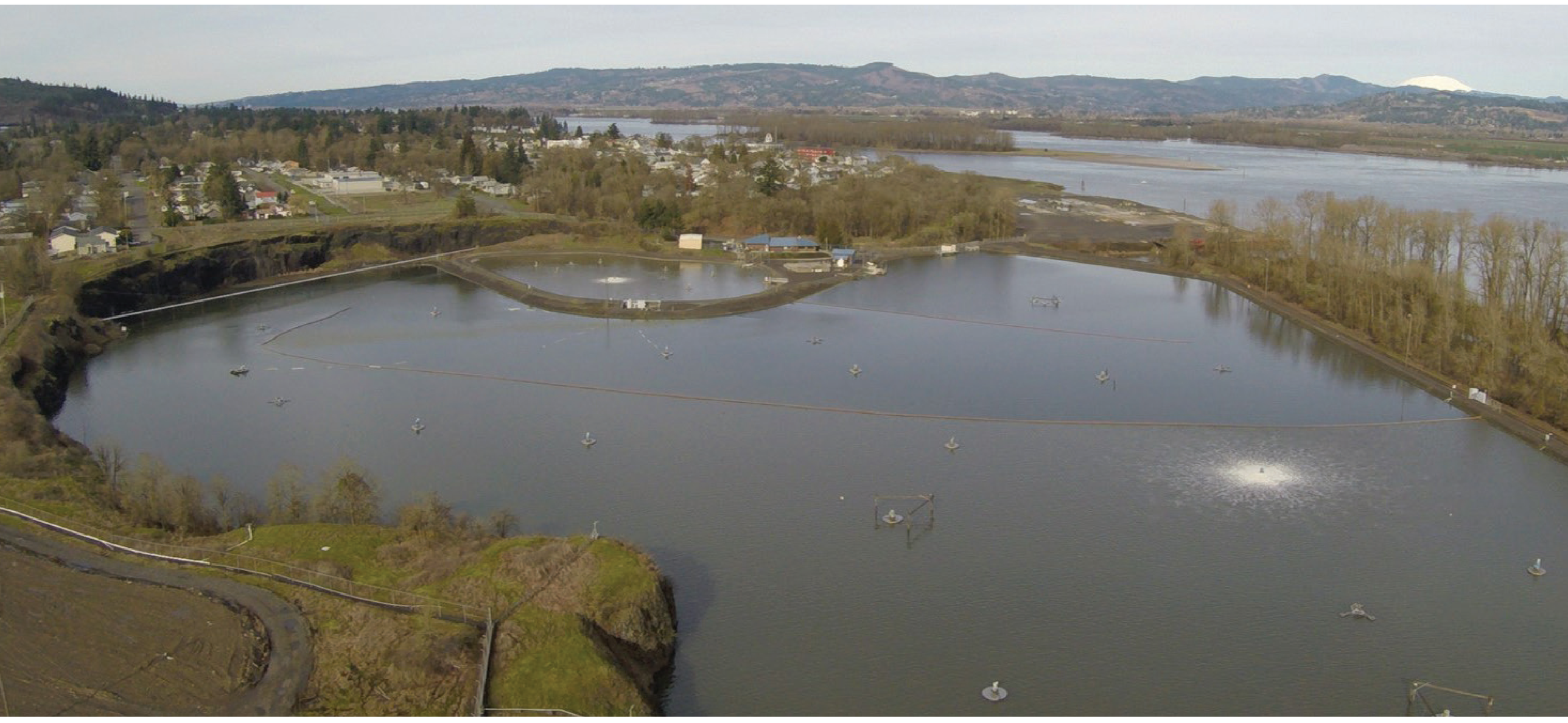
- When cities, agencies and private businesses conduct dredging, they pay to deposit the dredged sediment. Filling the lagoon with dredged sediment would generate revenue the City could use to support the waterfront development project or relocate the wastewater facility. Possible fill sources include soil from commercial sites and dredge sediments from Multnomah Channel and Portland Harbor.
- The lagoon would be lined on the bottom and then could be filled with sediment and soils, and then covered to prevent runoff or leaks. New soil would be placed on top, readying the site for community use.
- The fill sediment would have to be non-hazardous and the process would be regulated through a permit with Oregon Department of Environmental Quality.

Although not a lagoon, the City of Astoria capped a waste disposal site and developed the land as a sports complex for community use.



CENTRAL WATERFRONT DEVELOPMENT POTENTIAL

The City has heard many great ideas from the public about how to best redevelop the waterfront. The former Veneer Mill site isn't large enough for them all, but the lagoon acreage provides new opportunities.



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