

# **Reimagining our Rivers: Restoration & Dam Removal in Maine**

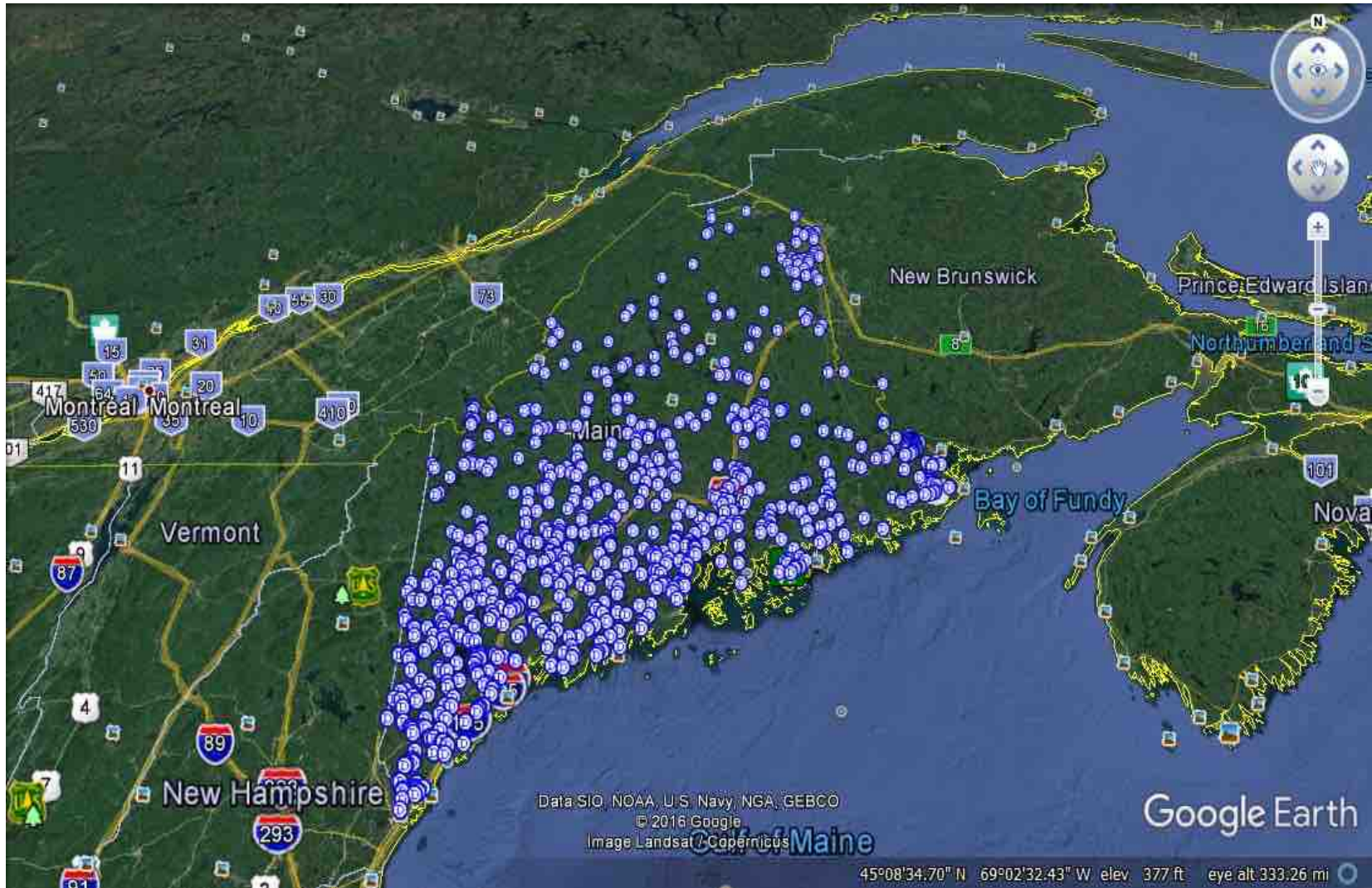


## **Maine Rivers**

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# Dams in Maine





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## DAMS & LEVEES

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Maine has over 1,000 dams registered with the Maine Emergency Management Agency (MEMA). Of these, 191 are classified as dams of significant- and high-hazard potential, in which failure would result in considerable damages or loss of life. Approximately half of those are in fair or unsatisfactory condition and Maine's compliance with the Association of Dam Safety Officials (ASDSO) Model Dam Safety Program is well below the national average.

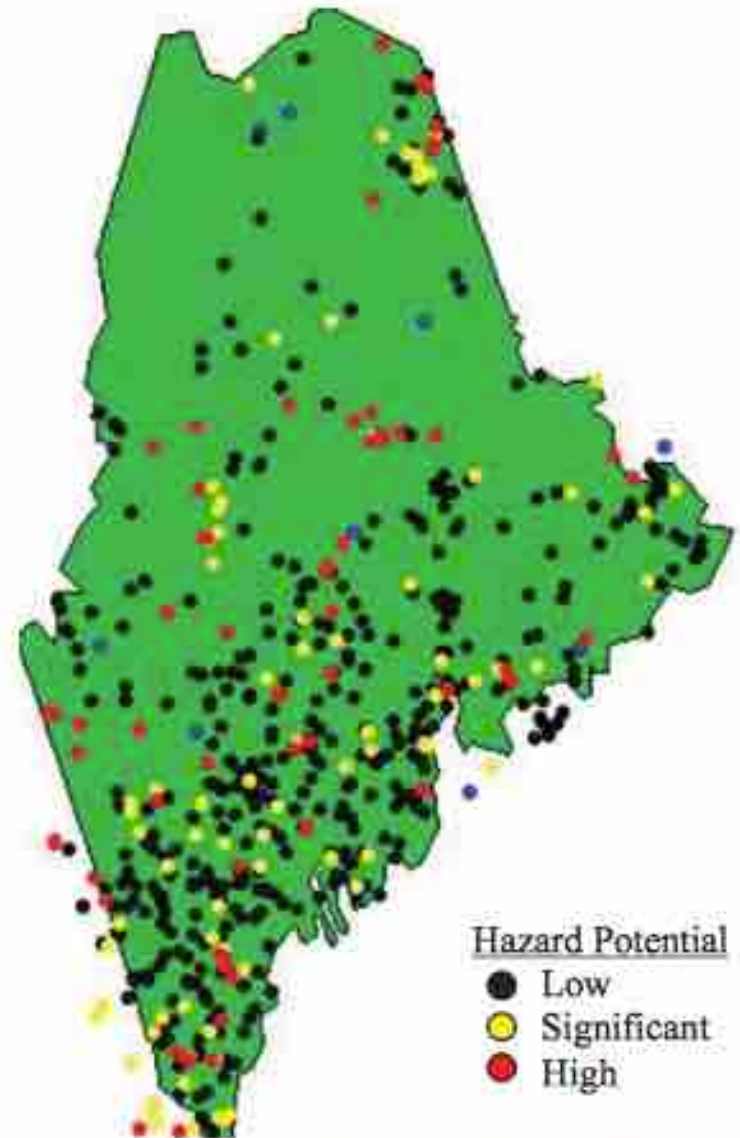


Figure 1: Hazard Potential of Maine's Dams<sup>8</sup>





The New York Times

## *Hopes for a Fish Revival as a Dam Is Demolished*

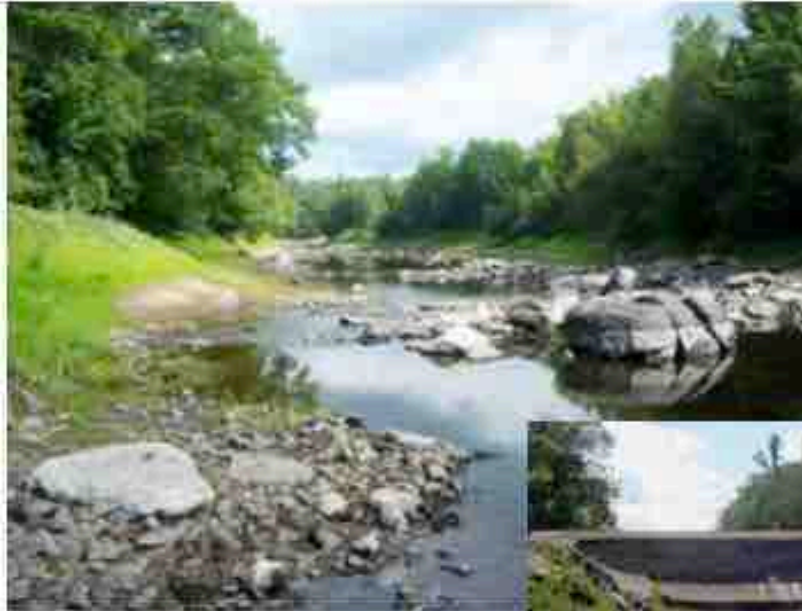
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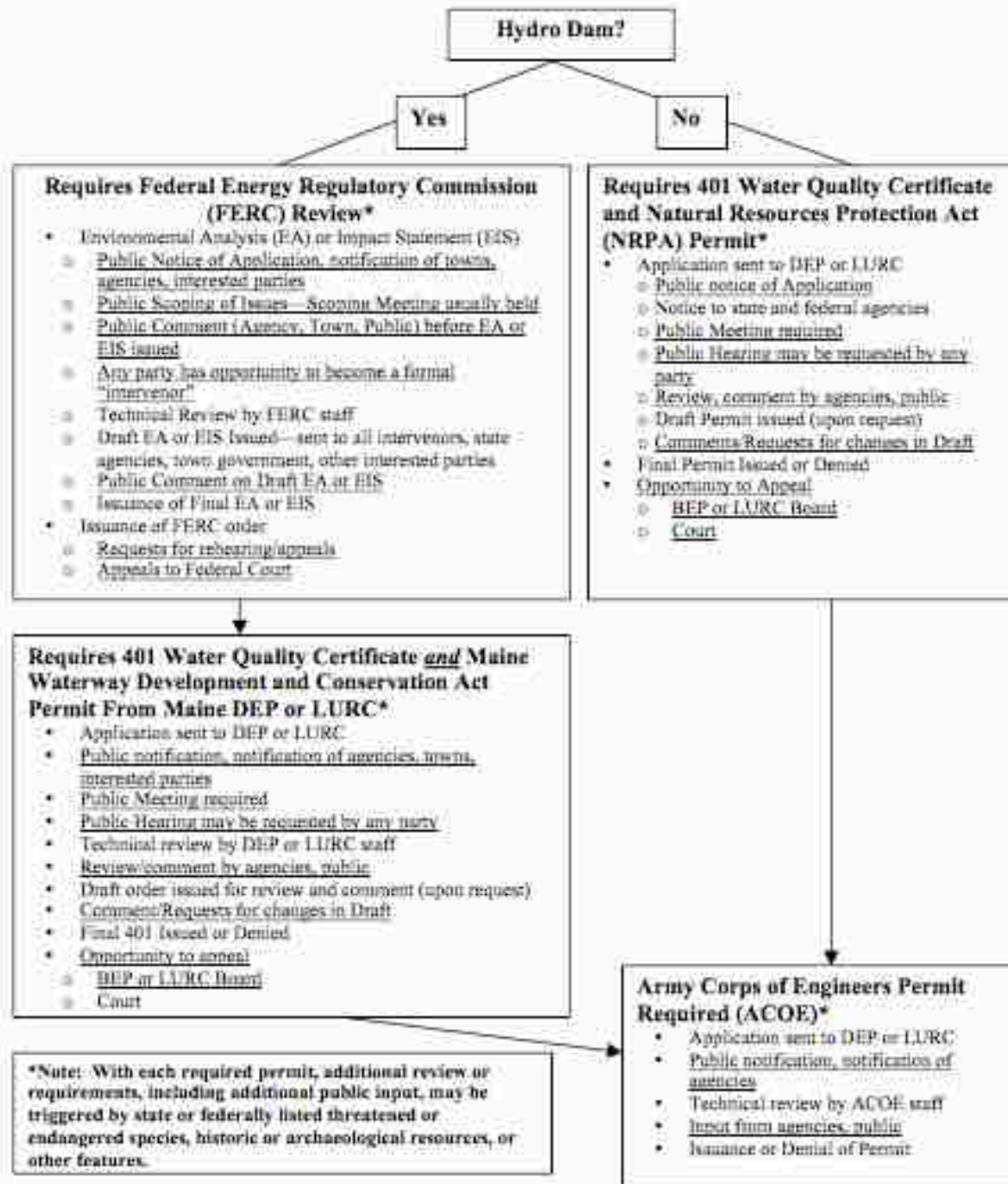
The dismantling of the Veazie Dam will help give 11 species of fish better access to 1,000 miles of spawning habitat. Craig Diger for The New York Times

# Removing Small Dams in Maine

A Basic Guide for Project Managers  
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## State and Federal Permitting Flowchart for Dam Projects in Maine





# China Lake Outlet Stream Diadromous Species Restoration

