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Dan

I presume by now you have heard through the grapevine that the propane truck fell off Gene Brain's bridge and destroyed the deck last month....and when they pulled the stringers off the bridge the left (north) abutment slumped forward out of the bank.

Attached is a copy of the JARPA for Gene Brain's bridge work on Taneum Creek and two photos of the site as it was a month ago. I understand that they tried to straighten up the abutment but they were not successful and ultimately the abutment broke in the process. (the abutment was significantly undermined.)

I understand that without the bridge they are using a ford to get to the property across the river.....but this probably is not very easy now with all the ice and it won't be practicable during spring high water. It is probably best to patch together the bridge now while the flows are low. WDFW can issue an expedited HPA. I presume this needs a shoreline permit. Also I would think the bridge abutment and deck design should be approved or at least examined by Public Works and/or the Fire Marshal with regards to getting emergency equipment across the bridge.

I am planning to meet Louie Gibson out on the site this afternoon at 1:30pm. Do you want to join us?

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