



Condition Assessment Criteria

And the Data Required for Hydropower Generating
Units

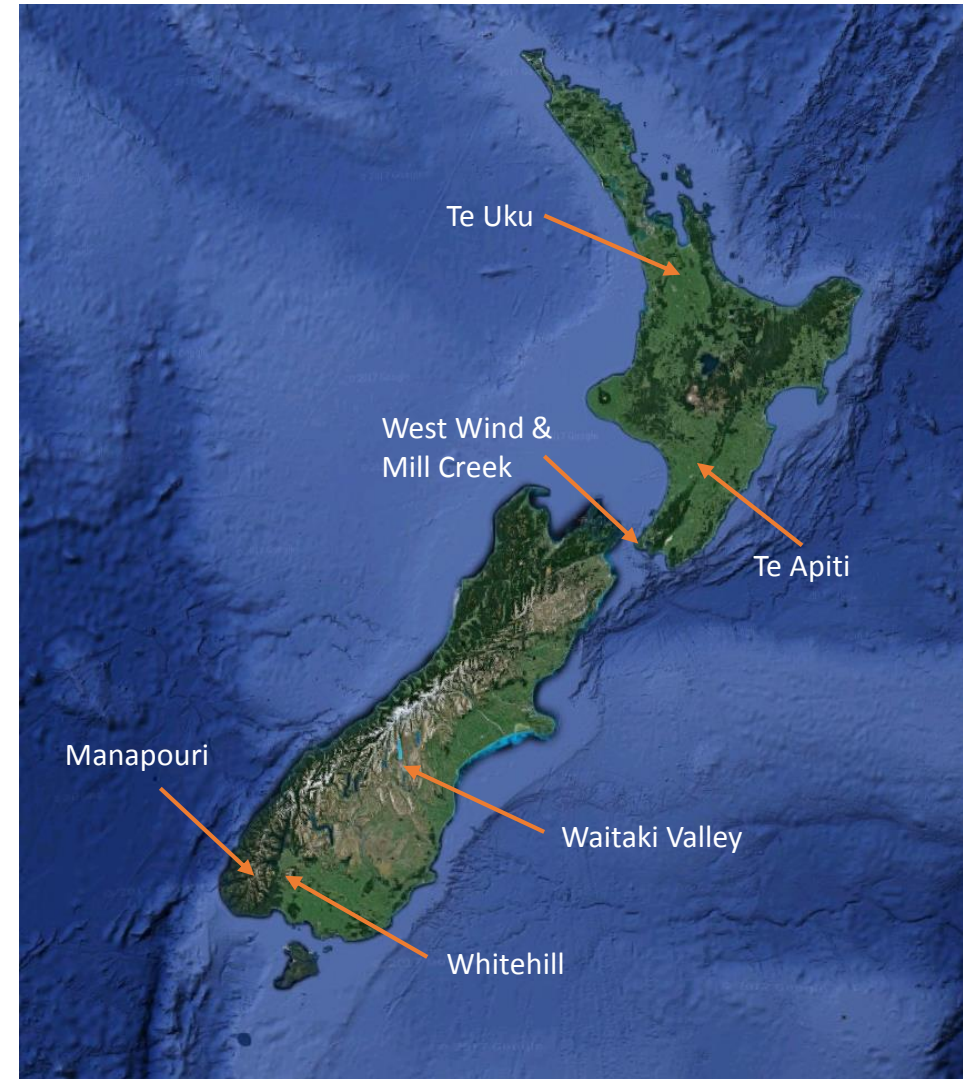
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“Powered by Data”

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Meridian at a Glance

- 100% renewable electricity generator and retailer
- 7 hydro stations
 - Manapouri, Ohau A, Ohau B, Ohau C, Benmore, Aviemore & Waitaki
- 7 wind farms
 - Te Apiti, Te Uku, West Wind, Mill Creek, Whitehill, Mt Mercer & Mt Miller



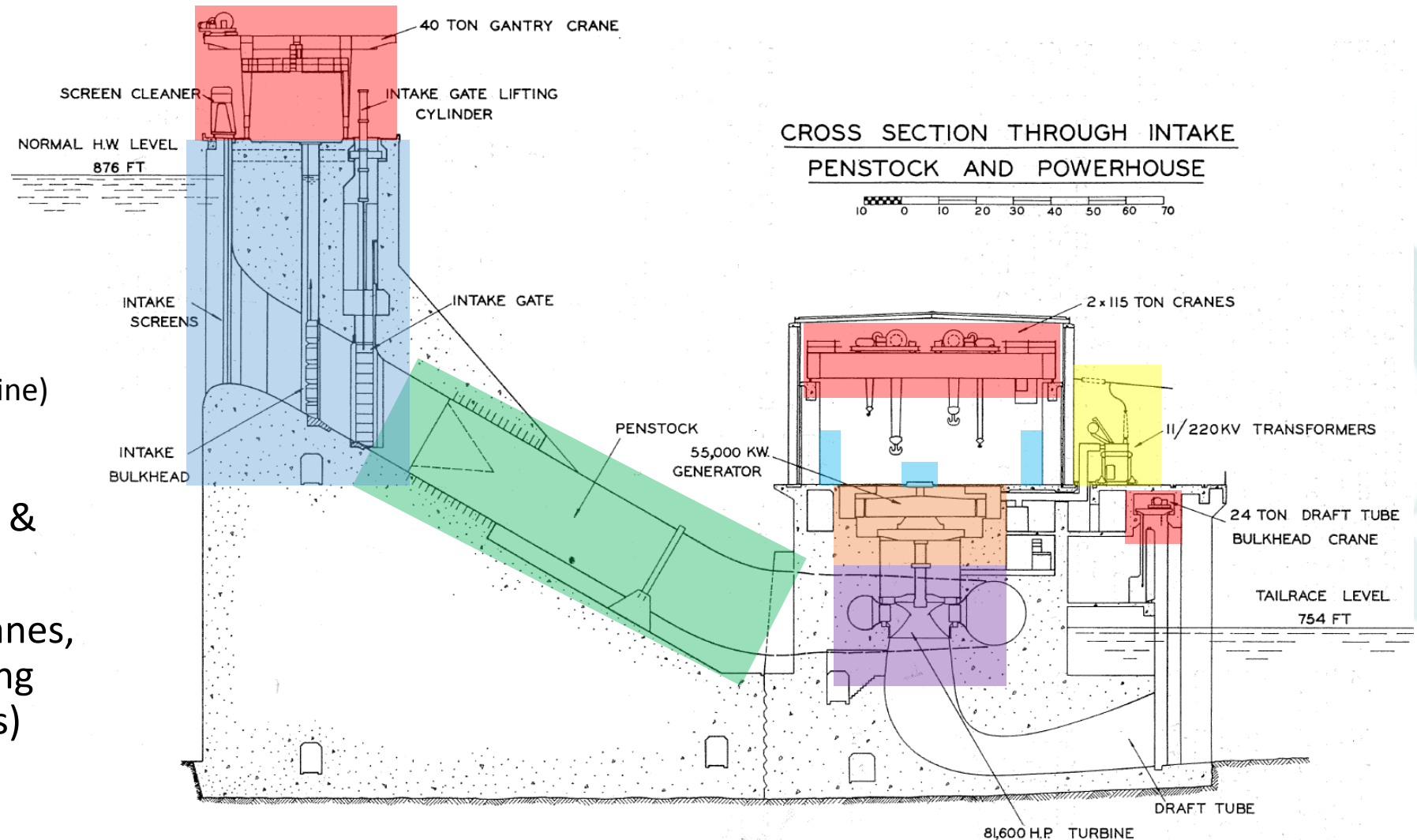
Overview

- Condition data
 - What?
 - How?
 - Why?
- Detailed main unit condition assessments
 - Development
 - Implementation
- Future Works



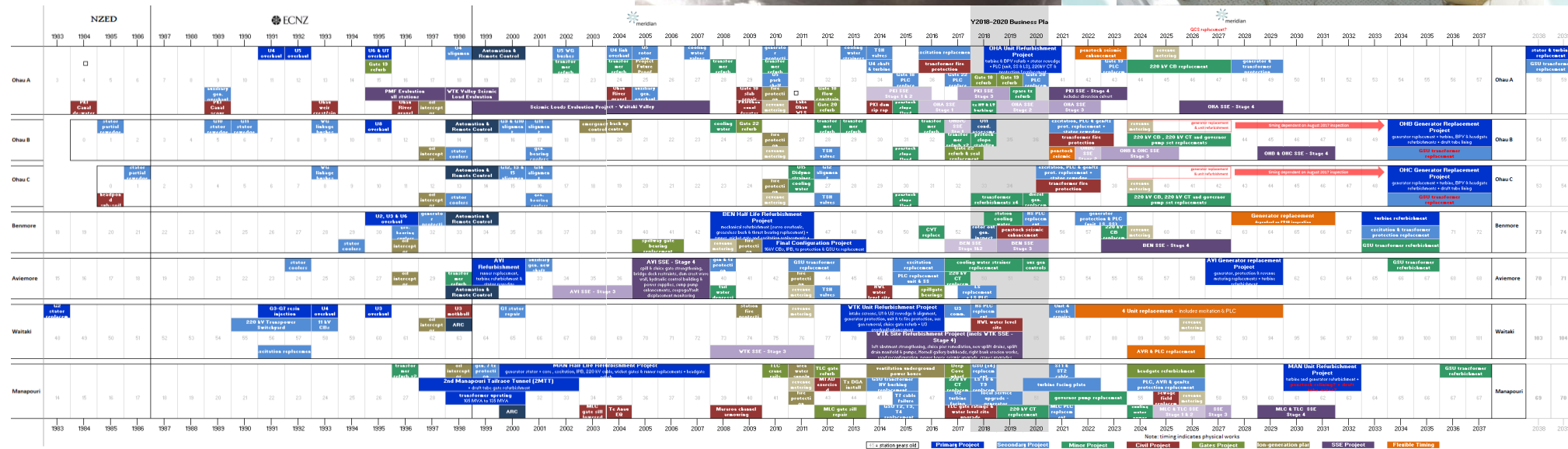
A Typical Hydro Station

- Headgates and Intake Structure
- Penstock
- Main unit
 - Above coupling (Generator)
 - Below coupling (Turbine)
- Transformers
- Excitation, Protection & Control/Governor
- Auxiliary Services (cranes, compressed air, cooling water, AC/DC supplies)



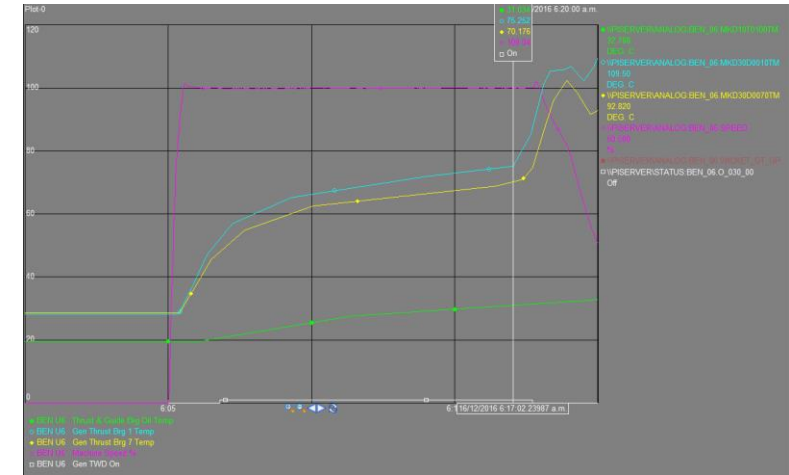
Condition Data

- Drives operational parameters & restrictions
- Drives Asset Maintenance Plan (AMP) process
 - Minor projects
 - Major projects & refurbishments/replacements
- Objective & subjective
- Photos
- Reports
- Tests



Gathering Condition Data

- Scheduled maintenance
- Route marches
- Real time operation of units
- Analysis of operation data
- Forced Outages
- Desktop Investigations
- Review of historical data



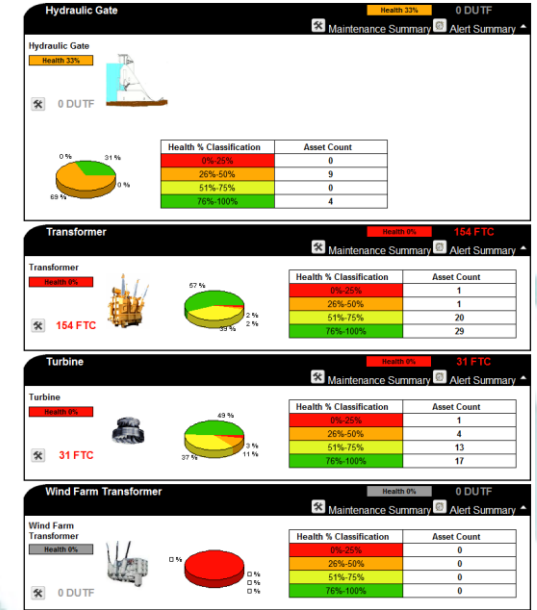
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INSPECTION REPORT No. IND 789				
CLIENT New Zealand Electricity				
Project Ohau B & C Power Stations				
Contract or Order No.	65018-53 MW	Part or Final Inspection	Part	
P.C. & R. File No.	373401	Sub-order Index No.	M/C	Works Order
Main Contractor	Bharat Heavy Electricals			
Sub-contractor				
Sub-contractor				
Inspected at	Bhopal, India		Date 20 to 29, 11, 78	
<p>This is to certify that the installation has been examined in accordance with the relevant Specifications as well as the drawings and diagrams referred to below, based as described and found to be in the condition stated hereunder:-</p> <p style="text-align: center;">GENERATOR NO. 1</p> <p>ONE - Type ADV 850 M 100, 53000 kW, 0.9 p.f. 3091 A, 11000 V, 50 Hz, 150 rpm, 3-phase, salient pole (No. 40), hydro generator. Rated excitation current 990 A DC, rated excitation voltage 275 V DC. Static excitation system supplied by BBC-Baden. The generator is of totally enclosed type with water cooled air coolers mounted on the four corners of the concrete barrel. Vertical shaft, umbrella type with thrust and guide bearings located under the rotor. The lubricating oil is water cooled through a heat exchanger. Fitted with hydraulic lifting jacks and brakes. Clockwise rotation when viewed from non-driving end. Slot insulation of stator winding: Epoxy novolac glass mica paper tape. End winding insulation: Flexible mica flake tape. Pole winding interturn insulation: epoxy resin bonded asbestos paper. Pole winding insulation against the body: epoxy glass fabric board.</p>				
APPROVED BY		CERTIFICATE		
Inspecting Engineer		Part and on behalf of PREECE CARDEW & RIDER		
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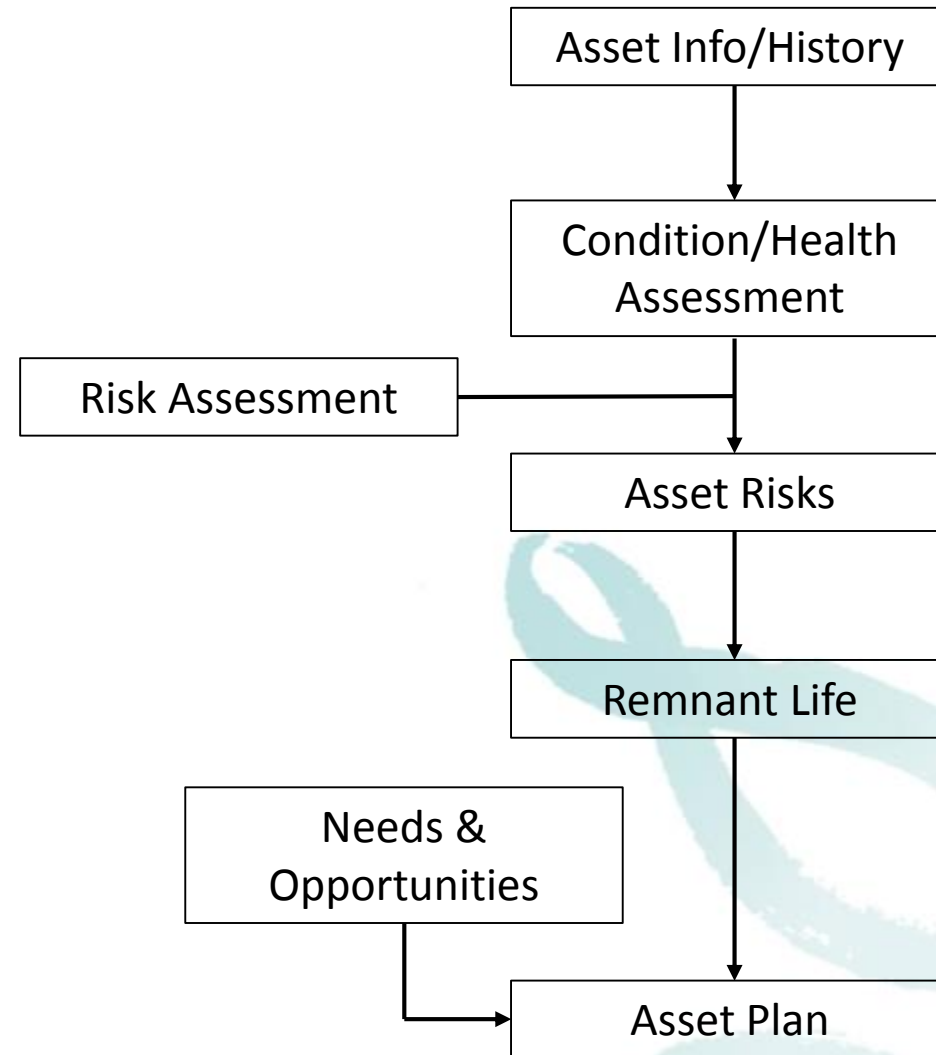
Condition Data Storage

- Maximo
- M drive and Filesite
- Plantdocs
- PI Historian
- PAM (undergoing replacement)
- Personal drives & peoples heads



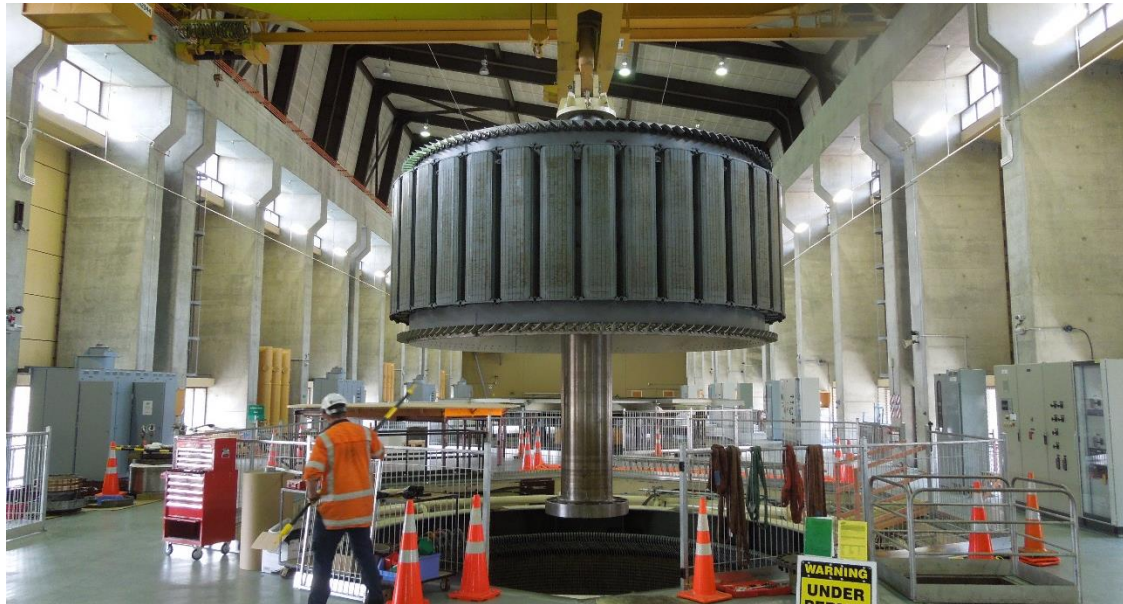
Making Decisions

- Choices for aging plant
 - Retire
 - Redevelop
 - Life extension (refurbishment)
 - Modernisation (replacement)
- Screen and prioritise
- Conduct a closer condition assessment
- Assess risks – estimate remnant life
- Prioritise H&S risks
- Make a decision!

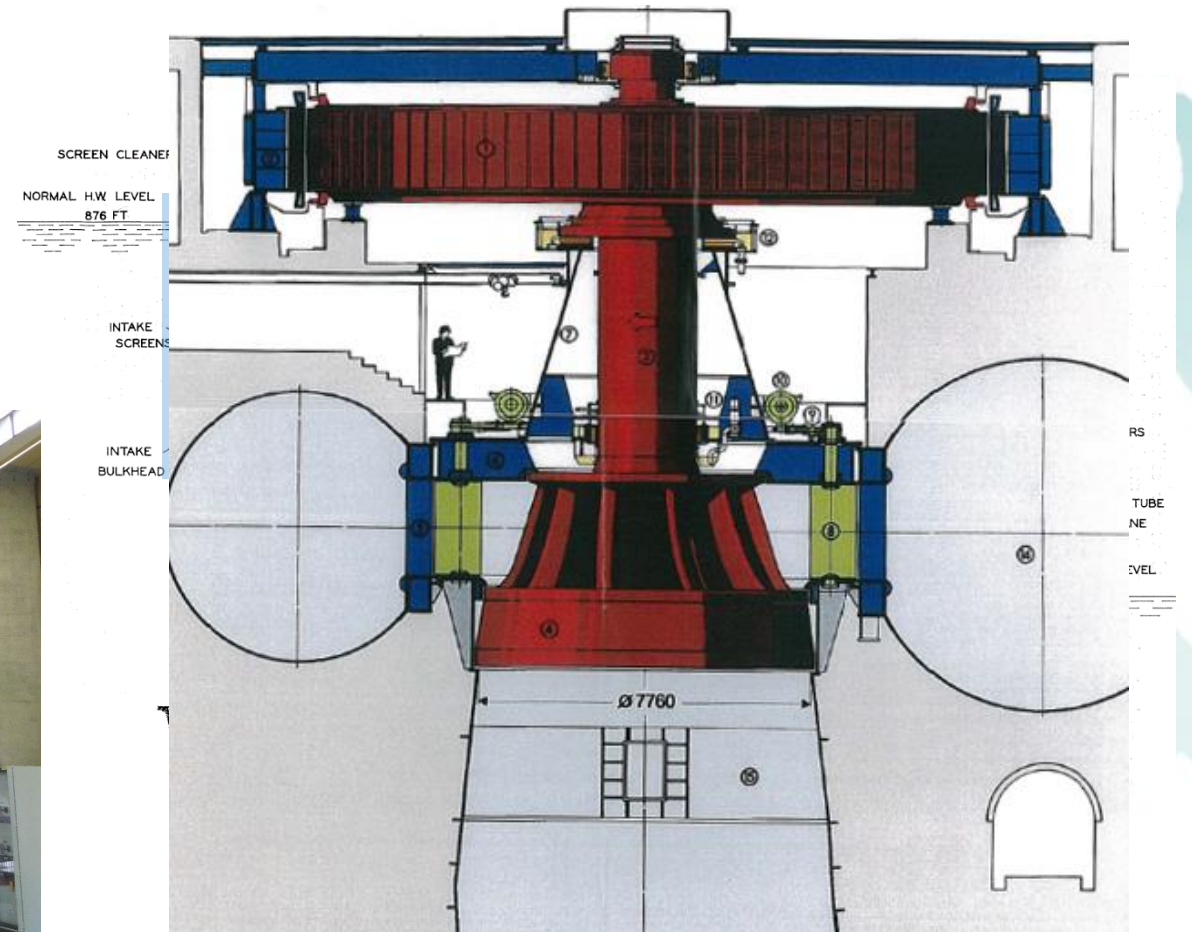


Detailed Condition Assessment

- Develop a template for main systems
- Start with the main units
- Split systems into components
- Assign weightings



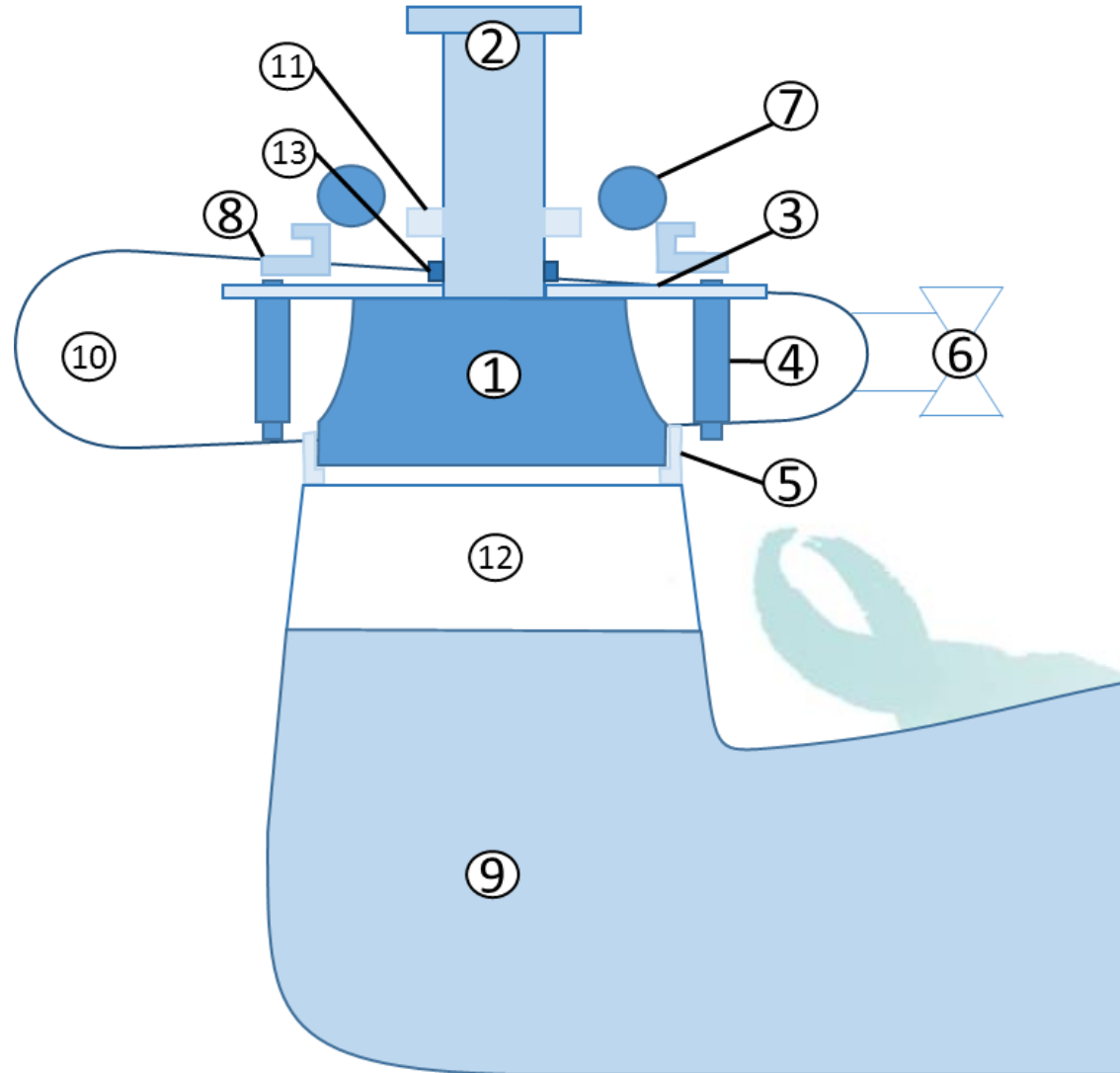
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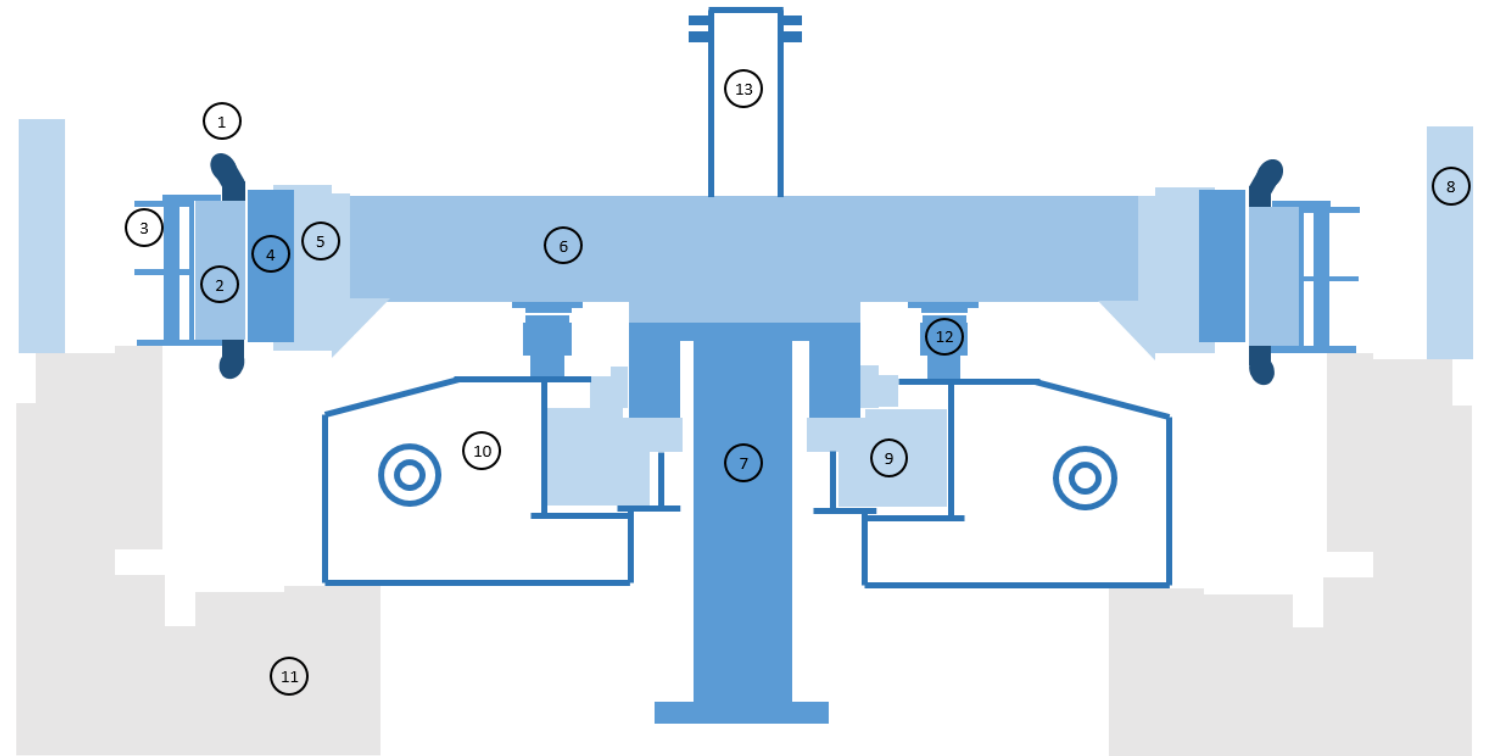
Hydroturbine

Item	Component
1	Runner
2	Shaft and Coupling
3	Head Cover
4	Wicket Gates
5	Discharge Ring
6	Bypass Valve
7	Servomotors
8	Wicket Gate Actuation Assembly
9	Draft Tube Concrete
10	Scroll Case
11	Turbine Bearing
12	Draft Tube liner
13	Shaft Seal



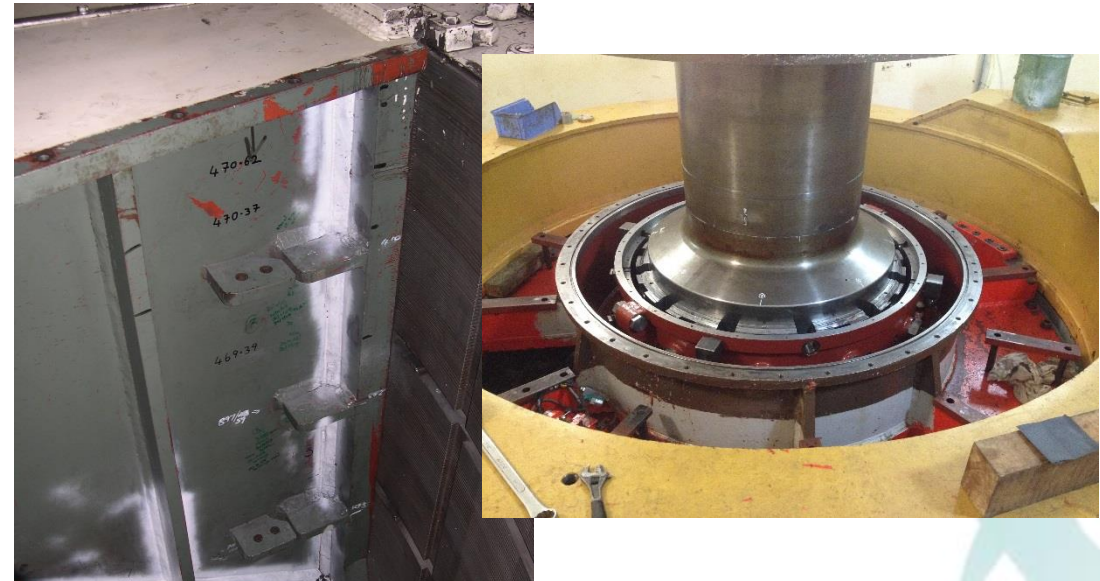
Hydrogenerator

Item	Component
1	Stator Winding
2	Stator Core
3	Stator Frame
4	Rotor Poles
5	Rotor Rim
6	Rotor Spider/Hub
7	Generator Shaft
8	Stator Coolers
9	Combined Bearing
10	Thrust Bracket
11	Foundations
12	Brakes and brake track
13	Excitation shaft



Template Development

- Template based on USACE & EPRI templates and Meridian's existing templates
- Developed for Ohau B
- Assign each component condition scales
 - Cracks
 - Cavitation
 - Surface Condition
 - Wear & Deterioration
 - Component clearances
 - Oil leakage
 - Unscheduled maintenance



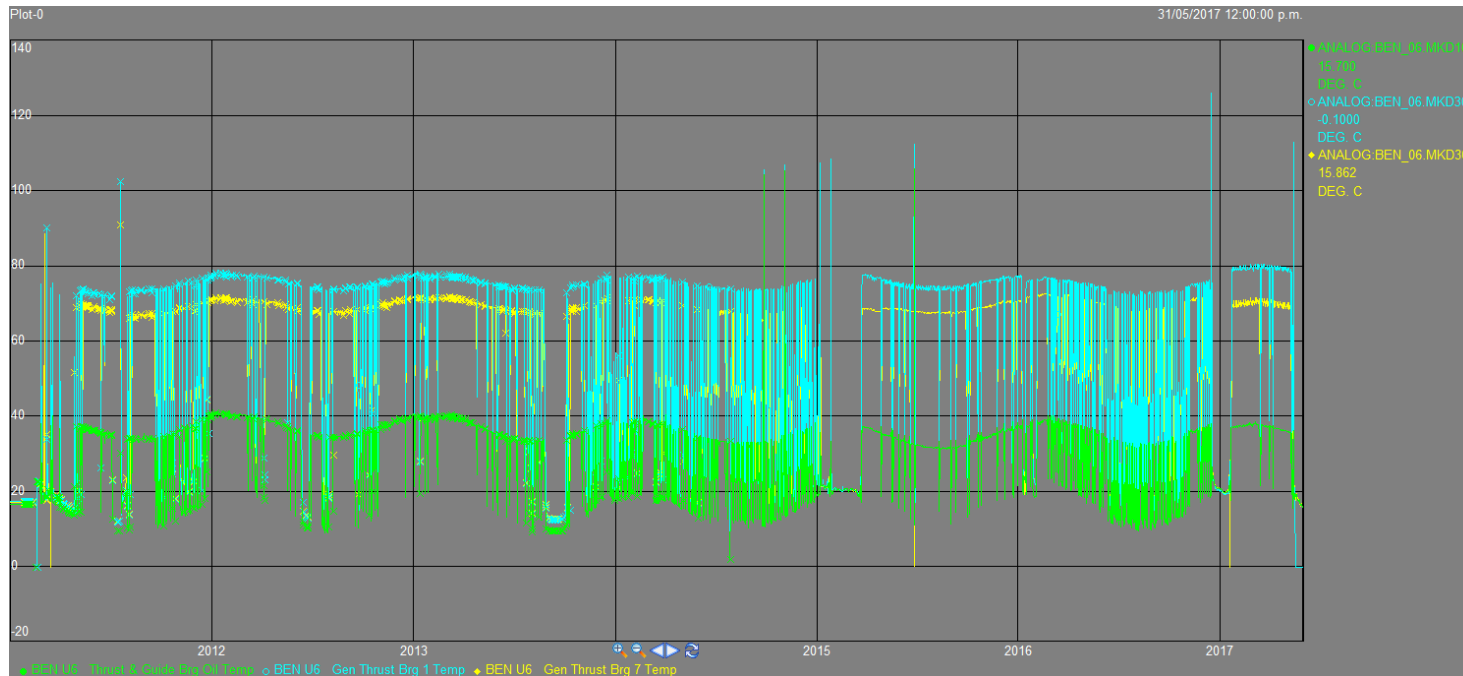
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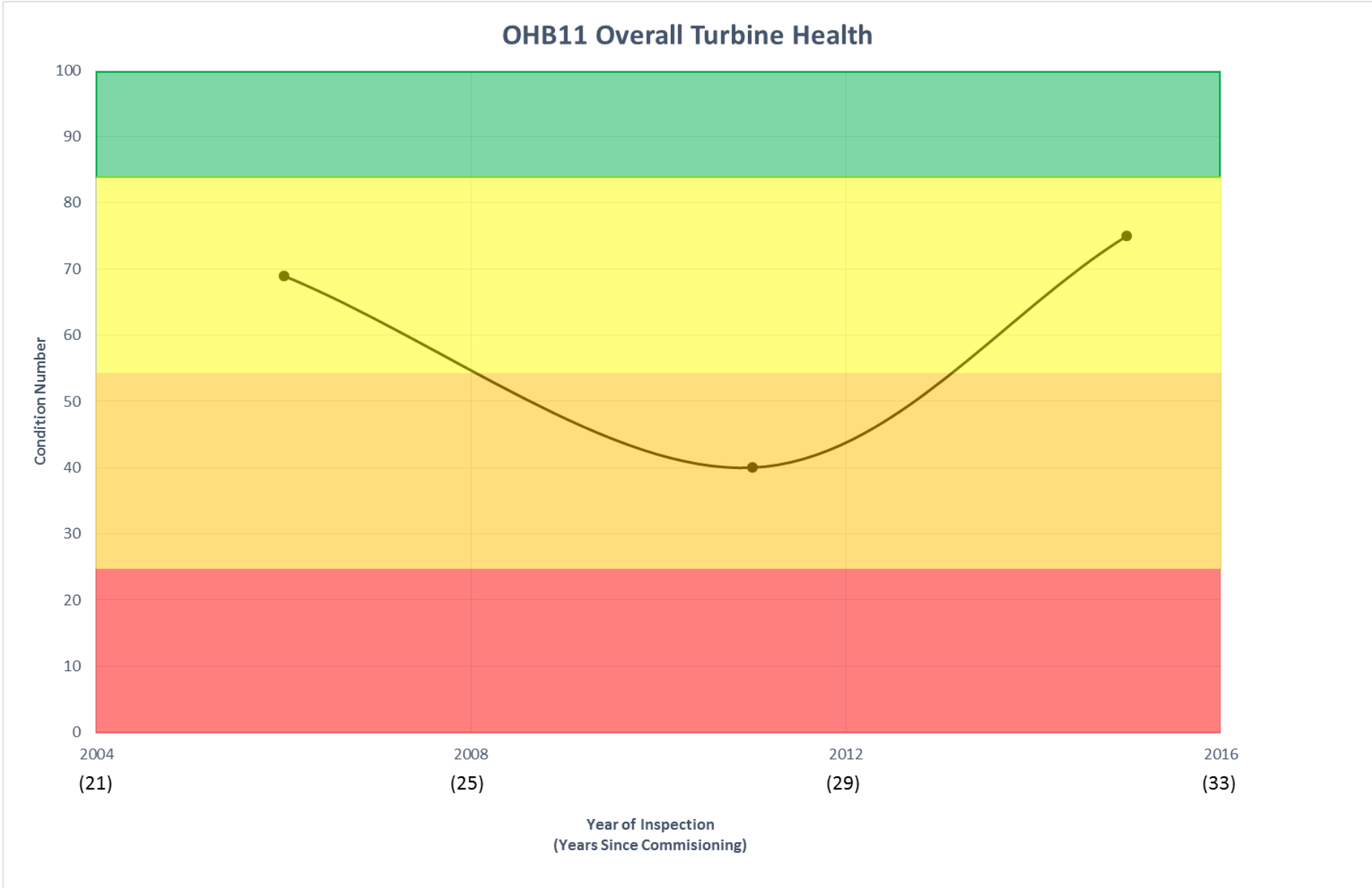
- Explicit examples
- Overall score of the system is calculated
 - Lowest condition score of each component
- Collaborative tool – input required from maintenance staff and engineers
- Mostly visual assessments
 - Some electrical tests
 - May be some NDT



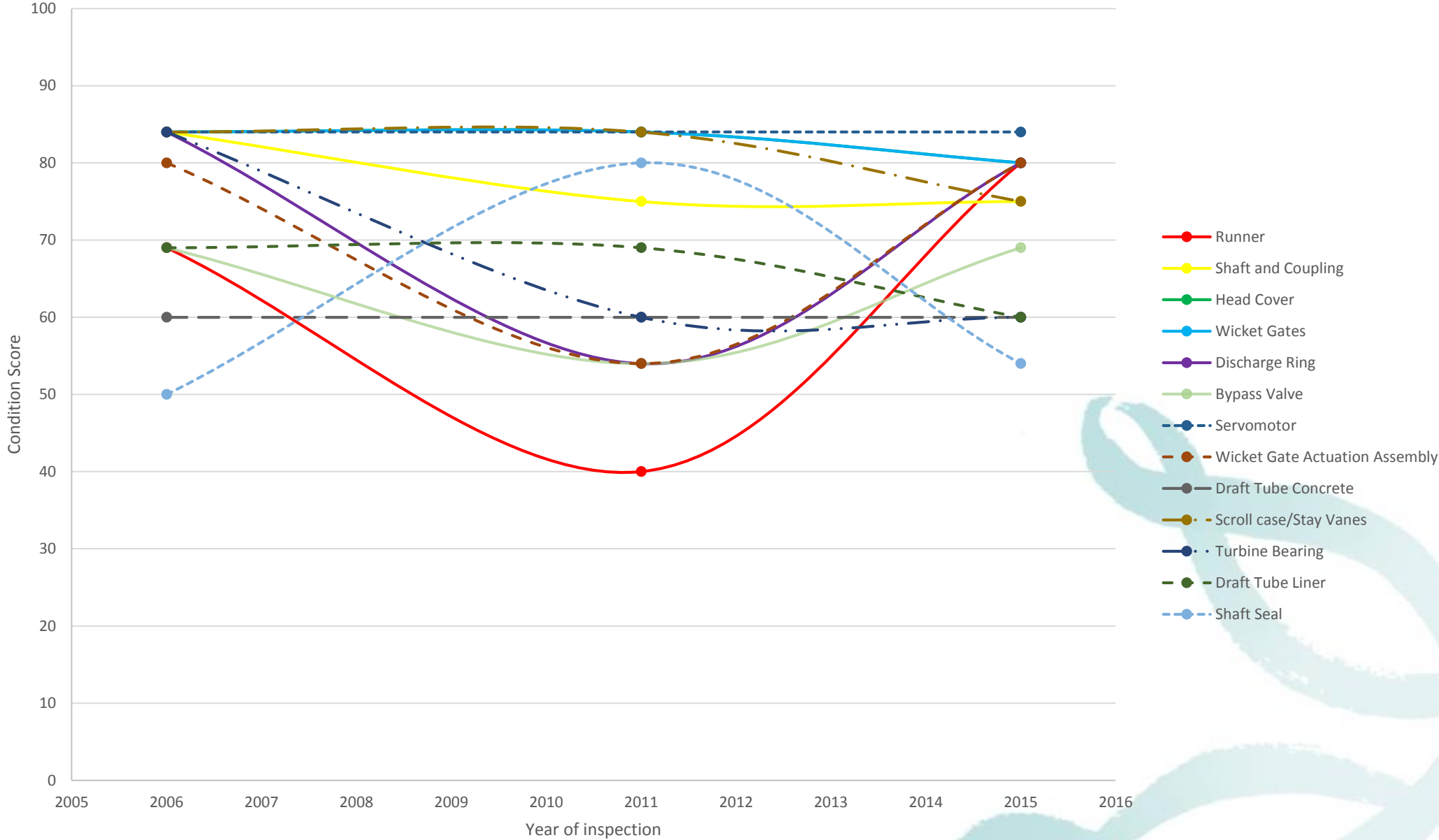
Template Implementation

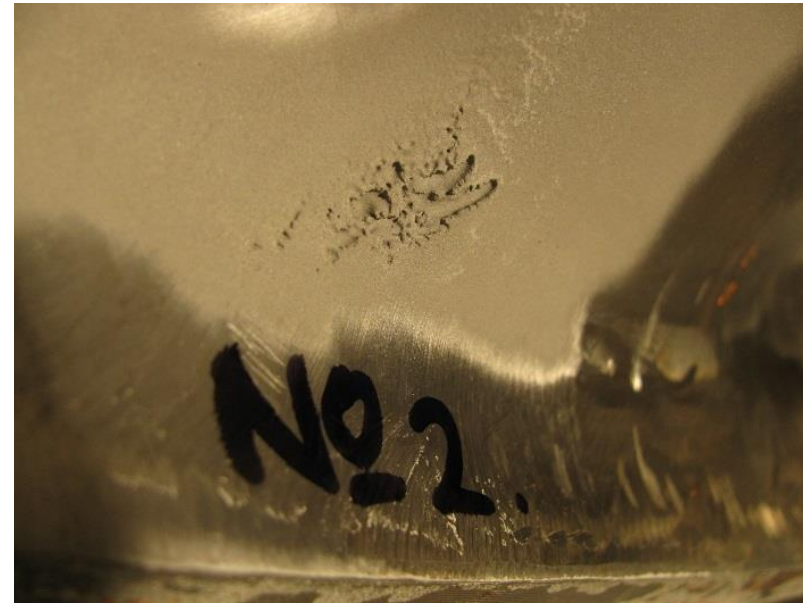
- Evaluate components
- Use current data and/or evaluate historical data
 - Trend condition over time





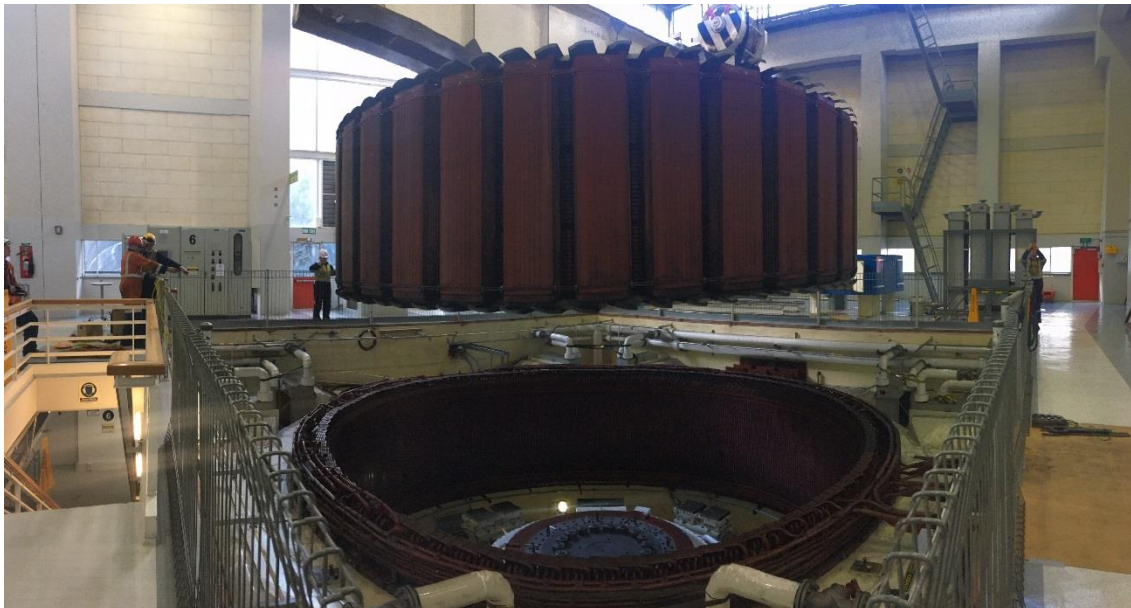
Component Lowest Condition Scores





Detailed Assessments

- In-depth assessments carried out as required
- Template collates all the required information in one place
- Work best with a disassembly



Future Works

- Develop generator template into a usable tool
- Use the templates and gather feedback
 - Ohau B Unit 11
- Develop and refine the templates
- Use templates to update job plans
- Templates feed into new PAM system



Questions?

