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### PREFACE

This report is prepared under guidance contained in the "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams," for Phase I Investigations. Copies of these guidelines may be obtained from the Office of Chief of Engineers, Washington, D.C. 20314. The purpose of a Phase I Investigation is to identify expeditiously those dams which may pose hazards to human life or property. The assessment of the general condition of the dam is based upon available data and visual inspections. Detailed investigation, and analyses involving topographic mapping, subsurface investigations, testing, and detailed computational evaluations are beyond the scope of a Phase I Investigation; however, the investigation is intended to identify any need for such studies.

In reviewing this report, it should be realized that the reported condition of the dam is based on observations of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data available to the inspection team. In cases where the reservoir was lowered or drained prior to inspection, such action, while improving the stability and safety of the dam, removes the normal load on the structure and may obscure certain conditions which might otherwise be detectable if inspected under the normal operating environment of the structure.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. It would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will continue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only through frequent inspections can unsafe conditions be detected and only through continued care and maintenance can these conditions be prevented or corrected.

Phase I Inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established guidelines, the spillway design flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. The spillway design flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aid in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.

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### PHASE I REPORT NATIONAL DAM SAFETY PROGRAM

Salt Run Reservoir Dam, Cameron County, Pennsylvania NDI No. PA 00392, PennDER No. 12-4 Salt Run Inspected 10 November 1978

# ASSESSMENT OF GENERAL CONDITIONS

Salt Run Reservoir Dam consists of a diaphragm earthfill embankment approximately 42 feet high and 355 feet long. The uncontrolled overflow spillway is located at the right abutment of the dam and is 65 feet wide. The dam and reservoir are owned and operated by the Emporium Water Company.

The visual inspection and review of engineering data, performed in November 1978 through January 1979, revealed necessasry items of maintenance and rehabilitation for the dam. It is recommended that the owner repair the undermining of the right end of the spillway, monitor all seepage from the dam for quantity and turbidity, monitor and provide erosion protection at the left abutment hillside seepage, provide drainage for the marshy area downstream from the dam, repair the animal burrows in the embankment, implement a rodent control program, repair all eroded areas on the embankment and reseed as necessary, repair the spalled concrete on the intake structure, and develop and implement a maintenance schedule for all facilities.

Hydraulic/hydrologic evaluations, performed in accordance with procedures established by the Baltimore District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers for Phase I Inspection Reports, revealed that the spillway will not pass the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) without overtopping the dam. The analysis indicated that the spillway will pass approximately 37 percent of the PMF before overtopping will occur. As a result of this analysis and others noted in Section 5, the spillway is considered "seriously inadequate." Based upon the observed condition and the review of the design of the spillway, it is recommended that the owner immediately initiate an engineering study to develop recommendations for the reconstruction of the spillway to meet current design

criteria. The owner should also develop emergency operation and evacuation procedures for the dam.

In summary the dam must be categorized as an "unsafe""non-emergency" condition.

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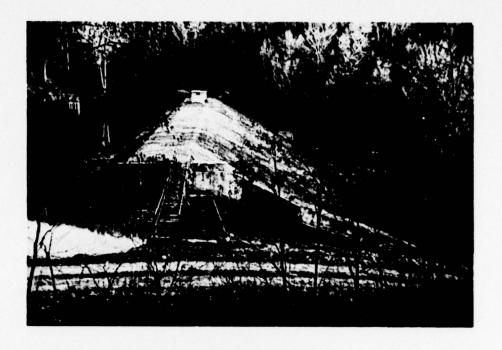
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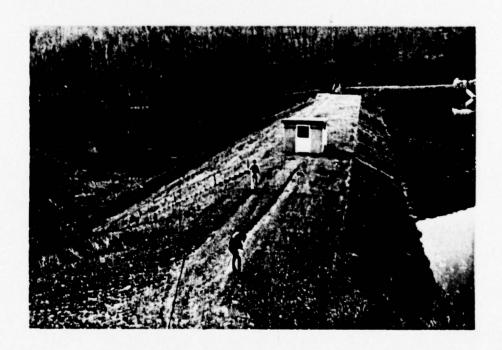
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### **SALT RUN RESERVOIR DAM**



Overall View from Spillway (Right) Hillside



Overall View from Hillside (Left) Opposite of Spillway

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### PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT NATIONAL DAM SAFETY PROGRAM SALT RUN RESERVOIR DAM NDI NO. PA 00392, PennDER No. 12-4

### SECTION 1 - PROJECT INFORMATION

### 1.1 GENERAL

- a. Authority The Dam Inspection Act, Public Law 92-367, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a program of inspection of dams throughout the United States.
- b. <u>Purpose of Inspection</u> The purpose of the inspection is to determine if the dam constitutes a hazard to human life or property.

### 1.2 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

- Description of Dam and Appurtenances Salt Run a. Reservoir Dam is a diaphragm earthfill embankment which is approximately 42 feet high and 355 feet long. The 65-foot wide spillway is located at the right abutment of the dam. Seepage control is provided by a concrete core wall which extends 9 feet below the original ground surface. Additional seepage control is provided by a compacted clay cutoff trench, which was constructed in 1940 and 1941, along the toe of the upstream slope. The outlet works for the dam are located approximately 60 feet right of the left abutment. A 30inch cast-iron pipe passes through the embankment at this location, running from the intake riser (approximately 100 feet upstream of the center of the dam) to the outlet head wall (approximately 100 feet downstream of the center of the dam).
- b. Location Salt Run Reservoir Dam is located in Portage Township, Cameron County, Pennsylvania. Emporium, Pennsylvania with a 1970 census population of 3074 is the nearest downstream town. PA Route 155 is located approximately 2 miles downstream (southwest) from the dam. A private access road from PA Route 155 is the only access way to the dam. The dam is located on Salt Run approximately 2 miles upstream of the confluence of Salt Run and Sinnemahoning Portage Creek.
- c. <u>Size Classification</u> The maximum height of the dam is 42 feet. The reservoir volume to the average top of dam is 200 acre-feet. Therefore, the dam is in the "Intermediate" size category.

- d. <u>Hazard Classification</u> Many lives would likely be lost in the event of a dam failure; the dam is therefore considered in the "High" hazard category.
- e. Ownership Salt Run Reservoir and Dam are owned by the Emporium Water Company, 22 West Fourth Street, Emporium, Pennsylvania 15834. Mr. John Sepiol is the superintendent of the water company.
- f. Purpose of the Dam The dam and reservoir are used for emergency water supply storage (i.e., to quench fires).
- g. Design and Construction History The existing facility was designed by Mr. H. B. Norton, Civil Engineer, of Ridgway, Pennsylvania. The dam was constructed by N. Applegate and Son, Contractors of Bradford, Pennsylvania. The dam construction was completed in the latter part of 1911.
- h. Normal Operational Procedures The lake level is maintained at approximately the same level year round. The spillway is uncontrolled and personnel from the water company visit the dam infrequently (averaging once a week) to check various routine maintenance items. The outlet pipe valve and sluice gate are operated periodically.

### 1.3 PERTINENT DATA

- a. <u>Drainage Area</u> The drainage area of Salt Run Reservoir Dam is 5.78 square miles.
- b. Discharge at Dam Site The maximum flow at the dam site through the spillway is unknown. The ungated spillway capacity at maximum pool El. 1249.9 feet is approximately 3650 c.f.s.
- c. Elevation [feet above Mean Sea Level (M.S.L.)] -

Design Top of Dam -	1250.0
Minimum Top of Dam -	1249.4
Average Top of Dam -	1249.9
Normal Pool -	1243.0
Streambed at Centerline of Dam -	1207.0
Maximum Tailwater -	Unknown

d. Reservoir (feet) -

Length	of	Maximum Pool -	2200
Length	of	Normal Pool -	1500

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e. Storage (acre-feet) -

At Spillway Crest (El. 1243.0 ft.) - 132 At Minimum Top of Dam (El. 1249.4 ft.) - 195 At Average Top of Dam (El. 1249.9 ft.) - 200

f. Reservoir Surface (acres) -

Average Top of Dam - 14 Spillway Crest - 7

g. Dam -

Type - Earthfill
Length (feet) - 420
Height (feet) - 42
Top Width (feet) - 20
Side Slopes - Upstream - 2H:1V
Downstream - 2H:1V

Impervious Core - Concrete core wall, 4.75 feet thick at the base and 1 foot thick at top; top of core wall is approximately 4 feet below crest of embankment.

Cutoff - In 1940 and 1941, a 4-foot wide compacted clay cutoff trench was constructed at the toe of the upstream slope. The base of the cutoff wall was founded in a "tight fire clay" and varied from 5 feet to 10 feet below the elevation of the upstream toe.

- h. <u>Diversion and Regulating Tunnel</u> None
- i. Spillway -

Type - Overflow weir
Length of Weir (feet) - 65
Crest Elevation (feet) - 1243.0
Gates - None
Downstream Channel - Concrete channel to toe of
dam; from the stilling pool,
the channel has a moderate
2% gradient and is lined with
in situ rock fragments and
cobbles.

j. Regulating Outlet - A 30-inch cast-iron outlet pipe is located approximately 60 feet right of the left abutment.

### SECTION 2 - ENGINEERING DATA

### 2.1 DESIGN

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Information reviewed for the preparation of this report included the Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Resources (PennDER) file for the dam and information obtained from the owner (interview with Mr. John Sepiol, Superintendent, Emporium Water Company).

Information contained in the PennDER file included:

- 1) "Report Upon the No. 3 Storage Dam of the Emporium Water Company," prepared by the Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania (predecessor of PennDER), dated 15 October 1915.
- Plan showing addition to embankment and spillway, dated December 1916.
- 3) Various inspection reports.
- 4) Various correspondence.
- 5) Various memorandums.
- 6) Various progress reports.
- Plan and section of core wall addition, dated June 1936.
- 8) 1939 application and permit for making repairs and improvements.
- 9) "Report Upon the Application of the Emporium Water Company," prepared by the Water and Power Resources Board (predecessor of PennDER), dated 21 August 1939.
- 10) Design drawings for the circa 1940 repairs and improvements.
- 11) Specifications for the repairs and improvements, dated June 1940.
- 12) Permits and applications for the drawdown of the reservoir.
- 13) Various photographs of the dam.

The last inspection of Salt Run Reservoir Dam was performed by Charles H. Zinn, Hydraulic Engineer, Division of Dams and Encroachments, PennDER, on 10 March 1965. No problems were reported at that time, and the dam was considered in "good" general appearance.

### 2.2 CONSTRUCTION

The dam was designed by H. B. Norton, Civil Engineer, Ridgway, Pennsylvania. The dam was constructed by N. Applegate and Son, Contractors, Bradford, Pennsylvania and was completed in the latter part of 1911. The modifications performed on the dam are presented as a part of the engineering data check list, Appendix B.

### 2.3 OPERATION

The operational characteristics of Salt Run Reservoir Dam were obtained by interviewing Mr. John Sepiol, Superintendent, Emporium Water Company. Other information concerning the operating equipment and details is shown on Plate 5 of this report.

### 2.4 EVALUATION

The readily available design, construction and operations information, and observations made during the field inspection are considered adequate for this Phase I Inspection Report. No observations made during the field inspection indicated concern for the validity of the information reviewed.

### 3.1 FINDINGS

- a. General The dam was inspected on 10 November 1978.

  The dam and appurtenant structures were in poor overall condition. Noteworthy deficiencies observed are described briefly in the following paragraphs. The complete visual inspection check list and field sketch are given in Appendix A.
- b. Dam Seepage was observed flowing from a soilrock contact zone in the downstream left hillside
  approximately 5 feet above and 15 feet left of the
  outlet pipe. The seepage extended approximately
  100 feet downstream from the outlet head wall
  along the soil-rock contact zone. The maximum
  (approximately 10 g.p.m.) flow of seepage was near
  the outlet head wall, and the rate of flow decreased
  with the distance downstream along the seepage
  outcrop line. Minor erosion is occurring on the
  left bank of the outlet channel as a result of
  this seepage.

A wet, marshy area extending from 160 feet to 200 feet left of the right abutment was observed at the toe of the embankment. The area is approximately 40-foot by 50-foot in plan view and is shown on the field sketch in Appendix A. This area may have resulted from ponding of surface water runoff, since the area is not properly graded for adequate drainage. Proper drainage should be provided, and the area should be observed for seepage from the dam.

Two animal burrows were observed in the embankment. The locations of these holes are shown on the field sketch in Appendix A. Both holes should be repaired, and a rodent control program should be implemented.

Erosion was observed in several areas on the embankment during the visual inspection. The eroded areas consist of an erosion channel on the downstream slope, the embankment crest near the junction of the embankment and the left spillway wall, and the downstream embankment along the left spillway training wall. These areas should be restored to their original elevation and reseeded to prevent future erosion. Erosion was also

observed along the upstream riprap near the left wing wall of the approach channel. The riprap at this location should be repaired to prevent future erosion. The approximate locations of all the eroded areas have been included on the field sketch in Appendix A.

c. Appurtenant Structures - The concrete intake structure is located approximately 100 feet upstream from the centerline of the dam. Minor spalling of the concrete has occurred on the edges of the structure. This spalling is not considered to present a problem at the present time, but it should be repaired as a part of routine maintenance in the future. Presently, access to the intake structure is attained by using a row boat available at the dam site.

The concrete in the spillway is in poor overall condition. Previously, some areas were repaired with gunite; however, the gunite has deteriorated and loosened, and should be repaired. Other areas of the concrete have spalled and cracked in the interim, and should be repaired.

The end of the right training wall of the spillway and the lower right channel slab are undermined. According to the design drawings, the downstream channel slab of the spillway was constructed on in situ or embankment materials. The downstream end of the slab was observed to be constructed on a hand-placed, hard shale, rock fragment foundation. No drainage outlets or filters (transition zones) are shown on the design drawings for the spillway slab. Therefore, the potential for undermining and failure of the slab exists as evidenced by the observed undermining of the end of the right side of the spillway. The undermining should be repaired soon.

- d. Reservoir Area No problems or unusual sedimentation were observed in the reservoir area.
- e. Downstream Channel No unusual conditions were observed downstream of the spillway channel. A large stilling pool was formed by erosion immediately downstream from the end of the spillway channel. This erosion is not considered to be a problem at present.

No homes are located along Salt Run from the dam to the confluence with Sinnemahoning Portage Creek 2 miles downstream. Approximately 100 homes are located along the next mile of Sinnemahoning Portage Creek after the confluence with Salt Run. The creek then flows through a portion of Emporium, Pennsylvania (1970 census population of 3074).

### SECTION 4 - OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

### 4.1 PROCEDURES

Operational procedures are generally discussed in paragraph 1.2.h.

There are no formal written procedures for reservoir operation or for emergency downstream evacuation in the event of impending catastrophe.

It is recommended that a formal emergency procedure be prepared and prominently displayed, and furnished to all personnel. This should include:

- How to operate the dam and reservoir during an emergency.
- Procedures for evaluating inflow during periods of emergency operation.
- Procedures for rapid drawdown of the reservoir under emergency conditions.
- 4) Who to notify, including public officials, in case evacuation from the downstream area is necessary.

In addition, the owner should assist public officials in developing an emergency evacuation plan for areas which will be inundated in the event of a dam failure or during periods of extremely heavy runoff.

### 4.2 MAINTENANCE OF DAM

Emporium Water Company is responsible for maintenance of the dam, reservoir, and appurtenant structures. Maintenance of the concrete surfaces and structures, and eroded areas of the embankment should be improved, as well as general maintenance of the dam.

### 4.3 MAINTENANCE OF OPERATING FACILITIES

Maintenance of the operating facilities should be improved. Frequent inspection, maintenance and repair of the facilities should be performed, and a record should be kept. A general mainte ance schedule and check list should be prepared for the maintenance personnel to avoid oversight of any feature.

### 4.4 DESCRIPTION OF ANY WARNING SYSTEM IN EFFECT

There is no warning system in the event of impending catastrophe. An emergency warning system should be installed, and emergency plans should be developed as recommended in paragraph 4.1.

### 4.5 EVALUATION OF OPERATIONAL ADEQUACY

The operational facilities are functional according to the owner. Overall, the inspection, maintenance, and repair of the facilities should be improved.

### SECTION 5 - HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC DATA

### 5.1 EVALUATION OF FEATURES

- a. <u>Design Data</u> No hydrologic or hydraulic design data was available for the preparation of this report. All calculations used in the analysis were generated during the course of this study.
- b. Experience Data According to a U.S. Army Corps of Engineer's report (circa 1942), the spillway discharge was 1900 c.f.s. during the flood of 17-20 July 1942.
- c. <u>Visual Observations</u> On the date of the inspection, 10 November 1978, no conditions were noted that would indicate the spillway would not operate satisfactorily in the event of a flood.
- d. Overtopping Potential The Salt Run Reservoir Dam is classified as a "High" hazard-"Intermediate" size dam requiring evaluation for a spillway design flood (SDF) equal to the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). The spillway consists of a rectangularshaped, concrete, overflow channel with a crest width of 67.1 feet. A 2.1-foot wide, walkway bridge pier is located near the center of the crest reducing the effective width of the spillway to 65.0 feet.

There is a small, water supply reservoir located approximately 3500 feet upstream of Salt Run Reservoir. The effects of the upstream reservoir were not considered in the hydrologic/hydraulic analysis for Salt Run Reservoir Dam, since the storage capabilities of the upstream reservoir are negligible when compared with the volume of runoff resulting from the storms considered in the analysis.

The hydrologic and hydraulic capabilities of the reservoir and spillway were evaluated by routing the PMF and ratios of the PMF through the reservoir with the aid of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers Flood Hydrograph Package, HEC-1. Both the PMF and the 1/2 PMF were found to overtop the dam by depths of 2.6 and 1.0 feet, respectively. The results of this analysis indicate that the reservoir and spillway are capable of passing a flood approximately equal to 37 percent of PMF without overtopping the dam.

- e. Spillway Adequacy The dam, as outlined in the above analysis, would be overtopped by the 1/2 PMF. The criteria for spillway adequacy determination requires an estimate of the likelihood of dam failure, and an estimate of the downstream damage increase during overtopping by 1/2 PMF conditions. Therefore, the following conditions were used as the limiting criteria which are likely to cause failure of this dam.
  - Depth of overtopping in excess of 1.0 foot.
  - 2) Duration of overtopping in excess of 1.5 hours.\*
  - 3) Approximate maximum velocity of overtopping in excess of 2 f.p.s.\*

The overtopping analysis of this dam yielded the following values.

- 1) 1.0 foot.
- 2) 3.3 hours.
- 3) 4.6 f.p.s.

Therefore, dam failure during the above 1/2 PMF conditions is likely to occur.

To assess the impact of the dam failure on the downstream area, the channel routing and dam breach options of the HEC-1 program were utilized. A flood equal to 1/2 PMF was routed through the reservoir and downstream channel for both of the following conditions:

- The dam would not be breached by 1/2 PMF.
- 2) The dam would be breached beginning when the reservoir stage reached an elevation of 1 foot above the crest of the dam.

<sup>\*</sup>These parameters will vary according to cover and material conditions of the dam crest.

The results of these two routings indicate that the water surface elevations in the downstream damage area, shown in Appendix D, would be increased and cause a significant increase in damage in the event of a dam failure by overtopping. Based on the above results, the spillway is classified as "seriously inadequate" according to the recommended criteria.

It should be noted that the hydrologic determinations presented in this Phase I Inspection Report are based upon the use of a Snyder's unit hydrograph developed from coefficients determined by the Baltimore District of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Due to the limited number of gaging stations available in this hydrologic region and the wide variation of watershed slopes, the Snyder's coefficients may yield results of limited accuracy for this watershed. As directed, a further refinement of these coefficients is beyond the scope of this Phase I investigation and, therefore, must be addressed by the dam owner's engineering consultant during the detailed investigation as suggested in the "Assessment of General Conditions."

In addition, the conclusions presented pertain to present conditions, and the effect of future development on the hydrology has not been considered.

### SECTION 6 - STRUCTURAL STABILITY

### 6.1 EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY

- a. Visual Observations No structural inadequacies of the embankment were noted during the visual inspection. The seepage flowing around the left abutment of the dam, however, may cause instability of the left hillside below the dam. Therefore, the left abutment seepage should be periodically measured to determine if the seepage quantity is increasing or the seepage is becoming turbid with time. Additionally, protection against erosion should be provided at this area.
- Design and Construction Data Calculations of b. embankment slope and foundation stability were not available for review. Given the age of the structure (the dam was built in 1911), it is doubtful that any calculations for design were ever performed. General experience with embankment slopes of heights, inclinations, materials (with the inclusion of a concrete core wall), and hydraulic conditions similar to those of the dam slopes indicates that these slopes could be shown to satisfy the stability requirements of the "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams." This inference is supported by empirical guidelines on stable slope inclinations given by the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation (1973) Design of Small Dams, 2nd ed., pp. 261-267. In view of the modest height and inclinations of the dam slopes, their history of satisfactory performance, and no indications of instability were observed during the field inspection of 10 November 1978; no further stability assessments of the embankment slopes are considered necessary for this Phase I Inspection Report.
- c. Operating Records No operational records are available for Salt Run Reservoir Dam. Operational procedures and information available do not indicate concern related to the structural stability of the dam.
- d. <u>Post-Construction Changes</u> The post-construction modifications presented in Appendix B do not adversely affect the structural stability of the dam.

e. Seismic Stability - The dam is located in Zone l on the "Seismic Zone Map of the Contiguous United States," Figure 1, page D-30, "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams." Seismic Zone l is considered a zone of very low seismic activity. Experience has shown that dams with adequate stability under static loading conditions will also have adequate stability under seismic loading conditions in such zones of low seismic activity. As indicated in paragraph 6.1.b., Salt Run Reservoir Dam could be shown to meet the stability requirements of the "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams." Therefore, further consideration of the seismic stability is not warranted for this Phase I Inspection Report.

### 7.1 DAM ASSESSMENT

a. Safety - There are no findings as a result of this inspection to indicate a detrimental assessment of the structural stability of the embankment, provided the dam is not overtopped by flood waters. The effect of the seepage flowing around the left abutment on the left hillside could not be assessed by this Phase I Inspection. Therefore, the left abutment seepage should be periodically measured as recommended in paragraph 7.2.

The spillway capacity was analyzed using the criteria presented in the "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams" and according to the procedures presented in paragraphs 5.1.d. and 5.1.e. The analysis determined that the spillway will pass approximately 37 percent of the PMF before the dam will be overtopped. Based upon this observation and others noted in Section 5, the spillway is considered "seriously inadequate." As a result of these analyses and observations, the dam is considered as an "unsafe"-"non-emergency" condition.

- b. Adequacy of Information The information available and the observations made during the field inspection are considered sufficient for this Phase I Inspection Report.
- c. <u>Urgency</u> The owner should immediately initiate further investigation, as discussed in paragraph 7.1.d.
- d. Necessity for Additional Data/Evaluation The hydraulic/hydrologic analysis performed in connection with this Phase I Inspection Report has indicated the need for additional spillway capacity. It is recommended that the owner of the dam immediately initiate an engineering study to develop recommendations for the reconstruction of the spillway to meet current design criteria. Additionally, the quantity and turbidity of the seepage from the left abutment hillside should be monitored and recorded. If conditions indicate the necessity, remedial measures should be taken.

### 7.2 RECOMMENDATIONS/REMEDIAL MEASURES

The inspection and review of information revealed certain items of work which should be performed immediately by the owner. These include:

- The owner should initiate an engineering study to develop recommendations for the reconstruction of the spillway to increase the capacity.
- The quantity and turbidity of the seepage from the left abutment hillside should be monitored and recorded. If conditions indicate the necessity, remedial action should be taken. Additionally, protection against erosion should be provided in this area.
- 3) Develop emergency operation procedures for the dam and reservoir, including:
  - a) How to operate the dam during an emergency.
  - b) Procedures for evaluating inflow during periods of emergency operation.
  - c) Procedures for rapid drawdown of the reservoir under emergency conditions.
  - d) Who to notify, including public officials, in case evacuation from the downstream area is necessary.
  - e) Provide around-the-clock surveillance during periods of high runoff.
  - f) Install a reliable flood warning system in all areas downstream of the dam which would be affected in the event of a failure of the dam.
  - g) Provide copies of the emergency procedures to all operational personnel and instruct the personnel on their use.
- 4) Repair the undermined area at the end of the right side of the spillway.

In addition, the owner should assist public officials in developing an emergency evacuation plan for areas which will be inundated in the event of a flood or dam failure.

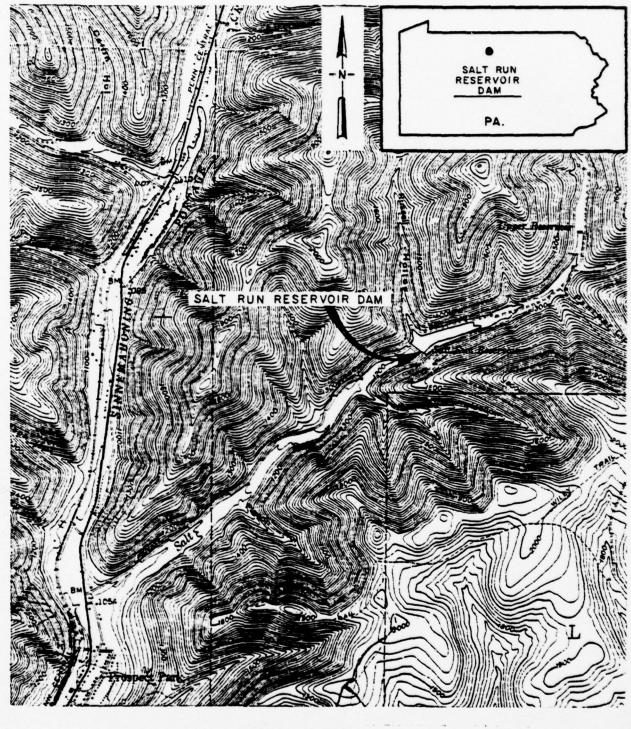
The inspection and review of information revealed other items of work which should be accomplished soon by the owner. These include:

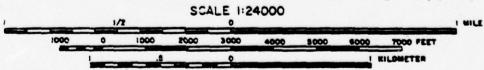
- Provide proper drainage for the wet, marshy area downstream from the dam and visually monitor the quantity and turbidity of all seepage from the dam.
- Repair the animal burrows in the dam and implement a rodent control program.
- 3) Repair all the eroded areas on the dam, including the area on the upstream slope, and reseed as necessary.

Additional items of work to be performed in the future by the owner include:

- Repair the spalled concrete on the intake structure.
- Develop and implement a maintenance schedule for all facilities.

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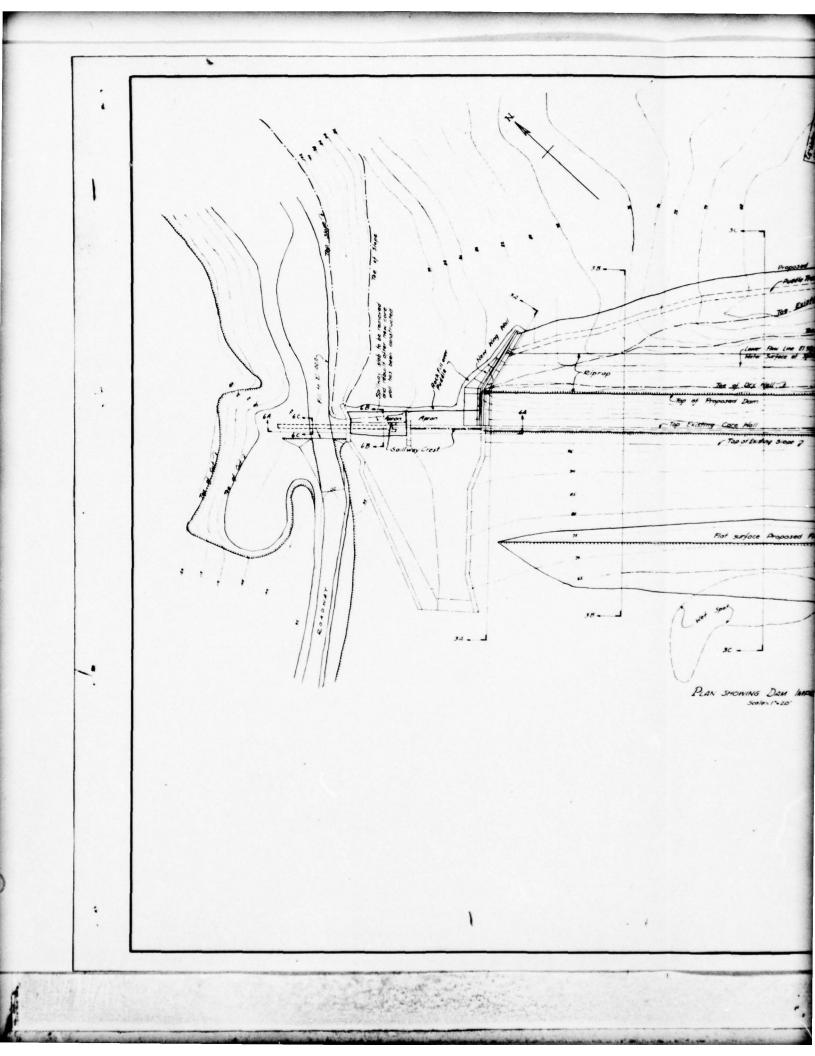


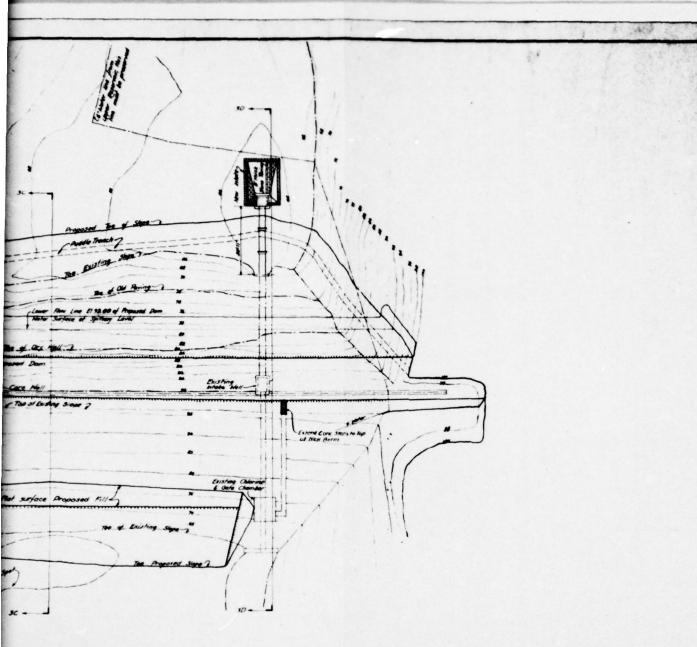
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PLATE 2 WATERSHED MAP
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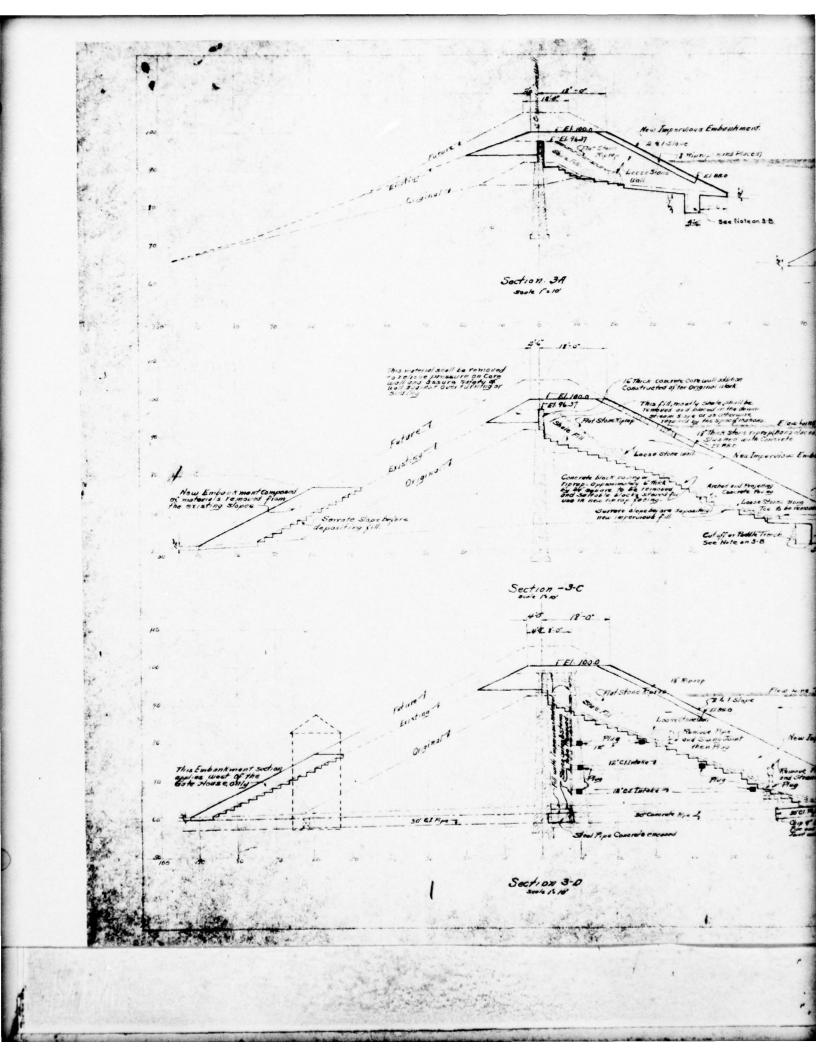


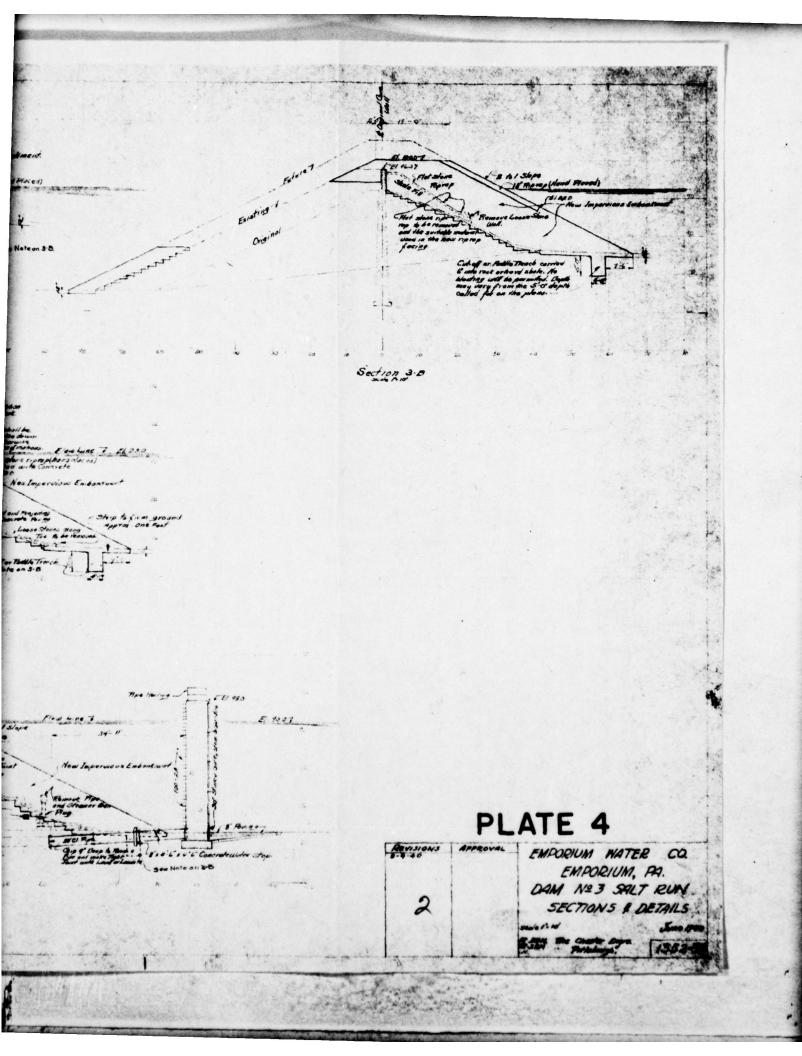


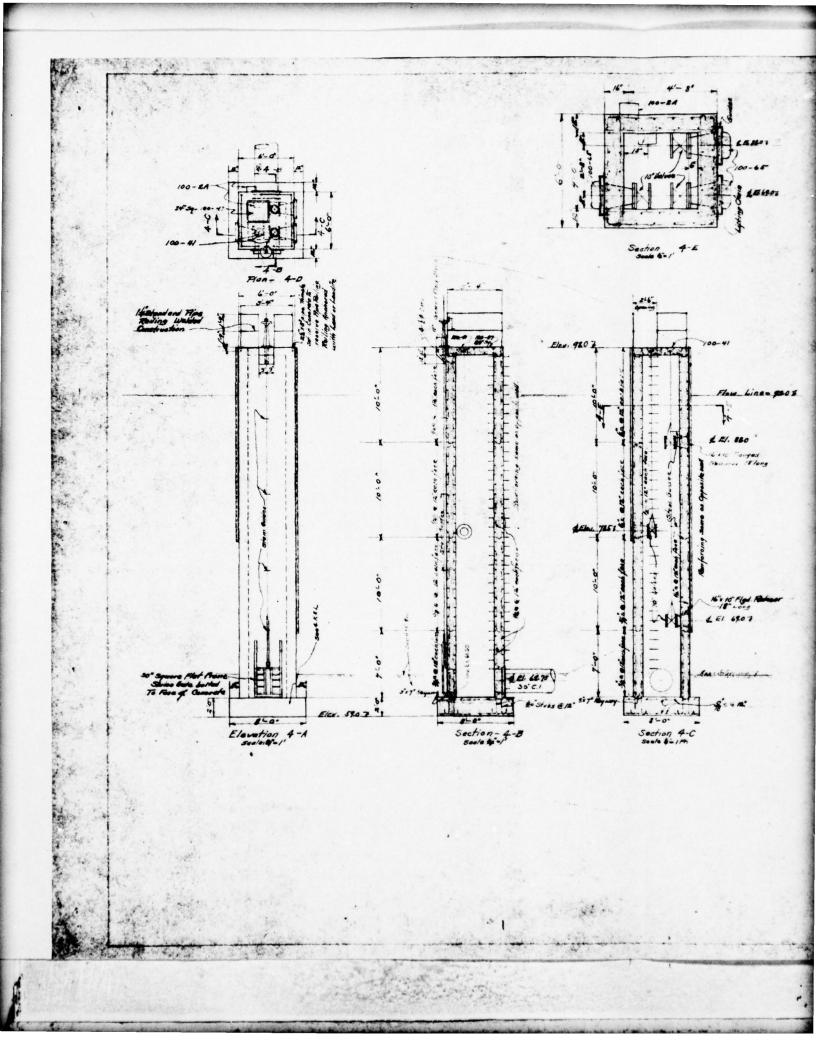
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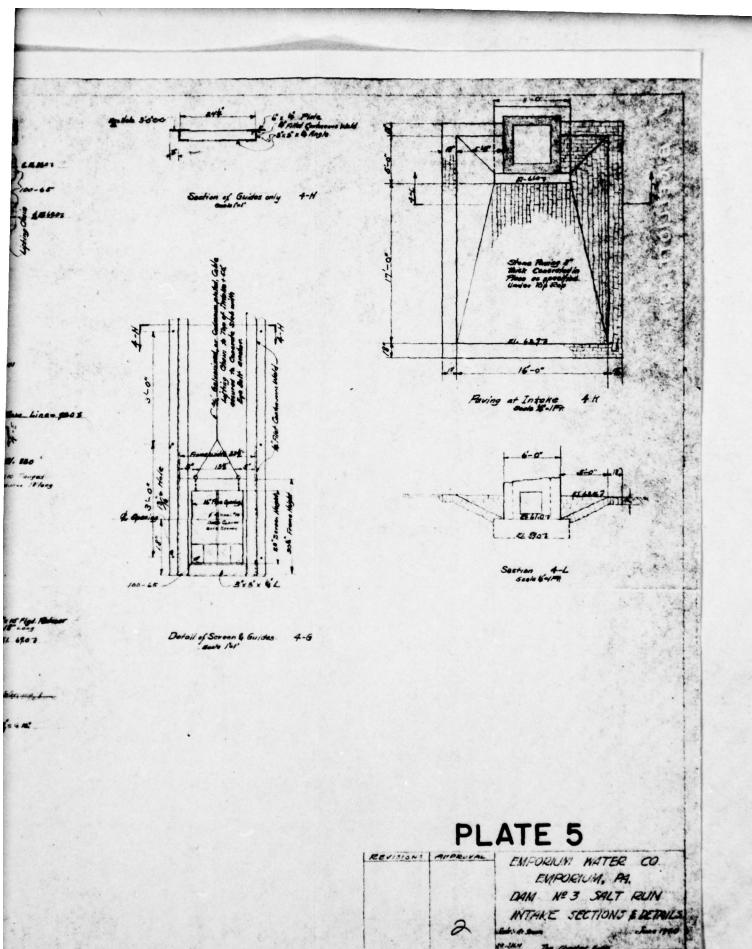
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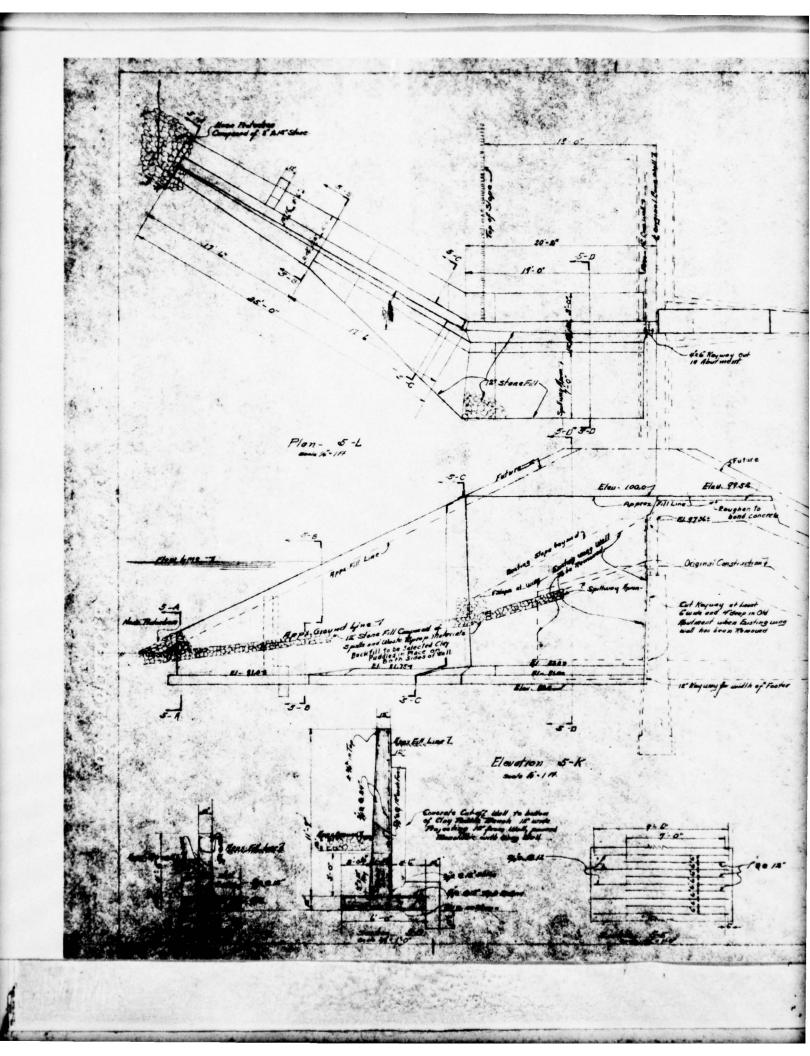


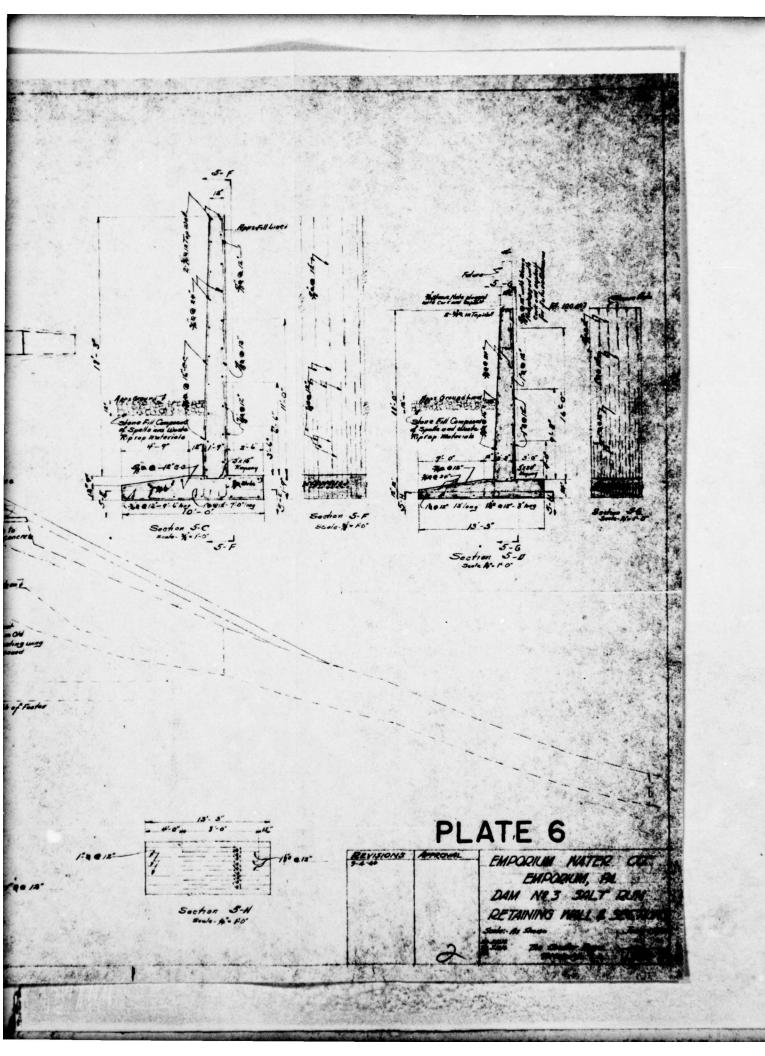


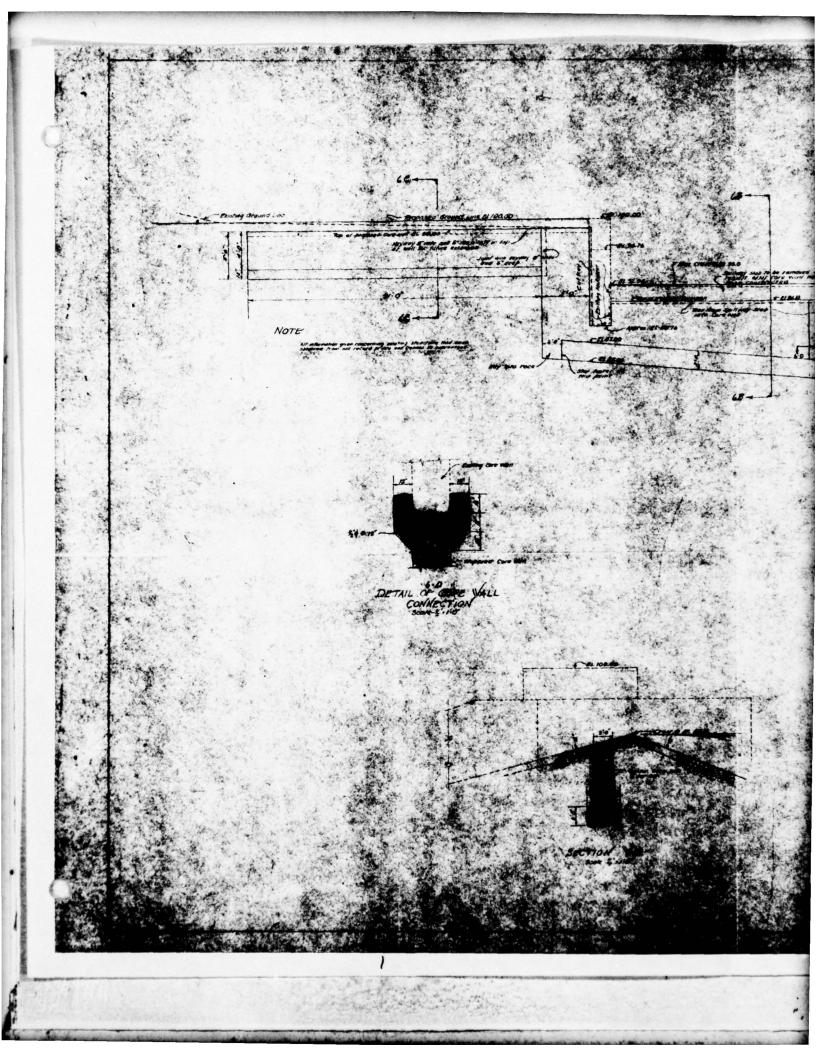


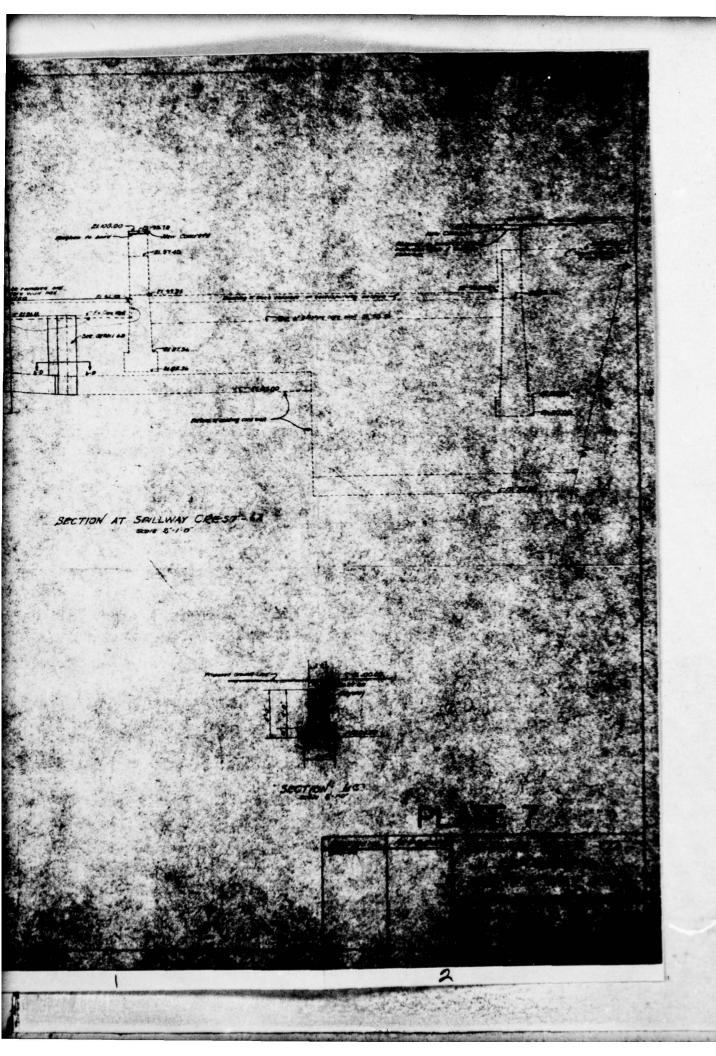
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### APPENDIX A

CHECK LIST - VISUAL INSPECTION AND FIELD SKETCH

Check List Visual Inspection Phase 1

Long. W 78°11.2' Coordinates Lat. N 41°32.4' PA State Name of Dam Salt Run Reservoir County Cameron

NDI # PA 00392 PennDER # 12-4

Temperature 50°F. Date Inspection 10 Nov. 1978 Weather Sunny, Calm Pool Blevation at Time of Inspection 1243.0 ft.\* M.S.L. Tailwater at Time of Inspection 1211.9 ft.\*M.S.L. \*Based on N.G.S. datum (all elevations were referenced to the pool elevation of 1243.0 ft. as indicated on the U.S.G.S. 7.5 minute topographic quadrangle sheet, Emporium, PA).

Inspection Personnel:

Michael Baker, Jr., Inc.:

James G. Ulinski Thomas W. Smith Rodney E. Holderbaum

Owner's Representatives:

John Sepiol, Superintendent Emporium Water Company

Recorder Rodney E. Holderbaum

CONCRETE/MASONRY DAMS (N/A)

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

NDI # PA 00392 VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS OBSERVATIONS

LEAKAGE

STRUCTURE TO ABUTMENT/EMBANKMENT JUNCTIONS

DRAINS

WATER PASSAGES

FOUNDATION

CONCRETE/MASONRY DAMS (N/A)

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

OBSERVATIONS VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

SURFACE CRACKS
CONCRETE SURFACES

STRUCTURAL CRACKING

VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT

MONOLITH JOINTS

CONSTRUCTION JOINTS

## EMBANKMENT

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

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OBSERVATIONS VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

SURFACE CRACKS

No surface cracks were observed.

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

CRACKING AT OR BEYOND UNUSUAL MOVEMENT OR THE TOE

No unusual movement was observed.

SLOUGHING OR EROBION OF EMBANKMENT AND ABUTMENT SLOPES

No sloughing of the embankment or abutment slopes was observed. An erosion channel 1.5 ft. wide by 0.25 ft. deep was observed approximately 250 ft. from the right abutment on the downstream slope.

This erosion channel should be repaired as a part of routine

maintenance of the dam.

The embankment crest should be restored to the proper elevation and reseeded.

> VERTICAL AND HORIZONTAL ALIGNMENT OF THE CREST

No problems noted in the horizontal alignment. The embankment crest is approximately 1.5 ft. low at the junction of the embankment and left

spillway wall.

RIPRAP FAILURES

The riprap at this location should be repaired Minor erosion is occurring at the junction of the upstream riprap and the left approach channel wing wall.

## EMBANKMENT

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

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REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS These holes should be repaired and a rodent control program should be implemented. Two animal burrows were observed in the embankment One is located approximately 165 ft. from the located approximately 270 ft. from the right abutembankment on the downstream slope. The other is right abutment and 15 ft. below the crest of the ment at the toe of the downstream slope. OBSERVATIONS VISUAL EXAMINATION OF ANIMAL BURROWS

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The embankment along the downstream spillway training wall should be raised approximately 6 in. and reseeded.

les, seepage is flowing around the left end of the left hillside approximately 5 ft. above and 15 ft. extends approximately 100 ft. downstream from the outlet head wall in the left hillside. The The seepage/groundwater flow is outletting crop line. A marshy area is located from 160 ft. to 200 ft. left of the right abutment extending from the toe of a berm at the downstream toe to diminishes with distance along the seepage outg.p.m.) near the outlet head wall and the flow at a soil-rock contact zone in the downstream volume of flow is greatest (approximately 10 left of the outlet pipe. This seepage line approximately 50 ft. downstream. dam. ANY NOTICEABLE SEEPAGE

in 1939 to decrease the volume of flow. Minor erosion is occurring along the outlet channel at this seepage line; observe erosion and seepage as a part of future inspections. The marshy area near the center of the dam is not properly graded to allow drainage of surface water; provide proper drainage and observe in the future.

STAFF GAGE AND RECORDER

None

DRAINS

No drains were observed.

# OUTLET WORKS

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

	OBSERVATIONS	30-in. cast-iron outlet part abutment of dam; no excess of the pipe (at the exit)
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REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

INTAKE STRUCTURE	Concrete intake structure is located approximately 100 ft. upstream from centerline of dam. Minor spalling has occurred on the edges of the structure; no other deterioration was observed.	Spalling of concrete does not represent a problem at this time.
OUTLET STRUCTURE	Stone head wall, at outlet, is in fair condition; head wall is covered with vegetation.	Vegetation at outlet structure does not restrict flow from outlet pipe.
OUTLET CHANNEL	No debris or vegetation is constricting the outlet channel. Some siltation has occurred in the channel near the outlet structure. The channel joins the main stream channel a short distance downstream. Minor erosion on left hillside along channel.	Silt should be removed periodically.
EMERGENCY GATE	30-in. outlet is operated manually from intake tower.	Owner indicated that the emergency gate is operated periodically; it should be operated annually as part of an annual inspection program.

# UNGATED SPILLWAY

SALT RUN RESERVOIR Name of Dam:

NDI # PA 00392

VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

CONCRETE WEIR

The 65-ft. long concrete weir is in poor condition. It has been patched with gunite which is now cracked and spalled in numerous locations.

OBSERVATIONS

The concrete should be repaired and inspected periodically.

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

APPROACH CHANNEL

No debris, restrictive vegetation or erosion was noted. Channel is earth-lined.

DISCHARGE CHANNEL

Consists of a 106-ft. long concrete channel exiting into a natural stilling basin. The concrete in the channel and retaining walls is in poor condition; cracking and spalling has taken place at several locations.

The channel and retaining walls were

sections repaired have deteriorated repaired with gunite; however, the

and should be repaired.

The bridge is not a serious restric-tion to high flows passing through the spillway.

BRIDGE AND PIERS

crest. One 2.1-ft. wide concrete pier is located near the center of the bridge. The clearance between the spillway crest and bridge deck is about 7.0 ft. A wooden, foot bridge is located above the spillway

exists. The undermining at the right present design, potential for under-mining and failure of the slab Proper drainage outlets and filters have not been provided. With the end should be repaired. situ or embankment materials. The downstream end of the spillway channel slab rests on a constructed shale foundation. The end of the right spillway

SPILLWAY FOUNDATION

The spillway crest is constructed on a concrete core wall. The spillway channel slab rests on in

training wall and channel slab is undermined.

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR  NDI # PA 00392  VISUAL EXAMINATION OF OBSENVATIONS  CONCRETE SILL	APPROACH CHANNEL	DISCHARGE CHANNEL
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GATES AND OPERATION EQUIPMENT

BRIDGE AND PIERS

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ON (N/A)	REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS					
INSTRUMENTATION (N/A)	OBSERVATIONS	None	None observed	None observed	None observed	N/A
Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR NDI # PA 00392	VISUAL EXAMINATION	MONUMENTATION/SURVEYS	OBSERVATION WELLS	WRIRS	Piezometers	OTHER

## RESERVOIR

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

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OBSERVATIONS VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

SLOPES

Reservoir slopes are steep and heavily wooded; no slides or slide scarps were observed on the existing slopes.

SEDIMENTATION

No unusual sedimentation was observed.

Reservior has been drawn down periodically to remove sediment.

# DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF OBSERVATIONS

CONDITION (OBSTRUCTIONS, DEBRIS, ETC.)

The downstream channel is relatively free of debris, vegetation or other obstructions.

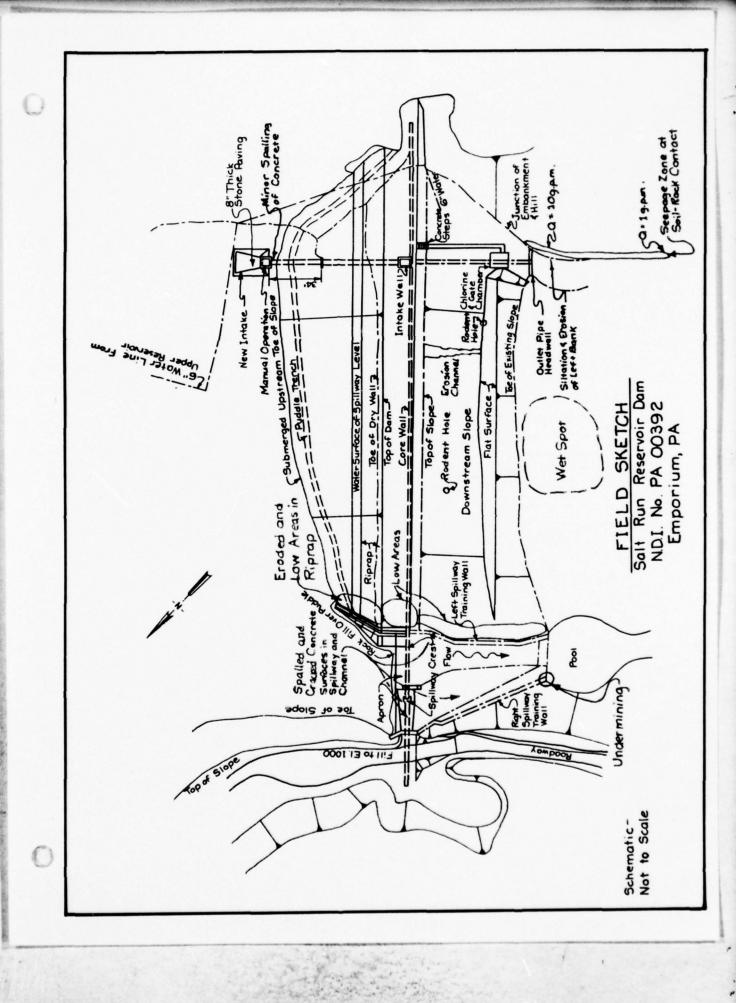
REMARKS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

SLOPES

The gradient of the downstream channel is moderate to steep averaging about 2%. The side slopes are heavily forested and stable.

APPROXIMATE NO. OF HOMES AND POPULATION

Salt Run empties into Sinnemahoning Portage Creek about 2 mi. below the dam; no homes are located along this reach of the stream. From this point to the Emporium corporate limit (approx. 1 mi. downstream) the floodplain is heavily populated (100 homes ±); the population of the Borough of Emporium is 3074 (1970 census).



### APPENDIX B

CHECK LIST - ENGINEERING DATA

# Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR CHECK LIST

PA 00392 # ION

REMARKS

See Plate 3 of this report. PLAN OF DAM See Plate 1 of this report. REGIONAL VICINITY MAP The dam was designed by Mr. H. B. Norton, Civil Engineer, of Ridgeway, PA; constructed by N. Applegate and Son, Contractors of Bradford; and was completed in the latter part of 1911. CONSTRUCTION HISTORY

See Plate 4 of this report. TYPICAL SECTIONS OF DAM

HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC DATA No information available.

OUTLETS - PLAN,

DETAILS

CONSTRAINTS See Plates 4 and 5 of this report.

No information was available. - DISCHARGE RATINGS

No information was available. RAINFALL/RESERVOIR RECORDS

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

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REMARKS

DESIGN REPORTS None

GEOLOGY REPORTS None

DESIGN COMPUTATIONS, No information was available.
HYDROLOGY & HYDRAULICS AND
DAM STABILITY

A seepage weir, located near the left end of the dam, was monitored from 1916 to spring 1917 and then occasionally from 1919 until 1939. In 1939, the left abutment area, which was seeping, was grouted to reduce the seepage. The weir was abandoned subsequent to grouting. SEEPAGE STUDIES

MATERIALS INVESTIGATIONS
BORING RECORDS
LABORATORY
FIELD

POST-CONSTRUCTION SURVEYS OF DAM None

BORROW SOURCES No information was available.

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

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REMARKS

None, previous seepage weir was destroyed. MONITORING SYSTEMS

None was available. HIGH POOL RECORDS

A "Report Upon the No. 3 Storage Dam of the Emporium Water Company" dated 15 October 1915 and prepared by the Water Supply Commission of Pennsylvania is available in the PennDER file for this dam. Subsequent to the 1915 report, 16 inspection reports are available in the PennDER file for this dam. POST-CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING STUDIES AND REPORTS

PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR FAILURE OF DAM DESCRIPTION

In 1913, two years after construction, a portion of the downstream embankment overlying a 6-in. water supply pipe failed. The 6-in. line was rerouted around the dam and the failure repaired.

None was available MAINTENANCE OPERATION RECORDS

Name of Dam: SALT RUN RESERVOIR

NDI # PA 00392

ITEM

REMARKS

SPILLWAY PLAN

See Plates 6 and 7 of this report.

SECTIONS

DETAILS

OPERATING EQUIPMENT See Plate 5 of this report. PLANS & DETAILS

Downstream slope of the embankment changed from 1.5H:1V to 2H:1V, and the crest width was increased from 4 ft. to 12 ft. A core wall was constructed under the spillway prior to the The height of the embankment was increased to 4 ft. widening and repaving of the spillway. above the spillway crest. MODIFICATIONS 1917

1934 and 1935 - Additional 18 in. of material placed on the crest and upstream portion of the embankment.

1936 The core wall was raised 4 ft. to the top of the dam.

- Raised the spillway walls approximately 2 ft. Rebuilt the right spillway training wall. The left abutment area was grouted to reduce seepage. - 4-ft. wide cut off trench extending into the left abutment constructed all along the upstream toe of the embankment. Intake tower constructed approximately 100 ft. upstream from the center of the dam. Additional fill placed on the upstream slope to change it to a 2H:1V slope. The upstream face was lined with riprap. 1940 and 1941

1948 - Additional material placed on the embankment crest to restore proper elevation.

1959 - The reservoir was drawn down, and the silt deposition removed.

1973 - The reservoir was drawn down, and the silt deposition removed.

### CHECK LIST HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC DATA ENGINEERING DATA

DRAINAGE AREA CHARACTERISTICS: 5.78 sq.mi. (primarily wooded)
ELEVATION TOP NORMAL POOL (STORAGE CAPACITY): 1243.0 ft. (132 acft.)
ELEVATION MINIMUM TOP OF DAM (STORAGE CAPACITY): 1249.4 ft. (195 acft.)
ELEVATION MAXIMUM DESIGN POOL: Unknown
ELEVATION TOP DAM: 1249.4 ft. (minimum elevation), 1249.9 ft. (average elevation)
CREST: Principal Spillway
a. Elevation 1243.0 ft. b. Type Overflow spillway c. Width 65 ft. d. Length 106 ft. e. Location Spillover At right abutment f. Number and Type of Gates N/A
OUTLET WORKS: 30-in. cast-iron pipe
a. Type 30 in. cast-iron pipe
b. Location Travels through embankment approx. 60-ft. from left abutment
c. Entrance inverts 1181.5 ft.
d. Exit inverts 1208.1 ft.
e. Emergency draindown facilities 30-in. hand-operated sluice gate and 30-in. blow-off pipe
HYDROMETEOROLOGICAL GAGES: Not Applicable
a. Type
b. Location
c. Records
MAXIMUM NON-DAMAGING DISCHARGE Unknown

APPENDIX C

**PHOTOGRAPHS** 

#### DETAILED PHOTOGRAPH DESCRIPTIONS

Overall View of Dam
Top - View from Right Hillside Toward Dam and Spillway
Bottom - View from Left Hillside Toward Dam

Photo 1 - Upstream View of Spillway

Photo 2 - Downstream View of Spillway

Photo 3 - View of Upstream Slope (Intake Riser at Left-Center of Photo)

Photo 4 - Close-Up View of Intake Riser

Photo 5 - View of Outlet Pipe and Head Wall (Ruler in center of photo shows the location of the seepage line along the left hillside)

Photo 6 - View of Right End of Spillway Showing Undermining

Note: Photographs were taken on 10 November 1978.

### SALT RUN RESERVOIR DAM



PHOTO 1. Upstream View of Spillway

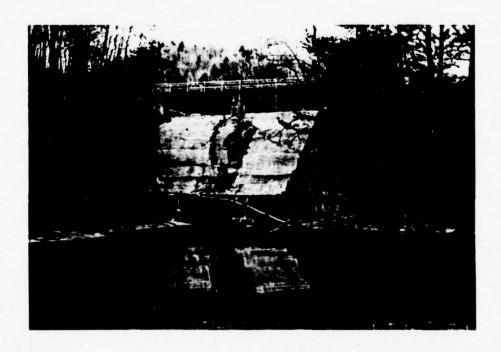


PHOTO 2. Downstream View of Spillway

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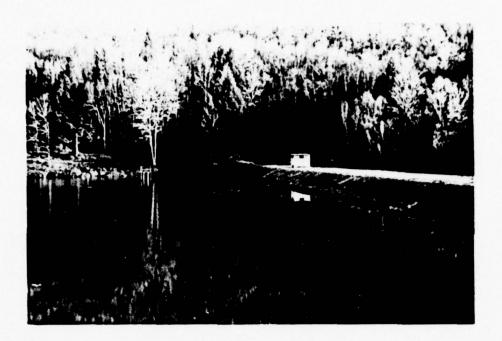


PHOTO 3. View of Upstream Slope (Intake Riser at Left-Center of Photo)

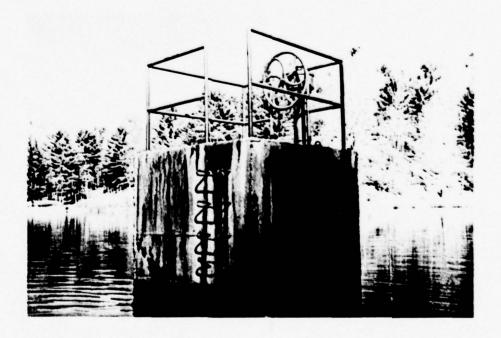


PHOTO 4. Close-Up View of Intake Riser

### **SALT RUN RESERVOIR DAM**



PHOTO 5. View of Outlet Pipe and Head Wall



PHOTO 6. View of Right End of Spillway Showing Undermining

### APPENDIX D

HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS

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Salt Run Reservoir Sheet No. 2

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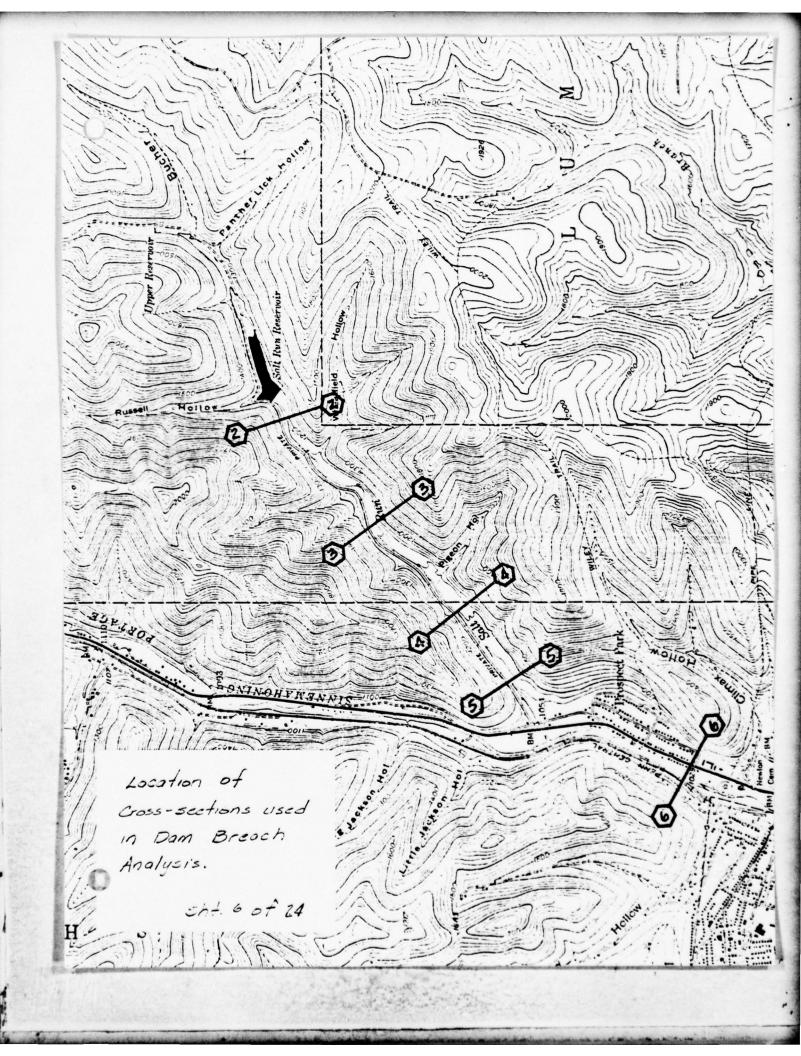
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MICHAEL BAKER, JR., INC.

Subject Salt Run Reservoir S.O. No. MICHAEL BAKER, JR., INC. Dam Breach Data Shoot No. 5 of 24 THE BAKER ENGINEERS Box 280 Computed by REH Checked by Dote 2-13-79 Beaver, Pa. 15009 Breach Parameters earth dam > HD & BRWID & 3HD 4D5 42 ft. 21 - BRWID & 126 Use BRWID = 100 feet Assume Trapezoidal breach with == 125 Assume failure time = 10 hours (very erosive material) Begin for lune when water level reaches approx le foot above on mum top of dam - velocities of this point will be sufficient to cause enosion of the dam crost. Cross-sections for downstream channel routing are shown on following page



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APPENDIX E

REGIONAL GEOLOGY

### SALT RUN RESERVOIR DAM NDI NO. PA 00392, PennDER NO. 12-4

### REGIONAL GEOLOGY

Salt Run Reservoir is located in the unglaciated section of the Appalachian Plateaus physiographic province. The bedrock units in the lower portion of the valley of Salt Run are members of the Upper Devonian Catskill formation. The units are characteristically red and brown sandstones and shales, which can be seen as outcrops at scattered locations on the steep slopes in the dam and reservoir area.

Structurally, it can be assumed that the bedrock dips only slightly since the reservoir is located on or near the axis of the Sabinsville Anticline. Although there appears to be no major deformation or faulting in the immediate area of the reservoir, information from the Pennsylvania Geologic Survey shows a strike fault about 6 miles northwest of the reservoir, near the McKean County line. Since the strike of the fault parallels the strike of the Sabinsville Anticline, it can be safety assumed that this fault does not extend into the reservoir area.

The steep slopes surrounding the reservoir are blanketed with a thin cover of residual Allegheny-Dekalb soils. However, observations made by engineers during dam improvements indicate the alluvial soils in the base of the dam are "loose rock, sand, gravel and a small amount of clay and appeared to be very porous materials." This material is apparently 5 to 10 feet thick and underlain by "impervious clay and shale."



# **LEGEND**

## DEVONIAN **UPPER**

#### WESTERN PENNSYLVANIA



Oswayo Formation

Oswayo Formation (freenish gray to gray shales, siltstones and sand-stones becoming increasingly shale worstward, considered equivalent to type Onesiao, Riceville Formation Dr in Eric and Crawford Constiers, probably not distinguishable north of Corry.



Cattaraugus Formation

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Red, gray and brown shele and medition
with the proportion of red decreasing westward, includes Venango mads of drillers
and Salamanco meditione and conflomerate; nome limestone in Crawford and Eric
counties.



Conneaut Group

Alternating gray, brown, greenish and purplish shales and siltstones; includes "pink rock" of drillers and "Chemung" and "Grard" Formations of northwest-ern Pennsylvania.



Canadaway Formation

Alternating brown shales and sandstones; includes "Portage" Formation of north-western Pennsylvania.



Oswayo Formation

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Roomish and greenish gray, fine and medium grained sandstones with some shales and sattleted calcureous lenses; includes red shales which become more sumerous restsward. Relation to type Oswayo not proved.

CENTRAL AND EASTERN PENNSYLVANIA



Catskill Formation

Catchill Folliation: Chiefly red to brownish shales and sand-stones, includes gray and greenish sand-stone tongues named Elk Mountain, Honesdale, Shohola, and Delaware River in the east.



Marine beds

Gray to olive brown shales, graywackes, and sandstones, contains "Chemung" beds and "Portage" beds including Burket, Brallier, Harrell, and Trimmers Rock; Tully Limestone at base.





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Hamilton Group

Mahantango Formation

Brown to olive shale with interbedded sandstones which are dominant in places (Montebello), highly fossilferous in upper part; contains "Centerfield coral bed" in eastern Pennsylvania.



Black, fissile, carbonaceous shale with thick, brown sandstone (Turkey Ridge) in parts of central Pennsylvania.



Onondaga Formation
Greenish Sur, thin bedded shale and dark blue to black, medium bedded limestone with shale predominant in most places; includes Selinsgrove Limestone and Need, more Shale in central Pennsylvania and Buttermitk Falls Limestone and Esopus Shale in easternmost Pennsylvania; in Lehigh Gap area includes Palmerton Sandstone and Bowmanstown Chert.





Oriskany Formation

While to brown, fine to course grained, partly calcurous, locally conglomeratic, fossilferons sandstone (Ridgeley) at the top; dark gray, cheety truestone with some interbedded shales and sandstones below (Striver).



**Helderberg Formation** 

Heigerberg Formation

Durk gray, calcaverous, thin bedded shale
(Mandata) at the top, equivalent to Nort

Even Shale and Revard Limestone in the

cast, dark gray, cherty, thin bedded,

fossiliferous limestone (New Scotland)

with some local sandstones in the middle,

and, at the base, dark gray, medium to

thick bedded, crystalline limestone

(Cocymnus), sandy and shaly in places with

some chert nodules.