

SUSQUEHANNA RIVER BASIN

EAST BRANCH OF TUNKHANNOCK CREEK, SUSQUEHANNA COUNTY

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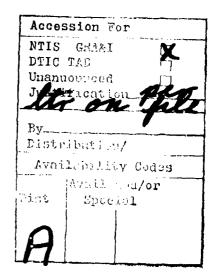
ROSS DAM

NDI ID No. PA-00978 DER ID No. 58-134

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PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM



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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, DC 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 observatins of field conditions at the time of inspection along with data evailable to the inspection team.

It is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and constantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evoluntionary in uature. 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 studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition, and the downstream damage potential.

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BRIEF ASSESSMENT OF GENERAL CONDITION AND RECOMMENDED ACTION

Name of Dam:

Ross Dam NDI ID NO. PA 00978 DER ID NO. 58-104

Size:

Small (20.7 feet high; 70-acre-feet)

Hazard Classification: Significant

Owners:Bruce E. & Nancy W. RossVillage RoadGreen Village, New Jersey 07935

State Located: Pennsylvania

County Located: Susquehanna

Stream: East Branch of Tunkhannock Creek

Date of Inspection: 25 March 1981

"The visual inspection and review of available design and construction data indicate that Ross Dam is in fair condition. The deteriorated condition of the spillway ways and the adjacent low areas of the embankment are the primary deficiencies which require maintenance work to assure the operational safety of this facility. In accordance with the recommended guidelines, the spillway design flood (SDF) for this facility is in the range of the 100 year flood to the 1/2 PMF. Based on the size of this dam and the degree of downstream hezard, the selected SDF is the 100 year flood.

- The hydrologic and hydraulic computations indicate that the combination of reservoir storage and spillway discharge capacity will pass the SDF (100 year flood) prior to overtopping the embankment. Therefore, in accordance with the criteria outlined and evaluated in Section 5.5 of this report, the spillway for Ross Dam is considered to be adequate.

The following recommendations should be implemented by the owner without delay:

a. Necessary remedial measures should be implemented under the guidance of a qualified engineer to repair the deteriorated spillway walls and fill in the adjacent low areas of the embankment.

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b. The control rod for the outlet works slide gate control should be repaired prior to maintaining a permanent pool.

c. Remove brush from embankment.

d. The pipes on the spillway crest should be removed.

e. A formal surveillance and downstream emergency warning system should be developed for use during periods of heavy or prolonged precipitation.

f. An operation and maintenance manual or plan should be prepared for use as a guide in the operation and maintenance of the dam during normal and emergency conditions.

g. A schedule of regular inspection by a qualified engineer should be developed.

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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY BALTIMORE DISTRICT, CORPS OF ENGINEERS

JAMES W. PECK Colonel, Corps of Engineers Commander and District Engineer

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SECTION 1

PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General

a. <u>Authority</u>. 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 non-federal dams throughout the United States.

b. <u>Purpose</u>. The purpose of this inspection is to determine if the dam constitutes a hazard to human life and property.

1.2 Description of Project.

a. Description of Dam and Appurtenances. Ross Dam is an earthfill structure approximately 20.7 feet high and 286 feet in length (including spillway). The spillway is an uncontrolled concrete ogee weir located near the right abutment, and has a length of 35 feet between two concrete walls. A concrete stilling basin is located immediately downstream of the spillway weir. The outlet works consist of a 12 inch corrugated metal conduit with a slide gate control at the intake.

- b. Location: Herrick Township, Susquehanna County, Pa. U.S.G.S. Quadrangle - Clifford, Pa. Latitude 41° 44.3'; Longitude 75° 33.7' Refer to Plates I & II, App. E
- c. Size Classification: Small: Height-20.7 feet, Storage-70 acre feet

- d. Hazard Classification: Significant (Refer to Section 3.1.e)
- e. <u>Ownership</u>: Bruce E. & Nancy W. Ross Village Road Green Village, New Jersey 07935
- f. Furpose: Future Land Development
- g. Design and Construction History:

The dam was designed by Mr. L. F. Burlein, P.E., Honesdale, Pa.

Construction was completed in November 1974.

A final inspection by PennDER on 9 December 1974 found the dam to have been constructed in a generally satisfactory manner; however, several items were noted for correction. The primary items noted included a need for riprap in the wasteway channel, a need to remove the fishscreen posts located across the spillway, and a need to get proper compaction of the backfill behind the spillway retaining walls. There is no evidence that the owner ever corrected these items.

h. Normal Operating Procedure

At the present time, the outlet works gate control is left in an op a position and the lake is essentially drained except during periods of heavy rainfall. Inflow in excess of the outlet works capacity is stored until reaching the spillway crest. The excess will then flow over the uncontrolled ogee weir.

1.3 Pertinent Data

NOTE: Elevations are based on an assumed elevation of 1820.0 for the invert of the intake pipe. This datum was inferred from the elevations shown on the U.S.G.S. quad sheet (Plate E-II). The elevations shown on the design drawings are based on some other datum.

a. Drainage Area (square miles)

From files:	0.85
Computed for this report:	0.85
Use :	0.85

b. Discharge at Damsite (cubic feet per second)

Maximum known flood	Unknown
Outlet works with maximum pool (El. 1836.6)	8
Spillway with maximum pool (E1. 1836.6)	2,000

c. Elevations (feet above mean sea level)

Top of Dam

Design unknown Existing (Field) 1836.6

Normal Pool

1820.0

		1820.0
	Spillway Crest	1830.0
	Outlet Works	
	Upstream invert	1820.0
	Downstream invert	1815.9
	Streambed at toe	1815.9
d.	Reservoir Length (feet)	
	Normal pool (E1. 1820.0) Spillway crest (E1. 1830.0) Maximum pool (E1. 1836.6)	0 1,200 2,200
e.	Storage (acre-feet)	
	Normal pool (E1. 1820.0) Spillway crest (E1. 1830.0) Maximum pool (E1. 1836.6)	0 13 70
f.	<u>Reservoir Surface (acres)</u>	
	Normal pool (El. 1820.0) Spillway crest (El. 1830.0) Maximum pool (El. 1836.6)	0 4 15
8.	Dam	
	Note: Refer to plates in Appendix E and sections.	for plans
	Туре	Homogeneous earthfill
	Length	286 feet (including spillway)
	Top Width	16.5 feet
	Height	20.7 feet
	Side Slopes	
	Upstream	lV:2.5H (exist.); lV:3H (design)
	Downstream	1V:2H (exist.); 1V:2.5H (design)
	Zoning	None

	Cutoff	Trapezoidal trench 4 feet deep, 8 feet wide bottom
	Grouting	None
h.	Outlet Works.	
	Туре	18 inch (Design) 12 inch (Existing)
	Closure	Slide gate mounted on upstream end.
i.	Spillway	
	Туре	Concrete ogee weir
	Location	Near right abutment
	Length	35 feet (gross) 31.7 feet (effective)
	Crest Elevation	1830.0 ms1
	Freeboard	6.6 feet
	Approach Channel	Reservoir
	Downstream Channel	Earth, cut in natural ground; dike on left

SECTION 2

ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 Design.

The available data for Ross Dam consist of files provided by PennDER. Information available includes a permit application report, dated 27 August 1970, with a general description of the facility, PennDER inspection reports and various related correspondence. Specifications and drawings providing cross-sections, profiles and details of the dam are also available.

2.2 Construction.

Information concerning construction of the dam is limited to the correspondence contained in the PennDER files which indicated that the dam was built in general accordance with the plans and specifications.

2.3 Operation.

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No formal records of operation or maintenance exist. The owner currently keeps the lake drawn down, with the exception of periods of heavy rainfall when inflow exceeds the outlet works capacity.

2.4 Evaluation.

a. <u>Availability</u>. All available written information was contained in the permit files provided by PennDER.

b. <u>Adequacy</u>. The available data, including that collected during the recent detailed visual inspection, are considered to be adequate to make a reasonable assessment of the dam.

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SECTION 3

VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Observations

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a. <u>General</u>. The overall appearance and general condition of Ross Dam is fair. Noteworthy deficiencies are described below. The visual inspection checklist and field sketch are provided in Appendix A. Photographs taken during the inspection are reproduced in Appendix C.

On the day of the inspection, no water was impounded and all inflow was discharging through the outlet works. The owner was not present during the inspection; however, his son, who lives nearby, was interviewed. He stated that no water is stored in the reservoir except briefly when the inflow exceeds the capacity of the outlet works. Mr. John Chernesky of PennDER was present during the inspection.

b. Embankment. The 16.5 foot wide embankment crest is approximately four feet higher than originally designed. The low point is located adjacent to the left spillway wall. The embankment is actually lower than the top of the wall at this point; however, flow is prevented from passing behind the spillway wall by a seepage cutoff wall which is equal in height to the spillway wall. According to design drawings, the seepage cutoff wall extends nine feet into the embankment. The horizontal alignment of the crest is good. Small trees and brush are growing on the upstream face above the spillway crest elevation. There is no riprap on the upstream face, although it was specified in the design drawings. No sloughing is evident on any portion of the embankment. The upstream slope is 1V:2.5H except near the toe where the slope flattens to 1V:4H. The downstream slope is 1V:2H. The embankment is reported to contain a toe drain with a discharge pipe through the outlet conduit headwall. This pipe was not found.

c. <u>Appurtenant Structures</u>. The spillway consists of a concrete ogee overflow weir with a concrete stilling basin and concrete walls. The walls extend 17 feet upstream and downstream of the weir. Ten steel pipes, 4 inches in diameter, are spaced across the crest of the weir. The spillway walls are severely cracked and spalled in several places. The seepage cutoff walls are broken at their junction with the spillway walls. The approach to the spillway is the reservoir and there are no obstructions. Downstream of the stilling basin the channel is cut in earth. An earth dike along the left side of the discharge channel protects the downstream face of the embankment from spillway flows. Approximately 200 feet downstream of the weir, the channel narrows to 12 feet in width and bends sharply to the left to join the original streambed. There is no erosion protection in the bottom or on the sides of the channel.

The outlet works appears to have been constructed in general accordance with the plans shown in Appendix E except that the outlet conduit is only 12 inches in diameter. The slide gate is in the open position. The control rod for this gate extends to the crest of the dam along the upstream slope. Although supported in several locations along its length, the control rod is severely bent in two locations below the spillway crest. The cause of the deformation is reported to be ice forces. In this present condition the gate is essentially inoperable. The 12 inch corrugated metal conduit and the outlet structure are in good condition. The discharge channel is the original streambed with trees and brush along the banks.

d. <u>Reservoir Area</u>. The reservoir slopes are partially wooded and flat. There is no residential development on the reservoir slopes.

e. Downstream Channel. The dam is located on the East Branch of Tunkhannock Creek. The initial 2,500 feet of channel below the dam are confined with moderate side slopes and a narrow floodplain. The floodplain increases slightly in width for the next 0.5 mile before narrowing again and passing under Pennsylvania Legislative Route 57044 and Township Route T-470 approximately 1.4 miles downstream of the dam. One house is located within 40 feet of the streambed just upstream of LR 57044. The first floor of this structure is approximately 15 feet above streambed. About 4,000 feet further downstream, the channel is again confined and flows through an uninhabited area for the next two miles before crossing Legislative Route 57043. Two houses with first floors located six feet above streambed are within 75 feet of the stream and just downstream of L.R. 57043. Failure of Ross Lake Dam could cause property damage and the loss of a few lives at the first downstream residence due to backwater effects from the roadway crossings. This flood flow may also result in damage to these roads which are heavily traveled access roads to the Elk Mountain Ski Area and associated residential development. Additional property dimage and loss of life may occur at the second downstream damage area should the dam fail. The downstream development is shown on Plate E-II. A significant hazard classification is appropriate for Ross Dam.

f. <u>Evaluation</u>. Since no permanent pool is presently impounded, this facility is evaluated as a dry lake. The primary concerns for the safety of this facility are the poor condition of the spillway walls and the low areas behind the left spillway wall. If a permanent pool is maintained in the future, the sluice gate control rod should be replaced such that it is protected from damage due to ice loading.

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SECTION 4

OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

4.1 <u>Normal Operating Procedure</u>. The lake is normally dry with inflow passing through the 12 inch conduit. The invert of the intake is at elevation 1820. Flow in excess of the conduit capacity would be stored until reaching the spillway crest, elevation 1830.0. Inflows would then be discharged through the emergency spillway.

4.2 <u>Maintenance of Dam</u>. The condition of the dam and its appurtenances as observed by the inspection team was fair. The closure facility for the 12 inch conduit has been damaged and does not operate as designed. In addition, the spillway walls and crest have undergone deterioration and cracks have developed. No formal maintenance manual exists.

4.3 <u>Maintenance of Operating Facilities</u>. Operation of the outlet works slidegate closure is restricted due to the best operating rod.

4.4 Warning System. No formal warning system exists.

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4.5 Evaluation. Maintenance of the facility appears to be insufficient. Spalled and cracked areas of the spillway crest and walls should be repaired. The operating mechanism for the outlet works should be repaired to operate as designed before a full reservoir is maintained. In addition, a formal warning system for the protection of downstream inhabitants should be developed. Included in the plan should be provision for around-the-clock surveillance of the facility during periods of unusually heavy precipitation.

SECTION 5

HYDRAULICS AND HYDROLOGY

5.1 Design Data. No design reports, calculations or miscellaneous design data are known to exist for the facility; however, a few drawings of the facility were in PennDER files. In a report upon the application of the dam, a spillway value of 1225 cfs was computed as a minimum value acceptable. As noted in Appendix D, the spillway capacity exceeds this minimum value.

5.2 <u>Experience Data</u>. Records of reservoir levels and/or spillway ischarges are not available. The dam was completed in 1974 and no major flooding at the facility has been experienced. No records of performance are available.

5.. <u>Visual Observations</u>. On the date of the inspection, no conditions were observed that would prevent the facility from operating as designed during a flood event. The significant spalling and cracking of the concrete spillway and ralls should be repaired. See Appendix C for photographs of the outlet work, closure mechanism and the spillway area.

5.4 <u>Method of Analysis</u>. The facility has been analyzed in accordance with procedures and guidelines established by the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Baltimore District, for Phase I hydrologic and hydraulic evaluations.

5.5 Summary of Analysis.

a. <u>Spillway Design Flood (SDF)</u>. In accordance with the procedures and guidelines contained in the National Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams for Phase I Investigations, the SDF for Ross Dam ranges between the 100 year flood and $\frac{1}{2}$ Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). This classification is based on the relative size of the dam (small) and the potential hazard of failure to downstream development (significant). Due to the small storage (less than 100 ac-ft) and small height (approximately 21 feet), the SDF selected is the 100 year flood.

b. <u>Results of the Analysis</u>. The 100 year flood peak is derived by averaging the peak flow value obtained from two regression equations. The first regression equation is from Bulletin 13, Floods in Pennsylvania Water Resources Bulletin. Guidelines are provided to determine the peak value by use of regional statistical data. The second regression equation is from the Hydrologic Study, Tropical Storm Agnes, North Atlantic Division, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, 1975. Guidelines are provided to determine the flood peak by use of map coefficients and logarithmic equations. The following results are obtained.

100 year flood peak	CFS
Bulletin 13	500
North Altantic Division- Tropical Storm Agnes	1000
Average 100 year flood peak	750

To determine the adequacy of the spillway, the average value for the 100 year flood is compared against the maximum outflow at low point top of dam. If the maximum outflow exceeds the 100 year average peak value derived above, then the spillway is rated adequate. If, however, the 100 year average peak value exceeds the maximum outflow at top of dam, the spillway is rated inadequate. Results are as follows:

		CFS
Maximum	Outflow at top of dam -	2000
Average	100 year flow peak	750

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5.6 <u>Spillway Adequacy</u>. Under existing conditions, Ross Dam can pass the 100 year flood peak value. Since this structure can pass the selected SDF (100 year flood), the spillway is rated adequate.

SECTION 6

STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability.

a. Visual Observations.

(1) Embankment. Visual observations of Ross Dam indicate that the dam is in fair condition. The embankment is constructed of onsite glacial material consisting of silty, clayey, gravelly sand. The dam is approximately 20.7 feet high, has a crest width of 16.5 feet, a downstream slope of 2H:1V and upstream slope of 2.5H:1V. Brush covers the upstream slope above the spillway elevation. Only a few pieces of riprap were found on the upstream slope. No seepage was observed since a reservoir was not being retained. The embankment adjacent to the left spillway wall is low. This is probably due to settlement; PennDER noted in 1974 that this area appeared poorly compacted. Erosion was not found to be a problem, but continued settlement could concentrate runoff and cause erosion.

(2) Appurtenant Structures

The spillway is a 35 foot long concrete structure that has an ogee weir and a stilling basin. Ten 4-inch pipes are set into the spillway weir for securing a fish screen. Spillway flow could be restricted by floating debris. The concrete spillway walls are broken and spalled. This appears to be a problem caused by poor quality concrete.

The outlet works consists of a 12 inch CMP concrete encased. It has a slide gate closure operated by a hand wheel from the crest. Over the slide gate is a trash rack. With the exception of the bent operator rod, the outlet appears to be in good condition.

b. Design and Construction Data.

(1) <u>Embankment</u>. Design drawings and specifications were produced by Mr. L. F. Burlein, a civil engineer. The dam was designed to have a trapezoidal cutoff trench 8 feet wide at the bottom and 4 feet deep. The cutoff trench was to be filled and the embankment constructed of homogeneous impervious material. A gravel filled toe drain with a 6 inch diameter perforated CMP shown on Plate E-IV could not be located during the inspection. The embankment was designed to have a 14 foot wide crest, a downstream slope of 2.5H:1V, upstream slope of 3H:1V and a height of 17 feet.

(2) <u>Appurtement Structures</u>. Drawings and specifications are as stated in 6.1b(1). No notable differences were observed during the inspection from the design, except the change in size of the outlet conduit and gate.

c. Operating Records. None.

d. <u>Post Construction Changes</u>. No formal construction changes are recorded. The embankment dimensions vary from design dimensions in crest width, slopes, and height. Several noted differences from the design drawings were observed. There is essentially no riprap on the upstream embankment slope, and the spillway channel is not riprapped. The toe drain from the left abutment to the outlet works outlet was apparently changed or deleted. The embankment is about 4 feet higher than designed.

e. <u>Seismic Stability</u>. The dam is located in Seismic Zone 1. On the basis of visual observations, it is statically stable. Therefore, the seismic stability is considered adequate.

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SECTION 7

ASSESSMENT AND RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 Dam Assessment

a. <u>Safety</u>. The visual inspection and review of available design and construction data indicate that Ross Dam is in fair condition. The deteriorated condition of the spillway walls and the adjacent low areas of the embankment are the primary deficiencies which cause concern for the safety of this facility. In accordance with the recommended guidelines, the spillway design flood (SDF) for this facility is in the range of the 100-year flood to the 1/2 PMF. Based on the size of the dam and the degree of downstream hazard, the selected SDF is the 100-year flood.

The hydrologic and hydraulic computations indicate that the combination of reservoir storage and spillway discharge capacity will pass the SDF (10 year flood) prior to overtopping the embankment. Therefore, in accordance with the criteria outlined and evaluated in Section 5.5, the spillway for Ross Dam is considered to be adequate.

b. <u>Adequacy of Information</u>. The design and construction data contained in PennDER files, in conjunction with data collected during the recent visual inspection, are considered to be adequate for making a reasonable assessment of this dam.

c. <u>Urgency</u>. The recommendations presented below should be implemented without delay.

d. <u>Necessity for Additional Studies</u>. The results of this inspection indicate no need for additional studies at the present time.

7.2 Recommendations.

a. Necessary remedial measures should be implemented under the guidance of a qualified engineer to repair the deteriorated spillway walls and fill in the adjacent low areas of the embankment.

b. The control rod for the outlet works slide gate control should be repaired prior to maintaining a permanent pool.

c. Remove brush from the embankment.

d. The pipes on the spillway crest should be removed.

e. A formal surveillance and downstream emergency warning system should be developed for use during periods of heavy or prolonged precipitation.

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f. An operation and maintenance manual or plan should be prepared for use as a guide in the operation and maintenance of the dam during normal and emergency conditions.

g. A schedule of regular inspection by a qualified engineer should be developed.

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CHECKLIST - VISUAL INSPECTION

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Visual Inspection Check List Phase 1

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State Pennsylvania County Susquehanna DER ID No. 58-134 Name Dam Ross Dam

Date(s) Inspection 25 Mar 81

40's Temperature Weather Ptly Cloudy

Tailwater at Time of Inspection 1816.2 M.S.L. Pool Elevation at Time of Inspection 1820.0 M.S.L.

Inspection Personnel:

J. Bianco, C.O.E.

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J. Chernesky, PennDER

J. Evans, C.O.E.

B. Cortright, C.O.E.

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	OBSERVATIONS
Any Noticeable Seepage	None; no water impounded
Junction of Embankment with: Abutments Spillway	Abutments - Low at left side; no cracking or sloughing Spillway - Low behind spillway walls
Surface Cracks	None.
Crest Alignment: Vertical	Vertical - Crest about 4 feet above spillway walls except
Horizontal	tow at wails and left aputment. Horizontal - Good.
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or Beyond the Toe	Kone.

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OBSERVATIONS	Minor erosion of embankment slope near spillway due to lack of vegetation	None except for bedding and a few stones on u/s slope.	Small trees and brush on upstream slope Brush on downstream slope.	None.	None.
VISUAL EXAMINATION OF	Sloughing or Erosion: Embankment Crest/Slopes Abutment Slopes	Riprap	Mí s ce l l aneou s	Instrumentation	Staff Gage and Recorder

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OUTLET WORKS

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VISUAL EXAMINATION OF

Slopes

Flat; appear stable. Minor sloughing along left bank near dam. Apparently due to frost action.

OBSERVATIONS

None; no water impounded except when capacity of outlet conduit exceeded. Sedimentation

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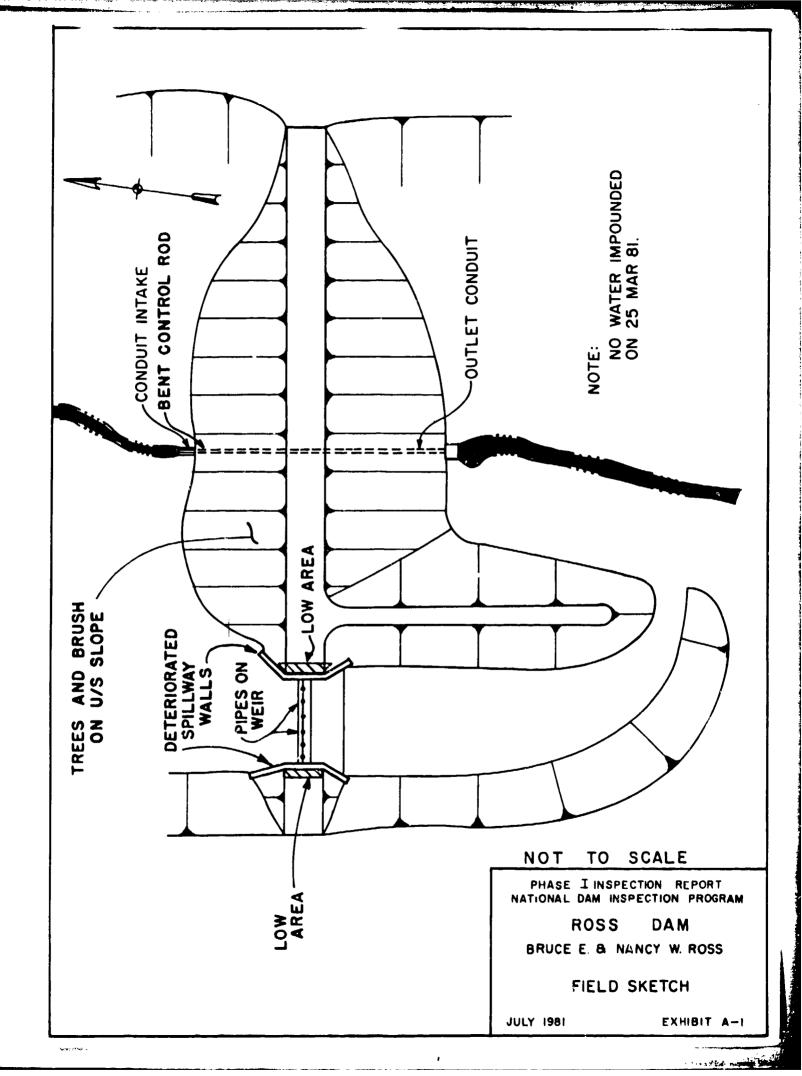
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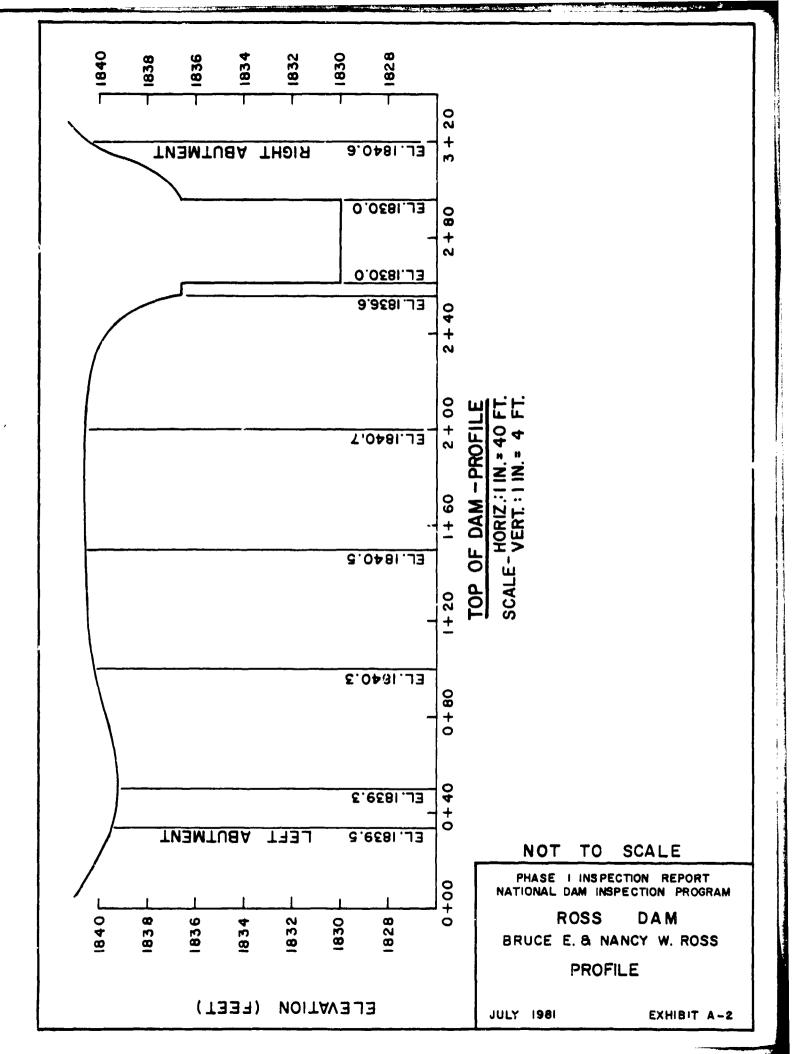
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Condition (Obstructions, etc.)	Brush adjacent to streambed. Crosses LR 57044 & Township Route T-470 approx. 1.4 miles downstream of dam.
Slopes	Moderate slopes initially; then mild
Approximate Number of Homes	One house 1.4 miles d/s. First floor 15 feet above streambed. Two houses 4 mi. d/s w/ff 6 ft. above streambed.

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APPENDIX B

CHECKLIST - ENGINEERING DATA

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	Check List NAME OF DAM - Ross Dam Design, Construction, Operation ID # 70-58-134 Phase I
ITEM	REMARKS
As-built Drawings	Cross-Section and Profile of Dam. Reservoir area, spillway section data. See Appendix E of this report.
Regional Vicinity Map	U.S.G.S. Clifford, PA., quadrangle sheet, 7-1/2 minute quad sheet, see Appendix E, Plate E-II.
Construction History	Dam was designed by Mr. L. F. Burlein, and was completed in November 1974.
Typical Sections of Dam	See Appendix E, for cross sections.
Outlets - Plan Details Constraints Discharge Ratings	Outlet plans are shown in Appendix E. The 12 inch CMP has been built with an inclined gate control valve, having a positive upstream closure.
Rainfall/Reservoir Records	None.

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ITEM	REMARKS
Design Reports	Hydrologic data from U.S. Department of Agriculture (SCS) was found in the PennDER files.
Geology Reports	Soil Analysis performed by the engineer on the design of the facility. This can be found in the Perwik files.
Design Computations Hydrology and Hydraulics Dam Stability Seepage Studies	Hydrologic data from U.S. Department of Agriculture (SCS) No other data.
Materials Investigations Boring Records Laboratory Field	Borings are described in detail in report entitled Specifications for Construction of Earthen Dam and Concrete Spillway Test Holes are Indicated on Design Drawings, (See Plate E-VI)
Post-Construction Surveys of Dam	None.
Borrow Sources	At site location.

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ITEM	REMARKS
Monitoring Systems	None.
Modifications	None.
High Pool Records	None.
Post-Construction Engineering Studies and Reports	None reported.
Prior Accidents or Failure of Dam Description Reports	N/A.
Maintenance Operation Records	None.

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Spillway section and details are shown in Appendix E of this report. This information is from PennDER files. REMARKS N/ Å. Operating Equipment Plans & Details Spillway Plan Sections Detaila LTEM

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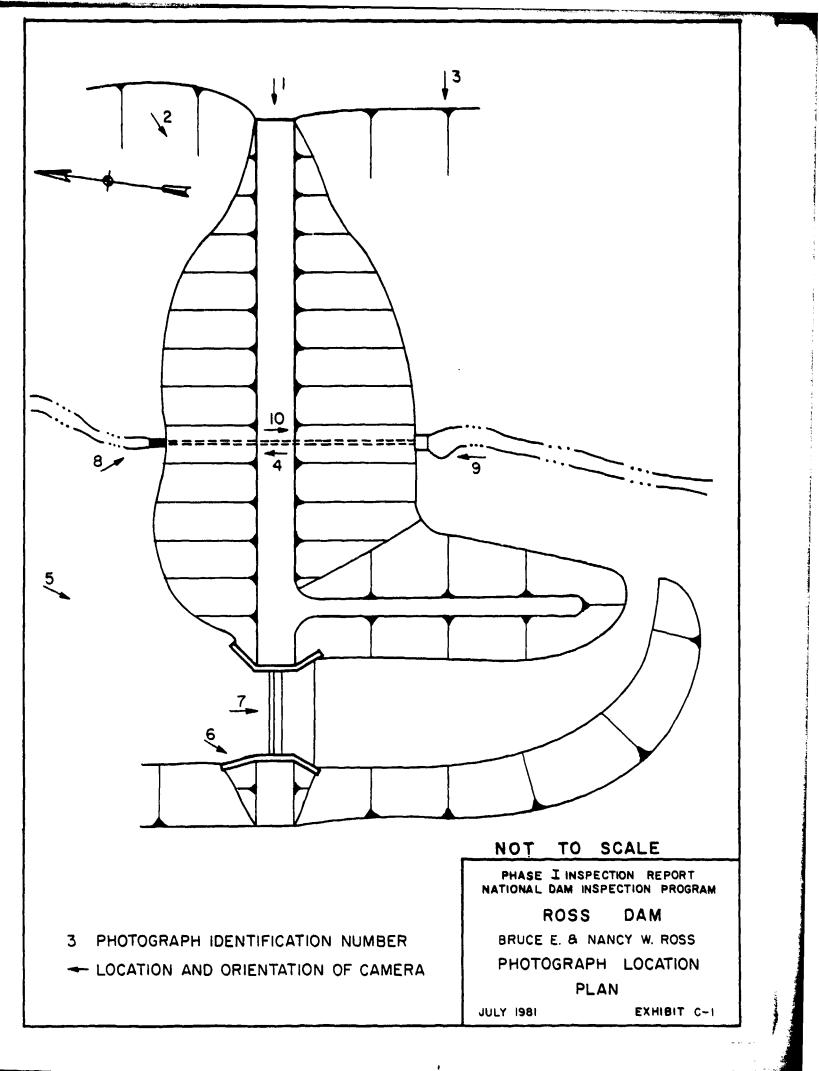
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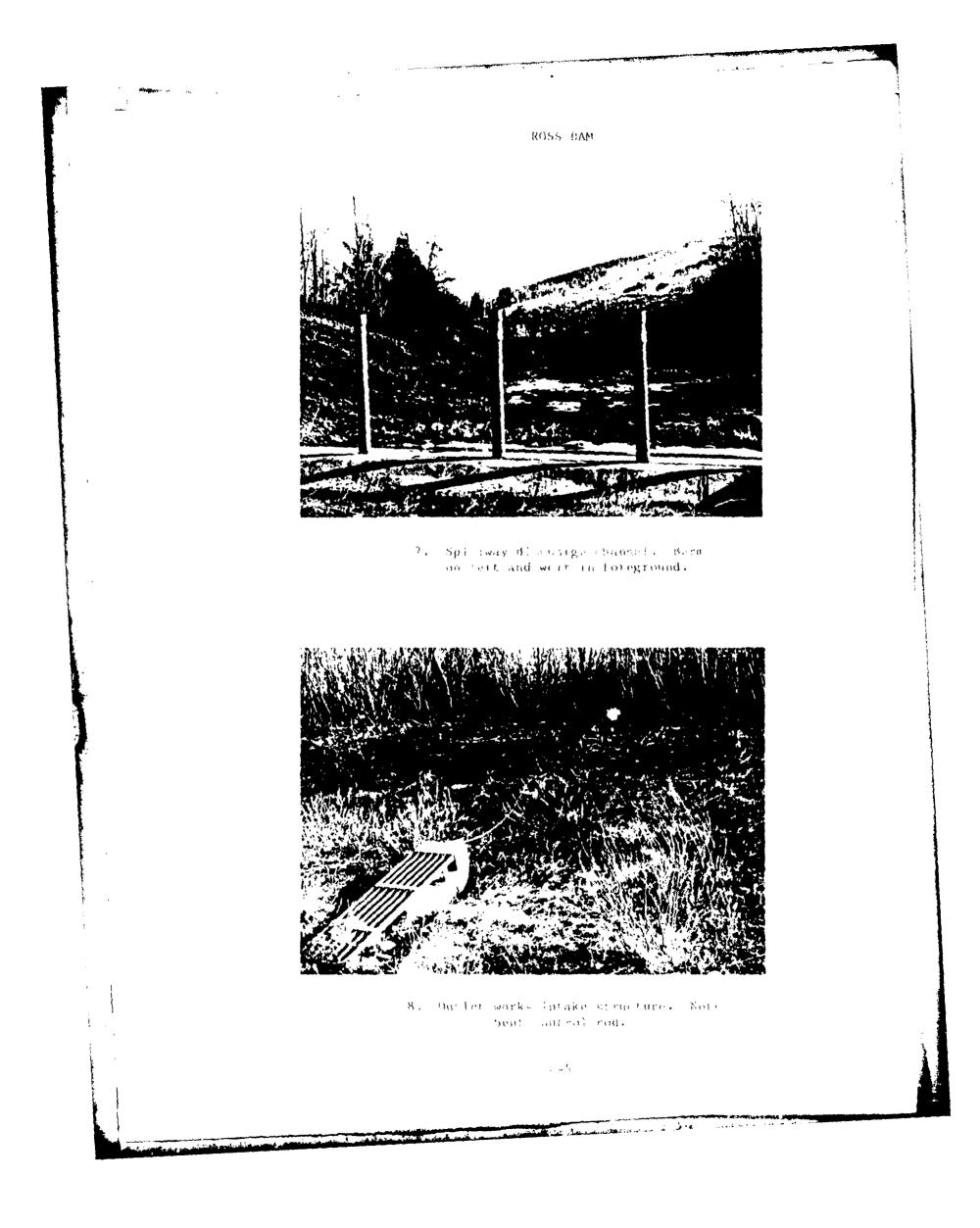
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11. First downstream resident -



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	ROSS DAM SHEET OF SHEETS
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	DAM CLASSIFICATION :
	SIZE OF DAM - SMALL
	HAZARD - SIGNIFICANT
	REQUIRED SDF - 100 YEAR FLOOD TO VE PMF
-	DAM STATISTICS :
	HEIGHT OF DAM - 20.7 FEET
	STORAGE AT NORMAL POOL - O K-FT
	STORAGE AT TOP OF DAM - 70 AC.FT
	DRAINAGE AREA ABOUE DAMSITE - 0.85 mi ²
	ELEVATIONS: (M.SL.)
	TOP OF DAM LOW POINT (FIELD) - 1836.6
	NORMAL POOL - 1820.0
	STREAMBED AT THE OF DAM - 1815.9
	SPILLWAY CREST - 1830.0
	OUTLET WORKS INTAKE INVERT - 1820.0
	OUTLET INVERT - 1815.9
	HYDROGRAPH PARAMETERS :
	RIVER BASIN - SUSQUE HANNA RIVER BASIN
	ZONE - 11
	SNYAER COEFFICIENTS
	Cp - 0.62
	$C_{E} - 1.50$
	MEASURED PARAMETERS: * 1-LENSTH OF LONGEST WATERCOURSE L= 7000 # = 1.33 m;
	L= LENGTH OF LONGEST WATERCOURSE L= 7000H= 1.33 mi Len = LENGTH OF LONGEST WATERCOURSE TO Len = 3800 FT
	CENTROID OF THE BASIN 0.72mi
	* FROM U.S.G.S. QUAD SHEET, CLIFFORD, PA.

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$$E_{p} = C_{t} (LL_{cA})^{0.3}$$

= 1.50 (0.72(1.33))^{0.3} = 1.48 hours

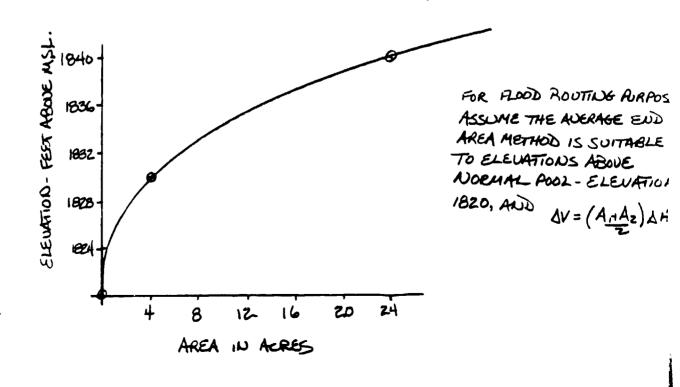
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- SURFACE AREA AT SPILLWAY CREST (1830.0) - 4 - SURFACE AREA AT ELEVATION 1840.0 - 24 (PLAINIMETERED VALUE)

ASSUME CONICAL METHOD APPLIES TO FIND VOLUME IN POOL AT SALLWAY CREST.

Y= 13AH = 1/3(4)(10) = 13.33 AC-FT.

: STORAGE AT ELEVATION 1820.0 = 0 M:FT. STORAGE AT SPILLWAY CREST 18:0.0 = 13 M:FT.



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1820.0	0		~	0	0
/830.D	4		13.3	13.3	13
1832.0	6.5	2.0	10.5	23.8	24
1834.0	9.5	2.0	16.0	39,8	40
1836.0	13.0	2.0	22.5	62.3	60
1836.6 (T.O.D)*	15.0	0.6	8.4	70.7	70
1838.0	18.0	1.4	23.1	93.8	90
1840.0	24.0	2.0	42.0	135.8	140
1842.0	31.0	2.0	55.0	190.8	190

NOTE: DRAINAGE AREA ABOUE NAM = 0.85 mi2

ELEVATION	STORAGE
(MSL) 1820,0	<u>(AL-PT)</u>
1830.0	/3
1832.0	24
1834.0	40
1836.0	60
1836.6 (TOD)	70
1838.0	90
1840.0	140
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EMERGENCY SPILLWAY CAPACITY :

SPILLWAY IS LOCATED NEAR RIGHT ABUTMENT OF DAM. SEE FIELD SKETCH IN APPENDIX A, EXHIBIT 1.

SPILLWAY NATA:

TYPE - OGEE CREST WEIR LENGTH - 35 FEET, effective length is 35-10(4") CREST ELEVATION - 1830.0 MS.L. = 31.77 PEC LOW POINT TOP OF DAM - 1836.6 MS.L. SPILLWAY FREEBOARD - 6.6 FEET C VALUE: VARIES FOR SPILLWAY CREST 2.85 FOR EMBANKMENT

ASSUME DESIGN HEIGHT ON WEIR IS HOSGRET, AND P= 2 FEET THEREFORE HOSGRE 333. (THIS IS FROM DESIGN OF SMALL DAMS, PAGE 378-USE FIGURE 249 AND FIGURE 250 to COMPUTE CAS IT VARIES WITH HEAD.)

WITH $\frac{P}{H_0} = 0.333$, $C_0 = 3.70$ $L = \frac{31.7}{100}$ FEER (effective Longth: SPILLWAY RATING TABLE:

POOL ELENATION (MSL)	He. (f4)	Ho (A)	He Ho (RATO)	Co (effic)	C	Q=CLHe (CFS)	3/2
1830.0	0	6	• • •			_ • • ·	0
/831.0	1	6	0.167	0.84	3,11	98.6	100
1832.7	2	6	0.333	0.89	3.29	294.0	290
1833,0	3	6	0.500	0.92	3.40	560,0	560
1834.0	4	4	0.667	0,95	3.52	892.7	890
/835.0	5	6	0.833	0.97	3.59	1272.4	12.70
1836.0	6	6	1.000	1.00	3.70	1723.8	1720
1836.6 (TOD)	6.6	6	1.100	1.01	3.73	20049	2000
1840.0	10	6	1.667	1.07	3.96	3969.7	39 70

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100 YEAR FLOOD ANALYSIS:

THE SELECTED SOF FOR ROSS DAY HAS BEEN THE 100 YEAR FLOOD. THIS IS BASED ON THE SIZE OF THE DAY AND THE HAZARD CATAGOREY OF THE DAM.

TO DEVELOP THE 100 YEAR FLOOD, TWO REGRESSION EQUATIONS WILL BE USED TO DETERMINE THE PEAK VALUE. THE AVERAGE OF THE TWO REGRESSION PEAKS WILL BE THE 100 YEAR FLOOD PEAK USED IN THIS ANALYSIS.

BULLENTIN 13 FLOOD PEAK:

FROM PLATE 1 - ROSS DAM IS IN REGION 2. REGRESSION EQUATION IS Q7 = CA*

where:

9, = PEAK ROW FOR RETURN PERIOD T, IN YEARS C = REGRESSION CONSTANT A = DEAINAGE AREA IN SQUARE MILLES X = REGRESSION COEFFICIENT

RELAND SRAINAGE AREA = 0.85 mil2

FOR 100 YEAR ANALYSIS:

 $T=100 \qquad A=0.85 \text{ mi}^{2}$ $C=564 \qquad X=0.744$ $\therefore Q_{100}=CA^{2}=564(0.85)^{0.744}=499.8$ $\therefore Q_{100} \stackrel{=}{=} 500 \quad CFS \quad FROM \quad BOLLENTIN \quad 13$

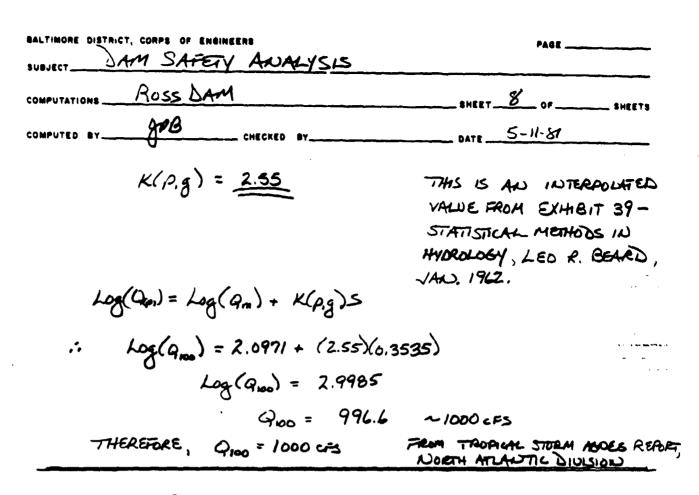
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NOW, COMPUTE THE 100 YEAR FLOOD PEAK FROM HYDROLDGIC STUDY-TROPICAL STORM AGNES, NORTH ATLANTIC DIVISION, 1975.

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$Log(Q_m) = C_m + 0.75 log(A)$	
where: Cm = a map coefficient for	MEAN LOG OF ANNUAL PEAKS
Qn = geometric MEAN OF a	nnual flood peaks, in crs
where: $C_m = a$ map coefficient for $Q_m = geometric$ mean of as A = drainage area in	Square miles
FROM FIGURE 2/ Cm = 2.15	
: Log(9m) = 2.15 + 0.75 log	(0.85) = 2.0971
now, compute the standard deviati	aa
S=Cs - 0.05/0g(A)	
where: s=standard	deviation
	Loefficient for standard deviation
FROM FIGURE 22 Cs-	·
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now compute the 100 year flood p	wake from the following
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NOW, COMPUTE THE 100 YEAR FLOOD PEAK BY AVERAGING THE TWO REGRESSION EQUATIONS.

: 9100 = 500 +1000 = 750 CFS

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THE SPILLWAY IS CONSIDEARD ADEQUATE IF THE MAXIMUM OUTFLOW THROUGH THE SPILLWAY AT LOW POINT TOP OF DAM IS GREATER THAN THE GIOO PEAK CALCULATED ABOUE.

THEREFORE,

MAXIMUM OUTFLOW AT TOP OF DAM = 2000 CBS MAXIMUM INFLOW FOR 100 YEAR FLOOD = 750 CBS

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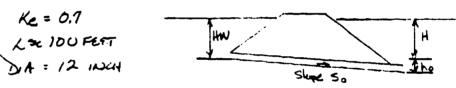
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FOR THIS ANALYSIS ASSUME OUTLET CONTROL WE TO EXIT CHANNEL FOR SPILLWAY IS 150 FEET DOWNSTREAM. THE STRUCTURE WAS ASSUMED TO HAVE A HEAD WALL THAT IS MITERED TO CONFORM TO SLOPE, THEREFORE KE=0.7. ASSUME LENGTH IS APPROXIMATELY 100 FERT AND FROM THE HYDRAUHL CHARTS FOR THE SELECTION OF HIGHWAY CULUER, U.S. DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE, DEC 1965.



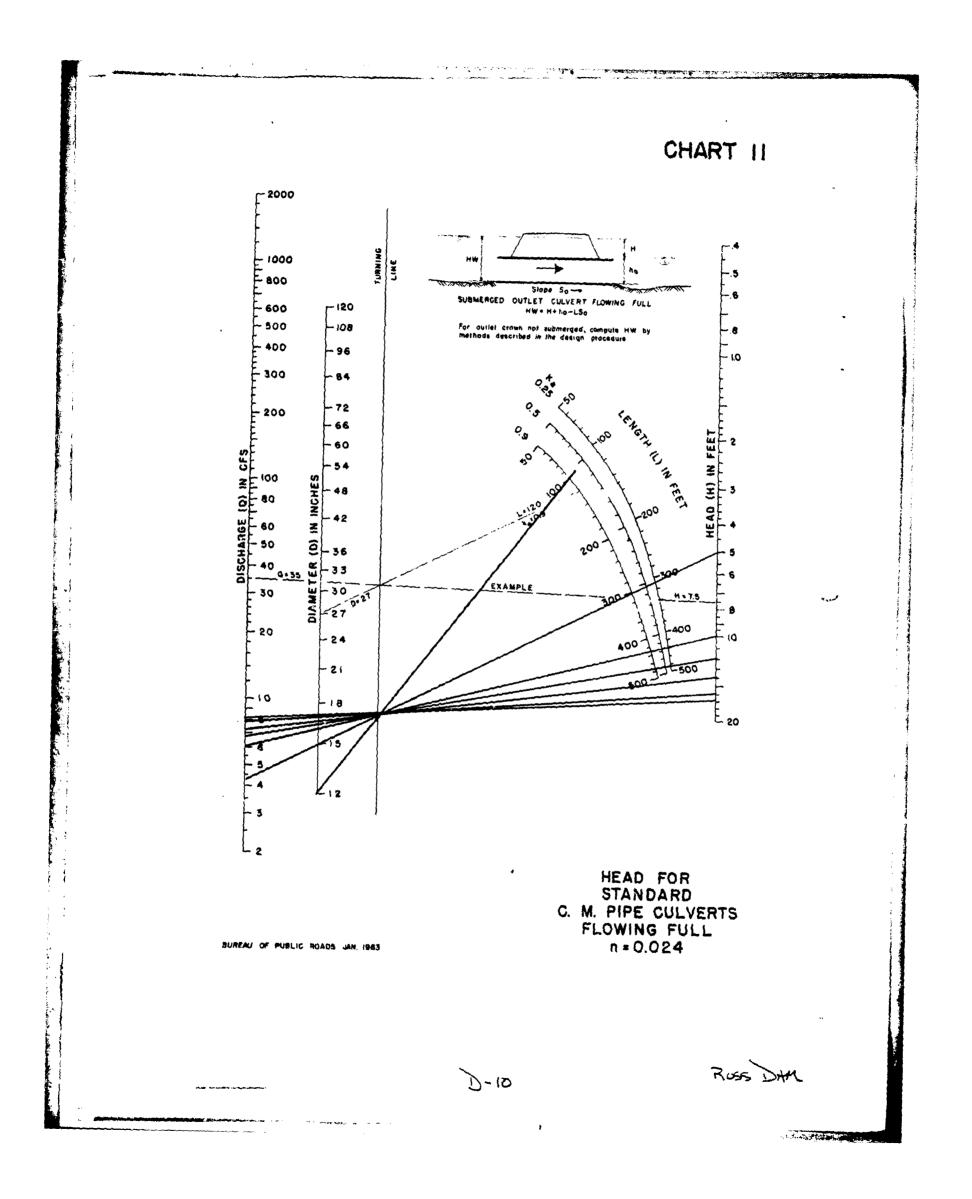
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QASSUME THAT OUTLET END OF PIPE IS SUBMERSED BY 3.1 FEET , THILWATER IS AT ELEWATION - 1820.0

H. DIFFERENTIAL HEAD BETWEEN UPSTREAM POOL ELEWATION AND DOWNSTREAM TAILWATER

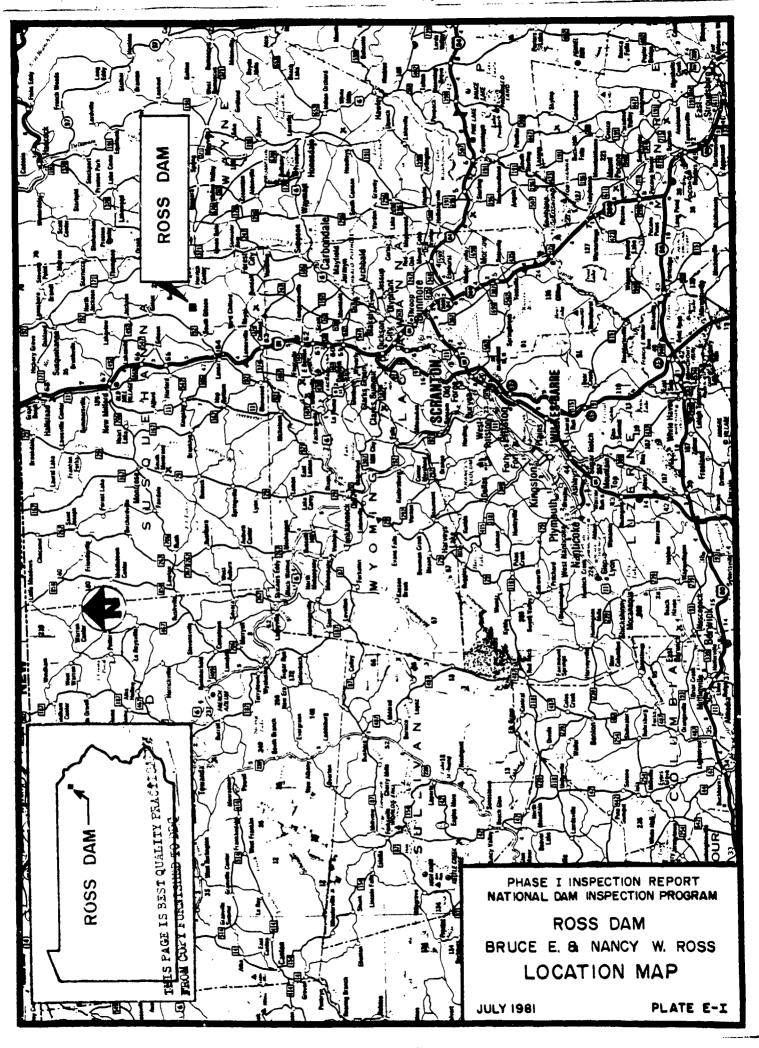
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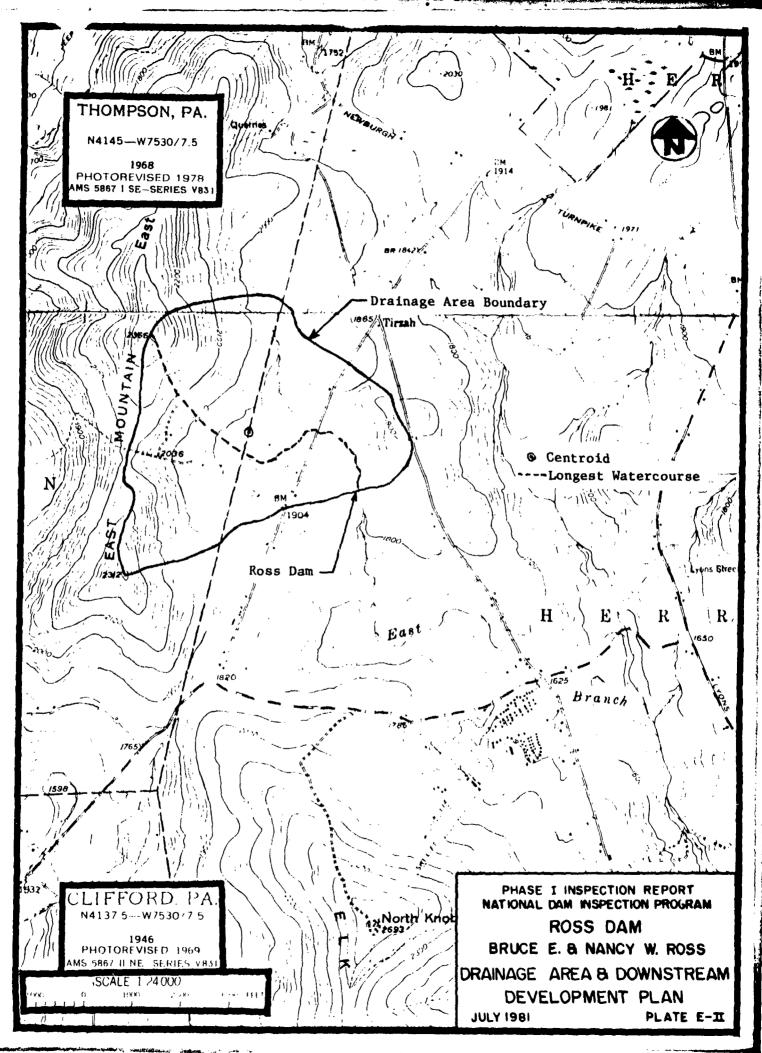
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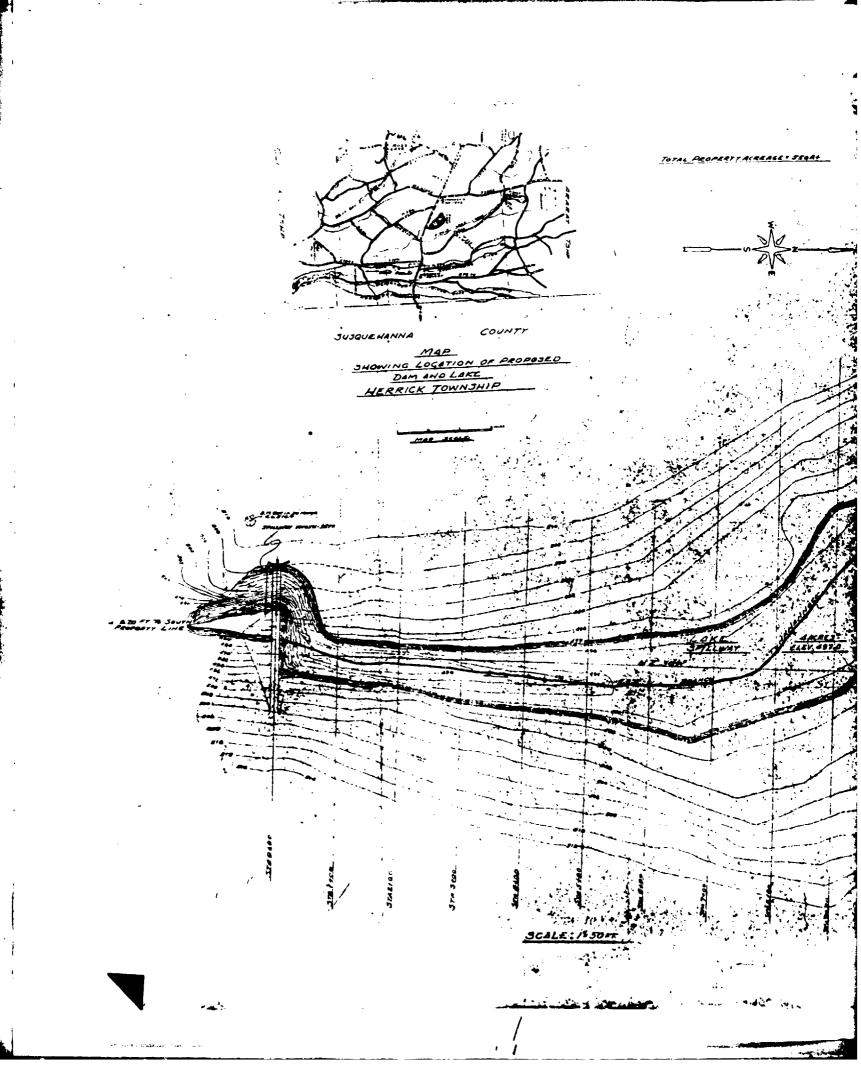
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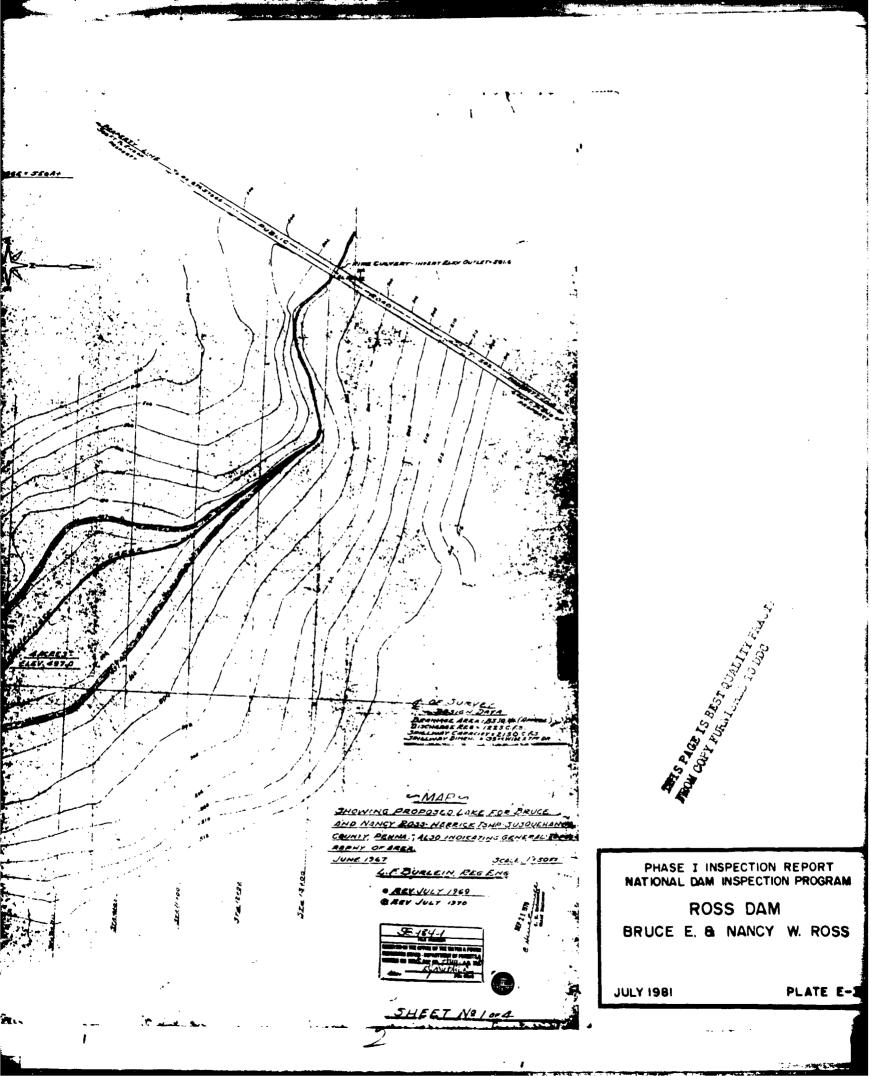
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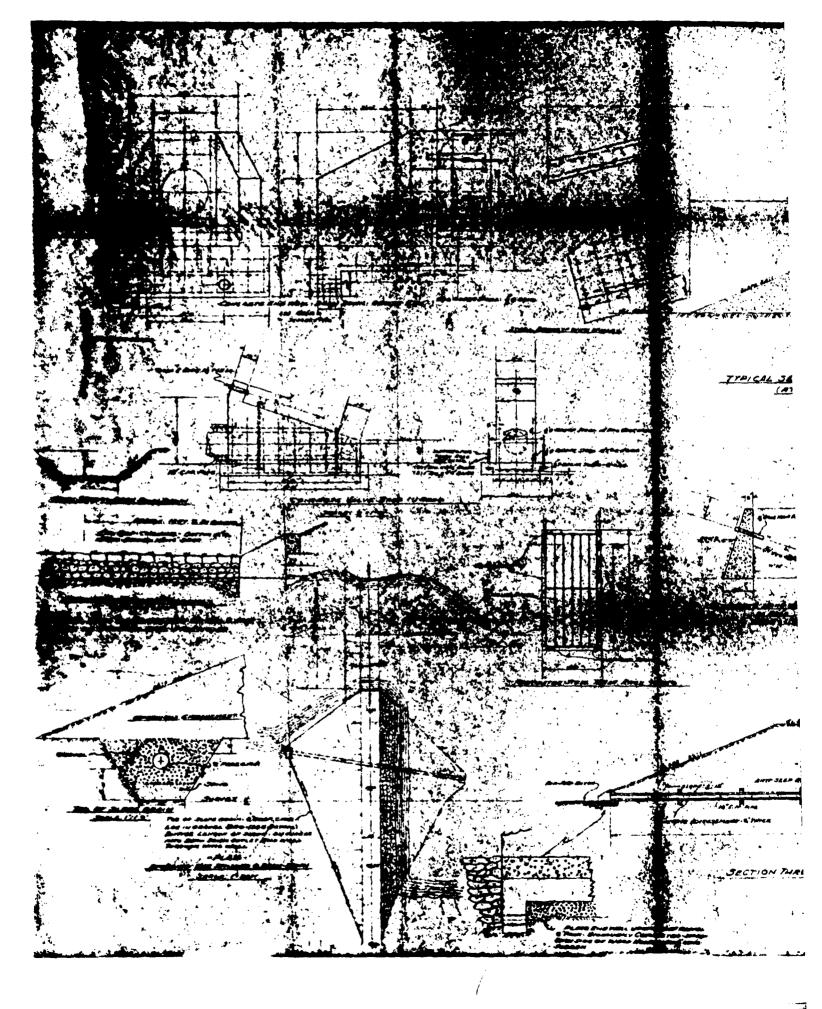




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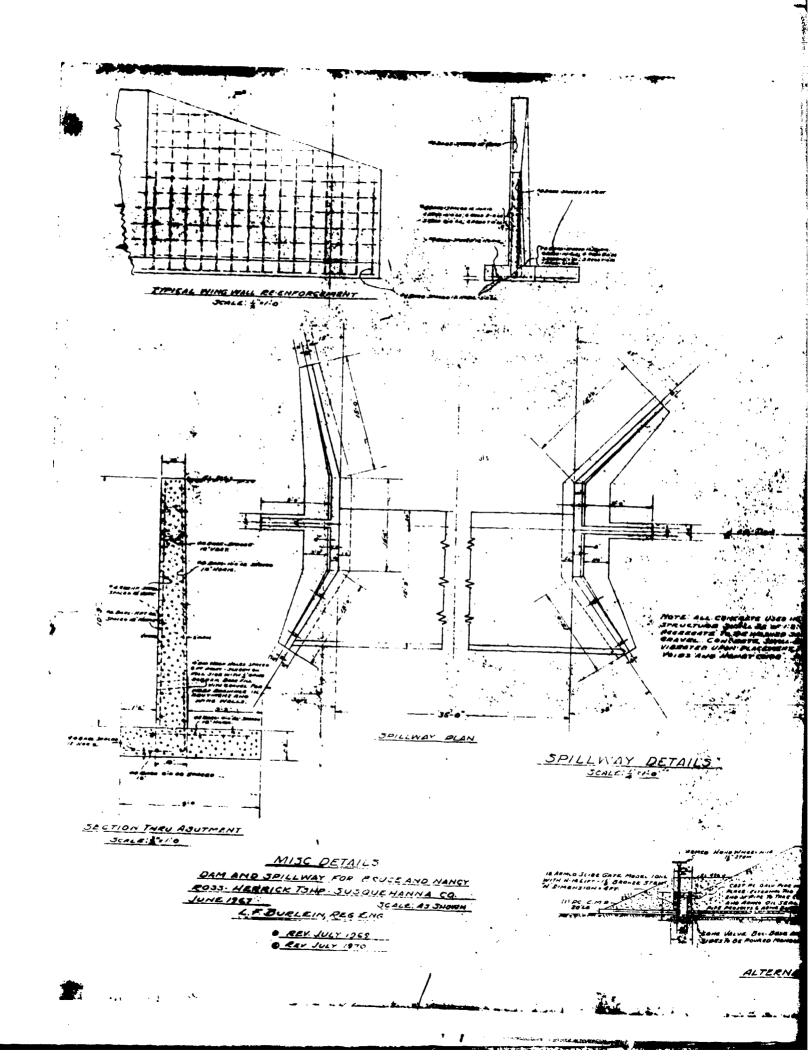


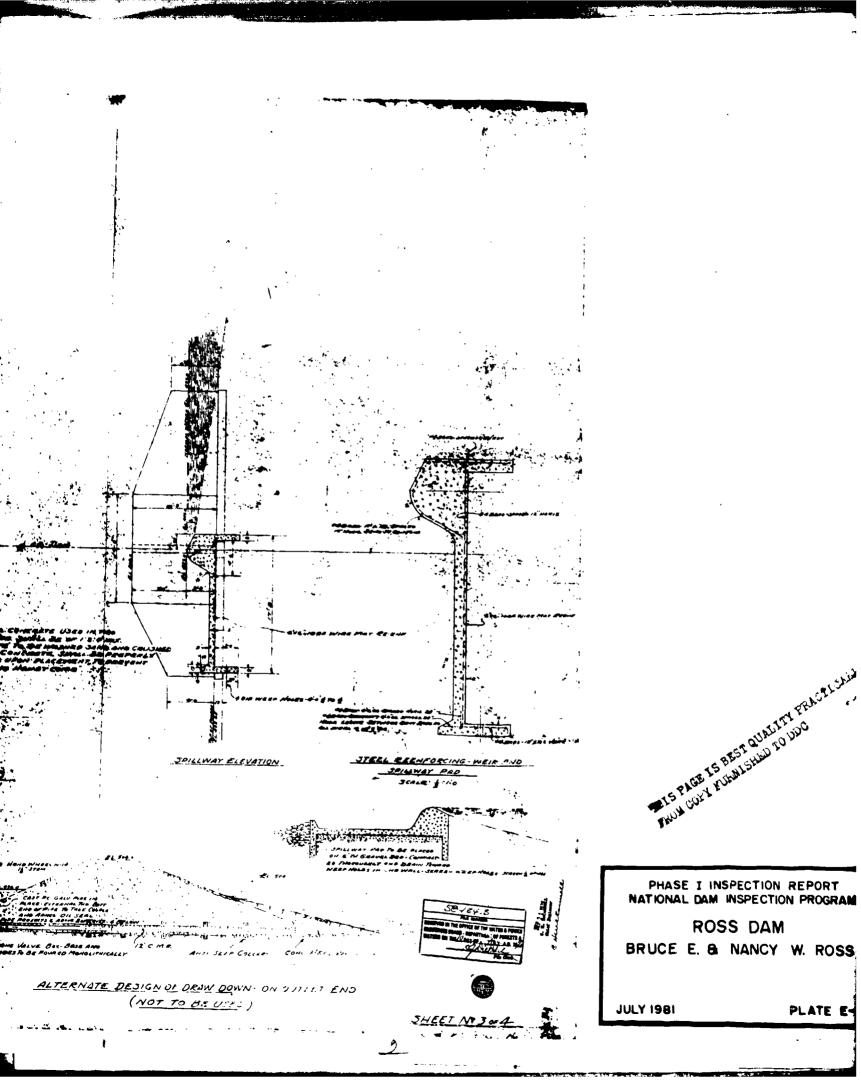


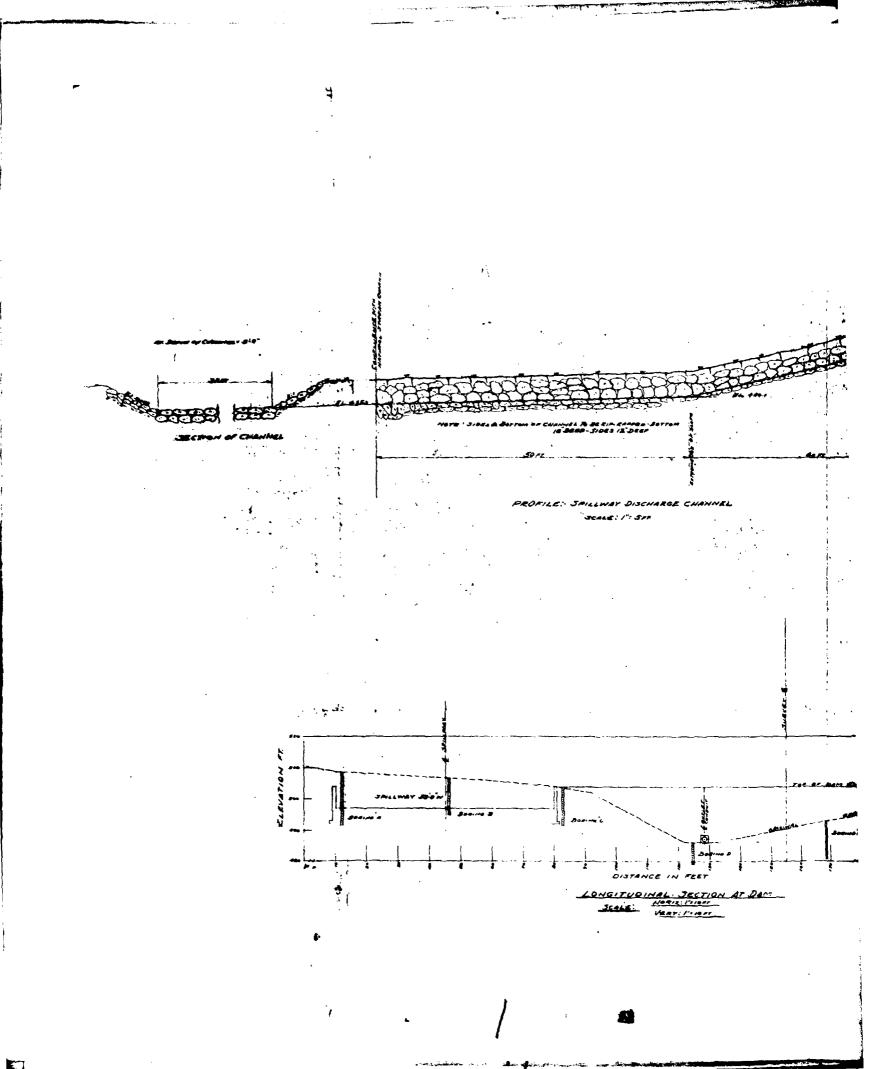


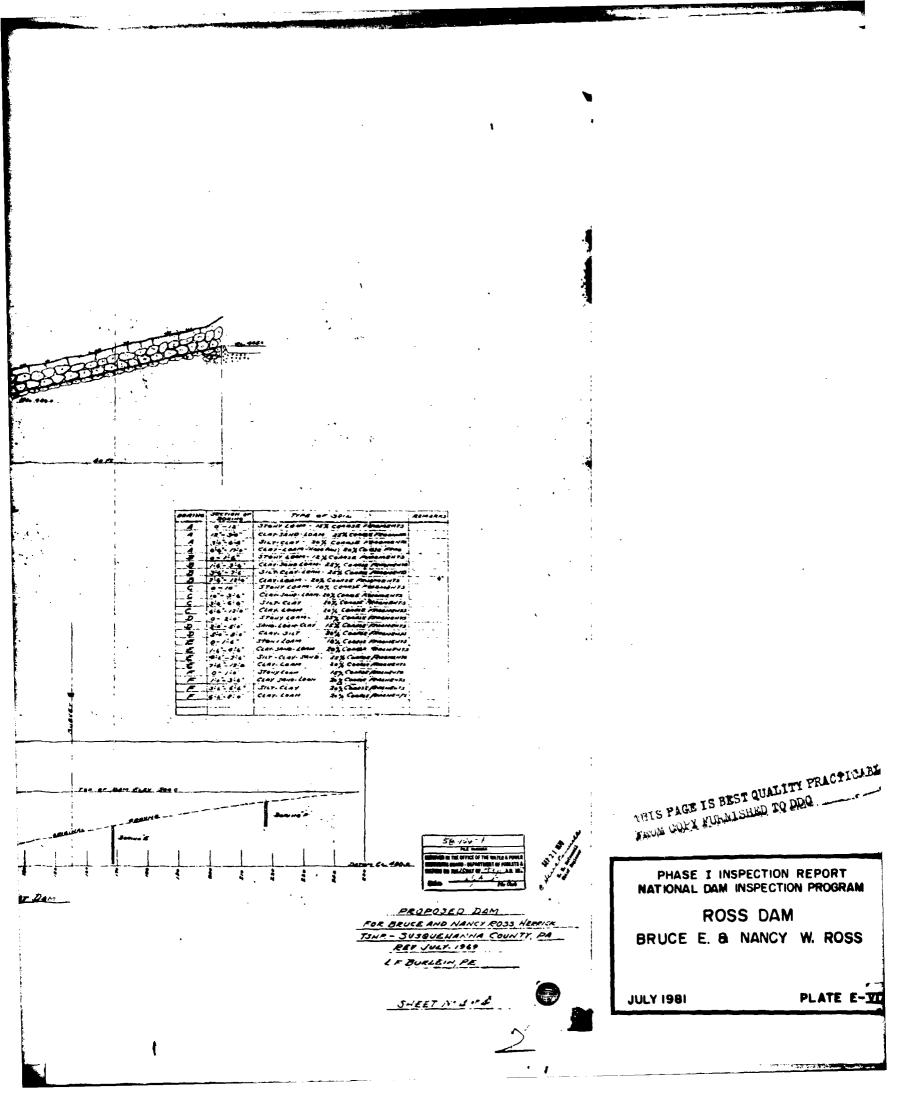
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GEOLOGY

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GENERAL GEOLOGY

Bedrock at Ross Dam is gray to red siltstone and shale of the Catskill Formation. It is well bedded in thin to medium beds with closely spaced, well developed joints. Siltstone is moderately resistant to weathering and breaking along joints and bedding fractures into tabular and blocky fragments. Glacial till exists at the site and is at least 5 feet thick in the valley.

Legend

(Bedrock)

Dck <u>CATSKILL FORMATION UNDIVIDED</u> - Succession of grayish-red sandstone, siltstone, and shale, generally in fining-upward cycles; some gray sandstone and conglomerate.

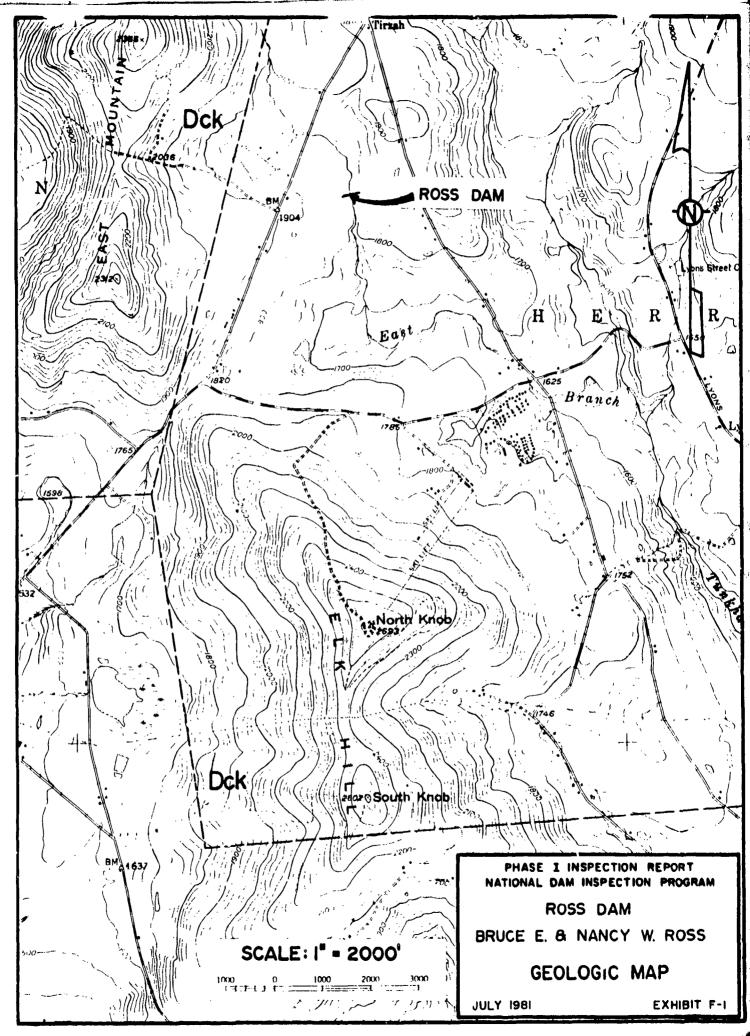
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