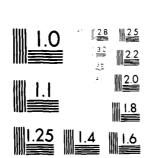
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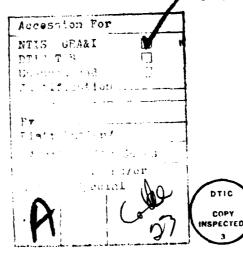
PREFACE

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, and Spillway Test flood is based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest reasonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. Because of the magnitude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass the test flood should not be interpreted as necessarily posing a highly inadequate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capacity and serves as an aide in determining the need for more detailed hudrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.



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Name of Dam:

Potter's Falls Dam (I.D. No. NY 378)

State Located:

New York

County:

Tompkins

Watershed:

Oswego River Basin

Stream:

Sixmile Creek

Date of Inspection:

July 8, 1981

ASSESSMENT

Visual inspection of this dam and engineering analyses which have been performed revealed that several deficiencies exist on this structure.

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Within three months of the receipt of this report, the owner should commence a more detailed stability analysis. Further hydraulic/hydrologic studies are needed to accurately determine flood reservoir levels. Additional inspection and evaluation of the deteriorated gunite is also required. The owner should exercise the gate on the low-level outlet and maintain it in good operating condition. Remedial measures deemed necessary as a result of these studies should be completed within 18 months.

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Other deficiencies as outlined below should be corrected within 12 months of the date of notification of the Owner:

- The operating condition of the sluice gate on the low-level outlet should be tested and repaired as necessary for dependable operation.
- 2. The deteriorated concrete on the abutments should be repaired, and the brick facing replaced or repaired as necessary.
- 3. Vegetation growing on the abutment should be removed.
- The concrete sill on the weir should be repaired to prevent further leakage beneath it.
- 5. Any open joints in the spillway should be repointed, particularly in the area of heavy efflorescence.

6.	An emergency	action plan	should be	developed	for the	notification
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SECTION 1: PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 GENERAL

a. Authority

The Phase I inspection reported herein was authorized by the Department of the Army, New York District, Corps of Engineers, fo fulfill the requirements of the National Dam Inspection Act, Public Law 92-367.

b. Purpose of Inspection

This inspection was conducted to evaluate the existing conditions of the dam, to identify deficiencies and hazardous conditions, to determine if these deficiencies constitute hazards to life and property, and to recommend remedial measures where required.

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT

a. Description of Dam

Potter's Falls Dam, locally known as the 60 Foot Dam, impounds the Ithaca Reservoir used as a water supply for the City of Ithaca. The dam is a concrete gravity structure that is arch-shaped in plan view. A spillway weir is centrally located on the top of the dam, and a low-level outlet is located at the base. On the upstream side, there is a gatehouse containing mechanisms to operate valves on the water supply line and the low-level outlet.

The dam is 220 feet long with a maximum height of 70.5 feet. It is constructed of cyclopean concrete covered with gunite and mesh. The top width is 8.5 feet. The upstream face of the dam is vertical and the downstream face is 0.7 to 1 (horizontal to vertical).

The spillway is a 100-foot long, ungated ogee weir. Discharge flows onto the downstream face of the dam and into a 100-foot wide bedrock gorge.

A 72-inch cast iron pipe passes through the base of the dam and serves as the low-level outlet. The pipe is 45.5 feet long. Flow is controlled by a gate at the upstream end of the pipe. The gate is operated from the upper level of the gatehouse.

A 24-inch cast iron pipe passes through the right abutment of the dam and serves as the water supply line. The pipe extends from a wet well in the lower level of the gatehouse to the treatment plant 9,400 feet downstream. Flow is normally regulated at the treatment plant, however,

there are also two gates on the pipe in the gatehouse. One is at the upstream end of the pipe and the other is on the opening into the wet well. Both are operated from floor stands in the upper level of the gatehouse.

b. Location

The dam is located on Sixmile Creek about 2.5 miles southeast of down-town Ithaca. An unpaved road that leads to the dam is located off Route 79, 0.3 miles south of the junction with Route 174.

c. Size Classification

The dam is a maximum of 70.5 feet high and has a storage capacity of 1,290 acre-feet. Therefore, the dam is in the intermediate size category as defined by the "Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams".

d. Hazard Classification

The dam is classified as "high" hazard due to the presence of dense commercial and residential development adjacent to the stream bed in the City of Ithaca, about 2.5 miles downstream.

e. Ownership

The dam is owned by the City of Ithaca and operated by personnel from the Department of Public Works - Water and Sewer Division. Mr. Phillip Cox, City Engineer was contacted concerning the Phase I Inspection. His address is City Hall, 108 East Green Street, Ithaca, New York 14850.

f. Purpose of Dam
The dam is a water supply reservoir for the City of Ithaca.

g. Design and Construction History
The dam was constructed in 1911. Drawings were prepared in 1910 and signed by Donald F. McLeod, City Engineer. Specifications are not available, and the name of the construction contractor is unknown. By 1925, siltation had decreased the storage capacity of the dam by 12 percent. The Silt Dam was therefore constructed 3,500 feet upstream to control siltation. In 1939, a covering of gunite and mesh was placed over the entire dam. There are no drawings or construction data available for that work.

e. Normal Operating Procedures
There are no regular operating procedures at the dam. The gate on the low-level outlet has not been operated since 1959 when the reservoir was drained to inspect for siltation. The gates on the water supply pipe are operated once or twice a year to dewater the wet well and clean the screens in the gatehouse.

1.3 PERTINENT DATA

a. Drainage Area (sq. mi.)

45.6

<u>b.</u>	Discharge at Dam (cfs) Concrete Spillway-water surface at top of dam 72-inch Outlet-water surface at crest of spillway	10,450
<u>c.</u>	Elevation (Plan Datum) Top of Dam Spillway Crest Invert of 72-inch outlet pipe Invert of 24-inch water pipe	715.5 705.0 647.0 665.0
<u>d.</u>	Reservoir (Surface Area) (acres) Top of Dam Spillway Crest	47 47
<u>e.</u>	Storage Capacity (acre-feet) Top of Dam Spillway Crest	1,290 800
f.	Dam Type: cyclopean concrete gravity dam, arch in p ing of gunite and mesh Length (ft) Slopes (V:H) Upstream Downstream Crest Width (ft)	lan, surface cover- 220 Vertical 0.7:1 8.5
<u>g.</u>	Spillway Type: Concrete ogee overflow weir Length of Weir (ft)	100
<u>h.</u>	Low Level Outlet Type: 72-inch cast iron pipe through dam, 45.5 controlling flow at upstream end of pipe,	feet long, gate operating mechanism

inside gatehouse

k. Appurtenant Structures
 24-inch cast iron water supply pipe through dam at right abutment,
 9,400 feet long, two gates at upstream end (gatehouse), but flow is controlled at downstream end (treatment plant)

SECTION 2: ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 GEOTECHNICAL DATA

a. Geology
Potter's Falls Dam is located in the Southern New York Section of the Appalachian Plateaus physiographic province. The bedrock in this area consists of shales, siltstones, and sandstones that have been uplifed and gently folded into regional basin structures. The bedrock at the dam is a dark gray, thin bedded shale with prominent vertical joints that form the steep walls of the gorge below the dam. A review of the "Geologic Map of New York" indicated that there are no faults in the vicinity of the dam.

Surficial soils in the area are the result of glaciations during the Pleistocene Epoch, the last of which was the Wisconsin glaciation.

b. Subsurface Investigations There are no records of any subsurface investigation for Potter's Falls Dam. Continuous bedrock outcrops are visible at the abutments and along the base of the dam.

2.2 DESIGN RECORDS

Design plans were prepared in 1910 under the direction of the City Engineer for the City of Ithaca. These were the only design records available.

2.3 CONSTRUCTION RECORDS

This dam was constructed in 1911. The name of the contractor is unknown, and there are no as-built drawings available. There was some correspondence available concerning the construction. Personnel from the New York State Conservation Commission inspected the structure about halfway through construction. The principal comment made by the Conservation Commission was that the concrete was not of good quality, containing too much coarse aggregate (3/8 to 3/4 inch crushed shale) and not enough sand. The sand fraction was increased as a result of this comment. There were no records of significant changes made in the design of the dam during construction.

2.4 OPERATION RECORDS

The only operation records available are hydrographs of the height of the reservoir above the crest of the spillway for the years 1939 through 1944.

2.5 EVALUATION OF DATA

Information used for the preparation of this report was obtained from the Department of Environmental Conservation files and from the City of

Ithaca's Water and Sewer Division files. The information available appeared to be reasonably accurate. The plan datum agrees with elevation given on U.S. Geological Survey quadrangle maps.

SECTION 3: VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 FINDINGS

a. General

Visual inspection of Potter's Falls Dam was conducted on July 8, 1981. The weather was sunny with the temperature around 90 degrees. The water level at the time of the inspection was slightly above the crest to the spillway.

b. Dam

Inspection of the dam was hampered by the flow of discharge over the spillway and by the lack of access to the abutments on the downstream side of the dam.

Spalling and erosion of the gunite and mesh covering the dam has occurred in the following areas on the downstream face:

left abutment - halfway down

2. bottom of face - from outlet opening to left abutment

3. downstream toe - right abutment

A large bulge in the gunite is also visible on the downstream face opposite the level of the water pipe. There are hairline cracks with slight efflorescence in many areas on the dam. This deterioration could be caused by flowing water, freezing and thawing, seepage through the dam, improper construction techniques or materials, or a combination of these factors.

Minor seepage indicated by wet areas on the bedrock face was observed at both abutments on the downstream face of the dam. At the left abutment, the wet area is larger, extending from the top to about half-way down. There is no visible flow in the wet areas, and the bedrock is intact. It is likely that this seepage is occurring along nearly horizontal bedding planes in the bedrock.

Brush and trees are growing on the upstream side of both abutments of the dam.

c. Spillway The spillway weir is in sa

The spillway weir is in satisfactory condition. No voids or cracks were visible. The crest is clear of obstructions.

d. Low-Level Outlet

The low-level outlet was partly submerged and only visible at the downstream end. This end of the pipe is clear of debris and silt. To inspect the pipe further, it should be dewatered and ventilated.

e. Water Supply Pipe
The water supply pipe is mostly embedded in concrete or in bedrock. The concrete around the pipe just downstream of the dam is moderately eroded. Where the pipe is visible farther downstream, it is in satisfactory condition.

f. Gatehouse

The gatehouse is in fair structural condition. There are some thin vertical cracks in the walls and localized spalling of the concrete at the water line. Inside, the floor stands for operating the gates on the low-level outlet and the water supply pipe are intact.

Reservoir

g. Reservoir There were no indications of slope instability in the reservoir area.

Downstream Channel

The channel downstream of the dam is a bedrock gorge. There are no significant obstructions in the floor or sides of the channel.

3.2 EVALUATION OF OBSERVATIONS

Visual observations revealed several deficiencies on this structure. The following items were noted:

1. Localized spalling and erosion of the gunite surface.

2. Minor seepage at the dam abutments.

3. Brush and trees growing next to the upstream face.

4. Eroded concrete on the exterior of the gatehouse and around the water supply pipe downstream of the dam.

SECTION 4: OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

4.1 PROCEDURES

This reservoir is used as a water supply by the City of Ithaca. Flow through the water supply pipe is controlled downstream at the water treatment plant. The two gates on the water supply pipe at the dam are normally kept open. Once or twice a year, these gates are closed to dewater the wet well and clean the screens on the water supply pipe. The gate on the low-level outlet is normally kept closed. Its condition is unknown, since the last time it was operated was in 1959.

4.2 MAINTENANCE

Periodic visits are made to the dam to check on the condition of the facilities. The visits are made by personnel from the Ithaca Water and Sewer Division.

4.3 WARNING SYSTEM IN EFFECT

There is no apparent warning system for the notification and evacuation of downstream residents.

4.4 EVALUATION

The operation and maintenance procedures on this structure are not satisfactory. Additional maintenance efforts are required to correct some of the deficiencies noted in Section 3.2.

SECTION 5: HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC

5.1 DRAINAGE AREA CHARACTERISTICS

The delineation of the watershed contributing to this dam is indicated on the Vicinity Map (Appendix F). The irregularly shaped 45.6 square mile (29,184 acre) watershed is comprised of relatively undeveloped land consisting of open fields and woodland. The village of Brooktondale located near the center of the watershed is the largest developed area. Slopes along the primary drainage paths are flat (1.5 percent). However, the adjacent hillsides have steep (9 percent) slopes. The hills that form the watershed divide are 700 to 1,200 feet above the reservoir elevation. There are a few small ponds and wetlands in lowland areas of the watershed. The only upstream dam is Silt Dam which fills with debris flowing toward the reservoir.

5.2 ANALYSIS CRITERIA

No hydrologic/hydraulic information was available regarding the original design for this dam. Therefore, the analysis of the floodwater retarding capability of the dam was performed using the Corps of Engineers HEC-1 computer program, Dam Safety version. This program uses the Snyder Synthetic Unit hydrograph and the "Modified Puls" flood routing procedure. The spillway design flood selected for analysis was the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF), in accordance with the Recommended Guidelines of the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers.

5.3 SPILLWAY CAPACITY

A 100-foot long ogee-crested spillway is located at the center of the dam. Flow over the weir was analyzed using a discharge coefficient of 3.97. The computed discharge capacity of the spillway is 10,450 cfs with the reservoir level at the top of the dam. The flood analysis performed for this dam indicates that the spillway does not have sufficient capacity for discharging one-half the PMF. For this storm event, the peak inflow is 18,850 and the peak outflow is 18,830 cfs. The full PMF peak inflow and peak outflow are 37,700 cfs and 37,680 cfs respectively.

5.4 RESERVOIR CAPACITY

The normal water surface is at or near the spillway crest elevation of 705.0 (plan datum). The impounded capacity at this elevation is 800 acre-feet. Surcharge storage capacity to the top-of-dam (elev. 715.5) adds 490 acre-feet which is equivalent to a direct runoff depth of 0.2 inches over the watershed. The total storage capacity is 1,290 acre-feet.

5.5 FLOODS OF RECORD

The maximum flood at the dam site is reported to have been in 1935, but the reservoir level at that time is unknown. The highest level on record

occurred March 17, 1942 when the reservoir reached elevation 709.1. This elevation is 4.1 feet above the crest of the spillway and 6.4 feet below the top of the dam.

5.6 OVERTOPPING POTENTIAL

Analyses using the PMF and one-half PMF storm events indicate that the spillway does not have sufficient discharge capacity. The computed depths of overtopping for these two events are 9.6 feet and 3.4 feet respectively. All storm events exceeding 31 percent of the PMF will result in the dam being overtopped.

5.7 EVALUATION

The spillway is inadequate for the peak outflow from one-half the PMF. Due to the concrete construction of the dam and bedrock outcrops at both abutments, overtopping is unlikely to result in failure due to erosion. However, as discussed in the following section, a preliminary stability analysis indicates that the factor of safety is below the recommended value with the reservoir at the one-half PMF level. Dense residential and commercial development exists 2.5 miles downstream in the City of Ithaca. If the dam were to fail, it would increase the degree of flooding downstream from that which would exist prior to failure. Based on the capacity of the spillway, the low factor of safety, and the increased flooding as a result of failure, the spillway is assessed as seriously inadequate.

SECTION 6: STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY

Visual Observation

The dam is a combined arch and gravity design, constructed of concrete which was later covered with gunite and mesh. The reason for adding the qunite is unknown.

A close inspection of the downstream face of the dam was restricted by discharge over the spillway and a lack of access to the abutments. The downstream toe near the middle of the dam was submerged and could not be inspected. No major settlement was visible. The gunite covering the dam is locally spalled and bulging. Minor seepage was observed on the downstream face at both abutments.

b. Data Review and Stability Analysis

No design information concerning the stability of either the concrete dam or spillway sections was available. The design drawings provided cross sections used in the analyses. There are no as-built drawings or other construction data available for the dam.

A stability analysis was performed for this report in accordance with the "Recommended Guidal mes for Safety Inspection of Dams". The analysis was performed using a section at the center of the dam perpendicular to the spillway weir. It was assumed that the structure is constructed of cyclopean concrete, as shown on the construction drawing dated August, 1910. The foundation material is horizontally bedded shale. No drainage system to relieve uplift pressures is shown on the drawings.

Due to the arch design of the dam, an overturning analysis was not performed for this structure. Therefore, only the safety factors against sliding were computed. The results of the analysis are as follows:

Sliding: Factors of Safety

Case: Spillway Section

a) Reservoir level at spillway crest 0.76 b) a) plus ice load of 5,000 lb./ft.c) Reservoir level at top of dam 0.73

0.49 d) a) plus seismic coefficient of 0.10 0.57

Evaluation of Structural Stability

The analyses indicate that the factors of safety for the spillway are significantly below recommended levels. Due to the very low factors of safety for the spillway section, the non-overflow section of the dam was not analyzed.

Although the dam appears to be stable, the factors of safety are below acceptable values. If the dam were to fail during a storm or under other loading conditions, a significant amount of flooding would occur in downstream residential areas. Furthermore, failure would result in the loss of a public water supply reservoir.

A more detailed analysis is required to accurately evaluate the structural stability of the dam. Two features in its construction would provide stability and have not been taken into account in this analysis. One feature is the cut-off wall shown on the drawings as extending into bedrock under the entire length of the dam and the keying of the base of the dam into the bedrock. The second feature is the arched curvature of the dam which would resist lateral pressures from the reservoir. It is also known that the structure has withstood a reservoir level 4.1 feet above the spillway crest (6.4 feet below the top of the dam) without failure.

There is a lack of data concerning the concrete in the dam, the as-built construction of the cut-off wall, the physical properties of the bedrock, and seepage (uplift) conditions under the dam. Also, the condition of the downstream toe could not be evaluated during the visual inspection. Field investigations are required to obtain more information about the structure. This information should then be incorporated into a more detailed stability analysis. Based on this analysis, a design may be required to correct deficiencies in the stability of the dam.

d. Seismic Stability

This dam is located in Seismic Zone 1. However, a seismic stability analysis was performed in accordance with Corps of Engineer's Guidelines. The analysis is based on an assumed seismic coefficient of 0.10 and the reservoir level at the crest of the spillway. For the spillway section, the safety factor against sliding is 0.57. This low factor of safety further indicates that additional stability studies are needed.

SECTION 7: ASSESSMENT/RECOMMENDATIONS

7.1 ASSESSMENT

a. Safety

The Phase I inspection of Potter's Falls Dam revealed that the gunite surface is eroded in three areas on the downstream face and toe. A large bulge was also visible in the gunite on the downstream face as well as hairline cracks in other areas on the dam. Further deterioration will occur if the gunite is not repaired.

Outflows from all storms exceeding 31 percent of the Probable Maximum Flood will overtop the dam. During the one-half PMF, the abutments of the dam would be overtopped by 3.4 feet. The dam is a concrete structure that ties into bedrock at both abutments. However, a preliminary stability analysis of the spillway indicates that the factor of safety is less than 1.0 when the reservoir is at the one-half PMF level. A failure of the dam would increase the degree of flooding in downstream residential areas. Therefore, the spillway is assessed as seriously inadequate.

b. Adequacy of Information

The information which was available for the preparation of this report was limited. Drawings prepared during design of the dam were used for the stability analyses. No as-built drawings or detailed construction data is available.

Need for Additional Investigation

Investigation of the materials and as-built construction of the dam is required to conduct a detailed stability analysis. The investigation should develop accurate data on the construction of the cut-off wall, the nature and strength of concrete in the dam, the condition and strength of bedrock under the dam, and the uplift pressures acting on the base of the dam.

Additional hydraulic/hydrologic studies are required to more accurately determine reservoir levels that would occur during the full PMF. These levels are needed to evaluate the stability of the dam under maximum head conditions.

Additional investigation is required to determine the cause and extent of deterioration of the gunite covering the dam. This should include an inspection of the gunite when there is no flow over the spillway.

Evaluate the possibility that seepage is causing the gunite to spall. If this is the case, repairs such as sealing the upstream face or providing internal drainage may be necessary.

d. Urgency
The required investigations should be commenced within three months of
the date of notification of the Owner. Within the same time, the gate
on the low-level outlet should be exercised and maintained in good
operating condition in the future.

Remedial measures deemed necessary as a result of the investigations and repairs required to correct other deficiencies which exist should be completed within 18 months of the date of final approval of this report.

7.2 RECOMMENDED MEASURES

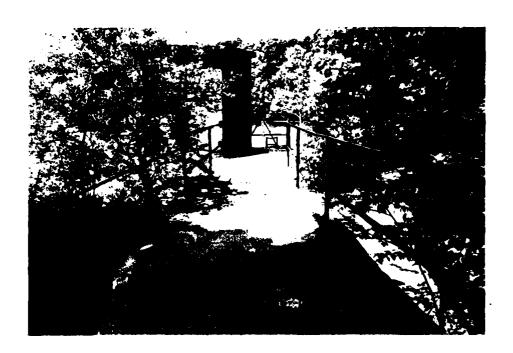
- a. After the structural stability analysis has been completed, perform necessary remedial work.
- b. After the condition of the gunite has been evaluated, conduct necessary repairs.
- c. Visually monitor wet areas at both abutments of the dam. If flowing water or spalling bedrock is evident, conduct an investigation and correct the seepage.
- d. Repair the deteriorated concrete on the exterior of the gatehouse and around the water supply pipe downstream of the dam.
- e. Clear brush and trees along the upstream face of both abutments of the dam.
- f. Develop an emergency action plan for the notification and evacuation of downstream residents.

APPENDIX A

PHOTOGRAPHS



UPSTREAM VIEW OF DAM



TOP OF DAM, RIGHT ABUTMENT



CREST OF SPILLWAY AND LEFT ABUTMENT



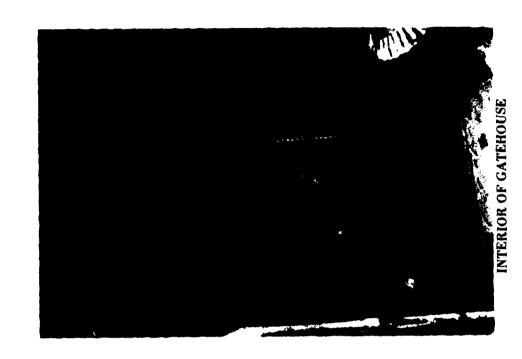
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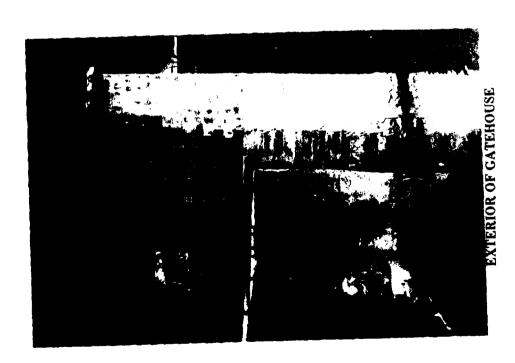


GATEHOUSE AND RIGHT ABUTMENT



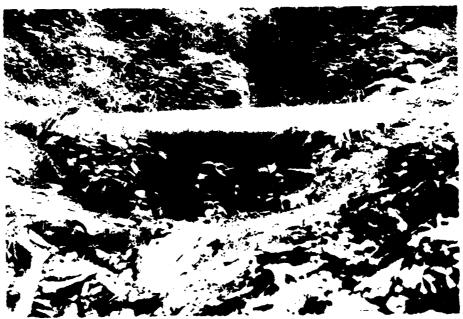
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ERODED CONCRETE UNDER WATER MAIN IN WALL OF DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL



EXPOSED SECTION OF WATER MAIN IN WALL OF DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL

APPENDIX B

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECKLIST

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECKLIST

1) Basic Data
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a.	General
	Name of Dam Potter's Falls Dam 60-Foot Dam
	Fed. I.D. # NY 378 DEC Dam No
	River Basin Oswego
	Location: Town Ithaca County Tompkins
	Stream Name Sixmile Creek
	Tributary of Oswego River
	Latitude (N) 42°25.0' Longitude (W) 76°27.7'
	Type of Dam cyclopean concrete arch-gravity dam covered with gunite
	Hazard Category high
	Date(s) of Inspection July 8, 1981
	Weather Conditions Sunny + hot
	Reservoir Level at Time of Inspection
b.	Inspection Personnel Reginald Barron, Carol Sweet
c.	Persons Contacted (Including Address & Phone No.)
	Mr. Philip Cox, City Engineer
	City Hall, 108 Green Street
	Ithaca, New York 14850
	(601) 212-1716
đ.	History:
	Date Constructed 1911 Date(s) Reconstructed 1939-qunite added
	Date constitucted Date(s) Reconstitucted 1151 400000
	Designer <u>UnKnown</u>
	Constructed By unknown
	Owner City of Ithaca - Dept. of Public Works - Sewer + Water Div.
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2)	Embankment

a.	Char	racteristics
	(1)	Embankment Material cyclopean concrete covered with gunite

	(2)	Cutoff Type Key wall 10ft. thick into bedrock foundation
	(3)	Impervious Core <u>concrete</u>
`	(4)	Internal Drainage System <u>none shown on drawings</u>
	(5)	Miscellaneous
b.	Cres	
	(1)	Vertical Alignment <u>f/af</u>
	(2)	Horizontal Alignment <u>curved</u> upstream (arch)
	(3)	Surface Cracks hairline transverse Cracks in gunite (oriented
		upstream -> downstream)
	(4)	Miscellaneous
c.	Upst	ream Slope
	(1)	Slope (Estimate) (V:H) <u>Verfical</u>
	(2)	Undesirable Growth or Debris, Animal Burrows brush and a few
		trees growing along upstream face at both abutments
	(3)	Sloughing, Subsidence or Depressions <u>none</u>

(4)	Slope Protection <u>Covered with gunite</u>
(5)	Surface Cracks or Movement at Toe <u>Some hairline Cracks-one long</u> horizontal crack from gatehouse to right abut ment
Down	stream Slope
(1)	Slope (Estimate - V:H) battered 1:1.44 (0.7 percent)
(2)	Undesirable Growth or Debris, Animal Burrows <u>minor weed</u> growth at right abutment
(3)	Sloughing, Subsidence or Depressions <u>eroded qunite: 1) midway down</u> 5lope at left abutment, 2) between outlet and left abutment,
(4)	3) downstream toe at right abutment. Also large bulge in qunite on downstream face near water supply pipe. Surface Cracks or Movement at Toe
(5)	Seepage wet areas on bedrock at both abutments, but no visible flow
(6)	External Drainage System (Ditches, Trenches; Blanket)
(7)	Condition Around Outlet Structure <u>eroded quaite to left</u> of outlet opening
(8)	Seepage Beyond Toe <u>not visible - Submerged</u>
d	ments - Embankment Contact am ties into bedrock at both abutments - ondition is satisfactory except for minor seepage noted above
	(5) Down (1) (2) (3) (4) (5) (6) (7) (8) Abut

		(1)	Erosion at Contact eroded quarte at left abutment, midway
			on downstream slope
		(2)	Seepage Along Contact minor Seepage (wet areas) at both
			abutments - bedrock is intact
3)	<u>Dra</u>	inage	System
	a.	Desc	ription of System <u>none</u>
			
	b.	Cond	ition of System
	c.	Disc.	harge from Drainage System
4)	Ins	trume	ntation (Momumentation/Surveys, Observation Wells, Weirs,
	Pı	ezome	ters, Etc.) <u>none</u>
			

5)	Res	<u>servoir</u>						
	а.	es <u>Steep wooded slopes - Shallow bedrock</u>						
	b.	Sedimentation conditions not visible, but siltation has been a						
		problem in the past - Silt Dam built upstream to intercept sedimen						
	c.	Unusual Conditions Which Affect Dam						
6)	Are	ea Downstream of Dam						
	a.	Downstream Hazard (No. of Homes, Highways, etc.) 2.5 miles to downtow Ithoca - little attenuation of flood flow in gorge downstream of d						
	b.	Seepage, Unusual Growth <u>none in channel</u>						
	c.	Evidence of Movement Beyond Toe of Dam <u>none visible</u>						
	d.	Condition of Downstream Channel <u>steep bedrock walls</u> , <u>some loose</u> blocks of rock in floor						
7)	Spillway(s) (Including Discharge Conveyance Channel)							
		ogee weir near top of dam-discharge flows onto downstream						
		face and into bedrock channel						
	a.	General condition is satisfactory except discharge is contributing to erosion of quaite on downstream face and toe of dam						
		10 erosion or gonne on downstream race and roe or warn						
	b.	Condition of Service Spillway good- no visible cracks or voids-						
		crest is clear of debris and obstructions						

c.	Condition of Auxiliary Spillway none
đ.	Condition of Discharge Conveyance Channel good-Shale bedrock
	on sides and in bottom- some loose rock could be
	picked up during flood flows
Res	ervoir Drain/Outlet
	Type: Pipe Conduit 0ther
	Material: Concrete Metal <u>\(\cost iron \)</u> Other
	Size: 72-inch dia. Length 45.5 feet
	Invert Elevations: Entrance 647.0 Exit 647.0
	Physical Condition (Describe): Unobservable
	Material:
	Joints: Alignment
	Structural Integrity:
	Hydraulic Capability:
	Means of Control: Gate Valve Uncontrolled
	Operation: Operable Inoperable Other <u>Since</u>
	Present Condition (Describe): <u>submerged</u> at the upstream
	end of the outlet

9)

Str	<u>uctural</u>
a.	Concrete Surfaces concrete of dam covered with qunite which is
	eroded in places (see page 3) - also concrete on gatehouse is
	eroded at water line - concrete is eroded around water
	pipe downstreem of dam
b.	Structural Cracking hairline cracks in qunite visible on top
	and upstream face of dam-also around bulge on
	downstream face
c.	Movement - Horizontal & Vertical Alignment (Settlement) <u>none visible</u>
đ.	Junctions with Abutments or Embankments <u>generally Satisfactory</u>
	but close inspection not possible due to lack of access
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e.	Drains - Foundation, Joint, Face no drainage system visible
f.	Water Passages, Conduits, Sluices outlet not inspected - visible
	sections of water supply pipe are in satisfactory condition,
	no significant corrosion, joints tight
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g.	Seepage or Leakage minor wet areas on bedrock at both
	abutments

joint	s - Construction, etc. <u>none visible</u>
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ound	lation N/A - bedrock
butn	nents N/A - bedrock
`ontr	rol Gates <u>submerged - not inspected</u>
	or deed <u>Jaomeryta no. mspecreae</u>
Appro	each & Outlet Channels N/A - natural channels
Energ	y Dissipators (Plunge Pool, etc.) <u>none</u>
ntak	se Structures <u>none</u>
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Stabi	lity
lisce	ellaneous

10)	App	urtenant Structures (Power House, Lock, Gatehouse, Other)
	a.	Description and Condition
		Gatehouse - foundation made of poured concrete,
		Superstructure is concrete blocks - concrete on
		exterior is eroded at water line - minor vertical
		cracks in superstructure
11)	0pe	ration Procedures (Lake Level Regulation):
		Reservoir is regulated downstream at water treatment plant.

APPENDIX C

HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC ENGINEERING DATA AND COMPUTATIONS

CHECK LIST FOR DAMS HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC ENGINEERING DATA

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AREA-CAPACITY DATA:

		Elevation (ft.)	Surface Area (acres)	Storage Capacity (acre-ft.)
1)	Top of Dam	715.5	47	1290
2)	Design High Water (Max. Design Pool)	unknown		
3)	Auxiliary Spillway Crest	N/A_		
4)	Pool Level with Flashboards	N/A_		•
5)	Service Spillway Crest	705.0	47	800

DISCHARGES

		Volume (cfs)
1)	Average Daily	unKnown
2)	Spillway @ Maximum High Water	10,450
3)	Spillway @ Design High Water	N/A
4)	Spillway @ Auxiliary Spillway Crest Elevation	N/A
5)	Low Level Outlet (72" pipe, W5 El. 705)	1,044
6)	Total (of all facilities) @ Maximum High Water	11,494
7)	Maximum Known Flood (reservoir El 709.1)	3,240
8)	At Time of Inspection (reservoir El 705.1)	±10

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CREST:	ELEV	ATION: 7/5.5
Type: broad-cres	ted; concrete with gunite	surface
Width: <u>8.5 feet</u>	Length:	220 feet
Spillover <u>Service</u>	Spillway	
Location <u>center</u>	of dam	
SPILLWAY:		
SERVICE		AUXILIARY
705.0	Elevation	
ungated ogee weir	Туре	
100 feet		
	Type of Control	
	Uncontrolled	
	Controlled:	
	Туре	
	(Flashboards; gate)	
	Number	<u>-</u>
	Size/Length	
	Invert Material	
	Anticipated Length of operating service	
N/A	Chute Length	
vertical upstream face of dam	Height Between Spillway Crest & Approach Channel Invert (Weir Flow)	

	
ecords:	
Date -	
Max. Reading -	
WATER CONTROL SYSTEM:	
Jarning System: <u>none</u>	

93-15-4(9/80)

DRAINAGE AREA: 45.6 Sg.mi. (29,184 acres)						
DRAINAGE BASIN RUNOFF CHARACTERISTICS:						
Terrain - Relief: drainways-flat slopes; hillsides - steep slopes						
Runoff Potential (existing or planned extensive alterations to existing (surface or subsurface conditions)						
runoff will flow downstream to Sixmile Creek Reservoir						
Potential Sedimentation problem areas (natural or man-made; present or futur						
sedimentation a problem in the past-Silt Dam built						
upstream in 1925 to control sedimentation						
Potential Backwater problem areas for levels at maximum storage capacity including surcharge storage:						
backwater will inundate Silt Dam located						
about 0.4 mi. upstream of Ithace Reservoir						
Dikes - Floodwalls (overflow & non-overflow) - Low reaches along the Reservoir perimeter:						
Location: <u>none</u>						
Elevation:						
Reservoir:						
Length @ Maximum Pool £ 0.4 (Miles)						
Length of Shoreline (@ Spillway Crest) ± 1.2 (Miles)						

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DRAINAGE AREA = 45.6 50 mi

Impervious areas include

reservoir surface

47 acres

The ration of impervious area to total area is

47 00/640 00/50 mi = 0.0016

WATERSHED PARAMETERS

Snyder Unit Hydrografh Log time tp: (4 (LLc)0.3

Where Ct: 20 L: 15.92 mi Lc: 6.26 mi

tp = 20 (15.92 · 6.26) = 7.95 kms.

Unit rainfall duration

tr : tp/5.5

= 7.95/5.5 = 1.45 hrs

adjusted tr : 0.5 M

Adjusted lag time

tpe: tp + 0.25 (te-tp)

= 7.95 + 0.25 (0.5 - 1.45) = 7.71 hrs

Peaking coefficient. 6 = 0.6

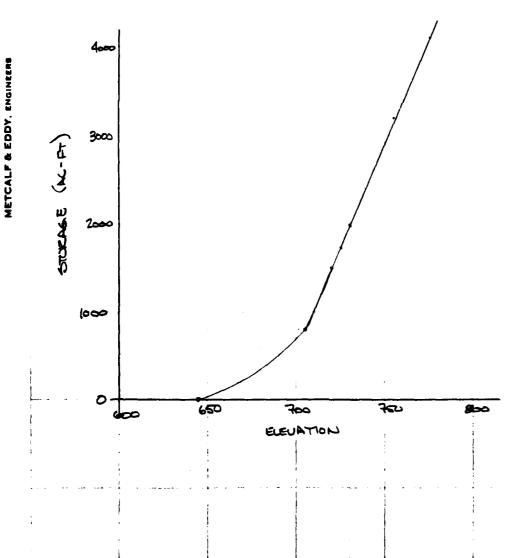
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BASE FLOW

Based on fall Creek at 14haca 04234000, average August 1980 flow from 126 somi is 422 cfs : at 14haca reservoir

Using other dam inspection reports, RTIDR = 1.5 and ORCSN = 15%

STORAGE. Based on the assumption that the surface area will not significantly increase with changes in pool elevation. above the spillway.



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Spilling The spilling is a concrete, one overflow weir.

Discharge can be calculated using the equation

Q. CLH3/2

Where C: 3.97 -> refer to "Open - Channel Flow" by Henderson.

LOW LEVEL CUTLET

Calculate discharge capacity of 12" of outlet:

Water surface el 705 (spillway crest) Down stream invert el 647

Use the energy egn to determine discharge

losses:

entrance
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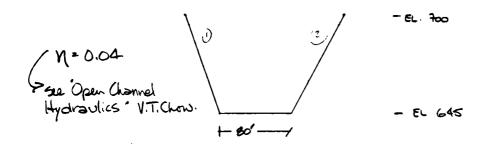
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Substituting into ega-

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DISCHARGE - DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL

Channel is most narrow directly downstream of the dam. Calculate the discharge for the toil water elevation.

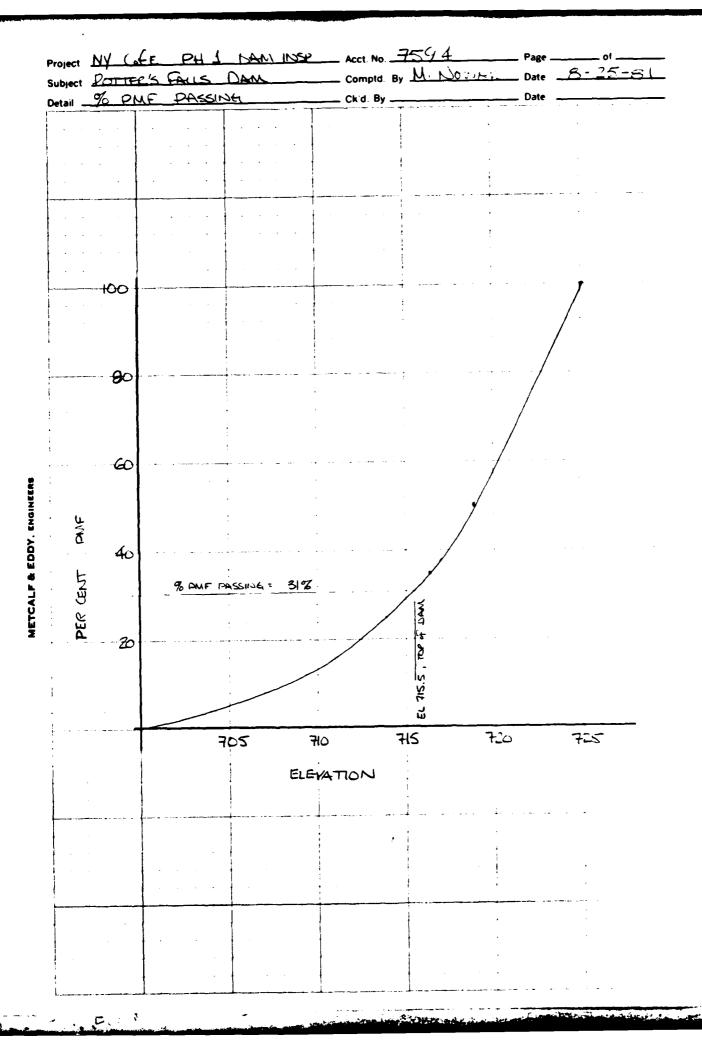


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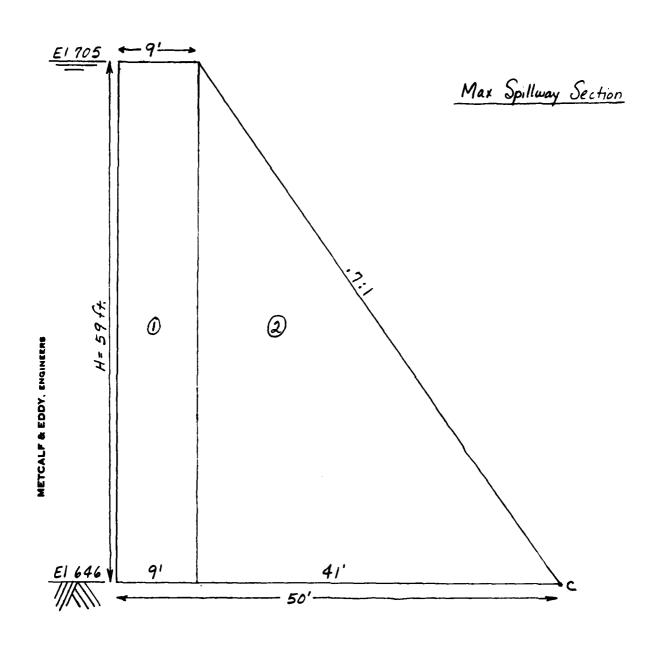
SUMMARY OF DAM SAFETY ANALYSIS

	FIRE OF FAILURE HOURS	0000
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APPENDIX D
STRUCTURAL STABILITY

Project Physe I-N. / Acct. No. 7594 Page / of 5
Subject Potters Falls Dam Comptd. By EMG Date 7/29/R1

Detail Stability Angl. Ck'd. By CFS Date



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Project	Phase I-	UY Dams	Acct. No	1594	Page _	<u> 3 01 5 </u>
Subject	Potters 1	Falls Dam	Comptd. By	Sweet	Date	
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Analysis Conditions

- 1. Normal conditions:

 water surface at crest of spillway
- 2. Winter Conditions:

 level at crest of spillway with

 ice 2 feet thick
- 3. Flood Conditions:

 water Surface at top

 of dam.
- 4. Normal Conditions with Seismic Coefficient of O.1

STABILITY ANALYSIS PROGRAM - NORK SHEET

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Unit Weight of Dam (K/ft ³)	0	0.14	0.14	0.14	0.14	5
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Area of Segment No. 2 (ft ²)	3	1210	1210	1210	1210	
Distance from Center of Gravity of Segment No. 2 to Downstream Toe (ft)	4	27.3	27.3	27.3	27.3	
Area of Segment No. 3 (ft ²)	5	_		_		
Distance from Center of Gravity of Segment No. 3 to Downstream Toe (ft)	6			-		
Base Width of Dam (Total) (ft)	.7	50	50	50	50	
Height of Dam (ft)	. 8	59	59	59	59	
Ice Loading (K/L ft.)	9	- .	5	—	- 1	
Coefficient of Sliding	10	0.55	0.55	0.55	0.55	
Unit Weight of Soil (K/ft3) (deduct 18)	11	· <u>··</u>				
Active Soil Coefficient - Ka	12					
Passive Soil Coefficient - Kp	13			<u>'</u>		
Height of Water over Top of Dam or Spillway (ft)	14			10.5		
Height of Soil for Active Pressure (ft)	15					
Height of Soil for Passive Pressure (ft)	16.	 .				
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Area of Segment No. 4 (ft ²)	19				_	
Distance from Center of Gravity of Segment No. 4 to Downstream Toe (ft)	20					
 Height of Ice Load or Active Water (ft) (does not include 14) 	46	59'	591	69.5	591	
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RESULTS OF ANALYSIS	•					
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APPENDIX E

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NEW YORK STATE DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL CONSERVATION DAM INSPECTION REPORT

(By Visual Inspection) CITY of ITHACA

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Dam	Number	River Basin	Town	County	Hazard Class*	& Inspector	
_7	12	Osweso	ITHACA	Tompkins	<u> </u>	11/20/76 B.C.	
	Type of (Construction			<u>Use</u>		
	☐ Earth w/concrete spillway Water Supply					oly	
	Earth w/drop inlet pipe Power						
	Earth w/stone or riprap spillway Recreation						
	Concrete	2			Fish and W	/ildlife	
	Stone				Farm Pond		
. 🗆	Timber			•	No Apparer	nt Use-Abandoned	
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Ē	stimated	Impoundment Size	<u>e</u>	Estimate	ed Height of Dam a	bove Streambed	
□.	1.	-5 acres			Under 1	0 feet	
	5.	-10 acres			10-25 1		
	01	ver 10 acres (15.	ACRES)		Over 25	feet 64FT.	
				260,0	00,000 Gals.		
			Condition	of Spillway			
X	Service	satisfactory		. 🗆	Auxiliary satisfa	ictory	
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•	Explain: With 4" of water going over spillway there are some syrface cracks Should reinspect at low flows to see if there are any bad cracks or leaks						
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اسا	The field of repair of manner mapping.						
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OK	inspected 7/30/79 KOH Evaluation (From Visual Inspection)						
·	No defects observed beyond normal maintenance						
Repairs required beyond normal maintenance							
*Explain Hazard Class, if Necessary Reinspect Summer 77 during how Flows							
"C" HAZARD . Lowbood business of homes in ITHAM would be fluded it down weatout							

Potters Falls Dam. Fill out a form as complete as possible for each dam in your district and send to State Conservation Commission, Albany, N. Y. 1. Name and address of owners. Ithaca Water Works Co. Ithaca M.Y. 2. Date of constructionJune 1913. 3. Uses of impounded water City Water Nain. 4. Character of foundation bed......Rock. 5. Material of waste spill ____Concrete. 6. Length of waste and depth below dam Waste 100ft, Depth below dam 6ft. 7. Total length of dam including waste. I30ft. 8. Material of dam Concrete and Steel. 9. Discharges, size and location Iron pipe at bottom of Dam 3ft. in diamater. .Two miles to City Filter plant. Below sketch section of waste and section of dam, with greatest heights and top thickness and bottom thickness. On opposite side sketch general plan of dam and give distance from a bridge or from a tributary stream. 130 pt lang Thickness 5 ft Base 50 Ithora My. Fieb 12 # 1913

In ro Potters Falls Dam #722 Oswego-Senoca Watershed.

Donald F. McLeod, Esq.,

City Engineer,

Ithaca, E. Y.

717 Comment

Dear Sir:-

I visited the above dam on October 26th and it appeared to be of good proportions and run well into the rock at the side. I regretted, however, to see it built up at an angle of about 45 degrees for the entire length instead of keeping the top of work horizontal. The sand was not a good quality, one-half being composed of 3/8 to 3/4 inch stones and the other half of poorly washed screenings. I suggest that this be washed better and a test be made to be sure that the voids are filled; if not additional sand should be added.

I further suggest to bond each day's work to the preceding days by longitudinal and vertical grooves formed by 6×8 joint smoothed and battered built into the concrete.

We should like to receive, for the files of this office, plans, sections and elevations of this dam and of all other dams owned or controlled by the City.

Very truly yours,

Inspector of Dans and Docks.

!feK/C.

Osacgo - Ithaca

Potters Falls dam situated on Six Mile Creek.

Used for water supply purposes for the City of Ithaca.

Built of reinforced concrete 9 feet top width, 46 feet bottom width, 64 feet high, 197 feet long.

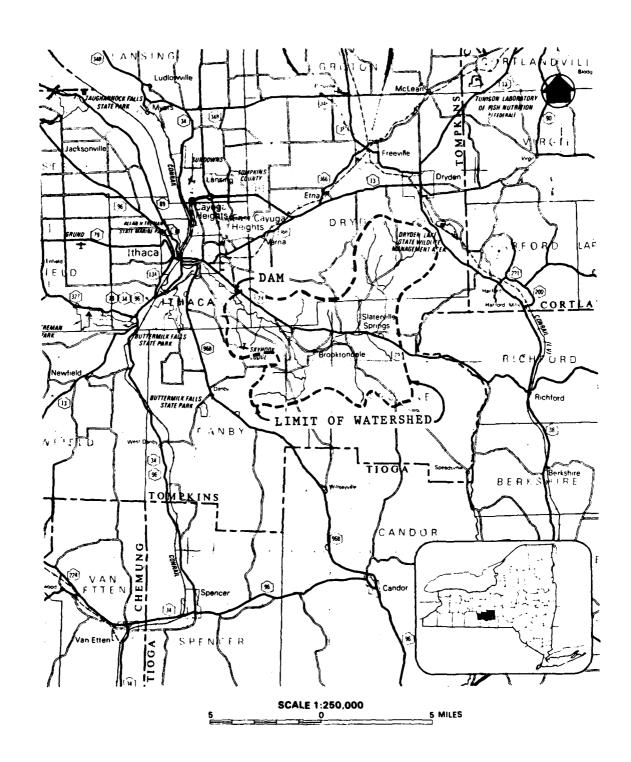
Inspected October 26, 1911.

Concrete work about finished.

Comment: The concrete work was built up at about an angle of 43 degrees for the entire length of the dam instead of building same up in horizontal layers. Sand was not a good quality 1/2 being composed of 3/3 to 3/4 inch stones and the other half of poorly washed screenings; the portions of concrete being 2 of cement, 4 of sand and 7 of broken stone about 2 1/2 inch size.

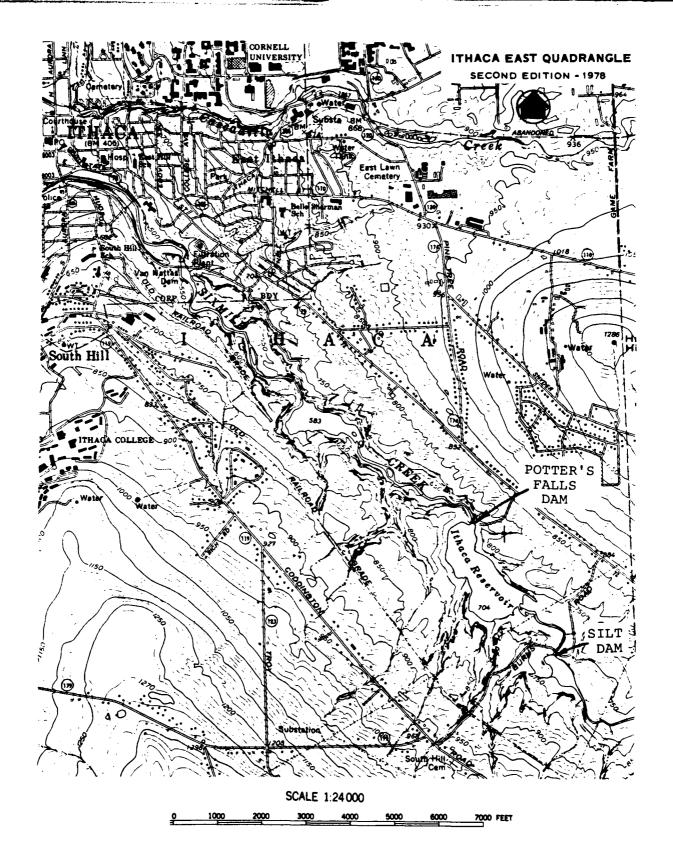
As at present mixed the sand would be better washed. Where necessary to fill the voids a large proportion of sand should be added. Also there should be better bonding between the different day's work longitudinally - horizontally and vertically by grooves.

APPENDIX G DRAWINGS



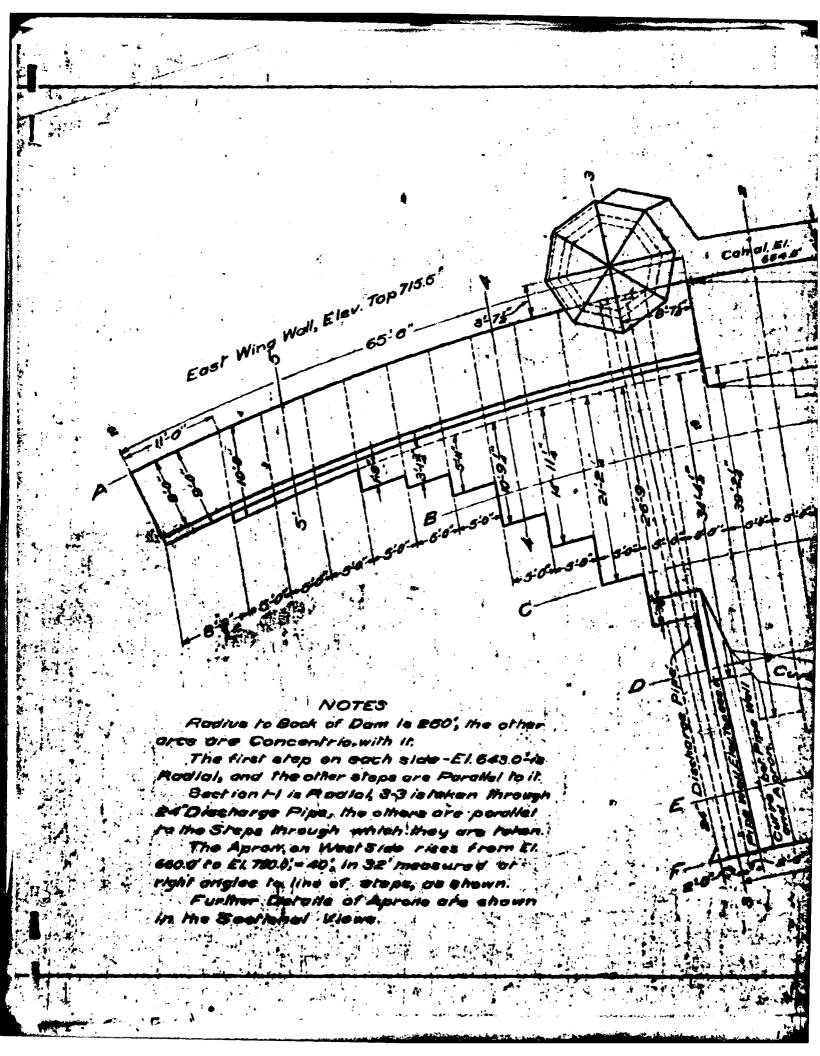
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POTTER'S FALLS DAM ID No. NY 378

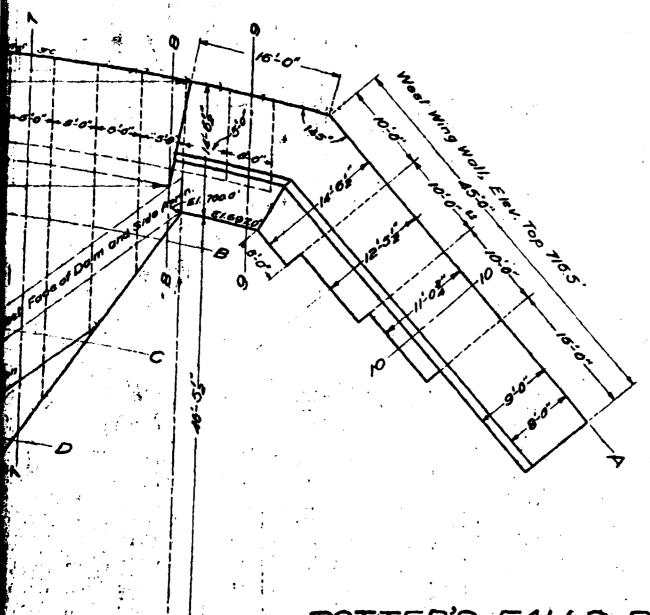


TOPOGRAPHIC MAP

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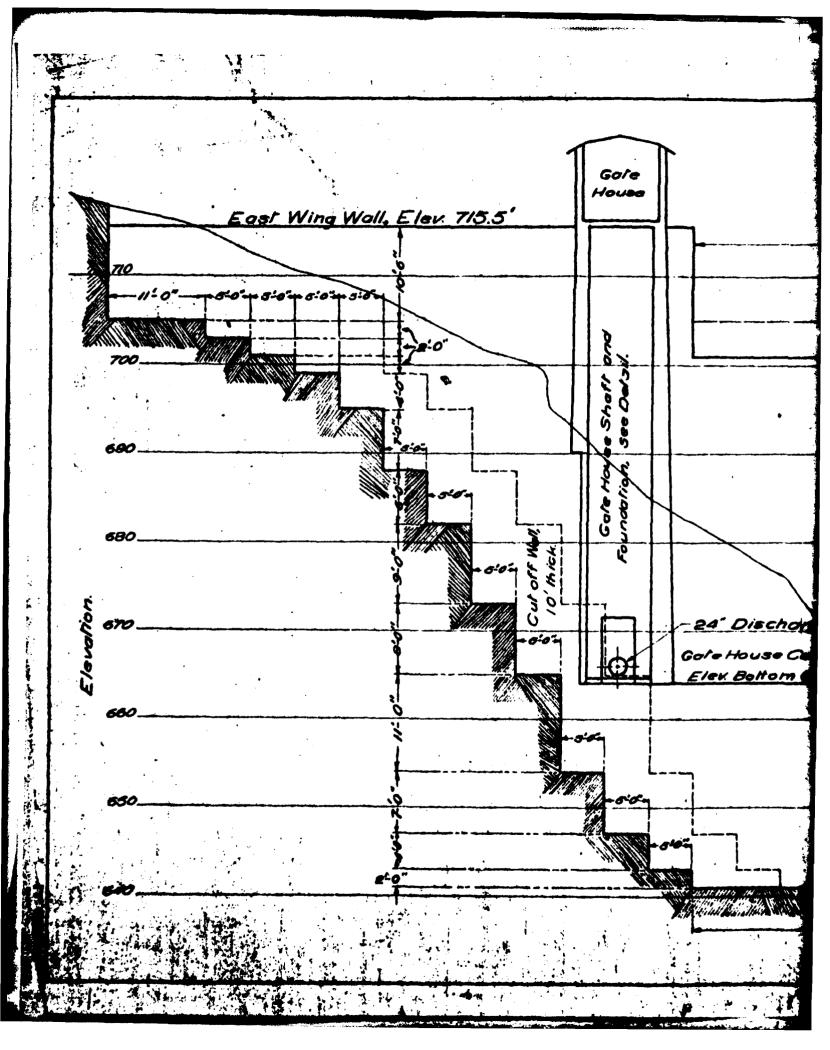


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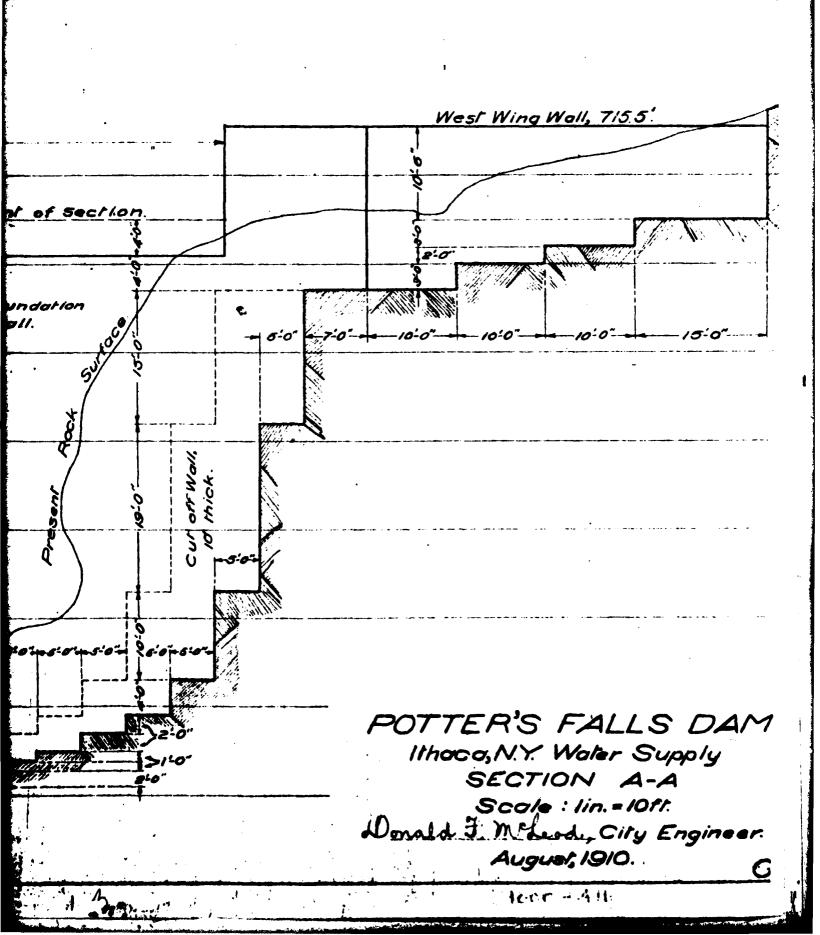
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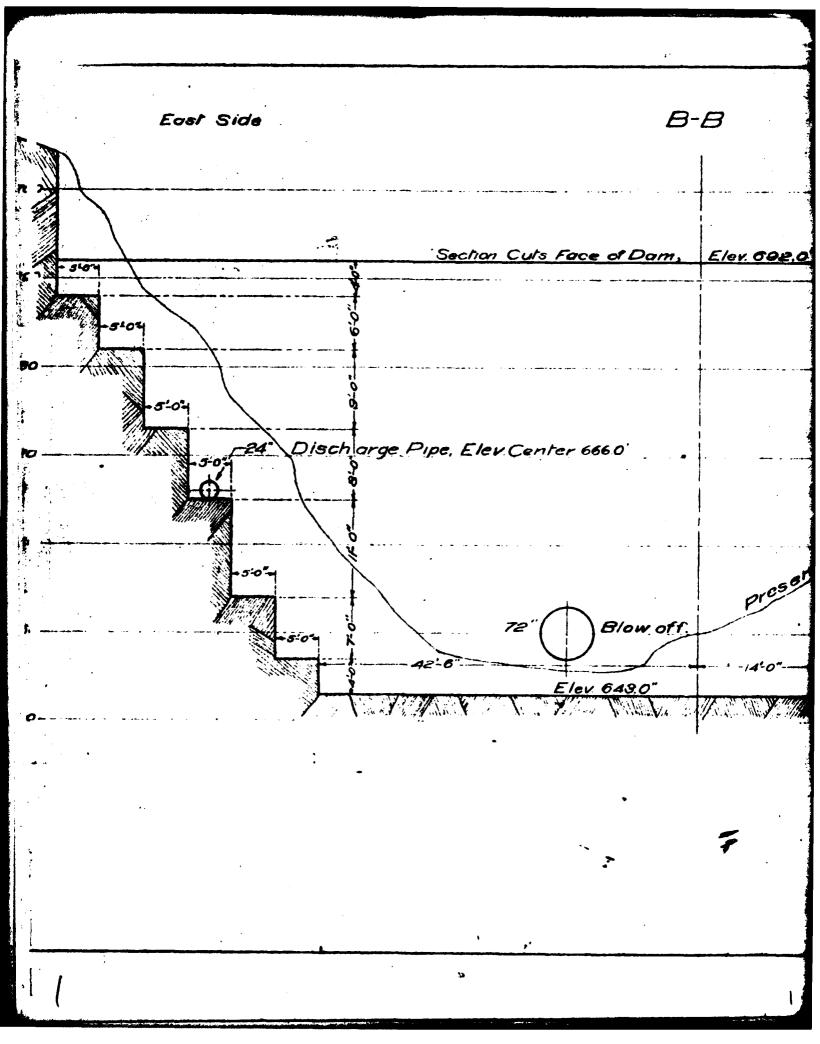
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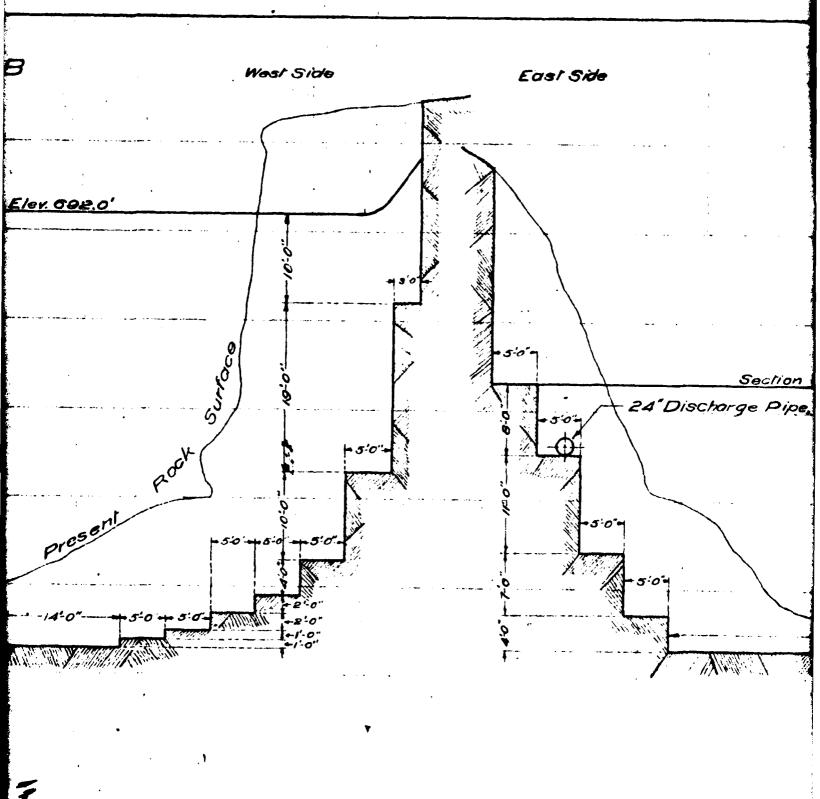
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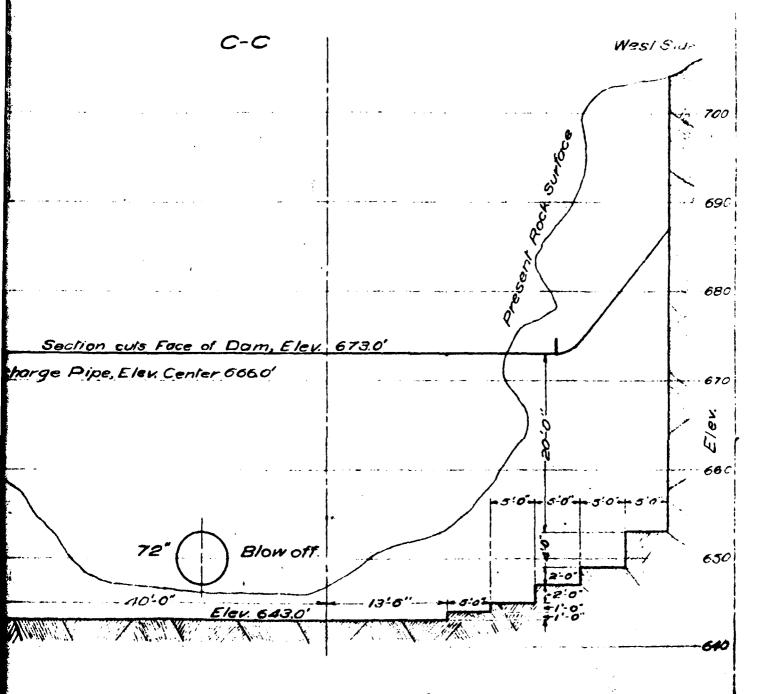


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POTTER'S FALLS DAM

Ithaca, NY Water Supply

SECTIONS B-B AND C-C

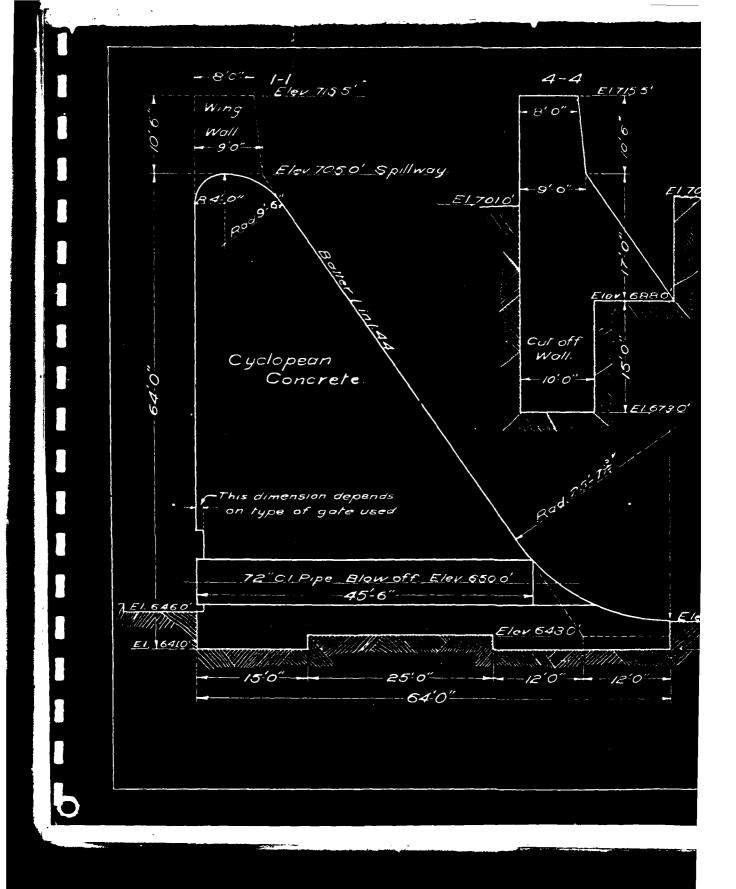
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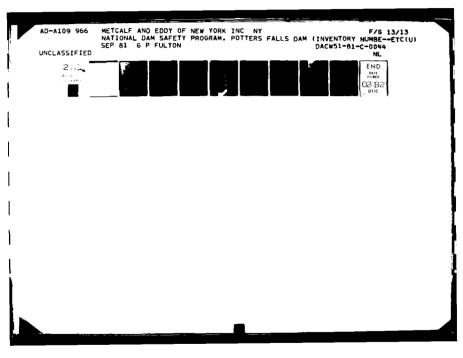
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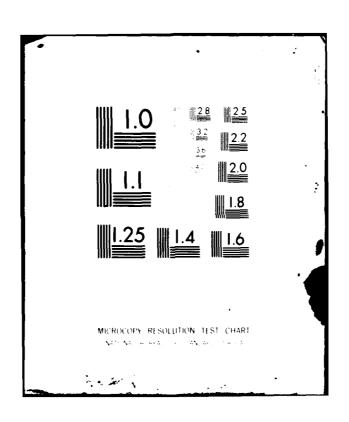
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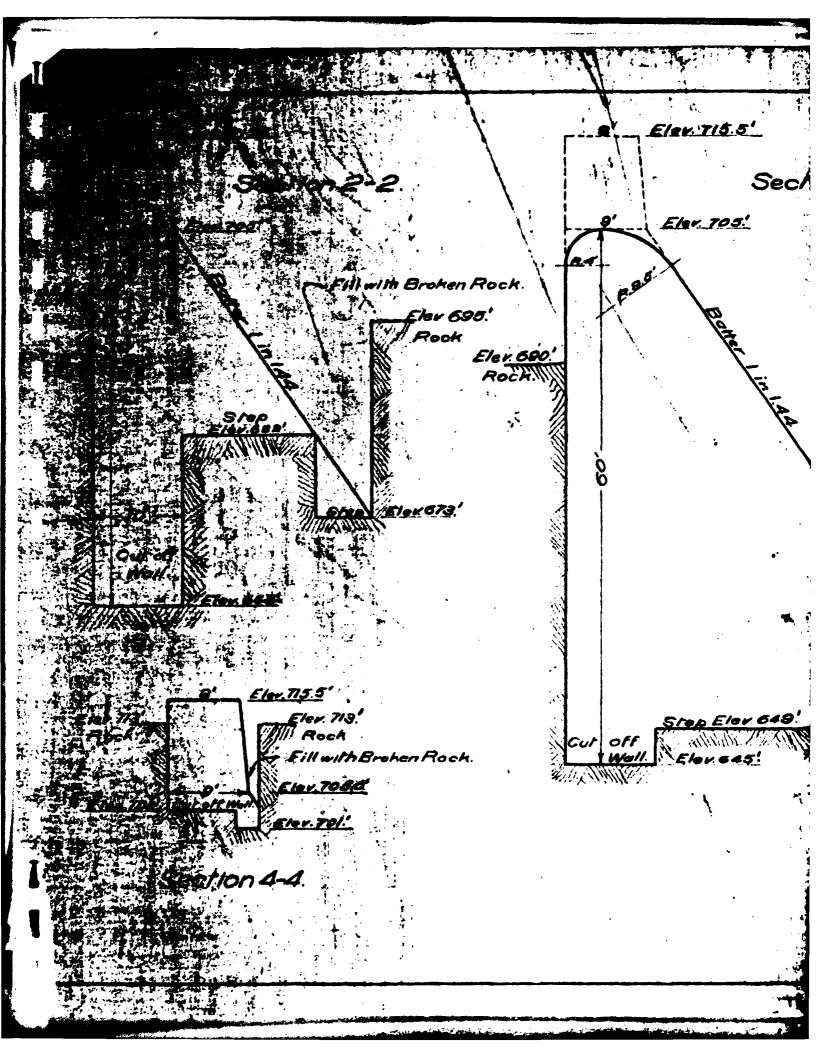
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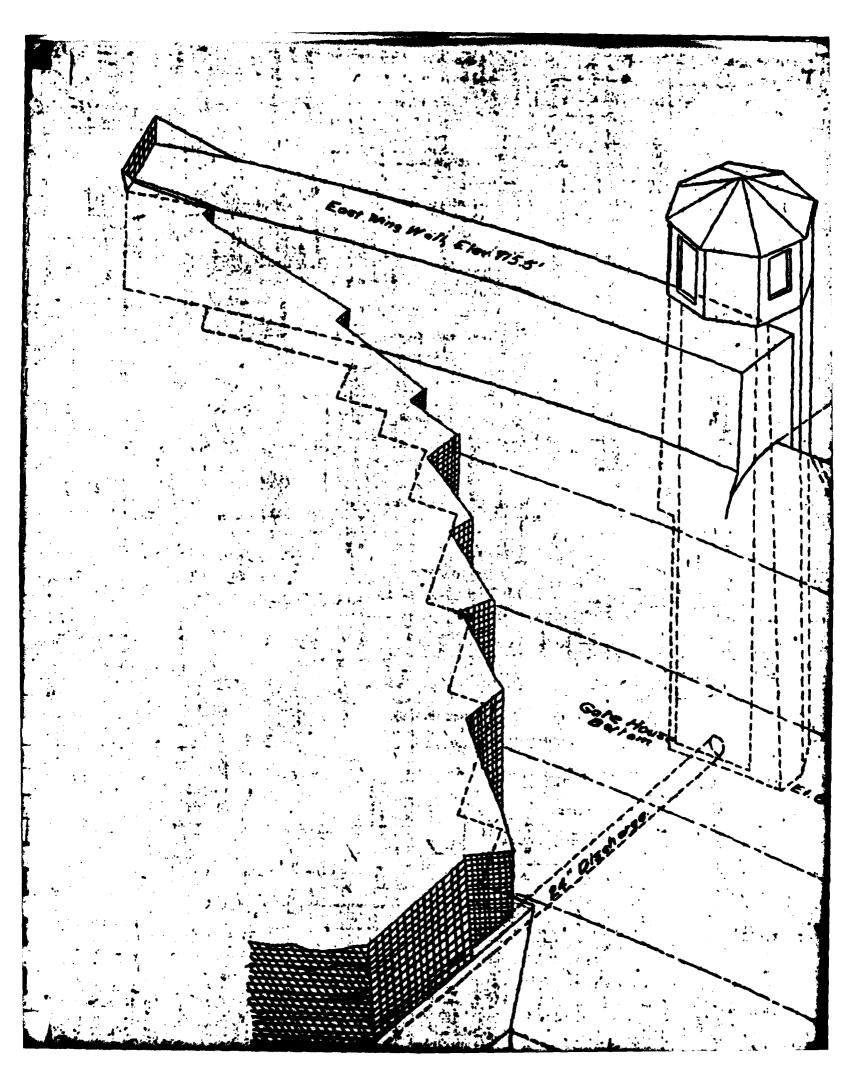
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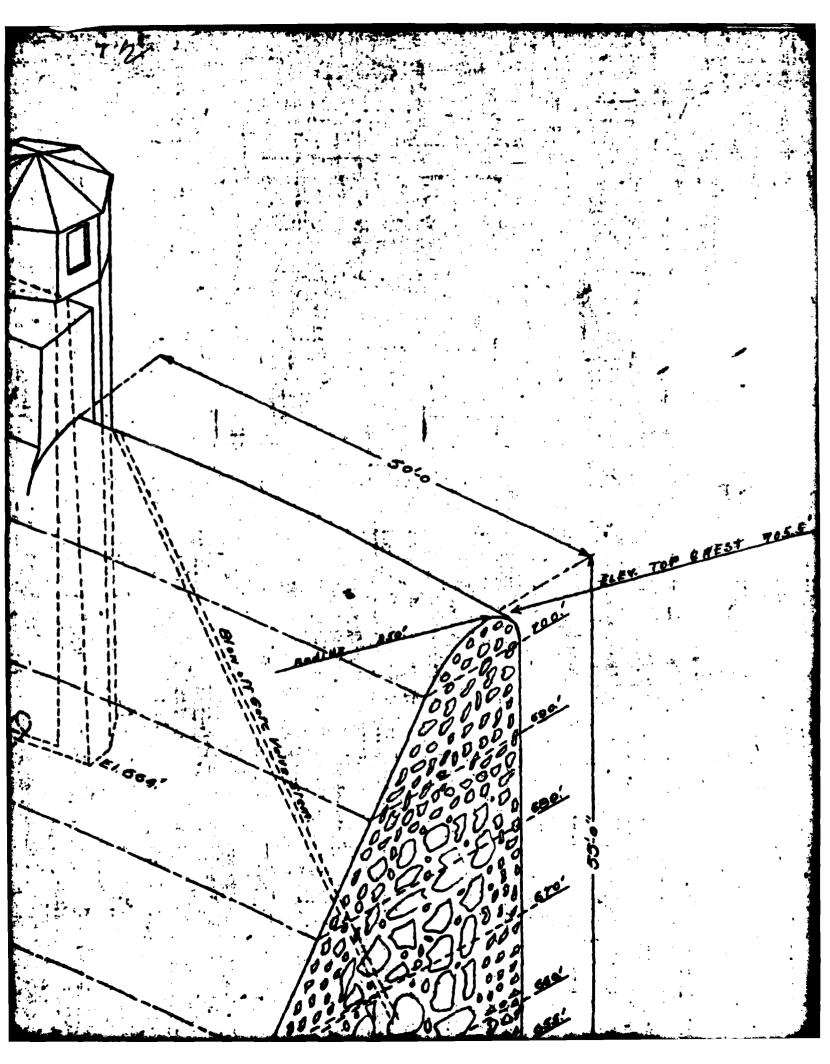
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POTTER'S FALLS DAM DETAIL OF SECTIONS AND PINNING. Scales: /"=10ft, and /=1ft. July, 1910.

City Engineer --

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