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(CT 00108)  
and  
POPPS MOUNTAIN DIKE  
(CT 00022)

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Honorable Ella T. Grasso  
Governor of the State of Connecticut  
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Hartford, Connecticut 06115

Dear Governor Grasso:

I am forwarding to you a copy of the Samuel P. Senior Reservoir Dam and Popp Mountain Dike Phase I Inspection Report, which was prepared under the National Program for Inspection of Non-Federal Dams. This report is presented for your use and is based upon a visual inspection, a review of the past performance and a brief hydrological study of the dam. A brief assessment is included at the beginning of the report. I have approved the report and support the findings and recommendations described in Section 7 and ask that you keep me informed of the actions taken to implement them. This follow-up action is a vitally important part of this program.

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Department of Environmental Protection, the cooperating agency for the State of Connecticut. In addition, a copy of the report has also been furnished the owner, Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, 835 Main Street, P.O. Box 702, Bridgeport, Connecticut 06609.

Copies of this report will be made available to the public, upon request, by this office under the Freedom of Information Act. In the case of this report the release date will be thirty days from the date of this letter.

I wish to take this opportunity to thank you and the Department of Environmental Protection for your cooperation in carrying out this program.

Sincerely yours,

*Max B. Scheider*

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## PHASE I REPORT

### NATIONAL DAM SAFETY PROGRAM

Name of Dam: SAMUEL P. SENIOR DAM

Name of Dike: POPPS MOUNTAIN DIKE

State Located: Connecticut

County Located: Fairfield County

Stream: Saugatuck River

Date of Inspection: 26 JULY 1978

### BRIEF ASSESSMENT

Samuel P. Senior Dam is a linear concrete gravity structure, 990 feet long, with a 300-foot spillway located at the west end of the dam. The spillway is concaved looking downstream and consists of several steps on the downstream side. An earthen embankment section on the downstream side of the dam begins 61 feet below the top of dam and has slopes varying from 2:1 to 3:1. The dam is approximately 110 feet above the streambed. Approximately 2,000 feet northeast of the dam, a concrete gravity dike 670 feet long is provided. The structural height of the dike is 36 feet.

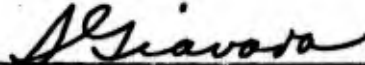
Based on the visual inspection of the site, review of available information and past performance of the dam, the dam is judged to be in good condition. There are surface patches of spalled concrete; however, no structural cracks were observed, nor was any visible evidence of abnormal settlements, heaving, deflections or lateral movements noted. The downstream berm is generally in good condition with no sloughing or wet spots noted. Based on the visual inspection of the site, review of available information and past performance of the dike, the dike is also judged to be in good condition. There are surface patches of spalled concrete; however, no structural cracks were observed, nor was any visible evidence of abnormal settlements, heaving, deflections or lateral movements noted.

The maximum spillway capacity at top of dam is 35 percent of the peak discharge rate of the test flood. Therefore, the test flood cannot be passed by the spillway without overtopping the dam. The overflow will be 2.7 feet above the top of the dam.

It is recommended that spalling at joints along the downstream face of the dam be repaired by the owner. Arrangements should be made to exercise the 48-inch blowoff periodically to ensure continued

serviceability. The owner should cut the trees and brush for a distance of 25 feet downstream of the dam and dike, ensuring that the tree roots are removed and the resulting holes are replaced with proper backfill. Because of the location of the dam, upstream of a populated area, round-the-clock surveillance should be provided during periods of high precipitation. The owner should develop a formal warning system and an operational procedure to follow in the event of an emergency.

Recommendations and remedial measures described should be implemented by the owner within 2 years after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.

  
S. Giavara, P.E.  
Principal

Registered, CT 7634

This Phase I Inspection Report on Poppo Mountain Dike has been reviewed by the undersigned Review Board members. In our opinion, the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations are consistent with the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, and with good engineering judgment and practice, and is hereby submitted for approval.

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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 continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conditions be detected.

Phase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the 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 aid in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic and hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition and the downstream damage potential.



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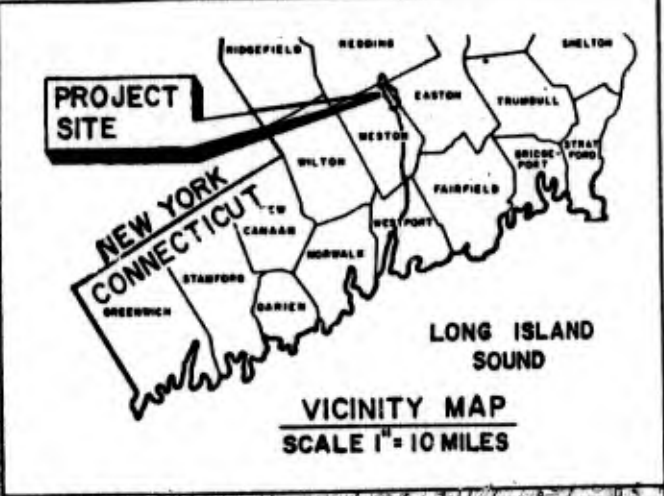
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SAMUEL P. SENIOR DAM



**LOCATION MAP**  
**SAUGATUCK RESERVOIR DAM**  
**AND**  
**POPPS MOUNTAIN DIKE**  
**WESTON - EASTON , CONNECTICUT**

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT  
SAMUEL P. SENIOR DAM CT 00108

SECTION 1 - PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 GENERAL:

a. Authority. Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972, authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a national program of dam inspection through the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. Flaherty Giavara Associates, P.C. has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of Connecticut. Authorization and notice to proceed was issued to Flaherty Giavara Associates, P.C. under a letter of 25 April 1978 from Ralph T. Garver, Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW33-78-0309 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

b. Purpose:

1) Perform technical inspection and evaluation of non-federal dams to identify conditions which threaten the public safety and thus permit correction in a timely manner by non-federal interests.

2) Encourage and assist the States to initiate quickly effective dam safety programs for non-federal dams.

3) To update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

1.2 DESCRIPTION OF PROJECT:

a. Description of Dam and Appurtenances. The Samuel P. Senior Dam, popularly known as the Saugatuck Reservoir Dam, is a linear concrete gravity structure, 990 feet long, with a 300-foot spillway located at the west end of the dam. The spillway is concaved looking downstream and consists of several steps on the downstream side whereupon the water is channeled into a 60-foot wide spillway channel until it discharges into the Saugatuck River some 400 feet downstream of the dam. An earthen embankment section on the downstream side of the dam begins at elevation 225, 61 feet below the top of dam, has a 16-foot wide top width and a 2:1 (horizontal) slope to elevation 200, then a 2-1/2:1 slope to elevation 190 and finally a 3:1 slope to elevation 182.

The top of the dam is about 11 feet wide, with a railing on both the upstream and downstream sides. The dam is approximately 110 feet above the streambed. An intake structure is located in the eastern portion of the dam, equipped with 6 48-inch influent sluice gates at various elevations. From the intake structure, a 36-inch pipe supplies water to the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company's facilities while a 48-inch lined tunnel can divert water to Hemlock Reservoir. Also, from the intake structure, a 48-inch blow off and 2 8-inch drains pass through the dam to a lower gate house and then terminate at a concrete endwall to discharge into the Saugatuck River. An additional 8-inch drain is provided between the lower gate house and this endwall. A linear concrete gravity dike 670 feet long north of the dam is also provided.

b. Location. The Samuel P. Senior Dam is located on the Saugatuck River, within the Connecticut Western Coastal Area in the Town of Weston. The dam is approximately 7 miles north of the Town of Westport. The concrete dike is about 2,000 feet north of the dam on the east side of reservoir in the Town of Easton.

c. Size Classification. The applicable guidelines indicate that for a large size classification the height of dam must be greater than or equal to 100 feet. The Samuel P. Senior Dam is 110 feet above the streambed. Therefore, the dam is classified as large. The applicable guidelines also indicate that for an intermediate category the storage (in acre-feet) for the impoundment must be greater than or equal to 1,000 and less than 50,000. The top of dike storage is 42,000 acre-feet and therefore the dike is classified as intermediate.

d. Hazard Classification. The dam is classified as having a high hazard potential. More than 100 houses are located in the area that could be affected by a dam failure flood wave. The same area would be affected by a dike failure flood wave.

e. Ownership. Samuel P. Senior Dam and Popps Mountain Dike are owned by the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company, having its headquarters in Bridgeport, Connecticut.

f. Purpose of Dam. The dam was constructed to form an impounding reservoir. The reservoir forms part of the water company's supply and distribution system, providing potable water to the residents of the Greater Bridgeport area. Draw-off water can also be diverted to Hemlock Reservoir as needed.

g. Design and Construction History. The dam and dike were built around 1941. They were designed by Clarence M. Blair, Inc. of New Haven, Connecticut. The Bridgeport Hydraulic Company constructed the dam and dike with its own forces.

h. Normal Operating Procedures. Water is withdrawn at various depths from the intake structure and then conveyed to the distribution system through a 36-inch supply pipe. When needed, water can also be withdrawn and diverted to Hemlock Reservoir through a lined tunnel. An 8" drain pipe in the intake structure is used to maintain a continuous flow in the Saugatuck River.

1.3 PERTINENT DATA:

a. <u>Drainage Area</u> -	34.6 sq. miles
b. <u>Discharge at Dam Site</u> -	
Maximum Known Flood	Unknown
Warm Water Outlet	Not Available
Div. Tunnel Low Pool Outlet	Not Available
Diversion Tunnel Outlet	Not Available
Gated Spillway	None
Ungated Spillway at Max. Pool	11,900 CFS @ 1 Ft. freeboard
Total Spillway Cap. at Max. Pool	15,600 CFS @ no freeboard
c. <u>Elevation (above M.S.L.)</u> -	
Top of Dam	286
Max. Design Pool	Not Available
Full Flood Control Pool	Not Available
Recreation Pool	Not Available
Spillway Crest Ungated	280
Upstream Portal Invert. Div. Tunnel	Not Available
Downstream Portal Invert. Div. Tunnel	Not Available
Streambed at Centerline of Dam	170+
Maximum Tailwater	Unknown
d. <u>Reservoir</u> -	
Length of Max. Pool	18,500 feet
Length of Recreation Pool	Not Applicable
Length of Flood Control Pool	Not Applicable
e. <u>Storage</u> -	
Recreation Pool	Not Applicable
Flood Control Pool	Not Applicable
Design Surcharge	Not Applicable
Top of Dam	42,000 Acre-Feet
f. <u>Reservoir Surface (acres)</u> -	
Top of Dam	Not Available
Max. Pool	Not Available
Flood Control Pool	Not Applicable
Recreation Pool	Not Applicable
Spillway Crest	868



g. Dam -

Type: Linear concrete gravity  
Length: 990 feet  
Height: 130 feet  
Top Width: 11 feet  
Side Slopes: Downstream: 1 vertical to 0.7 horizontal  
Upstream: 1 vertical to 0.05 horizontal  
Impervious Core: Not Applicable  
Grout Curtain: Unknown

h. Dike -

Type: Linear concrete gravity  
Length: 665 feet  
Height: 36 feet  
Top Width: 6'-8"  
Side Slopes: Downstream: 1 vertical to 0.65 horizontal  
Upstream: 1 vertical to 0.05 horizontal  
Zoning: Concrete  
Impervious Core: Not Applicable  
Grout Curtain: Unknown

h. Diversion and Regulating Tunnel -

Type: Lined tunnel  
Length: 1-1/2 miles  
Diameter: 48 inch  
Access: Intake Structure  
Regulation: Sluice Gate

i. Spillway -

Type: Ogee  
Length of Weir: 295 feet  
Crest Elevation: 280  
Gates: Ungated  
Upstream Channel: Reservoir  
Downstream Channel: Concrete  
Spillway is founded on: Bedrock

j. Regulating Outlets -

Gates: None  
Conduits: 36" diameter cast iron supply pipe  
48" diameter blow off pipe, cast iron

## SECTION 2 - ENGINEERING DATA

### 2.1 DESIGN:

The design of the dam and dike was made by Clarence M. Blair, Inc. of New Haven, Connecticut in 1939. Pertinent sections of the following information have been utilized in this report.

a. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Saugatuck Development - General Plan at Dam - 1939.

b. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Saugatuck Development - Contour Map of Dam Site - 1937.

c. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Saugatuck Development - Cross Sections of Dam and Spillway - 1937.

d. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Saugatuck Development - Plan of Gate House and Intakes - 1939.

e. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Saugatuck Dam Site - Results of Borings - March 15, 1920.

f. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. - Core Drill Boring at Saugatuck River - undated.

g. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. - Section proposed for Saugatuck Dam - 1937.

h. Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Saugatuck Development - Plan of Dam at Notch - Popp's Mountain - 1940.

The "As-Built" drawings for this project are on file at the State Library in Hartford, Connecticut. The basis of design for the project is unknown.

### 2.2 CONSTRUCTION:

Some construction records are available at the offices of the Bridgeport Hydraulic Company and in files maintained by the State Supervisor of Dam Maintenance in Hartford, Connecticut and a formal review of these records has been made. From the inspection report submitted by the Resident Engineer dated February 5, 1942, the following information was obtained:

"In preparing the foundation, which was gneiss rock the overburden was first stripped and then the rock was excavated until a firm solid foundation was reached. The

depth of necessary excavation varied considerably over the length of the dam as shown by the profile. The greater part of the foundation sloped upward from the heel to the toe but where this condition did not exist the rock was drilled and blasted to present a very rough and uneven surface.

"Between the easterly end of the dam and the gate house, after excavation had been carried to an apparently sound foundation, twenty grout holes were drilled into which grout was forced under pressure. This work was done as an additional precaution to insure a sound foundation as more rock excavation had been necessary over this area to reach what seemed to be a good bottom."

"The aggregate for the concrete contained in the dam was obtained from a gravel deposit in the reservoir bottom, where a crushing, screening and washing plant was set up. The screened and washed material was hauled from this plant to the mixing plant in trucks. The sand used all passed a #4 square mesh and the stone was screened into three sizes, varying from 1/4" to 6". "

Two classes of concrete were mixed, one called Class A which was used on all exposed faces of the dam for a width of 5 to 7 feet and the other called Class B which was used on the interior of the dam. "Cylinders 6" x 12" were made each day from concrete taken from the forms [tested by the Pittsburgh Testing Laboratory], which gave average strength of 2000# per square inch in 7 days and 4200# in twenty-eight days for Class A concrete and 1800# in seven days and 3700# in twenty-eight days for Class B concrete. "

"The dam was built in sections forty feet long except at the ends where the lengths were 45 feet and 48 feet. The gate house section, 69 feet in length, was constructed in two equal halves. For water stops in the joints, keys 12" x 24" spaced 10 feet apart were set at the ends of each section. Concrete was deposited in forms 4'-2" high and each lift of this height was placed in three courses. Before concrete was placed on any rock surface or on any concrete already in place all dirt, laitance and other foreign matter was removed by thoroughly washing and cleaning the surface." Extraordinary attention was paid to this cleaning because it was considered most important. The spillway was constructed in the same general way as the dam.

"An earth embankment was placed against the downstream face of the dam to elevation 235. This was composed of material excavated from the dam foundation and from the spillway channel and consisted mostly of rock. Special care was taken to have coarse material against the dam itself in order to provide proper drainage."

The foundation for the Dike was prepared in the same manner as that of the dam and the concrete consisted of the same materials. Expansion joints with keys were provided at forty foot intervals and the concrete was placed in the forms in 1-1/2 yard batches after having been mixed at the same mixing plant utilized for the dam.

Construction of the dam was carried out by Bridgeport Hydraulic Company forces.

### 2.3 OPERATION:

No formal operation records are available.

### 2.4 EVALUATION:

a. Availability. Available data was reviewed by members of the inspection team and office personnel and found to be generally accurate and complete.

b. Adequacy. The data available is adequate for the purposes of a Phase I investigation.

c. Validity. There is no reason to question the validity of the available data.

## SECTION 3 - VISUAL INSPECTION.

### 3.1 FINDINGS:

a. General. The structure appears to be in good condition, except for surface patches of spalled concrete. No structural cracks were observed, nor was any visible evidence of abnormal settlements, heaving, deflections or lateral movements noted. The downstream berm is generally in good condition with no sloughing or wet spots noted. The berm appeared to be relatively shallow in the vicinity of the right and left abutments.

Overall the spillway appeared to be in good condition; a crack was noted at the crest of the spillway where it meets the training wall.

#### b. Dam.

1) Upstream Face - At or above the water line, slight spalling was evident. Generally the concrete was in good condition.

2) Downstream Face - There was evidence of wet spots, staining, efflorescence and joint spalling at nearly every construction joint. From Station 1+90 to Station 2+30 about 30 feet above the berm there was a horizontal line of efflorescence at a horizontal pour joint. In the panel between Station 3+45 to 3+85, about 10 feet up from the top of the berm, there are four drilled holes about 2 inches in diameter, depth undetermined, spaced 3 to 4 feet apart horizontally, which were dry but showed evidence of efflorescence (the purpose of these holes is unknown). There was quite a bit of spalling below the holes and some slight spalling above them. The joint at Station 3+85 was wet and stained from about the berm to a height of 35 feet. For about 20 feet from the top of berm, the joint was badly spalled and quite deteriorated.

3) Spillway - The concrete in the spillway and steps was found to be in generally good condition. A crack was noted at the crest of the spillway, where it meets the training wall. Some surface spalling of the concrete steps was observed.

4) Earth Embankment - The downstream embankment is generally in good condition with no sloughing or wet spots noted. The berm is 15 feet wide at the top of the slope and slopes toward the concrete dam. There is a depression at each joint of the dam. The depressions are filled with stone. The berm appeared to be relatively shallow in the vicinity of the right and left abutments.

Approximately 150 feet downstream of the toe of the downstream berm is an extensive area of dumped riprap adjacent to the blow-off outlet works. The riprap has been covered with a thin veneer of soil which has been eroded away in several locations.

Several large depressions, approximately 3' x 4', exist in the flat grassed area downstream from the earth berm approximately 125 feet in the vicinity of Station 3+0 and 3+50. The depressions vary in depth between 6" to 15". Another depression, 2' x 2' x 1' deep, was located approximately 50 feet down on the berm slope in the vicinity of Station 2+29. The origin of these depressions is not known.

No animal burrows were encountered on the slopes of the downstream embankment.

c. Appurtenant Structures.

1) Spillway Channel - The spillway channel is in good condition. Low concrete walls on the right and left side of the channel are also in good condition. Layered mica gneiss bedrock is exposed in the bottom of the spillway channel from the spillway weir to the large pool at the end of the left concrete training wall. A small amount of seepage was noted in the channel floor. A rock fall has occurred in the upper part of the channel from its east bank, however, it does not restrict flow. The blow-off discharge structure is in excellent condition.

2) Upper Gate House - This structure, located on upstream face of dam, was clean and neat. Gates are reportedly operated once a year, and were inspected by divers in 1977 with minor repair work required at stem guides. There are cracks in the brickwork in the northwest, west, and southwest walls. The cracks are wide enough to allow daylight through in some places. The building has 100 amp, 240 volt electrical service for lights and a deicer which is located adjacent to the spillway.

3) Lower Gate House - This structure, on the downstream side of the dam, is in good condition, but is subject to condensation and high humidity due to the cold water flowing in the pipes through the structure. It has 30 amp, 120 volt electrical service for lights, flow meters, and a furnace.

4) Concrete Gravity Dike (Popps Mountain) - Generally the dike is in good condition. Along the full length of the upstream face about 2 feet above the water line, scouring of the concrete has occurred.

At the top of the dike, at Station 1+80, there is a crack the full width of the dam and the lip or coping has deteriorated.

At Station 4+20 there is a crack adjacent to the joint for the full width, and at the upstream edge, the lip has spalled off.

At Station 4+63 at the top, a one foot wide strip several inches deep for the full width has deteriorated and spalled off, and the lip at the upstream face has also spalled off.

At Station 5+40, there is a crack adjacent to the joint the full width of the dike and on the downstream face, the lip has spalled off.

On the downstream face of the dike, at Station 1+80, from the top to about 4 feet down from the top there is a piece of concrete about one foot in width and several inches deep breaking away from the face.

Considerable tree growth and bushes exist in the filled area along the toe of the dike.

No evidence of seepage or wet areas were found along the toe of the dam from the right to left abutments. At approximately Station 1+25, a wet area exists approximately 100 feet east of the dam in a naturally occurring gully. There is a small amount of iron-stained seepage flowing north from this area. It is not evident whether the flow is from underneath the dam or naturally occurring drainage from the adjacent steep watershed area.

d. Reservoir Area. The reservoir perimeter has well vegetated banks at moderate to steep slopes. There was no evidence of slides or sloughing. No noticeable debris or obstructions were seen in the vicinity of the intake tower. The depth of sediment, and rate of accumulation in the reservoir, is unknown.

e. Downstream Channel. The open channel extending downstream from the junction of the 48" blow-off and spillway channels is in excellent condition. It has a bed of coarse gravel and cobbles, and there is no evidence of aggradation or recent degradation. The banks are partly lined with riprap, and are stable. Seepage was observed entering this channel between the spillway and blow-off channels. This clear water is apparently seeping from a bank of fill material overlying the original stream channel.

3.2 EVALUATION:

a. Dam. Visual observation revealed that the dam and attendant structures are structurally sound and that no immediate actions to remedy any serious problems should be taken. There was no visual indication of dam weakness.

b. Dike. Visual observations indicated that the dike was in good condition. Although spalling has occurred at several joints, this does not affect the stability of the dike.



## SECTION 4 - OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

### 4.1 PROCEDURES:

The dam 8" blow-off drain line is operated to maintain minimum flow of the Saugatuck River. The reservoir is used as a storage reservoir and is connected into the upper end of Hemlocks Reservoir through a tunnel about 1-1/2 miles long. Take off points from the reservoir are changed periodically.

### 4.2 MAINTENANCE OF DAM:

The dam, dike and associated structures are well maintained with a regular program of grass mowing and general maintenance in effect. Yearly routine inspections are carried out by Bridgeport Hydraulic Company staff. A consultant was hired to perform a cursory inspection of Bridgeport Hydraulic Company dams during November 1976.

### 4.3 MAINTENANCE OF OPERATING FACILITIES:

The operating valves were inspected recently; although the results of the inspection are not available, generally the valves/valve stems need some repair.

### 4.4 DESCRIPTION OF ANY WARNING SYSTEM IN EFFECT:

There was no warning system of any kind in effect at the time of the inspection.

### 4.5 EVALUATION:

The Samuel P. Senior Dam and dike, which are almost 40 years old, are well operated and maintained. Although not designed for rapid drawdown, it should be noted that, if the need should arise, drawdown could be effected by the following procedures:

a. Allowing for maximum discharge through the 48" blow-off and 8" drain line.

b. Allowing for maximum discharge through the 6' - 4" inside horseshoe shaped concrete tunnel to Hemlocks Reservoir.

The blow-off was not operated during the site inspection, therefore comments on the serviceability cannot be made. The valve should be tested on a periodic basis to insure that it could be operated if required.

## SECTION 5 - HYDRAULICS/HYDROLOGY

### 5.1 EVALUATION OF FEATURES:

a. Design Data. There is no available information on the hydraulic design criteria for this dam and appurtenances. Under established criteria (OCE Guidelines) the recommended spillway design flood for size (large) and hazard potential (high) classification is the probable maximum flood (PMF). The PMF is the flood that may be expected from the most severe combination of critical meteorologic and hydrologic conditions that are reasonably possible in the region.

An estimate of the magnitude of the PMF at the site is based on an analysis of several sets of regional flood frequency data as presented in Appendix II.

As a conservative approach to the investigation, the more critical design PMF hydrograph was used throughout. The peak inflow rate of the PMF of 48,800 CFS was used as the test flood.

A stage-discharge relationship was calculated for the spillway and indicates the following flows, based upon a coefficient of 3.6 and an effective length of 295 feet.

#### Stage - Discharge Relationship

<u>Stage</u>	<u>Head, Ft.</u>	<u>Discharge Rate, CFS</u>
280	0	0
281	1	1,060
282	2	3,000
283	3	5,520
284	4	8,500
285	5	11,870
286	6	15,610

The maximum spillway capacity, with no freeboard, is equal to about 35 per cent of the peak discharge rate of the test flood. In order to determine the effect of the reservoir storage capacity, a hydrograph of the test flood was routed through the reservoir.

The hydrograph was formed by assuming the test flood had a duration of 24 hours, with the peak of 48,800 CFS occurring at 8 hours from the beginning of runoff. The rising and falling limbs of the hydrograph were assumed to be changing at a constant rate, forming a triangle. The routing operation indicated that the peak rate of discharge would be reduced to 46,000 CFS, resulting in a stage elevation of 288.7 feet.

b. Experience Data. During the flood of October 15 - 17, 1955, the dam was not overtopped. United States Geologic Survey information indicates that the flow of October 16, 1955 had a peak rate of 7,100 CFS, which is the maximum flood of record for the Saugatuck River.

c. Visual Observations. The on-site inspection of the dam provided the data for the hydraulic evaluation of the spillway.

d. Overtopping Potential. The elevation-discharge relations indicate that the test flood would not be passed by the spillway without overtopping the dam. The spillway capacity is about 35 per cent of the test flood, and the stage would be 2.7 feet above the top of the dam and dike.

## SECTION 6 - STRUCTURAL STABILITY

### 6.1 EVALUATIONS OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY:

- a. Visual Observations. No evidence was observed that would indicate structural instability of the dam and dike.
- b. Design and Construction Data. The design and construction data available are not sufficient to formally evaluate the stability of the dam and dike.
- c. Operating Records. There are no available records which indicate evidence of stability problems since the dam and dike were constructed in the early 1940's. As the Samuel P. Senior dam has been designed and constructed as a water supply dam and has been subjected to a full head of water a majority of the time since construction, its stability could be considered to be adequate based on past performance.
- d. Post-Construction Changes. The bridge that provided access to the dam site, across the spillway section, has been removed.
- e. Seismic Stability. This dam is in Seismic Zone 1 and, in accordance with recommended Phase I guidelines, does not warrant seismic analysis.

## SECTION 7 - ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

### 7.1 DAM ASSESSMENT:

a. Condition. Based on the visual inspection, records available and past operational performance, the dam is judged to be in good condition.

The project will not pass the test flood without overtopping the dam, and therefore the spillway capacity is inadequate. The spillway capacity is judged seriously inadequate, as the project will not pass one-half the test flood without overtopping the dam.

b. Adequacy of Information. The information available is such that the assessment of the safety of the dam must be based primarily on the visual inspection and past operational performance of the structure.

c. Urgency. The recommendations and remedial measures should be implemented by the owner within 2 years after receipt of this report.

d. Need for Additional Investigation. Additional investigations to further assess the adequacy of the dam do not appear necessary. However, it appears that detailed investigations should be initiated by the owner to determine requirements for obtaining additional spillway capacity.

### 7.2 RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is recommended that the following measures be undertaken by the owner:

1) Spalling at joints along the downstream face should be repaired.

### 7.3 REMEDIAL MEASURES:

Although the dam is generally maintained in good condition, it is considered important that the following items be accomplished:

a. Alternatives. Not applicable.

b. Operation and Maintenance and Procedures.

1) Arrangements should be made to exercise the 48" blow-off periodically to ensure continued serviceability.

2) The owner should cut the trees and brush for a distance of 25 feet downstream of the dam and dike, ensuring that the tree roots are removed and the resulting holes are replaced with proper backfill.

3) Because of the location of the dam, upstream of a populated area, round the clock surveillance should be provided during periods of high precipitation.

4) The owner should develop a formal warning system. An operational procedure to follow in the event of an emergency should also be adopted.

5) The owner should provide continued periodic inspections at a two year frequency.

APPENDIX A

VISUAL INSPECTION - CHECK LIST

**PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST**

**PROJECT** Samuel P. Senior Dam

**DATE** July 26, 1978

**INSPECTOR** Anthony D. Rummo

**DISCIPLINE** Structural

**INSPECTOR** Robert C. Smith

**DISCIPLINE** Project Manager

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>CONCRETE DAM STRUCTURE</u>	
General Condition Concrete Surfaces	The condition of concrete is good.
Movement or Settlement of Crest	No noticeable movement of dam crest or side slopes.
Vertical Alignment	Good horizontal and vertical alignment.
Horizontal Alignment	
Condition at Abutment and Other Structures	
Structural Cracking	None
Spalling	Slight surface spalling D/S face.
Visible Reinforcing	
Rusting or Staining of Concrete	Slight staining of several joints.
Condition of Monolith/ Construction Joints	Good
Drains - Foundation, Joint, Faces	None observed.
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	Some efflorescence observed.
Foundation Damage, Undermining	None observed.
Water Passages	Spillway in good condition, minor spalling.
Abutments	



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PROJECT Samuel P. Senior Dam

DATE July 26, 1978

INSPECTOR Richard F. Murdock

DISCIPLINE Geotechnical

INSPECTOR Robert C. Smith

DISCIPLINE Project Manager

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>DAM EMBANKMENT</u>	
Crest Elevation	286
Current Pool Elevation	279
Maximum Impoundment to Date	
Surface Cracks	
Pavement Condition	
Movement or Settlement of Crest	
Lateral Movement	None
Vertical Alignment	Good
Horizontal Alignment	Good
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	Good
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes	None
Trespassing on Slopes	
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	Some minor surface erosion on west slope of dam.
Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures	None
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes	None
Unusual Embankment or Down-stream Seepage	None

PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST

PROJECT Samuel P. Senior Dam

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INSPECTOR Richard F. Murdock

DISCIPLINE Geotechnical

INSPECTOR Robert C. Smith

DISCIPLINE Project Manager

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>DAM EMBANKMENT</u> - (continued) Piping or Boils Foundation Drainage Features Toe Drains Instrumentation System	None None None None

**PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST**

**PROJECT** Popps Mountain Dike

**DATE** July 26, 1978

**INSPECTOR** Richard F. Murdock

**DISCIPLINE** Geotechnical

**INSPECTOR** Robert C. Smith

**DISCIPLINE** Project Manager

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>DIKE EMBANKMENT</u>	
Crest Elevation	286
Current Pool Elevation	279
Maximum Impoundment to Date	
Surface Cracks	
Pavement Condition	
Movement or Settlement of Crest	
Lateral Movement	
Vertical Alignment	
Horizontal Alignment	
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	
Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes	None
Trespassing on Slopes	
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	None
Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures	None
Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes	None
Unusual Embankment or Down-stream Seepage	Seepage observed at Station 1+0, approximately 100 ft. downstream of dam.

**PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST**

PROJECT Popps Mountain Dike

DATE July 26, 1978

INSPECTOR Richard F. Murdock

DISCIPLINE Geotechnical

INSPECTOR Robert C. Smith

DISCIPLINE Project Manager

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>DIKE EMBANKMENT</u> - (continued)</p> <p>Piping or Boils</p> <p>Foundation Drainage Features</p> <p>Toe Drains</p> <p>Instrumentation System</p>	<p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p>

**PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST**

**PROJECT**       Popp Mountain Dike      

**DATE**       July 26, 1978      

**INSPECTOR**       Anthony D. Rummo      

**DISCIPLINE**       Structural      

**INSPECTOR**       Robert C. Smith      

**DISCIPLINE**       Project Manager      

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<u>CONCRETE DAM STRUCTURE</u>	
General Condition Concrete Surfaces	The concrete in dike is in good condition.
Movement or Settlement of Crest	None observed.
Vertical Alignment	Good alignment.
Horizontal Alignment	
Condition at Abutment and Other Structures	Excellent
Structural Cracking	None
Spalling	Some surface spalling observed at top of dike.
Visible Reinforcing	
Rusting or Staining of Concrete	None
Condition of Monolith/ Construction Joints	Good
Drains - Foundation, Joint, Faces	
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	Very slight
Foundation Damage, Undermining	None
Water Passages	None
Abutments	

**PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECK LIST**

**PROJECT** Samuel P. Senior Dam

**DATE** July 26, 1978

**INSPECTOR** James MacBroom

**DISCIPLINE** Hydraulics/Hydrology

**INSPECTOR** \_\_\_\_\_

**DISCIPLINE** \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><b><u>OUTLET WORKS - INTAKE CHANNEL AND INTAKE STRUCTURE</u></b></p> <p><b>a. Approach Channel</b></p> <p>Slope Conditions</p> <p>Bottom Conditions</p> <p>Rock Slides or Falls</p> <p>Log Boom</p> <p>Debris</p> <p>Condition of Concrete Lining</p> <p>Drains or Weep Holes</p> <p><b>b. Intake Structure</b></p> <p>Condition of Concrete</p> <p>Stop Logs and Slots</p>	<p>Good condition, slight spalling at water line.</p> <p>Good condition.</p>

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INSPECTOR James MacBroom

DISCIPLINE Hydraulics/Hydrology

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DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - CONTROL TOWER</u></p> <p>a. Concrete and Structural</p> <p>General Condition</p> <p>Condition of Joints</p> <p>Spalling</p> <p>Visible Reinforcing</p> <p>Rusting or Staining of Concrete</p> <p>Any Seepage or Efflorescence</p> <p>Joint Alignment</p> <p>Unusual Seepage or Leaks in Gate Chamber</p> <p>Cracks</p> <p>Rusting or Corrosion of Steel</p> <p>b. Mechanical and Electrical</p> <p>Air Vents</p> <p>Float Wells</p> <p>Crane Hoist</p> <p>Elevator</p> <p>Hydraulic System</p>	

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**DISCIPLINE** \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - CONTROL TOWER</u> (continued)</p> <p>Service Gates</p> <p>Emergency Gates</p> <p>Lightning Protection System</p> <p>Emergency Power System</p> <p>Wiring and Lighting System In Gate Chamber</p>	<p>Good condition</p> <p>Unknown</p> <p>Good condition</p>



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**INSPECTOR** Richard F. Murdock

**DISCIPLINE** Geotechnical

**INSPECTOR** James MacBroom

**DISCIPLINE** Hydraulics/Hydrology

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><b><u>OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS</u></b></p> <p>a. Approach Channel</p> <p>    General Condition</p> <p>    Loose Rock Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Trees Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Floor of Approach Channel</p> <p>b. Weir and Training Walls</p> <p>    General Condition of Concrete</p> <p>    Rust or Staining</p> <p>    Spalling</p> <p>    Any Visible Reinforcing</p> <p>    Any Seepage or Efflorescence</p> <p>    Drain Holes</p> <p>c. Discharge Channel</p> <p>    General Condition</p> <p>    Loose Rock Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Trees Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Floor of Channel</p> <p>    Other Obstructions</p>	<p>Underwater (Reservoir)</p> <p>Good condition</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>Some drainage of drain holes.</p> <p>A few large healthy trees present.</p> <p>Good - bedrock surfaces.</p> <p>None</p>

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INSPECTOR James MacBroom

DISCIPLINE Hydraulics/Hydrology

INSPECTOR \_\_\_\_\_

DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - OUTLET STRUCTURE AND OUTLET CHANNEL</u></p>	
<p>General Condition of Concrete</p>	
<p>Rust or Staining</p>	
<p>Spalling</p>	
<p>Erosion or Cavitation</p>	
<p>Visible Reinforcing</p>	
<p>Any Seepage or Efflorescence</p>	
<p>Condition at Joints</p>	
<p>Drain Holes</p>	
<p>Channel</p>	
<p>Loose Rock or Trees Over- hanging Channel</p>	<p>No trees or loose rock over- hanging channel.</p>
<p>Condition of Discharge Channel</p>	<p>The channel is in excellent condition.</p>

APPENDIX B  
ENGINEERING DATA

**NAME OF DAM** Samuel P. Senior

**CHECK LIST  
ENGINEERING DATA**

**DESIGN, CONSTRUCTION, OPERATION  
PHASE I**

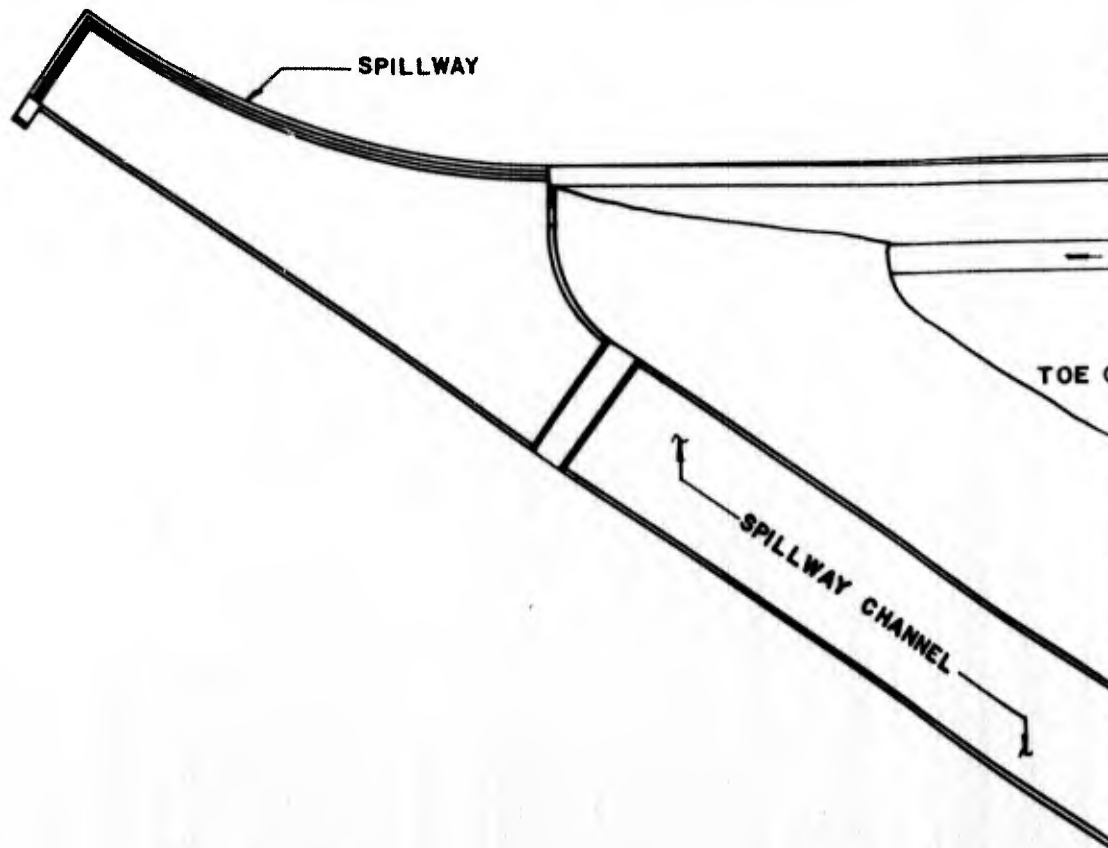
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AS-BUILT DRAWINGS	Conn. State Library - Hartford
REGIONAL VICINITY MAP	Available From U.S.G.S.
CONSTRUCTION HISTORY	Records State D.E.P. and Bridgeport Hydraulic Co.
TYPICAL SECTIONS OF DAM	Available From Plans.
OUTLETS - Plan	From Plans
- Details	From Plans
- Constraints	Unknown
- Discharge Ratings	Unavailable
RAINFALL/RESERVOIR RECORDS	From Bridgeport Hydraulic Co.
DESIGN REPORTS	None
GEOLOGY REPORTS	None
DESIGN COMPUTATIONS	None
HYDROLOGY & HYDRAULICS	None
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FIELD	None

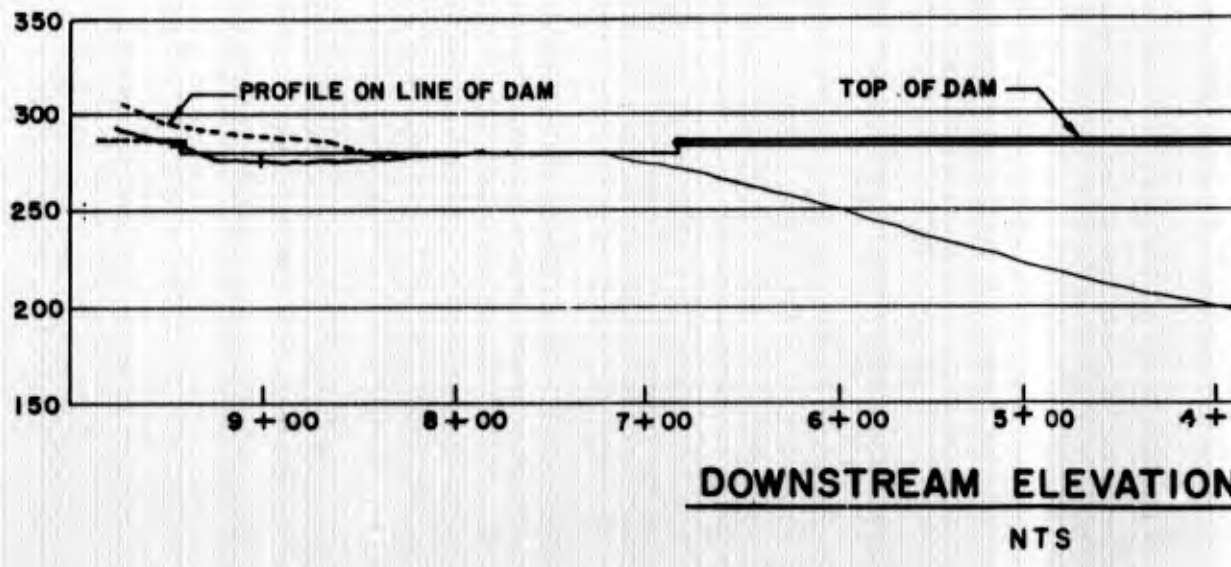
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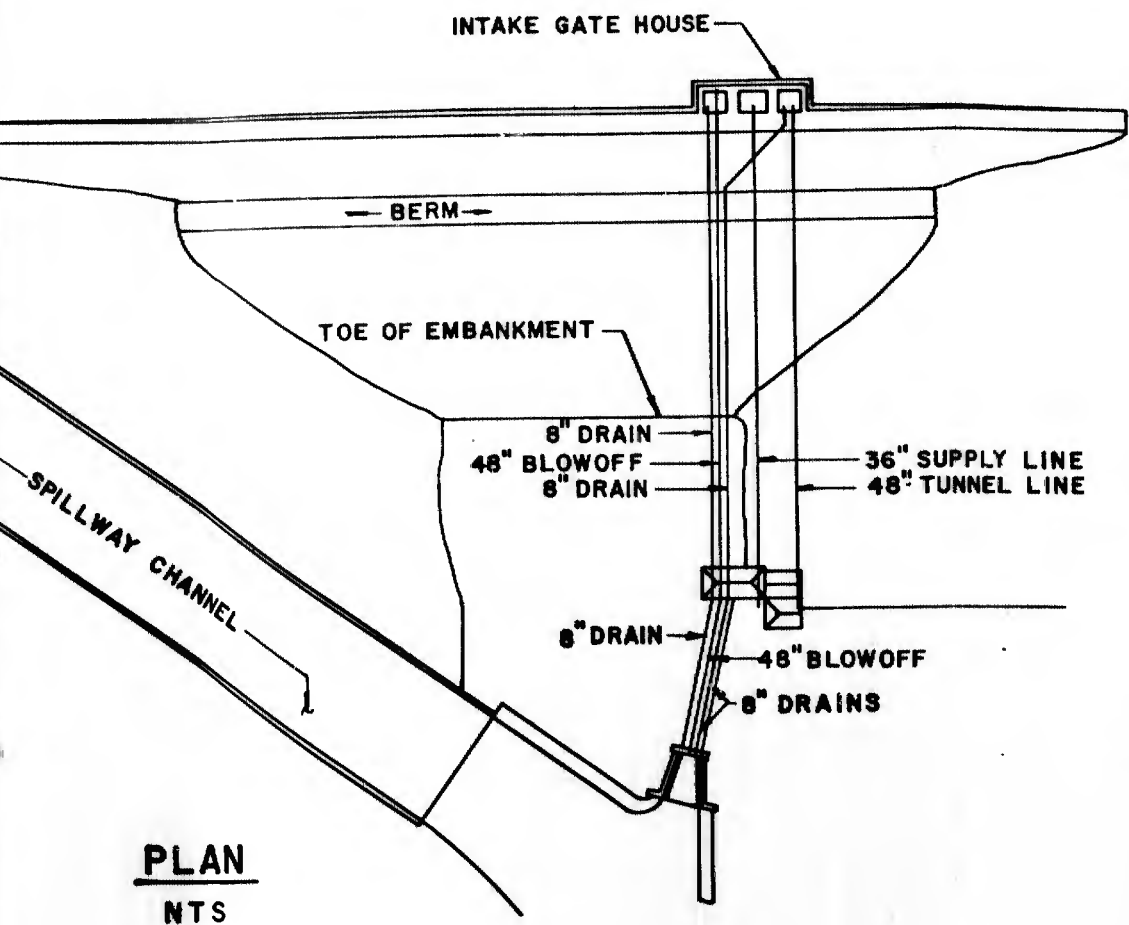
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MONITORING SYSTEMS	None
MODIFICATIONS	Unknown
HIGH POOL RECORDS	Approximate From Bridgeport Hydraulic Co. Records
POST-CONSTRUCTION ENGINEERING STUDIES AND REPORTS	None
PRIOR ACCIDENTS OR FAILURE OF DAM DESCRIPTION REPORTS	None
MAINTENANCE OPERATION RECORDS	Inspection Reports From Bridgeport Hydraulic Co.
SPILLWAY PLAN	
SECTIONS	Plans
DETAILS	Plans
OPERATING EQUIPMENT PLANS & DETAILS	Plans



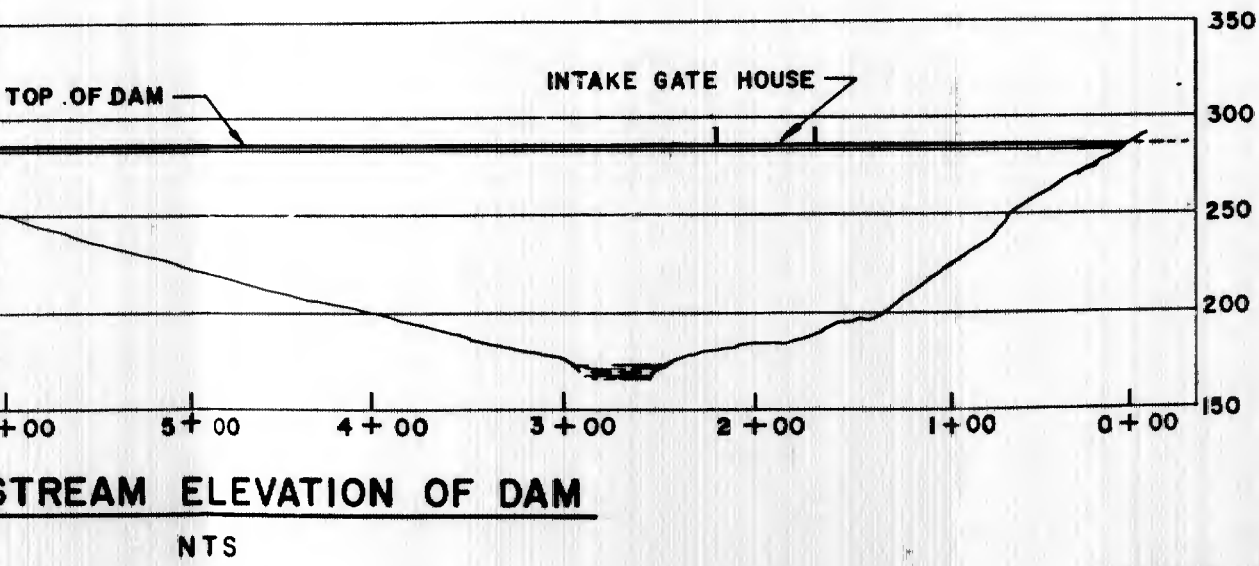
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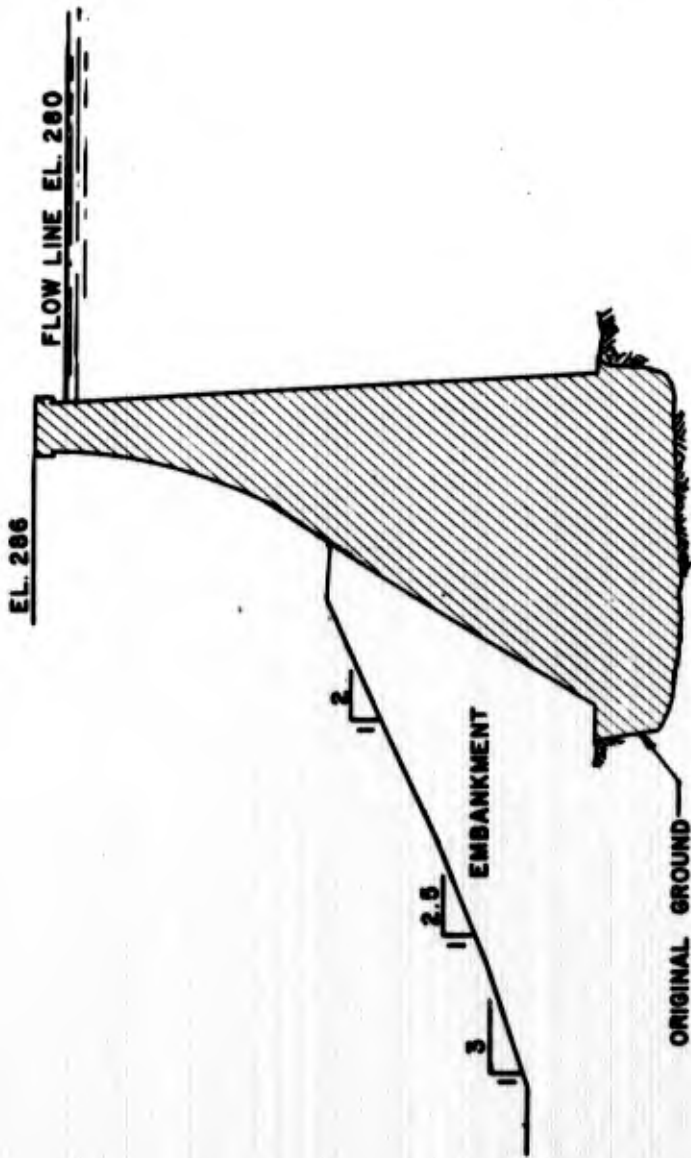
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**SAUGATUCK RIVER**

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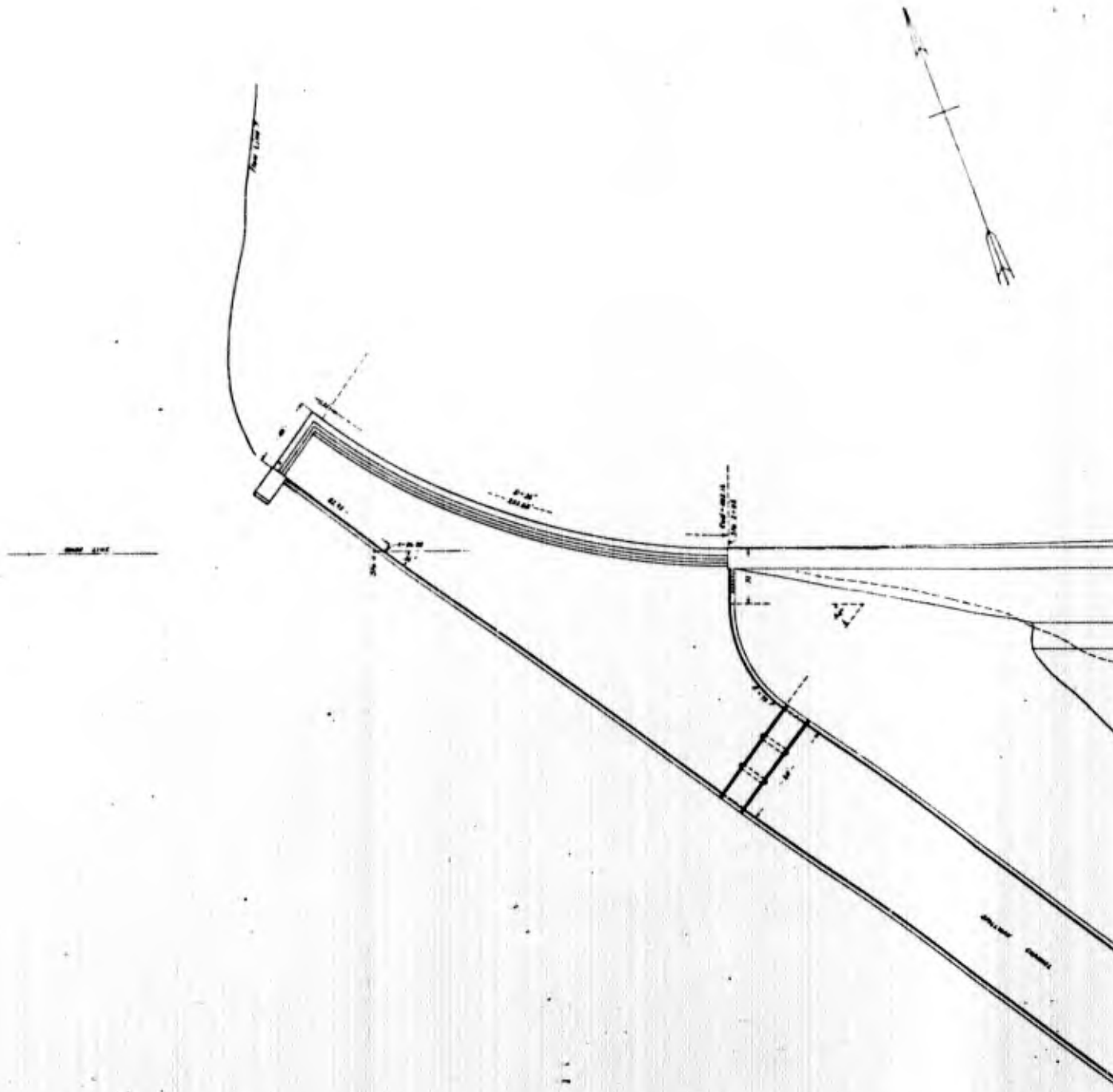


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SAUGATUCK RIVER



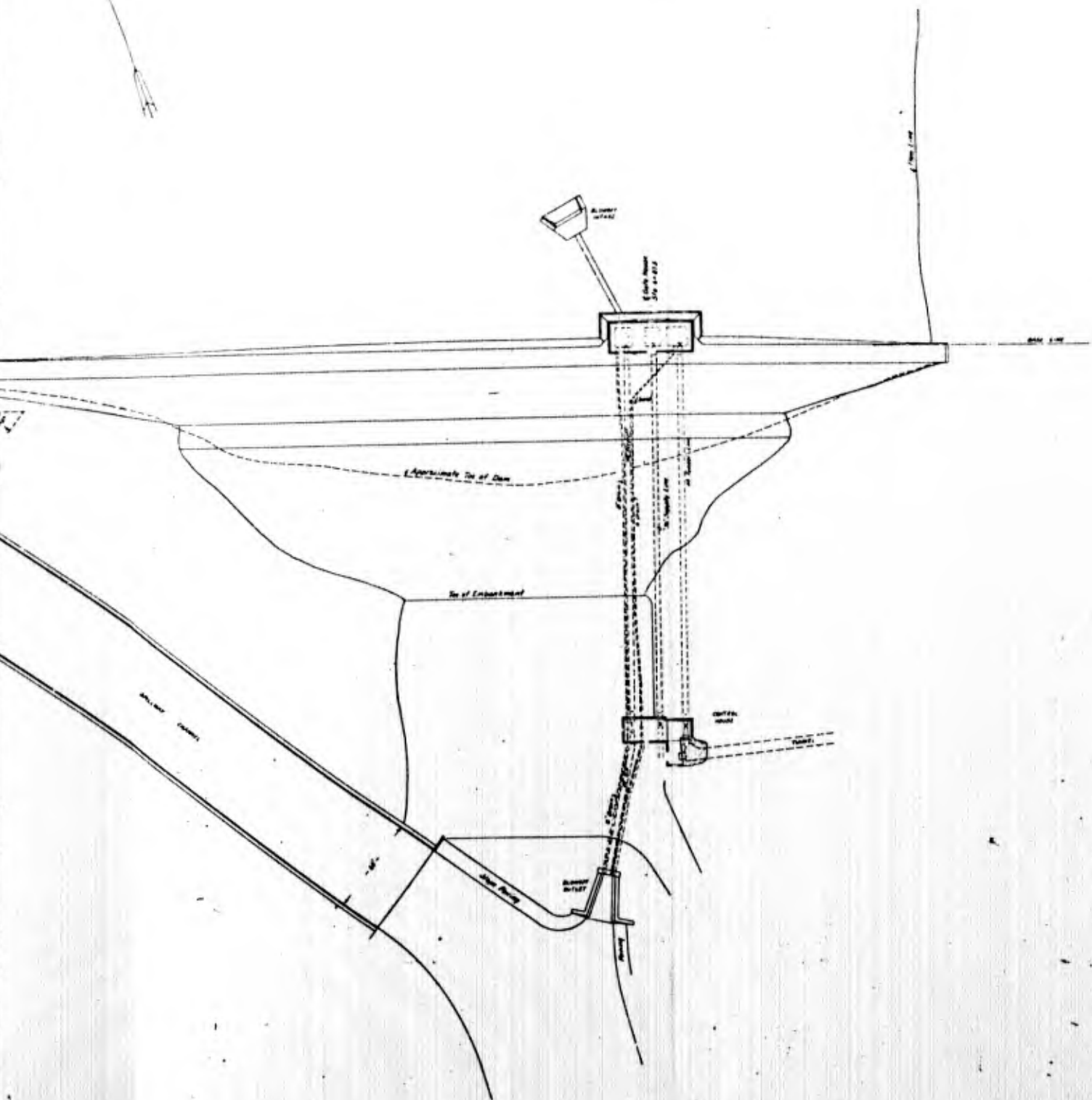


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**SAUGATUCK, DEVELOPMENT**  
**GENERAL PLAN AT DAM**  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.

Scale 1" = 40'

Designed by Paul L. Latta  
 April 14, 1922

March, 1922



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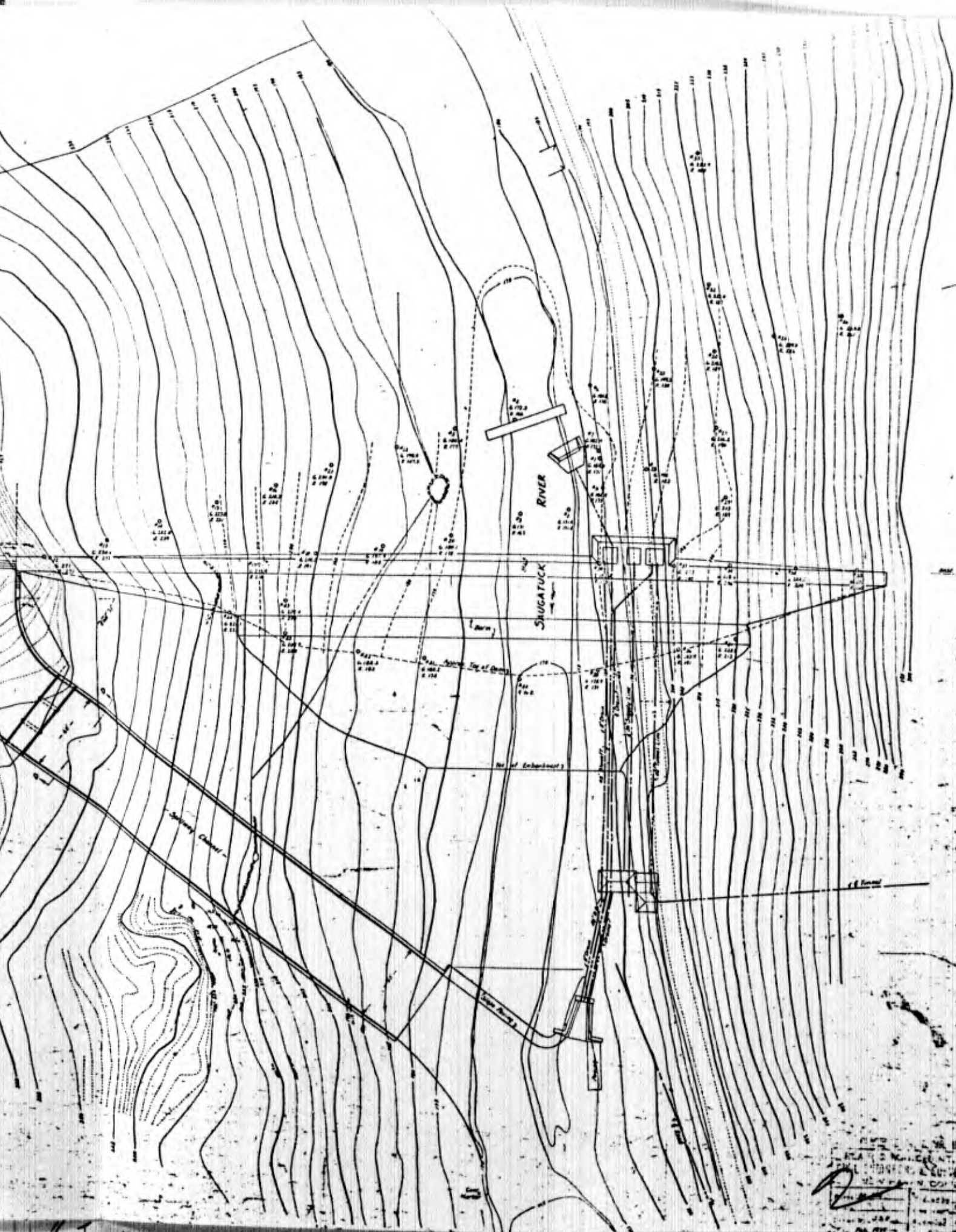


BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO.  
 SAUGATUCK DEVELOPMENT  
 CONTOUR MAP OF DAM SITE  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.

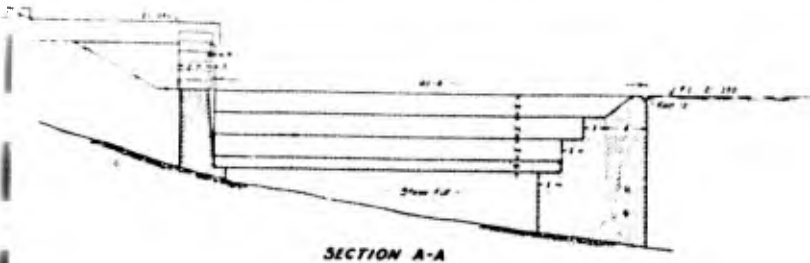
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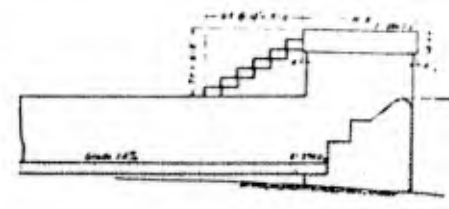
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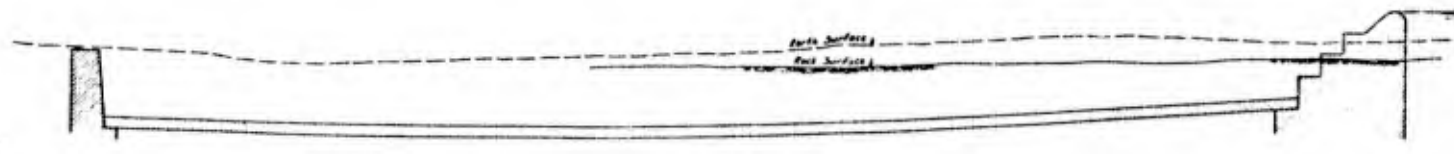
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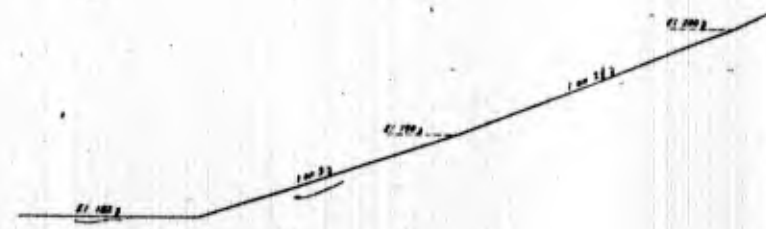
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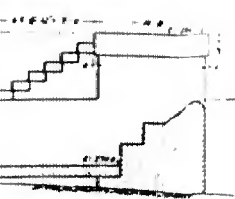
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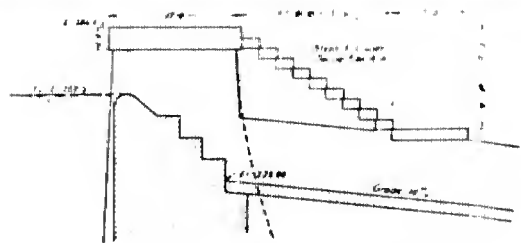
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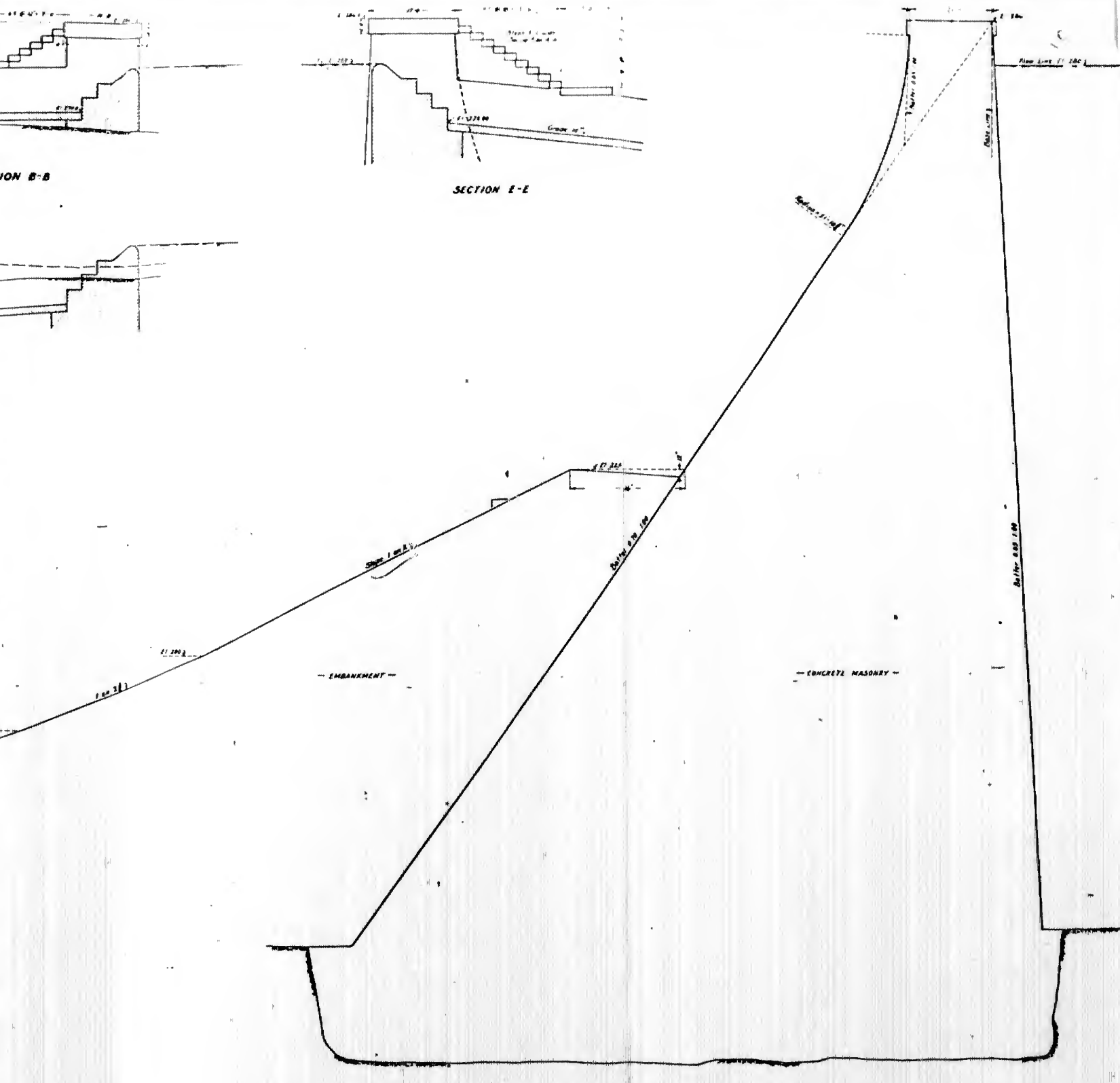
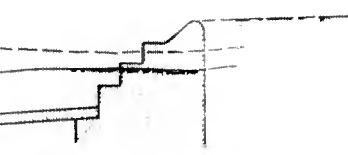
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SECTION E-E



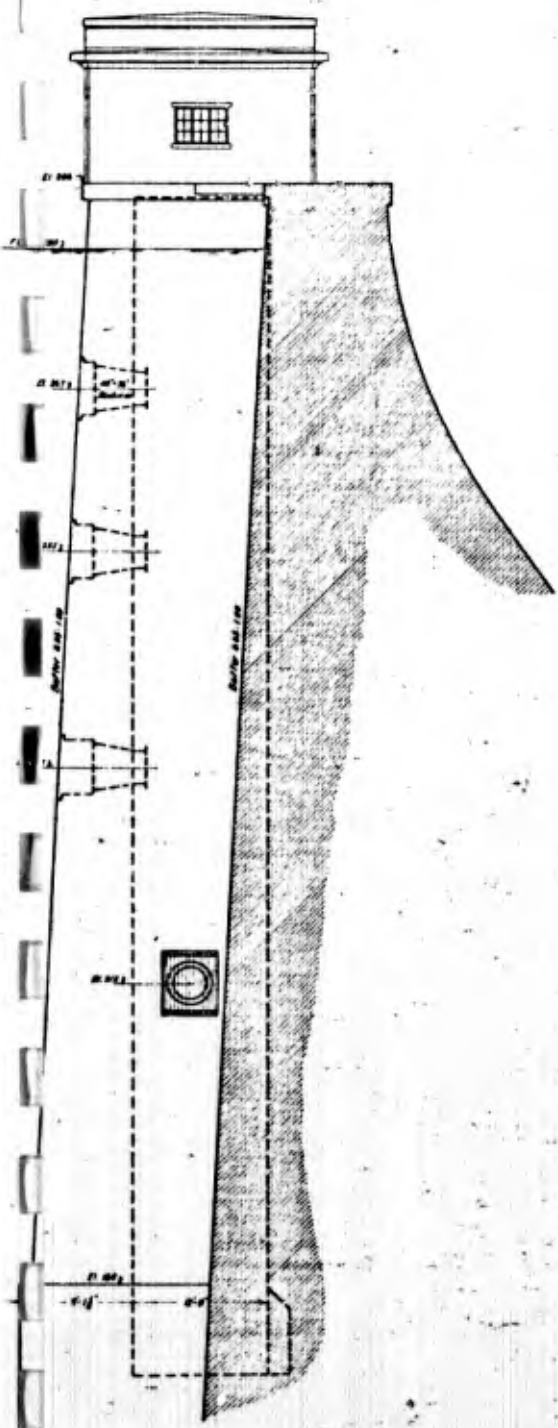
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 CROSS SECTIONS OF DAM AND SPILLWAY  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CT, INC.

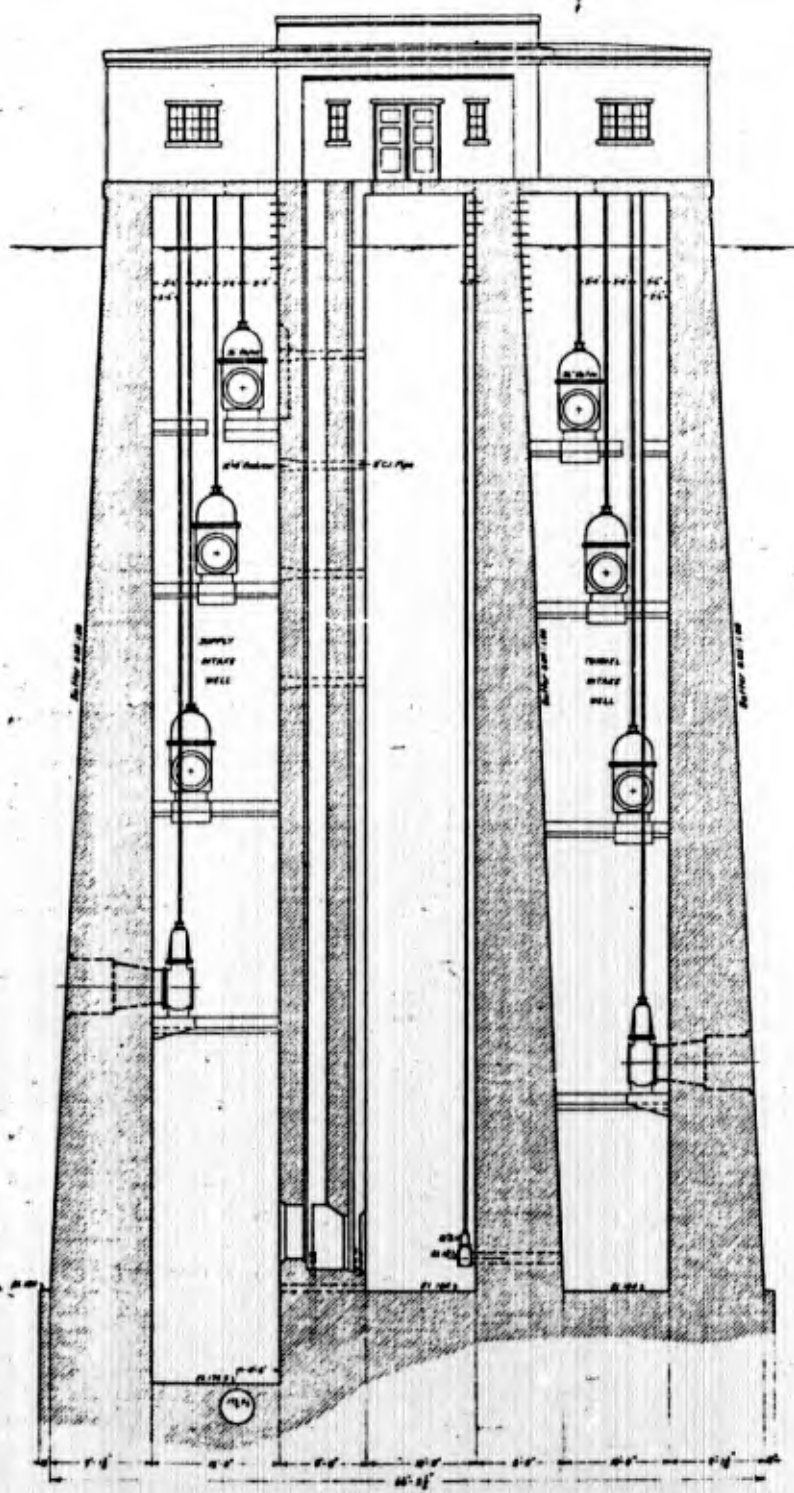
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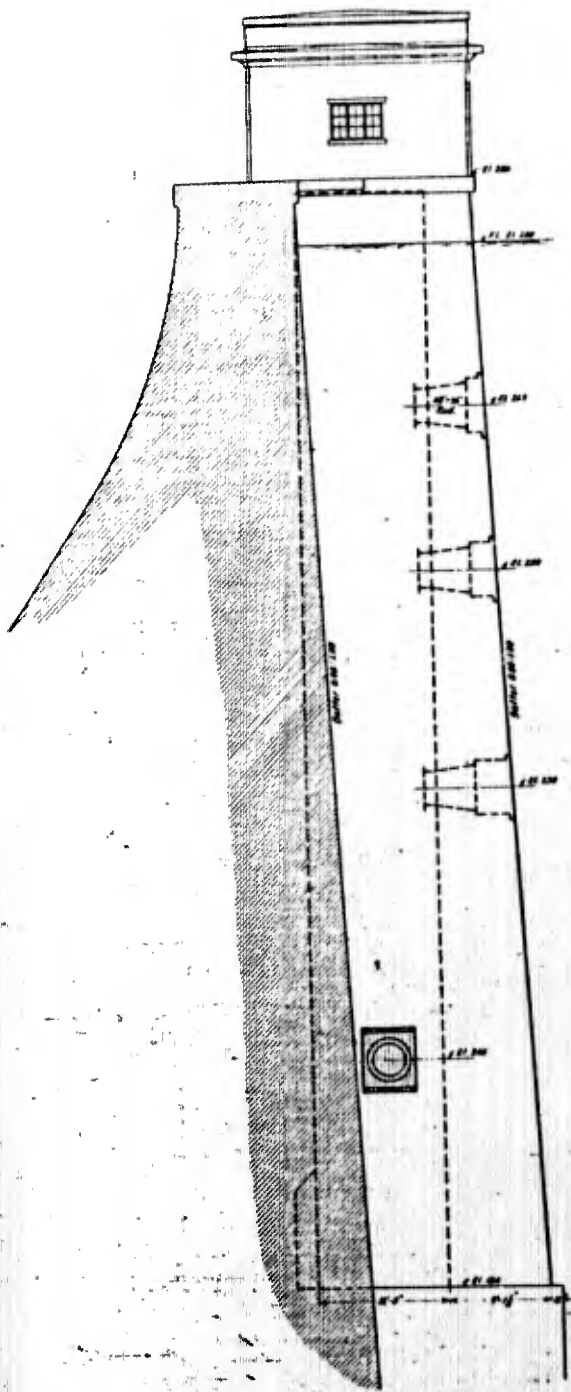
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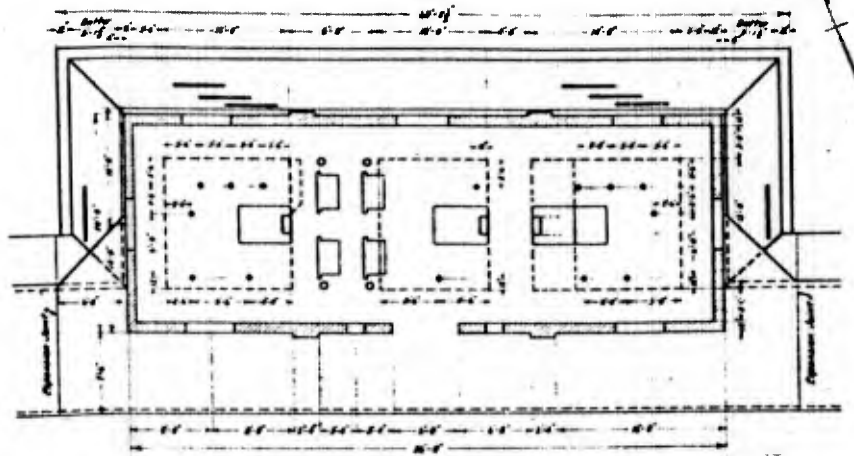
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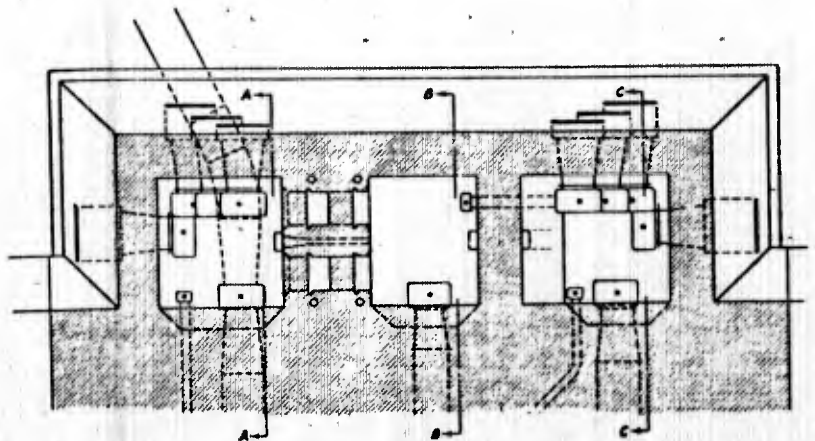
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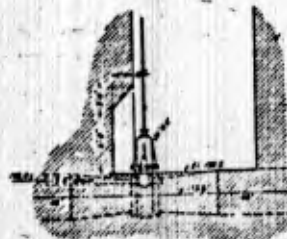
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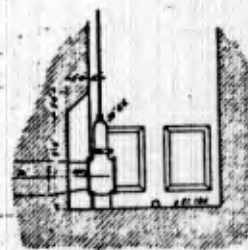
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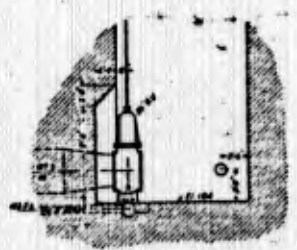
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SECTION B-B



SECTION C-C

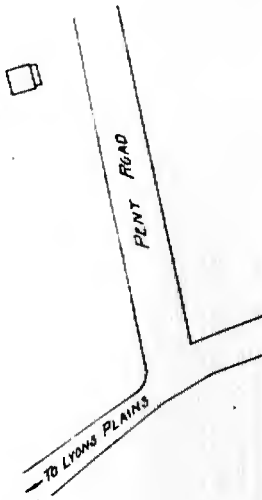
BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO.  
 SAUGATUCK DEVELOPMENT  
 PLAN OF GATE HOUSE AND INTAKES  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.

Scale 1/4" = 1'

Prepared by H. H. H. 1908

October, 1908





Spring	Elev Surface of Ground	Elev Top of Pipe	Elev B of Box
1	232.6	248.4	211.0
2	219.0	218.0	181.0
3	230.8	227.6	201.0
4	180.0	177.0	141.0
5	159.5	158.0	121.0
6	162.0	160.4	131.0
7	212.6	211.2	181.0
8	224.0	214.0	181.0
9	231.6	230.5	201.0
10	278.0	268.4	231.0



Boring	Elev. Surface of Ground	Elev. Top of Rock	Elev. Bottom of Boring	Remarks
1	252.6	246.4	218.5	
2	279.0	278.0	188.0	Lost water in seam at 200, not regained
3	230.5	227.6	209.4	Lost water at Elev. 215 regained it after 214
4	180.0	177.0	147.0	
5	159.5	158.0	121.0	Soft rock from Elev. 211 to Elev. 148
6	163.0	160.4	130.4	
7	213.6	211.2	184.4	Seams from Elev. 211 to Elev. 187
8	229.0	216.0	186.0	Lost water Elev. 212
9	231.6	230.5	208.8	Lost water Elev. 210
10	275.0	264.4	239.6	Lost water Elev. 260

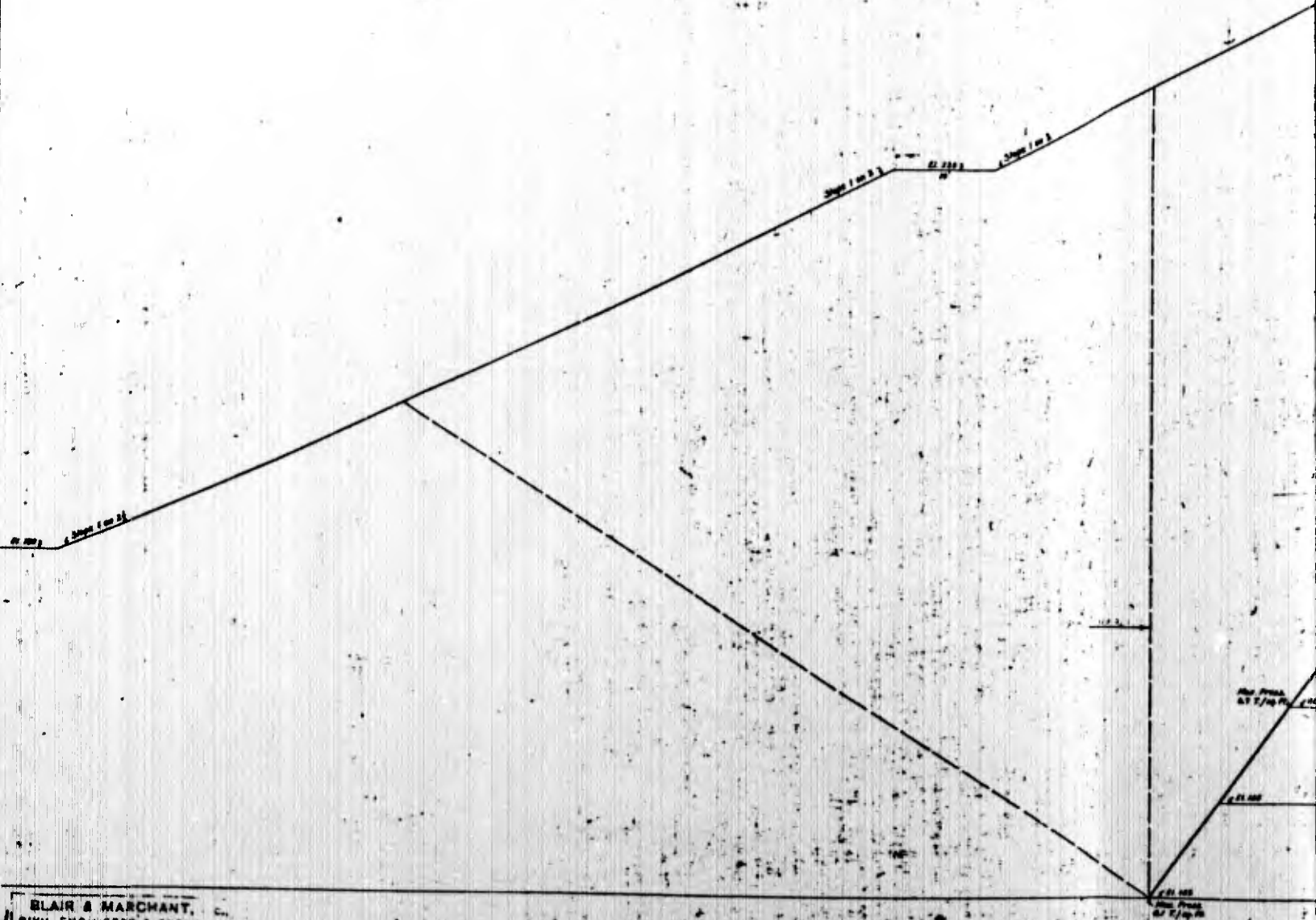
BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO.  
 SAUGATUCK DAM SITE  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.  
 SCALE 1"=100' MARCH 15, 1920.

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**BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO.**  
**SECTION PROPOSED FOR SAUGATUCK DAM**  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.

Scale 1" = 1'

March, 1937



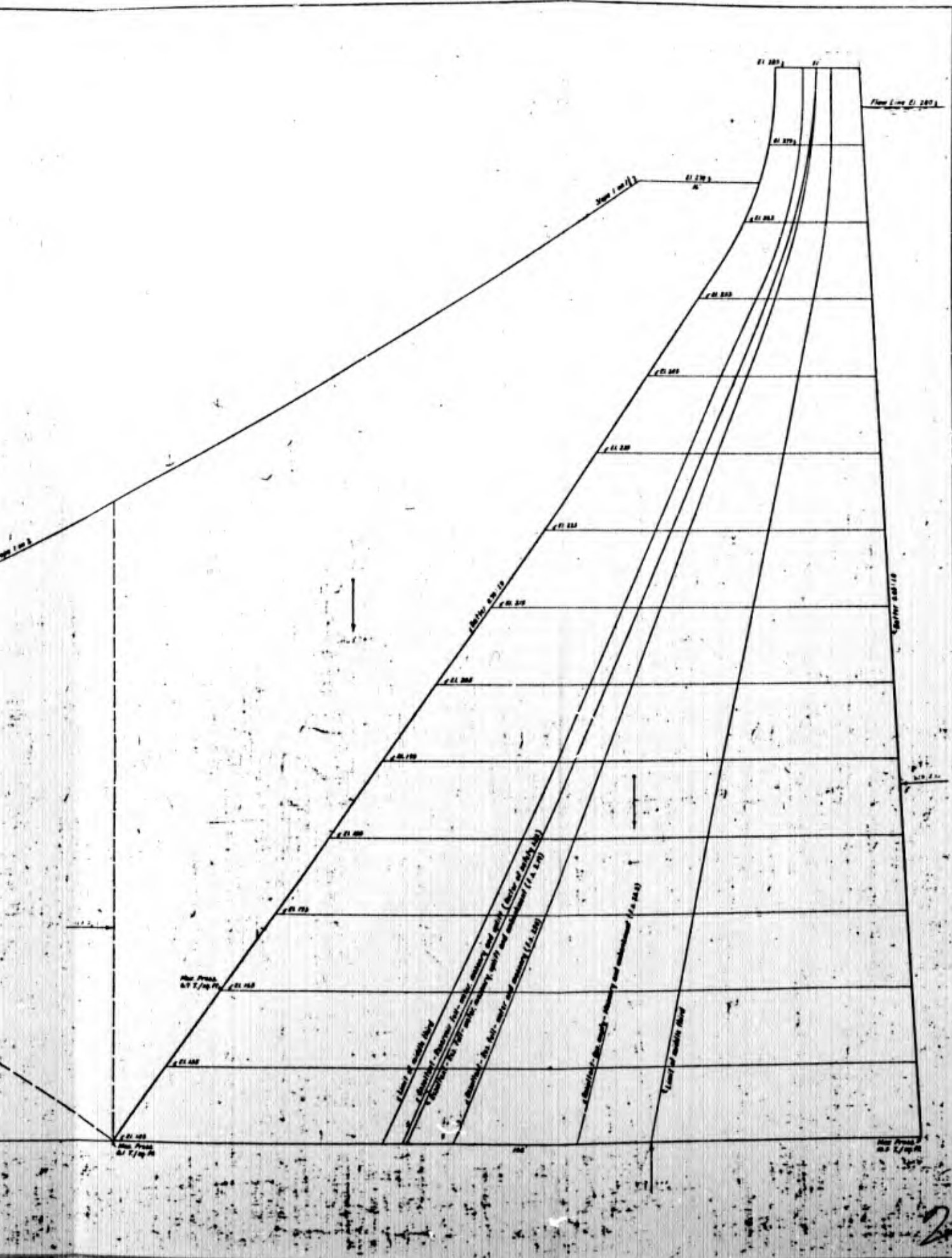
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 CIVIL ENGINEERS & SURVEYORS,  
 NEW HAVEN, CONN.

Drawn by	Checked by
Designed by	Approved by
Scale	Date

21' (100%)

21' (100%)

21' (100%)



Max. Press.  
 67 T/100 ft.

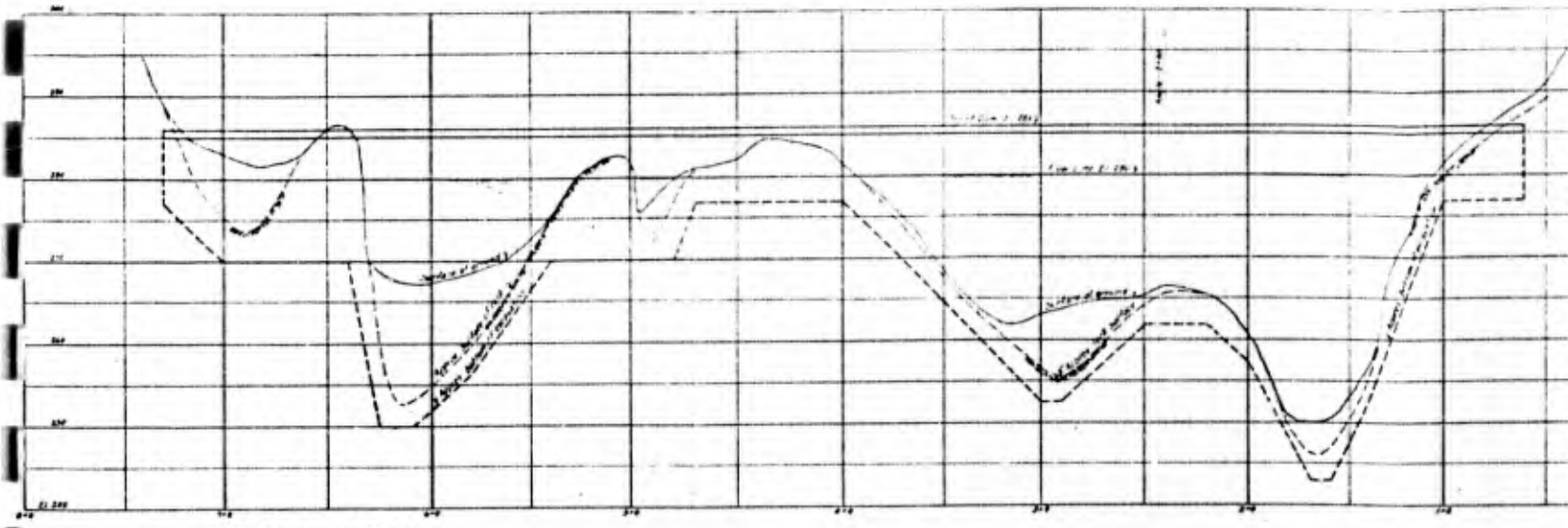
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Max. Press.  
 22 T/100 ft.

Core of rubble masonry  
 Concrete rubble masonry  
 Core of rubble masonry and grout (center of gravity)

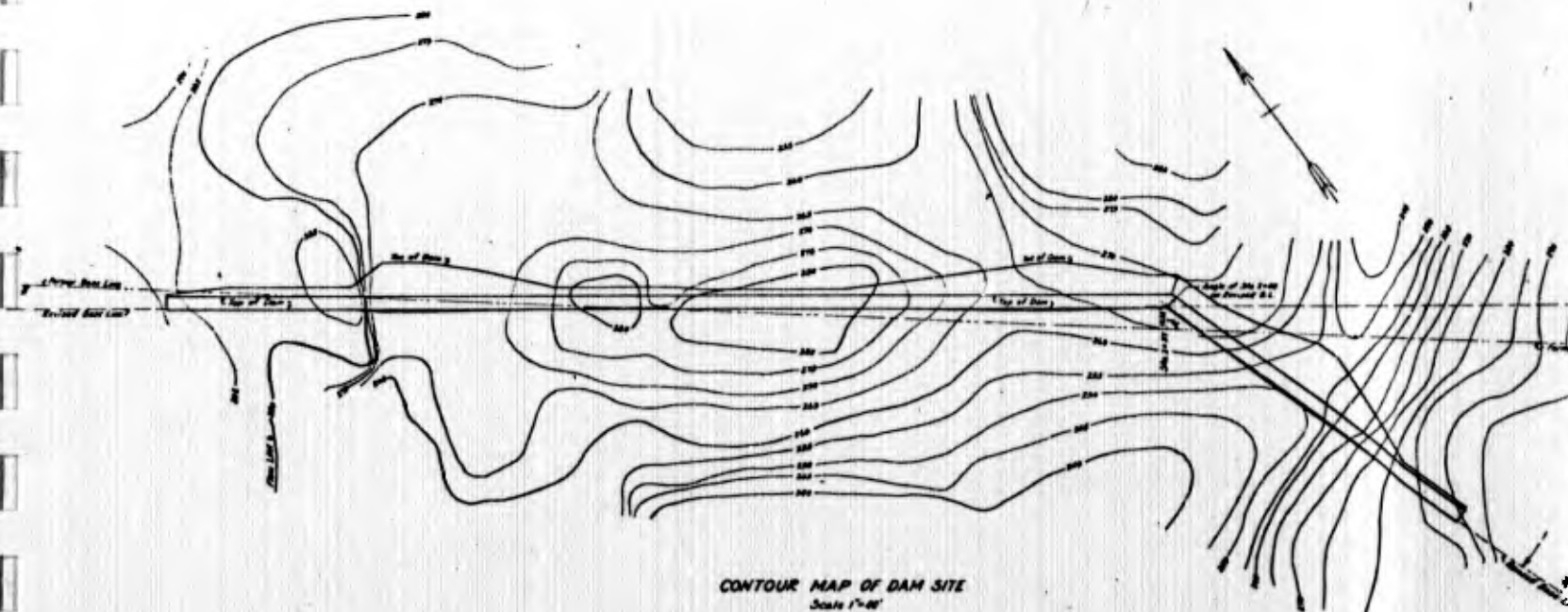
Concrete rubble masonry  
 Core of rubble masonry and grout (center of gravity)

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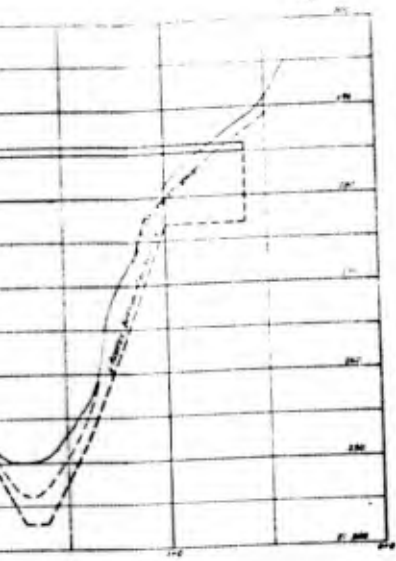
Note: Profile taken on Revised Base Line

**PROFILE OF DAM**  
 Plan 1"=40'  
 Scale Vert 1"=10'



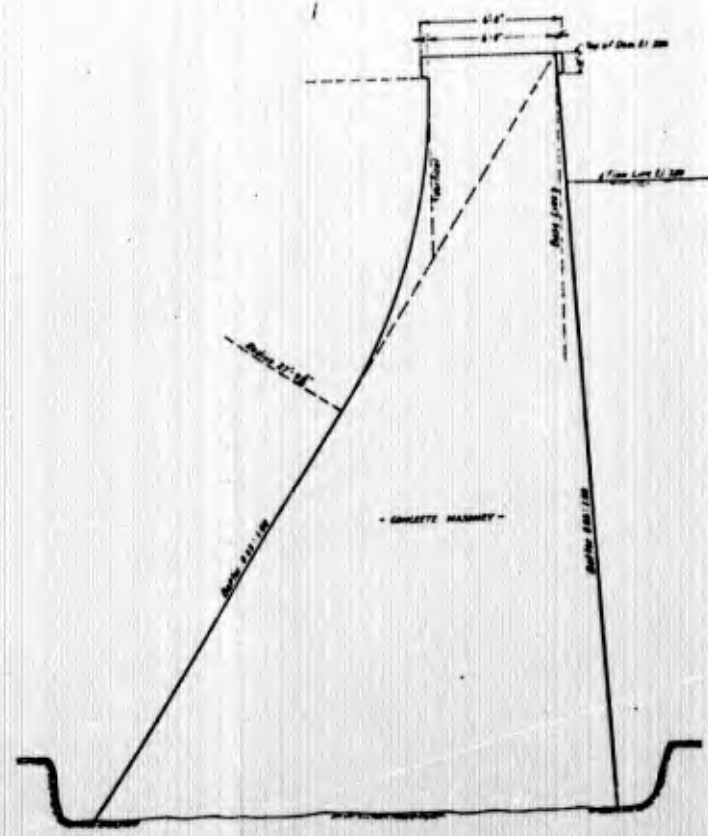
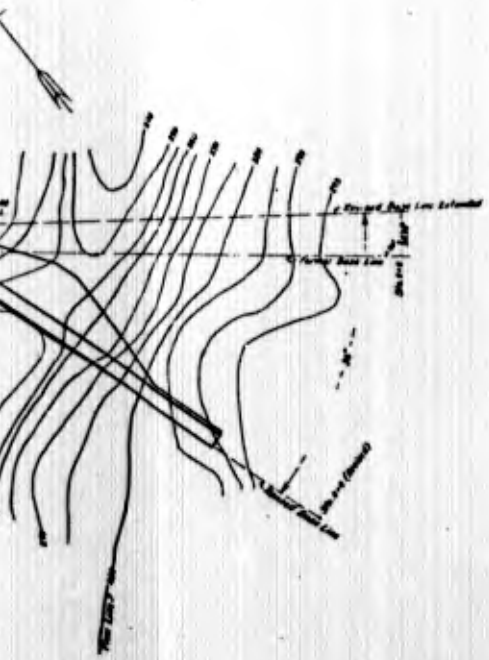
**CONTOUR MAP OF DAM SITE**  
 Scale 1"=40'

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 NEW HAVEN, CONN.  
 No. 218  
 Drawn by RCB:TCB  
 Checked by CMA



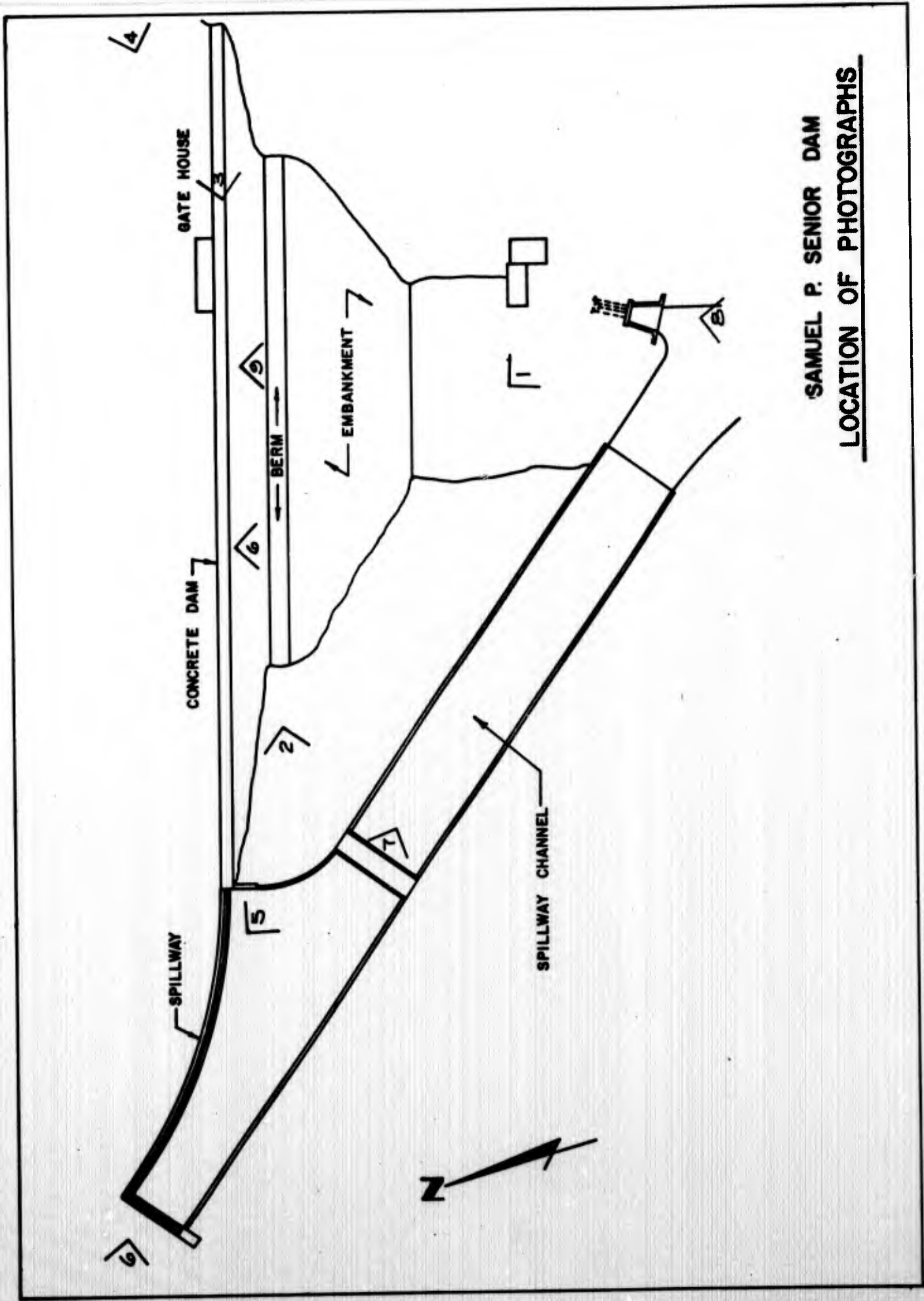
**BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO**  
**DAM AT NOTCH**  
**TABLE OF WIDTHS AND TOTAL VOLUMES**  
**FOR SECTION OF DAM ONE FOOT LONG**  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.  
 JUL, 1940

STATION	DEPTH	WIDTH	DEPTH	WIDTH	VOLUME	STATION	DEPTH	WIDTH	DEPTH	WIDTH	VOLUME
NO.	FEET	FEET	FEET	FEET	CUBIC FEET	NO.	FEET	FEET	FEET	FEET	CUBIC FEET
0	28.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	26	28.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
1	27.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	27	27.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
2	26.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	28	26.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
3	25.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	29	25.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
4	24.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	30	24.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
5	23.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	31	23.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
6	22.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	32	22.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
7	21.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	33	21.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
8	20.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	34	20.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
9	19.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	35	19.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
10	18.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	36	18.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
11	17.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	37	17.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
12	16.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	38	16.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
13	15.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	39	15.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
14	14.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	40	14.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
15	13.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	41	13.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
16	12.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	42	12.0	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
17	11.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
18	10.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
19	9.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
20	8.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
21	7.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
22	6.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
23	5.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
24	4.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
25	3.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
26	2.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
27	1.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						
28	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00						



**BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO.**  
**SAUGATUCK DEVELOPMENT**  
**PLAN OF DAM AT NOTCH - POPPS MOUNTAIN**  
 TOWN OF WESTON, CONN.

APPENDIX C  
PHOTOGRAPHS



**SAMUEL P. SENIOR DAM**  
**LOCATION OF PHOTOGRAPHS**





PHOTO #1: View of the western, downstream  
face of the dam.



PHOTO #2: View along the face of the dam, looking  
east.



PHOTO #3: Looking west along the crest of the dam.



PHOTO #4: Upstream face of the dam and upper gate house.



PHOTO #5: View of the spillway, looking west.



PHOTO #6: View of the spillway and dam, looking east from west abutment.



PHOTO #7: The spillway discharge channel, looking down at the natural river in the background.

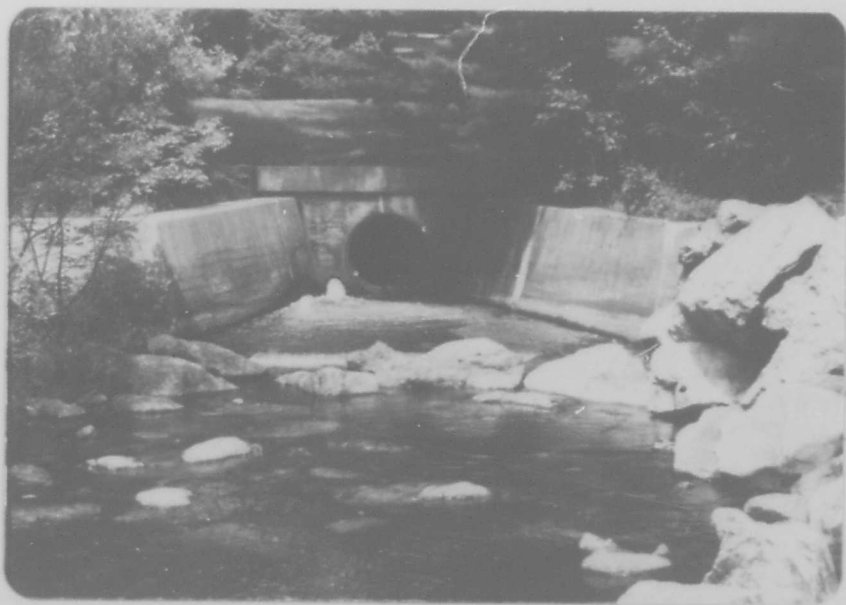


PHOTO #8: Blow-off discharge point, showing the wingwalls and riprap.

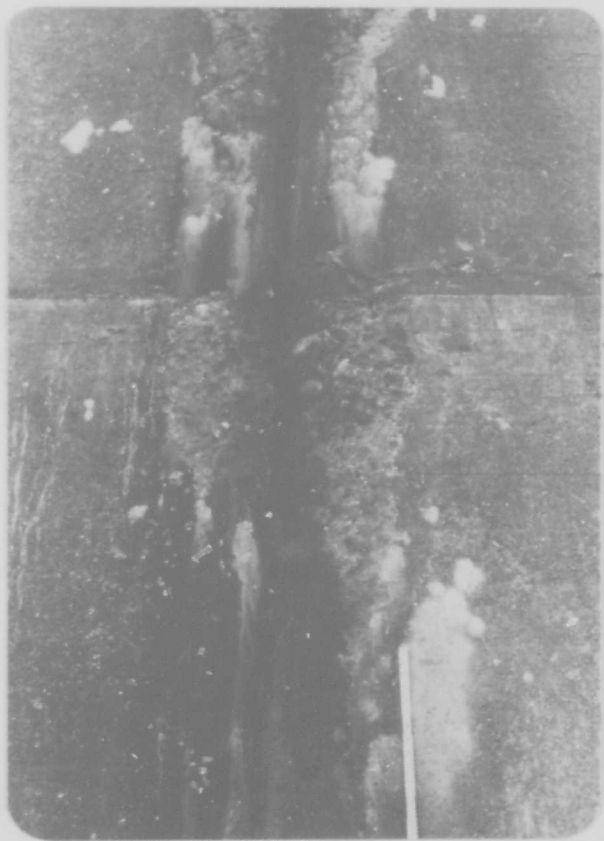


PHOTO #9: Typical spalling at a construction joint.

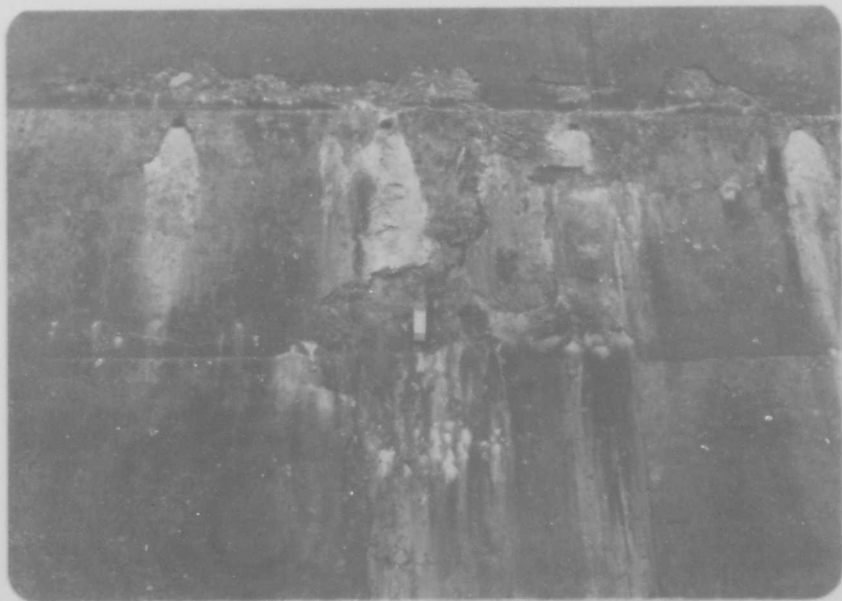


PHOTO #10: Holes cored in concrete dam-purpose unknown.



PHOTO #11: View looking south along the concrete dike.



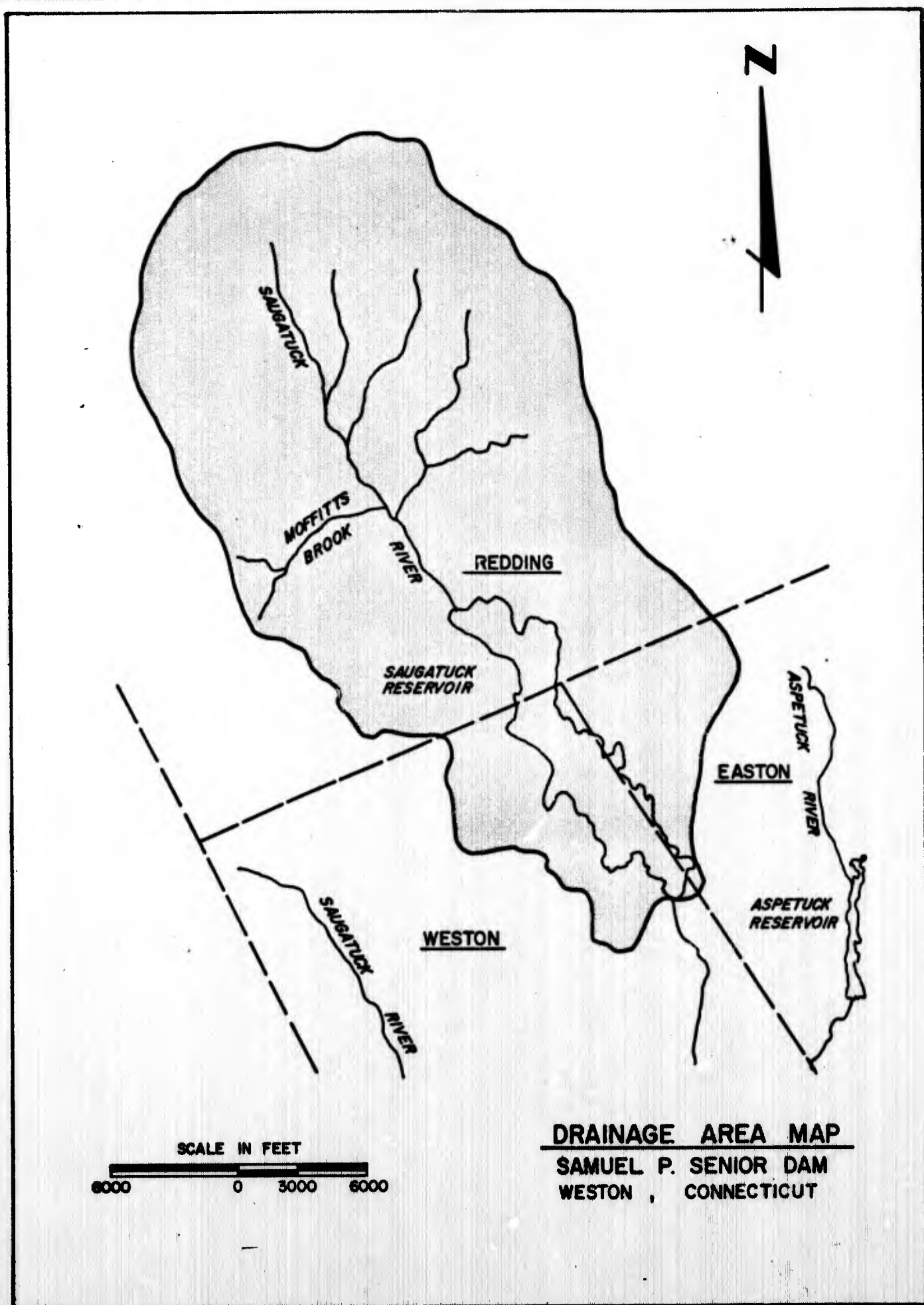
PHOTO #12: View looking north along the concrete dike.



PHOTO #13: Downstream face of the concrete dike.

APPENDIX D  
HYDROLOGIC COMPUTATIONS





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SAUGATUCK

MOFFITTS  
BROOK

RIVER

REDDING

SAUGATUCK  
RESERVOIR

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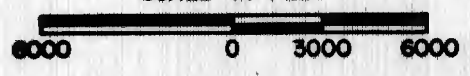
ASPETUCK  
RIVER

ASPETUCK  
RESERVOIR

WESTON

SAUGATUCK  
RIVER

SCALE IN FEET



DRAINAGE AREA MAP  
SAMUEL P. SENIOR DAM  
WESTON , CONNECTICUT



P.M.F. PEAK FLOW ESTIMATE

DRAINAGE AREA IS 34.6 SQ. MILES

METHOD #1

REFER TO "PRELIMINARY GUIDANCE FOR ESTIMATING PMF DISCHARGES" by NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS

$$\text{UNIT FLOW} = 1410 \text{ CFS / mi}^2 \text{ (ROLLING CURVE)}$$
$$\text{PMF} \approx (34.6 \text{ SQ mi}) \times (1410 \text{ CFS / mi}^2) = 48,786 \text{ CFS}$$

METHOD #2

REFER TO "CONN WATER RESOURCE BULLETIN NO. 17, PART 4" BY U.S.G.S.

$$\text{MEAN ANNUAL FLOOD} = 1200 \text{ CFS}$$
$$Q_{100} = 5 \times \text{MAF} = 5 \times 1200 \text{ CFS} = 6000 \text{ CFS}$$

$$\text{PMF} \approx 5 \times Q_{100} \text{ (APPROXIMATE)}$$
$$\text{PMF} \approx 5 \times 6000 \text{ CFS} = 30,000 \text{ CFS}$$

METHOD #3

REFER TO FAIRFIELD, CT F.I.A. FLOOD INSURANCE STUDY, "FREQUENCY, DISCHARGE, DRAINAGE AREA CURVES"

$$Q_{100} = 7000 \text{ CFS}$$
$$\text{PMF} \approx 5 \times Q_{100} \text{ (APPROXIMATE)}$$
$$\text{PMF} \approx 5 \times 7000 \text{ CFS} = 35,000 \text{ CFS}$$

\* USE 48,800 CFS FOR SPILLWAY TEST FLOOD



FORMATION OF INFLOW HYDROGRAPH

- 1) P.M.F.  $\approx$  48,800 CFS
- 2) FORM A TRIANGULAR HYDROGRAPH WITH A 24 HOUR DURATION, PEAK @ 8 HOURS

<u>TIME HOURS</u>	<u>UNIT FLOW RATE</u>	<u>FLOW RATE CFS</u>
0	0.00	0
2	0.25	12,200
4	0.50	24,400
6	0.75	36,600
8	1.00	48,800
10	0.875	42,700
12	0.75	36,600
16	0.50	24,400
20	0.25	12,200
24	0.00	0

CT 78-36-10  
SUGATUCK DAM



FLAHERTY-GIAVARA ASSOCIATES  
ENVIRONMENTAL DESIGN CONSULTANTS  
ONE COLUMBUS PLAZA, NEW HAVEN, CONN. 06510/203/789-1280

SHEET NO. 3 OF 3  
BY JGM DATE 8/7/78  
CHK'D. BY Eje DATE 8/23/78

SPILLWAY CAPACITY

$$Q = C L H^{3/2}$$

$$C \approx 3.6$$

$$L = 295 \text{ FT (EFFECTIVE LENGTH)}$$

$$H = 6 \text{ FT (EL. 286 - EL. 280)}$$

$$Q_{\text{MAX}} = 3.6 (295) (6)^{1.5} = 15,608 \text{ CFS}$$

$$\frac{\text{SPILLWAY CAPACITY}}{\text{TEST FLOOD}} = \frac{15,608}{48,800} = 32 \%$$

SAUGATUCK DAM

78-36-10

FLOOD ROUTING

JGM

9/19/78

INPUT DATA:  
SEGMENT 1  
SEGMENT 2  
IE-280 IV-

UNSUBMERGED WEIR  
DISCHARGE COEFFICIENT = 3.6  
DISCHARGE COEFFICIENT = 3  
E-290 A-868.00  
E-280 A-868.00

LENGTH OF WEIR = 295  
LENGTH OF WEIR = 1360  
A-868.00

ELEVATION OF WEIR = 280  
ELEVATION OF WEIR = 286

hour	INFLOW	MASS INFLOW	WATER EL.	TAIL WATER	OUTFLOW	MASS OUTFLOW	STORAGE(R)	STORAGE(A)
0.00	0.00	0.00	280.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2.00	12.20	1.00	281.05	0.00	94.76	94.76	913.50	913.50
4.00	24.40	4.03	283.70	0.00	175.82	175.82	217.23	217.23
6.00	36.60	9.07	286.75	0.00	207.46	207.46	866.91	866.91
8.00	48.80	16.13	288.63	0.00	239.17	239.17	493.05	493.05
10.00	42.70	13.26	288.74	0.00	105.73	105.73	588.47	588.47
12.00	36.60	9.07	288.23	0.00	102.88	102.88	145.05	145.05
14.00	24.40	4.03	287.31	0.00	88.88	88.88	347.69	347.69
16.00	12.20	1.00	286.07	0.00	109.07	109.07	271.08	271.08
18.00	0.00	0.00	283.83	0.00	67.64	67.64	329.05	329.05
20.00	0.00	0.00	281.17	0.00	379.41	379.41	1017.27	1017.27
22.00	0.00	0.00	280.63	0.00	47.84	47.84	550.29	550.29
24.00	0.00	0.00	280.25	0.00	178.56	178.56	218.12	218.12

crest of dam = 695 ft.  
crest of dike = 665 ft.  
total length = 1360 ft.

APPENDIX E

INFORMATION - NATIONAL INVENTORY OF DAMS



# INVENTORY OF DAMS IN THE UNITED STATES

STATE	DIVISION	CONGR. DIST.	CONGR. COUNTY	CONGR. COUNTY DIST.	NAME	LATITUDE (NORTH)	LONGITUDE (WEST)	REPORT DATE
CT	108	NED	CT 001	05	SAMUEL P SENIOR DAM	4114.9	7521.0	08SEP78

POPULAR NAME		NAME OF IMPOUNDMENT	
SAUGATUCK RESERVOIR DAM		SAUGATUCK RESERVOIR	
REGION/BASIN	RIVER OR STREAM	NEAREST DOWNSTREAM CITY-TOWN-VILLAGE	DIST. FROM DAM (MI.)
01 07	SAUGATUCK RIVER	WESTPORT	7
			POPULATION
			29500

TYPE OF DAM	YEAR COMPLETED	PURPOSES	STATIC HEIGHT (FT.)	HYDRAULIC HEIGHT (FT.)	IMPOUNDING CAPACITIES (ACRE-FT.)	DIST. OWN	FED	R	PRV	FED	N	N	N	VER/DATE
C1PG	1941	S	130	128	42000	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	N	23AUG78

REMARKS	

D/S HAS	SPILLWAY CREST LENGTH (FT.)	MAXIMUM DISCHARGE (CF)	VOLUME OF DAM (CY)	POWER CAPACITY (MW)	INSTALLED PROPOSED	NO.	LENGTH (FT.)	WIDTH (FT.)	DEPTH (FT.)	NAVIGATION LOCKS
1	990 U 300	15600								

OWNER	ENGINEERING BY	CONSTRUCTION BY
BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO	CLARENCE M BLAIR INC	BRIDGEPORT HYDRAULIC CO

REGULATORY AGENCY		OPERATION		MAINTENANCE	
NONE		NONE		NONE	

INSPECTION BY	INSPECTION DATE	AUTHORITY FOR INSPECTION
FLAHERTY-GIAVARA, ASSOC, PC	26JUL78	PL 92-367

REMARKS	