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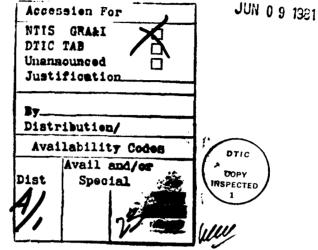
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REPLY TO ATTENTION OF:

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Honorable Edward J. King Governor of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts State House Boston, Massachusetts



Dear Governor King:

Inclosed is a copy of the Ames Pond Dam & Dike (MA-01006 and MA-01296) Phase I Inspection Report, which was prepared under the National Program for Inspection of Non-Federal Dams. The report is based upon a visual inspection, a review of past performance, and a preliminary hydrological analysis. A brief assessment is included at the beginning of the report.

The preliminary hydrologic analysis has indicated that the spillway capacity for the Ames Pond Dam & Dike would likely be exceeded by floods greater than 4 percent of the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Our screening criteria specifies that a dam of this class which does not have sufficient spillway capacity to discharge fifty percent of the PMF, should be adjudged as having a seriously inadequate spillway and the dam assessed as unsafe, non-emergency, until more detailed studies prove otherwise or corrective measures are completed.

The term "unsafe" applied to a dam because of an inadequate spillway does not indicate the same degree of emergency as that term would if applied because of structural deficiency. It does indicate, however, that a severe storm may cause overtopping and possible failure of the dam, with significant damage and potential loss of life downstream.

It is recommended that within twelve months from the date of this report the owner of the dam engage the services of a professional or consulting engineer to determine by more sophisticated methods and procedures the magnitude of the spillway deficiency. Based on this determination, appropriate remedial mitigating measures should be designed and completed within 24 months of this date of notification. In the interim a detailed emergency operation plan and warning system should be promptly developed. During periods of unusually heavy precipitation, round-the-clock surveillance should be provided. NEDED-E Honorable Edward J. King

I have approved the report and support the findings and recommendations described in Section 7, with qualifications as noted above. I request that you keep me informed of the actions taken to implement these recommendations since this follow-up is an important part of the non-Federal Dam Inspection Program.

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering, the cooperating agency for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. This report has also been furnished to the owner of the project, Beacon Mortgage, Inc., 1425 Beacon Street, Brookline, Massachusetts 02146.

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

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

Sincerely,

C. E. EDGAR, III Colonel, Corps of Engineers Commander and Division Engineer

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MERRIMACK RIVER BASIN TEWKSBURY, MASSACHUSETTS

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM

NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

| Identification No.: | MA 01006, MA 01296 |
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| Name of Dam: | Ames Pond Dam and Dikes |
| Town: | Tewksbury |
| County and State: | Middlesex, Massachusetts |
| Stream: | Meadow Brook |
| Date of Inspection: | 20 October 1980 |

BRIEF ASSESSMENT

Ames Pond Dam consists of a dam, two dikes, a spillway and outlet structures. The dam is a composite earth, rock and concrete structure. The dam is about 210 ft. long and 9.7 ft. high. About 50 ft. beyond the right abutment there is a saddle whose low point is 1.2 ft. below the top of dam . The spillway is located near the midpoint of the dam and consists of a two bay broadcrested concrete weir. Each bay is 4.25 ft. long and 3.2 ft. high. A 12 in. dia. cast iron pipe siphon is located just right of the spillway through the right embankment of the dam. The low level outlet is an 18 in. dia. cast iron pipe through the base of the concrete spillway. It is in a deteriorated condition and does not appear to be operative.

Dike A, an earth embankment dike is located on the east rim of the pond about 700 ft. north of the dam. The dike is 210 ft. long and about 11.2 ft. high.

A second earth dike, (DikeB) is located on the east rim of the pond about 400 ft. north of Dike A. It is about 160 ft. long and 5.5 ft. high. It's crest is 2.8 ft. higher than either the Dam or Dike A.

Ames Pond is an impoundment used for recreational purposes. The pond is about 3,200 ft. long and has a surface area of 81 acres at spillway crest level. The drainage area is 1.58 sq. mi. (1,011 acres) and the maximum storage to top of the low point in the saddle on the right abutment is 485 acre-ft.; the size classification is thus small. Failure of the dam or either dike would flood several homes and several roadways with the potential for the loss of more than a few lives. Consequently, the facility has been classified as having a high hazard potential. Based on small size and high hazard, the range for the test flood is ¹/₂ PMF to a full PMF. The test flood selected for the project is a ¹/₂PMF. The test flood inflow is 1,230 cfs; the routed test flood outflow of 790 cfs would overtop the low point in the right abutment saddle by 1.7 ft. and the top of the dam by 0.5 ft. The spillway can pass about 61 cfs or about 8 percent of the routed test flood outflow without overtopping the low point in the right abutment.

The facility is judged to be in poor condition. At the time of the inspection there was heavy brush and tree growth on both the dam and dike embankments. The concrete in the spillway was in poor condition. There was seepage through the spillways downstream training walls and also at the downstream toe of Dike A. The low level outlet does not appear to be operative.

Within one year after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report, the owner, Beacon Mortgage, Inc., should retain the services of a registered professional engineer and implement the results of his evaluation of the following: (1) perform a detailed hydrogolic and hvdraulic analysis to further assess the need for and means to increase the project discharge capacity; (2) determine the feasibility of raising the embankment and the saddle in the reservoir rim; (3)investigate the seepage through the spillway's downstream training walls; (4) recommend methods of repair of the spillway; (5) investigate the wet area at the downstream toe of Dike A; (6) investigate the need for bedding and riprap on the upstream slopes of the dam and dike embankments; (7) investigate the tilting of the concrete wall on the dam's left embankment; (8) investigate the feasibility of either repairing the low level outlet or providing another means for draining the pond in the event of an emergency; (9) conduct a seismic investigation and analysis by conventional equivalent static load methods; and (10) remove all trees (greater than 4 in.) including root systems from the crest, slopes and within 10 ft. of the toe of the dam and dikes and backfill with suitable compacted material.

The owner should also implement the following operating and maintenance measures; (1) repair erosion of the slopes at the intersection of the dam embankments with the concrete spillway structure; (2) institute an annual technical inspection program for the dam and appurtenant structures; (3) develop a formal surveilance and "Emergency Action Plan" including round-the-clock monitoring during periods of heavy precipitation; (4) implement a regular periodic maintenance program; and, (5) remove all small trees (less than 4 in. dia.) and brush growth from all embankments and within 10 ft. of the toe of all embankments.

Peter B. Dyson Project Engineer



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PREFACE

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

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

t is important to note that the condition of a dam depends on numerous and contantly changing internal and external conditions, and is evolutionary in nature. t would be incorrect to assume that the present condition of the dam will coninue to represent the condition of the dam at some point in the future. Only hrough continued care and inspection can there be any chance that unsafe conitions be detected.

hase I inspections are not intended to provide detailed hydrologic and hydraulic nalyses. In accordance with the established Guidelines, the Spillway Test Flood s based on the estimated "Probable Maximum Flood" for the region (greatest easonably possible storm runoff), or fractions thereof. Because of the magniude and rarity of such a storm event, a finding that a spillway will not pass he test flood should not be interpreted as necessarily posing a highly inadeuate condition. The test flood provides a measure of relative spillway capaity and serves as an aide in determining the need for more detailed hydrologic nd hydraulic studies, considering the size of the dam, its general condition nd the downstream damage potential.

he Phase I Investigation does not include an assessment of the need for fences, ates, no-trespassing signs, repairs to existing fences and railings and other tems which may be needed to minimize trespass and provide greater security for he facility and safety to the public. An evaluation of the project for comliance with OSHA rules and regulations is also excluded. TABLE OF CONTENTS

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SECTION 3 - VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Findings

a. <u>General</u>. The visual inspection of Ames Pond Dam took place on 20 October 1980. At that time the water level in the pond was about 0.2 ft. below the spillway crest and no water was flowing out of the pond. Seepage was noted to be coming out of cracks in the downstream spillway training walls and seepage was noted at the toe of Dike A. Tree and brush growth was abundent on both the dam and the dikes. The vertical alignment of the dam is poor and the crest has an exposed granular surface. On the basis of the Phase I visual examination the physical condition of Ames Pond Dam appears to be generally poor.

b. Dam. Ames Pond Dam is a composite earth, concrete and rock structure but is predominately constructed of earth. The dam is about 210 ft. long and is about 9.7 ft. high. The dam has a centrally located spillway facility and is flanked by earth embankments. The crest of the dam is about 12 ft.wide and the downstream slope is about 1½ horizontal to 1 vertical. The upstream slope is irregular. There is a concrete wall on the downstream side of the crest of the left embankment and its top is flush with the embankment crest. Large random rocks have been dumped on both embankment's (photo nos. 1,2 and 3. Appendix C).The vertical alignment of the dam is poor and there is tree and brush growth on the embankments.

The concrete wall extends along the entire length of the left embankment. It is deteriorated and is tilting about 30° from the vertical in the downstream direction (photo no. 4 appendix C). The depth of the wall is unknown.

The left and right embankments are irregular in shape but have average downstream slopes of about l_2^1 horizontal to 1 vertical. There is evidence of trespassing on the slopes and erosion at the intersection of the embankments with the concrete spillway. There is no evidence of seepage through either the left or right embankment. The oversized boulders placed on the upstream slope have no bedding and are of little value as riprap.

There is a topographic low saddle on the reservoir rim beyond the right embankment. The low point of the 95 ft. long saddle is about 1.2 ft. below the crest of the dam and about 1.5 ft. above the spillway crest. During high pond levels, water will discharge through this saddle and into Meadow Brook, before overtopping the crest of the dam. (see photo no. 3).

SECTION 2 - ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 Design Data

No data on the design of the dam or appurtenances has been recovered and probably none exists. In the course of the inspection, some measurements were taken and a sketch plan and profile layout of Ames Pond Dam, Dikes and appurtenances was prepared, which is included in Appendix B.

2.2 Construction Data

No records or correspondence regarding construction have been found.

2.3 Operation Data

No engineering operational data were disclosed.

2.4 Evaluation of Data

a. <u>Availability</u>. There was no engineering data available. The basis of the evaluation presented in this report is principally the visual observations of the inspection team.

b. <u>Adequacy</u>. The lack of in-depth engineering data did not allow for a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of this dam could not be assessed form the standpoint of reviewing design and construction data, but is based primarily on visual inspection, past performance history and sound engineering judgement.

c. Validity. Not applicable.

<u>Dike A</u>

- (1) Invert 139.5^+
- (2) Size 2 ft. high by 3.5 ft. wide
- (3) Description Concrete box culvert
- (4) Control Mechanism None visible
- (5) Other Does not appear to be operative

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Dike "B"

- (1) Type earth embankment
- (2) Length 160 ft.

- (3) Height 5.5 ft.
- (4) Top Width 14 ft.
- (5) Side Slopes U.S. 1 horizontal to 1 vertical D.S. 1 horizontal to 1 vertical
- (6) Zoning unknown
- (7) Impervious Core unknown
- (8) Cutoff unknown
- (9) Grout curtain unknown
- h. Division and Regulating Tunnel Not applicable

i. <u>Spillway</u>

- (1) Type 2 concrete weirs 1 - 12" dia. siphon pipe
- (2) Length of weir 2 @ 4.25 ft. (Total 9.5 ft.)
- (3) Crest elevation 148.0
- (4) Gates None
- (5) U/S Channel pond
- (6) D/S Channel Natural stream
- j. <u>Regulating Outlets</u> (not operational)

Main Dam

- (1) Invert 141.7
- (2) Size 18 in. dia.
- (3) Description cast iron pipe
- (4) Control Mechanism none visible
- (5) Other there appears to be an old stop log structure at inlet end which has deteriorated and is now plugged.

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| | e. | Stora | age (acre-feet) | | |
| | | (1) | Normal pool - 350 | | |
| | | (2) | Flood control pool - Not Applicable | 2 | • |
| | | (3) | Spillway crest pool - 350 | | |
| | | (4) | Top of right abutment - 485 | | • |
| | | (5) | Top of dam wall - 610 | | |
| | | (6) | Test Flood pool - 664 | · | |
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| | f. | Rese | rvoir Surface (acres) | | • |
| | | (1) | Normal pool - 81 | | |
| | | (2) | Flood-control pool - Not Applicable | 2 | |
| | | (3) | Spillway crest - 81 | - | |
| | | (4) | Top of right abutment - 98.5 | | |
| | | (5) | Top of dam wall - 109 | ÷ | |
| | | (6) | Test flood pool - 112 | | |
| | g. | Dam | | Dike "A" | |
| | | (1) | Type - Composite, earth, rock and concrete. | Earth embankment | |
| | | (2) | Length - 209 ft. | 210 ft. | |
| | | (3) | Height - 9.7 ft. | 11.2 ft. | |
| | | (4) | Top Width - 12 ft. | 9 ft. averages 1 | |
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| | | (6) | Zoning - unknown | unknown | |
| | | (7) | Impervious Core - unknown | unknown - | |
| | | (8) | Cutoff - unknown | unknown | |
| | | (9) | Grout curtain - unknown | unknown | |
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(7) Total Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation. The total spillway capacity at the test flood elevation is the same as (4) above, 165 cfs at elevation 151.2.

(8) Total Project Discharge at Top of Dam. Since the low level outlet is not operational, the total project discharge when the water level is at the top of the right abutment is the same as (3) above, 61 CFS at elevation 149.5 and 131 cfs at elevation 150.7, top of dam.

(9) <u>Total Project Discharge at Test Flood Elevation</u>. The total project discharge at test flood elevation 151.2 is 790 CFS.

c. <u>Elevation</u> (ft. N.G.V.D. Assumed From U.S.G.S. Map)

- (1) Streambed at toe of dam 141.0
- (2) Bottom of cutoff unknown
- (3) Maximum tailwater unknown
- (4) Normal pool 148.0
- (5) Full flood control pool Not Applicable
- (6) Spillway crest 148.0
- (7) Design surcharge (Original Design) unknown
- (8) Top of right abutment 149.5
- (9) Top of dam wall 150.7
- (10) Top of Dike A -150.7
- (11) Top of Dike B 153.5
- (12) Test flood surcharge 151.2
- d. Reservoir (Length in feet)
 - (1) Normal pool -3,200
 - (2) Flood control pool Not Applicable
 - (3) Spillway crest pool 3,200
 - (4) Top of dam wall -3,300
 - (5) Test flood pool -3,400

h. Design and Construction History. It is not known by whom the dam was designed and constructed. According to records the dam was built originally as part of the Ames Estate and the pond was used for sport fishing. It is believed the dam was constructed around 1920. Records indicate an application to alter the dam was submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Public Works in December 1978. However, at the time of the inspection it did not appear that any recent alterations had been made to the dam.

i. <u>Normal Operating Procedure</u>. There are no known operating procedures for Ames Pond Dam. The existing low level outlet facility does not appear to be operative.

1.3 Pertinent Data

a. Drainage Area. The drainage area contributing to Ames Pond is situated at the headwaters of Meadow Brook. The drainage area encompasses a total of about 1.58 sq. mi., (1,011 acres), The pond has a surface area of 81 acres. The longest circuitous stream course leading to the dam is about 2.4 miles long with an elevation difference of about 112 ft., or at a slope of about 46 ft. per mile. The drainage area has a length of about 1.9 miles and an average width of about 1 mile. The basin consists of forested areas, open fields, and urban developemnt, but is predominately forested. Interstate Route 495 traverses the watershed about 1,000 ft. upstream of the pond. The topography can best be described as rolling terrain. The drainage area rises from elevation 148 at normal pool to elevation 260.

b. Discharge at Damsite.

(1) <u>Outlet Works Conduit</u>. The low level outlet at Ames Pond Dam does not appear to be operative. However, it is estimated the 18 in. outlet pipe would be capable of discharging about 25 CFS if wide open and the water surface level was at top of the right abutment.

(2) <u>Maximum Know Flood at Damsite</u>. No records are available of flood inflows into Ames Pond, nor of spillway releases and surchage heads during such inflows.

(3) <u>Ungated Spillway Capacity at Top of Dam</u>. The total spillway capacity at top of right abutment, elevation 149.5 is 61 cfs and at top of dam, elevation 150.7 is 131 cfs.

(4) <u>Ungated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation</u>. The ungated spillway capacity is about 165 cfs at test flood elevation 151.2.

(5) <u>Gated Spillway Capacity at Normal Pool Elevation</u>. Not applicable.

(6) <u>Gated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation</u>. Not applicable: c. <u>Size Classification</u>. Ames Pond Dam is about 9.7 ft. above downstream stream level, impounding a maximum of about 350 acre-ft. of storage to spillway crest level and about 485 acre-ft. to the top of a low point in the right abutment. In accordance with height and storage capacity criteria given in <u>Recommended</u> <u>Guidelines For Safety Inspection of Dams</u> the project is classified as <u>small</u> in size. A small size dam is one which has a height less than ^5 ft. and a storage capacity greater than 50 acre-ft. but less than ,000 acre-ft.

d. <u>Hazard Classification</u>. It is estimated a breach failure of either the dam or dikes at Ames Pond would result in flooding of homes and roadways.

A breach failure of the dam would flood three houses located about 500 ft. below the dam to depths of about 2 ft. to 3 ft. Near Pinnacle St. it is estimated one house would be subject to about 2 ft. of flooding and a commercial garage would receive about 1 ft. of flooding. In addition to Kendall St. and Pinnacle St. being flooded, East St. and Shawsheen St. both located further downstream would be overtopped. No flooding along the reach would occur due to the prefailure spillway discharge.

Immediately below Dike A there is a relatively new housing development. It is estimated four houses located in this development would be flooded to depths ranging from 2 to 3 ft. due to a breach of Dike A. Further downstream along Kendall St., it is estimated 4 houses would be flooded to depths of about 3.5 ft. In addition to the houses being flooded, three local streets would be flooded. Beyond Kendall St. flows would return to Meadow Brook.

A breach of Dike B would inundate the same downstream area as Dike A but to a substantially less degree.

In accordance with the <u>Recommended Guidelines for Safety</u> <u>Inspection of Dams</u>, Ames 'ond Dam has been classified as having a <u>high</u> hazard potential, 'ince failure of the dam or dikes would cause serious damage to homes, a commercial establishment and local roadways, with the potential for the loss of more than a few lives.

e. <u>Ownership</u>. Ames Pond Dam is owned by the Beacon Mortgage, Inc. 1425 Beacon St., Brookline, MA 02146. Tele: 617-232-7850.

An Engineering Report shown in Appendix B indicates the facilities were first owned by the Ames Estate.

f. <u>Operator</u>. Mr. James Boyle, Beacon Mortgage, Inc. 1425 Beacon St., Brookline, MA 02146. Tele: 617-232-7850.

g. <u>Purpose of Dam</u>. The dam impounds a pond used for recreational purposes.

b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances

(1) <u>Description of Dam</u>. Ames Pond Dam is a composite, earth, concrete and rock structure. The dam is about 210 ft. long and about 9.7 ft. high. The crest of the dam is about 12 ft. wide and the downstream slope is about 1½ horizontal to 1 vertical. The upstream slope is irregular. The majority of the dam is constructed of earth. There is a concrete wall on the downstream side of the crest of the left embankment. The top of the wall is flush with the dam crest. There are large random dumped rocks on both left and right embankments. The rim of the pond just to the right of the dam has a saddle, which leads to Meadow Brook. It is about 1.2 ft. lower than the top of the dam. •

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(2) <u>Dike A</u>. Dike A is an earth embankment about 210 ft. long and <u>11.2</u> ft. high. It is located on the east rim of the reservoir about 700 ft. north of the dam. The dike has a crest width of about 9 ft. and a downstream slope of 1½ horizontal to 1 vertical. The upstream slope is variable but averages about 1 horizontal to 1 vertical. An old outlet structure passes through the dike near the right abutment. The culvert is about 2 ft. high and 3.5 ft. wide. The outlet culvert is plugged with earth on the upstream side and there are no visible controls for the structure.

(3) Dike B. Dike B is an earth embankment about 160 ft. long and 5.5 ft. high. It is located on the east rim of the reservoir about 400 ft. north of Dike A. The dike has a crest width of about 14 ft. and a downstream slope of 1 horizontal to 1 vertical. The upstream slope is about 1 horizontal to 1 vertical. The crest of the dike is 2.8 ft. higher than the crest of both the Dam and Dike A. The dike is constructed across a natural swale on the rim of the pond. It's upstream toe is slightly above the water surface at normal pool level.

(4) <u>Spillway</u>. The spillway is located near the midpoint of the dam. The spillway facility consists of a two bay broadcrested concrete weir 4.25 ft. long and 3.2 ft. high and a 12 in. dia. cast iron pipe siphon. The siphon is located just to the right of the spillway. The two bays are separated by a concrete column about 4.5 ft. wide.

(5) Low Level Outlet. The low level outlet at the dam does not appear to be operative. It is an 18 in. dia. cast iron pipe through the base of the concrete spillway. The outlet invert in located 9 ft. below the top of dam. The length of the pipe is unknown and there appears to be no existing outlet control. There is a deteriorated stoplog structure on the upstream side of the concrete spillway which at one time may have served as the controls for the low level outlet. The outlet pipe is either closed or plugged.

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

AMES POND DAM MA 01006

SECTION 1 - PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General

a. <u>Authority</u>. 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 throughout 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. Louis Berger & Associates, Inc. has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of Massachusetts. Authorization and notice to proceed was issued to Louis Berger & Associates, Inc. under a letter of 15 October 1980 from William E. Hodgson, Jr., Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW33-80-C-0043, Job Change No. 2 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

b. Purpose of Inspection

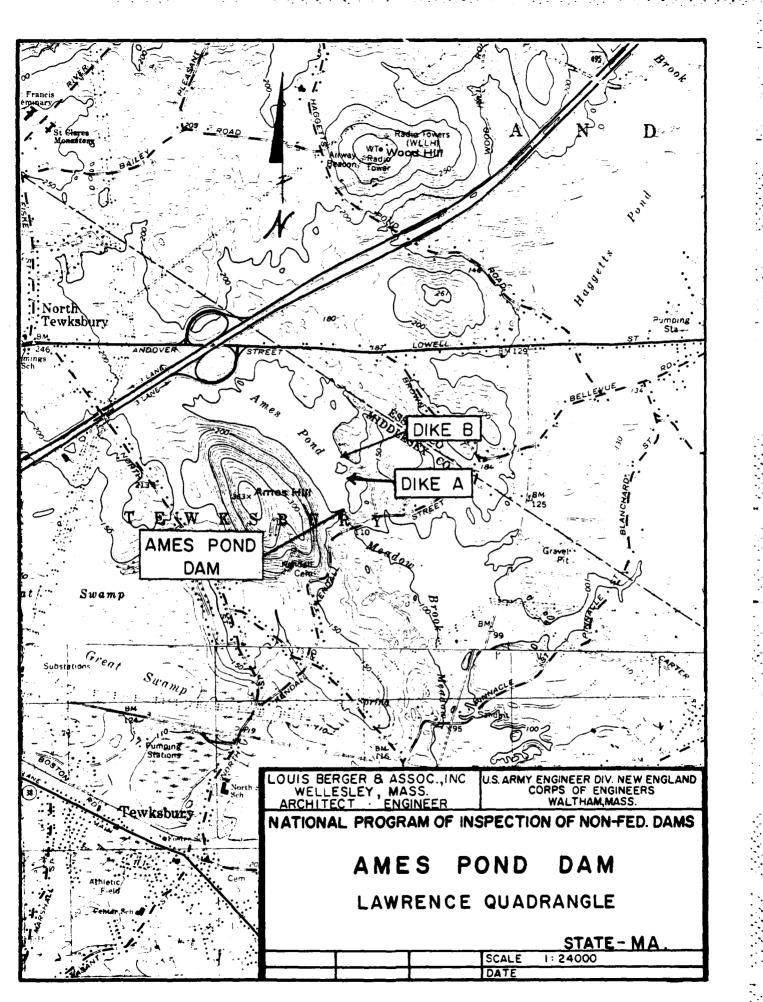
(1) Perform technical inspection and evaluation of non-Federal dams to identify conditions which treaten the public safety and thus permit correction in a timely manner by non-Federal interests.

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

(3) Update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

1.2 Description of Project

a. Location. Ames Pond Dam is located in Middlesex County in the Town of Tewksbury, Massachusetts. The dam is situated at the headwaters of Meadow Brook which joins the Shawsheen River at a point about 3.2 miles below the dam. The Shawsheen River joins the Merrimack River about 14 miles downstream of the dam. Ames Pond Dike A is located about 700 ft. north of the dam on the east rim of the pond and Ames Pond Dike B is located about 400 ft. north of Dike A. The dam is just north of Kendall St. and is shown on U.S.G.S. Quadrangle Lawrence, Mass.-N.H., with coordinates approximately at N 42° 37' 58", W 71^o 13' 16".



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Appurtenant Structures. The spillway is located near the с. midpoint of the dam. The primary spillway is a concrete structure consisting of two broadcrested concrete weirs each 4.25 ft. long and separated by a 4.5 ft. long concrete column. The walls of the weir are about 3.2 ft. high. Photo no. 6 shows the upstream side of the concrete spillway. A 12 in. dia. cast iron pipe passes through the right embankment and serves as a siphon spillway. Photo no. 7 is a view of the downstream face of the concrete spillway. The right downstream training wall is broken and spalled and clear, clean seepage is issuing from the deteriorated concrete (see photo no. 8) The seepage through the right training wall is estimated to be about 0.1 gpm. Seepage was also noted in the right training wall to a lesser degree. The concrete spillway is in generally poor condition. The auxilliary siphon spillway appeared to be in fair condition but it could not be ascertained if its inlet end was open or plugged.

Dike A, one of the dikes, is located on the east rim of the pond about 700 ft. north of the dam. The dike is an earth embankment about 210 ft. long and 11.2 ft. high. The crest of the dike is about 9 ft. wide and the downstream slope is about $l_{\frac{1}{2}}$ horizontal to 1 vertical. The upstream slope is irregular. Photo no. 9 shows the considerable light tree growth on the upstream slope and the remains of an old and apparently plugged outlet structure. There is no slope protection on the upstream slope. There is extensive erosion and trespassing at its intersection with the concrete outlet structure. The approximately $1\frac{1}{2}$ horizontal to 1 vertical downstream slope of the dike shows signs of erosion and there are some large trees growing on the downstream slope. An approximately 30 feet square wet area was noted along the downstream toe of the dike. Seepage was clear and estimated to be about 2 to 4 gpm through this area. (See photo no. 10, 13 & 14, Appendix C).

The concrete outlet structure at the dike is in generally good structural condition, but is plugged at its inlet. Because of a new housing development downstream of the dike the outlet structure no longer has a useful purpose.

Dike B is located on the east rim of the pond about 400 ft. north of Dike A. The dike is an earth embankment about 160 ft. long and 5.5 ft. high. The crest of the dike is about 14 ft. wide and the upstream and downstream slopes are about 1 horizontal to 1 vertical (see photo nos. 11 & 12, App. C). The crest elevation is 2.8 ft. higher than the crest elevations of both the Dam and Dike A. The dike spans a natural swale and the water surface of the pond is below the upstream toe of the dike when the pond's pool is at spillway crest level. There is no slope protection on the upstream slope and the crest of the dike showns signs of trespassing. Minor erosion appears on the upstream slope. There is vegetation growth near the upstream slope between the dike and the pond. The low level outlet at the dam does not appear to be operative. It is an 18 in. dia. cast iron pipe through the base of the concrete spillway. The outlet end invert is located 9 ft. below the top of dam. The length of the pipe is unknown and there appears to be no existing outlet control. There is a deteriorated stoplog structure on the upstream side of the concrete spillway and at one time it may have served as the control for the low level outlet. The outlet pipe is either closed or plugged. Some seepage from the pipe was noted, estimated to be 0.5 gpm.

d. <u>Reservoir Area</u>. The shorelines upstream of the dam on both the right and left abutments appear stable with no evidence of landslides or sloughing. The left rim of the pond has mild slopes and the right rim has generally steep slopes. Numerous houses are located on the southerly rim of the pond.

e. <u>Downstream Channel</u>. Immediately below the dam the spillway discharges into a relatively narrow and steep channel which extends about 500 feet to Kendall St. where two 7.0 ft. by 5.1 ft. corrugated metal pipe arches serve as a culvert. Beyond Kendall St. Meadow Brook wanders through a large swampy area for a distance of about one mile. Beyond the swamp the brook meanders gently through a rural part of Tewksbury until reaching the vicinity of the Shawsheen River, where urban development is present.

3.2 Evaluation

The visual inspection adequately revealed key characteristics of the dam as they may relate to its stability and integrity. The dam and appurtenant works were judged to be in poor physical condition. Seepage was noted in both downstream spillway training walls. The spillway concrete is in a deteriorated condition. The low level outlet does not appear to be operative. There is no adequate rip rap protection on the upstream slopes of the dam or dikes. The concrete wall on the left embankment is severly tilted. There is seepage at the toe of Dike A and both the dam and dikes have abundant brush and tree growth on them. The saddle in the right abutment is lower than the top of the dam, and there is no indication of a periodic maintanance program at the facility.

SECTION 4 - OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

4.1 Operating Procedures

a. <u>General</u>. The dam is owned and operated by Beacon Mortgage, Inc. The impoundment is used for recreational purposes, but there are no devices in operating condition for controlling levels of the pond.

b. <u>Description of Any Warning System in Effect</u>. No warning system is in effect at Ames Pond Dam.

4.2 Maintenance Procedures

a. <u>General</u>. There is no documented regular periodic maintenance program in effect at Ames Pond Dam, nor does it appear that any recent maintenance has taken place. There are, however, several items which require periodic maintenance, such as: growth removal from the embankments; repair of the spillway training walls and surveillance of the downstream slopes regarding seeps and animal burrows.

b. <u>Operating Facilities</u>. The low level outlet for the dam shows no sign of maintenance in recent years and is now believed to be inoperative. The stoplog structure is deteriorated and cannot accommodate stoplogs and an old conduit through Dike A has been plugged.

4.3 Evaluation

Overall maintenance of the dam and dikes is poor. General maintenance should involve periodic growth removal from the embankments, surveillance regarding seeps, slope damage and animal burrows etc., maintenance of the low level outlet, and repair of the concrete spillway.

SECTION 5 - EVALUATION OF HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC FEATURES

5.1 General. Ames Pond Dam is an earth embankment spanning the outlet to Ames Pond. Two earth dikes are located on the east rim of the pond about 700 ft. and 1100 ft. north of the dam respectively. The embankments impound a normal storage of about 350 acre-ft. with provisions for an additional 135 acre-ft. of capacity in its surcharge space to the top of the low point in the saddle in the right abutment. The project is basically a low surcharge-low spillage facility used for recreational purposes. The spillway facility consists of two concrete weirs and a 12 in. dia. cast iron pipe siphon which combined are capable of discharging about 61 CFS with the surcharge to the low point in the right abutment. The general topographic features of the 1.58 sq. mi. drainage area is best described as rolling terrain. The drainage area measures about 1.9 miles long, has an average width of about 1 mile, and rises from elevation 148 ft. at spillway crest level to elevation 363. The area contains open fields, forested areas, and urban areas, but is generally forested. Interstate Route 495 divides the drainage area at about midpoint.

5.2 Design Data

No hydrologic computations or hydraulic data has been recovered for the dam.

5.3 Experience Data

No records are available in regard to past operation of the reservoir, nor of surcharge encroachments and flows through the spillway. The maximum past outflows are unknown.

5.4 Test Flood Analysis

Hydrologic characteristics of Ames Pond Dam and drainage area were evaluated in accordance with criteria given in <u>Recommended</u> <u>Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams</u>. As indicated in Section 1.2, paragraphs c and d, Ames Pond Dam is classified as small in size and has a high hazard potential. The recommended Test Flood for hydraulic evaluation of such a dam ranges from a $\frac{1}{2}$ probable maximum flood to a full PMF. A $\frac{1}{2}$ PMF was considered to be appropriate for the test flood in this case.

Precipitation data was obtained from Hydrometeorolgical Report NO. 51, which for this area of Massachusetts is about 24.8 in. of 6 hour maximum rainfall over a 10 square mile area. This value was then reduced by 20 percent to allow for basin size, shape and fit factors and further reduced by 0.4 in. for infiltration losses. The six hour rainfall was distributed into one hour incremental periods as suggested in COE Publication EC 1110-2-1411.

A triangular incremental unitgraph was assumed for the inflow hydrograph using a computed lag time of 5.68 hours to derive a time-to-peak for the triangular hydrograph of 5.07 hours (see computations on Sheets D-7 and D-10, Appendix D), indicating a peak inflow of about 1,230 cfs or a CSM of about 778 cfs.

Discharge tables and curves for the spillway, the saddle in the right abutment and for the top of dam and dikes are shown on sheets D-4 thru D-6, Appendix D. For determining surface areas and surcharge capacities planimetered areas were taken from contours delineated on 1:24,000 and 1:25,000 U.S.G.S. sheets.

A flood routing was performed for the test flood. Results of this routing is shown on sheets D-11 thru D-13, Appendix D and summarized as follows:

| Flood Magnitude | Test Flood Inflow (cfs) | Maximum Res. El. (ft. NGVD) | Max. Head Over Low Point on <u>Rt. Abutment</u> | Routed Test Flood Outflow (cfs. |
|--------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------------|
| ¹ ₂ PMF | 1,230 | 151.2 | 1.7 ft. | 790 |

From the above table, it can be seen that the project will not pass the routed test flood outflow without overtopping the crest of the saddle in the right abutment by 1.7 ft. At that time the crests of the dam embankment and Dike A embankment would be overtopped by 0.5 ft. The facility can handle about 8 percent of the routed test flood outflow without overtopping the saddle in the right abutment.

5.5 Dam Failure Analysis

A breach from overtopping or due to structural failure of either the main dam or dikes is a possibility. For this analysis a breach of the Dam and Dike A were considered separately as the breach outflows from the structures would initially follow different water courses. The New England Division, Corps of Enginers "Rule of Thumb" Guidance for Estimating Downstream Dam Failure Hydrographs was used as a guide in computing the breach outflows.

In the event of a breach of Dike B it is estimated that the breach discharge would be about 25 percent of that of Dike A and the breach flows would go into the same damage reach as that of Dike A

<u>Dam Failure</u>. A breach width of 40 percent of the dam length at midheight equal to 46 ft. and a failure height of 8.5 ft. was assumed for this analysis which results in a breach outflow of about 1,975 CFS including about 60 CFS from the spillway, (see sheets D-14 thru D-22, Appendix D). Discharges from the breach will flow down a small meandering stream called Meadow Brook to the Shawsheen River about 3.2 miles downstream of the dam. Kendall St. a local roadway crosses Meadow Brook about 500 ft. downstream of the dam. There is no significant storage between the dam and Kendall St. and it is estimated the breach flow of 1,975 CFS will overtop Kendall St. by about 3 ft. and three houses adjacent to the street will be flooded to depths of 2 ft. to 3 ft.

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Beyond Kendall St. an approximately 5,600 ft. long reach extends to Pinnacle St. and contains a relatively large swamp which will have a significant effect on retarding the breach flow. It is estimated the breach flow will be about 1,200 CFS on the downstream side of the swamp. Pinnacle Rd. will be overtopped by 2.5 ft., one house will be flooded by about 2 ft. and a commercial garage to a depth of about 1 ft. The next area of significant flooding will be at East St. where it is estimated the street will be overtopped but no other structures will be flooded. Further downstream near the confluence of Meadow Brook and the Shawsheen River the flood flows will be reduced to about 700 CFS and Shawsheen St. will be slightly overtopped, but no other significant flooding will take place. It is estimated that no flooding along the reach will occur due to the prefailure spillway discharge.

Dike A Failure. For this failure anlaysis a breach width of 20 percent of the dike's length at mid-height was used equal to 32 ft. The height of the breach was assumed from the toe of the dike to the top of the embankment a distance of about 11.2 ft. Using these dimensions an outflow of about 2,000 cfs would be realized. (See sheets D-23 thru D-24 Appendix D).

Discharges from the breach will flow down a natural swale in a recently developed residential area, crossing Cardigan Road, Dike Court, and Kendall St., and then returning to Meadow Brook. There will be no significant storage in the reach and it is estimated four houses in the vicinity of Cardigan Road and Dike Court will be flooded to depths of 2 ft. to 3 ft. and four houses in the vicinity of Kendall St. will be flooded by about 3.5 ft. of water.

In summary, in the areas described above there is considerable residential development and several houses would be flooded by a breach of either the Dam or Dike A at Ames Pond. Several local roadways would be flooded and it is estimated the economic loss would be excessive. There also is the potential for the loss of more than a few lives. Sheet D-25, Appendix D shows the area of potential flooding. In accordance with the <u>Recommended Guidelines</u> for Safety Inspection of Dams the dam has been classified as having a high hazard potential.

SECTION 6 - EVALUATION OF STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Visual Observations

The Ames Pond Dam and Dikes are in poor condition at the present time as revealed by the field inspection of October 20,1980. There are several items of a remedial nature which were observed during the field visit and which will require treatment as outlined in Section 7. There are also deficiencies of a potentially more serious nature which require the services of a professional engineer as also outlined in Section 7.

6.2 Design and Construction Data

No definitive plans of the embankments, spillway, and northeast dikes are available. Data on construction of the embankments including detailed laboratory soil test results are also not available. Calculations pertaining to the stability of the embankment, spillway, and the left concrete parapet wall are unavailable.

6.3 Post-Construction Changes

There are no records of any post-construction changes made to the dam or spillway over the course of its history.

6.4 Seismic Stability

The dam is in Seismic Zone NO. 3. Phase I Guidelines recommend, as a minimum, that suitable analysis made by conventional equivalent static load methods should be on record for dams in Zone No. 3. As far as can be determined, no such analysis has been made.

SECTION 7

ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 Dam Assessment

a. <u>Condition</u>. On the basis of the Phase I visual examination, Ames Pond Dam is judged to be in poor physical condition. The spillway facility will only pass about 8 percent of the routed test flood outflow. There is no operational low level outlet at the facility. These factors in addition to other deficiencies reveal that a further investigation should be carried out and that some remedial work is needed.

b. <u>Adequacy of Information</u>. The lack of in-depth engineering data did not allow for a definitive review. Therefore, the adequacy of this dam could not be assessed from the standpoint of reviewing design and construction data, but is based primarily on visual inspection, past performance history and sound engineering judgement.

c. <u>Urgency</u>. The recommendations and remedial measures enumerated below should be implemented by the owner within one year after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.

7.2 Recommendations

It is recommended that the owner, Beacon Mortgage, Inc., should retain the services of a registered professional engineer experienced in the design of dams to make further investigations of the following, and should implement the results:

- Perform a detailed hydrologic and hydraulic analysis to further assess the need for and means to increase the project discharge capacity.
- (2) Determine the feasibility of raising the embankment and the low section of the reservoir rim near the right abutment.
- (3) Investigate the seepage through the spillway's downstream training walls.
- (4) Recommend methods of repair of the spillway.
- (5) Investigate the wet area at the downstream toe of Dike A.
- (6) Investigate the need for bedding and rip rap on the upstream slopes of the dam and dike embankments.
- (7) Investigate the tilting of the concrete wall on the dam's left embankment.

- (8) Investigate the feasibility of reconditioning the low level outlet or providing another means for draining the pond in the event of an emergency.
- (9) Make a seismic investigation and analysis of the dam by conventional equivalent static load methods.
- (10) Remove all large trees (greater than 4 in. dia.) including root systems from the crest, slopes and within 10 ft. of the toe of the dam and dikes and backfill with a suitable compacted material.

7.3 Remedial Measures

- a. Operation and Maintenance Measures
 - (1) Repair erosion of the dam's slopes at the intersection of the embankments with the concrete spillway structure.
 - (2) Institute an annual technical inspection program for the dam and appurtement structures.
 - (3) Develop an "Emergency Action Plan" that will include an effective preplanned downstream warning system, locations of emergency equipment, materials and manpower, authorities to contact and potential areas that require evacuation. The plan will also include round-the-clock monitoring of the project during periods of heavy precipitation.
 - (4) Implement a regular periodic maintenance program.
 - (5) Remove small trees (less than 4 in. dia.) and brush growth from all embankments.

7.4 Alternatives

There are no feasible alternatives to the above recommendations.

Appendix A

Inspection Checklist

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECKLIST PARTY ORGANIZATION

| PROJECT <u>Ames Pond Dam</u> | DATE October 20, 1980 |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| OWNER Beacon Mortgage, Inc. | TIME_1:00 PM |
| | WEATHER Sunny - 60° F |
| | W.S. ELEV. <u>147.8</u> U.S. DN.S. |

INSPECTION PARTY

| A/E REPRESENTATIVES | OWNER'S REPRESENTATIV | ES |
|---------------------------|-----------------------|---------|
| 1Pasquale E. Corsetti | 1 | |
| 2. Roger F. Berry | | |
| 3. Carl J. Hoffman | | |
| 4. William S. Zoino | | |
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| PROJECT_FEATURE | INSPECTED BY | REMARKS |
| 1Hydraulics | Roger F. Berry | LBA |
| 2. Hydrology & Structures | Carl J. Hoffman | LBA |
| 3Geotechnical | William S. Zoino | GZA |
| 4. General Features | Pasquale E. Corsetti | LBA |
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LBA - Louis Berger & Associates, Inc. GZA - Goldberg-Zoino & Associates, Inc.

| PERIODIC INSPECTION | ECTION CHECKLIST | |
|---|---|--|
| OJECT Ames Pond Dam | DATE 20 Oct. 1980 | |
| OJECT FEATURE Dam Embankment | NAME W. S. Zoino | |
| SCIPLINE Geotechnical | NAME | |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS | |
| KE EMBANKMENT | | |
| Crest Elevation | 150.7 | |
| Current Pool Elevation | 147.8 | |
| Maximum Impoundment to Date | Unknown | |
| Surface Cracks | None | |
| Pavement Condition | N / A | |
| Movement or Settlement of Crest | None | |
| Lateral Movement | None | |
| Vertical Alignment | Poor, irregular | |
| Horizontal Alignment | Poor-Concrete curb wall on left embankment tilting downstream | |
| Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures | Poor | |
| Indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes | Concrete curb wall on left en- bankment tilted 30 ⁰ to vertical. | |
| Trespassing on Slopes Vegetation on Slopes Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments | Severe Moderate on both up + downstream slopes Trespassing, Paths | |
| Rock Slop Protection - Riprap Failures | Poor, Large Boulders No Bedding | |
| Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes | None | |
| Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage | Minor 1-2 gpm through spillway training wall | |
| Piping or Boils | None | |
| Foundation Drainage Features | None | |
| Toe Drains | None | |
| Instrumentation System | None | |

| JJECT_Ames_Pond_Dam | DATE 10/20/80 |
|--|--|
| DJECT FEATURE <u>Dike A Embankment</u> | NAME W. S. Zoino |
| SCIPLINE Geotechnical | NAME |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS |
| KE EMBANKMENT | |
| Crest Elevation | 150.7 |
| Current Pool Elevation | 147.8 |
| Maximum Impoundment to Date | Unknown |
| Surface Cracks | None |
| Pavement Condition | N/A-Root growth on crest |
| Movement or Settlement of Crest | None |
| 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 |
| Frespassing on Slopes | Minor |
| Vegetation on Slopes Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments | Heavy upstream and downstream Minor |
| Rock Slop Protection - Riprap Failures | None |
| Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes | None |
| Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage | Minor Seepage 1-2 gpm |
| Piping or Boils | None |
| Foundation Drainage Features | None |
| Toe Drains | None |
| Instrumentation System | None |

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| DJECT FEATURE Dike B Embankment | NAME N. S. Zoino |
| SCIPLINEGeneral Features | NAME |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS |
| KE EMBANKMENT | |
| Crest Elevation | 153.5 |
| Current Pool Elevation | 148.0 |
| Maximum Impoundment to Date | Unknown . |
| Surface Cracks | None |
| Pavement Condition | N / A |
| Novement or Settlement of Crest | Depression about 1.5 ft. deep |
| Lateral Movement | and 6 ft. wide near left abut. None-slopes constructed |
| Vertical Alignment | irregular Fair-not uniform |
| lorizontal Alignment | Fair-slopes irregular |
| Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures | Depression at left abutment. |
| indications of Movement of Structural Items on Slopes | Remanents of conc.wall U/S slope-see below |
| Trespassing on Slopes | Minor |
| Vegetation on Slopes loughing or Erosion of Slopes | Heavy upstream and downstream slopes None |
| or Abutments Rock Slop Protection - | None |
| Riprap Failures | |
| Jnusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes | None |
| Jnusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage | None |
| Piping or Boils | None |
| Foundation Drainage Features | None |
| Toe Drains | None |
| | None |

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| 3. Conditionally safe - major repairs needed |
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| 5. Reservoir impoundment no longer exists (explain) |
| Recommend removal from inspection list |
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ream Face of Dam: Condition: 1. Good_ 2. Minor Repairs___ X 3. Major Repairs____.4. Urgent Repairs____. Comments: TREE barre · •, ency Spillway: Condition: 1. Good____. . . . 2. Minor Repairs_ 3. Major Repairs____4. Urgent Repairs Comments: . **~**. . · · · •••• 6 " · level @ time of inspection: . ft. above X . below top of dam_____. principal spillway___ other ary of Deficiencies Noted: Crowth (Trees and Brush) on Enbankment Animal Eurrows and Washouts Damage to slopes or top of dam_ ۰. Cracked or Damaged Masonry_____ Evidence of Scorage_ Evidence of Piping · . . Erosion Leaks Trash and/or debig impeding flow___ Clogged or blocked spillway___ Other

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The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

EXECUTIVE OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY ENGR. DIVISION OF WATERWAYS

100 Nushua Street, Boston 02114

To: Joseph Iagello/ Dam Section

From: B. H. Harrington/ License and Permits Section

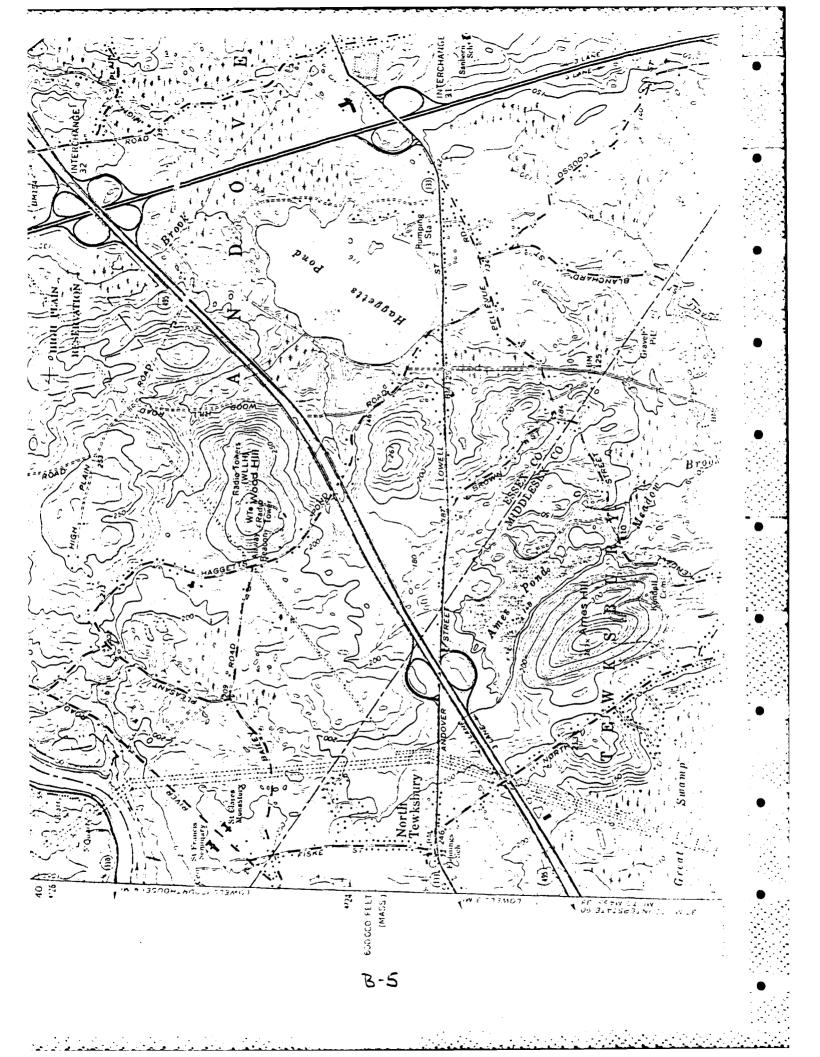
Re: Lake Ames, Tewksbury; Middlesex County sheet 30a and 30c.

A review of existing records in this office, appears to indicate conclusively, that the present impounded volume of the existing ponded area can be considered as original artificial flowage from Strongwater Brook (Meadow Brook so-called). Said brook rises just northeast of North Tewksbury, about $2\frac{1}{2}$ miles east of Lowell, at approximate altitude 180 feet above sea level and flows southeastward about 2 miles southeast of Tewksbury Center.

Additional knowledge of the original pond status could be deternined by research through old deeds, specifically to the flooding of the abutting lands to the waterway, which could possibly be still privately held, although the parties using water therefrom, could have flowage rights for their purposes.

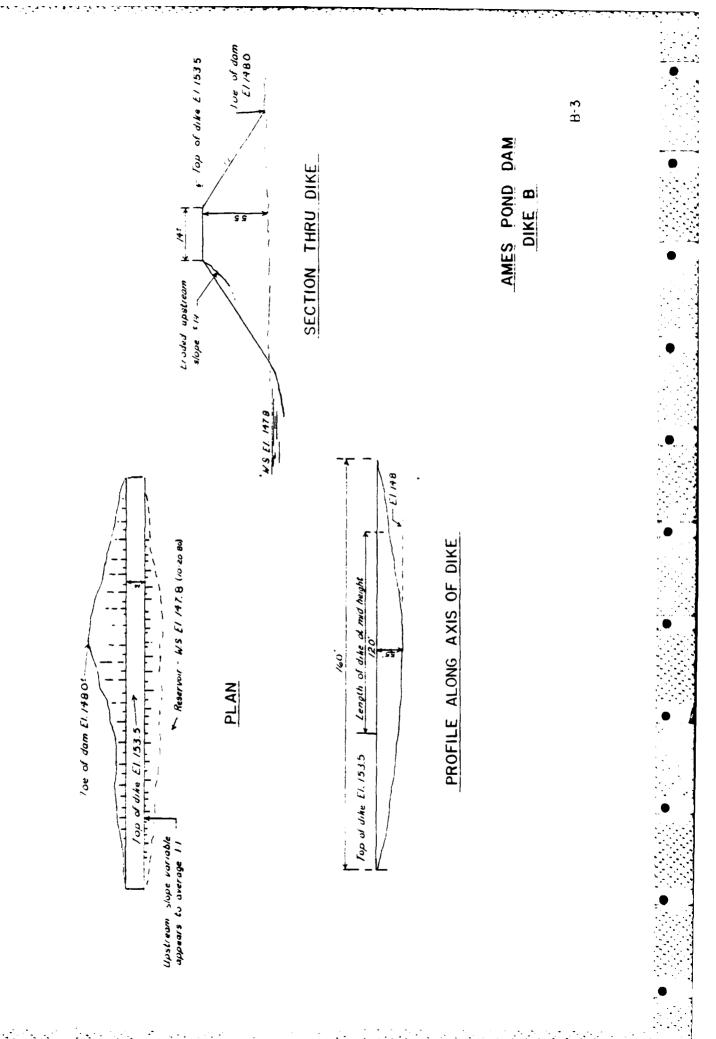
Lake Ames (so-called), elevation is about 148.00 ft. above M.S.L. on the North American datum of 1927. It also appears, to have some kind of control structure present and which possibly could be evaluated under c. 253 s.44 as amended by c. 706 of 1975; however, this is a determination that would be made by the appropriate officiary.

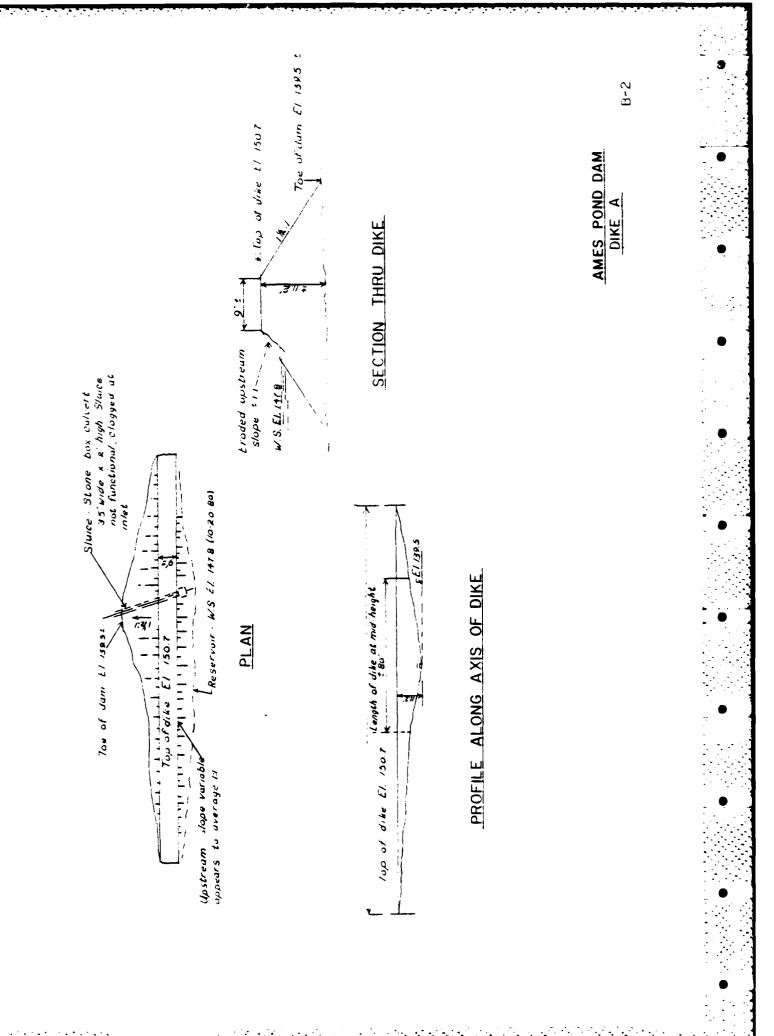
Anno Domini November 7, 1978 Respectfully submitted, Dernard H. Harrington Assistant Civil Engineer

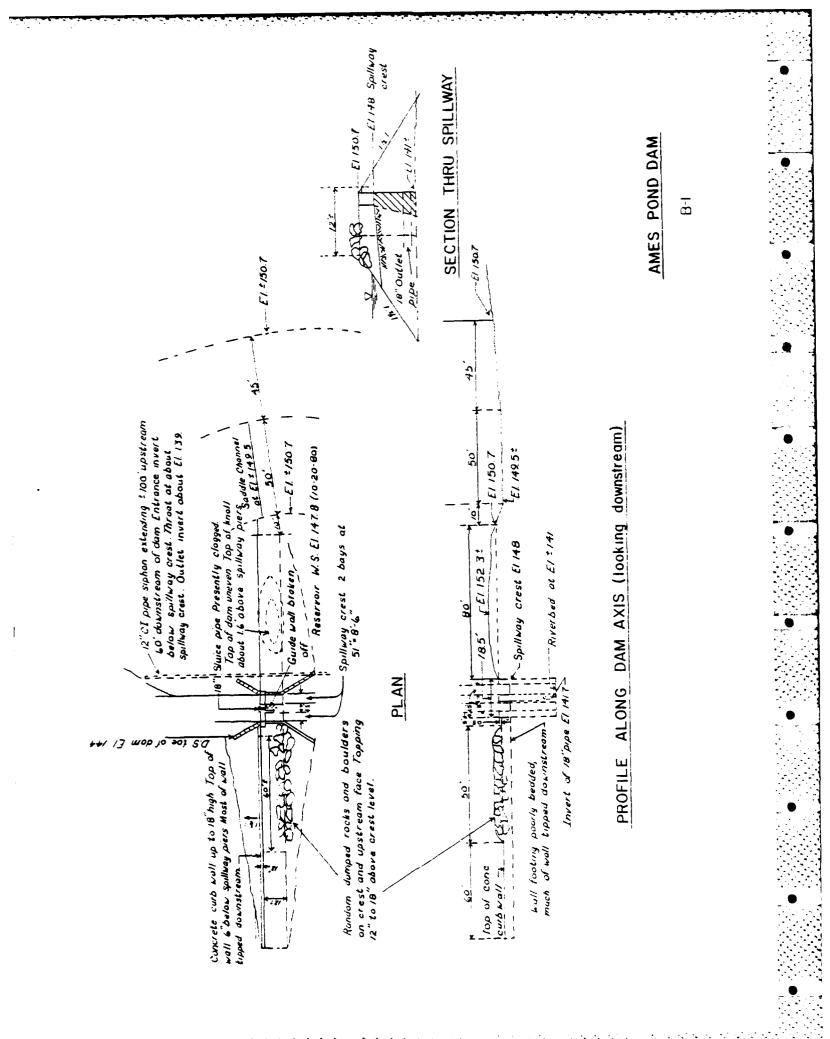


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Engineering Data

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| PROJECT Ames Pond Dam | DATE 20 October 1980 |
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| PROJECT FEATURE | NAME |
| DISCIPLINE | NAME |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS |
| Outlet Works - Control Tower | N / A |
| Outlet Works - Outlet Structure and Outlet Channel | N / A |
| Outlet Works - Service Bridge | N / A |

| ROJECT Ames Pond Dam | DATE 20 October 1980 |
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| PROJECT FEATURE Spillway | NAME |
| SCIPLINE Hydraulics/Structures | NAME Carl Hoffman |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS |
| OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH | |
| A. Approach Channel | |
| General Condition | poor |
| Loose Rock Overhanging Channel | none |
| Trees Overhanging Channel | yes |
| Floor of Approach Channel | silted |
| . Weir and Training Walls | |
| General Condition of Concrete | poor |
| Rust or Staining | minor |
| Spalling | yes |
| Any Visible Reinforcing | none |
| Any Seepage or Efflorescence | none |
| Drain Holes | none |
| . Discharge Channel | |
| General Condition | poor |
| Loose Rock Overhanging Channel | none |
| Trees Overhanging Channel | yes |
| Floor of Channel | dumped random stone riprag |
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| PROJECT Ames Pond Dam | DATE 20 October 1980 |
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| PROJECT FEATURE Low Level Outlet | NAME |
| DISCIPLINE Hydraulics/Structures | |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS |
| OUTLET NORKS - TRANSITION AND CONDUIT | |
| General Condition of Concrete - N/A 1 | metal pipe |
| Rust or Staining on Concrete - yes | |
| Spalling - N/A | |
| Erosion or Cavitation - N/A | |
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| Cracking - N/A | |
| Cracking - N/A Alignment of Monoliths - N/A | |
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Some seepage through pipe about 0.5 gpm

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| PROJECT Ames Pond Dam | DATE 20 October 1980 |
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| PROJECT FEATURE Low Level Outlet | NAME |
| DISCIPLINE_Hydraulics/Structure | NAME_Carl Hoffman |
| AREA EVALUATED | CONDITIONS |
| OUTLET WORKS - INTAKE CHANNEL AND INTAKE STRUCTURE | |
| a. Approach Channel | |
| Slope Conditions - unknown | |
| Bottom Conditions - appears silt | ed |
| Rock Slides or Falls - none | |
| Log Boom - none | |
| Debris - minor, leaves | |
| Condition of Concrete Lining - poo | or,cracks, conc. separated and oken away. |
| Drains or Weep Holes – none evid | - |
| b. Intake Structure | |
| Condition of Concrete - poor | |
| Stop Logs and Slots - N/A - train | ning wall broken |

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Mr. Joseph Iagallo Water Ways Branch Dept. of Public Works 100 Nashua Street Boston, Massachusetts

Dear Mr. Iagallo:

Attached you will find a completed application requesting authorization to construct or alter a reservoir, reservoir dam, or a mill dam. The subject dam is located on Ames Pond in Tewksbury, Massachusetts.

You will note that our run-off calculations are based upon the rational method and a 50 year storm. The method recommended in the "Design of Small Dams" is for larger watersheds. Please advise if this method is acceptable.

Very truly yours, MERRIMACK ENGINEERING SERVICES

Francis E. Gg P.E., R.L.S.

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Executive Office of Transportation and Construction Department of Public Works 100 Nashua Street, Boston 02114

APPLICATION FOR AUTHORIZATION TO CONSTRUCT OR ALTER A RESERVOIR, RESERVOIR DAM OR MILL DAM

JUHISDICTION - Chapter 253 of the General Laws as amended by Chapter 595 of the Acts of 1970

CONDITIONS OF D.P.W. JURISDICTION

Shall not apply to small dams, constructed for irrigation or for other purposes, the breaking of which would involve no risk to life or property, nor to standpipes or tanks, nor to a dam where the area draining into the pond formed thereby does not exceed one square mile; unless the dam is more than ten feet in height above the natural bed of the stream at any point, or unless the quantity of water which the dam impounds exceeds one million gallons.

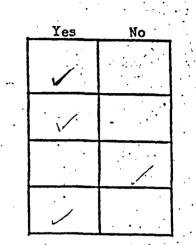
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Part "A"

JURISDICTIONAL DETERMINATION (check the appropriate column)

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- 1. Is there a risk to Life and Property downstream in the event of failure?
- 2. Does the area draining into the pond exceed one square mile?
- 3. Does the height of the dam exceed 10 ft. above the natural bed of the stream at any point?
- 4. Does the volume of water impounded at maximum pool level exceed one million gallons?



If the answer to any one of the above questions is Yes, then the Commissioner of Public Works has jurisdiction. Proceed with Part B of this application.

If the answers to all four of the above questions are no, please submit backup information for a review by this Department for our jurisdictional determination. The backup information should include at least:

- a. A copy of a topographic map clearly indicating the location of the dam and the effective drainage area.
- b. A sketch showing the maximum section of the dam indicating its
 height, as measured from the lowest point of the streambed.
- c. Calculations for the volume of water impounded at the maximum design pool level.
- d. A brief statement pertaining to downstream conditions with respect to risk to life and property.

e. The signature of applicant and engineer.

Part "B"

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| | GENERAL INFORMATION | |
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| 1. | Location (City-Town) Tewtsbury Mass | |
| 2. | Detailed description of dam location Locuted at the southerly and of America | |
| | Pond | · . |
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| 3. | Present or Prospective Owner(s) | |
| | Name(s) Beauch Mertyage Co | |
| | Street 1425 Bencen SI City/Town Benchlose State Alacs Zip 021 Telephone Z32-7850 State Alacs Zip 021 | 46 |
| 4. | Name of U.S. Geological Survey Map Quadrangle | |
| 5. | Name of Reservoir or Waterway Amer Pand | |
| 6. | Is there specific legislative authority to construct the d | ani |
| | Yes () Identify No (×) | • |
| 7. | Purpose for the dam <u>Crequerily to dawn a Post for sport</u> | fishing |
| 8. | Nature of the work | • |
| | Proposed dam () Alteration of existing dam (X) Major repair of existing dam () | ۰ |
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Part "B" (continued)

HAZARD EVALUATION

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(Downstream field investigation)

1. The estimated number of people that could be affected by overtopping or failure of the structure, and to what degree they would be affected.

<u>Pellicult is estimated. At livet the two hands religioust to</u> <u>-he worked strands on Knighall mod will be affected. Other:</u> hermes and the "Great swamp" may receive some water damage (unnor) . Number of people = 10

2. The number of properties (homes, buildings etc.) and the estimated extent of damage by overtopping or failure

Leighten ned, Pennacch ned and Kendall road.

3. Roads (type) or other structures that could be affected by overtopping or failure <u>kendell Read</u> (Town Street), a new hox columnts is

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4. Additional Information:

Part "B" (continued)

HYDROLOGIC CONSIDERATIONS

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Procedures for hydrologic design as contained in the latest edition of the U. S. Department of the Interior, Bureau of Reclamation "Design of Small Dams" Due to the size of the watersheel the rational method with a surger storm was attlized.

1. Peak Cutflow ______ 1606 _____ c.f.s..

2. Design storm duration / hour

- 3. Rainfall Intensity <u>6.6</u> "/hr. Percent Runoff <u>76</u> <u>/-72</u> inches.
- 4. Contributory Drainage Area 7.5 sq.mi. (attach a copy of U. S. Topographic Map with the outline of the drainage divide).
- 5. Previous Known flood of record No records available (month) (year)

6. Design maximum flood level elevation 149.7

7. Additional information:

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| Part | : "B" (continued) | |
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| | DESIGN CRITERIA | |
| 1. | Datum used: | |
| | (a) M.S.L. of 1929 | |
| | (b) Assumed | • • |
| | (c) Other | |
| 2. | Maximum height of the dam <u>9.4</u> ft. | |
| | (a) Jop elevation of dam <u>1.17.7</u> . | |
| | (b) Top elavation of spillway 147.01 | • |
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| | Volume of water impounded, at maximum design pool level. <u>150,000,000</u> gallons | Assuming Average |
| L . | Present river bed or channel | Topter CT 5 |
| | elevation $@$ dam 146.67 (August, 76). | |
| 5. | Normal pool elev. 197.6 | |
| | surface area 90 ac. | |
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| 6. | Maximum pool elev. 1497 with flash huards. surface area 72 ac. | |
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| 7. | Type of structure (earth, concrete, etc) | |
| | Earthen Dam Concrete spillway | |
| 8. | Crest mdth <u>E.C</u> ft. | |
| 9. | Freeboard, as measured from the maximum design | 4 |
| | pool level | |
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| 10. | Length of Principal spillway 5 | • |
| 11. | Description of principal spillway <u>See attached Plane</u> . | |
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| 12. | Emergency spillway Yes () No (χ) | |
| | If yes, describe | |
| 13. | Cates Yes () Number Size | _• |
| | No (x) | |
| 14. | Nature of slope protection (riprap, vegetated etc.) <u>Crashed concrete</u> | . • |
| · 15. | Stop log structure(s) Yes () Mechanical () Manual () No () B-17 | • |

Part "B" (continued)

SUBSURFACE INVESTIGATION

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Boring logs, analysis and recommendations to accompany this application. No Boring's Taken

CONSTRUCTION DRAWINGS

(Submit 2 copies with this application) Names & addresses of property owners for all parcels of land within the flowage area must be clearly indicated on the plan.

CONSTRUCTION. SPECIFICATIONS

(Submit 2 copies with this application)

CERTIFICATION OF INSPECTION DURING CONSTRUCTION

Inspecting agent (Must be approved by the Tesign Engineer)

| Name | | ` | | | | | • | |
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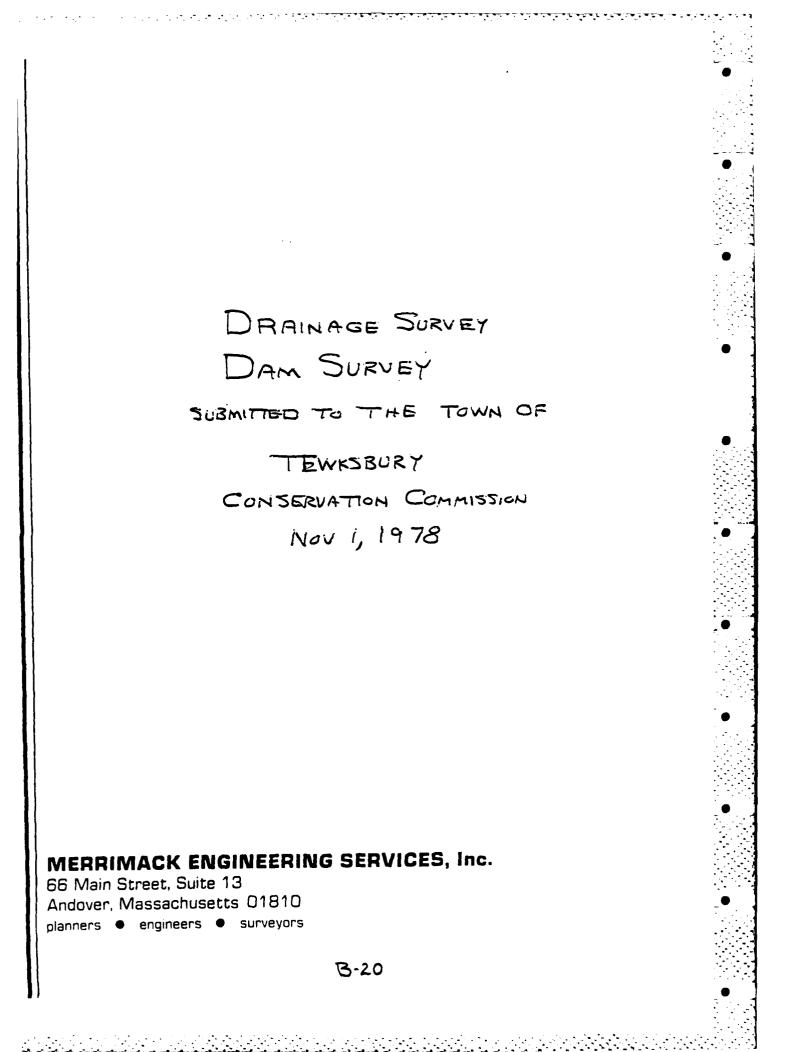
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on plan drawing :.

Inspection during construction periods will be conducted by the approved engineer on a full-time basis. Bi-monthly progress reports are to be submitted to the Massachusetts Department of Public Works (local District office) with copies submitted to the owner and design engineer.

| Inspector signature | | Date | |
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| Applicant signature | * | Date | |
| Design engineer | * | Date | · · · · |

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| STGNATURE SHEET | |
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| APPLICANT | |
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| Street 1475 Bracen Storet | |
| City/Town State | Mess Zip CZ146 |
| Telephone 232-7850 | |
| Signature HARRY McChackan RY. BIC | Date 12/19/ |
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| CONSULTANT ENGINEER FIRM | |
| Name Micromat Engineering Service | <u>es loc</u> |
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| *Signature and P.E. Stamp | Date 12/13 |
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DRAINAGE STUDY FOR AMES POND

Ames Pond is a man made pond located in North Tewksbury near the Andover Town Line and just south of Interstate 495. The pond was built originally as a part of the Ames Estate and was used for sport fishing.

The watershed for the pond consists of approximately 340 acres of land in Andover and approximately 600 acres in Tewksbury for a total watershed of 940 acres. The entire watershed is drained by two main streams which flow from north to south. One stream has its headwaters just north of the intersection of Fiske Road and Maplewood Street in Tewksbury. The other stream has its headwaters near the power lines in Andover.

The Andover portion of the watershed is primarily undeveloped with only approximately 40 single family dwellings in existence. Of these 5 are on Bailey Road, 8 on Lowell Street, 4 on Brown Street and the remainder on Rugthers Road and Sheffield Circle. There are plans for a small cul-de-sal off Bailey Road, and a development off of Brown Street. Approximately 1800 feet of I-495 is in the Ames Pond Watershed in Andover.

The Tewksbury portion of the watershed is more developed with the North Tewksbury area, Deering Drive, Maplewood Road, Woodcrest Road, Fiske Street, Andover Street, North Street and Catamount Road and to a lesser degree Overlook Road. There are 15 homes on North Street, 13 on Andover Street, 19 on Fiske Road, 11 on Woodcrest, 14 on Maplewood, 27 on Deering Drive and 5 on Catamount Road. In addition, I-495 has 3600 LF in the watershed plus two ramps, the digital complex with its buildings, roadways and parking lots is also located within the watershed.

CURRENT GROUND CONDITIONS IN AMES POND WATERSHED

Andover Portion

Assume all Houses 30 x 60 with 15' x 40' Driveways Impervious Area = 30 x 60 x 40 + 15 x 40 x 40 = 96,000SF = 2.2 Acres

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= 126,000SF = 2.9 Acres = 162,000SF = 3.7 Acres

Total Impervious8.8 AcresTotal Wooded331.2 Acres

Tewksbury Portion

Total Man Made Impervious= 43.7 AcresTotal Pond Area= 90.0 AcresTotal Wooded, etc.= 470.0 Acres

Weighted "C" Calculation

Total Watershed Area = 940 Acres Total Impervious (incl. Pond) = 142.5 Acres Total Wooded, etc. = 797.5 Acres

- C Woods assumed = .25(on high side)[For slightly pervious soils with turf slopes 2% or less)
- C Impervious assumed = .95(on high side)

$$C_{wt} = (797.5) \cdot 25 + 142.5(.95) - 940$$

 $C_{wt} = .356$

Time of Concentration Calculation

Maximum Length of Overland And Stream Flow = 6000 LF
Drop in Elevation 250.-148 = 102ft. T_c = 30min. x 2 = 60min. = 1hr. Page 144 .A153 Handbook of Steel Drainage and Highway Construction Products

Rainfall Calculation

10 Year Storm = 2. 52/3. 3"/hr. 25 Year Storm = 2. 92/4. 2"/hr. 50 Year Storm = 3. 22/4. 8"/hr.

Runoff Calculations

Rational Method

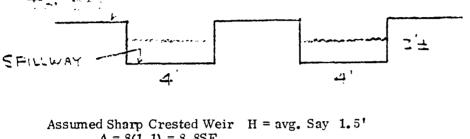
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Considering a 50-year storm discharging 1606CFS into the 90 acre pond for a one hour duration would result in a water level rise of 1.5' if no water escaped over the spillway.

The discharge capacity of the spillway can be approximated as follows:



A = 8(1.1) = 8.8SF L = 8ft. d = 1.1 Q = 3.33(8.0 - .2(1.5))(1.5) 3/2 = 47CFS (velocity of approach small suppressed weir) Q = 3.33 LH 3/2 (1 + .26 \underline{LH}^2) Q = 3.33 8(1.5) 3/2 (1 + .26)

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Additional Impervious Area in:

Q = 66CFS

Tewksbury (Assume Drives 70[†] long - 10[†]wide) Houses - $66 \ge 30 \ge 60$ $66 \ge 10 \ge 70 = 165,000$ SF = 3.8 Acres Roadway and Sidewalk $5000 \ge 36 = 180,000 = 4.1$ Acres

Total Tewksbury Impervious Area = 141.6 Total Tewksbury Wooded Area = 458.4 Acres

Total Watershed

Impervious = 150.4Wooded = 789.6

$$C_{wt_{\bullet}} = \frac{150 \cdot 4(.95) + 789 \cdot 6(.251)}{940} = .362$$

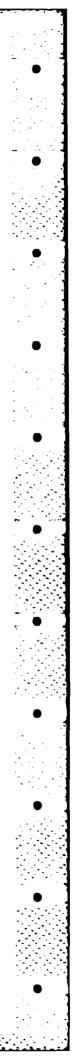
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Hydrologic and Hydraulic Computations





13. Extensive erosion on upstream slope of Dike A at abandoned outlet structure.



14. Erosion along crest of Dike A

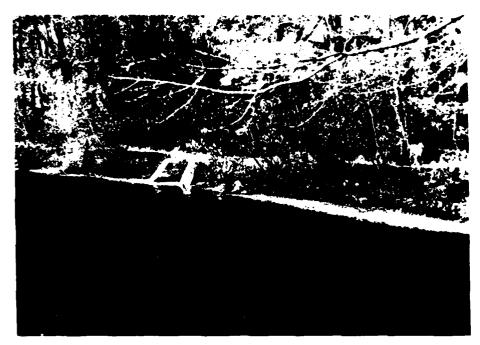


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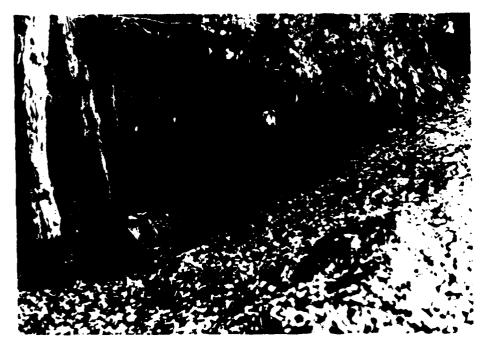
11. View along crest and downstream slope of Dike B.



12. Upstream slope of Dike B - Note concrete wall in center of photograph.



9. Upstream slope of Dike A.



10. Downstream slope of Dike A.



7. Downstream face of spillway



 Deteriorated downstream spillway training wall and low level outlet.



5. Saddle on right reservoir rim.



6. Upstream view of concrete spillway and siphon spillway.

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3. Boulders on upstream slope of left dam embankment.



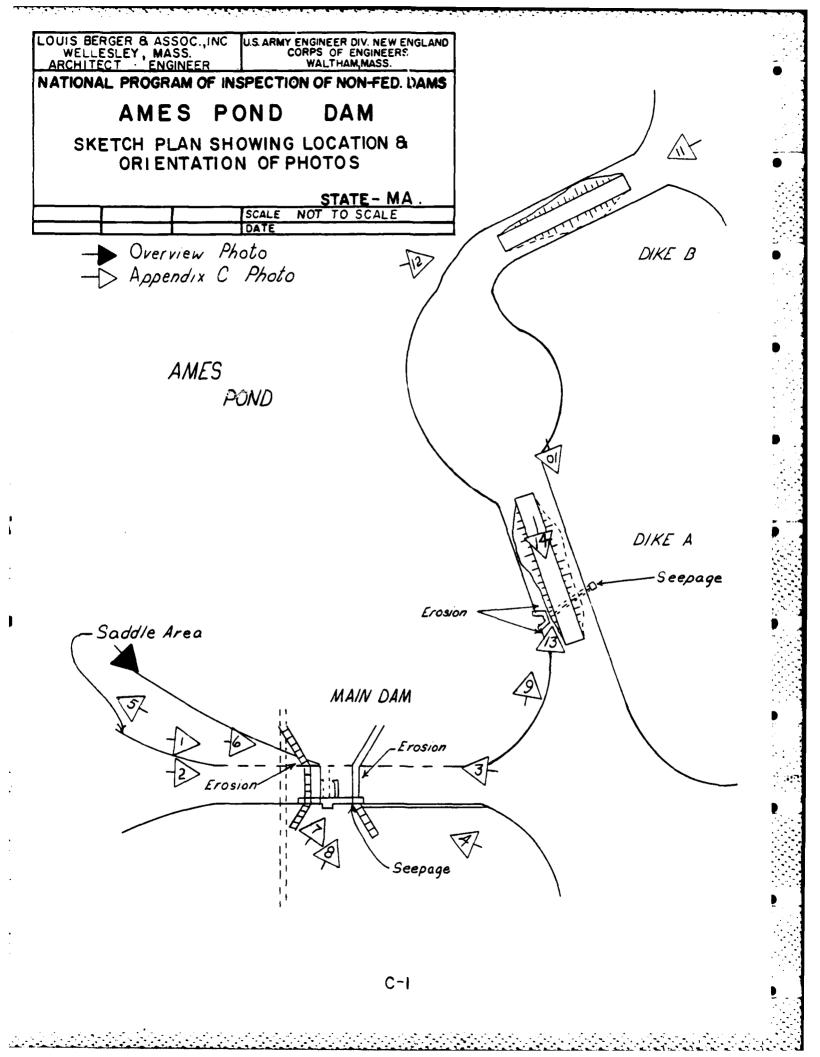
 Downstream slope of left dam embankment - note concrete wall just beyond the tree in foreground.



1. View of trees and boulders on upstream slope of dam.



2. View along crest of dam.



Appendix C

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Hydraulic Conditions (Continued)

A look at the sections taken through the dam indicate that a large amount of siltation has taken place behind the dam over the years. The pond bottom is now at the level of the spillway with the water being only 5' deep at a distance of 100' from the dam. This siltation has the effect of making the dam more hydraulically tight. It also adds to the structural stability of the earth fill portion of the dam. The soil does place a greater lateral load on the concrete portion of the dam than the water would alone.

The Conservation Commission asked my client to prove that the dam is safe now and that is will be safe in the future. The current situation looks much worse than it is. The cracked concrete portion of the dam does need some work to improve on its appearance and to insure its long term stability. There is little danger of imminent failure due to the shape of the dam and the cracked blocks of concrete. There is less of a chance for a major leak forming in the dam since the cracks would open, or wear, only very slowly and as such would not result in a rapid increase in seepage.

Proposed Remedial Work

- 1. The down stream face of the spillway should be sand blasted clean.
- 2. An epoxy cement should be injected through pre-drilled holes to seal the concrete both structurally and hydraulically the 18" pipe shall be filled with concrete.
- 3. After the dam has been sealed, a back-up dam structure shall be placed behind (down-stream side) the existing dam. The details of reinforcement thickness of concrete and dimensions are shown on the the attached plan.

With the recommended changes, the structural and hydraulic integrity of the dam will be restored to its original, or better, condition. My client is willing to undertake the proposed dam repair if it is made a condition of approval by the Conservation Commission.

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SURVEY OF THE EARTH AND CONCRETE DAM LOCATED ON AMES POND

At the request of the Conservation Commission, we have prepared this report on the Structural and Hydraulic Safety of the Subject Dam. The Topography of the dam along with its dimensions are shown on the attached plan which is made a part of this report.

<u>History</u> - The dam was built as a part of the Ames Estate around the turn of the century. The pond was originally used for sport fishing. The dam was constructed of earth fill with a central concrete spillway section. The spillway section had the capacity to receive flood boards which could raise the water level in the pond from elevation 147.01 (The top of the spillway) to elevation 149.7(The top of the dam). In the 1960's, a siphon was installed which was used to keep the level in the pond down so that the hydraulic load on the dam would be minimized. During the period of our survey, the top of the spillway was dry. That is, no water was flowing over the spillway. The only water leaving the dam area was through a crack in the dam.

Structural Condition

The earth fill is in good structural condition. No water appears to be permeating through the earth or cracks in the earth.

The concrete spillway section of the dam is crossed by many cracks. The main crack runs horizontally. It is through this crack that water is passing. Other cracks exist in the wing walls and just below the spillway section. Some of these cracks have opened up to widths of 1". (None of these are leaking). Other cracks are opened to lesser widths. There does not appear to be any lateral displacement of concrete portions of the dam.

Hydraulic Conditions

The earth fill portion of the dam is hydraulically tight. The concrete portion is leaking as indicated above. In estimate of the leakage is hard to determine at this time. I would estimate, based upon the stream flow below the dam that it is less than 1 CFS.

After Development Discharge

 $Q_{10} = .362 (3.3)940 = 1122CFS$ $Q_{25} = .362 (4.2)940 = 1429CFS$ $Q_{50} = .362 (4.8) 940 = 1633CFS$

Descentage Difference10 Year = 1.63%Percentage Difference25 Year = 1.63%Percentage Difference50 Year = 1.63%

Conclusion

The increment in runoff to Ames Pond as a result of the development of the 66 lot subdivision amount to 1.63% or .0163 of the total flow into Ames Pond in the 10, 25 and 50 year storm. We would respectfully submit that this increase is minimal and that no significantly larger increase in runoff is to be expected. We would also submit that the quality of the water in Ames Pond will not be adversely effected by the proposed sub-division.

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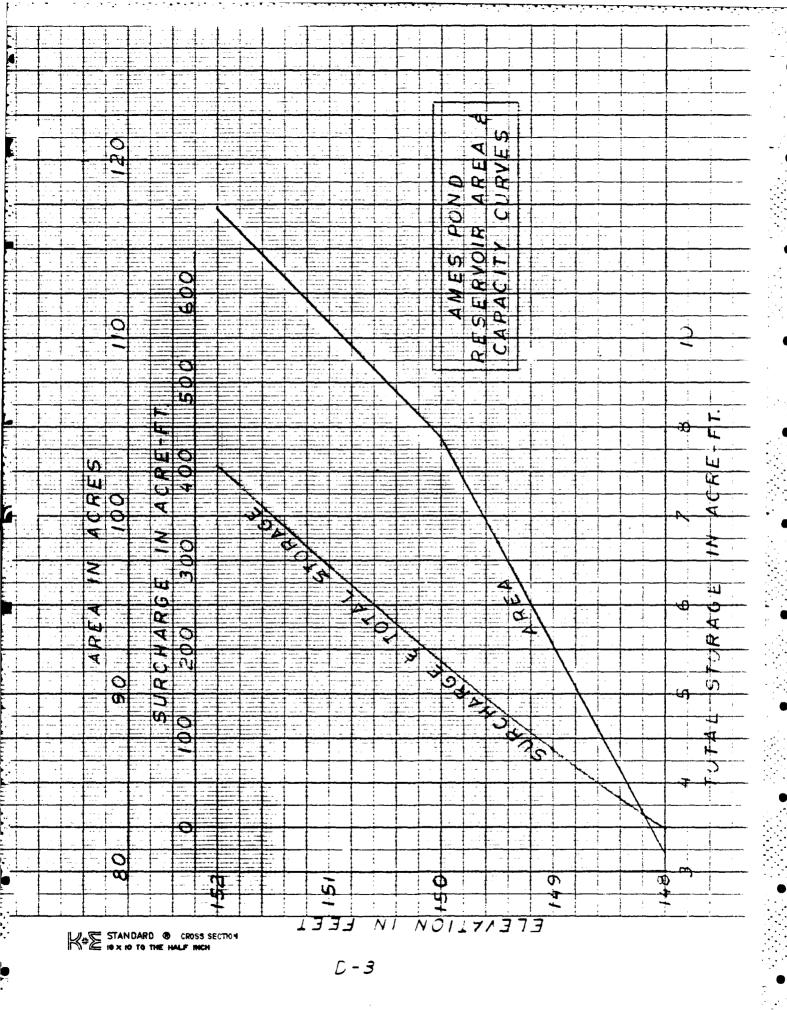
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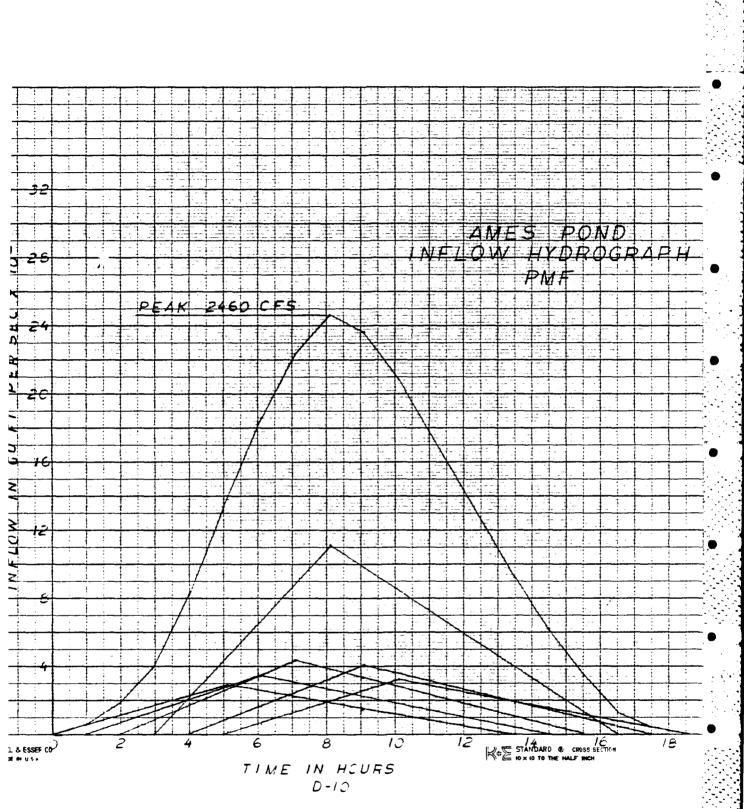
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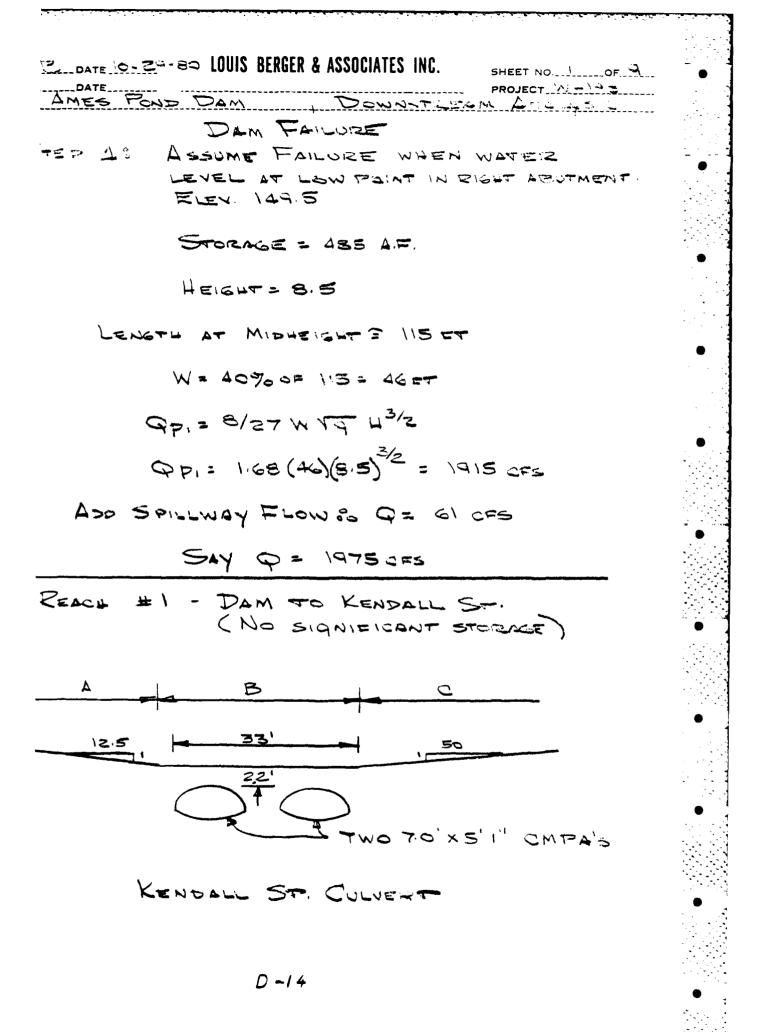
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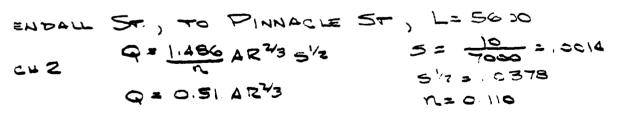
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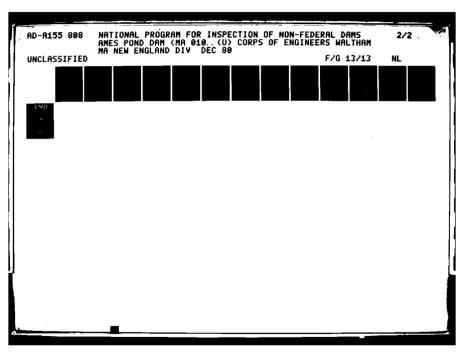
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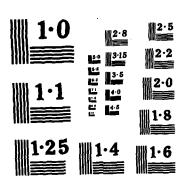
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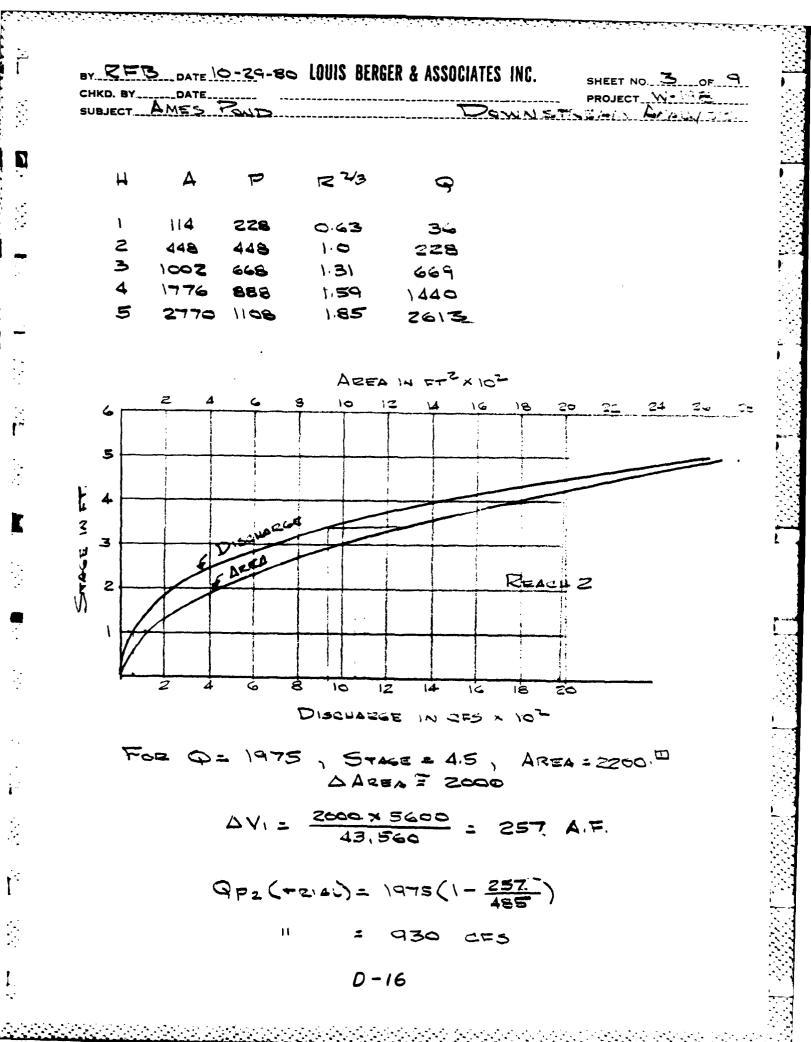


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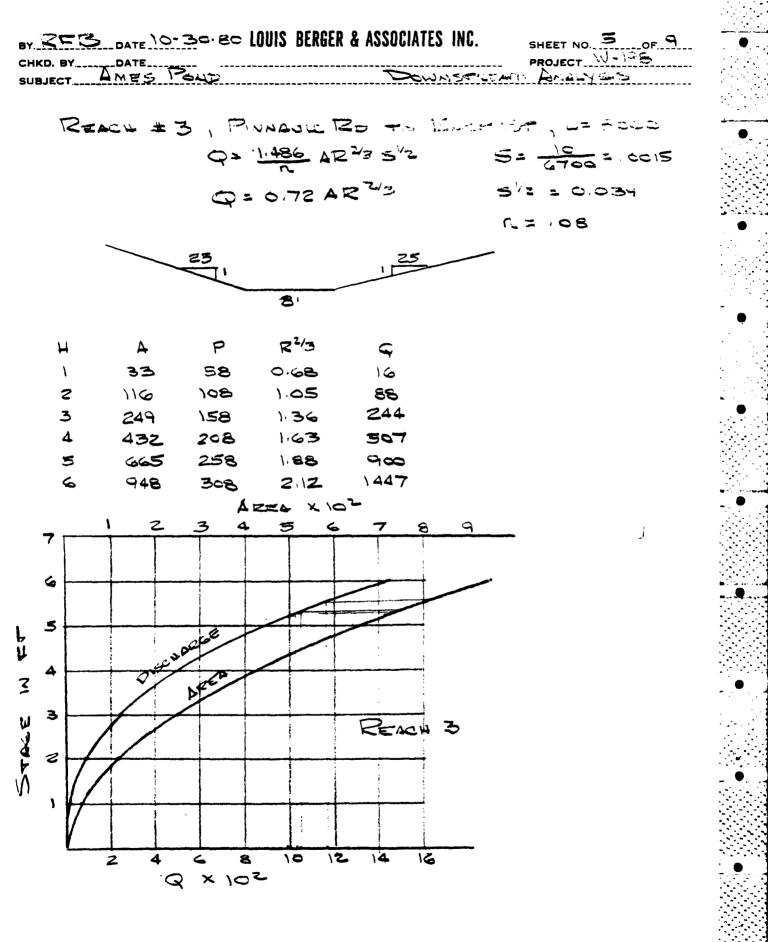


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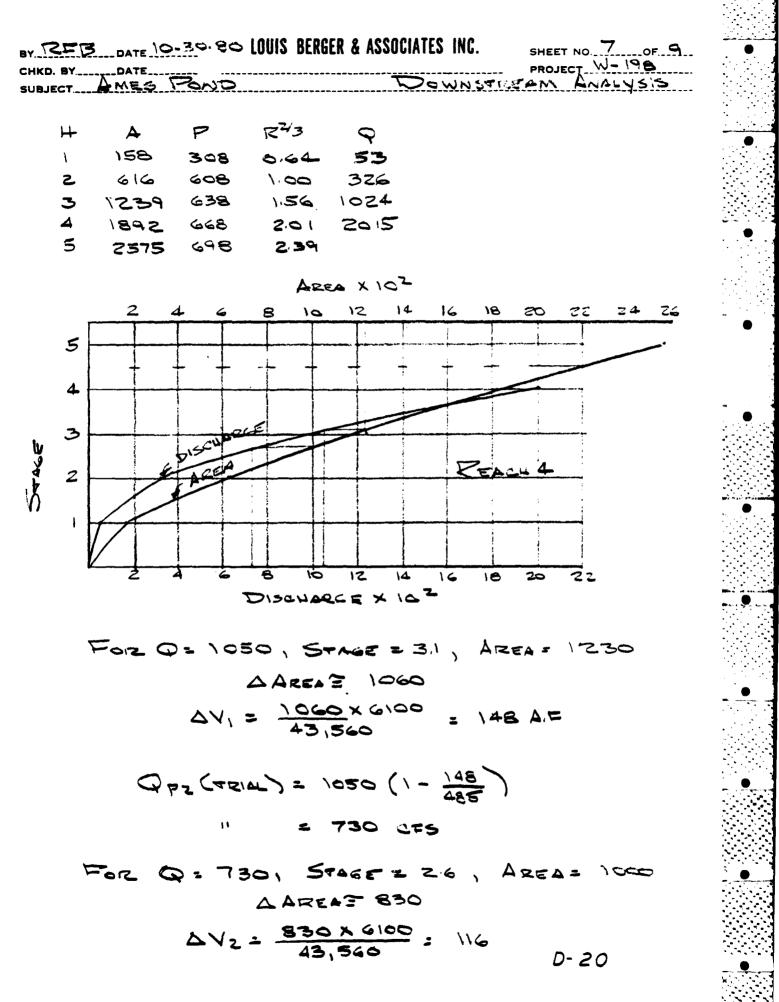
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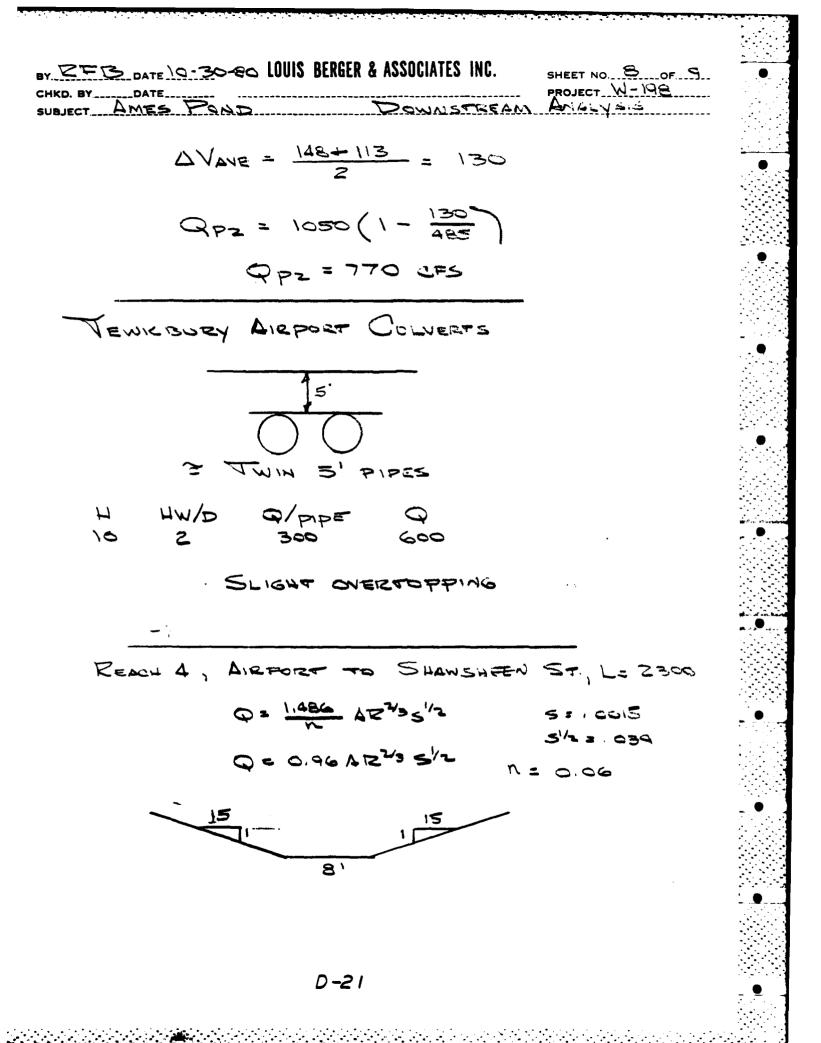
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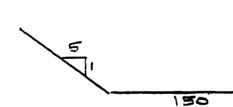
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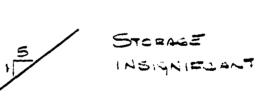
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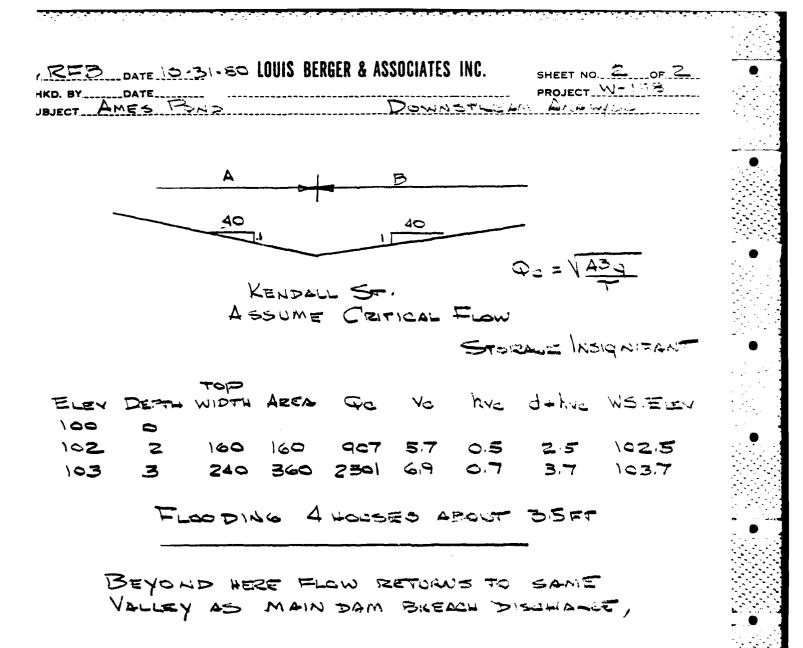
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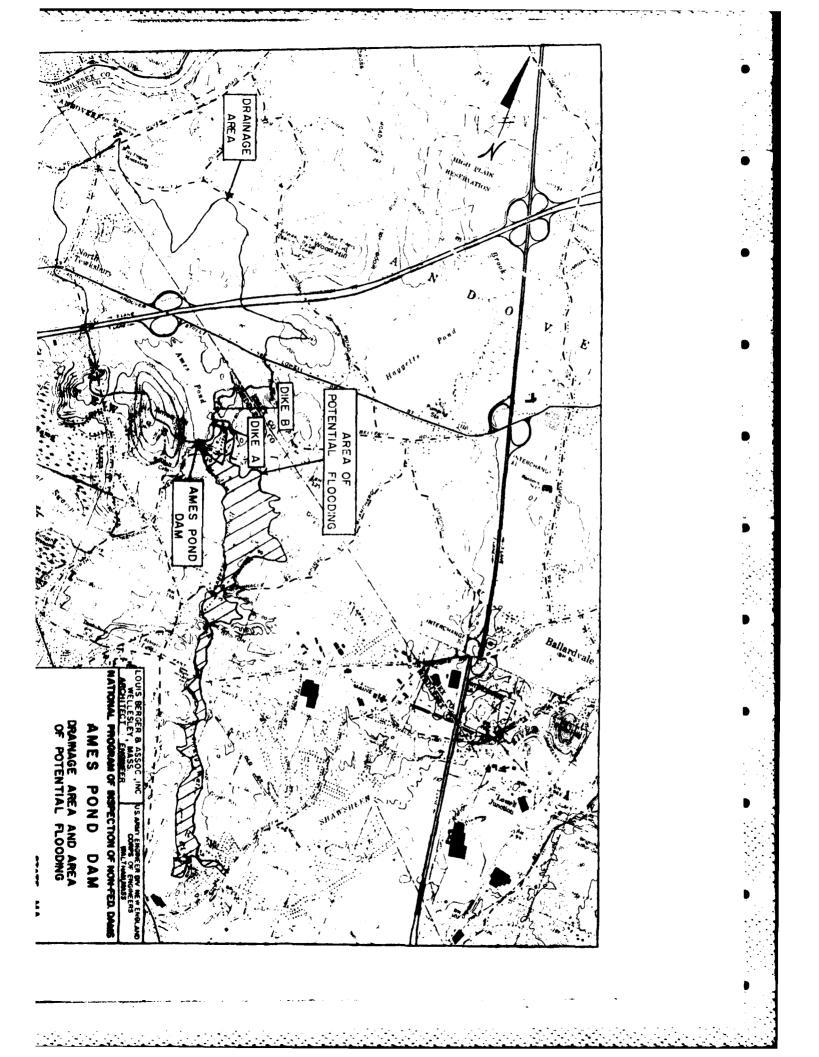
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Appendix E

Information as Contained in the

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This Phase I Inspection Report on Ames Pond Dam and Dike has been reviewed by the undersigned Review Board members. In our opinion, the reported findings, conclusions, and recommendations are consistent with the <u>Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of</u> <u>Dams</u>, and with good engineering judgement and practice, and is hereby submitted for approval.

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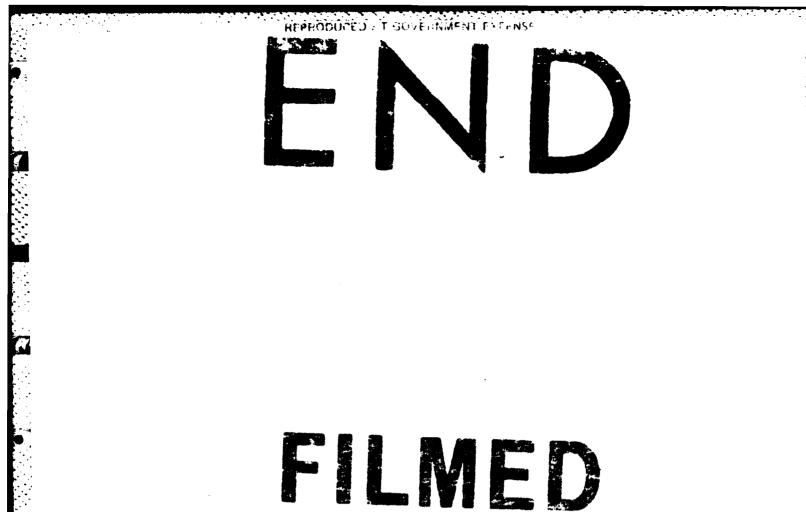
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