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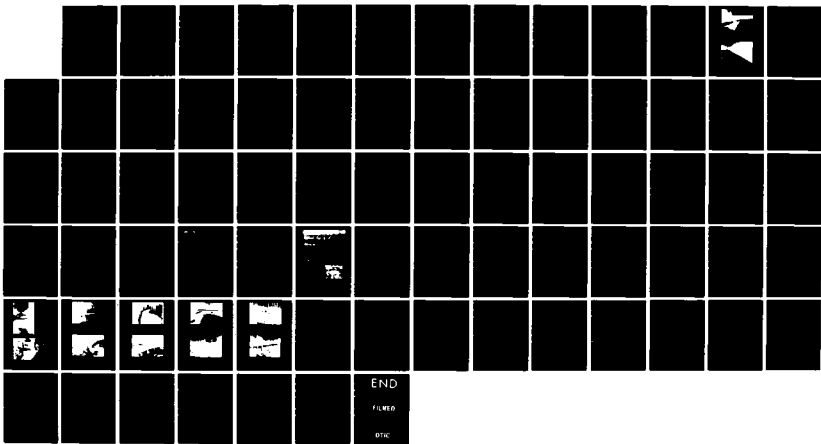
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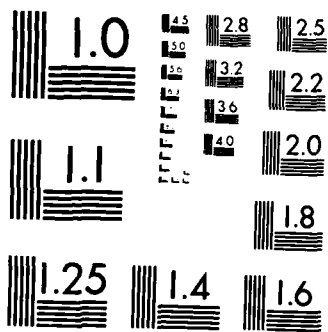
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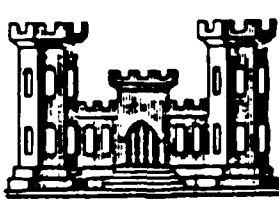
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Stream:	Fox Brook
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BRIEF ASSESSMENT

Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is a 71-year old earth embankment dam which impounds water for fire protection and provides a back-up supply of water for Shelburne Falls distribution system. The dam is approximately 490 feet long and has a maximum height of about 28 feet. The upstream and downstream slopes of the embankment are each 2H:1V, except for a short reach of the downstream slope near the southern abutment which is on a slope of approximately 1.5H:1V. The crest of the dam is 15 feet wide for the northern 300 feet of the dam; the remaining portion tapers from 15 feet to a width of 8 feet at the southern abutment. A 27.5-foot wide concrete spillway is located at the northern dam abutment and a small gatehouse is located at the downstream toe, near the center of the dam.

The dam appears to be in fair overall condition. The downstream slope is irregular, but it appears to have been constructed that way. The most significant deficiency was noted in the vicinity of the low level outlet, where approximately 2 gpm of clear seepage was observed.

The dam has a maximum storage capacity of 47 acre-feet and a maximum height of 28 feet. The height of the dam falls within the 25 to 40 feet range established by the Army Corps of Engineers for "Small" size dams; consequently, Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is classified as a "Small" Dam. A breach of the dam with the reservoir surface at the top of the dam would cause property damage with possible loss of a few lives at the downstream damage area. Therefore, the dam is classified in the "Significant" hazard potential category. The recommended test flood for a "Small" size, "Significant" hazard dam is from the 100-year flood to one-half of the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Because of the relatively low height and storage capacity of the reservoir, the 100-year flood was chosen as the test flood.

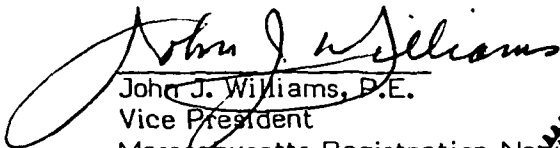
The peak test flood inflow to the Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir was computed to be about 520 cfs. The corresponding test flood outflow of about 520 cfs passes over the spillway and overtops the dam by approximately 0.1 feet. With the flashboards in place, the spillway has a discharge capacity with the water in the reservoir at the crest of the dam of approximately 460 cfs, or 88 percent of the routed test flood. Assuming the flashboards are removed or fail prior to overtopping of the dam, the spillway is capable of passing approximately 1,170 cfs, or over twice the peak outflow anticipated to occur during the test flood.

Within one year after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report, the Owner, the

Shelburne Falls Fire District, should retain the services of a qualified, registered professional engineer experienced in the design and construction of dams to: 1) investigate the source and nature of the seepage observed in the vicinity of the low-level outlet pipes and recommended appropriate corrective measures, and 2) provide an upstream means of operating the low level outlets so that the outlet pipes are not continuously under hydrostatic pressure.

The Owner should also implement the following operation and maintenance measures; 1) fill the small animal holes at the downstream toe of the dam with suitable compacted material; 2) repair the spalling of the concrete on the buttresses of the spillway headwall; 3) remove and brush from the north side abutment area; 4) install riprap at the outlets of two 8-inch diameter pipes; 5) remove the top 6-inch high flashboard so that the spillway will pass the test flood without overtopping of the dam; 6) develop a formal downstream warning plan; and 7) institute a program of annual technical inspection.

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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.

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

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UPSTREAM OVERVIEW OF THE DAM FROM THE SOUTH ABUTMENT. (12/3/80)



DOWNSTREAM OVERVIEW OF THE DAM FROM THE NORTH SIDE OF THE SPILLWAY. (12/3/80)

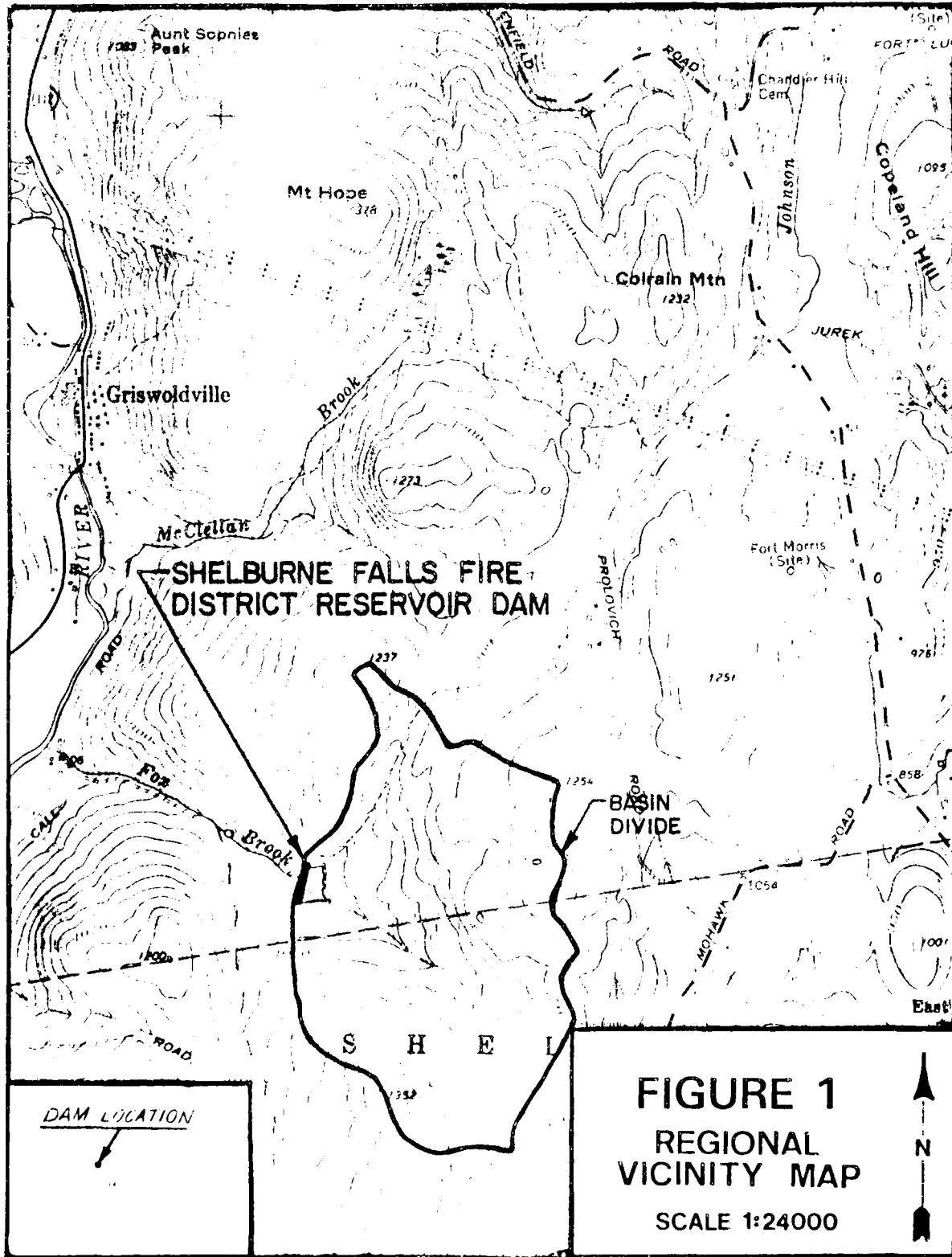


FIGURE 1
REGIONAL
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6. Develop a formal downstream flood warning plan.

7. Institute a program of annual technical inspection.

7.4 Alternatives

No valid alternatives to the recommendations and remedial measures described above are considered feasible for this site.

SECTION 7

ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 Dam Assessment

a. Condition. Based upon the visual inspection, the dam appears to be in fair condition. The source of the clear seepage (2 gpm) is the vicinity of the outlet of the two 8-inch diameter low level outlet pipes should be investigated. The inoperable valve on the 10-inch diameter pipe in the center of the spillway headwall does not affect the safety of the dam since the two 8-inch diameter low level outlets are used for drawing down the reservoir. The minor spalling of the concrete on the buttresses of the spillway headwall should be repaired. The small animal holes at the downstream toe of the dam should be filled.

b. Adequacy of Information. Sufficient information was obtained during the investigation and from the Shelburne Falls Fire District personnel to conduct a Phase I dam evaluation.

c. Urgency. The recommendations and remedial measures described in this Section should be implemented within one year of receipt of this Phase I inspection report.

7.2 Recommendations

The Owner, the Shelburne Falls Fire District should retain the services of a qualified, registered professional engineer, experienced in the design and construction of dams to:

1. Investigate the source and nature of the seepage observed at the outlet of the low level outlet pipes and recommend appropriate corrective measures.
2. Provide an upstream means of operating the low level outlets so that the outlet pipes are not continuously under hydrostatic pressure.

7.3 Remedial Measures

The following operation and maintenance measures should be implemented by the Owner:

1. Fill the small animal holes at the downstream toe of the dam with suitable compacted material.
2. Repair the minor spalling of the concrete on the buttresses of the spillway headwall.
3. Remove trees and brush from the north side abutment area.
4. Install riprap at the outlets of the two 8-inch diameter pipes.
5. Remove the top 6-inch high flashboard so that the spillway will pass the test flood without overtopping of the dam.

SECTION 6

STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Visual Observations

The dam appears to be in fair overall condition. The entire embankment has a well maintained grass cover. The closest trees to the downstream toe of the dam (photo no. 3, Appendix C) are 20 feet away from the toe of the embankment. Clear seepage (about 2 gpm) was noticed around the outlet of the two 8-inch diameter cast iron low level outlet pipes. The concrete spillway appears to be in good condition except for some minor spalling on the two, four foot high buttresses.

6.2 Design and Construction Data

According to Mr. Harold Wheeler, representative of the Owner, no structural stability design or construction information is available for the dam.

6.3 Post Construction Changes

Modifications to the original dam were made in 1929. Information relative to the rebuilding is presented in Appendix B.

6.4 Seismic Stability

The Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is located in Seismic Zone 2 on the "Seismic Zone Map of Contiguous States". Therefore according to the "Recommended Guidelines for Phase I Dam Investigations", the dam need not be evaluated for seismic stability.

5.5 Dam Failure Analysis

A failure of the embankment was simulated by the HEC-1-DB computer program assuming a 100 feet wide and a 25.8 feet deep breach with vertical side slopes developing within fifteen minutes. Failure is assumed to occur with the reservoir surface at the top of the dam. This was compared with discharge through the spillway with the reservoir surface at the top of the dam with no failure. The resulting outflow was routed to a house trailer at the damage center approximately 3,500 feet downstream of the dam. The channel cross-section at this location is shown on page D-6.

The stream depths at the damage center were computed to be 4.8 feet and 2.3 feet for the breach and non-breach conditions, respectively. The discharge for the breach condition is about 3,420 cfs compared to about 510 cfs. for the non-breach condition. Approximately 2.8 feet of water would be expected in the house trailer if the dam were to breach. Even for the non-breach condition, 0.3 feet of water would be expected in the house trailer. A flood of this magnitude would cause appreciable property damage, with possible loss of a few lives. Therefore, the hazard classification for Shelburne Falls Reservoir Dam is "Significant".

SECTION 5

EVALUATION OF HYDRAULIC/HYDROLOGIC FEATURES

5.1 General

The drainage area for Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is 0.6 square miles. The drainage area is mountainous, forested and undeveloped. The mountainous topography ranges from Elev. 1,320 to Elev. 847 at the normal pool elevation of the reservoir.

5.2 Design Data

According to the Owner's representative, hydraulic and hydrologic data used in the design of the structure are not available.

5.3 Experience Data

According to the Owner's representative, no rainfall or reservoir level records are maintained for the structure.

5.4 Test Flood Analysis

The recommended test flood for a "Small" size, "Significant" hazard dam is from the 100-year flood to one-half of the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Because of the relatively low storage capacity, the selected test flood is the 100-year flood.

Hydraulic and hydrologic calculations were performed with the assistance of the HEC-1-DB computer program. Flood hydrographs were developed from Snyder unit hydrographs using average coefficients, an initial infiltration value of zero and a constant loss rate of 0.05 inches per hour. The test flood runoff was reduced according to the "Hop Brook" reduction factor¹, a hypothetical value which takes into account the size of drainage area and the probability of the storm area coinciding with the drainage area. The routing analysis consisted of constructing the inflow hydrograph for the test flood and routing it over the dam. Stage vs. discharge and stage vs. storage relationships were developed to obtain the outflow hydrograph. The reservoir pool was assumed to be at the crest of the flashboards at the beginning of the test flood storm event.

The peak test flood inflow to the Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam was computed to be about 520 cfs (870 CSM). The peak test flood outflow is also 520 cfs, which corresponds to a reservoir stage of approximately 2.9 feet above the top of the flashboards or about 0.1 feet above the top of the dam. The spillway (with the flashboards in place) is capable of discharging about 460 cfs or approximately 88 percent of the routed test flood outflow prior to overtopping of the dam. Under similar conditions, except with the flashboards removed, the spillway will pass approximately 1,170 cfs prior to overtopping of the dam.

¹Corps of Engineers, Engineering Circular No. 1110-2-27, Aug. '66

SECTION 4

OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE PROCEDURES

4.1 Operation Procedures

a. General. The normal operational procedure consists of opening the 8-inch diameter gates of the low level outlet pipes to provide additional water during periods of low flow for the Shelburne Falls Fire District water supply system. The site is visited daily to ensure proper operation.

b. Description of Any Warning System in Effect. According to Mr. Harold Wheeler, the Owner's representative, no formal warning system is in effect.

4.2 Maintenance Procedures

a. General. The Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is maintained by the personnel of the Fire District's water supply system under the direction of Mr. Harold Wheeler. The personnel clear debris from the spillway, cut the grass on the embankment and perform other maintenance tasks as needed.

b. Operating Facilities. The two 8-inch diameter valves on the low level outlet system are opened at least twice a year to provide additional water to the water supply system during period of low flow. The 10-inch diameter valve on the 10-inch diameter pipe which passes through the spillway headwall has not been operated in many years.

4.3 Evaluation.

The dam appears to be well maintained. The inoperable 10-inch diameter valve on the pipe which passes through the spillway headwall is not of significance since the two 8-inch diameter low level outlet system pipes are available for reservoir drawdown and for providing additional water, when necessary, to the Shelburne Falls Fire District water supply system. A formal downstream warning plan should be developed.

3.2 Evaluation.

Based upon visual inspection, the dam appears to be in fair condition. The source of the seepage in the vicinity of the outlet of the two 8-inch diameter pipes should be investigated. The inoperable valve on the 10-inch diameter pipe in the center of the spillway headwall does not affect the safety of the dam since the two 8-inch diameter pipes of the low level outlet system are used for drawdown of the reservoir. The minor spalling of the concrete on the buttresses of the spillway headwall should be repaired. The small animal holes at the downstream toe of the dam should be filled and compacted with suitable material.

SECTION 3
VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Findings

a. General. The Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam was inspected on December 3, 1980. At the time of inspection, the reservoir surface was less than one inch above the top of the flashboards. Underwater areas were not inspected.

The observations and comments of the field inspection team are in the check list which is Appendix A of this report.

b. Dam. The dam appears to be in fair condition. The entire embankment has a well maintained grass cover.

A few small holes a few inches in diameter in the downstream toe of the dam appear to have been dug by burrowing animals. Clear seepage (about 2 gpm) was noticed in the vicinity of the outlet of the two 8-inch diameter cast iron low level outlet pipes. Clear water (about 1 gpm) was observed flowing out of the 4-inch diameter toe drain pipe. The valve operators for the two 8-inch diameter low level outlet pipes are in a wooden gatehouse near the downstream toe of the dam. The stone masonry wall downstream of the gatehouse, from which the low level outlet pipes protrude, appears to be in good condition. (See Photo 4, Appendix C).

c. Appurtenant Structures. The concrete spillway appears to be in good condition except for some minor spalling on the two four-foot high buttresses. Two-foot high wooden flashboards were observed on the spillway crest. The valve on the 10-inch diameter pipe extending through the spillway headwall was not visible, but according to the Owner's representative, this valve has not been operated in many years.

The valves on the two 8-inch diameter low level outlet pipes were operated by Shelburne Falls Fire District personnel during the inspection. These valves, however, should not be located at the downstream end of the outlet pipes, since such a condition will keep the pipe upstream of the valve constantly under pressure. See recommendations in Section 7.

d. Reservoir Area. The slope of the terrain along the perimeter of the reservoir averages about 20 percent. The slopes are well protected by dense vegetation with no signs of erosion.

e. Downstream Channel. The spillway outlet channel is a chute that narrows from 27.5 feet to an approximate width of 6 feet less than 20 feet downstream of the spillway. A few stones and token debris were observed in the channel. Fox Brook flows in a stone masonry channel to a circular holding reservoir approximately 1,100 feet downstream of the dam. Water in the holding reservoir is used to supply the Shelburne Falls Fire District water supply system. Excess water from the holding reservoir is discharged back into Fox Brook. Fox Brook continues downstream to the hazard area (3,500 feet from the dam) before flowing under the Call Road bridge and then discharging into North River, about 3,800 feet downstream from the dam.

SECTION 2
ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 Design

Design information for the original construction of the dam (circa 1910) is not available. Drawings and specifications for the 1929 reconstruction of the dam were provided by the Owner and are included in Appendix B.

2.2 Construction

According to the Owner's representative, no record of the original construction is available. Information relative to the 1929 improvements is shown in Appendix B.

2.3 Operation

According to the Owner's representative, the two 8-inch diameter low level outlet cast iron pipes are used to draw the reservoir down periodically as well as providing additional discharge to Fox Brook, as required. The 10-inch diameter cast iron pipe which passes through the spillway headwall may have been used in the past for maintaining a base flow in Fox Brook; however, the valve located on the upstream side of the spillway headwall is no longer operable according to the Owner's representative. During the winter months, the top flashboard (six-inches) is removed.

2.4 Evaluation

a. Availability. Information was obtained from the Shelburne Falls Fire District, which has been included in Appendix B.

b. Adequacy. Sufficient information was obtained during the investigation and from the Shelburne Falls Fire District personnel to conduct a Phase I dam evaluation.

c. Validity. Information obtained from the Shelburne Falls Fire District generally agrees with the data acquired during the field investigation.

g. Dam Data.

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|---|--|
| 1. Type | Earth Embankment |
| 2. Length | ±490 feet |
| 3. Top Width | 15 feet wide for the northern
300 feet of the dam tapering to 8 feet
wide at the southern abutment |
| 4. Height | 28 feet |
| 5. Side Slopes (Upstream)
(Downstream) | 2H:1V
2H:1V to 1.5H:1V at south abutment |
| 6. Zoning | Unknown |
| 7. Impervious Core | Puddled Core |
| 8. Cutoff | Collars at Outlets |
| 9. Grout Curtain | None |

h. Diversion and Regulating Tunnel. Not applicable

i. Spillway.

- | | |
|---|---|
| 1. Type | Broad-crested |
| 2. Length of Weir | 27.5 feet |
| 3. Crest Elevation (Flashboards in Place) | 847.0 |
| 4. Crest Elevation (Flashboards Not in Place) | 844.8 |
| 5. Gates | NA |
| 6. Upstream Channel | Impoundment |
| 7. Downstream Channel | Rectangular shape, concrete bottom, with
stone masonry walls; depth varies from
5 feet to 8 feet; width varies from 6 feet to 8 feet. |

j. Regulating Outlets.

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|--|-----------------------|
| 1. Two 8-inch Diameter Pipes (See Photo 4, Appendix C) | |
| a.) Invert Elevation | ± 822.0 |
| b.) Size | 8-inch Diameter |
| c.) Description | Cast Iron Pipes |
| d.) Control Mechanism | Gate valves |
| 2. Spillway Outlet Pipe (See Photo 2, Appendix C) | |
| a.) Invert Elevation | 842.0 |
| b.) Size | 10-inch Diameter |
| c.) Description | Cast Iron Pipe |
| d.) Control Mechanism | Inoperable Gate Valve |

7. Total Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation. See Section 1.3 b (4).

8. Total Project Discharge at Top of Dam. With flashboards in place and the 8-inch diameter valves open, the total project discharge at the top of dam is about 480 cfs. Assuming the flashboards are removed or fail, the total project discharge at top of dam is about 1,190 cfs.

9. Total Project Discharge at Test Flood Elevation. Assuming a test flood elevation of 849.9, the combined discharge capacity of the spillway, flow over the dam, and flow through the low level outlets is approximately 550 cfs with the flashboards in place and 1,270 cfs without the flashboards.

c. Elevation. (NGVD)

1. Streambed at toe of Dam	±821.8
2. Bottom of Cutoff	Variable
3. Maximum Tailwater	Unknown
4. Normal Pool (Flashboards in Place)	847.0
5. Full Flood Control Pool	NA
6. Spillway Crest (Flashboards Removed)	844.8
7. Spillway Crest (Flashboards in Place)	847.0
8. Design Surcharge (Original Design)	Unknown
9. Top of dam	849.8
10. Test Flood Design Surcharge	849.9

d. Reservoir Length. (Feet)

1. Normal Pool	400
2. Flood Control Pool	NA
3. Spillway Crest Pool (Flashboards Removed)	380
4. Spillway Crest Pool (Flashboards in Place)	400
5. Top of Dam	450
6. Test Flood Pool	455

e. Storage. (Acre-Feet)

1. Normal Pool	34
2. Flood Control Pool	NA
3. Spillway Crest Pool (Flashboards Removed)	29
4. Spillway Crest Pool (Flashboards in Place)	34
5. Top of Dam	47
6. Test Flood Pool	48

f. Reservoir Surface. (Acres)

1. Normal Pool	4.0
2. Flood Control Pool	NA
3. Spillway Crest (Without Flashboards)	3.7
4. Spillway Crest (Top of Flashboards)	4.0
5. Top of Dam	5.5
6. Test Flood Pool	5.6

e. Ownership. The dam is owned by the Shelburne Falls Fire District. The Owner's representative is Mr. Harold Wheeler, Water Commissioner. He may be contacted at his office on 9 Williams Street, Shelburne Falls, MA 01370. Telephone (413) 625-6392.

f. Operator. The dam is operated by Water Commission personnel under the direction of Mr. Harold Wheeler.

g. Purpose of the Dam. The dam is used as a reservoir for water supply and fire protection in the Shelburne Falls Fire District.

h. Design and Construction History. The design and construction history of the original dam, built about 1910, is unknown. The dam was reconstructed in 1929 when it was raised, lengthened and widened. Drawings and specifications for the 1929 reconstruction are included in Appendix B.

i. Normal Operating Procedures. Depending upon the weather conditions, additional discharge is available through the two 8-inch diameter cast iron pipes (outlet inverts Elev. ⁺822) which function as low level outlets. The discharge from the low level outlets, along with the spillway discharge, is conveyed via Fox Brook, to the lower reservoir. In general, the reservoir water surface is kept within a few inches of the crest of the flashboards, Elev. 847. The low level outlets are operated at least twice a year.

1.3 Pertinent Data

a. Drainage Area. The drainage area for the Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir is 0.6 square mile. The entire area is undeveloped and primarily forested. The topography is mountainous, ranging from El. 1, 320 to 847 at normal pool elevation.

b. Discharge at Damsite.

1. Outlet Works. The low level outlets of the reservoir consists of two 8-inch diameter cast iron pipes controlled by two 8-inch diameter valves. These pipes, with outlet inverts at El. ⁺ 822, are used to draw the reservoir down and to provide additional water during periods of low flow for the Shelburne Falls Fire District water supply system. With the water surface at the top of the dam, their combined discharge capacity is approximately 17 cfs.

2. Maximum Known Flood. Unknown.

3. Ungated Spillway Capacity at Top of Dam. The ungated spillway capacity at the top of dam El. 849.8, assuming the flashboards are in place, is about 460 cfs. Assuming that the flashboards are removed or fail prior to overtopping, the spillway capacity at top of dam El. 849.8 is approximately 1,170.

4. Ungated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation. The ungated spillway capacity at test flood Elevation 849.9 is about 490 cfs with the flashboards in place and about 1,210 cfs without the flashboards.

5. Gated Spillway Capacity at Normal Pool Elevation. Not Applicable.

6. Gated Spillway Capacity at Test Flood Elevation. Not Applicable.

2H:1V with riprap paving to within 2 feet of the top of the dam. For a distance of approximately 300 feet from the spillway at the northern end of the embankment, the crest is 15 feet wide and the slope of the downstream face of the embankment is 2H:1V. From this point, the crest narrows to 8 feet in width and the slope of the downstream face of the embankment steepens to approximately 1.5H:1V at the southern abutment.

The dam was originally constructed with a vertically puddled core (see Page B-2). The puddled core was extended on a slope parallel to the upstream face of the dam to the widened crest (see page B-2) when the dam was raised in 1929.

A wooden gatehouse is located at the downstream toe near the center of the dam (see page B-1). The building contains two 8-inch diameter gate valves located on two 8-inch diameter cast iron pipes that function as low level outlets. The two 8-inch diameter pipes outlet at the downstream toe of the dam through a stone wall to the discharge channel. A 4-inch diameter pipe which conveys discharge from the internal drainage system of the dam outlets into the discharge channel about 20 feet downstream of the wall.

The spillway is located at the north abutment of the dam and consists of a vertical concrete wall, 27.5 feet long supported by two 4-foot high concrete buttresses equally spaced at the downstream face of the spillway wall. Two-foot high wooden flashboards are located on the crest of the spillway. A 10-inch diameter cast iron pipe, with an invert about 3 feet below the crest of the spillway, passes through the spillway wall near the center of the spillway. A gate valve is mounted on the pipe on the reservoir side of the headwall. The gate valve is always under water and the Owner's representative reported that it has not been operated for many years.

Downstream of the spillway, the discharge channel has a concrete invert and 5-foot high vertical stone sidewalls. It varies in width as it winds southwesterly under a small wooden walkway and through a stand of pine trees (See Photo 5, Appendix C). The concrete invert ends about 20 feet downstream of the bridge, where the discharge channel is approximately 8 feet wide. The discharge channel then continues approximately parallel to the dam, until it joins the outlet channel of the low level outlet. The outlet channel extends perpendicular from the dam with an approximately 10-foot wide bottom and variable side slopes.

c. Size Classification. Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam has a maximum height of approximately 28 feet and a maximum storage capacity of 47 acre-feet. Its storage capacity would not qualify it for inclusion in the inspection program, since it does not fall within the 50 to 1,000 acre-feet range established by the Corps of Engineers for "Small" size dams. However, its height falls within the 25 to 40 feet range established by the Corps for "Small" size dams. Therefore, the Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is classified as a "Small" size dam.

d. Hazard Classification. The flood impact area is located about 3,500 feet downstream of the dam where a house trailer is located adjacent to Fox Brook. The breach analysis indicates that failure of the dam with the reservoir surface at the top of the dam would result in a depth flow of 2.8 feet above the door sill elevation of the house trailer. Appreciable property damage would result, with possible loss of a few lives. Therefore, Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is classified as a "Significant" hazard structure.

NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM

PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

SECTION I

PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General

a. Authority. The National Dam Inspection Act (Public Law 92-367) was passed by Congress on August 8, 1972. Under this Act, the Secretary of the Army was authorized to initiate, through the Corps of Engineers, the National Program for Inspection of Dams throughout the United States. Responsibility for supervising inspection of dams in the New England Region has been assigned to the New England Division of the Army Corps of Engineers.

O'Brien & Gere Engineers, Inc. has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected non-federal dams in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts. Authorization and Notice to Proceed were issued to O'Brien & Gere Engineers, Inc. by a letter dated November 12, 1980 and signed by Col. William E. Hodgson, Jr. Contract No. DACW33-81-C-0016 has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

b. Purpose. The purpose of inspecting and evaluating non-federal dams is to:

1. Identify conditions which threaten public safety and make the Owner aware of any deficiencies so that he may correct them in a timely manner.
2. Encourage and prepare the state to initiate an effective dam safety program for non-federal dams as soon as possible.
3. Update, verify and complete the National Inventory of Dams.

1.2 Description of Project (Information for this dam was obtained from the Shelburne Falls Fire District office.)

a. Location. Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is located on Fox Brook in the Town of Colrain, Massachusetts. A portion of the USGS Quadrangle map entitled "Colrain, Mass-VT." has been included as Figure 1 on page vi of this report to illustrate the location. USGS reference coordinates for this dam are N42°38.3' and W72°42.2'.

Water from the reservoir flows in Fox Brook to a circular holding reservoir approximately 1,100 feet downstream of the dam. At this point a portion of the discharge is piped into the Shelburne Falls Fire District water supply system and the remainder continues to flow in Fox Brook to the confluence with North River approximately 3,800 feet downstream of the dam. The hazard area consists of two house trailers approximately 3,500 feet downstream of the dam.

b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances. Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam is an earth embankment approximately 490 feet long with a maximum height of 28 feet. The upstream face of the embankment is on a slope of

APPENDIX A
CHECKLIST
VISUAL INSPECTION

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECK LIST

INSPECTION TEAM ORGANIZATION

Project: Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam
National I.D.#: MA 00462
Location: Colrain, Massachusetts
Type of Dam: Earth Fill
Inspection Date(s): December 3, 1980
Weather: Cloudy, Cold 30°F
Pool Elevation: ± 847 NGVD

Inspection Team

Lee DeHeer	O'Brien & Gere	Managing Engineer
Leonard Beck	O'Brien & Gere	Structures
Steven Snider	O'Brien & Gere	Foundations & Materials
Alan Hanscom	O'Brien & Gere	Structures
Denis Mehu	Bryant Associates, Inc.	Hydrology/Hydraulics

Owner's Representative

Mr. Harold Wheeler of the Water Commission for

Shelburne Falls, MA

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Project: Shelburne Falls Fire District Reservoir Dam

National I.D. #: MA 00462

Date : December 3, 1980

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<u>DAM EMBANKMENT</u>	
Crest Elevation	± 849.8
Current Pool Elevation	847.0
Maximum Impoundment to Date	Unknown
Surface Cracks	None
Pavement Condition	N.A.
Movement or Settlement of Crest	None observed.
Lateral Movement	None observed.
Vertical Alignment	None observed.
Horizontal Alignment	No misalignment observed.
Condition at Abutment and at Concrete Structures	Satisfactory, no erosion observed.
Indications of Movements of Structural Items on Slopes	None observed.
Trespassing on Slopes	No sign of trespassing on slopes.
Vegetation on Slopes	The slopes are well maintained. Grass is cut.
Sloughing or Erosion of Slopes or Abutments	None observed.
Rock Slope Protection - Riprap Failures	Along the entire length of the upstream face of the embankment. No riprap problems noted.

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AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<p><u>DAM EMBANKMENT (Con't)</u></p> <p>Unusual Movement or Cracking at or near Toes</p> <p>Unusual Embankment or Downstream Seepage</p> <p>Piping or Boils</p> <p>Foundation Drainage Features</p> <p>Toe Drains</p> <p>Instrumentation System</p>	<p>None observed.</p> <p>Seepage (2gpm) noted at outlet of 2,8-inch diameter reservoir drains.</p> <p>None observed.</p> <p>Clear discharge (1gpm) from 4-inch diameter pipe which is outlet for internal drainage system. Pipe outlets into discharge channel for the reservoir drain system about 20 feet downstream of the dam.</p> <p>None on site.</p>

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Date : December 3, 1980

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS</u></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>No approach channel. Discharge comes directly from the reservoir</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>Good.</p> <p>None observed.</p> <p>Minor spalling on the faces of the buttresses.</p> <p>No</p> <p>No</p> <p>None</p>
<p>c. Discharge Channel</p> <p> General Condition</p>	<p>Good, clear of debris.</p>

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AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WIER, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS (Con't)</u></p> <p>Loose Rock Overhanging Channel</p> <p>Trees Overhanging Channel</p> <p>Floor Channel</p> <p>Other observations</p>	<p>None</p> <p>Few branches</p> <p>Concrete clear of debris.</p> <p>Concrete channel with stone masonry walls narrows as it progresses downstream.</p>

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AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - INTAKE CHANNEL AND INTAKE STRUCTURE</u></p> <p>a. Approach Channel</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Slope Conditions</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Bottom Conditions</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Rock Slides or Falls</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Log Boom</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Debris</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Condition of Concrete Lining</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Drains or Weep Holes</p> <p>b. Intake Structure</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Condition of Concrete</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Stop Logs and Slots</p>	<p>Approach channel & intake structure for the outlet works (reservoir drain system) are located at the bottom of the reservoir and could not be observed during the inspection.</p>

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Date(s): December 3, 1980

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - TRANSITION AND CONDUIT</u></p> <p>General Condition of Concrete</p> <p>Rust or Staining on Concrete</p> <p>Spalling</p> <p>Erosion or Cavitation</p> <p>Cracking</p> <p>Alignment of Monoliths</p> <p>Alignment of Joints</p> <p>Numbering of Monoliths</p>	<p>The outlet works (reservoir drain system) conduit consists of 2, 8-inch diameter cast iron pipes which can be observed only at their discharge end at the downstream toe of the dam. The pipes appear to be in satisfactory condition where they can be observed.</p> <p style="text-align: right;">A-7</p>

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Date : December 3, 1980

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITIONS
<u>OUTLET WORKS - OUTLET STRUCTURE AND OUTLET CHANNEL</u>	
General Condition of Concrete	N/A
Rusting or Staining	Rust colored staining noted on stone masonry of headwall, stones and vegetation at outlet of reservoir drain.
Spalling	N/A
Erosion of Cavitation	None observed.
Visible Reinforcing	N/A
Any Seepage or Efflorescence	About 2gpm observed at outlet of reservoir drain pipes.
Condition at Joints	N/A
Drain Holes	N/A
Channel	
Loose Rock or Trees Overhanging Channel	A few overhanging branches.
Condition of Discharge Channel	Satisfactory.

APPENDIX B
CHECKLIST
ENGINEERING DATA

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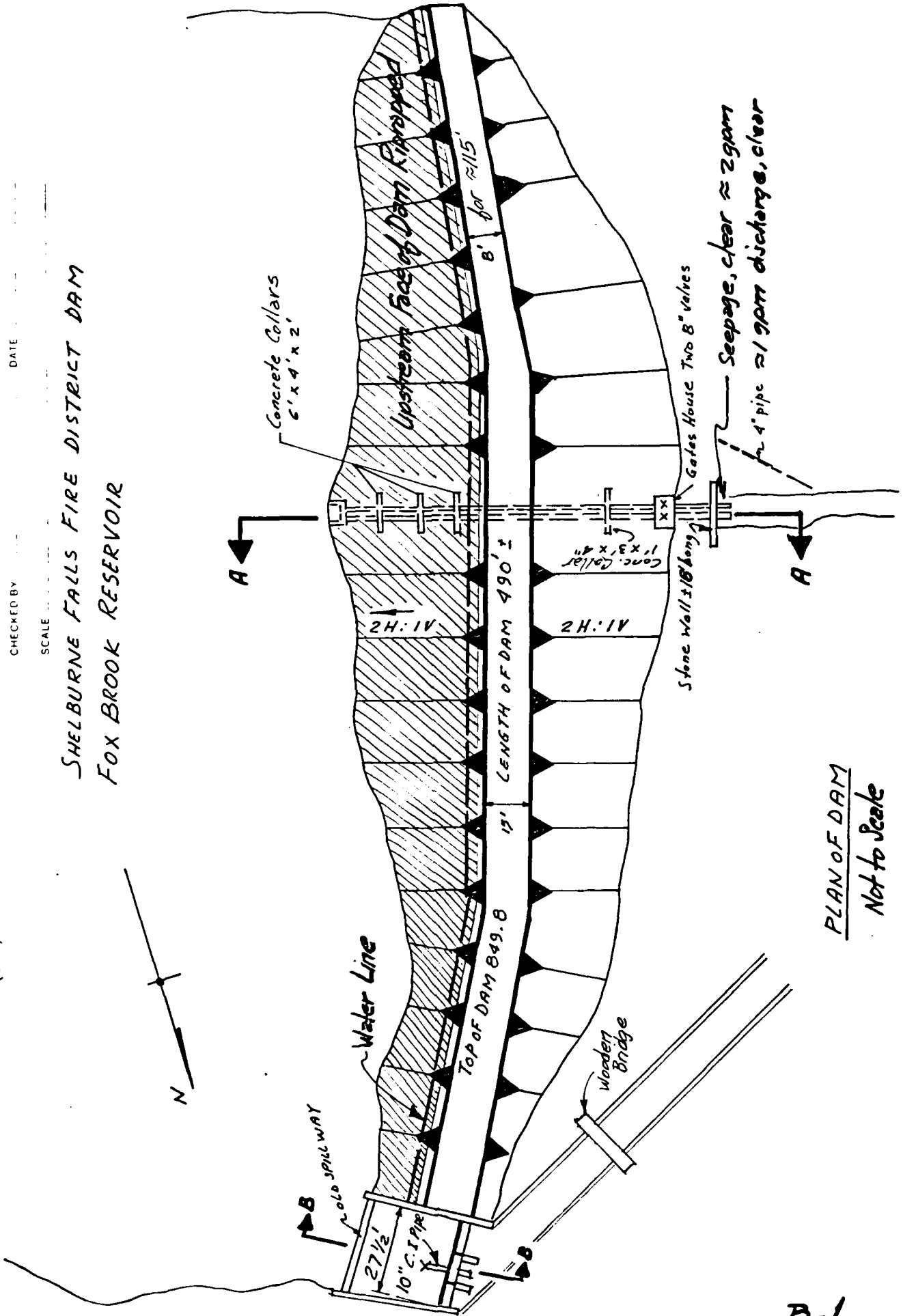
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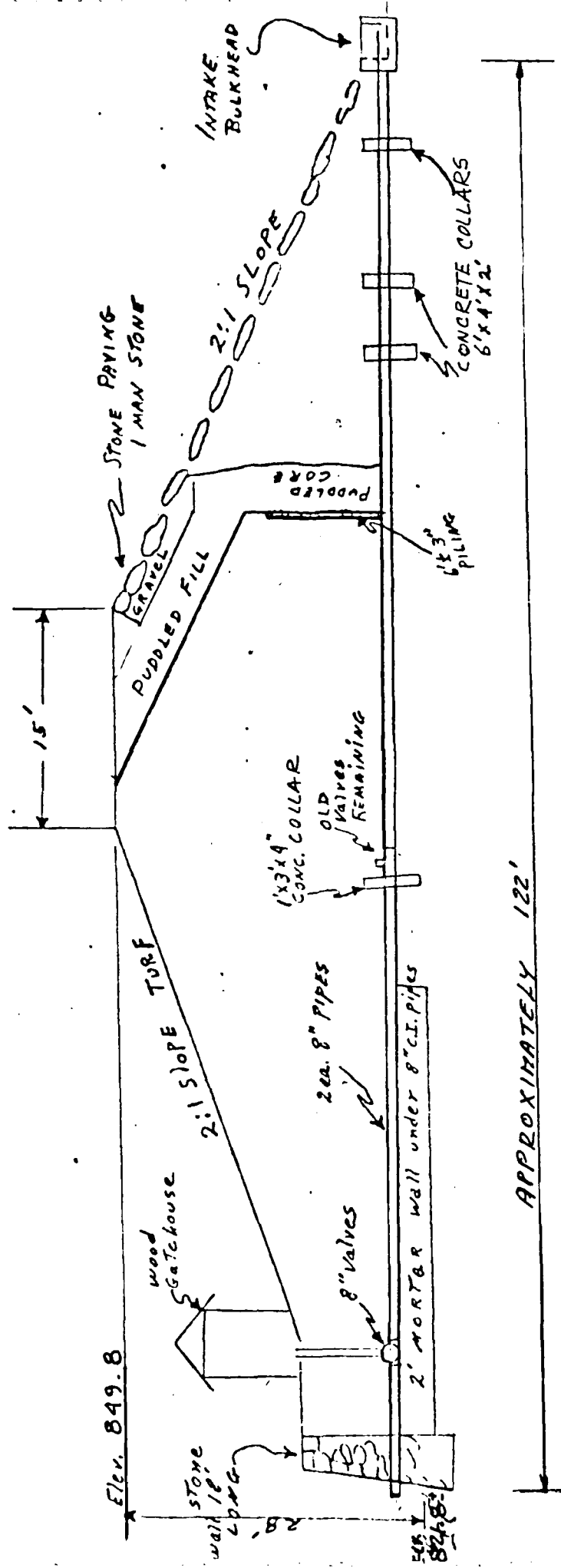
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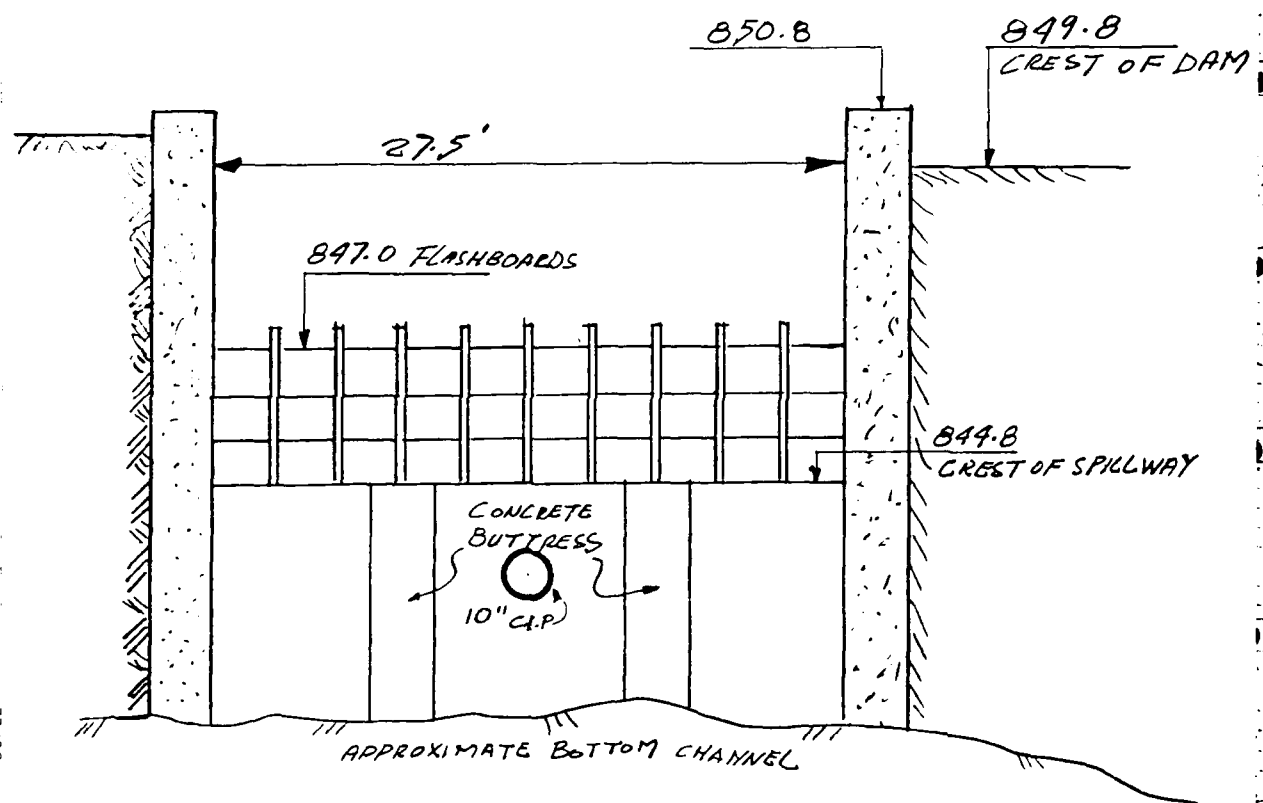
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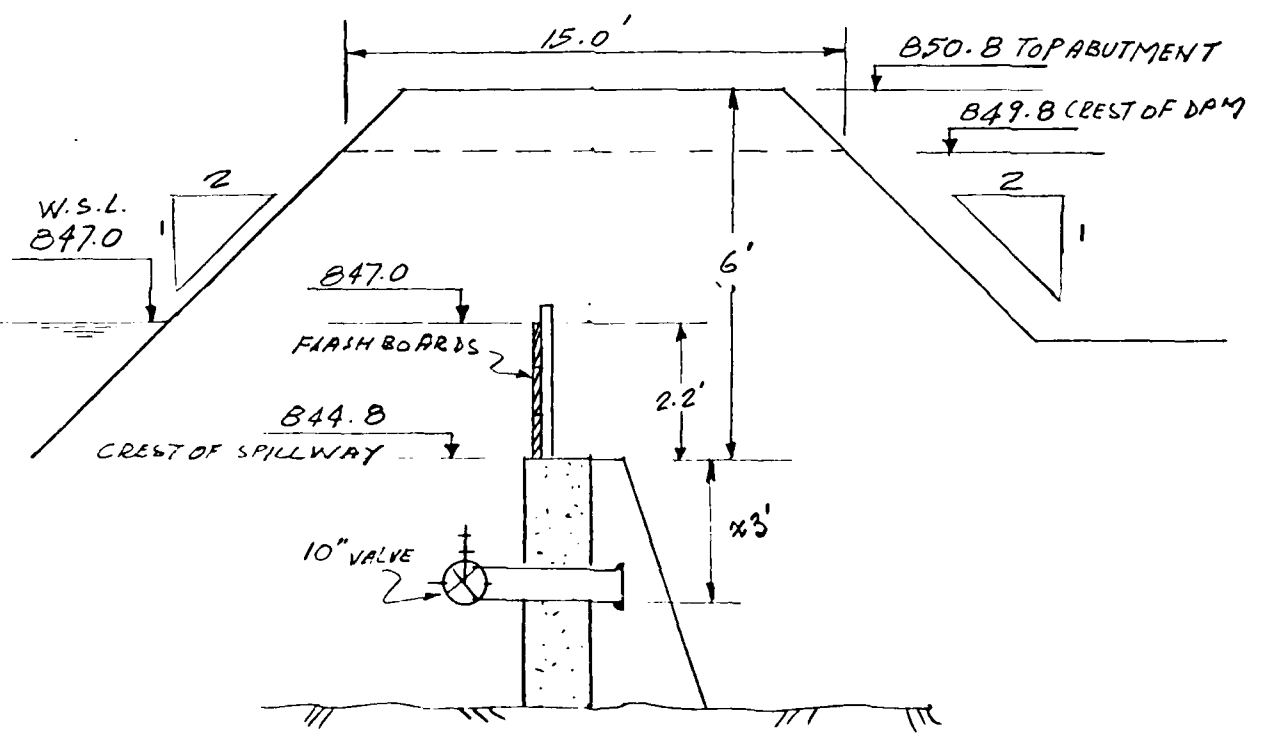
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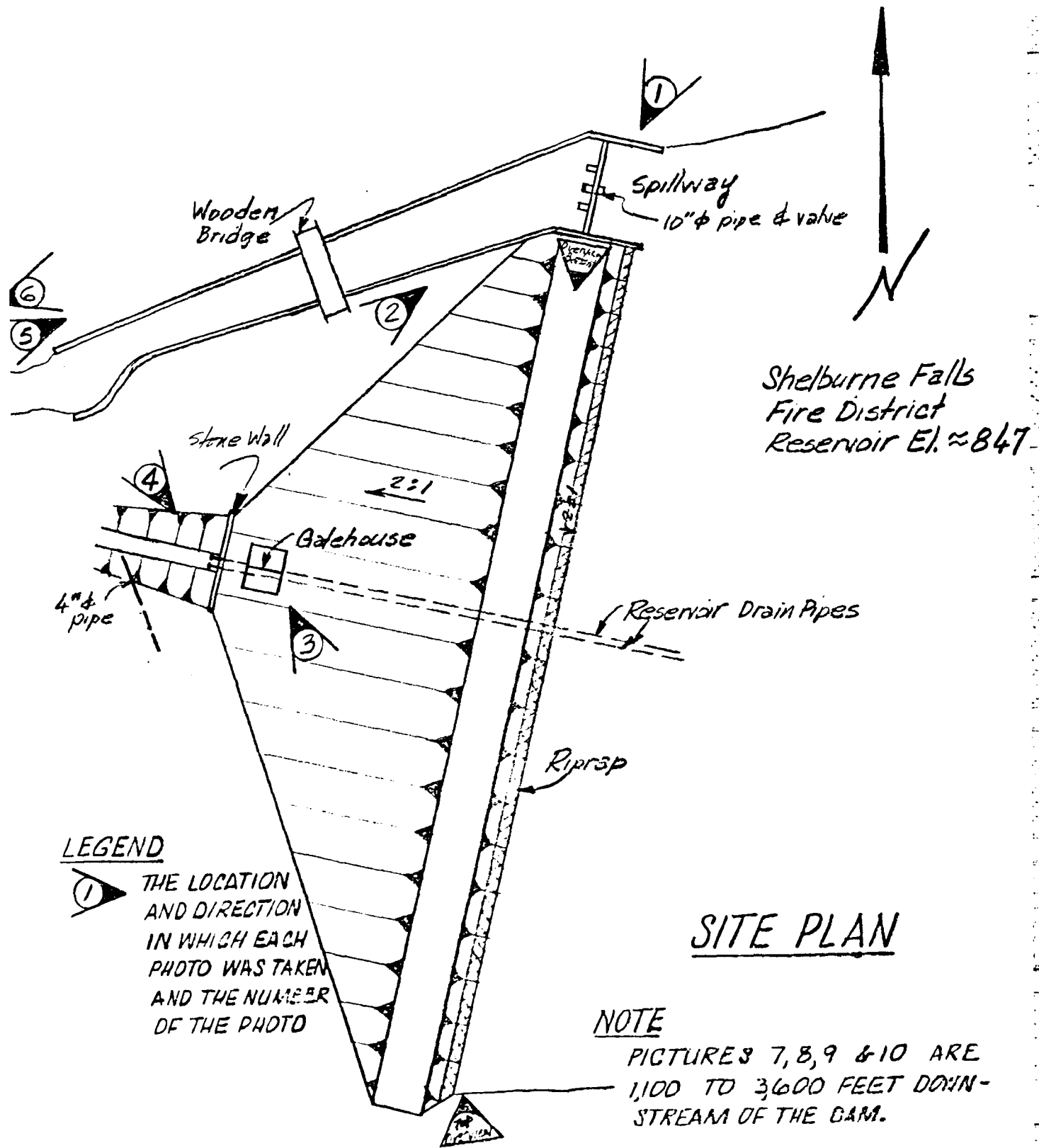
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Fire District
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① THE LOCATION AND DIRECTION IN WHICH EACH PHOTO WAS TAKEN AND THE NUMBER OF THE PHOTO

SITE PLAN

NOTE

PICTURES 7, 8, 9 & 10 ARE 1,100 TO 3,600 FEET DOWN-STREAM OF THE DAM.

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PHOTOGRAPHS

REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

DAM #2-6-66-2A

OCTOBER 18, 1976

The dam appears to receive satisfactory maintenance. The turfed embankment was well mowed and clear of any brush growth. The flash boards on the spillway level were still at summer season elevation but Mr. Wheeler stated the top board would be removed shortly for the winter, increasing the free board by 6 inches. Minor spalling of the north abutment of the spillway and minor spalling on the face of the crest and dropwall were noted. This spalling does not appear to be hazardous to safety of dam at present time. A cast iron pipe near base of spillway dropwall, approximately 10" in diameter, and a gate valve on upstream side of spillway were noted. The gate valve has not been operated for many years, per water department personnel, and it is questionable if it could be operated at present time. It would appear that the reservoir level is now controlled by the 2-8 inch pipes located near center of the dam, which would explain lack of usage and maintenance of 10" pipe in spillway drop wall.

The southerly of the twin 8 inch C.I. pipe has a flow of several G.P.M. issuing from outlet end. Per Mr. Wheeler, this flow is due to a faulty gate valve seal and is therefore not a hazard to dam itself. On last inspection of 11-6-74, it was noted that there was evidence of minor seepage at base of stone masonry end wall at outlet ends of the twin 8 inch pipes. At this present inspection three leaks, or flows of water were noted. These flows are each approximately 1 to 1½ inches in diameter where they come out of the ground at base of end wall. The ground in the area is extremely soft and a stick was noted a short distance downstream of one of these flows, but on day of inspection all three flows appeared clear. This condition was discussed with Mr. Wheeler during the inspection and he stated he would maintain a close check on these leaks for any change or increase in amount of flowage.

At the southerly end of dam a minor seepage condition was noted at toe of slope. This is mostly an area of damp ground with some evidence of standing water in ground depressions. The surrounding terrain contours are such that this seepage could be ground water from side slopes rather than seepage through the dam. Due to an error of location found in original sketches filed with inspection reports of 6-14-72, a revised sketch is enclosed with this report showing proper location of spillway. Areas of seepage and leaks are marked in red on this revised sketch as found on 10-18-76.

Dam appears to still be basically sound and safe but the leaks at base of end wall at outlet of 8" diameter C.I. pipes would appear to require an investigation as to source of origin and possible hazard to safety of dam.



The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

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

Shelburne Falls Fire District
9 Williams Street
Shelburne Falls, Ma.
ATTN: Mr Harold Wheeler

100 Nashua Street, Boston 02114

March 8, 1977

Re: Inspection Dam #2-6-66-2A
Shelburne Falls Fire District
Reservoir Dam
Colrain, Ma.

Dear Sir:

On October 18, 1976, an Engineer from the Massachusetts Department of Public Works made a visual inspection of the above dam. Our records indicate the owner to be Shelburne Falls Fire District. If this information is incorrect will you please notify this office.

The inspection was made in accordance with the provisions of Chapter 253 of the Massachusetts General Laws as amended (Dams Safety Act). Chapter 705 of the Acts of 1975 transferred the jurisdiction of the so-called "Dams Safety Program" to the Commissioner of the Department of Environmental Quality Engineering.

The results of the inspection indicate that this dam is safe; however, the following conditions were noted that require attention:

SEE REMARKS AND RECOMMENDATIONS ON REVERSE SIDE.

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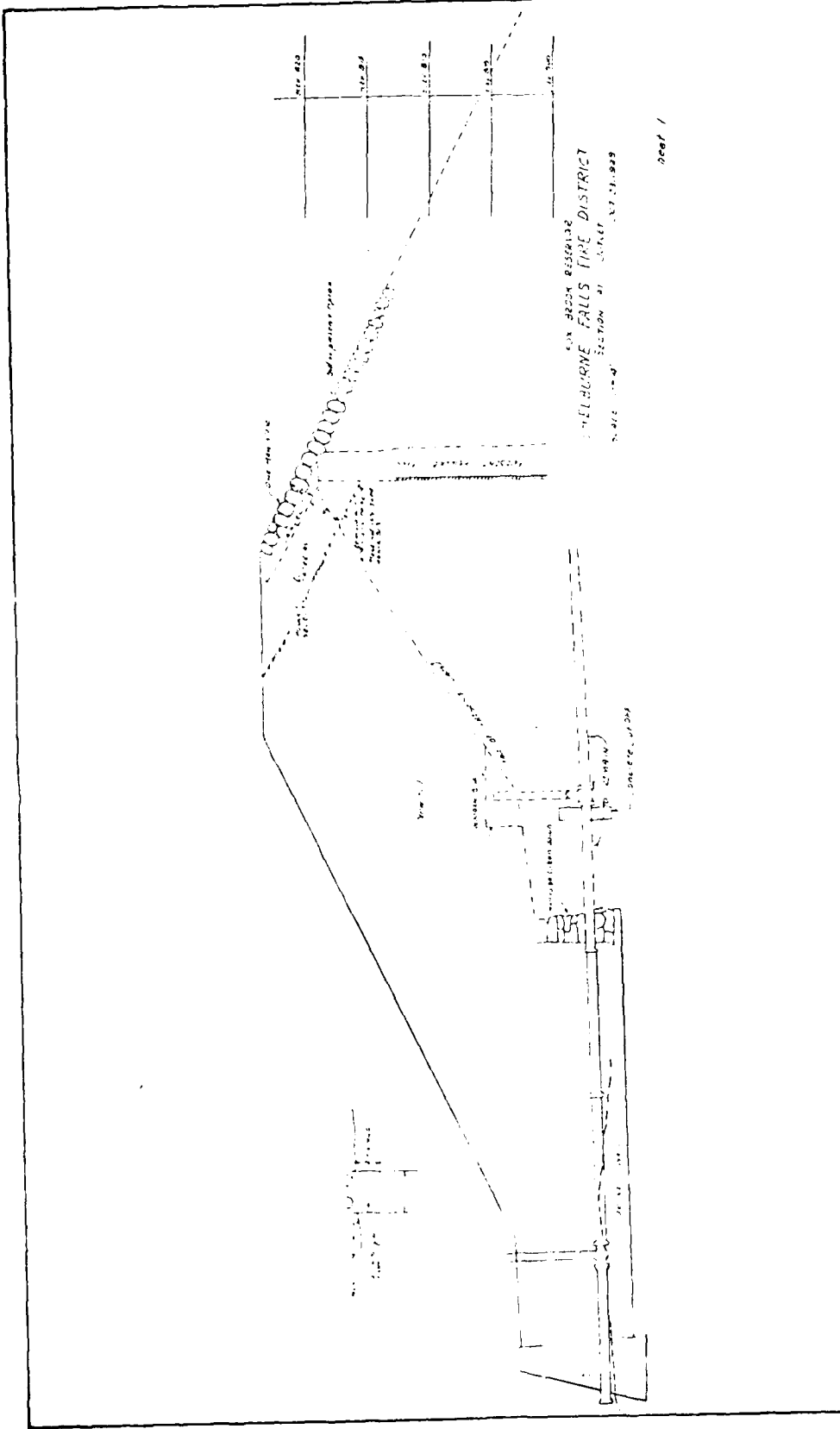
We call these conditions to your attention before they become serious and more expensive to correct. With any correspondence please include the number of the Dam as indicated above.

Very truly yours,

John J. Hanson, P.E.
Chief Engineer

cc: Francis J. Hoey
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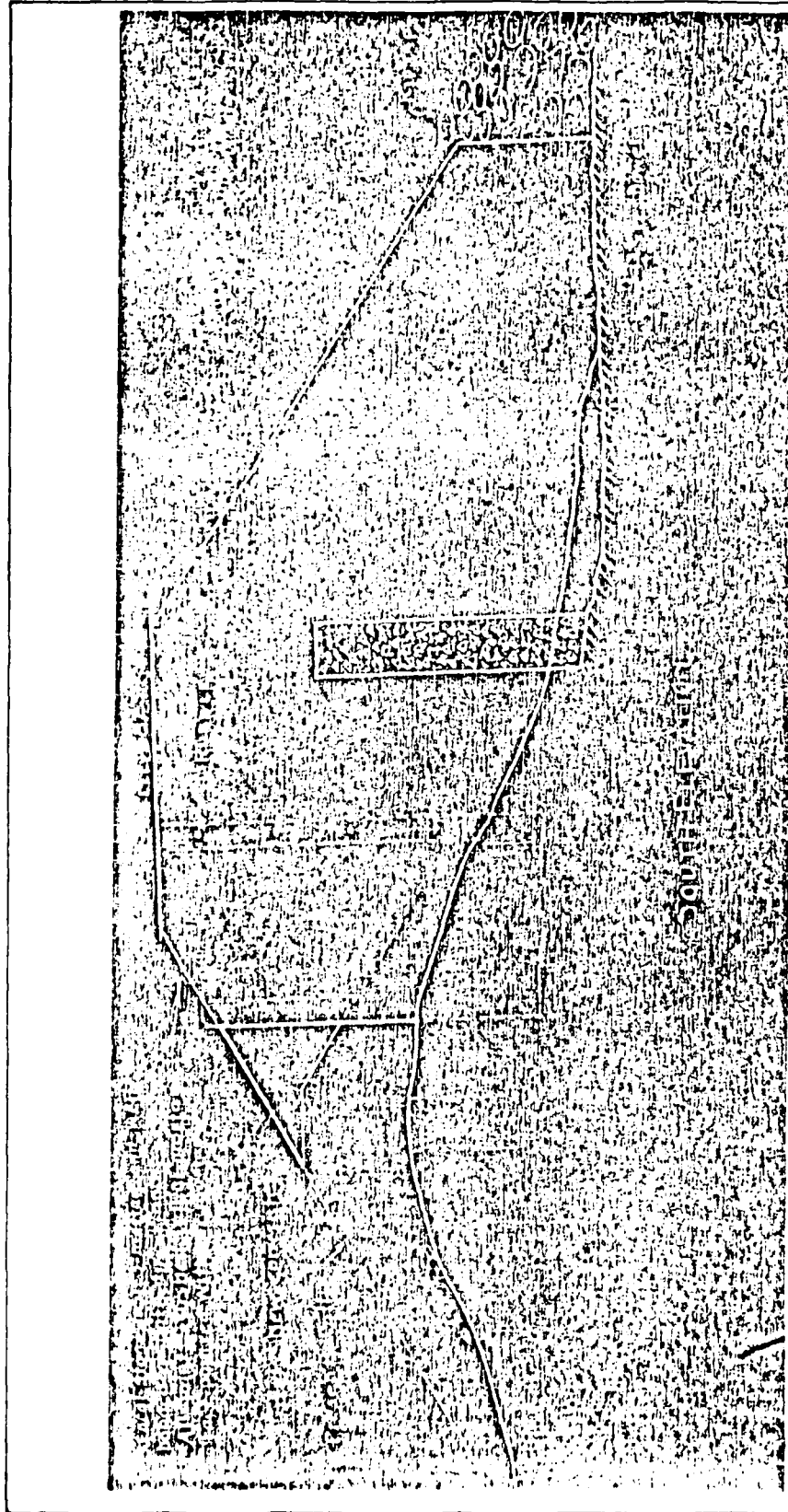
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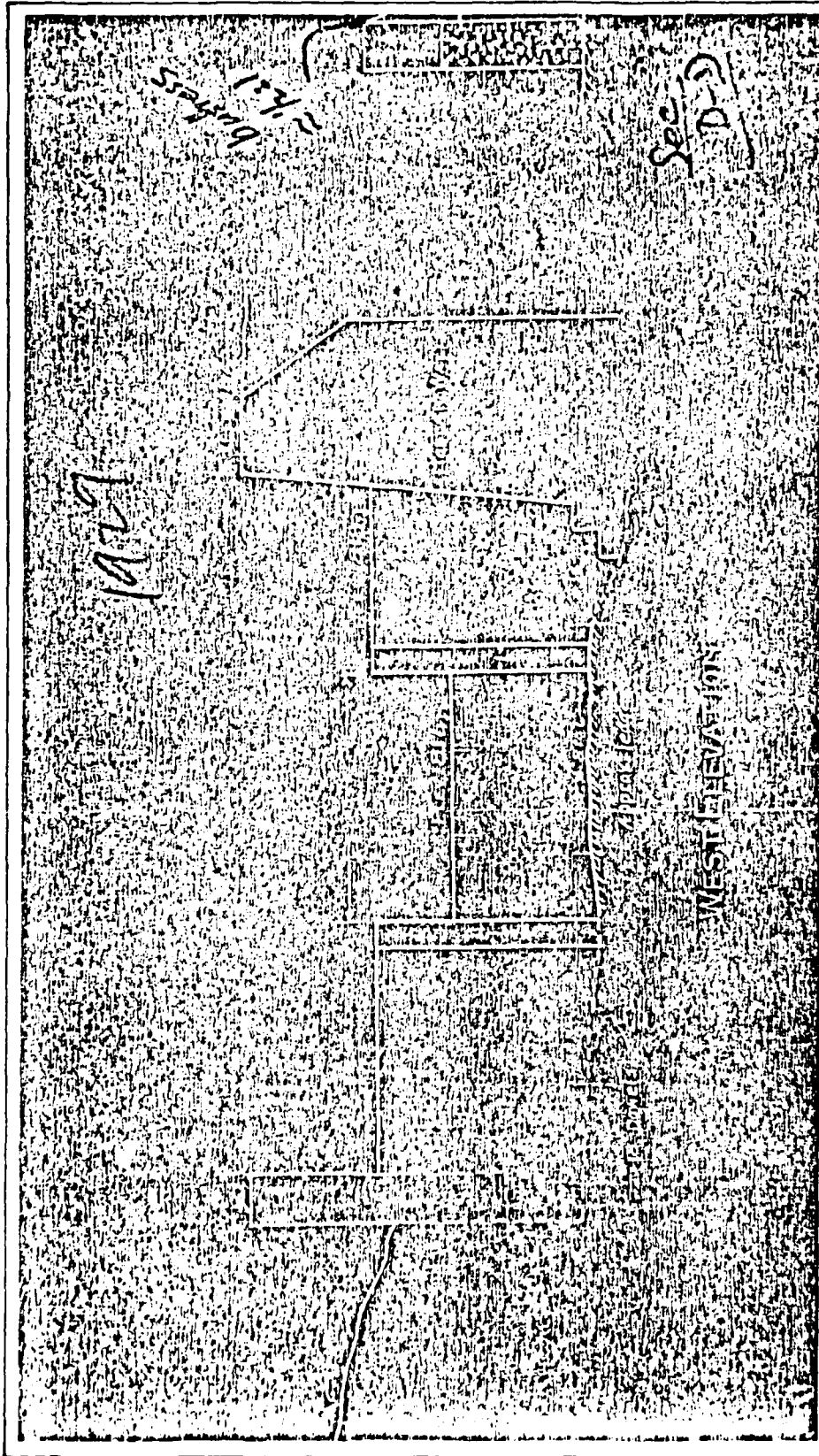
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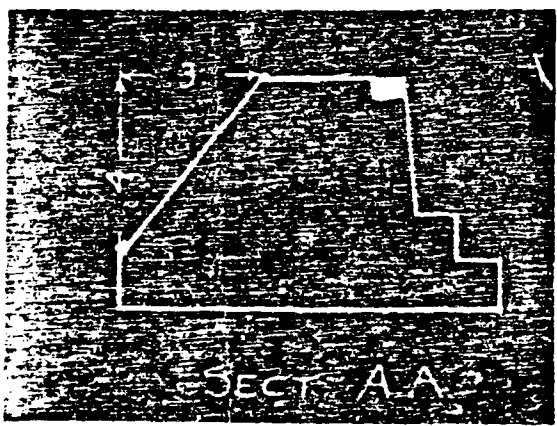
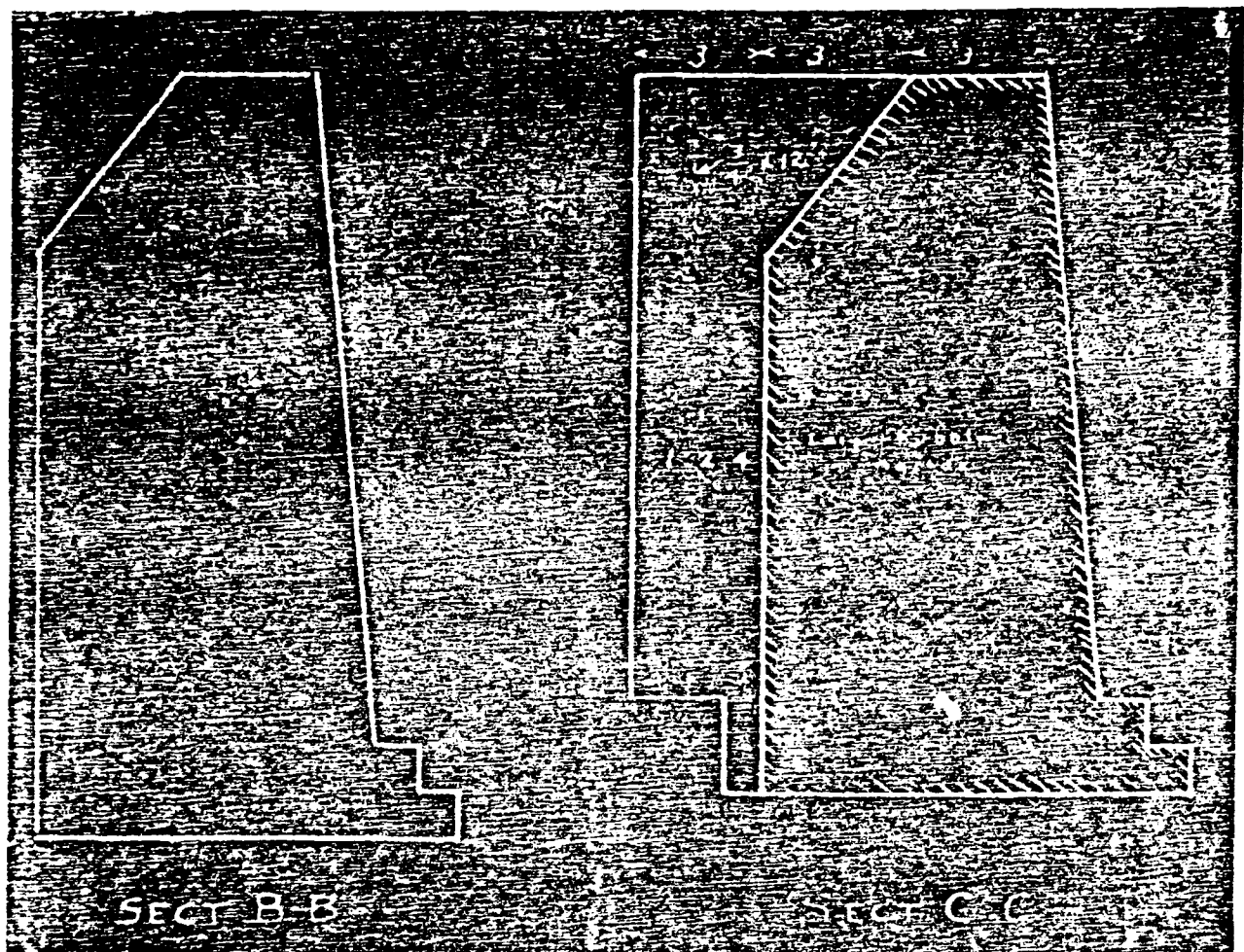
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Plan of 1929 Spillway Modification

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SHELBURNE FALLS FIRE DISTRICT

NEW ENGLAND DIVISION

Sections B-5, C-6, and A are included on page B-4. An elevation of the revised spillway is shown on page B-3.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR ENLARGING DAM IN 1929

The following specifications are for the enlargement of the dam, and shall be read in conjunction with the plans and sections thereto. The work shall be done in accordance with the drawings and specifications of the Engineer in Charge, and shall be completed by the date specified in the contract.

1. The dam shall be enlarged to a height of 100 feet above the natural ground surface at the crest.

2. The crest of the dam shall be 40 feet wide at the top and 10 feet wide at the base.

3. The slope of the dam shall be 1 vertical to 2 horizontal on both the upstream and downstream sides.

4. The foundation of the dam shall be on the natural ground surface, and shall be prepared in accordance with the specifications of the Engineer in Charge.

5. The concrete of the dam shall be of the quality specified in the contract, and shall be placed in layers of not more than 4 feet in thickness.

6. The concrete shall be placed in accordance with the specifications of the Engineer in Charge, and shall be cured for a period of 28 days before the dam is put into service.

7. The dam shall be provided with a drainage system, and shall be maintained in good condition at all times.

8. The work shall be completed by the date specified in the contract, and the dam shall be ready for service at that time.

9. The contractor shall be responsible for the safety of the work, and shall take all necessary precautions to prevent accidents.

10. The contractor shall be responsible for the cost of the work, and shall pay for all materials and labor.

11. The contractor shall be responsible for the completion of the work, and shall be held liable for any defects in the work.

12. The contractor shall be responsible for the maintenance of the dam, and shall keep it in good condition at all times.

13. The contractor shall be responsible for the operation of the dam, and shall follow the instructions of the Engineer in Charge.

14. The contractor shall be responsible for the safety of the dam, and shall take all necessary precautions to prevent accidents.

15. The contractor shall be responsible for the cost of the work, and shall pay for all materials and labor.

SPECIFICATIONS FOR ENLARGING DAM IN 1929

The following specifications are for the enlargement of the dam at the site of the old dam, and shall be in accordance with the plans and sections hereto attached, and shall be in accordance with the following conditions:

1. The dam shall be enlarged to a height of 100 feet above the original foundation, and shall be constructed of concrete, and shall be provided with a spillway of sufficient capacity to discharge the maximum flood of the river.

2. The dam shall be provided with a foundation of sufficient strength to support the weight of the dam and the water behind it, and shall be provided with a foundation of sufficient width to prevent the dam from sliding.

3. The dam shall be provided with a foundation of sufficient depth to prevent the dam from being undermined by the water behind it.

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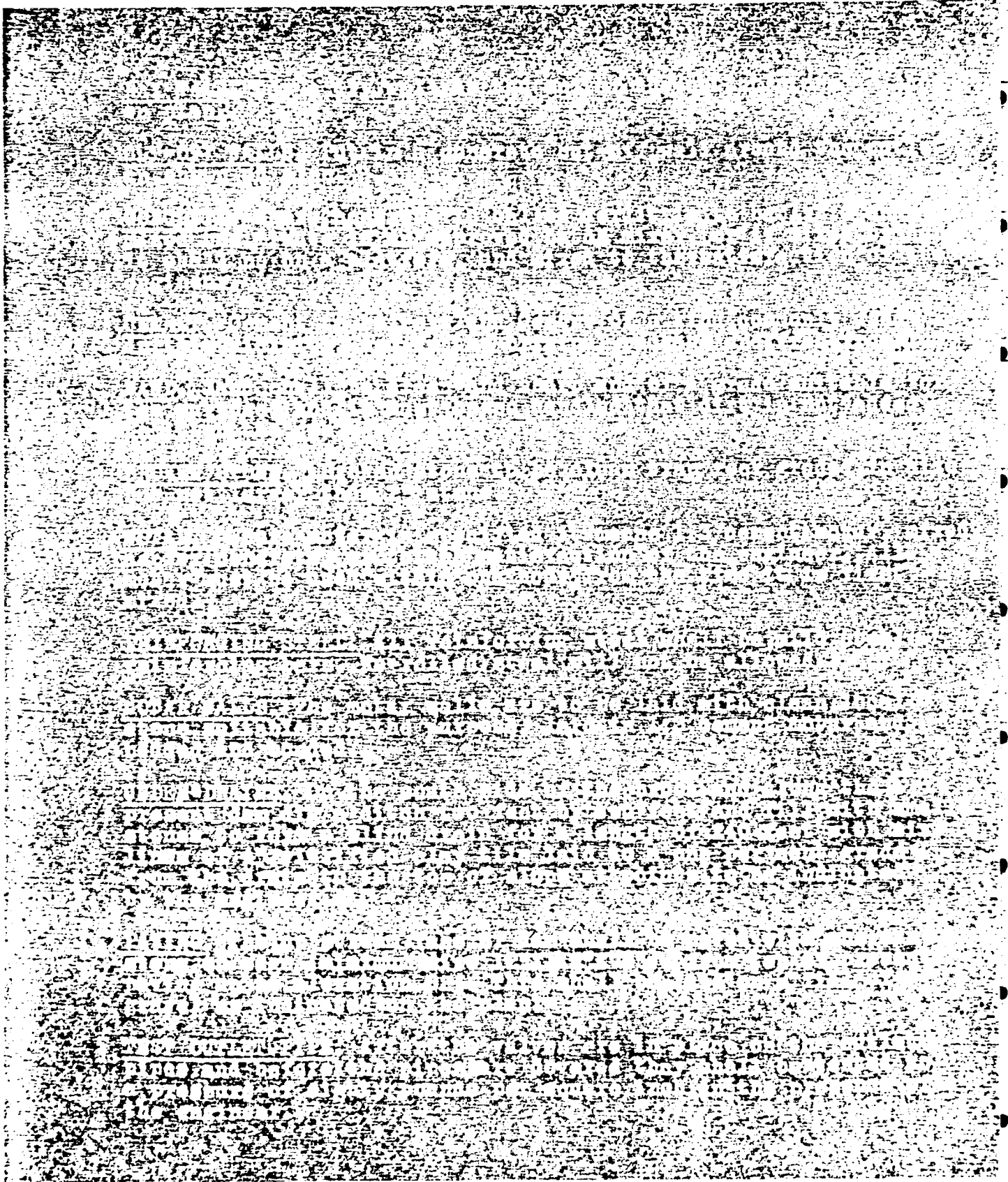
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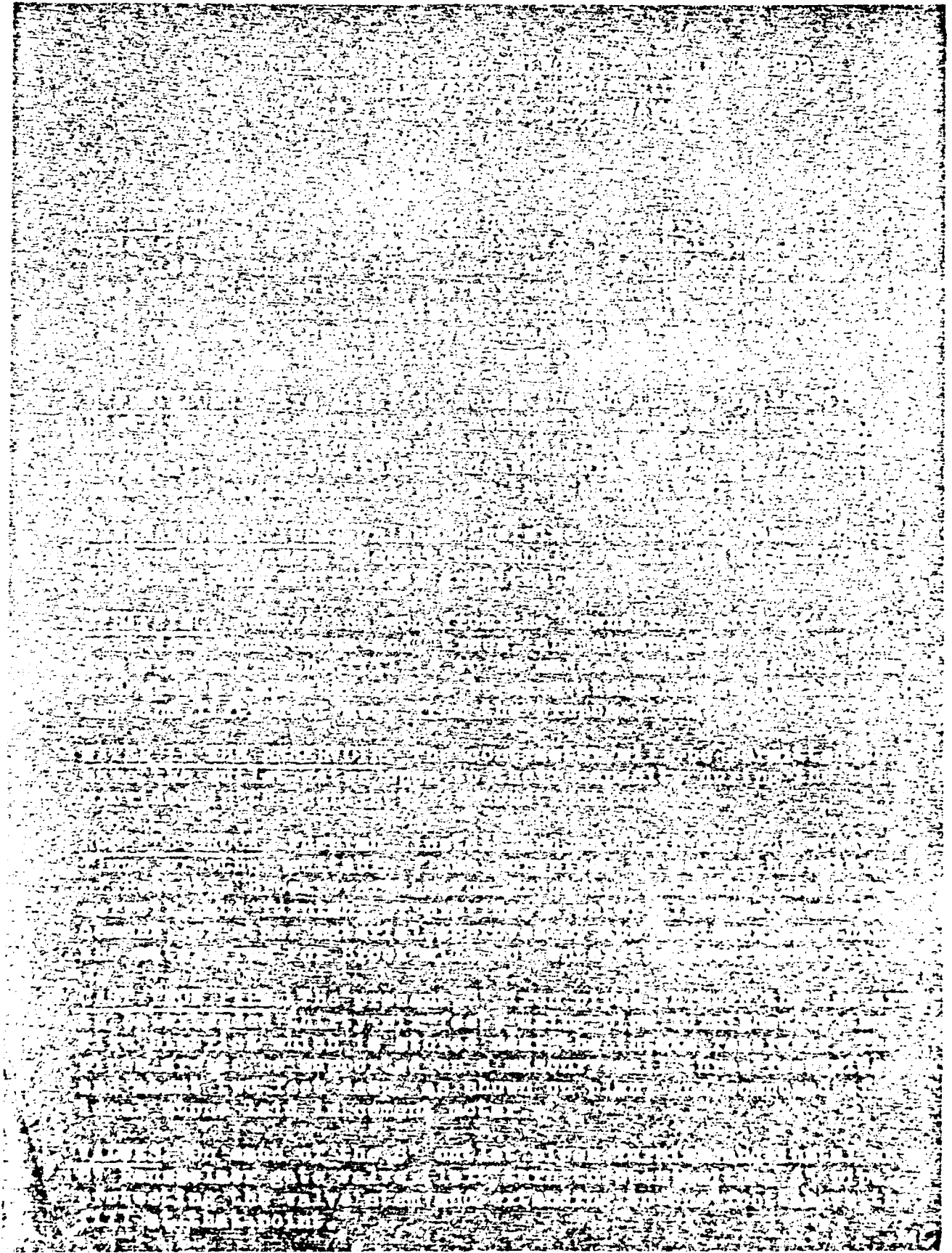
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SPECIFICATIONS FOR ENLARGING DAM IN 1929



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1. VIEW ALONG CENTERLINE OF THE DAM FROM THE NORTH ABUTMENT. (12/3/80)



2. DOWNSTREAM FACE OF THE SPILLWAY SHOWING FLASH BOARDS IN PLACE. (12/3/80)



3. GATEHOUSE AT THE DOWNSTREAM TOE OF THE DAM. (12/3/80)



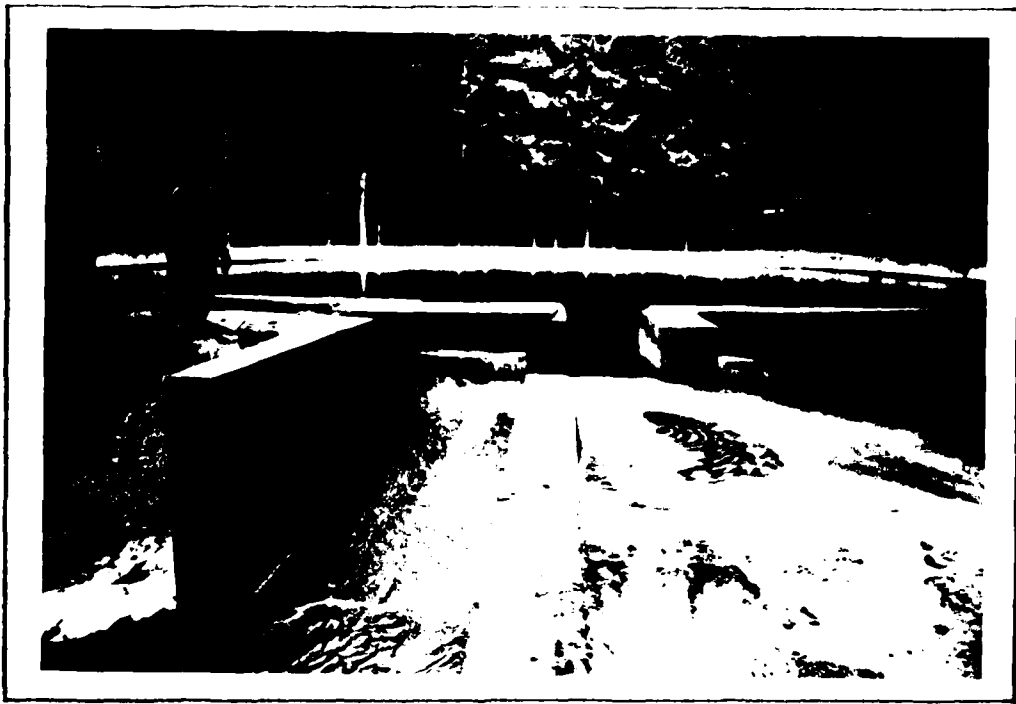
4. LOW LEVEL OUTLET AT THE DOWNSTREAM TOE OF THE DAM.
(12/3/80)



5. TYPICAL LINED CHANNEL DOWNSTREAM OF THE SPILLWAY OUTLET CHANNEL. (12/3/80)



6. TYPICAL UNLINED CHANNEL DOWNSTREAM OF THE SPILLWAY OUTLET CHANNEL. (12/3/80)



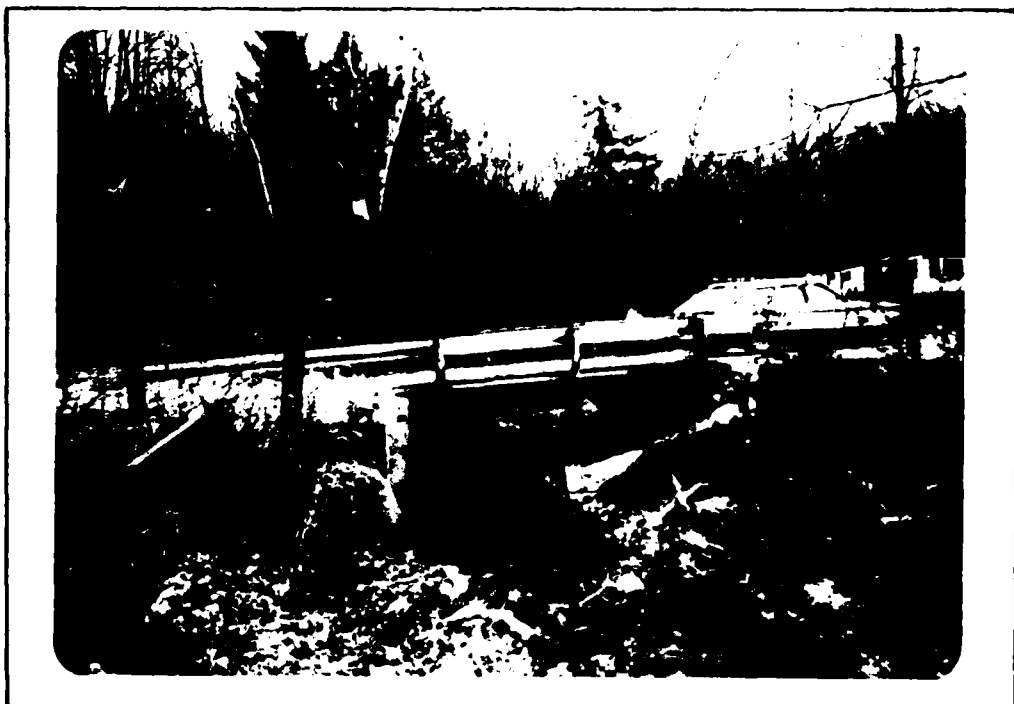
7. HOLDING POND ABOUT 1,100 FEET DOWNSTREAM OF THE DAM.
(12/3/80)



8. POTENTIAL DAMAGE AREA ABOUT 3,500 FEET DOWNSTREAM
OF THE DAM. (12/3/80)



9. POTENTIAL DAMAGE AREA ABOUT 3,500 FEET DOWNSTREAM OF THE DAM. (12/3/80)



10. ROAD CROSSING OVER DOWNSTREAM CHANNEL APPROXIMATELY 3,600 FEET DOWNSTREAM OF THE DAM. (12/3/80)

APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC
ENGINEERING DATA

APPENDIX D
HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS

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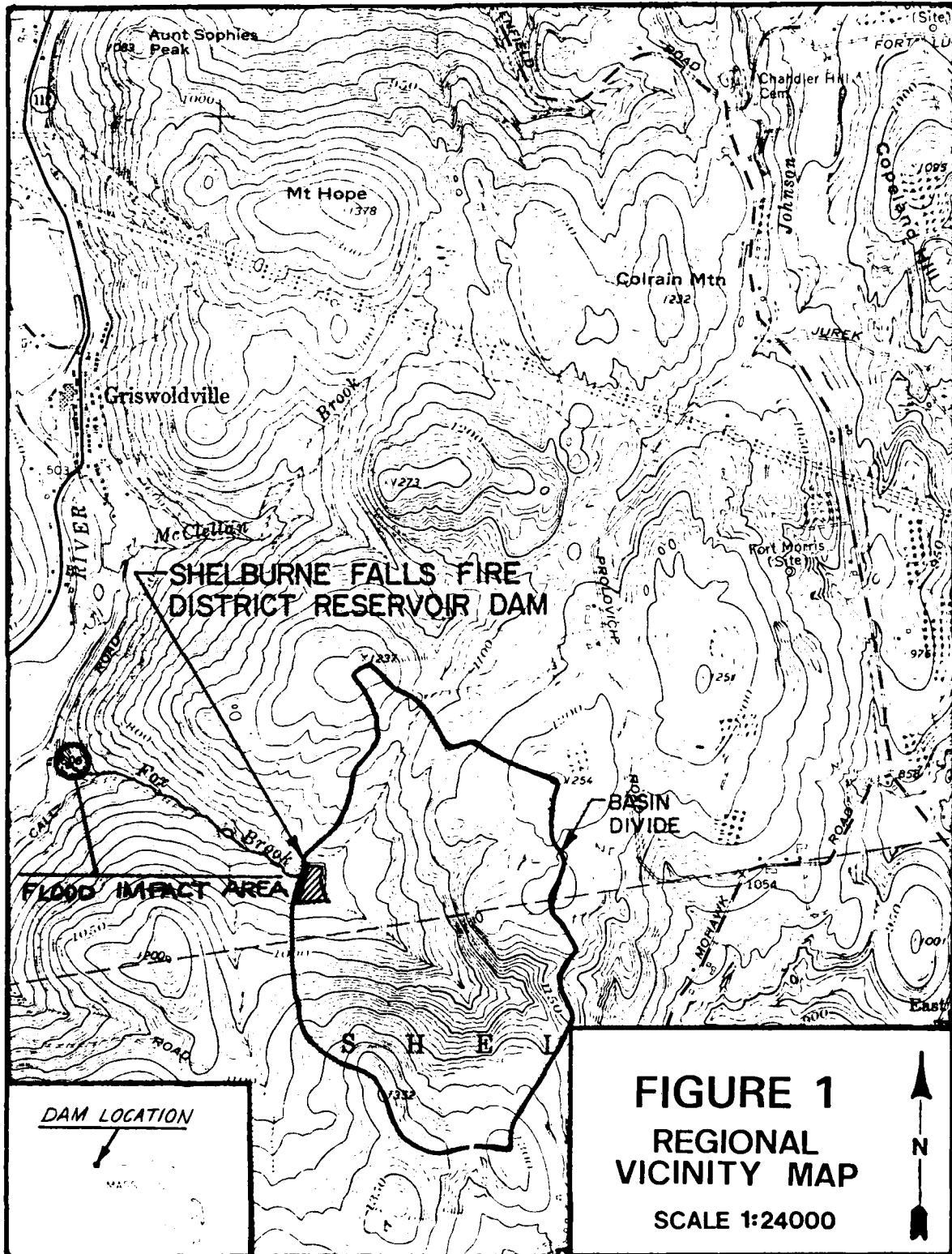


FIGURE 1
REGIONAL
VICINITY MAP
 SCALE 1:24000

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JOB NED COE, SHELburnE FALLS FIRE DISTRICT
SHEET NO. D-2 OF _____
CALCULATED BY D.M. DATE JAN-23-81
CHECKED BY [Signature] DATE 3/6/81
SCALE _____

SHELburnE FALLS FIRE DISTRICT RESERVOIR DAM.

DRAINAGE AREA = 0.6 Sq. Mi

$C_t = 2.0$ $C_p = 0.5$

T_p COMPUTATIONS.

$L = 0.92 \text{ Mi}$, $L_{ca} = 0.36 \text{ Mi}$

$$T_p = C_t (L \times L_{ca})^{0.3}$$

$$T_p = 2.0 (0.92 \times 0.36)^{0.3} = \underline{1.45 \text{ Hours.}} \approx \underline{1.5 \text{ Hours}}$$

PMP DATA

From HMS #33 The 24 HOUR 200 Sq. Mi INDEX Rainfall IS: 20.2 INCHES

- 6 Hr % = 111
- 12 Hr % = 124
- 24 Hr % = 133

STAGE-DISCHARGE.

Q_1 = FLOW FROM SPILLWAY (SHARP-CRESTED), $L_1 = 27.5'$

Q_2 = FLOW OVER CREST OF DAM $Q_2 = CLH^{1.5} = 2.7 \times L_2 \times H^{1.5} = 1323H^{1.5}$

Q_1 will be computed according to Bazin's Formula*, pg 20-17
 See also, Design, Vol. I

Q_2 will be computed as broad-crested weir

Elev.	H_1	$L_1 \times Q_1 = Q_1$	H_2	L_2	Q_2	$Q_1 + Q_2$
847	0	0	—	—	0	0
847.5	0.5	33	—	—	—	33
848	1.0	94	—	—	—	94
848.5	1.5	173	—	—	—	173
849	2.0	271	—	—	—	271
849.8	2.8	462	0	0	0	462
850	3.0	515	0.2	491	119	634
851	4.0	818	1.2	495	1,757	2,575
852	5.0	1,173	2.2	500	4,405	5,578
853	6.0	1,579	3.2	504	7,790	9,369

* Note: The height of weir (P) was estimated to be 4 feet.

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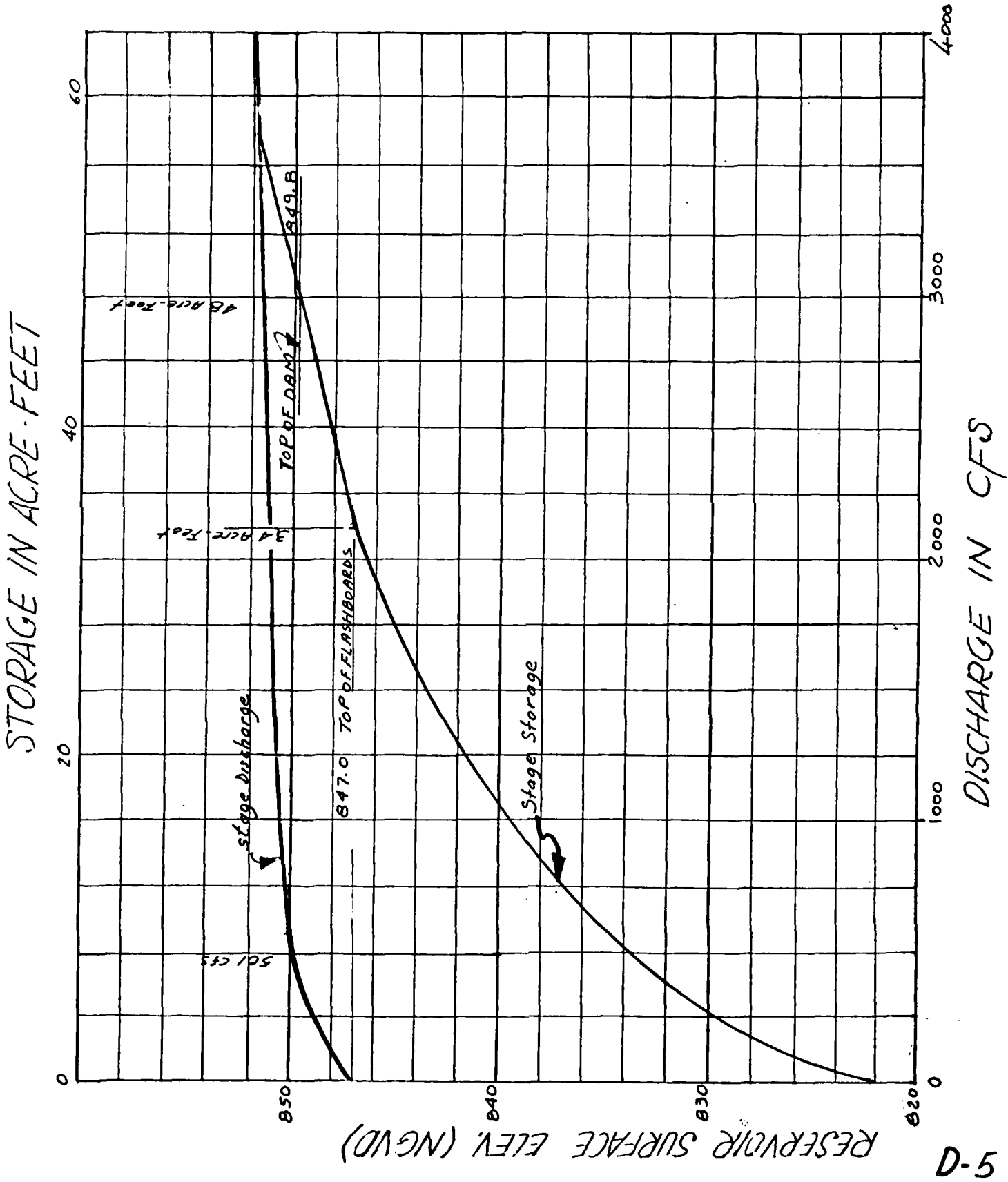
JOB SHELburnE FALLS FIRE DISTRICT DAM
SHEET NO D-4 OF _____
CALCULATED BY D.M. DATE 1-28-81
CHECKED BY JR DATE 3/6/81
SCALE _____

STAGE STORAGE

ELEVATION	AREA (ACRES)	STORAGE (ACRE-FeET)
821.0	0	0
847.0 FLASHBOARDS	4.0	34
849.8 CREST OF DAM	5.5	48
851.8	6.0	58

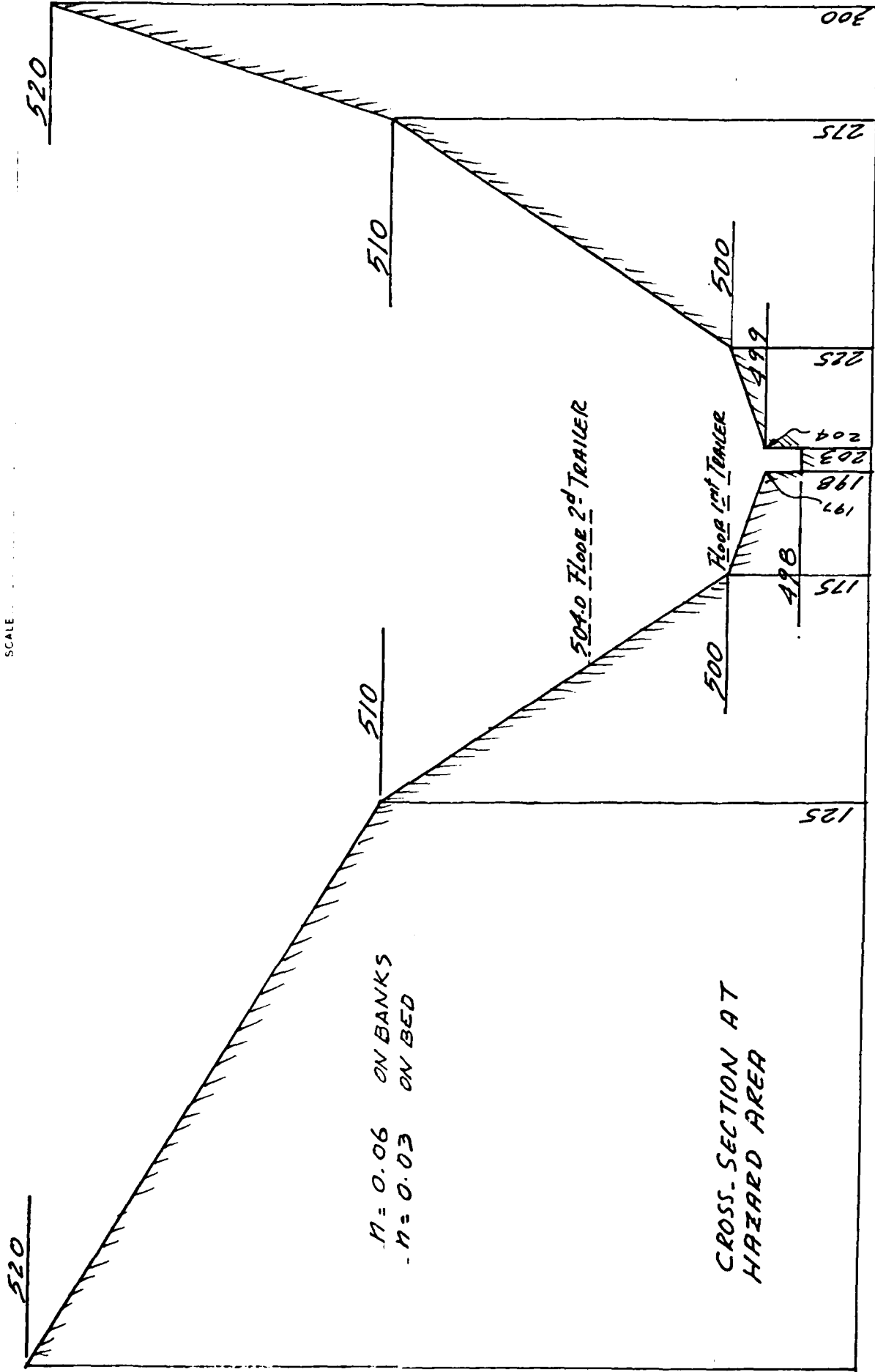
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JOB SHELBURNE FALLS FIRE DISTRICT DAM
 SHEET NO D-5 OF _____
 CALCULATED BY D. M. DATE 1-28-81
 CHECKED BY [Signature] DATE 3/6/81
 SCALE _____



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PROJECT: SHELburne TAILS FIRE DISTRICT DAM
 SHEET NO: D-6
 CALCULATED BY: D.M.
 CHECKED BY: [Signature]
 DATE: 1-28-81
 DATE: 3/6/81



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 FLOOD HYDROGRAPH PACKAGE (DEC 1)
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PREVIEW OF SEQUENCE OF STREAM NETWORK CALCULATIONS

ROUTED HYDROGRAPH AT IHHFDF
 ROUTE HYDROGRAPH TO ROFFDF
 END OF NETWORK

HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS OF SHELburne FALLS FIRE DISTRICT DAM
 NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM
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JOB SPECIFICATION	JULY	AUG	SEP	OCT	NOV	DEC	TRAC	IFLT	IFPT	INSTAN
000	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
001	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
002	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
003	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
004	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
005	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
006	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
007	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
008	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
009	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
010	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
011	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
012	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
013	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
014	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
015	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
016	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
017	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
018	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
019	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
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022	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
023	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
024	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
025	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0

ALL THE PLAN ANALYSES TO BE PERFORMED
 BEFORE THE PLAN IS EXECUTED

SUB-AREA RUNOFF COMPUTATION

INFLOW TO FINE DISTRICT POND

ISTAQ	ICORF	IECON	ITAPE	JFLT	JFKT	INAME	ISTAGE	IAUTD
0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

IHYDG	IUBG	TAREA	SRAP	TRSHA	TRSFPC	RATIO	ISNDW	ISAME	LOCAL
1	1	.60	0.00	.60	0.00	0.000	0	1	0

PRECIP DATA

SFFE	FMS	R6	R12	R24	R48	R72	R96
0.00	20.20	111.00	124.00	133.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

TRSFPC COMPUTED BY THE PROGRAM IS .000

LRPFT	STRK	DLINK	RTIOL	ERAIN	STRKS	RTION	STRTL	CNSTL	ALSHX	RTIMP
0	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	.05	0.00	0.00

UNIT HYDROGRAPH DATA

UF= 1.45 CF= .60 RTA= 0

RECESSION DATA

STRIQ= -1.70 BRCSN= -.10 RTIOR= 2.00

UNIT HYDROGRAPH 52	END-OF-PERIOD	ORDINATES,	LAD=	1.46	HOURS,	CF=	.60	VOL=	1.00
3.	22.	44.	70.	98.	124.	144.	158.	163.	159.
145.	129.	115.	103.	91.	82.	73.	65.	58.	51.
45.	41.	35.	33.	29.	26.	23.	21.	18.	16.
5.	13.	12.	10.	9.	8.	7.	6.	6.	5.
5.	4.	4.	3.	3.	3.	2.	2.	2.	2.
1.	1.								

PERIOD	HR.MN	PERIOD	RAIN	EXCS	LOSS	PERIOD	HR.MN	PERIOD	RAIN	EXCS	LOSS	CONF R
SUM	21.49	20.29	1.20	4734.7	159.							

HYDROGRAPH ROUTING

ROUTED OUTFLOW OF FINE DISTRICT FORD

ROFFD	1	ICOMP	1	IECON	0	ITAPE	0	JFLT	0	JFT	0	IRAME	1	ISTAGE	0	IAUTO	0
ROUTING DATA																	
AVG	0.00	IR5	1	ISAM	1	IOFT	0	IFMP	0	ISFR	0						
LAG	0	AMON	X														
NSPTS	1	NSTL	0	LAG	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000	0.000

STAGE	847.00	847.50	848.00	848.50	849.00	849.50	849.70	849.80	849.80	850.00	851.00	852.00	853.00
FLOW	0.00	33.00	94.00	173.00	271.00	342.00	400.00	462.00	462.00	634.00	2575.00	5578.00	9367.00

SURFACE AREA= 0. 4. 6.
 CAPACITY= 0. 34. 65.
 ELEVATION= 822. 847. 853.

CREL	847.0	SPWD	0.0	CDW	0.0	EXFW	0.0	ELEV	0.0	COOL	0.0	CAREA	0.0	EXPL	0.0
DAM DATA															
IOFEL	849.9	COOL	0.0	EXFD	0.0	DAMWLD	0.0								

PEAK OUTFLOW IS 519. AT TIME 17.00 HOURS

PEAK FLOW AND STORAGE (END OF PERIOD) SUMMARY FOR MULTIPLE FLOW-RATIO ECONOMIC COMPUTATIONS
 FLOWS IN CUBIC FEET PER SECOND (CUBIC METERS PER SECOND)
 AREA IN SQUARE MILES (SQUARE KILOMETERS)

RATIOS APPLIED TO FLOWS

OPERATION	STATION	AREA	PLAN RATIO
			.33

HYDROGRAPH AT	INFFD	(	.60	1	521.	
		)	(	1.55)	(	14.74)
ROUTED TO	ROFFD	(	.60	1	519.	
		)	(	1.55)	(	14.69)

SUMMARY OF DAM SAFETY ANALYSIS

STATION 1	.....	ELEVATION	847.00	INITIAL VALUE	847.00	SPILLWAY CREST	847.00	TOP OF DAM	849.80
		STORAGE	34.		34.		34.		46.
		OUTFLOW	0.		0.		0.		462.
		MAXIMUM	849.87	MAXIMUM	519.	DURATION	1.00	TIME OF	17.00
		DEPTH	0.07	STORAGE	48	OVER TOP	1.00	FAILURE	0.00
		OPER DAM		AC FT		HOURS		HOURS	

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 FLOOD HYDROGRAPH PACKAGE (HEC-1)
 DATA SAFETY QUESTION JULY 1978
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1 A1 HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS OF SHELburne FALLS FIRE DISTRICT DAM BREACH
 2 A2 NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM
 3 A3 NEW ENGLAND DIVISION CORPS OF ENGINEERS
 4 B 300 0 10 0 0 0 0 -4 0
 5 B1 5
 6 J 2 1 1
 7 J1 .33
 8 N 0 INFFD
 9 N1 INFLOW TO FIRE DISTRICT FOND 1
 10 M 1 1 .60 0 1
 11 P 0 20.2 111 124 133
 12 T
 13 W 1.5 0.6
 14 X -1.7 -0.1 2
 15 N 1 ROFFDF
 16 N1 ROUTED OUTFLOW OF FIRE DISTRICT FOND 1
 17 Y 1 1
 18 Y1 1 847 847.5 849 849.5 849 849.8 850 851 852 853
 19 Y4 847 33 94 173 271 462 634 2575 5578 78 498 853 9369
 20 Y5 0 4 6.4
 21 \$A 821.8 847
 22 \$B 847
 23 \$C 847
 24 \$D 849.8 0.01 824.0 .25 847 849.8
 25 \$E 100 0.01 824.0 .25 847 860
 26 \$F 100 1 RUFFAR
 27 N 1
 28 N1 CHANNEL ROUTING TO HAZARD AREA 1
 29 Y 1 1
 30 Y1 1
 31 Y6 0.06 0.04 0.06 498 510 510 3500 0.09 -1
 32 Y7 0 510 50 500 72 499 73 498 78 498
 33 Y7 79 499 100 500 150 510
 34 N 99

PREVIEW OF SEQUENCE OF STREAM NETWORK CALCULATIONS

RUNOFF HYDROGRAPH AT INFFD
 ROUTE HYDROGRAPH TO ROFFDF
 ROUTE HYDROGRAPH TO RUFFAR
 END OF NETWORK

HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS OF SHELburne FALLS FIRE DISTRICT DAM BREACH
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NO	RUR	RMR	RTH	RDY	RUR	RMT	RMT	RMT	RMT	JOB SPECIFICATION			IFPT	NSTAN
										INCU	METRC	IFLT		
300	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0
				JOPER	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-4	0

MULTI PLAN TOTALS TO BE PERFORMED
 OPTION 1 OPTION 1

SUB-AREA KURDIT COMPUTATION

INFLOW TO FIRE DISTRICT POND

ISTAR ICOMP IECON ITAPE JPLT JFRT INAME ISTAGE IAUDD
 INFLOW 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0

HYDROGRAPH DATA
 IUNIG IUNG TAREA SNAP R6 R12 R24 R4P R72 R96
 1 .60 0.00 .60 0.00 124.00 133.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 0.00

PRECIP DATA

SFFE FMS R6 R12 R24 R4P R72 R96
 0.00 20.20 111.00 124.00 133.00 0.00 0.00 0.00

TRSPC COMPUTED BY THE PROGRAM IS .800

LOSS DATA
 LRPT STRK DLTR RTIOL ERAIN STRKS RTIOL STRTL CNSTL ALSMX RTIME
 0 0.00 0.00 1.00 0.00 0.00 0.00 1.00 0.00 .05 0.00 0.00

UNIT HYDROGRAPH DATA
 TP= 1.50 CF= .60 NTA= 0

RECESSION DATA
 STRT0= -1.70 BRCSN= -.10 RTIUR= 2.00

UNIT HYDROGRAPH 53 END-OF-PERIOD ORDINATES, LAG= 1.50 HOURS, CF= .61 VOL= 1.00
 6. 21. 42. 66. 93. 118. 138. 152. 159. 157.
 145. 130. 104. 83. 74. 66. 59. 53.
 47. 42. 38. 30. 27. 24. 19. 17.
 15. 14. 11. 10. 9. 8. 7. 6.
 5. 4. 4. 3. 3. 2. 2. 2.
 2. 1. 1.

END-OF-PERIOD FLOW
 MO.DA HR.MN PERIOD RAIN EXCS LOSS COMP Q MO.DA HR.MN PERIOD RAIN EXCS LOSS COMP Q
 0 21.49 20.29 1.20 47319.
 (546.) (315.) (30.) (1330.92)

HYDROGRAPH ROUTING

ROUTED OUTFLOW OF FIRE DISTRICT POND

ISTAR ICOMP IECON ITAPE JPLT JFRT INAME ISTAGE IAUDD
 ROFFDP 1 0 0 0 0 0 1 0 0

ALL FLANS HAVE SAME

ROUTING DATA

QLOSS CLOSS AVG IRES ISAME IOFT IFMF LSTR
 0.0 0.000 0.00 1 1 0 0 0
 NSTFS NSTIL LAG AMSKK X TSK STORA ISPKAI
 1 0 0 0.000 0.000 0.000 -847. -1

STAGE 847.50 848.00 848.50 849.00 849.50 850.00 851.00 852.00 853.00
 FLOW 0.00 94.00 173.00 271.00 462.00 634.00 8575.00 5578.00 5155.00

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CAPACITY 34. 65.
 ELEVATION 847. 853.
 CURV 0.0 0.0
 LFT 847.0 0.0
 RFT 847. 853.
 CURV 0.0 0.0
 LFT 847.0 0.0
 RFT 847. 853.

DAM DATA
 TULL COOR LEFT RGMWID
 847.8 0.0 0.0

DAM BREACH DATA
 Z ELBN TFALL WSEL FAILL
 .01 824.00 .25 847.00 849.80

ELDR Dam FAILURE AT 17.00 HOURS

FLR. OUTFLOW IS 5427. AT TIME 17.16 HOURS

FEW. OUTFLOW IS 512. AT TIME 17.17 HOURS

RETURNSHEET ROUTING

CHANNEL ROUTING TO HAZARD AREA

ISTAR ROR HAZ	ICOMF	ICCON	ITAFE	JFLT	JFRT	INAME	ISTAGE	IAUTO
1	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0

ALL FLANS HAVE SAME
ROUTING DATA

RLOSS	CLASS	AVG	IRCS	ISAME	IOFT	IFMP	LSTR
0.0	0.000	0.00	1	1	0	0	0

MINIMUM DEPTH CHANNEL ROUTING

RN(1)	RN(2)	RN(3)	ELMVT	ELMAX	RLNTH	SEL
.0600	.0400	.0600	498.0	510.0	3500.	.09000

CROSS SECTION COORDINATES--STA,ELEV,STA,ELEV--ETC

0.00	510.00	50.00	500.00	72.00	499.00	73.00	498.00	78.00	498.00
79.00	499.00	100.00	500.00	150.00	510.00				

STORAGE	0.00	.29	.75	2.37	5.00	7.96	11.25	14.85	19.78	23.03
	27.59	32.48	37.69	43.22	49.07	55.24	61.73	68.54	75.67	83.12
OUTFLOW	0.00	25.84	90.61	259.79	634.21	1191.56	1920.32	2821.93	3900.72	5162.33
	6613.11	6259.78	10107.22	12168.43	14444.42	16944.18	19674.69	22642.08	25855.61	29319.70
STAGE	490.00	498.63	499.26	499.89	500.53	501.16	501.79	502.42	503.05	503.68
	504.32	504.95	505.58	506.21	506.84	507.47	508.11	508.74	509.37	510.00
FLOW	0.00	25.84	90.61	259.79	634.21	1191.56	1920.32	2821.93	3900.72	5162.33
	6613.11	8259.78	10109.22	12168.43	14444.42	16944.18	19674.69	22642.08	25855.61	29319.70

MINIMUM STAGE IS 503.8

MAXIMUM STAGE IS 500.3

PEAK FLOW AND STORAGE (FPM OF PERIOD) SUMMARY FOR MULTIPLE PLAN-RATIO ECONOMIC COMPUTATION
 FLOWS IN CUBIC FEET PER SECOND (CUBIC METERS PER SECOND)
 AREA IN SQUARE MILES (KILOMETERS)

RATIOS APPLIED TO FLOWS

DEFLECTION STATION AREA PLAN RATIO 1 .33

HIGHLIGHT AT	DEPTH	.60	1	513.
	(	1.55)	(	14.53)
			2	513.
			(	14.53)
ROUTED TO	ROFFDR	.60	1	5295.
	(	1.55)	(	149.94)
			2	512.
			(	14.50)
ROUTED TO	ROFHAR	.60	1	3421.
	(	1.55)	(	76.87)
			2	511.
			(	14.47)

SUMMARY OF DAM SAFETY ANALYSIS

FLAN 1	INITIAL VALUE	SPILLWAY CREST	TOP OF DAM
	847.00	847.00	849.80
	34.	34.	46.
	0.	0.	462.

RATIO OF FPM	MAXIMUM DEPTH OVER DAM	MAXIMUM STORAGE AC-FT	MAXIMUM OUTFLOW CFS	DURATION OVER TOP HOURS	TIME OF MAX OUTFLOW HOURS	TIME OF FAILURE HOURS
.33	.06	47.	5427.	.20	17.16	17.00

FLAN 2	INITIAL VALUE	SPILLWAY CREST	TOP OF DAM
	847.00	847.00	849.80
	34.	34.	46.
	0.	0.	462.

RATIO OF FPM	MAXIMUM DEPTH OVER DAM	MAXIMUM STORAGE AC-FT	MAXIMUM OUTFLOW CFS	DURATION OVER TOP HOURS	TIME OF MAX OUTFLOW HOURS	TIME OF FAILURE HOURS
.33	.06	47.	512.	.83	17.17	0.00

FLAN 1 STATION ROFHAR

RATIO	MAXIMUM FLOW,CFS	MAXIMUM STAGE,FT	TIME HOURS
.33	3421.	502.8	17.17

FLAN 2 STATION ROFHAR

RATIO	MAXIMUM FLOW,CFS	MAXIMUM STAGE,FT	TIME HOURS
.33	3421.	502.8	17.17

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