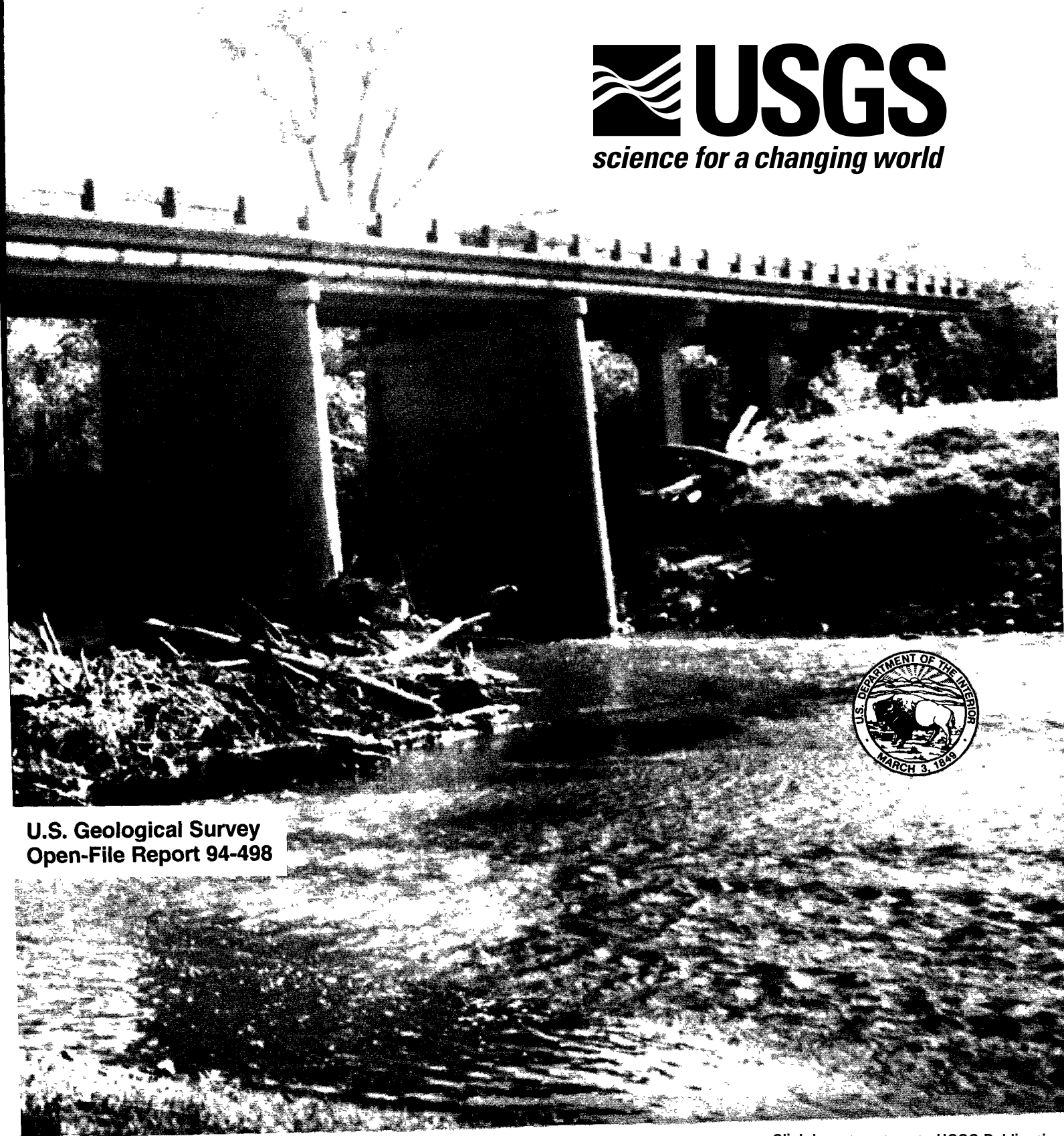


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A Message from the District Chief

This report is the most recent in a series published about every 2 years that describes the programs and activities of the Tennessee District of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS), Water Resources Division. The report summarizes the main objectives and status of the projects developed from 1992-94 as part of the cooperative and Federal programs of the USGS in Tennessee.

Tennessee is blessed with an abundance of surface and ground water, but the quality and distribution of the water resources throughout the State is not uniform. Also, the demand for and use of water continues to increase, affecting its availability and reducing its quality. Past and current generations considered water an inexhaustible resource with little concern for its protection and conservation. At many areas across Tennessee, sources of pollution to surface and ground waters are present, and will require sizable resources to remedy. This reflects in a decrease in the quality of the water and higher costs to supply increasing water needs that meet quality criteria for a variety of uses.

Some of the many water-resources related problems faced by future generations in Tennessee include:

- Nonpoint-source pollution of surface waters from several sources including agriculture and urban storm runoff.
- Acid rain.
- Increasing water-supply demands, resulting in localized water shortages and the need to develop new sources of supply.
- Point-source pollution of ground water from industrial and domestic hazardous-waste sites and abandoned mines.
- Point-source pollution of surface water by waste discharges from sewage treatment plants and industrial facilities.

These problems are widespread across the State and include private, State, and Federal lands and facilities. Agricultural activities in West and Middle Tennessee contribute large amounts of sediment and chemicals to runoff. Active and inactive domestic and industrial landfills leach contaminants to aquifers and streams in the karst areas of Middle Tennessee. Sediment and coal spoils decrease the quality of the water in streams throughout East Tennessee, affecting the habitat of critical species such as mussels. Significant efforts and resources will be required to properly define the extent of these problems, and to develop remediation strategies.

The mission of the Tennessee District of the USGS is to assist local, State, and Federal agencies in collecting needed water-resources data to understand the problems that affect this important resource, and to provide scientific analyses in search of solutions. The projects described in this report are designed with that purpose. The USGS staff is dedicated to work in partnership with local, State, and Federal agencies to meet these goals. I am proud of the dedication, capabilities, and accomplishments of the employees of the Tennessee District as reflected in the summaries provided in this report.

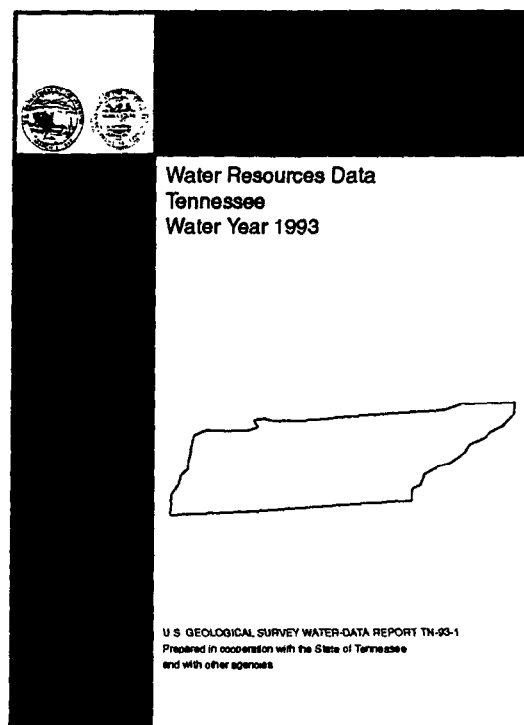
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HYDROLOGIC DATA COLLECTION

Hydrologic data, or basic data as this type of information is commonly known, is the mainstay of the investigations conducted by the Water Resources Division of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS). The basic-data collection programs carried out by the Tennessee District provide streamflow, quality-of-water, and ground-water level information essential to the assessment and management of the State's water resources. Long-term streamflow, quality-of-water, and ground-water level networks are operated as part of the function of the Hydrologic Data Section. Field operations are about equally divided among field offices in Memphis, Nashville, and Knoxville. A staff of about 45 hydrologists and hydrologic technicians provide operational support for both long-term networks as well as shorter term networks established for areal investigations. The data collected from the networks are published in the series of annual data reports titled "Water Resources Data for Tennessee." The data also are readily available as computer printouts and in disc format from the USGS District office in Nashville.



Surface-Water Monitoring Network

The USGS, Tennessee District, operates a network of continuous streamflow-gaging stations throughout Tennessee. In 1994, the number of stations in the network increased slightly to a total of 121. Additionally, rainfall data are collected at about 60 sites. Continuous streamflow data are recorded and disseminated for many purposes, including:

- Assessment of water availability
- Operation of impoundments and pumping facilities
- Flood or drought monitoring and forecasting
- Waste disposal and control
- Legal requirements and enforcement
- Research and hydrologic trends or other special studies

This program is conducted by the USGS in cooperation with the following agencies or municipal governments:

Tennessee Valley Authority

U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Nashville District

Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

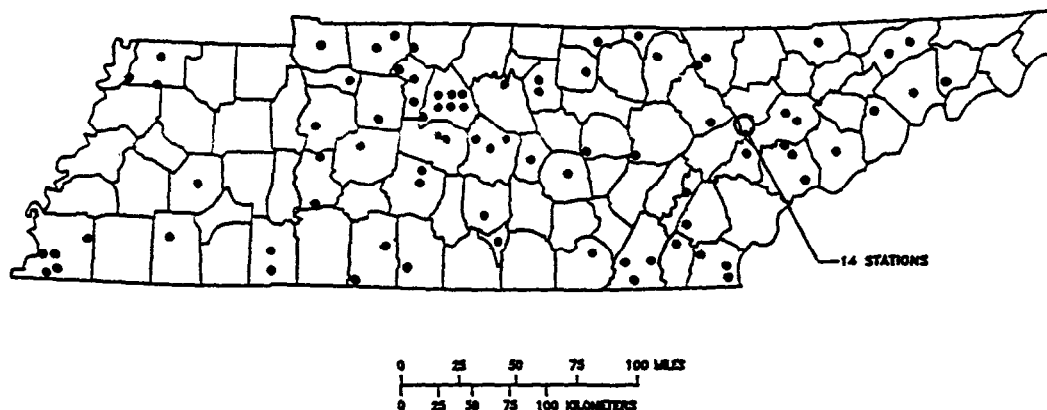
Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency

U.S. Department of Energy

Memphis Light, Gas and Water

Shelby County, and

the cities of Alcoa, Bartlett, Lawrenceburg, Memphis, Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County, Rogersville, Dickson, Franklin, Murfreesboro, Harriman, Spring Hill, Sevierville, Union City, Camden, Columbia, Crossville, Red Boiling Springs, Tullahoma, Wartrace, and Shelby County.



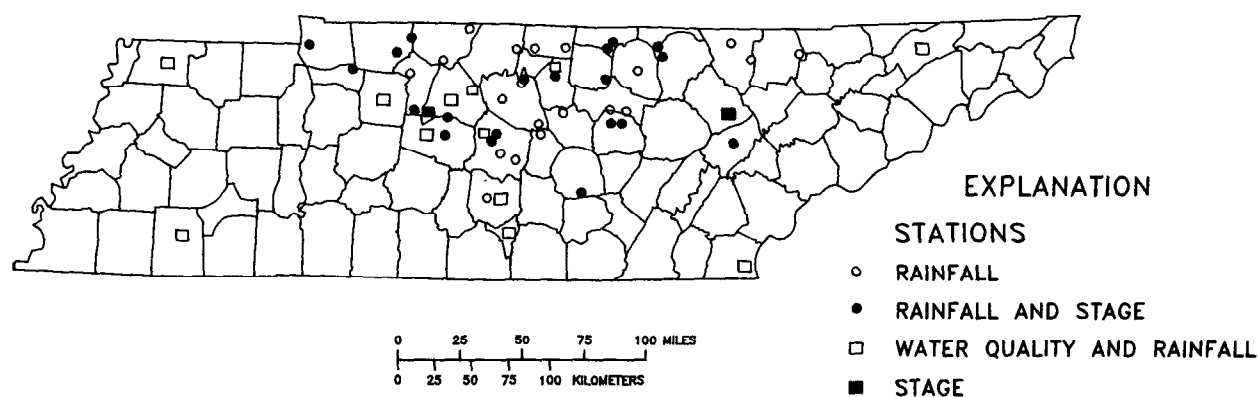
Location of streamflow stations in Tennessee.

Real-Time Data-Collection Network

The surface-water monitoring network includes about 60 real-time gaging stations that monitor streamflow, rainfall, and, at some locations, water quality and air temperature. Most of these stations are operated in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (COE), and a few stations are operated in cooperation with the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA) or with local governments.

At each of these stations, data are recorded in digital format, and at 2- or 4-hour intervals, are radioed to the Geostationary Orbiting Earth Satellite (GOES). The data are returned to ground stations in South Carolina, Mississippi, or Tennessee, as appropriate, and are transmitted to offices of the USGS, COE, or TVA where the data can be displayed on computer screens or printed in graphic and tabular format. The real-time data-collection network permits the continuous monitoring of conditions at stations many miles away.

The COE and TVA use the data for the management and operation of the reservoir systems on the Cumberland and Tennessee Rivers. The rapid transmission of data describing events taking place in the field enables quick response during extreme hydrologic conditions, such as floods and droughts. Several towns and cities in Tennessee also use real-time data to determine when streamflow is adequate to dispose of waste into the streams. The USGS uses the data to compute discharge and water-quality characteristics. Data transmitted to USGS offices are archived in computer files and included in the annual data reports.



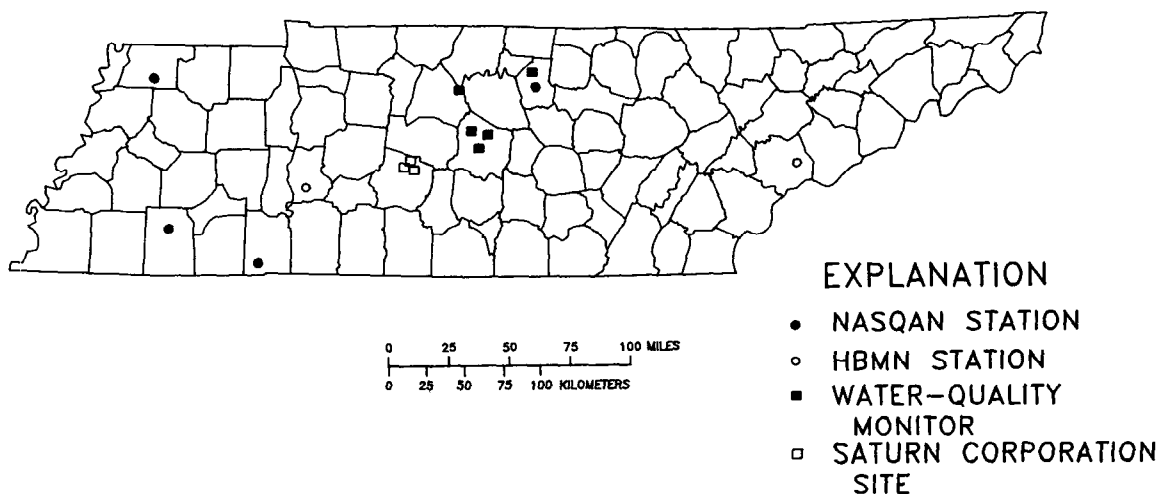
Location of network stations.

Water-Quality Network

The USGS monitors water quality at numerous surface-water stations in Tennessee. In 1994, four stations were included in the National Stream Quality Accounting Network (NASQAN). NASQAN data-collection sites are located at or near the downstream end of hydrologic accounting units. A comprehensive list of physical and chemical characteristics are measured quarterly or bimonthly to fulfill the information needs of water-resources planners and managers. Two sites within the State were part of the national Hydrologic Bench-Mark Network (HBMN) during 1994. At HBMN stations, the USGS assesses natural streamflow and water quality of river basins that are known to be minimally affected by human activity.

Water-quality monitors are operated by the USGS, in cooperation with the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, at four stations along the Cumberland River and its tributaries in Middle Tennessee. A fifth monitor is operated in cooperation with the City of Murfreesboro at a point above the wastewater treatment plant. These instruments record hourly values for water temperature and specific conductance, and in some cases, pH and dissolved-oxygen concentration.

Water quality is assessed quarterly at three stations in Maury County near the Saturn Corporation industrial facility. At these sites concentrations of suspended sediments, bacteria, organic compounds, and priority-pollutant metals are determined.



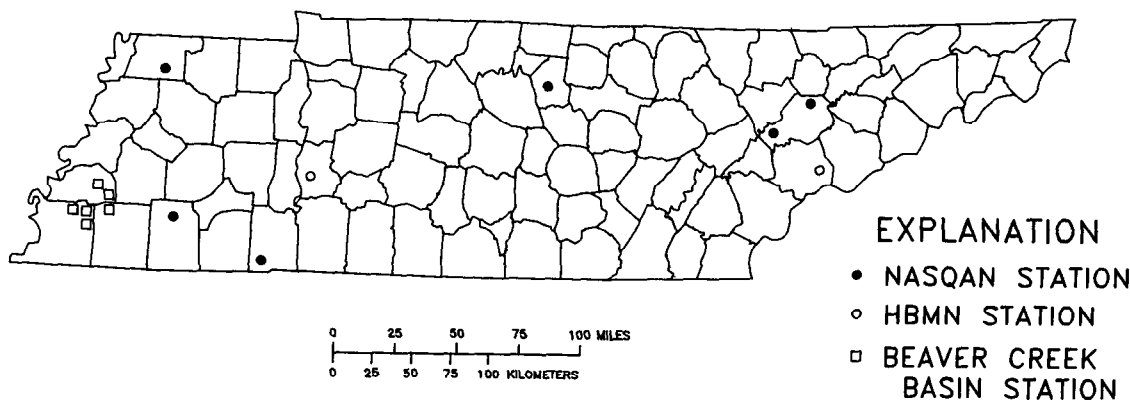
Water-quality data-collection sites in Tennessee.

Suspended-Sediment Data Collection

Sediment is considered perhaps the most important nonpoint-source pollutant in stream water. Nutrients, pesticides, metals, and other undesirable constituents are transported attached to sediment. In order to quantify nonpoint loads of pollutants, measurements of suspended- and bed-sediment loads must be made.

The USGS currently (1994) measures suspended sediment bi-monthly at four National Stream Quality Accounting Network (NASQAN) stations in Middle and West Tennessee. It also measures suspended sediment and other constituents in samples collected at two Hydrologic Bench-Mark Network (HBMN) stations, one on the Buffalo River near Flat Woods and the other on the Little River above Townsend at about monthly intervals.

In addition to these network stations, suspended sediment is also measured in some of the project-oriented studies, such as the studies of the Beaver Creek drainage basin and the Clinch-Powell Rivers.

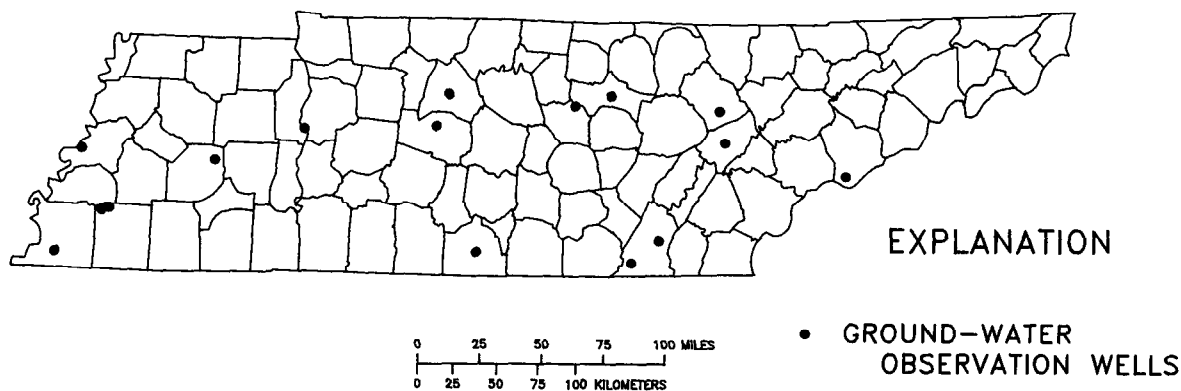


Location of suspended-sediment stations in Tennessee.

Ground-Water Level Network

The USGS measures water levels in about 30 to 35 wells throughout Tennessee to determine long-term trends and shorter term changes in depth to ground water. These wells constitute the Statewide ground-water level network. The network includes about 20 wells owned by the Memphis Gas, Light and Water Division of the city of Memphis, the single largest user of ground water in the State.

The water-level data are collected in cooperation with several Federal, State, and local agencies.



Location of observation wells in Tennessee.

Participation in the National Atmospheric Deposition Program

The USGS, Tennessee District, is sponsoring a station for the collection of data on chemical and physical properties of wet and dry deposition. The monitoring station was established in 1984 at the Hatchie National Wildlife Refuge near Brownsville, Tennessee, as part of the National Atmospheric Deposition Program. This program is assessing an environmental problem that is receiving international attention--acid rain. Each data-collection station in the program is carefully located in an area that typifies a region. The refuge site in Haywood County was selected because it is representative of the West Tennessee region and offers some protection from local unrepresentative sources of contamination that might invalidate the findings.

Samples of both wet and dry deposition are collected weekly by an observer from Brownsville, Tennessee, who also services the rain gage. After making some initial water chemistry measurements on the samples, the observer ships them to a central laboratory in Champaign, Illinois, for further chemical analyses. The USGS acts as a cooperator to the laboratory, operated by the Illinois State Water Survey.

National Baseline Network

Federal agencies coordinate their efforts for acquiring and managing water data through the Interagency Advisory Committee on Water Data (IACWD). This committee is composed of 30 major organizations representing seven departments and seven independent agencies of the Federal Government. The IACWD seeks to assure the continued availability of sufficient information about the amount and distribution of freshwater resources in the United States.

In light of a declining number of stream-gaging stations nationwide, the following steps have been proposed by the IACWD to help assure that an adequate amount of surface-water quantity information continues to be available for making decisions about the management of the Nation's water resources.

- Identify a National Baseline Network (NBN) of critical streamgaging stations needed to meet national objectives and priorities.
- Conduct a critical evaluation of alternative approaches to operating streamgaging stations that are part of the NBN.
- Develop a plan to provide staffing, funding, and other resources needed to support the proposed NBN.

The USGS Tennessee District is assisting the IACWD by coordinating the collection of surface-water gaging station information from 51 districts comprising the Water Resources Division of the USGS. The information supplied by the districts is being compiled in a digital data base that will be circulated among all the members of the IACWD for the inclusion of agency-specific information. The IACWD will use the information in this data base to identify a National Baseline Network of multi-purpose gaging stations and stations critical to missions of one or more agencies.

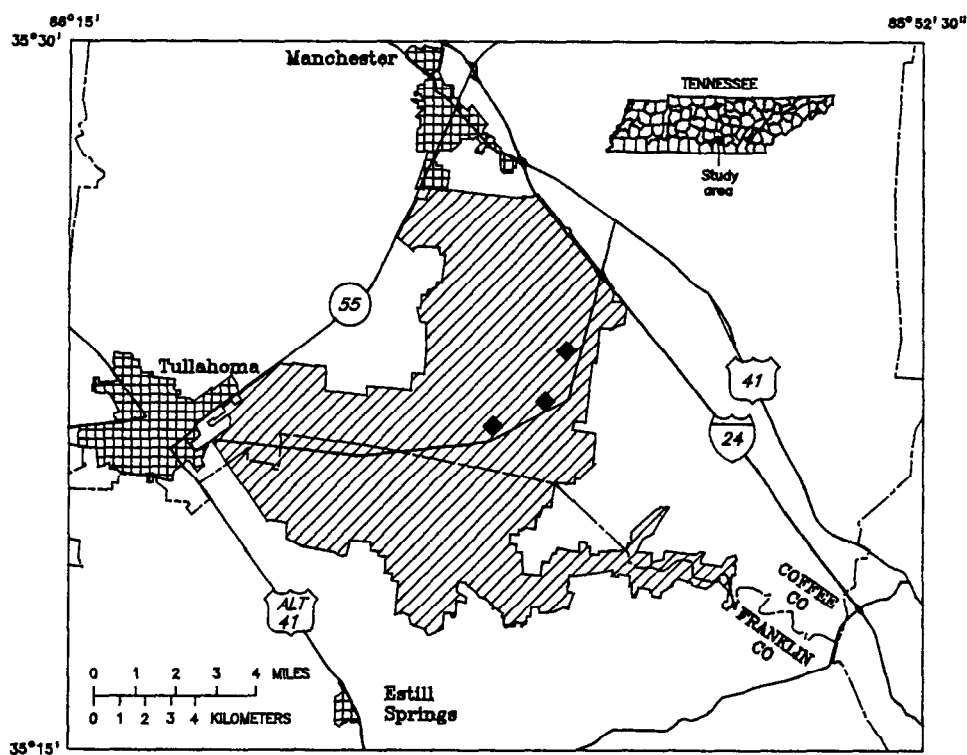
Monitoring at Arnold Engineering and Development Center for the National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System

The USGS is helping conduct a streamflow monitoring program at Arnold Air Force Base. The base is located in Coffee and Franklin Counties, near Tullahoma, in south-central Tennessee. An area of about 3,000 acres on the base known as Arnold Engineering and Development Center (AEDC) is devoted to testing and support facilities.




To comply with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency National Pollutant Discharge Elimination System, AEDC is monitoring streamflow and certain water-quality characteristics at the major outflows from the AEDC area. Three stations provide measurements of:

- Streamflow,
- Water temperature, and
- pH.

These data are transmitted by satellite to a USGS computer in Nashville from which AEDC personnel can obtain nearly real-time data by telephone linkage.



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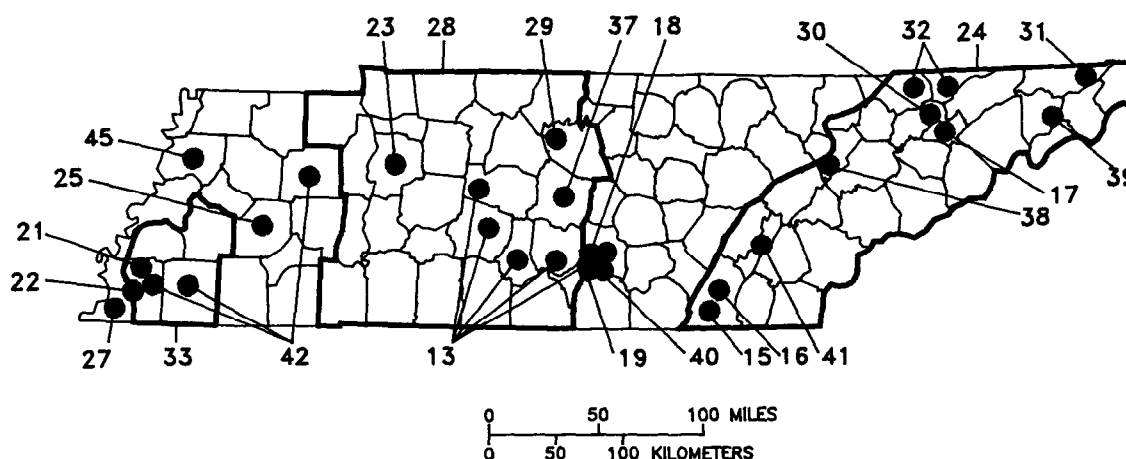
Location of monitoring sites on the Elk River.

HYDROLOGIC INVESTIGATIONS

The Water Resources Division of the USGS provides hydrologic information and understanding of the Nation's water resources. The Tennessee District is responsible for surface-water, ground-water, and quality-of-water investigations throughout the State. These investigations are conducted in cooperation with Federal, State, and local agencies to provide hydrologic data and information.

For the 3-year period 1992 through 1994, the Tennessee District was involved in hydrologic or hydrogeologic investigations. Investigations were made in most parts of the state and ranged in scope from study of small sites to study of multi-State areas. Some of the studies, such as the flood-frequency investigation and the definition of low-flow characteristics of streams, have relied heavily on the long-term record of data produced by the USGS over a period of many years. Other studies have had to generate new information in order to address the problems that the USGS has been asked to solve. The studies span a broad range in the field of hydrology. In addition to the applications of basic data, they include determining water use, ground-water availability, extent of contamination, the effect of agriculture and urban areas on water quality, potential for channel scour at bridge sites, human impact on wetland areas, and other topics.

Brief descriptions of investigations conducted in Tennessee during this 3-year period are presented in the following section of the report.



Generalized location of the principal areal investigations. Numbers refer to page in this report describing investigation.

Low-Flow and Flow-Duration Characteristics for Streams in Tennessee

Low-flow and flow-duration data are critical for the effective management and use of the surface-water resources in Tennessee. Several key regulatory programs within the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation depend on these data for day-to-day operations. For example, the 3-day 20-year recurrence low-flow interval (the "3Q20") is the statistic used for regulating discharge from wastewater treatment plants to streams and also for prohibiting pumpage by water users from streams in order that minimal flows may be maintained. City and county governments, utility districts, consulting engineers, and many others also use these data.

The USGS, in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation and the Tennessee Valley Authority, has continued a study to update the low-flow and flow-duration data for streams in Tennessee. Data were collected for three types of gaged sites: (1) long-term continuous-record sites, (2) short-term continuous-record sites, and (3) partial-record sites.

Low-flow characteristics for long-term continuous-record sites were based on the log-Pearson Type III frequency distribution, and were computed for 1, 3, 7, 14, 30, 60, and 90 consecutive days for recurrence intervals of 2, 5, 10, and 20 years. Flow-duration characteristics for long-term continuous-record stations were calculated by statistical analysis of the period-of-record daily mean flows.

For short-term continuous-record sites and partial-record sites, low-flow characteristics were estimated by correlating base-flow discharges at these sites to daily-mean discharge values at long-term continuous-record sites with similar basin characteristics. Low-flow values for the short-term continuous-record stations and partial-record stations were estimated for 1, 3, and 7 consecutive days for a recurrence interval of 10 years, and for 3 consecutive days for a recurrence interval of 20 years.

George S. Outlaw of the District office is in charge of the study.

Flood Investigations

The USGS conducts flood investigations in Tennessee in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Transportation and the Metropolitan Government of Nashville and Davidson County. A knowledge of flood-frequency characteristics of streams is essential to the design of adequate and economical bridges, culverts, embankments, dams, levees, and other stream-related structures. Information on flood magnitude and frequency also is used by city and county planners for managing development of flood plains and by insurers for establishing flood-insurance rates.

The objective of the Flood Investigations program is to better appraise and define the flood characteristics of Tennessee streams by:

- Investigating and documenting outstanding floods.
- Operating a network of about 90 crest-stage partial-record gages to provide flood data on small streams and other streams in parts of the State where data are sparse.
- Providing analytical techniques and reports as needed to further understand the flood hydrology of Tennessee.

A recently published report focused on flood frequency of streams in rural basins of the State. Several analytical reports, in addition to reports documenting outstanding floods, have been prepared within the past several years to provide information for use in the proper design of hydraulic structures within the highway system in Tennessee. Information in these reports includes:

- Methods to compute depth of floods of various recurrence intervals at ungaged sites.
- Methods to estimate an average flood hydrograph and runoff volume, in inches, for ungaged sites within the State.
- Regional flood-frequency analyses to provide peak discharges for ungaged sites for various recurrence intervals.

The areal extent of the project is statewide. The project chief is Jess D. Weaver of the District office.

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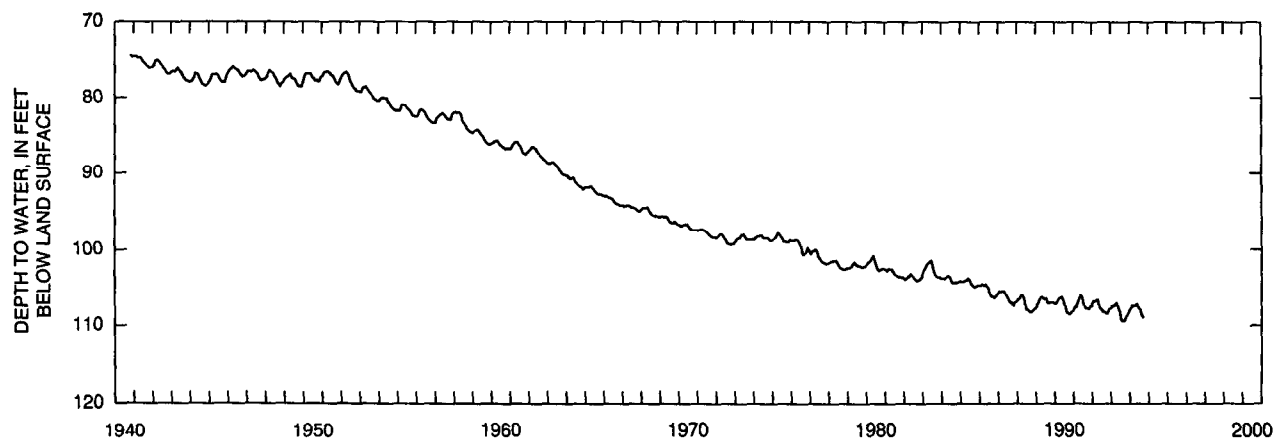
Weaver, J.D., and Gamble, C.R., 1993, Flood frequency of streams in rural basins of Tennessee: U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Investigations Report 92-4165, 38 p.

Monitoring of Depth to Water in Aquifers in the Memphis Area, Tennessee

Large amounts of water are pumped daily from wells in the metropolitan Memphis area to meet the demand for domestic, commercial, and industrial water supply. The USGS, in cooperation with the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division (MLGW) of the City of Memphis and the City of Germantown, monitors water levels in the three principal aquifers underlying this area. Water-level data are collected at an observation network consisting of 43 wells. Twelve of the wells are screened in the shallow water-table aquifer, 23 in the Memphis aquifer, and 8 in the Fort Pillow aquifer. In addition, an extensometer is maintained in the MLGW Mallory well field to measure the compaction of sediments resulting from water-level declines and the reduction of fluid pressure within the sediments.

The largest amounts of water are withdrawn from the Memphis aquifer. During fall of each year, water levels in about 40 wells in this aquifer in the Shelby County area are measured within a period of a few days to supplement data from the observation-well network and to record the extent of seasonal water-level decline. These data are tabulated for comparison with measurements from previous years to determine areas where significant changes in water levels have occurred. The data are also used in the preparation of potentiometric-surface maps, which show the areal configuration of the pressure surface in this aquifer. These maps are useful for showing the location of historical changes in the pressure surface and for identifying areas having potential for the transfer of less-desirable-quality water from the water-table aquifer to the underlying Memphis aquifer.

Annually, during times of high pumping stress, 12 wells in the Memphis aquifer are sampled for water quality. The purpose of sampling is to document present conditions and long-term changes in the quality of water in the major well fields and in the large cone of depression in the aquifer. The wells sampled include eight production wells (one in each of MLGW's major well fields), two industrial wells in outlying areas, and two wells in the City of Germantown.



Water levels in observation well Sh:Q-1.

Statewide Water-Use Program

The Tennessee Water-Use Program is conducted in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Supply. The need for detailed water-use information for Tennessee has become increasingly important. Competing demands for local sources of surface and ground water continue to increase. Detailed accounting of the rate at which water resources are being used and the locations where the demands are greatest is needed in order to develop management strategies necessary to ensure both sufficient water supply and adequate water quality. An inventory of ground-water use was conducted for Tennessee as of 1990. Data related to ground-water public-supply use were analyzed during 1993 and a report presenting the results has been prepared. Some statistics included in the report are:

- Total ground-water use by public water-supply systems increased 33 percent from 1980 to 1990 to 269 million gallons per day (Mgal/d).
- Thirty-four of the 267 systems inventoried withdrew 1 Mgal/d or more of ground water. These withdrawals accounted for 83 percent of the total ground-water withdrawals for public supply.
- Seventy-nine percent of the ground water used for public supply was withdrawn from the Tertiary sand and Cretaceous sand aquifers in western Tennessee.
- The largest ground-water withdrawals for public supply occurred in Shelby County. Withdrawals in this county alone were 154 Mgal/d, or 58 percent of the total Tennessee ground-water use.

Susan S. Hutson in the Memphis Subdistrict office is coordinator of the Tennessee Water-Use Information Program.

PUBLICATIONS

Hutson, S.S., 1991, Ground-water use by public-supply systems in Tennessee in 1988: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 91-176, 1 sheet.

Estimates of Future Demand for Selected Water-Service Areas in the Upper Duck River Basin, Middle Tennessee

Water demand in the upper Duck River basin downstream of Normandy Dam increased significantly from 1980 to 1993. Water for domestic, industrial, and commercial uses from public-supply facilities increased 21 percent from 14.5 million gallons per day (Mgal/d) in 1980 to 17.5 Mgal/d in 1993. Projected residential, industrial, and commercial developments in the basin indicate that water use will continue to increase. Considerable uncertainty exists among officials from agencies in the basin as to whether or not existing water supplies are adequate to meet additional demands. Long-term projections are needed to determine if the Duck River, the principal source of water in the basin, can supply future demands.

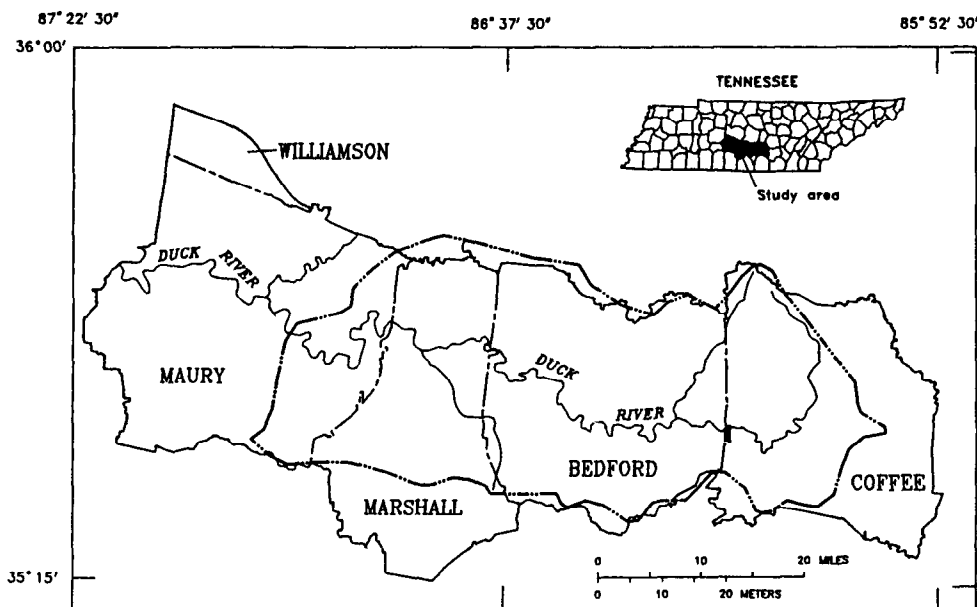
The USGS, in cooperation with the Duck River Agency, conducted an investigation in 1994 to document trends in water use and future water demand in the upper Duck River basin in Middle Tennessee. The study provided estimates of future water demands through the year 2050.

The following tasks were designed to accomplish the project objectives:

- Municipal water use was analyzed using data collected for years 1980, 1985, 1989, 1990, and 1993.
- The IWR-MAIN water-use models were calibrated for the study area using demographic and economic data for 1993. The calibrated models were used to estimate municipal water demands for years 2000 and 2015.
- Regression analysis was used to estimate the relation between population data and time. Population projections based on the log-linear type model were selected for the water-demand analysis for years 2025, 2035, and 2050.

Preliminary results indicate that for a steady growth scenario, water demand in the basin could increase 129 percent to 37 Mgal/d in year 2050; for a higher growth scenario for selected industrial and commercial sectors, water demand could increase 165 percent to 43.2 Mgal/d.

The study was conducted by Susan S. Hutson of the Memphis Subdistrict office and Gregory E. Schwarz of the USGS Headquarters office in Reston, Virginia.



Location of the upper Duck River study area.

Appalachian Valley-Piedmont Regional Aquifer-System Analysis

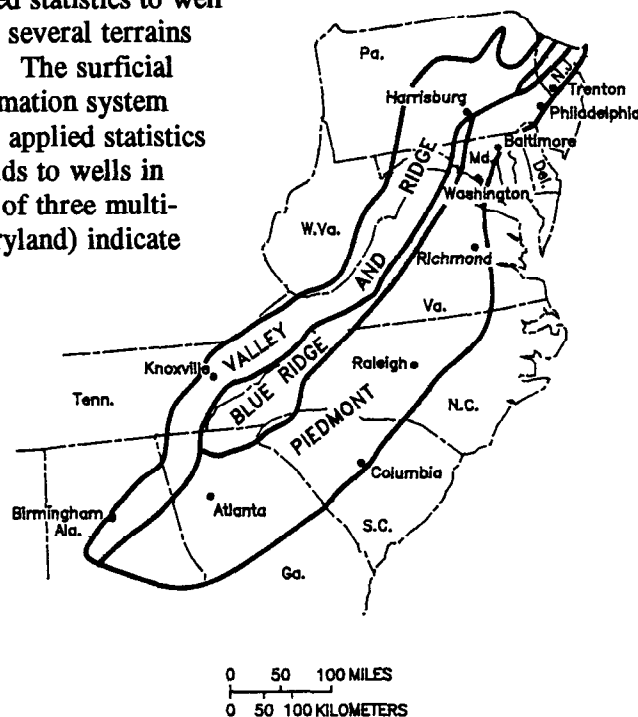
The Regional Aquifer System-Analysis Program was established (1) to define the regional geology and hydrology of the major aquifer systems throughout the United States, and (2) to establish a framework of information that can be used for regional assessments of ground water and for support of detailed local studies. The Appalachian Valley-Piedmont Regional Aquifer System is one of 28 such systems identified for study under the program. It includes the water-bearing rocks in the Valley and Ridge, Blue Ridge, and Piedmont physiographic provinces, and covers parts of eight states from New Jersey to Alabama.

The team studying the Valley and Ridge province applied statistics to well records in order to identify and categorize rock types into several terrains on the basis of similarity of hydrogeologic characteristics. The surficial extent of each terrain was mapped using geographic information system coverages derived from geologic maps. The team further applied statistics to well records to estimate median ranges in potential yields to wells in each terrain. For example, results of analysis in the first of three multi-State reporting areas (New Jersey, Pennsylvania, and Maryland) indicate that that part of the Valley and Ridge province can be divided into five hydrogeologically distinct terrains.

The middle 50-percent range in estimated potential yield to selected, non-domestic wells by terrain in this tristate region is, alluvium of glacial origin, 170 to 600 gallons per minute (gal/min); dolomite, 280 to 1,700 gal/min; limestone, 80 to 520 gal/min; clay-rich carbonate rock, 60 to 550 gal/min; and siliciclastic rock, 60 to 240 gal/min.

This analysis allows water users to seek water in the more favorable terrains and provides information on the probable range in yields to wells before drilling is attempted.

The Valley and Ridge team of the study is located at the Tennessee District office at Nashville. E.F. "Pat" Hollyday is the team leader.



Location of the Appalachian Valleys-Piedmont Regional Aquifer-System Analysis study area.

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Hydrogeology of Cave Springs Basin, near Chattanooga, Tennessee, as Part of the Appalachian Valley-Piedmont Regional Aquifer-System Analysis Study

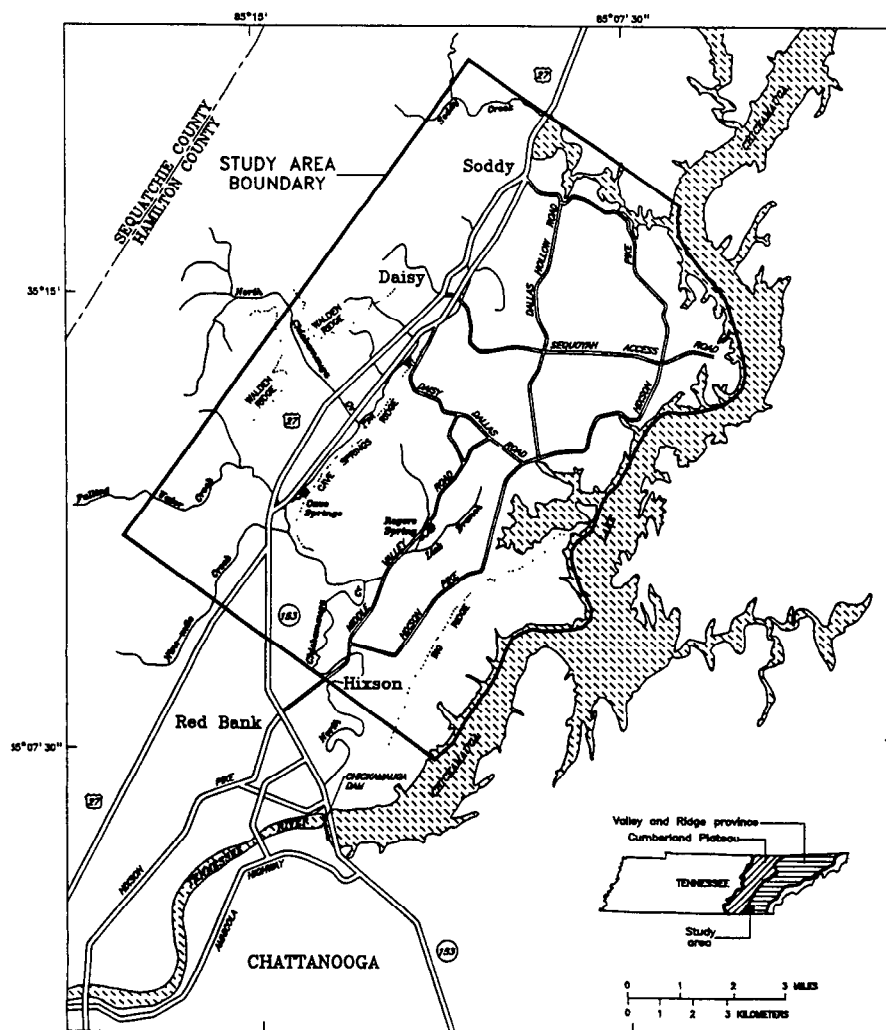
The Appalachian Valley-Piedmont Regional Aquifer-System Analysis study area is characterized by many local, discontinuous flow systems. Local systems which are representative of the region have been selected for detailed study.

The Cave Springs ground-water basin in Hamilton County near Chattanooga was chosen as a representative Valley and Ridge Province karstic spring ground-water basin. This type-area study was conducted in cooperation with the Hixson Utility District, which obtains its water from wells at Cave Springs, the second largest spring in Tennessee.

The objectives of the Cave Springs type-area study were to:

- Characterize the hydrogeologic framework of the ground-water basin;
- Determine sources of recharge to the ground-water basin and recharge areas; and
- Quantify the Cave Springs ground-water basin with regard to recharge, discharge, and water in storage.

The results of this study have transfer value to other areas in the carbonate aquifer dominated Valley and Ridge Province. The project was completed in 1993 and directed by Dianne J. Pavlicek with the assistance of Arthur D. Bradfield.



Location of study area near Hixson, Tennessee.

Ground-Water Resources of Hamilton County, Tennessee

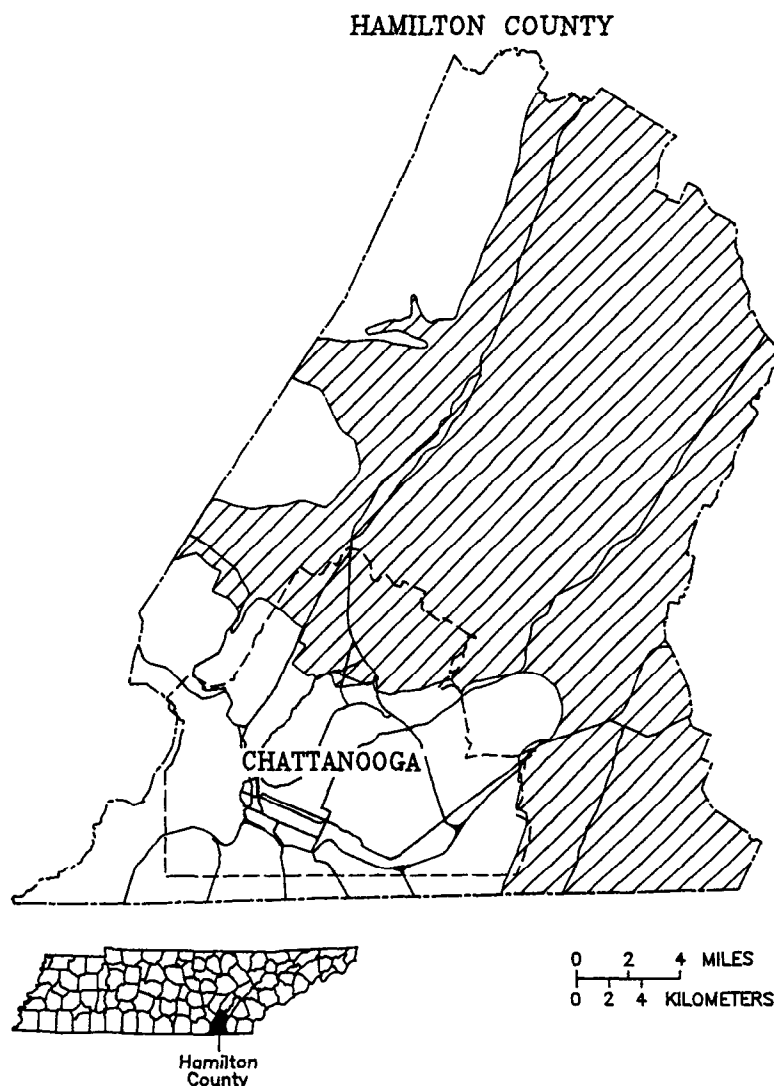
The USGS, in cooperation with the City of Chattanooga, Hamilton County, and the Hamilton County Association of Utility Districts, is conducting an investigation of the ground-water resources of Hamilton County. More than one-third of the population of Hamilton County depends on ground water for its drinking-water supply. In order to protect and maintain the high quality of ground water in the county, the Chattanooga/Hamilton County Regional Planning Commission is drafting wellhead-protection and zoning regulations for the area. The Commission needs information on recharge areas, flow directions, water quality, possible contaminant sources, and ground-water use to help formulate realistic and adequate regulations.

Towards addressing these needs, the primary objectives of the USGS study were to:

- Provide information on geology, ground-water occurrence, and water quality in Hamilton County and
- Identify recharge areas for the wells and springs used by the major utility districts in Hamilton County.

Information on area geology, sinkhole locations, well and spring locations, and water quality was collected from various sources and compiled into a geographic-information-system data base. Water-level measurements were made at 275 domestic wells to determine the approximate recharge areas for the utility districts' public supply wells and the general directions of ground-water flow. Data recorders were installed at three wells in the county to permit the continuous monitoring of water levels at those points. Data on utility district pumpage from wells, collected under the USGS's Statewide Water Use Program, provided information on ground-water use.

The study was performed under the direction of Stephanie E. Johnson of the District office.



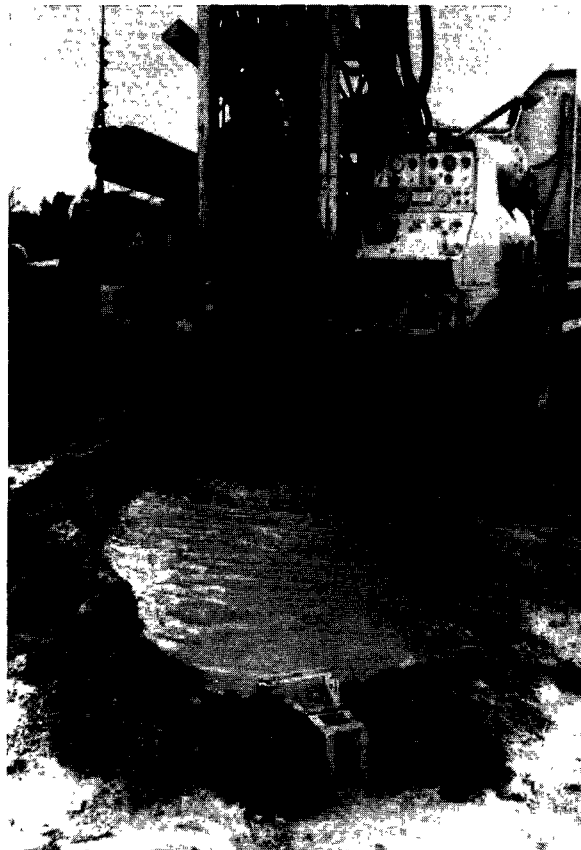
Pattern indicates area serviced by utility districts using ground water.

Ground-Water Resources of Mill Hole Spring and the Adjacent Carbonate Aquifer in the Valley and Ridge Province, East Tennessee

In cooperation with the Alpha-Talbott Utility District, the USGS conducted a study of Mill Hole Spring and the adjacent carbonate aquifer to determine their potential for additional resource development. Mill Hole Spring, in Hamblen County, is located near the upper end of a broad karst valley that has no perennial surface drainage. The spring seems to be part of a shallow, ground-water conduit system that mimics a "storm sewer" and responds quickly to rainfall. During low-flow conditions, water from the spring is fairly clear. Following precipitation, both the discharge and turbidity of water from the spring increase rapidly indicating direct connection between the spring and surface drains.

Ground-water flow in the carbonate aquifer of the karst valley is primarily through fractures and solution openings. Yields of wells completed in this aquifer vary depending on the number and size of solution openings penetrated below the water table. Fourteen wells were drilled and tested as part of this study; 4 wells are located up valley near Mill Hole Spring and 10 wells are located several miles down valley. Yields of these wells, measured during drilling, ranged from less than 1 to 220 gallons per minute (gal/min). Six of the 10 down-valley wells intersected openings in the carbonate rocks yielding 15 gal/min or more at depths from 120 to 180 feet below land surface. All 14 wells penetrated dry or mud-filled openings within 40 feet of land surface. The most productive well was pumped at 300 gal/min for more than 24 hours. This pumping resulted in a maximum drawdown of 6 feet in the pumped well and a cone of depression in the aquifer that was elongated parallel to the strike of the rock units. Test pumping indicates that deep conduits in the carbonate aquifer of this area are capable of transmitting large quantities of water to wells.

The project chief is Gregg E. Hileman of the District office.



Pumping test at Mill Hole Spring, East Tennessee.

Hydrogeology of the Cascade Springs Area, Tennessee

Cascade Springs discharge from the Highland Rim escarpment in western Coffee County, Tennessee. Left Cascade Spring provides the sole source of water for the Wartrace Water System, supplying over 0.5 million gallons of water per day to the town of Wartrace and to a local whiskey distillery. Little was known about the area of recharge to the spring, the aquifer characteristics, or the water quality. A recent water-quality analysis of left Cascade Spring raised concerns about possible nonpoint-source pollution after low concentrations of two volatile organic compounds were detected.

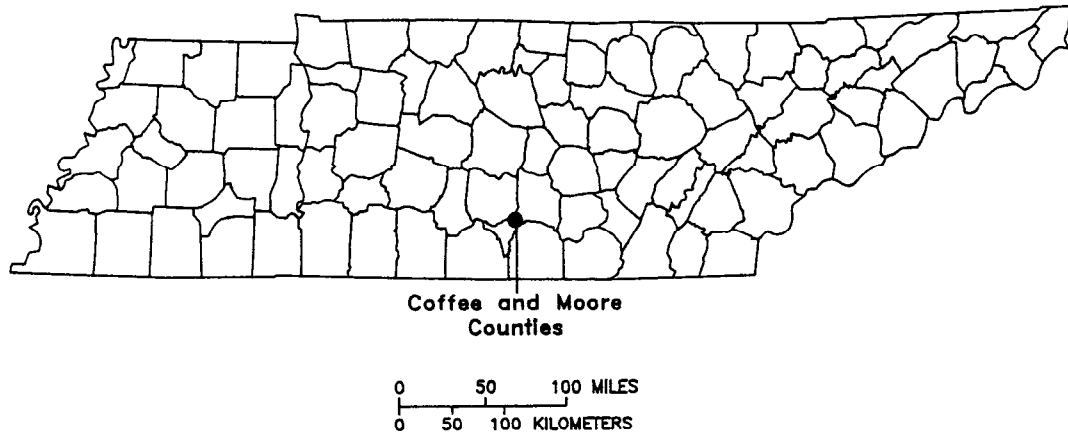
To address these concerns, the USGS, in cooperation with the town of Wartrace, conducted a hydrogeologic investigation of the Cascade Springs area from September 1991 to May 1992. The objectives of the investigation were to:

- Identify the area of recharge to Cascade Springs,
- Describe the hydrogeology of the recharge area, and
- Describe the water quality of Cascade Springs using available data.

Hydrogeologic data collected in support of this study included water-level measurements made at 41 domestic wells. Natural gamma and caliper geophysical logs also were made at three domestic wells.

The water-level data collected indicate that the primary recharge area for Cascade Springs is located southeast of the springs. The boundary of the recharge area cannot be fully delineated, however, because few wells are located south of Cascade Springs.

The project chief was Stephanie E. Johnson of the District office.



Location of Cascade Springs.

Study of the Hydrogeology near the J4 Test Cell at the Arnold Air Force Base, Tennessee

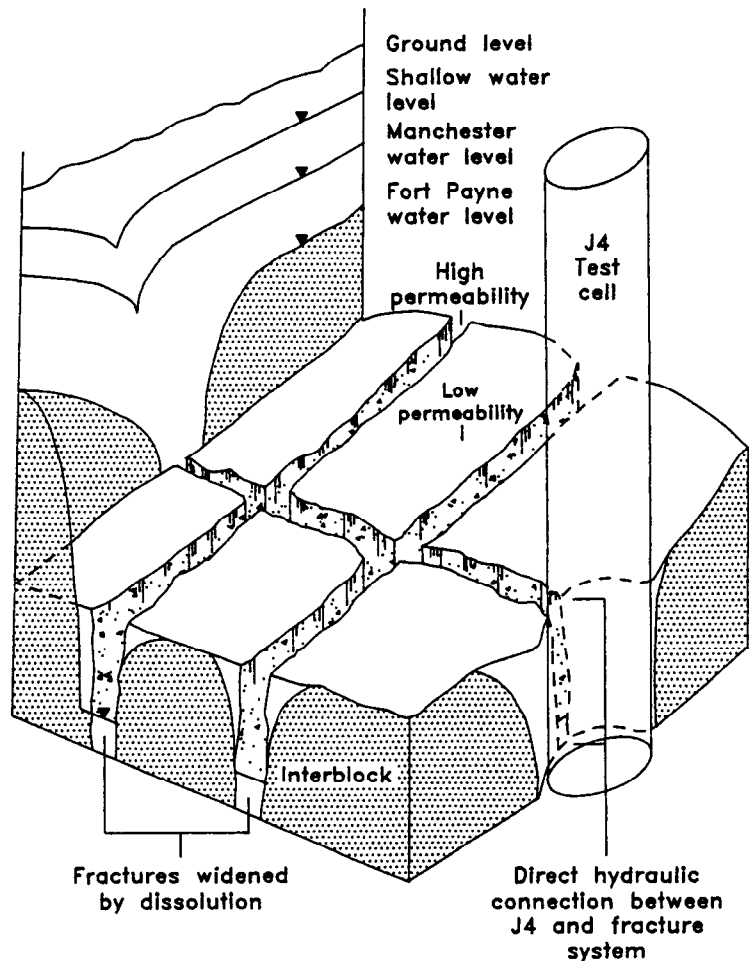
As part of a study of the hydrogeology of Arnold Air Force Base, near Manchester, Tennessee, the USGS is investigating the hydrologic effects of dewatering aquifers at the J4 rocket test cell. The J4 test cell, constructed in the early 1960's to support testing of rocket motors, is about 100 feet in diameter and about 250 feet deep. It penetrates three water-bearing units of carbonate origin (the shallow aquifer, the Manchester aquifer, and the Fort Payne aquifer), the Chattanooga Shale, and ends in a lower carbonate unit. The deep hole causes water to drain from the upper carbonate units to a sump at the bottom of the hole from which the water is pumped to land surface. The continual draining of the units above the Chattanooga Shale has caused water levels in them to decline, although the exact shape and extent of the cone of depression cannot be adequately defined with existing wells. In addition, organic contaminants have been detected in the pumpage from the test cell. Water containing these contaminants has been induced to move from nearby sites towards the test cell. The study is being conducted in cooperation with the U.S. Air Force at Arnold Air Force Base.

The objectives of the investigation are to:

- Describe the hydrogeology around the J4 test cell,
- Define in each unit the extent of the cone of depression from dewatering the aquifers at the test cell, and
- Determine if contaminants are being transported from the shallow aquifers above the Chattanooga Shale to the deeper aquifer below.

In 1994, 27 new wells were installed and data were collected. The data include analyses of ground-water samples for major constituents, trace metals, and volatile organic compounds; borehole geophysical logs; surface geophysical data; and continuous ground-water level measurements at about 10 wells.

Connor J. Haugh of the District office is the project chief.



Hypothesis of secondary permeability in the Manchester aquifer and the effects of dewatering at the J4 test cell on water levels in the shallow, Manchester, and Fort Payne aquifers at Arnold Air Force Base.

Hydrogeologic Investigation of the Fort Campbell Military Reservation, Kentucky

The USGS in cooperation with the U.S. Army at Fort Campbell, Directorate of Public Works, Environmental Division is conducting an investigation of the hydrogeology of the Fort Campbell Military Reservation and adjacent parts of Christian and Trigg Counties, Kentucky; and Montgomery and Stewart Counties, Tennessee. The broad objective of the study is to better understand the occurrence and movement of ground water in the Fort Campbell area. A specific objective is to delineate the recharge area of Boiling Spring. Fort Campbell pumps approximately 6 million gallons of water per day from Boiling Spring, the primary source of drinking water for the Reservation. Developing an understanding of the source and recharge area of ground water pumped from Boiling Spring will allow Reservation officials to manage and protect the water supply from potential sources of pollution.

The hydrologic investigation at Fort Campbell involves a multidisciplinary approach. Major components of the investigation include:

- Well construction
- Dye-trace studies
- Ground-water level measurements
- Geophysical studies
- Stream discharge measurements
- Water chemistry analyses.

Notable findings of the investigation include the existence of deep, water-bearing openings in rock beneath the alluviated valley near Boiling Spring, and the direct hydraulic connection between surface streams and Boiling Spring. Well drilling identified the existence of the deep, water-bearing openings in bedrock. Five wells drilled into bedrock beneath the alluviated valley near Boiling Spring intercepted water-bearing openings at depths greater than 100 feet below land surface and had yields exceeding 35 gallons per minute. At four of these wells, yields from these deep openings exceeded 200 gallons per minute.

Dye-trace studies and discharge measurements verified the hydraulic connection between surface streams and Boiling Spring during low baseflow conditions. Dye placed in a stream reach adjacent to Boiling Spring was detected less than 2 hours later in water pumped from the spring. Simultaneous discharge measurements in the stream reach confirmed infiltration of surface water into the ground near Boiling Spring.

The multidisciplinary approach of this investigation involves the efforts of several hydrologists and hydrologic technicians from both the Tennessee and Kentucky offices of the USGS. Gregg Hileman, hydrologist from the Nashville office, is project chief. Chuck Taylor, hydrologist from the Louisville office, is responsible for the dye-trace component of the investigation. Data collection is scheduled for completion in the summer of 1995.

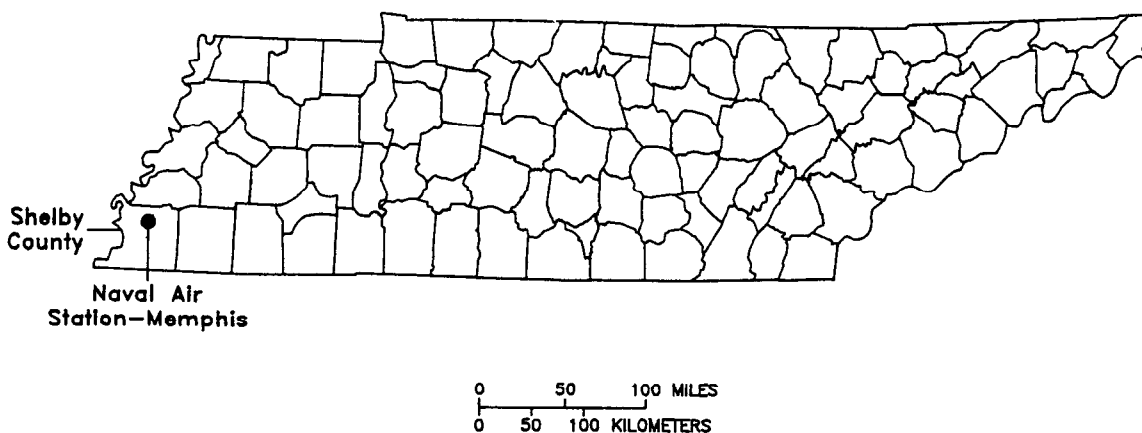
Investigation of the Hydrogeology of the Naval Air Station-Memphis near Millington in Shelby County, Tennessee

The USGS, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of the Navy, Southern Division Naval Facility Engineering Command (SOUTHDIV), Charleston, South Carolina, is providing technical assistance in hydrogeologic investigations under the Navy's Corrective Action Program at the Naval Air Station (NAS) Memphis near Millington in Shelby County, Tennessee. The project currently has two components. The first and highest priority component focuses on investigations within the NAS Memphis North Complex, which is scheduled to close and begin being reaccessed by the City of Millington in 1995 under the Base Realignment and Closure Act of 1990. The second component focuses on the NAS Memphis South Complex, which will be retained by the Navy, but will undergo realignment from a training facility to the headquarters for the Navy's Bureau of Personnel. The objectives of the USGS investigation are to:

- Prepare reports that describe the general hydrogeology of the area,
- Assist in the preparation and review of work plans and final reports that describe planned and completed field work, respectively, and
- Conduct Resource Conservation Recovery Act Facility Investigations at several Solid Waste Management Units (SWMU) to determine the possible occurrence and extent of contamination of soil, sediment, and ground water.

As part of the work performed at the NAS Memphis, the USGS has conducted soil-gas and surface-geophysical investigations at several of the SWMU's and has provided technical oversight of contractors in the use of Direct Push Technology and installation of stratigraphic test holes and monitoring wells by Rotasonic and other more-conventional drilling techniques. The USGS also has analyzed ground-water samples for tritium as an aid in determining the contamination potential of the Memphis aquifer which supplies some of the water used by the NAS Memphis and the City of Millington. Other investigative techniques that are planned include ground-water-level monitoring, borehole geophysics, additional surface geophysics, and aquifer testing. The USGS also has developed a series of modular computer programs linking various geographic-information-system coverages.

The computer programs are designed to simulate the ground-water flow system. The USGS-led parts of the investigations are under the direction of John K. Carmichael of the District office.



Location of the Naval Air Station-Memphis in Shelby County, Tennessee.

Potential for Interaquifer Leakage in the Memphis Area, Tennessee

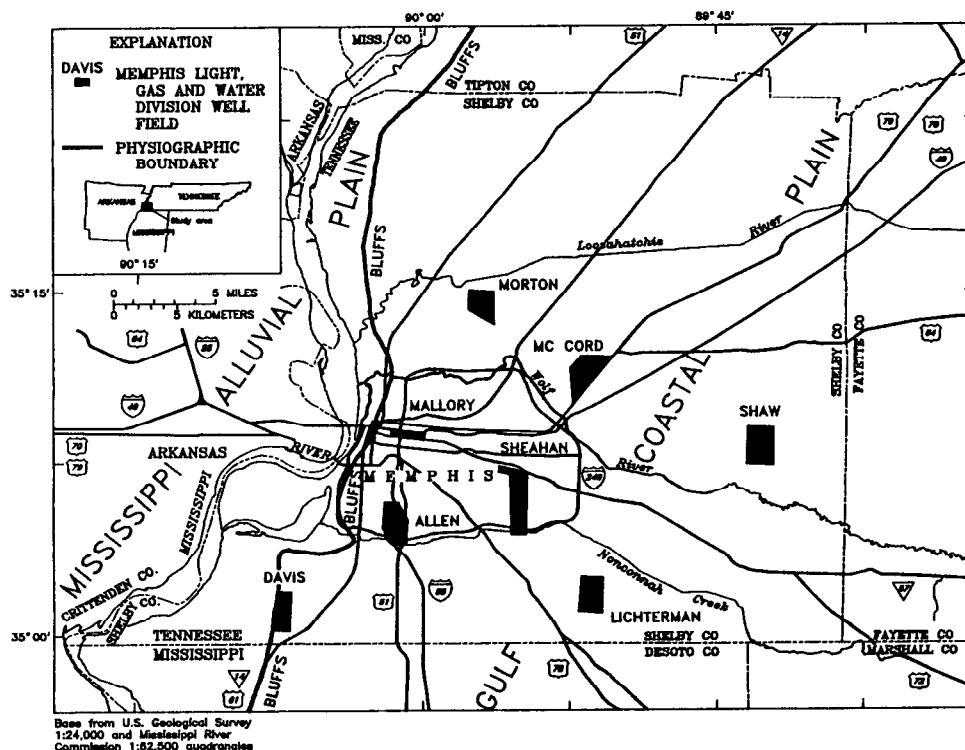
The USGS, in cooperation with the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division of the City of Memphis, conducted a hydrogeologic investigation of the greater Memphis area from 1990 to 1992. The study focused on the hydrogeology and geologic structure of two principal aquifers underlying a 1,500-square-mile area in southwesternmost Tennessee and adjacent areas of Arkansas and Mississippi. The study was conducted in response to concerns that contaminants at or near land surface could be transported downward in water to degrade water in the Memphis aquifer, the principal source of public water supply for the Memphis area.

Detailed study was made of the Memphis Sand and Fort Pillow Sand, which represent the Memphis aquifer and Fort Pillow aquifer, respectively. Both formations are composed primarily of sand. More than 500 geophysical logs of wells were examined to make stratigraphic correlations of the formations underlying the area and to prepare structure-contour maps and geologic sections. Structure-contour maps and geologic sections show that the strata are broken by many faults with vertical displacements ranging from about 50 to 150 feet. In areas where the characteristic clay deposit between the surface aquifers and the Memphis aquifer is thin, upward displacement of fault blocks may have enhanced erosion of parts of the clay deposit, resulting in the formation of "windows" in the clay. The windows are areas where downward leakage of water from the water-table aquifers to the Memphis aquifer can occur.

The investigation was conducted by James A. Kingsbury and William S. Parks of the Memphis Subdistrict office.

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Kingsbury, J.A., and Parks, W.S., 1993, Hydrogeology of the principal aquifers and relation of faults to interaquifer leakage in this Memphis area, Tennessee: U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Investigations Report 93-4075, 18 p.



Location of the study area.

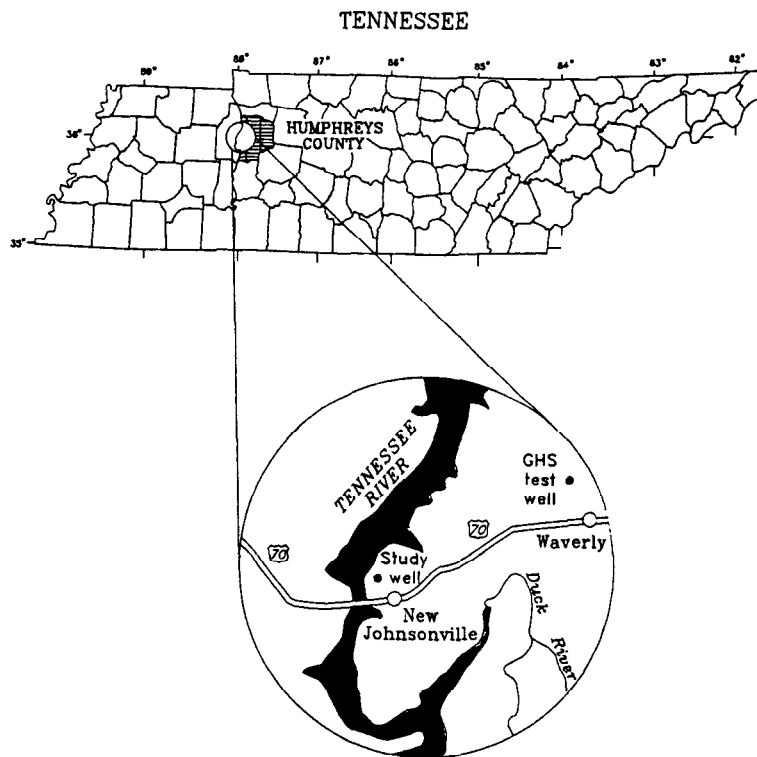
Geology and Hydrology of Deeper Rocks in West-Central Tennessee

Relatively few wells in west-central Tennessee have been drilled to depths greater than a few hundred feet; consequently, the geologic and hydrologic characteristics of the deeper rock in the region are known for the most part in general terms only. Recently, a study well was completed at a depth of 8,765 feet at the E.I. du Pont de Nemours & Company (Du Pont) titanium-dioxide processing plant in New Johnsonville, Humphreys County. The well fully penetrated the strata of sedimentary origin and terminated in basement rock of igneous origin. The purpose of the well was to provide geologic and hydraulic information about the deeper formations underlying the plant, particularly those formations below a depth of 3,000 feet.

Study of the strata by Du Pont and its contractors yielded considerable information useful for refining knowledge of the geology of this area, and is complementary to on-going studies of the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) in the region. To provide earth-science information of public interest, Humphreys County, in cooperation with the USGS, published an atlas summarizing the significant geologic and hydraulic findings of the study. An atlas was compiled by both Du Pont and USGS personnel from information contained in an unpublished site report provided by DuPont.

Some of the findings of the study are:

- The well penetrated 32 named stratigraphic units between land surface and the top of basement rock.
- The interval from 769 feet deep (the top of the interval studied) to 7,342 feet deep consists primarily of limestone and dolomite.
- Sandstone predominates from 7,342 to 7,513 feet deep.
- Basement rock consists of interlayered felsic tuff and diabase gabbro (7,513 to 8,227 feet deep), followed by gabbro (8,227 feet to terminal depth of 8,765 feet).
- No fractures were identified above the Wells Creek Formation (top, 1,582 feet deep); a few fractures were identified in that unit, and numerous fractures were identified in underlying formations.
- The two most permeable formations in the column are the Mascot Dolomite (1,927 to 3,093 feet deep) and the Copper Ridge Dolomite (4,057 to 5,409 feet deep).



Location of the New Johnsonville-site study well.

David Webster of the District office represented the USGS in the effort.

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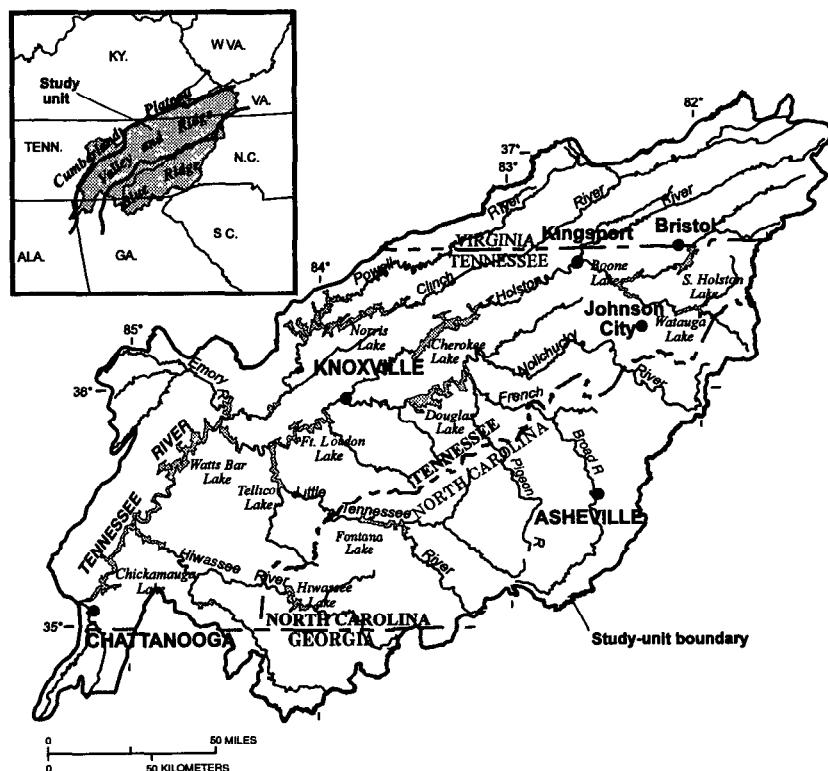
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Upper Tennessee River Basin Study Unit of the National Water-Quality Assessment Program

The National Water Quality Assessment (NAWQA) Program was established to (1) describe, in a nationally consistent manner, the status of and trends in the quality of a large, representative part of the Nation's surface- and ground-water resources and to (2) provide a sound, scientific understanding of the principal natural and human-related factors affecting the quality of these resources. The program is expected to produce water-quality information needed by policy makers and water managers at State, Federal, and local levels.

The upper Tennessee River basin study unit is one of 60 such study units in the Nation. It encompasses the Tennessee River drainage basin upstream of Chattanooga, and includes parts of Tennessee, North Carolina, Virginia, and Georgia. This study unit began assessment activities in 1994. Activities have included many meetings with public and private agencies to discuss and coordinate the NAWQA program. These meetings have resulted in an identification and prioritization of several water-quality issues of regional and local interest, a determination of sources of water-quality data and other information, and assistance in the design and scope of project elements.

The study, under the direction of Paul S. Hampson of the Knoxville office, is scheduled to continue for several years.



Location of the upper Tennessee River basin NAWQA study unit.

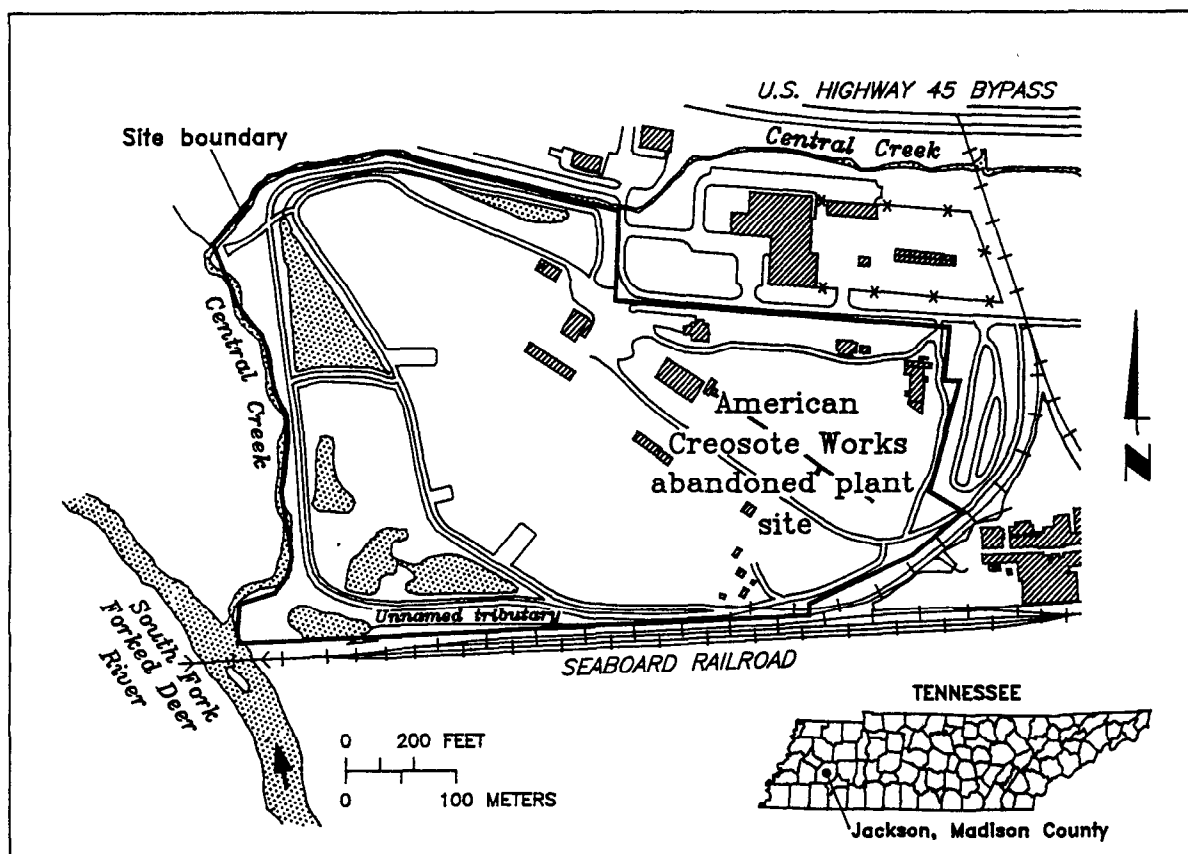
Effects of Contaminants from an Abandoned Wood-Preserving Plant site on the Quality of Ground Water and Surface Water at Jackson, Tennessee

The USGS, in cooperation with the North Superfund Remedial Branch, Waste Management Division of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), Region IV, conducted an investigation to determine the effects of contaminants from the American Creosote Works, Inc. abandoned plant site at Jackson, Tennessee, upon the water resources of the surrounding area. This facility, used for impregnating wood with preservatives, was operated for about 50 years and was closed in 1981. Operations at the plant site resulted in the soils, ground water, and nearby streams becoming contaminated with significant levels of wood-preserving chemicals. In 1984, the site was designated a Superfund site by the USEPA and placed on the National Priorities List.

The objectives of the investigation were to determine and document toxicological effects of the spills and leakages on nearby streams, to identify and delineate the extent of off-site contaminants in ground water, and to assess the potential for transport of contaminants now in ground water to wells used for water supply within a 2-mile radius of the site.

The study was completed in 1993, and results have been published in four reports. Some of the highlights are:

- A small creek along the western site boundary contained pentachlorophenol, a wood preservative, in concentrations greater than Tennessee's criterion maximum for fish and aquatic life, and naphthalene, the most abundant single constituent of coal tar used in creosote.
- Fish from the creek contained small concentrations of creosote,



Base modified from S&ME, Inc., 1989.

Location of abandoned wood-preserving plant at Jackson, Tennessee.

- The bottom sediment of both the creek and the receiving stream (the North Fork Forked Deer River) contained large concentrations of numerous organic chemicals associated with past plant operations. Elutriates of the sediment were slightly to highly toxic to various aquatic test organisms.
- Direct Push Technology was evaluated and found successful as a method for obtaining lithologic data and ground-water samples.
- Gas chromatography with photo-ionization detection and high-performance liquid chromatography proved to be more effective for detecting creosote components, pentachlorophenol, and other organic compounds than the CHEMetrics phenol method of analysis or microtox toxicity bioassays.
- Most of the organic-compound contaminants detected in ground water were in samples from wells tapping the shallow aquifer. Concentrations were below the State's primary contaminant levels for drinking water.
- Low concentrations of six organic compounds were detected in wells screened in the deeper aquifer, including wells operated by the city of Jackson, but compounds that commonly characterize contamination from wood-preserving processes were not detected. This implies that the compounds identified were from a source other than the abandoned plant.

This investigation was under the direction of William S. Parks of the Memphis Subdistrict office and John K. Carmichael of the District office.

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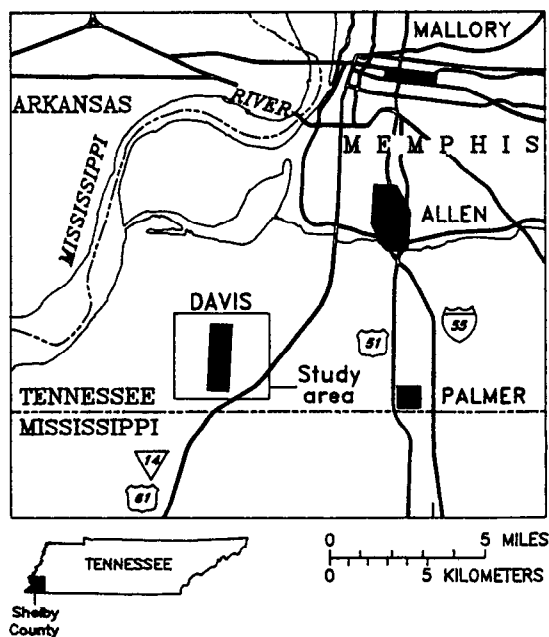
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Investigation of Water-Quality Changes at Davis Well Field in Memphis, Tennessee

In cooperation with the Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division (MLGW) and Memphis State University (the University of Memphis since July 1994), the USGS conducted an investigation of the water-quality changes at the Davis well field. Significant water-quality changes have taken place in the wells screened in the Memphis aquifer at the Davis well field located in southwest Memphis, where withdrawals began in 1971. The largest changes have been increases in alkalinity and hardness, which occurred at five wells on the western margin of the well field. The objectives of the investigation were to characterize the water quality in the three hydrogeologic units (the alluvium, fluvial deposits, and Memphis Sand) at the Davis well field and to determine the source of the water causing the changes in water quality.

The investigation was conducted from 1992-94. The water quality of each aquifer was characterized by analyzing water samples from many wells, 12 of which were constructed for this study. The source of water causing changes in water quality was determined by observations noted during drilling, analysis of geophysical logs of wells, chemical data, and a computer model of the geochemistry of the aquifer system. Drilling observations and geophysical logs indicated that the protective clay deposit between the water-table aquifers and the Memphis aquifer is absent at some of the wells drilled. A comparison of constituents, including isotopes of hydrogen and carbon, in water samples from the water-table and the Memphis aquifers indicated that younger, more mineralized water in the Mississippi River Valley alluvial aquifer is flowing downward to the Memphis aquifer. A computer simulation showing the effects of mixing water from the two aquifers indicated that water from the well most affected by water-quality changes represented a mixture of about 3 to 18 percent alluvial aquifer water and 97 to 82 percent Memphis aquifer water.

The investigation was completed in 1994. It was under the direction of William S. Parks of the Memphis Subdistrict office.



Location of study area.

Ground-Water Quality of the Upper Knox Aquifer, Middle Tennessee

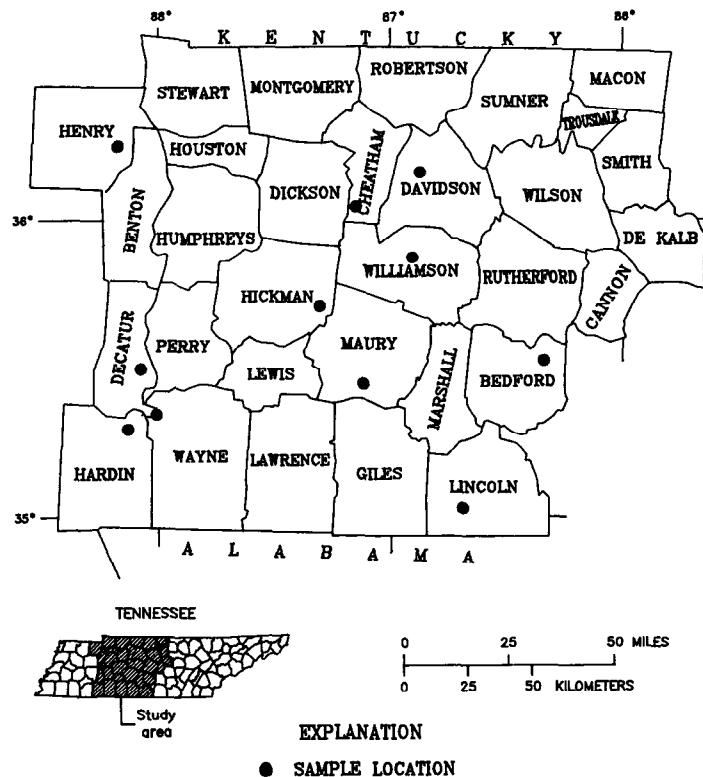
The upper Knox aquifer in Middle Tennessee consists of a paleokarst system that occurs in the upper 200 to 300 feet of the Mascot Dolomite of the Knox Group. Water from the upper Knox aquifer in parts of Middle Tennessee is used for rural, domestic supply. An investigation was conducted by the USGS in cooperation with Humphreys County to determine recharge and discharge areas and to evaluate the water quality of this aquifer, using historical data and water samples collected from about 10 wells throughout Middle Tennessee. These water samples were analyzed for major constituents and trace metals, and for carbon-14 and chlorine-36 to determine the apparent age of the ground water.

Based on the chemical data, it appears that most recharge to the upper Knox aquifer occurs in the Central Basin. The ground water reacts with the aquifer matrix to become more mineralized along flow paths. Regional ground-water flow appears to be primarily to the west.

In the recharge areas, ground water in the upper Knox aquifer is primarily of the calcium sulfate bicarbonate type and typically has less than 1,000 milligrams per liter dissolved solids. The dissolved-solids concentration increases and the water type changes toward the west. West of the Tennessee River, water from the upper Knox aquifer in Henry County is a sodium bicarbonate type with more than 5,000 milligrams per liter dissolved solids.

In the southwestern Highland Rim, the quality of water from the upper Knox aquifer remains similar to that in the recharge area. This might indicate that water flows more rapidly to discharge points which could be near the Tennessee River.

The investigation was conducted under the direction of Michael W. Bradley of the District office.



Location of study area.

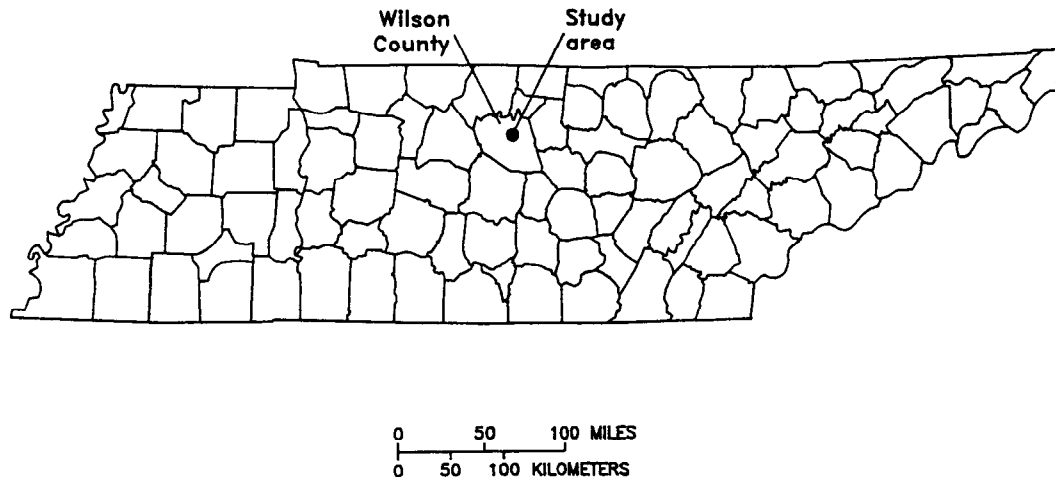
Occurrence of Bacteria in Ground Water near Lebanon, Tennessee

The USGS, at the request of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, investigated the possible occurrence of bacteria in ground water near the Cedars of Lebanon State Park in Lebanon, Tennessee. The study area is underlain by a karst limestone aquifer that has numerous caves and sinkholes. Water samples were collected from six sites in June 1992 and analyzed for total coliform, fecal coliform, and fecal streptococci bacteria.

A background water sample was collected from a local supply well that obtains water from solution openings in the limestone aquifer. The water sample from this site contained 350 colonies per 100 milliliters (cols./mL) total coliform, 45 cols./100 mL fecal coliform, and 64 cols./100 mL fecal streptococci bacteria. Other water samples were collected from a small seep, streams within two cave systems, and a local pond.

Samples from two tributary streams in one of the caves also contained bacteria. Separate streams occurred in two branches of this cave system. The water sample collected from one branch contained 48 cols./100 mL total coliform, about 6 cols./100 mL fecal coliform, and about 9 cols./100 mL fecal streptococci bacteria. The water sample collected from the second branch contained 4,900 cols./100 mL total coliform, about 270 cols./100 mL fecal coliform, and 50 cols./100 mL streptococci bacteria.

Michael W. Bennett of the Nashville Subdistrict office was in charge of field operations.



Location of study area in Wilson County, Tennessee.

Quality of Ground Water in Grainger County, Tennessee

Ground water is the principal source of domestic water supply for about 75 percent of the residents of Grainger County and is an important source of irrigation water supply for vegetable producers in the county. To address concerns about ground-water quality, the USGS, in cooperation with Grainger County, collected and analyzed water samples from 35 wells during summer 1992. The primary objective was to determine whether pesticides, certain metals, nitrogen (from septic-tank effluent, animal waste, and fertilizers), and bacteria were present in ground water at concentrations sufficient to warrant concern.

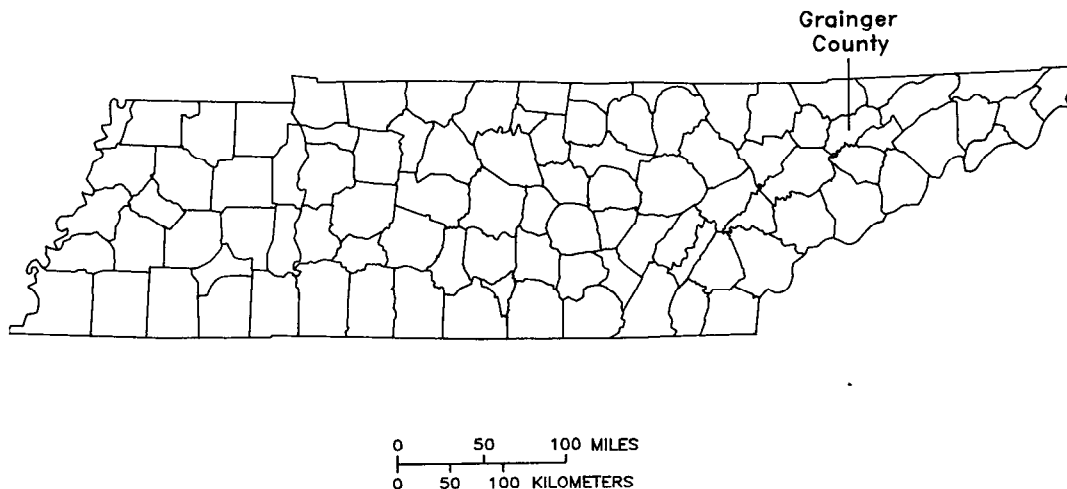
Analyses of samples from the 35 wells showed that:

- No organic pesticides were detected at concentrations greater than the State's primary maximum contaminant level for public water-supply systems.
- Iron concentrations exceeded the State's secondary maximum contaminant level in samples from six wells; manganese concentrations exceeded that threshold in samples from seven wells.
- Nitrite and nitrate concentrations were less than the primary maximum contaminant levels in samples from all wells.
- Fecal coliform bacteria colonies exceeded the State's maximum contaminant level in samples from 15 wells. The geographic distribution of these samples did not indicate clustering in any specific area.
- Methylene blue, a compound found in many household soaps and detergents, was detected in trace amounts in 23 wells.

Jess D. Weaver of the District office was in charge of the investigation.

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Location of study area in Grainger County, Tennessee.

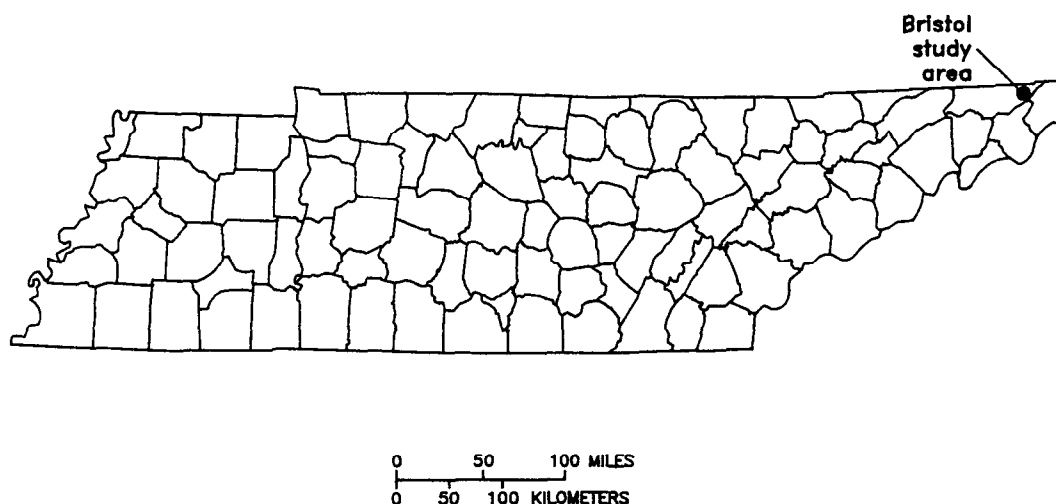
Water Quality of an Intermittent Stream near Bristol, Tennessee

The USGS, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of the Navy, has investigated the water quality of an intermittent stream draining a small disposal area at a Naval Weapons Industrial Reserve Plant (NWIRP) in Bristol, Tennessee. The NWIRP-Bristol has been in operation since 1954. The purpose of this investigation was to document the water quality of the stream draining the disposal area during low-flow conditions and following storms both before and after remedial measures at the disposal area were implemented.

Four surface-water sites were selected for sampling locations. Two are background sites located on small streams with a drainage area and geologic setting similar to that of the disposal-area stream. Water quality of these two streams is unaffected by industrial or other anthropogenic factors and is representative of the ambient surface-water quality in the Bristol area. The other two sites are located at the disposal area. One site is upstream and the second site is downstream of the disposal area.

Sampling was initiated in 1992 and continued through 1994 under various flow conditions. The samples were analyzed for major constituents, trace metals, volatile organic compounds, semivolatile organic compounds, and pesticides.

Jess D. Weaver of the District office coordinated the sampling efforts.



Location of the Bristol, Tennessee, study area.

Water-Quality Variability in the Clinch-Powell Rivers in East Tennessee

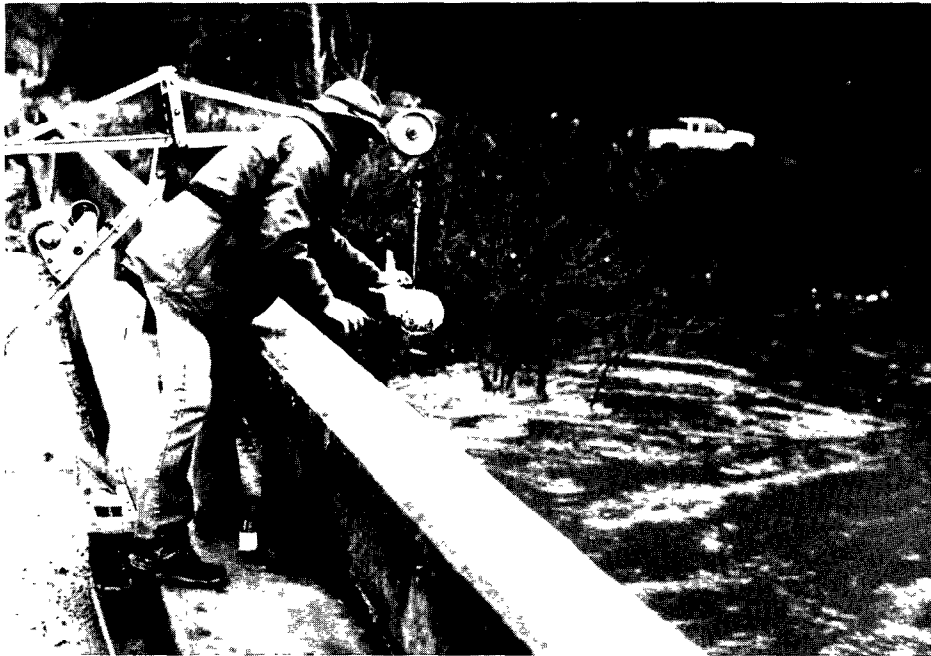
The USGS, in cooperation with the Tennessee State Planning Office, has conducted a reconnaissance investigation to define water-quality variability of the Clinch and Powell Rivers in East Tennessee. The quality of water in these rivers may be threatened by acid mine drainage, nutrients from agricultural runoff and waste-water discharge, and sediment from accelerated erosion of disturbed land. There also is evidence that the mussel population of these rivers has been in decline over the past decade, which might be due to deteriorating water quality or to other factors.

The objectives of the project were to collect water-quality and suspended-sediment data over a range of flow conditions. The project was designed to:

- Define the variability in concentrations of suspended sediment, bacteria, nutrients, common ions, selected trace metals, and to make field determinations of specific conductance, pH, and dissolved oxygen for a range of water-discharge conditions, particularly during periods of high flow; and
- Estimate annual loadings of suspended sediment, nutrients, and other constituents in the two basins.

Several sets of samples have been collected under variable flow conditions at two sites near the Tennessee-Virginia State line. Preliminary results indicate that the suspended-sediment concentration and bacterial content of the water are highest during periods of stormflow.

The project is directed by Jess D. Weaver of the District office.



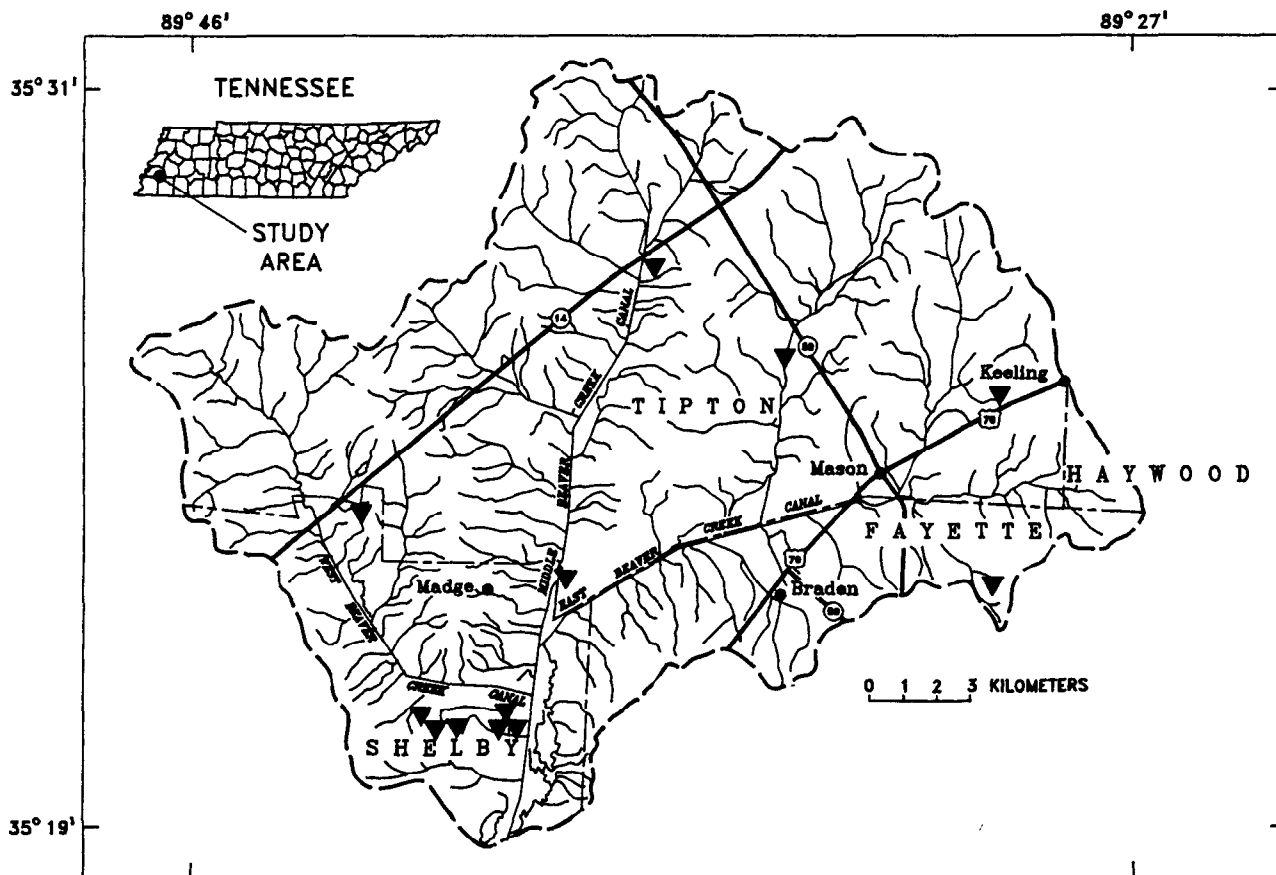
Suspended-sediment sample collection from the Powell River at Alanthus Hill, Tennessee.

Evaluation of Agricultural Nonpoint-Source Pollution in the Beaver Creek Drainage Basin, West Tennessee

Agricultural activities are recognized as a major cause of nonpoint-source pollution. In 1990, the USGS began a comprehensive long-term research program to assess the effect of agricultural practices in the Beaver Creek watershed, West Tennessee, on the quality of both surface water and ground water. This watershed was selected as typical of many in the mid-South region. The program is being conducted in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Agriculture, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Soil Conservation Service (now Natural Resources Conservation Service), Tennessee Association of Soil Conservation Districts, Shelby County Conservation District, Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Water Environment Federation, Clemson University, Memphis State University (now the University of Memphis), and University of Tennessee Agricultural Extension Service.

Objectives of the program are to:

- Evaluate currently accepted monitoring strategies to assess agricultural nonpoint-source pollution and develop new strategies as needed,
- Evaluate the nature and extent to which agricultural activities affect the quality of surface and ground water in the Beaver Creek watershed,
- Identify and quantify the processes and factors that control the transport of pollutants from agricultural fields, and



Location of surface-water monitoring stations in the Beaver Creek watershed.

- Assess the effectiveness of agricultural conservation practices (commonly referred to as best management practices) at the field and the watershed levels.

Surface-water-quality monitoring stations have been established in the watershed; 10 gages were in use at the end of 1994. Data collected at these sites are being used in paired watershed, trend, and upstream-downstream analyses. Transport of agrichemicals in the soil profile has been evaluated in five agricultural fields under different tillage practices. Soil samples were collected in three transects from four depths every 15 days during the growing season. The samples were analyzed for nitrogen and phosphorus species, selected pesticides and their metabolites, pH, organic matter content, and cation exchange capacity. Laboratory experiments to evaluate the behavior of applied agrichemicals in the soil under controlled conditions have been conducted. Occurrence and distribution of agrichemicals in the water-table aquifer have been assessed by establishing and sampling a network of shallow wells. The ground-water network included 75 domestic wells and 10 observation wells that were sampled five times a year. In addition, the assimilative capacity of natural and artificial wetlands for agricultural runoff is being evaluated.

Monitoring activities are scheduled through 1996. W. Harry Doyle, Jr. of the Memphis Subdistrict office is the project chief.

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Quality of Storm Water in Relation to Land Use for Urban Areas in Tennessee

Cities with a population of more than 100,000 are now required by U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) regulations to control the quality of storm-water discharges within their boundaries and to obtain a Federal permit under the National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES) as evidence of compliance. Cities must provide the USEPA with estimates of the quantities and mean concentrations of several constituents in storm runoff to receiving streams in order to obtain a permit.

To provide data needed by Nashville, Knoxville, and Chattanooga, the USGS, in cooperation with the governing bodies of these cities, measured discharge and characterized storm-runoff quality at selected watersheds in each city during one to three major storms. The watersheds selected were representative of the primary land uses in each metropolitan area. The USGS also characterized rainfall in each city, another requirement for the NPDES permit, on the basis of existing data.

The project was completed under the direction of Anne B. Hoos of the District office.

Validation of Factor-Adjustment Procedure in Weighting Regional Models of Urban-Runoff Quality with Local Data

The issuance of a National Pollution Discharge Elimination System permit first requires an estimate of storm-runoff loads in urban areas to streams. City engineers or planners can make estimates by applying linear regression models that were developed and calibrated with data for certain cities. They also have available a small data base of local storm-runoff quality (also required by USEPA regulations), which relates to their own city. To help improve the accuracy of the estimates, a USGS project developed and tested statistical methods for combining, or weighting, the predictions from the regression models with information from the local data base, and derived expressions for calculating variance of prediction and confidence intervals for the 'weighted' predictions. Four procedures for adjusting the regression models were tested and validated. For many cities, the procedures can result in smaller estimates of load and possibly a need for less costly mitigation measures for compliance with the USEPA limits.

The project was funded by USGS Office of Surface Water and was conducted by Anne B. Hoos of the District office.

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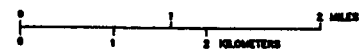
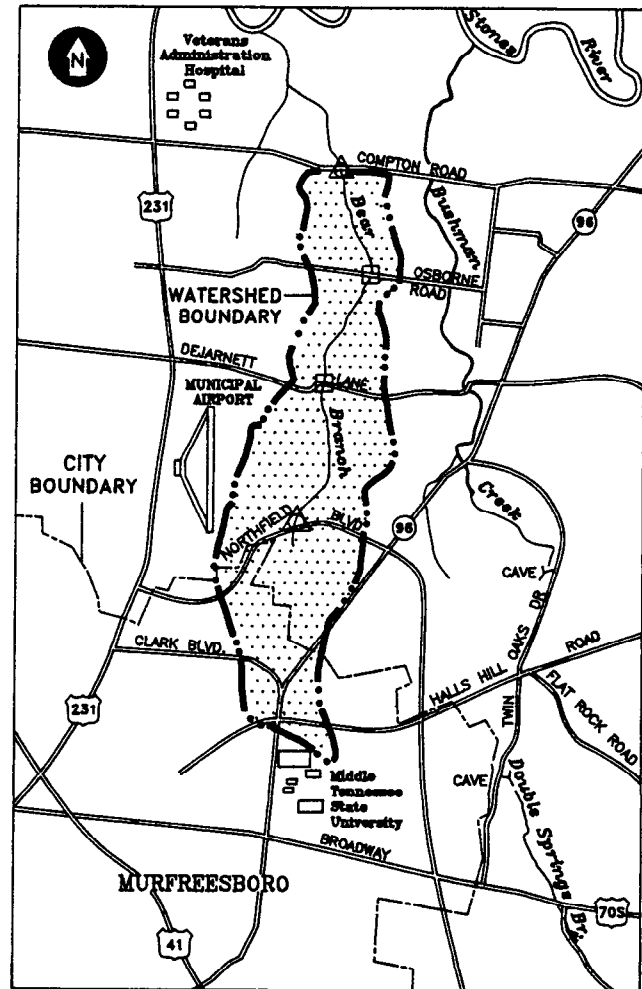
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Application of the Distributed Routing Rainfall Runoff Model, DR₃M, to Bear Branch Watershed, Murfreesboro, Tennessee

The USGS, in cooperation with the City of Murfreesboro, calibrated the USGS Distributed Routing Rainfall Runoff Model, DR₃M, to the 2.8-square-mile Bear Branch watershed in northern Murfreesboro. DR₃M uses kinematic wave theory to route excess rainfall overland and through a branched system of stream channels. It also can simulate the effect of detention storage. The model was calibrated using information from two rain gages, two stream gages, and two crest-stage gages that operated in the watershed from March 1989 through July 1992. The calibrated model was used to define flood characteristics and long-term flood frequencies for conditions in the watershed as of 1993.

The calibrated model provides planners and engineers of the City of Murfreesboro with a valuable tool to study the effects of future changes in land use on the flood characteristics and the flood-frequency relation of the Bear Branch watershed. The ability of the model to simulate detention storage will be valuable in the development of plans to manage and reduce flood damage in the watershed. The calibrated model applies specifically to the Bear Branch watershed; however, the techniques used in the study are transferable to other watersheds where observed rainfall and streamflow data are available.

The investigation was conducted by George S. Outlaw of the District office.



EXPLANATION

- PARTIAL-RECORD STREAMFLOW
- △ RAINFALL GAGE
- CREST-STAGE GAGE

Location of watershed and data-collection points for Bear Branch.

**Seepage and Spring Inventory Reconnaissance
and Base-Flow Measurements at the Oak Ridge Reservation,
Oak Ridge, Tennessee**

The USGS, in cooperation with the U.S. Department of Energy, conducted an inventory of seeps and springs and made base-flow measurements of them on about 16,000 acres of the Oak Ridge Reservation (ORR). The information from this project will aid Oak Ridge National Laboratory's Environmental Restoration Program, Groundwater Operable Units Remedial Investigation in developing a better understanding of the interaction between ground water and surface water on the ORR.

The first part of the study included about 4,300 acres near Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL). In March and April 1993, all tributaries in each of the 18 basins of this area were followed to their source, and the locations of springs, seeps, and stream-measuring sites to be used in the investigation were assigned unique identification numbers. A total of 821 sites were identified during this reconnaissance. About 60 percent of the sites were mapped to an accuracy of within 3 to 5 meters of actual location using a global positioning system (GPS). The other 40 percent of the sites were mapped by measuring the distances from GPS points or other control points.

A high base-flow seepage investigation was conducted from April 29 to May 3, 1993, and from May 7 to May 10, 1993. Discharge measurements or estimates of discharge were made at all sites having flowing water at this time. Specific conductance, temperature, and pH of the water were also measured. About 27 percent of the sites that were identified during the reconnaissance were dry during the high base-flow seepage investigation.

The low base-flow seepage investigation was conducted from August 8 through August 10, 1993, and consisted of revisiting and measuring the seeps and springs that were flowing during the high base-flow seepage investigation. About 68 percent of the sites revisited were dry during the low base-flow seepage investigation.

The second and third parts of the study were performed during 1994. Similar efforts were made to locate seeps and springs and measure base flow on about 7,100 acres near the K-25 plant and 4,600 acres near the Y-12 plant. The number of sites identified in each area totalled 400 and 700, respectively.

The project was performed under the direction of Gregory C. Johnson of the Knoxville Subdistrict office.

Urban Hydrology for Johnson City, Tennessee

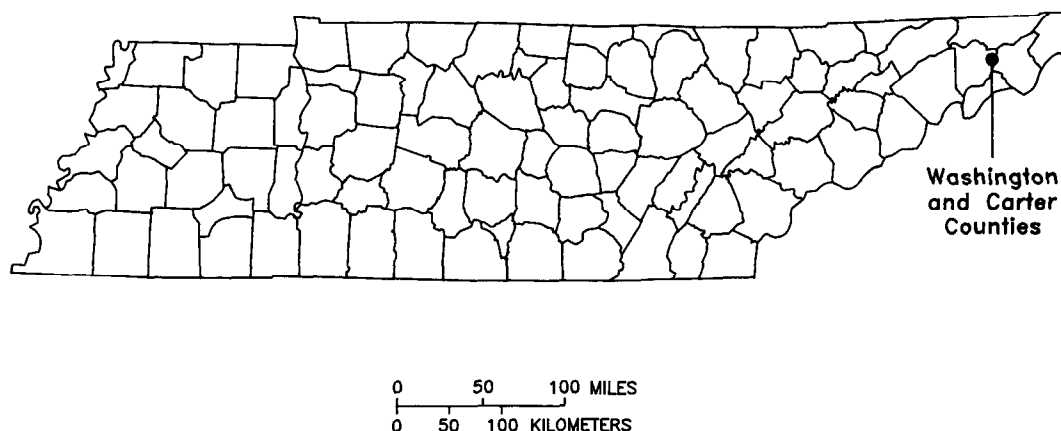
Urban development in and surrounding Johnson City in Washington and Carter Counties, Tennessee, has increased steadily over the past two decades. Associated with this urbanization are increases in impervious areas, storm-sewer developments, and stream-channel modifications, causing significant increases in the magnitude and frequency of flooding. The effect of increased flooding can be minimized if the changes caused by urbanization are considered in the planning and design of buildings and drainage structures. Towards this goal, the City of Johnson City plans to use rainfall-runoff models of five basins to predict the hydraulic effects of specific options in urban development, such as regulations controlling density of developments, amount of impervious surfaces, setbacks from streams, and site design. In addition to use for land-use planning, the calibrated rainfall-runoff models also will be useful in designing urban drainage systems.

In 1990, the USGS, in cooperation with Johnson City and the Tennessee Valley Authority (TVA), initiated a 5-year hydrologic and hydraulic investigation of the Johnson City area which includes the following:

- Collection of rainfall and runoff data,
- Calibration of a basin streamflow model,
- Construction of observed and computed flood profiles, and
- Determination of flood magnitude-frequency relations.

The basins being studied are the Brush Creek, Cobb Creek, Knob Creek, Catbird Creek, and Sinking Creek basins that drain much of Johnson City. A network of 10 streamflow gages and 6 rainfall gages transmit data by radio on a real-time basis to a computer in the Johnson City Public Works Department office. This system allows users to observe rainfall intensities and streamflow of the major creeks at points throughout the city as storms are happening. Crest-stage gages have been installed at 18 sites to provide additional flood-profile information. The data produced are also recorded on USGS data loggers and archived. The archived data will be used in hydraulic analyses of the basins and for programming and calibrating the rainfall-runoff models.

Gregory C. Johnson of the Knoxville Subdistrict office is leading the field work and surface-water analyses for the USGS, and Chris Hughes is leading the modeling effort for TVA. Steve Ellis, Assistant City Engineer for Johnson City, provides coordination for the project.



Location of Johnson City urban hydrology study area, Washington and Carter Counties, Tennessee.

Hydrologic Regime of Wetlands at Arnold Air Force Base, Tennessee

Wetlands are vitally important to the nation's water supply. Among the many economic and public-health benefits of wetlands, one of the most important is the recharge of ground-water systems. In limestone regions, such as the Highland Rim of Tennessee, recharge often occurs rapidly through sinkholes that are connected to cavities in the bedrock. Because surface flow concentrates around these sinkholes, they have potential to introduce surface pollutants directly into the ground water.

Arnold Air Force Base, near Manchester, Tennessee, contains approximately 619 acres of wetlands, many of which contain large and active sinkholes. These areas play a critical role in recharging the ground-water system of the base and surrounding communities. The wetlands also support a number of rare plant and animal species and abundant wildlife. Two of the sites, Sinking Pond and Goose Pond, are Registered Natural Landmarks. Despite the acknowledged hydrologic and ecological importance of these sites, little is known about how water moves through them. In particular, detailed information is needed on the flooding tolerances and requirements of rare plants and on the rates, locations, and processes of ground-water recharge.

In cooperation with the U.S. Air Force, the USGS is conducting a study of the wetlands on Arnold Air Force Base.

The study objectives include:

- Defining spatial and temporal patterns of flooding in areas that support rare plants;
- Evaluating the spatial patterns, rates, and processes of ground-water recharge in sinkhole wetlands; and
- Identifying the geologic and other environmental factors that control the distribution and hydrology of wetlands on Arnold Air Force Base and surrounding areas.

These objectives have been met by monitoring precipitation, surface-water stages, and ground-water levels, and by mapping and correlating hydrologic features, geology, topography, vegetation, and soils. The data collected are currently being analyzed and interpreted.

The project is directed by William J. Wolfe of the District office.



A seasonally flooded stand of willow oaks and overcup oaks in the interior of Sinking Pond, on Arnold Air Force Base.

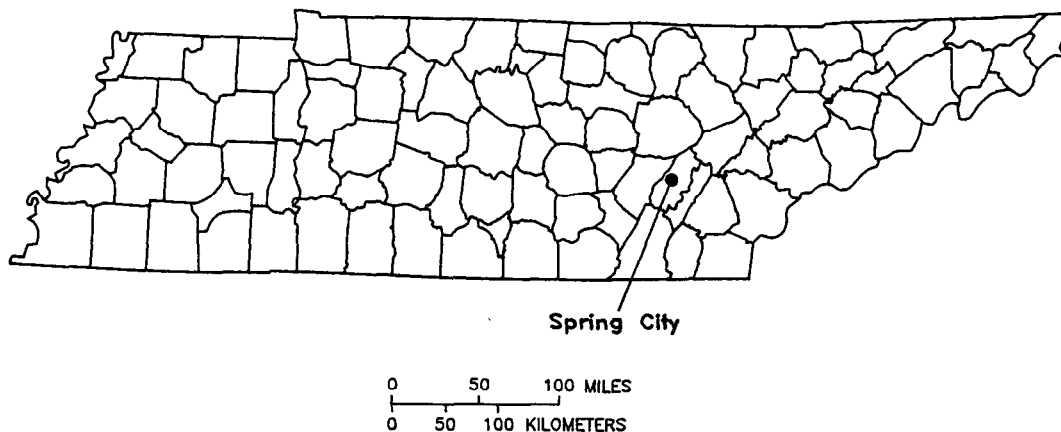
Wetlands Monitoring at Spring City, Tennessee

Part of a natural wetland at Spring City, in Rhea County, was disturbed by the construction of a highway access ramp. To compensate for the destroyed wetland, the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) excavated an adjacent area to create a constructed wetland. The USGS, in cooperation with the TDOT, monitored the water surfaces at the two sites and collected other data from December 1991 to November 1992 as part of a study of wetlands hydrology. The data will be evaluated by the TDOT to determine if the constructed wetland has hydrologic properties similar to the natural wetland.

Recorders on five 6-inch-diameter wells, approximately 5 feet deep, provided continuous water levels in the two wetland areas. The continuous data allowed determination of periods of wetland inundation. Water levels also were monitored at 20 shallow 2-inch-diameter wells at 6-week intervals to provide synoptic data and a more detailed profile of the water surface in the wetlands.

In addition to monitoring water levels in the wetlands, rainfall and streamflow were measured. A recording rain gage was installed in the constructed wetland. These data were used to correlate rainfall to water-surface elevation changes in the wetlands. A continuous-stage recorder was installed on Town Creek, which forms the southeastern boundary of the wetlands. The creek stage information was recorded to determine what effect a flood might have on the wetlands if such an event occurred during the study period.

Gregory C. Johnson of the Knoxville Subdistrict office was project chief of the study.



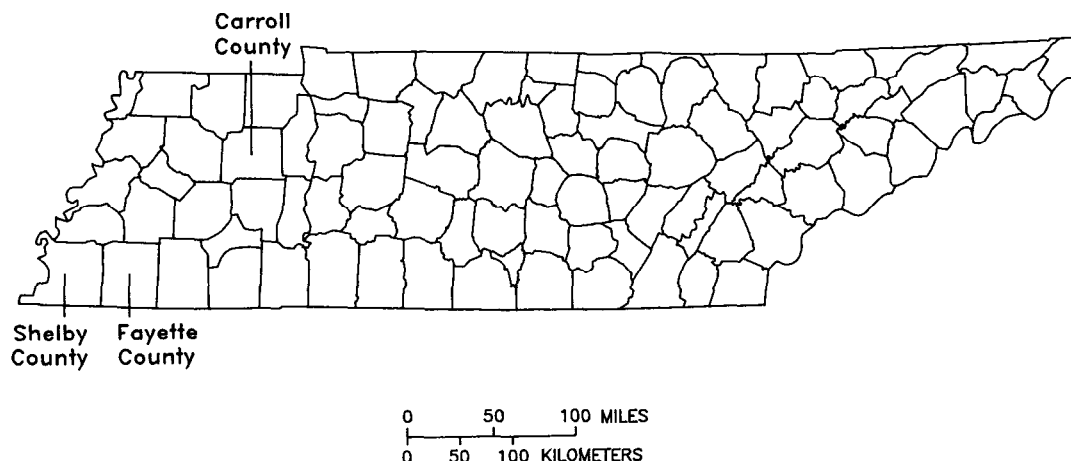
Location of the Spring City wetlands monitoring project, Rhea County, Tennessee.

Wetland Restoration Studies, West Tennessee

In cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT), the Tennessee District of the U.S. Geological Survey is carrying out multidisciplinary investigations at three wetland restoration sites. The sites are located in Shelby, Fayette, and Carroll Counties. Monitoring of conditions at these sites began in June 1993 and is ongoing.

The USGS assists TDOT in identifying potential restoration sites, assessing the difficulty of restoring wetland hydrology, and developing a restoration plan that has a high likelihood of achieving desired restoration objectives. Hydrologic conditions at the sites selected are monitored continuously to evaluate existing conditions and changes produced by application of the restoration plan. Geomorphic and biological techniques are used to enhance the cost-effectiveness of surface-water and ground-water monitoring.

The project chief is Timothy H. Diehl of the District office.



Location of Shelby, Fayette, and Carroll Counties, Tennessee.

Assessment of Scour at Bridges

The USGS and the Tennessee Department of Transportation (TDOT) have cooperatively assessed interactions between channel and bridge characteristics that can cause the scouring of channels at bridges. Severe scour can result in undercutting the footings of bridge structures, causing bridge collapse. From 1989 to 1992, almost 4,000 bridge sites were inspected and the data produced were placed in digital files linked to a geographic information system with mapping capabilities. Indexes for potential and observed scour were developed with additional information provided by the TDOT. These indexes have been used by the TDOT as an aid in organizing bridge-site repair plans. The TDOT and USGS have developed techniques for estimating trends in scour potential through exploratory data-analysis techniques. Plotting of specified data, such as bed-material type, provides the ability to visually determine sites where scour may be severe. Additionally, these techniques can identify stream reaches where changes in channel management or land use may result in potentially dangerous geomorphic responses. The techniques developed in this project are being used in channel-scour studies in other States.

Bradley A. Bryan of the Knoxville Subdistrict office was the project chief of this investigation.



Bare bank and leaning tree are indicators of high-flow impact and channel migration in vicinity of State Highway 15, Little Swan Creek, Lincoln County, Tennessee.

Debris Accumulation at Bridges

Large woody debris, much of which is made up of entire tree trunks with attached root stubs, is common in rivers that flow between wooded banks. The accumulation of debris at bridges causes maintenance problems, contraction and local scour, and bridge failures. The USGS, in cooperation with the Federal Highway Administration, is investigating the causes and effects of debris accumulation at bridges nationwide.

This project incorporates three interdependent approaches to understanding debris accumulation:

- A statistical study of data relevant to debris accumulation;
- A more detailed study of factors contributing to debris accumulation at selected bridges where debris has blocked much of the river channel; and
- A descriptive study of debris production, transport, and trapping in one or two study reaches.

Accomplishments during 1992-94 include combining bridge inspection data from several States into a single digital data base, the development of response forms on which highway engineers can describe debris accumulations, identification of several bridges in the Mississippi Valley with large, recurrent debris accumulations, and a pilot study of debris production and transport potential in a small Cumberland River basin near Franklin, Tennessee.

Timothy H. Diehl of the District office is the project chief.



Debris accumulation at bridge over the Harpeth River at Sneed Road near Bellvue, Tennessee.

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Sedimentation and Surface-Water Flow Patterns near the Tigrett Wildlife Management Area, Dyer County, Tennessee

The Tigrett Wildlife Management Area and nearby areas along the North Fork Forked Deer River in Dyer County typify drainage conditions along channelized streams in West Tennessee: expanding ponds, dead or dying timber, and tributary flooding. Two issues raised by these conditions are (1) the hydrologic effects of historical sedimentation and (2) the hydrologic interaction of different parts of the flood plain and its margins. In cooperation with the Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency, the USGS conducted a study to evaluate hydrologic conditions in and near the Tigrett Wildlife Management Area. The study results provided environmental decision makers with a scientific basis for choosing among several management options for the Wildlife Management Area. The major conclusions were:

- 5 to 12 feet of sediment were deposited on the flood plain between 1830 and 1930;
- Ponds in the flood plain are gradually being drained by head cuts in both banks of the North Fork Forked Deer ditch; and
- Ponding along several tributaries reflects conditions in the tributary basins and does not depend on flood-plain ponding.

The principal investigators were William J. Wolfe and Timothy H. Diehl with assistance from Bradley A. Bryan.

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A formerly buried cypress stump excavated by channel erosion in the Tigrett Wildlife Management Area. Note the numerous small roots along the sides of the stump and the young birch growing on its top.

Digital Data Acquisition and Development of Geographic Information System Coverages for Wells and Springs Used for Public Water Supply in Tennessee

About 51 percent of Tennessee residents depend on ground water for domestic water supply. In some parts of the State, potential exists for surface or near-surface contaminants to enter aquifers resulting in the degradation of ground-water quality. Susceptibility to degradation is greatest for unconfined aquifers and aquifers in areas where sinkholes or other karst-related surface-drainage features occur.

During 1991-92, the USGS, in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, Division of Water Supply, developed digital files (termed "coverages") that can be used to estimate the potential for ground water in Tennessee to become degraded by contaminants. The coverages include:

- principal surficial aquifers in the State
- karst-hazard assessment
- location of wells and springs used for public supply and rates of ground-water withdrawal
- location of hazardous-waste sites inventoried under the Comprehensive Environmental Response Compensation Liability Act
- location of hazardous-waste sites inventoried under the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act

Additionally, two coverages were acquired:

- county boundaries and names
- population density, by county

A geographic information system (GIS) was used to develop each coverage. Coverages of different features can be overlain, and the computing capabilities of the GIS used to derive information that relates to the potential for ground-water contamination.

The project was completed under the direction of Joseph F. Connell and William R. Barron, Jr., of the District office.

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Conversion of Geologic Quadrangle Maps to Geologic Coverages

The USGS, in cooperation with the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation, U.S. Army Corps of Engineers, Tennessee Valley Authority, and U.S. Soil Conservation Service (now the Natural Resources Conservation Service), converted information on 368 geologic maps of 7 1/2-minute quadrangles in Tennessee to digital files. The files can be accessed by computers equipped with geographic information system (GIS) software. GIS technology provides managers, scientists, engineers, and others with an efficient manner for storing and manipulating large amounts of data and providing derivative maps of selected types of information at any desired scale. Most of the area included in this project is in Middle Tennessee with lesser amounts in the eastern and western parts of the State.

The project was under the direction of Joseph F. Connell of the District office.

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Connell, J.F., Barron, W.R., Jr., and Mitchell, R.L., III, 1994, Conversion of geologic quadrangle maps to geologic coverages: U.S. Geological Survey Open-File Report 94-359, 23 p.

Tennessee Coordinated Ground-Water Data Base

The USGS and the Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation (TDEC) have coordinated their ground-water data bases on one computer platform. Three TDEC State data bases (Water Wells, Public Water Supply, and Monitor Wells) and three USGS data bases (State Water Use Data System, Ground Water Site Inventory, and Digital Well Coverages) were transferred to work stations for use as a common data base system. Among the benefits of the coordinated data base are that data accessibility to both agencies has been greatly improved, the speed of input and retrieval of data has been significantly enhanced, the data are readily transferrable to coverages under geographic information systems, and the overall management of ground-water resources in the State has been facilitated.

The project was under the direction of David C. Greene of the District office with assistance from Joseph F. Connell.

OTHER ACTIVITIES

Outreach

USGS employees of the District office and three Subdistrict offices in Tennessee have presented numerous talks and seminars on various aspects of hydrology to the students and faculty of several schools and universities in the State. The list of schools includes the University of Tennessee, Middle Tennessee State University, Memphis State University (now the University of Memphis), Christian Brothers University, Rhodes College, and the Memphis College of Art. Seminars, frequently with hands-on demonstrations, also have been given to teacher groups, high school students, and students in elementary schools. Talks on hydrology also have been presented to non-academic organizations such as the Tennessee Association of Utility Districts, Fort Campbell Environmental-Quality Officers, and various Chambers of Commerce. The Beaver Creek project has been of particular interest to several organizations outside Tennessee. This project has been the subject of talks at the National Academy of Sciences, the National Cotton Council, Texas Farm Bureau, and Arkansas Nature Conservancy.

To encourage young people to consider careers in science, representatives of the Tennessee District have attended "career day" at several colleges to discuss the work of the USGS. Special efforts have been made to attract students of minority groups.

During part of 1992, the Tennessee District was host to two visiting scientists from Spain who came to learn new hydrologic methods. They participated in the Cave Springs, Appalachian Valleys-Piedmont Regional Aquifer System Analysis, and Beaver Creek projects.

The Tennessee District was a co-sponsor of the Fifth Tennessee Water Resources Symposium in 1992, the First Annual Tennessee Students Symposium on Water Resources in 1993, and the American Water Resources Association Annual Spring Symposium in 1994. These meetings are intended to provide a forum for the exchange of water-resources information and ideas among scientists and others within the state. Additionally, the USGS has provided financial support each year to the Tennessee Water Resources Research Center.

Geophysical Logging

The Tennessee District of the USGS conducts an active program of geophysical logging in cooperation with Memphis Light, Gas and Water Division (MLGW) and in support of other ground-water investigations across the State. Geophysical logs can provide valuable information on the geologic and hydrologic conditions at a well. These logs can be used to identify changes in lithology, determine the occurrence and depth of fractures and solution openings intercepted by a well, determine the porosity of the formation, measure ground-water temperature and specific conductance at depth, and determine directions of water flow within the borehole.

Test wells drilled by MLGW are logged by the USGS to provide information on the Memphis aquifer and the Fort Pillow aquifer in Shelby County. The Tennessee District has a geophysical logging unit in Memphis to support the cooperative work with MLGW. This logging unit can run caliper, natural gamma, and electric logs to depths of about 2,500 feet below land surface.

The USGS also has a regional geophysical logging unit in Atlanta that has been used in Tennessee to provide additional logging capabilities. The regional logger can run density, neutron porosity, sonic velocity, acoustic televiewer, long and short normal resistivity, focused resistivity, spinner flow meter, and heat-pulse flow meter logs as well as the standard caliper, natural gamma, and electric logs.

District Drilling Capabilities

A CME 55 drill rig is stationed at the Memphis Subdistrict to support USGS drilling activities in the Tennessee District. The rig can be used to drill in unconsolidated soils to a depth of about 150 feet. Capabilities of the drilling operations include hollow- and solid-stem augering, mud-rotary drilling, and split-spoon sampling. The drill rig significantly improves the Tennessee District capabilities to install monitoring wells in a cost-efficient and timely manner. For example, the CME 55 drill rig was used to install 36 monitoring wells at a U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Superfund site in Jackson, Tennessee, where the soils were highly contaminated with organic chemicals. Installation of deep monitoring wells and wells in consolidated formations are contracted out using a competitive-bidding process.

Drilling operations are directed by Larry B. Thomas of the Memphis Subdistrict office. He is assisted by W. Kevin Kelly, Amy M. Fielder, and Randy Thomas, also of that office.

Geographic Information System Capabilities

Geographic information system (GIS) is an organized collection of computer hardware, software, geographic data, and personnel designed to efficiently capture, store, update, manipulate, analyze, and display all forms of geographically referenced information. Information is derived from numerous sources such as digital elevation models, studies of aquifers, and maps of roads, hydrography, vegetation, karst areas, and land use. These data bases are managed and manipulated to provide base maps and analyses for both project work and cooperators' needs.

The Tennessee District has several Statewide data bases at varying scales obtained through national and Statewide mapping efforts. In addition, data bases for more local areas have been created at relatively large scales to meet specific project needs. One of the recently added data bases, developed in cooperation with other government agencies, incorporates information on geologic maps for 368 of all 811 7½ minute quadrangles included within or partly within the State.

Recent Publications

The Tennessee Publications Center prepared 30 Water-Resources Investigations Reports; 18 Open-File Reports; 33 journal articles, abstracts, and symposia articles; and 2 annual data reports for publication in 1992-94. The Publications Center also compiled and printed two book reports presenting the program with 45 abstracts for the Fifth Tennessee Hydrology Symposium and the program with 39 abstracts for the National Computer Technology Meeting. It also printed 10 reports from other Districts and Headquarters and 1 periodic bulletin, and made the third printing of the "Standards for Illustrations in Reports of the U.S. Geological Survey, Water Resources Division." Currently, approximately 50 reports are in various stages of preparation.

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APPENDIX 1

Active Recording Surface-Water Stations in Tennessee as of 9/30/94

Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
CUMBERLAND RIVER BASIN					
03312255	Salt Lick Cr at Red Boiling Springs	12.6			1992
03409500	Clear Fork near Robbins	272	362318	843749	1930
03409700	East Branch Bear Creek near Oneida	--	363242	842919	1994
03409710	Unnamed tributary to East Branch Bear Creek near Oneida	--	363252	842948	1994
03414500	E Fork Obey River nr Jamestown	202	362458	850135	1942
03416000	Wolf River near Byrdstown	106	363337	850423	1942
03417500	Cumberland River at Celina	7,307	363315	853052	1922
03418070	Roaring River above Gainsboro	210	362104	853245	1974
03421000	Collins River near McMinnville	640	354232	854346	1925
03422500	Caney Fork near Rock Island	1,678	354826	853744	1911
03424730	Smith Fork at Temperance Hall	214	360514	855429	1991
03425000	Cumberland River at Carthage	10,690	361453	855719	1922
03425400	Cumberland River at Hunters Point	11,107	361757	861549	1986
03426385	Mansker Crk above Goodlettsville	--	362020	864304	1993
03427500	East Fork Stones River nr Lascassas	262	355506	862002	1951
03428200	W Fork Stones River at Murfreesboro	128	355410	862548	1972-82, 1986
03428500	West Fork Stones River near Smyrna	237	355625	862754	1965
03430118	McCrorry Cr at Ironwood Dr, at Donelson	7.31	360908	863901	1977
03430147	Stoners Creek nr Hermitage	20.6	361140	863628	1992
03430550	Mill Creek near Nolensville	40.5	360033	864206	1992
03431000	Mill Creek near Antioch	64.0	360454	864050	1953-75, 1991
03431062	Mill Creek trib. at Glenrose Ave., at Woodbine	1.17	360702	864337	1977
03431300	Browns Creek at State Fairgrounds at Nashville	11.18	360747	864540	1964-75, 1993
03431490	Pages Branch at Avondale	2.01	361222	864624	1977
034315005	Cumberland River at Woodland St. at Nashville	12,860	361002	864635	1992
03431599	Whites Creek near Bordeaux	51.3	361303	864913	1993
03431700	Richland Creek at Charlotte Ave. at Nashville	24.3	360904	865116	1964-1990, 1993
03431800	Sycamore Creek near Ashland City	97.2	361912	870304	1961
03432350	Harpeth River at Franklin	191	355514	865156	1974
03432400	Harpeth River below Franklin	210	355653	865254	1986
03433500	Harpeth River at Bellevue	408	360316	865542	1920
03434500	Harpeth River near Kingston Springs	681	360719	870556	1925
03435000	Cumberland River below Cheatham Dam	14,163	361926	871332	1954

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Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
03436100	Red River at Port Royal	935	363317	870831	1961
03436500	Cumberland River at Clarksville	16,000	363228	872204	1924-44, 1986
03436690	Yellow Creek at Ellis Mills	103	361839	873315	1980
03437000	Cumberland River at Dover	16,530	362926	875020	1986
TENNESSEE RIVER BASIN					
03455000	French Broad River near Newport	1,858	355854	830940	1900
03465500	Nolichucky River at Embreeville	805	361035	822727	1920
03465830	Muddy Fork near Leesburg	--	361759	823336	1994
03466098	Jockey Creek near Mt. Bethel Church near Limestone	--	361406	823848	1994
03466228	Sinking Creek at Afton	13.7	361155	824431	1977
03466825	Lick Creek Near Holland Mill	--			
03469175	Little Pigeon River above Sevierville	184	355155	833201	1988
03486305	Sinking Creek at Sinking Creek Road at Johnson City	4.10	361649	822205	1992
03486311	Sinking Creek at Highway 67 at Johnson City	7.29	361841	821948	1991
03486312	Catbird Creek at Miami Dr at Johnson City	2.91	361845	821932	1990
03486485	Brush Creek at State of Franklin Road at Johnson City	4.05	361808	822253	1991
03486494	Brush Creek at Johnson City	9.58	361915	822101	1991
03486508	Brush Creek at Piney Grove at Johnson City	14.0	362053	821909	1991
03486657	Knob Creek at Claude Simmons Road at Johnson City	3.15	361952	822529	1991
03486659	Knob Creek Tributary at Knob Creek Road at Johnson City	1.97	362026	822433	1991
03486665	Knob Creek at Wayfield Drive at Johnson City	11.4	362211	822213	1991
03486670	Cobb Creek at East Oakland Avenue at Johnson City	3.75	362124	822529	1991
03491000	Big Creek near Rogersville	47.3	362534	825707	1957
03491544	Crockett Creek below Rogersville	4.67	362247	830248	1989
03495547	Love Creek at I-40 at Knoxville	8.01	360039	835036	1990
03497300	Little River above Townsend	106	353952	834241	1963
03498500	Little River near Maryville	269	354710	835304	1951
03498850	Little River near Alcoa	300	354832	835536	1987
03528000	Clinch River above Tazewell	1,474	362530	832354	1918
03536320	White Oak Creek near Melton Hill	1.31	355556	841820	1987
03536380	Whiteoak Creek near Wheat	2.10	355530	841852	1987
03536440	Northwest Tributary near Oak Ridge	.67	355518	841913	1987
03536450	First Creek near Oak Ridge	0.33	355521	841910	1987

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Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
TENNESSEE RIVER BASIN					
03536550	Whiteoak Creek bl Melton Valley Drive near Oak Ridge	3.28	355510	841902	1985
03538231	E. FK. Poplar Cr at Y-12 at Oak Ridge	.81	355911	841502	1993
03538235	E. FK. Poplar Cr at Bear Creek Road at Oak Ridge	1.69	355948	841425	1993
03538256	Bear Creek at Bear Creek Road near Oak Ridge	.42	355817	841649	1994
03538260	Bear Creek at County Line nr Oak Ridge	1.57	355726	841803	1993
03538270	Bear Creek at St. Hwy. 95 nr Oak Ridge	4.34	355614	842022	1959-64, 1985-93
03538600	Obed River at Crossville	12.0	355727	850300	1992
03540500	Emory River at Oakdale	764	355859	843329	1927
03543500	Sewee Creek near Decatur	117	353453	844453	1934
03563000	Ocoee River at Emf	524	350548	843207	1913
03564500	Ocoee River at Parksville	595	350548	843915	1911-16, 1921
03565428	Oostanaula Creek near Sweetwater	--	353014	842947	1994
03565430	Oostanaula Creek below Johnson Branch near Athens	--	352814	843312	1994
03566000	Hiwassee River at Charleston	2,298	351716	844507	1898-1903, 1914-40, 1963
035661285	North Mouse Creek near Rocky Mount Hollow near Athens	--	352655	843923	1963, 1994
03567500	South Chickamauga Creek nr Chickamauga	428	350051	851235	1928-78, 1980
03568000	Tennessee River at Chattanooga	21,380	350512	851643	1874
03571000	Sequatchie River near Whitwell	402	351222	852948	1920
03578455	Bradley Cr Trib. at AEDC nr Manchester	--	352327	860216	1993
03578600	Brumalow Cr at AEDC nr Manchester	--	352220	860233	1993
03578970	Rowland Cr at AEDC nr Manchester	--	352211	860332	1993
03579620	Rock Creek at Tullahoma	12.3	352134	861247	1992
03584500	Elk River near Prospect	1,784	350139	865652	1904-08, 1919
03588500	Shoal Creek at Iron City	348	350127	873444	1925
03593500	Tennessee River at Savannah	33,140	351329	881526	1930
03597210	Garrison Fork above L&N Railroad at Wartrace	85.5	353042	861926	1990
03597590	Wartrace Creek below County Road at Wartrace	35.7	353138	862025	1990
03597860	Duck River at Shelbyville	425	352851	862745	1992
03598000	Duck River near Shelbyville	481	352849	862957	1934
03598173	Fall Creek near Deason	--	353501	862917	1994
03598179	Fall Creek near Halls Mill	--	353309	863214	1994
03598250	N Fork Creek near Poplins Crossroads	71.9	353506	863545	1994

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Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
TENNESSEE RIVER BASIN					
03599500	Duck River at Columbia	1,208	353705	870156	1905-08, 1920
03600088	Carters Creek at Butler Rd at Carters Creek	20.1	354302	865945	1986
03602219	Piney River at Cedar Hill	46.6	355943	872622	1988
03603000	Duck River above Hurricane Mills	2,557	355548	874435	1925
03604000	Buffalo River near Flat Woods	447	352945	874958	1920
03604400	Buffalo River near Lobelville	702			
03605078	Cypress Creek at Camden	27.3	360249	880433	1992
03607225	Holly Fork Creek at Noble	--	362101	881346	1994
03607232	Beaverdam Creek at Sulfur Well Road at Noble	--	362011	881110	1994
OBION RIVER BASIN					
07024305	Beaver Creek at Huntingdon	55.5	355956	882601	1962
07026040	Obion River at U.S. Highway 51 near Obion	1,875	361427	891303	1929-58, 1966
07027000	Reelfoot Lake near Tiptonville	240	362109	892507	1940
HATCHIE RIVER BASIN					
07029500	Hatchie River at Bolivar	1,480	361631	885836	1929
LOOAHATCHIE RIVER BASIN					
07030240	Loosahatchie River near Arlington	262	351837	893823	1969
07030241	E Beaver Creek canal tributary at Tritt Farm near Keeling	.044			
07030242	E Beaver Creek canal tributary at Williams Farm near Belmont	.168			
07030246	Middle Beaver Creek near Gainesville	--	352339	893829	1994
070302481	W Beaver Creek canal tributary at Moffatt Farm near Madge	.105			
07030249	Middle Beaver Creek canal tributary at Wilson Farm near Madge	.660			
07030250	Beaver Creek near Arlington	148	351911	893929	1994
WOLF RIVER BASIN					
07031650	Wolf River at Germantown	699	350659	894805	1970-86, 1991
NONCONNAH CREEK BASIN					
07032200	Nonconnah Creek near Germantown	68.2	350259	894908	1969

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Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
CUMBERLAND RIVER BASIN					
03409000	White Oak Creek at Sunbright	13.5	361438	844014	1934, 1955-82, 1985
03418201	Doe Creek at Gainesboro	5.72	362123	853920	1978
03421200	Charles Creek near McMinnville	31.1	354300	854605	1955
03424900	Mulherrin Creek near Gordonsville	26.9	361128	855711	1982, 1986
03425045	Peyton Creek at Monoville	44.7	361837	855921	1986
03425365	Second Creek near Walnut Grove	3.47	362401	861248	1986
03426800	East Fork Stones River at Woodbury	39.1	354941	860436	1962-89#, 1990
03426874	Brawleys Fork below Bradyville	15.4	354444	861014	1983
034269424	Reed Creek near Bradyville	3.52	354444	861231	1983
03427690	Bushman Creek at Pitts Lane Ford near Compton	9.67	355308	862047	1989-92#, 1993
03428043	Lytle Creek at Sanbyrne Drive at Murfreesboro	17.6	354938	862328	1978
03430118	McCrory Creek at Ironwood Drive near Donelson	7.31	360907	863902	1977-94
03430400	Mill Creek at Nolensville	12.0	355732	864031	1965
03431040	Sevenmile Creek at Blackman Road at Nolensville	12.2	360421	864400	1965
03431060	Mill Creek at Thompson Lane, near Woodbine	93.4	360704	864308	1965
03431120	West Fork Browns Creek at General Bates Drive, at Nashville	3.30	360629	864707	1965
03431240	East Fork Browns Creek at Baird-Ward Printing Company, at Nashville	1.58	360633	864600	1965
03431340	Browns Creek at Factory Street, at Nashville	13.2	360826	464531	1965
03431550	Earthman Fork at Whites Creek	6.29	361555	864951	1965
03431573	Ewing Creek at Richmond Hill Drive at Parkwood	2.17	361350	864628	1976
03431575	Ewing Creek at Brick Church Pike at Parkwood	3.02	361358	864654	1976
03431578	Ewing Creek at Gwynwood Drive near Jordonia	9.98	361358	864732	1976
03431581	Ewing Creek below Knight Road, near Bordeaux	13.3	361355	864814	1976
03431677	Sugartree Creek at YMCA Access Road, at Green Hills	1.51	360613	864912	1976
03431679	Sugartree Creek at Abbott Martin Road, at Green Hills	2.19	360623	864917	1976
03432470	Murfrees Fork above Burwood	7.43	354858	865720	1986
03432925	Little Harpeth River at Granny White Pike, at Brentwood	22.0	360130	864909	1978

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Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
CUMBERLAND RIVER BASIN					
03434590	Jones Creek near Burns	13.3	360615	871905	1984
034350021	Bartons Creek near Cumberland Furnace	22.29	361502	872000	1984
034351113	Honey Run Creek below Cross Plains	25.8	363231	864214	1986
03435770	Sulphur Fork Red River above Springfield	65.6	363047	865144	1975
03435930	Spring Creek tributary near Cedar Hill	1.40	363208	865926	1986
03436505	Cummings Creek nr Dotsonville	2.65	362918	872806	1984
03436700	Yellow Creek near Shiloh	124	362055	873220	1957-80#, 1982
TENNESSEE RIVER BASIN					
03461230	Caney Creek near Cosby	1.62	354703	831211	1967
03465607	Cherokee Creek near Embreeville	22.9	361224	822923	1984
03465780	Clear Fork near Fairview	10.5	361933	823347	1983
03466890	Lick Creek near Albany	172	361454	825534	1984
03467480	Bent Creek at Taylor Gap	2.18	361408	830641	1986
03467992	Carter Branch near White Pine	4.25	360705	831855	1986
03467993	Cedar Creek near Valley Home	2.01	360803	831847	1986
03467998	Sinking Fork at White Pine	6.38	360721	831744	1986
03470215	Dumplin Creek at Mt. Hareb	3.65	360459	832551	1986
03476960	Indian Creek at Childress	6.79	362538	821554	1983
03478615	Evans Creek near Blountville	2.50	363119	821812	1983
03487550	Reedy Creek at Orebank	36.3	363342	822736	1963-89#, 1990
03490522	Forgey Creek at Zion Hill	0.86	362912	825308	1986
03491540	Robertson Creek near Persia	14.6	362024	830227	1986
03494990	Flat Creek at Luttrell	22.4	361145	834444	1986
03519610	Baker Creek tributary near Binfield	2.10	354156	840246	1966-77, 1979
03519640	Baker Creek near Greenback	16.0	354021	864628	1965-75#, 1976
03527800	Big War Creek at Luther	22.3	362718	831429	1986
03528390	Crooked Creek near Maynardville	2.23	361556	835025	1986
03534000	Coal Creek at Lake City	24.5	361314	840927	1932-34#, 1955
03535180	Willow Fork near Halls Crossroads	3.23	360559	835427	1967
03555900	Coker Creek near Ironsburg	22.4	351305	842028	1983
03566420	Wolftever Cr nr Ooltewah	18.8	350343	850359	1964-1989#, 1990
03566599	North Chickamauga Creek at Greens Mill, near Hixson	99.5	351030	851340	1925, 1944, 1953-56, 1980
03569168	Stringers Branch at Leawood Drive, at Red Bank	1.54	350700	851728	

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Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began
TENNESSEE RIVER BASIN					
03571500	Little Sequatchie River at Sequatchie	116	350747	853510	1925, 1929-30, 1932-34#, 1944, 1951-54, 1965, 1979
03571730	Standifer Branch at Jasper	15.3	350422	853656	1982
03571800	Battle Creek near Monteagle	50.4	350803	854615	1955
03583300	Richland Creek near Cornersville	47.5	351910	865220	1962-68#, 1969
035944242	Owl Creek at Lexington	2.50	353826	882213	1984
03597300	Wartrace Creek above Bell Buckle	4.99	353745	862122	1966
03602170	West Piney River at Hwy 70 nr Dickson	2.16	360521	872812	1984
03602500	Piney River at Vernon	193	355216	873005	1925-93#, 1994
03604090	Coon Creek above Chop Hollow, near Hohenwald	6.02	353519	874109	1967
03604580	Blue Creek near New Hope	13.2	360352	873858	1984
03605555	Trace Creek above Denver	31.9	360308	875427	1963-88#, 1989
03605880	Cane Creek at Stewart	4.12	361909	875021	1984
OBION RIVER BASIN					
07024225	Neil Ditch near Henry	4.07	361019	882333	1984
07024370	Little Reedy Creek near Huntingdon	0.91	355544	882950	1984
07024500	South Fork Obion River near Greenfield	383	360705	884839	1929-89#, 1990
07025500	North Fork Obion River at Union City	480	362359	885943	1929-66, 1967-71, 1989-93#, 1994
07028505	North Fork Forked Deer River at U.S. Highway 45W Bypass at Trenton	73.9	355858	885549	1987
07029090	Lewis Creek near Dyersburg	25.5	360314	892142	1955-78, 1980-83, 1985
07030100	Cane Creek at Ripley	33.9	354525	893305	1957-62#, 1963-70, 1986-88#, 1989

APPENDIX 2

Active ground-water network in Tennessee as of 9/30/94

Station No.	Local well No.	Lat	Long	Date began
RECORDER--60-MINUTE PUNCH INTERVAL				
360835086441100	Dv:L-10	360835	864411	1985
350234085181200	Hm:G-36	350234	851812	1981
351428085003600	Hm:O-15	351428	850036	1975
360020087573300	Hs:H-1	360020	875733	1962
353839089493500	Ld:F-4	353839	894935	1966
354223088380200	Md:N-1	354223	883802	1949
360543084343101	Mg:F-5	360543	843431	1984
360521085432601	Pm:C-1	360521	854326	1968
353922083345600	Sv:E-2	353922	833456	1979
350514089553700	Sh:K-75	350514	895537	1948
350735089593300	Sh:P-76	350735	895933	1928
350900089482300	Sh:Q-1	350900	894823	1940
350344090130000	Ar:H-2	350344	901300	1983
350432090015100	Sh:J-126	350432	900151	--
350124090072200	Sh:J-140	350124	900722	--
350002090054400	Sh:J-1	350002	900544	--
350914090010600	Sh:O-212	350914	900106	--
3511000895236	Sh:P-185	351100	895236	--
3514390895723	Sh:P-113	351439	895723	--
3508100894308	Sh:R-31	350810	894308	--
3507240895556	Sh:K-76	350724	895556	--
3509100900151	Sh:O-170	350910	900151	--
350811089430901	Sh:R-30	350811	894309	1940
3506580895601	Sh:K-45	350658	895601	--
TAPE DOWN				
352226089330101	Fa:R-1	352226	893301	1949
352226089330102	Fa:R-2	352226	893301	1949
351435090005200	Sh:O-1	351435	900052	1940
352112089571200	Sh:U-1	352112	895712	1946
352112089571300	Sh:U-2	352112	895713	1953
355505086541100	Wm:M-1	355505	865411	1950
350958090173800	Ar:C-1	350958	901738	1983
351349090062800	Ar:O-1	351349	900628	1983

APPENDIX 3

Water-quality and suspended-sediment stations

[Q, chemical; B, bacteriological; S, sediment]

Station No.	Name	Drainage area (mi ²)	Lat	Long	Date began	Data type
CUMBERLAND RIVER BASIN						
03417500	Cumberland River at Celina	7,307	363315	853052	1992	Q
03418420	Cumberland River below Cordell Hull Dam	8,095	361712	855627	1980	Q
03425000	Cumberland River at Carthage	10,690	361453	855719	1975	Q,B,S
03426310	Cumberland River at Old Hickory Dam (Tailwater)	11,673			1979	Q
03428200	W Fork Stones River at Murfreesboro	177	355410	862548	1986	Q
03435000	Cumberland River below Cheatham Dam		361926	871332	1993	Q
TENNESSEE RIVER BASIN						
03497300	Little River above Townsend	106	353952	834241	1964-82, 1986	Q,B,S
03578455	Bradley Creek Trib at AEDC near Manchester	--	352327	860216	1993	Q
03578600	Brumalow Cr at AEDC nr Manchester	--	352220	860233	1933	Q
03578970	Rowland Cr at AEDC nr Manchester	--	352211	860332	1993	Q
03593005	Tennessee River at Pickwick Landing Dam	32,820	350354	881508	1975	Q,B,S
03597860	Duck River at Shelbyville	425	352851	862745	1991	Q
03600085	Carters Creek at Petty Lane near Carters Creek	16.6	354340	865920	1986	Q,B,S
03600086	Carters Creek Trib near Carters Creek	2.94	354334	865920	1986	Q,B,S
03600088	Carters Creek at Butler Road at Carters Creek	20.1	354303	865945	1986	Q,B,S
03604000	Buffalo River near Flat Woods	447	352945	874958	1964	Q,B,S
OBION RIVER BASIN						
07026040	Obion River at US Highway 51 near Obion	1,875	361427	891303	1975	Q,B,S
HATCHIE RIVER BASIN						
07029500	Hatchie River at Bolivar	1,480	361631	885836	1964, 1968, 1977	Q,B,S

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