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PHASE I INSPECTION REPORT

Identification No.: ME00288  
Name of Dam: Little River Lower Dam  
Town: Belfast  
County and State: Waldo, Maine  
Stream: Little River  
Date of Inspection: September 17, 1979

BRIEF ASSESSMENT

Little River Lower Dam is a concrete and dry-stone-masonry dam, with a hydraulic height of 30 feet, 126 feet long, with a 91-foot long concrete ogee spillway section which makes a smooth transition into a slightly sloping spillway apron. At its downstream end the spillway apron discharges over a vertical dry-stone-masonry wall about 11 feet high. At the south end of the dam there is a concrete retaining wall. At the north end of the dam there is a massive intake structure which appears to be dry-stone-masonry encased in concrete. A pump station building and a filter house for a water supply system is located integrally with the north abutment. The gate mechanism on the north abutment is in poor condition and hasn't been operational for over 24 years. The dam impounds a reservoir with a maximum storage capacity of about 615 acre-feet. The reservoir is .51 mile long with a surface area of about 37 acres and is used for water supply for the Town of Belfast.

The dam is in fair condition. Major concerns are: Erosion on the upstream and downstream sides of the south concrete abutment, and deterioration of the dry-stone-masonry walls at the downstream edge of the spillway apron, on the north bank of the upstream channel and on the north bank of the downstream channel.

Based on small size and significant hazard classification in accordance with Corps guidelines, the test flood ranges from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Because the storage capacity of this reservoir is in the upper range of the size classification,  $\frac{1}{2}$  PMF was selected as the test flood. Using the COE guide curves with 'mountainous' terrain, and the  $\frac{1}{2}$  PMF routed outflow from the Little River Upper Dam, the test flood inflow was determined to be 15,920 cfs. After routing, the test flood discharge was determined to be 15,000 cfs at elevation 36.7' NGVD. The test flood analysis indicates the dam would be overtopped by 6.4 feet. Spillway capacity at top of dam is 3,665 cfs, which is 24 percent of the routed test flood discharge. A major breach with pool at top of dam would probably result in the loss of no lives, but could cause appreciable property damage. (For details see Section 5.1 f.)

The owner, Belfast Water District, should implement the results of the recommendations and remedial measures given in Sections 7.2 and 7.3 within one year after receipt of this Phase I Inspection Report.

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Honorable Joseph E. Brennan  
Governor of the State of Maine  
State Capitol  
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Dear Governor Brennan:

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

A copy of this report has been forwarded to the Department of Agriculture cooperating agency for the State of Maine. In addition, a copy of the report has also been furnished the owner, Belfast Water District, 71 Church Street, Belfast, Maine 04915.

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

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

Sincerely,

  
MAX B. SCHEIDER

Colonel, Corps of Engineers  
Division Engineer

Incl  
As stated

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

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## PREFACE

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

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

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

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

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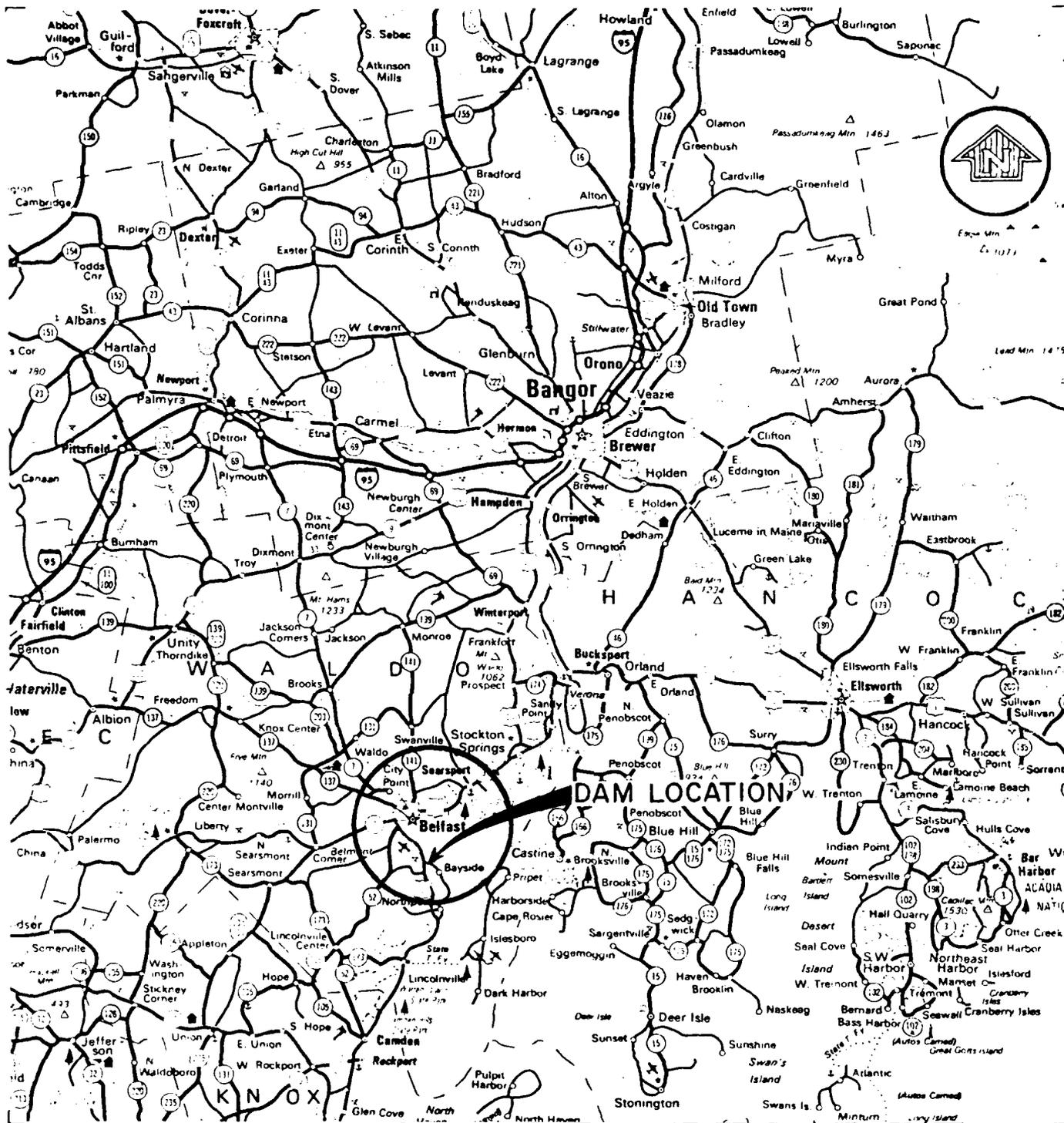
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Figure 1 - Overview of Little River Lower Dam.



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NATIONAL DAM INSPECTION PROGRAM  
PHASE 1 INSPECTION REPORT  
LITTLE RIVER LOWER DAM

SECTION 1  
PROJECT INFORMATION

1.1 General

a. Authority. Public Law 92-367, August 8, 1972 authorized the Secretary of the Army, through the Corps of Engineers, to initiate a National Program of Dam Inspection throughout the United States. The New England Division of the Corps of Engineers has been assigned the responsibility of supervising the inspection of dams within the New England Region. Anderson-Nichols & Company, Inc. has been retained by the New England Division to inspect and report on selected dams in the State of New Hampshire. Authorization and notice to proceed were issued to Anderson-Nichols under a letter of August 28, 1979 from William E. Hodgson, Colonel, Corps of Engineers. Contract No. DACW33-79-C-0050, as changed, has been assigned by the Corps of Engineers for this work.

b. Purpose

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

(2) To encourage and prepare the States to initiate quickly effective dam safety programs for non-Federal dams.

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

1.2 Description of Project

a. Location. Little River Lower Dam, commonly called Lower Dam, is located on the boundary of the Town of Belfast and the Town of Northport, Maine; the dam spans Little River approximately 700 feet upstream from the river's confluence with the Atlantic Ocean. The dam impounds a pond called Belfast Reservoir Number 1. After discharging at the damsite, Little River flows easterly into Penobscot Bay in the Atlantic Ocean. Little River Lower Dam is shown on the U.S.G.S. Quadrangle, Searsport, Maine with coordinates approximately at N 44° 23' 42", W 68° 59' 24", Waldo County, Maine. (See Location Map page vii.)

b. Description of Dam and Appurtenances. Little River Lower Dam is a low, run-of-river dam which impounds a reservoir

of small size. It is a concrete and dry-stone-masonry dam, about 30 feet high (hydraulic) and 126 feet long, with a 91-foot long ogee spillway section which makes a smooth transition into a slightly sloping spillway apron. At its downstream end, the spillway apron discharges over a vertical dry-stone-masonry wall about 11 feet high.

At the south end of the dam there is a concrete retaining wall. The wall extends downstream 36 feet (width of the spillway and apron) then bends at right angle towards south abutment for a distance of 12 feet and then again continues downstream for the next 14 feet. At the downstream side of the concrete retaining wall it can be observed that the wall is founded on bedrock. Soil lies against the upstream and landward sides of the retaining wall. At the north end of the dam there is a massive intake structure which appears to be dry-stone-masonry encased in concrete on the top, upstream face, and river side face. A stone masonry training wall, partially faced with concrete supports the north bank of the upstream approach channel. The training wall extends for 24 feet perpendicular to the spillway and then bends slightly toward the center of the upstream channel to the next 24 feet. On the north bank of the downstream channel there is a concrete-faced dry-stone-masonry wall which, in the lower section, is not faced with concrete. Located in the lower section of the downstream retaining wall is an outlet channel for the intake structure. This outlet is plugged with sand and gravel to about one-third of its height. A pump station building and a filter house for a water supply system is located immediately downstream of the north abutment. A concrete wall which exists on the river side of these buildings is an extension to the downstream retaining wall. The gate operating mechanism on the north abutment is inoperable; the gate size and type is unknown. Its outlet is a 5-foot diameter steel pipe that exits at the bottom of the training wall on the north bank of the downstream channel. The average daily intake through the water supply pump is about 275 gpm.

c. Size Classification. Small (hydraulic height - 30 feet; storage - 615 acre-feet) based on height and storage (height  $\geq$  25 to  $<$  40 feet and storage  $\geq$  50 to  $<$  1000 acre-feet) as given in the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams.

d. Hazard Classification. Significant hazard. A major breach would probably not result in the loss of lives, but could cause appreciable property damage and loss of the reservoir and water supply of the Town of Belfast. (See Section 5.1 f.)

e. Ownership. Little River Lower Dam is owned by Belfast Water District.

f. Operator. The current owner and operator of the dam is Belfast Water District, 71 Church Street, Belfast, Maine. Telephone: (207) 338-1200.

g. Purpose of Dam. Water impounded at Little River Lower Dam is used as a water supply reservoir.

h. Design and Construction History. The original stone masonry dam was built in 1887 and was breached in 1941. In 1943 a new dam was built about 15 feet downstream of the old dam crest. Some parts of the original dam were used to build the new dam. Gunitite patchwork was done on the dam face about two years ago. This historical information was obtained orally from the Belfast Water District Superintendent, Mr. Milford Rhodes, during the visual inspection. No other information regarding the original design or construction of the dam was disclosed.

i. Normal Operating Procedures. No written operational procedures exist for Little River Lower Dam. Operating procedures are restricted to water supply operation. There are two 8-inch pipes leading to a wet well which has one 10-inch supply line. The average daily supply amounts to 275 gpm.

### 1.3 Pertinent Data

a. Drainage Area. The drainage area consists of 16.8 square miles (10,752 acres) of rolling and partially wooded terrain. 3.1 square miles is intermediate drainage area and 13.7 square miles is drainage for Little River Upper Dam, which is located about 4,900 feet upstream. The normal pool has a surface area of 37 acres which constitutes less than 1 percent of the watershed.

#### b. Discharge at Damsite

- (1) Outlet works (a) - unknown gate size - gate is not now operable
  - (b) - two 8-inch diameter intake pipes for water supply
- (2) The maximum known discharge for this dam was in the 1950's when high water flowed over the abutments and filter house. No elevation for this incident was available.
- (3) Ungated spillway capacity @ top of dam elevation - 3,665 cfs @ 30.3' MSL
- (4) Ungated spillway capacity @ test flood elevation - 12,018 cfs @ 36.7' MSL
- (5) Gated spillway capacity @ top of dam elevation - not applicable
- (6) Gated spillway capacity @ test flood elevation - not applicable
- (7) Total spillway capacity @ test flood elevation - 12,018 cfs @ 36.7' MSL

VISUAL INSPECTION CHECKLIST  
PARTY ORGANIZATION

PROJECT Little River Lower Dam, Me.

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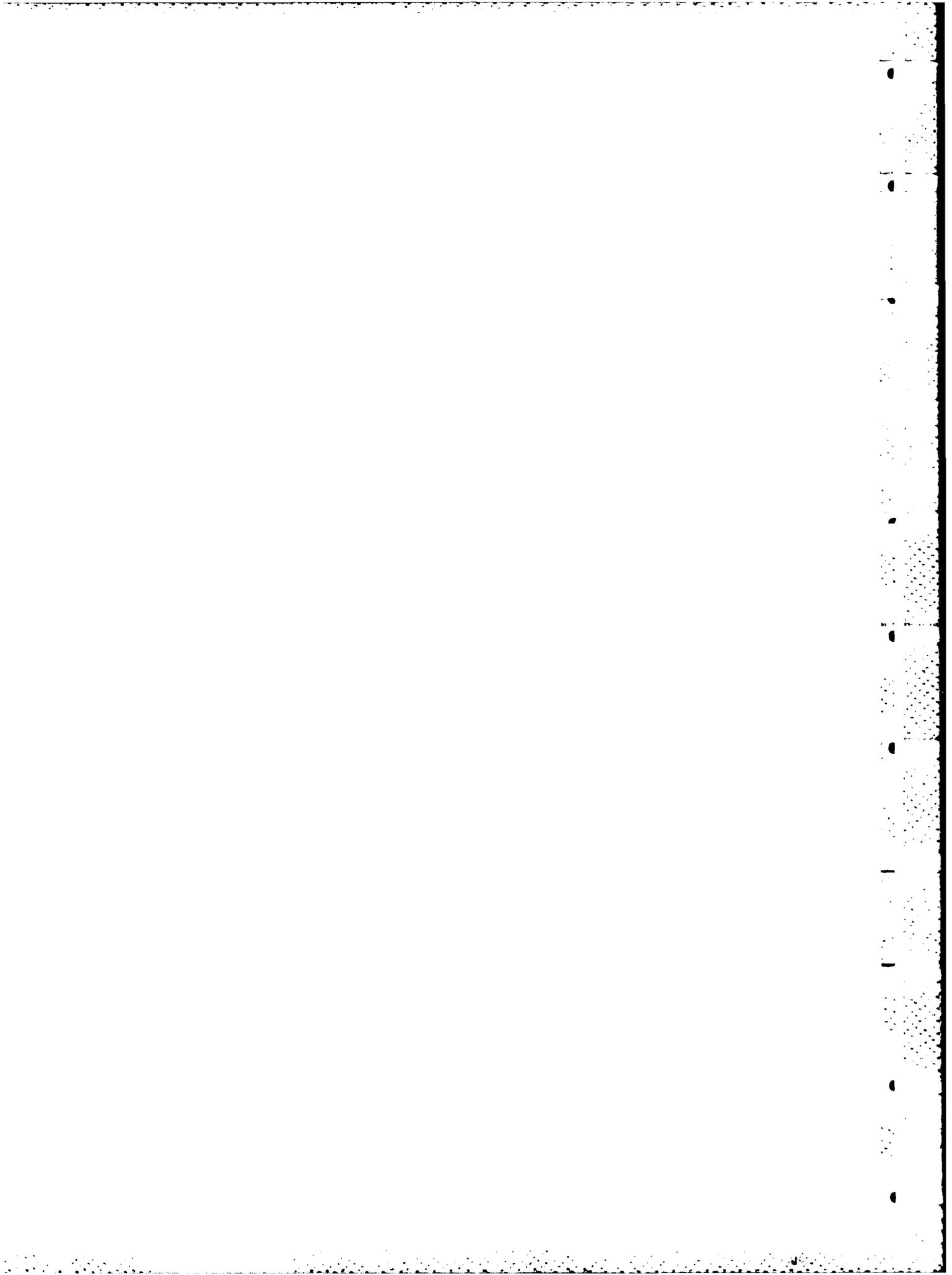
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PROJECT FEATURE	INSPECTED BY	REMARKS
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APPENDIX A  
VISUAL INSPECTION CHECKLIST

- (2) Clear the sand and gravel that partially block the discharge end of the low-level outlet pipe.
- (3) Inspect visually the dam and appurtenant structures once a month.
- (4) Engage a Registered Professional Engineer to make a comprehensive technical inspection of the dam once a year.
- (5) Establish a surveillance program for use during and immediately after heavy rainfall and also a warning program to follow in case of emergency conditions.

#### 7.4 Alternatives

None.

SECTION 7  
ASSESSMENT, RECOMMENDATIONS, AND REMEDIAL MEASURES

7.1 Dam Assessment

a. Condition. The visual examination indicates that Little River Lower Dam is in fair condition. The major concerns with respect to the integrity of the dam, if left uncorrected, are:

- (1) Erosion on the upstream and downstream sides of the south concrete abutment block.
- (2) Deterioration of the dry-stone-masonry walls at the downstream edge of the spillway apron, on the north bank of the upstream channel, and on the north bank of the downstream channel.

b. Adequacy of Information. The information available is such that the assessment of this dam must be based primarily on the results of the visual inspection.

c. Urgency. The recommendations made in 7.2 and 7.3 should be implemented by the owner within one year after receipt of this Phase I report.

d. Need for Additional Investigation. No additional investigation for the purposes of this Phase I investigation is needed.

7.2 Recommendations

The owner should engage a Registered Professional Engineer to:

- (1) Design and implement repairs for the dry-stone-masonry walls at the downstream edge of the spillway apron, on the north bank of the upstream channel, and on the north bank of the downstream channel.
- (2) Design and implement repairs for the erosion on the upstream and downstream sides of the right concrete abutment block.
- (3) Design repairs to the low-level outlet gate, operating mechanism, and outlet pipe as required.

7.3 Remedial Measures

a. Operating and Maintenance Procedures. The owner should:

- (1) Remove trees and brush from the right bank of the downstream channel between the dam and the highway bridge.

SECTION 6  
STRUCTURAL STABILITY

6.1 Evaluation of Structural Stability

a. Visual Observations. Erosion on the upstream and downstream sides of the south concrete abutment shell, if not corrected, could have an adverse effect on the stability of the abutment.

Deterioration of the dry-stone-masonry walls at the downstream edge of the spillway apron, on the north bank of the downstream channel, and on the north bank of the upstream channel, if not corrected, could result in erosion and undermining of the dam and the north abutment.

b. Design and Construction Data. No design and construction data are available.

c. Operating Records. No written operational procedures exist for Little River Lower Dam. Operating procedures are restricted to water supply operation.

d. Post-Construction Changes. See Section 1.2 h.

e. Seismic Stability. This dam is located in Seismic Zone 2 and, in accordance with the Phase I guidelines, does not warrant seismic analysis.

cfs at elevation 36.7' NGVD. The test flood analysis indicates that the dam embankment would be overtopped by approximately 6.4 feet during the test flood conditions. The spillway capacity at top of dam is 3,665 cfs which is 24 percent of the routed test flood discharge. Flow through the water supply pump which averages daily about 275 gpm is insignificant for this study. Because of the inoperable gate condition, overtopping analyses were calculated assuming gate closed.

f. Dam Failure Analysis. The impact of failure of the dam at the top of dam was assessed using the Guidance for Estimating Downstream Dam Failure Hydrographs issued by the Corps of Engineers. The analysis covered the reach extending from the dam to the Atlantic Ocean, a distance of 700 feet along Little River. A major breach of Little River Lower Dam would discharge about 14,780 cfs. The discharge from the dam just prior to failure would be 3,665 cfs or maximum spillway capacity. A breach would cause an increase in stage of 6.3 feet in addition to the 8.2-foot antecedent stage from the dam to the U.S. Route 1 bridge. This increase could cause damage to the water treatment facilities. The U.S. Route 1 bridge would pass the breach discharge without overtopping but this discharge could possibly cause structural damage to the bridge. In the reach from the bridge to the Atlantic Ocean, a distance of 300 feet, an increase in stage of 9 feet in addition to the 10-foot antecedent stage would probably occur. An historic home which also houses a doctor's and optician's office is located on the north bank of the channel just downstream of the U.S. Route 1 bridge. The sill of this home is about 19 feet above channel bottom. Possible damage may occur to this home and the parking lot beside it. The breach could also cause loss of reservoir for use in water supply and therefore poses a hazard to a public utility. There would probably be no loss of life, but it could cause appreciable property damage. Therefore, Little River Lower Dam was classified Significant Hazard.

SECTION 5  
HYDROLOGIC/HYDRAULIC

5.1 Evaluation of Features

a. General. Little River Lower Dam is a concrete and dry-stone-masonry dam with an ogee spillway section which makes a smooth transition into a slightly sloping spillway apron. Discharge is over the vertical dry-stone-masonry wall at its downstream end. The dam impounds a reservoir of small size (maximum storage capacity 615 acre-feet) which is used for water supply. The drainage area at the dam consists of 16.8 square miles of mountainous terrain. Reservoir Number 2, impounded by the Upper Dam, is located 0.42 miles upstream. A gate of unknown size is located at the north abutment. The gate mechanism is rusted and not operable. The gate was designed to control discharge through an outlet channel which is plugged with sand and gravel to about one-third of its height. Also at the north abutment, there are two 8-inch intake pipes for the water supply pump. Intake through the water supply pump averages daily about 275 gpm. The reservoir level is controlled by the spillway which is located at the center of the dam.

b. Design Data. No hydrologic or hydraulic experience data were found.

c. Experience Data. No hydrologic or hydraulic experience data were disclosed. Only oral information from the retired Superintendent of the Belfast Water District was available. He described the discharge in the 1950's when high water flowed over the abutments and filter house. No elevation of this incident was available.

d. Visual Observations. At the time of the inspection, no visual evidence was noted of damage to the structure caused by overtopping.

e. Test Flood Analysis. Little River Lower Dam is classified as being small size having a hydraulic height of 30 feet and a maximum storage capacity of 615 acre-feet. The dam was determined to have a significant hazard classification. Using the Recommended Guidelines for Safety Inspection of Dams, the test flood ranged from  $\frac{1}{4}$  to  $\frac{1}{2}$  the Probable Maximum Flood (PMF). Because the dam's storage capacity is in the upper end of the size classification, the  $\frac{1}{2}$  PMF was chosen as the test flood.

Using the  $\frac{1}{2}$  PMF, the test flood inflow for Little River Lower Dam was determined to be 15,920 cfs. The total drainage area is 16.8 square miles, but only 3.1 square miles is intermediate drainage for Little River Lower Dam. Therefore, inflow to Little River Lower Dam is the sum of the routed outflow from Little River Upper Dam and inflow from the intermediate drainage area using the 'mountainous' COE guide curve. The routed outflow value from the Upper Dam was taken from the Little River Upper Dam Phase I inspection report. After routing, the test flood discharge was determined to be 15,000

SECTION 4  
OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES

4.1 Procedures

No written operational procedures exist for Little River Lower Dam. Operating procedures are restricted to water supply operation. There are two 8-inch pipes leading to a wet well which has one 10-inch supply line. The normal daily usage is 275 gpm.

4.2 Maintenance of Dam

The owner, Belfast Water District, is responsible for the maintenance of the dam.

4.3 Maintenance of Operating Facilities

No formal maintenance procedure was disclosed. The Superintendent of the Belfast Water District reported that the low-level gate mechanism is inoperable and has not been operated for over 24 years. Maintenance facilities apply to the water supply station. Someone from the Belfast Water District is on duty at the dam site in the daytime during the weekdays.

4.4 Description of Any Warning System in Effect

No written warning system exists for the dam.

4.5 Evaluation

Formal operational and maintenance procedures should be developed to ensure that problems that are encountered can be remedied within a reasonable period of time.

the approximately 8-inch thick concrete cap which is severely cracked. (See Appendix C - Figure 9.)

A 5-foot-diameter steel pipe exits at the bottom of the training wall on the north bank of the downstream channel. The outlet of the pipe is plugged with sand and gravel to about one-third of its height. (See Appendix C - Figure 9.) The gate mechanism on the north abutment is inoperable; the gate size is unknown. (See Appendix C - Figure 4.) The mechanism is in poor condition with no indication of maintenance. A pump station building and a filter house for a water supply system is located integrally with the north abutment. A concrete wall which exists on the river side of these buildings is an extension to the downstream retaining wall. (See Appendix C - Figure 10.)

d. Reservoir Area. The watershed above the reservoir is rolling and partially wooded. (See Appendix C - Figure 11.) No structures were observed on the shore of the reservoir. No evidence of significant sedimentation in the reservoir was observed.

e. Downstream Channel. The downstream channel is bedrock. Trees overhang the south side of the channel. About 400 feet downstream of the dam is the U.S. Route 1 bridge that crosses the channel. (See Appendix C - Figure 12.) Little River discharges into Penobscot Bay through a channel lined with well-placed derrick stone. (See Appendix C - Figure 13.)

### 3.2 Evaluation

Based on the visual inspection, Little River Lower Dam is in fair condition. Erosion on the upstream and downstream sides of the south concrete abutment shell, if not corrected, could have an adverse effect on the stability of the abutment.

Deterioration of the dry-stone-masonry walls at the downstream edge of the spillway apron, on the north bank of the downstream channel, and on the north bank of the upstream channel, if not corrected, could result in erosion and undermining of the dam and the north abutment. Also, cracked concrete cap on the lower part of north abutment poses a dangerous condition to people walking on the top of the wall.

The inoperable gate and low-level outlet provides no means of draining the reservoir.

SECTION 3  
VISUAL INSPECTION

3.1 Findings

a. General. Little River Lower Dam is a low, run-of-river dam which impounds a reservoir of small size. The watershed above the reservoir is rolling and partially wooded. Little River discharges into Penobscot Bay about 700 feet downstream of the dam.

b. Dam. Little River Lower Dam is a concrete and dry-stone-masonry dam, about 30 feet high (hydraulic) and 126 feet long, with a 91-foot long ogee spillway section which makes a smooth transition into a slightly sloping spillway apron. At its downstream end, the spillway apron discharges over a vertical dry-stone-masonry wall about 11 feet high. (See Appendix C - Figure 2.) This vertical dry-stone-masonry wall has two openings, but it cannot be determined from the visual inspection whether these openings are built into the original wall or whether they are the result of blocks of rock having fallen out.

At the north end of the dam there is a massive intake structure which appears to be dry-stone-masonry encased in concrete on the top, upstream face, and river-side face. (See Appendix C - Figures 3 & 4.) The downstream face is dry-stone-masonry. (See sketch plan, Appendix B.)

At the south end of the dam there is a concrete abutment shell. (See Appendix C - Figure 5.) Bedrock is exposed at the downstream side of the concrete abutment. (See Appendix C - Figure 6.) Soil rests against both the upstream and landward sides of the concrete abutment shell. (See Appendix C - Figure 7.) Minor erosion is occurring in the soil immediately adjacent to the upstream side of the concrete abutment shell. Major erosion and sloughing of the soil cover, down to bedrock, is occurring immediately adjacent to the downstream side of the shell. (See Appendix C - Figure 6.) A weephole is located on the downstream face of this shell and it was discharging a small amount of water at the time of the inspection.

c. Appurtenant Structures. A stone masonry training wall, partially faced with concrete which is in poor condition, supports the north bank of the upstream approach channel. (See Appendix C - Figure 8.)

On the north bank of the downstream channel there is a concrete-faced dry-stone-masonry wall. The lower, dry-stone-masonry section of the wall is in poor condition and several blocks of rock are missing from the wall. This causes lack of support to

SECTION 2  
ENGINEERING DATA

2.1 Design

No design data were disclosed for Little River Lower Dam.

2.2 Construction

No construction records were disclosed.

2.3 Operation

No engineering operational data were obtained.

2.4 Evaluation

a. Availability. No engineering data were available for Little River Lower Dam. Direct contact with the Belfast Water District and a search of the files at the Maine Soil and Water Conservation Commission revealed only a limited amount of information.

b. Adequacy. The final assessments and recommendations of this investigation are based on the visual inspection and the hydrologic and hydraulic calculations.

c. Validity. No engineering data were disclosed to validate.



(8) Total project discharge @ test flood elevation -  
15,000 cfs @ 36.7' MSL

c. Elevation (feet above MSL; see (6) below)

- (1) Streambed at centerline of dam - 0.3 (at downstream toe, 1.0 foot deep pool)
- (2) Maximum tailwater - unknown
- (3) Upstream valve chamber invert - unknown
- (4) Recreation pool - not applicable
- (5) Full flood control pool - not applicable
- (6) Spillway crest - 25 (estimated from U.S.G.S. Quadrangle sheet)
- (7) Design surcharge (original design) - unknown
- (8) Top of dam - 30.3
- (9) Test flood pool - 36.7

d. Reservoir (miles)

- (1) Length of maximum pool - 0.66
- (2) Length of spillway crest pool - 0.51
- (3) Length of flood control pool - not applicable

e. Storage (acre-feet)

- (1) Recreation pool - not applicable
- (2) Flood control pool - not applicable
- (3) Spillway crest pool - 370
- (4) Top of dam - 615
- (5) Test flood pool - 910

f. Reservoir Surface (acres)

- (1) Recreation pool - not applicable
- (2) Flood control pool - not applicable
- (3) Spillway crest - 37
- (4) Test flood pool - 52
- (5) Top of Dam - 46

PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECKLIST

PROJECT Little River Lower Dam, Me. DATE September 17, 1979

PROJECT FEATURE Intake Channel and Structure NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - INTAKE CHANNEL AND INTAKE STRUCTURE</u></p> <p>a. Approach Channel</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Slope Conditions</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Bottom Conditions</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Rock Slides or Falls</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Log Boom</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Debris</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Condition of Concrete Lining</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Drains or Weep Holes</p> <p>b. Intake Structure</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Condition of Concrete</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">Stop Logs and Slots</p>	<p>Good</p> <p>Not visible beneath lake surface</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>Not visible beneath lake surface</p> <p>None observed</p> <p>Not visible beneath lake surface</p> <p>None</p>



PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECKLIST

PROJECT Little River Lower Dam, Me. DATE September 17, 1979  
 PROJECT FEATURE Outlet Structure and Channel NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
 DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - OUTLET STRUCTURE AND OUTLET CHANNEL</u></p> <p>General Condition of Stone Masonry</p> <p>Rust or Staining</p> <p>Spalling</p> <p>Erosion or Cavitation</p> <p>Visible Reinforcing</p> <p>Any Seepage or Efflorescence</p> <p>Condition at Joints</p> <p>Drain holes</p> <p>Channel</p> <p>Loose Rock or Trees Overhanging Channel</p> <p>Condition of Discharge Channel</p>	<p>North stone masonry wall has several large stones missing from wall.</p> <p>Downstream wall above tailrace is badly spalled and cracked.</p> <p>None</p> <p>None</p> <p>Considerable movement where wall is cracked.</p> <p>One weep hole discharging water in concrete block south abutment.</p> <p>Brush and a few trees overhanging channel immediately upstream.</p> <p>Good</p>

PERIODIC INSPECTION CHECKLIST

PROJECT Little River Lower Dam, Me. DATE September 17, 1979

PROJECT FEATURE Spillway Weir NAME \_\_\_\_\_

DISCIPLINE \_\_\_\_\_ NAME \_\_\_\_\_

AREA EVALUATED	CONDITION
<p><u>OUTLET WORKS - SPILLWAY WEIR, APPROACH AND DISCHARGE CHANNELS</u></p> <p>a. Approach Channel</p> <p>    General Condition</p> <p>    Loose Rock Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Trees Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Floor of Approach Channel</p> <p>b. Weir and Training Walls</p> <p>    General Condition of Concrete</p> <p>    Rust or Staining</p> <p>    Spalling</p> <p>    Any Visible Reinforcing</p> <p>    Any Seepage or Efflorescence</p> <p>    Drain Holes</p> <p>c. Discharge Channel</p> <p>    General Condition</p> <p>    Loose Rock Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Trees Overhanging Channel</p> <p>    Floor of Channel</p> <p>    Other Obstructions</p>	<p>Good</p> <p>None</p> <p>A few trees</p> <p>Not visible beneath lake surface.</p> <p>Weir-good-only surface erosion of face some erosion of construction joints Training walls-poor-considerable erosion and spalling on faces, south wall cracked with ½" movement. Some on face of weir and retaining walls.</p> <p>None</p> <p>None visible</p> <p>One weep hole discharging water from concrete south-abutment block.</p> <p>Good</p> <p>None, but soil on top of bedrock is eroding immediately downstream of right abutment. Some trees overhanging right side of channel. Bedrock (phyllite) and chips of decomposed phyllite. Bridge carrying Route 1 across downstream channel.</p>

PROJECT Little River Lower Dam, Me.

DATE September 17, 1979

PROJECT FEATURE Reservoir

NAME

AREA EVALUATED	REMARKS
Stability of Shoreline	Upstream-good
Sedimentation	Downstream-phyllite and muds by south abutment eroded. A large field would wash much of the lower south side away.
Changes in Watershed	Not much ground cover.
Runoff Potential	Not visible below water surface
Upstream Hazards	None
Downstream Hazards	Filter house-bridge-house past bridge
Alert Facilities	None
Hydrometeorological Gages	Staff gage
Operational & Maintenance Regulations	None posted

APPENDIX B  
ENGINEERING DATA

APPLICATION FOR DAM REGISTRATION

Dam Registration Number 5090  
Date Received DEC 15 1975 *pg 2*  
Fee Enclosed 10.00  
Quad Sheet Name Castine  
Quad Sheet Number M 10  
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Location:  
County: Waldo  
Municipality: Quasi-Municipal Belfast Water District  
Name of Dam: Lower Reservoir Dam  
Name of Impoundment: Reservoir #1

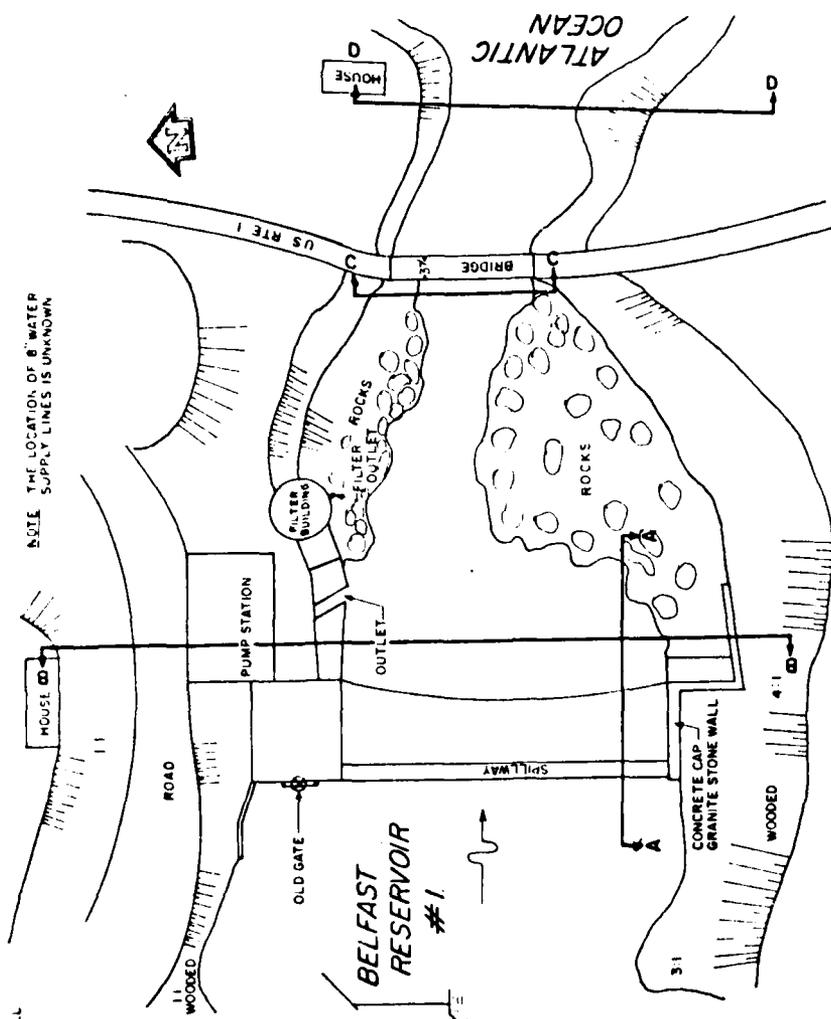
Ownership:  
Name of Owner: Belfast Water District  
Address of Owner: 71 Church Street  
Belfast, Maine 04915  
Telephone Number: 338-1200

Name of Agent: \_\_\_\_\_  
(if different from Owner)  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Description of Dam  
Type: Arched Concrete  
Construction Material: Concrete  
(Concrete, wood, earth)  
Year Originally built: 1944 Year last major repair: 1968  
Height: 25 ft. Width: 175 ft.  
Spillway type: open Spillway Width: 70 ft.  
Impounding Capacity: 57,000,000 gallons Drawdown available: 10  
(Acres-feet) (feet)  
Fish Passage available?: no Installed Electrical Generating Cap: ---  
Purposes for which stored water is used: Public drinking supply

Most recent inspection by Qualified Engineer (Date): August 1972  
Name and Address of Engineer: Dale E. Caruthers - (Deceased)  
Masonic Building, Gorham, Maine 04038

Other Permits applicable: ----



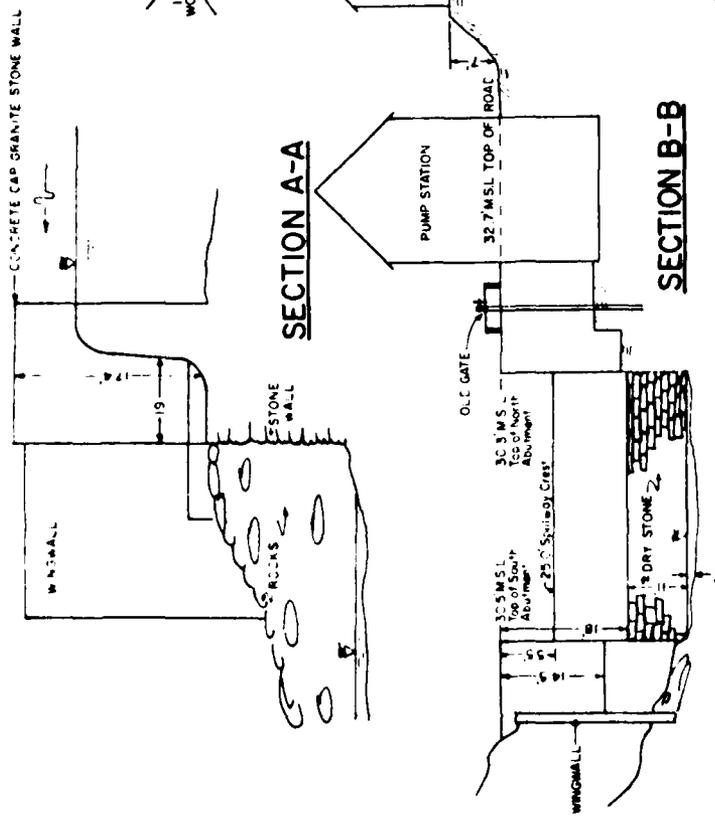
NOTE THE LOCATION OF WATER SUPPLY LINES IS UNKNOWN

**PLAN**

NOTE: ELEVATIONS ARE BASED ON SPILLWAY CREST ASSUMED ELEVATION OF 25' MSL DATUM (NGVD)

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ENGINEER	ANDERSON-NICHOLS & CO., INC. CORPS OF ENGINEERS WALTHAM, MA
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SCALE NOT TO SCALE	DATE NOVEMBER 1979

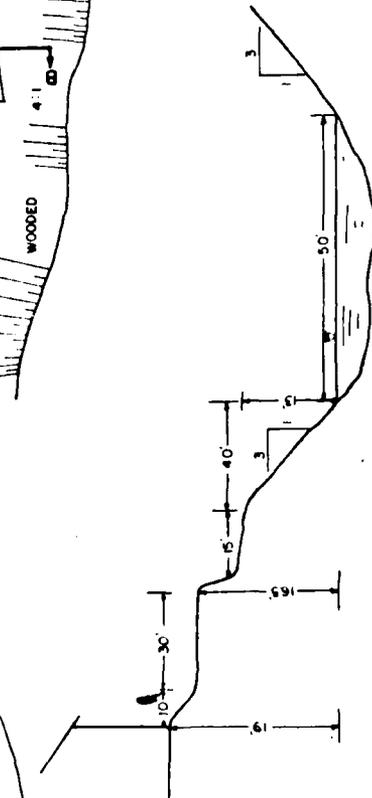
FIGURE B-1



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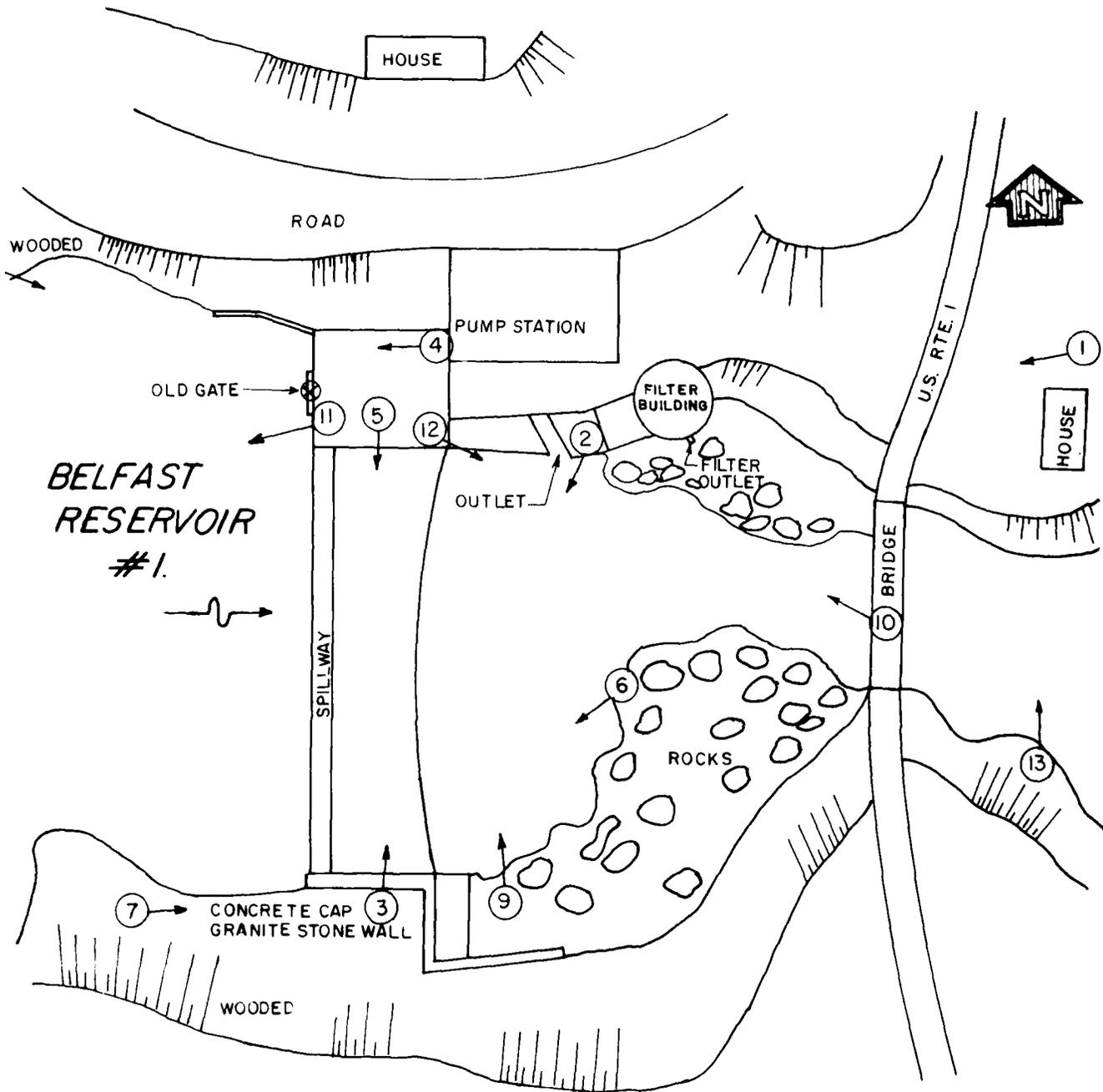
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**SECTION C-C**



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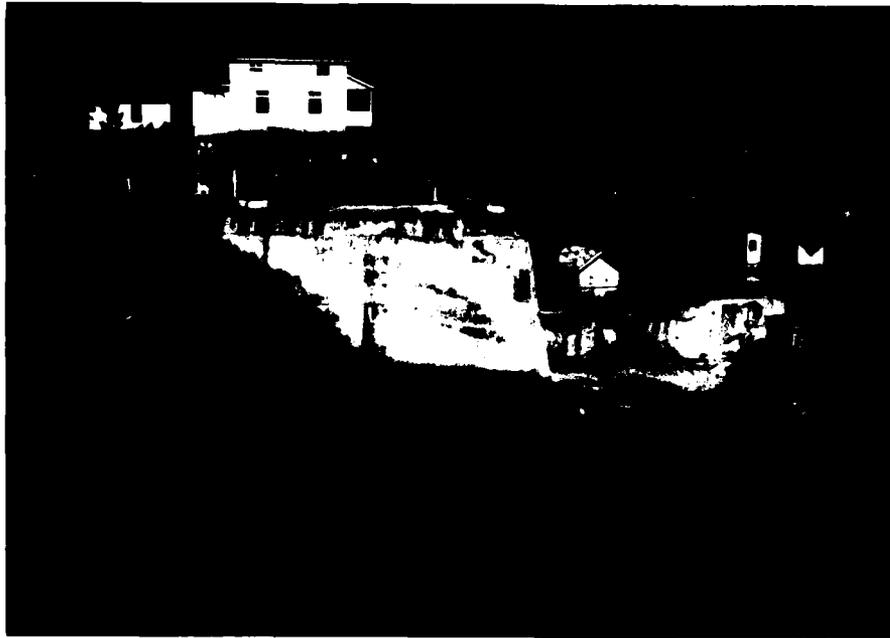
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PHOTOGRAPHS



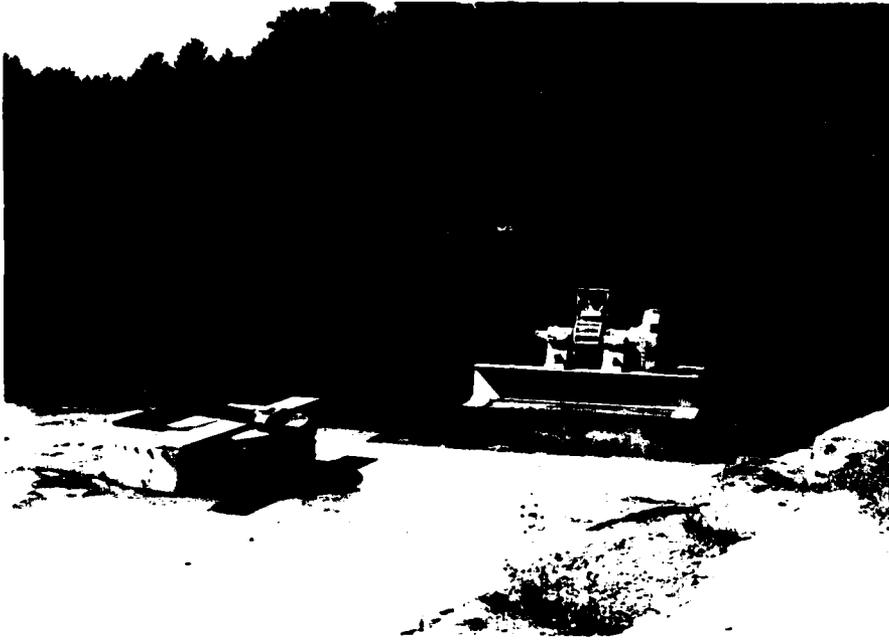
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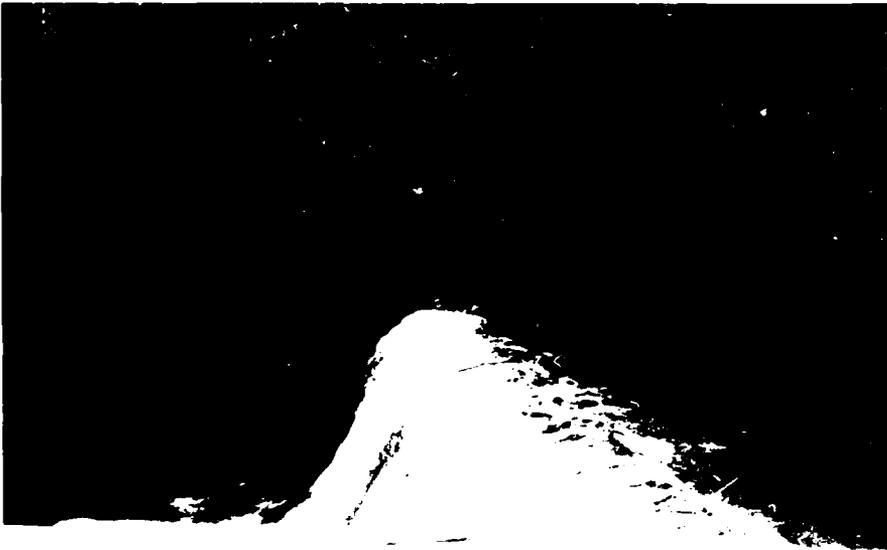
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Figure 2 - Downstream face of the dam.



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Figure 3 - Looking across the crest at north abutment.



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Figure 4 - Gate mechanism at the north abutment.



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Figure 5 - Looking across the spillway crest at  
south abutment.



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Figure 6 - Downstream face of south abutment of the dam. Note bedrock.



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Figure 7 - View of the adjacent earth to the upstream side of south abutment.



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Figure 8 - View of upstream side of the north  
abutment.

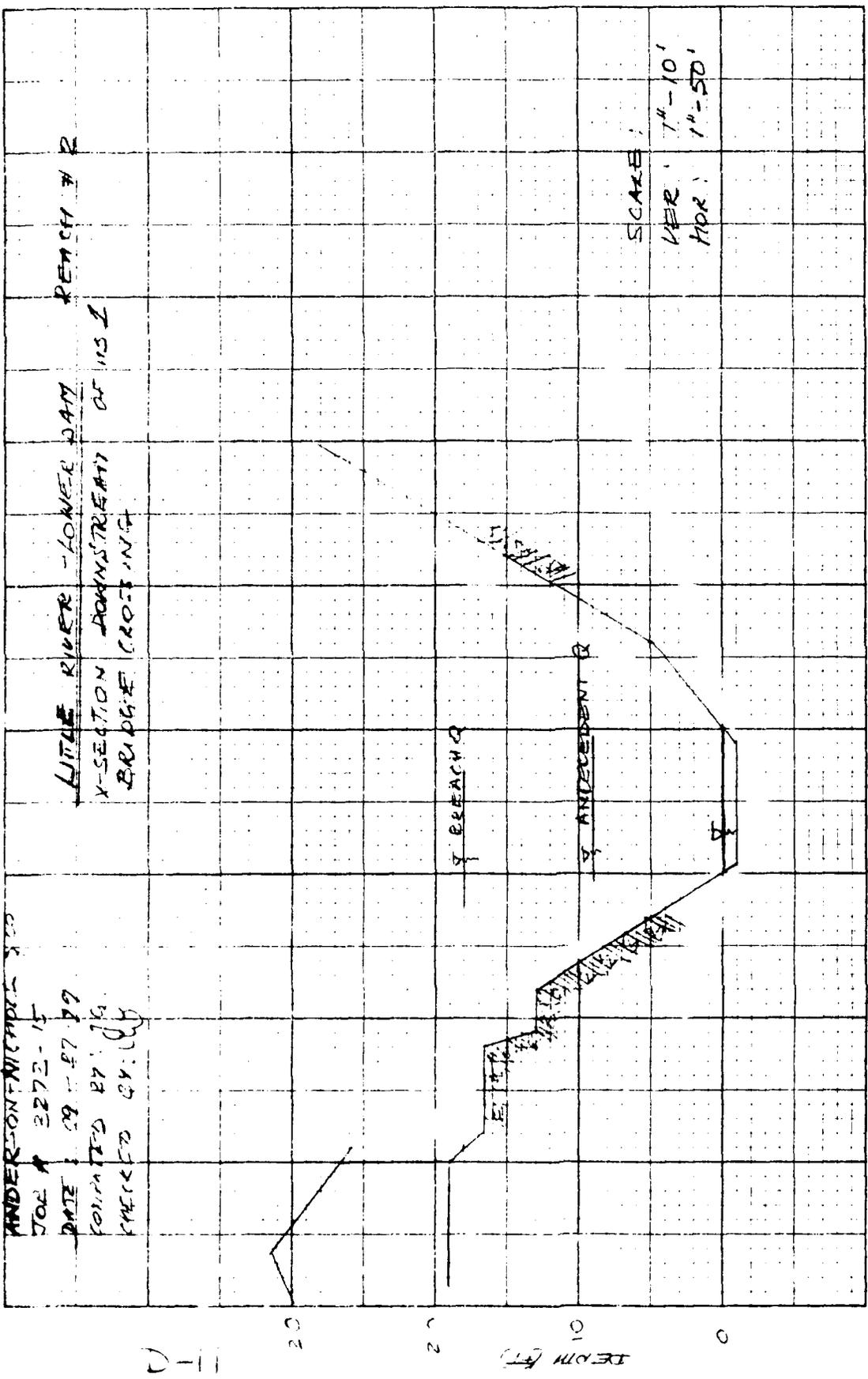


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Figure 9 - Dry-stone-masonry wall at north bank of  
the downstream channel.

UNDER-CONSTRUCTION  
 JOB # 3272-15  
 DATE: 09-27-77  
 COMPUTED BY: JG  
 CHECKED BY: (initials)

LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM  
 X-SECTION ADMINISTRATION OF US I  
 BRIDGE CROSSING

SCALE:  
 VER: 1"=10'  
 HOR: 1"=50'



DISTANCE (FT)

DEPTH (FT)

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LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM

BRACH ANALYSIS - CONT'D

REACH # 2

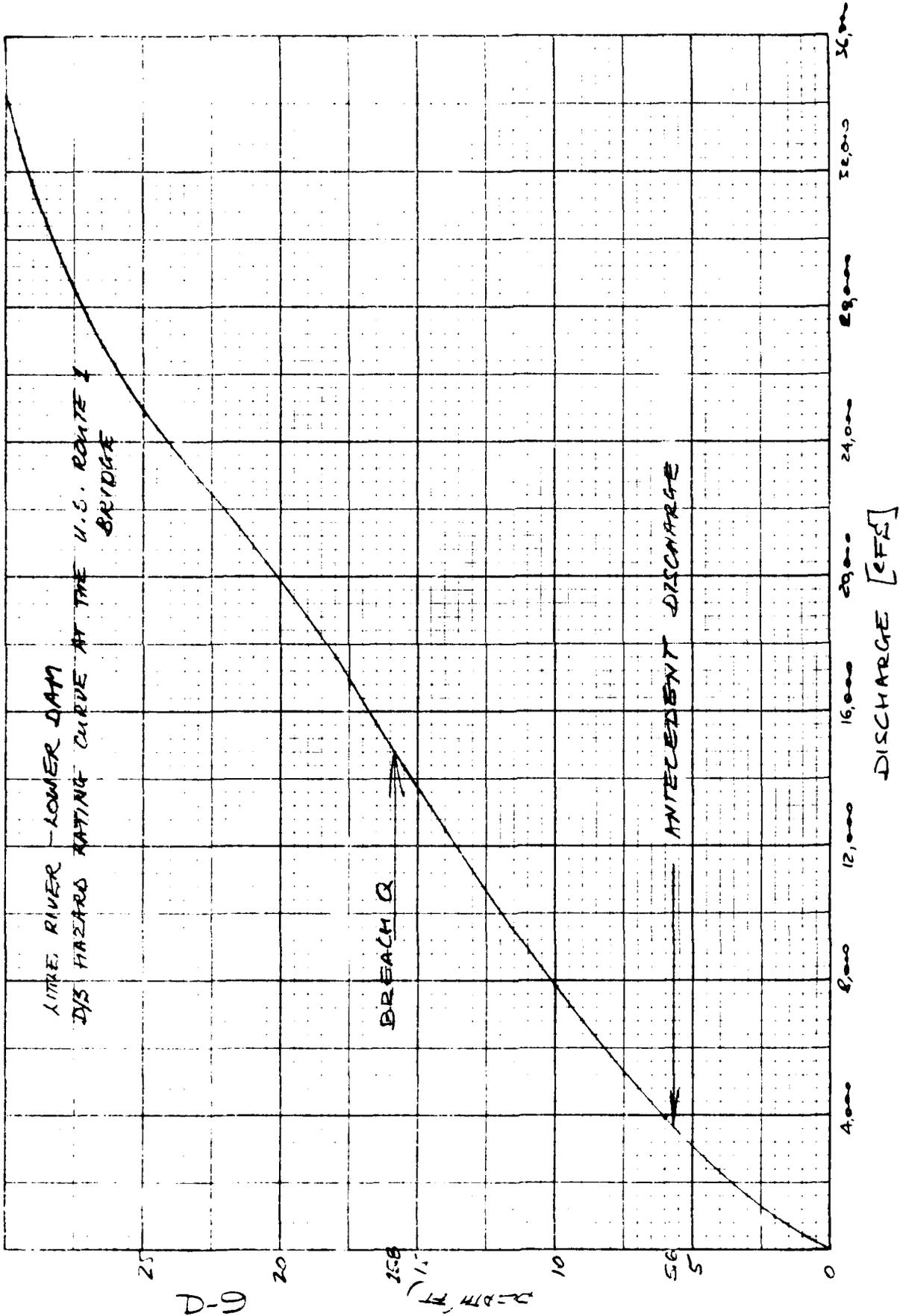
USE A TYPICAL CROSS SECTION ALONG THE DOWN-  
-STREAM REACH FROM THE BRIDGE (US 1) TO  
CONTINUENCE WITH ATLANTIC OCEAN FOR A DISTANCE  
OF 300 FEET.

DEVELOP A RATING CURVE FOR THIS SECTION  
BY USE OF MANNING'S EQUATION:  $Q = \frac{1.49}{n} \times A \times R^{2/3} \times S^{1/2}$

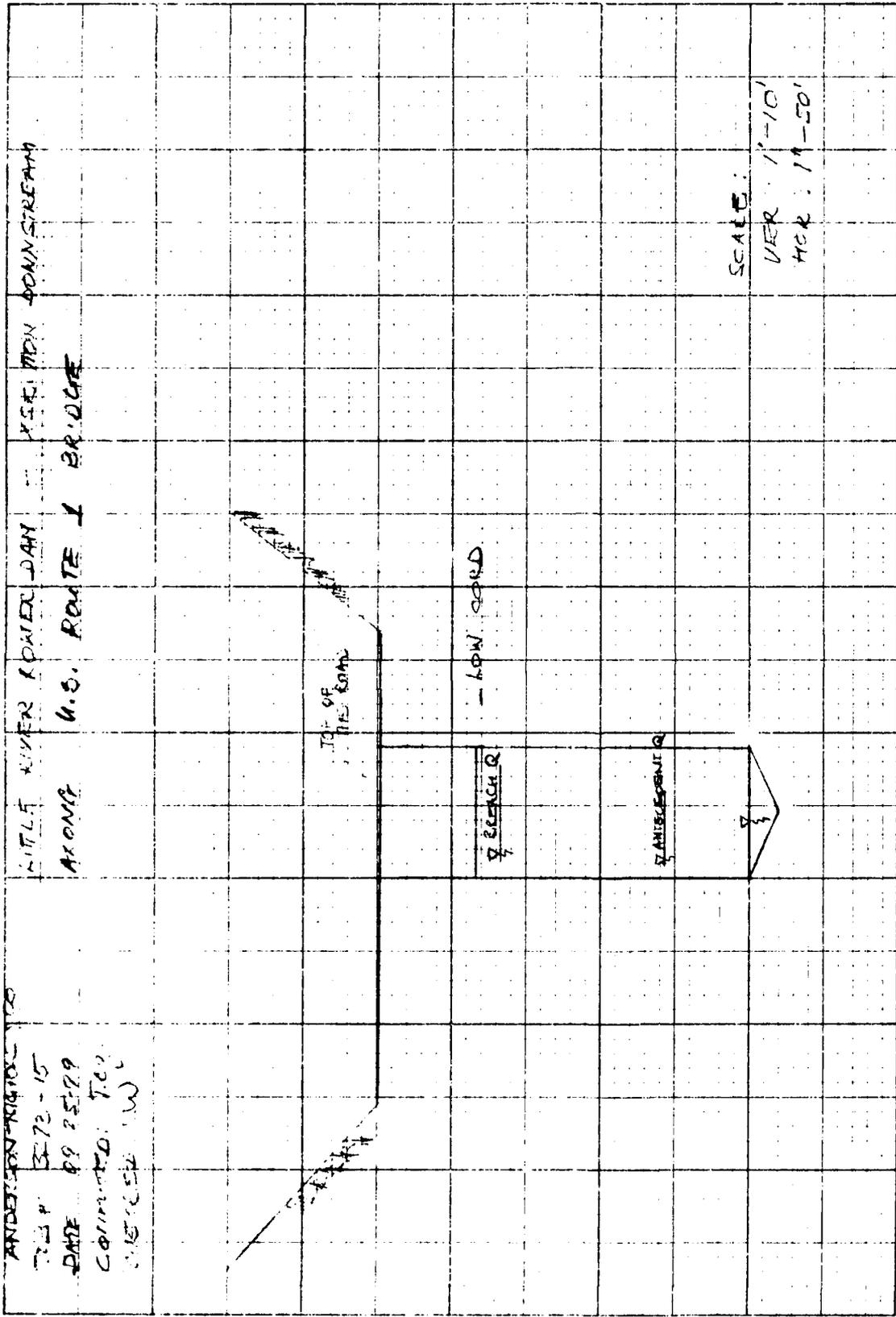
$n = .05$

$S = .0025$

DEPTH [FT]	AREA	WPER	Q [CFS]
0	0	0	0
4	242	82	736
8	628	111	2932
12	1113	137	6618
16	1720	174	11648
20	2490	226	18105



G-D



DISTANCE IN FEET

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 ELEVATION IN FEET

JOB NO. 3273-16

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LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM

BREACH ANALYSIS - CONT'D

PRESSURE FLOW - AREA - 855 SQFT C - .92

ELEV. [FTMSL]	H. [FT]	$Q = AC \sqrt{2gh}$ [CFS]
25.	15.5	24,852
27.	17.5	26,407
30.	20.5	28,580
35.	35.5	37,610

WEIR FLOW - C = 2.8

ELEV. [FTMSL]	L [FT]	H [FT]	$Q = C \cdot L \cdot H^{3/2}$ [CFS]
25.	0	0	0
27.	170	2	1346.
30.	180	5	5635.
35.	200	10	17709.

SUMMARY - ELEV. [FTMSL]	Q [CFS]
2	1,022
6	3,929
10	7,869
14	12,505
18	17,647
25	24,852
27	27,753
30	34,215
35	55,319

JOB NO. 3273-16

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LITTLE RIVER TOWER DAM

BREACH ANALYSIS - CONT'D

DEVELOP A RATING CURVE FOR THE X-SECTION ALONG  
THE U.S. ROUTE 1 BRIDGE 400 FEET DOWNSTREAM FROM DAM

LOW FLOW —

"C" VALUES: .925 FOR CONC. WALL

.935 FOR BOTTOM

SLP = 1:0.8

ELEV. (FATHOMS)	AREA	W	Q
2	134.7	49.1	1,022
6	314.5	57.1	3,929
10	494.5	65.1	7,869
14	674.6	73.1	12,505
18	854.9	81.1	17,647

PRESSURE } WEIR FLOW

C - VALUE CALCULATION FOR PRESSURE FLOW:

$$K_1 = \frac{2.48 + 0.2 \times 1}{R^{.413}}$$

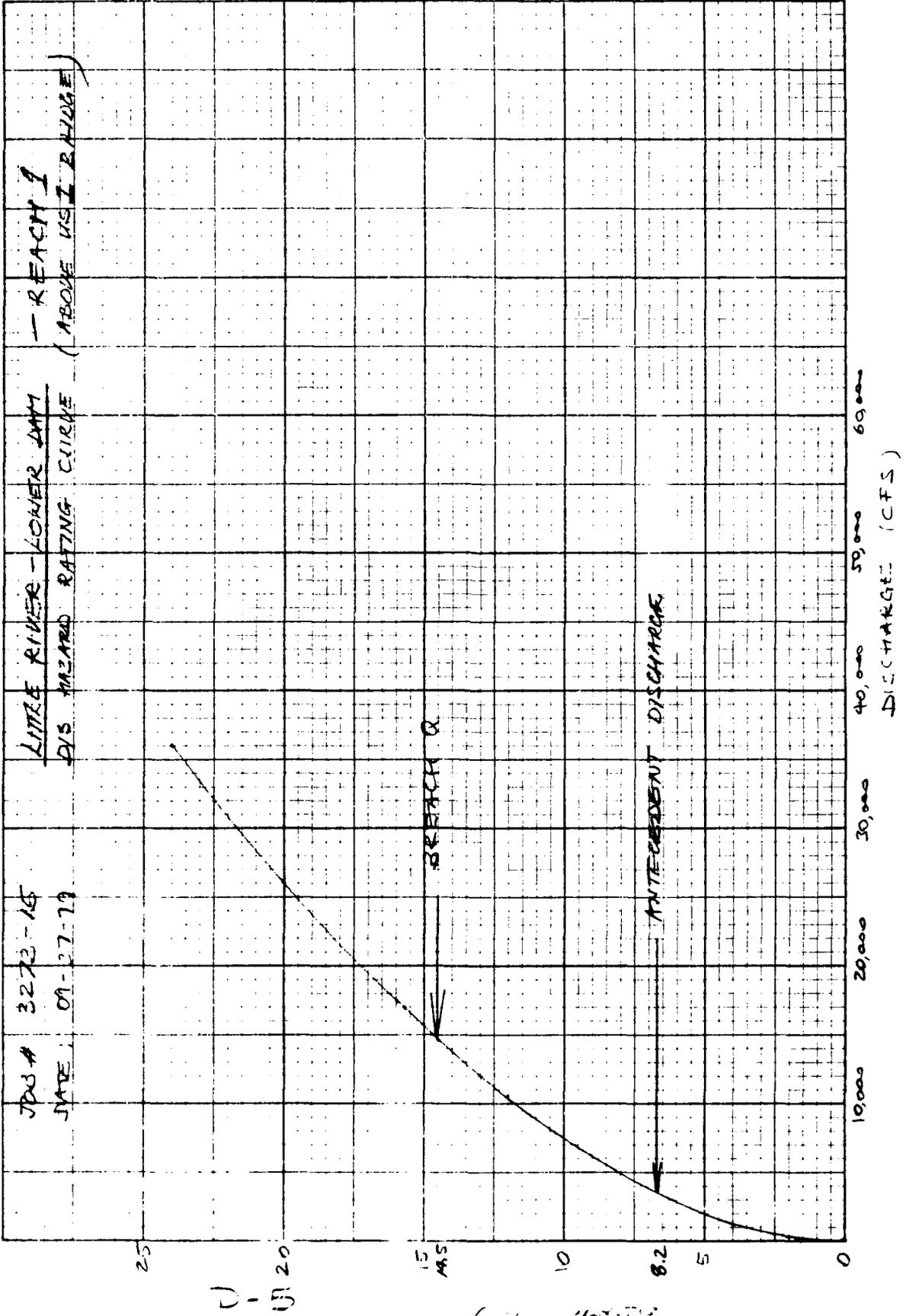
$$K_f = \frac{0.11 + 0.02 \times 34}{6.33^{.42}} = .08$$

$$1.10 + .08 = 1.18$$

$$K = \frac{1}{1.18} = 1.18$$

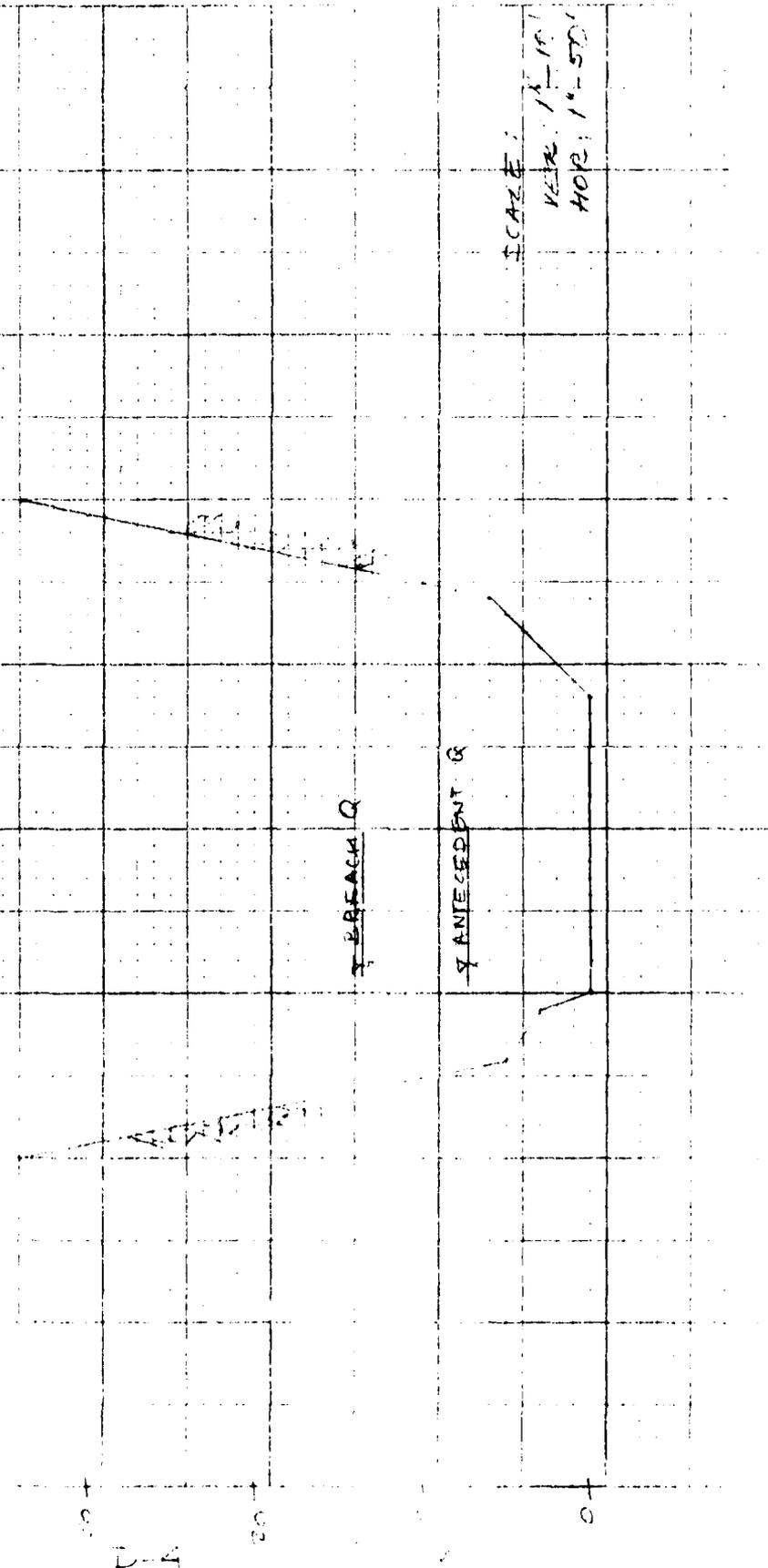
$$C = .92$$

1. LENGTH OF WEIR = 17'  
2. FOR CONCRETE WEIR WITH  
VERT. BOTTOM = 1.10  
3. HYDRAULIC RATING  
INTAKE AND EXIT LOSS =  
= 1.10



APPLICATOR - MCMC  
 JOB # 227  
 DATE OF JOB 1/79  
 COUNTY # 1  
 SHEET # 1

LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM  
 SECTION REPRESENTING CHANNEL  
 BETWEEN DAM AND DOWNSTREAM BRIDGE (HS ROUTE 1)



SCALE:  
 VERT. 1" = 10'  
 HORIZ. 1" = 50'

DISTANCE IN FEET

1- 2- 3- 4- 5- 6- 7- 8- 9- 10- 11- 12- 13- 14- 15- 16- 17- 18- 19- 20- 21- 22- 23- 24- 25- 26- 27- 28- 29- 30- 31- 32- 33- 34- 35- 36- 37- 38- 39- 40- 41- 42- 43- 44- 45- 46- 47- 48- 49- 50- 51- 52- 53- 54- 55- 56- 57- 58- 59- 60- 61- 62- 63- 64- 65- 66- 67- 68- 69- 70- 71- 72- 73- 74- 75- 76- 77- 78- 79- 80- 81- 82- 83- 84- 85- 86- 87- 88- 89- 90- 91- 92- 93- 94- 95- 96- 97- 98- 99- 100-

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LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM

BREACH ANALYSIS - CONT'D

REACH #1

USE A TYPICAL CROSS SECTION ALONG THE DOWNSTREAM REACH FROM THE DAM TO THE U.S. ROUTE 1 BRIDGE FOR A DISTANCE OF 400 FEET

DEVELOP A RATING CURVE FOR THIS SECTION BY USE OF MANNING'S EQUATION  $Q = \frac{1.49}{n} \cdot A \cdot R^{2/3} \cdot S^{1/2}$

$n = .05$        $S = .0025$

DEPTH [FT]	AREA	WPER	Q [CFS]
4	416	124	1,380
8	969	149	4,974
12	1567	160	10,509
16	2199	172	17,605
20	2864	184	26,150
24	3563	195	36,085
28	4295	207	47,378
32	5062	218	60,016

- \*  $n$  - ROUGHNESS COEFFICIENT
- A - AREA OF X-SECTION IN SQUARE FEET
- R -  $A/WETTED PERIMETER$
- S - SLOPE OF REACH

JOB NO. 3272-15 LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAMINCHES  
IN. SCALE 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29BREACH ANALYSIS

DETERMINE EFFECTS OF BREACH AT TOP OF DAM  
TO CLASSIFY DOWNSTREAM HAZARD CONDITIONS.

$$Q_p = \frac{8}{12} W_b P_g Y_o^{3/2}$$

$W_b$  - BREACH WIDTH

$$g = 32.2 \text{ FT/SEC}^2$$

$Y_o$  - POOL ELEV. -  $\frac{1}{2}$  RIVER BED

$$W_b = 125 \times .4 = 50$$

ASSUME RIVER BED ELEV. AT TOP OF THE DAM = 25.5

$$Y_o = 30.3 - 1.3 = 29$$

$$Q = 13,129 \text{ CFS}$$

Q THROUGH SPILLWAY OTHER THAN WHERE IT IS TO BE

$$L = 91 - 50 = 41 \text{ FT}$$

$$H = 30.3 - 25 = 5.3 \text{ FT}$$

$$C = 3.3$$

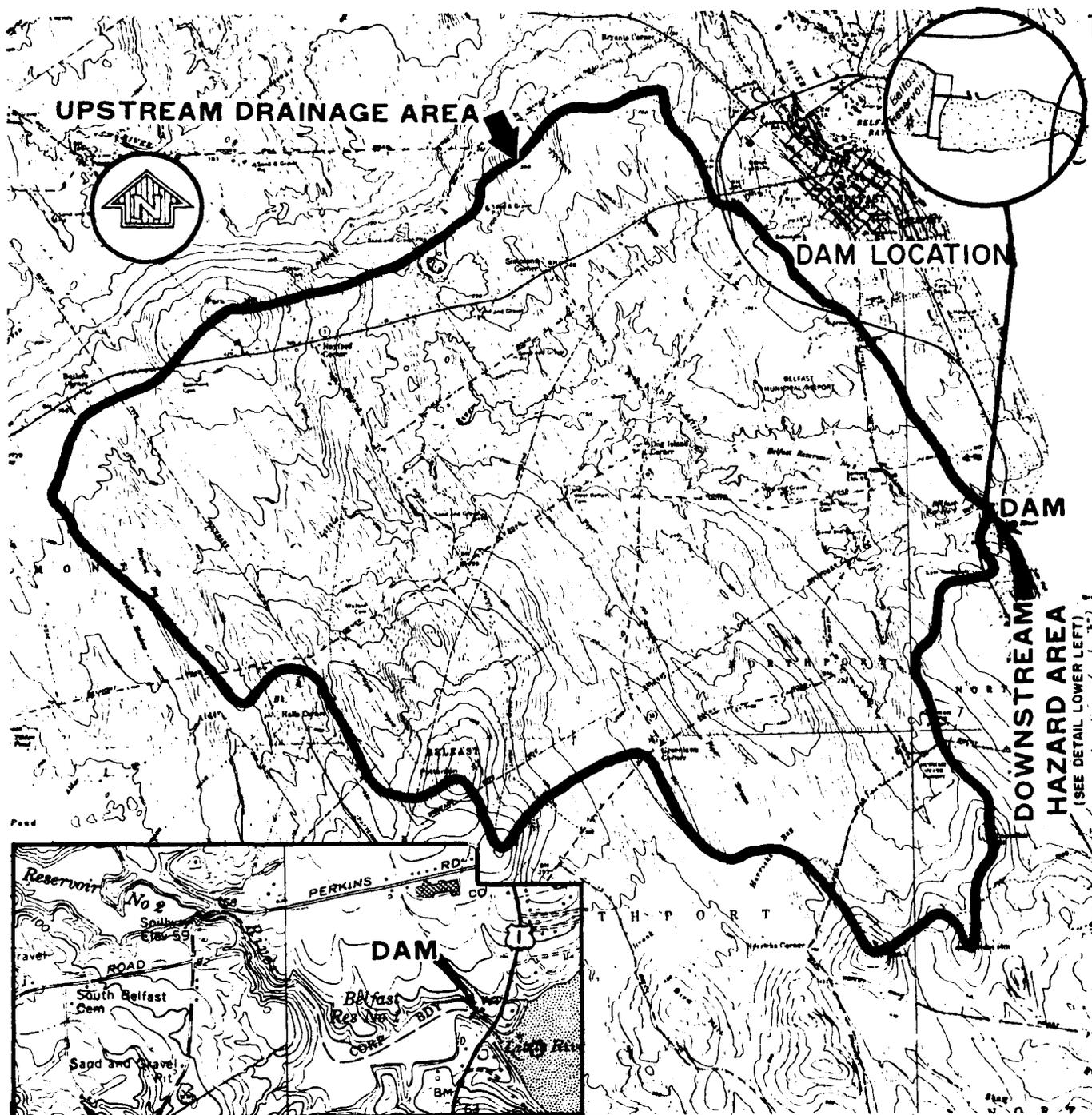
$$Q = C \cdot L \cdot H^{3/2} = 1000 \text{ CFS}$$

$$\text{TOTAL BREACH } Q = \underline{14,780 \text{ CFS}}$$

PRECEDENT DISCHARGE / SPILLWAY CAPACITY AT TOP OF  
DAM

$$Q = 3.3 \cdot 91 \cdot 5.3^{3/2} = \underline{2605 \text{ CFS}}$$

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LITTLE RIVER LOWER DAM  
BELFAST, MAINE

**REGIONAL VICINITY MAP**

NOVEMBER 1979

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY  
NEW ENGLAND DIVISION, CORPS OF ENGINEERS  
WALTHAM, MASSACHUSETTS

ANDERSON-NICHOLS & CO., INC

CONCORD, N.H.

SCALE IN MILES



MAP BASED ON U.S.G.S. 7.5 MINUTE QUADRANGLE  
SHEETS. BELFAST, ME., 1960. REVISED 1973.  
SEARSPORT, ME., 1973. LINCOLNVILLE, ME., 1960,  
REVISED 1973. ISLESBORO, ME., 1973.

APPENDIX D  
HYDROLOGIC AND HYDRAULIC COMPUTATIONS



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Figure 12 - Looking downstream at U.S. Route 1 bridge  
from the north abutment of the dam.



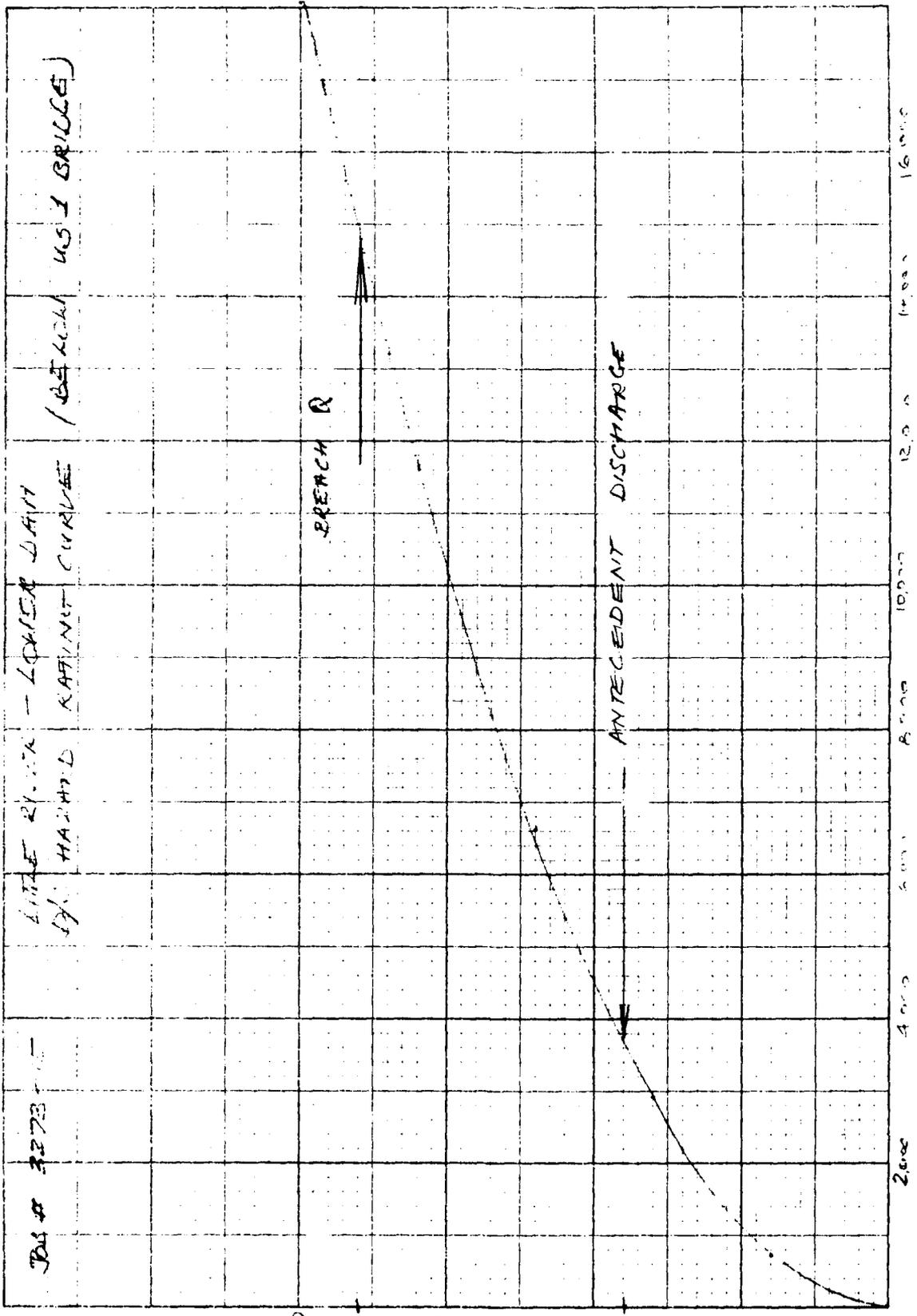
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Figure 13 - Looking north at downstream channel below  
the U.S. Route 1 bridge just before  
confluence with the Atlantic Ocean.



September 17, 1979  
Figure 10 - View of the north bank of the downstream  
channel from the U.S. Route 1 bridge.



September 17, 1979  
Figure 11 - Looking upstream at the reservoir from  
the north abutment.



JOB # 3273

LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM  
 HAYWARD KATYHUT CURVE

(BEKCM US I BRIDGE)

BREACH R

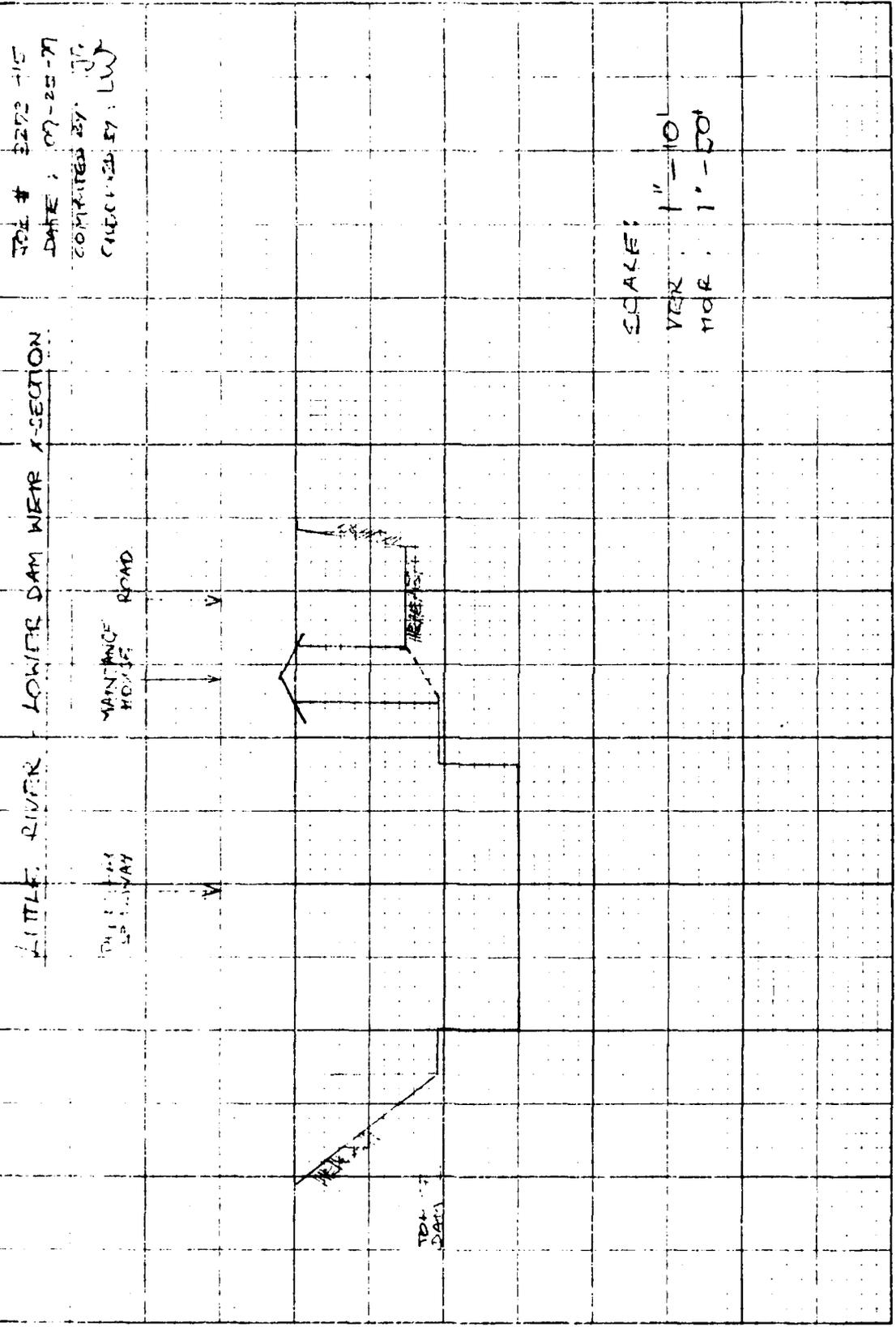
ANTECEDENT DISCHARGE

DISCHARGE CFS

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DEPTH IN FEET

ANSEL ENGINEERING CO.



JOB # 3273-115  
 DATE: 07-25-71  
 COMPILED BY: J. J. L. W.  
 CHECKED BY: L. W.

LITTLE RIVER LOWER DAM WEIR SECTION

MAINTENANCE ROAD

DRAINAGE

TOURIST DRIVE

SCALE:  
 VERT 1" = 10'  
 HOR 1" = 50'

DISTANCE (FT)

D-15

07/25/71

JOB NO. 2272-15

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LITTLE RIVER LOWER DAM - RATING CURVE CALCULATION

ELEVATION FEET	AREA UNDER THE SPILLWAY			FROM CURVE FOR THE DAM			FROM CURVE FOR THE SLOPER			TOTAL AREA
	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	AREA SQ. FT.	
25	50	91								0
26										200
27										850
28										1580
29										2400
30										3665
31										4480
32										5820
33										7250
34										9080
35										11200
36										13410
37										15920
38										18670
										21716

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L.A. 7 30

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LITTLE RIVER LOWER JAM - RATTING CURVES

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ELEVATION (FT - MSL)



DISCHARGE [CFS]

JOB NO. 2272-15

S 0 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29  
SCALE

LITTLE ROCK LOWER DAM

STORAGE - ELEVATION CURVE CALCULATION

NORMAL STORAGE (SPILLWAY CREST - 20 FT HIGH) - 310 AC-FT.

NOTE: 310 AC-FT WAS OBTAINED BY ESTIMATING AVERAGE DEPTH OF RESERVOIR - 10 FEET AND PLANNING THE SURFACE OF RESERVOIR FROM QUAD SHEET BY ADOPTING 115 AC-FT (57 MIL GAL) LISTED AS IMPROVED CAPACITY IN APPLICATION FOR DAM REGISTRATION (SEE APPENDIX B) IS NOT REASONABLE.

USING TRIANGULAR OR QUADRANGULAR AND PLANNING SURFACE AREAS, DEVELOP POINTS FOR A STORAGE - ELEVATION CURVE.

$$T = \frac{1}{2} (L_1 + L_2) \times H$$

- L<sub>1</sub> - ELEV. ABOVE NORMAL POOL
- L<sub>2</sub> - NORMAL POOL SURFACE
- H - ENLARGED POOL SURFACE

1. 10.0 FEET HIGH

SURFACE AREA - 46 AC  
 $\frac{1}{2} (46 + 46) \times 10 = 460$  AC-FT  
TOTAL STORAGE - 277 AC-FT

2. 15.0 FEET HIGH

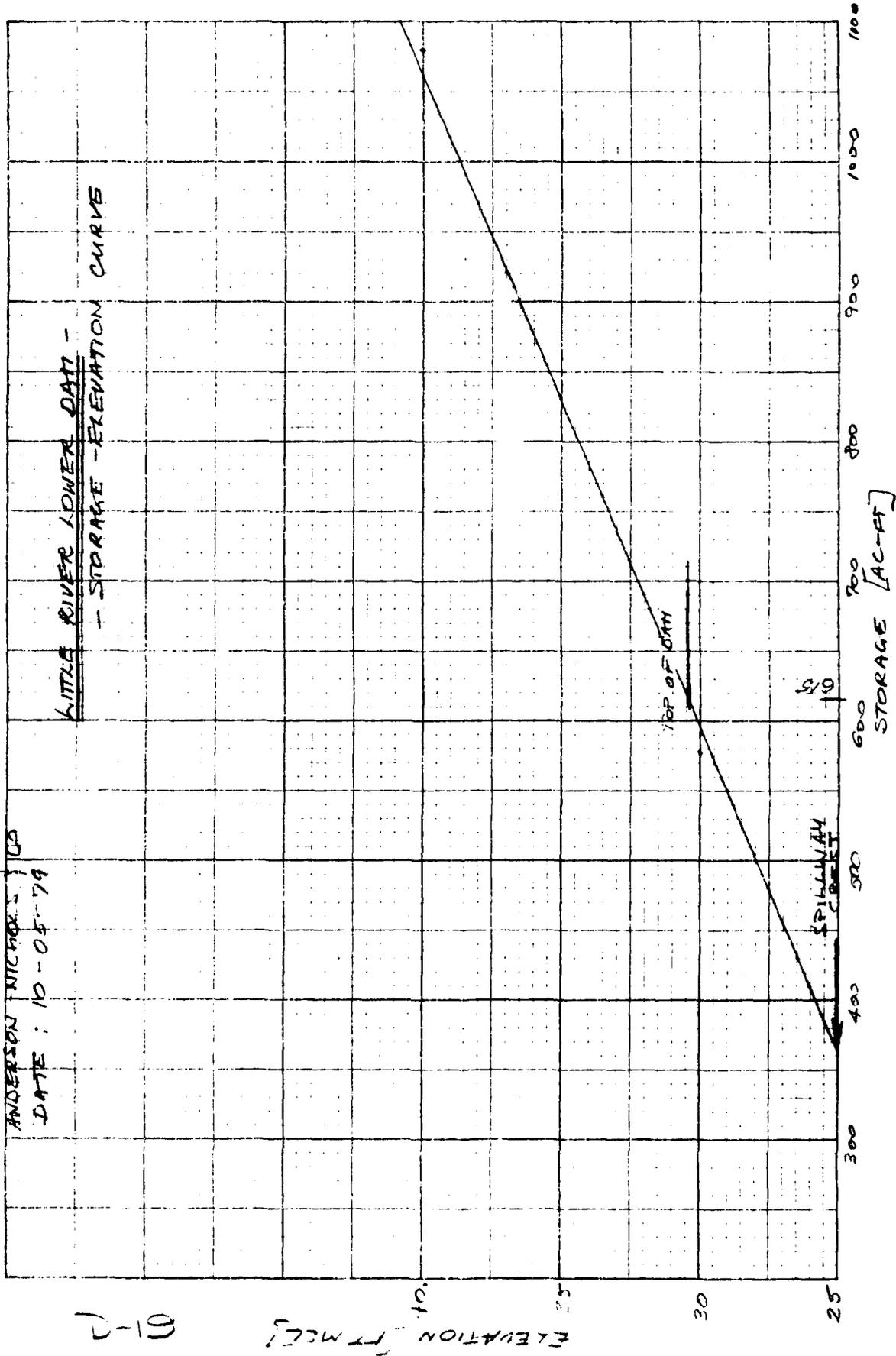
SURFACE AREA - 55 AC  
 $\frac{1}{2} (46 + 55) \times 10 = 505$  AC-FT  
TOTAL STORAGE - 1081 AC-FT

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LITTLE RIVER DUNE DAM  
- STORAGE - ELEVATION CURVE



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ELEVATION (FT MSL)

SPILLWAY  
CRACK

TOP OF DAM

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STORAGE [AC-FEET]

JOB NO. 3273 - 16

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LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAM

STEP # 2a

DETERMINE SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASS  $Q_p$  of 15,920. TO OBTAIN THIS, A DISCHARGE RATING CURVE MUST BE CALCULATED FOR LOWER RESERVOIR DAM. OUTFLOW WOULD OCCUR FIRST OVER THE PRINCIPAL SPILLWAY. HIGHER FLOOD WATERS WILL FLOW OVER THE DAM EMBANKMENTS AND SIDE SLOPES. SIZE OF EMERGENCY GATE IS UNKNOWN AND HAS NOT BEEN OPENED FOR 20 YEARS. THEREFORE FLOW THROUGH GATE WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN CALCULATIONS. OUTFLOW THROUGH WATER SUPPLY PUMP WHICH AVERAGES DAILY 275 GPM IS INSIGNIFICANT TO STUDY.

$Q_p = 15,920 \text{ CFS} \implies 37.0 \text{ FT MSL}$

STEP # 2b

DETERMINE VOLUME OF SURCHARGE IN INCHES OF RUNOFF

$Q_p = 15,920 \text{ CFS} \implies 37.0 \text{ FT MSL}$

STORAGE AT 37.0 FT MSL  $\implies 920 \text{ AC-FT}$   
 STORAGE AT 25.0 FT MSL (SPILLWAY CREST)  $\implies 370 \text{ AC-FT}$

$550 \text{ AC-FT} = \frac{1}{16.5 \text{ MI}^2} \times \frac{1.7112}{640 \text{ AC}} \times 12 \frac{\text{IN}}{\text{FT}} = .61" \text{ RUNOFF (STDR 1)}$

STEP # 2c

$Q_{p2} = Q_{p1} \times (1 - \frac{\text{STDR 1}}{9.5'})$   
 $Q_{p2} = 5,920 \text{ CFS} \times (1 - \frac{.61"}{9.5'}) = 14,900 \text{ CFS}$   
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JOB NO. 3273-16

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LITTLE RIVER - LOWER DAMSTEP # 3aDETERMINE SURCHARGE HEIGHT TO PASS  $Q_{p2}$ 

$$Q_{p2} = 14,900 \text{ CFS} \rightarrow 36.6 \text{ FT MSL} \rightarrow 900 \text{ AC-FT}$$

$$520 \text{ AC-FT} \times \frac{1}{16.8 \text{ MI}^2} \times \frac{1 \text{ MI}^2}{640 \text{ AC}} \times 12 \frac{\text{IN}}{\text{FT}} = .59'' \text{ RUNOFF (STOR 2)}$$

STEP # 3b

AVERAGE STOR 1 &amp; STOR 2

$$\frac{.61'' + .59''}{2} = .60'' \text{ RUNOFF}$$

$$.60'' \times \frac{16.8 \text{ MI}^2}{1} \times \frac{640 \text{ AC}}{1} \times \frac{1}{12} \frac{\text{FT}}{\text{IN}} = 538 \text{ AC-FT}$$

$$538 \text{ AC-FT} + 370 = 908 \text{ AC-FT}$$

$$\underline{908 \text{ AC-FT} \rightarrow 36.7 \text{ FT MSL} \Rightarrow 15,000 \text{ CFS}}$$

TEST FLOOD -  $\frac{1}{2}$  PMF

TEST FLOOD DISCHARGE - 15,000 CFS (@ 36.7' MSL)

TOP OF DAM - 30.2 (FT MSL) THEREFORE DAM EMBANKMENT WOULD BE OVERTOPPED BY ABOUT 6.4 FT DURING TEST FLOOD CONDITIONS.

TOP OF DAM - 30.2 FT MSL - STORAGE 615 AC-FT.

SPILLWAY CAPACITY @ TOP OF DAM IS 3665 CFS WHICH IS EQUIVALENT TO 24 PERCENT OF THE TEST FLOOD.

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APPENDIX E  
INFORMATION AS  
CONTAINED IN THE NATIONAL  
INVENTORY OF DAMS

# INVENTORY OF DAMS IN THE UNITED STATES

STATE	COUNTY	DIVISION	FEDERAL DISTRICT	CONTRACT NUMBER	REPORT DATE
MD	28	27	1	LITTLE RIVER LOWER DAM	05 NOV 79

POPULAR NAME	NAME OF IMPROVEMENT	LATITUDE (NORTH)	LONGITUDE (WEST)	REPORT DATE
LITTLE RIVER	PELLAST RESERVOIR NUMBER 1	4427.7	6859.4	05 NOV 79

RIVER OR STREAM	NEAREST DOWNSTREAM CITY - TOWN - VILLAGE	POPULATION	DIST OWN	FED R	PRV/FED	SCS A	VER/DATE
LITTLE RIVER	NORTHPORT	1000	NEU	N	N	N	N

TYPE OF DAM	YEAR COMPLETED	PURPOSES	HYDRAULIC HEAD (FT)	STRAINING CAPACITY (MGAL/DAY)	NAVIGATION LOCKS
2	1943	S	31	30	015

OWNER	ENGINEERING BY	CONSTRUCTION BY	DESIGN	REGULATORY AGENCY	OPERATION	MAINTENANCE
DOWNSTREAM STONE WALL						

INSPECTION BY	INSPECTION DATE	AUTHORITY FOR INSPECTION
ANDERSON-NICHOLS & COMPANY INC	17 SEP 79	PL 92-367

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