



### 2.4.3 PROBABLE MAXIMUM FLOOD (PMF) ON STREAMS AND RIVERS

#### **REVIEW RESPONSIBILITIES**

Primary - Structural & Geosciences Branch (ESGB)Civil Engineering and Geosciences Branch (ECGB)<sup>1</sup>

Secondary - None

#### I. <u>AREAS OF REVIEW</u>

In this section of the safety analysis report (SAR), the hydrometeorological design basis is developed to determine the extent of any flood protection required for those structures, systems, and components necessary to ensure the capability to shut down the reactor and maintain it in a safe shutdown condition. The areas of review include the probable maximum precipitation (PMP) potential and precipitation losses over the applicable drainage area, the runoff response characteristics of the watershed, the accumulation of flood runoff through river channels and reservoirs, the estimate of the discharge rate trace (hydrograph) of the PMF at the plant site, the determination of PMF water level conditions at the site, and the evaluation of coincident wind-generated wave conditions that could occur with the PMF.

Included is a review of the details of design bases for site drainage (which is summarized in SAR Section 2.4.2); a review of the runoff for site drainage and drainage areas adjacent to the plant site, including the roofs of safety-related structures, resulting from potential PMP; and a review of the potential effects from erosion and sedimentation. The analyses involve modeling of physical rainfall and runoff processes to estimate the upper level of possible flood conditions adjacent to and on site.

Regulatory Guide 1.59<sup>2</sup> describes two positions with respect to flood protection for which a PMF estimate is required to determine the controlling design basis conditions. If Position 1 is chosen,

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all safety-related systems, structures, and components must be capable of withstanding the effects from the controlling flood design basis. Position 2 limits the review to specific safety-related structures, systems, and components necessary for cold shutdown and maintenance thereof.

#### Review Interfaces<sup>3</sup>

The ECGB also reviews, under SRP Section 2.3.6 (proposed), the adequacy of the site parameter envelope specified in standard design certification applications. The ECGB also reviews, under SRP Section 2.4.2, the limiting flood level specified in the site parameter envelope for design certifications.<sup>4</sup>

#### II. <u>ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA</u>

Acceptance criteria for this SRP Standard Review Plan (SRP)<sup>5</sup> section are based on meeting the requirements of the following regulations:

- 1. General Design Criterion 2 (GDC 2) as it relates to structures, systems, and components important to safety being designed to withstand the effects of floods.
- 2. 10 CFR Part 100 as it relates to evaluating hydrologic characteristics of the site.

To meet the requirements of the hydrologic aspects of GDC 2 and 10 CFR Part 100, the following specific criteria are used:

The PMF as defined in Regulatory Guide 1.59 has been adopted as one of the conditions to be evaluated in establishing the applicable stream and river flooding design basis referred to in General Design Criterion 2, Appendix A, 10 CFR Part 50. PMF estimates are required for all adjacent streams or rivers and site drainage (including the consideration of PMP on the roofs of safety-related structures). The criteria for accepting the applicant's PMF-related design basis depend on one of the following three conditions:

- 1. The elevation attained by the PMF (with coincident wind waves) establishes a required protection level to be used in the design of the facility.
- 2. The elevation attained by the PMF (with coincident wind waves) is not controlling; the design basis flood protection level is established by another flood phenomenon (e.g., the probable maximum hurricane).
- 3. The site is "dry"; that is, the site is well above the elevation attained by a PMF (with coincident wind waves).

When condition 1 is applicable, the staff will assess the flood level (described in subsection III). The assessment may be made independently from basic data, by detailed review and checking of the applicant's analyses, or by comparison with estimates made by others that have been reviewed in detail. The applicant's estimates of the PMF level and the coincident wave action are acceptable if the estimates are no more than 5% less conservative than the staff's estimates.

If the applicant's estimates of discharge are more than 5% less conservative than the staff's, the applicant should fully document and justify its estimates or accept the staff's estimates and redesign applicable flood protection.

When conditions 2 or 3 apply, the staff analyses may be less rigorous (described in subsection III). For condition 2, acceptance is based on the protection level estimated for another flood-producing phenomenon exceeding the staff estimate of PMF water levels. For condition 3, the site grade must be well above the staff assessment of PMF water levels. The evaluation of the adequacy of the margin (difference in flood and site elevations) is generally a matter of engineering judgment. The judgment is based on the confidence in the flood level estimate and the degree of conservatism in each parameter used in the estimate.

Appropriate sections of the following documents are used by the staff to determine the acceptability of the applicant's data and analyses.

Regulatory Guide 1.59 provides guidance for estimating the PMF design basis. Regulatory Guide 1.29 identifies the safety-related structures, systems, and components, and Regulatory Guide 1.102 describes acceptable flood protection to prevent the safety-related facilities from being adversely affected. Publications of the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) and the Corps of Engineers may be used to estimate PMF discharge and water level condition at the site and coincident wind-generated wave activity.

### Technical Rationale<sup>6</sup>

The technical rationale for application of these acceptance criteria to the review of a hydrologic description of a nuclear power plant site is discussed in the following paragraphs:<sup>7</sup>

- 1. Compliance with GDC 2 requires that nuclear power plant structures, systems, and components important to safety be designed to withstand the effects of natural phenomena such as earthquake, tornado, hurricane, flood, tsunami, and seiche without loss of capability to perform their safety functions. The criterion further specifies that the design bases for these structures, systems, and components shall reflect the following:
  - a. Appropriate consideration of the most severe natural phenomena historically reported for the site and surrounding area, with sufficient margin for the limited accuracy, quantity, and time period in which the historical data have been accumulated;
  - b. Appropriate combinations of the effects of normal and accident conditions with the effects of the natural phenomena; and
  - c. The importance of the safety functions to be performed.

The first specification was adopted in recognition of the relatively short history available for severe natural phenomena (e.g., floods) on the North American continent and, when based on probabilistic considerations only, the potential for underestimating the severity of such an event. This problem can be avoided by using a deterministic approach to

assess design basis events. Such an approach will account for the practical physical limitations of natural phenomena that contribute to the severity of a given event.

This criterion is applicable to SRP Section 2.4.3 in that it specifies the hydrologic phenomenon (i.e., PMF) addressed in this section. In general terms, it also specifies the level of conservatism that must be used in assessing the severity of the PMF for the purpose of determining the design bases for the structures, systems, and components important to safety.

Meeting the requirements of GDC 2 provides a level of assurance that those structures, systems, and components important to safety will not experience a flood more severe than that for which they were designed.<sup>8</sup>

2. Paragraph 100.10(c) of 10 CFR Part 100 requires that the site's physical characteristics (including seismology, meteorology, geology, and hydrology) be taken into account when determining the acceptability of a site for a nuclear power reactor.

To satisfy the hydrologic requirements of 10 CFR Part 100, the applicant's SAR must contain a description of the hydrologic characteristics of the site and region and an analysis of the PMF. This description must be sufficient to assess the acceptability of the site and the potential for those characteristics to influence the design of plant structures, systems, and components important to safety.

Meeting this requirement provides a level of assurance that plant structures, systems, and components important to safety are designed to withstand hydrologic phenomena of severity up to and including the PMF.<sup>9</sup>

### III. <u>REVIEW PROCEDURES</u>

For conditions 1 and 2 (described in subsection II), the methods used for evaluating flooding potential are separated into two parts--PMF on adjacent streams and local PMF. The review procedure is outlined in the attached Figures 2.4.3-1 (for PMF on adjacent streams) and 2.4.3-2 (for local PMF). (The procedure for evaluating the adequacy of site drainage facilities based on a local PMF is outlined in SRP Section 2.4.2.) Corps of Engineers PMF assessments for specific locations or generalized PMF assessments for a geographical area approved by the Chief of Engineers and contained in published or unpublished reports of that agency may be used in lieu of staff-developed analyses. In the absence of such assessments, both large and small basin PMP estimates by NOAA; published techniques of the World Meteorological Organization; and runoff, impoundment, and river-routing models of the Corps of Engineers are used by the staff to estimate PMF discharge and water level at the site. A comprehensive review of the applicant's analyses will be performed and a simplified analysis using calculational procedures or models with demonstrably conservative coefficients and assumptions is performed. If the applicant's PMF estimates are within acceptable margins (described in subsection II), the staff positions will indicate concurrence with the applicant's PMF estimates and the SER safety evaluation report (SER)<sup>10</sup> input will be written accordingly. If the simplified analysis indicates a potential problem with the applicant's estimates, a detailed analysis using more realistic techniques will be performed. The staff will develop a position based on the detailed analysis;

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resolve, if possible, differences between the applicant's and staff's estimates of PMF design basis; and prepare the SER input accordingly.

Wind-generated wave action will be independently estimated using Corps of Engineers criteria such as the "Shore Protection Manual." When sufficient water depth is available, the significant wave height and runup are used for structural design purposes, and the 1% wave height and runup are used for flood level estimates. Where depth limits wave height, the breaking or broken wave height and runup is used for both purposes.

For condition 3 (i.e., a "dry site"--one not subject to stream flooding by virtue of local topographic considerations), the following procedures apply:

- 1. Use Corps of Engineers PMF estimates for other sites in the region to develop "regional drainage area versus PMF discharge (cubic feet per second/square mile) (m<sup>3</sup> per sec/km<sup>2</sup> (ft<sup>3</sup> per sec/mi<sup>2</sup>))<sup>"11</sup> data, for extrapolation to the site.
- 2. Envelop the above data points to obtain an estimate of the PMF applicable to the site.
- 3. Increase the estimate based on a judgment as to the applicability of the basic estimates. An increase in the range of 10% to 50% is generally appropriate.
- 4. If warranted by relative elevation differences between the site and adjacent stream, estimate the flood level at the site using slope-area techniques or water surface profile computations.
- 5. Estimate wind (2-yr extreme windspeed) wave runup based on breaking or 1% wave heights. Criteria for estimating windspeed are discussed in ANSI N170<sup>12</sup> and References 16, 18, and 19. 17, 19, and 20.<sup>13</sup>
- 6. Compare resultant water level with proposed plant grade and lowest safety-related facility that can be affected.

The above items of review are performed only when applicable to the site or site region. Some items of review may be done on a generic basis.

For standard design certification reviews, site-related parameters, including probable maximum precipitation (PMP), should be identified in the site parameter envelope. The specified value should be representative of credible, bounding characteristics. The reviewer verifies that the PMP specified in the site parameter envelope is consistent with the acceptance criteria given in subsection II of this SRP section.

For an application referencing a certified standard design, the reviewer verifies that historical data related to PMP and flooding from rivers and streams are consistent with the levels specified in the site parameter envelope for the certified design.

Requirements and procedures governing issuance of early site permits for approval of proposed sites for nuclear power facilities are specified in 10 CFR Part 52. Information required for such

a permit includes a description of the site's hydrometeorological characteristics. For this type of permit, the scope and level of detail for reviewing such data parallel those used for CP reviews as outlined above.<sup>14</sup>

For standard design certification reviews under 10 CFR Part 52, the procedures above should be followed, as modified by the procedures in SRP Section 14.3 (proposed), to verify that the design set forth in the standard safety analysis report, including inspections, tests, analysis, and acceptance criteria (ITAAC), site interface requirements and combined license action items, meet the acceptance criteria given in subsection II. SRP Section 14.3 (proposed) contains procedures for the review of certified design material (CDM) for the standard design, including the site parameters, interface criteria, and ITAAC.<sup>15</sup>

## IV. EVALUATION FINDINGS

For construction permit (CP)<sup>16</sup> and early site permit<sup>17</sup> reviews, the findings will summarize the applicant's and staff's estimates of the peak PMF runoff rate and water level (including allowance for coincident wind-generated wave activity) at the site. If the applicant's estimates are within the criteria (described in subsection II), staff concurrence will be stated. If the staff's estimates are 5% more conservative than the applicant's estimates, if the flood conditions may adversely affect the proposed plant, and if the applicant has been unable to support his estimates, a statement requiring use of the staff bases will be made. If the flood conditions do not constitute a design basis, the findings will so indicate.

For operating license (OL)<sup>18</sup> reviews that have received detailed PMF reviews during the CP review, or a COL reviews that references an early site permit,<sup>19</sup> the CP or early site permit<sup>20</sup> conclusions will be referenced. Any flood potential not identified during the CP review will be noted.

If Regulatory Guide 1.59, Position 2, is elected by the applicant, a statement describing lesser design bases will be included in the findings with a staff conclusion of adequacy.

A sample statement for a CP review follows:

The staff concludes that the plant flood design meets the requirements of General Design Criterion 2 and 10 CFR Part 100 and is acceptable. This conclusion is based on the following evaluation:

The probable maximum flood (PMF) resulting from the probable maximum precipitation (PMP) on the ABC River drainage basin yielded an estimated maximum stillwater level at the intake structure on the D & E Canal of about 5.0 feet 1.5 m  $(5.0 \text{ ft})^{21}$  MSL, which is about  $5 \text{ feet} 1 \text{ m} (5 \text{ ft})^{22}$  below its design flood level.

The local PMF resulting from the estimated local PMP was found not to cause flooding of safety-related facilities, since the site drainage system will be capable of functioning adequately during such a storm. Catch basins will be provided as part of the storm drainage system and will be located throughout the plant site to drain local areas. The plant yard will be graded with gentle slopes away from high points at the plant buildings, and storm water will drain away from the buildings into the local streams at lower elevations.

For an application referencing a certified plant design, the reviewer's findings should include a concluding statement similar to the following:

Historical data for the proposed site are consistent with the probable maximum precipitation and flood levels identified in the site parameter envelope specified in the certified plant design documents.<sup>25</sup>

For design certification reviews, the findings will also summarize, to the extent that the review is not discussed in other safety evaluation report sections, the staff's evaluation of inspections, tests, analyses, and acceptance criteria (ITAAC), including design acceptance criteria (DAC), site interface requirements, and combined license action items that are relevant to this SRP section.<sup>26</sup>

### V. <u>IMPLEMENTATION</u>

The following is intended to provide guidance to applicants regarding the NRC staff's plans for using this SRP section.

This SRP section will be used by the staff when performing safety evaluations of license applications submitted by applicants pursuant to 10 CFR 50 or 10 CFR 52.<sup>27</sup> Except in those cases in which the applicant proposes an acceptable alternative method for complying with specified portions of the Commission's regulations, the method described herein will be used by the staff in its evaluation of conformance with Commission regulations.

The provisions of this SRP section apply to reviews of applications docketed six months or more after the date of issuance of this SRP section.<sup>28</sup>

Implementation schedules for conformance to parts of the method discussed herein are contained in the referenced regulatory guides.

The provisions of this SRP section apply to reviews of construction permit (CP), operating license (OL), and Preliminary Design Approval (PDA) applications docketed after the effective date of issuance of this revision to SRP Section 2.4.3.<sup>29</sup>

#### VI. <u>REFERENCES</u>

In addition to the following specific references, Design Memoranda, Civil Works Investigations, and research and development reports of the Corps of Engineers and reports of other Federal and State agencies relevant to flood estimates at a specific site will be used on an "as-available" basis.

- 1. 10 CFR Part 50, Appendix A, General Design Criterion 2, "Design Basis for Protection Against Natural Phenomena."
- 2. 10 CFR Part 52, "Early Site Permits; Standard Design Certifications; and Combined Licenses for Nuclear Power Plants."<sup>30</sup>
- 3. 10 CFR Part 100, "Reactor Site Criteria."
- 4. Reports of the Corps of Engineers, Department of the Army:

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No. 9., "A Report on the Possible Occurrence of Maximum Precipitation over White River Basin above Mud Mountain Dam Site, Wash." (1939).

No. 10., "Maximum Possible Rainfall over the Arkansas River Basin above Caddoa, Colo." (1939). Supplement (1939).

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No. 12., "Maximum Possible Precipitation over the Red River Basin above Denison, Tex." (1939).

No. 13., "A Report on the Maximum Possible Precipitation over Cherry Creek Basin in Colorado" (1940).

No. 14., "The Frequency of Flood-Producing Rainfall over the Pajaro River Basin in California" (1940).

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"Allegheny River above Allegheny River Reservoir, Pa." (9/28/56).

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"Des Moines River above Saylorville, Iowa and Howell Dam Site, Iowa" (3/19/48).

"Salt River, Mo." (1/21/55).

"James River above Jamestown Dam Site, N. Dak." (9/16/48).

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"Jemez Creek, N. Mex." (12/9/49).

"Chama River above Chamita Dam Site, N. Mex." (1/18/50).

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FIGURE 2.4.3-1 STANDARD REVIEW PLAN SECTION 2.4.3 FLOOD ON STREAMS AND RIVERS





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Item numbers in the following table correspond to superscript numbers in the redline/strikeout copy of the draft SRP section.

ltem	Source	Description	
1.	Current PRB name and abbreviation	Changed PRB to Civil Engineering and Geosciences Branch (ECGB).	
2.	Integrated Impact No. 390	Regulatory Guide 1.59 references ANSI N170-1976, which was revised in 1981 to ANSI/ANS-2.8, which in turn was revised in 1992. RG 1.59 should be updated to reference ANSI/ANS-2.8-1992 if a detailed comparison of the two versions supports the update of the citation.	
3.	SRP-UDP format item	Added "Review Interfaces" to AREAS OF REVIEW.	
4.	Integrated Impact No. 389	Included review interfaces to new SRP Section 2.3.6 and to SRP Section 2.4.2 for review of DC site parameter envelope.	
5.	Editorial	Defined "SRP" as "Standard Review Plan."	
6.	Develop technical rationale	Added "Technical Rationale" to ACCEPTANCE CRITERIA and presented the bases for referencing the GDC in paragraph form.	
7.	Develop technical rationale	Added lead-in sentence for "Technical Rationale."	
8.	Develop technical rationale	Added technical rationale for GDC 2.	
9.	Develop technical rationale	Added technical rationale for 10 CFR Part 100.	
10.	Editorial	Defined "SER" as "safety evaluation report."	
11.	Conversion to SI units	Added appropriate SI units m <sup>3</sup> per sec/km <sup>2</sup> .	
12.	Integrated Impact No. 390	ANSI N170-1976 was revised in 1981 to ANSI/ANS- 2.8, which was further revised in 1992. This reference should be updated to ANSI/ANS-2.8-1992 if a detailed comparison of the two versions supports the adoption of the more recent standard.	
13.	Editorial	Changed reference numbers to accommodate new Reference 2.	
14.	Integrated Impact No. 389	Added paragraphs to define scope of reviews for design certifications, early site permits and for applications referencing a certified design.	
15.	SRP-UDP Guidance, Implementation of 10 CFR 52	Added standard paragraph to address application of Review Procedures in design certification reviews.	
16.	Editorial change	CP was defined in the preceding section.	
17	Integrated Impact No. 389	Added reference to early site permit reviews	

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ltem	Source	Description	
18.	Editorial change	OL was defined in the preceding section.	
19.	Integrated Impact No. 389	Added reference to COL reviews.	
20.	Integrated Impact No. 389	Added reference to early site permit reviews.	
21.	Conversion to SI units	Converted 5 ft to 1.5 m.	
22.	Conversion to SI units	Converted 5 ft to 1.5 m.	
23.	Conversion to SI units	Converted 60 ft to 18 m.	
24.	Conversion to SI units	Converted 20 ft to 6 m.	
25.	Integrated Impact No. 389	Added requirement for a statement regarding the site parameter envelope to EVALUATION FINDINGS.	
26.	SRP-UDP Format Item, Implement 10 CFR 52 Related Changes	To address design certification reviews a new paragraph was added to the end of the Evaluation Findings. This paragraph addresses design certification specific items including ITAAC, DAC, site interface requirements, and combined license action items.	
27.	SRP-UDP Guidance, Implementation of 10 CFR 52	Added standard sentence to address application of the SRP section to reviews of applications filed under 10 CFR Part 52, as well as Part 50.	
28.	SRP-UDP Guidance	Added standard paragraph to indicate applicability of this section to reviews of future applications.	
29.	SRP-UDP Guidance, Editorial	Struck sentence that is redundant to new boilerplate implementation statement.	
30.	Integrated Impact No. 389	Added reference to 10 CFR Part 52.	
31.	SRP-UDP format item	Updated reference name.	
32.	Integrated Impact No. 1424	Revised listing of ANSI N170 to specify 1976 as the applicable version, based upon citation in RG 1.59.	
33.	Integrated Impact No. 390	ANSI N170-1976 was revised in 1981 to ANSI/ANS- 2.8, which was further revised in 1992. This reference should be updated to ANSI/ANS-2.8-1992 if a detailed comparison of the two versions supports the adoption of the more recent standard.	

## SRP Draft Section 2.4.3 Attachment B - Cross Reference of Integrated Impacts

Integrated Impact No.	Issue	SRP Subsections Affected
389	10 CFR 52 specifies that applications for design certifications must contain the site parameters postulated for the design and an analysis and evaluation of the design in terms of such parameters. Integrated Impact No. 389 states that consideration should be given to (1) developing a new SRP section for review of the site parameter envelope, and (2) revising the existing SRP sections, including SRP 2.4.2, for review of site-specific parameters to reflect the site parameter-related requirements of 10 CFR 52 Regarding consideration (1), action is proceeding on development of the new SRP section (see IPD-7.0 Form No. 2.3.1.) Regarding consideration (2), inasmuch as 10 CFR 52 contains no specific site parameter-related requirements, the revision of SRP Section 2.4.3 addresses the appropriate use of a site parameter envelope.	Subsection I, AREAS OF REVIEW, Review Interfaces Subsection III, REVIEW PROCEDURES Subsection IV, EVALUATION FINDINGS, introductory paragraphs, new finding Subsection VI, REFERENCES, Reference 2
390	Regulatory Guide 1.59 references ANSI N170-1976, which was revised in 1981 to ANSI/ANS-2.8, which in turn was revised in 1992. In addition, ANSI N170 is referenced in this and other sections of the SRP. Such references should be updated to ANSI/ANS-2.8-1992 in RG 1.59 and the SRP if a detailed comparison of the two versions supports the adoption of the more recent standard.	No changes to SRP at this time.
1424	Consider updating the citation of ANSI N170 to cite the 1976 version.	Subsection VI, REFERENCES, Ref. 19