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# Atlas Corporation Reclamation Plan Uranium Mill and Tailings Disposal Area

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PARTIAL RESPONSE TO NUCLEAR REGULATORY COMMISSION  
REQUEST FOR INFORMATION  
ENCLOSURE 2 - OTHER CONSIDERATIONS  
RECLAMATION PLAN  
URANIUM MILL TAILINGS SITE  
MOAB, UTAH

## INTRODUCTION

Canonie Environmental Services Corp. (Canonie) has prepared a response to the Nuclear Regulatory Commission's (NRC's) request for information in its letter dated November 29, 1993. This response is a partial response to the information requested in Enclosure 2 of this letter. The Enclosure 2 request for information relates to erosion protection, radon attenuation, construction specifications and settlement considerations at Atlas Corporations's (Atlas') Moab site. This partial response addresses erosion protection at Moab Wash and the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel, construction specifications, and settlement. The responses to Enclosure 1 (November 29, 1993 request for information) and the remainder of the responses to Enclosure 2 will be submitted on March 29, 1994. A response to the January 3, 1994 request for information will also be submitted on March 29, 1994. The Enclosure provided with the January 3, 1994 letter presents additional questions and comments concerning surface water hydrology and erosion protection. In the following pages, each request for information is restated verbatim and a response for each request is provided.

### A. EROSION PROTECTION

#### Comment

2. Along with the question on the effect of floods in Moab Wash on the tailings pile, previously transmitted by our letter of April 20, 1993, it appears that the erosion protection for the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel could also be affected by Moab Wash. If Moab Wash were to

migrate and/or erode a channel near the proposed outlet of this channel, the erosion protection design proposed for the channel may not be adequate to accommodate the flow velocities and shear forces in Moab Wash. Therefore, you should substantiate that the erosion protection is adequate to resist the velocities in Moab Wash, or revise the design accordingly, and submit for our review and approval.

### Response

The erosion protection for the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel is not expected to be affected by flows from Moab Wash if Moab Wash were to migrate and/or erode a channel near the outlet of the propose. Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel. Canonie (Response to NRC Comments, April 1993) presented a design for a buried rock cutoff wall at the outlet of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel. The rock cutoff wall design calculations previously submitted in April 1993 have been included in Appendix A of this document. Enclosed in Appendix B of this document are calculations for a buried rock wall along the base of the northern regraded tailings embankment (10H:3V slope) designed to protect the embankment from encroachment by Moab Wash. Sheet 4 of 10 and sheet 7 of 10 of the drawings have been revised to reflect this buried rock wall. These figures are included in this document. The rock cutoff wall at the outlet of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel was designed to withstand a greater velocity, greater shear, and larger depth of scour than what is expected under a Probable Maximum Flood (PMF) event in Moab Wash (when Moab Wash inner channel has migrated near the proposed outlet of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel). Therefore, the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel is not expected to be affected by Moab Wash flows. A summary of the design calculations presented in Appendices A and B of this document is provided below.

The rock cutoff wall at the outlet of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel was designed to accommodate a depth of scour of 8 feet. A 26-inch riprap layer thickness of 17.4-inch D50 (median stone size) was designed for the Lower Impoundment Channel (including the rock cutoff wall) to withstand an average velocity of 13 feet per second (fps) and an average local boundary shear of 4.6 pounds per square foot (psf).

With respect to Moab Wash in the vicinity of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel and to the east [sections L-L', M-M' and N-N' on Drawing No. 88-067-E66 (Sheet 4 of 10)], design calculations submitted in Appendix B of this document indicate that 9-inch D50 rock wall is required to protect the embankment from encroachment by Moab Wash. The 9-inch rock wall at Sections L-L', M-M' and N-N' were designed to withstand a velocity of 11.7 fps, local boundary shear of 2.4 psf and depth of scour of 6.7 feet. The riprap for Moab Wash and the rock cutoff wall at the outlet of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel was sized based on the PMF event in Moab Wash using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers (allowable local shear stress) method. Toe protection for the channel bank protection and scour depth were considered in the calculations. Based on this analysis, erosion protection is adequate to resist the velocities in Moab Wash.

### C. CONSTRUCTION SPECIFICATIONS

#### Comment

1. The quality control program for placement depths of the clay and sandy soil layers which comprise the radon barrier sets tolerances at plus or minus 0.1 foot as measured on a 200-foot grid system. (Reference Specification Sections 5.3.2, June 4, 1992, and Section 5.3.4, April 14, 1993.) The depths associated with the radon barrier may not be less than the design depth. Accordingly, justify the proposed specification or modify the specification accordingly.

#### Response

The sentences indicating the clay and sandy soil layer thickness tolerance of  $\pm 0.1$  foot will be eliminated from Section 5.3.2 and 5.3.4 of the Specifications.

#### Comment

2. The specifications indicate that the bulk specific gravity should be determined by ASTM C 97. This ASTM designation is incorrect; the bulk specific gravity

of the rock should be determined by ASTM C 127. Modify the specification to the correct reference.

#### Response

The Specifications will be modified to indicate that ASTM: C 127-88, Test Method for Specific Gravity and Absorption of Coarse Aggregate will be used to determine bulk specific gravity.

#### Comment

3. Durability testing of the rock in the rock/soil matrix is not specified. The testing of the rock portion of the soil/rock matrix should be performed at the same frequency as that specified for riprap in Section 9.3.4.1 of the specifications dated April 14, 1993. Modify the specifications accordingly or justify the lack of durability testing for the rock portion of the rock/soil matrix.

#### Response

Section 9.3.5, Soil/Rock Matrix Placement, Compaction, and Testing, will be modified to include the rock durability testing requirements in accordance with NRC's August 1990 STP requirements. The durability testing frequency will include a minimum of initial testing before use as indicated in Section 6.3.1 and testing for each additional 10,000 cubic yards of rock from a particular source. Additional tests will be conducted more frequently than every 10,000 cubic yards when the rock characteristics (i.e., color, texture) in the rock borrow source vary significantly from the rock that was previously tested.

#### D. SETTLEMENT

#### Comment

1. Based on its continuing review of the geotechnical engineering design, the staff has determined that a quantitative estimate of potential embankment

settlement should be made. Settlement estimates could be based on a field program including soil test borings and/or piezocones, with soil laboratory testing as appropriate. Alternatively, the Licensee may base its estimates on observational methods. If the Licensee used observational methods to verify that settlements will be controlled, then procedures for monitoring settlement and criteria for assessing attainment of adequate settlement should be provided.

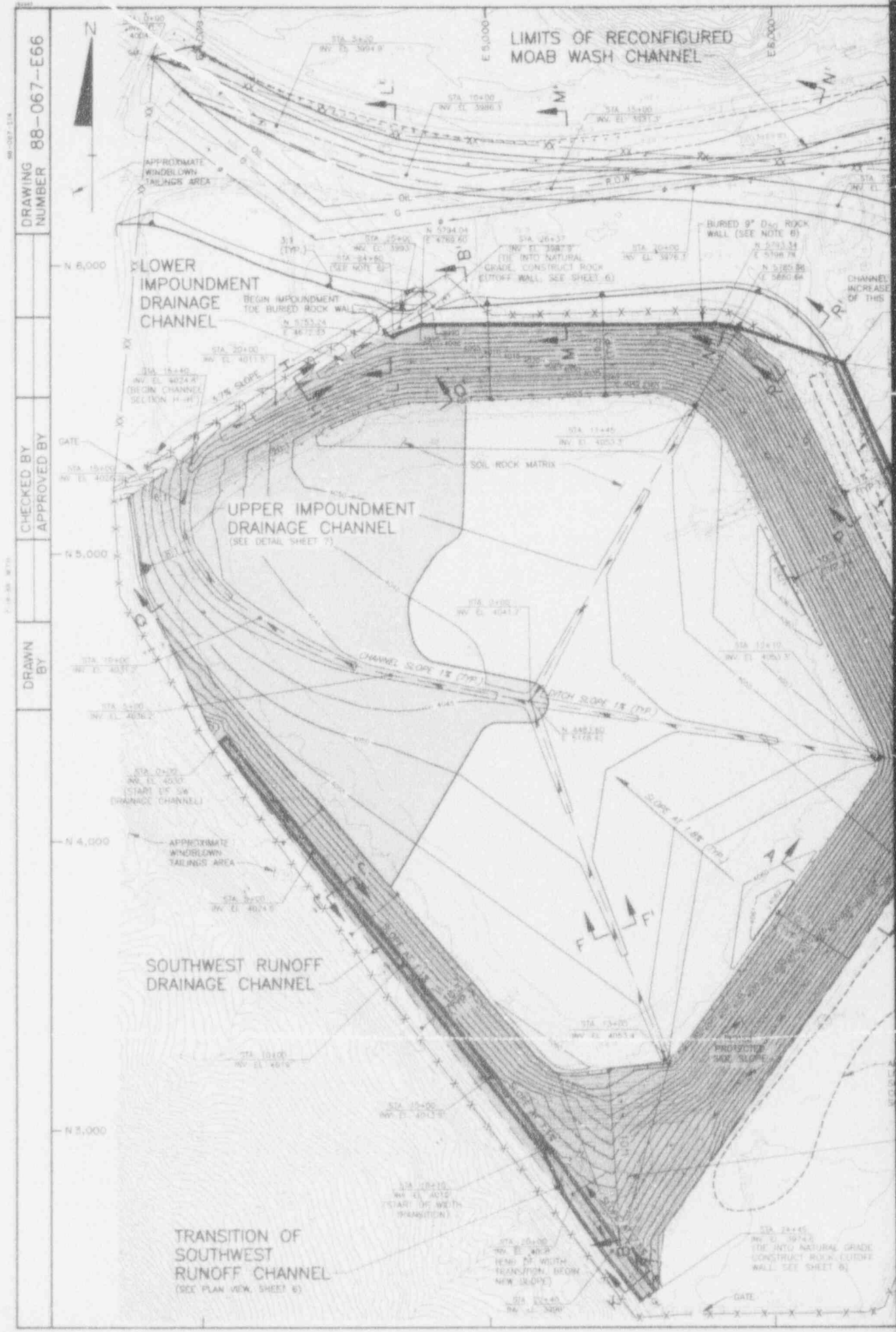
Based on the results of the test drilling/laboratory programs, or the alternative observational approach, the Licensee should confirm that excess settlement resulting in cover cracking or other modes of instability will not occur with the given design. It is understood that the tailings may be highly stratified, and that modeling will be subject to interpretation of the geotechnical engineer. For this reason, a justification for any simplifying assumptions should be included in the submittal.

#### Response

Section 9.3.1 of the Specifications discusses the execution of settlement monitoring. Settlement monitoring will be initiated immediately upon completion of regrading and material placement (i.e., windblown tailings, affected soils, and ore). The monitoring, involving elevation readings of the settlement monitoring platforms, will continue until primary consolidation has occurred. Magnitude of settlement versus logarithm of time plots will be generated during the monitoring period. When 90 percent of primary consolidation has occurred the final soil cover placement will begin. To supplement the settlement monitoring data, in-situ testing will be performed to provide additional data from which to perform settlement estimates prior to final cover placement. Piezocone measurements will be performed in the vicinity of the settlement monitoring platforms to obtain results on shear strength and hydraulic and consolidation parameters. Atlas will determine when primary consolidation is complete, as approved by the NRC. The specifications will be modified to discuss in-situ testing and settlement estimates of the tailings embankment prior to final cover placement. During and following final soil cover placement, settlement will be monitored on a weekly basis.

FIGURES

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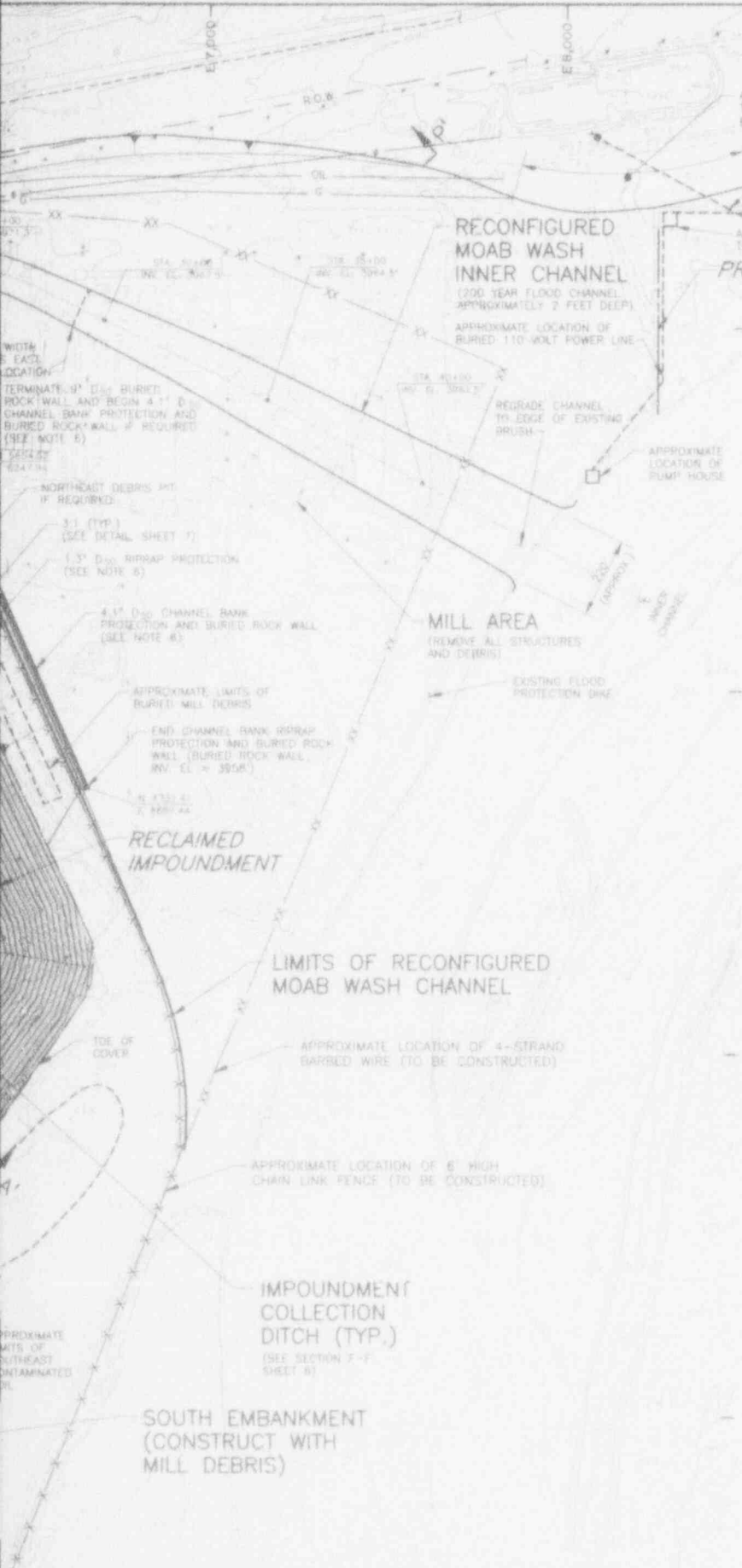
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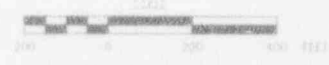
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- >— DRAINAGE DITCH LOCATION AND DIRECTION OF FLOW
- >— APPROXIMATE CONTEL AERIAL AND BURIED TELEPHONE CABLES
- >— APPROXIMATE UTAH POWER AND LIGHT 69 kv AERIAL POWER LINE
- >— APPROXIMATE UTAH POWER AND LIGHT 12 kv UNDERGROUND CABLE
- R.O.W. — APPROXIMATE HIGHWAY RIGHT OF WAY
- 10" — APPROXIMATE 10" # MIDAMERICAN PIPE COMPANY LIQUID LINE
- G — APPROXIMATE 26" # NORTHWESTERN NATURAL GAS LINE
- [Shaded Box] LIMITS OF 1.3" D<sub>50</sub> SOIL/ROCK MATRIX
- [Stippled Box] RIPRAP
- [Dotted Box] LIMITS OF 3.0" D<sub>50</sub> SOIL/ROCK MATRIX
- [Cross-hatched Box] LIMITS OF 1.3" D<sub>50</sub> RIPRAP PROTECTION OVER NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT (SEE NOTE 6)

**NOTES:**

1. FOR CROSS SECTIONS SEE SHEETS 5, 6 AND 7.
2. FLOOD PROTECTION DIKE, WINDBLOWN TAILINGS, AND ORE STOCKPILES SHALL BE REMOVED AND USED AS REGRADING FILL FOR THE TAILINGS IMPOUNDMENT, PRIOR TO SOIL COVER PLACEMENT.
3. AFFECTED SOILS SHALL BE EXCAVATED AND PLACED OVER REGRADED TAILINGS ON IMPOUNDMENT TOP PRIOR TO SOIL COVER PLACEMENT.
4. REVEGETATE ALL EXPOSED DISTURBED SOIL.
5. DISPOSE OF MILL DEBRIS IN SOUTH EMBANKMENT AND NORTHEAST DISPOSAL PIT. DEBRIS SHALL BE DISPOSED OF IN SOUTH EMBANKMENT AREA INITIALLY.
6. BEGIN BURIED 9" D<sub>50</sub> ROCK WALL AT STA. 24+60 OF THE LOWER IMPOUNDMENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL (EAST BANK). TERMINATE BURIED 9" D<sub>50</sub> ROCK WALL AT LOCATION SHOWN ON THIS SHEET. CONSTRUCT 4.1" D<sub>50</sub> CHANNEL BANK PROTECTION AND BURIED ROCK WALL AND PLACE 1.3" D<sub>50</sub> RIPRAP OVER NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT AT THE LOCATIONS SHOWN ON THIS SHEET ONLY IF NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT IS USED FOR DISPOSAL OF DEBRIS. SEE SHEET 7 FOR DETAILS AND CROSS SECTIONS IF NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT IS NOT CONSTRUCTED. EXTEND ROCK ARMOR AS SHOWN ON SECTION A-A' TO MEET 9" D<sub>50</sub> BURIED WALL.



PLAN VIEW OF  
RECLAIMED IMPOUNDMENT

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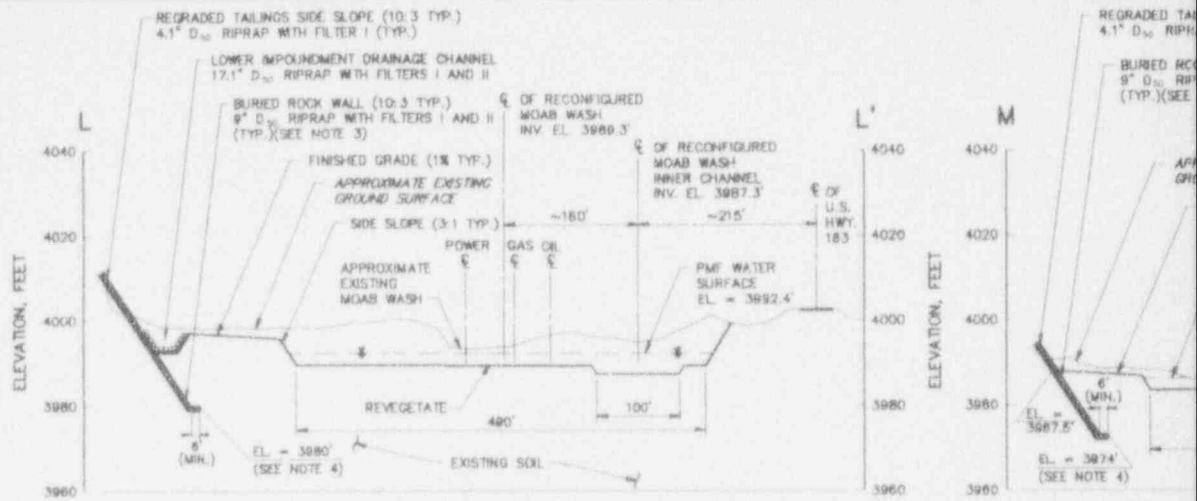
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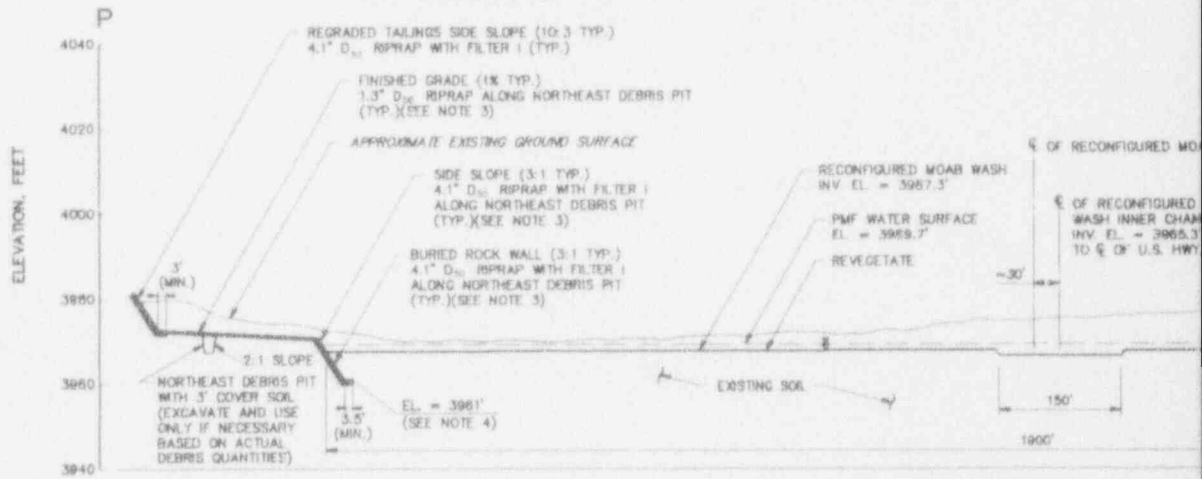
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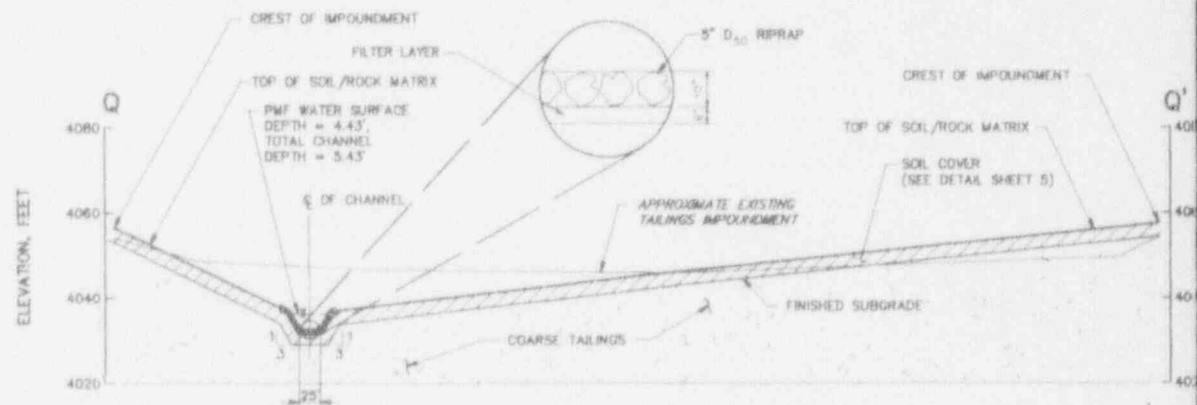


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**RECONFIGURED MOAB WASH AND**  
**IMPOUNDMENT TOE PROTECTION**  
(LOOKING WEST)

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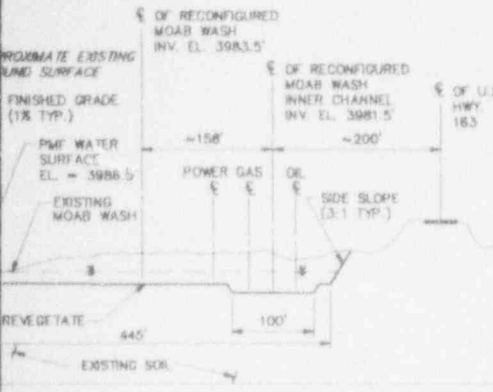
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**SECTION Q-Q'**  
**UPPER IMPOUNDMENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL**  
(LOOKING NORTHWEST)

INGS SIDE SLOPE (10:3 TYP.)  
AP WITH FILTER I (TYP.)

WALL (10:3 TYP.)  
RAP WITH FILTERS I AND II  
(NOTE 3)



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**SECTION M-M'**

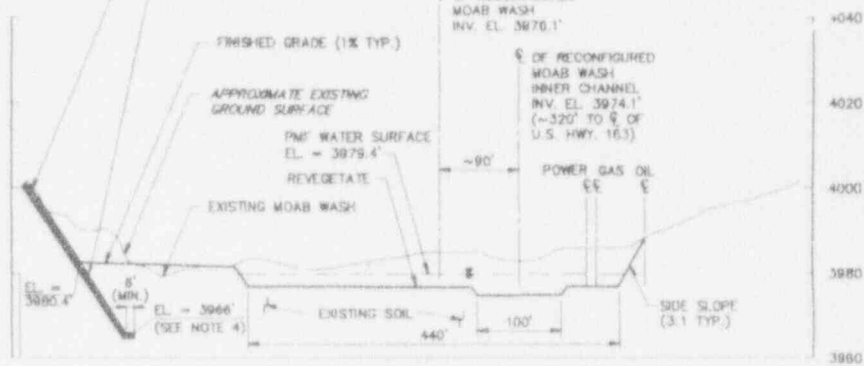
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**NOTE:**

1. UTILITIES TO BE  
RELOCATED PRIOR TO  
CHANNEL EXCAVATION.

REGRADED TAILINGS SIDE SLOPE (10:3 TYP.)  
4.1" D<sub>50</sub> RIPRAP WITH FILTER I (TYP.)

BURIED ROCK WALL (10:3 TYP.)  
9" D<sub>50</sub> RIPRAP WITH FILTERS I AND II  
(TYP.) (SEE NOTE 3)

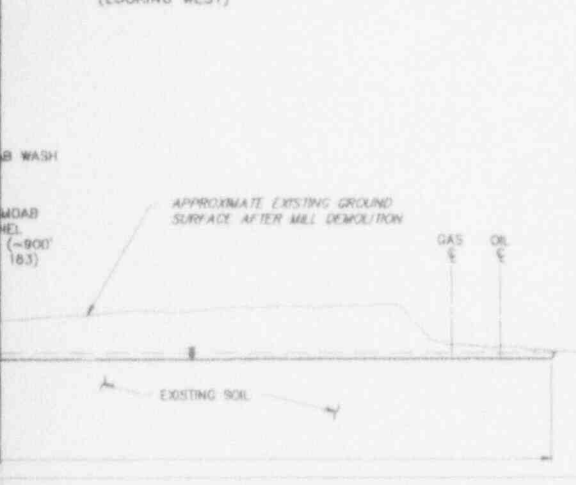


N'

ELEVATION, FEET  
4040  
4020  
4000  
3980  
3960

**SECTION N-N'**

RECONFIGURED MOAB WASH AND  
IMPOUNDMENT TOE PROTECTION  
(LOOKING NORTHWEST)



P'

ELEVATION, FEET  
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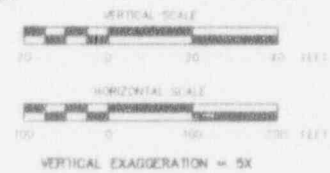
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NORTHWESTERN GAS LINE
- OIL  
APPROXIMATE CENTERLINE OF 10" DIA. MIDAMERICAN  
PIPE COMPANY LIQUID LINE

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**NOTES:**

1. FOR PLAN LOCATION OF SECTIONS, SEE SHEET 4.
2. SEE SPECIFICATIONS FOR RIPRAP AND FILTER MATERIAL REQUIREMENTS. RIPRAP AND FILTERS ARE NOT SHOWN TO SCALE, SEE SPECIFICATIONS FOR THICKNESSES BY LOCATION.
3. BURIED 9" D<sub>50</sub> ROCK WALL WILL BE CONSTRUCTED BEGINNING AT APPROXIMATELY STA. 24+60 ON THE LOWER IMPOUNDMENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL (EAST BANK) AND TERMINATING AS SHOWN ON SHEET 4. 4.1" D<sub>50</sub> CHANNEL BANK PROTECTION AND BURIED ROCK WALL AND 1.3" D<sub>50</sub> RIPRAP OVER NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT SHALL BE CONSTRUCTED ONLY IF NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT IS USED FOR DISPOSAL OF DEBRIS.
4. BURIED ROCK WALL CONFIGURATION AND ELEVATIONS SHALL BE AS SHOWN ON SECTIONS L-L', M-M', N-N', P-P', AND R-R', AND SHALL BE INTERPOLATED BETWEEN SECTIONS ACCORDING TO SLOPE OF THE RECONFIGURED MOAB WASH.



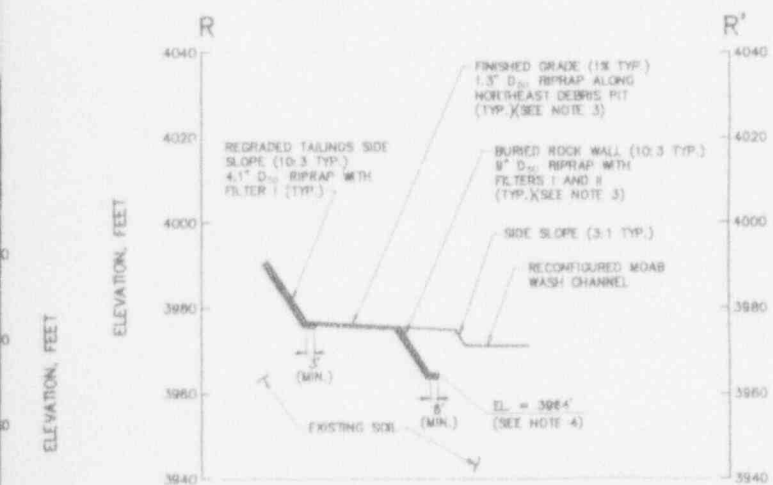
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**SECTION R-R'**

IMPOUNDMENT TOE PROTECTION DETAIL  
(LOOKING NORTHWEST)



R'

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APPENDIX A

EROSION APRON DESIGN FOR THE SOUTHWEST DRAINAGE  
CHANNEL AND THE IMPOUNDMENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL

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## PURPOSE:

Two surface water management channels will be constructed at the Atlas Corporation Moab, Utah mill to manage runoff from the reclaimed tailings impoundment. These channels are named as follows:

- Impoundment Drainage Channel
- Southwest Runoff Drainage Channel

The outlets of these channels must be protected from headcutting that may result from scour and propagate upstream, potentially impinging on tailings or buried debris. These outlets will be protected by rock cutoff walls. The purpose of this calculation brief is to state the design criteria and document the design procedures for the rock cutoff walls.

## DESIGN CRITERIA:

The cutoff walls will be designed as follows:

- A buried cutoff wall constructed of riprap will be installed at the outlet of each channel. The total depth of flow will be managed in each channel until the point where the buried cutoff wall starts.
- Engineering controls end at the beginning of the buried cutoff wall. The depth of flow will no longer be maintained at this point.
- The design depth of the cutoff wall is equal to the calculated depth of scour. The wall will be constructed of riprap. The riprap will be placed at or less than the angle of repose for the riprap so that if a scour hole develops, the riprap will remain in-place (i.e not cave-in) and maintain protection against headcutting.
- The design width of the cut-off wall will be as wide as the calculated width of scour, or at least as wide as the plan view width of the channel.

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- The nominal size (D50) of the riprap in each of the outlet channels will be maintained throughout each rock cutoff wall, respectively.

## PROCEDURE:

The dimensions of the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel and the Lower Southwest Runoff Channel were previously determined using either the Corp of Engineer's Method or the Safety Factor Method. For clarity, these spreadsheets have been enclosed as Sheets 5 and 6 of 30. The peak flow and cross-sectional area of flow from these spreadsheets are used in the scour calculation.

The grain size distribution of the Moab Wash soil is also needed to calculate scour. The grain size distributions of the Clean and Affected Moab Wash soils generated for radon barrier design were used to determine average gradation information.

Based on the configuration of each channel outlet and the gradation of the soil into which the channel discharges, the depth and width of scour can be calculated. The method used is documented on pages V-1 to V-11 of the Federal Highway Administration's (September 1983) "Hydraulic Design of Energy Dissipators for Culverts and Channels" (see Attachment A to this Calc. Brief). This method is recommended by NRC on page D-17 of the NRC's Staff Technical Position (see Reference #2).

The design depth and width of the buried cut-off wall is equal to the depth and width of scour calculated by the Federal Highway Administration's method. If design width is less than the channel plan view width, then the channel plan view width will be used to determine the width of the cutoff wall.

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Results:

TABLE 1

Summary of Channel Outlet and Rock Cutoff Wall Characteristics

| Channel / Reach                                 | Channel Outlet Characteristics |                    |  |   | Rock Cutoff Wall Characteristics       |                                    |                                    |
|---|--------------------------------|--------------------|--|---|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
|   | Bottom Width (ft)              | Depth of Flow (ft) | x-sect Area of Flow (ft <sup>2</sup> ) | Plan Width <sup>(1)</sup> of Channel (ft) | Phi Angle <sup>(2)</sup> of Riprap (°) | Depth of Scour <sup>(3)</sup> (ft) | Width of Scour <sup>(3)</sup> (ft) |
| Impoundment Drainage Channel (Lower Reach)      | 25                             | 3.53               | 125.63                                 | 46.18                                     | 42                                     | 8                                  | 48                                 |
| Southwest Runoff Drainage Channel (Lower Reach) | 50                             | 2.25               | 127.69                                 | 63.5                                      | 42                                     | 8                                  | 64                                 |

<sup>(1)</sup>Plan view width of channel is equal to bottom width plus six times depth of flow for a channel with 3H:1V sideslopes.

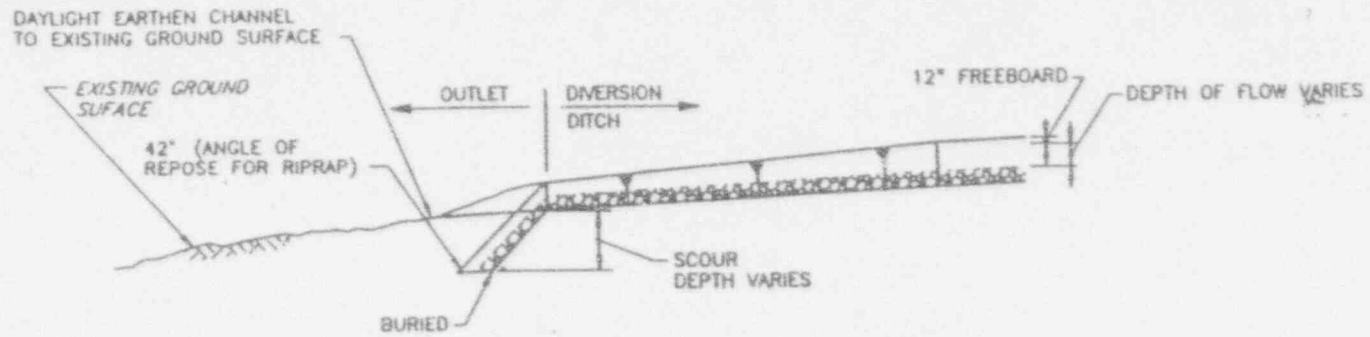
<sup>(2)</sup>Riprap Angle of Repose (phi) was taken from Surface Water Control Ditch Design Calculation, Atlas Minerals, by Canonie, 5/21/92 (submitted in the June 4, 1992 revised Atlas Reclamation Plan. Cutoff wall will be constructed at an angle less than this phi angle (approximately 40 degrees) to avoid collapse of the wall should a scour hole develop adjacent to the wall.

<sup>(3)</sup>Depth of Scour and Width of Scour calculated by the Federal Highway Administration Method were rounded up to the nearest foot to determine the dimensions of the wall. If the calculated width of scour was less than the width of the channel outlet, the width of the channel outlet was used.

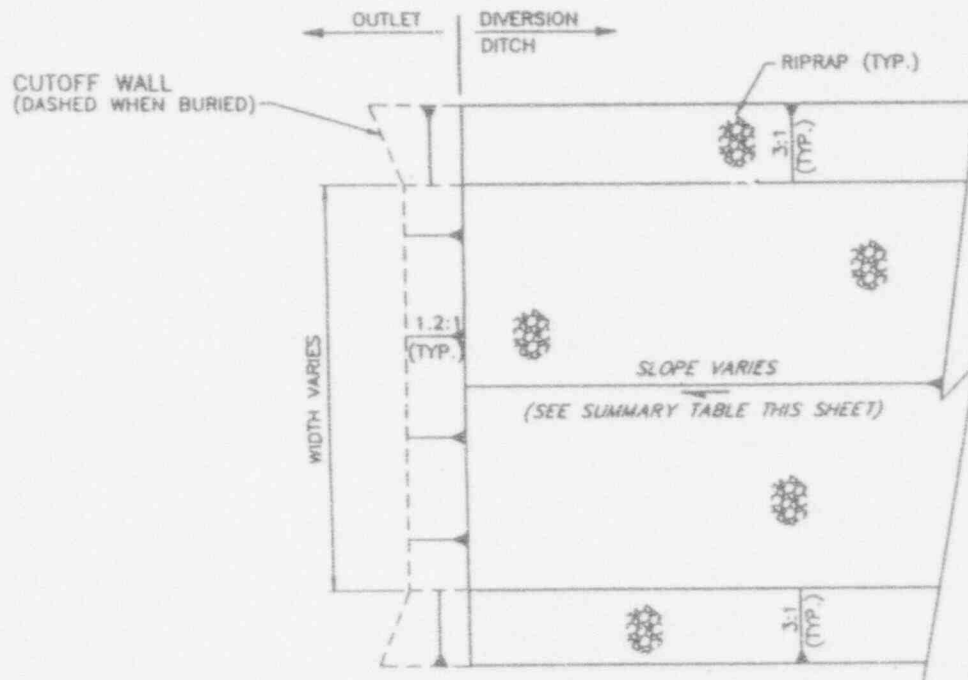


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PROFILE ROCK CUTOFF WALL  
NOT TO SCALE



PLAN  
ROCK CUTOFF WALL  
NOT TO SCALE

FIGURE 1.  
ROCK CUTOFF WALL  
DETAIL

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Channel Characteristics at the  
Outlet of the  
Impoundment Drainage Channel and  
the Southwest Runoff Channel

Using Safety Factor's Method or  
Corp of Engineer's Method

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RIPRAP SIZE AND CHANNEL CONFIGURATION DESIGN BY CORPS. OF ENGINEERS METH

PROJECT: Atlas Minerals
PROJECT #: 88-067-08
LOCATION: LOWER IMPOUNDMENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL

INPUT PARAMETERS
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Q(input) = 1640 CFS
BOTTOM WIDTH = 25 FT
Z (SIDE SLOPE) = 3 (ZH:1V)
CHANNEL SLOPE = 0.0370 FT/FT
CHANNEL LENGTH = 997 FT
FREEBOARD = 1 FT
RIPRAP S.G. = 2.47
RIPRAP DENSITY = 154.1 LB/FT^3
THETA = 42.00 Degrees

PHI = 18.43 Degrees
ALFA = 2.12 Degrees

D50 (ASSUMED) = 1.42 FT <===
17.04 IN
n = 0.042
d (ASSUMED) = 3.53 FT <===
A = 125.63 FT^2
R = 2.65 FT
Q (CALC) = 1644.1 CFS Q(INPUT) 1640.0
ITERATE UNTIL Q(CALC) = Q(INPUT)

ACTUAL AVERAGE SHEAR STRESS ON RIPRAP

AVG VEL OF FLOW= 13.09 FPS
AVERAGE SHEAR = 4.58

ALLOWABLE RIPRAP SHEAR STRESS

BOTTOM = 5.21
SIDES = 4.59

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RIPRAP SIZE AND CHANNEL CONFIGURATION DESIGN BY SAFETY FACTOR METHOD LSDCSF50.WR1

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LOCATION: Lower Southwest Runoff Drainage Channel

INPUT PARAMETERS
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Q(input) = 1723 CFS
BOTTOM WIDTH = 50 FT
Z (SIDE SLOPE) = 3 (ZM:1V)
CHANNEL SLOPE = 0.0750 FT/FT
CHANNEL LENGTH = 445 FT
RIPRAP S.G. = 2.47
COEF FOR t = 0.75 (See Reference: Figure 3.16, p. 192)
Phi = 42.00 Degrees (See Reference: Figure 3.14, p. 187)

SAFETY FACTORS METHOD
\*\*\*\*\*

Alpha = 18.43 Degrees
Theta = 4.29 Degrees

CHANNEL BOTTOM
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DSO (ASSUMED) = 2.65 FT (===)
n = 0.046
d (ASSUMED) = 2.25 FT (===)
A = 127.69 FT^2
R = 1.99 FT
Q (CALC) = 1784.8 CFS
v = 13.98 FPS
t = 10.53 PSF
nu b = 0.910

SF (bottom) = 1.00

CHANNEL SIDE SLOPES
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DSO (ASSUMED) = 2.65 FT Avg. Riprap size (===)
n = 0.046 Mannings n
d (ASSUMED) = 2.25 FT Depth of flow (===)
A = 127.69 FT^2 Area of flow
R = 1.99 FT Hydraulic Radius
Q (CALC) = 1784.8 CFS Check against Q(input)
v = 13.98 FPS Velocity
tMAX = 7.90 PSF Shear stress
nu s = 0.68 See Reference

Beta = 42.08 Degrees See Reference

nu' = 0.59 See Reference

SF (sideslope) = 1.12 Safety Factor

REFERENCE: 'Applied Hydrology and Sedimentology for Disturbed Areas', pgs. 185-194, Barfield, Warner, and Haan

'(===)' denotes variable parameters

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COMPUTE SCOUR DIMENSIONS

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### Compute Scour Dimensions

In order to determine the dimensions of scour by using the U.S. Federal Highway Administration (USFHA) method, coefficients of scour must be chosen using Table V-1 from page V-11 of Reference #1. These coefficients are chosen based on the gradation of the soil at the outlet of the channels (i.e., the material that is subject to scour).

A summary of the grain size distribution for the Moab Wash "Clean" and "Affected" soil are shown on sheets 14 and 15 of 30. These figures represent the average of all samples taken, and indicate 95% confidence intervals, maximums, and minimums. These figures were previously submitted in the Radon Barrier Cover Design Calculation, Appendix B (Sheet B-99) of the June 4, 1992 revised Atlas Reclamation Plan.

The following equation, taken from page V-2 of Reference #1, is used to assess whether the soil is uniform or graded:

$$S.D. = (d84/d16)^{0.5}, \quad \text{where S.D. is the standard deviation, } d84, d16 \text{ are extracted from the grain size distribution.}$$

If  $S.D. \leq 1.5$ , then material is uniform.

If  $S.D. \geq 1.5$ , then material is graded.

For the Moab Wash Clean and Affected soil, the average values of d84 and d16 are determined by interpolating from the plotted grain size distributions enclosed:

- Clean Soil:      d84(ave) = 0.51 mm
- d16(ave) = 0.06 mm
- Affected Soil:  d84(ave) = 1.35 mm
- d16(ave) = 0.06 mm

Therefore, using the USFHA equation above,

$$S.D. (\text{Clean soil}) = (0.51/0.06)^{0.5} = 2.9$$

$$S.D. (\text{Affected soil}) = (1.35/0.06)^{0.5} = 4.7$$

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Since S.D. is greater than 1.5, the Moab Wash soil is considered graded by the USFHA definition. The d50 (median grain size) of the Moab Wash Clean and Affected soil were also interpolated from the enclosed grain size distributions. d50 is fairly consistent between the Clean and Affected Moab Wash soils, and is interpolated to be 0.16 to 0.18 mm.

Given the properties of the Moab Wash soil as discussed above, the coefficients of scour are selected from Table V-1 of Reference #1. Given the categories on Table V-1, the coefficients of scour for a graded sand with a d50 of 2.0mm best represent the Moab Wash soil. These coefficients will be used to compute the scour dimensions. The coefficients of scour are summarized in Table 3 on the following page.

A spreadsheet has been developed to calculate the scour dimensions based on the Federal Highway Administration Method in Reference #1. These spreadsheets are enclosed as Sheets 11 and 12 of 30, and indicate the calculated scour dimensions for each outlet.

A copy of Section V of the USFHA September 1983 document (Reference #1) has been enclosed as an attachment to this calculation brief.

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TABLE 3

Coefficients of Scour

|                 | Alpha (e) | Beta | Theta |
|-----------------|-----------|------|-------|
| Depth of Scour  | 0.75      | 0.85 | 0.07  |
| Width of Scour  | 4.78      | 0.76 | 0.06  |
| Length of Scour | 12.62     | 0.41 | 0.04  |
| Volume of Scour | 12.94     | 2.09 | 0.19  |

Given the coefficients of scour from Table 3 and the configuration of the end of the apron (see sheets 5 and 6 of 30), the dimensions of scour at this location are calculated using a spreadsheet. The results of these calculations are shown on sheet 11 of 30 for the Lower Impoundment Drainage Channel and Sheet 12 of 30 for the Lower Reach of the Southwest Runoff Drainage Channel.

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SCOUR CALCULATIONS USING METHOD PRESENTED IN CHAPTER V  
OF U.S.D.O.T.'S HYDRAULIC CIRCULAR NO. 14 - HYDRAULIC  
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ASSUME NON-CIRCULAR CULVERT (CHANNEL) WITH COHESIONLESS MATERIAL  
AT END OF CULVERT (I.E. LOCATION OF SCOUR)

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IMPOUNDMENT DRAINAGE CHANNEL OUTLET

1) INPUT PARAMETERS:

PMF FLOW (Q) = 1640 CFS (From HEC-1 Analysis of Channel)  
 AREA OF FLOW (A) = 125.63 FT<sup>2</sup> (From Ditch Design Spreadsheet)  
 PEAK FLOW DURATION (t1) = 30 MINUTES (Per method, assume 30 if not specified)  
 BASE TIME (t0) = 316 MINUTES (Per method, assume 316 if not specified)

2) CALCULATED PARAMETERS:

EQUIVALENT DEPTH (Ye) = 7.9 FT  $Ye = (A/2)^{0.5}$   
 DISCHARGE INTENSITY (DI) = 1.63  $DI = Q / ((g)^{0.5} * (Ye)^{2.5})$   
 (where g = acceleration of gravity)

3) SELECT COEFFICIENTS OF SCOUR FROM TABLE V-1, (REFERENCE #1)

For a Graded Sand, d50 OF 2.0mm - Coefficients of Scour are:

|                 | Alpha | Beta | Theta |
|-----------------|-------|------|-------|
| DEPTH OF SCOUR  | 0.75  | 0.85 | 0.07  |
| WIDTH OF SCOUR  | 4.78  | 0.76 | 0.06  |
| LENGTH OF SCOUR | 12.62 | 0.41 | 0.04  |
| VOLUME OF SCOUR | 12.94 | 2.05 | 0.19  |

(FROM TABLE V-1,  
REFERENCE #1)

4) CALCULATE SCOUR DIMENSIONS:

DEPTH (Hs) = 7.7 FT Dimensions calculated by the formula:  
 WIDTH (Ws) = 47.8 FT  $\frac{\text{Dimension}}{Ye} = \alpha * (DI)^{\beta} * (t1/t0)^{\theta}$   
 LENGTH (Ls) = 111.3 FT by entering appropriate  
 VOLUME (Vs) = 11497.8 FT<sup>3</sup> scour coefficients.  
 LOCATION OF MAXIMUM SCOUR = 44.5 FT DOWNSTREAM OF THE END OF THE CHANNEL  
 (Location = 0.4 \* Ls)

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ASSUME NON-CIRCULAR CULVERT (CHANNEL) WITH COHESIONLESS MATERIAL  
AT END OF CULVERT (I.E. LOCATION OF SCOUR)

ATLAS - MOAB, UTAH HILL

SOUTHWEST RUNOFF DRAINAGE CHANNEL OUTLET

1) INPUT PARAMETERS:

|                         |   |                        |   |
|-------------------------|---|------------------------|---|
| PEAK FLOW (Q)           | = | 1723 CFS               | (From HEC-1 Analysis of Channel)          |
| AREA OF FLOW (A)        | = | 127.69 FT <sup>2</sup> | (From Ditch Design Spreadsheet)           |
| PEAK FLOW DURATION (t1) | = | 30 MINUTES             | (Per method, assume 30 if not specified)  |
| BASE TIME (t0)          | = | 316 MINUTES            | (Per method, assume 316 if not specified) |

2) CALCULATED PARAMETERS:

|                          |   |        |  |
|--------------------------|---|--------|--|
| EQUIVALENT DEPTH (Ye)    | = | 8.0 FT | $Ye = (A/2)^{0.5}$   |
| DISCHARGE INTENSITY (DI) | = | 1.68   | $DI = Q / [(g)^{0.5} * (Ye)^{2.5}]$<br>(where g = acceleration of gravity) |

3) SELECT COEFFICIENTS OF SCOUR FROM TABLE V-1, (REFERENCE 1)

For a Graded Sand, d50 OF 2.0mm - Coefficients of Scour are:

|                 | Alpha(a) | Beta | Theta |
|-----------------|----------|------|-------|
| DEPTH OF SCOUR  | 0.75     | 0.85 | 0.07  |
| WIDTH OF SCOUR  | 4.78     | 0.76 | 0.06  |
| LENGTH OF SCOUR | 12.62    | 0.41 | 0.04  |
| VOLUME OF SCOUR | 12.94    | 2.09 | 0.18  |

(FROM TABLE V-1,  
REFERENCE #1)

4) CALCULATE SCOUR DIMENSIONS:

|                           |   |  |  |
|---------------------------|---|--|--|
| DEPTH (Hs)                | = | 7.9 FT                                       | Dimensions calculated by the formula:                                    |
| WIDTH (Ws)                | = | 49.2 FT                                      | $\frac{\text{Dimension}}{Ye} = \alpha * (DI)^{\beta} * (t1/t0)^{\theta}$ |
| LENGTH (Ls)               | = | 113.6 FT                                     | by entering appropriate<br>scour coefficients.                           |
| VOLUME (Vs)               | = | 12519.0 FT <sup>3</sup>                      |  |
| LOCATION OF MAXIMUM SCOUR | = | 45.4 FT DOWNSTREAM OF THE END OF THE CHANNEL | (Location = 0.4 * Ls)  |

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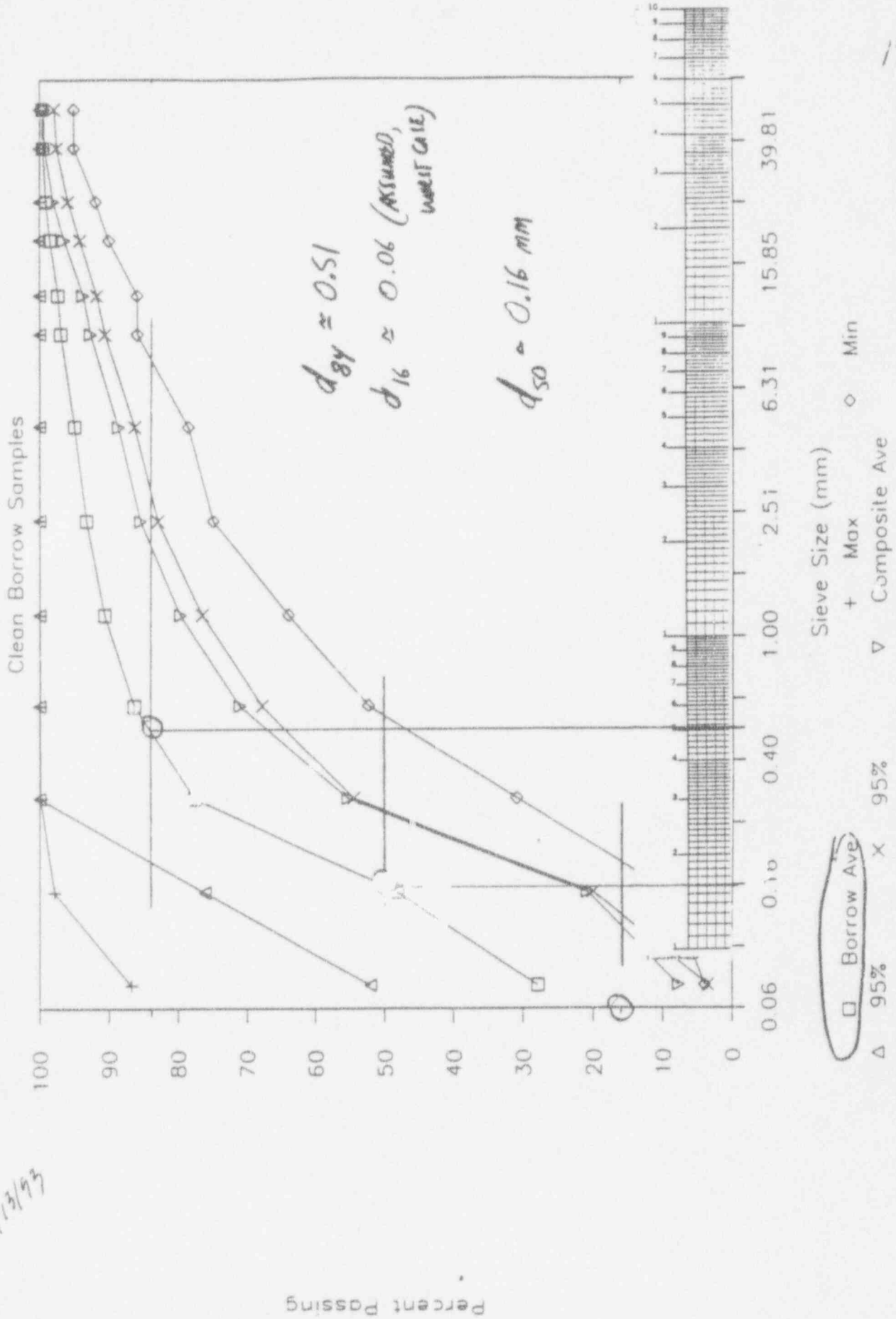
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## GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTIONS

FOR SAMPLES OF  
MOAB WASH "CLEAN" AND "AFFECTED" SOIL

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Figure 2



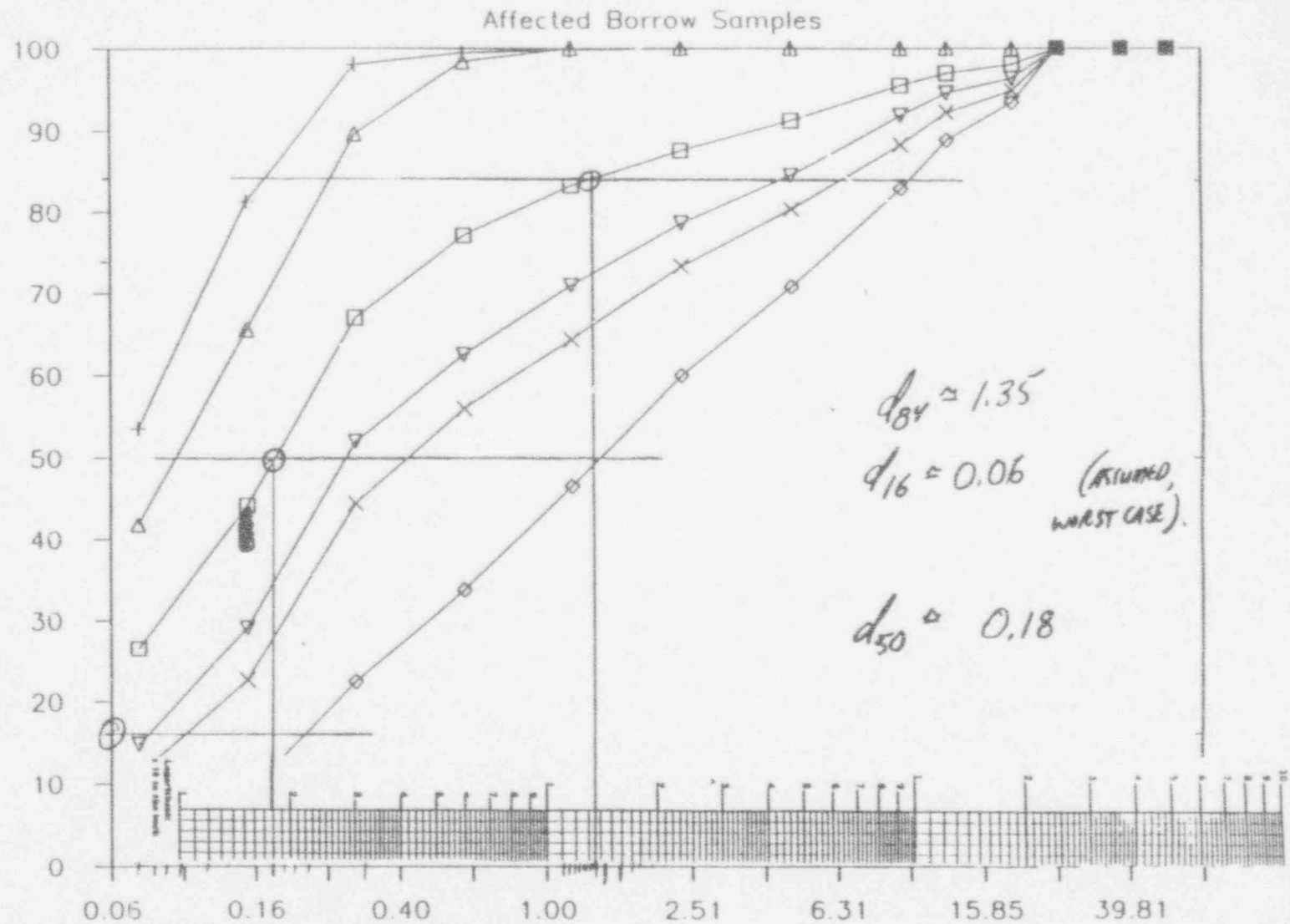
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Figure 3

Percent Passing



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## ATTACHMENT A

EXCERPTS FROM "HYDRAULIC DESIGN  
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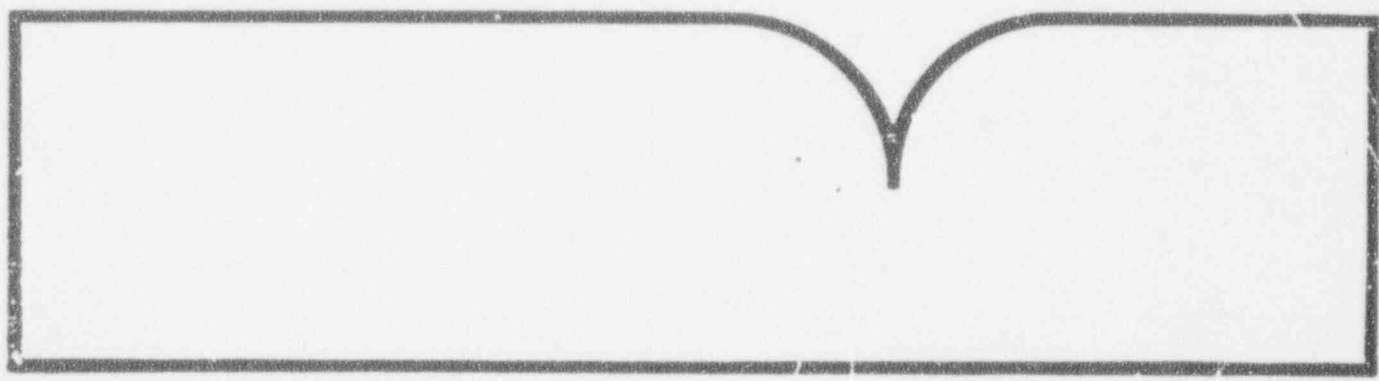
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CHAPTER V

ESTIMATING EROSION AT CULVERT OUTLETS

Estimating erosion at culvert outlets is difficult because of the many complex factors affecting erosion. Some of these factors are the discharge, culvert diameter, soil type, duration of flow and tailwater depth. In addition, the magnitude of the total erosion can consist of local scour and channel degradation, the two types of erosion discussed in Chapter II-8. Maintenance history, site reconnaissance and data on soils, flows and flow duration provide the best estimate of the potential erosion hazard at a culvert outlet.

The objective of this chapter is to present a method for predicting local scour at the outlet of structures based on soil and flow data and culvert geometry. This scour prediction is intended to serve together with the maintenance history and site reconnaissance information for determining energy dissipator needs.

Investigations (1), (3), indicate that the scour hole geometry varies with tailwater conditions with the maximum scour geometry occurring at tailwater depths less than half the culvert diameter (1); and that the maximum depth of scour ( $h_s$ ) occurs at a location approximately  $0.4 L_s$  downstream of the culvert outlet (3) where  $L_s$  is the length of scour.

Empirical equations defining the relationship between the culvert discharge intensity, time, and the length, width, depth, and volume of scour hole are presented for the maximum or extreme scour case.

Cohesionless Material

The general expression for determining scour geometry in a cohesionless soil for a circular pipe flowing full is

$$\text{Dimensionless Scour Geometry} = a \left( \frac{Q}{\sqrt{g} D^{5/2}} \right)^b \left( \frac{t}{t_0} \right)^c \quad (V-1)$$

where:

Dimensionless Scour Geometry is  $\frac{h_s}{y_e}$ ,  $\frac{W_s}{y_e}$ ,  $\frac{L_s}{y_e}$ , or  $\frac{V_s}{y_e}$

$h_s$ ,  $W_s$ ,  $L_s$ , and  $V_s$  are depth, width, length and volume of scour respectively.

$D$  is the diameter of the culvert

$Q$  is the discharge,  $g$  is the acceleration of gravity

t is the time in minutes

t<sub>0</sub> is a base time used in the experiments to derive coefficients (316 minutes unless specified otherwise).

For noncircular or part full culverts, the diameter D can be replaced by an equivalent depth y<sub>e</sub>, where y<sub>e</sub> is defined as

$$y_e = (A/2)^{1/2}$$

and A is the cross sectional area of flow. Modifying Equation (V-1) to include the equivalent depth results in the general expression.

$$\text{Dimensionless Scour Geometry} = \alpha_e \left( \frac{Q}{\sqrt{g} y_e^{5/2}} \right)^B \left( \frac{t}{t_0} \right)^\theta \quad (V-2)$$

where:

$$\alpha_e = 0.632.5^{B-1} \text{ for } h_s, W_s, \text{ and } L_s$$

$$\alpha_e = 0.632.5^{B-3} \text{ for } V_s$$

The values of the coefficients  $\alpha_e$ , B, and  $\theta$  in Equations V-1 and V-2 are given in Table V-1.

Gradation

The cohesionless bed materials presented in Table V-1 are categorized as either uniform (U) or graded (G). The grain size distribution is determined by performing a sieve analysis (ASTM DA22-63). The standard deviation ( $\sigma$ ) is computed as:

$$\sigma = \left( \frac{d_{85}}{d_{15}} \right)^{1/2}$$

where the values of d<sub>85</sub> and d<sub>15</sub> are extracted from the grain size distribution. If  $\sigma < 1.5$ , the material is considered to be uniform; if  $\sigma \geq 1.5$ , the material is classified as graded.

Cohesive Soils

If the cohesive soil is a sandy clay similar to the one tested at Colorado State University by Abt et al (8), Equation (V-1) or (V-2) and the appropriate coefficients in Table V-1 can be used to estimate the scour hole dimensions. The sandy clay tested had 58 percent sand, 27 percent clay, 15 percent silt and 1 percent organic matter; had a mean grain size of 0.15 mm and had a plasticity index, PI, of 15.

Since Equations V-1 and V-2 do not include soil characteristics, they can only be used for soils similar to the ones tested. Shear number expressions, that related scour to the critical shear stress of the soil, were derived to have a wider range of applicability for cohesive soils besides the one specific sandy clay that was tested. The shear number expressions for circular culverts are:

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{D}, \frac{W_s}{D}, \frac{L_s}{D}, \text{ or } \frac{V_s}{D} \right] = a \left( \frac{\rho V^2}{\tau_c} \right)^B \left( \frac{t}{t_0} \right)^\theta \quad (V-3)$$

and for other shaped culverts:

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{y_e}, \frac{W_s}{y_e}, \frac{L_s}{y_e}, \text{ or } \frac{V_s}{y_e} \right] = a_e \left( \frac{\rho V^2}{\tau_c} \right)^B \left( \frac{t}{t_0} \right)^\theta \quad (V-4)$$

where:  $\frac{\rho V^2}{\tau_c}$  is the modified shear number

V = outlet mean velocity

$\tau_c$  = critical tractive shear stress

$\rho$  = fluid density

$a_e = \frac{a}{.63}$  for  $h_s$ ,  $W_s$ , and  $L_s$

$a_e = \frac{a}{(.63)^3}$  for  $V_s$

The values of the coefficients a, B,  $\theta$ , and  $a_e$  in Equations V-4 and V-5 are presented in Table V-1. The critical tractive shear stress ( $\tau_c$ ) is defined as

$$\tau_c = 0.0001 (S_v + 180) \tan (30 + 1.73 PI) \quad (V-5)$$

where  $S_v$  is the saturated shear strength in pounds per square inch and PI is the Plasticity Index from the Atterberg limits.

It is recommended that Equations V-3 and V-4 be limited to sandy clay soils with a plasticity index of 5-16.

Time of Scour

The time of scour is estimated based upon a knowledge of peak flow duration. Lacking this knowledge, it is recommended that a time of 30 minutes be used in Equations V-1, V-2, V-3, and V-4. The tests indicate that approximately 2/3 to 3/4 of the maximum scour occurs in the first 30 minutes of the flow duration.

It should be noted that the exponents for the time parameter in Table V-1 reflect the relatively flat part of the scour-time relationship and are not applicable for the first 30 minutes of the scour process.

Headwalls

Installation of headwalls (6) flush with the culvert outlet moves the scour hole downstream. However, the magnitude of the scour geometries remain essentially the same as for the case without the headwall. If the culvert is installed with a headwall, the headwall should extend to a depth equal to the maximum depth of scour.

SUMMARY

The prediction equations presented in this chapter are intended to serve along with field reconnaissance as guidance for determining the need for energy dissipators at culvert outlets. It should be remembered that the equations do not include long-term channel degradation of the downstream channel. The equations are based on tests which were conducted to determine maximum scour for the given condition and therefore represent what might be termed worst case scour geometries. The equations were derived from tests conducted by the Corps of Engineers (1), and Colorado State University (5), (6), (7), (8) and (9).

Design Procedure

1. Perform a hydrologic analysis of the drainage in which the culvert is located or to be placed. Estimate the magnitude and duration of the peak discharge. Express the discharge in cfs and the duration in minutes.

The discharge intensity is

$$D.I. = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{g} D^{5/2}} \text{ for circular culverts flowing full}$$

$$D.I. = \frac{Q}{\sqrt{g} y_e^{5/2}} \text{ for other shapes}$$

$$\text{where } y_e = \left(\frac{A}{2}\right)^{1/2}$$

FOR COHESIONLESS MATERIALS, OR THE 0.15mm SANDY CLAY

2. Compute the discharge intensity when the culvert is flowing at the peak discharge.
3. Determine scour coefficients from Table V-1.
4. Compute the scour hole dimensions from

$$\left[\frac{h_s}{D}, \frac{W_s}{D}, \frac{L_s}{D}, \text{ or } \frac{V_s}{D}\right] = a \left(\frac{Q}{\sqrt{g} D^{5/2}}\right)^B \left(\frac{t}{316}\right)^B \quad (V-1)$$

or

$$\left[\frac{h_s}{y_e}, \frac{W_s}{y_e}, \frac{L_s}{y_e}, \text{ or } \frac{V_s}{y_e}\right] = a_e \left(\frac{Q}{\sqrt{g} y_e^{5/2}}\right)^B \left(\frac{t}{316}\right)^B \quad (V-2)$$

FOR OTHER COHESIVE MATERIALS WITH PI FROM 5 TO 16

- a. Compute the culvert outlet velocity in feet/sec.
- b. Obtain a soil sample at the proposed culvert location.
- c. Perform Atterberg limits tests and determine the plasticity index, PI (ASTM D423-36).

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- d. Saturate a sample and perform an unconfined compressive test (ASTM D211-66-76) to determine the saturated shear stress,  $S_v$ , in pounds per square inch.
  - e. Compute the critical tractive shear strength,  $\tau_c$ , from equation V-5.
  - f. Compute the modified shear number  $\frac{\rho v^2}{\tau_c}$
3. Determine scour coefficients from Table V-1.
  4. Compute the desired scour hole dimensions from

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{D}, \frac{W_s}{D}, \frac{L_s}{D}, \text{ or } \frac{V_s}{D} \right] = a \left( \frac{v^2}{\tau_c} \right)^b \left( \frac{t}{316} \right)^c$$

for circular culvert

or

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{y_e}, \frac{W_s}{y_e}, \frac{L_s}{y_e}, \frac{V_s}{y_e^3} \right] = a_e \left( \frac{v^2}{\tau_c} \right)^b \left( \frac{t}{316} \right)^c$$

for noncircular culverts.

Example Problem Cohesionless Material

Determine the scour geometry--maximum depth, width, length and volume of scour--for a proposed circular 30-inch C.M.P. discharging an estimated 50 cfs when flowing full. The downstream channel is composed of a graded gravel material.

1. The duration of the peak discharge of 50 cfs is not known. Therefore, a peak flow duration of 30 minutes will be estimated.
2. The circular, 30-inch C.M.P. at 50 cfs will have a discharge intensity of

$$D.I. = \frac{30}{\sqrt{9} (30)^{5/2}} = \frac{50}{(5.67)(2.5)^{5/2}} = 0.89$$

3. The coefficients of scour obtained from Table V-1 are:

|                 | a     | s    | θ   |
|-----------------|-------|------|-----|
| Depth of Scour  | 1.49  | .50  | .03 |
| Width of Scour  | 8.76  | 0.89 | .10 |
| Length of Scour | 13.09 | 0.62 | .07 |
| Volume of Scour | 42.31 | 2.28 | .17 |

4. Scour hole dimensions:

$$\text{depth: } \frac{h_s}{D} = a \left( \frac{D}{.9 D^{2.5}} \right)^s \left( \frac{t}{316} \right)^\theta$$

$$= 1.49 (0.89) 0.50 (0.09) .03; h_s = 3.27 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{width: } \frac{W_s}{D} = 8.76 (0.89) 0.89 (.09) .10; W_s = 15.5 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Length: } \frac{L_s}{D} = 13.09 (0.89) 0.62 (.09) .07; L_s = 25.72 \text{ ft}$$

$$\text{Volume: } \frac{V_s}{D^3} = 42.31 (0.89) 2.28 (.09) .17; V_s = 335.79 \text{ ft}^3$$

5. The location of the maximum scour (Figure V-2)

$$0.4 (L_s) = .4 (25.72) = 10.3 \text{ ft downstream of the culvert outlet.}$$



Example Problem Cohesive Material

Determine the scour geometry—maximum depth, width, length and volume of scour for an existing circular 24-inch C.M.P. discharging an estimated 40 cfs when flowing full. The downstream channel is composed of a sandy-clay material.

1. The duration of the peak discharge of 40 cfs is not known. Therefore, a peak flow duration of 30 minutes will be estimated.

2. a. The average velocity at the culvert outlet is:

$$V = \frac{Q}{A} = \frac{40.0}{3.14} = 12.74 \text{ fps}$$

b-e. The sandy-clay material was tested and found to have a Plasticity Index (PI) of 12 and a saturated shear strength (Sv) of 240 psi.

The critical tractive shear can be estimated by substituting into Equation V-

$$\tau_c = 0.001 (240 + 180) \tan (30 + 1.73(12))$$

$$0.001(420) \tan (50.76) = 0.51 \text{ lb/ft}^2$$

f. The modified shear number  $S_{n,mod} = \frac{(\rho V^2)}{\tau_c}$  is:

$$S_{n,mod} = \frac{1.94 (12.74)^2}{0.51} = 617.4$$

3. The experimental coefficients  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  and  $\theta$  from Table V-1 are

|        | $\alpha$ | $\beta$ | $\theta$ |
|--------|----------|---------|----------|
| Depth  | .86      | .18     | .10      |
| Width  | 3.55     | .17     | .07      |
| Length | 2.82     | .33     | .09      |
| Volume | .62      | .93     | .23      |

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4. The scour hole dimensions are:

$$\frac{h_s}{D} = a \left( \frac{\rho V^2}{\gamma_c} \right)^b \left( \frac{t}{315} \right)^c$$

$$= .86(617.4)^{-1.8} (.09)^{1.0}; \quad h_s = 2.14 \times 2 = 4.30 \text{ ft}$$

$$\frac{w_s}{D} = 3.55(617.4)^{-1.7} (.09)^{.07}; \quad w_s = 8.94 \times 2 = 27.9 \text{ ft}$$

$$\frac{L_s}{D} = 2.82(617.4)^{-.33} (.09)^{-.09}; \quad L_s = 18.92 \times 2 = 37.8 \text{ ft}$$

$$\frac{V_s}{D^3} = .62(617.4)^{-.93} (.09)^{-.23}; \quad V_s = 140.3 \times 2^3 = 1122.5 \text{ ft}^3$$

5. Location of maximum depth of scour (Figure V-2)

$$0.4 L_s = 0.4(37.8) = 15.1 \text{ ft downstream of culvert outlet}$$

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Table V-1. Experimental Coefficients for Culvert Outlet Scour

| MATERIAL                           | NOMINAL GRAIN SIZE $d_{50}$ (mm) | SCOUR EQUATION | DEPTH |       |      | WIDTH |       |      | LENGTH |      |       | VOLUME |       |       |        |      |       |       |
|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|------|--------|------|-------|--------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|
|                                    |                                  |                | $a$   | $b$   | $n$  | $a$   | $b$   | $n$  | $a$    | $b$  | $n$   | $a$    | $b$   | $n$   |        |      |       |       |
| Uniform Sand                       | 0.20                             | V-1 or V-2     | 2.72  | -0.75 | 0.10 | 2.79  | 11.73 | 0.92 | -15    | 6.44 | 16.82 | 0.71   | 0.125 | 11.75 | 203.36 | 2.0  | 0.375 | 80.71 |
| Uniform Sand                       | 2.0                              | V-1 or V-2     | 1.60  | 0.45  | 0.09 | 1.76  | 8.44  | 0.57 | 0.06   | 6.94 | 18.76 | 0.51   | 0.17  | 16.10 | 101.48 | 1.41 | 3.34  | 79.67 |
| Graded Sand                        | 2.0                              | V-1 or V-2     | 1.22  | 0.85  | 0.07 | 1.76  | 7.25  | 0.76 | 0.06   | 4.78 | 12.77 | 0.41   | 0.04  | 12.62 | 36.17  | 2.09 | 0.19  | 12.94 |
| Uniform Gravel                     | 8.0                              | V-1 or V-2     | 1.78  | 0.95  | 0.04 | 1.68  | 9.13  | 0.62 | 0.08   | 7.08 | 14.36 | 0.95   | 0.12  | 7.61  | 65.91  | 1.86 | 0.19  | 12.15 |
| Graded Gravel                      | 8.0                              | V-1 or V-2     | 1.49  | 0.50  | 0.03 | 1.33  | 8.76  | 0.89 | 0.10   | 4.97 | 13.09 | 0.62   | 0.07  | 10.15 | 42.21  | 2.28 | 0.17  | 32.82 |
| Cohesive Sandy Clay<br>MS-John #15 | 0.15                             | V-1 or V-2     | 1.86  | 4.57  | 0.10 | 1.53  | 8.63  | 0.35 | 0.07   | 9.14 | 15.30 | 0.93   | 0.09  | 14.78 | 79.73  | 1.42 | 0.23  | 61.81 |
| Various<br>L-7y PI 5-16            | Various                          | V-3 or V-4     | 0.86  | 0.18  | 0.10 | 1.37  | 3.55  | 0.17 | 0.07   | 5.63 | 2.82  | 0.33   | 0.09  | 4.46  | 0.62   | 0.93 | 0.21  | 2.48  |

EQUATIONS:

V-1. FOR CIRCULAR CULVERTS. Cohesionless material or the 0.15mm cohesive sandy clay

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{D} \cdot \frac{M}{D} \cdot \frac{L_s}{D} \cdot \frac{1}{D} \cdot \frac{1}{D} \cdot \frac{1}{D} \right] \cdot \left( \frac{V}{D} \right)^{0.572} \left( \frac{L_s}{D} \right)^{0.1}$$

where  $t_c = 316$  min.

V-3. FOR CIRCULAR CULVERTS. Cohesive sandy clay with PI = 5-16

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{D} \cdot \frac{M}{D} \cdot \frac{L_s}{D} \cdot \frac{1}{D} \cdot \frac{1}{D} \cdot \frac{1}{D} \right] \cdot \left( \frac{V}{D} \right)^{0.572} \left( \frac{L_s}{D} \right)^{0.1}$$

where:  $t_c = 316$  min.

V-2. FOR OTHER CULVERTS SHAPES. Same material as above.

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{r_e} \cdot \frac{M}{r_e} \cdot \frac{L_s}{r_e} \cdot \frac{1}{r_e} \cdot \frac{1}{r_e} \cdot \frac{1}{r_e} \right] \cdot \left( \frac{V}{r_e} \right)^{0.572} \left( \frac{L_s}{r_e} \right)^{0.1}$$

where  $t_c = 316$  min.

V-4. FOR OTHER CULVERT SHAPES. Cohesive sandy clay with PI = 5-16

$$\left[ \frac{h_s}{r_e} \cdot \frac{M}{r_e} \cdot \frac{L_s}{r_e} \cdot \frac{1}{r_e} \cdot \frac{1}{r_e} \cdot \frac{1}{r_e} \right] \cdot \left( \frac{V}{r_e} \right)^{0.572} \left( \frac{L_s}{r_e} \right)^{0.1}$$

where:  $t_c = 316$  min.

APPENDIX B

MOAB WASH CHANNEL BANK  
EROSION PROTECTION DESIGN CALCULATION BRIEF

**MOAB WASH CHANNEL BANK AND NORTHEAST DEBRIS PIT  
 EROSION PROTECTION**

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**Purpose and Background.** The purpose of this calculation brief is to determine the size and quantity of riprap to protect the tailings embankment of the Atlas Uranium Tailings Impoundment in Moab Utah from a potential encroachment by the Moab Wash. Figure 1 (sheet 24) shows a plan view of the Tailings Impoundment and Moab Wash at the Atlas Site in Moab, Utah. Figure 2 shows several cross sections along the Moab Wash.

Also, as part of this calculation brief, erosion protection will be designed for the Northeast Debris Pit located adjacent to the toe of the reclaimed disposal area. Erosion protection will be designed to protect the pit from Moab Wash flows and from runoff from the 10:3 embankment outslope.

The U.S. Nuclear Regulatory Commission (NRC) believes that the inner channel of the Moab Wash may meander over to the base of the 10:3 slope of the tailing's embankment during the 1000 year design period as indicated on the sketch in Figure 3. To prevent encroachment upon the tailings from scouring of the Moab Wash, additional riprap protection along the southern bank of the Moab Wash at the edge of the tailings embankment will be designed as shown on Figure 3.

Riprap to protect the Northeast debris pit from the Moab Wash flows will be placed at the end of 1 % slope as indicated on Figure 4. To protect the pit from runoff from the 10:3 embankment, riprap will be placed on top of the debris pit from the base of the 10:3 slope to the start of the 3:1 slope as indicated on Figure 4.

Important assumptions in the design calculations that follow are:



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- The meandered channel configuration as sketched on the cross sections in Figure 2 has the same channel invert elevation, Probable Maximum Flow (PMF), Depth at PMF, and channel width as the original channel.

Additionally, as seen from Figure 1, encroachment of the Moab Wash upon the tailing's embankment is most likely from section L-L' to N-N' because the cutting edge (outside bank of a bend) of Moab Wash is towards the tailings. However, after section N-N', the Moab Wash and the impoundment are configured such that the erosion will occur on the opposite side of the Moab Wash channel. Conversely, deposition will occur along the tailings impoundment east of section N-N'. As a precautionary measure, riprap protection will be extended past section N-N' to the limits of the reconfigured Moab Wash and then along the 3:1 side slope of the Moab Wash limit to the end of the Northeast Debris Pit as indicated on Figure 1. However, the remaining portion of the tailings will not be projected, and the analysis of potential erosion of the east bank of the impoundment by the Colorado River and the Moab Wash provided in the Atlas Corp. Reclamation Plan (Canonie, 1992) remains valid.

(SHEET 22)

Results. Table 7a summarizes scour depth, riprap invert elevation, and riprap top elevation for the Moab Wash Channel Bank protection. Table 7b (sheet 22) summarizes the riprap width, riprap length, riprap mean grain size, riprap layer thickness, volume of riprap, and volume of filter material for the Moab Wash channel bank protection and Northeast debris pit erosion protection. Figure 3 shows the Moab Wash channel bank protection for the riprap placed at the base of the regraded tailings 10:3 embankment from section L-L' to the beginning of the Northeast Debris pit as shown on Figure 1. Figure 4 shows the Northeast Debris pit riprap for erosion protection from runoff from the 10:3 embankment slope and from Moab Wash flows.

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Method. The method for determining the size of the riprap protection to protect the embankment from Moab Wash flows, the method for determining the riprap to protect the Northeast debris pit, and the method for determining the depth of scour and required volume of riprap are discussed below. In summary, the following approach will be used:

- Riprap  $D_{50}$  size required to protect against Moab Wash PMF flows are determined based on hydraulic properties at sections L-L', M-M', N-N', and P-P' (See Figure 1) using the Corp of Engineers (allowable local shear stress) method. Conservative assumptions are used such as average channel velocities (in lieu of channel bank velocities) and supercritical flow conditions (resulting in higher velocities).
- Riprap gradation and filter requirements are determined from the  $D_{50}$  sizes calculated.
- Protection of the impoundment toe and Moab Wash Channel toe is evaluated.
- Overland flow analysis is performed to determine required riprap over the proposed Northeast Debris pit to protect from runoff from the 10:3 embankment.
- Scour depth is evaluated at the impoundment toe at sections L-L', M-M', N-N', and P-P' (See Figure 1).
- The configuration of the Moab Wash/Impoundment toe erosion protection is determined by:
  - extending a buried rock wall to the maximum depth of scour, and completing the wall at 1.0' above Moab Wash subcritical (conservative) PMF water elevation. (see Figures 3 and 4)
  - Providing additional protection of the impoundment toe by designing a horizontal component at the base of the buried rock wall.
- The volume of Moab Wash and Northeast debris pit riprap protection is determined.

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1. Channel Bank Riprap. To determine the size of riprap required to protect the tailings from Moab wash flows, the Corps of Engineers (COE) method (EM-1110-2-1601, 1970) is used to size the riprap. Attachment A (Sheet 30) contains excerpts from EM-1110-2-1601. The COE method compares the local shear stress over a channel cross section to an allowable channel bottom shear stress and an allowable channel side shear stress. The local shear,  $\tau_o$ , is:

$$\tau_o = \frac{\gamma V^2}{(32.6 \text{ LOG}_{10} 12.2 \frac{Y}{D_{50}})^2}$$

where

V = Avg. local velocity, ft/s.

Y = depth of flow, ft.

$D_{50}$  = Riprap mean grain size diameter, ft.

The equations describing the allowable bottom and side shear are:

$$\tau = a(\gamma_s - \gamma_w) D_{50}$$

$$\tau' = \tau \left(1 - \frac{\sin^2 \phi}{\sin^2 \theta}\right)^{0.5}$$

where

$\tau$  = bottom shear stress, psf

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$\tau'$  = side shear stress, psf

$a$  = constant = 0.04

$\gamma_s$  = unit weight of riprap, = 154.1 pcf, using specific gravity of 2.47

$\gamma_w$  = unit weight of water = 62.4 pcf

$\phi$  = side slope angle of channel =  $\tan^{-1}(3/10) = 16.7^\circ$  (10:3 slope)

$\theta$  = angle of repose of riprap =  $42^\circ$

For specific gravity and riprap repose angle reference see Surface Water Control Calculations, Atlas Corporation Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992), Appendix D.

For a given channel configuration, a  $D_{50}$  (mean grain size) is chosen and the shear stress equations are solved. A new  $D_{50}$  is chosen until the actual shear stress is less than the allowable shear stress. Table 1 (sheet 15) presents the results from COE method for sections L-L', M-M', N-N', and P-P' along the Moab Wash. Depth of flow and main channel velocity (taken as the average local velocity) are from the HEC-2 Moab Wash supercritical run performed for the Atlas Corporation Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992). The output from the Moab Wash HEC-2 supercritical run has been included as Attachment B. Sections L-L', M-M', N-N', and P-P' roughly correspond to sections 6, 5, 4, and 2 respectively in the HEC-2 run provided in Attachment B. Supercritical velocities are greater than subcritical velocities and supercritical depths are slightly smaller than subcritical depths resulting in a greater local shear stress and more conservative  $D_{50}$  size. Figure 1 shows the location of the approximate sections.

A. Riprap Gradation Analysis

The  $D_{50}$  sizes range from 2.4" to 8.8". These are raw  $D_{50}$  (not oversized) and need to be oversized for durability by 2 % (see Rock Quality - Assessment of Oversizing Requirements, Atlas Corp. Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992), Appendix E).

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Moab Wash Sections L-L', M-M', and N-N'. To minimize the number of riprap gradations, the riprap for the Moab Wash channel bank protection for sections L-L', M-M, and N-N' will be grouped into one single gradation with a largest raw  $D_{50}$  of 8.8" calculated for section L-L'. With 2% oversizing, the necessary  $d_{50}$  for the gradation is:

$$1.02 \times 8.8" = 9.0 \text{ inches.}$$

Since no riprap gradations exist for a  $D_{50}$  of 9" in the reclamation design submitted in the Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, June 1992), a new riprap gradation must be developed. The same procedure followed in the Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, June 1992) will be followed to develop the gradation. The  $D_{50}$  sizes for the Moab Wash sections were designed under supercritical conditions (i.e. Froude Number > 1). Therefore, according to Simons (1982):

$$D_{\max} = 1.25 \times D_{50} = 1.25 \times 9 = 11.25 \text{ "}$$

$$D_{20} = D_{50}/2 = 4.5 \text{ "}$$

$$D_{10} = D_{50}/3 = 3 \text{ "}$$

Using these values, a lower limit riprap gradation curve is developed (see Figure 5 (sheet 28)). To provide flexibility during construction, a range of particle sizes for the gradation is developed by sketching an upper limit curve. NUREG 4651 recommends that the uniformity coefficient,  $C_u$ , of the riprap envelope be  $\geq 1.75$  to maintain a well graded riprap layer. The upper limit curve is sketched on Figure 5 and the gradation requirement is summarized on Table 2 (sheet 16). The thickness of this riprap layer is:

$$1.5 \times D_{50} = \underline{13.5"} \text{ (NRC, Final STP, 1990 for } D_{50} > 8")$$

Moab Wash Section P-P'. For riprap designed according to section P-P' (see Figure 1 for the location of this riprap), with a raw  $D_{50}$  of 2.4", alluvial cobbles will be used because the raw  $D_{50}$  is less than 3". Riprap from the rock borrow source of the alluvial cobbles must be oversized 15% for durability and 20% for roundness (see

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Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, June 1992), Appendix E for oversizing specifications).

The necessary  $D_{50}$  is therefore:

$$2.4" (1.15) \times (1.20) = \underline{3.3"}$$

To limit the number of riprap gradations, the riprap gradation developed in the Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, June 1992) for the Collection Ditches, 10:3 Embankment, and 10:1 Embankment with a necessary  $D_{50}$  4.1 inches will be used for section P-P'. The gradation requirement is summarized in Table 2. The riprap layer thickness is:

$$2 \times D_{50} \approx \underline{8"} \text{ (NRC, 1990 for } D_{50} < 8")$$

This riprap is designed to protect the Northeast Debris Pit from Moab Wash Flows. See item 2 below for the design of riprap protection from runoff from the 10:3 embankment.

#### B. Toe Protection

To provide additional protection at the toe of the channel protection from Moab Wash flows, riprap is extended 5 times the riprap layer thickness horizontally from the base of the channel protection. This distance from the toe is recommended in EM-1110-2-1601 (US COE, 1991) (See Attachment A for excerpts). For Moab Wash riprap protection corresponding to sections L-L', M-M', and N-N', which have a riprap layer thickness of 13.5 inches, the distance extended horizontally from the toe is:

$$5 \times 13.5" = 67.5" \text{ (say } \underline{6 \text{ ft.}})$$

For the Moab Wash riprap corresponding to section P-P', which has a riprap layer thickness of 8" (see Table 2), the distance extended horizontal from the toe is:

$$5 \times 8" = 40" \text{ (say } \underline{3.5'})$$

### C. Filter Requirements

The same filter rock gradations as developed in the Atlas Corp. Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992) will be placed under the Moab Wash riprap. Both Filter I and Filter II are required beneath the Moab Wash riprap <sup>(SECTIONS L-L, M-M, N-N)</sup> to prevent fine grained soils from migrating into the 9" D<sub>50</sub> riprap layer as shown by the following calculations:

- From upper limit curve on Figure 5, D<sub>15</sub> riprap = 6.4"
- Minimum D<sub>85</sub> Filter with respect to riprap = D<sub>15</sub> riprap/5 (NUREG 4620)  
or D<sub>85</sub> filter = 6.4/5 = 1.28 "
- From Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, 1992 Appendix E) , Minimum D<sub>85</sub> Filter with respect to soil base = 0.92" which is less than 1.28" therefore, a second filter is required.

For the smaller riprap size of section P-P' (See Figure 1 for location) which corresponds the 4.1" D<sub>50</sub> riprap gradtion developed in the Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, 1992), only Filter I is required. Refer to Rock Quality - Assessment of Oversizing Requirements Atlas Corp. Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992), Appendix E for detailed discussion of filter design requirements.

2. Northeast Debris Pit Riprap. The riprap required to protect the Northeast Debris Pit from runoff from the 10:3 embankment is designed considering overland flow erosion. Riprap protection for overland flow erosion is designed using the Stephensen's method for slopes greater than 10 percent and the safety factors method for slopes less than 10 percent. These methods are outlined in the NRC NUREG-4620 and NUREG-4651 and in Appendix C of the Atlas Corp. Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992).

Peak discharge on the 10:3 embankment and on the 1% slope over the debris pit (refer to Figure 4 for a profile of the 10:3 and 1% slopes and Northeast Debris Pit) are added together to determine the D<sub>50</sub> size. In Appendix C of the Atlas Corp.

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Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992), riprap protection was designed for the 10:3 embankment areas. Table 3 (sheet 17) (taken from Appendix C of the Atlas Corp. Reclamation Plan (Canonie, June 1992)) shows the results from for the 10:3 embankment area immediately adjacent to the debris pit as computed using Stephensen's method. The peak discharge on the 10:3 slope assuming a unit width is 0.374 cfs. Table 4 (sheet 18) shows the overland flow calculations using the Safety Factors method for the 1% slope. The peak discharge on the 1% slope is 0.188 cfs. The total discharge on the 1% slope is therefore,  $0.374 + 0.188 = 0.562$  cfs. Using this combined discharge, the required  $D_{50}$  on the 1% slope over the debris pit is computed. The results using the Safety Factors method are displayed on Table 5 (sheet 19). A  $D_{50}$  of 0.4 inches on the 1% slope is required. This is a raw  $D_{50}$  and must be oversized 15% for durability and 20% for roundness. The necessary  $D_{50}$  is:

$$0.4" \times 1.15 \times 1.20 = 0.55 "$$

The 1" Rock Mulch Gradation (1.3"  $D_{50}$ ) developed in the Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, June 1992) will be used for the erosion protection over the northeast debris pit area. This riprap gradation is repeated in Table 2 as the riprap required to protect the Northeast debris pit from runoff from the 10:3 embankment.

To prevent the developing of scour holes along the toe of the 10:3 embankment and possible undercutting of the riprap over the Northeast Debris pit, the 4.1"  $D_{50}$  riprap is extended 3 ft. out from the toe. Based on the toe protection methods presented in "Erosion Protection of Uranium Tailings Impoundments" (NRC, 1986) (See Attachment A for excerpts), riprap should be extended at a minimum of 1.5 x the depth of scour. From Appendix D of the Atlas Corp. Response to NRC Comments (Canonie, April 1993) report, the worst case depth of scour at the toe of the 10:3 embankment was determined as 0.92 ft. Therefore, extending the 4.1"  $D_{50}$  riprap protection 3 feet is conservative ( $1.5 \times 0.92' = 1.4' < 3'$ ).



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3. Scour Depth. To determine scour depth resulting from Moab Wash flows, the applicable methods listed in Pemberton (1984) (see Attachment C for excerpts) will be used. Specifically, equations for riprap bank slope protection will be applied. Velocities from the HEC-2 supercritical run (see Attachment B) are greater than the subcritical velocities and will be used to compute the depth of scour. The depth of scour methods are summarized below:

Method 1. Field Measurement of Scour.

$$d_s = K (q)^{0.24} \text{ (eq. 24 in Attachment C)}$$

$$K = 2.45 \text{ (constant)}$$

$q$  = discharge (ft<sup>3</sup>/s) / topwidth of channel flow (ft). Total PMF discharge in Moab Wash Channel (see Attachment B) is 16,129 cfs. Topwidth of channel flow for the sections along Moab Wash are given as part of the HEC-2 output in Attachment B.

Method 2. Regime Equation by field measurement

a. Lacey Empirical Equation:

$$d_m = 0.47 (Q/f)^{1/3} \text{ (eq. 26 in Attachment C)}$$

$Q$  = design discharge, cfs

$f$  = Lacey silt factor =  $1.76 D_m^{1/2}$  where  $D_m$  = mean grain size of bed material = 0.16 mm as shown on Figure 6.

$d_s = Z d_m$  where  $Z$  = .25 straight bends, 0.5 moderate bends, and 0.75 for severe bends (see table 7 in Attachment C)

b. Blench Equation for zero bed factor.

$$d_{to} = (q_f)^{2/3} / F_{bo}^{1/3} \text{ (eq. 27 in Attachment C)}$$

$d_{to}$  = depth for zero bed sediment transport, ft

$q_f$  = design flood discharge per unit width (same as  $q$  in method 1)

$F_{bo}$  = Blench's zero bed factor in ft/s<sup>2</sup>. From Attachment C (sheet 53) using  $D_m = 0.16$  mm,  $F_{bo} = 0.8$  ft/s<sup>2</sup>

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$d_s = z d_{t0}$  where  $z = 0.6$  for straight, moderate, and severe bends.

Method 3. Mean Velocity Method from field measurements:

$$d_s = d_m Z$$

$$d_m = \text{mean channel depth (ft)} = \text{area of flow (ft}^2\text{)/topwidth of flow (ft)}$$

$z =$  defined above as for method 2a.

Method 4. Competent or limiting control to scour method:

$$d_s = d_m (V_m/V_c - 1) \text{ (eq. 32 Attachment C)}$$

where

$d_s =$  scour depth, ft

$d_m =$  mean depth, ft = area/topwidth

$V_m =$  mean velocity, ft/s =  $Q/A$

$V_c =$  competent velocity, ft/s  $\approx 2$  ft/s (SHEET 53, Attachment. C using lowest bed material size on figure and depth of flow of 5 ft.)

Calculations for sections L-L', M-M', N-N' and P-P' are summarized in Table 6. The final scour depth is computed by averaging scour depths from each of the methods. From the literature supplied in Attachment C, method 1 and 4 presented above may not be entirely applicable because these methods are more applicable with coarser bed size material. However, by using these methods, the final averaged scour depth result is slightly more conservative.

From the depth of scour the width of riprap along the Moab Channel bank is determined as using the equations for width shown in Figure 3 and 4. Flow, area, channel topwidth, and depth of flow values in Table 6 are from the Moab Wash HEC-2 supercritical run found in Attachment B and appendix G of the Atlas Corp. Rec. Plan (Canonie, June 1992).

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4. Volume of Riprap. The volume of required riprap is computed from the width of riprap, length of riprap along the channel bank, and layer thickness. Table 7b (sheet 22) provides a summary of the riprap length, riprap mean grain size, riprap layer thickness, required volume of riprap, and required volume of filter material for the Moab Wash Channel bank protection and for the Northeast Debris pit riprap protection. Table 7a summarizes the scour depth, invert elevation of riprap and top of riprap elevation for the Moab Wash Channel Bank protection.

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TABLES

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Table 1.

Summary of Corps of Engineers Method for Riprap  
Moab Wash Realignment

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| Section | Depth of Flow(1)<br>ft | Main Channel Velocity (1),<br>ft/s | Riprap Minimum Mean Grain Size(2)<br>(D50) |     | Local Shear(2)<br>psf | Allowable Bottom Shear (2)<br>psf | Allowable Side Shear (2)<br>psf |
|---------|------------------------|------------------------------------|--|-----|-----------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------------------|
|         |                        |                                    | ft   | in  |                       |                                   |                                 |
| L-L'    | 3.99                   | 11.72                              | 0.73                                       | 8.8 | 2.42                  | 2.68                              | 2.42                            |
| M-M'    | 4.70                   | 10.52                              | 0.45                                       | 5.4 | 1.47                  | 1.65                              | 1.49                            |
| N-N'    | 4.61                   | 11.08                              | 0.55                                       | 6.6 | 1.78                  | 2.02                              | 1.82                            |
| P-P'    | 2.31                   | 6.83                               | 0.20                                       | 2.4 | 0.59                  | 0.73                              | 0.66                            |

Notes:

- (1) From HEC-2 Moab Wash Supercritical Run. (see Attachment B)
- (2) Calculated using Corp of Engineers Method.

TABLE 2

SUMMARY OF RIPRAP GRADATION REQUIREMENTS  
(Allowable Percent Passing Given Dimension)

| Location                                      | Necessary<br>D50 (a)<br>(inches) | Actual<br>D50<br>(inches) | Riprap Layer<br>Thickness<br>(inches) | Sieve |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |      |      |      |      |      | Rock<br>Type (b) |       |  |    |
|---|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|-----|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|-------|-------|------|------|------|------|------|------------------|-------|--|----|
|   |                                  |                           |                                       | 54"   | 48" | 36"   | 24"   | 20"   | 15"   | 12"   | 10"   | 6"     | 4"    | 3"    | 2"   | 1"   | 3/4" | 1/2" | 3/8" |                  | No. 4 |  |    |
| Lower Southwest<br>Drainage Channel           | 32.4                             | 32.4                      | 49                                    |       | 100 | 42-60 | 16-34 | 10-26 | 4-16  | 0-12  |       |        |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  | CD |
| Lower Impoundment<br>Drainage Channel         | 17.1                             | 17.1                      | 26                                    |       |     |       | 100   | 54-70 | 30-40 | 16-31 | 8-25  | 0-12   |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  | CD |
| Moab Wash Channel<br>Bank (sec. L-L' to N-N') | 9.0                              | 9.0                       | 13.5                                  |       |     |       |       |       |       | 100   | 38-64 | 12-30  | 0-18  | 0-10  |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  | CD |
| Upper Southwest<br>Drainage Channel           | 4.9                              |                           |                                       |       |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  | CD |
| Upper Impoundment<br>Drainage Channel         | 4.3                              | 4.9                       | 10                                    |       |     |       |       |       |       | 100   | 46-60 | 20-40  | 8-28  | 0-14  |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  | CD |
| Collection Ditches                            | 3.3                              |                           |                                       |       |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  |    |
| 10:3 Embankment                               | 4.1                              | 4.1                       | 8                                     |       |     |       |       |       |       |       | 100   | 34-48  | 18-32 | 2-19  | 0-3  |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  | CD |
| 10:1 Embankment                               | 2.7                              |                           |                                       |       |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  |    |
| Moab Wash<br>(Sec P-P')                       | 3.3                              |                           |                                       |       |     |       |       |       |       |       |       |        |       |       |      |      |      |      |      |                  |       |  |    |
| Northeast Debris Pit                          | 0.55                             | 1.3                       | 3                                     |       |     |       |       |       |       |       | 100   | 82-100 | 50-78 | 16-35 | 8-23 | 0-12 |      |      |      |                  |       |  | RA |

- (a) Necessary riprap D50 based on design requirements and includes oversizing for rock durability and roundness (as necessary). See Appendix E.  
 (b) Gradation requirements are based on rock durability ratings for particular material: "CD" denotes crushed diorite rock type.  
 (c) Gradation requirements are based on rock durability ratings for particular material: "RA" denotes round alluvial cobbles.

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TABLE 3

OVERLAND FLOW CALCULATIONS AND RIPRAP SIZING USING THE STEPHENSON'S METHOD FOR SLOPES 10% OR GREATER

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07:27 PM

CKD: Job 5/21/92

PROJECT: Atlas 88-067-08

LOCATION: A7 - 10.3 SLOPE ADJACENT DEBRIS PIT

(TAKEN FROM APP C - JUNE 92 REC. PLAN PAGE C-22)

OVERLAND FLOW CALCULATIONS (NUREG-4620, Methodologies for Evaluating Long-Term Stabilization Designs of Uranium Mill Tailings Impoundments, Sections 2.1.2 and 4.8)

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| INPUT PARAMETERS  |                     | CALCULATED PARAMETERS |   |
|-------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|---|
| SIDESLOPE LENGTH: | 300 FT              | DRAINAGE AREA (Aw):   | 0.006 ACRES   |
| SIDESLOPE:        | 0.3 FT/FT           | Tc (calc):            | 1.002 MIN   |
| RETURN PERIOD:    | PHP                 | REF.:                 | NRC NUREG 4620, Egn 4.45                                |
| 1-HR PPT AMOUNT:  | 8.25 INCHES         | RATIO TO 1-HR PPT:    | 0.11  |
| RUNOFF COEFF (C): | 1.00 Intro. Hydr    | RAINFALL DEPTH:       | 0.91 INCHES   |
| FLOW CONC:        | 1.00 NRC Rec. Value | INTENSITY (I):        | 54.44 INCHES/HOUR                                       |
|                   |                     | PEAK DISCHARGE (q):   | 0.374 CFS/FT  |
|                   |                     | q =                   | C <sup>2</sup> *I <sup>2</sup> /Aw FOR UNIT WIDTH ANAL. |

TABLE 2.1 NRC NUREG 4620

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| RAINFALL DURATION (MIN) | PERCENT 1 HOUR PHP | INTERPOLATED VALUE FOR Tc |
|-------------------------|--------------------|---------------------------|
| 0                       | 0                  | 11.0                      |
| 2.5                     | 27.5               |                           |
| 5                       | 45                 |                           |
| 10                      | 62                 |                           |
| 15                      | 74                 |                           |
| 20                      | 82                 |                           |
| 30                      | 89                 |                           |
| 45                      | 95                 |                           |
| 60                      | 100                |                           |

RIPRAP SIZING CALCULATIONS (NUREG-4620, Methodologies for Evaluating Long-Term Stabilization Designs of Uranium Mill Tailings Impoundments, Section 4.2.2.2)

INPUT PARAMETERS:

Acceleration of Gravity (g): 32.2 FT/SEC<sup>2</sup> Constant  
 Riprap Friction Angle (phi): 42.00 degrees  
 Riprap Relative Density (s): 2.47 MEASURED } Crushed Igneous Rock  
 Riprap Porosity (n): 0.45 ASSUMED } American Water Resources Association  
 Empirical Constant (c): 0.27 ASSUMED } (Ranges from 0.22 for gravel and pebbles to 0.27 for crushed granite)

CALCULATIONS:

Maximum Flow Rate (q): 0.375 CFS/FT From Above Calc.  
 Slope Angle (theta): 16.70 degrees Based on Sideslope

Riprap d50: 0.328 Feet NUREG 4620, Equation 4.28  
 Or d50 = 3.944 Inches



TABLE 4

## OVERLAND FLOW AND RIPRAP CALCULATIONS USING THE SAFETY FACTORS METHOD

PROJECT: Atlas 88-067-10  
 LOCATION: North East Debris Pit (only flow from 1% slope, 10:3 embank. not included)

OVERLAND FLOW CALCULATIONS (NUREG-4620, Methodologies for Evaluating Long-Term Stabilization Designs of Uranium Mill Tailings Impoundments)

| INPUT PARAMETERS               | CALCULATED PARAMETERS                                  |
|--------------------------------|--|
| RUNOFF COEF: 1                 | DRAINAGE AREA: 0.003 ACRES                             |
| SLOPE LENGTH: 150 FT           | Tc (actual): 2.18 MIN EQ 4.44, NUREG 4620              |
| AVE SLOPE: 0.01 FT/FT          | %OF 1-HR PPT: 23.94 % TABLE 2.1, NUREG 4620            |
| RETURN PERIOD: PMP YRS         | PPT AMOUNT: 1.975 INCHES                               |
| 1-HR PPT AMOUNT: 8.25 INCHES   | PPT INTENSITY: 54.46 INCHES/HOUR                       |
| FLOW CONC: 1                   | Mannings n(calc): 0.020 ANDERSONS METHOD USED IF SLOPE |
| Mannings n(assumed): 0.020 *** | CSU METHOD USED IF SLOPE > 2%                          |
|                                | PEAK DISCHARGE: 0.188 CFS Q = CiA                      |
|                                | CONC. DISCHARGE: 0.188 CFS CONC. FACTOR = 1            |
|                                | DEPTH: 0.11 FT EQTN 4.46, NUREG 4620                   |
|                                | TRACTIVE FORCE: 0.069 PSF 62.4 * depth * slope         |
|                                | FLOW VELOCITY: 1.71 FPS V = Q/FLOW AREA                |

TABLE 2.1 - NUREG 4620

Percent of 1-hr local-storm PMP for selected durations for 6-hr /1-hr ratio of 1.2 (HMR No. 4)

| RAINFALL DURATION (MIN) | PERCENT OF 1-HR PPT | INTERPOLATED PERCENT | Note: Interpolated percent based on Tc(actual) |
|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| 0                       | 0                   | 23.94                |  |
| 2.5                     | 27.5                |                      |  |
| 5                       | 45                  |                      |  |
| 10                      | 62                  |                      |  |
| 15                      | 74                  |                      |  |
| 30                      | 89                  |                      |  |
| 45                      | 95                  |                      |  |
| 60                      | 100                 |                      |  |

RIPRAP SIZING CALCULATION (NUREG CR-4651, Development of Riprap Design Criteria by Riprap Testing in Flumes: Phase I, Safety Factor Method)

| INPUT PARAMETERS:                    | CALCULATIONS:    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Spec. weight of water 62.40 pcf      | TAN(phi): 0.754  |
| Rock Specific Gravity 2.45           | cos(alpha): 1    |
| Angle of Friction(phi) 37.00 degrees | sin(alpha): 0.01 |
| Channel Slope (alpha) 0.57 degrees   | x: 0.016         |
| Safety factor: 1                     | y: 0.744         |
|                                      | D50: 0.016 feet  |
|                                      | 0.19 inches      |

## TABLE 5.

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## OVERLAND FLOW AND RIPRAP CALCULATIONS USING THE SAFETY FACTORS METHOD

PROJECT: Atlas 88-067-10  
 LOCATION: North East Debris Pit (flow from 10:3 and 1% included)

## OVERLAND FLOW CALCULATIONS (NUREG-4620, Methodologies for Evaluating Long-Term Stabilization Designs of Uranium Mill Tailings Impoundments)

| INPUT PARAMETERS               | CALCULATED PARAMETERS                                       |
|--------------------------------|---|
| RUNOFF COEF: 1                 | DRAINAGE AREA: 0.003 ACRES                                  |
| SLOPE LENGTH: 150 FT           | Tc (actual): 2.18 MIN EQ 4.44, NUREG 4620                   |
| AVE SLOPE: 0.01 FT/FT          | % OF 1-HR PPT: 23.94 % TABLE 2.1, NUREG 4620                |
| RETURN PERIOD: PMP YRS         | PPT AMOUNT: 1.975 INCHES                                    |
| 1-HR PPT AMOUNT: 8.25 INCHES   | PPT INTENSITY: 54.46 INCHES/HOUR                            |
| FLOW CONC: 1                   | Mannings n(calc): 0.022 ANDERSONS METHOD USED IF SLOPE > 2% |
| Mannings n(assumed): 0.022 *** | CSU METHOD USED IF SLOPE > 2%                               |
|                                | PEAK DISCHARGE: 0.562 CFS Q = CiA                           |
|                                | CONC. DISCHARGE: 0.562 CFS CONC. FACTOR = 1                 |
|                                | DEPTH: 0.225 FT EQTN 4.46, NUREG 4620                       |
|                                | TRACTIVE FORCE: 0.14 PSF 62.4 * depth * slope               |
|                                | FLOW VELOCITY: 2.50 FPS V = Q/FLOW AREA                     |

TABLE 2.1 - NUREG 4620

Percent of 1-hr local-storm PMP for selected durations for 6-hr /1-hr ratio of 1.2 (HMR No. 1)

| RAINFALL DURATION (MIN) | PERCENT OF 1-HR PPT | INTERPOLATED PERCENT | Note: Interpolated percent based on Tc(actual) |
|-------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--|
| 0                       | 0                   | 23.94                |  |
| 2.5                     | 27.5                |                      |  |
| 5                       | 45                  |                      |  |
| 10                      | 62                  |                      |  |
| 15                      | 74                  |                      |  |
| 30                      | 89                  |                      |  |
| 45                      | 95                  |                      |  |
| 60                      | 100                 |                      |  |

## RIPRAP SIZING CALCULATION (NUREG CR-4651, Development of Riprap Design Criteria by Riprap Testing in Flumes:Phase I, Safety Factor Method)

| INPUT PARAMETERS:                    | CALCULATIONS:    |
|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| Spec. weight of water 62.40 pcf      | TAN(phi): 0.754  |
| Rock Specific Gravity 2.45           | cos(alpha): 1    |
| Angle of Friction(phi) 37.00 degrees | sin(alpha): 0.01 |
| Channel Slope (alpha) 0.57 degrees   | x: 0.033         |
| Safety factor: 1                     | y: 0.744         |

|                                |
|--------------------------------|
| D50: 0.033 feet<br>0.40 inches |
|--------------------------------|

Table 6

## Summary of Scour Depth Calculations

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Method 1

| Section | Q, ft <sup>3</sup> /s (3) | Top Width. |       | ds, ft |
|---------|---------------------------|------------|-------|--------|
|         |                           | ft. (3)    | q, ft |        |
| L-L'    | 16129                     | 500.54     | 32.22 | 5.64   |
| M-M'    | 16129                     | 465.47     | 34.65 | 5.74   |
| N-N'    | 16129                     | 452.34     | 35.66 | 5.78   |
| P-P'    | 16129                     | 1686.56    | 9.56  | 4.21   |

Method 2a

| Section | Bend Type (4) | Z (5) | Dm, mm | f    | dm, ft | ds, ft |
|---------|---------------|-------|--------|------|--------|--------|
| L-L'    | Moderate      | 0.5   | 0.16   | 0.70 | 13.35  | 6.67   |
| M-M'    | Moderate      | 0.5   | 0.16   | 0.70 | 13.35  | 6.67   |
| N-N'    | Severe        | 0.75  | 0.16   | 0.70 | 13.35  | 10.01  |
| P-P'    | Moderate      | 0.5   | 0.16   | 0.70 | 13.35  | 6.67   |

Method 2b

| Section | Fbo, ft/s <sup>2</sup> | dfo, ft | Z (5) | ds, ft |
|---------|------------------------|---------|-------|--------|
| L-L'    | 0.8                    | 10.91   | 0.6   | 6.54   |
| M-M'    | 0.8                    | 11.45   | 0.6   | 6.87   |
| N-N'    | 0.8                    | 11.67   | 0.6   | 7.00   |
| P-P'    | 0.8                    | 4.85    | 0.6   | 2.91   |

Method 3

| Section | Bend Type | Area (3)        | Top Width(3) | dm, ft | z (5) | ds, ft |
|---------|-----------|-----------------|--------------|--------|-------|--------|
|         |           | ft <sup>2</sup> | ft           |        |       |        |
| L-L'    | Moderate  | 1385.19         | 500.54       | 2.77   | 0.50  | 1.38   |
| M-M'    | Moderate  | 1544.99         | 465.47       | 3.32   | 0.50  | 1.66   |
| N-N'    | Severe    | 1466.19         | 452.34       | 3.24   | 0.75  | 2.43   |
| P-P'    | Moderate  | 2361.89         | 1686.56      | 1.40   | 0.50  | 0.70   |

Method 4

| Section | Q, ft <sup>3</sup> /s | Area (3)        | Vm, ft/s | Vc, ft/s | dm, ft | ds, ft |
|---------|-----------------------|-----------------|----------|----------|--------|--------|
|         |                       | ft <sup>2</sup> |          |          |        |        |
| L-L'    | 16129                 | 1385.19         | 11.64    | 2        | 2.77   | 13.34  |
| M-M'    | 16129                 | 1544.99         | 10.44    | 2        | 3.32   | 14.01  |
| N-N'    | 16129                 | 1466.19         | 11.00    | 2        | 3.24   | 14.59  |
| P-P'    | 16129                 | 2361.89         | 6.83     | 2        | 1.40   | 3.38   |

Summary of Methods - Scour Depths, ft

| Section | Method 1 | Method 2a | Method 2b | Method 3 | Method 4 | Average      |
|---------|----------|-----------|-----------|----------|----------|--------------|
|         |          |           |           |          |          | Scour Depth, |
|         |          |           |           |          |          | ft           |
| L-L'    | 5.64     | 6.67      | 6.54      | 1.38     | 13.34    | 6.72         |
| M-M'    | 5.74     | 6.67      | 6.87      | 1.66     | 14.01    | 6.99         |
| N-N'    | 5.78     | 10.01     | 7.00      | 2.43     | 14.59    | 7.96         |
| P-P'    | 4.21     | 6.67      | 2.91      | 0.70     | 3.38     | 3.58         |

Table 6

Summary of Scour Depth Calculations

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Notes:

- 1) Scour Depth based on Moab Wash HEC-2 Supercritical run where velocities are greatest.
- 2) See main text for description of methods and equations.
- 3) From HEC-2 Supercritical Run (See Attachment B)
- 4) Bend types conservatively assumed.
- 5) From Table 7 in Attachment C.

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Summary of Moab Wash Channel Bank Riprap Invert and Top Elevations

Table 7a

| Moab Wash Channel Section | Invert Elevation of Channel(1)<br>ft. msl. | Scour Depth(2)<br>ft. | PMF Water Surface Elev. (1)<br>ft. | Riprap Invert Elevation(3)<br>ft. msl. | Top of Riprap Elevation(4)<br>ft. msl. |
|---------------------------|--|-----------------------|------------------------------------|--|--|
| L-L                       | 3987.3                                     | 6.72                  | 3992.4                             | 3980.6                                 | 3993.4                                 |
| M-M'                      | 3981.5                                     | 6.89                  | 3986.5                             | 3974.5                                 | 3987.5                                 |
| N-N'                      | 3974.1                                     | 7.96                  | 3979.4                             | 3966.1                                 | 3980.4                                 |
| P-P'                      | 3965.3                                     | 3.58                  | 3969.7                             | 3961.7                                 | 3970.7                                 |

- Notes:
- 1) See Figure 2 for Invert and PMF Surface Water Elevations. (Subcritical depth used, and is conservative)
  - 2) Scour Depth computed based on supercritical velocities, see Table 6
  - 3) Equivalent to Depth of Scour (Inner channel main scour depth)
  - 4) PMF Water Elev. + 1' Free Board

Table 7b

Summary of Moab Wash Channel Bank and Northeast Debris Pit Erosion Protection Design

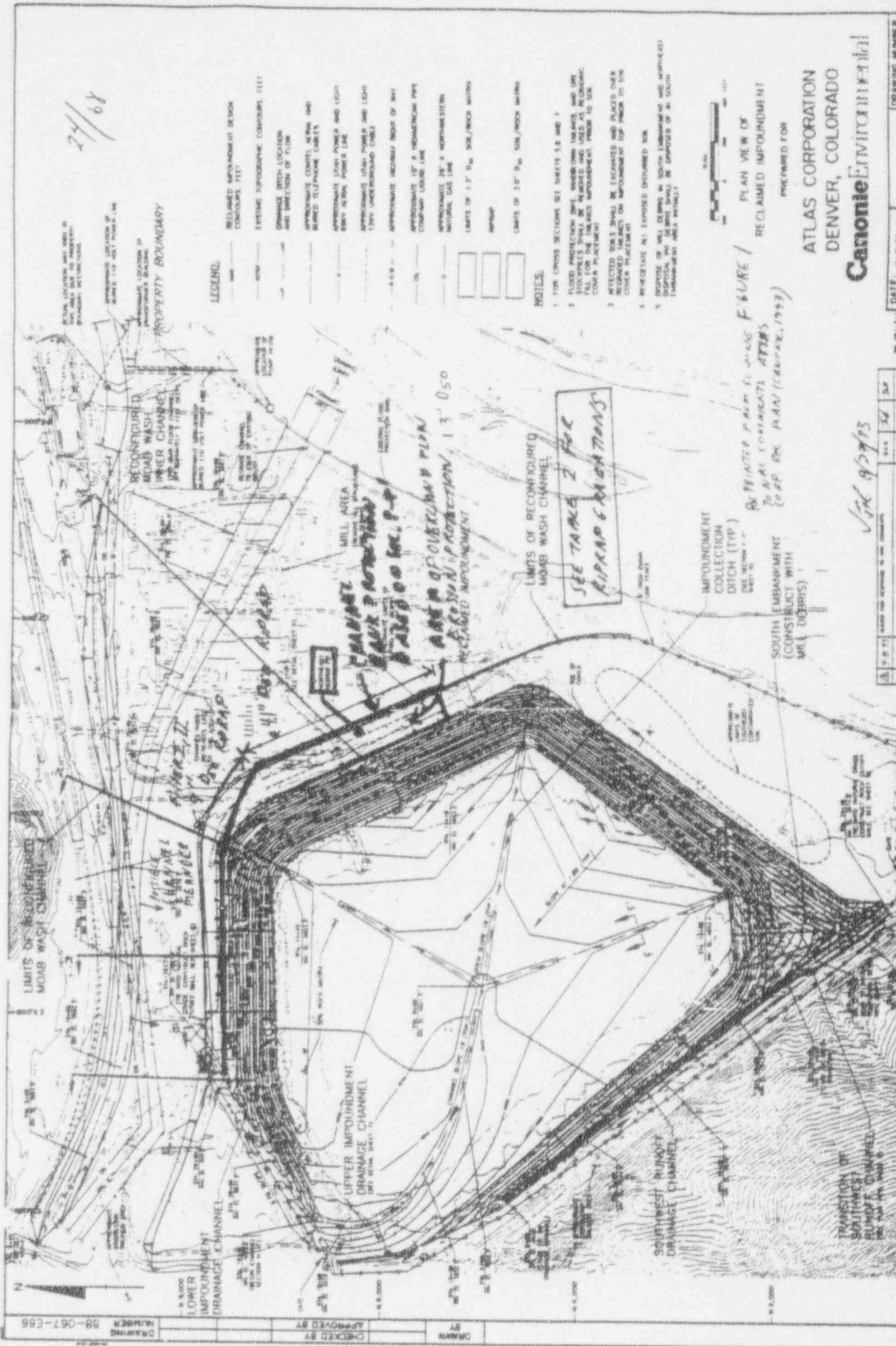
| Type of Erosion Protection | Location of Erosion Protection | Riprap Width(2)<br>ft. | Riprap Length (3)<br>ft. | Mean Grain Size Diameter of D50, in (4) | Riprap Thickness(5)<br>in. | Required Riprap Volume<br>CY | Required Filter Material Volume(6)<br>CY | Required Filter II Material Volume(6)<br>CY |
|----------------------------|--------------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---|----------------------------|------------------------------|--|---|
| Channel Bank               | From L-L' to M-M'              | 50.6                   | 600                      | 9                                       | 13.50                      | 1265.4                       | 582.4                                    | 582.4                                       |
| Channel Bank               | From M-M' to N-N'              | 51.2                   | 570                      | 9                                       | 13.50                      | 1216.2                       | 540.5                                    | 540.5                                       |
| Channel Bank               | 300 ft. past N-N'              | 55.6                   | 300                      | 9                                       | 13.50                      | 695.3                        | 309.0                                    | 309.0                                       |
| Channel Bank               | To end of Debris Pit           | 31.9                   | 1000                     | 4.1                                     | 6.00                       | 590.7                        | 580.7                                    | NR  |
| Overland Flow              | Over Northeast Debris Pit      | 150                    | 1000                     | 1.3                                     | 6                          | 2777.8                       | NR                                       | NR  |

- Notes:
- 1) See Table 6 for Scour Depth Calculations
  - 2) Riprap width includes 6 ft. along impoundment toe and 3.5 ft. at Northeast debris pit
  - 3) Riprap Length Determined from Figure 1
  - 4) See Table 2 for Gradation Requirements for Riprap
  - 5) Riprap layer Thickness =  $1.5 \times D50 > 8"$  and =  $2 \times D50 < 8"$  and minimum of 6" when  $D50 < 3"$  (NRC, Final STP, 1990)
  - 6) When required, Filter Material Volume Calculation based on 6" filter layer.
  - 7) NR denotes not required.

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**LEGEND**

- RECLAIMED IMPROVEMENT DESIGN CONTOURS, FEET
- EXISTING TOPOGRAPHIC CONTOURS, FEET
- DRAINAGE DITCH LOCATION AND DIRECTION OF FLOW
- APPROXIMATE CENTER, MILL AND ARMED TELEPHONE CABLES
- APPROXIMATE CENTER POWER AND LIGHT
- APPROXIMATE CENTER POWER AND LIGHT 150V. UNDERGROUND CABLE
- APPROXIMATE PROPERTY BOUNDARY
- APPROXIMATE 10' x HOUSING UNIT COMPANY LOT/BLK LINE
- APPROXIMATE 10' x HOUSING UNIT LOT/BLK LINE
- APPROXIMATE 1.7' x 0.5' x 0.5' x 0.5' WALKWAY
- APPROXIMATE 10' x 0.5' x 0.5' x 0.5' WALKWAY

**NOTES**

1. THE CROSS SECTIONS SEE SHEETS 5.0 AND 7.0
2. FLOOD PROTECTION WALL, SORELOAM, 10' HIGH, AND 2' THICK SHALL BE RECONSTRUCTED AND USED AS RECLAIMED MOB WASH CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT, FROM 10' TO 50'
3. RECLAIMED MOB WASH CHANNEL SHALL BE LOCATED AND PLACED OVER RECLAIMED MOB WASH CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT FOR FROM 10' TO 50'
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PLAN VIEW OF RECLAIMED IMPROVEMENT

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LIMITS OF RECONFIGURED MOB WASH CHANNEL  
SEE TABLE 2 FOR RIPRAP CALCULATIONS

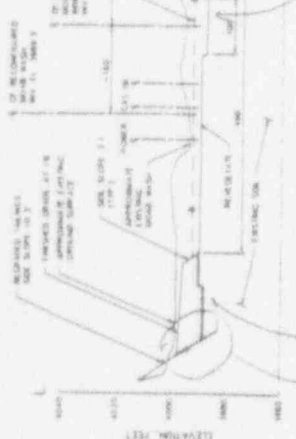
IMPROVEMENT COLLECTION DITCH (TYP) SEE SECTION 4.0

SOUTH EMBANKMENT (CONSTRUCT WITH MILL DEBRIS)

RECLAIMED MOB WASH CHANNEL IMPROVEMENT FROM 10' TO 50'

TOWNSHIP OF SOUTHWEST RUNDY CHANNEL

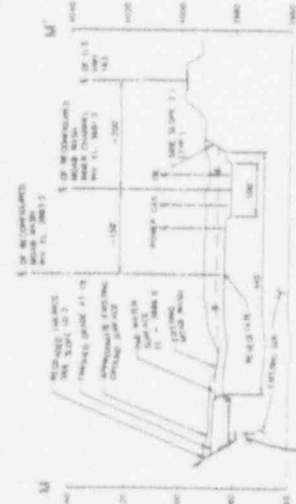
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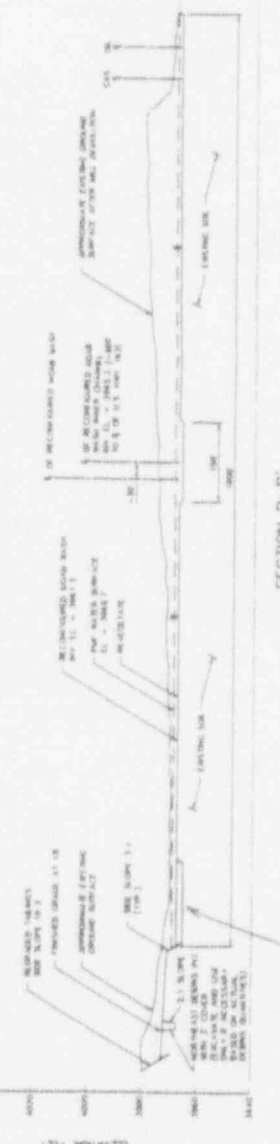
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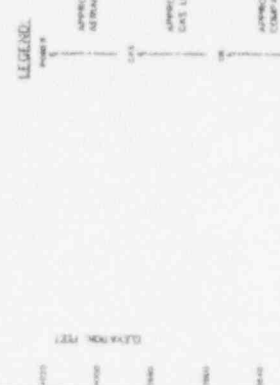
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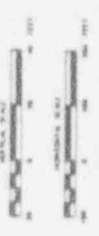
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SECTION P-P  
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 1. SEE MAP LOCATION OF SECTIONS  
 2. SEE SHEET 4

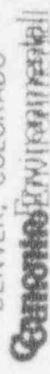


DEPTH OF TIE-UP AND IMPACT OF  
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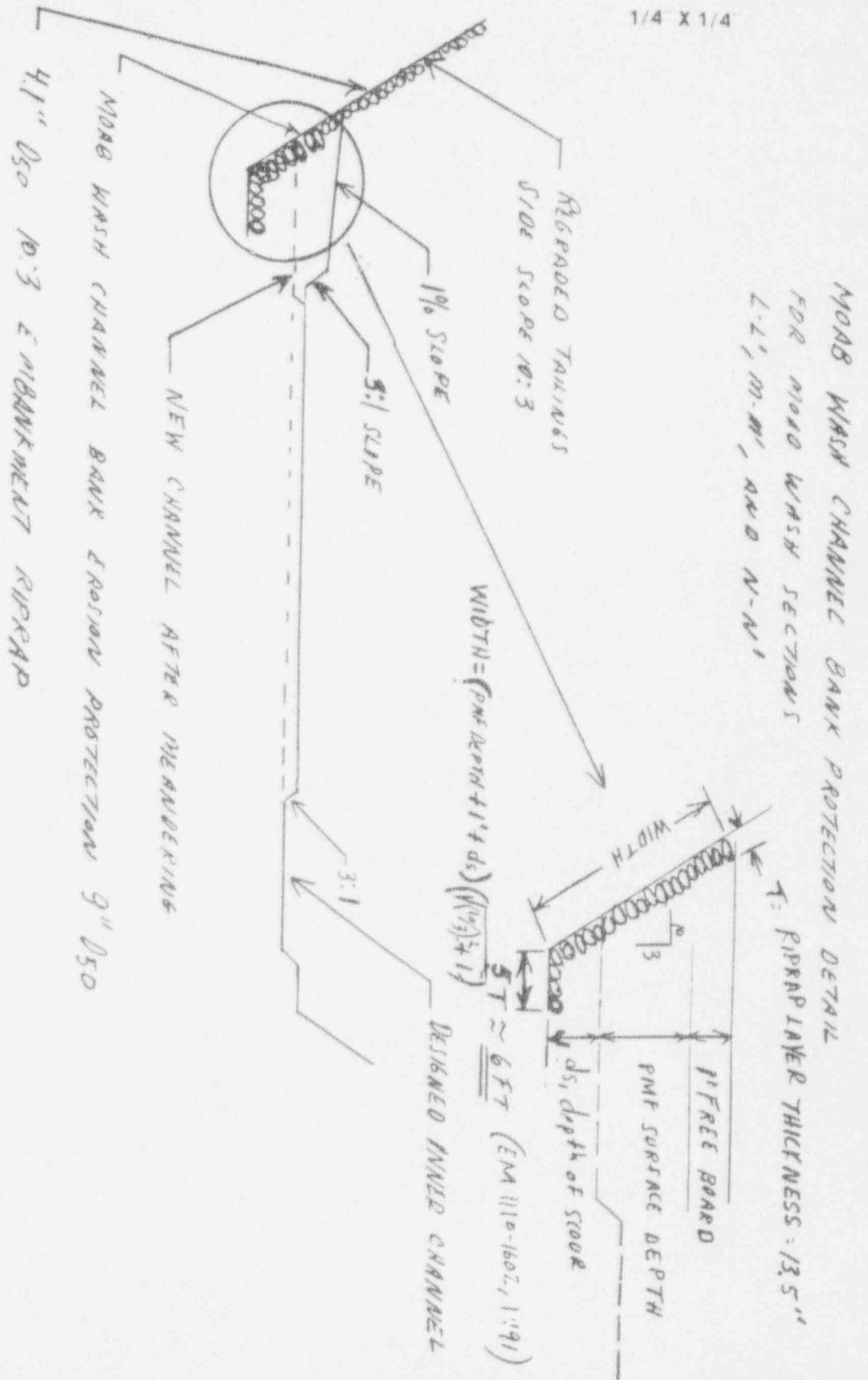
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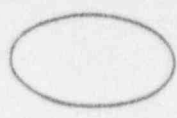




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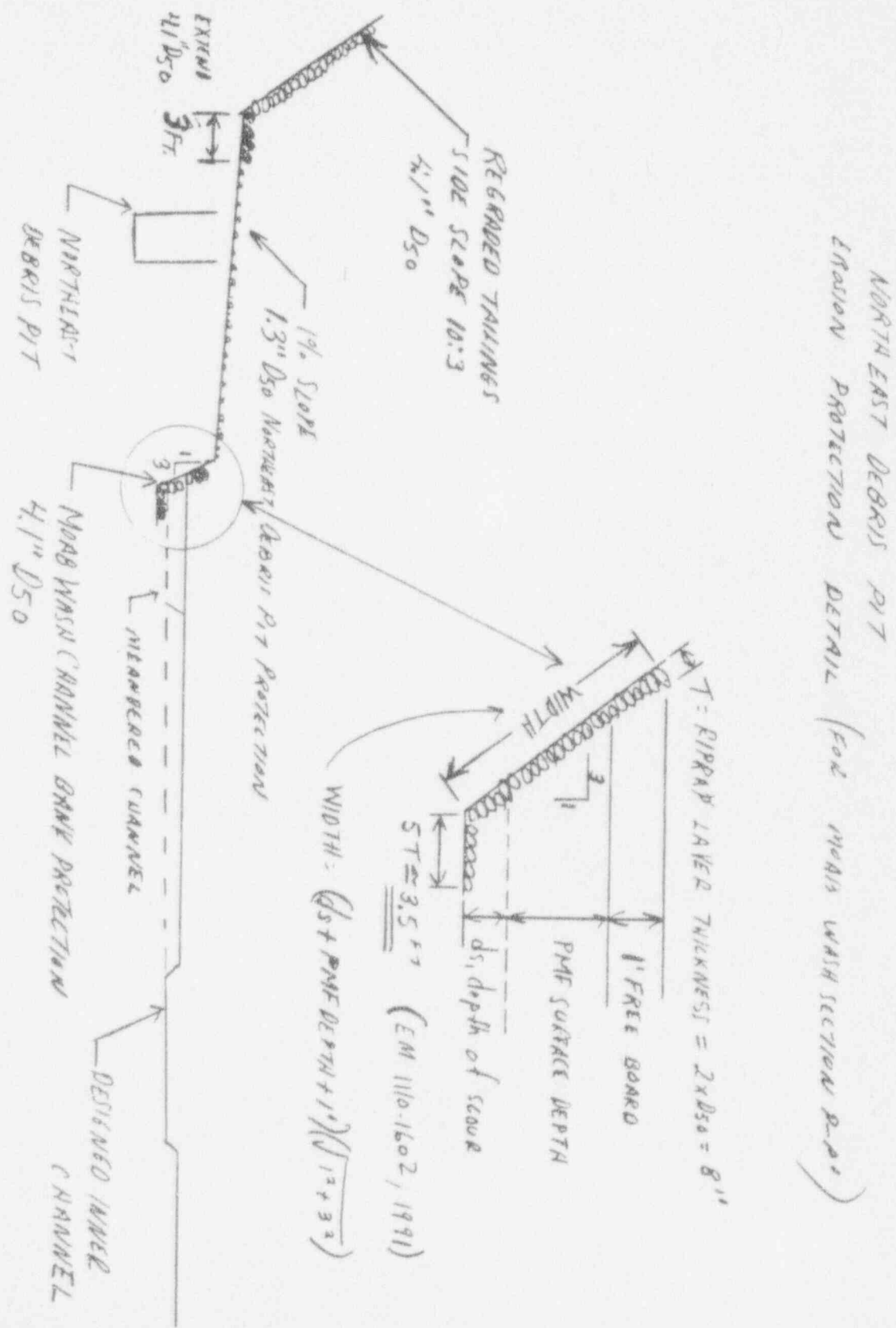


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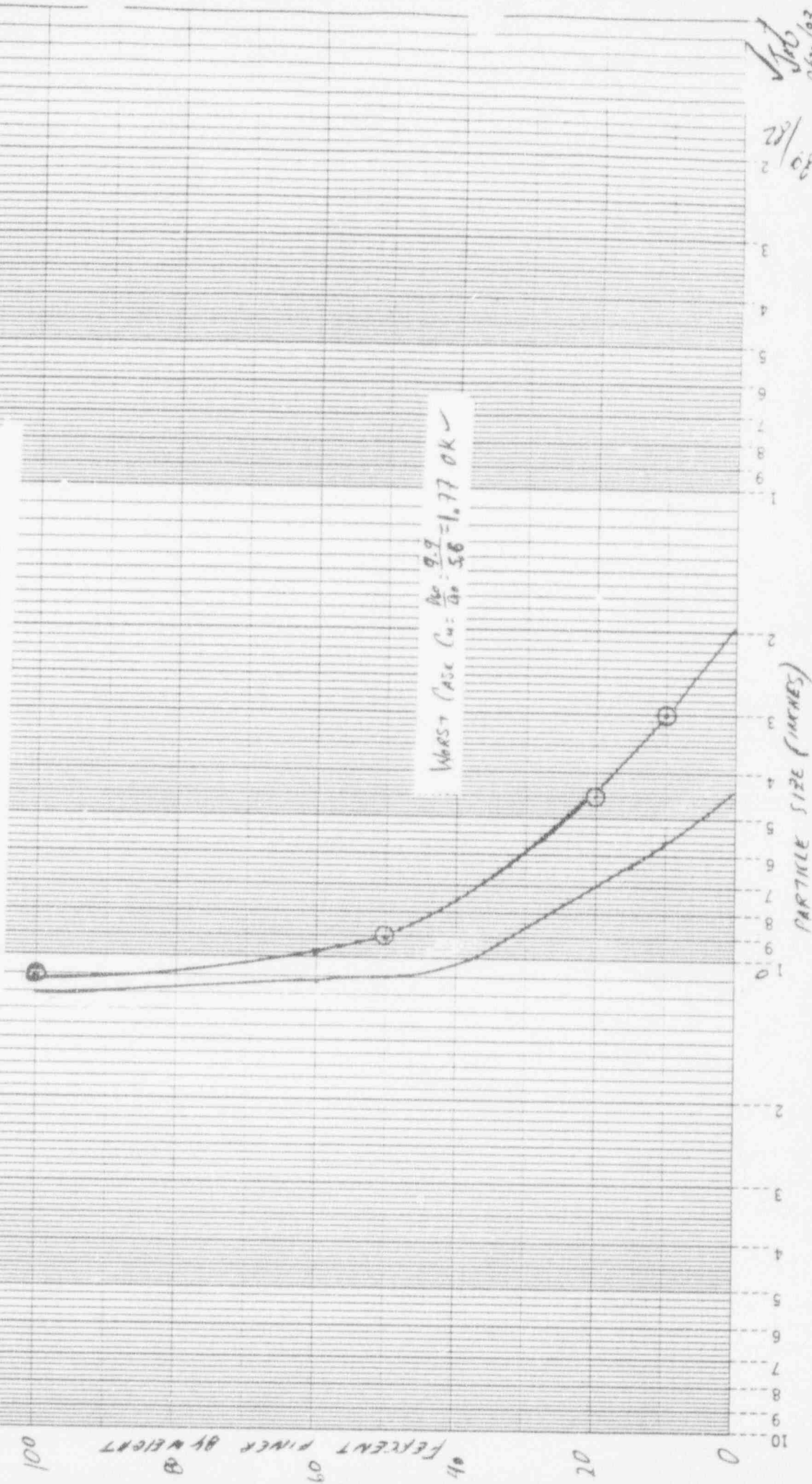
FIGURE 5. RIPRAP GRADATION ENVELOPE FOR MOUNDWASH CHANNEL BANK PROTECTION.

FIGURE 5

USE ALONG BASE OF  
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FROM SECT-L-1 TO 300'  
PAST REC. N-N'

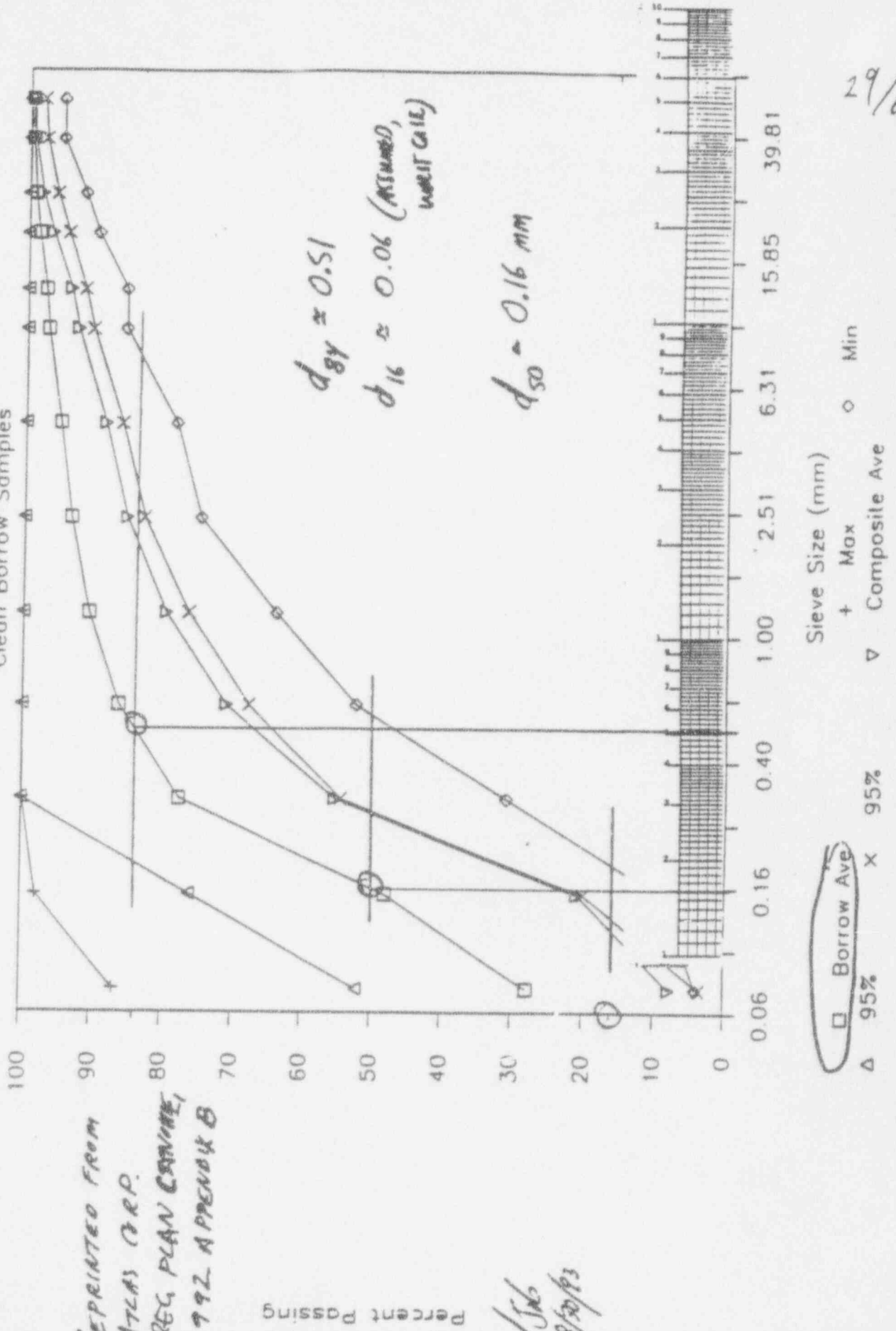
9" D50 RIPRAP  
GRADATION

WORST CASE  $C_u = \frac{D_{60}}{D_{10}} = \frac{9.9}{5.6} = 1.77$  OK ✓



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Figure 6  
GRAIN SIZE DISTRIBUTION OF  
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the interaction of the local boundary shear and the size and gradation of the riprap material.

(2) Average boundary shear. The average boundary shear over the wetted perimeter of a channel cross section (from ref 3) is given by

$$\bar{\tau}_o = \gamma RS \quad (30)$$

where

$\bar{\tau}_o$  = average boundary shear, psf

$\gamma$  = unit weight of water, pcf

$R$  = hydraulic radius, ft

$S$  = slope of energy gradient

By utilizing equations 1 and 6, equation 30 becomes

$$\bar{\tau}_o = \frac{\gamma V^2}{\left(32.6 \log_{10} \frac{12.2R}{k}\right)^2} \quad (31)$$

where

$V$  = average cross-sectional velocity, fps

$k$  = equivalent channel boundary surface roughness, ft

(3) Local boundary shear. In a straight trapezoidal channel with equal bottom and side roughness, the boundary shear varies over the wetted perimeter as shown in plate 31. By substituting in equation 31 the depth  $Y$  (in feet) for  $R$ , the average local velocity in the vertical  $\bar{v}$  (in feet per second) for  $V$ , and the average stone theoretical diameter  $D_{50}$  (in feet) for  $k$ , the local boundary shear at any point on the wetted perimeter can be determined by the equation

$$\tau_o = \frac{\gamma \bar{v}^2}{\left(32.6 \log_{10} \frac{12.2Y}{D_{50}}\right)^2} \quad (32)$$

The average local velocity in the vertical at any point should be determined as illustrated in Appendix IV. The subsection width used to determine  $\bar{v}$  should not be too great. Where there is a significant difference in roughness over the wetted perimeter, as may occur in a channel with riprap bank revetment and a natural invert, a local effective friction coefficient as determined from Hydraulic Design Chart 631-4 or Appendix IV should be used in computing values of  $\bar{v}$ . A graphic solution of equation 32 is presented in plate 32.

(4) Boundary shear in bends. The distribution of local boundary shear in a bend of a trapezoidal channel with equal bottom and side roughness is indicated in plates 33 and 34 (compiled from data in refs 53, 54, and 55).

\* Average boundary shear values obtained by equation 31 should be multiplied by the indicated ratios of  $\tau_b/\bar{\tau}_0$  to obtain local boundary shear values in a bend. \*

(5) Riprap design shear. The riprap design shear is defined as that amount of local boundary shear that the in-place riprap will safely withstand. The design shear for riprap placed on an essentially level channel bottom is given by reference 56.

$$\tau = a (\gamma_s - \gamma) D_{50} \quad (33)$$

where

$\gamma_s$  = the unit weight of stone saturated surface dry (SSD)  
 coefficient "a" = 0.040

The design shear for riprap placed on channel side slopes is given by the following equation taken from reference 3

$$\tau' = \tau \left( 1 - \frac{\sin^2 \phi}{\sin^2 \theta} \right)^{0.5} \quad (34)$$

where

$\phi$  = the angle of the side slope with the horizontal

$\theta$  = the angle of repose of the riprap, normally about 40 deg





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(2) Trench-fill revetments: riprap placed at low water level

(3) Weighted riprap toes: riprap placed at intersection of channel bottom and side slope

Trench-fill revetments on the Mississippi River have successfully launched to protect for a vertical scour depth of up to 50 ft. On gravel bed streams, the use of launchable stone is not as widely accepted as in sand bed streams. Problems with using launchable stone in some gravel bed rivers may be the result of underestimating stone size, scour depth, or launchable stone volume because the concept of launchable stone has been successful on several gravel bed rivers.

### 3-11. Revetment Toe Protection Design

The following guidance applies to several alternative methods of toe protection illustrated in Plate 43.

*a. Method A.* When toe excavation can be made in the dry, the riprap layer may be extended below the existing groundline a distance exceeding the anticipated depth of scour. If excavation quantities are prohibitive, the concept of Method D can be adapted to reduce excavation.

*b. Method B.* When the bottom of the channel is nonerodible material, the normal riprap should be keyed in at streambed level.

*c. Method C.* When the riprap is to be placed underwater and little toe scour is expected (such as in straight reaches that are not downstream of bends, unless stream is braided), the toe may be placed on the existing bottom with height  $a$  and width  $c$  equal to  $1.5T$  and  $5T$ , respectively. This compensates for uncertainties of underwater placement.

*d. Method D.* An extremely useful technique where water levels prohibit excavation for a toe section is to place a launchable section at the toe of the bank. Even if excavation is practicable, this method may be preferred for cost savings if the cost of extra stone required to produce a launched thickness equal to or greater than  $1.5T$  is exceeded by the cost of excavation required to carry the design thickness  $T$  down the slope. This concept simply uses toe scour as a substitute for mechanical excavation. This method also has the advantage of providing a "built-in" scour gage, allowing easy monitoring of high-flow scour and the need for additional stone reinforcement by visual inspection of the remaining toe

stone after the high flow subsides or by surveyed cross sections if the toe stone is underwater. It is readily adaptable to emergency protection, where high flow and the requirement for quick action make excavation impractical. Shape of the stone toe is not critical. For trench fill revetments, the height of the stone section is generally one-half to one times the length. For weighted riprap toes, heights as low as 2 times the bank protection thickness have been used. Providing an adequate volume of stone is critical. To compute the required launchable stone volume for Method D, the following assumptions should be used:

(1) Launch slope = 1V on 2H. This is the slope resulting from rock launched on noncohesive material in both model and prototype surveys. Launch slope is less predictable if cohesive material is present, since cohesive material may fail in large blocks.

(2) Scour depth = existing elevation - maximum scour elevation.

(3) Thickness after launching = 1.5 times the thickness of the bank revetment  $T$ .

Using these assumptions, the volume =  $1.5T$  times launch slope length

$$= 1.5T \text{ times scour depth times } \sqrt{5}$$

$$= 3.35T \text{ (scour depth)}$$

Add a safety factor if data to compute scour depth are unreliable, if cohesive bank material is present, or if monitoring and maintenance after construction cannot be guaranteed. Guidance for a safety factor is lacking, so to some extent it must be determined by considering consequences of failure.

### 3-12. Delivery and Placement

Delivery and placement can affect riprap design. See EM 1110-2-2302 for detailed guidance. The common methods of riprap placement are hand placing; machine placing, such as from a skip, dragline, or some form of bucket; and dumping from trucks and spreading by bulldozer. Hand placement produces the most stable riprap revetment because the long axis of the riprap particles are oriented perpendicular to the bank. It is the most expensive method except when stone is unusually costly and/or labor unusually cheap. Steeper side slopes can be used with hand-placed riprap than with other placing methods. This reduces the required volume of rock. However, the

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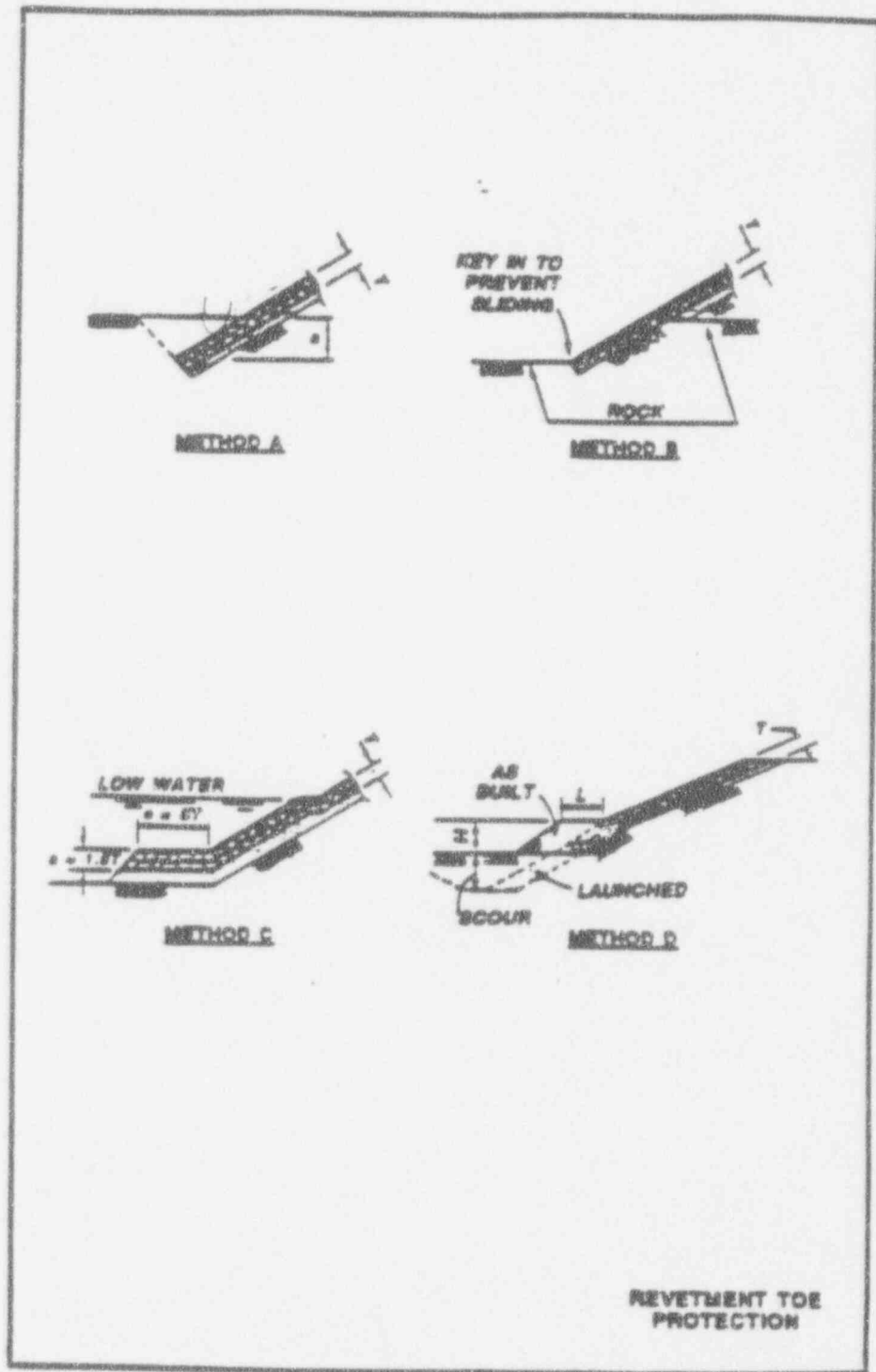


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# Erosion Protection of Uranium Tailings Impoundments

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cannot satisfy these criteria, two or more filter layers may be necessary. The finer filter overlies the top layer of the radon suppression cover and the coarser filter lies between the finer filter and the riprap.

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The grain-size curve of the filter material should have a smooth s-shape without pronounced breaks and should be roughly parallel to the grain-size curve of the soil being protected, although other smooth shapes may be used.

Thickness of Filter. The filter layer should have a minimum thickness of 12 in. and be at least equal to one-half the riprap layer thickness. Where two filter layers are required, the finer filter layer should have a minimum thickness of 12 in. and be at least equal to one-half the coarser filter layer thickness.

The use of these layer thicknesses assumes that the underlying radon suppression cover is structurally stable and capable of supporting the loads imposed by the construction equipment and the filter and riprap layers. If this is not the case, larger filter layer thicknesses may be needed to support construction equipment or the riprap. Larger filter layer thicknesses may also account for larger differential settlements caused by consolidation of the underlying materials. The greater layer thickness should be determined in the field based on the actual condition of the radon suppression cover.

Toe Protection

A riprap toe protection is required at the base of all impoundment side slopes. In general, the toe protection can be one of two types as shown in Figure 10.

For Method A, the riprap layer constructed on the slope may extend below grade to a depth of 1.5 times the estimated depth of scour at the impoundment perimeter. The angle of the below-grade protection may be steeper than the relatively flat slope angle, if the stability of the impoundment after scour is adequate. The sizing of the riprap is based on the actual slope used, assuming that the full design-estimated depth of scour has occurred.

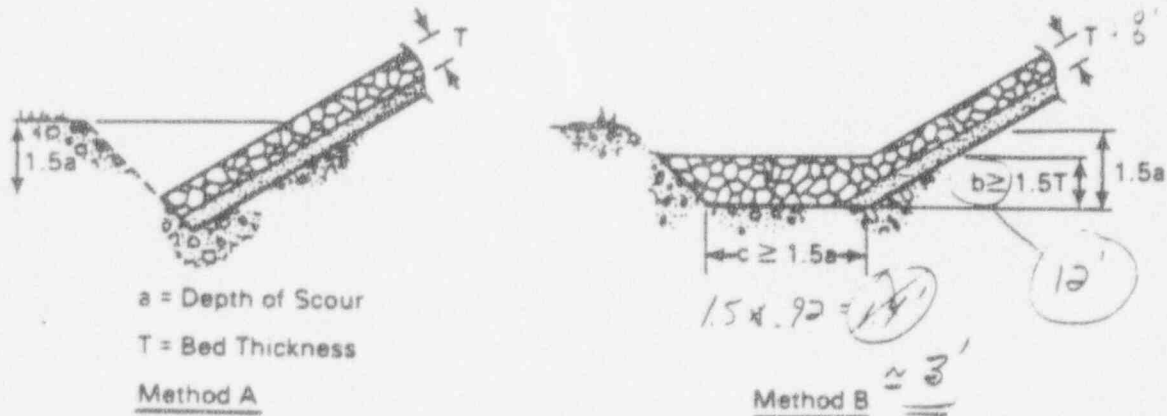


FIGURE 10. Toe Protection Methods

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A second approach, Method B, includes a horizontal riprap toe. The width of the horizontal protection should be at least equal to the estimated depth of scour times 1.5. The thickness of the layer should be at least 1.5 times the thickness of the riprap on the slope.

### Gully Erosion Protection

The remaining unprotected side slope surfaces above maximum flood elevation require protection from gully erosion. These surface areas are the most vulnerable to gully erosion because of their steepness. ~~Gullies~~ ~~are~~ ~~initiated,~~ ~~the~~ ~~process~~ ~~can~~ ~~proceed~~ ~~rapidly~~ (one year or several years) toward a breach in the impoundment. Each impoundment will require some minimum thickness of rock riprap completely covering the side slopes for the purpose of preventing gully erosion. This will be the case irregardless of whether flooding is a consideration. Because of the threat of this potentially destructive process, the application of rock riprap is recommended for the long-term protection of the side slopes. However, the problem is complicated by other factors.

Gullies that form from land surface depressions and rills can actively be prevented by rock riprap applied to the side slopes of impoundments since they are the direct result of overland flow. Gullies caused by differential settlement, slope failure, and piping cannot always be prevented by rock riprap because they are not the direct result of rainfall-runoff. However, in these situations, the presence of an engineered rock cover could mitigate the effects of these processes by self-adjustment of the rock cover itself. This would help prevent further erosion by surface runoff by the shifting of individual rocks to accommodate the new surface configuration. Although rock armor may prevent further damage caused by differential settlement, slope failure, and piping, it is best that preventive measures for these types of failures be considered in the design of the embankment foundation and earthen cover.

### Design Suggestions for Gully Erosion Protection

A study by Walters and Skaggs (1986) determined that there are no procedures available to design rock riprap to protect against overland and gully erosion. The study results indicated that movement of runoff over a soil cover armored by rock may involve both interflow through the rock layer and filter and cascading flow over the rock surface. Not enough information is available at this time to indicate whether the movement of the runoff through the rock layer can be described by the equations of porous media flow. The interstitial voids in the rock layer can be extremely large and would allow runoff to move through rapidly.

The lack of information on the hydraulic roughness (Manning's  $n$ ) for flow over the rock surface poses another problem. The results of field and laboratory testing are very limited for unprotected soil surfaces and nonexistent for rock surfaces. Therefore, the inability to predict the flow characteristics over and through the rock layer would limit any analysis to very rough assumptions.

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| R | 3988.  | 0.    | 3976.3 | 35.   | 3976.3 | 95.5  | 3974.6 | 100    | 3974.6 | 200.  | 0. |
| R | 3976.3 | 204.5 | 3976.3 | 470.  | 3981.0 | 484.  | 3983.  | 670.   |        |       |    |
| R | 3.     | 9.    | 67.    | 1093. | 600.   | 500.  | 525.   | 0.     | 0.     | 0.    | 0. |
| R | 3994.  | 0.    | 3971.7 | 67.   | 3971.7 | 515.5 | 3970.  | 520.   | 3970.  | 620.  | 0. |
| R | 3971.7 | 625.  | 3971.7 | 1093. | 3976.  | 1100. | 3978.  | 1335.  |        |       |    |
| R | 2.     | 8.    | 6.     | 1686. | 540.   | 600.  | 520.   | 0.     | 0.     | 0.    | 0. |
| R | 3970.  | 0.0   | 3968.  | 6.    | 3968.  | 730.  | 3967.  | 733.   | 3967.  | 883.  | 0. |
| R | 68.    | 886.  | 3968.  | 1686. | 3971.  | 1692. |        |        |        |       |    |

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|   |        |       |        |       |        |       |        |       |        |       |
|---|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|--------|-------|
| 1 | 1.     | 8.    | 6.     | 2180. | 345.   | 860.  | 435.   | 0.    | 0.     | 0.    |
| 2 | 3968.  | 0.    | 3966.  | 6.    | 3966.  | 800.  | 3964.  | 806.  | 3964.  | 1871. |
| 3 | 3966.  | 1877. | 3966.  | 2180. | 3968.  | 2186. |        |       |        |       |
| 1 | 0.     | 8.    | 6.     | 2953. | 0.     | 0.    | 0.     | 0.    | 0.     | 0.    |
| 2 | 3965.4 | 0.    | 3963.4 | 6.    | 3963.4 | 1000. | 3961.4 | 1006. | 3961.4 | 1228. |
| 3 | 3963.4 | 1226. | 3963.4 | 2953. | 3965.4 | 2958. |        |       |        |       |

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| SECD  | DEPTH | CHSEL | CRIMS | WSELK  | EG   | HV    | HL    | OLCSS  | L-BANK ELEV |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|--------|-------------|
| 0     | OLDB  | QCH   | OROB  | ALOB   | ACH  | AROB  | VOL   | TWA    | R-BANK ELEV |
| TIME  | VLOB  | VCH   | VROB  | XNL    | XNCH | XNR   | WTH   | ELMIN  | SSTA        |
| SLOPE | XLOBL | XV    | XLOBR | ITRIAL | IDC  | ICONT | CORAR | TOPWID | ENDST       |

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CND Jm 6/3/92

\*PROF 1

\*SECD 8.000  
280 CROSS SECTION 8.00 EXTENDED 2.28 FEET

720 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

|         |      |         |         |         |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|---------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 8.000   | 4.28 | 4005.28 | 4005.28 | 4005.30 | 4007.84 | 1.56 | .00  | .00     | 4003.50 |
| 16129.0 | 21.2 | 16035.2 | 72.6    | 4.3     | 1596.5  | 12.6 | .0   | .0      | 4003.50 |
| .00     | 4.94 | 10.04   | 5.74    | .030    | .030    | .030 | .000 | 4002.00 | .00     |
| .009185 | 0.   | 0.      | 0.      | 0       | 4       | 0    | .00  | 529.11  | 529.11  |

\*SECD 7.000

.645 INT SEC ADDED BY RAISING SEC 7.00, 5.25 FT AND MULTIPLYING BY 1.005

.301 HV CHANGED MORE THAN HVINS

.302 WARNING: CONVEYANCE CHANGE OUTSIDE OF ACCEPTABLE RANGE. KRATIO = 1.57

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 1.010   | 3.56 | 4003.81 | 4004.54 | .00  | 4005.49 | 2.68 | 1.35 | .00     | 4001.75 |
| 16129.0 | 51.8 | 16030.9 | 46.3    | 7.0  | 1217.7  | 6.3  | 3.2  | 1.2     | 4001.75 |
| .00     | 7.35 | 13.17   | 7.31    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 4000.25 | 8.21    |
| .022574 | 98.  | 99.     | 106.    | 7    | 5       | 0    | .00  | 530.12  | 538.32  |

.645 INT SEC ADDED BY RAISING SEC 1.01, -1.750 FT AND MULTIPLYING BY .998

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 1.020   | 3.74 | 4002.24 | 4002.78 | .00  | 4004.54 | 2.29 | 1.95 | .00     | 4000.00 |
| 16129.0 | 57.7 | 16019.8 | 51.5    | 8.4  | 1315.0  | 7.6  | 6.1  | 2.4     | 4000.00 |
| .00     | 6.85 | 12.18   | 6.81    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3998.50 | 7.55    |
| .017408 | 98.  | 99.     | 105.    | 4    | 11      | 0    | .00  | 530.46  | 538.01  |

.645 INT SEC ADDED BY RAISING SEC 1.02, -1.750 FT AND MULTIPLYING BY .998

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 1.030   | 3.73 | 4000.48 | 4001.06 | .00  | 4002.80 | 2.32 | 1.73 | .00     | 3998.25 |
| 16129.0 | 57.4 | 16020.4 | 51.3    | 8.3  | 1307.8  | 7.5  | 9.1  | 3.6     | 3998.25 |
| .01     | 6.85 | 12.25   | 6.85    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3996.75 | 7.57    |
| .017693 | 98.  | 99.     | 106.    | 2    | 8       | 0    | .00  | 529.52  | 537.09  |

| SECD  | DEPTH | DMSEL | CRIMS | WSELK  | EG   | HW    | HL    | DLOSS  | L-BANK ELEV |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|--------|-------------|
| 0     | QLOB  | QCH   | QROB  | ALOB   | ACH  | AROB  | VOL   | TMA    | R-BANK ELEV |
| TIME  | VLOB  | VCH   | VROB  | XNL    | XNCH | XNR   | WTN   | ELMIN  | SSTA        |
| SLOPE | XLOBL | XLCH  | XLOBR | ITRIAL | IDC  | ICONT | CORAR | TOPWID | ENDST       |

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1645 INT SEC ADDED BY RAISING SEC 1.03, -1.750 FT AND MULTIPLYING BY .998

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 7.000   | 3.72 | 3998.72 | 3999.31 | .00  | 4001.05 | 2.33 | 1.75 | .00     | 3996.50 |
| 16129.0 | 57.3 | 16020.4 | 51.3    | 8.3  | 1305.3  | 7.5  | 12.1 | 4.8     | 3996.50 |
| .01     | 6.90 | 12.27   | 6.85    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3995.00 | 7.56    |
| .017763 | 98.  | 99.     | 105.    | 0    | 8       | 0    | .00  | 528.64  | 536.28  |

\*SECND 6.000 - L

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 6.000   | 3.99 | 3991.99 | 3992.00 | .00  | 3994.11 | 2.12 | 6.94 | .00     | 3989.50 |
| 16129.0 | 64.7 | 16001.3 | 63.0    | 9.8  | 1365.8  | 9.6  | 25.8 | 10.0    | 3989.50 |
| .02     | 6.60 | 11.72   | 6.58    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3988.00 | 22.13   |
| .014085 | 430. | 440.    | 490.    | 5    | 11      | 0    | .00  | 500.54  | 522.67  |

\*SECND 5.000 - M

20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED WSEL.DMSEL

PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

3720 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 5.000   | 4.70 | 3986.50 | 3986.50 | .00  | 3988.20 | 1.71 | 6.79 | .03     | 3983.50 |
| 16129.0 | 79.3 | 15970.3 | 79.3    | 13.5 | 1518.1  | 13.5 | 46.5 | 16.9    | 3983.50 |
| .04     | 5.89 | 10.52   | 10.87   | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3981.00 | 13.51   |
| .000665 | 600. | 615.    | 750.    | 20   | 11      | 0    | .00  | 465.47  | 478.99  |

\*SECND 4.000 - N

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 4.000   | 4.61 | 3979.21 | 3979.37 | .00  | 3981.10 | 1.90 | 7.10 | .00     | 3976.30 |
| 16129.0 | 78.0 | 15973.4 | 77.6    | 12.6 | 1441.0  | 12.6 | 72.4 | 24.7    | 3976.30 |
| .05     | 6.18 | 11.00   | 6.18    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3974.60 | 26.31   |
| .010160 | 800. | 750.    | 530.    | 3    | 5       | 0    | .00  | 452.34  | 478.65  |

\*SECND 3.000

1645 INT SEC ADDED BY RAISING SEC 3.00, 2.300 FT AND MULTIPLYING BY .867

3302 WARNING: CONVEYANCE CHANGE OUTSIDE OF ACCEPTABLE RANGE, KRATIO = 1.40

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 1.010   | 3.30 | 3975.60 | 3975.97 | .00  | 3977.22 | 1.62 | 3.88 | .00     | 3974.00 |
| 16129.0 | 19.1 | 16100.5 | 9.4     | 3.3  | 1573.8  | 1.8  | 82.2 | 29.1    | 3974.00 |
| .06     | 5.75 | 10.23   | 5.26    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3972.30 | 53.95   |
| .019961 | 425. | 280.    | 175.    | 4    | 15      | 0    | .00  | 896.18  | 950.13  |

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| SECD  | DEPTH | OWSEL | ORWS  | WSELK  | EG   | HW    | HL    | OLDSS  | L-BANK ELEV |
|-------|-------|-------|-------|--------|------|-------|-------|--------|-------------|
| Q     | OLOB  | OCH   | OROB  | ALOB   | ACH  | AROB  | VOL   | TWA    | R-BANK ELEV |
| TIME  | VLOB  | VCH   | VROB  | XNL    | XNCH | XNR   | WTN   | ELMIN  | SSTA        |
| SLOPE | XLOBL | XLCH  | XLOBR | ITRIAL | IDC  | ICONT | CORAR | TOPWID | ENDST       |

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1645 INT SEC ADDED BY RAISING SEC 1.0L, -2.300 FT AND MULTIPLYING BY 1.153

3381 HW CHANGED MORE THAN HWINS

3685 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED WSEL,OWSEL

3693 PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

3720 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |      |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|------|---------|---------|
| 3.000   | 3.47 | 3973.47 | 3973.47 | .00  | 3974.48 | 1.01 | 4.04 | 3.35    | 3971.70 |
| 16129.0 | 21.7 | 16096.3 | 11.0    | 4.7  | 1996.1  | 2.6  | 93.7 | 35.3    | 3971.70 |
| .07     | 4.61 | 8.06    | 4.29    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000 | 3970.00 | 61.68   |
| .010920 | 425. | 200.    | 175.    | 20   | 0       | 0    | .00  | 1034.21 | 1095.88 |

\*SECD 2.000

3685 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED WSEL,OWSEL

PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

3720 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |       |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|-------|---------|---------|
| 2.000   | 2.31 | 3969.31 | 3969.31 | .00  | 3970.04 | .72  | 6.04  | 3.79    | 3968.00 |
| 16129.0 | 10.3 | 16112.1 | 6.6     | 2.6  | 2357.6  | 1.7  | 120.0 | 51.7    | 3968.00 |
| .09     | 3.90 | 6.83    | 3.82    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000  | 3967.00 | 2.06    |
| .012119 | 600. | 525.    | 500.    | 20   | 19      | 0    | .00   | 1686.56 | 1688.62 |

\*SECD 1.000

3685 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED WSEL,OWSEL

3693 PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

3720 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |       |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|-------|---------|---------|
| 1.000   | 2.94 | 3966.94 | 3966.94 | .00  | 3967.54 | .60  | 6.39  | 5.99    | 3966.00 |
| 16129.0 | 4.3  | 16120.4 | 4.3     | 1.3  | 2593.9  | 1.3  | 149.6 | 74.8    | 3966.00 |
| .12     | 3.23 | 6.21    | 3.23    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000  | 3964.00 | 3.17    |
| .012444 | 540. | 520.    | 600.    | 20   | 11      | 0    | .00   | 2179.66 | 2182.83 |

\*SECD .000

3685 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED WSEL,OWSEL

3693 PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

3720 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

|         |      |         |         |      |         |      |       |         |         |
|---------|------|---------|---------|------|---------|------|-------|---------|---------|
| .000    | 2.84 | 3964.24 | 3964.24 | .00  | 3964.71 | .48  | 5.49  | 6.35    | 3963.40 |
| 16129.0 | 3.2  | 16122.6 | 3.2     | 1.0  | 2904.2  | 1.0  | 177.1 | 100.4   | 3963.40 |
| .14     | 3.03 | 5.55    | 3.03    | .030 | .030    | .030 | .000  | 3961.40 | 3.49    |
| .012812 | 345. | 435.    | 860.    | 20   | 10      | 0    | .00   | 2952.02 | 2955.51 |







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THIS RUN EXECUTED 5/15/92 17: 4:56

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CSD Job  
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ERROR CORR - 91.02.03.04  
MODIFICATION -

NOTE- ASTERISK (\*) AT LEFT OF CROSS-SECTION NUMBER INDICATES MESSAGE IN SUMMARY OF ERRORS LIST

WASH - SUPERCRITICAL

PRIMARY PRINTOUT TABLE 150

| SECNO | XLCH   | ELTRD | ELLC | ELMIN   | Q        | CWSEL   | CRIMS   | ES      | 10PKS  | VCH   | AREA    | .BLK    |
|-------|--------|-------|------|---------|----------|---------|---------|---------|--------|-------|---------|---------|
| 9.000 | .00    | .00   | .00  | 4002.00 | 16129.00 | 4005.29 | 4005.28 | 4007.84 | 91.85  | 10.04 | 1613.45 | 1682.94 |
| 7.000 | 395.00 | .00   | .00  | 3995.00 | 16129.00 | 3998.72 | 3999.31 | 4001.85 | 177.63 | 12.27 | 1321.11 | 1218.18 |
| 6.000 | 440.00 | .00   | .00  | 3988.00 | 16129.00 | 3991.99 | 3992.40 | 3994.11 | 140.86 | 11.72 | 1385.19 | 1359.84 |
| 5.000 | 615.00 | .00   | .00  | 3981.00 | 16129.00 | 3985.50 | 3985.50 | 3988.20 | 88.65  | 10.52 | 1544.99 | 1713.83 |
| 4.000 | 750.00 | .00   | .00  | 3974.60 | 16129.00 | 3979.21 | 3979.37 | 3981.10 | 101.60 | 11.00 | 1466.19 | 1600.17 |
| 3.000 | 560.00 | .00   | .00  | 3970.00 | 16129.00 | 3973.47 | 3973.47 | 3974.40 | 109.20 | 8.0   | 2003.39 | 1543.47 |
| 2.000 | 525.00 | .00   | .00  | 3967.00 | 16129.00 | 3969.31 | 3969.31 | 3970.04 | 121.19 | 6.83  | 2361.89 | 1465.13 |
| 1.000 | 520.00 | .00   | .00  | 3964.00 | 16129.00 | 3966.94 | 3966.94 | 3967.54 | 124.44 | 6.21  | 2596.60 | 1445.89 |
| .000  | 435.00 | .00   | .00  | 3961.40 | 16129.00 | 3964.24 | 3964.24 | 3964.71 | 128.12 | 5.55  | 2906.32 | 1424.96 |

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10AB WASH - SUPERCRITICA

SUMMARY PRINTOUT TABLE 150

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C20 Job 6/2/92

| SECNO | Q        | CMSEL   | DIFWSP | DIFWSX | DIFKWS | TOPWID  | XLCH     |
|-------|----------|---------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----------|
| 8.000 | 16129.00 | 4006.28 | .00    | .00    | -.02   | 529.11  | .00      |
| 7.000 | 16129.00 | 3998.72 | .00    | -1.76  | .00    | 528.64  | 396.00   |
| 6.000 | 16129.00 | 3991.99 | .00    | -6.73  | .00    | 500.54  | 440.00 L |
| 5.000 | 16129.00 | 3986.50 | .00    | -5.50  | .00    | 465.47  | 615.00 M |
| 4.000 | 16129.00 | 3979.21 | .00    | -7.29  | .00    | 452.34  | 750.00 N |
| 3.000 | 16129.00 | 3973.47 | .00    | -2.13  | .00    | 1834.21 | 560.00   |
| 2.000 | 16129.00 | 3969.31 | .00    | -4.16  | .00    | 1686.56 | 525.00 P |
| 1.000 | 16129.00 | 3965.94 | .00    | -2.37  | .00    | 2179.66 | 520.00   |
| .000  | 16129.00 | 3964.24 | .00    | -2.71  | .00    | 2952.02 | 435.00   |

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SUMMARY OF ERRORS AND SPECIAL NOTES

SECTION= 8.000 PROFILE= 1 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

SECTION= 7.000 PROFILE= 1 INTERPOLATED X-SECTIONS USED

SECTION= 5.000 PROFILE= 1 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

SECTION= 5.000 PROFILE= 1 PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

SECTION= 5.000 PROFILE= 1 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED TO BALANCE WSEL

SECTION= 3.000 PROFILE= 1 INTERPOLATED X-SECTIONS USED

SECTION= 2.000 PROFILE= 1 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

SECTION= 2.000 PROFILE= 1 PROBABLE MINIMUM SPECIFIC ENERGY

SECTION= 2.000 PROFILE= 1 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED TO BALANCE WSEL

SECTION= 1.000 PROFILE= 1 CRITICAL DEPTH ASSUMED

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SECTION= .000 PROFILE= 1 20 TRIALS ATTEMPTED TO BALANCE WSEL

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ATTACHMENT C

EXCERPTS FROM PEMBERTON, et. al.

"COMPUTING DEGRADATION AND LOCAL SCOUR"

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COMPUTING  
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LOCAL SCOUR,

by

Ernest L. Pemberton  
Joseph M. Lara

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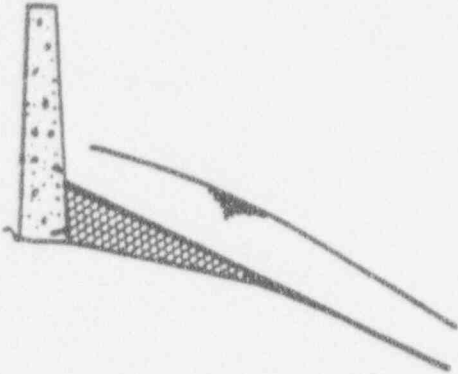


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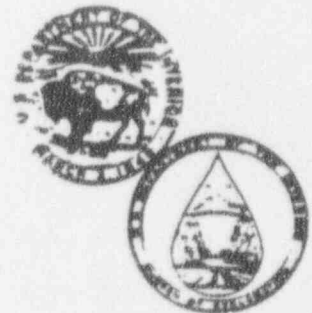
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**TECHNICAL GUIDELINE FOR  
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Inch-pound units

Metric units

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$$L_g = \frac{37.05}{0.00112}$$

$$L_g = \frac{1.625 (6.94)}{0.00112}$$

$$L_g = 33\ 100\ \text{ft}$$

$$L_g = 10\ 100\ \text{m}$$

and for the subreaches:

Inch-pound units

Metric units

$$L_1 = \frac{22.8}{2 (0.00112)} = 10\ 200\ \text{ft}$$

$$L_1 = \frac{6.94}{2 (0.00112)} = 3\ 100\ \text{m}$$

$$L_2 = \frac{3 (22.8)}{8 (0.00112)} = 7\ 600\ \text{ft}$$

$$L_2 = \frac{3 (6.94)}{8 (0.00112)} = 2\ 300\ \text{m}$$

$$L_3 = \frac{3 (22.8)}{4 (0.00112)} = 15\ 300\ \text{ft}$$

$$L_3 = \frac{3 (6.94)}{4 (0.00112)} = 4\ 700\ \text{m}$$

#### CHANNEL SCOUR DURING PEAK FLOODFLOWS

The design of any structure located either along the riverbank and flood plain or across a channel requires a river study to determine the response of the riverbed and banks to large floods. A knowledge of fluvial morphology combined with field experience is important in both the collection of adequate field data and selection of appropriate studies for predicting the erosion potential. In most studies, two processes must be considered, (1) natural channel scour, and (2) scour induced by structures placed by man either in or adjacent to the main river channel.

Natural scour occurs in any moveable bed river but is more severe when associated with restrictions in river widths, caused by morphological channel changes, and influenced by erosive flow patterns resulting from channel alignment such as a bend in a meandering river. Rock outcrops along the bed or banks of a stream can restrict the normal river movement and thus effect any of the above influencing factors. Manmade structures can have varying degrees of influence, usually dependent upon either the restriction placed upon the normal river movement or by turbulence in flow pattern directly related to the structure. Examples of structures that influence river movement would be (1) levees placed to control flood plain flows, thus increasing main channel discharges; (2) spur dikes, groins, riprapped banks, or bridge abutments used to control main channel movement; or (3) pumping plants or headworks to canals placed on a riverbank. Scour of the bed or banks caused by these structures is that created by higher local velocities or excessive turbulence at the structure. Structures placed directly in the river consist of (1) piers and piling for either highways or railroad bridges; (2) dams across the river for diversion or storage, (3) grade control structures such as rock cascades, gabion controls or concrete baffled apron drop

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structures; or (4) occasionally a powerline or tower structure placed in the flood plain but exposed to channel erosion with extreme shifting or movement of a river. All of the above may be subject to higher local velocities, but usually are subject to the more critical local scour caused by turbulence and helicoidal flow patterns.

The prediction of river channel scour due to floods is necessary for the design of many Reclamation structures. These Reclamation guidelines on scour represent a summary of some of the more applicable techniques which are described in greater detail in the reference publications by T. Blench (1969), National Cooperative Highway Research Program Synthesis 5 (1970), C. R. Neill (1973), D. B. Simons and F. Senturk (1977), and S. C. Jain (1981). The paper by S. C. Jain (1981) summarized many of the empirical equations developed for predicting scour of a streambed around a bridge pier. It should be recognized that the many equations are empirically developed from experimental studies. Some are regime-type based on practical conditions and considerable experience and judgment. Because of the complexity of scouring action as related to velocity, turbulence, and bed materials, it is difficult to prescribe a direct procedure. Reclamation practice is to compute scour by several methods and utilize judgment in averaging the results or selection of the most applicable procedures.

The equations for predicting local channel scour usually can be grouped into those applicable to the two previously described processes of either a natural channel scour or scour caused by a manmade structure. A further breakdown of these processes is shown in table 6 where Type A equations are those used for natural river erosion and Types B, C, and D cover various manmade structures.

The importance of experience and judgment in conducting a scour study cannot be overemphasized. It should be recognized that the techniques described in these guidelines merely provide a set of practical tools in guiding the investigator to estimate the amount of scour for use in design. The collection of adequate field data to define channel hydraulics and bed or bank materials to be scoured govern the accuracy of any study. They should be given as much emphasis as the methodology used in the analytical study. Field data are needed to compute water surface profiles for a reach of river in the determination of channel hydraulics for use in a scour study. With no restrictions in channel width, scour is computed from the average channel hydraulics for a reach. If a structure restricts the river width, scour is computed from the channel hydraulics at the restriction. In all cases, scour estimates should be based upon the portion of discharge in and hydraulic characteristics of the main channel only.



Table 6. - Classification of scour equation for various structure designs

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| Equation type | Scour                                      | Design   |
|---------------|--|--|
| A             | Natural channel for restrictions and bends | Siphon crossing or any buried pipeline. Stability study of a natural bank. Waterway for one-span bridge.                                     |
| B             | Bankline structures                        | Abutments to bridge or siphon crossing. Bank slope protection such as riprap, etc. Spur dikes, groins, etc. Pumping plants. Canal headworks. |
| C             | Midchannel structures                      | Piling for bridge. Piers for flume over river. Powerline footings. Riverbed water intake structures.   |
| D             | Hydraulic structures across channel        | Dams and diversion dams. Erosion controls. Rock cascade drops, gabion controls, and concrete drops.  |

Although each scour problem must be analyzed individually, there are some general flow and sediment transport characteristics to be considered in making the judgmental decision on methodology. The general conclusion reached by Lane and Borland (1954) was that floods do not cause a general lowering of streambed, and rivers such as the Rio Grande may scour at the narrow sections but fill up at the wider downstream sections during a major flood. Another general sediment transport characteristic is the influence of a large sediment load on scour which includes the variation of sediment transport associated with a high peak, short duration flood hydrograph. The large sediment concentrations usually of clay and silt size material will occur on the rising stage of the hydrograph up and through the peak of the flood while the falling stage of the flood with deposition of coarser sediments in the bed of the channel may be accompanied by greater scour of the wetted channel banks. Channel scour also occurs when the capacity of streamflow with extreme high velocities in portions of the channel cross section will transport the bed material at a greater rate than replacement materials are supplied. Thus, maximum depth of channel scour during the flood is a function of the channel geometry, obstruction created by a structure (if any), the velocity of flow, turbulence, and size of bed material.

Design Flood

The first step in local scour study for design of a structure is selection of design flood frequency. Reclamation criteria for design of most structures

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shown in table 6 varies from a design flood estimated on a frequency basis from 50 to 100 years. This pertains to an adequate waterway for passage of the floodflow peak. The scour calculations for these same structures are always made for a 100-year flood peak. The use of the 100-year flood peak for scour is based on variability of channel hydraulics, bed material, and general complexity of the erosive process. The exception in the use of the 100-year flood peak for estimating scour would be the scour hole immediately below a large dam or a major structure where loss of structure could involve lives or represent a catastrophic event. In this case, the scour for use in design should be determined for a flow equal to 50 percent of the structure design flood.

#### Equation Types A and B (See Table 6)

Natural river channel scour estimates are required in design of a buried pipe, buried canal siphon, or a bankline structure. For most siphon crossings of a river, the cost of burying a siphon will dictate either the selection of a natural narrow reach of river or a restriction in width created by constructing canal bankline levees across a portion of the flood plain. A summary of available methods for computing scour at constrictions is given by Neill (1973). The four methods for estimating general scour at constricted waterways described by Neill (1973) are considered the proper approach for estimating scour for use in either design of a siphon crossing or where general scour is needed of the riverbed for a bankline structure. The four methods supplemented with Reclamation's procedure for application are given below:

1. Field measurements of scour method. - This method consists of observing or measuring the actual scoured depths either at the river under investigation or a similar type river. The measurements are taken during as high a flow as possible to minimize the influence of extrapolation.

A Reclamation unpublished study by Abbott (1963) analyzed U.S. Geological Survey discharge measurement notes from several streams in the southwestern United States, including the Galisteo Creek at Domingo, New Mexico, and developed an empirical curve enveloping observed scour at the gaging station. This envelope curve for use in siphon design was further supported by observed scour from crest-stage and scour gages on Gallegos, Kutz, Largo, Chaco, and Gobernador Canyons in northwest New Mexico collected during the period from 1963 to 1969. The scour gages consisted of a series of deeply anchored buried flexible tapes across the channel section that were resurveyed after a flood to determine the depth of scour at a specific location. The results of these measurements are shown on figure 8 along with the envelope curve for Galisteo Creek that support scour estimates for wide sandbed ( $D_{50}$  varying from 0.5 to 0.7 mm) ephemeral streams in the southwestern United States by the equation.

$$d_s = K (q)^{0.24} \quad (24)$$

where:

$d_s$  = Depth of scour below streambed, ft (m)  
 $K$  = 2.45 inch-pound units (1.32 metric units)  
 $q$  = Unit water discharge,  $\text{ft}^3/\text{s}$  per ft of width ( $\text{m}^3/\text{s}$  per m of width)

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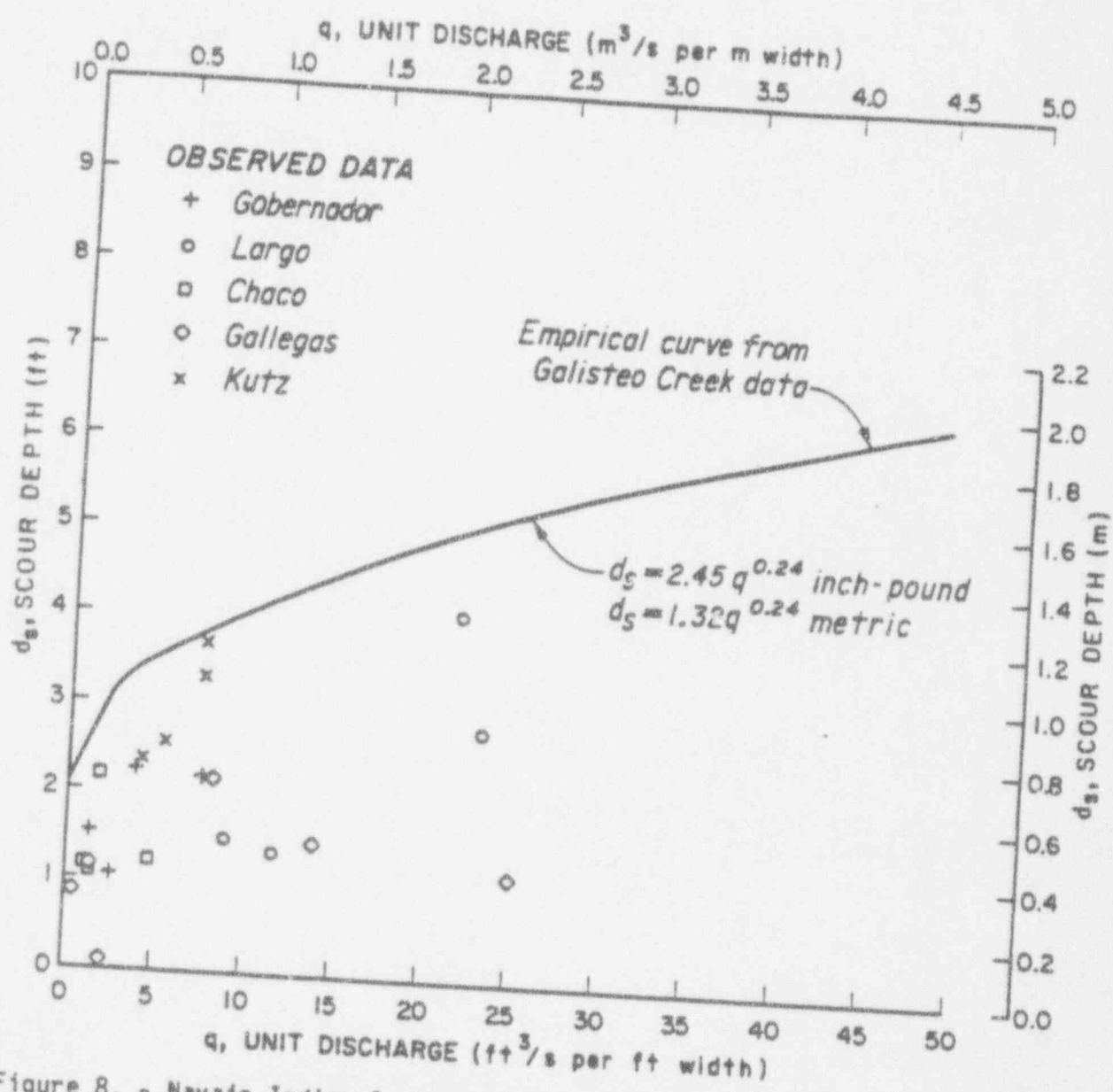


Figure 8. - Navajo Indian Irrigation Project - scour versus unit discharge.

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The use of equation 24 except as a check on other methods would be limited to channels similar to those observed on relatively steep slopes ranging from 0.004 to 0.008 ft/ft (m/m). Because of shallow depths of flow and medium to coarse sand size bed material the bedload transport should also be very high.

2. Regime equations supported by field measurements method. - This approach as suggested by Neill (1973) on recommendations by Blench (1969) involves obtaining field measurements in an incised reach of river from which the bankfull discharge and hydraulics can be determined. From the bankfull hydraulics in the incised reach of river, the flood depths can be computed by:

$$d_f = d_i \left( \frac{q_f}{q_i} \right)^m \quad (25)$$

where:

- $d_f$  = Scoured depth below design floodwater level
- $d_i$  = Average depth at bankfull discharge in incised reach
- $q_f$  = Design flood discharge per unit width
- $q_i$  = Bankfull discharge in incised reach per unit width
- $m$  = Exponent varying from 0.67 for sand to 0.85 for coarse gravel

This method has been expanded for Reclamation use to include the empirical regime equation by Lacey (1930) and the method of zero bed-sediment transport by Blench (1969) in the form of the Lacey equation:

$$d_m = 0.47 \left( \frac{Q}{f} \right)^{1/3} \quad (26)$$

where:

- $d_m$  = Mean depth at design discharge, ft (m)
- $Q$  = Design discharge, ft<sup>3</sup>/s (m<sup>3</sup>/s)
- $f$  = Lacey's silt factor equals  $1.76 (D_m)^{1/2}$  where  $D_m$  equal mean grain size of bed material in millimeters

and the Blench equation for "zero bed factor":

$$d_{fo} = \frac{q_f^{2/3}}{F_{bo}^{1/3}} \quad (27)$$

where:

- $d_{fo}$  = Depth for zero bed sediment transport, ft (m)
- $q_f$  = Design flood discharge per unit width, ft<sup>3</sup>/s per ft (m<sup>3</sup>/s per m)
- $F_{bo}$  = Blench's "zero bed factor" in ft/s<sup>2</sup> (m/s<sup>2</sup>) from figure 9

The maximum natural channel scour depth for design of any structure placed below the streambed (i.e., siphon) or along the bank of a channel must

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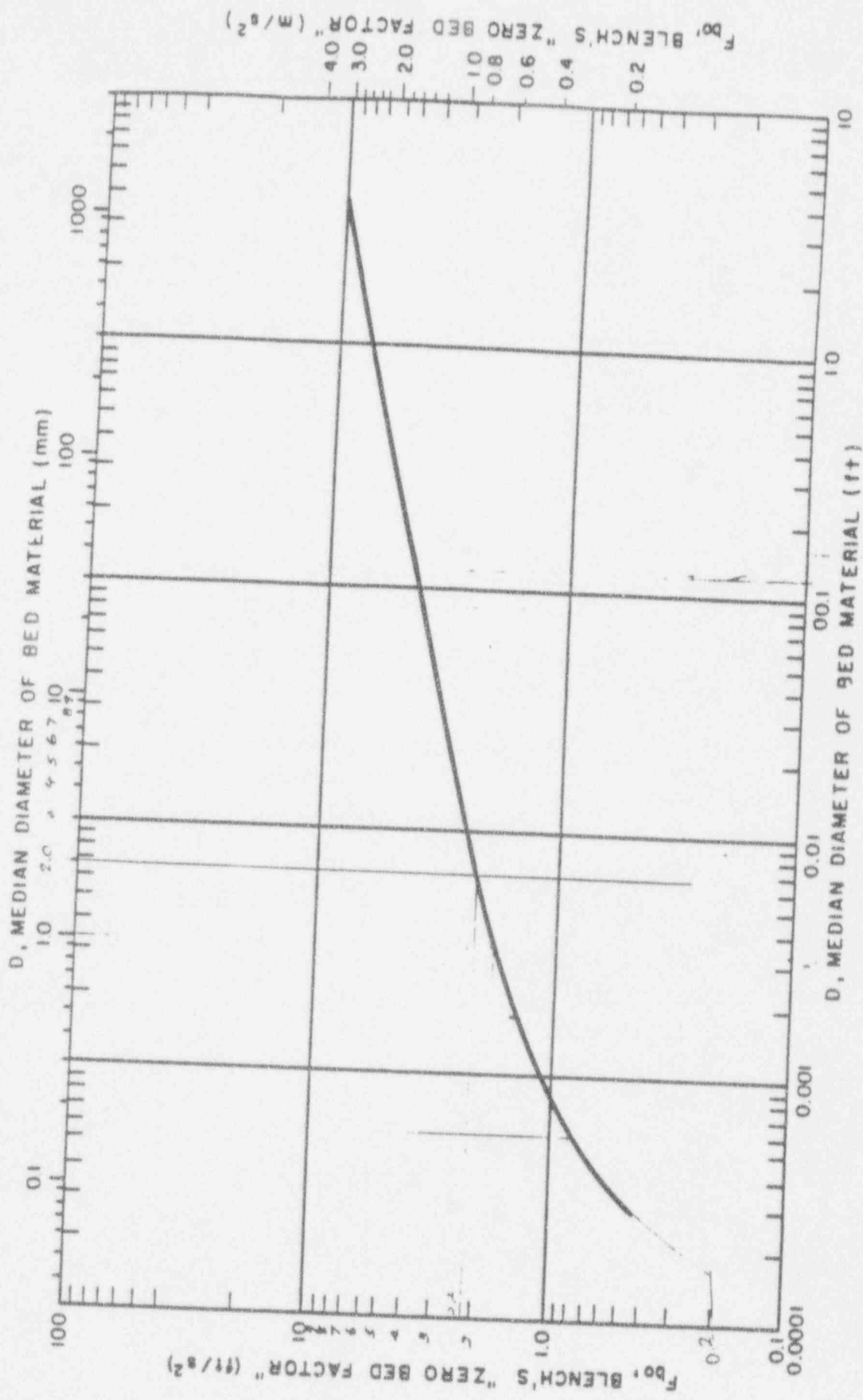


CHART FOR ESTIMATING  $F_{bo}$  (AFTER BLENCH)

Figure 9. - Chart for estimating  $F_{bo}$  (after Blench, 1969).

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consider the probable concentration of floodflows in some portion of the natural channel. Equations 25, 26, or 27 for predicting this maximum depth are to be adjusted by the empirical multiplying factors, Z, shown for formula Types A and B (table 6), in table 7. An illustration of maximum scour depth associated with a flood discharge is shown in a sketch of a natural channel, figure 10. As shown in table 7 and on figure 10, the  $d_s$  equals depth of scour below streambed.

$$d_s = Z d_f \tag{28}$$

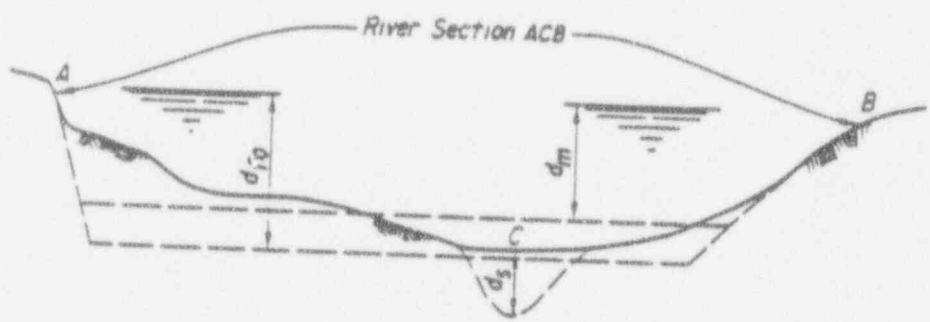
$$d_s = Z d_m \tag{29}$$

$$d_s = Z d_{fo} \tag{30}$$

Table 7. - Multiplying factors, Z, for use in scour depths by regime equations

| Condition                         | Value of Z             |                        |                            |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|
|                                   | Neill<br>$d_s = Z d_f$ | Lacey<br>$d_s = Z d_m$ | Blench<br>$d_s = Z d_{fo}$ |
| <u>Equation Types A and B</u>     |                        |                        |                            |
| Straight reach                    | 0.5                    | 0.25                   | } $\frac{1}{0.6}$          |
| Moderate bend                     | 0.6                    | 0.5                    |                            |
| Severe bend                       | 0.7                    | 0.75                   |                            |
| Right angle bends                 |                        | 1.0                    | 1.25                       |
| Vertical rock bank or wall        |                        | 1.25                   |                            |
| <u>Equation Types C and D</u>     |                        |                        |                            |
| Nose of piers                     | 1.0                    |                        | 0.5 to 1.0                 |
| Nose of guide banks               | 0.4 to 0.7             | 1.50 to 1.75           | 1.0 to 1.75                |
| Small dam or control across river |                        |                        | 1.5                        |

$\frac{1}{0.6}$  Z value selected by USBR for use on bends in river.



NOTE:  $d_{fo} = d_f = d_m$ . Point C is low point of natural section.

Figure 10. - Sketch of natural channel scour by regime method.

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Although not shown on figure 10, the  $d_f$  from Neill's equation 25 is usually less than the  $d_{fo}$  from Blench's equation 27 but greater than the  $d_m$  from Lacey's equation 26.

The design of a structure under a river channel such as a siphon is based on applying the scoured depth,  $d_s$ , as obtained from table 7 to the low point in a surveyed section, as shown by point C on figure 10. This criteria is considered by Reclamation as an adequate safety factor for use in design. In an alluvial streambed, designs should also be based on scour occurring at any location in order to provide for channel shifting with time.

Mean velocity from field measurements method. - This approach represents an adjustment in surveyed channel geometry based on an extrapolated design flow velocity. In Reclamation's application of this method, a series of at least four cross sections are surveyed and backwater computations made for the design discharge by use of Reclamation's Water Surface Profile Computer Program. In addition to the surveyed cross sections observed, water surface elevations at a known or measured discharge are needed to provide a check on Manning's "n" channel roughness coefficient. This procedure allows for any proposed waterway restrictions to be analyzed for channel hydraulic characteristics including mean velocity at the design discharge. The usual Reclamation application of this method is to determine the mean channel depth,  $d_m$ , from the computer output data and apply the Z values defined by Lacey in table 7 to compute a scour depth,  $d_s$ , by equation 29 where  $d_s = Z d_m$ .

Examples of more unique solutions to scour problems were Reclamation studies on the Colorado River near Parker, Arizona, and Salt River near Granite Reef Diversion Dam, Arizona, where an adjustment in "n" based on particle size along with a Z value from table 7 provided a method of computing bed scour. The selection of a particle size "n" associated with scour in the above two examples was computed from the Strickler (1923) equation for roughness of a channel based on diameter of particles where:

$$K = \frac{C}{D_{90}^{1/6}} \quad (31)$$

$C \approx 26$  from Nikuradse (1933) and "n" = 1/K. The appropriate "n" values for the two rivers based on particle size and engineering judgment were selected as follows:

| River    | D (mm) | Particle size "n" | Selected "n" |
|----------|--------|-------------------|--------------|
| Colorado | 0.2    | 0.01              | 0.014        |
| Salt     | 18     | 0.02              | 0.02         |

In the Colorado River study, the existing channel "n" value of 0.022 was adjusted down to 0.014 due to bed material particle size to give a computed water surface at design discharge representative of a scoured channel. With a Z value of 0.5, the scoured section in the form of a triangular section combined with the accepted "n" of 0.022 provided a close check on the water surface computed without scour. An illustration

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of this technique is shown in sketch on figure 11a. Another example is shown on figure 11b for a Salt River scour study where the particle size "n" of 0.02 gave a reduced mean depth. Scour was assumed to be in the shape of a triangle where the average depth of scour would be equal the depth at an "n" equal to 0.02 subtracted from depth at an "n" equal to 0.03. (See example problem in subsequent paragraph.)

- 4 Competent or limiting velocity control to scour method. - This method assumes that scour will occur in the channel cross section until the mean velocity is reduced to that where little or no movement of bed material is taking place. It gives the maximum limit to scour existing in only the deep scour hole portion of the channel cross section and is similar to the Blench equation 27 for a "zero bed factor."

The empirical curves, figure 12, derived by Neill (1973) for competent velocity with sand or coarser bed material (>0.30 mm) represent a combining of regime criteria, Shields (1936) criterion for material >1.0 mm, and a mean velocity formula relating mean velocity  $V_m$  to the shear velocity. The competent velocities for erosion of cohesive materials recommended by Neill (1973) are given in table 8. The scour depth or increase in area of scoured channel section with corresponding increase in depth for competent velocity,  $V_c$ , is determined by relationship of mean velocity,  $V_m$ , to  $V_c$  in the equation:

$$d_s = d_m \left( \frac{V_m}{V_c} - 1 \right) \quad (32)$$

where:

$d_s$  = Scour depth below streambed, ft (m)  
 $d_m$  = Mean depth, ft (m)

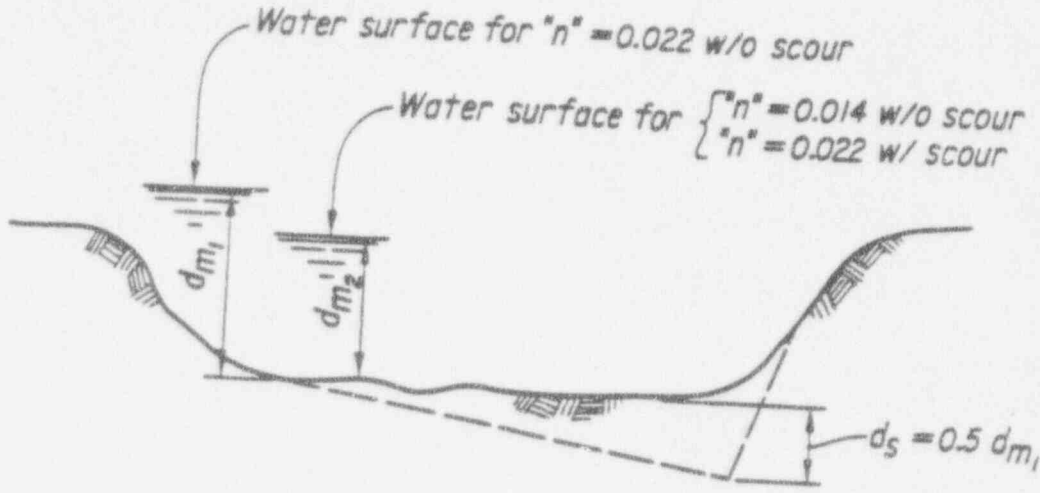
Table 8. - Tentative guide to competent velocities for erosion of cohesive materials\* (after Neill, 1973)

| Depth of flow<br>ft      m |     | Competent mean velocity                     |      |                |     |  |     |
|----------------------------|-----|---|------|----------------|-----|--|-----|
|                            |     | Low values -<br>easily erodible<br>material |      | Average values |     | High values -<br>resistant<br>material |     |
|                            |     | ft/s  | m/s  | ft/s           | m/s | ft/s                                   | m/s |
| 5                          | 1.5 | 1.9   | 0.6  | 3.4            | 1.0 | 5.9                                    | 1.8 |
| 10                         | 3   | 2.1   | 0.65 | 3.9            | 1.2 | 6.6                                    | 2.0 |
| 20                         | 6   | 2.3   | 0.7  | 4.3            | 1.3 | 7.4                                    | 2.3 |
| 50                         | 15  | 2.7   | 0.8  | 5.0            | 1.5 | 8.6                                    | 2.6 |

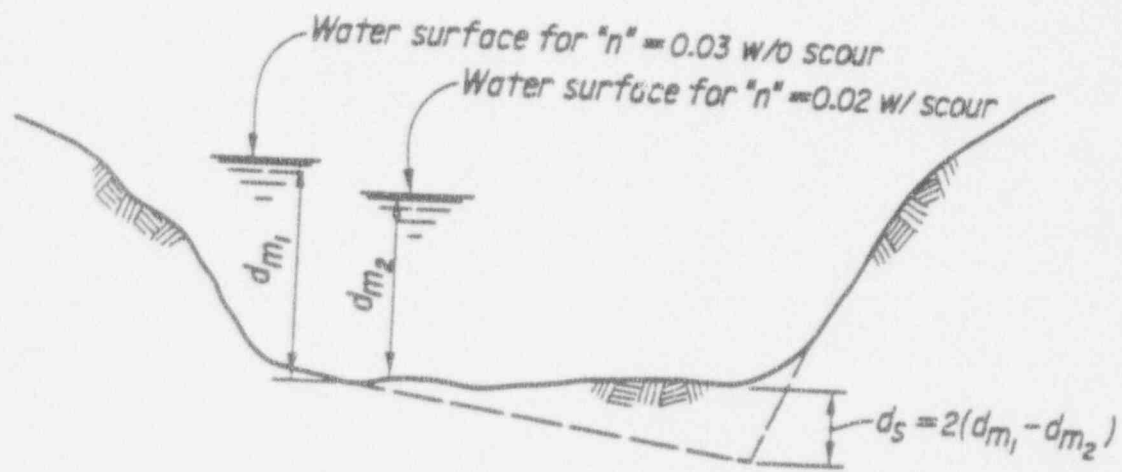
\* Notes: (1) This table is to be regarded as a rough guide only, in the absence of data based on local experience. Account must be taken of the expected condition of the material after exposure to weathering and saturation. (2) It is not considered advisable to relate the suggested low, average, and high values to soil shear strength or other conventional indices, because of the predominating effects of weathering and saturation on the erodibility of many cohesive soils.



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a. Colorado River Study



b. Salt River Study

Figure 11. - Sketch of scour from water surface profile computations and reduced "n" for scour.

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The use of figure 12 and table 8 recommended by Neill (1973) has had limited application in Reclamation, but appears to be a potential useful technique for many Reclamation studies on scour and armoring of the channel.

#### Equation Type C (See Table 6)

The principal references for design of midchannel structures for scour such as at bridge piers are National Cooperative Highway Research Program Synthesis 5 (1970), C. R. Neill (1973), Federal Highway Administration, Training and Design Manual (1975), Federal Highway Administration (1980), and S. C. Jain (1981). The numerous empirical relationships for computing scour at bridge piers include one or more of the following hydraulic parameters: pier width and skewness, flow depth, velocity, and size of sediment. The many relations available were further broken down by Jain (1981) to two different approaches: (1) regime, and (2) rational.

The Federal Highway Administration has funded numerous research projects to assist in improving their designs of bridge piers. This research has not resulted in any one recommended procedure. Reclamation's need for scour estimates at midchannel structures is limited. The procedures adopted are to try at least two techniques and apply engineering judgment in selecting an average or most reliable method. The regime approach is to use either equations 26, 27, 28, or 30 and a Z value from table 7. An appropriate Z value to use for piers is 1.0 as found for the railway bridge piers applied to the Lacey equation 29 reported by Central Board of Irrigation and Power (1971).

The rational equation selected for scour at piers is described by Jain (1981) in the form:

$$\frac{d_s}{b} = 1.84 \left(\frac{d}{b}\right)^{0.3} (F_c)^{0.25} \quad (33)$$

where:

$d_s$  = Depth of scour below streambed, ft (m)

$b$  = Pier size, ft (m)

$d$  = Flow depth, ft (m)

$F_c = V_c / \sqrt{gd}$  = Threshold Froude number

$V_c$  = Threshold velocity, ft/s (m/s) from figure 12

$g$  = Acceleration due to gravity, 32.2 ft/s<sup>2</sup> (9.81 m/s<sup>2</sup>)

#### Equation Type D (See Table 6)

Immediately downstream from any hydraulic structure the riverbed is subject to the erosive action created by the structure. Some type of stilling basin or energy dissipator as described by Reclamation (1977) is provided in the design of such structures to dissipate the energy thereby reducing the erosion potential. There still remains at most structures, below the point where the structure ends and the natural riverbed material begins, a potential for scour. The magnitude of this scour hole will depend on a combination of flow velocity, turbulence, and vortices generated by the structure. Simons and Senturk (1977) describe many of the available equations.

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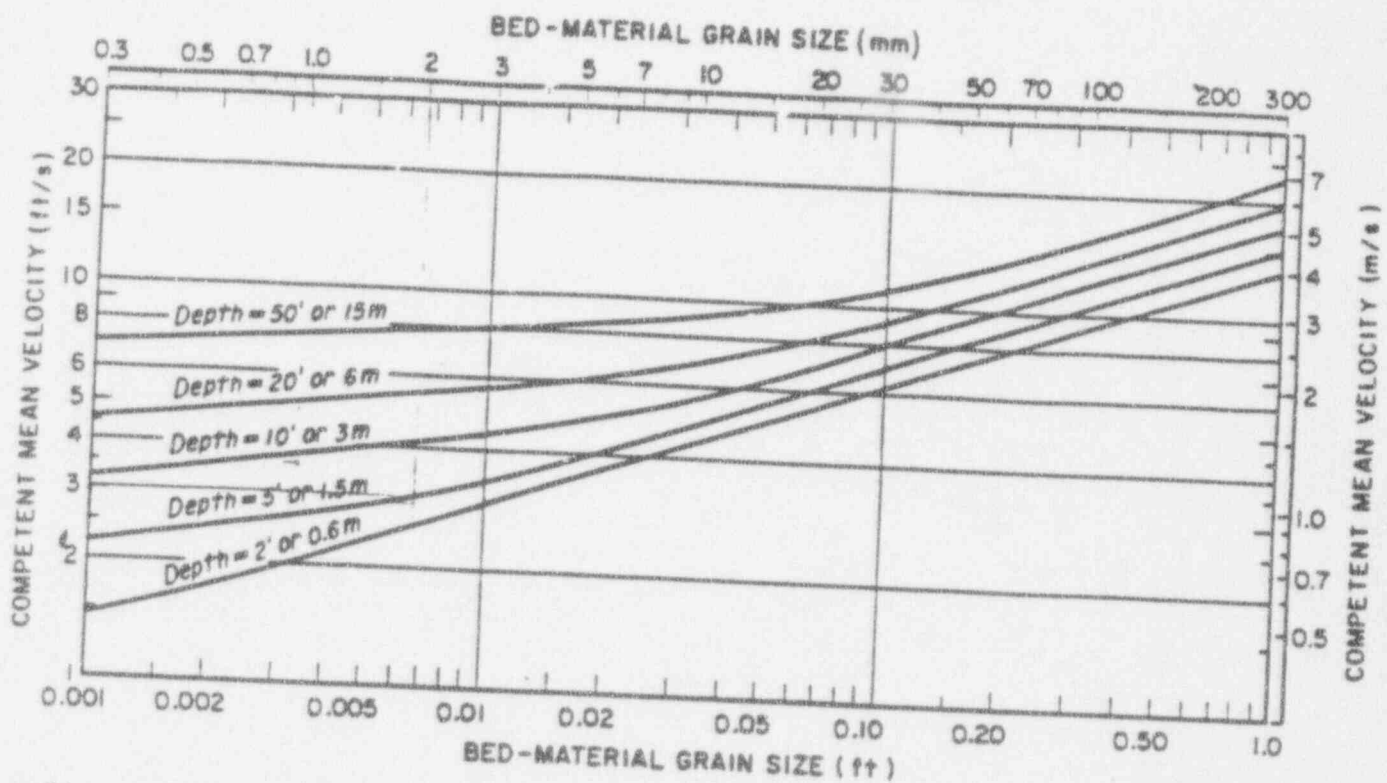


Figure 12. - Suggested competent mean velocities for significant bed movement of cohesionless materials, in terms of grain size and depth of flow (after Neill, 1973).