

INSPECTION REPORT
Sedimentation Structure
N12-N
Kayenta Mine
Navajo County, Arizona
for
PEABODY COAL COMPANY



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INTRODUCTION

Sedimentation Structure N12-N is an earthen embankment, designed and constructed in 1981 by Peabody Coal Company as a temporary sedimentation structure to control runoff and sediment from the disturbed mining areas of the Kayenta Mine. The location of Structure N12-N is shown on Plate 1, Site Plan.

This inspection report contains information specific to Structure N12-N. Regional site information is presented in the "General Report, Kayenta and Black Mesa Mines, Navajo County, Arizona for Peabody Coal Company," along with the methods and results of analyses used for slope stability, hydrology and hydraulics.

INSPECTION

Structure N12-N was inspected on September 9, 1985 by an interdisciplinary team of engineers from Dames & Moore. The purpose of the inspection was to assess the safety and general condition of the structure with respect to United States Department of Interior, Office of Surface Mining (OSM) regulations.

Dames & Moore's inspection was performed in accordance with applicable 30 CFR 780 and 816 regulations and included a review of the N12-N project files and a field inspection of the structure. The most current information contained in the Peabody Coal Company files includes the 1984 and current survey data and inspections performed in 1984 and 1985 by

Peabody Coal Company. The survey data developed in August 1984 was used in the analyses of the structure. Results of the field inspection are included in this report as Appendix A.

SITE DESCRIPTION

LAND USE

Structure N12-N has a 8.98-acre tributary drainage area and is located near Coal Mine Wash at the Kayenta Mine. The watershed is classified as 58% Pinion/Juniper and 42% disturbed.

EMBANKMENT

Structure N12-N is a homogeneous earthen embankment classified as a cross-valley embankment. Physical characteristics of the embankment are listed in the following table:

Structure N12-N

Embankment	Residual Shale Soils
Foundation	Residual Shale Soils
Right Abutment	Residual Shale Soils
Left Abutment	Residual Shale Soils
Height	8.8 ft
Crest Width	15 ft
Upstream Slope	2.25 H : 1 V
Downstream Slope	3.7 H : 1 V

A cross-section of the embankment is shown on Plate 2, Existing Maximum Cross Section N12-N, A-A'.

ANALYSES

STABILITY

Structure N12-N is a category B-1 embankment. A standard category B-1 embankment has static and seismic factors of safety equal to or greater than 1.5 and 1.2, respectively, under the following conditions:

1. Maximum height = 15 ft
2. Maximum upstream slope = 1.75 H : 1 V
3. Maximum downstream slope = 2.5 H : 1 V
4. Normal pool with steady seepage saturation conditions

The N12-N embankment is lower in height and has flatter slopes than the category standard; therefore, the embankment has factors of safety greater than the design minimum.

HYDROLOGY

The hydrologic analysis was completed using the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers generalized computer program HEC-1, Flood Hydrograph Package. Structure N12-N is not in series with any other structure and therefore the spillway was analyzed using the 25-year, 6-hour storm. The storage capacity of Structure N12-N was analyzed using the 10-year, 24-hour storm.

The following parameters were used in the hydrologic analysis:

1. Water Course length, L 0.114 mi
2. Elevation Difference, H 91 ft
3. Time of Concentration, T 0.037 h
4. Lag time, $0.6T_c$ 0.022 h
5. SCS Curve Number 88
6. Rainfall Depth, 10-year, 24-hour storm . 2.1 in.
25-year, 6-hour storm. . 1.9 in.
7. Drainage Area 8.98 acres

HYDRAULICS

The HEC-1 program was used to evaluate inflow to the sedimentation structure, outflow from the structure and the resulting water surface elevations. The initial conditions and results of the analysis are summarized in the following table.

N12-N HYDRAULICS

Units	10-year 24-hour Storm	25-year 6-hour Storm
Initial Reservoir Volume		
Condition	Empty	Full to the spillway elevation
Inflow		
Peak Flow cfs	20	27
Volume acre-ft	0.80	0.60
Storage		
Peak Stage ft	6884.19	—
Spillway Elevation . . ft	6887.99	—
Peak Storage acre-ft	0.80	—
Storage Capacity . . . acre-ft	2.07	—
Outflow		
Peak Flow cfs	0	5
Embankment Crest		
Elevation ft	—	6890.96
Peak Stage ft	—	6888.75
Freeboard ft	—	2.21
Spillway Channel		
Flow Depth ft	—	0.76
Critical Velocity . . . fps	—	2.0
Manning's "n"	—	0.035
Outflow Channel		
Slope %	—	4
Normal Velocity fps	—	2.1
Normal Depth ft	—	0.12
Manning's "n"	—	0.035

Approach Channel

The existing approach channel for N12-N has a U-shaped channel with following dimensions:

Channel width	21 ft
Channel length	30 ft
Average slope	0 percent

There is presently no erosion protection within the channel.

Spillway Channel

The existing spillway for N12-N has a trapezoidal channel with the following dimensions:

Channel depth	4.5 ft
Channel width	21 ft
Channel length	40 ft
Side slopes (horizontal to vertical). .	2:1
Average exit slope	0 percent

There is presently no erosion protection within the channel.

Outflow Channel

The existing outflow channel for N12-N has a trapezoidal channel with the following dimensions:

Channel width 21 ft
Channel length 80 ft
Side slopes (horizontal to vertical). . 2:1
Average exit slope 0 percent

There is presently no erosion protection within the channel.

STORAGE CAPACITY

The impoundment volume-elevation curve is based on site specific surveys conducted for Peabody Coal Company's August 1984 inspection, and 1985 resurveys, where available. Additionally, the most current topographic maps available were used in developing Plate 3, Volume-Elevation Curve, N12-N.

The calculations for the sediment load entering Structure N12-N were made utilizing the Universal Soil Loss Equation with the following parameters:

1. Rainfall Factor, R 40
2. Soil Erodibility Factor, K 0.22
3. Slope Factor, LS 5.40
4. Cover Factor, C 0.501
5. Erosion Control Factor, P 1.0

The hydrologic analysis gives the storage volume required to contain the 10-year, 24-hour storm, and the remaining storage volume available for storing sediment. The existing storage capacity of N12-N and the results of the sediment inflow analysis are summarized in the following table.

N12-N STORAGE

Total Storage Capacity	2.07	acre-ft
10-year, 24-hour Storm Inflow	0.80	acre-ft
Available Sediment Storage Capacity . .	1.27	acre-ft
Sediment Inflow Rate	0.010	acre-ft/yr
Sediment Storage Life	127	yrs

REMEDIAL COMPLIANCE PLAN

GEOTECHNICS

The inspection of Structure N12-N indicated that the geotechnical problems consist of rill and gully erosion on the upstream and downstream slopes, the side slopes of the approach, spillway, outlet channel, the bottom of the approach and outlet channel, and the right and left abutments; and an uneven upstream slope. Correction of erosion is considered a periodic maintenance task and does not require remedial action. The upstream slope of the embankment should be trimmed to prevent masking of potential future problems.

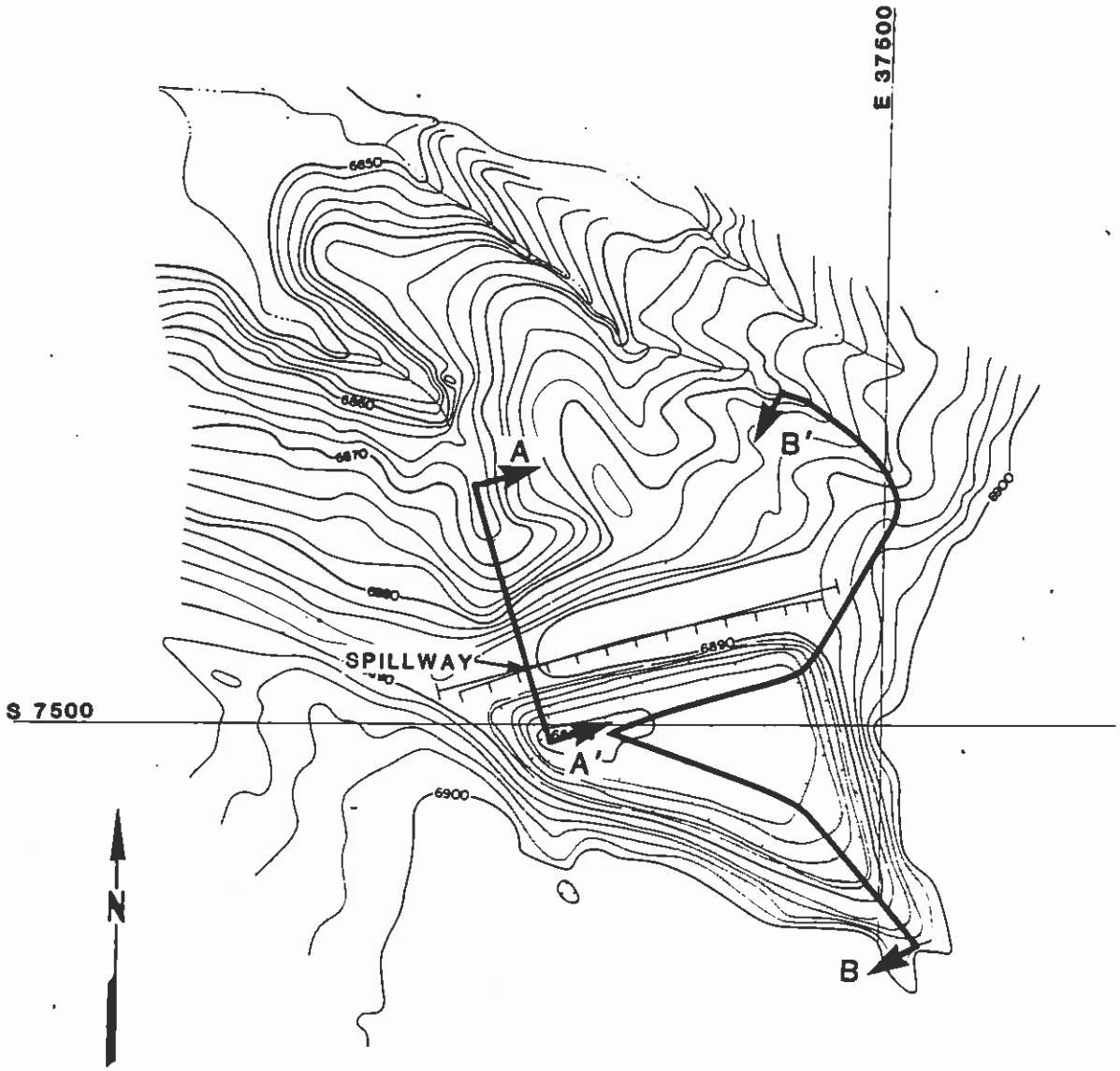
HYDRAULICS

The storage capacity and spillway capacity of Structure N12-N are adequate. The spillway and outflow channels are not protected with riprap. Both channels should be protected against erosion using geotextile and gravel as shown in Plate 5. Plate 4 shows the existing spillway and outflow channel profile and Plate 5 shows the channel dimensions.

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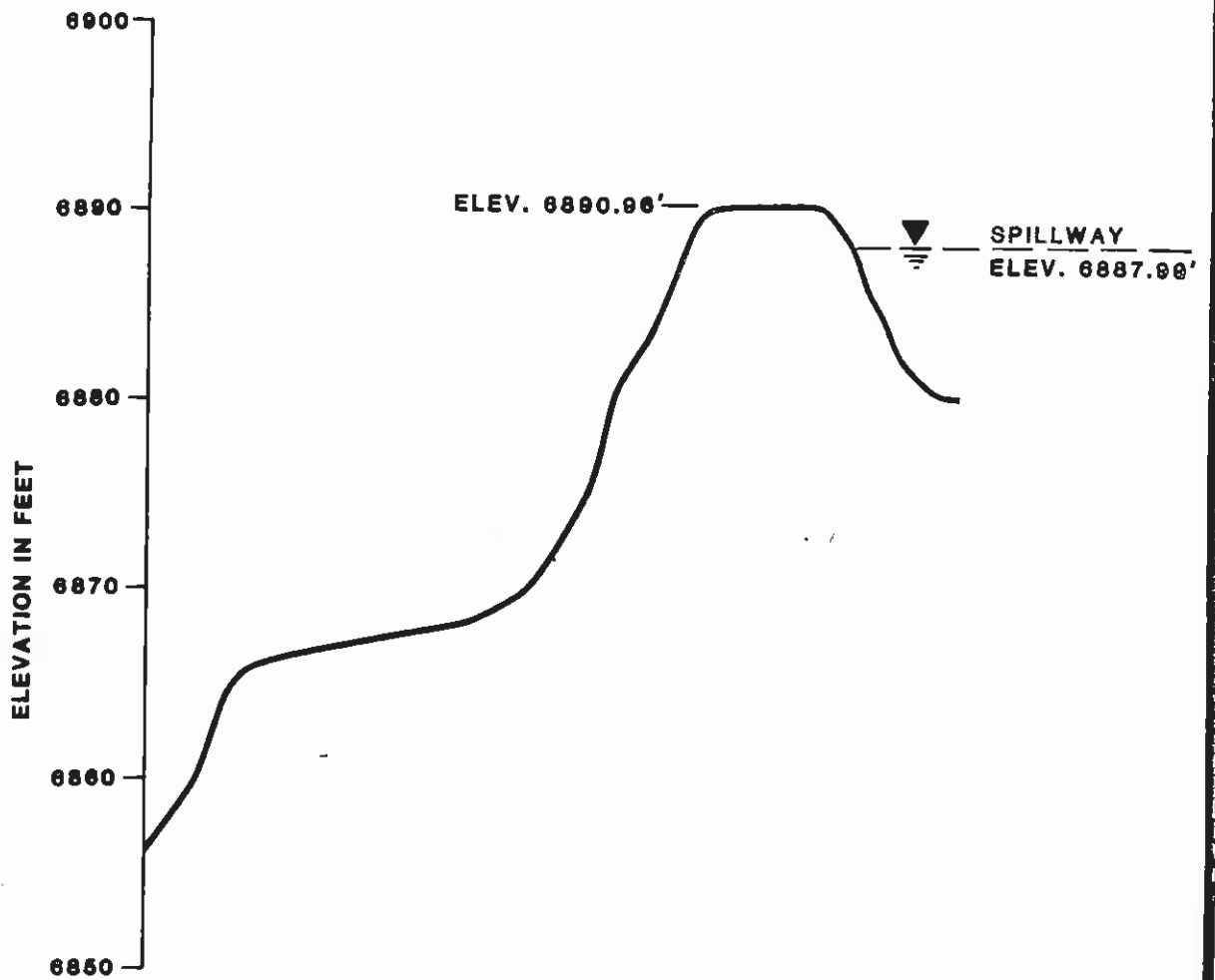
The following plates and appendix are attached and complete this inspection report.

- Plate 1 - Site Plan N12-N
- Plate 2 - Existing Maximum Cross Section N12-N, A-A'
- Plate 3 - Volume-Elevation Curve N12-N
- Plate 4 - Channel Profile N12-N, B-B'
- Plate 5 - Spillway and Outflow Channel Cross Section N12-N
- Appendix A - Inspection Check List
- Appendix B - Hydrology and Hydraulic Calculations



**SITE PLAN
N12-N**



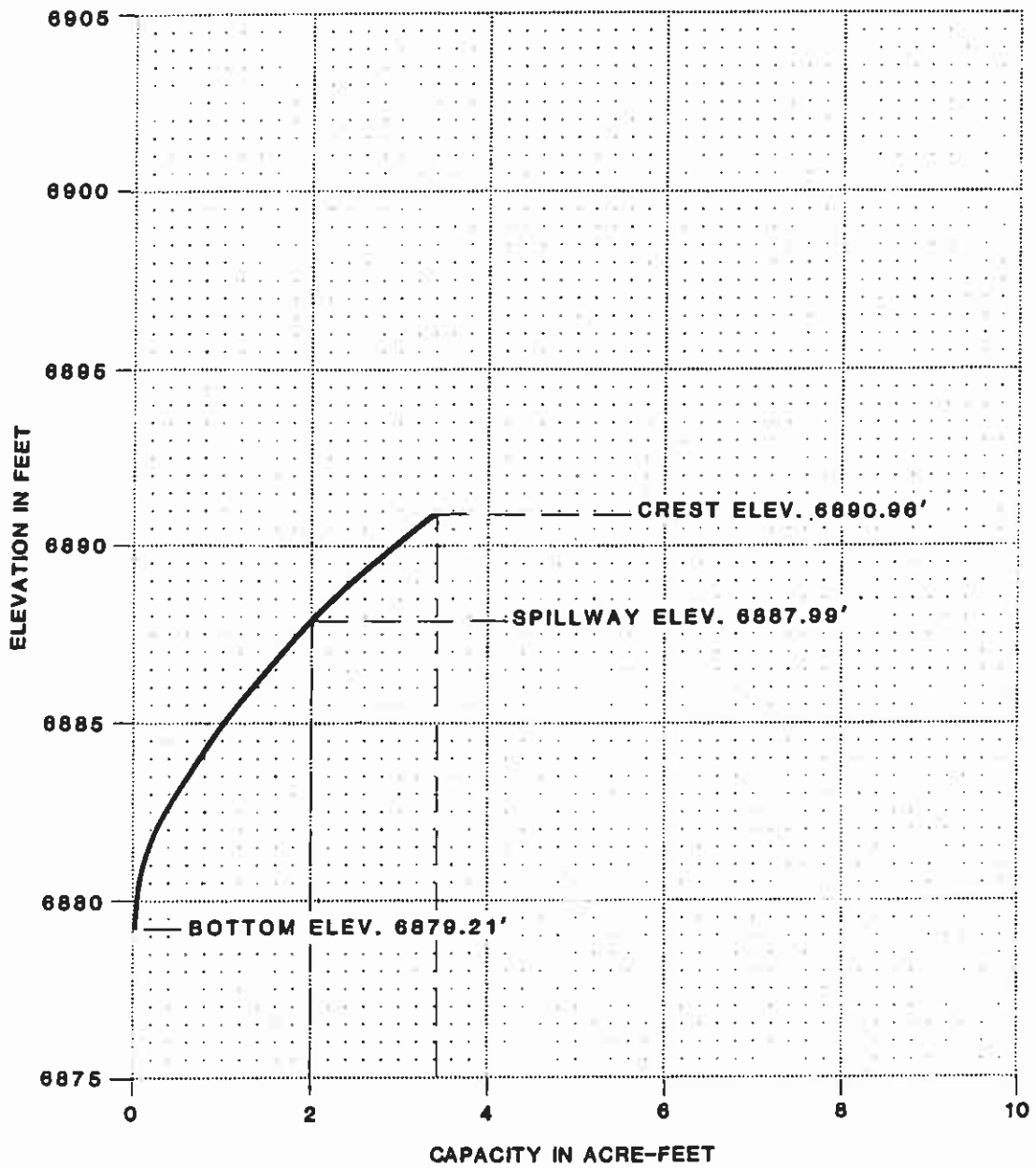


EXISTING
MAXIMUM CROSS-SECTION
A-A'
N12-N

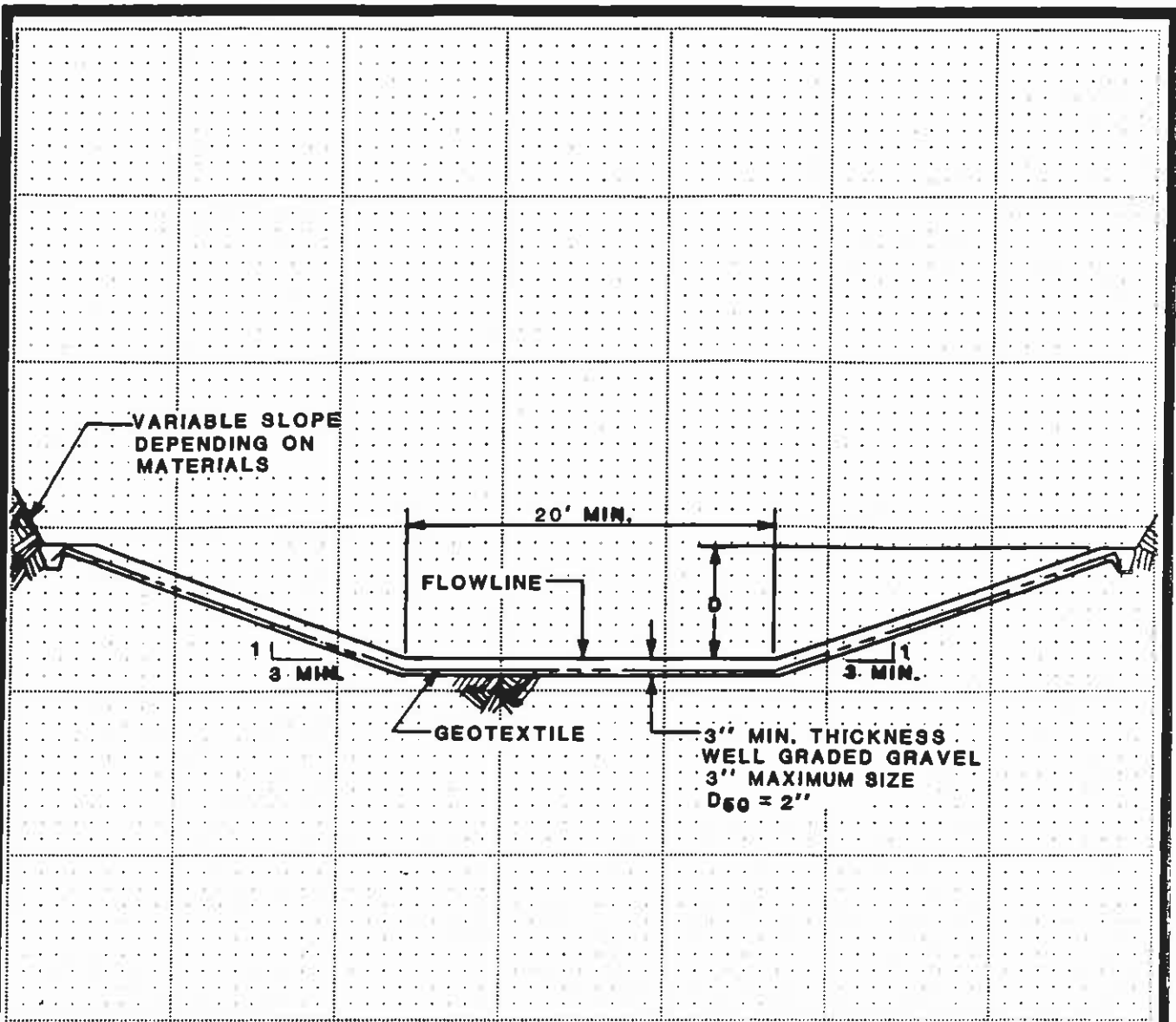
FOR LOCATION SEE PLATE 1

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Plate 2



VOLUME-ELEVATION
CURVE
N12-N



SPILLWAY CHANNEL

D = 1.8'
 LENGTH = 40'
 FLOWLINE ELEV. = 6887.99'

OUTFLOW CHANNEL

D = 1'

**SPILLWAY AND
 OUTFLOW CHANNEL
 CROSS SECTION
 N12-N**

APPENDIX A
INSPECTION CHECK LIST

INSPECTION CHECK LIST

ITEM	YES	NO	REMARKS
1. CREST			15'W
a. Any visual settlements?		X	
b. Misalignment?		X	
c. Cracking?		X	
2. UPSTREAM SLOPE			UNEVEN, NOT TRIMMED 24°
a. Adequate grass cover?		X	
b. Any erosion?	X		Rills
c. Are trees growing on slope?		X	
d. Longitudinal cracks?		X	
e. Transverse cracks?		X	
f. Adequate riprap protection?		X	
g. Any stone deterioration?			NA
h. Visual depressions or bulges?		X	
i. Visual settlements?		X	
j. Animal burrows?		X	
3. DOWNSTREAM SLOPE			15°
a. Adequate grass cover?		X	
b. Any erosion?	X		Rills
c. Are trees growing on slope?		X	
d. Longitudinal cracks?		X	
e. Transverse cracks?		X	
f. Visual depressions or bulges?		X	
g. Visual settlements?		X	
h. Is the toe drain dry?			NA
i. Are the relief wells flowing?			NA
j. Are boils present at the toe?		X	
k. Is seepage present?		X	
l. Animal burrows?		X	
4. ABUTMENT CONTACT. RIGHT			
a. Any erosion?	X		Rills & gulleys into spillway
b. Visual differential movement?		X	
c. Any cracks noted?		X	
d. Is seepage present?		X	
e. Type of Material?			gray sm
5. ABUTMENT CONTACT. LEFT			
a. Any erosion?	X		Rills at contact into pond
b. Visual differential movement?		X	
c. Any cracks noted?		X	
d. Is seepage present?		X	
e. Type of Material?			gray SM

ITEM	YES	NO	REMARKS
6. SPILLWAY/NORMAL			
a. Location:			
Left abutment?			
Right abutment?	X		
Crest of Embankments?			
b. Approach Channel:		X	21' w 30' L 0% slope 15° at entrance
Are side slopes eroding?	X		Rills
Are side slopes sloughing?		X	
Bottom of channel eroding?	X		Gulleys at entrance
Obstructed?		X	
Erosion protection?		X	
c. Spillway Channel:	X		4.5' below Crest 21' w 40' L 0% slope
Are side slopes eroding?	X		From dam & abutment
Are side slopes sloughing?		X	
Bottom of channel eroding?		X	
Obstructed?		X	
Erosion protection?		X	
d. Outflow Channel:	X		21' w 30' to bend 50' to end 0% slope
Are side slopes eroding?	X		
Are side slopes sloughing?		X	
Bottom of channel eroding?	X		Gulleys at exit
Obstructed?		X	
Erosion protection?		X	
e. Weir:		X	
Condition?			
7. SPILLWAY/EMERGENCY			
a. Location:			NA
Left abutment?			
Right abutment?			
Crest of Embankments?			
b. Approach Channel:			
Are side slopes eroding?			
Are side slopes sloughing?			
Bottom of channel eroding?			
Obstructed?			
Erosion protection?			
c. Spillway Channel:			
Are side slopes eroding?			
Are side slopes sloughing?			
Bottom of channel eroding?			
Obstructed?			
Erosion protection?			
d. Outflow Channel:			
Are side slopes eroding?			
Are side slopes sloughing?			
Bottom of channel eroding?			
Obstructed?			
Erosion protection?			
e. Weir:			
Condition?			

ITEM	YES	NO	REMARKS
8. IMPOUNDMENT			
a. Sinkholes?		X	(Elev.) feet
b. Water present?		X	(Elev.) feet
c. Siltation?	X		
d. Watershed matches soil map?		X	
9. GENERAL COMMENTS			
			Partially Incised Pond

Canopy 25
 Ground 40

APPENDIX B
HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULIC CALCULATIONS

TIME OF CONCENTRATION

ELEVATION DIFFERENCE = 6980 - 6889 = 91 ft.

WATER COURSE LENGTH = 1.5(400) = 600 ft. = 0.114 mi.

$T_c = \left(\frac{11.9 (0.114)^3}{91} \right)^{0.385} = 0.037 \text{ hr.}$

Lag Time = 0.6 T_c = 0.022 hr.

REVISIONS
 BY _____ DATE _____ TO EO _____
 BY _____ DATE _____ TO EO _____

SCS CURVE NUMBER

<u>DRAINAGE AREA (ac)</u>	<u>COVER TYPE</u>	<u>HYDROLOGIC CONDITION</u>	<u>SOIL TYPE</u>	<u>WEIGHTED CURVE NUMBER</u>
3.73	disturbed		D	94 (.42)
5.25	P-J	average	D	83 (.58)
				<u>87.62</u>
		100% # 25		we <u>88</u>

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DRAINAGE BASIN AREA

8.98 ACRES

0.014 SQ MILE

UNIVERSAL SOIL LOSS EQUATION

RAINFALL FACTOR

$K = 47$

SOIL ERODIBILITY FACTOR

SOIL TYPE = 100% #25 .22

K = 0.22

SLOPE FACTOR

<u>LENGTH (ft.)</u>	<u>Δ ELEV (ft.)</u>	<u>SLOPE (%)</u>	<u>LS</u>
450	90	20	8.65 (.6)
650	20	3	.52 (.4)
			<u>use 5.4</u>

COVER FACTOR

<u>AREA (ac)</u>	<u>COVER TYPE</u>	<u>% COVER</u>	<u>CANOPY (%)</u>	<u>WEIGHTED C</u>
42%	disturbed	—	—	.42 (1.0)
58%	P-J	40	25	.58 (.14)
				<u><u>C = .501</u></u>

EROSION CONTROL FACTOR

P = 1.0

SEDIMENT INFLOW

$A = 40(0.22)(5.4)(.501)(1.0) = 23.81$ ton/acre/year

$A = (23.81) \left(\frac{1}{2047} \right) (8.98)(.95) = 0.0100$ acre-feet/year

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