

INSPECTION REPORT
SEDIMENTATION STRUCTURE

WW-4

Black Mesa Mine

Navajo County, Arizona

by

PEABODY COAL COMPANY



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Introduction

Sedimentation Structure WW-4 is an earthen embankment, designed and constructed in 1985 by Peabody Coal Company as a temporary sedimentation structure to control runoff and sediment from the disturbed areas of the Black Mesa Mine. The location of Structure WW-4 is shown on Plate 1 Site Plan.

This inspection report contains information specific to Structure WW-4. 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 WW-4 was inspected on October 31, 1985 by Compliance engineers from Peabody Coal Company. 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.

Peabody Coal Company's inspection was performed in accordance with applicable 30 CFR 780 and 816 regulations and included a review of the WW-4 project files and field inspection of the structure. The most current information contained in the Peabody Coal Company files includes the 1985 survey, design and construction quality assurance data. The survey data developed in 1985 was used in the analyses of the structure. Results of the field inspection are included in this report.

Site Description

Land Use. Structure WW-4 has a 10.0-acre tributary drainage area and is located near Moenkopi Wash at the Black Mesa Mine. The watershed is classified as 28% disturbed and 72% undisturbed.

Embankment. Structure WW-4 is a homogeneous earthen embankment classified as an in-wash embankment. Physical characteristics of the embankment are listed in the following table:

Structure WW-4

Embankment	Alluvium Soils
Foundation	Alluvium Soils
Right Abutment	Alluvium Soils
Left Abutment	Alluvium Soils
Height	12.0 ft
Crest Width	15.0 ft
Upstream Slope	2.0 H : 1.0 V
Downstream Slope	3.0 H : 1.0 V

Grass will provide erosion protection for the upstream and downstream slopes, while riprap provides erosion protection for the downstream toe of the slope.

Analyses

Stability. Structure WW-4 is a category C-1 embankment. A standard category C-1 embankment has static and seismic factors of safety of 1.5 and 1.2, respectively, under the following conditions:

1. Maximum height = 12 ft
2. Maximum upstream slope = 1.6 H : 1.0 V
3. Maximum downstream slope = 2.8 H : 1.0 V
4. Full pool condition with steady seepage

The WW-4 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 University of Kentucky's generalized computer program SEDIMOT II. Structure WW-4 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 WW-4 was analyzed using the 10-year, 24-hour storm.

The following parameters were used in the hydrologic analysis:

1. Water Course Length, L 0.25 mi
2. Elevation Difference, H 150.0 ft
3. Time of Concentration in hour, T_c 0.076 h
4. SCS Curve Number 82.0

- 5. Rainfall depth, 10-year, 24-hour storm 2.1 in
- " " , 25-year, 6-hour storm 1.9 in
- 6. Drainage Area 10.0 acres

Hydraulics. SEDIMOT II program was utilized to evaluate inflow, reservoir response and outflow from the structure. The initial conditions and results of the analysis are summarized in the Hydraulics table.

Spillway Channel. The existing spillway for WW-4 has a trapezoidal channel with the following dimensions:

- Channel depth 1.7 ft
- Channel width 15.0 ft
- Channel length 30.0 ft
- Side Slope (horizontal to vertical) 3 : 1
- Average Exit Slope 0 percent

The spillway channel is riprapped as per the approved design.

Outflow Channel. The existing outflow channel for WW-4 is a trapezoidal channel of the following dimensions:

- Channel depth 1.7 ft
- Channel width 15.0 ft
- Channel length 150.0 ft
- Side Slopes (horizontal to vertical) 3 : 1
- Average Exit Slope 12 percent

The spillway channel is riprapped as per the approved design.

Storage Capacity. The impoundment Stage-Capacity Curve is based on site specific survey conducted for Peabody Coal Company's as-built inspection. Additionally, the most recent topographic maps available were used in developing Plate 2, Stage-Capacity Curve, WW-4.

The calculations for the sediment load entering Structure WW-4 were made utilizing the Modified Universal Soil Loss Equation with the following parameters:

- 1. Soil Erodibility Factor, K 0.32
- 2. Average Slope 30%
- 3. Average Length of Slopes 300 ft
- 4. Erosion Control Factor, P 1.0

The hydrologic analysis give the storage volume required to contain the 10-year, 24-hour storm, and the remaining storage volume available for storing sediment. The storage capacity of WW-4 is shown on Plate 2. Stage-Capacity Curve, WW-4, and the results of the analysis are summarized in the following table.

WW-4 STORAGE

Total Storage Capacity	14.36 acre-ft
10-year, 24-hour Storm Inflow	0.60 acre-ft
Available Sediment Storage Capacity	13.76 acre-ft
Sediment Inflow, 10-year, 24-hour Storm (MUSLE)	0.73 acre-ft
Sediment Storage	18.37 10-year, 24 hour Storms

Remedial Compliance Plan

Geotechnics. The inspection of Structure WW-4 indicated that there are no geotechnical problems at this time.

Hydraulics. Peabody's evaluation indicates that the storage and spillway capacity of Structure WW-4 are adequate. No remedial work is required at this time.

WW-4 HYDRAULICS TABLE

		10-year 24-hour Storm	25-year 6-hour Storm
Initial Reservoir Volume Condition		Empty	Full to the spillway elevation
Inflow			
Peak Flow	cfs	8	10
Volume	acre-ft	0.60	0.49
Storage			
Peak Stage	ft	6208.4	6228.5
Spillway Elevation	ft	6228.5	--
Peak Storage	acre-ft	0.60	--
Storage Capacity	acre-ft	14.36	--
Outflow			
Peak Flow	cfs	0	5
Embankment Crest Elevation	ft	--	6229.5
Peak Storage	ft	--	6228.6
Freeboard	ft	--	0.9
Spillway Channel			
Flow Depth	ft	--	0.16
Critical Velocity	fps	--	2.0
Manning's "n"		--	0.040
Outflow Channel			
Slope	%	--	12.0
Normal Velocity	fps	--	12.13
Normal Depth	ft	--	0.03
Manning's "n"		--	0.040

APPENDIX A
PEABODY INSPECTION CHECK LIST

INSPECTION CHECK LIST

ITEM	YES	NO	REMARKS
1. CREST			
a. Any visual settlements?		X	
b. Misalignment?		X	
c. Cracking?		X	
2. UPSTREAM SLOPE <u>43%</u>			
a. Adequate grass cover?		X	<i>Not Established</i>
b. Any erosion?		X	
c. Are trees growing on slope?		X	
d. Longitudinal cracks?		X	
e. Transverse cracks?		X	
f. Adequate riprap protection?	<i>N.A.</i>		
g. Any stone deterioration?	<i>N.A.</i>		
h. Visual depressions or bulges?		X	
i. Visual settlements?		X	
j. Animal burrows?		X	
3. DOWNSTREAM SLOPE <u>34%</u>			
a. Adequate grass cover?		X	<i>Not Established</i>
b. Any erosion?		X	
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?	<i>N.A.</i>		
i. Are the relief wells flowing?	<i>N.A.</i>		
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	
b. Visual differential movement?		X	
c. Any cracks noted?		X	
d. Is seepage present?		X	
e. Type of Material?			<i>Sandy Silt (SM)</i>
5. ABUTMENT CONTACT. LEFT			
a. Any erosion?		X	
b. Visual differential movement?		X	
c. Any cracks noted?		X	
d. Is seepage present?		X	
e. Type of Material?			<i>Sandy Silt (SM)</i>

ITEM	YES	NO	REMARKS
6. SPILLWAY/NORMAL			
a. Location:			
Left abutment?			
Right abutment?	X		
Crest of Embankments?			
b. Approach Channel:			
Are side slopes eroding?	N.A.		
Are side slopes sloughing?			
Bottom of channel eroding?			
Obstructed?			
Erosion protection?			
c. Spillway Channel: 0%			
Are side slopes eroding?		X	
Are side slopes sloughing?		X	
Bottom of channel eroding?		X	
Obstructed?		X	
Erosion protection?	X		Riprap
d. Outflow Channel: 12%			
Are side slopes eroding?		X	
Are side slopes sloughing?		X	
Bottom of channel eroding?		X	
Obstructed?		X	
Erosion protection?	X		Riprap
e. Weir:			
Condition?	N.A.		
7. SPILLWAY/EMERGENCY			
a. Location:			
Left abutment?	N.A.		
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?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(Elev.) feet
b. Water present?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	(Elev.) feet
c. Siltation?		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
d. Watershed matches ^{drainage} soil map?	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		

9. GENERAL COMMENTS

Seeded in the fall but no significant vegetation on slopes yet. No apparent slope erosion.

APPENDIX B
HYDROLOGY AND HYDRAULIC CALCULATIONS

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TIME OF CONCENTRATION

ELEVATION DIFFERENCE = 5397 - 5280 = 117

WATER COURSE LENGTH = 572 / 5280 = 0.108

$T_c = \left(\frac{11.9 \left(\frac{0.108}{1.49} \right)^3 \right)^{0.385} = \underline{1.076} \text{ hrs.}$

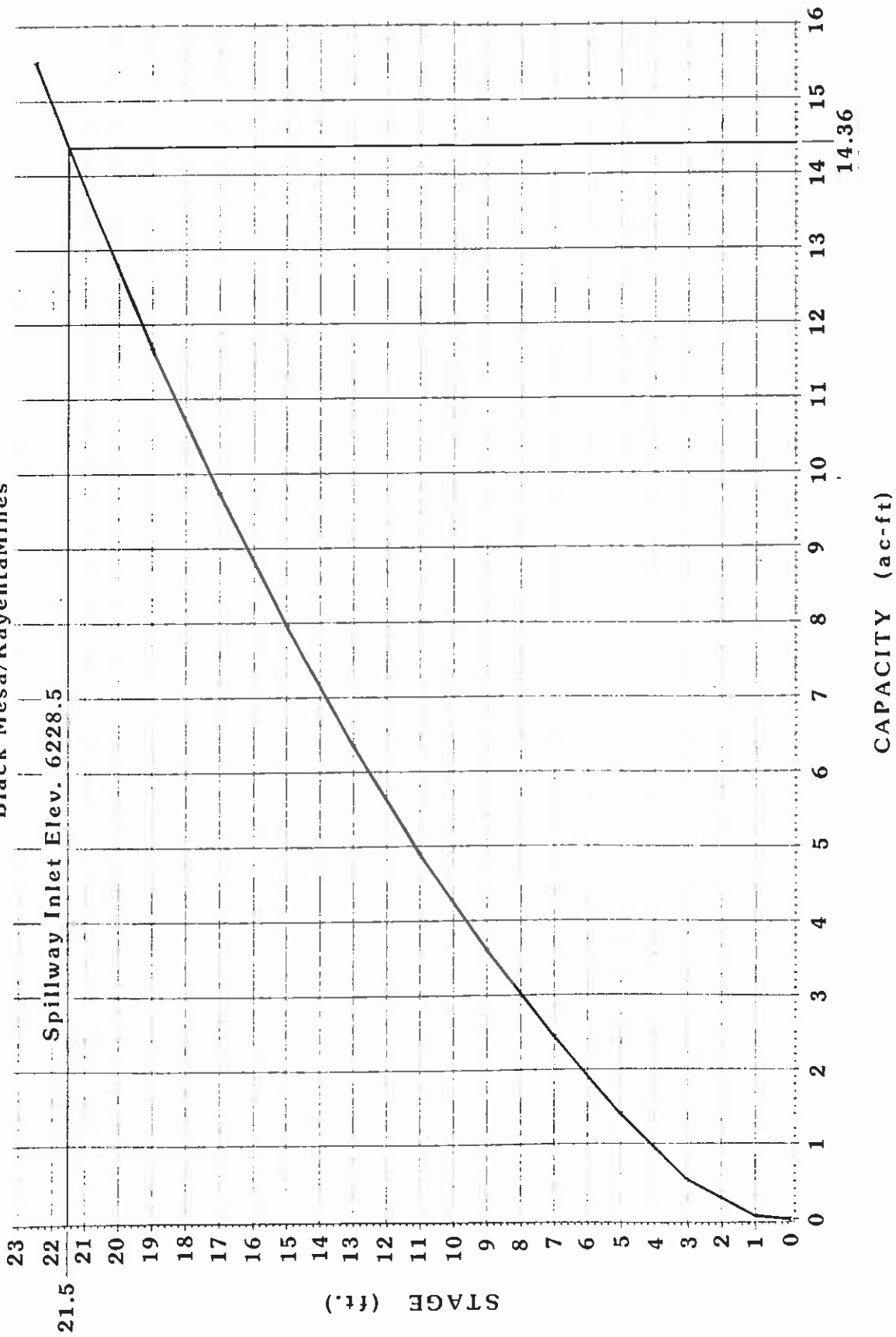
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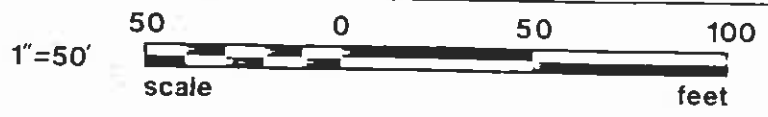
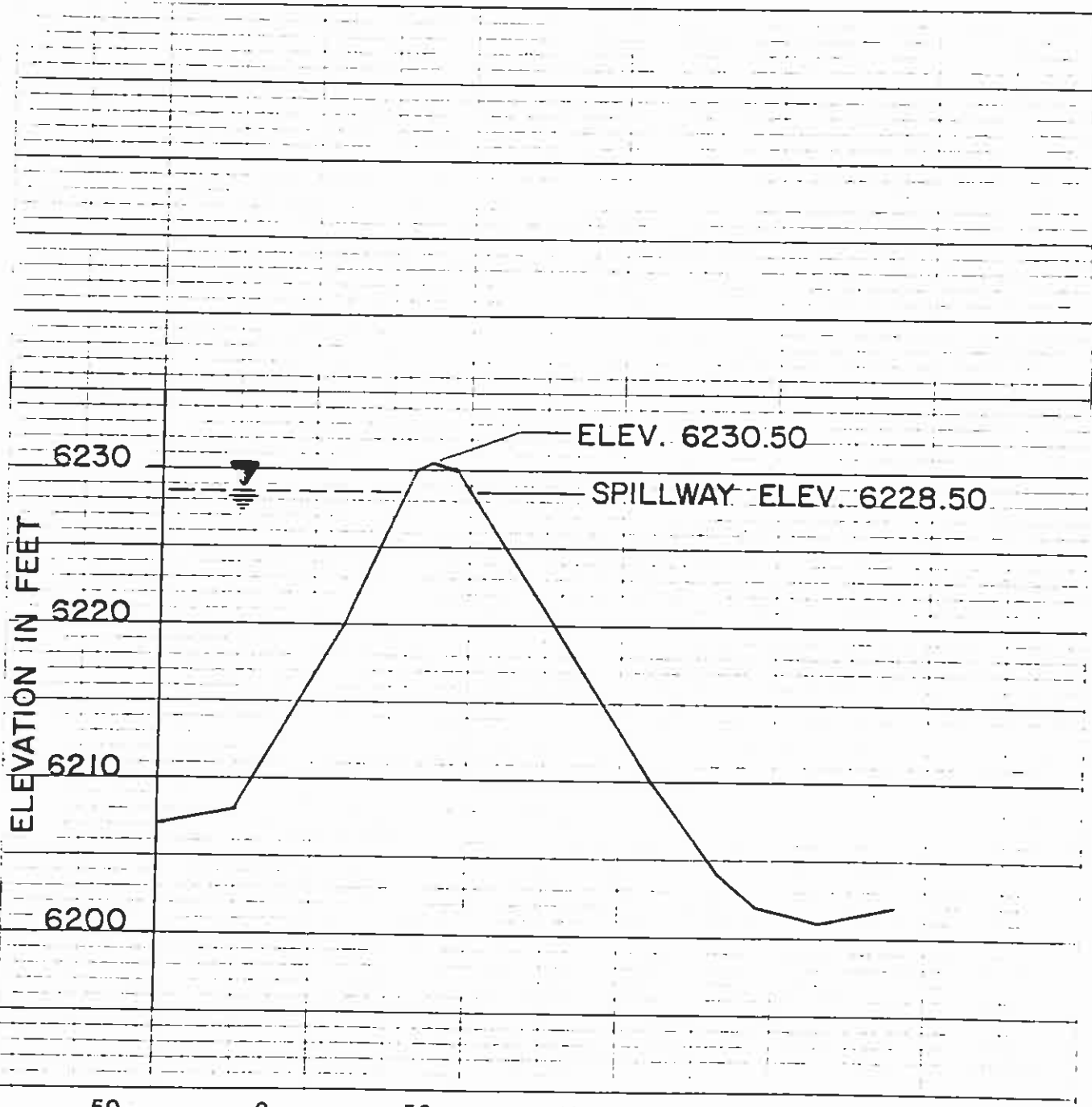
<u>DRAINAGE AREA (ACRES)</u>	<u>COVER TYPE</u>	<u>HYDROLOGIC CONDITION</u>	<u>SOIL TYPE</u>	<u>WEIGHTED CURVE NO.</u>
2,176	DISTURBED	TYPE 1	1	15
/	RECLAIMED	TYPE 1	1	
7	P-5	TYPE 1	1	
2,422	SAGE-GRASS	TYPE 2	2	40
1,772	SAGE-GRASS	TYPE 2	2	40

DRAINAGE BASIN AREA

690 ACRES / 640 = 0.712 SQ. MILES

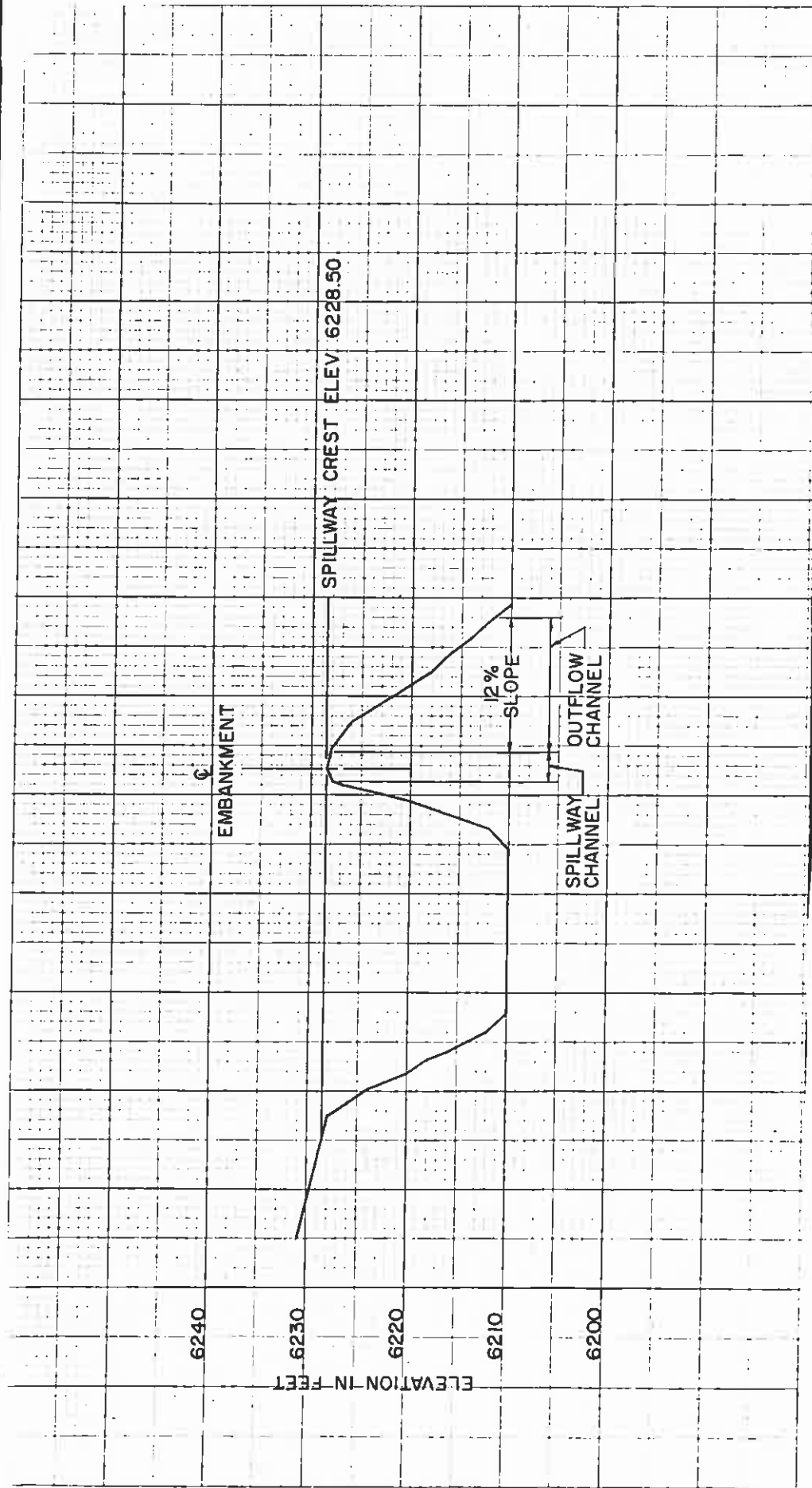
STAGE-CAPACITY CURVE WW-4
 Black Mesa/Kayenta Mines





**MAXIMUM CROSS-SECTION
A-A'
WW-4**

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Plate 3**



CHANNEL PROFILE B-B'

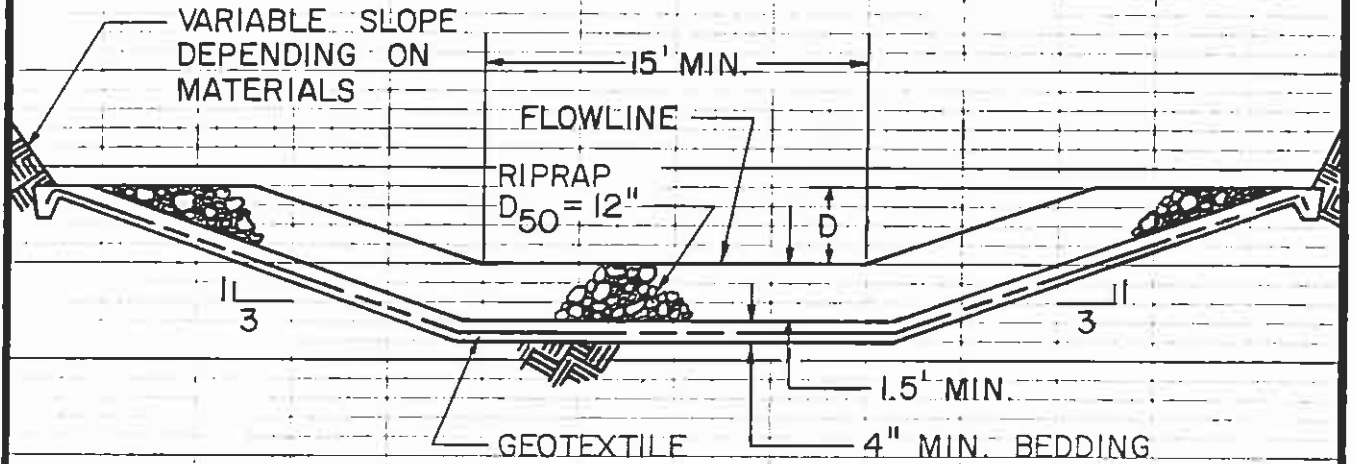
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Plate 4

FOR LOCATION SEE PLATE I

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SPILLWAY CHANNEL

D = 1.7'

LENGTH = 30.0'

FLOWLINE ELEV. = 6228.5

OUTFLOW CHANNEL

D = 1.7'

WW-4
SPILLWAY AND
OUTFLOW CHANNEL
CROSS SECTION

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Plate 5

10 X 10 TO THE INCH • 7.5 X 10.1 X 11.5
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