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FROM UNDERSEEPAGE OR PIPING

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Synopsis

This paper gives the results of an investigation of more than two hundred masonry dams with various kinds of earth foundation, to determine the length of the percolation path necessary to prevent failure from underscience or piping. Based on this study, a new method of analysis of such structures has been developed, which usually permits the use of smaller seepage distances than are ordinarily considered to be safe.

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When a masonry dam is founded on earth, some of the water from the reservoir percolates beneath it and appears on the downstream side. If the velocity of the flow where it emerges is sufficient, particles of the foundation material will be carried away by the water, and thus decrease the resistance to the percolation. The result is an increased velocity and greater erosion, ultimately causing the formation of a channel or "pipe" beneath the dam, which may rapidly enlarge and cause the failure of the structure. This process is known as piping. To prevent piping it is necessary to so design the dam that the velocity of the seepage water as it emerges on the downstream side is insufficient to remove the foundation material. This is accomplished by making the route along which the water may percolate of such a length that the velocity of flow is reduced to a safe value. The investigation described herein was undertaken to determine from data on actual dams the length of the percolation path necessary to insure safety for dams founded on various kinds of material.

Theoretical Considerations

The law of flow of water through earth was determined many years ago in this country by Allen Hazen, M. I. M. Soc. C. E. and in India by Clibborn and Beresford. Their experiments showed that (neglecting temperature effects) the discharge through a column of soil of a given composition varied directly with the head, directly with the cross sectional area and inversely with the length. This relation may be expressed

$$Q = K \frac{HA}{L}$$

where Q is the discharge in second feet, H is the head in feet, A is the cross sectional area in square feet, L is the length in feet and K is a coefficient which depends on the character of the material.

Substituting for Q the value AV , there may be obtained from equation (1) the expression

$$L = K \frac{H}{V} \quad (2)$$

For a given class of material there is a definite maximum velocity, V_m , at which the water can emerge below the dam without carrying away the foundation material and causing the failure of the structure. Combining this value of V_m with K , which also depends on the material, to form a new coefficient C equal to $\frac{K}{V_m}$ the expression

$$L_m = CH$$

is obtained where L_m is the minimum safe length of travel path and C is a coefficient depending on the foundation material.

The foregoing theory seems to be generally accepted. In applying it, two difficulties arise: (1) How shall the length of the travel path L_m be measured? and (2) What value of C can safely be used for various classes of material? Before going further into a discussion of these points it may be well to give the history of the development of this phase of dam design.

Historical

The first rational basis for the design of masonry dams on earth foundations seems to have been developed in India, as a result of the investigations of Col. Clibborn and Mr. Beresford. Col. Clibborn was at one time Executive Engineer in charge of the Rolhikhand Canal Division of the United Provinces, India, where there were a number of dams founded on light sand which had often given trouble. After he became Principal of Thomason College, together with Mr. Beresford, he carried out a classical set of experiments on the law of flow through sand. From these experiments Beresford concluded that the Narora weir on the Ganges River was unsafe, because of excessive upward pressure on the apron, and made a report to that effect. At the time no special trouble had been experienced with the dam, but as a result of this report pressure pipes were placed in the apron to indicate the upward pressure beneath it. The pressure indicated in these pipes confirmed Beresford's conclusions and by coincidence, the next day after the readings were taken (March 29, 1892) the apron at another part of the dam was blown up, resulting in a breach of the weir. The failure of an important structure followed so promptly after the declaration of its instability profoundly impressed the engineers of the United Provinces; and the hydraulic gradient theory of design became generally accepted there about 1892.

The first edition of Bligh's Practical Design of Irrigation Works appeared in 1897 in which the theory was advanced that the stability of a weir on a porous foundation depended upon the weight of the structure and not on the ratio of the percolation distance to the head. In his second edition, published in 1910, Bligh admits the fallacy of his original contentions and explains his well known theory that the safety of masonry dams on earth foundations depended on the length of the percolation path, which was along the line of contact of the structure and its foundation.

This conclusion was also reached independently by Mr. W. M. Griffith about the same time*. The author believes that his paper has not

The Stability of Weir Foundations on Sand and Soil Subject to Hydrostatic Pressure - Proc. Inst. C. E. Vol. 197, Pt. III p. 221, 1913-14.

received the recognition in this country which its value justifies. Before it was published Bligh's second edition appeared, in which he also proposed that idea. The same conclusion seems to have been reached about that time by Mr. W. W. Tefft, M. Am. Soc. C. E., but did not find its way into print. The widespread use of Bligh's book, together with the publication of other articles and books** by him, has led engineers

Dams and Weirs, Bligh.

Dams, Barrages and Weirs on Porous Foundations - Bligh, Eng. News, Vol. 64, 12/29/10 p. 708, Vol. 65 1/12/11 p. 52.

Weirs on Porous Foundations and with Pervious Floors - Eng. News, Vol. 65, 4/13/11 p. 444.

Lessons from the Failure of a Weir and Sluices on Porous Foundations - Eng. News, Vol. 69, 2/6/13 p. 266.

Irrigation Headworks Repair and Dam Failure - Eng. News, Vol. 75, 6/8/16 p. 1070.

generally to give the credit for the idea to Bligh.

In 1911 an article appeared by A. C. König*** giving rules for the design of masonry dams on earth foundations, which contains a number of valuable ideas.

Trans. Am. Soc. C. E., Vol. 73, 1911 p. 175.

Little appeared in literature for many years after these publications to aid the engineer in the practical design of masonry dams on earth foundations, but a number of measurements of upward pressure on actual and model dams have been published from time to time. Recently, methods have been devised for determining the upward pressure and path of percolation for various conditions. One of these is that used by

Terzaghi*, It seems to have been first used for dam foundations by

*Technical Publication No. 215, Am. Inst. Mining & Metallurgical Engineers, p. 31

Forchheimer**, but Mr. Terzaghi's article appears to be the first exala-

**Hydraulic - P. Forchheimer, 1924, p. 448.

nation of this use in English.

By means of a flow net***, the direction of the currents of the

***Hydraulic Laboratory Practice - Freeman, p. 605.

water and the pressure throughout the material beneath the dam can be computed for various assumed conditions. Another interesting method of obtaining the same information has been devised by Prof. N. N. Pavlovsky. He makes use of the similarity of the laws of flow of the electric current through a conductor and the flow of water through soil. As nearly as can be determined from the information available, his method is as follows: A cross section of the porous foundation material in the vicinity of a dam is represented by a thin plate of metal. Impermeable material in the foundation soil, such as sheet piling, cutoff walls of the dam or impermeable soil layers, are introduced by cutting out the metal at that part of the cross section which would represent their position. The upper edge of the sheet corresponding to the portion of the foundation in contact with the headwater, is connected to one pole of an electric battery and that representing the contact with tailwater with the other pole. By observing the potential at various points in the cross section and along the edge corresponding to the base of the dam, and drawing lines of equal potential, the pressure at any point within the material beneath the dam may be determined. By drawing lines representing the direction of flow in the same manner as in the flow net, the direction and relative velocities may be determined. Layers of different permeability may be represented by changing the thickness of various portions of the plate or by using metals of different frictional resistance. With either Terzaghi's or Pavlovsky's methods it is possible to obtain a rigid solution for the given assumptions, and they are very useful in obtaining a picture of the flow of the water beneath the dam. As will be discussed later however, the results obtained, if the ordinary assumptions are used, must be applied to actual cases with caution.

Three interesting and instructive papers have recently appeared, which throw much light on the problem. Two of these are papers of the Punjab Engineering Congress 1930, by A. N. Khosla: No. 138, "Hydraulic Gradients in Subsoil Water Flow in Relation to Stability of Structures Resting on Saturated Soils" and No. 142, "Stability of Tiers and Canal

Works, An Application of the New Theory of Hydraulic Gradient." The third is a paper "On Percolation under Aprons of Irrigation Works" by S. Leliavsky.

Course of the Seepage Beneath a Dam

The path which the water takes in flowing beneath a dam might be determined with reasonable accuracy by either the flow net or electrical methods if all the conditions governing the flow were accurately known. This is never the case however, and for purposes of design certain assumptions have to be made. In his second edition of the Practical Design of Irrigation Works, Bligh proposes an analysis on the assumption that the water follows a path along the line of contact of the dam foundation (including the sheet piling) with the foundation material. The same method was suggested by Griffith. This contact between the dam and the foundation material is sometimes called the line of creep, and the method may be called the line of creep method. Another method which has been advocated to some extent, may be called the short path method, and is based on the assumption that the course taken by the percolating water is the shortest path through the pervious material between the headwater and the tailwater. Neither of these methods gives a true picture of the actual conditions of flow beneath dams, but they are useful methods of practical design. The line of creep method has gained a wide acceptance, and most masonry dams on earth foundations have been designed according to it. It has been used in the irrigation works of the United States Bureau of Reclamation for many years with satisfactory results. The short path theory has been but little used.

In designing a masonry dam on an earth foundation it is customary to assume that the path of the water flowing beneath it is always normal to the axis of the dam. Analyses are therefore made of cross sections of the dam perpendicular to the axis. If the material on which the structure is founded varies along its length, it may be necessary to investigate more than one section. The assumption of normal flow is sufficiently accurate for most conditions. In unusual cases however, a more accurate analysis may be necessary. In analyzing the security of the dam at the abutments, normal flow cannot be assumed.

Comparison of Design Methods

Although the line of creep method has been widely used in dam design, it has been subject to some criticism. Part of this is believed to be due to an improper presentation of the case in its favor. Bligh states that the water follows the line of creep and not the path of least resistance. This statement is believed to be in error, for the

fact that water would take the path of least resistance seems almost axiomatic. If water flows along the line of creep instead of the shorter path directly through the foundation material it is because the resistance to travel along the line of creep is less than the shorter path. That resistance along the line of creep may be less than through the foundation material seems very reasonable, on account of the difficulty of securing an intimate contact between the more or less plain surfaces and the foundation material as between the individual particles of the foundation material.

It should be remembered that the line of creep method is intended to give a dam safe at all points. This requires that it apply to the worst condition that will happen with any reasonable care in construction. The seepage may not follow the creep line at many cross sections of the dam, but the points where there is most danger of failure are likely to be those where contact between the dam and the foundation material is not so close, and therefore where the line of creep method best applies.

The principal weakness of the line of creep theory is that it assumes the resistance to flow along all portions of the contact between the dam and the foundation to be the same. In practice the contact between vertical and steeply sloping surfaces is more likely to be intimate than that along horizontal or slightly sloping surfaces. In a masonry dam on earth foundations there is likely to be unequal settlement which will cause less pressure at some points than at others, in places, even a slight lifting up of the masonry from its contact with the earth beneath. The earth beneath a dam may not be compact, and may settle after the dam is built, leaving void spaces beneath the floor, especially where the dam is founded on piles. This action is sometimes called "roofing."

Another cause of roofing is given by Col. J. C. Oakes*, M. Am.

*Trans. Am. Soc. C. E. Vol. 80, 1916, pp. 469 and 470.

Soc. C. E. as follows: "If the bed of the foundation (of a dam) is below the water level, and pumping is required there will be a small space between the base of the masonry and the sand, caused by erosion by the flow of water from under one block of masonry while the next one is being placed. In other words the structure is ordinarily supported wholly by the piles, with almost a certainty that there will be a space between the sand and the masonry. Under such circumstances any upward pressure that develops under the dam will be uniform from the sheet piling to the toe, and will depend on the tightness of the sheeting and the ease of escape below the dam."---"The writer has watched the placing of concrete, and in no case has he found, on the works under discussion (Ohio River Dams, Nos. 43 and 48) that the concrete rested on the sand after sufficient time had been given it to set. The

bed of the foundations of the various parts of these is about 10 feet below water level. Construction has been carried on within cofferdams, and during stages of the river from low water to 14 feet above it. Owing to the permeable nature of the material, there has always been considerable percolation, which has required pumping to keep the pit sufficiently clear of water to enable construction to proceed. The water escaping from under the concrete already placed, carries away the fine material directly under the concrete, leaving a space between it and the sand through which the transmission of pressure will be direct, and consequently, any pressure which may be developed will be uniformly exerted over the whole base of the structure." A study of the results of upward pressure measurements on actual dams discloses much evidence supporting Col. Oakes' conclusions.

On vertical or steeply sloping faces, piping will not occur as the void spaces, if they should be formed, would be filled again by the inability of the earth to maintain the steep slope; the earth from the steep bank would move down and fill the void. For this reason the contact of the foundation with such surfaces are close and they offer more security against piping than contact beneath horizontal surfaces.

Piping failure should therefore be considered as possible from two largely independent causes: (1) direct percolation through the foundation material itself, and (2) percolation along the contact of the dam and sheet piling with the foundation material. Considerable light on the first of these causes has been obtained by experiment but the latter can only be evaluated by investigating a large number of structures. It is a weakness of the ordinary line of creep theory that it considers only the second of these causes.

Another weakness of the line of creep theory, is that it is possible to drive lines of sheet piling so close together that the short path may be so small that failure can occur by flow which will not follow the path of creep at all.

The weakness of the short path theory is that it takes no account of the greater probability of percolation along the line of contact of the structure and its foundation. In cases where the lines of sheet piling are very close together however, it may be more reliable than the creep theory. The short path principle would seem to be obviously inferior to the line of creep analysis as applied to clay or hardpan foundation, since the foundation material in this case would be so nearly impermeable that the seepage along the line of creep would be much greater. Another difficulty with the short path analysis is that it gives no method of estimating the magnitude or distribution of upward pressure beneath the dam. As some estimate of this pressure is necessary in order to determine the required thickness of the apron, additional assumptions are necessary if the dam is to be designed by the short path theory throughout.

The flow net and electro-hydraulic analogy methods are essentially the same. Both should give the same results for the same assumptions. In his article Terzaghi* does not take into consideration the greater

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probability of percolation along the line of contact. Whether Prof. Pavlovsky does or not is not known. It would be possible to do it by either method, however, by assuming the relative permeability along this line as compared with that through the foundation material.

The weakness of both the flow net and electro-hydraulic analogy methods is the necessity of a detailed knowledge of subsurface conditions and the lack of data relating the results obtained as shown by the flow net to the safe limits for the various classes of material. This will be discussed more at length on page 40.

Nevertheless, the flow net and electro-hydraulic analogy methods may prove to be useful tools in analyzing unusual conditions, and forming a mental picture of what takes place under certain conditions. It is hoped that further studies along this line will be made to clear up some of the problems of design. It is believed that there is a large field for useful experimentation in this field, especially in the determination of the upward pressure to use in design.

The results which would be obtained by the flow net or electrical analysis would roughly correspond in a homogeneous medium to that obtained by the short path method. They both are based on the consideration of flow directly through the foundation material. The short path may therefore be considered as a rough approximation of the flow net or electrical analysis.

A weakness of all of the methods, as ordinarily applied, is that the flow is considered as taking place only in a single plane. This is not necessarily the case however, for as Griffith has pointed out,*

Proceedings, Inst. of C. E. Vol. 197, Pt. III p. 225.

when a pipe tends to form, it provides a line of lowered pressure and water from both sides flows toward it, as well as ^{that} in the plane of the incipient "pipe." Analyzing the stability of a dam by means of its cross section is a useful tool, but one is apt to be blinded to the true conditions by thinking too rigidly in terms of cross section only.

Required Length of Percolation Path

Not only have there been differences of opinion regarding the path along which the percolation should be assumed to occur, but also as regards the length of the path which is necessary to insure safety from piping failure.

As the result of his study of dams and dam failures, Bligh arrived at values of the creep-head ratio which he believed would make dams safe from piping failure. The description of the various classes of material and the values of the ratios varies somewhat in different publications by Bligh. The following table gives the various descriptions and ratios:

Safe Creep-Head Ratios Given by Bligh

Year of publication:-	Publication
River beds of light silt and mud, as the Nile	I : II : III : IV : V 1910 : 1910 : 1915 : 1916 : ?
Fine silt and sand as in the Nile River	18
Very fine sand and silt	18
River beds of light silt and sand of which 60% passes the 100-mesh sieve, as those of the Nile or Mississippi	18
In mud and silt, such as in the Nile	18
Fine micaceous sand as in the Colorado and Himalayan Rivers	15 : 15
Fine sand	15
Fine micaceous sand of which 80% passes a 75-mesh sieve, as in Himalayan Rivers and in such as the Colorado	15
In fine; e.g., Punjab sand	15
Coarse-grained sands, as in Central and South India	12 : 12

	Publications		
	1 : 15	1 : 18	1 : 22
Ordinary coarse sand	:	15	:
Coarse sand	:	18	:
In coarse sand (this is the usual type)	:	18	:
Boulders or shingle and gravel and sand mixed	5 to:	5 to:	5 to:
Gravel and sand	9	9	9
Boulders, gravel and sand	4 to:	4 to:	4 to:
Boulders and gravel	6	6	6
In clay, shale or shingle	4 to:	6	9

Publications

- I The Practical Design of Irrigation Works, 1910, 2nd Ed. p. 165.
- II Dams, Barrages and Weirs on Porous Foundations, Engineering News, Vol. 64, December 29, 1910, p. 708.
- III Lessons from the Failure of a Weir and Sluices on Porous Foundations, Engineering News, Vol. 69, February 6, 1913, p. 266.
- IV Dams and Weirs, 1916, p. 155.
- V Control of Water, Parker, 1916, p. 679. (The original source by Bligh is not given.)

The first three classifications are fairly consistent. A classification of silt by rivers, however, is not a safe procedure as that in the upper reaches is usually much coarser than in the lower. It is not known on what grounds Bligh put the Colorado River in the class with a ratio of 15, as the silt from the lower Colorado is much finer than the sizes given, in fact even finer than those given for a ratio of 18. The classifications for boulders, shingle, gravel and sand differ somewhat, in one case using a minimum ratio of 4 and in another

case 8. The classification, gravel and sand; 9, and boulders, gravel and sand, 4 to 6, is the most useful, since it gives a definite value for gravel and sand without boulders, a common foundation material. It is interesting to note, however, that in his latest publication Bligh does not give a ratio lower than 5. Bligh also stated (Publication III) "that 8 is the very minimum for gravel." The classifications given by Parker are entirely different for the lower ratios and could not be located in available publications by Bligh.

Just how extensive a study of dams was made by Bligh as a basis for his data is not known, but that published is quite meagre. It includes only two dam failures,* both on fine sand foundations, and in

*In a later publication Bligh discusses the failure of the Southern Alberta Land and Irrigation Co. headgate. The published data on this structure is conflicting as to throw serious doubt on the reliability of his conclusion. See Eng. Rec., V. 63, p. 589, V. 66, p. 376, Eng. News, V. 69, p. 266, V. 75, p. 1070.

one or both of these, as will be shown later, unsound conclusions were drawn. There were no dam failures on silt, coarse sand, gravel or boulders. These statements are not made to disparage Bligh's work, which has formed the basis of the design of scores of safe dams, but merely to indicate that it apparently was based on meagre data and that with much more extensive data, and better construction materials, a reduction of Bligh's values of C might be made without conflicting with well established facts.

Griffith gave in an abridged article** the following values of the ratio of creep distance to head which "had been found sufficient to ensure stability" in the United Provinces of India:

**Proceedings, Inst. of C. E., Vol. 197, Pt. III, p. 221.

<u>Material</u>	<u>Limiting Safe Value of C</u>
Fine micaceous sand	14½ to 16
Fine quartz sand	12½ to 14
Coarse quartz sand	10 to 12
Shingle	8***
Boulders	4***

***Griffith states that "the question of loss by leakage may make higher values of L/E advisable in these cases."

In an unpublished portion of this paper he suggested "a 20% reduction in the values given where reliable vertical staunching of 10 foot depth was used."

In the third edition of Bligh's Practical Design of Irrigation Works, (Preface page VI) which was revised and brought up to date by F. F. Woods, Chief Engineer of Irrigation Works, Punjab, India, Mr. Woods contends that Bligh should have used a ratio of 11 for ordinary sand instead of 15. It will thus be seen that both Griffith and Woods advocate somewhat lower values of C than Bligh. The author independently arrived at the same conclusion from a study of the data on most of the dams included in the tables of this paper.

A New Method of Analysis

As has already been pointed out, the existing methods of analysis are open to serious objections. The commonly used method, as advocated by Bligh, does not consider the greater resistance to flow along vertical contacts as compared with horizontal ones. The short path method, and the more exact flow net and electrical methods do not consider the lesser resistance along the contact of the masonry and foundation material as compared with that directly through the foundation material. All these methods have elements of truth but all have weaknesses. A method should be devised which will combine the virtues of both without including their faults.

In the present state of our knowledge the only method of analyzing the probability of failure from flow along the crevay line seems to be a study of the action of actual dams. No exact data has yet been presented to show the relative resistance to the flow along the contacts as compared with that through the foundation material. It will be very difficult to obtain this data because points where danger of flow along the contact is great will only occasionally occur, and could probably be discovered only by very extensive observations. The flow through the foundation material can be obtained with more exactness by experimental methods, but even here the unknown conditions of the foundations and the difficulty in determining the safety of the structure even if the velocity of flow is known, make this method difficult to apply. It seems obvious therefore that while research along this line should be given every encouragement, for a long time in the future the main reliance in dam design must be of a somewhat empirical basis.

As the studies made in connection with this paper indicated faults of the existing methods of analysis, as well as the insufficiency of the factors used in the ordinary methods, the author has attempted to

- work out a more rational method of design, as well as to establish more accurate coefficients. In order to develop a method which could readily be used by the designing engineer in planning actual structures, in addition to the reason given above, the method developed was necessarily a somewhat empirical one.

For clarity in presenting the data on which the author's conclusions are based, it is necessary here to briefly review the basic facts of the new method developed.

From a study of all the available data it appeared that there were two distinct forms of piping, one in which the water passed along the line of contact of the structure and its foundation, as assumed in the Eligh theory, and the other in which it passed directly through the voids in the foundation material. In the former path the contact of the foundation on vertical or steeply inclined surfaces can be counted on to offer more resistance to flow than along horizontal or slightly sloping contacts. In computing the safety of a structure therefore from this type of failure, the creep distances along horizontal or slightly sloping surfaces should be given less weight than those along vertical or steeply inclined surfaces. This method of estimating the stability of a structure may be called the weighted creep method. As a result of these studies a weight of one-third is given to the horizontal or slightly inclined creep as compared with the other portion of the path.

For example, if a dam sustains a head of 10 ft. and has a creep distance along horizontal or slightly inclined surfaces of 60 ft. and along vertical and steeply inclined surfaces of 10 ft., the weighted creep distance would be $60 \times \frac{1}{3}$ plus 10 or 30 ft., and the weighted creep head ratio would be $30 + 10 = 3.0$.

For brevity in the remainder of this paper, creep along vertical or surfaces sloping more than 45° with the horizontal will be called vertical creep, and other surfaces as horizontal creep. It should be noted that "vertical or steeply inclined" refers to the position of the surface against which creep takes place, and not to the direction of the creep, which sometimes is not in the same direction as the inclination of the surface. The weighted creep distance is the vertical creep plus one-third the horizontal creep. The weighted creep distance is therefore practically always less than the creep distance.

As the water follows the line of least resistance, if the resistance to flow along the creep line is much greater than directly through the voids in the foundation material much more water may take the latter course and failure from piping from this cause result. The short path is a rough measure of the resistance along this path. Both the

weighted creep and the short path ratios must therefore be greater than their respective critical values for the type of material on which the dam is founded.

Method of Analysis of Data on Existing Structures

In this study an intensive search was made in all available engineering literature and other sources of information. All masonry or concrete dams on earth foundations were analyzed where the data was sufficiently complete. In many cases there is considerable uncertainty. Where more than one description was found of a single structure there was often a surprising lack of agreement between them.

There is frequently considerable room for the exercise of judgment as to just where the travel path should be assumed to end. The travel path of the water was ordinarily assumed to end at its junction with the riprap downstream from the dam or at a reverse filter. If wooden cribs or loose or articulated concrete blocks were used, it was assumed to end at the upstream edge of these. Although it is true that riprap, cribbing or blocks may assist in preventing piping or a blowout it is believed that less uncertainty is introduced by considering that they do not add to the travel path than to assume that they did.

In checking over the data given by Bligh with that available from other sources, some discrepancies were found. Where the data on some dams indicated that a certain creep-head ratio had been used in design, it was usually not possible to check this exactly from the dimensions of the structure. In order that all the data might be on the same basis, the same method was used throughout, although this might not give the same ratio which the designer of the dam believed he was using. In all cases the author's best judgment was used in determining the most probable values for use in this paper. He would appreciate it if readers of this paper would call his attention to any cases in which his judgment may have been in error.

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1:1 slope. Any contact with a slope of 1:1 or steeper was considered to be a "vertical" contact and at a flatter slope a horizontal contact. In a few cases a puddle or earth fill against a dam rested on top of a portion of the dam masonry. Although this was a horizontal contact, it was assumed to be a "vertical" contact, as the earth would press as closely on the masonry under these conditions as on a vertical surface. There is some evidence to indicate that the contact of puddle with earth is so close that it would be equivalent to vertical creep. In order to be conservative however, this assumption was not made in computing the ratios used in this paper.

In several cases dams have been built with a filling of dry or broken stone beneath them. This would offer much less resistance to seepage than the contact between solid masonry and foundation material. Where the floor above this stone filling has not been vented, to allow the water to escape, the resistance of the creep line along this section has been assumed to be half as great as for solid masonry. This is a conservative estimate from the standpoint of this study, but would not be if used in design. The use of such filling seems to be confined to old dams and is probably a bad practice. In one case it is believed to have contributed to the failure of a structure. In the case of a number of dams of the buttressed concrete type, no floor was provided between the buttresses and the water passing beneath the upstream cutoff could rise in this space and escape thru vents provided in the downstream face of the dam. If these vents were closed, it would have to pass beneath another section of the dam to reach the tailwater. For dams of this type, the distances and ratios for both conditions have been computed altho the shorter creep distance is probably the effective one.

Considerable uncertainty has been introduced in the determination of the creep distance by the presence of weep holes or vents. In determining the distances used in this report, weep holes have not been considered as reducing the creep distance, but a separate analysis of them has been made.

There was sometimes uncertainty as to the head to use in estimating the ratios. In ordinary overfall dams it was measured from the crest of the dam to tailwater elevation, or, if the latter was not given, to the streambed below the dam. If crest gates or flashboards were used, it was measured from their top. The ordinary operating head was used, altho, in some cases, especially movable navigation dams, the structures were no doubt occasionally subjected to greater heads.

Several cases have been found where dams were built on a layer of porous material, such as gravel or sand, which was underlaid by an impervious layer of clay or hardpan, into which the cutoff walls or sheet piling extended. These are not subject to analysis in the ordinary way and therefore the data on them is given without analysis. Masonry

dams on earth where the cutoff was carried to solid rock were not analyzed.

Classification of Foundation Materials

There is a great need of a more accurate and scientific classification of foundation materials than the common terms, gravel, coarse sand, etc. Several classifications on the basis of grain size have been made, but none are entirely satisfactory. One developed by the United States Bureau of Soils^{*} has been extensively used in the classification of soils and of materials of earth dams. For dam foundation

Grouping of Soils on the Basis of Mechanical Analysis, R. O. E. Davis and H. H. Bennett, U. S. Department of Agriculture, Circular No. 419,

materials however it is objectionable as its classifications, clay, fine sand, coarse sand, etc., are much finer material than the engineer has in mind when using these terms. Mechanical analyses of foundation materials could be obtained for only a few dams. Those available are plotted on Figure 1, giving the grain sizes in inches and millimeters, the Bureau of Soils classification, and the size of standard sieves.

Results of Analysis of Existing Structures

The results of the analysis of the weighted creep relations for all structures for which sufficient data could be obtained are given in Tables 1 to 4. The first column gives each dam a number which is useful in identifying it on the figures. The next three columns give the name of the dam, the stream dammed and the state or country in which it is located respectively. The fifth column gives the effective head on the dam, the sixth and seventh columns the vertical and horizontal creep respectively. The eighth gives the weighted creep distance, the horizontal creep having a weight of one-third, and the ninth column gives the weighted creep ratio, or the weighted creep divided by the head. The three following columns give respectively the nature of the foundation material, the source of the information from which the data was secured, and the plate on which the section of the dam is shown.

For those who desire more complete data, Tables 1 to 4 inclusive of Appendix II have been prepared. These give for each dam the plain creep distance and ratio, the reliability of the data on which the figures are based, the results secured with the dam, usually in the nature of a statement of the period of service or date of completion and miscellaneous remarks which give other pertinent information. In regard to the data on "Results," it may be said that for the larger

structures when located in the United States, it is very probable they are still giving reasonably satisfactory results or record of the failure would have been published. Smaller structures in the United States and those in foreign countries are probably still in use, although there is a slight chance that they may have failed.

These results of the weighted creep analysis are shown graphically on Figures 2 to 5 where the weighted creep length is plotted against head on logarithmic paper and lines are drawn showing the various weighted creep head ratios. The failures are indicated by solid dots and the dams which, so far as known, did not fail by piping, are indicated by open circles. Different sections of the same dam, or conditions of the same dam before failure and after repair are shown by dots joined by a line.

The majority of the failures are dams of very poor design, but they serve to show approximately the limits of good design. Well designed dams rarely fail, but more lessons can be learned from failures than successes. Some well known failures are not included because the data is insufficient or too conflicting to permit reliable conclusions. These include the Hauser Lake Dam, Missouri River, the Grand Barrage on the Nile and the Southern Alberta Land and Irrigation Company head-gates.

Several cases were found where the data is so complex that it is difficult to analyze. This was the case in the Altona and Upper Alameda Creek Dams; the dam in the Scioto River at Columbus, Ohio; that on the Guadalupe River in Texas and the Sacramento weir.

Additional data on the reliability of the data on the various structures, the length of the period of service and other pertinent information, is given in Appendix II. Where the conditions could not adequately be covered in a table, a more complete statement is given in Appendix III. Cross sections of the dams analyzed are given in Plates I to XXXII of Appendix IV.

Important Facts Shown by Experience with Existing Dams

A study of all the available records of percolation distances of existing masonry dams on earth foundations, and those which have failed from piping brings out three very important facts. These facts are (1) that several dams have failed from piping with percolation distances which judged by the ordinary standards should be safe, (2) that many dams have stood successfully with percolation distances much less than previously recommended (3) that the dams which failed had very little of their creep paths along vertical or steeply sloping surfaces, while those which stood with much smaller distances had a considerable proportion of such creep.

Failures have occurred with creep distances which ordinary standards would consider safe in the case of the Kulli Dam, Kulli Bye-Wash and the Deocha Barrage. The first two of these were founded on fine sand and failed with creep-head ratios of between 14 and 16. For fine sand Bligh recommends a ratio of 15 and Griffith 14 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 14 for fine micaceous sand and 12 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 14 for fine quartz sand. The Deocha Barrage on fine sand was threatened with a creep-head ratio of 17 and finally failed with a piping path with length at least 26.6 times the head. None of these structures had vertical cutoffs.

The second fact is based on the data on dams given in the following table, which shows that much lower ratios than recommended by Bligh or Griffith have been successfully used. As Bligh and Griffith do not give ratios for material of the exact description of that existing at some of these dams, the author has used his best judgment in estimating from the classifications they did give what they would have probably recommended.

on basis of Bligh methodology

Dam	Material	Creep Ratio	Head (approximate)	Recommended Ratios	Actual Ratio in Bligh : Griffith	% of Recommended	Bligh : Griffith
Dam No. 48 Ohio River	Very fine sand	13.2	18	11.6 to 12.8	73	103 to 113	
Dam No. 47 Ohio River	Sand, very fine to medium, a little fine gravel	13.5	18	11.6 to 12.8	75	105 to 116	
Barre Mass	Fine sand & silt	8.0	18	11.6 to 12.8	44	62 to 89	
Iron Mountain	Fine sand	8.8	15	10 to 11.2	57	77 to 86	
Riverdale	Coarse sand	4.2	12	5 to 9.6	35	44 to 52	
Prairie du Sac	Coarse sand	4.3	12	2 to 9.6	36	45 to 54	
Columbia	Coarse sand	6.2	12	8 to 9.6	52	65 to 77	
Dam No. 1, Big Sunflower Riv.	Sand with a little clay, gravel and clayey sand	4.0	12	8 to 9.6	33	41 to 50	
Tunuyan Weir	Sand & gravel	6.0	9	6.4	66	94	
Grunite Roef	Gravel and boulders	3.2	5 to 9	4.8	36 to 64	66	
Walkill N.Y.	Gravel and boulders	2.6	5 to 9	4.8	30 to 52	54	
Oswegatchie R.	Sand and boulders	3.6	5 to 9	6.4	40 to 72	54	
Piedmont	Boulders	2.7	4	5.2	68	85	

*These values include the reduction for vertical stanchioning.

Considering the three failures before mentioned where the creep distances were substantially equal to the recommended values with the ratios in the preceding table where the ratios are much less than recommended, it is a very significant fact that the group which failed had nearly all the creep distance horizontal and the latter had substantial portions of their percolation distances along vertical or steeply sloping surfaces. In fact, not a single case was found where piping unquestionably took place under a deep cutoff, and only one case, the Flederborn Dam, in which it may have. The data on this failure is so incomplete that the piping may have been behind the abutments, rather than under the dam, but even if it was under the dam it probably took place at ratios much less than recommended in this paper and certainly at ratios somewhat less. The failures of the Coon Rapids and Plattsburg Dams were apparently due to defective construction and the Pittsfield Dam to a blowout directly through the foundation material from a porous layer beneath the impervious layer on which the dam was founded and not along the line of creep.

The logical conclusion from these facts is that in the design of masonry dams on earth foundations greater weight should be given to the creep along vertical or steeply sloping surfaces than along horizontal or slightly sloping ones. This has lead the author to the development of the weighted creep analysis of existing dams and dam failures.

Origin of the Weighted Creep Analysis

The author's attention was first directed to the greater value of vertical creep by the difficulty of explaining the stability of the Prairie du Sac Dam with its extremely low plain creep ratio of 4.3 on a coarse sand foundation. The evidence from one structure however was not sufficient to justify a general conclusion.

Frequently when one forms a correct impression and thoroughly studies the literature of the subject he finds the same idea expressed by others. There are few absolutely unique ideas in engineering. The idea apparently was first expressed by Mr. W. M. Griffith, who suggested in his abridged paper that a reduction could be made in his suggested creep head values for reliable vertical strunching. He explains the greater effectiveness of vertical creep as follows: "First, the line of crop is subject to a greater pressure where carried to a greater depth; secondly, at the greater depth larger and heavier sand will probably be met; and thirdly, sand carried out must be lifted up the curtain wall, presumably requiring greater velocity of percolation." Mr. Griffith kindly gave the author data on the Kulli Dam and Kulli Bye Wash and expressed his present conviction that the creep head ratios he gave were probably too low unless some vertical strunching was used.

The author's explanation for the difference seems to have been independently reached by Mr. A. J. Musto*.

Punjab Engineering Congress 1930, paper No. 142, p. 2121.

The effect of sheet piling in reducing upward pressure and cutting down the flow through the voids in the foundation material has been discussed at length by Khosla and Leliavsky. Both seem to have reached the conclusion that such piling reduces the pressure by a greater amount per unit of contact length than horizontal creep.

Relative Weights of Vertical and Horizontal Creep

The proper relative weight to give to vertical and horizontal creep can be determined only by analysis of actual dams, although some light may be thrown on it by an analysis of observation of upward pressure on actual dams. While the results of the analyses of all available data on percolation distances of dams does show conclusively that the horizontal creep distance is not as effective in resisting piping as vertical creep distance, it does not indicate exactly what their relative effectivenesses are. Although several dams without appreciable vertical creep have failed with distances normally considered sound, no failures were found with considerable vertical creep except at ratios much less than ordinarily considered safe and therefore the upper limit of weight must remain uncertain.

A careful study of the upward pressure measurements on the Parcha**, Island Park**, Pinhook* and Narora***weirs shows that the drop in upward

* Trans. Am. Soc. C. E. Vol. 93, 1929, p. 1717.

** Punjab Engineering Congress, Paper No. 142, plate II.

pressure along horizontal concrete surfaces is almost zero, and along a puddle surface somewhat more, indicating that for horizontal concrete surfaces the ratio might be as low as zero. It does not necessarily follow, however, that the safe ratio for horizontal creep in considering piping failure is the same as in considering upward pressure. More study along this line is very desirable.

In arriving at the decision to use a weight of one-third for horizontal creep the author listed all the structures having creep distances below or near what might be considered the lowest safe limit, together with the material upon which they were founded and the weighted creeps for each, with weights for horizontal creep of 0.3 and 0.3³. At the same time a table was made of the weighted creep ratios which the results of analysis of actual dams indicated to be safe for the various creep ratios.

In view of the uncertainty as to how low a ratio to use for horizontal creep, the author believes it is advisable to be conservative. As the present use of unity for this weight has usually produced safe structures (although frequently unnecessarily conservative) it is undesirable to depart too far from the present standards until data definitely establishing the safety of the new ones is available. The author therefore recommends a weight of one-third for the horizontal creep, although there is considerable data to indicate that a higher ratio might be better.

SUMMARY OF FAILING WEIGHTED CREEP RATIOS

The following tables give a summary of the weighted creep ratios for structures which throw most light on the limits of safety against failure from piping along the creep line:

Serial No.	Dam	Foundation Material Base on Clay or Hardpan	Wtd Creep Ratios Rat. of Hor. Creep Wt.
1	Woodard (Failed)	Hard material, probably hardpan	0.9
2	Dolgarrog (Failed)	Hard blue clay	0.8
3	Fergus Falls (Failed)	Hardpan	1.1
10	French Landing	Clay	1.6
11	Dolgarrog (Standing portion)	Hard blue clay	1.8
12	Marysville	Firm clay with boulders	2.1
14	Kettle Creek	Very hard clay	1.7
20	Whiting Street	Very compact gravelly hardpan	1.5
21	North Diversion	Clay with considerable firmly embedded gravelly hardpan	0.45
36	Edenville Plant	Clay, gravel and very hard hardpan	2.0
38	Sanford Plant	Clay, gravel and hardpan	2.1
39	Secords Plant	Clay, gravel & hardpan	2.0
40	Smallwood Plant	Clay, gravel & hardpan	1.8
41	Tobacco Plant	Clay, gravel & hardpan	1.8
42	Burton Dam	Gravel & hardpan	1.7
43	Black River Storage Dam	Clay	2.2
47	Lake St. Francis Bulkhead Section Spillway Section	Stiff clay with small boulders and gravel	1.7 2.1
50	Baltic Main Dam	Clay and gravel	1.4
51	Baltic Side Dam	Clay and gravel	1.65
56	Logan, Utah	Clay, sand and gravel	1.4
59	New London, Conn.	Clay and gravel	1.5
65	St. Paul, Minn.	Clay with 50% sand and gravel	0.75

		Foundation Material	Wt'd Creep Ratio Wt. of Hr. Creep H/3
		Dams on Gravel, Pebbles and Boulders	
1	Montes (Failed)	Sand and gravel	5.67
2	Court Angeles (Failed)	Gravel, small grit or coarse sand	1.3
3	Mattsburg (Failed)	Boulders, fine gravel and sand	2.8
29	Pinhook	Sand and gravel	3.5
33	Ridmond	Gravel and sand	3.3
26	Puentes (Failed)	Sand and gravel	2.0
41	Boise Intake	Very compact gravel and cobbles	1.9
45	Oswegatchie R.	Sand and glacial boulders	2.6
49	Granite Reef	Gravel and boulders	2.8
54	Avignon	Gravel	2.7
66	Flint River, Ga.	Broken limestone	2.7
68	Piedmont, W. Va.	Boulders	1.9
73	Stamford, Conn.	Sand and gravel	2.5
75	Woodstock, Ver.	Loose gravel	2.2
76	Walkill, N. Y.	Boulders and gravel	1.3

		Dams on Coarse Sand	
1	Fleiderborn (Failed)	Sharp sand	3.4
13	Riverdale	Torpedo sand	2.5
15	Godavery	Coarse sand	8.0
18	Big Sunflower Dam No. 1	Sand with a little clay and gravel	6.6
20	Prairie du Sac Power house	Pure coarse sand do	6.5
	Dam (Vents open)	do	3.7
	Dam (Total creep)	do	4.8
21	Columbia	Coarse sand	2.8
22	Crawford	Coarse sand	1.0
23	Gloucester	Coarse sand	2.3
24	Camp Humphreys	Coarse sand to gravel	5.5

Table & Dam No.:	Dam	Foundation Material	Wt'd Creep Ratio Wt.of Hor.Creep H/S
Table 4		Dams on Sand, Fine Sand and Silt	
Dam No.			
1	Narora (Failed)		
	Probable	Fine sand	4.7
	Possible	Fine sand	2.8
	Not over	Fine sand	5.9
2	Khanki (Failed)	Fine sand	4.2
3	Corpus Christi (Failed)	Sand	2.1
4	Decha (Failed)	Fine sand	6.9
11	Nadral Escape Fall	Light sandy soil	2.9
12	Park Dam	Quicksand & gravel	1.5 1.9
23	Islam Weir	Sand	7.6
25	Khanki (Reconstructed)	Fine sand	7.7
30	Narora (Reconstructed)	Fine sand	8.2
31	Nadral Escape Fall	Light sandy soil	3.9
37	Zifta	Running sand and mud	8.1
49	Iron Mountain	Fine sand	5.5
56	Mottville Plant	Quicksand	4.6
57	Village of Lowell	Sand	4.5
58	Village of Bellaire	Fine, clean sand	2.0
59	Akron, Ohio	Sand and silt	4.2
67	Anadarko, Okla.	Sand	3.1
61	Barre, Mass	Sand, fine sand & silt	2.8 4.8
62	Miami, Ohio	Sandy silt	4.1
63	Oklahoma Diversion Dam	Sand and shale	6.3

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Suggested Weighted Creep Ratios

In the following table are given the weighted creep ratios which the analysis of all available data from existing structures and particularly those in the above tables indicate as necessary for safety against failure from piping along the contact of the structure and its foundation. In order to use these values with safety the cutoffs must be of solid masonry built in contact with the earth sides of the trench or of interlocking steel or concrete piling driven so that the interlock is not broken, and satisfactorily embedded at the top in the masonry structure. They also assume competent supervision during construction and efficient maintenance afterward. These values are for major structures. Somewhat smaller values may be used for less important structures, ranging down to perhaps 80 per cent of those given for those of minor importance.

There are so many types of foundation material that it is impossible to give values for all. Only the usual types are therefore given and the other conditions can be determined by comparison with these.

Weight of Horizontal Creep 1/3

Very fine sand or silt	8.5
Fine sand	7.0
Medium sand	6.0
Coarse sand	5.0
Fine gravel	4.0
Medium gravel	3.5
Coarse gravel including cobbles	3.0
Boulders with some cobbles and gravel	2.5
Soft clay	3.0
Medium clay	2.0
Hard clay	1.8
Very hard clay or hardpan	1.6

The values for medium sand and soft clay are somewhat uncertain as no record was found of dams founded on these materials. If the requirements of bearing pressures can be met, the values given would seem to be sufficiently conservative.

Recommended Values are Conservative

The recommended values have intentionally been made quite conservative. Not a single failure was found where the dam had creep head ratios as large as those given. It is possible that future experience

year, and the grouted riprap at the end of this apron was blown up and piping proceeded until the whole structure collapsed. Considering creep under the rubble apron as vertical creep, the weighted creep distance to the point of blowout was 58 feet, giving a weighted creep head ratio of 2.9. The corresponding plain creep and short-path distances and ratios are 109, 84 and 5.5, 4.2 respectively.

Leasburg Dam

The Leasburg Dam was built in 1907. It was founded on sand, about 10 feet below the surface of which there were many boulders. There was a row of 20 ft. triple lap wooden sheet piling along both upstream and downstream edges. On account of the boulders, it was not possible to drive the sheet piling with close joints throughout. Between the sheet piling were round piles 4 feet on centers. A layer of 4" of broken stone was placed beneath the dam and a reverse filter was placed just upstream from the lower row of piling and discharged thru the concrete, by passing the sheet piling, thru 2-inch pipes at about 4 ft. intervals. There was a flow of hot water up thru the foundation material.

The dam crossed the river channel and extended part way across the higher bottom land. When floods came the water came down the river channel and then spread out to go over the crest of the dam. This gave a higher head near the river channel which caused flow along the upstream face of the crest, causing deep scour. This uncovered the gaps in the sheet piles and possibly scoured below them. Piping developed but the dam did not collapse as it was supported on the piles. It was repaired by throwing riprap and brush on the upstream side where the water had piped thru, which stopped the leaks and allowed the basin upstream to silt up. The dam has been in service since 1906.

Dam on Clay Underlaid by Pervious Materials

Nathaura Escape Head, Sarda Canal, United Provinces, India

The foundation of this structure was excavated in a thick layer of clay underlaid with sand, which in turn was probably underlain with a lower stratum of clay. The floor level was nearly to the bottom of the clay layer. It seems to have been designed for a creep head ratio of about 13 and had no sheet piling cutoff and very little vertical creep. The sand layer carried water under pressure, the spring level being about 5 feet above the downstream escape floor. A strong spring developed downstream which functioned even when the canal was

closed. After throwing up a sand crater it appeared to stop removing foundation material. A water cushion three feet deep was maintained over it and later disappeared. With a head of 7.5 foot, giving a creop head ratio of about 17, the structure failed suddenly from undermining.

The immediate cause of this failure is somewhat obscure. It is probable however, that the pressure built up beneath the clay layer downstream from the structure until it suddenly raised a considerable area of it, breaking the contact with the downstream apron of the structure and permitting the water within the sand layer to escape. With the sudden release in pressure, the sand changed to a dilatant state (see page 1) and was rapidly washed out from beneath the structure, until a channel formed beneath the structure and undermined it.

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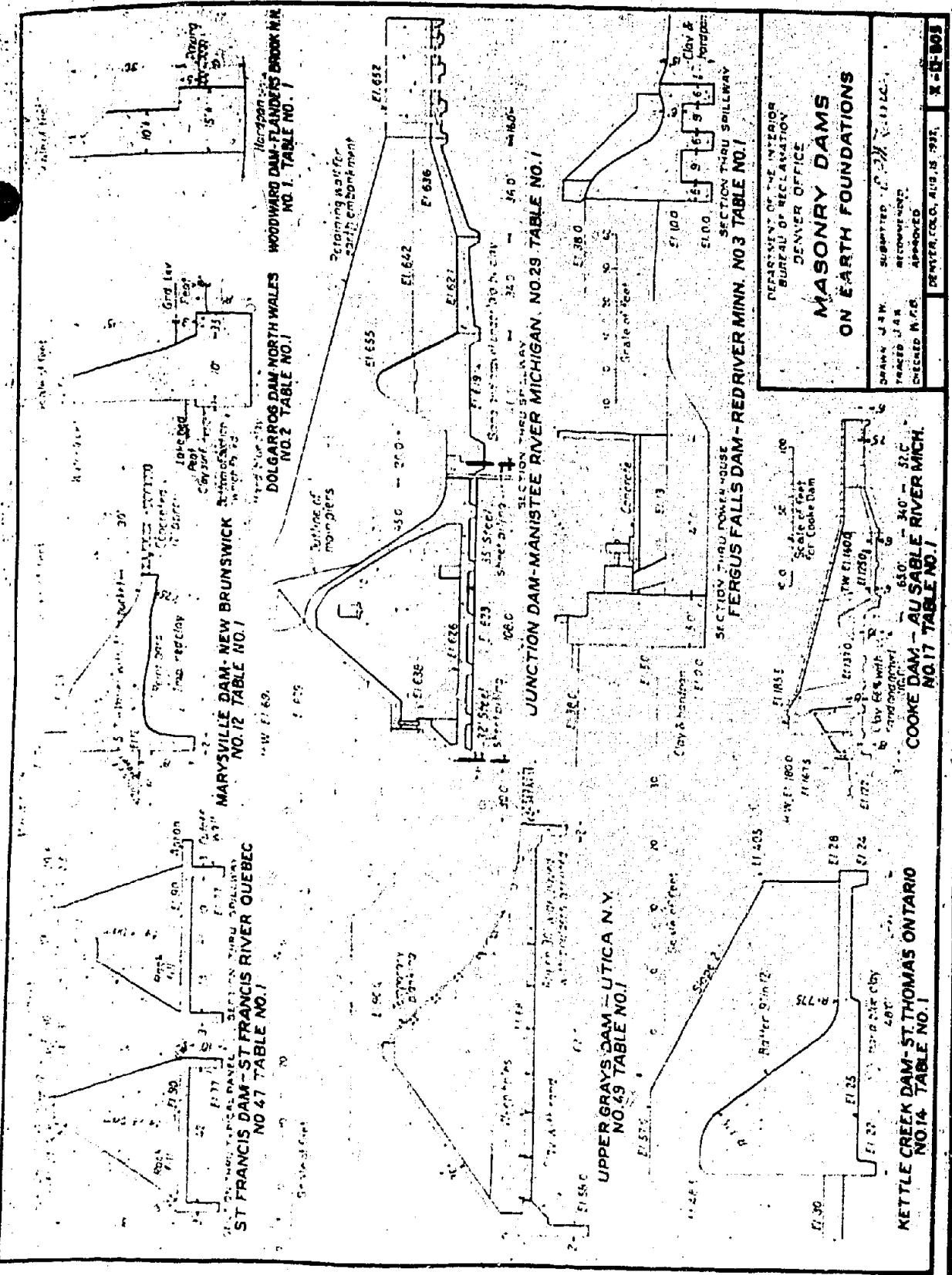
APPENDIX III
PLAIN CREEP AND SHORT PATH RATIOS

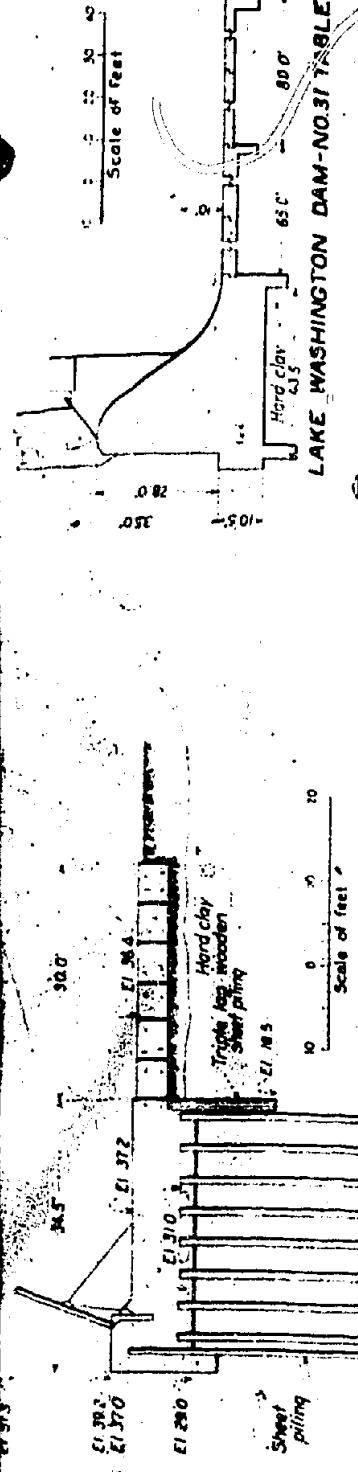
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Family Sheet																				
1	John Doe	30	M	Married	Engineer	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: Jane Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	High School Diploma	Software Development Company	Gardening	Reading	Traveling	None	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$150,000	\$100,000	\$50,000	\$50,000
2	Jane Doe	28	F	Married	Homemaker	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	High School Diploma	Software Development Company	Gardening	Reading	Traveling	None	\$50,000	\$20,000	\$70,000	\$50,000	\$20,000	\$30,000
3	Emily Doe	10	F	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Elementary School	Private School	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
4	Michael Doe	8	M	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Elementary School	Private School	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$15,000	\$10,000	\$5,000	\$10,000
5	John Doe Jr.	5	M	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
6	Jane Doe Jr.	4	F	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
7	John Doe III	2	M	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
8	Jane Doe III	1	F	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
9	John Doe IV	0	M	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
10	Jane Doe IV	0	F	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
11	John Doe V	0	M	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
12	Jane Doe V	0	F	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
13	John Doe VI	0	M	Child	Student	123 Main St, Anytown, USA	Spouse: John Doe Daughter: Emily (10) Son: Michael (8)	Good	Preschool	Daycare	Reading	Coloring	Swimming	None	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$7,500	\$5,000	\$2,500	\$5,000
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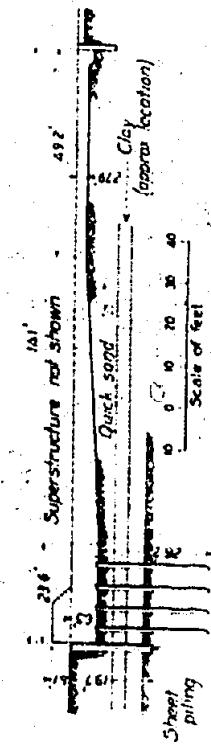
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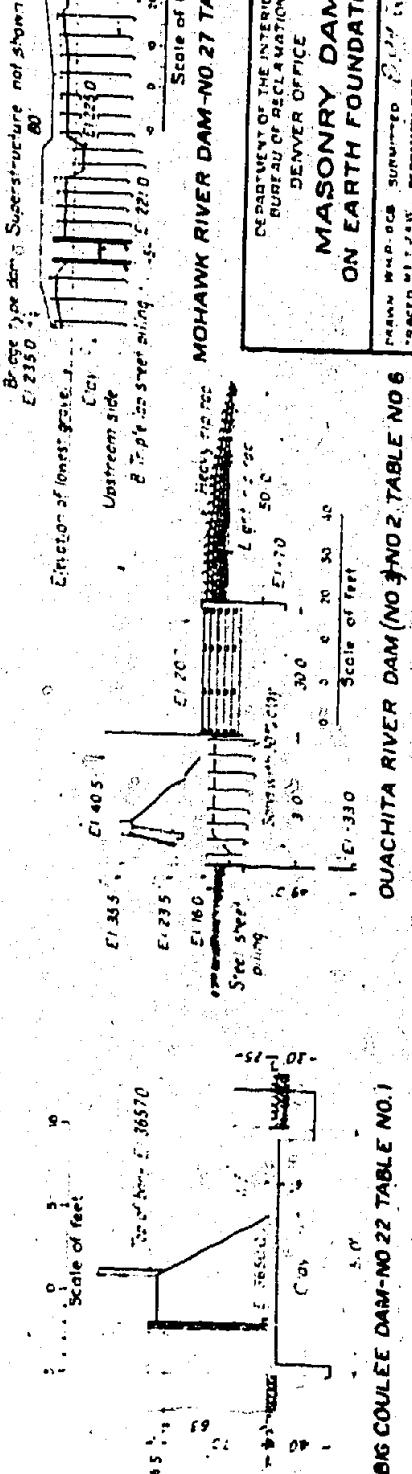




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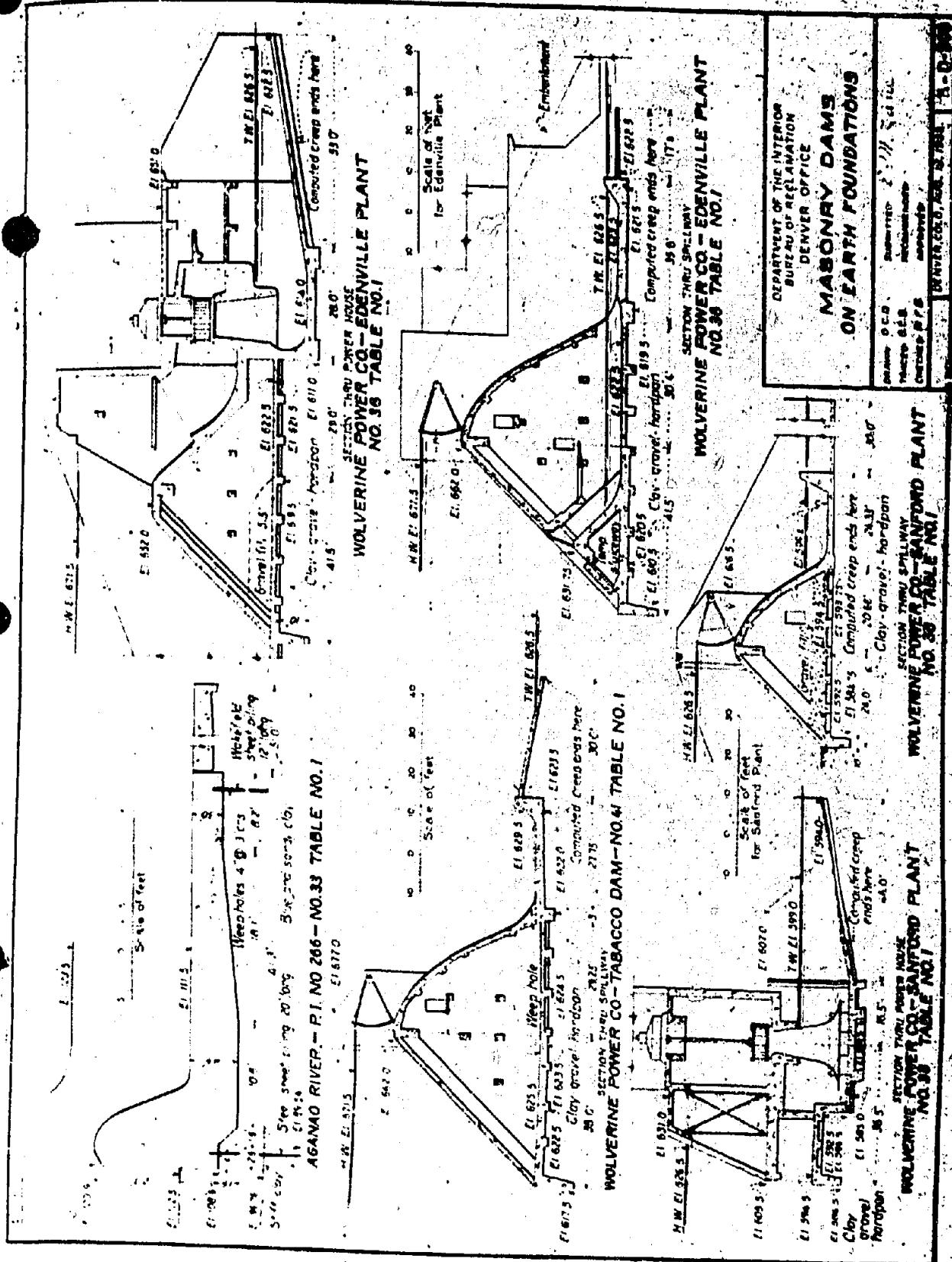
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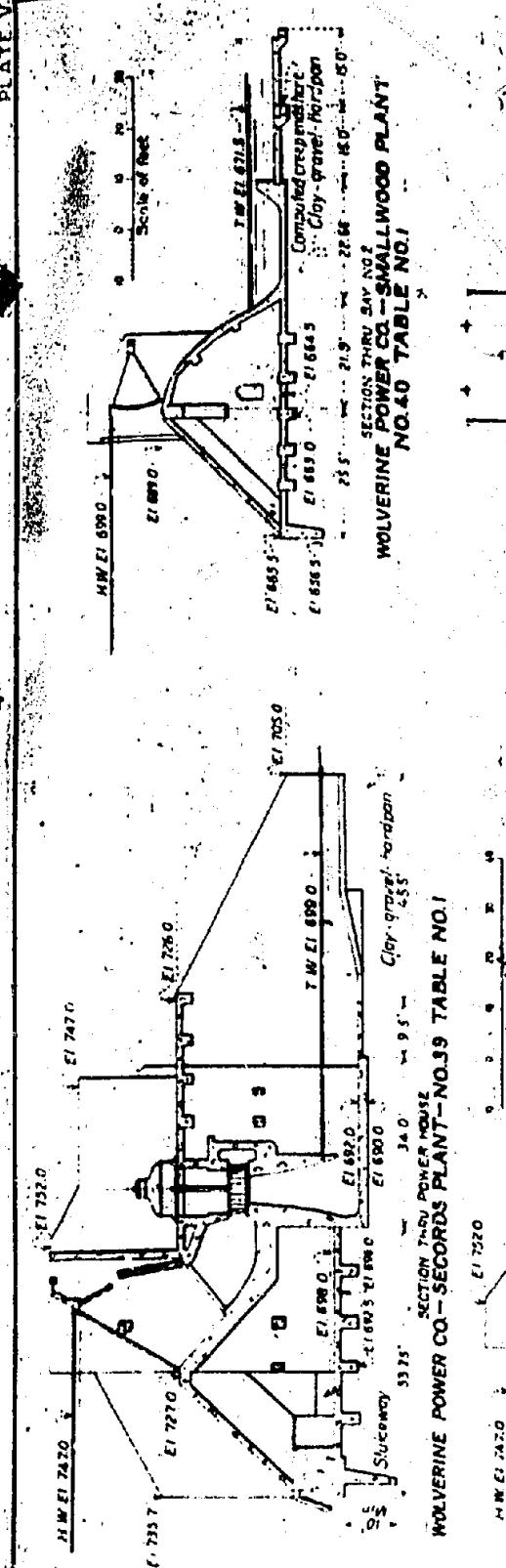
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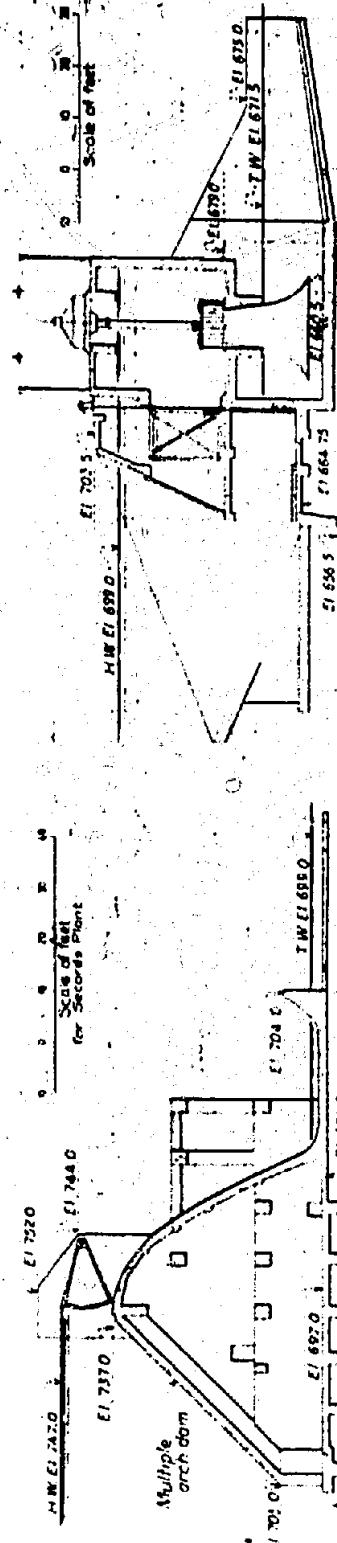
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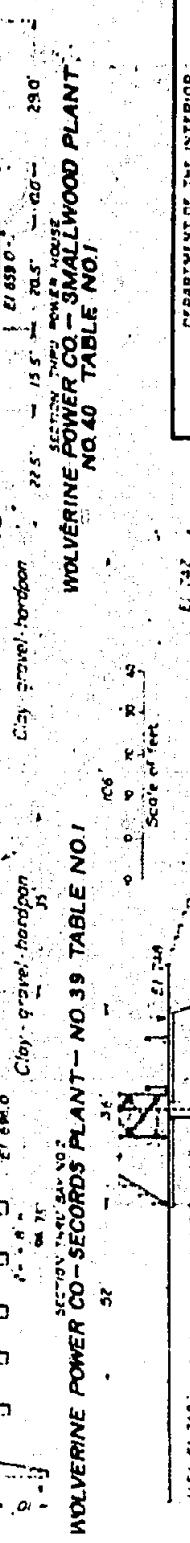
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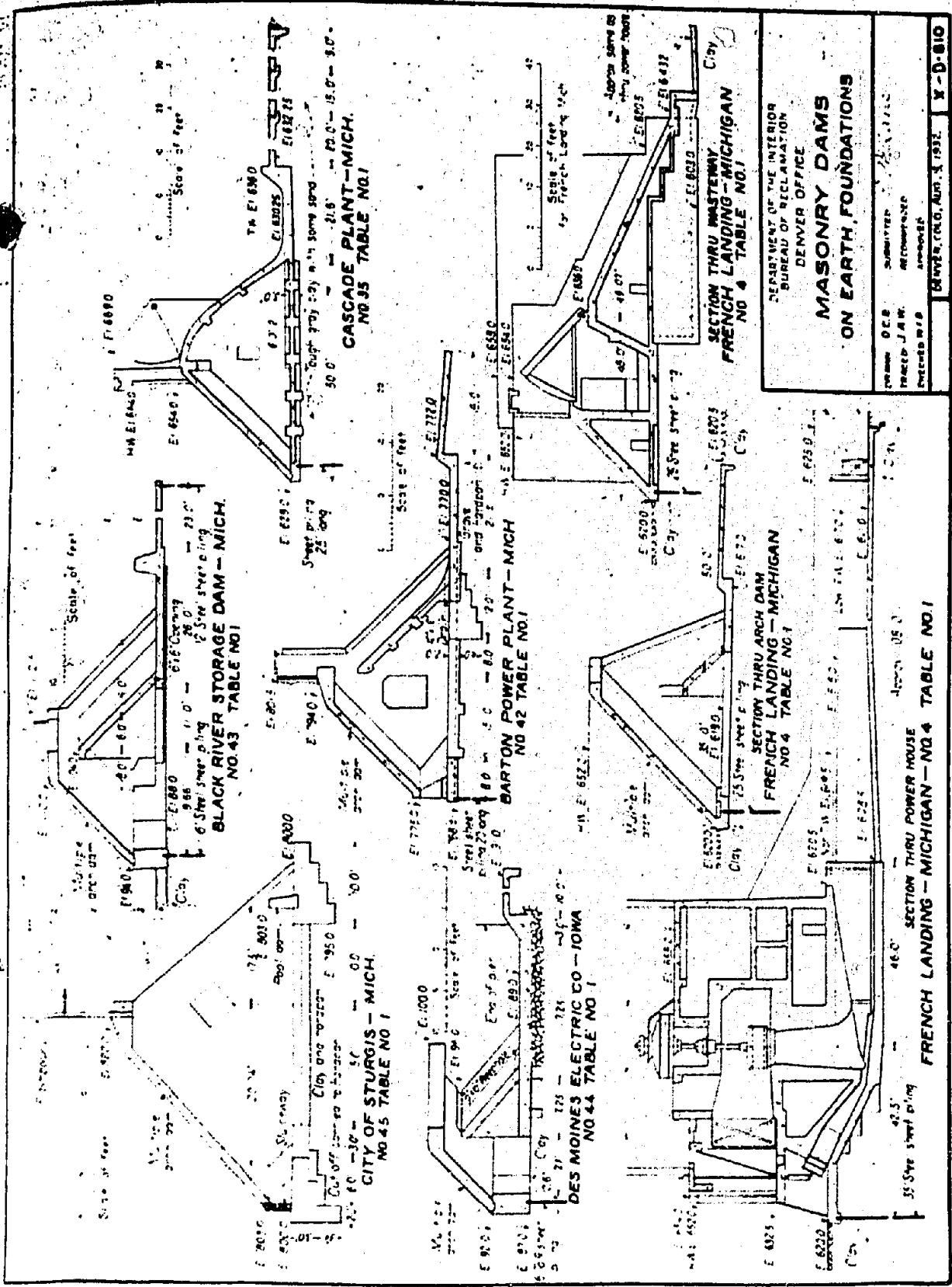
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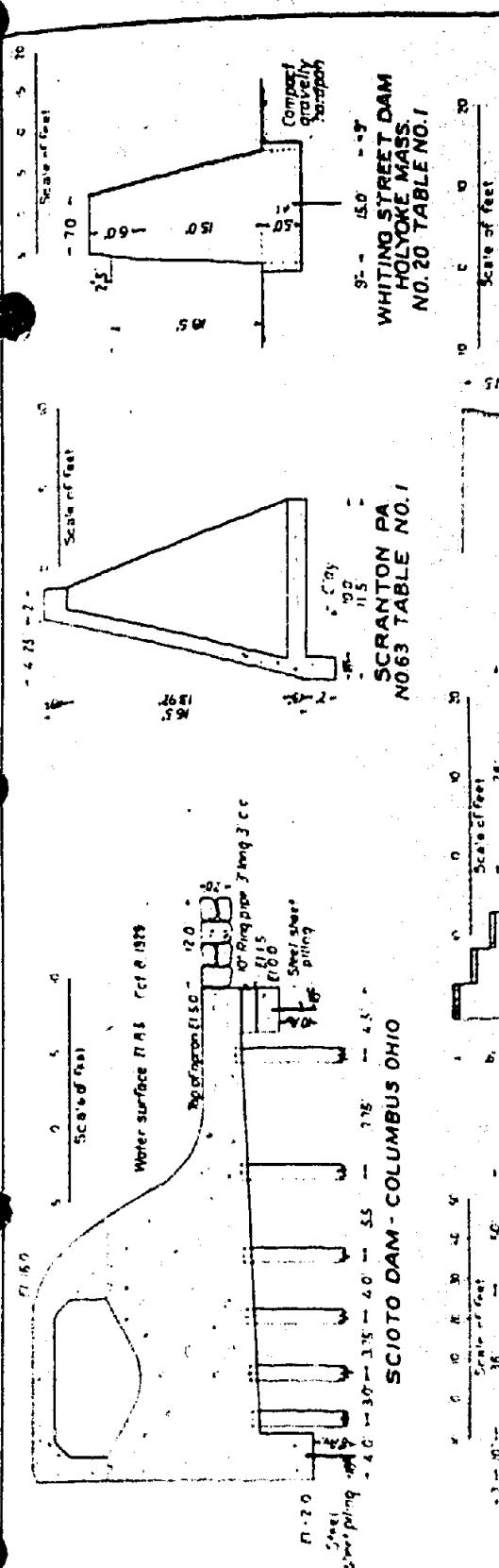
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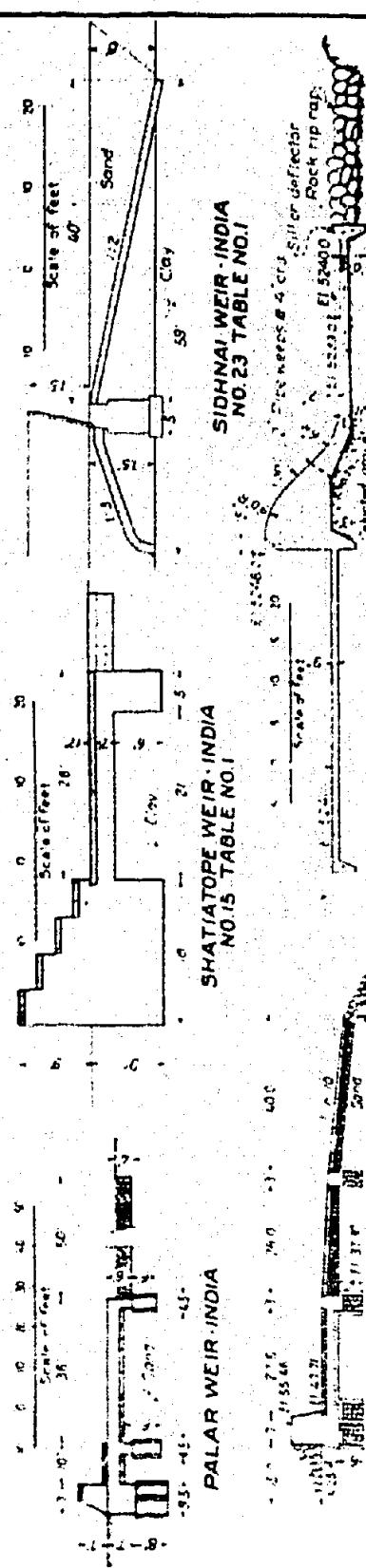
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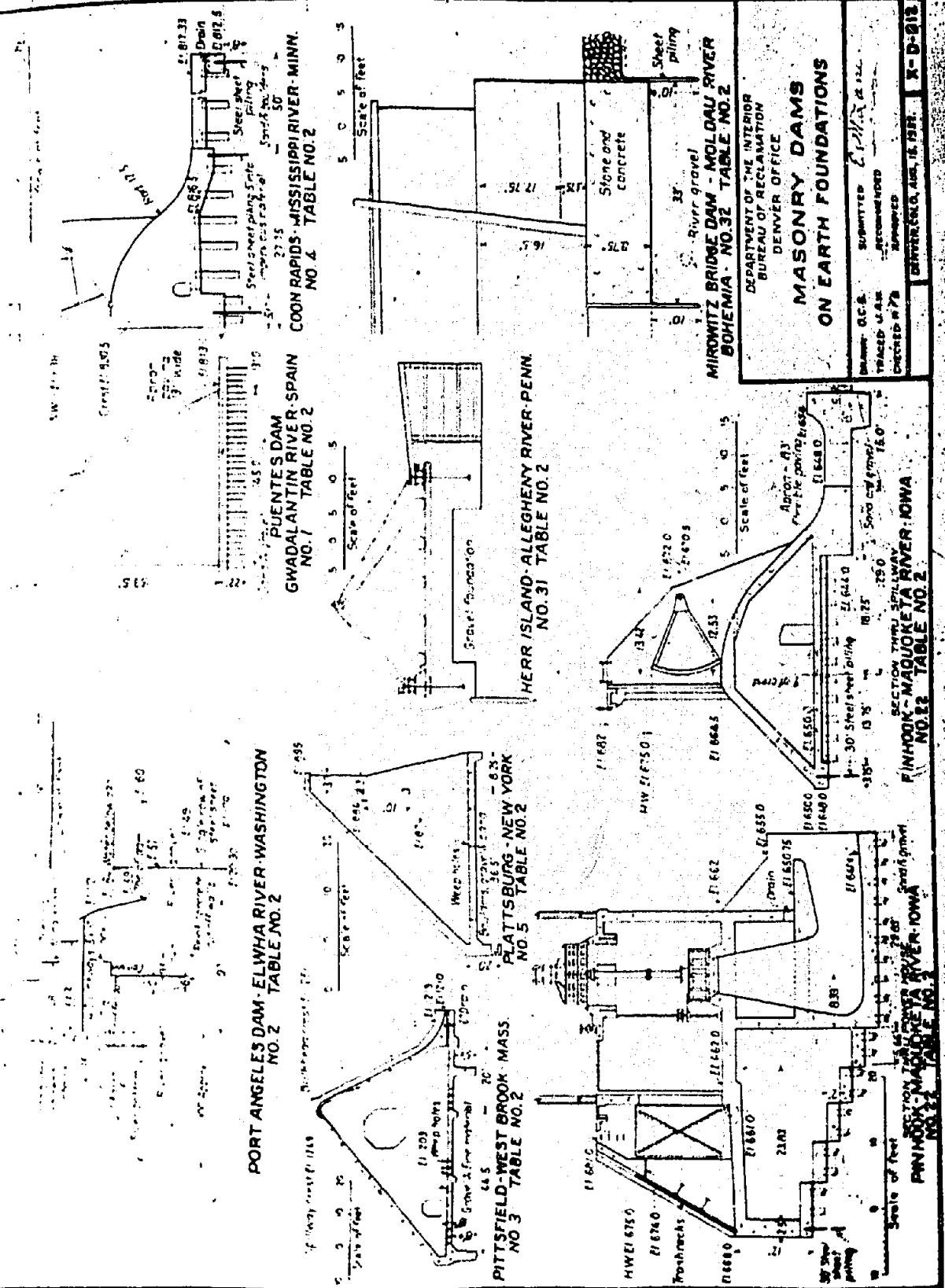
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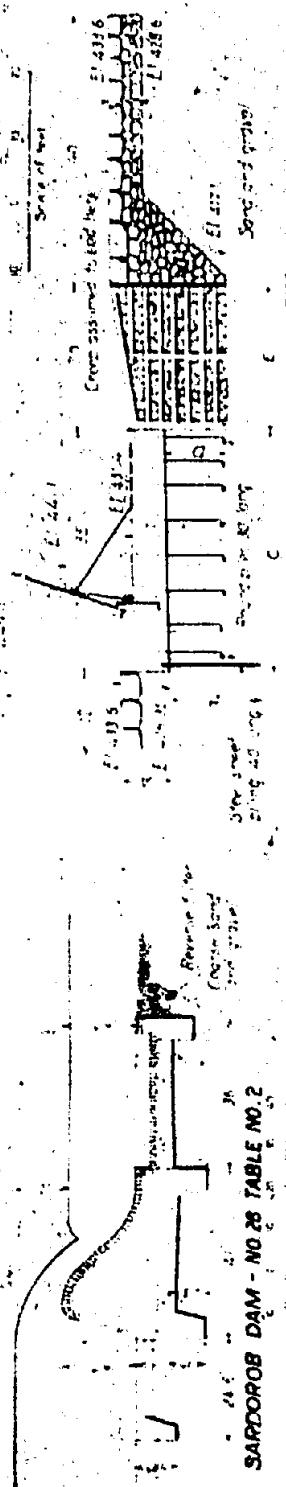
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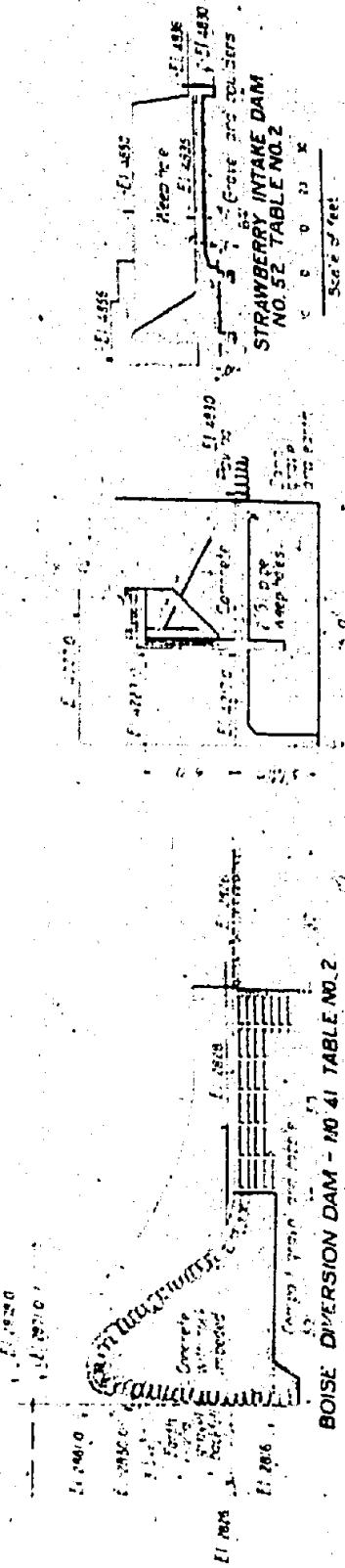
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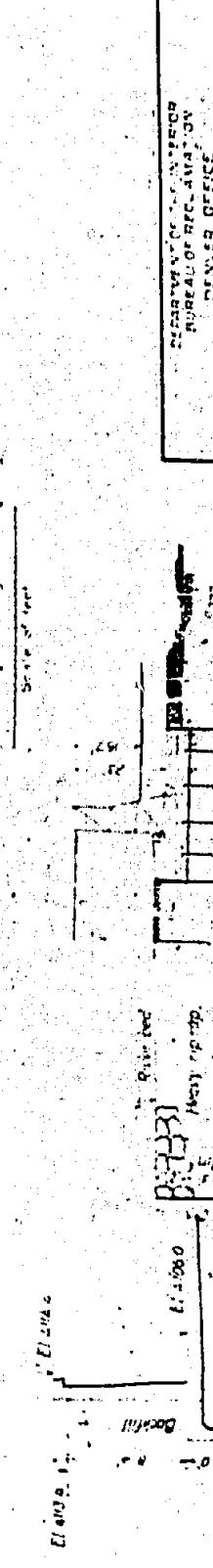




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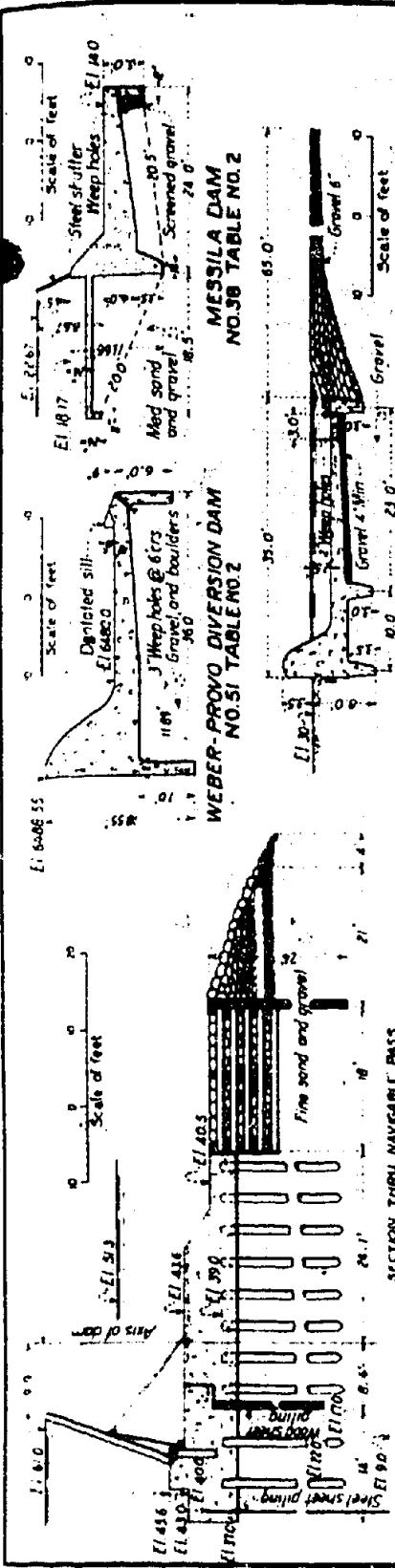
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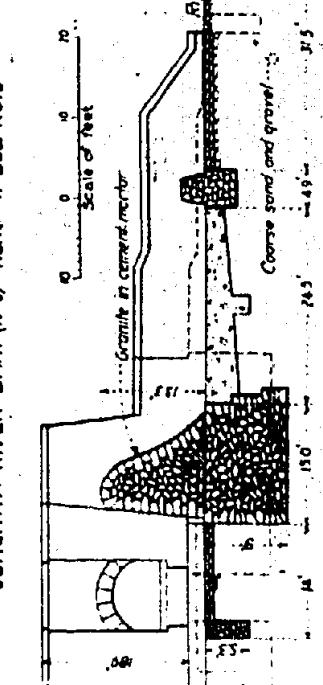
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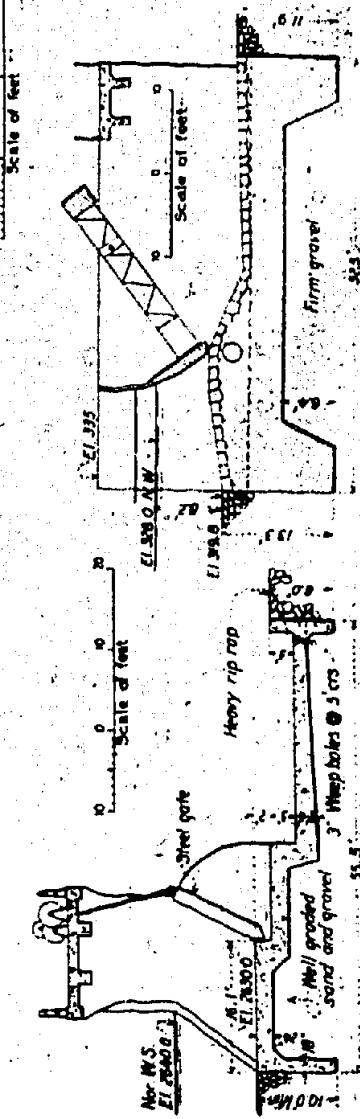
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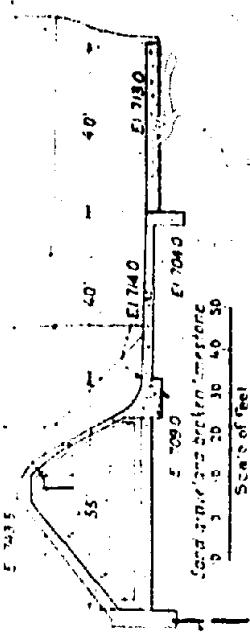
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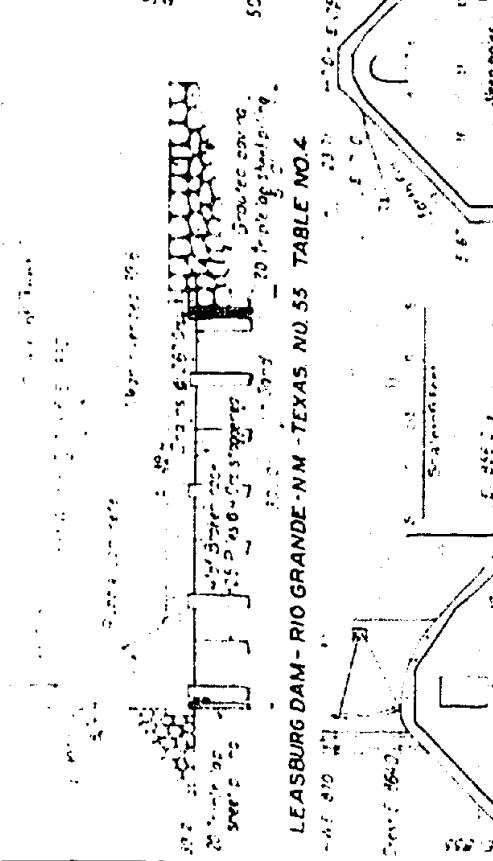
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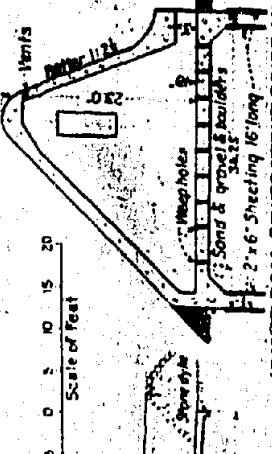
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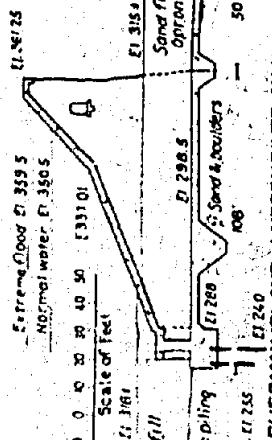
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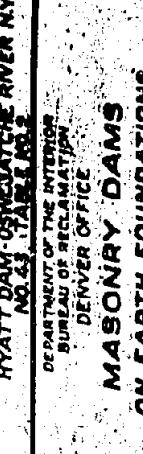
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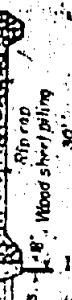
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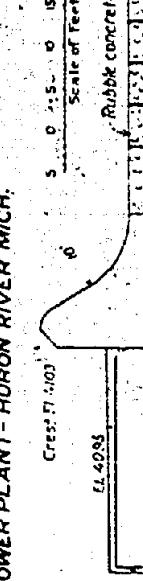
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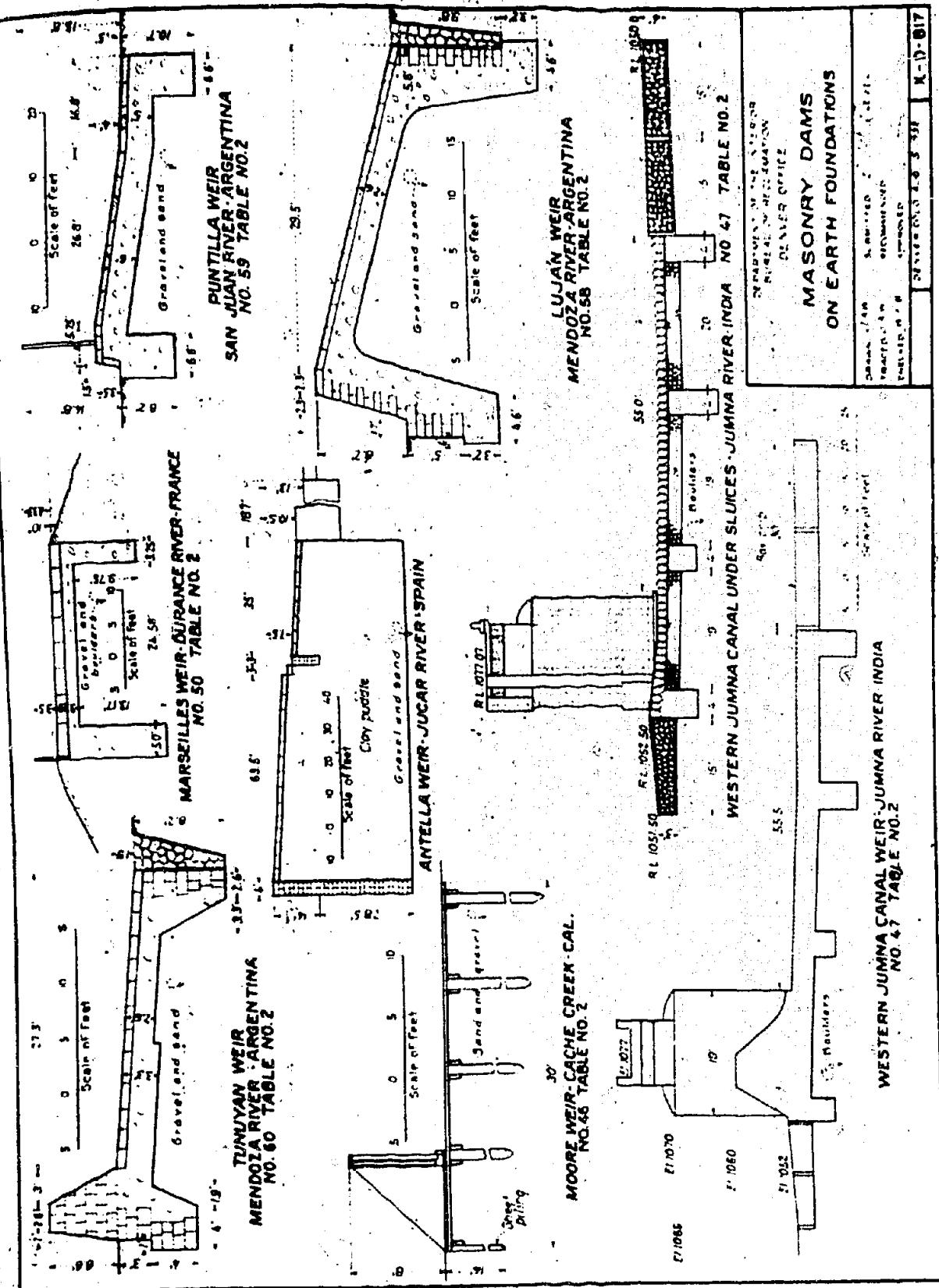
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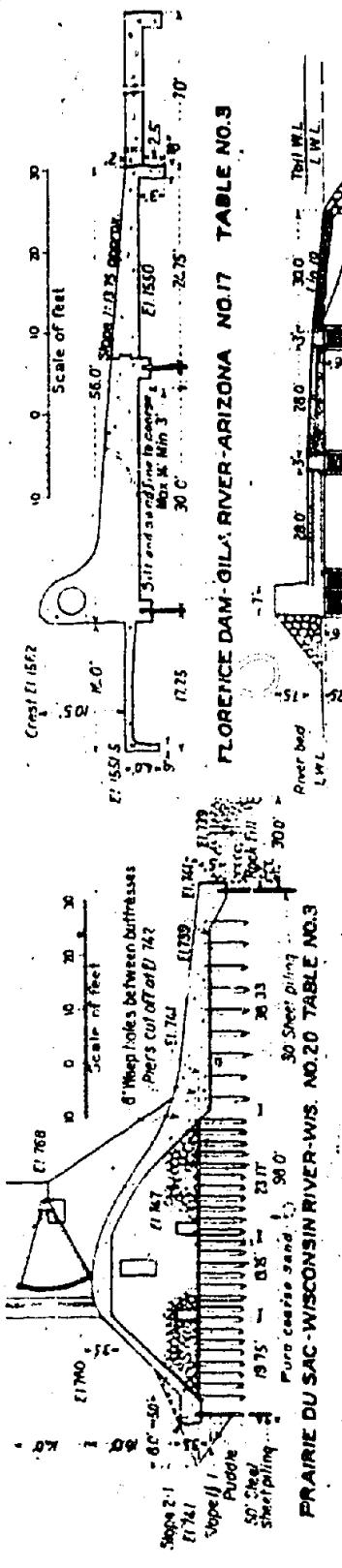
- River delta**: Located in the lower-left corner.
- Beach**: A narrow strip of land along the coast.
- Cliffs**: Located along the coastline.
- Sea**: The body of water to the right of the coastline.
- Wetland**: An area of land near the water.
- Wellington grand**: A label near the top right.
- Wet/rocky shores**: A label near the top center.
- Rocky shore**: A label near the bottom center.
- Shallow water**: A label near the bottom right.
- Clay**: A label near the bottom left.
- Sand**: A label near the bottom center.
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- Shoreline**: A line indicating the current shoreline.
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- Sea level**: A line indicating the sea level.



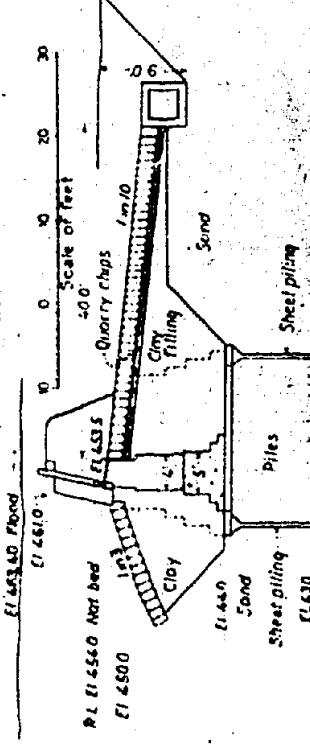
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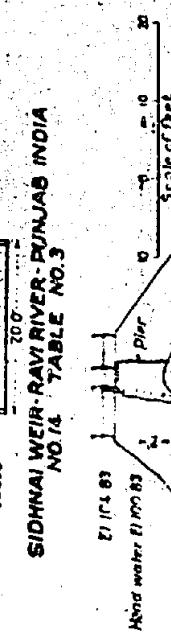




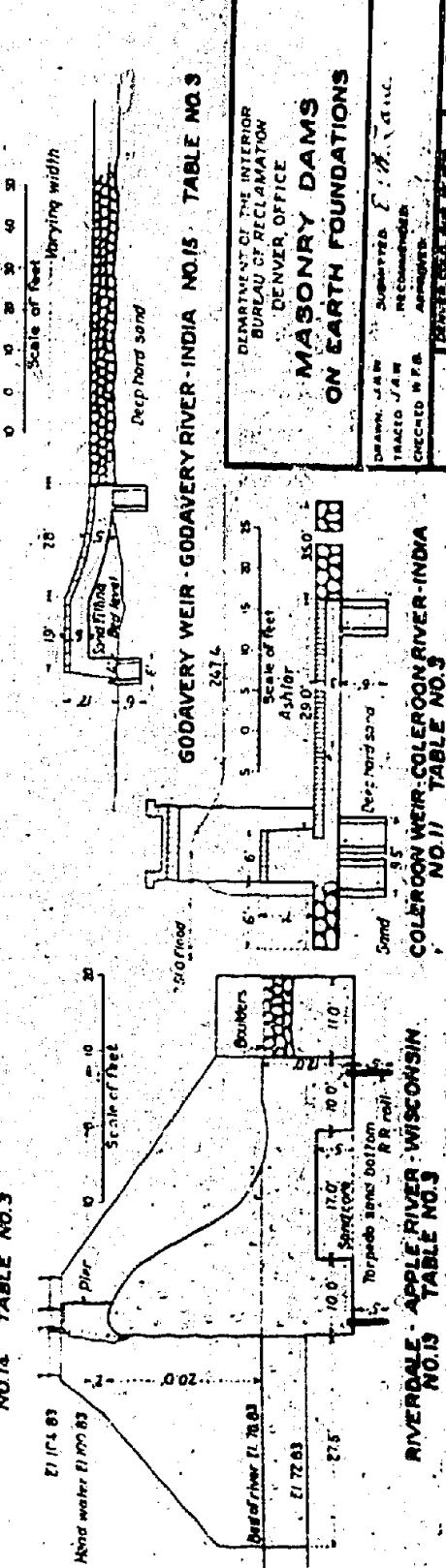
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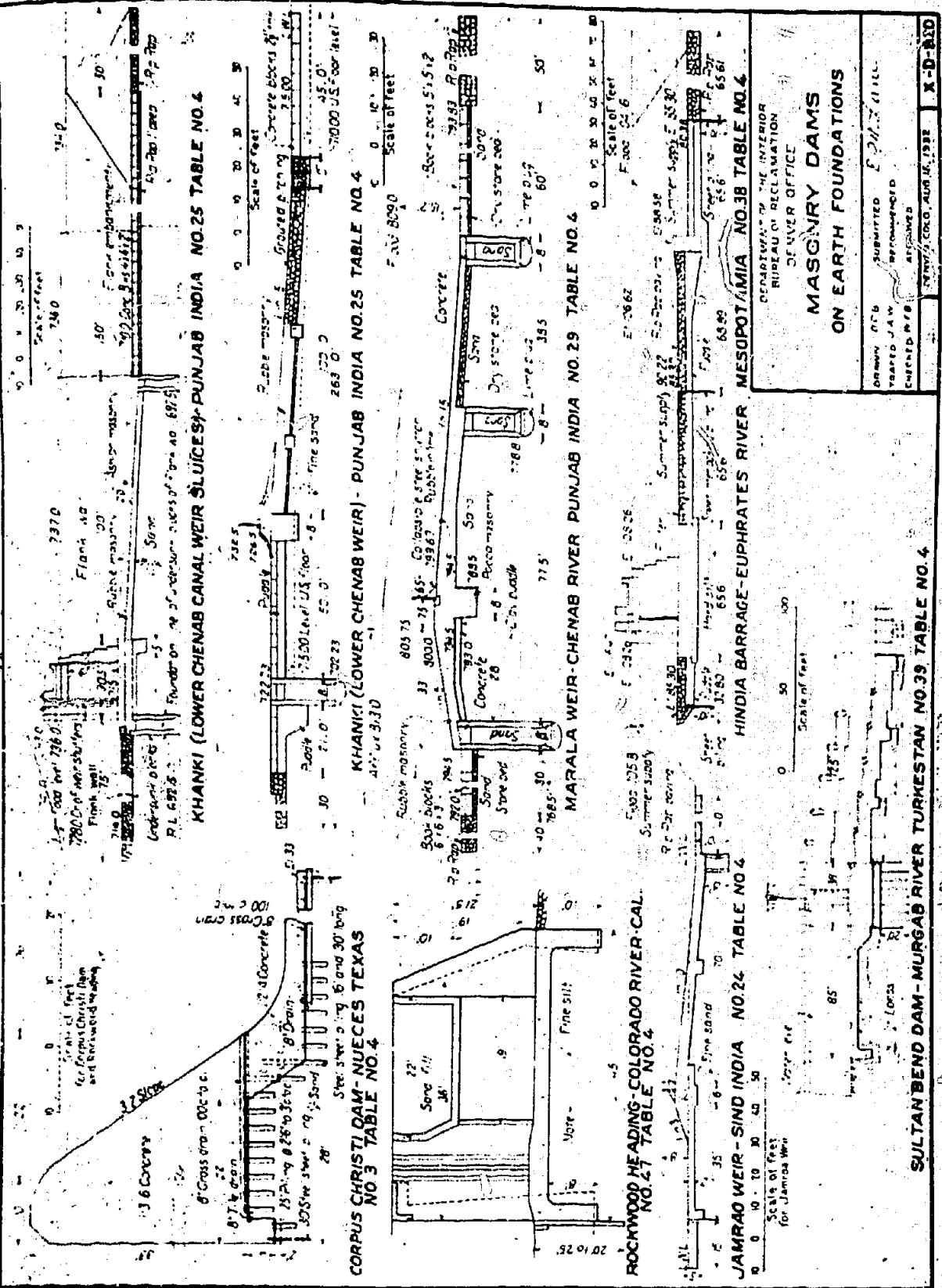
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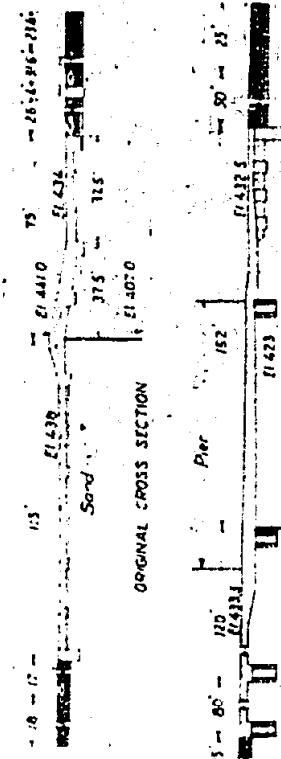


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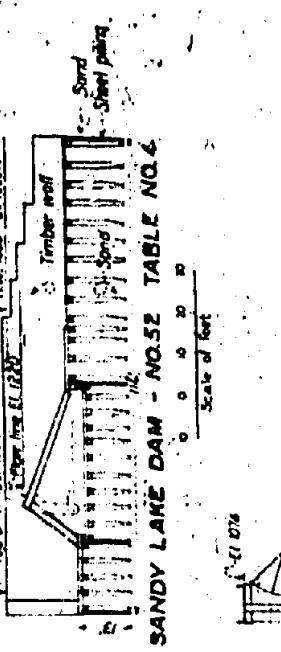
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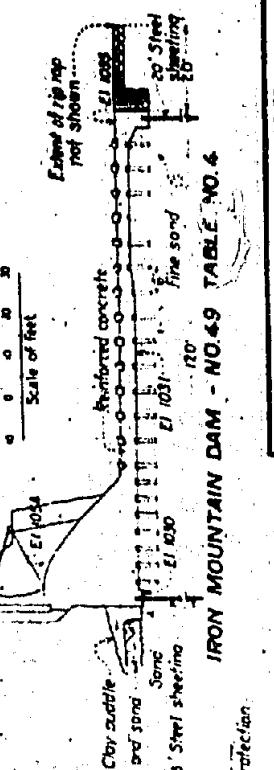
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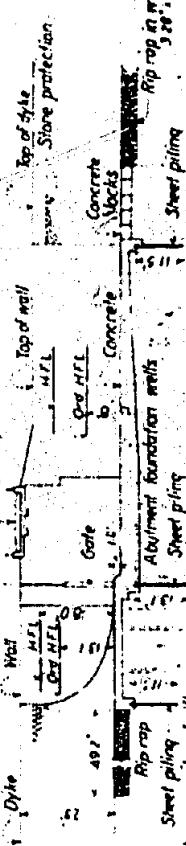
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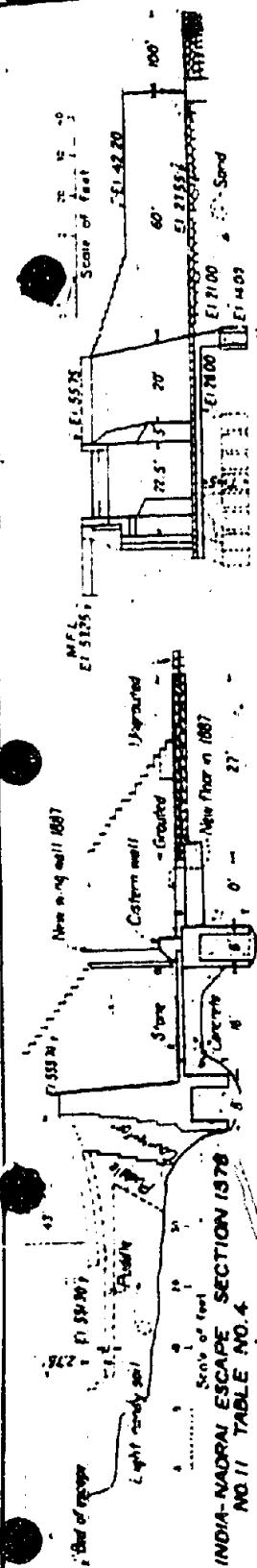
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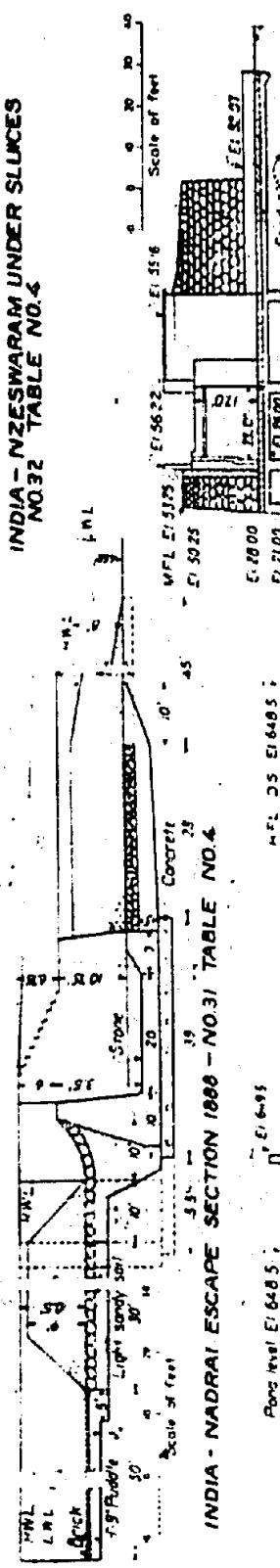
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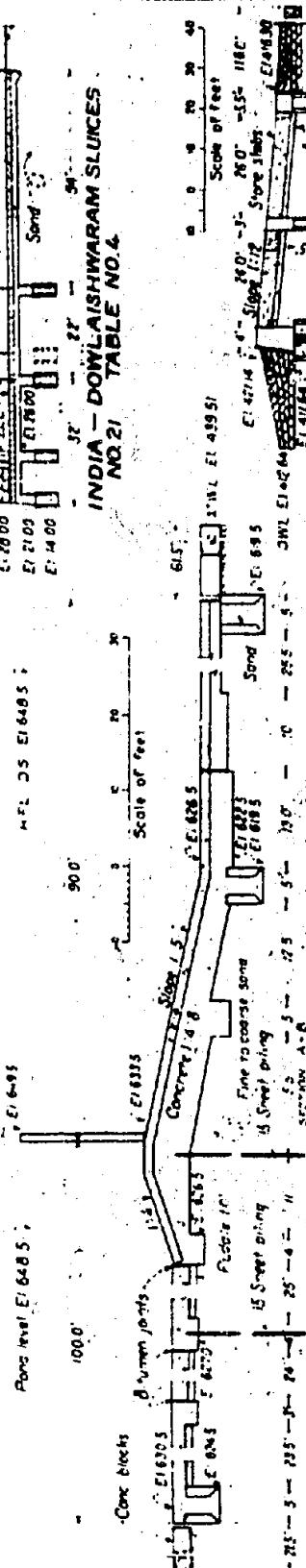




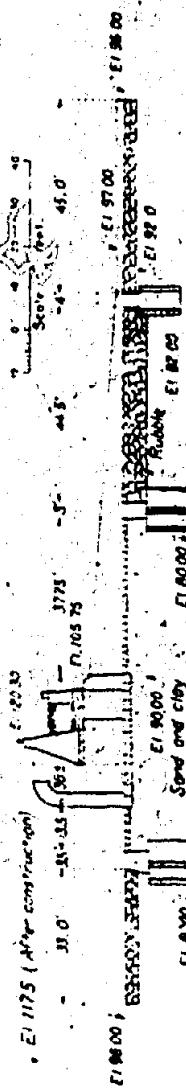
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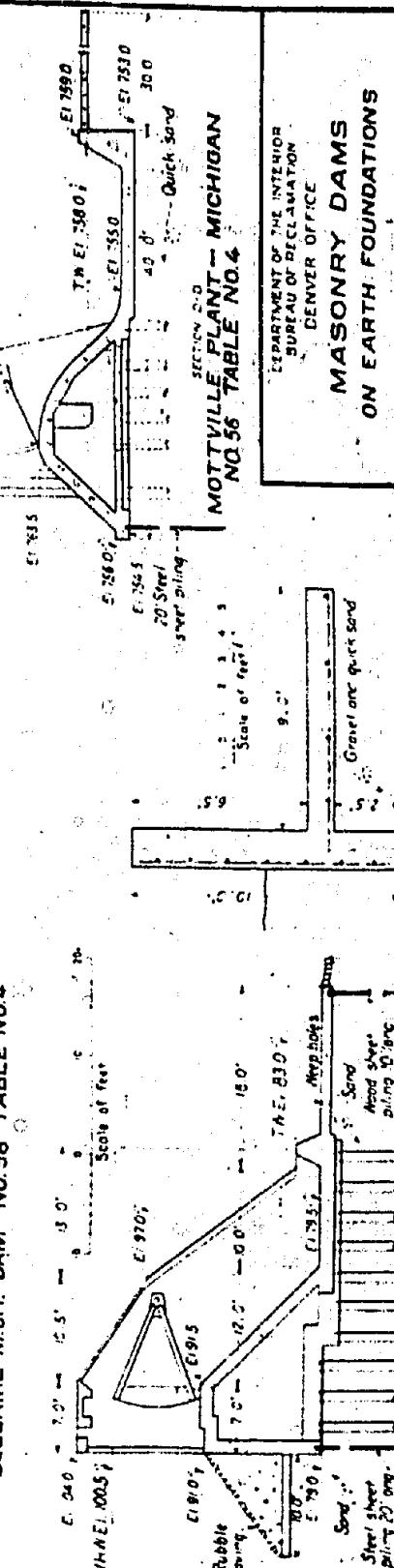
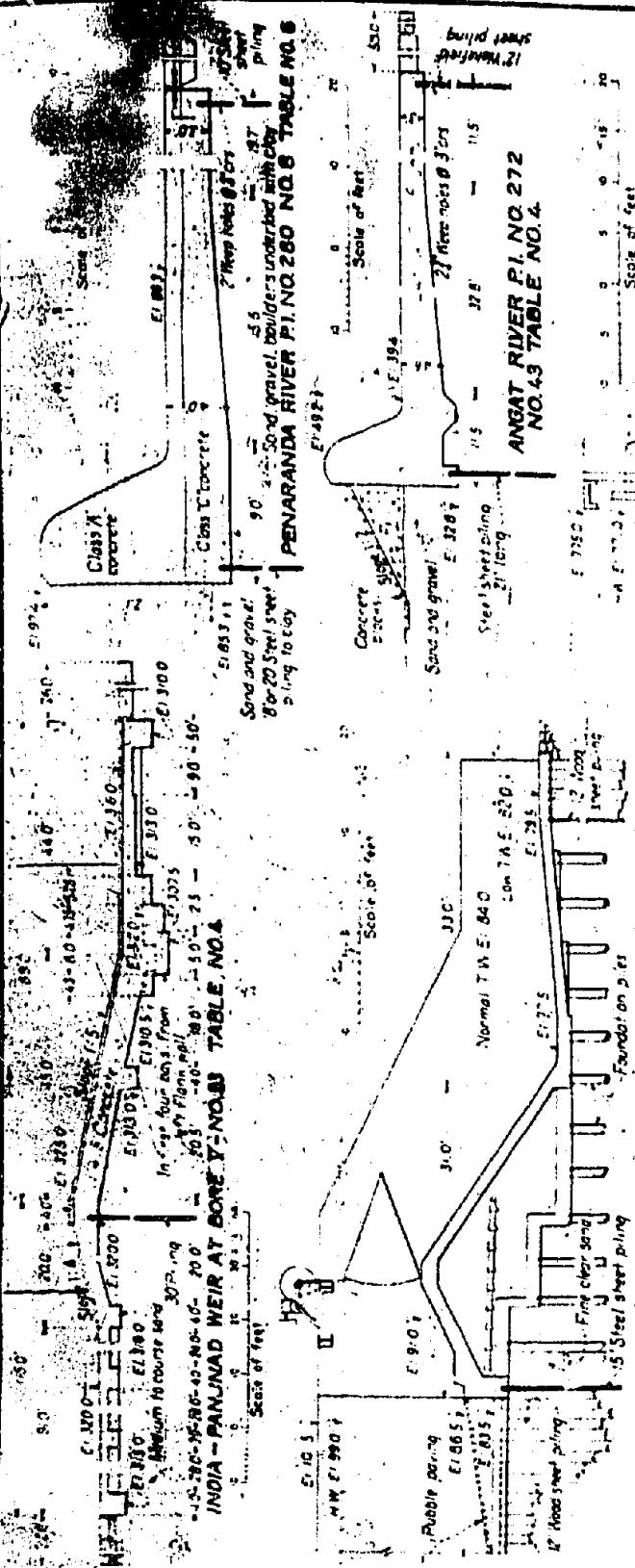


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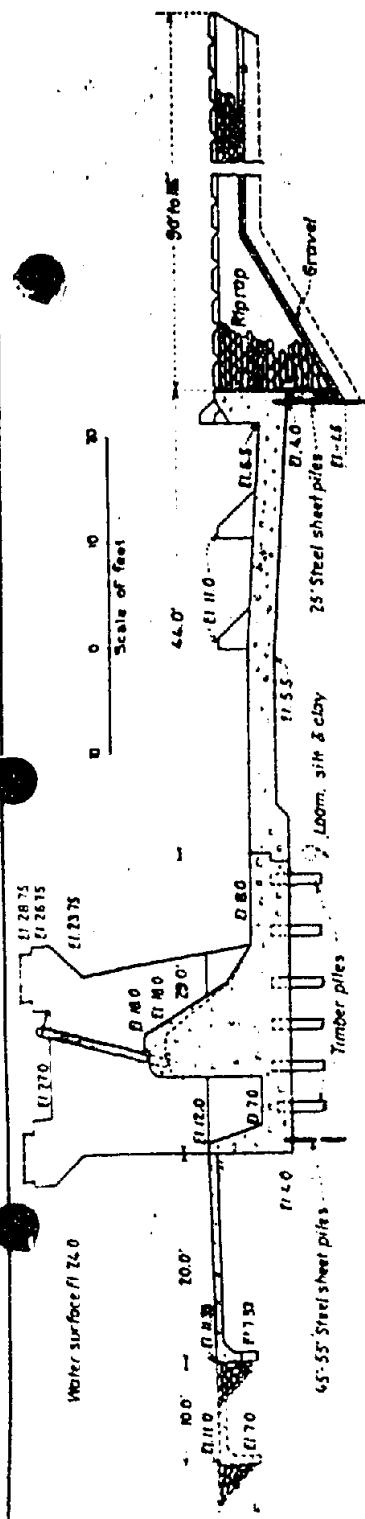
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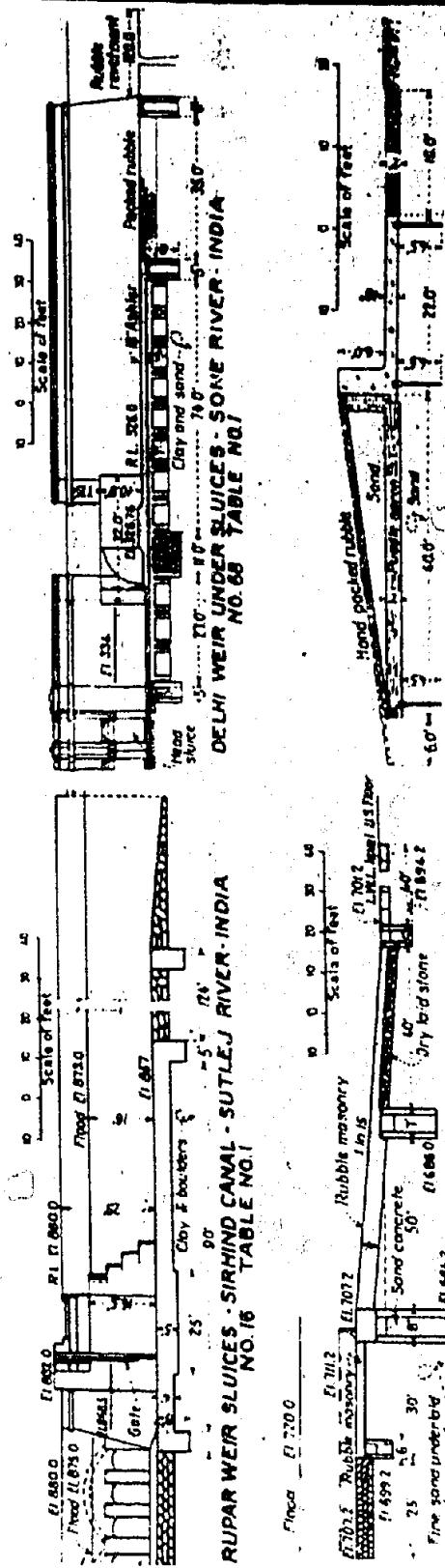
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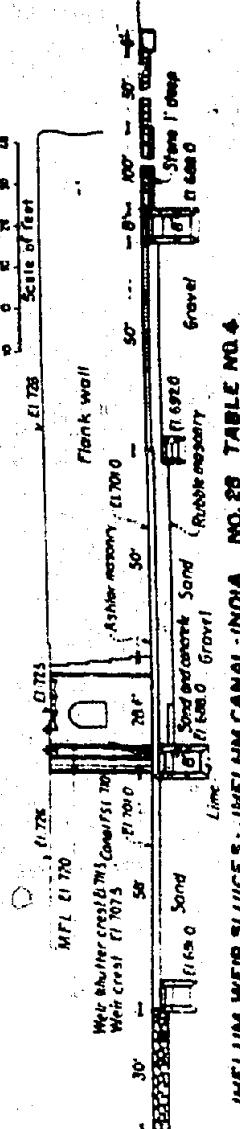


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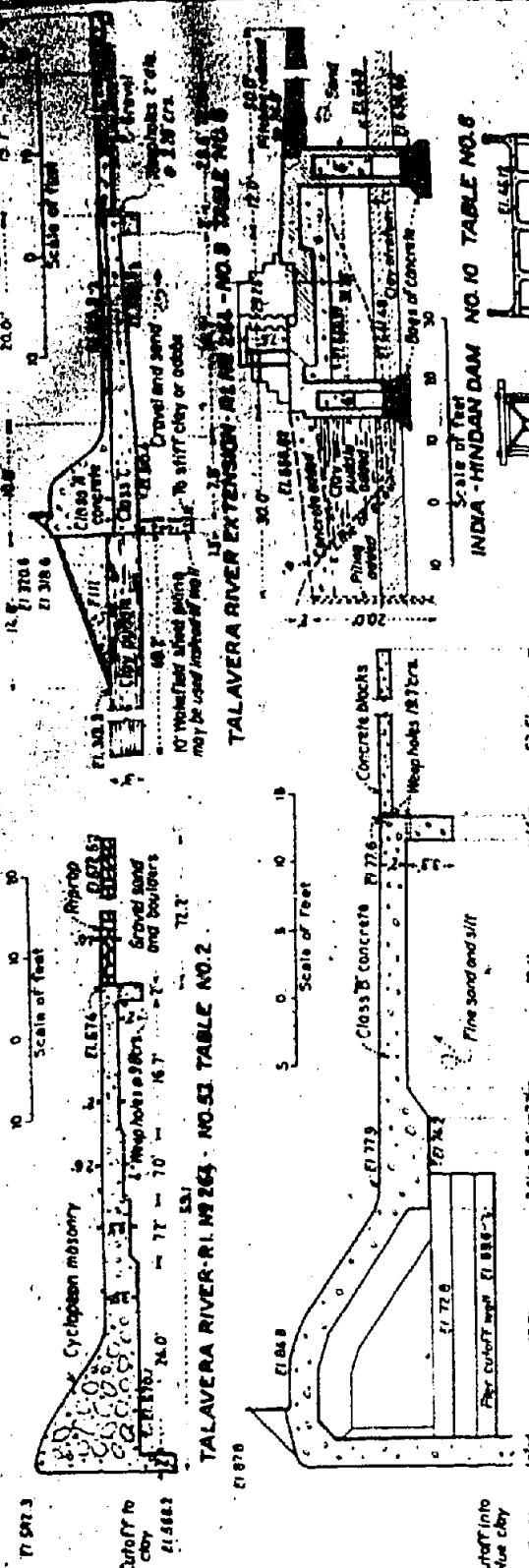
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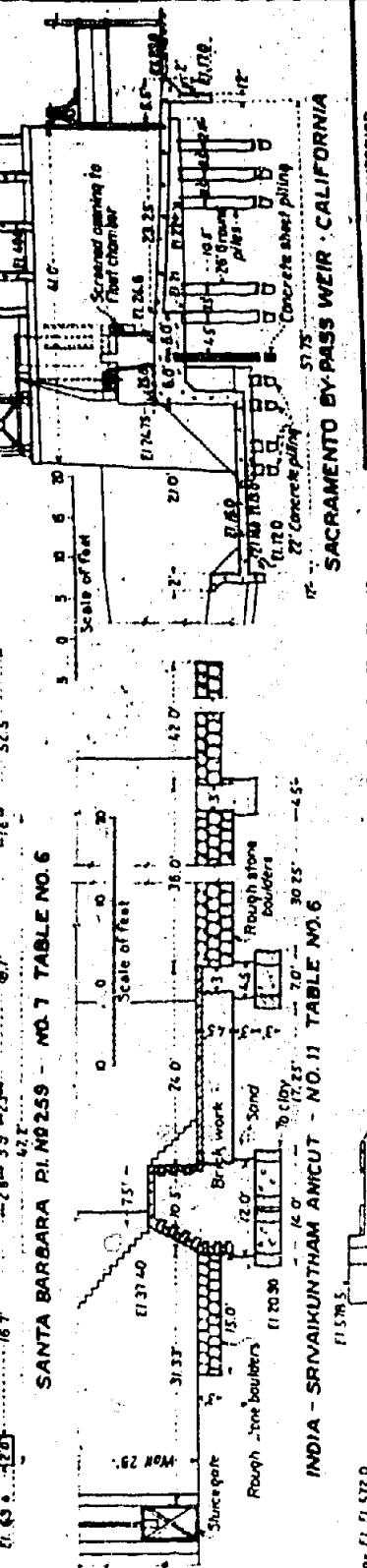
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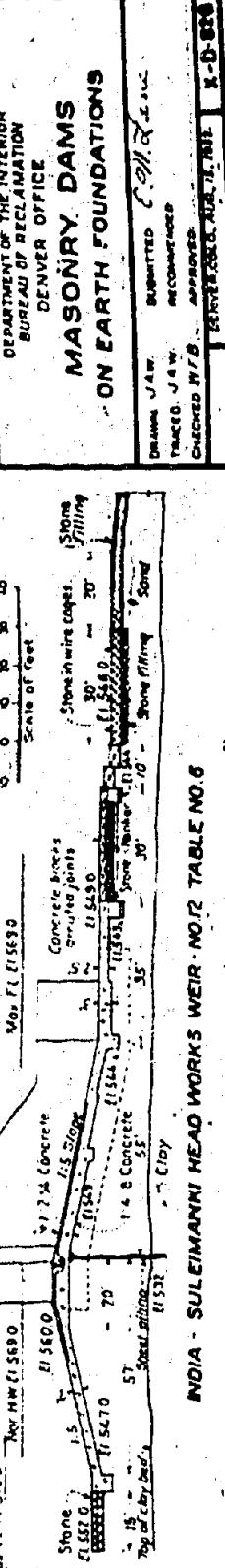
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