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### I. SYNCPSIS

Hydraulic model tests were conducted to determine the answers to the following questions, relative to the design of the outlet works at Caballo Dam:

- a. Is the outflow energy successfully dissipated in the stilling-basin for all outlet outflow conditions?
- b. For out et discharges less than three thousand cubic feet per second, is the flow approaching the Parshall flume sufficiently smooth and quiet to give an accurate head reading?
- c. Is the tunnel flow downstream from the gates of a satisfactor character?
- d. Is the riprap protection at the downstream end of the Parshall flume adequate?

The model tests showed that the preliminary design was unsatisfactory on four counts: The flow in the downstream section of the gate structure was rough, the shape of the tunnel was not suitable for various quantities of flow, the stilling-pool was not adequate for various combinations of gate openings and discharges, and the Farshall flume was too near the stilling-pool to be reliable.

The gate section and the tunnel were altered to produce satisfactory flow conditions in these structures but the flow in the stilling-pool and Parshall flume remained rough and of poor velocity distribution. The stilling-pool and the approach to the Parshall flume were then altered, producing satisfactory performance.

At this stage of the investigation it was decided to remove the Parshall flume and replace it with a venturi meter in the circular tunnel upstream from the gate structure. A hasty series of trials determined the most efficient stilling-pool design, causing the least erosion in the channel to the river and causing the least splash and disturbance in the pool.

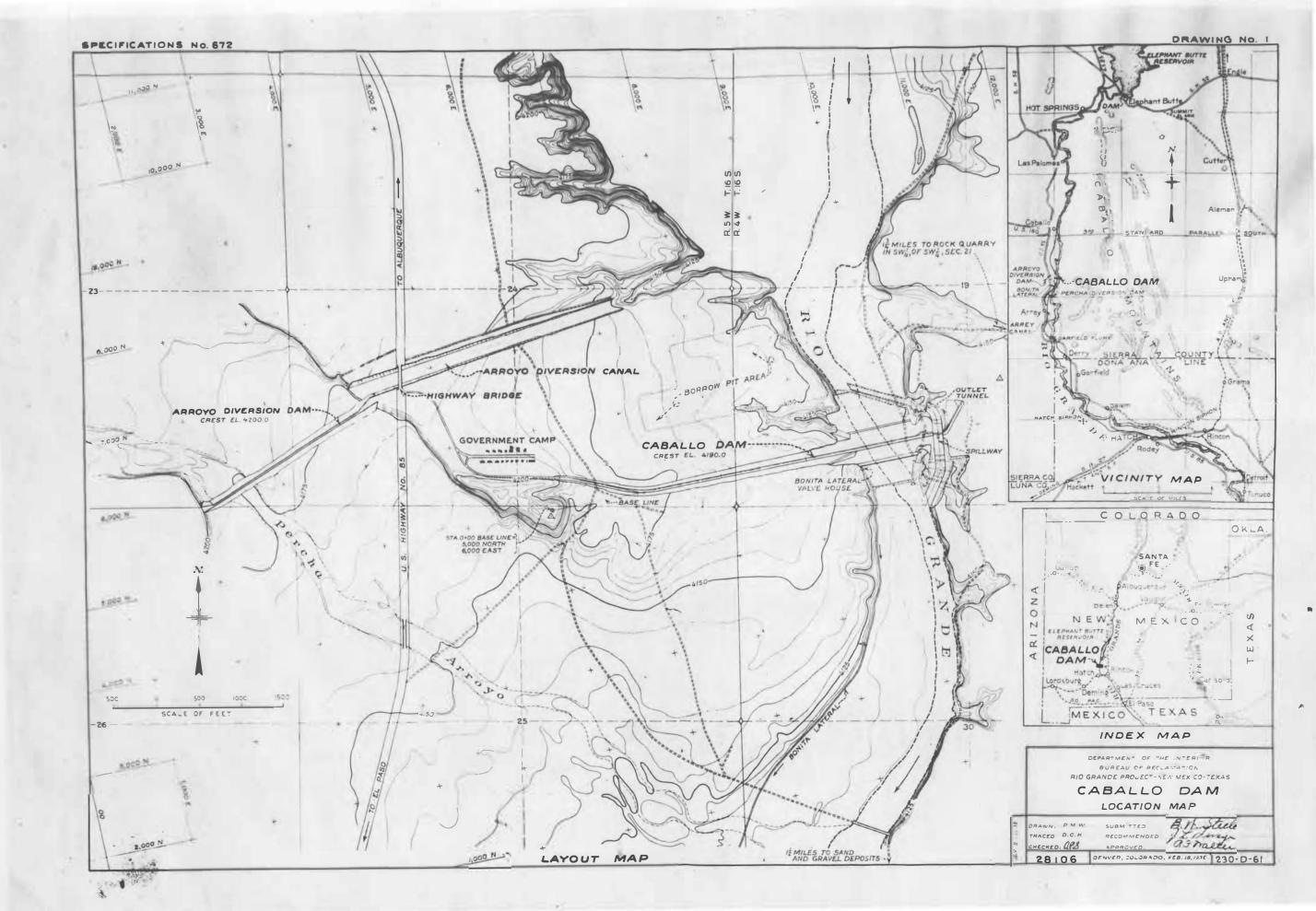
rests were made on models of spillways for each of the three alternative project plans: the low dam, the high dam as a subsequent development of the low dam, and the completely redesigned high dam. Pressure distributions and discharge coefficients over the crests and pressures along the pool floor were measured. The most significant tests were concerned with the improvement of the stilling-pool design. These indicated that satisfactory conditions could be obtained with the original pool walls shortened from 103.00 to 78.75 feet and with the pool floor shortened from 12.0 to 88.13 feet and raised 4 feet. A slope of 3 to 1 instead of 1-1/2 to 1 and a depth of 5 instead of 3 feet were found to be necessary for the riprap in the trapezoidal streambed.

### II. INTRODUCTION

The Caballo Dam was constructed as a part of the Rio Grande Rectification Project under the authority of the International Boundary Commission but under the engineering supervision of the Bureau of Reclamation. It is located on the Rio Grande River about 11 miles south of Los Palomas, New Mexico, and 24 river miles downstream from the existing Elephant Butte Dam (Figure 1).

The reservoir will provide both flood control and irrigation storage, and in addition will make possible the continuous instead of the previous seasonal production of power at Elephant Butte Dam by conserving the water passed through the Elephant Butte turbines during the fall and winter months. For the present, the Elephant Butte Plant will be able to supply all the power for which there is a local market. No power development was therefore projected for the Caballo Dam.

Three separate plans for the storage and regulation of water at Caballo Dam were considered. Plan No. 1 provided for an earthfill dam with its crest at elevation 4162 and with a reservoir capacity of 100,000 acre-feet when the pond elevation was 4152. This plan provided for a spillway of 34,000 second-foot capacity. Plan No. 2 provided for an increase in the storage capacity of 350,000 acre-feet by raising the earthfill dam to elevation 4190 and the pond elevation to 4182, the change to be made at some future date as an addition to the structure of Plan No. 1. The irrigation outlet was to remain practically unchanged and a new concrete spillway crest of 34,000 second-foot capacity, about thirty feet higher than the first, was to be added. Plan No. 3 represented an entire redesign of the dam with the spillway at the opposite end. The height of the dam, the pond elevation, the reservoir capacity, and the irrigation outlet remained approximately as for Plan No. 2



The tests on models of the irrigation outlet works were undertaken at the request of the design section as part of the design investigations necessary for determining the correct approach conditions and the proportions for the Parshall flume. The spillway experiments were made to determine whether the stilling-pools as designed would be satisfactory under the imposed head and tailwater conditions, and to determine hydrostatic pressure distributions over the crest and over the pool floor. As is frequently the case with investigations of this kind, the initial tests indicated that considerable improvement was possible both in flow conditions and in economy of construction. The experiments on the outlet works and spillway were therefore continued to determine the most satisfactory design.

At the time this investigation was made the Hydraulic Laboratory of the Bureau of Reclamation occupied the greater part of the basement of the Old Custom House at Sixteenth and Arapahoe Streets. The Laboratory water supply system, which recirculated the same water, included a weir tank with a 90-degree, V-notch weir and a pump sump, set below the floor level, a 6-inch centrifugal pump with a discharge of up to 3-1/2 cubic feet per second, and a head tank for water supply to the models. The discharge returned from the models to the weir tank in a sheet-metal flume.

### III. THE OUTLET WORKS

The model. The model of the outlet works was constructed to the scale of 1 to 30. The circular tunnel upstream from gate section, the gate section, horseshoe tunnel, stilling-pool, and Parshall flume were developed and constructed of sheet metal. The pier in the gate section was of redwood and the gates were of brass. The gates were actuated by screw stems and brass knurled nuts. The top of the horseshoe tunnel was constructed of sheet pyralin, permitting observation of the flow downstream from the gates. The stilling-pool and Parshall flume were placed in a sandbox in order to observe the erosion downstream from the flume and to facilitate alterations. The tailwater was regulated and controlled by a tailgate at the end of the sandbox and the tailwater elevation was read on a gage on the side of the sandbox. To compensate for the dissimilarity between the effects of friction losses in model and prototype, the slope of the model tunnel was increased in accordance with calculations relating to the actual model and prototype losses indicated by application of Kutter's "n."

Plate I shows the model of the original design and Figure la shows the original prototype features.

Original design. As ordinarily designed, that portion of the outlet works downstream from the gate section performed unsatisfactorily. When operated at 3,000 cubic feet per second, a high fin arose down the center of the transition and tunnel. With either gate fully open at normal head, the flow in the tunnel was very rough and spiral in shape.



B. GATE SECTION

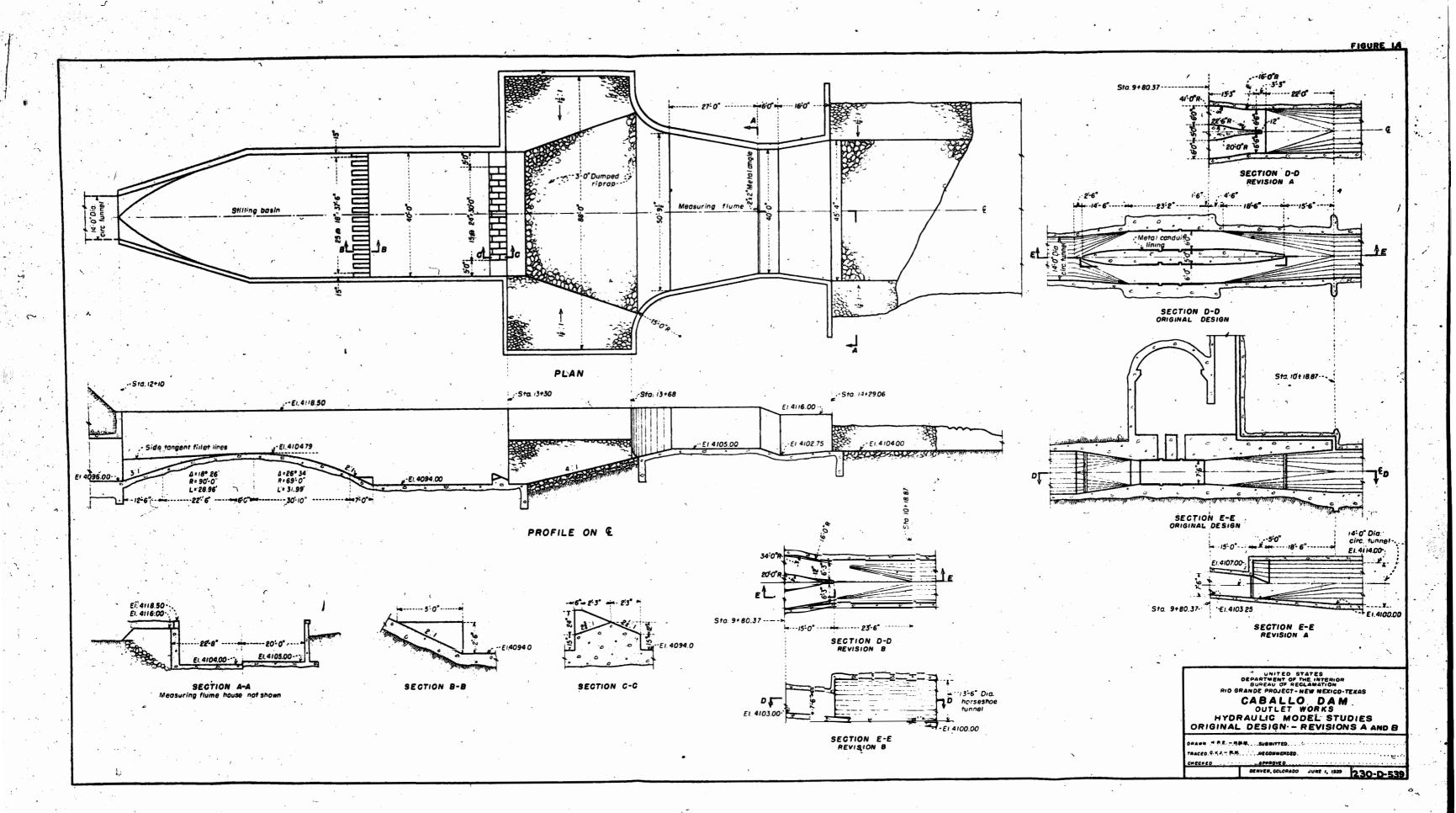
A. STILLING POOL



C. PARSHALL FLUME LOOKING UPSTREAM



D. STILLING POOL SHOWING HUMP



With the gates equally open at normal head, the flow through the gates joined at the end of the pier to form a series of standing waves in the tunnel and a high central fin on the stilling-pool hump.

At the lower rates of discharge, up to 900 cubic feet per second, the tailwater backed over the hump and caused a whirl on the upstream side. The jump was not complete and high surface velocities continued through the pool and Parshall flume, causing a source of error in discharge measurements.

At higher rates of discharge, the pool was very splashy although little erosion resulted downstream from the Parshall flume.

Plates II and III show the model of the original design in operation.

Revision of gate section and tunnel. To correct the poor performance in the gate section and tunnel, the transition and pier downstream from the gates were altered as shown on Revision A, Figure la. As a result, the fin off the end of the pier was reduced considerably and the flow down the tunnel and over the hump appeared to be slightly improved. To further reduce the spiral flow in the tunnel with one gate open under normal head, a horseshoe tunnel was tried. The water surface in the tunnel was smoothed out considerably and the velocity distribution in the stilling-pool was improved, the effluence of the tunnel being nearly level for all combinations of gate openings. This alteration is shown on Revision B, Figure la, and also on Plate IV.

Depth of pool as controlled by Parshall flume. A series of quantitative tests were made to determine the relation between the discharge through the cutlet works, depth of water in the stilling-pool, and the tailwater elevation in the river downstream from the Parshall flume. The tailwater was controlled in accordance with the rating curve of the Rio Grande River at the Caballo Damsite, Figure 2.

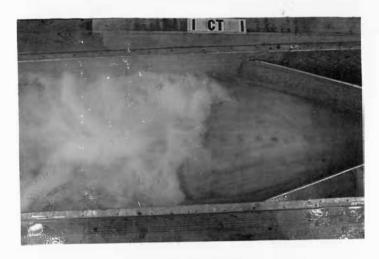
The control effect of the flume is shown in graphic form on Figure 3.

hevisions on stilling-pool and flume approach. With one gate partly or fully open, a high side fin occurred on the hump at the side walls, as originally designed. Although the characteristics of the flow in the gate section and tunnel were greatly improved by Revision B, a high central fin and sidewall fins remained on the upstream side of the hump with both gates open. It was found that vertical sidewalls curved to fit the spread of the tunnel discharge eliminated the sidewall fins (Revision H, Figure 4).

To spread the effluence of the tunnel over the full width of the pool, humps 5 feet and 2-1/2 feet higher than that of the original design were found to be of little improvement. The high central fin broke up on the hump and sprang clear of the hump on the downstream side causing a very rough and splashy pool. At the lower discharges, the jump occurred within the tunnel and the portal was flooded. This is illustrated on D, Plate V.



A. TUNNEL AND CATE SECTION LOOKING UPSTREAM



B. STILLING POOL

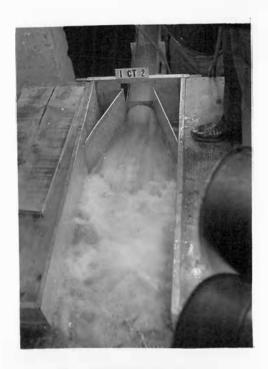


C. PARSHALL FLUME

ORIGINAL DESIGN
DISCHARGE 4930 SECOND-FEET



A. GATE SECTION



B. STILLING POOL



C. PARSHALL FLUME ORIGINAL DESIGN



A. GATE SECTION AND HORSESHOE TUNNEL



B. HORSESHOE TUNNEL NEAR STILLING POOL

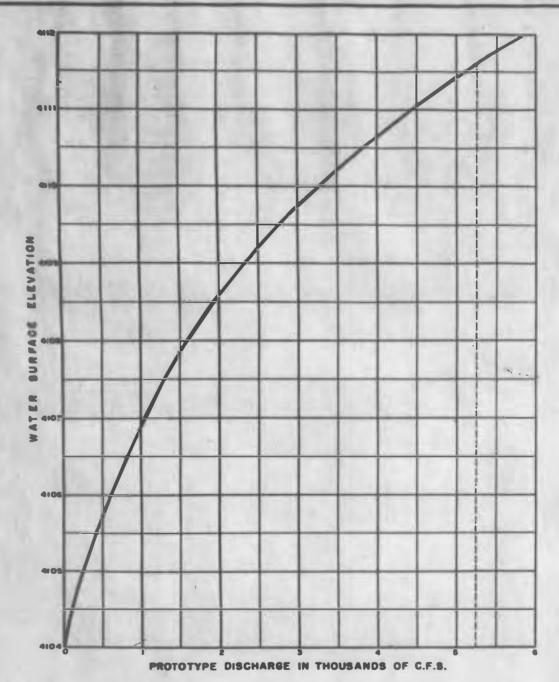


C. STILLING POOL



D. PARSHALL FLUME

REVISION B
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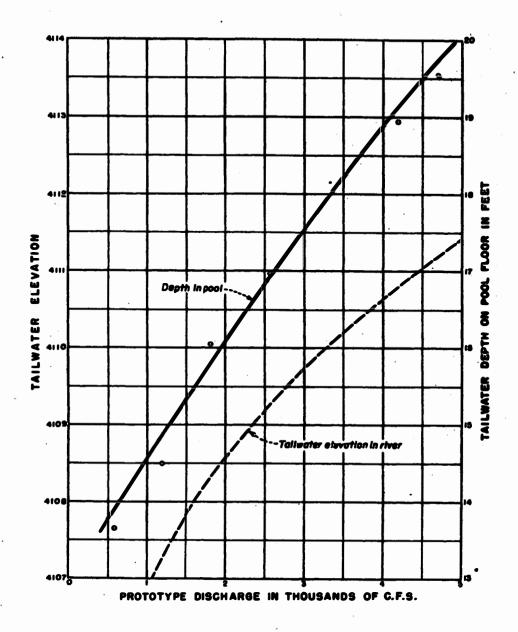
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It was found that a tunnel with a flat invert improved the performance of the pool and that a ridge up the center of the hump spread the flow quite effectively over the entire width of the pool for all combinations of gate openings.

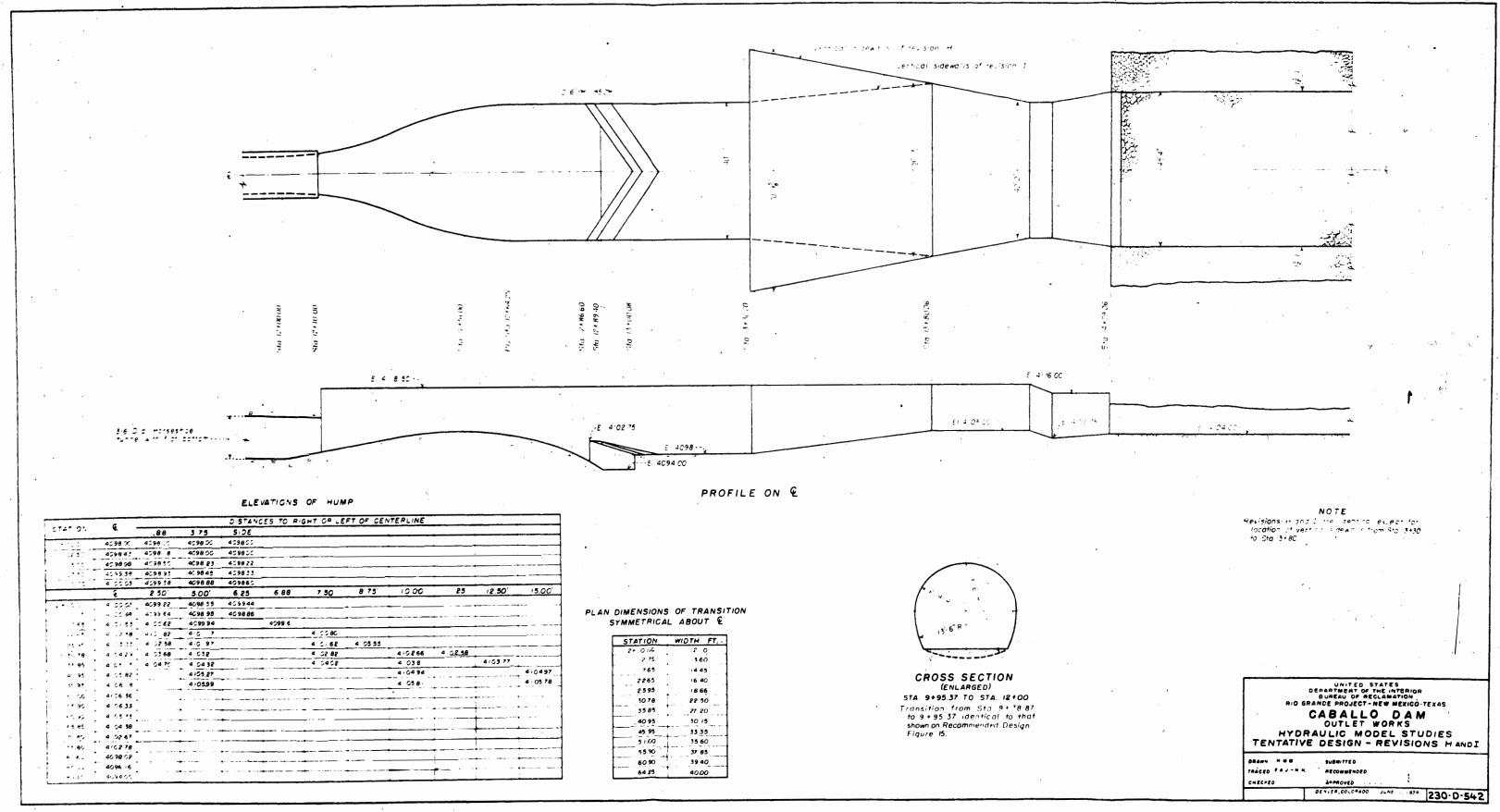
Summarizing, the best solution to the stilling-pool problem and the Parshall flume approach was found in the following features shown on Revisions H and I, Figure 4, and on Plate VII:

- a. Curved sidewalls at the transition from the tunnel to the stilling-pool, to eliminate side fins for the entire range of discharge;
- b. A 13-1/2-foot horseshoe tunnel with flat invert to reduce the banking of flow to a minimum, particularly for greatly unbalanced gate openings;
- c. A "whaleback" hump beginning in the tunnel to distribute the flow over the full width of the pool;
- d. Tapered sills, V-shaped in plan, to break up strong undercurrents along the sides of the pool;
- e. Vertical sidewalls in the approach to the Parshall flume from Station 13/30 to Station 13/80; (It was found that either of the sidewall locations shown in Figure 4 was an improvement over the original design. Revision H was preferable because it caused the least disturbance in the immediate approach to the Parshall flume.)
- f. An addition of 5 feet of height to the sidewalls throughout the pool to provide for splash height (not shown on Figure 4).

Since the Parshall flume was only 50 feet downstream from the stilling-pool, an entirely satisfactory solution was not possible for all rates of discharge. It was decided to replace the Parshall flume with a venturi meter installed in the pressure tunnel upstream from the gate section.

Water surface profiles—Tentative design. Photographs of the tentative design model are shown in Plate VI. The plan and a longitudinal section are shown on Figure 4. Floor profiles and sections for various rates of discharge through the model are shown in Figures 5, 6, and 7.

Revision of the stilling-pool, Parshall flume removed. With the removal of the Parshall flume, the situation presented the problem of developing the stilling-pool that would cause the least erosion in the channel leading to the river and the least splash and disturbance in the pool itself. A series of short hasty investigations were conducted.

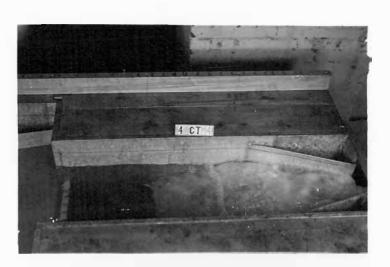




. A. SHOWING RAISED HUMP



STILLING POOL DISCHARGE 4777 SECOND-FEET



C. STILLING POOL
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D. JUMP IN HORSESHOE TUNNEL PORTAL FLOODED DISCHARGE 878 SECOND-FEET

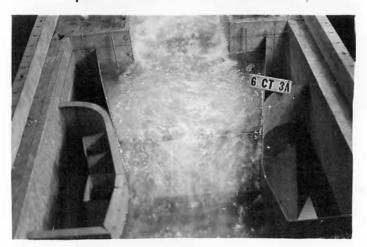




REVISION H



DISCHARGE 3120 SECOND-FEET



DISCHARGE 1810 SECOND-FEET



DISCHARGE 4670 SECOND-FEET





The requirements for this stilling-pool were somewhat different from those of the pool developed for the Parshall flume in that for the latter it was essential that there be a uniform velocity throughout the entire width of the flume. In the new situation, uniform velocity was not essential. Only a minimum of erosion or scour in the channel was necessary.

Figures 8 to 14, inclusive, outline the essential features of these tests. The layout shown on Figure 14 and on Plate VII is essentially the same as that recommended on Figure 15 and that of the final design, Figures 16 to 20, inclusive.

The horseshoe tunnel was found to be feasible as the pool developed dissipated energy to such a degree that the difference between the performance of the flat-bottom and round-bottom tunnel was not appreciable in the scour.

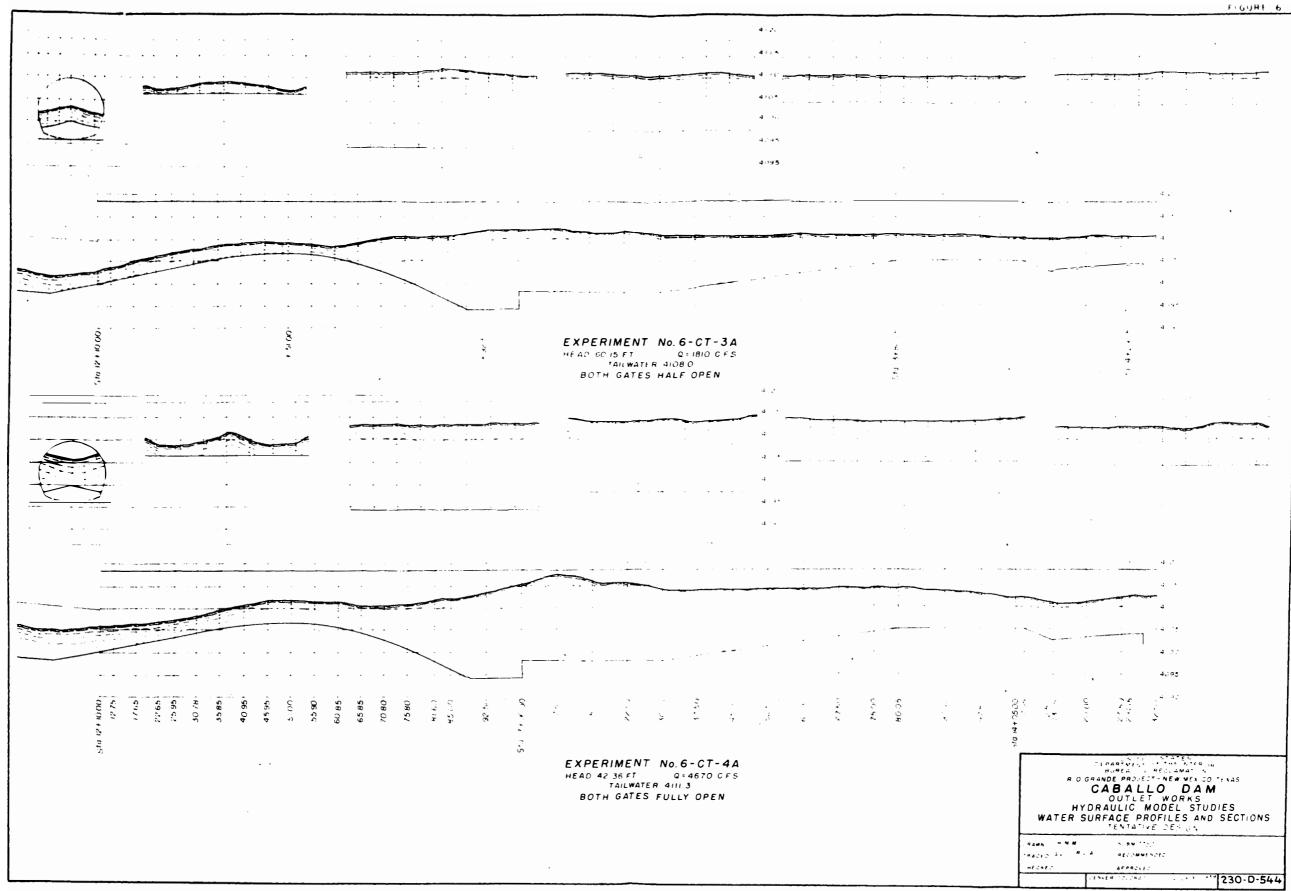
Water-surface and scour profiles and cross-sections for the recommended design. Figures 21 and 22 are plotted profiles and cross-sections of the water-surfaces and scour for various rates of discharge for the recommended design. Plates VIII and IX show the model in operation.

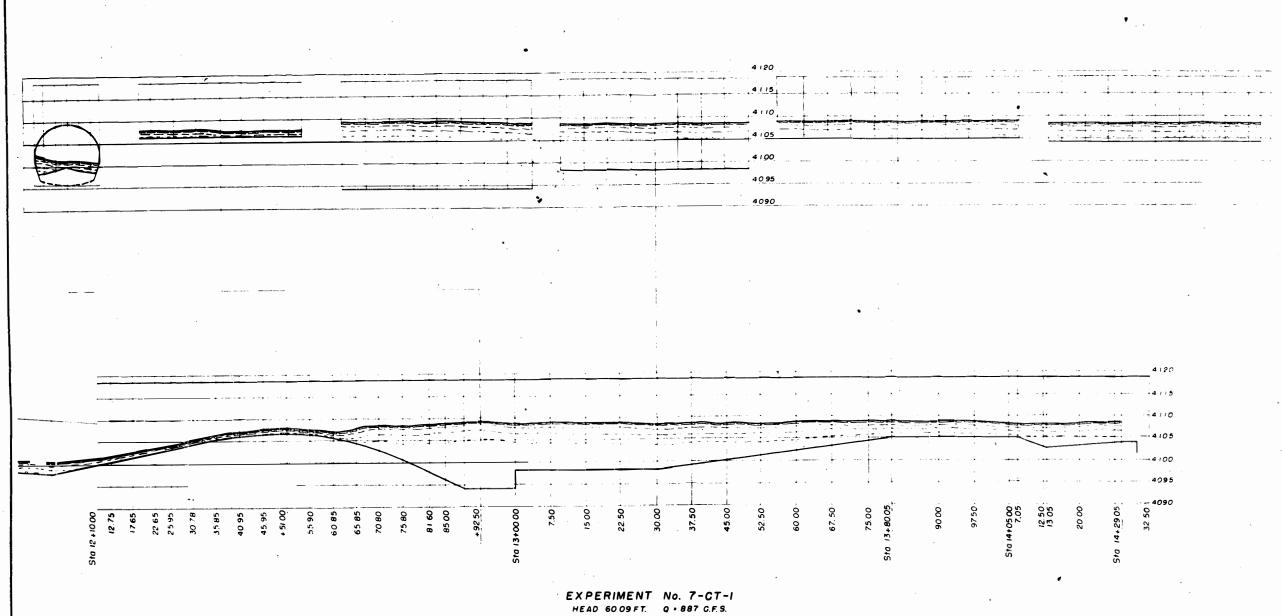
### IV. THE SPILLWAY

As previously described, three distinct plans for the construction of the dam and spillway were presented for investigation. Figures 26 and 33 are model drawings of Plans Nos. 1 and 2, respectively. Figure 23 illustrates the general arrangement of the structure for Plan No. 3. Details of the spillway are given in Figures 24 and 25.

Low dam--Plan No. 1. A scale of 1 to 60 was chosen for the spill-way models. A framework of wood was covered with wood sheathing and lined with galvanized sheet steel (Figure 26). The topography above the spillway crest was also built of wood and lined with metal. The crest, to which all elevations were referenced, was constructed of heavy gage, galvanized metal templates, held rigid by steel angles and covered with heavy gage galvanized iron. Piezometers were placed at uniform intervals over the crest to indicate the pressure heads at various discharges. The stilling-pool floor and walls were constructed of wood, set on an adjustable base by means of which the floor could be raised or lowered. This adjustable base was enclosed by a watertight sandbox in which the downstream topography was duplicated with sand. The recommended stilling-pool design was obtained by visual inspection and by comparison of the scoured sandbeds. Views of the model are shown on Plate X.

The results of quantitative studies of crest discharges are indicated in Figure 27. Water-surface elevations were measured with both point gage and piezometer.



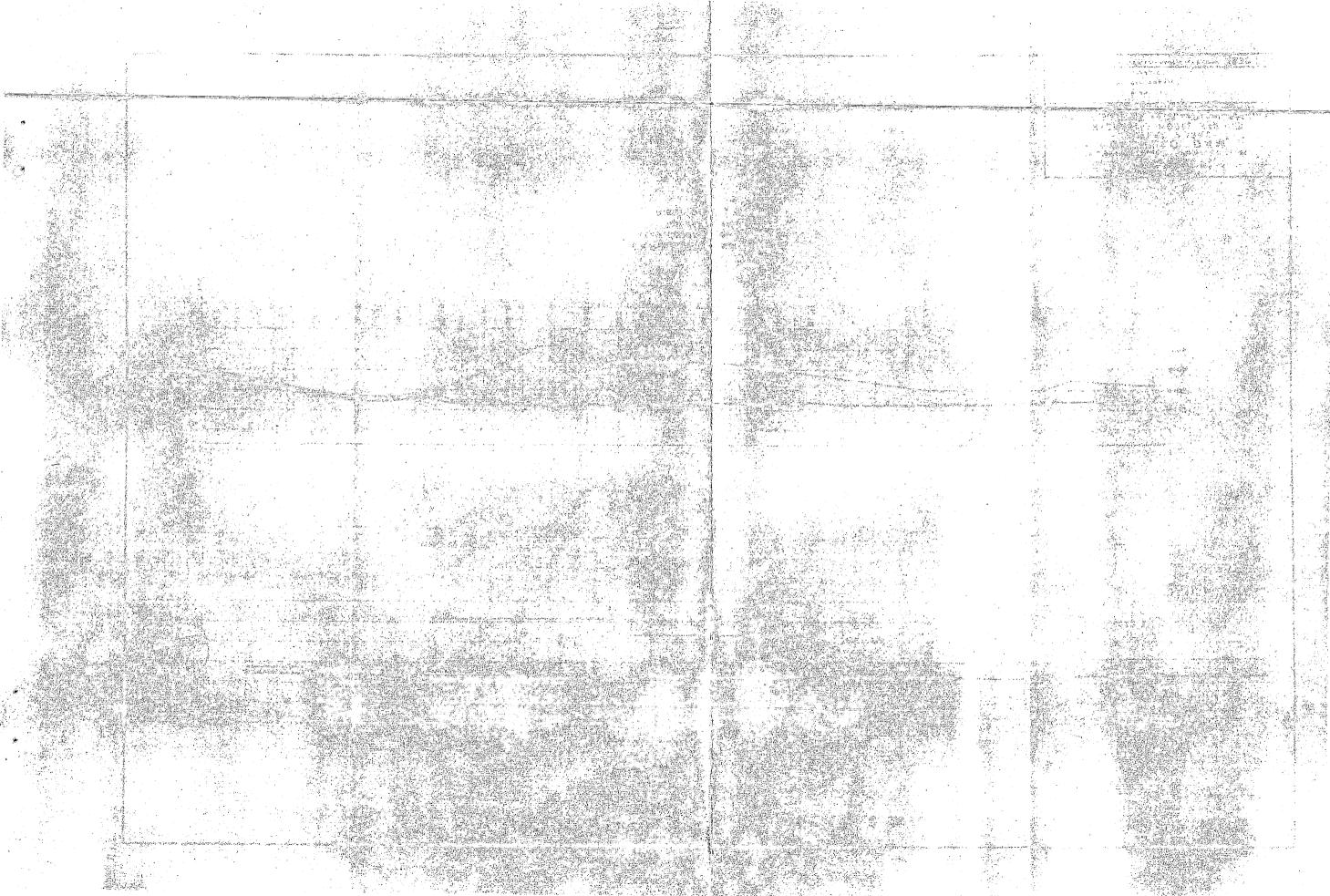


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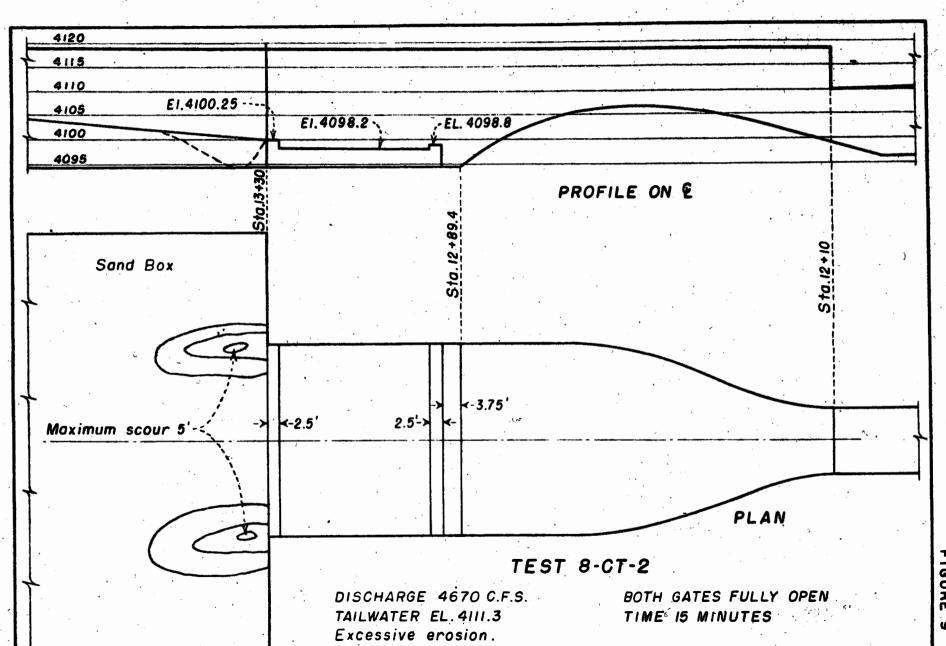
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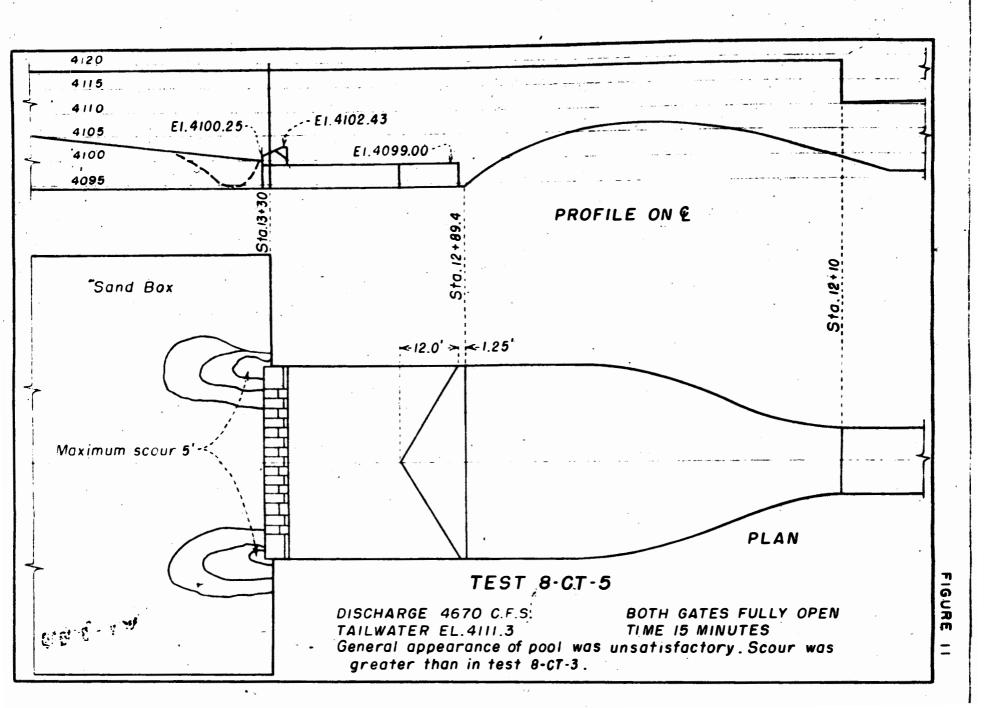
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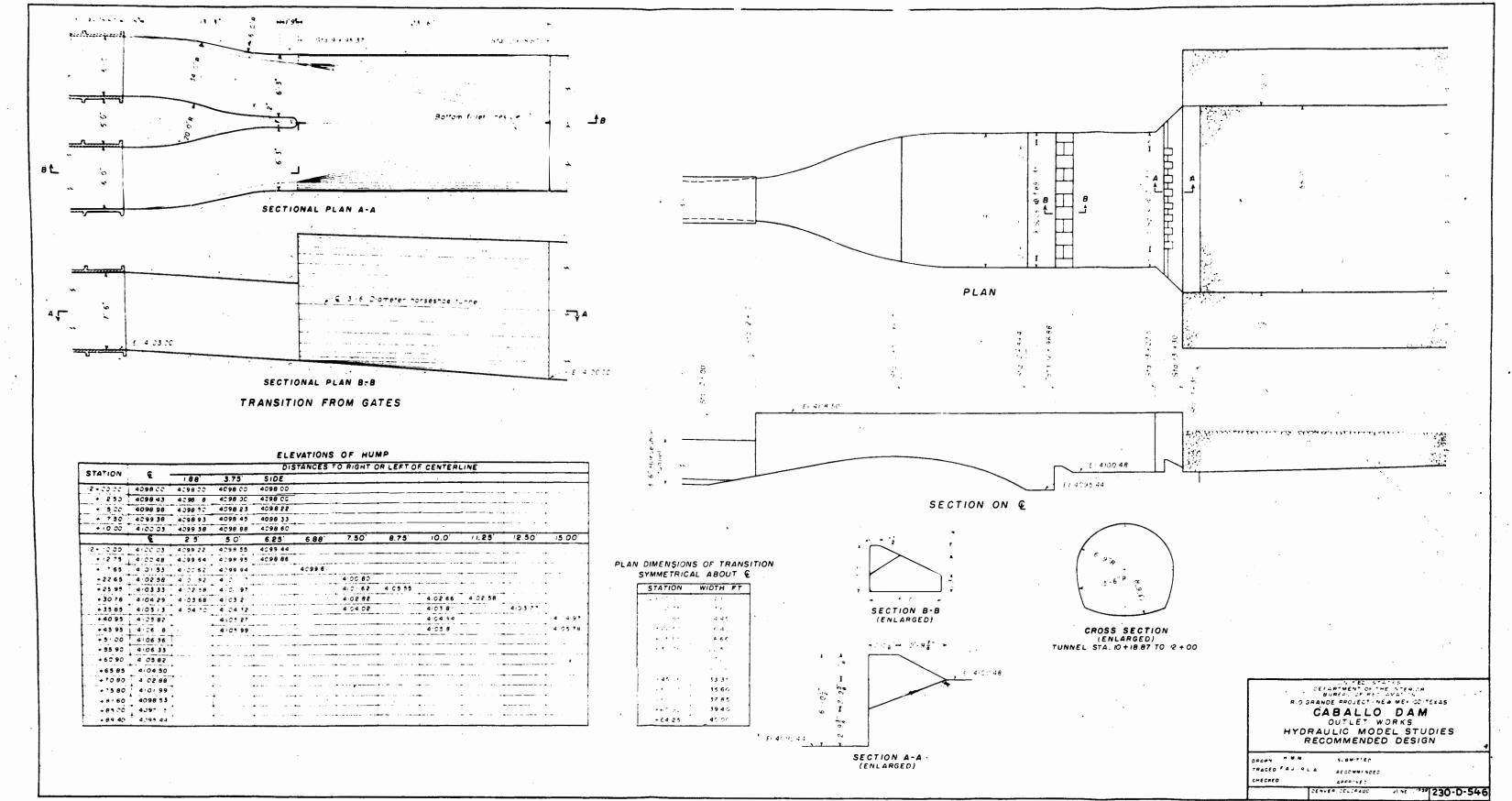


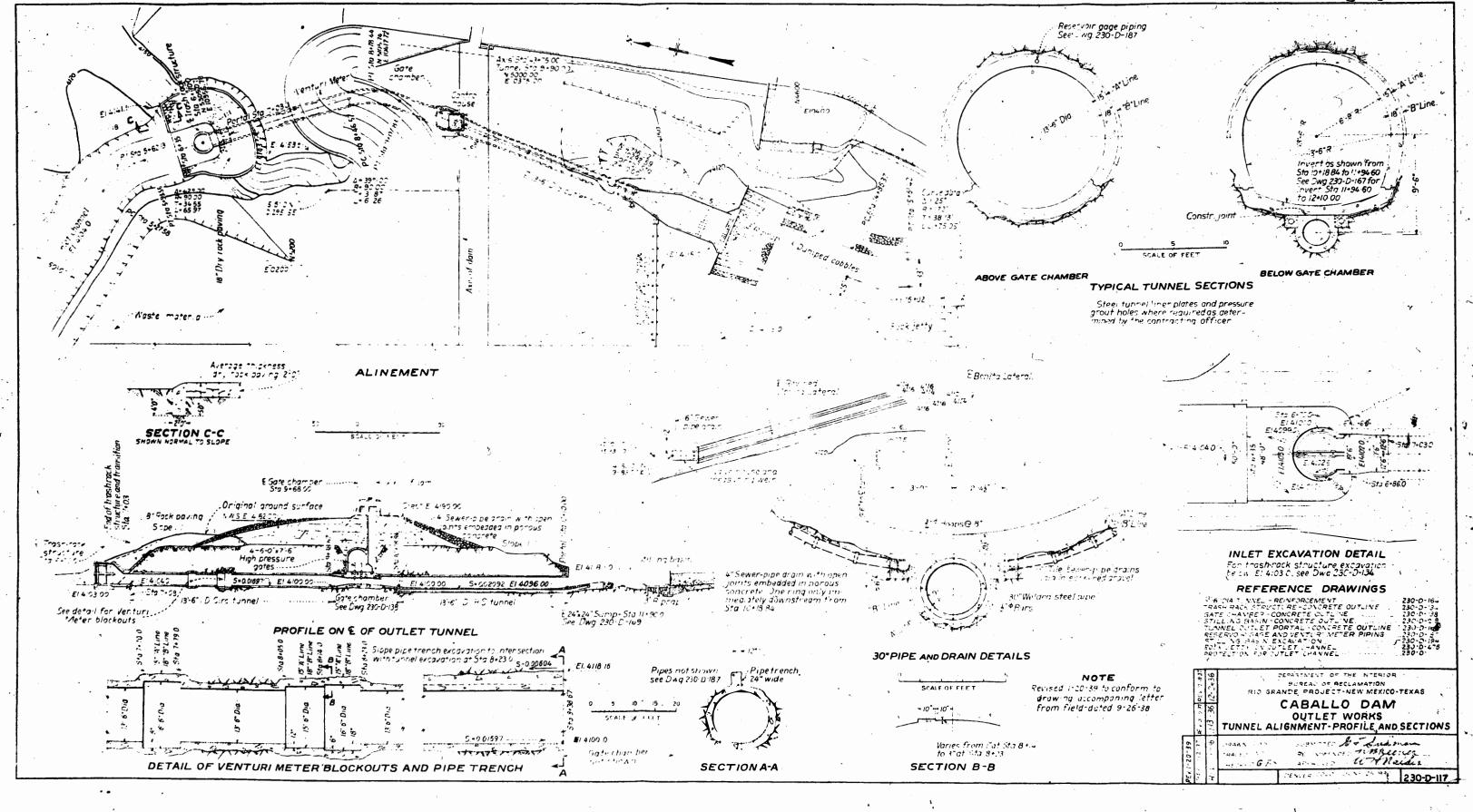
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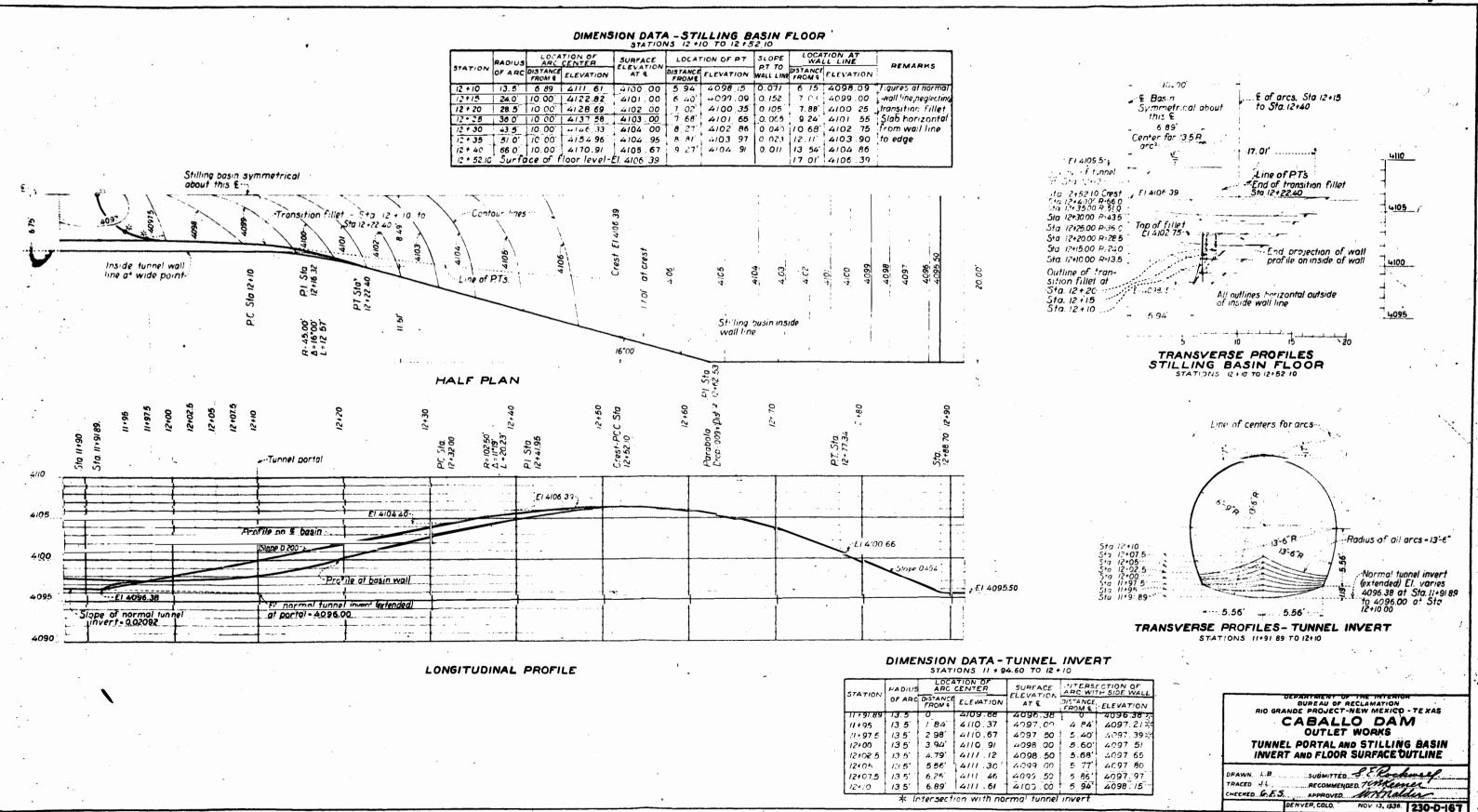


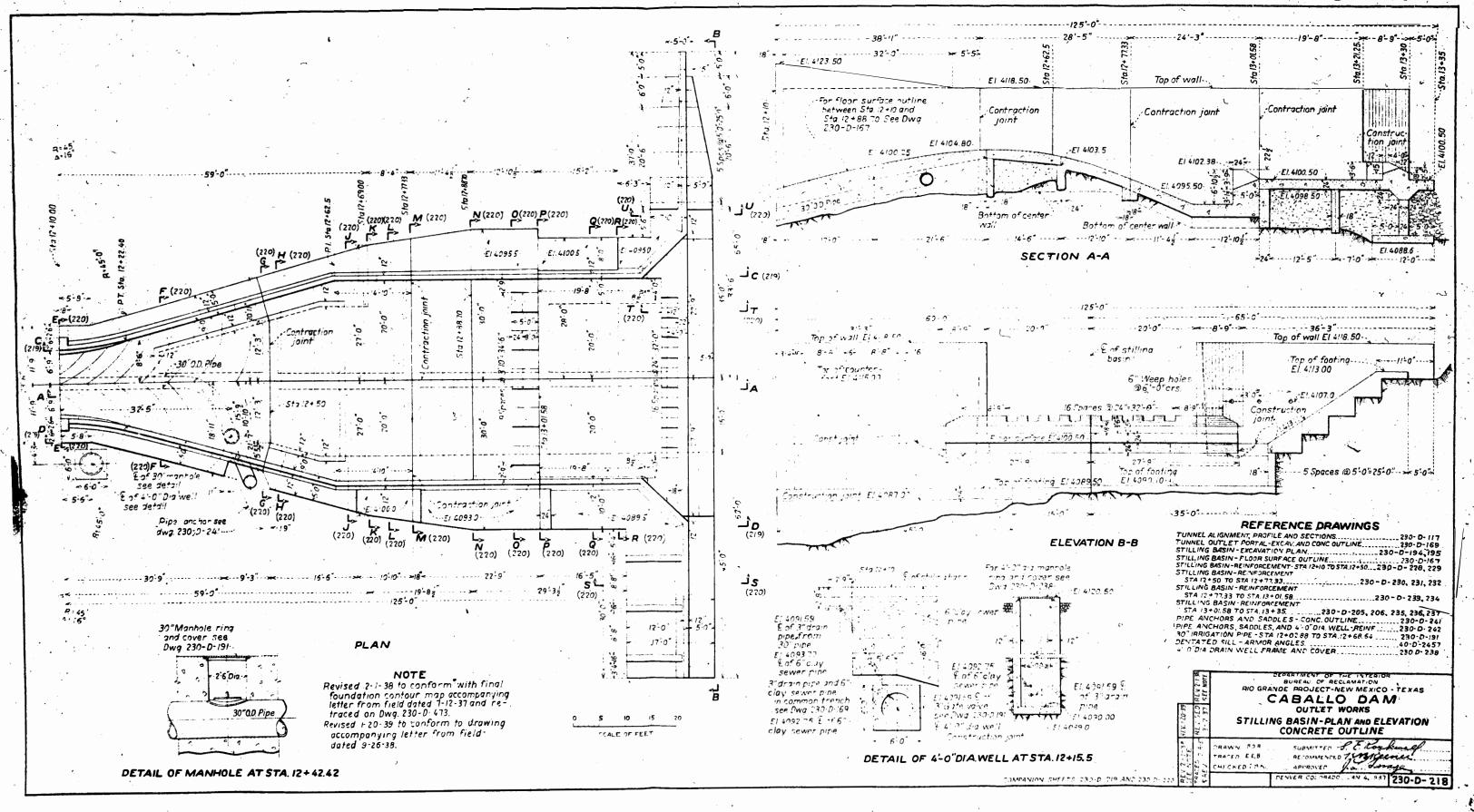


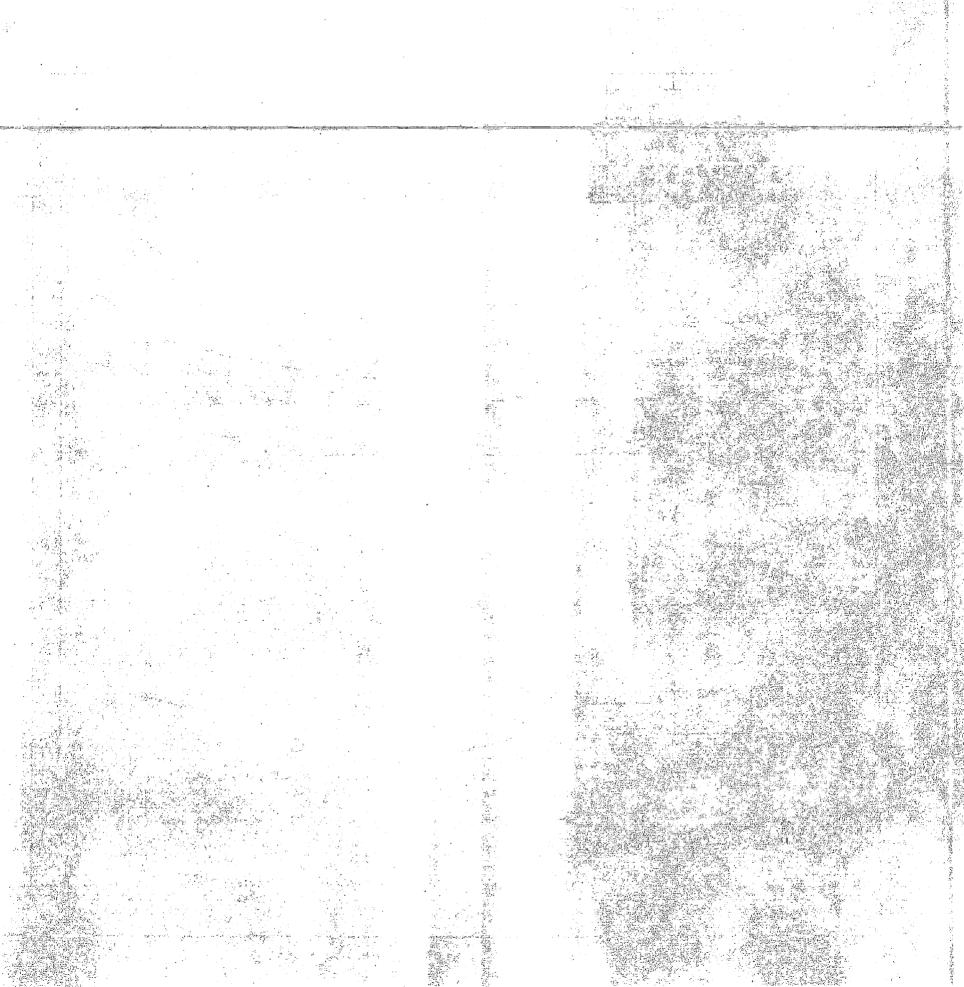


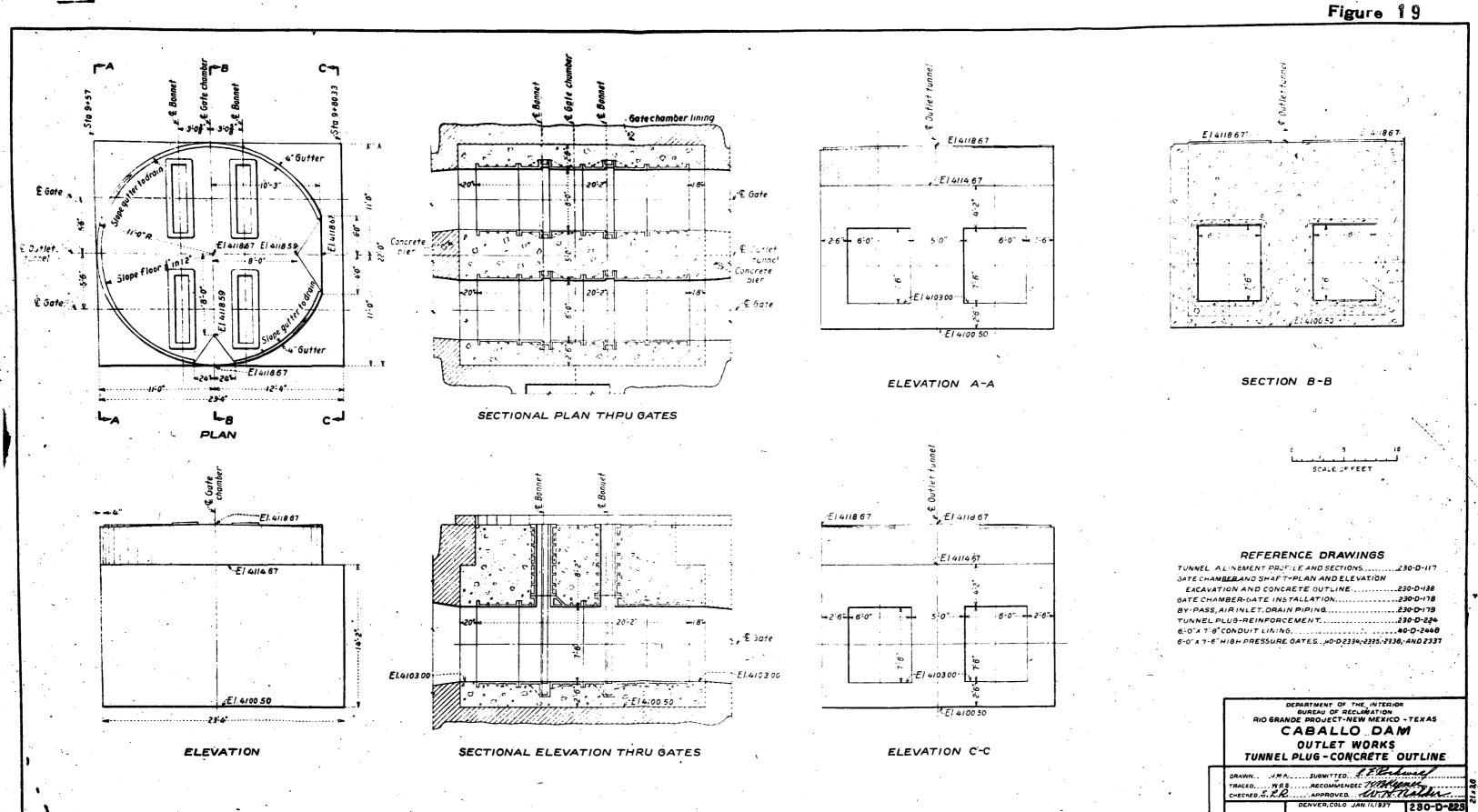


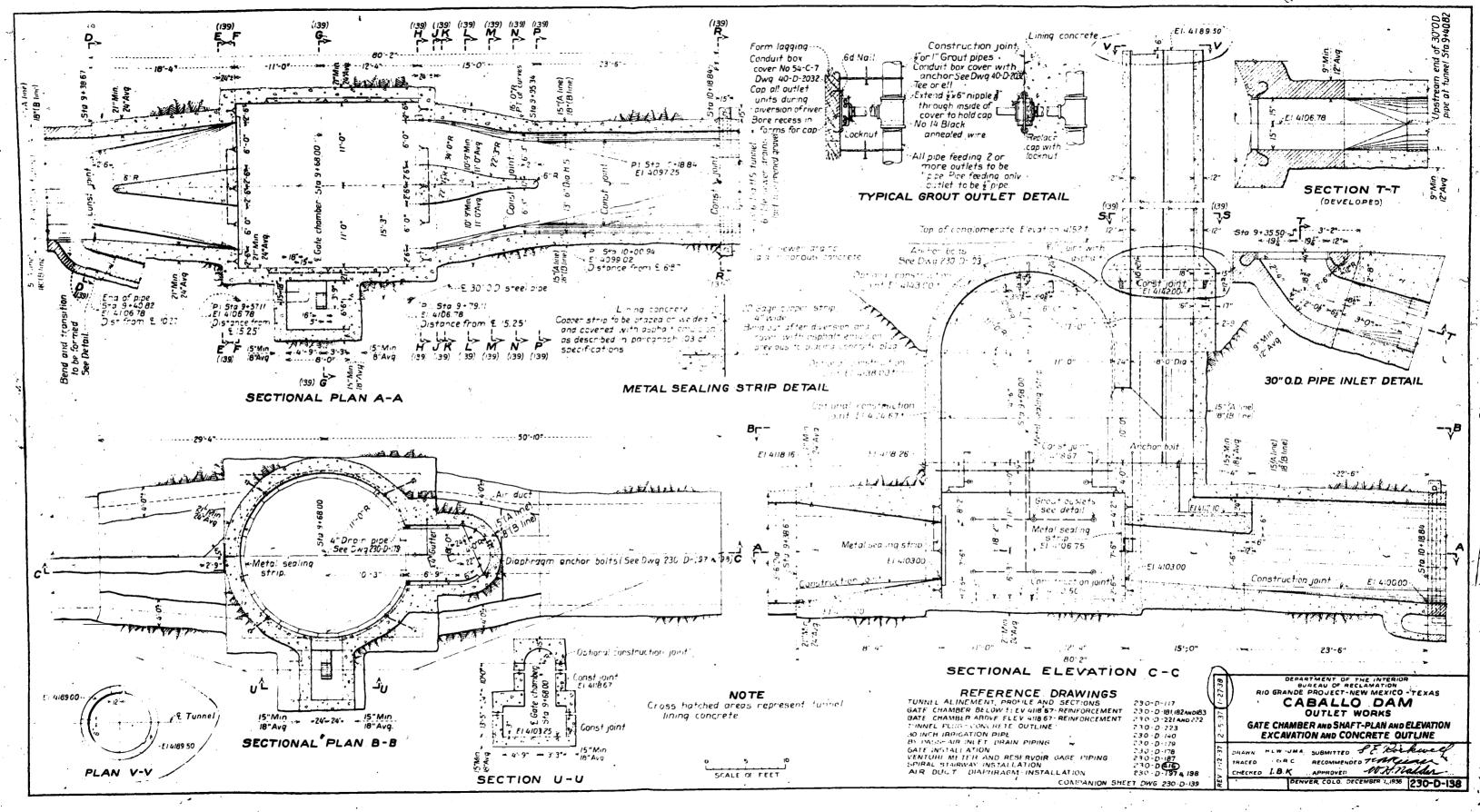






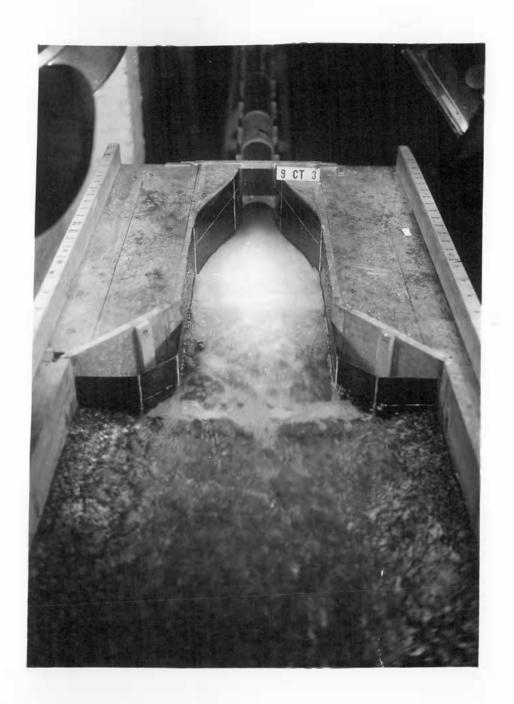






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The head discharge curves shown in Figure 27 were plotted from the model data on the assumption that,

Q prototype = 
$$n^{5/2}$$
 Q model

n being the scale ratio and Q the discharge. The assumption is an approximate one, but sufficient experimental data to provide a more accurate estimate of the true relations between models and prototype are lacking. Also shown in Figure 27 are the variations of the coefficient, C, in Q =  $\text{Clh}^{3/2}$ , with the head on the crest; and the variation of the dimensionless coefficient, C, in Q =  $\text{Clh} \sqrt{2\text{gh}}$ , with Froude's number  $F = \frac{v^2}{g^R}$ , in which v has been treated as a nominal

velocity equal to  $\sqrt{2gh}$  and R is a nominal hydraulic radius equal

to 
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, or  $\frac{hb}{4h/b}$  with the pier in place. The dimensionless

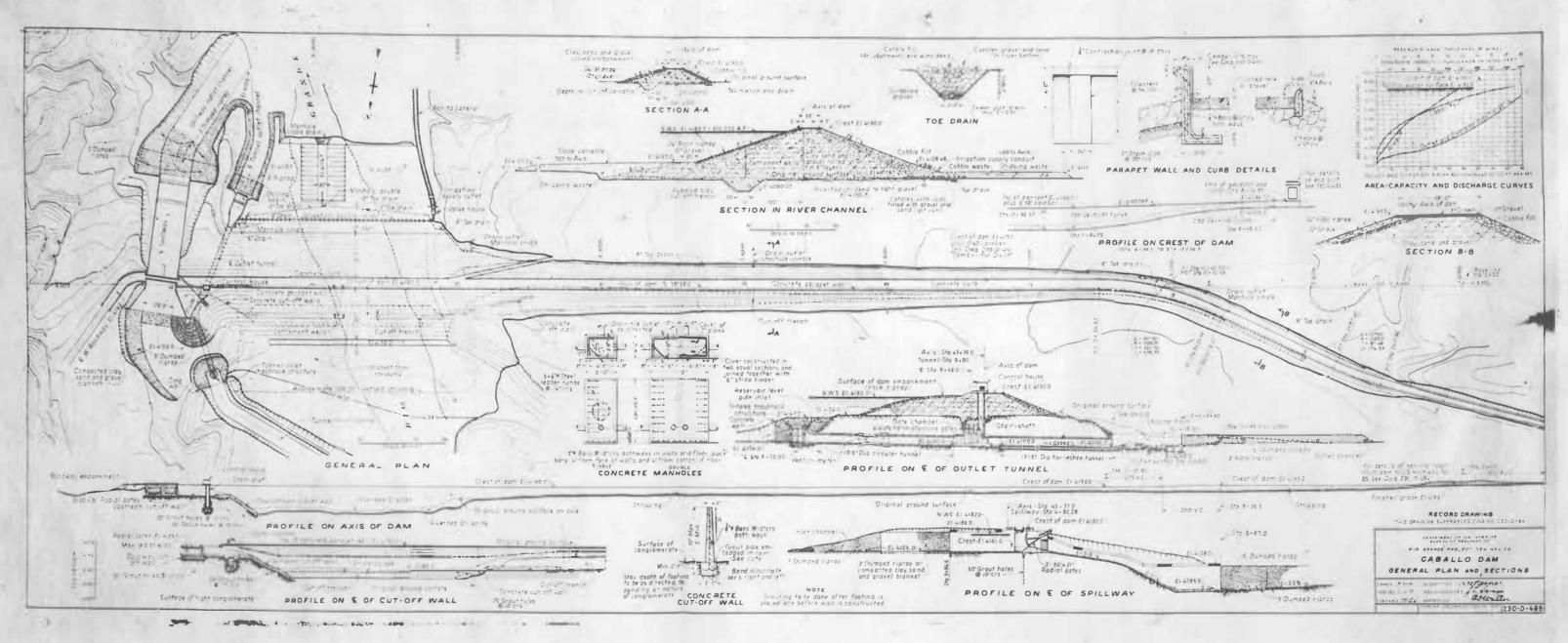
Froude's number curves are added primarily for their value in comparison with tests of other structures.

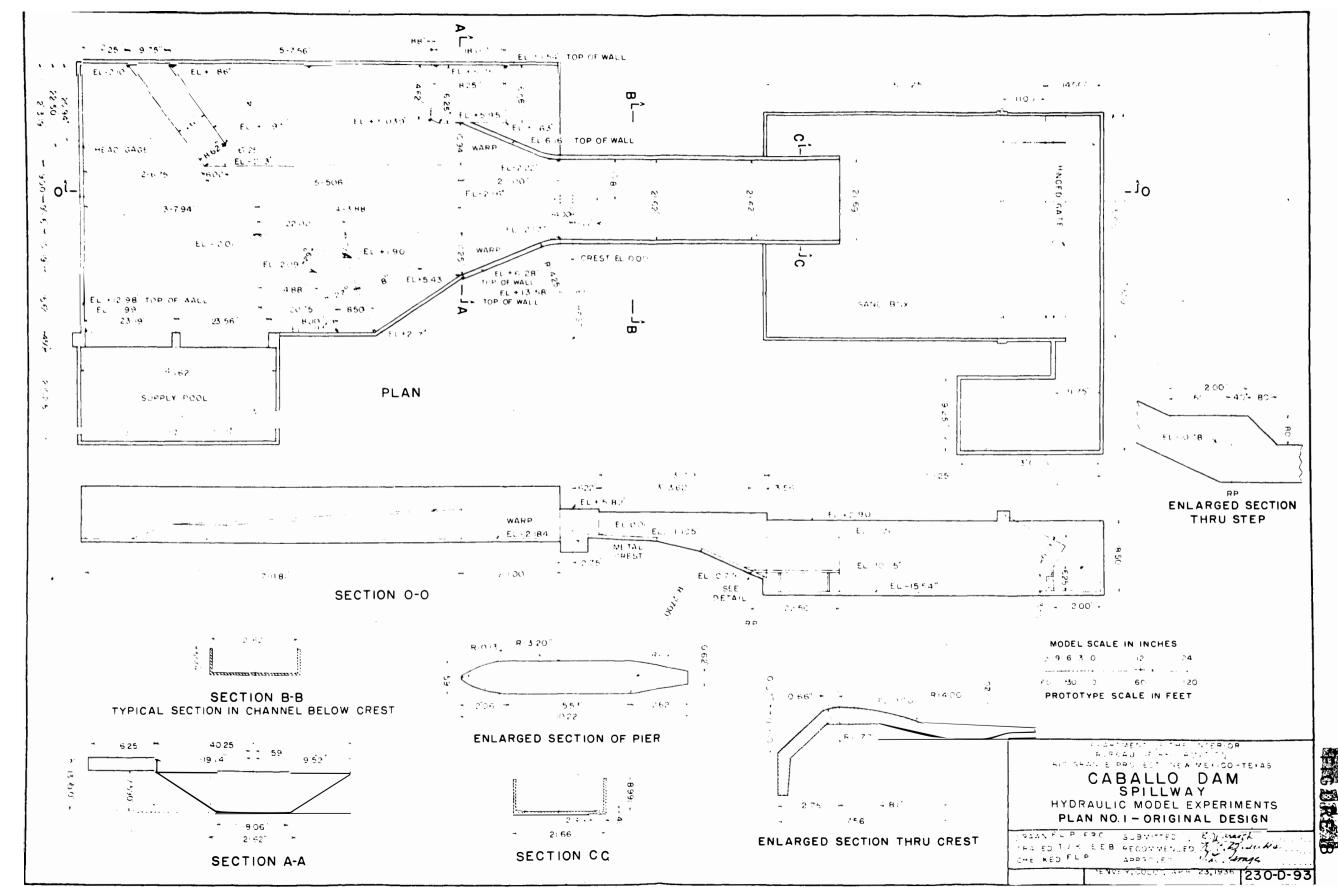
When the approach conditions were modified by introducing a sloping floor as shown in Figure 28-E, the head on the crest required to produce the specified discharge of 34,000 second-feet was found to be 5 percent greater than the designed head. At the designed head the discharge was reduced 7 percent. A gradual flat slope substituted for the curbed drop of the crest (Figure 28b) also decreased the discharge for maximum designed pond elevation.

Pressure heads observed at uniform intervals along the crest are plotted in Figure 29. All pressures for the low-dam crest are positive. A comparison of pressure heads and surface profiles may be made from the data shown on Figure 28.

Flow in the chute was rough (Plate X). Attempts to reduce this roughness were unsuccessful. However, the introduction of a dentated step and a sill into the pool eliminated all detrimental effects from this source.

Since one pool was to be used for both Plans Nos. 1 and 2, and the crest of Plan No. 2 was 30 feet higher than that of Plans No. 1, the higher crest and higher velocities of Plan No. 2 determined the design of the pool. Hence the pool shown for test 13-CA-2 (Figure 30 and Plate XIa and b) applies to the low-dam plan. The low crest was used for Test '3-CA-6 (Plate XIc and d). Because of the reduction in the amount of energy to be dissipated, the less efficient, drowned roller was formed, and the scour below the pool increased. For normal tailwater, however, (elevation 4118) the scour was not excessive.

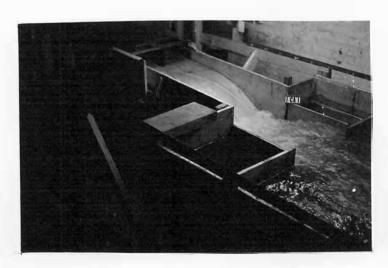




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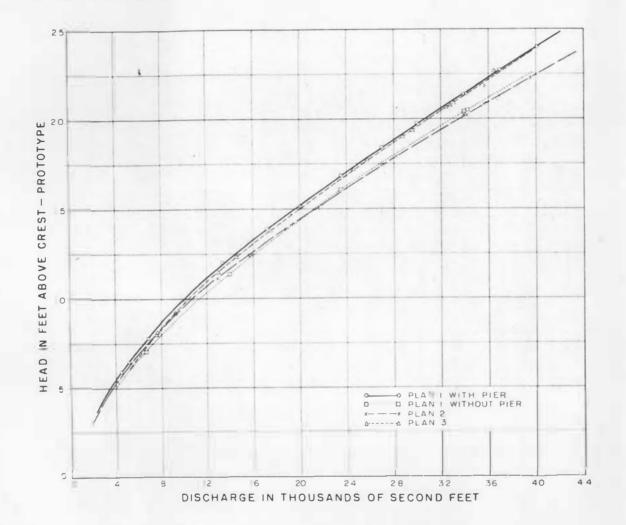
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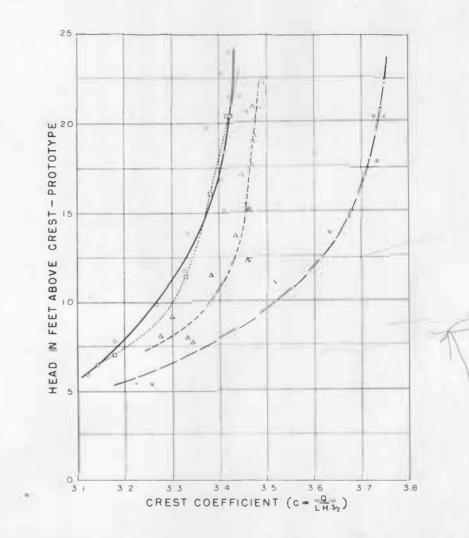


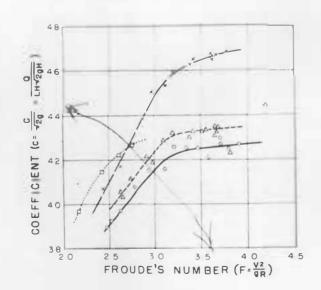
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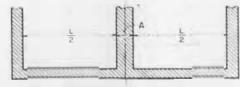


D. Original Spillway.









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CROSS-SECTION AT	CREST FOR	PLAN I

PLAN	MODEL(	INCHES)	PROTOTYPE (FEET)		
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I (WITH PIER)	20.03	1,59	100.15	7. 9 6	
1 (WITHOUT PIER)	21.62	-	108.10		
2 (WITH PIER)	20.05	1.54	100.25	7.70	
3 (WITH PIER)	20.00	1.64	100.00	8.20	

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Sill "R" (Figure 30) was designed from Sill "P" in an attempt to decrease the cost. The two governing dimensions, the total height and the slope of the notch inclines, were made approximately equal. Comparison of the performance of Sills "F" and "R" shows that Sill "R" was as good or better than Sill "P." Hence Sill "R" was recommended for the design (Figure 30, c and d, and Plates XId and XII).

In order to determine to what extent, if any, the effectiveness of sills wou d be impaired when the corners and edges became worn, tests were run on modifications of each type with all edges chamfered about 3-3/4 inches. No perceptible influence was noted.

Pressures were measured on the faces of both the dentated step and the dentated sill. Piezometer openings were located about three feet above the floor and on the centerline of the vertical face of each tooth of the step and along the centerline of the sloping downstream face of each tooth of the sill. In none of the tests made for Plan No. I were negative pressures observed. In subsequent tests for the other two plans, however, negative pressures were observed on the downstream faces of the dentated step (Figure 42). Dentated steps are discussed more fully on page 10 in conjunction with Plan No. 2. No improvement over Type "T" (Figure 32) was observed.

High dam--Plan No. 2. As was previously stated, the high dam was designed to increase the storage capacity from 100,000 to 350,000 acrefeet. The crest was 30 feet higher than that of the low dam, but no change in the chute or stilling-pool was to be involved.

The reconstructed model crest, shaped and covered with sheet metal and stiffened with angles, is shown on Figure 33. For the upstream fill, required to raise the bed elevation from 4120 to 4150, compacted sand was used.

The results of discharge and coefficient studies are illustrated in Figure 27. The same basis was used for the calculations of coefficients. It will be noted that the coefficients for Plan No. 2 are about 10 percent higher than those of Plans Nos. 1 and 3 at high heads.

The pressures obtained over this crest are shown in Figure 29. At a discharge slightly above maximum, a definitely negative pressure was obtained. Both pressures and water surfaces are plotted in Figure 28c.

Because the fins which formed in the chute were not prohibitive in size and their effects were adequately dissipated in the pool, no further attempt was made to reduce them (Plate XIIIa and Plate XIIb).

Regarding the stilling-pool, preliminary runs demenstrated that the floor was lower and longer than necessary. The floor was therefore raised 4 feet and shortened from 112.5 feet to 78.75 feet. Additional

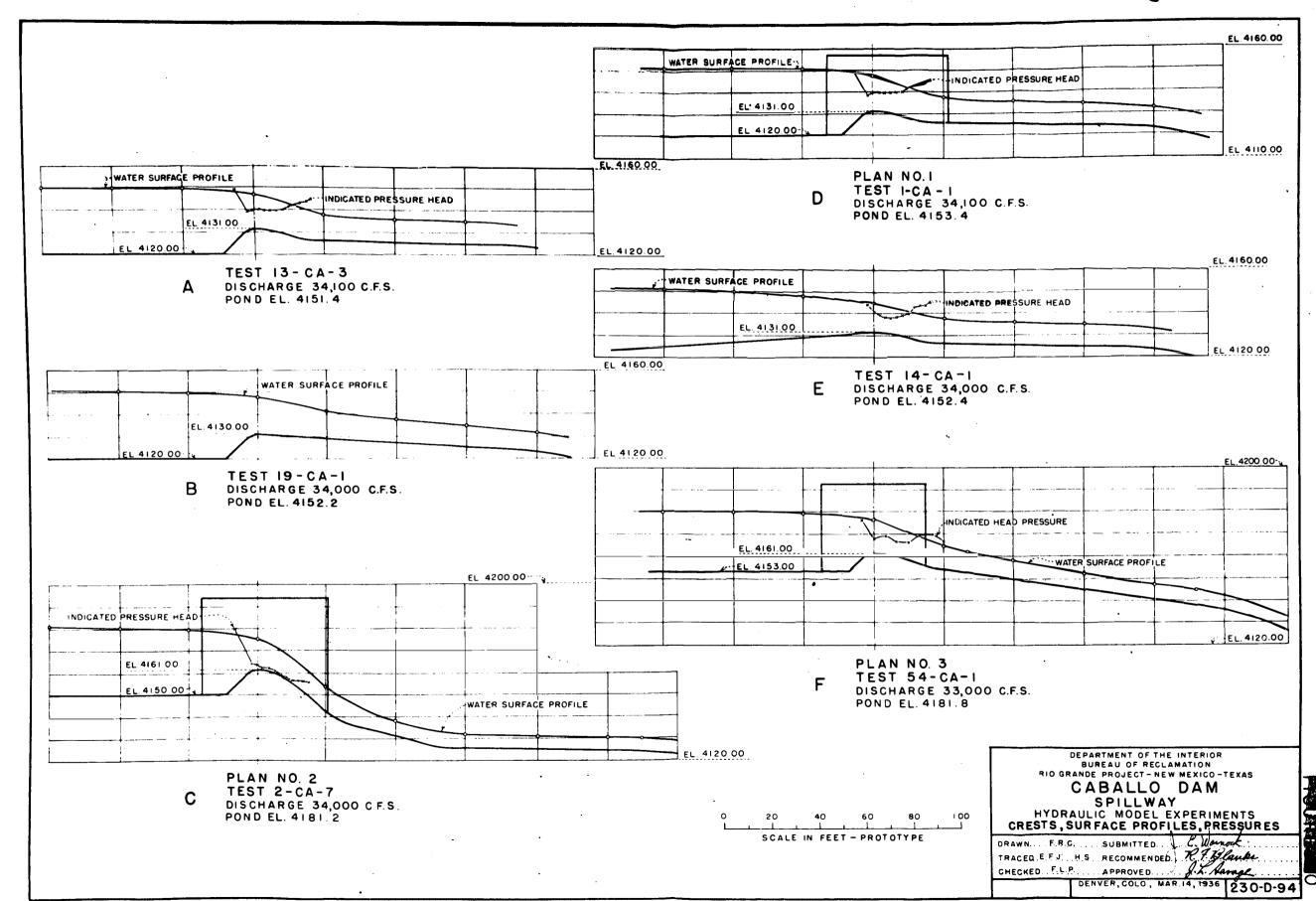


Figure 3



A. Discharge 34,100 c.f.s. Tailwater 4114.3.



C. Low Crest - No Pier.



B. Discharge 34,100 c.f.s. Tailwater 4111.5.



D. Sand Bed After Run, Tailwater 4114.3.





A. Discharge 34,000 c.f.s. Tailwater 4118.3.



C. Sand Bed After Run.



B. Discharge 33,900 c.f.s. Tailwater 4114.3.



D. Sand Bed After Run.

runs demonstrated that the floor should be lengthened. The remainder of the tests were made with a floor length of 88.13 feet and a side wall length of 78.75 feet.

Tests on dentated steps showed that "T" (Figure 32) was most effective. The steps "x" and "w" were not high enough to effectively break up the high-velocity jet. Other dentated steps were placed with the downstream edge at the intersection of the 2 to 1 slope and the horizontal pool floor, and varied little in effect from "R." The tops of the teeth were horizontal in all designs.

One series of tests was run with double dentated steps. The second row of teeth was located upstream and staggered with respect to the teeth in the first row. Additional energy was dissipated but not enough to justify the additional cost of construction.

Sills "A" to "F," inclusive, (Figure 31) were tested for Plan No. 2. Triangular sills were not effective. Square sills and square teeth were not satisfactory. Double rectangular sills (Test 5-GA-1) were very effective at normal tailwater (elevation 4118), but with a comparatively small drop in tailwater, the scour became excessive. Several Rehbock sills were tried. Sill "P" (Figure 31) was the most effective.

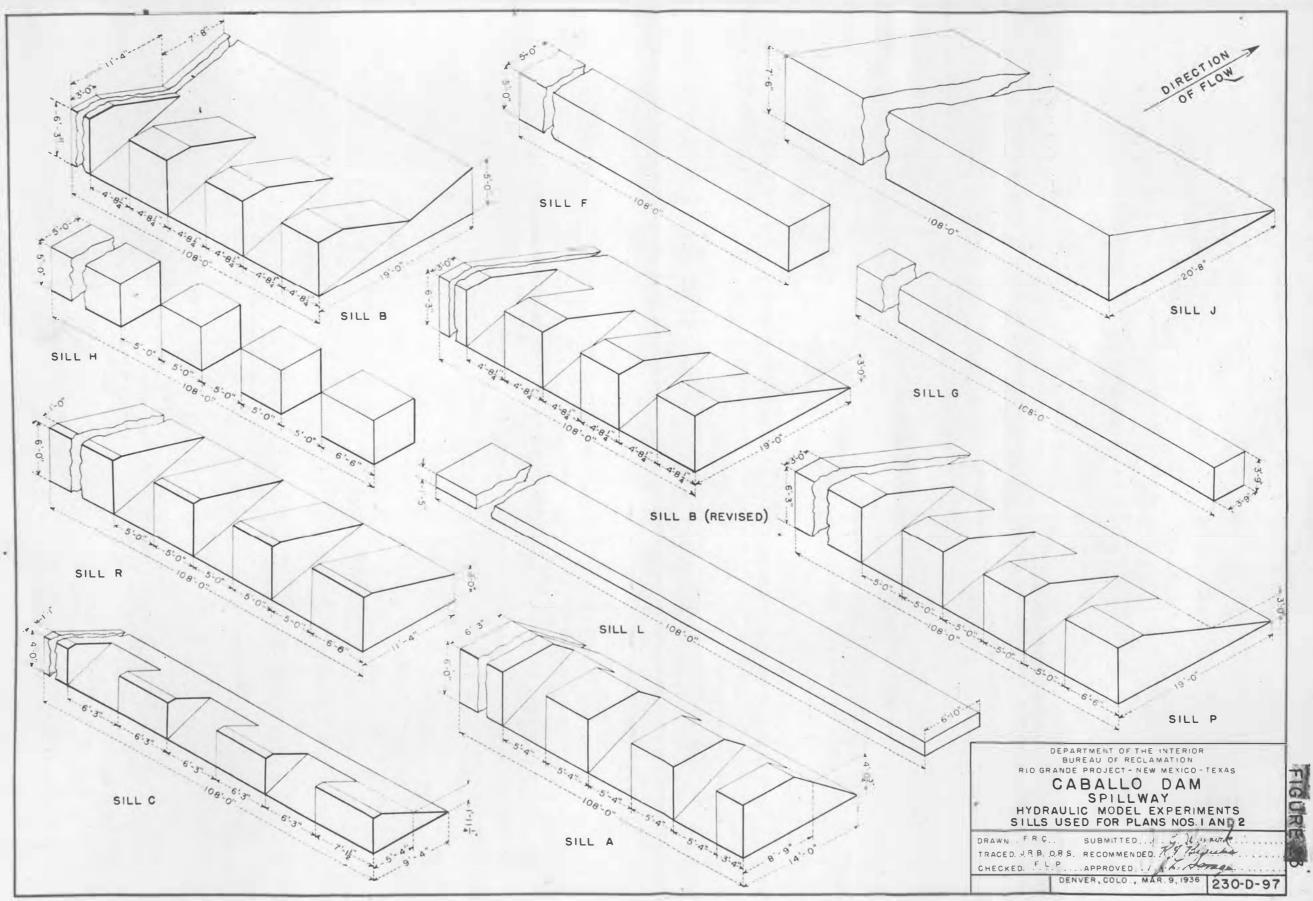
Because of the fillets installed at the sides of the pool, for structural reasons, and because of the distribution of the water in the pool, it was found that the two end teeth must be wider than the other teeth. Tests with the two end spaces filled or partially filled showed slightly less scour than with the spaces open. This improvement did not warrant a change in design.

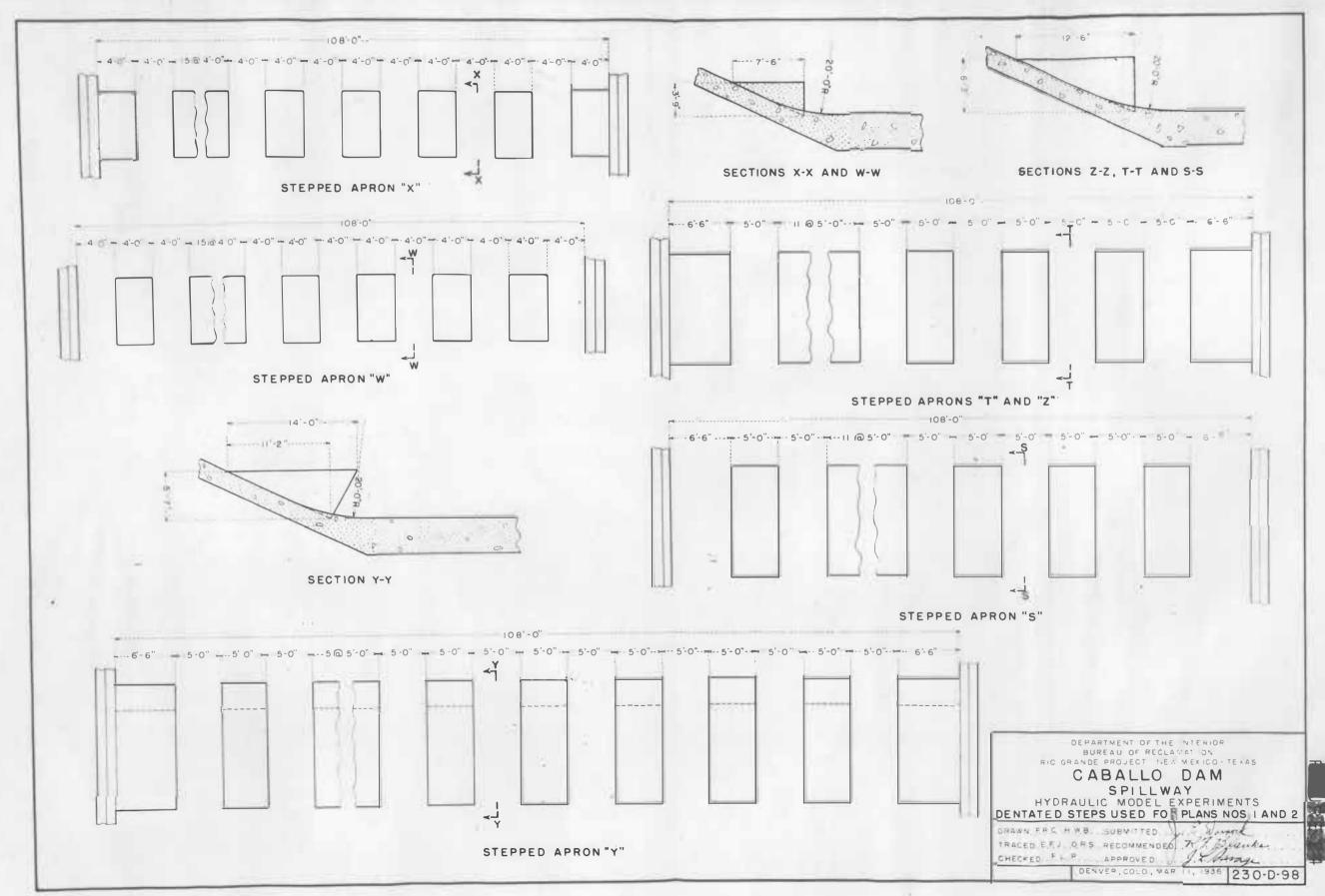
After the high crest was taken out, the size of the sill was computed from theoretical considerations and found to be excessive. Sill "R" was designed from Sill "P" and comparative tests (Figure 30) were run for the low crest (Plan No. 1). Since Sill "R" exhibited less scour, it was recommended for the final design.

The recommended position of the sill (Figure 34 and Plate XIII) is 34.67 feet from the upstream edge of the pool. The recommended length of the pool was 78.75 feet; the recommended floor length was 88.13 feet. Greater scour occurred for either a shorter or a longer pool.

Side whirls which occurred at the ends of the pool walls washed the material away from the retaining wall, and scoured holes at the downstream corners of the floor. Wide end teeth decreased this action. In another attempt to eliminate the scour and wash, small wing-walls 10 feet to 12.5 feet high and 9.4 feet long were added as extensions to the sidewalls. With the coarse sand used in the model, the scour was reduced. The wing-walls were therefore recommended (Plate XIV).

Hi h dam--Plan No. 3. The same scale (1 to 60) and general type of construction were used for Plan No. 3 as for the preceding models (Figures 35 and 36 and P'ate XV).







A. Final Design - Discharge 34,100 c.f.s.



C. Original Design from Upstream.



B. Original Design from Downstream.



D. Final Design - Discharge 34,100 c.f.s.

The crest, however, was made of concrete, polished smooth with a carborundum stone. The stilling-pool was made a continuation of the chute and was connected to the sandbox with a watertight joint at the end of the pool floor. The topography upstream from the crest was made of wood and lined with metal, and the topography in the sandbox was formed of sand and riprap replaced before each run.

Crest coefficients (Figure 27) and pressures (Figure 29) were found to be generally similar to those observed for Plan No. 1. This was to have been expected from the similarity of the crests. Little change in the characteristics of the flow in the chute was observed. Surface profiles obtained for Plan No. 3 are shown in Figure 43.

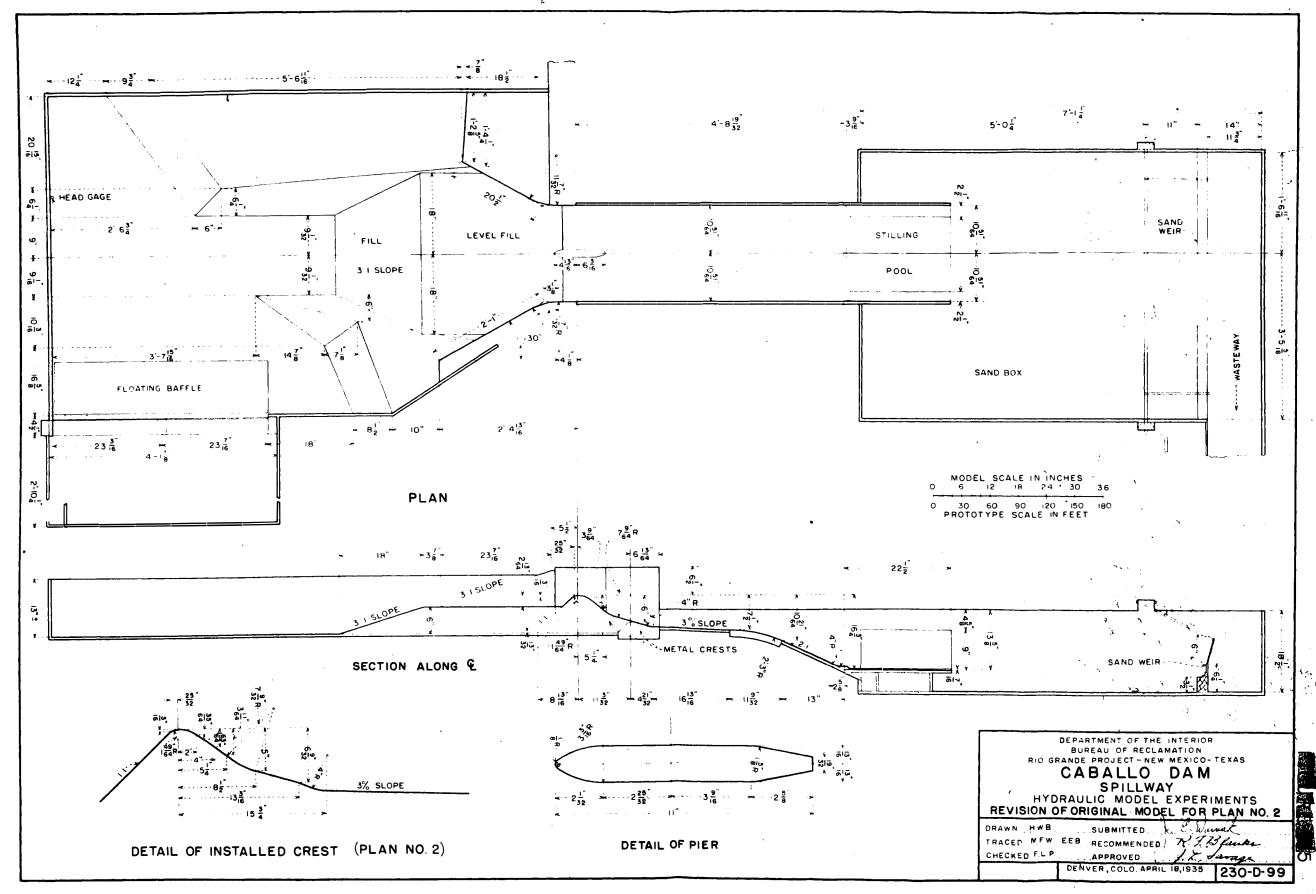
Numerous modifications of the pool designed were tried. The dentated step, "D3" (Figure 37) was not as effective as "D1" (Figure 37), but the difference in cost offsets the difference in effectiveness. In general, for a given tooth height, the more effective energy dissipation is obtained with the narrower tooth.

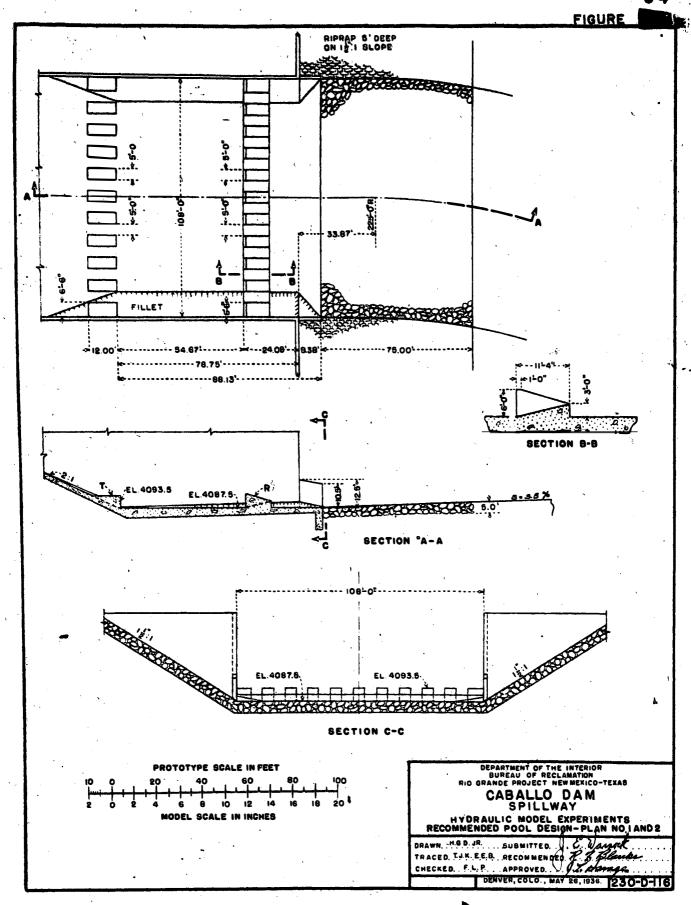
The design of a Rehbock or modified Rehbock sill consists in determining the height, the spacing of the teeth, and the slope of the base. In these tests two heights were tried. Sill "R3" (Figure 37) although only 5 feet high served better than either of the 6-foot sills (Figure 38 and Plate XVI). The spacing and width of the teeth should be from 0.8 to 1.0 times their height.

In practically all tests for Plan No. 3, greater scour occurred beyond the corners of the pool than beyond the center. In an attempt to correct this scour caused by fillets in the pool and by side whirls at the end of the pool, various widths of end teeth were used. With a space instead of a tooth adjacent to the sidewall, scour at the corners was very deep. With the end teeth equal in width to the other teeth, the scour was deep. But with the end teeth two to three times the width of the other teeth, the scour was greatly reduced (Figure 39 and Plate XVII). This is in accord with Rehbock's findings. However, with larger end teeth, greater scour occurred at the center. An end tooth with twice the width of the other teeth was recommended. An attempt to eliminate this scour by raising the end teeth was unsuccessful.

The slope of the base between the teeth influences the direction of the high-velocity flow. A steep slope directs the high-velocity water toward the surface while a mild slope permits a higher velocity nearer the bottom. The slopes varied from 15 degrees (R3) to 25 degrees 42 minutes (R6). The Sill R6 drew material up near the sill better than Sill R3 (Figure 38 and Flate XVIII), but was not satisfactory because scour at the left corner was increased.

A combination sill developed in experiments for the Moon Lake Project was next tried. The combination sill is a dentated sill superimposed on a plain rectangular sill (Figure 38, Sill  $R_{3c}$ ). The combination sill appeared to accomplish a more complete dissipation of energy.





Both sills R<sub>3</sub> and R<sub>6</sub> were tried in combination with a rectangular sill 2.34 feet wide and 1.50 feet high. Both combinations worked well, but the former caused a very pronounced secondary roller downstream. The latter combination called R<sub>3C</sub> produced less scour and side wash than any other and was therefore chosen for the final recommendation (Figure 38 and Flate XVIII).

The results of tests on different lengths of pool are shown in Figure 41 and Plate XIX. As is readily apparent, an optimum length of pool exists from which changes in the direction either of lengthening or shortening result in an increase in the scour. A pool length of 55 feet (Figure 40) appeared to produce results as satisfactory as those obtained with the 60-foot pool, but because of its adaptability to a slightly greater range of tailwater elevations, the 60-foot pool was recommended.

Considerable attention was given to the elimination of effects destructive to the downstream embankments. As previously stated, wide end teeth and the combination sill (R3c) partially reduced the sill whirl which washed material away from the sidewalls and the scour at the corner (P ate XVII). Longer sidewalls and supplementary walls failed to effect any improvement. The measures finally found necessary to prevent the erosion of the banks included a reduction of the streambed side slope to 3 to 1 and an increase in the depth of the riprap to 5 feet. It is possible that with prototype materials a steeper slope would be permissible (Figure 45 and Plates XX and XXI).

The small wing-walls recommended for Plan No. 2 proved objectionable for Plan No. 3. With riprap in place, the wing-walls appeared to increase the side wash slightly without materially changing the scour.

The pressure measurements made in the stilling-pool (Figure 42) yielded the following conclusions:

- a. The piezometer in the downstream face of the dentated step tooth, at maximum discharge and normal tailwater, showed a slight negative pressure and an increasing negative pressure at maximum discharge as the tailwater was lowered. As the discharge was reduced, the piezometer showed an increasing positive pressure.
- b. The piezometer in front of the sill indicated an increase in the pressure with a drop in tailwater, the discharge being held at maximum. When the discharge was lowered, the pressure also fell off.
- c. The piezometers between the step and the sill show the effects of the change in direction of the flow and the superposition of the roller. These varied directly with the discharge and with the tailwater elevation.

Recapitulating, the following results of the studies for Plan No. 3 may be emphasized.





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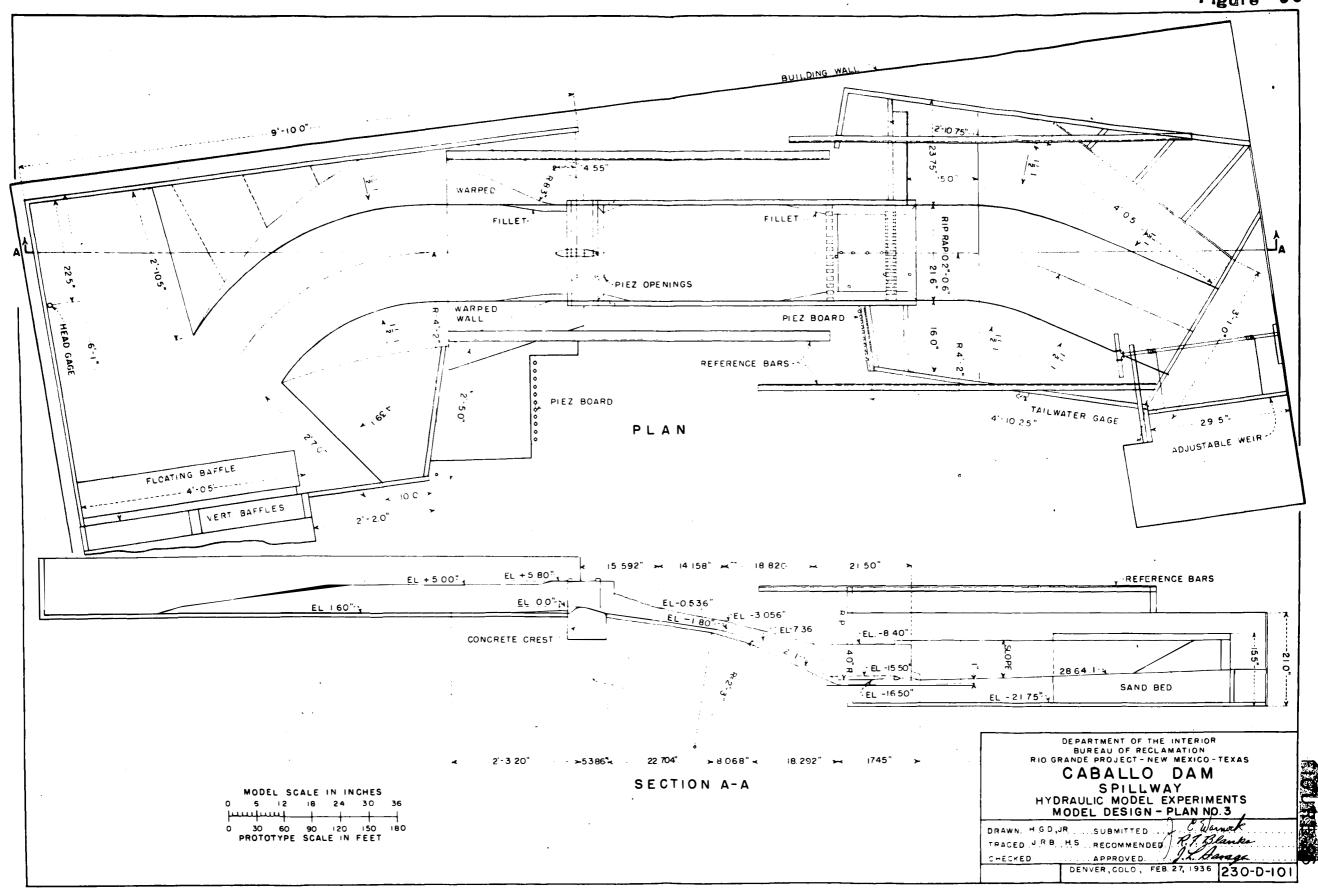
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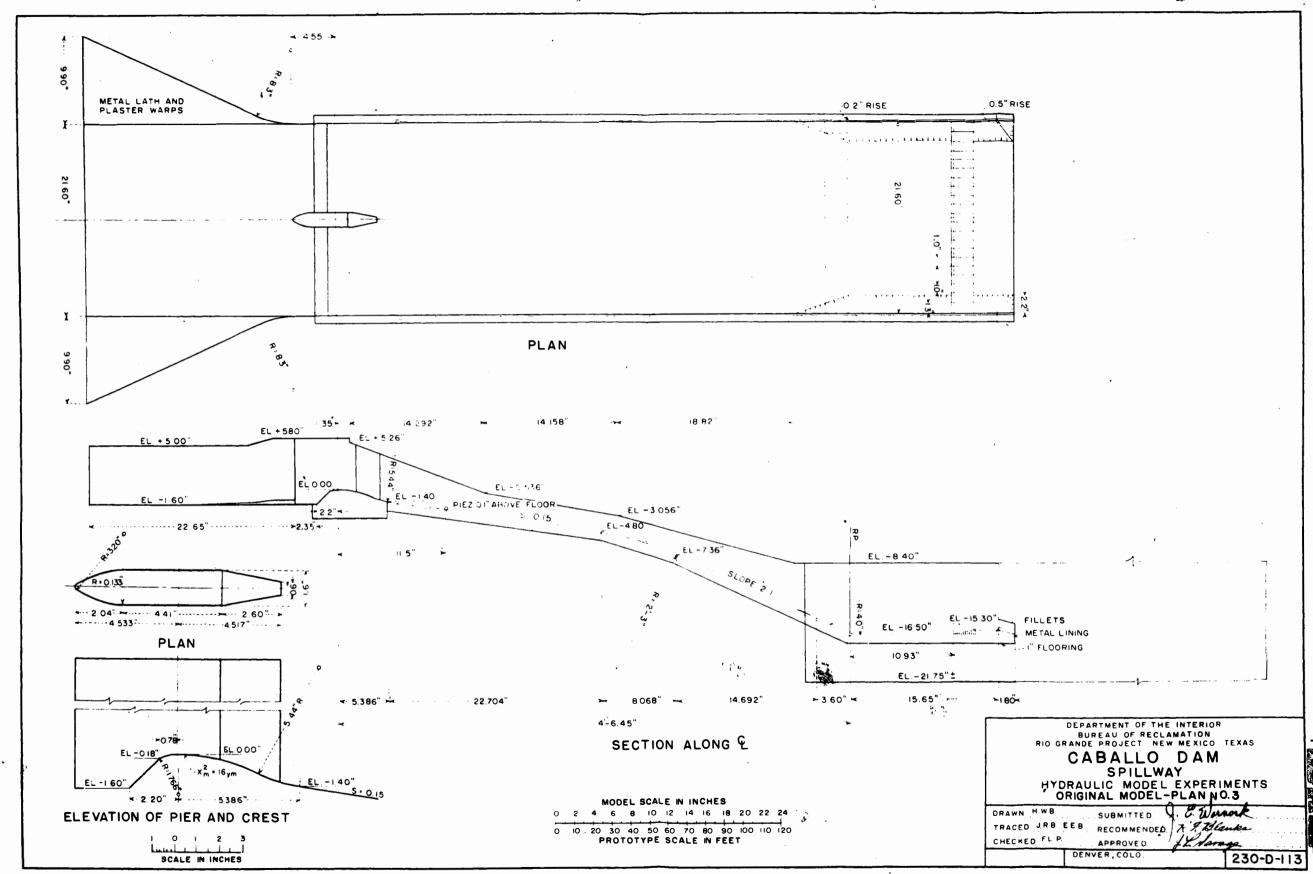


C. Sand Bed After Run, Tailwater 4118.3.



D. Sand Bed After Run, Tailwater 4114.3.



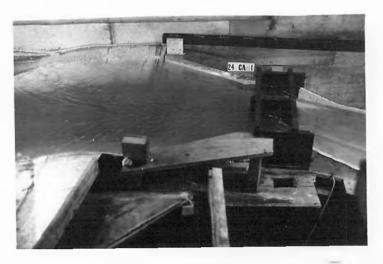




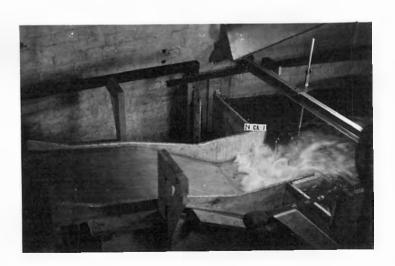
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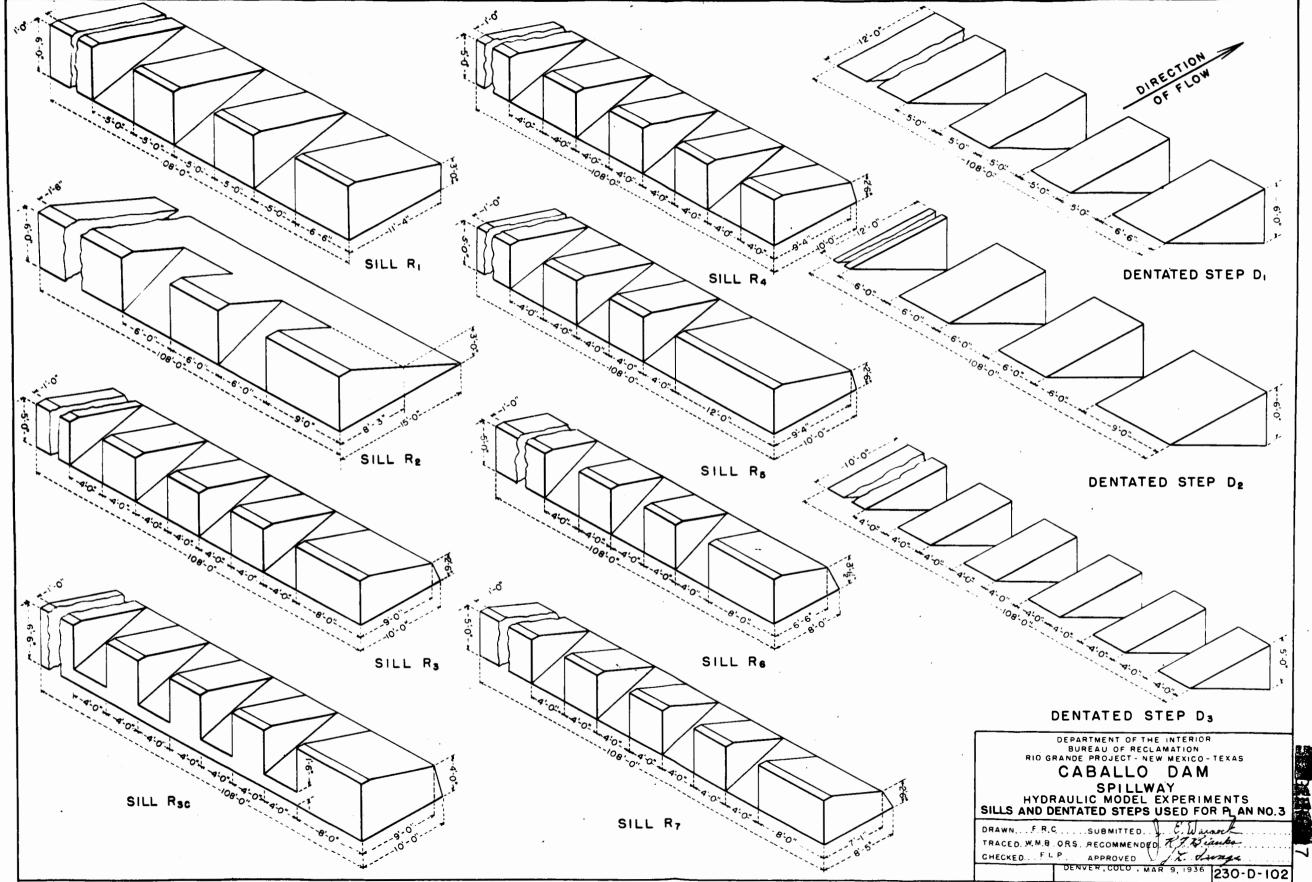
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C. Discharge 33,100 c.f.s. - Crest.



D. Discharge 33,100 c.f.s. Crest



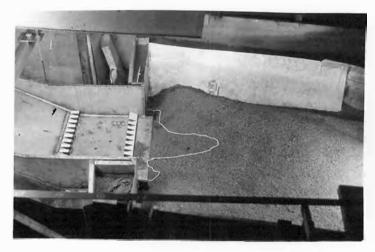
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A. Sand Bed After Run - Double tooth.



C. Sand Bed After Run - Triple Tooth.



B. Sand Bed After Run - Single Tooth.



D. Riprap After Run - Triple Tooth.



A. Sand Bed After Run - Sill  $\mathbf{R_{3}} \bullet$ 



C. Sand Bed After Run - Sill R3c.

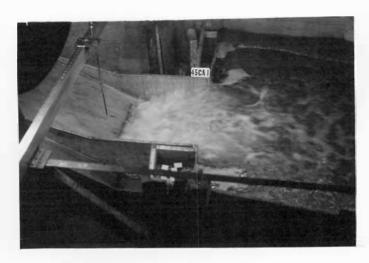


B. Sand Bed After Run - Sill  $R_6$ .



D. Riprap After Run - Sill R<sub>3c</sub>.





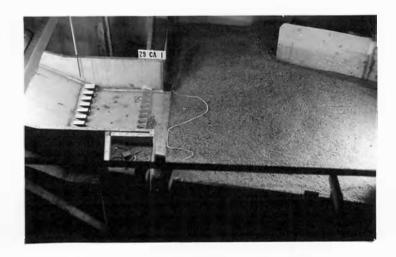
A. Q=33,050 C.F.S. T.W.=4118.7 55 FT. - R.P. to Sill R<sub>3</sub>.



C. Sand Bed After Run - Sill R1.



B. Q=33,000 T.W. 4118
60 FT. - R.P. to Sill R<sub>3</sub>.



D. Sand Bed After Run - Sill R3.

The side slopes of 1-1/2 to 1 as used in the model were too steen. The sand was washed out from under the riprap, permitting the riprap to subside and collect in the bed. As a result scour in the bed was completely obscured for considerably more than the normal duration of the run. Side slopes of 3 to 1 maintained their integrity very well. Sand from downstream was in s me instances carried up and deposited on the riprap. A very small amount of scour appeared in the riprap floor, principally at the left corner near the pool floor.

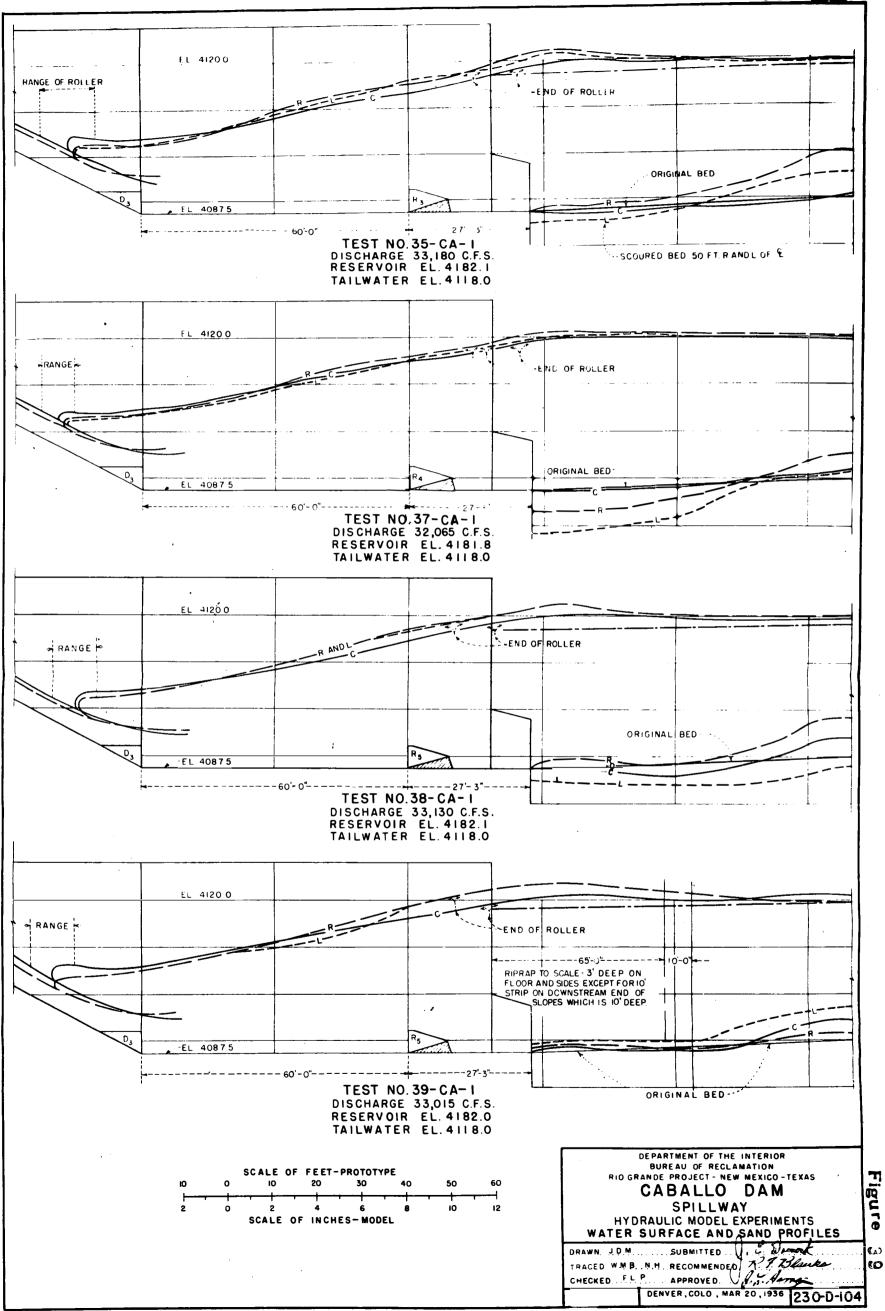
The small wing-walls of Plans Nos. 1 and 2 were not necessary with the riprar in place. Although in sand the wing-walls were advantageous, their effect was detrimental with the riprap. Floor scour was diminished, but the sloughing of the side slores was increased by the wing-walls.

Wide end teeth were advantageous because of the fillets installed for structural reasons and because of their effect in minimizing the side whirls at the end of the pool floor.

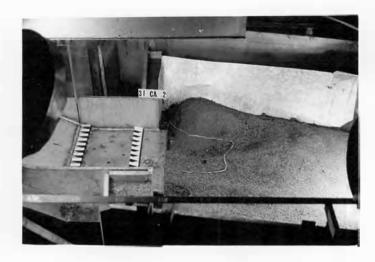
The combination sill proved most effective in decreasing scour and side whirls. Rehbock sills with mild slopes produced less sand movement in the tailwater channel but did not seem to prevent destructive side whirls. Rehbock sills with steep slopes drew material upon the appronal floor through the agency of a larger ground roller. Double rectangular sills were good for the designed tailwater, but did not maintain a surface roller with a decrease of tailwater depth.

The dentated step should be as high or slightly less high than the thickness of the descending sheet of water. The narrower the teeth the more effective is the dissipation of energy.

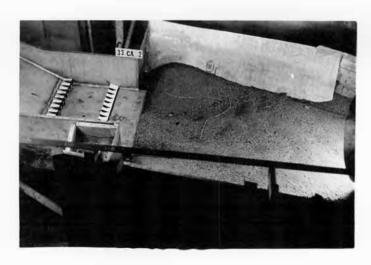
In Figure 43 are shown water-surface profiles and sections for Plan No. 3. Figures 44 and 45 and Plates XX and XXI illustrate the final model design in detail.



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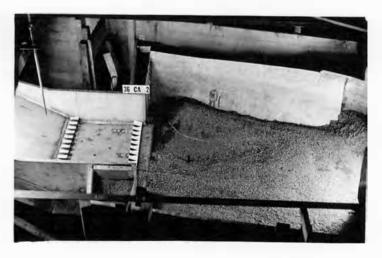
A. Sand Bed After Run - 50-foot pool.



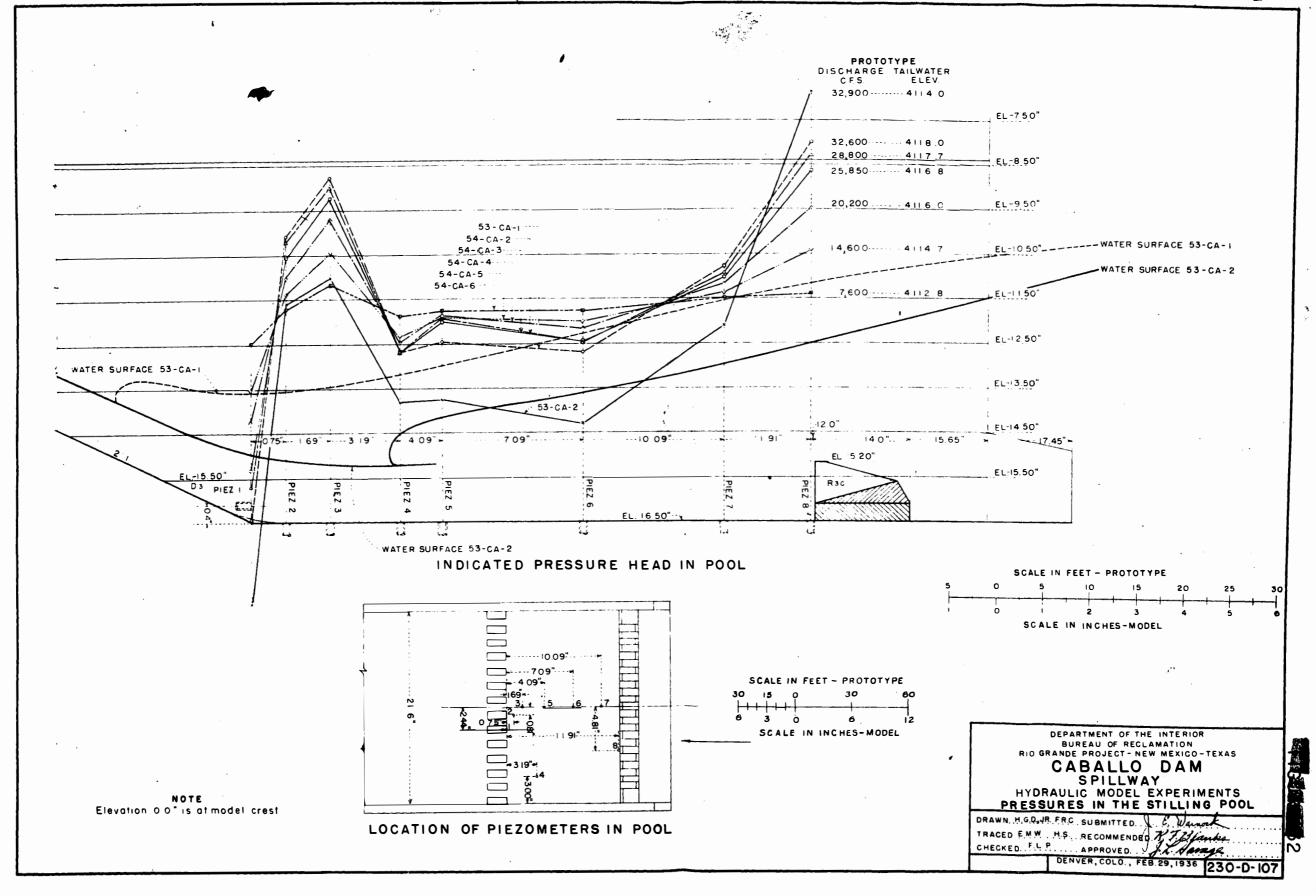
B. Sand Bed After Run - 45-foot pool.



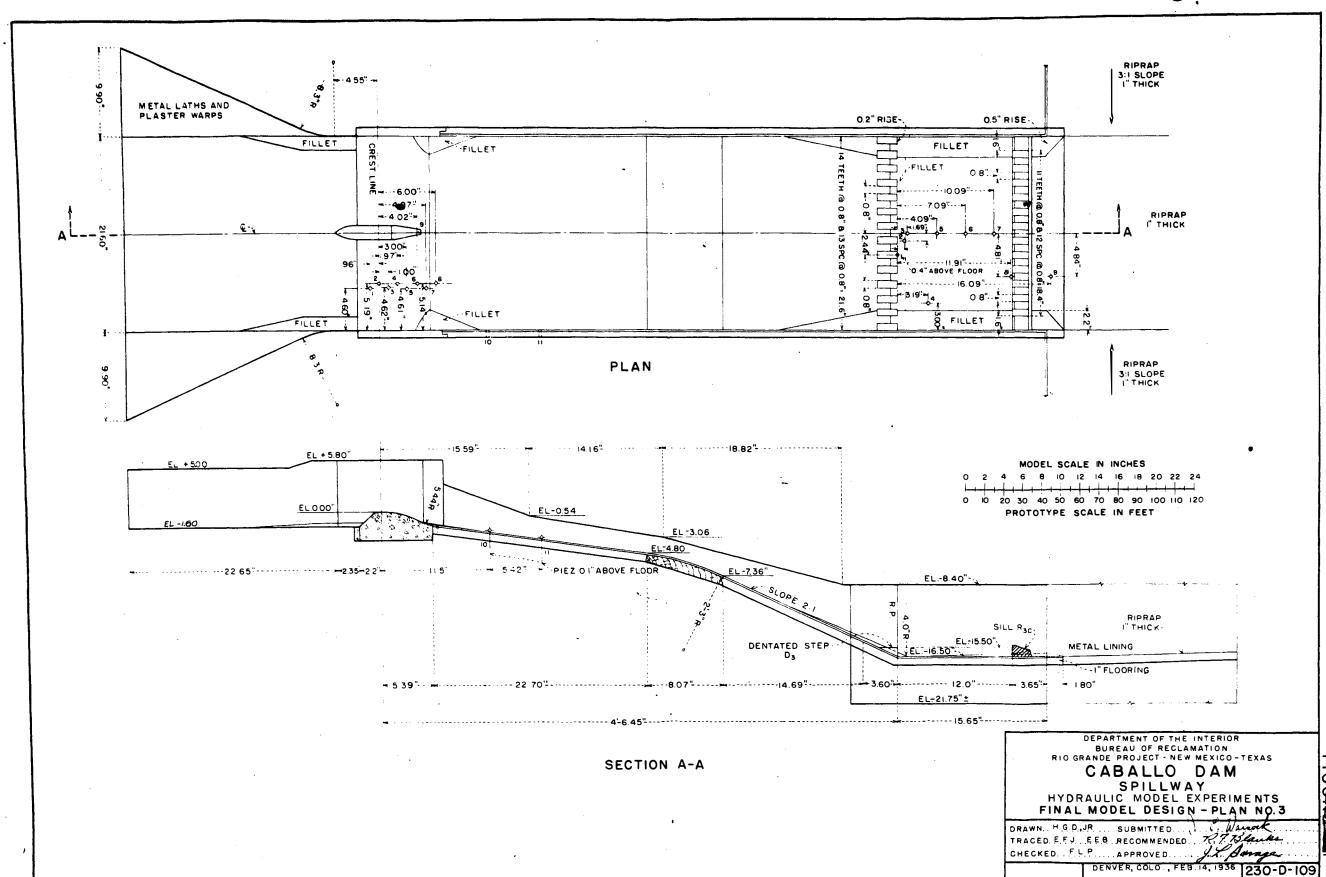
C. Sand Bed After Run - 55-foot pool

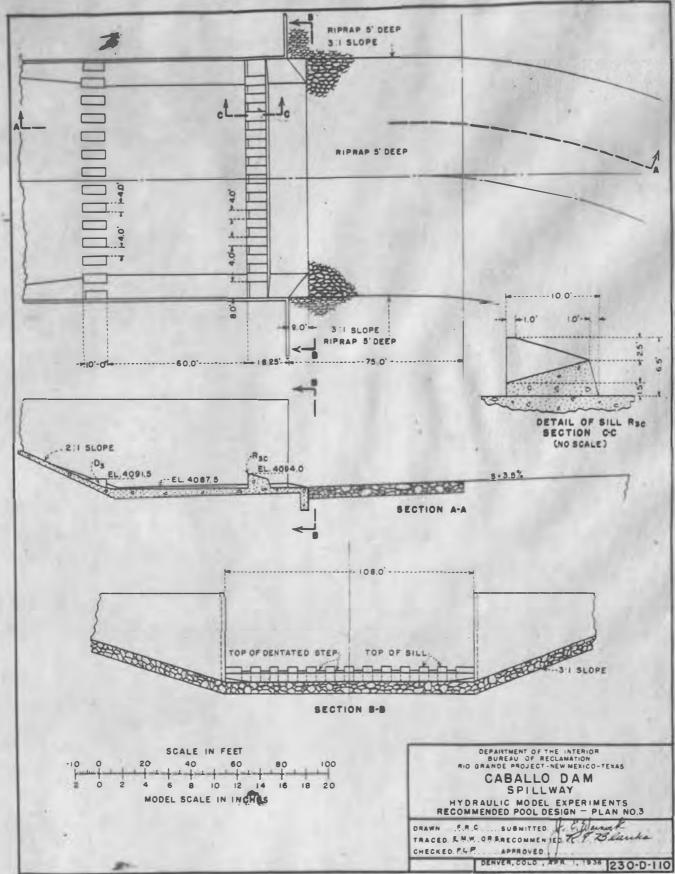


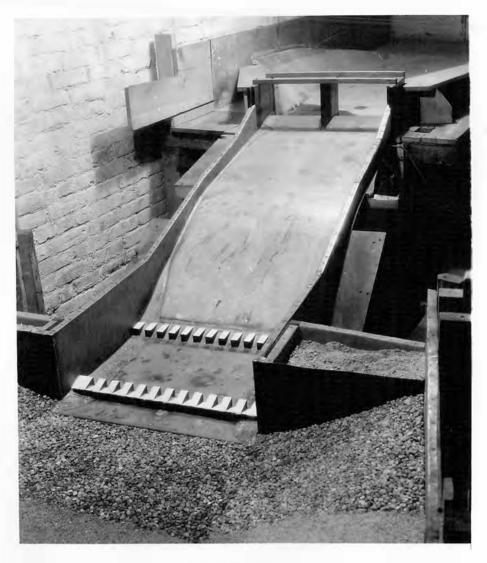
D. Sand Bed After Run - 65-foot pool.



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BEFORE RUN



SCOURED BED - 33,000 C.F.S. 2 HRS. @ 4114 T.W., \frac{1}{2} HR. @ 4118 T.W.

TITALE MOTEST TOTALE



POOL ACTION - 33,000 C.F.S.- T.W. 4114



SCOURED BED - 33,000 C.F.S.- T.W. 4114 & 4118



POOL ACTION - 33,000 C.F.S.- T.W. 4118

FINAL DESIGN - PIAN 3