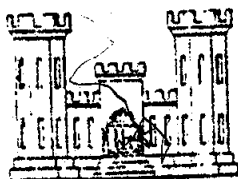


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## CHAPTER I - INTRODUCTION

1. Purpose and scope. - This office report has been prepared to present basic hydrologic data and criteria for the Truckee River Basin, California and Nevada. This data is intended for use in feasibility studies for providing additional flood protection to the Truckee Meadows area at and below Reno, Nevada. This report discusses the hydrologic characteristics of the basin, presents an analysis of flow-frequencies, and describes the development of standard project and probable maximum floods resulting from winter type rain storms and summer-fall type cloudbursts. An analysis of spring snowmelt floods is not required for this study since these types of floods are essentially non-damaging in the Truckee Meadows area under existing conditions of upstream regulation.

2. Previous studies. - Several earlier studies of the Truckee River Basin have been conducted by this office. Reports pertaining to hydrologic studies are tabulated below.

a. Office Report, Truckee River Basin, California and Nevada, Standard Project Flood, Truckee River at Reno, Nevada, July 1957.

b. Interim Survey Report for Flood Control, Reno Area, Truckee River and Tributaries, California and Nevada, Appendix A, Hydrology, March 1960.

c. Flood Plain Information, Truckee River, Reno-Sparks-Truckee Meadows, Nevada, October 1970.

d. Master Report on Reservoir Regulation for Flood Control, Truckee River Reservoirs, Nevada and California, December 1971.

e. Flood Plain Information, Steamboat Creek and Tributaries, Steamboat and Pleasant Valleys, Nevada, June 1972.

f. Flood Plain Information, Truckee River and Martis Creek, Truckee, California, June 1974.

CHAPTER II  
DESCRIPTIVE HYDROLOGY

3. Description of area. -

a. General. - The Truckee River Basin, shown on chart 1, is located in eastern California and western Nevada. The river drains about 1,070 square miles of mountainous terrain above Reno including about 500 square miles above the Lake Tahoe outlet. Most of the runoff from the basin originates on the eastern slopes of the Sierra Nevada, which rise to over 10,000 feet in this region. Lake Tahoe effectively controls all rainfloods originating above it. The Truckee River begins at the outlet of Lake Tahoe, located on the northwestern shore of the lake, where an outlet structure regulates flow into the river. From the lake, the river flows about 15 miles in a northerly direction to the town of Truckee, California, then northeasterly about 40 miles to the City of Reno, Nevada. Below Reno the river flows about 50 miles easterly and northerly to Pyramid Lake, a remnant of prehistoric Lake Lahontan. The stream basin has no outlet to the sea. The main tributaries below Lake Tahoe are the Little Truckee River, Prosser, Donner, Martis, and Steamboat Creeks. Near Reno the river enters a vast meadow, the western and northern sections of which are occupied by the cities of Reno and Sparks. The eastern portion of the meadow, which is known as Truckee Meadows, is low in elevation and poorly drained. During large runoff periods this area is flooded extensively.

The largest tributary to the Truckee River in the Reno area is Steamboat Creek. This stream originates at the outlet of Washoe Lake, a large flat depression that stores all flood runoff originating above it, drains the southern and eastern part of Truckee Meadows, and enters the Truckee River near Vista. Evans, Dry, Thomas, Whites and Galena Creeks are tributaries to Steamboat Creek and originate on the northeastern slopes of Mt. Rose. Evans and Dry Creek combine below Highway 395 to form Boynton Slough.

North Truckee Drain consists of a natural channel, now largely improved and realigned to provide better drainage of Spanish Springs Valley and the northeasterly sector of Truckee Meadows.

Stream channels in the Truckee River system range from the precipitous tributaries discharging into Lake Tahoe, with slopes of more than 500 feet per mile, to the comparatively flat slopes of less than 10 feet per mile in the lower Truckee River near Pyramid Lake. Streambed profiles of the river system are shown on chart 2.

The major population centers in the basin are located at Reno and around Lake Tahoe. Elsewhere, population is sparse with only a few small towns and settlements. The principal economic activities in the Reno-Truckee Meadows area are the gaming and warehousing industries.

Elsewhere in the basin, tourism, gaming, lumbering, farming, and ranching are the primary economic activities.

b. Geology. - In early geologic times, the Sierra Nevada had a low relief and formed the western shores of lakes which occupied the Great Basin. The present range came into being about the beginning of the Quaternary Period after an era of intense volcanic activity and crustal folding. It is composed largely of granite rock, massive granite batholiths having invaded the folds of the ancestral range during the period of mountain building. Subsequent erosion of the older rock covering has exposed the granites over large areas. Blockfaulted depressed areas filled with gravel and alluvium by the streams which flow through them form the valleys which exist today.

c. Topography. - The Sierra Nevada near the headwaters of the Truckee River tributaries is characterized by rugged rocky peaks, precipitous cliffs, steep canyons, and occasional small meadows and lakes. The lower portion of the basin consists of scattered valleys and dry lakebeds separated by mountain ranges. Elevations within the basin range from 3,900 to over 10,000 feet. About half of the area tributary to the Truckee River between Lake Tahoe and Lawton is above 6,500 feet, but only 10% is above 8,000 feet. Topography and area-elevation curves are shown on charts 3 and 4, respectively.

d. Soils and vegetative cover. - Much of the high mountain area is barren and has little soil cover, although where soil depths and precipitation are adequate, good stands of conifers exist. Below about elevation 5,000 feet, precipitation is sufficient for only sage brush and other desert shrubs. Valleys and meadows watered by running streams produce growths of native grasses. In the lower valleys, the native vegetation has been replaced to a considerable extent by irrigated crops. Most of the soils are alluvial, consisting of materials eroded from the mountainous areas. Some lake sediments laid down by ancient Lake Lahontan, which covered a large portion of the state of Nevada, are found along with the alluvial soils. Soils of the valleys are classified as gravelly or sandy loams on the alluvial slopes, and as silty or clay loams on the bottom lands. They are naturally very fertile, and, in general, are not strongly alkaline, although, without proper drainage, alkali concentrations may reduce their productivity.

4. Flood control and related water resources development. - Flood control and conservation developments in the basin are summarized in the following paragraphs:

a. Projects completed by the Bureau of Reclamation in the Truckee River Basin are the Newlands project, the Truckee River storage project, and the Washoe project. The Newlands project, completed in 1915, consists of the Lake Tahoe outlet control structure; the 290,000 acre-foot Lahontan Reservoir and appurtenant power facilities on the Carson River near Fallon; the Derby Diversion Dam on Truckee River; the Truckee Canal extending from Derby Dam to Lahontan Reservoir; and the facilities for

the distribution of irrigation water in the Carson River Basin in the vicinity of Fallon.

The Truckee River storage project, completed in 1939, consists of the 41,100 acre-foot Boca Reservoir on Little Truckee River, together with appurtenant distribution facilities for irrigation. Completed in 1970, the portion of the Washoe project above Reno consists of the 29,800 acre-foot Prosser Creek Reservoir on Prosser Creek and the 226,500 acre-foot Stampede Reservoir on Little Truckee River, about 4 miles upstream from Boca Reservoir. The completed three-reservoir complex of Boca, Stampede, and Prosser Reservoirs provides a total of 50,000 acre-feet of flood control storage and additional flood protection to Reno, Sparks, and the Truckee Meadows area.

b. Developments by the Corps of Engineers include a channel modification project authorized by the Flood Control Act of 1954, consisting mainly of widening and deepening the Truckee River channel through Truckee Meadows for about 7.5 miles, extending from the downstream limits of Reno to a point near Vista; minor channel improvements at Lake Tahoe outlet; and minor channel improvements at intermittent points along the river above and below the Meadows area. This work was completed in 1963. Also, the Flood Control Act of 1962 authorized the 20,400 acre-foot Martis Creek Lake, completed in 1972, for flood control and future water supply.

c. Local interests provided channel improvements along the Truckee River, consisting of riprap and masonry retaining walls for stabilizing both banks through sections of the downtown Reno area. The work was accomplished about 1930 to 1935 by the Works Progress Administration in cooperation with local interests. As a part of the local interest requirements for Martis Creek project, the City of Reno additionally improved the channel to carry a 14,000 cubic feet per second (cfs) flow through Reno. This work was completed in 1972.

d. The Soil Conservation Service has constructed four flood detention reservoirs in the Peavine and East and West Wash watersheds north of Reno. These reservoirs contain a total of about 1,200 acre-feet of storage and provide flood protection to urban areas below the reservoirs.

e. There are other small reservoirs and lakes in the basin that contain very small amounts of storage and have no influence on flood flows on the streams of interest in this study.

5. Climate. - The upper part of the Truckee River Basin is characterized by severe winters and short, mild summers. Precipitation is markedly less than on the western slopes of the Sierra Nevada. The climate of the lower portion of the basin is typical of the Great Basin. The winters are long but with deficient precipitation, and the summers are short with practically no precipitation.

Temperatures vary considerably throughout the basin because of the extreme range in elevation, and diurnal variations are usually large. The minimum and maximum temperatures of record at Tahoe City (elevation 6,230 feet) are -15° F. and 94° F., and at Reno (elevation 4,400 feet) are -16° F. and 104° F., respectively. The monthly distribution of normal temperatures and observed temperature extremes at these two stations as well as at the Truckee Ranger Station and at Boca is illustrated in the following table:

TABLE 1  
NORMAL<sup>1/</sup> MONTHLY TEMPERATURES (F°)

Month :	Tahoe City : (El. 6230') :	Truckee R.S. : (El. 5995') :	Boca <sup>2/</sup> : (El. 5575') :	Reno WB AP : (El. 4404') :
January	26.9	25.6	23.7	30.4
February	28.4	28.0	26.8	35.6
March	32.2	32.7	31.8	41.5
April	38.8	39.7	39.9	48.0
May	45.7	46.6	47.2	53.9
June	53.0	54.1	53.6	60.1
July	60.9	61.9	60.1	67.7
August	60.0	60.4	58.0	65.5
September	54.3	55.3	52.8	58.8
October	45.0	45.6	44.7	49.2
November	35.3	35.0	35.3	38.3
December	30.3	28.5	28.1	31.9
Average Annual	42.6	42.8	41.8	48.4

- <sup>1/</sup> Normals for all stations are climatological normals based on the period 1931-1960 (as published by USWB).  
<sup>2/</sup> Boca values are averages for the period of record.

OBSERVED TEMPERATURE EXTREMES

Location :	MAXIMUM		MINIMUM	
	F°	Month	F°	Month
Tahoe City	94	August	-15	January
Truckee R.S.	101	August	-28	Jan. & Feb.
Boca	97	July	-45	January
Reno WB AP	104	July	-16	January

Normal annual precipitation over the drainage area between Lake Tahoe and Vista varies from 8 to 70 inches, with a basin mean of 26.5 inches. Precipitation usually falls as snow above elevation 5,000 feet, but some storms produce rain up to the highest elevations of the basin, and snowfall may occur anywhere in the basin.

The areal distribution of normal annual precipitation is shown on chart 5. In the upper part of the basin, about 85% of the annual precipitation falls during the winter months of November through April, but at Reno only 70% of the annual precipitation falls during this period. The normal monthly distribution is shown in the following table.

TABLE 2  
NORMAL<sup>1/</sup> MONTHLY PRECIPITATION

MONTH :	TAHOE CITY :		TRUCKEE R.S. :		BOCA <sup>2/</sup> :		RENO WB AP :	
	(El. 6230')		(El. 5995')		(El. 5575')		(El. 4404')	
	Inches	Percent	Inches	Percent	Inches	Percent	Inches	Percent
July	0.26	0.8	0.35	1.1	0.32	1.5	0.27	3.8
August	0.14	0.5	0.17	0.6	0.23	1.1	0.17	2.4
September	0.40	1.3	0.37	1.2	0.25	1.2	0.23	3.2
October	1.90	6.1	1.82	5.8	1.01	4.7	0.51	7.1
November	3.15	10.2	3.10	10.0	1.86	8.7	0.57	8.0
December	5.64	18.3	5.66	18.2	3.64	16.9	1.08	15.1
January	6.13	19.8	6.15	19.7	4.92	22.9	1.19	16.6
February	5.32	17.2	5.24	16.8	3.43	16.0	1.02	14.3
March	3.95	12.8	4.02	12.9	3.02	14.1	0.68	9.5
April	2.10	6.8	2.27	7.3	1.33	6.2	0.54	7.5
May	1.35	4.4	1.46	4.7	1.03	4.8	0.52	7.3
June	0.56	1.8	0.56	1.7	.42	1.9	0.37	5.2
ANNUAL	30.90	100	31.14	100	21.46	100	7.15	100
NOV-APR. TOTAL	26.29	85.1	26.44	84.9	18.20	84.8	5.08	71.1

<sup>1/</sup> Normals for all stations are climatologic normals based on the period 1930-1960 (published by USWB).

<sup>2/</sup> Boca values are averages for the period of record.

Winter snowfall above 5,000 feet elevation normally accumulates until about the first of April, when increasing temperatures mark the beginning of the snowmelt season. Snow falling at lower elevations usually melts within a relatively short time. Basin snowpack data for a wet year (1952), a dry year (1963), a near normal year (1953), and the average for 1 April at representative snow courses are given in Table 3.

6. Runoff. - Most of the runoff from the Truckee River watershed is derived from the snowpack which accumulates over the high mountain

areas during the winter and melts during the late spring and early summer. A large part of the runoff of the Truckee River Basin originates above Farad, with about 31 percent above Lake Tahoe. Because of the regulatory effect of Lake Tahoe, outflows into Truckee River are normally minor except during snowmelt seasons of above-normal runoff. Annual runoff at Farad has varied from 133,000 acre-feet in 1931 to 1,432,000 acre-feet in 1907. Average monthly and annual runoff are illustrated in Table 4.

TABLE 3  
1 APRIL SNOW SURVEY DATA  
(Truckee River Basin, California and Nevada)

No.:	Snow Course	Elev.: (Feet):	Snow Depth (Inches)		Water Equivalent (Inches)		% of Average		Averages* (Inches)			
			1952 :	1953 :	1963 :	1952 :	1953 :	1952 :		1953 :		
334	Mt. Rose	9,000	154	79	77	68.1	33.8	28.0	205	102	84	33.8
64	Webber Peak	7,800	184	106	61	86.8	43.5	20.5	197	99	46	44.4
69	Donner Summit	6,900	184	81	25	82.0	39.0	6.1	206	98	15	39.9
90	Sage Hen Cr.	6,500	113	53	24	45.3	21.0	5.0	240	111	26	18.3
92	Truckee #2	6,400	NR	41	21	NR	17.7	4.7	-	105	28	16.2
105	Tahoe City	6,250	89	30	16	38.6	14.6	2.9	327	124	25	11.1
95	Boca #2	5,900	61	7.0	T	25.0	3.8	T	472	72	0	4.8

\*The average 1 April water content is for the period 1931-1971, as published in "California Snow Survey Measurement Schedule, 1971."





7. Streamflow data. - Streamflow records in the Truckee River Basin are available at the locations shown and listed on chart 6.

8. Precipitation data. - Precipitation records at stations in and adjacent to the Truckee River Basin have been published by the U. S. Weather Bureau since 1870. Locations and data pertinent to these stations are shown on chart 5.

9. Storm characteristics. - Precipitation in the headwater areas of the Truckee River Basin usually is associated with general storms which occur during the winter season of November through April. These storms originate over the Pacific Ocean and must cross the continuous barrier of the Sierra Nevada, which averages 8,000 feet in elevation, to reach these areas. The Truckee River headwater area is directly opposite the Donner Pass gap in the barrier, and occasionally air masses carry considerable precipitable moisture over the pass and cause heavy rainfall on the eastern slopes and on the Mt. Rose ridge east and north of Lake Tahoe. Storm periods last from 1 to 4 days. These storms usually produce general snowfall over the headwater areas, but some storms produce rain up to the maximum elevations of the basin.

The major general storms that have occurred over the Truckee River Basin since 1900 are those of February 1904, March 1907, January 1909, January 1914, January 1916, March 1928, December 1937, March 1940, January 1943, February 1945, November 1950, December 1950, December 1955, January-February 1963, and December 1964.

Local cloudbursts occur frequently during the summer. They usually occur in July and August when warm, moist air is more likely to reach this area of Nevada from the Gulf of California. These storms are characterized by high intensities over small areas and can produce large flood flows on the smaller tributary streams but do not have a major impact on flow in the Truckee River.

10. Flood Characteristics. - Floods in the Truckee River Basin can be divided into three distinct types: general rainfloods, cloudburst floods, and snowmelt floods.

General rainfloods, which occur during the period of November through April, result from general rain storms covering a large part of the basin and are characterized by high peak flows and short durations (3 to 6 days). The total volume of runoff from such floods is relatively small. A number of major general rainfloods have been experienced in the Truckee River Basin. Table 5 provides data on some of the larger floods at Reno.

**TABLE 5**  
**TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO - HISTORICAL RAINFLOODS**

Date	Peak Flow : (cfs)	Max 1-Day Mean Flow : (cfs)	Max 3-Day Volume : (ac ft)
18 Mar 07	18,500	14,600	68,400
16 Jan 09	10,100	8,540	43,600
26 Mar 28	18,800*	-	66,900*
11 Dec 37	17,000*	-	53,100*
21 Nov 50	19,900	14,100	55,300
4 Dec 50	11,700	6,580	30,600
23 Dec 55	20,800	16,200	67,400
1 Feb 63	18,400	11,500	47,700
23 Dec 64	11,300	9,400	44,600

\*Estimated from records at other stations.

Snowmelt floods result from the melting of the snow-pack during the late spring and early summer (April through July) and have relatively large volumes and long durations. The distribution of runoff during the flood period is dependent on the ripeness of the snow and the variation in air temperatures. Generally the highest rates of flow occur in May and June. Snowmelt floods are essentially non-damaging in the Truckee Meadows area under existing conditions of upstream regulation. Data on several snowmelt floods are tabulated below.

**TABLE 6**  
**TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO - HISTORICAL SNOWMELT FLOODS**

Date	Peak : Flow : (cfs)	Max 1-Day : Mean Flow : (cfs)	Max 3-Day : Volume : (ac-ft)	April-July : Volume : (ac-ft)	Annual : Volume : (ac-ft)
7 May 06	-	6,600*	-	740,000*	-
14 Apr 07	-	7,200*	-	841,000	1,372,500
26 Apr 11	-	6,060	33,300	743,000	1,020,000
15 May 38	-	7,000*	-	652,000*	-
3 May 52	7,950	7,630	42,800	821,000	1,231,000
20 May 58	6,090	5,750	33,700	591,000	794,500
22 May 67	6,800	6,200	33,200	576,200	829,800

\*Estimated from records at other stations.

Cloudburst floods are characterized by very high peak flows of short duration and low volume. These floods occur during the summertime, can carry large amounts of debris and sediment, and can cause considerable damage on the smaller tributaries. Data on several cloudburst floods are tabulated below.

TABLE 7

HISTORICAL CLOUDBURST FLOODS

Stream	DA (sq. mi.)	Date	Peak Flow (cfs)	Max 1-Day Mean Flow (cfs)
Galena Creek near Steamboat	8.5	20 Jul 56	4730	---
		15 Aug 65	3670	250
Whites Creek near Steamboat	8.02	15 Aug 65	2280	100

CHAPTER III  
STORM AND FLOOD ANALYSIS

11. General. - For purposes of hydrologic analysis the Truckee River Basin has been subdivided as indicated on chart 7. These subdivisions were made at various stream gage locations and at the various lakes and reservoirs to facilitate analysis of past floods. The many small area subdivisions around Reno were made to facilitate possible future studies of this urban area. Because of the large surface area and volume of Lake Tahoe, relative to its drainage area, runoff into the lake during rain-flood periods is completely regulated and releases are negligible. Accordingly, the area above Lake Tahoe was not considered in the analysis. The analysis was made by developing a mathematical model of the basin using the computer program "HEC-1, Flood Hydrograph Package," as modified by the Sacramento District. The analysis includes a determination of base flows, loss rates, unit hydrographs, and flood routing parameters.

12. Floods analyzed. - The December 1955 and January-February 1963 storms and floods represent two of the largest general rain floods in the basin for which adequate flood hydrograph and precipitation data are available. Flood hydrographs and reconstitutions are shown on charts 8 and 9. Several large cloudburst floods have occurred on Galena and Whites Creeks. An analysis of these events was not possible because flood hydrographs and adequate precipitation data are not available.

13. Storm precipitation. - Basin precipitation for the 1955 and 1963 storms was determined from the isohyetal maps shown on charts 10 and 11. These maps were prepared from available precipitation data at the stations indicated on the charts. In areas where precipitation data was missing the isohyetal lines were patterned after the normal annual precipitation isohyets. Time distribution of precipitation was based on the records at one or more of the recording stations.

14. Snow effects.

a. December 1955. - Available data indicated that a substantial snowpack existed over the upper elevations of the Truckee River Basin prior to the December 1955 storm. Snow depths varied from zero at the 6,000 foot elevation to around 100 inches at the 9-10,000 foot elevation. Potential snowmelt rates were computed for each 1,000 foot elevation band by use of the melt equation for rain-on-snow conditions and partly forested areas given in EM 1110-2-1406. Temperatures were based on the record at the Truckee Ranger Station and a lapse rate of 3° F. per 1,000 feet. Wind data were based on the records at Sacramento since no other data was available. Winds used were those actually observed at Sacramento, reduced by 25 percent to approximate

average conditions on the mountain slopes since Sacramento has an open exposure, and adjusted for elevation using figure 5-27 of "Hydrometeorological Report No. 36", dated October 1961.

The influence of the snowpack on runoff was determined using a computational procedure developed by the Bureau of Reclamation and described in Engineering Monograph No. 35, "Effect of Snow Compaction on Runoff From Rain on Snow", dated June 1966. The procedure is basically a water-budget analysis which accounts for the water in the snowpack until it is released in drainage. It uses the concept of "threshold density" and recognizes the compaction (shrinkage) of the snowpack as water is added. "Threshold density," defined as the density of the snowpack at which compaction ceases and drainage from the pack begins, was assumed to be 40 percent. This procedure is similar to that presented in EM 1110-2-1460. The primary difference is that the EM procedure assumes that the initial snowpack is "ripe" (at "threshold density") over the entire basin whereas the USBR procedure allows the adoption of an initial snowpack with densities varying with elevation. The assumption of a "ripe" pack throughout the basin would not be realistic for the Truckee River since pack densities are known to vary with elevation.

Total available water was computed for each 1,000 foot elevation band using the above procedures. The area above 8,000 feet was non-contributing.

b. January-February 1963. - Available data indicates that the snow cover prior to the 1963 flood was substantially less than existed prior to the 1955 flood and that snowmelt apparently did not contribute significant amounts to runoff. Accordingly, a snowmelt analysis was not made. Based on available temperature data it was determined that rain fell up to an elevation of about 9,000 feet. This elevation was used to determine contributing areas for the flood reconstitutions.

15. Baseflow. - Baseflow was separated from the total runoff hydrographs as indicated on charts 8 and 9. Baseflow adopted for standard project and probable maximum general rain flood computations was slightly higher than observed historically to account for wetter antecedent conditions. Baseflow for cloudburst standard project and probable maximum flood computations for the tributary streams around Reno was assumed to equal a normal summertime flow on these streams since these types of storms occur during the summer.

16. Loss rates. - Loss rates developed during this study are based on the initial and constant infiltration loss concept. Higher losses were adopted for cloudburst floods because these events occur during the summertime when ground conditions are dry.

a. General rain floods. - Constant losses obtained from the flood reconstitutions ranged from a low of 0.05 inches per hour to a high of 0.23 inches per hour and averaged 0.15 inches per hour for the 1963 flood and 0.10 inches per hour for the 1955 flood. Based on these results a constant loss rate of 0.10 inches per hour was adopted for standard project and probable maximum flood computations. A slightly higher loss rate of 0.12 inches per hour was adopted for Spanish Springs Valley to account for additional ponding losses in this area. Zero initial losses were adopted for computation of standard project and probable maximum floods since antecedent conditions would be wet prior to the onset of these floods.

b. Cloudburst floods. - As discussed previously, a determination of loss rates using reconstitutions of historical cloudburst floods was not possible due to a lack of hydrograph and precipitation data. A constant loss rate of 0.16 inches per hour and an initial loss of 0.30 inches was adopted. These losses are slightly higher than used for general rain floods since the cloudburst floods occur during the summertime when dryer ground conditions prevail. The adopted losses are consistent with those used in earlier studies.

17. Unit hydrographs. - Unit hydrographs for this study were developed using the modified Los Angeles District S-curve procedure presented in Technical Bulletin No. 5-550-3, "Flood Prediction Techniques," dated February 1957. This procedure utilizes a non-dimensional summation graph (S-curve) in conjunction with a basin factor (n), which relates lag time to basin characteristics, to develop unit hydrographs. Adopted S-curves and lag relationships are shown on charts 12 and 13, respectively. Unit hydrograph parameters and ordinates are listed on tables 8, 9, 10, 11 and 12 (located at the end of text).

In a few cases the n values used for reconstitution of the 1955 and 1963 floods differ slightly. The values used for the 1963 flood were adopted for standard project flood computations since this flood is the largest on record in the basin. Unit hydrographs with higher peaks and shorter lag times than the 1963 unit hydrographs were developed for computation of probable maximum floods to account for the increased hydraulic efficiency of the basins during the occurrence of this type of event. These adjustments were accomplished by reducing the n values by 20 percent which produces a corresponding change in peak flows and lag times.

The S-curve used to establish unit hydrographs for the subareas above Lawton was developed from an analysis of the 1963 flood on Martis Creek, Alder Creek, Little Truckee River near Hobart Mills and Little Truckee River near Boca. The S-curves developed from the unit hydrographs for these areas were similar and the Martis Creek S-curve was adopted as being typical for the area.

Unit hydrographs for the subareas below Lawton, except Spanish Springs valley, were developed using either the Truckee Meadows average valley S-curve (length = 743%), the Truckee Meadows average mountain S-curve for general rain events (length = 700%), or the Truckee Meadows average mountain S-curve for cloudburst events (length = 402%). The two mountain curves were developed for the Truckee Meadows Flood Plain Information study (1969). The valley curve is identical to the Los Angeles Valley S-curve used by the Los Angeles District and was used in the Truckee Meadows area for the flat valley areas.

The unit hydrograph developed for Spanish Springs Valley in the Truckee Meadows F.P.I. study used the Clark unit hydrograph technique. The unit hydrograph reflected Clark coefficients of  $T_c = 6.0$  hours and  $R = 6.0$  hours. A revised unit hydrograph for Spanish Springs Valley was developed for the current study because the drainage area has been revised from that used in the FPI study to account for non-contributing areas. The revised unit hydrograph was developed from an S-curve prepared using the original unit hydrograph from the FPI study. The S-curve is shown on chart 12.

18. Flood routings. - The Truckee River and its tributaries, with the exception of the Truckee Meadows area, are mountainous streams where flows are confined to narrow canyon channels. Channel storage during large floods is small and does not significantly attenuate peak flows. Accordingly, flood routings for the Truckee River basin were accomplished using Muskingum coefficients for most routing reaches supplemented by Modified-Puls routings where storage has a considerable influence on downstream flows. A routing schematic with adopted routing coefficients is shown on chart 14. These coefficients were verified by reconstitution of the 1955 and 1963 floods. Modified-Puls routings and additional refinements are discussed below.

a. Six storage-discharge relationships were developed for Truckee Meadows to represent the differing channel and storage conditions in the Meadows. These relationships were developed using streamflow information at the Vista gage, calculated water surface profiles, historic high water marks in the Meadows and computed storage volumes from available topographic maps. The relationships for 1955 and 1963 conditions are shown on chart 15. The difference between the 1955 and 1963 curves represents the channel enlargement work completed in 1963. Storage-discharge relationships for present (1980) conditions and future (1990) conditions were developed taking into account the effects of the Interstate 80 freeway and the decreased storage in the Meadows due to the present and projected development in the area. Interstate 80 acts as a barrier and prevents significant amounts of water from ponding on the north side of the freeway except during high volume runoff periods. Accordingly, the area north of the freeway was included for general rain flood routings on the Truckee River (high volumes), but was excluded for routing of cloudburst and general rain floods originating in the Steamboat Creek watershed. The standard project flood hydrographs presented in this report represent routings



under 1990 conditions. Peak flows for these floods are 4 to 5 percent lower when routed under 1980 conditions.

b. Flows were routed through Independence and Donner Lakes, and Upper Peavine, Lower Peavine, East Wash, and West Wash Reservoirs using storage-discharge relationships furnished by the operating agencies of these facilities or developed by the Sacramento District using available spillway and reservoir capacity data. Storage-discharge relationships are shown on chart 15.

c. Regulated condition routings through Boca, Stampede, Prosser, and Martis Creek Reservoirs reflect the flood control operating criteria for these projects as specified in the "Master Report on Reservoir Regulation for Flood Control-Truckee River Reservoirs", dated December 1971.

d. Storage-discharge relationships were developed for routing of Steamboat Creek flows from index point 40 to the Huffacker Hills damsite. These relationships were developed from water surface profiles prepared for the June 1972 Flood Plain Information Study on Steamboat Creek. Storage-discharge relationships are shown on chart 15.

e. A storage-discharge relationship was developed for routing Dry Creek and Evans Creek from index point 64 to index point 70. This relationship was developed from backwater computations and flooded area maps prepared by Tudor Engineering Company for flood insurance studies. The storage discharge relationship is shown on chart 15.

f. The Truckee River channel and overbank capacities through Reno are limited. When these capacities are exceeded, water leaves the overbank areas and flows in a southeasterly direction, eventually combining with other runoff in the Truckee Meadows area. Division of flow relationships for determining overflows were estimated from water surface profile computations through the Reno area. These relationships are shown on chart 16. Overflows were routed separately using the Muskingum coefficients shown on chart 14.

g. A storage-discharge relationship was developed for the Highway 40 bridge at Wadsworth, since it is somewhat restrictive at the higher flows. This relationship is shown on chart 15.

h. Stream gaging records indicate that channel losses occur between Wadsworth and Nixon when flows at Nixon exceed about 10,000 cfs. In order to simulate these losses the relationship shown on chart 17 was developed and verified by reconstitution of the 1963 flood hydrograph and the 1955 peak flow at Nixon. The upper portion of this curve was estimated since historical flows at Nixon have not exceeded about 14,000 cfs (1955 and 1963 floods). This estimate was based on the following reasoning. Channel losses can probably be attributed to losses due to depression storage in overbank areas and to percolation losses to the Dodge Flat ground water basin, located

between Wadsworth and Pyramid Lake. Depression losses are satisfied during the initial phases of a flood when channel capacities are exceeded and water can flow to and fill overbank storage areas. Once these areas are filled further losses to this source due to higher flows are greatly reduced. Percolation losses are a function of area flooded and head. Since the Truckee River flood plain between Wadsworth and Nixon is confined to a relatively narrow band the flooded area does not increase significantly with large increases in flow. Accordingly, losses to percolation will not increase by large amounts once the flood plain is covered with water. In view of the above, channel losses at the higher flows were increased only a small amount above those that occur at the lower flows.

CHAPTER IV  
LAND USE

19. Land use. - Hydrologic studies in this report were developed for both present land use conditions (yr-1980) and estimated future land use conditions (yr-1990). In the Reno area land use changes may have some impact on runoff. In the other portions of the basin land uses are not expected to change significantly and, accordingly, will have no impact on runoff.

Present and future land use conditions in the Reno area are presented on charts 18 and 19, respectively. These charts were developed from a base map prepared by the Nevada State Highway Department. Land use projections are based on those prepared by the Washoe County Regional Planning Commission (1978 Preliminary General Plan) and have been updated by this office to reflect current conditions and expected future trends.

The effects of the land use changes on runoff were accounted for by lowering loss rates in proportion to the imperviousness of the subareas. The following impervious factors were used for the various land use classifications.

TABLE 13  
IMPERVIOUS FACTORS

<u>Land Use</u>	<u>Percent Imperviousness</u>
Forest and grazing areas	5
Agricultural	10
Residential	35
Commerical	60
Industrial	90

Runoff calculations using the above data indicated that land use changes have a negligible effect on peak flows at the points of interest. This results from the fact that the increase in urbanized area, when compared to the total drainage area above the points of interest, is very small. Accordingly, peak flow frequency curves presented in this report are based on 1990 land uses and are considered to represent both existing and future land use conditions.

Rapid development in the Truckee Meadows area has decreased the amount of space available in the Meadows for the storage of flood waters. This was accounted for as discussed in the preceding chapter.

CHAPTER V  
FLOW FREQUENCY ANALYSIS

20. General - Rainflood flow-frequency curves required for evaluation of possible flood control projects in the Reno area were developed for the following index points.

TABLE 14  
LOCATION OF FLOW-FREQUENCY CURVES

Index Point No.	Description	Drainage Area (sq. mi.)	Curves
3460	Truckee River at Farad (USGS #3460)	426 $\frac{1}{}$	Peak and Volume
600	Truckee River at Reno (USGS #3480)	561 $\frac{1}{}$	Peak and Volume
700	Truckee River nr Vista (USGS #3500)	819 $\frac{2}{}$	Peak and Volume
720	Truckee River below Derby Dam (USGS #3516)	1060 $\frac{2}{}$	Peak and Volume
740	Truckee River nr Nixon (USGS #3517)	1205 $\frac{2}{}$	Peak and Volume
30	Steamboat Creek at Steamboat (USGS #3493)	39.3 $\frac{3}{}$	Peak and Volume
60	Steamboat Creek at Huffacker Hills Damsite	110.4 $\frac{3}{}$	Peak
84	Steamboat Creek at Mouth	162.3 $\frac{3}{}$	Peak
20	Galena Creek nr Steamboat (USGS #3489)	8.5	Peak
505	Hunter Creek nr Reno (USGS #3476)	11.5	Peak
44	Whites Creek at Steamboat Ditch	14.6	Peak
66	Evans Creek at Steamboat Ditch	8.4	Peak
622	Dry Creek at Steamboat Ditch	3.6	Peak
64	Dry Creek at Highway 395	14.8	Peak
48	Thomas Creek at Steamboat Ditch	11.4	Peak
70	Boynton Slough	41.0	Peak
620	North Truckee Drain at foothill line	58.9 $\frac{4}{}$	Peak

- $\frac{1}{}$  Contributing area below Lake Tahoe.  
 $\frac{2}{}$  Contributing area below Lake Tahoe and Washoe Lake.  
 $\frac{3}{}$  Contributing area below Washoe Lake.  
 $\frac{4}{}$  Contributing area.

Two peak flow frequency curves are presented for the Truckee River index points and represent unregulated and regulated conditions of water resource development. Unregulated conditions refers to a runoff regime without Boca, Stampede, Prosser, and Martis Creek Reservoirs but does include the effects of Lake Tahoe, Independence Lake, and Donner Lake. Regulated conditions includes the effects of Boca, Stampede, Prosser, and Martis Creek Reservoirs.

21. Truckee River. -

a. Unregulated conditions. - The period October through March was selected for analysis of rainfloods. Flows below Derby Dam have been impaired by diversions to the Truckee Canal since 1916. Further impairment of flows occurred when Boca, Prosser, Stampede, and Martis Creek Reservoirs were completed in 1938, 1963, 1969, and 1972, respectively. Accordingly, adjustments to the recorded flows are required to obtain a uniform unregulated flow record. Adjustments to account for Truckee Canal diversions were made by adding the daily diversions to the recorded daily flows at the gages below Derby Dam. Adjustments to account for operation of the various reservoirs were made by routing the daily changes in storage at the reservoirs to the downstream gages and adding the routed changes to the recorded daily flows at the gages. Very few estimates of unregulated condition peak flows are available. Those estimates that are available are based on rainfall-runoff studies. Flows are listed on table 15 (located at the end of text).

The unregulated condition flows at the Truckee River gages were extended by multiple correlation with each other and with the longer record of the Truckee River at the Farad gage. The correlations were made using the HEC "Regional Frequency Computation" computer program. The missing flows estimated by this program include an adjustment for the natural variance in the data. Correlation coefficients are tabulated below.

TABLE 16  
CORRELATION COEFFICIENTS - TRUCKEE RIVER

Station	Correlation Coefficients (with Farad gage)				
	1-day	3-day	7-day	15-day	30-day
Truckee River at Reno	.98	.99	.99	.99	.98
Truckee River at Vista	.96	.98	.98	.97	.97
Truckee River below Derby Dam	.94	.95	.96	.96	.96
Truckee River near Nixon	.98	.98	.97	.97	.98

The adopted unregulated condition flow frequency curves are shown on chart 20. Computed and adopted statistics are listed on table 15

(located at the end of text). Adopted means are based on the extended record. Adopted standard deviations and skews have been smoothed considerably to fit the historical data and give consistent volume-duration relationships. The standard deviations and skews based on the extended record were not used because the resulting curves did not fit the longer duration data. The curves include the expected probability adjustment for the indicated number of equivalent years of record.

A statistical analysis of peak flows was not possible because very few unregulated condition peak flow estimates are available. Accordingly, the adopted peak flow-frequency curves are graphical curves. The adopted curves for Farad, Reno, and Vista are identical to those presented in the December 1971 Truckee River "Master Report on Reservoir Regulation for Flood Control." The same curves were adopted for this study because the current analysis does not indicate a significant change from the earlier work. The adopted peak flow-frequency curves for below Derby Dam and Nixon were drawn by keeping the relationship between the peak and 1-day curves approximately the same as at Vista. The adopted peak curves are consistent with the 1-day curves, the historical data, and the computed standard project floods.

b. Regulated conditions. - Frequency curves for regulated conditions were based on records of historical events, appropriately adjusted for the effects of reservoirs completed since the event, and routings of both historic and hypothetical floods. All of the adjustments and routings were made to reflect reservoir operation in accordance with current criteria and regulations.

Historic records were adjusted based on the fact that for any given event, the regulated flow at Reno could be no less than local flows downstream of the reservoirs plus reservoir spill. Since none of the historic events were large enough to cause spill, the regulated flow at Reno would result from the uncontrolled locals. Uncontrolled locals were estimated as a percentage of the corresponding unregulated flow at Reno. Percentages were based on an evaluation of historic events, drainage areas, and normal annual precipitation relationships.

The four largest historical events (Nov-Dec 1950, Dec 1955, Jan-Feb 1963, and Dec 1964) were analyzed in more detail by estimating bi-hourly reservoir inflows and local flows below the reservoirs and routing these flows under regulated conditions. Runoff for the 1955 event was identical with that developed for the storm and flood analysis described in Chapter III. Runoff for the remaining events were developed directly from streamflow records. Reservoir inflows were estimated from outflow and storage records or by correlation with other

sites. Outflows from the reservoirs were routed to Reno and subtracted from the observed flows there to obtain the uncontrolled local. Local runoff below Reno was estimated from consideration of observed flows, drainage area, and precipitation patterns.

Regulated condition flows for rare events were determined by routing the standard project flood (SPF) and the 500, 100, and 50 year hypothetical floods through the reservoir system. A 20-day standard project flood series, determined as described in paragraph 27, was used for the routings instead of a single 5-day flood wave because it was found that total inflow volume was critical in determining the regulated condition downstream flows. This is attributed to the limited channel capacities and small reservoir outlet capacities in comparison to inflows. The 500, 100, and 50 year events were patterned after the SPF series. Flows for these floods are consistent with volume-duration relationships at Reno. Some adjustments were required for the one and three day durations to avoid unreasonable distortion of the hydrographs.

The following conditions and assumptions were used for all regulated condition routings:

- a. All reservoirs were assumed to be at the bottom of flood control pool at the beginning of the event.
- b. The error of forecasting local was assumed to be +25%.
- c. Routing criteria were consistent with the rainfall-runoff models described in Chapter III.
- d. Releases from the reservoirs included outlet works discharges when reservoir storage was above gross pool.
- e. No channel efficiency contingencies were used since the releases computed by the simulation model during recession resulted in an effective channel flow which varied from 70-80% of channel capacity.

Regulated condition frequency curves were drawn from the adjusted and routed flows with plotting positions at all index points based on the frequency of the corresponding unregulated flow at Reno. The curves are shown on chart 21.

## 22. Truckee Meadows tributaries. -

a. Gaged locations. - Flow frequency curves for Steamboat Creek, Galena Creek and Hunter Creek at the stream gage locations were prepared from an analysis of the stream flow record. These frequency curves were used as the basis for developing flow-frequency relationships for ungaged streams in the area. This area is subject to both winter general rain floods and summertime cloudburst floods. There is insufficient data to analyze each type event separately; accordingly,

an all event analysis was made using the annual maximum flows regardless of their origin.

Computed and adopted statistical parameters at each of the stations are listed in the following table. As indicated, the adopted means are equal to the computed means; the adopted standard deviations are based primarily on the computed standard deviations but have been rounded and smoothed somewhat to give consistent volume-duration relationships; the adopted skews have been substantially rounded and smoothed. The curves are shown on charts 22, 23, and 24 and are consistent with the historical data. The expected probability adjustment is based on the number of years of record at each station.

TABLE 17

STATISTICAL PARAMETERS FOR FLOW  
FREQUENCY CURVES - STEAMBOAT, GALENA AND HUNTER CREEKS

		Steamboat Creek	Galena Creek	Hunter Creek			
		at Steamboat	nr Steamboat	nr Reno			
		Contrib DA = 39.3	DA = 8.5	DA = 11.5			
		square miles	square miles	square miles			
		(17-Years Record)	(17-Years Record)	(12-Years Record)			
Flow	Parameter	Computed	Adopted	Computed	Adopted	Computed	Adopted
Duration	(Log Units)						
Peak	Mean	2.163	2.163	2.057	2.057	1.799	1.799
	Std dev	.434	.46	.517	.46	.454	.46
	Skew	+.564	+.6	+1.724	+.6	+1.728	+.6
1-Day	Mean	1.798	1.798				
	Std dev	.420	.42				
	Skew	+.582	+.6				
3-Day	Mean	1.618	1.618				
	Std dev	.415	.40				
	Skew	+.552	+.5				
7-Day	Mean	1.479	1.479				
	Std dev	.385	.38				
	Skew	+.263	+.4				
15-Day	Mean	1.348	1.348				
	Std dev	.363	.37				
	Skew	+.067	+.3				
30-Day	Mean	1.229	1.229				
	Std dev	.349	.35				
	Skew	+.235	+.2				



b. Ungaged locations. -

(1) Evans, Dry, Thomas, and Whites Creeks. - Peak flow frequency curves were prepared for each of these creeks at Steamboat Ditch and for Dry Creek at Highway 395. All of these streams drain the eastern slopes of Mt. Rose and are similar in size, slopes, location, and exposure to the gaged streams of Hunter, Galena, and Steamboat Creeks. Accordingly, it was assumed that the shape of the peak flow-frequency curves for these ungaged locations would be similar to frequency curves for the gaged streams. The adopted curves, shown on chart 26, were based on ratios of the standard project flood. Ratios used are averages of ratios determined from the Hunter, Galena, and Steamboat Creek curves. Ratios are tabulated below.

<u>Flood</u>	<u>Ratios of SPF</u>
1000 yr	4.31
500 yr	2.06
SPF	1.00
200 yr	.84
100 yr	.45
50 yr	.24
20 yr	.11
10 yr	.06

(2) Steamboat Creek and Boynton Slough. - Peak flow-frequency curves were prepared for Steamboat Creek at Huffacker Hills damsite and at the mouth and for Boynton Slough below Dry Creek. Flows at these locations are effected by routings across Truckee Meadows. Accordingly, the procedures used in subparagraph (1) were not used because the storage effect of the Meadows is not reflected in the frequency curves at the gaged locations.

Both general rain and cloudburst events were analyzed using rainfall-runoff computations and the resulting flow-frequency curves were combined statistically to produce an all events curve. The curves are shown on charts 25 and 27. The general rain curve was prepared using ratios of the standard project flood. Ratios were developed from the 1-day flow frequency curve for the Steamboat Creek near Steamboat gage. The cloudburst curve was prepared using ratios of standard project cloudburst storm precipitation to develop various frequency cloudburst floods. Ratios were obtained from the Reno 3-hour precipitation frequency curve (chart 29). The combined curves were checked by developing a flow-frequency curve for Steamboat Creek at the gage using the above procedure and comparing it to the adopted curve at the gage. This check indicated the combined curves are reasonable.

(3) North Truckee Drain. - The area drained by North Truckee Drain (Spanish Springs Valley) is not typical of Steamboat Creek and its tributaries. Accordingly, the analysis of streamflow records on

Steamboat Creek cannot be applied to North Truckee Drain. The area consists of many small streams that drain the foothill areas surrounding the valley. These streams flow out onto the flat valley floor where there are no defined stream channels other than North Truckee Drain at the lower end of the valley. Flooding from North Truckee Drain does not occur frequently. For example, Tudor Engineering Company reported that a local rancher who has lived in the area for 32 years stated that the drain had overflowed Spanish Springs Road (located at the lower end of Spanish Springs Valley) only twice in that period. Estimates of this flow by Tudor was about 270 cfs.

Recognizing the characteristics of the area, a peak flow-frequency curve for the area was developed using rainfall-runoff computations for the upper end of the curve and the historical experience in the area for the lower end of the curve. The estimated frequency curve is shown on chart 28. The upper end of the curve was drawn using the computed 100-year and 500-year (standard project) general rain floods. Standard project storms and floods are discussed in Chapter VI. The 100-year storm amount was determined using a 3-day precipitation frequency curve for Reno (chart 30). A cloudburst flood was not developed because it was reasoned that this type of event probably would not contribute significant amounts of runoff at the lower end of the valley due to the fact that the low volume in these types of floods would be lost crossing the valley floor. The resulting curve is reasonably consistent with flows developed for flood insurance studies.

CHAPTER VI  
STANDARD PROJECT FLOODS

*This contradicts most other studies.*

23. General. - Standard project floods (SPF) were computed for the Truckee River and for the Truckee Meadows tributaries. Both general rain and cloudburst events were analyzed. The general rain event produces the highest peak flows on the Truckee River while the cloudburst event produces the highest peak flows on the Truckee Meadows tributaries. The general rain event was adopted for standard project flood computation on North Truckee Drain (Spanish Springs Valley) because, as previously stated, the low volume of a cloudburst flood would essentially be lost as it flows across the valley floor.

24. Standard project storm. -

a. General rain. - Standard project storm (SPS) amounts equal to 60 percent of probable maximum precipitation were adopted. Probable maximum precipitation (PMP) amounts were determined using Hydrometeorological Report No. 49, "Probable Maximum Precipitation, Colorado and Great Basin Drainages," dated September 1977. The December storm was used since it produces the highest precipitation over the basin.

(1) Truckee River basin. - The Truckee River storm was centered over the basin above Lawton since this area is the major contributor to runoff at downstream points. Concurrent storms were computed for the areas between Lawton and Vista and between Vista and Nixon. Adopted SPS amounts and a comparison with historical storms are tabulated below.

TABLE 18

GENERAL RAIN STANDARD PROJECT AND  
HISTORICAL STORM AMOUNTS

Area	Storm Amounts (inches)		
	SPS (72-hr)	21-23 Dec 1955	30 Jan-1 Feb 1963
Above Lawton	11.5	9.8	9.5
Lawton to Vista	6.1	5.0	5.4
Vista to Nixon	4.3	2 ±	1.8

(2) Steamboat Creek and Spanish Springs Valley. - Standard project storms were centered over Steamboat Creek above its mouth and over Spanish Springs Valley above index point 620. Storm amounts (72 hour duration) for the two areas are 7.1 and 6.2 inches, respectively.

b. Cloudburst. - Cloudburst SPS amounts (3-hour duration) were developed using 35 percent of the maximum 3-hour cloudburst probable maximum precipitation. As indicated on chart 29, the SPS has an

exceedence frequency of about 0.2 per hundred years. Probable maximum precipitation was determined from Hydrometeorological Report No. 49. Several storm centerings were used to develop standard project floods at the various index points. Centerings and storm amounts are tabulated on table 19.

TABLE 19  
CLOUDBURST STANDARD PROJECT STORM AMOUNTS

Location	SPS Centering and Storm Amount (3-Hr Duration)					
	Index	Specific	SPD	Concurrent	SPS	
	Point	Over	(in)	Over	Subarea	(in)
	No.	Subarea		Subarea		
Galena Creek nr Steamboat	20	201, 20	3.54	No Concurrent	----	
Whites Creek at Steamboat Ditch	44	42	3.59	44		3.01
Thomas Creek at Steamboat Ditch	48	48	3.47	No Concurrent	----	
Dry Creek at Steamboat Ditch and at Hwy 395	622	621, 622, 623, 624	3.50	64		2.92
Boynton Slough	70	62, 64, 66, 68	3.06	70, 72, 74, 76, 78		2.47
Evans Creek at Steamboat Ditch	66	66	3.54	No Concurrent	----	
Steamboat Creek at Steamboat	30	15, 201, 20, 25, 42, 44, 48	2.80	30, 35, 40, 46, 50, 60		1.84
Steamboat Creek at Huffacker Hills Damsite	60	15, 201, 20, 25, 42, 44, 48	2.80	30, 35, 40, 46, 50, 60		1.84
Steamboat Creek at mouth	84	15, 201, 20, 25, 30, 35, 40, 42, 44, 48, 62, 66	2.35	46, 50, 60, 64, 68, 70, 72, 74, 76, 78, 80, 82, 84		1.66 1.36

25. Snow effects. - A snowpack was assumed to exist over the Truckee River Basin prior to the occurrence of the standard project general rain storm because there is normally a snowpack present on the basin in the wintertime. There would be no snowpack prior to a cloudburst storm because these events occur during the summertime.

An initial snowpack over the area above Lawton, varying from zero at the 4,400 foot elevation to about 140 inches at the 9,000 foot elevation, was adopted for standard project general rain flood computations. This pack is similar to that which existed over the basin prior to the December 1955 storm and flood except that the lower edge has been extended to the 4,400 foot elevation. The pack is also similar to that obtained from the Sacramento Districts' criteria presented in "Standard Project Criteria for General and Local Storms, Sacramento-San Joaquin Valleys, California," dated April 1971 and used in earlier studies of the Truckee River Basin. A snowpack equal to 50 percent of the pack above Lawton was adopted for the area between Lawton and Vista while a pack equal to 25 percent of the pack above Lawton was adopted for the area below Vista. These percentages are based on a comparison of average 1 February snow depth measurements in the basin taken from "Summary of Snow Survey Measurements for Nevada," Soil Conservation Service, 1910-67 and 1968-72. Adopted snowpacks are shown on chart 31.

Potential snowmelt rates were computed for each 1,000 foot elevation band by use of the melt equation for rain-on-snow conditions and partly forested areas given in EM 1110-2-1406. Precipitation distribution, wind, and temperature data for use in this equation were those observed during the January-February 1963 storm. This event was used as a pattern since it is the largest flood of record in the basin. Storm amounts were distributed to the various elevation zones in proportion to the normal annual precipitation of the zones. Precipitation was assumed to fall as rain when temperatures were above 32°F.

The influence of the snowpack on runoff was determined as discussed in paragraph 14a. Table 20 summarizes the rain on snow computations for the Truckee River Standard Project Flood.

Band excess amounts were distributed to the various subareas in proportion to the percentage of each subarea in each elevation zone. The entire area below 9,000 feet was considered to be contributing even though the snowmelt computations indicated that only the area below 8,000 feet would be contributing between Lake Tahoe and Vista. This assumption is conservative and does not introduce a significant increase in runoff since the additional drainage area involved is only about 40 square miles.

26. Standard project floods - unregulated conditions. - Standard project floods for unregulated conditions were computed using the unit hydrograph, loss rate, base flow, flood routing and storm criteria discussed previously. These floods do not include the effects of Boca, Stampede, Prosser, and Martis Creek Reservoirs. Pertinent data on these floods are shown on Tables 21 and 22. Typical hydrographs are shown on charts 32 and 33.

TABLE 20  
SUMMARY OF RAIN-ON-SNOW COMPUTATIONS - TRUCKEE RIVER SPF

LAKE TAHOE TO LAWTON

Elevation Band	Band Area (sq mi)	Band Exposure Constant	Antecedent		Total		Total		Excess		Remaining Snow Cover	
			Density (%)	Depth (in)	Precip (in)	Snowmelt (in)	Water (in)	Density (%)	Depth (in)	Density (%)	Depth (in)	
4600-5000	7.6	1.0	35.2	15.5	3.6	5.77	9.06	.0	.0	.0	.0	
5000-6000	118.0	.8	28.4	27.3	7.9	5.57	12.05	40.0	40.0	9.01	9.01	
6000-7000	234.0	.8	21.6	49.3	11.0	4.95	12.18	40.0	40.0	23.66	23.66	
7000-8000	104.0	.5	16.2	78.4	14.0	1.29	5.46	40.0	40.0	53.10	53.10	
8000-9000	39.6	.5	12.5	116.4	16.9	.0	.0	27.59	27.59	114.01	114.01	
9000-10000	7.9	.5	10.3	157.4	17.8	.0	.0	18.26	18.26	186.29	186.29	
10000-10800	.6	.5	10.0	176.5	19.0	.0	.0	11.17	11.17	328.15	328.15	

LAWTON TO VISTA (areas North of Truckee River)

4400-5000	80.6	1.0	37.3	5.5	3.4	2.07	5.45	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
5000-6000	44.7	1.0	28.4	13.5	5.2	4.17	9.03	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
6000-7000	8.8	.5	21.6	24.5	8.2	3.31	9.83	40.0	40.0	9.16	9.16
7000-8000	3.3	.5	16.2	39.5	12.4	2.93	10.93	40.0	40.0	19.67	19.67
8000-9000	5.0	.5	12.5	59.0	16.6	.72	4.28	40.0	40.0	49.25	49.25
9000-10000	1.2	.5	10.3	77.5	19.6	.0	.0	32.61	32.61	84.58	84.58

TABLE 20 (Cont'd)

LAWTON TO VISTA (Areas South of Truckee River)

Elevation Band	Band Area (sq mi)	Band Exposure Constant	Antecedent		Total		Excess		Remaining Snow Cover	
			Density (%)	Depth (in)	Precip (in)	Snowmelt (in)	Water (in)	Density (%)	Depth (in)	
4400-5000	63.5	1.0	37.3	5.5	3.4	2.07	5.45	.0	.0	
5000-6000	97.8	1.0	28.4	13.5	5.2	4.17	9.03	.0	.0	
6000-7000	38.8	1.0	21.6	24.5	8.2	5.04	11.72	40.0	4.43	
7000-8000	24.1	1.0	16.2	39.5	12.4	4.23	12.54	40.0	15.64	
8000-9000	16.1	1.0	12.5	59.0	16.6	1.82	5.37	40.0	46.51	
9000-10000	7.3	1.0	10.3	77.5	19.6	.0	.0	33.99	81.15	
VISTA TO NIXON										
3870-4000	7.5	1.0	0	.0	3.4	.0	3.4	.0	.0	
4000-5000	201.5	1.0	38	2.0	3.7	.76	4.46	.0	.0	
5000-6000	175.2	1.0	28.4	7.0	4.5	2.04	6.49	.0	.0	
6000-7000	88.5	1.0	21.6	12.5	5.2	3.25	7.90	.0	.0	
7000-8000	6.7	1.0	16.2	19.5	7.0	4.58	10.04	40.0	.3	
8000-9000	.0	1.0	12.5	29.5	8.1	2.23	5.85	40.0	14.84	

TABLE 21

GENERAL RAIN STANDARD PROJECT FLOODS  
UNREGULATED CONDITIONS

Location	Contributing Drainage Area* (sq mi)	Total Drainage: Area (sq mi)	Total Drainage: Area (sq mi)	Index Point	Peak Flow (cfs)	5-Day Volume (AF)
Truckee River at Farad (USGS #3460)	417.5	932	3460	60,100	148,000	
Truckee River at Reno (USGS #3480)	548	1,067	600	71,000	192,200	
Truckee River at Vista (USGS #3500)	798	1,429	700	56,500	243,400	
Truckee River below Derby Dam (USGS #3516)	1039	1,670	720	56,300	245,800	
Truckee River near Nixon (USGS #3517)	1184	1,815	740	53,500	233,100	
Steamboat Creek at Huffacker Hills Damsite	103.9	194	60	13,500	27,000	
Steamboat Creek at Mouth	155.8	246	84	14,800	38,600	
Spanish Springs Valley (North Truckee Drain at foothill line)	58.9	78.5	620	2,500	4,640	

\* Does not include areas above Lake Tahoe and above Washoe Lake, non-contributing area in Spanish Springs Valley, and areas above 9000 feet elevation.



TABLE 22

CLOUDBURST STANDARD PROJECT FLOODS

Location	Contributing Drainage Area (sq mi)	Total Drainage Area (sq mi)	Index Point	Peak Flow (cfs)	Volume (acre-ft)	Duration (hrs)
Steamboat Creek at Steamboat (USGS #3493)	39.3	123	30	15,200	3,770	24
Steamboat Creek at Huffacker Hills Damsite	110.4	194	60	13,600	9,550	24
Steamboat Creek at Mouth	162.3	246	84	11,100	12,400	36
Galena Creek near Steamboat (USGS #3489)	8.5	8.5	20	6,000	1,310	12
Whites Creek at Steamboat Ditch	14.6	14.6	44	8,700	2,110	12
Evans Creek at Steamboat Ditch	8.4	8.4	66	4,900	1,310	12
Dry Creek at Steamboat Ditch	3.6	3.6	622	2,650	560	12
Dry Creek at Highway 395	14.8	14.8	64	10,900	2,160	12
Thomas Creek at Steamboat Ditch	11.4	11.4	48	5,600	1,730	12
Boynton Slough	41.0	41.0	70	14,000	4,970	12

27. Standard project flood series. - A 20-day standard project flood series for the Truckee River was developed for operation studies involving the upstream reservoirs. This series, as plotted on chart 34, was developed to be consistent with the volume-duration curves for the Truckee River at Reno. The 200-year volume was used for durations between 5 and 20 days. The series consists of four 5-day waves with volumes as indicated on Table 23. Each wave was patterned after the main wave.

28. Standard project floods - regulated conditions. - Regulated condition standard project floods were developed for the Truckee River by routing the unregulated condition SPF's through Boca, Stampede, Prosser, and Martis Creek Reservoirs. Routings through these reservoirs were made in accordance with regulations specified in the "Master Report on Reservoir Regulation for Flood Control - Truckee River Reservoirs," dated December 1971. Flood hydrographs are shown on chart 32. Pertinent data are shown on Table 24.

TABLE 23

TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO  
STANDARD PROJECT FLOOD SERIES

Duration (days)	:	Volume (cfs-days)	:	Time Order of Occurrence
5	:	96,900	:	3rd (main wave)
"	:	25,000	:	2nd
"	:	15,000	:	4th
"	:	12,000	:	1st

TABLE 24

GENERAL RAIN STANDARD PROJECT FLOODS  
REGULATED CONDITIONS

Location	:	Index Point	:	Peak Flow (cfs)	:	5-Day Volume (AF)
Truckee River at Reno (USGS #3480)	:	600	:	40,000	:	121,000
Truckee River at Vista (USGS #3500)	:	700	:	37,000	:	170,000
Truckee River below Derby Dam (USGS #3516)	:	720	:	37,000	:	172,900
Truckee River near Nixon (USGS #3517)	:	740	:	34,300	:	163,200

CHAPTER VII  
PROBABLE MAXIMUM FLOODS

29. General. - General rain and cloudburst probable maximum floods (PMF) were developed for Steamboat Creek at the Huffacker Hills damsite. Both types of floods were considered since it is not known which type of event would be critical for spillway design.

30. Probable maximum precipitation. - Probable maximum precipitation (PMP) for both the general rain (72-hour duration) and cloudburst (6-hour duration) storms was determined using Hydrometeorological Report No. 49, "Probable Maximum Precipitation Estimates, Colorado River and Great Basin Drainages," dated September 1977.

a. General rain. - The December general rain storm was adopted for computation of the general rain PMP since it produces the highest precipitation. General rain PMP for a storm centered over the area above the damsite is 11.9 inches.

b. Cloudburst. - A cloudburst storm centered over the upper areas of the basin was adopted for cloudburst PMF computations. This centering is identical to that used for computation of the standard project flood at the damsite. The storm amount for the upper areas (subareas 15, 201, 20, 25, 42, 44, and 48) is 8.0 inches while the concurrent amount for the lower areas (subareas 30, 35, 40, 46, 50, and 60) is 5.2 inches.

\* 31. Snow effects (general rain flood). - A snowpack was assumed to exist over the basin above the Huffacker Hills damsite prior to the occurrence of the general rain PMF because there is normally a snowpack on the basin in the winter-time. Since the PMF would most likely occur during the December - January period (December adopted for this study - see paragraph 30a) a review of maximum historic snow depths during this period was made to establish a reasonable snowpack. The snowpack on 1 February 1952 was found to be substantially larger than any other historic snowpack. This pack was adopted for PMF computations with the exception that it is somewhat deeper at the lower elevations. Snow densities were assumed to vary from 40 percent at the 5000 foot elevation to 30 percent at the 10,000 foot elevation. These densities are essentially equivalent to the 1952 densities but are somewhat higher than normal snowpack densities for this time of year. The adopted pack is about twice as large and substantially more dense than the pack used for SPF computations. Snow depths and densities are shown on table 25. \*

Potential snowmelt rates were computed for each 1,000 foot elevation band by use of the melt equation for rain-on-snow conditions and partly forested areas given in EM 1110-2-1406. Precipitation distribution, wind, and temperature data for use in this equation were based on criteria presented in Hydrometeorological Report No. 36, "Interim Report, Probable Maximum Precipitation in California," dated October 1961. Report No. 36 was used for wind and temperature data because Report No. 49 does not present this information. Use of Report No. 36 was informally discussed with representatives of the Hydrometeorological Branch of the National Weather Service and agreed upon as being applicable to the Steamboat Creek basin. Storm amounts were distributed to the various elevation zones in proportion to the normal annual precipitation of the zones. Precipitation was assumed to fall as rain when temperatures were above 32°F.

The influence of the snowpack on runoff was determined as discussed in paragraph 14a. Table 25 summarizes the rain-on-snow computations. Band excess amounts were distributed to the various sub-areas in proportion to \* the percentage of each subarea in each elevation zone. The entire area was considered to be contributing even though the snowmelt computations indicate that the small area above 10,000 feet would be non-contributing. \*

32. Probable maximum floods. - Probable maximum floods were computed using the unit hydrograph, loss rate, base flow, flood routing, and storm criteria discussed previously. Hydrographs are shown on chart 35. The cloudburst PMF has a peak flow of 94,000 cfs and a 24-hour volume of 34,100 acre-feet. \* The general rain PMF has a peak flow of 35,500 cfs and a 4-day volume of 67,500 AF. \*

TABLE 25  
 SUMMARY OF RAIN-ON-SNOW COMPUTATIONS - STEAMBOAT CREEK PMF

Elevation Band	Band Area (sq mi)	Band Exposure Constant	Antecedent		Total		Total		Total	
			Density (%)	Depth (in)	Precip (in)	Snowmelt (in)	Excess Water (in)	Excess Snow (in)	Density (%)	Depth (in)
4415-5000	29.8	1.0	40	15.5	5.57	6.20	11.77	0	0	0
5000-6000	39.7	1.0	39	27.3	8.79	10.65	19.44	0	0	0
6000-7000	16.3	1.0	37	49.3	12.21	10.13	21.94	40	21.29	21.29
7000-8000	10.8	1.0	35	78.4	18.50	6.63	23.50	40	56.10	56.10
8000-9000	7.3	1.0	33	116.4	23.09	2.53	19.41	35.63	118.14	118.14
9000-10000	5.5	1.0	31	157.4	29.31	0	1.37	33.48	229.21	229.21
10000-10800	0.9	1.0	29	176.5	31.74	0	0	16.79	493.90	493.90

**TABLE 8**  
**UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES**  
**DRAINAGE AREA BELOW 8,000 FEET, MSL, FOR DECEMBER 1955 FLOOD**

SUBAREAS	15	20	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60	62	64	66
CHARACTERISTICS															
D.A. (Sq. Mi.)	3.4	3.1	8.1	17.8	15.6	2.9	3.4	6.6	1.8	9.1	2.4	22.4	10.2	4.6	7.2
L (Mi.)	4.1	4.7	6.0	6.4	8.4	2.6	4.6	4.2	1.7	7.7	1.6	7.7	4.7	2.5	5.5
Lca (Mi.)	1.8	2.5	2.7	2.1	4.7	1.0	2.3	1.4	1.0	3.7	1.0	2.7	1.5	1.2	3.0
SLOPE (Ft./Mi.)	660.2	516.7	505.0	186.3	337.3	145.0	442.6	304.4	98.8	418.7	171.8	246.4	590.1	129.9	578.2
LLca/S.5	0.29	0.51	0.74	0.99	2.13	0.23	0.51	0.29	0.18	1.40	0.12	1.32	0.29	0.27	0.70
$\bar{n}$	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.07	.075	.07	.07	.075	.07	.075
LAG (Hours)	1.1	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.4	1.0	1.4	1.1	0.9	2.1	0.8	1.9	1.1	1.0	1.6
S-CURVE	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	2/	1/	1/	2/	1/	2/	2/	1/	2/	1/
ONE HOUR UNIT HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES (End of period flow in c.f.s.)															
TIME PERIOD (Hours)	950	636	1363	2478	1240	856	696	1843	670	992	948	1554	2827	1361	1245
2	802	742	1886	3943	2764	608	815	1549	306	1867	345	6105	2376	976	1679
3	266	316	988	2386	2276	183	348	513	100	1298	116	2849	787	294	853
4	108	141	444	1119	1440	94	155	207	50	696	56	1311	318	151	283
5	38	66	241	631	801	56	73	73	28	361	26	784	69	89	204
6	24	28	118	350	502	33	30	46	12	238	5	534	70	54	98
7	19	18	81	181	339	16	20	36	2	139		283	55	26	47
8	13	15	42	97	213	3	15	25		77		219	38	5	36
9		12	35	80	131		13			44		166			20
10		7	29	68	76		8			37		146			26
11			23	58	58					32		121			19
12			5	48	51					28		62			0
13				45	45					25		44			
14				41	41					19		15			
15				37	37					6					
16				31	31										
17				21	21										
TOTAL	2220	1981	5229	11461	10066	1849	2174	4292	1168	5879	1536	14450	6583	2956	4620

1/ Truckee Meadows average mountain - GR., 2/ Truckee Meadows average valley - GR/CB.

NOTE: Unit hydrographs for subareas 502-650, 68-84, and 700-760 are shown on Table 10.

TABLE 8  
UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES  
DRAINAGE AREAS BELOW 8,000 FEET, MSL, FOR THE DEC 1955 FLOOD

SUBAREAS	CHARACTERISTICS																		
	3380	3385	3390	3394	3397	3399	3403	3405	200	3420	3430	3435	3443	3444	3445	300	3460	400	3473
Contributing D.A. (Sq. Mi.)	39.1	15.1	27.6	29.4	7.4	15.7	2.7	6.3	32.4	5.0	10.1	70.5	6.2	28.5	2.3	21.0	29.3	13.6	27.6
L (MI.)	11.2	5.1	7.9	9.0	6.2	5.8	3.5	3.0	12.8	5.0	4.3	13.3	5.9	8.2	1.6	11.1	6.7	3.4	9.0
Lca (MI.)	5.9	2.6	4.7	5.3	3.0	2.2	1.4	1.4	7.8	2.8	1.6	3.6	3.9	2.5	0.8	5.2	2.4	1.2	3.6
SLOPE (ft./MI.)	163.7	403.9	276.0	225.5	290.3	237.6	93.7	331.6	63.3	540.0	184.0	94.9	101.2	183.4	289.5	165.8	244.0	400.0	239.4
LLca/3.5	4.05	0.64	1.95	2.44	1.10	0.83	0.51	0.30	12.55	0.54	0.52	4.85	1.71	1.50	0.09	4.53	0.20	0.20	2.7
LAG (Hours)	0.06	0.06	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.08	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
S-CURVE	2.6	1.2	1.9	2.4	1.5	1.4	1.1	0.9	5.0	1.2	1.1	2.6	1.0	1.7	0.6	2.6	1.6	0.8	2.0

TRUCKEE RIVER BASIN - MARTIS CREEK - MOUNTAIN

ONE HOUR UNIT HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES  
(End of period flow in c.f.s.)

TIME PERIOD (Hours)	0060	0618	0632	2399	2157	2380	1696	3980	797	2863	1742	1684	3964	9127	1614	8260	2918	6316	4891	
1	2277	2277	2277	2655	2157	2350	1215	2661	466	1412	2618	1000	1743	9104	1280	4056	2918	6316	4891	
2	1240	1240	1240	1873	2268	2432	775	1334	236	620	2308	319	896	6939	637	2595	2648	4731	4891	
3	575	575	575	1040	1544	1785	278	566	142	116	1711	540	750	3423	346	1481	2134	2963	2620	
4	288	288	288	585	885	1031	143	284	72	53	1073	271	291	2002	238	680	1054	1856	1577	
5	160	160	160	339	4653	676	98	184	16	16	3269	38	121	2178	238	438	1865	1758	1600	
6	90	90	90	237	649	491	59	94	9	16	1092	20	32	1638	106	270	650	1453	1200	
7	48	48	48	115	591	356	36	54	1	3	941	20	3	1331	106	177	266	285	110	
8	28	28	28	50	403	238	27	24			610	3		954	65	114	367	170	266	
9	17	17	17	27	333	190	11				601			532	43	114	223	112	155	
10	12	12	12	19	275	130	6				517			391	18	74	124	70	133	
11	8	8	8	14	226	90	4				445			222	10	45	113	64	82	
12	5	5	5	10	187	64	3				364			166	6	30	63	47	67	
13	3	3	3	7	139	48	2				320			125	4	20	47	35	47	
14	2	2	2	5	105	36	1				285			87	3	15	35	25	35	
15	1	1	1	4	81	26	1				211			67	2	11	20	18	18	
16	1	1	1	3	61	19	1				156			5	1	8	10	10	10	
17	1	1	1	2	45	14	1				116			4	1	6	8	8	8	
18	1	1	1	2	33	10	1				86			3	1	4	6	6	6	
19	1	1	1	2	23	8	1				74			3	1	3	5	5	5	
20	1	1	1	2	18	6	1				55			3	1	2	4	4	4	
21	1	1	1	2	14	5	1				40			2	1	2	3	3	3	
22	1	1	1	2	10	4	1				30			2	1	2	3	3	3	
23	1	1	1	2	8	3	1				26			2	1	2	3	3	3	
24	1	1	1	2	6	2	1				24			2	1	2	3	3	3	
25	1	1	1	2	5	2	1				22			2	1	2	3	3	3	
26	1	1	1	2	4	2	1				20			2	1	2	3	3	3	
27	1	1	1	2	3	2	1				19			2	1	2	3	3	3	
28	1	1	1	2	3	2	1				18			2	1	2	3	3	3	
29	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				17			2	1	2	3	3	3	
30	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
31	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
32	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
33	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
34	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
35	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
36	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
37	1	1	1	2	2	2	1				16			2	1	2	3	3	3	
TOTAL	25231	8576	9771	9099	17810	15735	4789	10159	1742	5357	20931	3748	6517	45516	5786	16411	14885	10883	6777	17814

NOTE: Unit hydrographs for subareas 502-650, 66-44, and 700-740 are shown in table 10.

TABLE 9  
 UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES  
 DRAINAGE AREAS BELOW 9,000 FEET, MSL, FOR THE STANDARD PROJECT GENERAL RAIN AND JAN-FEB 1963 FLOODS

SUBAREAS	CHARACTERISTICS																				
	3360	3385	50	100	3394	3397	3399	3403	3405	200	3420	3430	3435	3443	3444	3445	300	3460	400	3473	500
Contributing O.A. (Sq. Mi.)	44.0	14.6	17.4	18.1	40.0	27.4	7.4	15.7	2.7	6.3	36.5	7.6	10.8	81.1	10.0	26.0	2.3	49.8	37.4	14.0	32.1
L (MI.)	11.4	5.5	8.1	9.0	10.2	10.3	6.2	5.0	3.5	3.0	12.6	5.4	4.7	13.3	6.4	0.2	1.6	18.8	9.3	4.1	10.0
Lca (MI.)	6.3	2.9	4.4	3.6	2.9	6.0	3.0	2.2	1.4	1.4	7.4	2.6	1.7	4.2	4.8	2.8	0.0	4.5	3.1	1.7	2.8
SLOPE (ft./MI.)	270.2	489.1	318.5	151.1	179.4	301.0	290.3	237.6	93.7	331.6	139.0	680.2	355.2	185.0	363.2	258.7	239.5	267.2	448.2	621.0	335.0
llca/s	8.37	0.76	2.00	2.68	2.21	3.37	1.10	0.83	0.31	0.30	0.23	0.56	0.43	4.54	1.40	1.37	0.09	4.00	1.35	0.38	1.63
X	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.12	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.10	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
LAG (Hour)	2.5	1.3	1.9	2.1	3.9	2.3	1.5	1.0	1.1	0.9	5.4	1.2	1.1	2.6	1.0	1.6	0.6	2.4	1.6	0.9	1.7
S-CURVE																					

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TIME PERIOD (Hours)	3360	3385	50	100	3394	3397	3399	3403	3405	200	3420	3430	3435	3443	3444	3445	300	3460	400	3473	500
1	6227	2408	3263	2349	3185	1011	1496	3960	797	2865	1766	2195	3365	10093	1979	5499	1061	6949	6059	5099	4422
2	4013	1398	2687	2055	4002	972	1215	2661	464	1812	2863	3215	1908	14615	1547	4226	314	6650	6057	2712	2176
3	3349	782	1801	1473	2117	2136	1735	1524	238	420	2496	945	1008	15118	1022	2626	85	4889	3014	1504	1361
4	2899	539	1208	1008	1498	1439	1465	872	122	272	1484	545	443	5593	637	1632	23	3394	1497	217	897
5	1897	339	842	486	1047	1043	1043	500	52	153	1037	787	216	4006	434	1018	50	1943	948	94	581
6	1050	178	564	339	1524	757	163	286	16	16	1473	94	105	3288	286	530	50	1428	594	72	377
7	718	109	363	237	1237	549	36	184	0	0	1074	51	52	2408	128	213	52	1051	374	374	180
8	561	73	243	115	1027	208	24	54	1	1	826	27	16	1524	128	151	180	773	234	188	167
9	417	51	169	115	704	209	11	24			924	22	10	1814	51	94	180	567	188	142	76
10	310	39	113	50	581	110					612	10		1420	22	58	180	275	117	42	
11	230	27	83	39	479	80					532	8		1020	10	50	180	225	166		
12	177	19	63	27	396	60					462	4		713	8	42	180	122	122		
13	137	11	48	19	325	39					402	2		524	6	30	180	90	90		
14	95	8	34	14	248	27					389	1		411	4	22	180	63	63		
15	70	6	26	10	183	21					263	0		331	3	16	180	52	52		
16	52	4	18	8	150	16					229	0		248	2	12	180	42	42		
17	40	3	14	6	124	12					198	0		184	1	9	180	34	34		
18	31	2	10	5	102	10					173	0		142	1	7	180	28	28		
19	24	1	8	4	85	8					150	0		113	1	6	180	23	23		
20	19	1	6	3	68	6					130	0		88	1	5	180	19	19		
21	15	1	5	2	54	5					114	0		74	1	4	180	15	15		
22	12	1	4	2	42	4					94	0		64	1	3	180	12	12		
23	10	1	3	2	33	3					79	0		56	1	2	180	10	10		
24	8	1	2	2	26	2					66	0		49	1	2	180	8	8		
25	6	1	2	2	21	2					56	0		42	1	2	180	7	7		
26	5	1	2	2	17	2					47	0		37	1	2	180	6	6		
27	4	1	2	2	14	2					40	0		32	1	2	180	5	5		
28	3	1	2	2	11	2					34	0		28	1	2	180	4	4		
29	3	1	2	2	9	2					29	0		24	1	2	180	3	3		
30	3	1	2	2	7	2					24	0		21	1	2	180	3	3		
31	3	1	2	2	6	2					20	0		19	1	2	180	3	3		
32	3	1	2	2	5	2					17	0		17	1	2	180	3	3		
33	3	1	2	2	4	2					15	0		15	1	2	180	3	3		
34	3	1	2	2	4	2					14	0		14	1	2	180	3	3		
35	3	1	2	2	4	2					13	0		13	1	2	180	3	3		
36	3	1	2	2	4	2					12	0		12	1	2	180	3	3		
37	3	1	2	2	4	2					11	0		11	1	2	180	3	3		
38	3	1	2	2	4	2					11	0		11	1	2	180	3	3		
39	3	1	2	2	4	2					11	0		11	1	2	180	3	3		
TOTAL	29668	9323	11357	9099	25813	17683	8740	10159	1742	5357	23554	4925	6969	52319	6452	16780	1405	31912	24278	10327	20715



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UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES  
AREAS BELOW 9,000 FEET, MSL, FOR STANDARD PROJECT, DEC 1955 AND JAN-FEB 1963 FLOODS

	510	515	520	525	530	535	540	545	550	555	560	565	570	580	585	590	595	600	602	604	606	610	620	625	630	640	650		
CHARACTERISTICS	1.9	3.0	5.5	8.2	2.7	2.1	1.2	2.1	2.0	2.8	2.8	1.4	0.4	2.5	1.8	4.4	10.3	50.9	2.8	2.8	8.0	2.3	1.7						
ORDINATES	280.5	448.3	731.8	910.6	1032	1032	984.8	911.1	807.2	639	420	138	42	1092	1092	946	814	678	518	269	538	958	1487	1118	665	618	58	58	
	0.075	0.06	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.03	0.06	0.02	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.06	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06
	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	1/	2/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/
	1030	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900
	1030	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900
	1030	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1900	2000	2100	2200	2300	2400	2500	2600	2700	2800	2900	3000	3100	3200	3300	3400	3500	3600	3700	3800	3900

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**TABLE 9**  
**UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES**  
**DRAINAGE AREA BELOW 9,000 FEET, MSL. FOR THE STANDARD PROJECT GENERAL RAIN AND JAN-FEB 1963 FLOOD**

SUBAREAS	CHARACTERISTICS																				
	15	20	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60	62 1/2	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78
D.A. (Sq. Mi.)	4.5	5.5	6.9	17.0	15.4	2.9	5.6	6.6	1.8	10.5	2.4	22.8	10.2	4.6	6.8	2.9	3.6	1.9	4.7	2.7	2.1
L (Hr.)	4.7	6.2	6.3	4.8	8.4	2.6	5.8	8.2	1.7	8.8	1.6	7.7	8.7	2.5	6.8	3.0	3.7	2.5	4.3	2.8	4.8
Lca (Mi.)	2.4	2.7	2.9	2.1	4.7	1.0	3.0	1.4	1.0	4.5	1.0	2.7	1.5	1.2	3.9	1.4	1.9	1.2	1.7	1.6	2.5
SLOPE (ft./Mi.)	783.9	547.8	478.9	186.3	337.5	143.0	566.0	384.4	98.0	593.4	171.8	246.8	590.1	129.9	557.6	218.7	29.9	80.0	317.1	14.1	25.0
ILCef/S	0.8	0.72	0.71	0.99	2.13	0.23	0.69	0.29	0.18	1.67	0.12	1.32	0.29	0.27	1.14	0.20	1.20	0.34	0.81	1.48	2.17
LAG (Hours)	1.3	1.6	1.6	1.6	2.4	1.0	1.6	1.1	0.9	2.2	0.8	1.9	1.1	1.0	1.9	1.1	1.6	0.6	0.7	1.0	1.9
S-CURVE	1/	1/	3/	1/	1/	2/	1/	1/	2/	1/	2/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/

**ONE HOUR UNIT HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES**  
*(End of period flow in c. f. s.)*

TIME PERIOD (Hours)	15	20	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60	62 1/2	64	66	68	70	72	74	76	78
1	1078	1201	1381	2478	1240	610	982	1883	610	998	988	1595	2377	1321	1005	152	248	968	2081	809	260
2	1078	1201	1381	2478	2764	608	1318	1599	306	2031	245	2408	2745	1321	1005	152	248	968	2081	809	260
3	1078	1201	1381	2478	2764	183	683	517	140	1818	156	2408	2745	1321	1005	152	248	968	2081	809	260
4	1078	1201	1381	2478	1840	48	158	211	28	112	26	744	318	151	577	104	200	33	205	171	172
5	1078	1201	1381	2478	501	31	128	146	12	305	5	534	112	89	319	62	120	53	95	68	87
6	1078	1201	1381	2478	379	14	78	128	12	169	5	283	70	84	169	40	82	20	52	32	59
7	1078	1201	1381	2478	313	14	38	26	2	112	5	243	55	78	103	27	28	15	21	12	25
8	1078	1201	1381	2478	191	5	24	26	2	63	5	129	38	5	54	24	33	25	21	12	15
9	1078	1201	1381	2478	68	5	20	24	2	34	5	121	22	3	31	18	18	12	12	12	7
10	1078	1201	1381	2478	58	5	20	24	2	29	5	82	12	2	28	12	12	12	12	12	6
11	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
12	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
13	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
14	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
15	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
16	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
17	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
18	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
19	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
20	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
21	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
22	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
23	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
24	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
25	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
26	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
27	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
28	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
29	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
30	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
31	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
32	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
33	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
34	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
35	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
36	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
37	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
38	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
39	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
40	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
41	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
42	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
43	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
44	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
45	1078	1201	1381	2478	48	5	20	24	2	27	5	46	12	2	19	5	6	6	6	6	6
TOTAL	2872	3569	5368	11461	10066	1849	3671	4292	1165	6746	1536	18450	6583	2956	5438	1891	2239	1213	3021	1736	1915

1/ Truckee Meadows average mountain - CR.  
 2/ Truckee Meadows average valley - GP/CR.  
 3/ Consists of subareas 621, 622, 623 and 624

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 DRAINAGE AREA BELOW 9,000 FEET, MSL, FOR THE STANDARD PROJECT GENERAL RAIN AND JAN-FEB 1963 FLOODS

0	35	40	42	44	46	46	50	60	62	72	74	76	78	80	82	84	700	720	730	740	760
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CHARACTERISTICS

35.6	2.9	2.9	5.6	6.6	10.5	2.4	22.4	10.2	4.6	1.9	4.7	2.7	2.1	2.0	2.5	3.6	1.5	241.0	89.0	94.0	93.4	
39.5	2.6	2.6	6.6	8.2	1.7	1.6	7.7	4.7	2.5	3.7	4.3	2.6	4.4	3.4	4.2	4.8	1.9	32.5	13.5	10.3	18.8	
42.9	0.4	0.4	1.0	1.0	1.0	1.0	2.7	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.7	1.6	2.5	1.7	3.2	3.1	0.5	9.1	6.7	6.9	6.1	
43.1	0.7	1.0	3.0	1.0	8.5	1.0	2.7	1.5	1.2	1.9	1.7	1.6	2.5	1.7	3.2	3.1	0.5	9.1	6.7	6.9	6.1	
537.3	145.0	566.0	566.0	384.8	90.0	503.6	246.4	500.1	129.9	215.7	29.9	90.0	317.1	14.1	25.0	123.9	4.8	66.7	393.0	203.6	131.1	
99	2.13	0.23	0.69	0.29	0.10	1.67	0.12	1.32	0.29	0.27	1.14	0.28	1.28	0.34	0.34	2.21	1.61	0.05	50.37	5.28	0.93	9.33
.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075	.075
2.4	1.0	1.0	1.6	1.1	0.9	2.2	0.8	1.9	1.1	1.3	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.3	2.3	2.6	0.4	6.2	3.2	3.9	3.9	
1/	2/	1/	1/	2/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/	1/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	2/	1/	2/	1/	1/	1/

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 (End of period flow in c.f.s.)

2410	1240	666	982	1040	800	988	1558	2827	1361	1065	752	289	868	2081	809	200	463	110	319	763	2923	2771	2988	2812	
2768	2768	1106	1328	1815	1520	315	4185	2376	874	1816	697	955	270	697	567	602	820	508	1426	185	6051	6180	2988	40218	
2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768	2768
431	102	54	207	273	472	54	784	112	319	577	104	120	7	5	31	24	18	183	209	15	17184	2071	7600	7484	
502	502	33	36	66	205	26	534	70	34	319	62	120	7	5	31	24	18	183	209	15	16258	3576	5716	5639	
581	379	16	28	25	109	5	262	38	28	403	29	66	3	2	15	15	12	71	104	77	13340	1523	4032	4007	
80	131	3	28	25	141	83	216	30	28	53	29	66	3	2	15	15	12	71	104	77	13340	1523	4032	4007	
84	48	3	28	25	141	83	216	30	28	53	29	66	3	2	15	15	12	71	104	77	13340	1523	4032	4007	
102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102	102
51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51	51
45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45	45
37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37	37
31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31	31
21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21	21
1161	10066	1899	3421	4792	1168	6766	1556	14456	6883	2956	5034	2739	1213	3021	1736	1375	1329	1812	3628	978	155538	31623	61951	60276	
8 628																									

**TABLE 10**  
**UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES**  
**DRAINAGE AREA BELOW 9,000 FEET, MSL, FOR THE PROBABLE MAXIMUM GENERAL RAIN FLOODS**

	15	20	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60
<b>SUBAREAS</b>												
D.A. (Sq. Mi.)	4.5	5.5	8.4	17.8	15.6	2.9	5.6	6.6	1.8	10.5	2.4	22.4
L (Mi.)	4.7	6.2	6.3	6.4	8.4	2.6	5.4	4.2	1.7	8.4	1.6	7.7
Lca (Mi.)	2.4	2.7	2.9	2.1	4.7	1.0	9.0	1.4	1.0	4.5	1.0	2.7
SLOPE (Ft./Mi.)	783.9	547.0	674.9	186.3	337.3	145.0	566.0	384.4	98.8	503.6	171.8	246.5
LLca/S.5	0.40	0.72	0.71	0.99	2.13	0.23	0.69	0.29	0.18	1.67	0.12	1.22
$\bar{n}$	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.056	0.06	0.056	0.056
LAG (Hours)	1.0	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.9	0.8	1.3	0.9	0.7	1.8	0.6	1.5
S-CURVE	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	2/	1/	1/	2/	1/	2/	2/

**CHARACTERISTICS**

**ONE HOUR UNIT HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES**  
*(End of period flow in c.f.s.)*

TIME PERIOD (Hours)	15	20	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60
1	1400	1304	1990	3536	1919	1120	1354	2377	797	1520	1129	2745
2	973	1335	2013	4278	3335	455	1351	1326	239	2352	273	6675
3	302	504	752	1897	2172	150	499	374	81	1387	92	2141
4	105	221	329	845	1093	74	217	108	38	639	37	1040
5	40	90	133	409	601	39	87	56	14	362	5	642
6	29	41	61	176	361	40	40	41	1	196		426
7	22	31	47	105	198	13	32	10		98		303
8	3	26	38	86	103		26			56		215
9		18	25	72	71		15			46		145
10				54	61					40		84
11					53					34		32
12					47					27		1
13					37					7		
14					15							
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2874</b>	<b>3570</b>	<b>5308</b>	<b>11458</b>	<b>10066</b>	<b>1851</b>	<b>3621</b>	<b>4292</b>	<b>1170</b>	<b>6764</b>	<b>1536</b>	<b>14449</b>

1/ Truckee Meadows average mountain - GR.  
 2/ Truckee Meadows average valley - GR/CB.



TABLE 12  
UNIT HYDROGRAPH CHARACTERISTICS AND ORDINATES  
DRAINAGE AREAS FOR PROBABLE MAXIMUM CLOUDBURST FLOODS

SUBAREAS	15	20	201	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60
O.A. (Sq. Mi.)	4.6	3.0	7.5	8.4	17.8	15.6	2.9	8.0	6.6	1.8	11.4	2.4	27.4
L (Mi.)	0.8	2.7	5.5	6.3	8.8	8.8	5.0	5.0	4.2	1.7	8.8	1.4	7.1
Lee (Mi.)	2.6	1.7	3.3	2.9	2.1	4.7	1.0	3.9	1.4	1.0	9.1	1.0	2.7
SLOPE (ft./mi.)	858.7	688.7	694.1	674.9	186.2	337.3	185.0	697.4	388.4	98.8	873.1	171.0	246.4
Area/S	0.43	0.18	0.68	0.73	0.99	2.13	0.23	0.03	0.29	0.18	1.87	0.12	1.32
Q	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.06	0.056	0.06	0.06	0.056
Lag (Hours)	1.1	0.8	1.3	1.3	1.4	1.9	0.6	1.4	0.9	0.7	1.0	0.6	1.5
S-CURVE	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	1/	2/	1/	1/	2/	1/	2/	2/

1/4 HOUR UNIT HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES  
(End of period flow in c.f.s.)

TIME PERIOD (1/4 Hours)	15	20	201	25	30	35	40	42	44	46	48	50	60
1	316	232	620	676	1121	530	234	568	337	199	466	324	624
2	1550	859	1550	1709	2929	1883	866	1832	2554	850	1832	1971	1502
3	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
4	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
5	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
6	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
7	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
8	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
9	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
10	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
11	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
12	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
13	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
14	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
15	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
16	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
17	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
18	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
19	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
20	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
21	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
22	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
23	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
24	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
25	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
26	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
27	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
28	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
29	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
30	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
31	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
32	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
33	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
34	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
35	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
36	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
37	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
38	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
39	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
40	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
41	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
42	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
43	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
44	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
45	1780	859	2380	2601	4159	2879	1240	2821	2374	1701	2770	1971	1502
TOTAL	11850	2683	19237	21552	65884	80268	7410	30659	17165	4371	29400	6145	57797

1/ Treche Meadows average mountain - CB.  
2/ Treche Meadows average valley - GP/CB.

**TABLE 15**  
**UNREGULATED CONDITION FLOWS - TRUCKEE RIVER**  
**(OCTOBER - MARCH)**  
*(Flows in c.f.s.)*

WATER YEAR	TRUCKEE RIVER AT FARAD						TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO					
	PEAK	1 DAY	3 DAY	7 DAY	15 DAY	30 DAY	PEAK	1 DAY	3 DAY	7 DAY	15 DAY	30 DAY
1900												
1901												
1902		1194	874	733	626	518						
1903		3211	2565	1318	827	610						
1904		6739	5080	3812	2613	2591						
1905												
1906		1821	1496	1293	1337	1091						
1907		1290										
1908		15300	9260	6420	3697	2236	14600	11493	7062	4816	2726	
1909		1393	1329	1298	1284	1130	8540	7503	5118	3423	2313	
1910		8810	7010	4952	3280	2207						
1911		3890	3106	2821	2114	1700	3360	3085	2504	2246	1891	
1912		2290	2100	1882	1502	1207						
1913		910	894	848	819	614						
1914		810	680	340	490	449	1100	700	536	474	437	
1915		2700	2426	2277	1970	1422	7520	3540	3210	2350	2030	1510
1916		927	862	821	702	604	940	887	860	720	560	
1917		3540	3123	2667	2328	1946	3870	3420	2880	2480	2040	
1918		965	812	783	637	578	1060	899	724	594	436	
1919		1620	860	719	629	580	920	853	804	712	622	
1920		1040	927	765	641	570	1170	910	746	589	502	
1921												
1922		595	545	521	514	494						
1923		1930	1640	1377	1184	1017						
1924		582	534	522	515	500						
1925		1200	1116	953	768	636						
1926		767	639	530	493	454						
1927		3430	2116	1352	856	611						
1928		754	720	677	651	529						
1929		2160	1890	1422	1188	992						
1930		12000	9866	5885	2998	1723						
1931		736	531	480	409	340						
1932												
1933		1360	1283	1197	867	581						
1934		888	694	579	420	307	759	621	564	412	291	
1935		1340	1190	1016	776	506	1240	1200	1040	847	564	
1936		224	205	179	162	142	211	199	167	151	128	
1937		2500	1839	1301	989	710	1790	1500	1020	790	569	
1938												
1939		421	320	239	201	177						
1940		1549	1439	1281	1073	823						
1941		792	668	609	363	324						
1942	15800	12300	7833	4642	2362	1408						
1943		1174	1148	1004	816	639						
1944												
1945		5440	4640	3747	2195	1426						
1946		1130	937	749	580	529						
1947		1579	1537	1491	1449	1182						
1948		4984	3049	2899	2509	2474	6462	4062	2950	2720	2434	
1949		529	489	428	381	389						
1950												
1951		1976	1388	957	767	593						
1952		1378	1347	1043	775	551	1110	1028	918	838	793	
1953		1308	1236	824	722	679	1239	1205	863	613	485	
1954		1179	842	662	478	333	1016	838	664	484	343	
1955		453	481	441	418	366	322	313	307	285	238	
1956												
1957		1104	1042	918	745	627	1349	1072	958	779	663	
1958	18000	11000	9412	6662	3894	3850	20800	15662	10355	6491	3883	3581
1959		1025	1821	1805	1748	1693	2734	2632	2170	2052	1923	
1960		1358	1351	1341	1324	1244	1726	1424	1421	1402	1313	
1961		2548	2084	1372	946	694	2801	2311	1536	1036	780	
1962												
1963		662	572	518	456	420	530	596	519	461	420	
1964	24600	21668	12646	6900	3772	3422	22800	25666	14611	7902	4370	2780
1965		1801	1757	1638	1524	1276	1973	1829	1700	1560	1329	
1966		1590	1381	1098	814	640	2501	1938	1424	1012	768	
1967		1044	946	775	609	593	742	632	405	392	338	
1968												
1969		1499	1334	1196	985	843	1825	1311	1167	943	824	
1970		509	532	511	481	398	340	354	345	297	269	
1971		715	635	492	394	269	789	572	510	355	274	
1972												
1973	30500	20119	11441	6674	3625	2283	33400	24485	13343	7894	4398	2634
1974		1788	1245	829	674	539	1482	1242	828	640	554	



1913		810	880	840	490	449		1100	700	536	474	437
1914		2700	2426	2277	1970	1422	7820	3840	3210	2380	2090	1810
1915		927	862	821	702	604		940	887	840	720	640
1916		3840	3123	2647	2328	1944		3670	3420	2880	2480	2040
1917		968	812	785	637	578		1060	899	724	594	536
1918		1620	840	719	629	500		920	859	804	712	622
1919		1640	927	765	641	570		1170	910	784	599	502
1920		598	545	521	514	494						
1921		1990	1640	1577	1184	1017						
1922		542	534	522	518	508						
1923		1200	1116	955	768	634						
1924		747	639	530	493	484						
1925		3490	2116	1382	886	611						
1926		784	720	677	681	529						
1927		2160	1890	1822	1588	992						
1928		12000	9064	8885	2995	1723						
1929		784	581	480	409	340						
1930		1560	1283	1197	867	581						
1931		888	694	579	420	307		789	621	544	412	291
1932		1340	1190	1016	776	504		1280	1200	1040	887	564
1933		224	208	179	162	142		211	199	167	151	120
1934		2300	1899	1301	989	710		1790	1300	1020	790	569
1935		421	320	239	201	177						
1936		1889	1489	1281	1073	823						
1937		792	668	609	563	524						
1938	15800	12900	7833	4642	2562	1408						
1939		1174	1148	1004	816	639						
1940		5440	4660	3747	2195	1426						
1941		1130	937	749	580	529						
1942		1879	1837	1491	1469	1182						
1943		4984	3049	2899	2509	2474		6462	4062	2980	2720	2434
1944		529	449	420	381	309						
1945		1976	1388	987	767	593						
1946		1578	1347	1043	775	551		1110	1028	918	838	793
1947		1380	1236	824	722	679		1239	1205	885	613	483
1948		1179	842	662	478	333		1016	838	664	484	343
1949		483	451	441	418	366		322	313	307	285	238
1950		1104	1042	918	745	627		1349	1072	958	779	663
1951	18000	11000	9412	6662	3894	3450	20500	15662	10585	6391	3883	3581
1952		1825	1821	1805	1748	1693		2794	2632	2170	2052	1923
1953		1388	1351	1341	1324	1284		1726	1424	1421	1402	1315
1954		2548	2084	1372	946	694		2801	2311	1536	1036	730
1955		462	372	318	438	420		630	596	519	461	420
1956	24600	21668	12646	6900	3772	3422	27800	25666	14611	7902	4370	2780
1957		1881	1737	1630	1524	1276		1973	1829	1700	1568	1329
1958		1590	1341	1098	814	640		2501	1935	1426	1012	766
1959		1044	944	775	609	595		742	632	605	592	538
1960		1899	1354	1196	985	843		1825	1311	1147	943	824
1961		989	532	311	441	398		380	384	345	297	269
1962		718	638	492	394	269		789	672	510	355	274
1963	30500	20119	11441	6674	3825	2289	39400	24485	13345	7894	4398	2634
1964		1788	1245	829	674	539		1482	1242	938	680	584
1965	24000	17237	14120	8833	4767	2819	28300	14884	12938	8714	4731	2802
1966		2098	2085	2065	1827	1271		1951	1928	1917	1730	1201
1967		3834	2952	2312	1769	1190		3886	3563	2841	2140	1391
1968		2173	1875	1684	1364	1071		2336	2174	1871	1449	1132
1969		3887	3346	2732	2321	2100		4307	3683	2937	2505	2222
1970		10221	7880	5918	4523	3393		9255	8314	6881	5075	3816
1971		1330	1256	1125	1040	991		1436	1375	1276	1128	1062
1972		1576	1505	1464	1380	1250		1430	1411	1319	1239	1100
1973		1408	1208	998	713	562		1286	1243	1067	780	583
1974		3479	2771	2317	1921	1626		4220	4000	3098	1944	1701
1975		855	768	662	590	540		1475	1086	797	671	620
1976		979	733	585	479	463		904	664	521	415	361
1977		342	381	383	509	408		557	536	432	394	383

COMPUTED STATISTICS

Years Record	76	75	75	75	75	47	47	47	47	47
Log Mean	3.239	3.189	3.096	3.001	2.907	3.304	3.231	3.137	3.038	2.980
Log Std. Dev.	.424	.397	.361	.322	.299	.477	.459	.411	.376	.373
Skew	.810	.680	.479	.236	.158	.689	.441	.308	.093	.223

EXTENDED STATISTICS BASED ON MULTIPLE CORRELATION

Equip. Years Record	76.9	77	77	76.9	76.9	76.5	74.8	76.8	76.8	76.5
Log Mean	3.266	3.189	3.100	3.004	2.911	3.276	3.203	3.109	3.008	2.919
Log Std. Dev.	.425	.397	.389	.319	.296	.439	.416	.381	.347	.345
Skew	.767	.681	.448	.233	.135	.695	.485	.339	.178	.313

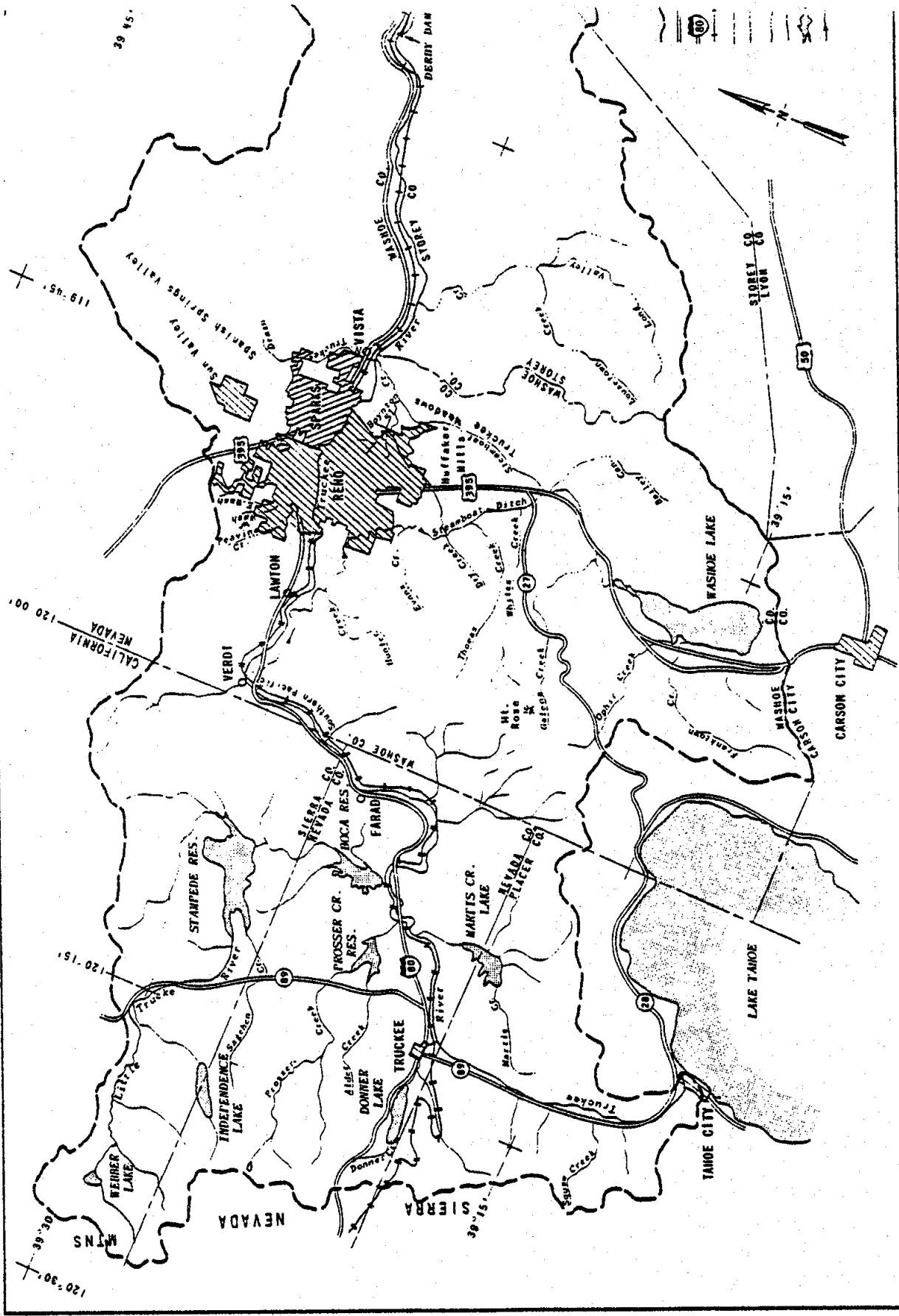
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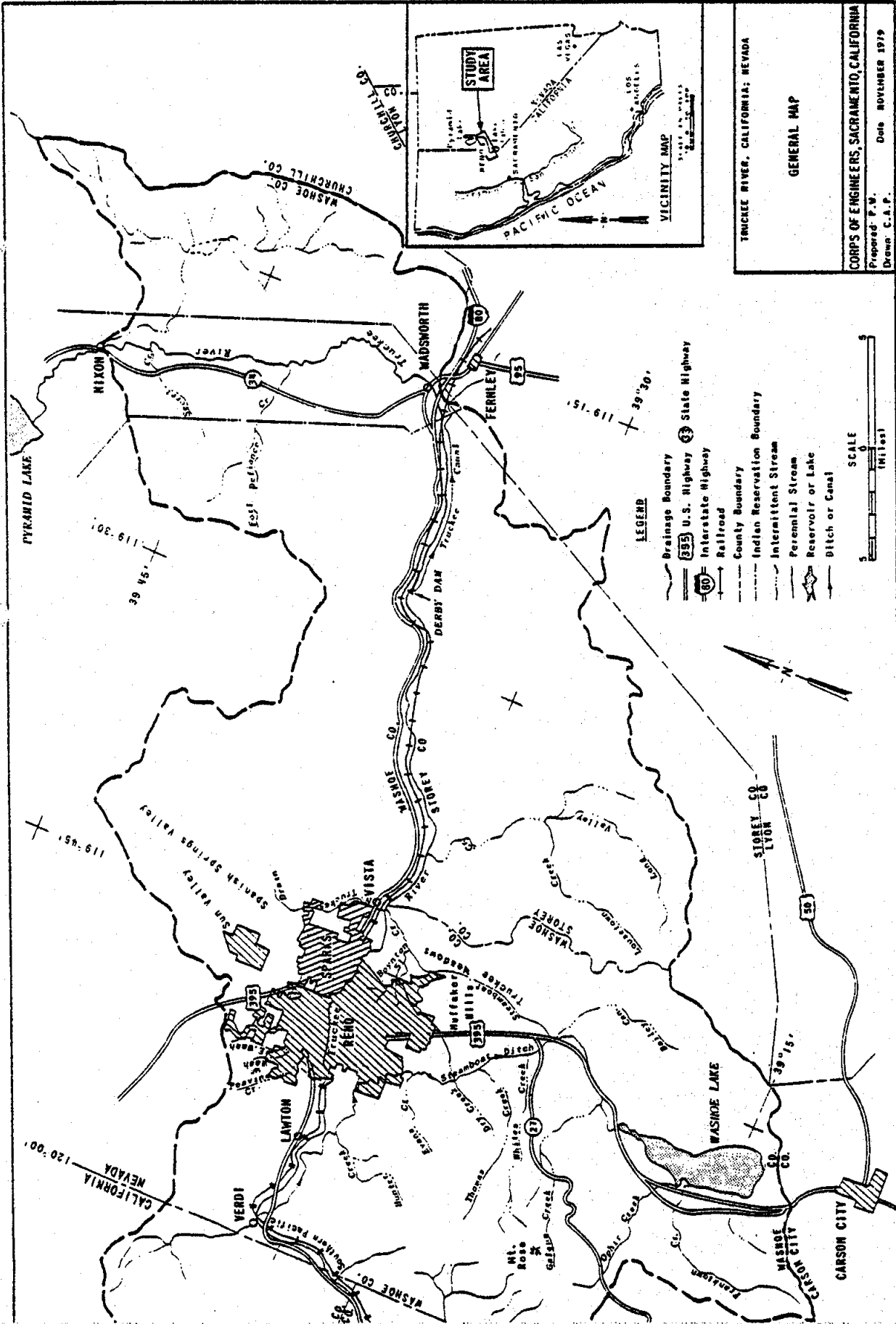
Equip. Years Record	77	77	77	77	77	77	77	77	77	77
Log Mean	3.266	3.189	3.100	3.004	2.910	3.276	3.203	3.109	3.008	2.919
Log Std. Dev.	.38	.36	.34	.32	.29	.40	.38	.35	.33	.30
Skew	.6	.5	.4	.2	.1	.6	.5	.4	.2	.1

TABLE 15  
 UNREGULATED CONDITION FLOWS - TRUCKEE RIVER  
 (OCTOBER - MARCH)  
*(Flows in c.f.s.)*

WATER YEAR	TRUCKEE RIVER NR YISTA						TRUCKEE RIVER BELOW DERBY DAM NEAR WADSWORTH						TRUCKEE RIVER NEAR NIXON						
	PEAK	1 DAY	3 DAY	7 DAY	15 DAY	30 DAY	PEAK	1 DAY	3 DAY	7 DAY	15 DAY	30 DAY	PEAK	1 DAY	3 DAY	7 DAY	15 DAY	30 DAY	
1900																			
1901		8210	3080	3170	2640	2090													
1902		1290	1030	885	794	709													
1903		5680	4110	2990	1480	1090													
1904		8280	6410	3120	4290	3660													
1905		2040	1870	1870	1440	1320													
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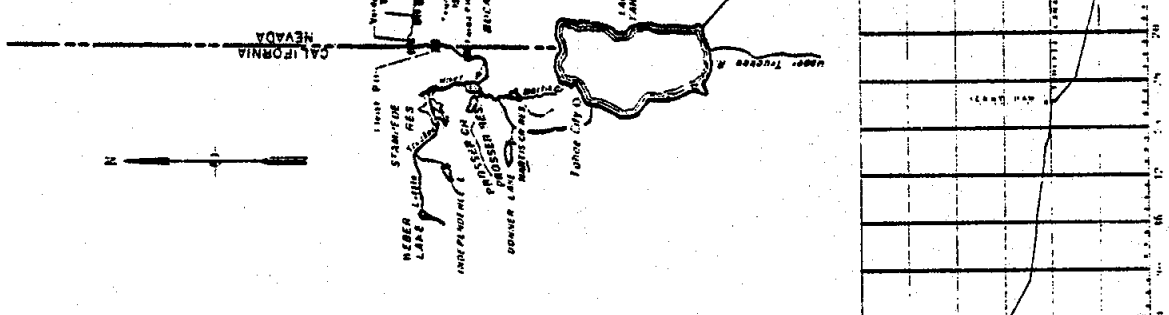
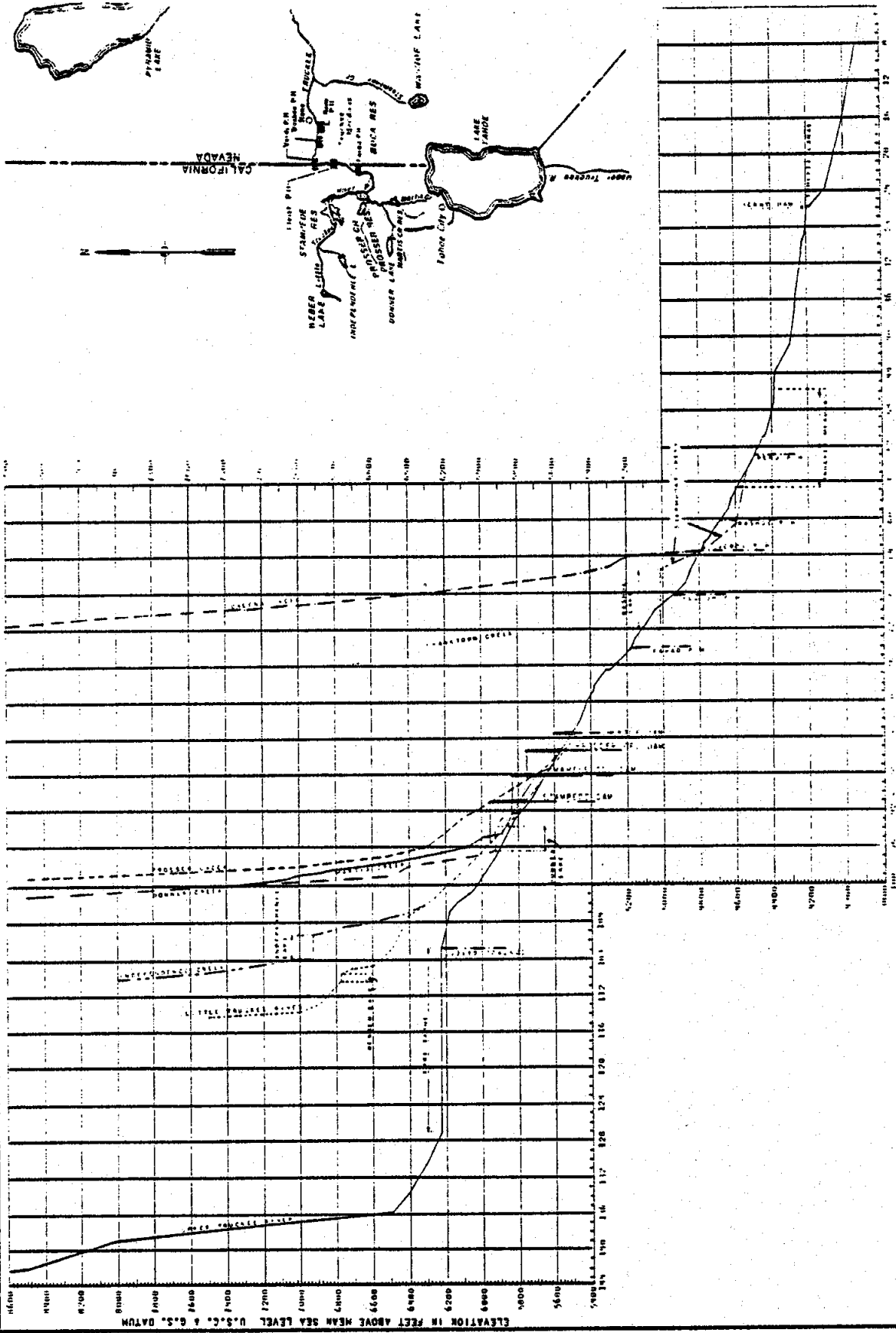


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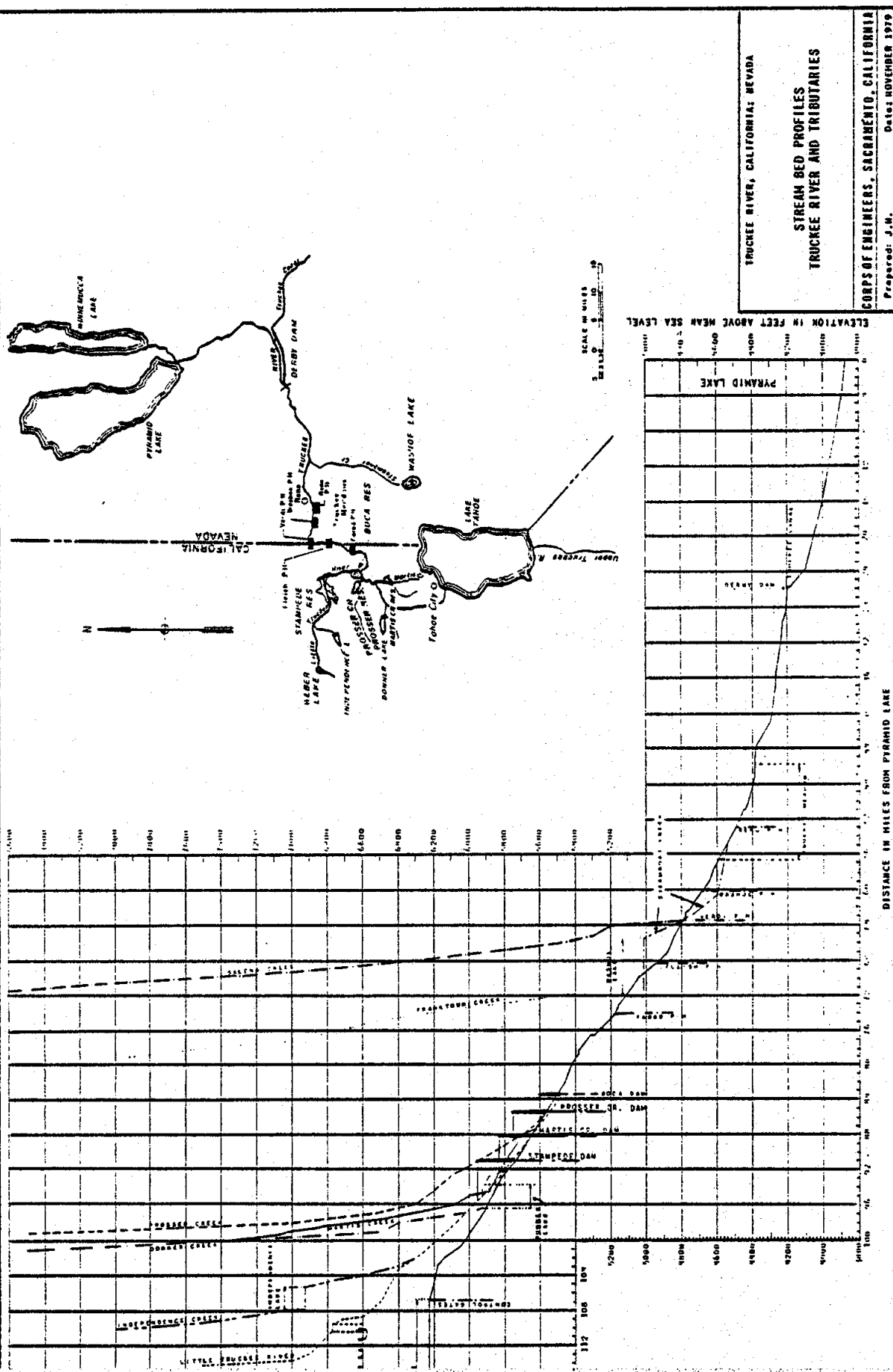
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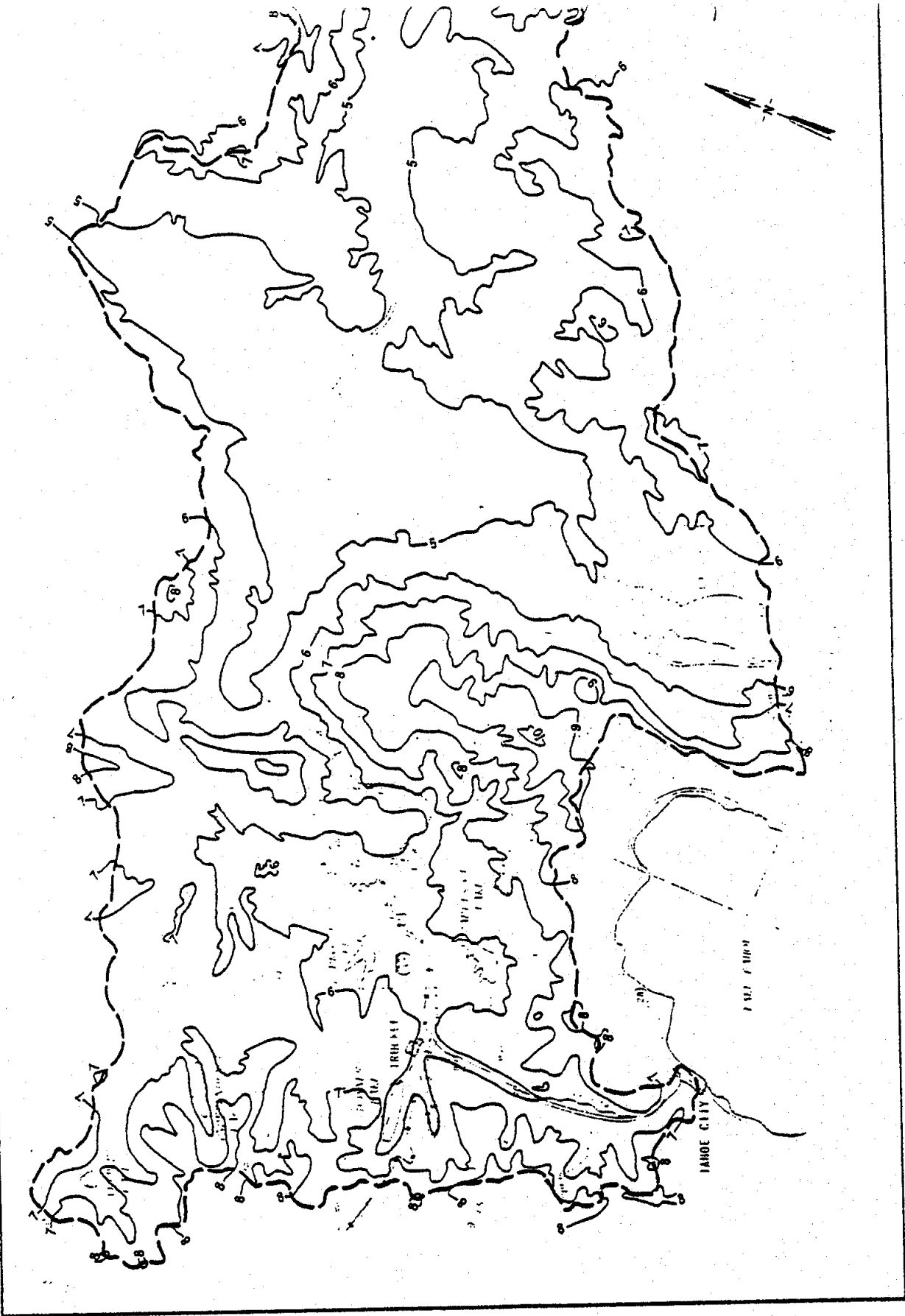
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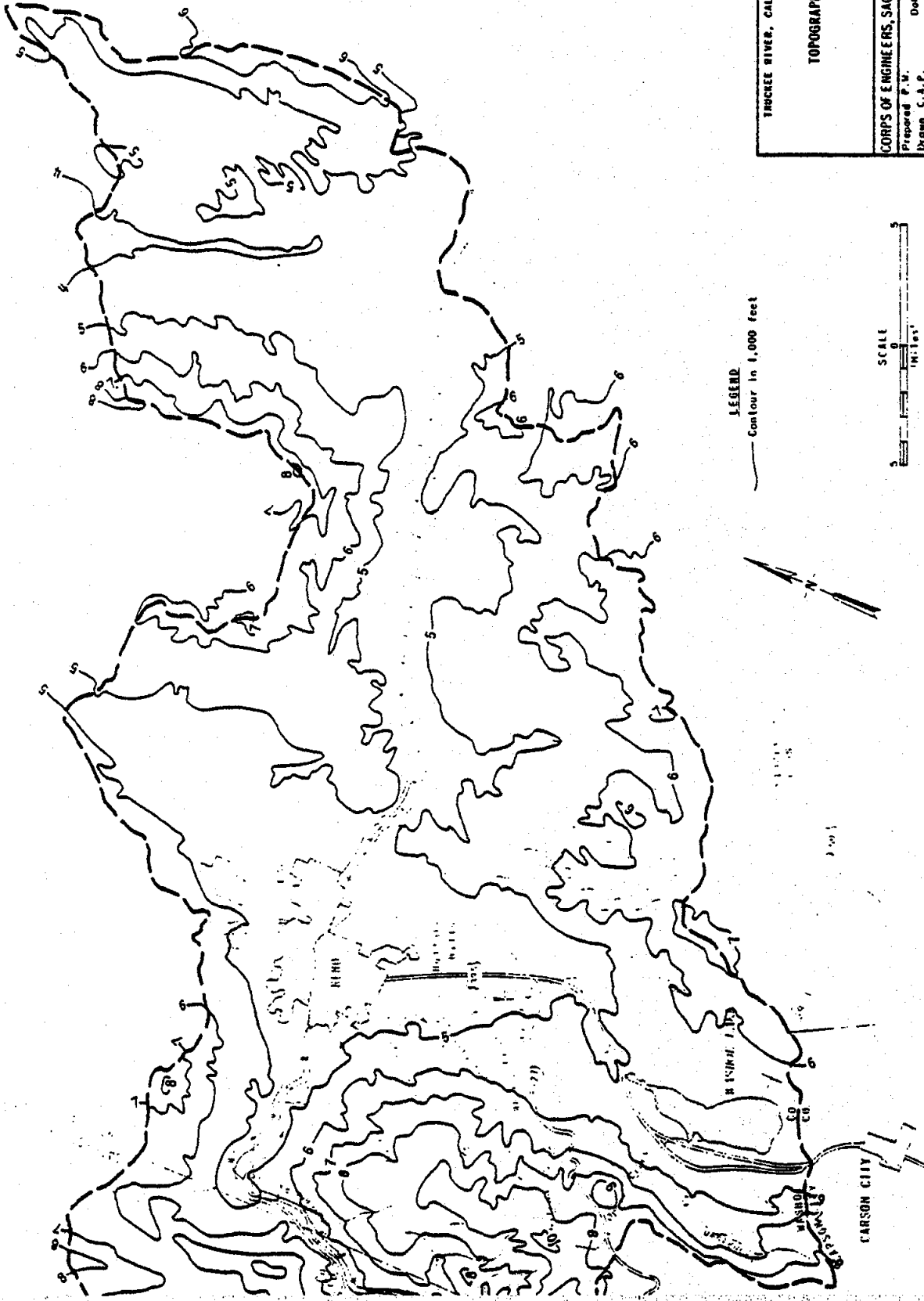
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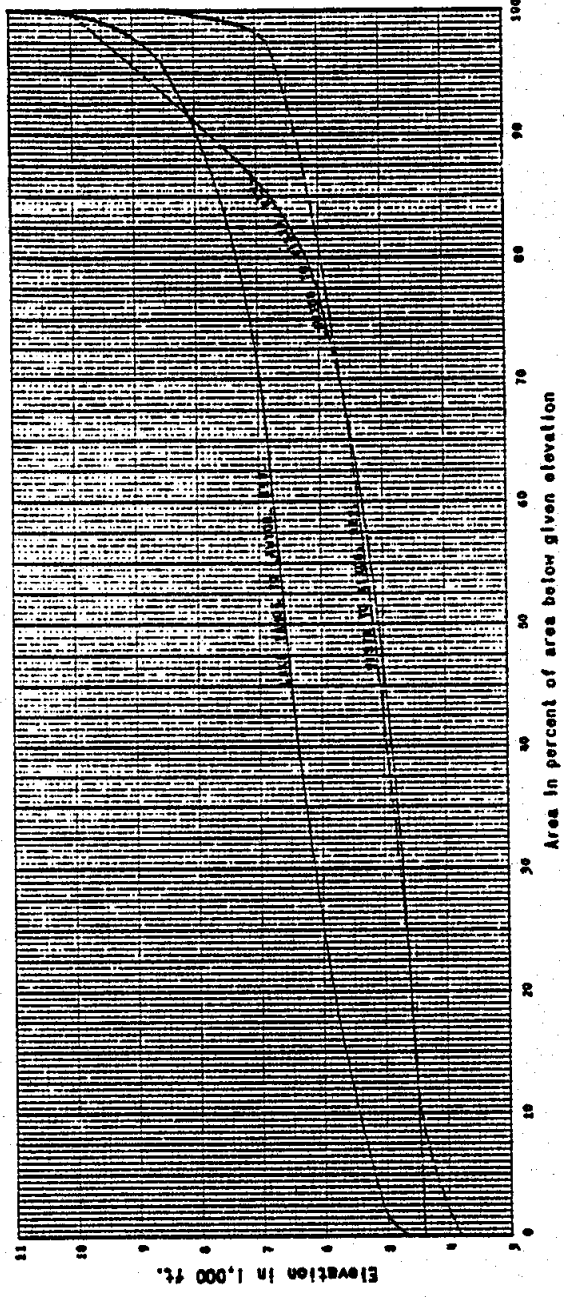
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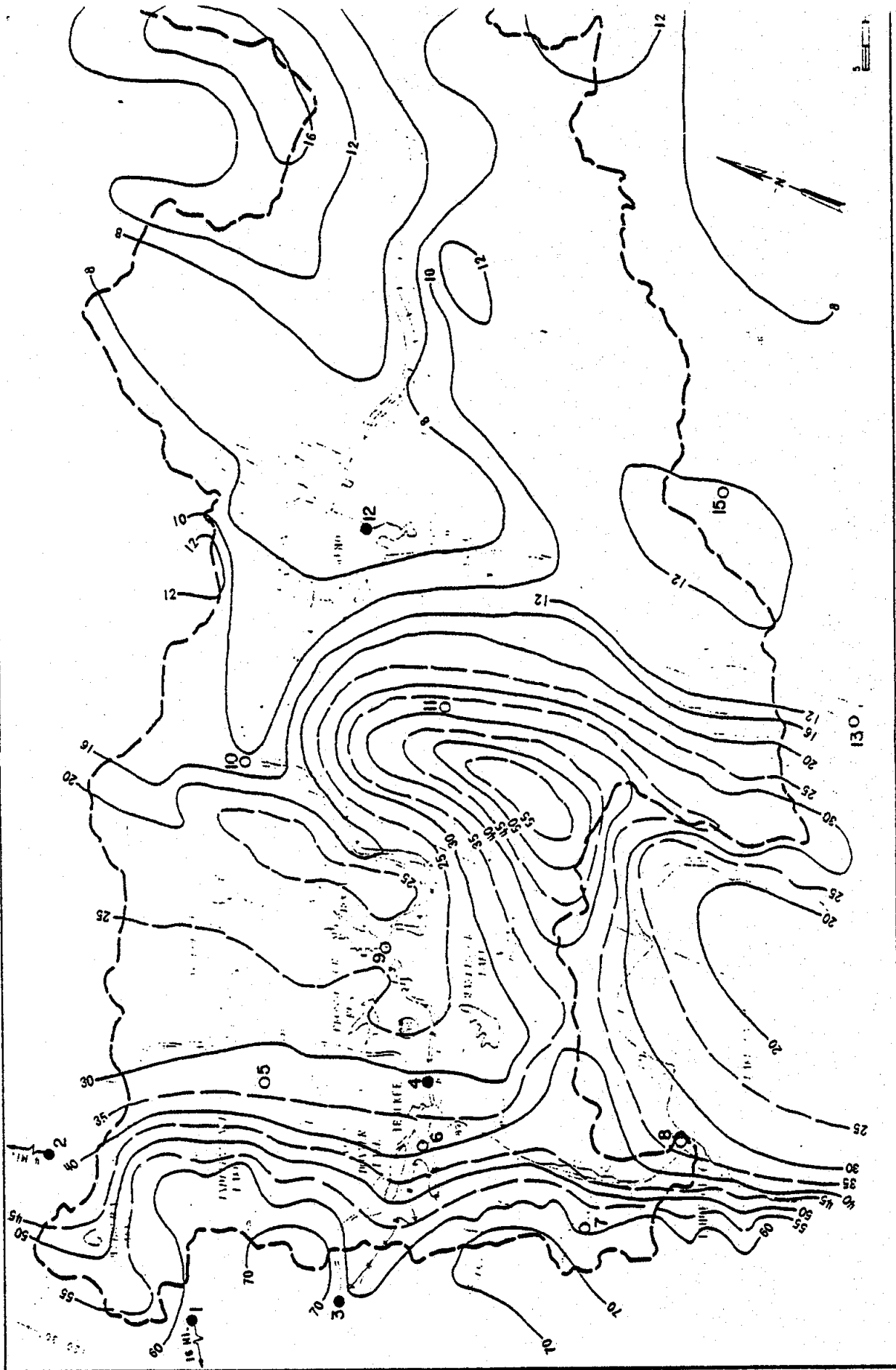
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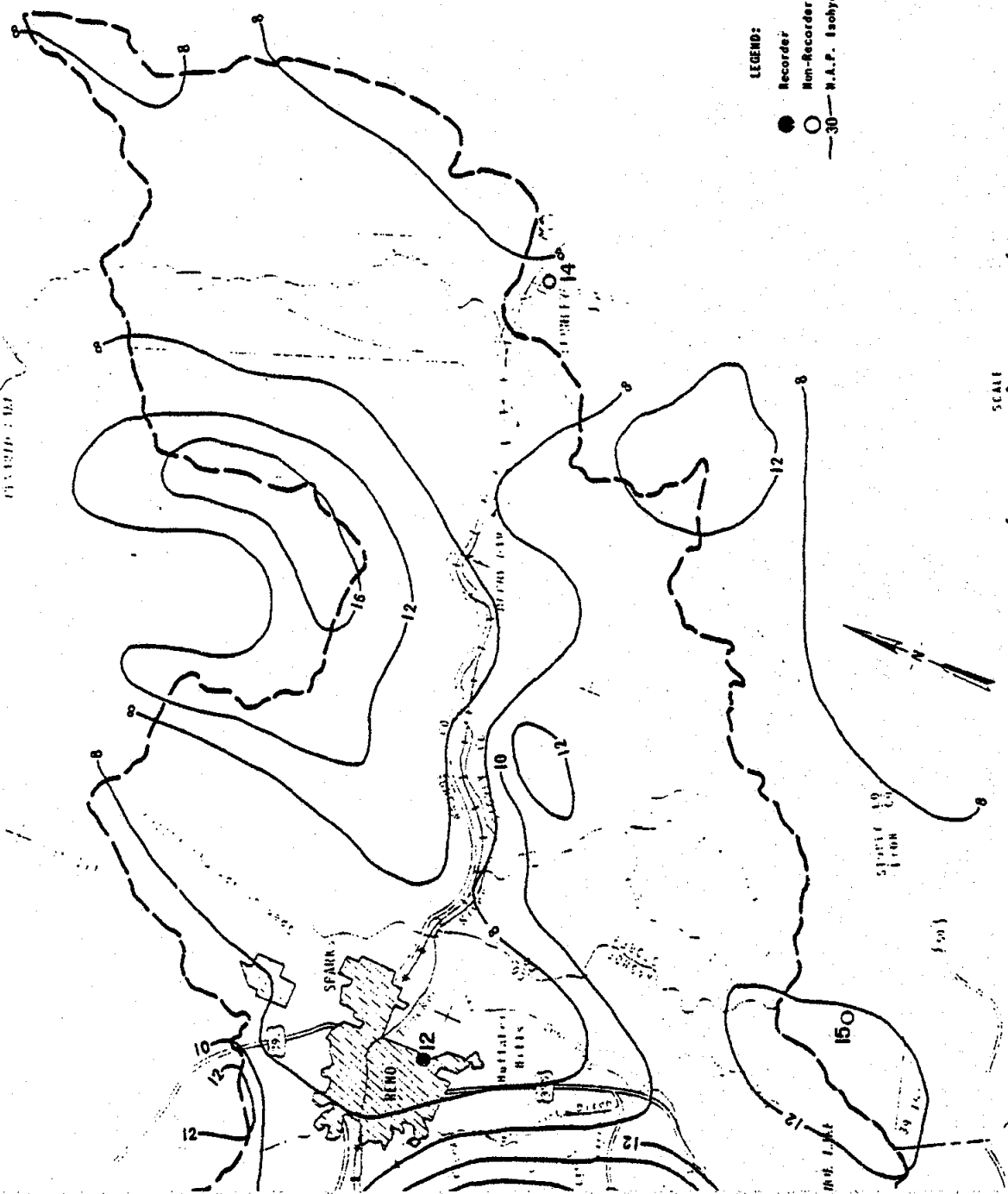
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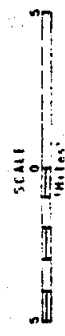
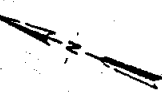
**PRECIPITATION STATIONS**

NUMBER	STATION	N.A.P. (IN.)	YEARS OF RECORD
1	Blue Canyon AP	65.0	39
2	Sierraville R.S.	27.0	96
3	Soda Springs I.S.	61.4	19
4	Truckee R.S.	32.8	94
5	Sagehen	32.1E	25
6	Danner Memorial St. Park	39.2	25
7	Squaw Valley Lodge	59.0E	19
8	Tahoe City	38.1	69
9	Boca	29.4	69
10	Verdi	44.0E	4
11	Mt. Rose Highway Station	37.0E	4
12	Bona HUS AP	7.2	109
13	Carson City	11.5	82
14	Fernley	8.7E	20
15	Virginia City	12.0E	30

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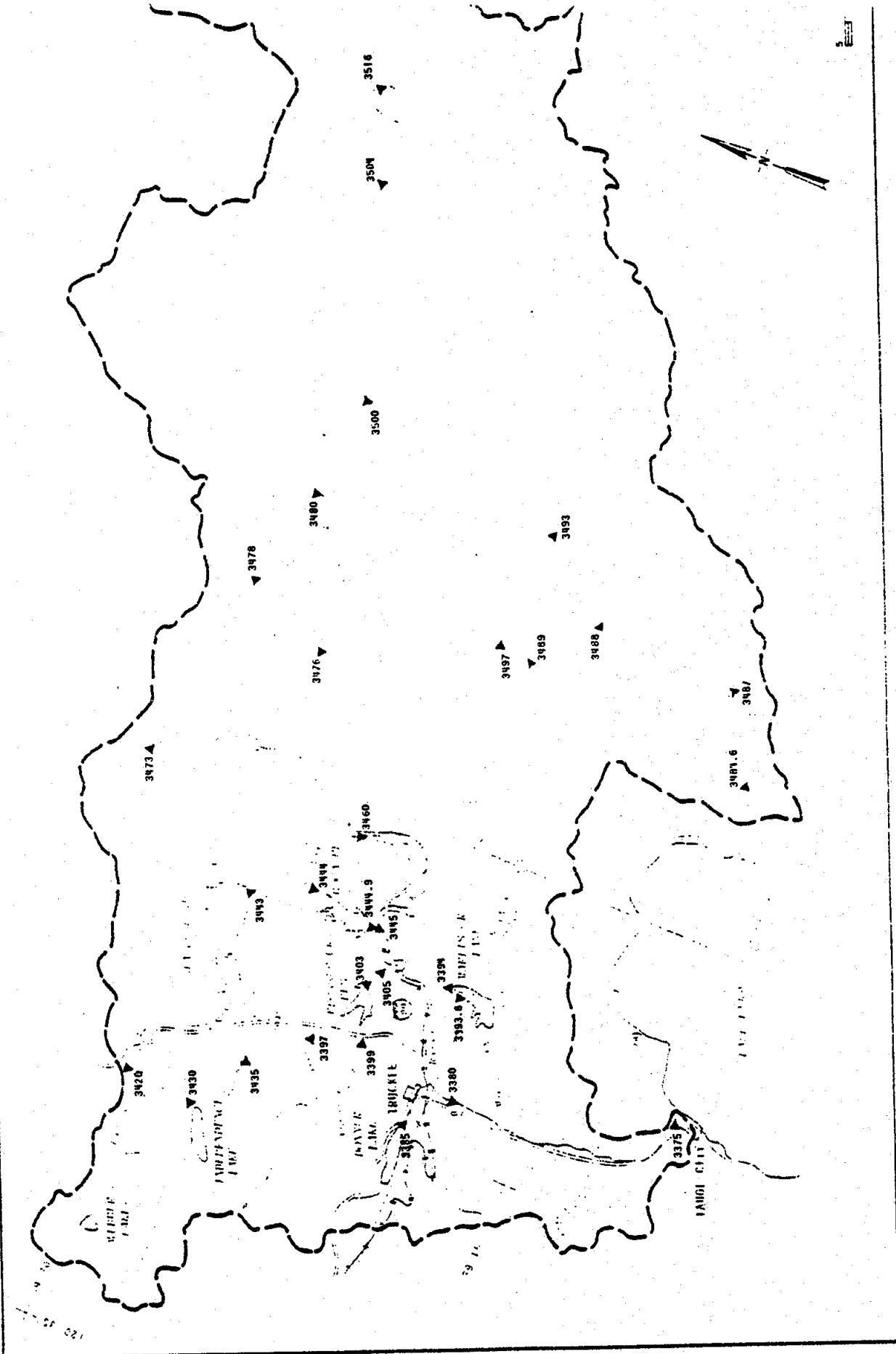
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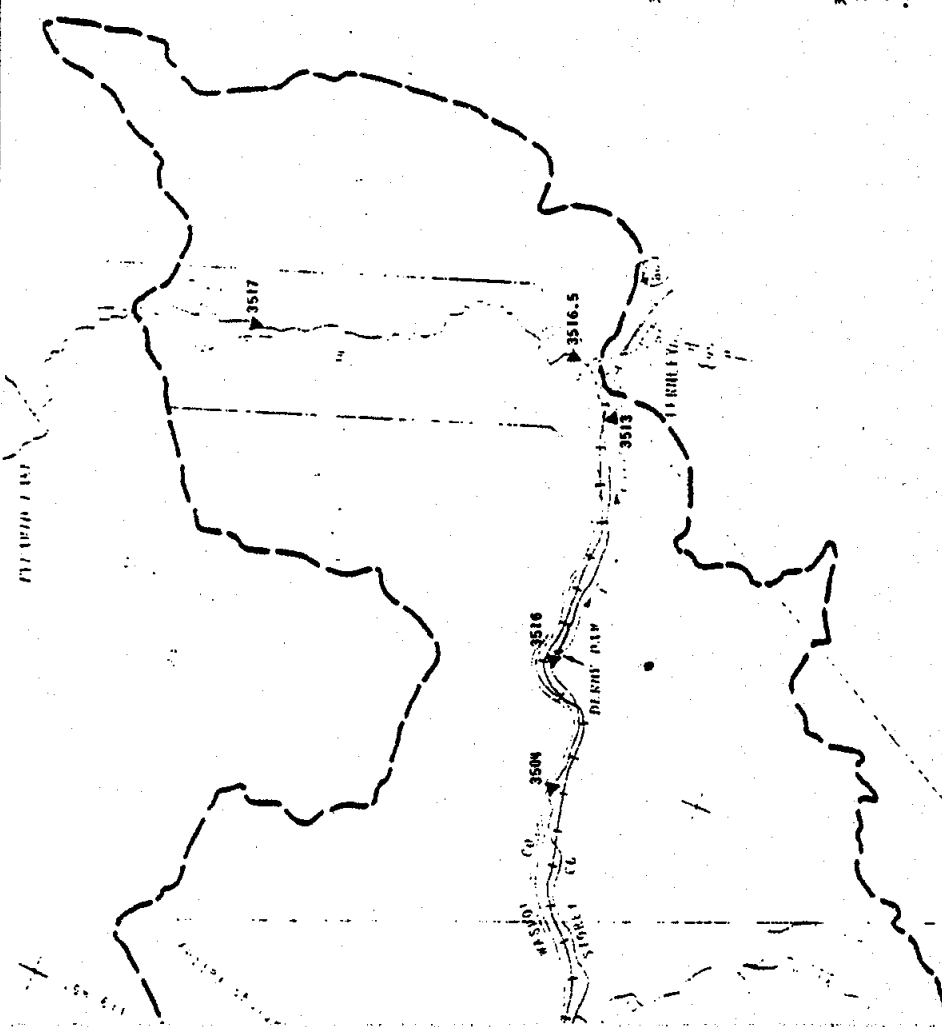
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### STREAM GAGING STATIONS

USGS NO.	NAME OF STATION	DRAINAGE AREA (Sq. Mi.)	ELEVATION GAGE (Fe.)	PERIOD OF RECORD (Water Years)	
				FROM	TO
3375	Truckee River at Tahoe City	506	6,216.75	1896	1901
3380	Truckee River near Truckee	552	6,660	1913	Present
3385	Donner Creek at Donner Lake near Truckee	18.6	5,930	1910	Present
3393B	Mastis Creek Lake near Truckee	40.0	5,740.00	1972	Present
3394	Martis Creek near Truckee	40.0	5,730	1959	Present
3397	Prosser Creek near Hobart Mills	27.4	5,840	1959	Present
3399	Alder Creek near Truckee	7.36	5,800	1959	1973
3403	Prosser Creek Reservoir near Truckee	50.5	--	1963	Present
3405	Prosser Creek near Truckee	59.2	5,602.31	1943	Present
3420	Little Truckee River near Hobart Mills	36.8	6,290	1947	1972
3430	Independence Creek near Truckee	7.63	6,940	1969	Present
3435	Segehon Creek near Truckee	10.0	6,320	1954	Present
3443	Stamped Reservoir near Boca Reservoir near Boca	136	--	1970	Present
3444	Little Truckee River above Boca Reservoir near Boca	146	6,618.67	1940	Present
3449	Boca Reservoir near Truckee	172	--	1939	Present
3485	Little Truckee River below Boca Dam near Truckee	172	5,500	1940	Present
3460	Truckee River at Ford	932	5,153.21	1900	Present
3473	Dog Creek near Verdi	16.2	5,660	1957	1961
3476	Hunter Creek near Reno	11.5	9,070	1962	1978
3478	Posvine Creek near Reno	2.34	4,900	1963	1974
3480	Truckee River at Reno	1,067	4,431.97	1907	Present
3484	Franktown Creek near Carson City	3.28	7,360	1975	Present
3487	Washoe Lake near Carson City	93.0	--	1963	Present
3488	Little Washoe Lake near Steamboat	65.8	--	1963	Present
3489	Gallens Creek near Steamboat	8.5	5,592	1962	Present
3493	Steamboat Creek at Steamboat	123	4,600	1962	Present
3497	Whites Creek near Steamboat	0.02	5,955	1962	1966
3500	Truckee River near Vista	1,429	4,268.59	1900	Present
3504	Truckee River below Tracy	1,590	4,238.15	1973	Present
3516	Truckee River below Derby Dam	1,670	4,200	1909	Present
3516S	Truckee River at Wadsworth	1,719	4,037.90	1946	Present
3517	Truckee River near Wilson	1,815	3,940	1956	Present
3513	Truckee Canal near Wadsworth	--	4,200	1967	Present

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- Drainage Boundary.
- ▲ Stream Gaging Station - Refer to Table 5. for List of Stations.

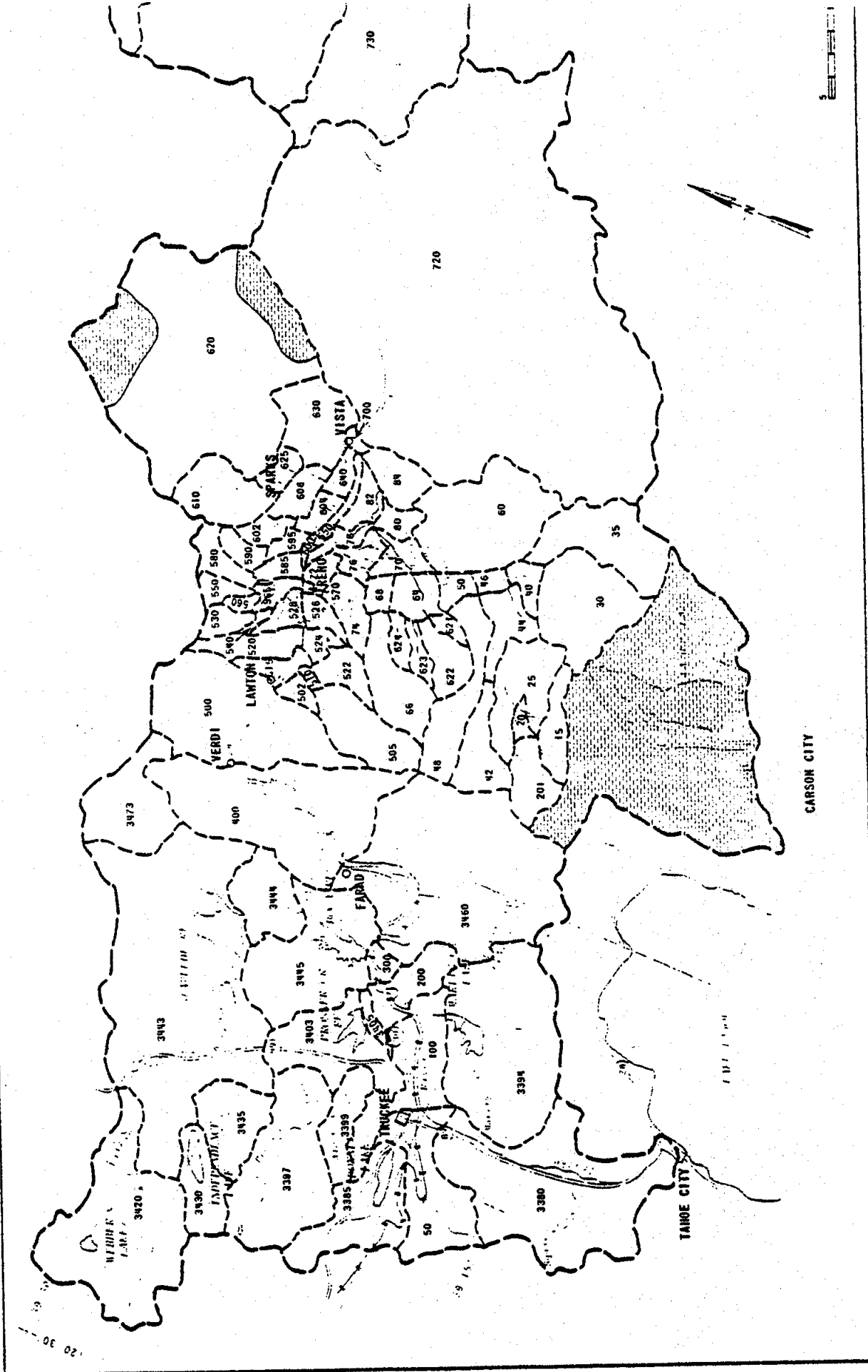
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**STREAM GAGE  
LOCATION MAP**



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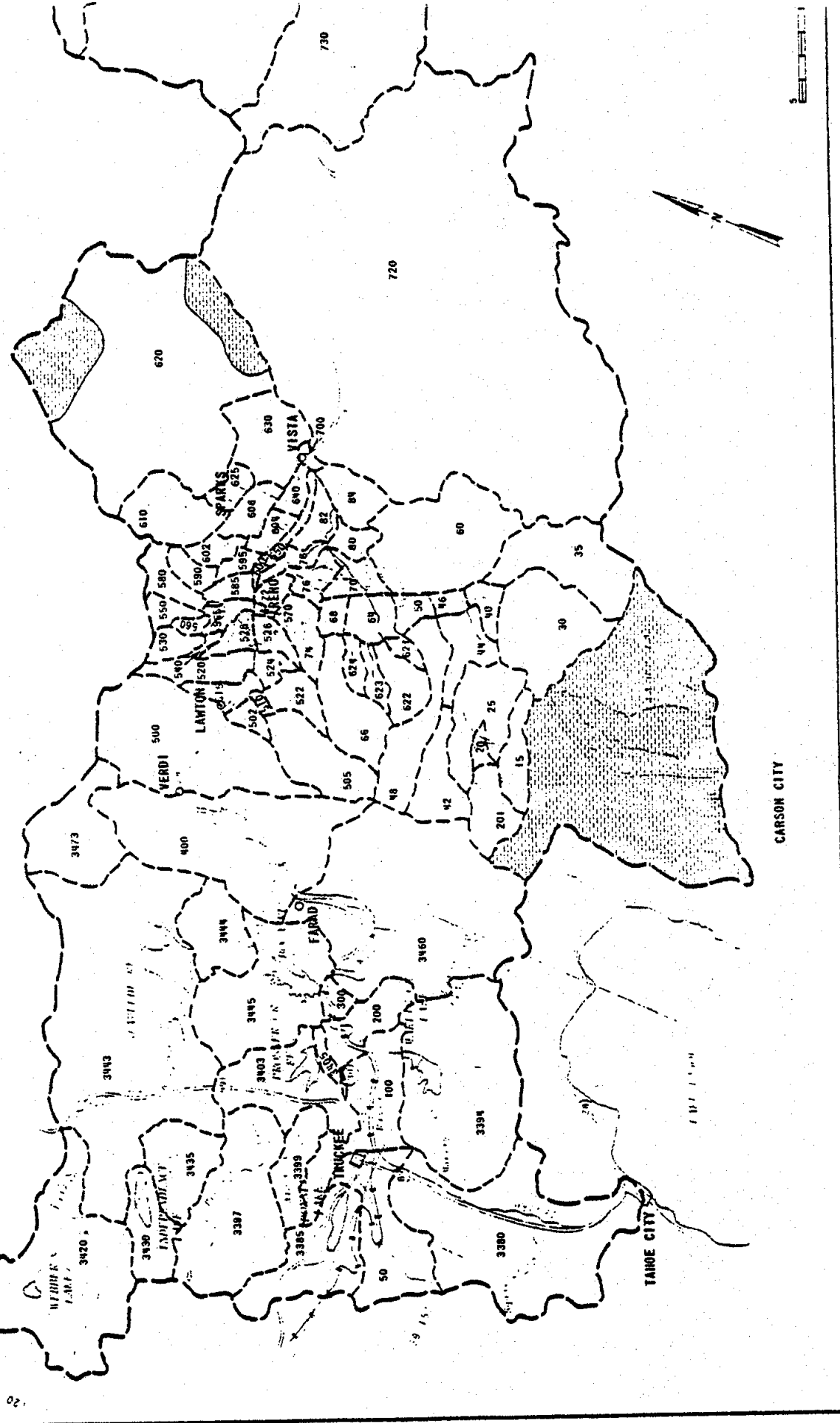
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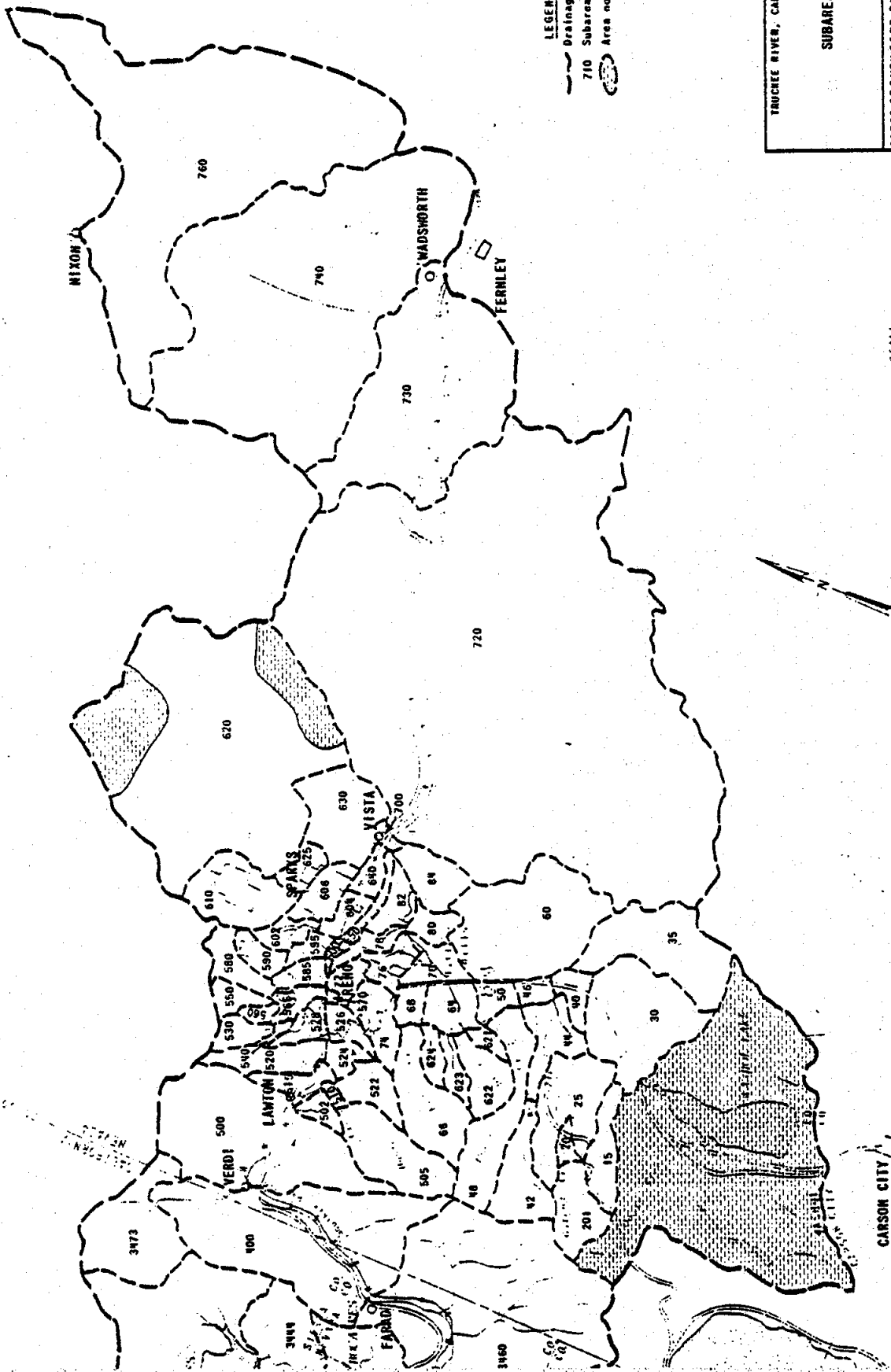
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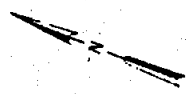
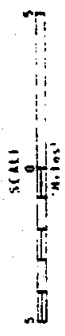




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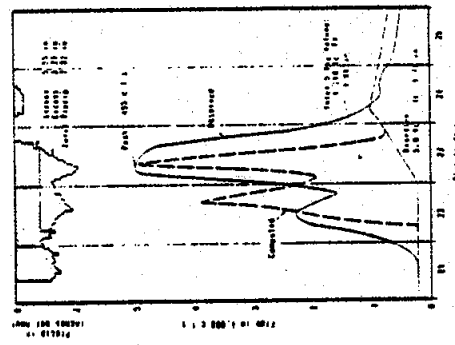
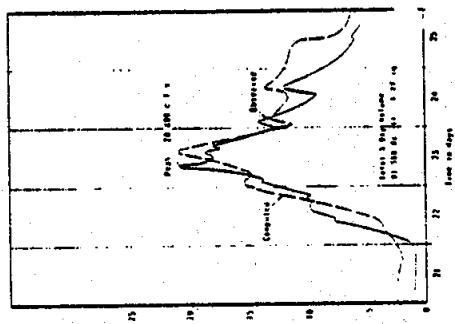
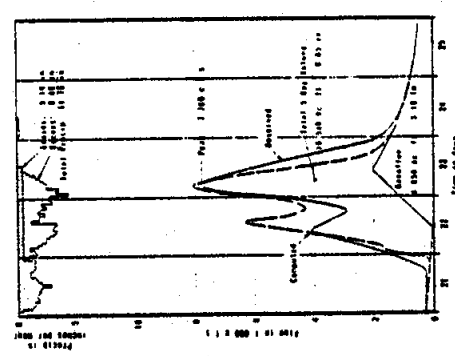
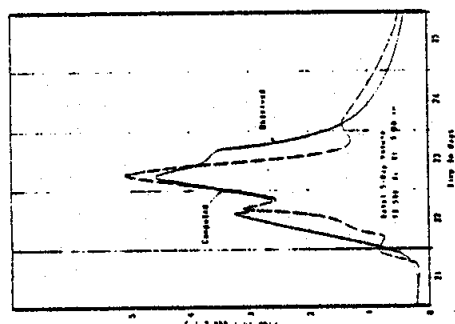
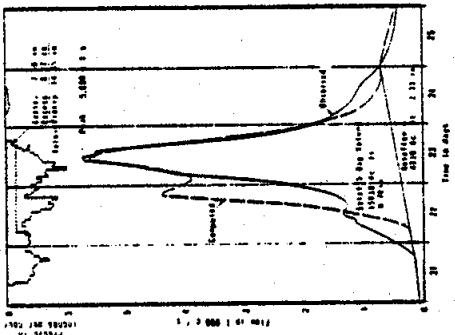
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 SUBAREA MAP  
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CHART 7



CARSON CITY



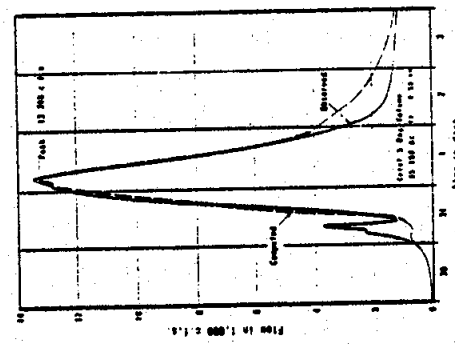
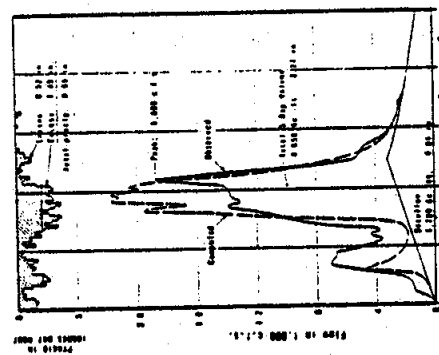
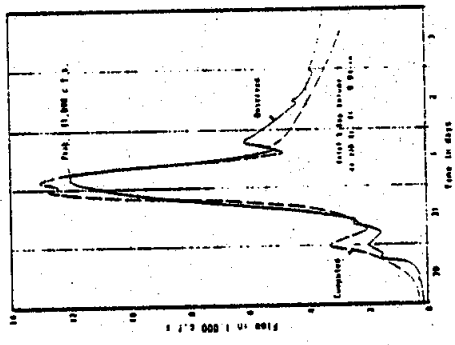
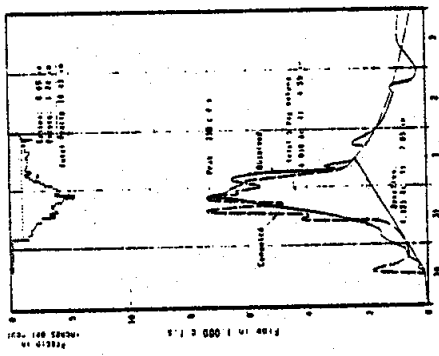
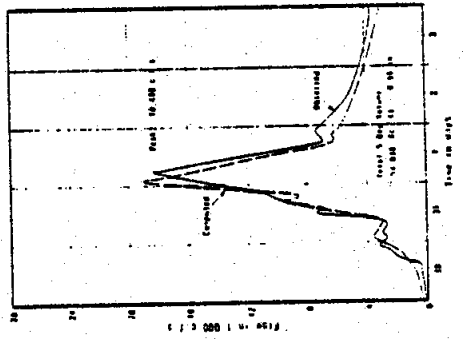
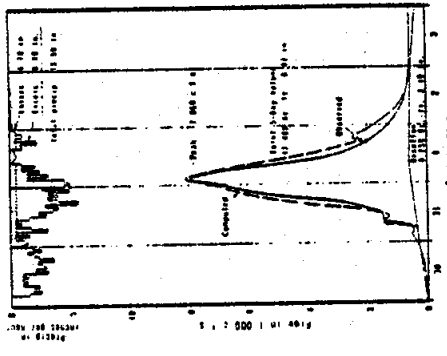


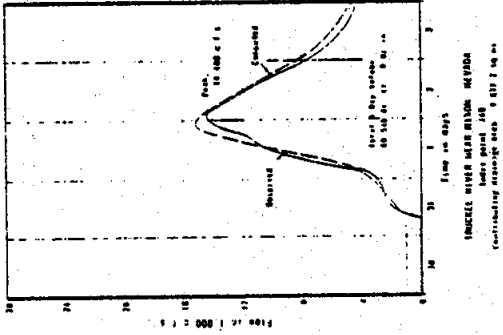
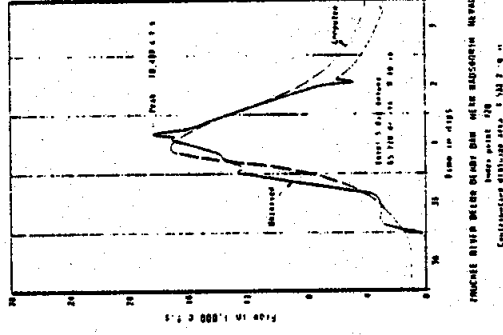
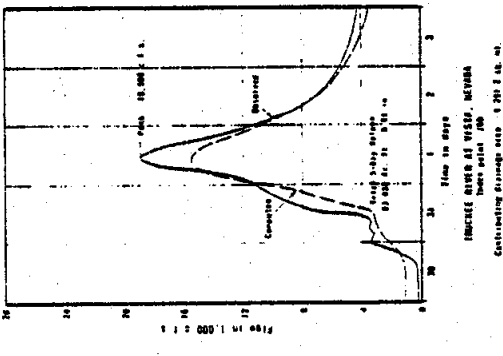
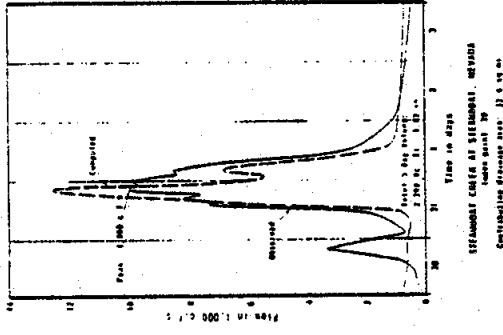
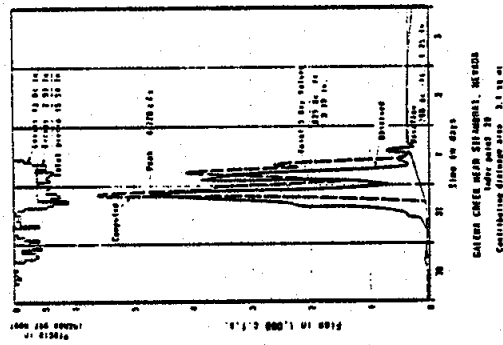
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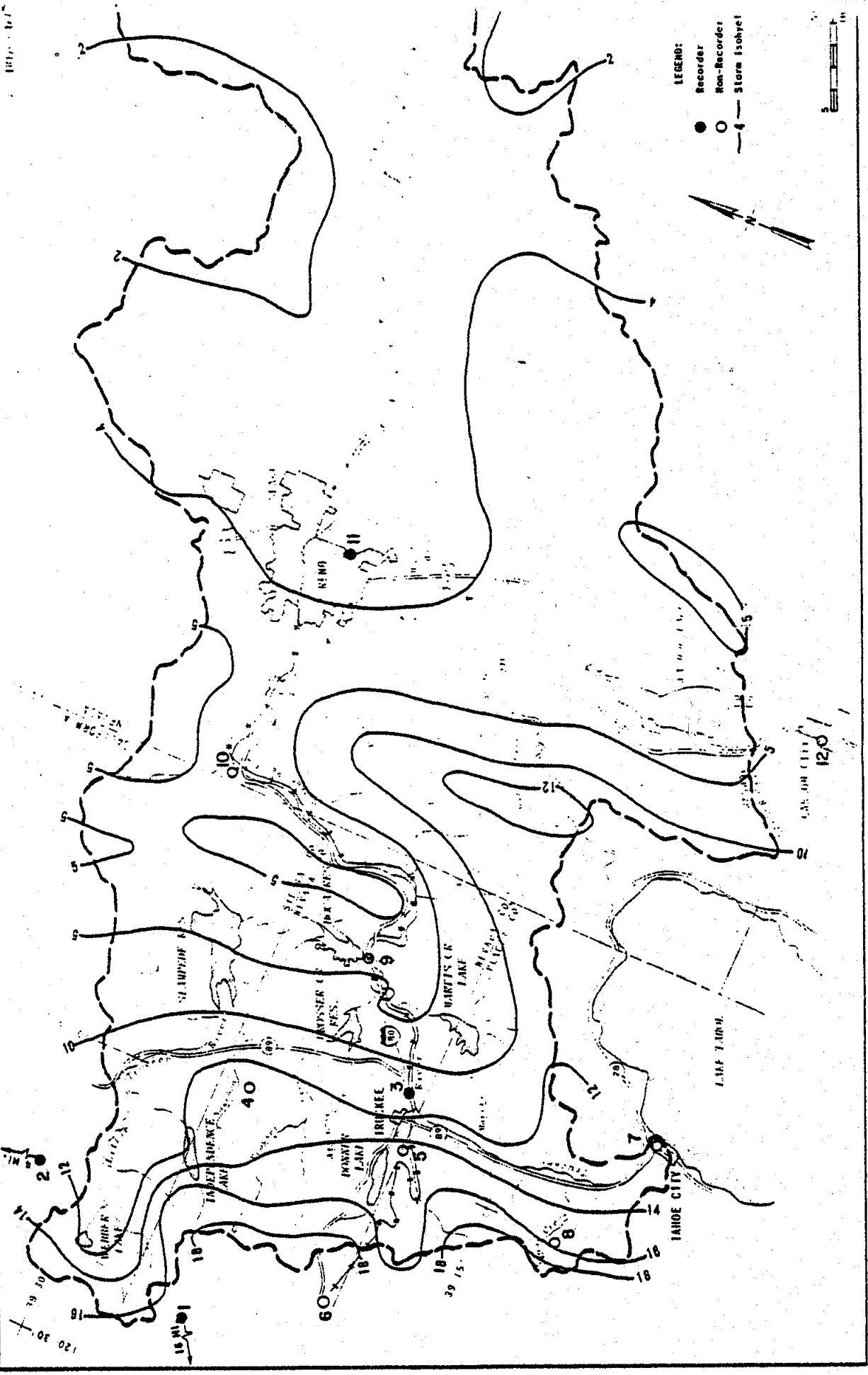
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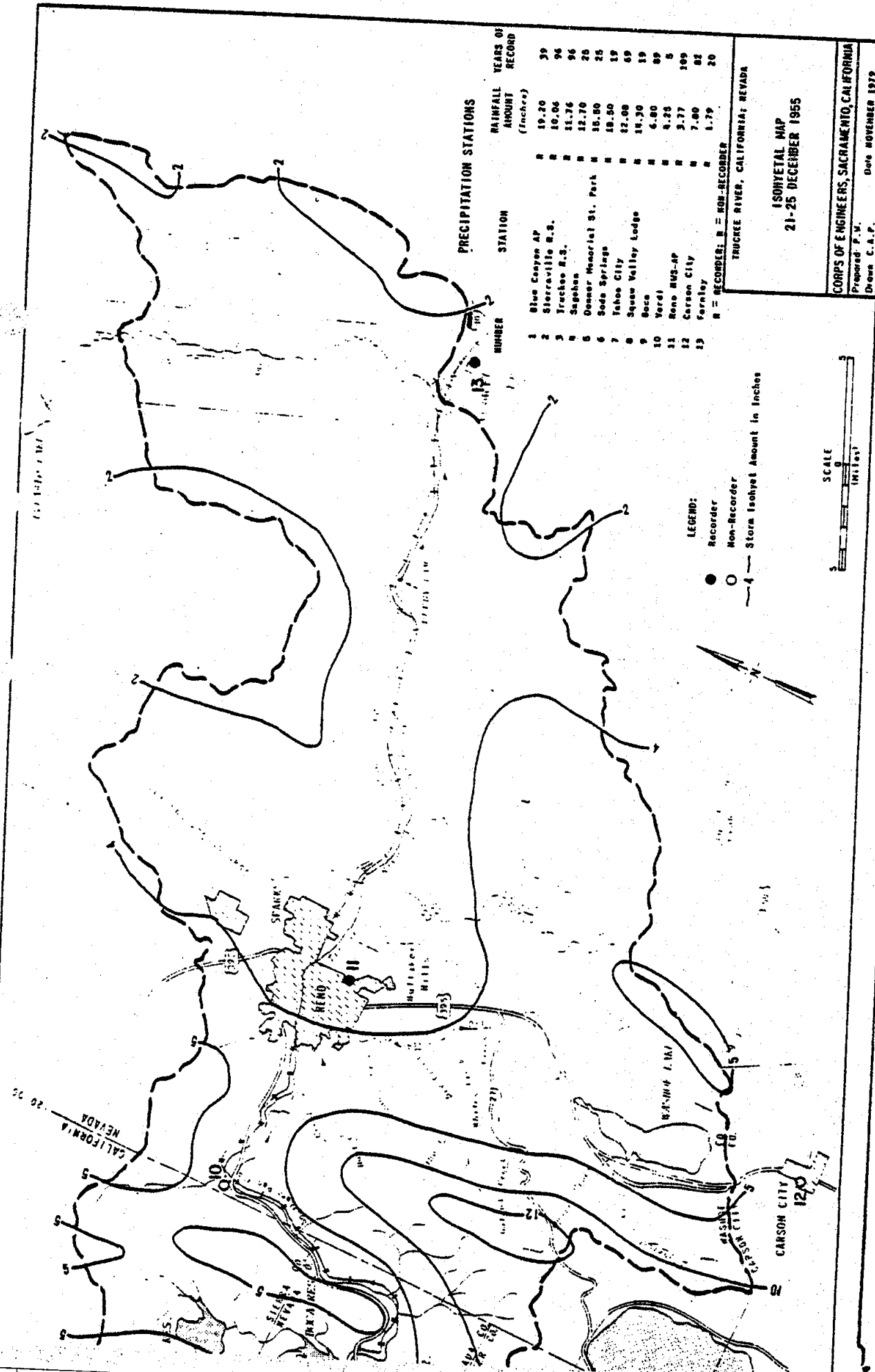
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 ○ Non-Recorder  
 - - Storm Isobars

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**PRECIPITATION STATIONS**

NUMBER	STATION	RAINFALL AMOUNT (Inches)	YEARS OF RECORD
1	Blue Canyon AP	19.20	39
2	Sierreville R.S.	16.06	96
3	Truckee R.S.	11.76	96
4	Sagehen	12.70	26
5	Danner Memorial St. Park	16.80	25
6	Soda Springs	18.50	19
7	Tahoe City	12.08	69
8	Squaw Valley Lodge	14.30	19
9	Boca	6.80	89
10	Vereil	4.25	6
11	Reno BUS-AP	3.77	109
12	Carson City	7.80	82
13	Farnley	1.79	20

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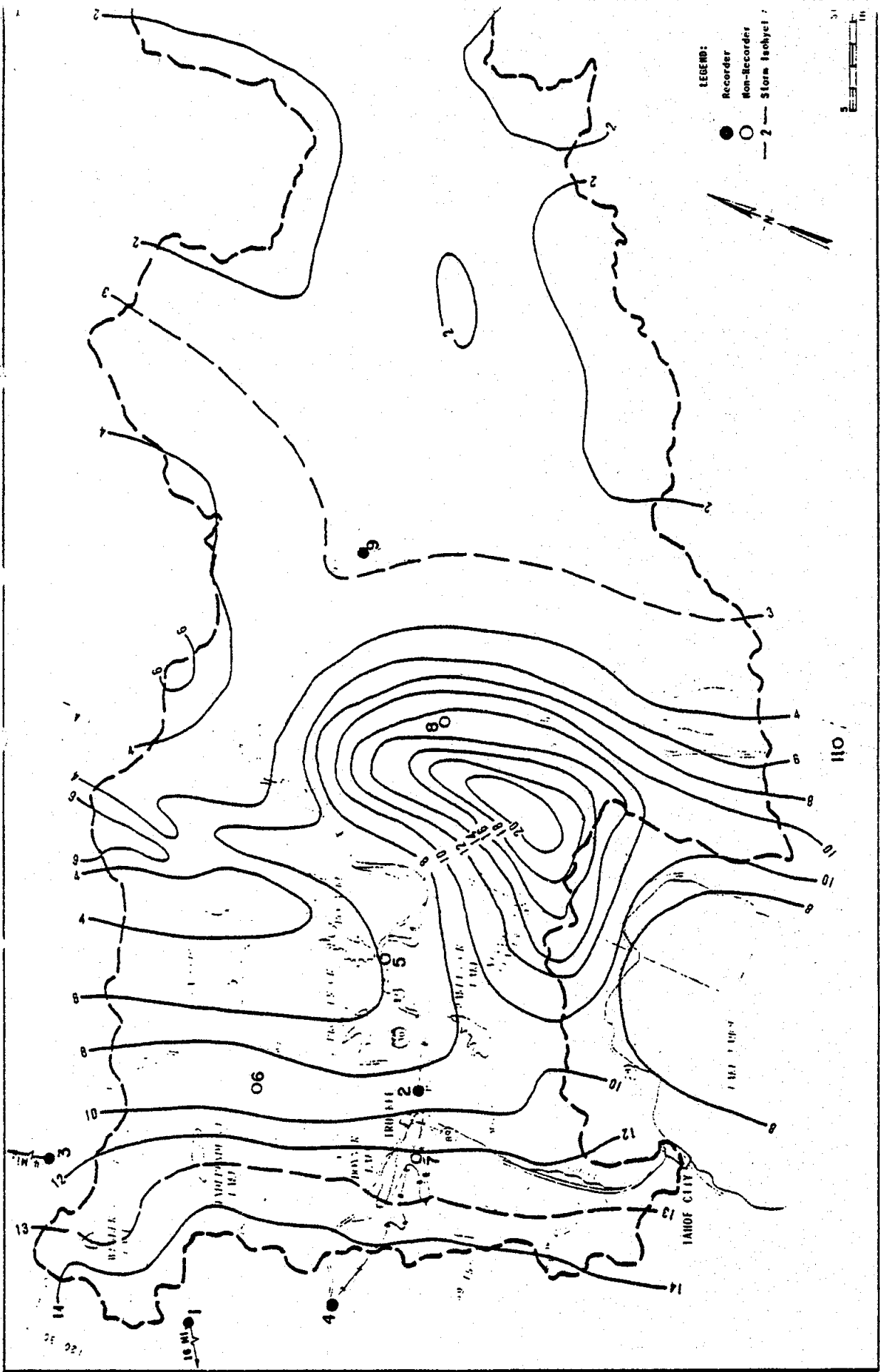
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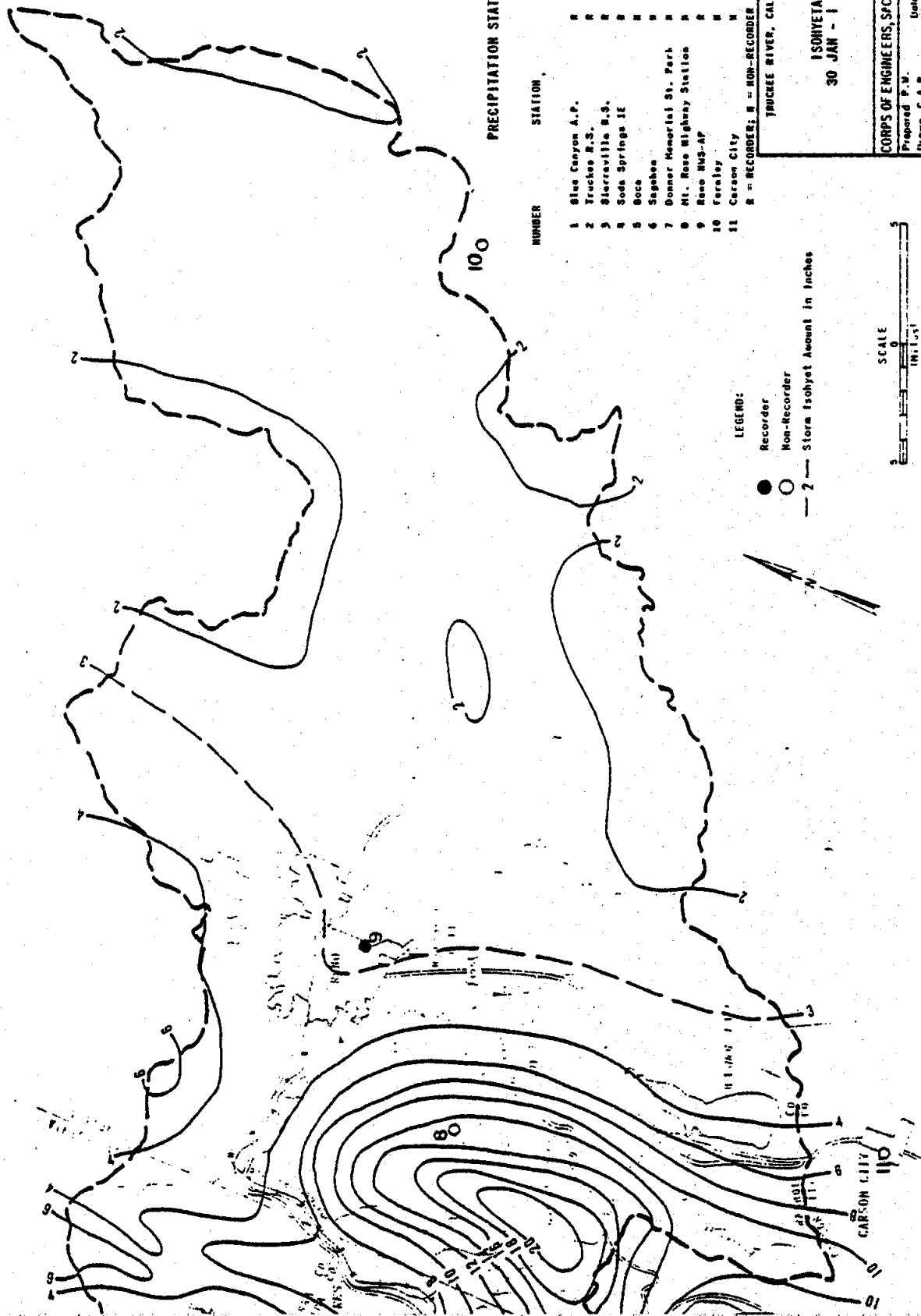
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PRECIPITATION STATIONS

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2	Truckee R.S.	8.68	96
3	Stearnsville R.S.	8.73	96
4	Soda Springs LE	14.00	19
5	Boca	6.22	89
6	Sagehen	9.25	25
7	Donner Memorial St. Park	12.05	25
8	Mt. Rose Highway Station	13.88	4
9	Reno HUS-AP	7.59	109
10	Ferrelay	1.01	20
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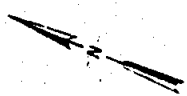
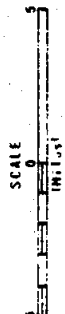
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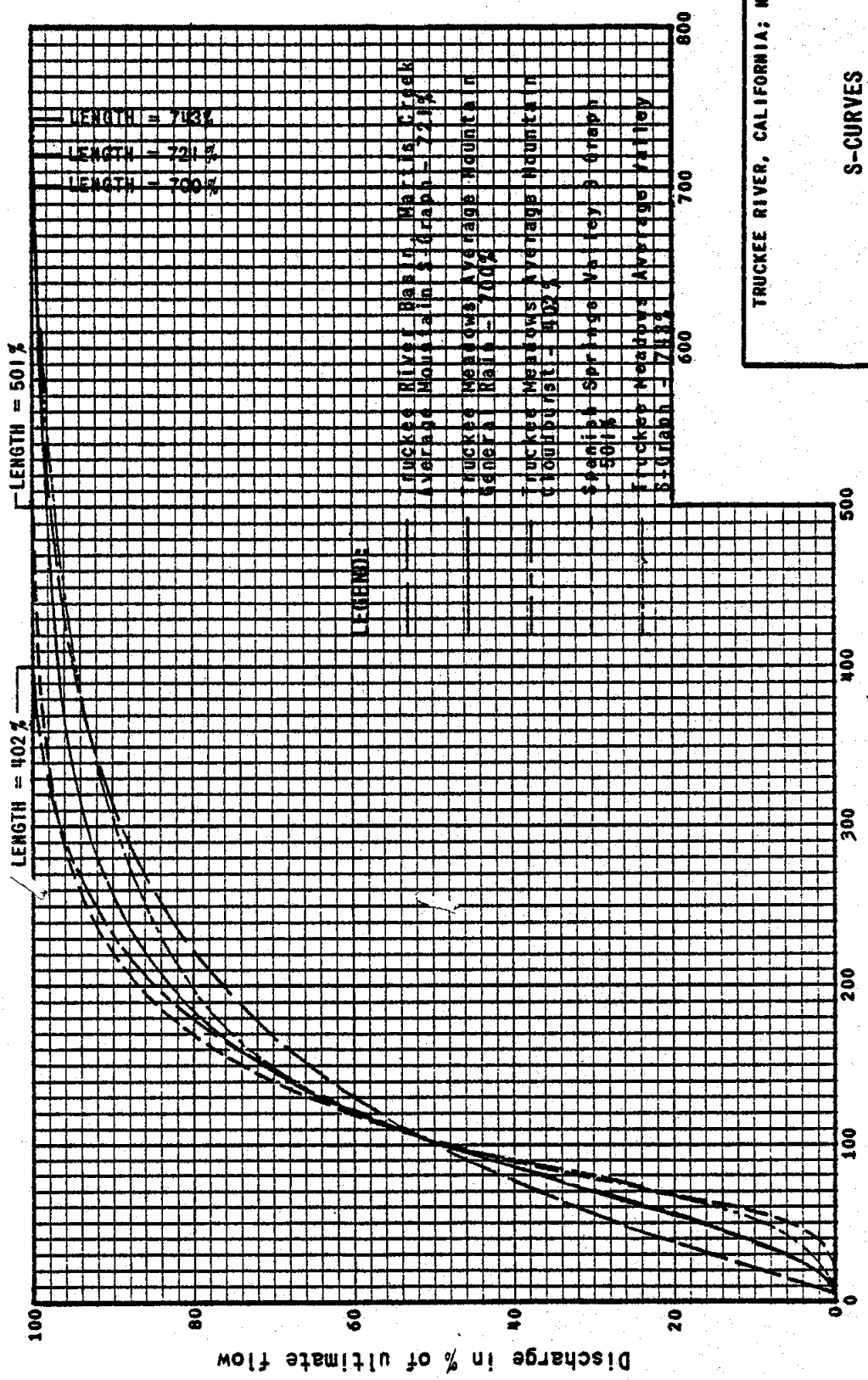
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CHART 11

LEGEND:

- Recorder
- Non-Recorder
- - - Storm isohyetal amount in inches





TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

S-CURVES

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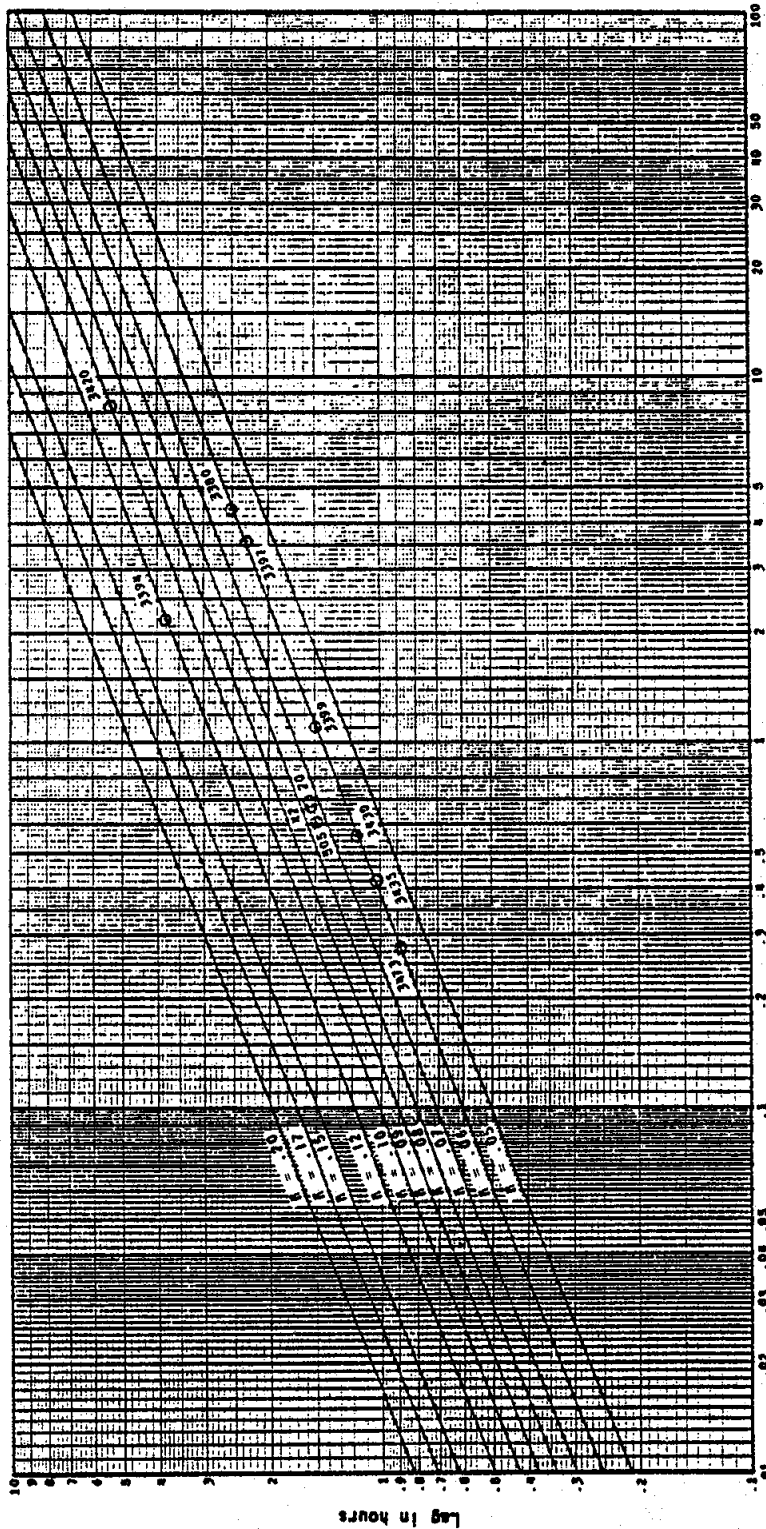
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USGS GAGING

SUBAREAS

- 20 Galena Creek near
- 42 Whitea Creek near
- 505 Manter Creek near
- 3380 Truckee River near
- 3394 Martis Creek near
- 3397 Prosser Creek near
- 3399 Alder Creek near
- 3420 Little Truckee R.
- 3430 Independence Creek
- 3435 Sagehen Creek near
- 3473 Dog Creek near Ver.



$$\frac{LLca}{50.5}$$

TERMINOLOGY

- L - Length of longest watercourse.
- Lca - Length along longest watercourse, measured upstream to point opposite center of area.
- S - Overall slope of longest watercourse between headwater and collection point.
- Lag - Elapsed time from beginning of unit precipitation to instant that summation hydrograph reaches 50% of ultimate discharge.
- B - Basin factor representing basin shape, drainage pattern, and roughness of the stream beds.

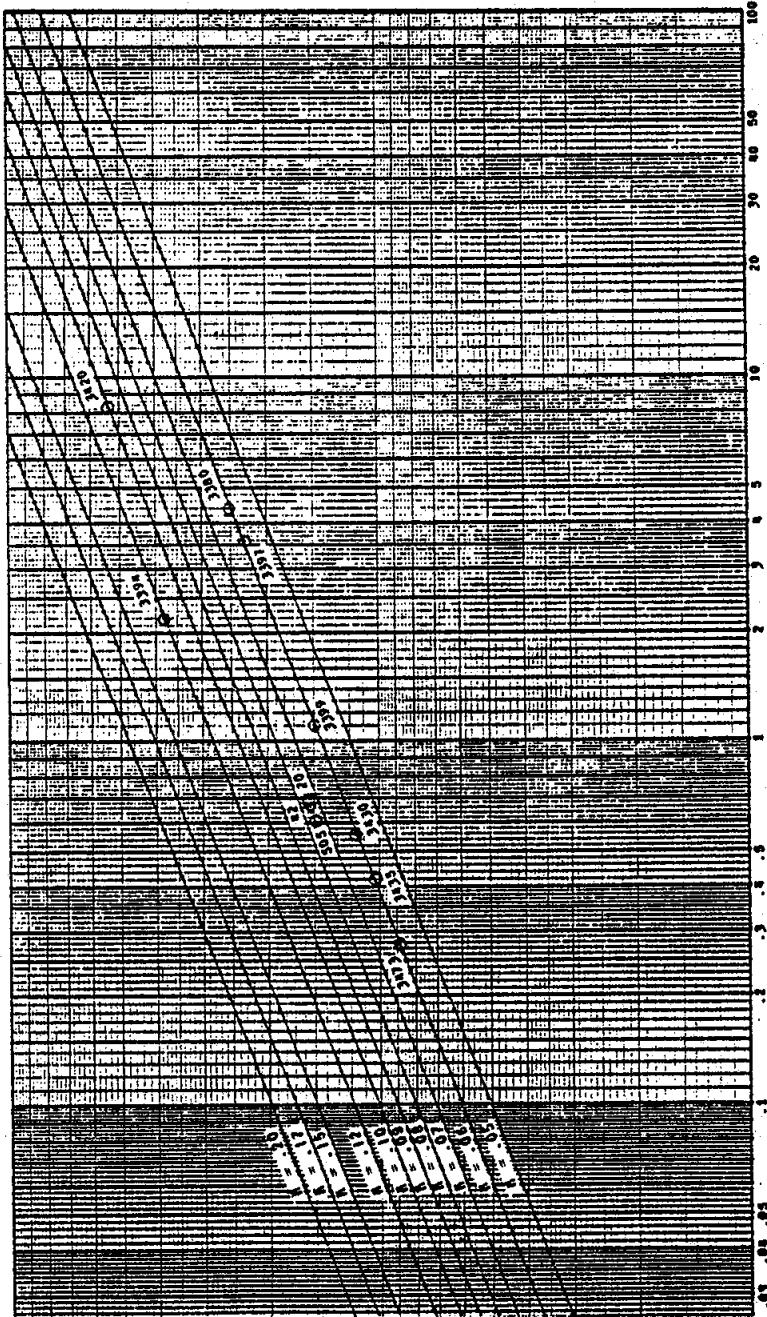
USGS GAGING STATIONS

LOCATION

Gelena Creek near Steamboat, Nev. - USGS-3489  
 Whitts Creek near Steamboat, Nev. - USGS-3497  
 Hunter Creek near Reno, Nev. - USGS-3476  
 Truckee River near Truckee, Cal.  
 Hartie Creek near Truckee, Cal.  
 Prosser Creek near Hobart Mills, Cal.  
 Alder Creek near Truckee, Cal.  
 Little Truckee River near Hobart Mills, Cal.  
 Independence Creek near Truckee, Cal.  
 Sagehen Creek near Truckee, Cal.  
 Dog Creek near Verdi, Nev.

SUBAREAS

20  
 42  
 505  
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$$\frac{L_{ca}}{L} = 0.5$$

TERMINOLOGY

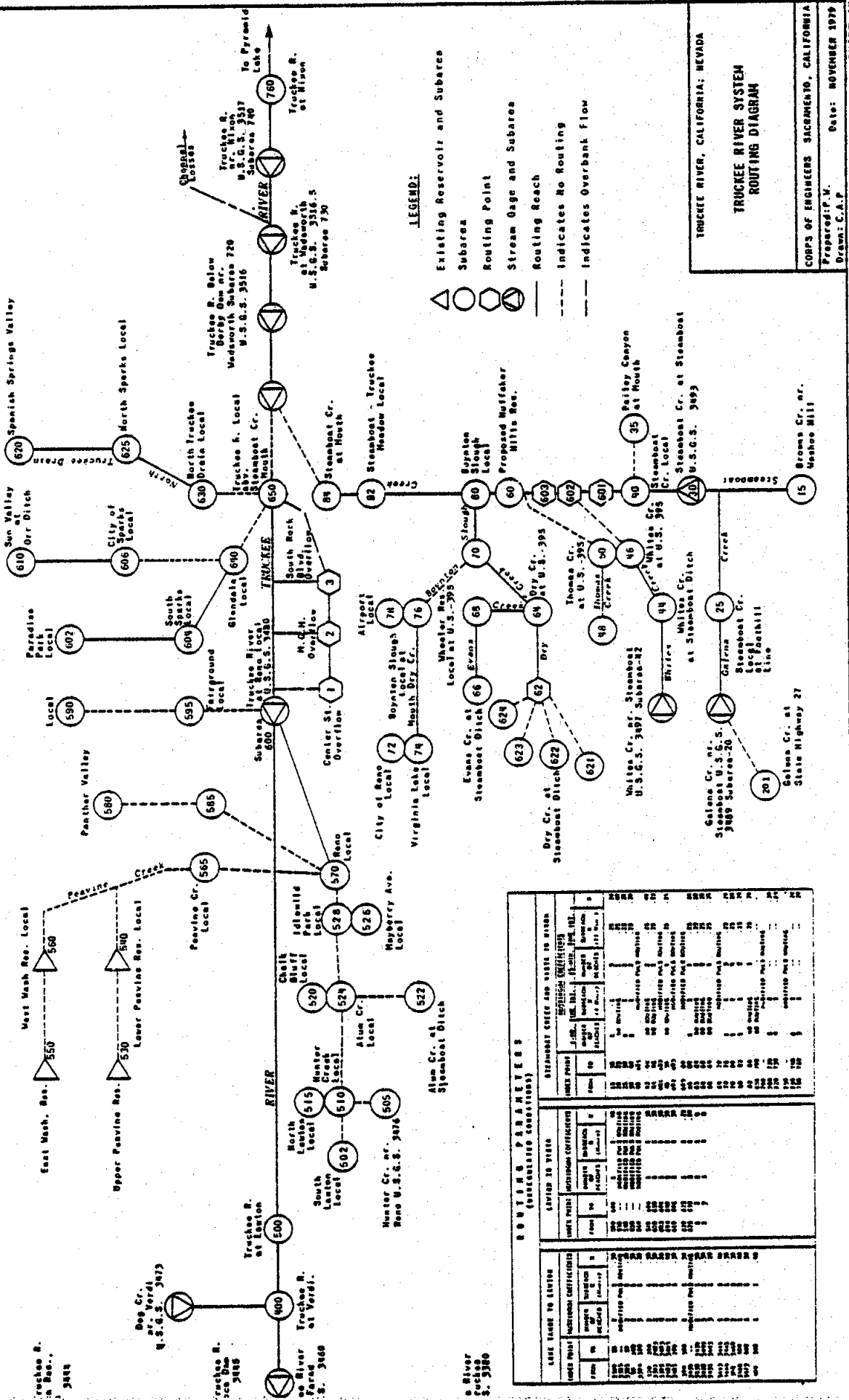
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LAG RELATIONSHIPS

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**LEGEND:**

- △ Existing Reservoir and Subarea
- Subarea
- Routing Point
- Stream Gage and Subarea
- Routing Reach
- Indicates No Routing
- Indicates Overbank Flow

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

**TRUCKEE RIVER SYSTEM ROUTING DIAGRAM**

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CHART 14

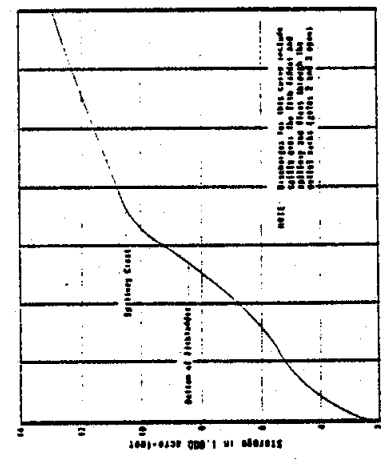
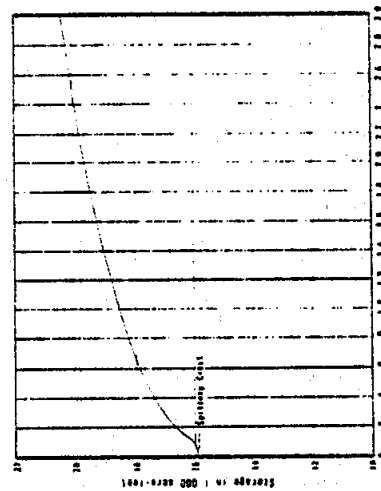
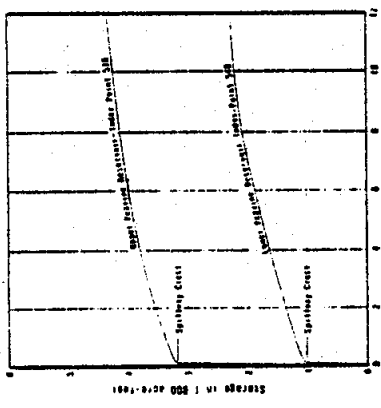
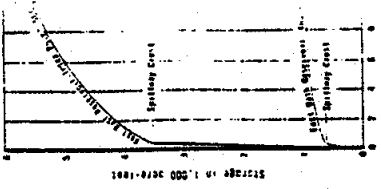
**ROUTING PARAMETERS**

STEADY STATE CHANNEL CHARACTERISTICS

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1	Truckee R. at Verdi	0.5	0.05	10	10	10
2	Truckee R. at Washoe	1.0	0.05	20	20	20
3	Truckee R. at Pyramid Lake	1.5	0.05	30	30	30

UNSTEADY STATE CHANNEL CHARACTERISTICS

REACH NO.	REACH NAME	REACH LENGTH (MILES)	UNSTEADY STATE CHARACTERISTICS			
			WATER DELAY (HOURS)	WATER STORAGE (ACRE FEET)	WATER LOSS (ACRE FEET)	WATER GAIN (ACRE FEET)
1	Truckee R. at Verdi	0.5	0.5	0	0	0
2	Truckee R. at Washoe	1.0	1.0	0	0	0
3	Truckee R. at Pyramid Lake	1.5	1.5	0	0	0

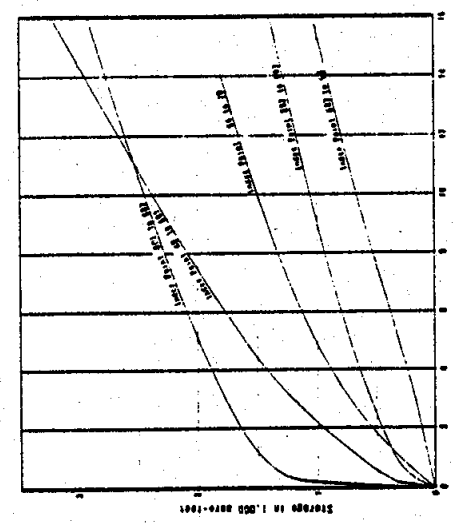
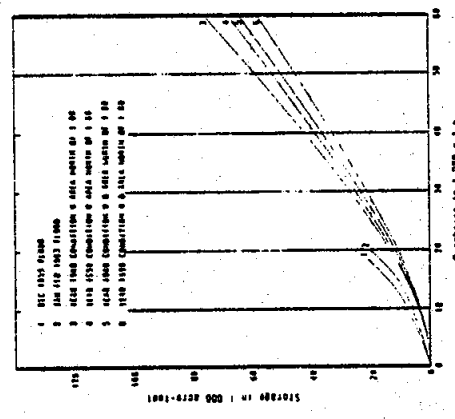
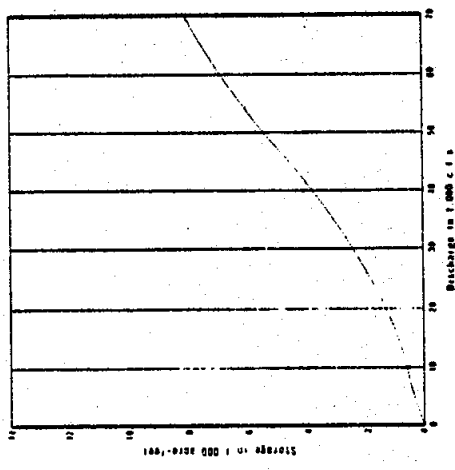


UPPER & LOWER PEAVINE RESERVOIRS  
Springing Curve

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Springing Curve

IMPERMEABLE LAKE  
Springing Curve

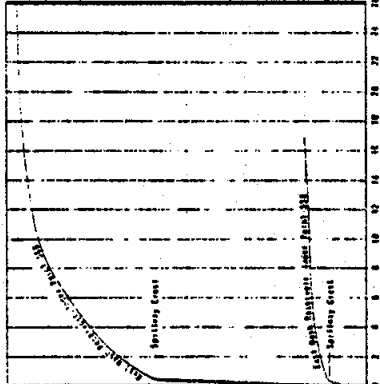
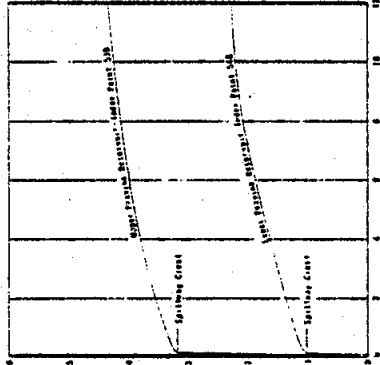
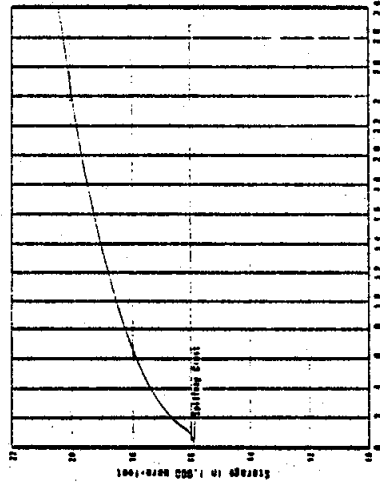
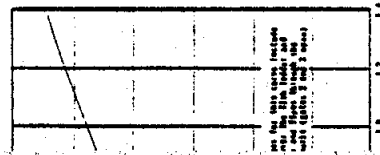
LOWER LAKE  
Springing Curve



TONGUE RIVER AT GRANDFORK  
1000 Feet Dam  
1916 Highway 40 Bridge

TONGUE RIVER AT DELTA  
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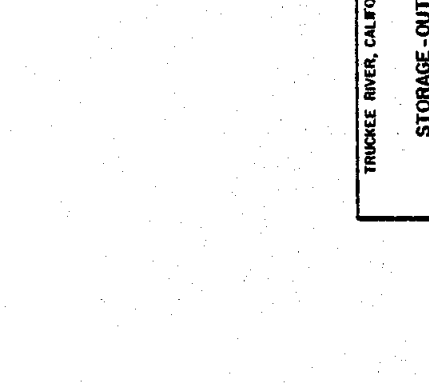
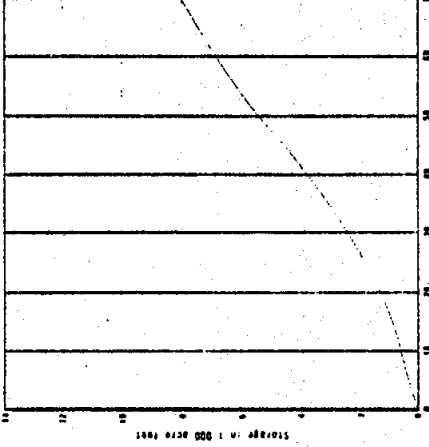
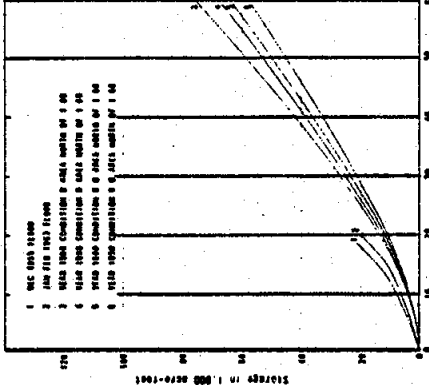
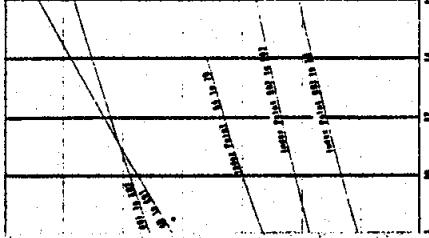


6. Independence Lake  
Index Point 8279  
Independence Creek

Discharge in 1,000 c.f.s.

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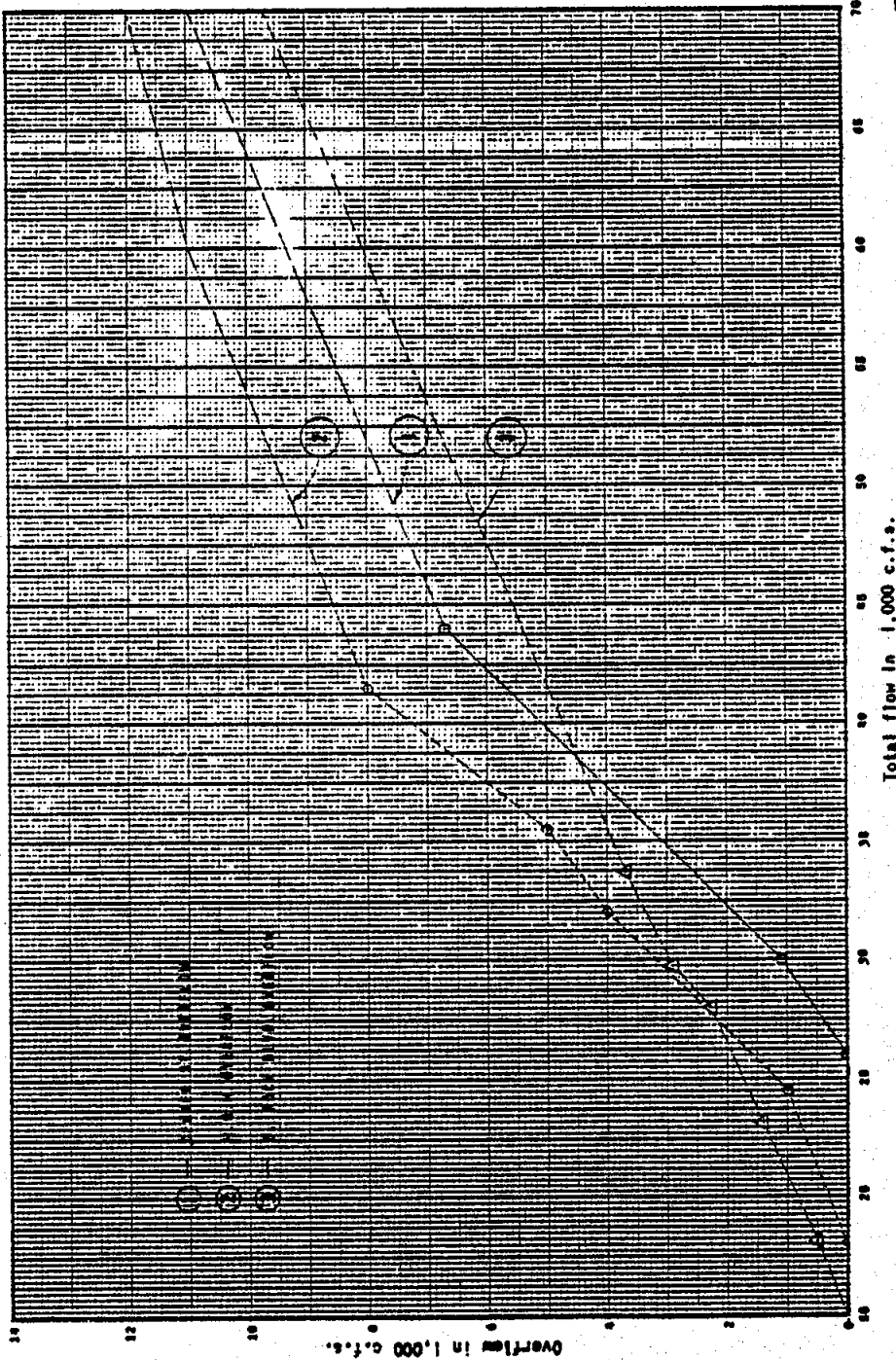
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**STORAGE - OUTFLOW RELATIONSHIPS**

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NOTE:  
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Overflow in 1,000 c.f.s.

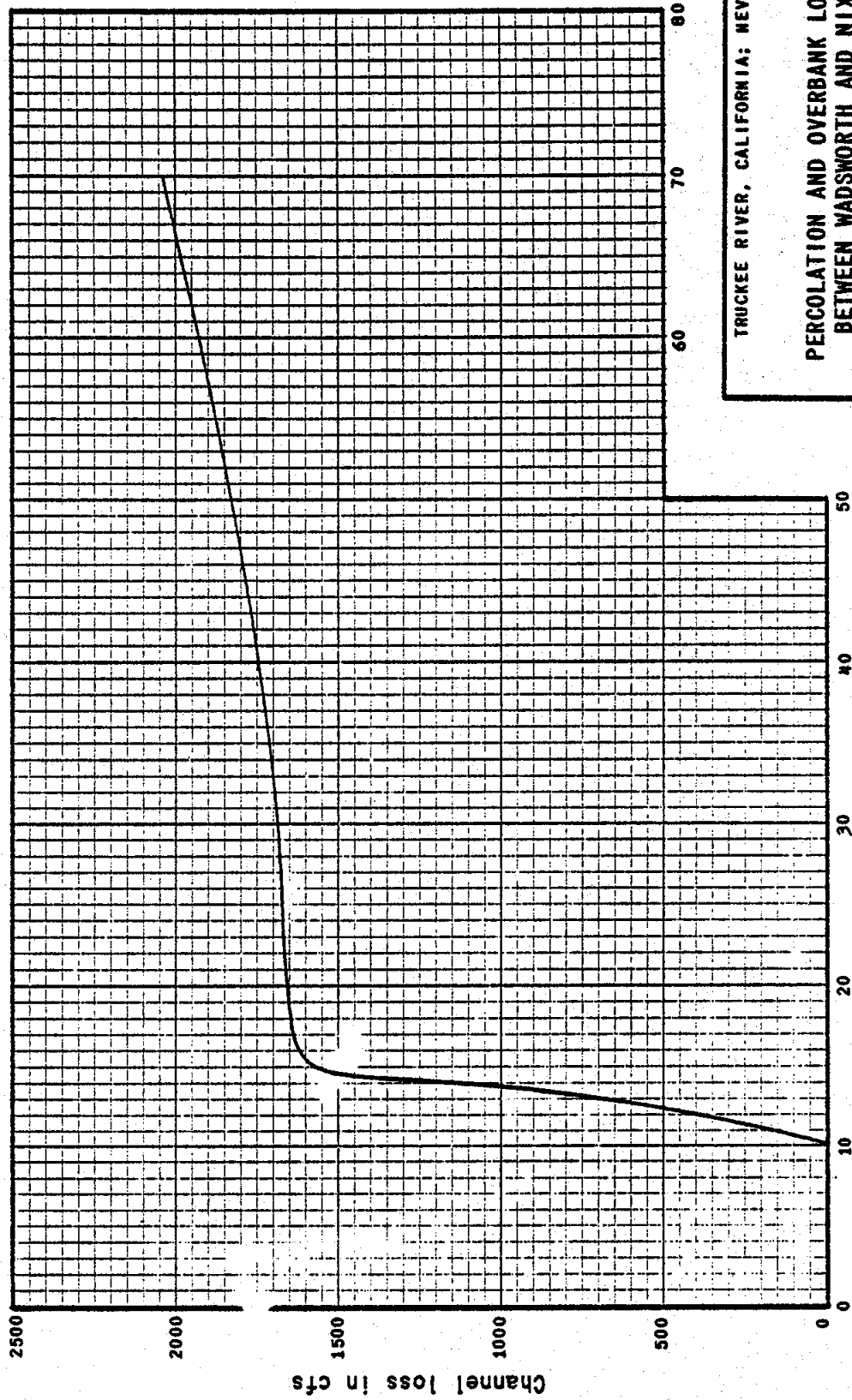
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TOTAL FLOW TO OVERFLOW  
 RELATIONSHIPS

TRUCKEE RIVER AT BENO

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CHART 1C



Flow at Wadsworth, Nev in 1,000 cfs

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PERCOLATION AND OVERBANK LOSSES  
BETWEEN WADSWORTH AND NIXON

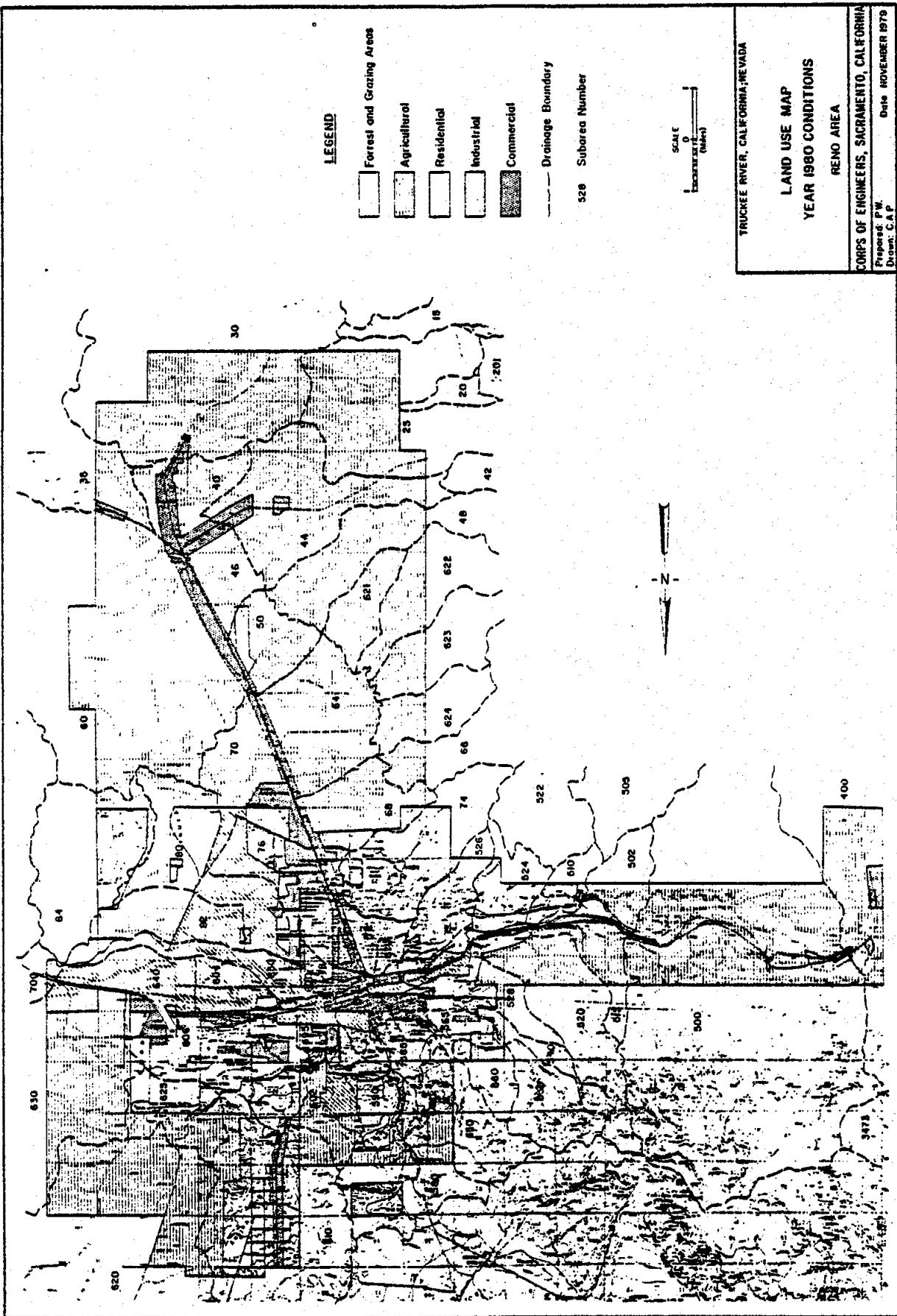
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




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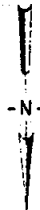
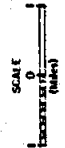


**LEGEND**

-  Forest and Grazing Areas
-  Agricultural
-  Residential
-  Industrial
-  Commercial

--- Drainage Boundary

520 Subarea Number



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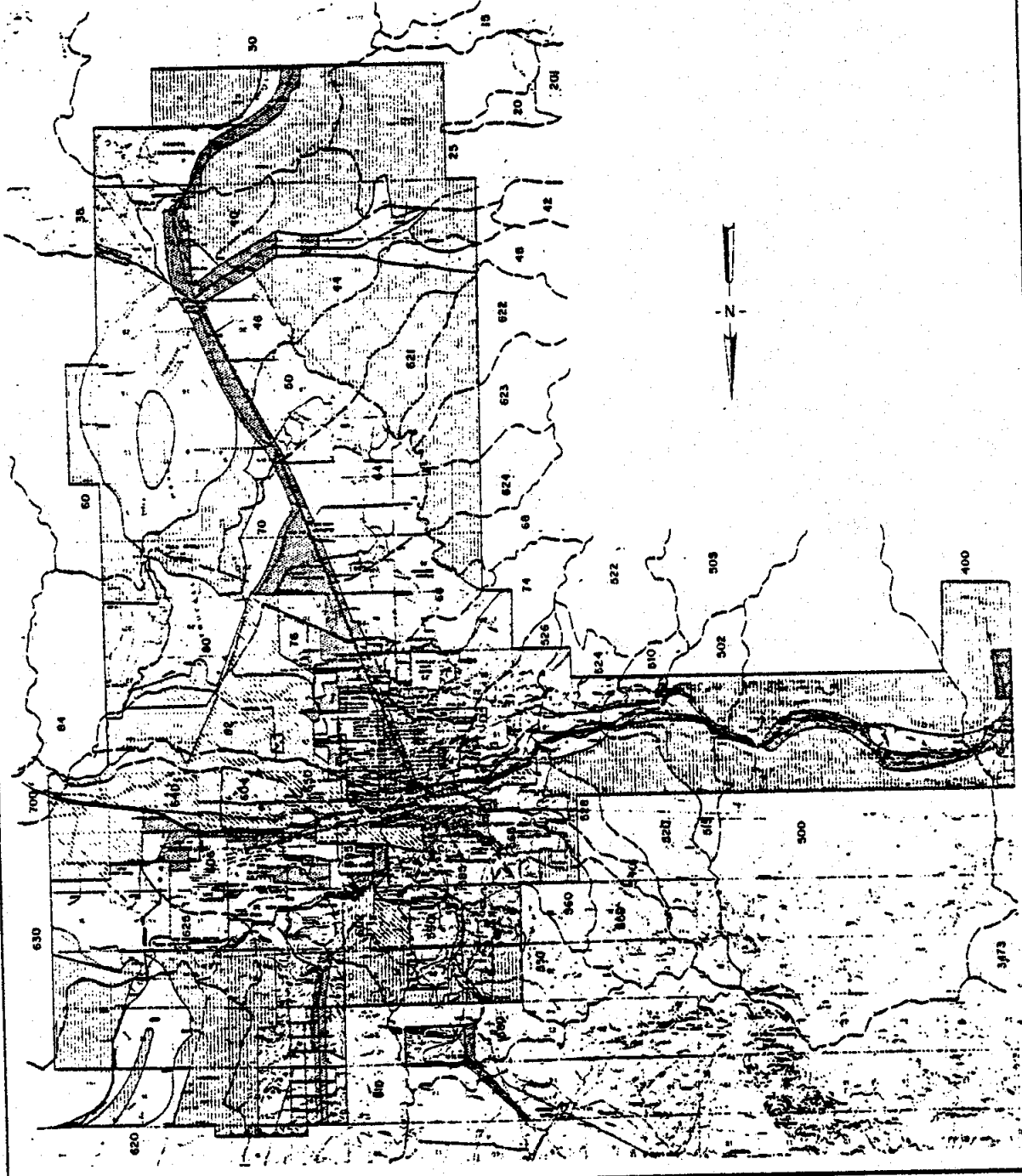
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RENO AREA






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**CHART 18**



**LEGEND**

-  Forest and Grazing Areas
-  Agricultural
-  Residential
-  Industrial
-  Commercial

--- Drainage Boundary

828 Subarea Number



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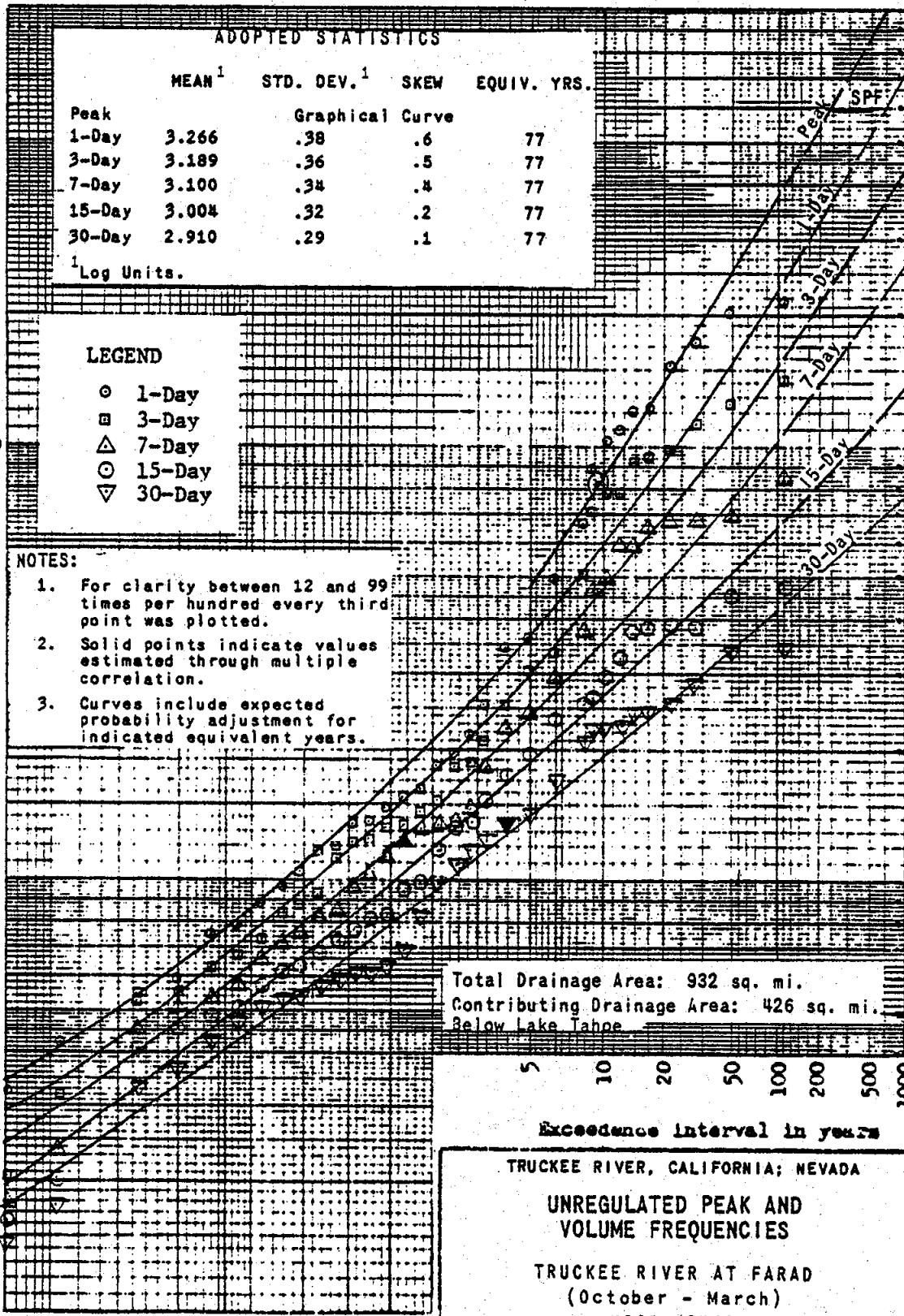
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**CHART 19**

# Exceedence frequency per hundred years

99 98 95 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 5 2 1 .5 .2 .1



Flow in c.f.s.

Period of record used in analysis: 1902-1977

**TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA**  
**UNREGULATED PEAK AND VOLUME FREQUENCIES**  
 TRUCKEE RIVER AT FARAD  
 (October - March)  
 USGS #3460  
**Corps of Engineers, Sacramento, Calif.**  
 Prepared: J.H.                      Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Exceedence frequency per hundred years

99 98 95 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 5 2 1 .5 .2 .1  
 100000  
 ADOPTED STATISTICS

	MEAN <sup>1</sup>	STD. DEV. <sup>1</sup>	SKEW	EQUIV. YRS.
Peak				
1-Day	3.276	.40	.6	77
3-Day	3.203	.38	.5	77
7-Day	3.109	.35	.4	77
15-Day	3.008	.33	.2	77
30-Day	2.919	.30	.1	77

<sup>1</sup>Log Units.

LEGEND

- 1-Day
- 3-Day
- △ 7-Day
- ⊙ 15-Day
- ▽ 30-Day

NOTES:

1. For clarity between 12 and 99 times per hundred every third point was plotted.
2. Solid points indicate values estimated through multiple correlation.
3. Curves include expected probability adjustment for indicated equivalent years.

Flow in c.f.s.

10000

1000

100

Total Drainage Area: 1067 sq. mi.  
 Contributing Drainage Area: 561 sq. mi.  
 Below Lake Tahoe.

Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

UNREGULATED PEAK AND  
 VOLUME FREQUENCIES

TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO  
 (October - March)

USGS #3480

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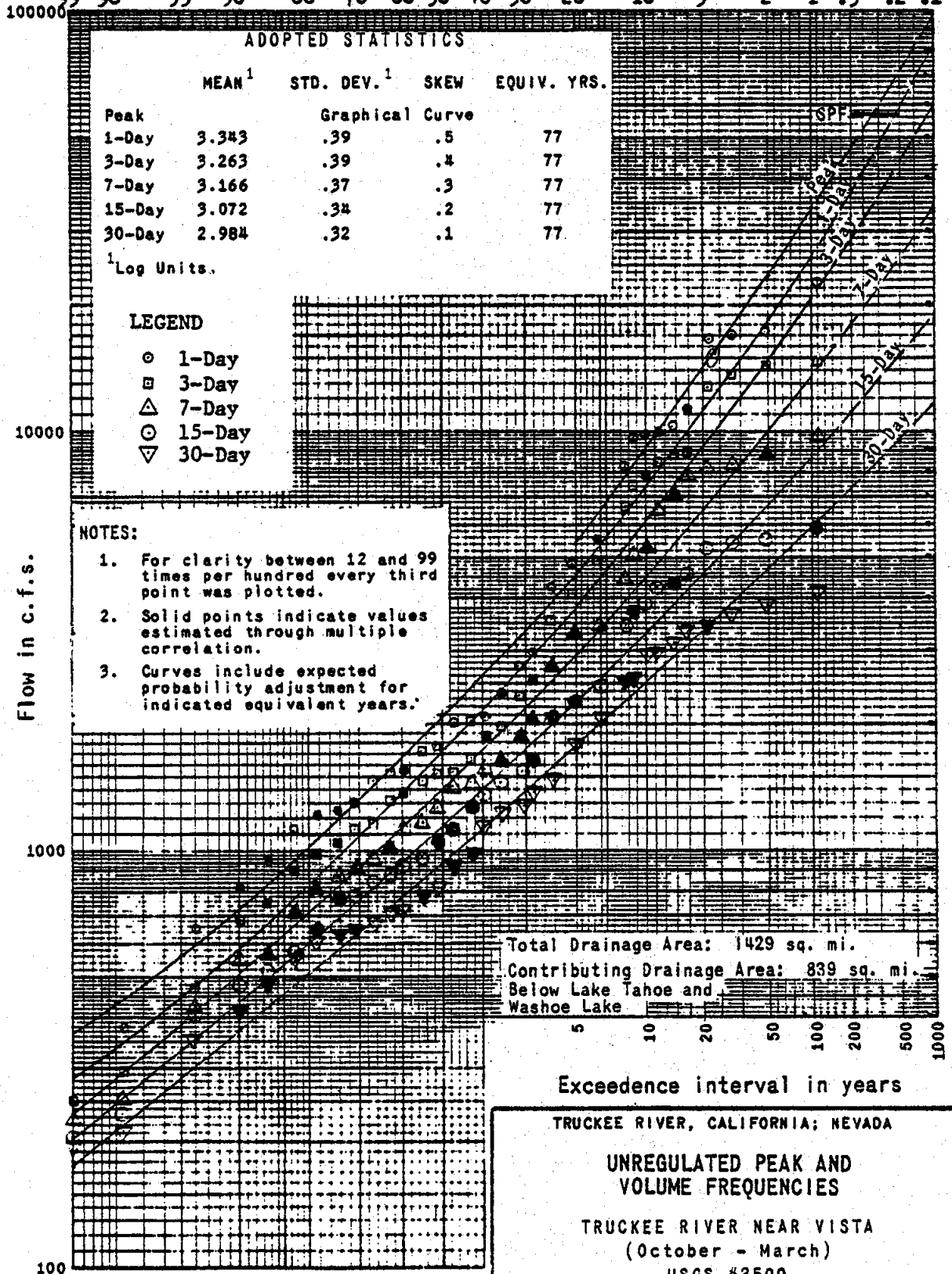
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Period of record used in  
 analysis: 1907, 09-10,  
 13-19, 31-34, 43, 46-77.

Exceedence frequency per hundred years

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ADOPTED STATISTICS

	MEAN <sup>1</sup>	STD. DEV. <sup>1</sup>	SKEW	EQUIV. YRS.
Peak			Graphical Curve	
1-Day	3.343	.39	.5	77
3-Day	3.263	.39	.4	77
7-Day	3.166	.37	.3	77
15-Day	3.072	.34	.2	77
30-Day	2.984	.32	.1	77

<sup>1</sup>Log Units.

LEGEND

- 1-Day
- 3-Day
- △ 7-Day
- ⊙ 15-Day
- ▽ 30-Day

NOTES:

1. For clarity between 12 and 99 times per hundred every third point was plotted.
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3. Curves include expected probability adjustment for indicated equivalent years.

Total Drainage Area: 1429 sq. mi.  
 Contributing Drainage Area: 839 sq. mi.  
 Below Lake Tahoe and Washoe Lake

Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

UNREGULATED PEAK AND VOLUME FREQUENCIES

TRUCKEE RIVER NEAR VISTA  
 (October - March)

USGS #3500

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Date NOVEMBER 1979

Period of record used in analysis: 1901-07, 33-48, 50-54, 59-77.

Exceedence frequency per hundred years

100000 99 98 95 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 5 2 1 .5 .2 .1

ADOPTED STATISTICAL

PEAK	MEAN <sup>1</sup>	STD. DEV. <sup>1</sup>	SKEW	EQUIV. YRS.
1-Day	3.325	.39	.5	76
3-Day	3.259	.38	.4	77
7-Day	3.171	.36	.3	77
15-Day	3.059	.34	.2	76
30-Day	2.970	.32	.1	76

<sup>1</sup>Log Units.

- 1-Day
- 3-Day
- △ 7-Day
- ⊙ 15-Day
- ▽ 30-Day

NOTES:

1. For clarity between 12 and 99 times per hundred every third point was plotted.
2. Solid points indicate values estimated through multiple correlation.
3. Curves include expected probability adjustment for indicated equivalent years.

Flow in c.f.s.

10000

1000

100

Total Drainage Area: 1670 sq. mi.  
 Contributing Drainage Area: 1080 sq. mi.  
 Below Lake Tahoe and Washoe Lake

5 10 20 50 100 200 500 1000

Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

UNREGULATED PEAK AND VOLUME FREQUENCIES

TRUCKEE RIVER BELOW DERBY DAM  
 NEAR WADSWORTH

USGS #3516 (October - March)

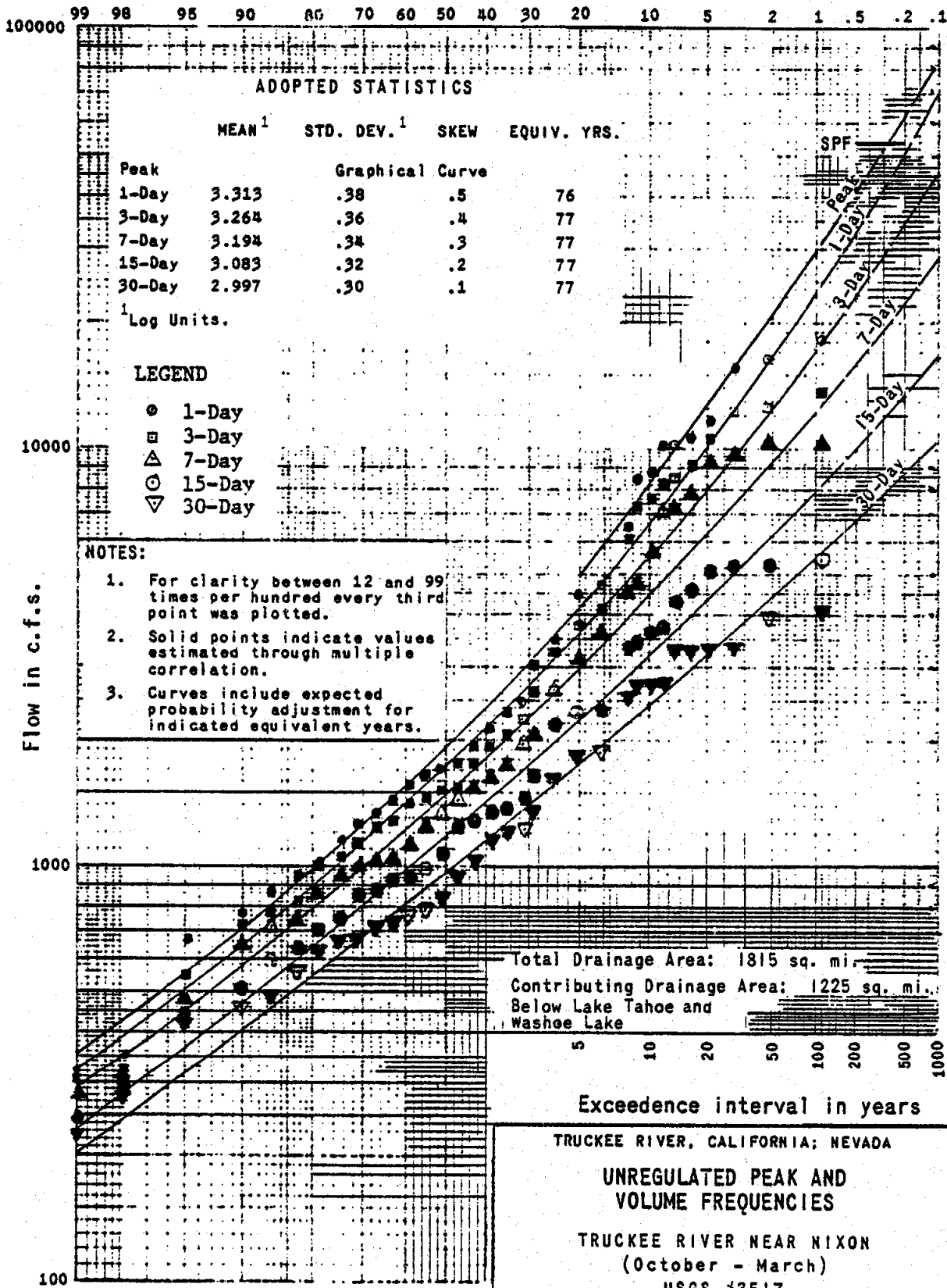
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Period of record used in analysis: 1919-54, 67-77.

Exceedence frequency per hundred years



ADOPTED STATISTICS

	MEAN <sup>1</sup>	STD. DEV. <sup>1</sup>	SKEW	EQUIV. YRS.
Peak			Graphical Curve	
1-Day	3.313	.38	.5	76
3-Day	3.264	.36	.4	77
7-Day	3.194	.34	.3	77
15-Day	3.083	.32	.2	77
30-Day	2.997	.30	.1	77

<sup>1</sup> Log Units.

LEGEND

- 1-Day
- 3-Day
- ▲ 7-Day
- 15-Day
- ▽ 30-Day

NOTES:

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Total Drainage Area: 1815 sq. mi.  
 Contributing Drainage Area: 1225 sq. mi.  
 Below Lake Tahoe and Washoe Lake

Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA: NEVADA

UNREGULATED PEAK AND VOLUME FREQUENCIES

TRUCKEE RIVER NEAR NIXON  
 (October - March)

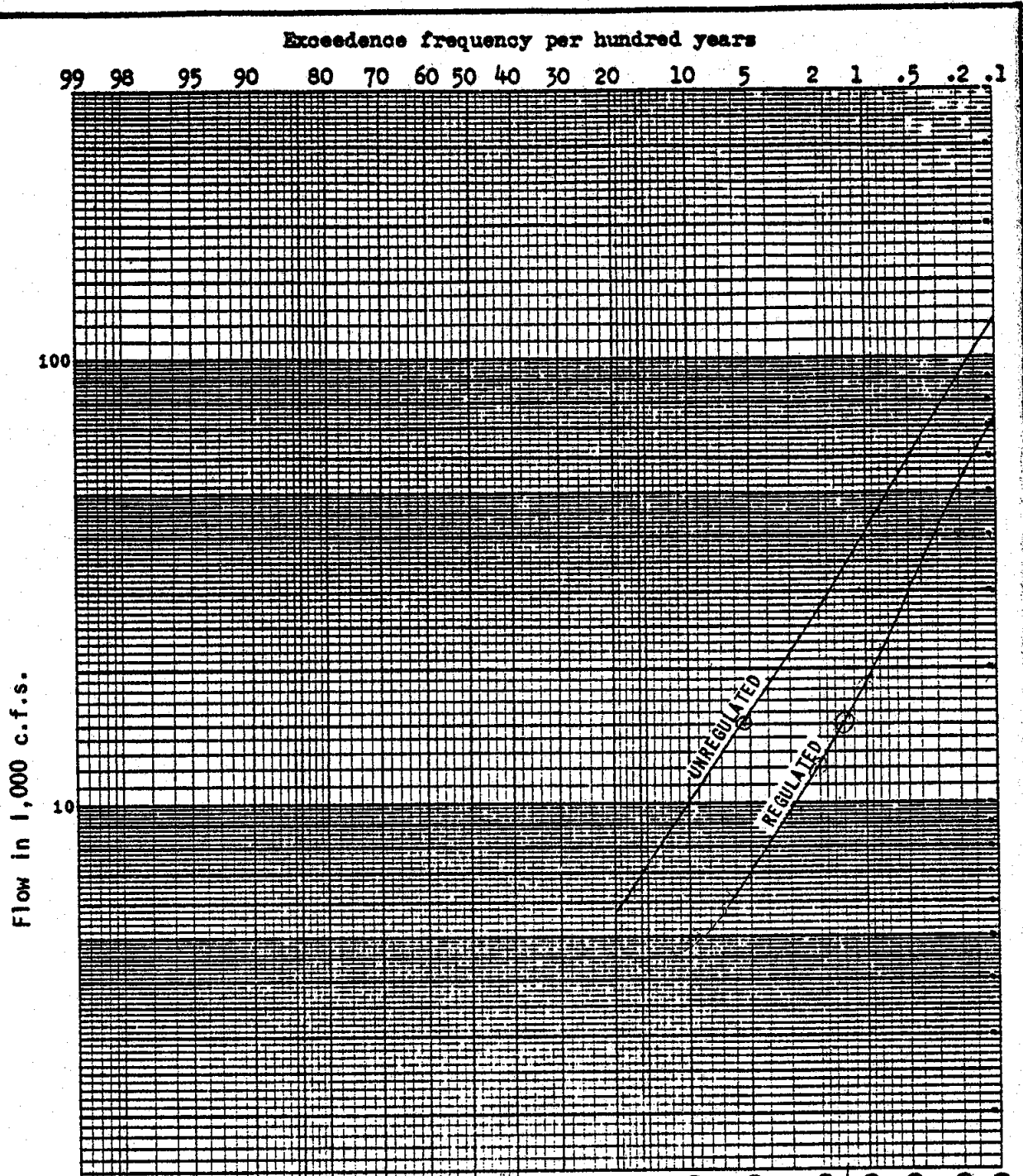
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Total Drainage Area: 1067 sq. mi.  
 Contributing Drainage Area: 561 sq. mi.  
 Below Lake Tahoe

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

**PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY**

TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO  
 (October-March)  
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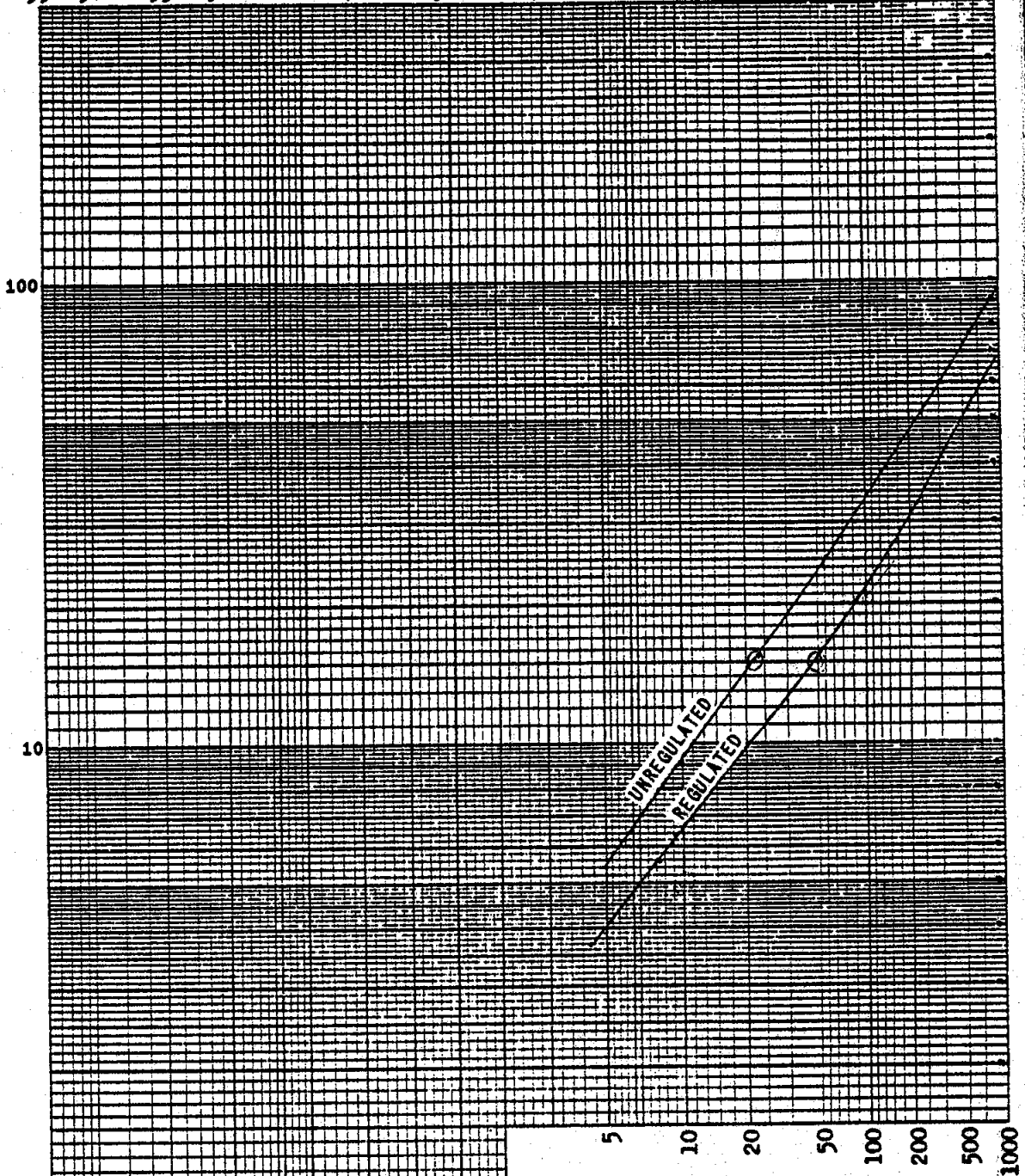
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Exceedence frequency per hundred years

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Flow in 1,000 c.f.s.



Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY

TRUCKEE RIVER NEAR VISTA  
(October-March)

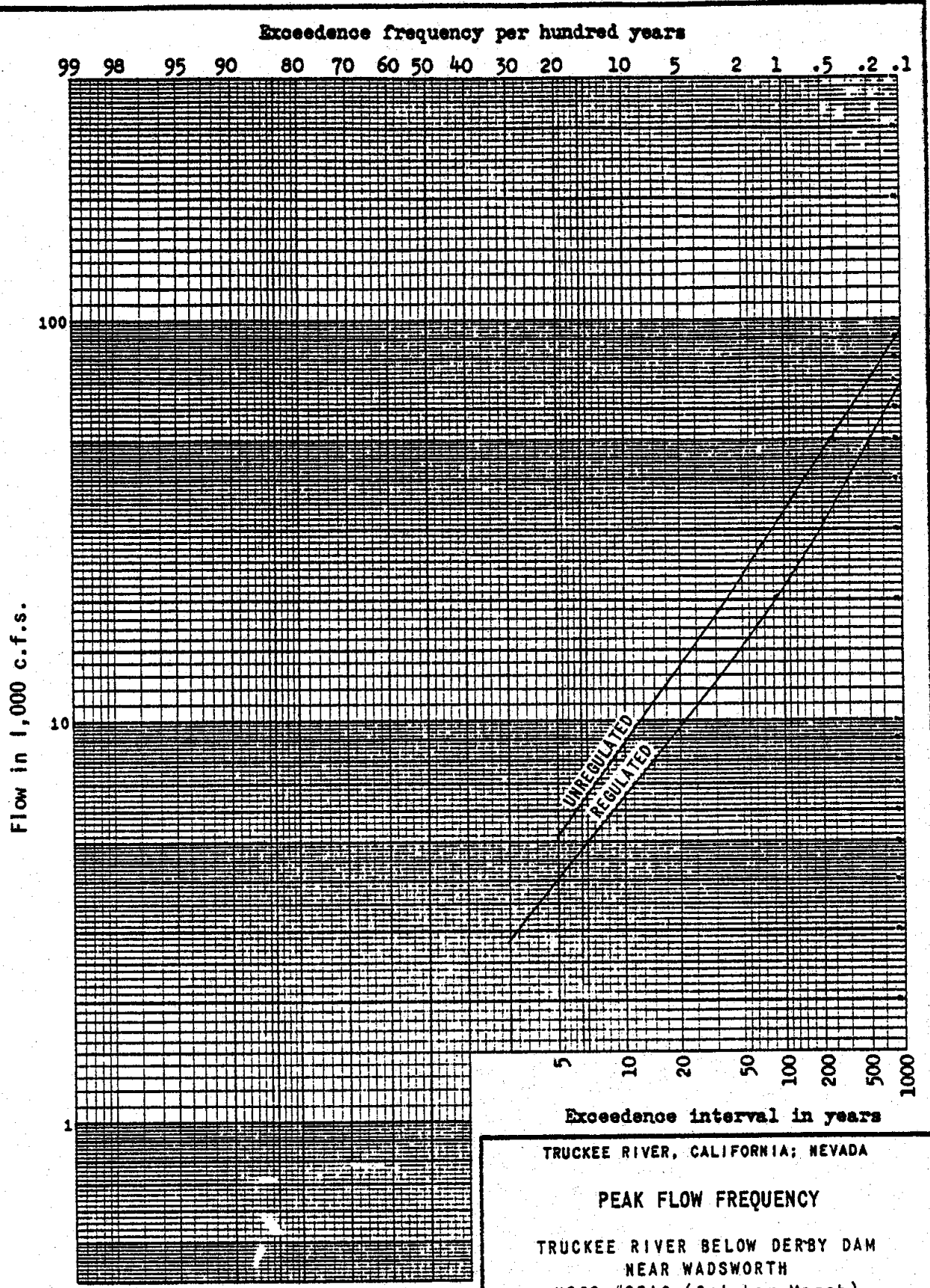
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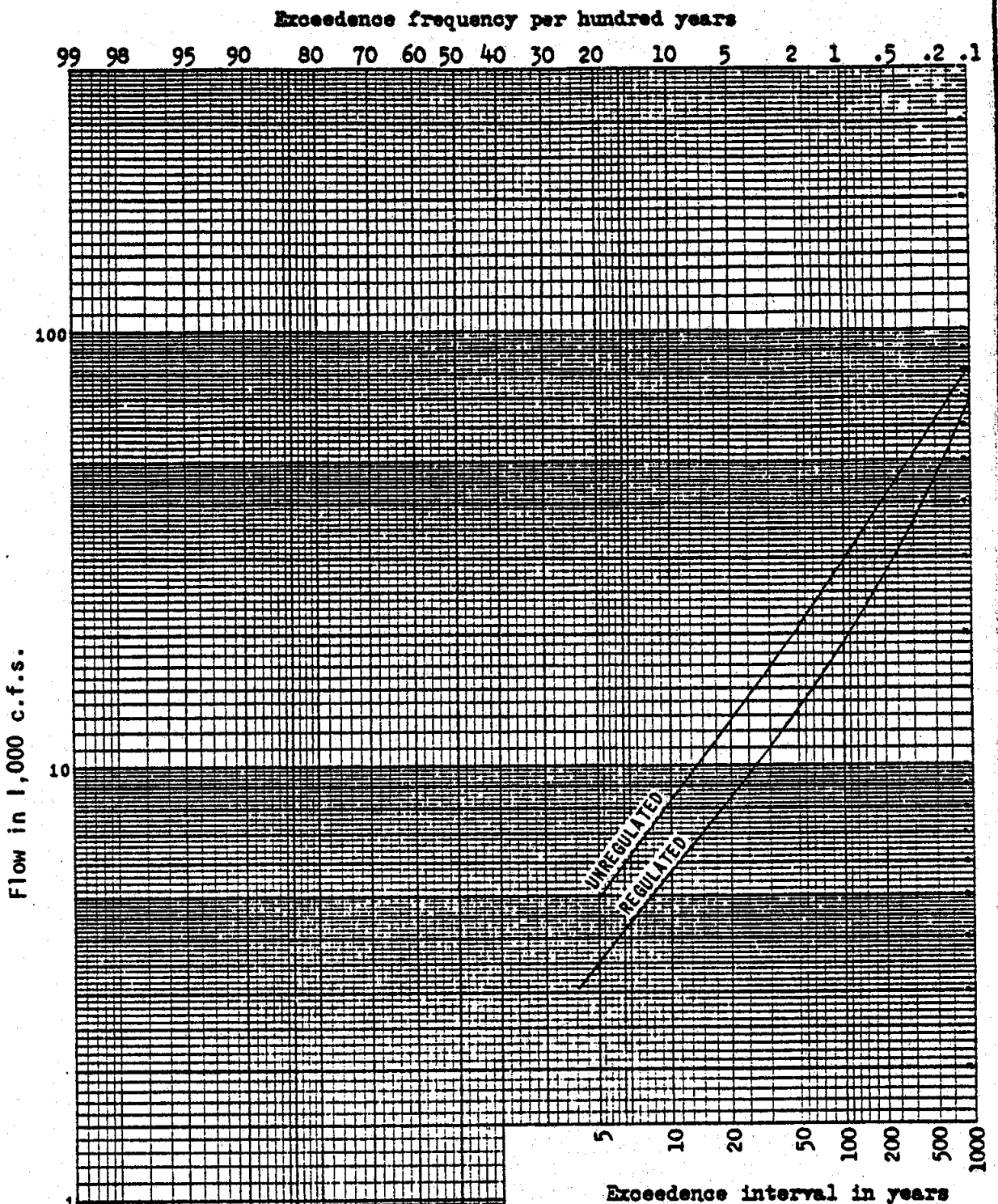
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**PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY**

TRUCKEE RIVER BELOW DERBY DAM  
 NEAR WADSWORTH  
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TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

**PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY**

TRUCKEE RIVER NEAR NIXON  
 (October-March)  
 USGS #3517

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Exceedence frequency per hundred years

99 98 95 90 80 70 60 50 40 30 20 10 5 2 1 .5 .2 .1

-Peak Flow (cfs)-

GALENA CREEK NEAR STEAMBOAT

SPF	100-YR	50-YR	25-YR	10-YR
6,000	3,640	2,030	1,150	530

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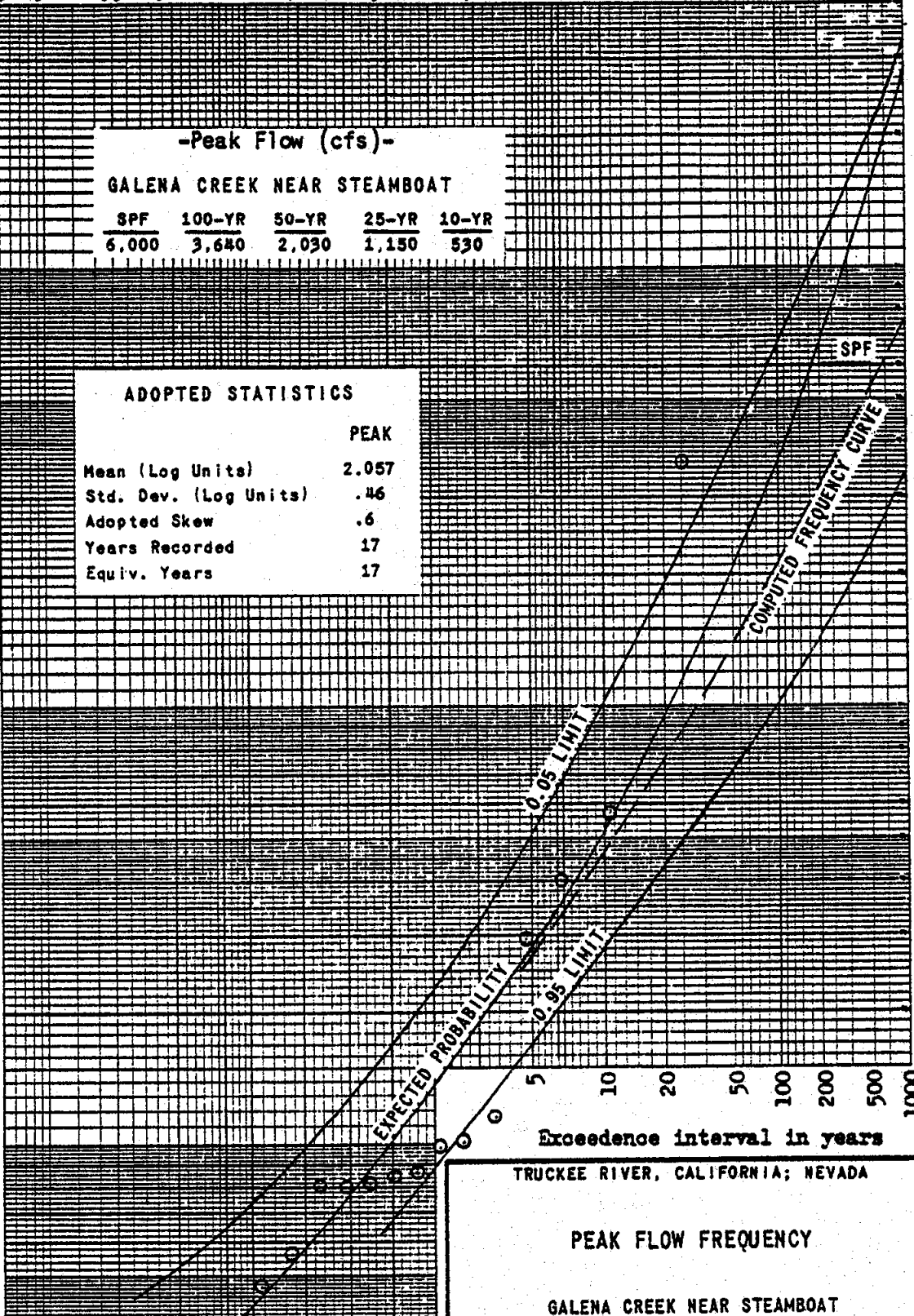
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	PEAK
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Std. Dev. (Log Units)	.46
Adopted Skew	.6
Years Recorded	17
Equiv. Years	17

Peak flow in 1,000 c.f.s.

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Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY

GALENA CREEK NEAR STEAMBOAT  
U.S.G.S. 3489

Period of Record: 1962-1978  
Total Drainage Area: 8.5 sq. mi.

Corps of Engineers, Sacramento, Calif.

Prepared: J.H.

Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Exceedance frequency per hundred years

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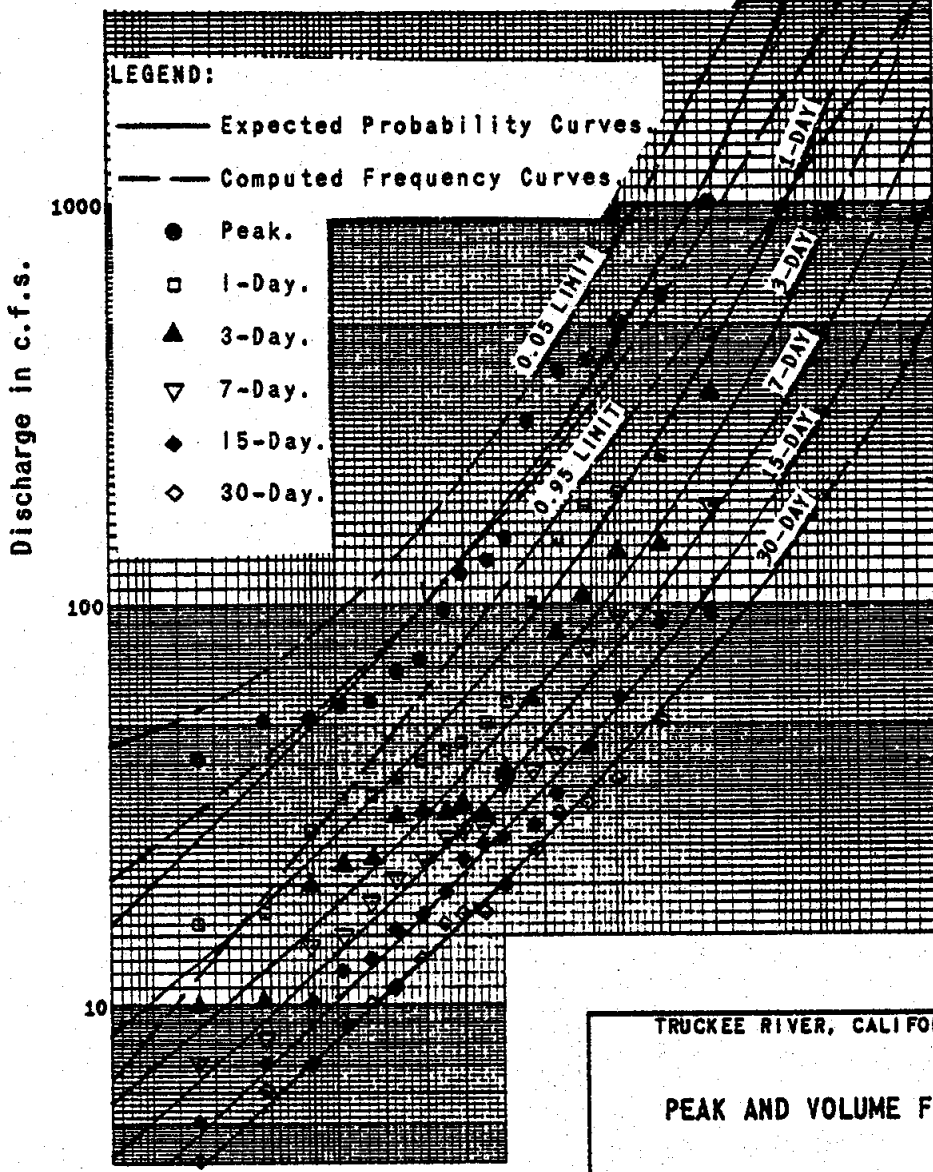
PEAK FLOWS

STEAMBOAT CREEK AT STEAMBOAT:

SPF	100	50	25	10	YEARS
15,200	4,640	2,590	1,480	670	C.F.S.

ADOPTED STATISTICS

	PEAK	1-DAY	3-DAY	7-DAY	15-DAY	30-DAY
Mean (Log Units)	2.163	1.798	1.618	1.479	1.348	1.229
S.D. (Log Units)	.46	.42	.40	.38	.37	.35
Adopted Skew	.6	.6	.5	.4	.3	.2
Years Rec.	17	17	17	17	17	17
Equiv. Years	17	17	17	17	17	17



LEGEND:

- Expected Probability Curves.
- Computed Frequency Curves.
- Peak.
- 1-Day.
- ▲ 3-Day.
- ▽ 7-Day.
- ◆ 15-Day.
- ◇ 30-Day.

Discharge in c.f.s.

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK AND VOLUME FREQUENCIES

STEAMBOAT CREEK AT STEAMBOAT (30)

USGS NO. 3493

CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Prepared: P.W.

Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Drawn: C.A.P.

Period of Record: 1962-1978

Total Drainage Area: 123.0 sq. mi.

Contributing Drainage Area: 39.3 sq. mi.  
Below Washoe Lake



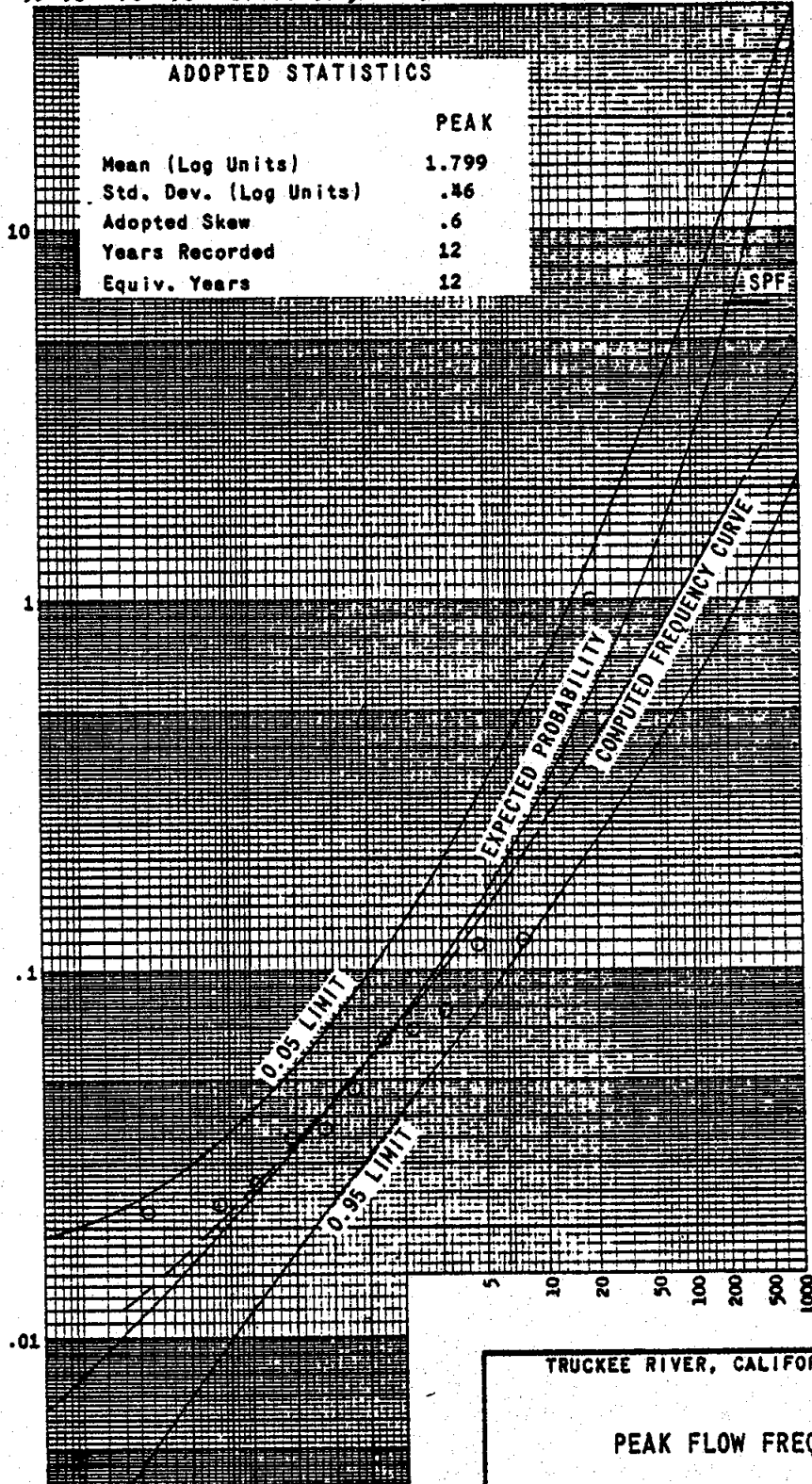
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ADOPTED STATISTICS

	PEAK
Mean (Log Units)	1.799
Std. Dev. (Log Units)	.46
Adopted Skew	.6
Years Recorded	12
Equiv. Years	12

Peak flow in 1,000 c.f.s.



TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY

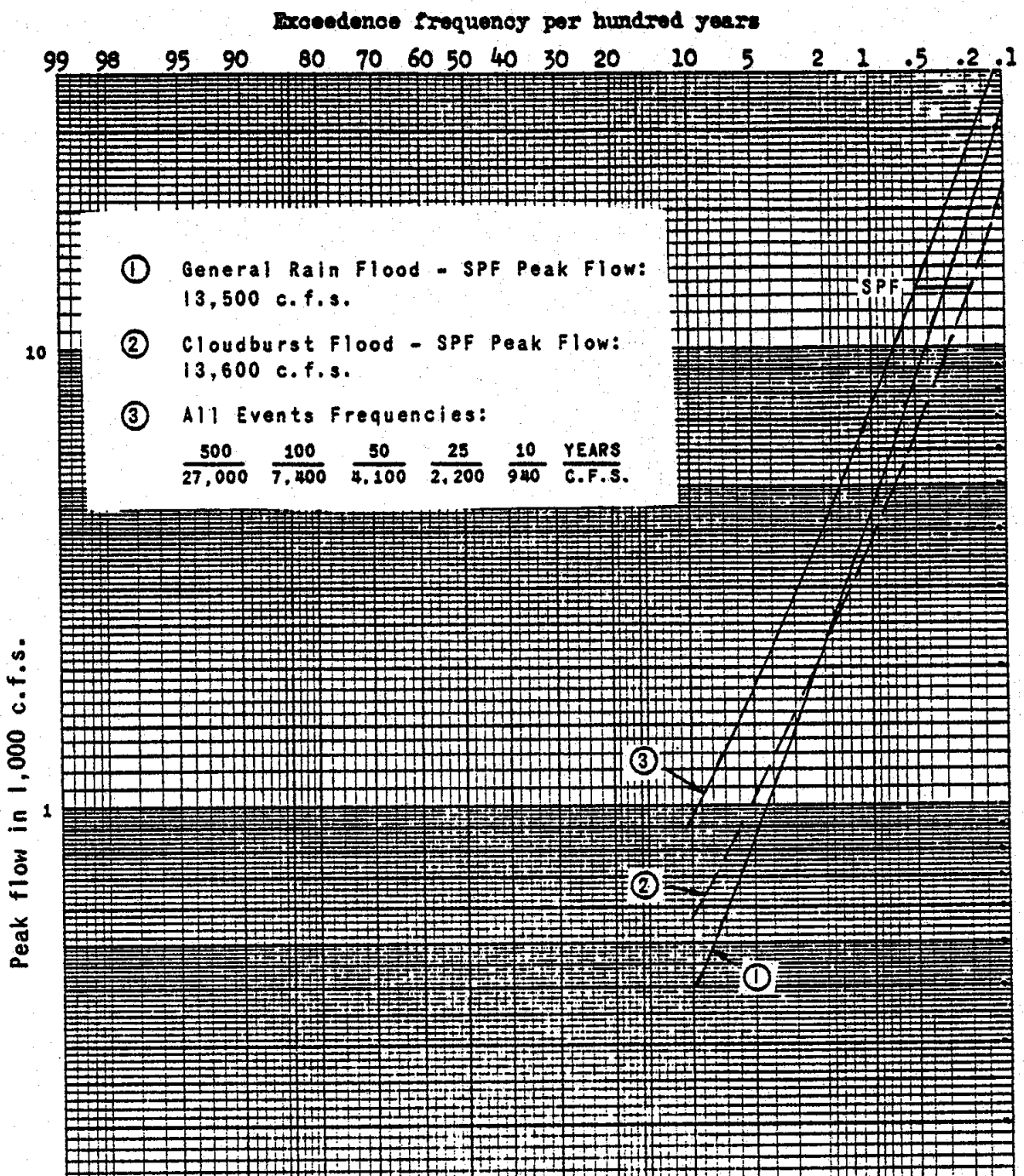
HUNTER CREEK NEAR RENO  
USGS #3476

CORPS OF ENGINEERS, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA

Prepared: J.H.  
Drawn: C.A.P.

Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Period of Record: 1962-1971, 1973-1974  
Total Drainage Area: 11.5 sq. mi.



Peak flow in 1,000 c.f.s.

5 10 20 50 100 200 500 1000

**Exceedence interval in years**

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

**PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY**

STEAMBOAT CREEK AT HUFFACKER HILLS  
(INDEX POINT 60)

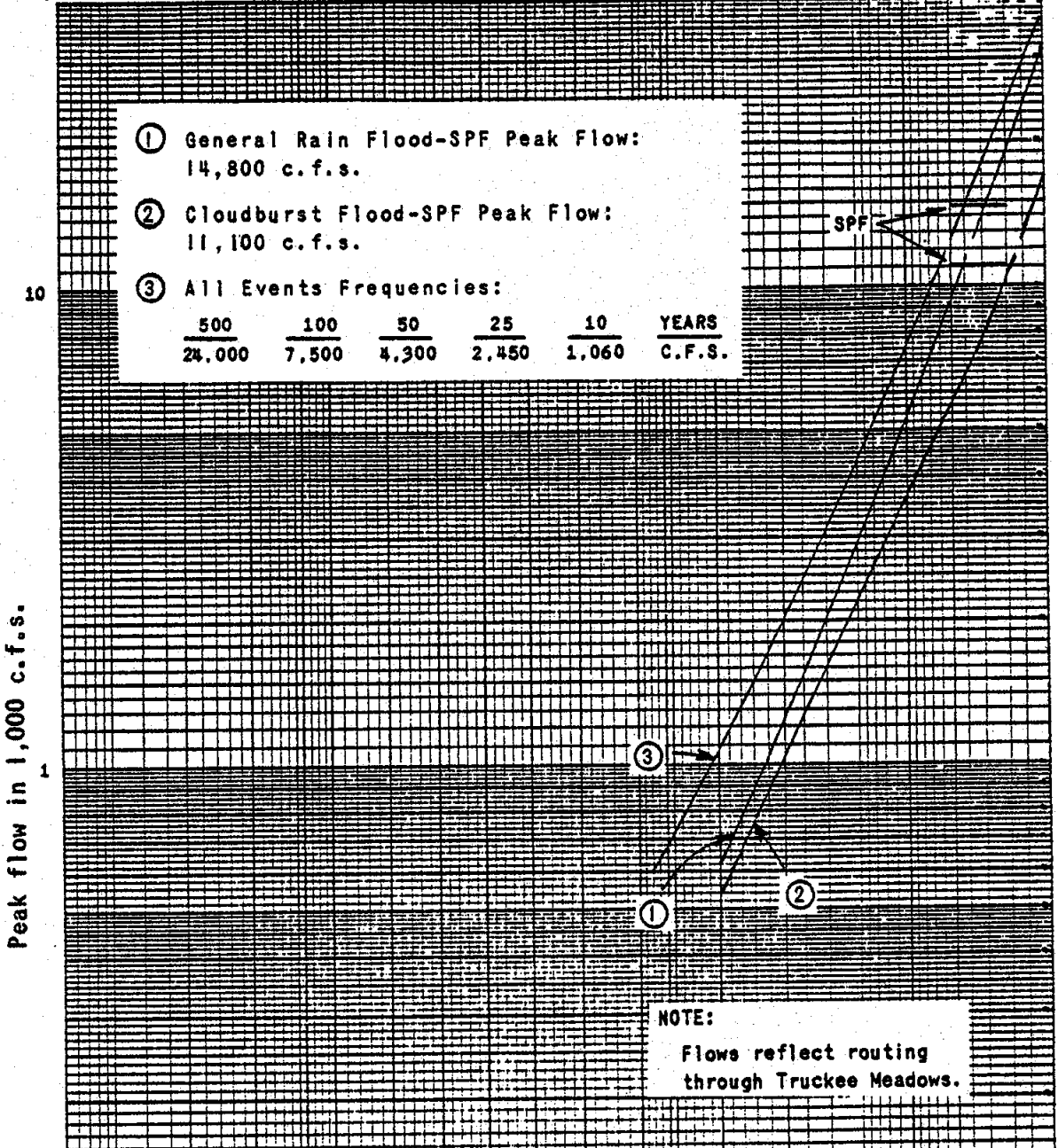
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Prepared: J.H.                      Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Total Drainage Area: 194.0 sq. mi.  
Contributing Drainage Area: 110.4 sq. mi.

Exceedence frequency per hundred years

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① General Rain Flood-SPF Peak Flow:  
14,800 c.f.s.

② Cloudburst Flood-SPF Peak Flow:  
11,100 c.f.s.

③ All Events Frequencies:

500	100	50	25	10	YEARS
24,000	7,500	4,300	2,450	1,060	C.F.S.

Peak flow in 1,000 c.f.s.

NOTE:  
Flows reflect routing through Truckee Meadows.

5 10 20 50 100 200 500 1000  
Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY

STEAMBOAT CREEK AT MOUTH  
(INDEX POINT 84)

Corps of Engineers, Sacramento, Calif.

Prepared: J.H. Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Total Drainage Area: 246.0 sq. mi.  
Contributing Drainage Area: 162.3 sq. mi.



Exceedence frequency per hundred years

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-Peak Flow (cfs)-

④④ WHITES CREEK AT STEAMBOAT DITCH  
(DA = 14.6 sq. mi.)

SPF	100	50	20	10
8,700	3,900	2,100	960	520

④⑧ THOMAS CREEK AT STEAMBOAT DITCH  
(DA = 11.4 sq. mi.)

SPF	100	50	20	10
5,600	2,500	1,350	620	340

⑥②② DRY CREEK AT STEAMBOAT DITCH  
(DA = 3.6 sq. mi.)

SPF	100	50	20	10
2,650	1,180	640	290	160

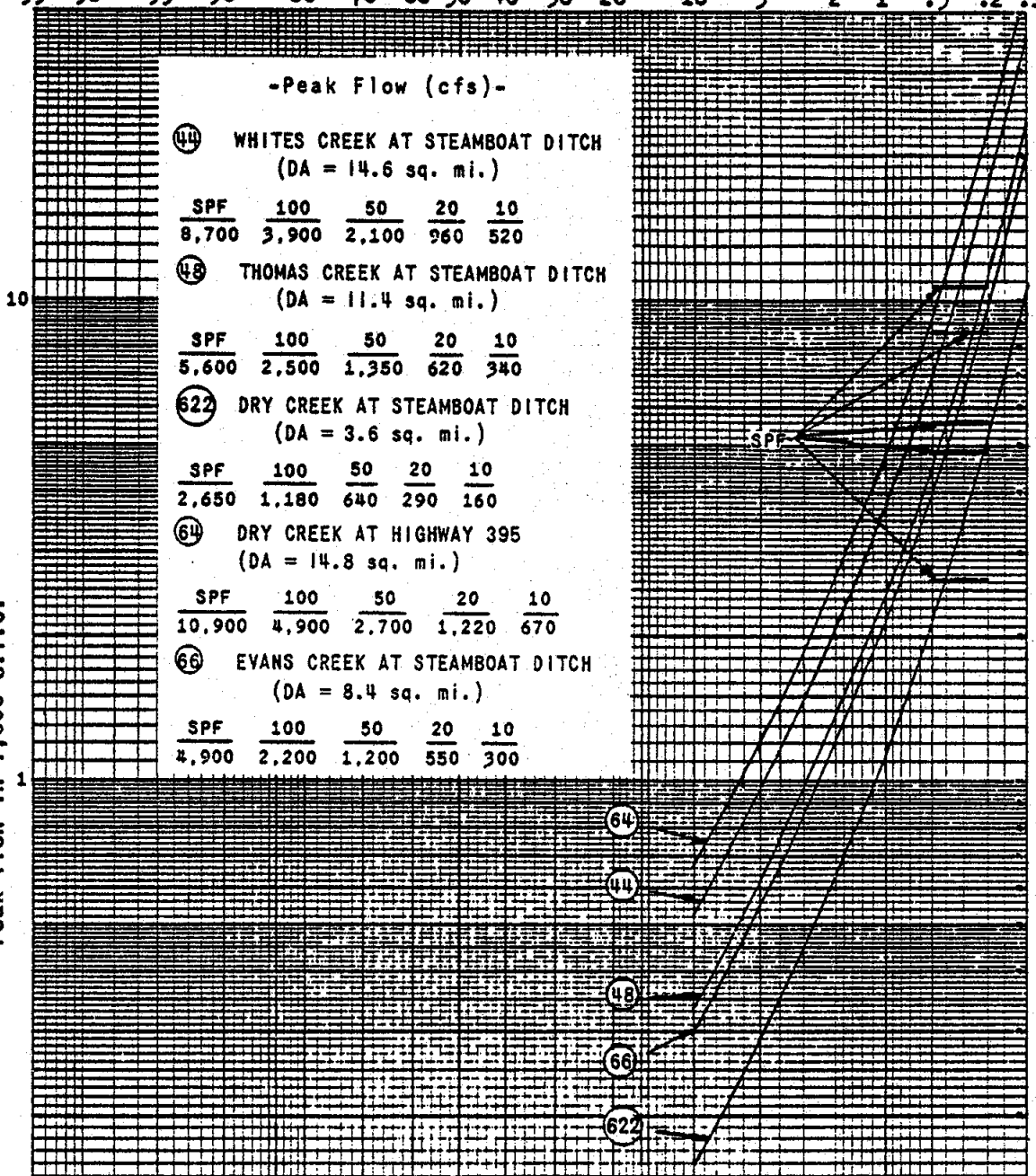
⑥④ DRY CREEK AT HIGHWAY 395  
(DA = 14.8 sq. mi.)

SPF	100	50	20	10
10,900	4,900	2,700	1,220	670

⑥⑥ EVANS CREEK AT STEAMBOAT DITCH  
(DA = 8.4 sq. mi.)

SPF	100	50	20	10
4,900	2,200	1,200	550	300

Peak flow in 1,000 c.f.s.



5 10 20 50 100 200 500 1000

Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY

DRY, EVANS, WHITES, THOMAS CREEKS  
AT STEAMBOAT DITCH AND DRY CREEK  
AT HIGHWAY 395

Corps of Engineers, Sacramento, Calif.

Prepared: R.C.K.

Date: NOVEMBER 1979

Exceedence frequency per hundred years

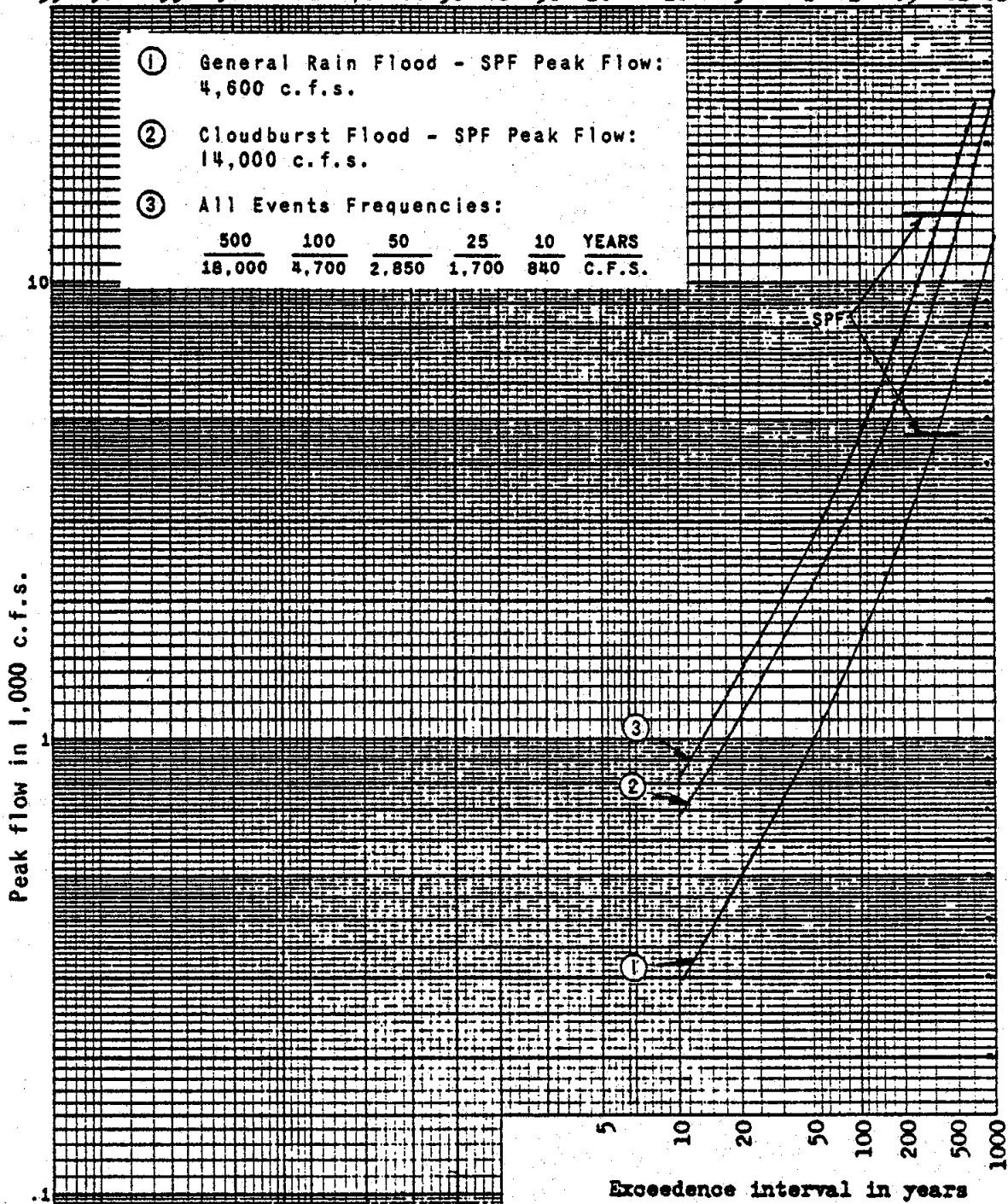
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① General Rain Flood - SPF Peak Flow:  
4,600 c.f.s.

② Cloudburst Flood - SPF Peak Flow:  
14,000 c.f.s.

③ All Events Frequencies:

500	100	50	25	10	YEARS
18,000	4,700	2,850	1,700	840	C.F.S.



Peak flow in 1,000 c.f.s.

Exceedence interval in years

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

PEAK FLOW FREQUENCY

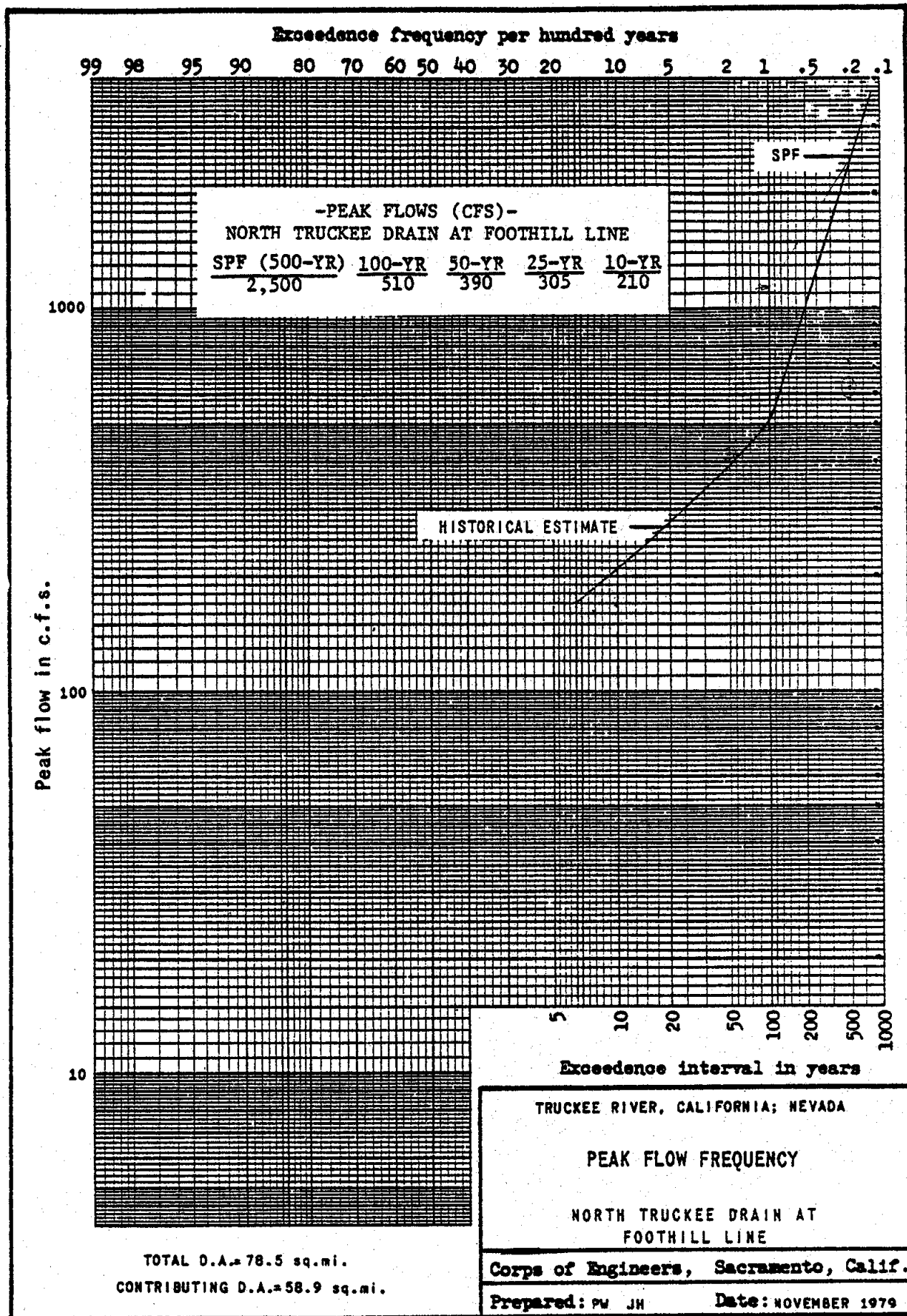
BOYNTON SLOUGH BELOW DRY CREEK  
(INDEX POINT 70)

Total Drainage Area: 41 sq. mi.

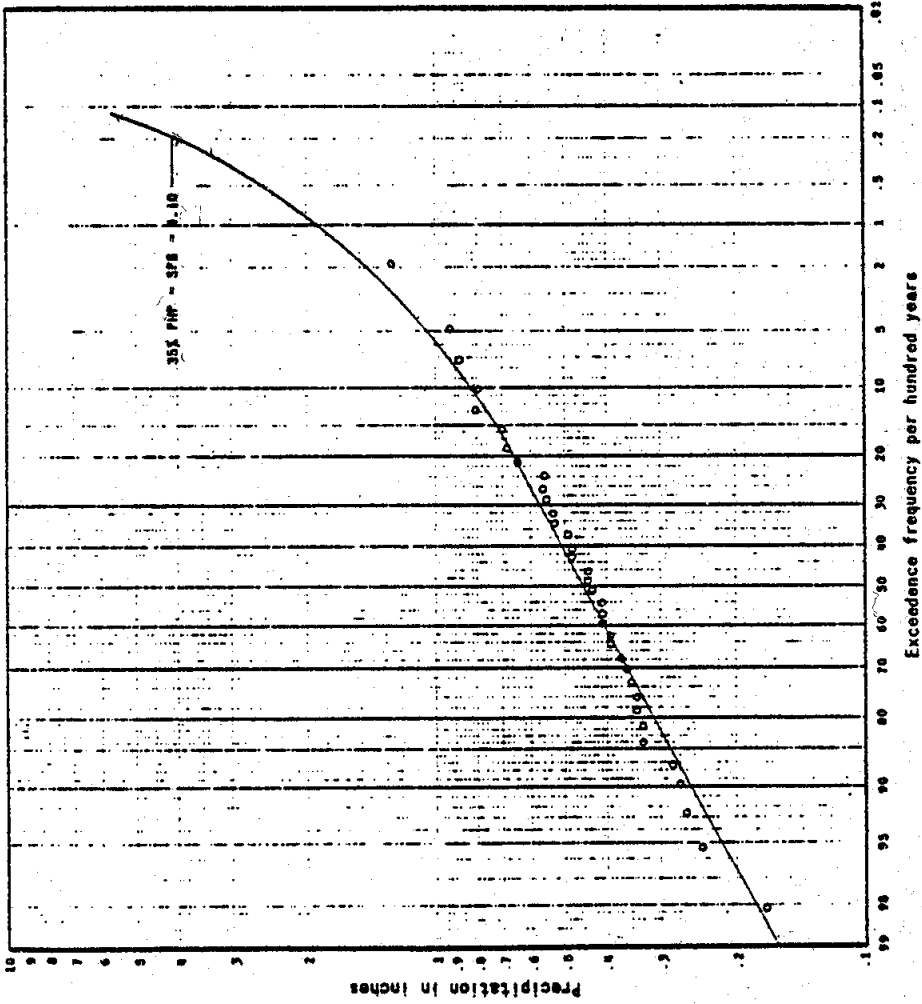
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RECURRENCE INTERVAL IN YEARS	RATIO OF SPS
1000	1.51
SPF	1.00
500	.95
200	.61
100	.46
50	.35
25	.27
10	.20



Period of Record: 1910-1975

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA  
 3-HOUR PRECIPITATION FREQUENCY  
 FOR  
 RENO MMS-AP, NEVADA  
 CORPUS OF ENGINEERS, SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA  
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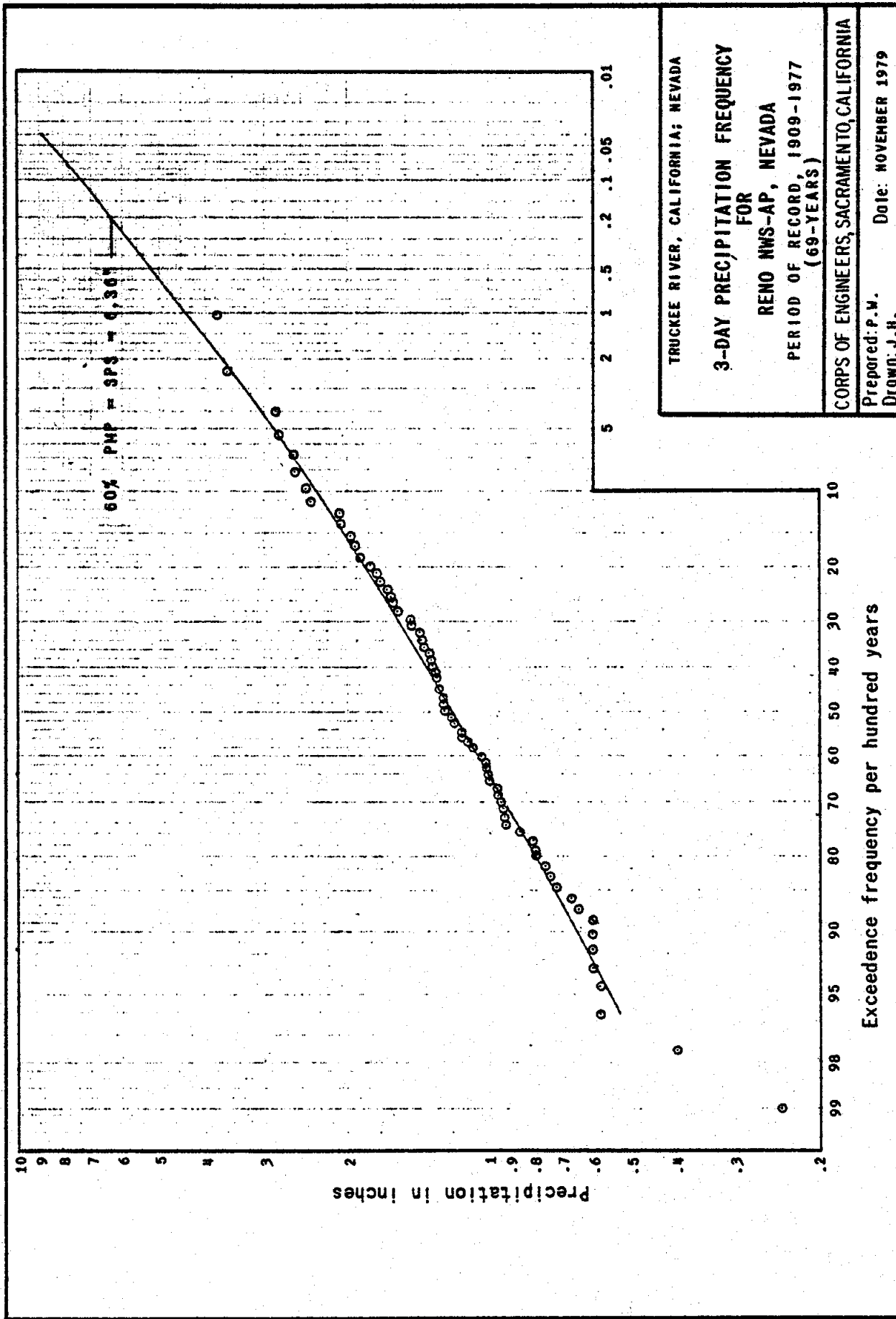
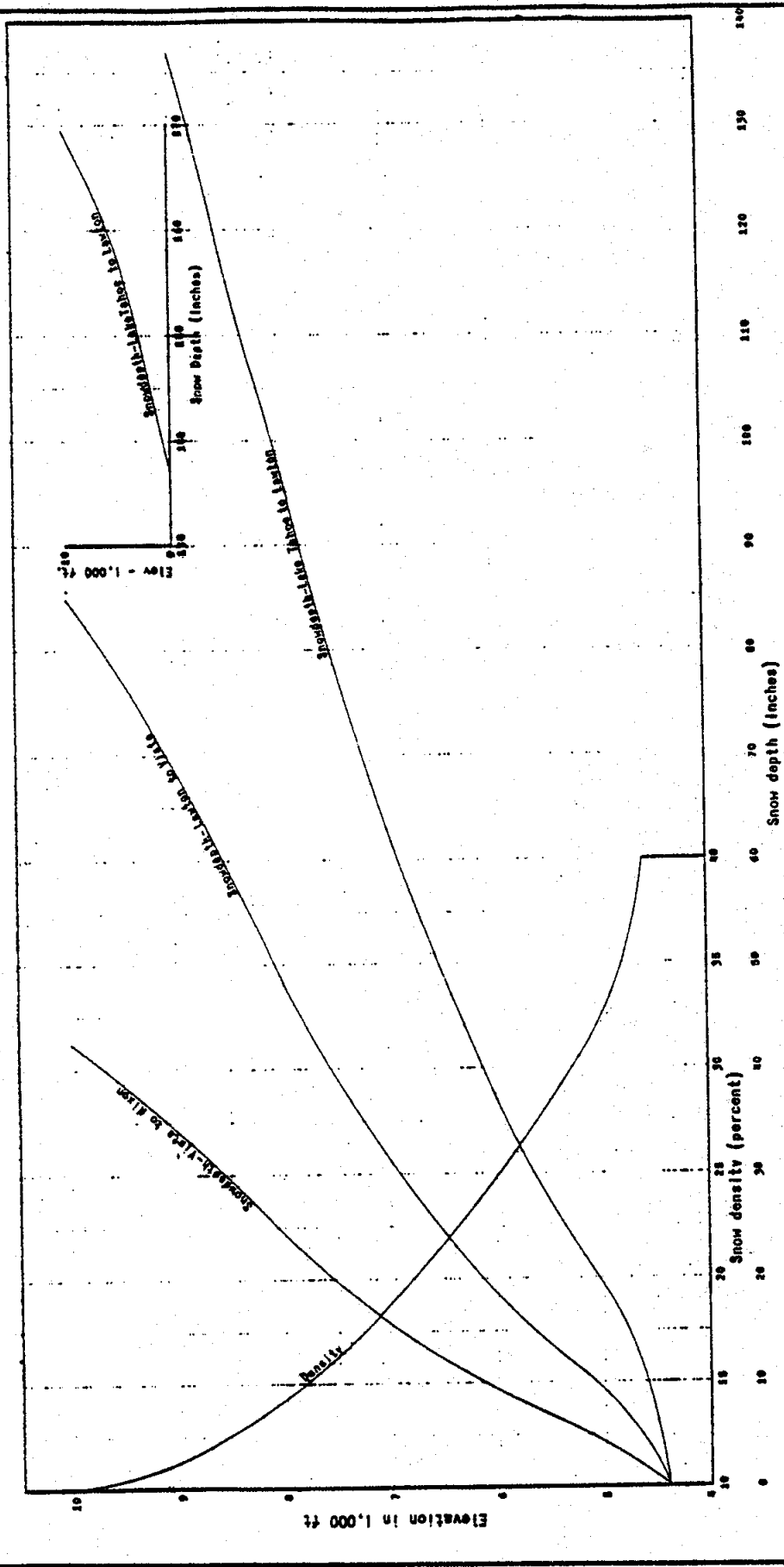


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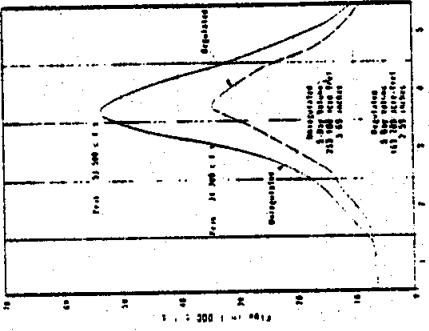
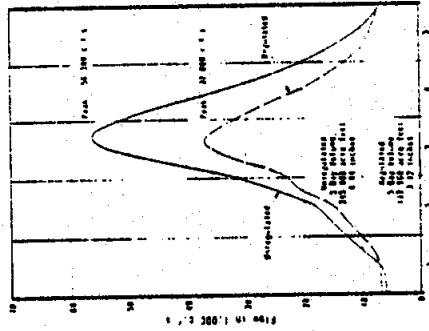
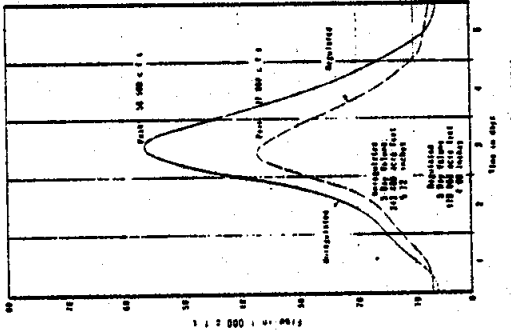
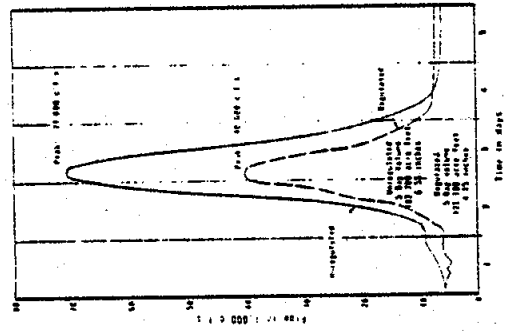
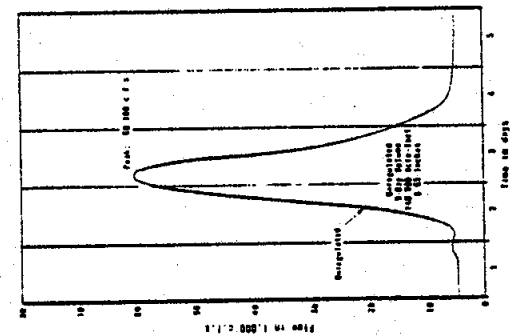
TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA

**SNOW DEPTHS AND DENSITIES  
PRIOR TO STANDARD PROJECT STORM**

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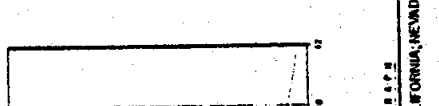
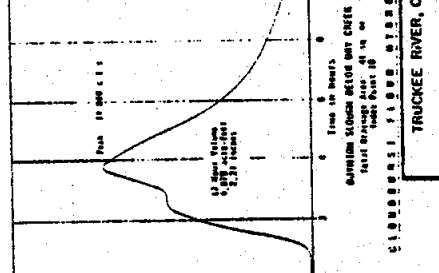
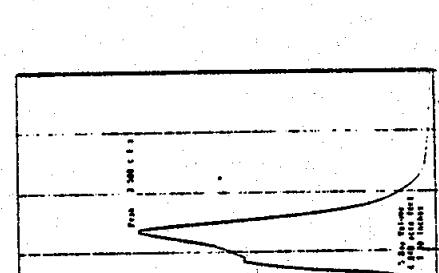
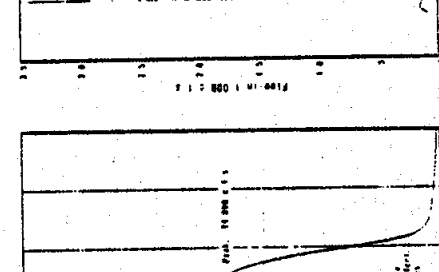
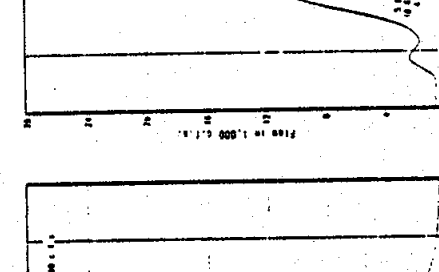
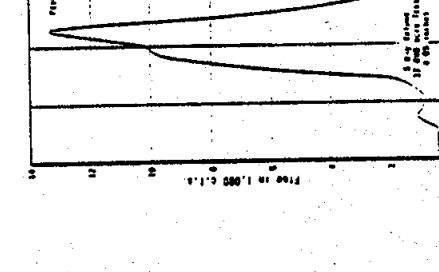
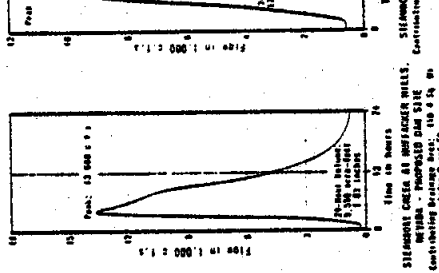
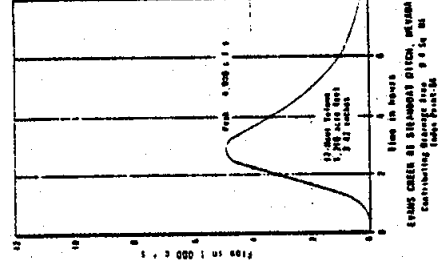
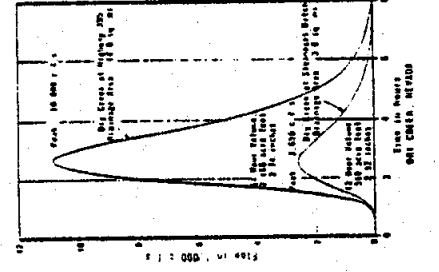
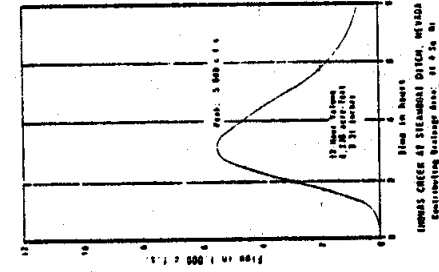
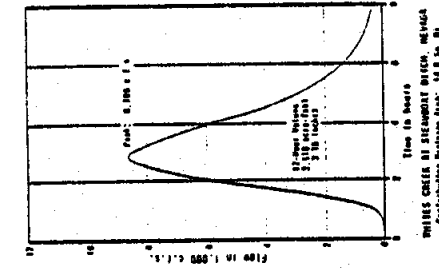
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NOTES  
1. Discharge in this chart is in 1,000 c.f.s.  
2. Precipitation is shown as a dashed line.  
3. Contributing drainage area and date shown on each hydrograph are for the specific event.  
4. The hydrograph is for the event shown on the chart.  
5. The hydrograph is for the event shown on the chart.

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA-NEVADA  
STANDARD PROJECT  
FLOOD HYDROGRAPHS  
TRUCKEE RIVER  
CORPS OF ENGINEERS SACRAMENTO, CALIFORNIA  
Prepared by: P.W. Date: NOVEMBER 1979  
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STANDARD PROJECT  
FLOOD HYDROGRAPHS  
TRUCKEE MEADOWS AND NORTH  
TRUCKEE DRAIN

TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA, NEVADA  
KATHLEEN SLUICED BELOW DAM CREEK  
Total Drainage Area: 41,000 sq. mi.  
Table Point 52

TRUCKEE CREEK AT FORTVILLE LINE  
Contributing Drainage Area: 3,000 sq. mi.  
Table Point 50

TRUCKEE CREEK AT FORTVILLE LINE  
Contributing Drainage Area: 3,000 sq. mi.  
Table Point 51

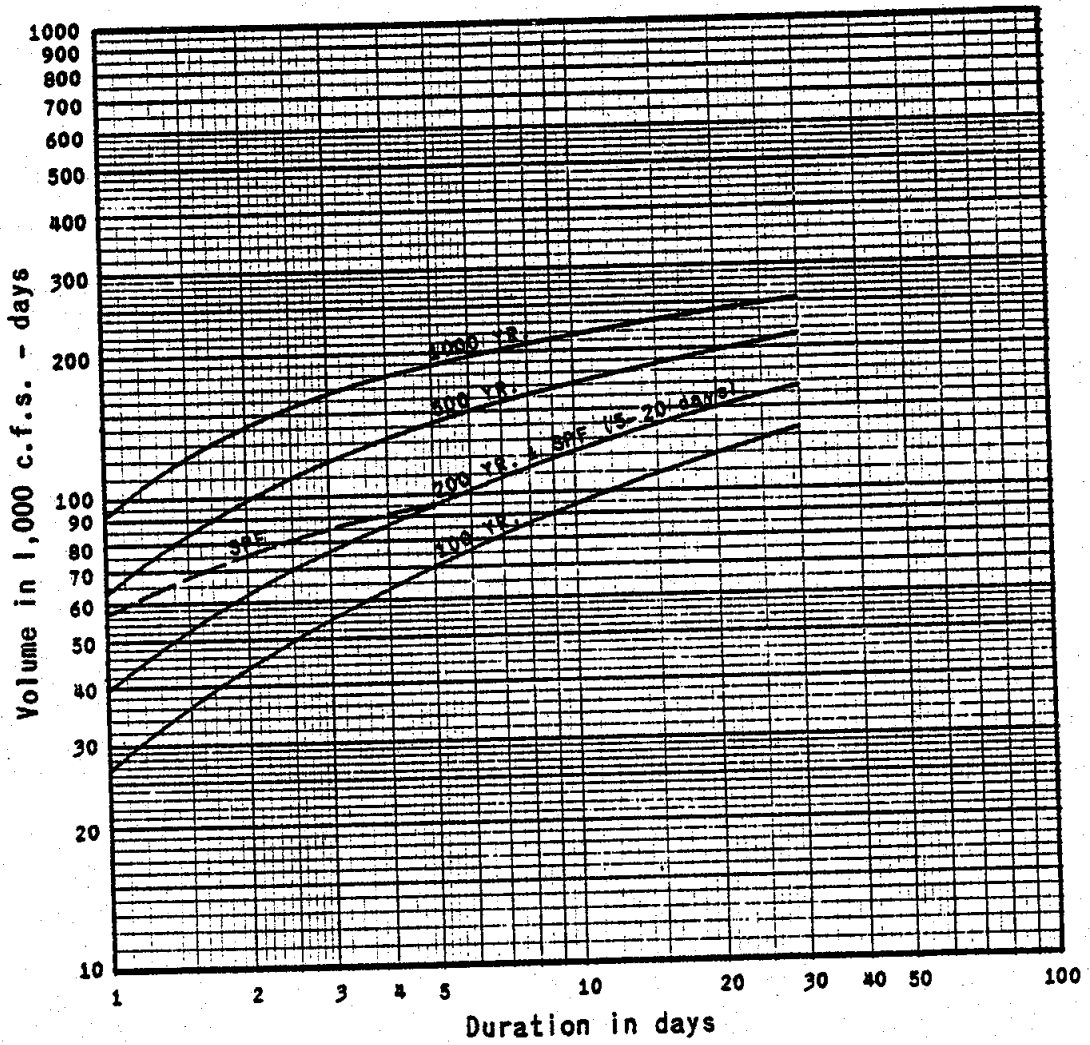
STEAMBOAT CREEK AT HOFFACKER MILLS, NEVADA  
PROPOSED DAM SITE  
Contributing Drainage Area: 10,000 sq. mi.  
Table Point 48

STEAMBOAT CREEK AT HOFFACKER MILLS, NEVADA  
PROPOSED DAM SITE  
Contributing Drainage Area: 10,000 sq. mi.  
Table Point 47

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Hydrographs prepared under contract  
Order 11289, July 1954

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VOLUME-DURATION CURVES

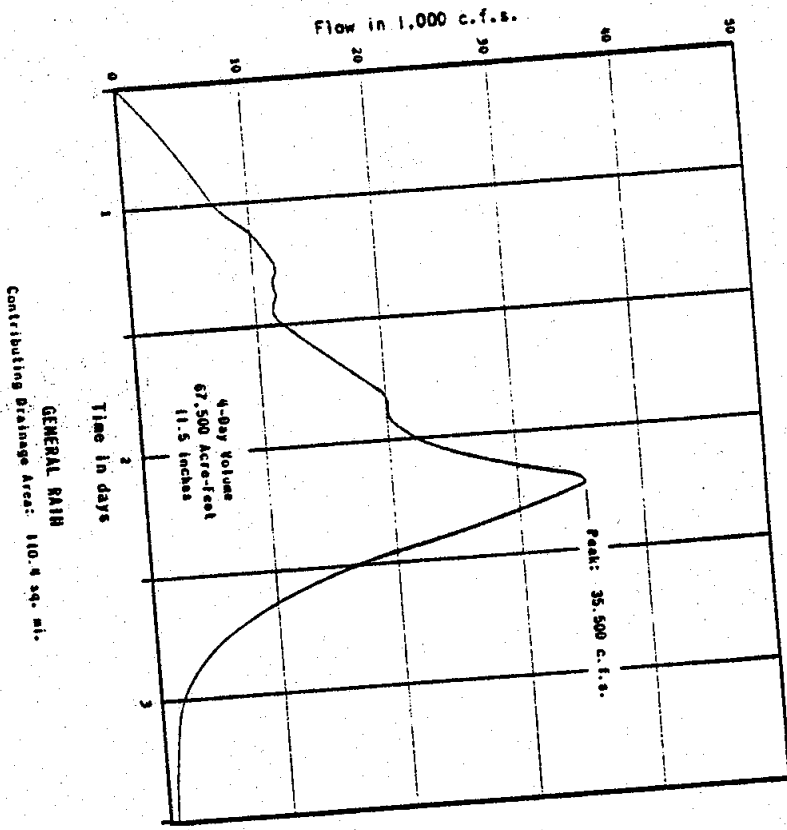
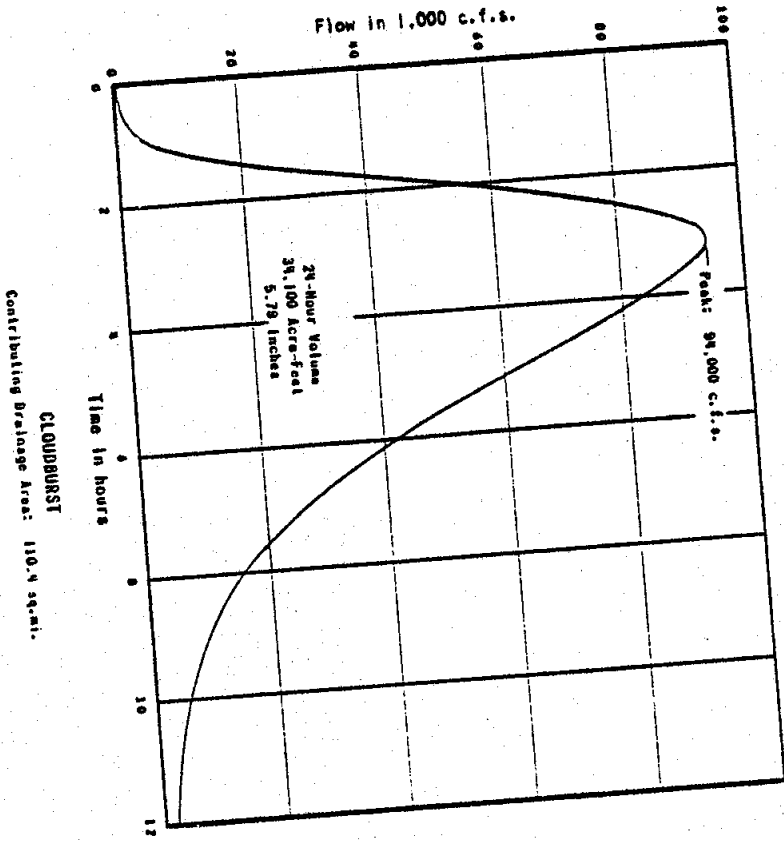
TRUCKEE RIVER AT RENO

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CHART 34



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TRUCKEE RIVER, CALIFORNIA; NEVADA  
**PROBABLE MAXIMUM  
 FLOOD HYDROGRAPHS**  
 Steamboat Creek at  
 Proposed Huffacker Mills  
 Dam Site (Index point 60)  
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