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# CONVERSION FACTORS, ABBREVIATIONS, AND VERTICAL DATUM

Multiply	By	To obtain
<b>Length</b>		
inch (in.)	25.4	millimeter (mm)
foot (ft)	0.3048	meter (m)
mile (mi)	1.609	kilometer (km)
<b>Slope</b>		
foot per mile (ft/mi)	0.1894	meter per kilometer (m/km)
<b>Area</b>		
square mile (mi <sup>2</sup> )	2.590	square kilometer (km <sup>2</sup> )
<b>Volume</b>		
cubic foot (ft <sup>3</sup> )	0.02832	cubic meter (m <sup>3</sup> )
<b>Velocity and Flow</b>		
foot per second (ft/s)	0.3048	meter per second (m/s)
cubic foot per second (ft <sup>3</sup> /s)	0.02832	cubic meter per second (m <sup>3</sup> /s)
cubic foot per second per square mile [(ft <sup>3</sup> /s)/mi <sup>2</sup> ]	0.01093	cubic meter per second per square kilometer [(m <sup>3</sup> /s)/km <sup>2</sup> ]

## OTHER ABBREVIATIONS

BF	bank full	LWW	left wingwall
cfs	cubic feet per second	MC	main channel
D <sub>50</sub>	median diameter of bed material	RAB	right abutment
DS	downstream	RABUT	face of right abutment
elev.	elevation	RB	right bank
f/p	flood plain	ROB	right overbank
ft <sup>2</sup>	square feet	RWW	right wingwall
ft/ft	feet per foot	TH	town highway
JCT	junction	UB	under bridge
LAB	left abutment	US	upstream
LABUT	face of left abutment	USGS	United States Geological Survey
LB	left bank	VT AOT	Vermont Agency of Transportation
LOB	left overbank	WSPRO	water-surface profile model

In this report, the words “right” and “left” refer to directions that would be reported by an observer facing downstream.

Sea level: In this report, “sea level” refers to the National Geodetic Vertical Datum of 1929-- a geodetic datum derived from a general adjustment of the first-order level nets of the United States and Canada, formerly called Sea Level Datum of 1929.

In the appendices, the above abbreviations may be combined. For example, USLB would represent upstream left bank.

# **LEVEL II SCOUR ANALYSIS FOR BRIDGE 39 (STOWTH00160039) ON TOWN HIGHWAY 16, CROSSING MOSS GLEN BROOK, STOWE, VERMONT**

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## **INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY OF RESULTS**

This report provides the results of a detailed Level II analysis of scour potential at structure STOWTH00160039 on Town Highway 16 crossing Moss Glen Brook, Stowe, Vermont (figures 1–8). A Level II study is a basic engineering analysis of the site, including a quantitative analysis of stream stability and scour (U.S. Department of Transportation, 1993). Results of a Level I scour investigation also are included in Appendix E of this report. A Level I investigation provides a qualitative geomorphic characterization of the study site. Information on the bridge, gleaned from Vermont Agency of Transportation (VTAOT) files, was compiled prior to conducting Level I and Level II analyses and is found in Appendix D.

The site is in the Green Mountain section of the New England physiographic province in north-central Vermont. The 4.75-mi<sup>2</sup> drainage area is in a predominantly rural and forested basin. In the vicinity of the study site, the surface cover is forest upstream and on the right bank downstream. The downstream left bank is pasture while the immediate bank has dense woody vegetation.

In the study area, Moss Glen Brook has an incised, sinuous channel with a slope of approximately 0.02 ft/ft, an average channel top width of 52 ft and an average bank height of 7 ft. The channel bed material ranges from sand to cobble with a median grain size ( $D_{50}$ ) of 56.5 mm (0.185 ft). The geomorphic assessment at the time of the Level I and Level II site visit on July 10, 1996, indicated that the reach was stable.

The Town Highway 16 crossing of Moss Glen Brook is a 22-ft-long galvanized plate arch culvert with an opening span width of 21 ft (Vermont Agency of Transportation, written communication, October 13, 1995). The opening length of the structure parallel to the culvert face is 20.6 ft. The culvert is supported by vertical, concrete abutments with no wingwalls. The channel is skewed approximately zero degrees to the opening. The opening skew-to-roadway value from the VTAOT database is 5 degrees while zero degrees was computed from surveyed points.

The only scour counter measure at the site was type-3 stone fill (less than 48 inches diameter) at the upstream and downstream ends of the left and right abutments and extending along the banks upstream and downstream. Additional details describing conditions at the site are included in the Level II Summary and Appendices D and E.

Scour depths and recommended rock rip-rap sizes were computed using the general guidelines described in Hydraulic Engineering Circular 18 (Richardson and others, 1995) for the 100- and 500-year discharges. Total scour at a highway crossing is comprised of three components: 1) long-term streambed degradation; 2) contraction scour (due to accelerated flow caused by a reduction in flow area at a bridge) and; 3) local scour (caused by accelerated flow around piers and abutments). Total scour is the sum of the three components. Equations are available to compute depths for contraction and local scour and a summary of the results of these computations follows.

Contraction scour for all modelled flows ranged from 0.0 to 1.2 ft. The worst-case contraction scour occurred at the 500-year discharge. Left abutment scour ranged from 12.6 to 16.2 ft. Right abutment scour ranged from 12.1 to 14.3 ft. The worst-case abutment scour occurred at the 500-year discharge. Additional information on scour depths and depths to armoring are included in the section titled “Scour Results”. Scoured-streambed elevations, based on the calculated scour depths, are presented in tables 1 and 2. A cross-section of the scour computed at the bridge is presented in figure 8. Scour depths were calculated assuming an infinite depth of erosive material and a homogeneous particle-size distribution.

It is generally accepted that the Froehlich equation (abutment scour) gives “excessively conservative estimates of scour depths” (Richardson and others, 1995, p. 47). Usually, computed scour depths are evaluated in combination with other information including (but not limited to) historical performance during flood events, the geomorphic stability assessment, existing scour protection measures, and the results of the hydraulic analyses. Therefore, scour depths adopted by VTAOT may differ from the computed values documented herein.



Stowe and Mount Worcester, VT. Quadrangle, 1:24,000, 1968



Figure 1. Location of study area on USGS 1:24,000 scale map.



Figure 2. Location of study area on Vermont Agency of Transportation town highway map.





## LEVEL II SUMMARY

<b>Structure Number</b>	STOWTH00160039	<b>Stream</b>	Moss Glen Brook		
<b>County</b>	Lamoille	<b>Road</b>	TH 16	<b>District</b>	6

## Description of Bridge

<b>Bridge length</b>	<u>22</u>	<b>ft</b>	<b>Bridge width</b>	<u>50.5</u>	<b>ft</b>	<b>Max span length</b>	<u>21</u>	<b>ft</b>
<b>Alignment of bridge to road (on curve or straight)</b>			<u>Curve</u>					
<b>Abutment type</b>	<u>Vertical, concrete</u>			<b>Embankment type</b>				
	<u>No</u>			<u>Sloping</u>				
<b>Stone fill on abutment?</b>	<u>No</u>			<b>Date of inspection</b>				
	<u>No</u>			<u>7/10/96</u>				
<b>Description of stone fill abutments.</b>			<u>Type-3, around the upstream and downstream ends of the left and right</u>					

Abutments are concrete. The concrete abutments are supporting a corrugated galvanized plate pipe arch.

	No	0
<i>Is bridge skewed to flood flow according to Yes ' survey?</i>	<i>Angle</i>	

There is a moderate channel bend in the upstream reach.

*Debris accumulation on bridge at time of Level I or Level II site visit:*

	<i>Date of inspection</i>	<i>Percent of channel blocked horizontally</i>	<i>Percent of channel blocked vertically</i>
<i>Level I</i>	7/10/96	0	0
<i>Level II</i>	High. There is debris caught on concrete blocks along the upstream left bank and trees leaning over the channel upstream.		
<i>Potential for debris</i>			

None as of 7/10/96.

*Describe any features near or at the bridge that may affect flow (include observation data)*

## Description of the Geomorphic Setting

**General topography**    The channel is located within a moderate relief valley with narrow flood plains and steep valley walls on both sides.

**Geomorphic conditions at bridge site: downstream (DS), upstream (US)**

**Date of inspection**    7/10/96

**DS left:**    Steep channel bank to a narrow flood plain.

**DS right:**    Steep channel bank to a narrow flood plain.

**US left:**    Moderately sloped channel bank to a narrow flood plain.

**US right:**    Steep channel bank to a narrow flood plain.

## Description of the Channel

<b>Average top width</b>	<u>52</u>	<b>Average depth</b>	<u>7</u>
	<u>#</u> <u>Gravel / Cobbles</u>		<u>#</u> <u>Boulders</u>
<b>Predominant bed material</b>		<b>Bank material</b>	<u>Sinuuous but stable</u>

with non-alluvial channel boundaries and a narrow flood plain.

7/10/96

**Vegetative cover**    Trees and brush with cut grass on the overbank.

**DS left:**    Trees and brush.

**DS right:**    Trees and brush.

**US left:**    Trees and brush.

**US right:**    Yes

**Do banks appear stable?** - if not, describe location and type of instability and

**date of observation.**

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None, 7/10/96.

**Describe any obstructions in channel and date of observation.**

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## Hydrology

**Drainage area** 4.75 **mi<sup>2</sup>**

**Percentage of drainage area in physiographic provinces: (approximate)**

<b>Physiographic province/section</b>	<b>Percent of drainage area</b>
<u>New England/Green Mountain</u>	<u>100</u>

**Is drainage area considered rural or urban?** Rural **Describe any significant urbanization:** -

**Is there a USGS gage on the stream of interest?** No

**USGS gage description** --

**USGS gage number** --

**Gage drainage area** -- **mi<sup>2</sup>** No

**Is there a lake/p** -

<b>Calculated Discharges</b>	
<u>1,190</u>	<u>1,700</u>
<b>Q100</b>	<b>Q500</b>
<b>ft<sup>3</sup>/s</b>	<b>ft<sup>3</sup>/s</b>

The 100- and 500-year discharges are based on the flood frequency estimates for this site available from the VTAOT database. The drainage area above bridge number 39 in the VTAOT database is 4.57 square miles. The discharge values are within a range defined by several empirical flood frequency curves (Benson, 1962; Johnson and Tasker, 1974; FHWA, 1983; Potter, 1957a&b; Talbot, 1887).

## Description of the Water-Surface Profile Model (WSPRO) Analysis

*Datum for WSPRO analysis (USGS survey, sea level, VTAOT plans)* USGS survey

*Datum tie between USGS survey and VTAOT plans* None

*Description of reference marks used to determine USGS datum.* RM1 is a nail 6 ft high in a telephone pole by the edge of TH 16 on the right bank in line with the road over the culvert (elev. 502.62 ft, arbitrary survey datum). RM2 is a bolt on the top left center of the downstream end of the culvert (elev. 496.61 ft, arbitrary survey datum). RM3 is a bolt on the top right center on the upstream end of the culvert (elev. 496.21 ft, arbitrary survey datum).

<sup>1</sup> <i>Cross-section</i>	<i>Section Reference Distance (SRD) in feet</i>	<sup>2</sup> <i>Cross-section development</i>	<i>Comments</i>
EXITX	-22	1	Exit section
FULLV	0	2	Downstream Full-valley section (Templated from EXITX)
APPRO	75	1	Approach section

<sup>1</sup> For location of cross-sections see plan-view sketch included with Level I field form, Appendix E.  
For more detail on how cross-sections were developed see WSPRO input file.

<sup>2</sup> Cross-section development: (1) survey at SRD, (2) shift of survey data to SRD, (3) modification of survey data, (4) composite bridge section, (5) other.

### **Data and Assumptions Used in WSPRO Model**

Hydraulic analyses of the reach were done by use of the Federal Highway Administration's WSPRO step-backwater computer program (Shearman and others, 1986, and Shearman, 1990). The analyses reported herein reflect conditions existing at the site at the time of the study. Furthermore, in the development of the model it was necessary to assume no accumulation of debris or ice at the site. Results of the hydraulic model are presented in the Bridge Hydraulic Summary, Appendix B, and figure 7.

Channel roughness factors (Manning's "n") used in the hydraulic model were estimated using field inspections at each cross section following the general guidelines described by Arcement and Schneider (1989). Final adjustments to the values were made during the modelling of the reach. Channel "n" values for the reach ranged from 0.035 to 0.070, and overbank "n" values ranged from 0.040 to 0.055.

Normal depth at the exit section (EXITX) was assumed as the starting water surface. This depth was computed by use of the slope-conveyance method outlined in the user's manual for WSPRO (Shearman, 1990). The slope used was 0.0153 ft/ft, which was estimated from surveyed thalweg points downstream of the culvert.

The approach section (APPRO) was surveyed one culvert width upstream of the upstream face as recommended by Shearman and others (1986). This location provides a consistent method for determining scour variables.

The unconfined channel was modeled for each discharge by use of WSPRO. Then the water surface elevation computed at the full valley section (FULLV) for each discharge under the unconfined channel condition was applied as the starting water surface elevation for modeling the culvert hydraulics for each discharge.



## Bridge Hydraulics Summary

*Average bridge embankment elevation*      499.8 *ft*  
*Average low steel elevation*      496.7 *ft*

*100-year discharge*      1,190 *ft<sup>3</sup>/s*  
*Water-surface elevation in bridge opening*      492.1 *ft*  
*Road overtopping?*      No      *Discharge over road*      -- *ft<sup>3</sup>/s*  
*Area of flow in bridge opening*      110 *ft<sup>2</sup>*  
*Average velocity in bridge opening*      10.8 *ft/s*  
*Maximum WSPRO tube velocity at bridge*      -- *ft/s*

*Water-surface elevation at Approach section with bridge*      495.4  
*Water-surface elevation at Approach section without bridge*      493.3  
*Amount of backwater caused by bridge*      2.1 *ft*

*500-year discharge*      1,700 *ft<sup>3</sup>/s*  
*Water-surface elevation in bridge opening*      493.1 *ft*  
*Road overtopping?*      No      *Discharge over road*      -- *ft<sup>3</sup>/s*  
*Area of flow in bridge opening*      126 *ft<sup>2</sup>*  
*Average velocity in bridge opening*      13.5 *ft/s*  
*Maximum WSPRO tube velocity at bridge*      -- *ft/s*

*Water-surface elevation at Approach section with bridge*      498.0  
*Water-surface elevation at Approach section without bridge*      494.3  
*Amount of backwater caused by bridge*      3.7 *ft*

*Incipient overtopping discharge*      -- *ft<sup>3</sup>/s*  
*Water-surface elevation in bridge opening*      -- *ft*  
*Area of flow in bridge opening*      -- *ft<sup>2</sup>*  
*Average velocity in bridge opening*      -- *ft/s*  
*Maximum WSPRO tube velocity at bridge*      -- *ft/s*

*Water-surface elevation at Approach section with bridge*      --  
*Water-surface elevation at Approach section without bridge*      --  
*Amount of backwater caused by bridge*      -- *ft*

## **Scour Analysis Summary**

### **Special Conditions or Assumptions Made in Scour Analysis**

Scour depths were computed using the general guidelines described in Hydraulic Engineering Circular 18 (Richardson and others, 1995). Scour depths were calculated assuming an infinite depth of erosive material and a homogeneous particle-size distribution. The results of the scour analysis are presented in tables 1 and 2 and a graph of the scour depths is presented in figure 8.

Contraction scour for the 100-year and 500-year discharges were computed by use of the Laursen clear-water contraction scour equation (Richardson and others, 1995, p. 32, equation 20). The streambed armoring depths computed suggest that armoring will not limit the depth of contraction scour.

Abutment scour was computed by use of the Froehlich equation (Richardson and others, 1995, p. 48, equation 28). Variables for the Froehlich equation include the Froude number of the flow approaching the embankments, the length of the embankment blocking flow, and the depth of flow approaching the embankment less any roadway overtopping.

## Scour Results

<i>Contraction scour:</i>	<i>100-yr discharge</i>	<i>500-yr discharge</i>	<i>Incipient overtopping discharge</i>
	<i>(Scour depths in feet)</i>		
<i>Main channel</i>			
<i>Live-bed scour</i>	--	--	--
	0.0	1.2	--
<i>Clear-water scour</i>	10.8	23.6	--
<i>Depth to armoring</i>	--	--	--
<i>Left overbank</i>	--	--	--
<i>Right overbank</i>	--	--	--
<i>Local scour:</i>			
<i>Abutment scour</i>	12.6	16.2	--
<i>Left abutment</i>	12.1	14.3	--
<i>Right abutment</i>			
<i>Pier scour</i>	--	--	--
<i>Pier 1</i>	--	--	--
<i>Pier 2</i>	--	--	--
<i>Pier 3</i>			

## Riprap Sizing

	<i>100-yr discharge</i>	<i>500-yr discharge</i>	<i>Incipient overtopping discharge</i>
	<i>(D<sub>50</sub> in feet)</i>		
<i>Abutments:</i>	2.2	2.9	--
<i>Left abutment</i>	2.2	2.9	--
<i>Right abutment</i>	--	--	--
<i>Piers:</i>	--	--	--
<i>Pier 1</i>	--	--	--
<i>Pier 2</i>	--	--	--

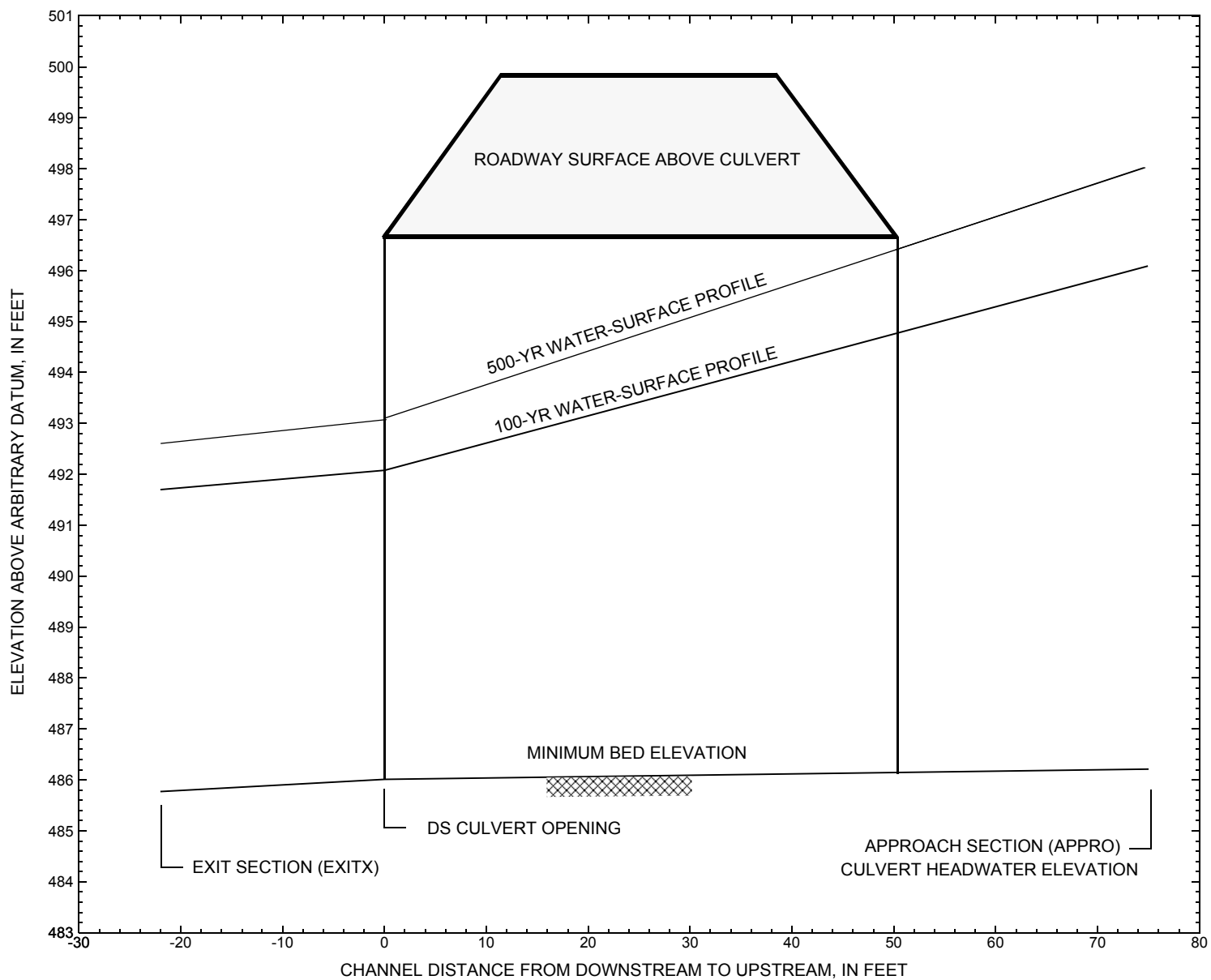


Figure 7. Water-surface profiles for the 100- and 500-yr discharges at structure STOWTH00160039 on Town Highway 16, crossing Moss Glen Brook, Stowe, Vermont.

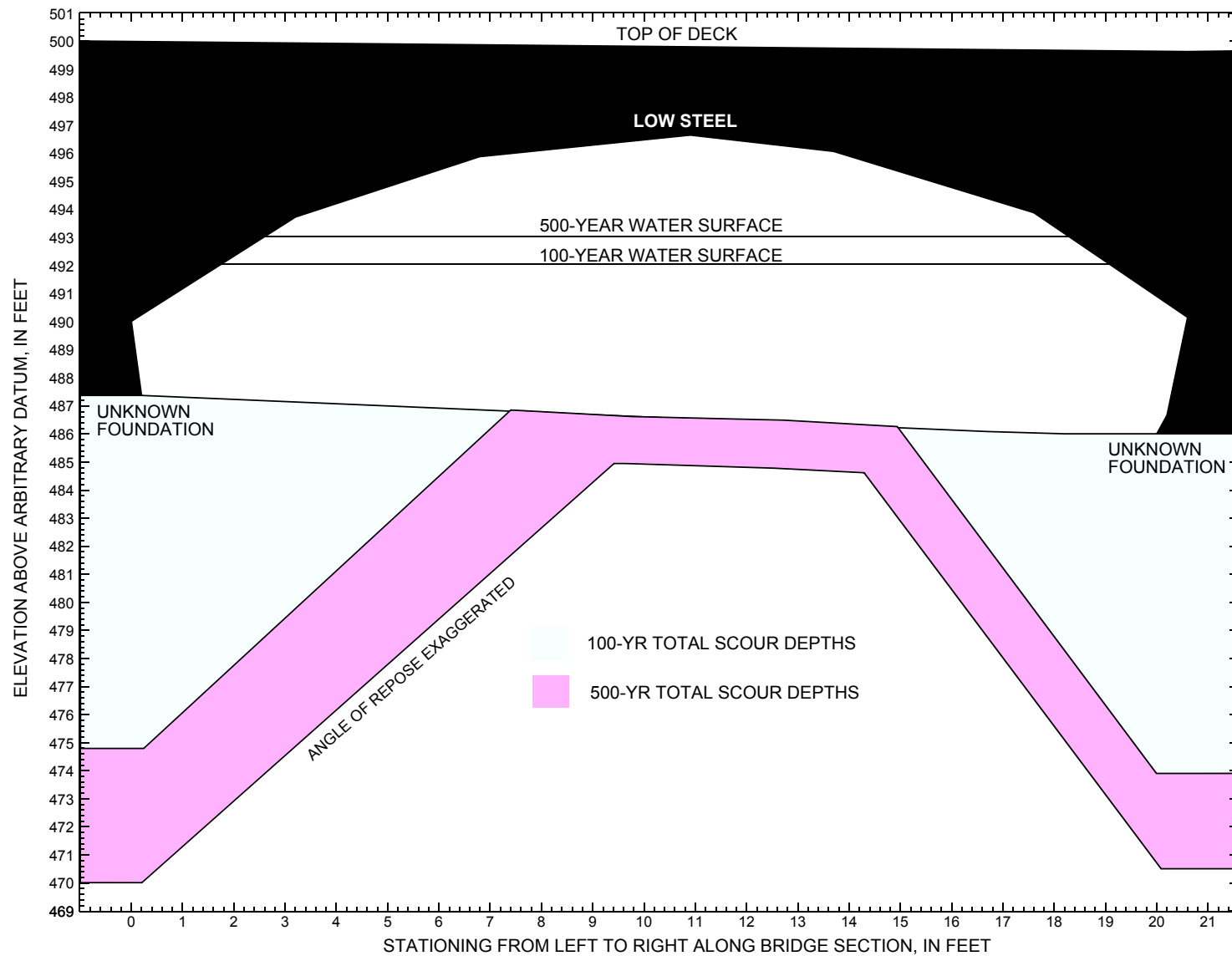


Figure 8. Scour elevations for the 100-yr and 500-yr discharges at structure STOWTH00160039 on Town Highway 16, crossing Moss Glen Brook, Stowe, Vermont.

**Table 1.** Remaining footing/pile depth at abutments for the 100-year discharge at structure STOWTH00160039 on Town Highway 16, crossing Moss Glen Brook, Stowe, Vermont.

[VTAOT, Vermont Agency of Transportation; --, no data]

Description	Station <sup>1</sup>	VTAOT minimum low-chord elevation (feet)	Surveyed minimum low-chord elevation <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Bottom of footing/pile elevation <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Channel elevation at abutment/pier <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Contraction scour depth (feet)	Abutment scour depth (feet)	Pier scour depth (feet)	Depth of total scour (feet)	Elevation of scour <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Remaining footing/pile depth (feet)
100-yr. discharge is 1,190 cubic-feet per second											
Left abutment	0.0	--	496.7	--	487.4	0.0	12.6	--	12.6	474.8	--
Right abutment	20.6	--	496.7	--	486.0	0.0	12.1	--	12.1	473.9	--

1. Measured along the face of the most constricting side of the bridge.

2. Arbitrary datum for this study.

**Table 2.** Remaining footing/pile depth at abutments for the 500-year discharge at structure STOWTH00160039 on Town Highway 16, crossing Moss Glen Brook, Stowe, Vermont.

[VTAOT, Vermont Agency of Transportation; --, no data]

Description	Station <sup>1</sup>	VTAOT minimum low-chord elevation (feet)	Surveyed minimum low-chord elevation <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Bottom of footing/pile elevation <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Channel elevation at abutment/pier <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Contraction scour depth (feet)	Abutment scour depth (feet)	Pier scour depth (feet)	Depth of total scour (feet)	Elevation of scour <sup>2</sup> (feet)	Remaining footing/pile depth (feet)
500-yr. discharge is 1,700 cubic-feet per second											
Left abutment	0.0	--	496.7	--	487.4	1.2	16.2	--	17.4	470.0	--
Right abutment	20.6	--	496.7	--	486.0	1.2	14.3	--	15.5	470.5	--

1. Measured along the face of the most constricting side of the bridge.

2. Arbitrary datum for this study.

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APPENDIX A:

**WSPRO INPUT FILE**



# WSPRO INPUT FILE

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T2      Hydraulic analysis for structure STOWTH00160039   Date: 15-AUG-97
T3      Arch Culvert 39 on Town Highway 16 over Moss Glen Brook Stowe, VT   MAI
*
*      6 29 30 552 553 551 5 16 17 13 3 * 15 14 23 21 11 12 4 7 3
*
Q      1190.0    1700.0
SK      0.0153    0.0153
*
XS      EXITX      -22
GR      -211.6, 508.15    -182.1, 501.52    -145.5, 494.82    -77.1, 494.18
GR      -55.9, 492.59    -8.7, 491.73      0.0, 489.63      5.2, 486.64
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GR      142.7, 502.29
N      0.040      0.054      0.045
SA      -8.7      38.2
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XS      FULLV      0 * * * 0.0109
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XS      APPRO      75
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HP 2 APPRO 495.37 * * 1190
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HP 1 APPRO 498.01 1 498.01
HP 2 APPRO 498.01 * * 1700
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EX
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## Culvert Analysis

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T2      STOWTH00160039
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WS      492.11    493.08
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CV      CULVT      0 11 50 486.01 486.02
CG      327 128 251
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APPENDIX B:

**WSPRO OUTPUT FILE**

# WSPRO OUTPUT FILE

U.S. Geological Survey WSPRO Input File stow039.wsp  
 Hydraulic analysis for structure STOWTH00160039 Date: 15-AUG-97  
 Arch Culvert 39 on Town Highway 16 over Moss Glen Brook Stowe, VT MAI  
 \*\*\* RUN DATE & TIME: 11-06-97 15:22

CROSS-SECTION PROPERTIES: ISEQ = 3; SECID = APPRO; SRD = 75.

WSEL	SA#	AREA	K	TOPW	WETP	ALPH	LEW	REW	QCR
	1	101	5656	33	34				995
	2	294	21780	42	45				4412
495.37		395	27436	76	79	1.04	-37	38	5037

VELOCITY DISTRIBUTION: ISEQ = 3; SECID = APPRO; SRD = 75.

	WSEL	LEW	REW	AREA	K	Q	VEL
	495.37	-37.9	37.7	395.1	27436.	1190.	3.01

X STA.	-37.9	-21.3	-14.5	-9.2	-5.0	-1.3
A(I)	33.3	23.7	21.7	19.9	21.6	
V(I)	1.78	2.52	2.74	2.98	2.76	

X STA.	-1.3	1.1	3.1	5.0	6.8	8.4
A(I)	18.2	16.4	16.4	15.8	15.2	
V(I)	3.27	3.63	3.63	3.77	3.91	

X STA.	8.4	10.2	11.9	13.7	15.6	17.5
A(I)	15.7	15.6	16.1	16.7	16.6	
V(I)	3.78	3.82	3.70	3.57	3.58	

X STA.	17.5	19.6	21.7	24.3	27.4	37.7
A(I)	17.6	18.1	19.9	22.3	34.3	
V(I)	3.39	3.28	2.99	2.67	1.73	

CROSS-SECTION PROPERTIES: ISEQ = 3; SECID = APPRO; SRD = 75.

WSEL	SA#	AREA	K	TOPW	WETP	ALPH	LEW	REW	QCR
	1	202	14616	45	46				2415
	2	411	35530	46	50				6956
498.01		612	50145	91	96	1.02	-49	42	8913

VELOCITY DISTRIBUTION: ISEQ = 3; SECID = APPRO; SRD = 75.

	WSEL	LEW	REW	AREA	K	Q	VEL
	498.01	-49.7	41.6	612.4	50145.	1700.	2.78

X STA.	-49.7	-27.8	-21.3	-16.1	-11.5	-7.5
A(I)	53.6	36.2	31.5	29.9	28.4	
V(I)	1.59	2.35	2.70	2.85	2.99	

X STA.	-7.5	-3.8	-0.5	1.9	4.2	6.4
A(I)	27.6	30.6	25.5	25.0	24.5	
V(I)	3.08	2.78	3.34	3.40	3.47	

X STA.	6.4	8.4	10.5	12.6	14.8	17.1
A(I)	24.2	24.2	24.2	25.7	25.6	
V(I)	3.51	3.51	3.51	3.30	3.32	

X STA.	17.1	19.5	22.1	25.1	28.8	41.6
A(I)	27.1	28.1	31.0	35.2	54.1	
V(I)	3.14	3.02	2.74	2.41	1.57	

# WSPRO OUTPUT FILE (continued)

U.S. Geological Survey WSPRO Input File stow039.wsp  
 Hydraulic analysis for structure STOWTH00160039 Date: 15-AUG-97  
 Arch Culvert 39 on Town Highway 16 over Moss Glen Brook Stowe, VT MAI  
 \*\*\* RUN DATE & TIME: 11-06-97 15:22

XSID:CODE	SRDL	LEW	AREA	VHD	HF	EGL	CRWS	Q	WSEL
SRD	FLEN	REW	K	ALPH	HO	ERR	FR#	VEL	
EXITX:XS	*****	-8	151	0.96	*****	492.67	490.76	1190	491.70
-21	*****	32	9613	1.00	*****	*****	0.72	7.87	
FULLV:XS	22	-15	159	0.88	0.32	492.99	*****	1190	492.11
0	22	32	10282	1.01	0.00	0.01	0.73	7.50	

===135 CONVEYANCE RATIO OUTSIDE OF RECOMMENDED LIMITS.  
 "APPRO" KRATIO = 1.42

APPRO:XS	75	-30	250	0.38	0.71	493.69	*****	1190	493.32
75	75	35	14636	1.08	0.00	0.00	0.44	4.75	

XSID:CODE	SRDL	LEW	AREA	VHD	HF	EGL	CRWS	Q	WSEL
SRD	FLEN	REW	K	ALPH	HO	ERR	FR#	VEL	
EXITX:XS	*****	-54	206	1.18	*****	493.75	491.78	1700	492.57
-21	*****	33	13735	1.12	*****	*****	1.00	8.25	

===125 FR# EXCEEDS FNTEST AT SECID "FULLV": TRIALS CONTINUED.  
 FNTEST,FR#,WSEL,CRWS = 0.80 0.88 493.07 492.02

===110 WSEL NOT FOUND AT SECID "FULLV": REDUCED DELTAY.  
 WSLIM1,WSLIM2,DELTAY = 492.07 508.39 0.50

===115 WSEL NOT FOUND AT SECID "FULLV": USED WSMIN = CRWS.  
 WSLIM1,WSLIM2,CRWS = 492.07 508.39 492.02

FULLV:XS	22	-58	230	0.97	0.30	494.04	492.02	1700	493.08
0	22	34	15486	1.14	0.00	-0.01	0.88	7.38	
APPRO:XS	75	-33	314	0.48	0.70	494.74	*****	1700	494.26
75	75	36	19936	1.06	0.00	-0.01	0.46	5.41	

Culvert bridge # 39 on Moss Glen Brook in Stowe, VT  
 STOWTH00160039

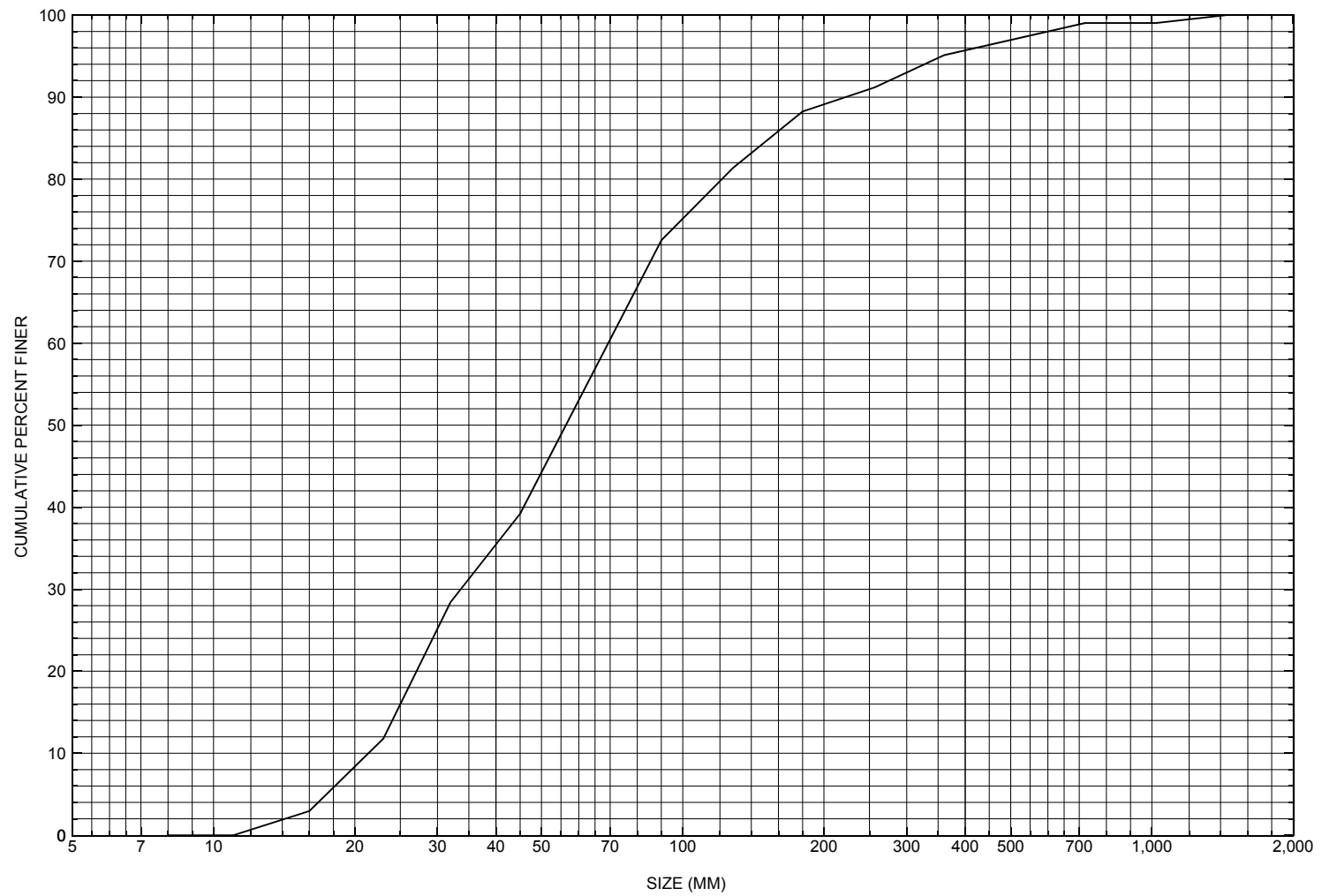
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## CULVERT SUMMARY:

ISHAPE	RISE	SPAN	BOTRAD	TOPRAD	CORNER
3	128.00	251.00	434.38	125.59	18.00
IEQNO	CKE	CN	CVALPH	CVLENG	CVSLPE
12	0.50	0.035	1.16	50.00	0.0002
TWDEP	QBBL	HWIC	HWOC	OTFULL	
6.10	1190.00	8.33	9.36	-2.36	
DSUBC	ASUBC	DSUBN	ASUBN		
5.38	97.53	10.67	165.76		
VELOT	AOUT	VELIN	AIN	HWE	
10.79	110.33	9.43	126.15	495.37	

APPENDIX C:

**BED-MATERIAL PARTICLE-SIZE DISTRIBUTION**



Appendix C. Bed material particle-size distribution for a pebble count in the channel approach of structure STOWTH00160039, in Stowe, Vermont.

APPENDIX D:  
**HISTORICAL DATA FORM**



Structure Number STOWTH00160039

### General Location Descriptive

Data collected by (First Initial, Full last name) L. Medalie

Date (MM/DD/YY) 10 / 13 / 95

Highway District Number (I - 2; nn) 06

County (FIPS county code; I - 3; nnn) 015

Town (FIPS place code; I - 4; nnnnn) 70525

Mile marker (I - 11; nnn.nnn) 000000

Waterway (I - 6) MOSS GLEN BROOK

Road Name (I - 7): MOSS GLEN FALLS RD

Route Number C3016

Vicinity (I - 9) 0.55 MI TO JCT W CL2 TH2

Topographic Map Stowe

Hydrologic Unit Code: 02010005

Latitude (I - 16; nnnn.n) 44291

Longitude (I - 17; nnnnn.n) 72375

### Select Federal Inventory Codes

FHWA Structure Number (I - 8) 10080800390808

Maintenance responsibility (I - 21; nn) 03

Maximum span length (I - 48; nnnn) 0021

Year built (I - 27; YYYY) 1982

Structure length (I - 49; nnnnnn) 000022

Average daily traffic, ADT (I - 29; nnnnnn) 000100

Deck Width (I - 52; nn.n) 000

Year of ADT (I - 30; YY) 93

Channel & Protection (I - 61; n) 5

Opening skew to Roadway (I - 34; nn) 05

Waterway adequacy (I - 71; n) 6

Operational status (I - 41; X) A

Underwater Inspection Frequency (I - 92B; XYY) N

Structure type (I - 43; nnn) 319

Year Reconstructed (I - 106) 0000

Approach span structure type (I - 44; nnn) 000

Clear span (nnn.n ft) -

Number of spans (I - 45; nnn) 001

Vertical clearance from streambed (nnn.n ft) -

Number of approach spans (I - 46; nnnn) 0000

Waterway of full opening (nnn.n ft<sup>2</sup>) 135

#### Comments:

According to the structural inspection report dated 6/7/95, the structure is a corrugated galvanized plate pipe arch. The roadway over it is gravel surfaced with a sharp corner onto the RABUT side. The channel is scoured down to the bottom of the footing at the inlet on the LABUT side. The embankments are eroded US, with boulders showing. Small and minor gravel bars are noted. Debris is mostly minor at present. Stone fill is good at the arch ends, but partially slid into channel at the inlet on the right side, blocking 1/3 of flow. The free poured concrete footing exposed near the outlet end on the right side is spalled with section loss plus a voided area at the very end. (Continued, page 32)



## Bridge Hydrologic Data

Is there hydrologic data available? Y if No, type ctrl-n h VTAOT Drainage area ( $mi^2$ ): 4.57

Terrain character: -

Stream character & type: -

Streambed material: -

Discharge Data (cfs):  
 $Q_{2.33}$  -  $Q_{10}$  560  $Q_{25}$  820  
 $Q_{50}$  990  $Q_{100}$  1190  $Q_{500}$  -

Record flood date (MM/DD/YY): - / - / - Water surface elevation (ft): -

Estimated Discharge (cfs): - Velocity at Q - (ft/s): -

Ice conditions (Heavy, Moderate, Light): - Debris (Heavy, Moderate, Light): -

The stage increases to maximum highwater elevation (Rapidly, Not rapidly): -

The stream response is (Flashy, Not flashy): -

Describe any significant site conditions upstream or downstream that may influence the stream's stage: **A report dated 12/29/82 mentions a rather large beaver dam just US of the site that has apparently caused a complete shift in the course of the stream, adding to the unstableness of the channel bed.**

Watershed storage area (in percent): - %

The watershed storage area is: - (1-mainly at the headwaters; 2- uniformly distributed; 3-immediatly upstream of the site)

### Water Surface Elevation Estimates for Existing Structure:

Peak discharge frequency	$Q_{2.33}$	$Q_{10}$	$Q_{25}$	$Q_{50}$	$Q_{100}$
Water surface elevation (ft)	-	5.5	6.7	7.8	9
Velocity (ft/sec)	-	-	-	-	-

Long term stream bed changes: -

Is the roadway overtopped below the  $Q_{100}$ ? (Yes, No, Unknown): U Frequency: -

Relief Elevation (ft): - Discharge over roadway at  $Q_{100}$  ( $ft^3/sec$ ): -

Are there other structures nearby? (Yes, No, Unknown): U If No or Unknown, type ctrl-n os

Upstream distance (miles): - Town: - Year Built: -

Highway No. : - Structure No. : - Structure Type: -

Clear span (ft): - Clear Height (ft): - Full Waterway ( $ft^2$ ): -

Downstream distance (*miles*): - \_\_\_\_\_ Town: - \_\_\_\_\_ Year Built: - \_\_\_\_\_  
Highway No. : - \_\_\_\_\_ Structure No. : - \_\_\_\_\_ Structure Type: - \_\_\_\_\_  
Clear span (*ft*): - \_\_\_\_\_ Clear Height (*ft*): - \_\_\_\_\_ Full Waterway (*ft*<sup>2</sup>): - \_\_\_\_\_

Comments:

**There are small areas of erosion at the inlet end of the arch. There is 4-5 ft of cover over the pipe. The pipe has a slight reverse camber.**

## USGS Watershed Data

### Watershed Hydrographic Data

Drainage area (*DA*) 4.75 mi<sup>2</sup> Lake/pond/swamp area 0 mi<sup>2</sup>  
Watershed storage (*ST*) 0 %  
Bridge site elevation 820 ft Headwater elevation 2500 ft  
Main channel length 4.23 mi  
10% channel length elevation 950 ft 85% channel length elevation 2400 ft  
Main channel slope (*S*) 457.05 ft / mi

### Watershed Precipitation Data

Average site precipitation - \_\_\_\_\_ in Average headwater precipitation - \_\_\_\_\_ in  
Maximum 2yr-24hr precipitation event (*I*(24,2)) - \_\_\_\_\_ in  
Average seasonal snowfall (*Sn*) - \_\_\_\_\_ ft

## Bridge Plan Data

Are plans available? N *If no, type ctrl-n pl* Date issued for construction (MM / YYYY): - / -

Project Number - Minimum channel bed elevation: -

Low superstructure elevation: USLAB - DSLAB - USRAB - DSRAB -

Benchmark location description:

**NO BENCKMARK INFORMATION**

Reference Point (MSL, Arbitrary, Other): - Datum (NAD27, NAD83, Other): -

Foundation Type: 4 (1-Spreadfooting; 2-Pile; 3- Gravity; 4-Unknown)

If 1: Footing Thickness - Footing bottom elevation: -

If 2: Pile Type: - (1-Wood; 2-Steel or metal; 3-Concrete) Approximate pile driven length: -

If 3: Footing bottom elevation: -

Is boring information available? N *If no, type ctrl-n bi* Number of borings taken: -

Foundation Material Type: 3 (1-regolith, 2-bedrock, 3-unknown)

Briefly describe material at foundation bottom elevation or around piles:

**NO DRILL BORING INFORMATION**

Comments:

-

## Cross-sectional Data

Is cross-sectional data available? N    *If no, type ctrl-n xs*

Source (FEMA, VTAOT, Other)? -

Comments: **NO CROSS SECTIONAL INFORMATION**

Station		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feature	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bed elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord-bed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Station	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feature	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bed elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord-bed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Source (FEMA, VTAOT, Other)? -

Comments: -

Station		-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feature	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bed elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord-bed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Station	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feature	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Bed elevation	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Low chord-bed	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

APPENDIX E:

**LEVEL I DATA FORM**



Structure Number STOWTH00160039

Qa/Qc Check by: RB Date: 10/21/96

Computerized by: RB Date: 10/22/96

Reviewed by: MAI Date: 9/9/97

### A. General Location Descriptive

1. Data collected by (First Initial, Full last name) R. HAMMOND Date (MM/DD/YY) 07 / 10 / 1996
2. Highway District Number 06 Mile marker 00000
- County LAMOILLE (015) Town STOWE (70525)
- Waterway (I - 6) MOSS GLEN BROOK Road Name MOSS GLEN FALLS RD
- Route Number TH 16 Hydrologic Unit Code: 02010003
3. Descriptive comments:  
**Located 0.55 miles from the junction with CL2 TH2.**

### B. Bridge Deck Observations

4. Surface cover... LBUS 6 RBUS 6 LBDS 4 RBDS 6 Overall 6  
(2b us,ds,lb,rb: 1- Urban; 2- Suburban; 3- Row crops; 4- Pasture; 5- Shrub- and brushland; 6- Forest; 7- Wetland)
5. Ambient water surface... US 1 UB 1 DS 2 (1- pool; 2- riffle)
6. Bridge structure type 3 (1- single span; 2- multiple span; 3- single arch; 4- multiple arch; 5- cylindrical culvert; 6- box culvert; or 7- other)
7. Bridge length 22 (feet) Span length 21 (feet) Bridge width 50.5 (feet)

#### Road approach to bridge:

8. LB 2 RB 1 (0 even, 1- lower, 2- higher)

9. LB 2 RB 2 (1- Paved, 2- Not paved)

10. Embankment slope (run / rise in feet / foot):

US left -- US right --

	Protection		13.Erosion	14.Severity
	11.Type	12.Cond.		
LBUS	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>
RBUS	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
RBDS	<u>2</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>
LBDS	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-</u>

Bank protection types: 0- none; 1- < 12 inches;  
2- < 36 inches; 3- < 48 inches;  
4- < 60 inches; 5- wall / artificial levee

Bank protection conditions: 1- good; 2- slumped;  
3- eroded; 4- failed

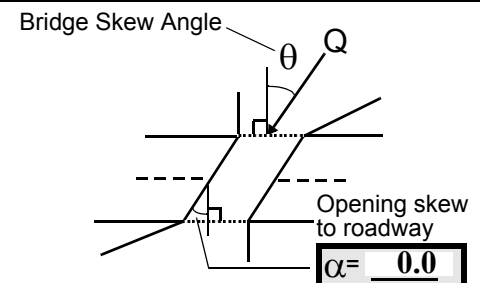
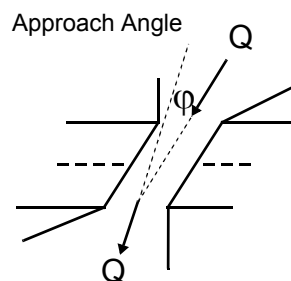
Erosion: 0 - none; 1- channel erosion; 2-  
road wash; 3- both; 4- other

Erosion Severity: 0 - none; 1- slight; 2- moderate;  
3- severe

#### Channel approach to bridge (BF):

15. Angle of approach: 0

16. Bridge skew: 0



17. Channel impact zone 1: Exist? Y (Y or N)

Where? LB (LB, RB) Severity 2

Range? 5 feet US (US, UB, DS) to 10 feet US

Channel impact zone 2: Exist? Y (Y or N)

Where? LB (LB, RB) Severity 2

Range? 8 feet DS (US, UB, DS) to 50 feet DS

Impact Severity: 0- none to very slight; 1- Slight; 2- Moderate; 3- Severe

18. Bridge Type: 1b

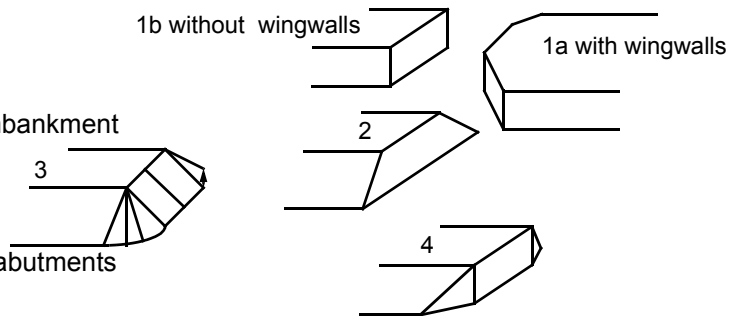
1a- Vertical abutments with wingwalls

1b- Vertical abutments without wingwalls

2- Vertical abutments and wingwalls, sloping embankment  
Wingwalls parallel to abut. face

3- Spill through abutments

4- Sloping embankment, vertical wingwalls and abutments  
Wingwall angle less than 90°.



19. Bridge Deck Comments (surface cover variations, measured bridge and span lengths, bridge type variations, approach overflow width, etc.)

4. The DS left bank is a lawn and the DS right bank is intersected by Moss Glenn Falls Road.

5. The upstream water surface is a series of small pools and riffles.

6. This is a multi-plate pipe arch set in concrete footings.

8. The road slopes gradually from the culvert in both directions.

15. The flow is straight from the approach cross section through the culvert to the exit section, but it bends just US and just DS of this straight section.

17. At high flows, water will impact both sides of the culvert opening. Also, a moderately severe third impact zone exists on the right bank from 120 ft US to 90 ft US.

### C. Upstream Channel Assessment

21. Bank height (BF)		22. Bank angle (BF)		26. % Veg. cover (BF)		27. Bank material (BF)		28. Bank erosion (BF)			
20. SRD	LB	RB	LB	RB	LB	RB	LB	RB	LB	RB	
24.5	3.0			11.0	3	2	5	5	1	2	
23. Bank width		30.0	24. Channel width		25.0	25. Thalweg depth		56.0	29. Bed Material		342
30. Bank protection type:		LB	3	RB	3	31. Bank protection condition:		LB	1	RB	2

SRD - Section ref. dist. to US face % Vegetation (Veg) cover: 1- 0 to 25%; 2- 26 to 50%; 3- 51 to 75%; 4- 76 to 100%

Bed and bank Material: 0- organics; 1- silt / clay, < 1/16mm; 2- sand, 1/16 - 2mm; 3- gravel, 2 - 64mm;

4- cobble, 64 - 256mm; 5- boulder, > 256mm; 6- bedrock; 7- manmade

Bank Erosion: 0- not evident; 1- light fluvial; 2- moderate fluvial; 3- heavy fluvial / mass wasting

Bank protection types: 0- absent; 1- < 12 inches; 2- < 36 inches; 3- < 48 inches; 4- < 60 inches; 5- wall / artificial levee

Bank protection conditions: 1- good; 2- slumped; 3- eroded; 4- failed

32. Comments (bank material variation, minor inflows, protection extent, etc.):

27. Both banks consist of large placed boulders and concrete blocks.

28. On the right bank, there is some mass wasting but it is not threatening to the road or culvert.

29. The sand in the bed fills the voids between the larger materials.

30. The left and right bank protection extends from the US bridge face to 100 ft US.

31. On the right bank some of the protection is eroded and slumping.

33. Point/Side bar present? Y (Y or N. if N type ctrl-n pb) 34. Mid-bar distance: 12 35. Mid-bar width: 10  
 36. Point bar extent: 35 feet US (US, UB) to UB feet 50 (US, UB, DS) positioned 10 %LB to 0 %RB  
 37. Material: 324  
 38. Point or side bar comments (Circle Point or Side; Note additional bars, material variation, status, etc.):  
**This point bar extends into the culvert.**

39. Is a cut-bank present? Y (Y or if N type ctrl-n cb) 40. Where? RB (LB or RB)  
 41. Mid-bank distance: 50 42. Cut bank extent: 0 feet US (US, UB) to 100 feet US (US, UB, DS)  
 43. Bank damage: 2 ( 1- eroded and/or creep; 2- slip failure; 3- block failure)  
 44. Cut bank comments (eg. additional cut banks, protection condition, etc.):  
**This cut bank is a high water cut that is eroded with some slumping. Another very minor low water cut is on the left bank from 20 ft to 30 ft US.**

45. Is channel scour present? N (Y or if N type ctrl-n cs) 46. Mid-scour distance: -  
 47. Scour dimensions: Length - Width - Depth : - Position - %LB to - %RB  
 48. Scour comments (eg. additional scour areas, local scouring process, etc.):

#### NO CHANNEL SCOUR

**Some minor scour holes are behind boulders in the channel. The maximum scour depth is 1.5 ft.**

49. Are there major confluences? N (Y or if N type ctrl-n mc) 50. How many? -  
 51. Confluence 1: Distance - 52. Enters on - (LB or RB) 53. Type - ( 1- perennial; 2- ephemeral)  
 Confluence 2: Distance - Enters on - (LB or RB) Type - ( 1- perennial; 2- ephemeral)  
 54. Confluence comments (eg. confluence name):  
**NO MAJOR CONFLUENCES**

### D. Under Bridge Channel Assessment

55. Channel restraint (BF)? LB 2 (1- natural bank; 2- abutment; 3- artificial levee)

56. Height (BF)	57. Angle (BF)	61. Material (BF)	62. Erosion (BF)
LB RB	LB RB	LB RB	LB RB
<u>26.5</u>	<u>1.0</u>	<u>2</u> <u>7</u>	<u>7</u> <u>0</u>
58. Bank width (BF) -	59. Channel width -	60. Thalweg depth <u>90.0</u>	63. Bed Material <u>0</u>

**Bed and bank Material: 0- organics; 1- silt / clay, < 1/16mm; 2- sand, 1/16 - 2mm; 3- gravel, 2 - 64mm; 4- cobble, 64 - 256mm; 5- boulder, > 256mm; 6- bedrock; 7- manmade**

**Bank Erosion: 0- not evident; 1- light fluvial; 2- moderate fluvial; 3- heavy fluvial / mass wasting**

64. Comments (bank material variation, minor inflows, protection extent, etc.):  
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**63. The stream bed grades from gravel and sand at the US face to gravel and cobble at the DS face. Sand fills the voids between the larger particles and is more extensive at the US right corner of the bridge where the US point bar ends.**



65. **Debris and Ice** Is there debris accumulation? \_\_\_\_ (Y or N) 66. Where? Y (1- Upstream; 2- At bridge; 3- Both)  
 67. Debris Potential 3 ( 1- Low; 2- Moderate; 3- High) 68. Capture Efficiency 3 ( 1- Low; 2- Moderate; 3- High)  
 69. Is there evidence of ice build-up? 3 (Y or N) Ice Blockage Potential N ( 1- Low; 2- Moderate; 3- High)  
 70. Debris and Ice Comments:

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**There is a lot of debris on the large concrete blocks along the left bank US. There is also some small debris buried in the point bar inside the culvert.**

<u>Abutments</u>	71. Attack ∠(BF)	72. Slope (Qmax)	73. Toe loc. (BF)	74. Scour Condition	75. Scour depth	76. Exposure depth	77. Material	78. Length
LABUT		0	90	2	2	0.4	0.9	90.0
RABUT	1	0	90			2	2	20.5

Pushed: LB or RB

Toe Location (Loc.): 0- even, 1- set back, 2- protrudes

Scour cond.: 0- not evident; 1- evident (comment); 2- footing exposed; 3- undermined footing; 4- piling exposed;  
 5- settled; 6- failed

Materials: 1- Concrete; 2- Stone masonry or drywall; 3- steel or metal; 4- wood

79. Abutment comments (eg. undermined penetration, unusual scour processes, debris, etc.):

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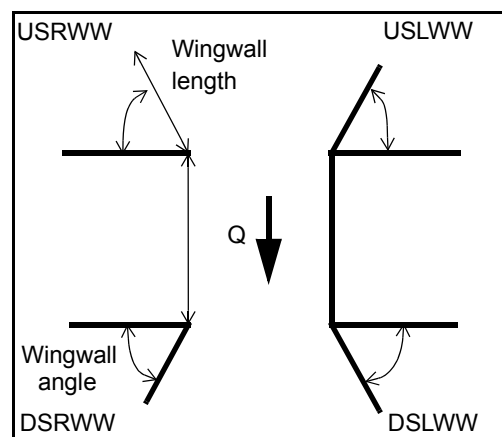
**74. The US end of the left abutment footing is exposed. The DS end of the right abutment footing is exposed. The spread base of the footing is undermined 0.4 ft horizontally. Also, the DS end of the right abutment footing has broken off and is missing.**

## 80. Wingwalls:

	Exist?	Material?	Scour Condition?	Scour depth?	Exposure depth?
USLWW:					
USRWW:	N		-		-
DSLWW:	-		-		N
DSRWW:	-		-		-

81. Angle?	Length?
20.5	
0.5	
50.0	
50.0	

Wingwall materials: 1- Concrete; 2- Stone masonry or drywall; 3- steel or metal;  
 4- wood



## 82. Bank / Bridge Protection:

Location	USLWW	USRWW	LABUT	RABUT	LB	RB	DSLWW	DSRWW
Type	-	-	N	-	-	-	1	1
Condition	N	-	-	-	-	-	4	4
Extent	-	-	-	-	-	3	3	-

Bank / Bridge protection types: 0- absent; 1- < 12 inches; 2- < 36 inches; 3- < 48 inches; 4- < 60 inches;  
 5- wall / artificial levee

Bank / Bridge protection conditions: 1- good; 2- slumped; 3- eroded; 4- failed

Protection extent: 1- entire base length; 2- US end; 3- DS end; 4- other

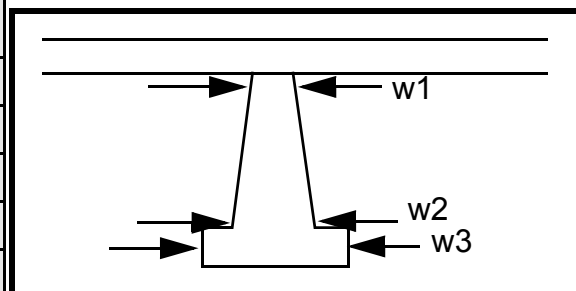
83. Wingwall and protection comments (eg. undermined penetration, unusual scour processes, etc.):

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## Piers:

84. Are there piers? 82. (Y or if N type ctrl-n pr)

85. Pier no.	width (w) feet			elevation (e) feet		
	w1	w2	w3	e@w1	e@w2	e@w3
Pier 1	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pier 2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pier 3	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pier 4	-	-	-	-	-	-



Level 1 Pier Descr.	1	2	3	4
86. Location (BF)	<b>The</b>	<b>and DS</b>		-
87. Type	<b>left</b>	<b>ends</b>		-
88. Material	<b>and</b>	<b>of</b>		-
89. Shape	<b>right</b>	<b>the</b>		-
90. Inclined?	<b>abut</b>	<b>abut</b>		-
91. Attack ∠ (BF)	<b>ment</b>	<b>ment</b>	<b>N</b>	-
92. Pushed	<b>pro-</b>	<b>s.</b>	-	-
93. Length (feet)	-	-	-	-
94. # of piles	<b>tec-</b>		-	-
95. Cross-members	<b>tion</b>		-	-
96. Scour Condition	<b>is at</b>		-	-
97. Scour depth	<b>the</b>		-	-
98. Exposure depth	<b>US</b>		-	-

*LFP, LTB, LB, MCL, MCM, MCR, RB, RTB, RFP*

*1- Solid pier, 2- column, 3- bent*

*1- Wood; 2- concrete; 3- metal; 4- stone*

*1- Round; 2- Square; 3- Pointed*

*Y- yes; N- no*

*LB or RB*

*0- none; 1- laterals; 2- diagonals; 3- both*

*0- not evident; 1- evident (comment);  
2- footing exposed; 3- piling exposed;  
4- undermined footing; 5- settled; 6- failed*

99. Pier comments (eg. undermined penetration, protection and protection extent, unusual scour processes, etc.):

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### E. Downstream Channel Assessment

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SRD	Bank height (BF)		Bank angle (BF)		% Veg. cover (BF)		Bank material (BF)		Bank erosion (BF)		
	LB	RB	LB	RB	LB	RB	LB	RB	LB	RB	
-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Bank width (BF)		-		Channel width		-		Thalweg depth		-	
Bank protection type (Qmax):		LB		-		RB		-		Bank protection condition: LB - RB -	

SRD - Section ref. dist. to US face      % Vegetation (Veg) cover: 1- 0 to 25%; 2- 26 to 50%; 3- 51 to 75%; 4- 76 to 100%  
Bed and bank Material: 0- organics; 1- silt / clay, < 1/16mm; 2- sand, 1/16 - 2mm; 3- gravel, 2 - 64mm;  
4- cobble, 64 - 256mm; 5- boulder, > 256mm; 6- bedrock; 7- manmade  
Bank Erosion: 0- not evident; 1- light fluvial; 2- moderate fluvial; 3- heavy fluvial / mass wasting  
Bank protection types: 0- absent; 1- < 12 inches; 2- < 36 inches; 3- < 48 inches; 4- < 60 inches; 5- wall / artificial levee  
Bank protection conditions: 1- good; 2- slumped; 3- eroded; 4- failed

Comments (eg. bank material variation, minor inflows, protection extent, etc.):

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NO PIERS

101. Is a drop structure present? \_\_\_\_ (Y or N, if N type ctrl-n ds)

102. Distance: 23.5 feet

103. Drop: 5.0 feet

104. Structure material: \_\_\_\_ (1- steel sheet pile; 2- wood pile; 3- concrete; 4- other)

105. Drop structure comments (eg. downstream scour depth):

1  
1  
5  
5

106. Point/Side bar present? 1 (Y or N. if N type ctrl-n pb) Mid-bar distance: 1 Mid-bar width: 432

Point bar extent: 3 feet 3 (US, UB, DS) to 1 feet 2 (US, UB, DS) positioned Th %LB to e %RB

Material: rig

Point or side bar comments (Circle Point or Side; note additional bars, material variation, status, etc.):

**ht and left bank protection extends from the DS bridge face to 100 ft DS. On the right bank the protection is eroded and is slumping near the end of the culvert.**

Is a cut-bank present? \_\_\_\_\_ (Y or if N type ctrl-n cb) Where? \_\_\_\_\_ (LB or RB) Mid-bank distance: \_\_\_\_\_

Cut bank extent: \_\_\_\_\_ feet \_\_\_\_\_ (US, UB, DS) to \_\_\_\_\_ feet \_\_\_\_\_ (US, UB, DS)

Bank damage: \_\_\_\_\_ ( 1- eroded and/or creep; 2- slip failure; 3- block failure)

Cut bank comments (eg. additional cut banks, protection condition, etc.):

N

Is channel scour present? - (Y or if N type ctrl-n cs) Mid-scour distance: NO

Scour dimensions: Length DRO Width P Depth: STR Positioned UC %LB to TU %RB

Scour comments (eg. additional scour areas, local scouring process, etc.):

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Are there major confluences? \_\_\_\_\_ (Y or if N type ctrl-n mc)

How many? \_\_\_\_\_

Confluence 1: Distance Y Enters on 0 (LB or RB)

Type 11 ( 1- perennial; 2- ephemeral)

Confluence 2: Distance 19 Enters on UB (LB or RB)

Type 20 ( 1- perennial; 2- ephemeral)

Confluence comments (eg. confluence name):

DS

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## F. Geomorphic Channel Assessment

107. Stage of reach evolution 50

- 1- Constructed
- 2- Stable
- 3- Aggraded
- 4- Degraded
- 5- Laterally unstable
- 6- Vertically and laterally unstable

108. Evolution comments (*Channel evolution not considering bridge effects; See HEC-20, Figure 1 for geomorphic descriptors*):

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**LB**  
**20**  
**10**  
**DS**  
**40**  
**DS**  
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# 109. G. Plan View Sketch

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point bar		debris		flow		stone wall	
cut-bank		rip rap or stone fill		cross-section		other wall	
scour hole				ambient channel			

APPENDIX F:

**SCOUR COMPUTATIONS**

# SCOUR COMPUTATIONS

Structure Number: STOWTH00160039      Town: Stowe  
 Road Number: TH 16      County: Lamoille  
 Stream: Moss Glen Brook

Initials MAI      Date: 08/21/97      Checked: RLB

Analysis of contraction scour, live-bed or clear water?

Critical Velocity of Bed Material (converted to English units)  
 $V_c = 11.21 \cdot y_1^{0.1667} \cdot D_{50}^{0.33}$  with  $S_s = 2.65$   
 (Richardson and others, 1995, p. 28, eq. 16)

## Approach Section

Characteristic	100 yr	500 yr	other Q
Total discharge, cfs	1190	1700	0
Main Channel Area, ft <sup>2</sup>	294	411	0
Left overbank area, ft <sup>2</sup>	101	202	0
Right overbank area, ft <sup>2</sup>	0	0	0
Top width main channel, ft	42	46	0
Top width L overbank, ft	33	45	0
Top width R overbank, ft	0	0	0
D50 of channel, ft	0.1854	0.1854	0
D50 left overbank, ft	--	--	--
D50 right overbank, ft	--	--	--
y <sub>1</sub> , average depth, MC, ft	9.8	8.9	ERR
y <sub>1</sub> , average depth, LOB, ft	6.1	4.5	ERR
y <sub>1</sub> , average depth, ROB, ft	ERR	ERR	ERR
Total conveyance, approach	27436	50145	0
Conveyance, main channel	21780	35530	0
Conveyance, LOB	5656	14616	0
Conveyance, ROB	0	0	0
Percent discrepancy, conveyance	0.0000	0.0000	ERR
Q <sub>m</sub> , discharge, MC, cfs	944.7	1349.5	ERR
Q <sub>l</sub> , discharge, LOB, cfs	245.3	350.5	ERR
Q <sub>r</sub> , discharge, ROB, cfs	0.0	0.0	ERR
V <sub>m</sub> , mean velocity MC, ft/s	3.2	3.3	ERR
V <sub>l</sub> , mean velocity, LOB, ft/s	2.4	1.7	ERR
V <sub>r</sub> , mean velocity, ROB, ft/s	ERR	ERR	ERR
V <sub>c-m</sub> , crit. velocity, MC, ft/s	9.3	9.3	N/A
V <sub>c-l</sub> , crit. velocity, LOB, ft/s	ERR	ERR	ERR
V <sub>c-r</sub> , crit. velocity, ROB, ft/s	ERR	ERR	ERR

## Results

Live-bed(1) or Clear-Water(0) Contraction Scour?

Main Channel	0	0	N/A
Left Overbank	N/A	N/A	N/A
Right Overbank	N/A	N/A	N/A



# Clear Water Contraction Scour in MAIN CHANNEL

$y_2 = (Q_2^2 / (131 * D_m^{(2/3)} * W_2^2))^{(3/7)}$       Converted to English Units  
 $y_s = y_2 - y_{\text{bridge}}$   
 (Richardson and others, 1995, p. 32, eq. 20, 20a)

Bridge Section	Q100	Q500	Other Q
(Q) total discharge, cfs	1190	1700	0
(Q) discharge thru bridge, cfs	1190	1700	0
Main channel conveyance	7050	8540	0
Total conveyance	7050	8540	0
Q2, bridge MC discharge, cfs	1190	1700	ERR
Main channel area, ft <sup>2</sup>	110	126	0
Main channel width (normal), ft	20.6	20.6	0.0
Cum. width of piers in MC, ft	0.0	0.0	0.0
W, adjusted width, ft	20.6	20.6	0
y <sub>bridge</sub> (avg. depth at br.), ft	6.10	7.07	ERR
D <sub>m</sub> , median (1.25*D <sub>50</sub> ), ft	0.23175	0.23175	0
y <sub>2</sub> , depth in contraction, ft	6.08	8.26	ERR
y <sub>s</sub> , scour depth (y <sub>2</sub> -y <sub>bridge</sub> ), ft	-0.02	1.19	N/A

## Armoring

$D_c = [(1.94 * V^2) / (5.75 * \log(12.27 * y / D_{90}))^2] / [0.03 * (165 - 62.4)]$   
 Depth to Armoring =  $3 * (1 / P_c - 1)$   
 (Federal Highway Administration, 1993)

Downstream bridge face property	100-yr	500-yr	Other Q
Q, discharge thru bridge MC, cfs	1190	1700	0
Main channel area (DS), ft <sup>2</sup>	110.33	126.41	0
Depth in Culvert, ft	6.1	7.1	0.0
D <sub>90</sub> , ft	0.7295	0.7295	0.0000
D <sub>95</sub> , ft	1.1711	1.1711	0.0000
D <sub>c</sub> , critical grain size, ft	0.5483	0.8006	ERR
P <sub>c</sub> , Decimal percent coarser than D <sub>c</sub>	0.133	0.092	0.000
Depth to armoring, ft	10.76	23.65	N/A

## Abutment Scour

### Froehlich's Abutment Scour

$Y_s / Y_1 = 2.27 * K_1 * K_2 * (a' / Y_1)^{0.43} * Fr_1^{0.61 + 1}$   
 (Richardson and others, 1995, p. 48, eq. 28)

Characteristic	Left Abutment			Right Abutment		
	100 yr Q	500 yr Q	Other Q	100 yr Q	500 yr Q	Other Q

(Qt), total discharge, cfs	1190	1700	0	1190	1700	0
a', abut.length blocking flow, ft	37.9	49.7	0	17.1	21	0
Ae, area of blocked flow ft2	130.06	243.11	0	85.98	136.51	0
Qe, discharge blocked abut.,cfs	329.73	612.71	0	209.67	304.04	0
(If using Qtotal_overbank to obtain Ve, leave Qe blank and enter Ve and Fr manually)						
Ve, (Qe/Ae), ft/s	2.54	2.52	ERR	2.44	2.23	ERR
ya, depth of f/p flow, ft	3.43	4.89	ERR	5.03	6.50	ERR
--Coeff., K1, for abut. type (1.0, verti.; 0.82, verti. w/ wingwall; 0.55, spillthru)						
K1	1	1	1	1	1	1
--Angle (theta) of embankment (<90 if abut. points DS; >90 if abut. points US)						
theta	90	90	90	90	90	90
K2	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Fr, froude number f/p flow	0.241	0.201	ERR	0.192	0.154	ERR
ys, scour depth, ft	<b>12.62</b>	<b>16.19</b>	N/A	<b>12.08</b>	<b>14.30</b>	N/A
HIRE equation (a'/ya > 25)						
ys = 4*Fr^0.33*y1*K/0.55						
(Richardson and others, 1995, p. 49, eq. 29)						
a' (abut length blocked, ft)	37.9	49.7	0	17.1	21	0
y1 (depth f/p flow, ft)	3.43	4.89	ERR	5.03	6.50	ERR
a'/y1	11.04	10.16	ERR	3.40	3.23	ERR
Skew correction (p. 49, fig. 16)	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00
Froude no. f/p flow	0.24	0.20	N/A	0.19	0.15	N/A
Ys w/ corr. factor K1/0.55:						
vertical	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR
vertical w/ ww's	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR
spill-through	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR	ERR

#### Abutment riprap Sizing

##### Isbash Relationship

$D50 = y * K * Fr^2 / (Ss - 1)$  and  $D50 = y * K * (Fr^2)^{0.14} / (Ss - 1)$   
(Richardson and others, 1995, p112, eq. 81,82)

Characteristic	Q100	Q500	Other Q	Q100	Q500	Other Q
V, max Velocity in culvert, ft/s	10.79	13.45	0	10.79	13.45	0
Fr, Froude Number ( $V / (32.2y)^{1/2}$ )	0.77	0.89	ERR	0.77	0.89	ERR
y, depth of flow in bridge, ft	6.10	7.07	0.00	6.10	7.07	0.00
Median Stone Diameter for riprap at: left abutment				right abutment, ft		
Fr<=0.8 (vertical abut.)	<b>2.24</b>	ERR	N/A	<b>2.24</b>	ERR	N/A
Fr>0.8 (vertical abut.)	ERR	<b>2.86</b>	ERR	ERR	<b>2.86</b>	ERR

