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CONVERSION FACTORS

For readers who prefer to use the International System of Units (SI) rather than inch-pound units, the conversion factors for the terms used in this report are listed below.

Multiply inch-pound unit	By	To obtain SI unit
foot	0.3048	meter
inch per hour	0.007056	millimeter per second
foot per mile	0.1896	meter per kilometer
foot per second	0.3048	meter per second
cubic foot per second	0.02832	cubic meter per second
mile	1.609	kilometer
square mile	2.590	square kilometer
acre	0.4047	hectare
ton	907.2	kilogram
inch	25.4	millimeter

To convert temperature in °C (degrees Celsius) to °F (degrees Fahrenheit), multiply by 1.8 and add 32.

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ABSTRACT

Stormwater-runoff sampling was done at three stations on the Blue River in Kansas City, Missouri, to describe the quality of stormwater runoff in a combined urban and rural setting. Urban land use upstream from the mainstem stations increased from 17 percent of the basin (46 square miles) at the most upstream station to 33 percent (88 square miles) at the most downstream station. Stormwater-runoff sampling also was done at three stations on urban tributaries (Brush Creek, Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer, and an unnamed tributary of Blue River) that drain areas of residential, commercial, and mixed-urban land uses. Samples were analyzed for chemical and biochemical-oxygen demands, dissolved solids, suspended sediment, dissolved and total nutrients, dissolved and total metals, and total organic carbon. Discharge also was measured at the six stations.

Total concentrations of copper, iron, lead, and zinc exceeded the numeric aquatic-life criteria values listed in Missouri's water quality standards. However, the state's criteria implementation policy applies only to dissolved concentrations of these metals. Most constituents, except lead and zinc, were associated with concentrations of suspended sediment of as much as 3,100 milligrams per liter from the predominately agricultural areas in the upstream part of the basin. Regression equations with correlation coefficients greater than 0.70 indicated a significant relationship between suspended-sediment concentrations and the total concentrations of a number of constituents in stormwater runoff from the basin.

The large number of impervious surfaces and lined channels in urban areas caused increased volumes of stormwater runoff per unit drainage area as much as three times that from nonurban areas and limited the availability of sediment to streams. Consequently, concentrations of most constituents were small, but the loads per unit drainage area were large when compared with those in the Blue River. When stormwater runoff from Brush Creek reached unlined channels it picked up sediment, and loads for most constituents increased by factors as much as 4 in the Blue River after receiving runoff from Brush Creek.

Combined sewer overflows along Brush Creek caused large concentrations of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand, dissolved solids, suspended sediment, nutrients, and metals in the initial storm runoff. Concentrations of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand were as much as 380 milligrams per liter at a discharge of 458 cubic feet per second. However, the sewers were quickly flushed and the total volume of water discharged by combined sewers was a small fraction of that in the Blue River. Consequently, the mean 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand was only slightly increased from 0 to 23 percent in the Blue River.

After extended dry periods, concentrations of lead and zinc, as much as 1,100 and 1,000 micrograms per liter, were larger during the leading edge of stormwater runoff than during later runoff in all three urban tributaries. Concentrations of most constituents in the leading edge of stormwater runoff were not large or consistent at the downstream Blue River station (Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue) when compared to later runoff due to mixing and timing of tributary runoff. However, concentrations of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand, suspended sediment, dissolved phosphorus, and lead that occurred upstream in the Blue River near Gregory Boulevard, were 0 to 300 percent larger in the leading edge of stormwater runoff if dry antecedent conditions and sufficient stormwater runoff occurred.

Concentrations of total lead and total zinc were significantly increased in stormwater runoff from the urban area. During the storm of July 27-28, 1981, urban areas contributed 3.4 tons of lead and 7.4 tons of zinc to the Blue River.

Two low-head dams upstream from the St. John Avenue sampling station on the Blue River caused suspended-sediment concentrations to be as much as 30 percent smaller and concentrations of dissolved solids to be as much as 85 percent larger during the first part of runoff from small storms. This was due to sediment trapping and the flushing of impounded water from behind the dams. These dams also decreased the total storm load of suspended sediment 10 and 39 percent in two small storms.

INTRODUCTION

Stormwater quality is of concern to water planners and managers, as well as to the public, to assure that water-quality standards are being met and for water-resource management for water supply, recreation, waste disposal, and other purposes. Of particular concern is the water quality of streams draining urban areas where accumulations of street litter, pesticides, fertilizers, chemicals and abrasives used in ice control, animal wastes, and automobile and stack emissions may be significant sources of pollution. Although the quality of streamflow generally is characterized by periodic, discrete sampling, the actual water quality is quite variable depending on areal and temporal conditions of precipitation, streamflow, land use, and other factors. A potentially significant contribution of pollutants to urban streams is the initial runoff from spring and summer storms that flush pollutants accumulated since previous storms into receiving waters. The study was done in cooperation with the Missouri Department of Natural Resources to assist the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency in determining the quality of stormwater runoff in the Blue River basin.

The purpose of this report is to describe the quality of stormwater runoff entering the Blue River and several of its tributaries as determined from both composite and discrete samples collected at selected sites chosen to represent both urbanized and non-urbanized areas of the Blue River basin. Samples were collected during runoff resulting from a number of storms in the basin during July-October 1981, and April-July 1982.

Description of Study Area

The Blue River basin is on the Missouri-Kansas border and has an area of 269 square miles (fig. 1). A large part of the Kansas City metropolitan area is drained by the downstream one-half of the Blue River Basin. As of 1978, 88

square miles (33 percent) of the Blue River basin had been urbanized and the remaining 181 square miles (67 percent) was chiefly agricultural use (Mid-America Regional Council, 1981). These conditions are relatively unchanged at present (1983). Much of the agricultural area is used for row crops, although hay crops, pasture and woodlands cover a significant part of the area. Several small towns are located in the relatively undeveloped upstream part of the basin. Part of the city of Olathe, Kansas, approximately 2 square miles, is within the basin, but the area covered by other small towns total less than 1 square mile. A summary of land use within the basin during 1978 is shown in table 1. The corporate boundaries in figure 1 delineate the approximate limit of urbanization in the Kansas City area.

More than 75 percent of the soils in the upstream, agricultural areas have saturated hydraulic conductivity ranging from 0.016 to 0.04 inch per hour, and erodibility factors (K) ranging from 0.28 to 0.43 (Mausel and others, 1976). Although the natural susceptibility to erosion is moderate, most soils in the agricultural areas are cultivated. In combination with the minimal hydraulic conductivities that increase runoff, cultivation creates the potential for large sediment yields from overland and channel erosion.

The Kansas City area receives an average of 37 inches of precipitation per year, which includes an average annual snowfall of 19 inches. Although precipitation is distributed throughout the year, May, June, and September receive the most precipitation. Precipitation generally is associated with frontal movement, although localized convectional storms are common during the summer. The average daily mean temperature is 28.6 °C during July and 0.4 °C during January (National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, 1982).

A combined sanitary and stormwater sewage system typically increases biochemical-oxygen demand, suspended solids, and total phosphorus two to four times more than stormwater runoff alone (Gehm and Bergman, 1976). About 56 square miles of the downstream end of the Blue River basin (21 percent of the entire basin) are served by a combined system that carries both sanitary sewage and stormwater runoff (fig. 2). The Big Blue interceptor sewer is located along the downstream 16-mile reach of the Blue River, and during dry conditions routes all sanitary sewage to a large wastewater-treatment facility near the mouth of the Blue River. However, during periods of significant rainfall, runoff mixes with sanitary sewage until the interceptor can no longer accommodate all the inflow, and the excess is discharged directly into the river (fig. 2). Newer developments in the southern parts of Kansas City have separate sanitary and stormwater sewage systems. The point where effluent from the Big Blue Sewage Treatment Plant enters into the Blue River is located downstream from the reach sampled in this study.

Data-Collection Methods

Rainfall data were compiled from three National Weather Service sites and collected at four U.S. Geological Survey sites (fig. 1). Rainfall data-collection sites were chosen or established to show relative depths of rainfall for the major tributaries contributing flow at the sampling sites. Data from Stillwell, Kansas, represent rainfall on the upper Blue River basin. Data from Morse and Olathe, Kansas, represent rainfall on the Indian and Tomahawk Creek basins. Rainfall data from Prairie Village, Kansas, represent the Brush Creek basin. Data collected at Gregory Boulevard represent rainfall on

Table 1.--Land use upstream from sampling stations during 1978
[Compiled from Mid-America Regional Council, 1981]

Station number (fig.1)	Drainage basin	Land use, in acres and percentage of total drainage basin													
		Single- family residential		Multi- family residential		Commercial		Industrial		Agricultural and vacant		Other		Total	
		Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent	Acres Percent				
2	Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue	303	96	0	0	10	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	313	100
4	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard	22,700	17	1,900	1	2,500	2	2,200	2	95,200	71	9,500	7	134,000	100
6	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue	13,260	71	760	4	1,320	7	130	1	2,580	14	490	3	18,540	100
7	Blue River at Coalmine Road	38,000	24	2,700	2	4,000	2	2,500	2	97,800	62	13,100	8	158,100	100
8	Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer	0	0	0	0	50	100	0	0	0	0	0	0	50	100
11	Blue River near St. John Avenue	44,400	26	3,300	2	4,500	3	4,100	2	101,500	59	14,600	8	172,400	100

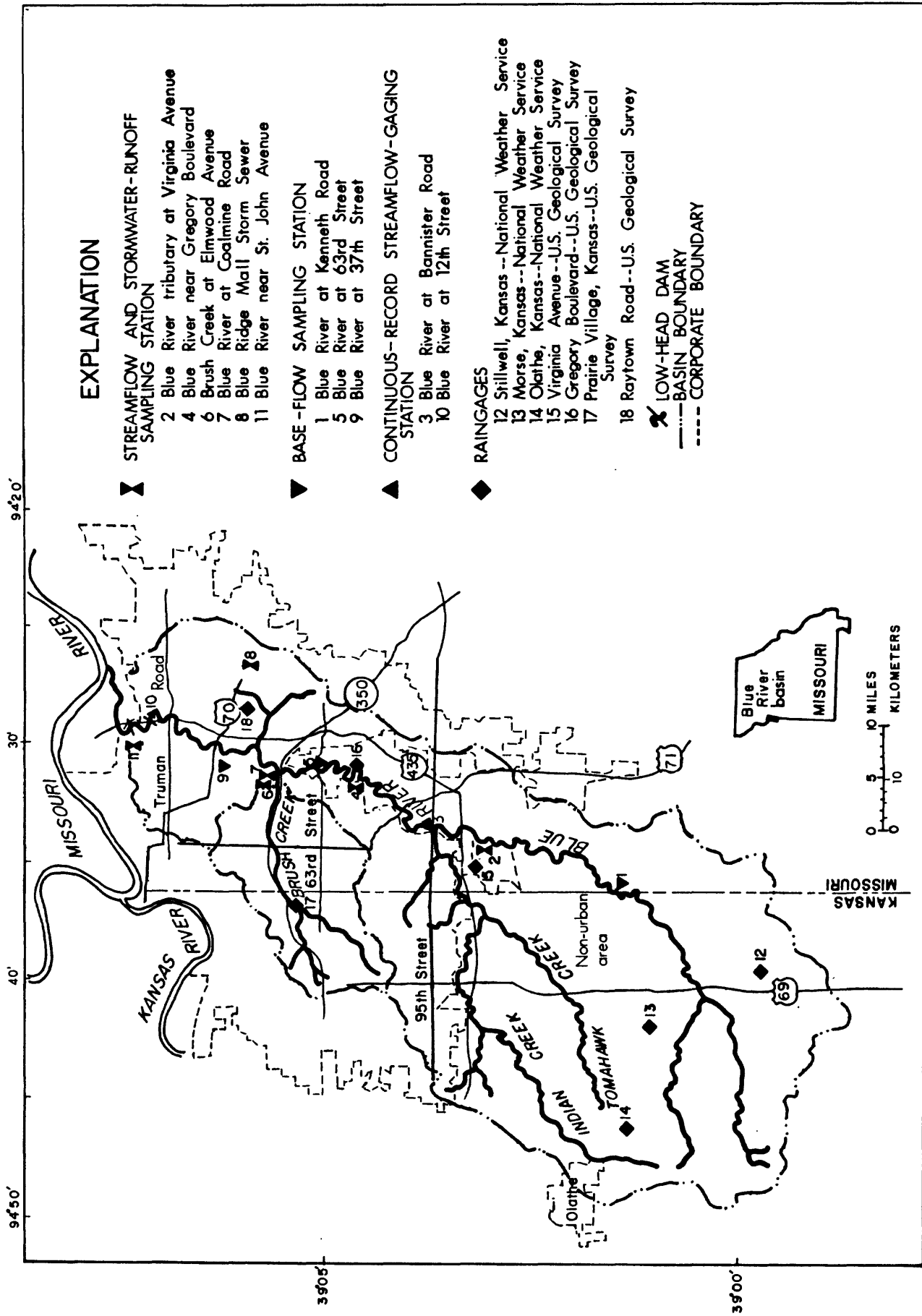


Figure 1.--Location of the Blue River basin, data-collection sites, non-urban area, and corporate boundaries of the southern Kansas City metropolitan area, Missouri and Kansas.

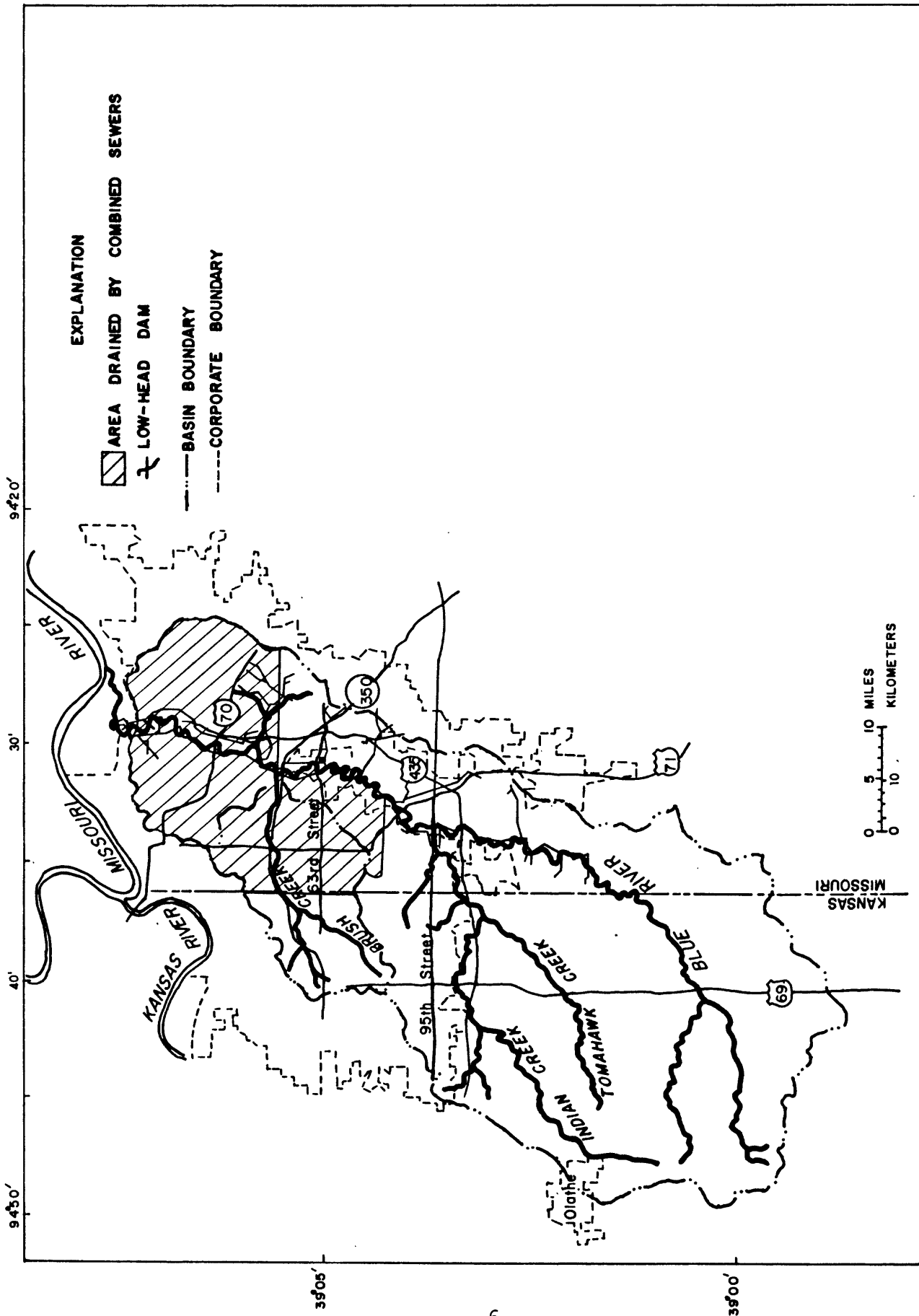


Figure 2.--Area of the Blue River basin drained by combined sewers (modified from Mid-America Regional Council, 1974).

the lower Blue River basin, and rainfall data from Virginia Avenue and Raytown Road represent small land-use areas as well as the middle and lower Blue River basin. Precipitation data for Stillwell, Morse, and Olathe, Kansas, are from National Weather Service records. Rainfall data for Gregory Boulevard and Virginia Avenue were collected as a part of this study. Precipitation data at Raytown Road and Prairie Village, Kansas, were collected by the U.S. Geological Survey for a separate rainfall-runoff study.

Continuous-record, streamflow information was collected at all six stormwater-runoff sampling stations--Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2), Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4), Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6), Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7), Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8), and Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11) (fig. 1). For the Blue River stations, stage-discharge rating curves were developed from 10 to 12 discharge measurements at each station, from comparison with the long-term streamflow-gaging station on the Blue River at Bannister Road (station 3), from a streamflow-gaging station on the Blue River at 12th Street (station 10), and from comparisons between the study stations. Although the rating curve for Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue was affected by backwater from the Blue River, a satisfactory relationship was developed between the mean velocity at Elmwood Avenue and the change in water-surface elevation between this station and the Blue River at Coalmine Road for various stages (coefficient of determination $r^2=0.98$). Stream-depth measurements made at Elmwood Avenue were used to develop the relationship between gage height and cross-sectional area. Discharge for a given gage height was computed by multiplying the computed mean velocity by the cross-sectional area from the curve developed at Elmwood Avenue. A stage-discharge rating curve for the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue was based on five discharge measurements. At the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer, more than 30 velocity measurements at various stages in the center of a 5-foot diameter pipe and theoretical velocity distributions were used with the Prandtl-VonKarman universal-velocity-distribution equation (Chow, 1964) to compute discharges for a stage-discharge rating curve. The rating curves were used to composite water-quality samples and obtain discharge hydrographs.

Six water-quality sampling stations were established; three on the Blue River and three on urban tributaries of the Blue River. Stations on the Blue River are located: (1) Near the mouth, near St. John Avenue; (2) just downstream from the confluence with Brush Creek at Coalmine Road; and (3) Swope Park near Gregory Boulevard, upstream from most urban development and downstream from agricultural land. The three sampling stations on urban tributaries are located: (1) Downstream from a mixed-urban land-use area on Brush Creek near its mouth at Elmwood Avenue; (2) downstream from a small, commercial land-use area at the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer; and (3) downstream from a small, residential land-use area at Virginia Avenue in southern Kansas City (fig. 1). Samples were collected with automatic samplers at five stations and manually at the station on the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer.

During July-October 1981, consecutive discrete samples collected at equal time increments were composited into one to four samples for each storm based on values of discharge. These composite samples were used to compute mean constituent concentrations during storms and to show general trends in water quality during periods of stormwater runoff. During April-July 1982, discrete samples were collected at the Blue River and Brush Creek stations at the start

of stormwater runoff and during increased discharge to determine the effects of flushing of material accumulated in combined sewers and on land surfaces. All samples collected from the commercial and residential land-use areas were discharge-weighted composites. Sampling intervals were 7½ minutes to 1 hour depending on the size of the basin. Samples were collected from July 25 to October 17, 1981; and April 28 to July 6, 1982.

Although samples were not collected during the winter for this study, the analysis of a sample collected from Brush Creek during January for a study of combined sewer overflows indicated the concentrations of dissolved-solids to be more than 1,100 milligrams per liter. This large concentration of dissolved solids was related to washoff of deicing salts (Lamb, 1983).

Chemical analyses of water samples were made by the U.S. Geological Survey laboratory in Arvada, Colorado, for metals (total and dissolved), chemical-oxygen demand, total organic carbon, and dissolved solids, in accordance with procedures outlined by Skougstad and others (1979). Chemical analyses of water samples for nutrients (total and dissolved), turbidity, and 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand (BOD₅) were made according to procedures outlined by the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (1979) at the agency's laboratory in Kansas City, Kansas. Analyses for suspended sediment and particle size were made in the U.S. Geological Survey Laboratory in Rolla, Missouri, according to procedures outlined by Guy (1969).

For this report, chemical constituents referred to as "total" or "total recoverable" were determined from unfiltered samples that were digested by a method that results in dissolution of readily soluble substances. "Dissolved" constituents were determined from samples that passed through 0.45 micrometer filters. Four reconnaissance samples were collected on April 15, 1981, on Blue River and Brush Creek near the end of a streamflow recession were analyzed for common contaminants usually present in runoff from urban areas. The results were used to guide the selection of constituents and properties to be determined for stormwater-runoff samples. Chemical- and biochemical-oxygen demands, dissolved solids, suspended-sediment, nutrients, metals, and total organic carbon were chosen as practical and acceptable for general water-quality characterization. This selection was supported by four high-flow samples that were analyzed for 103 of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (1979) priority pollutants. Concentrations of analyzed constituents were less than detectable limits except certain metals, calcium, magnesium and 1, 1, 2, 2 tetrachloroethane. The priority-pollutant data are shown in the "Supplemental Information" section at the back of this report.

Two sets of depth-integrated, equal-discharge-increment samples from Blue River near Gregory Boulevard, one set from Blue River at Coalmine Road, and two sets from Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue were collected concurrently with pumped samples collected from the automatic samplers. A comparison of suspended-sediment and dissolved-solids concentrations collected manually and automatically is shown in table 2. Total-iron analyses were included where suspended-sediment samples had been destroyed in transport. Concentrations for the automatically collected samples generally were typical of constituent concentrations representative of the entire stream cross section. This probably is the result of the natural mixing characteristics of the Blue River caused by large sinuosity, small width-to-height cross-section ratios, and increased velocities during high flows.

Table 2.--Comparison of suspended-sediment, dissolved-solids, and total-iron concentrations in manually and automatically collected samples

Station number (fig. 1)	Station name	Discharge, at time of sample, in cubic feet per second	Suspended sediment, in milligrams per liter		Percent ¹ difference	Dissolved-solids, in milligrams per liter		Percent ¹ difference	Total iron, in micrograms per liter		Percent ¹ difference
			Manual	Automatic		Manual	Automatic		Manual	Automatic	
4	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard	390 1,090	(²) 2,590	(²) 2,870	(²) +11	241 210	227 166	-6 -21	46,000 ---	51,000 ---	+11 ---
6	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue	450 1,990	2,670 323	2,390 251	10 22	129 98	122 94	-5 -4	---	---	---
7	Blue River at Coalmine Road	745	(²)	(²)	(²)	346	317	-8	28,000	20,000	-29

¹Percentage that the concentration for the automatically collected sample varies from the concentration for the manually collected sample.

²Suspended-sediment samples destroyed in transport. Total-iron concentrations substituted.

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Although manually collected samples were not obtainable near St. John Avenue, adequate mixing at the low-head dam just upstream and average high-flow velocities between 6 and 8 feet per second in the vicinity of the sampler probably sustained a well-mixed flow. Therefore, it was assumed that automatically collected samples at this station were representative of the entire cross section.

RAINFALL

Data for storm and antecedent rainfall for sampled storms collected at the seven raingages in the study area are presented in table 3. Rainfall for days with no corresponding runoff data is indicated by dashes.

STREAMFLOW

The flow regime present during sampled storms was summarized with flow-duration information from a long-term station. The mean discharge and duration of runoff for the Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (drainage area, 203 square miles) and a mean daily flow-duration table for the Blue River at Bannister Road (drainage area, 188 square miles) were used to approximate the percentages of time flow in the Blue River exceeds the mean discharge of each storm sampled and are shown in table 4. The discharge and approximate flow duration at which sampling was begun on streamflow rises near Gregory Boulevard also are shown. Sampling began at the Blue River and Brush Creek stations when the stage reached approximately 2 feet more than the base-flow (sustained or fair-weather flow) gage height. All flows sampled are exceeded 10 percent of the time or less.

QUALITY OF STORMWATER RUNOFF DETERMINED FROM COMPOSITE SAMPLES, JULY-OCTOBER 1981

Values of properties and concentrations of constituents in runoff are significantly affected by storm-specific conditions such as antecedent rainfall, rainfall distribution, quantity of runoff, and the time since the beginning of runoff. Therefore, storm-specific conditions are described for all stormwater runoff characterized by composite samples. When possible, water-quality data are interpreted in consideration of these conditions.

Mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents are plotted for each Blue River station in downstream order and connected by a straight line for each storm (numbered chronologically 1 through 5) in figure 3 and the data are summarized in table 5. The graphs in figure 3 show downstream changes in water quality caused by increasing quantities of urban runoff. Storm hydrographs and concurrent values for selected properties and concentrations for selected constituents are shown in figures 4 through 9 stations on the Blue River and Brush Creek. The values and concentrations shown are from composite samples collected during periods separated by the dashed vertical lines below the hydrographs. These lines divide the total volume of runoff into approximately equal fractions at a given site (that is, one-half, one-third, one-fourth). General variations of water quality with flow and time are shown in figures 4 through 9. Periods of missed samples are indicated by hatchured lines. Properties and constituents included in these figures were selected to indicate as much about the total water quality as possible. For example, because most total metals concentrations were significantly correlated

Table 3.--Storm and antecedent rainfall, in inches, for sampled storms

Date of storm	Raytown Road (Commercial area and lower Blue River) (station 18, fig. 1)										Prairie Village, Kansas (Brush Creek) (station 17, fig. 1)										Gregory Boulevard (Lower Blue River) (station 16, fig. 1)										Morse, Kansas (Indian Creek) (station 13, fig. 1)										Stillwell, Kansas (Upper Blue River) (station 12, fig. 1)																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																																							
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Table 4.--Daily flow duration for the mean-storm discharge of
sampled runoff in the Blue River near Gregory Boulevard

Date of storm	Mean-storm ¹ discharge, in cubic feet per second	Runoff duration, in hours	Flow duration for the Blue River at Bannister Road, in percent exceedence
July 25, 1981	917	19	2.8
July 27-28, 1981	2,170	42	1.1
Sept. 1, 1981	550	17	4.6
Oct. 13-14, 1981	672	40	3.8
Oct. 17, 1981	472	18	5.2
Smallest discharge sampled	245	--	10.0

¹Mean of discharge during entire period of runoff.

Table 5.--Mean values of properties and mean concentrations of constituents collected from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981

[Results in milligrams per liter, except as indicated; $\mu\text{g/L}$, micrograms per liter; NTU, nephelometric turbidity units]

Property or Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)					Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)				
	1	2	Storm number ¹ 3	4	5	1	2	Storm number ¹ 3	4	5
Specific conductance (micromhos per centimeter at 25 °Celsius)	313	253	401	380	355	351	234	400	349	333
pH (units)	7.2	7.5	7.9	7.4	7.5	7.6	7.4	7.7	7.1	7.8
Turbidity (NTU)	133	288	158	157	157	141	171	175	162	150
Chemical-oxygen demand	196	109	115	91	101	150	94	135	69	114
5-day biochemical- oxygen demand	9.7	5.1	6.9	11.3	13.4	5.0	6.3	7.9	11.8	13.2
Dissolved solids	244	159	241	217	217	222	146	234	189	189
Suspended sediment	3,110	2,450	1,380	897	1,050	2,810	1,850	1,390	838	1,070
Total nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	1.3	.79	--	.85	.97	1.4	.77	--	.78	.72
Dissolved nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	1.29	.96	1.19	--	--	1.49	1.03	1.09	--	--
Total ammonia as nitrogen	.56	.23	--	.57	.62	.43	.24	--	.58	.44
Dissolved ammonia as nitrogen	.32	.08	.18	.47	.49	.28	.02	.29	.31	.33
Total organic nitrogen	6.1	4.8	--	2.7	3.3	4.4	4.0	--	2.7	3.3
Dissolved organic nitrogen	1.66	.72	1.09	.70	.64	.39	.14	.80	.93	.74

Table 5.--Mean values of properties and mean concentrations of constituents collected from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981--Continued

Property or constituent	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)					Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)				
	1	2	4	5	Storm number	2	3	4	5	Storm number
Specific conductance (micromhos per centimeter at 25 °Celsius)	484	246	439	403		180	216	152	150	
pH (units)	7.6	7.5	6.8	7.7		6.9	7.6	7.0	7.5	
Turbidity (NTU)	200	155	161	153		125	32	104	112	
Chemical-oxygen demand	--	139	111	94		180	140	129	117	
5-day biochemical-oxygen demand	--	7.6	11.5	9.8		.3	23	32	13	
Dissolved solids	293	152	239	241		148	110	93	83	
Suspended sediment	1,710	2,280	891	944		1,620	402	954	797	
Total nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	1.8	.66	.68	.66		.43	.54	.27	.39	
Dissolved nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	1.83	.91	--	--		.45	.54	--	--	
Total ammonia as nitrogen	.67	.29	.83	.32		.22	--	.39	.11	
Dissolved ammonia as nitrogen	.39	.13	.66	.25		.17	.04	.28	.90	
Total organic nitrogen	2.8	4.4	3.0	2.4		5.6	--	5.6	--	
Dissolved organic nitrogen	.61	.82	.72	.45		1.2	--	.73	--	

Table 5.--Mean values of properties and mean concentrations of constituents collected from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981--Continued

Property or constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)					Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)				
	Storm number ¹					Storm number ¹				
	1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Total organic and ammonia nitrogen	6.61	5.03	4.45	3.20	3.66	4.58	4.26	2.67	3.33	3.82
Dissolved organic and ammonia nitrogen	2.0	.8	1.7	1.2	1.1	1.0	.6	1.6	1.2	1.1
Total nitrogen	7.9	5.8	--	4.1	4.9	6.2	5.0	--	4.1	4.5
Total phosphorus	2.85	2.21	2.15	1.89	1.80	2.48	1.91	2.20	2.11	1.74
Dissolved phosphorus	.59	.16	.61	.54	.47	.28	.11	.51	.54	.35
Total arsenic (µg/L)	15	14	5	7	8	14	11	8	8	10
Dissolved arsenic (µg/L)	3	2	3	3	3	2	2	3	3	3
Total cadmium (µg/L)	1	1	5	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
Total chromium (µg/L)	60	50	20	30	30	60	40	20	20	40
Total copper (µg/L)	80	53	31	29	50	68	51	38	31	37
Dissolved copper (µg/L)	10	6	4	3	3	6	4	4	3	2
Total iron (µg/L)	51,000	44,000	21,000	20,000	25,000	47,000	36,000	28,000	16,000	23,000
Dissolved iron (µg/L)	1,380	116	62	90	110	126	66	55	85	74
Total lead (µg/L)	64	38	26	38	62	77	100	39	66	109
Total manganese (µg/L)	1,830	1,460	930	800	1,060	1,840	1,190	1,200	690	940
Total mercury (µg/L)	.3	.2	.1	.1	.1	.2	.2	.0	.6	.3
Total selenium (µg/L)	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total zinc (µg/L)	250	200	110	120	180	240	210	170	140	200
Dissolved zinc (µg/L)	28	32	18	40	52	15	26	23	31	33
Total organic carbon	43	39	--	25	--	36	33	--	28	--

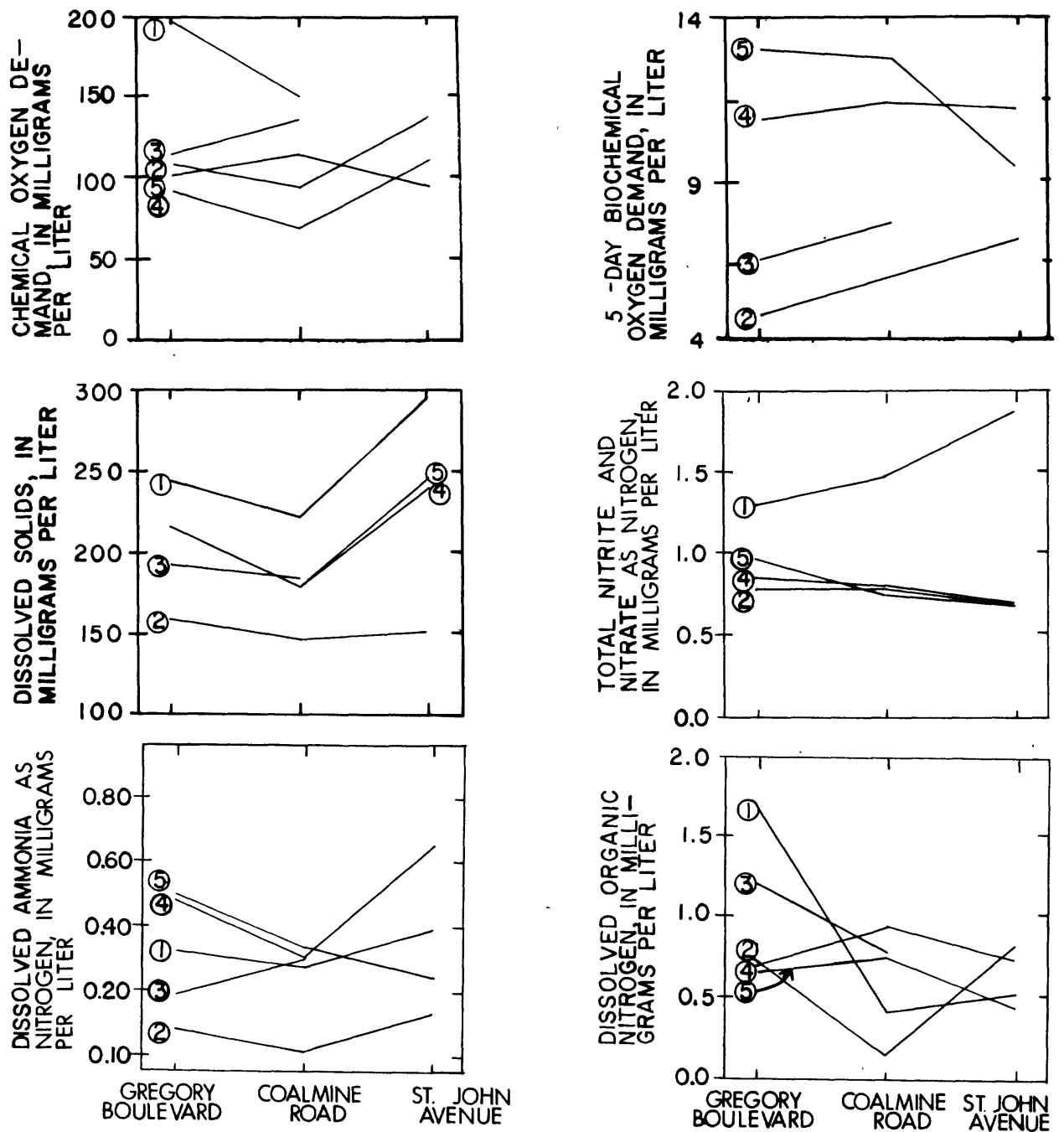
Table 5.--Mean values of properties and mean concentrations of constituents collected from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981--continued

Property or constituent	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)					Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)				
	Storm number					Storm number				
	1	2	4	5	1	2	3	4	5	1
Total organic and ammonia nitrogen	3.5	4.9	3.9	2.8	3.9	5.6	3.8	6.0	3.9	
Dissolved organic and ammonia nitrogen	1.0	1.0	1.3	.7	1.3	1.4	.7	1.0	.77	
Total nitrogen	5.5	4.5	3.4	6.3	3.4	--	--	6.3	4.3	
Total phosphorus	2.13	2.10	2.18	1.42	2.18	2.28	1.08	1.75	1.26	
Dissolved phosphorus	.33	.09	.52	.28	.52	.22	.12	.24	.18	
Total arsenic (µg/L)	9	13	10	7	10	21	5	9	10	
Dissolved arsenic (µg/L)	3	3	3	2	3	3	3	2	3	
Total copper (µg/L)	51	62	45	47	45	100	46	58	43	
Dissolved copper (µg/L)	3	3	2	2	2	8	6	3	3	
Total cadmium (µg/L)	1	1	2	3	2	2	3	3	2	
Total chromium	50	50	30	30	30	70	30	50	20	
Total iron (µg/L)	37,000	39,000	19,000	18,000	18,000	31,000	8,600	18,000	15,000	
Dissolved iron (µg/L)	26	93	45	66	45	230	76	117	142	
Total lead (µg/L)	82	114	93	94	93	480	300	345	226	
Total manganese (µg/L)	1,500	1,320	760	760	760	1,600	490	979	667	
Total mercury (µg/L)	.2	.2	.1	.2	.1	.5	.2	.4	.2	
Total selenium (µg/L)	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	

Table 5.--Mean values of properties and mean concentrations of constituents collected from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981--Continued

Property or constituent	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)					Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)				
	Storm number ¹					Storm number ¹				
	1	2	4	5		1	2	3	4	5
Total zinc (µg/L)	230	310	240	270			540	720	380	260
Dissolved zinc (µg/L)	20	26	28	42			12	34	44	41
Total organic carbon	--	34	30	26			37	--	46	31

¹Storm 1, July 25, 1981; storm 2, July 27-28, 1981; storm 3, September 1, 1981; storm 4, October 13-14, 1981; storm 5, October 17, 1981.



EXPLANATION

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STORM DATE

- July 25, 1981
- July 27-28, 1981
- September 1, 1981
- October 13-14, 1981
- October 17, 1981

(See figure 1 for location of stations)

Figure 3.--Downstream changes in mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in stormwater runoff in the Blue River.

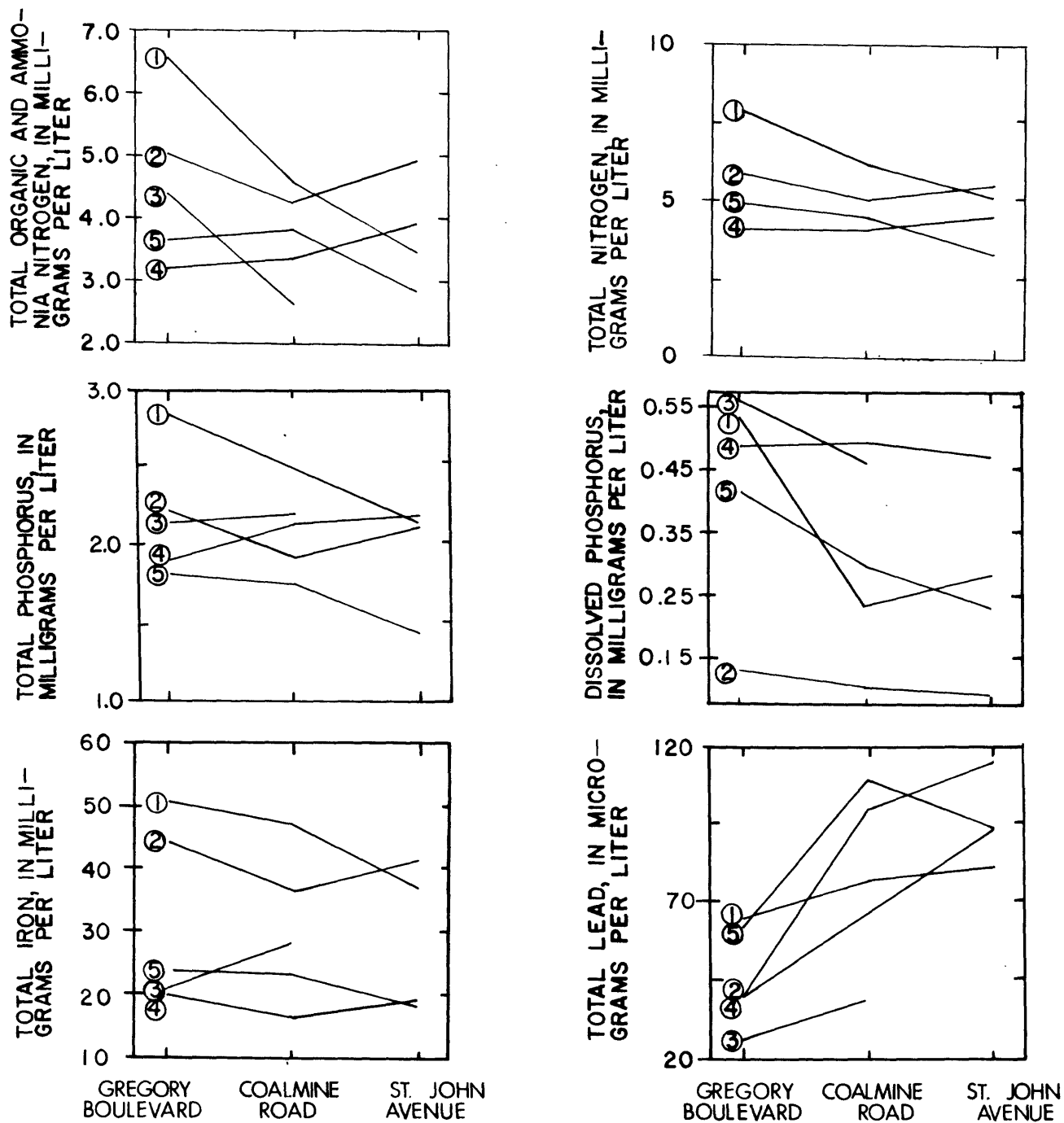


Figure 3.--Downstream changes in mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in stormwater runoff in the Blue River-- Continued.

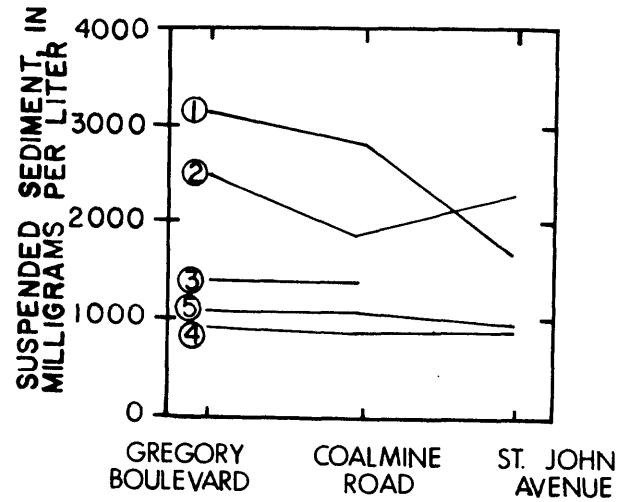
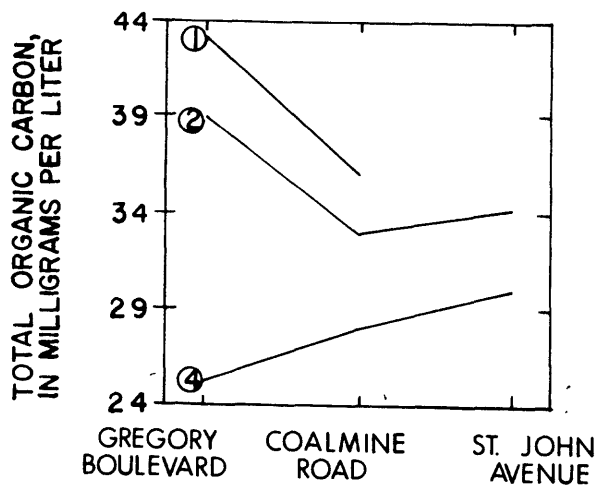
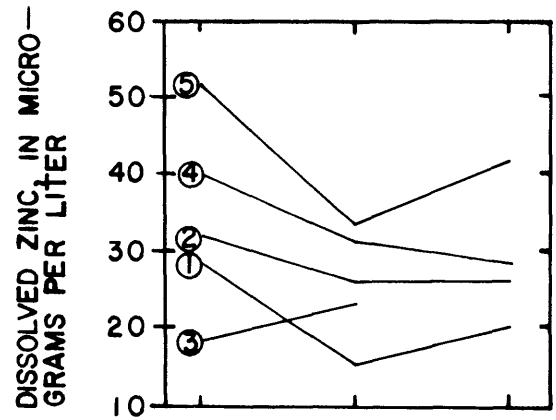
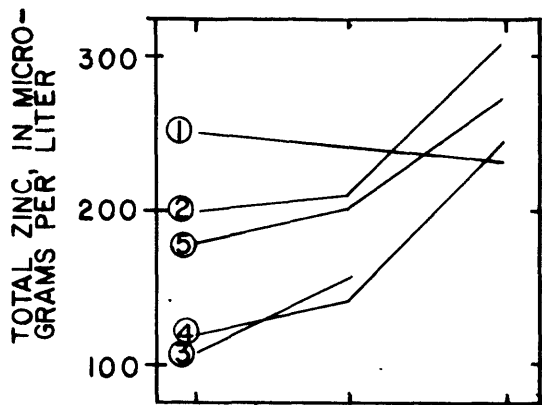


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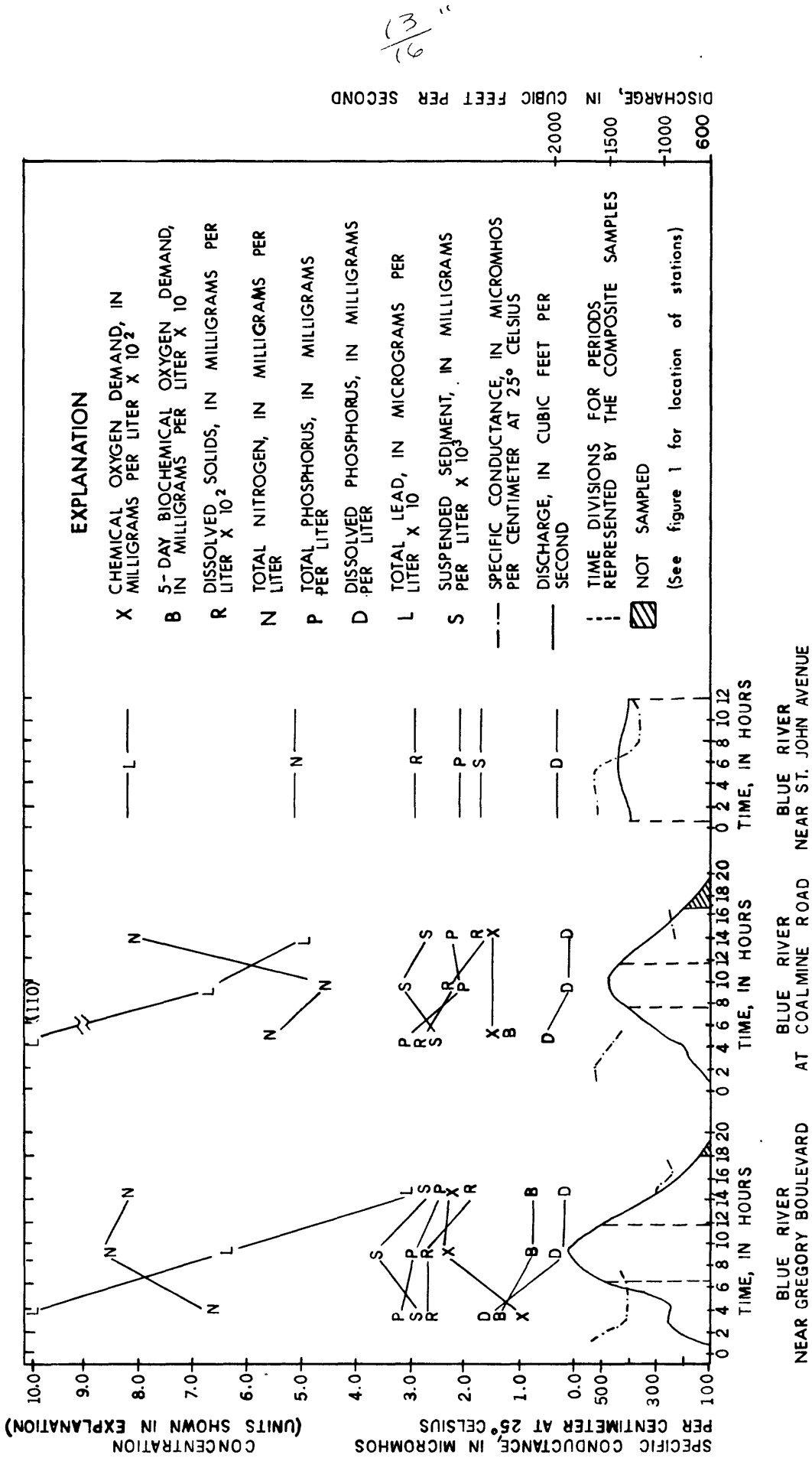


Figure 4.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at selected stations on the Blue River for the storm of July 25, 1981.

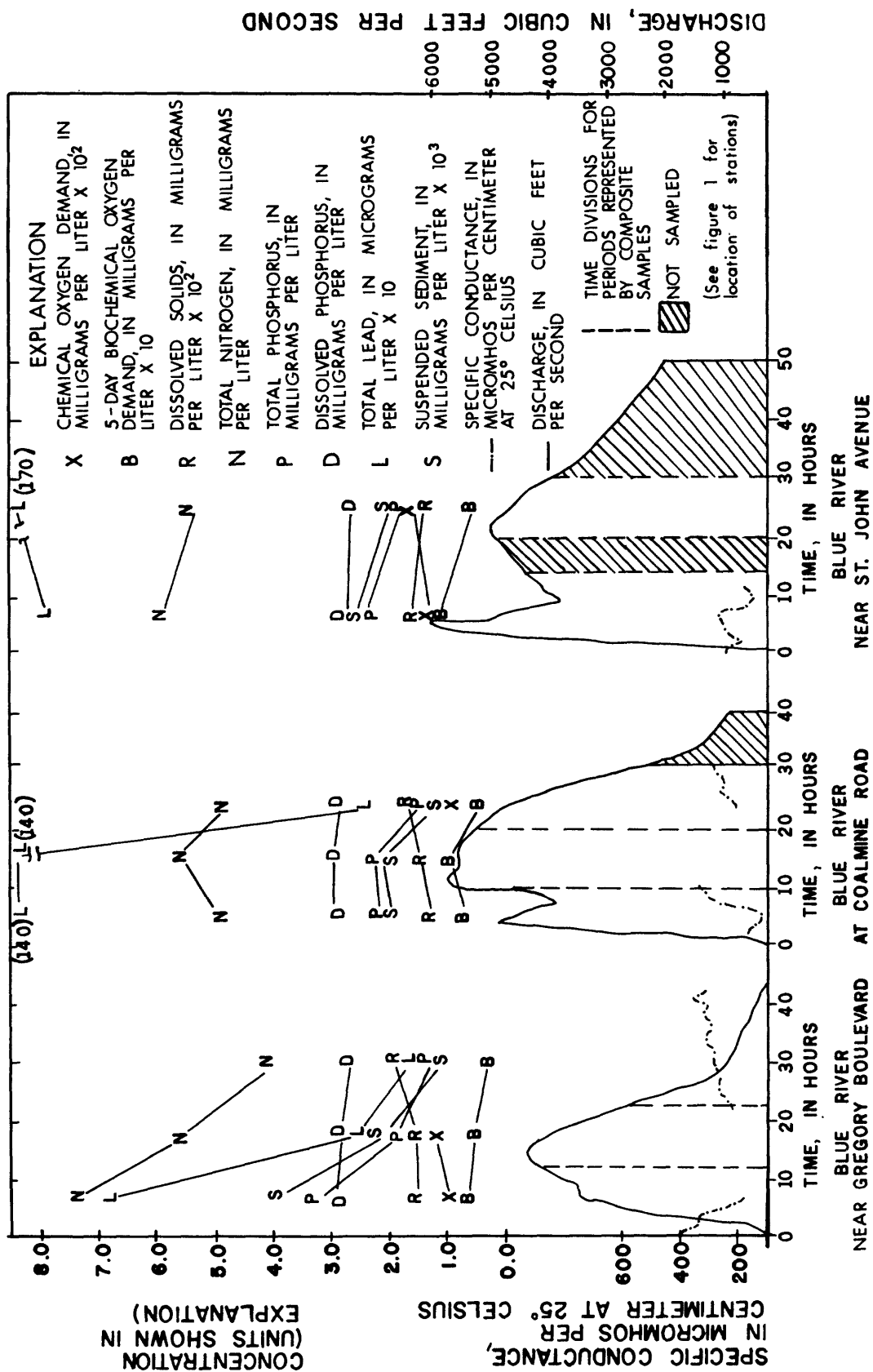


Figure 5.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at all stations on the Blue River for the storm of July 27 - 28, 1981.

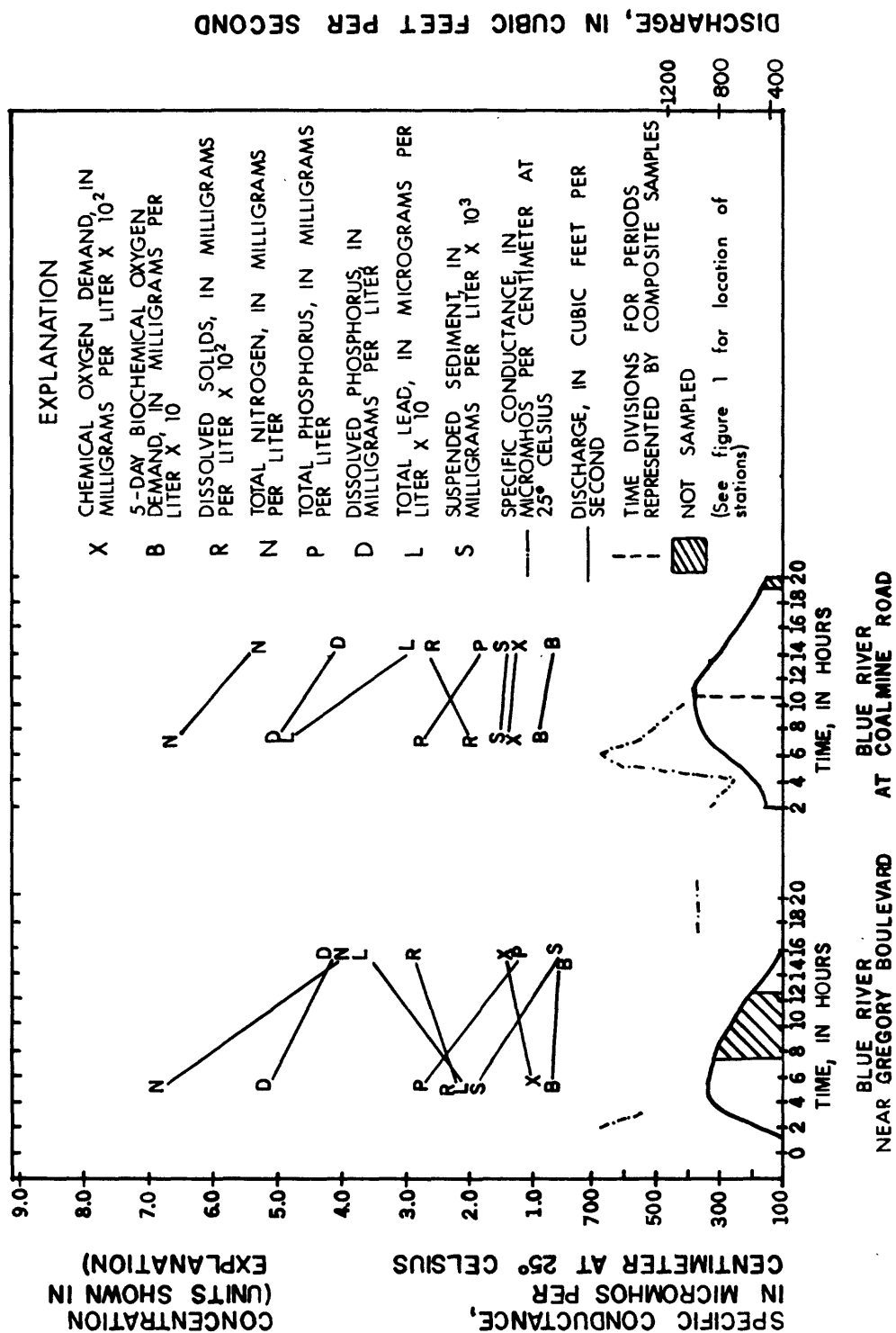


Figure 6.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at selected stations on the Blue River for the storm of September 1, 1981.

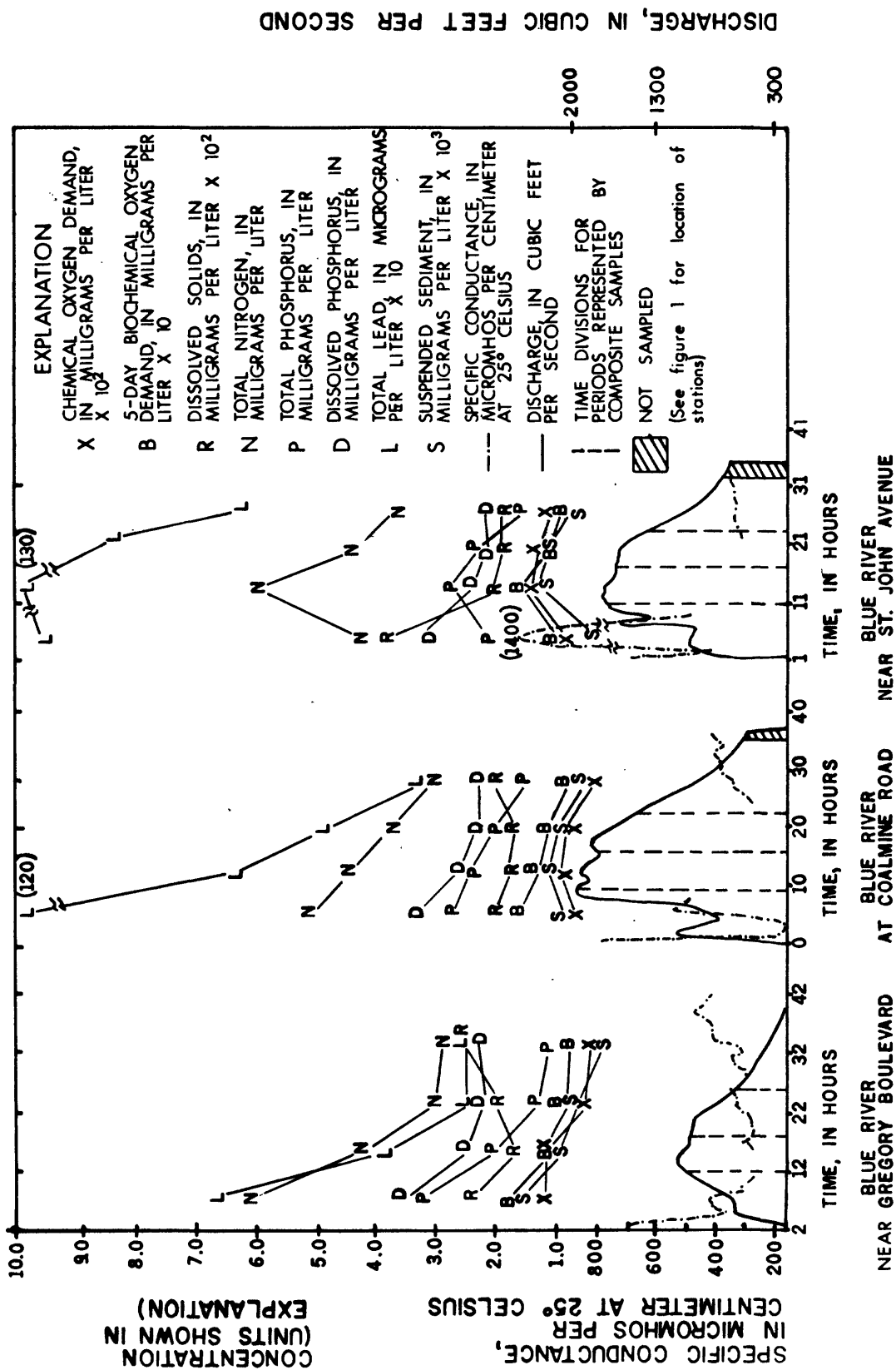


Figure 7.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at all stations on the Blue River for the storm of October 13-14, 1981.

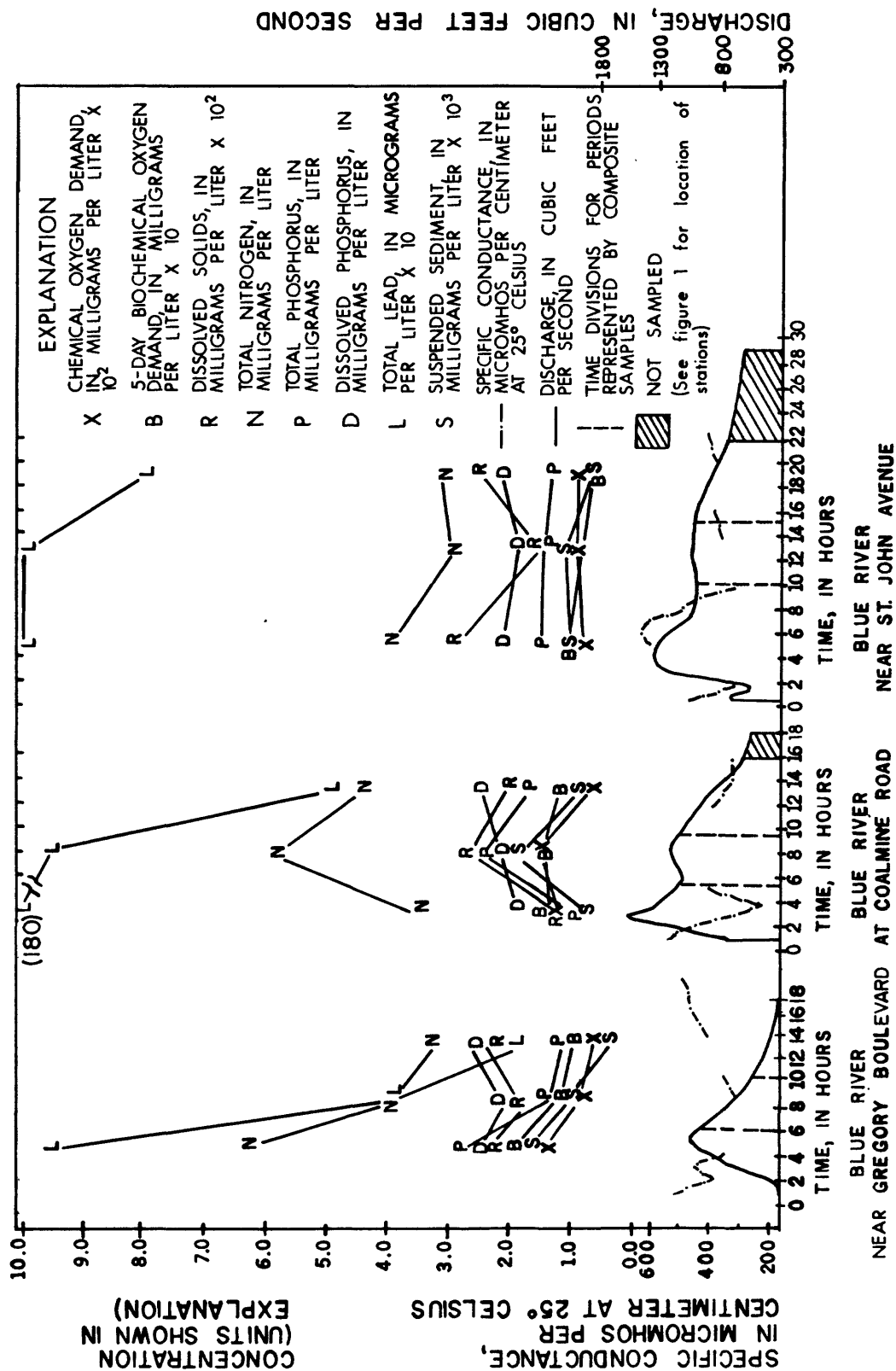


Figure 8.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at all stations on the Blue River for the storm of October 17, 1981.

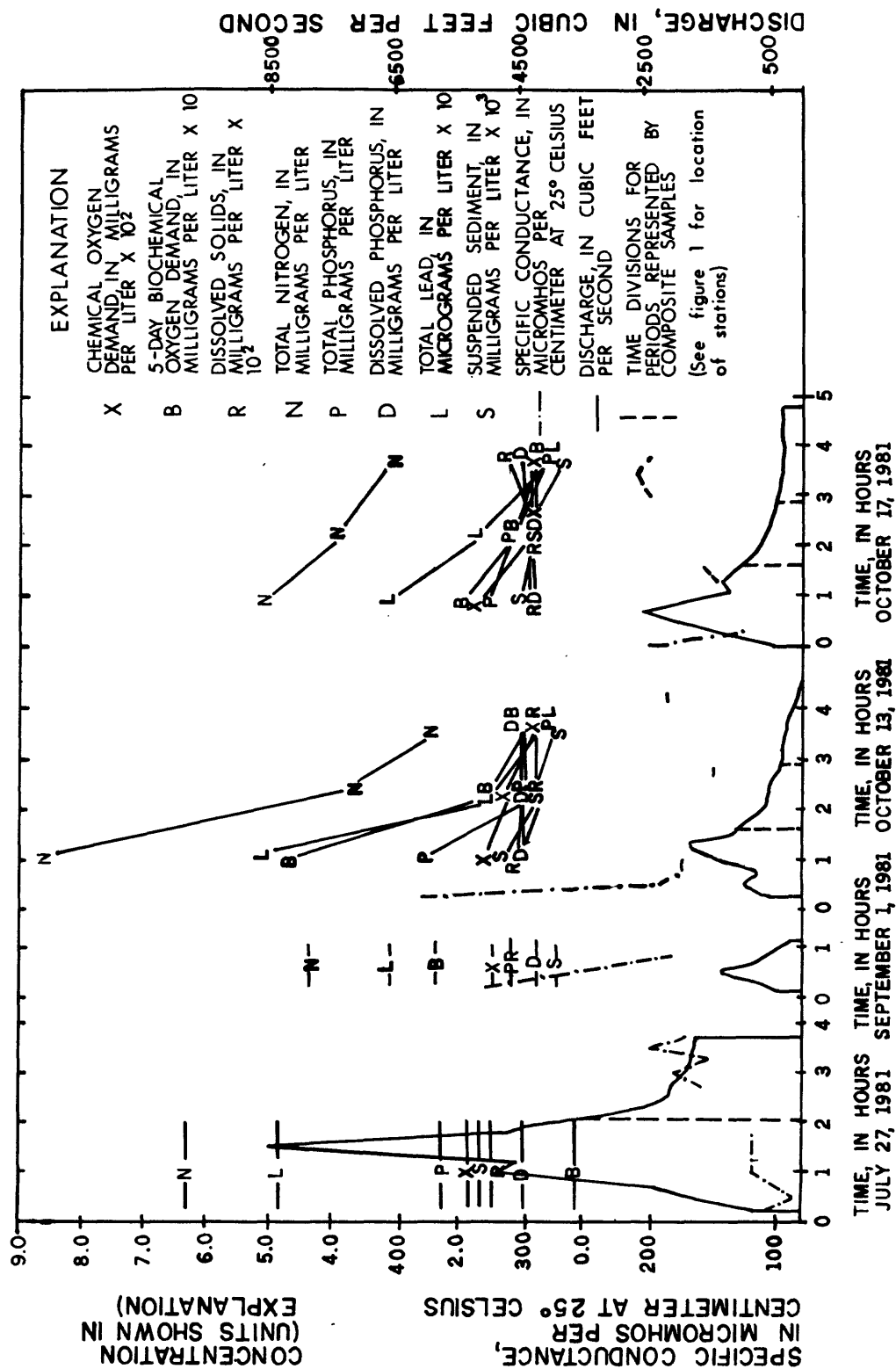


Figure 9.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff on Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue for the storms of July 27-28, September 1, October 13-14, and October 17, 1981.

with suspended-sediment concentrations, (see "Relationship Between Concentrations of Constituents in the Suspended and Dissolved Phases and Sediment" section) only suspended sediment is shown. Trends detected for suspended sediment can be expected for most metals. Total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and dissolved phosphorus are plotted to indicate trends in nutrient concentrations. Total lead is plotted because it is an element related to vehicle exhaust and deposits on urban surfaces and is not well correlated with suspended sediment. Five-day biochemical-oxygen demand, chemical-oxygen demand, and to some extent suspended sediment, are plotted to represent major oxygen-demanding substances. Specific-conductance values were determined for all composite samples and any discrete samples with water remaining in the sample bottle after water for the composites were removed. Where specific-conductance values are available, they are shown as a dashed line on the hydrograph. Concentrations of constituents not plotted in figures 4-9 can be found in the "Supplemental Information" section at the back of this report.

Stormwater-runoff volumes and loads of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand and selected dissolved and total constituents for all storms sampled during 1981 are shown in table 6 for the Blue River stations near Gregory Boulevard, at Coalmine Road, near St. John Avenue, and for Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue. The volumes and loads represented by each composite sample are expressed as a percentage of total storm volumes and loads for the same storms and stations and are shown in tables 7-10.

Storm 1, July 25, 1981

Most of this storm rainfall occurred on the rural, upstream areas of Blue River and Indian Creek. Antecedent rainfall quantities were minimal throughout most of the basin for the week preceding the storm; however, a large rainstorm occurred about 10 days earlier (table 3).

Runoff quality near Gregory Boulevard and at Coalmine Road was represented by three composite samples for storm 1 (fig. 4). Because of the extreme flatness of the hydrograph and an underestimation of discharge at lower gage heights at St. John Avenue, 60 percent of the storm runoff passed the gage in the rising and receding parts of the hydrograph below the gage height of sample activation. Consequently, there were not enough samples to make more than one composite (fig. 4). Brush Creek did not rise enough to allow thorough sampling.

Specific conductance values decreased initially during the runoff at each station as the more mineralized base flow was replaced with less mineralized runoff (fig. 4). The specific-conductance trace for runoff at St. John Avenue shows an abrupt break, indicating the time when base-flow water impounded behind the low-head dams (fig. 1) was replaced by upstream runoff. The BOD₅ also was largest in the first composite and generally decreased in subsequent samples.

Although this storm produced little runoff from urban areas, it produced the largest concentrations of suspended sediment in the Blue River of the five storms. This indicates that the upstream agricultural area is the source for most of the suspended sediment and associated nutrients and metals.

Table 6.--Stormwater-runoff volume and loads of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand and selected dissolved and total constituents at the Blue River and Brush Creek stations for storms during 1981

[Station number (figure 1): 4, Blue River near Gregory Boulevard; 7, Blue River at Coalmine Road; 11, Blue River near St. John Avenue; 6, Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue]

Date of storm	Station number	Stormwater-runoff volume (cubic feet x 10 ⁶)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (tons)	Dissolved solids (tons)	Suspended sediment (tons)	Total nitrogen (tons)
July 25, 1981	4	71.9	22	541	6,940	18
	7	81.0	--	554	7,030	16
	11	81.1	--	742	4,330	13
July 27-28, 1981	6	--	--	--	--	--
	4	329	52	1,630	25,200	60
	7	554	105	2,570	31,000	86
	11	845	108	3,900	55,900	145
Sept. 1, 1981	6	--	--	--	--	--
	4	38.8	8.3	293	1,670	--
	7	51.9	13	384	2,250	--
	11	--	--	--	--	--
Oct. 13-14, 1981	6	3.74	3.8	12.8	46.9	--
	4	94.5	34	628	2,770	12
	7	170	62	1,010	4,420	22
	11	176	62	1,280	4,850	25
Oct. 17, 1981	6	10.9	11	31.8	325	.21
	4	30.6	14	210	1,120	4.7
	7	60.8	25	362	1,990	8.6
	11	65.3	36	499	1,820	7.0
	6	13.4	5.7	35.3	333	1.8

Table 6.--Stormwater-runoff volume and loads of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand and selected dissolved and total constituents at the Blue River and Brush Creek stations for storms during 1981--Continued

Date of storm	Station number	Total phosphorus (tons)	Dissolved phosphorus (tons)	Total lead (tons)	Total zinc (tons)
July 25, 1981	4	6.38	1.3	0.14	0.534
	7	6.27	.70	0.19	0.490
	11	5.39	.84	0.21	0.216
	6	--	--	--	--
July 27-28, 1981	4	22.7	1.7	.40	2.10
	7	31.8	2.0	1.6	3.15
	11	51.7	2.3	3.8	9.53
	6	--	--	--	--
Sept. 1, 1981	4	2.59	.74	.032	.093
	7	3.50	.79	.061	.253
	11	--	--	--	--
	6	.126	.014	.035	.023
Oct. 13-14, 1981	4	5.69	1.6	.11	.468
	7	11.1	2.8	.35	.745
	11	11.5	2.7	.49	1.15
	6	.596	.083	.12	.131
Oct. 17, 1981	4	1.87	.46	.059	.177
	7	3.30	.69	.20	.350
	11	2.83	.58	.19	.397
	6	.527	.073	.096	.110

Table 7.--Percentages of total stormwater-runoff volume and loads of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand and selected dissolved and total constituents represented by each composite sample collected for each storm during 1981 at the Blue River near Gregory Boulevard station

[NS, not sampled; loads from unsampled periods of runoff were estimated from concentrations in samples collected immediately before and after the unsampled period]

Date of storm	Composite-sample number	Percent of total stormwater runoff volume	Percent of total loads						
			5-day biochemical oxygen demand	Dissolved solids	Suspended sediment	Total nitrogen	Total phosphorus	Dissolved phosphorus	Total lead
July 25, 1981	1	28	40	31	26	23	31	72	44
	2	38	31	43	45	42	39	16	39
	3	30	25	23	25	31	26	10	15
	NS	4	4	3	4	4	4	2	2
July 27-28, 1981	1	36	45	33	56	44	51	39	63
	2	41	42	40	34	40	36	41	27
	3	23	13	27	10	16	13	20	10
Sept. 1, 1981	1	46	48	40	64	--	59	62	35
	NS	28	27	29	25	--	26	25	29
	2	26	25	31	11	--	15	13	36
Oct. 13-14, 1981	1	27	40	30	49	41	46	48	48
	2	25	26	20	26	24	25	21	25
	3	28	20	26	18	21	18	17	19
	4	20	14	24	7	14	11	14	8
Oct. 17, 1981	1	50	63	53	73	63	69	56	77
	2	26	20	21	19	20	18	17	16
	3	24	17	26	8	17	13	27	7

Table 8.--Percentages of total stormwater-runoff volume and loads of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand and selected dissolved and total constituents represented by each composite sample collected for each storm during 1981 at the Blue River at Coalmine Road station

[NS, not sampled; loads from unsampled periods of runoff were estimated from concentrations in samples collected immediately before and after the unsampled period]

Date of storm	Composite-sample number	Percent of total storm-water runoff volume	5-day biochemical oxygen demand	Dissolved solids	Suspended sediment	Percent of total loads					Total lead	Total zinc
						Total nitrogen	Total phosphorus	Dissolved phosphorus	Total phosphorus	Total lead		
July 25, 1981	1	35	--	48	35	33	47	77	47	55	39	
	2	27	--	27	31	20	23	14	23	24	28	
	3	26	--	19	25	33	23	9	23	17	23	
	NS	12	--	6	9	14	7	0	7	4	10	
July 27-28, 1981	1	28	32	25	32	28	33	30	33	43	36	
	2	29	39	28	35	32	35	25	35	45	33	
	3	30	20	33	23	28	23	32	23	8	22	
	NS	13	9	14	10	12	9	13	9	4	9	
Sept. 1, 1981	1	46	53	39	48	--	58	70	58	59	55	
	2	46	40	52	44	--	36	25	36	35	38	
	NS	8	7	9	8	--	6	5	6	6	6	
Oct. 13-14, 1981	1	24	33	26	25	31	31	41	31	45	32	
	2	24	24	22	31	26	28	23	28	24	24	
	3	22	21	19	23	20	21	17	21	16	19	
	4	27	20	30	19	21	19	17	19	14	23	
	NS	3	2	3	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	
Oct. 17, 1981	1	32	32	20	21	25	21	16	21	55	36	
	2	25	29	34	44	33	37	24	34	24	24	
	3	33	30	35	27	32	32	46	32	16	23	
	NS	10	9	11	8	10	10	14	10	5	7	

Table 10.--Percentages of total stormwater-runoff volume and loads of 5-day biochemical-oxygen demand and selected dissolved and total constituents represented by each composite sample collected for each storm during 1981 at the Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue station

Date of storm	Composite-sample number	Percent of total storm-water runoff volume	5-day biochemical oxygen demand	Dissolved solids	Suspended sediment	Total nitrogen	Total phosphorus	Dissolved phosphorus	Total lead	Total zinc
Oct. 13-14, 1981	1	57	83	66	73	79	80	59	85	81
	2	26	12	20	19	15	14	25	12	15
	3	17	5	14	8	6	6	16	3	4
Oct. 17, 1981	1	59	73	52	68	68	69	55	79	74
	2	23	17	22	25	20	21	21	16	20
	3	18	10	26	7	12	10	24	5	6

Both suspended-sediment concentrations and loads show the effects of small runoff contributions from the downstream, urbanized part of the basin (table 6). Runoff entered the sampled reach at Gregory Boulevard with the largest concentrations of suspended sediment because the sediment-carrying capacity of the stream decreased with attenuation of the hydrograph in a downstream direction. The total storm load of suspended-sediment was nearly constant between Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road and decreased between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue. Most of the suspended sediment in the downstream reach probably was deposited behind two low-head dams just upstream from the St. John Avenue site (fig. 1).

Total nutrient and metals concentrations, which are closely associated with suspended sediment, were larger for this storm than any other near Gregory Boulevard and at Coalmine Road (fig. 3, table 5). Distribution of concentrations and loads show suspended-sediment concentrations peaking during the middle part of the runoff at both stations, indicating discharge as the controlling factor (fig. 4, tables 7-8).

Nitrification is apparent because of the small volume of runoff downstream. Downstream, ammonia and organic nitrogen decreased by almost 50 percent, whereas nitrite and nitrate nitrogen increased by more than 40 percent. Although some unoxidized nitrogen probably was deposited with the sediment between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue, it appears that nitrification occurred during the movement downstream.

Dissolved phosphorus and total lead were the only constituents that could be described as being flushed by initial runoff. About 75 percent of the dissolved-phosphorus and slightly more than 50 percent of the total-lead loads were in the first one-third of the volume at both the Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road stations (tables 7 and 8).

Storm 2, July 27-28, 1981

The volume of runoff for storm 2 was greater than that for the other four 1981 storms combined because 1.3 to 3.4 inches of rain fell on the Blue River basin after receiving significant rainfall 2 days earlier (table 3). The largest rainfall occurred on the Brush Creek basin in contrast with storm 1, which primarily occurred in the upstream agricultural areas.

Most concentrations of BOD₅ and dissolved constituents were smaller for this storm than any other because of dilution (fig. 3, table 5). However, the large volume of runoff from this storm caused the total loads of most constituents in Blue River to be larger than the total of the other four storms (table 6).

The distribution of concentrations and loads during runoff had different patterns at each station (fig. 5, tables 7-9). At Gregory Boulevard more than one-half the suspended-sediment load was transported during the first one-third of the volume. Total lead showed an even more notable flushing pattern, and BOD₅ showed a gradual decrease during runoff.

At Coalmine Road, inflows from Brush Creek diluted concentrations of most constituents in the first composite sample, decreasing the effects of upstream flushing (fig. 5). Concentrations of most constituents in the remaining

composite samples were similar to concentrations in the last two composite samples collected at Gregory Boulevard. Specific conductance values at Coalmine Road (fig. 5) show a significant initial decrease, resulting from dilution by less mineralized water from Brush Creek. Although concentration and loads of suspended sediment from Brush Creek were larger for this storm than for any other, they were still less than those in the Blue River. A sampler malfunction prevented the collection of a composite sample representing the last part of stormwater runoff at Coalmine Road.

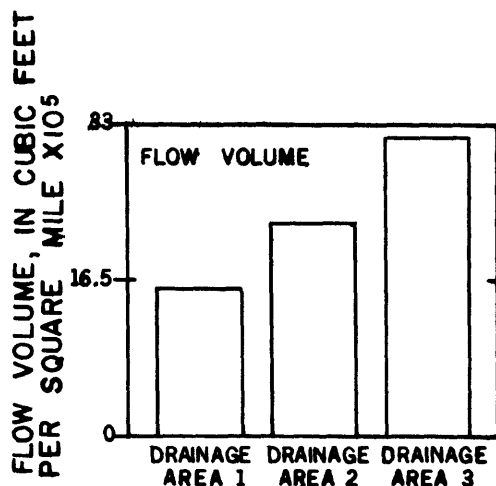
At St. John Avenue, malfunction of the automatic sampler prevented sampling of parts of the stormwater runoff and only two composite samples could be obtained. Loads for missing periods were estimated by interpolation or extrapolation of concentrations nearest the missing period. The discharge hydrograph (fig. 5) shows a rapid rise and decline from local urban runoff and show little trend in loads or concentrations during runoff.

Flow volume and total loadings of six constituents per unit area for three parts of the Blue River basin are shown in figure 10: (1) Blue River upstream from Gregory Boulevard, (2) the intervening drainage area between Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road, and (3) the intervening drainage area between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue. These bar charts indicate loadings for suspended sediment, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, dissolved solids, total lead, and total zinc were greater for the urban areas than for the upstream agricultural areas. The primary cause for the downstream increase in loads was the increase in runoff per unit drainage area (fig. 10) that resulted from larger quantities of rain and larger percentages of impervious surfaces in the urban areas.

Suspended-sediment loads nearly doubled between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue with only a 9 percent increase in drainage area, which indicates the unlined channel in lower Brush Creek and Blue River between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue was the main source of sediment (table 6). Similar increases occurred for the nutrients and metals associated with sediment. Concentrations of total lead and total zinc increased downstream through the urban reach of the Blue River (fig. 3). Despite the large volume of runoff, Brush Creek had the largest lead and zinc concentrations in storm 2 of all those sampled (table 5), probably from resuspension of lead-laden sediment in the unlined channel of lower Brush Creek. The total-lead load quadrupled and the total-zinc load increased 50 percent in Blue River between Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road (table 6) with only an 18 percent increase in drainage area.

Storm 3, September 1, 1981

Storm 3 was relatively small, with rainfall being largest in the upstream part of the Blue River basin (table 3). Only minor rainfall was recorded during the previous 3 days; however, more than 1 inch of rainfall was recorded in large parts of the basin from 3 to 7 days before this storm. One-half inch of rainfall was enough to produce a small rise at the gage on Brush Creek, but Blue River was not high enough to sample at St. John Avenue, the farthest downstream site. At Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road the storm was of such short duration that only two composites could be made at each site. Twenty-seven percent of the hydrograph at Gregory Boulevard was missed because of sampler malfunction. Loads for this period were interpolated from composite concentrations on either side of the missing period.



EXPLANATION

DRAINAGE AREA 1	BLUE RIVER UPSTREAM FROM GREGORY BOULEVARD (209 square miles)
DRAINAGE AREA 2	BLUE RIVER BETWEEN GREGORY BOULEVARD AND COALMINE ROAD (38 square miles)
DRAINAGE AREA 3	BLUE RIVER BETWEEN COALMINE ROAD AND ST JOHN AVENUE (22 square miles)

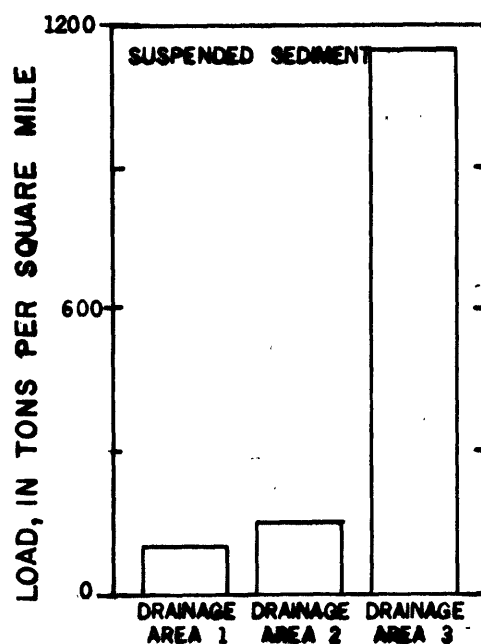
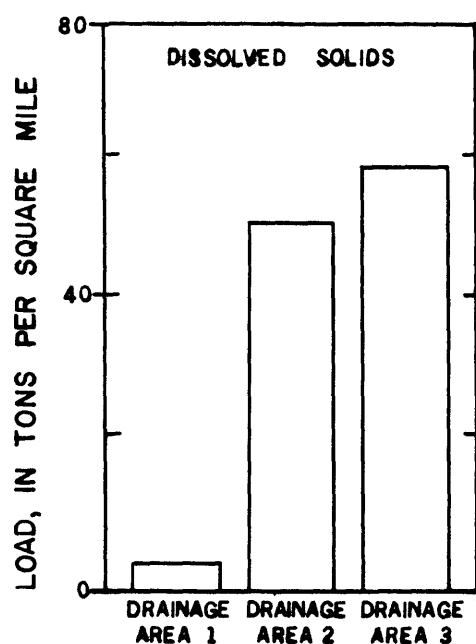


Figure 10.--Flow volume and loads for six constituents in stormwater runoff for the storm of July 27-28, 1981, for three incremental drainage areas in the Blue River basin.

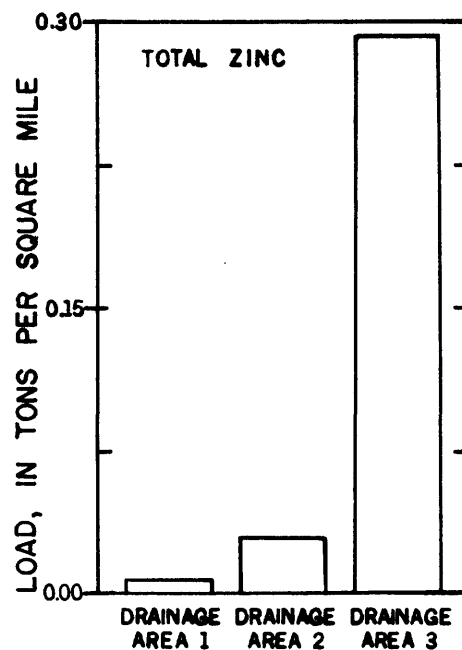
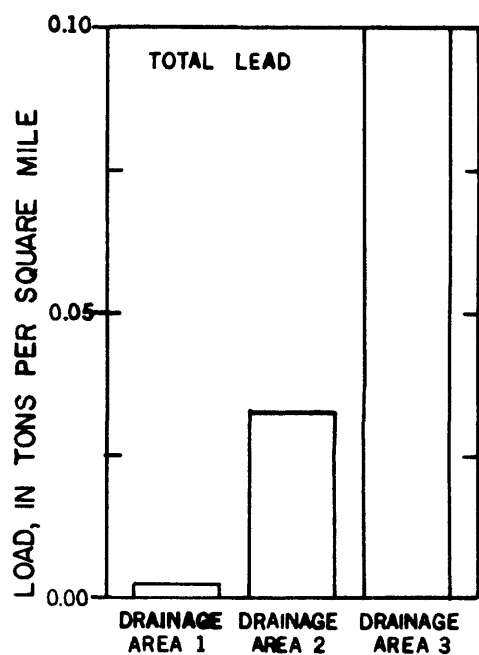
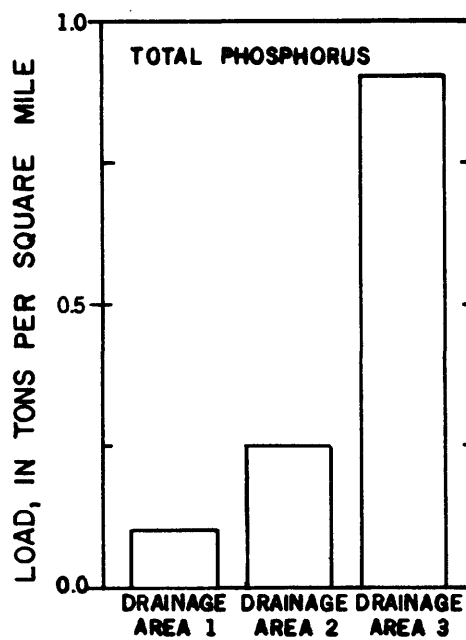
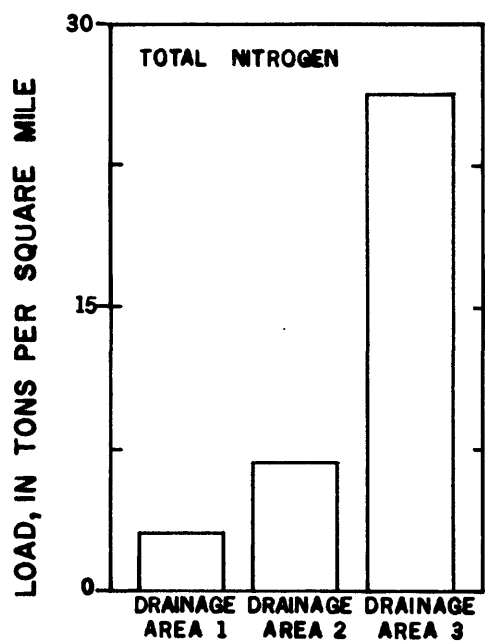


Figure 10.--Flow volume and loads for six constituents in stormwater runoff for the storm of July 27-28, 1981, for three incremental drainage areas in the Blue River basin --Continued.

The average BOD₅ from Brush Creek was three times that found in Blue River and was more than 75 times that from Brush Creek in the previous storm (table 5). This large concentration can be attributed to combined sewer overflows diluted by only small volumes of runoff.

Although concentrations of suspended sediment and most dissolved constituents were smaller in runoff coming from Brush Creek than Blue River (table 5), the effects were not discernible at Coalmine Road (fig. 3), because the volume of runoff in Blue River was more than 13 times that from Brush Creek (table 6). Concentration and load of suspended sediment were larger during the first one-half of the flow volume than the second one-half at Gregory Boulevard (fig. 6, table 7). Concentrations of most constituents decreased in the second one-half of the flow volume at both Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road.

Lead concentrations from Brush Creek were more than 11 times the concentrations at Gregory Boulevard (table 5). Large concentrations of lead in the small volume of runoff from Brush Creek increased the average lead concentrations at Coalmine Road 50 percent and contributed one-half of the total lead load. Zinc concentrations increased 50 percent as the total storm load increased 270 percent between Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road, indicating zinc is another constituent significantly associated with urban runoff in Blue River.

Storm 4, October 13-14, 1981

Storm 4 was of moderate intensity and produced 2 inches of rainfall throughout the basin (table 3). The peak discharge was limited by the lack of antecedent moisture and the relatively long period in which the rain fell. No rainfall had occurred in the basin during the week before the storm, and 1 inch or less of rain had fallen during the previous 2 weeks. Four composite samples were prepared for each Blue River station and three for Brush Creek, which allowed the best definition of concentration distribution for any of the storms.

The relatively long dry period before this storm allowed materials to build up in the sewers on the Brush Creek basin. The flushing of this buildup was reflected in large BOD₅ levels, which were almost three times those found in Blue River (table 5). Sewage materials also caused the average concentrations of organic nitrogen in Brush Creek runoff to be almost twice that found in Blue River (table 5). The average concentration of dissolved solids showed the familiar decrease at Coalmine Road due to Brush Creek and a strong recovery at St. John Avenue.

Despite a dry basin, concentrations of suspended sediment were smaller for this storm than any other (fig. 3), probably because of low-intensity, less-erosive rainfall, and the consequent lower peak discharge. Concentrations of suspended sediment and associated nutrients and metals were similar throughout the sampled reach of Blue River (fig. 3, table 5).

Once again, concentrations of lead and zinc steadily increased downstream (fig. 3). Lead concentrations from Brush Creek were about 10 times those found in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (table 5). More than one-third of the total lead load in Blue River at Coalmine Road came from Brush Creek, which represents only 12 percent of the drainage area (table 1 and 6). Zinc concentrations doubled between Gregory Boulevard and St. John Avenue.

At Gregory Boulevard, specific-conductance values decreased during initial flows and slowly recovered as runoff decreased. Also, 46 to 49 percent of the suspended-sediment, dissolved-phosphorus, and total-lead loads occurred in the first 27 percent of the flow volume at this station (fig. 7). These figures and trends indicate that buildups of soluble, loose particulate, and oxygen-demanding substances occur in agricultural areas during dry periods of 1 week or more. These materials tend to be readily removed during the first part of a hydrograph if runoff is sufficient to carry the material to the channel.

At Coalmine Road the same basin patterns existed, except the first composite sample was affected by inflows from Brush Creek as shown by the decrease in specific conductance during the first part of the hydrograph (fig. 6). Brush Creek runoff caused the first composite sample at Coalmine Road to have concentrations of dissolved solids and suspended sediment less than, and lead concentrations larger than, the first composite sample at Gregory Boulevard.

At St. John Avenue the distribution of BOD₅, suspended sediment, lead, and other constituents are similar to those found at Gregory Boulevard after the first composite sample (fig. 6). A significant increase in specific-conductance values, a large concentration of dissolved-solids and nutrients, and smaller concentrations of BOD₅, suspended sediment, total nitrogen, and lead in the first sample probably were caused by a mixture of initial urban runoff, combined-sewer overflow, and previously impounded water from behind the two low-head dams.

At Brush Creek the large initial concentrations of BOD₅, phosphorus, total nitrogen, and lead and their rapid decrease show a significant flush of street surfaces and combined sewers (fig. 9). Concentrations of suspended sediment and dissolved solids also decreased throughout the hydrograph. The first composite sample represents more than one-half the total flow volume (table 10) and probably had been diluted by relatively clean runoff following the initial flush. Therefore, the concentrations of most constituents in this sample do not represent the maximum concentrations present during the initial 10 to 30 percent of runoff from sewers and urban surfaces. The significant decrease in specific conductance values at the beginning of the hydrograph probably defines the end of the flush.

Storm 5, October 17, 1981

Storm 5 occurred 3 days after storm 4; therefore, storm 5 typifies low build-up conditions on the basin and in the sewers. The storm produced only 0.4 to 1.1 inches of rain, which fell on moist soils (table 3). The smallest quantities of rainfall occurred in the upstream part of the basin and the largest quantities in the middle of the basin.

Mean values of BOD₅ during runoff from storm 5 were relatively large. BOD₅ levels were 13 milligrams per liter in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard, Coalmine Road, and Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (table 5). Large quantities of diluted runoff from Brush Creek caused the concentration of dissolved solids to decrease at Coalmine Road, followed by recovery at St. John Avenue.

Table 11.--Percentage of total concentrations of selected constituents in the suspended phase in stormwater runoff at Blue River stations for storms during 1981

Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)			Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)			Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)		
	Number of samples	Percent		Number of samples	Percent		Number of samples	Percent	
		Mean	Range		Mean	Range		Mean	Range
Nitrite and nitrate	6	2	1-8	6	1	0-6	3	0	0-0
Ammonia	13	33	0-72	13	64	6-100	10	55	10-73
Organic nitrogen	13	79	58-84	9	75	54-89	10	79	61-86
Phosphorus	15	85	51-94	15	85	66-96	10	91	58-96
Arsenic	15	73	0-89	15	74	50-93	10	79	50-88
Chromium	15	93	0-100	15	87	50-100	10	86	67-100
Copper	15	87	79-97	15	91	79-97	10	96	93-98
Iron	15	99	79-100	15	100	100-100	10	100	100-100
Lead	15	91	73-100	15	93	84-100	10	97	92-100
Manganese	15	99	95-100	14	99	94-100	10	98	81-100
Zinc	15	78	18-93	15	83	67-96	10	91	78-93
Percentage of sediment finer than 0.062 millimeter	15	85	58-94	15	83	68-90	10	79	56-89

Concentrations of suspended sediment were small and constant throughout the sampled reach of Blue River, resulting from a small storm on a well-washed surface (fig. 3, table 5). A small decrease in suspended-sediment load occurred between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue (table 6). As in storm 1, sediments probably were trapped behind the two low-head dams.

Nutrient concentrations, both dissolved and suspended, were small and decreased throughout the reach because of small concentrations of suspended sediments, the deposition of suspended sediment, and low build-up conditions (fig. 3, tables 5, 6). Although lead showed a typical large increase in concentration at Coalmine Road from Brush Creek runoff, a small decrease in lead concentration between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue occurred for the first and only time. This decrease was caused by the loss of suspended sediment. Zinc, however, repeated the pattern of increasing concentration downstream through the sampled reach. Relatively large BOD₅ levels of 13 milligrams per liter were detected on Blue River near Gregory Boulevard, Coalmine Road, and Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue.

At Gregory Boulevard, concentrations for the first composite sample were the largest for nearly all constituents and properties with decreases throughout the period of runoff (fig. 8). Specific-conductance values decreased to a minimum near the peak discharge and slowly recovered as flow receded. Seventy-three percent of the suspended-sediment load occurred during the first one-half of the volume at Gregory Boulevard (table 7).

The same patterns described at Gregory Boulevard probably would have appeared at Coalmine Road, but the first sample was affected by Brush Creek inflow. These effects include smaller concentrations of dissolved nutrients, suspended sediment and associated nutrients and metals, and larger concentrations of lead. The strong effect of Brush Creek is shown on the discharge hydrograph and specific-conductance trace from Coalmine Road (fig. 8).

Most sampled constituents at St. John Avenue show less fluctuation during the period of runoff than at the other Blue River stations. This moderation resulted from the low build-up conditions on the basin and the recent flushing of base-flow water from behind the two low-head dams. Specific-conductance values displayed several fluctuations apparently related to discharge. The initial pulse of runoff from the local urban areas caused an initial decrease in specific conductance similar to that found at Coalmine Road just downstream from Brush Creek. However, an increase in specific conductance during the second, larger pulse of runoff was not typical of urban runoff and is attributed to combined-sewer overflows of some other source. Lead concentrations were large in the first 55 percent of the volume at St. John Avenue, indicating that most of the the rain fell on the downstream, urban parts of the basin.

Concentrations of constituents in Brush Creek runoff showed a typical decrease throughout the hydrograph, although the initial flush was less pronounced due to low build-up conditions (fig. 9).

Summary of Composite-Sampling Data for 1981

The different watershed conditions and different storm patterns that occurred during 1981 caused differences in the quality of storm water runoff in the Blue River. However, several trends were repeated in all or nearly all five

storms, and several phenomena were identified as the result of the shape of the Blue River basin or the special characteristics of an individual storm.

The differences in values of several properties and in concentrations of several constituents during runoff at a given station was partially controlled by the long, narrow shape of the Blue River basin (fig. 1). This shape usually causes runoff from the farthest downstream tributaries to pass a gage on the mainstem before runoff from upstream tributaries arrives. Consequently, during the first part of stormwater runoff at Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue, discharge, specific conductance, and several constituent concentrations fluctuated as runoff from different urban tributaries, combined-sewer overflows, and the upstream agricultural areas passed these stations at different times. For example, at Coalmine Road, the first composite samples were mostly stormwater runoff from Brush Creek and, therefore, were of a different character than the later samples of stormwater runoff from the upstream agricultural areas.

The type of stormwater runoff from Brush Creek was considerably different from that in Blue River. Generally, mean values of turbidity and mean concentrations of dissolved solids, nitrite and nitrate, suspended sediment, and most total metals, were smaller than those in the Blue River, whereas mean concentrations of total lead and zinc were larger than those in Blue River. Concentrations and loads of constituents in stormwater runoff from Brush Creek were primarily affected by the quantity of materials accumulated on the surface and in the combined sewers before the storm and the quantity of flow available for dilution. The large areas of impervious surfaces and concrete-lined channels limited the quantity of material that could be washed away, but increased runoff volumes resulted in larger loads per unit drainage area from Brush Creek than from the undeveloped areas during some storms. Five-day biochemical-oxygen demand, dissolved solids, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and total lead all showed flushing characteristics in Brush Creek.

Specific-conductance values and dissolved-solids concentrations were smaller in the Blue River when urban contributions of stormwater runoff were significant or when the discharge was large. Runoff from Brush Creek decreased the mean concentration of dissolved solids in Blue River at Coalmine Road during every storm. However, mean concentrations of dissolved solids were larger downstream at St. John Avenue during almost every storm because of the two low-head dams that trap base flow. Water from behind these dams is flushed out by upstream runoff and causes a slightly larger mean concentration of dissolved solids.

The primary source of suspended sediment (and several associated nutrients and metals) was the agricultural areas in the upstream part of the Blue River basin. However, sediment deposits in the channel, banks, and small impoundments of the downstream reaches were readily available for resuspension by more dilute urban runoff entering the mainstem of the Blue River (storm 2). Mean concentrations and total loads of suspended sediment were greater for storms of larger peak discharge if the total volume of flow was comparable (storms 1 and 4). At Gregory Boulevard, upstream from most urbanization, suspended sediment, dissolved phosphorus, and several constituents associated with sediment usually were concentrated in the first one-fourth to one-half of the flow volume.

Total-lead concentrations and loads increased significantly during almost every storm throughout the urban reaches of Blue River. Contributions of lead to Blue River from Brush Creek were disproportionately large relative to their respective drainage areas. This characteristic is caused by engine exhausts from the large volume of automobile traffic in the Brush Creek basin. Total-zinc concentrations and loads also increased throughout the downstream, urban reaches of the Blue River in four out of five storms, although no source can be positively identified.

Relationship Between Concentrations of Constituents in the Suspended and Dissolved Phases and Sediment

Concentrations of constituents in the suspended phase, computed as a percentage of the total concentrations for each sample, show that all metals were significantly associated with suspended-sediment (tables 11 and 12). Mean percentages of metals in the suspended phase generally were greater than 80 percent for all stations on the Blue River and Brush Creek. Most nutrients also were in the suspended phase with the major exception of nitrite and nitrate, which were nearly all dissolved. A significant part of total ammonia was in the dissolved phase, but the mean percentage of organic nitrogen and phosphorus in the suspended phase always was more than 75 percent. Therefore, decreasing the quantity of suspended sediments could be expected to decrease total concentrations of nutrients and metals in storm runoff as well as decrease the exposure of base-flow water to the pollutant-laden sediments deposited in the channel.

Concentrations of all properties and constituents in composite samples collected on Blue River were plotted and correlated with one another. Regression equations and coefficients of determination (r^2) are shown in table 13 for all relationships that had correlation coefficients larger than 0.70 and were not related through a third variable (such as iron and manganese, which are both related to sediment). The scatter of data around these regression lines is shown in figure 11. Correlation coefficients (r) for all relationships with r between 0.50 and 0.70 are shown in table 14.

These tables and graphs show that concentrations of several metals, several nutrients, and dissolved solids can be estimated from relationships with specific conductance and suspended sediment. Specific conductance was well correlated with concentrations of dissolved solids, dissolved nitrite and nitrate, total ammonia, and dissolved ammonia. Suspended sediment was well correlated with total organic nitrogen, total nitrogen, total phosphorus, and total organic carbon concentrations. The relationships between suspended sediment and all metals, except lead and zinc, had coefficients of determination larger than 0.54. The relationships between suspended sediment and lead and zinc were less significant because of the increased quantities of lead and zinc on sediments in the reaches of Blue River that received larger volumes of urban runoff.

Comparison of Stormwater-Runoff Quality with Water-Quality Standards and with Base-Flow Water Quality

Volume-weighted, mean concentrations of selected trace elements in the stormwater runoff at the Blue River and Brush Creek stations for each sampled storm during 1981 are compared in table 15 with numeric aquatic-life criteria

Table 1c.--Percentage of total concentrations of selected constituents in the suspended phase in stormwater runoff from Brush Creek and the land-use sites for storms during 1981

Constituent	Number of samples	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)			Number of samples	Blue River trib. at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1)			Number of samples	Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1)		
		Mean	Percent	Range		Mean	Percent	Range		Mean	Percent	Range
Nitrite and nitrate	1	0		0-0	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Ammonia	6	43		12-50	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Organic nitrogen	6	78		52-92	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
Phosphorus	8	88		60-90	11	40		9-67	13	66		25-100
Arsenic	8	79		29-86	12	22		0-62	12	(a)		(a)
Chromium	8	90		86-100	6	50		11-100	2	(a)		(a)
Copper	8	92		65-97	13	73		44-97	17	66		5-83
Iron	8	99		97-100	13	95		64-100	17	95		76-100
Lead	8	99		95-100	12	91		33-100	14	94		73-100
Manganese	8	84		71-100	11	95		66-100	17	82		11-92
Zinc	8	93		56-98	11	53		0-84	17	62		2-90
Percentage of solids finer than 0.062 millimeter	8	42		30-88	5	58		47-73	12	74		20-87

^aConcentrations too small to calculate meaningful percentages.

Table 13.--Regression equations having correlation coefficients (r) more than 0.70 for properties and constituents in stormwater runoff at Blue River stations for storms during 1981

[units are in milligrams per liter, except as indicated; r², coefficient of determination]

Number of samples	Independent variable (X)	Dependent variable (Y)	Equation	r ²	Standard error of estimate (units same as Y)
40	Specific conductance (micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C)	Dissolved solids	$Y = 0.475X + 42.7$	0.77	27
19	Specific conductance (micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C)	Dissolved nitrite and nitrate (as nitrogen)	$Y = 0.00216X + 0.491$	.52	.20
16	5-day biochemical oxygen demand	Dissolved nitrite and nitrate (as nitrogen)	$Y = 0.0568X + 0.679$	.53	.16
38	Suspended sediment	Suspended solids	$Y = 0.619X + 207$	.76	329
36	Suspended sediment	Total organic nitrogen	$Y = 0.00121X + 1.70$	0.65	0.86
40	Suspended sediment	Total organic and ammonia nitrogen	$Y = 0.00117X + 2.31$	.59	.91
36	Suspended sediment	Total nitrogen	$Y = 0.00132X + 2.89$	.68	.87
40	Suspended sediment	Total arsenic (micrograms per liter)	$Y = 0.00319X + 5.16$	.62	2.3
40	Suspended sediment	Total chromium (micrograms per liter)	$Y = 0.0160X + 12.7$	.70	9.8
40	Suspended sediment	Total copper (micrograms per liter)	$Y = 0.0166X + 21.7$	.54	14

Table 13.--Regression equations having correlation coefficients (r) more than 0.70 for properties and constituents in stormwater runoff at Blue River stations for storms during 1981--Continued

Number of samples	Independent variable (X)	Dependent variable (Y)	Equation	r ²	Standard error of estimate (units same as Y)
40	Suspended sediment	Total iron (micrograms per liter)	$Y = 14.6X + 6560$	0.84	5,900
40	Suspended sediment	Total manganese (micrograms per liter)	$Y = 0.485X + 364$	.73	270
24	Suspended sediment	Total organic carbon	$Y = 0.00651X + 21.2$	.67	4.8
15	Total nitrite and nitrate (as nitrogen)	Dissolved nitrite and nitrate (as nitrogen)	$Y = 0.811X + 0.334$	.90	.10
36	Total ammonia (as nitrogen)	Dissolved ammonia (as nitrogen)	$Y = 0.790X - 0.0623$	.73	.15
40	Dissolved ammonia (as nitrogen)	Dissolved phosphorus	$Y = 0.773X + 0.149$	.75	.20
36	Total organic nitrogen	Total nitrogen	$Y = 1.01X + 1.35$	.89	.51
36	Total organic and ammonia nitrogen	Total organic nitrogen	$Y = 0.979X - 0.406$	.95	.32
24	Total organic and ammonia nitrogen	Total organic carbon	$Y = 4.53X + 12.4$	.79	3.8
40	Total lead (micrograms per liter)	Total zinc (micrograms per liter)	$Y = 1.41X + 102$	.58	52

Table 14.--Correlation coefficients (r) between 0.50 and 0.70 for selected properties and constituents in stormwater runoff at the Blue River stations for storms during 1981

Variable	Variable	Number of samples	r
Specific conductance	Total ammonia	36	0.68
Specific conductance	Dissolved ammonia	40	.68
Dissolved solids	Dissolved nitrite and nitrate	19	.66
Dissolved solids	Total ammonia	36	.61
Dissolved solids	Dissolved ammonia	40	.53
Suspended solids	Total zinc	38	.51
Suspended sediment	Chemical-oxygen demand	35	.64
Suspended sediment	Total phosphorus	40	.67
Dissolved nitrite and nitrate	Dissolved ammonia	19	.60
Total ammonia	Total phosphorus	36	.55
Total organic nitrogen	Dissolved organic nitrogen	32	.51
Dissolved organic nitrogen	Total organic and ammonia nitrogen	34	.61
Dissolved ammonia and organic nitrogen	Dissolved ammonia nitrogen	40	.65
Dissolved copper	Total copper	40	.51
Total organic carbon	Dissolved organic nitrogen	22	.55

Table 15.--Comparison of Missouri water-quality standards for aquatic life with mean total concentrations of selected trace elements in samples from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981

[Results in micrograms per liter, except where indicated as milligrams per liter (mg/L); EPA, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency]

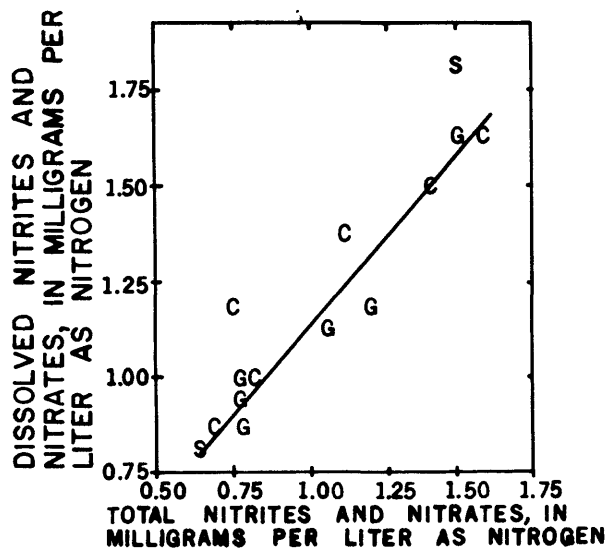
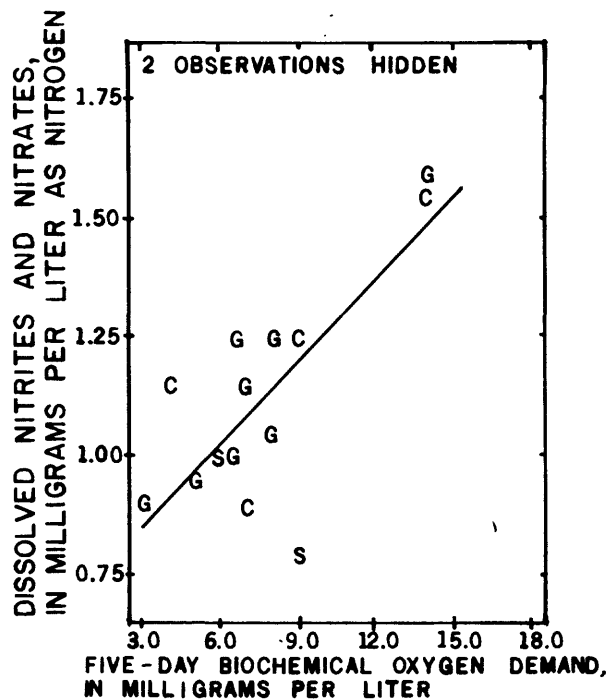
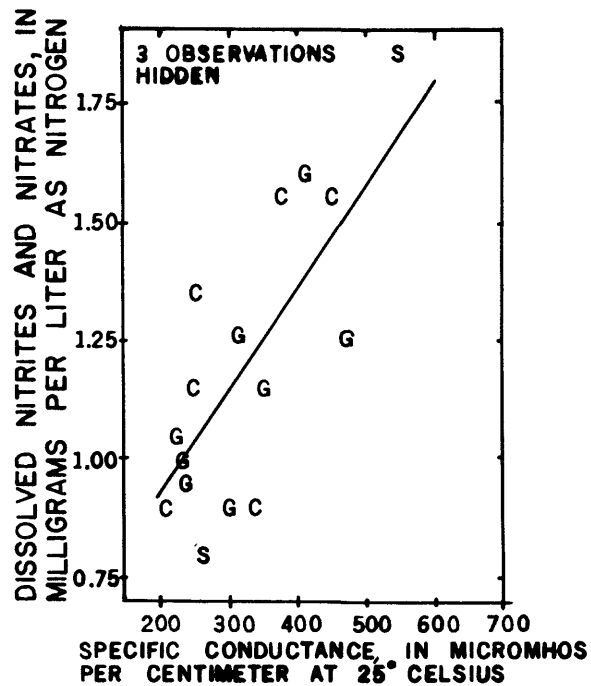
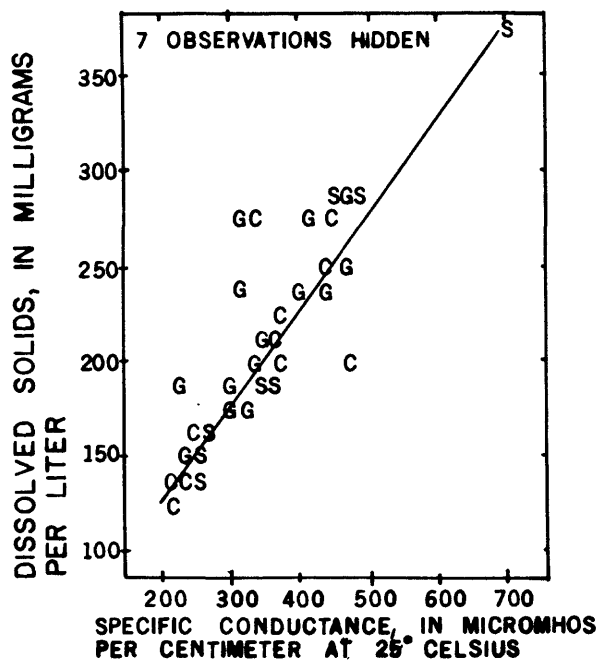
Trace element	Missouri water-quality standards for aquatic life	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)					Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)				
		Storm number ²					Storm number ²				
		1	2	3	4	5	1	2	3	4	5
Arsenic	20	15	14	5	7	8	14	11	8	8	10
Cadmium	12	1	1	5	1	0	1	1	0	1	1
Chromium	50	60	50	20	30	30	60	40	20	20	40
Copper	20	80	53	31	29	50	68	51	38	31	37
Iron (mg/L)	1	51	44	21	20	25	47	36	28	16	23
Lead	50	64	38	26	38	62	77	100	39	66	109
Mercury	2	.3	.2	.1	.1	.1	.2	.2	.0	.6	.3
Zinc	100	250	200	110	120	180	240	210	170	140	200

Table 15.--Comparison of Missouri water-quality standards for aquatic life with mean total concentrations of selected trace elements in samples from the Blue River and Brush Creek for storms during 1981--Continued

Trace element	Missouri water-quality standards for aquatic life	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)					Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)				
		Storm number ²					Storm number ²				
		1	2	4	5		2	3	4	5	
Arsenic	20	9	13	10	7		21	5	9	10	
Cadmium	12	1	1	2	3		2	3	3	2	
Chromium	50	50	50	30	30		70	30	50	20	
Copper	20	51	62	45	47		100	46	58	43	
Iron (mg/L)	1	37	39	19	18		31	8.6	18	15	
Lead	50	82	114	93	94		480	300	345	226	
Mercury	2	.2	.2	.1	.2		.5	.2	.4	.2	
Zinc	100	230	310	240	270		540	270	380	260	

¹Missouri Department of Natural Resources, 1984.

²Storm 1, July 25, 1981; storm 2, July 27-28, 1981; storm 3, September 1, 1981; storm 4, October 13-14, 1981; storm 5, October 17, 1981.



EXPLANATION

- G—BLUE RIVER NEAR GREGORY BOULEVARD
- C—BLUE RIVER AT COALMINE ROAD
- S—BLUE RIVER NEAR ST JOHN AVENUE

Figure 11.--Relationships between selected properties and constituents in stormwater runoff at Blue River stations for storms during 1981.

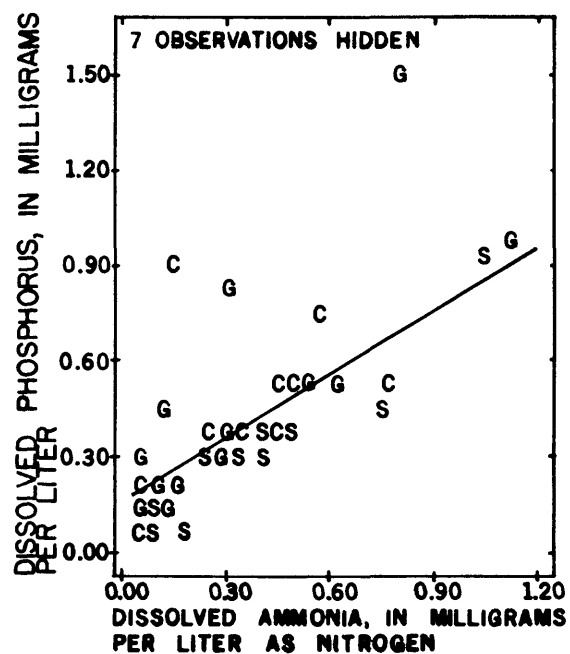
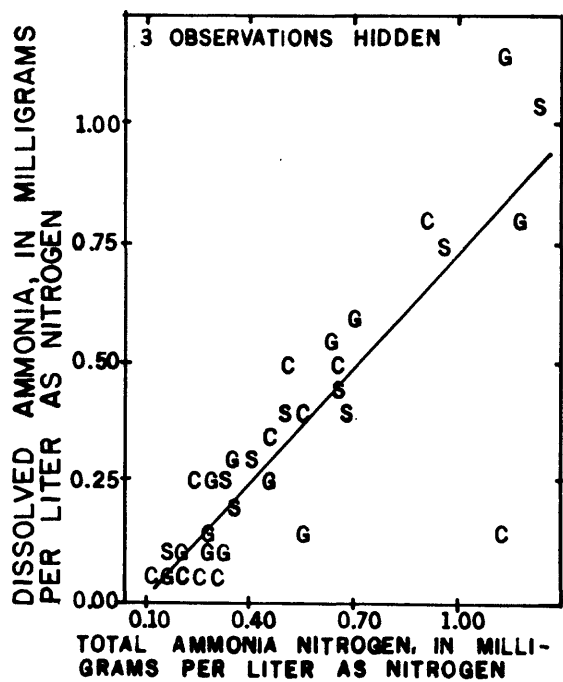
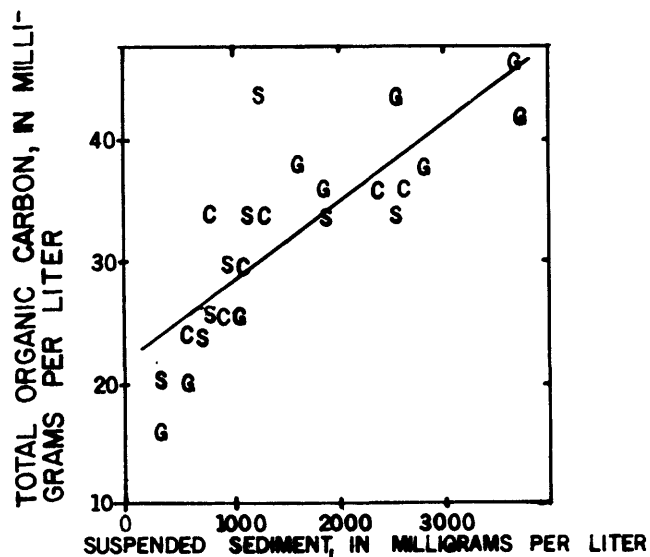
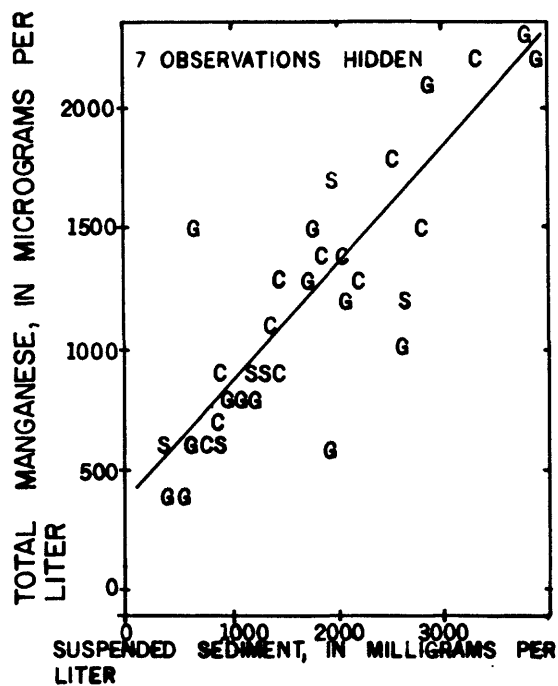


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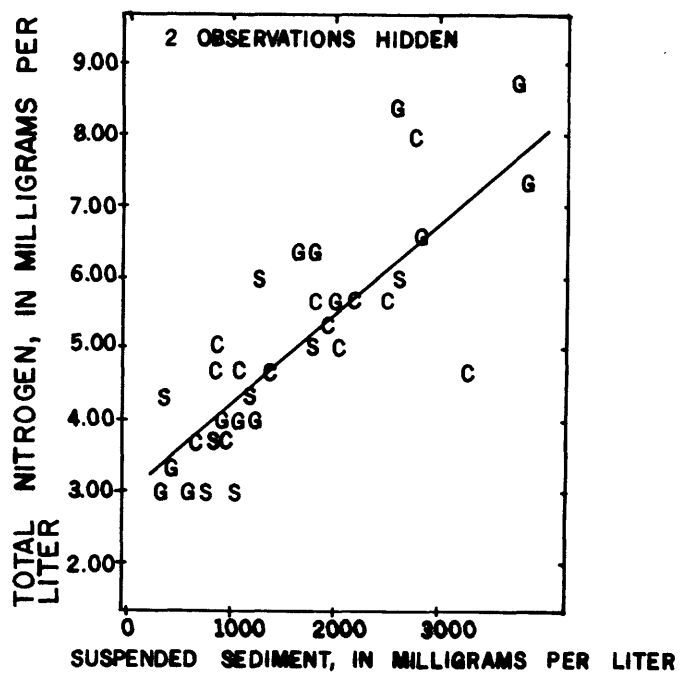
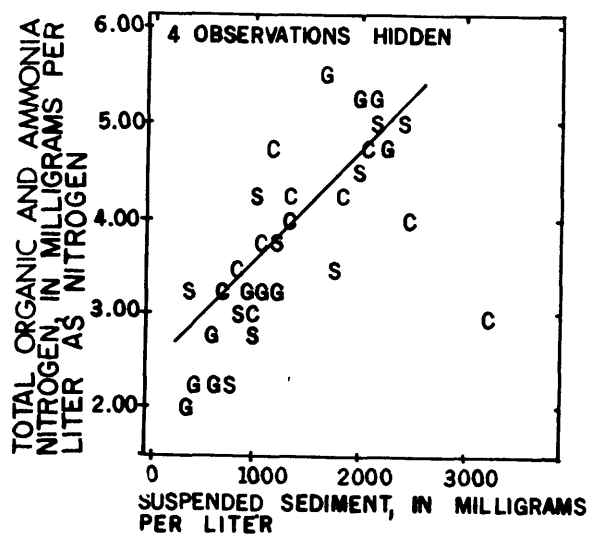
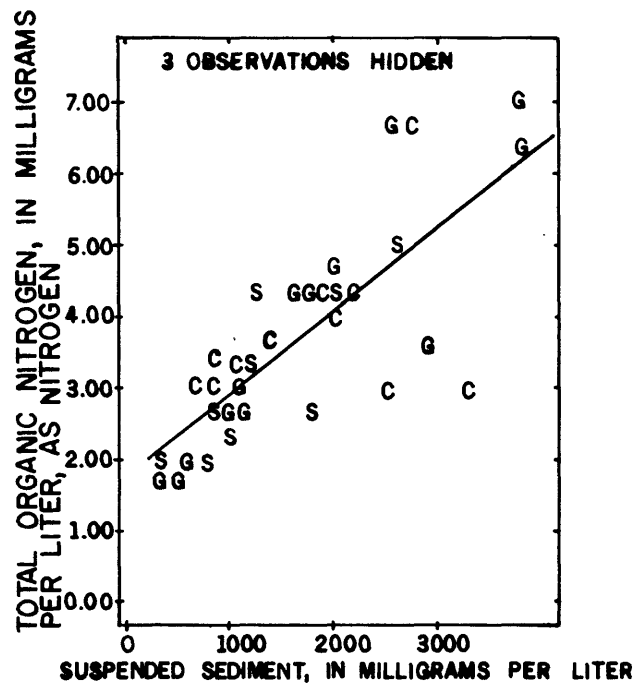
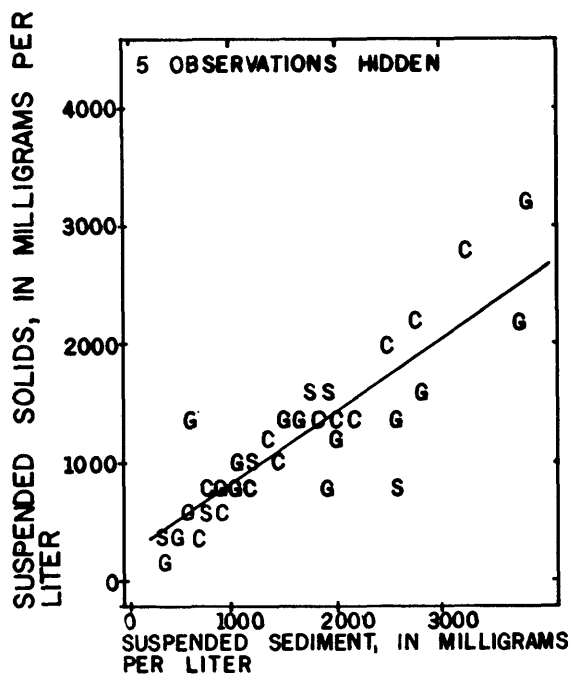


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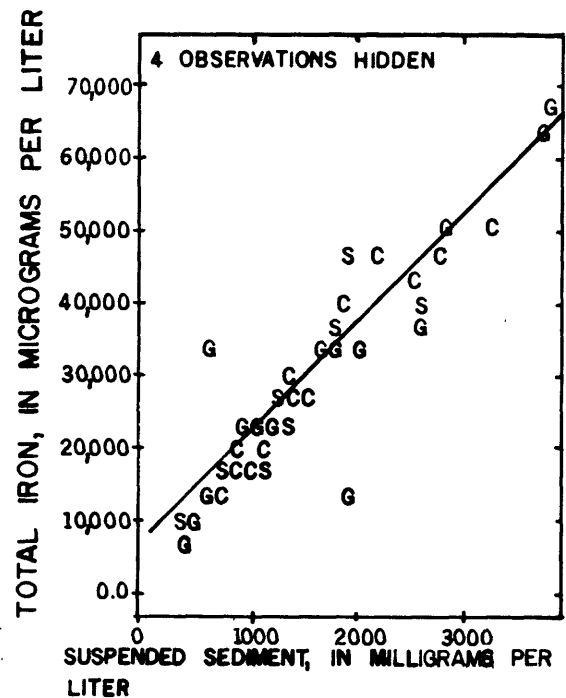
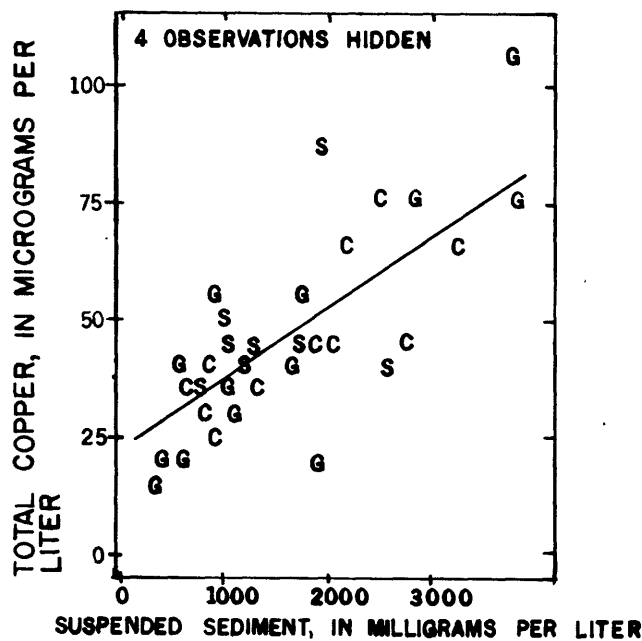
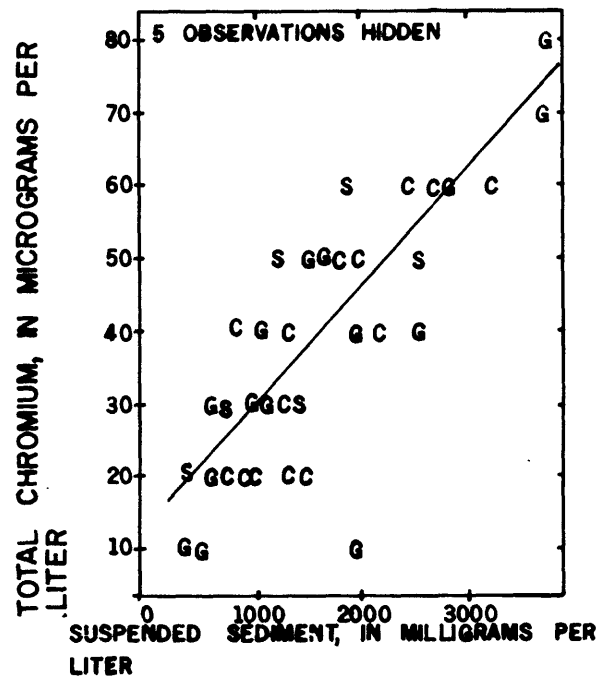
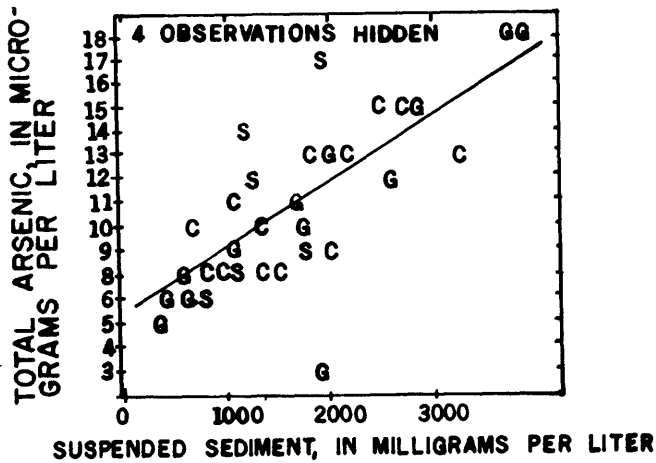


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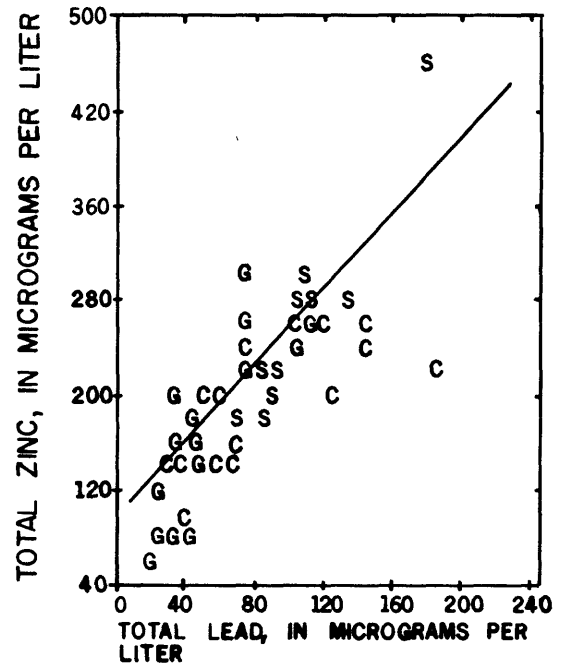
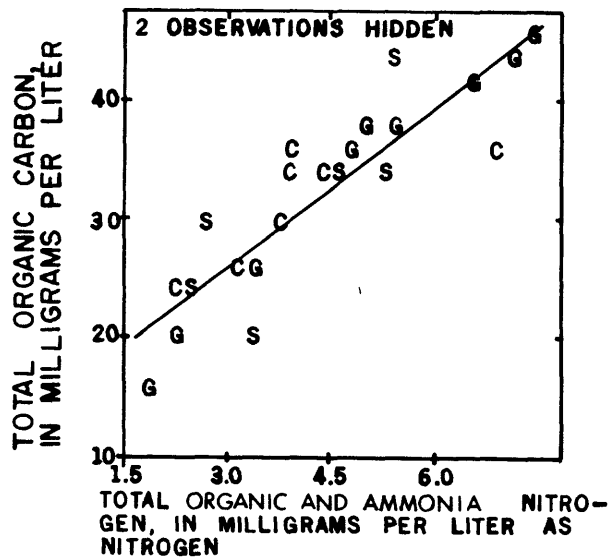
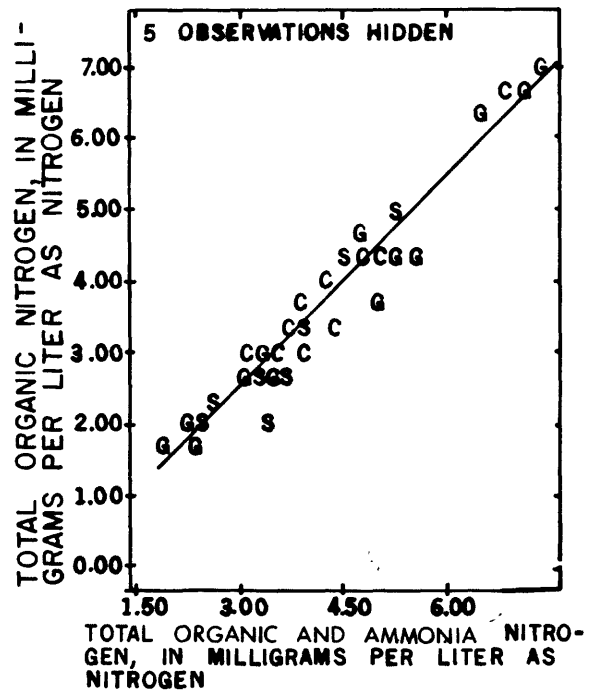
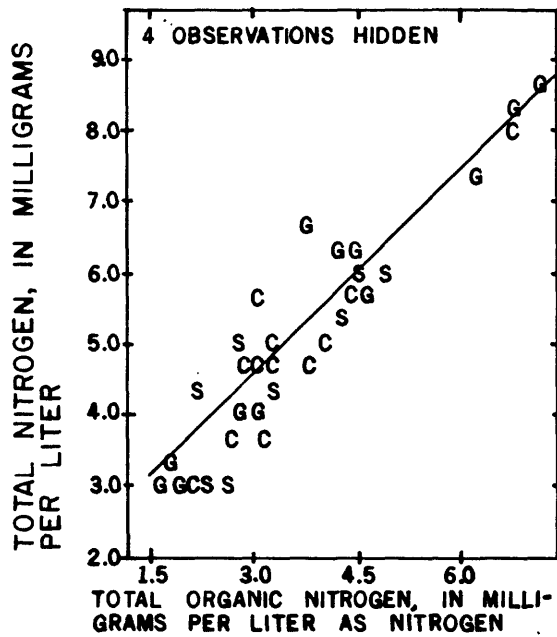


Figure 11:--Relationships between selected properties and constituents in stormwater runoff at Blue River stations for storms during 1981--Continued.

values listed in Missouri's water-quality standards (Missouri Department of Natural Resources, 1984). Total concentrations of copper, iron, lead, and zinc exceeded the criteria. However, the state's criteria implementation policy applies only to dissolved concentrations of these metals (John R. Howland, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, written commun., 1986).

Water-quality data collected monthly using manual methods by the Missouri Department of Natural Resources at three Blue River stations at Kenneth Road (station 1), at 63rd Street (station 5), and at 37th Street (station 9) (fig. 1) during base-flow conditions from 1973 to 1978 are summarized in table 16 (Lee Muschler, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, written commun., 1981). The data (designated as base-flow data) used in this table were selected by excluding all samples collected when the average daily discharge for Blue River at Bannister Road (station 3, fig. 1) was more than 98 cubic feet per second (U.S. Geological Survey records show that the mean daily flow exceeds 98.5 cubic feet per second 25 percent of the time at Bannister Road). The Kenneth Road station is upstream from the urbanized part of the basin and near the Missouri-Kansas State line. The 63rd Street station is between the Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road stations, and the 37th Street station is between the Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue stations (fig. 1). Although metals were not obtained in the base-flow data, specific conductance and pH values and nutrient concentrations can be compared to data in tables 5 and 15.

A distinct degradation of water quality during base flow between Kenneth Road and 63rd Street is shown in table 16. The increased nutrient concentrations were caused by sewage-treatment effluents and possibly other urban contributions entering the Blue River primarily from Indian Creek (fig. 1). The large concentrations in the Blue River mainstem during base flow mask variations in concentrations caused by initial flushing of urban areas and make comparisons of large-flow concentrations to small-flow concentration deceiving. Concentrations of constituents that were larger during storms were partly caused by suspension of bottom sediments containing large concentrations of pollutants that were deposited during base-flow conditions. Therefore, the site at Kenneth Road is used to compare stormwater quality to nonurbanized base-flow quality.

The specific conductance of stormwater downstream from Indian Creek generally was one-half of that measured during base flow because of dilution with runoff (table 5). However, specific-conductance values of stormwater runoff were slightly more than one-half the base-flow value at the rural Kenneth Road station. No significant difference in pH was determined between stations or flow regimes. Total ammonia nitrogen concentrations in stormwater runoff downstream from Indian Creek were less than one-half the concentrations in base flows at 63rd and 37th Streets, but generally more than four times the concentrations at Kenneth Road. Concentrations of nitrite and nitrate in stormwater runoff downstream from Indian Creek generally were less than one-half the concentrations in base-flow samples at 63rd and 37th Streets, but were about 50 percent more than in base-flow samples at Kenneth Road. Although concentrations of total phosphorus in stormwater runoff were similar to

Table 16.--Statistical summary of discharge and selected water-quality data collected monthly from 1973 to 1978 using manual methods at three stations on the Blue River during base-flow conditions

[Unpublished data provided by Lee Muschler, Missouri Department of Natural Resources, Jefferson City, Missouri (December, 1981); ft³/s, cubic feet per second; mg/L, milligrams per liter; µmho/cm at 25 °C, micromhos per centimeter at 25 °Celsius]

Property or constituent	Units	Blue River at Kenneth Road (station 1, fig. 1)			Blue River at 63rd Street (station 5, fig. 1)			Blue River at 37th Street (station 9, fig. 1)		
		Mean	Standard deviation	Number of samples	Mean	Standard deviation	Number of samples	Mean	Standard deviation	Number of samples
Discharge ¹	ft ³ /s	36	22	32	37	24	38	37	24	37
Specific conductance	µmho/cm at 25°C	558	137	30	828	232	35	830	221	35
pH	units	7.5	.4	30	7.6	0.4	36	7.5	.3	35
Total nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	mg/L	.63	.68	28	2.59	1.21	35	1.93	.94	35
Total ammonia as nitrogen	mg/L	.12	.07	29	1.73	2.10	37	1.52	1.75	36
Total phosphorus	mg/L	.14	.07	30	2.56	1.45	38	1.82	1.10	37

¹Flow values are daily mean discharges from records for the Blue River at Bannister Road (station 3, fig. 1)

concentrations in base flows at 63rd and 37th Streets, they were more than an order of magnitude greater than concentrations in base flows at Kenneth Road. Minimum metals data are available at low flow for the downstream reaches of Blue River, and the affinity of metals for sediment particles causes much larger metals concentrations during runoff.

QUALITY OF INITIAL STORMWATER RUNOFF DETERMINED FROM DISCRETE SAMPLES, APRIL - JULY 1982

During April-July 1982, discrete sampling was done during initial stormwater-runoff at the four Blue River and Brush Creek stations to determine the presence and significance of a first-flush phenomenon. The discrete samples were used to give a better portrayal of the water-quality characteristics of initial stormwater runoff than shown by the earlier composite-sampling methods. These results are described by station.

Concentrations of all analyzed properties and constituents could not be plotted in figures 12-16. However, trends and fluctuations for the plotted properties and constituents generally are true for several other closely related constituents. The values for all properties and the concentrations for all analyzed constituents for all samples are given in the "Supplemental Information" section at the back of this report.

Blue River near Gregory Boulevard

Discharge and values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in the initial runoff from three storms sampled at Gregory Boulevard are shown in figure 12. Concentrations of most constituents in the initial runoff near Gregory Boulevard show distinctively different patterns that were caused by individual storm and basin characteristics. The storms of April 28 and June 14, 1982, occurred mainly on the urban areas immediately upstream from Gregory Boulevard after 3 to 14 days of little or no rainfall (table 3). The initial runoff from these two storms contained concentrations of total nitrogen, total phosphorus, total lead, and total zinc that were larger than the mean concentrations of the same constituents in samples collected the year before (tables 5 and 15). These constituents also tended to be flushed from the urban areas during this study. A peak in specific conductance occurred after the four samples of initial runoff were collected on April 28. This peak and other similar fluctuations in the chemical data occurred when initial runoff from different tributaries passed the gage at different times. The long, narrow shape of the Blue River basin allows runoff from downstream tributaries to pass before runoff arrives from farther upstream.

The initial runoff for the storm of May 12 occurred after 0.5 inch of rain the day before. Consequently, the magnitude and fluctuations of most properties and constituents were much smaller than those for the other two storms.

Blue River at Coalmine Road

Discharge of and values of specific conductance and concentration of selected constituents in the initial runoff from two storms sampled at Coalmine Road are shown in figure 13. Initial runoff at this station primarily was from Brush Creek. This water has a distinctly different character from the stormwater runoff from farther upstream. As shown in the composite sampling for

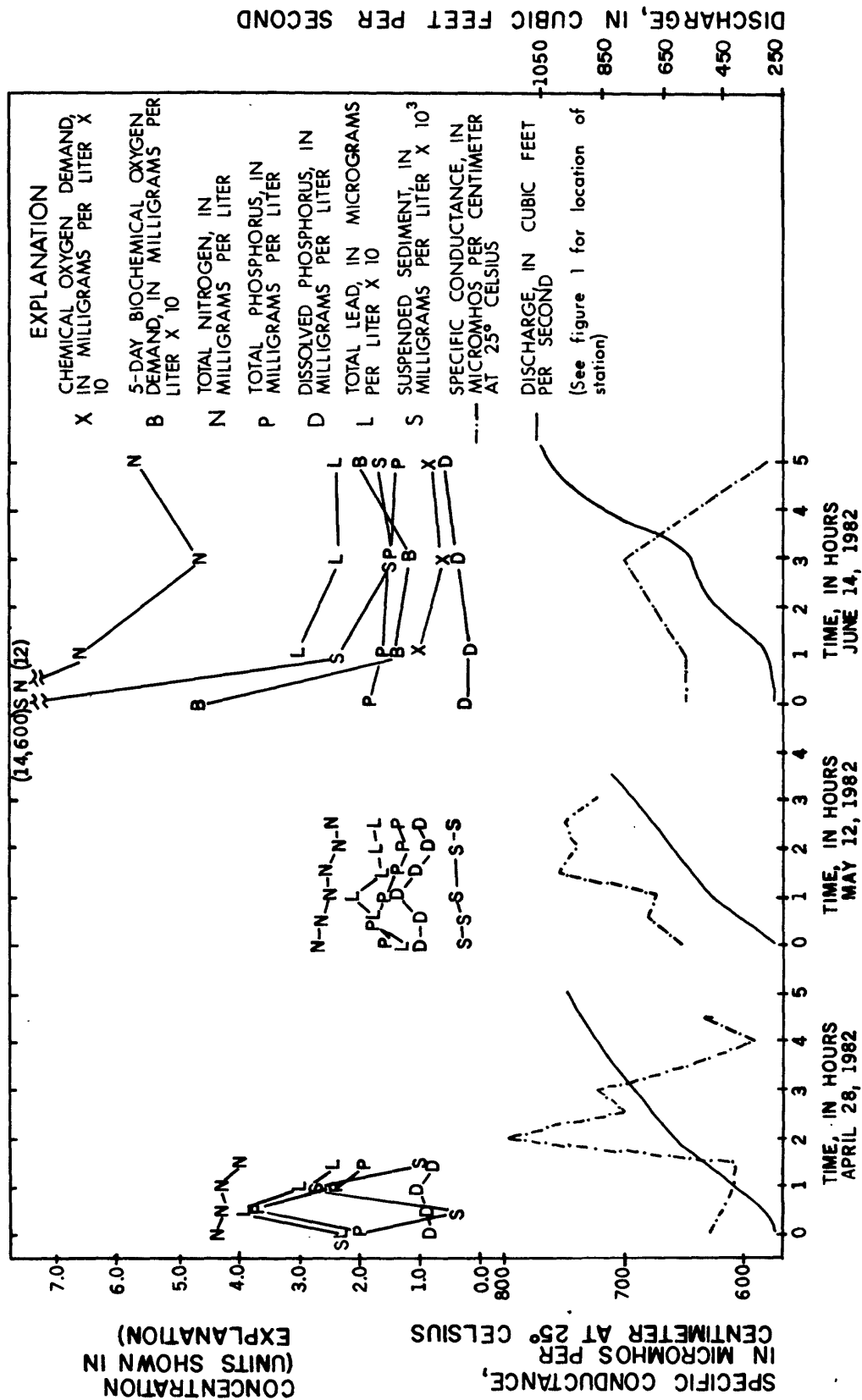


Figure 12.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in discrete samples collected during initial stormwater runoff, Blue River near Gregory Boulevard for the storms of April 28, May 12, and June 14, 1982.

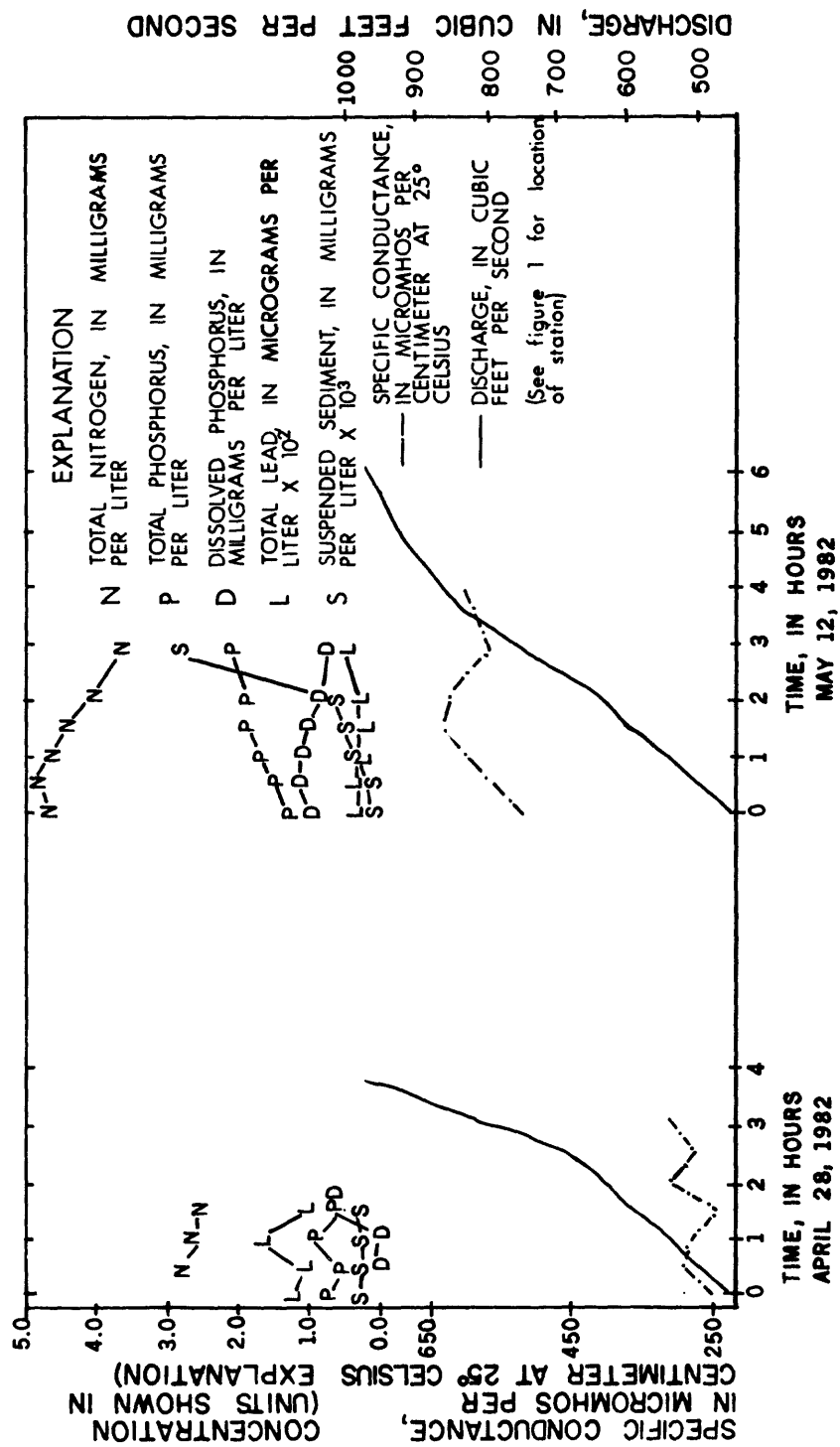


Figure 13. --Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in discrete samples collected during initial stormwater runoff, Blue River at Coalmine Road for the storms of April 28 and May 12, 1982.

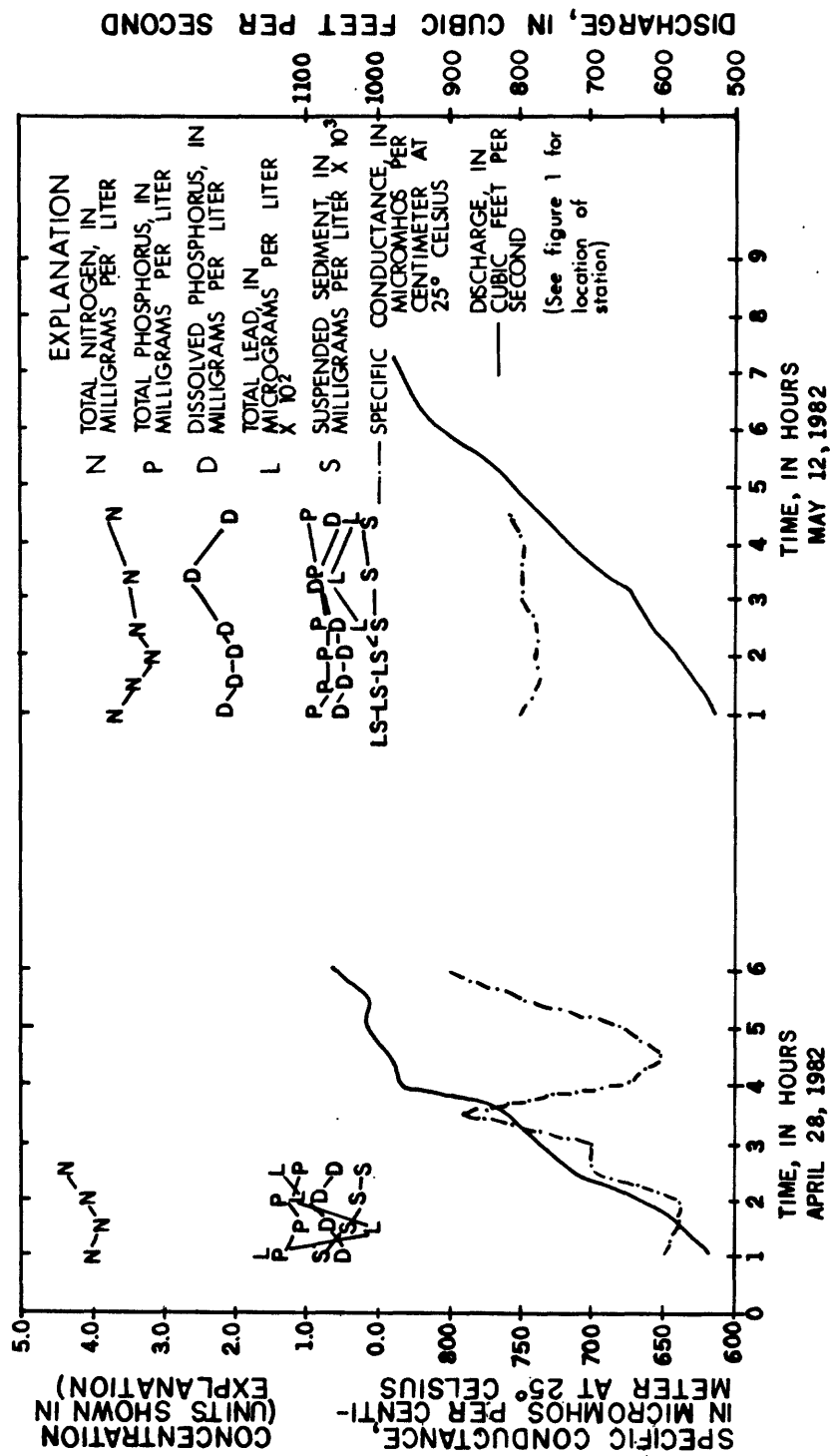


Figure 14.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in discrete samples collected during initial stormwater runoff, Blue River near St. John Avenue for the storms of April 28 and May 12, 1982.

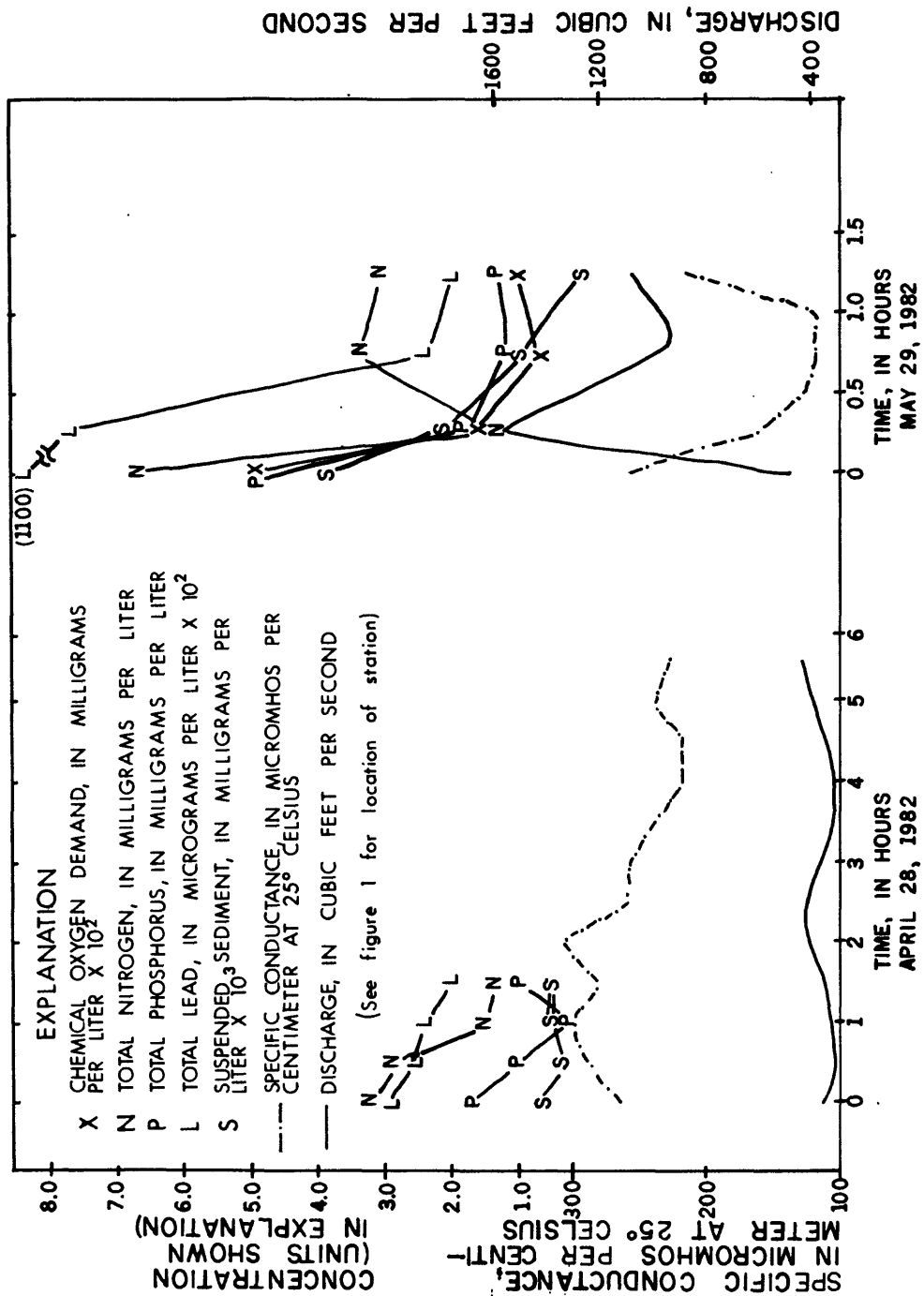


Figure 15.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in discrete samples collected during initial stormwater runoff, Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue for the storms of April 28 and May 29, 1982.

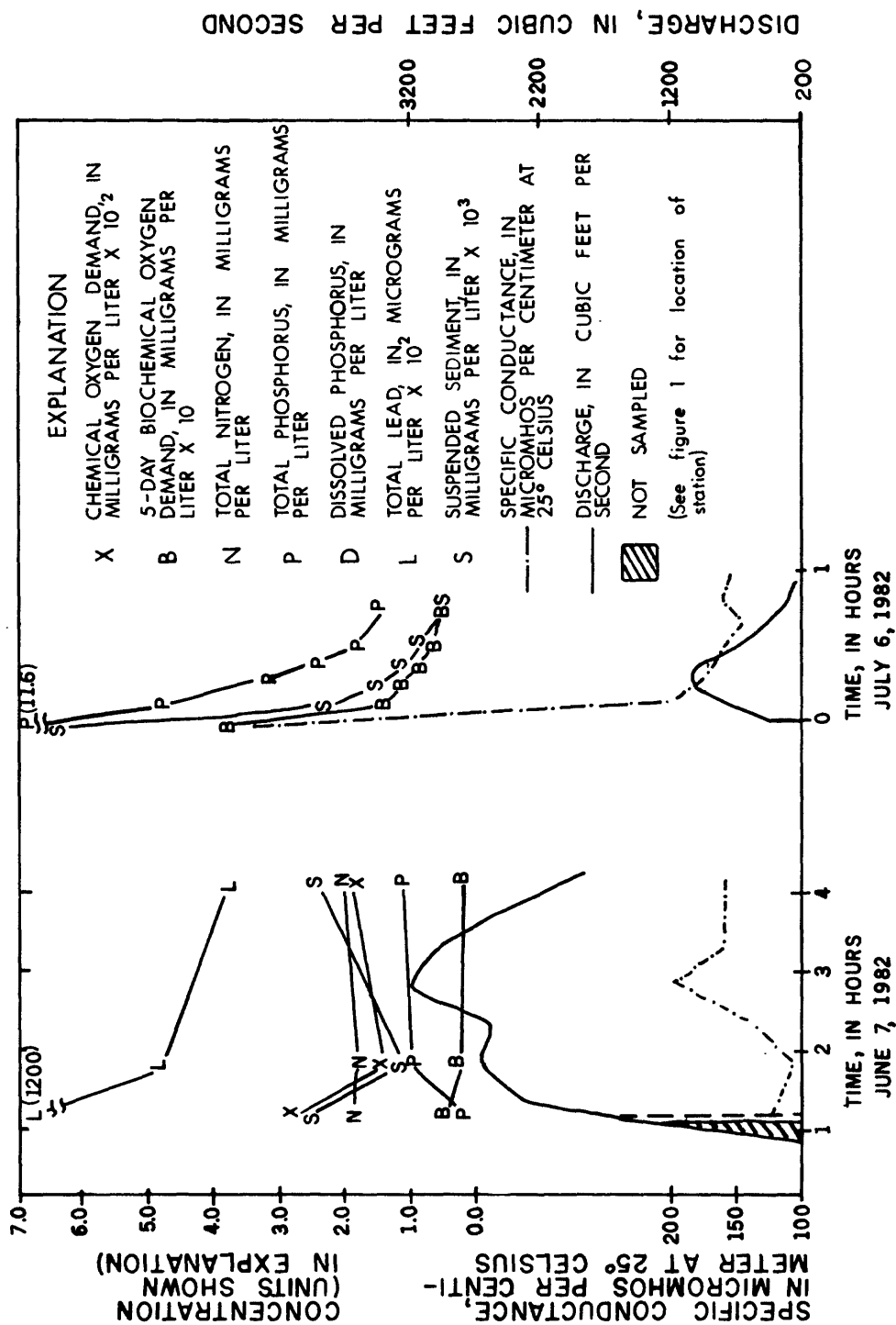


Figure 16.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in discrete samples collected during initial stormwater runoff, Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue for the storms of June 7 and July 6, 1982.

January 1981, Brush Creek runoff causes smaller concentrations of suspended sediment, total nitrite and nitrate, total nitrogen, total phosphorous, and most total metals, and larger concentrations of dissolved ammonia, total lead, and total zinc than those in Blue River (tables 5 and 15). This pattern remained constant for the initial runoff of the two storms sampled at Coalmine Road during 1982. The major difference between these two storms was the antecedent conditions (table 3). The storm of April 28 occurred during relatively dry conditions, and the storm of May 12 occurred after 0.6 inch of rainfall May 11. Although few large fluctuations were found in the concentrations of most constituents in the initial runoff from either storm, larger concentrations of total lead and total zinc were present in the initial runoff from the storm of April 28 (see "Supplemental Information" section). Replacement of Brush Creek runoff with Blue River became apparent in the last sample collected on May 28 as suspended sediment began to increase.

Blue River near St. John Avenue

Discharge values of specific conductance and concentrations of selected constituents in the initial runoff from two storms sampled near St. John Avenue are shown in figure 14. The largest volume of rainfall for the storm of April 28 occurred on the downstream, urban parts of the basin after dry, antecedent conditions (table 3). Specific conductance, which reflects dissolved-solids concentrations, rapidly increased to 780 micromhos per centimeter, rapidly decreased to 650 micromhos per centimeter, and again rapidly increased to more than 800 micromhos per centimeter. Evidently, pulses of runoff from either pulses of rain or from different urban tributaries were passing the sampler at different times. Large concentrations of dissolved solids probably were caused by the flushing of base-flow water impounded behind the two low-head dams and the large sewer just upstream from the downstream dam. Small concentrations of suspended sediment and large concentrations of total lead and total zinc indicated that the water in the four samples originated in urban areas.

The runoff on May 12 was caused by rainfall that was greater in the upstream part of the basin. Only 0.2 inch of rainfall was recorded at Raytown Road. Consequently, the first five samples represent impounded water being flushed from behind the two upstream dams pushed out by runoff from upstream. Specific-conductance values were larger (more than 740 micromhos per centimeter) and concentrations of suspended sediment were smaller (less than 56 milligrams per liter) with little fluctuation during the first 4 hours of runoff. The data for the sixth sample begins to show the effects of runoff as the concentration of suspended sediment begins to increase.

Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue

The plots in figures 15 and 16 show that initial runoff from storms in Brush Creek were largely raw sewage if combined sewers had not been recently flushed (table 3). Extremely large concentrations of BOD₅ (as much as 380 milligrams per liter) and suspended sediment (as much as 6,450 milligrams per liter) occurred in the first samples of storms on May 29 and July 6. Large concentrations of total lead (as much as 1,200 micrograms per liter) and total zinc (as much as 1,000 micrograms per liter) indicate that runoff from urban areas also was present in initial flows. Less intense flushes were recorded on:

(1) April 28, because moderate-intensity rainfall caused a large percentage of the volume to pass the gage before the stage was high enough to activate the sampler; and (2) June 7, because the automatic sampler malfunctioned and didn't collect the first sample, which would have contained the largest concentrations of constituents.

Summary of Discrete-Sampling Data for 1982

The long, narrow shape and large size of the Blue River basin and the rainfall distribution usually caused initial stormwater runoff at stations on the mainstem to come from the areas immediately upstream. Consequently, constituent concentrations show different patterns at all three Blue River stations. Near Gregory Boulevard concentrations of most constituents associated with runoff from urban areas generally were larger during initial runoff than the mean concentrations at this station during 1981. However, fluctuations in specific-conductance values indicate that pulses of runoff from different tributaries passed Gregory Boulevard at different times. At Coalmine Road initial runoff usually is from the Brush Creek basin and contains constituents concentrations similar to those in the composite samples collected from Brush Creek during 1981. Near St. John Avenue water from behind two low-head dams was flushed out by initial volumes of runoff, followed by pulses of runoff from different urban tributaries and sewers, which caused specific-conductance values to fluctuate. On Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue, discharges from combined sewers and runoff from areas with large volumes of automobile traffic produced storm flushes of BOD₅, suspended sediment, total lead, and total zinc when runoff was preceded by dry periods.

QUALITY OF STORMWATER RUNOFF FROM TWO SINGLE LAND-USE AREAS DETERMINED FROM COMPOSITE SAMPLES, APRIL-JUNE 1982

Residential and commercial land use are the two most prevalent types of urban land use in the Blue River basin (table 1). For this study, two tributaries were selected as typical of the residential and commercial land use for the area. The Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1) was used to sample stormwater runoff from an area of residential land use and the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) was used to sample stormwater runoff from an area of commercial land use.

Residential development during 1981 in the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue was predominantly single-family homes built since 1960. Housing density was 1.7 units per acre (planimetered from aerial photographs). The subbasin has an area of 313 acres, has separate storm-drainage and sanitary-sewage systems, and has street curbs. Short parts of the main channel are lined. Impervious areas covered 16 percent of the subbasin during 1981, although continuous impervious areas covered only 9 percent. Continuous impervious areas refer to impervious surfaces not separated from the channel by pervious surfaces.

Land use during 1981 for the storm sewer draining the commercial site can be classified as follows: Blue Ridge Mall rooftop, 15 percent; other rooftops, 3 percent; freeway, streets, median strip, and right-of-ways, 27 percent; and paved parking lots, 55 percent (planimetered from aerial photographs). Less than 10 percent of the main drainage paths were unlined.

Data for stormwater runoff from the residential and commercial tributaries indicate many of the same trends in runoff from urban areas in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue. Mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in samples from the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue and the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer are shown in tables 17 and 18. Larger impervious areas and lined channels caused much smaller sediment concentrations in stormwater runoff from the urban areas than those in the mainstem of the Blue River. Consequently, the percentage of all constituents in the suspended phase was less in stormwater runoff from the urban areas than in the mainstem of the Blue River (tables 11 and 12). The range of mean concentrations of suspended sediment in runoff from four storms during 1982 at the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer was 81 to 642 milligrams per liter, and the range of mean concentrations of suspended sediment in stormwater runoff at all three mainstem Blue River stations was 838 to 3,110 milligrams per liter (tables 5 and 18). Consequently, concentrations of most nutrients and metals associated with sediment were considerably smaller in stormwater runoff from the residential and commercial land-use areas (tables 5, 15, 17, and 18). The range of mean concentrations for total organic and ammonia nitrogen as nitrogen in runoff from four storms at both the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue and the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer during 1982 was 0.28 to 2.1 milligrams per liter. The range of mean concentrations of this same constituent in stormwater runoff at all mainstem Blue River stations during 1981 ranged from 2.7 to 6.6 milligrams per liter as nitrogen. Concentrations of total organic and ammonia nitrogen in stormwater runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue were larger than at the other two urban stations and more comparable to concentrations in the Blue River because of the large volume of combined-sewer-overflows in the runoff. Total lead and total zinc concentrations in stormwater runoff from all three urban subbasins were large despite smaller suspended-sediment concentrations. The range of mean concentrations of total lead from the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer during 1982 was 48 to 200 micrograms per liter. The range of mean concentrations of total lead in samples collected from the Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (primarily agricultural land use) during 1981 was 26 to 64 micrograms per liter.

Concentrations of dissolved constituents were less in stormwater runoff from urban areas than in stormwater runoff at the Blue River stations. The range in mean concentrations of dissolved solids in runoff from nine storms at both the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue and Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer was 66 to 175 milligrams per liter. The range of mean concentrations of dissolved solids in stormwater runoff at all three of the stations on the mainstem of the Blue River was 146 to 293 milligrams per liter. The smaller concentrations of dissolved solids probably were caused by dilution from the larger volumes of runoff per unit drainage area coming from the urban subbasins, which have larger percentages of impervious areas (table 1). Concentrations of dissolved nutrients also were diluted in stormwater runoff from urban areas, but may have been enriched in the mainstem of the Blue River from agricultural fertilizers used in the upstream part of the basin.

Comparison of mean concentrations in stormwater runoff at the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue and the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer showed only total phosphorous and total lead concentrations as being significantly different. Mean concentrations of total phosphorous ranged from 0.14 to 1.0 milligrams per liter at the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer. This difference

Table 17.--Mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in runoff from four storms during May to June, 1982, Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1)

[Results in milligrams per liter, except as indicated; <, less than; ft³/s, cubic feet per second; µg/L, micrograms per liter; µmho/cm at 25 °C, micromhos per centimeter at 25 °Celsius; NTU, nephelometric units]

Property or constituent	Date of storm		
	May 14, 1982	May 29, 1982	June 7, 1982
Peak discharge (ft ³ /s)	20	20	60
Total runoff volume (cubic feet X 1,000)	91	114	126
Specific conductance (µmho/cm at 25 °C)	191	153	124
Turbidity (NTU)	--	--	283
Chemical-oxygen demand	--	53	115
5-day biochemical-oxygen demand	--	--	18
Dissolved solids	120	109	103
Suspended sediment	--	190	--
Dissolved nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	.37	.45	.56
Dissolved ammonia as nitrogen	.40	<.40	<.40
Total organic and ammonia nitrogen as nitrogen	.70	1.8	1.3
Dissolved organic and ammonia nitrogen as nitrogen	.61	1.4	1.9
Total phosphorus	.14	.42	1.0
Dissolved phosphorus	.10	.33	.49
Total arsenic (µg/L)	5	10	--
Total cadmium (µg/L)	2	1	1
Total chromium (µg/L)	70	20	40
Total copper (µg/L)	17	12	46
Total iron (µg/L)	2,900	3,900	32,000
			2,500

Table 17.--Mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in runoff from four storms during May-June, 1982, Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1)--Continued

Constituent or property	Date of storm		
	May 14, 1982	May 29, 1982	June 7, 1982
Total lead ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	54	41	80
Total manganese ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	230	300	3,400
Total zinc ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	80	60	280
Total organic carbon	--	17	30
			17
			160
			110
			15

Table 18.--Mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in runoff from five storms during April-June, 1982, Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1)

[Results in milligrams per liter, except as indicated; <, less than; ft³/s, cubic feet per second; µg/L, micrograms per liter; µmho/cm at 25 °C, micromhos per centimeter at 25 °Celsius; NTU, nephelometric units]

Property or constituent	Date of storm			
	April 28, 1982	May 11-14, 1982	May 28-29, 1982	June 14-15, 1982
Peak discharge (ft ³ /s)	12	100	39	48
Total runoff volume (cubic feet X 1,000)	142	246	169	131
Specific conductance (µmho/cm at 25 °C)	204	126	118	165
Turbidity (NTU)	19	--	--	23
Chemical-oxygen demand	--	--	40	--
5-day biochemical-oxygen demand	--	--	--	10.3
Dissolved solids	124	74	66	67
Suspended sediment	119	642	81	--
Dissolved nitrite and nitrate as nitrogen	.47	.27	.35	.45
Dissolved ammonia as nitrogen	.52	<.40	<.40	<.40
Total organic and ammonia nitrogen as nitrogen	1.4	.28	1.3	1.2
Dissolved organic and ammonia nitrogen as nitrogen	1.3	.13	.87	1.2
Total phosphorus	.18	.39	.17	.32
Dissolved phosphorus	.12	.12	.10	<.10
Total arsenic (µg/L)	1	1	2	--
Total cadmium (µg/L)	--	2	2	1
Total chromium (µg/L)	10	30	--	20
Total copper (µg/L)	19	28	13	14
Total iron (µg/L)	2,200	9,100	1,700	2,500
				3,900

Table 18.--Mean values of selected properties and mean concentrations of selected constituents in runoff from five storms during April-June, 1982, Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1)--Continued

Property or constituent	Date of storm				
	April 28, 1982	May 11-14, 1982	May 28-29, 1982	June 14-15, 1982	June 25, 1982
Total lead ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	67	200	48	85	147
Total manganese ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	131	490	181	255	626
Total zinc ($\mu\text{g/L}$)	150	280	110	170	270
Total organic carbon	10	--	8.6	13	24

is expected from fertilizer commonly used on lawns in residential areas. Mean concentrations of total lead ranged from 17 to 80 micrograms per liter at Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue and from 48 to 200 micrograms per liter at the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (tables 17 and 18). This difference can be explained by the large volume of automobile traffic using the parking lots at the Blue Ridge Mall.

Discharge and values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples of stormwater runoff from the urban land-use stations are plotted in figures 17 and 18. Specific-conductance values at both stations generally were controlled by the volume of discharge diluting the sample. Total lead concentrations were large in the first composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at both the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue and the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer only if there was enough runoff to thoroughly flush the subbasins. However, after initial flushing, concentrations of total lead decreased to concentrations much less than those in the Blue River (tables 5 and 15). Total zinc also showed large flushes at the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer, but no consistent pattern could be detected at the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue. Trends for other properties or constituents were not apparent or consistent at the commercial and residential land-use stations.

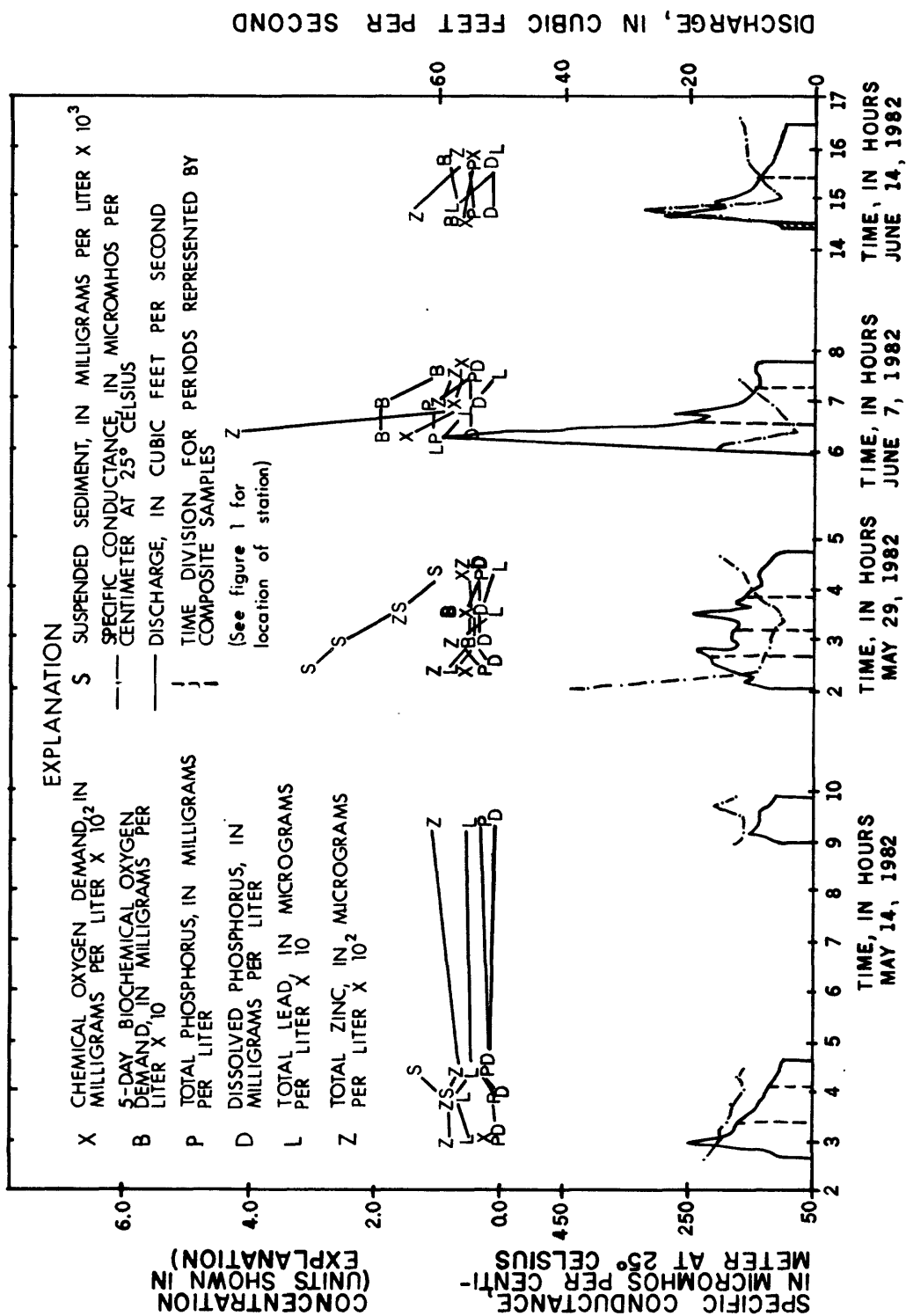


Figure 17.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at the residential land-use site (Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue) for four storms during May-June 1982.

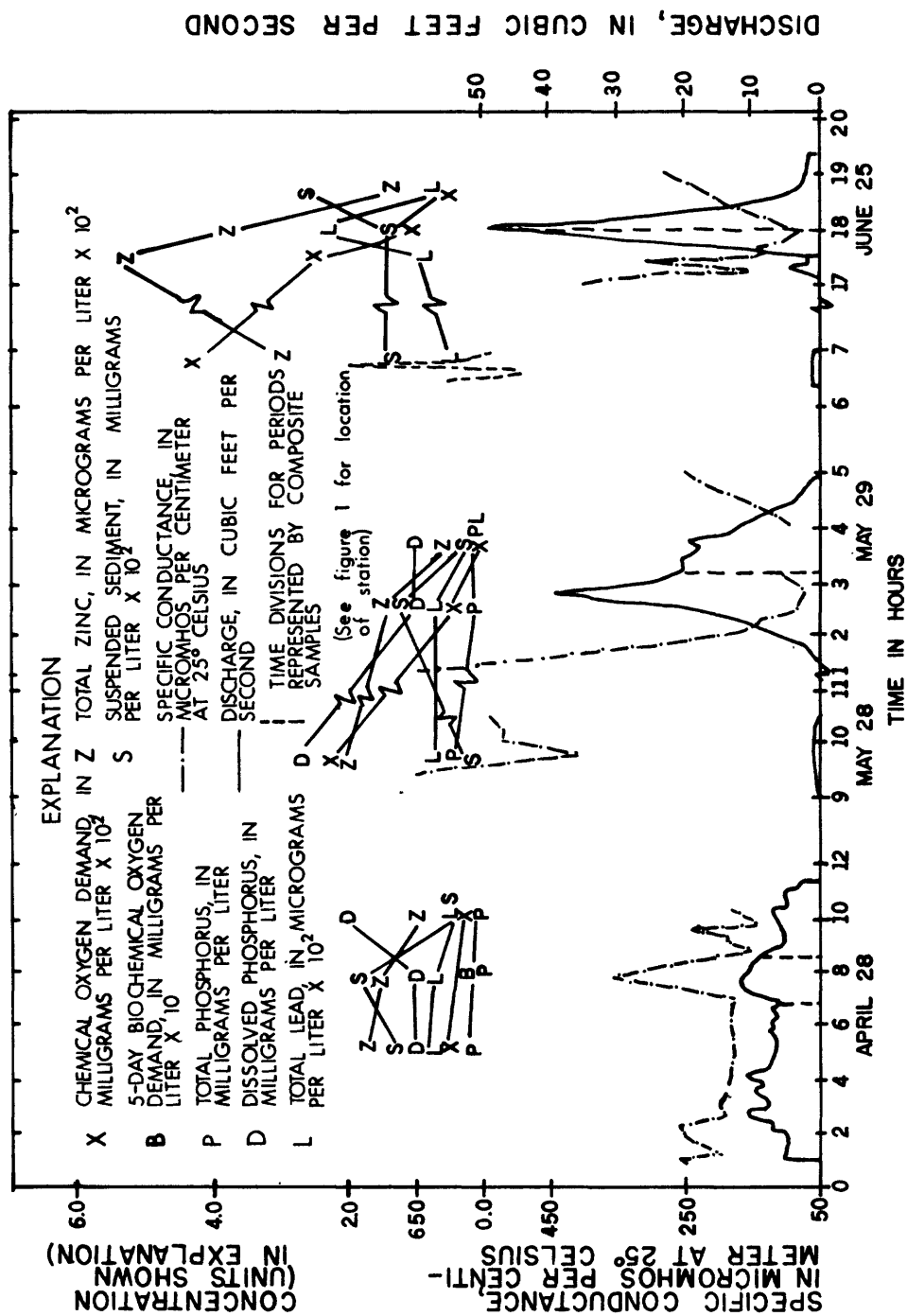


Figure 18.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at the commercial land-use site (Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer), for five storms during April - June 1982.

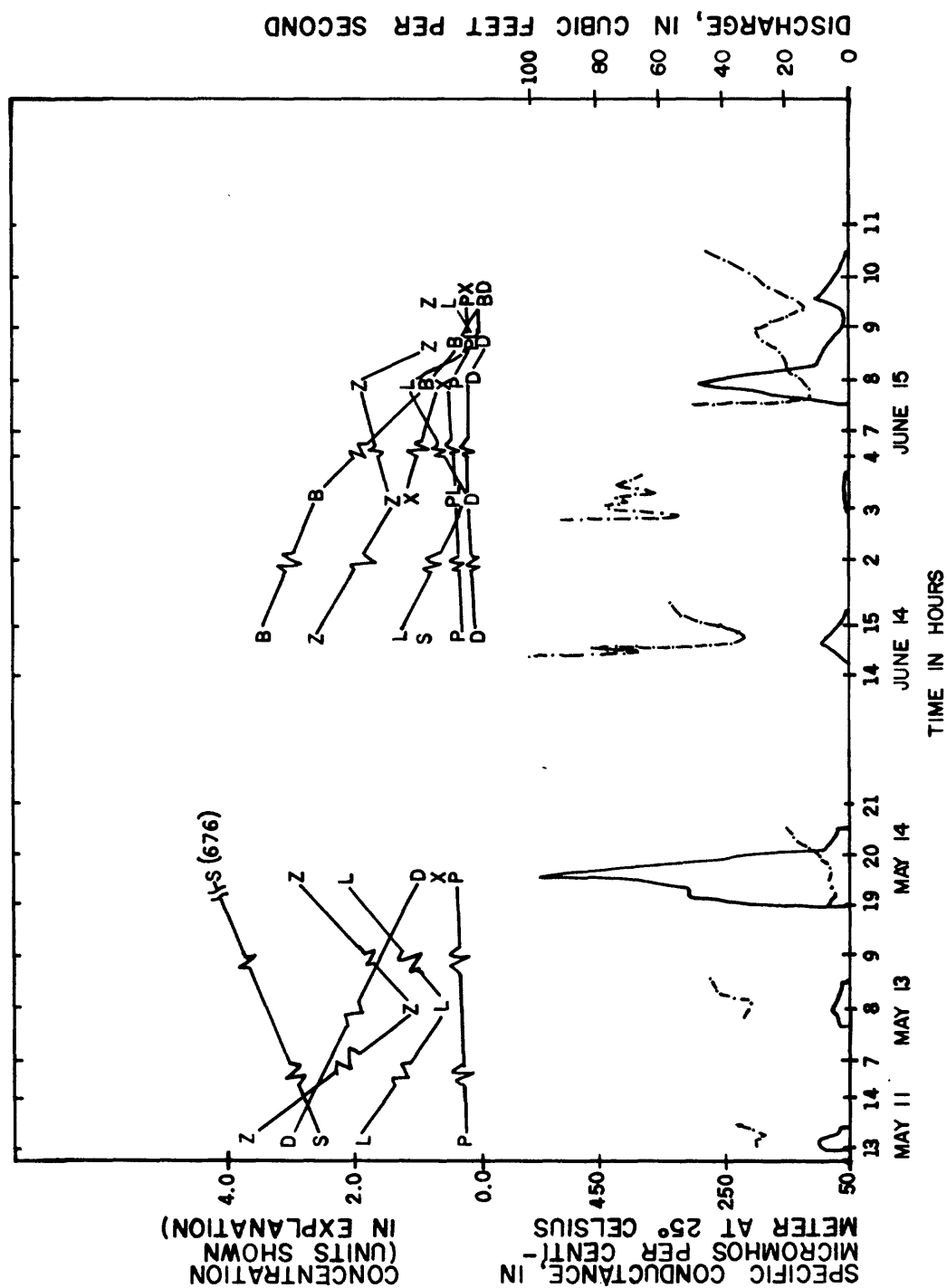


Figure 18.--Values of selected properties and concentrations of selected constituents in composite samples collected during stormwater runoff at the commercial land-use site (Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer), for five storms during April - June 1982 --Continued.

SUMMARY AND CONCLUSIONS

Although the Blue River basin contains a large part of the Kansas City metropolitan area, agricultural and vacant areas comprise about 67 percent of the land in the basin during 1981. The large concentrations of most sampled constituents were associated with the large concentrations of suspended sediment. Seventy-five percent of the nitrogen and phosphorus concentrations and more than 90 percent of most metals concentrations were associated with suspended sediment in the Blue River. The close relationships between suspended sediment and copper, iron and manganese; and the lack of increase in the concentrations of these three constituents through the urban reaches of the Blue River indicate that these metals are a part of the sediment entering the Kansas City metropolitan area from upstream agricultural lands.

The presence of large impervious areas and lined drainageways in urban areas increased the quantity of storm runoff in the Blue River and limited the quantity of soil and sediment available for detachment. Generally, mean concentrations in stormwater runoff for most constituents at all three urban stations were smaller than those in the Blue River, but because the volume of runoff in the Blue River was so much larger, loads per square mile from urban areas were sometimes larger than those from undeveloped areas. Once urban runoff leaves unlined drainageways, the readily available sediments are picked up from the silt banks of the Blue River.

The two low-head dams on the downstream reach of the Blue River affected concentrations of dissolved solids and suspended sediment. Also, after several days without runoff, water behind the impoundments was replaced with base-flow water. Runoff from small storms pushed this volume of stored, base-flow water out tending to increase mean concentrations of dissolved solids, and decrease mean concentrations of suspended sediment. During small storms, suspended sediment and associated metals and nutrients were trapped behind the dams decreasing loads. However, during large storms, the effect on dissolved solids became indistinguishable and sediments were removed from storage behind these small dams.

Concentrations of most nutrients in runoff from the land-use sites were smaller than concentrations in the mainstem of the Blue River. These findings indicate the principal quantities of ammonia nitrogen are coming from the fertilized, agricultural lands upstream in the Blue River Basin.

Total concentrations of copper, iron, lead, and zinc exceeded the numeric aquatic-life criteria values listed in Missouri's water quality standards. However, the state's criteria implementation policy applies only to dissolved concentrations of these metals. Concentrations of lead and zinc were significantly associated with urban runoff from Brush Creek, the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer, and Blue River between Gregory Boulevard and St. John Avenue. Lead loads increased from 0.4 to 3.8 tons and zinc loads increased from 2.1 to 9.5 tons between Gregory Boulevard and St. John Avenue during the storm of July 27-28, 1981. Lead is associated with vehicle exhausts and is commonly present in large concentrations in urban runoff. A specific source of zinc was not identified. The largest increases of lead concentrations in Blue River were between Gregory Boulevard and Coalmine Road, whereas the increases in zinc concentrations primarily were between Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue, indicating different sources for these two metals.

Characteristics of runoff quality in the Blue River were affected by the shape of the basin and the location of urban areas in the downstream end of the basin. The long, narrow shape promoted noncoincidental timing of runoff, allowing runoff from the downstream tributaries to enter the mainstream reach before upstream runoff arrived. Consequently, urban runoff dominated the first part of runoff for streamflow-gaging stations at Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue, but water quality fluctuated widely during initial rises as runoff from different sources passed these sites at different times. Generally, urban runoff was soon replaced by upstream, agricultural runoff, which constituted the larger part of the total flow volume at the Blue River stations.

Water-quality problems from urban runoff primarily occurred on the initial rise of a stream after a dry antecedent period. The flushing of combined sewers in the Brush Creek basin caused large concentrations of BOD₅, dissolved solids, suspended sediment, nutrients and metals. Concentrations of BOD₅ were as much as 380 milligrams per liter at a discharge of 458 cubic feet per second. These conditions rapidly improved as the sewers were flushed and water discharged from them was diluted by the later and larger flows in Brush Creek and especially Blue River. Consequently, average BOD₅ concentrations in runoff in the Blue River at Coalmine Road just downstream from Brush Creek were only slightly larger than those near Gregory Boulevard. Lead (and at times BOD₅, suspended sediment, dissolved phosphorus, and zinc) showed significant flushes at the Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue, Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer, Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue, and moderate flushes during the first one-third or one-fourth of hydrographs on Blue River near Gregory Boulevard. Flushes at Coalmine Road and St. John Avenue were masked by Brush Creek inflow and impounded water.

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SUPPEMENTAL INFORMATION

Table 19.--U.S. Environmental Protection Agency priority-pollutant concentrations from manually collected samples July 25-27, 1981

[Results in micrograms per liter, except as noted; <, less than]

Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)	Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)
Phenol	<1.3	<1.3	<1.3	<1.3
2-Chlorophenol	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3
2-Nitrophenol	<8.4	<8.4	<8.4	<8.4
2,4-Dimethoxyphenol	<1.6	<1.6	<1.6	<1.6
2,4-Dichlorophenol	<5.2	<5.2	<5.2	<5.2
P-Chloro-M-Cresol	<2.7	<2.7	<2.7	<2.7
2,4,6-Trichlorophenol	<3.3	<3.3	<3.3	<3.3
2,4-Dinitrophenol	<33	<33	<33	<33
4-Nitrophenol	<15	<15	<15	<15
4, 6-Dinitro-0-Cresol	<17	<17	<17	<17
Pentachlorophenol	<14	<14	<14	<14
Dibenzo(A,H)-Anthracene	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2
Benzo (G,H,I)Perylene	<2.4	<2.4	<2.4	<2.4
Diethylphthalate	<1.4	<1.4	<1.4	<1.4
N-Nitrosodiphenylamine	<3.2	<3.2	<3.2	<3.2
Hexachlorobenzene	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3
4-Bromophenyl Phenyl Ether	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2
Phenanthrene	<12	<12	<12	<12
Di-N-Butyl-Phthalate	<2.8	<2.8	<2.8	<2.8
Fluoranthene	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3
Pyrene	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3
Benzidine	<25	<25	<25	<25

Table 19.--U.S. Environmental Protection Agency priority-pollutant concentrations from manually collected samples collected July 25-27, 1981--Continued

Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)	Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)
Butyl-Benzyl-Phthalate	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0	<3.0
Bis (2 Ethylhexyl) Phthalate	<9.3	<9.3	<9.3	<9.3
Chrysene	<18	<18	<18	<18
Benzo(B)Fluoranthene	<20	<20	<20	<20
3,3'-Dichlorobenzidine	<25	<25	<25	<25
Di-N-Octyl Phthalate	<2.6	<2.6	<2.6	<2.6
Benzo(A)Pyrene	<10	<10	<10	<10
Indeno(1,2,3,-CD)Pyrene	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5
Hexachloroethane	<1.3	<1.3	<1.3	<1.3
Bis-(2-Chloroethyl Ether)	<10	<10	<10	<10
Bis-(2-Chloroisopropyl)Ether	<32	32	<32	<32
N-Nitrosodi-N-Propylamine	<8.2	<8.2	<8.2	<8.2
Isophorone	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5	<2.5
Nitrobenzene	<3.1	<3.1	<3.1	<3.1
Hexachlorobutadiene	<.0920	<.0920	<.0920	<.0920
1,2,4,Trichlorobenzene	<1.8	<1.8	<1.8	<1.8
Napthalene	<2.1	<2.1	<2.1	<2.1
Bis-(2-Chloroethoxy)Methane	<8.2	<8.2	<8.2	<8.2
Hexachlorocyclopentadiene	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2
2-Chloronapthalene	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2
Acenaphthylene	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3	<2.3
2,6-Dinitrotoluene	<1.9	<1.9	<1.9	<1.9
Acenaphthene	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2

Table 19.--U.S. Environmental Protection Agency priority-pollutant concentrations from manually collected samples collected July 25-27, 1981--Continued

Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)	Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)
Dimethylphthalate	<0.700	<0.700	<0.700	<0.700
Fluorene	<1.9	<1.9	<1.9	<1.9
4-Chloro-Phenyl Phenyl Ether	<10	<10	<10	<10
2,4-Dinitrotoluene	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2
1,2-Diphenylhydrazine	<12	<12	<12	<12
CIS-1,3-Dichloropropene	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
Dibromochloromethane	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400
1,1,2-Trichloroethane	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400
2-Chloroethyvinl Ether	<1.8	<1.8	<1.8	<1.8
Bromoform	<0.500	<0.500	<0.500	<0.500
1,1,2,2,-Tetrachloroethene	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400
Toluene	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
1,1,2,2,-Tetrachloroethane	<0.300	1.6	1.6	3.5
Chlorobenzene	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
Ethyl Benzene	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
1,3-Dichlorobenzene	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0
1,2-Dichlorobenzene	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0
1,4-Dichlorobenzene	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0	<1.0
Acrolein	<12	<12	<12	<12
Acrylonitrile	<19	<19	<19	<19
Chloromethane	<1.2	<1.2	<1.2	<1.2
Dichlorodifluoromethane	<2.4	<2.4	<2.4	<2.4
Bromomethane	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2	<2.2

Table 19.--U.S. Environmental Protection Agency priority-pollutant concentrations from manually collected samples collected July 25-27, 1981--Continued

Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)	Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)
Vinyl Chloride	<1.4	<1.4	<1.4	<1.4
Chloroethane	<1.4	<1.4	<1.4	<1.4
Methylene Chloride	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
Trichlorofluoromethane	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
1,1-Dichloroethylene	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
1,1-Dichloroethane	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
Trans-1,2-Dichloroethylene	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400
Chloroform	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
1,2-Dichloroethane	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
1,1,1-Trichloroethane	<0.500	<0.500	<0.500	<0.500
Carbon Tetrachloride	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400
Bromodichloromethane	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
1,2-Dichloropropane	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
Benzene	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200	<0.200
Trans-1,3-Dichloropropene	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400	<0.400
Trichloroethylene	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300	<0.300
Silver	<1	<1	<1	<1
Aluminum	79,200	79,200	79,200	79,200
Arsenic	<116	<100	<20	<20
Barium	<866	<470	<185	<103
Beryllium	3	<1	<1	<1
Cadmium	<4	<4	<1	<1
Chromium	84	45	10	10

Table 19.--U.S. Environmental Protection Agency priority-pollutant concentrations from manually collected samples collected July 25-27, 1981--Continued

Constituent	Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1)	Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1)	Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1)	Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1)
Copper	60	37	6	10
Iron	67,400	36,600	6,100	6,620
Manganese	1,734	1,100	646	188
Nickel	74	40	8	8
Lead	<5	8	14	<23
Antimony	<20	<20	<20	<20
Selenium	<100	<100	<20	<20
Zinc	236	163	48	73
Calcium (milligrams per liter)	82	59	67	28
Magnesium (milligrams per liter)	16	11	8	4
Sodium (milligrams per liter)	8	16	34	10
Mercury	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2	<0.2

Table 20.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1) for four storms during May-June, 1982

[units are in micrograms per liter, except as indicated; $\mu\text{mho}/\text{cm}$ at 25 °C, micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C; NTU, nephelometric turbidity units; mg/L , milligrams per liter; NO_2^- , nitrite; NO_3^- , nitrate; N, nitrogen; P, phosphorus; tons/d, tons per day; mm, millimeter]

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance ($\mu\text{mho}/\text{cm}$ at 25°C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 180 °C dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, $\text{NO}_2^- + \text{NO}_3^-$ dissolved (mg/L as N)
May 1982											
14	0240	0312	12	210	7.5	--	--	--	123	124	0.43
14	0320	0352	9.5	185	7.8	--	21	--	121	146	.38
14	0400	0432	6.2	170	7.7	--	--	--	109	159	.29
14	0855	0950	25	185	7.1	--	--	--	119	101	.33
29	0200	0230	12	200	7.1	--	70	--	124	164	.41
29	0245	0308	14	115	7.2	--	47	--	83	--	.36
29	0315	0345	13	120	7.2	--	45	--	93	127	.41
29	0352	0445	8.1	180	7.3	--	51	--	138	37	.64
June											
07	0605	0635	34	115	7.2	320	150	19	95	--	.53
07	0642	0712	15	120	7.1	320	73	19	101	--	.53
07	0720	0742	9.2	170	7.3	55	62	10	141	--	.73
14	1420	1520	13	140	7.5	100	61	7.6	91	206	.40
14	1530	1630	6.4	170	7.5	57	56	8.8	118	41	.57

Table 20.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1)
for four storms during May-June, 1982--Continued

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Date	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia + organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia + organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L as N)	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L as N)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable
May 1982												
14	<.40	0.90	0.73	<0.10	0.10	4	1	3	1	<3	90	10
14	<.40	1.0	.87	<.10	.10	5	2	3	1	<3	60	10
14	<.40	1.1	1.1	.30	.28	4	0	4	1	<3	50	10
14	<.40	<.10	<.10	.20	.13	6	1	5	4	1	50	20
29	<.40	1.6	1.3	.28	.20	8	5	3	1	<3	30	10
29	<.40	1.7	1.2	.46	.35	8	0	8	2	<3	10	--
29	<.40	1.8	1.3	.48	.37	11	0	12	1	<3	<10	--
29	<.40	2.0	1.7	.46	.42	15	0	15	1	<3	<10	--
June												
07	<.40	1.3	.96	1.1	.48	--	--	4	<1	<1	80	--
07	<.40	1.3	.96	1.1	.48	10	2	8	1	<1	10	--
07	<.40	1.4	1.3	.52	.52	10	1	9	1	<1	<10	--
14	<.40	2.1	1.0	.40	.18	5	2	3	1	<1	20	--
14	<.40	2.0	1.5	.48	.16	10	2	8	1	<1	10	--

Table 20.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1)
for four storms during May-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable
May 1982												
14	80	23	16	7	2,600	2,500	75	53	49	4	240	240
14	50	17	11	6	3,400	3,400	35	64	61	3	270	--
14	40	17	11	6	3,400	3,300	97	52	44	8	220	220
14	30	12	6	6	2,500	2,500	20	49	47	2	190	--
29	20	15	13	2	5,800	5,700	110	83	82	1	570	520
29	<10	12	9	3	5,300	5,100	190	52	50	2	340	330
29	<10	11	8	3	3,200	2,900	260	22	21	1	190	180
29	<10	9	6	3	1,200	770	430	8	7	1	110	90
June												
07	<10	70	68	2	51,000	51,000	250	110	110	1	5,500	5,500
07	<10	19	15	4	10,000	9,600	360	58	56	2	1,000	980
07	<10	9	5	4	1,800	1,400	450	10	8	2	150	100
14	<10	15	10	5	6,600	6,500	130	78	--	<1	480	460
14	<10	9	4	5	2,500	2,400	150	9	3	6	120	120

Table 20.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River tributary at Virginia Avenue (station 2, fig. 1)
for four storms during May-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
May 1982												
14	3	<0.1	<0.1	<1	<1	80	60	19	16	--	--	--
14	3	.1	<.1	<1	<1	80	--	<12	--	83	2.1	--
14	3	.1	<.1	<1	<1	70	--	<12	--	131	2.2	65
14	10	.1	<.1	<1	<1	100	80	20	--	--	--	--
29	51	<.1	<.1	<1	<1	100	60	45	26	299	9.8	47
29	12	.1	<.1	<1	<1	70	30	40	14	253	9.8	73
29	11	.1	<.1	<1	<1	160	80	82	15	156	5.6	64
29	17	.1	<.1	<1	<1	50	0	50	12	52	1.1	47
June												
07	14	--	<.1	--	<1	430	360	66	41	--	--	--
07	20	.1	<.1	<1	<1	90	50	43	17	--	--	--
07	51	<.1	<.1	<1	<1	70	30	41	15	--	--	--
14	17	.2	<.1	<1	<1	140	50	88	18	--	--	--
14	1	.1	<.1	<1	<1	60	9	51	8.0	--	--	--

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982

[Units are in micrograms per liter, except as indicated; $\mu\text{mho}/\text{cm}$ at 25 °C; micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C; NTU: nephelometric turbidity units; mg/L ; milligrams per liter; NO_2 , nitrite; NO_3 , nitrate; N, nitrogen; P, phosphorus; tons/d, tons per day; mm, millimeter]

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (μmho at 25 °C)	Specific conductance tab (at 25 °C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
July 1981										
25	0250	0750	694	--	--	418	7.1	200	100	14
25	0850	1250	1,260	--	--	315	7.3	105	240	8.0
25	1350	1950	865	--	--	227	7.1	110	230	8.0
27	0240	1340	2,710	--	--	243	7.5	140	96	6.4
27	1440	2340	3,800	--	--	239	7.4	160	120	5.1
28	0040	1940	1,040	--	--	294	7.6	170	--	3.0
September										
01	0455	1100	710	--	--	355	7.9	170	98	7.1
01	1710	0012	354	--	--	469	7.8	140	140	6.5
October										
13	1330	2230	717	--	440	415	7.3	200	120	17
13	2330	0425	1,070	--	300	312	8.1	170	110	12
14	0525	1330	827	--	--	336	7.3	145	74	8.0
14	1430	0425	346	--	460	413	7.3	100	63	7.9
17	0630	1130	708	--	400	390	7.4	160	140	18
17	1230	1530	542	--	310	298	7.6	185	86	11
17	1630	2330	260	--	310	374	7.7	120	67	10

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

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Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (umho at 25 °C)	Specific conductance lab (umho at 25 °C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
April 1982										
28	--	--	--	274	--	630	8.0	132	--	--
28	--	--	--	333	620	650	7.5	152	--	--
28	--	--	--	410	610	685	7.4	264	--	--
28	--	--	--	509	610	660	7.6	115	--	--
May										
12	--	--	--	270	650	714	7.8	70	--	--
12	--	--	--	388	680	713	7.9	76	--	--
12	--	--	--	492	675	693	8.0	79	--	--
12	--	--	--	560	--	754	7.9	80	--	--
12	--	--	--	615	740	759	8.0	135	--	--
12	--	--	--	675	750	750	7.9	130	--	--
June										
14	--	--	--	278	650	621	8.3	1,330	1,400	47
14	--	--	--	308	650	637	8.1	450	100	14
14	--	--	--	559	700	674	8.2	338	75	12
14	--	--	--	1,020	580	507	8.0	320	80	20

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue at 180 °C dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L)		
July 1981														
25	270	1,160	1.6	1.6	1.2	.81	3.8	5.0	2.4	1.6	6.6	3.2		
25	272	2,180	1.3	1.2	.33	.10	7.1	7.4	1.7	1.6	8.7	2.9		
25	185	1,400	1.1	1.1	.28	.14	6.8	7.1	1.9	1.8	8.2	2.4		
27	148	3,240	.79	1.0	.31	.10	6.2	6.5	.80	.70	7.3	3.2		
27	155	1,300	.78	.96	.18	.05	4.6	4.8	.80	.75	5.6	1.9		
28	185	990	.79	.90	.20	.09	3.0	3.2	.80	.71	4.0	1.2		
September														
01	213	812	--	1.2	--	.30	--	5.6	2.1	1.8	--	2.8		
01	284	1,360	--	1.3	--	<.04	--	2.7	1.1	--	--	1.2		
October														
13	235	1,470	.85	--	1.1	1.1	4.2	5.4	1.8	.70	6.2	3.2		
13	175	896	.73	--	.54	.13	2.8	3.3	1.0	.90	4.1	2.0		
14	196	523	.77	--	.27	.27	1.9	2.2	.90	.63	3.0	1.2		
14	252	292	1.0	--	.34	.30	1.6	1.9	.87	.57	2.9	1.1		
17	233	1,320	1.1	--	.71	.62	4.4	5.1	1.2	.54	6.2	2.7		
17	178	738	.76	--	.44	.27	2.7	3.1	.98	.71	3.9	1.4		
17	235	332	.95	--	.63	.53	1.7	2.4	1.2	.69	3.3	1.1		

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, Phosphorus, total (mg/L)
April 1982										
28	376	--	--	1.2	1.4	--	3.2	2.4	1.0	-- 2.0
28	416	--	--	1.3	2.0	--	3.0	2.6	.60	-- 3.7
28	415	--	--	1.3	2.3	--	3.0	2.6	.30	-- 2.4
28	395	--	--	1.0	1.4	--	3.0	1.9	.50	-- 1.9
May										
12	416	--	--	2.4	1.3	--	2.7	2.1	.80	-- 1.4
12	415	274	--	2.5	1.4	--	2.7	2.1	.70	-- 1.8
12	399	342	--	2.5	1.2	--	2.0	1.9	.70	-- 1.6
12	439	354	--	2.5	1.1	--	1.7	1.7	.60	-- 1.4
12	441	--	--	2.2	.80	--	1.5	1.5	.70	-- 1.3
12	446	472	--	2.2	1.0	--	1.8	1.8	.80	-- 1.4
June										
14	368	902	--	1.8	1.2	--	10.6	1.9	.70	-- 8.3
14	386	838	--	1.6	.90	--	5.0	2.3	1.4	-- 2.7
14	416	551	--	1.5	1.0	--	3.2	1.4	.40	-- 1.3
14	294	702	--	1.5	1.5	--	4.2	2.0	.50	-- 2.2

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Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended	Copper, dissolved
July 1981												
25	1.5	15	11	4	1	2	60	50	10	80	70	10
25	.24	18	15	3	1	2	70	60	10	110	100	10
25	.19	12	10	2	1	<1	40	30	10	42	33	9
27	.18	18	16	2	2	<1	80	80	0	80	72	8
27	.16	13	11	2	1	<1	40	40	0	42	37	5
28	.14	9	7	2	1	<1	40	30	10	30	24	6
September												
1	.82	3	0	3	8	<1	10	10	0	22	19	3
1	.29	8	5	3	0	<1	30	20	10	46	41	5
October												
13	.96	11	8	3	1	<1	50	50	0	47	44	3
13	.47	7	4	3	1	<1	30	30	0	37	33	4
14	.33	6	3	3	1	0	20	20	0	21	19	2
14	.37	5	3	2	1	<1	10	0	10	13	11	2
17	.54	10	7	3	0	<1	50	50	0	60	58	2
17	.32	7	4	3	1	<1	30	30	0	60	57	3
17	.53	6	3	3	1	<1	10	10	0	18	15	3
April 1982												
28	.80	9	--	--	<10	--	30	--	--	53	--	--
28	.90	11	--	--	<10	--	80	--	--	90	--	--
28	1.0	9	--	--	<5	--	40	--	--	47	--	--
28	.80	5	--	--	<5	--	20	--	--	29	--	--

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended	Copper, dissolved
May 1982												
12	1.0	--	--	--	1	--	20	--	--	16	--	--
12	1.0	--	--	3	1	<3	20	--	<10	23	17	6
12	1.3	--	--	3	<1	<3	20	--	<10	18	14	4
12	1.1	--	--	3	1	<3	20	--	<10	16	12	4
12	.80	--	--	2	1	<3	20	--	<10	24	19	5
12	1.0	--	--	3	5	<3	20	--	<10	34	28	6
June												
14	.22	12	11	1	2	<1	200	--	<10	220	210	8
14	.16	6	4	2	<1	<1	50	--	<10	44	40	4
14	.35	6	5	1	3	<1	40	--	<10	30	23	7
14	.60	7	4	3	4	<1	40	--	<10	32	27	5

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
July 1981											
25	49,000	48,000	1,400	100	90	10	2,100	2,000	120	0.5	0.5
25	64,000	62,000	1,900	65	58	7	2,300	2,200	130	.2	.1
25	37,000	36,000	720	30	22	8	1,000	960	40	.2	.2
27	66,000	66,000	160	68	64	4	2,200	2,200	6	.3	.3
27	35,000	35,000	75	25	23	2	1,200	1,200	2	.2	.2
28	25,000	25,000	120	17	14	3	790	790	3	.1	.1
September											
1	13,000	13,000	65	20	17	3	560	560	2	.1	.1
1	34,000	34,000	57	36	32	4	1,500	1,500	6	.1	.1
October											
13	35,000	35,000	39	67	65	2	1,300	1,300	20	.2	.2
13	23,000	23,000	140	39	39	0	830	830	2	.1	.1
14	14,000	14,000	90	25	22	3	570	570	0	.1	.1
14	7,100	7,000	94	15	14	1	380	380	4	.1	.1
17	34,000	34,000	89	95	94	1	1,500	1,500	22	.2	.2
17	24,000	24,000	150	39	39	0	810	810	5	.1	.1
17	9,300	9,200	100	19	19	0	410	400	7	.0	.0
April 1982											
28	33,000	--	--	30	--	--	1,600	--	--	.1	--
28	73,000	--	--	120	--	--	3,100	--	--	.2	--
28	41,000	--	--	65	--	--	1,800	--	--	.1	--
28	17,000	--	--	40	--	--	1,100	--	--	.1	--

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
May 1982											
12	7,900	--	--	13	--	--	610	--	--	--	--
12	7,200	7,200	21	18	15	3	600	--	<3	--	--
12	8,000	8,000	14	21	19	2	620	--	<3	--	--
12	7,000	7,000	10	16	14	2	590	--	<3	--	--
12	10,000	--	<9	17	16	1	580	--	<3	--	--
12	9,500	--	<9	18	15	3	540	--	<3	--	--
June											
14	180,000	180,000	27	<1	--	2	8,100	7,000	1,100	.6	--
14	34,000	34,000	7	30	--	<1	1,500	1,300	250	.2	--
14	23,000	23,000	54	24	--	<1	1,100	1,000	91	.1	--
14	24,000	24,000	8	24	--	<1	1,200	1,200	7	.2	--

Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
July 1981											
25	0.0	0	0	0	270	250	24	38	2,860	5,360	73
25	.1	0	0	0	270	240	35	45	3,710	12,600	84
25	.0	0	0	0	200	180	23	44	2,580	6,030	89
27	.0	0	0	0	300	270	35	42	3,850	28,200	88
27	.0	0	0	0	170	140	30	36	1,990	20,400	91
28	.0	0	0	0	120	90	31	--	1,120	3,150	94
September											
01	.0	1	1	0	70	50	18	--	1,900	3,640	70
01	.0	0	0	0	170	150	17	--	593	567	58
October											
13	.0	1	1	0	220	170	47	38	1,680	3,250	67
13	.0	0	0	0	140	100	40	25	1,010	2,930	76
14	.0	0	0	0	80	50	30	19	606	1,350	88
14	.0	0	0	0	50	9	41	16	306	286	78
17	.0	0	0	0	240	180	58	--	1,710	3,270	80
17	.0	0	0	0	190	140	48	--	876	1,280	84
17	.0	0	0	0	70	20	48	--	384	270	84

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Table 21.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near Gregory Boulevard (station 4, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
April 1982											
28	--	1	--	--	210	--	--	--	1,570	1,160	68
28	--	1	--	--	430	--	--	--	450	405	61
28	--	3	--	--	260	--	--	--	2,860	3,170	65
28	--	1	--	--	150	--	--	--	984	1,350	71
May											
12	--	--	--	--	80	--	--	42	313	228	80
12	<.1	--	--	<1	90	70	20	13	319	334	76
12	<.1	--	--	<1	80	70	12	13	414	550	92
12	<.1	--	--	<1	60	--	<12	10	--	--	93
12	<.1	--	--	1	80	70	12	12	421	699	81
12	<.1	--	--	<1	100	--	<12	12	513	935	88
June											
14	<.1	1	--	<1	1,000	840	160	200	14,600	11,000	71
14	<.1	1	0	1	220	160	63	36	2,390	1,990	81
14	<.1	1	0	1	130	10	120	23	1,500	2,260	85
14	<.1	1	--	<1	140	100	38	31	1,700	4,680	90

Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982

[units are in micrograms per liter, except as indicated; $\mu\text{mho}/\text{cm}$ at 25 °C; micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C; NTU: nephelometric turbidity units; mg/L; milligrams per liter; NO_2^- , nitrite; NO_3^- , nitrate; N, nitrogen; P, phosphorus; tons/d, tons per day; mm, millimeter]

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (μmho at 25°C)	Specific conductance lab (μmho at 25°C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
July 1981										
27	0115	0445	3,980	--	--	180	6.9	125	180	0.3
September										
01	0450	0535	772	--	--	216	7.6	32	140	23
October										
13	1050	1210	1,160	--	170	174	7.5	110	150	47
13	1220	1320	629	--	120	185	6.9	110	120	15
13	1340	1510	294	--	140	163	6.9	75	72	9.4
17	0555	0710	1,450	--	140	129	7.4	110	160	17
17	0725	0825	682	--	150	138	7.5	130	79	9.9
17	0840	1030	386	--	180	178	7.6	94	69	6.8
April 1982										
28	--	--	--	365	270	237	6.9	90	--	--
28	--	--	--	343	290	265	7.0	87	--	--
28	--	--	--	351	305	290	7.2	60	--	--
28	--	--	--	368	280	297	6.9	54	--	--

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Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (umho at 25°C)	Specific conductance Tab (umho at 25°C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/l)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/l)
May 1982										
29	--	--	--	480	260	241	7.2	--	500	--
29	--	--	--	1,570	160	164	7.1	--	260	--
29	--	--	--	960	120	120	7.2	--	76	--
29	--	--	--	1,100	220	224	7.4	--	100	--
June										
07	--	--	--	2,290	120	124	7.3	280	280	40
07	--	--	--	1,860	110	111	7.3	180	180	24
07	--	--	--	8,600	160	154	7.3	370	190	20
July										
06	--	--	--	458	520	--	--	800	--	380
06	--	--	--	826	200	--	--	400	--	140
06	--	--	--	1,070	180	--	--	320	--	120
06	--	--	--	970	165	--	--	230	--	95
06	--	--	--	626	160	--	--	190	--	71
06	--	--	--	303	160	--	--	160	--	54

Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue at 180 °C dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus total (mg/L)
July 1981												
27	148	1,430	0.43	0.45	0.34	0.17	5.6	5.9	1.4	1.2	6.3	2.3
September												
01	110	46	--	.54	--	<.04	--	3.8	.70	--	--	1.1
October												
13	107	854	.23	--	.51	.37	7.9	8.4	1.0	.63	8.6	2.5
13	71	540	.26	--	.22	.15	3.2	3.4	1.1	.95	3.7	.96
13	80	225	.42	--	.22	.15	1.8	2.0	.90	.75	2.4	.58
17	75	630	.30	--	.14	.09	4.5	4.7	.54	.45	5.0	1.5
17	83	742	.36	--	<.04	<.04	--	3.4	.68	--	3.8	1.2
17	107	224	.66	--	.17	.15	1.8	2.0	1.0	.86	2.6	.63
April 1982												
28	146	--	--	.54	--	.70	--	2.7	1.9	1.2	--	1.7
28	153	--	--	.44	--	.50	--	2.4	1.6	1.1	--	1.1
28	182	--	--	.56	--	.50	--	.9	1.3	.80	--	1.3
28	188	--	--	.48	--	.40	--	.9	1.6	1.2	--	1.0
May												
29	148	3,110	--	.35	--	<.40	--	6.5	1.7	--	--	5.0
29	110	702	--	.32	--	<.40	--	1.2	1.1	--	--	1.7
29	84	687	--	.31	--	<.40	--	3.1	1.1	--	--	1.2
29	128	782	--	.41	--	<.40	--	2.7	1.2	--	--	1.3

Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus total (mg/L)
June 1982											
07	87	1,540	--	0.49	--	<0.40	--	1.4	1.3	--	0.23
07	78	901	--	.53	--	<.40	--	1.2	.93	--	1.0
07	94	1,740	--	.68	--	<.40	--	1.2	.93	--	1.1
July											
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	34.0	--	--	11.6
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	17.6	--	--	4.8
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	10.0	--	--	3.2
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	9.2	--	--	2.4
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.8	--	--	1.8
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6.8	--	--	1.4

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Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved recoverable	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
July 1981												
27	0.22	21	18	3	2	<1	70	60	10	100	92	8
September												
01	.12	5	2	3	3	<1	30	30	0	46	40	6
October												
13	.25	11	9	2	3	<1	70	70	0	80	75	5
13	.24	7	5	2	2	<1	20	20	0	35	34	1
13	.23	5	2	3	2	<1	10	10	0	21	19	2
17	.17	12	10	2	2	<1	20	20	0	54	51	3
17	.16	8	4	4	1	<1	20	20	0	40	38	2
17	.21	7	2	5	1	<1	10	10	0	17	11	6
April 1982												
28	.40	8	--	--	5	--	30	--	--	50	--	--
28	.30	6	--	--	<10	--	30	--	--	51	--	--
28	.40	3	--	--	<20	--	20	--	--	37	--	--
28	.30	5	--	--	<10	--	20	--	--	31	--	--
May												
29	.22	18	15	3	<1	<3	90	--	<10	160	160	2
29	.33	11	9	2	<1	<3	50	--	<10	90	88	2
29	.17	6	4	2	1	<3	20	--	<10	35	31	4
29	.13	9	7	2	<1	<3	40	--	<10	43	38	5

Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
June, 1982												
07	0.40	10	8	2	1	<1	60	--	<10	140	--	<1
07	.23	7	5	2	5	<1	30	--	<10	80	78	2
07	.23	14	10	4	<1	<1	50	40	10	80	--	<1
July												
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

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Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
July 1981											
27 September	31,000	31,000	230	480	470	7	1,600	1,300	300	0.5	0.5
01	8,600	8,500	76	300	290	8	490	350	140	.2	.2
October											
13	23,000	23,000	130	510	510	2	1,300	1,100	180	.5	.5
13	14,000	14,000	79	160	160	3	710	690	16	.2	.2
13	6,300	6,200	130	73	69	4	310	300	14	.1	.1
17	16,000	16,000	130	310	310	1	730	690	36	.3	.3
17	20,000	20,000	150	160	160	0	840	830	9	.2	.2
17	7,900	7,700	170	60	58	2	300	300	4	.1	.1
April 1982											
28	11,000	--	--	300	--	--	610	--	--	.5	--
28	10,000	--	--	260	--	--	740	--	--	.2	--
28	7,600	--	--	240	--	--	640	--	--	.2	--
28	9,800	--	--	210	--	--	740	--	--	.2	--
May											
29	58,000	58,000	120	1100	--	<1	2,500	1,800	670	.6	--
29	32,000	32,000	120	780	--	<1	1,400	1,100	310	.8	--
29	10,000	9,900	120	240	230	7	450	400	48	.3	--
29	13,000	13,000	100	200	200	3	870	850	22	.3	--

Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
June 1982											
07	36,000	36,000	210	1200	--	<1	1,700	1,600	100	0.5	--
07	19,000	19,000	200	480	470	6	880	840	45	.4	--
07	45,000	45,000	370	380	--	<1	2,200	2,200	51	.3	--
July											
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--

Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
July 1981											
27	0.0	0	0	0	540	530	12	37	1,620	17,400	38
September											
01	.0	0	0	0	270	240	34	--	402	838	56
October											
13	.0	1	1	0	540	480	63	63	1,210	3,790	30
13	.0	0	0	0	220	200	21	30	706	1,200	61
13	.0	0	0	0	100	80	16	16	475	377	37
17	.0	0	0	0	330	290	44	34	937	3,670	46
17	.0	1	1	0	220	190	33	33	865	1,590	69
17	.0	0	0	0	90	50	41	17	268	279	88
April 1982											
28	--	1	--	--	380	--	--	--	720	710	27
28	--	1	--	--	340	--	--	--	401	371	7
28	--	1	--	--	230	--	--	--	510	483	47
28	--	1	--	--	250	--	--	--	533	530	42
May											
29	<.1	2	--	<1	1000	950	53	120	4,010	5,200	48
29	<.1	1	--	<1	660	560	100	67	2,170	9,200	56
29	<.1	1	--	<1	230	180	48	19	917	2,380	61
29	<.1	1	--	<1	240	160	78	23	567	1,680	60

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Table 22.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Brush Creek at Elmwood Avenue (station 6, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
June 1982											
07	<0.1	1	--	<1	910	860	49	55	2,730	16,900	39
07	<.1	1	--	<1	550	490	59	34	1,180	5,930	57
07	<.1	--	--	<1	480	300	180	43	2,670	62,000	86
July											
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	6,450	7,980	21
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	2,290	5,110	12
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,530	4,420	26
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1,100	2,880	33
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	819	1,380	42
06	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	436	357	45

Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982

[units are in micrograms per liter, except as indicated; $\mu\text{mho}/\text{cm}$ at 25 °C; micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C; NTU: nephelometric turbidity units; mg/L; milligrams per liter; NO_2^- , nitrite; NO_3^- , nitrate; N, nitrogen; P, phosphorus; tons/d, tons per day; mm, millimeter]

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (μmhos)	Specific conductance lab (μmhos)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
July 1981										
25	0530	1130	929	--	--	446	7.3	160	150	14
25	1230	1630	1,510	--	--	369	7.9	140	--	--
25	1730	2030	1,160	--	--	247	7.7	120	150	--
27	0150	1150	3,940	--	--	214	7.4	180	--	6.9
27	1250	1950	5,560	--	--	228	7.4	160	--	8.1
27	2050	650	4,220	--	--	251	7.5	175	94	4.1
September										
01	0550	1350	667	--	--	476	7.7	170	140	8.9
01	1450	2250	658	--	--	334	7.8	180	130	6.9
October										
13	1130	2030	1,150	--	380	382	7.1	160	74	16
13	2130	225	1,880	--	310	325	7.3	180	89	12
14	0325	825	1,710	--	310	305	6.9	160	89	11
14	0925	2240	922	--	380	341	7.2	150	31	8.4
17	0610	1010	1,070	--	210	183	7.6	115	110	13
17	1110	1410	1,080	--	440	373	8.8	170	150	15
17	1510	2110	786	--	360	331	7.8	170	89	12

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Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (μmhos)	Specific conductance lab (μmhos)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
April 1982										
28	--	--	--	456	250	255	7.1	70	--	--
28	--	--	--	510	290	298	7.0	46	--	--
28	--	--	--	540	280	295	6.9	60	--	--
28	--	--	--	600	240	284	7.3	90	--	--
May										
12	--	--	--	455	520	530	7.9	52	--	--
12	--	--	--	500	560	576	7.8	46	--	--
12	--	--	--	545	600	618	7.9	64	--	--
12	--	--	--	597	630	648	7.8	82	--	--
12	--	--	--	633	620	622	7.8	150	--	--
12	--	--	--	745	560	533	7.7	200	--	--

Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L)
July 1981											
25	276	2,050	1.7	1.6	0.91	.78	3.0	3.9	1.9	1.1	3.1
25	220	2,810	1.5	1.5	.14	<.04	3.0	3.1	.30	--	2.1
25	164	2,240	1.2	1.4	.20	<.04	6.7	6.9	.60	--	2.2
27	132	1,410	.71	.88	.24	.06	4.0	4.2	.50	.44	2.1
27	143	1,330	.82	1.0	.32	<.04	4.4	4.7	.60	--	2.2
27	163	--	.78	1.2	.17	<.04	3.7	3.9	.80	--	1.4
September											
01	198	928	--	1.3	--	.57	--	5.3	2.2	1.6	2.7
01	271	1,130	--	.90	--	<.04	--	4.5	1.0	--	1.7
October											
13	203	780	.74	--	1.1	.16	3.3	4.4	1.6	1.5	2.7
13	177	868	.79	--	.51	.48	3.2	3.7	1.1	.62	2.5
14	170	778	.75	--	.46	.36	2.6	3.1	1.1	.74	2.0
14	203	542	.82	--	.26	.24	2.0	2.2	1.1	.83	1.4
17	120	388	.41	--	.14	.06	3.1	3.2	.79	.73	1.2
17	252	1,450	.77	--	.56	.42	4.4	5.0	1.1	.70	2.5
17	207	672	1.0	--	.65	.51	2.9	3.5	1.3	.79	1.7

Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue at 180 °C dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, Phosphorus, total (mg/L)
April 1982										
28	172	--	--	--	--	--	2.4	--	--	0.80
28	189	--	--	0.61	0.60	--	2.2	1.9	1.3	.60
28	185	--	--	.47	.80	--	2.1	1.5	.70	.90
28	123	--	--	.54	1.1	--	2.0	1.7	.60	.60
May										
12	294	109	--	1.8	1.7	--	2.9	2.8	1.1	1.3
12	328	170	--	2.0	1.7	--	2.8	2.8	1.1	1.5
12	351	262	--	2.1	1.3	--	2.5	2.5	1.2	1.6
12	376	304	--	2.5	.90	--	1.9	1.9	1.0	1.7
12	358	--	--	2.5	.60	--	1.5	1.5	.90	1.7
12	317	956	--	2.1	.60	--	1.5	1.5	.90	2.0

Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
July 1981												
25	0.56	15	12	3	1	1	60	50	10	80	71	9
25	.14	13	11	2	1	<1	60	50	10	70	65	5
25	.10	15	14	1	1	<1	60	50	10	52	49	3
27	.12	9	6	3	1	<1	50	40	10	50	45	5
27	.10	13	11	2	1	<1	40	40	0	70	68	2
27	.12	10	8	2	1	<1	40	30	10	34	29	5
September												
01	.74	8	4	4	0	<1	20	20	0	41	39	2
01	.27	8	6	2	0	<1	20	10	10	34	27	7
October												
13	.90	8	5	3	1	<1	20	20	0	46	43	3
13	.51	11	8	3	0	<1	30	30	0	31	28	3
14	.41	8	5	3	1	<1	20	20	0	27	25	2
14	.34	6	3	3	2	<1	20	20	0	22	20	2
17	.19	10	7	3	1	<1	20	20	0	34	32	2
17	.34	13	11	2	1	<1	50	50	0	50	48	2
17	.51	8	4	4	0	<1	40	40	0	31	28	3

Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
April 1982												
28	--	4	--	--	<5	--	10	--	--	25	--	--
28	0.10	4	--	--	<10	--	10	--	--	39	--	--
28	<.10	5	--	--	<5	--	10	--	--	24	--	--
28	.60	5	--	--	10	--	10	--	--	31	--	--
May												
12	1.0	--	--	2	1	--	10	--	<10	12	4	8
12	1.1	--	--	3	1	--	10	--	<10	17	11	6
12	1.1	--	--	3	1	--	20	--	<10	24	18	6
12	1.0	4	1	3	1	--	20	--	<10	21	16	5
12	.80	--	--	--	2	--	30	--	--	27	--	--
12	.70	--	--	--	1	--	30	--	--	37	--	--

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Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
July 1981											
25	43,000	43,000	260	110	100	7	1,800	1,800	28	0.3	0.3
25	51,000	51,000	28	67	60	7	2,200	2,200	1	.2	.1
25	48,000	48,000	77	50	43	7	1,500	1,500	1	.2	.2
27	35,000	35,000	62	140	140	3	1,400	1,400	1	.2	.2
27	46,000	46,000	78	140	140	4	1,300	1,300	1	.2	.2
27	28,000	28,000	57	25	21	4	880	880	2	.1	.1
September											
01	28,000	28,000	56	48	44	4	1,300	1,200	63	.1	.1
01	29,000	29,000	53	29	25	4	1,100	--	<1	.0	.0
October											
13	17,000	17,000	65	120	120	0	700	660	40	.3	.3
13	20,000	20,000	92	64	63	1	770	760	13	2.1	2.1
14	17,000	17,000	83	49	49	0	750	740	7	.1	.1
14	12,000	12,000	93	33	32	1	550	550	3	.1	.1
17	13,000	13,000	98	180	180	2	630	620	13	.3	.3
17	40,000	40,000	56	96	95	1	1,400	1,400	11	.5	.5
17	19,000	19,000	66	50	48	2	890	890	2	.2	.2

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Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
April 1982											
28	6,900	--	--	120	--	--	450	--	--	0.1	--
28	6,600	--	--	110	--	--	450	--	--	.2	--
28	7,600	--	--	170	--	--	500	--	--	.1	--
28	7,700	--	--	100	--	--	490	--	--	.2	--
May											
12	3,300	3,300	35	31	29	2	290	280	14	--	--
12	4,000	4,000	28	28	27	1	320	320	4	--	--
12	6,200	6,200	21	34	33	1	440	440	3	--	--
12	8,800	8,800	17	33	31	2	590	580	6	.1	--
12	1,100	--	--	34	--	--	680	--	--	--	--
12	20,000	--	--	47	--	--	990	--	--	--	--

Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
July 1981											
25	0.0	0	0	1	260	250	11	36	2,500	6,720	88
25	.1	0	0	0	240	220	17	--	3,210	13,100	90
25	.0	0	0	0	210	190	18	36	2,740	8,580	87
27	.0	0	0	0	260	240	17	--	2,030	21,600	75
27	.0	0	0	0	230	220	15	--	2,200	33,000	90
27	.0	0	0	0	140	100	44	33	1,360	15,500	86
September											
01	.0	0	0	0	200	180	25	--	1,450	2,610	79
01	.0	0	0	0	140	120	21	--	1,330	2,360	90
October											
13	.0	0	0	0	200	170	30	33	841	2,610	68
13	.0	0	0	0	150	100	47	30	1,100	5,580	80
14	.0	0	0	0	130	110	21	25	879	4,060	77
14	.0	0	0	0	100	70	27	24	574	1,430	89
17	.0	0	0	0	220	200	24	--	683	1,970	75
17	.0	1	1	0	270	220	52	--	1,810	5,280	89
17	.0	0	0	0	140	110	28	--	865	1,840	84

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Table 23.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River at Coalmine Road (station 7, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
April 1982											
28	--	1	--	--	170	--	--	--	314	387	81
28	--	1	--	--	190	--	--	--	276	380	74
28	--	1	--	--	180	--	--	--	315	459	73
28	--	1	--	--	170	--	--	--	349	565	74
May											
12	<.1	--	--	<1	70	40	35	13	121	149	82
12	<.1	--	--	<1	70	50	19	12	171	231	86
12	<.1	--	--	<1	90	70	17	13	292	430	84
12	<.1	<1	--	<1	100	80	23	15	486	783	78
12	--	--	--	--	110	--	--	--	658	1,130	81
12	--	--	--	--	160	--	--	23	2,850	5,730	91

Table 24.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) for storms during April-June, 1982

[Units are in micrograms per liter, except as indicated; umho/cm at 25 °C; micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C;
NTU: nephelometric turbidity units; mg/L; milligrams per liter; NO₂, nitrite; NO₃, nitrate; N, nitrogen;
P, phosphorus; tons/d, tons per day; mm, millimeter]

Date	Starting time (2400) hours	Ending time (2400) hours	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (umhos/cm at 25 °C)	Specific conductance lab (umhos/cm at 25 °C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
April 1982									
28	1220	1800	7.1	215	215	7.4	19	52	--
28	1820	1950	10	175	165	7.0	23	--	--
28	2000	2300	5.9	205	208	7.1	14	31	--
May									
11	1310	1340	6.9	--	228	6.8	--	--	--
13	0736	0838	3.1	--	275	7.0	--	--	--
14	1900	2030	56	--	110	7.1	--	66	--
28	0900	1030	.48	580	--	--	--	220	--
29	0130	0310	14	115	119	6.8	--	54	--
29	0320	0500	10	100	108	7.2	--	13	--
June									
14	1340	1520	3.1	300	280	7.1	30	--	35
15	0240	0335	.62	380	387	7.2	12	120	27
15	0725	0810	18	120	--	--	28	71	7.5
15	0815	0855	3.9	170	164	7.7	12	--	3.3
15	0905	1030	6.3	160	163	7.5	12	37	<1.0

Table 24.--Water-quality data for storm for runoff in the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) for storms during April-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (µmhos/cm at 25 °C)	Specific conductance lab (µmhos/cm at 25 °C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
June 1982--continued									
25	0619	0654	0.66	--	566	6.2	--	420	--
25	1710	1730	2.3	--	232	6.3	--	240	--
25	1730	1750	32	--	126	6.7	--	120	--
25	1750	1910	8.6	--	131	7.1	--	60	--

Date	Solids, residue at 180 °C dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total
April 1982										
28	132	96	0.49	0.80	1.5	1.3	0.50	0.20	0.10	1
28	102	--	.43	.10	1.2	1.5	1.4	.20	.10	2
28	123	--	.49	.20	1.2	1.3	1.1	.10	.20	1
May										
11	146	--	.45	<.40	1.7	1.0	--	.30	.30	--
13	164	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
14	64	372	.25	<.40	<.10	<.10	--	.40	.10	--
28	--	--	1.2	<.40	3.3	2.8	--	.47	.27	2
29	66	--	.24	<.40	.12	.87	--	.17	.10	2
29	66	--	.45	<.40	1.4	.76	--	.16	.10	1

Table 24.--Water-quality data for storm for runoff in the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) for storms during April-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue dissolved (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/l)	Arsenic, total
June 1982									
14	201	--	0.89	<0.40	2.5	2.3	0.23	<0.10	--
15	259	36	.61	<.40	1.7	1.7	.32	.24	1
15	5	--	.40	<.40	1.2	.80	.41	.10	1
15	101	--	.44	<.40	.63	1.8	.11	<.10	--
15	98	21	.21	<.40	.63	.80	.18	<.10	1
25	479	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	--
25	190	--	--	--	--	--	--	--	1
25	86	263	--	--	--	--	--	--	2
25	79	110	--	--	--	--	--	--	2
April 1982									
28	0	1	<1	<3	10	--	23	19	4
28	1	1	<10	<3	10	--	16	12	4
28	0	1	<5	<3	10	--	10	6	4

Table 24.--Water-quality data for storm for runoff in the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) for storms during April-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
May 1982										
11	--	1	2	1	20	10	10	32	22	10
13	--	--	1	--	<10	--	--	14	--	--
14	--	1	2	<3	30	--	<10	29	22	7
28	1	1	1	3	10	0	10	28	11	17
29	1	1	2	<3	10	--	<10	15	10	5
29	0	1	2	<3	10	--	<10	9	5	4
June										
14	--	1	1	<1	20	--	<10	20	10	10
15	0	1	1	<1	10	--	<10	14	4	10
15	0	1	2	<1	20	--	<10	15	9	6
15	--	1	1	<1	10	--	<10	8	3	5
15	0	1	<1	<1	10	--	<10	8	3	5
25	--	2	2	2	10	--	<10	35	11	24
25	0	1	2	1	20	--	<10	19	1	18
25	1	1	3	<1	20	--	<10	34	21	13
25	1	1	1	<1	10	--	<10	14	5	9

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Table 24.--Water-quality data for storm for runoff in the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) for storms during April-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable
April 1982										
28	2,300	2,200	82	78	71	7	130	90	40	0.1
28	3,100	3,000	53	70	64	6	180	160	22	<.1
28	870	830	36	35	31	4	80	50	26	<.1
May										
11	4,700	4,600	100	200	190	8	420	300	120	--
13	790	--	--	60	--	--	130	--	--	--
14	9,900	9,700	250	210	200	11	520	480	38	--
28	1,400	1,300	82	72	64	8	480	60	420	.1
29	2,300	2,200	89	70	66	4	240	220	22	.1
29	1,000	890	110	18	17	1	90	80	12	<.1
June										
14	3,100	3,000	88	130	130	4	370	170	200	--
15	640	480	160	34	--	<10	360	40	320	.1
15	3,400	3,300	76	110	110	2	310	270	38	.1
15	550	500	46	16	--	<5	80	30	53	--
15	770	720	51	26	23	3	80	40	41	.1
25	2,000	1,800	220	55	40	15	870	370	500	--
25	3,300	3,100	180	92	78	14	300	60	240	.6
25	5,300	5,200	52	230	220	7	980	840	140	.4
25	2,600	2,600	37	72	--	<1	290	220	66	.3

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Table 24.--Water-quality data for storm for runoff in the Blue Ridge Mall storm sewer (station 8, fig. 1) for storms during April-June, 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
April 1982										
28	<0.1	<1	<1	170	130	45	12	122	2.4	77
28	<.1	<1	<1	160	120	43	9.1	178	4.8	81
28	<.1	<1	<1	100	50	49	6.8	45	.72	81
May										
11	<.1	--	<1	370	300	70	--	249	4.7	58
13	--	--	--	110	--	--	--	--	--	--
14	<.1	--	<1	290	260	31	13	676	101	76
28	<.1	--	<1	210	90	120	--	30	.04	58
29	<.1	--	<1	140	90	48	11	119	4.6	80
29	<.1	<1	<1	60	20	44	5.5	33	.91	87
June										
14	<.1	--	<1	260	150	110	--	90	.76	60
15	<.1	<1	<1	140	20	120	15	--	--	--
15	<.1	<1	<1	190	70	120	15	--	--	--
15	<.1	--	<1	80	2	78	9.4	--	--	--
15	<.1	<1	<1	80	6	74	9.3	--	--	--
25	<.1	--	<1	290	60	230	130	145	.26	69
25	<.1	<1	<1	520	200	320	48	--	--	--
25	<.1	<1	<1	380	230	150	28	124	11	20
25	<.1	<1	<1	140	10	130	12	246	5.7	58

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982

[Units are in micrograms per liter, except as indicated; $\mu\text{mho/cm}$ at 25 °C; micromhos per centimeter at 25 °C; NTU: nephelometric turbidity units; mg/L; milligrams per liter; NO_2 , nitrite; NO_3 , nitrate; N, nitrogen; P, phosphorus; tons/d, tons per day; mm, millimeter.]

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow, instantaneous, (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance ($\mu\text{mhos/cm}$ at 25 °C)	Specific conductance lab ($\mu\text{mhos/cm}$ at 25 °C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)
July 1981										
25	1400	1900	1,390	--	--	484	7.6	200	--	--
27	0140	1340	4,320	--	--	262	7.5	150	130	9.0
27	2100	0600	4,780	--	--	240	7.5	160	150	5.9
October										
13	1220	2020	1,160	--	700	640	6.3	96	87	9.7
13	2120	0220	1,720	--	380	343	7.4	180	140	15
14	0320	0820	1,620	--	350	350	7.4	200	120	12
14	0925	1940	982	--	360	335	7.2	170	99	9.6
17	5550	1320	3,560	--	460	451	7.6	150	99	11
17	1350	1550	577	--	250	222	7.7	155	89	--
17	1620	1920	509	--	400	373	7.7	155	87	6.9
April 1982										
28	--	--	--	540	650	657	7.4	68	--	--
28	--	--	--	566	640	640	7.6	50	--	--
28	--	--	--	627	640	670	7.8	34	--	--
28	--	--	--	723	700	640	7.3	42	--	--

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Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Starting time (2400 hours)	Ending time (2400 hours)	Discharge, (cubic feet per second)	Streamflow instantaneous, (cubic feet per second)	Specific conductance (µmhos/cm at 25 °C)	Specific conductance lab (µmhos/cm at 25 °C)	pH (units)	Turbidity (NTU)	Chemical oxygen demand (mg/L)	5-day biochemical oxygen demand (mg/L)		
May 1982												
12	--	--	--	530	750	767	7.8	--	--	--		
12	--	--	--	550	740	734	8.0	--	--	--		
12	--	--	--	580	740	744	8.2	--	--	--		
12	--	--	--	618	740	744	8.2	--	--	--		
12	--	--	--	694	750	751	8.0	--	--	--		
12	--	--	--	764	760	771	8.0	--	--	--		
July 1981												
25	293	1,520	1.6	1.8	0.67	0.39	2.8	3.5	1.0	0.61	5.1	2.1
27	159	760	.65	.82	.36	.18	4.9	5.3	.90	.72	5.9	2.4
27	143	1,670	.81	1.0	.26	.07	4.2	4.5	1.0	.93	5.3	1.8

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Solids, residue dissolved (mg/L) at 180 °C	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic total (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, dissolved (mg/L) as N)	Nitrogen, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L)
October 1981												
13	373	354	0.95	--	1.2	1.0	2.1	3.4	1.9	0.82	4.3	2.2
13	203	--	.59	--	.94	.75	4.5	5.4	1.5	.74	6.0	2.8
14	189	1,040	.58	--	.64	.46	3.2	3.8	1.2	.73	4.4	2.2
14	188	770	.60	--	.49	.39	2.6	3.1	.98	.59	3.7	1.6
17	286	812	.70	--	.40	.32	2.8	3.2	.83	.51	3.9	1.5
17	149	784	.42	--	.18	.08	2.4	2.6	.42	.34	3.0	1.4
17	239	692	.77	--	.29	.26	2.1	2.4	.69	.43	3.1	1.3
April 1982												
28	413	--	--	1.6	--	2.4	--	2.4	2.5	.10	--	1.3
28	394	--	--	1.7	--	1.4	--	2.2	2.5	1.1	--	1.1
28	409	--	--	1.7	--	1.3	--	2.4	2.6	1.3	--	1.2
28	401	--	--	1.4	--	2.5	--	3.0	2.3	--	--	1.1

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982.--Continued

Date	Solids, residue dissolved at 180 °C (mg/L)	Solids, residue at 105 °C suspended (mg/L)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, NO ₂ + NO ₃ dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic total (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, ammonia and organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, organic dissolved (mg/L as N)	Nitrogen, total (mg/L)	Phosphorus, total (mg/L)	
May 1982												
12	326	65	--	2.2	--	0.60	--	1.5	0.90	--	0.90	
12	445	39	--	1.9	--	.50	--	1.5	1.0	--	.70	
12	447	33	--	1.8	--	.60	--	1.4	.80	--	.70	
12	447	29	--	1.8	--	.70	--	1.6	.90	--	.70	
12	444	73	--	2.0	--	.50	--	1.5	1.0	--	.80	
12	469	170	--	2.2	--	.70	--	1.6	.90	--	1.0	
July 1981												
25	0.33	9	6	3	1	<1	50	50	0	51	48	3
27	.10	12	9	3	1	<1	50	40	10	46	43	3
27	.08	17	15	2	2	<1	60	50	10	90	87	3

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
October 1981												
13	0.91	7	4	3	2	<1	20	20	0	40	38	2
13	.44	12	10	2	1	<1	50	50	0	50	48	2
14	.36	14	11	3	1	<1	30	30	0	44	43	1
14	.35	7	4	3	2	<1	20	20	0	45	44	1
17	.32	7	5	2	1	<1	30	20	10	50	47	3
17	.18	8	6	2	2	<1	30	30	0	54	52	2
17	.29	6	3	3	6	<1	30	30	0	36	34	2
April 1982												
28	.60	5	--	--	<20	--	20	--	--	53	--	--
28	.60	5	--	--	<10	--	20	--	--	80	--	--
28	.90	5	--	--	<10	--	10	--	--	41	--	--
28	.60	5	--	--	<10	--	20	--	--	53	--	--

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Phosphorus, dissolved (mg/L)	Arsenic, total	Arsenic, suspended total	Arsenic, dissolved	Cadmium, total recoverable	Cadmium, dissolved	Chromium, total recoverable	Chromium, suspended recoverable	Chromium, dissolved	Copper, total recoverable	Copper, suspended recoverable	Copper, dissolved
May 1982												
12	0.60	4	1	3	5	10	10	--	<10	9	2	7
12	.50	3	0	3	1	<3	10	--	<10	17	11	6
12	.50	3	0	3	2	<3	10	--	<10	11	4	7
12	.60	3	0	3	1	<3	10	--	<10	14	7	7
12	.80	4	1	3	1	<3	10	--	<10	15	8	7
12	.50	4	1	3	4	4	10	--	<10	28	20	8
July 1981												
25	37,000	37,000	26	82	76	6	1,500	1,500	3	0.2	0.2	0.2
27	40,000	40,000	110	79	73	6	1,200	1,200	2	.2	.2	.2
27	46,000	46,000	73	170	170	3	1,700	1,700	18	.3	.3	.3

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Iron, total recoverable	Iron, suspended recoverable	Iron, dissolved	Lead, total recoverable	Lead, suspended recoverable	Lead, dissolved	Manganese, total recoverable	Manganese, suspended recoverable	Manganese, dissolved	Mercury, total recoverable	Mercury, suspended recoverable
October 1981											
13	9,300	9,300	26	97	97	0	590	480	110	0.1	0.1
13	26,000	26,000	34	130	130	1	910	850	58	.2	.2
14	24,000	24,000	48	84	84	0	890	880	10	.1	.1
14	18,000	18,000	73	63	63	0	650	650	1	.1	.1
17	17,000	17,000	50	100	99	1	810	770	41	.2	.2
17	22,000	22,000	97	100	97	3	800	800	4	.3	.3
17	16,000	16,000	68	80	79	1	630	620	8	.2	.2
April 1982											
28	13,000	--	--	140	--	--	970	--	--	.2	--
28	8,800	--	--	12	--	--	850	--	--	.1	--
28	6,400	--	--	110	--	--	880	--	--	.1	--
28	9,600	--	--	130	--	--	940	--	--	.1	--
May											
12	1,700	1,700	33	6	4	2	560	380	180	.1	--
12	1,100	1,100	9	12	11	1	540	350	190	.2	--
12	1,000	--	<9	12	11	1	530	340	190	.1	--
12	920	--	<9	18	17	1	550	200	350	.2	--
12	2,000	--	<9	64	--	<1	580	330	250	.1	--
12	4,700	4,700	17	36	35	1	670	580	88	.1	--

Table 25.--Water-quality data for storm runoff in Blue River near St. John Avenue (station 11, fig. 1) for selected storms during 1981 and 1982--Continued

Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended, percent finer than 0.062 mm
July 1981											
25	0.0	0	0	0	230	210	20	--	1,710	6,420	89
27	.0	0	0	0	220	200	25	34	2,590	30,200	78
27	.0	0	0	0	450	420	28	33	1,920	24,800	82
October											
13	.0	0	0	0	280	250	33	19	297	930	56
13	.0	0	0	0	290	260	27	43	1,270	5,900	77
14	.0	0	0	0	210	180	27	33	1,150	5,030	85
14	.0	0	0	0	190	170	25	25	872	2,310	86
17	.0	1	1	0	310	270	42	--	1,030	9,900	76
17	.0	0	0	0	280	240	40	29	1,030	1,610	78
17	.0	1	1	0	180	140	44	24	726	998	79
April 1982											
28	--	1	--	--	290	--	--	--	812	1,180	40
28	--	1	--	--	260	--	--	--	587	897	58
28	--	1	--	--	230	--	--	--	361	611	54
28	--	1	--	--	280	--	--	--	355	693	48

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Date	Mercury, dissolved	Selenium, total	Selenium, suspended total	Selenium, dissolved	Zinc, total recoverable	Zinc, suspended recoverable	Zinc, dissolved	Carbon, organic total (mg/L)	Sediment, suspended (mg/L)	Sediment, discharge suspended (tons/d)	Sediment, suspended percent finer than 0.062 mm
May, 1982											
12	<0.1	<1	--	<1	70	40	32	11	29	42	4
12	<.1	<1	--	<1	60	30	27	7.3	17	25	30
12	<.1	1	--	<1	60	0	72	7.6	7	11	52
12	<.1	<1	--	<1	60	40	24	6.9	4	6.7	42
12	<.1	1	--	<1	60	40	21	6.7	56	106	62
12	<.1	<1	--	<1	100	80	19	--	260	536	65