

Letter of Map Revision

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Background and Purpose

In June 2006 the Regional Planning Commission for the City of Reno Nevada adopted amendments to its master plan including modifications to an Annexation Settlement Agreement (ASA) between Washoe County, City of Reno and City of Sparks. One result of this Regional Plan modification is a change to the boundaries of the Metropolitan Service Area (MSA) boundary (also known as the Truckee Meadows Service Area) and the Spheres of Influence for the Cities of Reno and Sparks. The current ASA adds requirements for facility plans to cover water supply, sanitary sewer, flood management, transportation, police, parks, and schools.

One area included in the expanded MSA is a small suburban community known as Cold Springs. Approximately 18 miles north east of Reno, Cold Springs borders an approximately 1.8 square mile desert playa lake known as White Lake. The lake is bounded to the west by US 395 (Figure 1). Most significant flooding events in this area have historically been rain on snow events. White Lake receives runoff from a 29.3 square mile watershed which includes portions of Peavine Mountain, the Cold Springs Valley and Peterson Mountain. The lake is in a closed basin and the only form of discharge is evaporation and evapotranspiration. Due to highly clay soils and high groundwater table in the area it is assumed that infiltration does not significantly affect the water balance.

Because flood management is included in the facility planning for the ASA, a revision to the existing approximate Zone A floodplain boundary for White Lake is needed to provide a better floodplain management tool. The purpose of this report is to present the results of a detailed floodplain analysis for the White Lake within Washoe County, Nevada that is intended to provide the technical justification for a Letter of Map Revision (LOMR). The basis of the LOMR is technically superior methods (detailed study to replace an approximate study) and better topographic data. The existing Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) show an approximate Zone A for the lake in this study. The existing mapping is based on the USGS 7.5 minute quadrangle sheets. Urban planning efforts by the City of Reno have created the need for Base Flood Elevations (BFE) and a more refined floodplain for White Lake. This study is being funded by the City of Reno to aid in flood management planning for the floodplain area.

White Lake is a hydrologically closed system and therefore methods for determining peak flood inundation limits differ from a standard approach. A hydrologic analysis entitled *Hydrologic Analysis of Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playas* was conducted for FEMA in 1987 (FEMA contract #EMW-86-C-2239). Both Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playa are hydrologically and geographically similar to White Lake. For this reason a similar methodology was used in this study to determine the 100-year peak runoff and resulting water surface elevations. Specific hydrologic methods are discussed further in Chapter 3.

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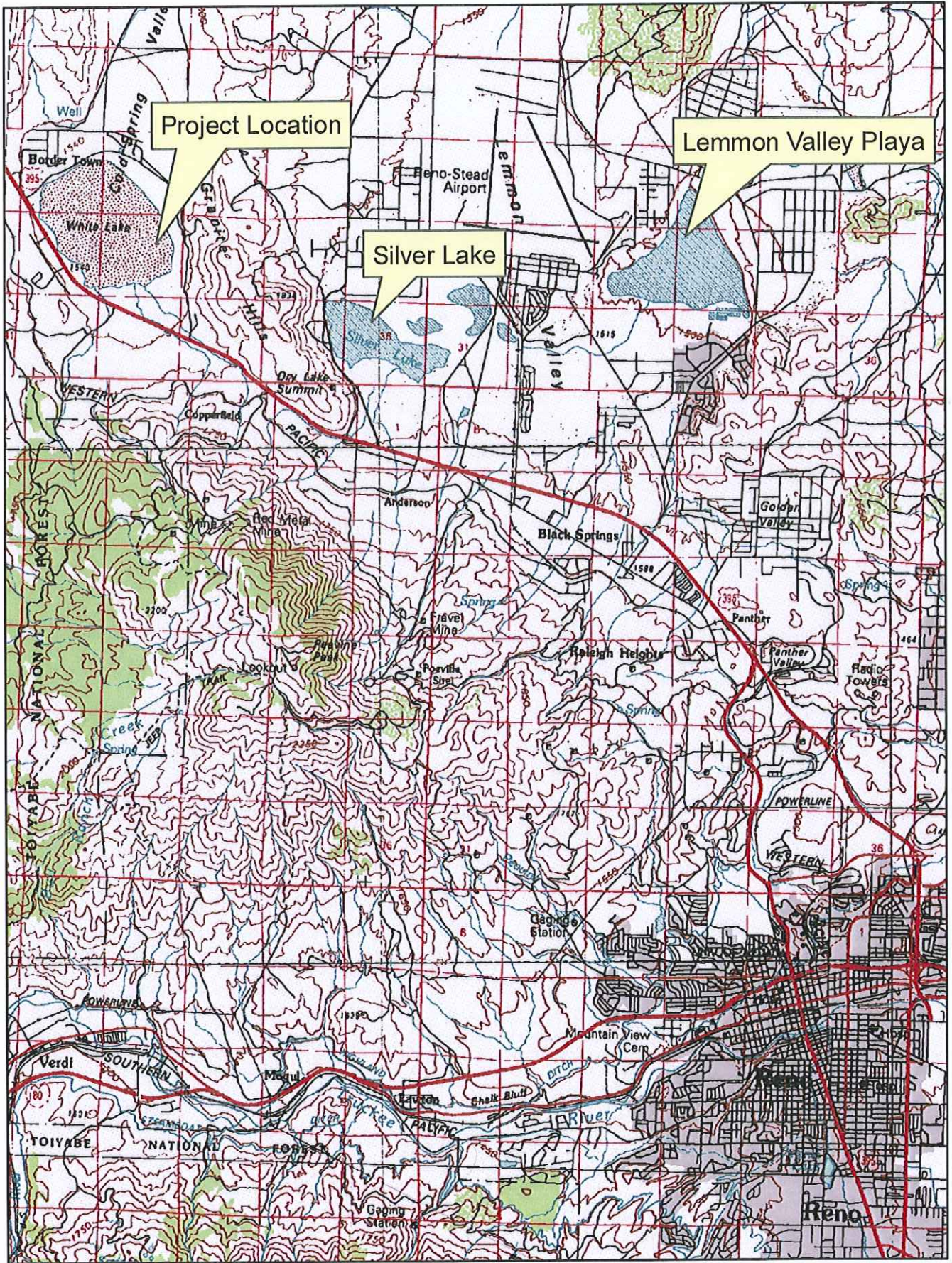
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Vicinity Map - Cold Springs
 FIGURE 1

Chapter 1 - Existing Data

There are several existing studies and data that are relevant to this project. The information most relevant to the project is described below with a discussion regarding the relevance of each.

FEMA Flood Insurance Study

The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) prepares floodplain maps for the most significant flooding hazards in the communities that participate in the National Flood Insurance Program (NFIP). As a condition of participation in the NFIP, the community must adopt a floodplain ordinance which enforces the minimum requirements of the NFIP. Washoe County entered the regular program of the NFIP on August 1, 1984 after adopting a floodplain management ordinance that met the requirements of 44 CFR Parts 60 to 65. At that time a set of Flood Insurance Rate Maps (FIRM) were published. The first set of FIRMs published in 1984 showed an approximate 100-year floodplain analysis for White Lake that was based on USGS 7.5 minute topographic maps. The current FEMA FIRMs for the project area have an effective date of September 30, 1994. Copies of the current FIRM is provided in Appendix A for White Lake.

Topographic Mapping

Topographic mapping has been prepared for Washoe County and the Cities of Reno and Sparks at a 2' contour interval. This data is from 2002 and 2006. The reason for the mixed data sets is that a portion of the lake was not updated in 2006 so 2002 data was obtained. The 2004 data did not meet National Mapping Accuracy Standards so the 2002 data was used for the northwest portions of the lake (Figure 2). A visual inspection of ½ foot resolution aerial photos from both years indicates that there was no change in the study area which might affect topography. The mapping has been prepared using NAD 83 State Plane (feet) Nevada West FIPS 2703 Coordinates. The Washoe County mapping was used as the basis for the work map. The data was provided by Washoe County as point and breakline data as well as finished contours. Metadata is provided in Appendix F. Processing of this data is discussed in Chapter 3 Hydrology.

Topographic Surveys

Topographic surveys of the lake bottom were provided by Washoe County Department of Water Resources. These surveys were used to supplement the Washoe County topography below the water line in White Lake (Figure 2).

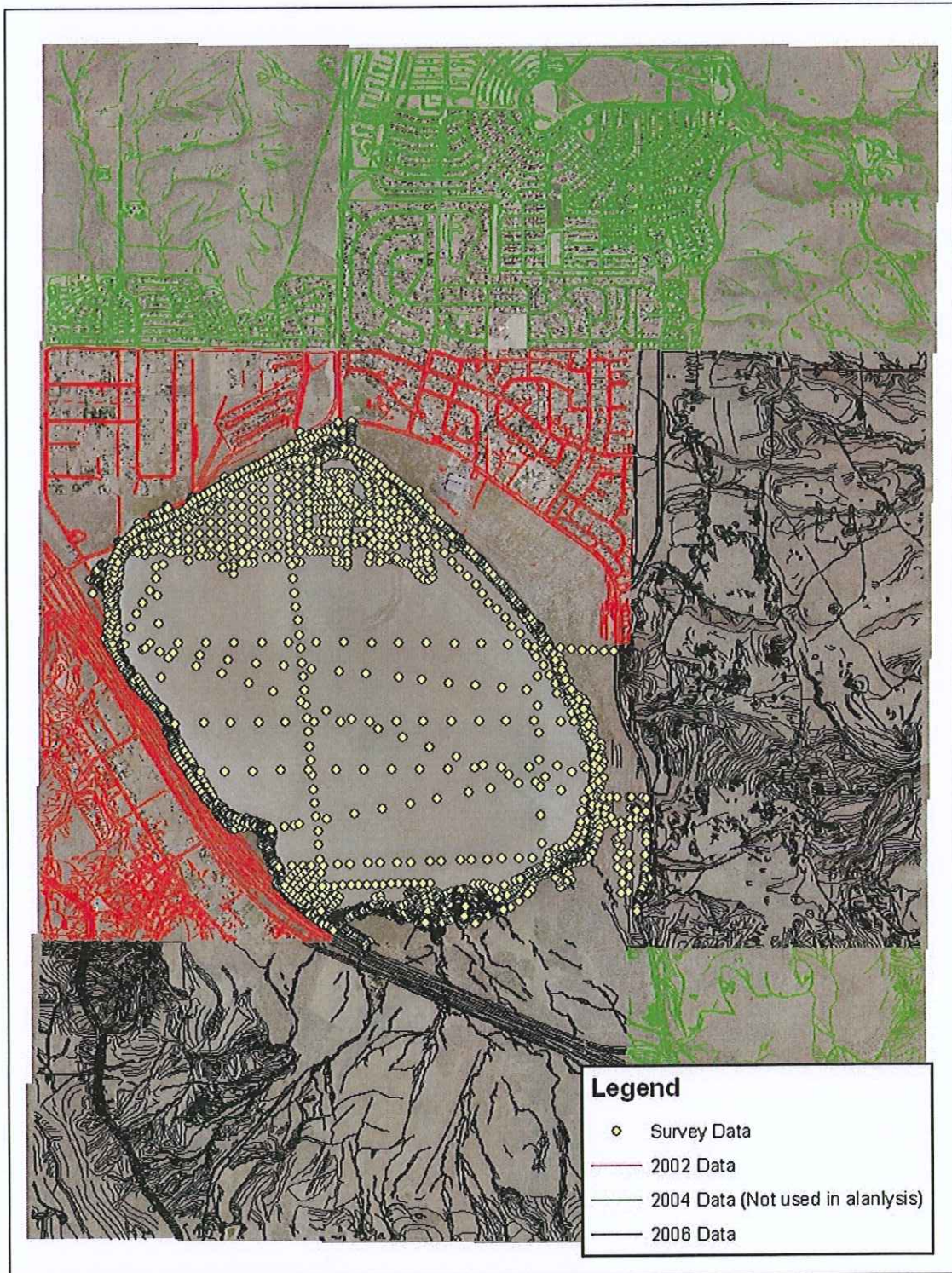


Figure 2: Topographic Data Used in TIN Creation.

Previous Studies

There were no relevant previous studies identified for the White Lake Watershed.

Similar Studies

Hydrologic Analysis of Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playas, (Nimbus, December 1987). This report is a FEMA re-study for the Reno/Sparks area which includes hydrologic and hydraulic analysis to determine 100-year runoff volumes and lake levels. The study utilizes precipitation and water level data collected during a 1986 flood to calibrate hydrologic models for determination of the regulatory floodplain for both lakes. This report is reproduced in Appendix E.

North Valleys Flood Control Hydrologic Analysis and Mitigation Options City of Reno and Washoe County Nevada Volumes I and II, (Quad Knopf, March 2007). This report is a detailed hydrologic report to determine the 100-year water surface elevations for Silver Lake and Swan (Lemmon) Lake Playas.

Chapter 2 - Hydrology

100-Year Peak Flow Estimates

Hydrologic Method

Because historic lake level data does not exist for White Lake a statistical analysis of lake level recurrence intervals was impossible. A hydrologic analysis using a rainfall runoff model such as the US Army Corps of Engineers' HEC-1 was therefore necessary to determine watershed runoff for the 100-year event. As stated above, the study area is similar to two desert lakes studied for FEMA in 1987 (Appendix E). For that reason a hydrologic analysis methodology outlined in the 1987 report was followed in this study.

A common procedure used to determine peak flow runoff within HEC-1 is the SCS Curve Number Method. This method uses 100-year, 24 hour precipitation with basin curve numbers to develop a peak flow estimate. This method was developed for basins with active stream channel runoff and 24 hour storm events where a simple peak flow value is used in conjunction with a hydraulics model for determining flood water surface elevations. Because White Lake is a closed basin system and the only form of "runoff" is evaporation, a peak flow method like the SCS curve number over predicts storm volume as discovered with observed data in the 1987 Nimbus study.

The 1986 storm event lasted 9 days and produced substantial flooding in the Reno/Sparks area. Detailed rainfall and lake level information was available for both Lemmon Valley Playa and Silver Lake. Using this information, a thorough calibration effort was undertaken in the 1987 FEMA re-study with HEC-1. Several methods for estimating runoff volumes were compared to observed data. The SCS Curve Number Method was used for the 1987 study and was found to over estimate observed runoff volumes by an average of 201% and water surface elevations by

2.3 feet. Another method incorporated into the HEC-1 model to determine storm runoff volume is an initial and constant loss rate method. This was found to be the most accurate method for calibration to the 1986 storm. For this reason a constant and initial loss rate methodology was used in conjunction with detailed topographic data to determine water surface elevations in White Lake using a computed stage-storage curve.

In addition to inaccuracies in predicting storm volume, the SCS curve number method was developed for short duration storms of 24 hours. From 1955 to 1986 a number of storms on the east side of the Sierra Nevada near Reno, NV ranged in duration from 3 - 9 days (Nimbus, 1987). For this reason a 100-year 10-day intensity and duration of precipitation was chosen as a conservative estimate of runoff volumes for the 100-year event.

It is possible that there could be back to back storms or some amount of water already stored in the lake when the 100-year storm occurs. Because there is no information on White Lake Playa, the 1986 flooding data collected for Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playas outlined in the 1987 Nimbus report was used to determine what a reasonable carryover storage storm event would be. Based on the 1987 FIS for Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playa in the same area, a 25-year 24-hour event modeled with the initial and constant loss rate method was used as a reasonable estimate of carryover storage conditions in Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playas (Nimbus 1987). This report is included in Appendix E. This event and modeling methodology was therefore used to estimate carryover storage for White Lake as well.

In summary, because it is a peak flow method based on 24-hour data the SCS curve number method was shown to overestimate flood runoff volumes for closed basin lakes near Reno, NV (Nimbus, 1987). This conclusion was based on lake level data collected during the 1986 flood event in Reno, Nevada and subsequent calibration efforts Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playas. For these reasons an initial and constant loss rate runoff method was used to determine base flood elevations in White Lake Playa. The 1987 study also found that the 25-year 24-hour storm most closely estimated carryover storage in the lake. The basic procedure therefore was to calculate the 25-year 24-hour runoff volume and then use that volume as initial storage for a 100-year 10-day runoff calculation.

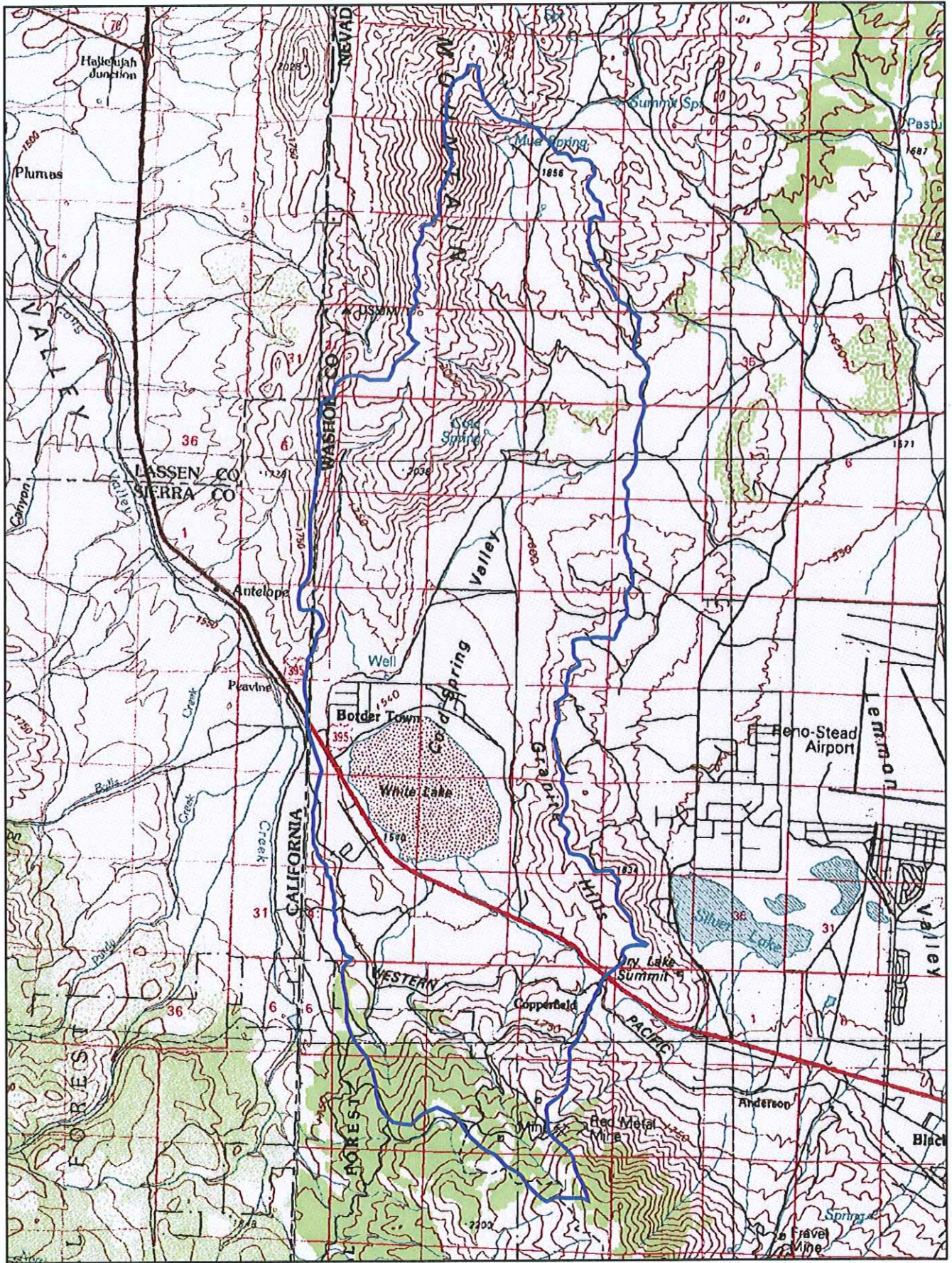
Input Parameters

Because the initial and constant loss rate method was chosen for hydrologic runoff calculations, input parameters were limited to precipitation, basin area, initial and constant loss rates (assumed to be 0.3 and 0.1 respectively), percent impervious and lag time. The methodology for determining each of these parameters is outlined below.

The first step in estimating the 100-year runoff volume from the White Lake watershed was to delineate a watershed boundary. The detailed 2-ft topography described in Chapter 1 in combination with USGS topographic maps were used to delineate a watershed boundary using GIS capabilities (Figure 3). The watershed area was determined to be 18,725 acres.

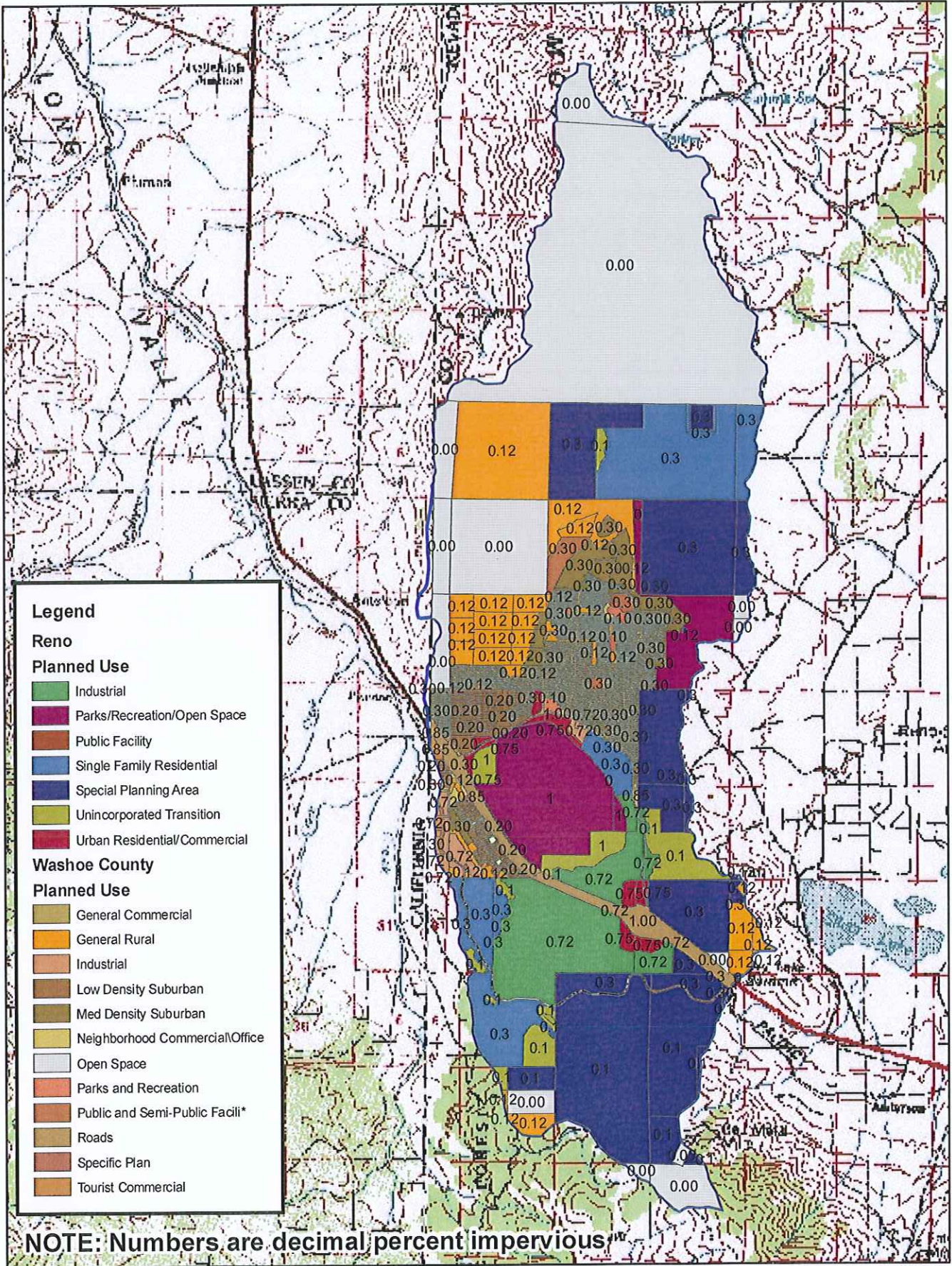
Because the analysis used initial and constant loss rates for pervious area runoff modeling it was necessary to estimate watershed percent impervious. For the existing conditions impervious condition, recent aerial photos and GIS capabilities were used to delineate developed areas. Average lot sizes were measured and the appropriate average percent impervious was assigned for each area. Average percent impervious values were taken from Natural Resource Conservation Service Technical Release 55. Existing impervious cover was estimated to be 9%.

For an advisory future condition impervious cover HDR acquired Planned Land Use from the City of Reno and Washoe County for the white lake watershed. Using GIS capabilities impervious percentages were assigned to each parcel according to averages outlined in Natural Resource Conservation Service Technical Release 55 (Figure 4). Playa areas were assumed to be 100% impervious because it is already water. The acres of impervious land cover were then calculated for the entire watershed. Planned land use impervious cover was estimated to be 27%



White Lake Watershed Map

FIGURE 3



White Lake Impervious Area Map

FIGURE 4

In addition to watershed area and impervious cover, HEC-1 modeling requires precipitation frequency estimates, initial and constant loss rates and lag time estimates to calculate runoff volume.

NOAA Atlas 14 precipitation values for both the 100-yr 10-day and the 25-yr 24-hr depth values were used in this model.

For loss rates, the Sacramento District US Army Corps of Engineers (USACE) prepared a hydrology report for the Truckee River basin in 1980 in which initial and constant loss rates of 0.3 and 0.1 respectively were adopted for general rain, probable maximum and standard project flood events. In addition to the USACE report, the 1987 Nimbus study modeled the 1986 flood event using various initial and constant loss rates. Results were not sensitive to the initial loss rate so a value of 0.3 was accepted. This value was chosen in this study as well. For constant loss rates the values which returned the most accurate water surface elevations for the 100-year storm were 0.073 for Lemmon Valley Playa and 0.14 for Silver Lake (Nimbus, 1987). A value of 0.1 was chosen for constant loss rates as a good amalgam of these values and identical to that used by the USACE.

Because the Study Site is in Washoe County jurisdiction, Lag Time for both the 100-year and 25-year events was estimated using a method outlined in the Draft Truckee Meadows Regional Drainage Manual (2008). The Soil Conservation Service (SCS) Unit Hydrograph transform method was used with the following Lag Time equation used for basins larger than one square mile (equation 710, pg 709):

$$T_{LAG} = 22.1K_n \left(\frac{LL_c}{S^{0.5}} \right)^{0.33}$$

Where:

K_n = Roughness factor for the basin channels

L = Length of longest water course (miles)

L_c = Length along longest water course measured upstream to a point opposite the centroid of the basin (miles)

S = representative (average) slope of the longest water course (feet per mile)

The basin Lag Time was estimated to be 1.36 hours (backup calculation in Appendix C).

HEC-1 models were run using the above parameters and for both the 100-year 10-day and 25-year 24-hour storm events to estimate runoff volumes.

Table 1 is a summary of input parameters for hydrologic modeling.

Table 1: Input parameters for hydrologic models.

Parameter	Value	Units
Initial Loss Rate	0.3	in
Constant Loss Rate	0.1	in/hr
Lag Time	1.36	hr
Basin Area	29.3	mi ²
Existing Condition Impervious	9	%
Advisory Condition Impervious	27	%

Water Surface Elevations

The first step in determining the aerial extent of flooding for the 100-year 10-day event was to use a detailed digital terrain model (DTM) to develop an accurate elevation-storage relationship for use in the HEC-1 hydrologic model. Washoe County digital topographic data from 2002 and 2006 in the form of spot elevations, 3D breaklines and field survey points were integrated together and used to create a DTM in the form of a GIS layer known as a Triangular Irregular Network (TIN) (Figure 2). HEC-GeoRAS utilities within the GIS system were used to create a stage-volume or elevation-storage relationship in feet and acre-feet. This relationship was input into the HEC-1 model for the 100-year 10-day event as a series of Reservoir Storage cards (SV and SE cards). The total runoff volume from the 25-year 24-hour model was used as initial storage for the 100-year 10-day HEC-1 model. HEC-1 used the initial volume and the input elevation-storage curve to determine flood elevations. HEC-1 models are provided in Appendix D.

Impacts of Sediment Transport

Because this analysis was for a closed basin lake sediment transport was not considered to be significant enough to warrant consideration.

Chapter 3 - Results

Existing Condition

In order to determine carryover or initial storage for the existing conditions in White Lake Watershed as described in Chapter 2, an HEC-1 model was run for the 25-year, 24-hour event with an impervious cover of 9% and initial and constant loss rates of 0.3 and 0.1 respectively. The total 25-year, 24-hour runoff volume was 2470 acre-feet. This volume was used as the carryover or initial storage for the 100-year, 10-day model which yielded an independent runoff volume 5116 acre-feet. Cumulative volume used in determining flood elevation was 7586 acre-feet which represents the carryover volume from the 25-year event (2470) plus the runoff volume from the 100-year event (5116). A resulting base flood elevation stage of 5037.7 feet for White Lake was then selected from the elevation-storage curve and extracted from the detailed TIN. An existing conditions BFE of 5038 was used in conjunction with contour lines

developed from the terrain model to delineate the Zone AE Special Flood Hazard Area (Figure 6).

Advisory Build-out Condition

In addition to the existing conditions Special Flood Hazard Area and BFE the City of Reno analyzed potential future conditions “advisory” Special Flood Hazard Area and BFE. This advisory BFE would be based a full watershed build-out or Planned Land Use condition in which 27% of the watershed was assumed to be impervious as described in Chapter 2 and potential future wetland enhancements/water storage in White Lake using reclaimed water in the Playa.

In order to determine carryover or initial storage for the advisory condition in White Lake Watershed as described in Chapter 2, an HEC-1 model was run for the 25-year, 24-hour event with an impervious cover of 27% and initial and constant loss rates for pervious areas of 0.3 and 0.1 respectively. The total 25-year, 24-hour runoff volume was 2927 acre-feet. This volume was used as the carryover or initial storage for the 100-year, 10-day model which yielded a runoff volume of 10809 acre-feet.

For the advisory build out condition it is the intention of the City of Reno to add volume to White Lake for wetland enhancement and water storage. The estimated discharge to the lake is approximately 3 million gallon per day or 4.6 cfs. Because this is a closed basin system the only outflow assumed is evaporation. Evaporation varies significantly depending on time of the year and water surface elevation/area. In order to determine that maximum potential storage volume in the lake from the discharge a mass balance was performed for an annual evaporation series. The basic computation was as follows:

$$\text{Inflow} - \text{Outflow} = \text{Change in Storage}$$

Inflow was assumed to be constant at 4.6 cfs (3MGD). Outflow was variable based on a monthly evaporation depth in ft times the area of the pond at a given elevation. In order to model the evaporation rates and mass balance for an annual series. A series of elevation/area/discharge (evaporation) curves were developed for each month of the year. Evaporation rates from Lemmon Valley Playa were used to estimate outflow (Table 2). An HEC-HMS model was used with elevation/area/discharge curves and constant inflow to estimate the change in storage on a yearly basis. Each month was run with a specific discharge curve and the ending elevation/storage from the previous month as a start condition. The model was run successively each month until the assumed January starting elevation matched the ending December elevation. The maximum storage volume for an annual series was then used as additional storage due to the City of Reno’s discharge. The maximum storage in the lake occurred in February and was 818 ac-ft. This volume was added to carryover storage for the advisory elevation HEC-1 modeling.

Table 2: Monthly evaporation rates

Month	(in/month)
January	1.565
February	1.84
March	3.678
April	4.659
May	7.44
June	9.055
July	13.518
August	9.394
September	6.323
October	4.184
November	2.133
December	1.332

Table 3: Carryover volumes for discharge storage analysis

Month	Volume(ac-ft)	Elevation (ft)
January*	690.5	5031.8
February	818.3	5031.9
March	785.1	5031.9
April	699.1	5031.8
May	429.7	5031.5
June	159.8	5031.1
July	51.9	5030.8
August	78.4	5030.9
September	116.8	5031.0
October	187.3	5031.2
November	358.7	5031.4
December	548.3	5031.6

*Assumed starting WS elevation 5031.6 ft

Cumulative volume used in determining advisory flood elevation was 11643 acre-feet which represents the carryover volume from the 25-year event (2927) plus the runoff volume from the 100-year event (7898) plus the wetland enhancement/storage volume (818). A resulting base flood elevation stage of 5040.6 feet for White Lake was then selected from the elevation-storage curve and extracted from the detailed TIN(Figure 6).

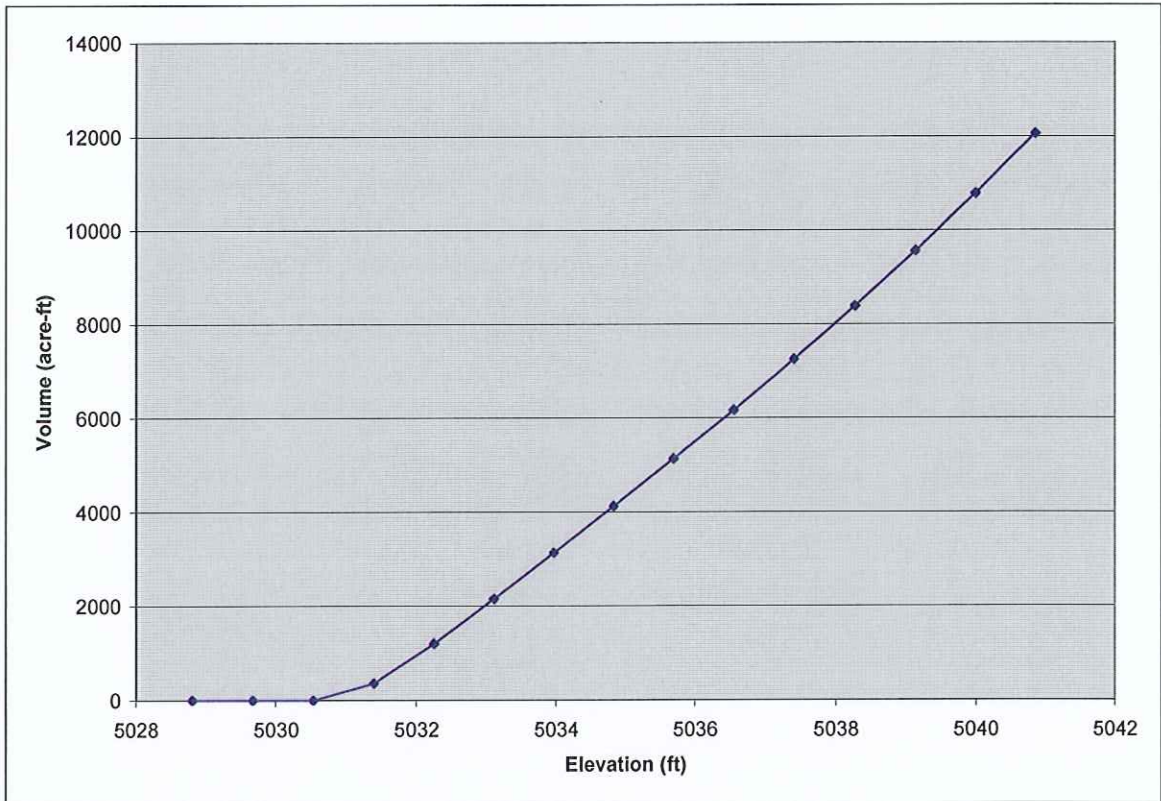
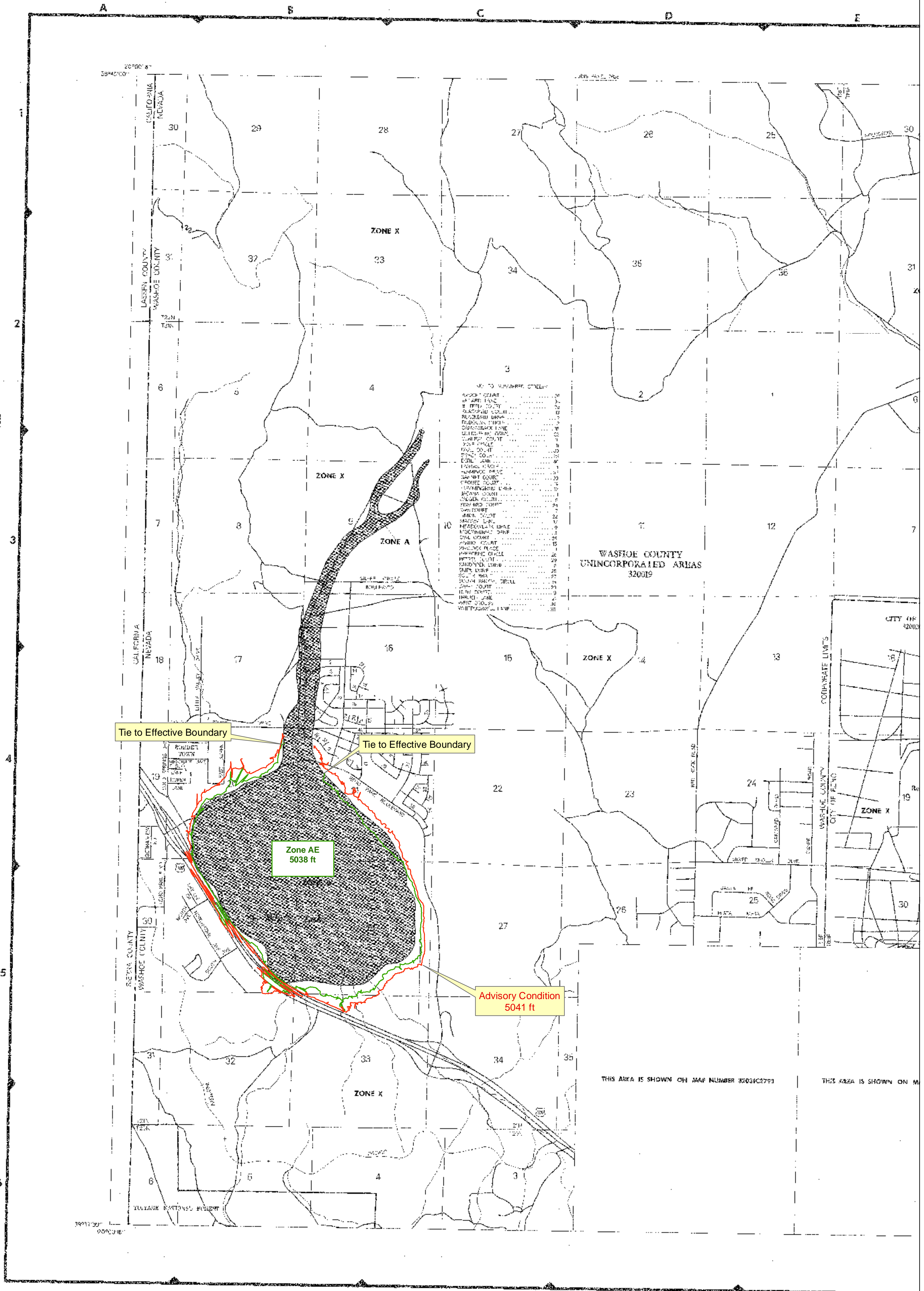


Figure 5: Elevation-storage Curve for White Lake.



Tie to Effective Boundary

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Zone AE
5038 ft

Advisory Condition
5041 ft

THIS AREA IS SHOWN ON MAP NUMBER 32031C2793

BASE MAP IS EFFECTIVE FIRM. MAP COORDINATE SYSTEM IS NAD 83 STATE PLANE (FEET) NEVADA WEST FIPS 2703 AND VERTICAL DATUM IS NAVD88. EFFECTIVE FIRM VERTICAL DATUM IS NGVD 29. SCALE IS SAME AS EFFECTIVE FIRM 1 INCH = 2000 FEET

NGVD29 + 3.71 ft = NAVD88

Flood Insurance Rate Map
Panel 32031C2800E
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White Lake LOMR

Project	White Lake LOMR	Annotated FIRM	
		DATE	06/08
		SCALE	1 inch equals 2,000 feet
			Figure 6



Legend

- 100 yr Floodplain Existing Condition (5038')
- 100 yr Advisory Level (5041')

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Chapter 4 - Conclusions and Recommendations

In Summary an existing conditions BFE of 5038 and an advisory build-out flood elevation of 5041 was used for mapping purposes. Figure 6 is the Annotated FIRM and Figure 7 the Work Map. The analysis summarized in this report was for lake levels only. There were no changes to riverine Zone A boundaries north of the lake. Lake floodplain boundaries were tied in at reasonable points.

The data in this report provides the results of a hydrologic analysis of White Lake for support of a LOMR to replace the existing approximate study for this reach. The inclusion of a more refined Special Flood Hazard Area and Base Flood Elevations provides a more accurate tool for floodplain management in this area.

Attached, in Appendix B are the MT-2 forms, and the hydrologic model input and output.

Figure 6 is an Annotated FIRM showing the location of the existing Zone A boundary and the proposed revised Zone AE and BFEs. As can be seen in this Annotated FIRM the revised floodplain does change the approximate Zone A boundary slightly.

The basis of this revision is better topographical data and superior hydrologic methods.

Review Fees and Forms

Attached to this report are the completed MT-2 forms by the community officials and requestor.

Based on the Current Fee Schedule for Mitigation Products, there is no fee for this request. The LOMR is based solely on submission of more detailed data.

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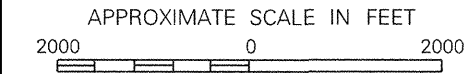
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Appendix A
FEMA Flood Insurance Rate Maps



NATIONAL FLOOD INSURANCE PROGRAM

FIRM
FLOOD INSURANCE RATE MAP
 WASHOE COUNTY,
 NEVADA AND
 INCORPORATED AREAS

PANEL 2800 OF 3350
 (SEE MAP INDEX FOR PANELS NOT PRINTED)

CONTAINS:

COMMUNITY	NUMBER	PANEL	SUFFIX
RENO, CITY OF	320020	2800	E
WASHOE COUNTY, UNINCORPORATED AREAS	320019	2800	E

MAP NUMBER
32031C2800 E

EFFECTIVE DATE:
SEPTEMBER 30, 1994



Federal Emergency Management Agency

THIS AREA IS SHOWN ON MAP NUMBER 32031

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Appendix B

MT-2 Forms

FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
OVERVIEW & CONCURRENCE FORM

O.M.B No. 3067-0148
 Expires September 30, 2005

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A. REQUESTED RESPONSE FROM FEMA

This request is for a (check one):

- CLOMR: A letter from FEMA commenting on whether a proposed project, if built as proposed, would justify a map revision, or proposed hydrology changes (See 44 CFR Ch. 1, Parts 60, 65 & 72).
- LOMR: A letter from FEMA officially revising the current NFIP map to show the changes to floodplains, regulatory floodway or flood elevations. (See Parts 60 & 65 of the NFIP Regulations.)

B. OVERVIEW

1. The NFIP map panel(s) affected for all impacted communities is (are):

Community No.	Community Name	State	Map No.	Panel No.	Effective Date
320020	City of Reno	NV	32031C	2800E	9/30/94
320019	Unincorporated Areas of Washoe County	NV	32031C	2800E	9/30/94

2. Flooding Source: White Lake, Nevada

3. Project Name/Identifier: Letter of Map Revision, White Lake, NV

4. FEMA zone designations affected: A (choices: A, AH, AO, A1-A30, A99, AE, AR, V, V1-V30, VE, B, C, D, X)

5. Basis for Request and Type of Revision:

a. The basis for this revision request is (check all that apply)

- Physical Change Improved Methodology/Data
- Regulatory Floodway Revision Other (Attach Description)

Note: A photograph and narrative description of the area of concern is not required, but is very helpful during review.

b. The area of revision encompasses the following types of flooding and structures (check all that apply)

- Types of Flooding: Riverine Coastal Shallow Flooding (e.g., Zones AO and AH)
- Alluvial fan Lakes Other (Attach Description)
- Structures: Channelization Levee/Floodwall Bridge/Culvert
- Dam Fill Other, Attach Description

C. REVIEW FEE

Has the review fee for the appropriate request category been included?

Yes Fee amount: \$0
 No, Attach Explanation

Please see the FEMA Web site at http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/frm_fees.shtm for Fee Amounts and Exemptions.

D. SIGNATURE

All documents submitted in support of this request are correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statement may be punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 1001.

Name: Neil Mann, Public Works Director		Company: City of Reno, Nevada	
Mailing Address: P.O. Box 1900 Reno, NV 89505	Daytime Telephone No.:	Fax No.:	
	(775) 334-2683 (Attn: Kerri Lanza)		(775) 334-2490
E-Mail Address: willams-lanza@ci.reno.nv.us			
Signature of Requester (required):			Date:

As the community official responsible for floodplain management, I hereby acknowledge that we have received and reviewed this Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) or conditional LOMR request. Based upon the community's review, we find the completed or proposed project meets or is designed to meet all of the community floodplain management requirements, including the requirement that no fill be placed in the regulatory floodway, and that all necessary Federal, State, and local permits have been, or in the case of a conditional LOMR, will be obtained. In addition, we have determined that the land and any existing or proposed structures to be removed from the SFHA are or will be reasonably safe from flooding as defined in 44CFR 65.2(c), and that we have available upon request by FEMA, all analyses and documentation used to make this determination.

Community Official's Name and Title: Neil Mann, Public Works Director		Telephone No.:	
		(775) 334-2683 (Attn: Kerri Lanza)	
Community Name: City of Reno, NV	Community Official's Signature (required):	Date:	

CERTIFICATION BY REGISTERED PROFESSIONAL ENGINEER AND/OR LAND SURVEYOR

This certification is to be signed and sealed by a licensed land surveyor, registered professional engineer, or architect authorized by law to certify elevation information. All documents submitted in support of this request are correct to the best of my knowledge. I understand that any false statement may be punishable by fine or imprisonment under Title 18 of the United States Code, Section 1001.

Certifier's Name: Mark Forest, PE	License No.: 8022, Nevada	Expiration Date:	
		6/31/09	
Company Name: HDR Engineering Inc.	Telephone No.: (775) 337-4710	Fax No.:	
		(775) 337-4774	
Signature:			Date:

Ensure the forms that are appropriate to your revision request are included in your submittal.

Form Name and (Number)

Required if ...

- Riverine Hydrology and Hydraulics Form (Form 2) New or revised discharges or water-surface elevations
- Riverine Structures Form (Form 3) Channel is modified, addition/revision of bridge/culverts, addition/revision of levee/floodwall, addition/revision of dam
- Coastal Analysis Form (Form 4) New or revised coastal elevations
- Coastal Structures Form (Form 5) Addition/revision of coastal structure
- Alluvial Fan Flooding Form (Form 6) Flood control measures on alluvial fans



FEDERAL EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY
RIVERINE HYDROLOGY & HYDRAULICS FORM

O.M.B No. 3067-0148
 Expires September 30, 2005

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Flooding Source: White Lake, Nevada
Note: Fill out one form for each flooding source studied

A. HYDROLOGY

1. Reason for New Hydrologic Analysis (check all that apply)

- Not revised (skip to section 2)
 No existing analysis
 Improved data
 Alternative methodology
 Proposed Conditions (CLOMR)
 Changed physical condition of watershed

2. Comparison of Representative 1%-Annual-Chance Discharges

Location	Drainage Area (Sq. Mi.)	FIS (cfs)	Revised (cfs)
White Lake	29.3	None	NA (Volume Estimate)

3. Methodology for New Hydrologic Analysis (check all that apply)

- Statistical Analysis of Gage Records
 Precipitation/Runoff Model HEC-1 [TR-20, HEC-1, HEC-HMS etc.]
 Regional Regression Equations
 Other (please attach description)

Please enclose all relevant models in digital format, maps, computations (including computation of parameters) and documentation to support the new analysis. The document, "Numerical Models Accepted by FEMA for NFIP Usage" lists the models accepted by FEMA. This document can be found at: http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/en_modl.shtm.

4. Review/Approval of Analysis

If your community requires a regional, state, or federal agency to review the hydrologic analysis, please attach evidence of approval/review.

5. Impacts of Sediment Transport on Hydrology

Was sediment transport considered? Yes No If yes, then fill out Section F (Sediment Transport) of Form 3. If No, then attach your explanation for why sediment transport was not considered.

B. HYDRAULICS

1. Reach to be Revised

	Description	Cross Section	Water-Surface Elevations (ft.)	
			Effective	Proposed/Revised
	Downstream Limit			
	Upstream Limit			

2. Hydraulic Method Used

Hydraulic Analysis None [HEC-2, HEC-RAS, Other (Attach description)]

B. HYDRAULICS (CONTINUED)

3. Pre-Submittal Review of Hydraulic Models

FEMA has developed two review programs, CHECK-2 and CHECK-RAS, to aid in the review of HEC-2 and HEC-RAS hydraulic models, respectively. These review programs verify that the hydraulic estimates and assumptions in the model data are in accordance with NFIP requirements, and that the data are comparable with the assumptions and limitations of HEC-2/HEC-RAS. CHECK-2 and CHECK-RAS identify areas of potential error or concern. These tools do not replace engineering judgment. CHECK-2 and CHECK-RAS can be downloaded from http://www.fema.gov/plan/prevent/fhm/frm_soft.shtm. We recommend that you review your HEC-2 and HEC-RAS models with CHECK-2 and CHECK-RAS. If you disagree with a message, please attach an explanation of why the message is not valid in this case. Review of your submittal and resolution of valid modeling discrepancies will result in reduced review time.

HEC-2/HEC-RAS models reviewed with CHECK-2/CHECK-RAS? Yes No

4. Models Submitted

Duplicate Effective Model*	Natural File Name:	Floodway File Name:
Corrected Effective Model*	Natural File Name:	Floodway File Name:
Existing or Pre-Project Conditions Model	Natural File Name:	Floodway File Name:
Revised or Post-Project Conditions Model	Natural File Name:	Floodway File Name:
Other - (attach description)	Natural File Name:	Floodway File Name:

*Not required for revisions to approximate 1%-annual-chance floodplains (Zone A) – for details, refer to the corresponding section of the instructions.

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C. MAPPING REQUIREMENTS

A **certified topographic map** must be submitted showing the following information (where applicable): the boundaries of the effective, existing, and proposed conditions 1%-annual-chance floodplain (for approximate Zone A revisions) or the boundaries of the 1%- and 0.2%-annual-chance floodplains and regulatory floodway (for detailed Zone AE, AO, and AH revisions); location and alignment of all cross sections with stationing control indicated; stream, road, and other alignments (e.g., dams, levees, etc.); current community easements and boundaries; boundaries of the requester's property; certification of a registered professional engineer registered in the subject State; location and description of reference marks; and the referenced vertical datum (NGVD, NAVD, etc.).

Note that the boundaries of the existing or proposed conditions floodplains and regulatory floodway to be shown on the revised FIRM and/or FBFM must tie-in with the effective floodplain and regulatory floodway boundaries. Please attach a **copy of the effective FIRM and/or FBFM**, annotated to show the boundaries of the revised 1%- and 0.2%-annual-chance floodplains and regulatory floodway that tie-in with the boundaries of the effective 1%- and 0.2%-annual-chance floodplain and regulatory floodway at the upstream and downstream limits of the area of revision.

D. COMMON REGULATORY REQUIREMENTS

1. For CLOMR requests, do Base Flood Elevations (BFEs) increase? Yes No

For CLOMR requests, if either of the following is true, please submit evidence of compliance with Section 65.12 of the NFIP regulations:

- The proposed project encroaches upon a regulatory floodway and would result in increases above 0.00 foot.
- The proposed project encroaches upon a SFHA with BFEs established and would result in increases above 1.00 foot.

2. Does the request involve the placement or proposed placement of fill? Yes No

If Yes, the community must be able to certify that the area to be removed from the special flood hazard area, to include any structures or proposed structures, meets all of the standards of the local floodplain ordinances, and is reasonably safe from flooding in accordance with the NFIP regulations set forth at 44 CFR 60.3(a)(3), 65.5(a)(4), and 65.6(a)(14). Please see the MT-2 instructions for more information.

3. For LOMR requests, is the regulatory floodway being revised? Yes No

If Yes, attach evidence of regulatory floodway revision notification. As per Paragraph 65.7(b)(1) of the NFIP Regulations, notification is required for requests involving revisions to the regulatory floodway. (Not required for revisions to approximate 1%-annual-chance floodplains [studied Zone A designation] unless a regulatory floodway is being added. Elements and examples of regulatory floodway revision notification can be found in the MT-2 Form 2 Instructions.)

4. For LOMR requests, does this request require property owner notification and acceptance of BFE increases? Yes No

If Yes, please attach proof of property owner notification and acceptance (if available). Elements of and examples of property owner notification can be found in the MT-2 Form 2 Instructions.

{Date}

Dennis Charley
16105 Highway 395 North
Reno, NV 89508-8021

Re: Notification of widening and/narrowing of 1% (100-year) annual chance floodplain and establishment of Base Flood Elevations

Dear Property Owner

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1. Establishment of Base (1% annual chance) Flood Elevations (BFEs). Currently, the flooding along White Lake is based on an approximate study.
2. Widening and narrowing of the 1% annual chance floodplain with the maximum widening of approximately 600 feet along the southern shore of White Lake and the maximum narrowing of approximately 440 feet along the eastern shore of White Lake.

This letter is to inform you of the establishment of Base Flood Elevations and revision of the 1% annual chance floodplain on your property at 16105 Highway 395 North.

If you have any questions or concerns about the proposed changes to the FIRM or its effect on your property, you may contact Kerri Lanza at (775) 334-2683

Sincerely,

Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director

{Date}

H&N Properties LLC
225 West Moana Lane
Reno, NV 89509-4905

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Sincerely,

Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director

{Date}

Lake Hills Association
C/O Benchmark Association Services
4690 Longley Lane Suite 1
Reno, NV 89502

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This letter is to inform you of the establishment of Base Flood Elevations and revision of the 1% annual chance floodplain on your property(s) at Glen Lakes Court, Diamond Peak Drive and White Lake Parkway.

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Sincerely,

Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director

{Date}

Jack Lehman
17005 North US 395 Highway
Reno, NV 89508-8047

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Sincerely,

Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director

{Date}

Lifestyle Homes TND LLC
PO Box 7548
Reno, NV 89510-7548

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Sincerely,

Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director

{Date}

Timothy McDonald
3680 Grant Drive, Suite C-1-A
Reno, NV 89509-5350

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Sincerely,

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{Date}

Georgia Murphy
PO Box 727
Homedale, ID 83629

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Sincerely,

Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director

{Date}

Roy Wannamaker, Cold Springs Ranches
926 East 22nd St.
National City, CA 91950

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Neil Mann
City of Reno Public Works Director



Appendix C
Back-up Lag Calculation



Project: ECO.LOGIC City of Reno Master Plan	Computed: MLB	Date: 12/14/2008
Subject: White Lake Hydrology	Checked:	Date:
Task: Calculate Lag by Washoe County Method	Page:	of:
Job #:	No:	

Truckee Meadows Regional Drainage Manual Section 705.3 Lag Equation for SCS Unit Hydrograph Method

$$T_{lag} = 22.1K_n(LL_C / S^{0.5})^{0.33}$$

Where:

Kn = Roughness factor for the basin from table 703 = 0.09
 L = Length of the longest water course = 7.84 miles
 Lc = Length of the longest water course to the centroid = 0.75 miles
 S = Slope of the longest water course = 349 ft/mile

Tlag = 1.36 hr 81 min

Slope Calculation

	Length (mi)	Elevation(ft)	Slope (ft/mi)
Section 1	0.96	1411	1469.79167
Section 2	3.92	1185	302.295918
Section 3	2.96	140	47.2972973
Composite			349



Appendix D
HEC-1 Hydrologic Modeling

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* FLOOD HYDROGRAPH PACKAGE (HEC-1)
* JUN 1998
* VERSION 4.1
* RUN DATE 05JUN09 TIME 14:43:21

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* U.S. ARMY CORPS OF ENGINEERS
* HYDROLOGIC ENGINEERING CENTER
* 609 SECOND STREET
* DAVIS, CALIFORNIA 95616
* (916) 756-1104

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THIS PROGRAM REPLACES ALL PREVIOUS VERSIONS OF HEC-1 KNOWN AS HEC1 (JAN 73), HEC1GS, HEC1DB, AND HEC1KW.
THE DEFINITIONS OF VARIABLES -RTIMP- AND -RTIOR- HAVE CHANGED FROM THOSE USED WITH THE 1973-STYLE INPUT STRUCTURE.
THE DEFINITION OF -AMSKK- ON RM-CARD WAS CHANGED WITH REVISIONS DATED 28 SEP 81. THIS IS THE FORTRAN77 VERSION
NEW OPTIONS: DAMBREAK OUTFLOW SUBMERGENCE, SINGLE EVENT DAMAGE CALCULATION, DSS-WRITE STAGE FREQUENCY,
DSS-READ TIME SERIES AT DESIRED CALCULATION INTERVAL LOSS RATE:GREEN AND AMPT INFILTRATION
KINEMATIC WAVE: NEW FINITE DIFFERENCE ALGORITHM

LINE ID.....1.....2.....3.....4.....5.....6.....7.....8.....9.....10
*DIAGRAM
1 ID WHITE LAKE LOMR, WASHOE COUNTY & CITY OF RENO, NEVADA
2 ID BY HDR INC., RENO, NEVADA (FILE WL25YR_NOAA) JUNE 2009
3 ID NOAA ATLAS 14 PRECIPITATION VALUES, 25 YEAR, 24 HOUR EXISTING CONDITIONS
4 IT 5 300
5 IO 3
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6 KK WL
7 KM RUNOFF FROM ENTIRE WHITE LAKE WATERSHED USING CALIBRATED LOSS RATES
8 PH 1 30 .31 .59 0.98 1.13 1.27 1.78 2.67 3.83
9 BA 29.3
10 LU 0.30 0.10 9
11 UD 1.36
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12 ZZ

SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF STREAM NETWORK

INPUT LINE (V) ROUTING (--->) DIVERSION OR PUMP FLOW
NO. (.) CONNECTOR (<---) RETURN OF DIVERTED OR PUMPED FLOW
6 WL

(***) RUNOFF ALSO COMPUTED AT THIS LOCATION

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* JUN 1998
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WHITE LAKE LOMR, WASHOE COUNTY & CITY OF RENO, NEVADA
BY HDR INC., RENO, NEVADA (FILE WL25YR_NOAA) JUNE 2009
NOAA ATLAS 14 PRECIPITATION VALUES, 25 YEAR, 24 HOUR EXISTING CONDITIONS

5 IO OUTPUT CONTROL VARIABLES
IPRNT 3 PRINT CONTROL
IPLOT 0 PLOT CONTROL
QSCAL 0. HYDROGRAPH PLOT SCALE
IT HYDROGRAPH TIME DATA
NMIN 5 MINUTES IN COMPUTATION INTERVAL
IDATE 1 0 STARTING DATE
ITIME 0000 STARTING TIME
NQ 300 NUMBER OF HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES
NDDATE 2 0 ENDING DATE
NDTIME 0055 ENDING TIME
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COMPUTATION INTERVAL .08 HOURS
TOTAL TIME BASE 24.92 HOURS

ENGLISH UNITS
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SURFACE AREA ACRES

TEMPERATURE DEGREES FAHRENHEIT

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 6 KK * WL *
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RUNOFF FROM ENTIRE WHITE LAKE WATERSHED USING CALIBRATED LOSS RATES

SUBBASIN RUNOFF DATA

9 BA SUBBASIN CHARACTERISTICS
 TAREA 29.30 SUBBASIN AREA

PRECIPITATION DATA

8 PH DEPTHS FOR 1-PERCENT HYPOTHETICAL STORM
 HYDRO-35 TP-40 TP-49
 5-MIN 15-MIN 60-MIN 2-HR 3-HR 6-HR 12-HR 24-HR 2-DAY 4-DAY 7-DAY 10-DAY
 .31 .59 .98 1.13 1.27 1.78 2.67 3.83 .00 .00 .00 .00

STORM AREA = 30.00

10 LU UNIFORM LOSS RATE
 STRTL .30 INITIAL LOSS
 CNSTL .10 UNIFORM LOSS RATE
 RTIMP 9.00 PERCENT IMPERVIOUS AREA

11 UD SCS DIMENSIONLESS UNITGRAPH
 TLAG 1.36 LAG

UNIT HYDROGRAPH										
84 END-OF-PERIOD ORDINATES										
180.	437.	857.	1353.	1894.	2606.	3392.	4352.	5419.	6560.	
7537.	8430.	9090.	9587.	9948.	10049.	10088.	10028.	9818.	9458.	
9049.	8620.	8140.	7605.	7005.	6312.	5602.	5002.	4475.	4054.	
3678.	3320.	3020.	2749.	2530.	2310.	2091.	1911.	1731.	1551.	
1409.	1289.	1168.	1056.	966.	876.	786.	718.	652.	586.	
531.	486.	441.	398.	365.	332.	299.	273.	249.	225.	
204.	186.	168.	150.	138.	126.	114.	106.	99.	91.	
84.	77.	70.	63.	55.	49.	43.	37.	31.	25.	
19.	13.	7.	1.							

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HYDROGRAPH AT STATION WL

TOTAL RAINFALL = 3.71, TOTAL LOSS = 2.12, TOTAL EXCESS = 1.59

PEAK FLOW	TIME	6-HR	24-HR	72-HR	24.92-HR
(CFS)	(HR)				
+	8192.	13.42			
		(CFS)			
		3529.	1245.	1199.	1199.
		(INCHES)			
		1.120	1.580	1.580	1.580
		(AC-FT)			
		1750.	2469.	2470.	2470.

CUMULATIVE AREA = 29.30 SQ MI

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RUNOFF SUMMARY
 FLOW IN CUBIC FEET PER SECOND
 TIME IN HOURS, AREA IN SQUARE MILES

OPERATION	STATION	PEAK FLOW	TIME OF PEAK	AVERAGE FLOW FOR MAXIMUM PERIOD			BASIN AREA	MAXIMUM STAGE	TIME OF MAX STAGE
				6-HOUR	24-HOUR	72-HOUR			
+	HYDROGRAPH AT								
+	WL	8192.	13.42	3529.	1245.	1199.	29.30		

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2 ID BY HDR INC., RENO, NEVADA (FILE WL25YRP_NOAA) JUNE 2009
3 ID NOAA ATLAS 14 PRECIPITATION VALUES, 25 YEAR, 24 HOUR ADVISORY CONDITIONS
4 IT 5 300
5 IO 3
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6 KK WL
7 KM RUNOFF FROM ENTIRE WHITE LAKE WATERSHED USING CALIBRATED LOSS RATES
8 PH 1 30 .31 .59 0.98 1.13 1.27 1.78 2.67 3.83
9 BA 29.3
10 LU 0.30 0.10 27
11 UD 1.36
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SCHEMATIC DIAGRAM OF STREAM NETWORK
INPUT LINE (V) ROUTING (->->) DIVERSION OR PUMP FLOW
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IPRNT 3 PRINT CONTROL
IPLOT 0 PLOT CONTROL
QSCAL 0. HYDROGRAPH PLOT SCALE
IT HYDROGRAPH TIME DATA
NMIN 5 MINUTES IN COMPUTATION INTERVAL
IDATE 1 0 STARTING DATE
ITIME 0000 STARTING TIME
NQ 300 NUMBER OF HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES
NDDATE 2 0 ENDING DATE
NDTIME 0055 ENDING TIME
ICENT 19 CENTURY MARK
COMPUTATION INTERVAL .08 HOURS
TOTAL TIME BASE 24.92 HOURS
ENGLISH UNITS
DRAINAGE AREA SQUARE MILES
PRECIPITATION DEPTH INCHES
LENGTH, ELEVATION FEET
FLOW CUBIC FEET PER SECOND
STORAGE VOLUME ACRE-FEET
SURFACE AREA ACRES

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19.	13.	7.	1.							

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HYDROGRAPH AT STATION WL

TOTAL RAINFALL = 3.71, TOTAL LOSS = 1.70, TOTAL EXCESS = 2.01

PEAK FLOW	TIME	MAXIMUM AVERAGE FLOW			
(CFS)	(HR)	6-HR	24-HR	72-HR	24.92-HR
8533.	13.42	3870.	1564.	1507.	1507.
		(CFS)			
		(INCHES)	1.228	1.985	1.985
		(AC-FT)	1919.	3101.	3103.

CUMULATIVE AREA = 29.30 SQ MI

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RUNOFF SUMMARY
FLOW IN CUBIC FEET PER SECOND
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				6-HOUR	24-HOUR	72-HOUR			
+	HYDROGRAPH AT								
+	WL	8533.	13.42	3870.	1564.	1507.	29.30		

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11 LU 0.30 0.10 9
12 UD 1.36
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13 KK WL+25
14 KM 100 YR 10 DAY RUNOFF FROM WHITE LAKE PLUS 25 YR 24 HR INITIAL VOLUME
15 RS 1 STOR 2470 0
16 SV 0 0.003 0.05 362.3 1204.5 2157.4 3133.5 4123.9 5132.5 6169.7
17 SV 7250.9 8383.2 9563.3 10792.7
18 SQ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
19 SQ 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0 0
20 SE 5028.8 5029.7 5030.5 5031.4 5032.3 5033.1 5034.0 5034.8 5035.7 5036.6
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IT HYDROGRAPH TIME DATA
NMIN 20 MINUTES IN COMPUTATION INTERVAL
IDATE 1 0 STARTING DATE
ITIME 0000 STARTING TIME
NQ 720 NUMBER OF HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES
Page 1

NDDATE 10 0 ENDING DATE
 NDTIME 2340 ENDING TIME
 ICENT 19 CENTURY MARK

COMPUTATION INTERVAL .33 HOURS
 TOTAL TIME BASE 239.67 HOURS

ENGLISH UNITS
 DRAINAGE AREA SQUARE MILES
 PRECIPITATION DEPTH INCHES
 LENGTH, ELEVATION FEET
 FLOW CUBIC FEET PER SECOND
 STORAGE VOLUME ACRE-Feet
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 TLAG 1.36 LAG

UNIT HYDROGRAPH
 22 END-OF-PERIOD ORDINATES
 1080. 3417. 6932. 9026. 9182. 7895. 5986. 3960. 2757. 1974.
 1359. 964. 674. 470. 332. 234. 164. 115. 85. 61.
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HYDROGRAPH AT STATION WL

TOTAL RAINFALL = 12.26, TOTAL LOSS = 8.98, TOTAL EXCESS = 3.28

PEAK FLOW	TIME	6-HR	24-HR	72-HR	239.67-HR
(CFS)	(HR)				
+	11314.	121.33			
		(CFS)			
		4888.	2038.	755.	258.
		(INCHES)			
		1.551	2.587	2.876	3.274
		(AC-FT)			
		2424.	4043.	4495.	5116.

CUMULATIVE AREA = 29.30 SQ MI

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 13 KK * WL+25 *
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100 YR 10 DAY RUNOFF FROM WHITE LAKE PLUS 25 YR 24 HR INITIAL VOLUME

HYDROGRAPH ROUTING DATA

15 RS STORAGE ROUTING
 NSTPS 1 NUMBER OF SUBREACHES
 ITYP STOR TYPE OF INITIAL CONDITION
 RSVRIC 2470.00 INITIAL CONDITION
 X .00 WORKING R AND D COEFFICIENT

	STORAGE	DISCHARGE	ELEVATION	5028.80	5029.70	5030.50	5031.40	5032.30	5033.10	5034.00	5034.80	5035.70	5036.60
16 SV	.0	.0	.1	362.3	1204.5	2157.4	3133.5	4123.9	5132.5	6169.7			
	7250.9	8383.2	9563.3	10792.7									
18 SQ	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	0.	0.	0.	0.									
20 SE	5028.80	5029.70	5030.50	5031.40	5032.30	5033.10	5034.00	5034.80	5035.70	5036.60			
	5037.40	5038.30	5039.10	5040.00									

NMIN 20 MINUTES IN COMPUTATION INTERVAL
IDATE 1 0 STARTING DATE
ITIME 0000 STARTING TIME
NQ 2000 NUMBER OF HYDROGRAPH ORDINATES
NDDATE 28 0 ENDING DATE
NDTIME 1820 ENDING TIME
ICENT 19 CENTURY MARK

COMPUTATION INTERVAL .33 HOURS
TOTAL TIME BASE 666.33 HOURS

ENGLISH UNITS
DRAINAGE AREA SQUARE MILES
PRECIPITATION DEPTH INCHES
LENGTH, ELEVATION FEET
FLOW CUBIC FEET PER SECOND
STORAGE VOLUME ACRE-Feet
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TAREA 29.30 SUBBASIN AREA

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.47 .90 1.49 1.59 1.69 2.17 3.32 4.95 6.71 9.03 11.07 12.46

STORM AREA = 30.00

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TLAG 1.36 LAG

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1359. 964. 674. 470. 332. 234. 164. 115. 85. 61.
38. 18.

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HYDROGRAPH AT STATION WL

TOTAL RAINFALL = 12.26, TOTAL LOSS = 7.21, TOTAL EXCESS = 5.05

PEAK FLOW TIME MAXIMUM AVERAGE FLOW
(CFS) (HR) 6-HR 24-HR 72-HR 666.33-HR
+ 11654. 121.67 (CFS) 5228. 2377. 1012. 143.
(INCHES) 1.659 3.017 3.852 5.054
(AC-FT) 2592. 4715. 6019. 7898.

CUMULATIVE AREA = 29.30 SQ MI

14 KK *****
* WL+25 *
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100 YR 10 DAY RUNOFF FROM WHITE LAKE
PLUS 25 YR 24 HR INITIAL VOLUME (3103 AC-FT)
3MGD ANALYSIS ADDED TO STORAGE FOR EFFLUENT DISCHARGE (818 AC-FT)

HYDROGRAPH ROUTING DATA

18 RS STORAGE ROUTING
NSTPS 1 NUMBER OF SUBREACHES
ITYP STOR TYPE OF INITIAL CONDITION
RSVRIC 3921.00 INITIAL CONDITION
X .00 WORKING R AND D COEFFICIENT
19 SV STORAGE .0 .0 .1 362.3 1204.5 2157.4 3133.5 4123.9 5132.5 6169.7
7250.9 8383.2 9563.3 10792.7 12066.0 13382.8 14742.5 16146.5
21 SQ DISCHARGE 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0. 0.

WL_ADVISORY.OUT

23 SE ELEVATION 5028.80 5029.70 5030.50 5031.40 5032.30 5033.10 5034.00 5034.80 5035.70 5036.60
 5037.40 5038.30 5039.10 5040.00 5040.90 5041.70 5042.60 5043.40

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HYDROGRAPH AT STATION WL+25

PEAK FLOW	TIME	6-HR	MAXIMUM AVERAGE FLOW	72-HR	666.33-HR
(CFS)	(HR)		24-HR		
+	0.	0.	0.	0.	0.
	.00	(INCHES)	.000	.000	.000
		(AC-FT)	0.	0.	0.
PEAK STORAGE	TIME	6-HR	MAXIMUM AVERAGE STORAGE	72-HR	666.33-HR
(AC-FT)	(HR)		24-HR		
+	11819.	11819.	11819.	11819.	10375.
	247.00				
PEAK STAGE	TIME	6-HR	MAXIMUM AVERAGE STAGE	72-HR	666.33-HR
(FEET)	(HR)		24-HR		
+	5040.73	5040.72	5040.72	5040.75	5039.59
	245.67				

CUMULATIVE AREA = 29.30 SQ MI

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RUNOFF SUMMARY
 FLOW IN CUBIC FEET PER SECOND
 TIME IN HOURS, AREA IN SQUARE MILES

OPERATION	STATION	PEAK FLOW	TIME OF PEAK	AVERAGE FLOW FOR MAXIMUM PERIOD			BASIN AREA	MAXIMUM STAGE	TIME OF MAX STAGE
				6-HOUR	24-HOUR	72-HOUR			
+	HYDROGRAPH AT								
+		WL	11654.	121.67	5228.	2377.	1012.	29.30	
+	ROUTED TO	WL+25	0.	.00	0.	0.	0.	29.30	
+								5040.73	
+								245.67	

*** NORMAL END OF HEC-1 ***



Appendix E
Storage Analysis Backup Calculations

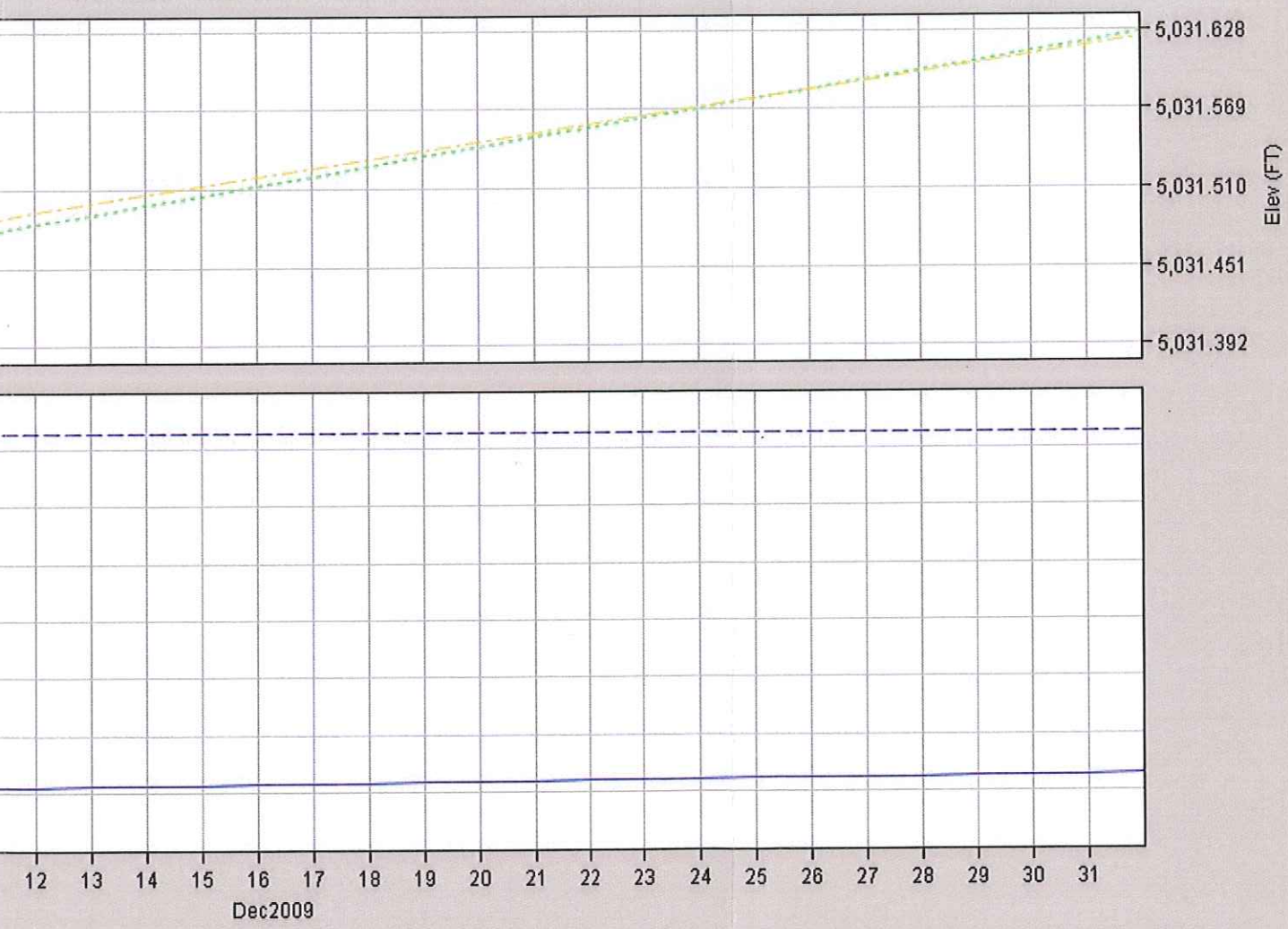
Elevation	Area (ft ²)	Area (ac)	EVAP RATES(h)											
			January	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
			0.13	0.15	0.31	0.39	0.62	0.75	1.13	0.78	0.53	0.35	0.18	0.11
			Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)	Evap (ft ³)
5028 814	0.0	0.0	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5029 197	84.4	0.0	12.31	14.47	28.93	36.65	58.53	71.23	106.34	73.90	49.74	32.91	16.78	10.48
5029 679	311.9	0.0	40.68	47.82	95.60	121.10	193.38	235.35	351.36	244.17	164.35	108.75	55.44	34.62
5029 961	1151.5	0.0	150.17	176.56	352.93	447.07	713.93	868.90	1297.16	901.43	606.74	401.49	204.68	127.82
5030 344	3905.9	0.1	509.39	598.90	1197.16	1516.47	2421.66	2947.33	4400.00	3057.67	2058.08	1361.66	694.27	433.55
5030 726	5602433.0	128.6	780560.64	850939.73	1717415.71	2175414.61	3473508.46	4227502.57	6311140.77	4385771.30	2952015.32	1953381.64	958392.47	621870.46
5031 106	26456418.0	607.4	3450357.85	4056560.76	8108892.12	10271704.29	16402979.16	19963572.08	29803154.88	20710965.69	13940327.58	9224471.08	470268.20	299662.40
5031 490	37417824.0	859.0	4879907.88	5737399.68	11468563.06	1452470.17	23199505.88	28234866.36	42151178.74	29291919.89	19716075.10	13046347.97	6651018.22	415378.48
5031 873	44154772.0	1013.7	5785818.18	670398.37	13533437.62	17143090.23	27379598.84	33318455.04	49740350.68	34565827.33	23265885.28	15395267.17	784510.72	491179.68
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White Lake
1
ControlJan

Volume (AC-FT)
96.2
285.3



Reservoir "Reservoir-1" Results for Run "Run 1"



Run:RESERVOIR-1 Result:Pool Elevation Run:Run 1 Element:RESERVOIR-1 Result:Outflow Run:Run 1 Element:RESERVOIR-1 Result:Combined Inflow

Appendix F

Hydrologic Analysis of Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley Playa, 1987

HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS OF SILVER LAKE AND LEMMON VALLEY PLAYAS

*KALC
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*See p. 6 for support
of simple idea*

*See p. 15 - question
accuracy of
study with 51
contour map*

p. 20 why this scenario

*See appendix B
better explanation
p. 14 - calibration
appears*

*At Lemmon Lake
a little higher but
Silver is 2' higher
than observed 3'
why?*

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1.0 - INTRODUCTION AND PURPOSE

This report is prepared in conjunction with a current Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) flood insurance re-study for the Reno/Sparks Area. The re-study includes a hydrologic and hydraulic analysis for the Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley watersheds in order to determine 100 year water surface elevations for the major playas within these areas. The previous flood insurance study mapped these playas using approximate methods. Due to the increase in development immediately adjacent to these lakes, it has become necessary to determine regulatory flood elevations for the lake areas.

A brief version of this report that addressed the calibration procedure used in this study was sent to the U.S. Geological Survey, National Weather Service Forecast Office in Reno, the Corps of Engineers, The Soil Conservation Service, the Federal Emergency Management Agency, and local agencies for review. Comments were received from each of these agencies. This report was revised to address each of the comments received and include the analysis of the 100 year runoff volumes. The letters that were received in response to the original report are contained in Appendix A with a section that specifically addresses each comment.

During February 1986, a significant precipitation event occurred which allowed the collection of valuable data for evaluating the hydrologic characteristics of these watersheds. This report presents the results of Nimbus Engineers calibration of the HEC-1 hydrologic models using the available data from the February 1986 event. This calibration was used to determine reasonable initial and constant loss rates to be used in the hydrologic models that will determine the runoff volumes from a 100 year, 10 day event.

Both the Lemmon Valley and Silver Lake Playas are terminal lakes within closed basins. Closed basin lakes present a unique and difficult regulatory problem for western flood plain managers. The only outflow from most of these lakes is evaporation, as is the case with the playas evaluated in this study. When flooding occurs from lake level fluctuations, the period of inundation can be weeks or months. This results in substantially higher damages to structures and roadways than shorter duration riverine flooding. Because of this fact, considerable care must be taken in determining an accurate level for the desired recurrence interval to be used for management purposes.

Due to insufficient historical lake level data for the playas evaluated in this study, the level for a 100 year recurrence interval must be established with a hydrologic model and tested with a variety of potential types and patterns of storms. This report presents the method used to calibrate the hydrologic model used and the rainfall patterns and distributions that were used to determine the potential lake level.

2.0 - PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREA

The two watersheds evaluated in this report are shown on Figure 1. These basins are located in southern Washoe County just north of the Reno area. Most of the area is within unincorporated Washoe County, Nevada with some portions incorporated into the City of Reno. Elevations within the watershed range from a maximum of 8266 feet to a minimum of 4906. Vegetation types in the watershed vary from sparse Pinon in the upper elevations to sage/grass in the majority of the watershed. Large portions of these watersheds consist of gently sloping alluvial material with a poorly defined drainage pattern. Most of the runoff within the watershed occurs as shallow sheet flow and braided flow. The primary drainages are so poorly defined that many of the major drainages are not readily discernable from the ground. Aerial photos provide a better reference for identification of the drainage patterns than field inspection. Both watersheds in the study area are closed basins draining to playas. The only losses from these playas are evaporation and infiltration.

The Silver Lake watershed is 53.8 square miles in size. The watershed is long and narrow with the playa located in the southern extreme of the watershed. The Lemmon Valley watershed is 43.02 square miles in size with the playa being centrally located within the basin.

3.0 - HISTORICAL DATA

Peak lake levels in the playas have not been recorded in the past since the lakes did not threaten any structures until recent encroachments have resulted in damage to structures. The only information on lake levels prior to 1983 only exists in a few photos with uncertain dates and indistinguishable shorelines.

In 1982 the Desert Research Institute (DRI) installed a staff gauge in Silver Lake to monitor lake level fluctuations. The purpose of their study was to determine the surface and groundwater contributions to the lake throughout the year for water supply studies. The staff gauge was destroyed by vandals soon after it was installed and has not been re-established.

Beginning in 1985, Pyramid Engineers and Land Surveyors began monitoring the lake level of Silver Lake and the two adjacent playas to the northeast, with periodic surveys of the water surface elevations.

During the flooding of February 1986, the Washoe County Utility Department began monitoring the water surface elevations of Lemmon Valley playa. The lake had risen to the point that it was inundating the sewage treatment plant at the southeast corner of the playa. The flooding of the playa resulted in closure of the plant and temporary discharge of raw sewage into the playa.

3.1 - 4 DAY STORM OF DECEMBER 1955

The 1955 storm was used by the Corps of Engineers in their analysis of the Truckee River Basin (Ref 25). The Corps developed an isohyetal map of the December 21-25, 1955 event for the Truckee River Basin. This map suggests that the precipitation totals within the study area was 1.2 to 1.4 times greater than the totals at Reno-Cannon International Airport. This event consisted of a 4-5 day rainfall on an existing snowpack that caused significant runoff on many of the major watercourses such as the Truckee River.

3.2 - 3 DAY STORM OF FEBRUARY 1963

The Corps of Engineers also prepared a isohyetal map of the January 30 to February 1, 1963 event, for their use in the Truckee River analysis (Ref 25). This event produced one of the highest recorded discharges on the Truckee River. The storm was a 3 day rainfall event. The Corps considered the snowpack to be light enough to be considered insignificant to the peak runoff response in the Truckee River.

Precipitation totals in the study area during the 1963 event appear to have been 1.6 to 2.3 times greater than the totals at the Reno airport gauge.

3.3 - WINTER OF 1982 - 1983

Unusually wet conditions existed before and during the winter of 1982 and 1983. Many of the terminal lakes and sinks in Nevada experienced higher than average runoff volumes and lake levels. The peak elevation of Silver Lake during 1983 was estimated by the Desert Research Institute as 4962.5.

3.4 - 9 DAY STORM OF FEBRUARY 1986

A significant amount of flooding occurred in the Reno/Sparks area during February 1986. The flooding was caused by a large warm Pacific storm that began February 12th and extended through February 20th. Daily precipitation totals for the storm were collected at 14 sites in and around the Reno area. Three of these gauges are located within the study area; two in the southern portion of the Silver Lake watershed and one in the northern portion of the Lemmon Valley watershed. The only recording rain gauge in the area was the National Weather Service gauge at the Reno-Cannon International Airport. Hourly totals of the rainfall which occurred at Cannon International Airport are graphed and shown in Figure 2.

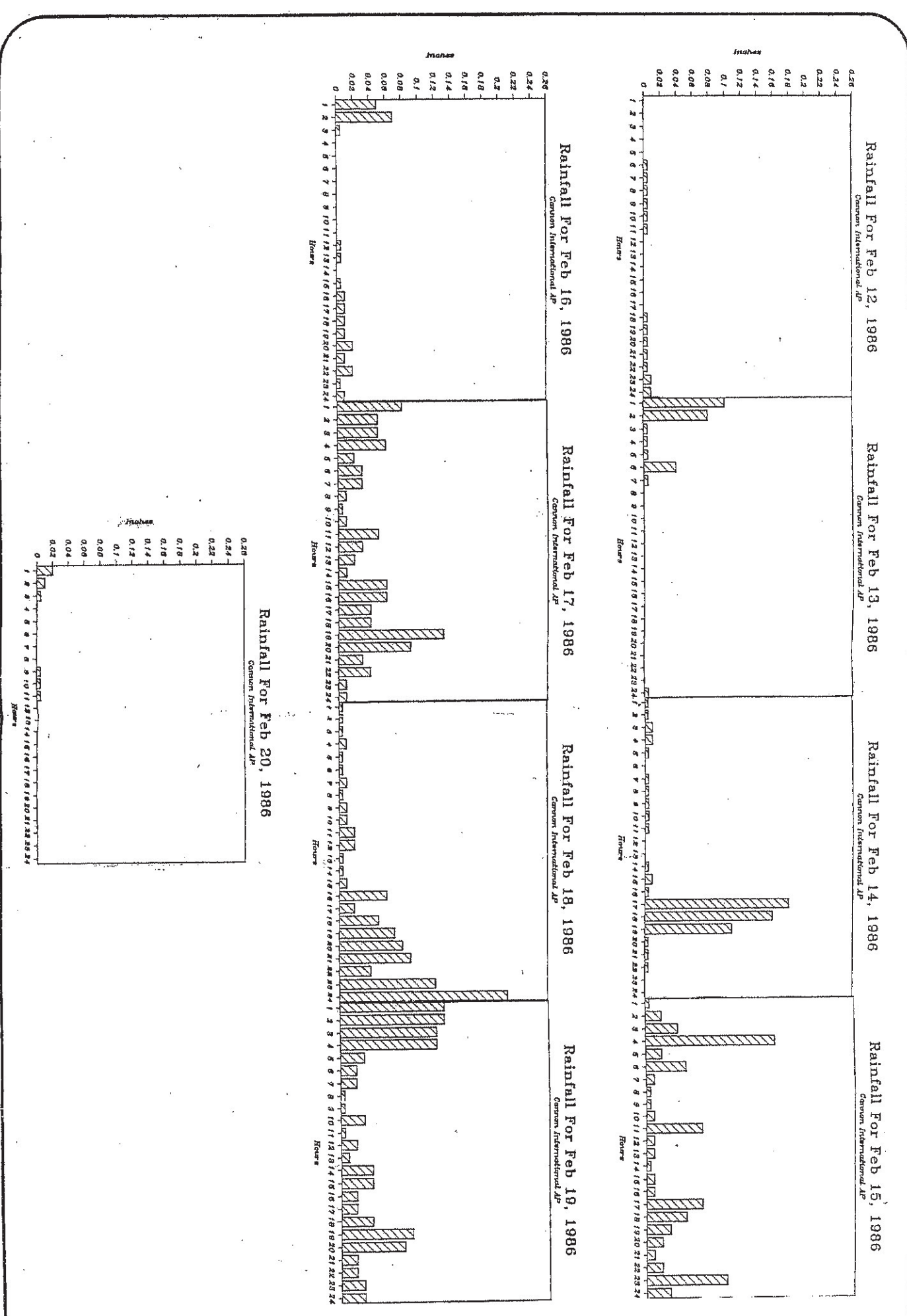



FIGURE 2


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Analysis of the rainfall data collected during that event was done by Washoe County Department of Comprehensive Planning (Ref. 4). Their analysis indicates that the rainfall totals vary consistently with elevation. This would suggest that the storm was large enough to have a relatively consistent spatial and temporal distribution over the area of interest. Rainfall totals at specific sites appeared to be dependant upon orographic effects. The National Weather Service Forecast Office at Reno, prepared a report on the February 1986 event which included a map of the 10 day precipitation totals for the Truckee River Basin (Ref. 28). Using the rainfall information from the 15 rain gauges, the NWS report, and the analysis by Washoe County, a reasonable Isohyetal Map was constructed for the area of interest. This map is included as Figure 3, as it was revised by NWS staff.

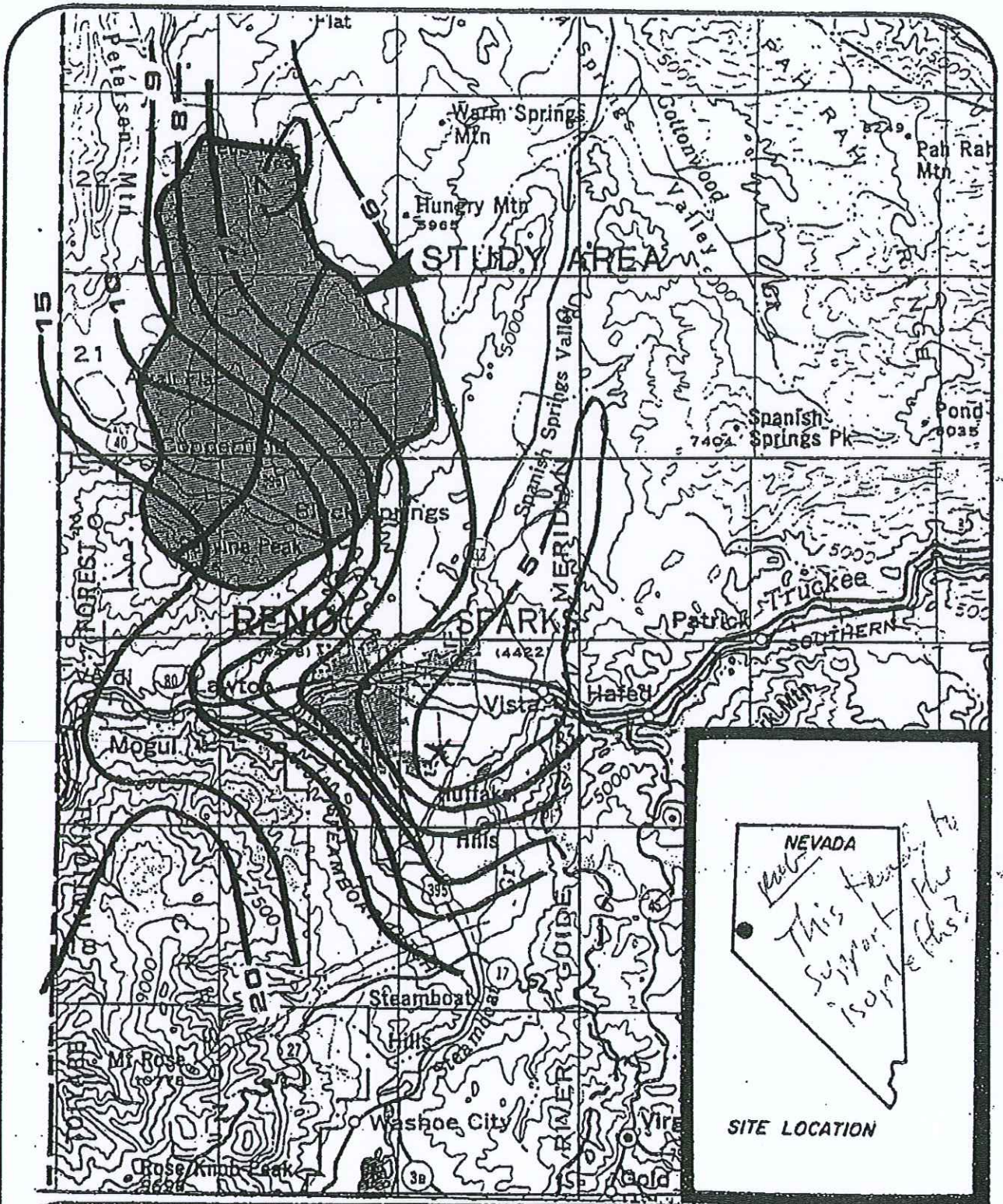
Figure 4 is a rainfall mass curve from the event using the hourly totals from the National Weather Service gauge at the airport. This mass curve indicates that the highest intensity rainfall occurred between 2300 hours on February 18 and 400 hours on February 19th. Figure 5 shows the short duration precipitation that indicates that the intensities during the storm were low. The storm was a long duration and low intensity event that only produced high peak flows in the larger watercourses. Since the most significant portion of the total rainfall occurred at the end of the nine day period, the soils within the watershed were saturated during the key period.

Nimbus Engineers performed field inspections of the study area before, during, and after the February event. The Washoe County Utility Department took frequent water level measurements of the Lemmon Valley playa which recorded the lake's response to the runoff from the watershed. The graph prepared by Washoe County is included as Figure 6. Frequent lake level measurements that recorded Silver Lake's response to the event were also recorded by Pyramid Engineers. Their data has been plotted in the same format as the Lemmon Valley playa and is included as Figure 7. Both playas had minimal or no initial volume at the beginning of the event.

The precipitation data and lake levels are the only hard data collected. Watercourses were also inspected by Nimbus staff during and after the event to determine which areas of the watersheds contributed significantly to the watershed discharges.

4.0 - OTHER STUDIES

The original flood insurance study for Washoe County developed flood limits for these playas using approximate methods. Therefore this study does not provide useful information for this study.



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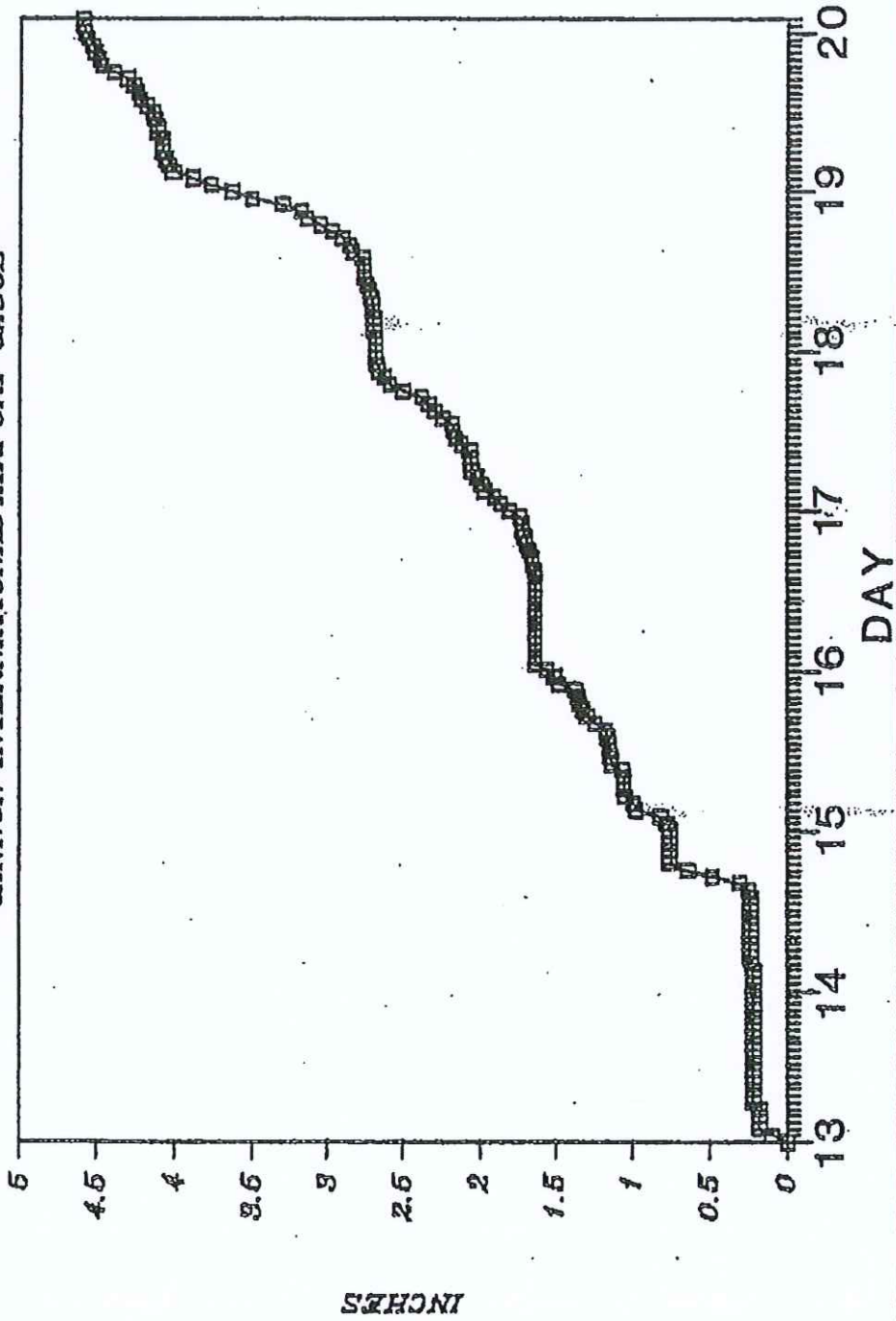
FIGURE 3

ISOHYETAL MAP

FEBRUARY 12-20, 1986

RAINFALL MASS CURVE FOR FEB 13-19, 1986

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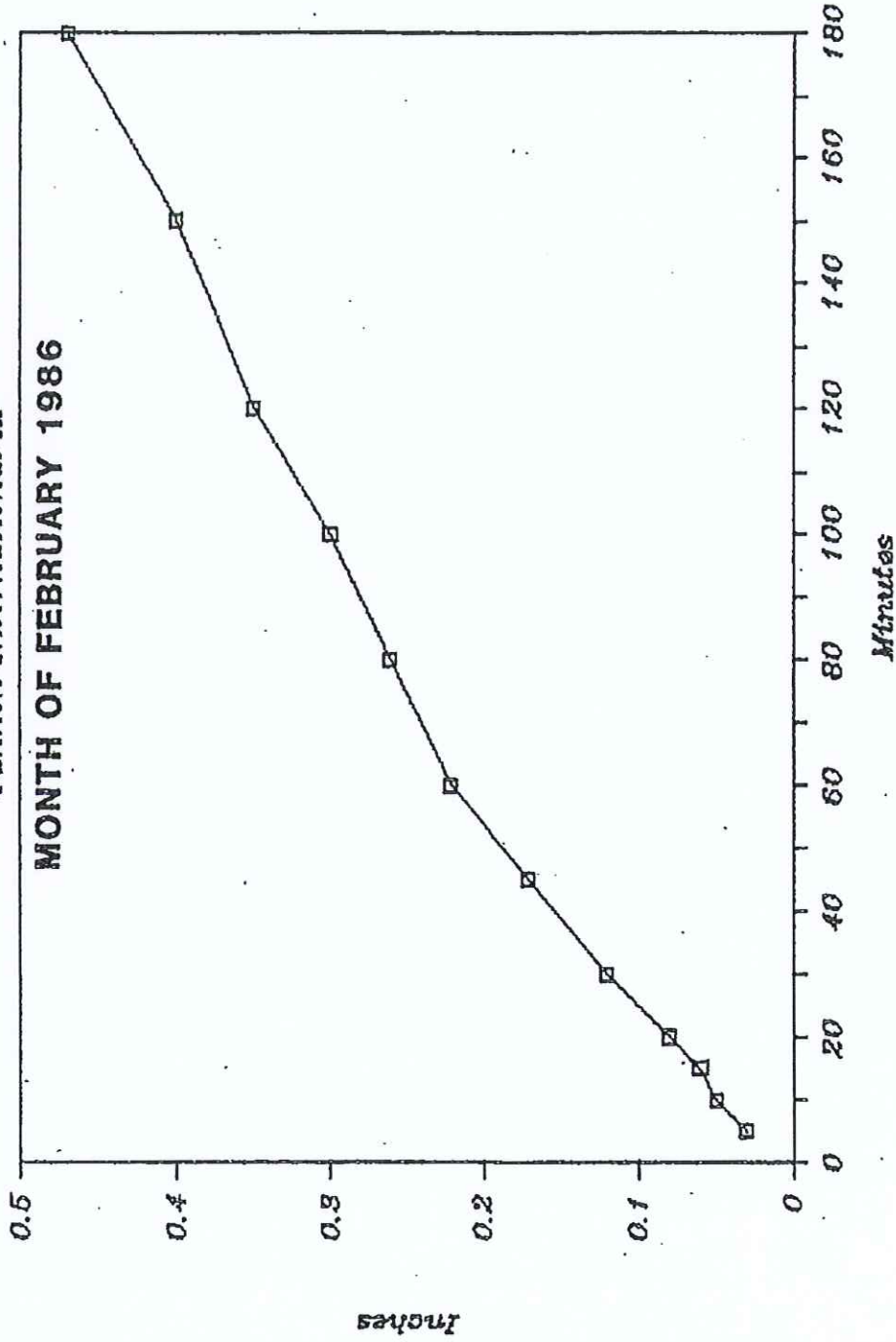


FIGURE 4

Maximum Short Duration Precipitation

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FIGURE 5

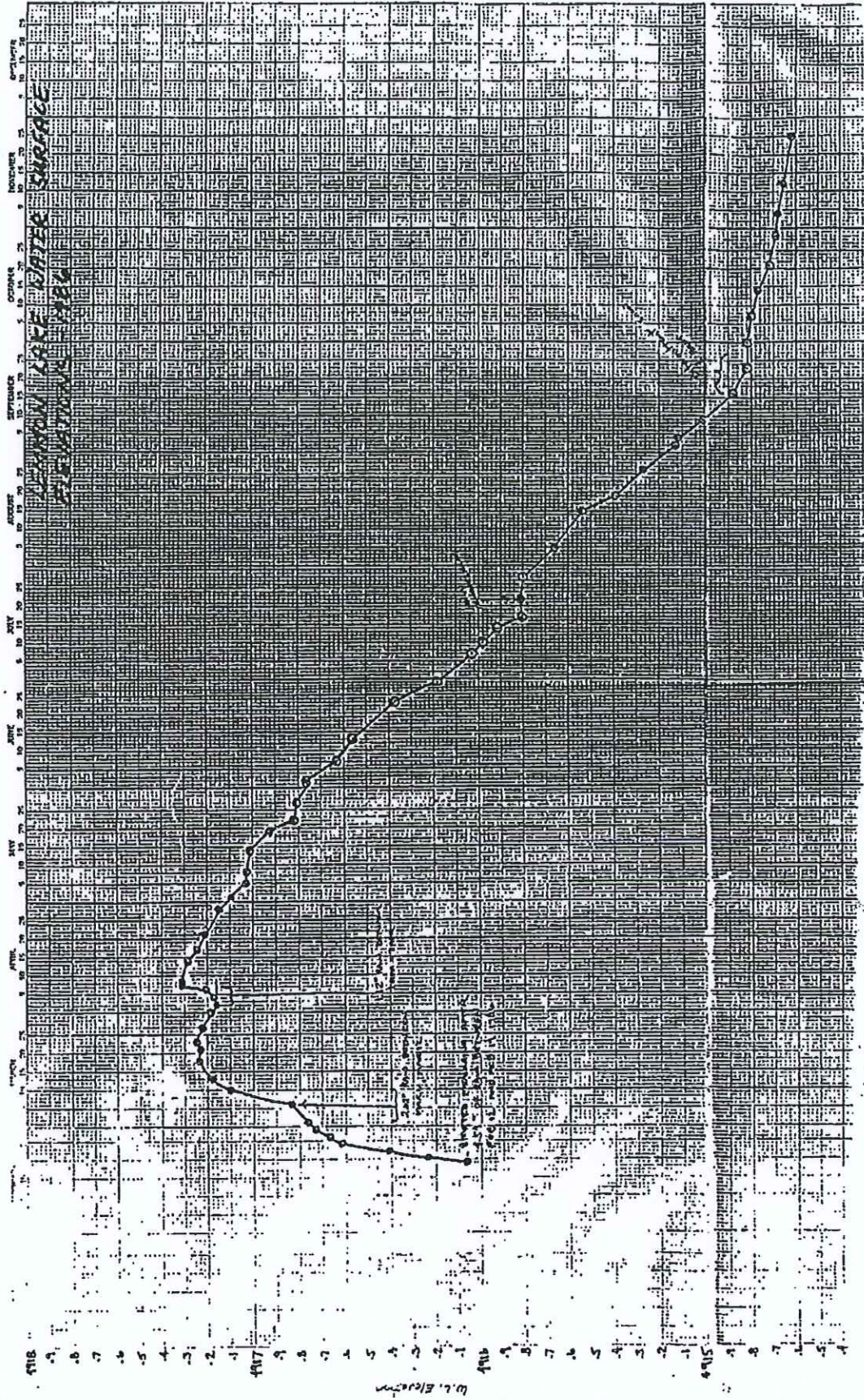


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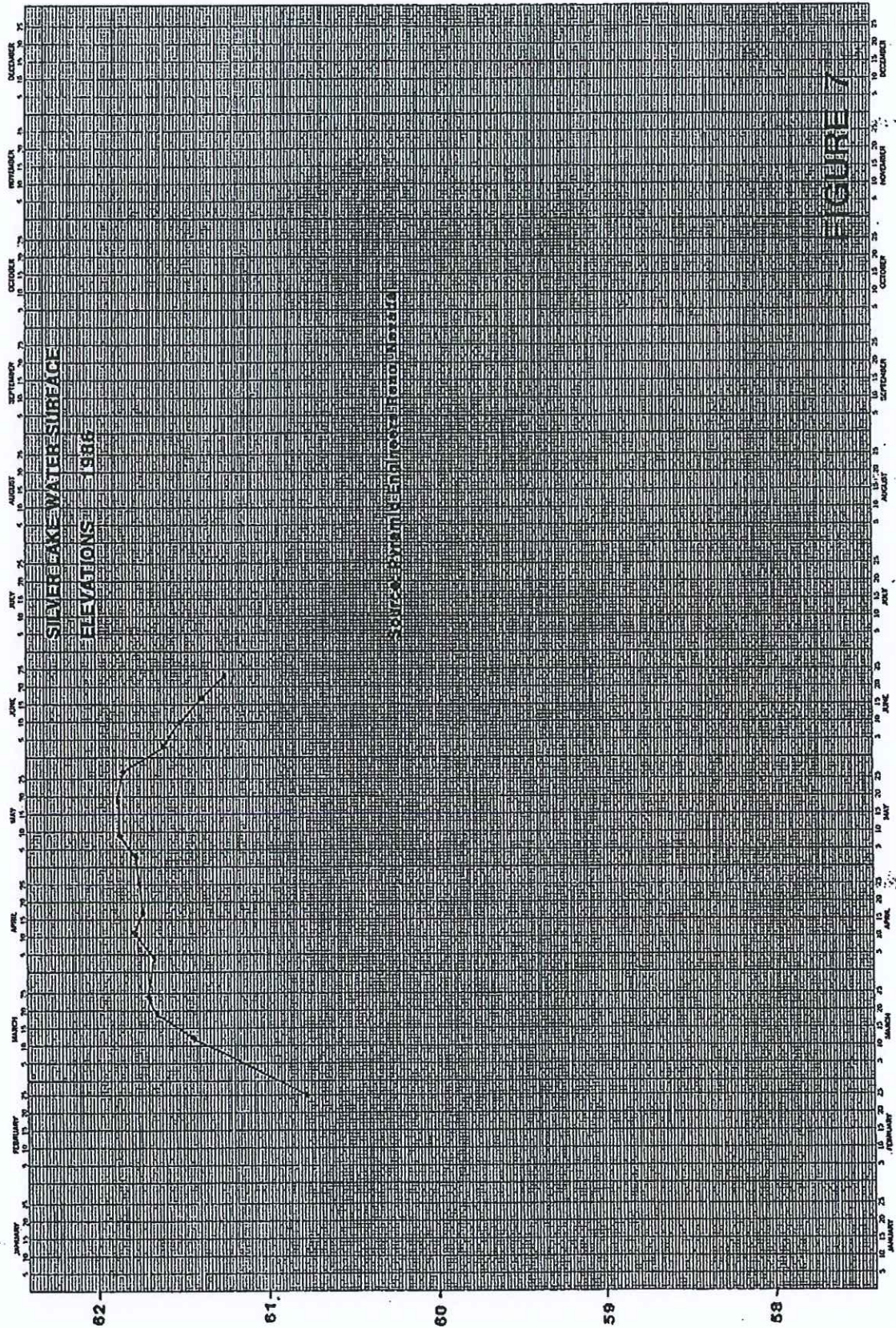


FIGURE 7

Reimer and Associates of Burlingame, California and Schaff & Wheeler Consulting Civil Engineers of San Jose, California submitted a request for Letter of Map Revision (LOMR) to the FEMA (Ref. 12 & 14), in 1985. This LOMR request included a hydrologic analysis of Silver Lake for the purpose of establishing a 100 year lake level. This level was needed for the design of a project that is proposed for a site at the northeast side of Silver Lake. The study used the curve number method of computing runoff volumes from the watershed. The rainfall used in the computations was derived from NOAA Atlas (Ref. 26) with a rainfall pattern distributed according to the pattern observed during the December 1955 to January 1956 event. The resulting water surface elevation from this analysis of Silver Lake was 4965.0.

Desert Research Institute has been performing studies of the Silver Lake Watershed for water harvesting studies. These studies, were performed to develop information on recharge and yield from smaller events and to determine information for average annual conditions. The studies were also isolated to small watersheds on Peavine Mountain. The information developed by DRI does not address extreme events.

5.0 - ALTERNATIVES FOR HYDROLOGIC ANALYSIS

Due to insufficient historical lake level data to perform a statistical analysis of lake level recurrence intervals, these levels must be estimated with hydrologic analysis. This study does not include calculation of water surface profiles, therefore peak discharge is not important to the study. Runoff volumes from the watershed for a given storm pattern or series of storm patterns is the desired result. The total runoff volume for the storm(s) deemed to be a reasonable estimate of a 100 year condition would then be translated into a lake level based on the calculated stage - discharge relationship for the lake of concern.

5.1 - SINGLE EVENT MODELS

5.1.1 - Curve Number Procedure

The most common method of calculating runoff volumes from a watershed is the SCS curve number method. This can be done using 24 hour daily rainfall information with 24 hour curve numbers and then summing the volumes for each day of the storm of interest. The curve number method can also be applied to a 10 day storm by reducing the 24 hour curve number to a 10 day curve number using

the procedure described in the SCS Technical Release No. 60 (TR-60).

5.1.1 - SCS Computer Program TR-20

The SCS computer program TR-20 develops a hydrograph for a watershed using the equations developed for the curve number procedure. The results using TR-20 should be very similar to the hand calculation method of the curve number procedure, in terms of runoff volume.

5.1.2 - Corps of Engineers Computer Program HEC-1

The Corps of Engineers Hydrologic Engineering Center developed a single event flood hydrograph package called HEC-1. HEC-1 is commonly used by engineers for developing hydrographs to be used in flood studies. HEC-1 allows the use of many methods of computing rainfall distributions, infiltration losses, routing methods, and hydrograph generation. One of the options includes the curve number method that is very similar to TR-20.

5.2 - CONTINUOUS EVENT MODELS

There are several continuous event models that will model long term runoff, and soil moisture accounting for a watershed. One example of this type of model is the Stanford Watershed Model. A continuous event model would likely produce the most accurate information for use in this type of study, but the data required to perform a continuous event simulation is extensive and is not available for the study area.

6.0 - MODEL CALIBRATION

The February 1986 event was very significant because it produced severe flooding in many parts of California and Nevada. During and after this event rainfall and lake level data was collected. There is sufficient information from this event to reasonably model the runoff response from the watershed as a single event simulation. Using this information, several of the methods described in Section 5 were tested for their ability to reproduce the results that were observed.

Since the purpose of this study is to determine the runoff volume to the playa areas, peak flows were not considered as being important in the selection of model parameters. For this reason, the two areas were lumped into two separate large watersheds and

basin wide averages were used in selecting the parameters for the model. The isohyetal map included as Figure 3 was used to determine basin average precipitation for each watershed. Lag times were estimated using both the curve number and Upland methods and average values were selected. Impervious cover was estimated including the lake surfaces, roads and residential/commercial areas.

Observations made during and after the storm indicated that the upper elevations within the watersheds received a considerable amount of their precipitation as snowfall. Since snowfall would not contribute to the initial runoff response from the watershed, a certain amount of the watershed was excluded from the model. Based on the information presented in the NWS report and observations made in the field, the area above 5600 feet was selected as the area that received the bulk of its precipitation as snowfall. This is probably a conservatively low level. If a higher level was selected, there would be a greater area of contributing watershed and the precipitation losses per unit area would need to be greater. The 5600 level is considered to be an appropriate and conservative estimate. This modification decreased the effective watershed area for Silver Lake from 53.8 square miles to 37 square miles, and for the Lemmon Valley playa from 43.02 square miles to 36 square miles.

The period of rainfall modeled was from 1100 hours on February 14 to the end of the storm. The modeling period does not include the first portion of the storm in order to concentrate the computational period to the end of the storm. This assumes that the rainfall that occurred prior to the 1100 hours on the 14th was lost as initial abstraction. Since the precipitation that occurred prior to this period was minimal, this assumption is not considered to be significant. Including this rainfall into the model would increase the runoff volume predicted and thus cause the predicted losses to be higher. Therefore, this is a conservative assumption.

6.1 - SCS CURVE NUMBER METHOD

Schaff and Wheeler estimated the 24 hour curve number for the Silver Lake watershed to be 82 (for AMC II). Based on the soil survey, vegetation types and the curve numbers presented in TR-55 for sage-grass conditions, this estimate appears to be reasonable. Based on Table 2-3 in TR-60, the corresponding 10 day curve number would be 68.

Imputing this 10 day curve number into the HEC-1 model for Silver Lake using the February 1986 storm data, yields a runoff volume of 9300 acre feet.

The curve number for Lemmon Valley playa was estimated to be 86 which translates into a 10 day curve number of 74. The runoff volume and corresponding lake level for Lemmon Valley playa is 10,200 acre feet and 4919.6 respectively.

As compared to the observed runoff volume, the SCS curve number method significantly over-predicted the runoff volumes for the watershed. For the Silver Lake watershed, the resulting volumes predicted by the model with the reduced watershed area was over 2.6 times greater than the observed runoff volume of approximately 3600 acre-feet. In order to duplicate the observed runoff volume for this watershed, the curve number had to be adjusted to approximately 41.

Use of the 10 day curve number for Lemmon Lake watershed produced a runoff volume of 10,200 acre feet as compared to the observed runoff volume of 7100 acre-feet. In order to duplicate the observed runoff volume for this watershed, the curve number was adjusted to approximately 58.

TABLE 1

COMPARISON OF OBSERVED VOLUMES
WITH RESULTS FROM CURVE NUMBER METHOD

BASIN	OBSERVED VOLUME (AC-FT)	OBSERVED ELEVATION	* MODELED VOLUME (AC-FT)	MODELED ELEVATION
SILVER LAKE	3600	4961.7	9300	4967.9
LEMMON VALLEY	7100	4917.3	10,200	4919.6

* Using CNs of 68 and 74 for Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley respectively.

Because of the results of this analysis, the curve number method was determined to be inappropriate for this task. The curve number method appears to give reasonable results in terms of peak discharge values, but over-predicts the total volume under the hydrograph.

6.2 - INITIAL AND CONSTANT LOSS RATES

The Sacramento District of the Corps of Engineers prepared a hydrology report for the Truckee River basin in 1980 (Ref. 25). This report presents the results of their calibration of the initial and constant loss rates within that watershed during the 1955 and 1963 events. The results of their analysis indicated that an initial loss rate of 0.30 and constant loss rates of between 0.05 and 0.23 resulted in reasonable duplications of observed hydrographs for those events. They adopted a constant loss rate of 0.10 for general rain, probable maximum and standard project events.

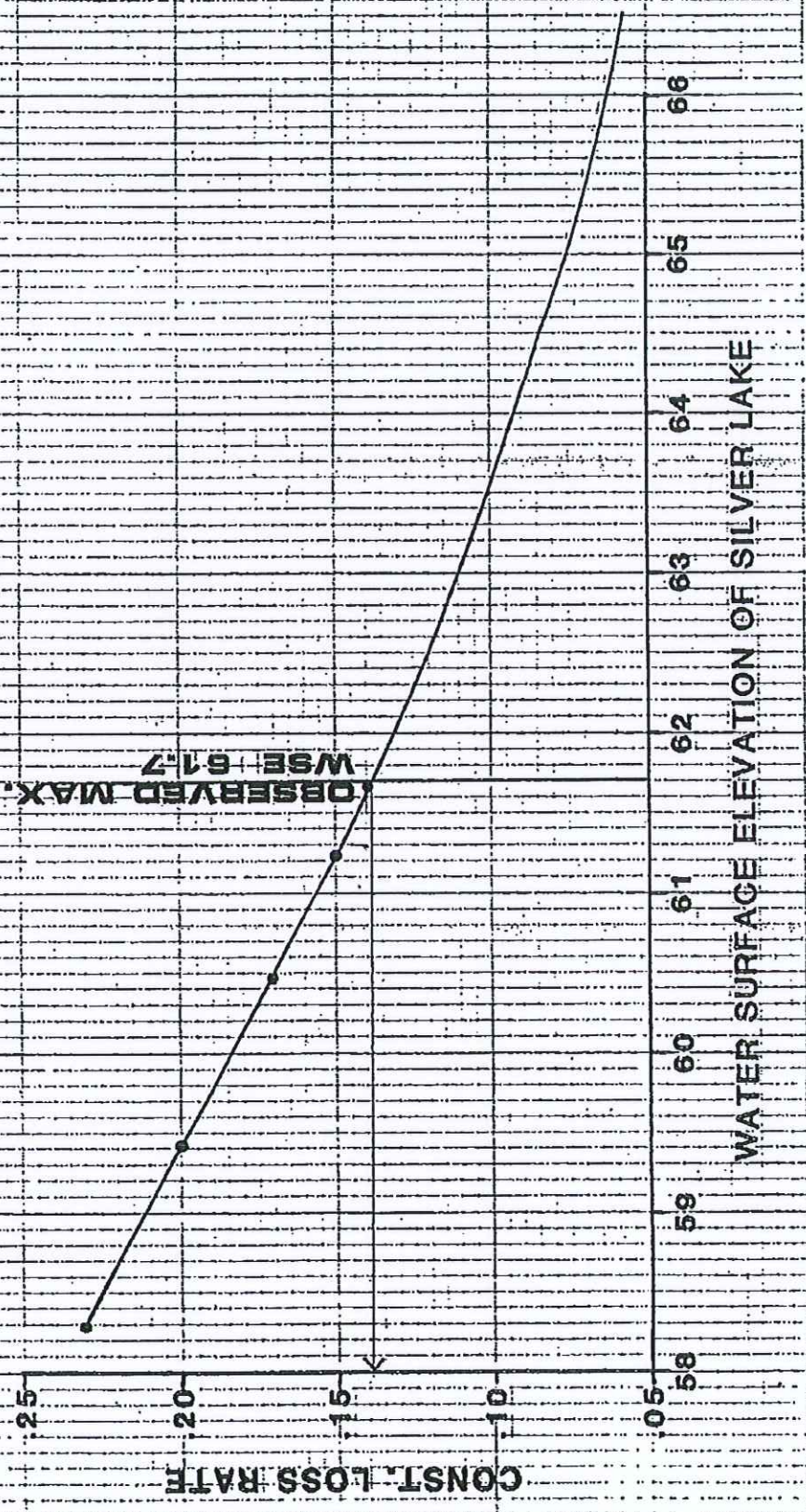
Since our calibration model for this eight day event was not very sensitive to the initial loss rate, the value of 0.30 was chosen as a reasonable value. Each watershed model was then tested using varying constant loss rates to determine which constant loss rate would produce the observed runoff volume. The results of this analysis is presented in graphical form on Figures 8 and 10. Figures 9 and 11 are the stage-storage curves for these two major playas. The results indicate that the appropriate constant loss rates for the Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley watersheds are 0.14 and 0.072 respectively. These values are within the range of values observed by the Corps of Engineers for the adjacent watershed areas. These values are also very similar to the infiltration rates reported for the soils in the watersheds (Ref 21).

The stage-storage curves presented as Figures 9 and 11 were derived using References 5 and 7. Reference 7 is a topographic map of the Silver Lake area at a contour interval of 5 feet with frequent spot elevations. One foot contours were estimated and compared to the bathometric survey map in Reference 2. The areas under each contour were measured and compared to the information on the 7.5 min USGS quad. Once the stage area information was obtained, this information was input into the HEC-1 model and HEC-1 calculated the storage volumes at each stage using the conic method.

1979 aerial photos of the Lemmon Valley playa were used to obtain spot elevations on a 100 foot grid of the playa area. This digital information was analyzed to obtain a stage-area relationship for the playa area. This information combined with the USGS quad, were utilized to obtain the final stage-area information that was input into the HEC-1 model.

Runoff volumes for Lemmon Valley playa are higher per unit area than for Silver Lake. As a result of the higher observed volumes, there is a lower calibrated loss rate for Lemmon Valley playa. The higher runoff potential for this basin is also observed in the greater percentage of soils in hydrologic soil groups C and D. This also results in a higher estimated curve number based on the soil survey and observed vegetation types and densities. Another factor that influences the runoff volumes is

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FIGURE 8

SILVER LAKE PLAYA

STAGE-STORAGE RELATIONSHIP

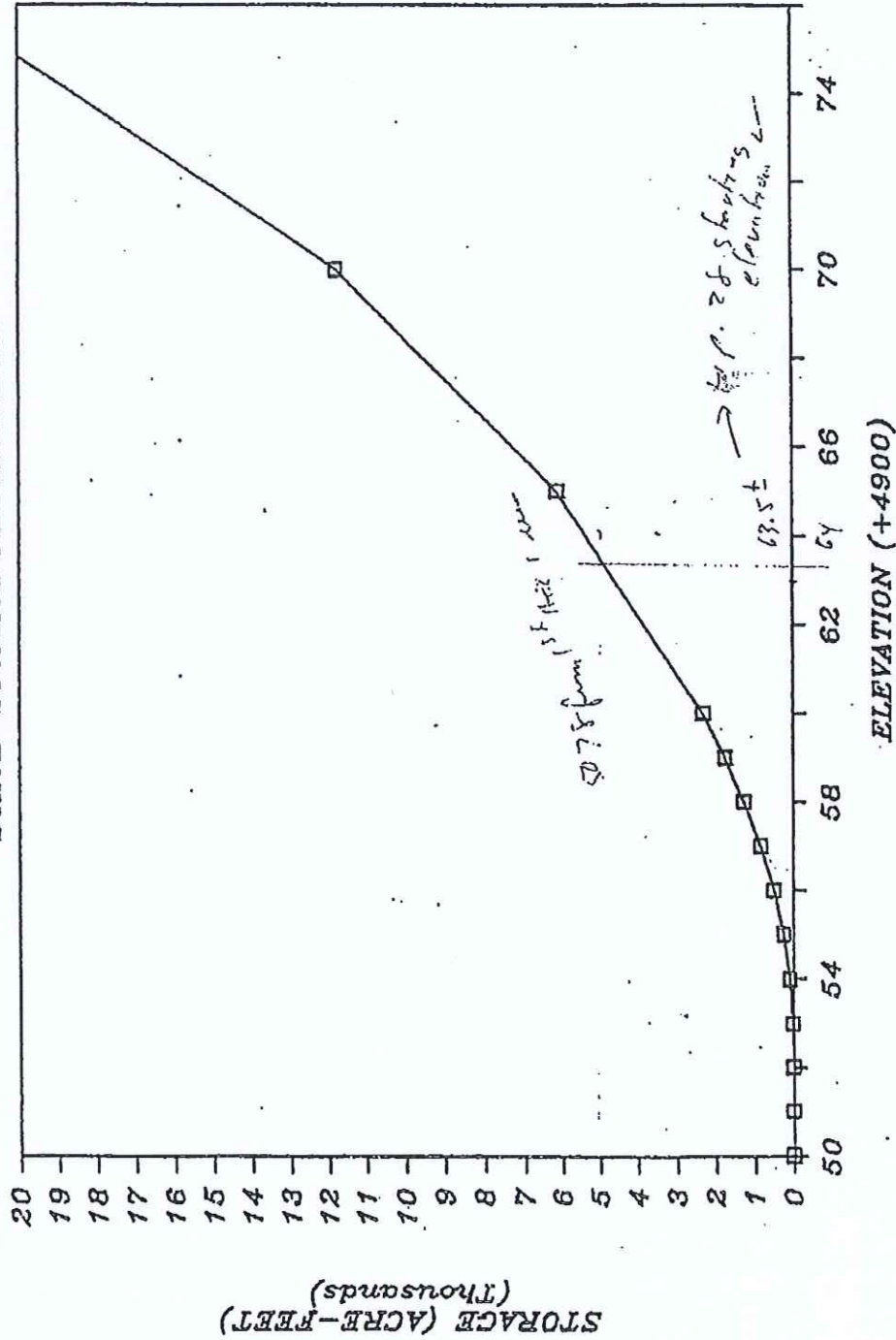


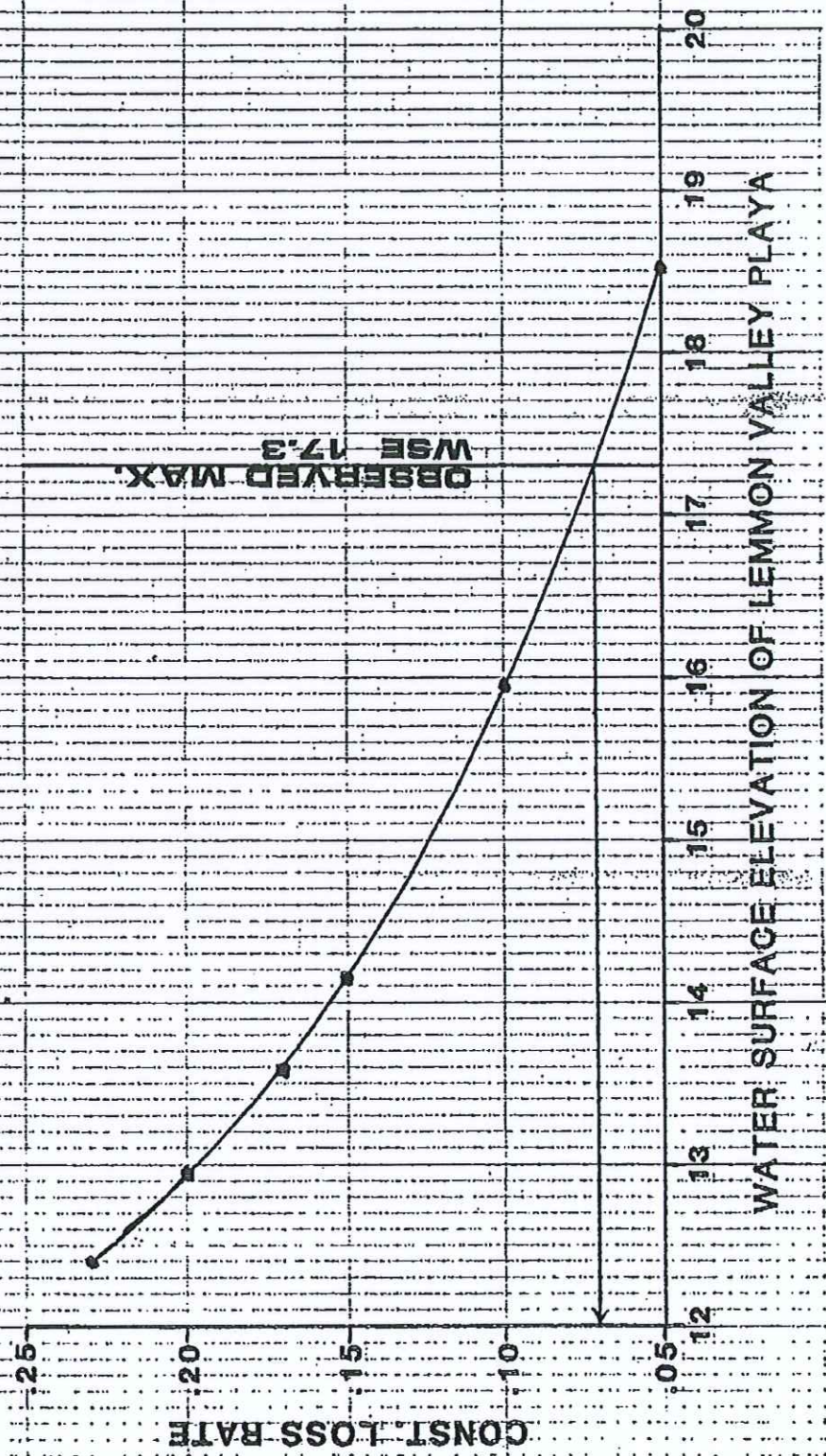
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FIGURE 10

LEMMON VALLEY PLAYA

STAGE-STORAGE RELATIONSHIP

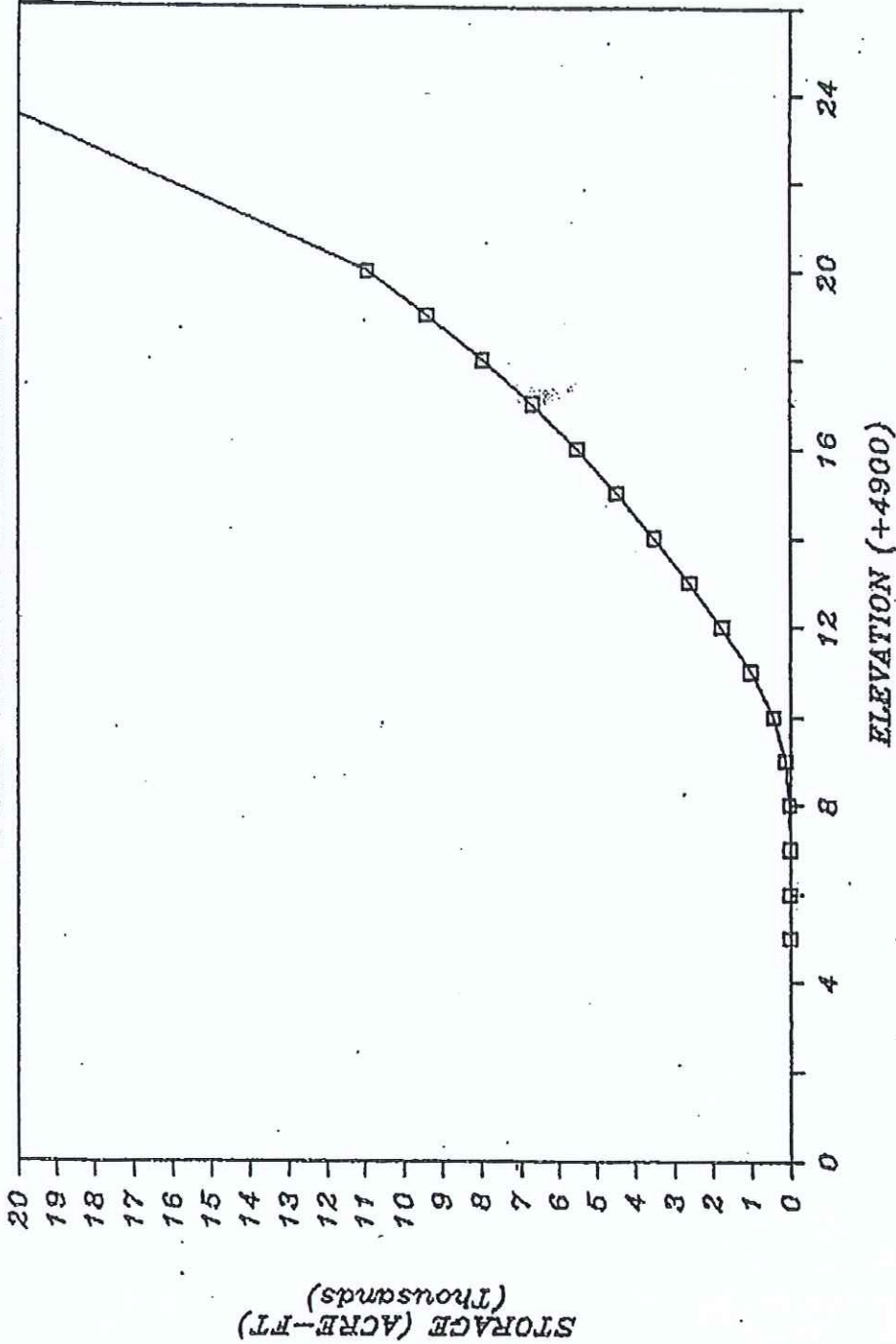


FIGURE 11

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channel infiltration losses. The Silver Lake watershed has longer channel reaches than Lemmon Valley because of the differences in watershed shape and location of the playa within the watershed. This higher potential for channel infiltration losses in the Silver Lake watershed results in higher constant loss rates than Lemmon Valley. These two factors provide a reasonable explanation for the differences noted between the constant loss rates obtained in the calibration analysis.

6.3 - RESULTS OF CALIBRATION MODELING

The SCS curve number method was deemed to be inappropriate for this analysis because of the excessive volumes of runoff predicted. The use of initial and constant loss rates were determined to be the most accurate means of duplicating the watershed characteristics observed during the February 1986 event, with the limited data available. The constant loss rate values determined by this analysis, are the result of a one event calibration attempt with limited data. Since the purpose of the calibration is to determine the loss rates to use in a 10 day, 100 year event, which is similar to the type of event experienced, the results are considered to be appropriate for use in the final analysis.

~~In order to get a final 100 year lake level for each of the playa areas, the model will need to incorporate an estimate of initial storage and possibly a smaller event that follows the 100 year event within the same year.~~

7.0 - STATISTICAL RAINFALL INFORMATION

Once the basic models were developed for the study area the next problem was identification of appropriate statistical rainfall information, storm pattern(s) and storm duration to be used for the study area. In the comments received from Washoe County Department of Comprehensive Planning, Leonard Crowe objected to the use of NOAA Atlas 2 for this study. In previous studies done by the Planning Department (Ref. 4), NOAA Atlas was found to under predict rainfall amounts near the eastern slopes of the Sierras.

During the course of this study several references were reviewed and data was compiled for gauges in the surrounding areas. The following sections provide a brief description of each reference and the method utilized in this study.

7.1 - NOAA ATLAS 2 AND TECHNICAL PAPER NO. 49

Prior to 1972, the NWS publications that provided statistical rainfall information for the entire United States was NWS Technical Paper No. 40, and 49. Technical Paper 40 provides information for durations of 5 minutes to 24 hours and Technical Paper 49 provides information for durations of 2 to 10 days. In the early 1970's, Technical Paper 40 was replaced with NOAA Atlas 2 for the western states. Technical Paper 40 is still used in the eastern states. Technical Paper 49 has not been replaced by the National Weather Service.

Each isopluvial line that passes through the study area in each of these references, also passes through Reno at the location of the Reno Airport. Therefore, each of these references suggests that the study area (at an average elevation of over 5000 feet) has similar rainfall statistics as the Reno Airport, which is at an elevation of 4411 feet. Past storms such as the 1955, 1963 and 1986 events suggest that this assumption is not correct (see sections 3.1 to 3.4). Appendix A contains two letters from Leonard Crowe that provide some additional storm by storm comparisons between the Reno Airport gauge and the Stead Gauge located in the study area. This analysis also suggests that the study area can receive up to twice the rainfall amount experienced in the Truckee Meadows from the same storm.

Since the use of accurate rainfall information is critical to this study, additional analysis was warranted. Table 2 identifies the rainfall values that would be obtained using NOAA Atlas 2.

TABLE 2
100 YEAR
PRECIPITATION DEPTH-DURATION INFORMATION
USING NOAA ATLAS 2

DURATION	DEPTH
5 MIN	0.35
1 HR	1.19
6 HR	1.70
12 HR	1.90
24 HR	2.62

7.2 - SCS TECHNICAL NOTE PO-6

Since the National Weather Service did not update Technical Paper 49 after NOAA Atlas was released, the SCS developed an alternative to Paper 49 with a short release known as Technical Note PO-6 - Hydrology. This reference describes a procedure for determining the 2 and 100 year, 10 day precipitation amounts from NOAA Atlas. Since this reference is based on NOAA Atlas 2, it also suggests that the study area and Reno Airport have similar statistics. The 100 year, 10 day total derived using this reference is 5.6 inches.

7.3 - NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE FORECAST OFFICE IN RENO

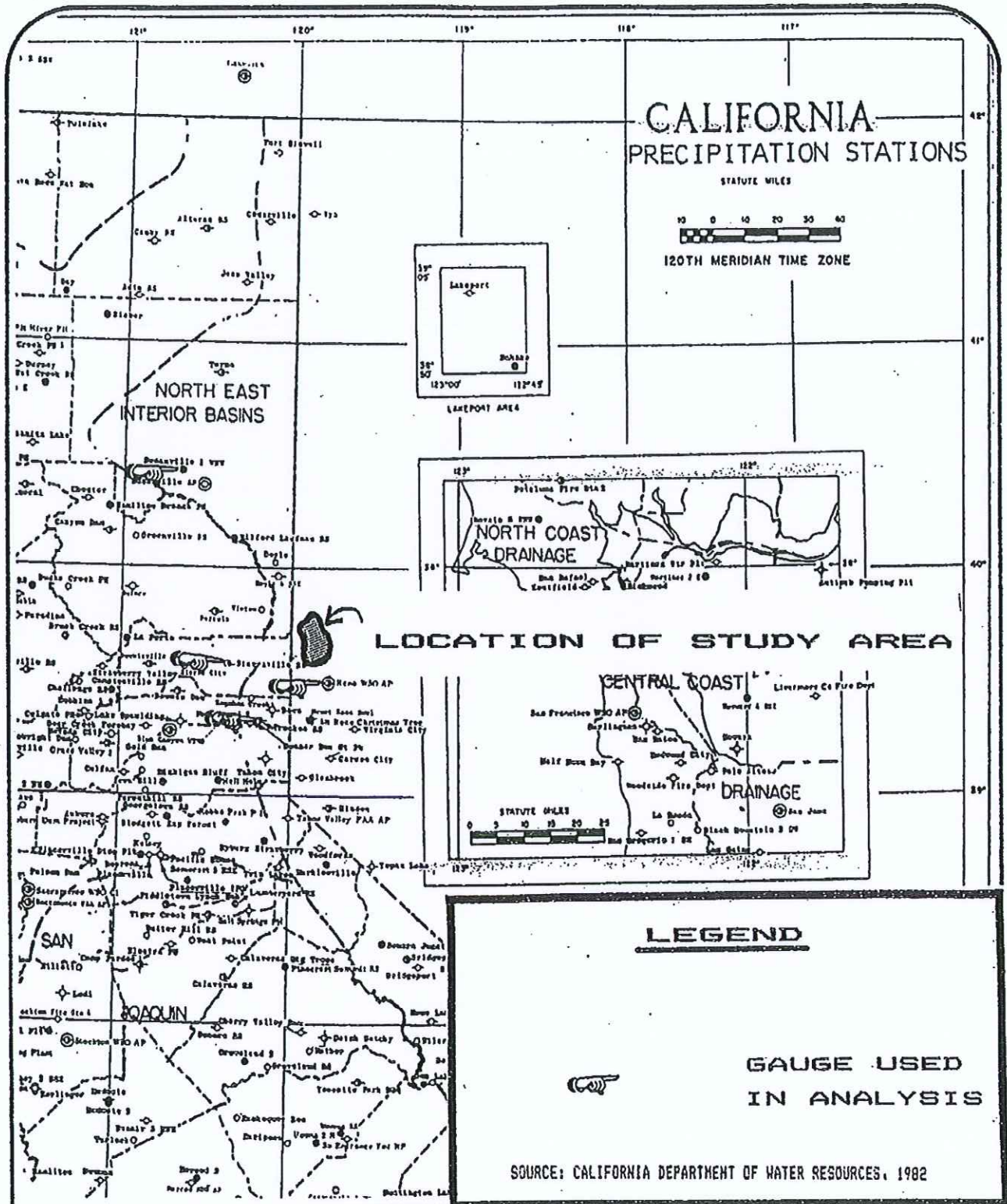
On August 12, 1987, a letter was sent to the NWS office in Reno requesting their input on the problem of accurate information for the study area. The request letter and the response from Ron Olson are contained in Appendix B. This response contains several items of particular interest:

- A. Ron Olson was in agreement with Leonard Crowe, that NOAA Atlas does not accurately represent the orographic and elevation differences that would be experienced in the study area.
- B. Short duration totals do not tend to increase with elevation as much as the long duration precipitation values.
- C. The February 1986 areal distribution pattern is reasonably representative of long duration, winter type of extreme events.
- D. There is a very good possibility of having more than one sizable precipitation event within the watershed during the same season.

7.4 - CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF WATER RESOURCES

The California Department of Water Resources published a report that contained a Log Pearson Type III analysis of each gauge in California and extreme eastern Nevada. There were not any gauges in the study area prior to 1981, but there are several gauges in the surrounding areas that provide very useful information.

The closest gauges that had analysis for both short and long duration events were selected for comparison purposes. Figure 12 is a map identifying the four sites selected. Figure 13 is a plot of the 100 year depth-duration information for four nearby



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FIGURE 12

LOCATION OF GAUGES USED IN COMPARISON OF RAINFALL STATISTICS



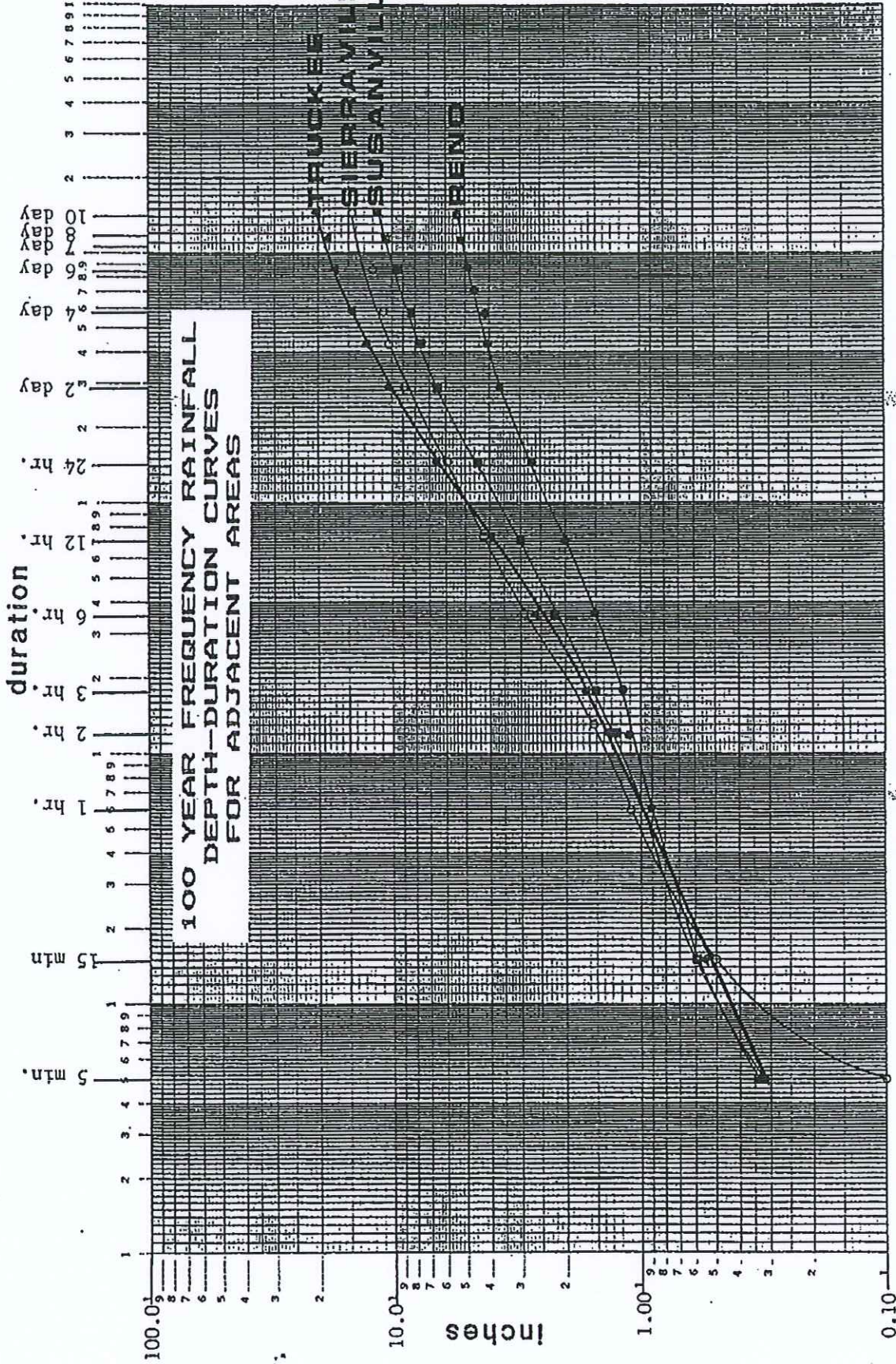


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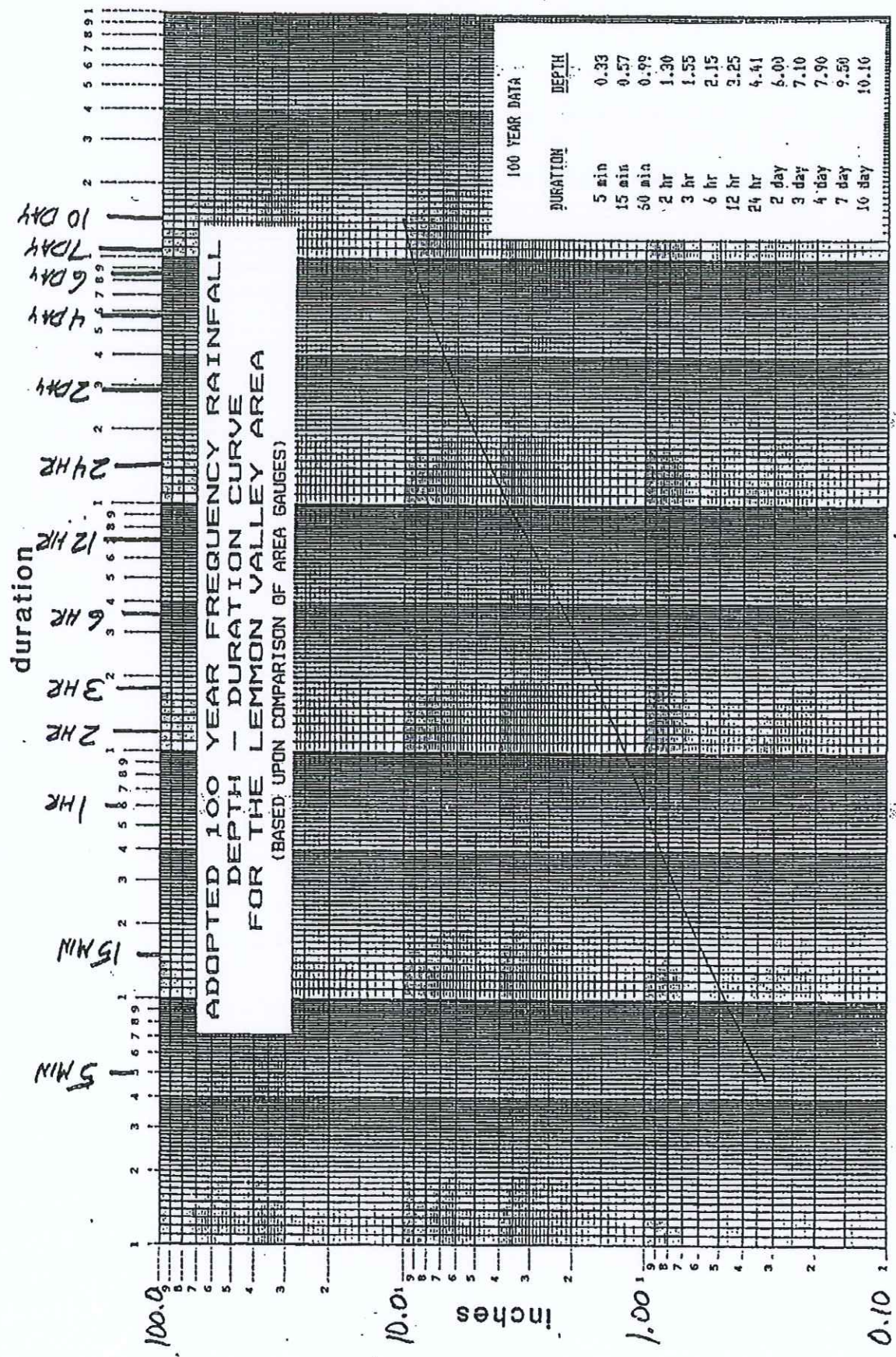


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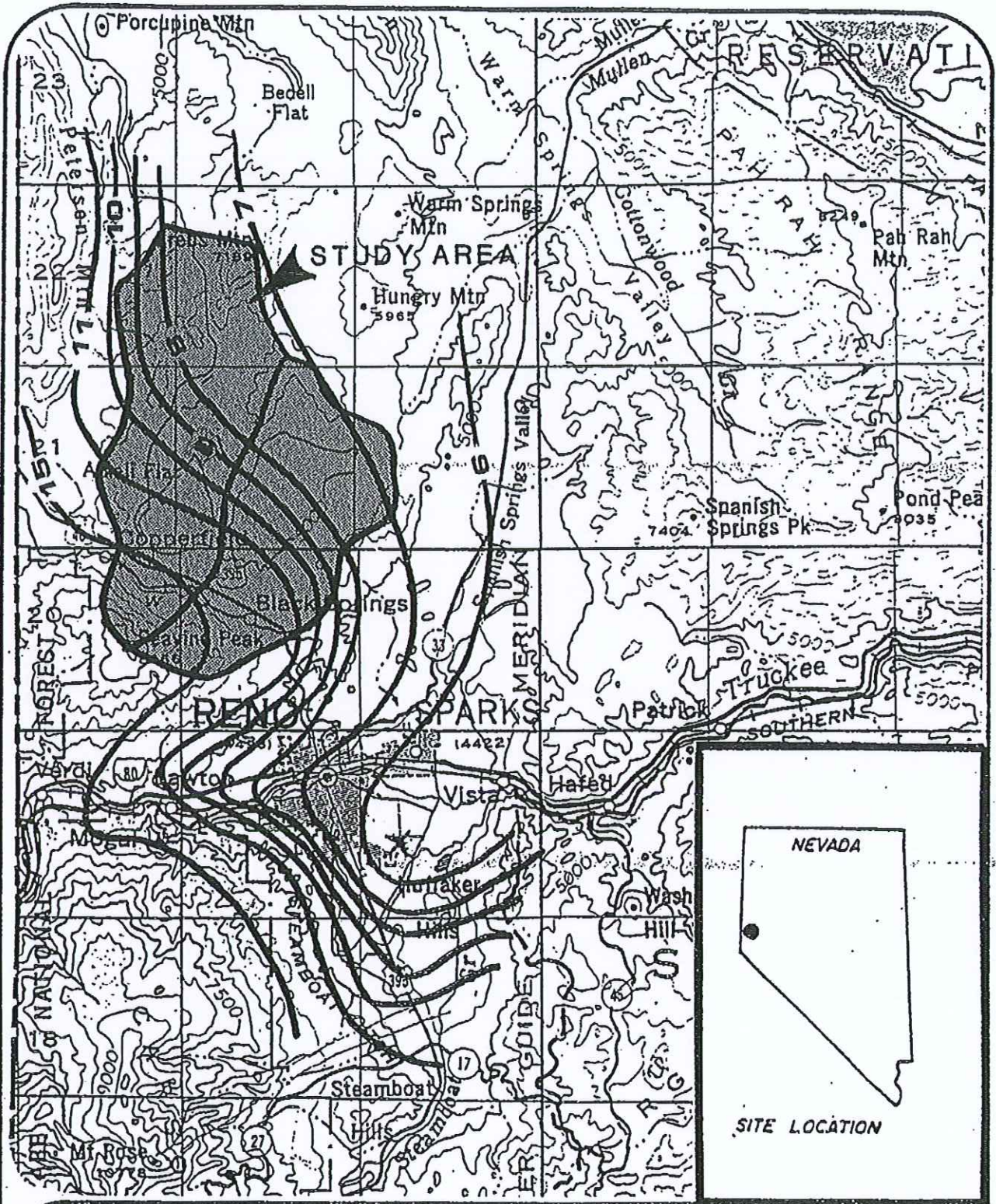
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FIGURE 15

100 YEAR, 10 DAY ISOPLETH MAP

BASED UPON FEBRUARY 1986
 STORM PATTERN

gauges. This graph clearly confirms the comments by Ron Olson summarized in item B of section 7.3. The shorter duration totals do not increase with elevation. Only the long duration totals are increasing with higher elevations.

7.5 - SELECTION OF 100 YEAR, 10 DAY VALUES

Leonard Crowe suggested that a ratio of the February 1986 event totals be applied to the 10 day value for the Reno gauge to obtain a value for the study area. This approach was also discussed with Ron Olson at the NWS who agreed that in absence of more definitive data this approach would provide a more reasonable estimate than the other sources.

Based on a comparison of the similarities and differences of the four sites identified on Figures 12 and 13 and the precipitation pattern and ratios from the February 1986 event, a depth-duration curve was adopted for the study area and is included as Figure 14. Figure 15 is the adopted 100 year, 10 day isopleth map.

8.0 - 100 YEAR LAKE LEVEL ANALYSIS

A HEC-1 model was developed using the initial and constant loss rates that were determined from the calibration model and a hypothetical storm based on the values obtained from Figure 14. The final rainfall total input into the model is a basin wide average based on the aerial distribution from Figure 15. The results of this model should be a reasonable estimate of runoff volumes that would result from a 100 year, 10 day hypothetical storm.

This runoff volume alone would not be representative of a 100 year lake level since there could be some initial storage and the possibility of multiple events in the same season, as was indicated in the comments from the NWS summarized in section 7.3 D. Each of the lakes was tested by incorporating initial storage in each lake that is representative of the volumes produced from 5 to 50 year, 24 hour events. Figure 16 is a graph of the results of this analysis. The HEC-1 model that produced the data for Figure 16 is contained in Appendix C.

The point on the curve that was considered a reasonable estimate of a 100 year lake level based on past events (see Appendix A) is identified on the graph by the heavy line. The resulting water surface elevations for Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley playa are 4966.5 and 4920.3 respectively.

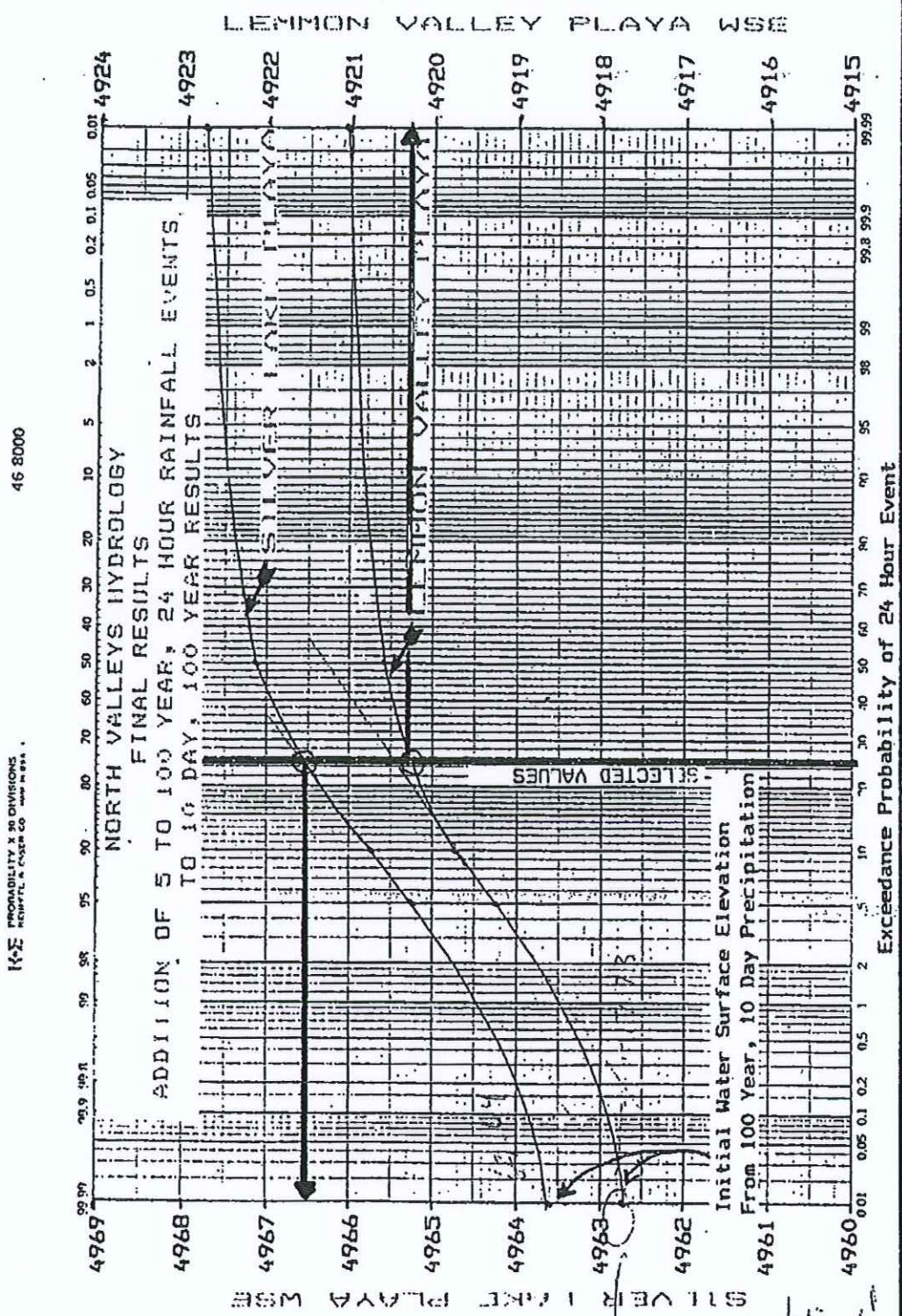


FIGURE 16

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8.1 - OTHER METHODS

Use of the SCS curve number method in this analysis results in a 100 year, 10 day volume and elevations of 17,551 acre feet and 4975.17 for Silver Lake and 16,226 acre feet and 4922.05 for Lemmon Lake. Adding an additional 25 year, 24 hour runoff volume results in elevations of 4977.60 and 4923.60 for Silver Lake and Lemmon Valley respectively. A water surface of 4977.60 in Silver Lake would result in over topping of the topographic divide between the two watersheds. These results are considered to be very unreasonable.

Rainfall on an existing snowpack could also be considered in determination of these lake levels. This possibility was not evaluated in this analysis since there is a relatively small percentage of the total watershed areas above 7000 feet where a persistent snowpack is likely to exist. A large storm on a very heavy snowpack that extends down into the lower elevations is considered to be an event with a greater than one percent chance of occurrence.

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Re: 2006 & 2007 contour data

The 2006 & 2007 2' contour data sets were created based on 0.5' pixel stereo aerial photo pairs and a set of high density survey-grade control points. The tiling scheme is based upon the 1-mile square sections from the U.S. Public Land Survey System. The end products of contours & spot elevations were required to meet the National Mapping Accuracy Standards (NMAS) at a scale of 1" = 100'. The tiles were edge matched, with the exception of few tile's edges where development had occurred between the 2006 and the 2007 aerial flights.

The data have been rigorously checked for both horizontal and vertical positional accuracy using survey-grade GPS field checks in a randomly distributed manner. Well over 90% of the horizontal positions of the checked data for both the 2006 & 2007 data were within the National Mapping Accuracy standard for 1"= 100' mapping scale.

The vertical accuracy for the 2006 & 2007 2' contour data, based on quality checking of 155 spot heights, resulted in 70% of the data within one half of the contour interval (< 1 foot). There were 47 points (30%) that exceeded a 1 foot vertical difference. However, the excessive errors are considered to be the contribution of the discrepancy between the horizontal positions of the field check locations and the map location of the spot heights points. Based on these results, we feel that the 2006 & 2007 2' contour data as a whole, meets the NMAS.

Thomas Lo

A handwritten signature in purple ink that reads "Thomas Lo".

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On behalf of the Washoe County Regional Basemap Committee