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Ms. Linda Bassi
Colorado Water Conservation Board
1313 Sherman Street, Room 721
Denver, Colorado 80203

Dear Ms. Bassi:

The Bureau of Land Management (BLM) is writing this letter to formally communicate its recommendation for instream flow water rights on East Creek, located in Water Division 4.

Location and Land Status. East Creek originates in UnawEEP Canyon, approximately 20 miles south of Grand Junction. East Creek flows into the Gunnison River at Whitewater. This recommendation covers the stream reach of East Creek beginning at the confluence with North East Creek and extends downstream to the confluence with the Gunnison River. This stream reach covers a distance of approximately 5.2 miles. The BLM manages 4.8 miles of this stream reach, while 0.4 miles are in private ownership.

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Averages:			1.73 cfs	1.65 cfs

The BLM's analysis of this data, coordinated with Colorado Parks and Wildlife, indicates that the following flows are needed to protect the fishery and natural environment to a reasonable degree.

Upper Reach – Confluence with North East Creek to headgate of East Creek Ditch.

1.6 cubic feet per second is recommended for the snowmelt runoff period from March 15 through June 30. This recommendation is driven by the average depth criteria. The goal of this recommendation is to provide as much spawning habitat as possible during snowmelt runoff, and meeting the depth criteria ensures that a sufficient amount of usable habitat is available.

0.25 cubic feet per second is recommended for the base flow period between July 1 and March 14. This flow rate should maintain pools and preventing icing, which is important for the fish that inhabit the creek on a year-round basis.

Lower Reach – Headgate of East Creek Ditch to confluence with Gunnison River.

1.6 cubic feet per second is recommended for the snowmelt runoff period from March 15 through May 31. This recommendation is driven by the average depth criteria. The goal of this recommendation is to provide fish passage to the upper reach and provide as much spawning habitat as possible during snowmelt runoff. Meeting the depth criteria ensures that a sufficient amount of usable habitat is available for fish passage.

No recommendation is made for the remainder of the year in this stream reach, because it appears that there is insufficient water availability to support an instream flow recommendation.

The BLM believes that cross sections collected above the headgate of the East Creek Ditch are applicable to the portion of the creek for the following reasons:

- The size (cross sectional area) of East Creek channel is largely driven by peak flow at snowmelt runoff. The section of the stream below East Creek Ditch should see approximately the same flows as above the ditch, even

with the diversions that occur during snowmelt runoff. Accordingly, the cross sectional area of the channel above and below the ditch should be roughly equivalent.

- There is the possibility that the stream below the ditch is wider and shallower than above the ditch, because the lowest portion of the creek is on the alluvial plain of the Gunnison River. In this part of the creek, there isn't extensive bedrock to constrain the lateral extension of the channel. If that is the case, then R2Cross measurements taken above the ditch in the confined section of the creek would provide conservative instream flow recommendations for the lower part of creek. A flow that meets the depth criteria in the upper, confined part of the creek may not meet the depth criteria in the lower, less confined part of the creek where the channel may be wider. However, the recommended flow rates would still allow for passage of native fishes during the snowmelt runoff season.

Water Availability. The BLM is not aware of any stream gage data for this creek. Gages from elsewhere on the Uncompahgre Plateau are not usable for comparison purposes because those gages are seriously affected by irrigation diversion or return flows and do not reflect natural hydrology. Similarly, the StreamStats package developed jointly between the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and the Colorado Water Conservation Board (CWCBC) has limited applicability on this creek because of the losing nature of the stream. During low flow periods, the flow in the creek is almost entirely dependent upon inflow from North East Creek, a major tributary.

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Finally, it is important to note that the CWCB appropriated an instream flow water right on North East Creek in 2004. This creek provides substantial inflow to East Creek.

Relationship to Land Management Plans. The Grand Junction Field Office draft Resource Management Plan includes the following common goals, objectives and management actions focused on management of water resource values.

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If you have any questions regarding our instream flow recommendation, please contact Roy Smith, Water Rights Specialist, at (303) 239-3940.

Sincerely,



Leigh D. Espy
Deputy State Director, Resources and Fire

cc: Jim Cagney, NW District
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DRAFT INSTREAM FLOW RECOMMENDATION

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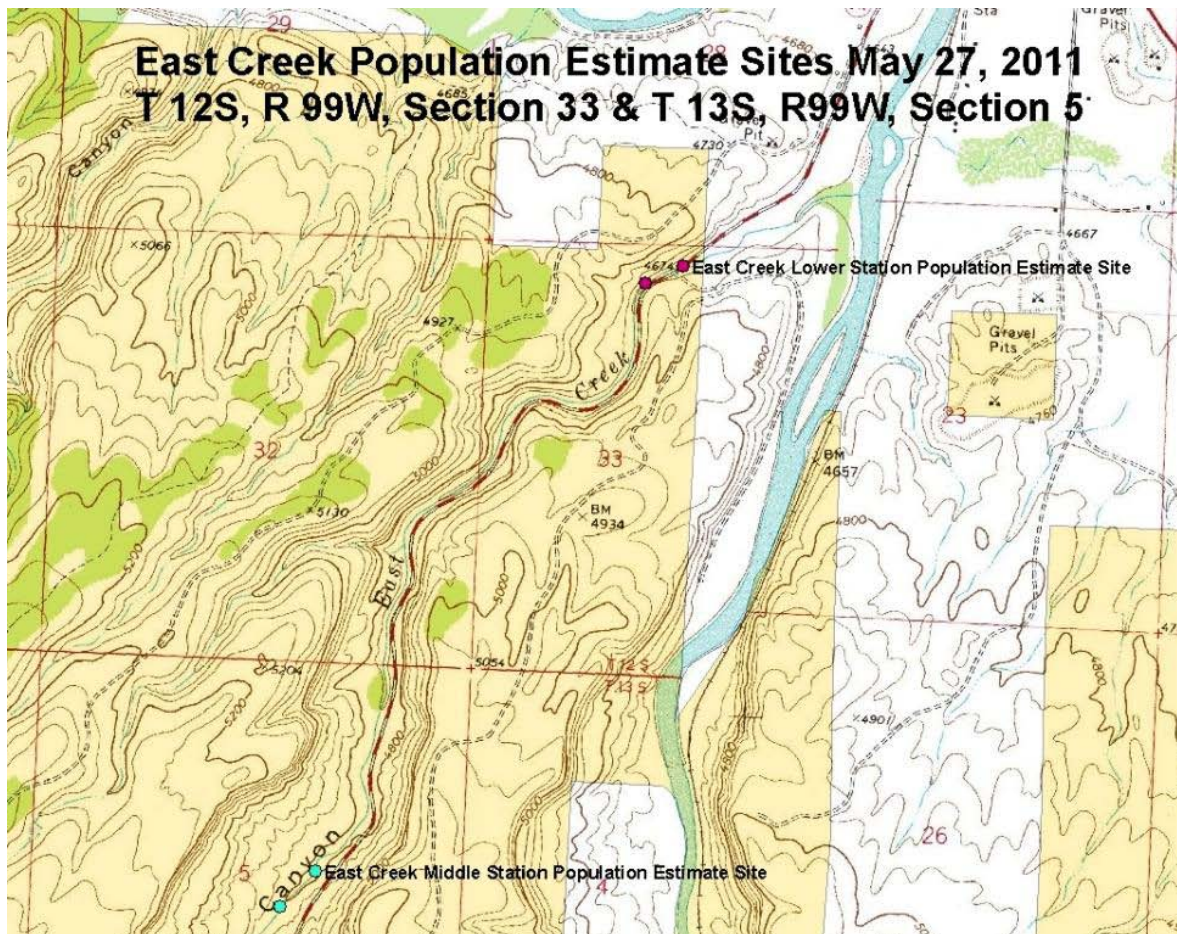
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Cc: Catherine Robertson, Grand Junction FO
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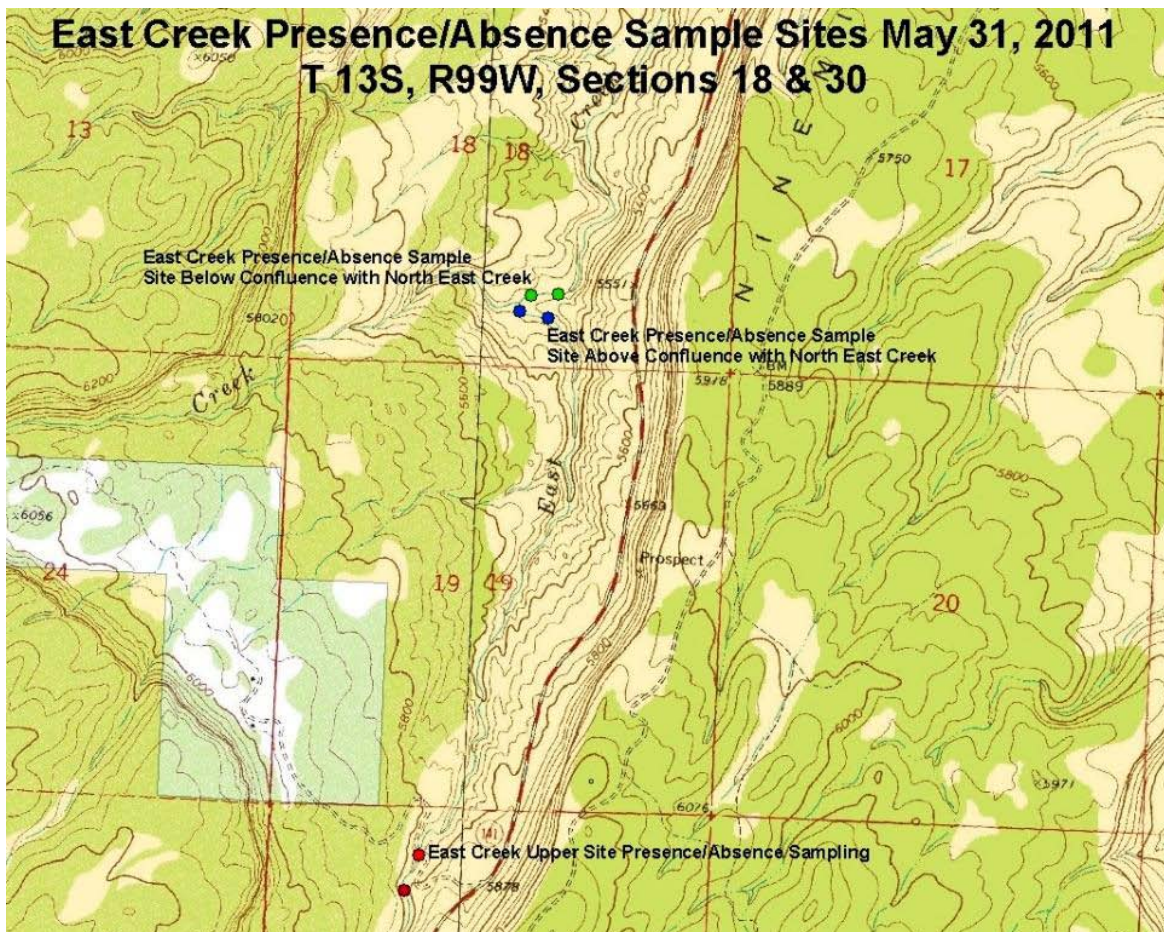
Grand Junction Field Office Stream Surveys June 2011

East Creek - Water Code #46498

East creek, located southwest of Whitewater, Colorado on lands managed by the BLM's Grand Junction Field Office, was sampled on May 27 and 31, 2011. East Creek is tributary to the Gunnison River. Five reaches of stream were sampled using 2-3 backpack electroshockers working side by side. A two-pass removal population estimate was conducted at the two lowest sites. Presence/absence sampling was conducted at the upper three sites, and each was approximately 300 feet in length. A second pass was not completed at the upper sites because only speckled dace were collected or seen. Sampling was conducted to determine fishery status and to look specifically for spring spawning use of the creek by select native fish (flannelmouth suckers, bluehead suckers, and roundtail chubs). The upper sites were sampled to determine upper distribution of these fish. Flannelmouth suckers, bluehead suckers, speckled dace, and white suckers were collected and observed in the lower and middle stations. Personnel present included Tom Fresques, Gregor Dekleva, BLM, and Jenn Logan, Kevin Thompson, Colorado Division of Wildlife.



East Creek Presence/Absence Sample Sites May 31, 2011
T 13S, R99W, Sections 18 & 30





East Creek, Lower Site



East Creek, Middle Site



East Creek, Upper Site



Debris from flooding in East Creek, Upper Site



East Creek, site just below confluence with North East Creek



East Creek, site just above the confluence with North East Creek



Crew sampling East Creek



Bluehead Sucker with spawning coloration



Bluehead Sucker



Speckled Dace with spawning coloration

Discussion:

Five reaches of East Creek were sampled over a two day period to document adult spawning use by select native fish species (roundtail chub, bluehead sucker, and flannemouth sucker). It was assumed that during spring flows adult fish would move out of the Gunnison River and into East Creek to spawn.

Adult bluehead suckers and flannemouth suckers were present in the lower two sites. White suckers were also present in lesser amounts. Two pass removal estimates were conducted at these two sites. The majority of fish collected were in spawning condition. Based on sampling it was apparent that bluehead suckers preferred areas of higher water velocity over cobble and gravel substrates.

The upper three sites on East Creek only contained speckled dace, and presence/absence sampling was conducted. Due to the lack of three species fish in these upper reaches it is likely that a barrier is located between the two lower sites and the three upper sites. Several northern leopard frogs were noted and a large population appears to exist within the upper reaches of this stream. Jenn Logan, Colorado Parks and Wildlife, has the raw fish data with length and weights.

Riparian vegetation was dense and lush along the majority of the stream. Riparian plant species noted included several age classes of narrowleaf and Freemont cottonwood trees, at least two different willow species, sedges, rushes, cattails, horsetail, and some non-natives including smooth brome and tamarisk.

During sampling, flows were high and fast and the water was off color as expected. This made sampling difficult and several large fish were missed at the lower and middle stations and were likely bluehead and flannemouth suckers. The substrate varied along the stream consisting mainly of sand, silt, and cobbles. In the highest reach there were large boulders within the channel, creating large deep pools and pour-overs. The drainage seems prone to flash flooding per evidence of debris higher in the trees along the stream. The majority of the flow in East Creek came from North East Creek and above the confluence the flow was substantially reduced.

Recommendations:

- Determine the upper distribution of three species fish via additional sampling
- Determine if a barrier is present between the middle site and the confluence with North East Creek
- Consider sampling at other times of year to look for young of year and juvenile native fishes.
- Consider treatment of nonnative riparian vegetation
- Determine the extent of the northern leopard frog population



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FIELD DATA FOR INSTREAM FLOW DETERMINATIONS



LOCATION INFORMATION

STREAM NAME: <u>East Creek</u>								CROSS-SECTION NO.: <u>1</u>	
CROSS-SECTION LOCATION: <u>1.25 miles upstream from conf. w/ Gunnison R.</u>									
DATE: <u>5-15-12</u>		OBSERVERS: <u>R. Smith, N. Dietrich</u>							
LEGAL DESCRIPTION	1/4 SECTION: <u>NE</u>	SECTION: <u>33</u>	TOWNSHIP: <u>12 N</u>	RANGE: <u>99 E</u>	PM: <u>South</u>				
COUNTY: <u>Mesa</u>	WATERSHED: <u>Gunnison</u>		WATER DIVISION: <u>4</u>		DOW WATER CODE: <u>21369</u>				
MAP(S):	USGS: <u>719352</u>				USFS: <u>4316405</u>				

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

SAG TAPE SECTION SAME AS DISCHARGE SECTION:	YES/NO	METER TYPE: <u>M-M</u>		
METER NUMBER:	DATE RATED:	CALIB/SPIN: _____ sec	TAPE WEIGHT: <u>surveyed</u> lbs/foot	TAPE TENSION: <u>surveyed</u> lbs
CHANNEL BED MATERIAL SIZE RANGE: <u>gravel to 1-foot boulders</u>		PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN: <u>YES</u>	NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPHS: <u>3</u>	

CHANNEL PROFILE DATA

STATION	DISTANCE FROM TAPE (ft)	ROD READING (ft)	SKETCH 	LEGEND:
⊗ Tape @ Stake LB	0.0	<u>surveyed</u>		Stake ⊗
⊗ Tape @ Stake RB	0.0	<u>surveyed</u>		Station ⊙
① WS @ Tape LB/RB	0.0	<u>11.89 / 11.94</u>		Photo ⊠
② WS Upstream	<u>77.0</u>	<u>11.30</u>		Direction of Flow
③ WS Downstream	<u>37.0</u>	<u>12.26</u>		
SLOPE: <u>0.94 / 114.0 = .0082</u>				

AQUATIC SAMPLING SUMMARY

STREAM ELECTROFISHED: <u>YES</u>	DISTANCE ELECTROFISHED: _____ ft	FISH CAUGHT: YES/NO	WATER CHEMISTRY SAMPLED: <u>YES</u>															
LENGTH - FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION BY ONE-INCH SIZE GROUPS (1.0-1.9, 2.0-2.9, ETC.)																		
SPECIES (FILL IN)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	>15	TOTAL	
AQUATIC INSECTS IN STREAM SECTION BY COMMON OR SCIENTIFIC ORDER NAME:																		
<u>caddisfly, mayfly</u>																		

COMMENTS

<u>ph = 8.76</u>	<u>Cottonwood - willow - sumac</u>
<u>Temp = 24.0°C</u>	<u>riparian</u>
<u>Cond = 527</u>	
<u>Salinity = 0.3</u>	

DISCHARGE/CROSS SECTION NOTES

[illegible]

COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
INSTREAM FLOW / NATURAL LAKE LEVEL PROGRAM
STREAM CROSS-SECTION AND FLOW ANALYSIS

LOCATION INFORMATION

STREAM NAME: East Creek
XS LOCATION: 1.25 miles upstream from Gunnison R.
XS NUMBER: 1

DATE: 15-May-12
OBSERVERS: R. Smith, N. Dieterich

1/4 SEC: NE
SECTION: 33
TWP: 12S
RANGE: 99W
PM: Sixth

COUNTY: Mesa
WATERSHED: Gunnison River
DIVISION: 4
DOW CODE: 21369

USGS MAP: 0
USFS MAP: 0

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

*** NOTE ***

Leave TAPE WT and TENSION
at defaults for data collected
with a survey level and rod

TAPE WT: 0.0106
TENSION: 99999

CHANNEL PROFILE DATA

SLOPE: 0.0082

INPUT DATA CHECKED BY:DATE.....

ASSIGNED TO:DATE.....

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DATA POINTS= 41

VALUES COMPUTED FROM RAW FIELD DATA

FEATURE	DIST	VERT DEPTH	WATER DEPTH	VEL
LS	1.00	8.17		
1 G	5.00	9.53		
	6.00	10.00		
	7.00	10.55		
	8.00	11.15		
W	8.70	11.89	0.00	0.00
	9.00	11.95	0.05	0.35
	9.30	12.00	0.10	0.01
	9.60	12.00	0.10	0.01
	9.90	12.00	0.10	0.00
	10.20	11.90	0.00	0.00
	10.50	12.00	0.10	0.65
	10.80	12.00	0.10	0.67
	11.10	12.05	0.15	0.72
	11.40	12.05	0.15	0.59
	11.70	11.90	0.00	0.00
	12.00	12.05	0.15	0.65
	12.30	12.00	0.10	1.21
	12.60	12.15	0.25	1.93
	12.90	12.10	0.20	0.94
	13.20	12.10	0.20	0.81
	13.50	12.15	0.25	1.14
	13.80	12.15	0.25	1.20
	14.10	12.15	0.25	0.28
	14.40	12.15	0.25	0.00
	14.70	12.25	0.35	0.40
	15.00	12.25	0.35	1.05
	15.30	12.20	0.30	0.93
	15.60	12.25	0.35	0.92
	15.80	12.10	0.20	0.13
W	15.90	11.94	0.00	0.00
	16.50	11.42		
	17.00	11.10		
	18.00	11.08		
	20.00	10.56		
	21.00	10.01		
1 G	22.00	9.50		
	23.00	8.65		
	24.00	7.87		
	25.00	6.98		
RS	25.70	6.81		

WETTED PERIM.	WATER DEPTH	AREA (Am)	Q (Qm)	% Q CELL
0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.31	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.6%
0.30	0.10	0.03	0.00	0.0%
0.30	0.10	0.03	0.00	0.0%
0.30	0.10	0.03	0.00	0.0%
0.32		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.32	0.10	0.03	0.02	2.1%
0.30	0.10	0.03	0.02	2.1%
0.30	0.15	0.05	0.03	3.5%
0.30	0.15	0.05	0.03	2.8%
0.34		0.00	0.00	0.0%
0.34	0.15	0.05	0.03	3.1%
0.30	0.10	0.03	0.04	3.9%
0.34	0.25	0.08	0.14	15.5%
0.30	0.20	0.06	0.06	6.0%
0.30	0.20	0.06	0.05	5.2%
0.30	0.25	0.08	0.09	9.1%
0.30	0.25	0.08	0.09	9.6%
0.30	0.25	0.08	0.02	2.2%
0.30	0.25	0.08	0.00	0.0%
0.32	0.35	0.11	0.04	4.5%
0.30	0.35	0.11	0.11	11.8%
0.30	0.30	0.09	0.08	8.9%
0.30	0.35	0.09	0.08	8.6%
0.25	0.20	0.03	0.00	0.4%
0.19		0.00	0.00	0.0%
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TOTALS -----

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 (Max.)

Manning's n = 0.0537
 Hydraulic Radius= 0.16503948

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WATER LINE COMPARISON TABLE

WATER LINE	MEAS AREA	COMP AREA	AREA ERROR
	1.24	1.10	-11.2%
11.67	1.24	2.96	138.5%
11.69	1.24	2.81	126.2%
11.71	1.24	2.66	113.8%
11.73	1.24	2.50	101.6%
11.75	1.24	2.35	89.4%
11.77	1.24	2.20	77.3%
11.79	1.24	2.05	65.2%
11.81	1.24	1.90	53.2%
11.83	1.24	1.76	41.3%
11.85	1.24	1.61	29.5%
11.87	1.24	1.46	17.7%
11.88	1.24	1.39	11.8%
11.89	1.24	1.32	6.0%
11.90	1.24	1.24	0.1%
11.91	1.24	1.17	-5.6%
11.92	1.24	1.10	-11.2%
11.93	1.24	1.04	-16.7%
11.94	1.24	0.97	-22.0%
11.95	1.24	0.90	-27.2%
11.96	1.24	0.84	-32.3%
11.97	1.24	0.78	-37.2%
11.99	1.24	0.66	-46.7%
12.01	1.24	0.56	-54.9%
12.03	1.24	0.47	-61.8%
12.05	1.24	0.40	-68.1%
12.07	1.24	0.33	-73.6%
12.09	1.24	0.26	-79.0%
12.11	1.24	0.20	-84.0%
12.13	1.24	0.14	-88.4%
12.15	1.24	0.10	-92.2%
12.17	1.24	0.07	-94.3%

WATERLINE AT ZERO

AREA ERROR = 11.900

STREAM NAME: East Creek
 XS LOCATION: 1.25 miles upstream from Gunnison R.
 XS NUMBER: 1

Constant Manning's n

GL = lowest Grassline elevation corrected for sag

STAGING TABLE

WL = Waterline corrected for variations in field measured water surface elevations and sag

	DIST TO WATER (FT)	TOP WIDTH (FT)	AVG. DEPTH (FT)	MAX. DEPTH (FT)	AREA (SQ FT)	WETTED PERIM. (FT)	PERCENT WET PERIM (%)	HYDR RADIUS (FT)	FLOW (CFS)	AVG. VELOCITY (FT/SEC)
GL	9.53	16.94	1.73	2.72	29.28	18.61	100.0%	1.57	99.21	3.39
	10.90	11.11	0.88	1.35	9.83	12.13	65.2%	0.81	21.39	2.18
	10.95	10.83	0.86	1.30	9.28	11.84	63.6%	0.78	19.76	2.13
	11.00	10.56	0.83	1.25	8.74	11.54	62.0%	0.76	18.20	2.08
	11.05	10.28	0.80	1.20	8.22	11.25	60.4%	0.73	16.72	2.03
	11.10	9.08	0.85	1.15	7.72	10.03	53.9%	0.77	16.26	2.10
	11.15	8.92	0.82	1.10	7.27	9.84	52.9%	0.74	14.90	2.05
	11.20	8.80	0.78	1.05	6.83	9.68	52.0%	0.71	13.57	1.99
	11.25	8.67	0.74	1.00	6.40	9.52	51.1%	0.67	12.29	1.92
	11.30	8.55	0.70	0.95	5.96	9.36	50.3%	0.64	11.07	1.86
	11.35	8.42	0.66	0.90	5.54	9.19	49.4%	0.60	9.90	1.79
	11.40	8.29	0.62	0.85	5.12	9.03	48.5%	0.57	8.79	1.72
	11.45	8.18	0.58	0.80	4.71	8.88	47.7%	0.53	7.73	1.64
	11.50	8.08	0.53	0.75	4.30	8.74	46.9%	0.49	6.73	1.56
	11.55	7.97	0.49	0.70	3.90	8.59	46.2%	0.45	5.78	1.48
	11.60	7.87	0.45	0.65	3.51	8.45	45.4%	0.42	4.89	1.39
	11.65	7.76	0.40	0.60	3.12	8.30	44.6%	0.38	4.06	1.30
	11.70	7.66	0.36	0.55	2.73	8.16	43.8%	0.33	3.30	1.21
	11.75	7.55	0.31	0.50	2.35	8.01	43.0%	0.29	2.60	1.11
	11.80	7.45	0.27	0.45	1.98	7.87	42.3%	0.25	1.97	1.00
	11.85	7.34	0.22	0.40	1.61	7.72	41.5%	0.21	1.41	0.88
WL	11.90	7.19	0.17	0.35	1.24	7.53	40.5%	0.16	0.94	0.75
	11.95	6.39	0.14	0.30	0.90	6.67	35.8%	0.14	0.60	0.66
	12.00	4.66	0.13	0.25	0.60	4.86	26.1%	0.12	0.38	0.62
	12.05	3.43	0.12	0.20	0.39	3.56	19.2%	0.11	0.23	0.58
	12.10	3.00	0.08	0.15	0.23	3.09	16.6%	0.07	0.10	0.44
	12.15	1.33	0.07	0.10	0.10	1.39	7.5%	0.07	0.04	0.42
	12.20	1.11	0.03	0.05	0.04	1.15	6.2%	0.03	0.01	0.25

STREAM NAME: East Creek
XS LOCATION: 1.25 miles upstream from Gunnison R.
XS NUMBER: 1

SUMMARY SHEET

MEASURED FLOW (Qm)=	0.94 cfs
CALCULATED FLOW (Qc)=	0.94 cfs
(Qm-Qc)/Qm * 100 =	0.1 %
MEASURED WATERLINE (WLm)=	11.92 ft
CALCULATED WATERLINE (WLc)=	11.90 ft
(WLm-WLc)/WLm * 100 =	0.2 %
MAX MEASURED DEPTH (Dm)=	0.35 ft
MAX CALCULATED DEPTH (Dc)=	0.35 ft
(Dm-Dc)/Dm * 100	0.1 %
MEAN VELOCITY=	0.75 ft/sec
MANNING'S N=	0.054
SLOPE=	0.0082 ft/ft
.4 * Qm =	0.4 cfs
2.5 * Qm=	2.3 cfs

RECOMMENDED INSTREAM FLOW:
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FLOW (CFS)	PERIOD
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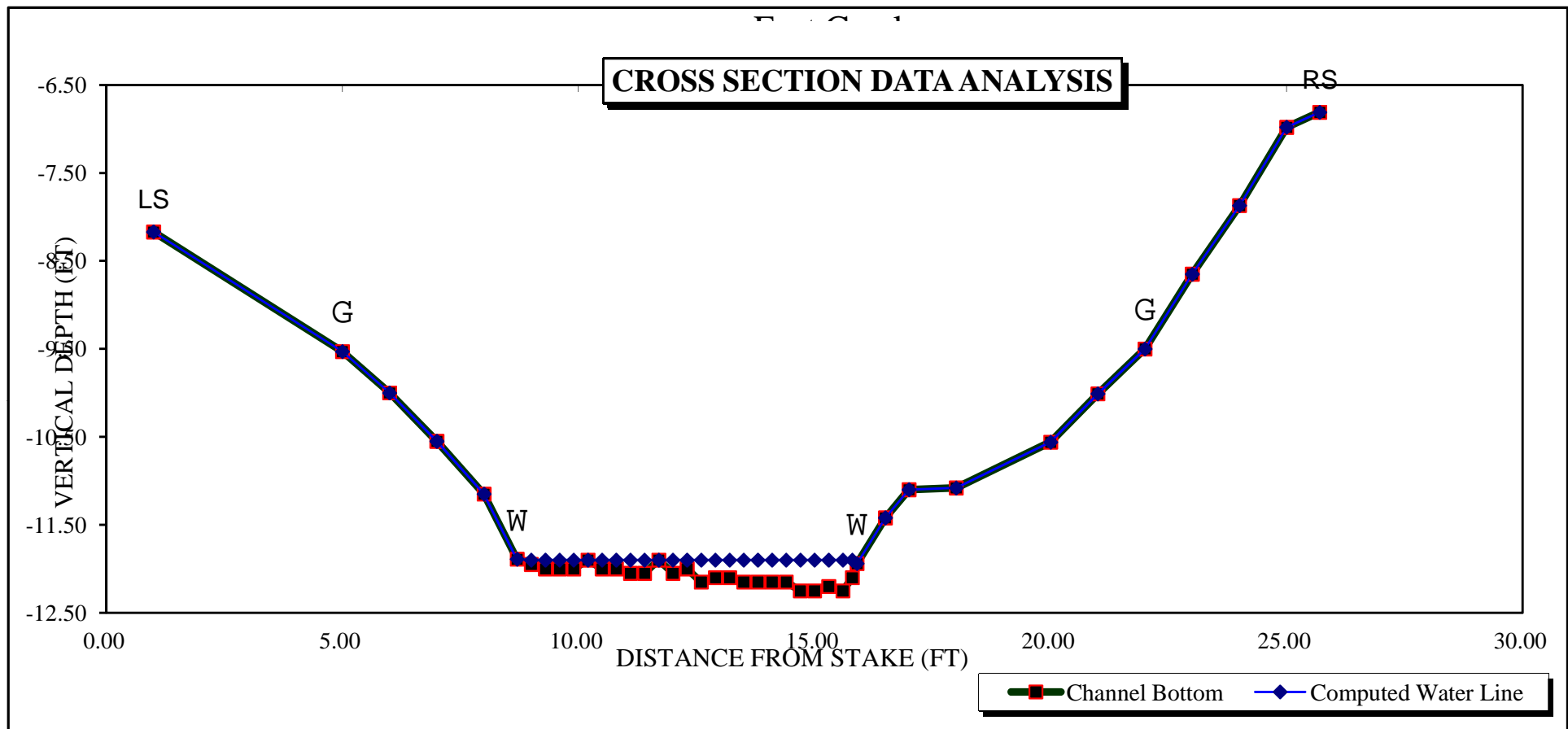
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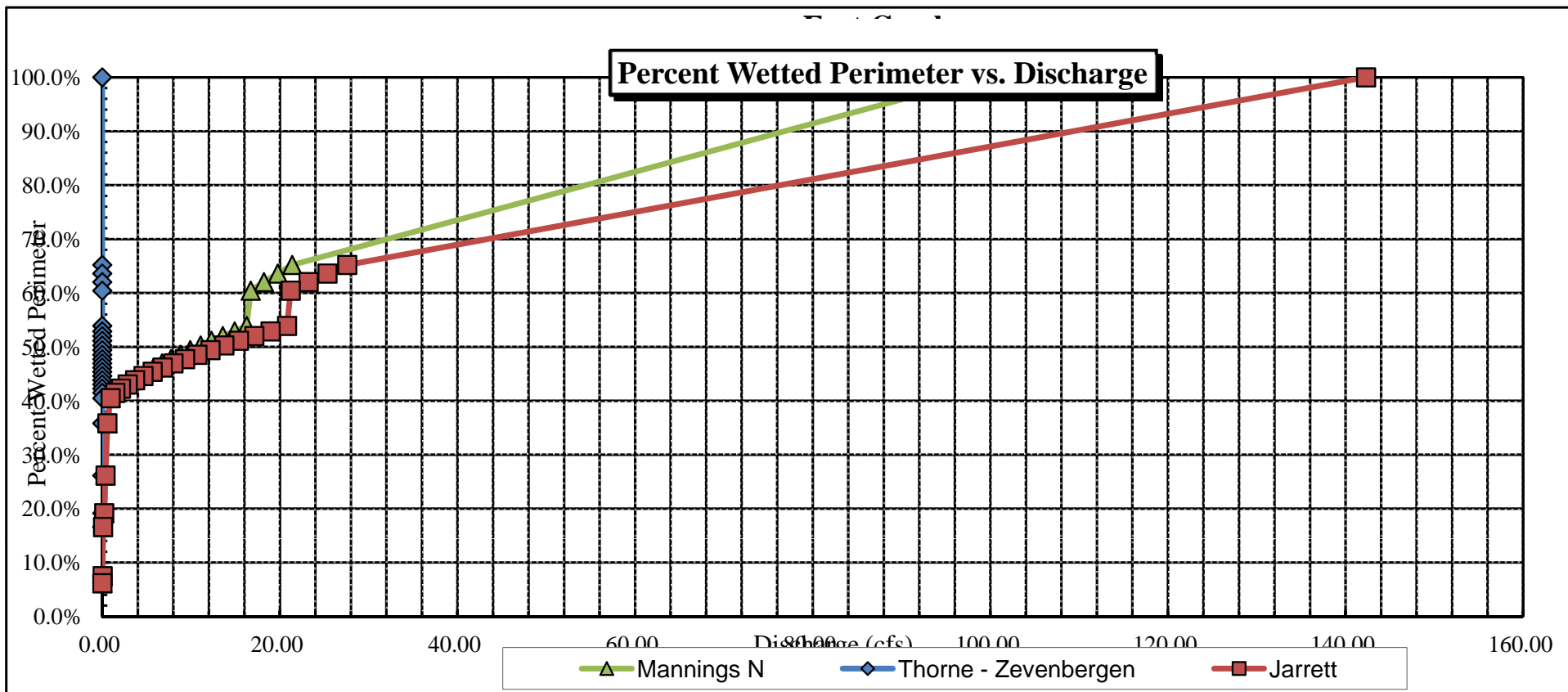
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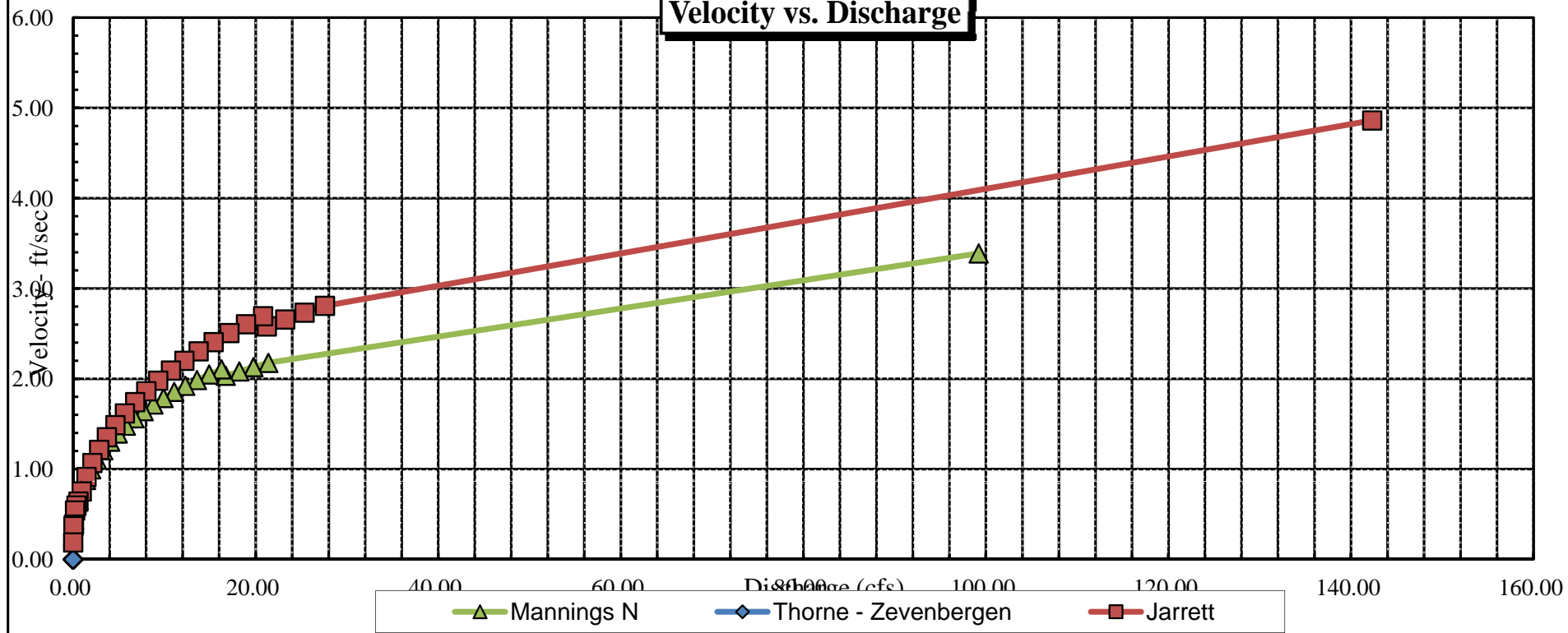
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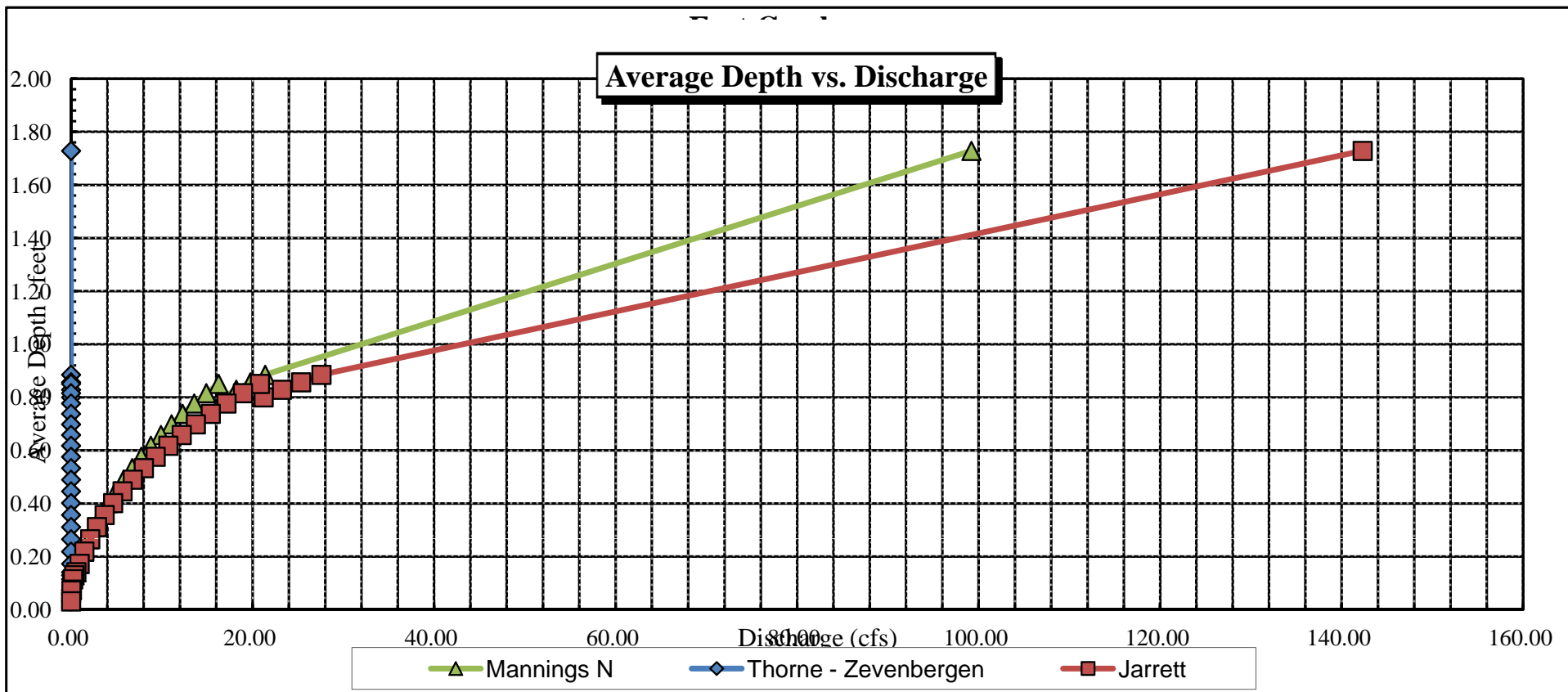
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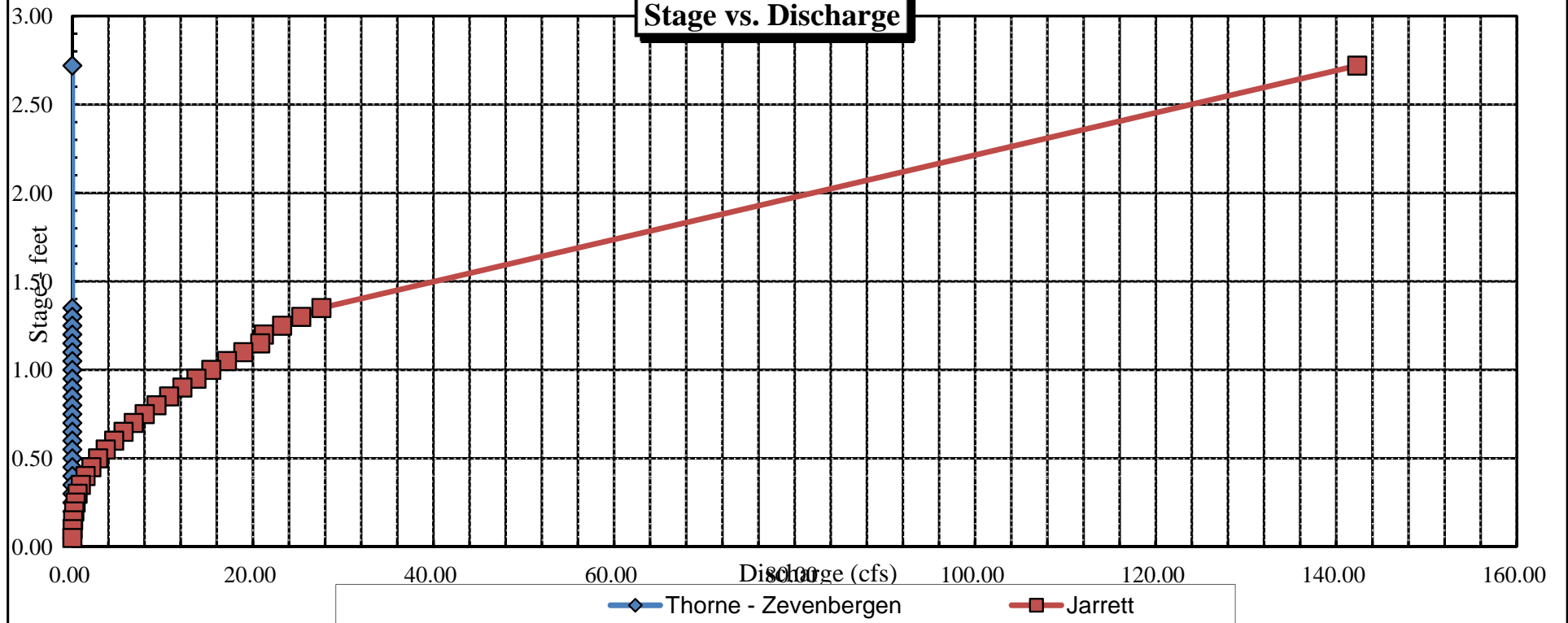


Velocity vs. Discharge





Stage vs. Discharge





COLORADO WATER
CONSERVATION BOARD

FIELD DATA
FOR
INSTREAM FLOW DETERMINATIONS



LOCATION INFORMATION

STREAM NAME: <u>East Creek</u>		CROSS-SECTION NO.: <u>2</u>
CROSS-SECTION LOCATION: <u>1.25 miles upstream from conf. w/ Gunnison River</u>		
DATE: <u>5-15-12</u>	OBSERVERS: <u>R. Smith, N. Dieterich</u>	
LEGAL DESCRIPTION	1/4 SECTION: <u>NE</u>	SECTION: <u>33</u>
	TOWNSHIP: <u>12 N/S</u>	RANGE: <u>99 E/W</u>
COUNTY: <u>Mesa</u>	WATERSHED: <u>Gunnison</u>	WATER DIVISION: <u>4</u>
		DOW WATER CODE: <u>21369</u>
MAP(S):	USGS: <u>GS Zone 12 719498</u>	USFS: <u>4316367</u>

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

SAG TAPE SECTION SAME AS DISCHARGE SECTION: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	METER TYPE: <u>M-M</u>			
METER NUMBER:	DATE RATED:	CALIB/SPIN: _____ sec	TAPE WEIGHT: <u>surveyed</u> lbs/foot	TAPE TENSION: <u>surveyed</u> lbs
CHANNEL BED MATERIAL SIZE RANGE: <u>4" cobbles to 1-foot boulders</u>	PHOTOGRAPHS TAKEN: <input checked="" type="radio"/> YES <input type="radio"/> NO	NUMBER OF PHOTOGRAPHS: <u>3</u>		

CHANNEL PROFILE DATA

STATION	DISTANCE FROM TAPE (ft)	ROD READING (ft)
(X) Tape @ Stake LB	0.0	<u>Surveyed</u>
(X) Tape @ Stake RB	0.0	<u>Surveyed</u>
(1) WS @ Tape LB/RB	0.0	<u>9.45/9.45</u>
(2) WS Upstream	<u>84.0</u>	<u>10.19</u>
(3) WS Downstream	<u>60.0</u>	<u>8.92</u>
SLOPE	<u>1.27 / 144.0 = .0088</u>	

SKETCH

10.83-bed
9.33-bed

LEGEND:

Stake (X)

Station (1)

Photo (1)

Direction of Flow (curved arrow)

AQUATIC SAMPLING SUMMARY

STREAM ELECTROFISHED: YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>	DISTANCE ELECTROFISHED: _____ ft	FISH CAUGHT YES/NO	WATER CHEMISTRY SAMPLED: YES <input checked="" type="radio"/> NO <input type="radio"/>														
LENGTH - FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION BY ONE-INCH SIZE GROUPS (1.0-1.9, 2.0-2.9, ETC.)																	
SPECIES (FILL IN)	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	>15	TOTAL
AQUATIC INSECTS IN STREAM SECTION BY COMMON OR SCIENTIFIC ORDER NAME:																	
<u>caddisfly, mayfly</u>																	

COMMENTS

<u>pH = 8.76</u>
<u>Temp = 24.0 °C</u>
<u>Cond = 527</u>
<u>Salinity = 0.3</u>

DISCHARGE/CROSS SECTION NOTES

East Creek

2

DATE: 5-15-12

SHEET ____ OF ____

EDGE OF WATER LOOKING DOWNSTREAM:
(0.0 AT STAKE)

Gage Reading:

_____ft

TIME:

3:30 pm

[illegible]

COLORADO WATER CONSERVATION BOARD
INSTREAM FLOW / NATURAL LAKE LEVEL PROGRAM
STREAM CROSS-SECTION AND FLOW ANALYSIS

LOCATION INFORMATION

STREAM NAME: East Creek
XS LOCATION: Approx. 1.25 upstream fr Gunnison R.
XS NUMBER: 2

DATE: 15-May-12
OBSERVERS: R. Smith, N. Dieterich

1/4 SEC: NE
SECTION: 33
TWP: 12S
RANGE: 99W
PM: Sixth

COUNTY: Mesa
WATERSHED: Gunnison River
DIVISION: 4
DOW CODE: 21369

USGS MAP: 0
USFS MAP: 0

SUPPLEMENTAL DATA

*** NOTE ***

Leave TAPE WT and TENSION
at defaults for data collected
with a survey level and rod

TAPE WT: 0.0106
TENSION: 99999

CHANNEL PROFILE DATA

SLOPE: 0.0088

INPUT DATA CHECKED BY:DATE.....

ASSIGNED TO:DATE.....

STREAM NAME: East Creek
 XS LOCATION: Approx. 1.25 upstream fr Gunnison R.
 XS NUMBER: 2

DATA POINTS= 34

VALUES COMPUTED FROM RAW FIELD DATA

FEATURE	DIST	VERT DEPTH	WATER DEPTH	VEL	WETTED PERIM.	WATER DEPTH	AREA (Am)	Q (Qm)	% Q CELL
LS	0.00	6.65			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	1.00	6.66			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
1 G	2.50	7.41			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	3.00	7.92			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
W	4.00	9.09			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	4.60	9.45	0.00	0.00	0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	4.90	9.50	0.05	0.00	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.0%
	5.20	9.50	0.05	0.00	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.0%
	5.50	9.50	0.05	0.00	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.00	0.0%
	5.80	9.50	0.05	0.34	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.7%
	6.10	9.50	0.05	0.42	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.01	0.8%
	6.40	9.50	0.05	0.59	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.01	1.1%
	6.70	9.65	0.20	0.43	0.34	0.20	0.06	0.03	3.3%
	7.00	9.70	0.25	0.99	0.30	0.25	0.08	0.07	9.6%
	7.30	9.70	0.25	0.84	0.30	0.25	0.08	0.06	8.1%
	7.60	9.75	0.30	0.44	0.30	0.30	0.09	0.04	5.1%
	7.90	9.75	0.30	0.91	0.30	0.30	0.09	0.08	10.6%
	8.20	9.70	0.25	0.97	0.30	0.25	0.08	0.07	9.4%
	8.50	9.55	0.10	0.58	0.34	0.10	0.03	0.02	2.2%
	8.80	9.45	0.00	0.00	0.32		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	9.10	9.55	0.10	0.82	0.32	0.10	0.03	0.02	3.2%
	9.40	9.65	0.20	0.52	0.32	0.20	0.06	0.03	4.0%
	9.70	9.60	0.15	1.67	0.30	0.15	0.05	0.08	9.7%
	10.00	9.75	0.30	1.43	0.34	0.30	0.09	0.13	16.6%
	10.30	9.65	0.20	1.02	0.32	0.20	0.06	0.06	7.9%
	10.60	9.55	0.10	0.52	0.32	0.10	0.03	0.02	2.0%
	10.90	9.60	0.15	0.06	0.30	0.15	0.05	0.00	0.3%
	11.20	9.45	0.00	0.00	0.34		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	11.50	9.55	0.10	1.09	0.32	0.10	0.03	0.03	4.2%
	11.80	9.50	0.05	0.51	0.30	0.05	0.02	0.01	1.2%
W	12.20	9.45	0.00	0.00	0.40		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	13.80	8.34			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
1 G	15.00	7.40			0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%
	RS	17.10	6.16		0.00		0.00	0.00	0.0%

TOTALS -----

7.87 0.3 0.99 0.78 100.0%
 (Max.)

Manning's n = 0.0448
 Hydraulic Radius= 0.1260944

STREAM NAME: East Creek
 XS LOCATION: Approx. 1.25 upstream fr Gunnison R.
 XS NUMBER: 2

WATER LINE COMPARISON TABLE

WATER LINE	MEAS AREA	COMP AREA	AREA ERROR
	0.99	0.99	0.0%
9.20	0.99	2.99	201.2%
9.22	0.99	2.82	184.4%
9.24	0.99	2.66	167.7%
9.26	0.99	2.49	151.1%
9.28	0.99	2.33	134.7%
9.30	0.99	2.17	118.4%
9.32	0.99	2.01	102.2%
9.34	0.99	1.85	86.1%
9.36	0.99	1.69	70.2%
9.38	0.99	1.53	54.4%
9.40	0.99	1.38	38.7%
9.41	0.99	1.30	30.9%
9.42	0.99	1.22	23.1%
9.43	0.99	1.15	15.4%
9.44	0.99	1.07	7.7%
9.45	0.99	0.99	0.0%
9.46	0.99	0.92	-7.5%
9.47	0.99	0.85	-14.8%
9.48	0.99	0.78	-21.8%
9.49	0.99	0.71	-28.6%
9.50	0.99	0.64	-35.1%
9.52	0.99	0.55	-44.5%
9.54	0.99	0.46	-53.2%
9.56	0.99	0.39	-61.0%
9.58	0.99	0.32	-68.2%
9.60	0.99	0.25	-74.6%
9.62	0.99	0.20	-80.2%
9.64	0.99	0.15	-85.2%
9.66	0.99	0.10	-89.5%
9.68	0.99	0.07	-93.2%
9.70	0.99	0.04	-96.3%

WATERLINE AT ZERO

AREA ERROR = 9.450

STREAM NAME: East Creek
 XS LOCATION: Approx. 1.25 upstream fr Gunnison R.
 XS NUMBER: 2

Constant Manning's n

GL = lowest Grassline elevation corrected for sag

STAGING TABLE

WL = Waterline corrected for variations in field measured water surface elevations and sag

	DIST TO WATER (FT)	TOP WIDTH (FT)	AVG. DEPTH (FT)	MAX. DEPTH (FT)	AREA (SQ FT)	WETTED PERIM. (FT)	PERCENT WET PERIM (%)	HYDR RADIUS (FT)	FLOW (CFS)	AVG. VELOCITY (FT/SEC)
GL	7.41	12.49	1.74	2.34	21.76	14.28	100.0%	1.52	89.59	4.12
	8.45	10.19	0.98	1.30	9.98	11.17	78.2%	0.89	28.78	2.88
	8.50	10.07	0.94	1.25	9.47	11.01	77.1%	0.86	26.64	2.81
	8.55	9.96	0.90	1.20	8.97	10.86	76.1%	0.83	24.56	2.74
	8.60	9.84	0.86	1.15	8.48	10.71	75.0%	0.79	22.56	2.66
	8.65	9.73	0.82	1.10	7.99	10.55	73.9%	0.76	20.63	2.58
	8.70	9.61	0.78	1.05	7.50	10.40	72.8%	0.72	18.77	2.50
	8.75	9.50	0.74	1.00	7.03	10.25	71.8%	0.69	16.99	2.42
	8.80	9.38	0.70	0.95	6.55	10.09	70.7%	0.65	15.28	2.33
	8.85	9.27	0.66	0.90	6.09	9.94	69.6%	0.61	13.65	2.24
	8.90	9.16	0.61	0.85	5.63	9.79	68.5%	0.58	12.10	2.15
	8.95	9.04	0.57	0.80	5.17	9.63	67.5%	0.54	10.62	2.05
	9.00	8.93	0.53	0.75	4.72	9.48	66.4%	0.50	9.23	1.95
	9.05	8.81	0.49	0.70	4.28	9.33	65.3%	0.46	7.92	1.85
	9.10	8.69	0.44	0.65	3.84	9.17	64.2%	0.42	6.69	1.74
	9.15	8.53	0.40	0.60	3.41	8.98	62.9%	0.38	5.56	1.63
	9.20	8.38	0.36	0.55	2.99	8.80	61.6%	0.34	4.53	1.51
	9.25	8.22	0.31	0.50	2.57	8.61	60.3%	0.30	3.58	1.39
	9.30	8.07	0.27	0.45	2.17	8.43	59.0%	0.26	2.73	1.26
	9.35	7.91	0.22	0.40	1.77	8.24	57.7%	0.21	1.97	1.11
	9.40	7.76	0.18	0.35	1.38	8.06	56.4%	0.17	1.32	0.96
WL	9.45	7.60	0.13	0.30	0.99	7.87	55.1%	0.13	0.78	0.78
	9.50	4.85	0.13	0.25	0.64	5.08	35.6%	0.13	0.50	0.78
	9.55	3.90	0.11	0.20	0.43	4.08	28.5%	0.10	0.29	0.69
	9.60	3.00	0.08	0.15	0.25	3.12	21.8%	0.08	0.15	0.58
	9.65	2.10	0.06	0.10	0.13	2.16	15.2%	0.06	0.06	0.46
	9.70	1.15	0.03	0.05	0.04	1.18	8.3%	0.03	0.01	0.31
	9.75	0.00	#DIV/0!	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.0%	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!	#DIV/0!

STREAM NAME: East Creek
XS LOCATION: Approx. 1.25 upstream fr Gunnison R.
XS NUMBER: 2

SUMMARY SHEET

MEASURED FLOW (Qm)= 0.78 cfs
CALCULATED FLOW (Qc)= 0.78 cfs
(Qm-Qc)/Qm * 100 = 0.0 %

MEASURED WATERLINE (WLm)= 9.45 ft
CALCULATED WATERLINE (WLc)= 9.45 ft
(WLm-WLc)/WLm * 100 = 0.0 %

MAX MEASURED DEPTH (Dm)= 0.30 ft
MAX CALCULATED DEPTH (Dc)= 0.30 ft
(Dm-Dc)/Dm * 100 = 0.0 %

MEAN VELOCITY= 0.78 ft/sec
MANNING'S N= 0.045
SLOPE= 0.0088 ft/ft

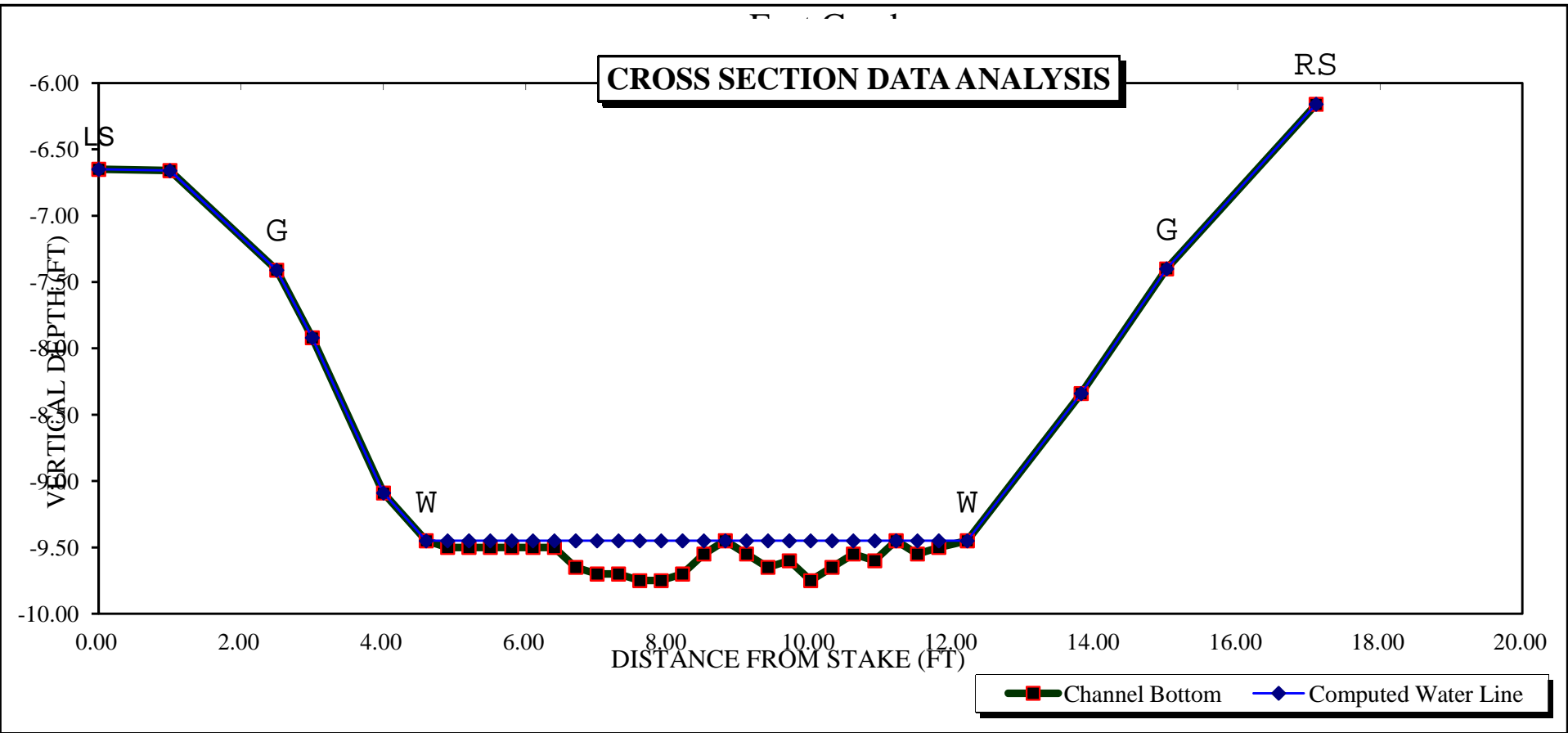
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2.5 * Qm= 1.9 cfs

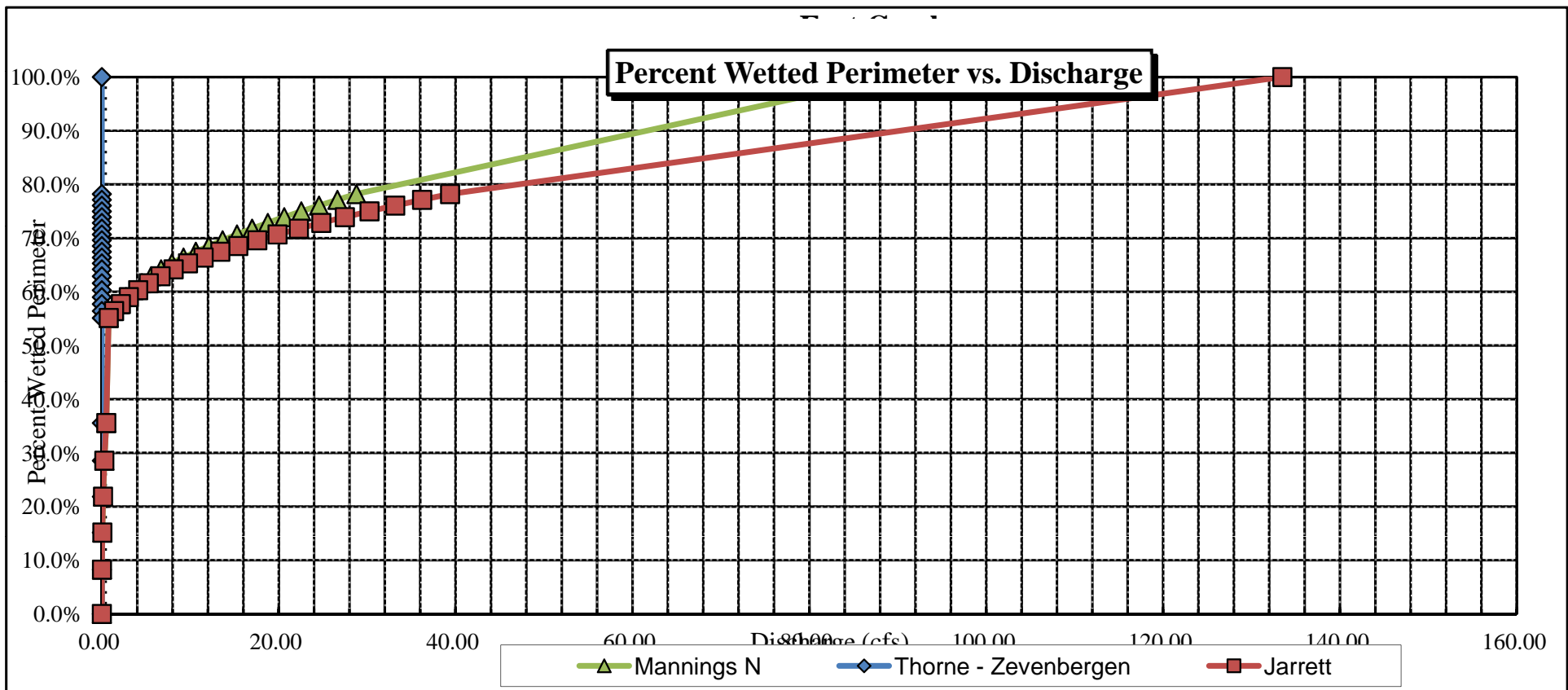
RECOMMENDED INSTREAM FLOW:
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FLOW (CFS)	PERIOD
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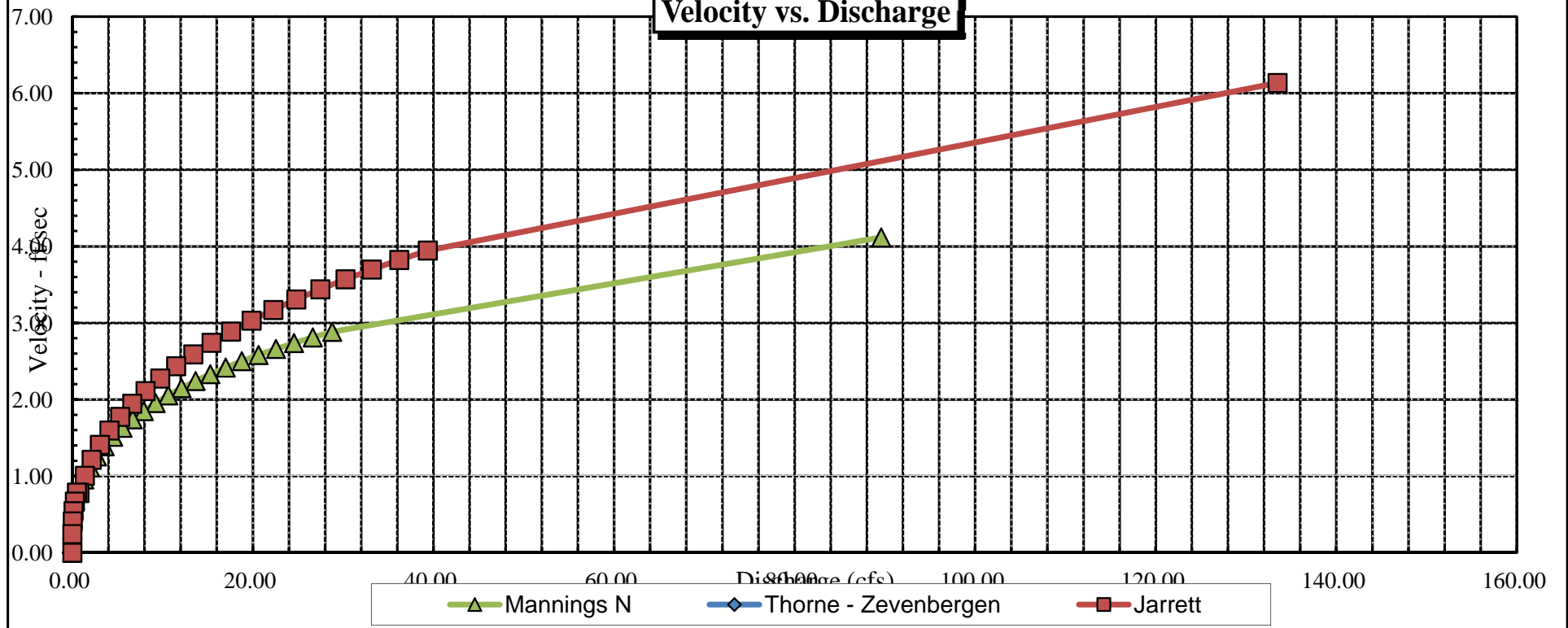
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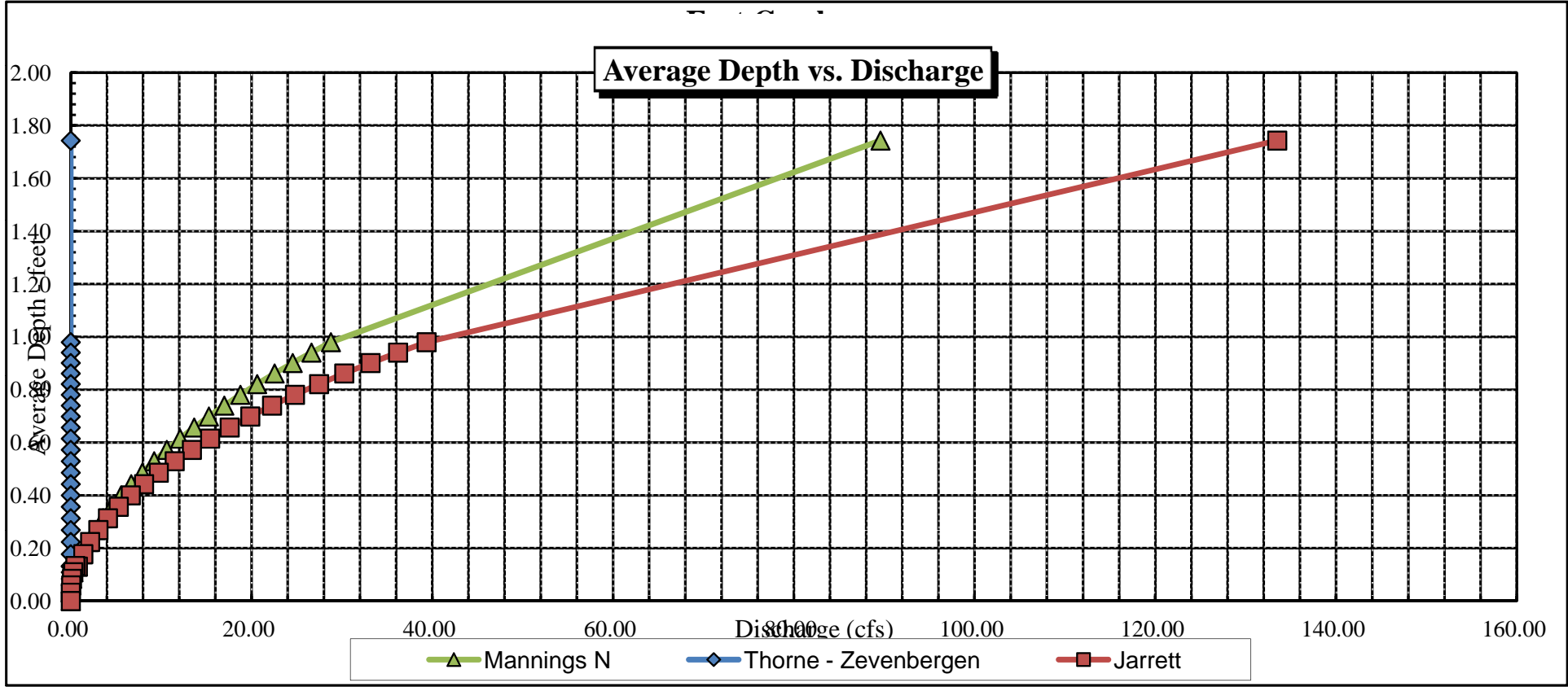
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Velocity vs. Discharge





Stage vs. Discharge

