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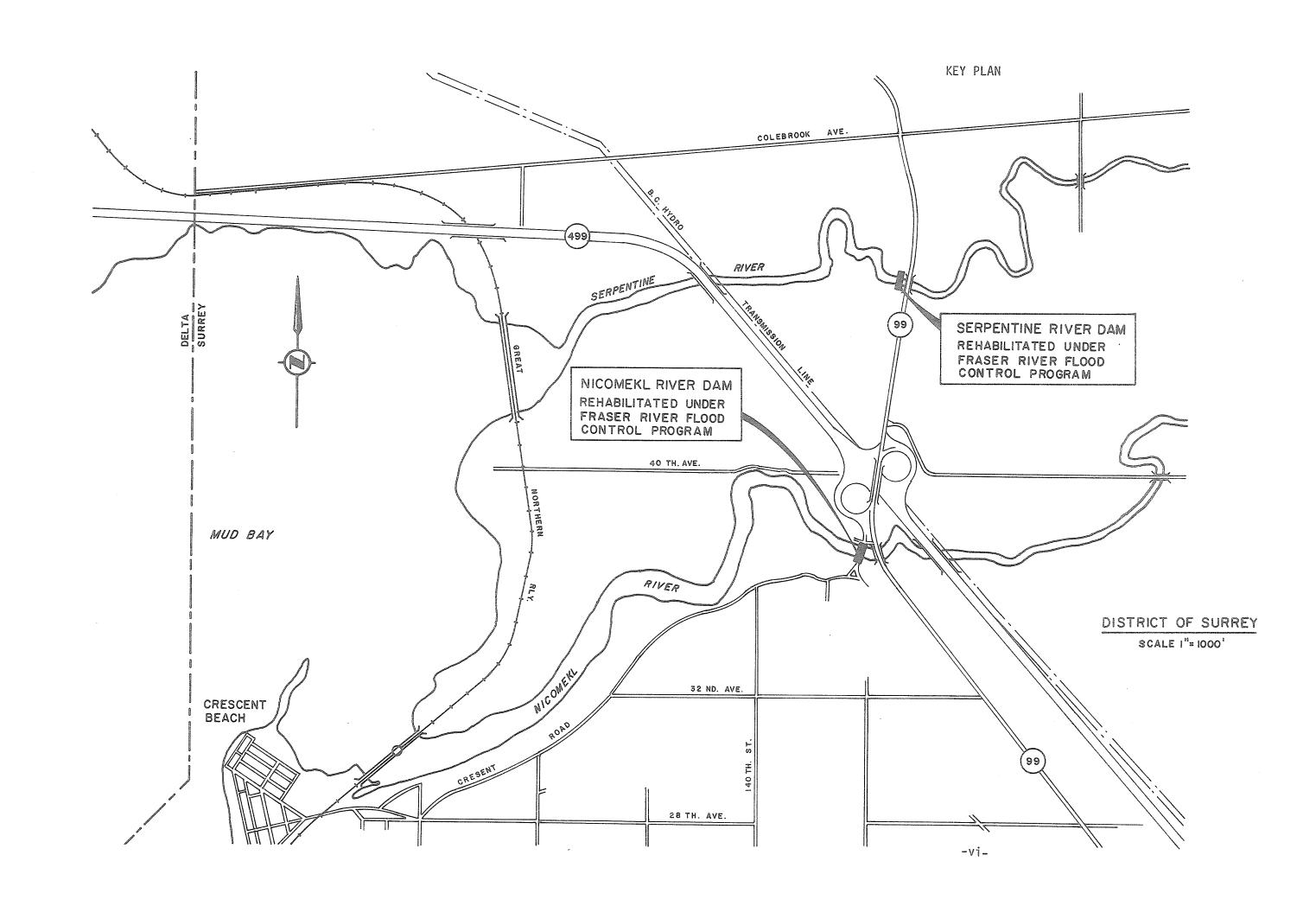
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INTRODUCTION

1. THE PROGRAM

1.1 THE FRASER RIVER FLOOD CONTROL 1968 AGREEMENT

Canada and the Province of British Columbia signed an agreement on May 24, 1968, providing for construction of flood control works in the lower Fraser Valley. The Agreement carried out jointly by the two senior governments, provides for a comprehensive flood control program for the area and includes rehabilitation of existing dykes, increased river bank protection, and improvement of internal drainage facilities.

2. THE PROJECT

2.1 THE DISTRICT OF SURREY PROJECT

At the District of Surrey, work under the Fraser River Flood Control Program included repairs to the Serpentine and Nicomekl dams including the provision of stoplog guides. The construction costs amounted to \$1,175,955.66 and the supervision costs amounted to \$79,539.20 for a total contract cost of \$1,255,494.86.

2.2 PROJECT CONSTRUCTION PERIOD

At the District of Surrey, construction commenced in December 1973 and was substantially completed in November 1974.

3. RESPONSIBILITY FOR MAINTENANCE

3.1 RESPONSIBILITY FOR PROJECT MAINTENANCE

Under the Fraser River Flood Control 1968 Agreement, the District of Surrey undertook to operate and maintain the completed structures. This manual has been prepared with this maintenance in mind.

Under the Dyke Maintenance Act (Appendix 6), it is the responsibility of the Inspector of Dykes to ensure that the integrity of the dyking system is maintained. It is the intention that the Inspector of Dykes will conduct regular inspections.

3.2 CONTRACT MAINTENANCE TERM

Under the contract maintenance guarantee, the Contractor is responsible to maintain the new works for a period of twelve months following completion of the contract, against any defects arising from improper installation, inferior material, or faulty workmanship.

4. THE OPERATION AND MAINTENANCE MANUAL

4.1 MANUAL CONTENT

Operation and maintenance instructions provided in these instructions are for facilities which were improved under the Program. Special instructions are not provided for existing facilities which were not improved under the Program, except where their maintenance or operation is critical to the integrity of the structures.

These instructions provide general and detailed information on the operation and maintenance of the Serpentine and Nicomekl dams. Included are the as-constructed drawings. Additional information can be found in the Contract Specifications issued to the Municipality during construction.

4.2 FLEXIBILITY OF THE MANUAL AND THE ADDITION OF INFORMATION

This manual should be the working document wherein additional information gained by the experience of the operators and changing conditions in the Municipality should be appended for the benefit of future operators. The Province may issue addenda or amendments to this document from time to time.

5. PROBLEMS

5.1 QUESTIONS AND TECHINCAL ADVICE

Dyking personnel should familarize themselves with all the flood control works especially the critical areas so that they have a working knowledge of the works. Questions regarding the system should be directed to the Inspector of Dykes.

OPERATING AND MAINTENANCE INSTRUCTIONS

1. GENERAL

1.1 SCOPE OF SECTION B

1.1.1 This section contains instructions, methods, techniques and data pertinent to the operation and maintenance of the District of Surrey flood control works, which are the basis of the design of works constructed under the Fraser River Flood Control 1968 Agreement.

1.2 MAINTENANCE REQUIREMENT

- 1.2.1 Regular inspection and maintenance of flood protection works is necessary to maintain the integrity of this flood protection system.
- 1.2.2 Instructions are provided for the guidance and training of operating staff and for reference information on general procedures and precautions concerning the maintenance of the flood protection system.
- 1.2.3 Maintenance will generally comprise the following:
 - inspection of all works each fall, spring, and during the freshet
 - 2) repair of filter blanket
 - 3) excavation and backfill of all animal holes
 - 4) replacement of anodes
 - 5) repainting of flood gates and metal surfaces
 - 6) reseeding of slopes as required
 - 7) removal of debris and garbage from all flood control works
 - 8) inspection of structures constructed in and about the dam to verify that the standard of flood protection has not been reduced.

1.2.4 Maintenance will include the control of development and construction on, through or in the vicinity of flood control works, to ensure that the standard of protection provided by the reconstruction under the Federal Provincial Fraser River Flood Control 1968 Agreement Program is maintained.

1.3 MUNICIPAL CONTROLS

The Municipality should ensure that construction on through or in the vicinity of the flood control works does not reduce the standard of flood protection provided by the reconstruction under the Federal Provincial Fraser River Flood Control 1968 Agreement Program.

1.3.1 Excavations Adjacent to Flood Control Works

Excavation adjacent and very close to the flood protection structures should be discouraged, but where excavation is necessary, expert advice should be obtained to ensure that the excavation is compatible with stability of the flood protection works.

1.3.2 Access for Maintenance

Access to the dam crest, slopes and adjacent banks shall be maintained to permit inspection and repair of the dams and adjacent flood protection works.

1.3.3 Review of Proposals for Works in the Vicinity of Flood Control Works

Any work or works proposed on or in the immediate vicinity of flood control works should be reviewed by the Municipality, the Inspector of Dykes, and other affected regulatory agencies before work is approved to proceed.

1.3.4 Municipal Regualtions

A Municipal by-law and regulations may be required to regulate work on, through or in the vicinity of the flood protection works.

1.3.5 Engineering Evaluation for New Works

Where work or a new structure is proposed on or adjacent to flood control works and the stability of the works under the new conditions is suspect, an engineering evaluation should be made before work is approved to proceed.

2. EMERGENCY REPAIR WORK

2.1 MEN AND EQUIPMENT

- 2.1.1 The Municipality should store sufficient materials and maintain equipment adequate to cope with normal emergency operations. As the river rises to critical levels, crews should be advised that they may be called upon, at short notice, to cope with emergencies related to their flood protection works.
- 2.1.2 Should the Provincial Government mobilize the Lower Fraser Valley Flood Organization and declare an emergency then the municipal forces would be integrated into this organization.

2.2 FRESHET EMERGENCY PROCEDURES

2.2.1 Emergency Work

Municipal work crews should be equipped and on short notice call to cope with emergencies.

2.2.2 Engineering and Soils Consultant Advice

Engineering and soils consultant advice should be obtained to recommend permanent corrective action following emergency situations. The Engineer and soils consultant should be advised promptly of such emergencies so that the area may be inspected under critical conditions.

2.3 DANGER OF DAMS OVERTOPPING

The overtopping of dams should be an infrequent danger since the dams have been rehabilitated. In the event that such a danger does occur, it is probable that the Province will assist the Municipality in any emergency action.

2.4 RECORDS

Cases of severe damage should be recorded, where possible, for the benefit of future maintenance. Photgraphs with locations and dates should be obtained before repairs are affected, but this should not in any way interfere or prejudice emergency work.

DAMS

3.1 BASIS OF DAM REPAIRS

- 3.1.1 The dams were upgraded to increase the useful life expectancy of the structures to a minimum of 25 years and to increase the factor of safety relative to sliding.
- 3.1.2 The roadway on the existing structures was raised to provide a minimum 2-foot freeboard above design water level.

3.2 INSPECTIONS

3.2.1 Routine Annual Inspections

As a matter of routine the entire dam should be inspected annually.

3.2.2 Debris and Garbage

The dams and channels should be cleared of all debris and garbage.

3.2.3 Patrol Observations and Reports

Municipal patrols should observe and report to their local control headquaters any occurences that could signal a weakening of the works. Points to look for include:

- 1) damage to the concrete and gunite surfaces;
- cracking or spalling of concrete and opening of contraction joints;
- damage to the gates in particular the neoprene seals, urethane bushings and anodes;
- 4) damage or loss of filter material upstream of the dams;
- 5) unusual or inadequate operation behavior.

3.2.4 Field Inspection Log

A log as illustrated in Appendix 4 should be kept of all inspections, and should include the following data:

1) date and time of inspection;

- 2) condition of gunite surfaces;
- 3) areas of piping downstream of the dams;
- 4) problems experienced with the gates;
- 5) condition of painted surfaces;
- 6) extent of anode deterioration.

3.3 MAINTENANCE OF DAM STRUCTURES

Since all structures and facilities are subject to deterioration in varying degree, constant vigilance is necessary to be alert to and correct potential unsafe or unsatisfactory conditions as they develop.

Concrete repairs are required where unforeseen conditions may have developed to cause damage. Where the erosion and other damage is extensive and where much of the remaining concrete is suitable for continued service, shotcrete may be used in the maintenance and repair of the eroded concrete.

Metal surfaces require painting from time to time for protection against corrosion. Submerged metalwork is subject to electrolytic deterioration. To reduce the corrosion or oxidation on the submerged metal gates, zinc plates were placed on the face of the gates. The resulting electrolytic action on the zinc necessitates replacement of these anodes every 4 or 5 years. The maintenance of these facilities is principally one of inspecting. The anodes are dissipated on a generally straight-line basis and records are needed to predict when replacement will be required.

3.4 MAINTENANCE OF CHANNELS

To control seepage and eliminate piping below the dams, the inlet channels in the vicinity of the structures were lined with a 4-foot thick gravel filter layer. Maintenance should consist of inspecting the filter layer and replacing any deficiency of filter material.

Scour protection blankets, consisting of a 2-foot thick gravel filter layer overlain by a 2-foot thick layer of 6 to 9 inches of cobbles, were placed on the river bottom on the downstream side of the dams. The scour protection blanket should require little or no maintenance.

APPENDICES

DISTRICT OF SURREY FLOOD CONTROL PROJECT

LIST OF GOVERNMENT AGENCIES, CONSULTING ENGINEERS CONTRACTORS, MANUFACTURERS AND SUPPLIERS FOR THE PROJECT

AGENCY

RESPONSIBILITIES

Office of the Director
Inventory and Engineering Branch
Ministry of Environment
Parliament Buildings
Victoria, British Columbia

Water Planning and
Management Branch
Inland Waters Directorate
Pacific and Yukon Region
Fisheries and Environment Canada
Room 502 - 1001 W. Pender Street
Vancouver, B. C., V6E 2M9

Coordination and execution of the Project, designers for river bank protection, direction of the construction, and 50% funding of the project.

Establishment of dyke design grades, and 50% funding of the project.

CONSULTING ENGINEERS

RESPONSIBILITIES

Associated Engineering Services Ltd. 1661 West 8th Avenue Vancouver, B. C. V6J 1V1

Consultants for the dams.

Golder Associates Consulting Geotechnical Engineers 224 West 8th Avenue Vancouver, B. C. V5Y 1N5

Soils consultants to Associated Engineering Services Limited.

CONTRACTOR

RESPONSIBILITIES

Pine Tree Construction Co. Ltd. 18557 - 96th Avenue Surrey, B. C.

Brittain Steel Ltd. 400 Ewen Avenue New Westminster, B. C.

Caproco Corrosion Prevention Ltd. 12188 - 86A Avenue Surrey, B. C. General contractor for the repair of the dams.

Contractor for supply and installation of flood gates.

Contractor for supply and installation of cathodic protection on flood gates.

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LIST OF AGENCIES THAT MIGHT BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE STRUCTURES

AGENCY	INTEREST
District of Surrey Surrey, B. C.	Safety of the dams.
Inspector of Dykes	Safety of the dams.
Office of the Director Inventory and Engineering Branch Ministry of Environment Parliament Buildings Victoria, B. C. V8V 1X4	Safety of the dams.
Water Planning and Management Branch Inland Waters Directorate Pacific and Yukon Region Fisheries and Environment Canada Room 502 - 1001 W. Pender Street Vancouver, B. C. V6E 2M9	Safety of the dams.
Regional Manager Aids and Waterways Transport Canada Canadian Coast Guard Box 10060, Pacific Centre 700 West Georgia Street Vancouver, B. C. V7Y 1E1	Navigable Waters - Responsible for administration of the Federal Navigable Waters Protection Act with respect to navigable waters of the Province of British Columbia.
Public Works Canada Manager, Design and Construction 1110 West Georgia Street Vancouver, B. C. V6E 3W5	For consideration of work proposed within the wetted perimeter of a navigable water.
Ministry of Agriculture and Food Parliament Buildings Victoria, B. C.	Flood protection of agricultural lands.

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INTEREST

Habitat Protection Division Fisheries and Oceans Canada 1090 West Pender Street Vancouver, B. C. V6E 2P1 Environmental. Recreation and commercial fisheries protection and propogation.

Canadian Wildlife Service Vivarium University of British Columbia Vancouver, B. C. V6T 1W5 Environmental. Recreational wildlife protection and propogation.

Parks and Outdoor Recreation Division Ministry of Lands, Parks and Housing Victoria, B. C. Environmental. Recreation and land use.

Greater Vancouver Water District 2294 West 10th Avenue Vancouver, B. C.

Watermain crossing the dams.

B.C. Hydro and Power Authority 970 Burrard Street Vancouver, B. C. V6Z 1Y3 Hydro and gas works and structures in or on the dams.

B.C. Telephone Company 768 Seymour Street Vancouver, B. C. V6B 3K9

Telephone communication works and structures in or on the dams.

B.C. Land Commission 4333 Ledger Avenue Burnaby, B. C. V5G 3T3

Establishment of statutory Agricultural Reserves.

DRAWINGS

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4884-1-6	Nicomekl and Serpentine Dams, Filter and Scour Protection Profiles, Road Cross Section	105331
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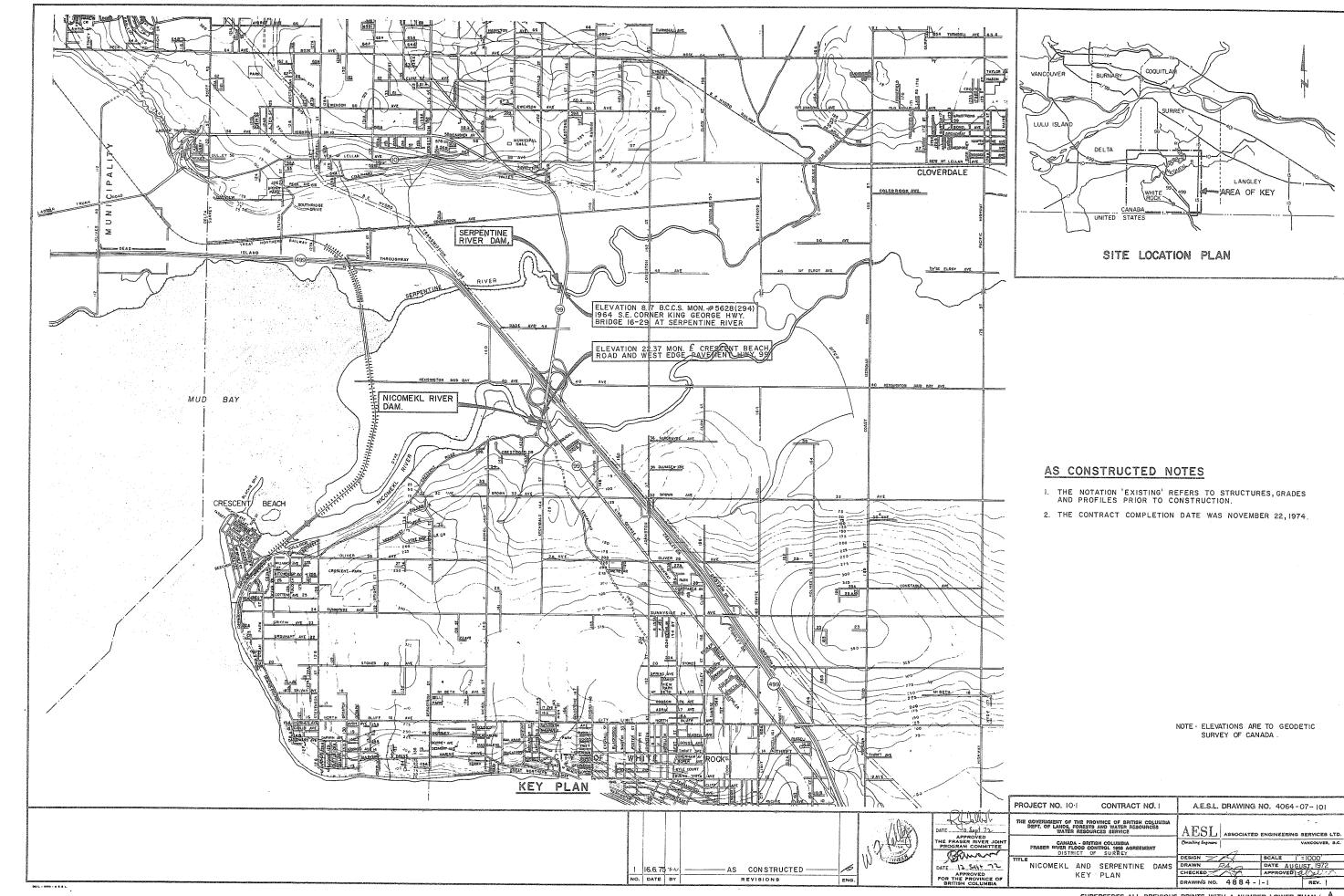
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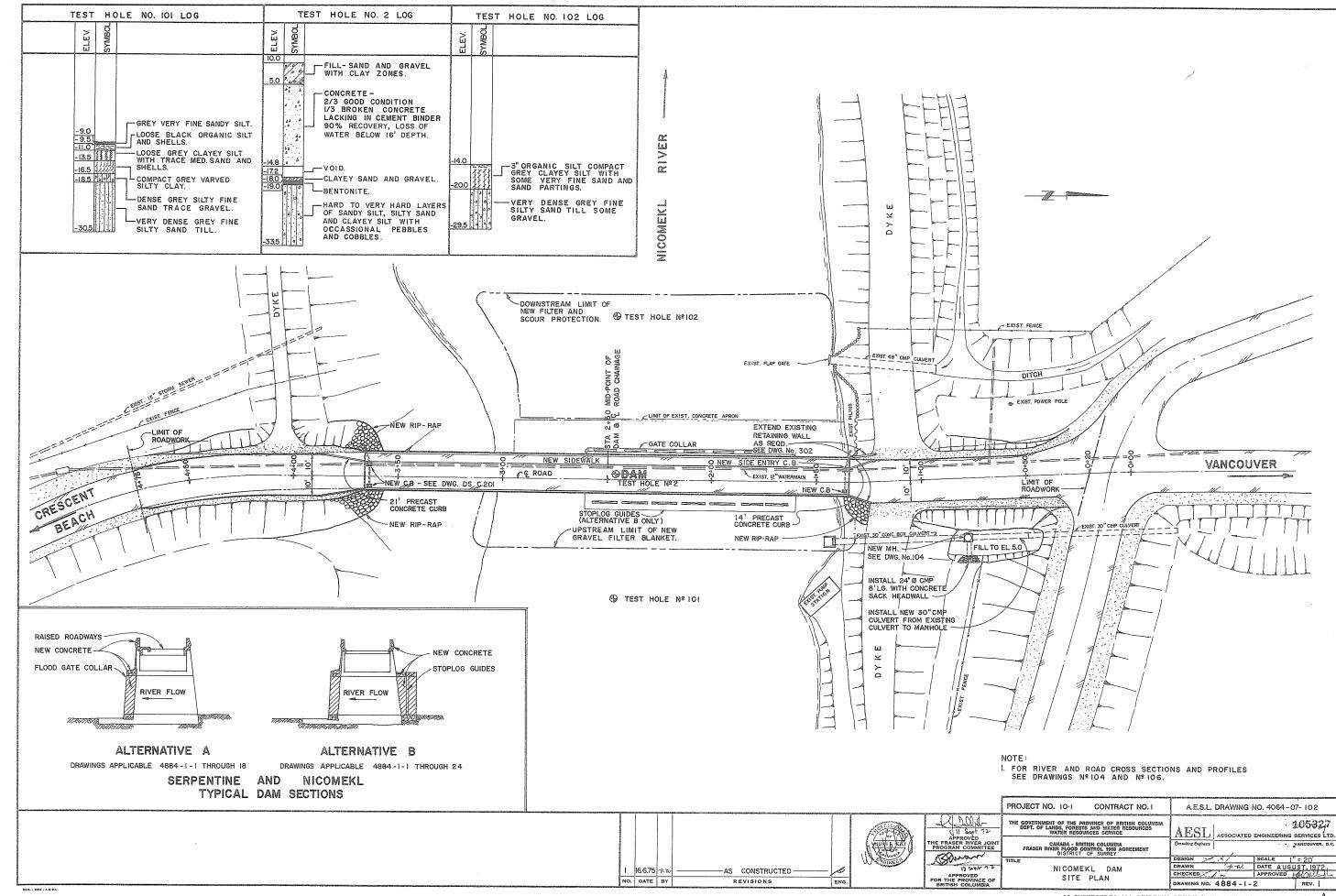


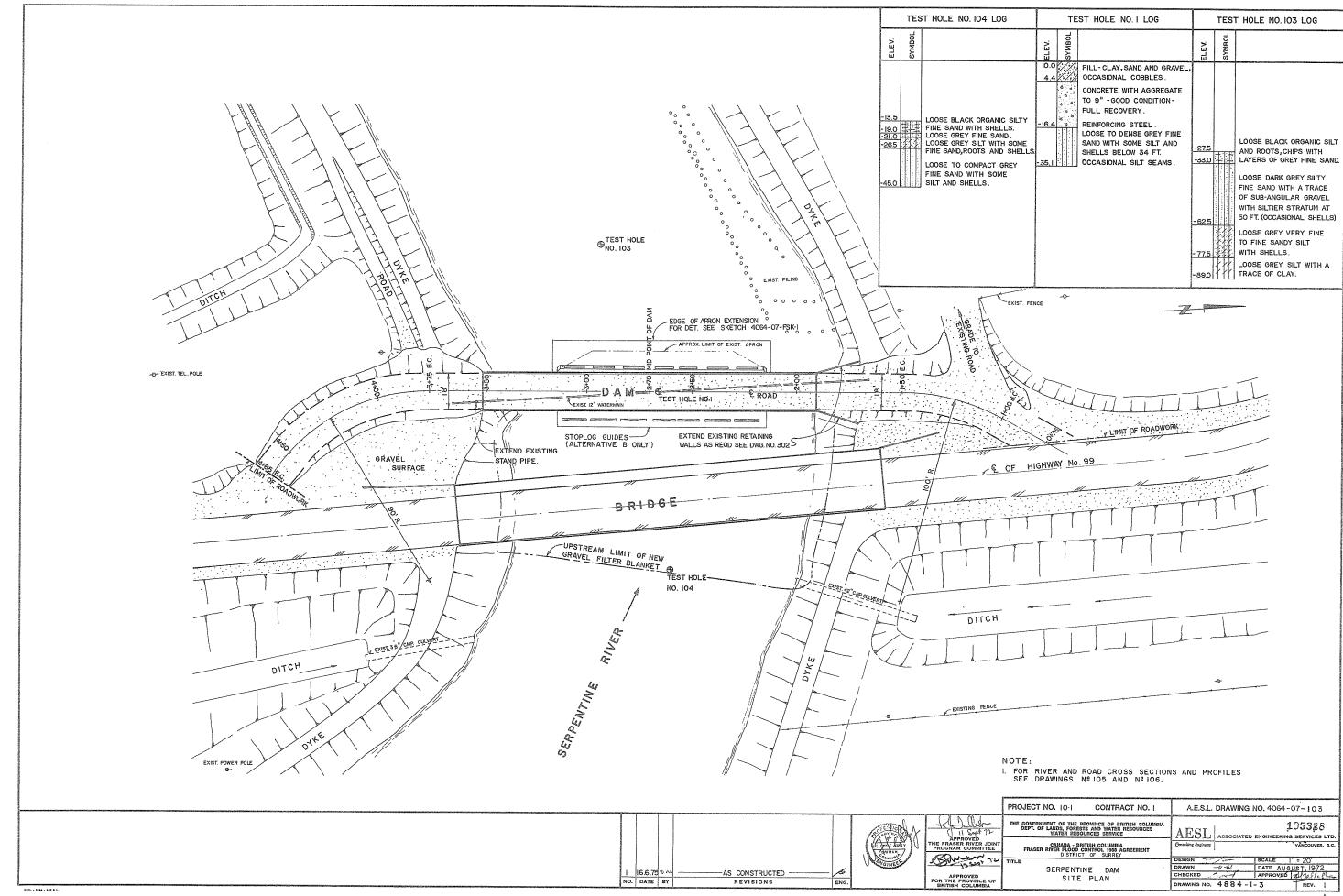
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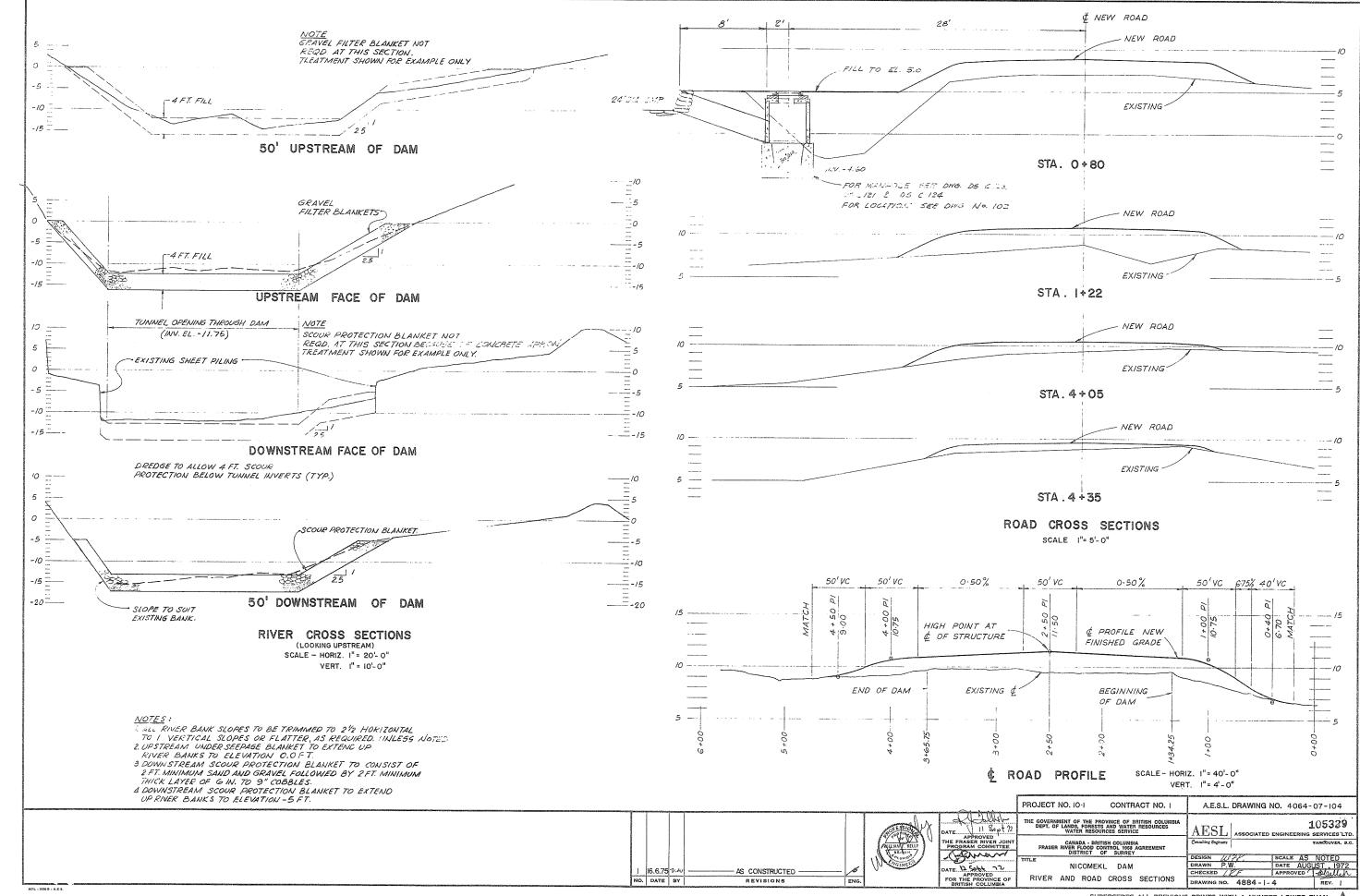
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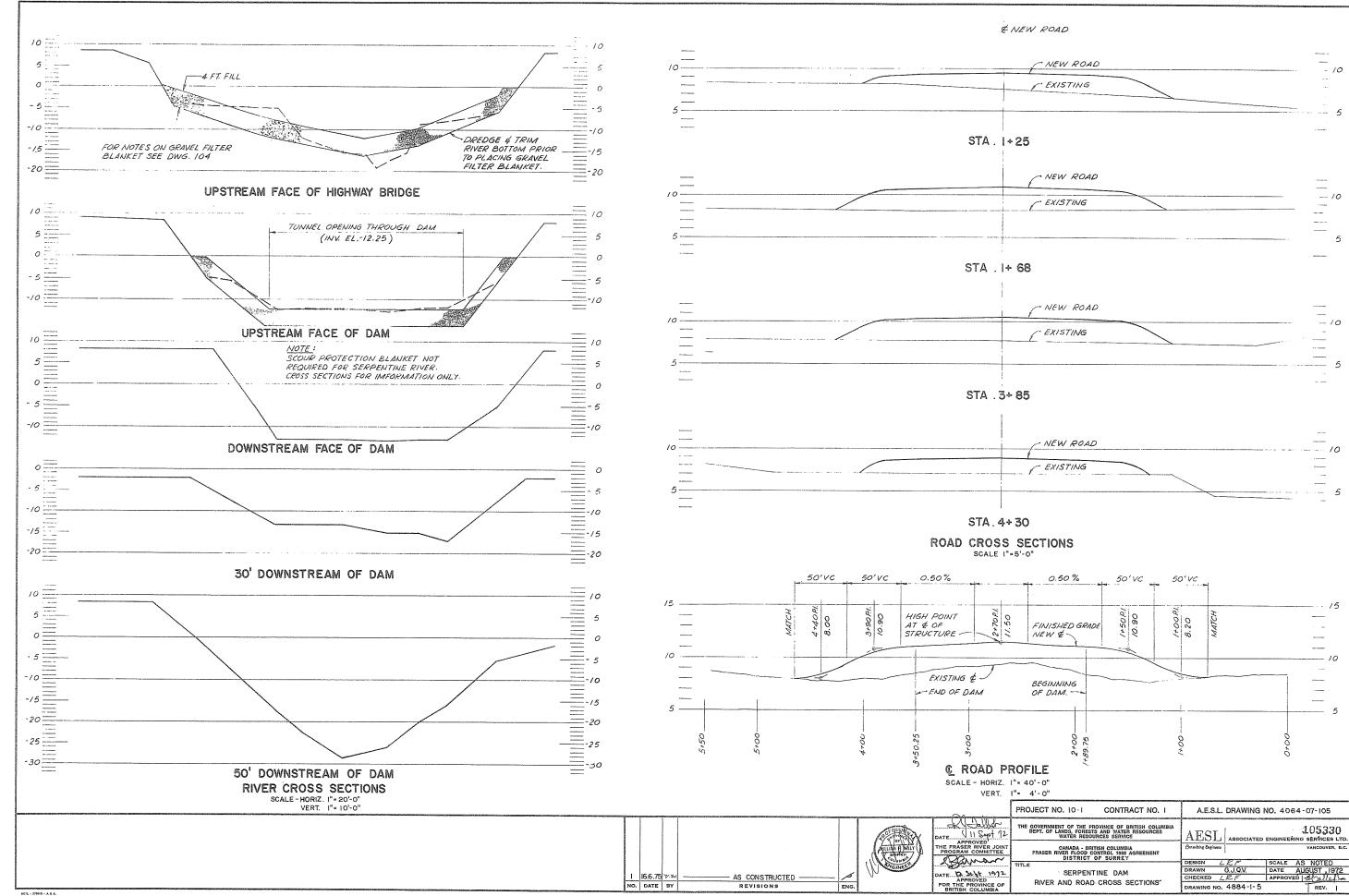
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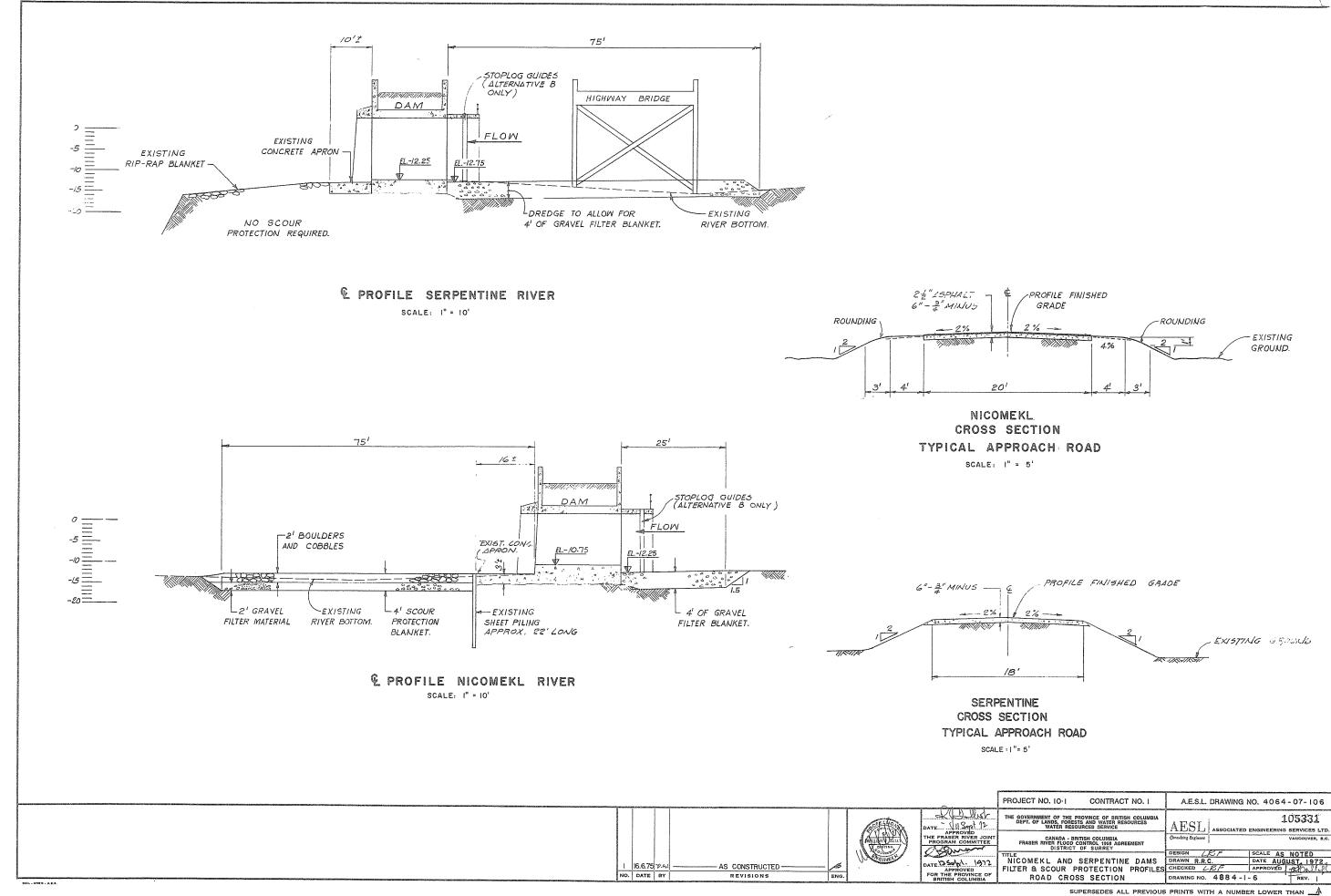


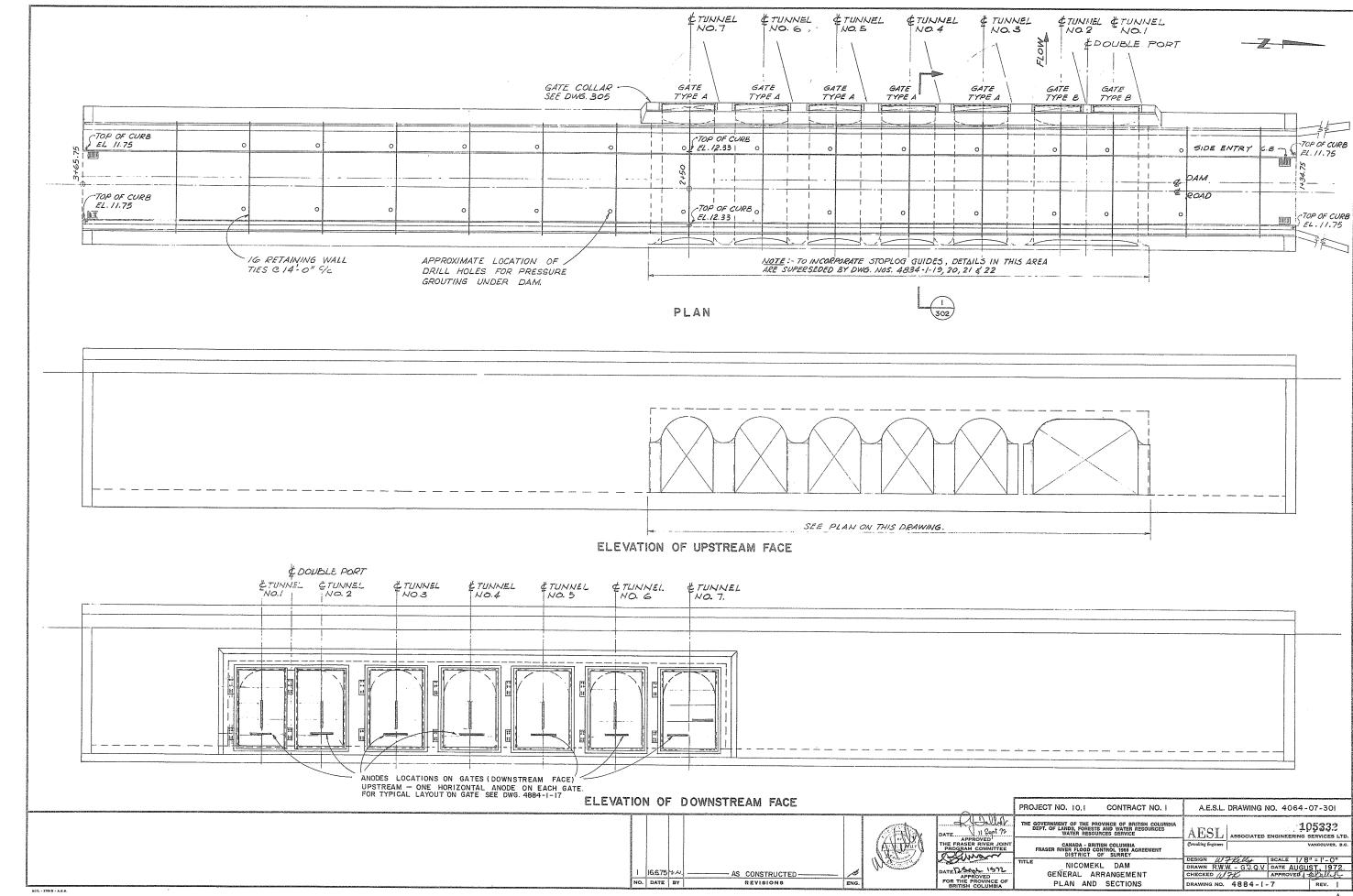


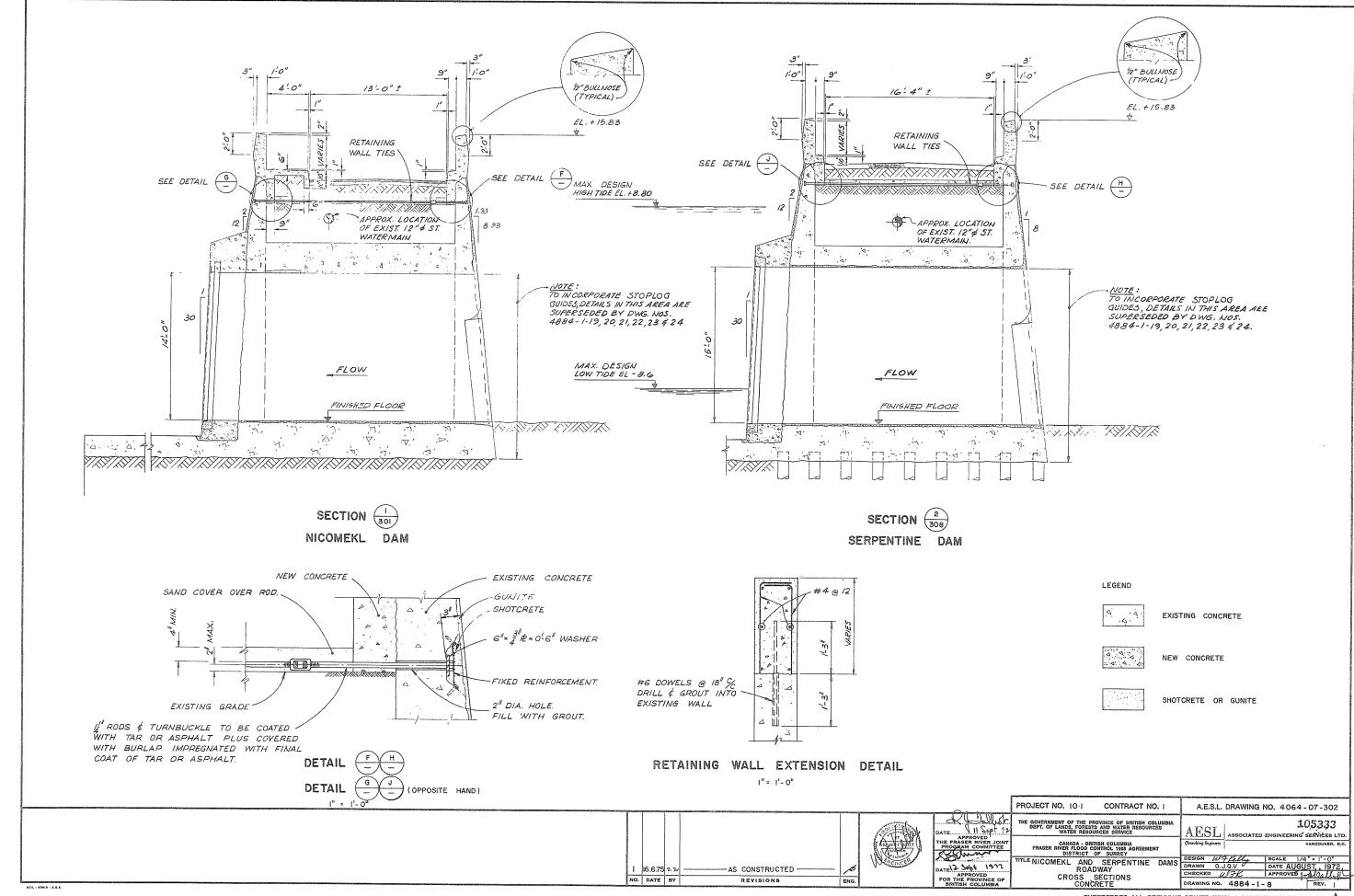


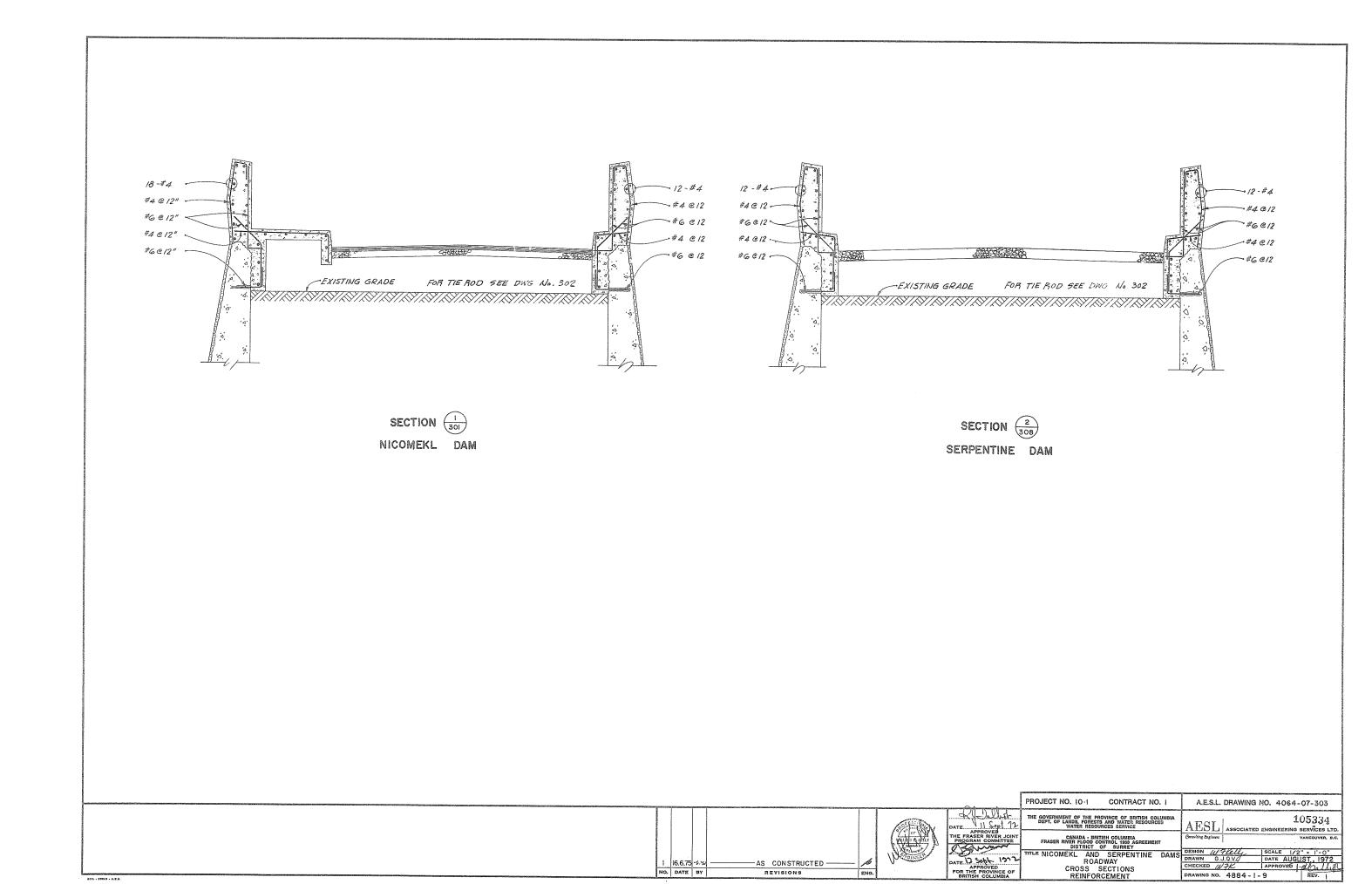












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