



Public Notice

**U.S. Army Corps
of Engineers**
Pittsburgh District

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Notice No. below

US Army Corps of Engineers, Pittsburgh District
1000 Liberty Avenue
Pittsburgh, PA 15222-4186

Application No. 2008-2008

Date: July 30, 2008

Notice No. 08-42

Closing Date: August 30, 2008

1. TO ALL WHOM IT MAY CONCERN: The following application has been submitted for a Department of the Army Permit under the provisions of Section 404 of the Clean Water Act (33 U.S.C. 1344)
2. APPLICANT: Jody Beyers
Dunlo Rod & Gun Club
P.O. Box 283
Dunlo, Pennsylvania 15930
3. LOCATION: Along the South Fork of the Little Conemaugh River below the Beaverdale Reservoir Dam, and along Bottle Run and Shanks Run in Adams Township, Cambria County, Pennsylvania.
4. PURPOSE AND DESCRIPTION OF WORK: The applicant proposes to place 19 to 26 tons of limestone sand along two headwater watercourses to the South Fork Little Conemaugh River, and in the main stem of the South Fork Little Conemaugh River below the Beaverdale Reservoir Dam in Adams Township, Cambria County, PA; The two headwater watercourses to the South Fork Little Conemaugh River to receive limestone sand are Bottle Run, and Shanks Run. The purpose of this project is to improve water quality and aquatic habitat that has been degraded by infiltration of abandoned mine drainage and acid precipitation. There will be 5 limestone dosing sites throughout the project area: sites 1 and 2 are located below the Beaverdale Reservoir Dam on the main stem of the South Fork Little Conemaugh River, site 3 is located on Bottle Run, and sites 4 and 5 are located on Shanks Run. The limestone sand will be placed by means of depositing the limestone along the top of the stream bank and repositioning with a backhoe. The limestone will be positioned into 20' long X 5' wide X 2' high berms; high flows will carry the limestone sand into the stream. The limestone applications will continue for the next 4 to 7 years. Drawings of proposed work are attached to this notice.
5. ENCROACHMENT PERMIT: The applicant is required to obtain an encroachment permit which includes State 401 Water Quality Certification from the:

Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Protection
Southwest Regional Office
Soils and Waterways Section
400 Waterfront Drive
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania 15222-4745

Telephone: 412-442-4000

6. IMPACT ON NATURAL RESOURCES: The District Engineer has consulted the most recently available information and has determined that the project is not likely to affect the continued existence of any endangered species or threatened species, or result in the destruction or adverse modification of habitat of such species which has been determined to be critical. This Public Notice serves as a request to the U. S. Fish and Wildlife Service for any additional information they may have on whether any listed or proposed to be listed endangered or threatened species may be present in the area which would be affected by the activity, pursuant to Section 7(c) of the Endangered Species Act of 1972 (as amended).

6. IMPACT ON CULTURAL RESOURCES: The National Register of Historic Places has been consulted, and it has been determined that there are no properties currently listed on the register which would be directly affected by the proposed work. If we are made aware, as a result of comments received in response to this notice, or by other means, of specific archeological, scientific, prehistorical, or historical sites or structures which might be affected by the proposed work, the District Engineer will immediately take the appropriate action necessary pursuant to the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 - Public Law 89-665 as amended (including Public Law 96-515).

7. PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT: Any person may request, in writing, within the comment period specified in the paragraph below entitled "RESPONSES," that a public hearing be held to consider this application. The requests for public hearing shall state, with particularity, the reasons for holding a public hearing.

8. EVALUATION: Interested parties are invited to state any objections they may have to the proposed work. The decision whether to issue a permit will be based on an evaluation of the probable impact including cumulative impacts of the proposed activity on the public interest. That decision will reflect the national concern for both protection and utilization of important resources. The benefit which reasonably may be expected to accrue from the proposals must be balanced against its reasonably foreseeable detriments. All factors which may be relevant to the proposal will be considered including the cumulative effects thereof; among those are conservation, economics, aesthetics, general environmental concerns, wetlands, historic properties, fish and wildlife values, flood hazards, flood plain values, land use, navigation, shoreline erosion and accretion, recreation, water supply and conservation, water quality, energy needs, safety, food and fiber production, mineral needs, considerations of property ownership and, in general, the needs and welfare of the people. The Corps of Engineers is soliciting

comments from the public; Federal, state, and local agencies and officials; Indian Tribes; and other interested parties in order to consider and evaluate the impacts of this proposed activity. Any comments received will be considered by the Corps of Engineers to determine whether to issue, modify, condition or deny a permit for this proposal. To make this decision, comments are used to assess impacts on endangered species, historic properties, water quality, general environmental effects, and the other public interest factors listed above. Comments are used in the preparation of an Environmental Assessment and/or an Environmental Impact Statement pursuant to the National Environmental Policy Act. Comments are also used to determine the overall public interest of the proposed activity.

9. **RESPONSES:** A permit will be granted unless its issuance is found to be contrary to the public interest. Written statements concerning the proposed activity should be received in this office on or before the closing date of this Public Notice in order to become a part of the record and to be considered in the final determination. Any objections which are received during this period may be forwarded to the applicant for possible resolution before the determination is made whether to issue or deny the requested DA Permit. All responses to this notice should be directed to the Regulatory Branch, ATTN Jon T. Coleman, at the above address, by telephoning (412) 395-7188, or by e-mail at jon.t.coleman@usace.army.mil. In all responses please refer to CELRP-OP-F 2008-1008 in all responses.

FOR THE DISTRICT ENGINEER:

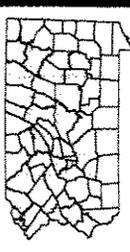
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Scott A. Hans
Chief, Regulatory Branch

Dunlo Rod and Gun Club
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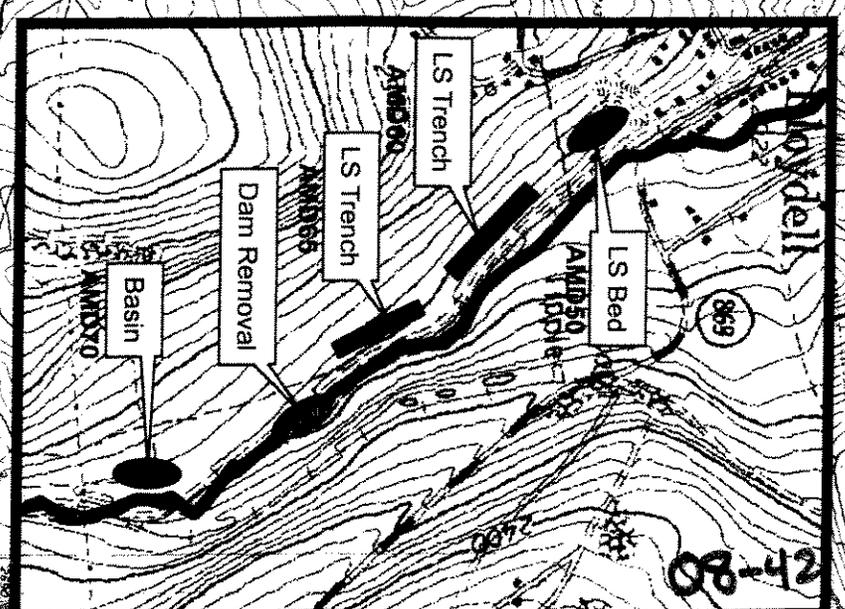
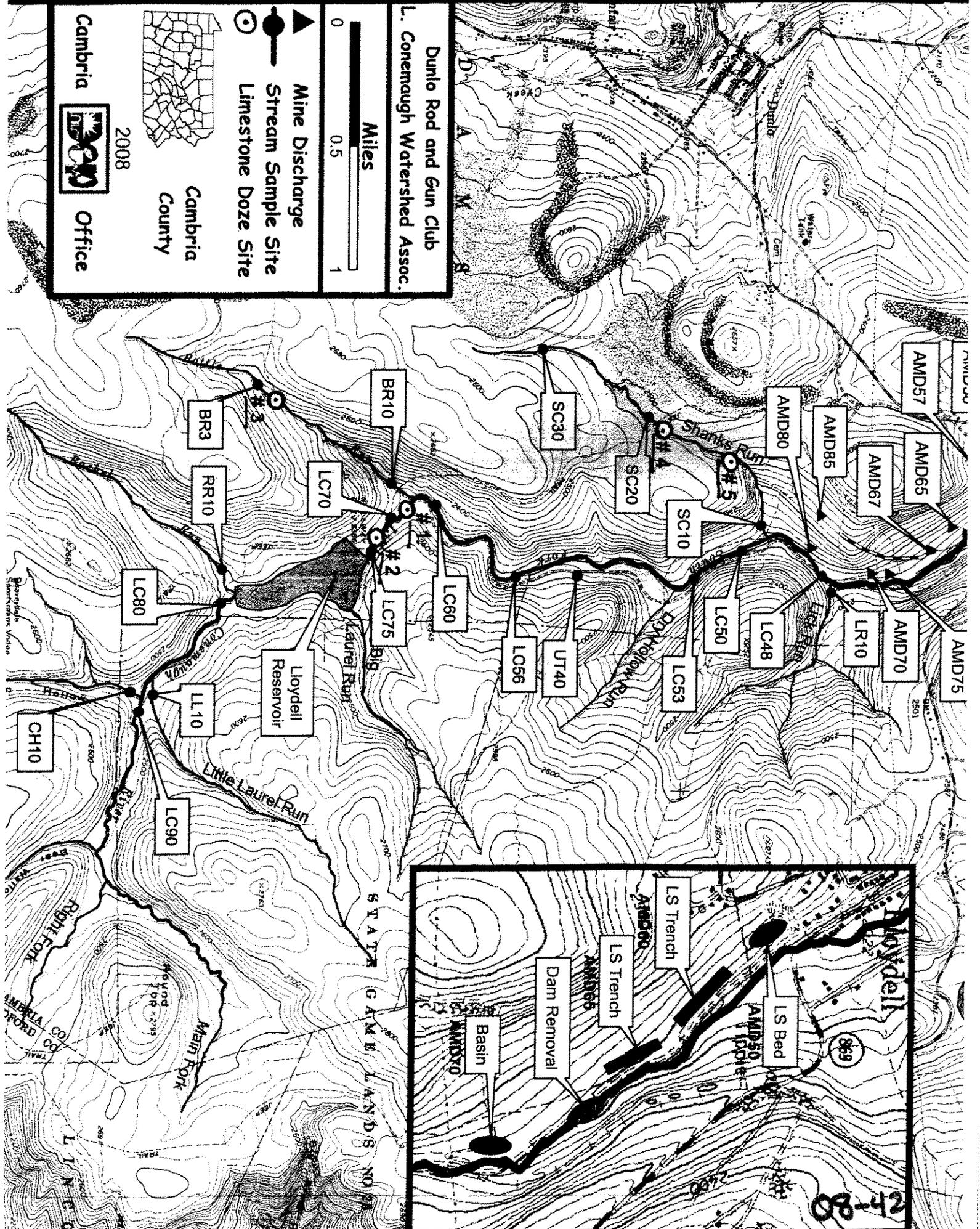


- Mine Discharge
- Stream Sample Site
- Limestone Doze Site



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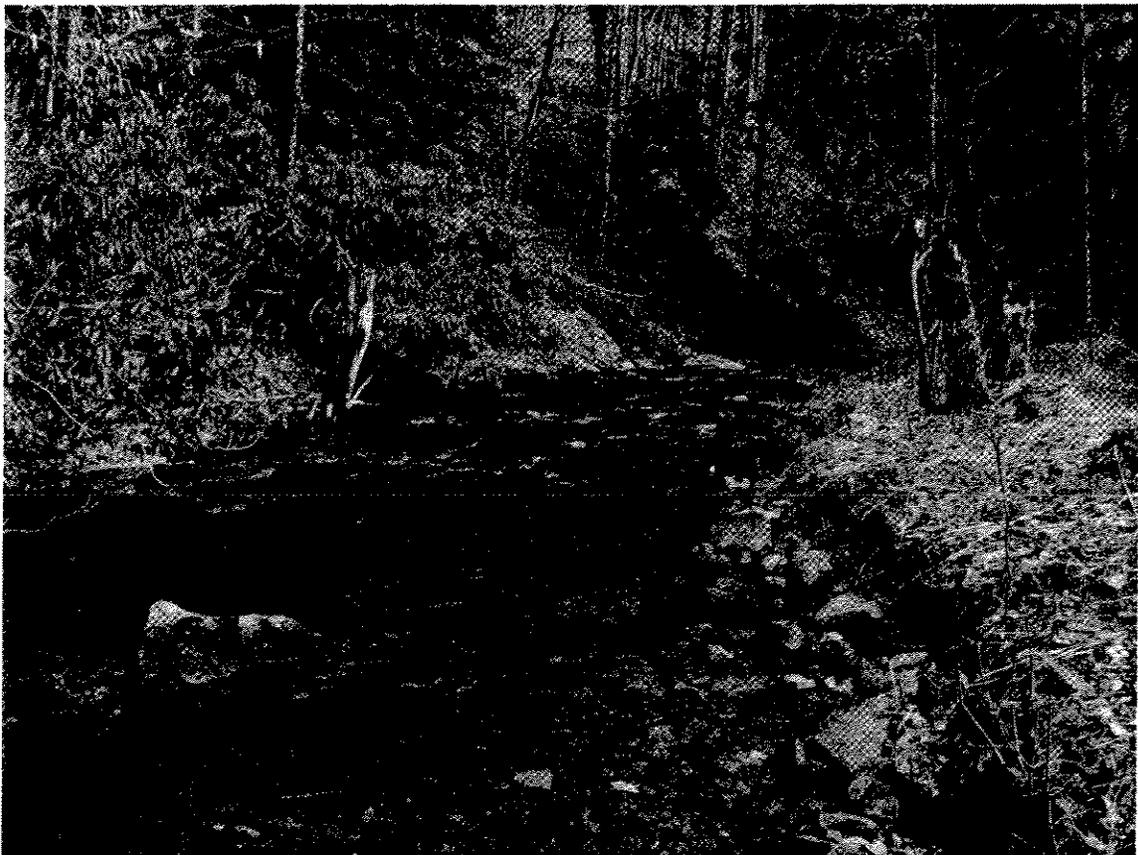
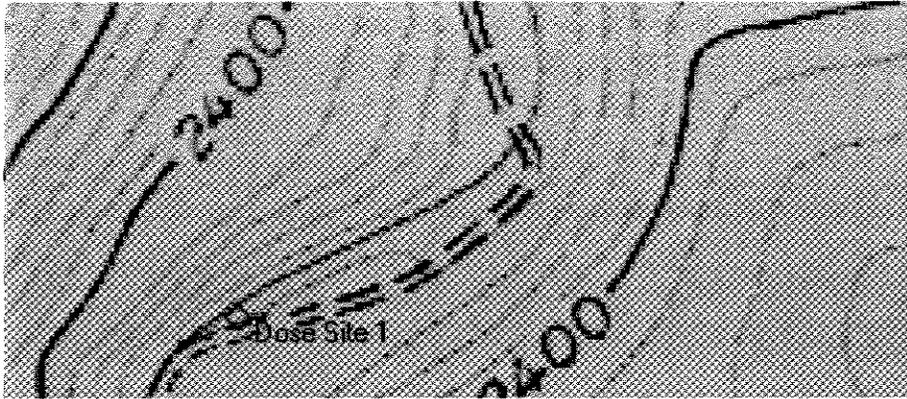
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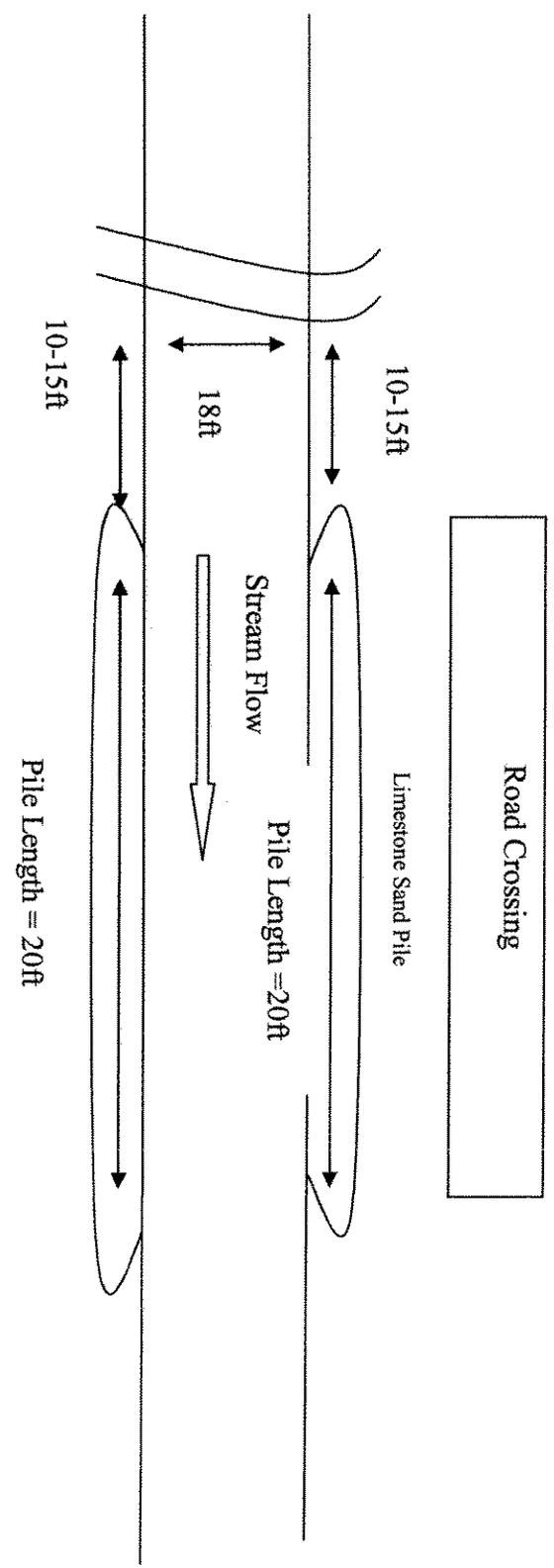
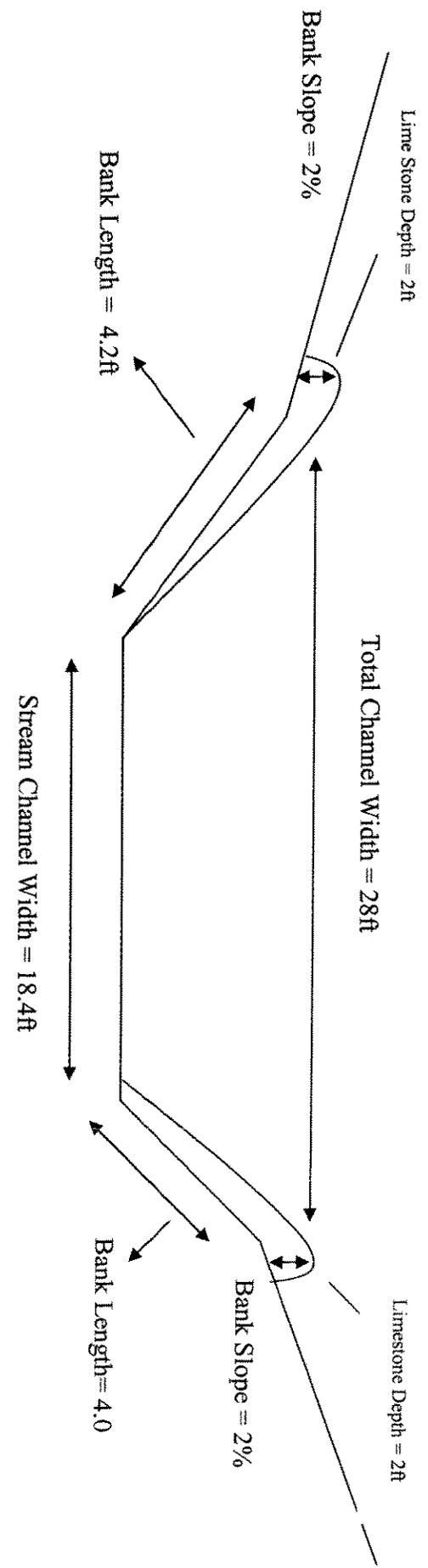
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Dosing Site 1: Below Dam

No Bridges or houses within 1000ft downstream. Truck will use the existing Highland Water road crossing to access the site . No dosing/flooding issues noted.



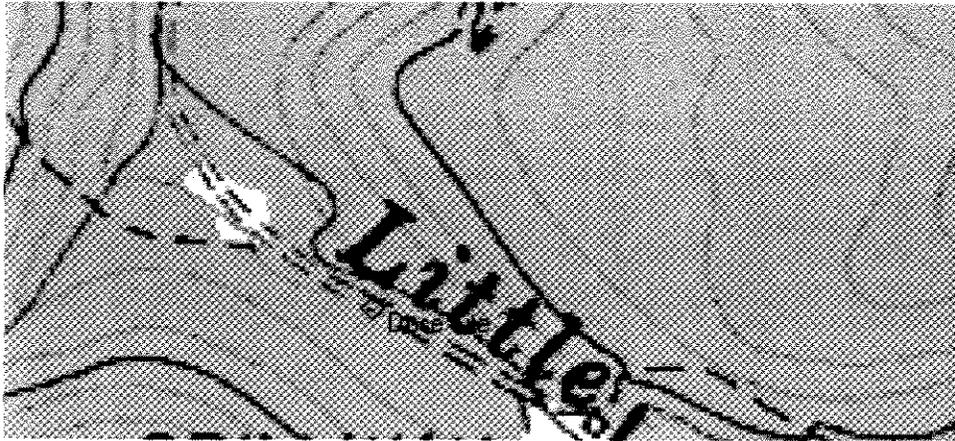
Dosing Site 1: South Fork of the Little Conemaugh River
Annual Dosing Rate = 26.8 tons



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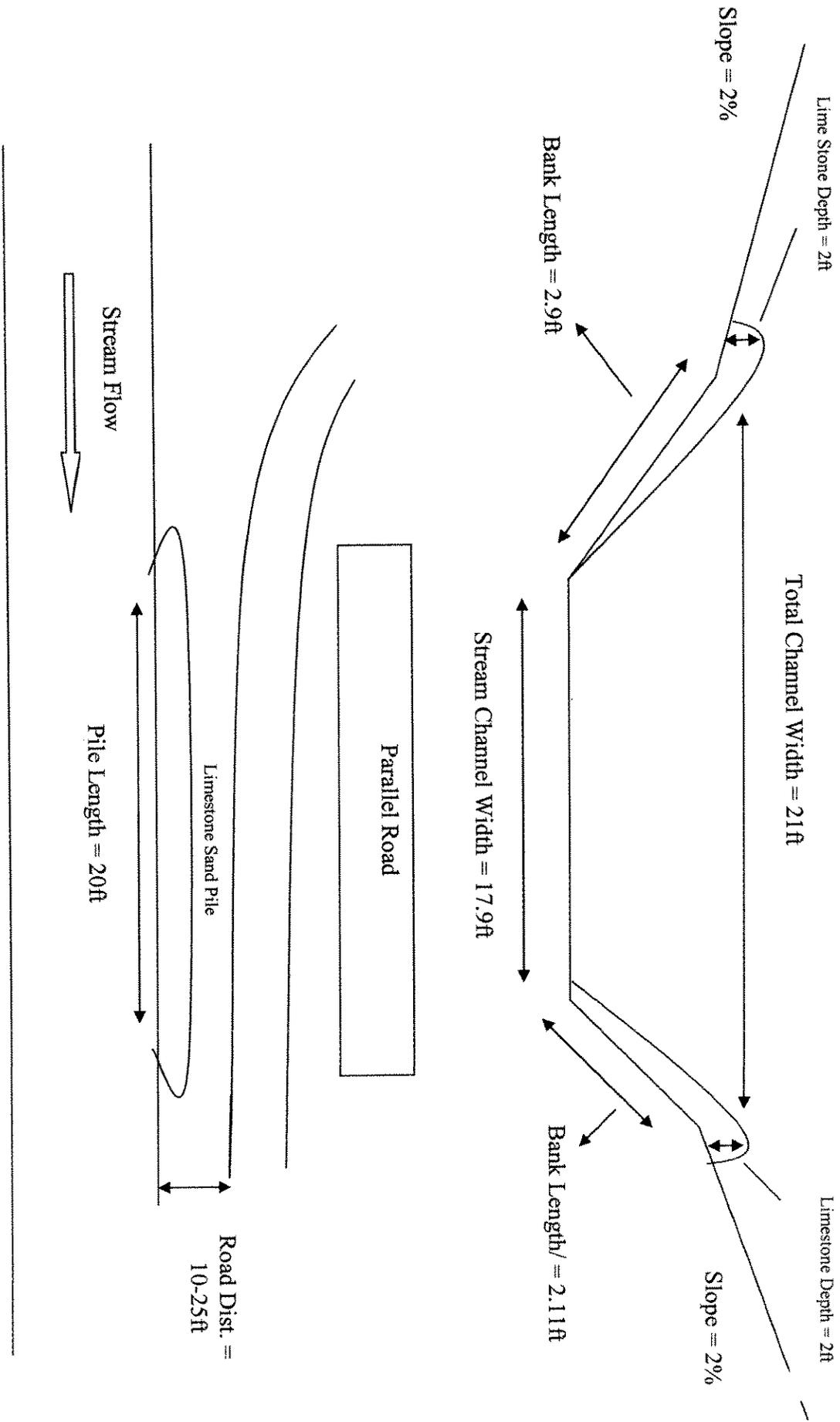
Dosing Site 2: Beside Dam

No houses within 1000ft, but a bridge is present downstream. Truck will use the existing Highland Water road that parallels the stream to access the site. No dosing/flooding issues noted.



Dosing Site 2 Below Dam
Annual Dosing Rate = 26.8 tons

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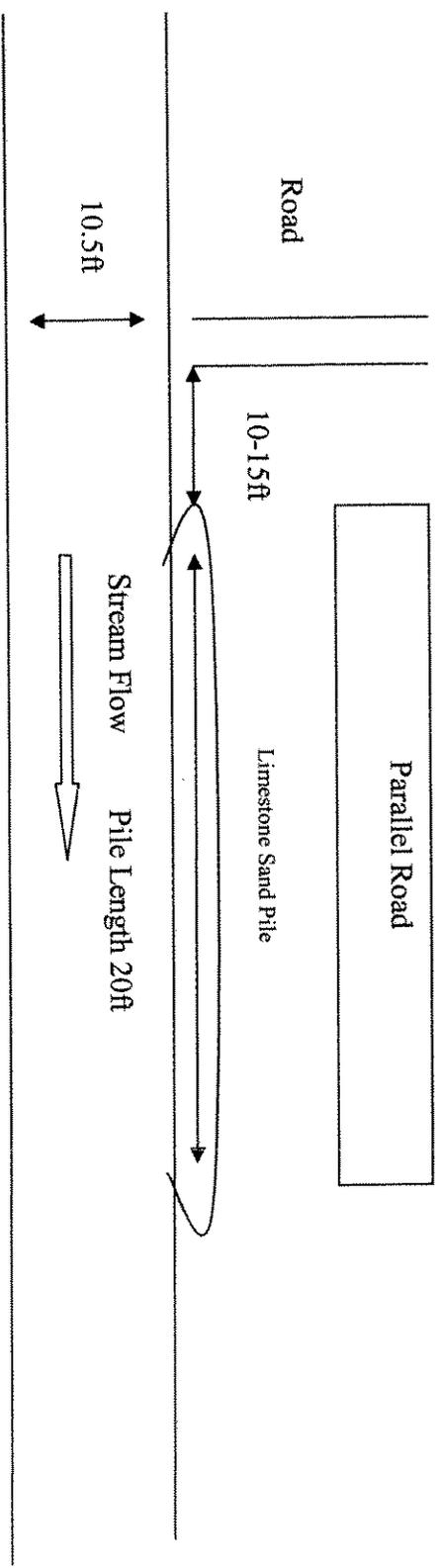
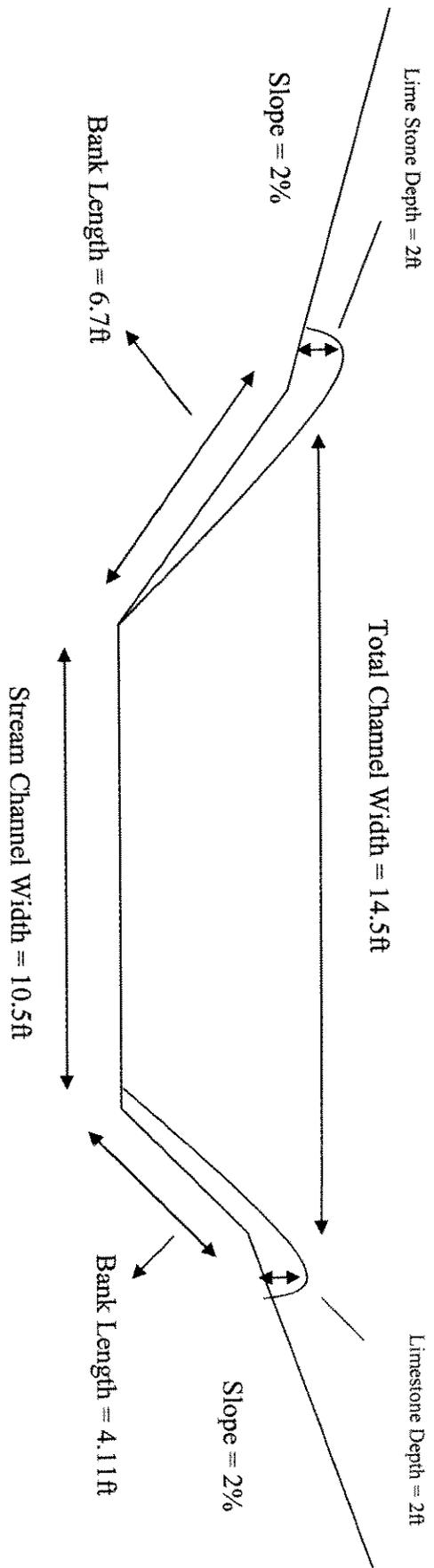
Dosing Site 3: Bottle Run

No roads or bridges within 1000ft of project. Truck will use the Dunlo Rod & Gun Club road crossing to access the site.



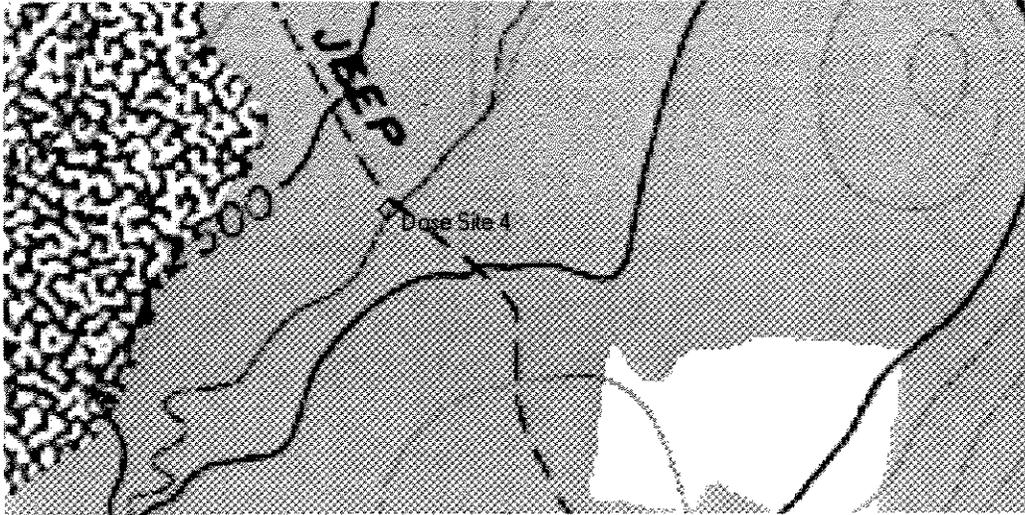
Dosing Site 3 Bottle Run
Annual Dosing Rate 23 tons

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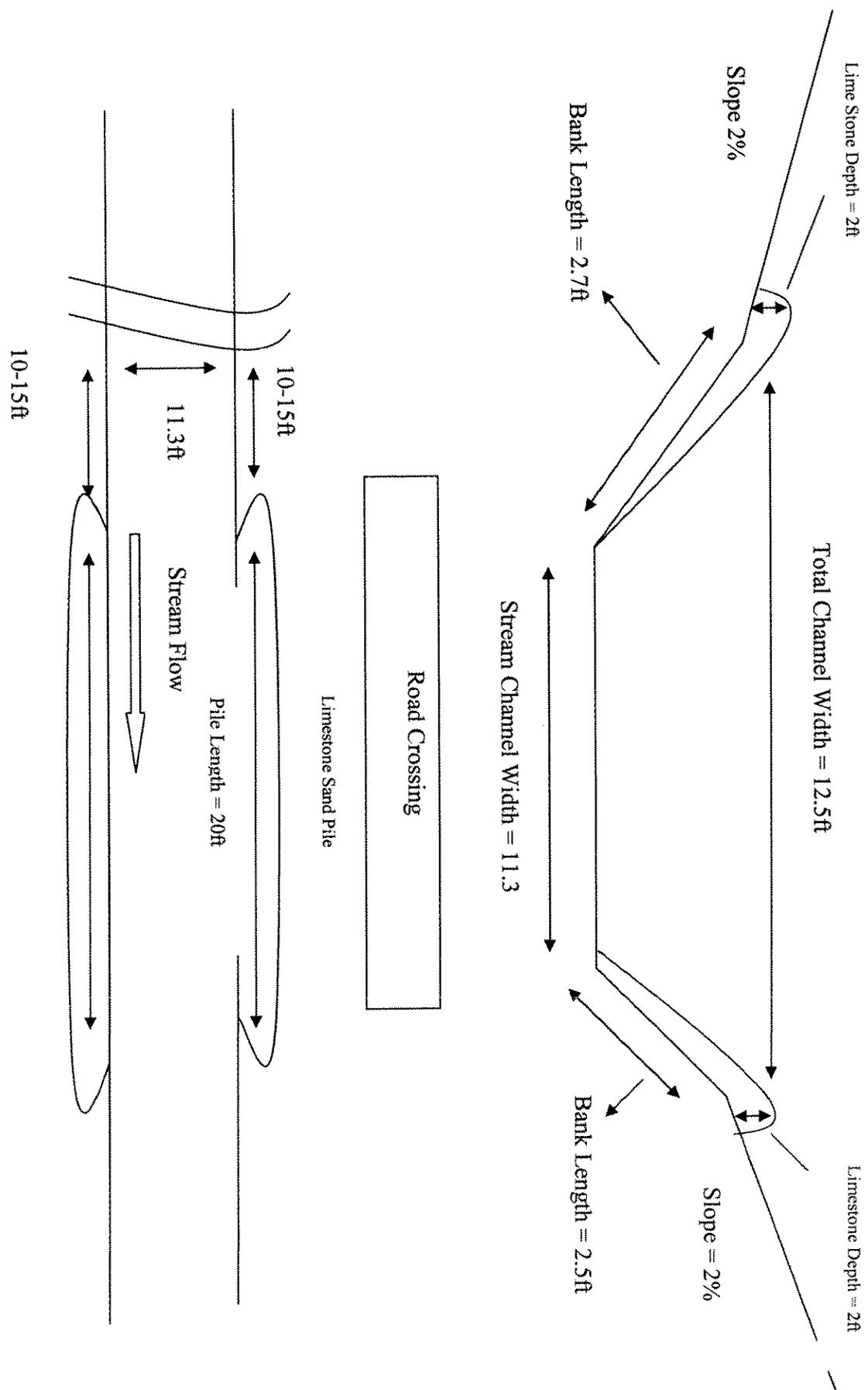


Dosing Site 4: Shanks Run

No bridges or houses within 1000ft downstream. Truck will use the Brence's jeep road to access the site.



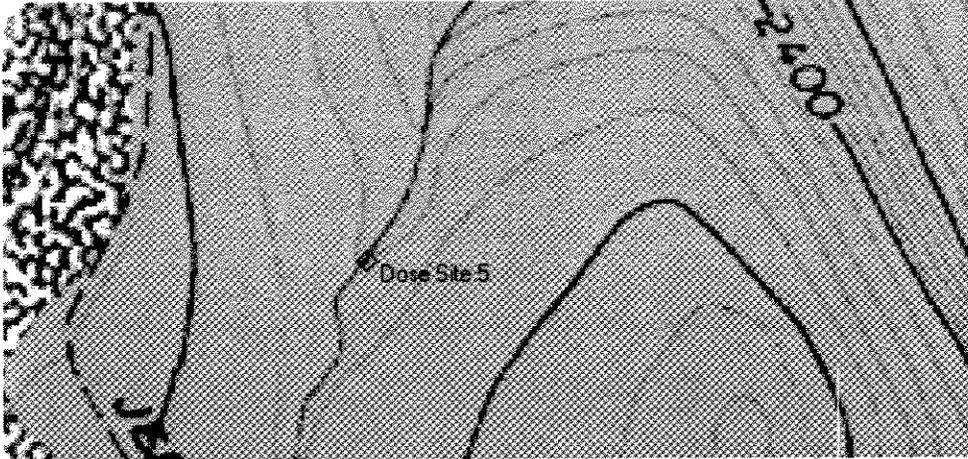
Dosing Site 5: Shanks Run
Annual Dosing Rate = 26.8 tons



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Dosing Site 5: Shanks Run

No bridges or houses within 1000ft downstream. Truck will use the Brencé's cabin road crossing to access the site



Dosing Site 5: Shanks Run
Annual Dosing Rate 26.8 tons

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