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SPECIFIC RESPONSES TO NBS REVIEW COMMENTS

We thank the National Biological Service (NBS) for taking the time to review the draft final report of the Interim Flows vegetation monitoring project. We document our responses to the NBS comments below.

* The format for the report was the standard format at the time of writing, and has been used on numerous previous reports. We took specific care to outline management impacts for each section so that concerned managers could understand options and potential strategies.

* We have included more detail on our methods.

* We opted for the use of scientific names all the way through. Specific terms like "xylem water potential" and "inundation frequency" are not jargon, but describe physiologically and ecologically relevant phenomena.

* We do not presume that "more and larger marshes are...better" for Grand Canyon. We do recognize wetlands as rare and threatened habitats in the Southwest which support endangered species (which should interest the NBS), and have specifically identified these patterns in numerous other reports and publications. Perhaps new NBS editors should review the existing literature.

* After reviewing the taxonomy of Equisetum, and recognizing that two spellings of the epithet have been widely published, the Ecological Society of America recommended spelling this species hyemale.

* We have endeavored to use place names as river miles (English units), but conduct our analyses using metric terms.

* We have re-edited the bibliography section and changed "Pierces Ferry" (the original, correct spelling) to the incorrect "Pearces Ferry" (apparently a USGS misspelling of the original). Also, we renumbered the appendices.

* We reformatted and re-fonted the entire text.

* Table 2.03 is now Table 2.01. The mean total basal area (cm^2/m^2) of 52.9 means there was, on average 52.9 cm^2 of clonal wet marsh basal cover/ m^2 . The term "sd" refers to 1 standard deviation around the mean.

* The NBS reviewer may be aware that vegetation assemblages are not always pure stands, and that riparian and even upland plant species occasionally are found in Grand Canyon marshes.

* Delivery of specimens to the Grand Canyon's collection has always been planned in these vegetation monitoring projects.

* Gooddings willow were relatively common at individual sites (e.g., Lees Ferry) during the pre-dam period. While a few Fremont cottonwood saplings occurred in the river corridor (particularly prior to 1982), the present crop may actually become a reproductively successful population, a condition which could result in substantial changes in corridor vegetation.

* Citing soon-to-be-published literature as In press is a standard practice in the scientific literature.

* Coyote will has been classified by the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service as a wetland obligate species in the Southwest, and our data clearly and unequivocally demonstrate that coyote willow is useful as a marsh indicator species.

* We have done our best to correct typographic errors in our species list, and we synthesized the numbering system used in the text and analyses.

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ABSTRACT

This report evaluates the effects of interim flows from Glen Canyon Dam on riparian vegetation in the Colorado River corridor in Grand Canyon National Park. Initiated in August, 1991, interim flows criteria were designed to protect fluvial ecosystem resources as the Bureau of Reclamation Environmental Impact Statement is completed. Thus, a report of no change or improvement of resource conditions signifies that the purposes for which interim flows were established are being achieved.

We documented short-term (3-yr) and longer-term (5-10 yr) effects of interim flows on the riparian vegetation in this system. Interim flows have permitted a rapid, downslope shift in fluvial marsh and riparian vegetation. Compositional changes related to increased drought stress are taking place on a longer-term basis in marshes and on other previously colonized lower riparian zone habitats. Under interim flows, previously established marshes not subjected to scour by tributary flooding decreased in area, while new marshes have become established throughout the river corridor. Mainstream marshes downstream from the Little Colorado River were partially scoured by combined flows of 1000 m³/s from Little Colorado River floods and mainstream flows in early 1993. The three short pulses of flooding scoured the lowest lying marsh vegetation and aggraded return current channels, demonstrating that planned floods conducted as short pulses of flows just above power plant capacity may negatively affect riparian vegetation development in this system.

Our specific conclusions include the following.

- 1) The 1993 marsh inventory revealed that wet marsh (cattail/reed) patch density/km between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek increased 3.5-fold over the 1991 total (n=253); however, total estimated fluvial wet marsh area decreased 22% from 9.0 ha to 7.03 ha. Areal losses were related to scour downstream from the Little Colorado River by the January-February 1993 floods, with marsh area losses of up to 90 percent in some narrow reaches. In contrast, the unflooded section of the river upstream from the Little Colorado River exhibited a very slight gain (0.3%) in marsh area during this period. Additional but smaller marshes have developed as a result of flooding impacts and interim flows effects. If these developing marshes are permitted to grow, marsh area can be expected to increase again dramatically; however, planned flooding will undoubtedly scour most of these new marshes, as well as much of the other "new dry" zone vegetation, from the river corridor.

- 2) Comparison of MIPS analysis of marsh area at 24 sites between 1988 and 1994 reveals a great increase in fluvial marsh area through time up to 1992; however, overall marsh area declined significantly between 1992 and 1993 as a result of Little Colorado River flooding and probably also because of decreased inundation frequency of marsh vegetation at higher stage elevations. These analyses suggest that interim flows are having the hypothesized effect of reducing marsh area and concentrating marsh growth along channel margins and return current channel (RCC) mouths.
- 3) Wet marsh cover above the maximum interim flows stage (566 m³/s) has decreased through the interim flows period, and composition has shifted towards dominance by woody phreatophytes (especially Salix exigua).
- 4) Silt-rich, low-slope shoreline habitats between the 425 and 566 m³/s stages (protected from daily inundation) have undergone primary colonization by wet marsh taxa during the interim flows period. Colonization occurred through clonal expansion of existing marsh stands in return current channel mouths and by primary colonization of reattachment point and channel margin settings.
- 5) Flooding of the Little Colorado River during the January and February 1993 demonstrated that short-duration (ca 5-day) flows of maximum powerplant discharge (950 m³/s) aggrade RCCs, increasing the baselevel and further reducing inundation frequency. Short-term floods are therefore unlikely to reactivate scour of RCC's, limiting the utility of such events in restoration of RCC habitats. Higher magnitude and/or longer duration flows are required to reform RCC habitats. However, such floods will eliminate increased marsh cover that has developed at low (425-566 m³/s) stages. The result of coupling an interim flows regime with planned mainstream and erratic tributary floods is likely to reduce fluvial marsh cover in this system.
- 6) Measurement of xylem water potential (XWP) and stem growth of Salix exigua growing along a moisture/elevational gradient at four sites was conducted to evaluate the effects of interim flows on water relations of a marsh indicator species. Measurements were taken at four sites during the pre-dawn and midday hours during low-, medium- and high-flow months in 1992 and 1993. We hypothesized that monthly flow volume would be negatively correlated with Salix xylem water potential, and that measurement of this parameter could be used as an effective monitoring method, as proposed by Stromberg et al. (1993). Willow XWP studies support the contention that interim flows have increased moisture stress on high bar locations: a) S. exigua growth was negatively correlated with stage elevation, stem age, stem length and basal area; b) temperature and relative humidity varied in relation to stage elevation, between day and night, between months in 1993 and between sites (over distance downstream from Glen Canyon Dam; and c) temperature and humidity-adjusted willow xylem water potential (XWP) varied by time of day, between study sites and between months; d) Log_n-transformed S. exigua annual stem growth was positively correlated with log_n-transformed distance downstream and with both mean monthly pre-dawn and mean mid-day adjusted XWP values, and was negatively correlated with log_n-transformed ramet age. We found that nearly 70 % of the variance in willow XWP was attributable to temperature and relative humidity.

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- 7) Controlling on-going invasions of non-native plants varies between species, with some species (e.g., Erianthus ravennae) that can be controlled relatively easily, and others (e.g. Lepidium latifolium) that may not.
- 8) MIPS analyses of 1991 and 1994 aerial photographs at six study areas revealed that although the overall cover of riparian vegetation at most study sites is static or increasing, the distribution of vegetation is shifting within sites. Sandbar riparian and wetland vegetation is concentrating between the 566 and 900 m³/s stages, and previously established S. exigua in high bar locations is dying back.
- 9) Relative axis 1 DECORANA species' scores on long-term quadrats in the lower riparian zone were lower in 1993 relative to 1992 scores, reflecting a gradual shift during interim flows towards sand bar species that are more drought tolerant. This was also supported by changes in individual species mean and sum basal areas on long-term quadrats in several lower riparian zone geomorphic settings.
- 10) The "new dry" zone, lying between the interim flows maximum flow stage (566 m³/s stage) and the "normal operations" stage (ca. 900 m³/s stage), is being quickly and actively colonized by riparian plants, particularly herbs, clonal phreatophytes and perennial grasses, with higher density but lower diversity on fine-grained (silty fine sand) substrata, as compare to cobble and boulder substrata.
- 11) GIS related mapping of five long-term study areas was completed and has been contributed to the GCES GIS database. We found support for the dynamic equilibrium hypothesis, the intermediate disturbance hypothesis and a geomorphic environments hypothesis, all of which combined helped explain patterns of plant diversity at these sites.

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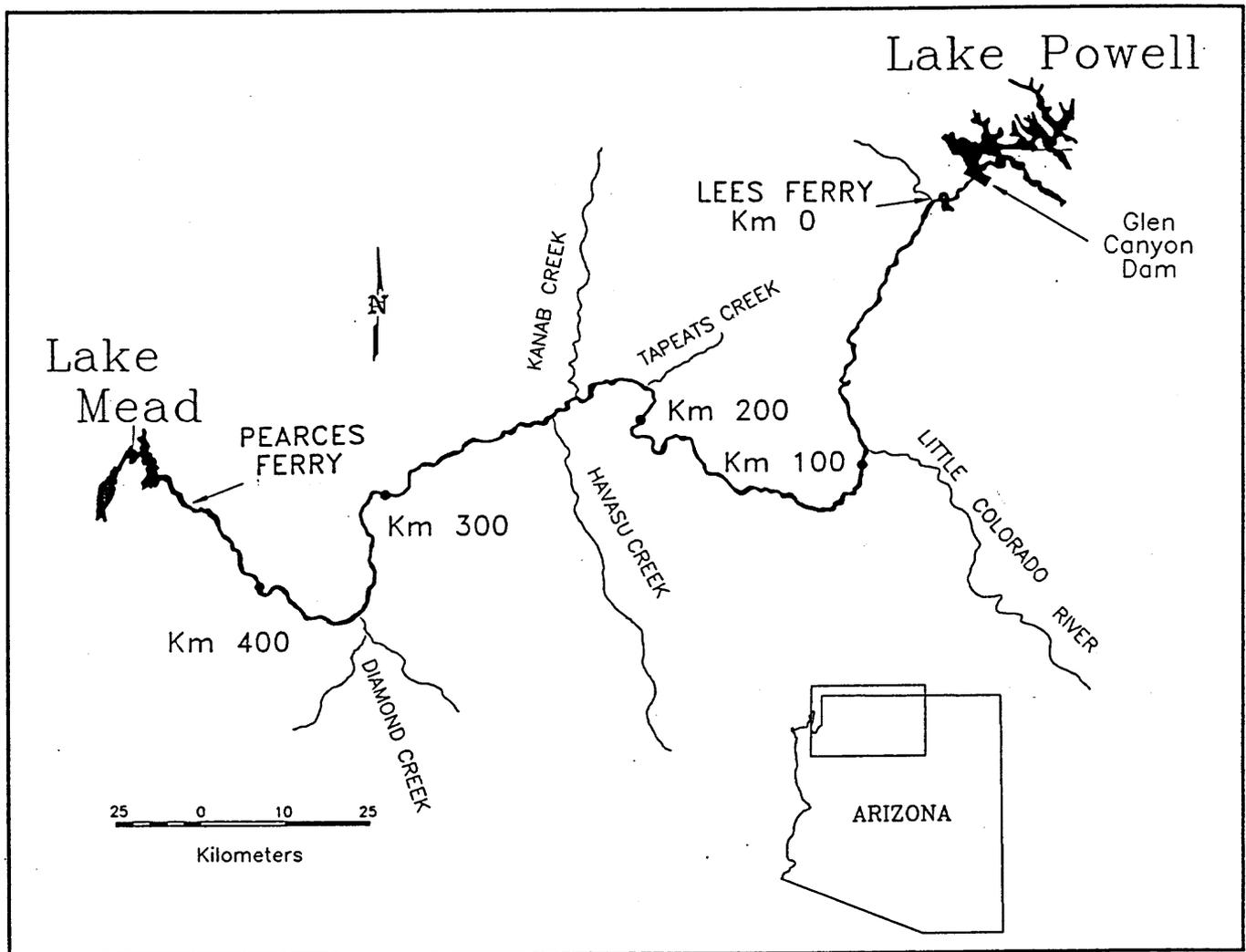


Figure 1.01: General map of the Colorado River downstream from Glen Canyon Dam, Arizona.

Colorado River at Lees Ferry

Daily Minimum and Maximum Discharge

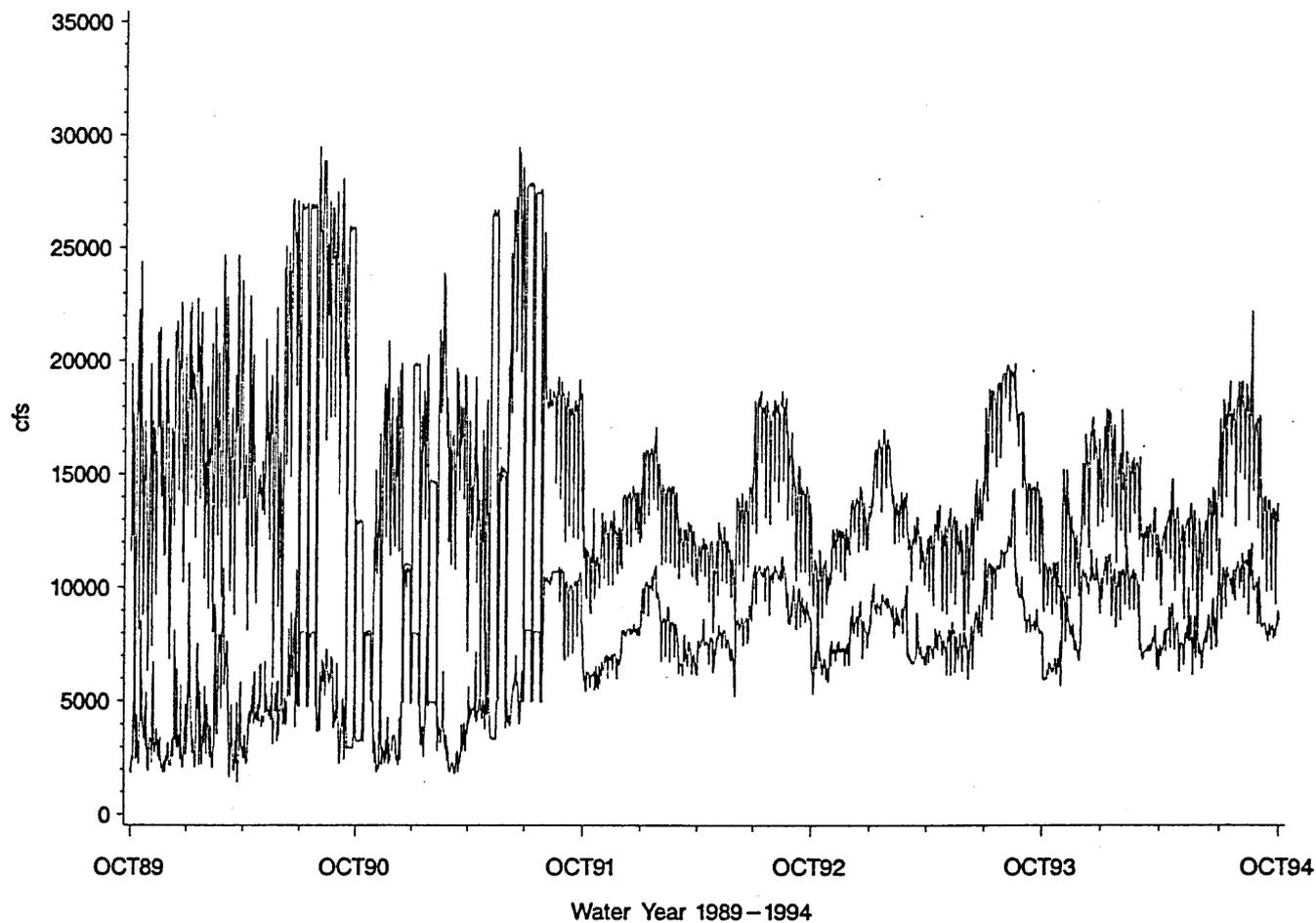


Figure 1.02: Flows from Glen Canyon Dam from October 1989 through October, 1994 measured at the U.S. Geological Survey gauging station at Lees Ferry, Arizona.

OBJECTIVES

The purpose of this study was to determine whether interim flows limited the impacts of Glen Canyon Dam operations on riparian vegetation resources in the Grand Canyon. We monitored the effects of interim flows on riparian vegetation composition and structure from 1992 to 1994, using comparably collected data from the Glen Canyon Environmental Studies Phase II program (Patten 1990). This study describes interim flows effects on the rate and trajectories of the riparian plant community development, fluvial/terrestrial ecosystem interactions, population changes in exotic plant species, and the risk status of endemic species.

Our specific objectives included the following.

1. Monitor the effects of interim flows from Glen Canyon Dam on the distribution, extent and development of fluvial marshes along the Colorado River from Glen Canyon Dam to Diamond Creek.
2. Monitor the effects of interim flows from Glen Canyon Dam on the distribution and development of other new high water zone plant assemblages between Glen Canyon Dam and Diamond Creek.
3. Prepare monitoring data for inclusion into the GCES/NPS GIS database.

In addition, we provide information on the effects of Little Colorado River flooding in January-February, 1993 on marsh and lower riparian zone vegetation. These observations are relevant to on-going discussions regarding the role of planned flooding as a management strategy in this system.

METHODS AND STRUCTURE OF THIS REPORT

We conducted 11 research river trips from June 1992 to June 1994 during low-, medium-, and high-flow months through the Colorado River in Grand Canyon National Park between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek, in accord with our proposed schedule (Table 1.01; Fig. 1.01). Staffing and equipment costs on these trips were borne by this project, and logistics were provided by O.A.R.S., Inc. and by personal contributions of equipment. Research river trips staff included of several Northern Arizona University (NAU) staff and NPS personnel, and hiring protocol for field and laboratory assistants conformed to that required by the NAU Human Resources Department. We were assisted by numerous volunteers who were supported through the Volunteers In Parks Program at Grand Canyon National Park.

Riparian vegetation research in GCES Phase II focused on species diversity and variation in riparian vegetation associated with typical geomorphic settings at sites studied by Stevens and Ayers (1993) during GCES Phase II, and additional sites were used to address other study objectives (Table 1.02; Appendix A).

Included with this report is an administrative summary documenting the expenditures associated with this project. This project was initiated later than anticipated, but we were able to accomplish the prescribed research, monitoring and reporting on schedule.

Table 1.01: Research river trips summary, 1993 to 1994.

TRIP DATES	PURPOSE OF TRIP	# NAU	# VIP'S (HRS WORK)	FEDERAL & OTHER STAFF
14-29 Aug, 1992	Quadrat and transect reestablishment	5	5 (640)	2
16 Sep-2 Oct, 1992	Census marsh transects	8	2 (272)	9
16 Oct-2 Nov, 1992	Complete censusing	8	8 (1152)	6
12-23 March, 1993	Priority site mapping	1	3 (288)	0
4-20 May, 1993	Spring marsh and trib monitoring, mapping, XWP ¹ , surveying	7	14 (1904)	3
2-14 June, 1993	Mapping, light measurement XWP, tributary plots wrap-up	3.5	6 (624)	2
8-19 July, 1993	Mapping, light measurement XWP	3	6 (576)	2
8-24 Sept, 1993	Mainstream plot monitoring, marsh inventory, mapping, XWP, surveying	5	7 (952)	7
1-20 Oct, 1993	XWP	1	1 (53)	0
29 Oct-14 Nov, '93	Fall marsh monitoring, mapping, XWP wrap-up, productivity wrap-up	7	7 (952)	4
15 Apr-1 May, 1994	Marsh censuses	5	7 (1088)	7
26 May-9 Jun, 1994	Mapping	1	4 (480)	2

¹ XWP = Xylem water potential studies

Table 1.02: Study sites in the Colorado River corridor, Grand Canyon National Park.

MILE/ SIDE*	TYPE OF STUDY SITE	USE IN THIS STUDY
0.0R*	Mapping	Veg. Mapping
0.7R	Paria River Tributary	LT ¹ Tributary Quads
8.0L	LTS**	LT Quads
8.0L	Badger Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
19.9L	Marsh	LRZ ² Marsh MIPS Analysis
20.5R	North Cyn. Tributary LTS	LT Tributary Quads
26.0R	Marsh	Off-river MIPS Control Site
30.0L	30 Mile Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
31.5R	LTS	LT Quads
31.8R	Vaseys Tributary LTS	LT Tributary Quads
37.0L	Marsh	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis
43.1L	Marsh, Mapping	Marsh Transects, Veg. Mapping, LRZ, MIPS, XWP ³
47.0R	Saddle Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
50.0L	Marsh, XWP	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, XWP
51.3L	Marsh, Mapping, LTS	LT Quads, LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, Veg. Mapping
51.6L	Marsh, Mapping	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, Veg. Mapping
51.9R	Little Nankoweap Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
52.2R	Nankoweap Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
53.0R	Marsh	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis
55.5R	Marsh, Mapping	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, Veg. Mapping,
61.0	Mapping	Veg. Mapping
61.0R	Little Colorado R. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
64.7R	Carbon Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
68.2R	Mapping, LTS	LT Quads, Veg. Mapping
71.0L	Marsh, Mapping, LTS	LT Quads, LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, Veg. Mapping
76.5R	Marsh	Off-river MIPS Control Site
98.0R	Crystal Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
103.9R	LTS	LT Quads
106.0L	Serpentine Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
109.0R	Shinummo Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
119.0R	LTS	LT Quads
122.1R	122-Mile Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
122.1R	LTS, Mapping	LT Quads, Veg Mapping

Table 1.02 (continued)

MILE/ SIDE*	TYPE OF STUDY SITE	USE IN THIS STUDY
122.8L	Marsh, Mapping, LTS	LT Quads, LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, Veg. Mapping
126.0L	126 Mile Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
133.5R	Tapeats Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
136.0L	Deer Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
136.5R	Marsh	LRZ and Off-river Control MIPS Sites
137.0R	LTS, Mapping	LT Quads, Veg Mapping
143.5R	LTS, Mapping	LT Quads, Veg Mapping
143.5R	Kanab Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
145.0L	LTS	LT Quads
148.0L	Matkatamiba Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
157.0L	Havasu Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
166.0	Mapping	Veg. Mapping
171.5L	Marsh, XWP	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis, XWP
171.5L	Mohawk Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
172.1L	LTS	LT Quads
179.5L	Marsh, XWP	Off-river Control MIPS Analysis
182.7R	LTS	LT Quads
194.1L	Marsh, LTS, Mapping, XWP	LRZ Marsh MIPS, LT Quads, Veg Mapping, XWP
198.0R	Marsh	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis
198.5R	Parashant Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
209.0	Mapping	Veg. Mapping
213.0R	LTS	LT Quads
219.9R	LTS	LT Quads
220.0R	220 Mile Cyn. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads
225.0R	Marsh	LRZ Marsh MIPS Analysis
225.7L	Diamond Cr. Tributary	LT Tributary Quads

* Left or Right side of the river, looking downstream

¹ LT - Long-term quadrat studies

² LRZ - lower riparian zone (< 1,275 m³/s)

³ XWP - xylem water potential studies

Specific Objectives

Objective 1: Interim flow effects on mainstream marshes.

We used two approaches to pursue this objective. This first component of study consisted of investigation of fluvial marsh development from system-wide to local/microsite spatial scales, following the protocols established by Stevens and Ayers (1993) and Stevens et al. (1995). These results are presented in Chapter II.

a) We conducted a comprehensive field inventory of fluvial marshes between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek in 1993 and compared the results with those of Stevens and Ayers (1992) and Stevens et al. (1995). These data allowed us to compare changes in fluvial marsh distribution and cover in relation to the geomorphic reaches (Schmidt and Graf 1990) from 1991 to 1993 (Table 1.02; Fig. 1.01; Appendices B, C).

b) To relate marsh cover changes to pre-interim flow conditions, we examined 1988, 1990, 1991 and 1992 aerial still- and video- photography of 20 fluvial and 4 spring-fed marshes using MIPS analysis (Table 1.02; Fig. 1.01). The spring-fed marshes were located in close proximity to the river, but upslope of interim flow stages, and therefore serve as controls against which to evaluate change in fluvial marsh cover.

c) A total of 8 study sites were used for detailed marsh studies: 43L, 51L, 56R, 71L, 123L, 172L, 194L, 213L (Table 1.02; Figs. 1.01, 1.03). Transect topography and marsh species composition and basal area were monitored at permanently georeferenced sites used by Stevens et al. (1995) during GCES Phase II.

The second form of analysis of interim flow impacts entailed analysis of drought stress responses of a marsh indicator species, Salix exigua, and these results are presented separately in Chapter 3. Four marsh study sites were selected to examine plant moisture stress in Salix exigua. This species was selected as an indicator of marsh responses to interim flows because it widely co-occurs with marsh taxa, such as Typha spp. and Phragmites australis. Closure of the 51L site for Southwest willow flycatcher (Empidonax trailii extimus) protection precluded use of that site for Salix studies, forcing us to use 50L marsh as a nearby substitute.

Objective 2: Interim flow effects on other riparian vegetation.

We pursued this objective through several avenues, which are presented in Chapter 4.

a) We continued to collect and identify plant species from the river corridor and surrounding xeric uplands (Appendix A). Specimens are currently housed in the Northern Arizona University Deaver Herbarium and vouchers are being prepared for transfer to Grand Canyon National Park. Because plant diversity in Grand Canyon is now rather well known, we focused our attention on the distribution of rare, endemic, non-native and selected indicator species.

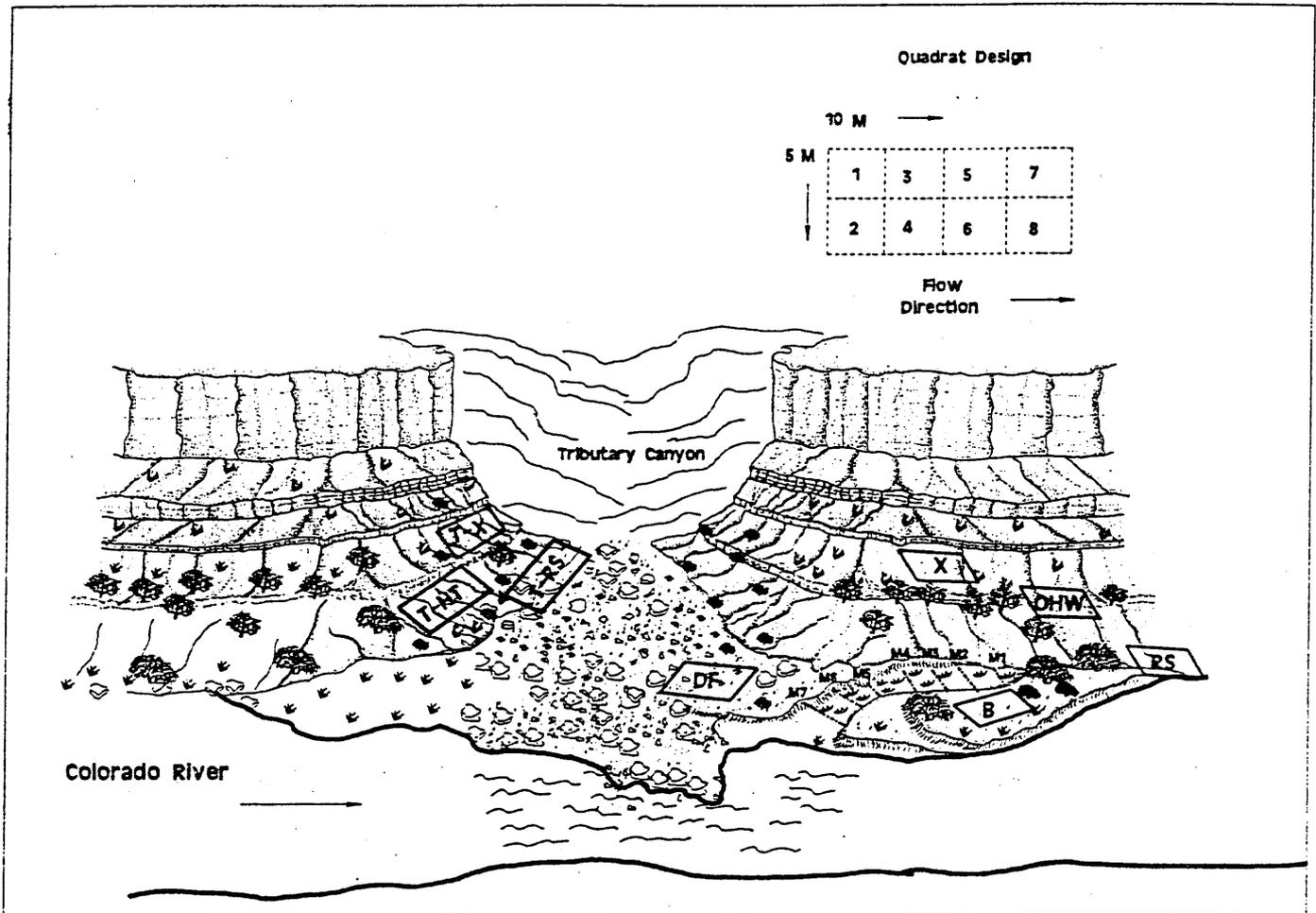


Figure 1.03 Diagram showing quadrat location in six geomorphic settings at a typical tributary mouth/recirculation zone along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, Arizona. Mainstream quadrats included xeric (X), old high water (OHW), debris fan (DF), riparian strip (RS, channel margin), bar platform (B, general beach), and a series of 1.0 m-wide fluvial marsh belt transects (M) in the return current channel.

b) We analyzed vegetation cover on low level aerial photographs of selected study sites (Table 1.02) taken in late July, 1991. We compared vegetation cover in several geomorphic settings with June 1994 aerial photographs of these same study sites.

c) Twenty study areas were selected and established in Grand Canyon under the GCES Phase II program (Table 1.02; Figs. 1.01; Appendix D). Each study area contained 5 m x 10 m permanent quadrats in the following geomorphic environments: marsh (where possible), bar platform, channel margin and debris fan habitats (Fig. 1.03). We were advised by Grand Canyon National Park during proposal development to avoid monitoring upper riparian and desert zone quadrats during this study. These results are presented in Chapter IV.

d) To increase the sample size of study plots, we also measured vegetation cover on two randomly selected 5 m x 10 m quadrats in fine and coarse substrata in the "new dry" and "new high water" zones, respectively, through the geomorphic reaches (Schmidt and Graf 1990). We were particularly interested in the germination success of Tamarix and other perennial and weed species on a system-wide basis.

Objective 3. Prepare data for inclusion into the GCES/NPS GIS database.

We compiled the above data for inclusion into the GCES database in Lotus 123 format. In addition, we mapped topography, geomorphology, soil particle size and plant species distribution at five permanent study sites, including 43L, 56R, 68R, 123L and 209L (Table 1.02, Fig. 1.01). These data were incorporated into the GCES GIS and were analyzed to determine the relationships between geomorphology, plant diversity and the distribution of plant associations. These results are presented in Chapter 5.

We summarize the results of each of the above subobjectives and contribute our perspectives on management considerations in Chapter 6. We list the publications and presentations given on this project in Appendix E.

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INTRODUCTION

Fluvial marshes are diverse, productive patches of wetland vegetation that develop along rivers. Along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, fluvial marshes develop in low velocity geomorphic environments where inundation frequency is high and soils are silty, particularly return current channels (RCCs; Stevens and Ayers 1993). System-wide, reach-based and local/microsite spatial scale differences influence the interpretation of marsh vegetation cover and compositional changes in the Colorado River corridor in Grand Canyon National Park between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek, Arizona (Stevens et al. 1995). At the inception of interim flows, marsh assemblages were found to be non-randomly distributed, with increased marsh cover in wide reaches, but increased density of smaller marshes with distance downstream (Stevens et al. 1995). Marshes provide cover and food resources for numerous avifaunal and wildlife species, including migrant and breeding waterfowl, Empidonax trailii extimus, Geothlypis trichas, Castor canadensis, and Odocoileus hemionus. We monitored cover and composition of fluvial marshes from 1991 through 1993, the first two years of interim flows.

METHODS

Study Design

Because of the overwhelming influence of geomorphology on marsh distribution and composition, we monitored fluvial marsh development at several spatial scales, including: a system-wide inventory of marsh distribution and cover; a reach-based analysis of serial aerial photographs of selected marshes; and local-scale and microsite monitoring of 1.0 m² plots and topography (Tables 1.01, 1.02), as described below.

We conducted a comprehensive field inventory of fluvial marshes between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek after the methods of Stevens et al. (1995). Stevens recorded all marsh patches, their composition and estimated size, during two river trips in the autumn of 1993. These data were compared with Stevens 1991 inventory of fluvial marshes between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek (Stevens et al. 1995). All marshes were identified as to location, side of the river, composition, and estimated length and width (multiplied together to estimate area). Stevens focused his 1993 inventory on Juncus spp./Scirpus spp./Typha spp./Phragmites australis marshes, and did not record Equisetum spp. patches, which have become so numerous and large in this system that they cannot be reliably inventoried with this method. These data also allowed us to compare changes in fluvial marsh distribution from 1991 to 1993 in relation to Schmidt and Graf's (1990) 11 geomorphic reaches.

We tested the accuracy of area estimation by comparing estimated and measured lengths and widths of 27 marshes of different sizes in the river corridor. Area estimates were strongly positively correlated with ground-truthed measurements:

$$A_e = 0.844A_m - 1.467$$

$$(r^2 = 0.992, F_{1,25} = 3319.7, p < 0.00001)$$

where A_e (m^2) is estimated length (m) * estimated width (m) and A_m is the measured length * measured width. Our length estimates were slightly more accurate than width estimates:

$$L_e = 0.914L_m + 0.055$$

$$(r^2 = 0.988, F_{1,25} = 2134.545, p < 0.00001)$$

$$W_e = 0.863W_m + 0.057$$

$$(r^2 = 0.931, F_{1,25} = 350.113, p < 0.00001)$$

where L_e , L_m , W_e and W_m are estimated and measured length and width, respectively.

This inventory procedure provides an effective, cost-efficient, system-wide estimate of developing marsh area, provided it is consistently performed by individuals who are thoroughly trained and are intimately familiar with the river corridor; however, as other observers take over monitoring in 1994 and subsequently, we doubt that any conclusive data can be generated using this method until sufficient between-year replication can be evaluated for the observers involved.

To assess changes in the area of individual fluvial marshes between years in more detail, we examined serial video- and still image aerial photographs from the Bureau of Reclamation for 20 lower riparian zone (LRZ), and four adjacent, but off-river, spring-fed marshes (off-river) using the Map and Image Processing System (MIPS; Table 1.02). The LRZ marshes were distributed throughout the river corridor, and were selected on the basis of distribution within geomorphic reaches established by Schmidt and Graf (1990). The four off-river marshes constituted a set of control sites against which to evaluate changes in wetland vegetation not induced by dam operations. Photograph series included: 28 May, 1988 (still photography, variable flow); 4-5 June, 1990 (still photography, constant 142 m^3/s); July 28-29, 1991 (video, constant 142 m^3/s); 10-11 October, 1992 (still photography, constant 142 m^3/s); 28-31 May, 1993 (still photography, constant 227 m^3/s), 1 June, 1994 (still photography, constant 227 m^3/s). Several of these marshes were under study by Stevens in 1984-1986, providing additional background data on marsh development (Stevens et al. 1995). The 1991 video imagery was collected immediately prior to implementation of interim flows on 1 August, 1991, and therefore provides a good baseline for the analysis of interim flows effects.

During interim flows, discharge rarely, if ever, exceeded the maximum interim flows limit of 566 m^3/s ; however, the Little Colorado River (LCR) generated three large (ca. 10-yr return frequency events) in January and February, 1993. These floods increased mainstream river discharge to approximately 935 m^3/s (33,000 cfs) for several weeks and scoured newly established vegetation from low-lying portions of channel margins and sand bars. The total duration of flood peaks was less than 5 d, but mainstream flows remained above 700 m^3/s for nearly a month. The May, 1993 photograph series was taken three months after recession of these 10-year floods, and therefore provides information on flood impacts, with controls above the LCR having no flood effects.

Marsh area was mapped at approximately 1:4,800 scale from the photographs and scanned into MIPS. Two or more ground control points that were identifiable on all photographs were measured in the field, and the data were transferred to MIPS. Plan view area measurements of marshes were then calculated. Precision tests revealed that standard deviations were 1.85% of the mean for three sets of six replicated measurements on single, complex polygons. Video images were digitized directly off the MIPS screen. Mean marsh area was calculated for LRZ marshes by pooling all fluvial marsh sizes. Areas of the 20 LRZ and the four adjacent off-river (spring-fed) marshes were analyzed using the nonparametric Friedman test with years as treatments and marshes as blocks.

We monitored the topography of pre-established belt transects in the seven detailed study site marshes in the fall of 1992 and 1993, and compared results with our 1991 baseline data (Tables 1.01, 1.02). One site (71L, Cardenas Marsh) was not sampled in 1992 because of southwest willow flycatcher nesting. These marsh plots were topographically surveyed at 1.0 m intervals on a biannual schedule from 1992 to 1994, using the standard electronic land surveying protocol of the GCES Program. These data have been compiled into the GCES information management system, and have been related to inundation frequency changes at these sites. Because these plots are georeferenced in relation to local and, where possible, GCES GIS geographic control, these data form a useful long-term baseline against which to measure future change in marsh topography and composition.

We monitored the basal area of all species occurring in the large, stratified (by elevation), random 1.0 m x 1.0 m plots in belt transects on the seven study sites used by Stevens et al. (1995). Fifty-one (where possible) 1.0 m² plots were selected from each study site, and unvegetated plots were subsequently excluded, providing an initial group of 307 randomly selected 1.0 m² plots (Fig. 2.01). We estimated the number and mean basal diameter of species with exceptionally great stem density. Springtime (April/May) data have also been compiled, but provide relatively little information that can be related to marsh changes. The reason for this is that perennial marsh vegetation is deciduous, and newly emerging ramets of Typha, Phragmites, Scirpus and other taxa poorly represent the dominance of these species on the plots during the spring months. Therefore, we focused our analyses on autumn census data. We classified marsh vegetation associations using TWINSPAN (Hill 1979) on the 1991 matrix data. We constructed a matrix of the total basal area of each of 76 plant taxa that occurred in these plots in 1991 to classify distinctive associations. Seedlings are particularly difficult to distinguish and several groups were pooled, including: Sonchus asper and Lactuca serriola and seedling Bromus spp. grasses.

Plot data provided an assessment of microscale marsh community dynamics on these long-term, georeferenced belt transect plots. We compared the mean basal area/m² of dominant marsh species for autumn censuses between years on each site using graphical and simple linear regression techniques. Plot data for 1991, 1992 and 1993 were also compared using species loading scores derived from detrended correspondence analysis (DECORANA, Ter Braak 1992). We ranked the species loading scores for the first three axes in each year, and compared the ranked scores for each axis over the three years using a Friedman test, with species as blocks (SYSTAT, Wilkinson 1991). Species with high factor loading scores on axis 1 occur in frequently inundated sites (Stevens et al. 1995), whereas those with high scores on axis 2 occur on soils with finer texture. This ranked analysis provides a conservative evaluation of marsh change through time.

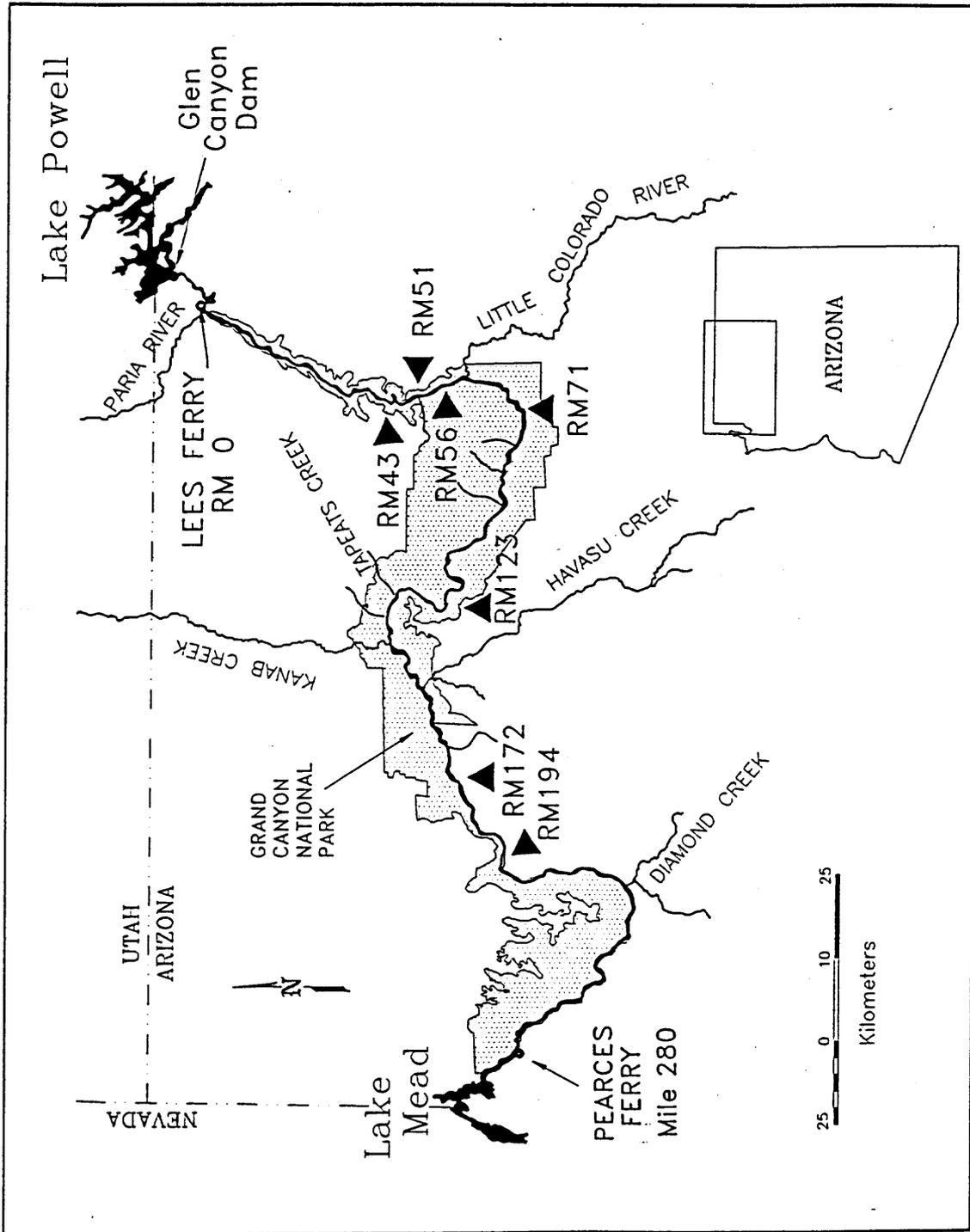


Figure 2.01: Map of seven study marshes on which marsh transects were monitored.

RESULTS

Classification

Marsh plant associations used in the following description of historical marsh development were derived from TWINSpan analyses of the plots data. The first TWINSpan division distinguished a wet marsh assemblage and a phreatophyte/dry marsh assemblage (Table 2.01). The second TWINSpan division of the wet marsh vegetation distinguished a cattail/reed association (*Typha domingensis*, *Phragmites australis*, *Juncus* spp.) from a non-clonal herbaceous horseweed/Bermuda-grass association (*Conyza canadensis*, *Cynodon dactylon*). The phreatophyte/dry marsh group separated a woody perennial tamarisk/arrowweed (*Tamarix ramosissima*, *Pluchea sericea*) association from a dry marsh horsetail/willow (hybrid *Equisetum* and *Salix exigua*) association. A minor xeric/upland component was also noted within the tamarisk/arrowweed assemblage. In this report we focused on the marsh associations.

TWINSpan may also prove to be useful as a monitoring tool in itself. Although not presented here changes in the classification scheme between years may be used to illustrate changes in dominance of indicator species. Therefore, we intend to continue improving marsh classification at periodic intervals.

Fluvial Marsh Inventory

Our 1993 inventory revealed 895 wet marsh patches (7.0 ha) in the lower riparian zone of the Colorado River between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek, not including 33 marshes (3.5 ha) associated with tributary mouths or springs (Table 2.02). Wet marsh patch density/km increased 3.5-fold over the 1991 system-wide total (253); however, estimated marsh area decreased from 9.0 ha in 1991. The great increase in wet marsh density/km reflects the large number of small, wet marsh patches that are presently colonizing channel margin and low velocity habitats colonizing throughout the river corridor. Despite this large increase in marsh density, total marsh area decreased between inventories. The reaches downstream from the LCR had been scoured by the January-February 1993 floods decreased in area most strongly, with marsh area losses of up to 90 percent in some narrow reaches. In contrast, the four unflooded reaches upstream from the LCR exhibited a slight gain in marsh area.

MIPS Analysis of Aerial Photographs

Fluvial marsh area increased significantly from 1988 through 1992, and then decreased significantly in 1993. Friedman $T_{5,55} = 37.345$, $p < 0.001$. The critical rank sum difference between years (11.3) demonstrated the following pattern for 12 mainstream marshes for which all years were represented:

$$1988 < 1990 < 1991 < 1992 > 1993 = 1994$$

with rank sum values for 1988, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993 and 1994 of 12, 30, 45.5, 62, 48.5 and 54, respectively (Table 2.03). Marsh area increased between 1988 and 1990, a period of nearly

Table 2.01: Four marsh plant associations derived from TWINSPAN analysis of 307 1.0 plots in 7 fluvial marshes, and associated mean inundation frequency, mean soil texture, mean total basal area (cm²/m²) and mean species richness/m².

MARSH ASSOCIATION	MEAN INUNDATION FREQUENCY (n, 1 sd)	MEAN SOIL TEXTURE	MEAN TOTAL BASAL AREA (cm ² /m ²) (1 sd)	SPECIES RICHNESS (S/m ²) (1 sd)
1. CLONAL WET MARSH (CATTAIL/REED) <u>Typha domingensis</u> , <u>Phragmites australis</u> , <u>Juncus torreyana</u> , <u>Carex aquatilis</u> , <u>Equisetum arvense</u> , <u>Scirpus validus</u> , <u>Agrostis stolonifera</u> , <u>Echinochloa crus-galli</u> , <u>Veronica anagallis-aquatica</u>	0.54 (50, 0.251)	silty loam	52.9 (80.931)	4.6 (2.914)
2. NONCLONAL WET MARSH (HORSEWEED) <u>Conyza canadensis</u> , <u>Polygonum aviculare</u> , <u>Cynalon dactylon</u> , <u>Melilotus alba</u> , <u>M. officinale</u>	0.17 (43, 0.170)	loamy sand	14.7 (14.554)	4.9 (2.320)
3. WOODY PHREATOPHYTE (TAMARISK/ARROWWEED) <u>Tamarix ramosissima</u> , <u>Pluchea sericea</u> , <u>Alhagi camelorum</u> , <u>Artemisia ludoviciana</u> , <u>Aster spinosus</u> , <u>Baccharis salicifolia</u> , <u>Bromus rubens</u> , <u>Centaurium calycosum</u> , <u>Epilobium adenocaulon</u> , <u>Erigeron divergens</u> , <u>Gnaphalium chilense</u> , <u>Gutierrezia sarothrae</u> , <u>Hordeum jubatum</u> , <u>Oenothera hookeri</u> , <u>O. pallida</u> , <u>Salix gooddingii</u> , <u>Salsola iberica</u> , <u>Sonchus asper</u> , <u>Sporobolus cryptandrus</u> , <u>Sporobolus contractus</u> , <u>Xanthium strumarium</u>	0.16 (68, 0.197)	sand	39.9 (86.812)	4.5 (2.465)

Table 2.01 (continued)

MARSH ASSOCIATION	MEAN INUNDATION FREQUENCY (n, 1 sd)	MEAN SOIL TEXTURE	MEAN TOTAL BASAL AREA (cm ² /m ²) (1 sd)	SPECIES RICHNESS (S/m ²) (1 sd)
4. DRY MARSH (HORSETAIL/WILLOW) Hybrid <u>Equisetum</u> , <u>Salix exigua</u> , <u>Ambrosia</u> sp., <u>Andropogon glomeratus</u> , <u>Artemesia dracunculoides</u> , <u>Aster subulatus</u> , <u>Baccharis emoryi</u> , <u>Bromus tectorum</u> , <u>Bromus willdenowii</u> , <u>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</u> , <u>Corispermum nitidum</u> , <u>Dicoria brandegei</u> , <u>Elymus canadensis</u> , <u>Juncus</u> sp., <u>Lepidium latifolium</u> , <u>Muhlenbergia asperifolia</u> , <u>Plantago lanceolata</u> , <u>Plantago major</u> , <u>Polypogon monspeliensis</u> , <u>Solidago canadensis</u> , <u>Sporobolus flexuosus</u> , <u>Taraxacum officinale</u>	0.18 (146, 0.194)	sand	16.4 (19.456)	4.7 (2.459)

Table 2.02 (continued)

REACH	MEAN RCH LENGTH (KM) *		RCH WIDTH (M) **	1991 MARSH No/km		1993 MARSH No/km		MEAN 1991 MSH AREA (HA)		MEAN 1993 MSH AREA (HA)		1991 TOTAL MSH AREA (HA)		1993 TOTAL MSH AREA (HA)	
	(KM) *	(M) **		1991 MARSH No/km	1993 MARSH No/km	1991 MSH AREA (HA)	1993 MSH AREA (HA)	1991 MSH AREA (HA)	1993 MSH AREA (HA)	1991 MSH AREA (HA)	1993 MSH AREA (HA)	1991 MSH AREA (HA)	1993 MSH AREA (HA)	1991 MSH AREA (HA)	1993 MSH AREA (HA)
Mid. Granite Gorge	23.0	64.0 N	.04	1.22	.08 (-)	<.01 (<.019)	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	.13	.13	.13	.13
Muav Gorge	32.0	54.9 N	.19	1.34	.01 (.015)	<.01 (<.018)	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	<.01	.13	.13	.13	.13
Lower Canyon Reach	86.6	94.5 W	1.34	3.72	.03 (.034)	<.01 (<.016)	.04	.04	.04	.03	.03	3.46	3.46	2.32	2.32
Low. Granite Gorge	18.7	73.2 N	.75	1.07	.04 (.046)	<.01 (<.004)	.03	.03	.03	<.01	<.01	.56	.56	<.01	<.01
TOTALS OR GRAND MEANS	362.8	79.0 -	.70	2.47	.04 (.071)	0.008 (0.039)	.02	.02	.02	.02	.02	8.99	8.99	7.03	7.03

* Distance downstream from Lees Ferry, Arizona
 ** Reported by Schmidt and Graf (1990): N = narrow reach; W = wide reach.

Table 2.03: MIPS analysis of marsh area change of 20 fluvial and 4 off-river marshes between 1988 and 1993 in the Colorado River corridor in Grand Canyon National Park, AZ

MILE/ SIDE*	DEPOSIT TYPE**	SITE TYPE***	MARSH AREA (HA)					
			1988	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994
-6.5R	RCC	F	0.176	0.251	---	0.270	0.307	0.416
19.9L	RCC	F	0.000	0.006	---	0.007	0.001	0.002
25.5R	CM	F	0.002	0.010	0.005	0.011	0.019	0.341
25.5R	SPRING	OR	0.017	0.011	0.018	0.023	0.025	0.007
43.1L	RCC+BP	F	0.013	0.041	0.060	0.068	0.065	0.057
50.0L	RCC+BP	F	0.011	0.176	0.315	0.499	0.510	0.524
51.2L	RCC+BP	F	0.023	0.181	0.294	0.401	0.421	0.554
51.4L	RCC+BP	F	---	0.101	0.111	0.181	0.180	0.209
53.0R	SD+RCC	F	---	0.148	0.157	0.205	0.196	0.317
55.5R	BP	F	0.063	0.493	0.788	1.090	0.987	1.158
71.1L	RCC+BP	F	---	0.283	0.334	0.426	0.397	0.362
76.5R	CM	F	0.009	0.029	0.091	0.123	0.100	0.081
76.5R	SPRING	OR	0.305	0.330	0.279	0.366	0.334	0.286
122.8L	RCC	F	0.000	0.023	0.067	0.070	0.015	0.017
136.5R	CM	F	0.017	0.063	0.087	0.154	0.093	0.230
136.5	SPRING	OR	0.567	0.651	0.669	0.590	0.590	0.625
171.5L	RCC+BP	F	---	0.036	0.073	0.143	0.105	0.013
172.1L	RCC+BP	F	0.009	0.167	0.178	0.222	0.074	0.160
179.4L	SPRING	OR	0.970	0.914	1.002	0.992	1.098	1.198
194.1L	RCC+BP	F	0.006	0.124	0.265	0.373	0.409	0.636
198.0R	RCC+BP	F	0.010	0.071	0.173	0.232	0.173	0.004
213.0L	RCC+BP	F	0.000	0.022	0.107	0.168	0.058	0.072
225.2R	RCC+BP	F	0.008	---	0.091	0.166	0.133	---

* Side looking downstream

** CM - channel margin deposit; RCC - return current channel; RCC+BP - return current channel + bar platform; SPRING - spring source.

*** F - Fluvial marsh, OF - Off River marsh

"normal operations", and between 1991 and 1992 as interim flows exposed new habitat for colonization; however, marsh area decreased between 1992 and 1993. This overall decrease in area was largely the result of January-February, 1993 LCR floods. Ten of 11 marshes below the Little Colorado River decreased in area from 1992 to 1993 (Table 2.02). In addition, 5 of 9 mainstream marshes upstream from the LCR confluence decreased in size during the same interval. Marshes upstream from the LCR were not scoured by tributary flooding, and the loss of cover there was attributed to the change in flow regime. Additional colonization of newly exposed habitats continued throughout the system in 1994, with seven of nine upstream marshes and five of nine downstream marshes increasing in area. The off-river marshes exhibited no significant change in area between 1988 and 1994 ($T_{4,15} = 6.0$, $p = 0.536$; Table 2.03).

Marsh Plots

Topography: Interim flows stabilized the topography of return current channel (RCC) marshes which have been under observation since 1991; however, 1993 LCR flooding resulted in aggradation of RCC habitats. Repeated surveys of the marsh study sites established by Stevens and Ayers (1993) in GCES Phase II revealed insignificant changes in topography from Fall 1991 to Spring 1994 for sites upstream from the LCR (Figs. 2.02 - 2.08); however, the 1993 LCR floods inundated RCC marshes downstream from the Little Colorado River for a period of more than a month, and resulted in aggradation of these habitats. Topographic data from the Forester, 172 Mile and 194 Mile marshes reveals this pattern, with an increase in RCC floor baselevel of approximately 20 cm between Fall 1992 and Spring 1993 surveys.

Composition Changes: Marsh plots data revealed both a gradual loss of previously established marsh cover and a rapid increase in cover in the newly stabilized shoreline between the 566 and 900 m^3/s stages that are presently protected from scour by interim flows. Gradual reduction in basal cover of *Typha*, *Scirpus* and other characteristic clonal marsh taxa at stage elevations above the 566 m^3/s (the interim flows maximum) stage occurred at the previously established marshes under study (Fig. 2.09, Appendices B, C). These characteristic taxa are gradually being replaced by grasses, dry marsh taxa and woody phreatophytes, particularly *Salix exigua* and *Phragmites*. For example, the basal cover of *Typha*, *Scirpus* spp. and other wet marsh taxa lying above the 566 m^3/s stage in RCC marshes at Miles 43, 51, 123, 172, 194 and 213 has been reduced, while the cover of *Salix* and *Phragmites* increased (Appendix C).

In contrast to gradual decreases above the 566 m^3/s stage, wet marsh taxa have rapidly colonized newly protected RCC mouth habitats at Miles 43L, 51L, 56R, 71L and 194L (Chapter 4, this report) below the 566 m^3/s stage. These are sites in which pre-interim flows marshes were well established in RCC settings (Stevens et al. 1995) and where RCC mouths are low gradient. Clonal expansion of vegetation from RCCs has expanded down the mouths and out onto the newly exposed shoreline habitats. Sites with steep RCC mouths (123L and 172L) have not supported expansion of wet marsh vegetation.

Sand bars with gently sloping faces at the current reattachment point have undergone primary colonization by wet marsh taxa between the approximate 400 and 600 m^3/s stages. This process has been observed at the 43L, 51L, 56R, 68R, 123L, 172L and 194L sites. Sites with steep eroding cutbanks at the reattachment point (e.g., 71L and 213L) do not support new reattachment point marshes. The primary colonization process is therefore strongly influenced

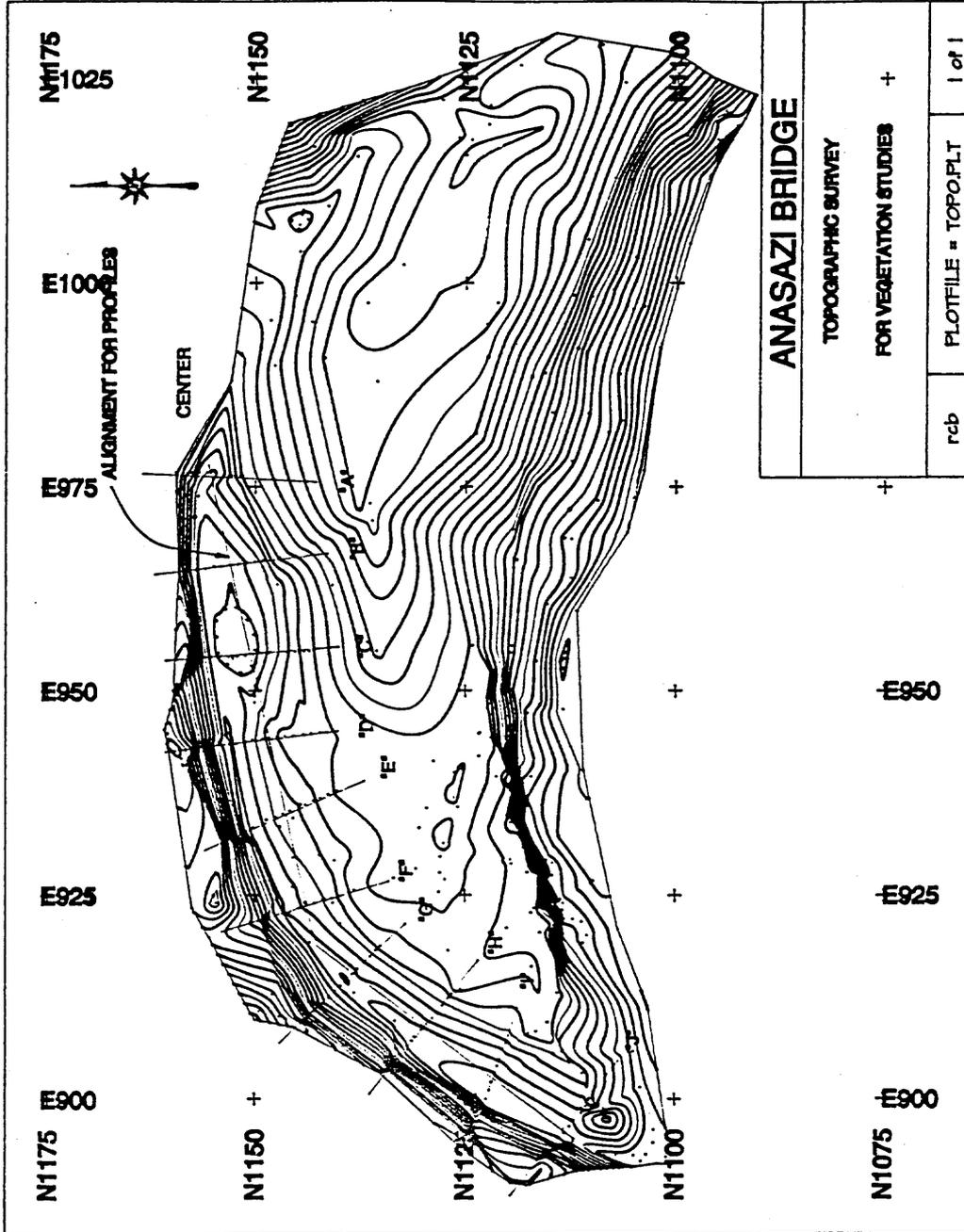


Figure 2.02A: Topographic map of the Mile 43L (Anasazi Bridge) marsh study site, showing transect locations.

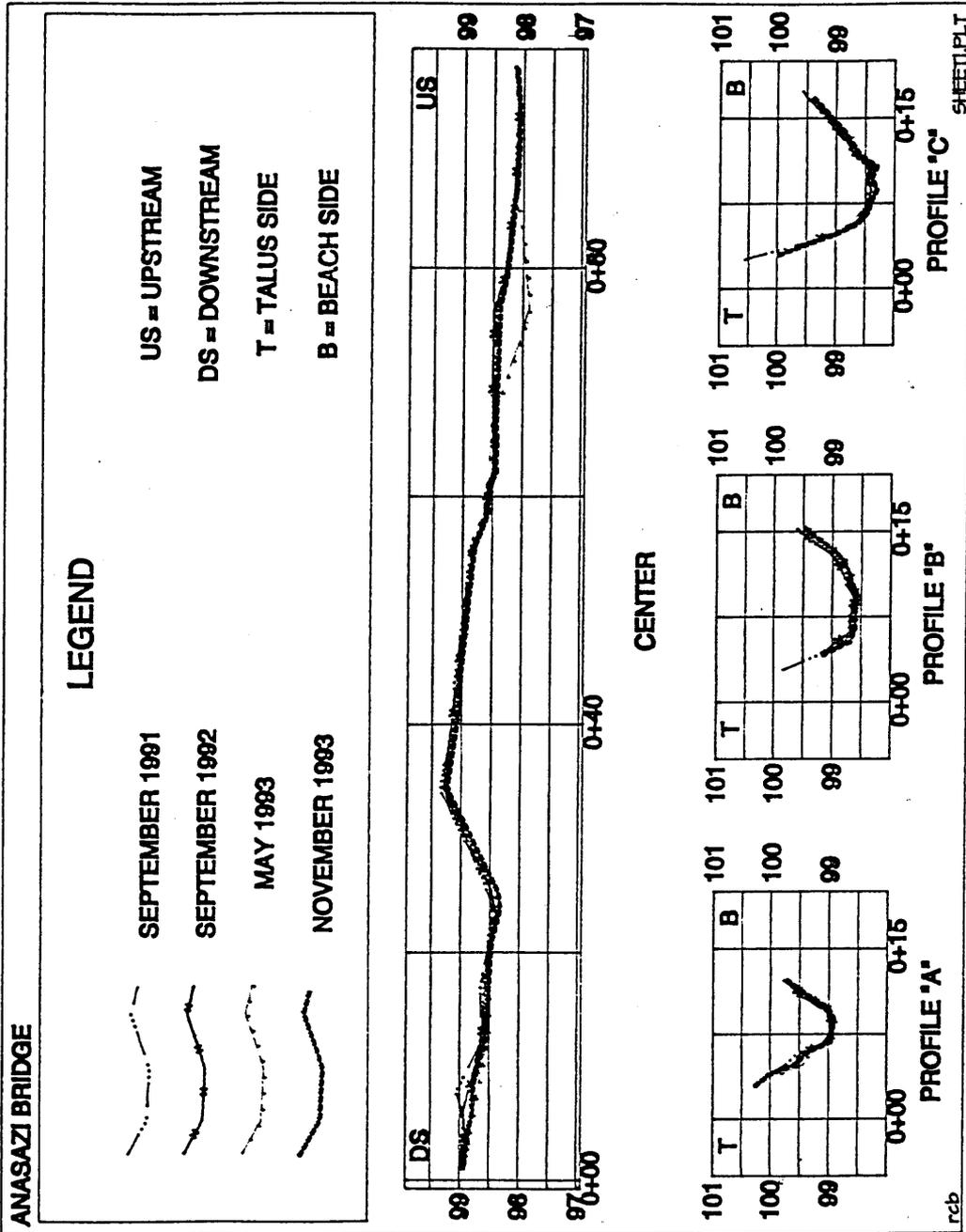


Figure 2.02B: Surveyed profiles of marsh transects at the Mile 43L (Anasazi Bridge) marsh study site, 1991-1993.

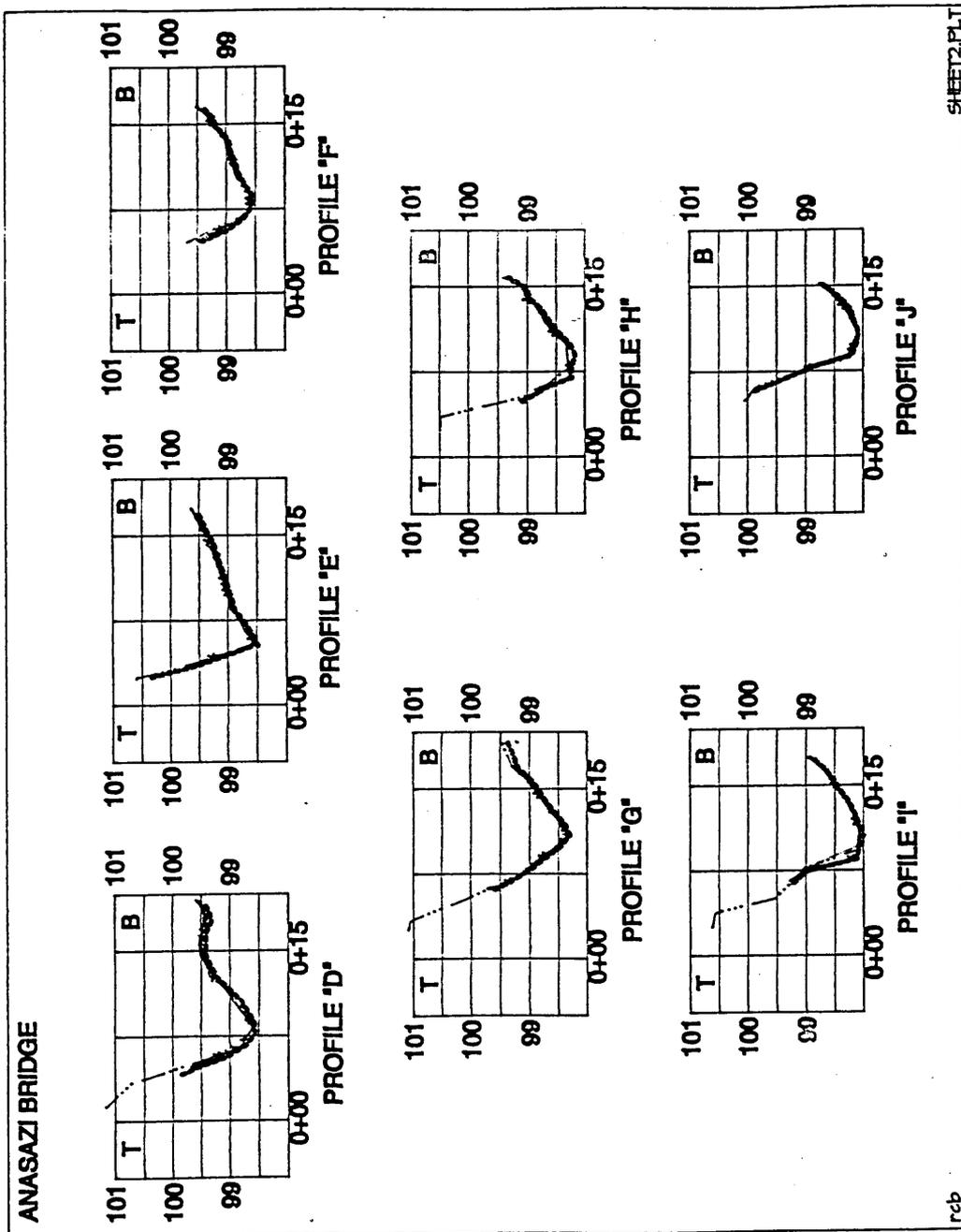


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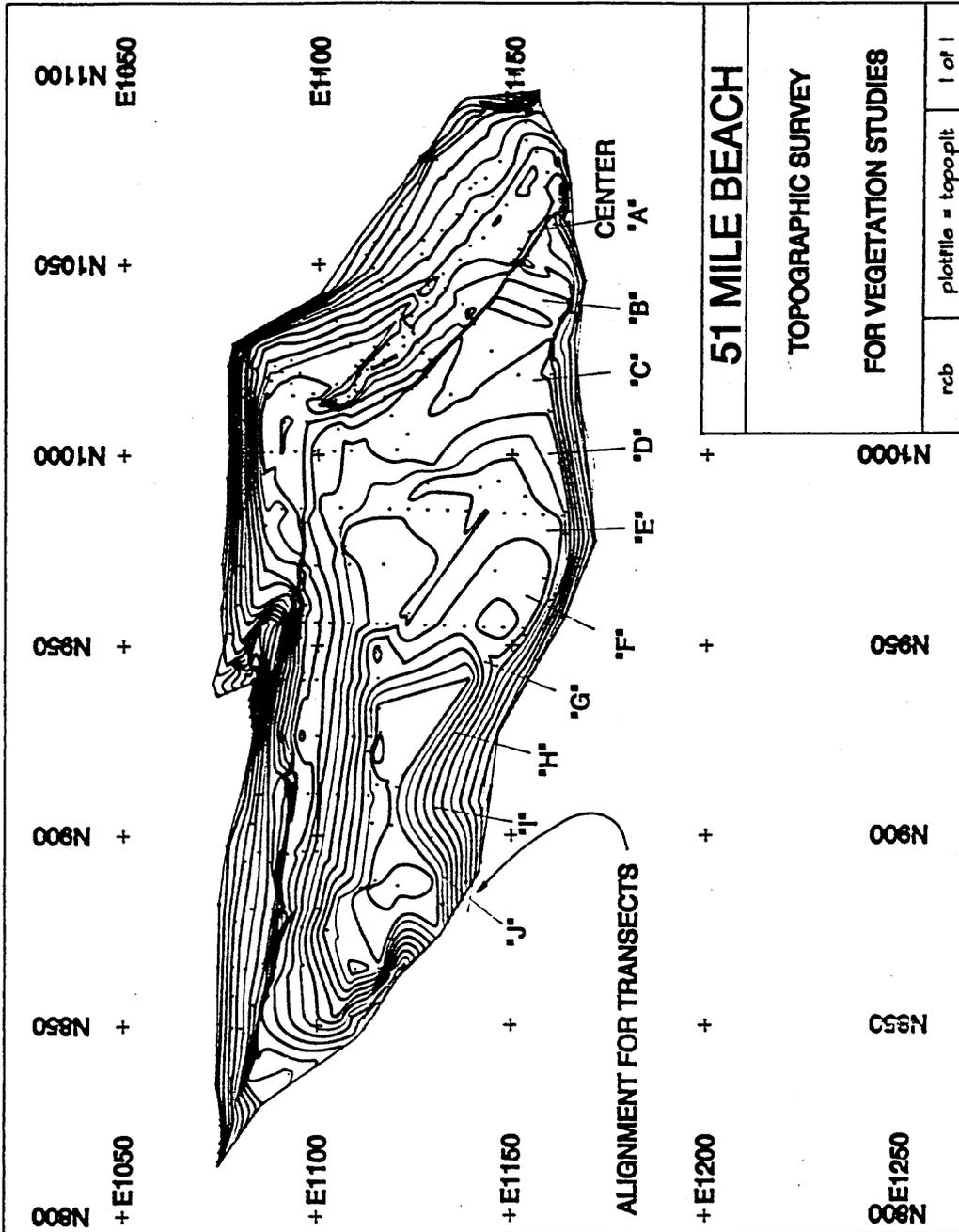


Figure 2.03A: Topographic map of the Mile 51L marsh study site, showing transect locations.

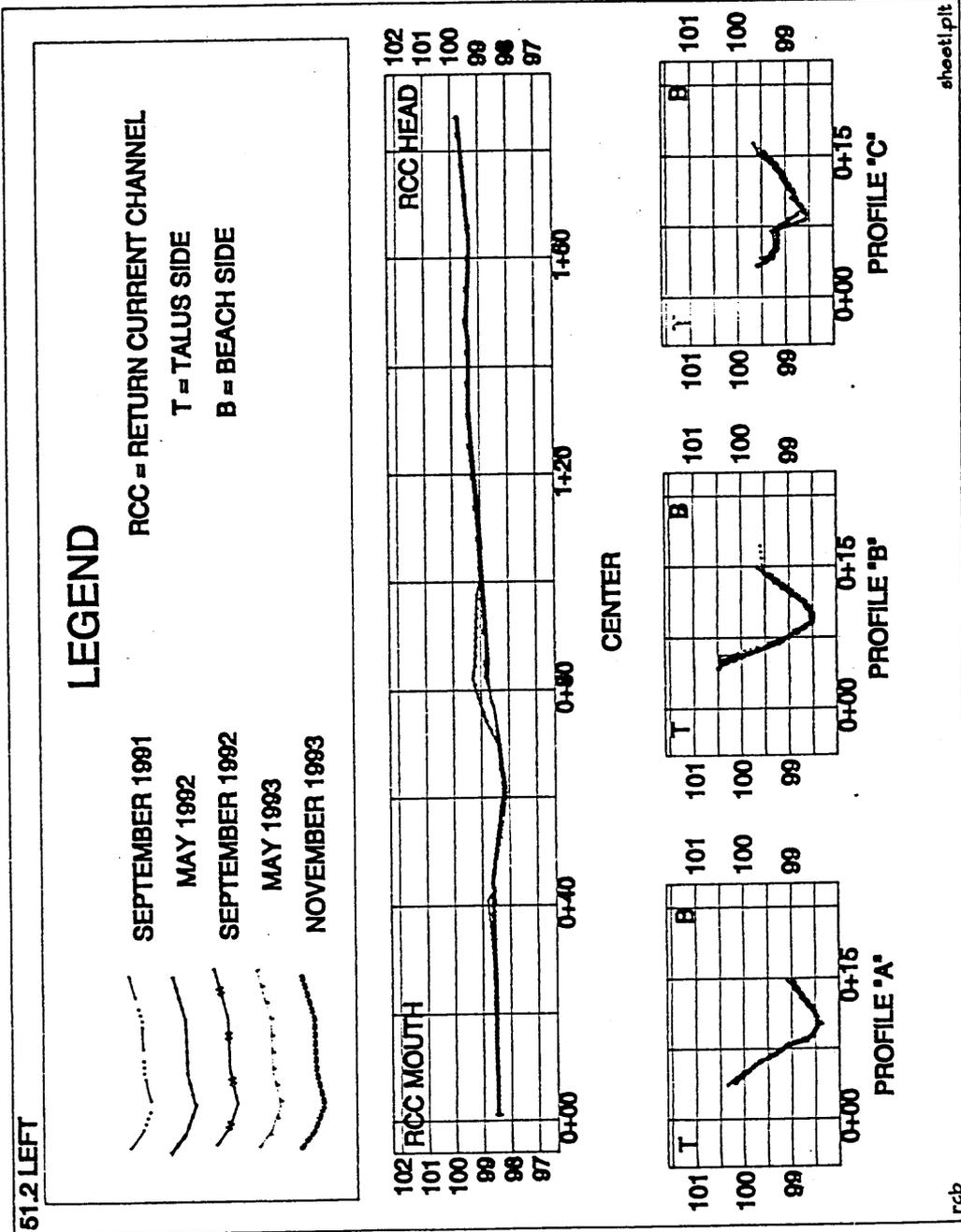


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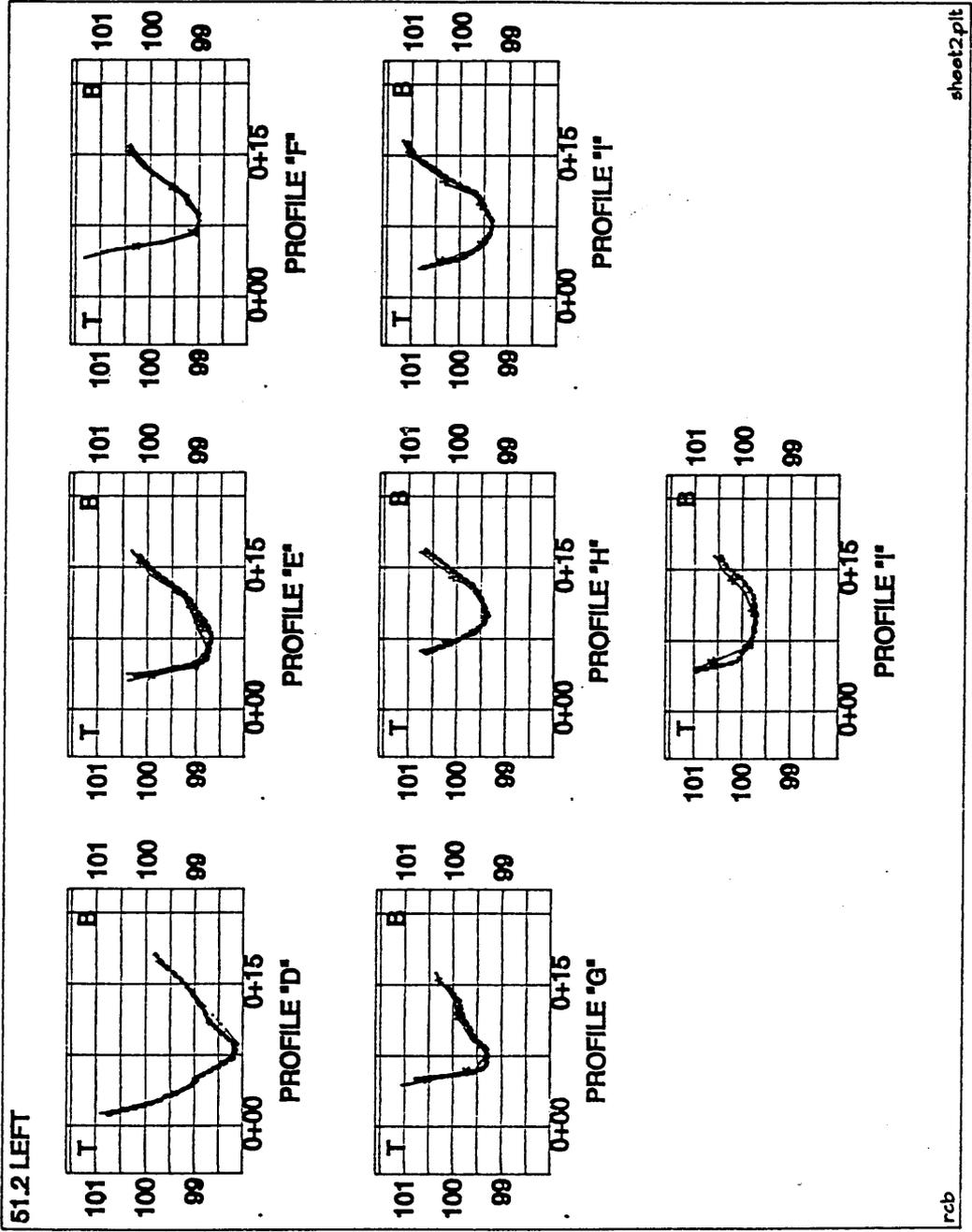


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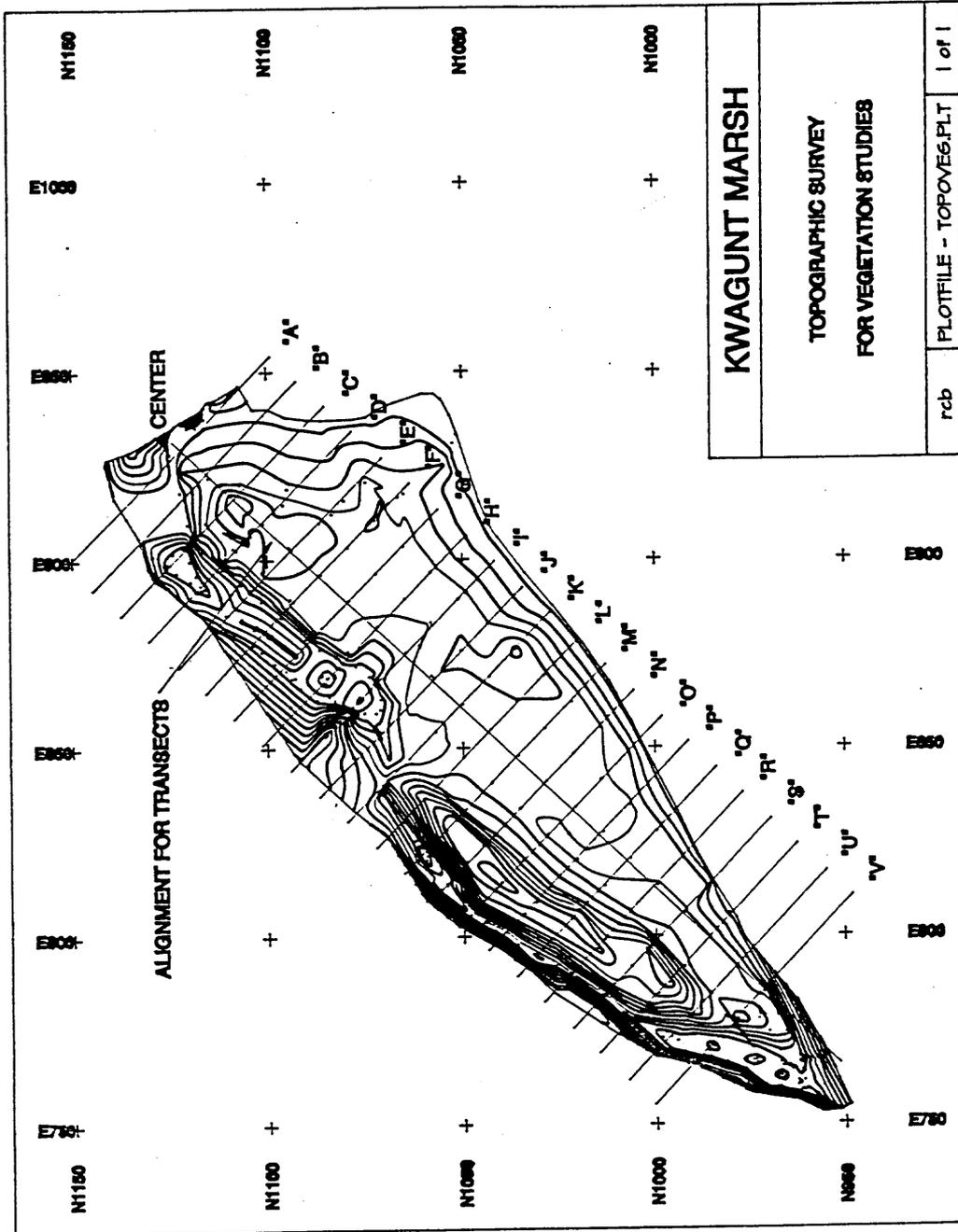


Figure 2.04A: Topographic map of the Mile 56R marsh study site, showing transect locations.

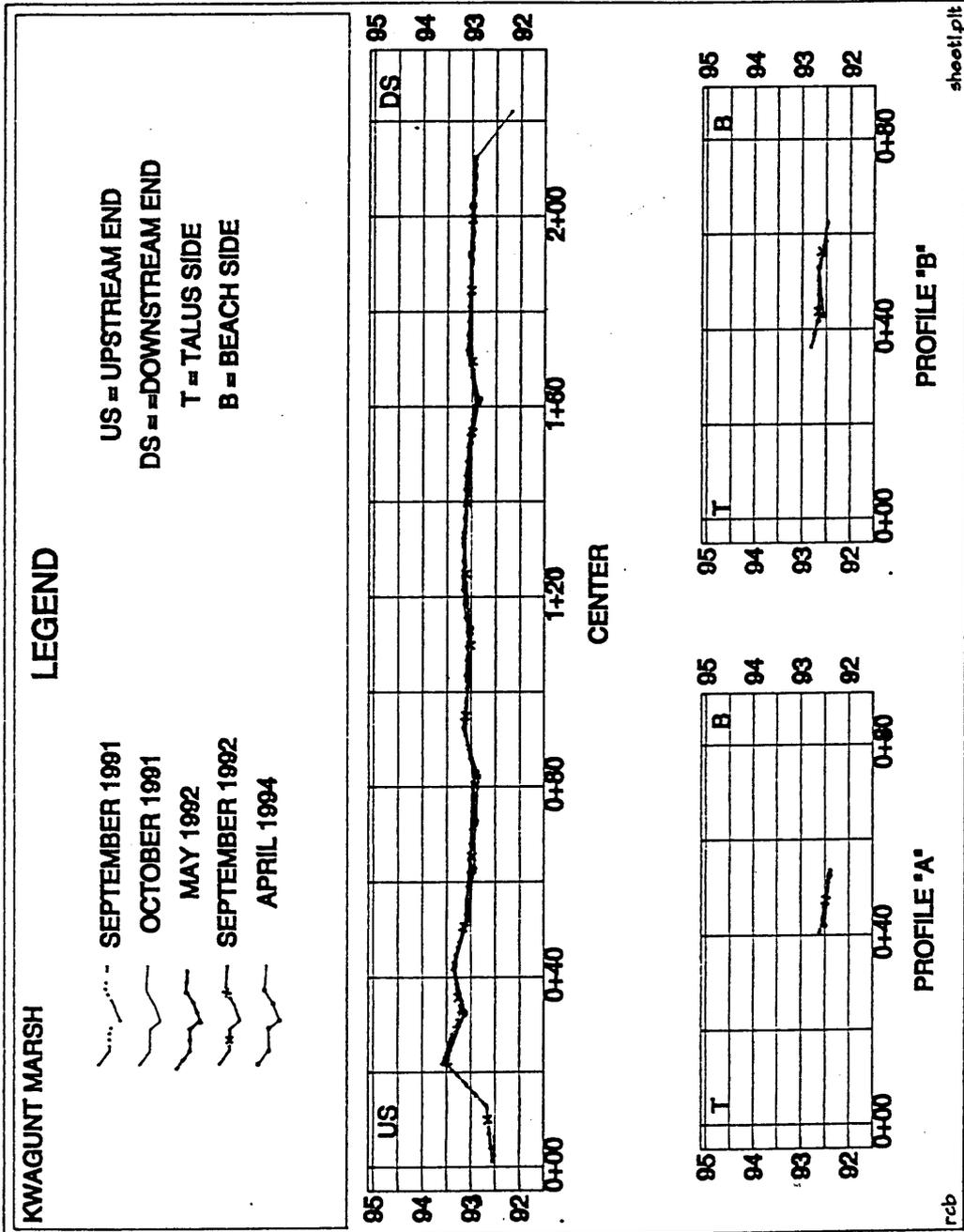


Figure 2.04B: Surveyed profiles of marsh transects at the Mile 56R marsh study site, 1991-1993.

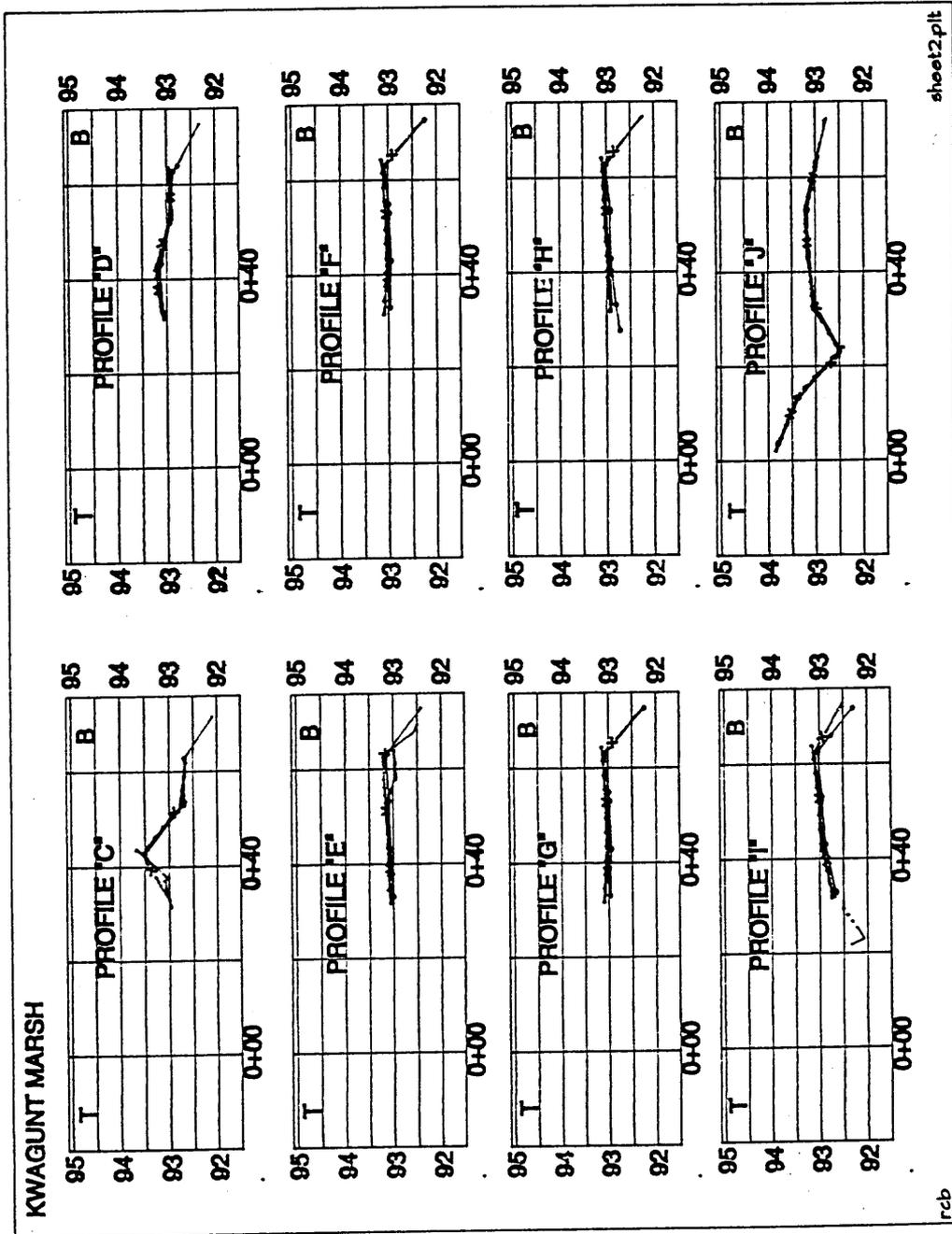


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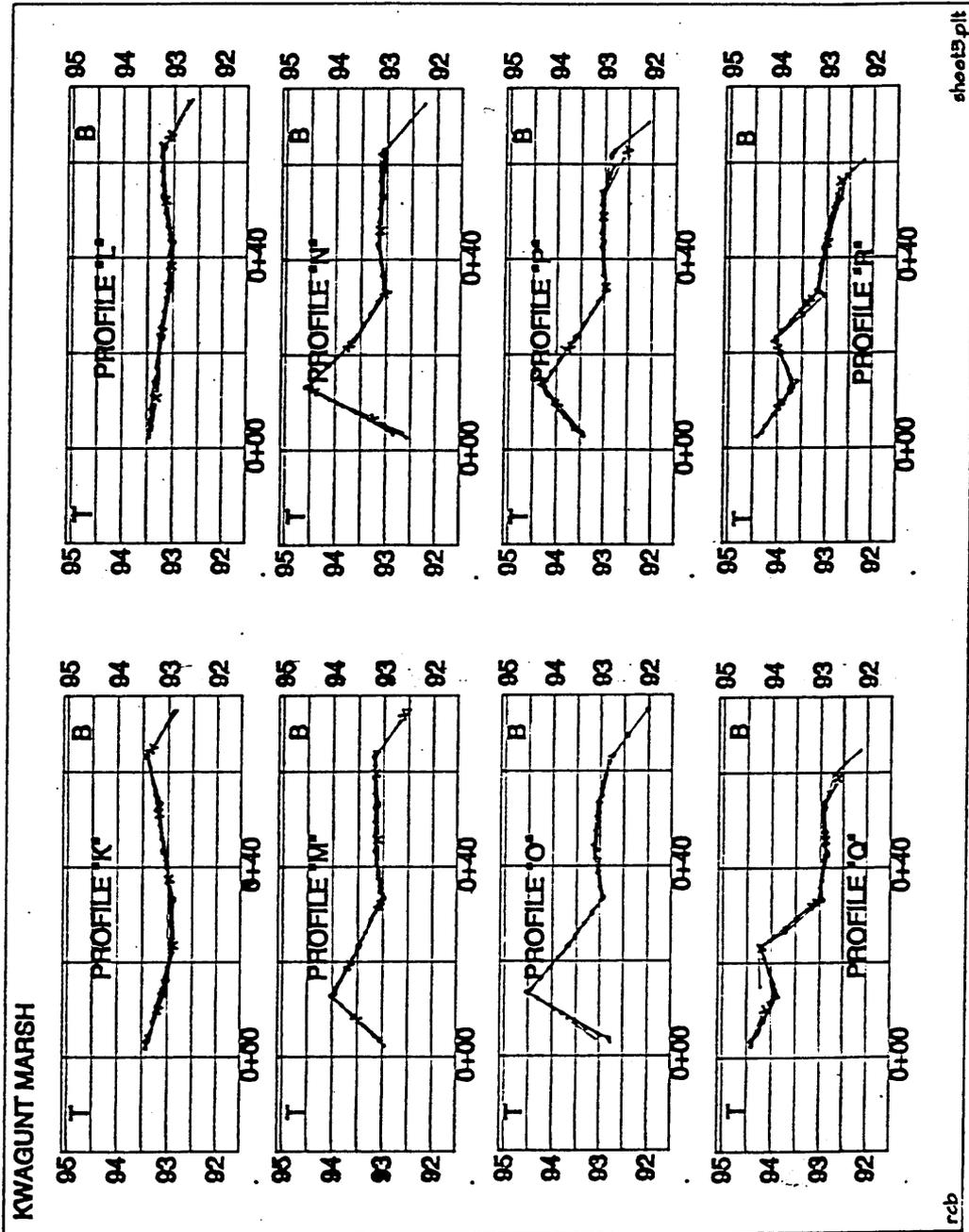


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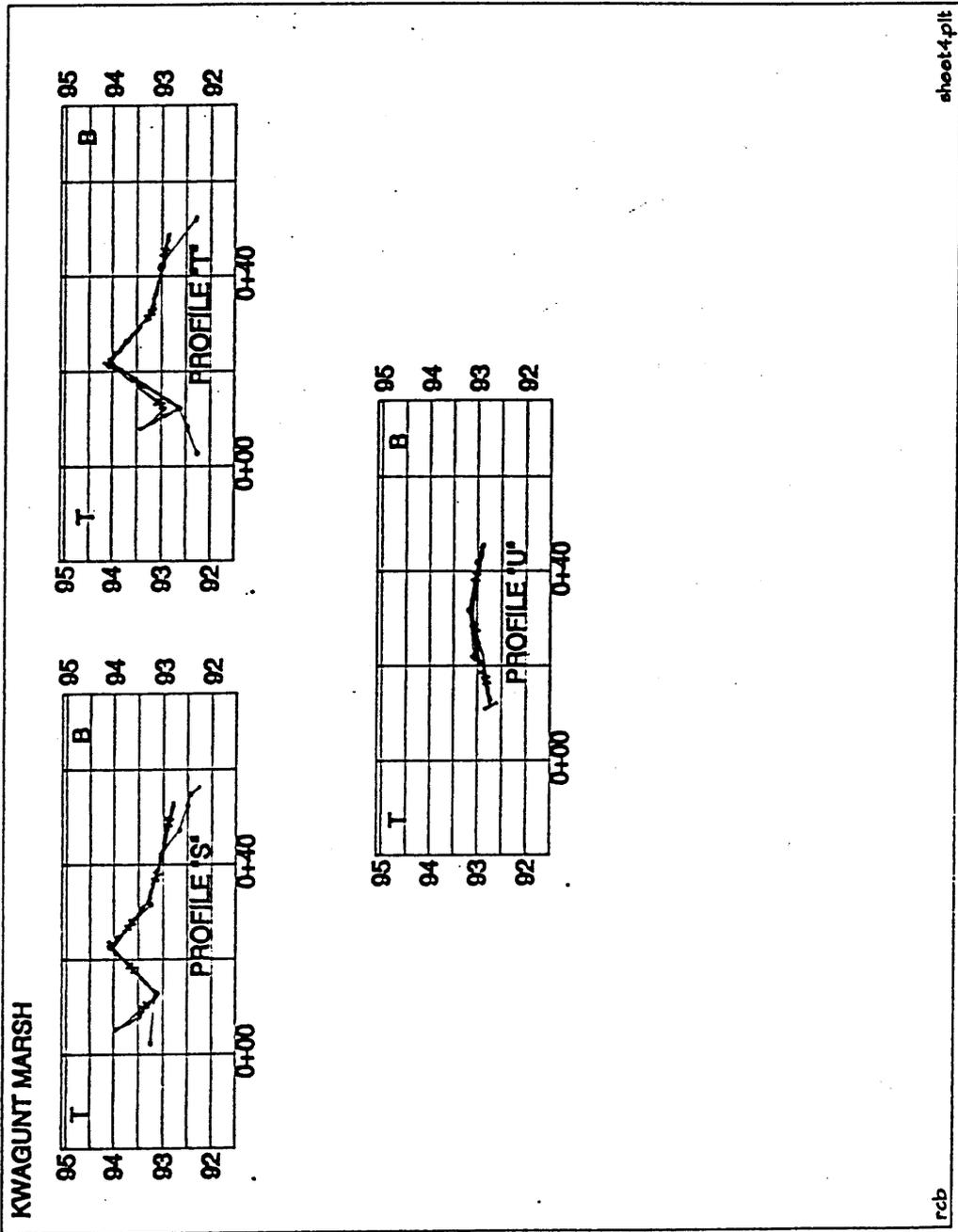


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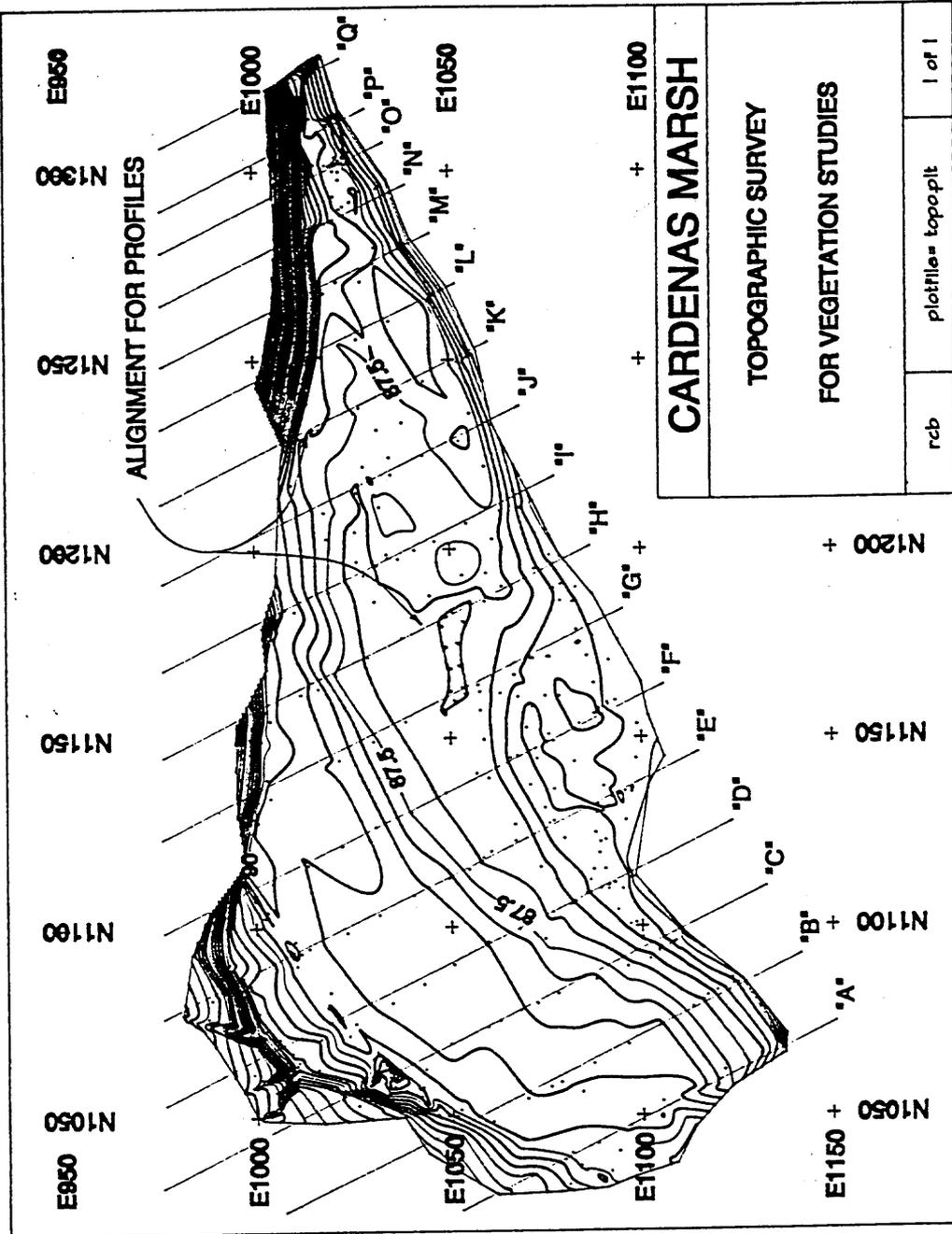


Figure 2.05A: Topographic map of the Mile 71L marsh study site, showing transect locations.

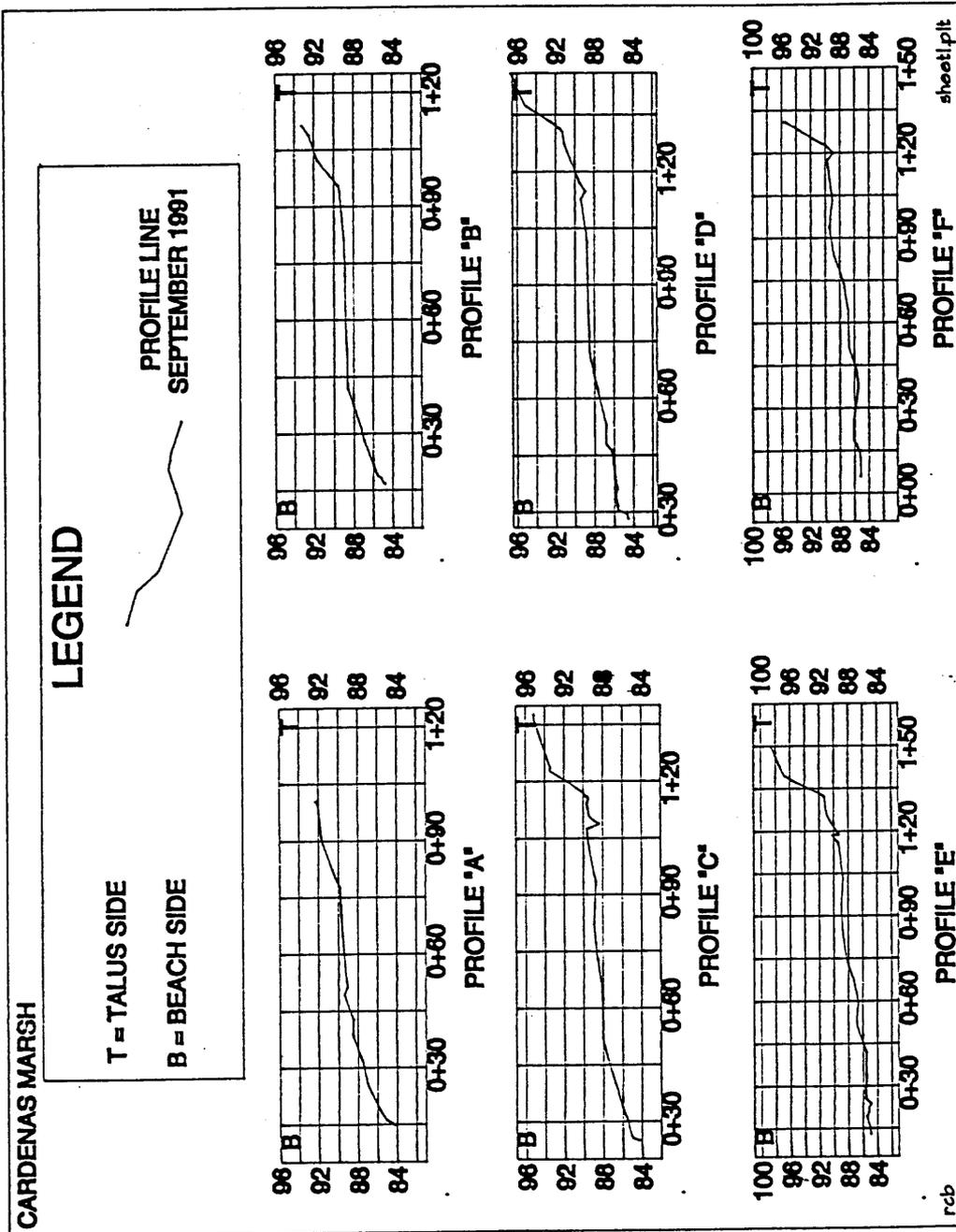


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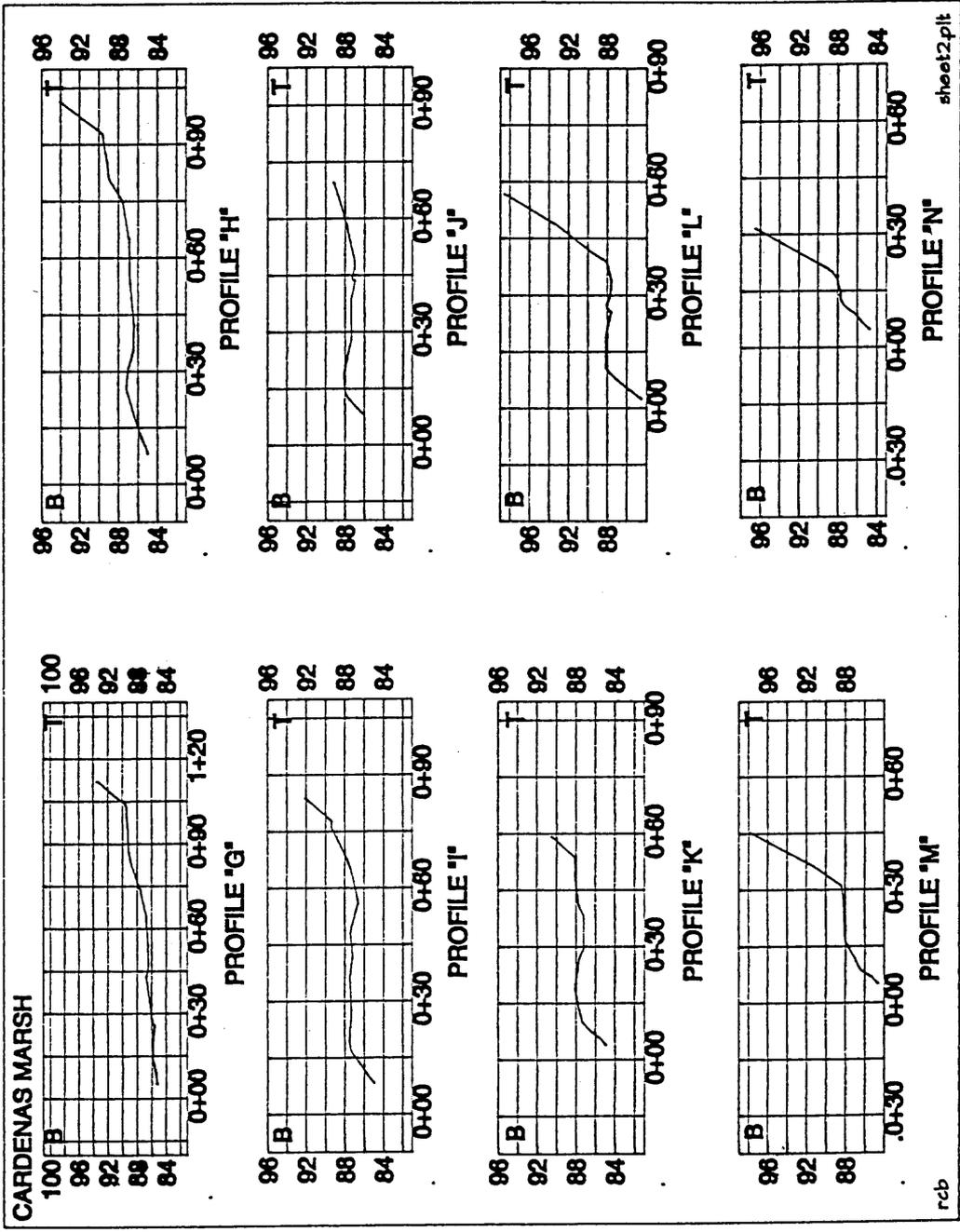


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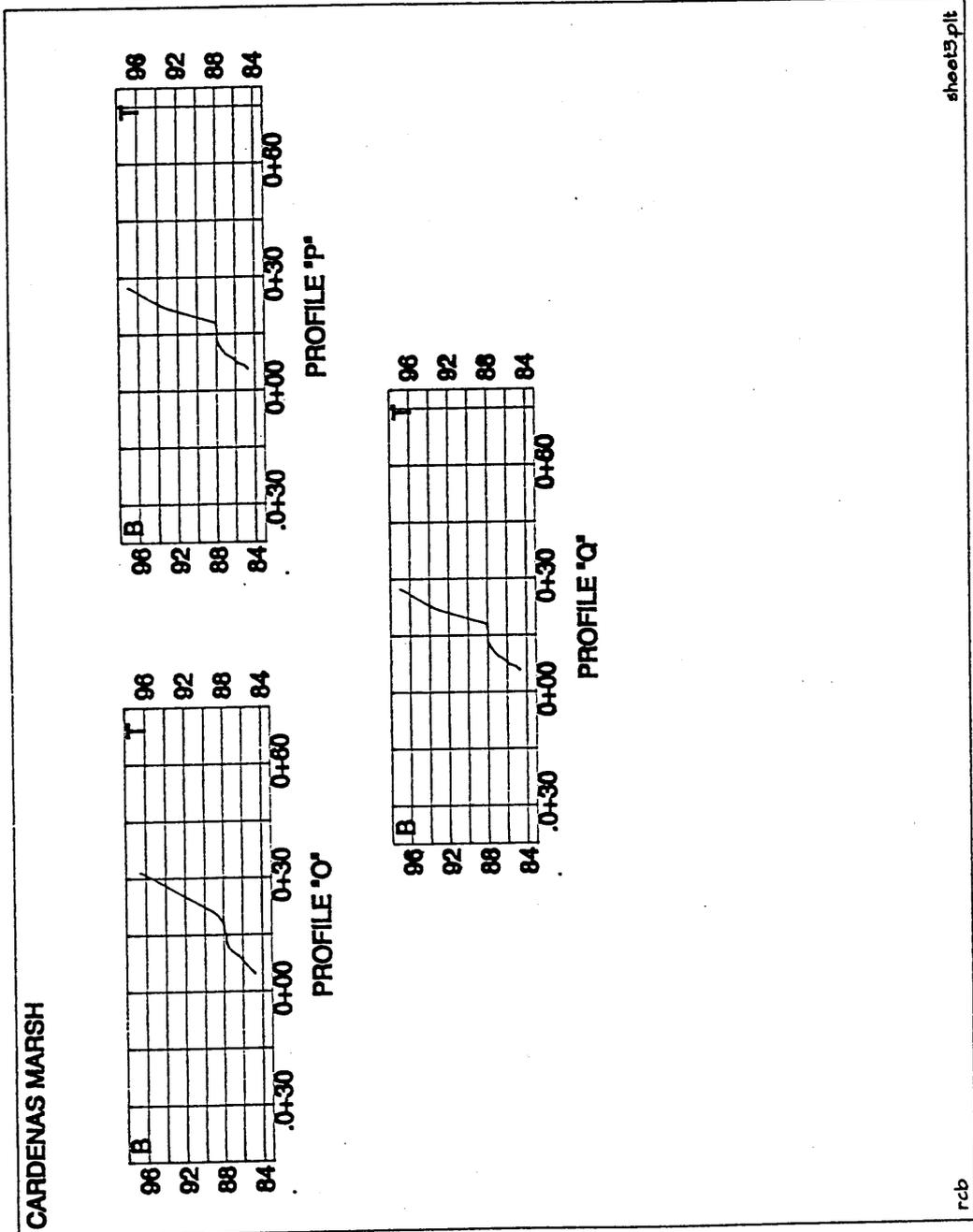


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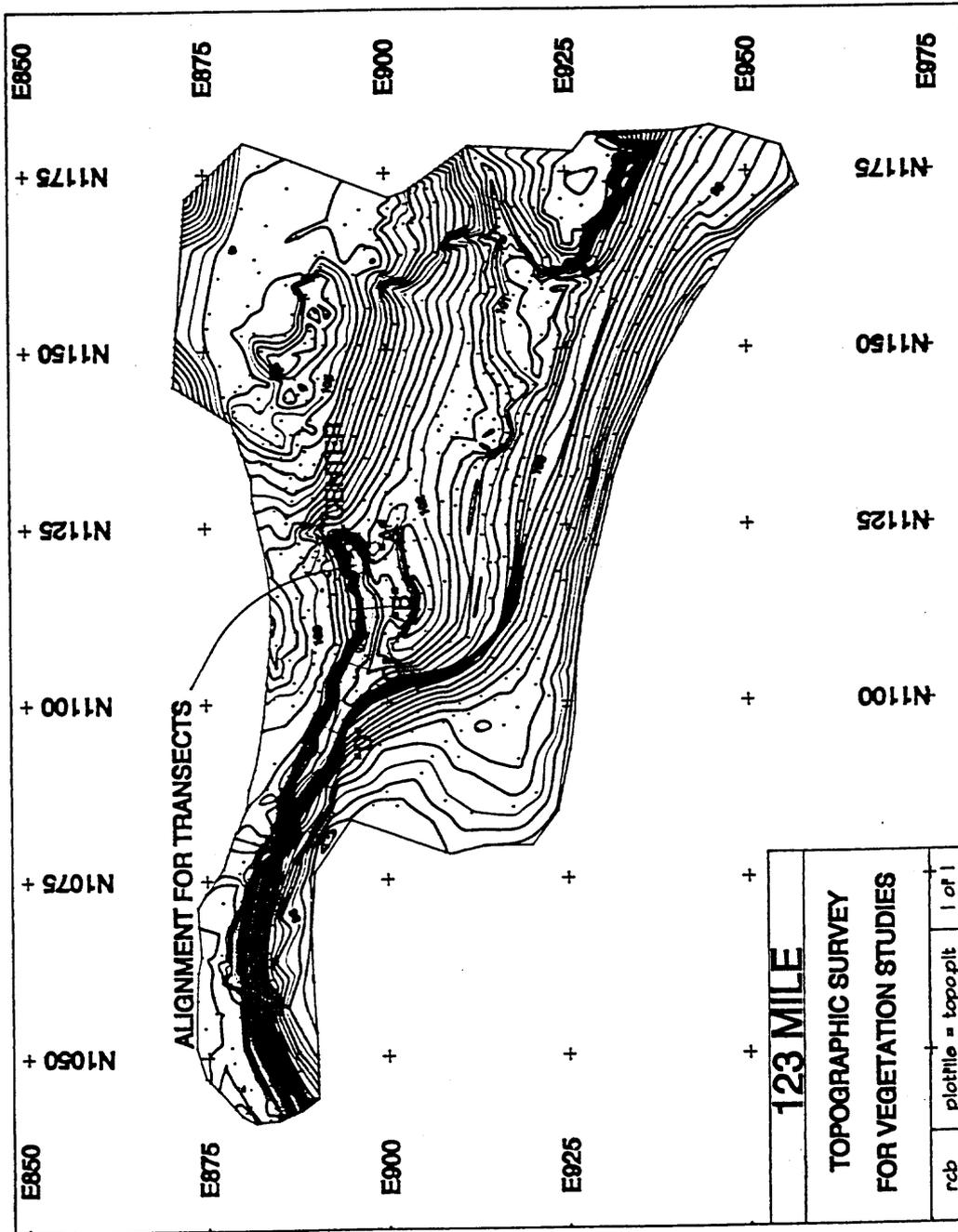


Figure 2.06A: Topographic map of the Mile 123L marsh study site, showing transect locations.

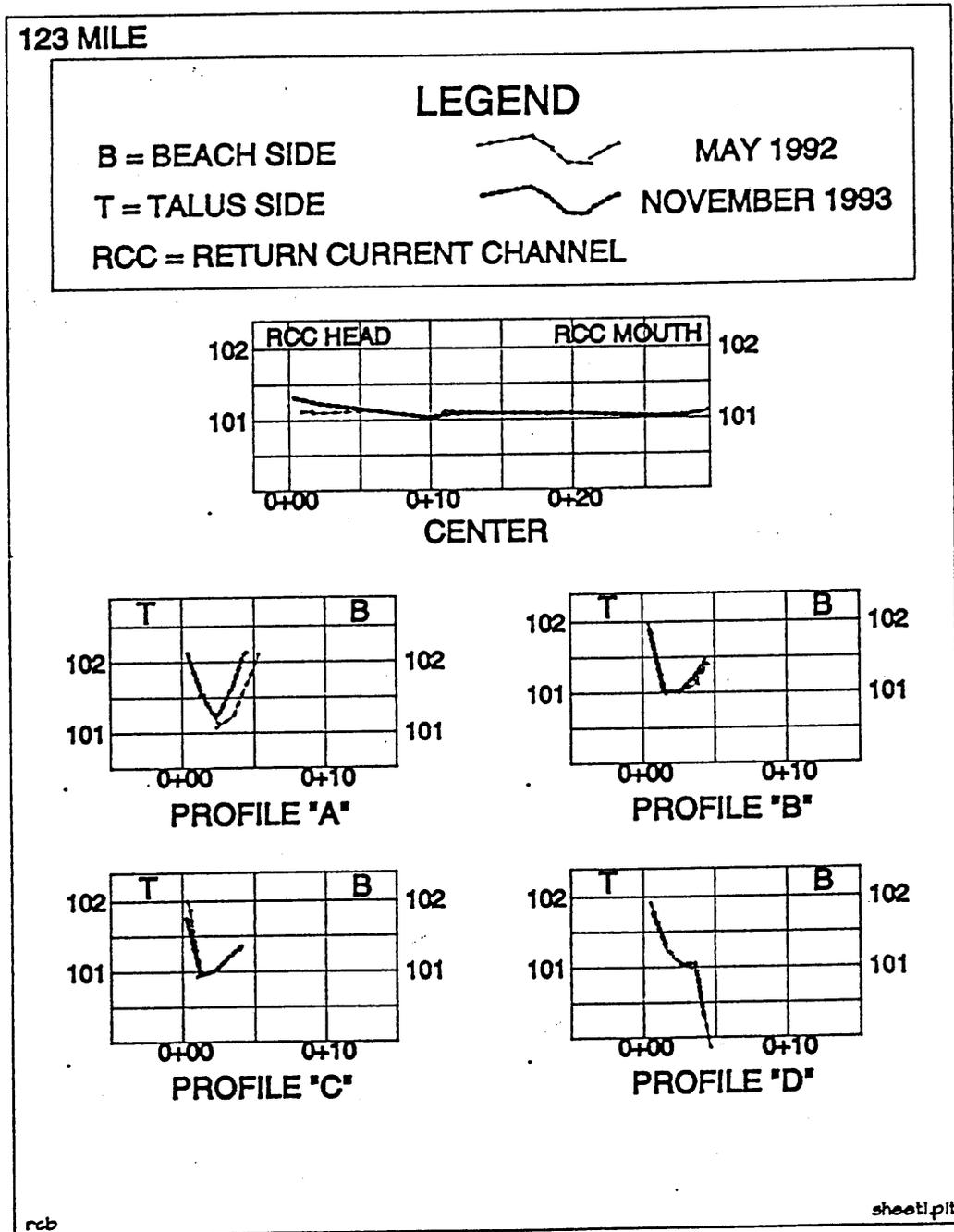


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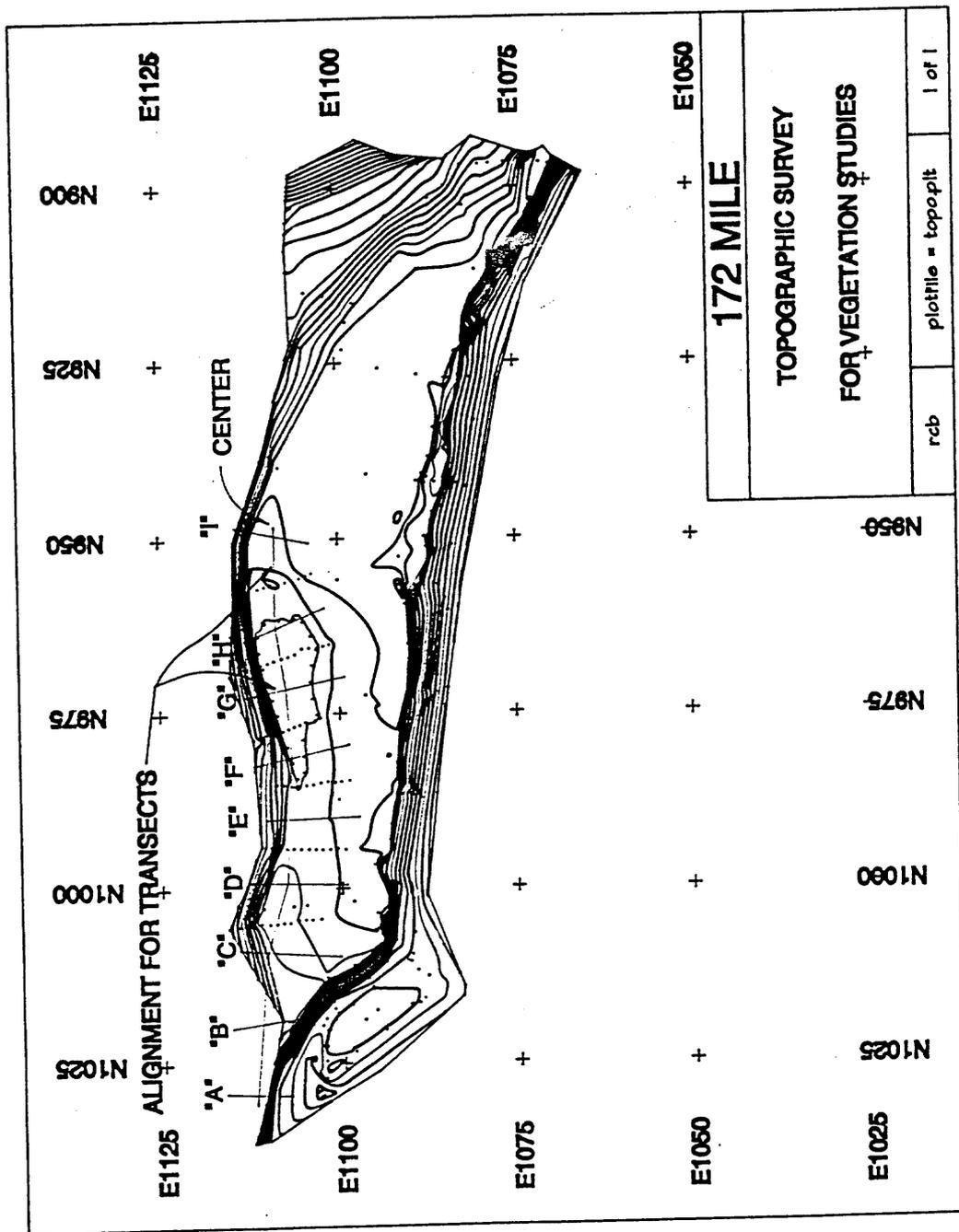


Figure 2.07A: Topographic map of the Mile 172L marsh study site, showing transect locations.

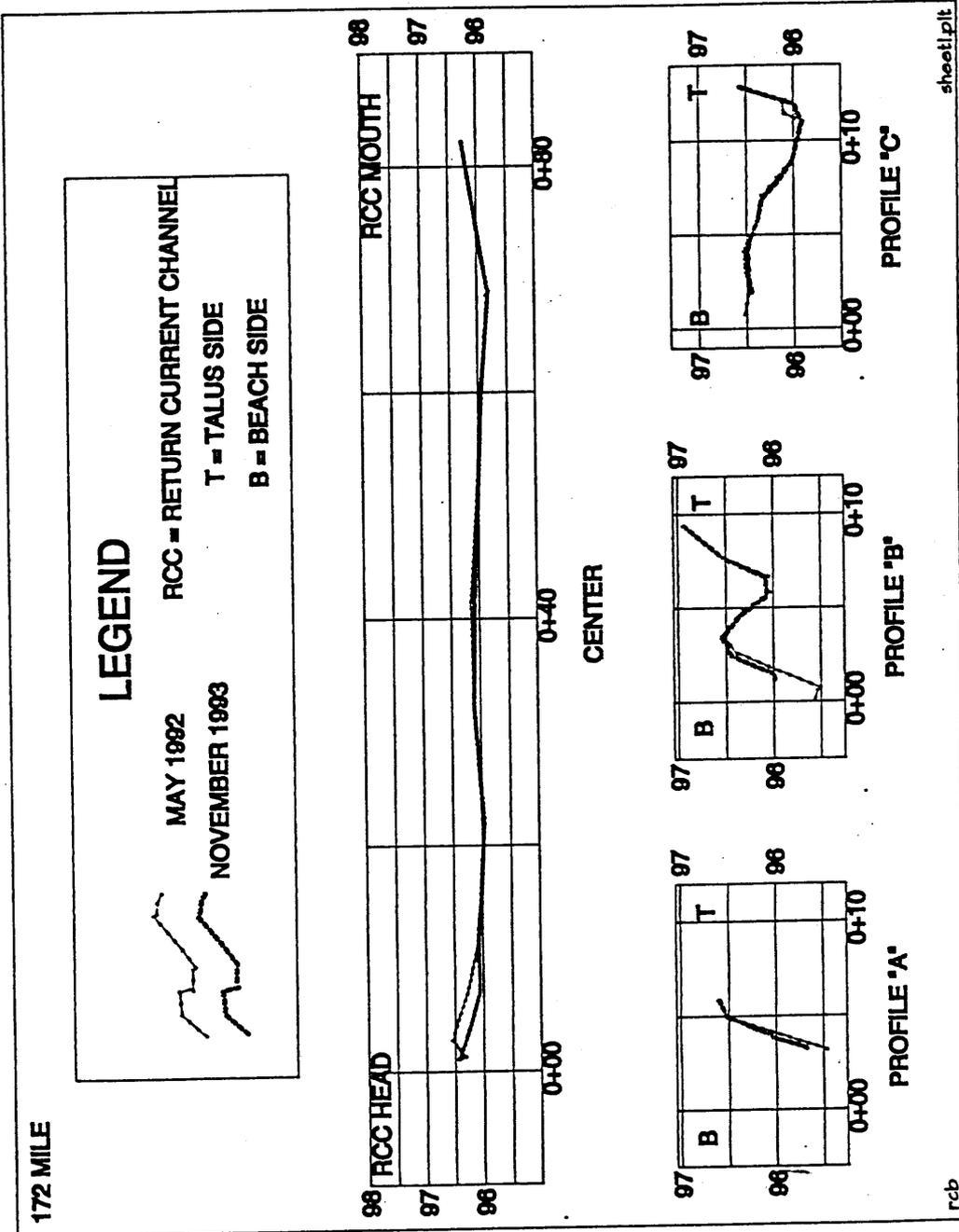


Figure 2.07B: Surveyed profiles of marsh transects at the Mile 172L marsh study site, 1991-1993.

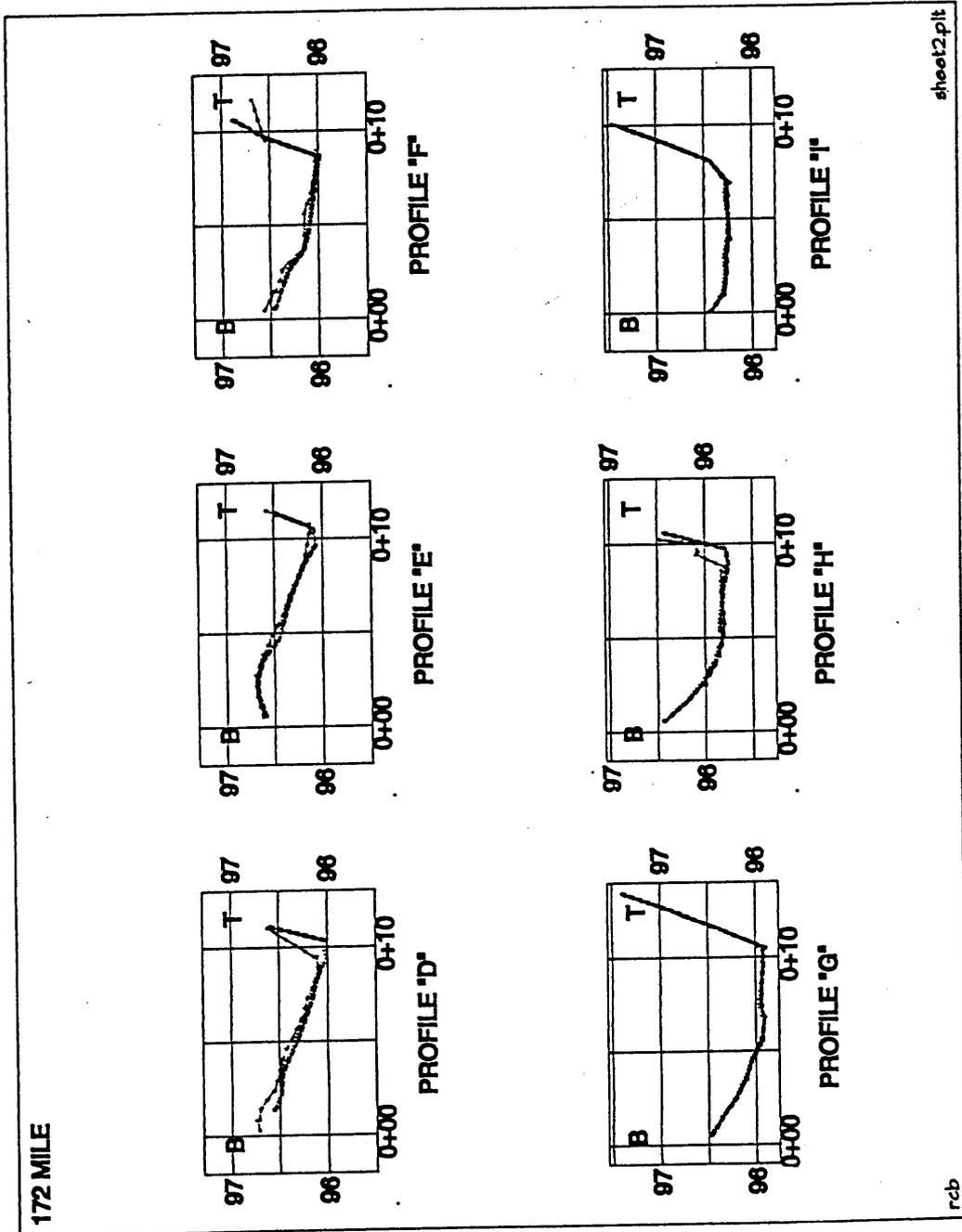


Figure 2.07B: Surveyed profiles of marsh transects at the Mile 172L marsh study site, 1991-1993 (cont'd).

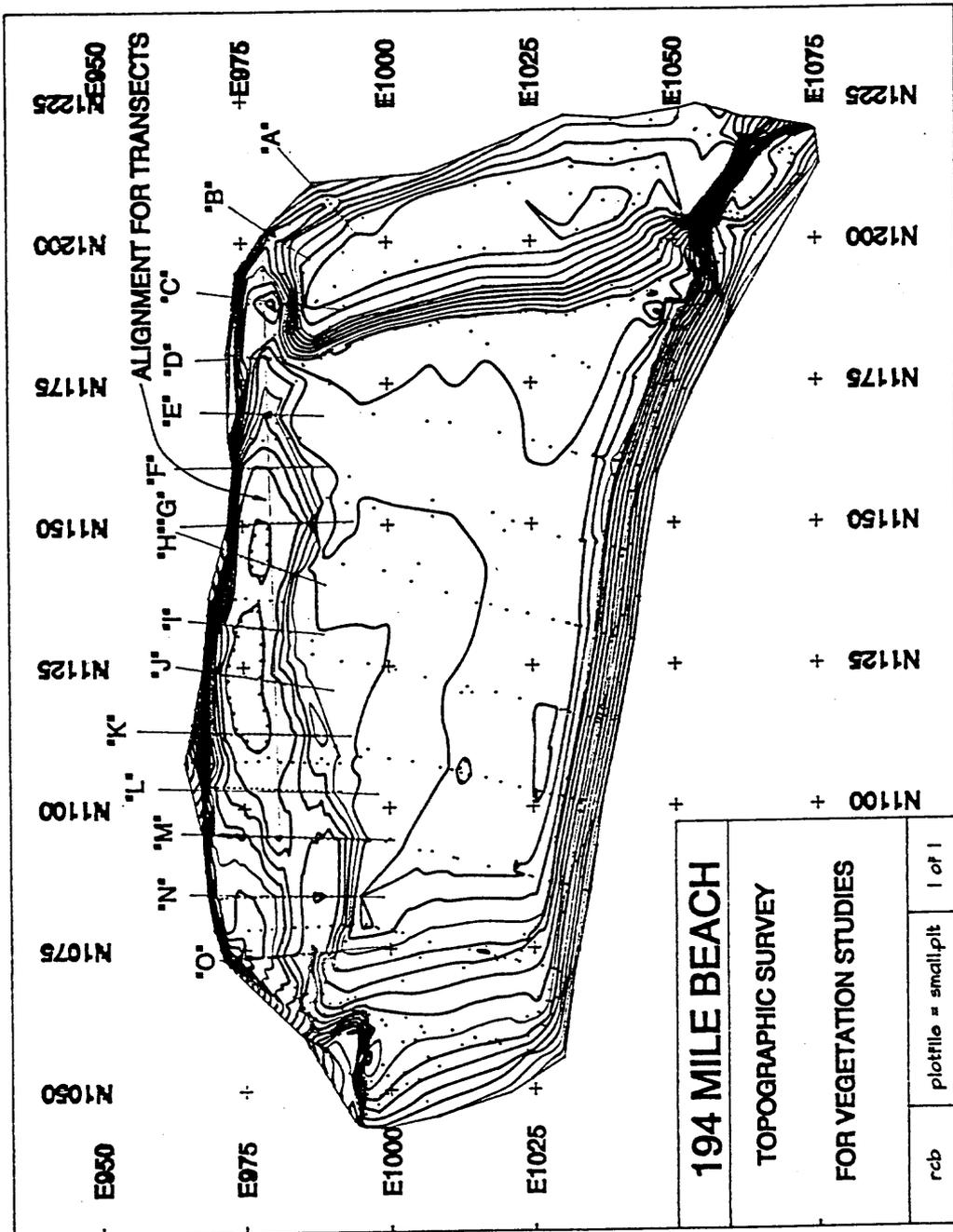


Figure 2.08A: Topographic map of the Mile 194L marsh study site, showing transect locations.

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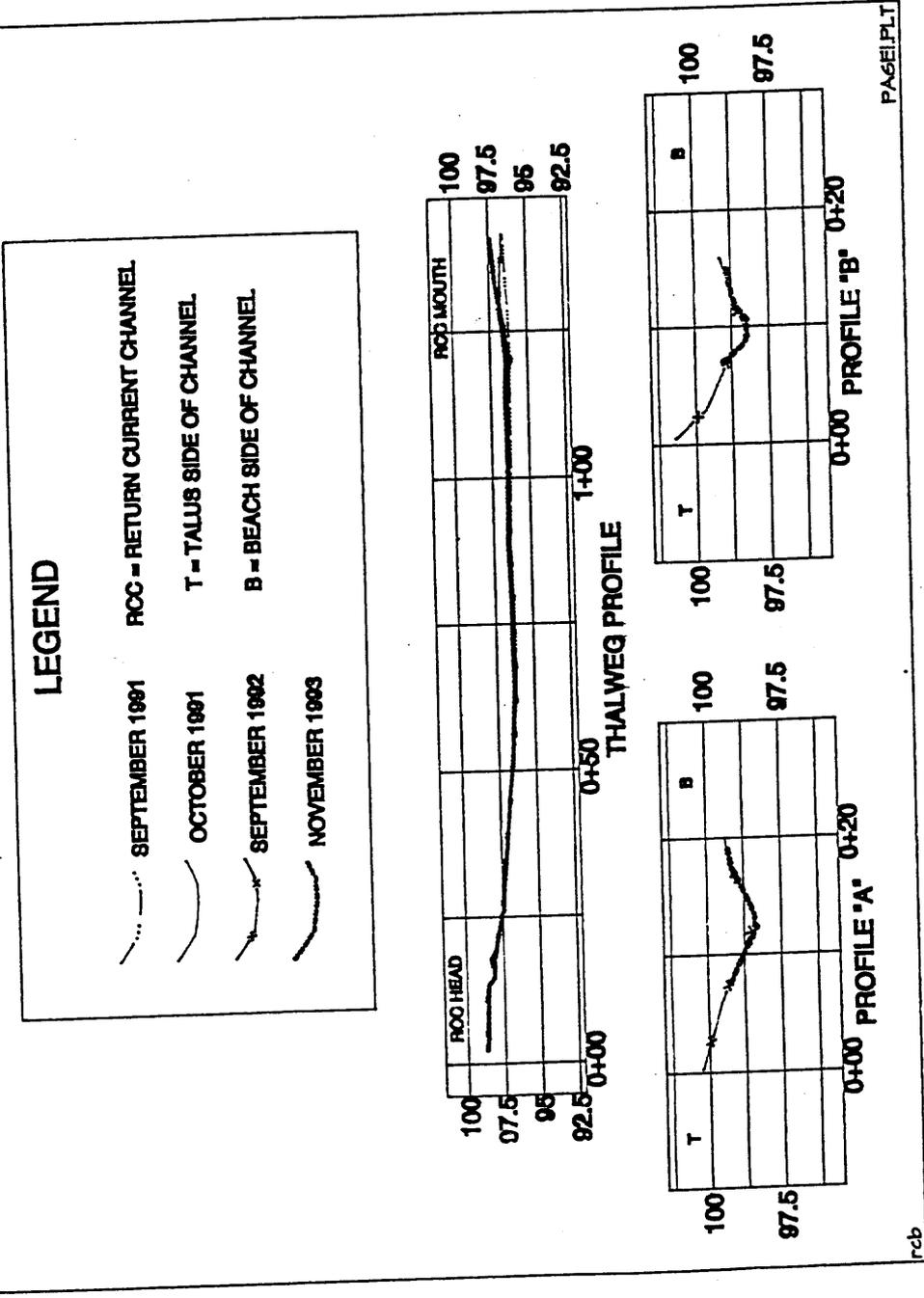


Figure 2.08B: Surveyed profiles of marsh transects at the Mile 194L marsh study site, 1991-1993.

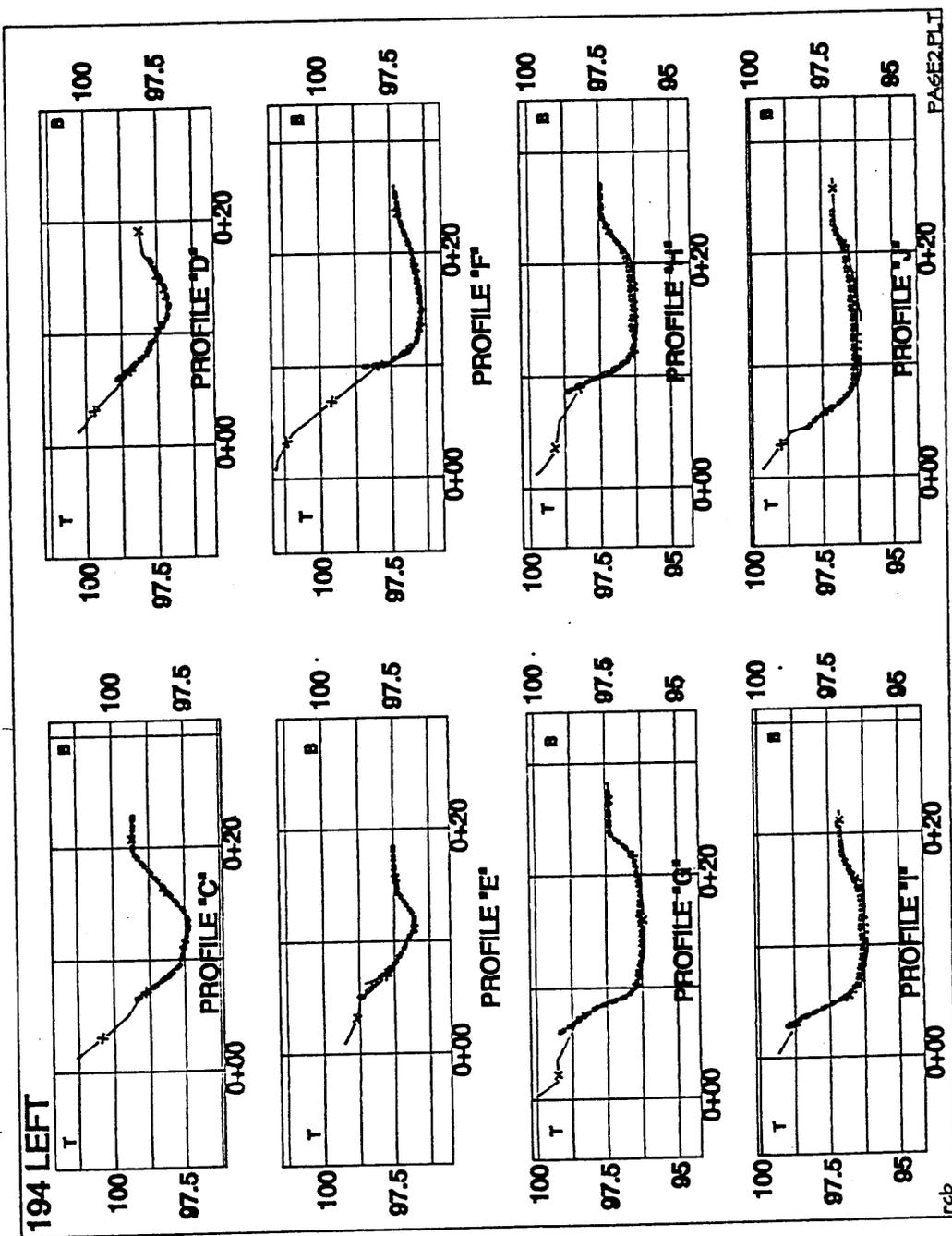


Figure 2.08B: Surveyed profiles of marsh transects at the Mile 194L marsh study site, 1991-1993 (cont'd).

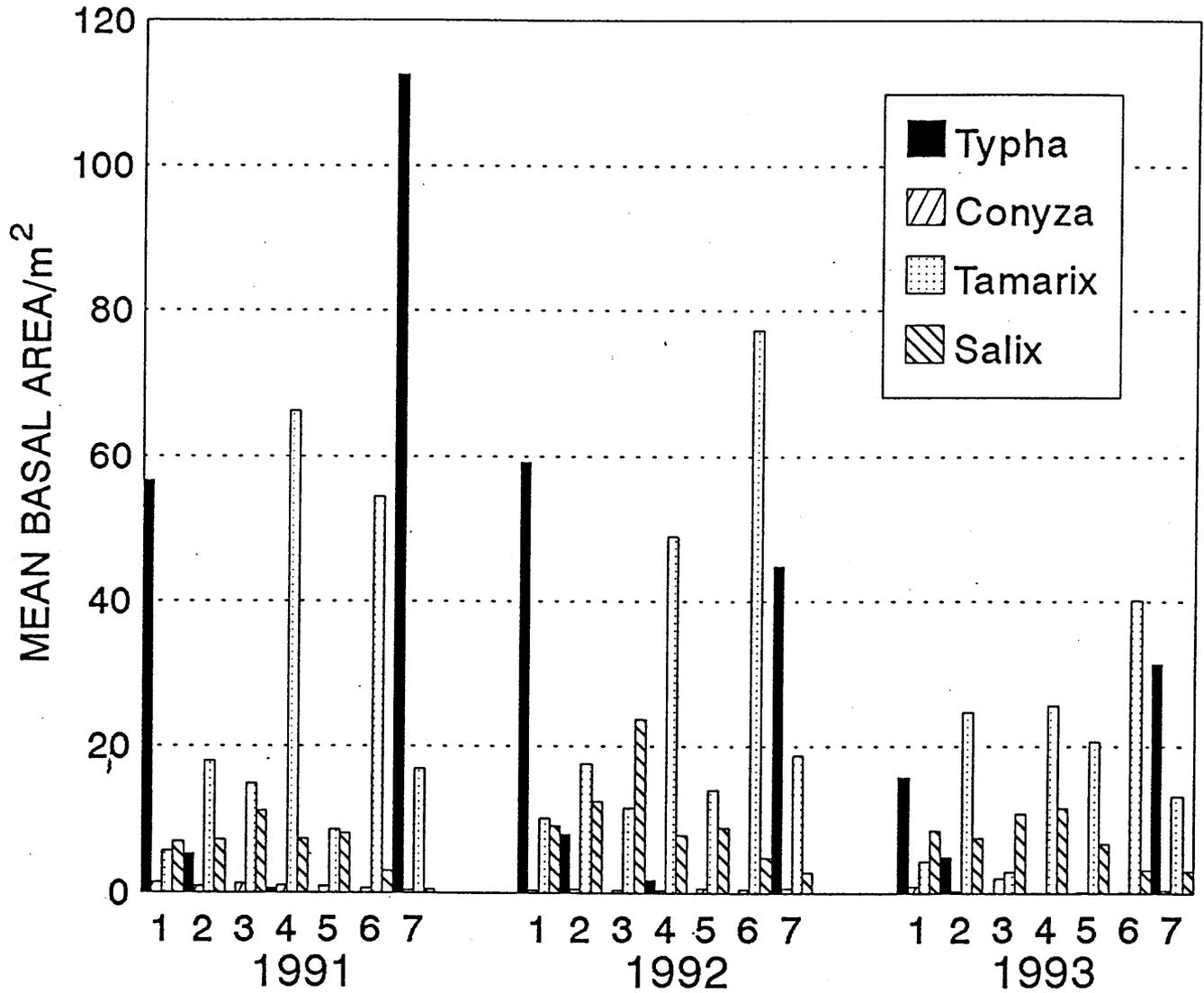


Figure 2.09: Mean basal area of four dominant marsh species at 7 study sites in 1991, 1992, and 1993.

by: 1) the presence of nearby fluvial marshes which may supply propagules, and 2) microsite slope steepness.

Ordination: Ranked axis 1 scores varied significantly between years ($t_{\text{Friedman}} = 7.36$, $p = 0.025$ for 41 species), and post hoc analysis indicated that 1991 data were significantly lower than 1992 or 1993 ($p = 0.005$; Table 2.04). Axis 2 scores varied significantly between years ($t_{\text{Friedman}} = 17.12$, $p < 0.001$), and post hoc analysis indicated that 1992 scores were significantly higher than 1991 or 1993 ($p = 0.005$), except for the wet marsh horsetail/herb assemblage. Axis 3 scores also varied significantly between years ($t_{\text{Friedman}} = 3.950$, $p = 0.049$), with 1991 scores overall significantly higher than 1992 or 1993 for wet marsh assemblages, but lower for dry marsh and upland assemblages ($p = 0.007$).

DISCUSSION

Shifts in flow regimes have affected fluvial marsh composition and distribution in this system. On the basis of GCES Phase II studies, we predicted that reduction of the range of daily flow fluctuations would result in: 1) reduced cover of previously established wet marsh taxa at stages above the interim flows maximum (566 m³/s), which had formerly been inundated on a regular basis (e.g., upper elevation RCC habitats); and 2) increased colonization of wet marsh taxa at lower stage elevations. In addition, planned flooding may be used as a management strategy to recreate critical sandbar habitats, such as return current channels; however, uncertainties exist regarding the stage and frequency of planned floods.

Our first prediction is supported by MIPS analysis and by on site monitoring of transects. Interim flows appear to be negatively influencing fluvial marshes established prior to 1991. MIPS analyses show that marsh area increased between 1990 and 1991, a period of nearly "normal operations", and between 1991 and 1992. In contrast, 5 of 9 mainstream marshes upstream from the LCR confluence decreased in size from 1992 to 1993. Because these marshes lie upstream from the LCR, they were not scoured by flooding, reduction in area constitutes a slight negative effect of interim flows on marsh development. Many of the previously established marshes occurred in RCCs that are no longer being inundated by flow fluctuations. In agreement with our predictions, these habitats are shifting from dominance by clonal wet marsh taxa to woody phreatophytes, especially *Salix exigua*.

Under interim flows we observed relatively rapid colonization of channel margin habitats by wet marsh taxa, particularly *Scirpus pungens*, *Phragmites australis* and *Typha* spp.. This colonization is strongly dependent on geomorphic position within the eddy, with RCC mouth expansion of established clonal species and primary colonization non-clonal herbaceous taxa (e.g., *Plantago* spp., *Conyza canadensis*, *Aster subulatus*, etc.) of relatively flat, fine-grained habitats at the current reattachment points. Because of the low stage at which these assemblages are developing, these new marsh patches are likely to be scoured by planned floods, as proposed in the EIS.

Ordination analyses also suggest that marsh vegetation composition is changing under interim flows in response to changing microsite conditions. Axis 1 is largely associated with moisture availability (Stevens et al. 1995), and our data suggest that wet marsh species scores are increasing in basal area in wetter settings. Changes in the rank of axis 2 scores suggests that interim flows caused an initial rapid adjustment of assemblages in relation to grain sizes but this

Table 2.04: Mean ranks of DECORANA marsh plant guild factor loading scores for axes 1, 2 and 3 for 1991, 1992 and 1993 from permanent transects along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon. Guilds are: 1 - wet marsh (cattail/reed); 2 - wet marsh (horsetail/herb), 3 - woody phreatophyte (tamarisk/arrowweed), 4 - dry marsh (horsetail/sandbar willow), 5 - upland/xeric (Mohave desertscrub). One sd and n are included.

GUILD	MEAN RANK OF DECORANA SPECIES LOADING SCORES									
	AX191	AX291	AX391	AX392	AX292	AX192	AX193	AX293	AX393	AX393
1	\bar{x}	18.67	23.07	17.93	57.17	33.58	52.08	31.00	25.90	41.30
	1sd	14.412	20.427	16.671	31.420	19.699	26.951	0.000	20.529	21.135
	n	15	15	14	18	18	18	10	10	10
2	\bar{x}	40.56	48.83	31.89	47.18	46.50	52.05	31.00	33.45	39.09
	1sd	21.700	23.997	22.262	25.063	27.613	30.970	0.000	14.166	15.300
	n	9	9	9	11	11	11	11	11	11
3	\bar{x}	52.79	39.82	56.06	48.71	58.46	52.19	31.00	28.75	19.19
	1sd	15.974	20.233	15.610	26.021	29.355	32.419	0.000	20.567	17.383
	n	17	17	17	24	24	24	16	16	16
4	\bar{x}	35.62	40.76	36.16	54.25	50.68	44.35	32.63	36.47	33.05
	1sd	18.561	19.581	19.065	24.800	26.440	24.669	12.271	17.836	13.048
	n	25	25	25	20	20	20	19	19	19
5	\bar{x}	46.00	41.21	43.00	38.54	49.08	46.38	31.00	24.75	17.75
	1sd	24.739	26.511	17.282	30.623	34.709	28.253	0.000	13.574	8.221
	n	7	7	7	13	13	13	4	4	4

assortative process may be slowing as interim flows proceed. As we previously reported, the distribution of fluvial marshes is dependent on microsite inundation frequency and grain size.

Our observation of aggradational changes associated with the LCR flooding events in 1993 suggest that brief, moderately high flows, coupled with a month of ≥ 700 m³/s flows results in aggradation of RCCs, but are insufficient to result in redevelopment of those features. Velocities required to scour silt-rich marsh sediments are considerably higher than those required to move sand; however, stage-related velocities in RCCs are not presently known for floods and such information is critical to understanding the process of RCC development. To the extent that RCCs support highly productive, early seral stages of marsh development, as well as nursery areas for larval native fish and habitat for avifauna, we conclude that short flooding spikes of the magnitude proposed by the EIS will not be sufficient to restore these characteristic habitats in the Grand Canyon. If planned flooding is to be used as a management strategy, as proposed in the draft EIS, more study should be devoted to understanding how activation and scour of RCCs occurs. We suspect that planned high flows should be somewhat larger and probably of longer duration than those that occurred in 1993.

From these analyses we conclude that the future maintenance and development of fluvial marshes under an interim flows-style flow regime depends on the frequency of planned floods and erratic tributary flows. It is likely that continued interim flows and a regular flooding program will reduce fluvial marsh cover in this system. Continued monitoring is required to evaluate long-term changes in fluvial marsh responses to flow events in this system.

CHAPTER III

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INTRODUCTION

Terrestrial plant species maintain a negative xylem water potential (XWP) through the process of transpirational water loss at the leaf or stem surface (Hale and Orcutt 1987). If insufficient soil water is available to maintain water balance, XWP decreases and the plant may become stressed and alter allocation patterns, changes that may result in wilting, dieback or mortality. Each terrestrial plant species functions within its own XWP range, which varies across moisture gradients and between species (Schollander et al. 1965). Halophytes and xerophytes may be adapted to drought stress and some may operate under XWP values as low as -6.0 MPa. In contrast, riparian species are much less tolerant of drought, commonly operating the range of -0.1 to -3.0 MPa. Riparian and wetland phreatophytes require direct contact with the water table or the capillary fringe to maintain water balance, and for photosynthesis, growth and reproduction (Fenner et al. 1984, Stromberg and Patten 1991, Busch et al. 1992). Maintenance of plant water potential (XWP) is particularly important for such species in arid regions, because they are usually poorly adapted to the surrounding xeric conditions. Differences between riparian species' root architecture may influence water uptake under fluctuating groundwater conditions (Koslowski 1984). For example, Stevens and Waring (1985) observed differences in survival and recovery after flooding for riparian species with different root architectures, from deeply-rooted *Prosopis glandulosa*, to adventitiously-rooting *Tamarix ramosissima*, to clonal (rhizomatous) taxa such as *Salix exigua*.

Operations of Glen Canyon Dam between 1963 and 1991 permitted development of novel, biologically productive fluvial marshes along the Colorado River throughout the Grand Canyon; however, variation in flow influences these riparian plant assemblages in this system (Stevens et al. 1995). Implementation of interim flows in August, 1991 reduced daily and monthly discharge fluctuations, potentially affecting lower riparian zone vegetation in the Colorado River ecosystem. Interim flows criteria include low daily ranges and reduced monthly mean flows, particularly during May and June, when daily air temperatures are high. River stage changes are quickly translated into bankstored groundwater stage changes in the unconsolidated riverside sand bars in Colorado River sandbars in this system (Budhu 1992; Carpenter et al. 1992). Interim flows may influence marsh plant species by changing bankstored groundwater availability, altering composition and reducing productivity. Characteristic marsh species, such as cattail, are distributed in relation to soil texture and moisture availability in this system, and reduced flow fluctuation may influence these important physical gradients (Stevens et al., 1995).

In this study we evaluated the effects of interim flows and monthly changes in river flow regimes associated with Glen Canyon Dam interim flows on the XWP of a marsh indicator species (*S. exigua*), an ubiquitous marsh affiliate in this system. Characteristic marsh species in this system include horsetail (*Equisetum* spp.), sedge (*Scirpus* spp., *Carex* spp.), rush (*Juncus* spp.), cattail (*Typha* spp.) and reed (*Phragmites australis*). These species are herbaceous and rhizomatous, but have hollow, triangular or flat stem structures that reduce effective measurement of plant water potential using standard pressure bomb techniques (Schollander et al. 1965). However, *Salix exigua* is a common, woody marsh species and its xylem water potential can be readily be measured with these techniques. We measured plant water potential and stem growth of *S. exigua* across stage elevation gradients at four sandbars. We collected data during the pre-dawn and mid-day hours during low-, medium- and high-flow months in 1993. We hypothesized that monthly flow volume is negatively correlated with *S. exigua* plant water potential (XWP), and that measurement of this parameter could be used as an effective monitoring method, as proposed by Stromberg et al. (1993).

METHODS

Measurement of Plant Water Potential

Plant water potential is a measure of the amount of free energy per unit volume between matrix (soil) bound, pressurized or osmotically bound water within the plant, in comparison with that of pure water. Measurement of plant water potential was pioneered by P.F. Schollander and associates (1965) with the development of the commonly used pressure bomb method. By placing the cut stem of a plant into a chamber and pressurizing it with N₂ gas, xylem fluid is forced out of the cut stem. The pressure (as megapascals, MPa with 1 MPa = 10 bars) required to drive fluid out of the stem is a measure of XWP. XWP is a relative (species-specific and condition-specific) measure of moisture stress in plants, and the pressure bomb technique is a standard and effective means of evaluating the amount of moisture stress in field situations (Stromberg et al. 1993). Stress is an induced change in physiological processes that results in a reduction of plant growth, yield or survival (Hale and Orcutt 1987). XWP changes dramatically over the course of a day, with moderate values in the pre-dawn hours, and lower values during sunny days when transpiration is maximized. Predawn XWP measurements are conservative estimates of stress; however, mid-day values provide insight on the range in drought tolerance of a given plant species. In this study we used a PMS, Inc. Schollander-type pressure bomb, and employed the recommended protocol for preparing cut stems (PMS, Inc. Corvallis, OR).

Study Organism

XWP is nearly or wholly impossible to measure on marsh macrophytes directly because of irregular stem cross-sections (e.g. triangular stems of *Scirpus* and *Carex*, or flat stems of *Typha domingensis*). Therefore we selected a closely associated woody shrub that also occurred in fluvial marshes to serve as an indicator species. *Salix exigua* is a shallow-rooted, native, clonal willow that occupies the peripheries of Colorado River marshes throughout the Grand

Canyon. From research on S. exigua during GCES-II, XWP is known to be affected by temperature, relative humidity and somewhat on river stage. S. exigua water relations are sufficiently well known to its use as an indicator species for monitoring habitat water availability (Donovan and Ehlringer 1991, Stevens and Ayers 1993). These studies indicate that S. exigua functions in a physiologically similar range of XWP as many marsh species, but may be slightly more tolerant of chronic drought stress.

Study Area

The Colorado River in the Grand Canyon is regulated by Glen Canyon Dam, a 200 m high hydroelectric facility located 25 km upstream of Lees Ferry, Arizona (Fig. 3.01). The daily range of Colorado River fluctuations under normal dam operations is dependent on distance from Glen Canyon Dam and geomorphic reach characteristics. Under normal operations, wide reaches commonly experienced more than 2 m of daily stage change during the mid-summer months; however, interim flows have reduced daily fluctuations by half. Daily river fluctuations are translated into phreatic surface stage changes within sand bars in a complex fashion, with the amplitude of groundwater stage fluctuations decreasing with distance away from the riverside (Budhu 1992, Carpenter et al. 1992). Completion of Glen Canyon Dam in 1963 resulted in a dramatic increase in marsh vegetation (Turner and Karpiscak 1980, Stevens et al., 1995), particularly in wide reaches. Wide geomorphic reaches in this system support far greater fluvial marsh density and cover because reduced current velocity allows for deposition of alluvial sediments, and because softer parent rock provides more low-gradient surface area for colonization (Schmidt and Graf 1990, Blinn et al. 1992, Stevens and Ayers 1993, Stevens et al., 1995). By convention, locations along the river are designated by miles from Lees Ferry.

Field Study Sites

We selected four study sites at which to measure Salix exigua XWP in 1993 (Fig. 3.01): Miles 43L, 50L, 171.5L and 194L marshes (Fig. 3.01). These sites provided S. exigua populations with numerous genets distributed across stage elevations of 425 m³/s up to 1,430 m³/s (from the upper range of interim flows to the upper limit of the lower riparian zone; Stevens and Ayers 1993). Sand bar stratigraphy was well known at these sites (Beus and Avery 1992). Hypsometric relationships have been determined from those survey data and topographic changes have been documented. The four study sites are reattachment bars (sensu Schmidt and Graf 1990), with bar platforms inundated by flows of ca. 900 m³/s, near the normal maximum powerplant capacity.

The Mile 43L site is a reattachment bar in an upper pool environment, composed of well-sorted fine- to medium-grained sand (Beus and Avery 1992). The upstream portions of the bar platform and the return current channel were overlaid with a 0.5 m thick deposit of silty fine sand, deposited in 1987-1989. The 1,150 m³/s to 1,400 m³/s terrace at the 43 Mile study site was composed of a 1.0-1.5 m thick deposit of fine to medium sand overlying a much thicker

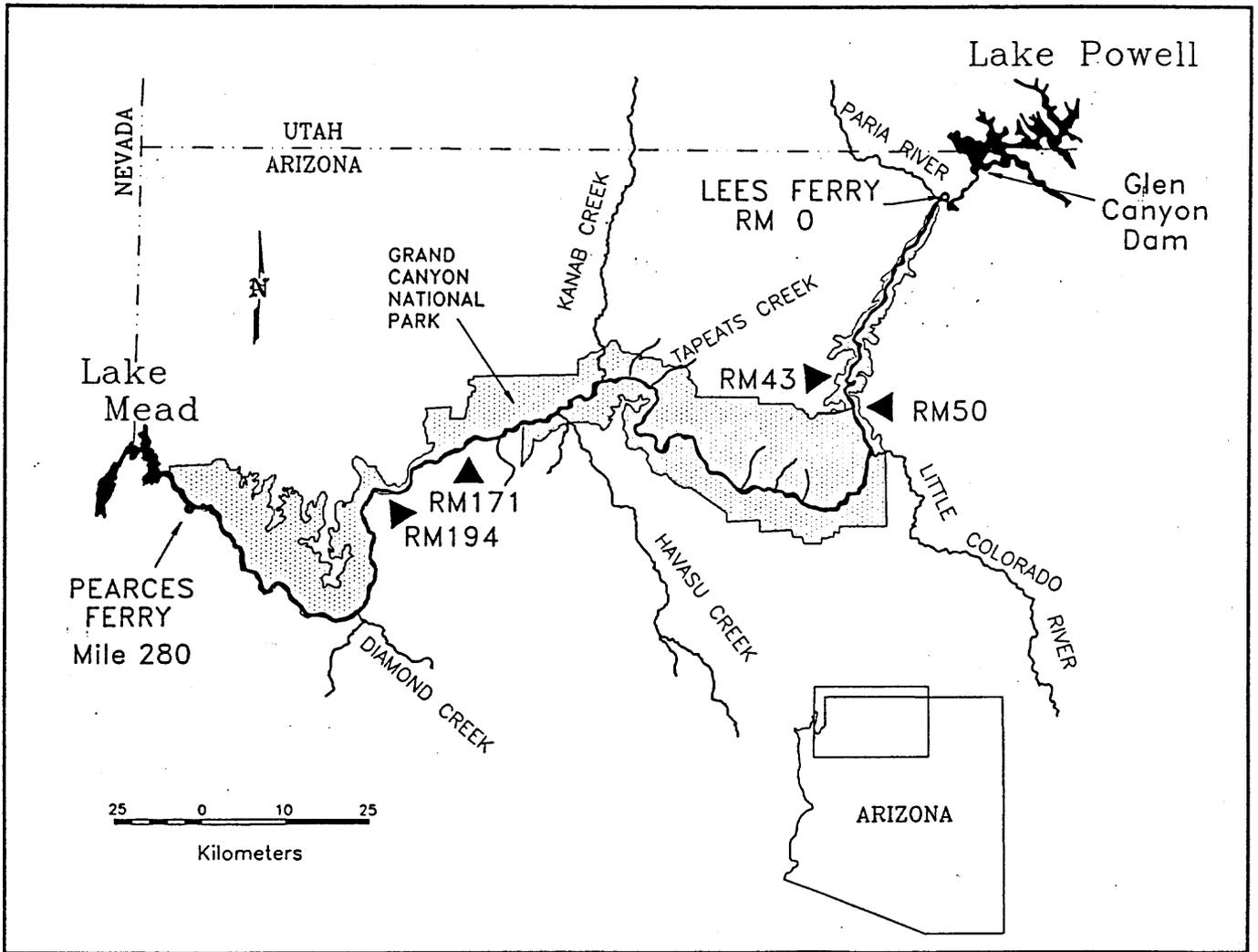


Figure 3.01: Map of *Salix exigua* xylem water potential study sites in the Grand Canyon.

silty fine sand deposit probably pre-dam in origin. The bar had been extensively reworked by flooding in 1983, with minor reworking in 1984-1986. S. exigua exists from approximately 400 to 1500 m³/s stage elevations at this site. Stage-to-discharge relationships were generated for this site as part of the sand bar topographic studies of Beus and Avery (1992) and detailed marsh studies (Stevens et al., 1995). At the onset of interim flows, the Mile 43L marsh occupied the return current channel (RCC); however, interim flows inundate only the lower one-third of this formerly well-developed return channel. We sampled approximately 20 marked S. exigua and several random stems on distinctive terraces at the 425, 550, 700, 850 and 1,100 m³/s stage elevations at this site. Sampling took place during pre-dawn and mid-day hours in May (low flow month), June (moderate flow month), July (high flow month), September (moderate flow month) and October (low flow month, mid-day measurements only) in 1993.

Although we initially proposed Mile 51.5L marsh as a study site, that site was closed due to suspected presence of breeding Southwest willow flycatcher. Therefore we selected the nearest comparable site as an alternative. The Mile 50L marsh provided S. exigua stems across a range of stage elevations from approximately 400 to 1,130 m³/s stage elevations. This is a reattachment bar with a well-developed return channel that is inundated on a daily basis by all interim flows. We sampled approximately 20 marked S. exigua and several random stems on distinctive terraces at the 550, 850 and 1,100 m³/s stage elevations at this site. Sampling took place during pre-dawn and mid-day hours in May (low flow month), June (moderate flow month), July (high flow month), September (moderate flow month) and October (low flow month, mid-day measurements only) in 1993.

The Mile 171.5L site was a reattachment bar in an upper pool environment, composed of well-sorted fine- to medium-grained sand in the wide, low gradient Lower Canyon reach. The bar surface up to the 935 m³/s stage was inundated by flooding from the Little Colorado River in January and February, 1993, and a silty fine sand veneer of ca. 30 cm was deposited on the 566 m³/s terrace. We sampled approximately 20 marked S. exigua and several random stems on distinctive terraces at the 425, 700, 1,100 and 1,400 m³/s stage elevations at this site. Sampling took place during pre-dawn and mid-day hours in May (low flow month), June (moderate flow month), July (high flow month), September (moderate flow month) and October (low flow month, mid-day measurements only) in 1993.

The Mile 194L marsh exists on a well-studied reattachment bar and occupies a large return current channel (Beus and Avery 1992, Stevens et al. 1995). This site provided S. exigua stems across a range of stage elevations from approximately 400 to 1,130 m³/s stage elevations. Initial interim flows inundated only about half of the RCC, and aggradation of ca. 0.5 m of fine silty sand took place in the RCC at this site during the January-February, 1993 Little Colorado River floods. We sampled approximately 20 marked S. exigua and several random stems on distinctive terraces at the 550, 850 and 1,100 m³/s stage elevations at this site. Sampling took place during pre-dawn and mid-day hours in May (low flow month), June (moderate flow month), July (high flow month), September (moderate flow month) and October (low flow month, mid-day measurements only) in 1993.

Field Data Collection

Sampling was conducted during pre-dawn (midnight to first light) and mid-day (11:00 to 16:30 in full sunlight) periods. One stem was removed from each of more than 20 tagged individuals and measured for XWP before cutting and processing another stem. Temperature and relative humidity (sling psychrometer method) were recorded at the beginning and ending of sampling within each stand at each site. In addition to sampling the 20 marked plants, we also sampled three nearby randomly selected plants in each zone. We surveyed the root crown elevations of marked plants on both sites using standard electronic surveying equipment and following GCES-II land surveying protocol. We also measured nodal growth of the marked plants in 1993. Survey data are archived in the U.S. BOR GCES Information Management System (Flagstaff, Arizona).

Preliminary tests of within-plant variability revealed little difference in XWP throughout the canopies of individual *S. exigua* plants (Schollander et al. 1965, Stevens and Ayers 1993). Therefore, we continued the protocol of cutting lateral stems of the appropriate diameter for the pressure bomb from 1-2 m above the ground. Stevens and Ayers (1993) evaluated the effects of delayed measurement after cutting on XWP values by collecting several stems and processing samples at 1.25 minute intervals. They reported that XWP values increased at a rate of 0.03 MPa/min (depending on initial XWP level) during the first several minutes. Therefore, we continued to measure XWP on sampled stems within one minute after cutting.

We tested the effects of monthly double sampling from individually marked plants by comparing XWP levels of randomly sampled plants with marked plants in each stand during each sampling event. Comparison of mean monthly XWP values in each zone at each site revealed no significant difference between marked and random plants (Wilcoxon $Z_{47,56} = -1.253$, $p_{2-sided} = 0.206$). Therefore we concluded that this intensity of repeated sampling had no influence on the marked populations. We pooled random and marked stem data to describe thermal and relative humidity model influences on XWP (below).

Analyses

First we evaluated the suitability of *S. exigua* as an indicator species by determining the influence of stage (a negative correlate of moisture availability) on *S. exigua* nodal growth. We conducted a multiple stepwise linear regression analysis of annual nodal growth across stage elevation, and in response to total ramet length, basal area and stem age, at the Mile 43L willow stand in the Fall of 1992.

Temporal and spatial variability of dry bulb temperature and relative humidity were evaluated between sites using multiple analysis of covariance (SYSTAT v. 5.1, Wilkinson 1991). This MANCOVA model contained the following factors: site (a distance-related function), month in 1993, time-of-day (pre-dawn versus mid-day), an interaction term between month and time-of-day, and stage elevation (a covariate).

We analyzed the relationship between temperature and relative humidity on *S. exigua* XWP, a relationship which had previously been demonstrated as important by Stevens and Ayers (1993). We used multiple stepwise linear regression analysis of all 1993 data pooled, which revealed the following relationship:

$$\text{XWP (MPa)} = 0.23 \text{ ASPCRH} - 0.0495 \text{ T} + 0.3019 \quad (\text{Eq. 1})$$

$$(r^2 = 0.678, F_{2,2448} = 2577.7, p < 0.0001)$$

where ASPCRH is the arcsine-squareroot-transformed relative humidity and T is temperature (°C). Thus XWP is strongly negatively correlated with temperature at low relative humidity levels and less so at high relative humidities (Fig. 3.02). To standardize for temperature and relative humidity effects, we transformed all XWP values using Equation 1, creating an adjusted XWP value.

We analyzed adjusted XWP *S. exigua* using analysis of covariance (SYSTAT v. 5.1, Wilkinson 1991). The ANCOVA model contained the following factors: site (a distance-related function), month in 1993, sampling time-of-day (pre-dawn versus mid-day), an interaction term between month and time-of-day, and stage elevation (a covariate). A primary concern was whether monthly flow regime changes, unrelated to temperature and relative humidity, were correlated with adjusted *S. exigua* XWP.

We analyzed the effects of chronic stress on *S. exigua* growth by calculating the mean monthly temperature-humidity adjusted XWP value for each of 260 individually marked stems from all sites and zones in 1993. We conducted a multiple stepwise regression analysis with \log_n -transformed nodal growth in 1993 (measured in late September, 1993) as a response variable, and with predictor variables including: \log_n -transformed distance from Lees Ferry, AZ (km), \log_n -transformed ramet age (mm, as determined by examination of ramet node arrangement), temperature-humidity adjusted pre-dawn XWP, adjusted mid-day XWP, and \log_n -adjusted stage elevation.

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

S. exigua as an Indicator Species

S. exigua nodal growth varied across stage elevation at the Mile 43L willow stand. This analysis indicated that ramet growth was strongly negatively correlated with elevation above the river, and that other factors influenced *S. exigua* growth, including stem age, stem length and basal area.

$$(\text{arcsine } G_{1992})^{-.5} = 9.635 - [0.079 * E] - [0.089 * A] - [0.199 * \log(L)] + [0.029 * B]$$

$$(r_2 = 0.460, F_{4,159} = 35.770, p < 0.001)$$

where G_{1992} is the percent stem growth in 1992 relative to total stem length, E is relative stage elevation (m), A is ramet age (yr), L is the total stem length (cm), and B is basal area (cm²). From this analysis we concluded that *S. exigua* exhibited a strong response to moisture availability. Its dominance in and around fluvial marshes (Stevens et al., 1995) therefore makes it a good indicator of marsh drought stress.

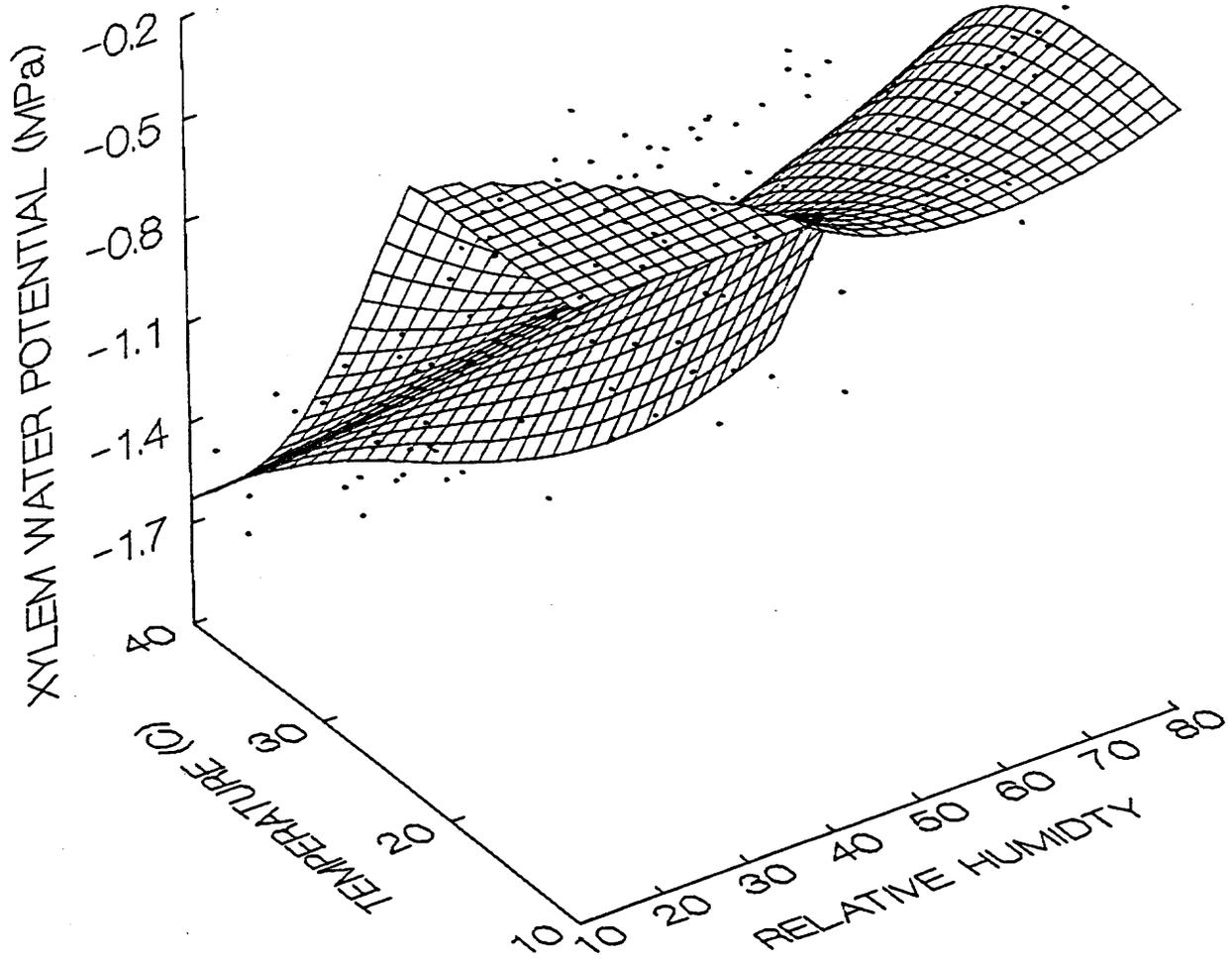


Figure 3.02: Salix exigua xylem water potential in relation to relative humidity and temperature.

Temporal and Spatial Variation in Temperature and Humidity

Temperature and relative humidity varied in relation to stage elevation, between day and night, between months in 1993 and between sites (over distance downstream from Glen Canyon Dam (overall MANCOVA Wilk's $F_{20,4930} = 233.7$, $p < 0.0001$; Table 3.01, 3.02, Fig. 3.02). Univariate MANCOVA results demonstrated that all single-factor effects were highly significant, varying, as expected, according to day versus night, between months during the summer, and and over distance downstream from Glen Canyon Dam. Air temperature was higher during the day, in mid-summer, and at the downstream-most sites. Relative humidity was higher at night, during spring and fall, after onset of the summer monsoon, and at the downstream-most sites. Interactions between time of day and month, month by site, and site by stage stage zone were also significant for temperature and relative humidity as a result of seasonal climate changes. Interaction between time of day and season were significant for temperature but not relative humidity.

Temporal and Spatial Variation in XWP

Adjusted XWP varied by time of day, between study sites and between months (Tables 3.03, 3.04). Adjusted XWP varied strongly between pre-dawn and mid-day sampling periods at all sites, typically doubling or tripling from pre-dawn to mid-day periods (A versus B in Figs. 3.03-3.06). A significant time-of-day by month interaction was attributable to increased magnitude of difference between pre-dawn and mid-day adjusted XWP during the middle of summer as compared to the spring and fall months.

Adjusted XWP varied between study sites (Tables 3.03, 3.04; Figs. 3.03-3.06). Soil texture is closely correlated with soil water retention in this system (Stevens and Ayers 1993, Stevens et al., 1995), and stratigraphic differences in soil texture varies between these sites.

Adjusted XWP varied between months at all sites (Tables 3.03, 3.04; Figs. 3.03-3.06). May and October (low flow volume months) were typically one-third to one-half of the June and July values. Given that temperature and relative humidity effects were eliminated as an influence on XWP, this analysis reveals that monthly flow volume was exerting a significant influence on S. exigua water relations. Monthly influences are likely related to soil desiccation during the summer months.

Adjusted XWP displayed a non-significant negative correlation with stage zone (Tables 3.03, 3.04; Figs. 3.03-3.06). The lack of significance in relation to stage zone was attributable to the adjustment of XWP for temperature and relative humidity, which vary between months and across the stage gradient (Tables 3.01, 3.02).

Salix exigua Growth

\log_n -transformed S. exigua annual stem growth (G_{1993}) was positively correlated with \log_n -transformed distance downstream (D) and with both mean monthly pre-dawn (P_{am}) and mean mid-day (P_{pm}) adjusted XWP values, and was negatively correlated with \log_n -transformed ramet age (A) in the stepwise linear regression analysis (Table 3.04):

Table 3.01: Summary statistics of temperature (°C), relative humidity, and mean, 1 sd and sample size of temperature-humidity adjusted *Salix exigua* XWP from four study sites in May, June, July, September and October, 1993.

SITE (km)	MONTH (1993)	SAMPLING TIME (PRE-DAWN 1 MID-DAY 2)	STAGE ZONE (m ³ /s)	MONTHLY MEAN ADJ'D XWP (MPa)	1 SD ADJ'D XWP (MPa)	SAMPLE SIZE OF XWP MEASUREMENTS	MONTHLY MEAN % RELATIVE HUMIDITY	MEAN TEMPERATURE (°C)
69.2	5	1	425	-0.097	0.001	13	60.7	10.3
69.2	5	1	566	-0.094	0.004	19	65.7	9.6
69.2	5	1	710	-0.100	0.000	20	65.9	9.7
69.2	5	1	850	-0.097	0.001	20	62.0	10.1
69.2	5	1	990	-0.097	0.008	19	52.4	11.1
69.2	5	2	425	-0.827	0.049	12	34.4	26.4
69.2	5	2	566	-0.853	0.028	20	26.6	26.4
69.2	5	2	710	-0.778	0.002	23	28.2	25.1
69.2	5	2	850	-0.868	0.017	21	22.7	26.4
69.2	5	2	990	-1.006	0.025	23	19.5	28.5
69.2	6	1	425	-0.728	0.004	23	29.8	24.3
69.2	6	1	566	-0.759	0.006	23	23.6	24.6
69.2	6	1	710	-0.779	0.041	22	22.7	24.9
69.2	6	1	850	-0.818	0.000	24	23.1	25.6
69.2	6	1	990	-0.870	0.008	21	21.7	26.4
69.2	6	2	425	-0.897	0.038	23	27.2	27.2
69.2	6	2	566	-0.966	0.003	23	29.1	28.6
69.2	6	2	710	-1.207	0.020	22	17.3	31.5
69.2	6	2	850	-1.237	0.003	23	15.7	31.8
69.2	6	2	990	-1.063	0.020	20	19.9	29.4
69.2	7	1	425	-0.522	0.026	12	54.2	20.8
69.2	7	1	566	-0.668	0.006	23	57.6	24.4
69.2	7	1	710	-0.683	0.016	23	51.5	24.4
69.2	7	1	850	-0.656	0.054	23	53.7	23.9
69.2	7	1	990	-0.906	0.015	23	37.6	28.2
69.2	7	2	425	-1.268	0.032	23	35.6	35.0
69.2	7	2	566	-1.449	0.006	18	31.5	37.8
69.2	7	2	710	-1.458	0.012	23	30.6	37.8
69.2	7	2	850	-1.469	0.070	28	32.1	38.2
69.2	7	2	990	-1.490	0.004	23	28.8	38.1
69.2	9	1	425	-0.346	0.007	12	64.6	16.4
69.2	9	1	566	-0.338	0.003	17	71.3	15.8
69.2	9	1	710	-0.360	0.002	21	67.2	16.7
69.2	9	1	850	-0.375	0.002	22	62.4	17.2
69.2	9	1	990	-0.409	0.004	17	56.3	18.2
69.2	9	2	425	-1.083	0.044	12	32.8	31.1
69.2	9	2	566	-0.973	0.012	18	47.6	30.6
69.2	9	2	710	-1.004	0.021	22	44.4	30.8
69.2	9	2	850	-1.003	0.017	22	42.0	30.6
69.2	9	2	990	-1.654	0.002	17	13.8	38.1
69.2	10	2	425	-0.632	0.010	15	49.2	23.2
69.2	10	2	566	-0.530	0.028	20	54.8	21.0
69.2	10	2	710	-0.676	0.083	13	45.2	23.9
69.2	10	2	850	-0.732	0.007	13	36.9	24.7
69.2	10	2	990	-0.848	0.030	20	34.4	26.8
80.5	5	1	566	-0.168	0.002	20	57.0	12.4
80.5	5	1	850	-0.171	0.006	20	42.8	13.4
80.5	5	1	1130	-0.102	0.008	20	44.1	11.9
80.5	6	1	566	-0.558	0.015	23	32.7	21.3
80.5	6	1	850	-0.610	0.016	23	26.7	22.1
80.5	6	1	1130	-0.613	0.016	23	24.6	22.1
80.5	7	1	566	-0.421	0.013	23	77.7	18.1
80.5	7	1	850	-0.435	0.004	23	73.3	18.6
80.5	7	1	1130	-0.496	0.034	23	63.8	20.3
80.5	7	2	566	-1.050	0.186	23	47.9	31.9
80.5	7	2	850	-1.328	0.027	23	31.7	35.6
80.5	7	2	1130	-1.719	0.011	23	20.2	40.4
80.5	9	1	566	-0.632	0.065	16	40.0	22.8
80.5	9	1	850	-0.549	0.025	20	44.2	21.3
80.5	9	1	1130	-0.805	0.002	22	34.1	26.0
80.5	9	2	566	-1.501	0.077	17	20.6	36.8
80.5	9	2	850	-1.355	0.024	15	23.8	34.9
80.5	10	2	566	-0.712	0.025	13	44.9	24.7
80.5	10	2	850	-0.638	0.027	15	49.3	23.3
80.5	10	2	1130	-0.557	0.013	14	59.9	21.8

Table 3.01 (continued)

SITE (km)	MONTH (1993)	SAMPLING TIME (PRE-DAWN 1 MID-DAY 2)	STAGE ZONE (m ³ /s)	MONTHLY MEAN ADJ'D XWP (MPa)	1 SD ADJ'D XWP (MPa)	SAMPLE SIZE OF XWP MEASUREMENTS	MONTHLY MEAN % RELATIVE HUMIDITY	MEAN TEMPERATURE (°C)
276.0	5	1	425	-0.425	0.013	12	79.9	18.2
276.0	5	1	710	-0.446	0.010	20	77.9	18.9
276.0	5	1	1130	-0.462	0.000	21	75.9	19.4
276.0	5	1	1420	-0.462	0.000	11	75.9	19.4
276.0	5	2	425	-0.814	0.019	12	45.6	26.9
276.0	5	2	710	-0.866	0.045	19	45.8	28.1
276.0	5	2	1130	-0.816	0.003	23	55.0	27.8
276.0	5	2	1420	-0.991	0.042	12	39.2	30.0
276.0	6	1	425	-0.538	0.043	19	42.6	21.0
276.0	6	1	710	-0.532	0.009	23	37.5	20.8
276.0	6	1	1130	-0.589	0.018	22	37.4	21.9
276.0	6	1	1420	-0.598	0.026	14	35.9	22.1
276.0	6	2	425	-1.603	0.010	12	16.5	37.8
276.0	6	2	710	-1.584	0.009	12	18.9	37.9
276.0	6	2	1130	-1.790	0.000	11	12.9	40.0
276.0	6	2	1420	-1.783	0.010	13	15.3	40.4
276.0	7	1	425	-0.634	0.011	17	44.1	23.1
276.0	7	1	710	-0.566	0.001	24	65.8	22.2
276.0	7	1	1130	-0.661	0.029	24	62.4	24.5
276.0	7	1	1420	-0.708	0.033	16	59.2	25.5
276.0	7	2	425	-1.169	0.006	19	48.0	34.9
276.0	7	2	710	-1.233	0.027	25	42.0	35.3
276.0	7	2	1130	-1.365	0.022	23	32.6	36.4
276.0	7	2	1420	-1.364	0.017	15	37.8	37.2
276.0	9	1	425	-0.360	0.020	20	41.9	17.4
276.0	9	1	710	-0.344	0.006	26	45.5	16.9
276.0	9	1	1130	-0.385	0.011	24	38.7	17.9
276.0	9	1	1420	-0.418	0.009	13	33.9	18.6
276.0	9	2	425	-1.269	0.024	9	21.0	33.0
276.0	9	2	710	-1.259	0.024	29	20.5	32.8
276.0	9	2	1130	-1.438	0.018	21	13.9	34.7
276.0	9	2	1420	-1.292	0.066	7	17.6	32.9
276.0	10	2	425	-0.547	0.005	13	45.2	21.3
276.0	10	2	710	-0.524	0.000	15	49.8	20.8
276.0	10	2	1130	-0.602	0.013	22	43.0	22.4
276.0	10	2	1420	-0.629	0.000	14	39.1	22.8
312.1	5	1	566	-0.404	0.011	19	70.2	17.8
312.1	5	1	850	-0.380	0.002	21	74.4	16.9
312.1	5	1	1130	-0.376	0.001	21	80.3	16.5
312.1	5	2	566	-0.900	0.037	20	63.6	30.8
312.1	5	2	850	-0.986	0.039	20	45.3	30.6
312.1	5	2	1130	-1.206	0.008	20	26.5	32.6
312.1	6	1	566	-0.567	0.016	18	44.0	21.7
312.1	6	1	850	-0.695	0.025	20	37.7	24.0
312.1	6	1	1130	-0.738	0.012	23	34.6	24.7
312.1	6	2	566	-1.252	0.056	20	31.9	34.2
312.1	6	2	850	-1.354	0.030	22	27.7	35.4
312.1	6	2	1130	-1.044	0.006	24	30.4	30.1
312.1	7	1	566	-0.505	0.025	24	76.5	20.8
312.1	7	1	850	-0.612	0.029	21	57.7	23.1
312.1	7	1	1130	-0.785	0.000	25	50.4	26.7
312.1	7	2	566	-1.067	0.000	23	52.9	33.3
312.1	7	2	850	-1.091	0.018	21	47.2	33.1
312.1	7	2	1130	-1.350	0.073	25	34.6	36.4
312.1	9	1	566	-0.167	0.013	18	63.0	11.8
312.1	9	1	850	-0.207	0.008	19	60.4	13.1
312.1	9	1	1130	-0.357	0.009	23	32.7	17.5
312.1	9	2	566	-1.285	0.021	20	19.3	33.1
312.1	9	2	850	-1.160	0.025	20	26.4	31.8
312.1	9	2	1130	-1.598	0.007	22	11.8	36.8
312.1	10	2	566	-0.616	0.057	4	45.1	22.7
312.1	10	2	850	-0.560	0.028	19	44.7	21.5
312.1	10	2	1130	-0.787	0.007	20	30.3	25.4

Table 3.02: MANCOVA table of temperature (T°C) and arcsine-square-root transformed relative humidity (ASRH) responses to month, time-of-day (pre-dawn versus mid-day), study site location (distance from Glen Canyon Dam), stage zone, and all two-way interactions at four Salix exigua XWP study sites along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon.

SOURCE	WILKS LAMBDA	APPROXIMATE F-VALUE (df)	P	SIGNIFICANCE OF RESPONSE VARIABLES	
				pT°C	P _{ASRH}
Overall Model	0.264	233.664 _{20,4930}	< 0.001	< 0.001	0.004
Time-of-Day (T)	0.882	165.209 _{2,2465}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Month (M)	0.943	74.373 _{2,2465}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Stage Zone (Z)	0.998	2.715 _{2,2465}	0.066	< 0.090	0.023
Site (S)	0.817	275.252 _{2,2465}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
<u>2-WAY INTERACTIONS</u>					
T*M	0.962	48.327 _{2,2465}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
T*Z	0.999	0.687 _{2,2465}	0.503	0.804	0.422
T*S	0.996	4.910 _{2,2465}	0.007	0.032	0.509
M*Z	0.999	0.548 _{2,2465}	0.578	0.300	0.639
M*S	0.719	480.978 _{2,2465}	< 0.001	< 0.001	< 0.001
Z*S	0.997	3.790 _{2,2465}	0.023	0.017	0.013

Table 3.03: Mean monthly temperature-humidity adjusted *S. exiguus* XWP values in relation to 1993 annual stem growth at four locations along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, Arizona.

SITE (km)	STAGE (m ³ /s)	MEAN RAMET AGE (1 sd) (Yr)	MEAN ADJ'D PRE- DAWN XWP (1 sd) (MPa)	MEAN ADJ'D MID- DAY XWP (1 sd) (MPa)	MEAN NODE 1993 GROWTH (1 sd) (mm)	n
69.2	425	8.8 (2.683)	-0.27 (0.164)	-0.92 (0.080)	170.20 (155.811)	5
69.2	565	9.7 (0.825)	-0.48 (0.075)	-1.01 (0.082)	142.14 (166.002)	14
69.2	710	9.3 (1.380)	-0.49 (0.061)	-1.08 (0.054)	168.85 (64.036)	20
69.2	850	8.9 (1.997)	-0.51 (0.074)	-1.13 (0.057)	97.30 (76.013)	20
69.2	990	8.8 (2.502)	-0.61 (0.170)	-1.19 (0.092)	85.43 (149.378)	21
80.5	565	9.6 (1.383)	-0.42 (0.030)	-1.11 (0.169)	112.21 (77.566)	19
80.5	850	10.0 (0.224)	-0.44 (0.014)	-1.18 (0.123)	292.65 (106.065)	20
80.5	1130	10.0 (0.000)	-0.50 (0.045)	-1.40 (0.295)	57.63 (64.207)	19
275.9	425	1.1 (0.289)	-0.54 (0.070)	-1.22 (0.213)	1106.67 (206.546)	12
275.9	710	8.4 (2.468)	-0.47 (0.059)	-1.09 (0.128)	285.76 (248.565)	25
275.9	1130	10.0 (0.000)	-0.54 (0.057)	-1.13 (0.147)	230.52 (84.843)	21
275.9	1420	9.5 (1.732)	-0.60 (0.038)	-1.19 (0.098)	165.08 (63.736)	12
312.1	565	10.0 (0.000)	-0.43 (0.051)	-1.10 (0.056)	560.28 (232.995)	18
312.1	850	8.7 (2.164)	-0.48 (0.029)	-1.05 (0.073)	624.00 (426.022)	18
312.1	1130	2.1 (2.810)	-0.59 (0.090)	-1.21 (0.093)	1738.00 (599.240)	22

Table 3.04: Multiple linear regression analysis of *S. exigua* annual nodal growth (mm) in response to mean temperature-humidity adjusted pre-dawn and mid-day XWP, study site distance from Glen Canyon Dam, stand stage elevation, and ramet age at four study sites along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon.

SOURCE	T-STATISTIC	p (2-TAIL)
Log _n (Distance)	10.472	< 0.001
Log _n (Ramet Age)	-9.167	< 0.001
Adj'd XWP (Pre-dawn)	2.642	< 0.009
Adj'd XWP (Mid-day)	3.361	< 0.001

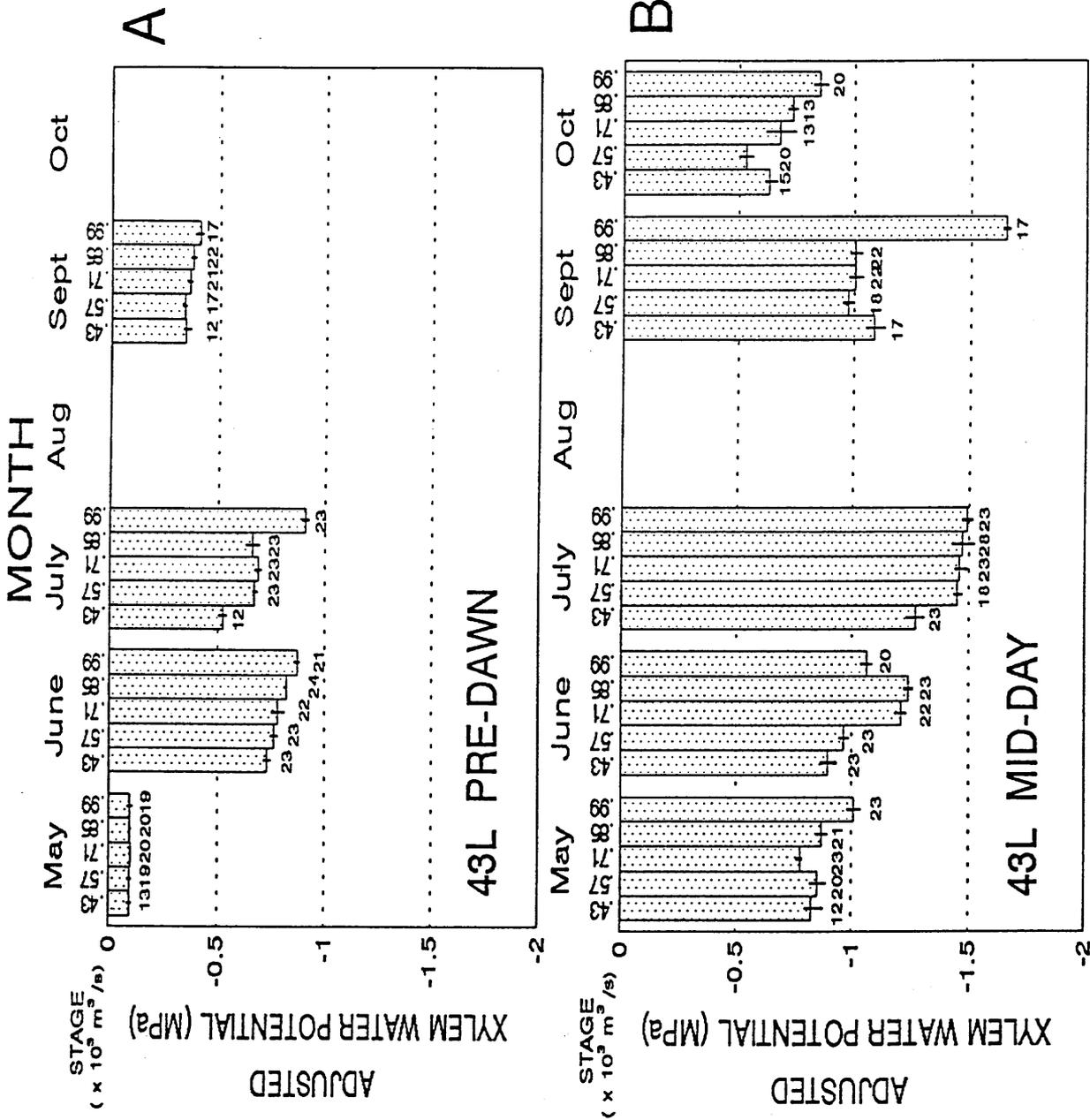


Figure 3.03: *Salix exigua* xylem water potential at five stage elevations at the Mile-43L site in 1993 during (A) pre-dawn and (B) mid-day periods.

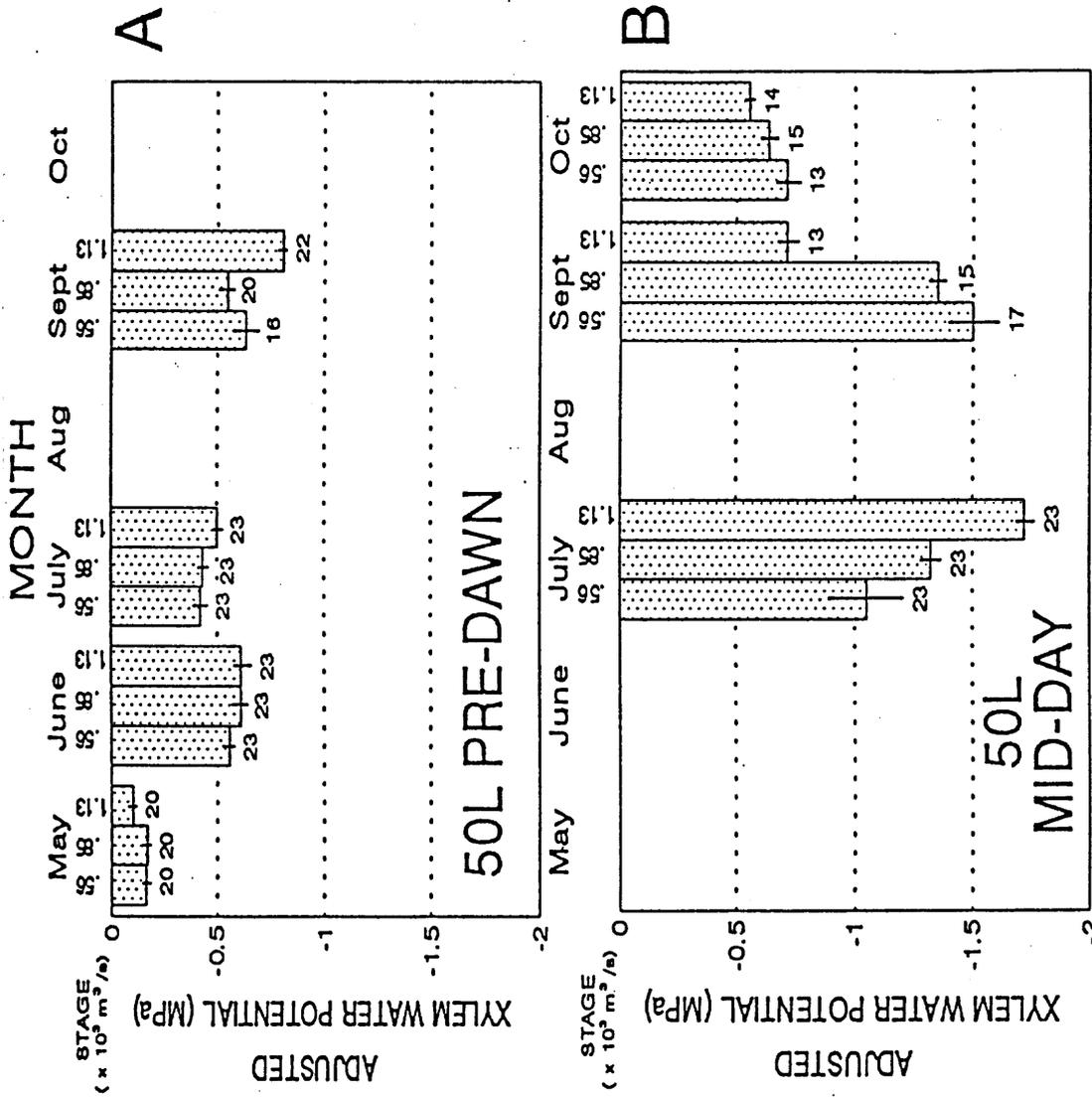


Figure 3.04: *Salix exigua* xylem water potential at three stage elevations at the Mile 50L site in 1993 during (A) pre-dawn and (B) mid-day periods.

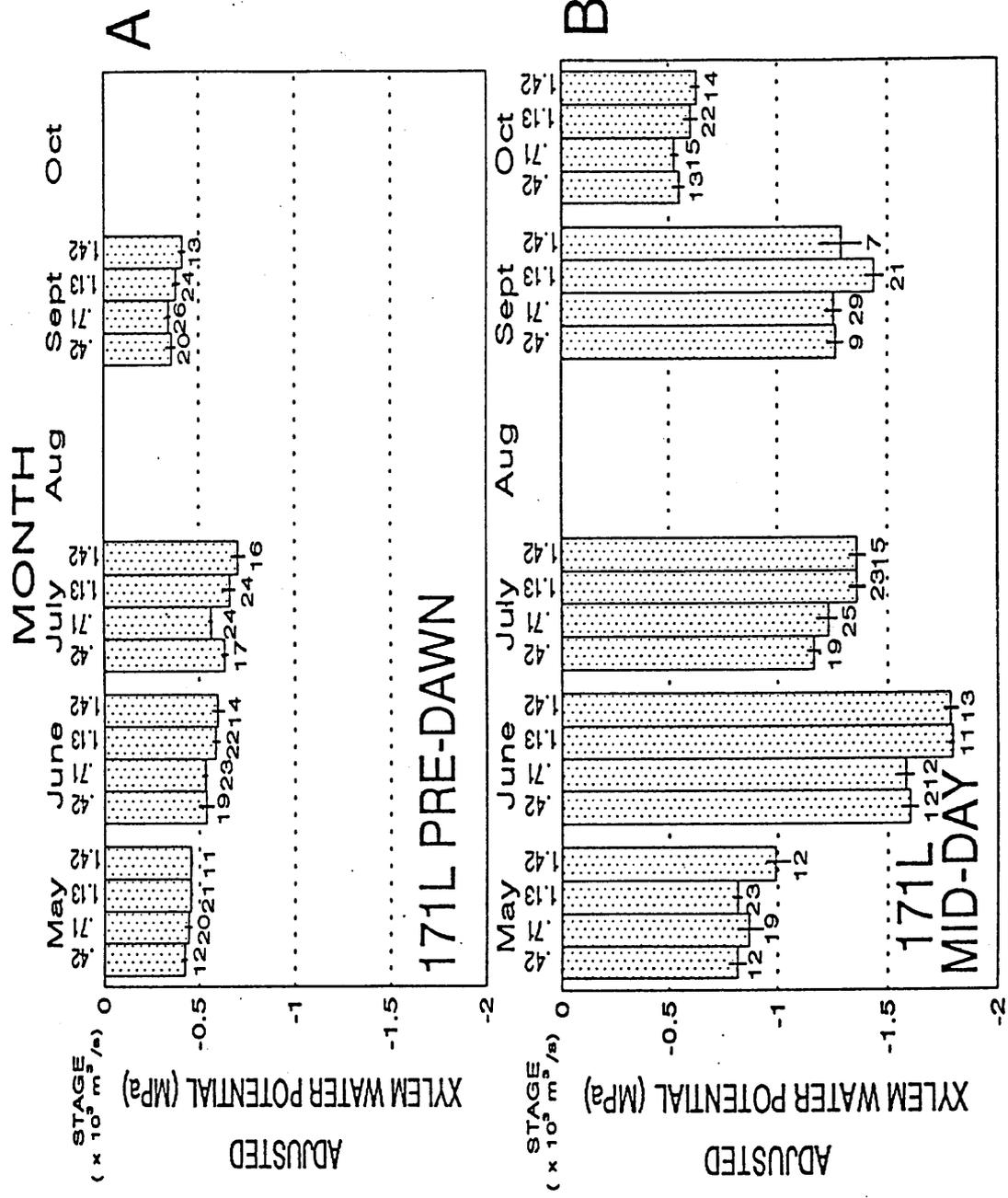


Figure 3.05: *Salix exigua* xylem water potential at four stage elevations at the Mile 171L site in 1993 during (A) pre-dawn and (B) mid-day periods.

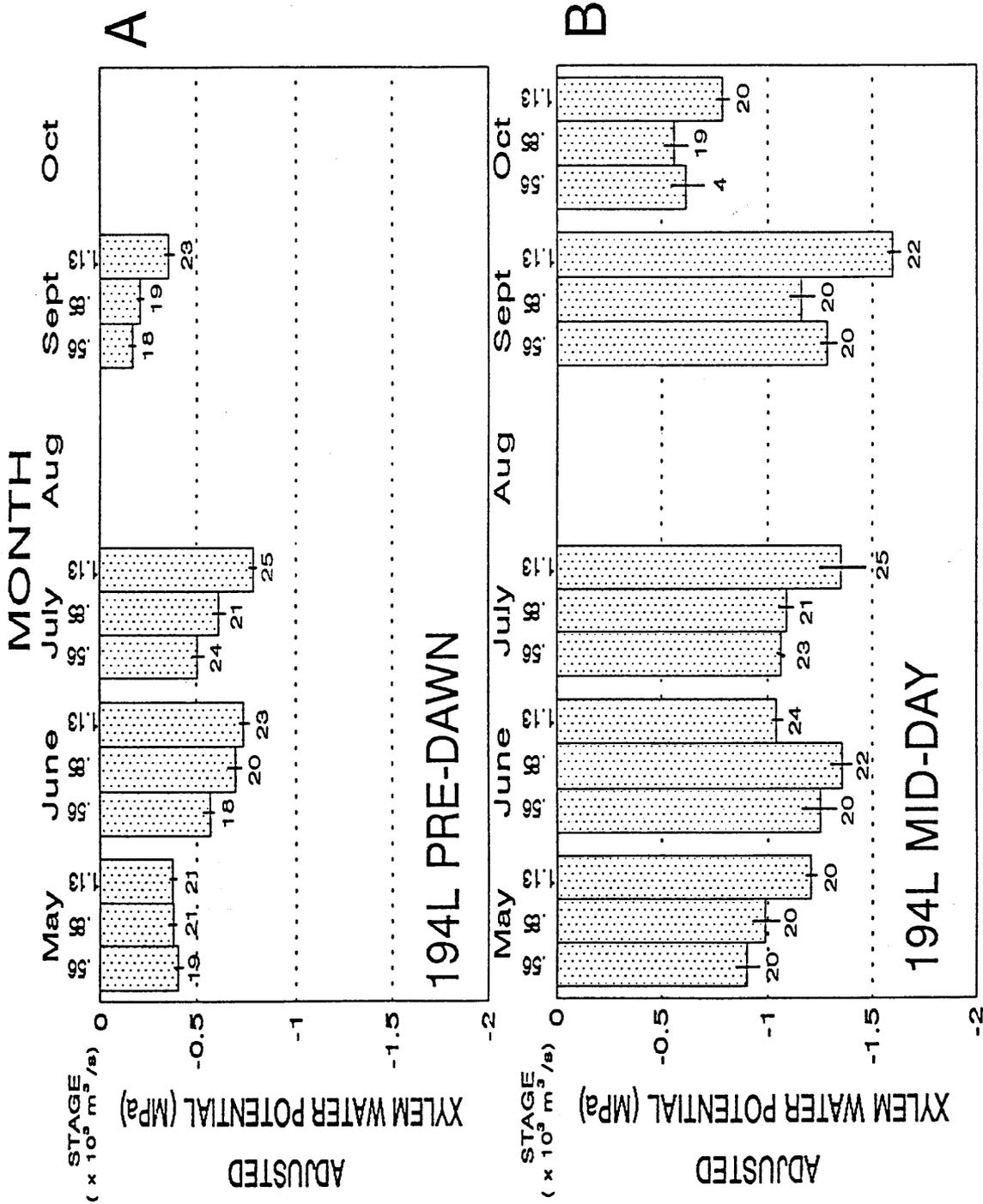


Figure 3.06: *Salix exigua* xylem water potential at three stage elevations at the Mile 194L site in 1993 during (A) pre-dawn and (B) mid-day periods.

$$\log_n(G_{1993}) = 4.432 + [0.949*\log_n(D)] - [0.794*\log(A)] + [1.810*P_{am}] + 1.282*P_{pm}$$

(adjusted $r^2 = 0.540$, $F_{4,254} = 76.747$, $p < 0.0001$)

S. exigua growth was positively correlated with distance downstream ($p < 0.001$) as an artifact of beaver pruning activity at the lowermost site. First year stems are the most rapidly growing, and both the middle and high zone willow stands at Mile 194 marsh were attacked by beaver in 1991 or 1992. This is evidenced by the comparatively young ages of willow ramets in those stands (Table 3.03). Distance-related differences in ramet growth were not apparent between the other stands.

As expected, *S. exigua* growth was negatively correlated with ramet age ($p < 0.001$). This effect is commonly observed in all dendrochronological studies, where annular ring width typically decreases precipitously during the first phases of growth, and annual nodal growth decreases proportionately during maturation of the ramet in *S. exigua* and in other willows (Price 1989).

S. exigua growth was positively correlated with mean monthly pre-dawn and mid-day XWP values ($p = 0.009$ and 0.001 , respectively). Because both measures were strongly correlated with annual stem growth, the mid-day XWP values are easier to obtain and demonstrated a stronger correlation with nodal growth. For this reason we suggest that if XWP analysis is continued to be used as a monitoring technique for vegetation in this system, only mid-day values are needed.

The non-significance of stage elevation effects in this model was attributable to adjustment of XWP values for thermal and relative humidity effects.

CONCLUSIONS

Overall the relationship between chronic XWP patterns and willow growth indicates that measurement of XWP may serve as a useful, although labor-intensive, monitoring technique in this riparian system. The operating range of XWP for *S. exigua* range between -0.1 and -2.1 MPa, with the latter value near the wilting point for this species. *S. exigua* pre-dawn and mid-day XWP values obtained in 1991 during the final "normal operations" flows in the Mile 43 return current channel marsh were approximately half those of the values reported during this study (Stevens and Ayers 1993). These data support the contention that several features of interim flows (e.g. reduced flow magnitude and reduced daily inundation frequency) are increasing moisture stress in previously established Colorado River marshes.

While *S. exigua* can tolerate prolonged chronic moisture stress through architectural modification (e.g. extending running or tap roots to lower stage elevations) under interim flows, other marsh species may not be able to do so (Stevens et al., 1995). *Typha* spp., which are capable of withstanding relatively long (ca. 3-5 yr) periods of low flows in this system, is not capable of altering its architecture sufficiently to cope with long-term desiccation of RCC marshes. The longer-term (> 3 yr) shift to an interim flows scenario in this system will therefore result in loss of characteristic marsh vegetation in the RCC marshes where they dominated prior to 1991. We have documented increased marsh development in RCC mouths and in channel margin environments at many sites; however, the new marsh patches will be extremely susceptible to scour during planned flood flows and should probably be considered

as ephemeral. This conclusion is supported by the loss of herbaceous cover in the "New Dry" zone following flooding from the Little Colorado River in January and February, 1993.

From this analysis of S. exigua we conclude that the distinctive patterns of XWP in S. exigua document a change in water availability that supports compositional and structural shifts of previously established fluvial marsh assemblages documented in Chapter 2 (this report). Changes in environmental conditions are likely to gradually foster increased dominance by woody species and a concomitant reduction of cover by fluvial marsh assemblages.

CHAPTER IV

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INTRODUCTION

Non-marsh vegetation in the Colorado River corridor has also dramatically increased during post-dam time (Carothers et al., 1979; Turner and Karpiscak 1980; Johnson 1991), and recent studies in this system have begun to document the role of geomorphology on variation in regulated river riparian vegetation composition and distribution (Stevens and Ayers 1993). In this component of the riparian vegetation monitoring project we used remote and ground-based techniques to monitor the changes in riparian vegetation cover across local, reach-based and system-wide spatial scales. We continued to compile information on the distribution of native and non-native plant species throughout the river corridor (e.g., Ayers et al. 1994). We conducted an analysis of paired, low-level aerial photographs of the vegetation cover on six large reattachment bars taken in July, 1991 and June, 1994. We censused established long-term 5m x 10m study quadrats located throughout the river corridor. These quadrats were situated in the characteristic geomorphic settings (channel margin, bar platform and debris fan) associated with each of 20 large tributary confluences (Fig. 1.03), and study areas were distributed in relation to the geomorphic reaches of the river (Schmidt and Graf 1990). We also assessed the distribution of riparian vegetation in the newly protected "new dry" zone lying between the 566 and 900 m³/s stages by making stops at predetermined, random locations throughout the river corridor in 1992 and 1993.

METHODS

Plant Species Inventory

In our continuing efforts to refine the plant species inventory of the Colorado River corridor in the Grand Canyon, we collected and identified novel plant species as they were encountered. Specimens are presently housed in the Deaver Herbarium at Northern Arizona University and vouchers will be delivered to the NPS. In addition to inventory collecting, we have continued to search for listed or candidate plant species in the riparian corridor. We have also documented changing distributions of several critical native species (e.g. Salix gooddingii and Populus fremontii) and non-native species (e.g., Erianthus ravennae, Eragrostis curvula and Lepidium latifolium), and examined Tamarix ramosissima (= T. pentandra) recruitment.

Photogrammetric Analysis of Selected Study Sites

Low-level aerial photography of selected sandbars, including six of our study areas, was conducted on a biweekly basis during the GCES Phase II test flows period. The final aerial photogrammetry flight was conducted in late July, 1991 at a discharge of 142 m³/s, immediately

prior to the implementation of the first phase of interim flows. We used these 1:2,000 July 30-31, 1991 (Bureau of Reclamation black and white) aerial photographs of six vegetation study areas as the starting condition for sand bar vegetation under interim flows, and compared vegetation cover on them with that on Bureau of Reclamation aerial photographs (1:4800 true color) images taken in early June, 1994 during a constant discharge of 226 m³/s. The six study areas are: 43.1L, 51.2L, 55.6R, 122.7L, 172.1L and 194.1L (Fig. 2.01). All sites included large, vegetated reattachment bars and initially supported developing return current channel marshes. The first three sites were upstream from the Little Colorado River (LCR) confluence and the latter three sites were downstream, allowing us to evaluate the influences of the LCR floods in January-February, 1993.

The 1991 photographs typically consisted of several images of each study site. Each image was scanned into a Tagged Image File Format (TIFF). TIFF files were imported into ERDAS and rectified using 10-15 named ground control points (GCP) on each image. GCPs were surveyed in the field according to GCES survey protocol. The rectified photo images were then "stitched" together to form a single composite image of each site. These images were exported into Map Image Processing System (MIPS) and the cover of channel margin, sand bar and marsh vegetation were digitized, using the scale established from the surveyed GCPs. The 1994 aerial photographs (one per study area) were scanned into MIPS and ground-truthed distances between ground control points were used to calibrate vegetation cover measurements.

We then compared changes in the cover of four vegetation types between 1991 and 1994 using MIPS: 1) return current channel marsh vegetation, 2) newly established low-stage marshes, 3) bar platform vegetation (predominantly *Salix exigua* and *Tamarix ramosissima*), and 4) peripheral channel margin vegetation (predominantly *T. ramosissima*). Stage-to-discharge relationships have been established at these six sites (Stevens et al., 1995), and were used to quantify elevational distribution of digitized vegetation patches. Vegetation composition is well known on all study areas because all are used for marsh and long-term quadrat studies. The vegetation of all six study areas was examined on the ground between April and June, 1994, and vegetation composition was mapped in detail at the Miles 43.1L, 55.5R and 122.7L study sites in early summer, 1994 (Chapter 5. this report).

Long-term Quadrats

Long-term study quadrats were established during GCES-II. Twenty mainstream study areas and 24 tributary control sites established in Grand Canyon during the Glen Canyon Environmental Studies Program Phase II (Stevens and Ayers 1993) were monitored in 1992 and 1993 (Tables 1.01, 1.02). Each study area contains a 5m x 10m permanent quadrat in each of the following geomorphic environments: bar platform, channel margin and debris fan habitats (Fig. 1.03). These quadrats in the mainstream lower riparian zone provide a consistent database for monitoring dam discharge impacts on riparian vegetation development in this system.

All annual and perennial plant species were identified in each quadrat. Basal area of all species were measured or, in the case of extremely high stem density, estimated. Substratum texture was recorded using relative grain size classes, and location (by convention as distance downstream from Lees Ferry, with named locations designated by river mile), azimuth, dip angle and percent ground and shrub cover were measured. Data were analyzed with SYSTAT (Wilkinson 1990), with subsequent analysis through DECORANA (Hill 1979).

To provide a conservative assessment of compositional change, we relativized species factor loading scores in samples space for seven groups of wetland/riparian plant species. These groups included the four marsh assemblages described in Chapter 2 (this report): 1) clonal wet marsh; 2) herbaceous non-clonal wet marsh; 3) bar platform; 4) dry marsh; as well as 5) upper alluvial terrace; 6) rocky channel margin; and 7) xeric (desert) species. Plant species identifying numbers and group designations are included in Appendices A and B. We used nonparametric Mann-Whitney tests, coupled with serial-Bonferroni tests (Rice 1989), to evaluate changes in relative factor loading scores for the first three DCA axes from 1992 to 1993.

Colonization of Newly Exposed Habitats

To gain insight into diversity and stem density patterns in the "new dry" (ND) and "new high water" (NHW) zones in coarse versus fine sediments, we conducted reach-based random stops throughout the river corridor in 1992 and 1993. Randomly selected 5m x 10 m quadrats were situated along the river corridor in the lower riparian zone in these two zones in coarse (cobble or breccia) or fine (silt-sand) substrata. Eight quadrats chosen in each of 9 geomorphic reaches. We merged Schmidt and Graf's (1990) Supai and Redwall reaches, and the Aisles and Middle Granite Gorge reaches because they were paired, adjacent short, narrow reaches. Because data from the ND and bar platform long-term quadrats had been collected in the same manner and were not significantly different from the random stops data (univariate $F_{2,98} = 1.538$), we combined the two data sets. To reduce the number of response variables, we categorized plant basal area data by architectural growth forms (herbaceous, woody clonal phreatophytes, woody non-clonal phreatophytes, perennial grasses and annual species).

Densities of individual perennial plants were counted in three life stages: seedling, sapling and mature plants. For clonal phreatophytes, such as *S. exigua* and *Tessaria sericea*, separate stems were counted as individual plants because ramets can exist independently of the genet root mass. Substratum texture was recorded using relative grain size classes (Stevens and Ayers 1993), and river location, azimuth, dip angle and percent ground and shrub cover were measured. These random stops provided a measure of the representativeness of the quadrats database, as well as a larger data set with regard to non-native species distribution and from which to evaluate reach-based vegetation patterns.

We also established, surveyed and censused a 5 m x 10 m "new dry" quadrat at each study area where interim flows protected a relative flat portion of the bar platform from inundation (Fig. 1.02). These "new dry" quadrats lie between the 566 m³/s and 890 m³/s stages. The new dry zone quadrats established in our study areas were devoid of vegetation at the inception of interim flows, as determined from direct observation and close-level aerial photographs taken in July, 1991.

We pooled random stops data with the long-term quadrats data from these zones into one data set. Statistical analyses were performed using MANCOVA and Pearson correlation analyses (SYSTAT, Wilkinson 1991).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

Species Diversity

We include a list of all plant species collected and localities in the river corridor (Appendix A). This list and associated collections add 37 new species records for Grand Canyon National Park in 13 families and 32 genera (Ayers et al. 1994). Of these, 27 are native, while 10 are non-native. The new reports include nine grasses, two rushes, one shrub and 25 herbaceous dicots. Six of the herbaceous dicots and four grasses are non-native. Eight records are new to the Phillips et al. (1987) checklist of Grand Canyon plants.

Non-native Plant Species

Studies of colonization (below) suggest that the highly disturbed river channel margin serves as an avenue for invasion of non-native taxa. A total of 120 plant species were identified in the set of 60 quadrats censused in 1993 (below). Fifteen (12.5 percent) of these species were non-native. The proportion of all non-native species in the lower riparian zone is 1.7-fold higher than that of the long-term quadrats as a whole (Stevens and Ayers 1993). Stevens and Ayers (1993) documented the presence of several new and potentially invasive non-native plant species in this river ecosystem, including Erianthus ravennae and Lepidium latifolium, and Eragrostis curvula was found in 1993. These species are highly invasive and pose a threat to the integrity of the developing native riparian vegetation. Some of these non-native species are relatively easily controlled, whereas other species are not.

Erianthus ravennae (Ravenna grass): Following completion of GCES II research, we assisted the NPS develop and implement a control program of the large (2-3 m tall), highly invasive European bunchgrass, Erianthus ravennae, in the river corridor. This mechanical control program was conducted with 6 student volunteers from Prescott College (Prescott, Arizona) in March, 1993 and April, 1994 who helped remove approximately 2,500 plants. River equipment was donated by commercial outfitters, especially Canyon R.E.O. of Flagstaff, AZ. Numerous E. ravennae plants were removed from the upper Grand Canyon, and all mature E. ravennae plants were removed from the lower Grand Canyon upstream from Diamond Creek. Plant root masses were excavated, the grass bunches removed and killed by desiccation. Subsequent visits over the past year to sites at which control efforts were undertaken revealed that mechanical control was highly effective, with recruitment or regrowth at less than 3 percent of the sites. Nearly all inflorescences on remaining plants were removed in autumn, 1994, thereby limiting seed dispersal during the present winter.

E. ravennae is presently restricted to a single large population at Lees Ferry, a few scattered individuals in the Permian and Marble Canyon reaches, a small population at Tanner Rapid (Mile 68), and approximately 65 plants at Cardenas Creek (Mile 71L). We recommend that the NPS complete removal of this species, continue to monitor the system for further establishment, and continue to interact with Glen Canyon National Recreation Area to eliminate the source population of this potentially dominant non-native grass. Such a program can easily be accomplished with volunteer labor, and therefore conducted at very low cost. Although not part

of our contract, we gladly contributed to this effort because it demonstrates that at least some non-native plant invasions can be controlled in Grand Canyon in a low-cost fashion.

Other Non-native Grass and Herb Species: Other non-native species are not as easily controlled as E. ravennae, and the prospects for control are limited. Lepidium latifolium is a clonal herbaceous weed that blooms in spring and fall, produces abundant seed and occupies a wide range of shoreline habitats. This species has expanded its range through the entire river corridor during the period of our analyses (1990 to the present). We recommend that the NPS examine the life history and synecology of this species in an effort to understand its potential long-term effects on this ecosystem. Similarly, Eragrostis curvula is quickly becoming established throughout the river corridor and may not be readily controlled.

Tamarix ramosissima (Tamarisk) Recruitment: T. ramosissima seedling establishment is intimately related to flooding in the Colorado River corridor (Stevens 1989); however, little T. ramosissima recruitment occurred following the January/February, 1993 LCR floods. Numerous new, flood-laid, fine alluvial bars were deposited downstream from the LCR after these floods. The new sediment deposits underwent 2.5 months of desiccation before the peak release of Tamarix ramosissima seeds (late April through June). As a result of this desiccation, few dense Tamarix seedling beds became established along the river. Tamarix seedling beds ("lawns") were noted at 122.1R, 194.2L, and in a few other locations, but overall Tamarix germination was not appreciably higher than in other years, as demonstrated by the random stops data (below). However, it is not presently known how rapidly sandbar surfaces desiccate following flooding. Such information would increase management flexibility in planning high release events.

Endemic and Listed Species

We located two small populations of Flaveria mcdougalli (McDougall's flaveria, a Grand Canyon endemic and candidate threatened Asteraceae species) that occur below the 3000 m³/s flow stage (the pre-dam 10-yr flood stage) along the Colorado River. These two populations occur in south-facing seeps at Miles 148R and 166.5R. In both instances, the Flaveria populations have colonized from higher elevations down into the riverside spring environments. In both cases, the Flaveria populations are well established in the higher elevations of the springs. Although several Flaveria would be inundated during flows in excess of approximately 1,400 m³/s, the overall populations at these sites would not be threatened by releases of less than 3000 m³/s.

Indicator Species

We observed increased establishment and survival of Populus fremontii in the lower riparian zone throughout the Colorado River corridor in the Grand Canyon. More than 100 P. fremontii presently exist in the narrow reaches, particularly downstream from Phantom Ranch. Increased P. fremontii recruitment has occurred during interim flows, and although occasional ecesis was observed prior to interim flows, widespread recruitment was not observed during our

observation of this system (1974 to the present). The increased establishment of *P. fremontii* in narrow reaches is probably a reflection of reduced beaver herbivory in these swift, rocky reaches. If the *P. fremontii* recruits survive to reproductive age in these reaches, we foresee potentially large changes in the riparian plant assemblage in this system. Increased *P. fremontii* cover would greatly increase potential wildlife habitat.

Gooddings willow (*Salix gooddingii*) was the most common native pre-dam tree species in the pre-dam river corridor. This species is highly susceptible to beaver predation and requires flood-deposited, silt-rich alluvial soils for ecesis. The intensity of beaver depredation and lack of recruitment have resulted in a general decline in the *S. gooddingii* population in Grand Canyon. Although this species is abundant on newly exposed silt deposits in upper Lake Mead, most of that population will perish when Lake Mead reaches full pool. Consequently, the persistence of this tree willow is uncertain along the Colorado River. The declining status of this species in the mainstream corridor suggests the need for additional study.

Aerial Photograph Analyses

Remote sensing/aerial photogrammetry allowed us to document changes in the extent of riparian and wetland vegetation cover since the inception of interim flows in selected study areas. Analyses of the low-level 1991 and 1994 aerial photographs of 6 study sites (Figs. 4.01 to 4.06) reveals that total sand bar vegetation cover is changing slightly under interim flows, but substantial changes are occurring between the four geomorphic environments examined, and above and below the LCR (Table 4.01).

1) At present, sandbar vegetation has colonized down to the ca. 425 m³/s stage at all sites. Vegetation cover at sites above the LCR increased on low-lying portions of sand bars (Table 4.01). All study sites examined revealed expansion of herbaceous vegetation into lower stage elevations. Expansion of low-lying bar platform vegetation (predominantly dry marsh grasses and wet marsh herbs) was dramatic at 55.5R, increasing from 0.64 ha to 0.93 ha between 1991 and 1994 below the 900 m³/s stage (Fig. 4.03A and B). Analogous large increases in low-lying vegetation cover occurred at Mile 51.5L (Fig. 4.02A and B). Increases in cover at low stages were less dramatic at Miles 43.1L because of the generally steep bar faces (Fig. 4.01A and B).

Low-lying vegetation cover at sites downstream from the LCR was less than that at upstream sites, largely because of scouring during January-February, 1993 (Table 4.01; Chapter II, this report); however, marsh vegetation at the mouths of the Mile 194.1L return current channel (RCC) increased dramatically, despite the short-duration scouring flows (Fig. 4.06 A and B). We attribute this rapid increase in cover at this site to survival of clonal *Typha* spp. and *Scirpus* spp. during aggradation in the RCC, and subsequent rapid clonal expansion.

2) Vegetation cover has decreased slightly in previously established return current channel (RCC) marshes. In 1991 the Mile 43L site (Fig. 4.01A) supported a developing RCC marsh that has largely been dewatered by interim flows. Marsh composition in the upper portions of this RCC shifting to dominance by *Salix exigua* (Chapter 2, this report), and *Typha* and other clonal marsh species are declining in cover. Similar changes were noted at the other sites except Mile 51.2L and 55.5R (Figs. 4.03A and B; Table 4.01), which have RCCs that have remained open and large under interim flows.

43.1 Mile, 1991

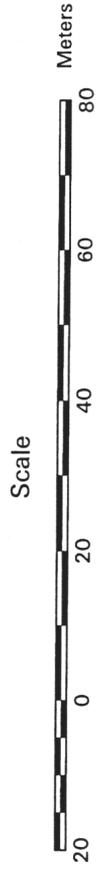


Figure 4.01A: Rectified low-level aerial photogrammetric image of the 43.1L study area in late July, 1991.

43.1 Mile, 1994

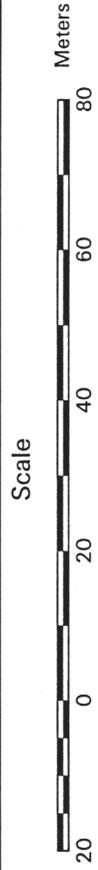
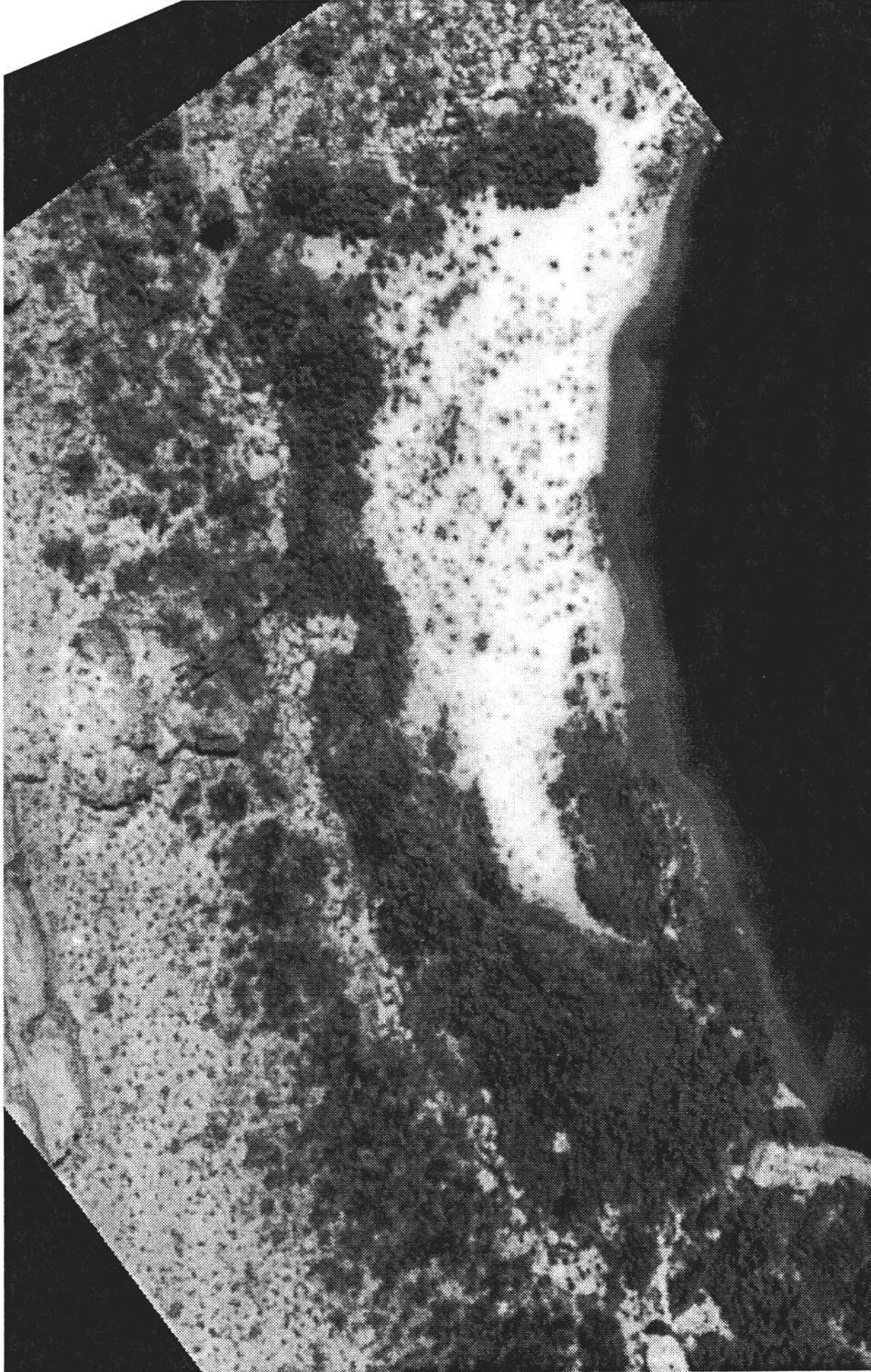


Figure 4.01B: Low-level aerial photograph of the 43.1L study area in early June, 1994.

51.2 Mile, 1991



Figure 4.02A: Rectified low-level aerial photogrammetric image of the 51.2L study area in late July, 1991.

51.2 Mile, 1994



Figure 4.02B: Low-level aerial photograph of the 51.2L study area in early June, 1994.

55.5 Mile, 1991



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Meters

Figure 4.03A: Rectified low-level aerial photogrammetric image of the 55.5R study area in late July, 1991.

55.5 Mile, 1994

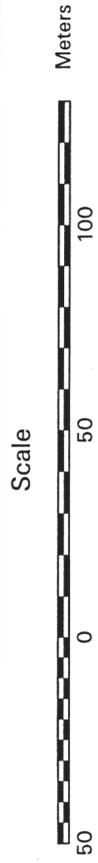
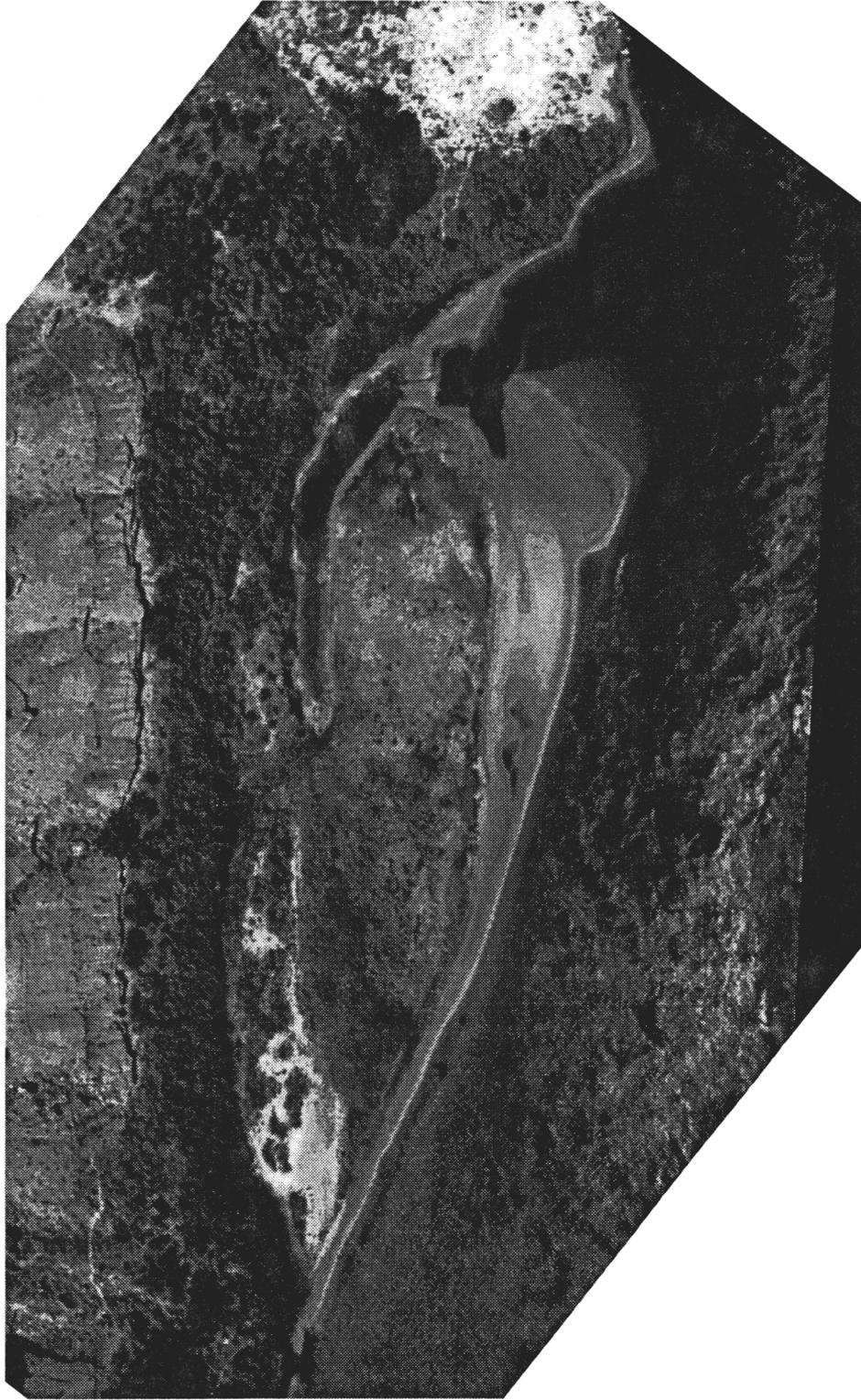


Figure 4.03B: Low-level aerial photograph of the 55.5R study area in early June, 1994.

122.7 Mile, 1991

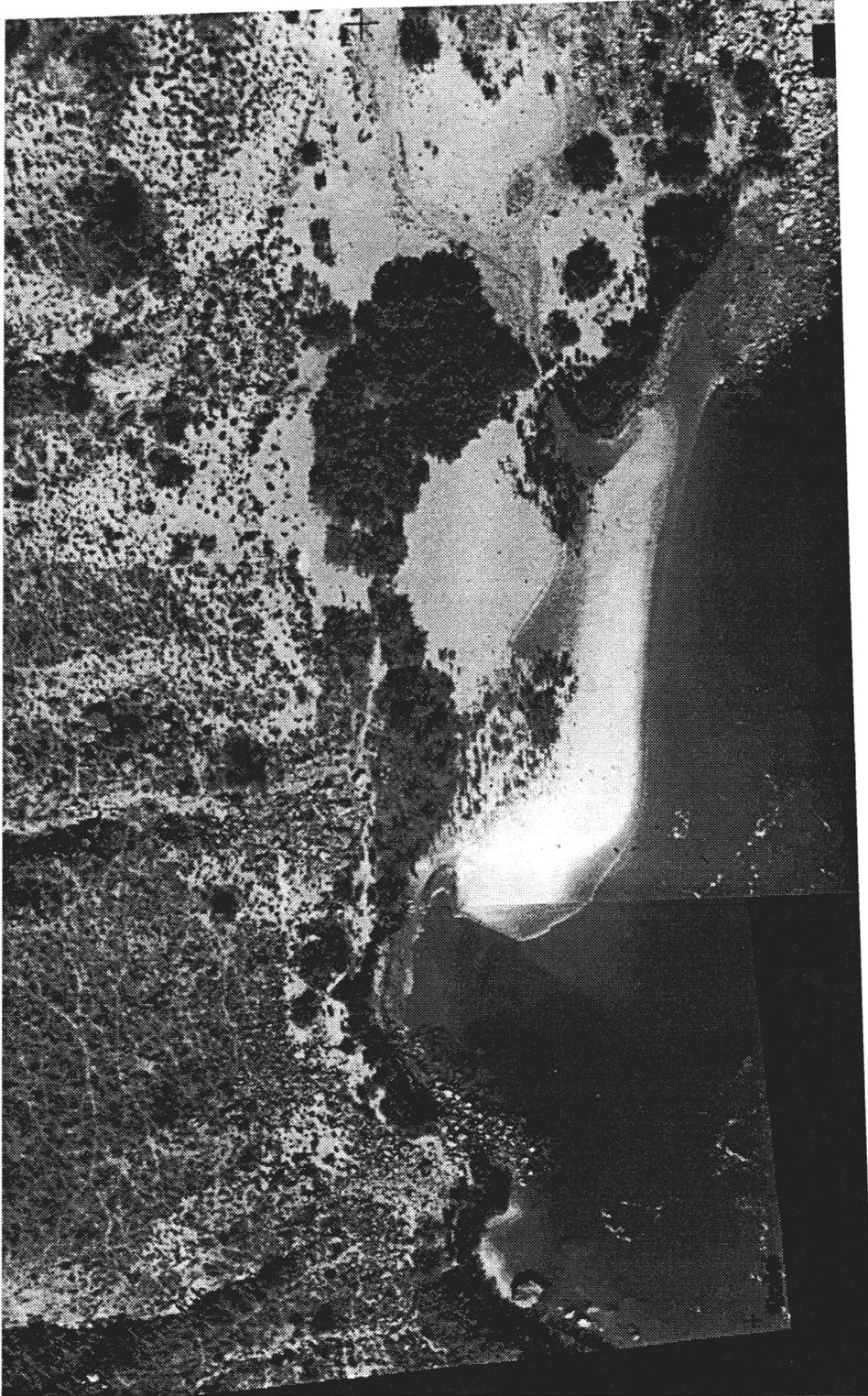


Figure 4.04A: Rectified low-level aerial photogrammetric image of the 122.7L study area in late July, 1991.



122.7 Mile, 1994



Figure 4.04B: Low-level aerial photograph of the 122.7L study area in early June, 1994.

172.3 Mile, 1991

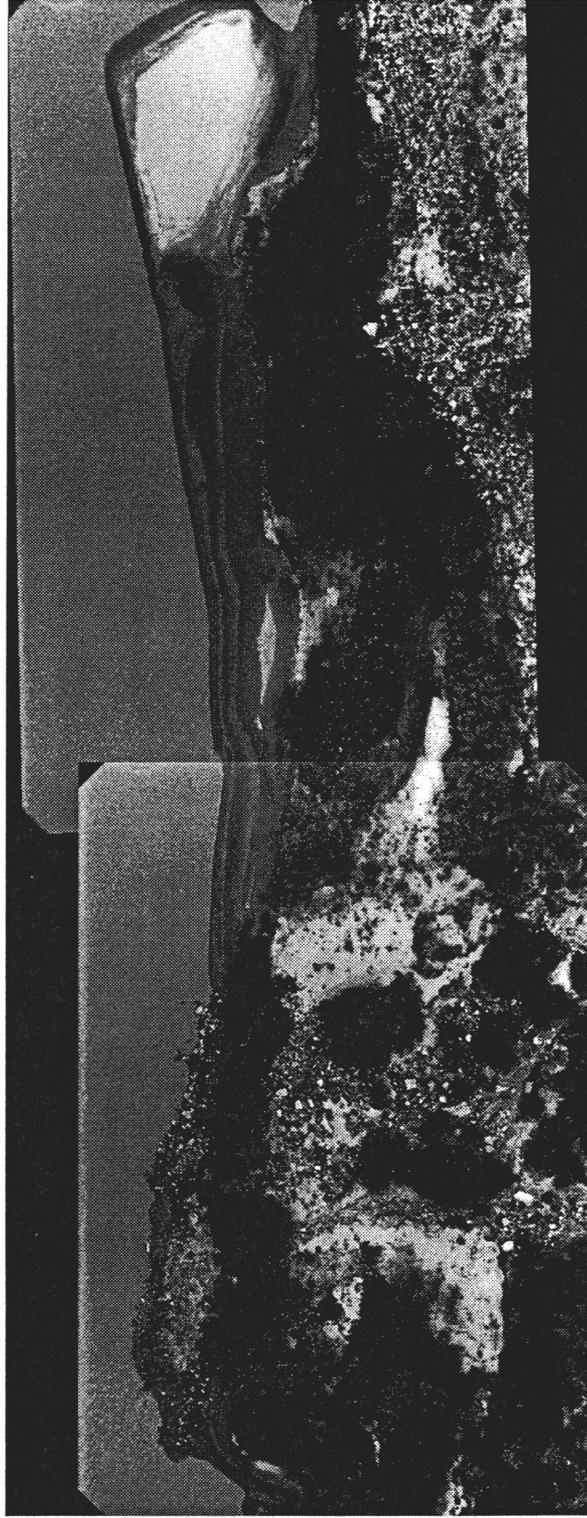


Figure 4.05A: Rectified low-level aerial photogrammetric image of the 172.1L study area in late July, 1991.



172.3 Mile, 1994

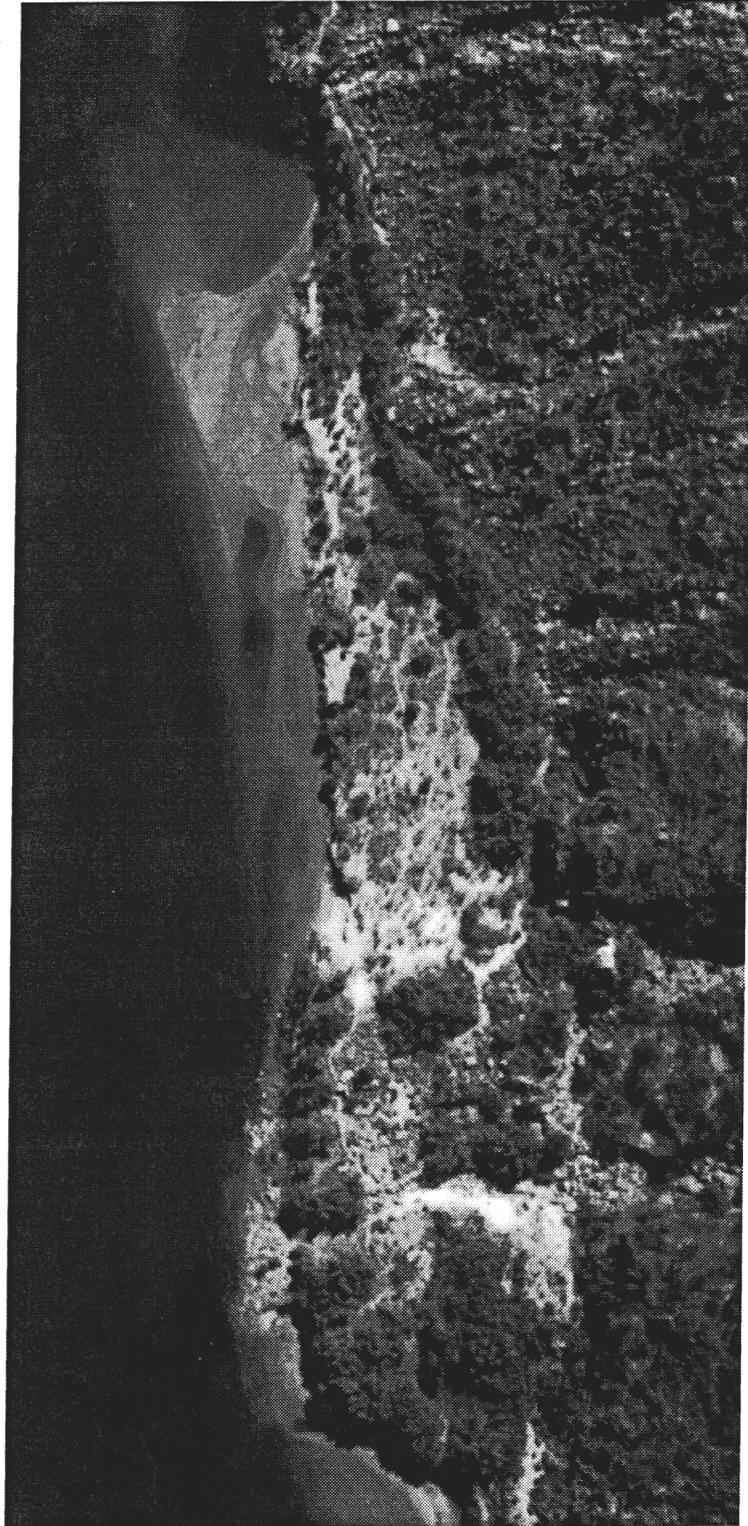


Figure 4.05B: Low-level aerial photograph of the 172.1L study area in early June, 1994.

194 Mile, 1991

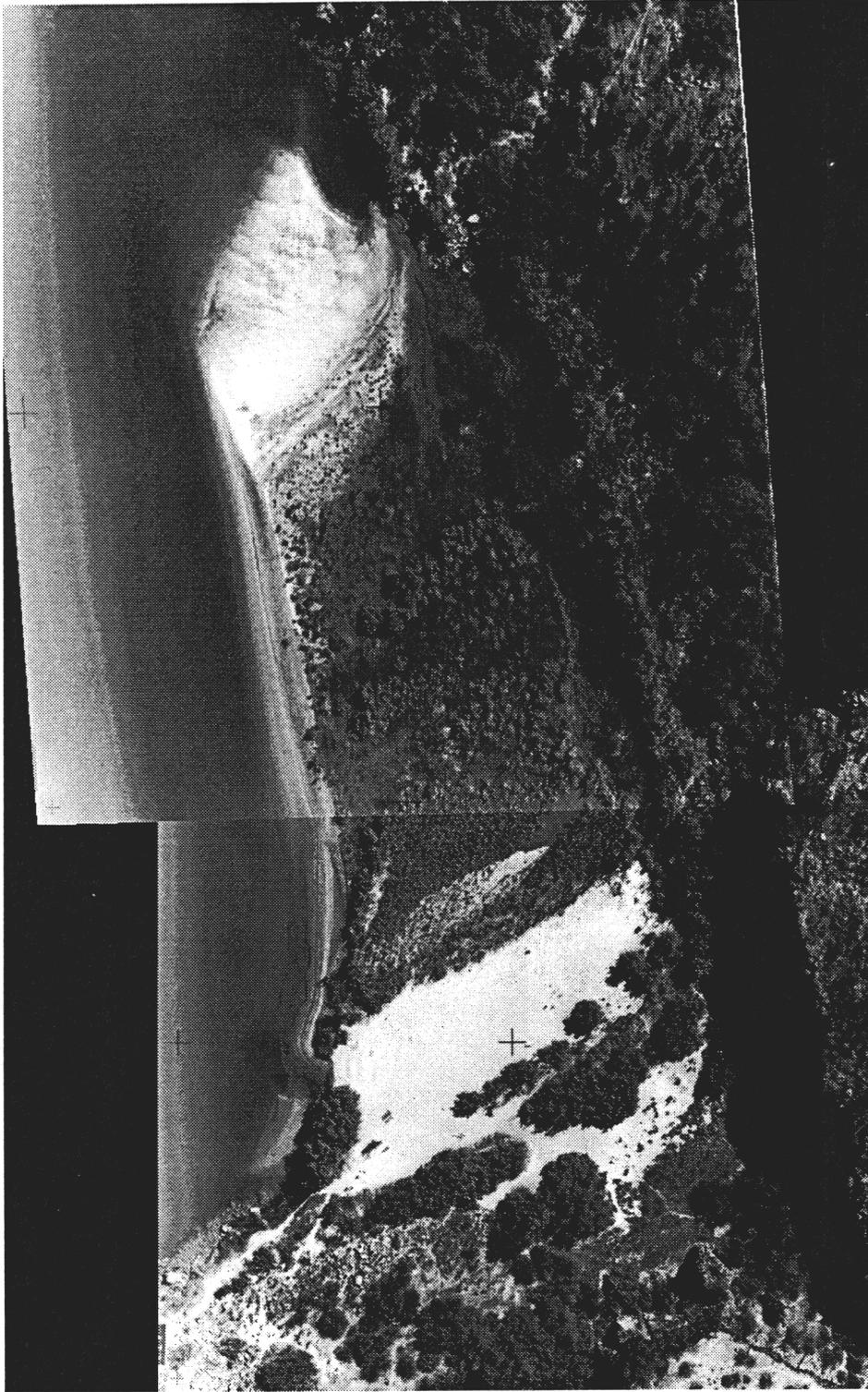


Figure 4.06A: Rectified low-level aerial photogrammetric image of the 194.1L study area in late July, 1991.



194 Mile, 1994

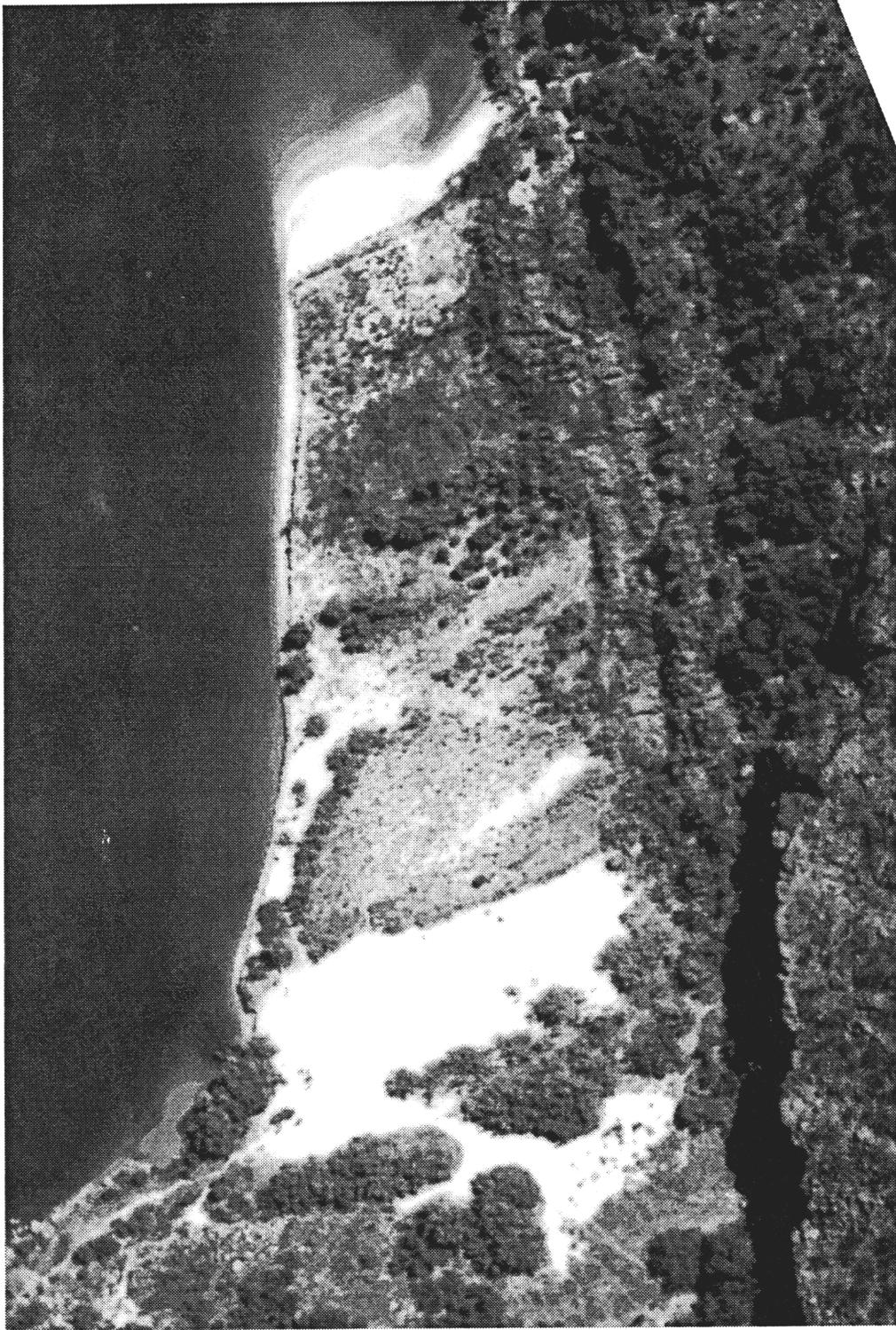


Figure 4.06B: Low-level aerial photograph of the 194.1L study area in early June, 1994.

Table 4.01: Summary of vegetation cover in 1991 and 1994 in four geomorphic settings at six study sites through the Colorado River corridor in the Grand Canyon, Arizona. Habitats include: BP - bar platform, CM - channel margin, ND - "new dry" (566 - 900 m³/s stage) marsh, and RCC - return current channel (previously associated marshes). BP and ND cover was combined at the 172.1L study site because the two habitats could not be reliably separated on the 1991 photographs. Where shadows on photographs prevented differentiation between geomorphic settings, vegetation cover types were combined (e.g., BP + ND at 55.5R).

MILE/ SIDE	HABITAT	1991 AREA (m ²)	1994 AREA (m ²)
43.1L	RCC	296	205
	CM	3095	3913
	BP	1637	712
	ND	0	277
	TOTAL	5028	5107
51.2L	RCC	636	993
	CM	7464	7948
	BP	2316	5399
	ND	253	2273
	TOTAL	10669	16613
55.5R	RCC	78	487
	CM	6543	4912
	BP+ND	6372	9315
	TOTAL	12993	14714
122.7L	RCC	64	22
	CM	1347	1438
	BP	807	901
	ND	0	57
	TOTAL	2218	2418
172.1L	CMBP	1234	1099
	BP	1028	983
	ND	0	40
	TOTAL	2262	2122
194.1L	RCC	1483	1186
	CM	1827	1768
	BP	6157	6037
	ND	0	197
	TOTAL	9467	9188

Vegetation cover in previously established RCC marshes among study areas downstream from the LCR has decreased extensively, in comparison with upstream study areas (Table 4.01). Little herbaceous clonal marsh vegetation remains in the RCCs at the 122.7L (Fig. 4.04 A and B) and 172.1L (Fig. 4.05 A and B) study areas, and some decrease in cover occurred in the Mile 194L RCC marsh (Table 4.01; Figs. 4.06 A and B). We attribute these changes to reduction in inundation frequency in these RCCs, and to aggradation of new sediment during the 1993 LCR floods (Chapter 2, this report).

3) Upper elevation sandbar platform Salix exigua cover has decreased at some sites, while Tamarix ramosissima cover at higher stage elevations has not changed appreciably. S. exigua cover dominates the upper bar platform at Mile 43L, and has decreased from 0.16 ha to 0.07 ha from 1991 to 1994 (Table 4.01; Figs. 4.01A and B). Willow dieback has been observed at Miles 43.1L, 51.2L and 194.1L during this study (see Chapter 3, this report). These changes are likely related to increased desiccation stress resulting from lowered sandbar water tables under interim flows.

Relatively little scour of established, woody vegetation took place on the study sites downstream from the LCR, as reflected in the limited change of bar platform or channel margin vegetation at those sites (Table 4.01). Previously established T. ramosissima cover on upper bar platforms appears to be approximately equivalent at most sites. Stevens and Ayers (1993) demonstrated that T. ramosissima operates under significantly lower plant water potential range than does S. exigua. These observations and data suggest that interim flows permits T. ramosissima maintain dominance on upper bar surfaces, while S. exigua gradually shifts in position, with clonal expansion at lower stage elevations and die back at upper bar platform locations.

4) Channel margin vegetation, which is strongly dominated by T. ramosissima, also displayed slight increases in cover during interim flows (Table 4.01). We have not been able to distinguish S. exigua from T. ramosissima on 1991 aerial photographs, preventing detection of compositional changes there, and long-term quadrat data (below) do not demonstrate strong compositional changes. Using aerial photographs, we cannot detect vegetation changes on the near-vertical portions of channel margin habitats lying between the 566 and 900 m³/s stages. Random stops (below) and observations demonstrate that this zone has been colonized by annual and clonal herbs; however, these habitats are not being regularly monitored.

Long-term Quadrat Analyses

The long-term study quadrats, which are dominated by woody phreatophytes, reveal gradual changes during interim flows. We compiled mean basal area/m² for each species on each site in 1992 and 1993 to illustrate the present status of riparian vegetation (Appendices B, D1, D2). Channel margin, bar platform and debris fan long-term quadrats exhibited high variance but little substantive differences in mean basal area of established dominants. Increases in mean basal cover of clonal phreatophytic Tessaria sericea (e.g. on debris fan plots) and some perennial grasses (e.g. Muhlenbergia asperifolia in debris fans) were noted, and these species share a common life history trait of being rather drought tolerant. In contrast, the basal cover of dominant phreatophytes, such as Salix exigua and Tamarix ramosissima changed little over

these two years (Appendices D1, D2). To further explore changes in species composition on lower riparian zone long-term quadrats, we divided species into life history groups (Appendix A), according to designations presented in Chapter II (this report) and life history information presented in Phillips et al. (1987) and Kearney and Peebles (1960).

We analyzed basal area changes between years using relative DECORANA factor loading scores for species in samples space from 60 quadrats surveyed in 1992 and 1993 (Table 4.02). Axis 1 eigenvalues were 0.868 and 0.559 for 1992 and 1993, respectively; axis 2 eigenvalues were 0.633 and 0.436 for 1992 and 1993, respectively; axis 3 eigenvalues were 0.575 and 0.343 for 1992 and 1993, respectively. Relative DECORANA axis 1 scores decreased significantly for most life history groups from 1992 to 1993 (Mann-Whitney $p < 0.05$ for 5 of 7 life history groups; Tables 4.03, 4.04). Previous studies have demonstrated that DECORANA axis 1 is strongly positively correlated with moisture availability in this system (Stevens and Ayers 1993, Stevens et al. 1995). Thus a decrease in relative axis 1 scores signifies a compositional shift towards plant species that are more drought tolerant. This was corroborated by the increase in Terraria sericea and perennial bunch grasses in lower riparian zone settings. In contrast, little compositional shift has occurred in different grain-sized environments, associated with DECORANA axis 2, as demonstrated by few shifts among life history groups (Table 4.04).

The vegetation change resulting from interim flows appears to be a desiccation of the previously established riparian vegetation, as was demonstrated in the marshes (Chapter II, this report). Additional changes are probably occurring, but these may require several more years of monitoring to be manifest. As discussed in our remote sensing studies (above), this shift will likely be related to gradual decreasing dominance of previously established clonal, woody Salix exigua, maintenance of drought resistant Tamarix ramosissima, and increased presence of xeric perennial grasses, particularly Sporobolus spp. on the high bar locations, and increases in dominance of willow closer to the water's edge. Although short-term influences of planned floods can be readily monitored, the long-term role of interim operations with rare, planned high flows on gradual dominance shifts will be difficult distinguish until numerous years of data have been compiled and analyzed.

"New Dry" Zone versus "New High Water" Zone Vegetation

1992: Analysis of 105 "new dry" zone (ND, 566 to 900 m³/s) and "new high water" (NHW, 900 to 1700 m³/s) zone bar platform quadrats through the Colorado River corridor in 1992 suggested that the ND zone had been quickly colonized by riparian vegetation. The ND zone quadrats established in our study areas were devoid of vegetation at the inception of interim flows, as determined from direct field observations and inspection of low-level aerial photographs taken in mid-summer, 1991. By fall, 1992 no significant differences existed in mean plant basal area or stem density on long-term quadrats in these two zones ($F_{1,21} = 2.979$, $p = 0.099$), and the ND zone exhibited comparable basal areas of all assemblages except woody non-clonal phreatophytes when compared to the bar platform zone in 1992.

Analysis of the randomly selected study quadrats and the ND and NHW long-term quadrats together revealed that ND zone quadrats supported equivalent species densities but somewhat higher stem densities in fine-grained substrata, as compared to NHW zone quadrats (Fig. 4.07 A and B). Fine-grained habitats supported lower species densities but higher stem densities than did coarse substrata (cobble/boulder habitats; Fig. 4.07A and B), a finding in

Table 4.02: Factor loading scores of plant species from long-term study quadrats for three DECORANA axes, 1992-1993. Data are based on log-transformed plant species basal cover/50 m² in quadrats space. Species identifying numbers and life history group designations are described in Appendix B, and basal area data are presented in Appendices D1 and D2.

SPP IDNO	GROUP	AX192	DECORANA AX292	AXIS VALUES, AX392	AND 1993 AX193	1993 AX293	AX393
201	4	4.0479	3.3296	-.7684	.1573	1.5474	.3549
1	7	3.9999	2.5791	4.0727	1.3522	3.5704	.2845
209	4	4.1384	1.3211	.8540	5.7093	-.8648	.9704
212	7	-.4350	2.5405	2.2734	.2547	2.5892	1.7544
3	3	3.7453	1.2128	3.1298	4.2230	4.1588	2.1104
222	3	4.1384	1.3211	.8540	1.7473	1.2273	-.9851
5	3	3.8402	5.6372	1.3912	2.6368	-.2856	1.8956
6	6	3.4742	1.9358	2.7586	2.6074	.6686	2.5645
227	7	3.9790	3.5462	4.8221	1.5296	2.6045	.6994
96	7	3.6841	2.7128	.9385	1.3278	-.0489	-1.4435
7	3	3.8336	2.5229	.3924	2.6965	2.5760	-.3205
237	3	3.9348	3.7850	.9844	2.6368	-.2856	1.8956
10	6	4.0520	2.2638	4.0119	2.8462	4.1440	1.1239
244	6	3.5320	5.3428	2.1280	.7130	3.1325	2.2757
11	3	3.7139	1.2163	2.4991	4.0624	1.4033	2.4625
248	6	3.8354	3.7082	-.1554	.3508	1.6986	.5241
252	7	3.7929	4.6016	2.3070	1.9564	2.2444	1.8534
256	6	2.6005	4.1883	1.8257	1.1705	1.6119	1.1581
259	3	3.9374	2.0202	4.4868	4.1206	3.1395	-.0328
12	3	3.5814	1.7196	2.4129	1.5535	3.1549	1.6006
14	2	4.0739	1.7918	2.3297	5.4621	-.7787	.9872
17	1	3.7524	1.2706	2.9811	3.8505	.1091	3.1380
601	5	3.8625	1.4224	.2768	.6024	.1649	2.2533
21	4	3.9849	1.9054	.9506	-1.4019	2.5573	2.2790
22	2	3.6571	1.7687	2.1430	3.6037	-.0470	.2706
602	7	3.5578	4.1242	.6924	1.3278	-.0489	-1.4435
603	7	3.9086	4.2185	2.6660	.4886	1.7842	.6535
23	2	3.8827	1.4633	3.7121	3.4341	4.2538	2.0237
287	6	3.3384	1.2856	2.0354	2.8201	.2841	3.3733
24	4	3.7603	3.8025	2.2005	1.2518	2.7552	3.6267
294	7	3.8364	5.6385	1.5409	.9540	3.0506	1.6166
291	6	3.2566	5.3765	2.8583	.2547	2.5892	1.7544
25	1	3.6481	4.5181	3.4784	1.5300	2.1556	.4763
298	7	3.4537	3.4296	2.9441	2.7613	2.8711	1.6369
301	7	3.8119	3.1941	.2378	2.0117	2.5288	3.7822
300	7	3.9086	4.2185	2.6660	1.7827	1.2431	2.8961
305	7	3.4732	5.0496	2.7788	.3458	1.6676	3.8427
29	4	3.6745	1.7556	1.7513	5.5816	5.1566	1.0969
604	7	3.9086	4.2185	2.6660	1.9564	2.2444	1.8534
31	3	-.4349	2.5480	2.2747	.2547	2.5892	1.7544
313	99	3.6562	4.8150	2.4656	1.5694	1.9201	3.6112
124	7	3.6395	1.5595	2.1051	5.3881	2.6706	3.7375
324	5	3.4542	2.8308	.9297	2.0304	.0036	-.8079
72	3	3.6350	2.6192	2.5591	1.1215	1.6210	1.6343
33	3	3.4953	4.5207	1.6542	.9535	.6488	3.5714
71	3	3.9418	4.4241	1.2958	1.8132	3.0251	2.3448
34	7	2.8773	4.5927	1.8089	.9707	2.5889	.7690
129	3	3.8593	2.9764	3.6840	2.1887	3.6997	2.4309
339	7	3.4537	3.4296	2.9441	2.7613	2.8711	1.6369
484	7	4.1198	2.3973	4.4403	1.1731	2.8070	1.9362
37	3	3.7524	1.2706	2.9811	4.7297	-.4020	1.9002

Table 4.02 (continued)

SPP IDNO	GROUP	DECORANA AXIS VALUES, 1992 AND 1993					
		AX192	AX292	AX392	AX193	AX293	AX393
39	4	3.7524	1.2706	2.9811	4.1206	3.1395	-.0328
40	1	3.6868	2.5455	.8236	4.1206	3.1395	-.0328
361	99	4.0563	2.0298	2.9067	1.4488	3.2086	1.6279
367	7	4.0190	3.7330	2.3241	2.7613	2.8711	1.6369
368	7	3.4537	3.4296	2.9441	.4979	2.6110	1.9307
44	2	3.5018	4.2839	1.1617	-.2040	1.6457	-1.8592
374	6	3.7469	1.6777	2.1677	2.7989	2.7408	.9090
45	4	4.0556	1.6729	2.0968	.3709	1.0348	-.0582
389	6	4.0479	3.3296	-.7684	1.0256	1.1780	3.5580
46	3	3.9086	4.2185	2.6660	-.8005	2.1231	4.1875
397	7	3.2566	5.3765	2.8583	2.7613	2.8711	1.6369
401	7	4.0485	1.4490	.2829	.3709	1.0348	-.0582
403	3	3.6639	4.2407	3.4639	4.1206	3.1395	-.0328
49	1	3.6483	.9021	1.9561	5.0454	-.6022	1.2046
51	4	4.1384	1.3211	.8540	1.8316	3.9118	.7964
417	6	4.0436	3.0301	4.6190	1.6108	1.3819	2.4339
53	4	3.8863	2.8108	-.0414	2.2016	1.5413	.3794
95	5	3.9553	4.0298	1.4100	2.6769	2.0271	1.8245
427	6	3.6093	3.5906	2.4712	4.2207	.0000	2.5163
54	4	3.7530	.5528	2.0723	.5992	2.3783	1.3299
99	6	3.8796	4.4091	3.0856	1.2391	.2808	1.8641
59	2	3.5593	2.4057	1.7799	2.6368	-.2856	1.8956
505	6	3.8047	2.5915	1.3604	.2547	2.5892	1.7544
389	4	3.7686	2.0389	.8315	4.1445	3.2482	.0176
448	7	3.7966	3.4974	.0546	4.0775	1.8294	1.2946
61	3	3.9567	2.7842	4.2411	2.7017	2.0201	3.2811
62	3	3.9324	2.7874	1.8265	.6217	1.3883	.1143
63	3	3.7210	4.2505	3.3586	1.5401	3.0135	3.2030
447	3	4.1160	2.8161	4.3676	2.0110	1.7944	3.6636
101	7	3.5578	4.1242	.6924	-.1574	1.5335	-1.84
454	5	3.8982	2.6583	.0981	1.2391	.2808	1.8641
456	6	3.9887	4.1894	.2573	.6426	1.6101	2.3292
64	4	3.6868	2.5455	.8236	2.8448	1.4110	1.8237
65	3	2.9668	2.2644	2.1411	4.6481	3.5729	2.8898
66	3	3.6454	-.0424	1.9947	.3709	1.0348	-.0582
461	7	3.2697	5.3875	2.8331	2.0823	2.3310	1.3195
463	7	3.9086	4.2185	2.6660	1.4254	2.2229	1.4811
70	99	3.7569	2.7598	2.1098	.1573	1.5474	.3549
74	1	3.5578	4.1242	.6924	1.1199	2.1169	4.3157

Table 4.03: Mean 1992 and 1993 relative DCA scores for 7 groups of wetland/riparian plant species along the Colorado River in Grand Canyon. Life history groups include: 1) clonal wet marsh; 2) herbaceous non-clonal wet marsh; 3) bar platform; 4) dry marsh; 5) upper alluvial terrace; 6) rocky channel margin; and 7) xeric (desert) species. "n" designates the number of species compared between years in each group. Group designations are identified in Table 4.02 and Appendix B.

GROUP	MEAN RELATIVE DCA AXIS 1 SCORE		MEAN RELATIVE DCA AXIS 2 SCORE		MEAN RELATIVE DCA AXIS 3 SCORE	
	1992 (n, sd)	1993 (n, sd)	1992 (n, sd)	1993 (n, sd)	1992 (n, sd)	1993 (n, sd)
1	0.884 (5, 0.017)	0.549 (5, 0.300)	0.474 (5, 0.289)	0.268 (5, 0.303)	0.412 (5, 0.259)	0.422 (5, 0.427)
2	0.903 (5, 0.058)	0.523 (5, 0.361)	0.415 (5, 0.202)	0.187 (5, 0.399)	0.461 (5, 0.196)	0.154 (5, 0.366)
3	0.867 (22, 0.225)	0.398 (22, 0.272)	0.493 (22, 0.247)	0.391 (22, 0.258)	0.515 (22, 0.239)	0.416 (22, 0.336)
4	0.939 (12, 0.043)	0.400 (12, 0.394)	0.360 (12, 0.166)	0.449 (12, 0.299)	0.252 (12, 0.217)	0.243 (12, 0.255)
5	0.917 (4, 0.055)	0.287 (4, 0.159)	0.485 (4, 0.189)	0.120 (4, 0.183)	0.141 (4, 0.125)	0.297 (4, 0.326)
6	0.884 (14, 0.097)	0.282 (14, 0.217)	0.594 (14, 0.229)	0.331 (14, 0.235)	0.424 (14, 0.312)	0.466 (14, 0.206)
7	0.853 (25, 0.212)	0.295 (25, 0.221)	0.662 (25, 0.197)	0.423 (25, 0.173)	0.469 (25, 0.261)	0.310 (25, 0.341)

Table 4.04: Mann-Whitney U statistics and serial Bonferroni tests on significance values of relative DECORANA scores within axes for seven life history groups of wetland, riparian and xeric plant species occurring along the Colorado River in Grand Canyon. Groups include: 1) clonal wet marsh; 2) herbaceous non-clonal wet marsh; 3) bar platform; 4) dry marsh; 5) upper alluvial terrace; 6) rocky channel margin; and 7) xeric (desert) species. "n" designates the number of species compared between years in each group. Group designations are identified in Table 4.02 and Appendix B.

GROUP	AXIS 1 U STATISTIC, P		AXIS 2 U STATISTIC, P		AXIS 3 U STATISTIC, P	
	(COUNT, 92RANKSUM, 93RANKSUM)					
1	22, 0.047 ^t	(5, 37, 18)	18, 0.251ns	(5, 33, 22)	13, 0.011 ^t	(5, 28, 27)
2	21, 0.076 ^t	(5, 36, 19)	17, 0.347ns	(5, 32, 23)	20, 0.117ns	(5, 35, 20)
3	458, 0.000*	(22, 711, 279)	284, 0.324ns	(22, 537, 453)	278, 0.398ns	(22, 531, 459)
4	126, 0.002*	(12, 204, 96)	55, 0.326ns	(12, 133, 167)	77, 0.773ns	(12, 155, 145)
5	16, 0.021*	(4, 26, 10)	15, 0.043 ^t	(4, 25, 11)	4, 0.248ns	(4, 14, 22)
6	195, 0.000*	(14, 310, 106)	154, 0.010 ^t	(14, 259, 147)	96, 0.926ns	(14, 201, 205)
7	584, 0.000*	(25, 909, 366)	518, 0.000*	(25, 843, 432)	416, 0.044 ^t	(25, 741, 534)

^t 0.05 < p < 0.10

* p < 0.05

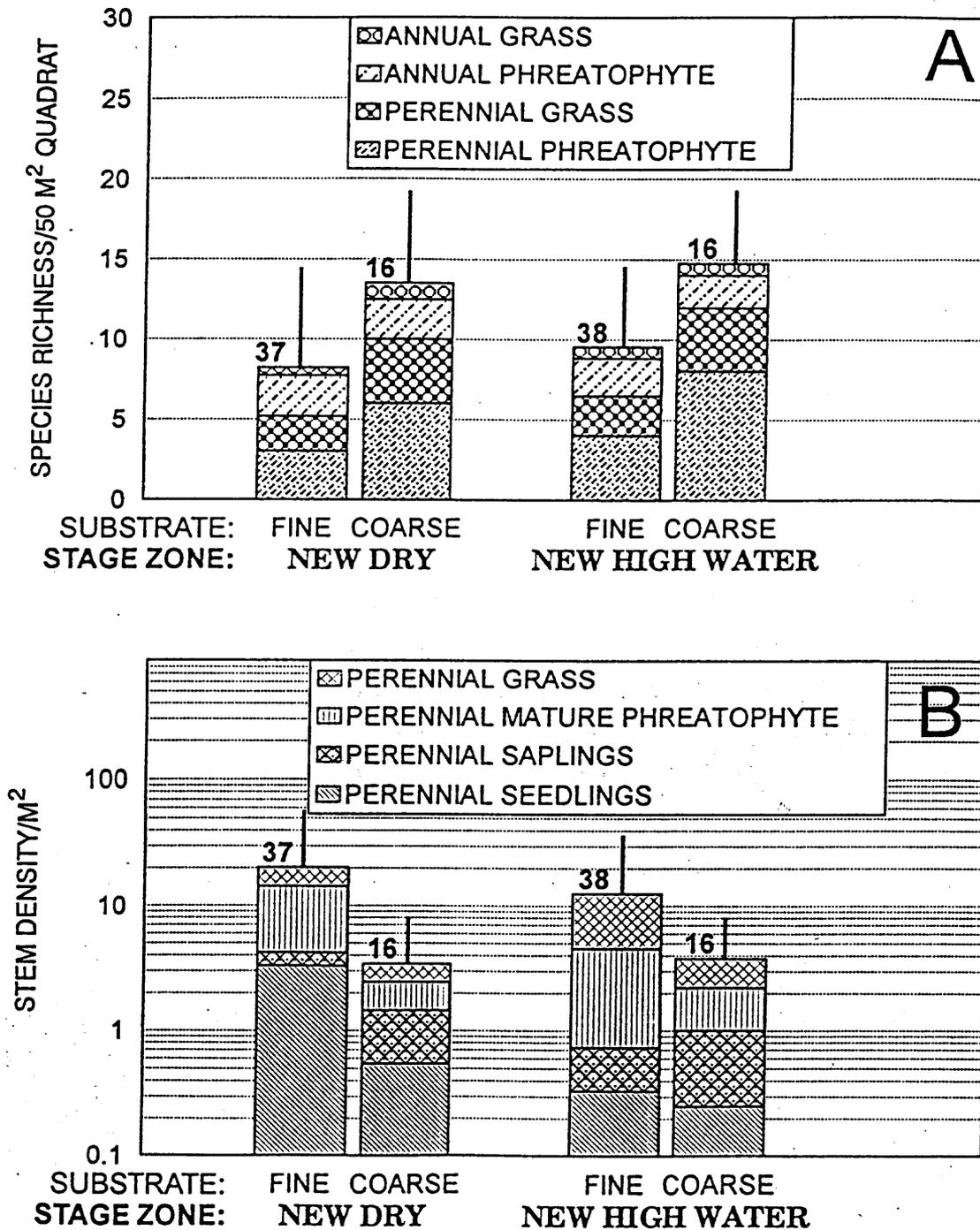


Figure 4.07: (A) Mean riparian plant species richness and (B) stem densities on randomly selected "new dry" versus "new high water" zone plots in fine versus coarse substrata through the Colorado River corridor in Grand Canyon, Arizona in 1992. Number of plots sampled and 1 sd are provided.

accord with the conclusions of Stevens and Ayers (1993). Overall, the bar platform and ND zones supported only about 50 percent of the species richness, but higher stem densities, than did the other lower riparian zone geomorphic settings under study.

1993: Analyses of stem density and species composition was also conducted on 85 randomly selected 5m x 10m quadrats which were surveyed in autumn, 1993. We used a multivariate two-factor (zone, grain-size) analysis of covariance, with three covariates: distance from Glen Canyon Dam, and arcsine-squareroot transformed percent ground cover and shrub cover. This analysis revealed a non-significant trend of lower stem density, but comparable species density, between these two zones in 1993 (zone effect in MANCOVA $F_{6,76} = 1.997$, $p = 0.076$, Table 4.05). Mature plant density ($p = 0.082$) and annual plant species density ($p = 0.086$) exhibited trends of lower, and higher, values, respectively, in the ND zone (Figs. 4.08 and 4.09). Stem density (mostly of annual herb seedlings) in 1993 was significantly greater in lower stage deposits in silt/sand deposits as compared to the NHW zone, while species density exhibited opposite but non-significant trends. Species diversity was positively correlated with distance from the dam, percent ground cover and percent shrub cover, and revealed a trend of increasing values in coarse substrata, again corroborating Stevens and Ayers (1993) findings. Both fine and coarse substrata were dominated by reproductively mature perennial taxa (clonal phreatophytes, particularly herbaceous *Equisetum* spp., woody *Salix exigua* and perennial bunch grasses. The largest proportion of species found in all zones were clonal herbaceous or woody phreatophytes, while annual grass and non-clonal phreatophyte species were more uniformly distributed across stage and substratum gradients.

Seedlings predominated in the ND zone in 1993, indicating that colonization was still proceeding rapidly there. However, *Tamarix ramosissima* seedlings were rare, and virtually all those encountered occurred in fine-grained ND zone plots (Fig. 4.09). The limited amount of *T. ramosissima* recruitment following the January/February, 1993 LCR floods was probably attributable to the amount of time (two months) for desiccation of riparian soils prior to the spring release of *T. ramosissima* seeds.

Univariate analyses suggested that annual and perennial plant species diversity were positively correlated with percent ground cover and shrub cover ($p = 0.04$ and 0.005 , respectively). Likewise, annual and perennial plant stem density were positively correlated with percent ground cover and shrub cover ($p = 0.001$ and 0.04 , respectively). Our data suggest that annual plant diversity decreases with distance downstream in coarse-grained settings, while no distance-related trend exists for perennial species or any species in fine-grained habitats (Fig. 4.10A and B). These findings contrast with those of Nilsson et al. (1989) who described a non-linear pattern of weed diversity over distance downstream in Scandinavian rivers. We attribute the negative correlation between weed species diversity and distance in coarse habitats to be a function of increasing distance from population sources (large tributaries, such as the Paria and Little Colorado rivers) and the poor chances of colonization in rock-dominated habitats.

Table 4.05: MANCOVA table of factors influencing vegetation characteristics on 85 randomly selected 5 m x 10 m quadrats in the "new dry" and "new high water" zones through the Colorado River corridor in the Grand Canyon in 1993. Response variables included: *Tamarix ramosissima* seedling density/m² (SdD_T), other perennial seedling density/m² (SdD_o), perennial sapling density/m² (SpD), perennial mature plant density/m² (MD), annual species density/m² (ASD), and perennial species density/m² (PSD). Predictor variables included: zone (ND = "new dry" versus NHW = "new high water") and substratum type (F, fine = silty sand versus C, coarse = cobble/talus breccia), with distance from Lees Ferry as a covariate.

SOURCE	WILK'S LAMBDA	APPROX. F	df	p	SIGNIFICANT RESPONSE VARIABLES
Zone	0.864	1.997	6,76	0.076	MD t, ASD t
Substratum Type	0.778	3.624	6,76	0.003	MD*, PSD**, ASD t
Covariate: Distance	0.884	1.666	6,76	0.141	(ASD **)

t - 0.05 < p > 0.10

* - p < 0.05

** - p < 0.01

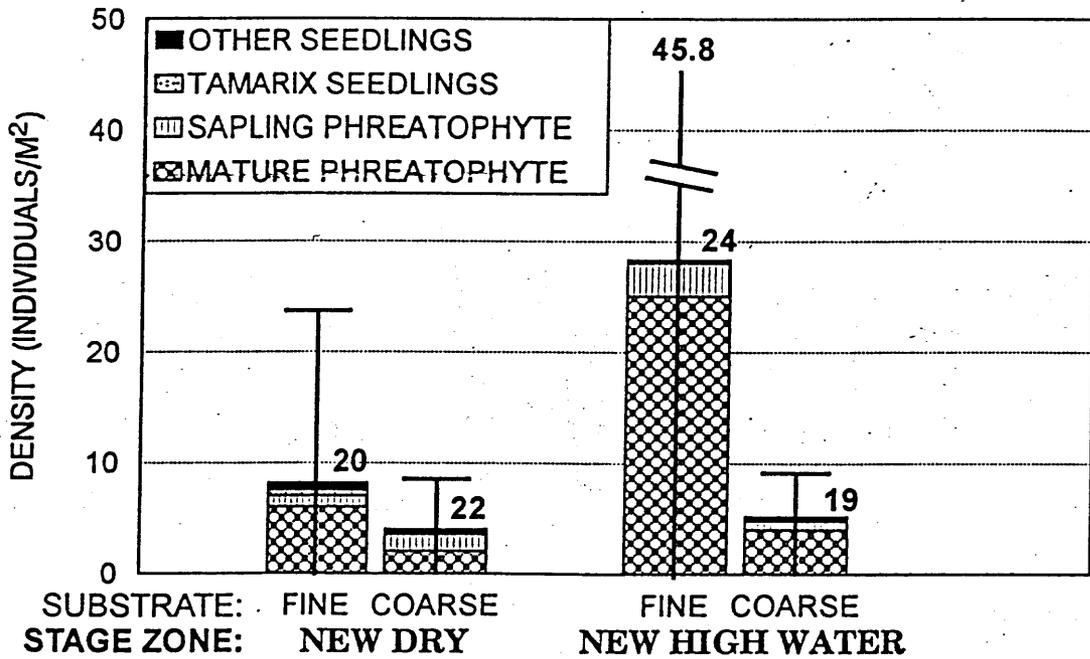
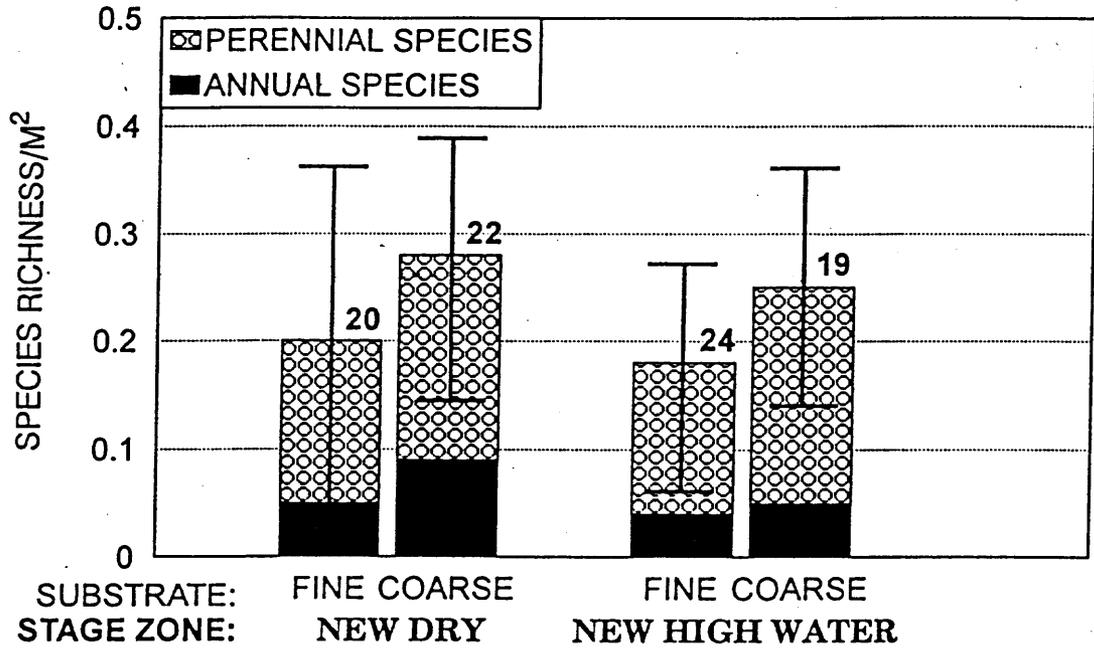


Figure 4.08 (Upper Graph): Mean perennial and annual riparian plant species richness/m² on "new dry" versus "new high water" zone plots in fine versus coarse substrata along the Colorado River in Grand Canyon, Arizona in 1993. Number of plots sampled and 1 sd are provided.

Figure 4.09 (Lower Graph): Mean perennial seedling, sapling and mature plant stem densities, and *Tamarix ramosissima* seedling densities/m² on "new dry" versus "new high water" zone plots in fine versus coarse substrata along the Colorado River in 1993. Number of plots sampled and 1 sd are provided.

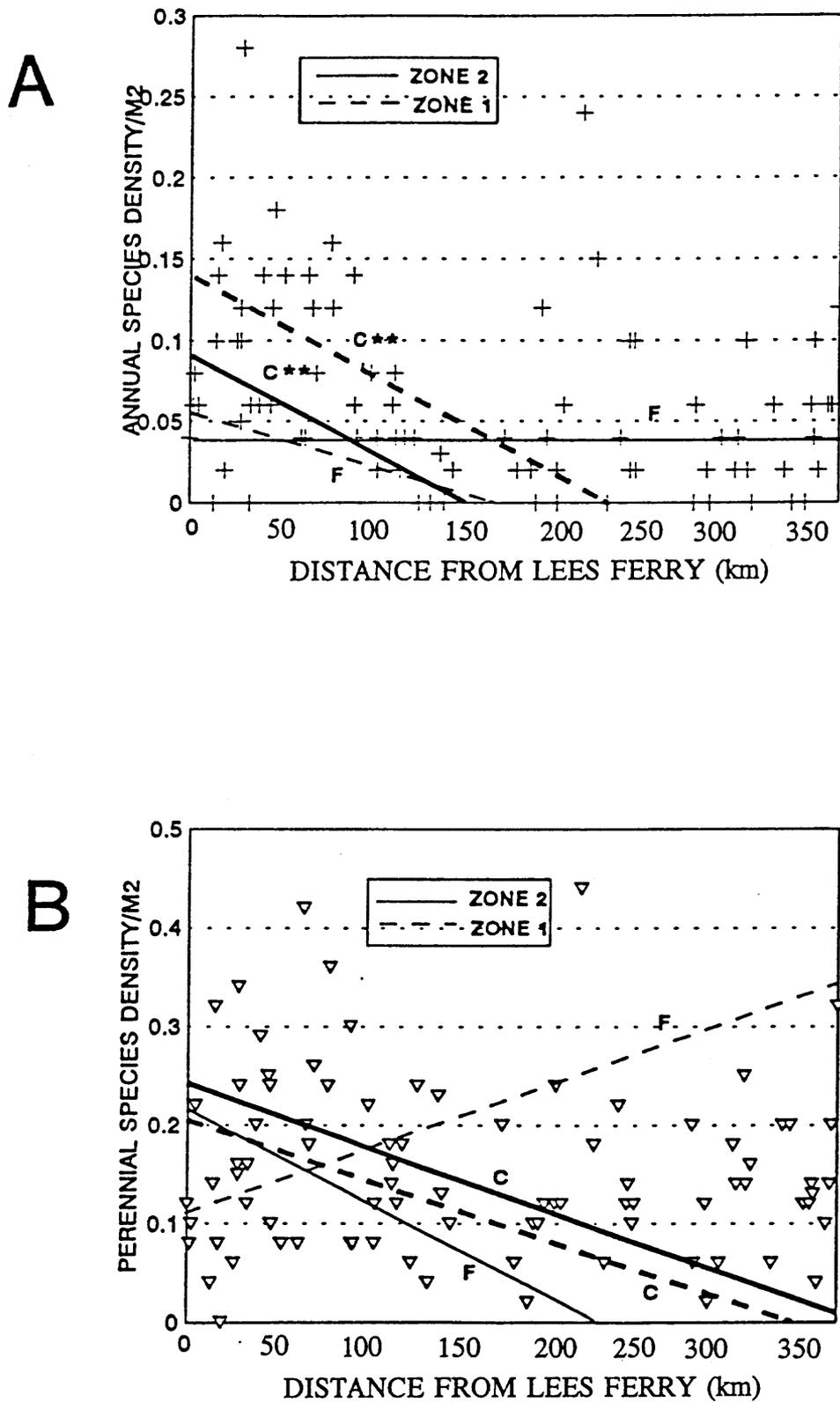


Figure 4.10: (A) Annual and (B) perennial riparian plant diversity as a function of distance downstream from Lees Ferry, Arizona in fine (F) versus coarse (C) substrata in the "new dry" (Zone 1) and "new high water" (Zone 2) stage zones in 1993.

SUMMARY

Several conclusions may be drawn from these analyses regarding initial and on-going changes in non-marsh vegetation related to interim flows.

- 1) The potential for control of on-going invasions by non-native plants varies between species, with some (e.g. Ravenna grass) rather easily controlled, and others (e.g. Lepidium latifolium) that may not be controlled.
- 2) MIPS analyses of 1991 and 1994 aerial photographs at six study areas revealed that although the overall cover of riparian vegetation at most study sites is static or increasing, the distribution of vegetation is shifting within sites. Sandbar riparian and wetland vegetation is concentrating between the 566 and 900 m³/s stages and previously established S. exigua in high bar locations is dying back.
- 3) Relative axis 1 DECORANA species scores on long-term quadrats in the lower riparian zone were lower in 1993 relative to 1992 scores, reflecting a gradual shift during interim flows towards sand bar species that are more drought tolerant. This was also supported by changes in individual species mean and sum basal areas on long-term quadrats in several lower riparian zone geomorphic settings.
- 4) The "new dry" zone, lying between the interim flows maximum flow stage (566 m³/s stage) and the "normal operations" stage (ca. 900 m³/s stage), was quickly colonized by riparian plant species, particularly herbs, clonal phreatophytes and perennial grasses. Higher stem density but lower species diversity occurred on fine-grained (silty fine sand) substrata, as compared to cobble and boulder substrata.

CHAPTER V

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INTRODUCTION

Detailed mapping of topography, geomorphology, soil texture and vegetation cover was conducted at selected study areas using Bureau of Reclamation 1992 aerial photographs to address the third objective of this project: "prepare monitoring data for inclusion into the GCES/NPS GIS database." Use of remote vegetation mapping data through the GCES GIS may provide a useful component for long-term monitoring and may improve understanding processes structuring riparian vegetation.

We used GIS mapping data compiled during this project to explore the distribution of mainstream riparian plant diversity, testing Huston's (1979, 1994) dynamic equilibrium model (DEH). This model predicts that diversity should be jointly influenced by nonlinear-unimodal relationships with productivity and ecological disturbance (Fig. 5.01). Low productivity associated with environmental harshness and high productivity which permits competitive exclusion to occur should both result in relatively low diversity. Similarly, low disturbance intensity, which permits competitive exclusion, and high disturbance intensity (i.e. environmental unpredictability) should likewise both result in relatively low diversity (Connell 1978). The DEH predicts that autotroph diversity should be highest at high levels of productivity and lower levels of disturbance (Fig. 5.01, lower graph, Region A). However, few studies have sought to test these predictions using field or experimental data.

We consider three other possible scenarios for maximum diversity: 1) axial maxima (Fig. 5.01B), 2) an intermediate field maximum (Fig. 5.01C), or 3) a central point maximum (Fig. 5.01C). Additionally, recent studies of riparian vegetation in flood-prone rivers suggests that geomorphology may also exert strong influences on plant diversity (Gregory et al. 1991, Stevens et al. 1995); however, the role of geomorphology on diversity in the presence of strong disturbance and productivity gradients is unknown.

We tested the influences of productivity, flood-disturbance (as inundation frequency), geomorphology (depositional environment and soil texture), and all two-way interactions on riparian plant species density/m² in five Colorado River study areas. The eddy-dominated Colorado River in the Grand Canyon is well suited for this study because: 1) the history of flooding is well known; 2) related studies provide useful information on the distribution of substantially different geomorphic surfaces; 3) estimates of annual litterfall are available for those geomorphic surfaces; and 4) the system is protected from other anthropogenic disturbances besides regulated flows (e.g. grazing, mining, etc.), which might obscure the effects of these predictor variables.

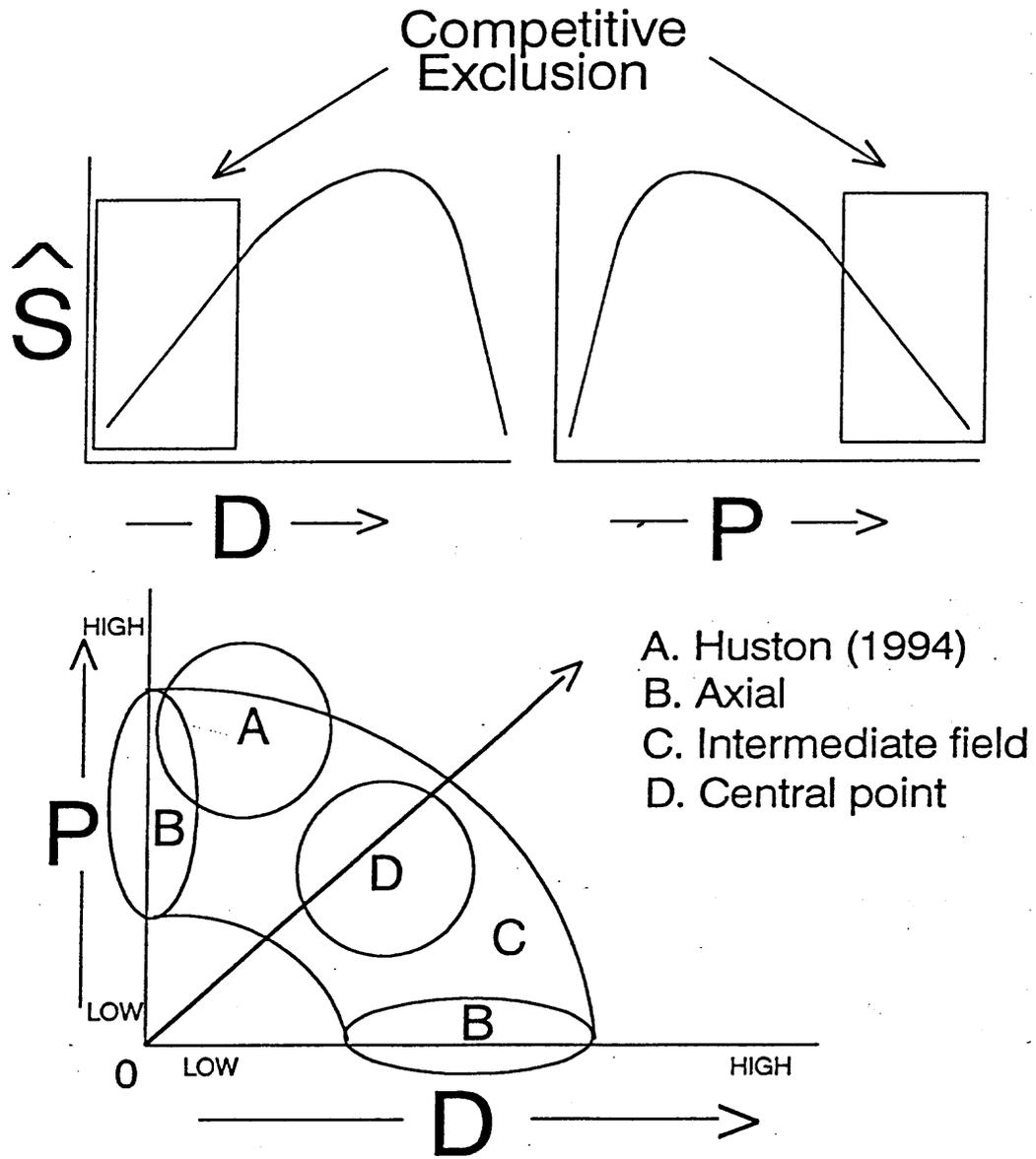


Figure 5.01: The dynamic equilibrium model of Huston (1979, 1994). Huston predicted that diversity would be suppressed in settings with low disturbance (D) or high productivity (P ; top graphs) by competitive exclusion. In 1994 he predicted that autotroph diversity across gradients of D and P would be highest in region A (lower graph). We consider three other possibilities for highest diversity: B - axial maxima, C - intermediate (arcuate) across both D and P fields, and D - a central maximum point arising from interactions of the two gradients.

METHODS

Mapping Images

We selected several of our long-term debris-fan complex study locations that occurred in the GCES-GIS as primary study sites, including: miles 43, 56, 68, 123 and 209 (Fig. 5.02). In addition, we selected secondary study sites (those with historic data but which did not occur in GCES-GIS reaches), including: miles 0, 3, 8, 88, 93, and 194. In October, 1992, preliminary evaluation of vegetation was completed at these sites. Color infra-red (CIR) aerial photos were enlarged and used as base maps for the sites. During preliminary site visits it became apparent that significant growth occurred between 1990 and 1992: newly emergent vegetation was found along the riparian zone which did not appear on the 1990 CIR photos, and shadows made interpretation difficult in the CIR images, since they appear black in color infra-red images. Due to this difficulty, normal color aerial photography (1992) was preferred for mapping, improving interpretation of vegetation in shadowed areas and shifts in cover type to be detected.

The scale of the 10-11 October, 1992 color aerial photography (Bureau of Reclamation, 1:4800) was too large for 3.0 m mapping accuracy. To conform with GCES GIS database accuracy standards, we enlarged images of each primary site to 1:1600. Base maps of geomorphology, soil texture and vegetation were prepared from the enlarged photographs. Secondary site maps are only relatable to the GCES-GIS reaches through the GCES system-wide survey traverses. These maps are housed with the GCES GIS and are not discussed further here.

Field Methods

Base maps were taken into the field for ground truthing. Mapped data were rectified using a series of surveyed ground control points (GCP's) on each image. Field mapping of vegetation, soils and geomorphology polygons was verified in June, 1994 at five study areas in GIS reaches (Fig. 5.02). The Mile 43 polygon map is presented as an example basemap of polygons (Fig. 5.03). We identified all plant species occurring in each polygon, and estimated the relative cover of each species in each polygon. After field ground truthing, maps were manually digitized by H. Mayes (Applied Technology Associates, Inc., courtesy of the Bureau of Reclamation) and polygon attribution was transferred from the field notes to the GCES GIS.

Disturbance Intensity: Disturbance intensity was determined in relation to the stage-to-discharge relations at each site. The centroid of each polygon was surveyed during the June, 1994 field truthing expedition. We used stage-to-discharge relationships developed by Stevens et al. (in press) at miles 43, 51, 56, 68 and 123, and we used strandlines and distinctive terraces at 94 and 209 to interpret polygon stage elevation. These data were related to published flow duration curves for the post-dam era (Fig. 5.04, Bureau of Reclamation 1990) to estimate inundation frequency (a correlate of flood disturbance intensity) for each polygon in each study area (e.g. Fig. 5.05).

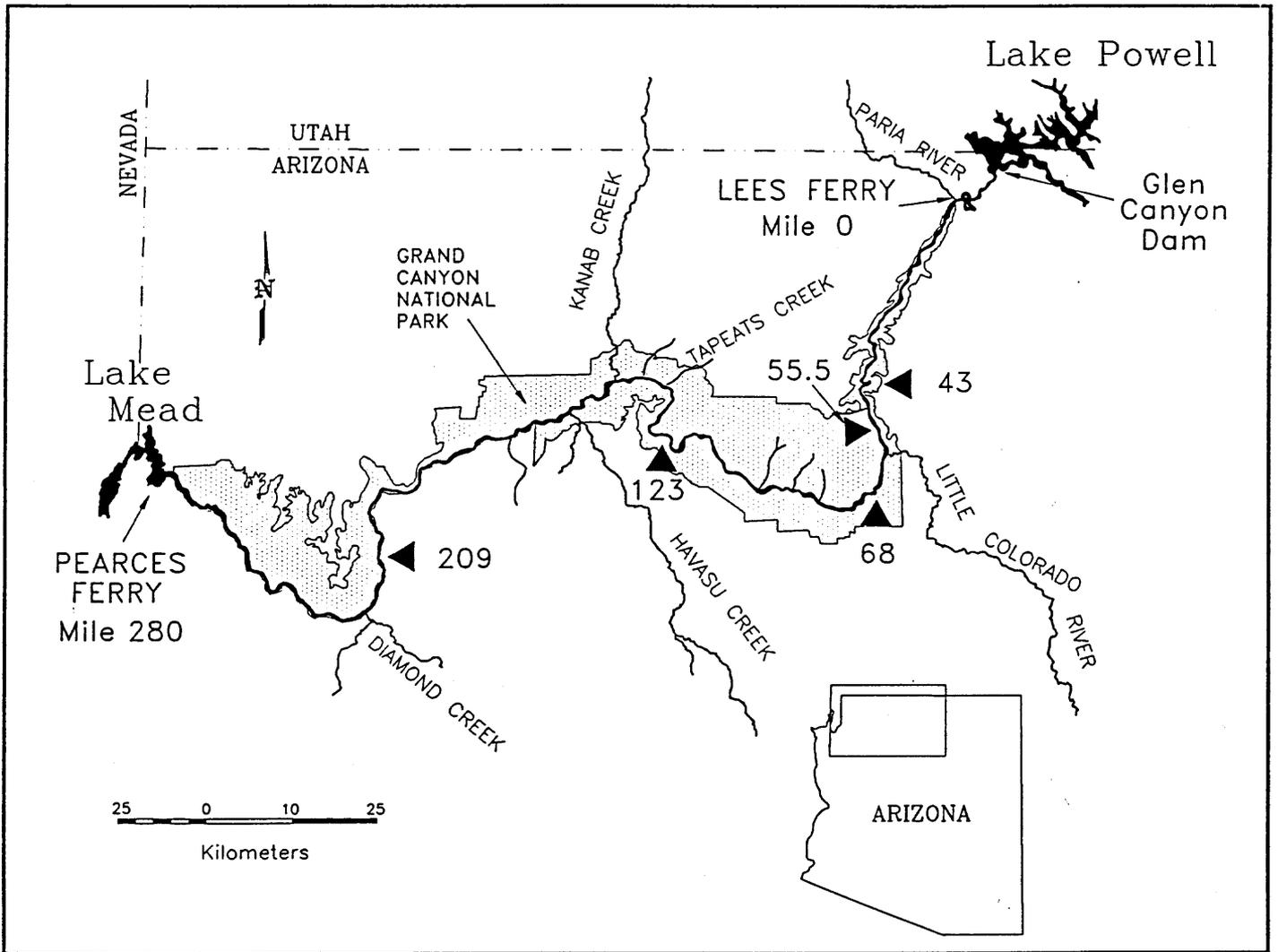


Figure 5.02: Map of the five study locations for GIS analyses.

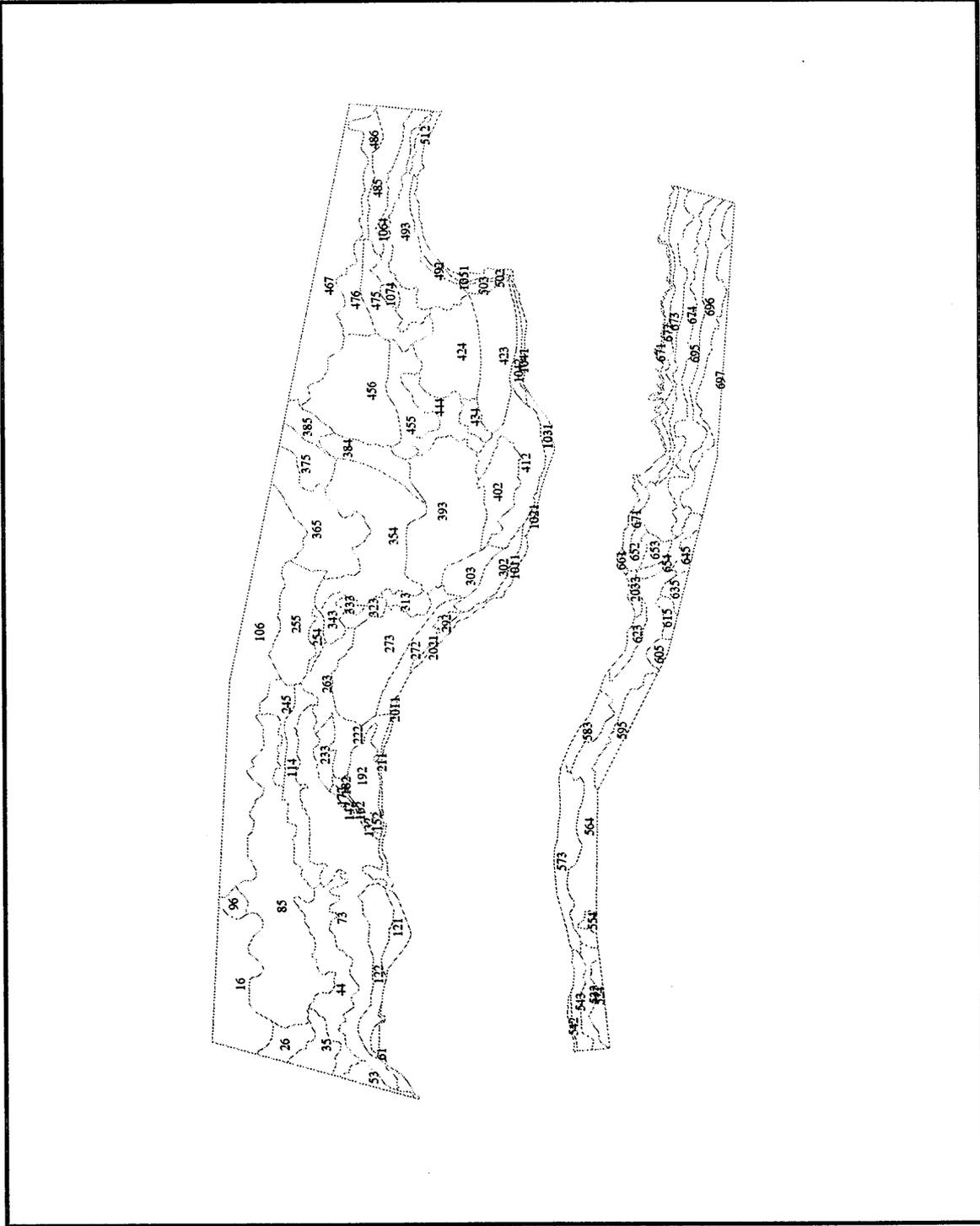


Figure 5.03: Vegetation polygon map of the Mile 43 study area from 1993 aerial photographs. Numbers refer to polygon designations.

Historic Daily Flows at Lees Ferry

Flow Duration for Water Years 1922-1989

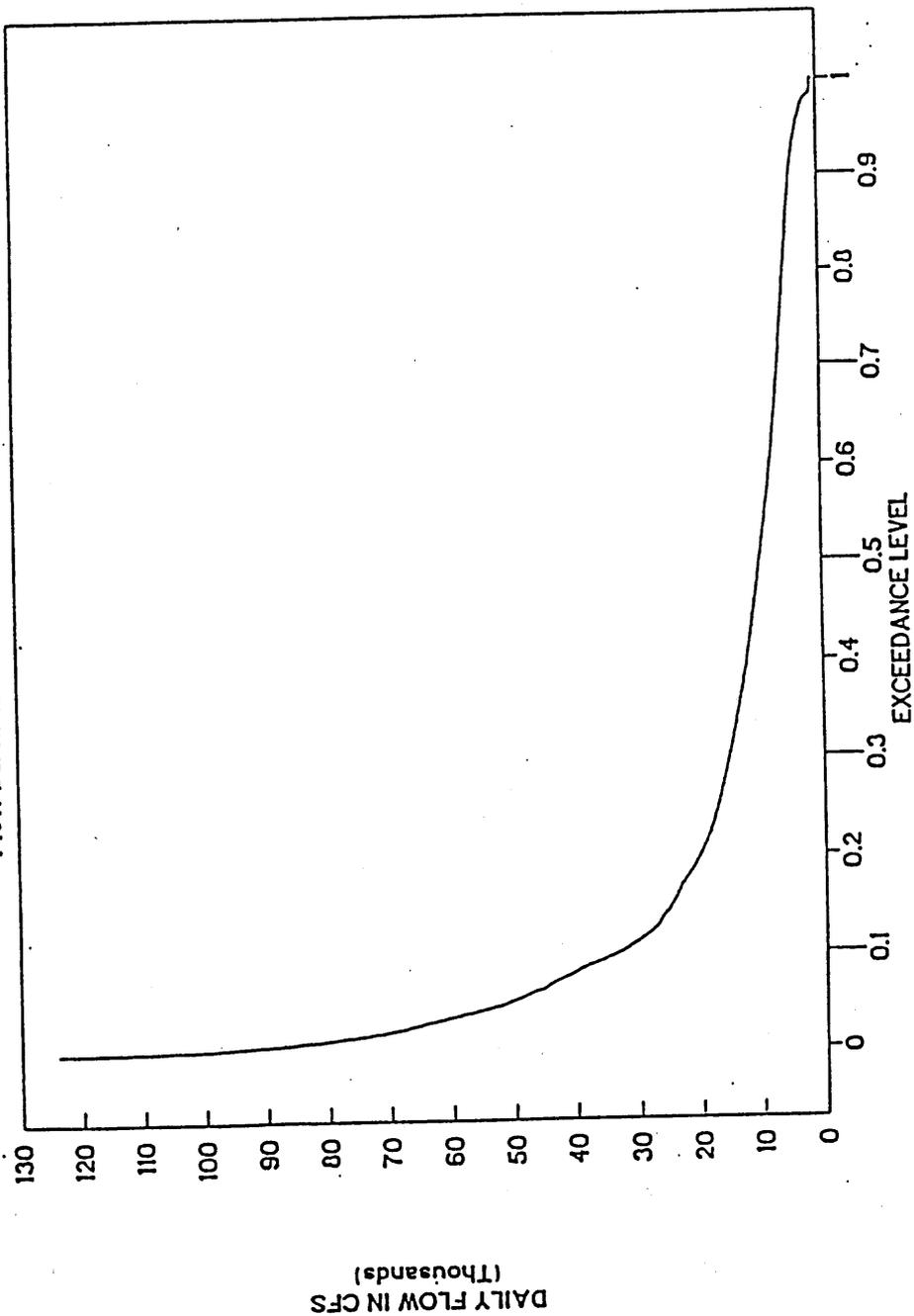


Figure 5.04: Historic daily flow duration at Lees Ferry, Arizona, 1922-1989.

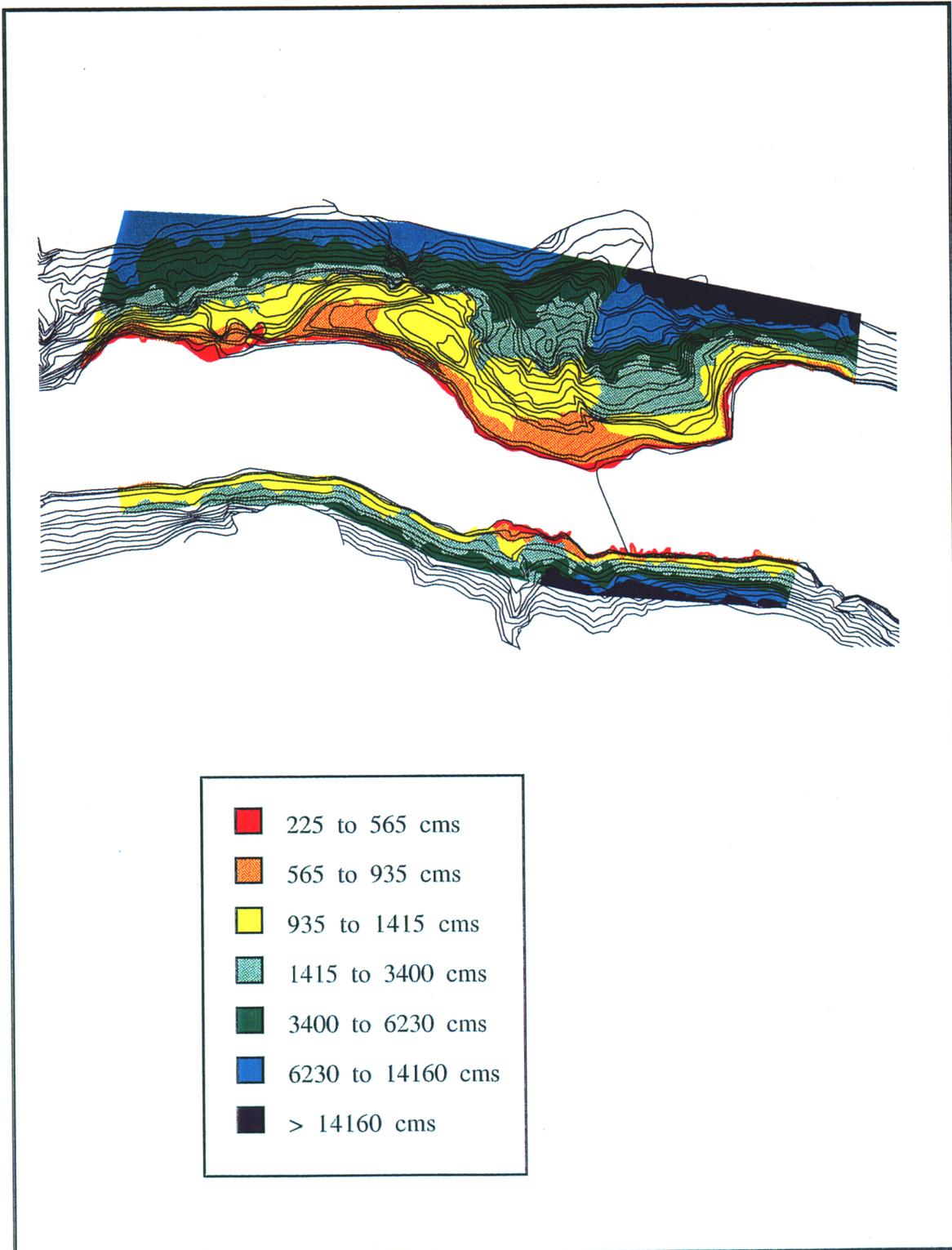


Figure 5.05: GIS overlays of topography and inundation frequency zones at the Mile 43 study area in 1994.

Productivity: Estimation of litter accumulation rate (a correlate of productivity) was accomplished by measuring gravimetric soil moisture, duff and litter depth, the number of ground, shrub and canopy cover contacts on a vertical survey rod at 148 0.5 m² plots. These plots were situated in relation to the long-term study quadrats throughout the river corridor and in a wide variety of geomorphic settings. Annual litterfall had been previously measured by collecting litter at one year intervals on these plots (Stevens unpublished data). Many factors (decomposition, wind or water transport, animal disturbance) influence annual litterfall; however, annual net litter accumulation provides a reasonable, readily quantified measure of resident organic production. Also, June was selected for field sampling because that month is the driest month of the year in Grand Canyon, and the soil moisture gradient was expected to vary most strongly across stage elevation.

We developed an index of productivity using stepwise multiple linear regression (SYSTAT v. 5.03, Wilkinson 1991) to correlate these variables with measured litter accumulation rates:

$$\text{Log}_e(L) = 0.208\text{Log}_e(D) + 1.295\text{arcsine}(S)^{-5} + 0.027F - 0.157 \quad (\text{Eq. 5.1})$$

(SMLR adj'd $r^2 = 0.667$, $F_{3,143} = 98.691$, $p < 0.001$)

where L = the estimated annual litter accumulation rate (g/m²/yr), D = duff thickness (cm), S = percent soil moisture and F = foliage contact density.

During ground truthing we measured these same variables in each polygon at each study area. We applied Equation 5.1 to the polygon data to estimate of litter accumulation rate (e.g. Fig. 5.06).

Geomorphology: Grain size and geomorphology have been demonstrated to be strongly correlated with plant species density (Stevens et al. in press). Therefore we mapped the various geomorphic settings (e.g. Fig. 5.07), and the range of surficial particle sizes occurring in each polygon. We used the geomorphology terminology applied by J.C. Schmidt (personal communication).

Analyses

We analyzed the spatial distribution of annual and perennial plant species density/m² in relation to soil moisture, stage elevation (inundation frequency), slope, grain size, geomorphology, and estimated productivity gradients using GIS, Pearson correlation analysis with Bonferroni adjustment and analyses of variance (e.g. Fig. 5.08).

RESULTS AND DISCUSSION

The data collected on all sites are presented in Table 5.01 and summarized in Table 5.02. Pearson correlation analysis revealed positive correlations between litter accumulation rate (L) and all predictor variables, except annual species density (Table 5.03). L was positively correlated with slope, an effect related to higher canopy cover and litterfall on slopes overhung

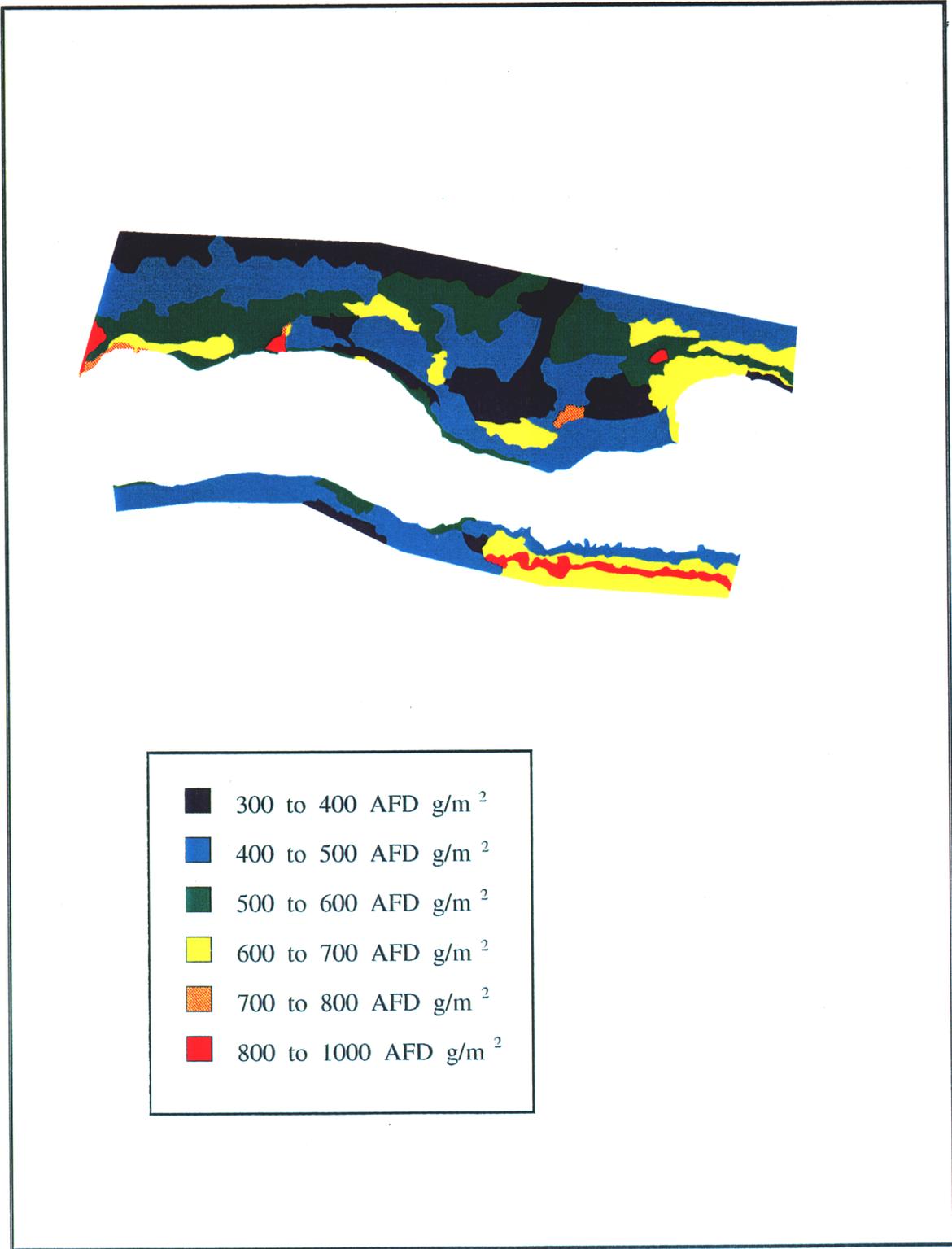


Figure 5.06: GIS overlay of estimated productivity at the Mile 43 study area in 1994.

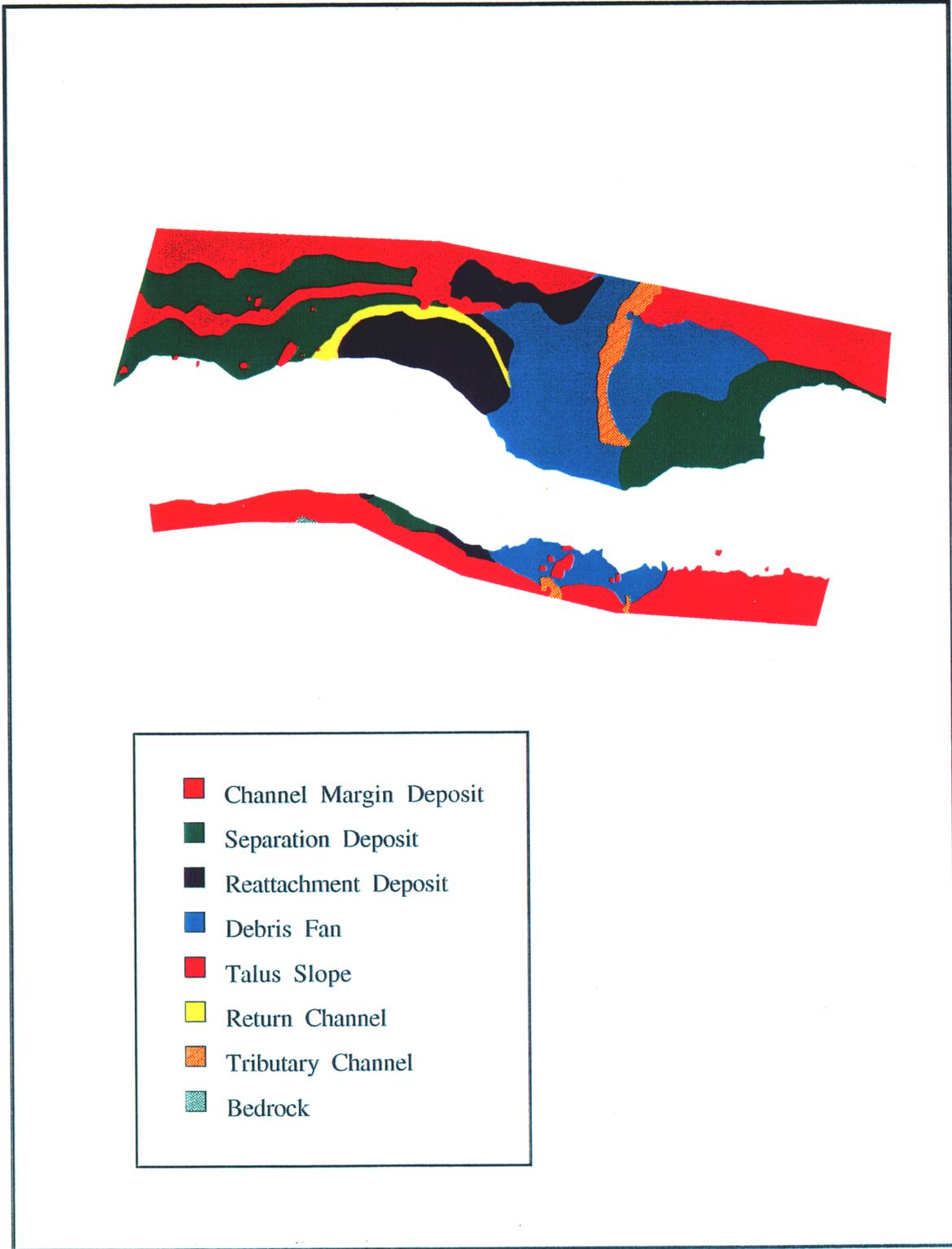


Figure 5.07: GIS overlay of geomorphic environments at the Mile 43 study area in 1994.

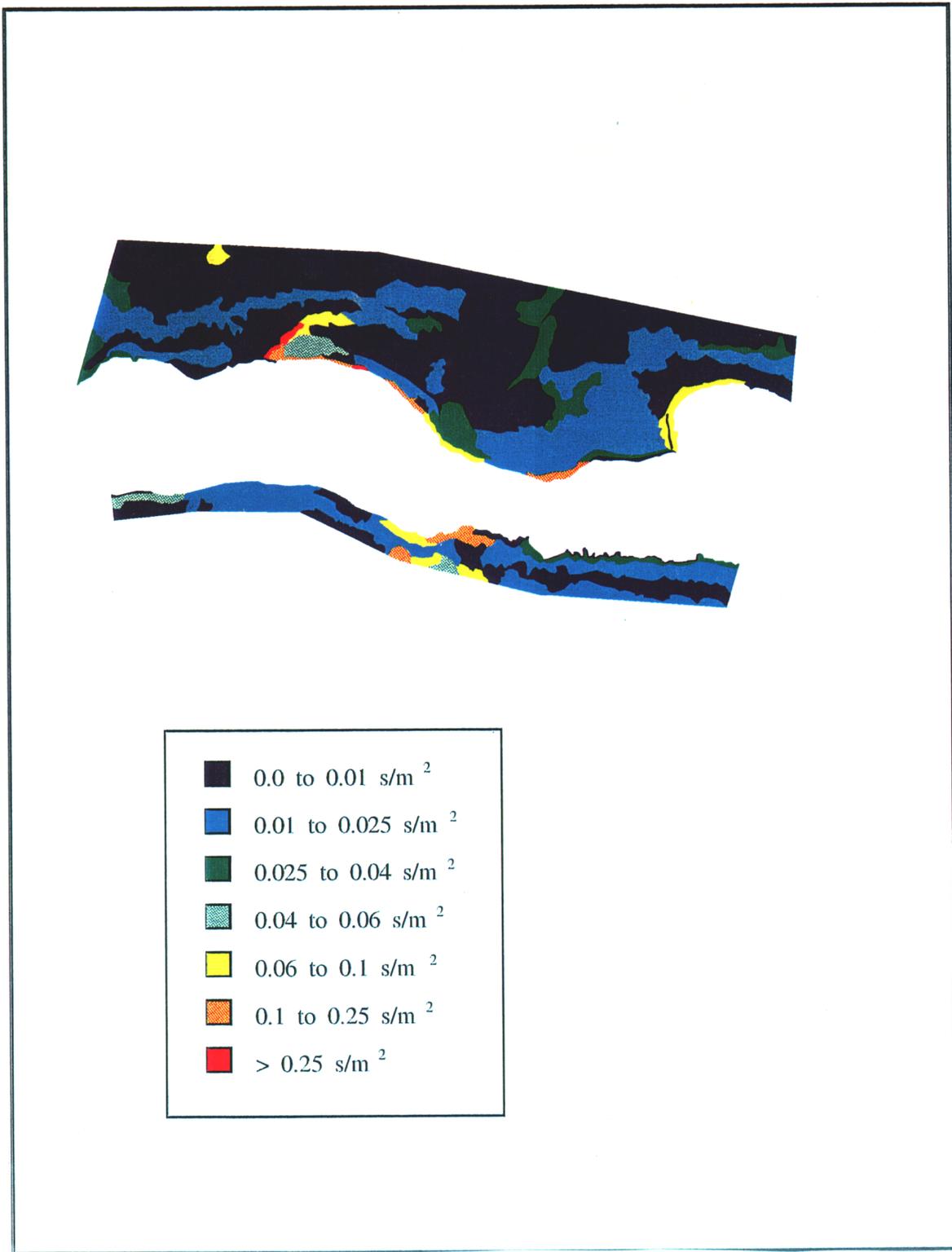


Figure 5.08: GIS overlay of plant species density (number of species (s)/ m^2) at the Mile 43 study area in 1994.

Table 5.02: Summary of mean physical characteristics and diversity data for five GIS study areas in the Colorado River corridor in Grand Canyon National Park, Arizona. Mi = river mile from Lees Ferry, AZ. Stage (elevations): 1 = 227-566 m³/s, 2 = 566-935 m³/s, 3 = 935-1415 m³/s, 4 = 1415-3400 m³/s, 5 = 3400-7080 m³/s, 6 = 7080-14160 m³/s, 7 > 14160 m³/s. GEOMRED: 1 = reattachment or separation bar surface environment, 2 = return current channel environment, 3 = debris fan/cobble bar environment, 4 = talus slope environment. Soil texture classes: 1 = clay, 2 = silt, 3 = sand, 4 = fine gravel, 5 = coarse gravel, 6 = cobble/small boulder, 7 = boulder, 8 = bedrock.

	MEAN GEOMOR ENVI	REL. %SOIL MOIST	MEAN LITTER+ DUFF DPTH(cm)	MEAN %GROUND COVER	MEAN TOTAL CANOPY CONTACTS	MEAN POLYGN AREA(m2)	MEAN EST'D LITTER ACCUM. RATE (g C/m2/yr)	MEAN SLOPE(°)	MEAN PER.SPP. DEN/m2	MEAN TOT.SPP. DEN/m2	MEAN INUND FREQ.
BREAKDOWN BY GEOMORPHIC ENVIRONMENT:											
1	0.068	2.904	1.036	0.509	6.793	697.721	657.180	8.284	0.037	0.050	0.127
2	0.180	2.279	1.186	1.000	10.090	352.166	905.501	5.083	0.158	0.192	0.233
3	0.045	3.561	0.487	0.444	3.882	820.211	457.993	6.965	0.046	0.058	0.098
4	0.026	3.145	1.080	0.629	4.531	1010.130	549.394	13.532	0.024	0.029	0.026
BREAKDOWN BY MILE:											
MILE	0.067	3.118	0.967	0.512	4.240	766.507	537.605	11.881	0.057	0.070	---
43	0.105	2.735	1.345	0.696	9.370	770.165	812.370	7.164	0.026	0.034	---
56	0.072	2.877	0.894	0.283	5.128	893.684	565.746	6.541	0.018	0.024	---
68	0.045	3.373	0.480	0.474	4.197	809.810	513.964	7.563	0.047	0.062	---
123	0.035	3.204	0.887	0.632	7.331	590.500	624.247	7.722	0.050	0.067	---
209	---										
BREAKDOWN BY STAGE:											
STAGE	0.190	3.118	0.284	0.395	3.230	417.329	780.051	10.079	0.067	0.087	0.325
1	0.084	3.028	0.846	0.623	7.171	387.008	699.870	6.297	0.071	0.091	0.125
2	0.017	3.234	1.048	0.417	6.191	567.732	499.910	8.312	0.038	0.050	0.075
3	0.052	3.199	0.871	0.400	5.339	1085.330	468.089	7.409	0.023	0.030	0.003
4	0.018	2.984	1.003	0.711	5.676	1303.040	627.560	11.074	0.019	0.026	<0.001
5	0.012	2.859	1.297	0.700	5.113	1171.560	451.620	11.848	0.014	0.023	<<0.001
6	0.082	4.630	0.080	0.000	1.000	2010.910	475.207	6.674	0.008	0.008	<<<0.001
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Table 5.03: Pearson correlation analysis with a Bonferroni adjustment between several GIS variables at study areas on which litter accumulation rates were measured. S/m² is species density.

	Estimated Litter Accum. Rate	Inundation Frequency	Slope	Duff Depth (cm)	% Soil Moisture	Perennial S/m ²	Annual S/m ²
Estimated Litter Accum. Rate	1.000 (0.000)						
Inundation Freq.	0.259 (0.006)	1.000 (0.000)					
Slope	0.212 (0.006)	0.005 (1.000)	1.000 (0.000)				
Duff Depth (cm)	0.280 (<0.001)	-0.158 (0.151)	-0.054 (1.000)	1.000 (0.000)			
% Soil Moisture	0.485 (<0.001)	0.702 (<0.001)	0.006 (1.000)	-0.016 (1.000)	1.000 (0.000)		
Perennial S/m ²	0.179 (0.047)	0.256 (<0.001)	0.016 (1.000)	-0.107 (1.000)	0.320 (<0.001)	1.000 (0.000)	
Annual S/m ²	0.077 (1.000)	0.227 (0.002)	0.003 (1.000)	-0.120 (1.000)	0.179 (0.049)	0.795 (<0.001)	1.000 (0.000)

by dense vegetation. Percent soil moisture was positively correlated with perennial and annual species density. Also, perennial and annual species density was positively correlated.

Disturbance intensity varied across the riparian landscape in a fashion consistent with stage relations (Figs. 5.09 and 5.10). Mean species density remained uniformly low (ca. 0.035/m²) on the pre-dam terraces. Mean species density reached a highly variable maximum of 0.085/m² at stage elevations that were inundated 15 to 43 percent of the days from 1922 to 1989, and then abruptly decreased to near zero when daily inundation frequency approached 50 percent.

Total species density varied in the predicted fashion with respect to disturbance (Connell 1978), but diversity was monotonically, positively correlated with productivity only at intermediate disturbance levels. This lends support to Huston's (1979, 1994) model, but results in a pattern not predicted by that model. Diversity was strongly skewed towards the water's edge (Fig. 5.09), providing evidence of support for Miller's (1982) contention that diversity need not be maximal at the middle of disturbance gradients.

The positive correlation between species density and productivity was strongly, conditionally dependent on disturbance intensity (Fig. 5.10). At low and high levels of disturbance, diversity was not correlated with productivity; however, at intermediate levels of disturbance, diversity was strongly positively correlated with productivity. This finding supports a variant of the intermediate field hypothesis. However, productivity and disturbance gradients are, themselves, closely correlated in river ecosystems. Low stage elevations are subject to greater disturbance intensity but also have the highest soil moisture availability. Therefore, conditions of high productivity (low stage elevation) and low disturbance intensity (high stage elevation) do not overlap, limiting our ability to fully test the DEH. Overall, this study supports Huston's (1979) contention that diversity is influenced by the interaction between disturbance intensity and productivity.

Stepwise multiple linear regression (SMLR) revealed that soil texture ($p_{2\text{-tailed}} = 0.033$) and interaction between inundation frequency and productivity ($p_{2\text{-tailed}} < 0.001$) exerted weak but significant influences on total plant species density/m²:

$$\log_e S = 0.06 - 0.04 \log_e(T) + 0.018 \log_e[(\arcsine(I)^{0.5}) * L]$$

$$(r = 0.333, F_{2,284} = 17.739, p < 0.001)$$

where S is species density/m², T is soil texture, I is inundation frequency and L is estimated litter accumulation rate. This pattern was similar when perennial S was analyzed separately ($p < 0.001$), but annual S was only strongly influenced by I ($p < 0.001$). Because soil texture is strongly correlated with geomorphic environment, these results indicate that riparian plant diversity is influenced jointly by interactions between productivity, disturbance intensity and geomorphology.

A more complete test of the DEH will require experimentation and more detailed analyses of the distribution of riparian vegetation. Stevens (1989) reported that under conditions of low disturbance and high moisture availability at Grand Canyon springs, plant diversity is reduced to just two common species: Phragmites australis and Cladium californicum. These two species vary in dominance apparently in relation to moisture availability, with the former dominant in drier conditions. Under the array of gradients available at desert springs, the central point hypothesis is more likely to be supported.

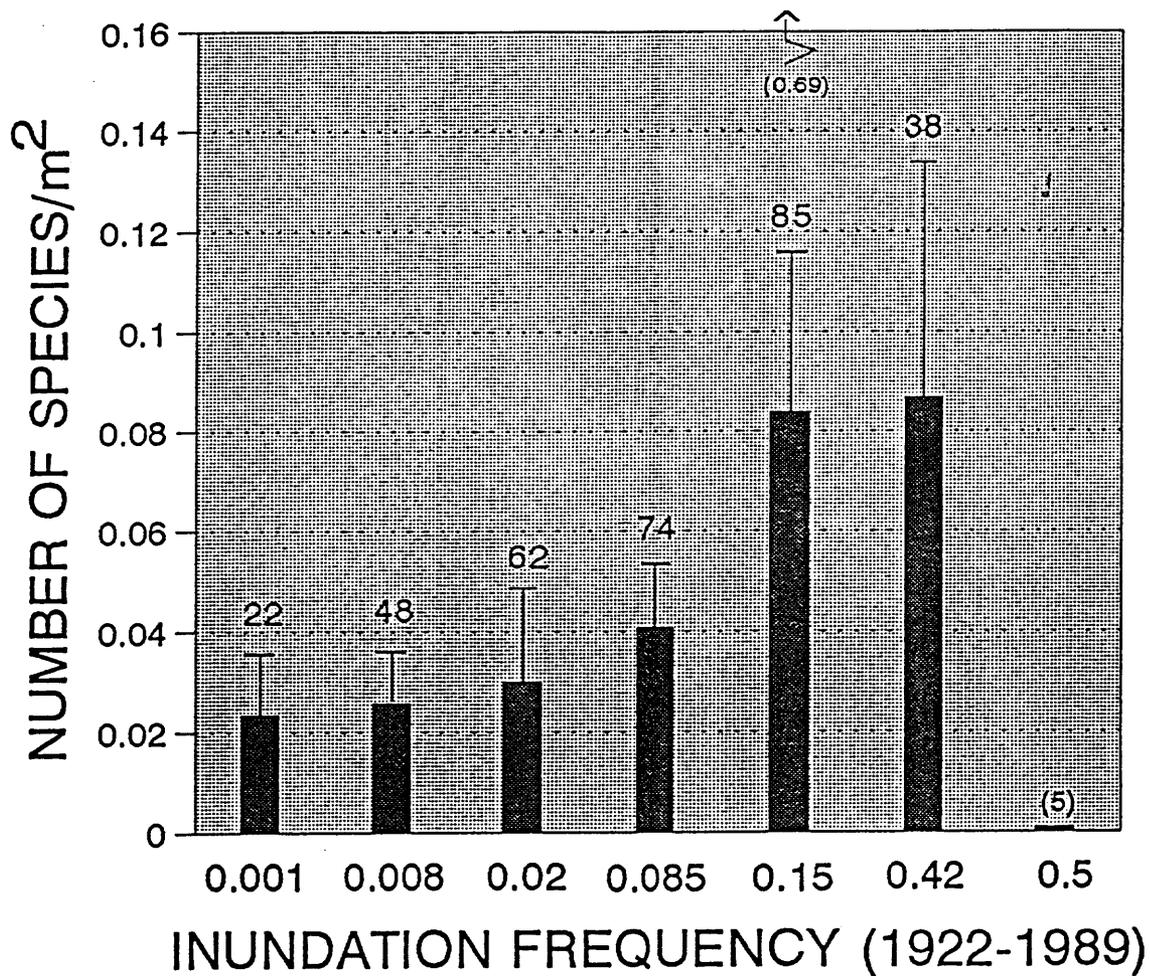


Figure 5.09: Plant species density as a function of inundation frequency (1922-1989) from five study areas along the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, Arizona. Numbers above bars indicate the number of polygons measured in each inundation frequency zone, and error bars are 1 sd.

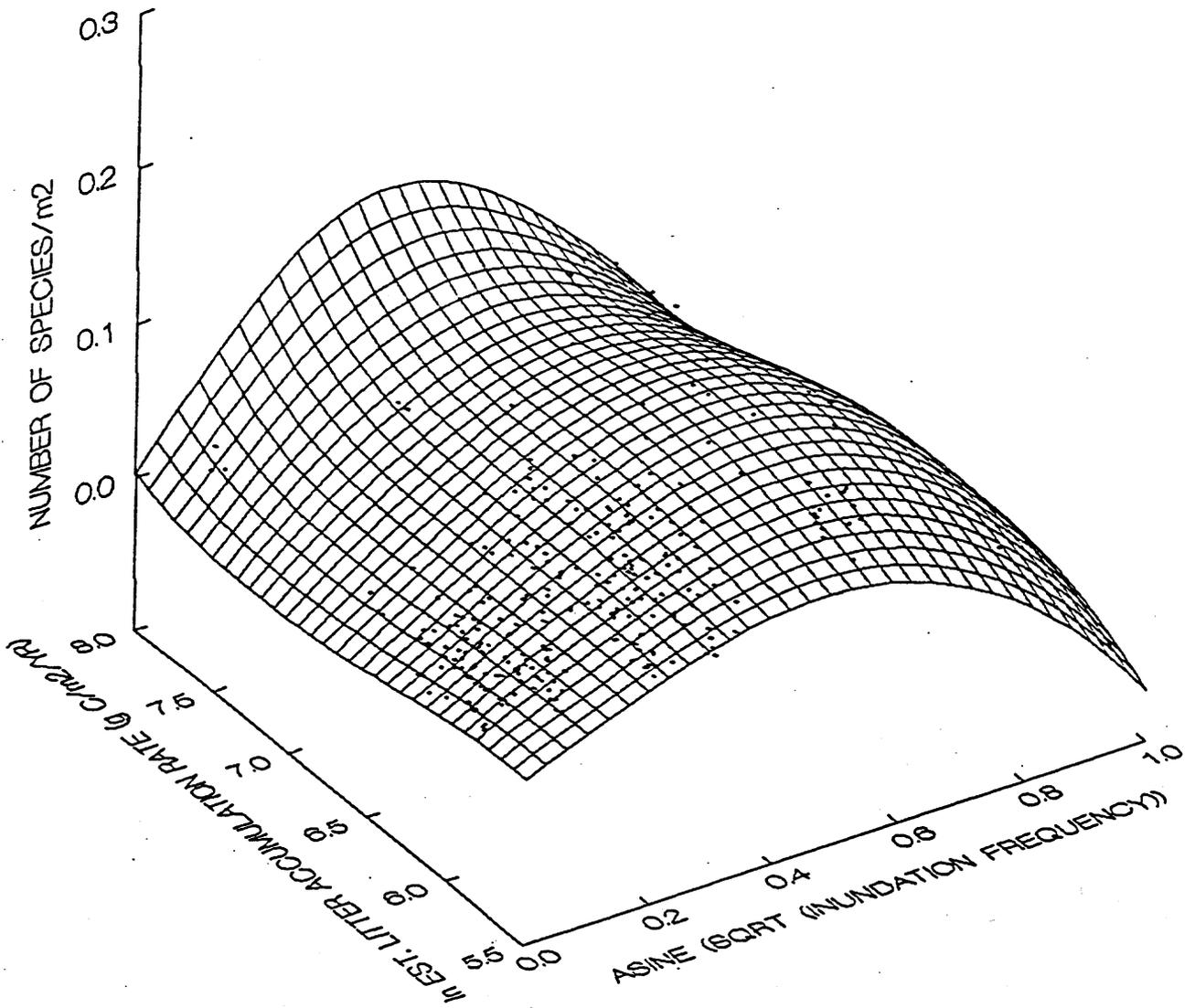


Figure 5.10: Plant species density as a function of inundation frequency (transformed to the arcsine of inundation frequency^{0.5}) and estimated litter accumulation rate (g C/m²/yr). The pattern generally supports Huston's (1994) model.

CHAPTER VI:

CONCLUSIONS AND MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

GENERAL OBSERVATIONS

Interim Flows Effects

Interim flows criteria were designed to limit negative effects of dam operations during the GCD/EIS process, and interim flows are exerting several different short- and longer-term impacts on riparian vegetation in the Colorado River corridor downstream from Glen Canyon Dam. From the 2.5 yr of data analyzed in this report, the consistently lower water levels that characterize interim flows (as compared to the 1987-1991 period of "normal dam operations") have resulted in a rapid, short-term increase in riparian vegetation in the newly stabilized, low elevation portions of the Colorado River corridor. At every site we examined, this "new dry" zone lying between the 566 m³/s and 890 m³/s stages, has sustained a surprising amount of primary colonization by emergent herb, macrophyte and clonal perennial vegetation. Thus interim flows are contributing to increased shoreline colonization in the Grand Canyon. Interim flows are, in essence, concentrating riparian plant life to a narrower zone near the water's edge, but where it is certain to be more susceptible to scour during high flow events.

The system-wide extent of the "new dry" zone has not been mapped; however, it varies from approximately 0.5 m on vertical banks in wide reaches, to tens of meters on low-lying sandbars, such as those at the Mile 51.2L and 55.5R study sites. If the mean width of the "new dry" zone is only 1.0 m, this constitutes an additional 41 ha of new riparian habitat in the river corridor. Thus, more marsh and riparian vegetation presently occurs at lower stage elevations than previously in this system.

Longer-term changes associated with interim flows include a gradual dieback of previously established marsh and Salix exigua at high bar positions. We have observed and documented the gradual replacement of marsh vegetation with grasses and willow in previously established fluvial marshes, and the dieback of willow at several study sites. Because non-native Tamarix ramosissima is more drought tolerant than S. exigua (Stevens and Ayers 1993), interim flows may favor T. ramosissima over S. exigua, and retard the rate of successional change taking place on sandbars in this system (Stevens 1989).

Planned Flooding as a Management Strategy

Management strategies that permit non-native plant populations to increase threaten the integrity of established and developing native vegetation communities in the Colorado River corridor and its many pristine tributaries and desert springs. However, direct management of well-established non-native species may be difficult to achieve. Planned high releases outlined in the draft Glen Canyon Dam EIS (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation 1995) present a dilemma for habitat managers who must be simultaneously be concerned with restoration of characteristic geomorphic settings (i.e., large open sandbars and associated backwaters), while also limiting colonization of non-native species. We suggest that at least part of this dilemma may be solved

by timing planned flooding so that it coincides with the lowest possible seed density of non-native plant species. For example, peak Tamarix ramosissima seed dispersal occurs in May and June, and decreases throughout the remainder of the growing season. Tamarix ramosissima seed viability is less than 2 months (Stevens 1989) and the lowest viable seed density occurs in late winter in the Grand Canyon. Planned high flows will provide excellent germination conditions for T. ramosissima, and at least one full month, and possibly more time, is required following a flood to allow riparian soils to desiccate, thereby preventing widespread T. ramosissima germination. Therefore, planned high flow events can be timed as late as late March to accomplish geomorphological management objectives while simultaneously allowing sufficient time for riparian soils to desiccate.

Reduced flow variability under interim flows appears to limit T. ramosissima recruitment, and the lack of that species' establishment following the January-February, 1993 floods demonstrates that flooding can be used as a management strategy for reshaping sand bars without causing widespread expansion of the Tamarix population. However, additional research is warranted to understand the rate of soil desiccation following flooding under the range of climatic conditions present in the river corridor. Such research will increase management flexibility in planning high release events, and the potential for expansion of T. ramosissima in this system.

The concentration of vegetation at low stage elevations and dieback at higher stage elevations leaves the riparian vegetation in this system highly susceptible to scour under planned or unplanned high flow events. We consider it probable that interim flows coupled with planned flooding, as outlined in the draft EIS (U.S. Bureau of Reclamation 1995) will result in reduced marsh and other riparian vegetation in this system through time.

The January/February 1993 Little Colorado River floods provided an excellent opportunity to evaluate the potential for planned floods to reactivate and scour return current channels (RCCs). The approximate 5 days of 950 m³/s were inadequate for RCC reactivation and these short duration flooding events resulted in aggradation of existing RCCs. Prolonged flows of 1150 m³/s in 1980 failed to alter the morphology of six sandbars under study at that time (Stevens 1985), whereas flows of 2825 m³/s in 1983 were sufficient to thoroughly scour the 43.1L bar surface and return channel, and those at other sites (Stevens and Waring 1985, Stevens et al. in press). The threshold for activation of RCCs under evaluation as marsh habitats lies between these values. Short duration, low magnitude releases may not be sufficient to maintain characteristic habitats in this system. Management of sandbar geomorphology and associated vegetation in this system may therefore require substantial commitments of water and losses of power revenues.

SPECIFIC CONCLUSIONS

Fluvial Marshes

- 1) The 1993 inventory revealed that wet marsh (cattail/reed) patch density/km between Lees Ferry and Diamond Creek increased 3.5-fold over the 1991 total (253); however, total estimated fluvial wet marsh area decreased by 22 percent from 9.0 ha to 7.03 ha. Areal losses were related to scour downstream from the Little Colorado River by the January-February 1993 floods, with marsh area losses of up to 90 percent in some narrow reaches. In contrast, the

unflooded section of the river upstream from the Little Colorado River exhibited a slight gain in marsh area during this period. Additional but smaller marshes have developed as a result of flooding impacts and interim flows effects. If these developing marshes are permitted to grow, marsh area can be expected to increase again dramatically; however, planned flooding will undoubtedly scour most of these new marshes, as well as much of the other "new dry" zone vegetation, from the river corridor.

2) Comparison of MIPS analysis of marsh area at 24 sites between 1988 and 1994 reveals a great increase in fluvial marsh area through time up to 1992; however, overall marsh area declined significantly between 1992 and 1993 as a result of Little Colorado River flooding and probably also because of decreased inundation frequency of marsh vegetation at higher stage elevations. These analyses suggest that interim flows are having the hypothesized effect of reducing marsh area and concentrating marsh growth along channel margins and return current channel mouths.

3) Wet marsh cover above the maximum interim flows stage (566 m³/s) has decreased through the interim flows period, and composition has shifted towards dominance by woody phreatophytes (especially Salix exigua).

4) Silt-rich, low-slope shoreline habitats between the 425 and 566 m³/s stages (protected from daily inundation) have undergone primary colonization by wet marsh taxa during the interim flows period. Colonization occurred through clonal expansion of existing marsh stands in return current channel mouths and by primary colonization of reattachment point and channel margin settings.

5) Flooding of the Little Colorado River during the January and February 1993 demonstrated that short-duration (5-day) flows of maximum powerplant discharge (950 m³/s) aggrade RCCs, increasing the baselevel and further reducing inundation frequency. Short-term floods are therefore unlikely to reactivate scour of RCC's, limiting the utility of such events in restoration of RCC habitats. Higher magnitude and/or longer duration flows are required to reform RCC habitats. However, such floods will eliminate increased marsh cover that has developed at low (425-566 m³/s) stages. The result of coupling an interim flows regime with planned mainstream and erratic tributary floods is likely to reduce fluvial marsh cover in this system.

Xylem Water Potential Studies

1) S. exigua growth was negatively correlated with stage elevation, and stem age, stem length and basal area influenced growth, and is a suitable indicator of marsh moisture stress.

2) Temperature and relative humidity varied in relation to stage elevation, between day and night, between months in 1993 and between sites (over distance downstream from Glen Canyon Dam).

3) Temperature and humidity-adjusted xylem water potential (XWP) varied by time of day, between study sites and between months.

- 4) Log_n-transformed S. exigua annual stem growth was positively correlated with log_n-transformed distance downstream (D) and with both mean monthly pre-dawn and mean mid-day adjusted XWP values, and was negatively correlated with log_n-transformed ramet age.
- 5) The distinctive patterns of XWP in S. exigua document a change in water availability and suggests that compositional and structural shifts of previously established fluvial marsh assemblages documented above are related to soil moisture availability.

Other Non-Wetland Vegetation

- 1) The potential for control of on-going invasions by non-native plants varies between species, with some (e.g., Erianthus ravennae) being rather easily controlled, and others (e.g., Lepidium latifolium) that may not be controlled.
- 2) MIPS analyses of 1991 and 1994 aerial photographs at six study areas revealed that although the overall cover of riparian vegetation at most study sites is static or increasing, the distribution of vegetation is shifting within sites. Sandbar riparian and wetland vegetation is concentrating between the 566 and 900 m³/s stages and previously established S. exigua in high bar locations is dying back.
- 3) Axis 1 DECORANA species scores on long-term quadrats in the lower riparian zone were lower in 1993 relative to 1992 scores, reflecting a gradual shift during interim flows towards sand bar species that are more drought tolerant.
- 4) The "new dry" zone, lying between the interim flows maximum flow stage (566 m³/s stage) and the "normal operations" stage (ca. 900 m³/s stage), was quickly colonized by riparian plant species, particularly herbs, clonal phreatophytes and perennial grasses. Higher stem density but lower species diversity occurred on fine-grained (silty fine sand) substrata, as compared to cobble and boulder substrata.

Mapping and GIS

- 1) Data have been compiled in ASCII and Lotus 123 electronic formats and hard copy formats, and archived at the U.S. Bureau of Reclamation Glen Canyon Environmental Studies Office in Flagstaff, AZ, which is the designated Scientific Information Management site for river corridor data. These data are available for NPS or NBS data storage and maintenance upon request.
- 2) GIS related mapping of five long-term study areas was completed and has been contributed to the GCES GIS. We used GIS overlay analyses and found support for the dynamic equilibrium and intermediate disturbance models in explaining plant diversity on these sites.

Monitoring, Research and Management Recommendations

Continued monitoring of interim flows effects on fluvial marshes and other riparian vegetation is important because streamside vegetation is a diverse, biologically productive habitat that is subject to inundation by dam discharges and erratic tributary floods. The effects of interim flows on riparian vegetation will be cumulative, with both rapid and more gradual changes in composition and distribution. For example, short-term responses of fluvial marsh vegetation to interim flows may be obscured by exceptionally high precipitation. Therefore, monitoring of fluvial marshes and other new high water zone habitats should be consistent during interim flows, and should be included in long-term monitoring.

Vegetation monitoring in this system can be refined to some extent. We recommend that fluvial marsh transects be monitored only once per year (rather than twice per year), preferably in September or October. The springtime censuses of these study sites is presently compromised by incomplete vegetation development, particularly of Phragmites australis and Typha spp. which leaf out rather slowly. Likewise, we recommend that censusing of long-term quadrats should be conducted once per year in the autumn months, at the end of the growing season. Mapping from aerial photographs may be a useful monitoring approach, but polygon identification and description are likely to vary greatly between technicians, thereby compromising the accuracy and the utility of interpretation.

We recommend that the National Park Service consistently monitor non-native plant invasions, and adopt a rigorous program to limit non-native plant species establishment in this system. Non-native plant species are likely to have long-lasting deleterious impacts on river and tributary ecosystems. Where possible, site specific control measures may be appropriate for clonal non-native species, such as Alhagi camelorum. Lastly, we recommend that unanticipated flow events (unusual high or prolonged low dam releases or exceptional tributary floods) should be investigated as soon afterwards as possible.

CHAPTER VI

CONCLUSIONS AND MANAGEMENT CONSIDERATIONS

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ITEM	FY92		FY93		FY94		TOTAL	
	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL	ESTIMATE	ACTUAL
SALARY								
Co-PI Ayers	\$6700	-0-	\$11,300	\$6420	\$6700	-0-	\$24,700	\$6420
Crew leader	\$8000	\$877	\$30,000	\$23,735	\$20,000	\$24,278	\$58,000	\$48,890
Photo Analyst	\$4000	-0-	\$16,000	\$18,461	-0-	-0-	\$20,000	\$18,461
Field Crew	\$17,200	\$15,165	\$39,200	\$56,440	\$19,100	\$20,659	\$75,500	\$92,264
total ERE's		\$1482		\$16,455		\$8424		\$26,361
subtotal	\$38,270	\$17,524	\$102,150	\$121,511	\$47,990	\$53,361	\$188,340	\$192,396
TRAVEL	\$1000	\$335	\$1700	\$1764	\$1500	\$987	\$4,200	\$3,086
EQUIPMENT	\$4000	-0-	\$1040	\$5296	\$500	-0-	\$5,540	\$5,296
SUPPLIES	\$5000	\$922	\$6500	\$4176	\$4530	\$6318	\$16,530	\$11,416
SOIL ANALYSES	\$1500	-0-	\$3000	-0-	-0-	\$2903	\$4,500	\$2,903
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$49,770	\$18,925	\$114,390	\$132,602	\$54,520	\$63,570	\$218,680	\$215,097
TOTAL INDIRECT (20% NAU)	\$9950	\$3969	\$22,880	\$27,356	\$10,090	\$11,662	\$43,730	\$42,987
TOTAL	\$59,720	\$22,894	\$137,270	\$159,958	\$65,420	\$75,232	\$262,410	*\$258,084

*The remaining balance of \$4,326 will be spent on salary and supplies (\$3,615) and indirect costs (\$711). We anticipate completion of the grant by 31 January 1995.

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT -- BIO 35J5

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SALARY						
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Benefits	\$208	\$149	\$208	\$443	\$416	\$592
Total	\$2,833	\$1,709	\$2,833	\$5,118	\$5,666	\$6,827
FIELD SUPPLIES						
	\$500	\$203	\$500	-0-	\$1,000	\$203
TOTAL DIRECT COSTS	\$3,333	\$1,912	\$3,333	\$5,118	\$6,666	\$7,030
TOTAL INDIRECT (20% NAU)	\$667	\$382	\$667	\$285	\$1,334	\$667
TOTAL	\$4,000	\$2,294	\$4,000	\$5,403	\$8000	\$7,697*

* A remainder of \$302.31 was left unspent as of 1 Oct 1994.

ACCOUNT BIO 35J3 FROM 7/1/92-10/10/94

ACCOUNT RECAP

CATEGORY	Budget	Amount Encum	Amount Expended	Encum + Expenditures	Available Balances	% USED
Salaries - Full Time			73,770.82	73,770.82		
Salaries - Occasional			84,247.42	84,247.42		
Salaries - Student Wage			8,016.53	8,016.53		
TOTAL SALARIES	178,200.00	0.0	166,034.77	166,034.77	12,165.23	93%
TOTAL ERE	10,210.00	0.00	26,361.30	26,361.30	(16,151.30)	258%
OPERATIONS	21,570.00	0.00	16,712.26	16,712.26	4,857.74	77%
TRAVEL	4,200.00	0.00	3,085.76	3,085.76	1,114.24	73%
ANALYSES	4,500.00	0.00	2,902.50	2,902.50	1,597.50	65%
TOTALS	218,680.00	0.00	215,096.59	215,096.59	3,583.41	98%
INDIRECT	43,730.00	710.73	42,987.24	43,697.97	32.03	100%

GLEN CANYON INTERIM FLOWS - BIO 35J3

10/13/94

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7322/20	11/06	Fisher	RX 003				*387.45	top loading balance
7322/20	09/01	Lisa Kearsley	PD 001				108.63	food for river trip
7322/20	09/03	Amy Holm	PD 002				80.85	first aid supplies,
	09/23	Michael Kearsley	PD 003				159.62	film, food, bags, ha
7322/20	10/13	Liquid Air	PD 004				10.75	nitrogen
7322/20	10/19	Amy Holm	PD 005				141.27	garbage bags, pruner
7322/20	10/23	Liquid Air	PD 006				10.75	nitrogen
7322/20	11/04	Lisa Kearsley	PD 007				79.92	food, camera battery
7322/20	11/16	Michael Kearsley	PD 008				51.35	survey flags, marker
7351/20	11/04	Office Copy Machine					0.95	
7322/20	12/21	Forestry Suppliers	RX 004	BS0000928			6.50	sling psychrometers
7322/20	01/23	IDB/Bilby					420.00	ignition testing
7322/20	12/08	Larry Stevens	PD 009				106.60	
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7322/20	02/22	Larry Stevens	PD 011				283.54	
	02/28	Office Copy Machine					1.25	
7320/20	03/08	Microcomputer Power	PD 012				293.64	Canoco software
7350/20	04/08	Photo Outfitter	PD 013				8.88	fixer
	04/26	Michael Kearsley	PD 014				206.18	computer cases, film
7320/20	04/13	Bookstore					252.24	Lotus, Systat
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7351/20	03/02	Office Copy Machine					0.60	
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	05/24	Michael Kearsley	PD 016				68.38	survey flags, rulers
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7331/30	06/17	Mark Easter	PD 018				20.00	fabricate instrument
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	06/30	MBRS FAX charges					3.50	
7322/20	07/26	VWR	PD 001				412.63	soil sieves
7350/20	07/28	Michael Kearsley	PD 002				81.13	film, processing
	07/31	Dean's Copy Machine					0.21	
7320/10	08/16	AST Research (GRID)	PD 004				79.00	communication utilit
7330/20	08/16	Tina Ayers	PD 003				104.32	water line parts
7351/20	08/14	Office Copy Machine					2.05	
	09/15	Michael Kearsley	PD 005				311.30	photocopying, mylar,
	10/13	VWR	PD 006				90.59	soil sieve
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	10/07	Department FAX charges					2.00	
	10/04	Office Copy Machine					1.85	
	11/19	Michael Kearsley	PD 007				179.19	ruler, batteries, el
	12/09	IX 4BIO1117023					52.88	stockroom supplies
	11/03	Office Copy Machine					9.00	
	12/03	University Stores - MS 8090					42.00	toner cartridge
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	01/25	JV 4DJC0000160					84.80	to close BIO 35K3
7351/20	02/16	Michael Kearsley	PD 008				33.28	photocopies

7310/10	03/07	Bookstore	RX	003	CS0002552	43.59	bond paper, knife
7322/20	03/07	Herbarium Supply Co.	PD	011		654.93	USC genus
7331/30	03/09	Forestry Suppliers	RX	004	CS0002559	55.27	compass repair
7322/20	03/09	Forestry Suppliers	PD	012		584.38	compass, clinometer,
7350/20	03/22	Photo Outfitter				491.44	camera, zoom lens
7351/20	12/09	Office Copy Machine				0.40	
7351/20	01/06	Office Copy Machine				0.15	
7310/80	04/04	Allen Precision Equipment	RX	005	BK0002311	1422.74	radios, batteries, c
7350/20	04/04	Photo Outfitter	PD	013		487.23	camera, zoom lens
7350/20	04/05	Michael Kearsley	PD	014		33.02	UV filters
7322/10	04/15	Missouri Botanical Garden	PD	015		27.00	herbarium handbook
7322/20	05/06	Michael Kearsley	PD	016		191.29	survey flags, radio
7350/20	05/24	Michael Kearsley	PD	017		61.77	full color contact s
7351/20	04/14	Office Copy Machine				3.40	Jan - March
7355/20	04/11	RRF 1576				5.25	postage
7351/20	05/13	Office Copy Machine				11.50	
7340/20	06/08	IV 4BIO4840053				1.00	May FAX
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7351/20	07/05	Office Copy Machine				2.45	June
7351/20	09/07	Office Copy Machine				0.85	May
7350/20	07/25	Michael Kearsley	PD	001		21.30	film processing
	08/16	Michael Kearsley	PD	002		182.61	color copies, film p
7322/20	09/16	Michael Kearsley	PD	003		73.90	field supplies
7322/20	09/19	Michael Kearsley	PD	004		86.23	veg. trip supplies

Operations Totals

0.00 0.00 0.00 11,415.78

Obj Code	Date	Vendor	RX/PD 3BIO35J3#	PC 93#	Pre-Documented	Amount Encumbered	Amount Expended	Explanation
	09/14	Tina Ayers	TAO	01			335.00	
	03/01	Robert Neber	TAO	02			259.10	
	03/19	Robert Neber	TAI	01			63.75	
	04/23	Michael Kearsley	TAI	02			391.89	
	07/31	Diana Kimberling					292.60	
	07/31	Douglas Bechtel	TAO	04			502.60	
	08/03	Michael Kearsley	TAO	03			252.25	
	12/07	Michael Kearsley	TAI	01			75.00	
	08/06	Michael Kearsley	TAO	01	0.00		913.57	

Travel Totals

0.00 0.00 0.00 3,085.76

Obj Code	Date	Vendor	RX/PD	PC	Documented	Pre-Encumbered	Amount Encumbered	Amount Expended	Explanation
7830/20	04/13	Bookstore	3BIO35J3#	93#				2010.56	Zenith 325L portable

7830/20	04/13	Grid Systems Corp	RX 005	LW0002483				3285.92	pen computer
Equipment Totals					0.00	0.00	0.00	5,296.48	

Obj Code	Date	Vendor	RX/PD	PC	Documented	Pre-Encumbered	Amount Encumbered	Amount Expended	Explanation
7510/90	12/08	IAS Laboratories	RX 001	CS0002219				1237.50	soil sample analysis
7510/90	05/09	IAS Laboratories	RX 006	CS0002856				1665.00	soil sample analysis
Analyses Totals					0.00	0.00	0.00	2,902.50	

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***** EXPENSE BUDGET SUMMARY *****

OBJT/SUB	SUB-OBJT NAME	INCEPTION TO DATE BUDGET	ACTUAL CURRENT MONTH	ACTUAL YEAR-TO-DATE	ACTUAL INCEPTION TO DATE	ENCUMBRANCE PRE-ENCUMBRANCE	UNCOMMITTED BUDGET BALANCE
7111	TOTAL OBJT 7111	6,305.00 6,305.00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	6,305.00 6,305.00 *
7124 99	M-OCC (CONY)	.00	.00	.00	6,235.11	.00	6,235.11CR
	TOTAL OBJT 7124	.00 *	.00 *	.00 *	6,235.11 *	.00 *	6,235.11CR*
7200	TOTAL OBJT 7200	528.00 528.00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	528.00 528.00 *
7210 99	FICA -(CONY)	.00	.00	.00	476.97	.00	476.97CR
	TOTAL OBJT 7210	.00 *	.00 *	.00 *	476.97 *	.00 *	476.97CR*
7230 99	WORK/CMP-CNY	.00	.00	.00	17.49	.00	17.49CR
	TOTAL OBJT 7230	.00 *	.00 *	.00 *	17.49 *	.00 *	17.49CR*
7280 99	UNEMPL - CNY	.00	.00	.00	98.03	.00	98.03CR
	TOTAL OBJT 7280	.00 *	.00 *	.00 *	98.03 *	.00 *	98.03CR*
	TOTAL PERSONAL SVCS	6,833.00 **	.00 **	.00 **	6,827.60 **	.00 **	5.40 **
7300	TOTAL OBJT 7300	500.00 500.00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	500.00 500.00 *
7322 20	LAB SUPPLIES	.00	.00	.00	203.09	.00	203.09CR
	TOTAL OBJT 7322	.00 *	.00 *	.00 *	203.09 *	.00 *	203.09CR*
7999	TOTAL OBJT 7999	667.00 667.00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 .00 *	.00 667.00 *	.00 .00 *	667.00 667.00CR *
7999 10	INDR CST AUT	.00	.00	.00	667.00	.00	667.00CR
	TOTAL OBJT 7999	667.00 *	.00 *	.00 *	667.00 *	.00 *	.00 *
	TOTAL NON-PRSNL SVCS	1,167.00 **	.00 **	.00 **	870.09 **	.00 **	296.91 **
	TOTAL EXPENSES	8,000.00	.00	.00	7,697.69	.00	302.31

***** REVENUE BUDGET SUMMARY *****

RSRC/SUB	SUB-RSRC NAME	INCEPTION TO DATE BUDGET	REVENUE CURRENT MONTH	REVENUE YTD	REVENUE INCEPTION TO DATE	REVENUE BUDGET BALANCE
5330		8,000.00	.00	25,400.00	25,400.00	8,000.00
5330 40	DOA	.00	.00	25,400.00	25,400.00	25,400.00
5330 50	OTHER FED	.00	.00	25,400.00CR	17,702.31CR	17,702.31CR
	TOTAL REVENUE	8,000.00	.00	.00	7,697.69	302.31

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APPENDIX A

**PLANT SPECIES COLLECTED
IN THE GRAND CANYON, ARIZONA**

PRELIMINARY CHECKLIST OF PLANTS FROM THE COLORADO RIVER CORRIDOR
GRAND CANYON NATIONAL PARK

*Nomenclature follows that of *A Catalogue of the Flora of Arizona* by J. Harry Lehr

**Numbers following species refer to localities in river miles from Lee's Ferry

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Verbeneaceae

bracteata Lag. & Rodr. 5.7

Viscaceae

Phoradendron *sp.* 180.3

Vitaceae

Parthenocissus *inserta* (Kerner) A. S. Hitchc. 144.8
Vitis *arizonica* Engelm. 143.5, 157, 156.8

Zannichelliaceae

Zanichellia *palustris* L. 52
Aster *coerulescens* DC. 133.5, 51.2, 132, 103

Zygophyllaceae

Kallstroemia

californica (Wats.) Vail 71.2, 68.5

Larrea

tridentata (DC.) Cov. 220, 171.5

APPENDIX B

**PLANT SPECIES, IDENTIFYING NUMBERS,
AND LIFE HISTORY GROUP DESIGNATIONS FOR SPECIES
USED IN OUR VEGETATION ANALYSES**

Appendix B: Plant species, identifying numbers and life history groups used in wetland and riparian vegetation descriptions. Groups include: 1) clonal wet marsh; 2) herbaceous non-clonal wet marsh; 3) bar platform; 4) dry marsh; 5) upper alluvial terrace; 6) rocky channel margin; and 7) xeric (desert) species.

SPECIES	IDNO	GROUP	SPECIES	IDNO	GROUP
Abronia elliptica	201	4	Eragrostis spp.	30	3
Acacia greggii	1	7	Eriogonum corymbosum	604	7
Acer negundo	203	5	Eriogonum inflatum	32	7
Acourtia wrightii	203	6	Eriogonum deflexum	33	7
Agropyron spp. undet.	209	4	Eriogonum spp. undet.	605	7
Agrostis spp.	2	1	Erigeron divergens	31	3
Agave utahensis	212	7	Erigeron lobatus	317	6
Alhagi camelorum	3	3	Erigeron spp. undet.	313	-
Amaranthaceae undet.	142	2	Erioneuron pulchellum	319	7
Ambrosia spp.	4	2	Euphorbia spp.	124	7
Andropogon glomeratus	76	6	Fallugia paradoxa	324	5
Apocynum cannabinum	222	3	Annual grass spp. undet.	72	3
Artemisia dracunculus	5	3	Gaillardia pinnatifida	329	6
Artemisia ludoviciana	6	6	Gallium stellatum	328	7
Aristida purpurea	227	7	Gnaphalium chilense	33	3
Aristida sp. undet.	96	7	Perennial grass undet.	71	3
Aster spinosus	7	3	Gutierrezia spp.	34	7
Aster subulatus	8	1	Isocoma acredenius	129	3
Astragalus spp.	237	3	Heliotropium convolvulaceum	339	7
Atriplex canescens	238	5	Heliotropium curassavicum	341	7
Baccharis emoryi	9	4	Hillaria rigida	484	7
Baccharis sarothroides	10	6	Hordeum jubatum	35	3
Baccharis sergiloides	244	6	Juncus balticus	37	3
Baccharis salicifolia	11	3	Juncus mexicanus	349	1
Baccharis spp. undet.	131	3	Juncus spp. undet.	39	4
Bebbia juncea	248	6	Juncus tenuis	351	1
Bidens frondosa	119	2	Juncus nevadensis	606	1
Bothriochloa spp.	93	6	Juncus torreyana	40	1
Bouteloua spp.	252	7	Lepidium montanum	113	6
Brickellia atractyloides	253	6	Lepidium fremontii	41	5
Brickellia californica	114	6	Lepidium spp. undet.	361	-
Brickellia longifolia	256	6	Machaeranthera spp.	367	7
Bromus rigidus	259	3	Mammillariaia tetrancistra	368	7
Bromus rubens	12	3	Mentha arvensis	42	2
Bromus tectorum	13	7	Melilotus albus	97	2
Bromus wildenowii	14	2	Melilotus officinale	87	2
Bromus spp. undet.	258	3	Melilotus spp. undet.	43	2
Camissonia spp.	263	6	Medicago sativa	44	2
Carex aquatilis	17	1	Mentzelia albicaulis	374	6
Castilleja spp.	16	6	Muhlenbergia asperifolia	45	4
Celtis reticulata	601	5	Muhlenbergia spp. undet.	383	-
Centaurium exaltum	18	2	Nasturtium spp.	108	2
Cercium spp.	19	6	Nicotianan trigonophyllum	389	6
Corispermum nitidum	21	4	Nolina microcarpa	607	6
Chrysothamnus nauseosus	20	4	Oenothera hookeri	46	3
Conyza canadensis	22	2	Oenothera pallida	47	3
Cryptantha barbigeria	602	7	Onagraceae undet.	396	-
Cryptantha spp.	603	7	Opuntia basilaris	397	7
Cynodon dactylon	23	2	Opuntia spp. undet.	401	7
Datura wrightii	287	6	Opuntia erinacea	399	7
Dicoria brandegei	24	4	Oryzopsis hymenoides	118	5
Dyssodia pentachaeta	294	7	Orthocarpus lutea	403	3
Dichanthelium lanuginosum	291	6	Panicum capillare	48	3
Echinochloa crus-galli	25	1	Paspalum dilatatum	127	1
Echinocereus triglochidiatus	298	7	Phragmites australis	49	1
Elymus canadensis	26	4	Plantago lanceolata	50	4
Encelia farinosa	301	7	Plantago major	51	4
Encelia frutescens	300	7	Poa spp.	120	-
Ephedra torreyana	305	7	Porophyllum gracile	417	6
Epilobium adenocaulon	27	3	Polygonum spp.	52	2
Equisetum arvense	28	1	Polypogon monspeliensis	53	4
Equisetum laevigatus x hyemale	29	4	Prosopis glandulosa	95	5

Appendix B (Continued)

SPECIES	IDNO	GROUP
Ranunculus spp.	126	2
Sarcostemma cynanchoides	427	6
Salix exigua	54	4
Salix gooddingii	55	3
Salsola iberica	56	3
Schizachyrium scoparium	99	6
Streptanthella spp. undet.	435	5
Scirpus spp. undet.	57	1
Scirpus americanus	111	1
Scirpus marinus	142	1
Scirpus pungens	58	1
Scirpus validus	107	1
Sonchus asper/Lactuca serriola	59	2
Solanum spp. undet.	505	6
Solidago canadensis	60	6
Solidago occidentalis	389	4
Solidago spp. undet.	441	-
Sphaeralcea spp. undet.	448	7
Sorghum halepense	608	3
Sporobolus contractus	61	3
Sporobolus cryptandrus	62	3
Sporobolus flexuosus	63	3
Sporobolus giganteus	447	3
Sporobolus spp. undet.	91	3
Stipa sp.	101	7
Stanleya pinnata	454	5
Stephanomeria spp. undet.	456	6
Taraxacum officinale	64	4
Tamarix pentandra=ramosissima	65	3
Tessaria sericea	66	3
Thamnosma montanum	461	7
Tragopogon dubius	67	3
Typha spp.	68	1
Tridens muticus	463	7
Chenopodiaceae undet.	69	2
Dicotyledon undet.	70	-
Annual grass undet.	72	-
Grass undet.	73	-
Veronica spp.	74	1
Vulpia spp.	609	5
Xanthium strumarium	75	3
Elymus cinereus	610	4
Hedeoma oblongifolium	611	7
Krameria parvifolia	612	7
Machaeranthera pinnatifida	613	7
Aster sp.	614	5
Solidago missouriensis	615	3
Senecio multilobatus	616	7
Boerhavia wrightii	617	6

APPENDIX C

MARSH PLOTS DATA SUMMARY

1991 TO 1993

APPENDIX C

Species mean basal area/m² (1 sd, number of plots), and total basal area on monitoring transects at eight marshes in the Colorado River corridor in the Grand Canyon in the autumn of 1991, 1992 and 1993. Identifying numbers (below) are used for species listed in this appendix and in Appendix B.

KEY: MARSH PLANT SPECIES NAMES AND IDENTIFYING NUMBERS

NO. SPECIES

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1	<i>Acacia greggii</i>	31	<i>Erigeron</i> spp.
2	<i>Agrostis</i> spp.	32	<i>Eriogonum deflexum</i>
3	<i>Alhagi camelorum</i>	33	<i>Gnaphalium chilense</i>
4	<i>Ambrosia</i> spp.	34	<i>Gutierrezia</i> spp.
5	<i>Artemesia dracunculus</i>	35	<i>Hordeum jubatum</i>
6	<i>Artemesia ludoviciana</i>	36	<i>Juncus articulata</i>
7	<i>Aster spinosus</i>	37	<i>Juncus balticus</i>
8	<i>Aster subulatus</i>	38	<i>Juncus encifolius</i>
9	<i>Baccharis emoryi</i>	39	<i>Juncus</i> spp.
10	<i>Baccharis sarothroides</i>	40	<i>Juncus torreyana</i>
11	<i>Baccharis salicifolia</i>	41	<i>Lepidium latifolium</i>
12	<i>Bromus rubens</i>	42	<i>Mentha arvensis</i>
13	<i>Bromus tectorum</i>	43	Undet. <i>Melilotus</i> spp.
14	<i>Bromus wildenowii</i>	44	<i>Medicago sativa</i>
15	<i>Centaurium calycosum</i>	45	<i>Muhlenbergia asperifolia</i>
16	<i>Castilleja</i> spp.	46	<i>Oenothera hookeri</i>
17	<i>Carex aquatilis</i>	47	<i>Oenothera pallida</i>
18	<i>Centaurium exaltum</i>	48	<i>Panicum capillare</i>
19	<i>Cersium</i> spp.	49	<i>Phragmites australis</i>
20	<i>Chrysothamnus nauseosus</i>	50	<i>Plantago lanceolata</i>
21	<i>Corispermum nitidum</i>	51	<i>Plantago major</i>
22	<i>Conyza canadensis</i>	52	Undet. <i>Polygonum</i> spp.
23	<i>Cynodon dactylon</i>	53	<i>Polypogon monspeliensis</i>
24	<i>Dicoria brandegii</i>	54	<i>Salix exigua</i>
25	<i>Echinochloa crus-galli</i>	55	<i>Salix gooddingii</i>
26	<i>Elymus canadensis</i>	56	<i>Salsola iberica</i>
27	<i>Epilobium adenocaulon</i>	57	<i>Scirpus</i> spp.
28	<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	58	<i>Scirpus pungens</i>
29	<i>Equisetum laevigatum</i> x <i>hymale</i>	59	<i>Sonchus asper</i> + <i>Lactuca serriola</i>
30	<i>Eragrostis</i> spp.	60	<i>Solidago canadensis</i>

APPENDIX 2 KEY (Continued)

NO.	SPECIES	NO.	SPECIES
61	<i>Sporobolus contractus</i>	95	<i>Prosopis glandulosa</i>
62	<i>Sporobolus cryptandrus</i>	97	<i>Melilotus albus</i>
63	<i>Sporobolus flexuosus</i>	99	<i>Schizachyrium scoparium</i>
64	<i>Taraxacum officinale</i>	101	<i>Stipa speciosa</i>
65	<i>Tamarix ramosissima</i>	107	<i>Scirpus validus</i>
66	<i>Tessaria sericea</i>	108	Undet. <i>Nasturtium</i> spp.
67	<i>Tragopogon dubius</i>	111	<i>Scirpus americana</i>
68	<i>Typha</i> spp.	113	<i>Lepidium montanum</i>
69	Undet. <i>Chenopodiaceae</i>	114	<i>Bromus inermis</i>
70	Undet. dicotyledon	118	<i>Oryzopsis hymenoides</i>
71	Undet. perennial grass	119	<i>Bidens frondosa</i>
72	Undet. annual grass	121	Undet. <i>Poa</i> spp.
73	Undet. grass	126	Undet. <i>Ranunculus</i> spp.
74	<i>Veronica anagallis-aquatica</i>	127	<i>Paspalum dilatatum</i>
75	<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	129	<i>Isocoma acredenius</i>
76	<i>Andropogon glomeratus</i>	131	Undet. <i>Baccharis</i> sp.
87	<i>Melilotus albus</i>	141	Undet. <i>Amaranthaceae</i>
89	<i>Solidago occidentalis</i>	142	<i>Scirpus marinus</i>
93	<i>Bothriochloa</i> spp.		
96	Undet. <i>Aristida</i> spp.		

MILE SIDE	SPP	1991			1992			1993				
		MEANBA	sd	n	SUMBA	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	SUMBA
43L	73	5.521	(5.100,34)	187.71	0.160	(-- , 1)	0.160	(-- , 1)	---	(--- , -)	---	---
43L	74	0.18	(0.195, 6)	1.08	0.270	(-- , 1)	0.270	(-- , 1)	0.063	(--- , 1)	0.063	0.063
43L	89	0	(--- , 0)	0	4.030	(2.791, 4)	16.120	(1.689, 6)	0.886	(1.689, 6)	5.317	5.317
43L	93	0	(--- , 0)	0	10.954	(15.487, 16)	175.270	(25.748, 11)	18.883	(25.748, 11)	207.713	207.713
43L	95	0	(--- , 0)	0	0.010	(-- , 1)	0.010	(-- , 1)	---	(--- , -)	---	---
43L	96	0	(--- , 0)	0	15.000	(-- , 1)	15.000	(-- , 1)	---	(--- , -)	---	---
43L	99	0	(--- , 0)	0	0.723	(0.967, 3)	2.170	(2.746, 3)	3.181	(2.746, 3)	9.543	9.543
43L	101	0	(--- , 0)	0	0.040	(-- , 1)	0.040	(-- , 1)	---	(--- , -)	---	---
43L	102	0	(--- , 0)	0	0.200	(0.099, 2)	0.400	(0.400, 2)	---	(--- , -)	---	---
43L	107	0	(--- , 0)	0	3.325	(2.524, 2)	6.650	(2.524, 2)	---	(--- , -)	---	---
43L	123	0	(--- , 0)	0	0	(--- , 0)	0	(--- , 0)	0.821	(1.553, 4)	3.283	3.283
43L	124	0	(--- , 0)	0	0	(--- , 0)	0	(--- , 0)	0.008	(--- , 1)	0.008	0.008

MILE SIDE	SPP	1991			1992			1993			
		MEANBA	sd	n	SUMBA	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	SUMBA
51L 1		0	(	0)	0	(	0)	113.100	(	1)	113.100
51L 2		0	(	0)	1.835	(	7)	14.285	(	12)	171.420
51L 4		0	(	0)	0.071	(	1)	0.125	(	2)	0.250
51L 8		0	(	0)	0.330	(	8)	2.520	(	3)	7.560
51L 9		9.62	(	9.62	0.126	(	1)	1.915	(	2)	3.830
51L 11		9.82	(	19.64	0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0
51L 12		0	(	0)	0.196	(	1)	0	(	0)	0
51L 13		0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0.130	(	2)	0.260
51L 14		2.978	(	26.8	2.129	(	8)	20.204	(	9)	181.840
51L 15		0.015	(	0.03	0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0
51L 17		11.5	(	34.5	0.459	(	4)	0	(	0)	0
51L 21		0	(	0)	0.024	(	1)	0.020	(	1)	0.020
51L 22		0.802	(	4.81	0.216	(	3)	0.400	(	9)	3.60
51L 25		0	(	0)	0.458	(	4)	2.070	(	1)	2.070
51L 26		1	(	1)	2.774	(	5)	0	(	0)	0
51L 27		0.01	(	0.01	0.283	(	1)	0.093	(	9)	0.840
51L 28		0	(	0)	0.060	(	3)	0.191	(	9)	1.720
51L 29		1.358	(	23.08	1.495	(	23)	3.491	(	19)	66.340
51L 30		0	(	0)	4.697	(	11)	0	(	0)	0
51L 31		0	(	0)	0.353	(	1)	44.996	(	8)	359.970
51L 32		0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0
51L 33		1.222	(	6.11	0.834	(	11)	1.106	(	18)	19.920
51L 34		0.05	(	0.05	0.503	(	1)	0.600	(	1)	0.60
51L 35		0.6	(	1.2	8.427	(	1)	0	(	0)	0
51L 36		0	(	0)	0.421	(	5)	0.930	(	2)	1.860
51L 37		7.005	(	14.01	1.335	(	2)	0.850	(	1)	0.850
51L 38		4.55	(	9.1	0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0
51L 39		2.1	(	2.1	0.263	(	2)	2.735	(	4)	10.940
51L 40		1.96	(	9.8	4.948	(	1)	3.530	(	1)	3.530
51L 41		0	(	0)	0.326	(	3)	0.060	(	1)	0.060
51L 43		0.253	(	0.76	0.075	(	2)	0.266	(	3)	0.80
51L 45		1.497	(	4.49	2.277	(	9)	0.343	(	10)	3.430
51L 48		0	(	0)	0	(	0)	1.542	(	4)	6.170
51L 49		0.39	(	0.39	4.241	(	1)	0	(	0)	0
51L 50		2.75	(	5.5	0.035	(	2)	2.110	(	1)	2.110
51L 51		2.634	(	39.51	0.364	(	12)	3.228	(	13)	41.970
51L 52		1.114	(	11.14	0.016	(	1)	0	(	0)	0
51L 53		1.01	(	11.11	0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0
51L 54		7.283	(	254.91	8.489	(	25)	12.543	(	30)	376.30
51L 56		0.155	(	0.31	0	(	0)	0.020	(	1)	0.020
51L 59		0.724	(	6.52	0.195	(	5)	2.573	(	13)	33.450
51L 62		0	(	0)	60.429	(	1)	18.651	(	6)	111.910
51L 64		1.34	(	4.02	0	(	0)	0	(	0)	0
51L 65		17.965	(	107.79	24.715	(	2)	14.066	(	5)	70.330
51L 66		4.045	(	8.09	2.816	(	2)	3.235	(	2)	6.470
51L 68		5.3	(	5.3	4.987	(	1)	8.070	(	1)	8.070
51L 70		0.01	(	0.02	0	(	0)	5.675	(	14)	79.450
51L 71		0.4	(	0.4	0	(	0)	5.500	(	2)	110

MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
51L 72	0	(	0	3.658	(	6)	11.597	(	3)
51L 73	3.568	(	103.48	0	(	0)	0	(	0)
51L 74	1.273	(	10.18	0	(	0)	0.030	(	1)
51L 89	0	(	0	0.196	(	1)	0	(	0)
51L 95	0	(	0	0.750	(	2)	0	(	0)
51L 107	0	(	0	5.655	(	1)	6.775	(	2)
51L 108	0	(	0	0.675	(	2)	1.025	(	4)
51L 113	0	(	0	0	(	0)	0.165	(	4)
51L 114	0	(	0	0	(	0)	0.778	(	5)
51L 118	0	(	0	0	(	0)	9.620	(	1)
51L 119	0	(	0	0.024	(	1)	0.250	(	1)
51L 121	0	(	0	0	(	0)	44.770	(	1)
51L 123	0	(	0	0.039	(	4)	0.193	(	3)
51L 124	0	(	0	0	(	0)	0.010	(	1)
51L 126	0	(	0	0	(	0)	0.640	(	1)



MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
56R 2	3.094	(4.228, 9)	27.85	1.016	(1.548, 17)	17.270	0.341	(0.548, 9)	3.073
56R 6	0.13	(---, 1)	0.13	0	(---, 0)	0	0.016	(---, 1)	0.016
56R 8	0.556	(0.560, 7)	3.89	0.321	(0.519, 28)	90.000	0.280	(0.382, 5)	1.402
56R 9	7.256	(9.832, 5)	36.28	6.556	(12.009, 7)	45.890	6.002	(13.611, 6)	36.011
56R 11	1.3	(---, 1)	1.3	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 12	0.79	(---, 1)	0.79	0.160	(---, 1)	0.160	0.147	(---, 1)	0.147
56R 13	0	(---, 1)	0	0.040	(---, 1)	0.040	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 14	3.257	(1.287, 3)	9.77	8.523	(12.422, 3)	25.570	0.338	(0.344, 2)	0.675
56R 15	0.3	(0.141, 2)	0.6	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 17	1.39	(1.526, 3)	4.17	1.767	(3.108, 4)	7.070	0.308	(0.119, 3)	2.303
56R 18	0.267	(0.307, 11)	2.94	0.058	(0.090, 6)	0.350	0.102	(---, 1)	0.102
56R 19	0.2	(---, 1)	0.2	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 20	0.03	(---, 1)	0.03	1.770	(---, 1)	1.770	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 21	0.02	(0.014, 2)	0.04	0.025	(0.007, 2)	0.050	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 22	1.167	(1.492, 9)	10.5	0.332	(0.541, 6)	1.990	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 24	0.23	(---, 1)	0.23	0.080	(---, 1)	0.080	0.437	(0.616, 15)	6.550
56R 26	1.6	(---, 1)	1.6	63.620	(---, 1)	63.620	0.196	(---, 1)	0.196
56R 27	0.207	(0.113, 7)	1.45	0.091	(0.072, 8)	0.730	0.314	(---, 1)	0.314
56R 28	1.757	(3.188, 10)	17.57	0.520	(0.978, 6)	3.120	0.039	(---, 1)	0.039
56R 29	4.55	(5.387, 9)	40.95	4.897	(8.349, 20)	97.930	2.867	(3.943, 2)	5.733
56R 31	4.62	(4.870, 7)	32.34	0.310	(0.282, 3)	0.930	4.899	(1.219, 18)	88.178
56R 33	2.573	(5.596, 27)	69.48	4.470	(10.156, 30)	134.110	2.450	(5.271, 14)	34.306
56R 35	0.4	(0.2, 3)	1.2	2.690	(0.406, 3)	8.070	0.291	(---, 1)	0.291
56R 36	14.233	(13.652, 3)	42.7	0	(---, 0)	0	1.767	(---, 1)	1.767
56R 37	0	(---, 0)	0	7.030	(7.835, 2)	14.060	0.581	(0.200, 2)	1.162
56R 38	12.18	(12.687, 4)	48.72	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 39	9.45	(12.536, 4)	37.8	4.158	(4.660, 4)	16.630	0.491	(0.028, 2)	0.982
56R 40	1.987	(1.414, 3)	5.96	1.610	(1.332, 3)	4.830	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 41	2.705	(1.223, 2)	5.41	0.110	(0.113, 2)	0.220	0.456	(---, 1)	0.456
56R 42	0.14	(---, 1)	0.14	0.330	(0.283, 2)	0.660	0.378	(---, 1)	0.378
56R 43	0.15	(0.231, 11)	1.65	0.937	(1.519, 15)	14.050	3.345	(1.689, 19)	63.554
56R 44	0	(---, 0)	0	0.020	(---, 1)	0.020	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 45	1.014	(1.359, 9)	9.13	2.085	(2.745, 20)	41.690	3.198	(5.316, 18)	57.562
56R 46	0.39	(---, 1)	0.39	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 48	0	(---, 0)	0	0.630	(0.042, 2)	1.260	3.953	(6.626, 10)	39.531
56R 49	5.327	(8.453, 3)	15.98	12.053	(13.120, 4)	48.210	11.918	(15.147, 6)	71.511
56R 50	1.17	(---, 1)	1.17	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	3.664	(3.271, 2)	7.328
56R 51	0.602	(0.678, 12)	7.22	1.093	(1.868, 21)	22.950	0.594	(1.599, 14)	8.313
56R 52	3.585	(2.489, 12)	43.02	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 53	1.051	(2.032, 8)	8.41	0.220	(---, 1)	0.220	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 54	11.223	(30.494, 23)	258.13	22.241	(80.306, 31)	689.470	11.260	(32.037, 19)	213.937
56R 56	0.02	(---, 1)	0.02	0.070	(---, 1)	0.070	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 57	2.8	(1.809, 3)	8.4	0.740	(---, 1)	0.740	1.500	(---, 1)	1.500
56R 58	4.18	(4.045, 2)	8.36	0	(---, 0)	0	3.008	(2.152, 5)	15.040
56R 59	0.657	(1.554, 10)	6.57	0.181	(0.248, 16)	2.890	0.074	(0.119, 6)	0.442
56R 60	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.173	(0.022, 2)	0.346
56R 61	209.31	(179.379, 2)	418.62	0	(---, 0)	0	2.105	(1.822, 2)	4.210

MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
56R 62	0	(---, 0)	0	55.205	(81.129, 6)	331.230	1 424.668	(---, 1)	1424.668
56R 63	39.665	(54.978, 2)	79.33	0	(---, 0)	0	0.691	(---, 1)	0.691
56R 64	3.02	(---, 1)	3.02	0.780	(---, 1)	0.780	0.262	(0.202, 3)	0.786
56R 65	14.898	(34.050, 15)	223.47	11.080	(36.066, 17)	188.360	2.663	(4.770, 11)	29.290
56R 67	0.2	(---, 1)	0.2	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 70	23.391	(64.935, 9)	210.52	0.632	(0.910, 28)	17.700	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 71	14.162	(29.849, 5)	70.81	0.220	(0.168, 7)	1.540	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 72	0.22	(0.274, 3)	0.66	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 73	0.413	(0.749, 18)	7.43	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 74	0.239	(0.187, 7)	1.67	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 89	0	(---, 0)	0	1.900	(0.935, 3)	5.700	0.516	(0.987, 6)	3.095
56R 91	0	(---, 0)	0	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0.188	(0.044, 2)	0.377
56R 107	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	2.284	(2.653, 3)	6.852
56R 111	0	(---, 0)	0	5.230	(3.708, 15)	78.450	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 141	0	(---, 0)	0	2.360	(---, 1)	2.360	0	(---, 0)	0
56R 142	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.377	(---, 1)	0.377

MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
71L 2	0.330	(	1)	(	(	-)	0.188	(	1)
71L 3	0.989	(	7)	(	(	-)	1.372	(	10)
71L 9	2.840	(	1)	(	(	-)	0.079	(	1)
71L 11	12.778	(	4)	(	(	-)	8.684	(	3)
71L 12	6.432	(	5)	(	(	-)	0.387	(	9)
71L 17	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0.620	(	1)
71L 18	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 22	0.978	(	6)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 23	2	(	4)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 28	0.070	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 29	4.162	(	13)	(	(	-)	2.125	(	6)
71L 31	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0.008	(	1)
71L 32	0.030	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 33	0.475	(	8)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 34	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0.165	(	1)
71L 36	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 37	2.970	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 38	2.200	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 39	5.037	(	6)	(	(	-)	0.772	(	3)
71L 43	0.770	(	3)	(	(	-)	0.006	(	4)
71L 45	11.390	(	3)	(	(	-)	8.537	(	4)
71L 48	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 49	4.958	(	12)	(	(	-)	4.797	(	11)
71L 50	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 51	0.07	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 52	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 53	0.2	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 54	7.360	(	25)	(	(	-)	10.971	(	18)
71L 55	380.130	(	1)	(	(	-)	249.242	(	2)
71L 57	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0.071	(	1)
71L 58	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 60	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0.456	(	5)
71L 62	2.203	(	3)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 63	2.500	(	1)	(	(	-)	0.542	(	1)
71L 65	66.153	(	12)	(	(	-)	25.605	(	12)
71L 66	3.406	(	5)	(	(	-)	12.192	(	6)
71L 68	0.640	(	1)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 70	0.037	(	3)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 71	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0	(	0)
71L 72	0	(	0)	(	(	-)	0.471	(	2)
71L 73	0.140	(3)	((-)	0.520	(2)
71L 119	0	(0)	((-)	0	(0)
71L 123	0	(0)	((-)	1.767	(1)
71L 131	0	(0)	((-)	12.566	(2)
71L 131	0	(0)	((-)	0	(1)

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MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
123L 2	0.774	(0.520, 5)	3.870	0.830	(0.826, 3)	2.490	1.467	(1.642, 5)	7.336
123L 6	0.070	(---, 1)	0.070	0.310	(0.156, 2)	0.620	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 8	0	(---, 0)	0	0.165	(0.049, 2)	0.330	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 9	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	1.225	(---, 1)	1.225
123L 11	0	(---, 0)	0	0.030	(---, 1)	0.030	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 12	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.310	(0.094, 3)	0.931
123L 13	0.255	(0.346, 2)	0.510	0	(---, 0)	0	0.071	(---, 1)	0.071
123L 16	0.523	(0.428, 3)	1.570	0.220	(0.269, 2)	0.440	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 22	0.892	(0.916, 11)	9.810	0.616	(0.520, 14)	8.630	0.059	(0.039, 2)	0.118
123L 24	0.451	(0.569, 7)	3.160	0.108	(0.073, 9)	0.970	0.058	(0.023, 3)	0.174
123L 29	11.688	(13.864, 15)	175.320	7.315	(9.980, 21)	153.620	8.809	(12.438, 16)	140.944
123L 31	0	(---, 0)	0	0.141	(0.202, 7)	0.990	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 33	0	(---, 0)	0	0.070	(0.000, 3)	0.210	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 43	0.010	(0, 2)	0.020	0.050	(0.028, 2)	0.100	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 45	0.330	(---, 1)	0.330	2.540	(3.930, 3)	7.620	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 47	0.130	(---, 1)	0.130	0.065	(0.007, 2)	0.130	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 49	0.505	(0.177, 2)	1.010	1.140	(0.812, 4)	4.560	40.375	(76.192, 4)	161.500
123L 52	2.020	(---, 1)	2.020	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 54	8.139	(18.385, 15)	122.090	8.098	(14.742, 20)	161.950	6.780	(14.601, 14)	94.920
123L 56	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 59	1.003	(0.995, 3)	3.010	0.125	(0.263, 11)	1.370	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 62	0	(---, 0)	0	1.243	(0.929, 4)	4.970	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 65	8.702	(11.153, 6)	52.210	14.078	(18.652, 6)	84.470	20.681	(31.608, 5)	103.405
123L 66	0	(---, 0)	0	0.320	(---, 1)	0.320	1.804	(2.839, 4)	7.216
123L 70	0	(---, 0)	0	0.096	(0.136, 9)	0.860	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 71	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	1.375	(0.276, 2)	2.750	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 72	0	(---, 1)	0	0.015	(0.007, 2)	0.030	0.062	(0.051, 2)	0.124
123L 74	0.400	(0, 2)	0.800	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 89	0	(---, 0)	0	3.620	(2.913, 2)	7.240	2.909	(2.980, 5)	14.545
123L 91	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.408	(---, 1)	0.408
123L 102	0	(---, 0)	0	0.130	(---, 1)	0.130	0	(---, 0)	0
123L 114	0	(---, 0)	0	4.910	(---, 1)	4.910	0	(---, 0)	0

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MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
172L 8	0	(---, 0)	0	0.070	(---, 1)	0.070	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 2	0.010	(0, 4)	0.040	1.417	(1.846, 3)	4.250	1.070	(1.177, 5)	5.349
172L 4	0.010	(0, 2)	0.020	0.130	(---, 1)	0.130	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 6	2.267	(2.336, 3)	6.800	0.865	(0.318, 2)	1.730	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 7	0.880	(0.962, 2)	1.760	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 8	0	(---, 0)	0	0.106	(0.068, 5)	0.530	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 9	1.205	(2.854, 11)	13.260	0.327	(0.272, 6)	1.960	3.925	(6.782, 9)	35.327
172L 10	0	(---, 0)	0	14.175	(25.573, 6)	85.050	4.179	(3.989, 11)	45.969
172L 11	0	(---, 0)	0	0.060	(---, 1)	0.060	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 12	0.217	(0.358, 3)	0.650	0	(---, 0)	0	1.543	(1.294, 7)	10.799
172L 13	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.432	(0.150, 4)	1.728
172L 17	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0.220	(---, 1)	0.220	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 22	0.552	(0.942, 25)	13.810	0.446	(0.487, 13)	5.800	0.031	(---, 1)	0.031
172L 23	4.122	(6.601, 30)	123.660	3.820	(2.900, 13)	49.660	1.081	(0.733, 17)	18.370
172L 24	1.400	(---, 1)	1.400	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 29	4.961	(4.560, 28)	138.900	4.209	(4.125, 25)	105.230	8.096	(14.806, 25)	202.400
172L 30	0	(---, 0)	0	0.790	(---, 1)	0.790	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 31	0.125	(0.049, 2)	0.250	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 33	0.105	(0.165, 12)	1.260	1.095	(1.007, 11)	12.040	0.024	(0.014, 3)	0.071
172L 34	3.645	(5.112, 2)	7.290	0	(---, 0)	0	0.283	(---, 1)	0.283
172L 35	0.200	(---, 1)	0.200	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 36	1.400	(---, 1)	1.400	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 37	22.750	(27.224, 2)	45.500	0	(---, 0)	0	1.200	(0.948, 4)	4.799
172L 39	0.020	(---, 1)	0.020	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 40	4.903	(7.886, 3)	14.710	5.400	(1.454, 3)	16.20	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 43	0.073	(0.038, 7)	0.510	2.263	(4.751, 16)	36.210	0.872	(0.200, 2)	1.744
172L 44	3.140	(---, 1)	3.140	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 45	0.954	(1.847, 5)	4.770	2.842	(2.714, 15)	42.630	0.188	(0.140, 7)	1.319
172L 48	0.480	(0.454, 3)	1.440	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 49	0.093	(0.040, 3)	0.280	0.475	(0.134, 2)	0.950	0.827	(0.154, 7)	5.789
172L 51	0.010	(0, 2)	0.020	0.583	(0.476, 3)	1.750	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 52	0.986	(1.009, 13)	12.820	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 53	0.254	(0.547, 14)	3.550	4.810	(4.525, 36)	173.160	3.253	(2.561, 35)	113.848
172L 54	2.993	(3.096, 40)	119.700	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 56	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 59	0.219	(0.290, 7)	1.530	0.130	(0.194, 4)	0.520	0.092	(0.159, 5)	0.461
172L 60	0.130	(---, 1)	0.130	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 89	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 61	1.002	(0.702, 4)	4.010	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 62	7.500	(---, 1)	7.500	46.717	(60.033, 3)	140.150	0.424	(---, 1)	0.424
172L 65	54.390	(73.299, 5)	271.950	88.944	(115.636, 5)	444.720	40.097	(70.254, 6)	240.583
172L 66	1.157	(0.898, 3)	3.470	1.770	(---, 1)	1.770	0.491	(0.417, 2)	0.982
172L 70	0.040	(0.052, 3)	0.120	0.143	(0.261, 10)	1.430	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 71	1.500	(---, 1)	1.500	0.160	(---, 1)	0.160	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 72	0	(---, 0)	0	0.310	(0.057, 2)	0.620	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 73	0.604	(0.797, 10)	6.040	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 76	14.140	(---, 1)	14.140	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 77	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.651	(0.796, 8)	5.207

MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
172L 89	0	(---, 0)	0	1.135 (0.573, 2)	2.270	2	0.199 (0.197, 3)	0.597	3
172L 91	0	(---, 0)	0	24.170 (26.135, 2)	48.340	2	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 93	0	(---, 0)	0	6.237 (9.421, 3)	18.710	3	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 129	0	(---, 0)	0	0.030 (---, 1)	0.030	1	0	(---, 0)	0
172L 131	0	(---, 0)	0	0.939 (1.547, 11)	10.330	11	0.126 (---, 1)	0.126	1

MILE SIDE	SPP	1991			1992			1993		
		MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
194L 2		1.582	(2.457, 11)	17.400	0.715	(0.768, 8)	5.720	2.728	(5.211, 6)	16.368
194L 3		0.450	(---, 1)	0.450	0.350	(---, 1)	0.350	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 6		5.418	(8.027, 5)	27.090	0.458	(0.357, 4)	1.830	0.291	(0.189, 2)	0.581
194L 7		0.09	(---, 1)	0.090	0.870	(---, 1)	0.870	0.730	(---, 1)	0.730
194L 8		0	(---, 0)	0	0.565	(0.608, 6)	3.390	0.283	(---, 1)	0.283
194L 9		0.070	(---, 1)	0.070	1.835	(0.997, 2)	3.670	13.045	(17.207, 3)	39.136
194L 10		3.920	(4.063, 3)	11.760	4.410	(2.630, 2)	8.820	1.665	(1.244, 2)	3.330
194L 12		2.313	(3.466, 3)	6.940	0	(---, 0)	0	2.020	(2.138, 4)	8.082
194L 13		0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.157	(---, 1)	0.157
194L 17		3.450	(4.402, 6)	20.700	1.540	(---, 1)	1.540	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 22		0.378	(0.652, 9)	3.400	0.655	(0.669, 4)	2.620	0.385	(0.533, 2)	0.770
194L 23		8.015	(8.846, 18)	144.270	6.121	(16.413, 18)	110.180	1.681	(2.967, 23)	38.669
194L 24		0	(---, 0)	0	0.320	(---, 1)	0.320	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 25		17.675	(2.779, 2)	35.350	0.030	(0.000, 2)	0.060	6.354	(8.786, 2)	12.708
194L 29		3.288	(3.913, 5)	16.440	1.434	(1.263, 10)	14.340	0.856	(0.676, 10)	8.561
194L 33		0.206	(0.284, 11)	2.270	8.100	(15.841, 4)	32.40	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 35		0.010	(0, 3)	0.030	0.040	(0.000, 2)	0.080	0.785	(---, 1)	0.785
194L 37		0	(---, 0)	0	0.380	(---, 1)	0.380	3.711	(4.249, 2)	7.422
194L 39		1.410	(---, 1)	1.410	3.793	(6.902, 4)	15.170	0.031	(---, 1)	0.031
194L 40		2.256	(2.349, 7)	15.790	1.627	(1.288, 3)	4.880	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 42		0	(---, 0)	0	0.550	(---, 1)	0.550	0.016	(---, 1)	0.016
194L 43		6.168	(7.724, 16)	98.680	1.374	(1.726, 15)	20.610	0.641	(0.834, 16)	10.249
194L 45		0	(---, 0)	0	0.537	(0.689, 12)	6.450	1.403	(2.759, 12)	16.831
194L 47		0.125	(0.092, 2)	0.250	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 48		4.268	(5.105, 5)	21.340	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 49		0.790	(---, 1)	0.790	4.025	(4.306, 2)	8.050	23.464	(15.411, 2)	46.928
194L 50		0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.002	(---, 1)	0.002
194L 51		0.985	(0.865, 6)	5.910	0.143	(0.103, 4)	0.570	3.786	(4.643, 2)	7.571
194L 52		6.255	(19.403, 19)	118.840	0.270	(0.113, 2)	0.540	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 53		0.140	(0.225, 3)	0.420	0.220	(---, 1)	0.220	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 54		0.506	(0.509, 5)	2.530	2.783	(4.051, 4)	11.130	3.030	(2.486, 6)	18.182
194L 56		0.710	(---, 1)	0.710	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 58		0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.874	(0.676, 3)	2.623
194L 59		0.123	(0.179, 3)	0.370	0.108	(0.083, 5)	0.540	0.006	(---, 1)	0.006
194L 59		0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.016	(---, 1)	0.016
194L 62		0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 61		1.538	(1.517, 4)	6.150	1.770	(---, 1)	1.770	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 62		0	(---, 0)	0	24.666	(20.630, 5)	123.330	17.735	(28.176, 3)	53.205
194L 65		16.931	(32.109, 10)	169.310	17.737	(25.294, 13)	230.580	13.311	(20.636, 14)	186.350
194L 66		3.520	(---, 1)	3.520	4.670	(---, 1)	4.670	48.416	(61.484, 2)	96.832
194L 68		112.495	(121.646, 13)	1462.430	47.257	(58.843, 15)	708.860	25.952	(23.554, 17)	441.176
194L 69		0.200	(---, 1)	0.200	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 70		0.030	(---, 1)	0.030	0.010	(---, 1)	0.010	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 71		38.490	(---, 1)	38.490	77.355	(107.388, 2)	154.710	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 72		0	(---, 0)	0	0.060	(---, 1)	0.060	9.444	(12.468, 2)	18.889
194L 73		0.400	(---, 1)	0.400	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0
194L 74		0.980	(---, 1)	0.980	0	(---, 0)	0	0.027	(0.017, 2)	0.055
194L 75		0.130	(---, 1)	0.130	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0

MILE SIDE	SPP	1991			1992			1993		
		MEANBA	sd	SUMBA	MEANBA	sd	SUMBA	MEANBA	sd	SUMBA
194L	76	0	(	0	(	0	3.142	(	1)	3.142
194L	89	0	(	0	(	0	0.614	(	8)	4.909
194L	93	0	(	0	(	0	0.511	(	1)	0.511
194L	102	0	(	0	(	0	0	(	0)	0
194L	107	0	(	0	(	0	0.188	(	1)	0.188
194L	121	0	(	0	(	0	0.393	(	1)	0.393
194L	127	0	(	0	(	0	0.652	(	4)	2.608

MILE SPP SIDE	1991			1992			1993		
	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n	MEANBA	sd	n
213L 2	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.157	(---, 1)	1
213L 8	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.338	(---, 1)	1
213L 10	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	5.082	(6.504, 3)	15.245
213L 11	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	10.049	(14.112, 2)	20.098
213L 12	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.143	(0.200, 7)	1.430
213L 22	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.263	(0.550, 7)	1.838
213L 33	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.047	(---, 1)	0.047
213L 35	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	6.401	(5.498, 3)	19.203
213L 43	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.066	(0.069, 5)	0.330
213L 49	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	4.955	(3.591, 25)	123.884
213L 58	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.141	(---, 1)	0.141
213L 59	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.267	(0.283, 3)	0.801
213L 62	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.723	(0.933, 2)	1.445
213L 65	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	4.037	(3.532, 2)	8.074
213L 70	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.030	(0.021, 5)	0.151
213L 77	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	1.080	(1.343, 4)	4.322
213L 83	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.031	(---, 1)	0.031
213L 89	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.031	(---, 1)	0.031
213L 96	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	12.216	(14.474, 3)	36.647
213L 99	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	0.628	(0.733, 4)	2.513
213L 131	0	(---, 0)	0	0	(---, 0)	0	13.868	(17.502, 3)	41.603

APPENDIX D

**MEAN BASAL AREA (n, 1 sd) OF PLANT SPECIES
OCCURRING ON LONG-TERM STUDY QUADRATS
IN 1992 (APPENDIX D1) AND 1993 (APPENDIX D2)**

Appendix D1: Mean total 1992 plant species basal area (cm^2/m^2), with n and 1 sd, in channel margin, bar platform and debris fan geomorphic settings at 20 eddy study areas through the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, Arizona. Refer to Appendix B for species identifying numbers.

CHANNEL MARGIN SITES				BAR PLATFORM SITES				DEBRIS FAN SITES			
SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm^2)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm^2)	SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm^2)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm^2)	SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm^2)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm^2)
1	0.0116667	6	0.00408248	1	0.01	3	0	201	0.01	1	0.114903
2?	8.55	1		209	1.33	1		1	0.0544444	9	
2	1.19333	3	1.65995	2	1.115	2	1.01116	2	0.27	2	0.0848528
212	0.57	1		3	1.13	3	1.48395	3	0.09	2	
3	0.545	2	0.360624	222	0.01	1		5	0.01	1	
5?	0.14	1		5	0.14	1		227	4.11	7	6.39699
5	1.15	2	1.6122	227	1.87	2	2.46073	96	6.28857	7	10.6419
227	0.225	2	0.289914	96	0.975	2	1.15258	6	0.18	3	0.193132
96	9.106	5	13.5123	6	0.915	4	1.74338	6?	12.12	1	
6	2.364	10	4.85799	7	0.72	2	1.00409	7	2.08	2	2.1496
7	1	3	1.5199	8	0.01	2	0	8	0.01	1	
8	0.0366667	3	0.046188	237	0.01	1		237	0.01	1	
237	0.06	1		10	1.625	4	1.34869	131	2.185	2	3.07591
238	0.01	2	0	11	0.01	1		9	7.79	1	
131	0.07	2	0.0707107	93	0.52	3	0.336452	10	3.08	5	3.52697
9	2.038	5	2.73604	93?	0.01	1		244	0.36	2	0.19799
10	0.285	2	0.360624	253	0.01	1		11	0.05	1	
244	0.99	2	0.452548	256	0.4025	4	0.778348	248	2.22	3	3.7932
11	3.77333	3	3.91082	259	0.01	1		93?	3.4975	8	2.93065
248	2.03	2	2.81428	258	0.01	2	0	256	2.19273	11	6.04629
93	3.592	5	4.76892	14	0.25	1		258	0.01	2	0
93?	0.01	2	0	263	0.01	1		14	0.075	2	0.0919239
252	0.05	1		70	0.04	1		263	0.01	1	
256	0.705	8	0.592477	21	0.016	5	0.00894427	70	0.07	1	
14	0.64	1		22	0.0333333	3	0.0251661	21	0.1	1	
12	0.06	3	0.0866025	23	1.3175	4	1.0471	22	0.01	3	0
258	0.01	1		24	0.2275	4	0.324795	23	0.285	6	0.306317
17	0.21	1		70	0.105	2	0.13435	287	0.01	2	0
20	0.01	1		70	0.01	1		24	0.0133333	3	0.0057735
22	0.0342857	7	0.0415761	305	0.02	1		294	0.0745455	11	0.135894
70	0.01	1		29	0.13	4	0.165126	70a	0.03	1	
603	0.01	1		605	0.01	1		291	0.17	1	
23	1.70667	3	2.76732	124	0.01	2	0	25	0.17	1	
70	0.29	1		73	0.0485714	7	0.0788307	300	0.2	2	0.268701
294	21.72	2	30.6743	71	0.0766667	3	0.0585947				

Appendix D1, continued.

CHANNEL MARGIN SITES				BAR PLATFORM SITES				DEBRIS FAN SITES			
SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm ²)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm ²)	SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm ²)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm ²)	SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm ²)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm ²)
25	0.04	1		34?	0.05	1		70b	0.05	1	
610	0.02	1		34	0.01	3	0	305	0.166	5	0.267825
300	0.0275	4	0.035					70c	0.01	1	
301	0.01	1		129	0.27	3	0.202237	31	0.01	1	
29	0.55875	8	0.655841	611	1.12	1		313	0.02	1	
605	0.01	1		351	0.16	1		32	0.05	1	
31	38.09	1		367	0.02	1		317	0.02	1	
313	0.06	1		367?	0.01	1		319	0.0933333	3	0.135769
317	0.105	2	0.0494975	97	0.06	1		73	0.0172727	11	0.0100905
124	0.01	2	0	43	0.015	4	0.01	329	0.01	1	
324	0.123333	3	0.162891	45	0.143333	3	0.146401	328	0.015	2	0.00707107
73	0.03875	8	0.0408613	383	0.02	1		71	0.786667	6	1.35656
328	0.263333	3	0.438786	47	0.456667	3	0.765005				
33	0.0325	4	0.0262996	396	0.01	1		34	0.098	6	0.147716
71	0.071429	7	0.0985611	118	3.04	3	5.09302	34?	1.936	5	3.3453
34	0.414286	7	0.87869	50	0.02	1		70d	0.566667	3	0.381357
34?	0.29	6	0.656567	51	0.01	1		612	0.01	1	
129	0.364	5	0.476686	417	0.01	1		367	0.01	1	
339	2.25	1		95	0.01	1		367	0.01	3	0
611	0.01	1		54	2.71875	8	2.91137	613	0.115	2	0.148492
35	4.745	2	6.66802	441	0.01	1		43	0.01	1	
37	0.04	1		389	0.52	1		45	0.01	1	
349	1.23	1		448	0.01	1		389	0.01	1	
39	0.01	1		61	1.434	5	1.87889	70e	0.01	1	
40	1.15	1		62	9.96167	6	23.6741	47	0.01	1	
361	0.01	1		63	8.675	2	12.1269	397	0.39	1	
367	0.01	1		447	4.6175	4	5.90445	401	1.2	1	
368	0.03	1		91	1.07	3	0.9755	118	2.1525	4	2.23834
97	0.06	2	0.0141421	454	0.06	1		417	0.19	4	0.327109
43	0.09	3	0.08544	456	4.185	2	5.90434	53	0.02	1	
45	0.015	6	0.0083666	65	13.46	6	22.8907	95	0.03	1	
46	0.2	2	0.268701	66	2.3775	4	2.59348	427	0.07	1	
47	0.01	1		74	0.0275	8	0.0455914	54	0.715	4	0.65465
49	0.06	1						99	5.51333	3	5.19324
417	0.02	4	0.0141421					59	0.01	1	
427	0.01	2	0					448	0.07	3	0.0793725
54	2.07	6	2.26586					61	6.64	6	9.50318

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Appendix D2: Mean total 1993 plant species basal area (cm^2/m^2), with n and 1 sd, in channel margin, bar platform and debris fan geomorphic settings at 20 eddy study areas through the Colorado River in the Grand Canyon, Arizona. Refer to Appendix B for species identifying numbers.

CHANNEL MARGIN SITES				BAR PLATFORM SITES				DEBRIS FAN SITES			
SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm^2)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm^2)	SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm^2)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm^2)	SP	MEAN BASAL AREA (cm^2)	n	1sd BASAL AREA (cm^2)
1	0.00108	6	0.00116	1	0.00016	2		201	0.00204	6	0.18
2	0.39	5	0.64338	2	0.5079	1		1	0.07788	1	
212	1.1888	1		3	0.11026	1		3	0.0696	2	0.18
222	0.0157	1		4	0.0033	1		4	0.21152	4	0.2909
5	0.00346	4		5	0.02466	1		227	11.0897	2	11.22
227	1.24746	6	0.79106	227	1.97206	2		96	4.55348	12	5.6862
96	5.21316	7	9.34158	96	2.39814	2	3.38948	6	2.33954	4	3.26416
209	0.22324	6	0.40702	6	0.14152	1		7	0.7101	1	
7	17.4002	1		7	1.51256	1		237	0.00062	1	
131	0.02764	5		614	0.03156	1		131	0.00188	1	
9	4.0516	6	4.2773	9	0.00016	2		9	8.00832	3	0.18
10	1.53334	4	1.6829	10	7.33996	2	10.2569	10	1.28358	3	1.66496
244	0.95532	3	1.72854	256	0.07266	1		244	1.48962	1	
11	3.53358	1		14	12.1619	1		11	0.00062	3	0.18
248	0.15864	6		21	0.00204	5		248	1.42666	6	2.349
93	1.18096	1		22	0.0194	2	0.03512	93	6.75188	1	
256	0.24196	11	0.27118	23	0.31764	9	0.3612	252	0.00158	1	
258	0.00126	1		24	0.0462	2	0.0544	256	0.629228	1	
259	0.31808	1		70	0.00118	1	0.00122	14	0.00314	1	
14	0.01256	1		305	0.02466	2		22	0.00016	1	
17	0.28634	1		29	0.01712	2	0.01578	603	0.01118	5	0.18
22	0.02514	11	0.05852	124	0.01398	1	0.0193	23	0.11694	1	
602	0.00188	3		73	0.00156	2		287	0.01006	1	
603	0.00184	5	0.00192	76	0.00424	2	0.00512	24	0.00314	1	
23	0.70284	2	0.82178	34?	0.0225	2	0.02824	70a	0.0036	1	
24	0.02748	9	0.03798	34	0.13422	4	0.1878	294	0.02122	13	0.0291
70	0.01974	5	0.05102	129	0.61826	1		25	0.74036	1	
294	0.10482	1		37	0.09688	1		301	0.14956	4	0.18
298	0.02262	1		43	0.00252	3	0.18	305	0.04148	2	0.01948
300	0.00142	3		45	0.34758	3	0.35276	313	0.00166	2	0.0019
301	0.0698	1		47	0.3273	3	0.44978	319	0.78558	4	1.11046
29L	1.5621	1		118	2.31516	1	3.0289	73	0.2641	3	0.49582
29	0.8635	16	1.9021	50	0.02654	7	0.18	328	0.01282	6	0.01952
324	0.0165	6	0.01176	54	1.68724	4	1.58572	71	0.18494	8	0.43854
73	0.03924	2	0.05436	56	0.00422	1		34	0.24756	2	
				59	0.00062	1					

Appendix D2, continued.

CHANNEL MARGIN SITES				BAR PLATFORM SITES				DEBRIS FAN SITES			
SP	MEAN AREA (cm ²)	n	1sd AREA (cm ²)	SP	MEAN AREA (cm ²)	n	1sd AREA (cm ²)	SP	MEAN AREA (cm ²)	n	1sd AREA (cm ²)
328	0.00996	1		389	1.06280	1		34	0.00078	1	
33	0.13384	8	0.180	448	0.01260	1		129	0.203	1	
71	0.46940	7	0.73584	61	7.48248	7	15.65950	611	1.55134	1	0.01442
342	0.54260	2	0.85846	63	3.77142	6	5.24472	367	0.00994	1	
34	0.01202	8	0.00034	91	0.05724	2	0.10156	374	0.01006	5	
129	0.64266	1		456	3.91740	4	4.98468	45	0.25414	1	0.54528
339	0.25132	1		65	1.83802	5	1.50274	70b	0.00376	1	
37	0.10022	1		66	1.91050	1		47	0.00126	1	
40	0.46402	1		601	0.02654	1		399	0.3927	6	
41	0.70500	1		209	0.42648	1		118	1.62494	4	1.59632
368	0.20422	1		12	0.00020	1		417	0.33378	2	0.65262
97	0.00376	2		484	0.15050	1		95	0.00794	1	
43	0.01288	6	0.0111	39	0.11402	1		427	0.0201	2	
45	0.24100	1		615	0.69780	1		54	1.56944	1	
401	0.09048	1		113	0.21990	1		56	0.00674	3	0.18000
118	0.03534	1		30	3.22318	1		99	4.27692	1	4.94206
49	0.00062	5		505	0.00738	1		616	0.03552	2	
417	0.03432	2	0.0706					448	0.34692	2	0.29066
53	0.24054	3	0.30264					61	7.68698	1	
95	0.00294	2	0.00412					62	1.72862	15	1.78012
427	0.01038	6	0.0091					63	1.94244	1	
54	2.40822	2	3.1766					447	0.33	8	0.18000
99	0.81008	6	1.09564					91	0.97028	1	
59	0.00214	2	0.00234					454	0.11356	1	
441	0.06188	1						456	0.87144	15	1.43254
389	0.04462	5	0.01478					65	2.56344	2	2.21068
448	0.01740	5						66	0.13446	1	
61	0.83512	1						461	0.1365	1	
62	1.74474	12	2.46306					463	0.03426	1	
63	0.83252	7	1.04408					609	0.0071	1	
91	0.65902	1						70c	0.02136	1	
454	0.00142	5						70d	0.06284	1	
456	0.24974	1						601	0.0509	2	
67	0.00142	6						12	0.00864	4	0.00998
65	6.40384	17	10.9149					484	0.09304	1	
66	1.57056	2	1.42642					617	0.00078	2	
463	0.16722	2	0.11894					20	0.01006	1	

APPENDIX E

PRESENTATIONS AND PUBLICATIONS

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The following presentations and papers were produced from this project in 1993:

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