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ABSTRACT

A complete history of jokulhlaups on Snow River from 1947 to 1981 was developed using flow records for the Kenai River at Cooper Landing and the available Snow River records.

For those events for which Snow River records are available, the recorded jokulhlaup hydrographs were used to reconstitute the observed Cooper Landing hydrographs as a test of validity of the routing methods. For events for which Snow River records are not available, the inferred jokulhlaup hydrographs were similarly used as a test of validity of the inference.

It is demonstrated in this report that the cross-sectional area of the glacier-dammed lake outlet is proportional to the amount of water that has passed through the outlet. This relationship is established early in a jokulhlaup event and reveals itself in the operational hydrograph of Snow River flows. It is then possible to forecast the entire jokulhlaup hydrograph by selecting successive flows which simultaneously satisfy that relationship and the head and remaining lake storage requirements. A computer program was developed for that purpose and is included. Verification runs made on recorded events produced exceptionally good results.

INTRODUCTION

Jokulhlaup (pronounced "yokel-loup" with the last syllable rhyming with "out") is an Icelandic term for sudden outbursts of

water from glaciers or glacier-dammed lakes. Jokulhlaups usually occur at periodic intervals and generally have no direct relation to concurrent meteorologic conditions. Most are small and go unnoticed; others have been catastrophic. For example, Grimsvotn (the lakes of Grimur) in Iceland periodically spills up to eight million acre-ft in a flood in which streamflow discharges have reached nearly two million cubic ft per second. In 1959, a jokulhlaup in Kashmir caused a flood rise of more than 100 ft at a distance of more than 25 mi from the point of outburst. Such sporadic outburst floods have taken a heavy toll in life and property and have destroyed whole villages.

The best known examples of large jokulhlaups in North America are those from Lake George (Knik Glacier) near Anchorage, Alaska. The lake dumped annually from 1918 until 1966, missing only 1963. However, Lake George has not refilled since 1966 and will not until the glacier advances and dams the lake again.

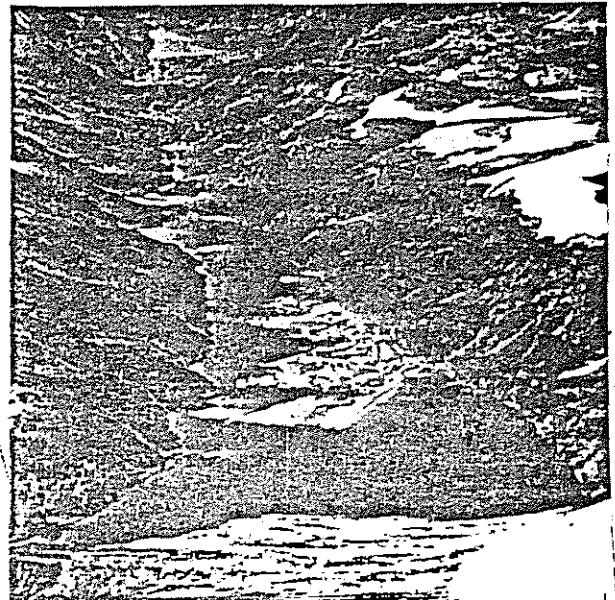
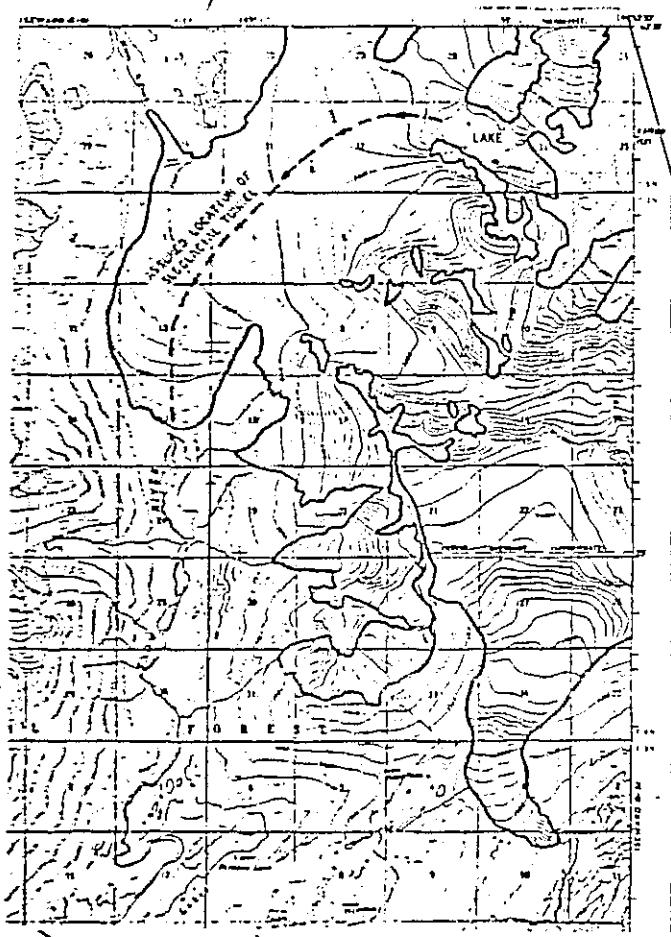
Large jokulhlaups presenting extreme flood hazards occur at more than twenty locations in Alaska. Presently, the glacier-dammed lake in the headwaters of Snow River is of the greatest economic interest in the state. In recent years it has dumped in late summer when flows on the downstream Kenai River were high. Residential, recreational, and commercial development along the Kenai River has been stimulated by paved highway access from Anchorage and by the economic boom of the Trans-Alaska Pipeline. When a jokulhlaup is imminent, or in progress in that area, river stage forecasts are in great demand. Figure 1 shows the location of the glacier-dammed lake, Snow River and Kenai River.

PURPOSE

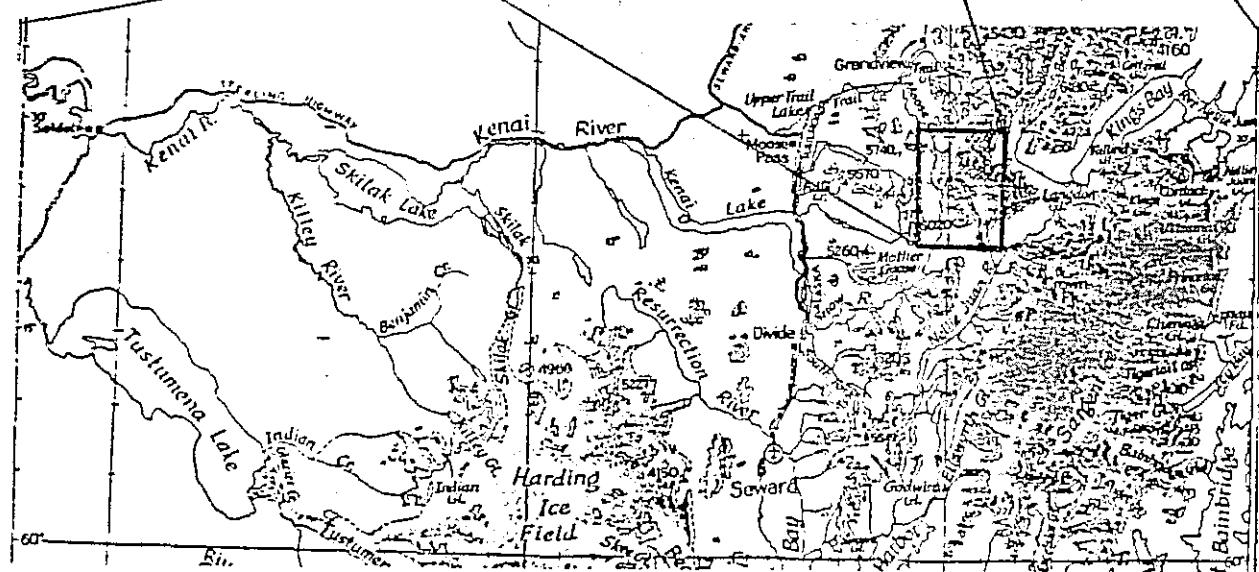
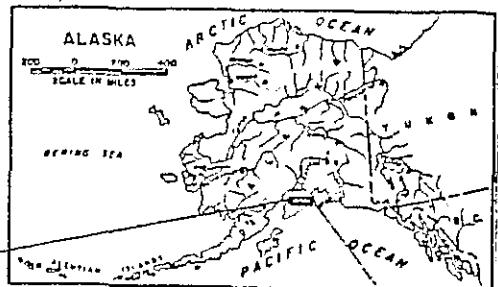
The purpose of this report is ultimately to present a forecast procedure for Snow River jokulhlaups. In the literature, whenever jokulhlaup forecasting is mentioned, it is consistently said to be impossible. The procedure presented herein will not predict when the event will begin but, once started, certain characteristics of the operational hydrograph, along with some known basin and hydraulic characteristics, make derivation of the entire event hydrograph possible several days before flooding begins. Before the method could be tested thoroughly, however, it was necessary to compile a history of Snow River jokulhlaups, many of which occurred before a Snow River gage was installed. The history itself is of value and is presented first.

THE SELF-DUMPING LAKE

The lake that is the subject of this report is formed by the main valley glacier damming a tributary valley. During the summer, runoff from rainfall, snowmelt, and some glacier melt accumulate in the lake. In the winter, snowfall adds depth to



View of glacier-dammed lake looking southeast from above the ice dam. July 1974



The Kenai River drains into Cook Inlet. Snow River is a tributary draining into the upper end of Kenai Lake. Glaciers and ice fields are shaded.

Figure 1. Location of glacier-dammed lake on Snow River.

the lake as does continued drainage from the glacier of melt water from an earlier season. In the course of two to four years, the lake fills to a depth of 300 to 500 ft and creates a hydrostatic head sufficient to initiate the self-dumping process. This is often when the height of the lake surface is about 0.9 of the height of the ice dam, which suggests that lifting of the dam may take place. Once begun, the flowing water enlarges its escape route and the discharge accelerates until the head is insufficient to support acceleration. Then the lake is nearly empty and the discharge drops abruptly. The typical jokulhlaup hydrograph has the appearance of a breached dam hydrograph in reverse.

FLOOD POTENTIAL

This glacier-dammed lake drains under the glacier for a distance of 5 mi. It drains completely; the water emerges at the terminus of the glacier. From that point, it flows down Snow River, a distance of 29 mi to Kenai Lake. During some of the jokulhlaup events, the U.S. Geological Survey operated a recording stream gage at the railroad bridge near the mouth of Snow River. The flood wave at that location is necessarily very similar to the hydrograph at the glacier terminus because much of the flow in Snow River is supercritical, slowing down only for a few miles through Paradise Valley and arriving at the gage about 3 hr after leaving the glacier. Very little attenuation is possible, and very little flooding occurs on Snow River except near the mouth.

As the flood wave passes through Kenai Lake, it is greatly attenuated, however. Kenai Lake is about 23 mi long; its width is a nearly uniform 1 mi throughout its length and the normal surface area is 21.6 mi². In some places the lake is over 560 ft deep, but the normal pool elevation ranges between 430 and 440 ft, msl, which means that the bottom of the lake is more than 100 ft below sea level. Floods frequently inundate parts of Primrose and Quartz Creek campgrounds and several fixed boat docks around the lake. Less frequently, floods damage cabins and summer homes.

At the outlet of Kenai Lake the Sterling Highway crosses the river near Cooper Landing. The USGS has maintained a gage at that location since 1947. Cooper Landing is a small community built along the Kenai River where large floods can reach a few homes, but the occurrences have been so infrequent that the residents seldom show concern. Below Cooper Landing to Skilak Lake, there is little development in the flood plain, although two lodges are sometimes threatened by high water.

Skilak Lake is larger than Kenai Lake, having a surface area of 38 mi². Snow River jokulhlaups are usually so thoroughly attenuated on leaving Skilak Lake that only a long slow rise and

fall are seen downstream. There is, however, another glacier-dammed lake that dumps into Skilak Lake. It is dammed by Skilak Glacier, a tongue of ice extending from the Harding Ice Field. In 1977, that glacier-dammed lake dumped at a most inopportune time: its peak flow coincided with the peak of a Snow River jokulhlaup that had occurred a few days earlier, both of which were in addition to high flow from the melting of a record snowpack in the Kenai Mountains. This resulted in the highest flows of record on the lower Kenai River.

Below Skilak Lake, near Sterling, a recreational and residential development known as Kenai Keys has been built on the Kenai River, much of which is susceptible to flooding. Floods cut off access to the area first, making it impossible for the Anchorage weekenders to move their trailers out if they wait too long, after which the trailers and some cabins may be flooded. This is the location for which more individuals request river forecasts than any other location in the State.

Between Kenai Keys and Soldotna, there is little development in the flood plain as the river flows through the Kenai National Moose Range. At Soldotna, it is unusual for a Snow River jokulhlaup to contribute to flooding although it happened in 1977 during the highest flow of record mentioned above. That was not the highest stage of record, however. In mid-January 1969, a jokulhlaup from Skilak Glacier caused the river ice to break up from Skilak Lake to the mouth of the Kenai River. An ice jam formed near Soldotna and caused the highest stage by several feet. Many families were evacuated in the sub-zero (F) weather.

COMPUTATION OF SNOW RIVER JOKULHLAUP HYDROGRAPHS

Two stream gages are used in these computations. "Kenai River at Cooper Landing" is located on the Sterling Highway bridge at the outlet of Kenai Lake. "Trail River near Lawing" is near the mouth of Trail River which empties into Kenai Lake. Both gages began operation in 1947 and, although the USGS discontinued operation of the Trail River gage, the NWS has maintained records during the open-water season. A third gage, "Snow River near Seward" is located on the railroad bridge near the mouth of Snow River. The Snow River record is incomplete. The USGS has operated a recording gage at that location through a few jokulhlaups and for those events these computations would not have been necessary but are included for verification of the methods.

For those events when no Snow River record is available, the storage-indication method of reservoir routing was used to determine inflow to Kenai Lake. This method is appropriate because Kenai Lake is a large reservoir with a constricted outlet that functions like an uncontrolled spillway. The lake is very deep, so virtually no wedge storage exists at any time. For the first

Table 1
Snow River Jokulhlaups - Volumes and Peak Flows

Year	Glacier Dammed Lake			Snow River Gage			Cooper Landing	
	Jokulhlaup Incl. Dates	Est. Volume (ac. ft.)	Est. Peak Outflow (cfs)	Peak Flow (cfs)	Date	Peak Flow (cfs)	Stage (ft.)	Date
1949	10/18-10/29	116,400	14,900	16,400 (1)	10/27	11,600	13.55	10/28 (2)
1951	11/6 -11/21	78,700	11,000	11,500 (1)	11/17	6,250	(5)	11/18
1953	12/6 -12/18	80,100	7,000	7,300 (1)	12/15	4,420	(5)	12/17
1956	10/19-10/31	105,200	12,500	12,900 (1)	10/29	7,310	(5)	10/30
1958	10/8 -10/20	104,500	13,900	14,200 (1)	10/17	8,350	(5)	10/17
1961	9/29-10/8	142,000	19,200	20,000 (3)	10/7 (3)	14,000	10.5	10/8
1964	9/17-9/26	125,600	15,900	17,900 (2)	9/23	14,200	14.30	9/24
1967	8/26-9/3	122,000	27,500	27,000 (4)	8/31	21,500	16.25	9/1
1970	9/10-9/24	153,000	17,000	17,800 (2)	9/22	12,100	(5)	9/23
1974	9/10-9/22	195,000	25,000	26,400 (2)	9/20	23,100	17.18	9/21
1977	8/30-9/8	122,500	13,900	16,700 (2)	9/5	14,900	(5)	9/6
1979	10/19-10/24	103,000	14,800	15,700 (1)	10/24	12,800 (6)	13.62 (6)	10/24

(1) Inferred by downstream gages.

(2) Published by U.S.G.S.

(3) Peak flow and date shown are inferred by downstream gages. The 1964 surface water records of Alaska show peak flow of 25,000 cfs on September 30, 1961. That date cannot be supported by Cooper Landing flow records.

(4) Peak flow and date shown are inferred by downstream gages. The 1970 Water Resources Data for Alaska show 55,000 cfs on August 31, 1967.

(5) Stages not published. Corresponding flows are daily flows, not necessarily peak flows.

(6) From unpublished NWS records.

trial computation, the recorded Cooper Landing flows were routed backward to obtain lake inflows. This is a very sensitive procedure that greatly overreacts to small input errors, so the result was smoothed and used as a trial inflow. That inflow was routed through the lake and compared with the recorded Cooper Landing flows. The inflow hydrograph was then adjusted and rerouted until the reproduction of the Cooper Landing flows was satisfactory or excellent, if possible. The next step was to separate the inflow into components of Snow River flow and non-Snow River flow. In most cases this was not difficult as most of the jokulhlaups occurred when there was no significant rainfall. One outstanding exception was in 1974 but the Snow River gage was in operation then, obviating the separation of flows with an abominable lack of precipitation data. For the usual case, i.e., no significant rainfall and no flow data for Snow River, the ungaged area flow was proportioned to Trail River flow by drainage area ratio. Then, having the Snow River flow so determined, that part attributed to lake drainage was separated and the volume of the jokulhlaup was determined.

Table 1 lists all Snow River jokulhlaups since 1947 along with the estimated volume of each and the peak flows at the Snow River gage and at Cooper Landing.

Some notes are appropriate on three events:

- 1961: The Snow River flow records are not supported by the Cooper Landing flow records. The Snow River flows used in the 1961 computations are estimated on the basis of the reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.
- 1974: The reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph is less than good because the spatial and temporal distribution of the scattered heavy rainfall cannot be determined on the basis of available records. In the reconstitution shown, the ungaged area flow was determined the same way as in all the other reconstitutions, viz., 1.8 times the Trail River flow. This, however, is not appropriate when scattered heavy rainfall is involved. The Snow River flows are recorded and therefore, not dependent upon a good reconstitution. In the determination of the glacier-dammed lake outflow, the Snow River intervening area/base flow values were deliberately selected to result in a typically-shaped jokulhlaup hydrograph. While those selections cannot be strongly defended, the timing and relative magnitude of the rises are supported by rainfall records of Cooper Lake Project and Lawing.

1979: The flow data shown were taken from NWS files as the official USGS flows had not been published at the time of this writing. The Snow River flows were estimated on the basis of the Cooper Landing hydrograph reconstitution as the Snow River observer was unable to make observations at that time.

Figures 2 through 13 show the estimated or observed Snow River jokulhlaup hydrographs and the resulting reconstitutions of the Cooper Landing hydrographs.

GLACIER-DAMMED LAKE CAPACITY

Unlike common lakes and reservoirs for which fairly accurate storage versus pool elevation relationships can be determined from surveys, such relationships can change in glacier-dammed lakes. The lake may change size due to changes in the damming glacier. Varying amounts of ice in the lake are equivalent to a change in storage since large ice blocks remain after the lake has dumped. More important is intra- and/or sub-glacial storage. Evidence that it exists with the Snow River lake can be seen as the lake approaches its dumping level. The glacier begins to dome up and arcuate cracks appear in the surface near the lake. A large volume of water could be stored under the dome. Therefore, even though the lake might have been surveyed at some time when it was empty, no firm storage versus pool elevation relationship can be developed.

Instead, a gross estimate was made on the basis of aerial observations before and after the 1970 jokulhlaup. Before the event, the surface area of the lake was guessed at 500 acres. After the event, the lake was estimated to have been 450 ft deep, and the hydrograph showed that the volume of the 1970 dump was about 150,000 acre-ft. The lake geometry was simplified to a truncated triangular pyramid having 500 acres on the top, a height of 450 ft, and a bottom area of 195 acres. The resulting volume is 150,000 acre-ft. The storage versus head relationship could then be reduced to:

$$S = (h + 748)^3 / 8620 - 48600 \text{ or}$$
$$h = (8620S + 4.19 \times 10^6)^{1/3} - 748$$

where S = storage in acre-ft, and
 h = head in ft.

Three significant figures make the two equations mutually compatible; accuracy to three significant figures is not implied. Very little accuracy is claimed but the equations are necessary tools in the procedures that follow. Fortunately, storage and head are not sensitive parameters in those procedures.

Date	Snow River (est)	Trail River (obs)	Kernal River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kernal River at Cooper Landing (obs)	Blachetgraph, 1000 cfs									
					0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
101849	1650	367	2540	2440	s *									
101949	1830	348	2571	2550	s *									
102049	1990	350	2620	2530	s *									
102149	2580	333	2720	2690	*									
102249	3330	330	2911	2810	*s									
102349	5400	320	3314	3390	*	s								
102449	7910	318	4111	4160	*	s								
102549	10200	348	5374	5190	oc	s								
102649	13980	540	7247	7810	c o	s								
102749	16400	540	9524	9800	co	s								
102849	11600	495	11001	11300	co									
102949	3180	470	10454	10700	s	*								
103049	2190	450	8843	8680	s	oc								
103149	2110	455	7531	7420	s	*								
110149	2000	435	6508	6450	s	*								
110249	1860	435	5696	5630	s	*								
110349	1740	435	5070	5030	s	*								
110449	1700	408	4611	4500	s	*								
110549	1630	410	4255	4230	s	oc								
110649	1440	430	3950	3950	s	*								
110749	1090	455	3665	3730	s	*								
110849	580	455	3377	3390	s	*								
110949	230	455	3089	3090	s	*								
111049	140	415	2812	2740	s	oc								
111149	140	380	2567	2470	s	*								
111249	120	350	2365	2330	s	*								
111349	56	330	2194	2300	s	co								
111449	50	348	2049	2100	s	*								
111549	50	330	1922	1890	s	*								

End Figure 2. The 1949 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (est)	Trail River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (obs)	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
110251	800	260	1280	1310	s*									
110351	2000	260	1358	1460	*s									
110451	2000	260	1505	1640	*s									
110551	1500	260	1622	1730	*									
110651	1300	260	1683	1840	s*									
110751	1300	260	1724	1880	s*									
110851	1400	260	1767	2000	s*									
110951	1500	260	1816	2030	s*									
111051	1600	260	1872	2050	s*									
111151	2050	260	1954	2180	*									
111251	2800	260	2098	2320	*s									
111351	4400	260	2388	2710	* s									
111451	4100	260	2770	3120	* s									
111551	5300	260	3210	3360	* s									
111651	7500	180	3914	3700	*	s								
111751	11000	180	5154	5220	*		s							
111851	5400	180	5941	6250	ncd									
111951	800	180	5393	5160	s	*								
112051	300	180	4450	4430	s	*								
112151	300	180	3731	3390	s	*								
112251	300	180	3197	3130	s	*								
112351	300	180	2804	2770	s	*								
112451	300	180	2496	2520	s	*								
112551	300	180	2266	2230	s	*								
112651	300	180	2083	2070	s	*								
112751	300	180	1929	1890	s	*								
112851	300	180	1794	1780	s	*								
112951	300	180	1675	1670	s	*								
113051	300	180	1570	1570	s	*								

End

Figure 3. The 1951 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (feet)	Cooper River (feet)	Peak River at Cooper Landing (feet)	Flow at Cooper Landing (cusecs)	Discharge, 1000 cusecs												
					0	2	4	6	8	10	12	14	16	18	20	25	30
120653	700	160	919	940	s*												
120753	950	150	916	980	*												
120853	1450	150	987	1020	*s												
120953	2250	150	1084	1090	*s												
121053	1000	160	1213	1170	*s												
121153	3950	160	1493	1580	*s												
121253	4850	160	1890	2110	*												
121353	5700	150	2379	2260	*												
121453	6600	150	3609	3050	*												
121553	6700	150	3733	3780	*												
121653	5200	160	4251	4180	*												
121753	2700	160	4280	4420	s	*											
121853	900	160	3879	3730	s	*											
121953	400	160	3360	3330	s	*											
122053	300	160	2924	2890	s	*											
122153	300	160	2580	2560	s	*											
122253	300	160	2319	2330	s	*											
122353	200	160	2114	2180	s	*											
122453	200	160	1938	2000	s	*											
122553	200	160	1782	1780	s	*											
122653	100	150	1638	1670	s	*											
122753	100	150	1504	1430	s	*											
122853	100	140	1308	1350	s	*											
122953	100	140	1304	1310	s	*											
123053	100	140	1242	1240	s	*											
123153	100	140	1186	1200	s	*											
010154	100	130	1133	1120	s	*											
010254	100	130	1082	1100	s	*											

Figure 4. The 1953 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (cfs)	Troll River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Cooper Landing (obs)	0	5	10	15	20	Discharge, 1000 cfs	25	30	35	40	45
101856	840	254	1037	1050	s*										
101956	850	215	1053	1060	s*										
102056	1020	229	1179	1170	s*										
102156	1300	229	1430	1410	*										
102256	1800	212	1519	1520	*s										
102356	2700	200	1676	1670	*s										
102456	3650	198	1923	1930	*s										
102556	5300	191	2313	2260	*	s									
102656	6850	180	2951	2970	*	s									
102756	8400	202	3892	3880	*		s								
102856	10100	208	5131	5170	*			s							
102956	11800	202	6614	6680		*			s						
103056	4540	193	7124	7310		s	*								
103156	1000	184	6199	6200	s		*								
110156	250	174	5028	4970	s	*	*								
110256	100	176	4116	4050	s		*								
110356	100	174	3446	3350	s		*								
110456	100	172	2950	2940	s		*								
110556	100	170	2576	2540	s		*								
110656	100	167	2293	2160	s		*								
110756	100	161	2075	1930	s		*								
110856	100	158	1891	1700	s		*								
110956	100	160	1729	1460	s		*								
111056	100	161	1587	1390	s		*								
111156	100	161	1463	1380	s		*								
111256	100	160	1362	1380	s		*								
111356	100	156	1290	1340	s		*								
111456	100	153	1233	1260	s		*								

Figure 5. The 1956 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (est)	Trail River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (obs)	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
100758	580	664	2862	2900	s	*								
100858	860	588	2798	2880	s	*								
100958	1270	533	2771	2880	s	*								
101058	1840	490	2807	2920	s	*								
101158	2530	453	2921	3060	s*									
101258	3420	417	3130	3100		**s								
101358	5150	381	3536	3480		*	s							
101458	7200	368	4249	4400		*	s							
101558	9100	381	5313	5390		*		s						
101658	11400	377	6728	6600		*			s					
101758	11400	369	8110	8350			*			s				
101858	2930	361	8129	8040	s			*						
101958	410	342	6805	7010	s			*						
102058	270	324	5478	5340	s		*							
102158	250	307	4525	4690	s		*							
102258	240	278	3842	4040	s		*							
102358	230	262	3312	3450	s		*							
102458	220	253	2914	3080	s		*							
102558	210	242	2595	2640	s		*							

End

Figure 6. The 1958 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

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Date	Snow River (est)	Trail River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (obs)	0	S	10	15	Discharge, 1000 cfs	20	25	30	35	40	45	
										10	15	20	25	30	35	
092361	950	838	4183	4100	s	*										
092361	760	772	3971	3940	s	*										
092961	930	705	3762	3580	s	*										
093061	2840	665	3770	3380		so										
100161	5300	640	4190	4110		*	s									
100261	7050	715	5002	5040		*	s									
100361	7800	1010	6117	6260		*	s									
100461	9300	1040	7399	7340		*	s									
100561	11400	936	8782	8680		*	s									
100661	15000	821	10509	10400				*	s							
100761	17700	730	12840	12900				*	s							
100861	20000	680	12530	13000	s				co							
100961	380	615	9833	9690	s		*									
101061	480	542	7951	7740	s	*	*	*								
101161	530	488	6499	6380	s		*									
101261	610	461	5395	5330	s		*									
101361	660	444	4626	4490	s		*									
101461	570	440	4078	3980	s		*									
101561	520	420	3619	3540	s		*									
101661	470	404	3261	3220	s		*									
101761	400	392	2980	2930	s		*									
101861	360	373	2729	2690	s		*									
101961	310	354	2517	2560	s		*									
102061	220	351	2341	2340	s		*									
102161	110	354	2188	2130	s		*									

End

Figure 7. The 1961 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (obs)	Troll River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (obs)	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
091664	720	845	4514	4690	s	*								
091764	860	815	4237	4710	s	co								
091864	3000	955	4271	4960	s	co								
091964	6000	1640	5106	5720		cos								
092064	9200	1660	6761	7760		cos	s							
092164	13500	1570	8964	9200			*	s						
092264	15400	1520	11546	11600			*	s						
092364	16700	1370	14279	13100				o c s						
092464	11500	1180	15496	12200				so	c					
092564	3430	1010	13766	12200	s				o	c				
092664	2080	900	11144	9790	s				o	c				
092764	1610	820	9341	9220	s		*							
092864	1620	755	8006	8030	s		*							
092964	2220	725	7036	7690	s	co								
093064	1780	760	6322	6000	s	oc								
100164	1450	755	5698	5140	s	o c								
100264	1270	735	5162	4740	s	oc								
100364	1140	675	4734	4440	s	*								
100464	1270	626	4396	4240	s	*								
100564	1730	594	4162	4100	s	*								

End

Figure 8. The 1964 observed Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

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Date	Snow River (est)	Troll River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (obs)	0	5	10	15	20	Discharge, 1000 cfs	25	30	35	40	45	
082367	1800	1900	9212	9000	s	*										
082467	3500	1800	8878	9000	s	*										
082567	4300	1700	8859	9000	s	*										
082667	4300	1600	8874	9000	s	*										
082767	3300	1500	8696	8500	s	*										
082867	5400	1600	8695	8580	s	*										
082967	11700	1700	9777	10200		*	s									
083067	18200	1800	12707	12700		*	s									
083167	27500	2000	18299	18200							*	s				
090167	7500	2010	20156	20700		s					co					
090267	1000	1990	16150	15600	s						oc					
090367	1000	1820	12644	12400	s		*									
090467	1000	1630	10657	10900	s		*									
090567	1000	1520	9334	9700	s		*									
090667	1000	1560	8361	8860	s		co									

End

Figure 9. The 1967 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow Flow (obs)	Troll River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Rainfall (obs)	Discharge, 1000 cfs							
	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45		
090770	1520	1220	5493	5460	s	*						
090870	1300	1090	5288	5310	s	*						
090970	1290	961	5028	5090	s	*						
091070	1300	861	4780	4820	s	*						
091170	1330	785	4556	4630	s	*						
091270	1500	735	4361	4480	s	*						
091370	1750	716	4222	4430	s	*						
091470	2300	734	4189	4480	s	co						
091570	3060	781	4310	4670	s	*						
091670	4020	812	4598	4910		co						
091770	5440	789	5106	5270		*						
091870	7540	773	5945	5890		*	s					
091970	10400	754	7194	6760		*	s					
092070	13500	712	8840	7920		o	c	s				
092170	15400	658	10748	9540		o	c	s				
092270	16500	597	12751	11400		o	c	s				
092370	6070	538	12788	12100	s		o	c				
092470	1290	503	10619	10300	s		*					
092570	704	467	8524	8680	s		*					
092670	960	451	6975	7260	s		co					
092770	930	449	5823	6140	s		*					
092870	841	460	4977	5270	s		co					
092970	704	473	4375	4650	s		*					
093070	664	471	3907	4110	s		*					

End

Figure 10. The 1970 observed Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (obs)	Troll River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Discharge, 1000 cfs						
	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
090774	1560	1180	5054	4920	s	*				
090874	1460	1040	4960	4620	s	oc				
090974	1340	917	4796	4320	s	oc				
091074	1900	843	4655	4120	s	oc				
091174	4030	904	4804	4400		oc				
091274	6950	1470	5730	4970		oc	s			
091374	6550	1790	7080	5750		oc				
091474	6690	1710	8154	6430		o	c			
091574	12100	2120	9750	7640		o	c	s		
091674	10800	3100	12204	9510		o	s	c		
091774	11100	2950	14630	11100		o		c		
091874	14400	2580	16878	13000		o	s	c		
091974	20000	2100	19564	15600		o		cs		
092074	23800	1910	22759	19000		o		cs		
092174	19700	2090	24645	22500		s		o	c	
092274	7700	1850	22444	21100		s		o	c	
092374	5150	1580	17966	17300	s		oc			
092474	5930	1530	14843	14200	s		o	c		
092574	5730	1480	13137	12500	s		oc			
092674	2880	1500	11691	10900	s		oc			
092774	1800	1700	10344	9180	s		o	c		
092874	1300	1600	9335	7860	s		o	c		
092974	1000	1500	8405	6710	s		o	c		
093074	800	1400	7572	5750	s		o	c		

End

Figure 11. The 1974 observed Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

Date	Snow River (obs)	Trail River (obs)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (comp)	Kenai River at Cooper Landing (obs)	0	5	10	15	20	25	30	35	40	45
	Discharge, 1000 cfs													
082677	3960	2000	9208	9070	s	*								
082777	4000	1850	8718	8690	s	*								
082877	4220	1670	8377	8430	s	*								
082977	4540	1560	8185	8210	s	*								
083077	5800	1490	8133	8100	s	*								
083177	5800	1350	8246	8100	s	*								
090177	7240	1290	8602	8340	s	*								
090277	9100	1250	9271	8780	oc									
090377	12000	1150	10370	9820		oc	s							
090477	14500	1090	12069	11200		o	c	s						
090577	15900	1040	14180	13100		o	c	s						
090677	13300	979	15506	14900				s	oc					
090777	6810	1110	14650	14600		s		*						
090877	3510	1320	12506	12700	-s			*						
090977	2110	1350	10652	10900	s			*						
091077	2250	1270	9320	9540	s			*						
091177	3020	1320	8477	8740	s			*						
091277	1900	1390	7796	8120	s			*						

End

Figure 12. The 1977 observed Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

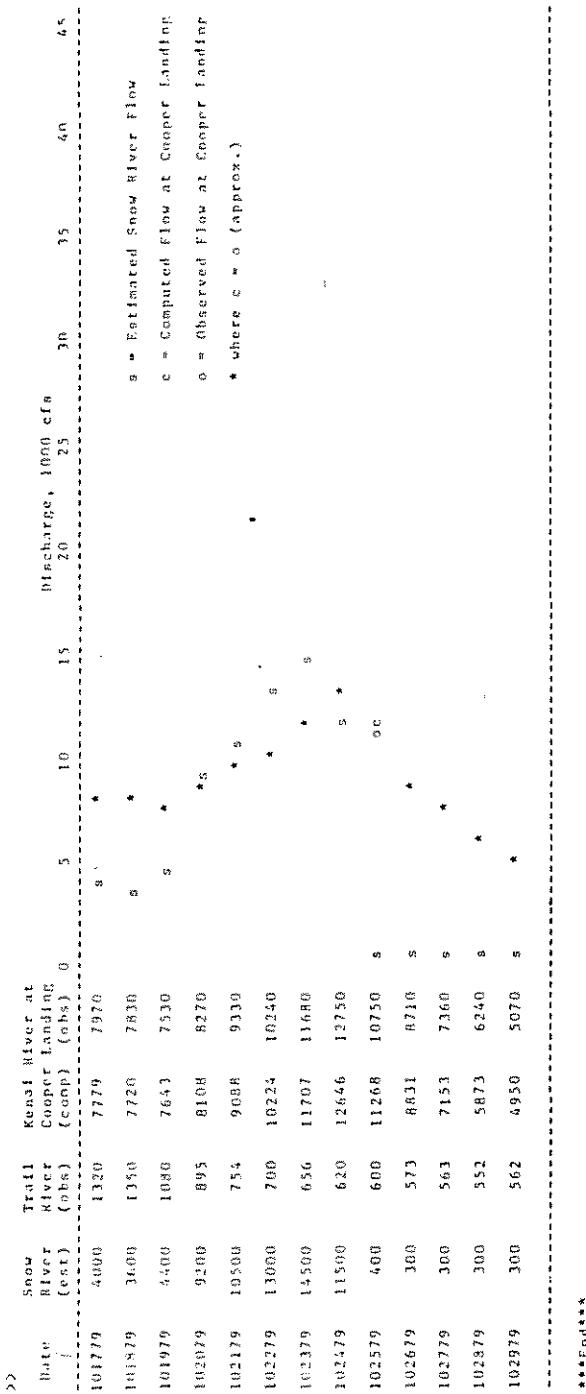


Figure 13. The 1979 estimated Snow River jokulhlaup hydrograph and the resulting reconstitution of the Cooper Landing hydrograph.

THE SUBGLACIAL OUTLET

The glacier-dammed lake drains from the bottom of the lake and the water issues from under the glacier terminus some five miles down the valley. Little else is known about the lake outlet. It is convenient to think of it as a tunnel which may or may not remain partially open between events. In any case, some mechanism plugs the outlet and causes the lake to fill. Some other mechanism triggers the jokulhlaup, be it lifting, fracturing, or something else, that allows the lake water to begin flowing out. Once begun, the tunnel or, more specifically, the hydraulic control, is enlarged by melting, with most of the heat being derived from the potential energy of the very high head. The water contains very little transferable heat energy by virtue of its temperature which must be near the freezing point. Some erosion must also occur by physical scouring due to high velocity flow. Post and Mayo (1971) state that the cross-sectional area of the tunnel, i.e., the control, is proportional to the volume of water that has already passed through it.

A five-mile long tunnel is hardly an orifice; nevertheless, the orifice flow formula is convenient to apply in this work. In view of the very high head and the very small outlet, i.e., relative to the head, the orifice formula might be appropriate, as well. Considering all the uncertainties and assumptions, it is a reasonable choice. The formula states:

$$Q = CA\sqrt{2gh}$$

where Q = discharge in cfs

C = coefficient of discharge

A = cross-sectional area of the orifice in ft^2

g = 32.2 ft/sec^2

h = head, in ft, the depth of water that produces discharge.

The initial head can be determined by flying over the lake and estimating the lake level based on the visible markers. The coefficient, C , and the area, A , are both unknown, but it is not necessary to determine them separately. It is only necessary to determine their product, CA , and the procedure for doing that follows.

COMPUTATION OF OUTLET TUNNEL EXPANSION RATE

There is no practical way to measure or otherwise determine the outlet tunnel dimensions during a jokulhlaup. It is a simple procedure, however, to compute the product CA for use in the orifice formula. Referring to figure 14, the procedure is described step-by-step below.

The intervening area/base flow is similar to the base flow of a storm runoff hydrograph; it is that part of the total flow that

did not come from the glacier-dammed lake. Before and after the jokulhlaup, it is the total flow. It is only necessary to sketch a line connecting a point on the hydrograph just before the event with a point just after the event. The shape of the line is an estimate of the hydrograph that would have obtained had the jokulhlaup not occurred. In most cases, the shape is similar to the concurrent Trail River hydrograph.

The glacier-dammed lake outflow is the difference between the total Snow River flow and the intervening area/base flow. The flows tabulated in these three columns are average flows for a 24 hr period. They can also be considered volumes in units of 24 hr cfs.

The accumulated outflow is the summation of the glacier-dammed lake outflows, converted to acre-ft. These are instantaneous values at the end of each day.

The lake volume remaining is simply the complement of the accumulated outflow.

The head is obtained from the storage versus head relationship using the remaining volume.

The instantaneous lake outflow at the end of the day is read from the jokulhlaup hydrograph and corresponds to the head.

The product CA is obtained from the orifice formula using the head and discharge, thus:

$$CA = Q/\sqrt{2gh}$$

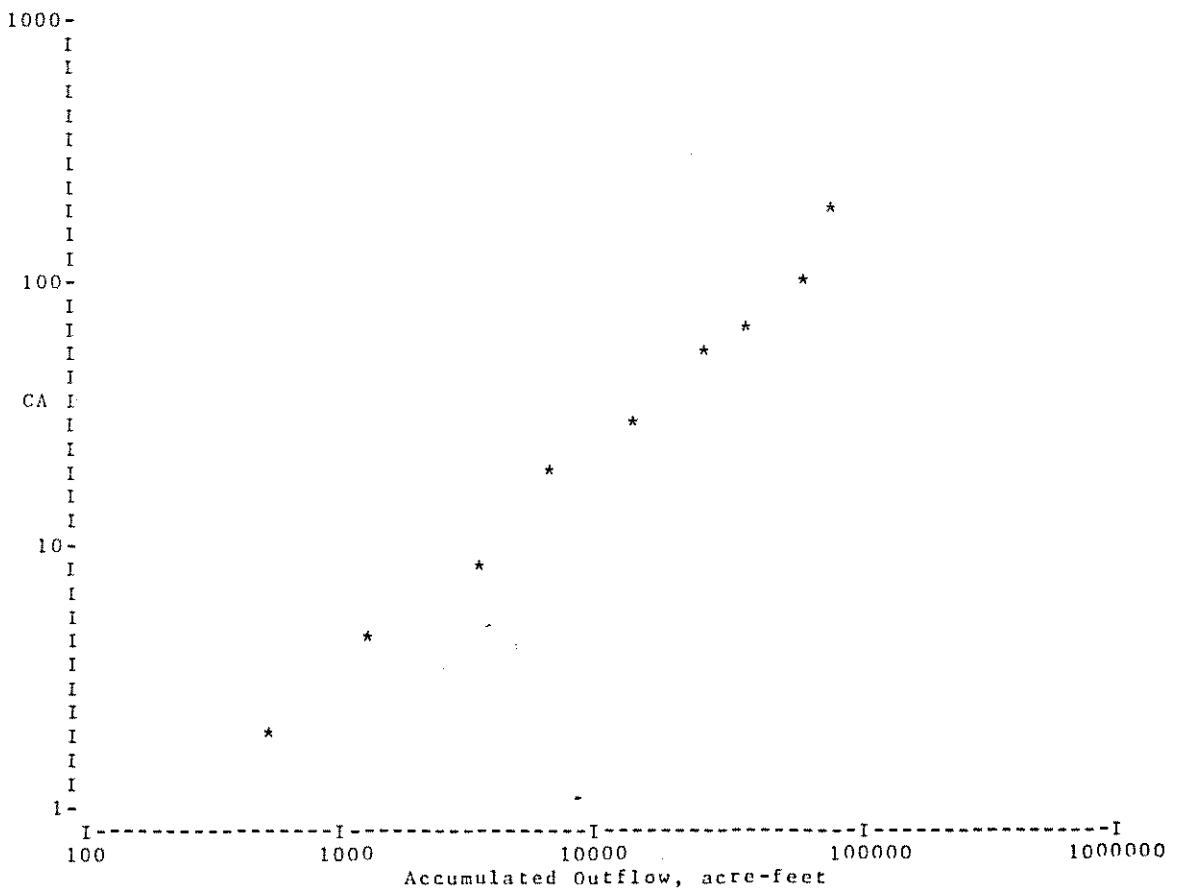
Plotting CA versus accumulated outflow usually yields a straight line up to the point at which orifice control is lost. This verifies that the cross-sectional area of the tunnel is proportional to the volume of water that has passed through the tunnel. It also provides a basis upon which a forecast procedure can be developed.

Figures 14 through 25 show the computed values and CA plots for all the Snow River jokulhlaups of record. The fact that the lake dumps rapidly on some occasions and slowly on others is reflected in the different slopes of the CA plots. Some of the plots seem to curve up near the end. Several plausible explanations can be conceived but the most likely explanation is that the storage versus head relationship is grossly inaccurate.

JOKULHLAUP FORECAST PROCEDURE

In 1969, and in subsequent years, several lake-level markers were installed which are visible from the air. Hydrologists from the Alaskan River Forecast Center periodically fly over the lake

Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
101749	1360.	1360.	0.	0.	116392.	0.	376.6	0.00
101849	1650.	1650.	0.	0.	116392.	1.	376.6	0.01
101949	1830.	1560.	270.	536.	115856.	350.	375.4	2.25
102049	1990.	1530.	460.	1448.	114944.	680.	373.3	4.39
102149	2580.	1490.	1090.	3610.	112782.	1350.	368.3	8.77
102249	3330.	1480.	1850.	7279.	109113.	2905.	359.8	19.08
102349	5400.	1440.	3960.	15134.	101258.	5100.	341.1	34.41
102449	7910.	1430.	6480.	27987.	88405.	7560.	309.0	53.59
102549	10200.	1560.	8640.	45124.	71268.	10170.	263.0	78.15
102649	13900.	2200.	11700.	68331.	48061.	12850.	193.0	115.25
102749	16400.	2400.	14000.	96099.	20293.	14900.	92.6	192.97
102849	11600.	2320.	9280.	114506.	1886.	3000.	9.8	119.12
102949	3180.	2230.	950.	116390.	2.	475.	0.3	0.00



End

Figure 14. The 1949 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

Otherwise, enter zero (0)

Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out-flow (cfs)	Accum Out-flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out-flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
110551	1500.	1500.	0.	0.	78000.	0.	281.6	0.00
110651	1300.	1300.	0.	0.	78000.	50.	281.6	0.37
110751	1300.	1200.	100.	198.	77802.	120.	281.0	0.89
110851	1400.	1200.	200.	595.	77405.	250.	280.0	1.86
110951	1500.	1200.	300.	1190.	76810.	350.	278.3	2.61
111051	1600.	1200.	400.	1983.	76017.	698.	276.2	5.23
111151	2050.	1055.	995.	3957.	74043.	1443.	270.7	10.92
111251	2800.	910.	1890.	7706.	70294.	2763.	260.2	21.34
111351	4400.	765.	3635.	14916.	63084.	3558.	239.4	28.65
111451	4100.	620.	3480.	21818.	56182.	4153.	218.7	34.99
111551	5300.	475.	4825.	31388.	46612.	5998.	188.3	54.46
111651	7500.	330.	7170.	45610.	32390.	8935.	139.1	94.39
111751	11000.	300.	10700.	66833.	11167.	10000.	53.7	170.06
111851	5400.	300.	5100.	76949.	1051.	2000.	5.6	104.86
111951	800.	300.	500.	77940.	60.	265.	0.6	0.00

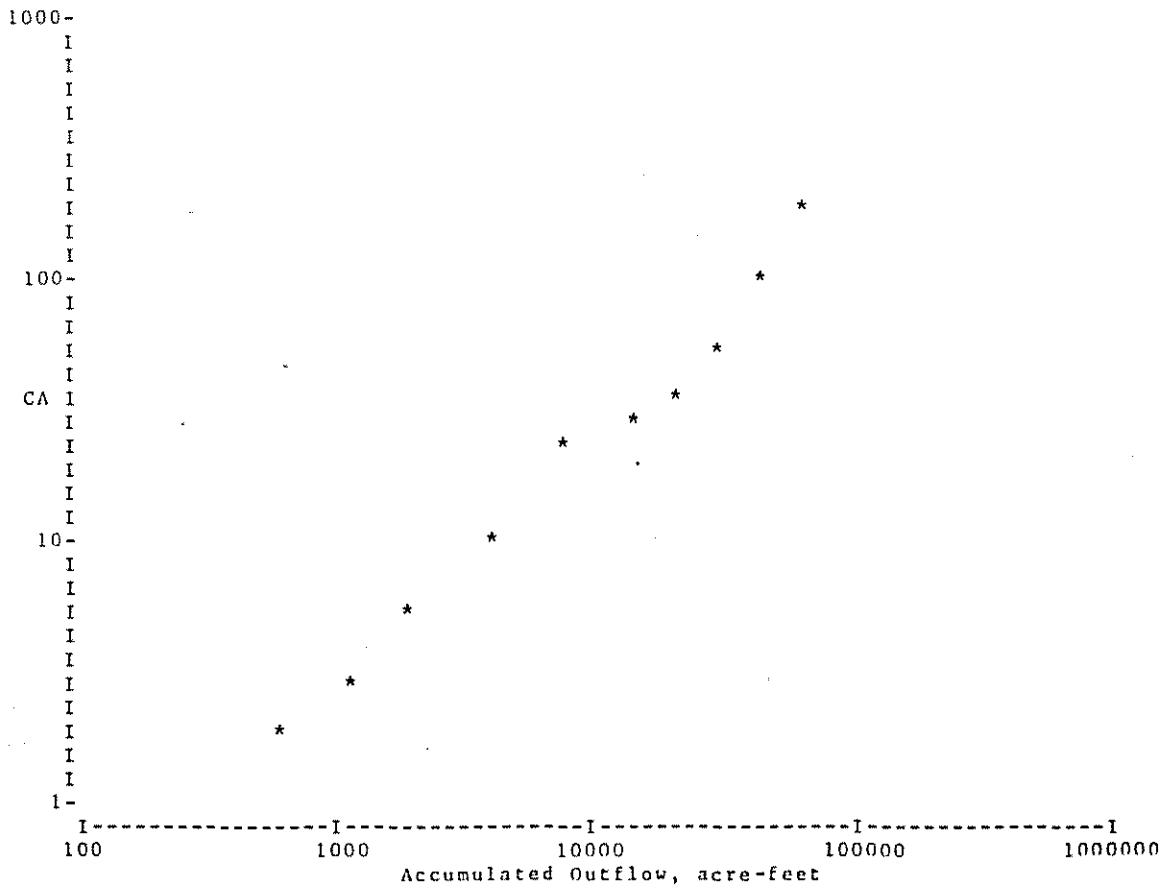


Figure 15. The 1951 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

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Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
120553	600.	600.	0.	0.	80100.	75.	287.2	0.55
120653	700.	550.	150.	298.	79802.	300.	286.4	2.21
120753	950.	500.	450.	1190.	78910.	725.	284.0	5.36
120853	1450.	450.	1000.	3174.	76926.	1425.	278.7	10.64
120953	2250.	400.	1850.	6843.	73257.	2250.	268.5	17.11
121053	3000.	350.	2650.	12099.	68001.	3143.	253.7	24.58
121153	3950.	315.	3635.	19309.	60791.	4093.	232.6	33.44
121253	4850.	300.	4550.	28334.	51766.	4975.	204.9	43.31
121353	5700.	300.	5400.	39045.	41055.	5850.	169.7	55.96
121453	6600.	300.	6300.	51540.	28560.	6500.	124.9	72.47
121553	6700.	300.	6400.	64235.	15865.	5650.	74.2	81.75
121653	5200.	300.	4900.	73954.	6146.	3650.	30.6	82.24
121753	2700.	300.	2400.	78714.	1386.	1500.	7.3	69.00
121853	900.	300.	600.	79904.	196.	349.	1.3	38.24

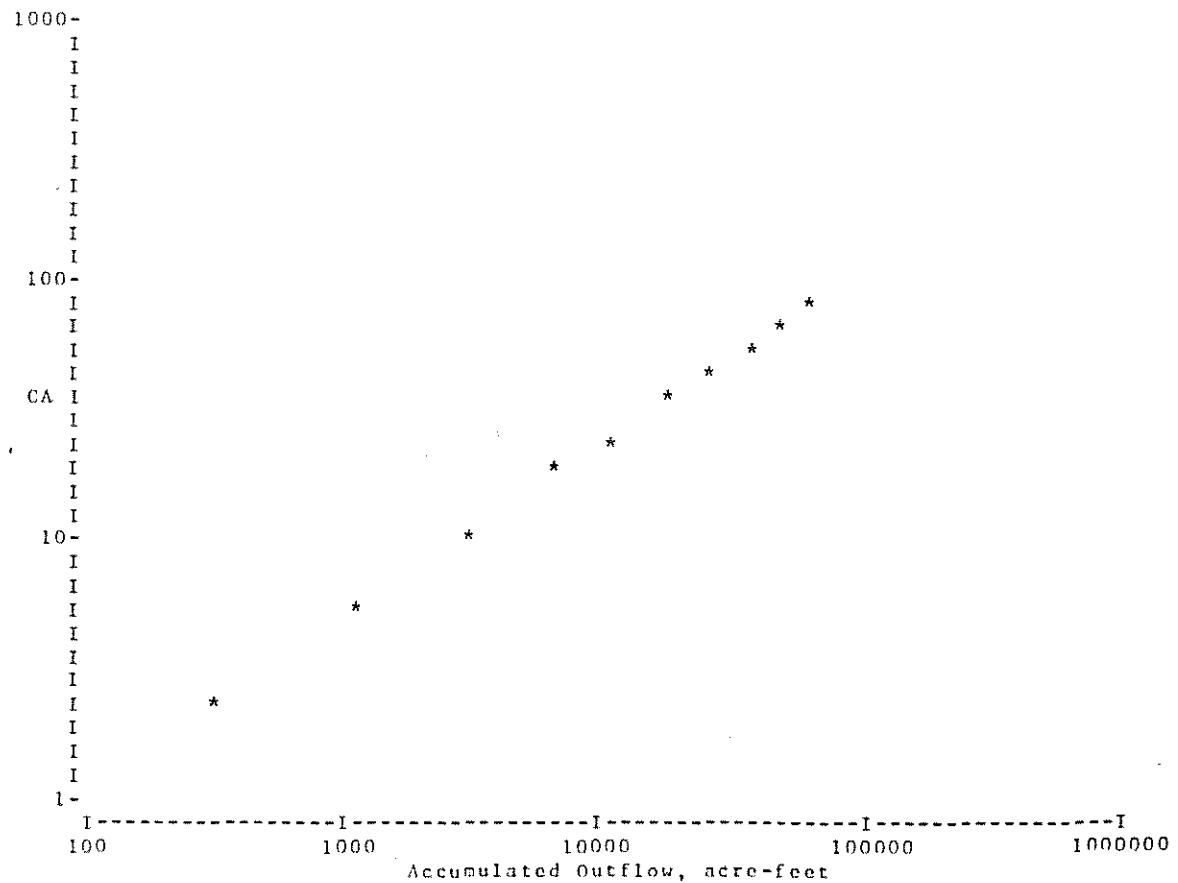
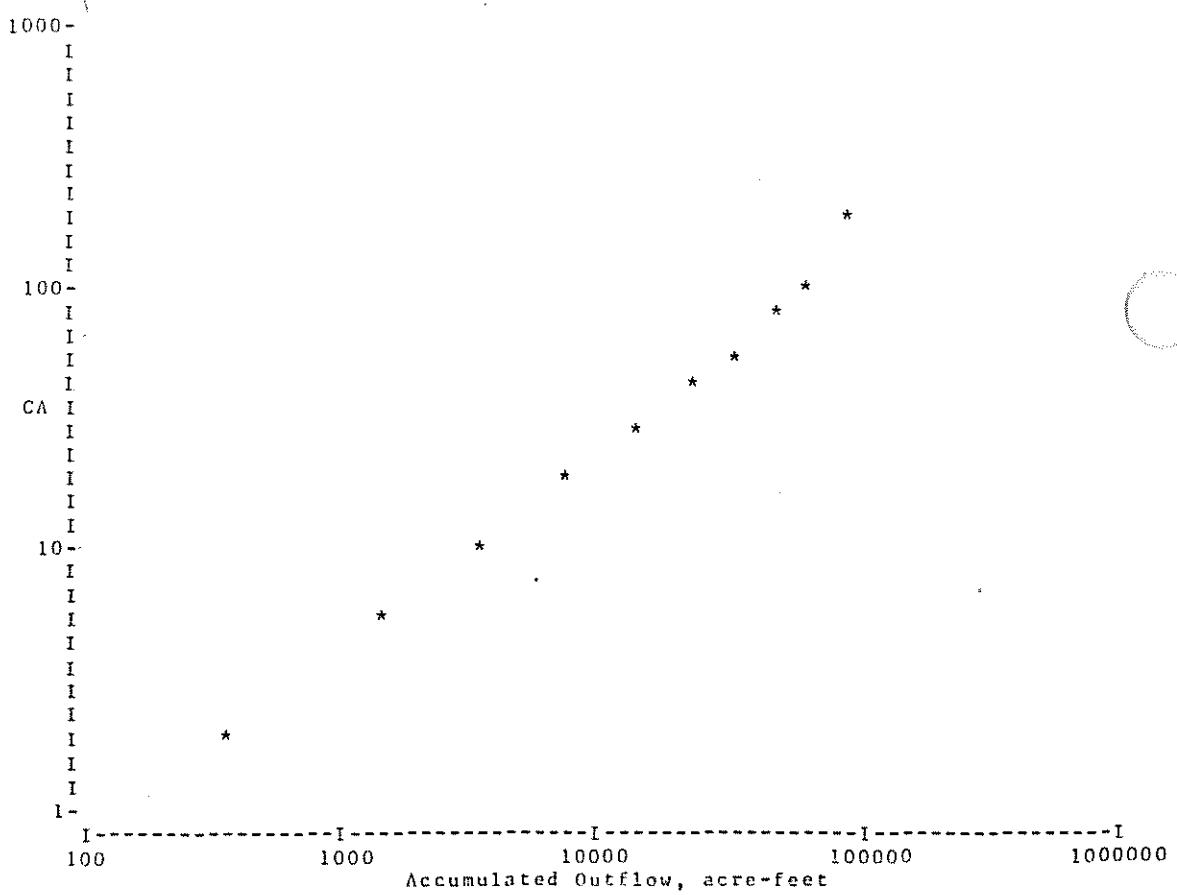


Figure 16. The 1953 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
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101756	830.	830.	0.	0.	105200.	0.	350.6	0.00
101856	840.	840.	0.	0.	105200.	0.	350.6	0.00
101956	850.	840.	10.	20.	105180.	80.	350.5	0.53
102056	1020.	840.	180.	377.	104823.	300.	349.7	2.00
102156	1300.	750.	550.	1468.	103732.	850.	347.1	5.69
102256	1800.	650.	1150.	3749.	101451.	1645.	341.6	11.09
102356	2700.	560.	2140.	7993.	97207.	2660.	331.2	18.21
102456	3650.	470.	3180.	14301.	90899.	4045.	315.4	28.38
102556	5300.	390.	4910.	24040.	81160.	5705.	290.1	41.74
102656	6850.	350.	6500.	36932.	68268.	7245.	254.5	56.59
102756	8400.	410.	7990.	52780.	52420.	8840.	207.0	76.57
102856	10100.	410.	9690.	72000.	33200.	10565.	142.1	110.44
102956	11800.	360.	11440.	94691.	10509.	10600.	50.7	185.43
103056	4540.	250.	4290.	103200.	2000.	2000.	10.4	77.21
103156	1000.	140.	860.	104906.	294.	504.	1.8	46.84

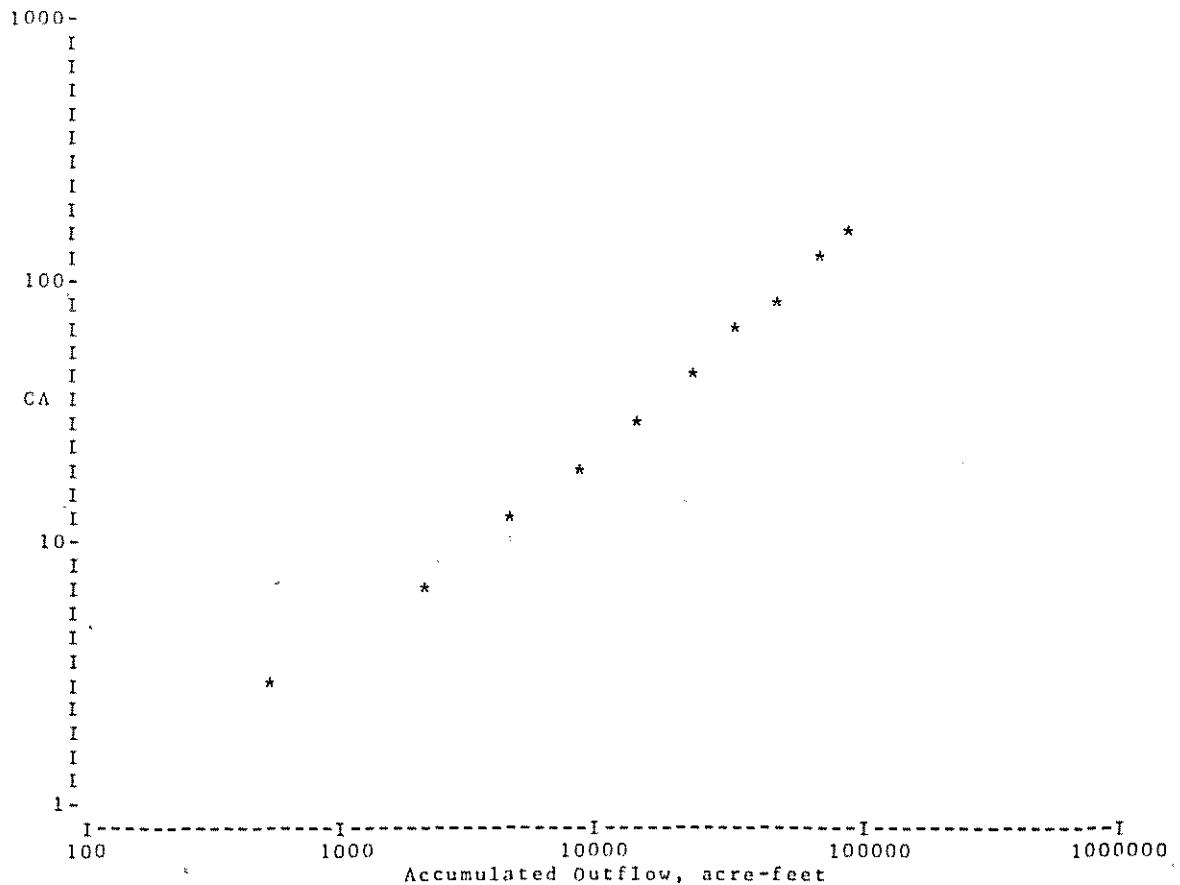


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Figure 17. The 1956 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

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Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River Flow	Int.A /Base Flow	Lake Out- flow	Accum flow	Remain Volume	Out- flow	Lake Head	CA
	(cfs)	(cfs)	(cfs)	(acft)	(acft)	(cfs)	(ft)	(sqft)
100758	580.	580.	0.	0.	104500.	10.	348.9	0.07
100858	860.	580.	280.	555.	103945.	390.	347.6	2.61
100958	1270.	520.	750.	2043.	102457.	1050.	344.0	7.05
101058	1840.	490.	1350.	4721.	99779.	1710.	337.5	11.60
101158	2530.	460.	2070.	8826.	95674.	2530.	327.4	17.42
101258	3420.	430.	2990.	14757.	89743.	3870.	312.5	27.28
101358	5150.	400.	4750.	24178.	80322.	5785.	287.8	42.49
101458	7200.	380.	6820.	37706.	66794.	7780.	250.3	61.28
101558	9100.	360.	8740.	55041.	49459.	9900.	197.5	87.78
101658	11400.	340.	11060.	76978.	27522.	12000.	121.0	135.94
101758	11400.	320.	11080.	98955.	5545.	5800.	27.7	137.26
101858	2930.	300.	2630.	104172.	328.	1380.	2.0	122.44
101958	410.	280.	130.	104430.	70.	83.	0.7	0.00



End

Figure 18. The 1958 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----	-----
092761	950.	950.	0.	0.	142000.	0.	432.0	0.00
092861	760.	760.	0.	0.	142000.	0.	432.0	0.00
092961	930.	700.	230.	456.	141544.	500.	431.1	3.00
093061	2840.	660.	2180.	4780.	137220.	3200.	422.1	19.41
100161	5300.	640.	4660.	14023.	127977.	5495.	402.3	34.14
100261	7050.	720.	6330.	26578.	115422.	6565.	374.4	42.28
100361	7800.	1000.	6800.	40066.	101934.	7550.	342.7	50.82
100461	9300.	1000.	8300.	56529.	85471.	9380.	301.4	67.32
100561	11400.	940.	10460.	77276.	64724.	12320.	244.2	98.23
100661	15000.	820.	14180.	105402.	36598.	17300.	154.2	173.58
100761	17700.	700.	17000.	139121.	2879.	9226.	14.8	298.98

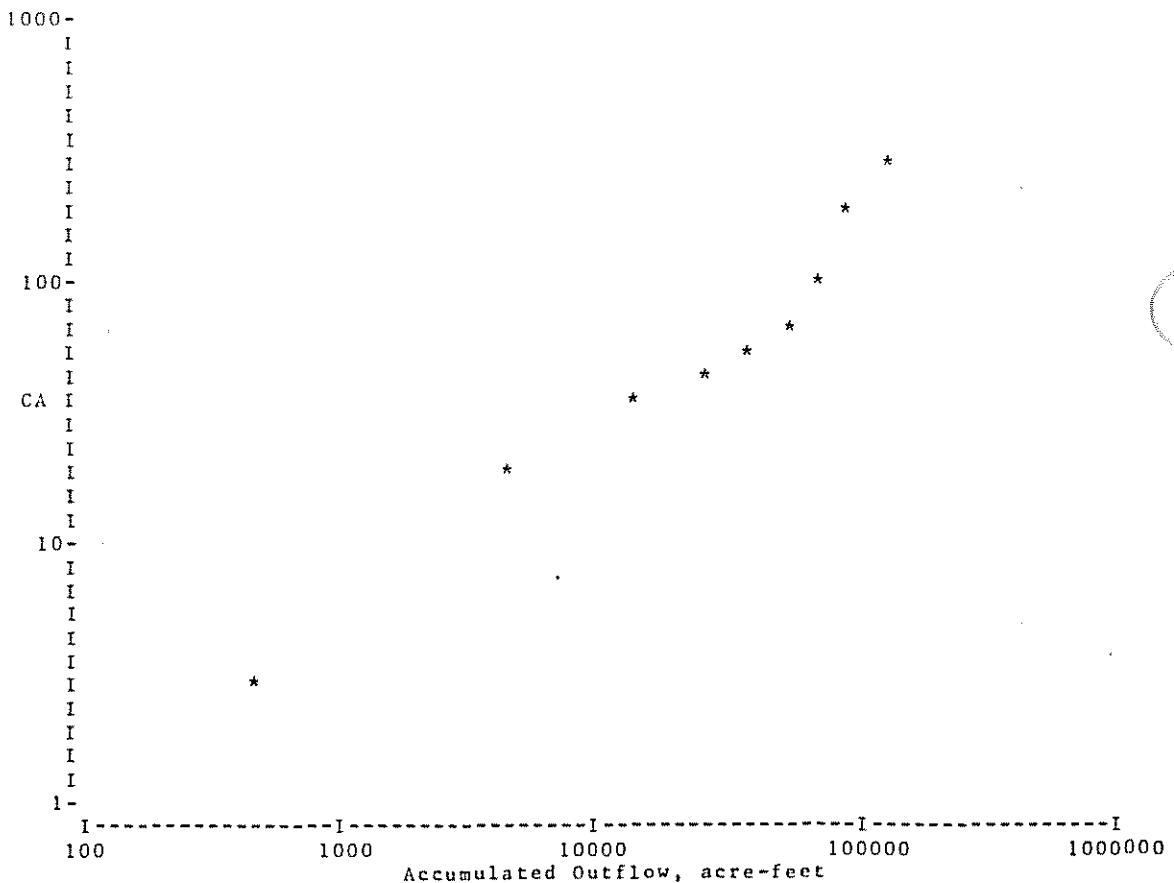
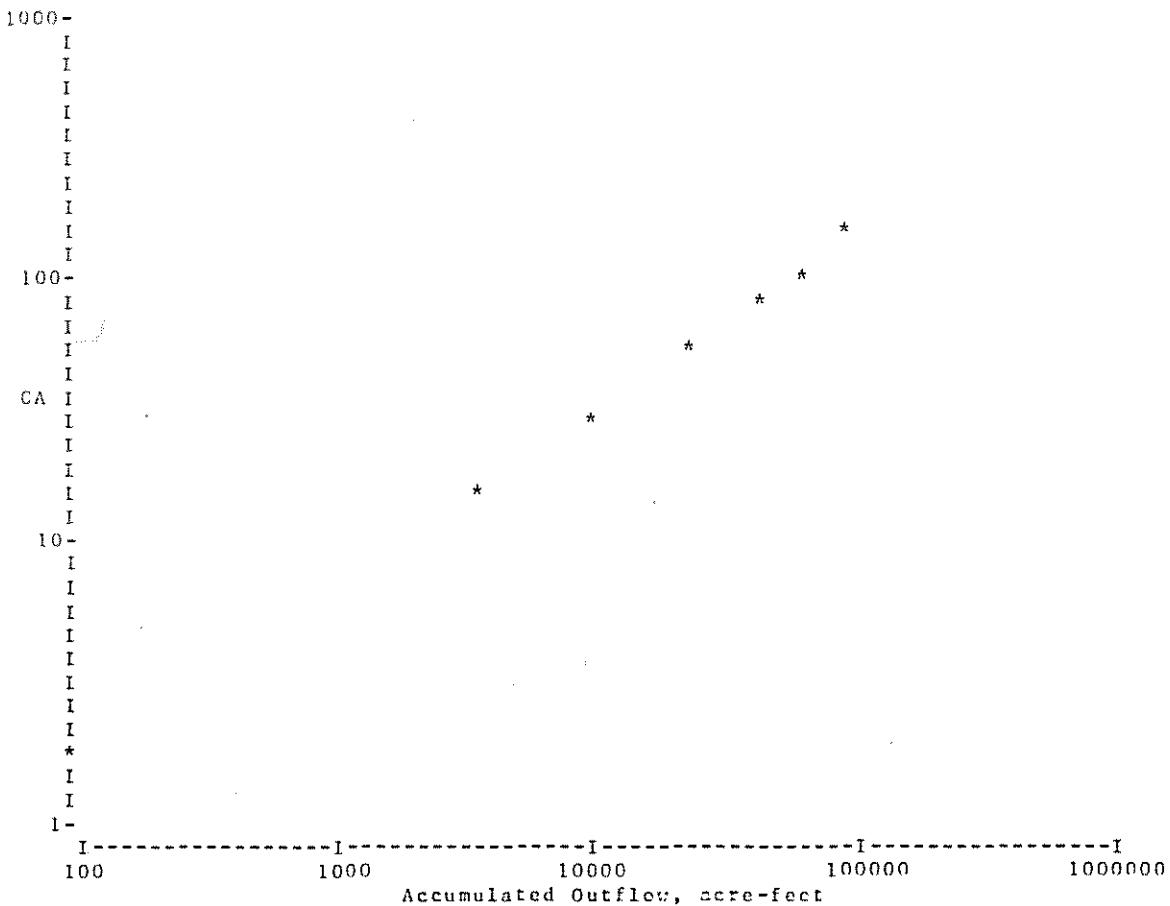


Figure 19. The 1961 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume, (acft)	Out- flow (cfs)	Lake Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
091564	760.	760.	0.	0.	125600.	0.	397.1	0.00
091664	720.	720.	0.	0.	125600.	25.	397.1	0.16
091764	860.	810.	50.	99.	125501.	300.	396.9	1.88
091864	3000.	1100.	1900.	3868.	121732.	2825.	388.6	17.86
091964	6000.	2250.	3750.	11306.	114294.	5300.	371.8	34.25
092064	9200.	2350.	6850.	24893.	100707.	9120.	339.8	61.65
092164	13500.	2110.	11390.	47484.	78116.	12370.	281.9	91.81
092264	15400.	2050.	13350.	73964.	51636.	14015.	204.5	122.13
092364	16700.	2020.	14680.	103081.	22519.	14000.	101.5	173.13
092464	11500.	1980.	9520.	121964.	3636.	3000.	18.5	86.90
092564	3430.	1900.	1530.	124998.	602.	915.	3.4	62.13
092664	2080.	1780.	300.	125593.	7.	152.	0.3	0.00

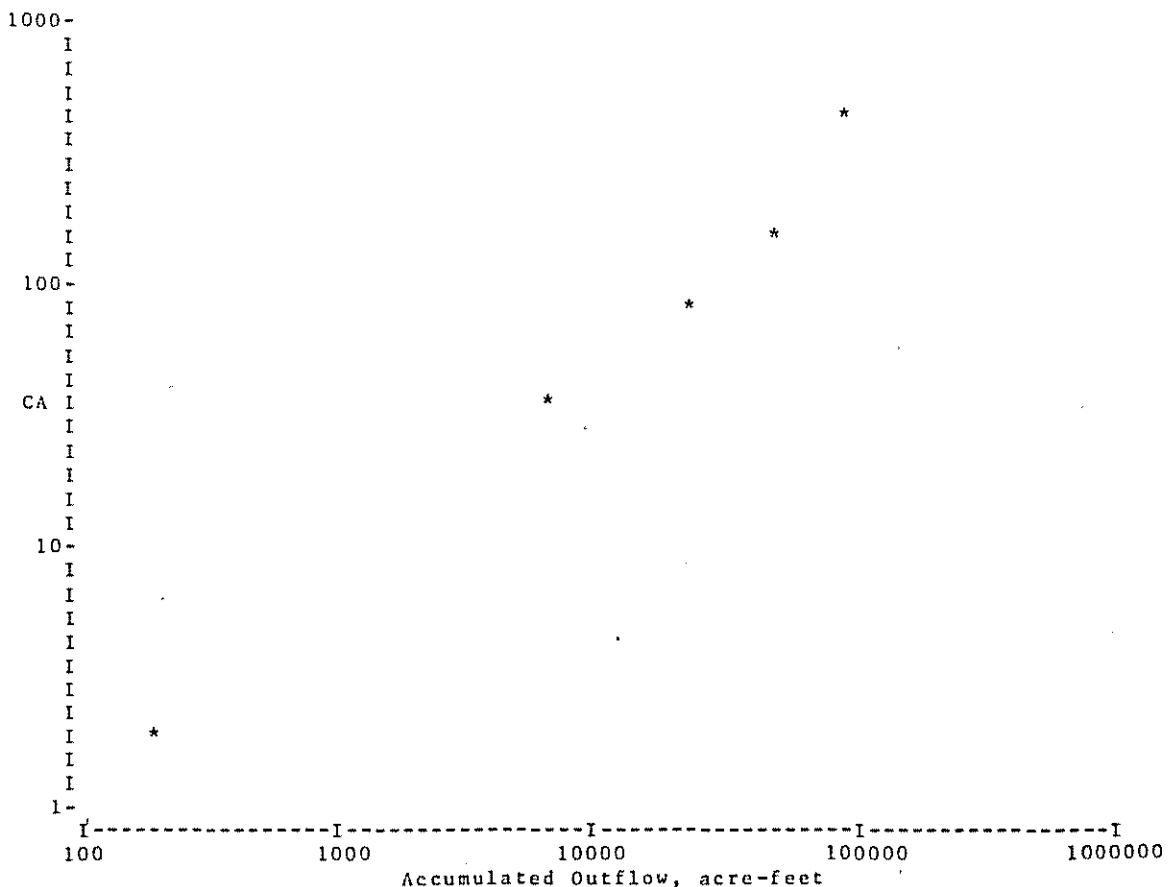


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Figure 20. The 1964 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

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Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
082667	4300.	4300.	0.	0.	122000.	1.	389.2	0.01
082767	3300.	3200.	100.	198.	121802.	300.	388.8	1.90
082867	5400.	2000.	3400.	6942.	115058.	6200.	373.6	39.97
082967	11700.	1600.	10100.	26975.	95025.	13800.	325.8	95.27
083067	18200.	1600.	16600.	59901.	62099.	21800.	236.5	176.63
083167	27500.	1800.	25700.	110876.	11124.	28000.	53.5	477.01
090167	7500.	1900.	5600.	121983.	17.	800.	0.4	0.00



End

Figure 21. The 1967 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
090870	1300.	1300.	0.	0.	153000.	0.	454.3	0.00
090970	1290.	1290.	0.	0.	153000.	30.	454.3	0.18
091070	1300.	1240.	60.	119.	152881.	120.	454.0	0.70
091170	1380.	1200.	180.	476.	152524.	260.	453.3	1.52
091270	1500.	1160.	340.	1150.	151850.	485.	452.0	2.84
091370	1750.	1120.	630.	2400.	150600.	925.	449.5	5.44
091470	2300.	1080.	1220.	4820.	148180.	1620.	444.6	9.57
091570	3060.	1040.	2020.	8826.	144174.	2520.	436.5	15.03
091670	4020.	1000.	3020.	14817.	138183.	3750.	424.1	22.69
091770	5440.	960.	4480.	23702.	129298.	5550.	405.2	34.36
091870	7540.	920.	6620.	36833.	116167.	8070.	376.1	51.85
091970	10400.	880.	9520.	55716.	97284.	11090.	331.4	75.91
092070	13500.	840.	12660.	80826.	72174.	13630.	265.5	104.23
092170	15400.	800.	14600.	109785.	43215.	15170.	177.0	142.08
092270	16500.	760.	15740.	141005.	11995.	10545.	57.4	173.47
092370	6070.	720.	5350.	151616.	1384.	2980.	7.3	137.20

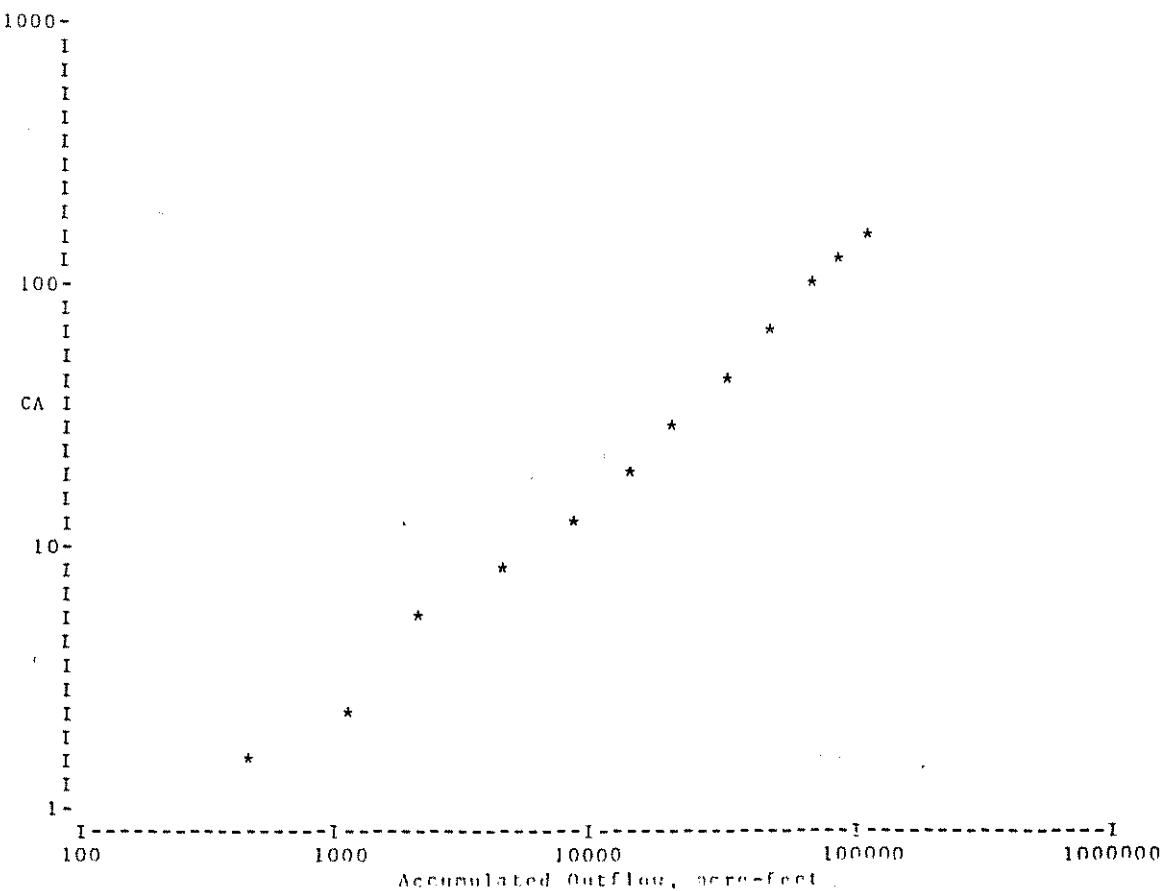


Figure 22. The 1970 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

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Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period				
	Snow River	Int.A /Base Flow	Lake Out- flow	Accum Out- flow	Remain Volume	Lake Out- flow	Head	CA
	(cfs)	(cfs)	(cfs)	(acft)	(acft)	(cfs)	(ft)	(sqft)
090974	1340.	1340.	0.	0.	195000.	0.	532.6	0.00
091074	1900.	1800.	100.	198.	194802.	265.	532.2	1.43
091174	4030.	3600.	430.	1051.	193949.	690.	530.7	3.73
091274	6950.	6000.	950.	2936.	192064.	1750.	527.4	9.50
091374	6550.	4000.	2550.	7993.	187007.	3070.	518.4	16.80
091474	6690.	3100.	3590.	15114.	179886.	4295.	505.5	23.80
091574	12100.	7100.	5000.	25031.	169969.	5900.	487.1	33.31
091674	10800.	4000.	6800.	38519.	156481.	8150.	461.2	47.29
091774	11100.	1600.	9500.	57362.	137638.	11450.	422.9	69.38
091874	14400.	1000.	13400.	83940.	111060.	16200.	364.3	105.76
091974	20000.	1000.	19000.	121626.	73374.	20900.	268.9	158.83
092074	23800.	1000.	22800.	166849.	28151.	18000.	123.4	201.93
092174	19700.	6500.	13200.	193031.	1969.	3700.	10.3	143.93
092274	7700.	6707.	993.	195000.	0.	0.	0.0	0.00
092374	5150.	5150.	0.	195000.	0.	0.	0.0	0.00

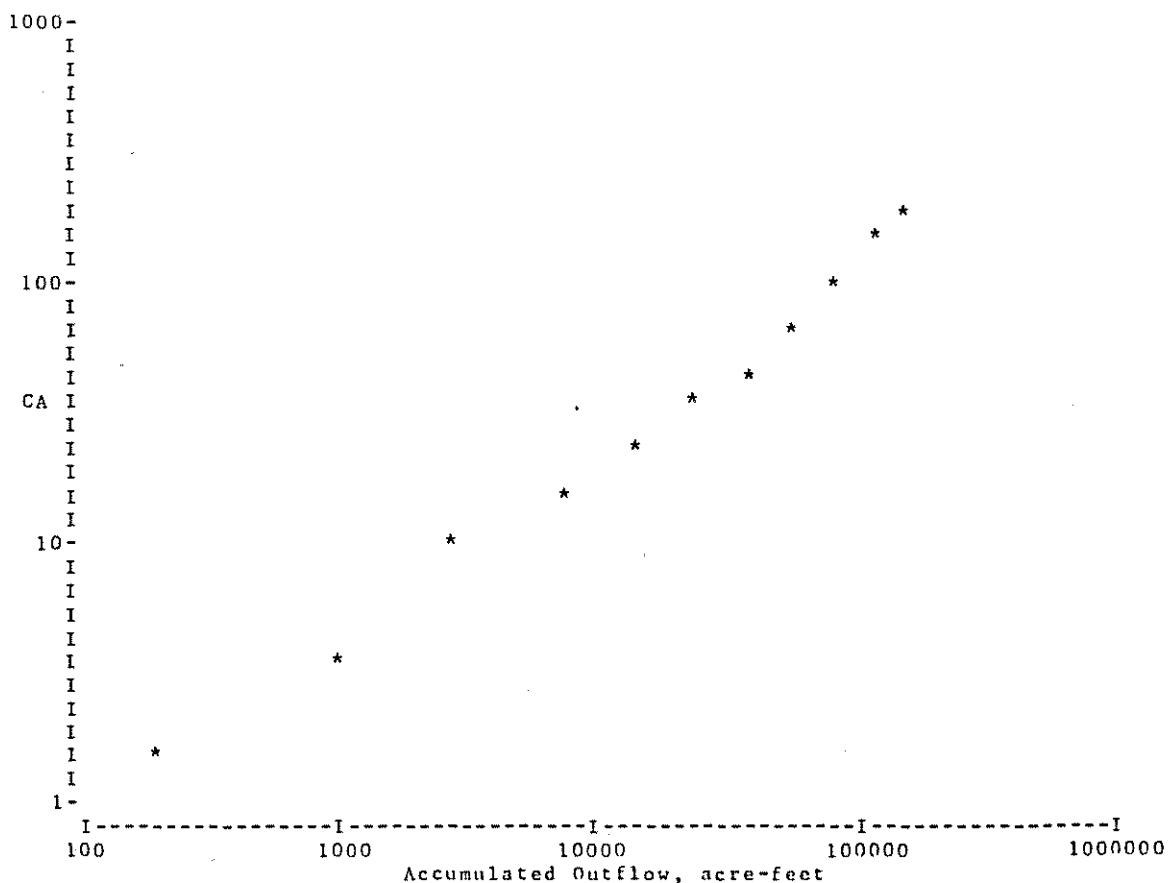


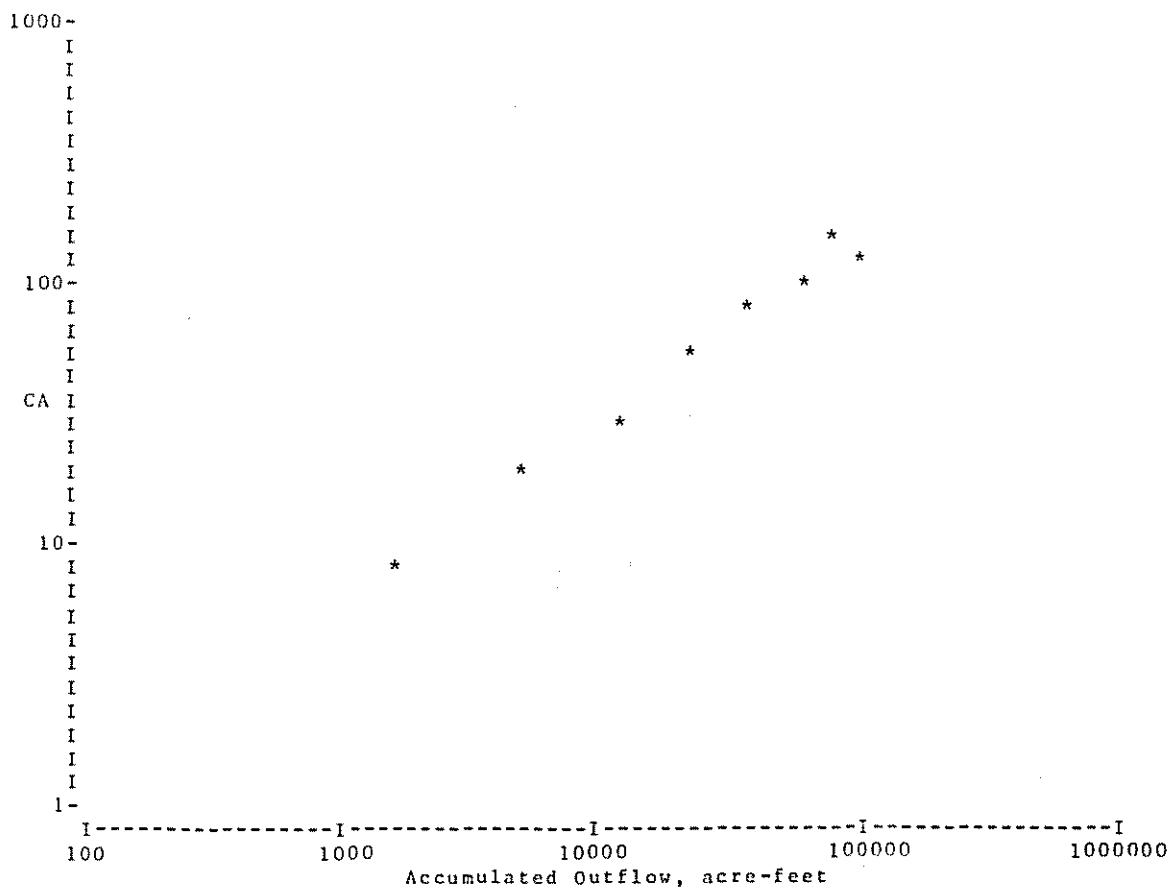
Figure 23. The 1974 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

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24-hr Average Values

Values at End of 24-hr Period

Date	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- (cfs)	Accum Out- (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Lake Out- (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
082977	4540.	4540.	0.	0.	122500.	0.	390.3	0.00
083077	5000.	4200.	800.	1587.	120913.	1350.	386.8	8.55
083177	5800.	3900.	1900.	5355.	117145.	2770.	378.3	17.75
090177	7240.	3600.	3640.	12575.	109925.	4670.	361.7	30.60
090277	9100.	3400.	5700.	23881.	98619.	7250.	334.7	49.38
090377	12000.	3200.	8800.	41336.	81164.	10150.	290.1	74.26
090477	14500.	3000.	11500.	64145.	58355.	12300.	225.3	102.11
090577	15900.	2800.	13100.	90129.	32371.	13900.	139.1	146.88
090677	13300.	2600.	10700.	111352.	11148.	7555.	53.6	128.58
090777	6810.	2400.	4410.	120099.	2401.	2810.	12.4	99.39

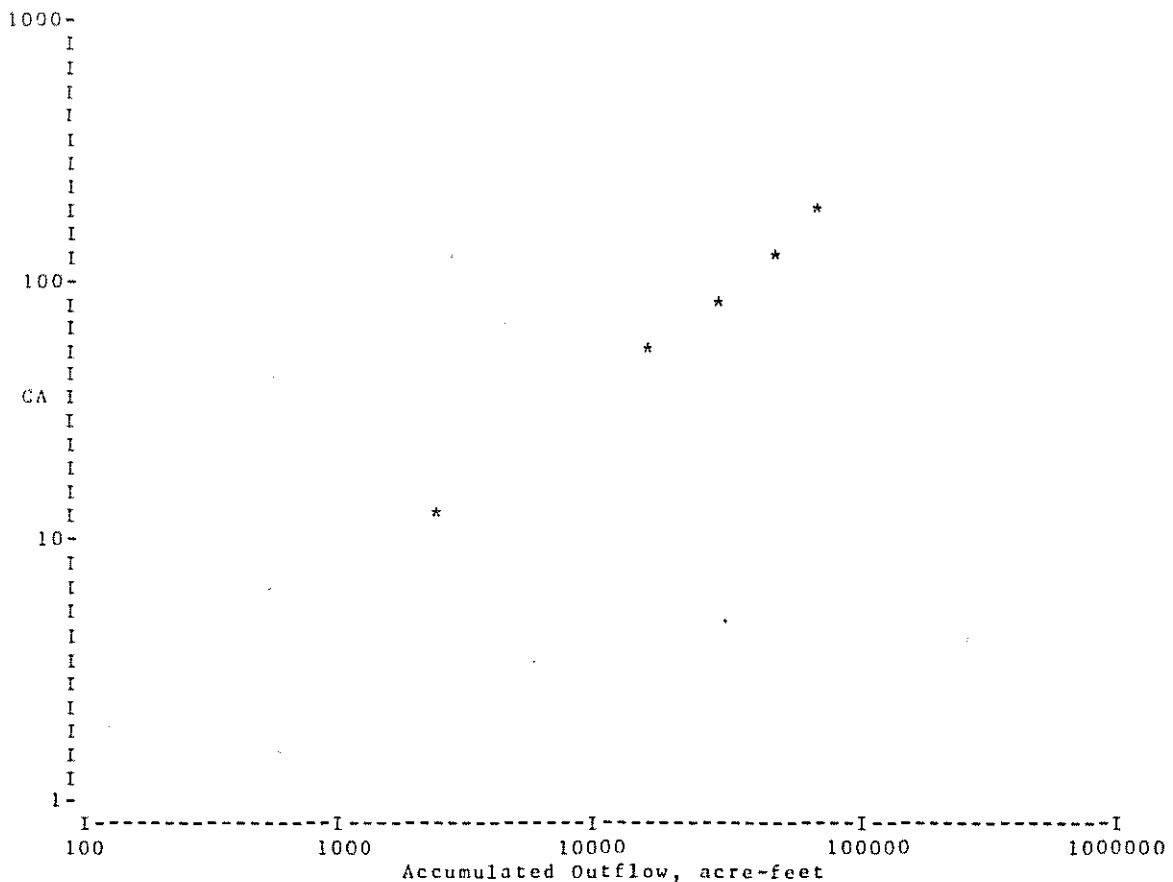


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Figure 24. The 1977 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

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Date	24-hr Average Values			Values at End of 24-hr Period					
	Snow River	Int.A /Base	Lake Flow	Accum Out- flow	Remain- ing (acft)	Lake Volume (acft)	Out- flow (cfs)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
	(cfs)	(cfs)	(cfs)	(acft)	(acft)	(cfs)	(ft)	(sqft)	
101779	4000.	4000.	0.	0.	103000.	0.	345.3	0.00	
101879	3600.	3600.	0.	0.	103000.	0.	345.3	0.00	
101979	4400.	3100.	1300.	2579.	100421.	2000.	339.1	13.53	
102079	9200.	2600.	6600.	15669.	87331.	7500.	306.3	53.40	
102179	10500.	2100.	8400.	32331.	70669.	9900.	261.3	76.32	
102279	13000.	1600.	11400.	54942.	48058.	12400.	193.0	111.22	
102379	14500.	1100.	13400.	81521.	21479.	14400.	97.4	181.84	
102479	11500.	671.	10829.	103000.	0.	0.	0.0	0.00	
102579	400.	400.	0.	103000.	0.	0.	0.0	0.00	



End

Figure 25. The 1979 jokulhlaup CA versus accumulated outflow.

to determine whether it is near the level at which it may dump. If it has reached that level, a jokulhlaup is imminent, but it is still not possible to predict just when it will occur. The frequency of aerial observation is then increased, noting the lake level, photographing everything that might be of value in later studies, looking closely at the lake edges for evidence of falling stage, and observing the glacier terminus for signs of lake drainage. At the RFC, the operational Snow River hydrograph is watched closely for any change that might indicate the start of the jokulhlaup. When that change appears, an aerial reconnaissance will be made, weather permitting, to verify that the jokulhlaup has started. The river observer will be asked to make two or more stage readings per day and to report them immediately to the RFC.

On the second or third day, while the lake outflow is still small, the CA versus accumulated outflow relationship will already have been established and the total jokulhlaup hydrograph can be forecast.

The forecast procedure is simple, but tedious if done manually. A computer program was developed which requires as input the observed Snow River flows up to date, the forecast non-jokulhlaup flows (same as routine daily runoff forecasts), the beginning lake elevation or storage, and the slope and intercept of the logarithmic equation of CA versus accumulated outflow as defined at the time. While the slope and intercept determination could be programmed, better estimates may be made visually, especially early in the event and when CA is less than 1.0.

The program works by selecting a discharge expected 24 hr after the last observation or determination. With those two values, the average flow determines the volume of outflow for the day which in turn determines the remaining lake volume and the head. Applying the orifice formula, a value for CA is obtained which corresponds to the selected discharge and the head. Another CA value is obtained from the CA versus accumulated outflow relationship. If the two values of CA are alike (within 1%), the selected discharge is correct. If they are not alike, another discharge is systematically selected and the procedure repeated until agreement is reached. The program then proceeds to the next day and the next. Eventually, agreement cannot be reached because orifice control will have been lost due to low head. Then the program projects the hydrograph in a straight line to zero flow, the line being sloped to contain the remaining lake volume which is small. The forecast is updated daily as better definition of the CA versus accumulated outflow relationship evolves.

PROGRAM TO FORECAST SNOW RIVER JOKULHLAUPS

The computer program for forecasting jokulhlaups on Snow River is written for the Cromemco microcomputer in 32K Structured

Basic. The program follows, along with sample output shown in tables 2 through 5.

FORECAST PROCEDURE VERIFICATION

For verification of the forecast procedures, the 1970 and 1977 events, which had different dump rates, were used. Each was computed on two dates and the resulting flows are compared with the recorded flows at the Snow River gage and at Cooper Landing in tables 6 through 9. The flows are not strictly comparable as the computed flows are instantaneous values at the daily observation times while the recorded flows are mean daily values. The stages at Cooper Landing are also compared, based on the computed and observed flows and the discharge rating curve presently in use by the RFC, which is not necessarily the rating curve in use during the actual events. Since the purpose of this exercise is to test the jokulhlaup forecast procedure, not the procedures for forecasting Trail River and other areas, observed values were used for Trail River and near-perfect hindcasting was used for the other areas excepting the glacier-dammed lake. The results suggest that the jokulhlaup forecast procedure is an unusually reliable procedure.

CONCLUSION

It has been demonstrated that, during a jokulhlaup on Snow River, the cross-sectional area of the outlet of the glacier-dammed lake is proportional to the amount of water that has passed through the outlet. That proportion differs from event to event but it reveals itself early in each event, and that enables forecasting the total jokulhlaup several days in advance of the peak flow. A computer program was developed which produces that forecast, the output from which can be entered directly into the Kenai River forecast procedures.

A common question that arises is: Will this method work on other glacier-dammed lakes? Probably yes, if they drain through subglacial outlets and if the necessary data are available. The latter condition usually rules in the negative, however.

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10 Rem: FILE "JOKLP" : Cromemco 32K Structured Basic
20 Rem: Program to forecast Snow River jokulhlaups
30 Rem: D. Chapman 12/15/80
40 Rem: Date of last change: 12/18/80
50 Rem
60 Dim Snowq(30),Baseq(30),Eodq(30)
70 Dim Avout(30),Accout(30),Remvol(30),H(30),Ca(30),Cf(30)
80 Integer Mo(30),Day(30),Yr(30),J,K,Kk
90 K=0 : J=1
100 Open\1,30\KENLKQS"
110 Input"If this is a new event, enter Y: ",A$
120 If Binor(A$="Y",A$="y") Then Do
130   Input"Enter starting date (Mo,Day,Yr): ",Mo(K),Day(K),Yr(K)
140   @ : @"Enter observed daily discharges. (Enter 1E7 to end.)" : @
150   If Mo(K)=2 Then 180
160   Numdays=30.5+0.5*(-1***(Int(Abs(Mo(K)-7.5))))
170   Goto 230
180   If Fra(Yr(K)/4.0) Then Do
190     Numdays=28
200     Else
210     Numdays=29
220     Enddo
230     Repeat
240     If Day(K)<=Numdays Then 280
250     Day(K)=1 : Mo(K)=Mo(K)+1 : If Mo(K)>12 Then 270
260     Goto 280
270     Mo(K)=1 : Yr(K)=Yr(K)+1
280     @ Using"##",Mo(K);Day(K);Yr(K);
290     Input" SNOWQ: ",Snowq(K) : Lastq=Snowq(K)
300     Day(K+1)=Day(K)+1 : Mo(K+1)=Mo(K) : Yr(K+1)=Yr(K) : Kl=K : K=K+1
310     Until Lastq>=1000000.0
320     K=0 : If J>1 Then K=K2
330     On J Goto 340,480
340     For Kk=0 To Kl
350       Put\1,Kk\Mo(Kk),Day(Kk),Yr(Kk),Snowq(Kk)
360     Next Kk
370     Else
380     @ : @ : @"These are the flows in the file:"
390     Repeat
400     Get\1,K\Mo(K),Day(K),Yr(K),Snowq(K),Baseq(K)
410     @ Using"##",Mo(K);Day(K);Yr(K); : @ Tab(20);Snowq(K)
420     K=K+1
430     Until Snowq(K-1)=0
440     @"If flows need revising, rerun as a new event."
450     @ : @"Update observed flows. (Enter 1E7 to end)" :
460     J=2 : K2=K-1 : K=K2 : Goto 150
470     Enddo
480     @ : @"Enter lake surface elevation in feet or"
490     Input"beginning storage in acre-feet: ",Poolelev
500     If Poolelev>3000.0 Then 550
510     Starting`head=Poolelev-2300
520     If Starting`head<0 Then @"Bad entry" : Goto 480
530     Starting`storage=((Starting`head+748.0)^3.0)/8620.0-48600.0
540     Goto 560
550     Starting`storage=Poolelev
560     Kk=0 : @ : @"Enter new estimated intervening area/base flows,"
570     @"or re-enter values used in previous run."
580     Repeat
590     @ Using"##",Mo(Kk),Day(Kk),Yr(Kk)
600     @"SNOW RIVER Q....."; : @ Using"####",Snowq(Kk)
610     @"PREVIOUSLY USED INT. AREA Q..."; : @ Using"####",Baseq(Kk)
620     Input"NEW ESTIMATED INT. AREA Q.... ",Baseq(Kk)
630     Eodq(Kk)=Snowq(Kk)-Baseq(Kk)
640     If Kk=0 Then Avout(Kk)=0 : Accout(Kk)=0 : Goto 670
650     Avout(Kk)=1.98347*0.5*(Eodq(Kk-1)+Eodq(Kk))
660     Accout(Kk)=Accout(Kk-1)+Avout(Kk)
670     Remvol(Kk)=Starting`storage-Accout(Kk)
680     H(Kk)=(Remvol(Kk)*8620.0+419000000.0)*(1.0/3.0)-748
690     If H(Kk)<1 Then Ca(Kk)=0 : H(Kk)=0 : Goto 720
700     Ca(Kk)=Eodq(Kk)/Sqr(64.4*H(Kk))
710     Kk=Kk+1
720     Until Snowq(Kk)>=1000000.0
730     J=1
740     K=0
750     Repeat

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760 Put\1,K\Mo(K),Day(K),Yr(K),Snowq(K),Baseq(K),Eodq(K)
770 K=K+1
780 Until Snowq(K-1)>=1000000.0
790 On J Goto 800,1480
800 @ : @ Tab(6); "Instantaneous Values at Time of Daily Observation"
810 @-----"
820 @ Tab(10); "Snow Int.A Lake Accum Remain"
830 @ Tab(10); "River /Base Out- Out- Volume Head CA"
840 @ " Date Flow Flow flow flow"
850 @ Tab(10); "(cfs) (cfs) (cfs) (acft) (acft) (ft) (sqft)"
860 @-----"
870 @ : K=0
880 Repeat
890 @ Using "&&",Mo(K);Day(K);Yr(K);
900 @ Tab(9); : @ Using "###.",Snowq(K);
910 @ Tab(17); : @ Using "###.",Baseq(K);
920 @ Tab(24); : @ Using "###.",Eodq(K);
930 @ Tab(33); : @ Using "###.",Accout(K);
940 @ Tab(42); : @ Using "###.",Remvol(K);
950 @ Tab(50); : @ Using "###.",H(K);
960 @ Tab(55); : @ Using "###.#",Ca(K)
970 K=K+1
980 Until Snowq(K)>=1000000.0
990 @-----"
1000 On J Goto 1010,1410
1010 @ : @ : @"Plot CA vs. Accum. Outflow on log grid."
1020 @ "Choose best-fit straight line."
1030 @ "Determine slope,M, and intercept,B, in the"
1040 @ "equation Log CA = M*Log(Accum Outflow)+B."
1050 @ "(Base 10 logs. B may require a minus sign.)"
1060 Input"Enter slope,intercept. ",M,B
1070 Rem
1080 Rem Jokulhlaup forecast procedure follows:
1090 Rem
1100 Incr=1000.0 : Tryql=0.0 : J=0 : J1=0 : Cf(K-1)=1000.0
1110 Day(K)=Day(K-1)+1 : Mo(K)=Mo(K-1) : Yr(K)=Yr(K-1)
1120 If Day(K)<=Numdays Then 1140
1130 Day(K)=1 : Mo(K)=Mo(K)+1 : If Mo(K)>12 Then Mo(K)=1 : Yr(K)=Yr(K)+1
1140 Tryq2=Tryql+Incr*j1
1150 Accout(K)=0.5*(Eodq(K-1)+Tryq2)*1.98347+Accout(K-1)
1160 Remvol(K)=Starting`storage-Accout(K)
1170 If Remvol(K)<0 Then 1270
1180 H(K)=(Remvol(K)*8620.0+419000000.0)^(1.0/3.0)-748
1190 If H(K)<1 Then Ca(K)=0 : H(K)=0 : Goto 1410
1200 Ca(K)=Tryq2/Sqr(64.4*H(K))
1210 Testca=10.0^(M*Log(Accout(K))/Log(10)+B)
1220 Cf(K)=Testca-Ca(K)
1230 If Cf(K)>Cf(K-1) Then 1270
1240 If Abs((Ca(K)-Testca)/Testca)<=0.01 Then 1290
1250 J=J+1 : If J>=60 Then 1300
1260 If Ca(K)<Testca Then Tryql=Tryq2 : J1=1 : Goto 1140
1270 If Incr<1E-05 Then K=K-1 : Goto 1300
1280 Incr=Incr/10.0 : J1=1 : Goto 1140
1290 Eodq(K)=Tryq2 : Snowq(K)=0 : Baseq(K)=0 : K=K+1 : Goto 1100
1300 Basetime=2.0*(Remvol(K-1)/1.98347)/Eodq(K-1)
1310 If Basetime>1.0 Then 1350
1320 Eodq(K)=0 : Accout(K)=Starting`storage : Remvol(K)=0 : H(K)=0
1330 Ca(K)=0 : Snowq(K)=0 : Baseq(K)=0 : Snowq(K+1)=10000000.0
1340 J=2 : Goto 800
1350 Eodq(K)=(Basetime-1.0)*(Eodq(K-1)/Basetime)
1360 Accout(K)=Accout(K-1)+0.5*(Eodq(K-1)+Eodq(K))*1.98347
1370 Remvol(K)=Starting`storage-Accout(K)
1380 If Remvol(K)<0 Then H(K)=0
1390 H(K)=(Remvol(K)*8620.0+419000000.0)^(1.0/3.0)-748
1400 Ca(K)=0 : Snowq(K)=0 : Baseq(K)=0 : K=K+1 : Goto 1300
1410 Snowq(K)=0.0
1420 For Kk=K-1 To K+7
1430 Day(Kk)=Day(Kk-1)+1 : Mo(Kk)=Mo(Kk-1) : Yr(Kk)=Yr(Kk-1)
1440 If Day(Kk)<=Numdays Then 1470
1450 Day(Kk)=1 : Mo(Kk)=Mo(Kk)+1 : If Mo(Kk)>12 Then Mo(Kk)=1 : Yr(Kk)=Yr(Kk)+1
1460 Put\1,Kk\Mo(Kk),Day(Kk),Yr(Kk)
1470 Next Kk
1480 For Kk=0 To K+7
1490 Put\1,Kk\Mo(Kk),Day(Kk),Yr(Kk),Snowq(Kk),Baseq(Kk),Eodq(Kk)
1500 Next Kk
1510 Close\1\
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TABLE 2

Output from Jokulhlaup Forecast Program

Date of Forecast: 9 12 70

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Instantaneous Values at Time of Daily Observation

Date	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- (cfs)	Accum Out- (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
090870	1300.	1300.	0.	0.	153000.	454.3	0.00
090970	1290.	1290.	0.	0.	153000.	454.3	0.00
091070	1300.	1240.	60.	60.	152940.	454.2	0.35
091170	1380.	1200.	180.	298.	152702.	453.7	1.05
091270	1500.	1160.	340.	813.	152187.	452.7	1.99
091370	0.	0.	810.	1954.	151046.	450.4	4.76
091470	0.	0.	1510.	4255.	148745.	445.8	8.91
091570	0.	0.	2600.	8331.	144669.	437.5	15.49
091670	0.	0.	4100.	14975.	138025.	423.7	24.82
091770	0.	0.	6100.	25091.	127909.	402.2	37.90
091870	0.	0.	8400.	39471.	113529.	370.1	54.41
091970	0.	0.	11000.	58711.	94289.	324.0	76.16
092070	0.	0.	13000.	82512.	70488.	260.8	100.31
092170	0.	0.	13400.	108694.	44306.	180.7	124.23
092270	0.	0.	11200.	133091.	19909.	91.0	146.29
092370	0.	0.	4951.	149109.	3891.	19.7	0.00
092470	0.	0.	0.	153000.	0.	0.0	0.00

End

TABLE 3

Output from Jokulhlaup Forecast Program
 Date of Forecast: 9 19 70

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Instantaneous Values at Time of Daily Observation

Date	Snow River Flow (cfs)	Int.A /Base Flow (cfs)	Lake Out-flow (cfs)	Accum Out-flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
090870	1300.	1300.	0.	0.	153000.	454.3	0.00
090970	1290.	1290.	0.	0.	153000.	454.3	0.00
091070	1300.	1240.	60.	60.	152940.	454.2	0.35
091170	1380.	1200.	180.	298.	152702.	453.7	1.05
091270	1500.	1160.	340.	813.	152187.	452.7	1.99
091370	1750.	1120.	630.	1775.	151225.	450.7	3.70
091470	2300.	1080.	1220.	3610.	149390.	447.1	7.19
091570	3060.	1040.	2020.	6823.	146177.	440.6	11.99
091670	4020.	1000.	3020.	11821.	141179.	430.3	18.14
091770	5440.	960.	4480.	19259.	133741.	414.7	27.41
091870	7540.	920.	6620.	30268.	122732.	390.8	41.73
091970	10400.	880.	9520.	46274.	106726.	354.2	63.03
092070	0.	0.	12400.	68013.	84987.	300.2	89.19
092170	0.	0.	14400.	94592.	58408.	225.5	119.50
092270	0.	0.	13800.	122559.	30441.	132.0	149.69
092370	0.	0.	7596.	143778.	9222.	44.9	0.00
092470	0.	0.	1391.	152690.	310.	1.9	0.00
000000	0.	0.	0.	153000.	0.	0.0	0.00

End

TABLE 4

Output from Jokulhlaup Forecast Program
 Date of Forecast: 9 2 77

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Instantaneous Values at Time of Daily Observation

Date	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- (cfs)	Accum Out- (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
082977	4540.	4540.	0.	0.	122500.	390.3	0.00
083077	5000.	4200.	800.	793.	121707.	388.5	5.06
083177	5800.	3900.	1900.	3471.	119029.	382.6	12.10
090177	7240.	3600.	3640.	8965.	113535.	370.1	23.58
090277	9100.	3400.	5700.	18228.	104272.	348.4	38.06
090377	0.	0.	8000.	31815.	90685.	314.9	56.18
090477	0.	0.	10000.	49666.	72834.	267.4	76.21
090577	0.	0.	11200.	70691.	51809.	205.0	97.47
090677	0.	0.	10800.	92509.	29991.	130.3	117.90
090777	0.	0.	8000.	111154.	11346.	54.5	135.04
090877	0.	0.	2406.	121474.	1026.	5.5	0.00
090977	0.	0.	0.	122500.	0.	0.0	0.00

End

TABLE 5

Output from Jokulhlaup Forecast Program

Date of Forecast: 9 4 77

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Instantaneous Values at Time of Daily Observation

Date	Snow River (cfs)	Int.A /Base (cfs)	Lake Out- flow (cfs)	Accum Out- flow (acft)	Remain Volume (acft)	Head (ft)	CA (sqft)
082977	4540.	4540.	0.	0.	122500.	390.3	0.00
083077	5000.	4200.	800.	793.	121707.	388.5	5.06
083177	5800.	3900.	1900.	3471.	119029.	382.6	12.10
090177	7240.	3600.	3640.	8965.	113535.	370.1	23.58
090277	9100.	3400.	5700.	18228.	104272.	348.4	38.06
090377	12000.	3200.	8800.	32608.	89892.	312.8	62.00
090477	14500.	3000.	11500.	52740.	69760.	258.7	89.09
090577	0.	0.	12300.	76344.	46156.	186.8	112.14
090677	0.	0.	11000.	99451.	23049.	103.6	134.65
090777	0.	0.	5794.	116106.	6394.	31.8	0.00
090877	0.	0.	587.	122434.	66.	0.6	0.00
000000	0.	0.	0.	122500.	0.	0.0	0.00

End

TABLE 6

Verification of Jokulhlaup Forecast Procedure

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Date of forecast: 9 12 70

Date	Glac. Lake Dump (cfs)	Int.A /Base Flow (cfs)	Snow Comp Flow (cfs)	River Obsv Flow (cfs)	Trail River Flow (cfs)	Local Area Flow (cfs)	Cooper Computed Flow (cfs)	Landing Observed Stage (ft)	Cooper Flow (cfs)	Landing Stage (ft)
090870	0.	1300.	1300.	1300.	1090.	1960.	5310.	10.28	5310.	10.28
090970	0.	1290.	1290.	1290.	961.	1730.	5033.	10.12	5090.	10.15
091070	60.	1240.	1300.	1300.	861.	1550.	4793.	9.98	4820.	9.99
091170	180.	1200.	1380.	1380.	785.	1410.	4566.	9.83	4630.	9.88
091270	340.	1160.	1500.	1500.	735.	1320.	4368.	9.71	4480.	9.78
091370	810.	1120.	1930.	1750.	716.	1290.	4245.	9.63	4430.	9.75
091470	1510.	1080.	2590.	2300.	734.	1320.	4254.	9.64	4480.	9.78
091570	2600.	1040.	3640.	3060.	781.	1410.	4448.	9.76	4670.	9.90
091670	4100.	1000.	5100.	4020.	812.	1460.	4873.	10.03	4910.	10.05
091770	6100.	960.	7060.	5440.	789.	1420.	5679.	10.49	5270.	10.26
091870	8400.	920.	9320.	7540.	773.	1390.	6814.	11.08	5890.	10.61
091970	11000.	880.	11880.	10400.	754.	1360.	8247.	11.76	6760.	11.06
092070	13000.	840.	13840.	13500.	712.	1280.	9859.	12.47	7920.	11.61
092170	13400.	800.	14200.	15400.	658.	1180.	11441.	13.12	9540.	12.34
092270	11200.	760.	11960.	16500.	597.	1070.	12479.	13.53	11400.	13.10
092370	4951.	720.	5671.	6070.	538.	970.	11844.	13.28	12100.	13.38
092470	0.	700.	700.	1290.	503.	910.	9906.	12.49	10300.	12.65
092570	0.	704.	704.	704.	467.	840.	8009.	11.65	8680.	11.95
092670	0.	960.	960.	960.	451.	810.	6584.	10.97	7260.	11.30
092770	0.	930.	930.	930.	449.	810.	5525.	10.40	6140.	10.74
092870	0.	841.	841.	841.	460.	830.	4764.	9.96	5270.	10.26
092970	0.	704.	704.	704.	473.	850.	4234.	9.62	4650.	9.89
093070	0.	664.	664.	664.	471.	850.	3794.	9.32	4110.	9.54
100170	0.	0.	0.	0.	448.	810.	3374.	9.02	3700.	9.26
100270	0.	0.	0.	0.	434.	780.	3023.	8.74	3360.	9.01

TABLE 7

Verification of Jokulhlaup Forecast Procedure

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Date of forecast: 9 19 70

Date	Glac. Lake Dump	Int.A /Base Flow (cfs)	Snow Comp Flow (cfs)	River Obsv Flow (cfs)	River Flow (cfs)	Trail Area (cfs)	Local Flow (cfs)	Cooper Computed Flow (cfs)	Landing Observed Stage (ft)
090870	0.	1300.	1300.	1300.	1090.	1960.	5310.	10.28	5310. 10.28
090970	0.	1290.	1290.	1290.	961.	1730.	5033.	10.12	5090. 10.15
091070	60.	1240.	1300.	1300.	861.	1550.	4793.	9.98	4820. 9.99
091170	180.	1200.	1380.	1380.	785.	1410.	4566.	9.83	4630. 9.88
091270	340.	1160.	1500.	1500.	735.	1320.	4368.	9.71	4480. 9.78
091370	630.	1120.	1750.	1750.	716.	1290.	4227.	9.62	4430. 9.75
091470	1220.	1080.	2300.	2300.	734.	1320.	4193.	9.60	4480. 9.78
091570	2020.	1040.	3060.	3060.	781.	1410.	4314.	9.68	4670. 9.90
091670	3020.	1000.	4020.	4020.	812.	1460.	4602.	9.86	4910. 10.05
091770	4480.	960.	5440.	5440.	789.	1420.	5085.	10.15	5270. 10.26
091870	6620.	920.	7540.	7540.	773.	1390.	5953.	10.64	5890. 10.61
091970	9520.	880.	10400.	10400.	754.	1360.	7200.	11.27	6760. 11.06
092070	12400.	840.	13240.	13500.	712.	1280.	8813.	12.02	7920. 11.61
092170	14400.	800.	15200.	15400.	658.	1180.	10584.	12.77	9540. 12.34
092270	13800.	760.	14560.	16500.	597.	1070.	12350.	13.48	11400. 13.10
092370	7596.	720.	8316.	6070.	538.	970.	12557.	13.56	12100. 13.38
092470	1391.	700.	2091.	1290.	503.	910.	10785.	12.85	10300. 12.65
092570	0.	704.	704.	704.	467.	840.	8844.	12.03	8680. 11.95
092670	0.	960.	960.	960.	451.	810.	7217.	11.28	7260. 11.30
092770	0.	930.	930.	930.	449.	810.	6005.	10.67	6140. 10.74
092870	0.	841.	841.	841.	460.	830.	5075.	10.14	5270. 10.26
092970	0.	704.	704.	704.	473.	850.	4470.	9.77	4650. 9.89
093070	0.	664.	664.	664.	471.	850.	3983.	9.46	4110. 9.54
100170	0.	631.	631.	0.	448.	810.	3579.	9.17	3700. 9.26
100270	0.	599.	599.	0.	434.	780.	3269.	8.94	3360. 9.01

TABLE 8

Verification of Jokulhlaup Forecast Procedure

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Date of forecast: 9 2 77

Date	Glac. Lake Dump (cfs)	Int.A /Base Flow (cfs)	Snow Comp Flow (cfs)	River Obsv Flow (cfs)	Trail River Flow (cfs)	Local Area Flow (cfs)	Computed Flow (cfs)	Cooper Flow (cfs)	Landing Observed (ft)
082977	0.	4540.	4540.	4540.	1560.	2810.	8210.	11.74	8210. 11.74
083077	800.	4200.	5000.	5000.	1490.	2680.	8411.	11.83	8100. 11.69
083177	1900.	3900.	5800.	5800.	1350.	2430.	8644.	11.94	8100. 11.69
090177	3640.	3600.	7240.	7240.	1290.	2320.	9024.	12.11	8340. 11.80
090277	5700.	3400.	9100.	9100.	1230.	2210.	9670.	12.39	8780. 12.00
090377	8000.	3200.	11200.	12000.	1150.	2070.	10591.	12.77	9820. 12.46
090477	10000.	3000.	13000.	14500.	1090.	1960.	11930.	13.31	11200. 13.02
090577	11200.	2800.	14000.	15900.	1040.	1870.	13322.	13.87	13100. 13.78
090677	10800.	2600.	13400.	13300.	979.	1760.	14497.	14.28	14900. 14.43
090777	8000.	2400.	10400.	6810.	1110.	2000.	14621.	14.33	14600. 14.32
090877	2406.	2200.	4606.	3510.	1320.	2380.	13266.	13.85	12700. 13.62
090977	0.	2110.	2110.	2110.	1350.	2430.	11379.	13.09	10900. 12.90
091077	0.	2250.	2250.	2250.	1270.	2290.	9942.	12.50	9540. 12.34
091177	0.	3020.	3020.	3020.	1320.	2380.	9053.	12.12	8740. 11.98
091277	0.	1900.	1900.	1900.	1390.	2500.	8376.	11.82	8120. 11.70
091377	0.	1805.	1805.	0.	1290.	2320.	7706.	11.51	7360. 11.35
091477	0.	1715.	1715.	0.	1220.	2200.	7118.	11.23	6710. 11.03
091577	0.	1629.	1629.	0.	1150.	2070.	6604.	10.98	6260. 10.80
091677	0.	1548.	1548.	0.	1080.	1940.	6146.	10.74	5920. 10.62
091777	0.	1470.	1470.	0.	1050.	1890.	5745.	10.52	5660. 10.48

TABLE 9

Verification of Jokulhlaup Forecast Procedure

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Date of forecast: 9 4 77

Date	Glac. Lake Dump (cfs)	Int.A /Base Flow (cfs)	Snow Comp Flow (cfs)	River Obsv Flow (cfs)	River Area Flow (cfs)	Trail Local Flow (cfs)	Cooper Computed Flow (cfs)	Landing Observed Stage (ft)	Cooper Flow (cfs)	Landing Stage (ft)
082977	0.	4540.	4540.	4540.	1560.	2810.	8210.	11.74	8210.	11.74
083077	800.	4200.	5000.	5000.	1490.	2680.	8411.	11.83	8100.	11.69
083177	1900.	3900.	5800.	5800.	1350.	2430.	8644.	11.94	8100.	11.69
090177	3640.	3600.	7240.	7240.	1290.	2320.	9024.	12.11	8340.	11.80
090277	5700.	3400.	9100.	9100.	1230.	2210.	9670.	12.39	8780.	12.00
090377	8800.	3200.	12000.	12000.	1150.	2070.	10688.	12.81	9820.	12.46
090477	11500.	3000.	14500.	14500.	1090.	1960.	12374.	13.49	11200.	13.02
090577	12300.	2800.	15100.	15900.	1040.	1870.	14156.	14.16	13100.	13.78
090677	11000.	2600.	13600.	13300.	979.	1760.	15305.	14.57	14900.	14.43
090777	5794.	2400.	8194.	6810.	1110.	2000.	14740.	14.37	14600.	14.32
090877	587.	2200.	2787.	3510.	1320.	2380.	12709.	13.62	12700.	13.62
090977	0.	2110.	2110.	2110.	1350.	2430.	10754.	12.84	10900.	12.90
091077	0.	2250.	2250.	2250.	1270.	2290.	9568.	12.35	9540.	12.34
091177	0.	3020.	3020.	3020.	1320.	2380.	8769.	12.00	8740.	11.98
091277	0.	1900.	1900.	1900.	1390.	2500.	8161.	11.72	8120.	11.70
091377	0.	1805.	1805.	0.	1290.	2320.	7543.	11.43	7360.	11.35
091477	0.	1715.	1715.	0.	1220.	2200.	6994.	11.17	6710.	11.03
091577	0.	1629.	1629.	0.	1150.	2070.	6510.	10.93	6260.	10.80
091677	0.	1548.	1548.	0.	1080.	1940.	6074.	10.70	5920.	10.62
091777	0.	1470.	1470.	0.	1050.	1890.	5691.	10.50	5660.	10.48

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APPENDIX

Conversion Factors English to S.I.

Multiply:	by:	to obtain:
Acres	0.40468564	Hectares
Acre feet	1233.4818	Cubic meters
Cubic feet/second	0.028316847	Cubic meters/second
Feet	0.3048	Meters
Feet/second ²	0.3048	Meters/second ²
Miles	1.609344	Kilometers
Square miles	2.5899881	Square kilometers