# Concrete Damage at Carters Dam

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### **Reregulation Dam – Downstream View**





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### Downstream D-2, Lifts 23, 24?







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# **Upstream D-2**



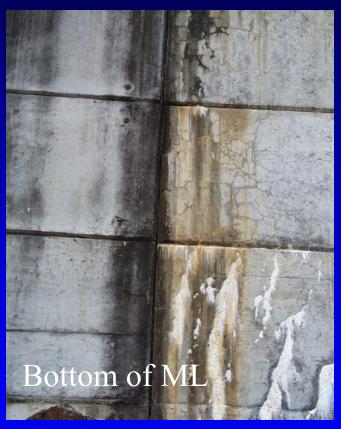


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### **Downstream Joint - D-8 and D-9**

#### Top of ML







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### **Upstream D-9**





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### **Upstream D-1**





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# **Trunnion Block, ML D-8**





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### **Emergency Spillway**







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### Shaft in ML 11





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### Aggregate

- Single source Dalton Quarry
- At least 3 distinct types in the 1.5 and 3 inch sizes
  - One suspected of ACR

- Problems with ACR rock: Sep - Nov 71



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### **Portland Cement**

3 sources

 All low alkali
 0.45 - 0.55 Na<sub>2</sub>O<sub>eq</sub>

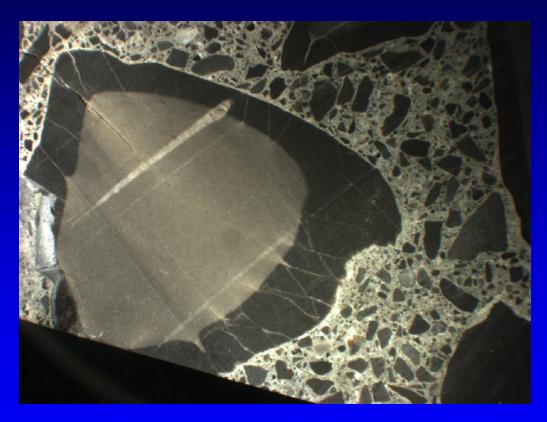
 Pozzolan

 Probably not



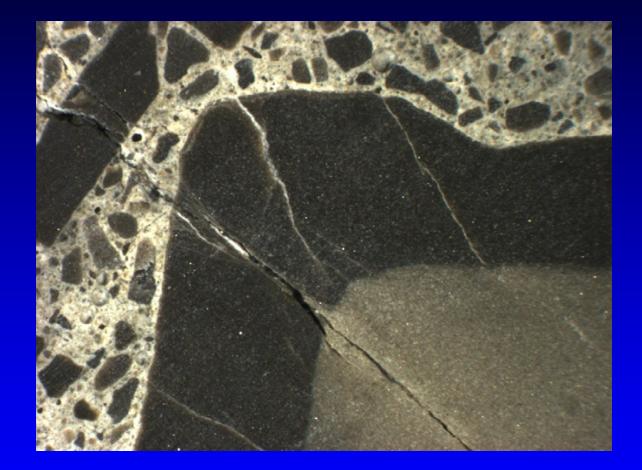
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## **Reactive Pieces**





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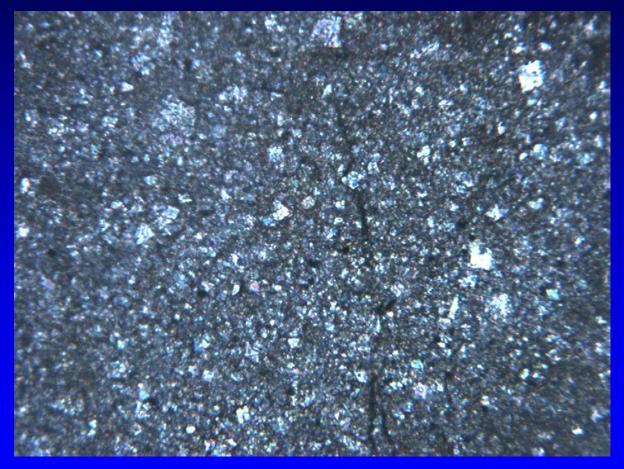








## Rhombs





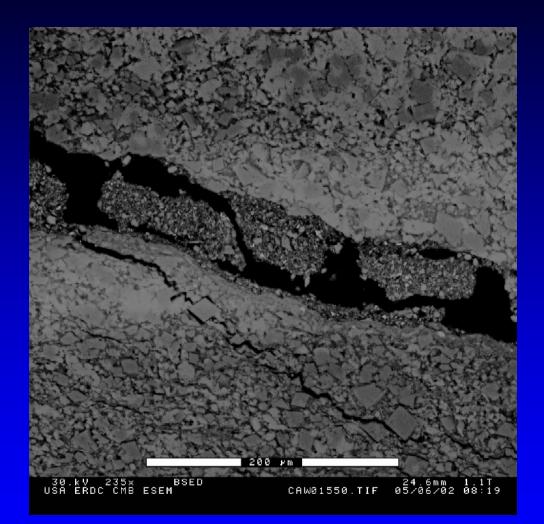
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## **Reaction Products**

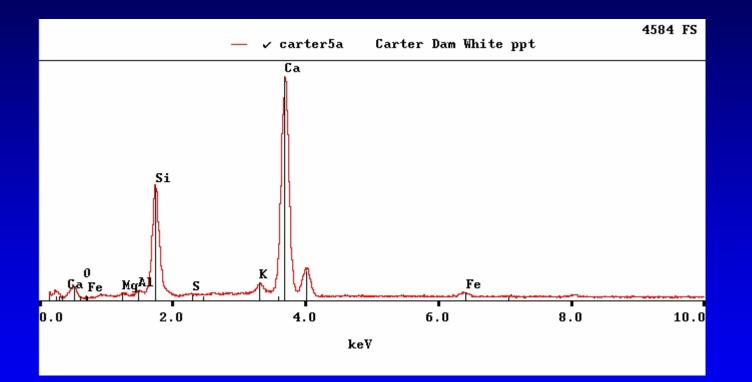




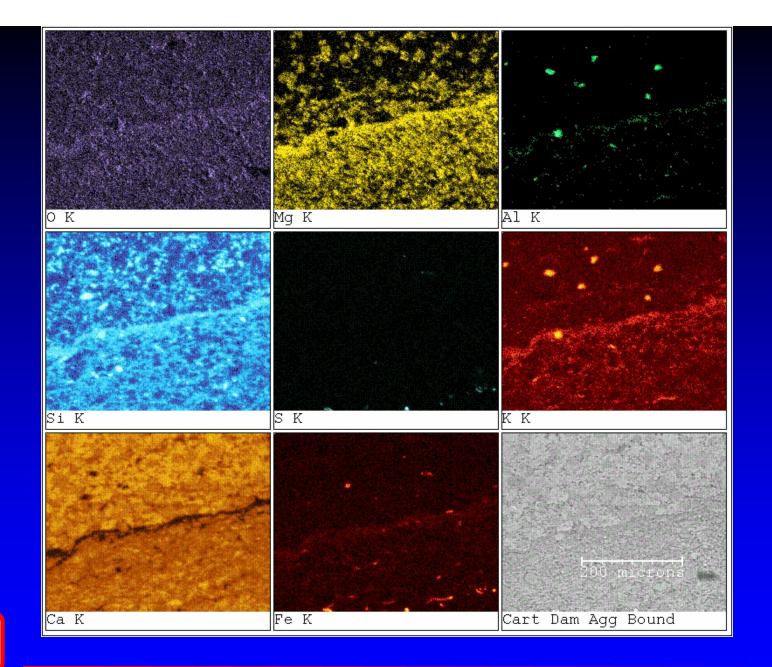
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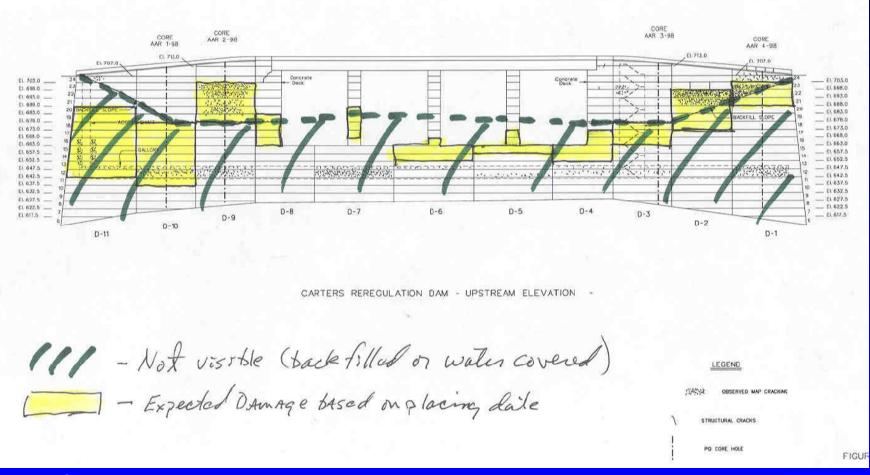








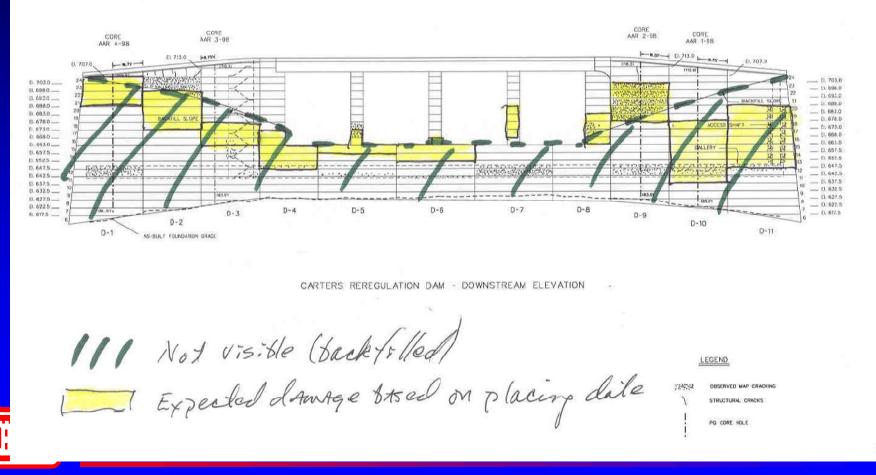
### **Expected Damage – Upstream Face**



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### **Expected Damage - Downstream Face**



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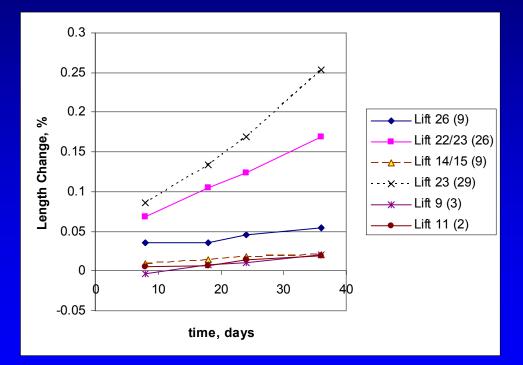
# Strength

- Strength ~ number reactive particles/ft
  - Low counts: 3935 psi
  - Moderate counts: 3357 psi
  - High counts: 2884 psi (best of the worst!!)



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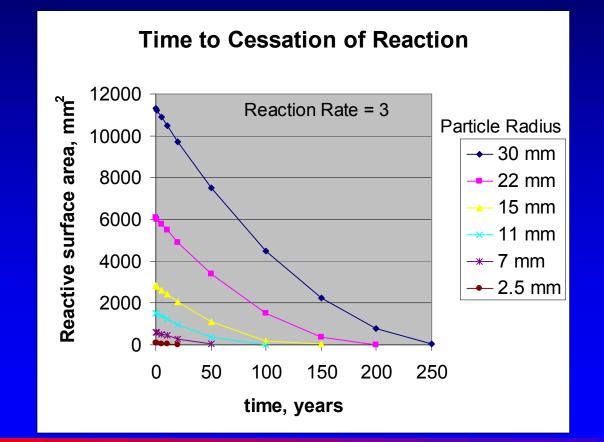
# **Residual Expansion**





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# **Remaining Reaction**





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# **Similar Structures**

Chickamauga

Lock soon to be replaced

Center Hill



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# **Major Materials Issue**

- Aggregate QC
- Alkali Carbonate Reaction
  - First analysis suggests
  - Bad news for aggregate sources
- Alkali Silica Reaction
  - Similar in some features
  - Better news for aggregate sources



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