

Packwood Hydroelectric Project

Stream Connectivity in Packwood
Lake Tributaries

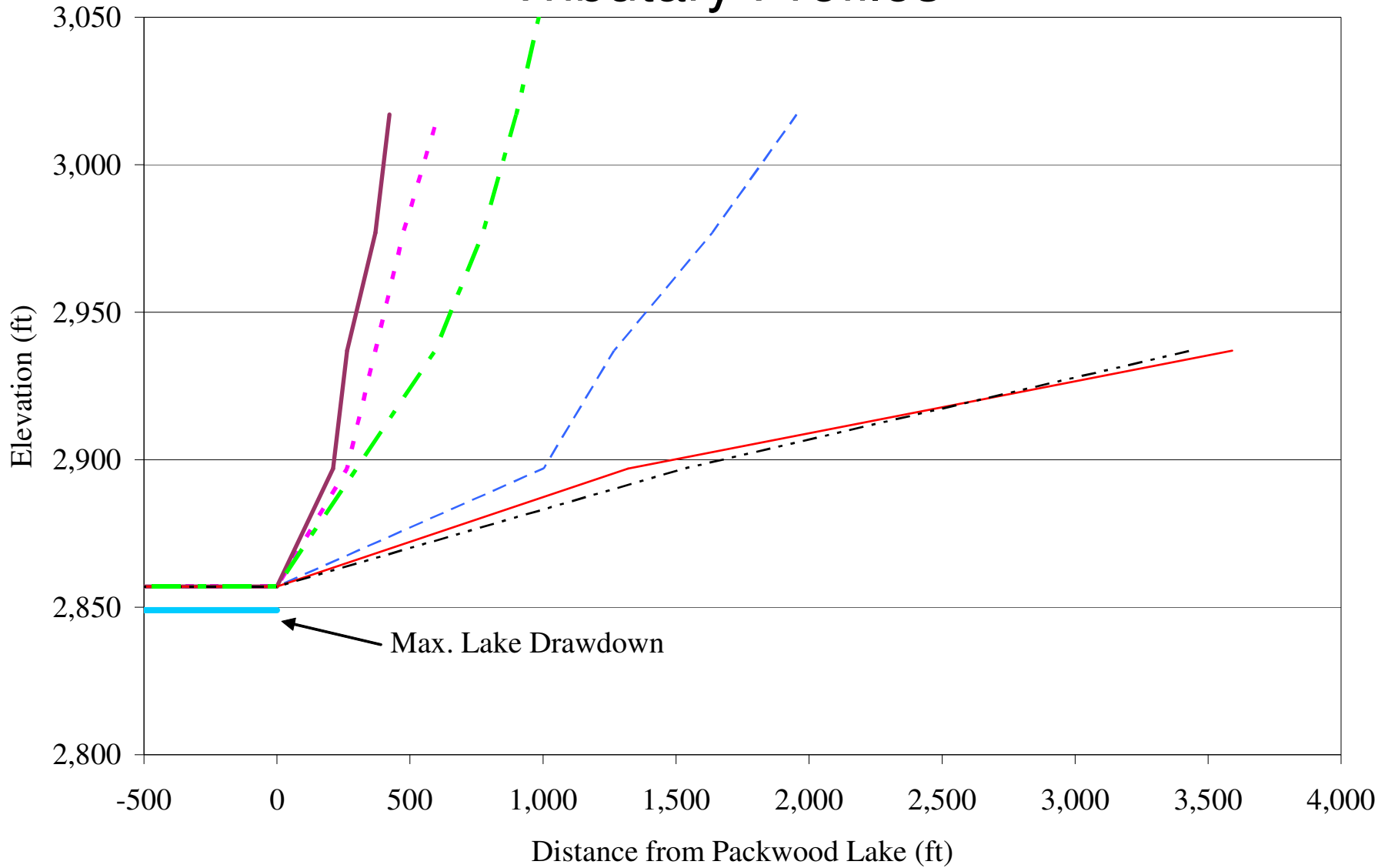
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Risk of Headcutting in Tributary Streams

- Project-related headcutting could occur if:
 - Lake elevation is below full pool
 - ***AND***
 - Tributary discharge is high enough to initiate bedload transport
- Peak flows occur during either
 - Fall/winter rain-on-snow events
 - Spring snowmelt

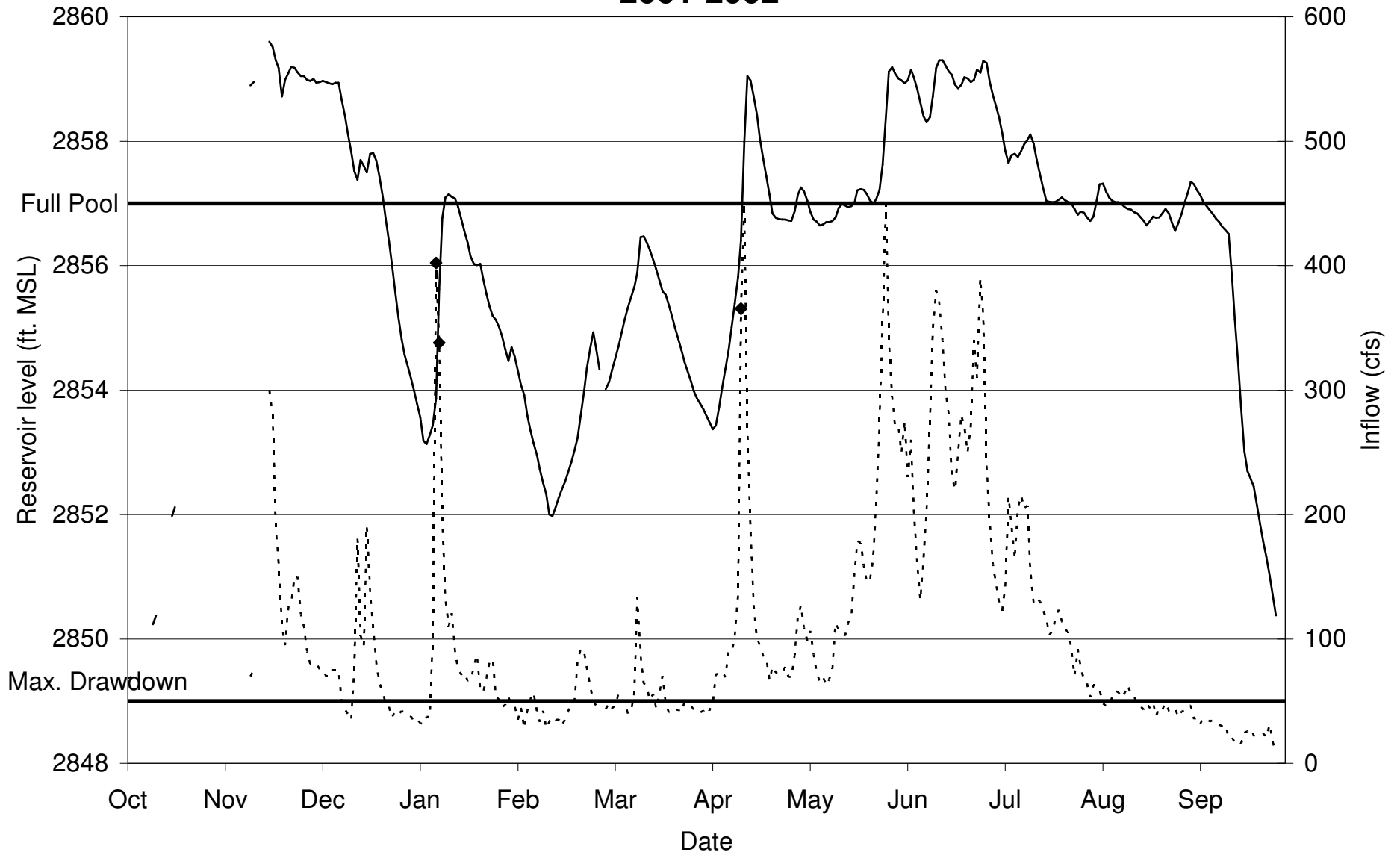
- Packwood Lake fills quickly during peak flow events, limiting length of time the base level is lowered
- Geomorphic setting of tributaries:
 - Lake Creek, Mueller – low gradient channels in old glacial valley; Lake Creek has higher sediment/water load, Mueller has low sediment/water load
 - Other tribs – alluvial fans (active, depositional areas, channel jumps)

Tributary Profiles



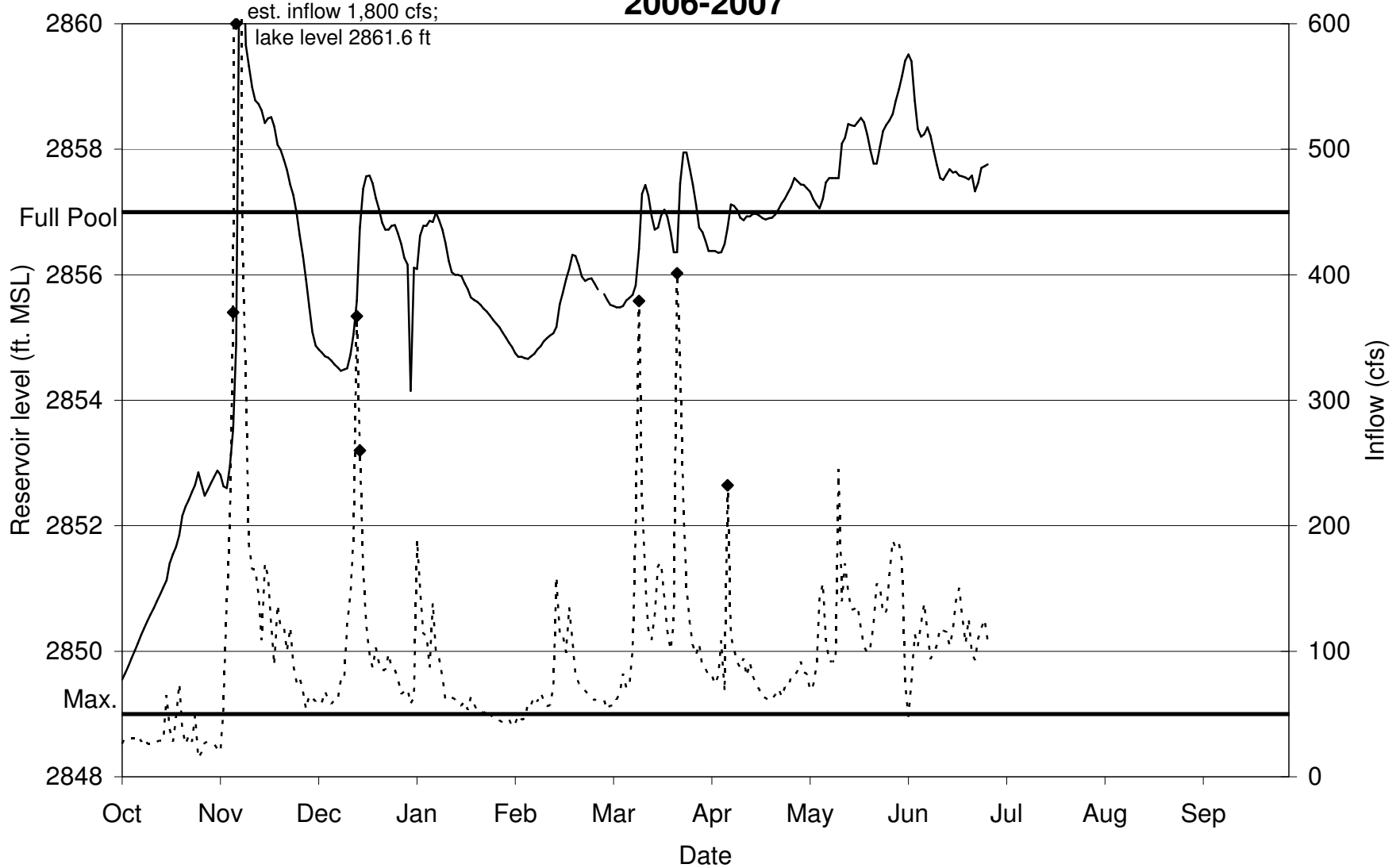
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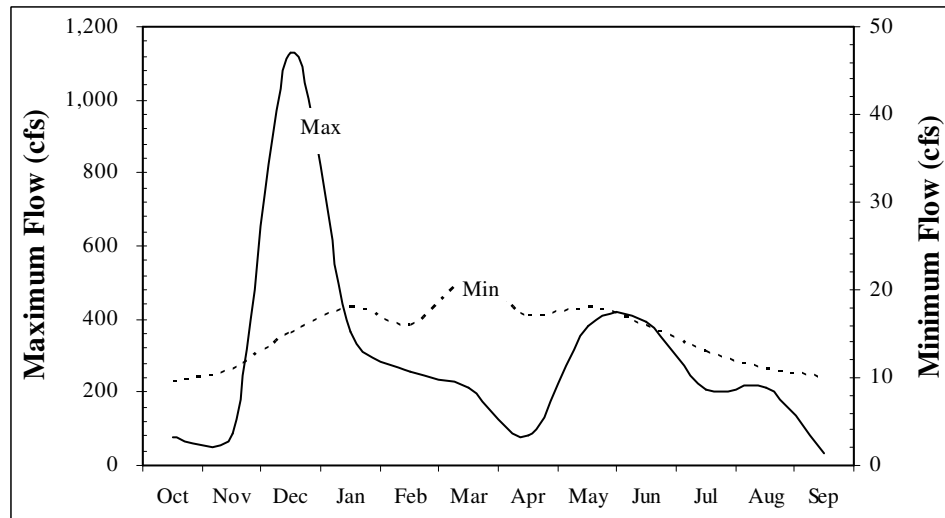
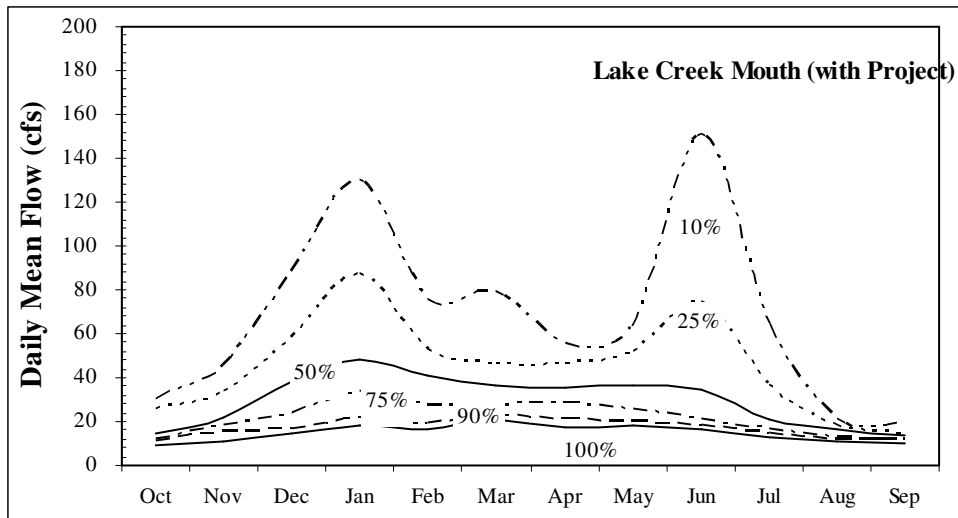
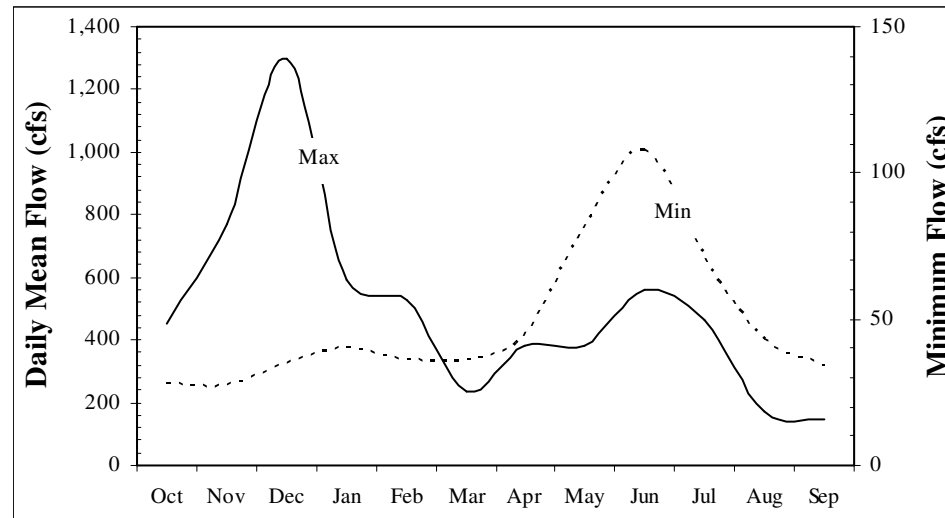
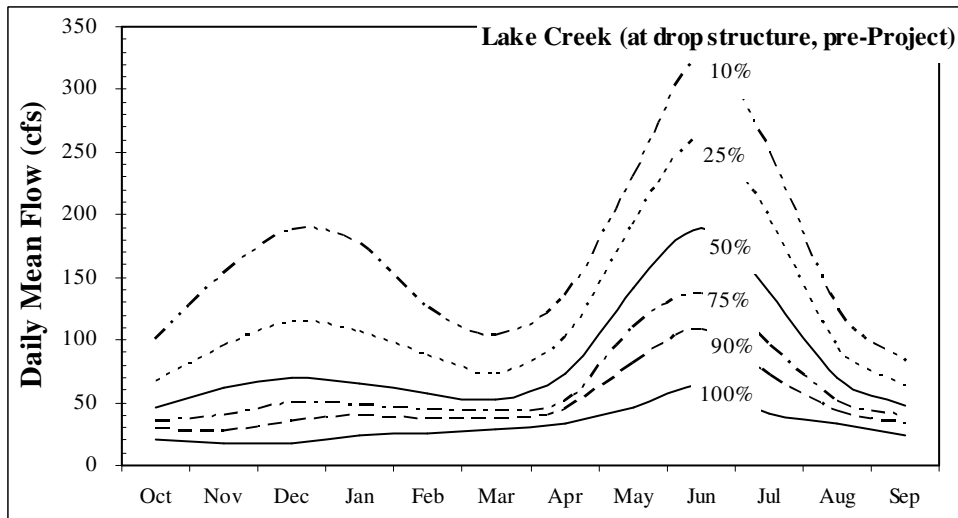
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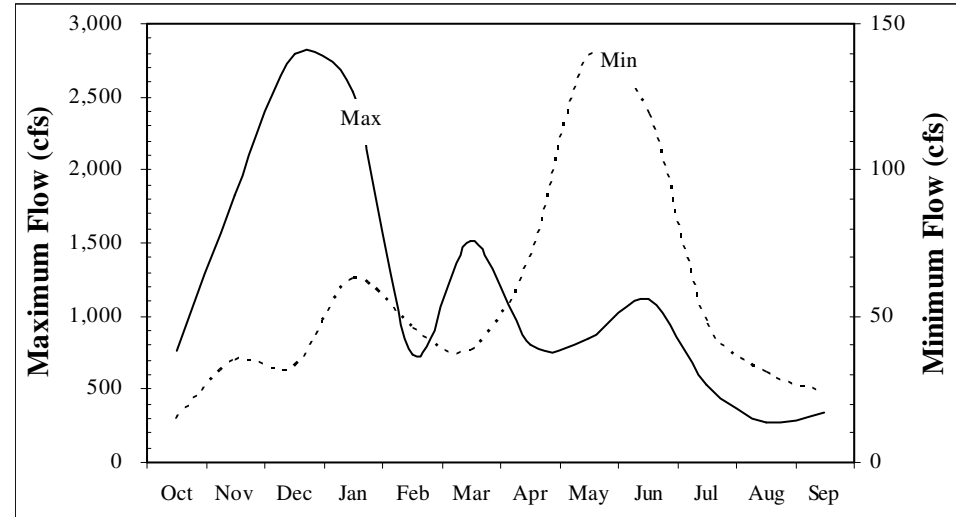
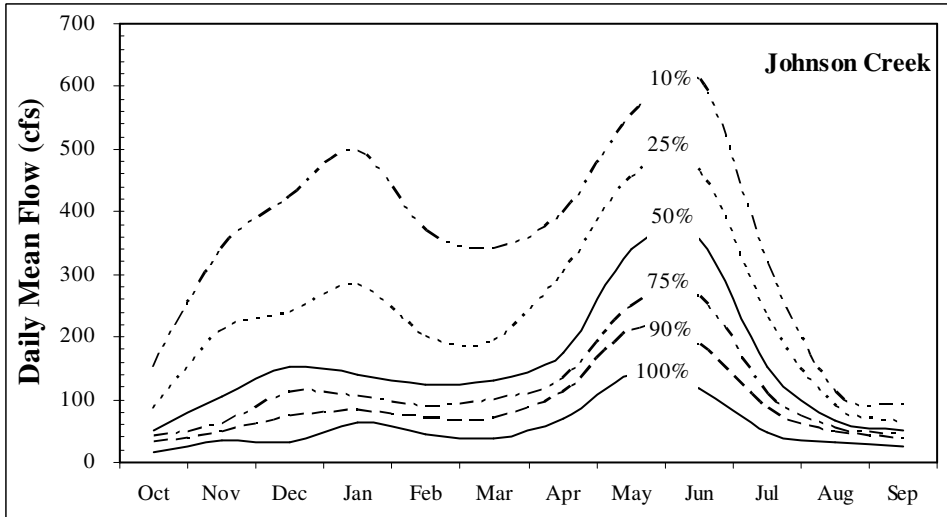
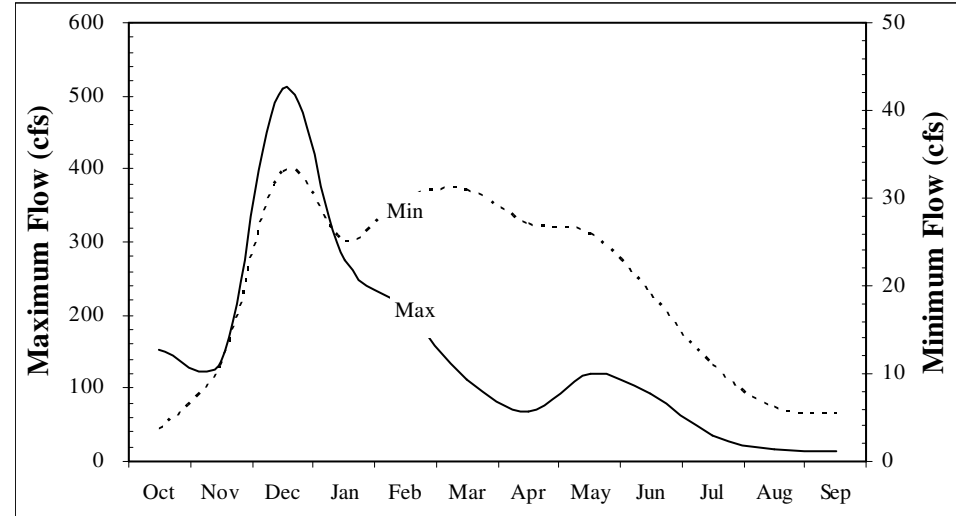
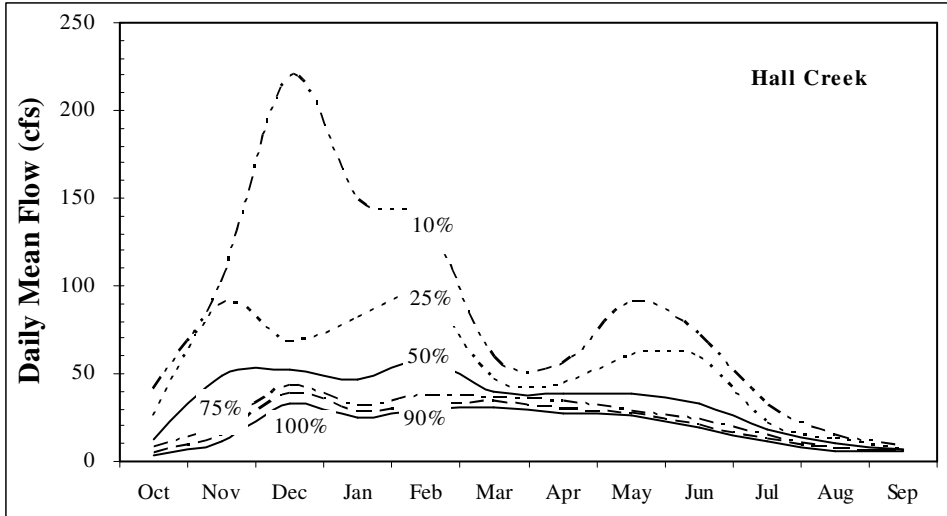
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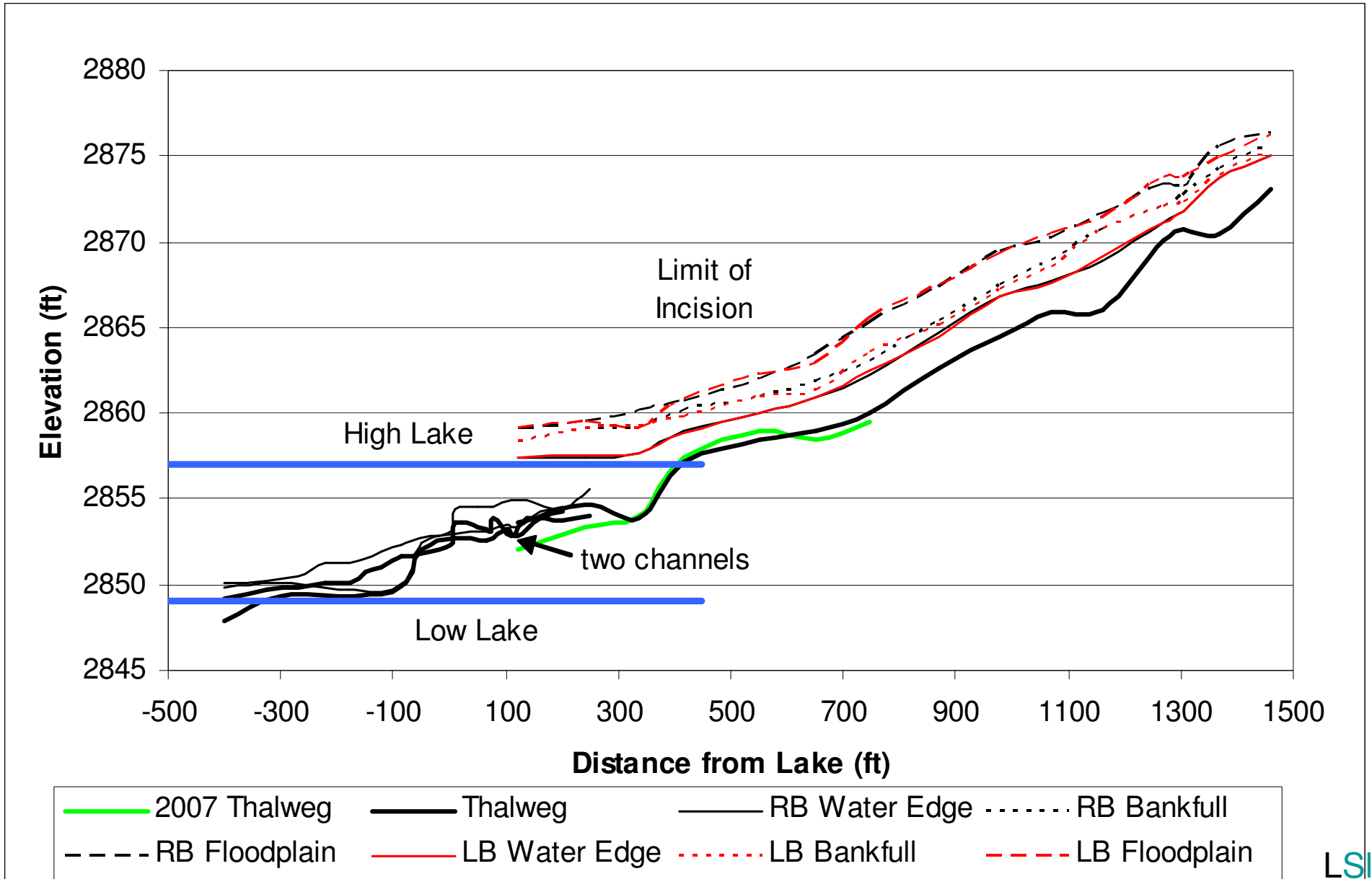
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Peak Flow Timing

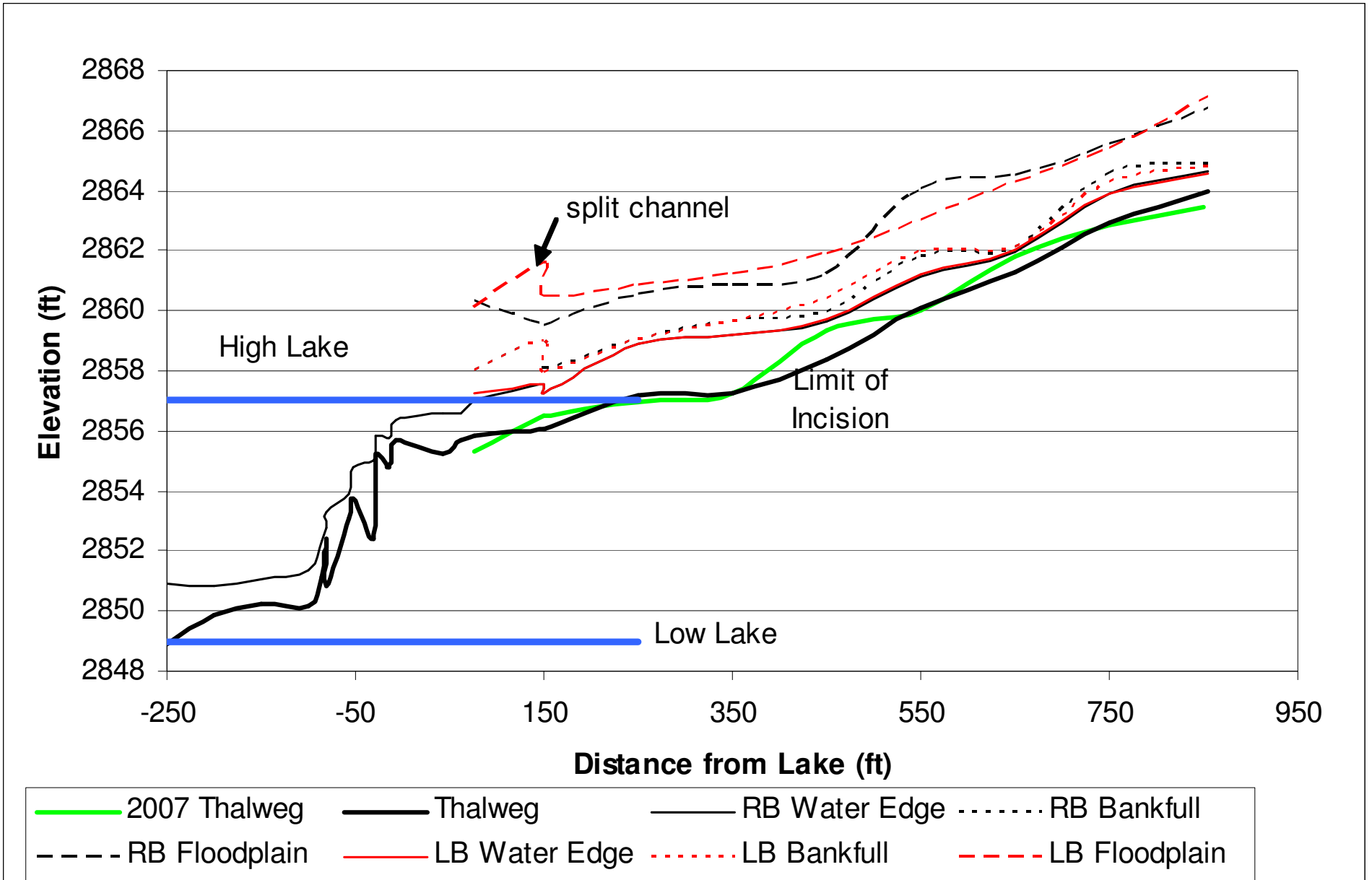




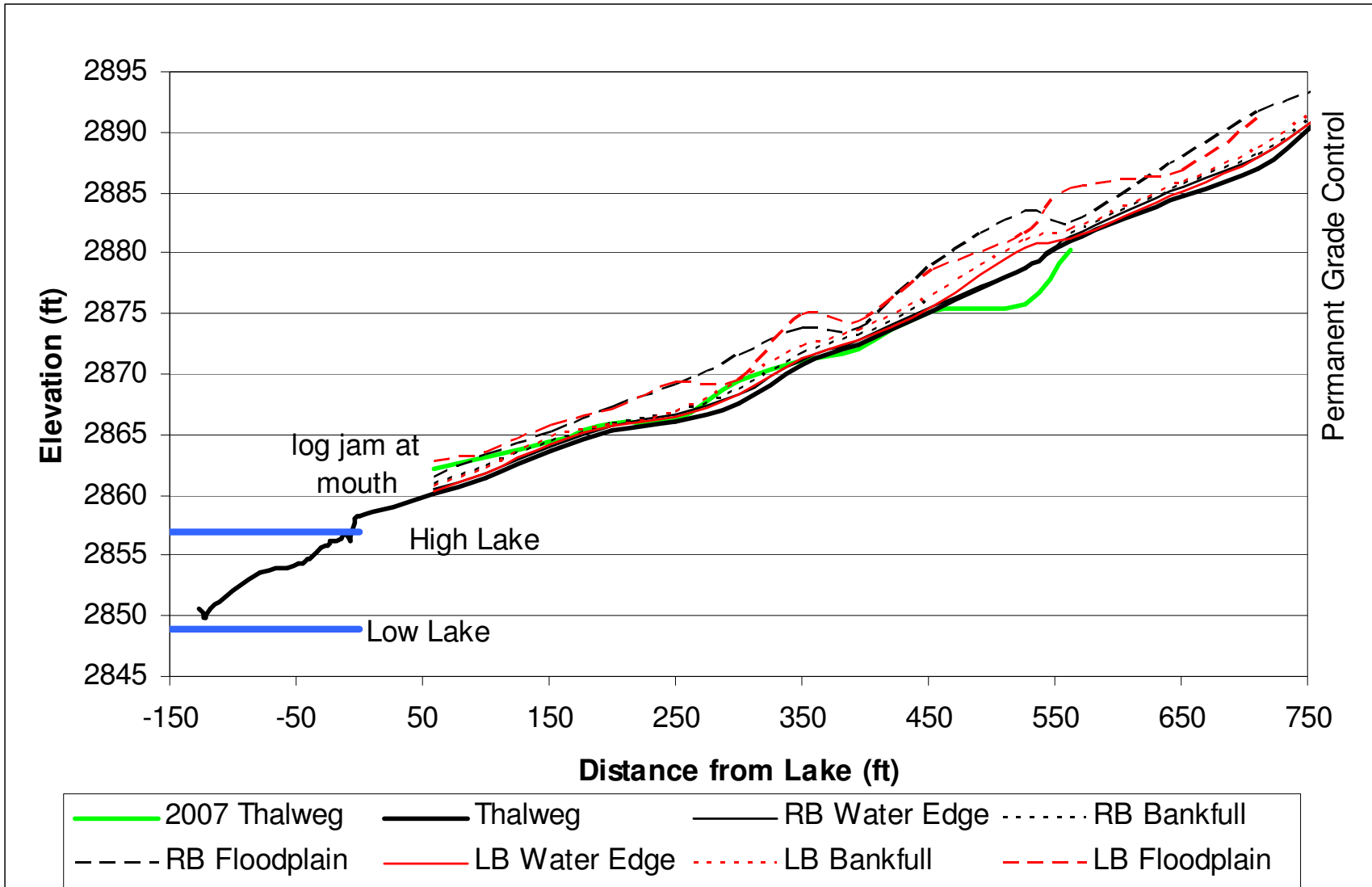
Lake Creek



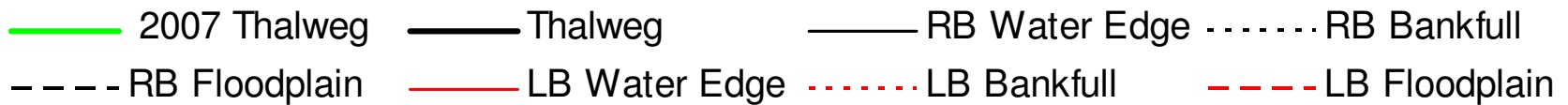
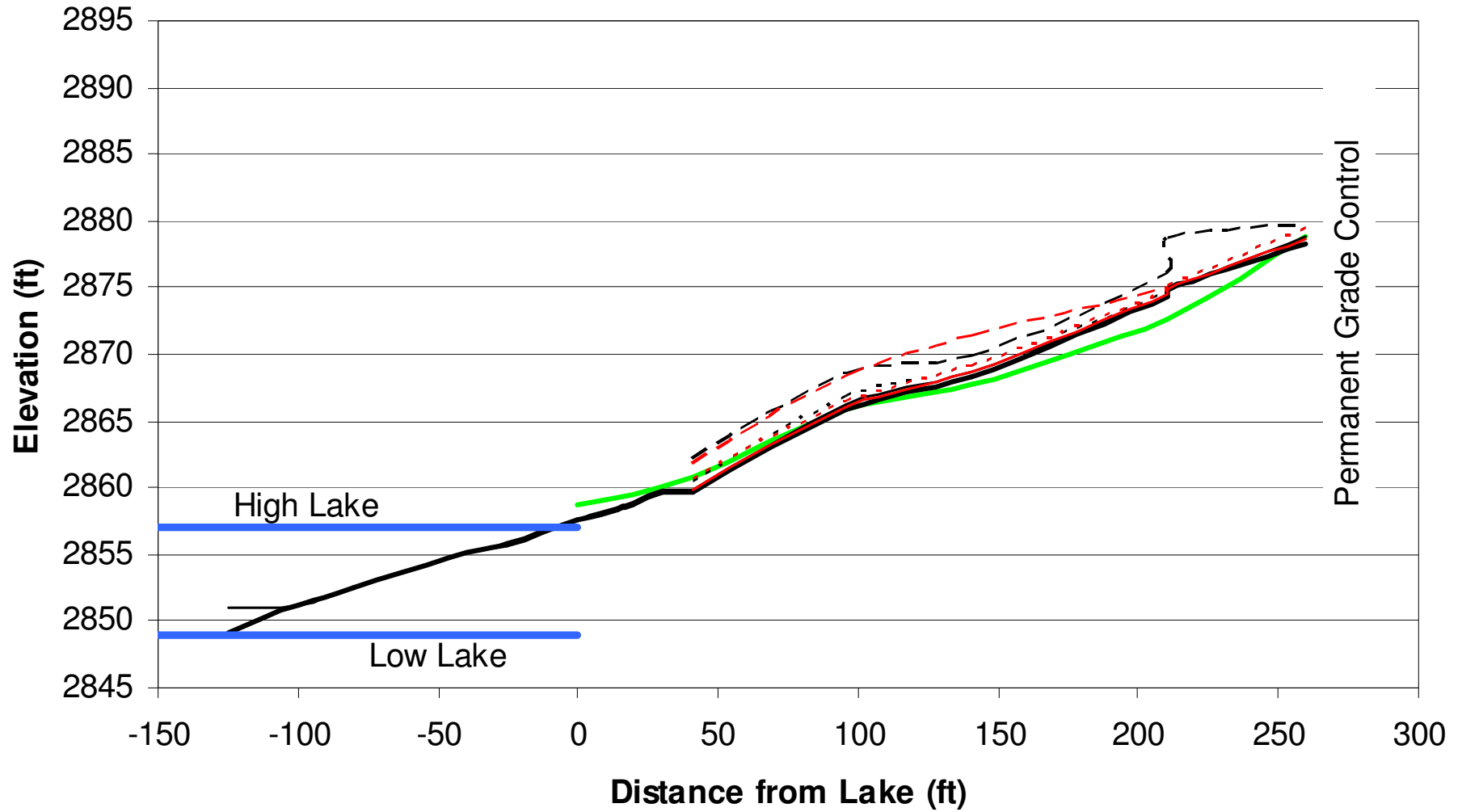
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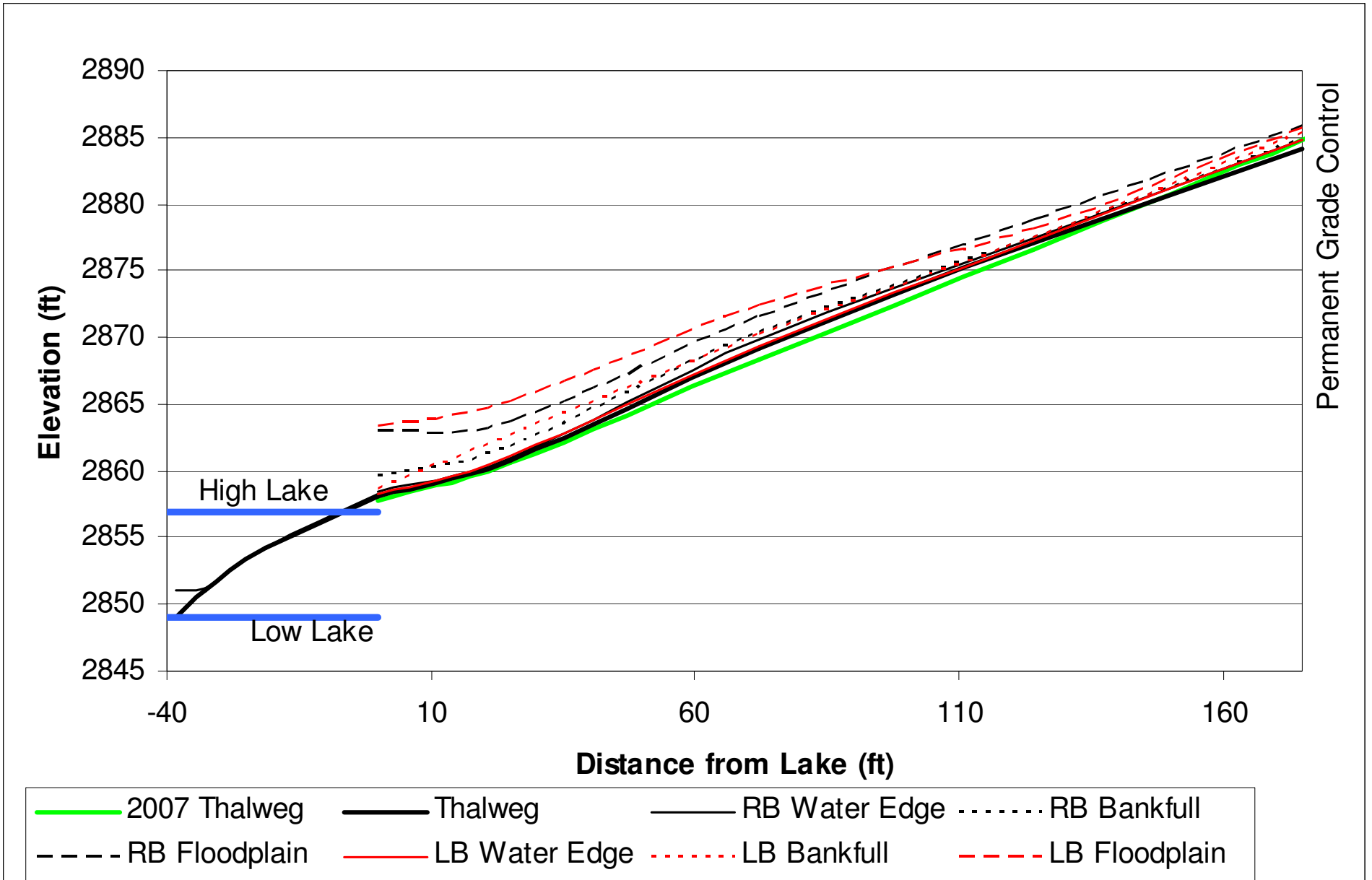
Crawford Creek



Trapp Creek



SE Trapp



Determination of Risk of Headcutting under Different Operational Regime

- Timing of drawdown, peak flows
- Magnitude of drawdown
 - Currently peak flows increase lake elevations quickly due to low storage volumes

Table 5.1 Water Depth Characteristics of Tributaries that Empty Directly into Packwood Lake (drawdown zone and area above drawdown zone)

Stream	Mean Depth (ft)	Number of measurements	Min. Depth (ft)	Max. Depth (ft)	Max Elevation (ft)	Max Depth above drawdown zone (ft)
Osprey Creek	0.44	23	0.10	0.98	2858.23	0.32
Trapp Creek	0.16	9	0.10	0.30	2859.60	0.20
Tributary SE of Trapp Creek	0.20	5	0.05	0.30	2860.00	0.25
Mueller Creek	1.05	23	0.20	2.60	2858.90	1.00
Upper Lake Creek – Right Channel	0.32	11	0.10	0.60	2858.1	0.10
Upper Lake Creek – Left Channel	0.87	19	0.50	1.40	2858.04	0.20
Crawford Creek (dry)	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Packwood Lake Elevation

1999-2007

