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PREFACE

The Snake Plain aquifer, as defined by Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, p. 142), is a series of basalt flows and intercalated pyroclastic and sedimentary materials that underlies the Snake River Plain east of Bliss (fig. 1). The aquifer is about 9,500 square miles in areal extent and yielded about a million acre-feet of water to wells in 1969. Approximately 6½-million acre-feet of water is recharged annually to this aquifer by seepage loss from the Snake River and its tributaries, by underflow from tributary valleys, by the downward percolation of water applied for irrigation, and by precipitation on the Plain. Water is discharged from the aquifer through springs and by pumping for irrigation, municipal, industrial, stock, and domestic use. Although the aquifer has been extensively studied and its general extent and properties are known, it is so large and thick that data on the distribution of basalt flows and interbedded sedimentary deposits that control the movement of ground water have not been obtained at several places of great current importance. Also, there are large areas where the position of the water table and the potential yield of the aquifer are not known.

The objectives of this investigation are to obtain (1) information descriptive of elevations and fluctuations of the water table, water-table gradients, and the distribution of transmissivity, in areas of the Snake Plain aquifer where data are lacking; (2) details of stratigraphic and hydrologic properties at localities selected as being suitable for pumping large quantities of ground water in exchange for surface water¹; (3) hydrologic details in the eastern part of this aquifer, where the greatest amount of recharge occurs, so as to interpret better the distribution of recharge to spring discharge areas; and (4) water-level and stratigraphic data in the area of the Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier so as to better define recharge relations and large water-level differentials occurring in and around this barrier. In addition, it is anticipated that all the data collected will be integrated into an existing analog model of the Snake Plain aquifer so that the long-term effects of development of the aquifer can be better predicted.

The Idaho Department of Water Administration has the responsibility of administering the water resources of Idaho, and for this reason it is vitally interested in basic data descriptive of the water resources of the Snake River Plain. Because the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation is actively developing the water resources available in various parts of the Plain, it needs basic data which will be useful in selecting areas suitable for development and in evaluating effects of development. The U. S. Geological Survey has a responsibility for collecting basic data and for appraising the water resources of Idaho. Because of their common interests, and in recognition of the need for information about the water resources of the Snake Plain aquifer, these three agencies entered into a cooperative agreement whereby the U. S. Geological Survey and the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation would initiate, in

¹ The U. S. Bureau of Reclamation is investigating the feasibility of diverting surface water from presently irrigated land to areas of inadequate surface-water supply or areas of no surface-water supply and replacing the diverted surface water with ground water.

July 1969, a 4-year project whose goal is to satisfy the objectives described above.

To provide for timely release of the data collected during this 4-year project, it is planned that a series of progress reports describing the work accomplished during each phase of the project will be prepared. This report, which describes the work accomplished in the Mud Lake region in the northeastern part of the Snake River Plain during the period July 1969 to July 1970, is the first report of this series.

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ABSTRACT

The results of drilling test holes to depths of approximately 1,000 feet in the Mud Lake region show that a large part of the region is underlain by both sedimentary deposits and basalt flows. At some locations, predominantly sedimentary deposits were penetrated; at others, basalt flows predominated. The so-called Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier denotes a change in geology. From the vicinity of the barrier area, as described by Stearns, Crandall, and Steward (1938, p. 111), up the water-table gradient for at least a few tens of miles, the saturated geologic section consists predominantly of beds of sediments that are intercalated with numerous basalt flows. Downgradient from the barrier, sedimentary deposits are not common and practically all the water-bearing formations are basalt, at least to the depths explored so far. Thus, the barrier is a transition zone from a sedimentary-basaltic sequence to a basaltic sequence. The sedimentary-basaltic sequence forms a complex hydrologic system in which water occurs under water-table conditions in the upper few tens of feet of saturated material and under artesian conditions in the deeper material in the southwest part of the region. The well data indicate that southwest of the barrier, artesian pressures are not significant. Southwest of the barrier, few sedimentary deposits occur in the basalt section and, as described by Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964), ground water occurs in a manner typical of the Snake Plain aquifer. In several wells, artesian pressures are higher in the deeper formations than in the shallower ones, but the reverse was found in a few wells. The available data are not adequate to describe the water-bearing characteristics of the artesian aguifer nor the effects that pumping in one zone would have on adjacent zones. The water-table aquifer yields large quantities of water to irrigation wells.

Although the Mud Lake region is within the Snake River Plain, the geology and hydrology of the region differs significantly from that of most of the Plain, and for this reason the aquifers in the region should be considered as separate hydrologic units. Geologic sections and a fence diagram show that sediments dominate in the region of the Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier whereas basalts are most common in adjoining areas. Tentative correlations of hydrologic units are shown in the cross sections and fence diagram.

As an aid to continued development of needed ground-water supplies in the Mud Lake region, the water-bearing characteristics of the deep artesian aquifers should be tested and exploration of aquifers occurring at depths greater than those penetrated to date should be undertaken.

INTRODUCTION

Purpose and Scope

Water in the Mud Lake region (fig. 1) serves two important functions. Not only is it used for the irrigation of extensive farmlands in the region, but it has been postulated to be an important source of recharge to the Snake Plain aquifer. Movement of recharge to the Snake Plain aquifer is, however, complicated by the fact that in the vicinity of Mud Lake and Market Lake there is a hydrologic barrier to the movement of ground water. This barrier occurs along a northwest-trending line that extends through Market and Mud Lakes. The presence of this barrier is indicated by a change in slope of the water table. Northeast of the barrier the water table is at a relatively shallow depth (a few feet to a few tens of feet) and is very flat (it has a gradient of about 2 feet per mile). Southwest of the barrier the water table is again relatively flat (the gradient is about 5-10 feet per mile). At the barrier, in the area extending from northwest of Mud Lake to southeast of Market Lake, the water-table gradient is quite steep, about 30-60 feet per mile, and a considerable range occurs in the elevation of water levels in wells screened or perforated at different depths.

Previous investigators (Mundorff and others, 1964, pl. 4) have indicated that about 2.2 million acre-feet of ground water flows across the barrier annually as recharge to the Snake Plain aquifer. Later investigators (Norvitch and others, 1969, p. 39) had difficulty, however, in logically assigning aquifer transmissivity values large enough to transmit this quantity of water through the barrier. This difficulty made apparent the need for additional data descriptive of the geologic and hydrologic characteristics of the barrier.

The purposes of this report are, therefore, to (1) present the data obtained during the period 1969-70 from test wells drilled in and around the barrier and from adjacent areas; (2) describe water-level and stratigraphic relations in and near the Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier as indicated by these data; (3) relate the data to existing hydrologic concepts of the barrier and, where necessary, to revise those concepts; (4) evaluate the adequacy of the data collected to describe existent hydrologic relations; and (5) delineate areas where additional hydrologic data are needed.

Location and General Features

The Mud Lake region is in the northeastern part of the Snake River Plain in eastern Idaho (fig. 1). The Mud Lake basin encompasses a broad, shallow, closed depression about



FIGURE 1. Map of southern Idaho showing the Snake River Plain and area covered by this report.

20 miles wide. Mud Lake is in the lowest part of this depression. The Market Lake basin is a much smaller depression that also contains a lake. Market Lake basin is open to the Snake River on the southeast and is separated from the Mud Lake basin by a topographic divide that is a few tens of feet in height. Mud Lake covers about 12 square miles when the lake is full, whereas Market Lake covers only several tens of acres. The principal area of study includes the basins containing the lakes and the area immediately adjacent to the basins. However, to assure that the geology and hydrology of these basins as presented in this report are in harmony with that in adjoining areas, pertinent data from outside these basins are utilized in the following discussions. For the purpose of this report, the study area shown in figure 1 is here designated the Mud Lake region. This is in accord with usage in the first comprehensive report on the area (Stearns and others, 1939).

Previous Work

Stearns, Crandall, and Steward (1938, p. 111) stated that a definite ground-water cascade, caused by a ground-water barrier, exists between the mouth of Birch Creek and Idaho Falls along a curved line that passes through the south side of Mud Lake and the west side of Market Lake. Stearns, Bryan, and Crandall (1939, p. 50-57, 59-60) described a perched water table and a main water table in the vicinity of Mud Lake and the Mud Lake basin. They also described the lakebeds which directly underlie both the Mud Lake and Market Lake basins and the basalt flows which encroach into the basin (Stearns and others, 1939, p. 37-38). Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, p. 132-136) discussed the barrier and ground-water conditions in the Mud Lake area.

Well-Numbering System

The well-numbering system used by the U. S. Geological Survey in Idaho indicates the location of wells within the official rectangular subdivision of the public lands, with reference to the Boise base line and meridian. The first two segments of the number designate the township and range. The third segment gives the section number, followed by three letters and a numeral, which indicate the quarter section, the 40-acre tract, the 10-acre tract, and the serial number of the well within the tract, respectively. Quarter sections are lettered a, b, c, and d in counterclockwise order, from the northeast quarter of each section (fig. 2). Within the quarter sections, 40-acre and 10-acre tracts are lettered in the same manner. Well 4N-35E-14aaa1 is in the NE¼NE¼NE¼ sec. 14, T. 4 N., R. 35 E., and is the first well visited in that tract.

Several wells in the report area are equipped with piezometers and each piezometer has been assigned a well number. The shallowest piezometer in the well has the lowest serial number and the next deeper piezometer has the next higher serial number.



FIGURE 2. Diagram showing well-numbering system. (Using well 4N-35E-14aaa1.)

Acknowledgments

The U. S. Bureau of Reclamation supplied well data including drillers' logs, core samples, and water-level measurements for the seven wells drilled or deepened as part of this study and for other wells constructed during previous test drilling in the Bureau of Reclamation's Lower Teton Basin Project area.

GEOHYDRAULIC RELATIONS OF THE MUD

LAKE-MARKET LAKE BARRIER

Previous Concepts of the Mud Lake-Market Lake Barrier

Stearns, Crandall, and Steward (1938, p. 111) state: The contour lines show that a definite ground-water cascade exists between the mouth of Birch Creek and Idaho Falls, along a curved line passing through the south side of Mud Lake and the west side of Market Lake. Some large faults pass into the region of this cascade from the adjacent mountains and became buried by Pleistocene flows. Faults may cause this ground-water cascade by the downward displacement of the impermeable basement in this area, but it is more probably caused by the ending of clay beds or other perching formations.

Stearns, Bryan, and Crandall (1939, p. 50) state that *Mud Lake and the water found in shallow wells in the vicinity of the lake form a perched body of water that lies a few hundred feet above the water table of a deeper body of ground water.* They also say that at Market Lake the hydrology and geology are somewhat similar to those at Mud Lake (Stearns and others, 1939, p. 59-60).

In general, previous investigators have noted that northeast and southwest of the Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier where water-table gradients are low (5-10 feet per mile), a very permeable basalt is the principal water-bearing formation, whereas at the barrier, where gradients are steep (30-60 feet per mile), the principal water-bearing formations are less permeable clay, silt, sand, and some gravel. Also, they believed that the ground water occurs principally under perched and water-table conditions, although weak artesian pressures were recognized in shallow wells on the east side of Market Lake (well data in files of U.S. Geological Survey) and in a narrow strip extending from Hamer to the site of former Spring Lake northwest of Mud Lake (Stearns and others, 1939, pl. 13). See figure 3. Using this information, they deduced that the barrier acts as a leaky dam. That is, as water moves laterally through the barrier it also percolates downward through the sedimentary beds. For this reason, the shallow beds contain progressively less water and depths to water increase toward the southwestern edge of the barrier. Soon after irrigation began in the Mud Lake-Market Lake area in the early 1900's, percolation of irrigation water caused an expansion of the perched water table in the sediments (mostly on the south and west sides of the barrier), thereby increasing the volume of saturated sediments. The area of perched water was again increased significantly in recent years, particularly south and west of Mud Lake, because large amounts of ground water pumped in the area north of Mud Lake were conveyed by canals to irrigated tracts west and southwest of the lake.

For convenience in the following discussion, the term *barrier* will be retained, but, as will be pointed out later, the concept of the barrier is changed by the data collected during this study.

Results of Test Drilling

Five wells were drilled to depths of 1,000 feet or more and two pre-existing wells were deepened in the general vicinity of the barrier in the summer and autumn of 1969 by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation. In 1967 and 1968, prior to the beginning of this study, the Bureau drilled several deep test holes near and northeast of Market Lake. Data from these wells, a few private wells, and from municipal wells several hundred feet deep, provide most of the basis for the interpretations made in this report. Some of these data are summarized in table 1. Drillers' logs and other additional data are presented in the appendix, and well locations are given in figure 5. Pertinent water levels obtained in other wells were also used in this study. However, most of these other wells extend only a few tens to a few hundreds of feet below water level, and drillers' logs for these wells are not presented because they do not indicate geologic and hydrologic conditions to any significant depth.

The five wells constructed for this study were drilled, using air-rotary or cable-tool equipment, to depths of approximately 500 feet and then were core-drilled to approximately 1,000 feet. Deepening of the two pre-existing wells was accomplished by core drilling. Six of these seven wells contain two to five piezometers each. (See Appendix for well-construction diagrams and logs.) The one well in which piezometers were not installed was equipped with a continuous water-level recorder. Although each piezometer is a separate and distinct well that was constructed for the purpose of monitoring water levels, in the interest of conserving space and for ease of presentation, the maps and the geologic sections show only one well at each piezometer cluster.

Geophysical and drillers' logs of wells in the area of the barrier show that upgradient from the barrier a considerable number of sand, silt, and clay beds are interbedded with basalt flows; for example, 610 feet of the log of well 8N-34E-17ccc6 shows sediments and 390 feet basalt (fig. 4, section B-B'). The sediments consist of beds of clay that resemble varved glacial clay at some places, silt, and fine-to-coarse sands that range in thickness from a few inches to more than 50 feet. At some places, the clays and sands contain fine-to-coarse gravel.

Well logs show that both the essentially flat-lying sediments and the basalt extend several miles north and east of the barrier, although the areal extent of individual sedimentary beds and basalt flows cannot be determined with any degree of confidence. Southwest of the barrier, except in the area near the mouth of Birch Creek where thick deposits of sediments were found in wells, basalt is the predominant rock type and the sedimentary beds are sparse and thin.

The geologic map (fig. 6) shows the surficial geology in the Mud Lake region. Informal names used by Stearns, Bryan, and Crandall (1939, pl. 3) were assigned to the geologic units for convenience. These units are also shown on the geologic sections and fence diagram (figs. 4 and 5). The basalt and interbedded sedimentary deposits shown are a part of the Snake River Group of Pleistocene and Holocene age. These rocks and the more recent alluvium are

the principal water-bearing formations explored by drilling. The silicic volcanic rocks shown on the geologic map were encountered in four wells (figs. 4 and 5). These rocks also contain ground water, although they are generally not as permeable as the basalt.

Test-drilling data and other well data showed that north and northeast of the barrier water in the upper zone of saturation occurs under water-table conditions. However, at the barrier area and for an unknown distance to the northeast, the water in the deeper aquifers is under artesian pressure. Northwest and west of Mud Lake and southwest of Terreton and Monteview, perched ground water occurs at shallow depth.

Wells 8N-34E-17ccc3-6 were completed so that water levels in four different water-bearing zones could be monitored at this location. Another well a few feet to the west (8N-34E-17ccc7) monitors the shallowest water level. Although the water level for each zone is different, those in the second and third shallowest zones are not greatly different. The following are the water levels and the water-bearing zones monitored at this site.

Well No.	Piezometer or Casing Size	Depth Monitored (feet)	Depth to Water (feet) (12-13-69)	Aquifer
8N-34E-				
17ccc7	6-in. casing	35 to 47	30 <u>+</u>	Sand
17ccc3	8-in. casing	340 to 350	46.7	Sand
17ccc4	1-in, pipe C	460 to 545	45.0	Sand & gravel
17ccc5	3/4-in, pipe B	566 to 888	170.1	Basalt
17ccc6	3/4-in. pipe A	912 to 1,006	223.9	Basalt

As indicated above, water levels at this site are not consistent. The water level in the 6-inch well is about 15 feet higher than that in the next zone. The water level in the 1-inch pipe is 1.7 feet higher than in the 8-inch casing. At deeper depths, the water levels are lower. A more typical example of water levels at different depths below land surface is illustrated by wells 6N-36E-11aba1-4 in the following table.

Well No.	Piezometer or Casing Size	Depth Monitored (feet)	Depth to Water (feet) (12-13-69)	Aquifer
6N-36E-				
11aba1	10-in. casing	14 to 245	70.7	Basalt
11aba2	3/4-in. pipe C	258 to 615	35.1	Basalt
11aba3	3/4-in. pipe B	628 to 915	34.8	Basalt & sand
11aba4	3/4-in. pipe A	925 to 990	18.1	Basalt

At this site, the water table is about 70 feet below land surface and the deeper water-bearing zones are under artesian pressure, with the deeper zones having the higher heads. These two examples demonstrate the variety of ground-water occurrences in the area. The approximate positions of the water levels in piezometers and the water-bearing formation monitored by the piezometers are shown in the geologic sections (fig. 4).

Geophysical Studies

In 1961, 1963, and 1964, several gravity surveys were made by the U. S. Geological Survey in the eastern Snake River Plain which included a part of the Mud Lake-Market Lake region. Additional gravity observations were made in 1970 in the study area to determine if this geophysical method could be used to interpret the geology of the region and thus further the understanding of geologic-hydrologic relations. The resulting gravity map did not show any apparent relationship of the variations in gravity to the geology of the barrier. Therefore, the gravity data are not included in this report.

Interpretation of Data

The geologic data from the test drilling show that much of the Mud Lake region is underlain by both basalt flows and sedimentary deposits to a depth of at least 1,000 feet. Southwest of the Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier, wells in excess of 1,000 feet in depth have found mostly basalt, and the thick interbedded sediments found at and northeast of the barrier are not present.

The well logs on the geologic sections (fig. 4) show the basalt flows and the interbedded sedimentary deposits. The alluvium which is at the surface east of Henrys Fork is overlain by basalt of Little Grassy Butte and underlain by early basalt west of the river (geologic section A-A'). The alluvium pinches out near Market Lake. West of Market Lake, the lakebeds of Terreton occur at the surface and a thick lens of sediments occurs at a depth of about 600 feet. The only other significant sedimentary deposits are far to the west at the mouth of the Birch Creek basin and in the vicinity of the Big Lost River playa beyond the area of study. Geologic section B-B' shows that north of Terreton sedimentary deposits predominate in the geologic section, but south of Terreton, sediments are not significant. Geologic section C-C', about 15 miles east of section B-B', illustrates the same relationship as shown in B-B', but the well data are more numerous and more detail can be shown. The correlation of units between wells is tentative, but it serves to illustrate the general geologic conditions of the region as revealed by the test drilling and other well data.

In order to show the geologic conditions in a perspective not possible with geologic sections, a fence diagram was constructed (fig. 5). The fence diagram shows a thick sequence of sediments in the Market Lake-Idaho Falls-Rexburg area and northwest of Mud Lake. Several basalt flows are intercalated in sediments. There are sedimentary deposits in the

subsurface between these two parts of the region, but they are thinner and the basalt units are more numerous and thicker. Northeast of a line between Dubois and St. Anthony, sparse data imply that the sediments become subordinate or even insignificant. Apparently, the streams were eroding and not depositing sediments in this part of the area. In the southwestern part of the region, basalt predominates and sedimentary beds are sparse and thin. It should be noted that geologic conditions below the depths drilled are unknown.

The water-level contour map (fig. 3) was constructed on the water table in the sedimentary aquifer except in that part of the area where perched water is known to occur. The hydrologic data show that, in general, upstream from the barrier, ground water occurs under water-table conditions in the uppermost saturated zone, although there are local areas with weak or low artesian pressures as described previously. However, in the deeper zones, ground water is under artesian pressure and contours for the artesian pressure surface are not shown. Data are not adequate to determine the northeasterly extent of the artesian aguifers from Mud Lake, but the artesian aguifers may pinch out north and east of Dubois, where the water-table steepens sharply at about the 4,800-foot contour. Water-level data from the test wells show that artesian pressures begin to develop about halfway between Rexburg and Market Lake and become progressively greater in the direction of the barrier (fig. 4, geologic section A-A'). Artesian pressures are found in both basalt and sediments. In general, the artesian pressures cause the water levels to rise above the water table and the deeper the well the higher the artesian pressure. For example, in wells 6N-36E-11aba1-4, described above, the elevation of the water table is at about 4,747 feet above mean sea level; the water level in the first artesian zone is about 4,783 feet, in the second zone at about 4,783 feet also, and in the third zone at 4,801 feet or 250 feet higher than the 4,570-foot contour 8 miles to the southwest (fig. 3). This implies a hydraulic gradient of something more than 30 feet per mile. In this and other test wells, the elevations of the artesian pressures range from about 1 to 53 feet above the elevation of the water table at the well site. Two private wells, 5N-35E-4bda2 and 4N-36E-1dac1, reportedly had artesian heads 200 feet higher than the elevation of the water table. (See fig. 4).

There are exceptions to this zonation of artesian pressure. In the wells north of Monteview that were described previously (8N-34E-17ccc3-6), the shallow water is perched and the deeper zones are under artesian pressure. The deeper water levels in this well are significantly lower than in a private well (6N-34E-7ba1), which is about 10.5 miles to the south. The reason for this is not clear, but the barrier probably does not extend from Mud Lake to Birch Creek valley as was described in previous reports. Instead, it may trend north or even northeast of Mud Lake.

Downstream from the barrier, the only artesian pressures are local occurrences that are common in basalt of the Snake River Group and are on the order of a few tenths of a foot to a few feet higher than the water table. This is caused by the interfingering of lava flows and the generally low vertical permeability of the basalts. Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, p. 143) describe this factor in causing slight but significant differences in water levels in successive permeable zones in the basalt. Morris and others (1964, p. 40-42)

describe the upward and downward flow of water from one permeable zone to another in bore holes on the National Reactor Testing Station and this phenomenon has been observed elsewhere in the Snake River Plain.

Upstream from the barrier, ground water in the non-artesian aquifer moves downgradient, or about normal to the water-level contours, southwestward and westward toward the barrier. In the downgradient part of the barrier, the water has a large downward component of movement as it percolates through the basalt and sediments to join the main body of water in the Snake Plain aquifer.

The water in the artesian aquifers appears to move in approximately the same direction as the non-artesian water except in the area northwest of Mud Lake. The reason for artesian pressures lower than the water table in well 8N-34E-17ccc6 is not apparent from the data. Either lithologic changes or some structural feature (or both) could cause this condition. For example, Stearns, Bryan, and Crandall (1939, p. 43) and Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, p. 133) suggest that there is a fault along the north side of Mud Lake, but Malde (1971) found no evidence of faulting.

In general, in the area where the hydraulic heads in the artesian aquifer are above the water levels in the water-table aquifers, upward leakage recharges the water-table aquifer. The data are not adequate to evaluate the amount of upward leakage, but it may be a significant amount in the Mud Lake part of the region.

The artesian pressures found in the test and other wells indicate that the net hydraulic gradient is steeper than was previously known. Although the hydraulic properties of the artesian aquifers are not known, the data suggest that much of the ground water in the region moves through the artesian aquifers before discharging to the Snake Plain aquifer southwest of the barrier. This study has significantly modified the concept of the barrier. Previous descriptions imply that the barrier denotes a change in geology. From the vicinity of the barrier area, as described by Stearns, Crandall, and Steward (1938, p. 111), up the water-table gradient for at least a few tens of miles, the saturated geologic section consists predominantly of beds of sediments that are intercalated with numerous basalt flows. Downgradient from the barrier, sedimentary deposits are not common and practically all the water-bearing formations are basalt, at least to the depths explored so far. Thus, the barrier is a transition zone from a sedimentary-basaltic sequence to a basaltic sequence.

The Mud Lake region lies close to high mountain ranges which shed large amounts of sediments during the Pleistocene and Holocene Epochs, particularly during times of glaciation and high precipitation. These sediments were deposited in streams and lakes in low areas. Basalt flows of local origin were erupted at infrequent intervals during deposition of the sediments. Eruptions of basalt on the Snake River Plain south and west of the Mud Lake region impeded the spread of sediments in those directions. The complex interbedding of basalt and sediments produced a hydrologic system different from the Snake Plain

aquifer system and thus the Mud Lake region should be excluded from the Snake Plain aquifer.

This study did not develop new data to either support or change the estimate by Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, p. 136) of the quantity of ground-water flow in the Mud Lake part of the region. It should be noted that the direction of ground-water flow as shown on their plate 4 applies only to the water table and not to the water in the artesian aquifers. Irrigation on the Egin Bench has undoubtedly influenced the water table and artesian pressures in the Mud Lake area, but an assessment of this effect is not possible at this time. Perhaps modification and stressing of the analog model might shed some light on this problem, and an analysis using this model will be attempted later in the project.

ADDITIONAL STUDY NEEDS

In the area of Mud Lake, a few hundred irrigation wells pump water from the water-table aquifer and Mud Lake receives much of its inflow from ground water. Surface-water use for irrigation is of minor importance. In the area of Market Lake and the Henrys Fork drainage, the reverse is true. Surface water is the major irrigation supply and ground-water use is minor. If the past is a clue to the future, development of ground water in the Mud Lake basin will continue and, because the water users have expressed concern about the present stage of development of the water-table aquifer, attempts will be made to utilize the artesian aquifers. In the Market Lake and Henrys Fork areas, ground-water development is being planned and additional developments are being considered. It would be desirable to assess the effects that planned and potential development will have on the ground-water regimen and to provide information for optimum management.

The test drilling has indicated in a general way the hydrologic and geologic conditions in the barrier and upgradient from the barrier area. However, only the upper 1,000 feet of the geologic section has been explored. There are no reliable data on the thickness of the water-bearing formations in the barrier area and only a little is known about the areal extent of the artesian aquifers. Also, the available data are not adequate to describe even generally the water-bearing characteristics of the artesian aquifer nor the effects that pumping in one zone would have on adjacent zones. Thus, more data are needed to define the areal extent and water-producing potential of the artesian aquifers and to evaluate the permeability of the perching beds above the artesian aquifers. Production test wells, deeper exploratory holes, and resistivity geophysical soundings could be used to obtain these data.

A production test well in the artesian aquifer could be drilled almost anywhere in the general area encompassed by a line from Roberts to Camas to Monteview to Roberts. One suggested location would be at the site of well 7N-35E-13aad1, where an observation well was drilled for the present investigation. Pumping the proposed production well for a sufficient period of time would provide information on the effects of deep pumping on the shallower water-table aquifer. The results of this test could then be evaluated for additional deep testing in other parts of the region.

Deeper exploratory holes should be drilled in the same general area outlined in the preceding paragraph to determine more about the thickness and character of the aquifers below a depth of 1,000 feet. Deeper exploratory holes would determine the possibility of drilling deeper production wells. To resolve the problem of the areal extent of the artesian aquifers, exploratory holes about 2,000 feet deep should be drilled in the basalt plain that occurs several miles northeast of Mud Lake, principally in Clark and Fremont Counties.

To minimize the number of exploratory holes needed, direct-current resistivity soundings could be used to correlate the major geologic units between widely spaced exploratory wells. However, the only method of determining the yield of any aquifers below the depths explored to date will require deep production wells.

This study revealed anomalous artesian pressures in wells 8N-34E-17ccc3-6 northeast of Monteview. Additional drilling and geophysical studies are needed to explain this condition and the effects of local development on the entire aquifer systems.

The present project study was not structured to answer the above problems.

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APPENDIX

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Well logs and well construction details of the wells constructed by the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation and used in this report are presented in the following pages.

TABLE 1

WELL DATA FROM EXPLORATORY AND OBSERVATION WELLS DRILLED FOR THIS STUDY

AND FOR THE LOWER TETON DIVISION, TETON PROJECT, U.S.B.R.

(* - Well drilled or deepened for this study; A, B, C, and D, 3/4- or 1-inch piezometer.)

		Piezometer						
Well No.	Depth (feet)	Number or Casing Sizea	Interval Open to Formation (feet)	Depth to Waterb (feet)				
9N-39E- 4aa1	885	5½-inch	845 - 885	844.3				
9N-40E- 5dd1	747	5½-inch	705 - 747	705.4				
8N-34E-17ccc3 [*]	1,006.5	6-inch	340 - 350	40.5				
17ccc4		С	460 - 545	40.9				
17ccc5*		В	566 - 888	165.8				
17ccc6*		А	912 - 1,006.5	5 222.4				
17ccc7		6-inch	47 - 48	29.0				
8N-40E- 1cad1	376	5½-inch	330 - 376	303.7				
21ddd1	450	С	15 - 80	Dry				
21ddd2		В	192 - 382	136.3				
21ddd3		А	423 - 450	136.6				
7N-35E-13aad1*	1,000.7	14-inch	14 - 515	c3.8				
13aad2*		С	590 - 760	c3,4				
13aad3*		В	792 - 827	c+1.4				
13aad4*		А	838 - 1,000.7	c+1.4				
7N-38E-23dba3	632.5	8-inch	181 - 200	41.6				
23dba4		С	313 - 426	47.7				
23dba5		В	451 - 595	47.1				
23dba6		А	613 - 632.5	47.1				
7N-39E- 1ccc1	122	6-inch	84 - 122	80.7				
1ccc2	55	6-inch	19 - 55	Dry				
16acc1	444	8-inch	215 - 444	59.2				
16acc2	107	8-inch	96 - 107	35.0				
16acc3	38	8-inch	28 - 38	14.0				
16acc4	503	22-inch	255.6 - 503	58.8				
34ccb1	26	8-inch	14 - 26	6.0				
34ccb2	342	8-inch	161.5 . 342	15.8				
34ccb3	410	24-inch	156.7 - 410	15.9				
7N-40E-19add1	394.7	24-inch	198.5 - 394.7	34.6				
19add2	355.0	6-inch	144 - 355	33.7				

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7N-40E-19add3	40.5	8-inch	31.3° -	40.5	20.9
19add4	20.5	8-inch	10.7 -	20.5	9.3
20cdc1	399.6	С	63 -	189	46.0
20cdc2		В	220 -	356	52.4
20cdc3		А	378 -	399.6	53.7
6N-36E-11aba1*	1,002.2	10-inch	14 -	245	70.8
11aba2 [*]		С	258 -	615	35.3
11aba3 [*]		В	628 -	915	35.1
11aba4 [*]		А	925 -	990	20.2
6N-37E-29aca1	573	16-inch	21 -	62	43.6
29aca2		12-inch	151 -	175	47.4
29aca3		10-inch	404 -	440	38.8
29aca4		6-inch	505 -	573	38.9
6N-38E-25acb1	685	24-inch	450.6 -	685	17.7
25acb2	681	8-inch	483.3 -	681	19.2
25acb3	243.7	8-inch	236.7 -	241.7	21.0
25acc4	50	8-inch	43 -	48	18.9
30bad2	638	6-inch	260 -	270	90.4
30bad3		В	430 -	543.5	85.6
30bad4		A	575 -	638	85.7
6N-39E-10bbb1	636.8	6-inch	168 -	260	21.7
10bbb2		С	290 -	317	21.7
10bbb3		В	339 -	545	21.7
10bbb4		А	570 -	636.8	19.1
23aac1	25	8-inch	20 -	25	7.0
23aac2	465	8-inch	257 -	435	29.7
23aac3	438	24-inch	245 -	426	30.1
6N-39E-30adc1	699.7	6-inch	263.6 -	385	5.7
30adc2		В	406 -	620	7.8
30adc3		Α	638 -	699.7	7.0
5N-33E-13dbc1 [*]	1,006.5	8-inch	276 -	290	263.2
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120004 126665* 2N-35E- 266c1* 266c2*	1,302	ь А 10-inch В	850 110 883	- 042 - 1,026 - 800 - 982	107.8 577.6 577.8
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^a Some wells have 3/4-inch and 1-inch diameter piezometers that are designated by letters A, B, C, and D. At other places, three or four wells of various depths have been drilled within a few feet of each other.

^b April 1969.

^c Water-level measurements on 6-2-70.

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Project Lower Teton Division Feature Exploratory Hole & Pleasureter Bank State Idaho	Project Lower Yeton Division Feature Exploratory Hole & Pleasanter Bank State Idaho
Well No. 7M/38E-23443 (Size 4) Location section 23, T. 7 N., R. 36 E., B.M. Wireline diamond	Approx. 1,640 fr. West and 730 fr. South of Bk Corner, Well No. 7H/35E-23483 (Eite 4) Location section 23, 7, 7 H., R. 35 E., B.H.
Total Depth 632.5 ft. Begun 6/19/67 Completed 6/26/67 Drilling Method case drill & churn drill	Total Depth_632.5 etcBegun_6/10/67 Completed_6/26/67 Drilling Method_entreside statement
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Yield Drawdown Other Data Drawdown Other Data	Elevation (ground) 4839.9 W.L. Meas. Pt. See Belev (Bes georegics log book, driller's and itspector's
Lodged ByH. X=Geophysical Lod_ by N.R.T.S.G.S. Drilled By Justice Core Brilling Co.	Liggrad By E. Kan Gaphysical Log Gama & Gama & Gama
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Yield	Drawdown		Other	Data_	See driller's and inspector's reports
Logged By D	rtiler Ge	ophysical La	og		Drilled By Justice Core Drilling (S.
Dritting Data Pump Tests Water Samples	Oescription of Well Completion	Weil Diagram	Dept Dept	Core Recov Type	Classification and Physical Condition
Drilled under	Puddled surface			D	0.0 - 16.0 - TOPSOIL and SAND.
Spece. 100C-910	19 6" I.D. Cog.		珊		16.0 - 55.0 - MASALT and CINDERS; red and gray.
Vater-surface elevations	55_8" Nole		5 <u>0</u>		
8/28/67	6" I.D. Cza.		1777		
Well A - 4831.9 E - 4875.3	84.3 w/shom		100 80.00		68.0' - 122.0' - BAHALY and CINDERS; gray.
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Total Depth <u>394</u> .	.7	Begun <u>5/9/68</u>	Complet	ed 8/2/68 Drilling Method Cable tool	
Static Water Lev	vel 30.83 ft.	{	above Meas P	^{ot} Top of casing, S. side Date <u>7/3</u>	1/68
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Yield des below	Drawdown_	See below	Other Dat	to field log.	TOBIC
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at 5000 gym max.	30 in. hole 40 to 124, 30 in.		50 TTT	42 to 51, BASALT, light gray, aphanitic, dense, olivins - bearing	mostl
test 7/30/68. <u>Mach.</u> DE. 1000 stm 0.69 ft	temp. can 0 to 124, 27 in. hole 124 to 160.		斑	51 to 52 SAND AND GRAVEL, similar to that 0.42.	t at
2000 1.26 3000 2.31 4000 3.63 5000 5.76 Continuous test	24 in. 0.D.,500 in, wall ceg. .2 to 160, Comment grout			52 to 142 BABALT, grey, brown, reddish, a fite, dense to highly vesicular, allvine ing. Driller reports sand 120-123	- bes
90 min. per step Constant yield test 7/31/68 - 8/2/68.	154-160, factor; shoe at 160, 160 23 in. hole 160		150	142 to 153 SHIATY SAND, reddish brown, fir comrse grained, principally subrounded to angular quarts and silicio volcanic rock	ae to Saub- IS
Transmissibility - 1.6 X 10 ³ to	to 198.5 20 in. 0.D.,.311 wall liner 145			153 to 194 BASAIT, similar to 52 to 142. some of SILITY SAND near 175-180	Thin
(1.7 to 2.9 I 10 ⁷ gpd./ft.)	198.5 <u>Near surface</u> details	 	围	194 to 197 BILTY SAND, reddish-brown, fin grained, principally quarts.	18-
storage - less than 1.0 X 10 ⁻⁵	1 ^f in. pipe 24 in.ceg.	i	 750	197 to 236 BASAIT, gray, lathy with few 3 orysts grading to aphanitic, dense to sec oliving.hearing	pheno- priaces
Quality sample 8/1/68 pH - 7.96 Spec. Cond290			重	236 to 241 SANDY SHIF, reddish-brown, fir coarse grained quarks and basalt sand, mu fragments of basalt and alteration materi	ne of mercus
8 - 0.06 ppm 1003 - 2.89 mm./1.	grout			241 to 302 BASAIN, gray, aphanitic, dense vesicular olivine-bearing,	ı to
0.12 me./1. SAR - 0.34 Sediment after pumping C.Y. for	34 in. cmg.		150	302 to 307 SANDY SILT, dark brown, fine g quarts and basalt sand, numerous basalt f mants and alteration meterial.	oraine Trag-
48 hrs 1ess than 0.01 ml.			臣	307 to 394.7 BASALT, gray, reddieb, aphan damse to scoriaceous, oliving-bearing, mu teration material at 394	uitic, ush al
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Specs. 100C-1003 0.0 to 21.0 ft.	0.0 to 4 - SILTY SAND, tan, fine-	-grained.		513 to 517 - SILT, orange, sandy, lightly
Undisturbed drive 16 in. 0.D., samples taken by .250 well car.	4 to 65 - BASALT, gray and red, d vesicular.	dense to		quartz.
double tube + 0.8 to 21.0 sampler attached ft builtup to drill stem. shoe. Puddled olar surface seel.	50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 50 5	h-orange, quartz ic volcanic and	SS0	s1 ^a 517 to 555 - BASALT, gray, vesicular interbedded with VOLCANIC EJECTA, red and gray, apparently (s) cinders and scoria, lost most of cuttings.
Lab. analysis by 15 in. hole 21 U.S.G.S. Denver to 90 ft. Clay Hydrologic Lab seal 62 to 90 ft. Spac. grav., spec	90 to 144 - SAMD, gravish tan, fi quartz with mamerous gravels, bec gray with depth.	lme-grained comes silty and	500	SSS - 573 - VOLCANIC BRECCIA, reddish, basaltic, apparently vesicular basalt and scoria in granular, mud-like matrix, cinders mear bottom,
spec. yield, vert. wall cag. + 1.2 perm. and w.a. to 151.5 ft	144 to 165 - 345ALT, dart gray, w	vesicular.		573 - TOTAL DEPTH
factory shoe Struck first water 12 in. hole 90 at 53 to 65 ft. to 175 ft.	165 to 175 - SAND & GRAVEL, gray, and basalt, obsidian and silicic gravels up to 25m.	, quartz sand Volcanic		
W.S. depths 10 in. 1.0250 (below 0.6.) and elevations wall csg. + 1.2 elevations to 404 ft factory show	DS notly quarts and basalt, becomes grained and silty at 180 (*).	-wadium grained, s tan, fine-		
10 in. hole 175 6 in. csg. to 440 ft. Daugth - 39.6	238 to 260 - BASALT, dark gray, d	lense.		
E2 4783.8 6 in. I.D250 wall cag. + 1.9 10 in. cag. to 505 ft Depth - 39.6 factory shoe	260 to 285 - SAND, gray, fine-gra coarser and cleaner 275 to 280 an 280 - 285.	nimed, silty, ad very silty		
E1 4783.8 6 in, hole 440 to 573 ft.	DS 285 to 358 - SILTY CLAY, gray, fi DS sandy at 300, sandy and silty at	rm, becomes 310,		
Depth - 47.7 Well Head E1 4775.7 Detail	358 to 375 - BASALT, dark gray, d	lonse ,		
16 in. cap. Depth - 43.9 El 4779.5 6 in.	Å75 to 405 - BASALT, reddish-gray vesicular to scoriaceous, lost al 380 - 405.	, highly 1 cuttings		
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lé in. csg.	Als to 445 - VOLCANIC BRECCLA, re- basaltic, spparontly vesicular ba account of the second se	ddish gray, salt and scoria trix.		
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SAMPLE TYPE: CR: Core DS = Drive Semple CL CT = Cuttings D Drives Log SI	LAY SARD []] BASALT	A FOR	- Drive Sample CLAY	
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NO Expl. Hole 9 WELL NO <u>6N/37E_29ac1</u> Expl. Hole 9



WELL NO <u>68/385-25ec)</u> (Test Well 1)





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Attempted reverse			90-105 GRAVEL. fine to media	lan l				scortateous to 599 599,5-556.7 BASALT.	.6. gray to gray-green. dense.
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4830.97	190'		178-181 GRAVEL, coarse, and	sand	(374° přp			744.1-751* CLAY, FUS	ity red, silty, firm
	200	- Oten	190-204 GRAVEL, coarse, ball	ed 4-5" cobbles	705' groui		1.1.1	751±-763 GRAVEL, man	iium (24" recovered) subrod
Water surface,	225		225-248 GRAVEL, medium to co	sanc arse, with send	728' sram		12世	green igneous (die	prite?) pebbles.
1/19//0	235'		248-256 GRAVEL, medium, with	sand				763-778 SAND, brown	with clay and gravel
F1020. E104.	2651	120 C 20	256-266 SAND		755' 🕻 bei	rs		778-784 CLAY, silty	
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0 4790.88 0 4790.56	10"_csg		275-280 SAND 280-290 GRAVEL and SAND			Pram coliper		 phenocrysis or qui magnetite, dip 7-8 	ertz, sanadine(?), and trace
"t" 4813.8/	291.8	805'	303-330 GRAVEL, coarse, with	sand	PIEZOMETE	520-800' • 500	1.01.01	811-840.0 CLAY, red-	tan, firm to plastic, silty
	280.0-381.5'		330-333 SAND 533-342 CLAY, brown, sticky	at top, sendy toward	(3/4* p1pa			840.0-889.5 BÁSALT,	gray with zones green-gray,
	6" liner		base 342-347 CLAY, gravelly		842' grout			 numerous feldspar vesicular, trace : 	needles, dense to moderately collte crystals at 848.5.
-E- D	8.	- 350 - 544	347-359 CLAY, brown, sandy		852° grevi			889.5-898.0 CLAY, re	ed-brown, silty to sandy,
		hele	359-375 CLAY, with fine grave	e)				contains angular l	oasalt fragments.
│ ┌┶╁┥╅╅ ┑ │			375-380 CLAY, sendy 880-397 SAND, firm with soft	streexs				898.0-970.0 BASALT, feldspar, dense to	gray to red-brown, abundant moderately vesicular, numerous
	PIEZOMETER D (T pipa)	100 generation	B97-423 CLAY, brown, sticky		han t	- 90		broken zones belo	936.5.
	420' grout		#23-459 CLAY, with streaks o	f gravel	913' ž pei	······································	144	970.0-1026.0 CLAY. 1	rown silty to green plastic.
to at the			59-469 BASALT, black			•	太付	with thin hard lay with zones of fine	vers of calcareous silt to sand, grained brown clavev sand.
4830.05	452' gravel	150	469-474 SAND, gray (blow san	d, driller)		- 95	9 Kiti	beds dip 8 ⁰² .	
1	475' & perfs.		474-490 BASALT, dark gray, w	ith some scoria					
	475-490' perfs. 6" csg.		890-500 CLAY, ASH, with some	broken basalt				1026.0 Total depth	
SAMPLE TYPE CH - Core			GRAVEL CHER ASH		SAMPLE TYL: CR # Core	EGEST CLAY) INTOLITE TOFF
CT - Cuttogs D Dritters Log		SAND [S	BOULDERS BASALT	SITE 14	CH / Cutrings D Drifter= Sig	SAND SAND	R. C.	BASALT] <u>SITE 14</u>
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3" 679.0'-1302.0				0	0	0.0' to 24.0' + BASALT; gray.		
(10' castng 0.0'-				0	a	4.0' to 34.0' - CINDERS; loose.	~~~~~	
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Elevation (ground	5089.83	N N	Meas. P.	1.18 Fast (above) Ground
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	912.0' & of 5.0' perforations. 917.0' bottom of piezometer 3.		12 22 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 1	902.8' to 945.3' - BASALT; medium-gray, aphunitic; slightly to highly vesicular; slightly to highly jointed; clay semme, and banding.
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	982.0' grout	000	11 1111 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 11 100 CR	lar to aphanitic; plagioclase and quartz pheno- crysts; scorisceous; highly co slightly vesicular; highly to slightly jointed.
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PROJECT Snake	liain Recharge			WELL NO 23 35 E 200

WELL NO 28 35 E 2bb Site 716

WELL NO.2N IS E 200

BASALT CINDEKS AND ASH

SAND CRAVEL

CLAY CLAY SILT

SAMPLE TYPE: EST R = Corr D = Dirling Log FOULECT South Plate Recharge

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SHEET 3 OF 3	LOG OF WELL	Fediure Exploration Drill Hole - Deepen Rwy. /1 State Idaho	LocationWetNet sec. 2, T. 2N., R. 355., Banneyille County	in 7/1/69 Completed 7/25/69 Drilling Method Core 0111	Cote 7/16/69	W.L. Meds. Pr. 1.18 Feet (above) Ground	Geologist's detailed log book, drilfers log,	ysical Log gamma gamma, electric gamma, Drilled By Justice Core Drilling Co.	***1 The control of t	2004 1 (Contined from page 2) (Contined from page 2) 1043.0 ⁴ to 1050.4 ¹ - GRAVELY SILT light red to 20 pale brown; up to 30% angular basaltic gravel.	0     1030.0' to 1131.0' - EASAIT; medium gray; equi-       0     1030.0' to 1131.0' - EASAIT; medium gray; equi-       0     Fraular; plagic/lase and olivine common; mod-       0     100       erately to slightly vesicular; plagiclase and olivine common; mod-			(1183.0' to 1187.0' - SANDY CRAVELLY SILT; reddfsh-	of a provide the state of the s	<pre>0 01000 1187.0' co 1261.1' - BASAIT; medium gray, qui- 0 00 118 granular; olivine phemocrysts; scoreaceous; 0 018htly to moderately vesicular; moderately 0 0 CR jointed.</pre>		100 CLARST 1 224.1, co 1289.1 - CLAYEY SILT; brown baked; callene stringers; considerable clay; sinor fine 100 CR sand	C. 1302 1 100 CR 1289.1 to 1302.0 - BASALT, mediam gray, equi- granular; adnor altered olivine; slightly to poderately vesicular; moderately to slightly intrack	1950 Mote: Scortaceous, cindery, and highly vestcular zones shown by vertical ticks on log.	CLAT EREAD SAND EFFE BASALT SILT EVENEL EFFE CLANERS AND ASH	
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PART 2

# OBSERVATION WELLS SOUTH OF ARCO

# AND WEST OF ABERDEEN

#### PREFACE

The Snake Plain aquifer, as defined by Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, p. 142), is a series of basalt flows and intercalated pyroclastic and sedimentary materials that underlies the Snake River Plain east of Bliss (fig. 1). The aquifer is about 9,500 square miles in areal extent and is one of the largest-yielding aquifers in the United States. Approximately 6½-million acre-feet of water is recharged annually to this aquifer by seepage loss from the Snake River and its tributaries, by underflow from tributary valleys, by the downward percolation of water applied for irrigation, and by precipitation on the Plain. Water is discharged from the aquifer through springs and by pumping for irrigation, municipal, industrial, stock, and domestic use. Although the aquifer has been extensively studied and its general extent and properties are known, it is so large and thick that data on the distribution of the basalt flows and interbedded sedimentary deposits that control the movement of ground water have not been obtained at several places of great current importance. Also, there are large areas where the position of the water table and the potential yield of the aquifer are not known.

The objectives of this investigation are to obtain (1) information descriptive of elevations and fluctuations of the water table, water-table gradients, and the distribution of transmissivity, in areas of the Snake Plain aquifer where data are lacking; (2) details of stratigraphic and hydrologic properties at localities selected as being suitable for pumping large quantities of ground water in exchange for surface water¹; (3) hydrologic details in the eastern part of this aquifer, where the greatest amount of recharge occurs, so as to interpret better the distribution of recharge to spring discharge areas; and (4) water-level and stratigraphic data in the area of the Mud Lake-Market Lake barrier so as to better define recharge relations and large water-level differentials occurring in and around this barrier. In addition, it is expected that all the data collected will be integrated into an existing analog model of the Snake Plain aquifer so that the long-term effects of development of the aquifer can be better predicted.

The Idaho Department of Water Administration has the responsibility of administering the water resources of Idaho, and for this reason it is vitally interested in basic data descriptive of the water resources of the Snake River Plain. Because the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation is actively developing the water resources available in various parts of the Plain, it needs basic data which will be useful in selecting areas suitable for development and in evaluating effects of development. The U. S. Geological Survey has a responsibility for collecting basic data and for appraising the water resources of Idaho. Because of their common interests, and in recognition of the need for information about the water resources of the Snake Plain aquifer, these three agencies entered into a cooperative agreement whereby the U. S. Geological Survey and the U. S. Bureau of Reclamation would initiate, in

¹ The U.S. Bureau of Reclamation is investigating the feasibility of diverting surface water from presently irrigated land to areas of inadequate surface-water supply or areas of no surface-water supply and replacing the diverted surface water with ground water.

July 1969, a 4-year project whose goal is to satisfy the objectives described above.

To provide for timely release of the data collected during this 4-year project, it is planned that a series of reports describing the work accomplished during each phase of the project will be prepared. The Mud Lake region was discussed in part 1 of this report series. The present report (part 2) concentrates attention on an area farther southwest, where the hydrologic environment and problems are different. Part 2 presents (1) water-level and lithologic data obtained from drilling three observation wells (2N-26E-22dda1, 1S-27E-14dcc1, and 5S-28E-26bbd1) and deepening another well (3N-26E-22aba1) on the Snake River Plain south of Arco and west of Aberdeen and (2) a revision of a local part of the existing regional water-level contour map.

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#### A PROGRESS REPORT ON

### RESULTS OF TEST-DRILLING AND GROUND-WATER INVESTIGATIONS

### OF THE SNAKE PLAIN AQUIFER, SOUTHEASTERN IDAHO

Part 2

Observation Wells South of Arco and West of Aberdeen

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#### ABSTRACT

Three wells were drilled and another well deepened in a part of the Snake River Plain where geologic and hydrologic data are sparse. Most of the material drilled was basalt with a few thin interbedded fine-grained sedimentary deposits. The sediments increase in thickness and coarseness near the mouth of the Big Lost River basin. The water-level data obtained from the wells indicate that the water-table gradient is relatively steep between Arco and American Falls and that the gradient is relatively low southwest of the area of steep gradient. The new data generated in this study permit a significant revision of previous water-level contour maps.

The reason for the steep gradient is not clear, but the water table may be influenced by a rift zone which is visible more than three fourths of the way across the Plain from the Craters of the Moon National Monument; by a change in thickness of the aquifer caused by a ridge representing a buried north-south trending mountain range; by a significant thickening of basalt filling an erosional basin immediately downgradient from the steepened gradient; or by a fault in the underlying basalt whose trace has been obliterated by younger flows.

#### INTRODUCTION

Three wells drilled for this phase of the project are in line 5, 12, and 25 miles south of Arco; the fourth is 18 miles west of Aberdeen; all are in the north-central part of the Snake River Plain in southern Idaho (fig. 3). The Snake River Plain, a broad, rolling plain extending from Bliss eastward and northeastward to Ashton (fig. 1), is underlain chiefly by basaltic lava flows. Domes, craters, and cinder cones are scattered throughout the Plain and mark centers of past volcanic activity. The total thickness of the basaltic flows is unknown, but wells and geophysical data indicate that the basalt is more than 2,000 feet thick. From



FIGURE 1. Map of southern Idaho showing the Snake River Plain and area covered by this report.

Arco southward toward Minidoka and southwestward toward Carey, wells are scarce and, therefore, even the approximate position of the water table in this area has been but poorly defined. The drilling described herein was accomplished to better define the position of the water table in this part of the Plain and to collect hydrologic information descriptive of hydrogeologic conditions at the margin of the Plain where a large mountain basin (Big Lost River basin) is tributary to the Plain.

#### Well-Numbering System

The well-numbering system used by the U. S. Geological Survey in Idaho indicates the location of wells within the official rectangular subdivision of the public lands, with reference to the Boise base line and meridian. The first two segments of the number designate the township and range. The third segment gives the section number, followed by three letters and a numeral, which indicate the quarter section, the 40-acre tract, the 10-acre tract, and the serial number of the well within the tract, respectively. Quarter sections are lettered a, b, c, and d in counterclockwise order from the northeast quarter of each section (fig. 2). Within the quarter sections, 40-acre and 10-acre tracts are lettered in the same manner. Well 2N-26E-22dda1 is in the NE¼SE¼SE¼ sec. 22, T. 2 N., R. 26 E., and was the first well inventoried in that tract.

#### **RESULTS OF DRILLING**

#### Well 3N-26E-22aba1

Well 3N-26E-22aba1 (fig. 3) was originally drilled to a depth of 819 feet and, when completed in 1966, had a perched water level of 585 feet below land surface. While this well was being constructed, the driller reported that perched water also occurred at depths of 275 and 445 feet. As a part of this project, the well was deepened to 1,075 feet in 1970 and a 4-inch casing was grouted at 970 feet leaving the bottom 105 feet of the well open to basalt, sand, and gravel. The water level in the deepened well was at 793 feet below land surface on September 17, 1970, and is representative of the water table in the Snake Plain aquifer at this location. As shown in figure 4, illustrating lithologic and geophysical logs, a total of eight zones of basalt, each separated by layers of clay, sand, and gravel, were penetrated in drilling the well.

#### Well 2N-26E-22dda1

Well 2N-26E-22dda1 (fig. 3) was drilled to a depth of 1,053 feet and cased with 6-inch casing to a depth of 728 feet. The well is uncased from 728 to 1,053 feet. Perched water was found in clean sand and gravel at a depth of 664 feet below land surface. The perching layer is a clay bed from 720 to 728 feet. The only other sediments found in drilling were a





3-foot bed of silt and clay at 186 feet and another 5-foot bed at 412 feet. No perched water was found above or in these beds. The regional water table is at a depth of 980 feet below land surface.

#### Well 1S-27E-14dcc1

Well 1S-27E-14dcc1 (fig. 3) was drilled to a depth of 1,041 feet and cased with 4-inch casing to 1,031 feet. A 4-foot bed of baked silt and clay was found at 790 feet, an 8-foot bed of baked red sand at 988 feet, and a fine red sand bed at 1,033 to 1,041 feet. The regional water table is 995 feet below land surface. No perched water was found in this well.



#### EXPLANATION

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Contour on the water table, fall 1970 Contour interval 50 feet Datum is mean sea level

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Contours on the water table, 1959, as shown in Mundorff and others 1964 (plate 4)

Contour interval 50 feet, except where dotted Datum is mean sea level

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Observation well drilled for this project and number

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Observation well and number

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Well with water-level data and number

Great Rift of the Craters of the Moon National Monument and Great Rift National Landmark

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Line of geologic section (refer to fig. 5)

FIGURE ω covered by Part 2. Map showing contours on the water table and location <del>약</del> wells Ξ. area

#### Well 5S-28E-26bbd1

Well 5S-28E-26bbd1 (fig. 3) was drilled to a depth of 763.5 feet and cased with 4-inch casing. Although a small amount of water was found at approximately 670 feet, the regional water level is taken to be 680 feet below land surface.

### **EVALUATION OF DATA**

#### **Revision of Water-Level Contour Map**

In the past, insufficient data were available to define adequately the position of the water table in that area of the Snake River Plain encompassed by a line connecting the towns of Carey, Arco, Aberdeen, and Minidoka. The configuration of the water table in this part of the Plain, as interpreted by Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964, pl. 4) on the basis of data available at that time, is shown in figure 3. Although a few stock wells have been drilled in this part of the Plain since 1964, wells from which water-level measurements can be obtained are still sparse. Water-level measurements in observation wells drilled for this study, and a few recently available water levels in other wells, permitted revision of the previous water-level contour map. The two interpretations are shown in figure 3. Southwest of the 4,050-foot contour and northeast of the 4,420-foot contour, well data are adequate to define the position of the water table with a reasonable degree of confidence. As can be noted in figure 3, the contours from 4,100 to 4,400 feet, inclusive, have been shifted eastward and northeastward resulting in a map with a very low water-table gradient between the 4,050 and 4,100-foot contours and a much steeper gradient between the 4,100 and 4,400-foot contours. Except immediately south of Arco, the gradient is very low northeast of the 4,400-foot contour. As more observation wells are drilled and more water-level data become available, further revision of the water-level contour map may be required.

#### **Evaluation of Hydrologic Data**

As noted previously, perched water was found in well 2N-26E-22dda1 and several perched water-bearing zones were found in well 3N-26E-22aba1. These wells and well 1S-27E-14dcc1 are shown in the geologic section (fig. 5). In addition, a test well (4N-26E-21abb1), drilled in 1969, 4 miles northwest of Arco is shown (Crosthwaite and others, 1970, p. 72, fig. 25). The geologic section shows the geologic and hydrologic conditions southward from the mouth of the Big Lost River basin, a major valley tributary to the Snake River Plain. Water was encountered at successively greater depths in wells 4N-26E-21aba1 and 3N-26E-22aba1 as the wells were drilled and cased during construction. Thus, the water levels shown by triangles on the geologic section are the water levels when the bore hole was open between the bottom of the casing and the bottom of the hole. The lowermost triangle shows the water level in the completed well. Well 3N-26E-22aba1 was constructed so as to penetrate saturated basalt, sand, and gravel which are several tens of



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feet below the elevation of the water table in the Snake Plain aquifer several miles to the south. Thus, the water levels in the well should be representative of the water level in the main aquifer.

The water-level contour map shows that ground water is moving to the south and southwest from the Big Lost River basin to the Snake River Plain and that the gradient is relatively steep, on the order of 25 feet per mile. Ground water in the Big Lost River basin moves to the Snake Plain aquifer in several water-bearing zones, separated by less permeable zones which are several hundred feet above the regional water table. As the water percolates downward, these zones become progressively drained until no ground water remains on the perching layers.

The sequence of basalt and sediments at the mouth of the Big Lost River basin is the result of sediment deposition by the Big Lost River alternating with volcanic activity. Lava flows have dammed the river several times and thereby caused it to change its course. The sediments encountered in the drill holes were most likely deposited behind lava dams or laid down in stream channels after the river topped the lava dams. The gravel overlying the clay in well 2N-26E-22dda1 is a typically clean river gravel. Its geographic location implies that the river had a more southerly course than the present one which is southeast, east, and finally northward to the southern end of the Lemhi Range.

The reason for the steep water-table gradient between the 4,150 and 4,400-foot contour is not clear. One possible explanation is its proximity to an extensive fissure or rift zone. The most recent volcanic activity on the Snake River Plain has occurred along the Great Rift in the Craters of the Moon National Monument (Stearns, 1928, p. 6). The Great Rift extends across the Monument in a southeasterly direction from the mountains bordering the Monument on the north and is marked by a double line of cinder cones. To the southeast of the Monument, three major rifts and fissures with several sets of subsidiary fractures can be traced for 25 miles. Buttes and craters occur along the rifts. The Great Rift in the Monument and the rift zone to the southeast are part of a rift system that extends more than three-fourths the distance across the Snake River Plain (fig. 3). The National Park Service, U. S. Department of the Interior, has designated that part of the rift zone outside the Craters of the Moon National Monument as the Great Rift National Landmark. The most spectacular feature of the national landmark is an open rift in the west part of T. 5 S., R. 28 E., and in the northwest part of T. 6 S., R. 28 E. This rift is open for almost 7 miles and is as much as 20 feet wide. The open crack extends to a depth of several hundred feet. Subsidiary cracks which generally parallel the main rift are as much as 8 to 10 inches wide, several hundred yards long, and appear to be several tens of feet deep. As many as half a dozen cracks may occur within a distance of a quarter of a mile. There is no discernible vertical displacement along the fractures or rifts.

The southern part of the Great Rift National Landmark, in the northern part of Power County, almost coincides with the steep gradient of the water table described above and shown in figure 3. Farther north in the area of the steep water-table gradient there is no

surface evidence of a rift. The available evidence could be interpreted to indicate that a buried rift system is the cause of the steep gradient; however, other factors could produce the same effect. For example, the saturated thickness of basalt may be greater both upgradient and downgradient from the area of the steep water-table gradient. This change in thickness could be caused by a ridge representing a buried north-south trending mountain range. Another possible explanation could be a fault in the underlying basalt whose trace has been obliterated by younger flows. Thus, until more evidence is available, the reason for the steep gradient cannot be determined.

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FIGURE 3.-- Map showing contours on the water table in the Mud Lake region, Idaho.

#### EXPLANATION

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Contours on the water table Contour interval 10 feet Datum is mean sea level No contours shown between 4570 ani 4770 feet

Contours compiled from Barraclougn, Teasdale, Robertson, and Jensen (1967); Crosthwaite, Mundorff, and Walker (1970); Mundorff, Crosthwaite, and Kilburn (1964); Stevens (unpublished basic data) and data in files of U.S. Geological Surver

The so-called Mud Lake-Market Laks barrier occurs approximately between the 1540- and the 4780-foot contours

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Approximate position of transition zone from a sedimentary-basalt sequence to a basalt sequence

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FIGURE 4.-- Geologic sections in the Mud Lake region, Idaho.





FIGURE 6 .-- Generalized geologic map of the Mud Lake region, Idaho.
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