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Re: 2004 Report on Annual Geotechnical Inspection
Perimeter Tailings Dams, Lupin Mine, Nunavut

Dear Mike:

Please find attached our FINAL report on the annual geotechnical inspection of the perimeter tailings dams at Lupin Mine, which was carried out on September 8 and 9, 2004. A site inspection memo was left with your site staff outlining items requiring maintenance following the inspection visit.

Thank you to you and your staff for the hospitality shown during the site visit. If there are any questions regarding this report, please contact the undersigned at your convenience.

Yours truly,

BGC ENGINEERING INC.

per:

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1. INTRODUCTION

Lupin Mine, owned and operated by Kinross Gold Corporation, is located 285 km south-east of Kugluktuk and 400 km north-east of Yellowknife on Contwoyto Lake, as illustrated on Figure 1. Kinross's Nunavut Water Board's License (NWB1LUP0008) requires that the tailings containment area (TCA) be inspected annually by a qualified Geotechnical Engineer. As such, Mr. Mike Tansey, P.Eng., Reclamation Manager for Lupin Mine, requested that BGC Engineering Inc. (BGC) conduct an inspection of the tailings facility perimeter embankments. A proposal to conduct this inspection, dated June 27, 2004, was submitted and Requisition No. L 63506 was provided on July 19, 2004 as authorization to proceed.

This inspection and the preparation of a report are required in partial satisfaction of the Lupin Mine Water License obligations. Conditions in the Water License that apply to the annual inspection are as follows:

- a freeboard limit of 1.0 m should be maintained at all times;
- seepage from the TCA be minimised;
- any seepage that occurs should be collected and returned immediately;
- any erosion of the facilities should be addressed immediately; and
- the annual inspection report should be forwarded to the Water Board within 60 days of the inspection date.

Based on the visual inspection and a review of monitoring data the geotechnical performance of the structure is assessed. Any deficiencies and points of concern are brought to the attention of Kinross.

Previous design, as-built and annual inspection reports by Geocon Inc., Golder Associates Ltd. and BGC Engineering Inc. should be reviewed for information, observations and recommendations prior to 2004.

2. TAILINGS CONTAINMENT AREA OPERATION DESCRIPTION

As illustrated on Figure 2, tailings storage at Lupin Mine utilises a number of low embankments which are arranged to provide five cells for solids accumulation, some supernatant water storage within these cells, supernatant runoff storage accumulation (Pond 1) and an adjacent area (Pond 2) for transport water conditioning and staged release. In that none of the tailings water is recycled to the mill, aged water is typically transferred from Pond 2 to the environment once every second year (usually beginning mid-July). Following this discharge, tailings water is transferred from Pond 1 to Pond 2 for subsequent ageing. During the transfer, water treatment chemicals are added, if required.

Geocon (1982) provides as-built information for Dams 1A, 1B, 1C, 2 and 4A (later a portion of the much larger Dam 4) that were all built up to elevation 485 m during the 1981 construction period. The dam embankments were constructed of silty sand till with a liner on the upstream side. The liner is keyed into the underlying permafrost.

Golder Associates (1992) provides dam design information for Dams 4, 5 and 6 and the End Lake Dam (which was never constructed). For these dams, a geosynthetic liner is installed within the upstream portion of the embankment and then anchored into the frozen foundation, except for Dam 4. On Dam 4, the liner extends 15 m upstream from the upstream toe. For each of these dams, the top of the liner was situated 0.5 m below the physical crest of the dams. Dam 4 has a Run-of-Mine toe drain to collect embankment seepage, should it occur.

Operations at the Lupin mine were suspended in August 2003 and re-started in March 2004. During the period of shutdown, fresh water was continuously pumped through the tails line to keep the line from freezing. This water was collected in Cell 5. Following start-up, tailings were pumped into Cell 5, and the N Dam portion of Cell 5 to the northwest. A large portion of Cell 3 is in the process of being covered with esker gravel for closure, but tailings deposition to that cell resumed in September. In a typical year, compliant water within Pond 2 is discharged to the environment via the siphons over Dam 1A. When storage capacity is created in Pond 2, Pond 1 water is transferred in using the siphons over J-Dam. By the time of the annual inspection trip, 773,968 cubic metres of water had been transferred from Pond 1 to Pond 2. Water transfer took place between July 2 and 22, 2004. Table 1 summarises the water level elevations within the TCA:

Table 1 Summary of Summer Water Levels within TCA (Data Supplied by Kinross Gold Corp.)

Location	June 26, 2004 Water Elevation (m)	July 26, 2004 Water Elevation (m)	Sept. 25, 2004 Water Elevation (m)
Pond 1	486.56	482.72	482.70
Pond 2	483.34	484.22	484.38
Cell 4	488.84	487.87	485.76
Cell 5	489.82	488.27	empty

Water levels in the Ponds are within historical limits and 2 m (or more) of freeboard is being maintained on Dams 1A and 2.

3. CLIMATIC CONDITIONS

Figures 3 and 4 provide a graphical representation of the 2003 and 2004 (to-date) monthly temperature and precipitation values versus the long-term mean values (which have been recorded since 1982). Figure 3 indicates that the 2003 temperature values were slightly warmer (MAAT of -9.9°C versus -11.0°C long term) than typical for the year, while values for 2004 (to June) were typical to slightly cooler than typical. Figure 4 illustrates that precipitation in 2003 was near normal however, July 2004 was significantly drier than normal while August was significantly wetter.

4. INSPECTION CONDITIONS AND APPROACH

4.1 General

Mr. Jim Cassie, P. Eng., conducted the inspection on September 8 and 9, 2004. The temperature during the inspection was approximately 5°C under sunny to cloudy conditions. Some small patches of snow remained on the ground from a previous snowstorm and some light rain fell on the 9th. In the week preceding the inspection, approximately 23 mm of rain had fallen.

At the time of the inspection, tailings were being deposited into Cell 5. In addition, water from behind N-Dam was also being pumped back into Cell 5 and that water was being pumped into Pond 1. Neither of the sets of decant siphon pipes at J-dam (Pond 1 water into Pond 2) and Dam 1A (Pond 2 water discharge to the environment) were in use during the inspection. Reclamation activities were on-going in the TCA and a significant amount of the tailings in Cell 3 had been covered with sand and gravel.

Each of the embankments was inspected on foot. A camera and Dictaphone were used to record pertinent observations concerning both the physical conditions and seepage. In general, the crest and upstream slope of a given embankment were inspected first, followed by inspection of the downstream slope by walking along the toe of the slope. The transcribed Dictaphone notes and photographs constitute the field record (the Field Memo which remains in the office of BGC) and provides the basis for this formal report. Before leaving the site, a summary memo regarding tailings area maintenance items was prepared and reviewed with Mr. Mike Tansey from Lupin Mine; this memo is attached in Appendix 1.

4.2 Instrumentation

Seacor Environmental Engineering Inc. installed four thermistor strings in Dam #4 in October 1995, along with several other cables in the reclaimed tailings area. In addition, BGC (2000) outlines the installation details of an additional four thermistor cables in Dams 1A and 2. Some thermistors were installed in Dam 6 in May 2003 as reported in BGC (2003). Lupin Mine staff also installed some thermistors in Dams 1A and 2 in May 2003. Most of these recently installed thermistors were destroyed by a bear shortly after installation. Long term plots of the instrumentation data still being monitored by site staff are provided in Appendix 2. An interpretation of this data is provided on the individual dam sheets.

5. FINDINGS AND CONCLUSIONS

The inspection results for each of the structures are presented on the following pages in standardised format, complemented by a selection of site photographs. Refer to Figure 2 for the location of each structure. Specific maintenance requirements are documented on each of the individual sheets and again, in the summary memo provided in Appendix 1.

In general, the inspection confirms that the perimeter embankments are in good condition. Some erosional gullies resulted from the significant precipitation in August 2004 and these should be repaired. In addition, placement of the tailings cover layer in Cell 3 has changed the geometry of Dam 6 in terms of freeboard for retaining runoff from that area.

Clause D.6.f of the Water Licence notes that weekly inspections of tailings dams (and associated infrastructure) are to be undertaken by site staff and records kept on these inspections. As the water levels rise behind the various dams, inspections must be undertaken to assess potential seepage and dam performance.

Continued vigilance with regards to thermistor monitoring should be undertaken, especially when summer pond levels are high. Hence, all thermistors within tailings dams should be read according to the following frequency:

- November to April monthly.
- May to June weekly.
- July to October bi-weekly.

The objective of collecting this data is to provide proactive assessment of potentially deteriorating performance of the dams. Instrumentation data from the various dams should be forwarded to BGC immediately after collection for review and interpretation.

In addition to thermistor readings, all pond levels should be recorded at least monthly and perhaps bi-weekly as water transfer events occur. Staff gauges or pore pressure transducers should be considered to record water levels.

DAM 1A

LOCATION: West side of Pond 2.

FUNCTION: Major perimeter closure for water retention; carries siphon pipes for

water decant system.

LENGTH: 250 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 8 m +/- above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 486.27 m

CREST WIDTH

AND CONDITION: 7 to 8 m; surfaced with esker material, but not travelled because of

the siphons. No significant cracking evident; condition is good.

RIPRAP: Run of Mine rockfill; broadly graded; good condition. Minor

disturbed area (due to construction traffic possibly) in rip rap at the

crest edge.

BACKSLOPE: Approx. 1.5H:1V; variably armoured with cobbles and boulders; no

evidence of cracking.

TOE BERM: Minor longitudinal cracking (noted previously) at oversteepened toe,

adjacent to decant pipe valve stems. One small sinkhole located

directly above central discharge pipe.

SEEPAGE: No evidence of seepage.

INSTRUMENTATION: Thermistor D1A-00-1 is located in the crest, just south of the mid-

point of the dam. All nodes below 5 m depth are subzero. Nodes below depth of 9 m (situated approximately below the embankment fill) are equal to or colder than -4° C with no signs of significant

warming.

Thermistor D1A-00-02 is located in the crest towards the north end of the dam. All nodes below 5 m depth are subzero with no indications of warming at depth. Nodes below a depth of 10.3 m

appear to be colder than -3.8°C.

DAM 1A CONTINUED

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: Backfill small sinkhole in the toe berm fill adjacent to the center

discharge pipe. Monitor minor cracking at toe of downstream berm

and repair as required.

CONCLUSIONS: The dam is in good condition with no evidence of seepage passing

through or beneath the dam. Monitor instrumentation regularly and

visually inspect downstream toe as Pond 2 level increases.

DAM 1B

LOCATION: West side of Pond 2.

FUNCTION: Minor perimeter closure for water retention; pond level is below dam

base elevation thus currently functioning only as a road

embankment.

LENGTH: 200 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 2.5 +/- m above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 485.83 m

CREST WIDTH

AND CONDITION: 5 to 6 m wide; surfaced with esker material so that this dam may

also function as a roadway for access around the perimeter of the

area. Crest condition is good.

RIPRAP: Run of Mine rockfill; variable sizes; undulating; disturbed in areas

but in good condition overall.

BACKSLOPE: Approx. 1.5H:1V with minor runoff erosion rills and a toe-of-slope

roadway berm. No cracking observed.

SEEPAGE: No seepage observed. No water head being retained by the

structure.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: None currently required.

CONCLUSIONS: The structure is in good condition; it should be monitored for

seepage if Pond 2 rises sufficiently to place a water head against

the dam.

DAM_{1C}

LOCATION: West side of Pond 2.

FUNCTION: Minor perimeter closure for water retention: currently retaining no

water other than small puddles. Currently functioning only as a road

embankment.

LENGTH: 230 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 2.0 +/- m above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 485.88 m

CREST WIDTH

AND CONDITION: 9 +/- m wide; surfaced with esker material, so that this dam may

also function as a roadway, although the downstream toe roadway

appears more commonly used. Crest condition is good.

RIPRAP: Run of Mine rockfill; some minor disturbances noted; overall

condition satisfactory.

BACKSLOPE: Approx. 3H:1V, smooth slope. One small sinkhole noted

approximately 15 m south of the north abutment. Access road berm

appears in good condition.

SEEPAGE: No seepage observed. No water currently being retained by the

structure.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: Backfill small sinkhole located on the downstream face.

CONCLUSIONS: The structure is in good condition; it should be monitored for

seepage if Pond 2 rises sufficiently to place a water head against

the dam.

LOCATION: North end of Pond 2.

FUNCTION: Major perimeter closure for water retention; natural pond

downstream of the dam.

LENGTH: 350 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 5.5 +/- m above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 486.30 m

CREST WIDTH

AND CONDITION: Approx. 6 m; surfaced with esker material and used as the primary

traffic route. Crest condition is good; no cracking is evident.

RIPRAP: Run of Mine rock forms convex-upward, gently sloped upstream

face; erosional scarp formed at higher water level about 2.5 m

below the crest; good condition.

BACKSLOPE: Approx. 1.5H:1V with one significant erosion gulley near the north

abutment.

SEEPAGE: Seepage (likely resulting from active layer drainage rather than

seepage through the dam) observed discharging at the toe of the

northeast abutment where it is typically observed.

INSTRUMENTATION: Thermistor D2-00-02 is located at the north end of the crest.

Temperatures at depth are subzero. Below 5 m depth (approximate

bottom of embankment fill), temperatures are colder than -2°C.

Thermistor D2-00-03 is situated near the mid-point of the dam.

Temperatures below 5 m depth are all subzero. Temperatures

below 15 m depth are colder than -3.5°C.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: None required.

CONCLUSIONS: The dam is in satisfactory condition. Continue with vigilant

monitoring of instrumentation and visual condition assessment.

LOCATION: East end of now-covered tailings storage area, east of Cells 1 and

2.

FUNCTION: Minor perimeter closure for tailings retention; Boomerang Lake

downstream of the dam. The dam retains tailings covered with an esker material cap, thickened in 1995 by one metre using esker

material.

LENGTH: 600 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 2.5 +/- m above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 488.4 m

CREST WIDTH

AND CONDITION: Approx. 8 m; surfaced with esker material. Crest condition is good

and no cracking is evident. Discharge swale on the east arm appears in satisfactory condition. Portions of remnant gullies are

located on the east arm of the dam.

RIPRAP: Inside slope buried with tailings cover sand and gravel.

BACKSLOPE: Variable in inclination; locally meets the shoreline of Boomerang

Lake. No new cracking noted along the northwest arm.

SEEPAGE: None observed near the toe of the east arm of the dam.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: None required.

CONCLUSIONS: The dam is in satisfactory condition.

LOCATION: South end of Cell 4 for K Dam sub-pond.

FUNCTION: Perimeter closure for water retention at present; natural pond

downstream of the dam at its west end.

LENGTH: 900 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 6 +/- m above u/s native ground elevation.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 489.59 m

CREST WIDTH AND

CONDITION: Approximately 12 m wide crest width in generally good condition.

Recent truck access and crest grading have created windrows

along road edges which interrupt surface drainage.

RIPRAP: Run of Mine rockfill in generally good condition on upstream slope.

Some construction machinery/dozer activity on the upstream side

has disturbed the overall slope of the riprap.

BACKSLOPE: Esker sand; slope steeper in upper portion and flattens in the lower

portion, approximately 2H:1V. Several erosional gullies noted on the crest edges. Geogrid exposed in places. Some minor cracks parallel the contours in the lower portion of the slope (seen

previously and not of concern), adjacent to the steep toe.

SEEPAGE: No apparent seepage but the head of water across the dam is

relatively low. Temporary cofferdams, which were on the downstream side of dam, have been graded along the toe; the west end cofferdam remains. After pumping of the toe berm pond was undertaken, seepage into pond was coming from downstream lake side, not from the upstream side of the dam. This circumstance has

been previously observed.

INSTRUMENTATION: Four thermistors are currently monitored in Dam 4. From east to

west across the crest, the four cables are numbered TD4-1 to -4.

Thermistor TD4-1 has only subzero temperatures below 4 m depth. Below a depth of 6 m (approximately embankment fill thickness), the subsurface temperatures have all been colder than -2.5° C with

no signs of significant warming.

DAM 4 CONTINUED

INSTRUMENTATION: Thermistor TD4-2 was destroyed in summer 2003.

Thermistor TD4-3 displayed only subzero temperatures below 4 m depth. Below a depth of 6 m (approximately embankment fill thickness), the temperatures have all been colder than -2.0° C with no signs of significant warming.

Thermistor TD4-4 displayed only subzero temperatures below 4 m depth. Below a depth of 6 m (approximately embankment fill thickness), the subsurface temperatures have all been colder than -2.7°C with no signs of significant warming.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: Grade windrows on the crest to allow for proper crest drainage.

Backfill new erosional gullies at the west and east ends of the dam

backslope.

CONCLUSIONS: The dam is in good condition and is functioning without apparent

seepage.

LOCATION: Southeast corner of Cell 3, just northwest of Dam 4.

FUNCTION: Minor perimeter closure intended for future tails and water retention;

currently functioning as a road embankment.

LENGTH: 250 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 1.5 +/- m above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 491.54 m

CREST WIDTH AND

CONDITION: Approximately 8 m wide and esker surfaced so that the dam may

also function as roadway. Crest is in generally good condition but

windrows have been formed at road edges due to grading.

RIPRAP: Angular rockfill, maximum particle size from 20 to 30 cm, has been

placed on the upstream face. Approximate slope of 3H:1V and in

good condition.

BACKSLOPE: About 1.5 to 2H:1V with till and esker sand. Occasional minor

erosional gullies have formed.

SEEPAGE: No seepage observed. No water head being retained by the

structure.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: Grade crest windrows to allow good surface drainage and backfill

minor gullies on the backslope.

CONCLUSIONS: The dam is in good condition and should be inspected for seepage

when pond levels place a water head against it.

LOCATION: West side of Cell 3 retaining tailings placed behind K-dam.

FUNCTION: Minor perimeter closure. Retaining some tailings beach and ponded

water on the northern portion of the dam.

LENGTH: 300 +/- m

MAX HEIGHT: 2.5 +/- m above d/s tundra.

AS-BUILT ELEVATION: 490.25 m previously but some minor fill placement may have

occurred.

CREST WIDTH AND

CONDITION: Approximately 10 m wide and esker surfaced so that dam also

function as a roadway (occasional tire rut near the downstream toe). Crest in good condition; appears that some new fill has been placed on the crest as an extension of the tailings covering program

in Cell 3.

RIPRAP: Upstream side has been covered now that tailings cover layer of

sand has been placed.

BACKSLOPE: About 2H:1V with till and esker sand; minor cracking observed.

Numerous erosional gullies observed.

SEEPAGE: No seepage observed.

INSTRUMENTATION: Three thermistors, BGC03-01, -02 and 03 were installed in May

2003 as part of the site investigation program. The first two thermistors on crest were destroyed in June 2003. Thermistor BGC03-03 is located on the upstream side of the dam, within the tailings, approximately 225 m south of the north abutment. The data shows frozen conditions (-2.7° to -4.6°C) below 7 m depth.

MAINTENANCE

RECOMMENDATIONS: Cover placement on the upstream side has reduced the freeboard

amount on the reclaimed dam. Important to ensure that surface runoff in the spring does not overtop the dam and lead to erosion of

the dam.

CONCLUSIONS: The dam is in good condition but its performance should be

monitored during spring freshet and significant rainfall events.

6. CLOSURE

We trust the enclosed meets your present requirements and we thank Kinross Gold Corporation, Echo Bay Division, for the opportunity to be of service at Lupin Mine. If you have any questions or require additional information, please contact the undersigned.

Respectfully submitted,

BGC ENGINEERING INC.

per: Reviewed by:

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FIGURES

APPENDIX 1 - SITE INSPECTION MEMO



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PROJECT MEMORANDUM

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From: Mr. Jim Cassie, P.Eng. Date: Sept. 9, 2004

Subject: 2004 Annual Inspection of Perimeter Tailings Dams

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The following memo provides some comments on the current conditions and recommended maintenance items following the inspection of the tailings dams and waste containment dikes on September 8 and 9, 2004.

Dam 1A

- Minor cracking continues to occur adjacent to the siphon pipes at the downstream access road berm.
- One small sinkhole is located in the access road fill, directly adjacent to the center syphon pipe. This sinkhole should be backfilled.
- No other maintenance is suggested.

Dam 1B

No maintenance suggested.

Dam 1C

 Grade over one small sinkhole on the downstream face, approximately 15 m south of the north abutment.

Dam 2

- Minor seep at toe of north abutment continues to flow.
- No maintenance is required.

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Dam 3

No maintenance is required.

Dam 4

 Recent grading of the crest have formed numerous windrows of sandy material on the edges of the crest. When fill haulage is completed, these windrows need to be graded away to allow for proper drainage from the crest of this dam.

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 Numerous erosional gullies on the downstream face, some at the east end (narrow but incised fairly deeply) and some at the west end (that progress down towards the toe), should be backfilled.

Dam 5

 Recent grading of the crest have formed numerous windrows of sandy material on the edges of the crest. When fill haulage is completed, these windrows need to be graded to allow for proper drainage from the crest of this dam. Backfill the erosional gullies on the downstream slope formed from the current drainage.

Dam 6

 Cover placement on the upstream side of Dam 6 has reduced the amount of freeboard available to retain water that may result during spring freshet or large precipitation events.
 Please ensure that any surficial drainage from the higher cover area does not drain across the crest leading to possible dam erosion.

All of the noted work is relatively minor but should be undertaken in the near future before snowfall occurs to prevent potential further damage from occurring next spring.

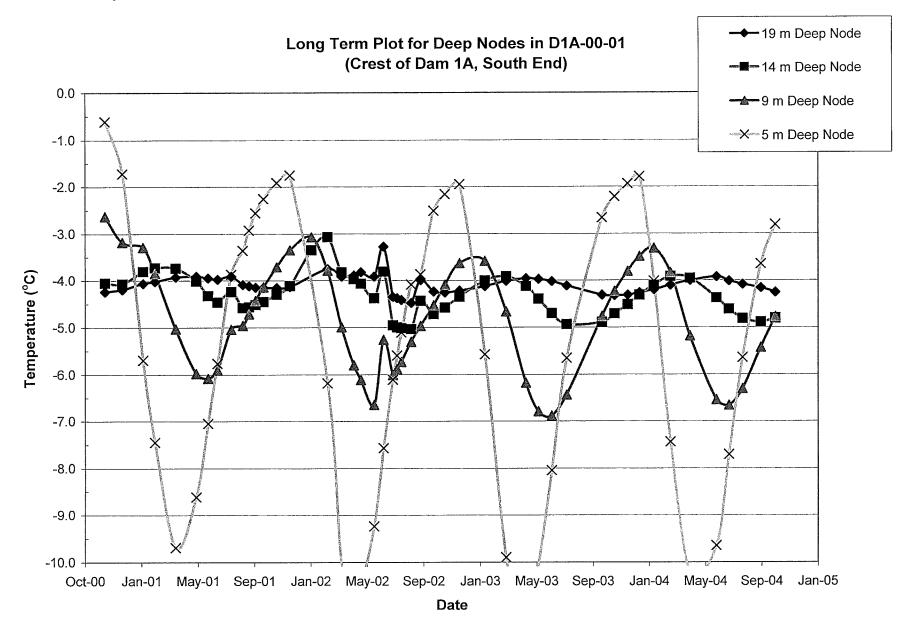
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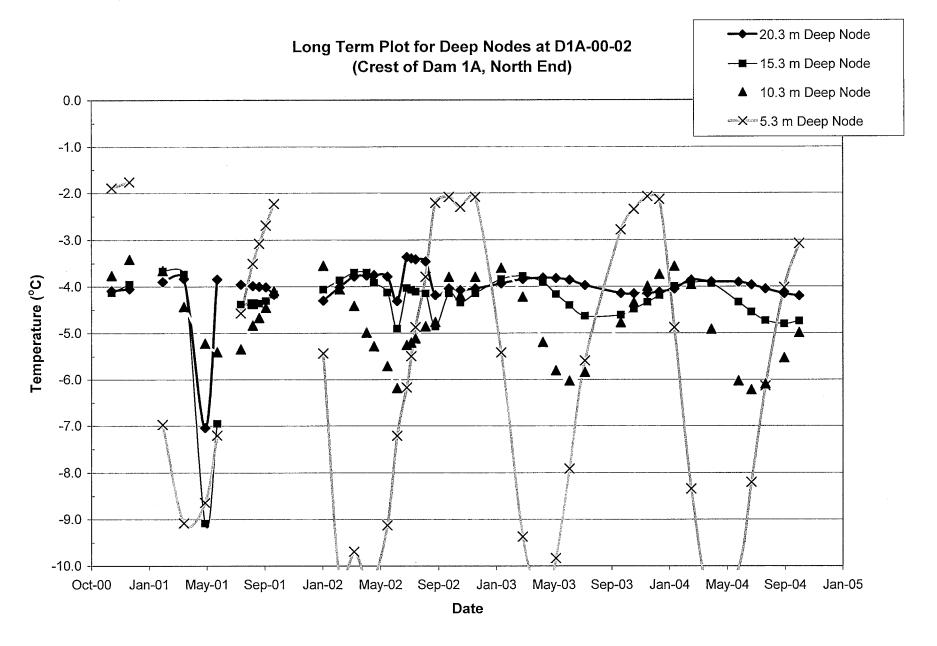
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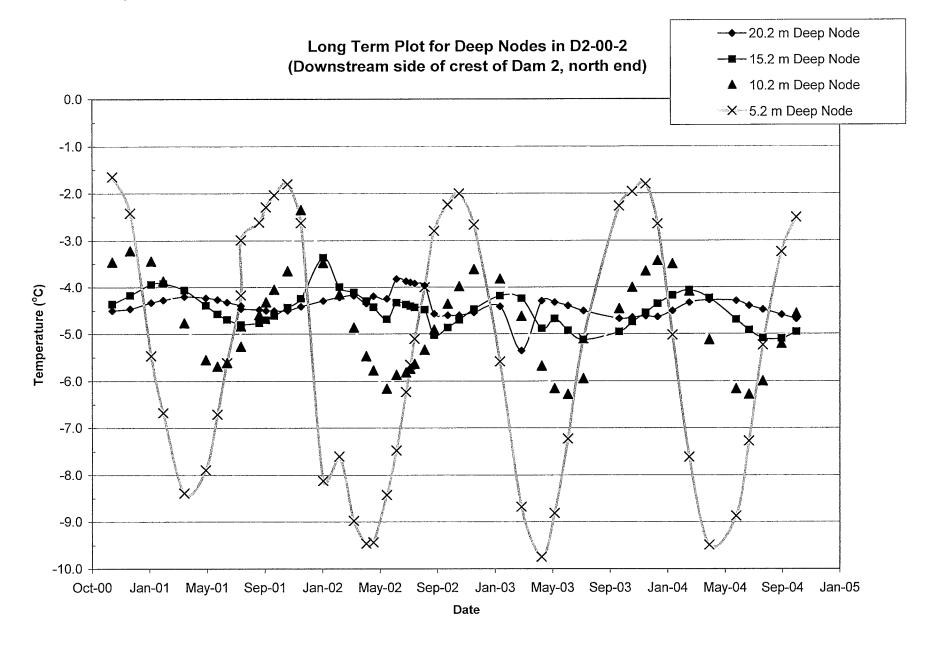
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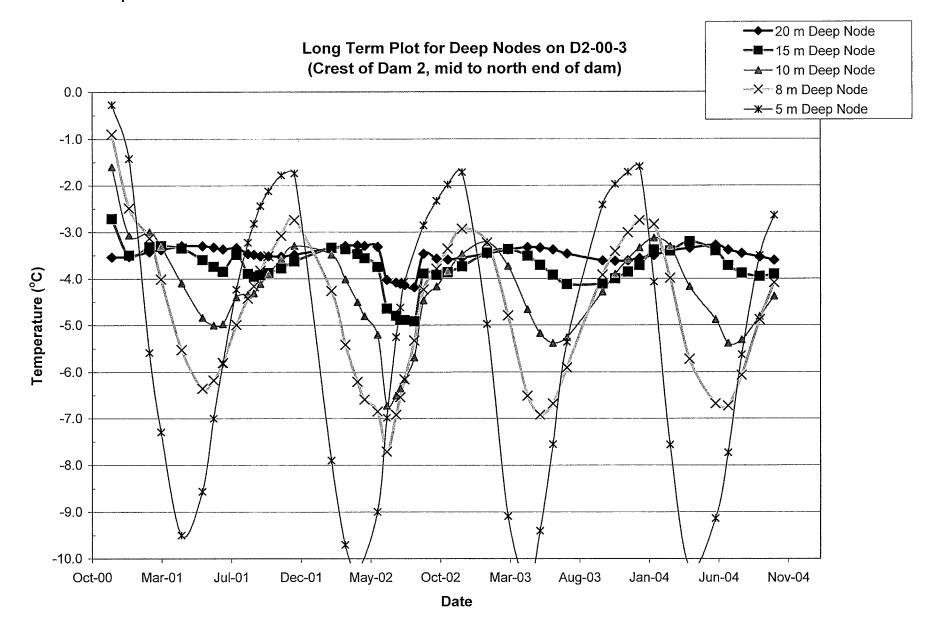
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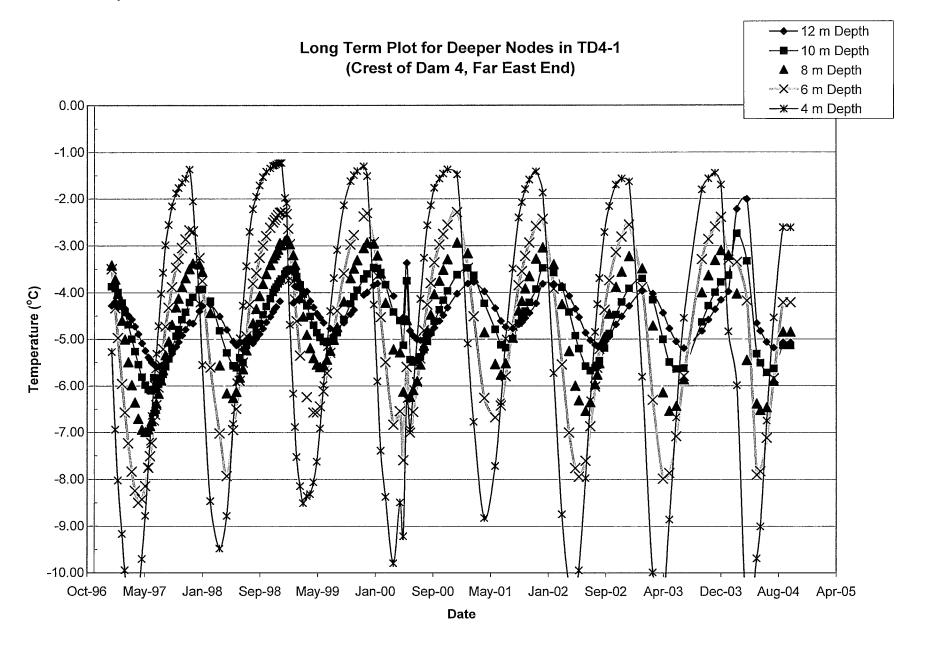
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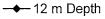








Long Term Plot for TD4-2 (Crest of Dam 4, East End, West of TD4-1)



-**■**- 10 m Depth

-▲-8 m Depth

→ 4 m Depth

