

Floodwater Storage Design Information Sheet

Imperial Units

This worksheet is a supplement to Publication 832: Agricultural Erosion Control Structures: A Design and Construction Manual.

Use this form to calculate the quantity of water exiting from a pond. It will indicate the effectiveness of a particular size of pond in reducing the peak flow associated with an upstream watershed. Follow all the instructions on this form and on all the associated figures.

Section 1: Floodwater Storage Design Information

No.	Description	Input Value
1	Watershed area	_____ ac
2	Average grade of watershed	_____ %
3	Runoff curve number from Tables 2.2 – 2.4	_____
4	Peak flow from watershed for a 25-year storm from Table 2.5-I to 2.11-I	_____ ft ³ /s
5	Obtain one-day rainfall for the watershed location from Table E.1	_____ in
6	Obtain the depth of runoff (Vr) from Table E.2-I	_____ in
7	Calculate the ponding volume available	_____ ft ³
8	Calculate the equivalent depth of storage (Vs) over the entire watershed	Vs = (pond volume _____ x 12) ÷ (_____ acres x 43,560) = _____ in
9	Refer to Figure E.3 to decide which chart to use Table E.3 (A) or Table E.4-I (B)	Choose one (A or B) and proceed to appropriate section below:

A. Table E.3

If Table E.3 is used, divide Vs by Vr (i.e. divide answer in Line (8) above by the answer in Line (6) above):

Vs _____ ÷ Vr _____ = _____

Using Table E.3, read the first decimal place of Vs/Vr on the left side and the second decimal place across the top. Obtain the answer where the two lines intersect:

Answer: _____

Multiply this answer by the peak flow in Line (4) above to obtain the peak pond outflow:

Answer: _____ x _____ = _____ ft³/s

B. Table E.4-I
<p>If Table E.4-I is used, read Vs along the top of the chart and Vr along the left side to obtain discharge:</p> <p>Answer: _____ ft³/s/ac</p> <p>Multiply this answer by Line (1), the number of acres in the watershed, to obtain the peak pond outflow:</p> <p>Answer: _____ x _____ = _____ ft³/s</p>

Tables and figures referenced in this document are found in [Publication 832: Agricultural Erosion Control Structures: A Design and Construction Manual](#)