

# BSDMS Summary Report

## 24 Big Pipe Creek at S.R. 194 at Bruceville, MD

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### Site Location:

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**Site ID:** 24

**Site Name:** Big Pipe Creek at S.R. 194 at Bruceville, MD

**County:** Carroll

**Nearest City:** Bruceville

**State:** MD

**Latitude:** 393645

**Longitude:** 771410

**USGS Station ID:** 1639500

**Route Number:** 194

**Route Class:** State

**Service Level:** Mainline

**Route Direction:** NA

**Highway Mile Point:**

**Stream Name:** Big Pipe Creek

**River Mile:**

**Contact:**  
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Hayes, Donald C., 1993, Site Selection and Collection of Bridge-Scour Data in Delaware, Maryland, and Virginia: U.S. Geological Survey Water-Resources Investigations Report 93-4017, 23 p.

### Site Description:

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The site is located at Bruceville, Maryland at the State Highway 194 bridge crossing Big Pipe Creek. This is 3.5 miles upstream of the confluence with Little Big Pipe Creek at Detour, Maryland. The bridge is 200 ft long and has three 4-ft-wide, 32-ft-long piers spaced 51 ft apart. Each pier is a continuous web constructed on poured footers, which probably extend down to bedrock. The bridge has a constant slope from the left bank (366.70 ft) to the right bank (357.86 ft). The bridge has flow-through abutments and should not be overtopped during high flow. (Flow would possibly go over the roadway on the right bank.)

### Elevation Reference

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**Datum:** MSL

**MSL (ft):**

#### Description of Reference Elevation:

All elevations are given in MSL. The gage datum is 336.88 ft. BM-1 (1976): Bronze tablet stamped "V 81 RESET 1976" located on highway bridge, 4.8 miles south along State Highway 194 from first junction with State Highway 97 in the center of Taneytown, Md. The tablet is located

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in sidewalk on the southeast abutment of bridge number 6035. It is 23 ft northwest of telephone pole number 55, 15.8 ft east of the center of State Highway 194, 5 ft north of the south edge of the sidewalk, and 2.4 ft east of the wheel guard. The elevation is 367.401 ft NVGD.

RM-1 (1947): Standard USGS bronze tablet set in the top of the upper intake headwall at the gage 300 feet downstream of the bridge. The elevation is 3.326 ft gage datum. (The headwall is cracked.)

RM-7 (1989): Railroad spike located in telephone pole number 55, 20 ft shoreward from left upstream end of bridge. The elevation is 31.204 ft gage datum, 368.088 ft NVGD.

RP-2 (1989): Chiseled square on the upstream side of the walkway on the bridge, 80 ft streamward from BM V-81. The elevation is 25.982 ft gage datum, 362.866 ft NVGD.

### Stream Data

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<b>Drainage Area</b> (sq mi):	102	<b>Floodplain Width:</b>	Narrow
<b>Slope in</b> <b>Vicinity(ft/ft):</b>	0.00157	<b>Natural Levees:</b>	Little
<b>Flow Impact:</b>	Straight	<b>Apparent Incision:</b>	None
<b>Channel Evolution</b>	Unknown	<b>Channel Boundary:</b>	Semi-alluvial
<b>Armoring:</b>	Partial	<b>Banks Tree Cover:</b>	High
<b>Debris Frequency:</b>	Occasional	<b>Sinuosity:</b>	Straight
<b>Debris Effect:</b>	Local	<b>Braiding:</b>	None
<b>Stream Size:</b>	Medium	<b>Anabranching:</b>	None
<b>Flow Habit:</b>	Perennial	<b>Bars:</b>	Unknown
<b>Bed Material:</b>	Gravel	<b>Stream Width</b> <b>Variability:</b>	Equiwidth
<b>Valley Setting:</b>	Moderate		

### Roughness Data

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#### Manning's n Values

	Left Overbank	Channel	Right Overbank
<b>High:</b>			
<b>Typical</b>	0.1	0.045	0.1
<b>Low:</b>			

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### Bed Material

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Measurement Number	Yr	Mo	Dy	Sampler	D95 (mm)	D84 (mm)	D50 (mm)	D16 (mm)	SP	Shape	Cohesion
1	1992	10	22	grvl templ	160	76	22	13	2.65		Non-Cohesive
2	1992	10	22	scoop	25.5	16	5.4	1.32	2.65		Non-Cohesive

### Bed Material Comments

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Measurement No: 1

Measurement No: 2

### Bridge Data

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Structure No: 6035  
Length(ft): 200  
Width(ft): 26  
Number of Spans: 4  
Vertical Configuration: Unknown  
Low Chord Elev (ft): 354.24  
Upper Chord Elev (ft): 363.08  
Overtopping Elev (ft): 357.86  
Skew (degrees): 0  
Guide Banks: None  
Waterway Classification: Main  
Year Built: 1940  
Avg Daily Traffic:

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Plans on File: Yes

Parallel Bridges No

Upstream/Downstream: N/A

Continuous Abutment: No

Distance Between Centerlines:

Distance Between Pier Faces:

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### Abutment Data

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Left Station: 0

Right Station: 200

Left Skew (deg): 0

Right Skew (deg) 0

Left Abutment Length (ft): 100

Right Abutment Length (ft) 100

Left Abutment to Channel Bank (ft): 60

Right Abutment to Channel Bank (ft): 70

Left Abutment Protection:

Right Abutment Protection

Contracted Opening Type: III

Embankment Skew (deg): 0

Embankment Slope (ft/ft): 2

Abutment Slope (ft/ft) 2

Wingwalls: No

Wingwall Angle (deg): 0

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### Pier Data

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Pier ID	Bridge		Highway Station	PierType	# Of Piles	Pile Spacing(ft)
	Station(ft)	Alignment				
1	152	0	859.75	Single	0	
2	102	0	910	Single	0	
3	51	0	960.25	Single	0	

Pier ID	Pier			Length(ft)	Protection	Foundation
	Width(ft)	Pier Shape	Shape Factor			
1	4	Round		32	Riprap	Poured
2	4	Round		32	None	Poured
3	4	Round		32	None	Poured

Pier ID	Top	Bottom	Foot or Pile	Cap Shape	File Tip
	Elevation(ft)	Elevation(ft)	Cap Width(ft)		Elevation(ft)
1	329.97	332.97	7	Square	
2	329.94	332.94	7	Square	
3	329.99	332.99	7	Square	

### Pier Description

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**Pier ID** 1

This is the right-most of the three piers, which are 4-ft-wide by 32-ft-long and spaced 51 ft apart. Each pier is a continuous web on poured footers, which probably extend to bedrock. This pier has some riprap protection.

**Pier ID** 2

This is the middle of the three piers, which are 4-ft-wide by 32-ft-long and spaced 51 ft apart. Each pier is a continuous web on poured footers, which probably extend to bedrock. There is no riprap protection at this pier. This pier tends to collect debris.

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Pier ID 3

This is the left-most of the three piers, which are 4-ft-wide by 32-ft-long and spaced 51 ft apart. Each pier is a continuous web on poured footers, which probably extend to bedrock. There is no riprap protection at this pier.

### Pier Scour Data

Pier ID	Date	Time	USOrDS
1	6/23/72	17:30	Upstream
1	9/25/75	19:00	Upstream
2	6/23/72	17:30	Upstream
2	9/25/75	19:00	Upstream
2	5/29/90	20:30	Upstream
2	10/23/90	15:30	Upstream
2	10/23/90	20:00	Upstream

Pier ID	Scour Depth	Accuracy (ft)	Side Slope (ft/ft)	TopWidth (ft)	Apprch Vel (ft/s)	Apprch Depth(ft)	Effective Pier Width	Skew to Flow(deg)
1	1.2	1	6	15	2.64	11.6	4	0
1	1.4	1	8.5	24	4.28	10.2	4	0
2	2.4	1	10.5	50	3.72	8	4	0
2	1.8	1	3.5	12	5.2	8	4	0
2	1	1	6	12	3.32	6.3	4	0
2	1.2	1	4	10	5.39	6.6	4	0
2	1.7	1	4.5	16	5.26	10.1	4	0

PierID	Sediment Transport	Bed Material	BedForm	Trough (ft)	Crest (ft)	Sigma	Debris Effects
1	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown
1	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown
2	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown
2	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown
2	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown
2	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown
2	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown			2.4	Unknown

PierID	D95 (mm)	D84 (mm)	D50 (mm)	D16 (mm)
1	160	76	22	13



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## ContractionScour

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## Stage and Discharge Data

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Peak Discharge					Flow	Peak Stage					Stage	Water	Return	
year	mo	dy	hr	mi	(cfs)	Qacc	year	mo	dy	hr	mi	(ft)	Temp (C)	Period(yr)

## Hydrograph

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Hydrograph								Discharge
Number	Year	Month	Day	Hr	Min	Sec	Stage(ft)	(cfs)

## Supporting Files

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