

Presentation For:

Warner's Pond Dam Rehabilitation

Concord, Massachusetts

PUBLIC MEETING

March 2, 2006







Project Team

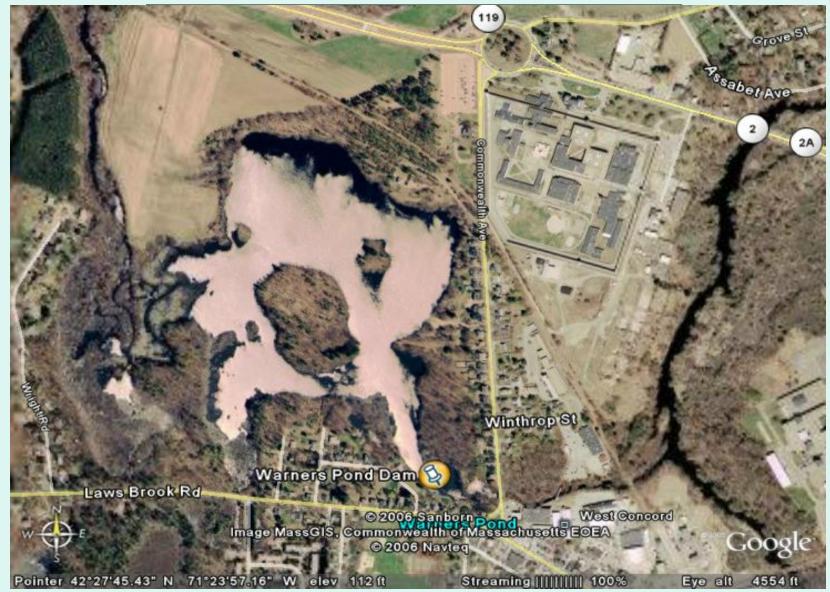
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Where's the Dam?



Project Goals

- Assess condition of dam.
- Improve Dam Safety in accordance with state regulations.
- Protect pond and associated resources
- Improve site access.
- Construct improvements in a timely manner.







Project Scope

- Existing conditions assessment
- Engineering design
- Permitting
- Preparation of contract documents and specifications (Bidding)
- Complete construction of improvements
- Preparation of operation and maintenance plan







Project Schedule

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Meeting Purpose

- To update public on what has been accomplished since the Dec. 6, 2005 meeting.
- Present conceptual design plans and drawings.
- To obtain feedback from public.







Since Dec. 6, 2005 Meeting

- Complete base field investigations
- Completed dam inspection report
 - Evaluated deficiencies
 - Recommendations for improvements
- Evaluated environmental impacts of proposed improvements
- Prepared conceptual design plans







November 2005 Dam Safety Inspection

- Current Dam Deficiencies / Issues
 - ➤Failure of right (east) spillway training wall.
 - Severely eroded earth embankment with signs of previous overtopping.
 - >Inoperable outlet controls.
 - ➤Lack of emergency site access.
 - Heavy tree and brush growth on earth embankments.







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Inoperable outlet controls











Site access











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Hydrology & Hydraulic Analysis

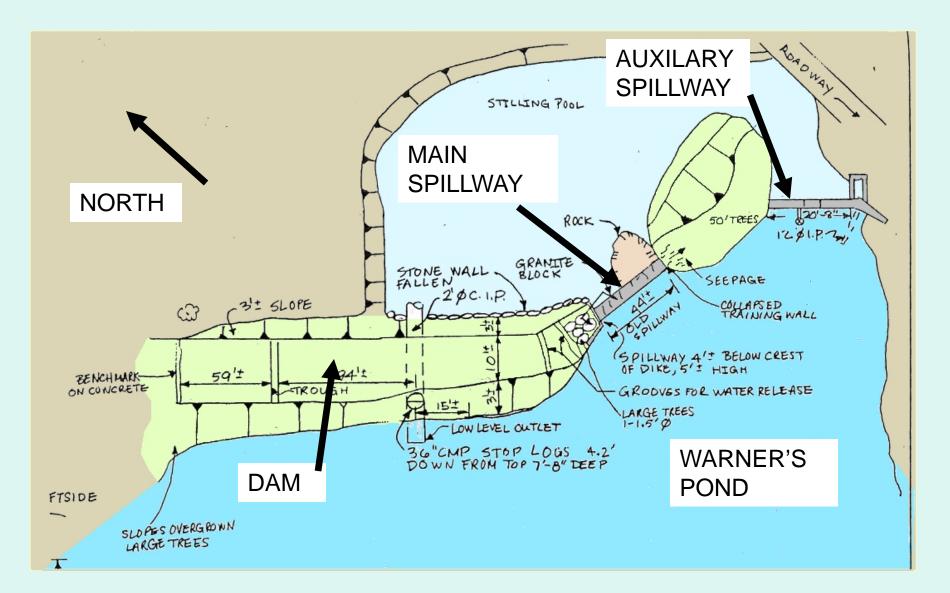
- Inadequate Spillway Capacity to Pass the 100 – Year Design Flood.
- Backwater from Assabet River submerges dam crest under 50- & 100-year floods.
- Additional spillway capacity may be needed to pass less intense, more frequent storms/floods.
- Low Point North of Dam

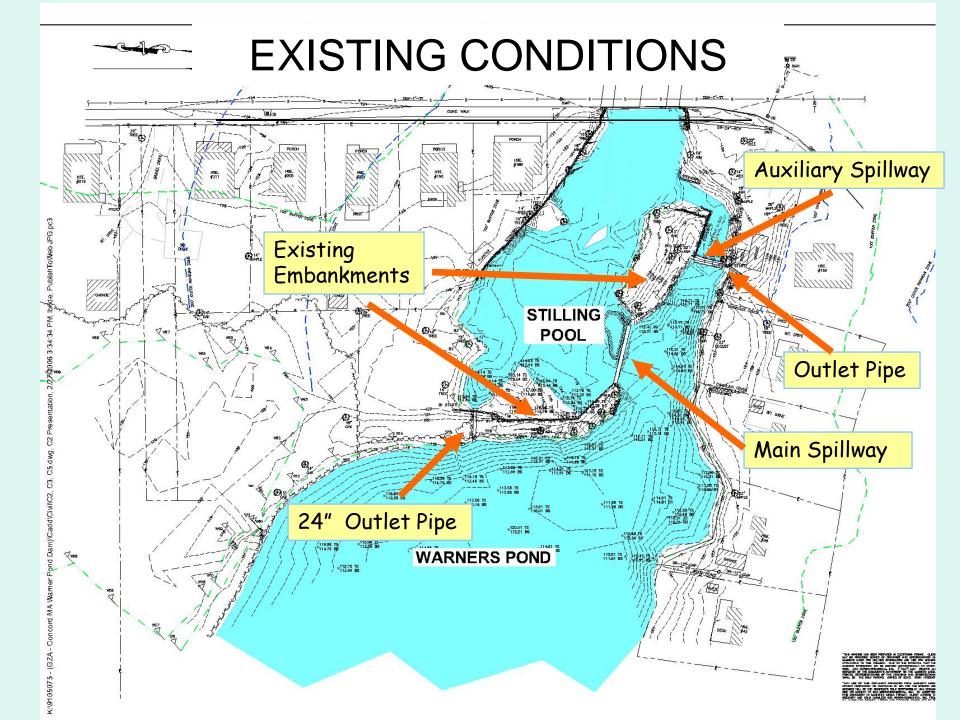






Existing Conditions

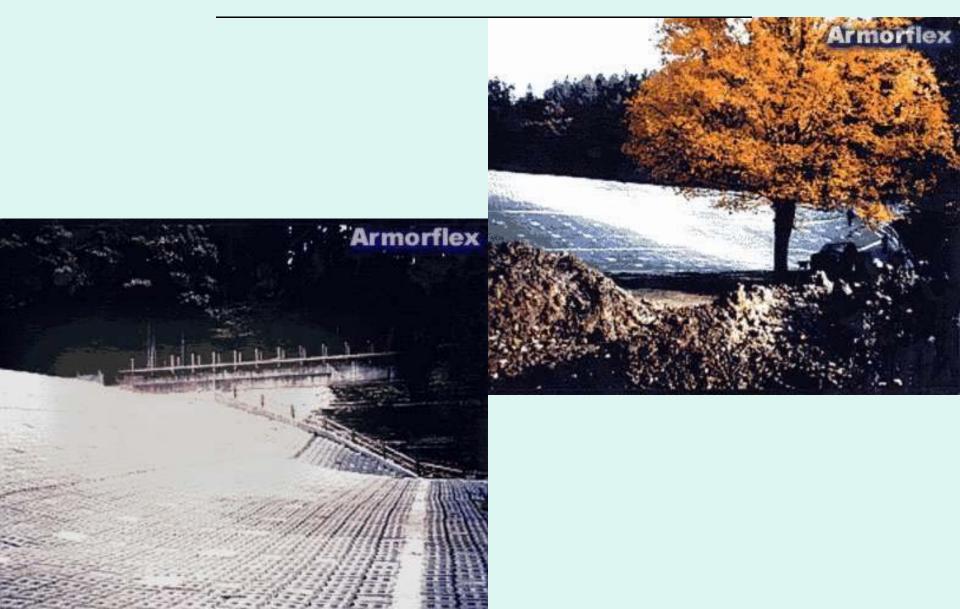




Ways to Increase Spillway Capacity

- Increase Spillway Length
 >High Cost and downstream impacts
- Raise Dam
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- Overtopping Protection
 - ≻Cost Effective
 - Articulated Concrete Blocks
 - ➢Rip Rap
 - ➤Turf Reinforcement Mats
 - ➤Low Point North of Dam

ARTICULATED CONCRETE BLOCKS







TURF REINFORCEMENT MATS



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OVERTOPPING PROTECTION

Turf Reinforcement Mats selected for:

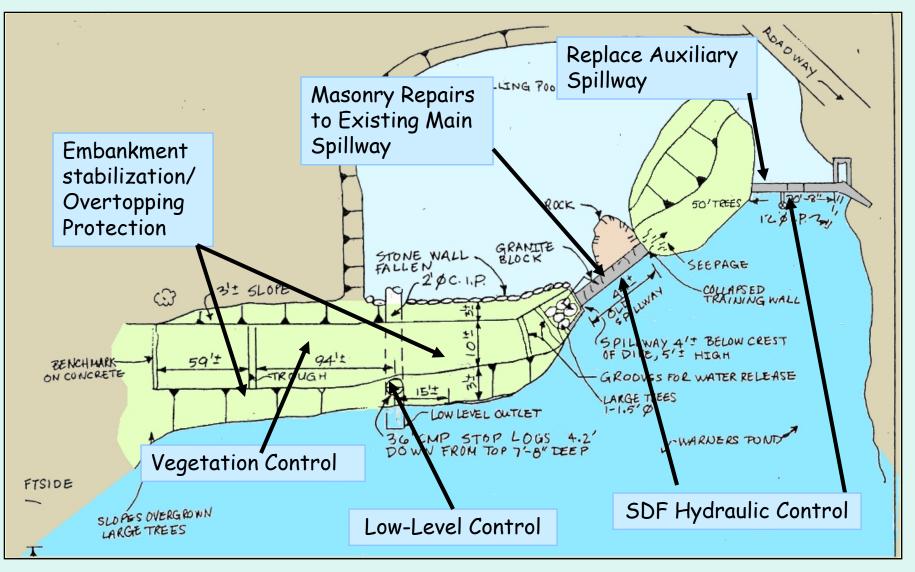
- Aesthetics
- Cost
- Relatively low flow rates and velocities





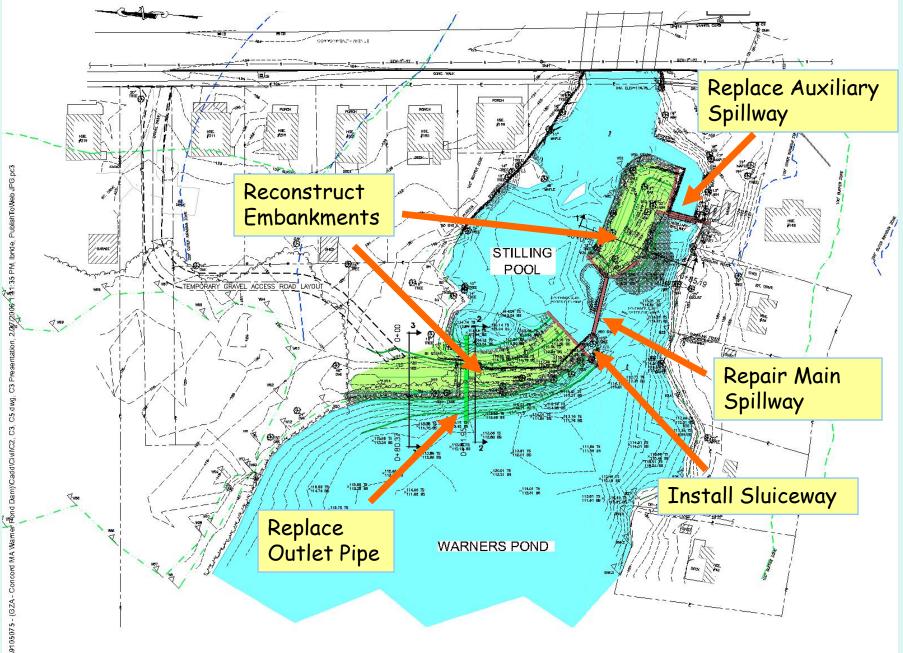


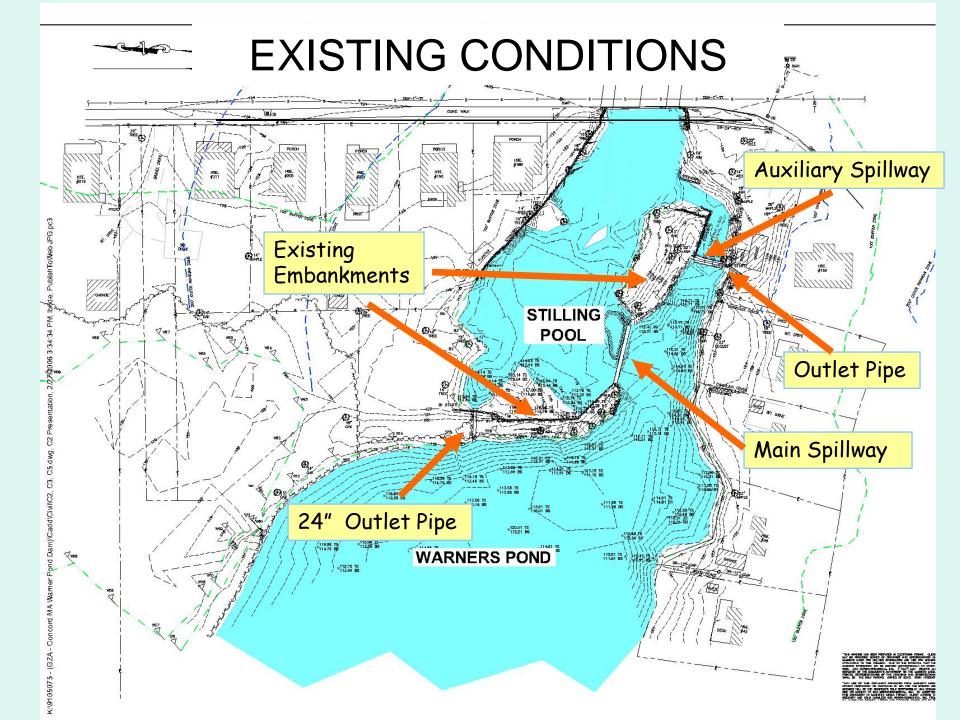
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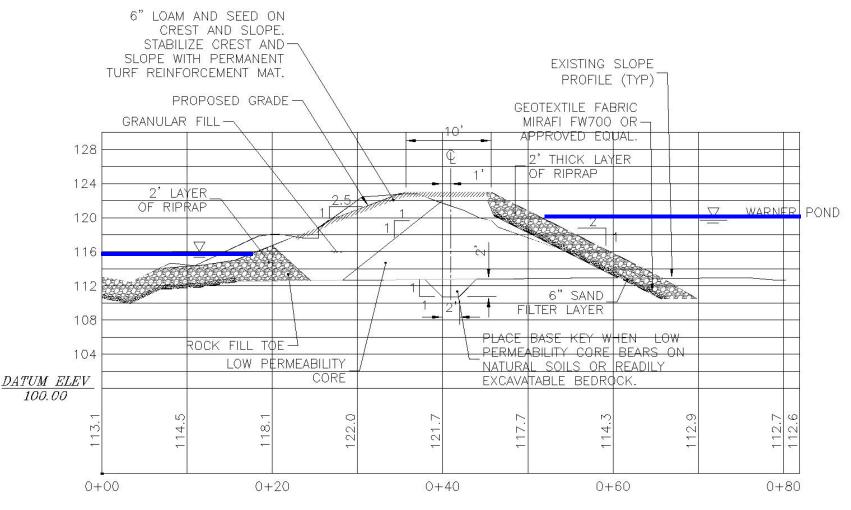
Sketch based on Haley & Aldrich's April 30, 1999 Dam Safety Inspection Report

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TYPICAL EMBANKMENT CROSS SECTION



SECTION 2 SCALE: 1"=10'

PROJECT BENEFITS

- Improve Dam Safety
- Preservation Of Pond Resources
- Functional Water Controls
 Allows for seasonal draw downs
 Allows for emergency draw down
- Improve Water Quality in Auxiliary
 Spillway Area
- Enhance view of Pond from Comm. Ave.

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS







FISH LADDER

- A review of available fisheries information was performed.
- A fish ladder at Warners Pond Dam would not likely be effective until other obstacles are removed or fitted with fish passage.
- If other obstacles are addressed, fish ladder may be retrofitted into auxiliary spillway at Warners Pond Dam.
- Additional study needed.







HYDROPOWER FEASIBILITY

Theoretical Available Energy Production and Associated Savings

		Median Annual Flow (cfs)	Median August Flow (cfs)
		48.83	11.21
Operating Head (ft) =	2.97		
	Power (KW)	10	2
	Time Available to Produce Power in a Year (hours)	4,380	7,476
	Energy Produced in a Year (KW-hr)	45,722	17,915
	Annual Avoided Energy Cost (\$)	4,572	1,792
	Estimated Cost to Design and Build (\$)	350,000	200,000
	Payback Period (years)	77	112

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OPEN DISCUSSION

