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Foreword

The Hydrologic Engineering Center's Flood Damage Reduction Analysis (HEC-FDA) program provides state-of-the-art analysis for formulating and evaluating flood damage reduction plans using risk-based analysis methods. HEC-FDA is one of HEC's "Next Generation" (NexGen) of hydrologic engineering and water resources planning software. The NexGen project encompasses: rainfall-runoff analysis (HEC-HMS), river hydraulics (HEC-RAS), reservoir system analysis (HEC-ResSim), flood damage analysis (HEC-FDA), and the Corps Water Management System (CWMS) for real-time river forecasting for reservoir operations. The NexGen software has a windows style user interface and operates on Windows XP and Windows 7.

The HEC-FDA program replaces HEC's previous PC version Flood Damage Analysis package containing programs SID, SIDEDT, FDA2PO and EAD (April 1994). The new HEC-FDA program contains enhanced versions of all their features plus risk-based analysis procedure for formulating and evaluating flood damage reduction measures.

CHAPTER 1

Introduction

The HEC-FDA program provides the capability to perform an integrated hydrologic engineering and economic analysis during the formulation and evaluation of flood damage reduction plans.

Welcome to the Hydrologic Engineering Center's Flood Damage Reduction Analysis (HEC-FDA) computer program. This program allows you to perform plan formulation and evaluation for flood damage reduction studies. It includes risk analysis methods that follow Federal and Corps of Engineers policy regulations (ER 1105-2-100 and ER 1105-2-101). These policy regulations and other guidance documents such as Engineering Manuals (EM) are listed in Appendix A.

Both economic flood damage and hydrologic engineering analyses are performed using a consistent study configuration: streams, damage reaches, plans, and analysis years. The three types of available evaluations are analysis of damage, project performance by analysis years, and equivalent annual damage. Many output tables and plots are used for reporting results. Computations and display of results are consistent with technical procedures described in EM 1110-2-1619.

This chapter discusses the purpose of FDA and gives a brief overview of the program requirements, capabilities, and content of this user's manual.

1.1　　Purpose

The FDA program provides the capability to perform an integrated hydrologic engineering and economic analysis during the formulation and evaluation of flood damage reduction plans. The program follows functional elements of a study involving coordinated study layout and configuration, hydrologic engineering analyses, economic analyses, and plan formulation and evaluation. You use it continuously throughout the planning process as the study evolves from the base year without-project condition analysis through the analysis of alternative plans over their project life. Hydrologic engineering and economics (flood inundation damage analyses) are performed separately, in a coordinated manner after specifying the study configuration and layout, and merged for the formulation and evaluation of the potential flood damage reduction plans.

1.2　　Program Capabilities

FDA is an integrated system of software that is designed for interactive use. The program consists of a graphical user interface (GUI), hydrologic engineering and economics components, database and management capabilities, graphics and reporting facilities.

1.2.1   Computation Procedures

The Corps of Engineers requires the use of risk analysis procedures for formulating and evaluating flood damage reduction measures (ER 1105-2-101). Uncertainty in discharge-exceedance probability, stage-discharge, and damage-stage functions are quantified and incorporated into economic and engineering performance analyses of alternatives. The process applies Monte Carlo simulation, a numerical-analysis procedure that computes the expected value of damage while explicitly accounting for the uncertainty in the basic parameters used to determine flood inundation damage. HEC has developed the FDA computer program to assist in analyzing flood damage reduction plans using these procedures. Refer to Appendices E and G for descriptions of the analysis process used by FDA. (EM 1110-2-1619 provides more detailed descriptions of the analysis procedures used by FDA.)

FDA performs all the computations that were available in the old FDA batch program plus risk analysis and other enhancements. Inventories of floodplain structures are used to calculate damage-stage-uncertainty information at damage reach index locations. Expected and/or equivalent annual damage are computed in the evaluation portion of the program.

1.2.2   Database

FDA uses a relational database to store data and output for reports, and the database is the central part of FDA. The xBase format was chosen for the program because it is: 1) an adopted industry standard 2) compatible with the file structure found in commercial software 3) functional in the multiple platform environments. The database operations require use of internal identifiers to relate the program's data sets.

1.2.3   User Interface

The interface is designed to make the program easy and efficient to use. The interface provides the following functions:

- File management
- Data entry and editing
- Data selection and assignment
- Hydrologic and economic analyses
- Tabular and graphical displays of input and output data
- Reporting facilities
- On-line help

1.2.4   Data Entry

You can enter data in a variety of ways using FDA. The most common is using text fields on the program's dialog boxes. This is also called the "form" method. Certain dialog boxes have an alternative data entry called "tables." The same data entered on the form can instead be entered into a spreadsheet-like table. Some dialog boxes have import capabilities. For example, water surface profiles may be imported from the HEC River Analysis System package (USACE 2010a) or Water Surface Profiles program (HEC-2, USACE 1991). The structure inventory can be imported from the Structure Inventory for Damage Analysis program (HEC-SID, USACE 1989) or from ASCII delimited text files.

1.2.5   Analysis Results

A number of analysis results are available for review of computations and evaluation of results. Project performance, damage by analysis years, and equivalent annual damage are included in the results. Output includes tables and selected graphics of information by plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach for the entire plan.   Plan comparisons may also be performed.

1.3   User's Manual Layout

This user's manual is the primary documentation on how to use the FDA program. The manual is organized as follows:

- Chapter 1 provides an introduction to FDA.
- Chapters 2 provides an overview and description of the general layout of the FDA program. It also provides an overview of the analysis steps in FDA and how to define a study.
- Chapter 3 describes the **Study Configuration** portion of FDA. This includes defining the streams, damage reaches, plans, and analysis years for a study in FDA.
- Chapters 4 through 7 describe the **Hydrologic Engineering (HydEng)** portion of FDA. Chapter 4 provides an overview of **HydEng** and describes defining water surface profiles for a study. Chapter 5 provides information on defining exceedance probability functions. Chapter 6 describes defining stage-discharge functions. Chapter 7 provides information on defining levees in FDA.
- Chapters 8 through 12 describe the **Economics** portion of FDA. Chapter 8 provides an overview of **Economics** and describes defining damage categories. Chapter 9 provides information on defining structure occupancy types. Chapter 10 describes defining structure modules. Chapter 11 provides information on the

structure inventory for a study. Chapter 12 provides information on stage-damage functions.

● Chapter 13 provides information on the computation process that is available from the FDA.

● Chapter 14 describes the available reports in FDA that are a result of the evaluation of plans by analysis year computations. Chapter 15 describes further details on the other available FDA reports.

● Chapter 16 provides troubleshooting information for FDA.

● Several appendices are included for assistance. Appendices A and B provide references and a glossary, respectively. Appendix C describes procedures for importing water surface profiles. Appendix D provides details on how to import data into an FDA study. Appendix E provides an overview of the economic flood damage procedures. Appendix F provides an overview of ASCII tab delimited files that are available from the economic flood damage procedures. Appendix G describes the Monte Carlo Simulation methodology used for computing expected and equivalent annual damage.

CHAPTER 2

Working with HEC-FDA: An Overview

HEC-FDA is an interdisciplinary program used to formulate and evaluate flood damage reduction plans. You interact with FDA through a graphical user interface (GUI). The program performs economic (flood inundation damage analysis) and hydrologic engineering performance computations for plan evaluations.

*A **study** is a set of data files associated with a planning evaluation.*

In FDA terminology, a **study** is a set of data files associated with a planning evaluation. The study includes all streams and damage reaches to be analyzed as part of the study area. You can perform any or all of the analyses available in the FDA program as part of the study. Only one study is open at a time. The files associated with the study contain information on plans, analysis years, streams, damage reaches, damage categories, structures, etc. The files are stored together in one subdirectory as xBASE formatted database files. The directory is named when a new study is created. By default, the data directory is a subdirectory of the FDA directory (on Windows 7 64 bit machines, *c:\Program Files (x86)\hec\hec-fda\1.4\Example Studies*). However, you will not be able to write to that subdirectory. To use the sample data, you should copy the data over to an accessible location such as *c:\data\hec-fda\1.4\Example Studies*.

During the course of a study, you may formulate and evaluate several different plans. The first plan is always the without-project condition. Additional plans may contain levees, reservoirs, channels, non-structural measures, and other measures or combinations thereof. You can easily formulate new plans once the basic data are entered. The results can be compared after the analyses of various plans are performed.

This chapter provides an overview of how a study is performed within FDA.

2.1   Starting HEC-FDA

When starting FDA, double-click the HEC-FDA icon on your desktop. **Because of problems with Windows 7, do not start HEC-FDA 1.4 from the Windows start menu**. **Always start it from a shortcut.** The main window of FDA will appear (see Figure 2.1, page 2-2). You are now ready to start using FDA.
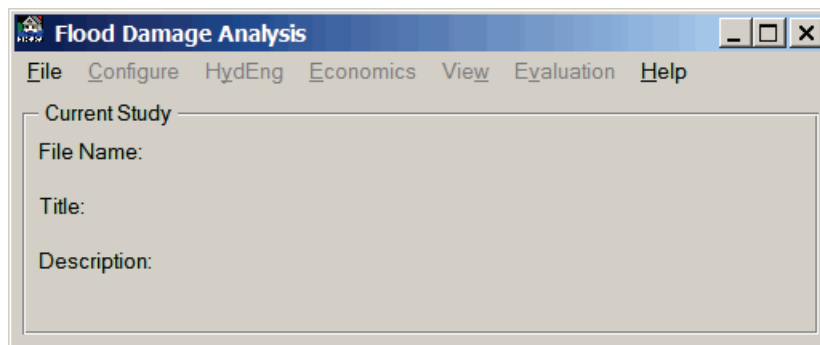
Figure 2.1 HEC-FDA Main Window

2.2   General Layout

The FDA main window is organized to allow you to enter data, review data, edit data, compute, and view results. The **Menu Bar** contains the following menus:

File	This menu is used for file management and contains the following commands: **New Study, Open Study, Delete Study, Study Info,** and **Exit**.
Configure	This menu is used to enter information about the study configuration and contains the following commands: **Study Streams, Study Damage Reaches, Study Analysis Years**, and, **Study Plan Definition**,
HydEng	This menu is where you enter data needed for hydrologic and hydraulic analyses. Available commands are: **Study Water Surface Profiles, Exceedance-Probability Function with Uncertainty, Stage-Discharge Functions with Uncertainty**, and, **Levee Features**.
Economics	This menu is used to enter the information needed for economic analyses. Available commands are: **Study Damage Categories, Study Structure Occupancy Types, Structure Modules, Structure Module Assignments, Structure Inventory Data, Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty, Compute Reach Stage-Damage, Import,** and **Export**.
View	This menu provides results of the input that you have entered. Available commands are: **List of Streams, List of Damage Reaches, List of Plans, List of Damage Categories, List of Structure Modules,** and, **List of Structures Occupancy Types.**

Evaluation   You compute and evaluate economic and engineering performance under this menu item. The computations are performed by plans and analysis year or by plan equivalent annual damage. Hydrologic engineering project performance by plans is also computed. Output reports and selected plots are available for viewing results and comparing plans. Available commands are: **Study Status Report, Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year, Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis**, and **Results**.

Help   This menu item allows you to get on-line help, as well as display the current version information about FDA.

2.3   Analysis Steps

These steps are used in formulating and evaluating plans with FDA:

● Define a study (**File** menu). This is a team effort.

● Enter study configuration data (**Configure** menu). This is a team effort.

● Enter hydrology and hydraulics data (**HydEng** menu). Performed by the hydrologic and hydraulics team members, normally concurrent with the economic analyses.

● Enter economics data and/or compute aggregated stage-damage functions (**Economics** menu). Performed by the economics team members, normally concurrent with the hydrology and hydraulics analyses.

● Perform the expected annual damage/equivalent annual damage calculations (**Evaluation** menu). Normally performed and reviewed by the study team.

2.3.1 Define a Study

You define a new study or open an existing study from the **File** menu. Once a study is opened, the filename, title, and description of the study will always appear on the main window. Figure 2.2 shows the available command from the **File** menu.
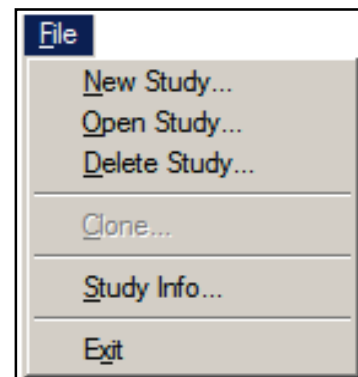
Figure 2.2 File Menu

New Study   To create a new study, on the **File** menu, click **New Study**, the **Create New Study** dialog box will open (Figure 2.3). The **Create New Study** dialog box has a default study filename extension (*.sty). You can store
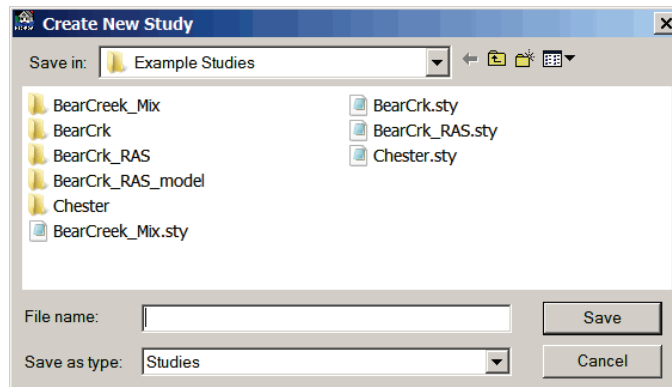
Figure 2.3 Create New Study Dialog Box

the study anywhere on the hard disk outside of limited user restricted areas (e.g. *c:\program files (86)\hec\hecfda\1.4\Example Studies)*. The study filename extension ".sty" cannot be changed. Once the filename is entered, a new subdirectory is created with that name. All database files are then created.

After the study information is entered, click **Save**, the **Study Information** dialog box will open (Figure 2.4). From the **Study Information** dialog box, you provide
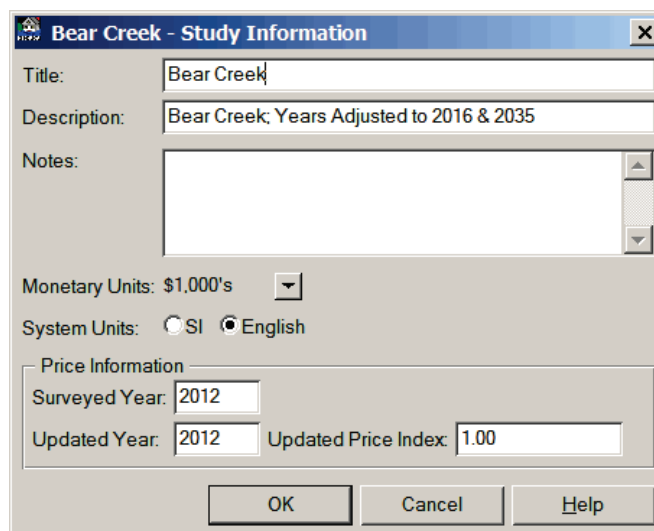
Figure 2.4 Study Information Dialog Box

information about the study including: a title; a description; notes about the study; and price index information. The information is used on various dialog

boxes and reports throughout the program. You choose the numeric monetary units to be used for all study data entry and output reports.

The **Monetary Units** list (see Figure 2.4, page 2-4) allows you three choices ($, $1,000's, $1,000,000's) for monetary units. For example, $1,000's (the default) indicates all values will be in $1000's. These are used as labels only.

System Units (see Figure 2.4, page 2-4) is a flag indicating that all units for the study data entry and output reports will be either SI (metric) or English. These are also used as labels only. No conversions are made in the program.

Price information allows you to globally adjust the price data from the year the damage survey data was compiled to an updated year. In the **Surveyed Year** box (see Figure 2.4, page 2-4), enter the year associated with the original structure inventory survey flood damage values. It must be a numeric four digit value greater than 1900. It is used as a label only.

In the **Updated Year** box (see Figure 2.4, page 2-4) enter the price year associated with the updated price index. It is also a numeric four digit value. It must be greater than or equal to the surveyed year (default is surveyed year).

In the **Updated Price Index** box (see Figure 2.4, page 2-4) enter the updated price index used to update all economic (structure damage) values to present (or other) values. It can be any numeric value between 0.00 and 100.00. If blank, it is assumed to be the same index value as the surveyed year with no adjustments made to the economic data. This value can be overridden by damage category, see Chapter 8 for further information.

Open Study   To open an existing study, on the **File** menu (see Figure 2.2, page 2-3), click **Open Study,** the **Open Study** dialog box will open (see Figure 2.5, page 2-6). A list of previously defined studies will appear on the dialog box. You double click on the study filename (filenames with the extension "*.sty") to retrieve a study.
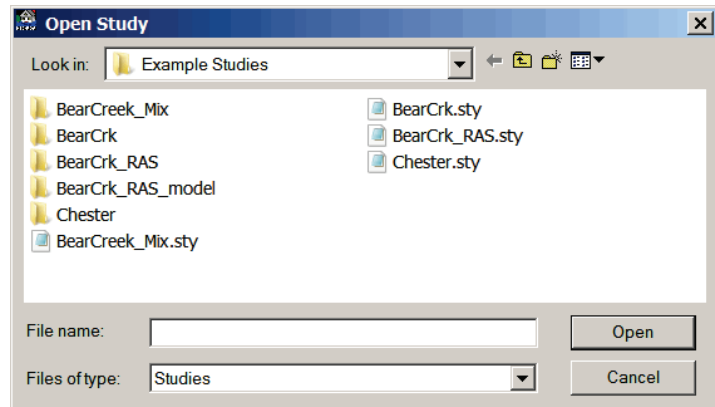
Figure 2.5 Open Study Dialog Box

Delete Study To delete the open study, on the **File** menu (see Figure 2.2, page 2-3), click **Delete Study**. A warning message will appear asking you if you really want to delete this study, click **Yes**. All files stored in the study subdirectory, and the study filename (".sty") above the study subdirectory will be deleted.

2.3.2 Study Configuration

Configure is where you configure the physical study layout and define plans for analysis for the study. The data defined are in common with all analyses. You define the study streams, damage reaches, plans, analysis years as shown in Figure 2.6.

> *Study Configuration is where you configure the physical study layout and define plans for analysis for the study. This is a team effort.*

Figure 2.6 Configure Menu

When performing a study, it is important that all study members agree on the study configuration. Hydrologic engineers, economists, and study managers must work together to develop the configuration. The study configuration consists of those data items that are not likely to change during a study. Chapter 3 contains a more detailed description of the study configuration data.

2.3.3 Hydrologic Engineering

Hydrologic Engineering (HydEng) is where you define the hydraulics and hydrology data needed to evaluate plans (see Figure 2.7, page 2-7). You can specify sets of water surface profiles by stream for each plan and analysis year to be analyzed. Exceedance probability functions, stage-discharge functions, and levee features are also defined under **HydEng**.
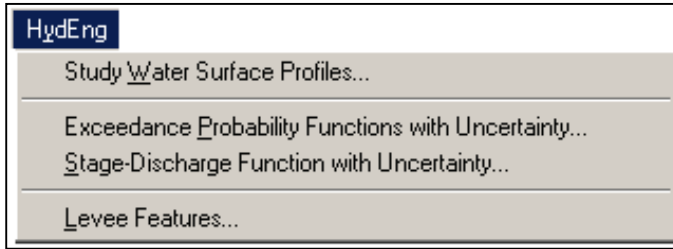
Figure 2.7 HydEng Menu

Chapter 4 provides further discussion on the hydrologic and hydraulic information required by FDA.

2.3.4 Economics

Economics (Figure 2.8) is where you define the economic data needed to evaluate the defined plans. The data includes: damage categories; structure occupancy types; structure inventory data, and stage-damage

> *Economics is where you define the economic data needed to evaluate the defined plans. Performed by the economics team members, normally concurrent with the hydrology and hydraulics analyses.*
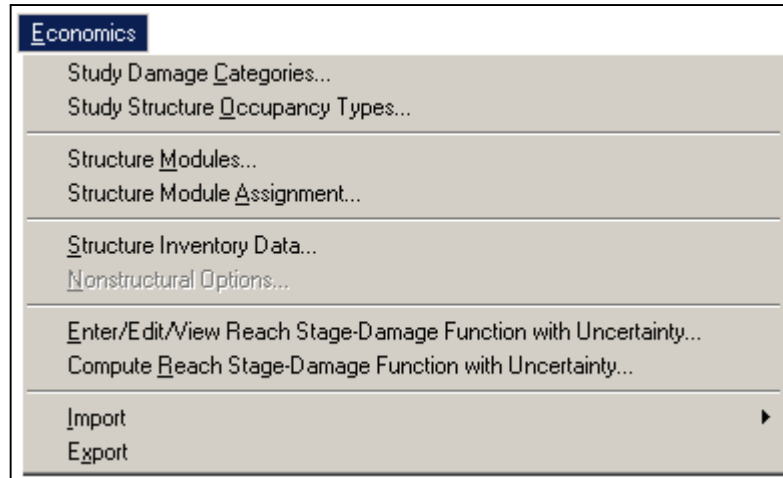
Figure 2.8 Economics Menu

functions. Damage categories and structure occupancy types are defined for the entire study. You may enter the stage-damage functions with uncertainty directly by plan, year, damage reach, and damage category or you may compute the aggregated values based on the structure inventory data, water surface profiles, and uncertainty specifications. Chapter 8 provides a more detailed description of the economic information required by FDA.

2.3.5 Evaluation

Evaluation (Figure 2.9) is where you compute results for expected annual damage, equivalent annual damage, and project performance by plan and analysis year using
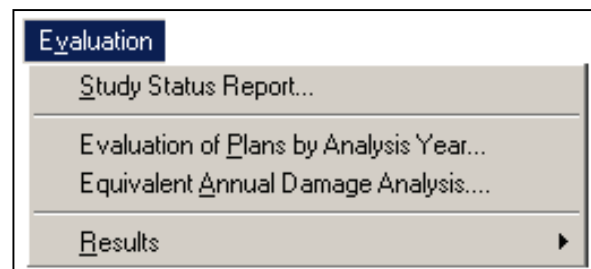
Figure 2.9 Evaluation Menu

the risk analysis approach. The **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year** dialog box (Figure 2.10) provides information on the computations of expected annual damage by plan and analysis year. Chapter 13 provides further information about the computational procedures for FDA.
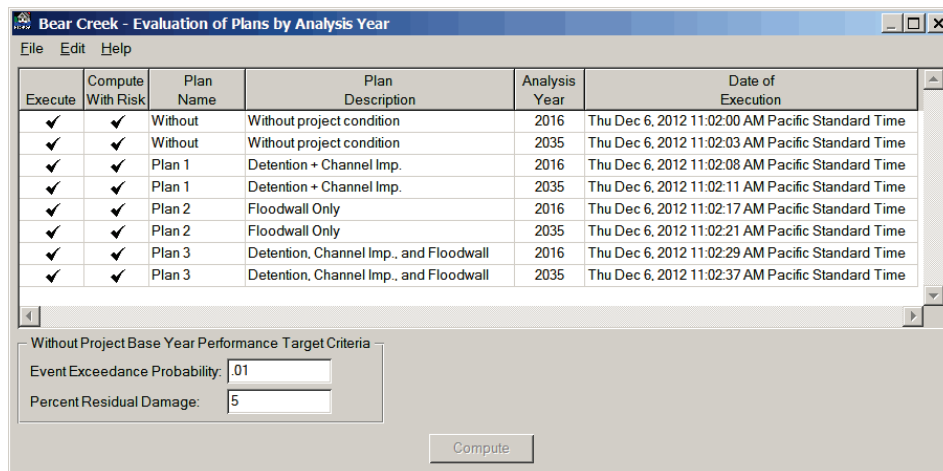
Figure 2.10 Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year Dialog Box

A series of output reports are available once the computations are successfully completed. The **Results** submenu (Figure 2.11) provides commands for viewing the computation results. They include expected annual damage (plans by analysis years), equivalent annual damage, and project performance. You may view the results of computational information summaries by specifying analysis
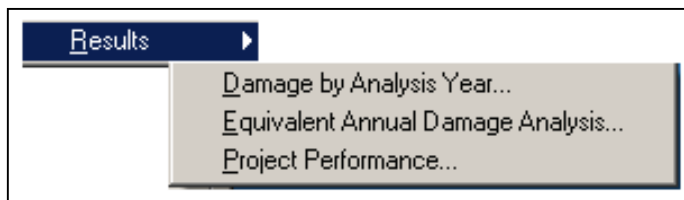
Figure 2.11 Results Submenu

reports by plans, years, streams, and damage reaches. Chapter 14 provides further information on the results available from FDA.

2.4   Program Concepts/Capabilities

2.4.1   Save, Add/Update, Cancel, and Close

You save new data/information to the database by pressing the **Add** or **Save Button**. The **Add Button** converts to the **Update Button** when returning to a dialog box where existing data are present. After editing existing data, the **Update Button** is pressed to save the information to the database. The **Cancel Button** cancels any changes made to the data and returns the dialog box to its original state. You close a dialog box by selecting **Close** under the **File** menu.

2.4.2   Navigator Button

The **Navigation Button**, (Figure 2.12) is available on several dialog boxes to allow quick movement through a data entry record list.

Figure 2.12 Navigation Button

Examples of data lists are streams, plans, and damage reaches.

The << symbol places you at the top (first) record of the list, while the >> symbol places you at the bottom (last record). The < (previous) symbol and the > (next) symbol move you back one record and forward one record in the list, respectively. The center of the navigation button indicates the number of records in the list and which record you are presently accessing. You create a new record (blank out data fields) by pressing on the center of the button.

2.4.3   Assignments

> *An **assignment** is where a function is defined for each damage reach index location for each stream, plan, and analysis year. The capability to define (assign) functions and information to physical stream locations (streams, damage reaches) and specific plans (plans, analysis years) is an integral part of FDA.*

Computations for expected and equivalent annual damage and project performance are performed using the exceedance probability, stage-discharge, and stage-damage functions. They must be defined for each damage reach index location for each stream, plan, and analysis year. The definition specification is referred to as an **assignment** in FDA. The capability to define (assign) functions and information to physical stream locations (streams, damage reaches) and specific plans (plans, analysis years) is an integral part of the program design. Assignment items are located at the top of some of the dialog boxes

For most data items or functions that require assignments, there is a report available that list the assignments. An (*) indicates an assignment is made but that some required data are missing. An (****) indicates that no assignment has been made. A (+) means that the data are out-of-date, i.e., the data to generate a function or output report has been changed.

Often it is desirable to use the same function for several plans and or analysis years. For example, the without-project condition base year stage-discharge function for damage reach 1 may be used for Plans A and C for both the base year and most likely future year with- and without-project conditions. Table 2.1 (page 2-10) lists the possible assignment items and associated copy combinations permitted for multiple assignments. The program filters the copies as shown in the table.

Unique functions are copied from one plan to another by the **Use Existing Function** command. You may use (copy) the entire function assignments of one plan to another by selecting the **Global Assignment Copy** command. For example, you may wish to use the same exceedance probability functions, or ratings, or stage-damage for different plans that

Table 2.1
Permitted Functions/Features Copying for Different Assignments

HEC-FDA Function/Feature	Plan	Analysis Year	Stream	Damage Reach	Damage Category
Water Surface Profiles	Yes	Yes	No	N/A	N/A
Discharge- or Stage-Probability	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	N/A
Stage-Discharge	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	N/A
Stage-Damage	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Levee	Yes	Yes	No	No	N/A

have several damage reaches. You may use the **Global Assignment Copy** command to perform the assignment operations.

2.4.4   Non-Modality

A powerful capability of using a graphical user interface is the ability to view and interact with multiple dialog boxes at a time. Version 1.4 of FDA is primarily non-modal; meaning many of the dialog boxes can be opened simultaneously. However, FDA dialog boxes under the **Study Configuration** menu (streams, damage reaches, plans, and analysis years), **Damage Categories** and **Structure Occupancy Types** under the **Economics** menu are modal-only, i.e., only one dialog box may be active or viewable at a time. This is due to the potential corruption of the database if certain operations are performed for these dialog boxes when multiple dialog boxes are open.

2.4.5   Study Backup

You should keep a current backup of the study subdirectory containing the study data. The .sty file under the main directory should also be included. If for some reason your database becomes corrupted, you should delete the subdirectory and copy your backup to a new subdirectory of the same or different name.

2.4.6   Help Menu

Help (Figure 2.13) is where you can find information that will help you in using FDA and creating a study. The **Contents**, **Search for Help On…**, **Using Help** items are standard help options for FDA. Also, **About HEC-FDA** (see Figure 2.14, page 2-11) provides information on version, office location, and view a license agreement.
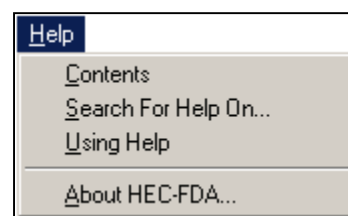
Figure 2.13 Help Menu

Figure 2.14 About FDA Dialog Box

2.4.7   On-line Help

On-line or context sensitive help is available throughout the program. By using the Fl key, on several of the FDA dialog boxes you can retrieve specific help on the dialog box or on a data entry item. By clicking on a particular data item of a dialog box, then clicking F1, you will be provided with on-line help for that item.

2.4.8   Printing

You may choose to print lists of data entry information reports, assignments reports, and output reports, and plots. The program uses the operating system printers and printer setup. Although many dialog boxes contain the printer setup menu item, you should modify printer settings from the print menu item. The program does not remember the settings selected from the printer setup dialog boxes.

2.4.9   Warning Messages

Warning messages are invoked throughout the program to assist with data entry and program operations. A log of warning messages associated with program execution is available and recommended for review.

2.5   Exiting Program

You exit the program from the **File** menu. The study data is then stored in a subdirectory under the study file name.

CHAPTER 3

Study Configuration

3.1   General

> ***Study Configuration***, *contains the data describing the physical layout for the study area and plan definition for analysis. Data includes streams, damage reaches, plans and analysis years.*

Study Configuration (Configure) is located on the FDA menu and contains the data describing the physical layout for the study area and plan definition for analysis. Data includes streams, damage reaches, plans and analysis years. Prior to using HEC-FDA, team members must define the physical layout of the study (i.e., study streams and damage reach locations). Next, plans and analysis years for the study area are defined. A study coordinated stream stationing convention is required and must be used by all disciplines.

Note: Hydrologic engineers, economists, and study managers must work together to develop the configuration and concur on the information used prior to analysis.

Study configuration consists of data items seldom changed during a study. Data changes at a later time may affect other hydrologic engineering or economic data previously entered. For example, discharge-exceedance probability, stage-discharge and damage-stage functions are required at each damage reach index location for each plan and analysis year to perform the Monte Carlo computations. Adding and deleting study configuration data directly affects the functions previously entered or those that need entering.

To define the study configuration, all study team members should meet and agree on the required information. Decisions are made on the system of units and monetary units (defined in **Study Information** dialog box, see Chapter 2, page 2-4). Then using maps and other available information, team members should decide on the streams, initial damage reach delineations, stream station conventions, index locations, analysis years, plans, and naming conventions.

The dialog boxes you will use to input data for the study configuration have a common **Menu Bar**. The **Menu Bar** contains the common menus listed below. For a description of the **Help** menu, see Chapter 2 (Section 2.4.6, page 2-10):

    File   This menu is used for file management and contains the following commands:

Add/Update: you either update (edit) an existing study
configuration data item (stream, damage reach, and plan)
or add a new study configuration data item to the study.
Close: close the open dialog box; if changes have not been
saved a warning message will appear.

Edit   This menu is used for editing study configuration data items,
traversing the records in a study configuration data item list,
creating study configuration data items, and deleting study
configuration data items. The commands available are:
Cut/Copy/Paste: the standard cut/copy/paste commands
First Record: places you on the first record of the study
configuration data item list
Last Record: places you on the last record of the study
configuration data item list
Next Record: places you on the next record of the study
configuration data item list
Previous Record: places you on the previous record of the
study configuration data item list
New Record: creates a new study configuration data item
record
Delete Record: deletes the selected study configuration
data item from the list

View   This menu is used to review what study configuration data
items have been created for the study; there is only one
command - **List of Study Configuration Data Items**.

3.2   Streams

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> study and are
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> analyses.*

Streams include various water bodies such as rivers, streams, creeks,
ditches, canals, bayous, lakes, ponds, etc. Streams are defined for the
study and are therefore common for all plans and analyses. A study may
include one or more streams. A stream station convention must be
adopted for the study. It is used to define damage reach boundaries,
damage reach index locations, water surface profiles, cross-sectional
locations, and structure locations. Figure 3.1 (see page 3-3) depicts a
stream network for a study area.

3.2.1 Create Streams

Create streams:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure
2.1, page 2-2), select the **Configure** menu, click **Study Streams**.
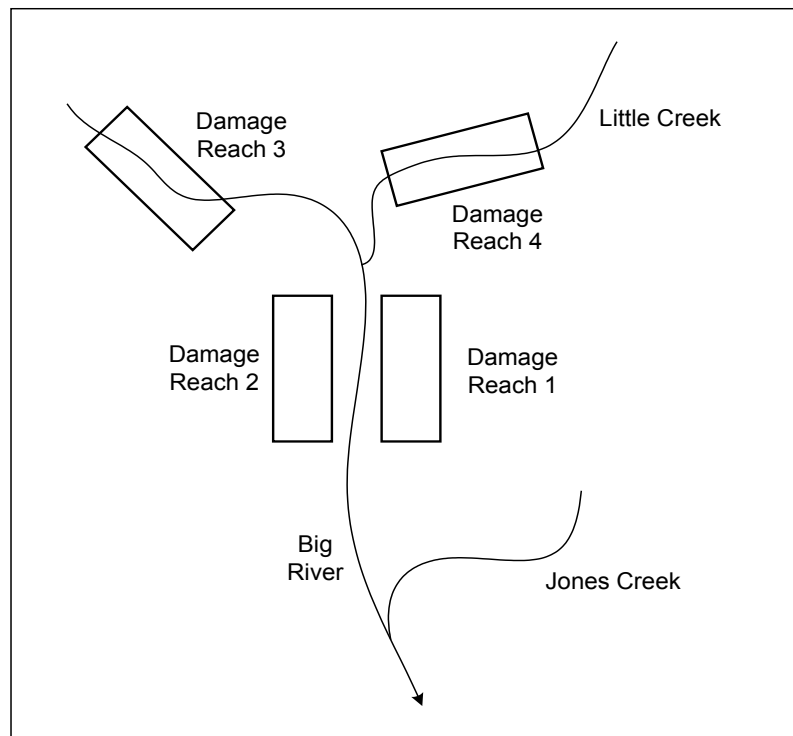
Figure 3.1 Stream and Damage Reach Concepts

2.   The **Study Streams** dialog box will open (Figure 3.2).
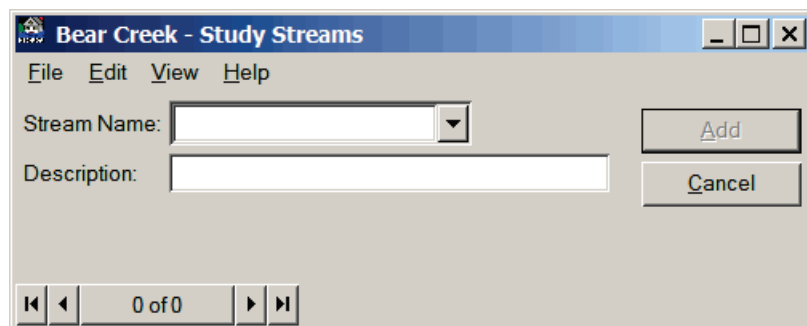
Figure 3.2 Study Streams Dialog Box

3.   Enter a name (required) in the **Stream Name** list. The maximum
       length is thirty-two (32) characters.
4.   Enter a description (optional, but recommended) in the **Description**
       box. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
5.   Click **Add**. The stream is added, and you can enter additional
       streams if you wish.
6.   When you are finished with entering your streams, on the **File**
       menu, click **Close**, the **Study Streams** dialog box will close (Figure
       3.2).

Additional ways to create streams are available in the **Study Streams**
dialog box (Figure 3.2):

● On the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**. You can now enter a new
stream from the **Study Streams** dialog box (see Figure 3.2, page
3-3).

-or-

● Click the center of the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section
2.4.2, page 2-9). You can now enter a new stream from the **Study
Streams** dialog box (see Figure 3.2, page 3-3).

3.2.2   Edit Streams

Edit streams that have already been defined:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure
2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Streams**.
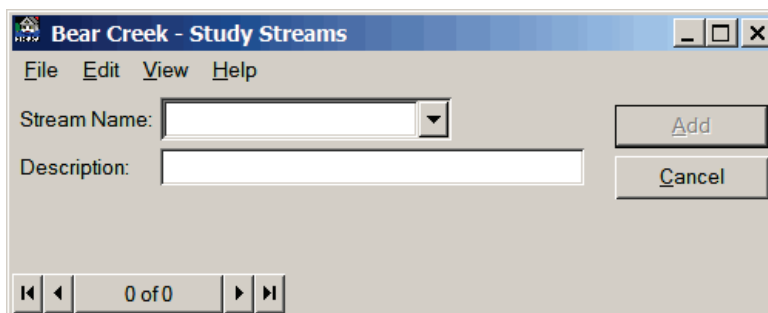
Figure 3.3 Study Streams Dialog Box - Update Button

2.   The **Study Streams** dialog box will open (Figure 3.3).
3.   From the **Stream Name** list, select the stream you want to edit and
make the necessary updates.
4.   Click **Update** to save the changes for the selected stream.
5.   When you are finished with editing your streams, on the **File** menu,
click **Close**, the **Study Streams** dialog box will close (Figure 3.3).

3.2.3   Delete Streams

Delete streams that have already been defined:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure
2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Streams**.
2.   The **Study Streams** dialog box will open (Figure 3.3).
3.   Select the stream you want to delete from the **Stream Name** list.
4.   On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Record**. A warning message will
appear asking you if you really want to delete the stream. Click
Yes, the stream will no longer be available.
5.   When you are finished with deleting streams, on the **File** menu,
click **Close**, the **Study Streams** dialog box will close (Figure 3.3).

3.2.4   List of Streams

To review the streams that you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Streams**.
2.   The **Study Streams** dialog box will open (see Figure 3.3, page 3-4).
3.   On the **View** menu, click **List of Streams**, the **List of Streams** dialog box will open (Figure 3.4).
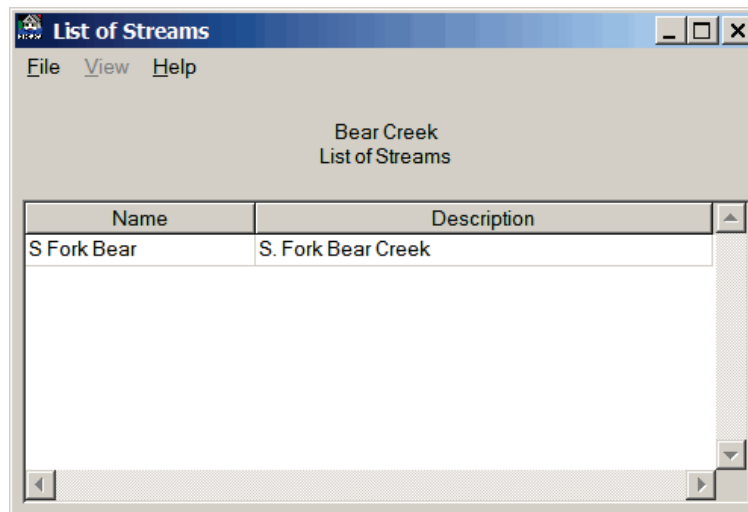
Figure 3.4 List of Streams Dialog Box

4.   To print this report, select the **File** menu and click **Print**
5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Streams** dialog box will close (Figure 3.4).

3.2.5   Data Entry Variables for Streams

Stream Name: The name of the stream, which is used in subsequent data entry pick lists, reports, and plots. A new stream name can be added to the database. An existing stream name can be selected, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

Stream Description: An alphanumeric description of the defined stream. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

3.3   Damage Reaches

Damage reaches are specific geographical areas within a floodplain. They are used to define consistent data for plan evaluations and to aggregate structure and other potential flood inundation damage information by stage of flooding. A damage reach is delineated by the beginning and

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ending stations (river mile, kilometer, etc.) along the stream and extends into the floodplain to include the largest flood deemed reasonably possible. Reach stationing is downstream to upstream (downstream stations are less than upstream stations). Damage reaches are unique to a stream. They are integral to both the hydrologic engineering and economic analyses. A damage reach can be specified for the right or left bank (as looking downstream) or both banks. Delineation of the damage reach must be consistent with flood damage reduction measures. For example, a channel may be analyzed with a damage reach covering both banks, but a levee is analyzed for a damage reach only along one bank (refer to EM 1110-2-1619 for further information on damage reaches).

When delineating damage reaches, consider consistent discharge- or stage-exceedance probability functions throughout the damage reach, location of flood damage reduction measures, and jurisdiction boundaries for reporting purposes. Normally, damage reach delineations evolve through the analysis of the without-project (base year) condition and become fixed thereafter when the location and magnitude of damage is known and types of flood damage reduction measures to be studied are defined. The same damage reaches are used throughout for all the analyses of without- and with-project conditions. Figure 3.1 (page 3-3) shows the delineation of damage reaches.

The index location station for a damage reach is specified for several reasons:

1) To facilitate retrieving discharge and/or stage probability ordinates from the water surface profile.
2) To facilitate retrieving stage-discharge rating curves from the water surface profiles.
3) To enable the aggregation of stage-damage functions from individual structures to the index location. The index location station may be located at any stream station in the damage reach.

3.3.1   Defining Damage Reaches

Damage reaches should be defined for the following:

1) To represent consistent probability and stage-discharge functions along a stream
2) To provide sufficient detail in the results
3) To facilitate the analysis of levees

Although there is no limit to the number of damage reaches, the required calculation time for expected annual damage is directly proportional to the number of damage reaches, so it behooves you to define the minimal number that is sufficient. A damage reach containing a levee cannot

contain structures that are unprotected by the levee. This may require you to define more damage reaches than what you would otherwise define.

The damage reach to which a structure belongs may be defined using one of two methodologies:

1) Let FDA calculate the damage reach using the structure's stream name, station, and bank.
2) Explicitly define the damage reach using the **SID Reach Name** option, see Chapter 11, Section 11.5 (page 11-21) for further details.

The first method works well if the damage reaches do not overlap from a stream stationing standpoint. However, this is sometimes impossible. For example, levee plans may describe several alignments with different setbacks from the stream. You may wish to define two damage reaches on one bank of the stream - one damage reach containing protected and one damage reach containing unprotected structures. This example actually contains two problems: the first is that the damage reaches overlap, and the second is that the geographic area changes with the plans as a function of the levee alignment.

The use of **Structure Modules** (see Chapter 10) can address the problem of the changing geographic area. The problem of mixed levee protection can be addressed by either the use of stream bank location, the use of **SID Reach Names**, or the addition of pseudo streams.

If the levee is proposed for only one side of the stream, the protected structures are entered as if they are located on one bank, whereas the unprotected structures are entered as if located on the other bank. The disadvantage of this method is that the structure's bank location is defined based upon levee protection rather than on physical location. If levees of different heights are proposed for each side of the stream, this methodology will not work. The use of pseudo streams requires the duplication of hydraulic and hydrologic engineering data. The use of **SID Reach Names** requires that you define the damage reach name for each structure, which can be tedious, but allows the proper definition of stream bank, does not require the duplication of hydrologic engineering data, and facilitates the overlap of two or more damage reaches. The stream stations and water surface profiles (or alternatively, the **SID Reference Flood Elevation** option) are still used to aggregate damage to the index location.

3.3.2 Create Damage Reaches

To create damages reaches, at least one stream has to have been created:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Damage Reaches**.
2. The **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will open (Figure 3.5).

Figure 3.5 Study Damage Reaches Dialog Box

3. From the **Stream Name** list, select the stream where the damage reach is located. Enter a damage reach name (required) in the **Reach Name** list, the maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
4. Enter a description (optional, but recommended) in the **Description** box. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
5. Enter a value (range of 0.00 to 999,999.99) for the beginning station in the **Beginning** box. This is the downstream end of the damage reach and must be less than or equal to the ending station.
6. Enter a value (range of 0.00 to 999,999.99) for the ending station in the **Ending** box. This is the upstream end of the damage reach and must be greater than or equal to the beginning station.
7. From **Bank**, select the stream bank (looking downstream) where the damage reach is located. There are three choices: **Left, Right, Both**, with **Both** being the default selection.
8. Enter a value (range of 0.00 to 999,999.99) for the index location station in the **Index Location** box. This value must be greater than or equal to the beginning station, and must be less than or equal to the ending station.
9. Click **Add**, and the damage reach for that stream is added.
10. When you are finished with entering your damage reaches, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, and the **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will close (Figure 3.5).

Additional ways to create damage reaches are provided from the **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box (Figure 3.5):

- On the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**, you can now enter a new damage reach from the **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box (see Figure 3.5, page 3-8).

<p align="center">-or-</p>

- From the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, page 2-9), click the center of the button; you can now enter a new damage reach from the **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box (see Figure 3.5, page 3-8).

3.3.3   Edit Damage Reaches

Edit damage reaches that have already been defined:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Damage Reaches**.
2.   The **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will open (Figure 3.6).

Figure 3.6 Study Damage Reaches Dialog Box - Update Button

3.   From the **Stream Name** list, select the stream where the damage reach is located.
4.   From the **Reach Name** list, select the damage reach that you want to update.
5.   Make changes to any of the data entry variables, when finished click **Update**; the changes are saved for the selected damage reach.
6.   When you are finished with editing your damage reaches, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will close (Figure 3.6).

3.3.4   Delete Damage Reaches

Delete damage reaches that have already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Damage Reaches**.
2. The **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will open (see Figure 3.6, page 3-9).
3. From the **Stream Name** list select the stream where the damage reach is located.
4. From the **Reach Name** list, select the damage reach you want to delete.
5. From the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Record**. A warning message will appear asking you if you really want to delete the damage reach. Click **Yes**, the damage reach will no longer be available.
5. When you are finished with deleting damage reaches, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will close (see Figure 3.6, page 3-9).

3.3.5   List of Damage Reaches

To review the damage reaches that you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Damage Reaches**.
2. The **Study Damage Reaches** dialog box will open (see Figure 3.6, page 3-9).
3. On the **View** menu, click **List of Damage Reaches**, the **List of Damage Reaches** dialog box will open (Figure 3.7).

Figure 3.7 List of Damage Reaches Dialog Box

4. This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.

5. When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Damage Reaches** dialog box will close (see Figure 3.7, page 3-10).

3.3.6   Data Entry Variables for Damage Reaches

Stream Name: Select a previously defined stream name where the damage reach is located.

Damage Reach Name: Name of the damage reach, which is used in subsequent data entry pick lists, reports, and plots. A new damage reach name can be added to the database. An existing damage reach name can be selected, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

Damage Reach Description: Alphanumeric description of the defined damage reach. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

Beginning Station: Beginning station number for downstream end of damage reach. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 999,999.99. The value must be less than or equal to the ending station.

Ending Station: Ending station number for upstream end of damage reach. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 999,999.99. The value must be greater than or equal to the beginning station.

Bank: Stream bank (looking downstream) where the damage reach is located. The delineation of the bank should consider potential local flood damage reduction measures and jurisdictional boundaries. Some measures are typically implemented on only one bank; these include levees and walls, and various nonstructural actions. Channels and upstream storage projects reduce flooding for both banks. There are three hardwired choices (Left, Right, Both), with Both being the default.

Left Bank: Indicates that the damage reach is only along the left bank of the stream. The left bank is defined looking downstream or with the current of the stream.

Right Bank: Indicator that the damage reach is only along the right bank of the stream. The right bank is defined looking downstream or with the current of the stream.

Both Banks: Indicator that the damage reach is delineated spatially over both banks of the stream. The stream cuts through the damage reach. Normally used for ponding or storage area reaches.

Index Location Station: A stream station location within a damage reach is used to specify discharge-probability, stage-discharge, and stage-damage functions with uncertainty data for plan evaluations for that damage reach. Also, the index location station (corresponding stream station) is used for aggregation of stage-damage functions with uncertainty by damage category. The index location station is defined between the beginning and ending station values and where data is normally deemed most reliable, such as a streamgage location. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 999,999.99. The value must be greater than or equal to the Beginning Station and less than or equal to the Ending Station. The index location does not have to be at a water surface profile cross section location.

3.4   Plans

> *A **plan** is a set of one or more flood damage reduction measures or actions designed to operate over a period of time (project life). The plan is inclusive of the entire study area, although it may have a flood damage reduction measure for a single damage reach.*

A plan may represent the with- or without project conditions. The with-project condition plan consists of one or more flood damage reduction measures and actions. It includes all streams and damage reaches within the specified study limits. A plan exists and is evaluated over an analysis period (project life), normally fifty years. It starts with the base year of implementation or operation. Static hydrologic engineering and economic conditions associated with a specified future analysis year are included to evaluate the equivalent economic and engineering performance of the plan over its project life (Table 3.1). For further information, refer to ER 1105-2-100, ER 1105-2-101, and EM 1110-2-1619.

Table 3.1
Study Plans and Analysis Years

	Analysis Years	
Plan Name	**Base Year**	**Most Likely Future Year**
Without Project Conditions	2016	2035
Plan 1 Levees	2016	2035
Plan2 Channels	2016	2035
Plan 3 Nonstructural	2016	2035
Plan 4 Mixed Measures	2016	2035

In FDA, the without-project condition is a hardwired plan and is automatically created when a new study is created. It is always listed first and cannot be deleted. The without-project condition is the plan which all subsequent plans are compared against.

3.4.1 Create Plans

To create plans:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Plan Definition**.
2.   The **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will open (Figure 3.8).
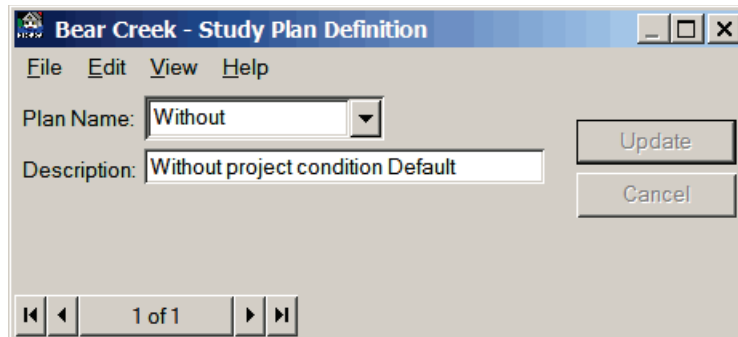
Figure 3.8 Study Plan Definition Dialog Box

3.   The **Without** plan has already been defined. There are two ways to add another plan:
   ● On the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**, you can now enter a new plan from the **Study Plan Definition** dialog box (Figure 3.9).
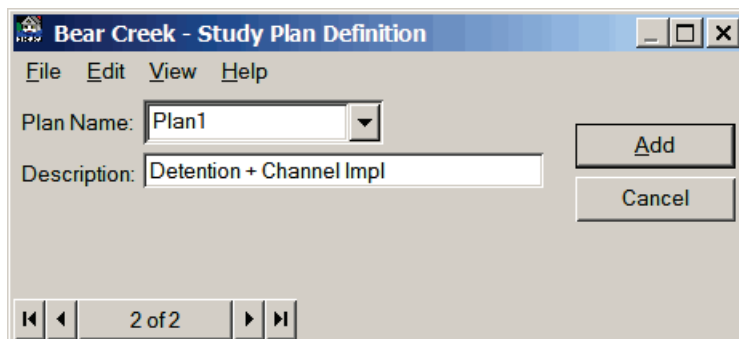
Figure 3.9 Study Plan Definition Dialog Box - New Record

- or -

   ● From the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, page 2-9), click the center of the button; you can now enter a new plan from the **Study Plan Definition** dialog box (Figure 3.9).
4.   Enter a name (required) in the **Plan Name** list. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
5.   Enter a description (optional, but recommended) in the **Description** box. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
6.   Click **Add**, the plan is added, and you can enter additional plans if you wish.
6.   When you are finished with entering your plans, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will close (Figure 3.9).

3.4.2 Edit Plans

Edit plans that have already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Plan Definition**.
2. The **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will open (Figure 3.10).
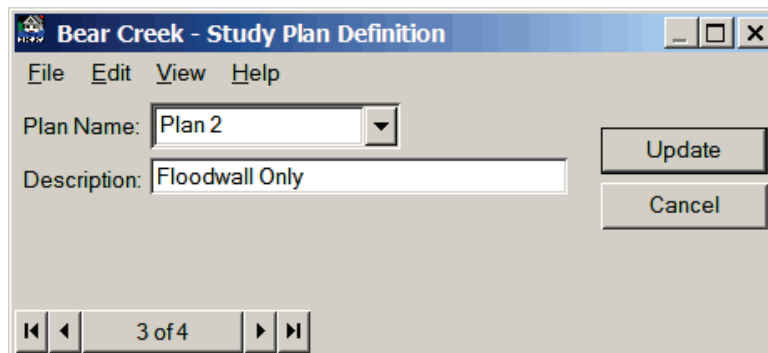
Figure 3.10 Study Plan Definition Dialog Box - Update Button

3. From the **Plan Name** list, select the plan you want to edit and make the necessary updates.
4. Click **Update**, the changes are saved for the selected plan.
5. When you are finished with editing your plans, from the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will close (Figure 3.10).

3.4.3 Delete Plans

Delete plans that have already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Plan Definition**.
2. The **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will open (see Figure 3.9, page 3-13).
3. From the **Plan Name** list select the plan you want to delete.
4. On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Record**. A warning message will appear asking you if you really want to delete the plan. Click **Yes**, the plan will no longer be available.
5. The **Without** plan cannot be deleted.
6. When you are finished with deleting plans, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will close (see Figure 3.9, page 3-13).

3.4.4   List of Plans

To review the plans that you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Plan Definition**.
2. The **Study Plan Definition** dialog box will open (see Figure 3.9, page 3-13).
3. On the **View** menu, click **List of Plans**, the **List of Plans** dialog box will open (Figure 3.11).
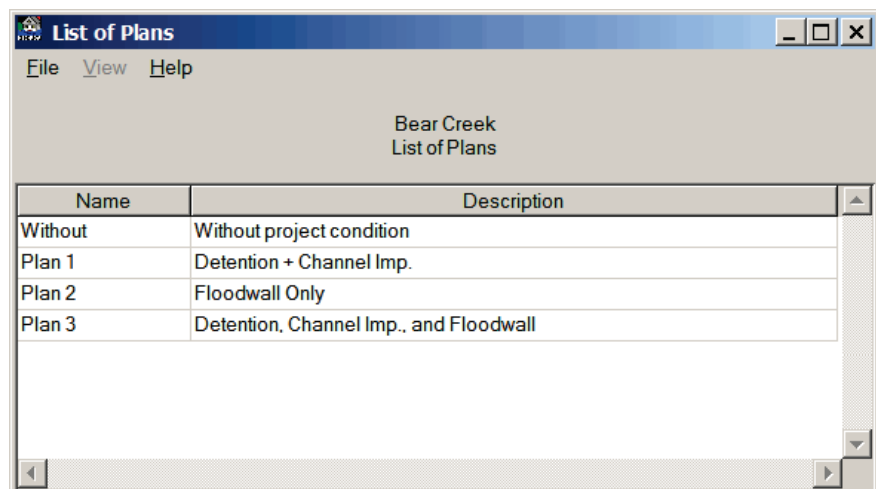
Figure 3.11 List of Plans Dialog Box

4. This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5. When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Plans** dialog box will close (Figure 3.11).

3.4.5   Data Entry Variables for Plans

Plan Name: Name of the plan, which is used in subsequent data entry pick lists, reports, and plots. A new plan name can be added to the database. An existing plan name can be selected, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

Plan Description: Alphanumeric description of the defined plan. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

3.5   Analysis Years

*An **analysis year** represents a static time period or year that the hydrologic engineering and economic data must be developed for analyses. **Base year** is the first year of the plan operation.*

Analysis years define damage and project performance information for specific time periods during the project life, such as the base year or most likely future year. The analysis year results are used to compute equivalent annual damage computations for a plan. The same analysis years are used for all study evaluations. An analysis year represents a static time period or year that the hydrologic engineering and economic data must be developed for analyses. Base year is the first year of the plan operation. The most likely future year is normally a development projection for a specific future year, say twenty years out from the base year. The expected annual damage is assumed constant beyond the most likely future condition (future analysis year). The analysis concepts are depicted in Figure 3.12. The expected annual damage for each year in the analysis period is computed, discounted back to present value at the beginning of the base year and annualized to get the equivalent value over the analysis period (project life). For further information see ER 1105-2-100, ER 1105-2-101, and EM 1110-2-1619.
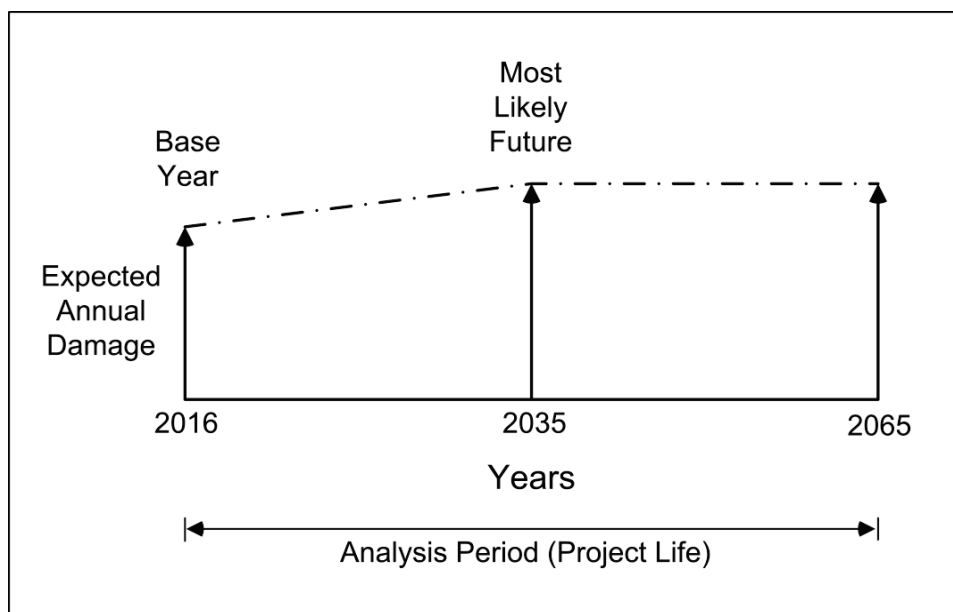
Figure 3.12 Analysis Years

3.5.1   Create Analysis Years

To create analysis:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Configure** menu, click **Study Analysis Years**.
2. The **Study Analysis Years** dialog box will open (see Figure 3.13, page 3-17).
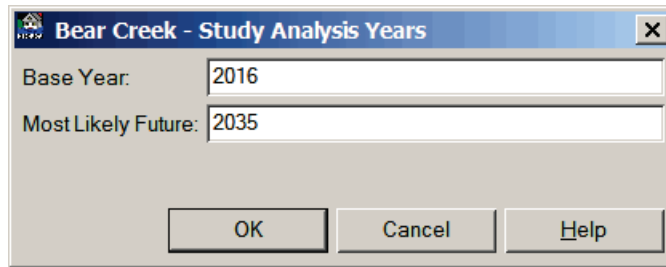
Figure 3.13 Study Analysis Years Dialog Box

3. Type a value for the first year a plan is implemented and operational in the **Base Year** box.
4. Type a value for the most likely future condition development projection for a specific future year in the **Most Likely Future** box.
5. Click **OK**, the **Study Analysis Years** dialog box will close (Figure 3.13), and the analysis years have been added to the study.

3.5.2   Data Entry Variables for Analysis Years

Base Year: First year a plan is implemented and operational.

Most Likely Future: The most likely future condition development projection for a specific future year. This variable is used to compute the equivalent annual damage over the analysis period (project life). Normally, the most likely future conditions are projected twenty to thirty years out from base year, and it must be greater than base year. FDA does not require you to enter a most likely future year. If you wish to evaluate only the base year, leave the most likely future year blank. You would enter data for only the base year and would not calculate equivalent annual damage.

3.6   References

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CHAPTER 4

Hydrologic Engineering (HydEng)

4.1 General

> *Hydrologic Engineering is where hydrology, hydraulics, and levee data are entered for analysis.*

Hydrologic Engineering (HydEng) is where hydrology, hydraulics, and levee data are entered for analysis. The data includes: water surface profiles, exceedance probability functions (see Chapter 5), stage-discharge functions (see Chapter 6), and levee features (see Chapter 7). Although optional, water surface profiles are recommended. The profiles are required when computing aggregated stage-damage uncertainty functions at damage reach index locations as specified under **Economics** (see Chapter 8). The profiles must be consistent with discharge (stage)-probability and stage-discharge (rating) functions required for each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

The discharge-exceedance probability uncertainty functions can be computed using either analytical or graphical procedures. Stage-exceedance probability uncertainty functions can also be computed and applied. The stage-discharge uncertainty function may be entered directly or the uncertainty specified for a stage and scaled for the other ordinates.

The typical sequence that you would follow in the hydrologic engineering section is:

1) Import the eight water surface profiles. These can be discharge-probability profiles from HEC-RAS (USACE 2010a) or HEC-2. Alternatively, import stage-probability (or discharge-probability) profiles from some other source using the import from text file capability in the economics section. Also, you can directly enter all of the water surface profile data directly in the GUI.

2) For each damage reach, either retrieve the graphical probability functions (see Chapter 5, Section 5.3, page 5-6) from the water surface profiles or enter the Log Pearson Type III (see Chapter 5, Section 5.2.2, page 5-4) moments. For discharge-probability profiles, you can retrieve either eight points for a graphical curve or three points for a synthetic analytical curve. For stage-probability profiles, you can retrieve eight points for a graphical curve. You must define the equivalent length of record. For graphical probability functions, you can add additional points to better define the function. By default, the lowest point on a

graphical probability function is for an exceedance probability of .50 and you will need to estimate a value for the .999 exceedance probability. If a reach uses Log Pearson Type III, then you would simply enter the moments of the distribution and would not retrieve the probability function from the water surface profiles. As an alternative to retrieving the graphical probability function from the profiles, you can directly enter the function.

3) For each damage reach that has a discharge-probability function, retrieve the stage-discharge function (see Chapter 6) from the water surface profiles. If the reach has a stage-probability function, then you do not enter a stage-discharge function. You can add additional points to better define the curve. By default, the highest point on the function represents stage for 0.002 exceedance probability. Since HEC-FDA does not extrapolate the stage-discharge function, you should estimate a value or values for discharges (with uncertainty) that correspond to very rare probabilities. As an alternative to retrieving the stage-discharge function from the water surface profiles, you can directly enter the function. Finally, you would need to define the uncertainty about the stage-discharge function.

4) Finally, for damage reaches that have a levee, you would enter the top of levee stage (see Chapter 7) at the index location. You optionally could enter additional data for geotechnical failure analysis or for exterior-interior stage calculations.

The dialog boxes you will use to input data for the hydrology and hydraulics data for a study have a common **Menu Bar**. The **Menu Bar** contains the following common menus, for a description of the **Help** menu see Chapter 2 (Section 2.4.6, page 2-10):

File   This menu is used for file management and contains the following commands:
   Save: changes are saved for the hydrologic engineering data items (water surface profile sets, exceedance probability functions, stage-discharge functions, levees).
   Use an Existing Function: allows you to copy the selected hydrologic engineering data item to a selected assignment. That assignment differs for each individual hydrologic engineering data item.
   Close: close the open dialog box; if changes have not been saved a warning message will appear.

Edit   This menu is used for editing hydrologic engineering data items, traversing the records in a hydrologic engineering data item list, creating hydrologic engineering data items, and

deleting hydrologic engineering data items. The commands available are:

Cut/Copy/Paste: the standard cut/copy/paste commands

Insert Row: on the dialog boxes that contain tables, this command allows you to insert a row above the selected row. To insert a row, you must highlight the row where you want to insert a row by clicking on the row number at the far left of the table, on the **Edi**t menu, click **Insert Row**. The new row will be inserted above the selected row.

Delete Row: on the dialog boxes that contain tables, this command allows you to delete a row anywhere in the table. To delete a row, you must highlight the entire row by clicking on the row number at the far left of the table, on the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Row**. The selected row will be deleted from the table.

Delete Assignment: this command deletes the assignment of a hydrologic engineering data item. If you only have one hydrologic engineering data item, then by deleting the assignment you are removing the hydrologic engineering data item from the study.

Global Assignment Copy: this command allows you to assign hydrologic engineering data items to multiple plans and analysis years.

View This menu is used to review what hydrologic engineering data items have been created for the study; what assignments have been made, display graphically hydrologic engineering data items, and display a report of the hydrologic engineering data items. The commands available are:

Hydrologic Engineering Data Item Assignments: this command displays a report that gives you information on assignments that have been made for the hydrologic engineering data items.

List of Hydrologic Engineering Data Item: this command displays a report that will give you a list of hydrologic engineering data items that have been defined for the study.

Hydrologic Engineering Data Item Plot: this command displays a graphical representation of a hydrologic engineering data item.

Hydrologic Engineering Data Item Report:this command displays a report of a hydrologic engineering data item.

4.2   Water Surface Profiles

*A **water surface profile** is the stream water surface stage along a stream length associated with discharge values of a hypothetical or observed event.*

A **water surface profile** is the stream water surface stage along a stream length associated with discharge values of a hypothetical or observed event. In FDA, a water surface profile set must consist of eight flood events. They may be discharge- or stage-based for each stream. Each water surface profile set has stream stations, invert elevations, and discharge and stage values. Stream stationing must be consistent with the damage reach and structure location stationing. It is normally associated with water surface profile cross-sectional stations. Ponding or storage areas are defined using a stage-exceedance probability water surface profile. Unsteady flow modeling profiles are also normally stage-exceedance probability based. The water surface profile data sets may be imported from HEC-RAS (USACE 2010a) or HEC-2 (USACE 1991) results (see Appendix C), copy (assign) a previously developed water surface profile data set from one plan to another, or enter manually.

The default set of eight water surface profiles are for the .50-, .20-, .10-, .04-, .02-, .01-, .004-, and .002- exceedance probability flood events.

The default set of eight water surface profiles are for the .50-, .20-, .10-, .04-, .02-, .01-, .004-, and .002-exceedance probability flood events. At the index location, the discharge and stage for each profile must be greater than those from the previous profile. Discharge values of the water surface profile analyses are median values, not the expected or mean values.

FDA allows you to change the probability designations from the **Study Water Surface Profile** dialog box (Figure 4.1). The probability values are used for the graphical or synthetic discharge-exceedance probability functions if retrieved from water surface profile data.
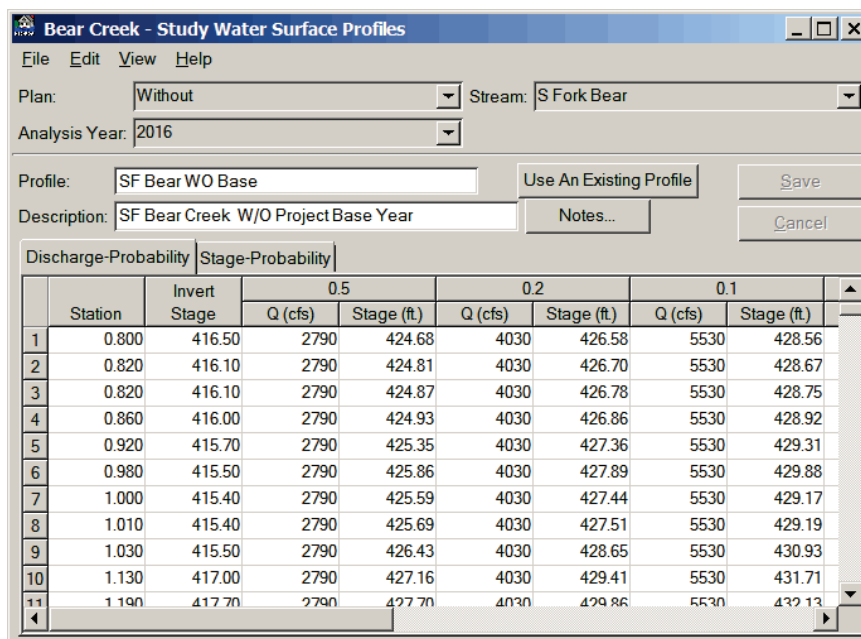
Figure 4.1 Study Water Surface Profiles Dialog Box
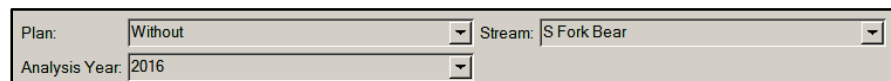
Water surface profile sets may be used to develop without- and with-project condition discharge-probability (synthetic and graphical) functions (see Chapter 5) and stage-discharge functions (see Chapter 6) at an index location station within a damage reach, this ensures consistency of the data. Water surface profiles are also used to aggregate stage-damage functions with uncertainty (see Chapter 12) for individual structures to the damage reach index location station.

4.3 Importing Water Surface Profile Sets

To import water surface profile sets from HEC-2 or HEC-RAS:

> *You can import water surface profile sets from HEC-2 or HEC-RAS.*

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. For each plan, analysis year, and stream combination a water surface profile set will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, and the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list (Figure 4.2).

Figure 4.2 Assignment Items for a Water Surface Profile Set

4. On the **File** menu, click **Import**, the **Import Water Surface Profile** dialog box will open (Figure 4.3).
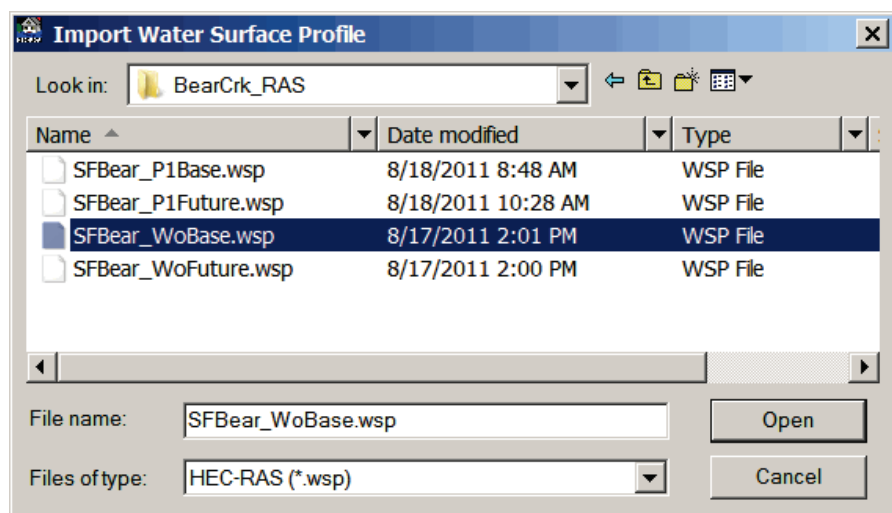
Figure 4.3 Import Water Surface Profiles Dialog Box

5.   By default, the import is expecting an HEC-RAS file (*.wsp). From the **Files of type** list, you can choose an HEC-2 (SUMPO) file, which has the extension *.smp*.

6.   After you have chosen the appropriate extension, the files with that extension will be displayed in the **Import Water Surface Profile** dialog box (see Figure 4.3, page 4-5). Double- click on the file that contains your water surface profile set.

7.   The **Import Water Surface Profiles** dialog box (see Figure 4.3, page 4-5) will close and the table on the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4) will display your water surface profile set for the selected plan, analysis year, and stream.

8.   Enter a name (required) in the **Profile** box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

9.   Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters. **Note**: If you import a water surface profile set from HEC-RAS, there is a default description.

10.   You can enter detailed notes about the water surface profile set. Click **Notes**, the **Notes** dialog will open (Figure 4.4). If the water surface profile set was imported the **Notes** dialog box will contain
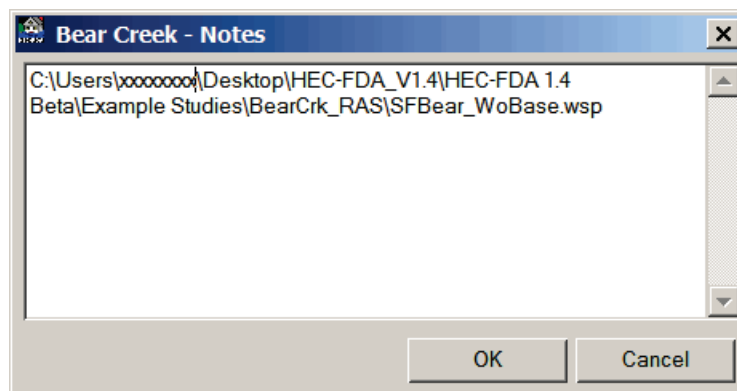
Figure 4.4 Notes Dialog Box

the filename from where the water surface profile set was imported. When you are finished entering the notes, click **OK**, the **Notes** dialog box will close.

11.   From the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4), click **Save**, the water surface profile set is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, and stream.

12.   When you are finished with creating water surface profile sets, from the **File** menu, click **Close,** the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will close (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4)**.**

Appendix C provides information on how to generate the data files you will need from HEC-2 or HEC-RAS (USACE 2010a) for importing into FDA. There is an additional way to import water surface profiles from

ASCII text files. For further details on the ASCII import, see Chapter 8, Section 8.3.2 (page 8-7).

4.4   Edit a Water Surface Profile Set

To edit a water surface profile set:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, and stream (see Figure 4.2, page 4-5).
4. Make changes to any of the data entry variables, add rows (on **Edit** menu, click **Insert Row**), and delete rows (on the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Row**). When finished click **Save**, the changes are saved for the selected water surface profile set.
5. When you are finished with editing your water surface profile sets, on the **File** menu, click **Close,** the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will close (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4)**.**

By default, FDA provides you with a set of eight probabilities (0.5, 0.2, 0.1, 0.04, 0.02, 0.01, 0.004, 0.002). You can change these probability values:

1. On the **Edit** menu, click **Edit Probability Values,** the **Edit Probability Values** dialog box will open (Figure 4.5).
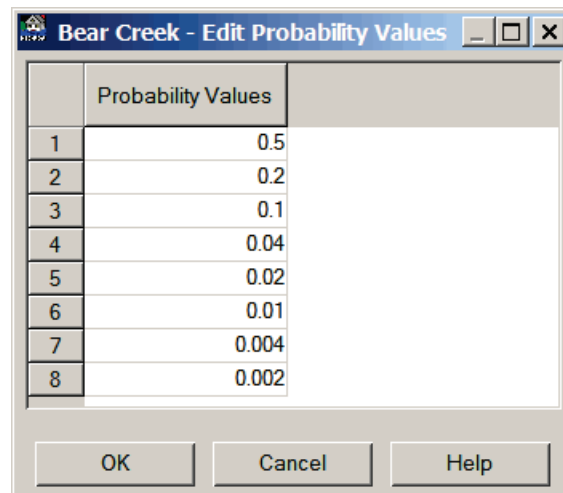
Figure 4.5 Edit Probability Values Dialog Box

2. From the **Probability Values** column, change the probability values. When you are finished, click **OK**, the **Edit Probability Values** dialog box will close (Figure 4.5). The table on the **Study**

Water Surface Profiles dialog box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4) will reflect the changes you have made.

4.5 Delete a Water Surface Profile Set

Since water surface profile sets are assigned to a plan, analysis year, and stream, you are deleting the assignment of that particular water surface profile set to a plan, analysis year, and stream. Any water surface profile set that is assigned to only one plan, analysis year, stream, and then deleted, will be removed from the study. To delete a water surface profile set:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, and stream (see Figure 4.2, page 4-5); this will give you the water surface profile set you wish to delete.
4. On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Assignment**, a warning message will appear asking you if you really wish to delete this water surface profile set assignment. Click **Yes**, the water surface profile set is no longer assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, and stream.
5. When you are finished, on the **File** menu, click **Close,** the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will close (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4)**.**

4.6 List of Water Surface Profile Sets

To review the water surface profiles sets you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. On the **View** menu, click **List of Water Surface Profiles**, the **List of Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.6, page 4-9).
4. This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5. When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close,** the **List Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will close (see Figure 4.6, page 4-9)**.**
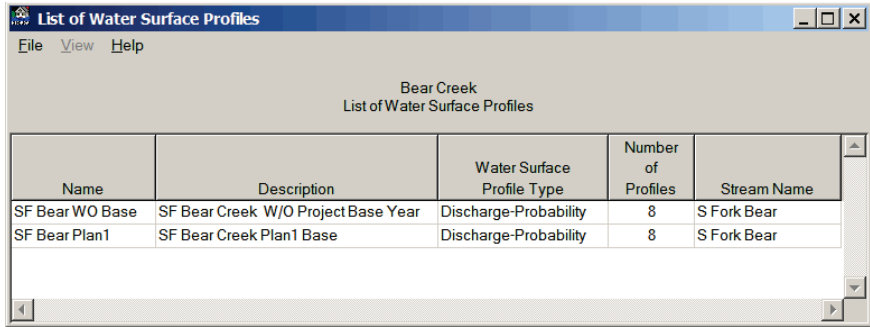
Figure 4.6 List of Water Surface Profiles Dialog Box

4.7   Water Surface Profile Plot

To view a water surface profile set graphically:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, and stream (see Figure 4.2, page 4-5); this will give you the water surface profile set you wish to view graphically.
4. On the **View** menu, click **Water Surface Profile Stream Plot**, the **Water Surface Profiles Plot** dialog box will open (Figure 4.7).
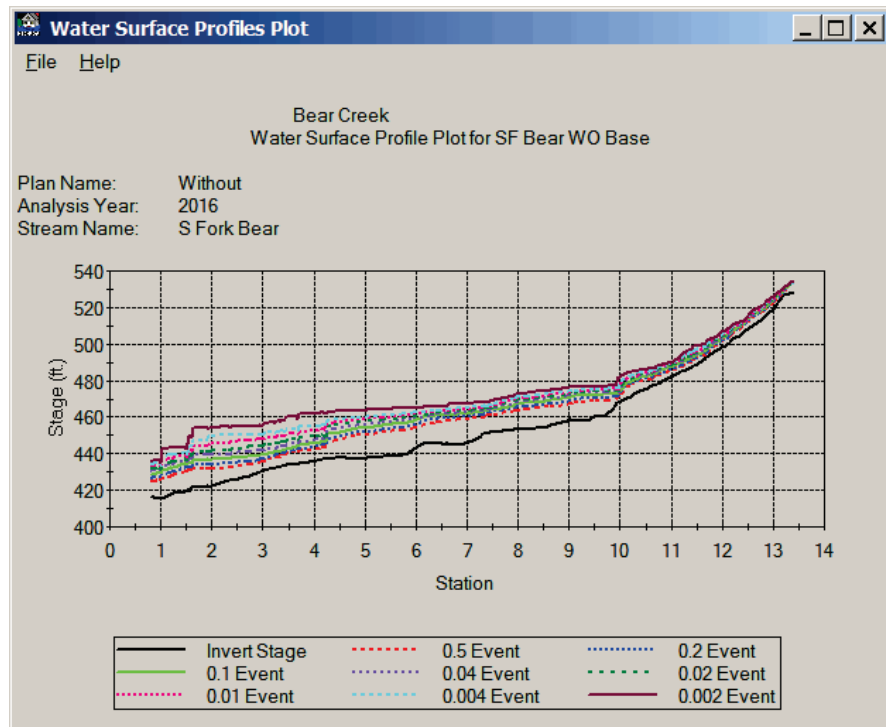
Figure 4.7 Water Surface Profiles Plot Dialog Box

5.   When you are finished reviewing the plot, from the **File** menu, click
      Close, the **Water Surface Profiles Plot** dialog box will close (see
      Figure 4.7, page 4-9).

4.8   Water Surface Profile Report

To view a water surface profile set in a report:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure
      2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface
      Profiles**.
2.   The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see
      Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3.   Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, and stream (see Figure
      4.2, page 4-5); this will give you the water surface profile set you
      wish to view in a report.
4.   On the **View** menu, click **Water Surface Profile Stream Report**,
      the **Water Surface Profiles Report** dialog box will open (Figure
      4.8).

WaterSurfaceProfile Report

File   Help

Bear Creek
Water Surface Profile Report for SF Bear WO Base

Plan Name: Without
Analysis Year: 2016
Stream Name: S Fork Bear

Station	Invert Stage	0.5		0.2		0.1	
		Q (cfs)	Stage (ft.)	Q (cfs)	Stage (ft.)	Q (cfs)	Stage
0.800	416.50	2790	424.68	4030	426.58	5530	4:
0.820	416.10	2790	424.81	4030	426.70	5530	4:
0.820	416.10	2790	424.87	4030	426.78	5530	4:
0.860	416.00	2790	424.93	4030	426.86	5530	4:
0.920	415.70	2790	425.35	4030	427.36	5530	4:
0.980	415.50	2790	425.86	4030	427.89	5530	4:
1.000	415.40	2790	425.59	4030	427.44	5530	4:
1.010	415.40	2790	425.69	4030	427.51	5530	4:
1.030	415.50	2790	426.43	4030	428.65	5530	4:
1.130	417.00	2790	427.16	4030	429.41	5530	4:
1.190	417.70	2790	427.70	4030	429.86	5530	4:
1.210	418.00	2790	427.64	4030	429.65	5530	4:
1.220	418.00	2790	427.90	4030	429.92	5530	4:
1.240	418.50	2790	428.28	4030	430.32	5530	4:

Figure 4.8 Water Surface Profiles Report Dialog Box

5.   To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6.   When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click
      Close, the **Water Surface Profiles Report** dialog box will close
      (Figure 4.8)**.**

4.9 Assigning an Existing Water Surface Profile Set to a Different Plan, Analysis Year, Stream Combination

You can assign a water surface profile set to another plan, analysis year, and stream combination. There are two ways to accomplish this assignment. The first way is to assign a water surface profile set individually:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. Select a plan, analysis year, and stream (see Figure 4.2, page 4-5) that does not have an assigned water surface profile set.
4. Either click **Use an Existing Profile**, or on the **File** menu, click **Use an Existing Profile**, either way, the **Copy Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (Figure 4.9).
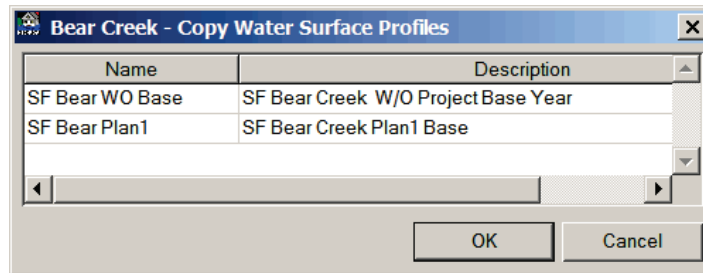
Figure 4.9 Copy Water Surface Profiles Dialog Box

5. Based on the stream selected, FDA uses an automated filtering system that will only provide a list of water surface profiles sets that are available for the selected stream. From the table select the water surface profile set that you want to assign to the selected plan, analysis year, and stream. Click **OK**, the **Copy Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will close.
6. From the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4), click **Save**, this will save the assignment of the water surface profile set to the selected plan, analysis year, and stream.
7. You do not need to change the name of the water surface profile set unless you make some other kind of change that is specific to that plan, analysis year, and stream.

The other way is to assign the water surface profile set to multiple plans and analysis years:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.

2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3. On the **Edit** menu, click **Global Assignment Copy**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will open (Figure 4.10).
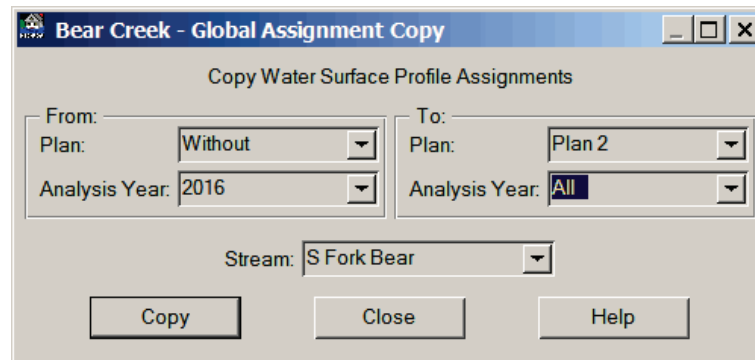
Figure 4.10 Global Assignment Copy Dialog Box

4. The **From** box is where you select the plan and analysis year that includes the water surface profile set you want to assign. The **To** box is the plan and analysis year that you are going to assign the water surface profile set to. In the example (Figure 4.10), the water surface profile set for the *Without* plan and *2016* analysis year, will be assigned to *Plan 2* and both analysis years (*2016* and *2035*). The **All** option allows you to make assignments to all plans and all analysis years (for the example (Figure 4.10) **All** is for years *2016* and *2035*).
5. Once you have made your selections click **Copy** (Figure 4.10), a warning message will appear asking you if this is really what you want to do, click **Yes**, and the warning message closes. Click **Close**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will close (Figure 4.10). The assignments are automatically saved.
6. To verify that the water surface profile set assignments have been made, you need to review the **Water Surface Profile Assignments** report (see Section 4.10).

4.10   List of Water Surface Profile Set Assignments

To check to see if your assignments have been done and are correct, you need to review the assignment report:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2. The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
4. On the **View** menu, click **Water Surface Profile Assignments** the **Water Surface Profiles Assignments** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.11, page 4-13).

Figure 4.11 Water Surface Profiles Assignments Dialog Box

5.   To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6.   When you are finished reviewing the report, from the **File** menu, click **Close,** the **Water Surface Profile Assignments** dialog box will close (Figure 4.11)**.**

4.11   Entering a Water Surface Profile Set Manually

To enter a water surface profile set manually:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Study Water Surface Profiles**.
2.   The **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will open (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4).
3.   For each plan, analysis year, and stream combination a water surface profile set will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, and the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list (see Figure 4.2, page 4-5).
4.   Enter a name (required) in the **Profile** box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
5.   Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
6.   Depending on the type of water surface profile set click the **Discharge-Probability** tab (default) or the **Stage- Probability** tab.
7.   Enter the stream stationing in the **Station** column, these values must increase or be equal from downstream to upstream.

8.   The invert stage is the stage associated with zero discharge or the bottom of the channel and is entered in the **Invert Stage** column.

9.   For each probability with will enter a discharge (**Q**) value and a stage (**Stage**) value for all eight probabilities.

10.   You can enter detailed notes about the water surface profile set. Click **Notes** (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4), the **Notes** dialog will open (see Figure 4.4, page 4-6). When you are finished entering the notes, click **OK**, the **Notes** dialog box will close.

11.   Click **Save** (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4), the water surface profile set is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, and stream.

12.   When you are finished with creating water surface profile sets, on the **File** menu, click **Close,** the **Study Water Surface Profiles** dialog box will close (see Figure 4.1, page 4-4)**.**

4.12   Data Entry Variables for Water Surface Profiles

Plan Name: Defined in the configuration module of FDA.

Analysis Year: Defined in the configuration module of FDA and represents a static time period or year that the hydrologic engineering and economic data must be developed for analyses.

Stream Name: Defined in the configuration module of FDA.

Water Surface Profile Name: Required name for the defined water surface profile set, which is used in the hydrologic engineering and economic analyses. This name will appear on certain reports and plots. A new water surface profile set can be added, copied, updated, or deleted. The maximum length of the name is thirty-two (32) characters.

Water Surface Profile Description: Optional short description of the defined water surface profile set will appear on certain reports and plots. The maximum length of the name is sixty-four (64) characters.

Water Surface Profile Type: There are two types of water surface profiles. **Discharge-Probability** is where the profiles are based on discharge values. The discharge and the associated stage values are required for each station and exceedance probability flood event. **Stage-probability** is where the water surface profiles are based on stage values only. The stage values are required for each station and exceedance probability flood event.

Station: Study adopted stations along the stream normally denoted as miles (kilometers) above the mouth of the stream. Stationing order is

downstream to upstream (downstream station is less than upstream station). Must be consistent between damage reach boundaries, damage reach index location, water surface profiles, and structure location. The range of allowable values is from -999,999.99 to 999,999.99.

Invert Stage: Stage associated with zero discharge or the bottom of a channel. The range of allowable values is from -300.00 to 30,000.00.

Discharge (Q): The volume of water passing a specific point for a given time interval. For example, 2,000 cubic feet per second or 1,000 cubic meters per second. The range of allowable values is from 0 to 9,999,999.

Stage: The vertical distance is feet (meters) above or below a local or national datum (N.G.V.D. for elevations). The range of allowable values is from -300.00 to 30,000.00.

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CPD-2A. HEC, Davis, CA.

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Version 4.1, HEC, Davis, CA.

CHAPTER 5

Exceedance Probability Functions

5.1   General

*An **exceedance probability function** is the relationship between flood magnitude and the probability of exceeding that magnitude; also known as a frequency curve.*

Economics and performance analyses require an exceedance probability function to be defined (assigned) for each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. In order to perform a flood damage analysis that considers flood events of all sizes, a relationship between flood magnitude and the probability of exceeding that magnitude is needed. This relationship is the exceedance probability function, also known as a frequency curve. Flood event magnitude might be defined in terms of discharge (flow) or stage. Exceedance probability functions are edited from the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (Figure 5.1).

Figure 5.1 Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty Dialog Box

The same functions may be used for several reaches, plans, and analysis years but not different streams. You may retrieve a synthetic or graphical exceedance probability function from the water surface profile, enter the

data manually, or copy an existing exceedance probability function. You may also copy the exceedance probabilities from one plan to another plan. An exceedance probability (or frequency) function can be either analytical (discharge-probability) or graphical (discharge- or stage-probability).

5.2   Analytical-Exceedance Probability Method

*An **analytical exceedance probability function** is where a discharge-exceedance probability function can be fitted by a Log Pearson Type III distribution.*

If the discharge-exceedance probability function can be fitted by a Log Pearson Type III distribution, FDA considers this to be an analytical exceedance probability function. Use the graphical exceedance probability method (see Section 5.3) if function does not fit a Log Pearson Type III distribution. Analytical methods often apply for unregulated discharge-probability functions derived from stream gaged data or modeling. There are two methods of defining analytical discharge-probability functions. The default method is to enter the discharges for the .50, .10, and .01 exceedance probability events to compute synthetic statistics. The other method is to enter the Log Pearson Type III statistics which are the mean, standard deviation, skew, and equivalent record length. For analytical methods, the median discharge-exceedance probability functions are used.

For further information refer to ER 1110-2-1450, EM 1110-2-1415, EM 1110-2-1619. Another additional source is a document from the Interagency Advisory Committee on Water Data, "Guidance for Determining Flood Flow Frequency, Bulletin 17B," U.S. Department of Interior, U.S. Geological Survey, Office of Water Data Coordination, Reston, VA.

5.2.1   Compute Synthetic Statistics

Compute synthetic statistics creates an analytical exceedance probability function based on .50, .10, and .01 exceedance probability discharge values (which can be retrieved from the associated water surface profiles) and equivalent record length.

This uses Bulletin 17B procedures assuming a Log Pearson Type II distribution for computing the function with uncertainty by defining the function based on the .50, .10, and .01 exceedance probability discharge values and equivalent record length. You can create an analytical exceedance probability function by retrieving the .50, .10, and .01 exceedance probability values from the assigned water surface profile set for the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach, or you can enter the values manually. To retrieve from the assigned water surface profile set:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination an exceedance probability function will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the

appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the
appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate
damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (Figure 5.2).

Figure 5.2 Assignment Items for Exceedance Probability Functions

4. On the **Edit** menu, click **Synthetic from WSP**, the **Discharge-
    Probability Function - Type Analytical** dialog box will open
    (Figure 5.3).

Figure 5.3 Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical – Compute
    Synthetic Statistics Dialog Box

5. The discharge values for the three (.50, .10, .01) exceedance
    probabilities have been retrieved from the assigned water surface
    profile set.
6. You must enter an equivalent record length in the **Equivalent
    Record Length (N)** box.
7. Click **Save**, the **Discharge-Probability Function - Type
    Analytical** dialog box (Figure 5.3) will close and FDA will
    compute the analytical exceedance probability function with
    uncertainty, which will display in the table on the **Exceedance
    Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure
    5.1, page 5-1).
8. Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 5.1, page
    5-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
9. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description**
    box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is sixty-four
    (64) characters.

10. Click **Save**, the exceedance probability function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

11. When you are finished with creating exceedance probability functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

To enter an analytical exceedance probability function using synthetic statistics manually:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

3. For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination an exceedance probability function will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3).

4. Click **Analytical**, the **Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.3, page 5-3).

5. Click **Compute Synthetic Statistics** (see Figure 5.3, page 5-3); this option should be selected by default.

6. You will need to enter the discharge values for the three (.50, .10, .01) exceedance probabilities.

7. You must enter an equivalent record length in the **Equivalent Record Length (N)** box (see Figure 5.3, page 5-3).

8. Click **Save**, the **Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical** dialog box (see Figure 5.3, page 5-3) will close and FDA will compute the analytical exceedance probability function with uncertainty, which will display in the table on the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

9. Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

10. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

11. Click **Save**, the exceedance probability function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

12. When you are finished with creating exceedance probability functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance**

Probability Functions with Uncertainty dialog box will close (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

5.2.2   Log Pearson Type III

This uses Bulletin 17B procedures for computing the function and uncertainty (confidence limits) from the mean, standard deviation, skew, and equivalent record length. To enter an analytical exceedance probability function using Log Pearson Type III:

> *The **Log Pearson Type III** option allows you to enter the mean, standard deviation, skew, and equivalent record length to create the analytical exceedance probability function.*

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination an exceedance probability function will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3).
4. Click **Analytical**, the **Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.3, page 5-3).
5. Click **Enter Log Pearson Type III Statistics**, the appearance of the **Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical** dialog box will change (Figure 5.4).

Figure 5.4 Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical - Log Pearson Type III Dialog Box

6.   You will need to enter the mean (**Mean (M)** box), the standard deviation (**Standard Deviation (S)** box), the skew (**Skew (G)** box), and an equivalent record length (**Equivalent Record Length (N)** box).

7.   Click **Save**, the **Discharge-Probability Function - Type Analytical** dialog box (see Figure 5.4, page 5-5) will close and FDA will compute the analytical exceedance probability function with uncertainty, which will display in the table on the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1)

8.   Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

9.   Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

10.   Click **Save**, the exceedance probability function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

11.   When you are finished with creating exceedance probability functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

5.3   Graphical Exceedance Probability Method

*A **graphical exceedance probability function** is defined is by specifying the discharge- or stage-probability ordinates and the equivalent record length. The computation in FDA to create the graphical exceedance probability function is termed order statistics.*

If the function does not fit the Log Pearson Type III distribution, the graphical probability function approach should be used. The graphical approach is typically applicable for regulated flows and stage-exceedance probabilities (often storage based or HEC-RAS (USACE 2010a) unsteady flow modeling results) for which an analytical probability distribution such as Log Pearson Type III or Log Normal is unsuited. The graphical probability function is defined by ordered pairs of exceedance probability versus flow or stage. The uncertainty in the graphical probability function is based on Equivalent Record Length, and is defined by an approximation of the order statistics approach termed "Less Simple".   For more details on the Order Statistics method, see ETL 1110-2-537. Details on the "Less Simple" approximation can be found in ETL 1110-2-537 (see Equation 5); and in Appendix G of this manual, Section G.3.4 will provide further details. Figure 5.5 (page 5-7) shows the **Probability Function - Type Graphical** dialog box, which is where the user will enter the graphical exceedance probability function.

A graphical probability function (discharge- or stage-probability) is defined by specifying the discharge- or stage-probability ordinates and the equivalent record length that describes the known function. Once specified, ordered values are interpolated from the function based on the Equivalent Record Length and error limit curves determined using the

Figure 5.5 Probability Function - Type Graphical Dialog Box

"Less Simple" approximation to the Order Statistics method. The distribution of errors is assumed to be normal about the specified function. You may plot or tabulate the function and error limit curves.

When entering data to define graphical exceedance-probability functions, a number of data points should be used to describe the full range of the function. The uncertainty of these functions is computed using an approximation to the Order Statistics method called the "Less Simple" method. The method determines standard errors of points (estimates) along the curve from the relationship of each of the estimates to adjacent points. The number and distribution of the points affect the uncertainty computation results.

5.3.1 Creating a Graphical-Exceedance Probability Function

You can create a graphical exceedance probability function by retrieving the discharge-exceedance-probability data points from the water surface profile set for the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach, or you can enter the values manually. To retrieve from the assigned water surface profile set:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3.   For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination an exceedance probability function will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3).
4.   On the **Edit** menu, click **Graphical from WSP**, the **Probability Function - Type Graphical** dialog box will open (Figure 5.6).

Figure 5.6 Probability Function Dialog Box - Graphical from WSP

5.   The discharge-exceedance-probability data points have been retrieved from the assigned water surface profile set. Note that this is for eight probability events. The statistics, including the uncertainty of the graphical exceedance-probability function, are influenced by the entire sample. Consequently the entire range of the function should be defined including an annual return 1-year event (0.999) estimated value.

6.   You need to add an additional point at the 0.999 (1-year) event.
      Select **Row 1** (highlighted in blue), click **Insert Row** (Figure 5.6);
      Row 1 will now be a blank row. In the **Exceedance Probability**
      column, enter 0.999, and in the **Discharge** column type the
      discharge value for the 1-year event.

7.   You must enter an equivalent record length in the **Equivalent
      Record Length (N)** box (see Figure 5.6, page 5-8).

8.   Click **Save**, the **Probability Function - Type Graphical** dialog
      box (see Figure 5.6, page 5-8) will close and FDA will compute the
      graphical exceedance probability function with uncertainty, which
      will display in the table on the **Exceedance Probability Functions
      with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

9.   Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 5.1, page
      5-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

10.   Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description**
      box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is sixty-four
      (64) characters.

11.   Click **Save**, the exceedance probability function is added, and
      assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage
      reach.

12.   When you are finished with creating exceedance probability
      functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance
      Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see
      Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

To enter a graphical exceedance probability function manually:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure
      2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance
      Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.

2.   The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog
      box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

3.   For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination
      an exceedance probability function will be assigned, therefore, you
      need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the
      appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the
      appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate
      damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 5.2, page
      5-3).

4.   Click **Graphical**, the **Probability Function - Type Graphical**
      dialog box will open (see Figure 5.6, page 5-8).

5.   The statistics, including the uncertainty of the graphical
      exceedance-probability function, are influenced by the entire
      sample. Consequently the entire range of the function should be
      defined including an annual return 1-year event (0.999) estimated
      value. You will need to enter the discharge-exceedance-probability
      data points in the table.

6. You need to add an additional point at the 0.999 (1-year) event. Select **Row 1** (highlighted in blue), click **Insert Row**. **Row 1** will now be a blank row. In the **Exceedance Probability** column, enter 0.999, and in the **Discharge** column type the discharge value for the 1-year event.

7. You must enter an equivalent record length in the **Equivalent Record Length (N)** box open (see Figure 5.6, page 5-8).

8. Click **Save**, the **Probability Function - Type Graphical** dialog box (see Figure 5.6, page 5-8) will close and FDA will compute the graphical exceedance probability function with uncertainty, which will display in the table on the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

9. Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

10. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

11. Click **Save**, the exceedance probability function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

12. When you are finished with creating exceedance probability functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

5.3.2 Eight Data Points versus Nine Data Points

A graphical exceedance-probability function can be defined by retrieving the discharge-exceedance-probability data points from the water surface profile data for the eight events and then adding an additional point at the 0.999 (1-year) event. Figures 5.7 and 5.8 (page 5-11) display the results for the exceedance probability function defined entirely by the water surface profile data only.

Note from the plot on Figure 5.8 (page 5-11) that the program does not extrapolate beyond the limits of the data at the lower end of the curve, in this case below the 0.5 exceedance or the 2-year event. Note also, from Figure 5.7 (page 5-11) the range of values for the 0.01 exceedance probability event between plus and minus two standard errors is *3,268* to *11,755 cfs*.

Unlike previous versions of HEC-FDA, the uncertainty of the graphical exceedance-probability function, at any ordinate is **not** influenced by the entire function, but only by the local slope of the function at that ordinate.

Figure 5.7 Exceedance Probability Function Report - Graphical - From Water Surface Profiles - Eight Data Points

The report table shown contains:

BearWS5S Workshop Solution
Discharge-Probability Function Report for SF-8 WO Base Yr
(Graphical)

Plan Name: Without
Analysis Year: 1999
Stream Name: S Fork Bear
Damage Reach Name: SF-8

Exceedance Probability	Discharge (cfs)	Confidence Limit Curves (standard error) Discharge (cfs)			
		-2 SD	-1 SD	+1 SD	+2 SD
0.9990	1,478.16	1,475.20	1,476.68	1,479.64	1,481.12
0.9900	1,480.83	1,477.87	1,479.35	1,482.32	1,483.80
0.9500	1,483.22	1,480.66	1,481.94	1,484.50	1,485.78
0.9000	1,484.50	1,482.87	1,483.68	1,485.31	1,486.12
0.8000	1,486.04	1,484.51	1,485.27	1,486.81	1,487.58
0.7000	1,487.16	1,485.79	1,486.47	1,487.84	1,488.52
0.5000	1,489.00	1,487.49	1,488.24	1,511.89	1,535.14
0.3000	1,848.03	1,579.62	1,708.56	1,998.88	2,162.05
0.2000	2,106.00	1,722.47	1,904.61	2,414.82	2,768.93
0.1000	3,119.00	2,145.67	2,586.96	3,760.47	4,533.86
0.0400	4,183.00	2,760.27	3,397.97	5,211.83	6,493.71
0.0200	5,036.00	3,131.27	3,971.03	6,764.67	9,086.73
0.0100	6,198.00	3,268.11	4,500.64	8,535.50	11,754.57
0.0040	7,001.00	3,691.52	5,083.73	9,641.34	13,277.46
0.0020	9,610.00	5,067.20	6,978.24	13,234.31	18,225.47
0.0010	12,934.77	6,820.30	9,392.50	17,812.97	24,530.92

Figure 5.8   Exceedance Probability Function Plot - Graphical - From Water Surface Profiles - Eight Data Points

However, the entire range of the function should be defined including an annual return 1-year event (0.999) estimated value to capture damage for the entire range of expected discharge and stage.

Figures 5.9 and 5.10 (page 5-13) display the graphical exceedance-probability function and error limit values after adding an additional discharge of *900 cfs* for the 0.999 or 1-year event to help define the lower end of the function.

Exceedance Probability	Discharge (cfs)	Confidence Limit Curves (standard error) Discharge (cfs)			
		-2 SD	-1 SD	+1 SD	+2 SD
0.9990	900	784	840	964	1033
0.9900	1019	888	951	1092	1170
0.9500	1139	1011	1073	1209	1283
0.9000	1208	1120	1164	1255	1303
0.8000	1298	1209	1253	1345	1394
0.7000	1367	1283	1324	1411	1457
0.5000	1489	1378	1432	1548	1609
0.3000	1848	1580	1709	1999	2162
0.2000	2106	1722	1905	2415	2769
0.1000	3119	2146	2587	3760	4534
0.0400	4183	2760	3398	5212	6494
0.0200	5036	3131	3971	6765	9087
0.0100	6198	3268	4501	8536	11755
0.0040	7001	3692	5084	9641	13277
0.0020	9610	5067	6978	13234	18225
0.0010	12935	6820	9393	17813	24531

Figure 5.9   Exceedance Probability Function Report - Graphical - Nine Data Points

Note the range of values for the 0.01 exceedance probability event between plus and minus two standard errors is the same as before (*3,268 to 11,755) cfs*. The example shows that adding an additional point on the frequency curve at the lower end does not change the computed uncertainty at the upper end. This was not the case in previous versions of HEC-FDA where adding a point affected the confidence limits about the upper end of the curve. This is because the program calculates the standard error about the curve based on the local slope of the curve rather than the slope of the entire curve.

FDA **does** extrapolate beyond the least frequent event entered if that event is more frequent than the 0.0001 exceedance probability (10,000-year) event. However, it is important to provide data to the 0.002 or greater event to ensure as much accuracy as possible.
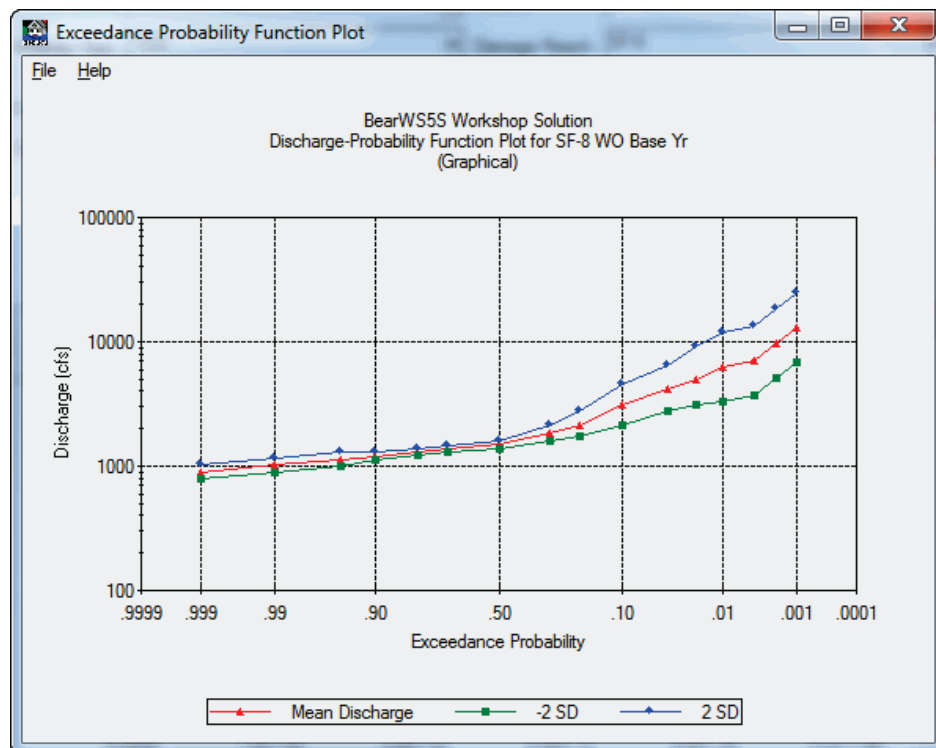
Figure 5.10   Exceedance Probability Function Plot - Graphical - Nine Data Points

Note: It is recommended that graphical frequency functions be defined between the 1- and 0.001-exceedance probability events.

5.3.3   Transform Flow Relationship

A transform flow relationship may be used to define a relationship between unregulated and regulated flow, inflow and outflow, or another relationship to transform the flow defined by the discharge- or stage-probability function.

A **transform flow relationship** may be used to define a relationship between unregulated and regulated flow, inflow and outflow, or another relationship to transform the flow defined by the discharge-probability function. This transform flow relationship could be the result of reservoir or channel routing, channel diversion, etc. Although a graphical curve could represent a regulated probability function, it is better to first derive an unregulated curve and use the transform flow function to convert the unregulated into a regulated curve. It specifically allows for the isolation of the uncertainty related to the transforming mechanism, while maintaining the uncertainty of the discharge-probability function. It also often allows use of the Log Pearson Type III distribution to define the unregulated flow probability function. The relationship is entered as x-y paired data. Uncertainty of the dependent variable (regulated flow) is also defined. The distribution type and the distribution parameters are entered for each point on the flow transform function.

A transform flow function may describe the unregulated inflow into a reservoir and the regulated outflow via routing, and outlet works and/or

spillway releases. The uncertainty of this function could be derived from a sensitivity analysis of the reservoir routing, varying such parameters as the outlet works and spillway ratings, outlet works operation, shape of the inflow hydrograph, assumed initial release time, political influences, safety issues, etc. Given the variety of parameters that have an impact on the outflow, one might conclude that the uncertainty distribution for this situation is asymmetric and diminishes in probability at the extremes. The triangular distribution of uncertainty, therefore, may be the most appropriate descriptor of this function.

A transform flow function can be entered for either an analytical (if your analytical exceedance probability function is based on synthetic statistics the transform flow option will not be available) or a graphical discharge-exceedance probability function:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3.   For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination an exceedance probability function will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3).
4.   Click **Analytical** or **Graphical**, the dialog box associated with the exceedance probability function will open. If your analytical exceedance probability function is based on synthetic statistics the transform flow option will not be available.
5.   Click **Transform Flow (Reg vs. Unreg)**, the **Transform Flow (Regulated vs. Unregulated)** dialog box will open (Figure 5.11).
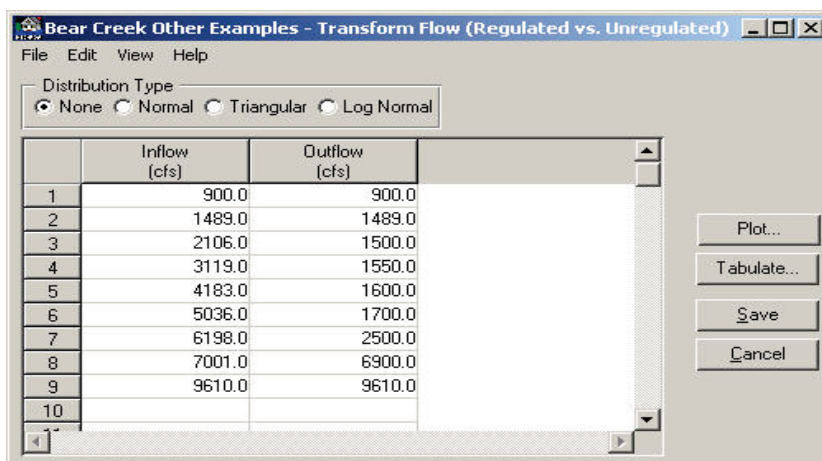
Figure 5.11 Transform Flow Dialog Box

6. If there is uncertainty associated with the function, select a distribution type from the **Distribution Type** box. When you select a distribution type the table will expand. Figure 5.12 shows the table for a triangular distribution.

Figure 5.12 Transform Flow Dialog Box - Triangular Distribution

7. Click **Save**, the **Transform Flow (Regulated vs. Unregulated)** dialog box (see Figure 5.11, page 5-14) will close, and returns you to the analytical or graphical dialog box.
8. From either the analytical or graphical dialog box click **Save**, that dialog box will close, and return you to the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
9. Click **Save**, the transform flow relationship for selected exceedance probability function is saved.
10. When you are finished with creating exceedance probability functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

5.4   Delete an Exceedance Probability Function

Since exceedance probability functions are assigned to a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach, you are deleting the assignment of that particular exceedance probability function to a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Any exceedance probability function that is assigned to only one plan, analysis year, stream, damage reach, and then deleted, will be removed from the study. To delete an exceedance probability function:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach; this will give you the exceedance probability function you wish to delete (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3).
4. On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Assignment**, a warning message will appear asking you if you really wish to delete this exceedance probability function assignment. Click **Yes**, the exceedance probability function is no longer assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.
5. When you are finished, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

5.5   List of Exceedance Probability Functions

To review the exceedance probability functions you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. On the **View** menu, click **List of Exceedance Probability Functions**, the **List of Exceedance Probability Functions** dialog box will open (Figure 5.13).

Figure 5.13 List of Exceedance Probability Functions Dialog Box

4. This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5. When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Exceedance Probability Functions** dialog box will close (Figure 5.13).

5.6   Exceedance Probability Function Plot

To view an exceedance probability function graphically:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3); this will give you the exceedance probability function you wish to view graphically.
4. On the **View** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Function Plot**, the **Exceedance Probability Function Plot** dialog box will open (Figure 5.14).
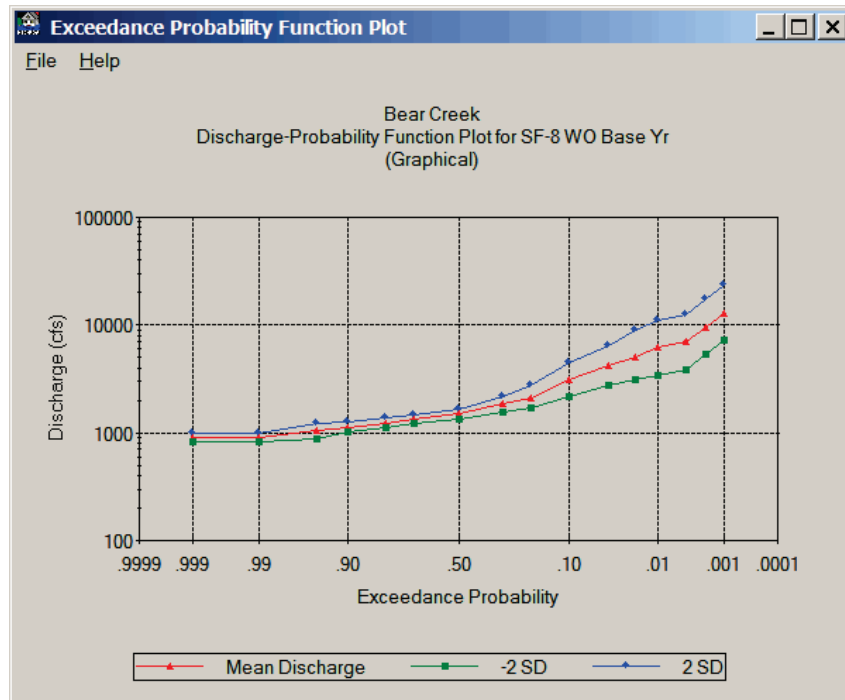
Figure 5.14   Exceedance Probability Function Plot Dialog Box

5. When you are finished reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Function Plot** dialog box will close (Figure 5.14).

5.7   Exceedance Probability Function Report

To view an exceedance probability function in a report:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 5.2, page 5-3); this will give you the exceedance probability function you wish to view in a report.
4. On the **View** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Function Report**, the **Exceedance Probability Function Report** dialog box will open (Figure 5.15).
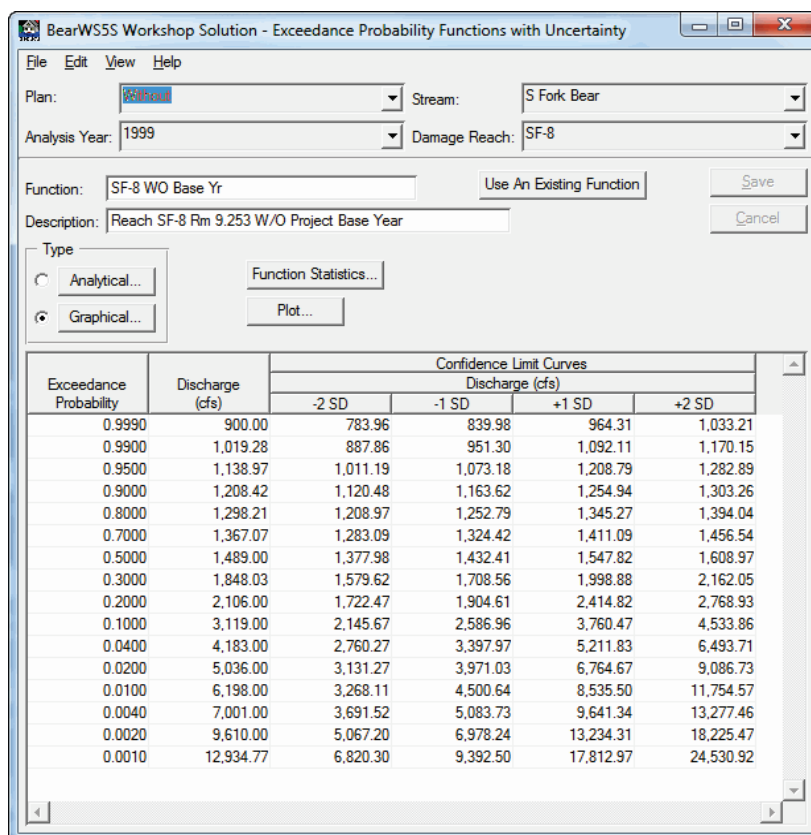
Figure 5.15 Exceedance Probability Function Report Dialog Box

5. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Function Report** dialog box will close.

5.8 Assigning an Existing Exceedance Probability Function to a Different Plan, Analysis Year, Stream, Damage Reach Combination

You can assign an exceedance probability function to another plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination. There are two ways to accomplish this assignment. The first way is to assign an exceedance probability function individually:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. Select a plan, analysis year, and stream that does not have an assigned exceedance probability function.
4. Either click **Use an Existing Function**, or from the **File** menu, click **Use an Existing Function**, either way, the **Copy Exceedance Probability Function** dialog box will open (Figure 5.16).
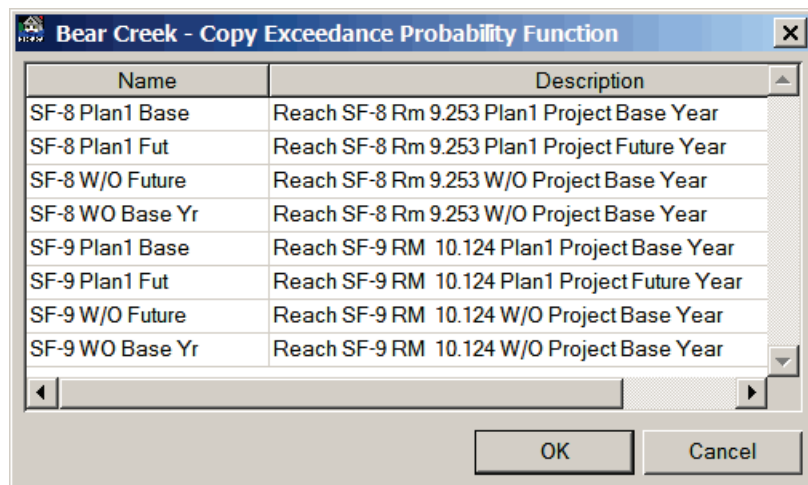
Figure 5.16 Copy Exceedance Probability Function Dialog Box

5. Based on the stream selected, FDA uses an automated filtering system that will only provide a list of exceedance probability functions that are available for the selected stream. From the table select the exceedance probability function that you want to assign to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Click **OK**, the **Copy Exceedance Probability function** dialog box will close.
6. From the **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1) click **Save**, this will save the assignment of the exceedance probability function to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.
7. You do not need to change the name of the exceedance probability function unless you make some other kind of change that is specifically for that plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

The other way is to assign an exceedance probability function to multiple plans and analysis years:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).
3. On the **Edit** menu, click **Global Assignment Copy**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will open (Figure 5.17).
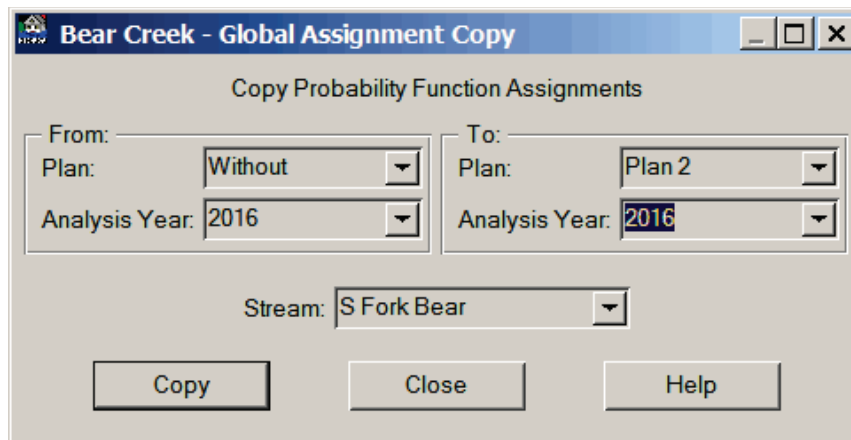
Figure 5.17 Global Assignment Copy Dialog Box

4. The **From** box is where you select the plan and analysis year that includes the exceedance probability function you want to assign. The **To** box is the plan and analysis year that you are going to assign the exceedance probability function to. In the example (Figure 5.17), the exceedance probability function for the *Without* plan and *2016* analysis year, will be assigned to *Plan 2* and analysis year *2016*. There is also an **All** options which allows you to make assignments to all plans and all analysis years.
5. Once you have made your selections click **Copy**, a warning message will appear asking you if this is really what you want to do, click **Yes**, the warning message closes. Click **Close**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box (Figure 5.17) will close. The assignments are automatically saved.
6. To verify that the exceedance probability function assignments have been made, you need to review the **Exceedance Probability Function Assignments** report (see Section 5.9).

5.9   List of Exceedance Probability Function Assignments

To check to see if your assignments have been done and are correct, you need to review the assignment report:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Exceedance Probability Functions with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 5.1, page 5-1).

3. On the **View** menu, click **Exceedance Probability Function Assignments,** the **Exceedance Probability Function Assignments** dialog box will open (Figure 5.18).

Figure 5.18 Exceedance Probability Function Assignments Dialog Box

4. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Function Assignments** dialog box will close.

5.10 Data Entry Variables for Exceedance Probability Functions

Plan Name: Select a previously defined plan name.

Stream Name: Select a previously defined stream name.

Analysis Year: Select a previously defined analysis year.

Damage Reach: Select a previously defined damage reach.

Probability Function Name: Required name for the defined probability function, which is used for subsequent data entry pick lists, and labeling reports and plots. A new probability function can be added to the database. An existing probability function can be copied, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

Probability Function Description: Optional description of the defined probability function, maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

Probability Function Statistics: Reports the statistics entered or computed for a probability function. For the Log Pearson Type III distribution, the statistical parameters are mean (first moment), standard deviation (second moment), skew (third moment), and equivalent record length. For synthetic or parameter fitting (Compute Synthetic Statistics), the computed statistical parameters are mean, standard deviation, skew, and equivalent record length. Also, the discharge is computed. The statistic reported for a non-analytical probability function is the equivalent record length.

Analytical Discharge-Probability Function: A discharge-probability function that is fit with an analytical (statistical) distribution. The distribution is defined by statistics which are the mean, standard deviation, and skew for the Log Pearson Type III distribution, and the equivalent record length. The function is developed by site-specific, hydrologic engineering analysis procedures. A "synthetic" approach defined by discharges associated with the 0.50, 0.10, and 0.01 probability events that fit the Log Pearson Type III distribution through the three points, may also be used.

Graphical Discharge- or Stage-Probability Function: A graphical probability function (discharge- or stage-probability) is a non-analytical function that is drawn graphically by an eye-fit curve. This means that the function is not fitted by an analytical distribution. For HEC-FDA, graphical functions should use Weibull's plotting positions (not median) because the normal distribution is used in the order statistics approach to define the error bands.

Exceedance Probability Event: The probability that a specific event will be exceeded in any given year. For example, the 0.01 exceedance probability event has a 0.01 probability of occurring in any given year.

Confidence Limit Curves: Error limit curves about an analytical discharge-probability function developed using the non-central t distribution. Error limit curves about a graphical discharge-probability or stage-probability functions using a normal distribution. Confidence limit curves are used to define the discharge-probability or stage-probability function's uncertainty.

Stage: The vertical distance in feet (meters) above or below a local or national datum (N.G.V.D. for elevations).

Discharge (Q): The volume of water passing a specific point for a given time interval. For example, 2,000 cubic feet per second or 1,000 cubic meters per second.

Log Pearson Type III Statistics: A statistical distribution that defines an analytical discharge-probability function. The distribution has statistical

parameters that define the moments of the data about the analytical curve. These statistical parameters are mean (first moment), standard deviation (second moment), and skew (third moment). Also, there is an additional parameter specified, equivalent record length.

Mean: The average value of a set of numbers, such as the annual peak discharges that have occurred over a period of time. The first moment statistic of a Log Pearson Type III distribution, representing the average of the logarithms of peak discharge values.

Compute Synthetic Statistics: Log Pearson Type III statistics are computed based on the discharges associated with the 0.50, 0.10, and 0.01 exceedance probability events of an adopted probability function. The synthetic statistics are based on equations given in Guidelines for Determining Flood Flow Frequency, Bulletin 17B, USGS, September 1981.

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CHAPTER 6

Stage-Discharge Functions

6.1   General

> *A **stage-discharge function** (rating function) is the relationship between the discharge (flow) at a river cross-section and the stage (depth) produced by that discharge.*

A stage-discharge function is the relationship between the discharge (flow) at a river cross-section and the stage (depth) produced by that discharge. This function is needed when the exceedance probability function is defined in terms of discharge, in order to transform the discharge into stage (and subsequently damage) for each probability. From the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (Figure 6.1) you will enter the information for your stage-discharge (rating) functions. The stage-discharge (rating) function with uncertainty is specified for a given plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach in the evaluation of flood damage reduction measures. Stage-discharge functions are required unless a stage-exceedance probability function is used. The same median stage-discharge functions may be used for several plans, analysis years, and damage reaches but not different streams.
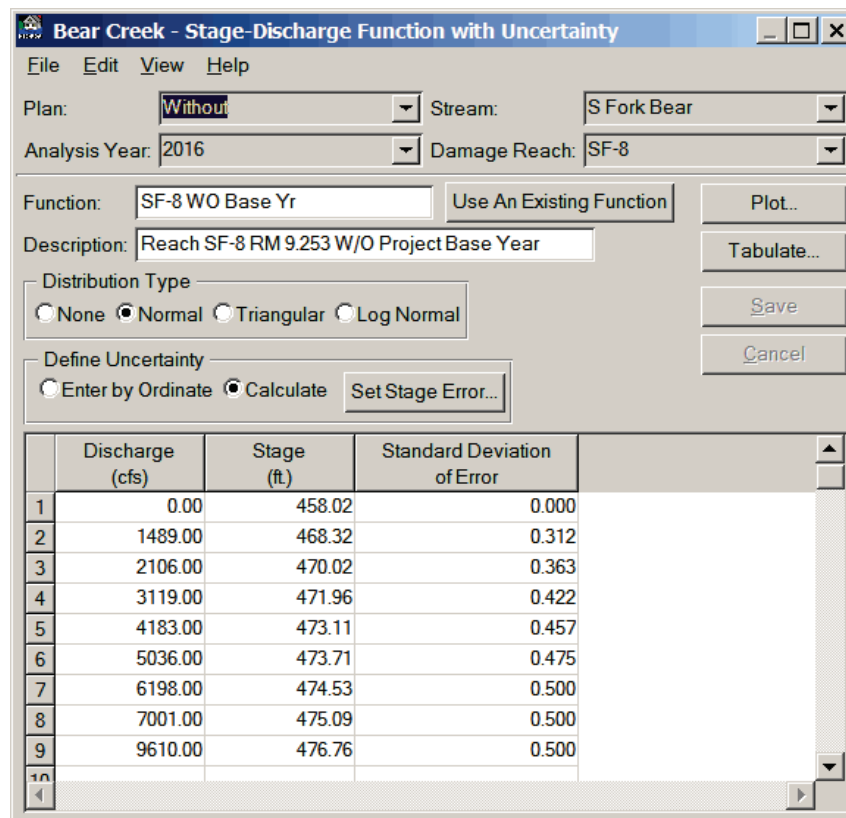
Figure 6.1 Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty Dialog Box

You may specify an uncertainty (probability density function) type as either none (no uncertainty), normal, triangular, or log normal. You may then manually enter the uncertainty by each ordinate or specify "calculate" to define the uncertainty for a specific stage. For this case, the error is proportioned to the invert stage for zero discharge and error. Error values above the specified stage are assumed constant (equal to the error for the specified stage). You may tabulate and plot the stage-discharge uncertainty functions.

The highest stage value must extend beyond the highest stage affected by any flood damage reduction measure. We recommend including an ordinate to the .002 or .001 exceedance probability level. FDA will not extrapolate the rating curve beyond the highest coordinate value that you entered.

6.2   Creating a Stage-Discharge Function

You can create a stage-discharge function based on the water surface profile set for the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach, or you can enter the values manually. To create a stage-discharge function based on the assigned water surface profile set:

1.   From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).
3.   For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination a stage-discharge function will be assigned, therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (Figure 6.2).

Figure 6.2 Assignment Items for Stage-Discharge Functions

4.   On the **Edit** menu (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), click **Retrieve from WSP**, this will automatically create a nine-point stage discharge function at the damage reach index location based on the water surface profile set for the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. The nine ordinates include the invert stage (zero discharge) and the eight stage-discharge values from the water surface profile set.

5. From the **Distribution Type** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), select the uncertainty type if your stage-discharge function has uncertainty.

6. If you have selected an uncertainty from the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), click **Enter by Ordinate** to manually enter the uncertainty for each ordinate of the stage-discharge function.

<p align="center">-or-</p>

From the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), click **Calculate,** the **Set Stage Error for *a distribution type*** dialog box will open (Figure 6.3). Error values above the specified stage are assumed constant (equal to the error for the specified stage), this
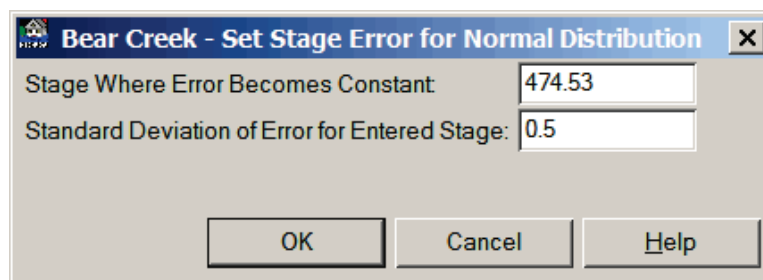
Figure 6.3 Set Stage for *a distribution type* Dialog Box

value is entered in the **Stage Where Error Becomes Constant** box (Figure 6.3). You will define an uncertainty for a specific stage; the error is proportioned to the invert stage for zero discharge and error, this value is entered in the **Standard Deviation of Error for Entered Stage** box (Figure 6.3).

7. Click **OK**, the **Set Stage Error for a *distribution type*** dialog box will close (Figure 6.3) and you will return to the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

8. Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

9. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

10. Click **Save**, the stage-discharge function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

11. When you are finished with creating stage-discharge functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

To enter a stage-discharge function manually:

1. From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

3. For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination a stage-discharge function will be assigned, therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 6.2, page 6-2).

4. Enter the discharge and stage values for your stage-discharge function in the table on the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1). Note it is recommended that you include the invert stage (zero discharge) in your stage-discharge function.

5. From the **Distribution Type** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), select the uncertainty type if your stage-discharge function has uncertainty.

6. If you have selected an uncertainty from the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), click **Enter by Ordinate** to manually enter the uncertainty for each ordinate of the stage-discharge function.

                                -or-

    From the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), click **Calculate,** the **Set Stage Error for *a distribution type*** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.3, page 6-3). Error values above the specified stage are assumed constant (equal to the error for the specified stage), this value is entered in the **Stage Where Error Becomes Constant** box (see Figure 6.3, page 6-3). You will define an uncertainty for a specific stage; the error is proportioned to the invert stage for zero discharge and error, this value is entered in the **Standard Deviation of Error for Entered Stage** box (see Figure 6.3, page 6-3).

7. Click **OK**, the **Set Stage Error for a *distribution type*** dialog box will close (see Figure 6.3, page 6-3) and you will return to the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

8. Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

9. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

10. Click **Save**, the stage-discharge function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

11. When you are finished with creating stage-discharge functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

6.3   Delete a Stage-Discharge Function

Since stage-discharge functions are assigned to a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach you are deleting the assignment of that particular stage-discharge function to a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Any stage-discharge function that is assigned to only one plan, analysis year, stream, damage reach, and then deleted, will be removed from the study. To delete a stage-discharge function:

1.   From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).
3.   Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach; this will give you the stage-discharge function you wish to delete (see Figure 6.2, page 6-2).
4.   On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Assignment**, a warning message will appear asking you if you really wish to delete this stage-discharge function assignment. Click **Yes**, the stage-discharge function is no longer assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.
5.   When you are finished, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

6.4   List of Stage-Discharge Functions

To review the stage-discharge functions you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1.   From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).
3.   On the **View** menu, click **List of Stage-Discharge Functions**, the **List of Stage-Discharge Functions** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.4, page 6-6).
4.   This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Stage-Discharge Functions** dialog box will close (see Figure 6.4, page 6-6).

Figure 6.4 List of Stage-Discharge Functions Dialog Box

6.5   Stage-Discharge Function Plot

To view a stage-discharge function graphically:

1.   From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).
3.   Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 6.2, page 6-2); this will give you the stage-discharge function you wish to view graphically.
4.   On the **View** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function Plot**, the **Stage-Discharge Plot** dialog box will open (Figure 6.5).
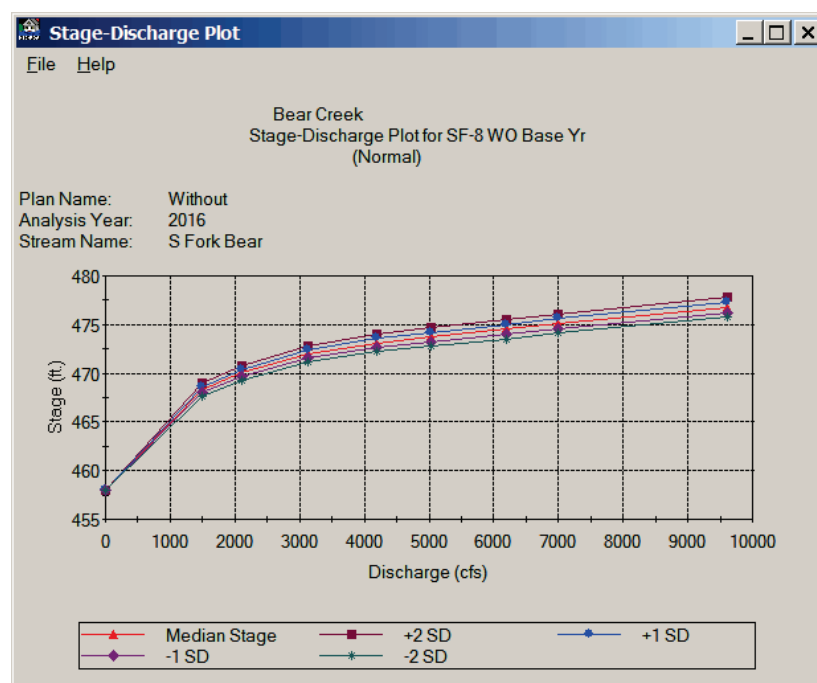
Figure 6.5 Stage-Discharge Plot Dialog Box

5. When you are finished reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Discharge Plot** dialog box will close (see Figure 6.5, page 6-6).

6.6   Stage-Discharge Function Report

To view a stage-discharge function in a report:

1. From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-2).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 6.2, page 6-2); this will give you the stage-discharge function you wish to view in tabular form.
4. On the **View** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function Report**, the **Stage-Discharge Report** dialog box will open (Figure 6.6).

Bear Creek
Stage-Discharge Report for SF-8 WO Base Yr
(Normal)

Plan Name: Without
Analysis Year: 2016
Stream Name: S Fork Bear

Discharge (cfs)	Stage (ft.)	Error Limit Curves Stage (ft.)			
		-2 SD	-1 SD	+1 SD	+2 SD
0.000	458.02	458.02	458.02	458.02	458.02
1489.00	468.32	467.70	468.01	468.63	468.94
2106.00	470.02	469.29	469.66	470.38	470.75
3119.00	471.96	471.12	471.54	472.38	472.80
4183.00	473.11	472.20	472.65	473.57	474.02
5036.00	473.71	472.76	473.23	474.19	474.66
6198.00	474.53	473.53	474.03	475.03	475.53
7001.00	475.09	474.09	474.59	475.59	476.09
9610.00	476.76	475.76	476.26	477.26	477.76

Figure 6.6 Stage-Discharge Report Dialog Box

5. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Discharge Report** dialog box will close (Figure 6.6).

6.7   Assigning an Existing Stage-Discharge Function to a Different Plan, Analysis Year, Stream, Damage Reach Combination

You can assign a stage-discharge function to another plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination. There are two ways to accomplish this assignment. The first way is to assign a stage-discharge function individually:
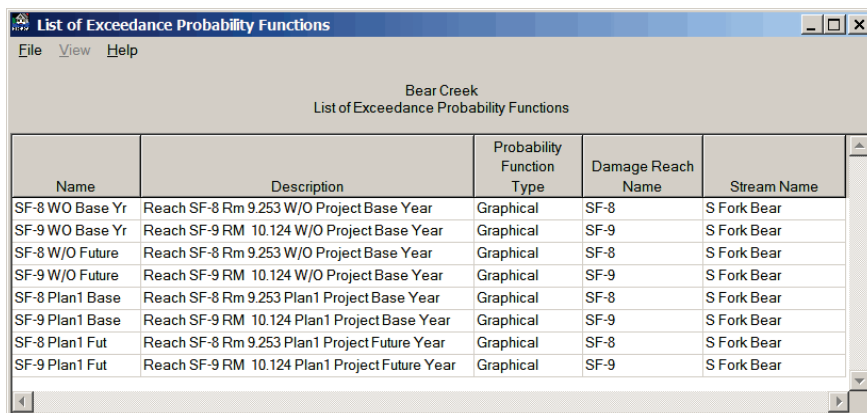
1. From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).

3. Select a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 6.2, page 6-2) that does not have an assigned stage-discharge function.

4. Either click **Use an Existing Function** (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), or from the **File** menu, click **Use an Existing Function**, either way, the **Copy Stage-Discharge Function** dialog box will open (Figure 6.7).
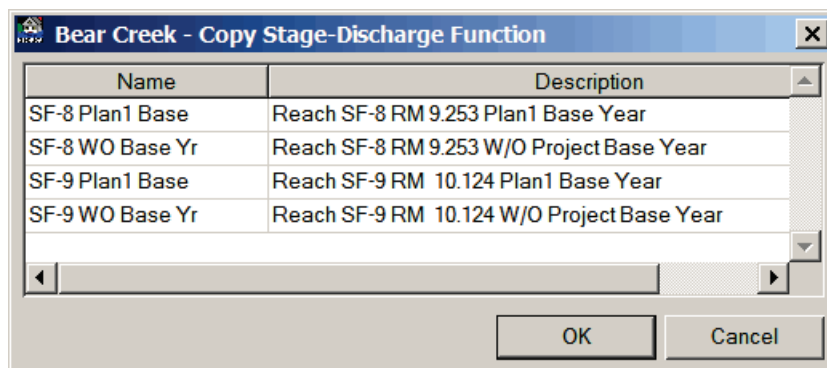
Figure 6.7 Copy Stage-Discharge Function Dialog Box

5. Based on the stream selected, FDA uses an automated filtering system that will only provide a list of stage-discharge functions that are available for the selected stream. From the table select the stage-discharge function that you want to assign to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Click **OK**, the **Copy Stage-Discharge Function** dialog box will close (Figure 6.7).

6. From the **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1) click **Save**, this will save the assignment of the stage-discharge function to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

7. You do not need to change the name of the stage-discharge function unless you make some other kind of change that is specifically for that plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

The other way is to assign a stage-discharge function to multiple plans and analysis years:

1. From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).
3. On the **Edit** menu (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1), click **Global Assignment Copy**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will open (Figure 6.8).
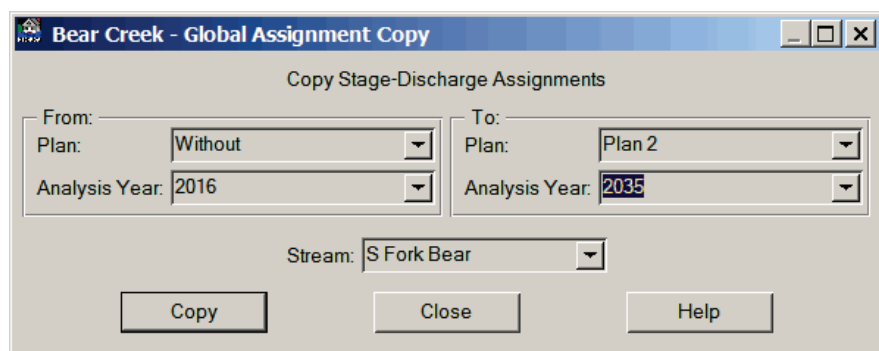
Figure 6.8 Global Assignment Copy Dialog Box

4. The **From** box (Figure 6.8) is where you select the plan and analysis year that includes the stage-discharge function you want to assign. The **To** box is the plan and analysis year that you are going to assign the stage-discharge function to. In the example (Figure 6.8), the stage-discharge function for the *Without* plan and *2009* analysis year, will be assigned to *Plan 2* and analysis year *2035*. There is also an **All** options which allows you to make assignments to all plans and all analysis years.
5. Once you have made your selections click **Copy**, a warning message will appear asking you if this is really what you want to do, click **Yes**, the warning message closes. Click **Close**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will close (Figure 6.8). The assignments are automatically saved.
6. To verify that the stage-discharge function assignments have been made, you need to review the **Stage-Discharge Function Assignments** report (see Section 6.8).

6.8   List of Stage-Discharge Function Assignments

To check to see if your assignments have been done and are correct, you need to review the assignment report:

1. From the FDA main Window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2.2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Discharge Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 6.1, page 6-1).
3. On the **View** menu, click **Stage-Discharge Function Assignments** the **Stage-Discharge Function Assignments** dialog box will open (Figure 6.9).

Figure 6.9 Stage-Discharge Function Assignments Dialog Box

4. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Discharge Function Assignments** dialog box will close (Figure 6.9).

6.9   Data Entry Variables for Stage-Discharge Functions

Plan Name: Select a previously defined plan name.

Stream Name: Select a previously defined stream name.

Analysis Year: Select a previously defined analysis year.

Damage Reach: Select a previously defined damage reach.

Stage-Discharge Function Name: Required name for the defined stage-discharge function, which is used for subsequent data entry pick lists and used on reports and plots. A new stage-discharge function can be added to the database. An existing stage-discharge function can be copied, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is 16 characters.

Stage-Discharge Function Description: Optional description of the defined stage-discharge function, up to 64 characters.

Normal Distribution: A two-parameter probability distribution defined by the mean and standard deviation. A symmetrical "bell shaped" curve applicable to many kinds of data sets where values are equally likely to be greater than or less than the mean. Also called a Gaussian distribution. The distribution is truncated at three standard deviations.

Triangular Distribution: A three-parameter bounded probability distribution defined by the minimum, most likely (mode), and maximum.

Log Normal Distribution: A two-parameter probability distribution defined by the mean and standard deviation. A non-symmetrical distribution applicable to many kinds of data sets where the majority (more than half) of values are less than the mean but values greater than the mean can be extreme, such as with stream flow data. The distribution is truncated at three standard deviations.

Discharge (Q): The volume of water passing a specific point for a given time interval. For example, 2,000 cubic feet per second or 1,000 cubic meters per second.

Stage: The vertical distance in feet (meters) above or below a local or national datum (N.V.G.D. for elevations).

CHAPTER 7

Levee Features

7.1   General

Levee Features, is where you can specify levee size and failure characteristics, interior versus exterior stage relationships associated with the levee (Wave Overtopping in not functional.

Under **Levee Features**, you specify levee size and failure characteristics and interior versus exterior stage relationships associated with the levee. The levee, floodwall, or tidal barrier characteristics are entered and other relationships are defined depending on whether the levee is subject to geotechnical failure.

As can be seen on the **Levee Features** dialog box (Figure 7.1), other data that describe the characteristics of levees and floodwalls and how they affect flooding can be specified.
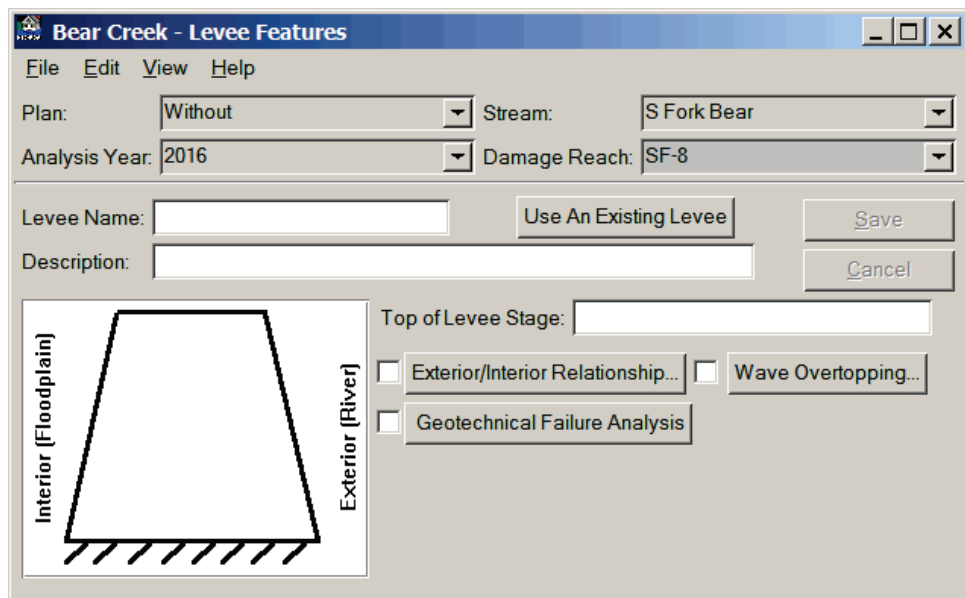
Figure 7.1 Levee Features Dialog Box

7.2   Creating a Levee

A levee or floodwall is defined by selecting the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream and damage reach in the **Levee Features** dialog box (Figure 7.1). The stage of the top of the levee or floodwall at the damage reach index location is entered in the **Top of Levee Stage** box (Figure 7.1). To create a levee:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.
2. The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).
3. For each plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination a levee will be assigned; therefore, you need to a select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (Figure 7.2).

Figure 7.2 Assignment Items for Levees

4. Enter a name (required) in the **Levee Name** box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
5. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
6. Enter the top of the levee (required) or floodwall in the **Top of Levee Stage** box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).
7. If there is a relationship between the exterior and interior water surface stage at a levee, click **Exterior/Interior Relationship** (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1) to define this relationship (see Section 7.2.1).
8. Another relationship, water surface stage on the river or exterior side of the levee versus the probability of levee failure, can be specified by clicking **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** (see Section 7.2.2, page 7-5).
9. From the **Levee Features** dialog box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1), click **Save**, the levee is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.
10. When you are finished with creating levees, from the **Levee Features** dialog box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1), on the **File** menu, click **Close**.

7.2.1   Exterior-Interior Relationship

The exterior-interior relationship feature defines a relationship between the water surface stage on the river or exterior side of the levee versus the stage in the floodplain or interior side of the levee. This relationship is necessary if the stage in the interior will not reach the same stage that is overtopping the levee. This may be due to floods that result in stages near the top of the levee overtopping as designed in a safe, controlled manner, or a flood hydrograph volume not sufficient to fill the floodplain to the stage equal to the top of the levee. In either case, the relationship must be

*A relationship between the water surface stage on the river or exterior side of the levee versus the stage in the floodplain or interior side of the levee, is an **exterior-interior relationship.***

developed from hydrologic or hydraulic analyses external to the FDA program. If the relationship is not specified, the assumption is that the floodplain fills to the stage in the river (represented by the exterior stage-discharge function for the reach) for all events that result in stages that cause levee failure or are above the top of levee.

To enter an exterior/interior relationship:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.
2. The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1) click **Exterior/Interior Relationship**.
3. The **Exterior/Interior Relationship** dialog box will open (Figure 7.3).
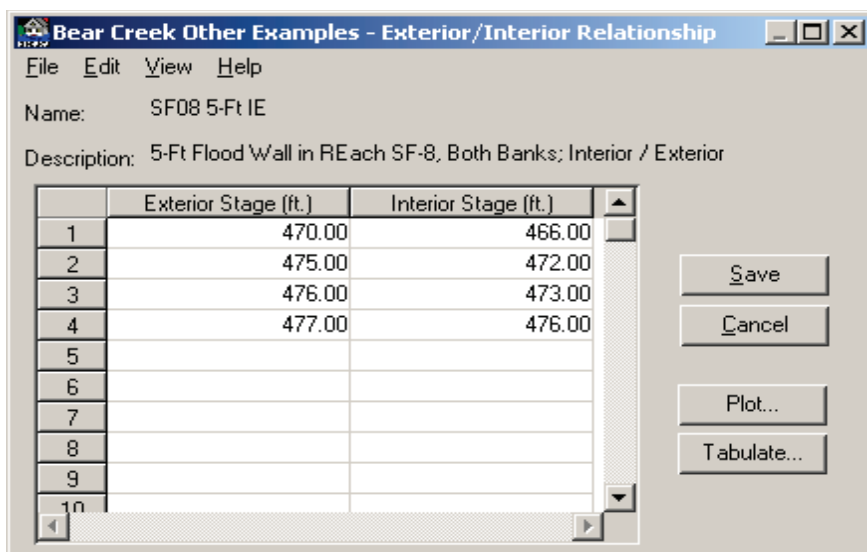
Figure 7.3 Exterior/Interior Relationship Dialog Box

4. To define the exterior/interior relationship, enter the exterior side of the levee (water surface stage on the river) versus the interior side of the levee (the stage in the floodplain).
5. Once you are finished entering the relationship, click **Save,** the **Exterior/Interior Relationship** dialog box (Figure 7.3) will close. This saves the relationship for the levee, but you must click **Save** from the **Levee Features** dialog box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1) to save the entire levee definition.

Exterior-Interior Relationship Plot

To view an exterior-interior relationship graphically:

1. From the **Exterior/Interior Relationship** dialog box (Figure 7.3), click **Plot**, or on the **View** menu, click **Exterior/Interior Plot**.

2.   The **Exterior/Interior Relationship Plot** dialog box will open (Figure 7.4).
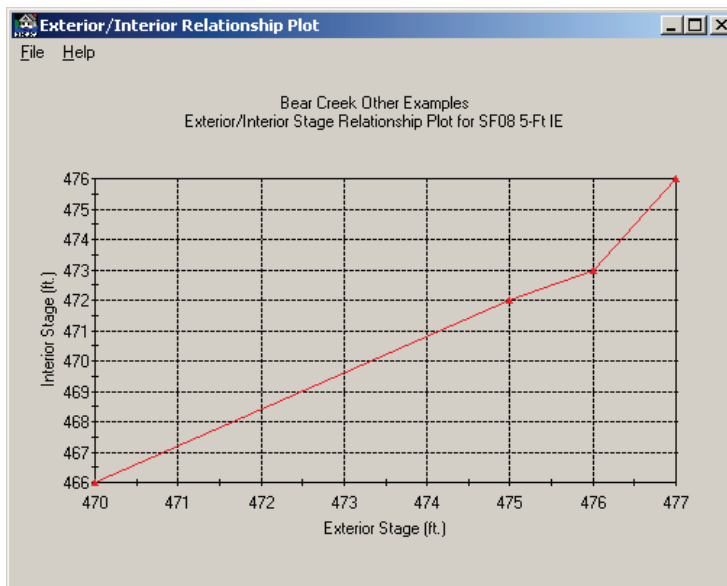
Figure 7.4 Exterior/Interior Relationship Plot Dialog Box

3.   When you are finished reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, this will return you to the **Exterior/Interior Relationship** dialog box (see Figure 7.3, page 7-3).

Exterior-Interior Relationship Report

To view an exterior-interior relationship report:

1.   From the **Exterior/Interior Relationship** dialog box (see Figure 7.3, page 7-3), click **Tabulate**, or on the **View** menu, click **Exterior/Interior Report**.

2.   The **Exterior/Interior Relationship Report** dialog box will open (Figure 7.5).

Figure 7.5 Exterior/Interior Relationship Report Dialog Box

3. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, this will return you to the **Exterior/Interior Relationship** dialog box (see Figure 7.3, page 7-3).

7.2.2 Geotechnical Failure Analysis

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Geotechnical failure analysis is the relationship between water surface stage on the river or exterior side of the levee versus the probability of levee failure. This feature is used anytime the structural integrity of the levee is in doubt, i.e., anytime the levee could fail prior to being overtopped.

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A relationship between water surface stage on the river or exterior side of the levee versus the probability of levee failure may be specified. This feature is used anytime the structural integrity of the levee is in doubt, i.e., anytime the levee could fail prior to being overtopped. This is especially the case for existing non-federal levees or older levees that may have deteriorated and can no longer be assumed to hold water to the stage initially intended. However, without the benefit of some sort of geotechnical analysis, no levee should be assumed to be competent to the top of levee. The geotechnical failure relationships are developed from geotechnical analysis according to existing geotechnical guidance. The geotechnical failure relationship is a combined probability of levee failure relationship and includes failure modes such as under seepage, slope stability, through seepage, surface erosion, etc. At this time, uncertainty about the geotechnical failure relationship is not available.

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To enter geotechnical failure:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.
2. The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1) click **Geotechnical Failure Analysis**.
3. The **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** dialog box will open (Figure 7.6).
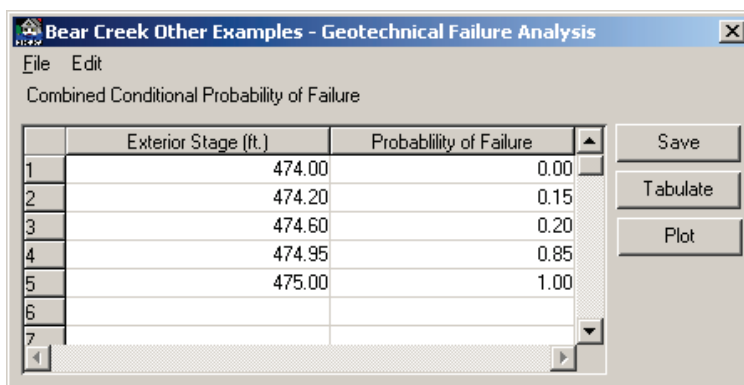
Figure 7.6 Geotechnical Failure Analysis Dialog Box

4. To define the geotechnical failure relationship enter the exterior side of the levee (water surface stage on the river) versus the probability of levee failure.
5. Once you are finished entering the relationship, click **Save,** the **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** dialog box will close (Figure 7.6).

This saves the relationship for the levee, but you must click **Save** from the **Levee Features** dialog box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1) to save the entire levee definition.

Geotechnical Failure Analysis Plot

To view the geotechnical failure analysis graphically:

1. From the **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 7.6, page 7-5), click **Plot**.

2. The **Geotechnical Failure Analysis Plot** dialog box will open (Figure 7.7).

3. When you are finished reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, this will return you to the **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 7.6, page 7-5).
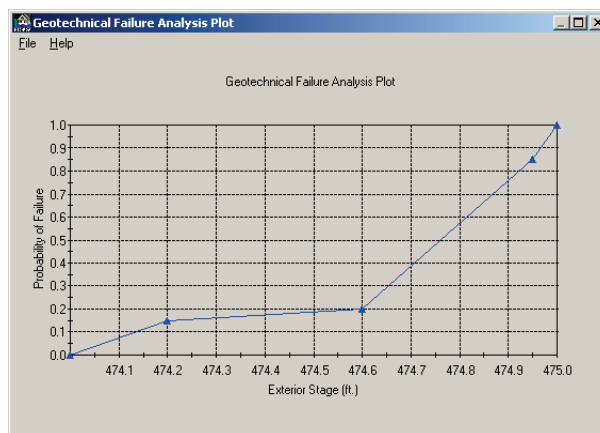
Figure 7.7 Geotechnical Failure Analysis Plot Dialog Box

Geotechnical Failure Analysis Report

To view a geotechnical failure analysis report:

1. From the **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 7.6, page 7-5), click **Tabulate**.

2. The **Geotechnical Failure Analysis Report** dialog box will open (Figure 7.8).

3. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, this will return you to the **Geotechnical Failure Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 7.6, page 7-5).

Figure 7.8 Geotechnical Failure Analysis Report Dialog Box

7.3   Delete a Levee
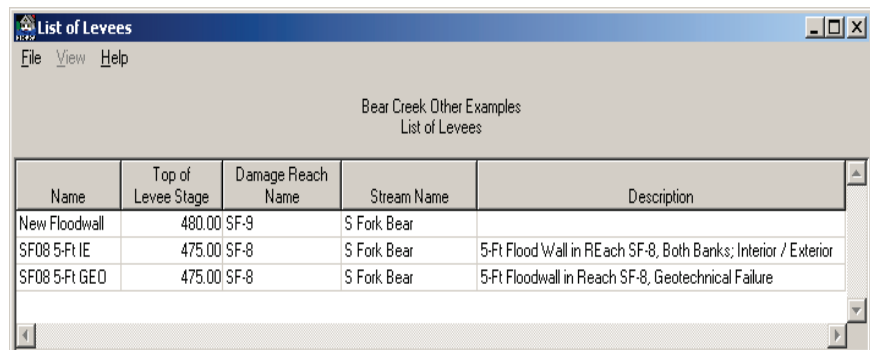
Since levees are assigned to a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach, if you delete a levee you are deleting the assignment of that particular levee from a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Any levee that is assigned to only one plan, analysis year, stream, damage reach, and then deleted, will be removed from the study. To delete a levee:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.
2.   The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).
3.   Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach; this will give you the levee you wish to delete.
4.   On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Assignment**, a warning message will appear asking you if you really wish to delete this levee, click **Yes**. The levee is no longer assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.
5.   When you are finished, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the Levee Features dialog box will close (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).

7.4   List of Levees

To review the levees you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.
2.   The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).
3.   On the **View** menu, click **List of Levees**, the **List of Levees** dialog box will open (Figure 7.9).

Figure 7.9 List of Levees Dialog Box

4.   This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.

5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Levees** dialog box will close (see Figure 7.9, page 7-7).

7.5 Assigning an Existing Levee to a Different Plan, Analysis Year, Stream, Damage Reach Combination

You can assign a levee to another plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach combination. There are two ways to accomplish this assignment. The first way is to assign a levee individually:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.

2.   The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).

3.   Select a plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach that does not have an assigned levee.

4.   Either click **Use an Existing Levee**, or on the **File** menu, click **Use an Levee**, either way, the **Copy Levee** dialog box will open (Figure 7.10).

5.   Based on the stream and damage reach selected, FDA uses an automated filtering
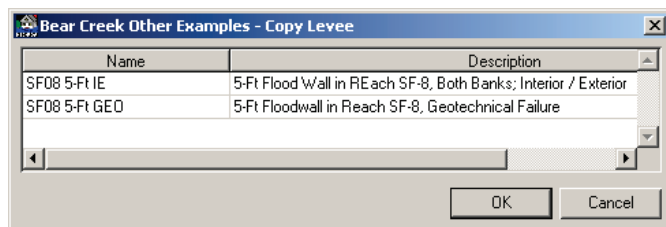
Figure 7.10 Copy Levee Dialog Box

system that will only provide a list of levees that are available for the selected stream and damage reach. From the table select the levee that you want to assign to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Click **OK**, the **Copy Levee** dialog box will close (Figure 7.10).

6.   From the **Levee Features** dialog box (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1) click **Save**, this will save the assignment of the levee to the selected plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

7.   You do not need to change the name of the levee unless you make some other kind of change that is specific to that plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

The other way is to assign a levee to multiple plans and analysis years:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.

2.   The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).

3. On the **Edit** menu, click **Global Assignment Copy**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will open (Figure 7.11).
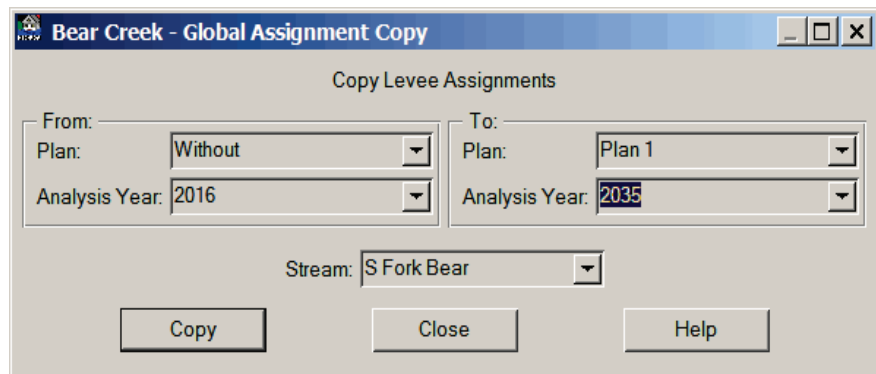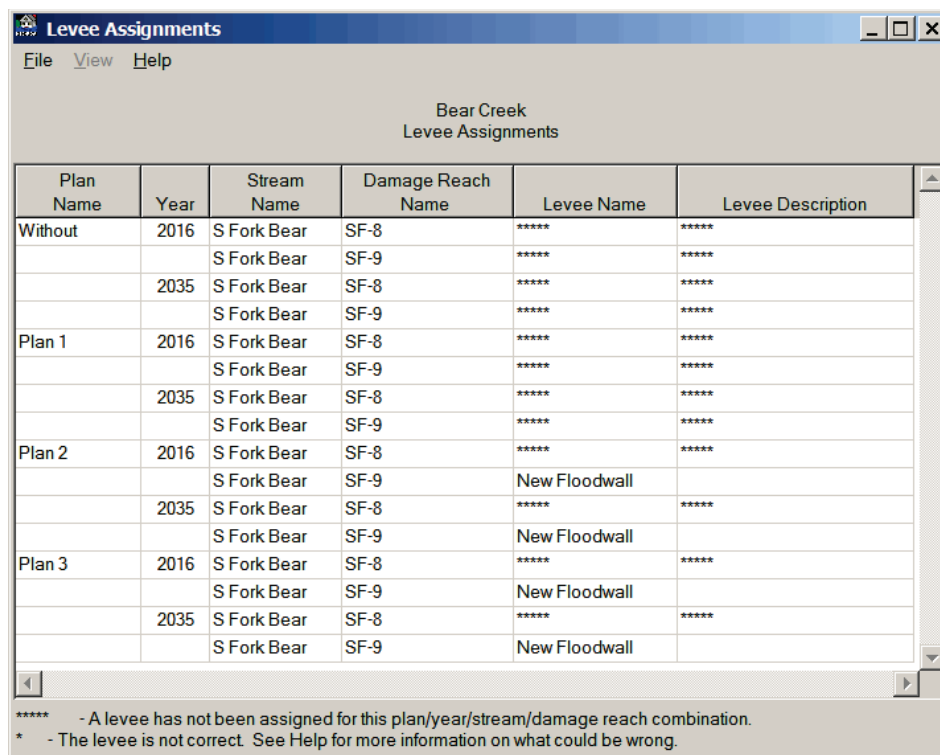
Figure 7.11 Global Assignment Copy Dialog Box

4. The **From** box is where you select the plan and analysis year that includes the levee you want to assign. The **To** box is the plan and analysis year that you are going to assign the levee to. In the example (Figure 7.11), the levee for the *Without* plan and *2009* analysis year, will be assigned to *Plan 1* and analysis years *2030*. There is also an **All** option which allows you to make assignments to all plans and all analysis years.

5. Once you have made your selections click **Copy**, a warning message will appear asking you if this is really what you want to do, click **Yes**, and the warning message closes. Click **Close**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will close (Figure 7.11). The assignments are automatically saved.

6. To verify that the levee assignments have been made, you need to review the **Levee Assignments** report (see Section 7.6).

7.6   List of Levee Assignments

To check to see if your assignments have been done and are correct, you need to review the assignment report:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **HydEng** menu, click **Levee Features**.
2. The **Levee Features** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.1, page 7-1).
4. On the **View** menu, click **Levee Assignments** the **Levee Assignments** dialog box will open (see Figure 7.12, page 7-10).
5. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Levee Assignments** dialog box will close (see Figure 7.12, page 7-10).

Figure 7.12 Levee Assignments Dialog Box

7.7   Data Entry Variables for Levee Features

Plan Name: Select a previously defined plan name.

Stream Name: Select a previously defined stream name.

Analysis Year: Select a previously defined analysis year.

Damage Reach: Select a previously defined damage reach.

Levee Name: Name (required) for the levee/floodwall for this plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. Used for subsequent pick lists and reports. A new levee can be added to the database. An existing levee can be copied, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is 16 characters.

Levee Description: Description of the defined levee, optional. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

Top of Levee Stage: The stage (elevation) of the top of the levee at the damage reach's index location (required).

Exterior Stage: The stream-side stage associated with water surface profile stages at the damage reach index location. Used to define relationships of interior stages and levee failure probabilities.

Interior Stage: The interior stage associated with the exterior stage that is required when the levee overtops, but not enough flood volume is available to equalize the interior stage with the exterior stage. A detailed hydraulics analysis outside of FDA is required to determine the exterior-interior relationship. The corresponding interior stage values are used for the damage computations of the interior area.

Probability of Failure: The probability of the levee failing geotechnically for a given exterior stage. The relationships require detailed analyses outside of FDA. Failure is assumed to be the combined conditional probability of failure from such causes as: piping, seepage, and under seepage.

CHAPTER 8

Economics

8.1   General

> *Economics is where you perform data entry and computations to produce stage-damage functions with uncertainty for flood damage reduction.*

Economics is where you perform data entry and computations to produce stage-damage functions with uncertainty for flood damage reduction. First, definition of **Study Damage Categories** for analysis and reports is required.   You may then enter the stage-damage functions with uncertainty directly by damage category and damage reach. However, for most studies, the functions are generated using the compute stage-damage uncertainty option. This option requires conventional development of structure inventories of structure attributes and specification of uncertainties associated with key data. Water surface profiles, specified under **HydEng** (see Chapter 4), are required to produce the stage damage uncertainty functions by damage categories at the damage reach index locations. This is performed by aggregating individual structure stage-damage functions to the index location by adjusting for the slope in water surface profiles. A detailed description of the methods described in this chapter is found in Appendix E.

Structure information is entered under **Structure Occupancy Type** (see Chapter 9) and **Structure Inventory** (see Chapter 11). **Structure Occupancy Type** is a subcategory of a damage category (see Section 8.2, page 8-2) and provides common information for similar structures. Included are depth-percent damage and uncertainty functions for the structure, contents, other; structure/content value and structure/other value ratios; uncertainties for first floor stage, structure value, structure/content value ratio, and structure/other value ratio. A structure is assigned to a structure occupancy type. Structure inventory information includes the structure name, description, stream, stream bank, stream station, structure stages, structure and content values, addresses, coordinates, and other data.

The typical sequence you would follow in the economics section is:

1) Create damage categories, you must at least create one.

2) For each defined damage category, enter structures occupancy types information. Structure occupancy types are not required.

3) Create structure modules and assign to a plan, analysis year group.

4) If you are using a structure inventory you need to enter the data directly or import a structure inventory from an ASCII file.

5) Finally, you will manually enter, compute, or import stage-damage functions into your study.

The dialog boxes you will use to input data for damage categories, structure occupancy types, and structure modules have a common **Menu Bar**. The **Menu Bar** contains the following common menus, for a description of the **Help** menu see Chapter 2 (see Section 2.4.6, page 2-11):

File   This menu is used for file management and contains the following commands:

   Add/Update: you either update (edit) an existing economics data item (damage categories, structure occupancy types, structure modules) information or add a new economics data item to the study.

   Close: close the open dialog box; if changes have not been saved a warning message will appear.

Edit   This menu is used for editing economics data items, traversing the records in an economics data item list, creating economics data items, and deleting economics data items. The commands available are:

   Cut/Copy/Paste: the standard cut/copy/paste commands

   First Record: places you on the first record of the economics data item list

   Last Record: places you on the last record of the economics data item list

   Next Record: places you on the next record of the economics data item list

   Previous Record: places you on the previous record of the economics data item list

   New Record: creates a new economics data item record

   Delete Record: deletes the selected economics data item from the list

View   This menu is used to review what economics data items have been created for the study; there is only one command - **List of** *Economics Data Items*.

8.2   Study Damage Categories

Damage categories are used to consolidate large numbers of structures into specific categories with similar characteristics for analysis and reports. Typical damage categories include: residential, commercial, industrial, open space, and public facilities. Several structure occupancy types,

discussed later, may be assigned to a study damage category. For example, single family residential and apartments are structure occupancy types (subcategories) assigned to the residential damage category. Figure 8.1 shows the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box.

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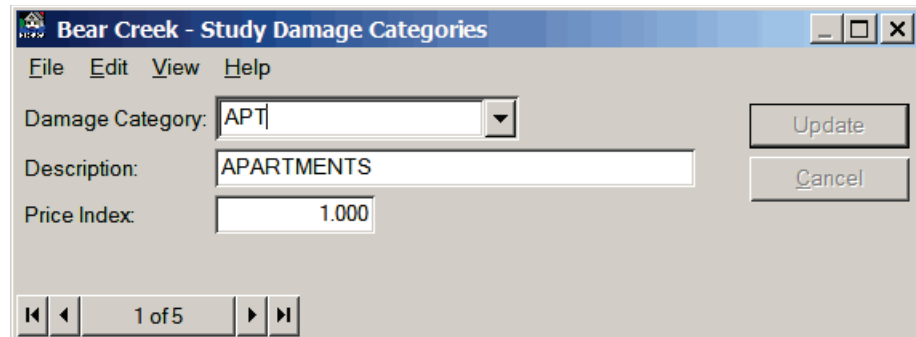
Figure 8.1 Study Damage Categories Dialog Box

8.2.1   Defining Damage Categories

You should define enough damage categories (maximum of 20) to facilitate detailed reporting. There is a minimal increase in computational time for additional damage categories. The number of damage categories should be sufficient to give enough detail but not too numerous to complicate data management.

FDA calculates stage-damage on a structure-by-structure basis and aggregates the results for each structure to the index location. The stage-damage calculations for some categories of damage (emergency costs, road damage, and automobile damage) normally do not use structure inventory techniques. However, to include these damage categories in the risk analysis, you may calculate the stage-aggregated damage with uncertainty outside of FDA and enter the resulting stage-damage as a "direct depth-dollar damage" function for a pseudo structure. Typically, a pseudo structure is entered at the index location with either a pseudo first floor stage or a first floor stage set to zero. The depth-dollar damage function may be entered either using the normal depth-damage function or an elevation-damage function. If elevations are used, then the first floor stage is entered as zero (not blank).

8.2.2   Create Damage Categories

To create damage categories:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Damage Categories**.
2.   The **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will open (Figure 8.1).

3.   Type a name (required) in the **Damage Category** list. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
4.   Type a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
5.   The price index is used to update the monetary values of the structures assigned to the damage category. It overwrites the global price index value (default value) that was entered when the study was created (see Chapter 2, Section 2.3.1, page 2-4). Type the price index for the damage category in the **Price Index** box (see Figure 8.1, page 8-3).
5.   Click **Add**, the damage category is added, and you can enter additional damage categories if you wish.
6.   When you are finished with entering your damage categories, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will close (see Figure 8.1, page 8-3).

Additional ways to create damage categories are provided from the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box (see Figure 8.1, page 8-3):

●   On the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**, you can now enter a new damage category from the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box (see Figure 8.1, page 8-3).

<div align="center">-or-</div>

●   From the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, page 2-9), click the center of the button; you can now enter a new damage category from the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box (see Figure 8.1, page 8-3).

8.2.3   Edit Damage Categories

Edit damage categories that have already been defined:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Damage Categories**.
2.   The **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will open (Figure 8.2).
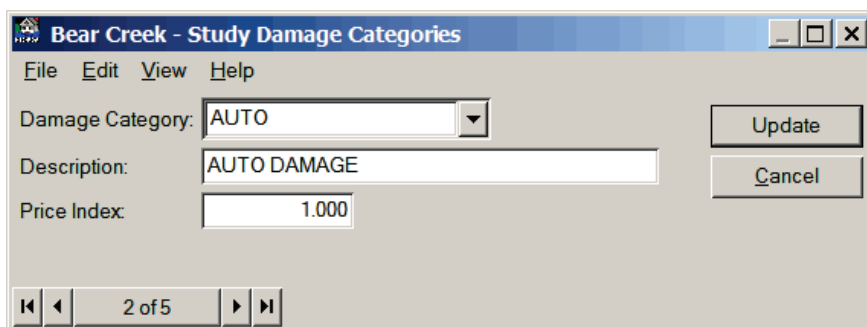
Figure 8.2 Study Damage Categories Dialog Box - Update Button

3.   From the **Damage Category** list see (Figure 8.1, page 8-3) select the damage category you want to edit and make the necessary updates.
4.   Click **Update**, the changes are saved for the selected damage category.
5.   When you are finished with editing your damage categories, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will close (see Figure 8.2, page 8-4).

8.2.4   Delete Damage Categories

Delete damage categories that have already been defined:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Damage Categories**.
2.   The **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will open (see Figure 8.2, page 8-4).
3.   From the **Damage Category** list (see Figure 8.2, page 8-4) select the damage category you want to delete.
4.   On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Record**. A warning message will appear asking you if you really want to delete the damage category. Click **Yes**, the damage category will no longer be available.
5.   When you are finished with deleting damage categories, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will close (see Figure 8.2, page 8-4).

8.2.5   List of Damage Categories

To review the damage categories that you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Damage Categories**.
2.   The **Study Damage Categories** dialog box will open (see Figure 8.1, page 8-3).
3.   On the **View** menu, click **List of Damage Categories**, the **List of Damage Categories** dialog box will open (see Figure 8.3, page 8-6).
4.   This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Damage Categories** dialog box will close (see Figure 8.3, page 8-6).
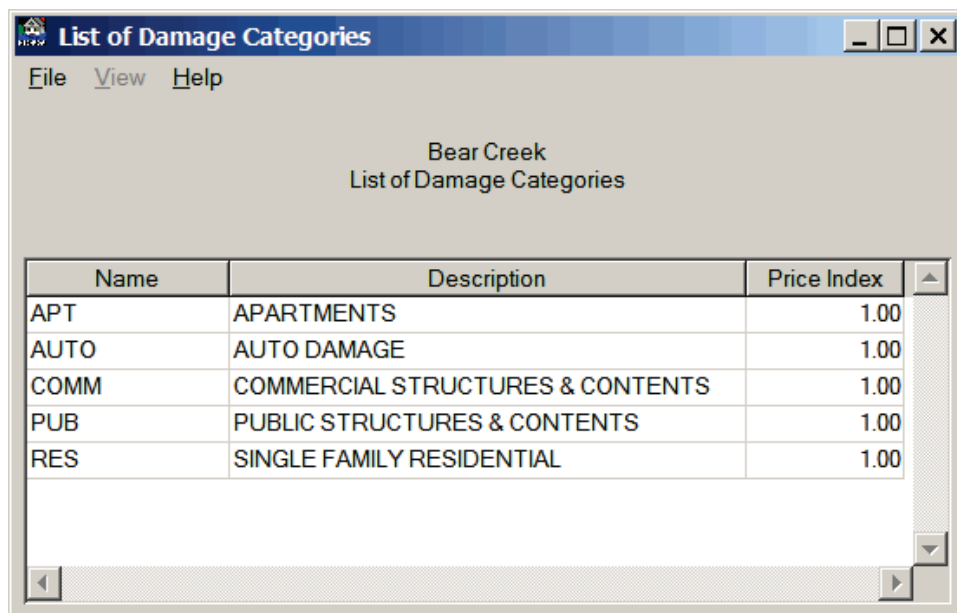
Figure 8.3 List of Damage Categories Dialog Box

8.2.6   Data Entry Variables for Damage Categories

Damage Category Name: Required name for the defined damage category, which is used for subsequent data entry pick lists. Also used on reports and plots. A new damage category name can be added to the database. An existing damage category name can be selected, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is 16 characters.

Damage Category Description: Optional description of the defined damage category. The maximum length is 64 characters.

Price Index: Optional price index adjustment to damage values for this category. The price index at the damage category level overrides the global price index.

8.3   Import/Export Study Data

You may import old HEC-SID structure inventory information into HEC-FDA using the **Economic/Import** menu. You may also import ASCII *.txt files from commercial spreadsheets and databases. You may also export data to ASCII delimited text files for use in other software such as spreadsheets or databases. Please see Appendix D for a more detailed description of the procedures.

8.3.1   Import HEC-SID Structure Inventory

For details on the import requirements for an HEC-SID (Structure Inventory for Damage Analysis) structure inventory see Appendix D,

Section D.4 (page D-20). If you have an HEC-SID data file that meets the requirements, from FDA do the following:

> *From HEC-FDA you can import old HEC-SID inventory information from HEC-SID input files (*.s). See Appendix D for further details*

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, point to **Import**, **click Old SID File**.
2. The **Import Structure Inventory** dialog box will open (Figure 8.4).
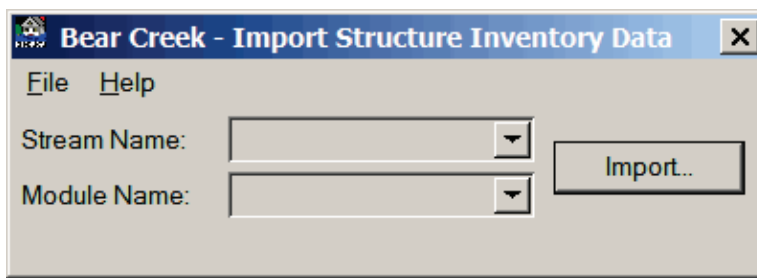
Figure 8.4 Import Structure Inventory Dialog Box

3. From the **Stream Name** list (Figure 8.4) select the stream where the structures are located.
4. From the **Module Name** list select the structure module that will be associated with the structures.
5. Click **Import**, the **Import Structure Inventory Data** browser will open (Figure 8.5). By default the browser is looking for SID input files (*.s). Select the appropriate file; click **Open**, the **Import Structure Inventory Data** browser will close.
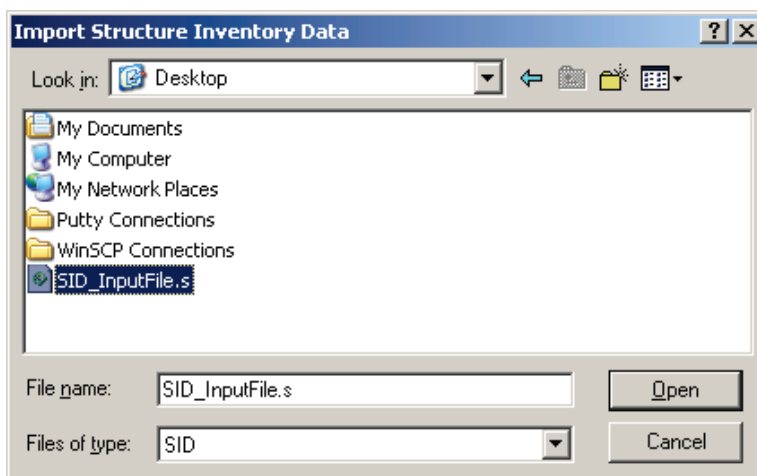
Figure 8.5 Import Structure Inventory Data Browser

6. The program gives no indication that the import is being done, the **Import Structure Inventory Data** dialog box (Figure 8.4) will lose focus (title bar will become gray) when the import is finished.
7. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Import Structure Inventory Data** dialog box will close (Figure 8.4).

8.3.2   Importing HEC-FDA Study Data

From HEC-FDA you can import FDA data from ASCII delimited files. By default, FDA assumes an ASCII tab delimited file..

FDA imports data from a text file (*.txt) which contains delimited fields. By default, FDA expects the fields to be separated by the tab character; you can specify a different field separator. FDA requires a specific format for this file, which is described in Appendix D. FDA will import the following data: plans, analysis years, streams, damage reaches, damage categories, structure occupancy types, structure modules, structures, water surface profiles, exceedance probability (frequency) curves, stage-discharge (rating curves), and levee data. To import FDA data:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, point to **Import**, click **ASCII Tab Delimited**.
2. The **Import Data** dialog box will open (Figure 8.6). By default the character separating fields in the file is a tab. From the **Import Data** dialog box you can select from a pre-defined list, or enter your own field separator by clicking **Other Character** and entering a character in the **Other Character** box.
3. If you wish to update data that is already included in the study, click **Update Data**.
4. Click **Import**, the **Import Data** browser will open (Figure 8.7).
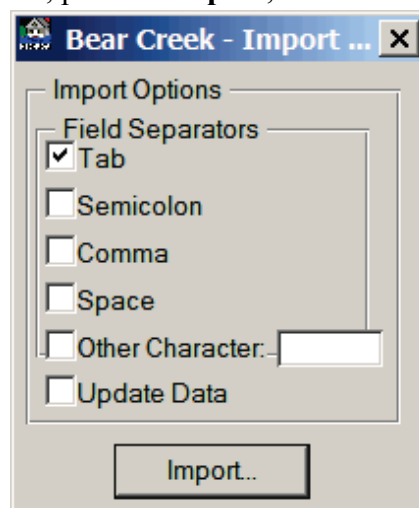
Figure 8.6 Import Data Dialog Box
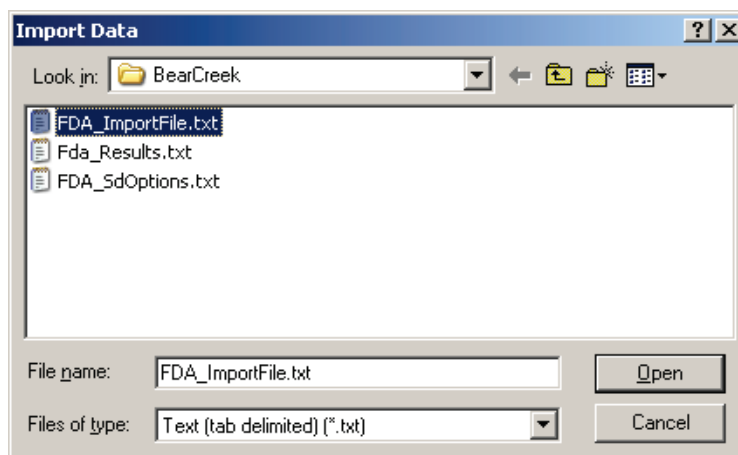
Figure 8.7 Import Data Browser

5. By default the browser is looking for text (tab delimited, *.txt) files. Select the appropriate file; click **Open**, the **Importing Data Status** dialog box will open (see Figure 8.8, page 8-9).
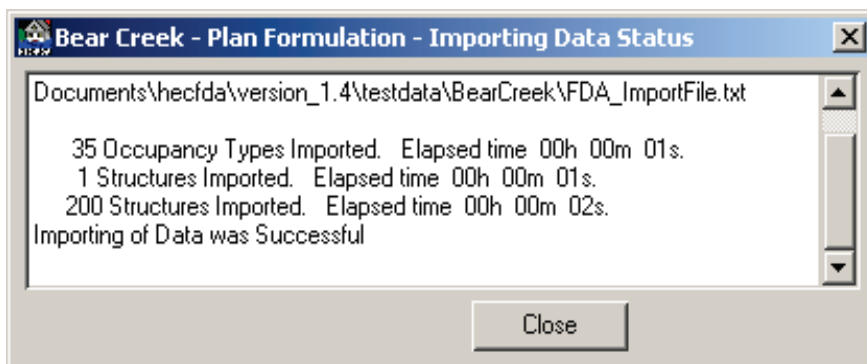
Figure 8.8 Importing Data Status Dialog Box

6. The **Importing Data Status** dialog box (Figure 8.8) will provide
    information on the importing of the data. Once the import is
    finished, the **Importing Data Status** dialog box will contain a
    message "Importing of Data was Successful" and the **Import Data**
    dialog box (see Figure 8.6, page 8-8) and the **Import Structure
    Inventory Data** browser will close (see Figure 8.7, page 8-8).
7. After reviewing the information in the **Importing Data Status**
    dialog box (Figure 8.8), click **Close**, the **Importing Data Status**
    dialog will close, and your FDA study now contains data.

8.3.3   Exporting HEC-FDA Study Data

All FDA study data can be exported to a text file (*.txt) which contains
delimited fields. By default, FDA expects the fields to be separated by the
tab character; you can specify a different field separator. FDA will export
the following data: plans, analysis years, streams, damage reaches,
damage categories, structure occupancy types, structure modules,
structures, water surface profiles, exceedance probability (frequency)
curves, stage-discharge (rating curves), and levee data. To export FDA
data:

*From HEC-FDA
you can export
most study data to
an ASCII text file.
By default, the file
is an ASCII tab
delimited file.*

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure
    2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Export**.
2. The **Export Data** dialog box will open (Figure 8.9).
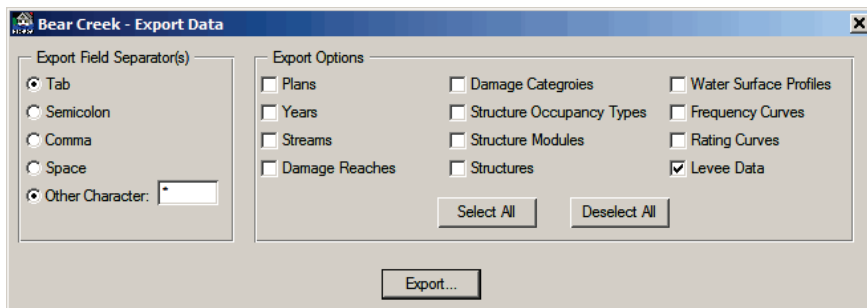
Figure 8.9 Export Data Dialog Box

3. By default the character separating fields in the file is a tab. From the **Export Data** dialog box, from the **Export Field Separator(s)** box (Figure 8.10) you can select from a pre-defined list, or enter your own field separator by clicking **Other Character** and entering a character in the **Other Character** box.
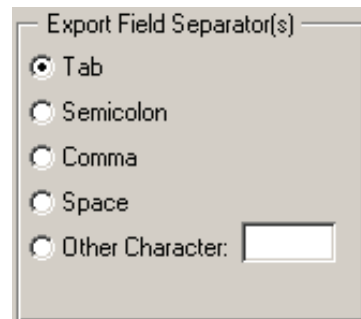
Figure 8.10 Export Field Separator(s) Box

4. From the **Export Options** box (Figure 8.11) the user can select all FDA study data to be exported (click **Select All**), or the user can select individual data items to be exported. For example (Figure 8.11) if you only wanted to export the structure inventory data, click **Deselect All**, and then click **Structures**. Now the only data that will be exported from the study would be the structure inventory.
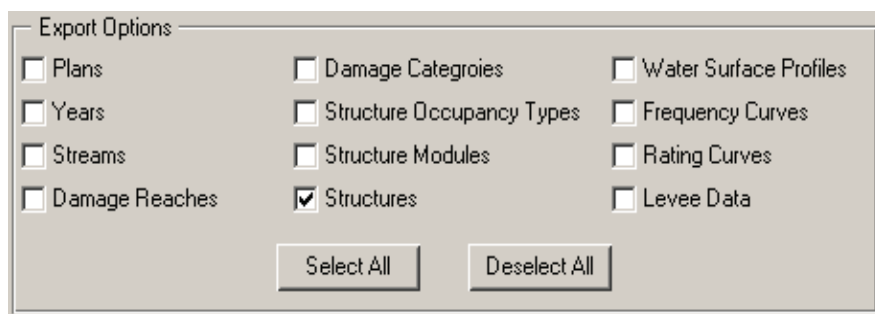
Figure 8.11 Export Options Box

5. Now that you are ready, click **Export**, the **Export Data** browser will open (Figure 8.12). FDA by default provides a filename of *FDA_ExportASCII.txt*, you can change this name.
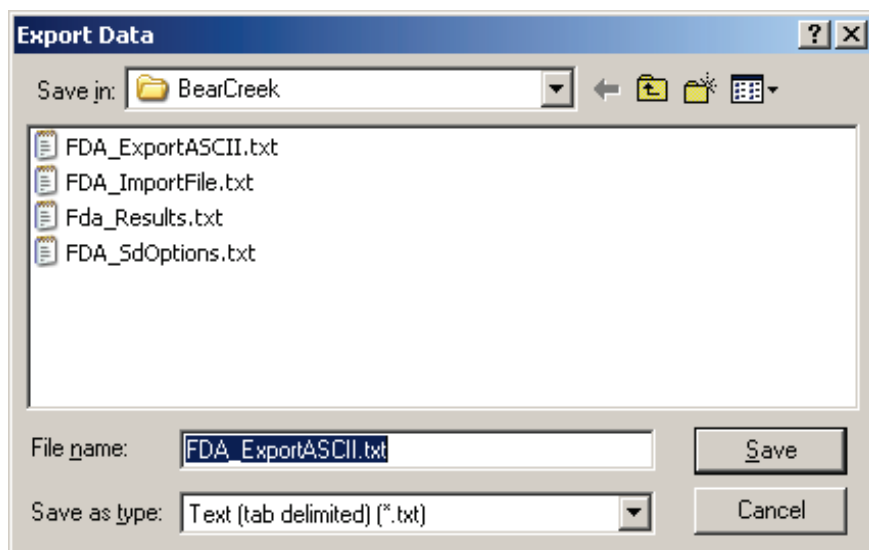
Figure 8.12 Export Data Browser

6.   Click **Save**, the **Exporting Data Status** dialog box will open (Figure 8.13).
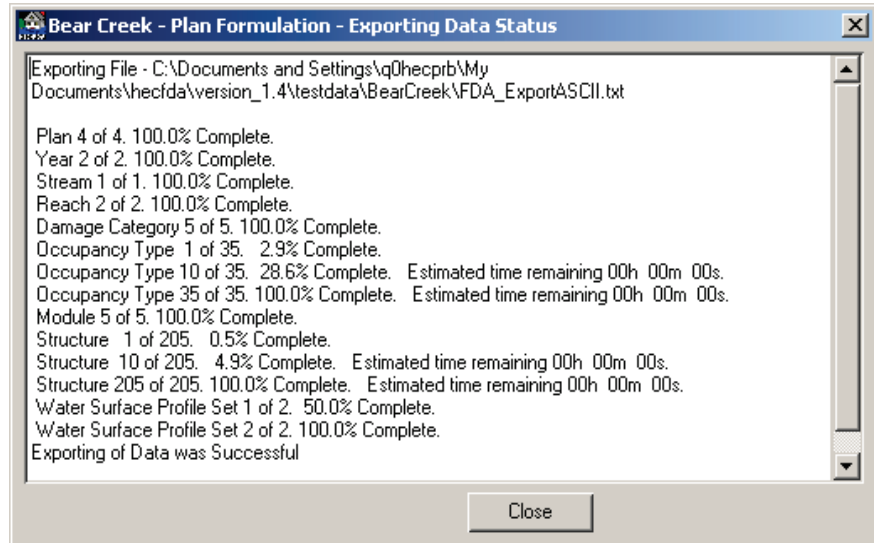
Figure 8.13 Exporting Data Status Dialog Box

7.   The **Exporting Data Status** dialog box (Figure 8.13) will provide information on the exporting of the data. Once the export is finished, the **Exporting Data Status** dialog box will contain a message "*Exporting of Data was Successful*".

8.   After reviewing the information in the **Exporting Data Status** dialog box (Figure 8.13), click **Close**, the **Exporting Data Status** dialog will close, and the **Export Data** dialog box (see Figure 8.9, page 8-9) and the **Export Structure Inventory Data** browser will close (Figure 8.12) and your FDA study now contains data.

CHAPTER 9

Structure Occupancy Types

9.1 General

> *A **structure occupancy type** describes a class of structures (e.g. single family, no basement, raised foundation, one story).*

A structure occupancy type describes a class of structures (e.g. single family, no basement, raised foundation, one story). Data entered for a structure occupancy type is applied to all the structures assigned to that structure occupancy type. Structures are assigned to an occupancy type in the structure inventory editor (see Chapter 11).

Data entered in the structure occupancy type editor (Figure 9.1) include:
- the depth-percent damage functions (structure, content, and other);
- the content-to-structure value ratio – used to estimate the value of contents based on a percentage of the value of the structure; and
- the uncertainties in the first floor elevation, value ratios (content to structure, and other to structure), and the damage in the depth-damage functions.
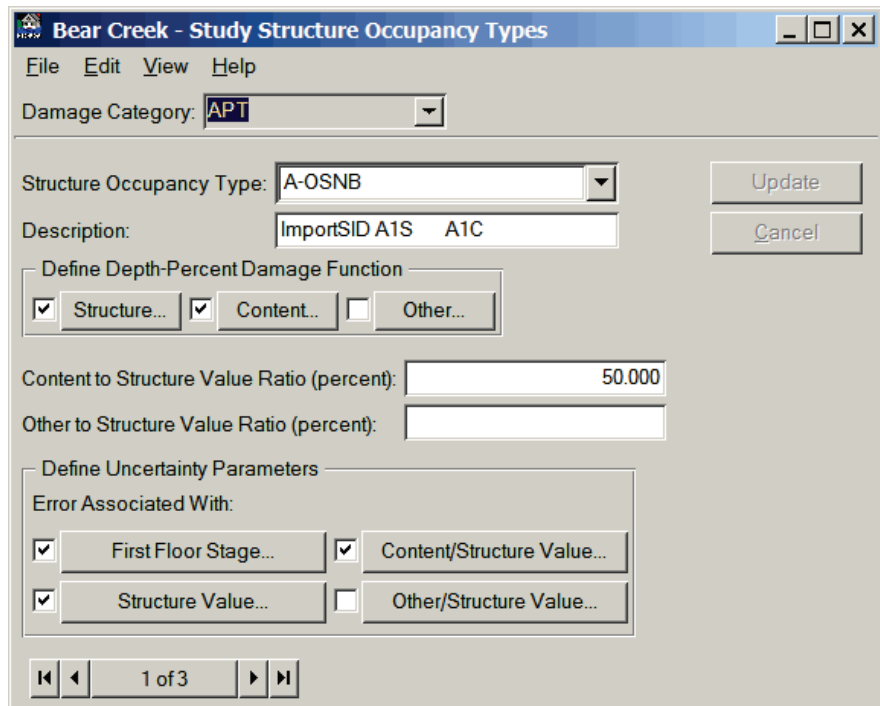
Figure 9.1 Study Structure Occupancy Types Dialog Box

Structure occupancy types are a subcategory of damage categories. Several structure occupancy types can be assigned to a single damage

category. For example, single-story structures with no basements, single-story structures with basements, mobile homes, and duplex apartments are different structure occupancy types assigned to a residential damage category. Each occupancy type would have unique depth-damage functions and uncertainty parameters.

Uncertainty or error distributions associated with estimating the depth-damage functions, structure values, content value ratios, other value ratios and first flood stage are used to develop the total aggregated stage-damage-uncertainty functions by damage categories for the damage reach. The uncertainty of each parameter may be defined using none (no uncertainty), normal, triangular or log normal probability density functions.

9.2   Defining Structure Occupancy Types

Structure occupancy types are defined by damage category, and the same structure occupancy type cannot be used for different categories. Structure occupancy types contain depth-damage functions where damage is defined in percent of value (structure, content, and other). Structures which have a direct depth-dollar damage function assigned to them have a structure occupancy type with an FDA internally generated name. You will not normally see the direct damage function occupancy types except in the **List of All Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Section 9.6, page 9-16). Although user-defined structure occupancy types can apply to one structure, they normally represent a large class of structures (i.e., one story, single family residential, wood frame construction, no basement).

9.3   Create Structure Occupancy Types

To create a structure occupancy type:

1. From the HEC-FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. From the **Damage Category** list, select the damage category you want to create a structure occupancy type for.
4. Type a name (required) in the **Structure Occupancy Type** list. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
5. Type a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
6. Enter the **Structure**, and/or **Content**, and/or **Other** depth-percent damage function for the structure occupancy type. See Section 9.3.1 (page 9-3) for more detail on depth-percent damage functions.

7.   Enter the **Content to Structure Value Ratio** (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1), which represents the maximum content value divided by the maximum structure value. This value is entered as a percentage and is used to compute the content value from the structure value if a content value is not specified in the structure inventory.

8.   If you are computing damages to "other" (damage to landscape, automobiles, etc), enter the **Other to Structure Value Ratio**, which is the numeric value (in percent) that represents the maximum "other" value divided by the maximum structure value.

9.   From the **Define Uncertainty Parameters** box, you enter the uncertainty or error distributions associated with estimating the first floor stage (**First Floor Stage**), the structure value (**Structure Value**), the content value ratios (**Content/Structure Value**), and the other value ratios (**Other/Structure Value**).

10.   Click **Add**, the structure occupancy type will be added to the study, and you can enter additional structure occupancy types if necessary.

11.   When you are finished entering structure occupancy types, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

Additional ways to add new structure occupancy types are provided in the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1):

● From the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**, you can now enter a new structure occupancy type from the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

-or-

● From the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, page 2-9), click the center button; you can now enter a new structure occupancy type from the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

9.3.1 Depth-Percent Damage Functions

Depth-percent damage functions represent the damage caused to a structure, contents of a structure, and other for given depths of flooding at that structure.

Depth-percent damage functions represent the damage caused to a structure, contents of a structure, and "other" for given depths of flooding at that structure. The damage is based on a percentage of the total value of the structure, content, and "other" respectively. The percent-damage is multiplied by the structure value, content value, or "other" value to get a unique depth-damage function at the structure. Other can be used to compute damage for any other item not accounted for in structure value and content value (i.e. automobiles, landscape).

Depth-percent damage functions should always contain a zero damage depth, and negative depths are acceptable. The zero depth is assumed to coincide with stage (elevation) of the first floor.

In the cases where content or other values are not available, they can be computed by FDA as a percentage of the total value of the structure. Enter these ratios in the content to structure value ratio and the "other" to structure value ratio boxes. The actual value of contents and other may be entered for each structure in the structure inventory editor. Doing so will override the value computed from the ratios contained in the structure occupancy type.

The uncertainty associated with the depth-percent damage function is entered by ordinates based on the specified distribution.

Structure

To enter a structure depth-percent damage function for a structure occupancy type:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. From the **Define Depth-Percent Damage Function** box, click **Structure**, the **Depth-Percent Damage Function - Structure** dialog box will open (Figure 9.2).

Figure 9.2 Depth-Percent Damage Function - Structure Dialog Box

4. Enter the depth-percent damage function ordinates using the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.
5. If you are entering uncertainty data, select the appropriate error distribution in the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 9.2, page 9-4). The proper columns for entering uncertainty parameters will be added to the table depending on your choice.
6. To view a plot of the structure depth-percent damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Percent Function Plot**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function Plot - Structure** dialog box will open (Figure 9.3).
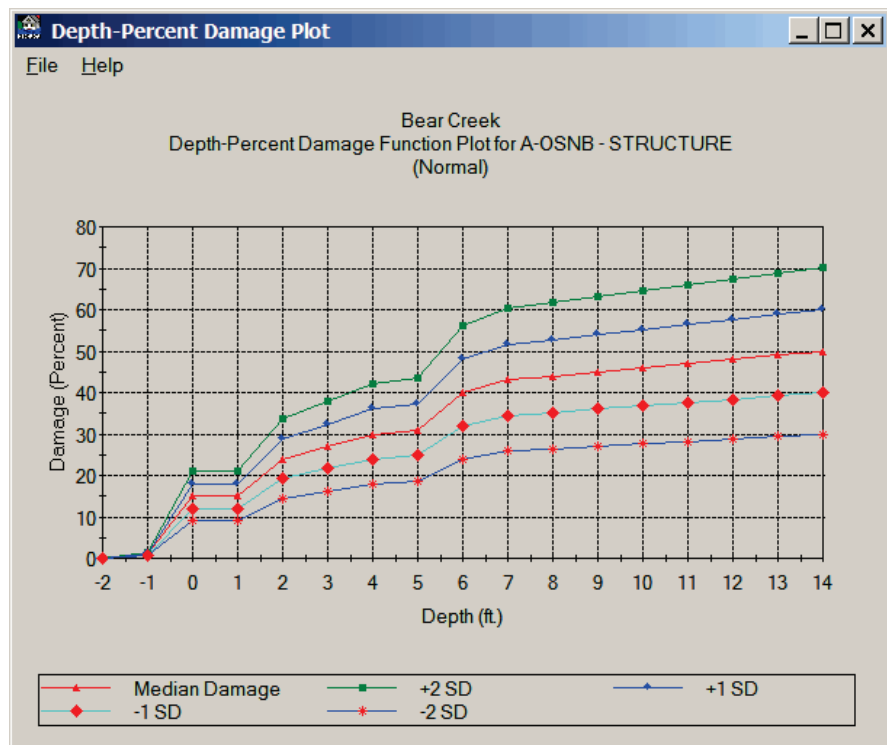
Figure 9.3 Depth-Percent Damage Function Plot - Structure Dialog Box

7. To view the data that composes the structure depth-percent damage function in a tabular form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Percent Function Report**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function Report - Structure** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.4, page 9-6).
8. When you are finished defining the structure depth-percent damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function - Structure** dialog box will close returning you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

Content

To enter a content depth-percent damage function for a structure occupancy type:

Figure 9.4 Depth-Percent Damage Function Report - Structure Dialog Box

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.

2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

3. From the **Define Depth-Percent Damage Function** dialog, click **Content**, the **Depth-Percent Damage Function - Content** dialog box will open (Figure 9.5).

Figure 9.5 Depth-Percent Damage Function - Content Dialog Box

4. Enter the content depth-percent damage function ordinates in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns (see Figure 9.5, page 9-6).
5. If you are entering uncertainty data, click the appropriate error distribution. The proper columns will be added to the table.
6. To view a plot of the content depth-percent damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Percent Function Plot**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function Plot - Content** dialog box will open (Figure 9.6).
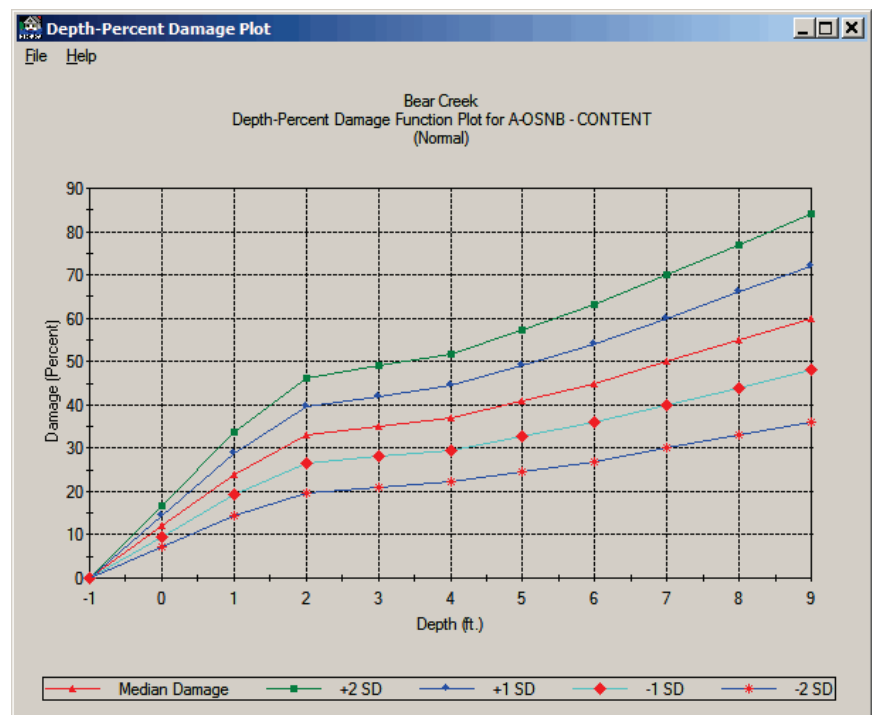
Figure 9.6 Depth-Percent Damage Function Plot - Content Dialog Box

7. To view your content depth-percent damage function in a tabular form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Percent Function Report**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function Report - Content** dialog box will open (see see Figure 9.7, page 9-8).
8. When you are finished defining the content depth-percent damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function - Content** dialog box will close, returning you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

Other

To enter a depth-percent damage function for damageable property other than the structure or contents of a building, use the "other" option:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.

Figure 9.7 Depth-Percent Damage Function Report - Content Dialog Box

2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

3. From the **Define Depth-Percent Damage Function** box, click **Other**, the **Depth-Percent Damage Function - Other** dialog box will open (Figure 9.8).

Figure 9.8 Depth-Percent Damage Function - Other Dialog Box

4. Enter the other depth-percent damage ordinates in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.

5. If you are entering uncertainty data, select the appropriate error distribution. The proper columns will be added to the table for entering the uncertainty information.

6. To view a plot of your other depth-percent damage function, click
    Plot, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Percent Function Plot**.
    The **Depth-Percent Damage Function Plot - Other** dialog box
    will open (Figure 9.9).
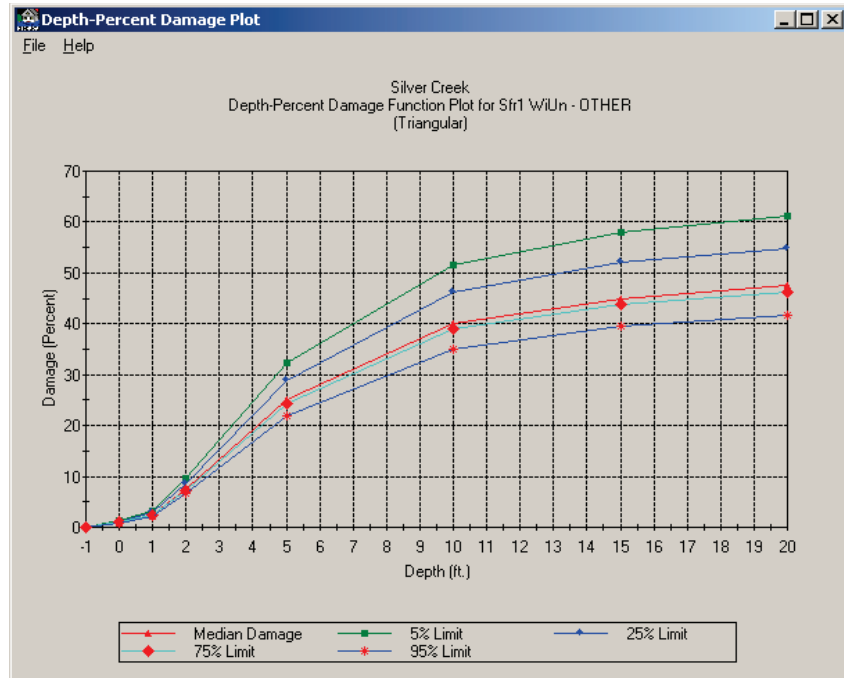
Figure 9.9 Depth-Percent Damage Function Plot - Other Dialog Box

7. To view the data of your other depth-percent damage function in a
    tabular form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-
    Percent Function Report**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function
    Report - Other** dialog box will open (Figure 9.10).

Figure 9.10 Depth-Percent Damage Function Report - Other Dialog Box

8. When you are finished defining the "other" depth-percent damage
    function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Percent Damage Function –**

Other dialog box will close (see Figure 9.8, page 9-8) returning you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).

9.3.2   Content to Structure Value Ratio

*The **content to structure value ratio** is the numeric value, in percent, that represents the content value divided by the structure value for a particular structure occupancy type.*

The content to structure value ratio is the numeric value, in percent, that represents the content value divided by the structure value for a particular structure occupancy type. It is used to estimate total content value if the structure inventory does not include content value information. The computed content value is then used to proportion the contents depth-percent damage function.

The actual value of contents may be entered for each structure in the structure inventory editor. Doing so will override the value computed from the ratios contained in the structure occupancy type. Enter the ratio as a whole number (i.e., enter 50 for a ratio of 50%).

EGM 04-01 contains generic depth-damage relationships that can be applied in the absence of regionally developed relationships. The content damage relationships in EGM 04-01 represent a percentage of structure value, not content value. Therefore, when using the content damage relationships from EGM 04-01, enter a value of 100 (100%) as the content to structure value ratio in FDA. The program will still compute content damage as a percentage of content value. However, since the content value is equal to structure value, the result is that content damage becomes a percentage of structure value.

9.3.3   Other to Structure Value Ratio

*The **other to structure value ratio** is the numeric value, in percent, that represents the maximum other value divided by the maximum structure value for a particular structure occupancy type.*

The other to structure value ratio is the numeric value, in percent, that represents the maximum other value divided by the maximum structure value for a particular structure occupancy type. It is used to estimate total value of the property represented by other if the structure inventory does not include other value information. The computed value is then used to proportion the other depth-percent damage function.

The actual value of other may be entered for each structure in the structure inventory editor. Doing so will override the value computed from the ratios contained in the structure occupancy type. Enter the ratio as a whole number (i.e., enter 50 for a ratio of 50%).

9.3.4   Define Uncertainty Parameters

Uncertainty, or error distributions, associated with estimating the depth-damage functions, structure values, content value ratios, other value ratios and first flood stage are used to develop the total aggregated stage-

damage-uncertainty functions by damage categories for a damage reach. The uncertainty of each parameter may be defined using none (no uncertainty), normal, triangular or log normal probability density functions.

First Floor Stage

The standard deviation in feet (meters) of the uncertainty in the first floor stage estimate of a particular structure occupancy type. This value is based on the procedures/type of surveys used to estimate the first floor stage. Values illustrated in Table 9.1 can be used as a guide.

Table 9.1
Uncertainty Based on Measurement Methods

Method	Contour Interval (ft)	Error (ft)	Standard Deviation (ft)
Field survey			
Hand level	NA	± 0.2 @ 50'	0.1
Stadia	NA	± 0.4 @ 500'	0.2
Conventional level	NA	± 0.05 @ 800'	0.03
Automatic level	NA	± 0.03 @ 800'	0.02
Aerial survey			
	2'	± 0.59	0.3
	5'	± 1.18	0.6
	10'	± 2.94	1.5
Topographic map			
	2'	± 1.18	0.6
	5'	± 2.94	1.5
	10'	± 5.88	3

To enter the error associated with the first floor stage:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. Click **First Floor Stage.** The **Error Associated with First Floor Stage** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.11, page 9-12).
4. Select the appropriate distribution from the **Distribution Type** group.
5. Enter the appropriate value(s) in the **First Floor Stage Error** box (see Figure 9.11, page 9-12).
6. Click **OK**, the **Error Associated with First Floor Stage** dialog box will close, and return you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
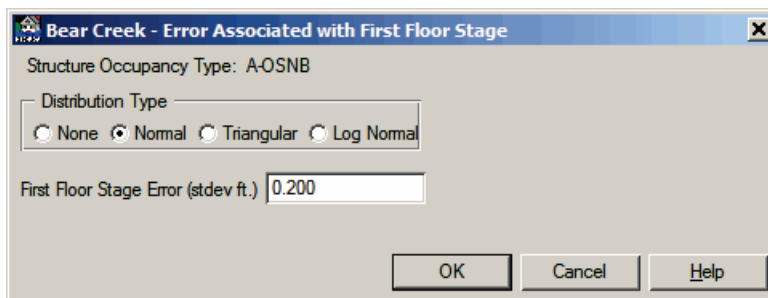
Figure 9.11 Error Associated with First Floor Stage Dialog Box

7.   The checkbox next to **First Floor Stage** will be selected.

Structure Value

The error associated with structure value is entered as the standard deviation, in percent of structure value, associated with the uncertainty in the structure value estimate for a particular structure occupancy type.

To enter the error associated with the structure value:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2.   The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3.   Click **Structure Value**; the **Error Associated with Structure Value** dialog box will open (Figure 9.12).
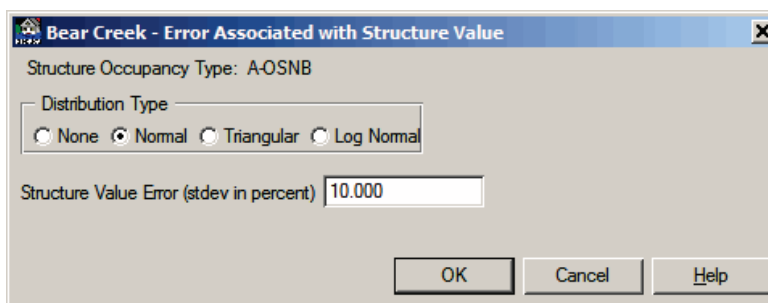
Figure 9.12 Error Associated with Structure Value Dialog Box

4.   Select the appropriate distribution from the **Distribution Type** group.
5.   Enter the appropriate value(s) in the **Structure Value Error** box.
6.   Click **OK**, the **Error Associated with Structure Value** dialog box will close, and return you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
7.   The checkbox next to **Structure Value** will be selected.

Content/Structure Value

The standard deviation is a percent of the content to structure value ratio. It is associated with the error in estimating the ratio. For example, for a content to structure value ratio of fifty percent, an entered standard deviation of ten (10) percent would mean that the plus/minus one standard deviation range is forty-five to fifty-five percent. Leave the Content/Structure value blank when using the generic content depth-damage relationships from EGM 04-01.

To enter the error associated with the content/structure value:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. Click **Content/Structure Value**; the **Error Associated with Content/Structure Value** dialog box will open (Figure 9.13).
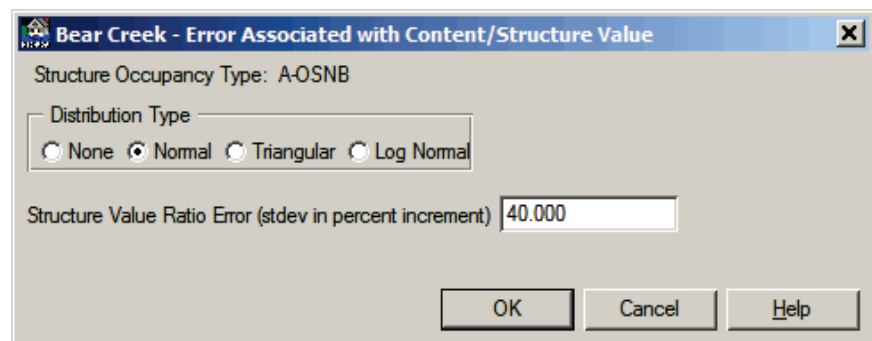
Figure 9.13 Error Associated with Content/Structure Value Dialog Box

4. Select the appropriate distribution type from the **Distribution Type** group.
5. Enter the appropriate value(s) in the **Content/Structure Value Error** box.
6. Click **OK**, the **Error Associated with Content/Structure Value** dialog box will close, and return you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
7. The checkbox next to **Content/Structure Value** will be selected.

Other/Structure Value

The standard deviation is a percent of the "other" to structure value ratio. It is associated with the error in estimating the ratio. For example, for a "other" to structure value ratio of fifty percent, an entered standard deviation of ten (10) percent would mean that the plus/minus one standard deviation range is forty-five to fifty-five percent.

To enter the error associated with the other/structure value:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. Click **Other/Structure Value**; the **Error Associated with Other/Structure Value** dialog box will open (Figure 9.14).
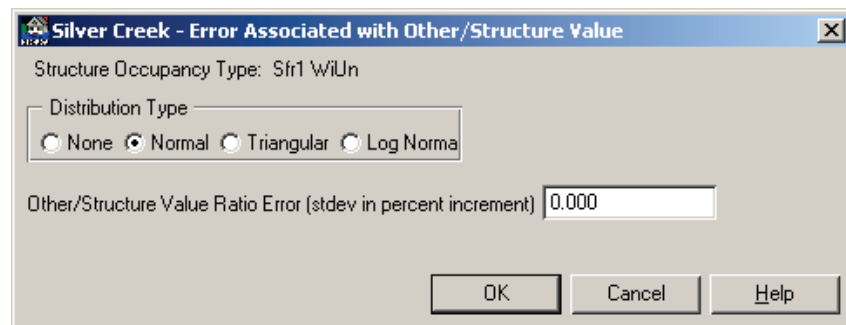
Figure 9.14 Error Associated with Other/Structure Value Dialog Box

4. If there is uncertainty associated with the other/structure value, from the **Distribution Type** group select the appropriate distribution type.
5. Enter the appropriate value(s) in the **Other/Structure Value Error** box.
6. Click **OK**, the **Error Associated with Other/Structure Value** dialog box will close, and return the user to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
7. The checkbox next to **Other/Structure Value** will be selected.

9.4   Edit Structure Occupancy Types

To edit structure occupancy types that have already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. From the **Damage Category** list, select the damage category that contains the structure occupancy type you want to edit.
4. From the **Structure Occupancy Type** list, select the structure occupancy type you want to edit and make the necessary updates.
5. All of the items in Section 9.2 (page 9-2) can be edited for each defined structure occupancy type.

6. Click **Update** (Figure 9.15), the changes are saved for the selected structure occupancy type.
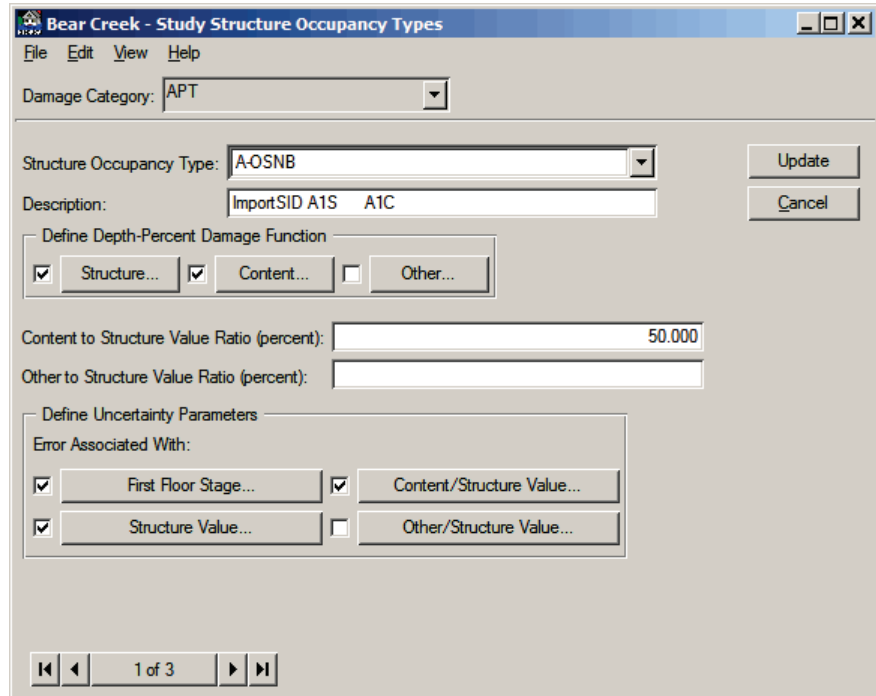
Figure 9.15 Study Structure Occupancy Types Dialog Box - Update Button

7. When you are finished editing the occupancy type, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

9.5 Delete Structure Occupancy Types

To delete a structure occupancy type that has already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2. The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3. From the **Damage Category** list, select the damage category that contains the structure occupancy type that you want to delete.
4. From the **Structure Occupancy Type** list select the structure occupancy type you want to delete.
5. From the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Record**. A warning message will appear asking if you really want to delete the structure occupancy type. Click **Yes**, the structure occupancy type will no longer be available.
6. When you are finished with deleting structure occupancy types, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

9.6   List of All Structure Occupancy Types

To review the structure occupancy types that you entered for a study, HEC-FDA provides a report. To access the report:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Study Structure Occupancy Types**.
2.   The **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (see Figure 9.1, page 9-1).
3.   From the **View** menu, click **List of All Structure Occupancy Types**, the **List of All Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box will open (Figure 9.16).

Figure 9.16 List of All Structure Occupancy Types Dialog Box

4.   To print this report, from the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

9.7   Description of Structure Occupancy Type Data Entry Variables

Damage Category Name: A previously defined damage category name. You must select a damage category before proceeding with the structure occupancy type dialog.

Structure Occupancy Type: Required name given to a similar set of structures that is used to define the depth-percent damage function(s) and first floor, structure value, content/structure value ratio and other/structure value ratio uncertainty of the type of structures. An existing structure

occupancy type can be selected, updated, or deleted. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

Structure Occupancy Description: Optional description of the defined structure occupancy type, up to sixty-four (64) characters.

Depth-percent Damage Function: Depth-percent damage functions define the percent of the structure damaged for a range of flood stages at a structure. The percent-damage is multiplied by the structure value to get a unique depth-damage function at the structure. The zero depth is assumed to coincide with stage (elevation) of the first floor. Separate depth-percent damage functions for contents and "other" may be developed in a similar manner. Contents and other damage may also be based on the content to structure value ratio and the other to structure value ratio. The uncertainty associated with the depth-percent damage function is entered by ordinates based on the type of distribution specified.

Content to Structure Value Ratio: The numeric value in percent that represents the maximum content value divided by the maximum structure value for a particular structure occupancy type. It is used to compute the content value from the structure value if content value does not exist for individual structures in the structure inventory.

Other to Structure Value Ratio: The numeric value in percent that represents the maximum other value (damage to landscape, etc) divided by the maximum structure value for a particular structure occupancy type. It is used to compute the other value from the structure value if the other value does not exist for individual structures in the structure inventory.

Error Associated With: First Floor Stage: The standard deviation in feet (meters) of the uncertainty in the first floor stage estimate of a particular structure occupancy type. Based on the procedures/type of surveys used to estimate the first floor stage.

Error Associated With: Structure Value: The standard deviation in percent of structure value associated with the uncertainty in the structure value estimate for a particular structure occupancy type.

Error Associated With: Content/Structure Value: The standard deviation is a percent of the content to structure value ratio. It is associated with the error in estimating the ratio. For example, for a content to structure value ratio of fifty percent, an entered standard deviation of ten (10) percent would mean that the plus/minus one standard deviation range is forty-five to fifty-five percent.

Error Associated With: Other/Structure Value Ratio: The standard deviation is a percent of the other to structure value ratio. It is associated

with the error in estimating the ratio. For example, for a other to structure value ratio of fifty percent, an entered standard deviation of ten (10) percent would mean that the plus/minus one standard deviation range is forty-five to fifty-five percent.

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CHAPTER 10

Structure Modules

10.1   General

*The purpose of **structure modules** is to allow you to vary one or more structure characteristics by plan and year or to include or exclude one or more structures from a plan/year.*

The purpose of structure modules is to allow you to vary one or more structure characteristics by plan and year or to include or exclude one or more structures from a plan/year. For example, you may have a couple of different development scenarios you want to analyze. What is the potential damage if development A is built by the most likely future year versus what is it if development B is built? In this instance, your base year would contain neither development A nor development B structures, only structures that exist at the base year. For the most likely future year and plan "Development A", you would add in those structures associated with "Development A". For the most likely future year and plan "Development B", you would add in those structures associated with "Development B" but not those for "Development A". To allow the selection of structures in "Develop A" and "Develop B", those structures are assigned to different structure modules than those that exist at the base year.

Another example of varying structure characteristics by plan and year is the case of various proposed levee alignments. For each levee alignment, a different number of structures would be protected by the levee. In HEC-FDA, a damage reach that contains a levee protects all structures in the reach. Thus, if you have different levee alignments, some structures are protected in one plan but not in the next. That requires you to change the damage reach that a structure belongs to as a function of the flood damage reduction plan.

Other examples include analyzing flood proofing (zero damage point changes and/or depth-damage function and or first floor stage changes), flood warning (depth-damage function changes), etc. If you do not need to change any of your structure's characteristics by plan or year or do not need to include or exclude a structure by plan/year, you can accept default values and virtually ignore structure modules.

Structure modules require definition in three areas:

1. the structure module name,
2. the structure module assignment (assign one or more structure modules to each plan/year), and
3. assign each structure to one structure module

When a new study is created, the module "Base" is always created and any new structure added to the structure inventory is assigned the "Base" module. Also, when new plans and years are added, the "Base" module is always assigned to that plan/year. At structure entry, you may assign any existing module to that structure. Each structure must have a unique structure name. Thus, if the same structure is present in more than one module and you want the characteristics of that structure to change, you will have to enter it twice with different names.

For example, structure *234* is an existing structure and one of your plans is to raise the structure by two feet, you would enter structure *234* twice. First, enter it as structure *234* with its present first floor elevation and assign it to the *No Raise* structure module. Then, enter the same structure with a first floor elevation two feet higher, assign it the name *234_R2*, and assign it to the structure module *Raise 2FT*. Both the *Base* and *NoRaise* structures modules are assigned to the Without Plan and both the *Base* and *Raise 2FT* structure modules are assigned to the With Plan. Notice that structure *234* cannot be assigned to the *Base* structure module because the *Base* structure module is used for the With Plan. If you assigned structure *234* to the Base structure module, it would be included twice in the With Plan because both structure modules (*Base* and *Raise 2FT*) are assigned to the With Plan.

Figure 10.1 shows the basic data entry dialog box for **Structure Module**. The structure modules are required if structure inventories are to be performed. The definition of the structure modules must be defined prior to development of the structure inventories. The default module is the
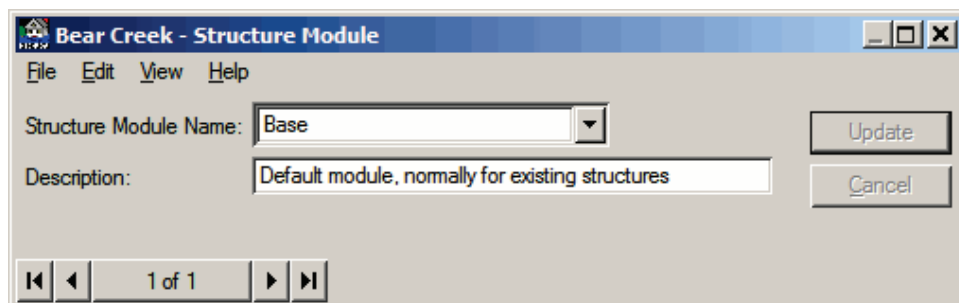
Figure 10.1 Structure Module Dialog Box

"Base" module normally containing existing structures or structures associated with the without-project base year condition. Plans associated with various future conditions will normally have different modules for the future year structures. This enables analysis of alternative future development, such as those considering the Federal Emergency Management Association's regulatory program. Table 10.1 (page 10-3) shows an example of possible structure modules used for perhaps thousands of structures. (Note: Each structure has a "year in place" parameter that allows you to define when a structure goes into the

floodplain. It may be used in place of structure modules to control calculations for future development.)

Table 10.1
Structure Inventory Module Concepts

Plan Description	Base Year 2009	Most Likely Future 2030
Without Project	BASE MODULE	BASE MODULE + FUTURE A MODULE (Adjusted for Regulation program w/o project.)
Levee Project	BASE MODULE	BASE MODULE + FUTURE B MODULE (Adjusted for Regulatory program development w/Levee.)
Channel Project	BASE MODULE	BASE MODULE + FUTURE C MODULE (Adjusted by Regulatory program development w/channel.)

10.2   Create Structure Modules

By default, the Base structure module always exists. If you need additional structures modules, it is best to add those to the study before adding structures. To create a structure module:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Modules**.
2. The **Structure Module** dialog box will open (Figure 10.2).
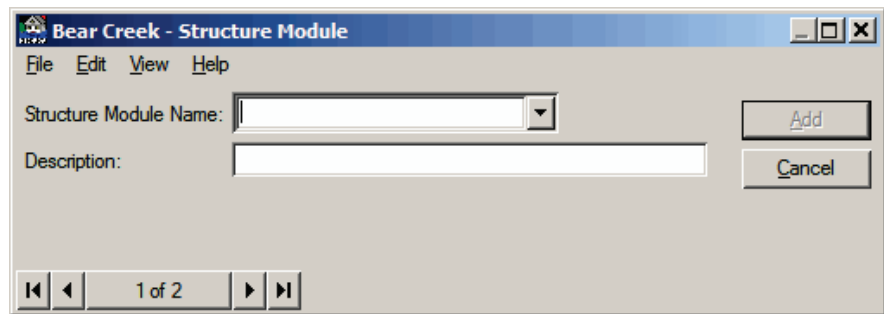
Figure 10.2 Structure Module Dialog Box - Add Button

3. The **Base** structure module has already been defined. There are two ways to add another structure module:
    ● From the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**, you can now enter a new structure module from the **Structure Module** dialog box (Figure 10.2).
                    -or-
    ● From the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, page 2-9), click the center of the button; you can now enter a new structure module from the **Structure Module** dialog box (Figure 10.2).

4. Type a name (required) in the **Structure Module Name** list. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.
5. Type a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box. The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.
6. Click **Add**, the structure module is added, and you can enter additional structure modules if you wish.
7. When you are finished with entering your structure modules, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

10.3 Edit Structure Modules

Edit structure modules that have already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Modules**.
2. The **Structure Modules** dialog box will open (Figure 10.3).
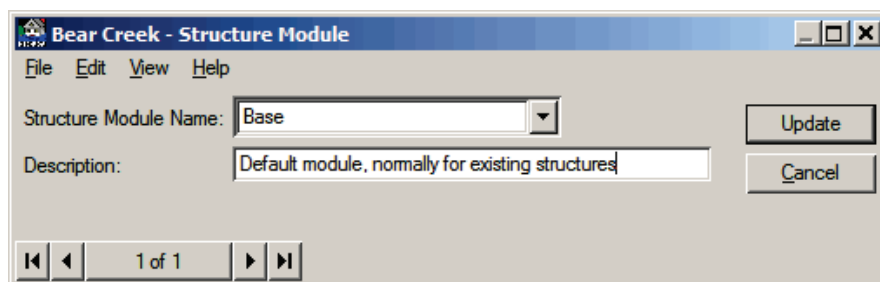
Figure 10.3 Structure Module Dialog Box - Update Button

3. From the **Structure Module** list select the structure module you want to edit and make the necessary updates.
4. Click **Update** (Figure 10.3), the changes are saved for the selected structure module.
5. When you are finished with editing your structure modules, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

10.4 Delete Structure Modules

Delete structure modules that have already been defined:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Modules**.
2. The **Structure Module** dialog box will open (Figure 10.3).
3. From the **Structure Module Name** list select the structure module you want to delete.
4. From the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Record**. A warning message will appear asking you if you really want to delete the structure module. Click **Yes**, the structure module will no longer be available.

5.   When you are finished with deleting structure modules, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

10.5   List of Structure Modules

To review the structure modules that you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Modules**.
2.   The **Structure Module** dialog box will open (see Figure 10.3, page 10-4).
3.   From the **View** menu, click **List of Structure Modules**, the **List of Structure Modules** dialog box will open (Figure 10.4).
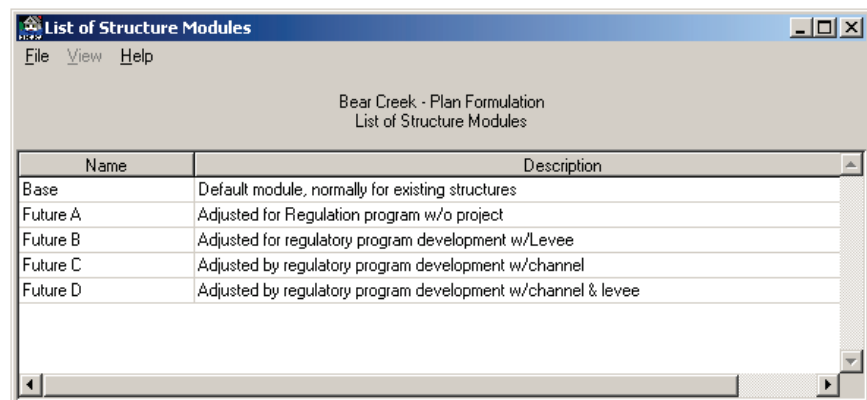
Figure 10.4 List of Structure Modules Dialog Box

4.   This report can be printed, from the **File** menu, click **Print**.
5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

10.6   Creating Structure Module Assignments

By default, the **Base** structure module is assigned to all defined years and plans. To assign user defined structure modules do the following:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Modules**.
2.   The **Structure Module Assignment** dialog box will open (see Figure 10.5, page 10-6).
3.   From the **Plan** list, select the plan that you want to assign a structure module.
4.   From the **Analysis Year** list, select the analysis year that you want to assign a structure module.
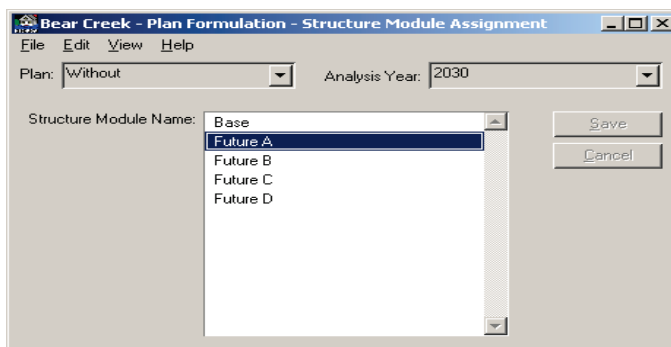
Figure 10.5 Structure Module Assignment Dialog Box

5. From the **Structure Module Name** list (Figure 10.5) select the structure module that you want to assign to the selected plan and analysis year.
6. The **Save** and **Cancel** buttons will become active, to save the assignment of the selected structure module, click **Save**.
7. To check to see if the assignment has been made, view the structure module assignment report (see Section 10.7).
5. When you are finished with assigning the structure modules, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

10.7 Report of Structure Module Assignments

To review the structure module assignments that you have made for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Modules**.
2. The **Structure Module Assignment** dialog box will open (Figure 10.5).
3. From the **View** menu, click **Structure Module Assignments**, the **Structure Module Assignments** dialog box will open (Figure 10.6).

Figure 10.6 Structure Module Assignments Dialog Box

4. This report can be printed, from the **File** menu, click **Print** (see Figure 10.6, page 10-6).
5. When you are finished reviewing this report, from the **File** menu, click **Close**.

CHAPTER 11

Structure Inventory

11.1   General

> *A **structure inventory** is a record of the attributes of unique or groups of structures relevant to flood damage analysis.*

Structure inventories are performed to develop a record of the attributes of unique or groups of structures relevant to flood damage analysis. The information is used to compute an aggregated stage-damage function by damage category at the damage reach index location station. The damage categories, stream, and structure occupancy types must be previously specified. Required structure attributes include: the name for the structure; stream station; stream; bank designation; structure value; occupancy type; structure module; and structure stages associated with ground or first floor. Optional attributes include: content value; other value; address; coordinates (highly recommended); notes; an image; and additional structure stages for basement type flooding.

Structure depth-damage data may also be entered directly for a specified structure occupancy type instead of using the general depth-damage functions. Examples would be for unique inventory surveys of commercial and industrial structures, and special damage functions for traffic or infrastructure. The "direct" method is chosen from the structure occupancy type pick list. The first flood survey error in feet (meters) must be entered along with the stage-direct damage with uncertainty values for the structure. Content stage-direct damage with uncertainty and "other”" stage-direct damage with uncertainty are then similarly entered.

From HEC-FDA, you may enter data manually structure by structure from a form (see Section 11.2, page 11-2) or from a table (spreadsheet, see Section 11.3, page 11-12). You may also import the data from ASCII (*.TXT) files or SID (USACE 1989) data files as described in Appendix D.

The structures are assigned to a specific damage category (see Chapter 8), structure occupancy type (see Chapter 9), stream (see Chapter 3), and structure module (see Chapter 10). The structure module is used to specify which plans and analysis years (see Chapter 3) the structure will be used for damage analysis.

For further information on developing structure inventories, refer to the following USACE reports by Institute for Water Resources:

- "Natural Economic Development Procedure Manual - Urban Flood Damage", March 1988, 88-R-2
- "Natural Economic Development Procedure Manual - Urban Flood Damage - Volume II: Primer on Surveying Flood Damage for Residential Structures and Contents", October 1991, 91-R-10
- "Catalog of Residential Depth-Damage Functions", May 1992, 92-R-3
- "Analysis of Non-Residential Content Value and Depth-Damage Data for Flood Damage Reduction Studies", April 1996, 96-R-12

11.2   Entering Structure Inventory Data - Form

To create a structure:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Inventory Data**.
2. The **Structure Inventory** dialog box will open (Figure 11.1).

Figure 11.1 Structure Inventory Dialog Box - Form

3. By default, FDA is in the "form" mode for structure inventory data entry.
4. Type a name (required) in the **Individual Structure** list. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters. Each structure must have a unique name – two structures cannot have the same name. If the same structure is used in more than one module, it must have a unique name for each module.
5. Type the stream station (required) of where the structure is located on a stream in the **Stream Station** box. Must be consistent between

damage reach boundaries, damage reach index location, water surface profiles, and structure location. A valid value for a stream station is from 9,999,999.99 to 9,999,999.99.

11.2.1 Values Associated with a Structure

> *Structure value is the value of the structure, and does not include the content value.*

6. Type the value of the structure (does not include the content value) in the **Structure Value** box (Figure 11.2). A valid numeric value for the structure value ranges from 0 to 999,999,999.

Figure 11.2 Values Associated with a Structure

> *Contents value is the value of the contents associated with the structure, does not include the structure (building) value.*

7. Type the value of the contents (does not include the structure value) associated with the structure in the **Content Value** box (Figure 11.2). A valid numeric value for the content value ranges from 0 to 999,999,999. If left blank, the contents value is computed from the content to structure value ratio that is defined in the occupancy type and the structure value. If a content value is entered, it will override the content value computed from the content to structure value ratio. If you enter zero, the content value will be zero. If the content damage is defined with a depth-direct dollar function, the content value is not used in the calculations.

> *Other value is the value of "other" property such as outbuildings associated with the structure, does not include the structure (building) value.*

8. Type the value of "other" property (does not include the structure value) such as outbuildings associated with the structure in the **Other Value** box (Figure 11.2). A valid numeric value for the content value ranges from 0 to 999,999,999. If left blank, the "other" value is computed from the other to structure value ratio that is defined in the occupancy type and the structure value. If an "other" value is entered, it will override the "other" value computed from the other to structure value ratio. If you enter zero, the content value will be zero. If the "other" damage is defined with a depth-direct dollar function, the "other" value is not used in the calculations.

9. Determine which stream bank (looking downstream) the structure is located on. From the **Bank** options (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2), select either **Left** (default) or **Right**.

11.2.2 Structure Assignments

10. From the **Damage Category** list (see Figure 11.3, page 11-4), select the damage category (required) associated with the structure.
11. From the **Occupancy Type** list (see Figure 11.3, page 11-4), select the structure occupancy type (required) associated with the

Figure 11.3 Structure Assignments

structure. If you select the structure occupancy type of **Direct**, you will need to enter information for the depth-direct dollar damage function for that structure. This information is entered in the **Define Direct Structure Information** box on the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2)

12. From the **Stream** list (Figure 11.3), select the stream (required) associated with the structure.

13. From the **Module** list (Figure 11.3), select the structure module (required) associated with the structure.

11.2.3 Structure Stages

14. To enter stages (elevations) associated with the structure, click **Structure Stages** (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2); the **Structure Stages** dialog box will open (Figure 11.4). From this dialog box, the user will enter the stages (elevations) associated with the first floor of the structure or the stage (elevation) of the ground at the structure.

Figure 11.4 Structure Stages Dialog Box - First Floor

> *The **first floor stage** is the stage or elevation of the first floor of the structure.*

15. By default, **First Floor** is selected (Figure 11.4), if you are entering the stages (elevations) associated with the first floor of the structure, type a value in the **First Floor Stage** box (Figure 11.4). The value must be between -300 to 30,000. Optionally, the user can enter the beginning damage depth in feet (meters) relative to the first floor

*The **beginning damage depth** in an optional depth in feet (meters) relatives to the first floor stage where damage begins; normally used in the analysis of structures with basements.*

*The **ground stage** is the stage or elevation of the ground at the structure.*

stage where damage begins. The beginning damage depth is normally used in the analysis of structures with basements where flood waters enter above basement floor. The beginning damage depth truncates the damage function at the specified depth. For example, if damage begins at one foot below the first floor stage, the beginning damage depth is set to -1. Type the value in the **Beginning Damage Depth** box (see Figure 11.4,page 11-4).

16. If you wish to enter the stage (elevation) of ground at the structure, click **Ground Stage** (see Figure 11.4, page 11-4), the **Structure Stages** dialog box will change (Figure 11.5). In the **Ground Stage** box (Figure 11.5), type the value for the stage (elevation) of the ground at the structure, this value must be between -300 to 30,000.
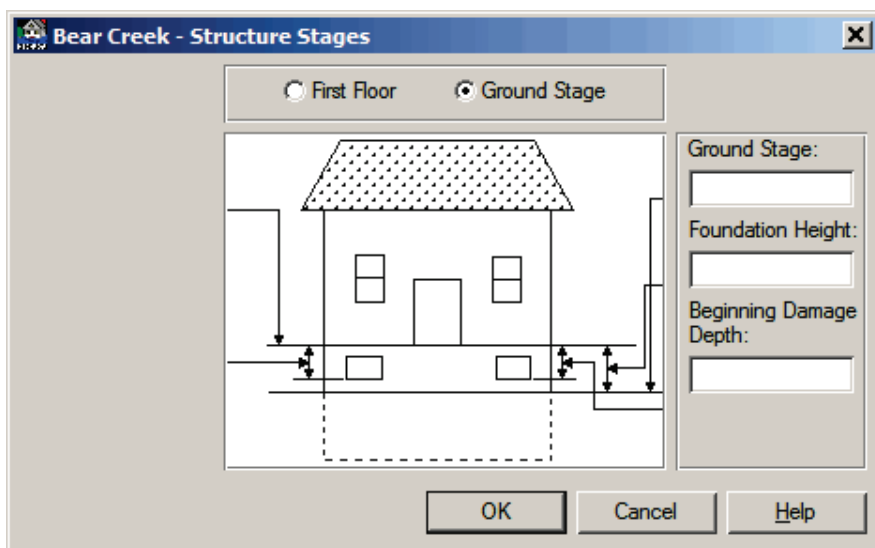
Figure 11.5 Structure Stages Dialog Box - Ground Stage

*The **foundation height** is the vertical distance between the ground stage and first floor stage at the structure*

The user must also define the foundation height, which is the distance from the ground stage to the first floor stage. This value is entered in the **Foundation Height** box (Figure 11.5). Optionally, the user can enter the beginning damage depth in feet (meters) relative to the first floor stage where damage begins. The beginning damage depth is normally used in the analysis of structures with basements where flood waters enter above basement floor. The beginning damage depth truncates the damage function at the specified depth. For example, if damage begins at one foot below the first floor stage, the beginning damage depth is set to -1. Type the value in the **Beginning Damage Depth** box (Figure 11.5).

11.2.4 Optional Structure Information

17. There is also optional information that can be entered for a structure. From the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2) click **Optional Information**, the **Optional**

Structure Information dialog box will open (Figure 11.6). Definitions of the available items are listed in Section 11.5 (page 11-20).

Figure 11.6 Optional Structure Information Dialog Box

11.2.5 Direct-Dollar Information for a Structure

18. If the user has selected a structure occupancy type of **Direct**, the **Define Direct Structure Information** box (Figure 11.7) will be available on the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2). FDA assumes the normal distribution for

Figure 11.7 Define Direct Structure Information

first floor stage and you must enter a standard deviation for it even if it is zero (no uncertainty). This value is entered in the **First Floor Stage Error** box (Figure 11.7). You then enter the direct-dollar damage versus stage functions and associated uncertainty for the structure, contents, and other as shown in Figure 11.7. The

direct-dollar functions are normally used to define unique damage potential such as some commercial, industrial, infrastructure, and public facilities.

Structure

To enter a structure depth-direct dollar damage function:

1. From the **Define Direct Structure Information** box (see Figure 11.7, page 11-6), click **Structure**, the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Structure** dialog box will open (Figure 11.8).

Figure 11.8   Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Structure Dialog Box

2. Enter the depth-direct dollar damage function in the table in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.
3. If you are calculating uncertainty, from the **Define Uncertainty** box (Figure 11.8) click the appropriate error distribution. The table will change with columns being adding depending on your choice.
4. To view a plot of your structure depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Function Plot**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Structure** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.9, page 11-8).
5. To view the data of your structure depth-percent damage function in a report form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Function Report**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Structure** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.10, page 11-8).

Figure 11.9 Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Structure Dialog Box

Figure 11.10   Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Structure
Dialog Box

6.   When you are finished defining your structure depth-direct dollar
     damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage
     Function - Structure** dialog box will close (see Figure 11.8, page
     11-7) returning you to the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see
     Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

Content

To enter a content depth-direct dollar damage function:

1. From the **Define Direct Structure Information** box (see Figure 11.7, page 11-6, click **Content**, the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Content** dialog box will open (Figure 11.11).

Figure 11.11   Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Content Dialog Box

2. Enter the depth-direct dollar damage function in the table in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.

3. If you are calculating uncertainty, from the **Define Uncertainty** box (Figure 11.11) click the appropriate error distribution. The table will change with columns being adding depending on your choice.

4. To view a plot of your content depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Plot**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Content** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.12, page 11-10).

5. To view the data of your content depth-direct dollar damage function in a report form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Content** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.13, page 11-10).

6. When you are finished defining your content depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Content** dialog box will close (Figure 11.11) returning you to the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).
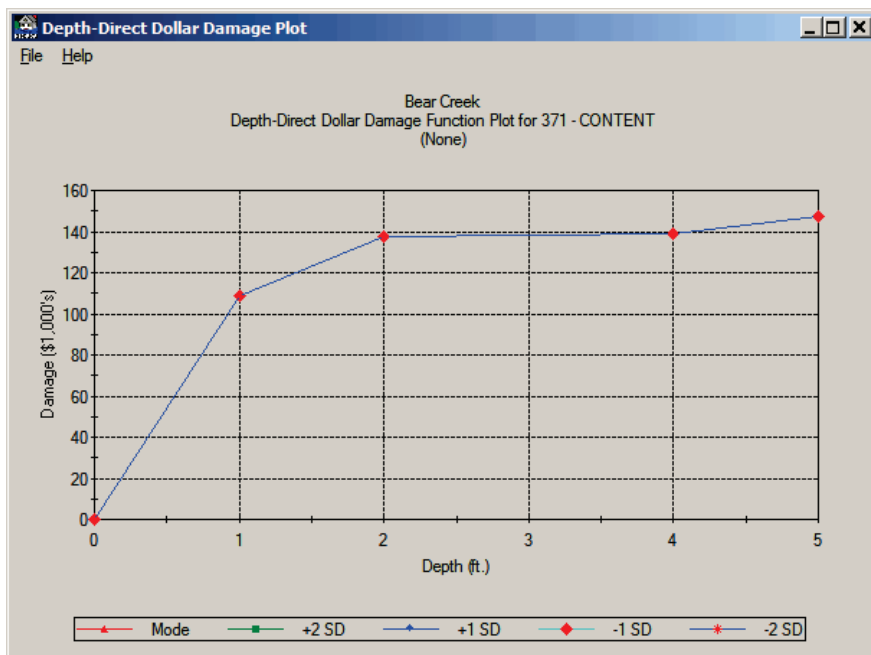
Figure 11.12 Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Content Dialog Box

Figure 11.13   Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Content
Dialog Box

Other

To enter an other depth-direct dollar damage function:

1. From the **Define Direct Structure Information** box (see Figure 11.7, page 11-6), click **Other**, the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Other** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.14, page 11-11).
2. Enter the depth-direct dollar damage function in the table in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.
3. If you are calculating uncertainty, from the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 11.14, page 11-11) click the appropriate error
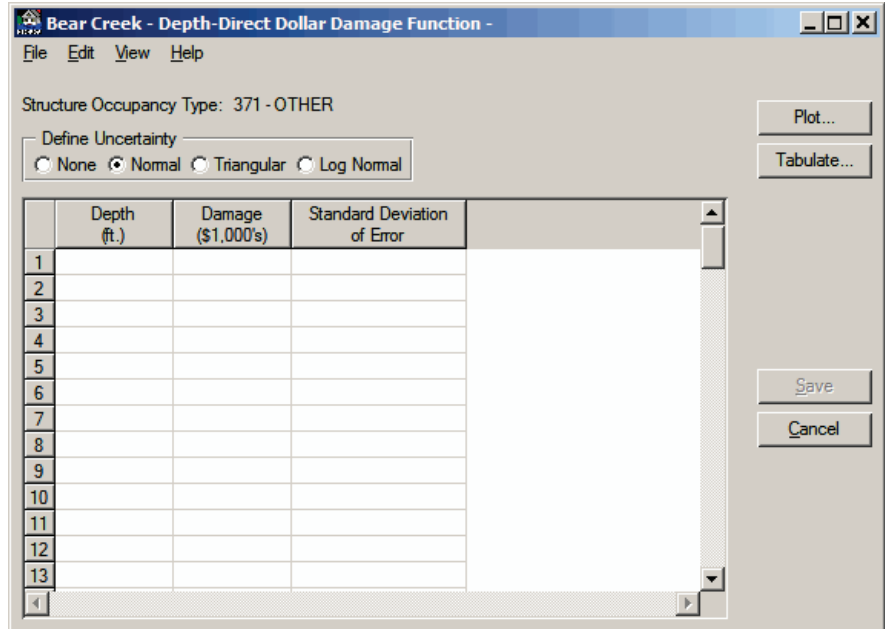
Figure 11.14 Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Other Dialog Box

distribution. The table will change with columns being adding depending on your choice.

4. To view a plot of your other depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Plot**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Plot - Other** dialog box will open (Figure 11.15).
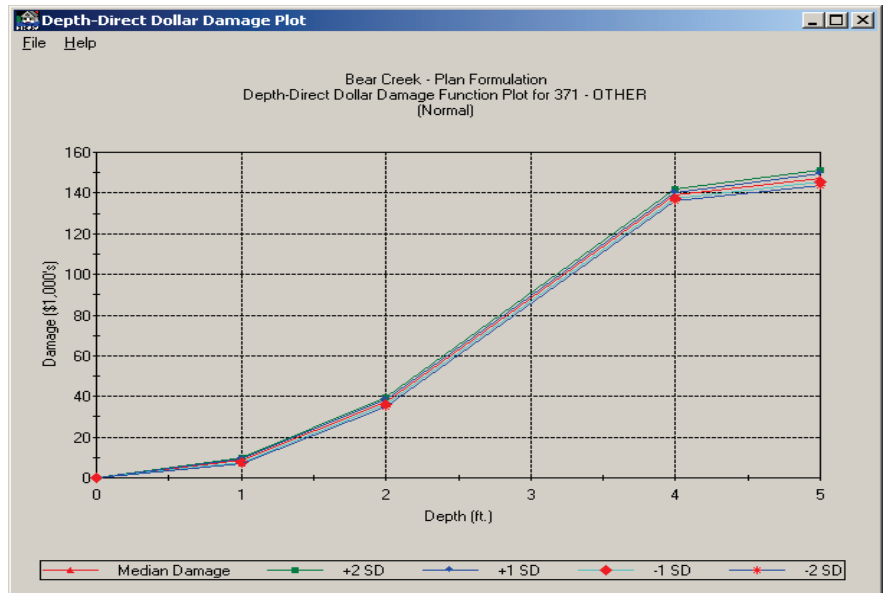
Figure 11.15 Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Other Dialog Box

5. To view the data of your other depth-direct dollar damage function in a report form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click

Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Other** dialog box will open (Figure 11.16).

Figure 11.16   Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Other Dialog Box

6. When you are finished defining your other depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Other** dialog box will close (see Figure 11.14, page 11-11) returning you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

Additional ways to create structures are provided from the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2):
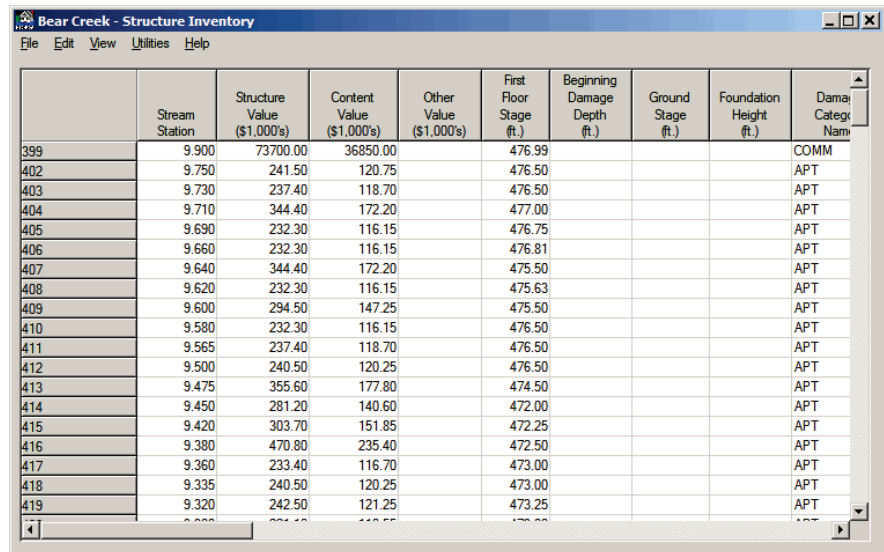
● From the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**, you can now enter a new structure from the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

-or-

● From the **Navigator Button** (see Chapter 2, Section 2.4.2, page 2-9), click the center of the button; you can now enter a new structure from the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

11.3   Entering Structure Inventory Data - Table

To create a structure:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Structure Inventory Data**.
2. The **Structure Inventory** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).
3. By default, FDA is in the "form" mode for structure inventory data entry. If you wish to entry data in the "table" form, from the **View**

menu of the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2), click **Table**. The **Structure Inventory** dialog box changes in to a table format (Figure 11.17).

Figure 11.17 Structure Inventory Dialog Box - Table

4.   The "table" is not a spreadsheet and has limited capabilities for manipulating data.

5.   To create a structure, from the **Edit** menu, click **New Record**. The **FDA Structure Name** dialog box will open (Figure 11.18). Type a name (required) in the **Enter Structure Name** box. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters. Each structure must have a unique name – two structures cannot have the same name. If the same structure is used in more than one module, it must have a unique name for each module. Click **OK**, the name you entered will now appear on the bottom of the table as a header for a row in the table.

Figure 11.18 FDA Structure Name Dialog Box

6.   Type the stream station (required) of where the structure is located on a stream in the **Stream Station** cell. Must be consistent between damage reach boundaries, damage reach index location, water surface profiles, and structure location. A valid value for a stream station is from -9,999,999.99 to 9,999,999.99. Defaults to the previous structure's stream station.

11.3.1 Values Associated with a Structure

7. Type the value of the structure (does not include the content value) in the **Structure Value** cell (Figure 11.19). A valid numeric value for the structure value ranges from 0 to 999,999,999.

8. Type the value of the contents (does not include the structure value)

Figure 11.19 Values Associated with a Structure

associated with the structure in the **Content Value** cell (Figure 11.19). A valid numeric value for the content value ranges from 0 to 999,999,999. If left blank, the contents value is computed from the content to structure value ratio that is defined in the occupancy type and the structure value. If a content value is entered, it will override the content value computed from the content to structure value ratio. If you enter zero, the content value will be zero. If the content damage is defined with a depth-direct dollar function, the content value is not used in the calculations.

9. Type the value of "other" property (does not include the structure value) such as outbuildings associated with the structure in the **Other Value** cell (Figure 11.19). A valid numeric value for the content value ranges from 0 to 999,999,999. If left blank, the "other" value is computed from the other to structure value ratio that is defined in the occupancy type and the structure value. If an "other" value is entered, it will override the "other" value computed from the other to structure value ratio. If you enter zero, the content value will be zero. If the "other" damage is defined with a depth-direct dollar function, the "other" value is not used in the calculations.

11.3.2 Structure Stages

10. If you are entering the stages (elevations) associated with the first floor of the structure, type a value in the **First Floor Stage** cell (Figure 11.20). Defaults to the previous structure's first floor stage. The value must be between -300 to 30,000. Optionally, the user can enter the beginning damage depth in feet (meters) relative to the

Figure 11.20 Structure Stages

first floor stage where damage begins. The beginning damage depth is normally used in the analysis of structures with basements where flood waters enter above basement floor. The beginning damage depth truncates the damage function at the specified depth. For example, if damage begins at one foot below the first floor stage, the beginning damage depth is set to -1. Type the value in the **Beginning Damage Depth** cell (see Figure 11.20, page 11-14).

11. In the **Ground Stage** cell (see Figure 11.20, page 11-14), type the value for the stage (elevation) of the ground at the structure, this value must be between -300 to 30,000. The user must also define the foundation height, which is the distance from the ground stage to the first floor stage. This value is entered in the **Foundation Height** cell (see Figure 11.20, page 11-14). Optionally, the user can enter the beginning damage depth in feet (meters) relative to the first floor stage where damage begins. The beginning damage depth is normally used in the analysis of structures with basements where flood waters enter above basement floor. The beginning damage depth truncates the damage function at the specified depth. For example, if damage begins at one foot below the first floor stage, the beginning damage depth is set to -1. Type the value in the **Beginning Damage Depth** cell (see Figure 11.20, page 11-14).

11.3.3 Structure Assignments

12. From the **Damage Category Name** cell (Figure 11.21), click, a drop-down list of available damage categories will appear. From the list select the damage category associated with the structure.

Figure 11.21 Structure Assignments

11. From the **Structure Occupancy Type** cell (Figure 11.21), click, a drop-down list of available structure occupancy types will appear. From that list select the structure occupancy type (required) associated with the structure. If you select the structure occupancy type of **Direct**, you will need to enter information for the depth-direct dollar damage function for that structure.

12. From the **Structure Module Name** cell (Figure 11.21), click, a drop-down list of available structure modules will appear. From that list select the structure module (required) associated with the structure.

13. From the **Stream Name** cell (see Figure 11.21, page 11-15), click, a drop-down list of available streams will appear. From that list select the stream (required) associated with the structure.

14. From the **Bank** cell (see Figure 11.21, page 11-15), click, a drop-down list of available bank locations will appear. From that list select the bank that the structure is located on.

15. The **Damage Reach Name** cell (see Figure 11.21, page 11-15) is not editable. The FDA program automatically calculates the damage reach name for a structure based on the stream station and the bank.

11.3.4 Optional Structure Information

17. The rest of the table contains the cells for optional information that can be entered for a structure. Definitions of the available items are listed in Section 11.5 (page 11-20).

11.3.5 Direct-Dollar Information for a Structure

18. If the user has selected a structure occupancy type of **Direct**, the user will need to enter the appropriate information for the direct-dollar associated with the structure. From the **Structure Occupancy Type** cell, **Direct** should be selected, right-click, and then drag to the appropriate item in the short-cut menu (Figure 11.22).

Figure 11.22 Direct-Dollar Information Shortcut Menu

19. To enter the error associated with the first floor stage of the structure, click **Edit First Flood Stage Error** from the shortcut menu (Figure 11.22). The **Error Associated with First Floor Stage** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.23, page 11-17). FDA assumes the normal distribution for first floor stage and you must enter a standard deviation for it even if it is zero (no uncertainty). This value is entered in the **stdev** box (see Figure 11.23, page 11-17).
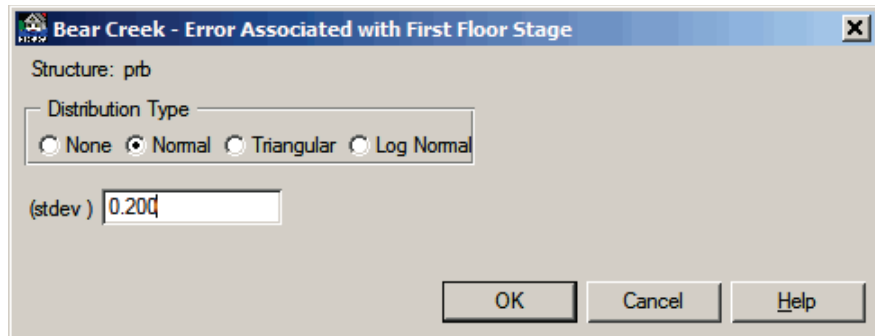
Figure 11.23 Error Associated with First Floor Stage Dialog Box

You then enter the direct-dollar damage versus stage functions and associated uncertainty for the structure, contents, and other as shown in Figure 11.22 (page 11-16). The direct-dollar functions are normally used to define unique damage potential such as some commercial, industrial, infrastructure, and public facilities.

Structure

To enter a structure depth-direct dollar damage function:

1. From the shortcut menu (see Figure 11.22, page 11-16), click **Edit Structure Damage Function**, the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Structure** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.8, page 11-7).
2. Enter the depth-direct dollar damage function in the table in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.
3. If you are calculating uncertainty, from the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 11.8, page 11-7) click the appropriate error distribution. The table will change with columns being adding depending on your choice.
4. To view a plot of your structure depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Function Plot**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Structure** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.9, page 11-8).
5. To view the data of your structure depth-percent damage function in a report form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Function Report**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Structure** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.10, page 11-8).
6. When you are finished defining your structure depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Structure** dialog box will close (see Figure 11.8, page 11-7) returning you to the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

Content

To enter a content depth-direct dollar damage function:

1. From the shortcut menu (see Figure 11.22, page 11-16), click **Edit Content Damage Function**, the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Content** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.11, page 11-9).
2. Enter the depth-direct dollar damage function in the table in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.
3. If you are calculating uncertainty, from the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 11.11. page 11-9) click the appropriate error distribution. The table will change with columns being adding depending on your choice.
4. To view a plot of your content depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Plot**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Plot - Content** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.12, page 11-10).
5. To view the data of your content depth-direct dollar damage function in a report form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Content** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.13, page 11-10).
6. When you are finished defining your content depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Content** dialog box will close (see Figure 11.11, page 11-9) returning you to the **Structure Inventory** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

Other

To enter another depth-direct dollar damage function:

1. From the shortcut menu (see Figure 11.22, page 11-16), click **Edit Other Damage Function**, the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Other** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.14, page 11-11).
2. Enter the depth-direct dollar damage function in the table in the **Depth** and **Damage** columns.
3. If you are calculating uncertainty, from the **Define Uncertainty** box (see Figure 11.14, page 11-11) click the appropriate error distribution. The table will change with columns being adding depending on your choice.
4. To view a plot of your other depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Plot**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Plot**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct**

Dollar Damage Function Plot - Other dialog box will open (see Figure 11.15, page 11-11).

5. To view the data of your other depth-direct dollar damage function in a report form, click **Tabulate**, or from the **View** menu click **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report**. Either way will open the **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function Report - Other** dialog box will open (see Figure 11.16, page 11-12).

6. When you are finished defining your other depth-direct dollar damage function, click **Save**. The **Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Function - Other** dialog box will close (see Figure 11.14, page 11-11) returning you to the **Study Structure Occupancy Types** dialog box (see Figure 11.1, page 11-2).

11.4   Deleting Structures

Structures may only be deleted one at a time – there is no global deletion of structures. It is very tedious to delete more than a few structures. If you need to delete a large number of structures, you can delete them in two ways:

1. Use Visual dBASE to delete records from the struct.dbf file, or
2. Export all the structures, copy the *struct.xxx* files from a study that has no data into your current study, and then import a new edited list of structures.

Using Visual dBASE to delete structures is fairly straightforward. You only need to open the *struct.dbf* file - you do not need to relate it to any other files. Select the records (structures); mark them for deletion, then pack the file.

The second method requires several steps:

1. Start FDA and open your current study containing records that you want to delete.
2. Export all of your structures to a delimited text file (see Appendix E for details).
3. Create a new study with no data except for a study title and a price index year.
4. Exit FDA.
5. Copy the files *struct.dbf, struct.dbt,* and *struct.mdx* from the new study into the subdirectory of your current study. This will give you an inventory with no structures.
6. Edit the exported structure file or an already existing structure file and create a delimited text file in the format required for importing a structure inventory.
7. Start FDA and import the delimited text file containing the new structure inventory.

11.5   Description of Structure Data Entry Variables

Damage Category Name: Select a previously defined damage category name. For table entry, a pick list is displayed by pressing the left mouse button.

Stream Name: Select a previously defined stream name. For table entry, a pick list is displayed by pressing the left mouse button.

Structure Occupancy Type: Select a previously defined structure occupancy type. For table entry, a pick list is displayed by pressing the left mouse button.

Structure Name: Required name for the defined structure, which is used to uniquely identify the structure and is displayed on reports and plots. The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters. Each structure must have a unique name – two structures cannot have the same name. If the same structure is used in more than one structure module, the structure must have a unique name for each structure module (see Chapter 10 for details on structure modules).

Stream Station: Study adopted stations along the stream normally denoted as miles (kilometers) above the mouth of the stream. Must be consistent between damage reach boundaries, damage reach index location, water surface profiles, and structure location. The range of allowable values is from 9,999,999.99 to 9,999,999.99.

Bank: Stream bank (looking downstream) where the structure is located. For structures, there are two hardwired choices (Left or Right), with Left being the default.

Structure Value: The value of the structure. It does not include the content value. A numeric value ranging from 0 to 999,999,999.

Content Value: The value of the contents associated with the structure. It does not include the structure (building) value. Numeric value ranging from 0 to 999,999,999. If left blank, the contents value is computed from the content to structure value ratio that is defined in the occupancy type and the structure value. If a content value is entered, it will override the content value computed from the content to structure value ratio. If you enter zero, the content value will be zero. If the content damage is defined with a depth-direct dollar function, the content value is not used in the calculations.

Other Value: The value of "other" property such as outbuildings associated with the structure. It does not include the structure (building) value. Numeric value ranging from 0 to 999,999,999. If left blank, the

other value is computed from the other to structure value ratio that is defined in the occupancy type and the structure value. If an other value is entered, it will override the other value computed from the other to structure value ratio. If you enter zero, the content value will be zero. If the other damage is defined with a depth-direct dollar function, the other value is not used in the calculations.

Ground Stage: The stage or elevation of the ground at the structure. Numeric value ranging from -300 to 30,000. You may enter either: 1) the ground stage and the foundation height, or 2) the first floor stage. If the ground stage is entered, you must also define the foundation height which is the distance from the ground stage to the first floor stage.

Foundation Height: The vertical distance between the ground stage and first floor stage at the structure. You may enter either: 1) the ground stage and the foundation height, or 2) the first floor stage. If the foundation height is entered, you must also define the ground stage.

Beginning Damage Depth: Optional depth in feet (meters) relative to the first floor stage where damage begins. It is normally used in the analysis of structures with basements where flood waters enter above basement floor. It truncates the damage function at the specified depth. For example, if damage begins at one foot below the first floor stage, the beginning damage depth is set to -1.

First Floor Stage: The stage or elevation of the first floor of the structure. Numeric value ranging from -300 to 30,000. You may enter either: 1) the ground stage and the foundation height, or 2) the first floor stage.

Structure Address: The Street, City, State, and Zip Code associated with the structure.

Structure Coordinates: The UTM or other study adopted coordinates associated with the structure location.

Notes: Optional notes about the structure.

Structure Image: Digital image (picture of the structure)

Number of Structures: The number of structures assumed to have identical attributes associated with this structure. FDA will compute stage-damage as if this structure was entered.

Year in Service: The year that a structure was built and occupied. By default, FDA assumes 1900. FDA uses the year in service to determine if the structure should be included in the stage-damage computations for a

given plan/year. For example, if the structure's year in service is 2030 and you are computing stage-aggregated damage for the year 2009, the structure would not be included in the computations.

SID Reach Name (SID Compatible data): The damage reach to which this structure's stage-damage functions are aggregated, it is normally left blank. If entered, then when you compute stage-aggregated damage, you must select the **Use SID Reaches** option.

Reference Flood Elevation (SID Compatible data): The stage associated with the SID reference flood, it is normally left blank. It can be used to aggregate damage to the index location in place of using the water surface profiles. If entered, then when you compute stage-aggregated damage, you must select the **Use SID Ref Flood** option.

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CHAPTER 12

Stage-Damage Functions

12.1   General

The Corps defines a stage-damage function as the relationship of direct economic costs caused by flood inundation to a range of flood stages for a given river or damage reach. Damage reaches are specific geographical areas within a floodplain. Stage-damage functions are different for residential structures and non-residential structures. See Appendix F for how a stage-damage function is developed and how uncertainty is applied (for further details see EM 1110-2-1619).

HEC-FDA provides two ways to enter stage-damage functions. You can enter stage-damage functions manually (see Section 12.2, page 12-3) from the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 12.1, page12-2). The stage-damage function with uncertainty is specified for a given plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach. A complete set of stage-damage functions for all categories, damage reaches, and streams must be entered to analyze a specific plan for an analysis year. The uncertainty is defined only by the normal probability density function. If there is no uncertainty, you must select the normal distribution and enter zeros for the standard deviations – don't leave the uncertainty field blank.

> *A **stage-damage function** is the relationship of direct economic costs caused by flood inundation to a range of flood stages for a given river or damage reach.*

The second way to create stage-damage functions is to let FDA create the stage-damage functions automatically. Section 12.10 (page 12-11) provides the steps required within FDA to automatically compute stage-damage functions. Appendix E provides an explanation of the calculation procedure used to compute stage-damage functions.

The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2) has a common **Menu Bar**. The **Menu Bar** contains the following common menus, for a description of the **Help** menu see Chapter 2 (see Section 2.4.6, page 2-11):

  File   This menu is used for file management and contains the
         following commands:
             Save: changes are saved for the stage-damage functions.
             Use an Existing Function: allows you to copy the selected
                stage-damage function to a selected assignment.

Figure 12.1 Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty Dialog Box

> **Close**: close the open dialog box; if changes have not been saved a warning message will appear.

Edit　This menu is used for editing stage-damage functions, traversing the records in a stage-damage function item list, creating stage-damage functions, and deleting stage-damage functions. The commands available are:

> **Cut/Copy/Paste**: the standard cut/copy/paste commands.
>
> **Insert Row:** on the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box from the table, this command allows you to insert a row above the selected row. To insert a row, you must highlight the row below where you want to insert a row by clicking on the row number at the far left of the table, on the **Edit** menu, click **Insert Row**. The new row will be inserted above the selected row.

Delete Row: on the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box from the table, this command allows you to delete a row anywhere in the table. To delete a row, you must highlight the entire row by clicking on the row number at the far left of the table, on the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Row**. The selected row will be deleted from the table.

Delete Assignment: this command deletes the assignment of a stage-damage function. Any stage-damage function that it is assigned to only one plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, damage reach, and then is deleted, will be removed from the study.

Global Assignment Copy: this command allows you to assign stage-damage functions to multiple plans and analysis years.

View   This menu is used to review what stage-damage functions have been created for the study; what assignments have been made, display graphically stage-damage functions, and display a report of the stage-damage functions. The commands available are:

Stage-Damage Function Assignments: this command displays a report that gives you information on the assignments that have been made for the stage-damage functions.

List of Stage-Damage Functions: this command displays a report that will give you a list of stage-damage functions that have been defined for the study.

Stage-Damage Function Plot: this command displays a graphical representation of a stage-damage function.

Stage-Damage Function Report: this command displays a report of a stage-damage function.

12.2   Entering a Stage-Damage Function Manually

In FDA you can enter stage-damage functions manually or FDA can calculate the stage-damage function (see Section 12.9, page 12-10). If you have manually entered stage-damage functions, and then decide to have FDA calculate the stage-damage functions, you will lose your manually entered stage-damage functions. Therefore, it is recommended that you use on methodology for entering stage-damage functions into a study. To enter a stage-damage function manually:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).

3. For each plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach combination; a stage-damage function will be assigned. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate damage category from the **Damage Category** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (Figure 12.2).

Plan:	Without		Stream:	S Fork Bear	
Analysis Year:	2016		Damage Reach:	SF-8	
Damage Category:	APT				

Figure 12.2 Assignment Items for Stage-Damage Functions

4. For stage-damage functions, the uncertainty by default is Normal and you cannot choose any other uncertainty type. If there is no uncertainty, you must enter zeros for the **Standard Deviation of Error** in the table (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2) - don't leave the uncertainty field blank.

5. Enter the stage and damage values for your stage-damage function in the table on the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).

6. Enter a name (required) in the **Function** box (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2). The maximum length is thirty-two (32) characters.

7. Enter a description (optional but recommended) in the **Description** box (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2). The maximum length is sixty-four (64) characters.

8. Click **Save**, the stage-damage function is added, and assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach.

9. When you are finished with creating stage-damage functions, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2)

12.3   Delete a Stage-Damage Function

Since stage-damage functions are assigned to a plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach you are deleting the assignment of that particular stage-damage function to a plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach. Any stage-damage function that it is assigned to only one plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, damage reach, and then is deleted, will be removed from the study. To delete a stage-damage function:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).

3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach; this will give you the stage-damage function you wish to delete (see Figure 12.2, page 12-4).

4. On the **Edit** menu, click **Delete Assignment**, a warning message will appear asking you if you really wish to delete this stage-damage function assignment. Click **Yes**, the stage-damage function is no longer assigned to the selected plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach.

5. When you are finished, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).

12.4   List of Stage-Damage Functions

To review the stage-damage functions you have entered for your study, FDA provides a report. To access the report do the following:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.

2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).

3. On the **View** menu, click **List of Stage-Damage Functions**, the **List of Stage-Damage Functions** dialog box will open (Figure 12-3).

Figure 12.3 List of Stage-Damage Functions Dialog Box

4. This report can be printed, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.

5.   When you are finished reviewing this report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **List of Stage-Damage Functions** dialog box will close.

12.5   Stage-Damage Function Plot

To view a stage-damage function graphically:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).
3.   Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 12.2, page 12-4); this will give you the stage-damage function you wish to view graphically.
4.   On the **View** menu, click **Stage-Damage Function Plot**, the **Stage-Damage Plot** dialog box will open (Figure 12.4).
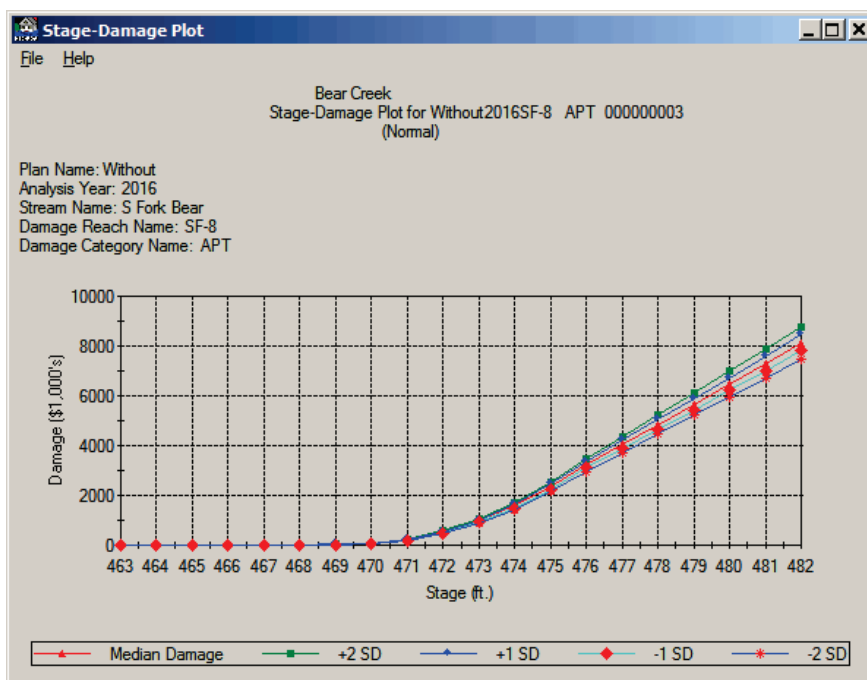
Figure 12.4 Stage-Damage Plot Dialog Box

5.   When you are finished reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Damage Plot** dialog box will close.

12.6   Stage-Damage Function Report

To view a stage-damage function in a report:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).
3. Select the appropriate plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 12.2, page 12-4); this will give you the stage-damage function you wish to view in tabular form.
4. On the **View** menu, click **Stage-Damage Function Report**, the **Stage-Damage Function Report** dialog box will open (Figure 12.5).
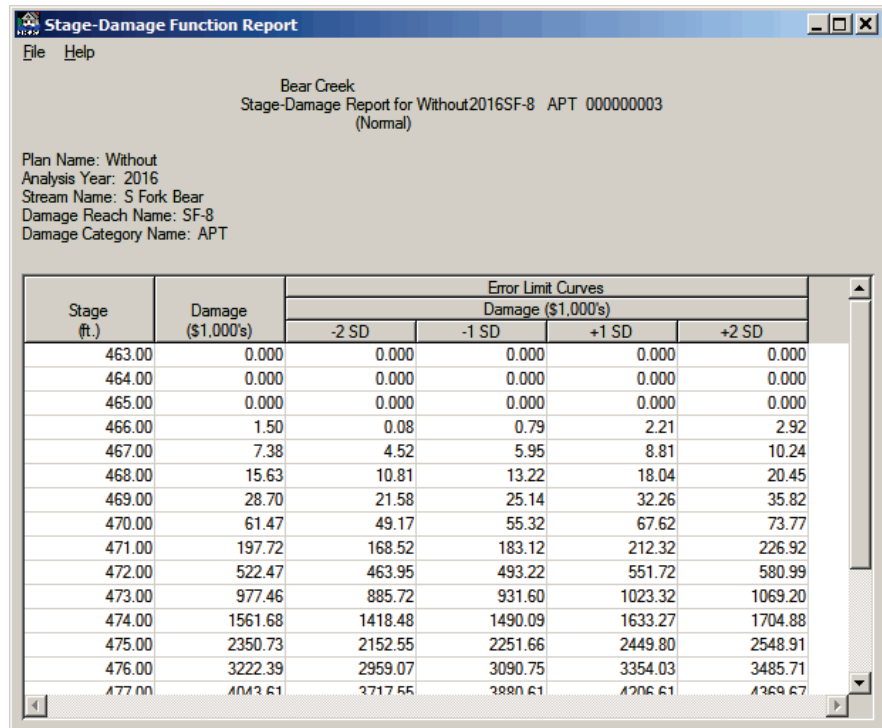
Figure 12.5 Stage-Damage Function Report Dialog Box

5. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Damage Function Report** dialog box will close.

12.7   Assigning an Existing Stage-Damage Function to a Different Plan, Analysis Year, Damage Category, Stream, Damage Reach Combination

You can assign a stage-damage function to another plan; analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach combination. There are two ways to accomplish this assignment. The first way is to assign a stage-damage function individually:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).
3. Select a plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach (see Figure 12.2, page 12-4) that does not have an assigned stage-damage function.
4. Either click **Use an Existing Function** (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2), or from the **File** menu, click **Use an Existing Function**, either way, the **Copy Aggregate Stage-Damage Function** dialog box will open (Figure 12.6).
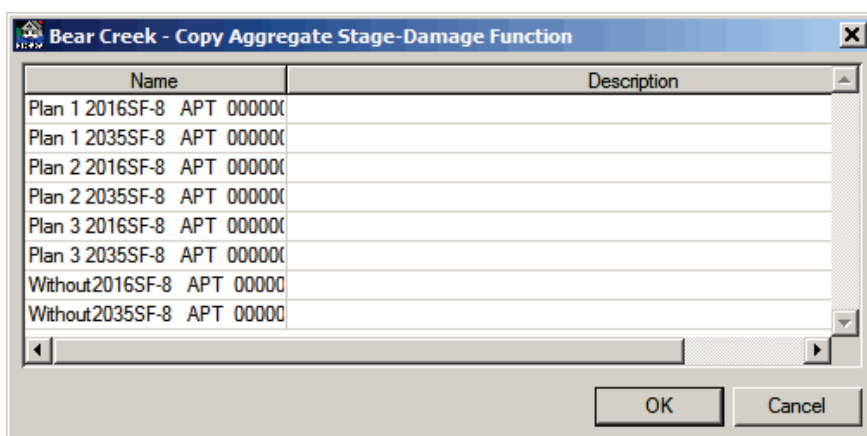
Figure 12.6 Copy Aggregate Stage-Damage Function Dialog Box

5. Based on the stream, damage reach, and damage category selected, FDA uses an automated filtering system that will only provide a list of stage-damage functions that are available for the selected stream, damage reach, and damage category. From the table select the stage-damage function that you want to assign to the selected plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach. Click **OK**, the **Copy Aggregate Stage-Damage Function** dialog box will close.
6. From the **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2) click **Save**, this will save the assignment of the stage-damage function to the selected plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach.
7. You do not need to change the name of the stage-damage function unless you make some other kind of change that is specifically for that plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach.

The other way is to assign a stage-damage function to multiple plans and analysis years:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).
3. On the **Edit** menu, click **Global Assignment Copy**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will open (Figure 12.7).
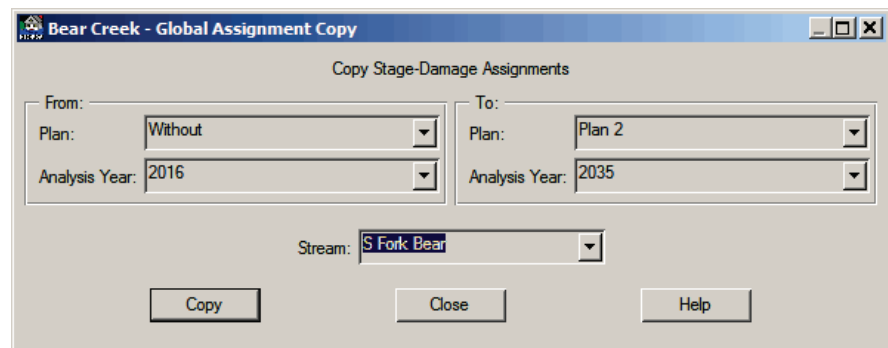
Figure 12.7 Global Assignment Copy Dialog Box

4. The **From** box is where you select the plan and analysis year that includes the stage-damage function you want to assign. The **To** box is the plan and analysis year that you are going to assign the stage-damage function to. In the example (Figure 12.7), the stage-damage function for the *Without* plan and *2016* analysis year, will be assigned to *Plan 2* and analysis year *2035*. There is also an **All** options which allows you to make assignments to all plans and all analysis years.
5. Once you have made your selections click **Copy**, a warning message will appear asking you if this is really what you want to do, click **Yes**, the warning message closes. Click **Close**, the **Global Assignment Copy** dialog box will close (Figure 12.7). The assignments are automatically saved.
6. To verify that the stage-damage function assignments have been made, you need to review the **Stage-Damage Function Assignments** report (see Section 12.8).

12.8   List of Stage-Damage Function Assignments

To check to see if your assignments have been done and are correct, you need to review the assignment report:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).

4. On the **View** menu, click **Stage-Damage Function Assignments** the **Stage-Damage Function Assignments** dialog box will open (Figure 12.8).

Figure 12.8 Stage-Damage Function Assignments Dialog Box

5. To print this report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**.
6. When you are finished reviewing the report, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Stage-Damage Function Assignments** dialog box will close (Figure 12.8).

12.9   Rename a Stage-Damage Function

If you want to rename a stage-damage function:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Enter/Edit/View Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Stage-Damage Function at Index Location with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2).
3. For each plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach combination; a stage-damage function will be assigned. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate damage category from the **Damage Category** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach** list (see Figure 12.2, page 12-4).
4. In the **Function** box (see Figure 12.1, page 12-2) enter a new name for the selected stage-damage function. HEC recommends the name be descriptive of the damage reach, damage category, and analysis year.

5. Click **Save**, since FDA creates a new stage-damage function for each plan, analysis year, damage category, stream, and damage reach combination, then the stage-damage function is renamed. If you rename a stage-damage function that is assigned to more than one plan, analysis year, stream, damage reach, and damage category, then a warning message will appear (Figure 12. 9) asking you if you want this name change to affect only the selected assignment, change the name for all assignments, or cancel.
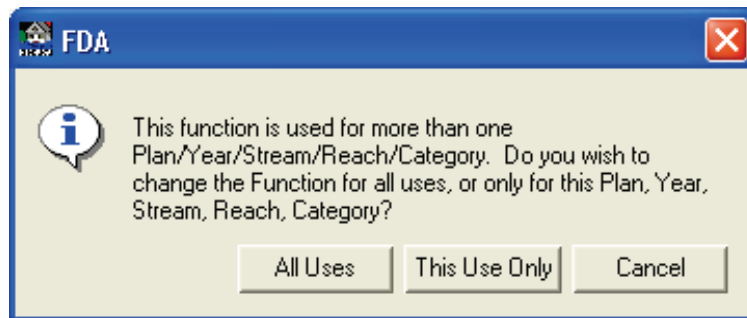
Figure 12.9 Renaming an Assigned Stage-Damage Function Warning Message

12.10 Compute Stage-Damage Functions

For FDA to compute stage-damage functions the program requires the following information and the uncertainty about that information: depth-percent damage functions, first floor elevations, and structure and content values. In addition, a complete set of water surface profiles (eight profiles) must be available (see Chapter 4, Section 4.2, page 4-4). Additionally, it is a good idea to have discharge exceedance probability functions and stage- discharge functions for the stage-damage function computations (see Appendix E for details).

From the **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (Figure 12.10), you specify the plan and analysis year to compute the stage-damage function with uncertainty at the damage reach
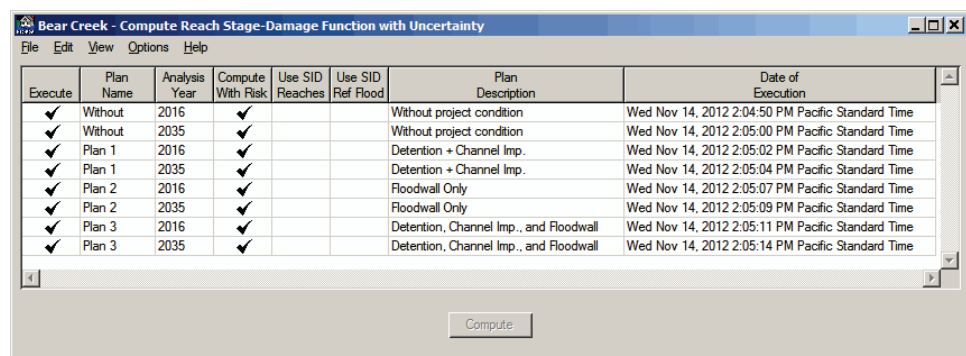
Figure 12.10 Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty Dialog Box

index location stations by study damage categories. In Figure 12.10 (page 12-11), stage-damage functions are being computed for selected plans and analysis years. To compute stage-damage functions:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2. The **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11).
3. Select the plan and analysis years for which you wish to compute stage-damage functions. From the **Edit** menu, click **Select All** if you wish to compute all plans and analysis years. By using the **CTRL** and **SHIFT** keys in combination with your mouse click, you can select which ever plan and analysis year you want.
4. From the table you can specify whether to perform the analysis with or without risk, or use previous applied HEC-SID analyses by clicking on the cell under the appropriate column of the table.
5. Click **Compute**, the **Aggregate Stage-Damage Computation Status** dialog box will open (Figure 12.11).
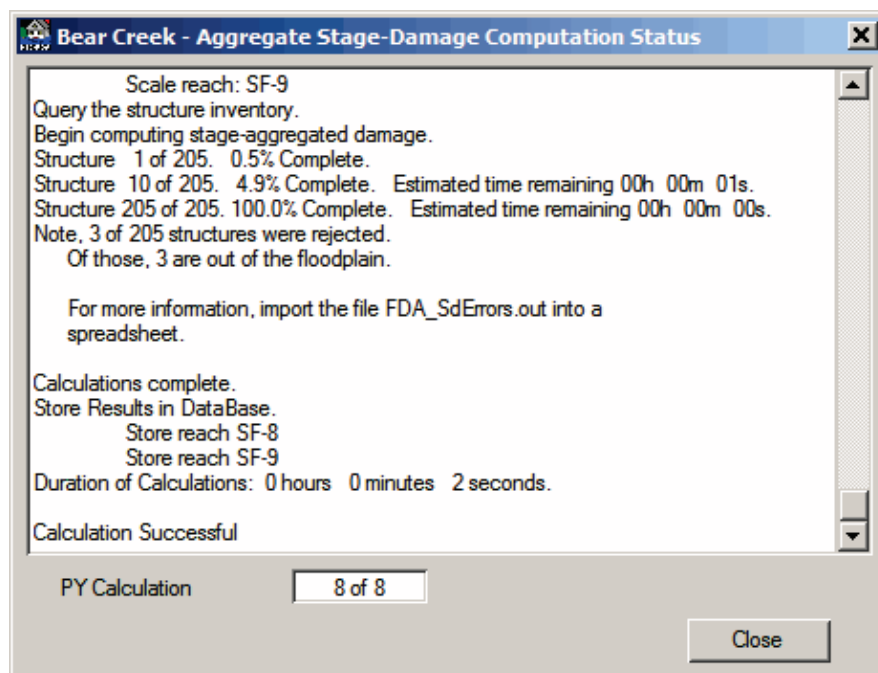
Figure 12.11 Aggregate Stage-Damage Computation Status Dialog Box

6. The **Aggregate Stage-Damage Computation Status** dialog box will provide information on the compute process. All streams, damage reaches, and damage category functions are computed for the specified plan and analysis year during a single program execution. The results will overwrite previous results including any manually entered stage-damage functions.

7. Click **Close**, the **Aggregate Stage-Damage Computation Status** dialog box will close (see Figure 12.11, page 12-12), and you will be returned to the **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box.

8. A check mark will be placed in the **Execute** column of the table and a date of execution will appear in the **Date of Execution** column of the table.

9. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will close (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11).

10. Stage-damage functions that are created by HEC-FDA Version 1.2.5a are given a default name that is automatically generated, *AggDamg######*. An example is *AggDamg001215*, also there is no default description. With Version 1.4, when FDA creates a new function, the name is made up of parts of the plan, year, reach, and category names with a number. An example name is:

    Without2016SF-8   APT   000000003

    The name is formed from the first seven characters of the plan name, the four characters for the year, the first seven characters for the reach name, and the first five characters of the category name.

12.11   Stage-Damage Compute Options

From the **Compute Read Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11), there are several options you can set for the compute. There are two types of compute options:

(1) Options that can vary by plan and analysis year, and
(2) Options that apply globally to all plans and analysis years.

You must exercise caution when changing options between stage-damage computations. FDA will not mark results as invalid when compute options are changed. Some of the options control calculations (e.g., the number of simulations, the use of risk analysis, etc.), and some control the output (e.g., detailed stage-damage and Monte-Carlo simulation output by structure, etc.). If a compute option is changed, there is no effect on the results but if stage-damage is calculated, the expected annual damage results are marked as invalid.

12.11.1 Compute Options by Plan and Analysis Year

The options that vary by plan and analysis year are set in the **Compute Read Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11). The options that may be set are:

● **Compute With Risk** column (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11). If selected, FDA will use all uncertainties in values (structure, content, other), first floor stage, and depth-damage functions to compute stage-damage. If not selected, the stage-damage is computed without using any of the uncertainties. Computing without uncertainties reduces computational time and is useful when first analyzing the data.

● **Use SID Reaches** column (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11). If selected, FDA will use the SID reach name to determine the damage reach to which the current structure's stage-damage function is aggregated. If not selected, FDA computes the damage reach based upon the structure's stream name, station, and bank and the damage reach definitions. As mentioned earlier, if insufficient data is available to determine the damage reach from the selected option, FDA tries to determine the damage reach from the alternative option.

● **Use SID Reference Flood** column. If selected, FDA uses the SID reference flood water surface profile to aggregate individual structure stage-damage functions to the index location. If not selected, FDA uses the eight water surface profiles to aggregate individual structure stage-damage to the index location. As mentioned earlier, if insufficient data is available to aggregate stage-damage using the selected option, FDA tries to aggregate using the alternative option.

12.11.2 Global Compute Options

To set the compute options that are global for all plans and analysis years:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Economics** menu, click **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty**.
2.   The **Compute Reach Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.10, page 12-11).
3.   On the **Options** menu, click **Compute Options**, the **Global Options for Stage-Damage Computation** dialog box will open (see Figure 12.12, page 12-15).
4.   From the **Global Options for Stage-Damage Computation** dialog box you can set the following compute and output options for the stage-damage calculation:

     ● **No. of Monte-Carlo Simulations.** You can set the number of Monte-Carlo Simulations at each stage ordinate in the stage damage function; default value is one hundred.
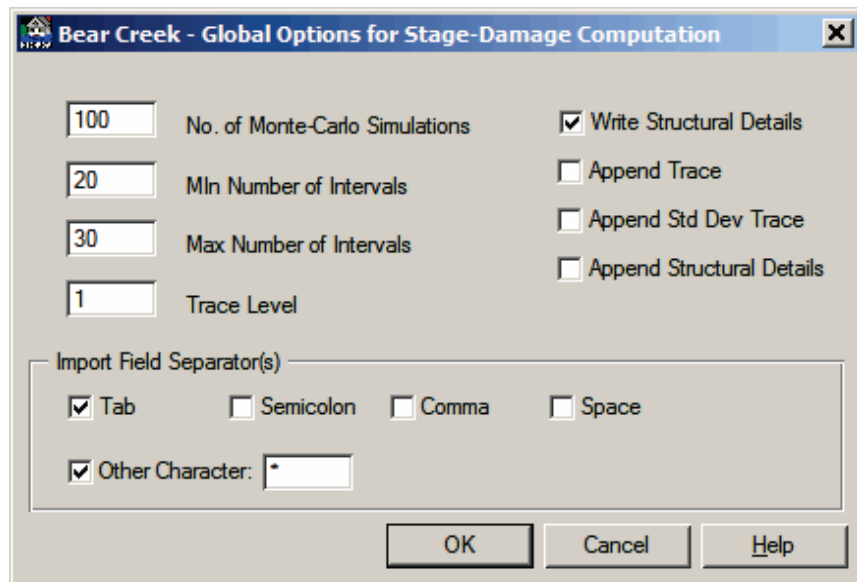
Figure 12.12   Global Options for Stage-Damage Computation Dialog
                          Box

- **Min Number of Intervals.** With this option you can set the
  range in the number of ordinates in the stage aggregated
  damage function. The program will determine the actual
  number by determining a stage increment between ordinates
  that is one of the numbers 1, 2, or 5 times some power of ten.
  For example, it may pick an increment of 1, 2, 5, 10, or 20
  feet between ordinates, but not 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, etc. feet. The
  range of stages is computed from the discharge-exceedance
  probability and rating curves. If they are not entered, the
  stages are computed from the water surface profiles. If none
  of that information is available, FDA cannot determine the
  stages and cannot compute stage-aggregated damage. The
  maximum number of stage ordinates is sixty. The default
  value is twenty.

- **Max. Number of Intervals.** With this option you can set the
  range in the number of ordinates in the stage aggregated
  damage function. The program will determine the actual
  number by determining a stage increment between ordinates
  that is one of the numbers 1, 2, or 5 times some power of ten.
  For example, it may pick an increment of 1, 2, 5, 10, or 20
  feet between ordinates, but not 3, 4, 6, 8, 11, etc. feet. The
  range of stages is computed from the discharge-exceedance
  probability and rating curves. If they are not entered, the
  stages are computed from the water surface profiles. If none
  of that information is available, FDA cannot determine the
  stages and cannot compute stage-aggregated damage. The
  maximum number of stage ordinates is sixty. The default
  value is thirty.

● **Trace Level.** This option controls the amount of output written to the files *FDA_SDmg.out, FDA_SdErrors.out*, and *FDA_SDev.out* when stage aggregated damage is computed. Default value is fifty.

Output written to the file *FDA_SDmg.out* includes information about the date and time of the compute, study name, description, the subdirectory in which the data is stored and the plan and analysis year that was computed. It also

details the calculation of the range and increment of stages for the stage aggregated damage matrix for each damage reach. Additional detailed information about each structure is written if the trace level is high enough. All output is cumulative with the trace level; if it is written at TraceLevel = 1, then it is written at TraceLevel = 5.

Output written to the file *FDA_SdErrors.out* includes errors in processing structure information (e.g. it cannot determine the damage reach; there is no structure occupancy type, etc.).

Output written to *FDA_SDev.out* is related strictly to the Monte Carlo simulation. **Trace Level** must be greater than forty-nine (49) to write any information to this file.

You have the option of appending results to several of the files. If you do not append results, the file is initialized before each plan/analysis year calculation. For example, if you don't append results to the file and you compute stage-damage for the plan/analysis year combinations of Without plan and Analysis Year 2016 and Without plan and Analysis Year 2035, the file will contain results only for the Without plan and Analysis Year 2035. The plan/analysis year of Without plan and Analysis Year 2016 is overwritten.

The following describes the level of output as a function of the trace level:

Trace Level	Description
0	No output is written to the files *Fda_SDmg.out, Fda_SDev.out*, and *Fda_SdErrors.out*. Data is written to the file *Fda_StrucDetail.out* if you select that option.
>0	Header information is written to each file except the *Fda_SDev.out* file. The header

information includes the date/time of calculation, study name, description, the subdirectory in which the data is stored and the plan/year of calculations. The file *Fda_SDmg.out* contains stage-aggregated damage functions with uncertainty for structure, contents, other, and total for all streams and reaches for the selected plan/year. The file *Fda_SdErrors.out* contains a summary line of structure errors.

>4   Basic structure information including structure name, address, etc. is written to the file *Fda_SDmg.out*. Those structures that have errors are written to the file *Fda_SdErrors.out*. Each row contains data about one structure and indicates the source of the problem.

>9   Tabulation of stage-aggregated damage for each structure is written to the file *Fda_SDmg.out*. It includes structure, content, other, and total. Detailed data validation for all structures is written to *FDA_SdErrors.ou*t, one structure per row.

>49   Header information and a detailed table of Monte-Carlo simulation results for each structure are written to the file *FDA_SDev.out*.

>99   Internal debug information that is not related to the computations is written to the files *Fda_SDmg.out* and *Fda_SDev.out*.

- **Write Structural Details**. This option controls the output of detailed structure information. If not selected, FDA will not write detailed information for each structure to the file *FDA_StrucDetail.out*. If selected (default),FDA writes detailed structure information to file *FDA_StrucDetail.out*. One row is written for each structure in tab delimited text format. It includes all structure attributes entered by you as well as stage, depth, damage at each of the computed water surface profile stages.

- **Append Trace**. If not selected (default), FDA will overwrite any existing output written to the files *FDA_SDmg.out* and

FDA_SdErrors.out. If selected, output will be appended to existing information.

- **Append Std Dev Trace**. If not selected (default), FDA will overwrite any existing output written to the file *FDA_SDev.out*. If selected, output will be appended to existing information.

- **Append Structural Details**. If not selected (default), FDA will overwrite any existing output written to the file *FDA_StrucDetail.out*. If checked, output will be appended to the existing information.

- **Import Field Separator(s)**. This option defines characters which are used to parse fields in delimited text files which are imported into FDA. The **TAB** character is the preferred (default) option and must be used for importing ASCII tab-delimited text files such as structure inventory files created.

12.12 Data Entry Variables for Stage-Damage Functions

Plan Name: Select a previously defined plan name.

Stream Name: Select a previously defined stream name.

Analysis Year: Select a previously defined analysis year.

Damage Reach: Select a previously defined damage reach.

Damage Category: Select a previously defined damage category.

Stage-Damage Function Name: Required name for the defined stage-damage function, which is used for reports and plots. This name associates a stage-damage function with a plan, stream, year, damage reach, and damage category. We recommend the name be descriptive of the location (damage reach), type of damage property (damage category), and analysis year. For example, the name "DR1 APT 2009" conveys the stage-damage function is for damage reach *DR1*, damage category *Apartment,* and analysis year *2009*. The maximum length for a given stage-damage function name is thirty-two (32) characters.

Computed stage-damage functions are automatically assigned a unique name such as "AggDamg001215", which can be changed (see Section 12.9, page 12-10).

Stage-Damage Function Description: Optional description of the defined stage-damage function. The maximum length is sixty-four (64)

characters. Automatically computed stage-damage functions do not have a description, but a description can be added.

Stage-Damage Uncertainty: You may select only the normal distribution to define the uncertainty for the stage-damage relationship. If there is no uncertainty, enter zeros (not blanks) for all standard deviations of error.

12.13 References

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CHAPTER 13

Evaluation

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In general, data developed and displayed under **HydEng** and **Economics** represent the best estimates of the median values of the exceedance probability, stage, and damage functions for without- and with-project conditions. Uncertainty parameters of the functions are also developed for study conditions. The analyses performed and results displayed use the median valued functions and associated uncertainties as input to produce expected values as output. The computational procedure used is Monte Carlo. Appendix H describes the computation procedures in detail.

13.1   Study Status Report

The **Study Status Report** dialog box (Figure 13.1) displays the completeness of the study data by plans and analysis years. The report keys off the assignment tables for each of the individual functions.
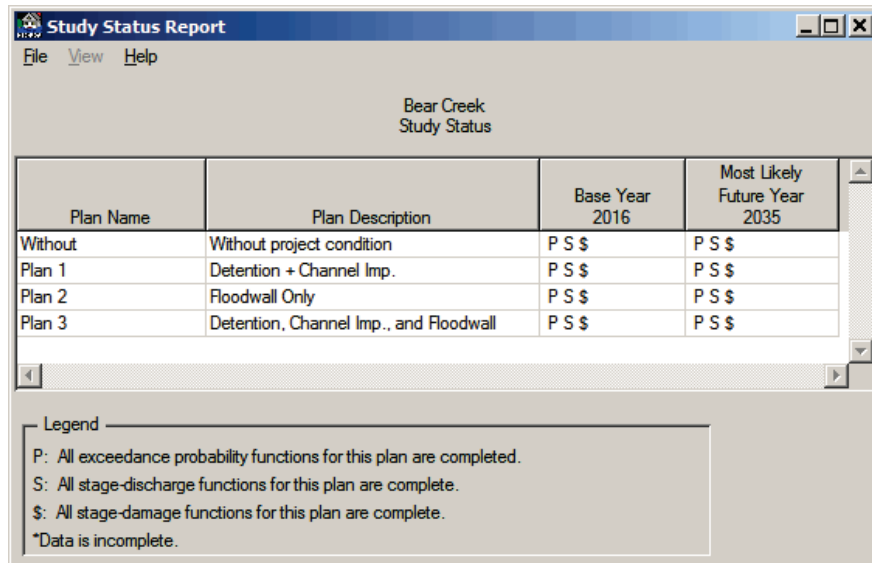
Figure 13.1 Study Status Report Dialog Box

To review that status of the study data:

1. From the HEC-FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Evaluation** menu, click **Study Status Report**.

2. The **Study Status Report** dialog box will open (see Figure 13.1, page 13-1).

3. The table on the **Study Status Report** dialog box is organized by plan and analysis year. Each defined analysis year has a separate column – **Base Year**, **Most Likely Future Year.** If the data set is complete, in the cell will be the string **PS$**, which is stating that the data set is complete. The characters in the string have the following meaning:

    P in the first character of the string, a **P** indicates that the exceedance probability functions for all streams and damage reaches for the selected plan and analysis year are complete

    S in the second character of the string, an **S** indicates that the stage-discharge functions for all streams and damage reaches for the selected plan and analysis year are complete

    $** in the third character of the string, a **$ indicates that the stage-damage functions for all streams, damage categories, and damage reaches for the selected plan and analysis year are complete

4. If an asterisk (*) appears in the sting, this is an indication that something is wrong with the data set for that plan and analysis year. Depending on the location of the asterisk in the string, you will need to return to the appropriate function (exceedance probability, stage-discharge, stage-damage) and review the data for that plan and analysis year.

5. Once you have reviewed the plan and analysis years, on the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Study Status Report** dialog box will close.

6. It is recommended that you review the **Study Status Report** dialog box (see Figure 13.1, page 13-1) before attempting to compute the plan and analysis year damage and performance results.

13.2   Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year

Computation of expected annual damage (EAD), which also includes project performance.

The computation of expected annual damage (EAD) is the first step in the overall computation process in FDA. FDA combines the exceedance probability functions, stage-discharge functions, and structure inventory data to compute EAD. See Appendix G for further details on the FDA computation procedures.

Plan and damage reach project performance analyses are based on target standards defined for without-project conditions for the study. There are three different cases for determining the target:

1. For reaches without levees, the target is based on an estimate of the stage at which significant damage begins for the without condition,
2. For reaches with a levee that have no geotechnical failure, the target is the top of levee stage, and
3. For reaches with a levee that have geotechnical failure, the target is based on both the annual exceedance probability and the probability of failure.

For reaches without levees, the standards used by the FDA program are based on the residual damage associated with a specific exceedance probability event. Performance targets are essentially the zero damage stage but normally consider minor damage to the infrastructure as acceptable and significant damage to structures as not acceptable. Consistent criteria for comparing the impacts of different measures and plans are also a goal. Experience at HEC has shown that a 5 percent residual damage associated with the .01 exceedance probability event is normally a good target stage and was adopted as the FDA default. You may enter other values if they are deemed better for your study conditions. The same values must be used for all calculations.

Computing expected annual damage:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Evaluation** menu, click **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year**.
2. The **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year** dialog box will open (Figure 13.2).
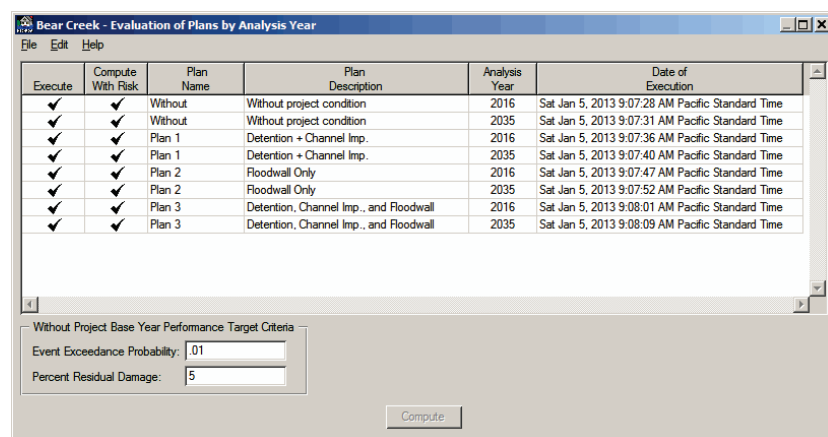
Figure 13.2 Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year Dialog Box

3. The table displays the plans and analysis years that are available for computation. To select all plans and analysis years for computation, on the **Edit** menu, click **Select All**. You can use the **CTRL** key to individually select plans and analysis years for computation. The without project plan must have been successfully computed before any other plans can be computed.

4. For the without plan, base year; performance target criteria is used to compute the plan's annual exceedance probability, long-term risk, and conditional non-exceedance probability. The performance target is a stage that is defined by entering values in the **Event Exceedance Probability** and the **Percent Residual** boxes (see Figure 13.2, page 13-3). The target stage is the stage at which a percentage of a specified event's damages occur. For example, in Figure 13.2 (page 13-3), the target criteria can be the stage that results in damage equal to *5%* (default value) of the damage attributed to the *0.01* (default value) Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) stage.

Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP) is the probability that flooding will occur in any given year considering the full range of possible annual floods.

5. If you want to compute without using uncertainty, from the table in the **Compute With Risk Column** (see Figure 13.2, page 13-3), click the cell of the plan and analysis year that you do not want uncertainty computed. The check mark will clear, and the computation for that plan and analysis will not include uncertainty. The computation without uncertainty is performed in the same way as conventional studies prior to risk analysis being required. The computed probability function is internally replaced by the expected probability function and then used along with the stage-discharge and damage-stage functions without uncertainty to compute expected annual damage.

6. Once you have selected the plans and analysis years you want to computer click **Compute**. The **EAD Computation Status** dialog box will open (Figure 13.3). This dialog box will provide you with information about the compute process.
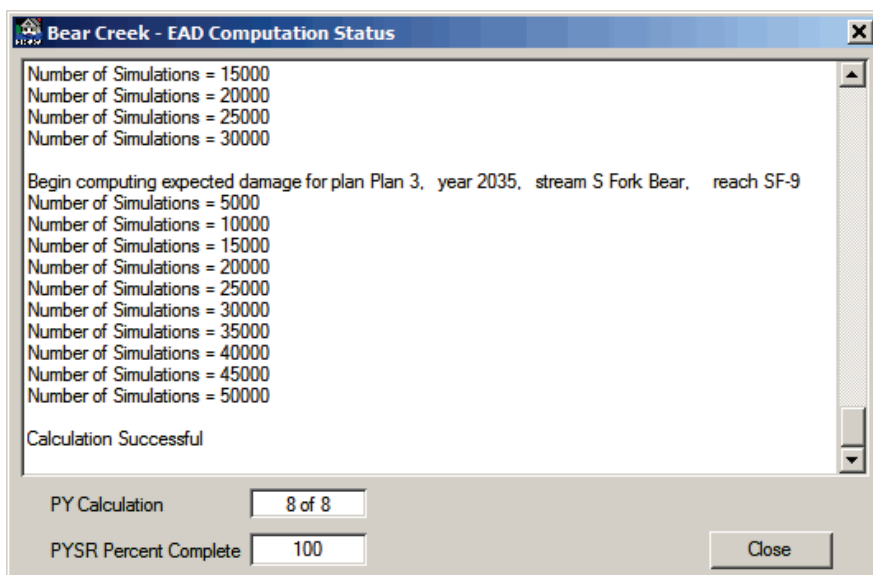
Figure 13.3 EAD Computation Status Dialog Box

7. When the compute is complete, click **Close**, the **EAD Computation Status** dialog box will close (Figure 13.3) and return you to the **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year** dialog box (see

Figure 13.2, page 13-3). A check mark will appear in the **Execute** column of the table, along with a date stamp of the compute in the **Date of Execution** column of the table.

8.   On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year** dialog box will close (see Figure 13.2, page 13-3).

9.   If anything in the data set for a plan and analysis year has changed, when you open the **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 13.2, page 13-3), the check mark will no longer appear in the **Execute** column for that plan and analysis year, which means you need to re-compute.

13.3   Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis

The next step in the compute process is the computation of equivalent annual damage. The expected annual damage computation for the base and most likely future conditions analysis years of a plan must be successfully computed before you can compute equivalent annual damage analysis.

The flood damages associated with a plan are calculated in average annual equivalent terms (see ER 1105-2-100). The procedures discount the expected annual damage stream to the beginning of the period of analysis or the base year. Future year damage values are linearly interpreted between the base and most likely future year conditions and assumed constant from the most likely future year to the end of the analysis period. The analysis period (project life) is the period of time over which the plan has significant beneficial or adverse effects. It is normally 50 years and is not to exceed 100 years.

Computing equivalent annual damage:

1.   From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Evaluation** menu, click **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis.**

2.   The **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box will open (Figure 13.4).

Figure 13.4 Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis Dialog Box

3. In the **Analysis Period** box, you must enter the analysis period in years, default is *50* years.
4. In the **Discount Rate** box (see Figure 13.4, page 13-5), you must enter the discount rate in percent, default is *7.625* percent.
5. The table displays the plans and analysis years that are available for computation. To select all plans and analysis years for computation, on the **Edit** menu, click **Select All**. You can use the **CTRL** key to individually select plans and analysis years for computation.
6. Once you have selected the plans and analysis years you want to computer click **Compute**. When the compute is complete, a check mark will appear in the **Execute** column of the table, along with a date stamp of the compute in the **Date of Execution** column of the table.
7. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box will close (see Figure 13.4, page 13-5).
8. If the expected annual damage computation has be re-computed for a plan, when you open the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 13.4, page 13-5), the check mark will no longer appear in the **Execute** column for that plan, which means you need to re-compute.

13.4   References

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CHAPTER 14

Damage by Analysis Year Reports

The Damage by Analysis Year reports display the results of the computation of expected annual damage (EAD).

These reports display the results of the evaluation of plans by analysis years analyses (see Chapter 13, Section 13.2, page 13-2), and are consistent with requirements of Corps planning regulations for formulation and evaluation of flood damage reduction plans. These reports are grouped into three areas - general information, damage reach summaries, and expected annual damage.

The computation of the uncertainty about graphical probability functions has changed in Version 1.4 of HEC-FDA. When graphical probability functions are used, the reports will have an additional line in the header of
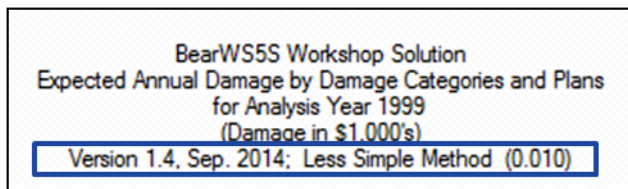
the report. The information contained in this line is: the version of HEC-FDA; the method used for computing the uncertainty for a graphical probability function; and, the point at which the standard error becomes constant in the graphical probability function.

To access the damage by analysis year reports:

1. From the HEC-FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Evaluation** menu, point to **Results**, click **Damage by Analysis Years**.
2. The **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box will open (Figure 14.1).
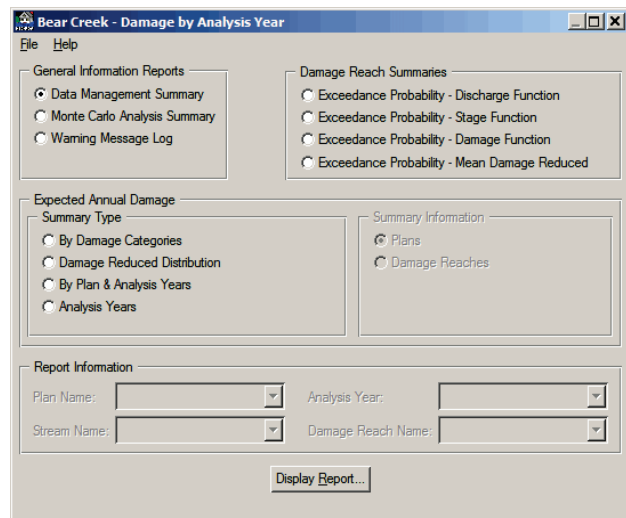
Figure 14.1 Damage by Analysis Year Dialog Box

14.1   General Information Reports

The **General Information Reports** (Figure 14.2) provide information on what plans and analysis years were computed for the evaluation of plans by analysis years, the Monte Carlo computation by plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach, and warning information for each computation.
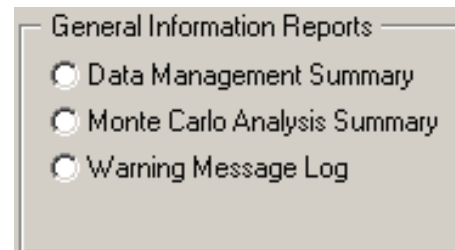
Figure 14.2 General Information Reports Box

14.1.1 Data Management Summary

General information reports provide information on what plans and analysis years were computed, Monte Carlo computation, and warning information.

This report provides a summary of the plans and analysis years that were selected for evaluation of plans by analysis years computation.

To view the **Data Management Summary** report:

1.   From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **General Information Reports** box (Figure 14.2), click **Data Management Summary**. Click **Display Report**, the **Data Management Summary** report (Figure 14.3) will open.

Figure 14.3 Data Management Summary

2.   The report displays information about the evaluation of plans by analysis years computation. This reporting is done by plan and analysis year. You can verify that a particular plan and analysis year did get computed, and whether or not uncertainty was also computed.

3.   A sting of asterisks (*****) displayed in the **Date of Execution** column, indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something

has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

4. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (Figure 14.4). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

Figure 14.4 Print Dialog Box

5. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Data Management Summary** report will close (see Figure 14.3, page 14-2) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.1.2 Monte Carlo Analysis Summary

This report and plot displays the number of Monte Carlo iterations performed for a specific plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach.

To view the **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary** report and plot:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **General Information Reports** box (see Figure 14.2, page 14-2), click **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary**.
2. The **Report Information** box (Figure 14.5) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.
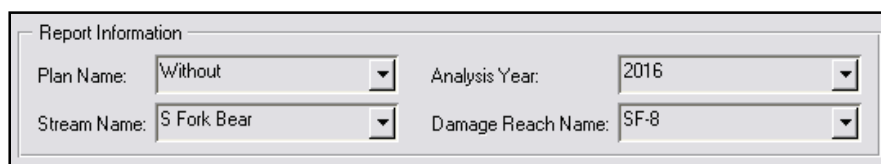
Figure 14.5 Report Information Box

3. The **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary** reports are viewed by plan, stream, analysis year, and damage reach. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream Name** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach Name** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary with Uncertainty** report will open (Figure 14.6).

Damage by Analysis Year

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Bear Creek
Monte Carlo Analysis Summary
with Uncertainty

Plan Name: Without
Analysis Year: 2016
Stream Name: S Fork Bear
Damage Reach Name: SF-8

Number of Iterations	Expected Annual Damage ($1,000's)	
	Grand Mean	Grand Mean Standard Error
5000	350.35	3.73
10000	353.38	2.70
15000	353.75	2.22
20000	355.30	1.93
25000	355.87	1.72

***** - Computations have not been completed
  +   - Something has changed and computations need to be redone

Figure 14.6 Monte Carlo Analysis Summary with Uncertainty -Report

5. This report displays the number of Monte Carlo iterations performed for a specific plan, analysis year, stream, and damage reach. The table shows the variation in the expected annual damage (Grand Mean) and the Grand Mean Standard Error throughout the progression of the iterations performed. The computations are terminated when the grand mean is within an allowable tolerance. The procedures are described in Appendix E.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7.   To plot the results of the Monte Carlo computation, on the **File** menu, click **Plot**, the **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary with Uncertainty for *Damage Reach*** plot will open (Figure 14.7).
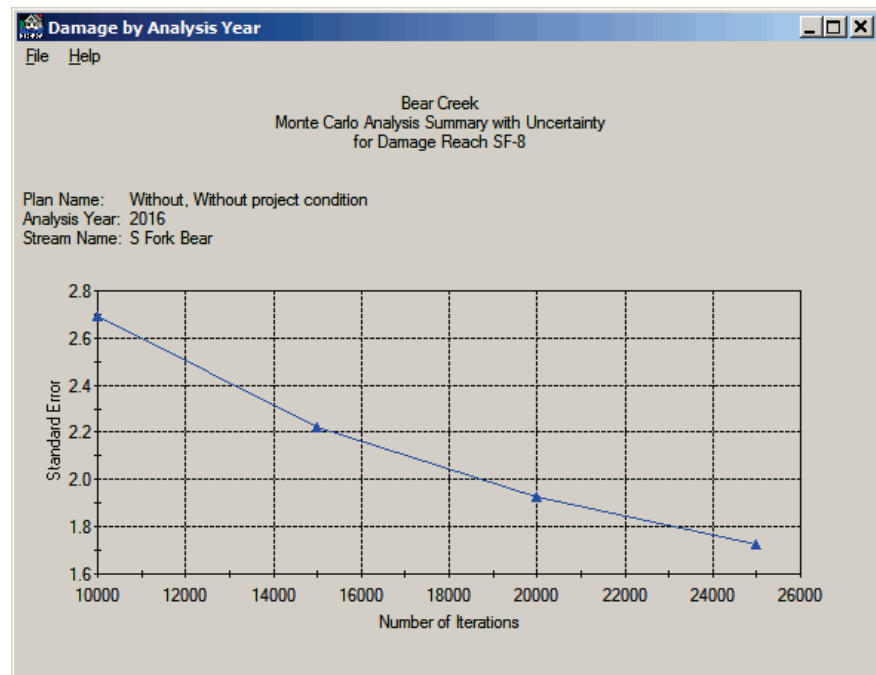
Figure 14.7 Monte Carlo Analysis Summary with Uncertainty -Plot

After reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close** the **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary with Uncertainty for *Damage Reach*** plot will close and return you to the **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary with Uncertainty** report (see Figure 14.6, page 14-4).

8.   To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

9.   On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Monte Carlo Analysis Summary** report will close (see Figure 14.6, page 14-4) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.1.3 Warning Message Log

The **Warning Message Log** should be reviewed after each run. It is a text file and may be edited, i.e. previous run information deleted as desired. Messages are always appended to this file so it can get very large.
To view the **Warning Message Log**:

1.   From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **General Information Reports** box (see Figure 14.2, page 14-2), click **Warning Message Log**. Click

Display Report, the **Warning Message Log** (Figure 14.8) will open.
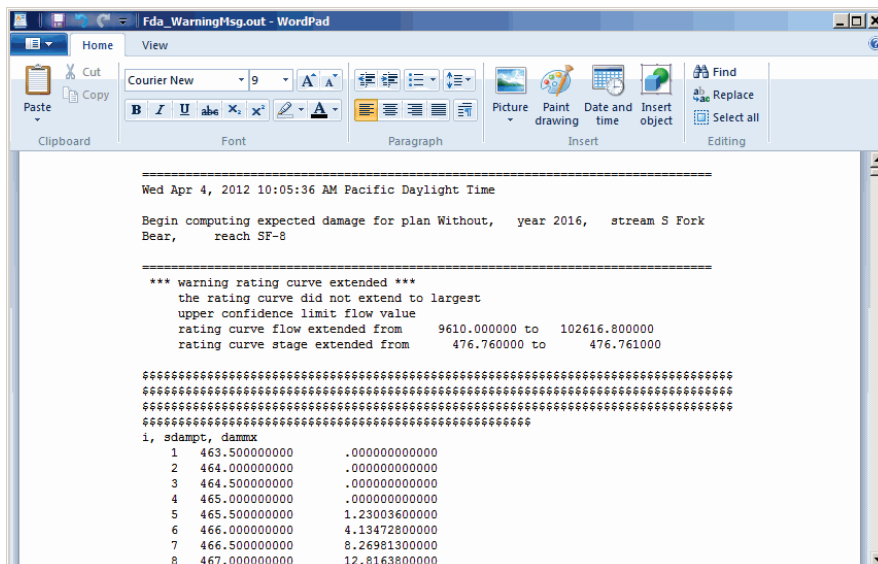
Figure 14.8 Warning Message Log

2. The **Warning Message Log** (Figure 14.8) is a text file that should be reviewed after each program computation. It provides information such as the rating function was extended, damage not zero at the minimum, etc. for each run. From this information you might need to modify the input data used in the analysis. Warning messages are always appended to this file and it may get very large. When viewed, FDA opens WordPad so that you can edit and print the file. If it is not opened by the FDA, you can edit the file with any editor or delete the file. The file is named "*Fda_WarningMsg.out*" and is located in the same subdirectory as all of the database files for a study.

14.2   Damage Reach Summaries

The **Damage Reach Summaries** (Figure 14.9) consist of four different types of probability function reports: discharge-probability, stage-probability,

Figure 14.9 Damage Reach Summaries Box

damage-probability, and damage reduced-probability. These functions are "average" curves that are calculated from those generated during the Monte Carlo simulations, and cannot be used for analytical purposes such as to compute expected annual damage. The **Damage Reach Summaries** are therefore not active when you are not computing uncertainty during the computation of EAD (see Section 13.2, pages 13-2 thru 13-5).

14.2.1 Exceedance Probability – Discharge Function

Damage reach summaries provide information about the probability functions. These functions are "average" curves and should not be used for analytical purposes.

To view the **Exceedance Probability-Discharge Function** report and plot:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Damage Reach Summaries** box (see Figure 14.9, page 14-6); click **Exceedance Probability – Discharge Function**.

2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.

3. The **Damage Reach Summaries** reports are viewed by plan, stream, analysis year, and damage reach. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream Name** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach Name** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Exceedance Probability – Discharge Function for *Damage Reach*** report will open (Figure 14.10).

Figure 14.10 Exceedance Probability - Discharge Function Report

5. This report displays the average exceedance probability-discharge function generated by the Monte Carlo simulation for the selected damage reach. The analytical procedures used to develop the function are described in Appendix G.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To plot the average exceedance probability discharge function, on the **File** menu, click **Plot**, the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Discharge Function for *Damage Reach*** plot will open (Figure 14.11). After reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close** the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Discharge Function for *Damage***
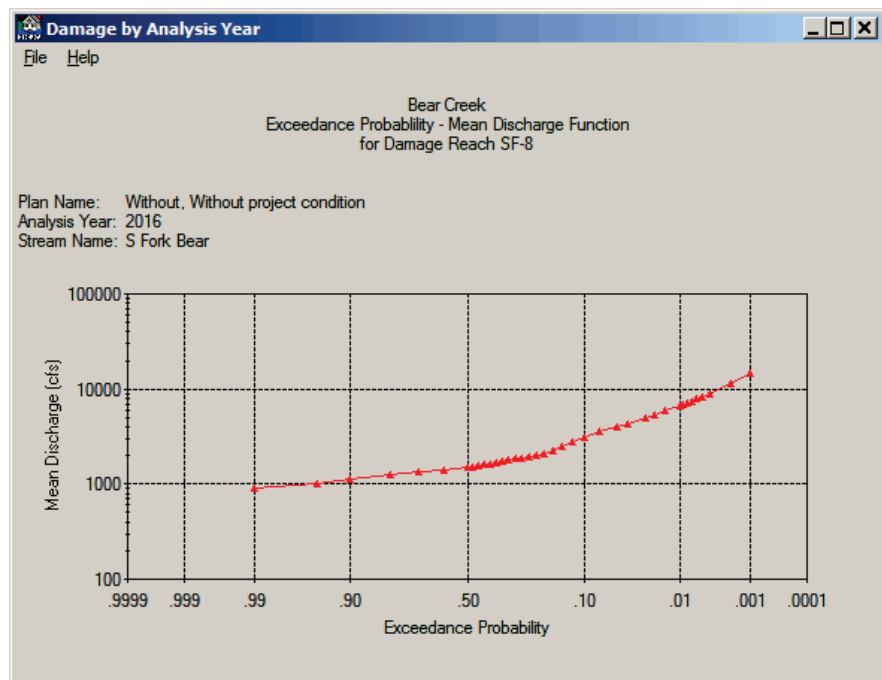
Figure 14.11 Exceedance Probability – Mean Discharge Function - Plot

Reach plot will close and return you to the **Exceedance Probability Discharge Function for *Damage Reach*** report (see Figure 14.10, page 14-7).

8. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

9. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability - Discharge Function for *Damage Reach*** report will close (see Figure 14.10, page 14-7) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.2.2 Exceedance Probability – Stage Function

To view the **Exceedance Probability-Stage Function** report and plot:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Damage Reach Summaries** box (see Figure 14.9, page 14-6); click **Exceedance Probability – Stage Function**.
2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.
3. The **Damage Reach Summaries** reports are viewed by plan, stream, analysis year, and damage reach. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream Name** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach Name** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).
4. Click **Display Report**, the **Exceedance Probability – Stage Function for *Damage Reach*** report will open (Figure 14.12).

Figure 14.12 Exceedance Probability - Stage Function Report

5. This report displays the average exceedance probability-stage function generated by the Monte Carlo simulation for the selected damage reach. The analytical procedures used to develop the function are described in Appendix G.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To plot the average exceedance probability stage function, on the **File** menu, click **Plot**, the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Stage Function for *Damage Reach*** plot will open (Figure 14.13). After reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close** the **Exceedance**
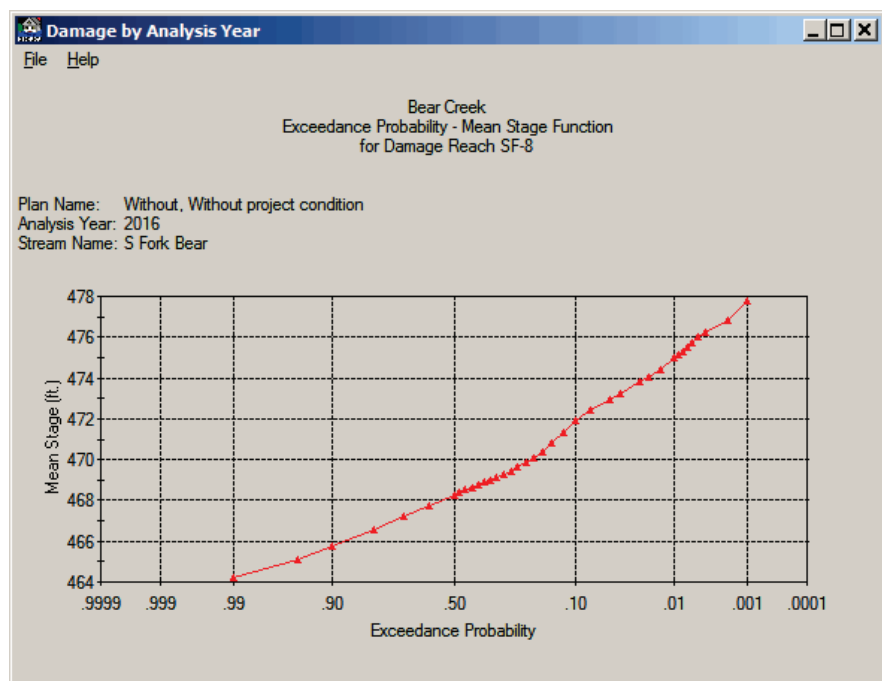
Figure 14.13 Exceedance Probability – Mean Stage Function - Plot

Probability – Mean Stage Function for *Damage Reach* plot will close and return you to the **Exceedance Probability Stage Function for *Damage Reach*** report (see Figure 14.12, page 4-9).

8. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

9. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability - Stage Function for *Damage Reach*** report will close (see Figure 14.12, page 14-9) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.2.3 Exceedance Probability – Damage Function

To view the **Exceedance Probability-Damage Function** report and plot:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Damage Reach Summaries** box (see Figure 14.9, page 14-6); click **Exceedance Probability – Damage Function**.
2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.
3. The **Damage Reach Summaries** reports are viewed by plan, stream, analysis year, and damage reach. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream Name** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach Name** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).
4. Click **Display Report**, the **Exceedance Probability – Damage Functions for *Damage Reach*** report will open (Figure 14.14).

Figure 14.14 Exceedance Probability - Damage Functions Report

5. This report displays the average exceedance probability-damage function generated by the Monte Carlo simulation for the selected damage reach. The analytical procedures used to develop the function are described in Appendix G.
6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+)

indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To plot the average exceedance probability damage functions, on the **File** menu, click **Plot**, the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Function for** *Damage Reach* plot will open (Figure 14.15). After reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close** the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Function for** *Damage*
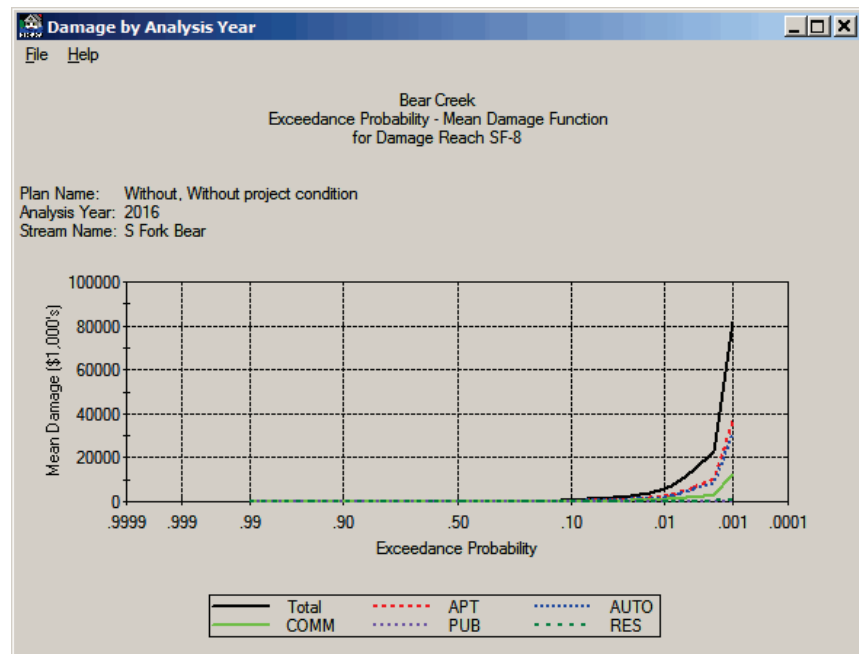
Figure 14.15 Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Function – Plot

Reach plot will close and return you to the **Exceedance Probability Damage Functions for** *Damage Reach* report (see Figure 14.14, page 14-11).

8. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

9. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Damage Functions for** *Damage Reach* report will close (see Figure 14.14, page 14-11) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.2.4 Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Reduced

To view the **Exceedance Probability-Mean Damage Reduced** report and plot:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Damage Reach Summaries** box (see Figure

14.9, page 14-6); click **Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Reduced**.

2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.

3. The **Damage Reach Summaries** reports are viewed by plan, stream, analysis year, and damage reach. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, the appropriate stream from the **Stream Name** list, and the appropriate damage reach from the **Damage Reach Name** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Reduced for *Damage Reach*** report will open (Figure 14.16).

Damage by Analysis Year

File   Help

Bear Creek
Exceedance Probability - Mean Damage Reduced
for Damage Reach SF-8
(Mean Damage in $1,000's)

(EAD not calculated from the displayed damage frequency curves.
The curves are approximate and negative differences may result).

Plan Name: Without, Without project condition
Analysis Year: 2016
Stream Name: S Fork Bear

Exceedance Probability	Total Mean Damage		Mean Damage Reduced
	Without Project	With Project	
0.9990	0.00	0.00	0.00
0.9900	0.05	0.05	0.00
0.9500	0.28	0.28	0.00
0.9000	1.09	1.09	0.00
0.8000	4.77	4.77	0.00
0.7000	9.11	9.11	0.00
0.6000	14.29	14.29	0.00
0.5000	20.82	20.82	0.00
0.4750	22.74	22.74	0.00
0.4500	24.71	24.71	0.00
0.4250	26.71	26.71	0.00

***** - Computations have not been completed
+   - Something has changed and computations need to be redone

Figure 14.16 Exceedance Probability - Mean Damage Reduced Report

5. This report displays the average exceedance probability-mean damage reduced values for the without-and with-project conditions

and the associated mean damage reduced generated by the Monte Carlo simulation for the selected damage reach. The analytical procedures used to develop the function are described in Appendix F.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To plot the average exceedance probability mean damage reduced function, on the **File** menu, click **Plot**, the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Reduced for *Damage Reach*** plot will open (Figure 14.17). After reviewing the plot, on the **File** menu, click **Close** the **Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Reduced for**
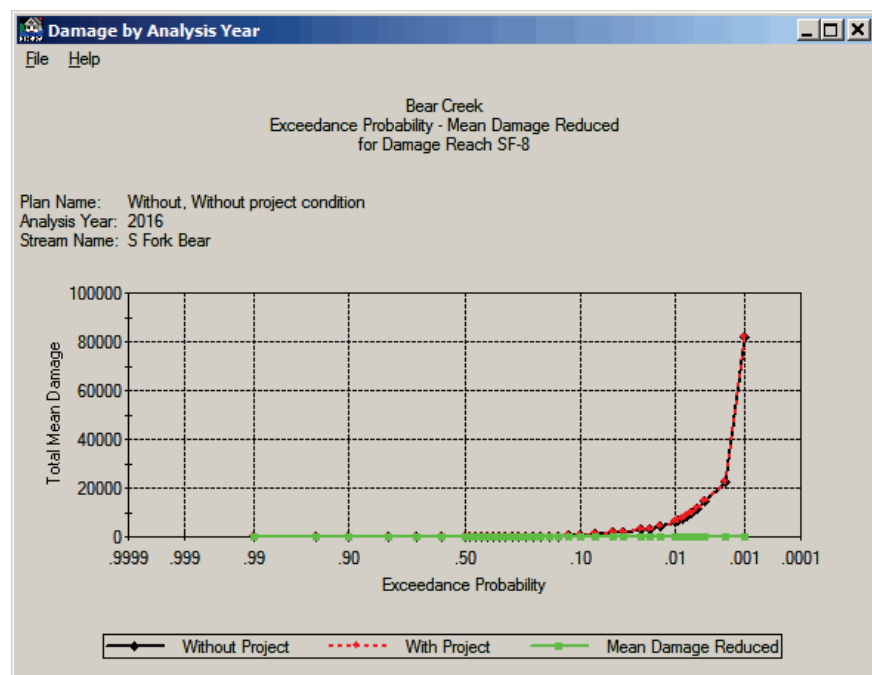
Figure 14.17 Exceedance Probability – Mean Damage Reduced – Plot

Damage Reach plot will close and return you to the **Exceedance Probability Mean Damage Reduced for *Damage Reach*** report (see Figure 14.16, page 14-13).

8. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

9. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Exceedance Probability Mean Damage Reduced for Damage Reach** report will close (see Figure 14.16, page 14-13) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.3   Expected Annual Damage

The expected annual damage reports provide information on the calculated expected annual damage.

The **Expected Annual Damage** reports (Figure 14.18) consist of four primary reports on expected annual damage: 1) by damage categories, 2) damage reduced and distributed, 3) by plans and analysis years, and 4) by analysis years.
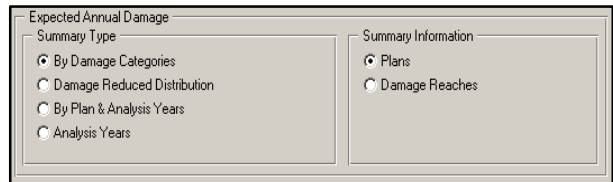
Figure 14.18 Expected Annual Damage Box

14.3.1 By Damage Categories - Plans

To view the **By Damage Categories - Plans** report:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Expected Annual Damage** box (Figure 14.18); click **By Damage Categories** in the **Summary Type** section. This report can be displayed either by plans for a selected analysis year or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by plans, click **Plans** in the **Summary Information** section (Figure 14.18).

2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.

3. The **By Damage Categories - Plans** report is viewed by analysis year, therefore, you need to select the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Expected Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Plans** report will open (Figure 14.19).

Figure 14.19   Expected Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Plans Report

5. This report displays the total damage by plans for a selected analysis year.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

8. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Expected Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Plans** report will close (see Figure 14.19, page 14-15) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.3.2 By Damage Categories – Damage Reaches

To view the **By Damage Categories – Damage Reaches** report:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Expected Annual Damage** box (see Figure 14.18, page 14-15); click **By Damage Categories** in the **Summary Type** section. This report can be displayed either by plans for a selected analysis year or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by damage reaches, click **Damage Reaches** in the **Summary Information** section (see Figure 14.18, page 14-15).

2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.

3. The **By Damage Categories – Damage Reaches** report is viewed by plan and analysis year. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, and the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Expected Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Damage Reaches** report will open (Figure 14.20).

Figure 14.20   Expected Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Damage Reaches Report

5.   This report displays the total damage by damage reaches for a selected plan and analysis year.

6.   A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7.   To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

8.   On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Expected Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Damage Reaches** report will close (see Figure 14.20, page 14-16) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.3.3 Damage Reduced Distribution - Plans

To view the **Damage Reduced Distribution - Plans** report:

1.   From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Expected Annual Damage** box (see Figure 14.18, page 14-14); click **Damage Reduced Distribution** in the **Summary Type** section. This report can be displayed either by plans for a selected analysis year or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by plans, click **Plans** in the **Summary Information** section (see Figure 14.18, page 14-15).

2.   The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.

3.   The **Damage Reduced Distribution - Plans** report is viewed by analysis year, therefore, you need to select the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4.   Click **Display Report**, the **Expected Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by All Plans** report will open (see Figure 14.21, page 14-18).

5.   This report displays the expected annual damage for the without- and with-project conditions for all plans for a selected analysis year. It also displays the distribution of expected annual damage reduced by plan in terms of the probability that the damage reduced exceeds a value for the probabilities of .75, .50, and .25. For example (see Figure 14.21, page 14-18), there is a .75 probability that the damage reduced for Plan 1 exceeds *198.22*, a .50 probability that it exceeds *306.91* and a .25 probability it exceeds *462.41*.

6.   A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+)

Figure 14.21   Expected Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by All Plans Report

indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7.   To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

8.   On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Expected Annual Damage reduced and Distributed by All Plans** report will close (Figure 14.21) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.3.4 Damage Reduced Distribution – Damage Reaches

To view the **Damage Reduced Distribution – Damage Reaches** report:

1.   From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1), from the **Expected Annual Damage** box (see Figure 14.18, page 14-15); click **Damage Reduced Distribution** in the **Summary Type** section. This report can be displayed either by plans for a selected analysis year or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by damage reaches, click **Damage Reaches** in the **Summary Information** section (see Figure 14.18, page 14-15).

2.   The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1) becomes active.

3.   The **Damage Reduced Distribution – Damage Reaches** report is viewed by plan and analysis year. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, and the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Expected Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed for the *Plan*** report will open (Figure 14.22).

Figure 14.22   Expected Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed for the *Plan1* Report

5. This report displays the expected annual damage for the without- and with-project conditions by damage reach for the selected plan and analysis year. It also displays the distribution of expected annual damage reduced by damage reach in terms of the probability that the damage reduced exceeds a value for the probabilities of .75, .50, and .25. For example (Figure 14.22), there is a .75 probability that the damage reduced for Plan 1 exceeds *198.22*, a .50 probability that it exceeds *306.91* and a .25 probability it exceeds *462.41*.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

8. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Expected Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by All Plans** report will close (Figure 14.22) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.3.5 By Plan & Analysis Years

To view the **By Plan and Analysis Years** report:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1); from the **Expected Annual Damage** box (see Figure 14.18, page 14-15); click **By Plan & Analysis Years** in the **Summary Type** section.

2. Click **Display Report**, the **Expected Annual Damage Plans and Analysis Years** report will open (see Figure 14.23, page 14-20).

Figure 14.23 Expected Annual Damage by Plans and Analysis Years
Report

3. This report displays the expected annual damage values for the base
    year and most likely future year by plan.
4. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a
    plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+)
    indicates that something has changed in the data set for that
    particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be
    redone.
5. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog
    box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate
    printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will
    close and the report will print.
6. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Expected Annual Damage
    reduced and Distributed by All Plans** report will close (Figure
    14.23) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog
    box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

14.3.6 Analysis Years

To view the **Analysis Years** report:

1. From the **Damage by Analysis Years** dialog box (see Figure 14.1,
    page 14-1), from the **Expected Annual Damage** box (see Figure
    14.18, page 14-15); click **Analysis Years** in the **Summary Type**
    section.
2. The **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3) on the
    Damage by Analysis Year dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1)
    becomes active.

3. The **Analysis Years** report is viewed by plan, therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, in the **Report Information** box (see Figure 14.5, page 14-3).

4. Click **Display Report**, the **Expected Annual Damage by Analysis Years for *Plan*** report will open (Figure 14.24).

Figure 14.24   Expected Annual Damage by Analysis Years for *Plan* Report

5. This report summarizes expected annual damage by damage reach for the base and most likely future years for a selected plan. It also calculates a subtotal of damage for each stream.

6. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan and analysis year have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and analysis year and the computation needs to be redone.

7. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 14.4, page 14-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

8. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Expected Annual Damage by Analysis Years for *Plan*** report will close (Figure 14.24) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 14.1, page 14-1).

CHAPTER 15

Other HEC-FDA Results

Once computations are finished, HEC-FDA provides three major groups of reports; in Chapter 14 the **Damage by Analysis Years** reports have already been discussed. The other two groups of reports are the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** and the **Project Performance** reports. These reports are consistent with requirements of Corps planning regulations for formulation and evaluation of flood damage reduction plans. There are also additional FDA reports that are not available directly from the FDA interface. See Section 15.3 (page 15-11) for further details.

The computation of the uncertainty about graphical probability functions has changed in Version 1.4 of HEC-FDA. When graphical probability functions are used, the reports will have an additional line in the header of

the report. The information contained in this line is: the version of HEC-FDA; the method used for computing the uncertainty for a graphical probability function; and, the point at which the standard error becomes constant in the graphical probability function.

15.1   Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis Reports

The Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis reports display the results of the computation of equivalent annual damage.

There are three types of reports: 1) data management summary, 2) equivalent annual damage reduced and distributed, and 3) equivalent annual damage by damage category.

To access the equivalent annual damage analysis reports:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Evaluation** menu, point to **Results**, click **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis**.
2. The **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box will open (Figure 15.1).
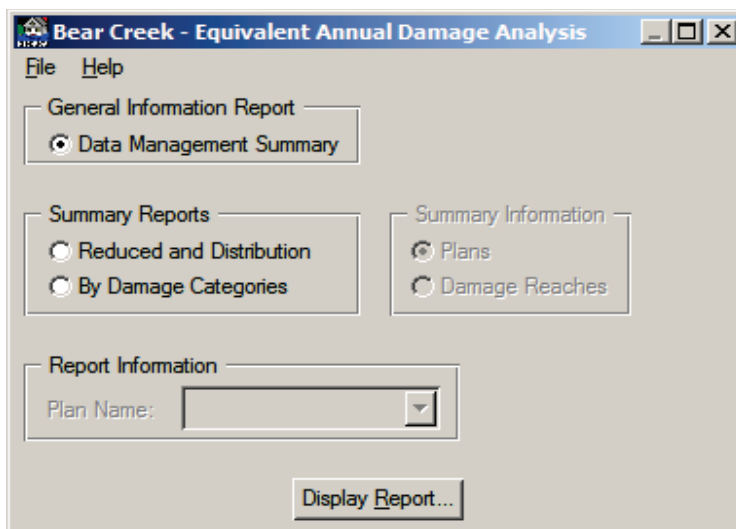
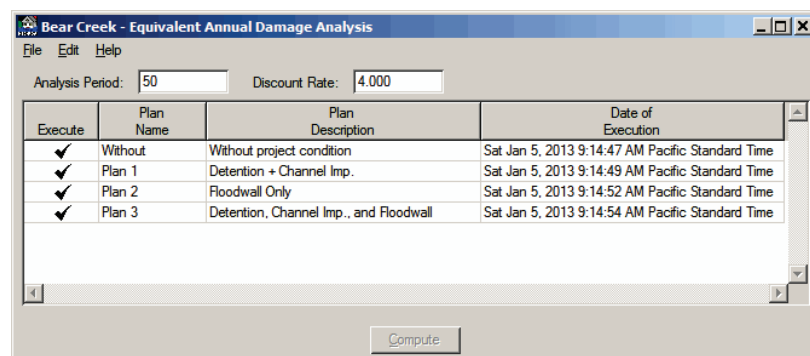**Figure 15.1** Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis Dialog Box

3.   From this dialog box, you will access the three different types of reports that make up the results from the equivalent annual damage analysis computation.

15.1.1 Data Management Summary

This report provides a summary of the plans that were selected for the equivalent annual damage analysis computation.

To view the **Data Management Summary** report:

1.   From the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (Figure 15.1), from the **General Information Report** box, click **Data Management Summary**. Click **Display Report**, the **Data Management Summary** report (Figure 15.2) will open.

Figure15.2 Data Management Summary Report

2. The report displays information about the equivalent annual damage analysis computation. This reporting is done by plan and you can verify that a particular plan did get computed, and whether or not uncertainty was also computed.

3. A sting of asterisks (*****)indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.

4. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (Figure 15.3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.
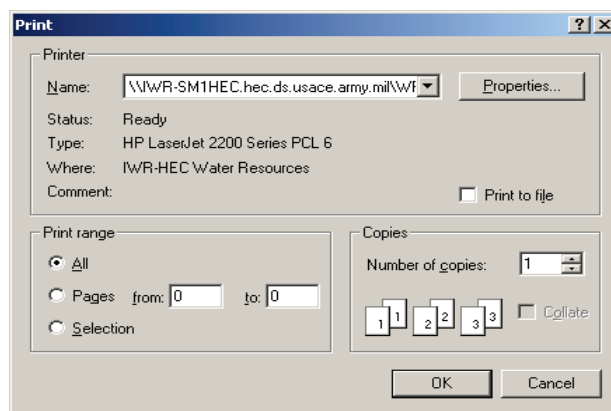
Figure 15.3 Print Dialog Box

5. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Data Management Summary** report will close (see Figure 15.2, page 15-2) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2).

15.1.2 Summary Reports
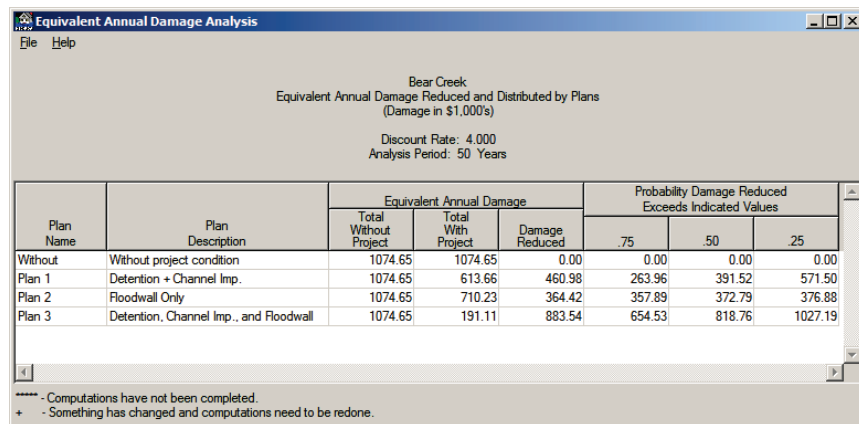
The two available summary reports can either be displayed by plan or by damage reach. These two report display the equivalent annual damage reduced and distributed, and the equivalent annual damage by damage category.

Reduced and Distribution - Plans

To view the **Reduced and Distribution - Plans** report:

1. From the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2), from the **Summary Reports** box, click **Reduced and Distribution**. This report can be displayed either by all plans or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by all plans, click **Plans** in the **Summary Information** box.

2. Click **Display Report**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by Plans** report will open (Figure 15.4).

Figure 15.4 Equivalent Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by Plans Report

3. This report displays equivalent annual damage for the without- and with-project conditions and the associated damage reduced for all plans. The report also displays the distribution of equivalent annual damage reduced by a plan in terms of the probability that the damage reduced exceeds a value for the probabilities of .75, .50, and .25. For example (Figure 15.4), for *Plan* 1, there is a .75 probability that the equivalent annual damage reduced is greater than *263.96*, a .50 probability it is greater than *391.52*, and a .25 probability it is greater than *571.50* (Figure 15.4).

4. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.

5. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

6. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by Plans** report will close (Figure 15.4) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2).

Reduced and Distribution – Damage Reaches

To view the **Reduced and Distribution – Damage Reaches** report:

1. From the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2), from the **Summary Reports** box, click **Reduced and Distribution**. This report can be displayed either by all plans or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this

report by damage reaches, click **Damage Reaches** in the **Summary Information** box.

2. The **Report Information** box on the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2) becomes active. The **Reduced and Distribution – Damage Reaches** report is viewed by plan; therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list in the **Report Information** box.

3. Click **Display Report**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed for the** *Plan* report will open (Figure 15.5).

Figure 15.5 Equivalent Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed by Damage Reaches Report

4. This report displays equivalent annual damage for the without- and with-project conditions and the associated damage reduced for the selected plan by damage reach. The report also displays the distribution of equivalent annual damage reduced by damage reach in terms of the probability that the damage reduced exceeds a value for the probabilities of .75, .50, and .25. For example (Figure 15.5), for *Plan* 1, there is a .75 probability that the equivalent annual damage reduced is greater than *263.96*, a .50 probability it is greater than *391.52*, and a .25 probability it is greater than *571.50*.

5. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.

6. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

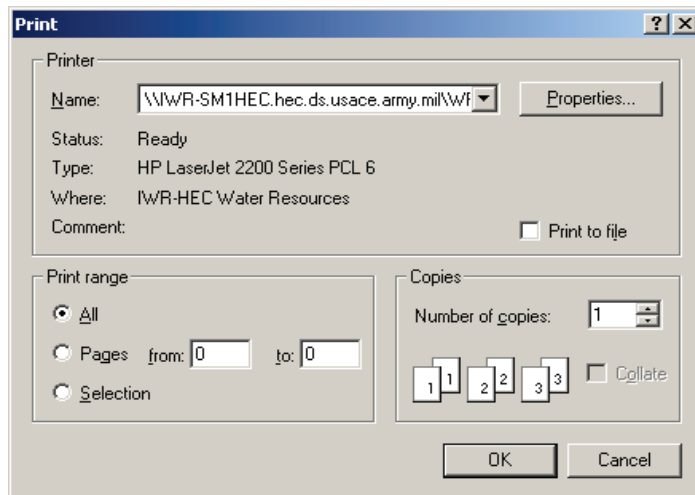7. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage Reduced and Distributed for the** *Plan* report will close (Figure 15.5) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2).

By Damage Categories - Plans

To view the **By Damage Categories - Plans** report:

1. From the **Equivalent annual Damage analysis** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2), from the **Summary Reports** box, click **By Damage Categories**. This report can be displayed either by all plans or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by all plans, click **Plans** in the **Summary Information** box.
2. Click **Display Report**, the **Equivalent Annual by Damage Categories and Plans** report will open (Figure 15.6).

Figure 15.6 Equivalent Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Plans Reports

3. This report displays equivalent annual damage for all damage categories by plan.
4. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.
5. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.
6. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Plans** report will close (Figure 15.6) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2).

By Damage Categories – Damage Reaches

To view the **By Damage Categories – Damage Reaches** report:

1. From the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2), from the **Summary Reports** box, click **By**

Damage Categories. This report can be displayed either by all plans or by damage reaches for a selected plan. To display this report by damage reaches, click **Damage Reaches** in the **Summary Information** box.

2. The **Report Information** box on the **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2) becomes active. The **By Damage Categories – Damage Reaches** report is viewed by plan; therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list in the **Report Information** box.

3. Click **Display Report**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Damage Reaches for the *Plan*** report will open (Figure 15.7).

Figure 15.7 Equivalent Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Damage Reaches Report

4. This report displays equivalent annual damage for all damage categories by damage reach for the selected plan.

5. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.

6. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

7. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Equivalent Annual Damage by Damage Categories and Damage Reaches for the *Plan*** report will close (Figure 15.7) and you will return to the **Damage by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Figure 15.1, page 15-2).

15.2   Project Performance Reports

The project performance reports display information about the hydrologic/hydraulic performance of a plan. There are three types of

reports: 1) a list of target stages by damage reach and analysis year for a selected plan, 2) project performance by damage reach for a selected plan and year, and, 3) project performance by plan and damage reach for a selected analysis year.

To access the project performance reports:

1. From the FDA main window (see Chapter 2, Section 2.1, Figure 2.1, page 2-2), on the **Evaluation** menu, point to **Results**, click **Project Performance**.
2. The **Project Performance** dialog box will open (Figure 15.8).
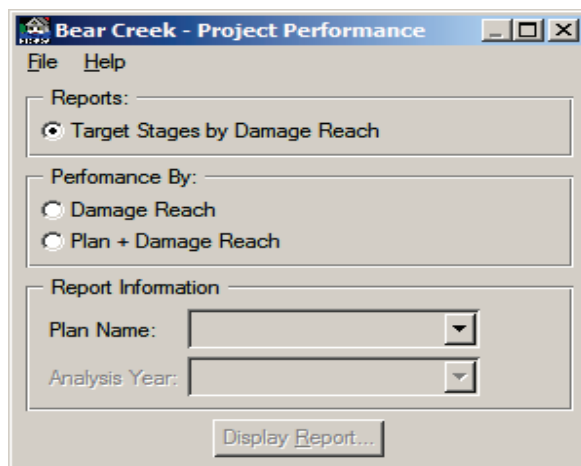
Figure 15.8 Project Performance Dialog Box

3. From this dialog box, you will access the three different types of reports that make up the results for project performance. All three reports contain some of the same information, below are definitions of some the items being reported:

> **Target Stage** – For reaches without levees, it is the stage typically associated with the start of significant damage for the without-project conditions. In FDA, the criterion for calculating the stage is specified under from the **Evaluation of Plans by Analysis Year** dialog box (see Chapter 13, Section 13.2, pages 13-2 thru 13-5). To ensure consistency with various damage reaches, the stage is determined as the stage associated with the percent of residual damage of a specific exceedance probability event. By default, the criterion is set to 5% of the total damage for the 1% event. For levees or floodwalls without geotechnical failure, the top of the project (levee) is the target stage. For levees with geotechnical failure, there is no single value for the target stage and project performance is computed based on the joint probability of annual exceedance and probability of geotechnical failure.

Target Stage Annual Exceedance Probability - The median and expected annual exceedance probabilities associated with the target stage. The median value is computed from your input functions. It uses either 1) the discharge-probability and stage-discharge functions, or 2) the stage-probability function. The expected value is computed from the results of the Monte Carlo simulation.

Long-Term Risk - The probability of the target stage being exceeded in a 10-, 30-, and 50- year period.

Conditional Non-Exceedance Probability by Events - The chance of containing the specific .10, .04, .02, .01, .004, and .002 exceedance probability event within the target stage, should that event occur.

15.2.1 Target Stages by Damage Reach

To view the **Target Stages by Damage Reach** report:

1. From the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8); click **Target Stages by Damage Reach**.
2. The **Report Information** box on the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8) becomes active. The **Target Stages by Damage Reach** report is viewed by plan; therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list in the **Report Information** box.
3. Click **Display Report**, the **Project Performance Target Stages by Damage Reaches for the *Plan*** report will open (Figure 15.9).
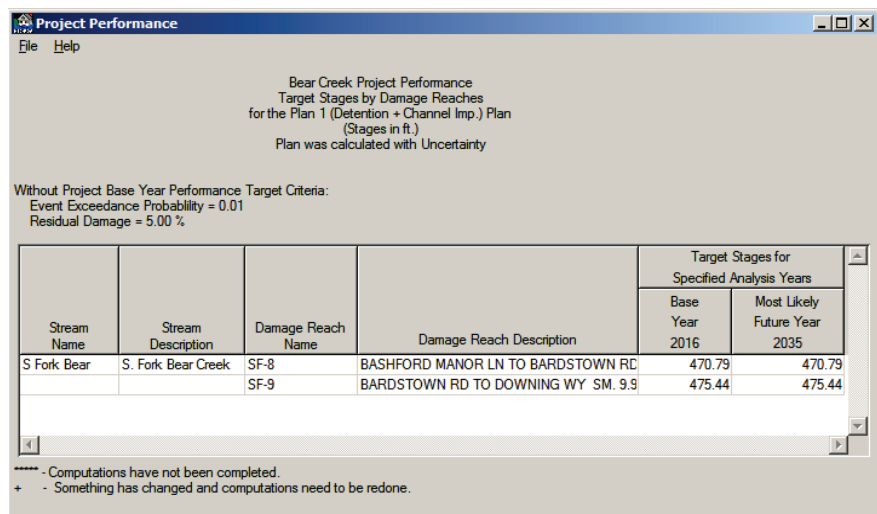
Figure 15.9 Project Performance Target Stages by Damage Reaches Report

4. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.

5. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

6. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Project Performance Target Stages by Damage Reaches for the *Plan*** report will close (see Figure 15.9, page 15-9) and you will return to the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8).

15.2.2 Damage Reach

To view the **Damage Reach** report:

1. From the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8), click **Damage Reach**.

2. The **Report Information** box on the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8) becomes active. The **Damage Reach** report is viewed by plan and analysis year. Therefore, you need to select the appropriate plan from the **Plan Name** list, and you need to select the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list in the **Report Information** box.

3. Click **Display Report**, the **Project Performance by Damage Reaches for the *Plan*** report will open (Figure 15.10).

Figure 15.10 Project Performance by Damage Reaches Report

4. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.

5. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.

6. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Project Performance by Damage Reaches for the *Plan*** report will close (see Figure 15.10, page 15-10) and you will return to the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8).

15.2.3 Plan & Damage Reach

To view the **Plan and Damage Reach** report:

1. From the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8), click **Plan + Damage Reach**.
2. The **Report Information** box on the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8) becomes active. The **Damage Reach** report is viewed by analysis year; therefore, you need to select the appropriate analysis year from the **Analysis Year** list in the **Report Information** box.
3. Click **Display Report**, the **Project Performance by Plans and Damage Reaches by *Analysis Year*** report will open (Figure 15.11).

Figure 15.11 Project Performance by Plans and Damage Reaches Report

4. A sting of asterisks (*****) indicates that the computations for a plan have not been completed. A plus-sign (+) indicates that something has changed in the data set for that particular plan and the computation needs to be redone.
5. To print the report, on the **File** menu, click **Print**, the **Print** dialog box will open (see Figure 15.3, page 15-3). Be sure the appropriate printer has been selected, and click **OK**. The **Print** dialog box will close and the report will print.
6. On the **File** menu, click **Close**, the **Project Performance by Plans and Damage Reaches by *Analysis Year*** report will close (Figure 15.11) and you will return to the **Project Performance** dialog box (see Figure 15.8, page 15-8).

15.3   Additional Reports not Available from HEC-FDA

When you evaluate plans by analysis years or view evaluation results, FDA writes output to several files which are accessed from outside of FDA. The warning message file *Fda_WarningMsg.out* is accessed from the FDA and is described in Chapter 14 (Section 14.1.3, page 14-5). Other files are accessed outside of FDA and include a trace file (*Fda_EadTrace.out*) which is described in Chapter 16 (Section 16.2.2, page 16-5), an input and output HEC-DSS (Hydrologic Engineering Center Data Storage System) file (*Fda_EadSimResults.dss*), and an output report file (*Fda_Results.txt*).

15.3.1 Reports Written to a ASCII Tab Delimited File

When you display reports from FDA, not only does FDA display the reports, but FDA also writes the report to a text file – *Fda_Results.txt*, in ASCII tab delimited format. This enables you to edit the file from another software program for formatting and inclusion in reports. For example, Figure 15.12 displays an example of the *Fda_Results.txt* file for the report **Equivalent Annual Damage Analysis Reduced and Distributed by Plans**.

Figure 15.12 *FdaResults.txt* File

All FDA output reports are written to this file except for the general information reports. If the file exists when a study is opened, the file will be deleted and a new file created. FDA will then append each report to this file until the study is closed. If you want to save the reports that were written to this file, you need to rename or copy the file before re-opening the study.

CHAPTER 16

Troubleshooting

You may encounter errors when entering data or doing calculations. In HEC-FDA, there are two major calculations, stage-aggregated damage, and expected annual damage (EAD). Both utilize Monte Carlo simulation to compute mean values. This chapter describes error messages and recommends ways to diagnose problems when entering data in FDA, or calculating expected annual damage and equivalent annual damage. Appendix E recommends ways to diagnose problems in the stage-aggregated damage calculations and in importing data. Warning and error messages can be generated by the GUI, the FDA database code, the Codebase database library, and the calculation software. The messages may be displayed in a GUI dialog or they may be written to an output text file.

16.1 Error Messages

FDA displays many of the warning and error messages to your screen in an error dialog box. Other messages are written to text files including the following files that are stored in the study directory: *Fda_WarningMsg.out* and *Fda_EadTrace.out*. You can display the file *Fda_WarningMsg.out* from FDA, see Chapter 14, Section 14.1.3 (page 14-5) for further details. To view the file *Fda_EadTrace.out*, you must do so outside of FDA using WordPad or a similar program. This file contains trace output in addition to any warning or error messages.

16.1.1 General Error Messages

When the program cannot complete a specific task, an error message will typically be displayed in a message window. An example is specification of a stage-discharge or stage-damage function where the stage, discharge, and/or damage values are not monotonically increasing, FDA will display Error 59. A list of error messages corresponding to error message are listed in Table 16.1 (page 16-2).

16.1.2 Codebase Error Messages

When running the program, if you encounter an error message titled "CODEBASE ERROR", you should immediately close the study. This indicates that there is a major problem with the database. For some Codebase errors, the program will display a dialog indicating that the

Table 16.1
HEC-FDA Error Messages

Number	Error Message
1	In searching a file, the program attempted to move to a nonexistent record.
2	An index value is bad. - SD code,
3	The base module cannot be changed or deleted.
4	The base plan cannot be changed or deleted.
5	The last module assignment for a given plan and year cannot be deleted.
6	The FORTRAN calculation routines have detected an error. There are several sources of information that more clearly explain the problem including: 1) an information dialog box displayed from the GUI, 2) an error message written to the warning message log (file Fda_WarningMsg.out in the study subdirectory), or 3) an error message in the EAD trace output file (file Fda_EadTrace.out).
7	All damage functions used in a given calculation must have the same type.
8	A duplicate object name has been encountered.
9	An enumeration is out of range. - SD code,
10	While creating or opening a file, a field could not be mapped.
11	File locked.
12	A file could not be created.
13	File error.
14	Database integrity error - an object was referenced which does not exist.
15	A file could not be opened.
16	Filter violation. A file is positioned on a record which should be filtered out.
17	A frequency function was found which is not valid. Must be analytical or graphical, stage/discharge or stage/frequency.
18	Global error is being set for a stage/discharge function which uses coordinate errors.
19	Coordinate errors are being set for a stage/discharge function which uses global errors.
20	A file index is being set to a value which is not valid for the file type.
21	Unless this is a very long term study, there is a bad value in the year list.
22	The studies cannot be merged. The configuration files are not compatible.
23	The calculation cannot be performed. One of the input functions is incomplete or invalid.
24	This calculation cannot be performed. The input function set is not complete or a function is invalid.
25	A data record is not complete.
26	A code function has been called with an invalid argument.
27	Invalid probability distribution or distribution type,
28	WSP data must include the two-year, ten-year, and hundred-year values (.5, .1, and .01 exceedances).
29	A character string is too long for the field length.
30	Cannot get the record. File is empty or positioned after end of file.
31	Filter value does not exist (e.g. looking for reaches on a nonexistent stream).
32	A function was called for a data object for which it is not appropriate.
33	A reach index station was found which is not in the reach.
34	Invalid directory or pathname.
35	A file contains an invalid record.
36	Frequency function transform flow data is invalid.
37	An invalid water surface profile has been found.
38	Calculations have been marked invalid due to more recent data entry. Recalculation is required.
39	Not enough memory.
40	A calculation record is missing. Run the calculations again.
41	Cannot create analytical frequency function. There is no discharge data in the water surface profile.

Table 16.1 (continued)
HEC-FDA Error Messages

Number	Error Message
42	Search failed. An object which is being searched for does not exist.
43	There is no study file open.
44	A damage category is being referenced which is not in the category list.
45	A damage function is being referenced which is not in the depth/damage function list.
46	A necessary file does not exist.
47	The function which is being assigned does not exist.
48	A structure inventory module is being referenced which is not in the module list.
49	A plan is being referenced which is not in the plan list.
50	A damage reach is being referenced which is not in the reach list.
51	A stream is being referenced which is not in the stream list.
52	There is no uncertainty specified for this function, so there are no error limit curves.
53	An object has not been initialized. - SD code,
54	The record is assigned to another plan/year/stream/etc. Use global replace, or change the name.
55	The record cannot be deleted - it is referenced from another file.
56	The index stack has become unbalanced. Please notify HEC.
57	A stage/frequency function must be graphical.
58	Reference has been made to a structure error distribution which does not exist.
59	Invalid function. Values not monotonically increasing or decreasing.
60	There is an existing record. Call replace.
61	Damage reduced reports require that the without condition be defined. Run calculations for without condition.
62	This version of the program does not recognize the database version named in the .sty file.
63	There is an error in the SUMPO file.
64	This is not a discharge-probability function.
65	The stage-probability water surface profile is invalid.
66	The discharge-probability water surface profile is invalid.
67	The skew value is beyond the allowed limit.
68	The number of bytes that would be copied exceeds the number of bytes stored in the field.

program will stop. For other Codebase errors, the program will continue as if nothing was wrong but it will no longer properly access the database files and you must close the study. The primary sources of Codebase errors are missing database files or corrupt files.

If a file is missing, the error message will display the name of the missing file (there could also be additional files missing). First, verify that you are opening the correct study file (file extension .sty) and that it is located in the parent subdirectory of your FDA database. Next, check the subdirectory containing the study database files and verify that all the files are there. The easiest way to do this is to create a new study and compare the filenames in the new study with those in your current study. Typically, this problem occurs when you copy the study database files from one subdirectory to another and don't select all of the files or you inadvertently delete one or more files. If a file is missing, you will need to copy it from its original location or restore the file from backup.

If a file is corrupt, you will have to restore a valid copy of the file by restoring the study from a backup. If, for some reason, you do not have a valid copy of the file, you can replace some files with a copy of the file that has no data in it. This works well if the corrupt file contains calculation results such as stage-aggregated damage or expected annual damage. You will lose your previously calculated results, but you can recalculate them and continue using your current study. It will not work if the corrupt file contains your input data such as plans, years, discharge-probability functions, etc. To replace the file using a copy that has no data in it, open a new study and do not enter any data except the study name and price index year. Exit the program and then copy the appropriate files from this new study into your current study that has the corrupt file(s). The following files contain results and can be replaced with a copy that has no data. You must copy the entire group of files (e.g. all the files for stage-aggregated damage results must be copied, not just one of the files).

- Stage-aggregated damage files: SDMGDATA.DBF, SDMGDATA.DBT, SDMGDATA.MDX, SDMGLOOK.DBF, SDMGLOOK.MDX
- Expected and equivalent annual damage and project performance files: EADDATA.DBF, EADDATA.DBT, EADDATA.MDX, EADLOOK.DBF, EADLOOK.MDX, EQUIVBEN.DBF, EQUIVBEN.DBT, EQUIVBEN.MDX.

16.2   Diagnosing Problems

There are three basic methods of diagnosing problems. The following are sources of information for determining problems:

- Missing or Out-of-date Computation Results
- Trace Output

16.2.1 Missing or Out-of-Date Computation Results

It is always important to check the **Study Status Report** (see Chapter 13, Section 13.1, page 13-1); the report indicates whether the functions required for the computation of expected annual damage are complete for all reaches in each plan. As indicated in the legend, a single asterisk (*) means that the specific function or functions are missing or incomplete for one or more reaches.

The function assignment reports (see Chapter 12, Section 12.8, page 12-9) should be checked to see which reach has a missing or incomplete function and the problem corrected. Five asterisks (*****) appearing in the function name and description columns in the function assignment reports indicate that the function is missing or incomplete for that reach.

When data has changed since the last time computations were made the results of that computation become out-of-date. You can check for this condition by checking the **Data Management Summary** reports for the individual analyses (see Chapter 14, Section 14.1.1, page 14-2; and Chapter 15, Section 15.1.1, page 15-2). The FDA program allows you to view previous results that are out-of-date but marks the results accordingly. Out-of-date results are indicated by a + in front of the reach, plan, or function name and may appear in the function assignment report or in any of the result reports.

16.2.2 Trace Output

A trace text file (*fdalog.out*) is created whenever a study is opened. If the file already exists, it is deleted and new file created. FDA will then append trace information to this file until the study is closed. You cannot view this file from FDA but you can view it from outside the FDA program. For the most part, it contains trace information that is useful only to program support people. Occasionally, it will contain an error message that cannot be displayed in other places. Figure 16.1 display an example of the trace output file.

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****  warning frequency curve extended to
      exceedance probability    9.990000E-01


****  warning frequency curve extended to
      exceedance probability    1.000000E-04
      1     .99900     .97900     1     .97900     .01900     1     .01900
      2     .99000     .97000     2     .97000     .01000     2     .01000
      3     .95000     .93000     3     .93000     .03000     2     .01000
      4     .90000     .88000     4     .88000     .08000     2     .01000
      5     .80000     .78000     5     .78000     .18000     2     .01000
      6     .70000     .68000     6     .68000     .28000     2     .01000
      7     .60000     .58000     7     .58000     .38000     2     .01000
      8     .50000     .48000     8     .48000     .48000     2     .01000
      9     .47500     .45500     9     .45500     .50500     2     .01000
     10     .45000     .43000    10     .43000     .53000     2     .01000
     11     .42500     .40500    11     .40500     .55500     2     .01000
     12     .40000     .38000    12     .38000     .58000     2     .01000
     13     .37500     .35500    13     .35500     .60500     2     .01000
     14     .35000     .33000    14     .33000     .63000     2     .01000
     15     .32500     .30500    15     .30500     .65500     2     .01000
     16     .30000     .28000    16     .28000     .68000     2     .01000
     17     .27500     .25500    17     .25500     .70500     2     .01000
     18     .25000     .23000    18     .23000     .73000     2     .01000
     19     .22500     .20500    19     .20500     .75500     2     .01000
     20     .20000     .18000    20     .18000     .78000     2     .01000
     21     .17500     .15500    21     .15500     .80500     2     .01000
     22     .15000     .13000    22     .13000     .83000     2     .01000
     23     .12500     .10500    23     .10500     .85500     2     .01000
     24     .10000     .08000    24     .08000     .88000     2     .01000
     25     .07500     .05500    25     .05500     .90500     2     .01000
     26     .05000     .03000    26     .03000     .93000     2     .01000
     27     .04000     .02000    27     .02000     .94000     2     .01000
     28     .02500     .00500    28     .00500     .95500     2     .01000
     29     .02000     .00000    29     .00000     .96000     2     .01000
     30     .01500     .00500    29     .00000     .96500     2     .01000
     31     .01000     .01000    29     .00000     .97000     2     .01000
     32     .00900     .01100    29     .00000     .97100     2     .01000
     33     .00800     .01200    29     .00000     .97200     2     .01000
     34     .00700     .01300    29     .00000     .97300     2     .01000
     35     .00600     .01400    29     .00000     .97400     2     .01000
     36     .00500     .01500    29     .00000     .97500     2     .01000
     37     .00400     .01600    29     .00000     .97600     2     .01000
     38     .00200     .01800    29     .00000     .97800     2     .01000
     39     .00100     .01900    29     .00000     .97900     2     .01000
     40     .00010     .01990    29     .00000     .97990     2     .01000



          ****************************
          *      Frequency Curve     *
          *    systematic events     *
          ****************************
          *   1      2.981    .9796  *
          *   2      3.009    .9592  *
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Figure 16.1 Trace Output File

Appendix A

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Appendix B

Glossary

Aggregated Stage-Damage Function with Uncertainty: A composite median stage-damage function for a damage reach. The function is developed by damage categories at the damage reach index location. The stage-damage functions of individual structures are aggregated using a series of water surface profiles to account for the slope in the profiles throughout the reach. Uncertainty, the errors in the damage estimates, may also be computed.

Analysis Years: Analysis years are for determining damage and project performance information for specific time periods, such as the base year or most likely future year. The analysis years results for a plan are also used to perform equivalent annual damage computations. The same analysis years are used for all study evaluations. An analysis year represents a static time period or year that the HydEng and Economic analysis data represent. Base year is the first year of the plan operation. The "Most Likely Future" condition is a development projection for a specific future year, say twenty years out from the base year. It usually is based on the projections of local future development plans.

Analytical Discharge-Probability Function: A discharge-probability function that is fit with an analytical (statistical) distribution. The distribution is defined by statistics which are the mean, standard deviation, and skew for the Log Pearson Type III distribution. The function is developed by site specific, hydrologic engineering analysis procedures. A "synthetic" approach defined by discharges associated with the .50, .10, and .01 probability events yields Log Pearson Type III distribution statistics and frequency function that fit the 3 points specified.

Annual Exceedance Probability (AEP): The probability that flooding will occur in any given year considering the full range of possible annual floods.

Assurance: Alternative term for 'conditional non-exceedance probability'; see below.

Bank: Stream bank (looking downstream) where the damage reach or structure is located. The delineation of the bank should consider potential local protection flood damage reduction measures and jurisdictional boundaries. Some measures are typically implemented on only one bank,

which include levees and walls, and various nonstructural actions. Channels and upstream storage projects reduce flooding for both banks. There are three hardwired choices (Left, Right, Both), with Both being the default.

Base Year: First year the plan is implemented and operational.

Beginning Damage Depth: Optional depth in feet (meters) where damage begins. Normally used in analysis of structures with basements where flood waters enter above basement floor. Truncates damage function at below specified depth (stage).

Beginning Station: Beginning station number for downstream end of damage reach. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 999,999.99. Value must be less than the Ending Station.

Both Banks: Indicator that the damage reach is delineated spatially over both banks of the stream. The stream cuts through the damage reach. Normally used for ponding or storage area reaches.

Bulletin 17B: A U. S. Geological Survey publication entitled, "Guidelines for Determining Flood Flow Frequency," by the Hydrology Subcommittee, Interagency Advisory Committee on Water Data, revised September 1981. The publication describes procedures for developing discharge-frequency functions using stream flow records. These procedures are recommended for all Federal agencies applications.

Compute Synthetic Statistics: The Log Pearson Type III statistics are computed based on the discharges associated with the .50, .10, and .01 probabilities of an adopted probability function. The synthetic statistics are based on equations given in Guidelines for Determining Flood Flow Frequency, Bulletin 17B, USGS, September 1981.

Confidence Limit Curves: Error limit curves about a Log Pearson Type III discharge-probability function developed using the non-central t distribution. Confidence limit curves are used to define the discharge-exceedance probability function's uncertainty.

Content/Structure Value Ratio Survey Error: The standard deviation as a percent associated with the uncertainty in estimating the content to structure value ratio. For example, for a content to structure value ratio of fifty percent, an entered standard deviation of ten (10) percent would mean that the ±1 standard deviation range is 45 to 55 percent.

Content to Structure Value Ratio: The numeric value in percent that represents the maximum content value divided by the maximum structure value for a particular structure occupancy type. Used to proportion the contents depth-percent damage function from the structure function.

Content Value: The value of the contents associated with the structure. Does not include the structure (building) value. Numeric value ranging from 0 to 999,999,999.

Damage: Economic loss associated with specific flood events. Value may be at a structure, damage reach, or entire study area.

Damage Category: Used to consolidate large number of structures into specific groups of similar characteristics for analysis and reporting purposes. Damage categories are defined for the study.

Damage Reaches: Damage reaches are spatial floodplain areas. You use damage reaches to define consistent data for plan evaluations and to aggregate structure and other potential inundation damage information by stage of flooding. You define a damage reach by the beginning and ending stations (river mile, kilometer, etc.) along the stream and extend it in the floodplain to include the largest flood deemed possible. Damage reaches are unique to a stream for the entire study. They are integral to both the hydrology and economic analyses. You may specify a damage reach for the right or left bank (as looking downstream) or both. You must delineate the damage reach consistent with flood damage reduction measures, i.e., a channel may be analyzed with a damage reach covering both banks, but a levee only one.

Depth: Distance of the water surface straight down to the point of interest. Normally, refers to a value associated with corresponding damage from the depth of water.

Depth-Damage Functions: Relationship of depth of water to damage at a structure. Damage is normally as a percent of the structure or content value. The functions are generic for similar structures and are not tied to the structure location.

Depth-Direct Dollar Content Damage: Relationship of depth and direct (actual) content dollar damage values at the structure location.

Depth-Direct Dollar Structure Damage: Relationship of depth and direct (actual) structure dollar damage values at the structure location.

Depth-Percent Damage: Defines the percent of the maximum structure damage for a range of flood stages at a structure. The percent-damage is multiplied by the structure value to get a unique depth-damage function at the structure.

Discharge: The volume of water passing a specific point for a given time interval. For example, 2,000 cubic feet per second or 1,000 cubic meters per second.

Discharge-Exceedance Probability: The relationship of peak discharge to the probability of that discharge being exceeded in any given year.

Economic Analysis: The flood damage computational part of a study involving specification of damage categories depth-damage functions, structure inventory, development of aggregated stage-damage-uncertainty functions and analysis of expected and equivalent annual damage.

Effective Wave Height: The vertical distance between the crest of a wave and the preceding wave trough.

Ending Station: Ending station number for upstream end of damage reach. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 999,999.99. Value must be greater than the Beginning Station.

English Units: Data entry and output reports are English Units and not SI Units. Indicator is for labeling purposes only. No conversions are performed in this program version.

Equivalent Annual Damage: The damage value associated with the without-or-with project condition over the analysis period (project life) considering changes in hydrology, hydraulics, and flood damage conditions over the life. Expected annual damage is computed for each analysis year and discounted to present worth which is then annualized to obtain the equivalent annual damage value. Rather than compute the expected annual damage for each year, it is computed for the base year and most likely future years and interpolated for subsequent years. The expected annual damage for years beyond the most likely future conditions year is assumed equal to that year.

Equivalent Record Length: Number of years of a systematic record of recorded peak discharges at a stream gage. For probability functions derived at ungaged locations using model or other data, the equivalent record length is estimated based on the overall "worth" or "quality" of the frequency function expressed as the number of years-of-record. This parameter is important in risk-based analysis because it relates directly to the uncertainty of the probability function.

Error Distribution: A statistical relationship of possible outcomes that defines the dispersion or variation of errors about the median or "best estimate" of values along a function. Error or uncertainty distributions are used to quantify errors probabilistically when using risk-based analysis. The magnitude and range of the distribution can be defined using error limit or confidence limit curves above and below the median curve.

Error Distribution Parameters: Statistics or other values that define error probability or uncertainty distributions about stage-discharge or other functions. The parameters are dependent on the type of distribution. The

magnitude and range of the distribution can be defined using error limit or confidence limit curves above and below the median curve.

Error Limit Curves: Curves above and below the median or "best estimate" curve that define the distribution of errors about the best estimate values. Error limit curves define the uncertainty of functions and are developed by fitting a statistical distribution to known data or the results of model sensitivity analyses.

Exceedance Probability Event: The probability that a specific event will occur in any given year. For example, the .01 exceedance probability event has one chance in a hundred or a one percent chance of occurring in any given year.

Expected Annual Damage: The integral of the damage-probability function. In risk-based analysis it is equal to the average or mean of all possible values of damage determined by exhaustive Monte Carlo sampling of discharge-exceedance probability, stage-discharge, and stage-damage relationships and their associated uncertainties.

Expected Value: The mean or average value. For normal probability density functions the expected, median, and mode are the same.

Exterior: The "exterior" side of the levee or flood wall is the river side where the stage-discharge function applies.

First Floor: The normal entry floor of a building.

First Floor Stage: The stage or elevation of the first floor of the structure. Numeric value ranging from -300 to 30,000.

First Floor Stage Uncertainty: The error of uncertainty in the first floor stage estimate of a particular structure occupancy type. Based on the procedures/type of surveys used to estimate the first floor stage. A normal, triangular, or log normal error distribution may be used.

Flood Damage Reduction: Measures and actions taken to reduce flood damage. These may include implementation of reservoirs, detention storage, channel, diversions, levees and floodwalls, interior systems, flood proofing, raising, relocation, and flood warning-preparedness actions.

Flood Inundation Damage: The damage that results to structures, contents, automobiles, traffic, infrastructure, etc. when flood waters covers or inundates them.

Flood Risk: The risk associated with being flooded. Risk performance indicators used in the analysis are 1) the expected annual stage exceedance probability; 2) long-term risk (a .26 probability of the .01 exceedance

probability event occurring over a thirty year period); and 3) conditional probability of non-exceedance (the project has a .95 probability of containing the .01 exceedance probability event should it occur).

Flow Transform Relationship: A relationship that defines the outflow at a specific point on a stream or river based on the inflow at that point. These functions are used to modify the discharge during at a specific step in the risk-based analysis. An example would be a regulated versus unregulated function for a reservoir that could be used instead of a regulated discharge-probability function to represent the effect of a reservoir.

Foundation Height: The vertical distance between the ground stage and first floor stage at the structure.

Fragility curve: Alternative term for 'geotechnical failure function'; see below.

Geotechnical Failure Analysis: Analysis of a non-standard levee that has the potential to fail geo-technically before overtopping. Geotechnical failure causes include seepage, piping, and stuffing. A single relationship of exterior levee stage versus probability of geotechnical failure (all combinations) are developed external to the program and entered for analysis.

Geotechnical Failure Function: A single relationship of exterior levee stage versus probability of geotechnical failure (all combinations).

Graphical Discharge (or Stage) Probability Function: A graphical or non-analytical discharge- or stage-probability function is one drawn graphically by an eye-fit curve. The function is assumed not fitted by an analytical distribution. For HEC-FDA, graphical functions should use Wiebull's plotting positions (not median) since the normal distribution is used to represent expected values in the order statistics approach to define the error bands.

Ground Stage: The stage or elevation of the ground at the structure. Numeric value ranging from -300 to 30,000.

HEC-2: The Hydrologic Engineering Center's Water Surface Profile Computations computer program. The program output may be designed to enable ready import of water surface profiles data sets into the HEC-FDA program.

HEC-RAS: The Hydrologic Engineering Center's River Analysis System computer program for computing water surface profiles for a series of flood events. The program output may be designed to enable ready import of water surface profile data sets into the HEC-FDA program.

HEC-SID: The Hydrologic Engineering Center's Structure Inventory for Damage computer program. The structure inventory and depth-percent damage functions may be imported into the HEC-FDA program.

Historic Events: Observed and sometimes recorded flood events such as the 1973 Flood or 1993 Flood.

Hydrologic Engineering: Hydrology and hydraulic technical studies necessary for performing flood damage reduction studies.

Hydrology & Hydraulics: Hydrology involves the estimation of the amount and shape of the runoff response throughout the study area. It also includes the frequency of the events. Hydraulics involves analysis of stream water surface profiles, flood inundation boundaries, and other technical studies of stream flow characteristics.

Hypothetical Probability Events: A series of hydrographs derived from rainfall-runoff analysis using hypothetical frequency based rainfall patterns. Rainfall values are normally derived from National Weather Service Publications e.g., Technical Papers TP 40 and TP 49.

Image: Picture stored in digital format for display. Normally used for important structures.

Index Location Station: A stream station location within a damage reach used to specify discharge-probability, stage-discharge, and stage-damage functions with uncertainty data for plan evaluations for that damage reach. Also, the index location station (corresponding stream station) is used for aggregation of stage-damage functions with uncertainty by damage category under economic analysis. The index location station is defined between the beginning and ending station values and normally where data is deemed most reliable, such as a streamgage location. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 999,999.99. Value must be greater than the Beginning Station and less than or equal to the Ending Station.

Interior: The "interior" side of the levee or flood wall is the floodplain or protected side where the stage-damage function applies.

Invert: Stage associated with zero discharge or bottom of channel. The range of allowable values is from -300.00 to 30,000.00.

Left Bank: Indicates that the damage reach is only along the left bank of the stream. The left bank is defined looking downstream or with the current of the stream.

Levee Overtopping: Analysis of levee overtopping.

Log Normal Distribution: A two-parameter probability distribution defined by the mean and standard deviation. A non-symmetrical distribution applicable to many kinds of data sets where the majority (more than half) of values are less than the mean but values greater than the mean can be extreme, such as with stream flow data. The distribution is truncated at three standard deviations.

Log Pearson Type III Distribution: Analytical discharge-probability functions can be defined (fit) with a statistical distribution such as Log Pearson Type III. The distribution has statistical parameters that define the moments of the data about the analytical curve. For a Log Pearson Type III distribution, these statistical parameters are mean (first moment), standard deviation (second moment), and weighted skew (third moment). Also, an there is an additional parameter, equivalent record length.

Mean: The average value of a set of numbers, such as the annual peak discharges that have occurred over a period of time. The first moment statistic of a Log Pearson Type III analytical discharge-probability function, representing the average of the logarithms of peak discharge values.

Median: Value where there is a .5 probability that the actual value is less than that value. The middle value of an ordered list.

Mode: The most frequently occurring value in a data set.

Monetary Units: Monetary units used for all study data and output reports. There are three hardwired choices ($'s, $1,000's, and $1,000,000's), with $1,000's being the default. Monetary units are used only as labels.

Most Likely Future: The most likely future condition development projection for a specific future year. Used in equivalent analysis of project over it's life. Normally 25-30 years out from Base Year. Must be greater than Base Year.

Nonstructural: Nonstructural measures include raising, relocating, flood proofing, and regulatory and emergency actions associated with structures and damageable property that modify the existing and/or future damage susceptibility.

Normal Distribution: A two-parameter probability distribution defined by the mean and standard deviation. A symmetrical "bell shaped" curve applicable to many kinds of data sets where values are equally likely to be greater than or less than the mean. Also called a Gaussian distribution. The distribution is truncated at three standard deviations.

Ordered Events: Ranked events or plotting positions that define a graphical discharge- or stage-probability function. Ordered events are used to determine the uncertainty about the discharge- or stage-probability function using order statistics. The Wiebull's plotting positions, which represent expected values, should be used.

Order Statistics: Statistical procedure for defining the sample errors of events that define a graphical frequency function. Order statistics are used to define the uncertainty (error limit curves) about a graphical frequency function defined by Weibull plotting positions (ordered events) for a specified equivalent record length. A normal distribution is used to define the errors.

Plan Evaluation: The assessment of economic and plan performance to determine the impact of one or more plans versus the without-project condition. Results may be viewed by specific analysis years or as equivalent annual values for the project life.

Plan Formulation: The development and evaluation of one or more measures and actions into a plan designed to reduce flood damage for one or more damage reaches.

Plan Performance: A measure of the hydrologic and/or economic efficiency of a flood damage reduction plan. Performance is measured in terms of risk of flooding in a year and over a specified number of years and an expected annual flood damage. Risk-based analysis is used to determine plan performance.

Plans: A set of one or more flood damage reduction measures or actions designed to operate over a period of time (project life). The plan is inclusive of the entire study area although it may have a flood damage reduction measure for a single damage reach.

Ponding Area: Storage area usually a lake or pond normally requiring stage-frequency functions instead of discharge-frequency functions for analyses.

Price Index: The economic index value associated with the present value. Used to globally update the economic (flood damage) values over the base price index value. Numeric, up to 10 digit fixed point value. If blank, the base price index is used and no adjustments are made to the economic data.

Price Year: The price year associated with present updated economic (flood damage) values over the base price index. Numeric four digit value. If blank, the base price year is used. Global price indices may be overwritten for specific damage categories on the Economics/Damage Categories data entry screen.

Probability: The values ranging from zero to one of the number of outcomes in an exhaustive set of equally likely outcomes that produce the event divided by the total number of outcomes (Frequency divided by 100).

Probability Function: A discharge- or stage-exceedance probability relationship for a reach developed by traditional, site specific, hydrologic engineering analysis procedures.

Probability Function Statistics: Reports the statistics entered or computed for an exceedance probability function. For the Log Person Type III distribution, the statistical parameters are mean log (first moment), standard deviation (second moment), skew (third moment), and equivalent record length. For synthetic or parameter fitting (Compute Synthetic Statistics), the computed statistical parameters are mean, standard deviation, skew, and equivalent record length. Also, the mean discharge is computed and is equal to the anti-log of the mean log. The statistics reported for a non-analytical probability function is the equivalent record length.

Probability Function Type: Probability function type is either graphical (discharge- or stage-probability). An analytical discharge-exceedance probability function is one that can be fit with an analytical (statistical) distribution such as Log Person Type III. A graphical discharge- or stage-exceedance probability function is one that is best fit by a graphical, eye-fit curve.

Probability Ordinates: The discharge or stage values corresponding to specific probabilities from a discharge- or stage-exceedance probability function.

Project Life: The period of time the plan is assumed in place and operational. Normally fifty years. The base year is the first year of the plan being operational.

Residual Risk: Flood risk that remains if a proposed flood damage reduction project is implemented. Includes the consequence of capacity exceedance.

Right Bank: Indicator that a damage reach is only along the right bank of the stream. The right bank is defined looking downstream or with the current of the stream.

Risk: The probability that an area will be flooded resulting in undesirable consequences.

Risk Analysis: Approach to evaluation and decision making that explicitly, and to the extent practical, analytically, incorporates consideration of risk and uncertainty.

SI Units: Metric units such as meters (stage, heights, etc.) and kilometers (distances).

Skew: A statistic used as a measure of the dispersion of the data about the mean equal to the number of values times the sum of the cubes of the deviations from the mean divided by the number of values minus one, times the number of values times two, times the standard deviation cubed. The third moment statistic of a Log Person Type III distribution, calculated using the mean logarithm, the standard deviation of the logs, and the logarithms or peak discharge values.

Stage: The vertical distance in feet (meters) above or below a local or national datum (N.G.V.D. for elevations).

Stage Associated with the Median One-Percent Chance Flood Discharge: The stage where the discharge, taken from the stage-discharge curve, has a probability (percent chance occurrence), taken from the discharge-probability curve, of one-percent.

Stage-Damage: The relationship of damage to a range of flood stages at a structure or the aggregated values of the structure damage by damage categories for a range of stages at the damage reach index location station.

Stage-Damage Functions with Uncertainty: Stage-damage functions with uncertainty are computed at each structure and aggregated by damage category to damage reach index locations. Stage is elevation or locally referenced stage associated with the structure and index location. Damage is the median estimate of structure, content, or other inundation reduction damage associated with the stage of flood waters at the location. Uncertainty in the stage-damage function is due to errors in estimating the depth-damage function, first floor stage, structure value, and content to structure value ratio.

Stage-Damage Uncertainty: Error (uncertainty) in estimating the stage-damage values. The only error probability density function available is normal.

Stage-Direct Dollar Content Damage: Relationship of depth and direct (actual) content damage values at the structure location.

Stage-Direct Dollar Structure Damage: Relationship of depth and direct (actual) structure dollar damage values at the structure location.

Stage-Discharge: The relationship of stage to a range of discharge values at a specific location.

Stage-Discharge Function: A graphical relationship that yields the stage for a given discharge at a specific location on a stream or river. Referred to as a rating function or curve. These relationships are usually developed by computing water surface profiles for several discharges and plotting the stages vs. discharge relationship at a specific stream location.

Stage-Discharge Functions with Uncertainty: Relationship of the water surface stage and discharge. Uncertainty is the distribution of the errors of stage estimates about a specific discharge. The error probability density functions available are normal, log normal, and triangular.

Stage-Probability Water Surface Profiles: Water surface profiles are stage based. The stage values are required for each station and water surface profile analyzed.

Stage-Probability Functions with Uncertainty: Relationship of water surface stage and exceedance probability of occurrence. Uncertainty is the distribution of the errors of stage estimates about a specific ordinate. The ordered statistics approach is used to define the errors of the graphical relationship.

Standard Deviation: A statistic used as a measure of the variation in a distribution, equal to the square root of the sum of the squares of the deviations from the arithmetic mean divided by the number of values minus one. The second moment statistic of a Log Pearson Type III analytical discharge-probability function calculated using the mean logarithm and the logarithms of peak discharge values.

Steady Flow: State where depth in flow is open channel does not change during the time interval under consideration, (Chow, Open Channel Hydraulics, 1959).

Still Water Stage: Stage that the water surface assumes if all wave action is absent.

Storage Area: Storage area is a water body such as a lake or pond that normally requires a stage-frequency instead of discharge-frequency function analysis.

Streams: Streams are defined for the study and are therefore common for all plans and analyses. They include one or more damage reaches. They are used to aggregate data entry and output report information by the stream title. Streams are generalized to include rivers, creeks, bayous, channels, ditches, canals and even ponding areas. One or more streams

may be specified as part of the study area. Several hydraulic routing reaches along the stream are normally combined by stream name for analysis and reporting purposes. Water surface profile data are entered by streams.

Stream Station: Study adopted stations along the stream normally denoted as miles (kilometers) above the mouth of the stream. Must be consistent between damage reach boundaries, damage reach index location, water surface profiles, and structure location. The range of allowable values is from -9,999,999.99 to 9,999,999.99.

Structure Coordinates: The x, y spatial coordinates of the location of the structure.

Structure Occupancy Type: The name given to a similar set of structures that is used to define the depth-percent damage function and first floor, structure value, and content/structure value ratio uncertainty of the type of structures. Each structure is assigned to a structure occupancy type. Several structure occupancy types may be assigned to the specified study damage category. For example: single-story no basement, single-story with basement, duplexes, mobile homes are structure occupancy types assigned to a residential damage category. An existing structure occupancy type can be selected, updated, and deleted. The length is 16 characters.

Structure Value: The standard deviation in percent of structure value associated with the uncertainty in the structure value estimate for a particular structure occupancy type. A normal distribution is used.

Structure Year: The year the structure is built. Used for economic evaluations. Important for analysis of base and future analysis years in that only structures specified with those or previous years are included in the analysis.

Study: The investigation of with- and without-project conditions involving hydrology, hydraulics, economics, plan formulation and evaluation. All the above information is stored under the study directory.

Study Configuration: The information that is multiple discipline used throughout the study. Includes definition of streams, damage reaches, plans and analysis years. These data are commonly used during H&H (hydrology and hydraulics) and Economic analysis. Definition of the study configuration should be a multi-disciplinary activity.

Surveyed Year: The year associated with the structure survey flood damage values used in the structure inventory.

System of Units: Units of measure for study data and output reports. There are two hardwired choices (SI (metric) and English), with English being the default. The units are used only as labels.

Top of Levee Stage: The stage of the top of the levee, flood wall, or tidal barrier that exists at the site or is being evaluated.

Total Overtopping Height (HW): The difference between the levee or flood wall stage and the sum of the still water stage and the wave runup. Wave runup is assumed equal to wave height if the still water stage is below the levee or flood wall and two-thirds wave height if the still water elevation is above the levee or flood wall. These assumptions for wave runup are appropriate for non-coastal applications where waves are relatively small.

Triangular Distribution: A three-parameter bounded probability distribution defined by the minimum, most likely (mode), and maximum.

Uncertainty: Measure of imprecision of knowledge of parameters and functions used to describe hydraulic, hydrologic, geotechnical and economic aspects of a project plan.

Uncertainty Distribution: A statistical relationship of possible outcomes that defines the dispersion or variation of errors about the median or "best estimate" of values along a function. Uncertainty distributions are used to quantify errors probabilistically when using risk-based analysis. The magnitude and range of the distribution can be defined using error limit or confidence limit curves above and below the median curve.

Uniform Distribution: A two-parameter bounded probability distribution defined by the minimum and maximum that is used for data that varies uniformly between the minimum and maximum values.

Unsteady Flow: The flow condition where depth changes with time (Chow, Open-channel Hydraulics, 1959).

Updated Price Index: A value used to update all economic (structure damage) values to present (or other) values. The range of allowable values is from 0.00 to 100.00. If left blank, the default will be 1.00 and no adjustments are made to the economic data.

Updated Year: The price year associated with the updated price index. Must be greater than or equal to the Surveyed Year. If left blank, the default will be the Surveyed Year.

Water Surface Profiles: Water surface profiles are used to develop without- and with-project condition stage-discharge (rating) functions at a index location station within a damage reach. Also, water surface profiles

are used to aggregate stage-damage functions with uncertainty at a index location station within a damage reach. If provided, the profiles are used in the development of discharge- and stage-probability functions, if not, the stage-discharge (rating) and discharge- or stage-probability functions must be entered directly. Discharge values used in the water surface profile analyses should be median values. A set of water surface profiles is specified for each plan, analysis year, and stream to be analyzed.

Wave Height: The vertical distance between the crest of a wave and the preceding wave trough. Wave height is dependent on still water level.

Wave Overtopping: The effects of water overtopping a levee or flood wall and the associated contribution to flood depth on the interior.

Weighted Skew: A statistic used as a measure of the dispersion of the data about the mean equal to the number of values times the sum of the cubes of the deviations from the mean divided by the number of values minus one, times the number of values minus two, times the standard deviation cubed. The third moment statistic of a Log Pearson Type III analytical discharge-probability function calculated using the mean logarithm, the standard deviation of the logs, and the logarithms of peak discharge values.

With-Project Condition: The economic, performance, and other conditions associated with implementing a flood damage reduction plan. It is compared to the without-project condition. It includes the base-year and static future analysis year periods to determine the equivalent values.

Without-Project Condition: The condition of the study area for the project life analysis period that is anticipated to most likely occur if the flood damage reduction measures and actions are not implemented. It includes the base year and static future analysis year periods to determine the equivalent values. It is the basis or baseline condition for evaluating the benefits and performance of potential flood damage reduction plans. Emphasis is initially placed on defining the without-project base-year conditions.

Year in Service: Year that a particular structure was built or a future year when the structure is assumed to be in place. Used to designate which structures are to be used for the specified analysis years. Only structures with year in service dates equal or less than the designated analysis years are used.

Appendix C

Creating Water Surface Profile Data

The HEC-FDA program can import water surface profile data (see Chapter 4, Section 4.3, pages 4-5 thru 4-6) generated by the Water Surface Profiles (HEC-2) program (USACE, 1991) or the River Analysis System (HEC-RAS) program (USACE, 2010a). This Appendix provides information on how to generate the data files you will need from HEC-2 or HEC-RAS for importing into FDA.

After the water surface profile data has been generated, the next step will be to import the water surface profile data into HEC-FDA. Chapter 4, Section 4.3 (pages 4-5 through 4-7) will provide the user with the necessary instructions.

C.1   Creating Water Surface Profile Data from HEC-2

After the HEC-2 program has been used to compute multiple-profiles for eight frequency-based flows, the Summary Printout (SUMPO) program is used to create a text file of the water surface profile data for importing into the FDA program. The SUMPO program is part of the HEC-2 package.

The SUMPO program is selected as the run command choice in theHEC-2 Package Menu. The following steps are taken to create a text file of the WSP data to import:

- From the SUMPO dialog box, select **Create summary tables** from the menu.

- The variables Section Number (SECNO), Total Discharge (Q), Minimum Cross-Section Elevation (ELMIN), and Computed Water Surface Elevation (CWSEL) are selected, in that order, for the summary table.

- "O" is selected to write the summary table to a file.

- Select all or the appropriate cross-sections for the stream by answering the question "Output all cross sections (y/n)?" with "y" for yes.

- Select the profiles in the same manner by answering the question "Output all profiles (y/n)?" with "y" for yes.

- Answer "No" to, "Include summary errors in output (y/n)?" and, "Append output to output file (y/n)?"

- Press <Enter> to generate the report.

The file name will be the same as your input data file with an extension of .SMP unless it is changed by selecting "Define files & printer width" in SUMPO. Once the table is generated, check the results to see if it included the eight profiles and the stations for the stream of interest by displaying the file to the console or viewing it with a text viewer or editor. An example of a portion of a SUMPO text file is shown in Figure C.1.

```
              S U M P O
    Interactive Summary Printout
   for MS DOS/PC DOS micro computers
   Sept 1988 version (9/89 update)
    *                                    *


  NOTE    Asterisk (*) at left of profile number
          indicates message in summary of errors   list


SOUTH FORK BEAR CREEK

Summary Printout

    SECNO       Q        ELMIN      CWSEL

       .80    2790.00    416.50     424.68
       .80    4030.00    416.50     426.58
       .80    5530.00    416.50     428.56
       .80    7100.00    416.50     430.39
       .80    8100.00    416.50     431.39
       .80    9550.00    416.50     432.90
       .80   10620.00    416.50     433.92
       .80   12870.00    416.50     435.88

       .82    2790.00    416.10     424.81
       .82    4030.00    416.10     426.70
       .82    5530.00    416.10     428.67
       .82    7100.00    416.10     430.48
       .82    8100.00    416.10     431.47
       .82    9550.00    416.10     432.95
       .82   10620.00    416.10     433.95
       .82   12870.00    416.10     435.85
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Figure C.1 Partial Listing of SUMPO Water Surface Profile Data

C.2   Creating Water Surface Profile Data from HEC-RAS, Steady Flow

After HEC-RAS has been executed, program options can be used to create a text file of the water surface profile data for importing into the HEC-FDA program. Separate data files are created for each plan and stream.

Error messages will be displayed if more than one stream or plan is included in the file you are attempting to import. If this happens, return to the HEC-RAS program and re-generate the file with one stream and/or plan, as needed. Note that river tributaries may be designated only as separate hydraulic reaches in HEC-RAS. When importing this data into HEC-FDA, tributaries are generally considered separate streams and water surface profile data should be imported separately for each stream. When the HEC-RAS analysis has been completed, do the following:

- From the HEC-RAS main window, on the **View** menu click **Profile Summary Table**, the **Profile Output Table – Standard Table 1** dialog box will open.

- From the **Profile Output Table – Standard Table 1,** on the **Std. Table** menu, click **HEC-FDA**. Now the dialog box will change to the **HEC-RAS Profile Output Table – HEC-FDA** (Figure C.2).

Reach	River Sta	Profile	Q Total	Min Ch El	W.S. Elev
			(cfs)	(ft)	(ft)
HR1	13.377	PF 1	210.00	528.50	534.14
HR1	13.377	PF 2	250.00	528.50	534.44
HR1	13.377	PF 3	370.00	528.50	535.17
HR1	13.377	PF 4	588.00	528.50	536.11
HR1	13.377	PF 5	684.00	528.50	536.42
HR1	13.377	PF 6	840.00	528.50	536.85
HR1	13.377	PF 7	960.00	528.50	537.13
HR1	13.377	PF 8	1272.00	528.50	537.76
HR1	13.322	PF 1	210.00	528.00	532.58
HR1	13.322	PF 2	250.00	528.00	532.85
HR1	13.322	PF 3	370.00	528.00	533.52
HR1	13.322	PF 4	588.00	528.00	534.38
HR1	13.322	PF 5	684.00	528.00	534.65
HR1	13.322	PF 6	840.00	528.00	535.01
HR1	13.322	PF 7	960.00	528.00	535.24
HR1	13.322	PF 8	1272.00	528.00	535.71
HR1	13.198	PF 1	210.00	526.50	528.94
HR1	13.198	PF 2	250.00	526.50	529.25

Total flow in cross section.

Figure C.2 HEC-RAS Profile Output Table for HEC-FDA

- From the **Options** menu:
  - ► Click **Plans**, from the **Plan Selection** dialog box, select the appropriate plan.

► Click **Profiles**, from the **Select Profiles** dialog box, select the appropriate water surface profiles (FDA requires eight profiles).

► Click **Reaches**, from the **Select Rivers and Reaches** dialog box, select the appropriate hydraulic reach(es).

► To save the table with the above options, click **Save Table**. From the **HEC-RAS** dialog box enter a filename.

● Once the table is generated (see Figure C.2, page C-3), check the results to see if eight profiles and the stations for the stream of interest are included.

● To save the profile summary table to a text file, on the **File** menu, click **Write to Text File**, the **Enter Filename** browser will open. Enter a name in the **File name** box, the extension of the file will be *.txt*. When importing HEC-RAS results, FDA filters files to show only those with the extension *.wsp*. You will need to rename the profile output table file to use the extension *.wsp* before importing it into FDA.

Figure C.3 contains an example partial listing of a saved profile summary text file that was saved from HEC-RAS.

```
Profile Output Table - HEC-FDA Silver Creek
HEC-RAS  Plan: SC Flow

# Rivers           = 1
# Hydraulic Reaches = 2
# River Stations    = 481
# Plans            = 1
# Profiles         = 8

 Reach            River Sta       Profile          Q Total  Min Ch El  W.S. Elev
                                                     (cfs)      (ft)       (ft)

 Silver Lower     39758.          2yr              4000.00     20.60      30.65
 Silver Lower     39758.          5yr              8500.00     20.60      34.46
 Silver Lower     39758.          10yr            10500.00     20.60      35.85
 Silver Lower     39758.          25yr            12000.00     20.60      36.74
 Silver Lower     39758.          50yr            32000.00     20.60      44.19
 Silver Lower     39758.          100yr           70000.00     20.60      50.31
 Silver Lower     39758.          250yr          100000.00     20.60      53.75
 Silver Lower     39758.          500yr          154000.00     20.60      56.38

 Silver Lower     39943.3*        2yr              4000.00     20.89      30.84
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        5yr              8500.00     20.89      34.65
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        10yr            10500.00     20.89      36.03
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        25yr            12000.00     20.89      36.93
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        50yr            32000.00     20.89      44.42
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        100yr           70000.00     20.89      50.50
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        250yr          100000.00     20.89      54.24
 Silver Lower     39943.3*        500yr          154000.00     20.89      56.82
```

Figure C.3 Partial Listing of File from HEC-RAS Profile Output Table

C.3   Creating Water Surface Profile Data from HEC-RAS, Unsteady Flow

Creating water surface profile data from HEC-RAS unsteady flow computations is very similar to creating water surface profile data from

steady flow profiles (see Section C.2, page C-2). The big difference is that in HEC-RAS, eight hydraulic plans can be created, one for each exceedance probability event, and there is only one profile for each hydraulic plan. The profile is for the maximum water surface elevation with a corresponding flow that may or may not be the maximum discharge. The plans must be in order of decreasing exceedance probability (e.g., the first plan may be for exceedance probability 0.50; the second plan may be for exceedance probability 0.20, etc.). As with steady profiles, only one stream at a time can be saved from HEC-RAS and imported into HEC-FDA. The eight hydraulic plans make up one flood damage analysis plan. Once a HEC-RAS profile table is created, it is saved to a text file; there must be one text file for a single instance of flood damage plan, stream, and analysis year. When the HEC-RAS analysis has been completed do the following:

- From the HEC-RAS main window, on the **View** menu click **Profile Summary Table**, the **HEC-RAS Profile Output Table – Standard Table 1** dialog box will open.

- From the **HEC-RAS Profile Output Table – Standard Table 1,** on the **Std. Table** menu, click **HEC-FDA**. Now the dialog box will change to the **HEC-RAS Profile Output Table – HEC-FDA** (see Figure C.2, page C-3). The resulting table might be for one plan and one profile. At this point, you need to select the appropriate hydraulic plan(s).

- From the **Options** menu:

  ► Click **Plans**, from the **Plan Selection** dialog box (Figure C.4), select the appropriate plan(s).
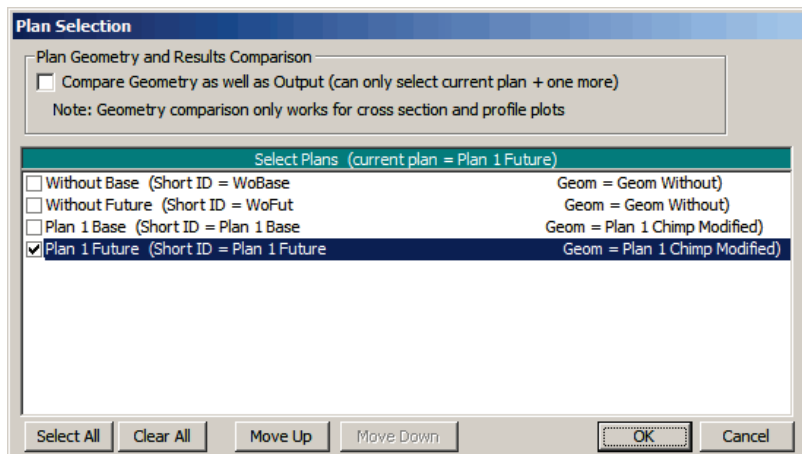
Figure C.4 Selecting Eight Plans, One for Each Event

For example in Figure C.4 (see page C-5), eight plans are selected and represent a range of exceedance probability

events. The plans are in the proper order ranging from the 2 year to the 500 year event. If the plans were not in the correct order, you can arrange the plan by clicking on **Move Up** and **Move Down**.

► Click **Profiles**, the **Select Profiles** selector opens (Figure C.5). Select the appropriate water surface profiles (FDA requires eight profiles).
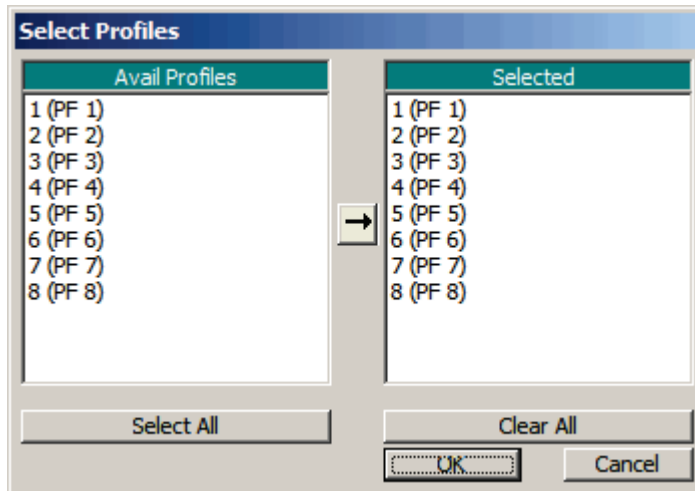
Figure C.5 Selecting Maximum Profile

► Click **Reaches**, from the **Select Rivers and Reaches** selector opens (Figure C.6). Select the appropriate hydraulic reach(es). In the example (Figure C.6), there is one reach on the South Fork Bear River that are selected.
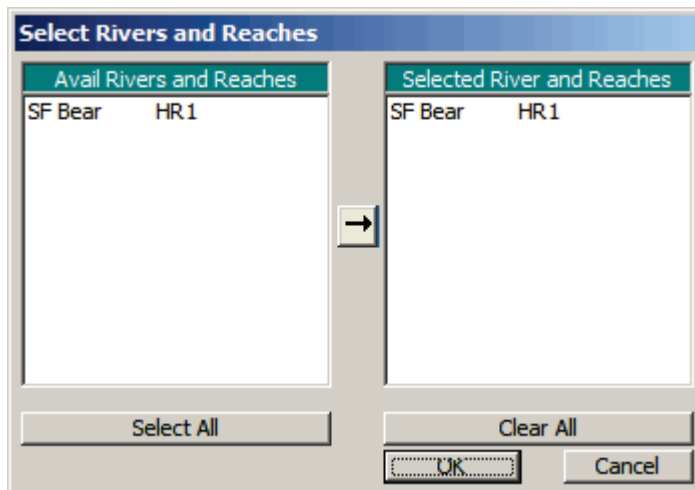
Figure C.6 Selecting the Hydraulic Reach or Reaches

► At this point, we have selected the hydraulic plans, profile, and reaches and will get a HEC-FDA summary table as shown in Figure C.7 (page C-7).

```
Profile Output Table - HEC-FDA
HEC-RAS    Profile: Max WS

# Rivers          = 1
# Hydraulic Reaches = 10
# River Stations  = 431
# Plans           = 8
# Profiles        = 1

Reach           River Sta      Plan              Q Total  Min Ch El  W.S. Elev
                                                    (cfs)      (ft)       (ft)
|
REACH 1         101.8          2-YrWP_NED        10765.09    302.14     315.68
REACH 1         101.8          5-YrWP NED        16704.45    302.14     318.90
REACH 1         101.8          10-YrWP NED       20775.08    302.14     320.79
REACH 1         101.8          20-YrWP_NED       25226.89    302.14     322.66
REACH 1         101.8          50-YrWP_NED       31924.06    302.14     325.23
REACH 1         101.8          100-YrWP_NED      37121.00    302.14     327.10
REACH 1         101.8          200-YrWP_NED      42637.09    302.14     328.99
REACH 1         101.8          500-YrWP_NED      51195.75    302.14     331.60

REACH 1         101.702*       2-YrWP_NED        10751.45    301.28     314.68
REACH 1         101.702*       5-YrWP NED        16683.62    301.28     317.88
REACH 1         101.702*       10-YrWP NED       20756.23    301.28     319.77
REACH 1         101.702*       20-YrWP_NED       25210.76    301.28     321.64
REACH 1         101.702*       50-YrWP_NED       31866.95    301.28     324.22
REACH 1         101.702*       100-YrWP_NED      37054.16    301.28     326.10
REACH 1         101.702*       200-YrWP_NED      42611.78    301.28     328.01
REACH 1         101.702*       500-YrWP_NED      51156.80    301.28     330.57

REACH 1         101.605*       2-YrWP_NED        10741.42    300.43     313.65
REACH 1         101.605*       5-YrWP NED        16667.56    300.43     316.83
REACH 1         101.605*       10-YrWP NED       20742.26    300.43     318.72
REACH 1         101.605*       20-YrWP_NED       25185.86    300.43     320.59
REACH 1         101.605*       50-YrWP_NED       31850.38    300.43     323.17
REACH 1         101.605*       100-YrWP_NED      37034.41    300.43     325.07
REACH 1         101.605*       200-YrWP_NED      42589.09    300.43     326.98
REACH 1         101.605*       500-YrWP_NED      51139.13    300.43     329.48

REACH 1         101.508*       2-YrWP_NED        10736.84    299.57     312.58
REACH 1         101.508*       5-YrWP NED        16660.58    299.57     315.73
REACH 1         101.508*       10-YrWP NED       20733.16    299.57     317.61
REACH 1         101.508*       20-YrWP_NED       25175.01    299.57     319.48
REACH 1         101.508*       50-YrWP_NED       31835.04    299.57     322.08
REACH 1         101.508*       100-YrWP_NED      37016.37    299.57     324.01
REACH 1         101.508*       200-YrWP_NED      42568.77    299.57     325.90
REACH 1         101.508*       500-YrWP_NED      51115.23    299.57     328.33

REACH 1         101.411*       2-YrWP_NED        10730.22    298.71     311.43
REACH 1         101.411*       5-YrWP NED        16654.43    298.71     314.55
REACH 1         101.411*       10-YrWP NED       20729.54    298.71     316.42
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Figure C.7 Example HEC-FDA Profile Text File

► To save the table with the above options, from the **Profile Output Table- Standard Table 1** dialog box, from the **File** menu, click **Write to Text File**. The **Enter filename** browser opens; from the **File name** text box you will specify a filename. The extension of the file will be *.txt*. When importing HEC-RAS results, FDA filters files to show only those with the extension *.wsp*. You will need to rename the profile output table file to use the extension *.wsp* before importing it into FDA.

Figure C.7 contains an example partial listing of a saved profile summary text file that was saved from HEC-RAS for use with HEC-FDA. It is called *TestChehalis_NED.txt* and is renamed to *TestChehalis_NED.wsp*.

Appendix D

Importing HEC-FDA Study Data

D.1   HEC-FDA Study Data

HEC-FDA imports several primary data types from delimited files. By default, FDA expects the fields to be separated by the tab character. These data types are the primary reason for importing data but they may reference other data types that are assumed to already exist. For example, structure information is primary data, yet each structure references a stream which is assumed to already be defined. However, as part of the import process, FDA will add records (if they don't exist) to the database for some related data (such as streams) to facilitate successful transfer of data. Sometimes, this has unintended effects if you have entered the wrong name. FDA imports the following data:

- Plans (plan name). The plan names must be unique.

- Years (year). Enter a maximum of two years, each must be unique.

- Streams (stream name). The stream names must be unique.

- Damage reaches (reach name, stations, bank). The damage reach names must be unique. The index station must be between the beginning and ending stations inclusively. The damage reaches are defined by stream, station (river mile), and stream bank (left, right, or both). FDA assigns each structure to a damage reach using either the structure's stream, station (river mile), and bank (left or right)

- Damage Categories (damage category name). The names must be unique.

- Structure Occupancy Types (structure occupancy type name). The names must be unique and be assigned to a damage category. Each damage category may contain one or more structure occupancy type. (Example: Damage Category *SF Residential* may have the Structure Occupancy Types *1SNB, 1SWB, 2SNB, 2SWB*, etc.). Structure occupancy types contain the depth-damage functions and each structure occupancy type represents a type of dwelling. For example, separate structure occupancy types could represent the following:

- single family, no basement, wood frame construction;
- single family, with basement, masonry construction;
- public building, masonry construction, school; etc.

FDA will add structure occupancy types for each structure occupancy type referenced by the imported structure if that structure occupancy type does not exist. The structure occupancy types that are added contain no depth-damage functions, etc. You will have to edit the depth-damage functions or import them later.

- Structure modules (Structure module name).

- Structures (Structure name). Each structure must have a unique name. At entry, a structure must be assigned a stream, damage category, occupancy type, and structure module (base is default). Other parameters may be entered later before the calculation of stage-damage. Structure information includes such items as value of structure, contents, and "other," first floor elevation, and stream station (river mile).

- Water surface profiles. Each water surface profile must have a unique name. You may import either discharge or stage profiles.

- Exceedance Probability (frequency) curves.

- Stage-Discharge (rating) curves

- Damage Category (Damage Category Name).

- Levee data

D.2   Requirements for Importing from an ASCII Tab Delimited File

FDA imports data from a text file which contains delimited fields. By default, FDA expects the fields to be delimited by the tab character and the following sections of this appendix assume that you used the tab character as the separator. A different field separator can be specified, see Chapter 8, Section 8.3.2 (page 8-8).

The file contains a **TAB** between each field of data. The first line (row) of the file is a header record which contains fieldnames for each field of data. The fieldname in field one of the header record is a keyword (see Section D.2.1, page D-3) which identifies the data type. If the file contains data that FDA cannot import (such as structure square footage), you would leave the fieldname blank or enter a descriptor which is not a recognizable FDA fieldname.

D.2.1   Types of Study Data and Associated Keywords

FDA can import several types of data: plans, years, streams, damage reaches, damage categories, structure occupancy types, structure modules, structure inventories, water surface profiles, exceedance probability (frequency) functions, stage-discharge (rating) functions, and levee data. The header record (row one) for each data type must contain one of the correct keywords (Table D.1) in field one. FDA uses the keyword to determine the type of data that will be imported. Multiple types of data

Table D.1
HEC-FDA Keywords for Import File

Keyword	Type of Data
Plan_Name	Plans
Year_Name	Years
Strm_Nme	Streams
Rch_Name	Reaches
Cat_Name	Damage Categories
Occ_Name	Occupancy Types
Mod_Name	Structure Modules
SM_PLAN	Structure Module Assignments
Struc_Name	Structure inventory
WSP_Name	Water Surface Profiles
WSP_Probability	
WSP_Station	
Freq_Name	Exceedance Probability Functions
Rate_Name	Stage-Discharge Functions
Levee_Name	Levee Data
SD_Name	Stage-aggregated damage functions

may be entered in one file although it is usually best to enter different data types in separate files. The header record for each new data type must contain the keyword in field one and the fieldnames are included the subsequent fields of the header record. For example, Figure D.1 displays a section of an ASCII delimited file that has been setup for importing data into FDA.
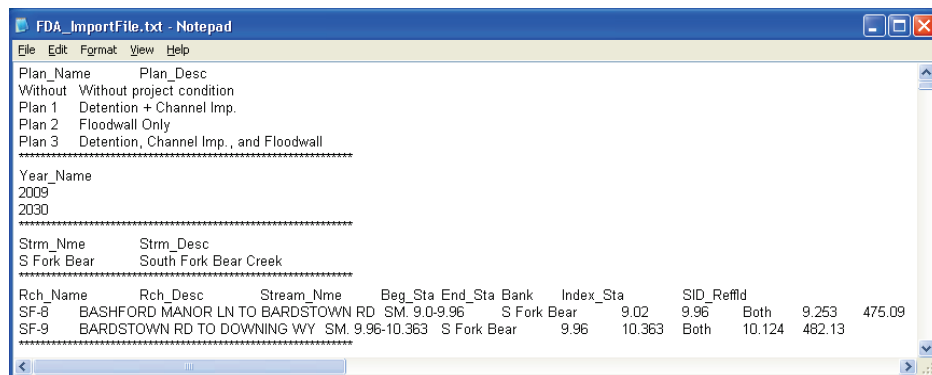
Figure D.1 Example ASCII Tab Delimited File for Importing Data

D.2.2 Format of Data and Fieldnames

The header record which contains the keyword and fieldnames for an FDA data type must precede any data associated with that data type. The following rules apply to the keywords and data:

- Data for the keyword must be unique for each record (unique category names, unique structure occupancy type names, unique structure names, etc.).

- The keyword and associated data must be entered. For example, when importing damage categories, the keyword **Cat_Name** must be entered in field one of the header record and a damage category name must be entered in field one of the subsequent records that define the data for each damage category. Other fields may be omitted unless required by the FDA program. For example, each structure must be assigned to a damage category so each structure entry must include a damage category name.

- By default, fieldnames and data fields are separated by the **TAB** delimiter, the user can specify other field separators (see Chapter 8, Section 8.3.2, page 8-8). A typical way to create a file for importing data into FDA is to enter the data in a spreadsheet program such as Excel®. From the spreadsheet, first save the spreadsheet and then save the current Excel® file as "Text (Tab-delimited) (*.txt)". The FDA program assumes the extension ".txt" for a file that is to be imported, although you can use any extension you like.

- Other than the keyword (must be in field one of the header record), other fields may be entered in any order and data not recognized by FDA can be interspersed anywhere.

- The fieldnames are entered on the header record.

- All data may be in one file but it is advisable to keep the structures separate from other types of data such as occupancy codes strictly from a visual standpoint and to maintain integrity in the field formatting and width.

- Numeric data cannot contain commas. For example, a structure value of $12,300 must be entered as 12000 in the delimited text file that is imported into FDA.

The following sections describe the required header record format for each type of data. One way to easily get a "template" of the required format for each data type is to enter one set of data (such as one damage category,

one stream, one damage reach, one structure, etc.) and then export the data to a tab-delimited text file (see Chapter 8, Section 8.3.3, page 8-9). The figures below illustrate data in a spreadsheet from which a tab-delimited text file is easily created.

D.2.3 Header Record and Fieldnames for Plans

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import plans:

Field Name	Description
Plan_Name	Plan name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Plan_Desc	Plan description (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Figure D.2 provides an example of the entry of plans in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

	A	B	C
1	Plan_Name	Plan_Desc	
2	Without	Without project condition	
3	Plan 1	Detention + Channel Imp.	
4	Plan 2	Floodwall Only	
5	Plan 3	Detention, Channel Imp., and Floodwall	
6			

Figure D.2 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Plans

D.2.4 Header Record and Fieldnames for Analysis Years

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import analysis years:

Field Name	Description
Year_Name	Analysis year, (four characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.

Figure D.3 (see page D-6) provides an example of the entry of analysis years in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

Figure D.3 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Analysis Years

D.2.5 Header Record and Fieldnames for Streams

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import streams:

Field Name	Description
Strm_Nme	Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Strm_Desc	Stream description (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Figure D.4 provides an example of the entry of streams in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

Figure D.4 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Streams

D.2.6 Header Record and Fieldnames for Damage Reaches

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import damage reach data:

Field Name	Description
Rch_Name	Reach name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Rch_Desc	Reach description (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Stream_Nme   Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Should match a previously entered stream.

Beg_Sta   Beginning stream station for this damage reach. It must be less than or equal to the ending stream station.

End_Sta   Ending stream station for this damage reach. Must be greater than or equal to the beginning stream station.

Bank   Stream bank associated with this damage reach. It may be L, Left, R, Right, B, or Both.

Index_Sta   Index location stream station for this damage reach. It must be between the beginning and ending stream stations inclusively.

SID_Reffld   SID reference flood elevation (optional). This is needed only if you are using the SID reference flood for aggregating damage to the index location.

Figure D.5 provides an example of the entry of damage reaches in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1	Rch_Name	Rch_Desc	Stream_Nme	Beg_Sta	End_Sta	Bank	Index_Sta	SID_Reffld
2	SF-8	BASHFORD MANOR LN TO BARDSTOWN RD SM. 9.0-9.96	S Fork Bear	9.02	9.96	Both	9.253	475.09
3	SF-9	BARDSTOWN RD TO DOWNING WY SM. 9.96-10.363	S Fork Bear	9.96	10.363	Both	10.124	482.13
4								
5								

Figure D.5 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Damage Reaches

D.2.7 Header Record and Fieldnames for Damage Categories

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import damage category data:

Field Name	Description
Cat_Name	Damage category name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Cat_Description	Description of damage category (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Cost_Factor   Price index for damage category. Overrides the global factor entered for the study. If left blank, the price index for the damage category is set to undefined and the damage category will use the global price index.

Figure D.6 provides an example of the entry of damage categories in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

Figure D.6 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Damage Categories

D.2.8 Header Record and Fieldnames for Structure Occupancy Types

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import structure occupancy type data:

Field Name	Description
Occ_Name	Structure occupancy type name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword: must be entered in the first field of the header record and must be entered for each data record that has valid data for the structure occupancy type.
Cat_Name	Damage category name (thirty-two characters maximum).
Occ_Description	Description of structure occupancy type (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.
Parameter	See Parameter Code section.
Start_Data	Code name indicating the first column of data in depth-damage functions and structure uncertainty parameters.

Figure D.7 provides an example of the entry of structure occupancy types in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N
1	Occ_Name	Occ_Description	Cat_Name	Parameter	Start_Data									
2	A-TSNB	ImportSID A2S	A2C	APT	Stage	-2	0	1	2	3	4	5	7	10
3	A-TSNB				S	0	7	9	13	18	20	22	26	38
4	A-TSNB				SN	0	1.4	1.8	2.6	3.6	4	4.4	5.2	7.6
5	A-TSNB				Stage	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
6	A-TSNB				C	0	8	11	18	23	28	33	39	44
7	A-TSNB				CN	0	1.6	2.2	3.6	4.6	5.6	6.6	7.8	8.8
8	A-TSNB				Struct	N		0.2		N			10		N
9	13S_13C_	ImportSID 13S	13C	COMM	Stage	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
10	13S_13C_				S	0	10	14	17	23	28	34	38	43
11	13S_13C_				SN	0	2	2.8	3.4	4.6	5.6	6.8	7.6	8.6

Figure D.7 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Structure Occupancy Types

Structure Occupancy Type Parameter Codes

Parameter codes identify the type of data entered in the current data record. The data record may contain depth, damage, standard deviation in damage, or structure uncertainties (such as for first floor stage, structure value, content value, or other value). All data pertinent to this parameter code are entered in field to the right of the parameter code. Damage data for depth-damage functions may be entered in percent (use the parameter code) or in thousands of dollars (append the parameter code with a "$"). For example, damage for the depth-percent damage function for structure damage uses the code *S* whereas if the damage is in thousands of dollars it uses the code *S$*.

For a given structure occupancy type, all functions must be of the same type (either percent damage or dollar damage) and not a combination of the two. The parameter code for damage includes a letter indicating which component of damage is entered (*S* for structure, *C* for content, *O* for other). The parameter code for standard deviation of error (or maximum/minimum for triangular distributions) includes the component (*S* for structure, etc.) and the distribution (blank is none, *N* is normal, *L* is log-normal, and *T* is triangular). The following lists the valid parameter codes and associated descriptions:

Parameter Code	Description
STAGE	Depth for depth damage function. May be entered only once and then the same depths are used for all trailing functions if all functions have the same number of values. For direct dollar depth-damage functions, this may be entered as elevation and the structure first floor stage set to zero.

S	Structure damage in percent for the structure depth-damage function. Use **S$** for dollar damage.
C	Content damage in percent for the content depth-damage function (e.g., inventory). Use **C$** for dollar damage.
O	Other damage in percent for "other" depth-damage function (e.g., equipment, outbuildings). Use **O$** for dollar damage.
SN	Standard error in structure damage, normal distribution.
CN	Standard error in content damage, normal distribution.
ON	Standard error in other damage, normal distribution.
STU	Standard error in structure damage above the curve, triangular distribution.
STL	Standard error in structure damage below the curve, triangular distribution.
CTU	Standard error in content damage above the curve, triangular distribution.
CTL	Standard error in content damage below the curve, triangular distribution.
OTU	Standard error in other damage above the curve, triangular distribution.
OTL	Standard error in other damage below the curve, triangular distribution.
SL	Standard error in structure damage, log-normal distribution.
CL	Standard error in content damage, log-normal distribution.
OL	Standard error in other damage, log-normal distribution.

STRUCT   Distributions and errors for the parameters associated with structures (first floor, structure value, content value, and other value). There are four columns for each uncertainty parameter in the preceding order. The columns contain the following data:

(1) Distribution type (N is normal, LN is log-normal, and T is triangular).

(2) Median value (left blank for first floor and structure value). For contents and other, this is the ratio of contents (or other) to structure value in percent. For example, if the contents value is 35% of the structure value, enter 35.

(3) Standard deviation of error for normal or log-normal or the minimum value in the triangular distribution.

(4) Maximum value in the triangular distribution.

The four columns of uncertainty information for the first floor stage are entered first followed by the structure value, the contents value, and the other value.

D.2.9 Header Record and Fieldnames for Structure Modules

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import structure modules:

Field Name	Description
Mod_Name	Structure module name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.
Mod_Desc	Structure module description (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Figure D.8 (see page D-12) provides an example of the entry of structure modules in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

	A	B	C
1	Mod_Name	Mod_Desc	
2	Base	Default module, normally for existing structures	
3	Future A	Adjusted for Regulation program w/o project	
4	Future B	Adjusted for regulatory program development w/Levee	
5	Future C	Adjusted for Regulatory program development w/channel	
6	Future D	Adjusted for Regulatory program development w/channel & levee	
7			
8			

Figure D.8 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Structure Modules

D.3 Header Record for Structure Module Assignments

The following fieldnames (identifiers) are used to import structure module assignments. A plan/year combination can have multiple modules assigned to it.

Field Name	Description
SM_PLAN	The plan name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field (column).
SM_YEAR	The year (4 characters); required.
SM_MODULE	The structure module name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.

Figure D.9 provides an example of the entry of structure module assignments in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

	A	B	C	D
1	SM_PLAN	SM_YEAR	SM_MODULE	
2	Without	2015	Base	
3	Buyout	2015	Base	
4	Raise 100yr	2015	Base	
5	Raise 200yr	2015	Base	
6	Without	2015	Buy	
7	Raise 100yr	2015	R100yr	
8	Raise 200yr	2015	R200yr	
9				
10				

Figure D.9 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Structure Module Assignments

D.3.1 Header Record and Fieldnames for Structures

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import structure data:

Field Name	Description
Struc_Name	Structure name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field. If there are duplicate

structure names in the file, the study will contain only the last structure with a duplicated name that was imported. Similarly, if the structure name matches that of a structure in the study already, the structure data in the study will be replaced by the imported structure.

Cat_Name   Damage category name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.

Stream_Name   Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.

Occ_Name   Structure occupancy type name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.

Station   Stream station (or river mile). It is required for aggregating stage-damage functions using the water surface profiles.

Bank   Bank location (left or right). If cell is left blank, HEC-FDA assumes the left bank. Valid entries are: "L", "Left", "R", or "Right".

Year   Year in service (assumed 1900). It is used to determine if the structure should be included in the base year and/or most likely future year structure inventory.

Struc_Val   Structure value ($1,000).

Cont_Val   Content value ($1,000). If left blank, the content value is computed from the structure value and the content-to-structure value ratio contained in the occupancy type.

Other_Val   Other value ($1,000). If left blank, the other value is computed from the structure value and the other-to-structure value ratio contained in the occupancy type.

1F_Stage   First floor stage (elevation). You must use either (1) the first floor stage, or (2) the ground stage and the foundation height.

Grnd_Stage	Stage (elevation) of the ground at the structure. You must use either (1) the first floor stage, or (2) the ground stage and the foundation height.
Found_Ht	Foundation height (distance from ground to first floor). You must use either (1) the first floor stage, or (2) the ground stage and the foundation height.
Begin_Damg	Beginning damage depth. If left blank, it is assumed to be undefined and it is not used, and the beginning damage depth is determined from the depth-damage functions. If entered, it is relative to the first floor stage. For example, if damage starts one foot below the first floor stage, you would enter -1.
Street	Street address of structure.
City	City.
State	State.
Zip	Zip code.
North	Northing coordinate at structure.
East	Easting coordinate at structure.
Zone	Zone for the above coordinates.
Num_Struct	Number of identical structures this one entry represents.
Notes	Miscellaneous notes.
Mod_Name	Module name (assumed base).
SID_Rch	The SID reach name (optional).
SID_Reffld	The SID reference flood elevation (optional).

Figure D.10 (see page D-15) provides an example of the entry of structures in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into FDA.

Figure D.10 Partial Header Record and Data Records for Importing Structures

D.3.2 Header Record for Water Surface Profiles

The format for importing water surface profiles is somewhat different than the other types of data that can be imported using delimited text files.

Water surface profiles are assigned to a plan, analysis year, and stream combination. . One set of water surface profiles may be used for more than one plan and/or analysis year. The water surface profile data is entered only once for a given plan, analysis year, and stream combination. Then, the set of water surface profiles is assigned to other plan and analysis year combinations that use the same set of water surface profiles on that stream. To accommodate importing data that is assigned, there is more than header records that contains fieldnames and each header record is followed by data. For water surface profiles, there are three header records:

1. The first header record contains the keyword and fieldnames for the water surface profile name, the plan, the year, the stream, the type of profile (flow, stage, or assigned), and the notes. After this header record the data records for this particular data will follow.
2. The second header record contains the keyword and fieldnames for the probabilities associated with each profile. After this header record the data records for this particular data will follow.
3. The third header record contains the keyword and fieldnames for the stream station, invert stage, and the profile data (flow and/or stage). After this header record the data records for this particular data will follow.

First Header Record and Fieldnames for Water Surface Profiles

The following fieldnames are entered in the first header record for a set of water surface profiles. This header record is followed by the data record that corresponds to these fieldnames.

Field Name	Description
WSP_Name	Water surface profile name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Description	Description of this set of water surface profiles (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.
Plan	Plan name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The plan name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Year	The year, either the base year or the most likely future year (four characters); required. The year should match one that is already stored in the database.
Stream	Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The stream name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Type	The type of water surface profile (required). The type of profile is one of three types: (1) DISCHARGE_FREQ for a set of discharge profiles that contain both flow and stage profiles, (2) STAGE_FREQUENCY for a set of stage profiles, and (3) ASSIGN to indicate the set of profiles with the specified name (WSP_Name) are assigned to this plan/year/ stream.
Notes	Notes about this set of profiles (optional).

Figure D.11 provides an example of the entry of a water surface profile set in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into HEC-FDA.

Second Header Record and Fieldnames for Water Surface Profiles

The following fieldname is entered in the second header record for a set of water surface profiles. This header record is followed by the data record that corresponds to this fieldname.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1	WSP_Name	Description		Plan		Year		Stream	
2	SF Bear WO Base	SF Bear Creek	W/O Projec	Without		2016		S Fork Bear	
3	WSP_Probability								
4				0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.
5	WSP_Station	Invert	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage	Stage
6	0.8	416.5	424.68	426.58	428.56	430.39	431.39	432.9	433
7	0.82	416.1	424.81	426.7	428.67	430.48	431.47	432.95	433
8	0.82	416.1	424.87	426.78	428.75	430.58	431.57	433.06	434
9	0.86	416	424.93	426.86	428.92	430.82	431.87	433.42	434
10	0.92	415.7	425.35	427.36	429.31	431.05	432.04	433.51	434
11	0.98	415.5	425.86	427.89	429.88	431.64	432.64	434.1	43
12	1	415.4	425.59	427.44	429.17	430.65	431.44	432.61	433
13	1.01	415.4	425.69	427.51	429.19	430.57	431.27	432.24	436

Figure D.11   All Three Header Records and Data Records for Importing Water Surface Profile Sets

Field Name	Description
WSP_Probability	Keyword; must be in field one of the header record. It indicates that the next record will contain probabilities that are associated with each profile (both stage and flow) as appropriate. The probabilities must be above the corresponding profile as defined in the third header record.

Figure D.11 provides an example of the entry of a water surface profile set in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into HEC-FDA.

Third Header Record and Fieldnames for Water Surface Profiles

The following fieldnames are entered in the third header record for a set of water surface profiles. This header record is followed by the data record that corresponds to this fieldnames.

Field Name	Description
WSP_Station	Keyword; must be in field one of the header record. Stream station at each cross-section in the water surface profile model.
Invert	Invert stage at each cross-section in the water surface profile model.
Stage	Computed water surface stage at each cross-section for a specified exceedance probability. There are 8 columns, one for each profile.
Q	Computed flow at each cross-section for a specified exceedance probability. If you have

only stage profiles, you would not enter the fields "Q". If entered, there are 8 columns, one for each profile.

Figure D.11 (see page D-17) provides an example of the entry of a water surface profile set in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into HEC-FDA.

D.3.3   Header Record and Fieldnames for Exceedance Probability Functions

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import exceedance probability (frequency functions):

Field Name	Description
Freq_Name	Exceedance probability (frequency) function name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Plan	Plan name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The plan name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Year	The year, either the base year or the most likely future year (four characters); required. The year should match one that is already stored in the database.
Stream	Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The stream name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Reach	Damage reach name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The damage reach name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Yrs	Equivalent length of record (years).
FFtype	The type of exceedance probability (frequency) function (required). The type of function is one of two types: (1) ANALYTICAL (2) GRAPHICAL

DataType   Type of data, either Q (flow) or S (Stage)

UncertType   Type of uncertainty calculation about
                        graphical probability function.
                        -1   Use equivalent length of record to
                                define uncertainty.
                         0   There is no uncertainty about the
                                function.
                         1   The uncertainty is distributed using a
                                normal distribution. Typically used for
                                stage-probability functions. The
                                UDFN record must be included.
                         2   The uncertainty is distributed using a
                                $\log_{10}$ normal distribution. Typically
                                used for discharge-probability
                                functions. The UDFL record must be
                                included.
                         3   The uncertainty is distributed using a
                                triangular distribution. The UDFTL
                                and UDFTU records must be included.

Desc   Exceedance probability (frequency) function
                        description (sixty-four characters maximum);
                        optional.

Figure D.12 (see page D-20) provides an example of the entry of a
exceedance probability (frequency) functions in an ASCII tab delimited
file that can be imported into HEC-FDA.

Probability Function Parameter Codes

Parameter codes identify the type of data entered in the current data
record. These records follow the header record data. The data record may
contain Log Pearson III moments, synthetic analytical parameters, flow,
stage, exceedance probability, and transform flow. The probability
function may be either probability-flow or probability-stage. For
probability-flow curves, there may be a transform flow function. The
following lists the parameter codes and their associated description.

Parameter Code	Description
LP3	Log Pearson III moments. In the fields immediately after the LP3 code, the mean, standard deviation, and skew are entered in consecutive fields in that order.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
7	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
8	SF-9 WO Base TfA		06TransQ_A		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		L		Q		-1
9			LP3	2.9448	0.2561	0.2409											
10			Qin	100	860	1900	3850	4854	5715	20000							
11			Qout	100	860	1800	3200	4700	5715	20000							
12			QTU	100	860	1900	3600	4800	5715	20000							
13			QTL	100	860	1700	2950	4600	5715	20000							
14																	
15	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
16	SF-9 WO B Tf1G		05TransQ_G		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		Q		-1
17			PROB	0.99	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
18			FLOW	500	860	1220	1910	2620	3110	3850	4310	5830					
19			Qin	400	500	860	1910	3110	3850	4310	5830	20000					
20			Qout	400	500	860	1800	2700	3200	4100	5830	20000					
21			QN	0	0	0	25	100	150	50	0	0					
22																	
23	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
24	SF-9 WO Base A		09FW+GEOA+IE_A		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		L		Q		-1
25			LP3	2.9448	0.2561	0.2409											
26																	
27	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
28	SF-9 WO Stage		10WspStage		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		S		-1
29			PROB	0.999	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
30			STAGE	475	476.9	477.81	479.22	480.27	480.84	481.59	482.16	484.19					
31																	
32	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
33	12As 1999SF09		12As		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		50		S		Q		-1
34			SYN	800	1900	3900											
35																	
36	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
37	13Am 1999SF09		13Am		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		55		L		Q		-1
38			LP3	2.9	0.29	0.09											
39																	
40	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
41	SF-9 14 QF UduLo		14GQ_UduLog		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		Q		2
42			PROB	0.99	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
43			FLOW	500	860	1220	1910	2620	3110	3850	4310	5830					
44			UDFL	0.029461	0.025323	0.066109	0.087675	0.108831	0.12136	0.137614	0.146426	0.170539					
45																	
46	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
47	SF-9 15SF UduNor		15GS_UduNorm		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		S		1
48			PROB	0.999	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
49			STAGE	475	476.9	477.81	479.22	480.27	480.84	481.59	482.16	484.19					
50			UDFN	0.107556	0.152446	0.460716	0.650023	0.790994	0.867523	0.968218	1.044747	1.317294					
51																	
52	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
53	SF-9 16 QF UduTr		16GQ_UduTri		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		Q		3
54			PROB	0.99	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
55			FLOW	500	860	1220	1910	2620	3110	3850	4310	5830					
56			UDFL	2.640054	2.883854	2.954141	3.105683	3.20064	3.25004	3.310232	3.341625	3.424591					
57			UDFH	2.757889	2.985143	3.218579	3.456383	3.635962	3.735481	3.860689	3.92733	4.106747					
58																	
59	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
60	SF-9 17 SF UduTr		17GS_UduTri		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		S		3
61			PROB	0.999	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
62			STAGE	475	476.9	477.81	479.22	480.27	480.84	481.59	482.16	484.19					
63			UDFL	474.5963	476.0524	476.8886	477.92	478.688	479.105	479.6536	480.0705	481.5554					
64			UDFH	475.7228	477.2049	478.7314	480.5201	481.852	482.575	483.5264	484.2495	486.8246					
65																	

Figure D.12　Header Record and Data Records for Importing Exceedance Probability Functions

SYN	Synthetic Log Pearson III discharge values. After the SYN code, the flow for the 0.50, 0.10, and 0.01 exceedance probabilities are entered in consecutive fields in that order.
PROB	Contains graphical probability function ordinates, exceedance probability, corresponding to flow (FLOW keyword) or stage (STAGE keyword). For a graphical probability function, there are either a PROB and FLOW records or a PROB and STAGE records as shown in Figure D.12.
FLOW	Contains discharge graphical probability function ordinates corresponding to exceedance probability (PROB).
STAGE	Contains stage graphical probability function ordinates corresponding to exceedance probability (PROB).

UDFN	Contains the standard deviation of error for a normal distribution of errors about the graphical probability function. "UncertType" must be set to 1. Typically used for stage-probability curves. The equivalent length of record will be ignored.
UDFL	Contains the $\log_{10}$ standard deviation of error for a normal distribution of errors about the graphical probability function. "UncertType" must be set to 2. Typically used for stage-probability curves. The equivalent length of record will be ignored. The flow values are entered as flow in cfs. The standard deviation of error is entered in $\log_{10}$ units.
UDTL	Contains the lower bound of error for a triangular distribution of errors about the graphical probability function. "UncertType" must be set to 3. The UDTU must also be included. The equivalent length of record will be ignored. Values are global, not relative. If the best estimate is 500, then the lower bound might be 490, not -10.
UDTU	Contains the upper bound of error for a triangular distribution of errors about the graphical probability function. "UncertType" must be set to 3. The UDTL must also be included. The equivalent length of record will be ignored. Values are global, not relative. If the best estimate is 500, then the upper bound might be 520, not +20.
QIN	Contains transform flow ordinates of inflow corresponding to outflow (QOUT). It can also be related to uncertainties about the outflow which are contained on the parameter code records QN (normal distribution), or QTU and QTL (triangular distribution, upper flow and lower flow respectively.
QOUT	Contains transform flow ordinates of outflow corresponding to inflow (QIN).
QN	Contains transform flow uncertainty ordinates of standard deviation of error for a normal

distribution. It corresponds to the parameter codes QIN and QOUT.

| QTL, QTU | Contains transform flow uncertainty ordinates for a triangular distribution (QTL is lower bound, QTU is upper bound). |

Figure D.13 demonstrates some of the different variations of data related to probability functions that can be imported into HEC-FDA. For example, a stage-probability function is entered with the keywords "PROB" and "STAGE". The transform flow function is entered with the keywords "Qin" (inflow), "Qout" (outflow), "QN" (normal distribution of error), and "QTU" and "QTL" (triangular distribution, upper and lower bounds respectively. A Log Pearson III curve is entered using the LP3 code.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	N	O	P	Q
7	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
8	SF-9 WO Base TfA		06TransQ_A		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		L		Q		-1
9			LP3	2.9448	0.2561	0.2409											
10			Qin	100	860	1900	3850	4854	5715	20000							
11			Qout	100	860	1800	3200	4700	5715	20000							
12			QTU	100	860	1900	3600	4800	5715	20000							
13			QTL	100	860	1700	2950	4600	5715	20000							
14																	
15	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
16	SF-9 WO B Tf1G		05TransQ_G		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		Q		-1
17			PROB	0.99	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
18			FLOW	500	860	1220	1910	2620	3110	3850	4310	5830					
19			Qin	400	500	860	1910	3110	3850	4310	5830	20000					
20			Qout	400	500	860	1800	2700	3200	4100	5830	20000					
21			QN	0	0	0	25	100	150	50	0	0					
22																	
23	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
24	SF-9 WO Base A		09FW+GEOA+IE_A		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		L		Q		-1
25			LP3	2.9448	0.2561	0.2409											
26																	
27	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
28	SF-9 WO Stage		10WspStage		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		S		-1
29			PROB	0.999	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
30			STAGE	475	476.9	477.81	479.22	480.27	480.84	481.59	482.16	484.19					
31																	
32	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
33	12As 1999SF09		12As		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		50		S		Q		-1
34			SYN	800	1900	3900											
35																	
36	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
37	13Am 1999SF09		13Am		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		55		L		Q		-1
38			LP3	2.9	0.29	0.09											
39																	
40	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
41	SF-9 14 QF UduLo		14GQ_UduLog		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		Q		2
42			PROB	0.99	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
43			FLOW	500	860	1220	1910	2620	3110	3850	4310	5830					
44			UDFL	0.029461	0.025323	0.066109	0.087675	0.108831	0.12136	0.137614	0.146426	0.170539					
45																	
46	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
47	SF-9 15SF UduNor		15GS_UduNorm		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		S		1
48			PROB	0.999	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
49			STAGE	475	476.9	477.81	479.22	480.27	480.84	481.59	482.16	484.19					
50			UDFN	0.107556	0.152446	0.460716	0.650023	0.790994	0.867523	0.968218	1.044747	1.317294					
51																	
52	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
53	SF-9 16 QF UduTr		16GQ_UduTri		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		Q		3
54			PROB	0.99	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
55			FLOW	500	860	1220	1910	2620	3110	3850	4310	5830					
56			UDFL	2.640054	2.883854	2.954141	3.105683	3.20064	3.25004	3.310232	3.341625	3.424591					
57			UDFH	2.757889	2.985143	3.218579	3.456383	3.635962	3.735481	3.860689	3.92733	4.106747					
58																	
59	Freq_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Yrs		FFtype		DataType		UncertType
60	SF-9 17 SF UduTr		17GS_UduTri		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9		48		G		S		3
61			PROB	0.999	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002					
62			STAGE	475	476.9	477.81	479.22	480.27	480.84	481.59	482.16	484.19					
63			UDFL	474.5963	476.0524	476.8886	477.92	478.688	479.105	479.6536	480.0705	481.5554					
64			UDFH	475.7228	477.2049	478.7314	480.5201	481.852	482.575	483.5264	484.2495	486.8246					
65																	

Figure D.13   Data records for Importing Various Exceedance Probability Functions Including Transform Flow

D.3.4 Header Record and Fieldnames for Stage-Discharge Functions

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import stage-discharge (rating) functions:

Field Name	Description
Rate_Name	Stage-discharge function name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Plan	Plan name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The plan name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Year	The year, either the base year or the most likely future year (four characters); required. The year should match one that is already stored in the database.
Stream	Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The stream name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Reach	Damage reach name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The damage reach name should match one that is already stored in the database.
ErrType	Type of error distribution:

Type of error distribution:

Blank	No distribution – no error in the function.
N	Normal distribution
L	Log-normal distribution
T	Triangular distribution

Field Name	Description
stageBase	Stage at which standard error becomes constant. The following fields are entered only if FDA will calculate the error for each ordinate based on the error at one ordinate: stageBase, baseSd, baseSdl, baseLo, and baseHi. The errors are exclusive, only one type of error may be entered (e.g. baseSD for a normal distribution, other error fields are left blank).
baseSd	Standard deviation of error at "stageBase", normal distribution.
baseSdl	Standard deviation of error at "stageBase" in log 10 units, log-normal distribution.

baseLo   Error low at "stageBase", triangular
                          distribution.

baseHi   Error high at "stageBase", triangular
                          distribution.

Desc   Stage-discharge (rating) function description
                          (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Stage-Discharge Parameter Codes

Parameter codes identify the type of data entered in the current data
record. These records follow the header record data. The data record may
contain stage, discharge, or uncertainties. The following lists the
parameter codes and their associated description.

Parameter Code	Description
Q	Contains flow ordinates for the stage-discharge rating curve corresponding to stage ordinates (S). A pair of Q and S records is required to define the rating curve.
S	Contains stage ordinates for the stage-discharge rating curve corresponding to flow ordinates (Q).
SN	Contains standard deviation of error ordinates for a normal distribution corresponding to Q and S records. This is entered only if uncertainties are entered by ordinate (not computed).
SL	Contains log standard deviation of error ordinates for a log-normal distribution corresponding to Q and S records. This is entered only if uncertainties are entered by ordinate (not computed).
STL, STU	Contains lower (QTL) and upper (QTU) limits ordinates for a triangular distribution corresponding to Q and S records. This is entered only if uncertainties are entered by ordinate (not computed).

Figure D.14 provides an example of the entry of stage-discharge functions in an ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into HEC-FDA.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K
2	Rate_Name	Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ErrType
3	SF-8 WO Base Yr	Plan 2		2035		S Fork Bear		SF-8		N
4		Q	0	1489	2106	3119	4183	5036	6198	
5		S	458.019989	468.320007	470.02	471.9599915	473.1099854	473.7099915	474.5299988	475.08
6										
7	Rate_Name	Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ErrType
8	SF-8 WO Base Yr	Plan 2		2016		S Fork Bear		SF-8		ASSIGN
9										
10	Rate_Name	Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ErrType
11	SF-8 WO Base Yr	Without		2035		S Fork Bear		SF-8		ASSIGN
12										
13	Rate_Name	Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ErrType
14	SF-8 WO Base Yr	Without		2016		S Fork Bear		SF-8		ASSIGN
15										
16	Rate_Name	Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ErrType

Figure D.14   Header Record and Data Records for Importing Stage-Discharge Functions

D.3.5 Header Record and Fieldnames for Levee Data

The following fieldnames (identifiers) used to import levee data:

Field Name	Description
Levee_Name	Structure name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. Keyword; must be entered in the first field.
Plan	Plan name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The plan name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Year	The year, either the base year or the most likely future year (four characters); required. The year should match one that is already stored in the database.
Stream	Stream name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The stream name should match one that is already stored in the database.
Reach	Damage reach name (thirty-two characters maximum); required. The damage reach name should match one that is already stored in the database.
ElTop	Top of levee elevation.

Desc   Levee description (sixty-four characters
                        maximum); optional.

Figure D.15 provides an example of the entry of levee data sets in an
ASCII tab delimited file that can be imported into HEC-FDA.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M
2	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ElTop		Desc
3	New Floodwall		Plan 2		2016		S Fork Bear		SF-9		480		
4													
5	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ElTop		Desc
6	New Floodwall		Plan 2		2035		S Fork Bear		SF-9		ASSIGN		
7													
8	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ElTop		Desc
9	New Floodwall		Plan 3		2016		S Fork Bear		SF-9		ASSIGN		
10													
11	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		ElTop		Desc
12	New Floodwall		Plan 3		2035		S Fork Bear		SF-9		ASSIGN		
13													

Figure D.15 Header Record and Data Records for Importing Levee Data

Levee Parameter Codes

Parameter codes identify the type of data entered in the current data
record. These records follow the header record data. The data record may
contain geotechnical failure function data or interior/exterior function
data. The following lists the parameter codes and their associated
description.

Parameter Code	Description
GSE	Contains exterior stage ordinates for a geotechnical failure function. It corresponds to the probability of failure ordinates (GPF). A pair of GSE and GPF records defines a geotechnical failure function.
GPF	Contains the probability of failure ordinates for a geotechnical failure function. It corresponds to the exterior stage ordinates (GSE).
SE	Contains exterior stage ordinates for an interior/exterior function. It corresponds to the interior stage ordinates (SI). A pair of SE and SI records defines an interior/exterior function.

SI   Contains interior stage ordinates for an
                            interior/exterior function. It corresponds to the
                            exterior stage ordinates (SE).

Figure D.16 provides an example of the entry of levee data sets that
include geotechnical failure functions and interior/exterior functions. The
geotechnical functions use the codes GSE (exterior stage) and GPF
(probability of failure). The interior/exterior functions use the codes SE
(exterior stage) and SI (interior stage).

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
5	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach
6	Levee Geo		02FW+GEO		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9
7			GSE	479	480.26				
8			GPF	0.15	0.85				
9									
10	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach
11	Levee Int/Ext		03FW+IE		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9
12			SE	470.54	479	480.27	481.59	485	
13			SI	470.54	479	480.27	480.5	481	
14									
15	Levee_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach
16	Levee GeoIntExt		04FW+GEO+IE		1999		S Fork Bear		SF-9
17			SE	470.54	479	480.27	481.59	485	
18			SI	470.54	479	480.27	480.5	481	
19			GSE	479	480.26				

Figure D.16   Example Import File Containing Geotechnical and
                  Interior/Exterior Functions

D.3.6 Header Record for Stage-Aggregated Damage Functions

The following fieldnames (identifiers) are used to import stage-aggregated
damage functions:

Field Name   **Description**

SD_Name   Stage-aggregated damage function name
                            (thirty-two characters maximum); required.
                            Keyword: must be entered in the first field of
                            the header record and must be entered for each
                            data record that has valid data.

Plan   The plan name (thirty-two characters
                            maximum); required.

Year   The year (four characters); required.

Stream   The stream name (thirty-two characters
                            maximum); required.

Reach	The damage reach name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.
Category	The damage category name (thirty-two characters maximum); required.
Desc	The description for this function (sixty-four characters maximum); optional.

Stage-Aggregated Damage Parameter Codes

Parameter codes identify the type of data entered in the current data record. The data record may contain stage, damage, and standard deviation of error. All data pertinent to this parameter code are entered in the fields to the right of the parameter code. All damage functions must be of a normal distribution. The following lists the valid parameter codes and associated descriptions:

Parameter Code	Description
SStage	Stage for the structure damage function.
S	Damage in dollars for the structure damage function.
SN	Standard deviation of error in the structure damage function. Used with a normal distribution.
CStage	Stage for the content damage function.
C	Damage in dollars for the content damage function.
CN	Standard deviation of error in the content damage function. Used with a normal distribution.
OStage	Stage for the "other" damage function.
O	Damage in dollars for the "other" damage function.
ON	Standard deviation of error in the "other" damage function. Used with a normal distribution.
TStage	Stage for the total damage function.
T	Damage in dollars for the total damage function.

TN   Standard deviation of error in the total damage function. Used with a normal distribution.

Figure D.17 provides an example an import file that contains a stage-aggregated damage function.

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	K	L	M	
1														
2	SD_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Category		Desc	
3	AggDamg001261		Plan 2		2020		S Fork Bear		SF-8		APT			
4			SStage	463	464	465	466	467	468	469	470	471	472	
5			S	0	0	0	0.971181	4.818831	10.21701	18.84277	45.81791	154.0585	364.235	627
6			SN	0	0	0	0.445905	0.903849	1.547724	2.327312	4.835655	10.94477	18.30097	28.
7			CStage	463	464	465	466	467	468	469	470	471	472	
8			C	0	0	0	0.52923	2.559009	5.416772	9.859992	15.64788	43.66251	158.2344	349
9			CN	0	0	0	0.334096	0.900426	1.598678	2.447847	3.466739	8.082027	19.36629	3.
10			OStage	463	464	465	466	467	468	469	470	471	472	
11			O	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
12			ON	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
13			TStage	463	464	465	466	467	468	469	470	471	472	
14			T	0	0	0	1.500411	7.377839	15.63378	28.70277	61.46579	197.721	522.4694	977
15			TN	0	0	0	0.708331	1.425863	2.406433	3.558578	6.151946	14.60472	29.26136	45.
16														
17	SD_Name		Plan		Year		Stream		Reach		Category		Desc	
18	AggDamg001262		Plan 2		2020		S Fork Bear		SF-8		AUTO			

D.17 Example Import File Containing a Stage-Aggregated Damage Function

D.4   Procedure for Updating the Study Data

If your study already includes data, FDA provides an option for updating structure inventory data only when importing data. When the update data option (see Chapter 8, Section 8.3.2, page 8-8) has been selected FDA will update structure data that is already stored in the study. For example, if you wanted to update only the first floor stage for selected structures, you could create an ASCII tab delimited file where the first field of the header record would be *Struc_Name* and the second field would be the fieldname *1F_Stage*. Those would be the only two fields. The following data records would contain the structure name and the updated first floor stage values in fields 1 and 2 respectively.

If the update data option has not been selected, and data exists in the study, data could be replaced by the import.

Appendix E

Procedures for Computing Stage-Damage Functions

E.1   General

Stage-aggregated damage functions are one of the three primary functions used in HEC-FDA to construct a damage-probability function. The other two functions are discharge-exceedance probability and stage-discharge. Integration of the damage-probability function produces expected annual damage. The computation of expected annual damage utilizes only the stage-total aggregated damage function and not the individual components such as structure damage.

The aggregated stage-damage functions must be derived at the **index location** and must be computed (or directly entered) for each plan, analysis year, stream, damage reach, and damage category. In other words, for a given plan, analysis year, stream, damage reach, and damage category, there is one stage-aggregated total damage function. Usually, this function is computed but it may be entered directly if it has been computed using other tools. The function represents total damage and is the sum of the damage inflicted to three components:

- Structure
- Contents
- Other (such as outbuildings, landscaping, etc.)

Before computing stage-aggregated damage, you must define several items including configuration items (plans, stream, damage reaches, analysis years), water surface profiles, damage categories, structure occupancy types, and structure attributes. It is also helpful to define the discharge-exceedance probability and stage-discharge functions. The water surface profiles facilitate aggregation of damage from a single structure to the index location. The structure occupancy types describe depth-damage functions and some global structure parameters. The structure attributes define the parameters necessary for computing stage-damage for each structure. The discharge-exceedance probability and stage-discharge functions are used to determine the span of stages at the index location for which aggregated damage is computed.

Once all of the above parameters are defined, you may compute stage-aggregated damage for one or more combinations of plan and analysis year. The computed functions are then used in the computation of expected annual damage. If you change any of the parameters such as a structure's first floor elevation, you must re-compute stage-aggregated damage and then expected annual damage for all plan/analysis year combinations that are dependent upon that structure.

A general overview of what happens when you select a plan/analysis year combination and then calculate stage-damage functions in FDA follows:

(1) For each damage reach, FDA calculates the range of stages at the index location. The stages represent the range from very frequent to very infrequent events based on the input functions and the uncertainty about those functions. FDA then calculates the interval between stage ordinates in "nice" units (1, 2, or 5 multiplied by 10 raised to some power). A maximum of sixty ordinates can be selected.

(2) For the selected plan/analysis year, FDA filters the structures using the structure module assignments so that it will process only those structures which are assigned to the selected module(s). It also filters the structures based on the "Year in Service".

(3) FDA processes each of the filtered structures. It transforms the tabulation stages that were determined in Step 1 from the index location to the structure. The transformation uses either the water surface profiles or the SID reference flood.

(4) FDA checks each structure to see if it has invalid data and to see if the structure is "out of the floodplain". FDA will immediately proceed to the next structure if either case exists.

(5) FDA determines the damage category, structure occupancy type, and damage reach, and then computes stage-damage at each of the tabulation stages for a structure. Damage is computed for the structure, contents, other, and total. The damage for each tabulation stage is then aggregated to the index location. During calculations, the stage-aggregated damage functions are stored in memory. After all of the filtered structures are processed, the stage-aggregated damage functions are stored in the FDA study files.

E.2   Introduction

This Appendix describes and illustrates the calculation procedures used by FDA to compute stage-aggregated damage at the index location. The

calculations require you to already have entered supporting data. FDA follows the general procedures described previously in the User's Manual and illustrated in this Appendix. Calculations are performed by a plan/analysis year combination, if you select more than one plan/analysis year combination; FDA processes each one independently and loops through all selected combinations.

For discussion purposes in this Appendix, an imaginary study is created on Silver Creek. The study area is divided into five reaches as shown in Table E.1. There is an overlap of reaches SC 2L and SC 2La. That is, they represent the same stream (Silver Creek), station range (20.002

Table E.1
List of Damage Reaches for Silver Creek

Reach Name	Beginning Station	Ending Station	Bank	Index Location Station	Description
SC1	20.000	20.001	Left	20.000	Bottom of study area. RM 20.000
SC 2L	20.002	29.998	Left	25.000	Reach SC 2L, Sliver Crk. Left Bank
SC 2La	20.002	29.998	Left	25.000	Reach SC 2La, Sliver Crk. Parallels Reach SC 2L. Protected by Levee.
SC 2R	20.000	30.000	Right	25.000	Reach SC 2R, Silver Crk. Right bank.
SC 3	29.999	30.000	Left	30.000	Top of study area. RM 30.0

through 29.998), and bank (Left). Discussions later on will illustrate situations where this can be used to your advantage. For now, the discussion will center on computing stage-damage for several structures (located on the right bank) within reach SC 2R. The index point is located at station 25.000 (river mile 25.000). The stage-damage function for each structure is aggregated to the index location.

E.3   Setting Up the Calculation Procedures

Initially, FDA builds storage locations in memory for the stage-aggregated damage functions. It determines the total number of damage reaches for all streams and the number of damage categories. For each reach, it determines the range of stages required to cover the entire range of events from frequent to infrequent. It attempts to determine this range first by retrieving the discharge-exceedance probability and stage-discharge functions (or stage-probability function). If these are not available, it retrieves the water surface profile information. If this is not available, FDA cannot determine the required range of stages at the index location and the calculation procedures will not proceed.

To initialize and scale the stage-aggregated damage matrix, FDA must retrieve the discharge-exceedance probability and stage-discharge functions for reach SC 2R. Table E.2 (page E-4) lists Log Pearson Type III Statistics for the hypothetical damage reach SC 2R. The number of years is the equivalent length of record and is a measure of the uncertainty

Table E.2
Log Pearson Type III Statistics for
Damage Reach SC 2R

Mean	3.000
Standard Deviation	0.200
Skew	0.400
Number of Years	50

in the statistics. FDA computes discharge-exceedance probability curve ordinates as shown in Table E.3. Although these are generated from Log Pearson Type III Statistics, they could have been generated from either

Table E.3
Probability Ordinates, Damage Reach SC 2R

Probability	Discharge	95%	5%
0.9990	312	240	378
0.9900	393	315	464
0.9500	496	413	571
0.9000	567	483	646
0.8000	675	587	758
0.7000	770	679	859
0.5000	970	869	1,080
0.3000	1,243	1,115	1,403
0.2000	1,456	1,297	1,670
0.1000	1,834	1,606	2,168
0.0400	2,377	2,028	2,927
0.0200	2,833	2,369	3,595
0.0100	3,335	2,734	4,355
0.0040	4,081	3,263	5,530
0.0020	4,711	3,698	6,555
0.0010	5,410	4,170	7,725
0.0001	8,306	6,046	12,868

synthetic statistics or from graphical coordinates. For scaling, FDA uses the extreme ordinates of flow corresponding to probabilities 0.999 and .0001 which represent return intervals of about one and 1,000 years. For risk analysis, discharges corresponding to the 95% (240 cfs) and 5% (12,868 cfs) confidence limit curves are used for computing the required scaling for stage-damage computations. Figure E.1 (page E-5) depicts the discharge-exceedance probability curve with confidence limits.

Once the discharge-exceedance probability curve is retrieved and the extreme discharge values are determined, the stage-discharge function is retrieved and used to determine the corresponding stages. Figure E.2 (page E-5) graphs the stage-discharge rating curve for reach SC 2R.
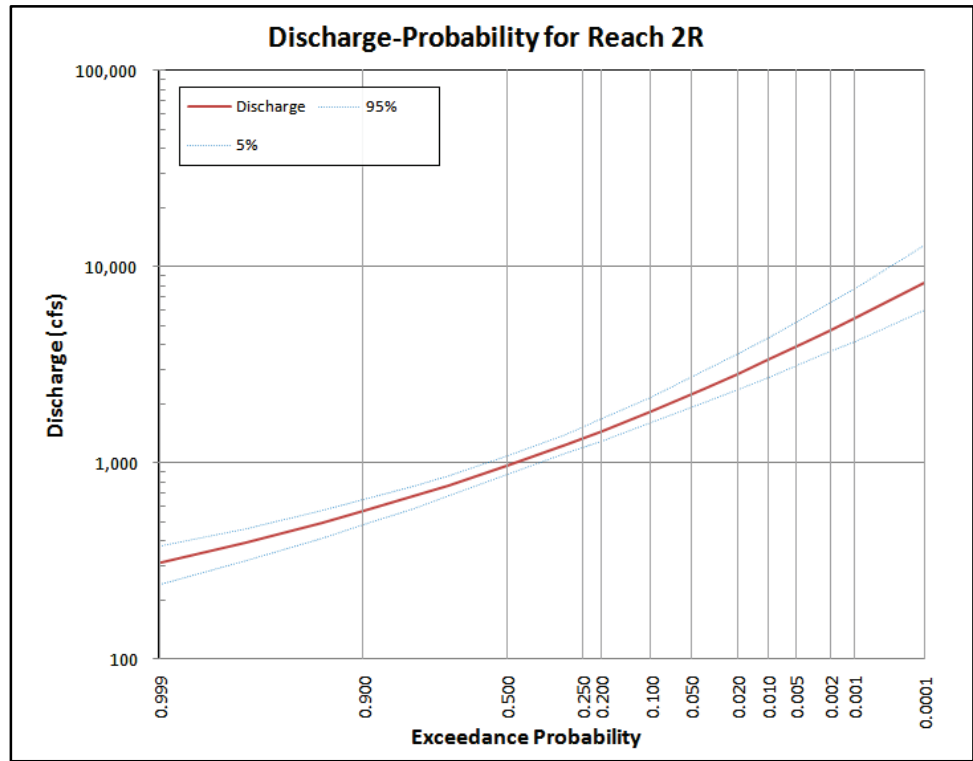
Figure E.1 Discharge-Exceedance Probability Curve for Damage Reach SC 2R
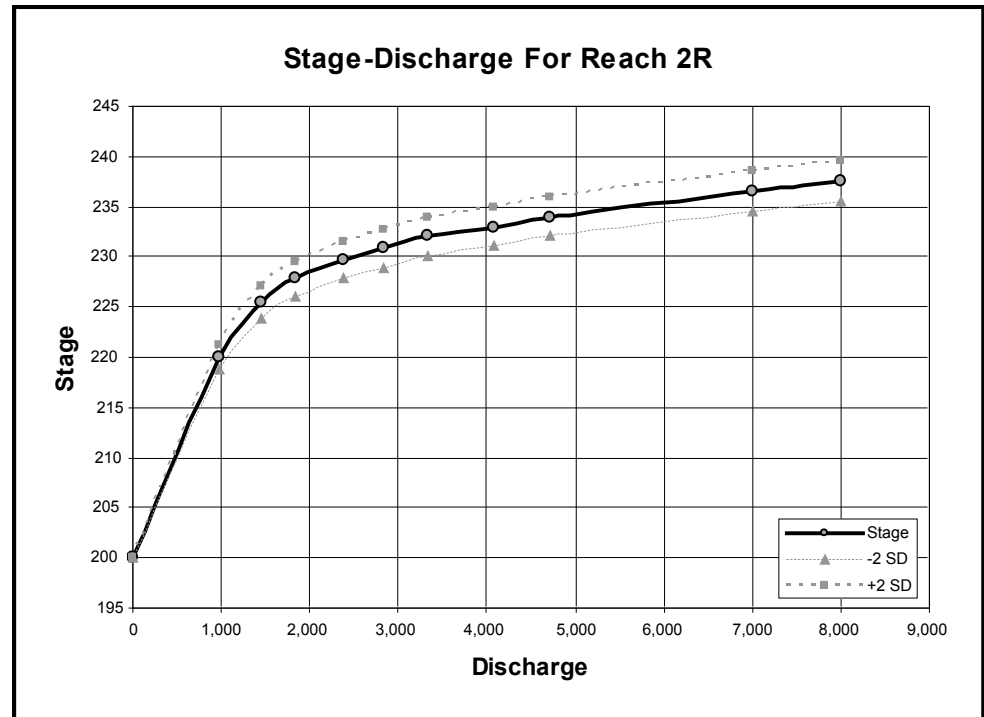
Figure E.2 Stage-Discharge Function for Damage Reach SC 2R

Table E.4 lists the stage-discharge ordinates for reach SC 2R. They were
computed from water surface profiles. Since FDA will not extrapolate the
rating curve, additional points beyond the standard eight profiles were

Table E.4
Stage-Discharge Function for Damage Reach SC 2R

Discharge	Stage	-2 SD	+2 SD
0	200.00	200.00	200.00
970	220.00	218.75	221.25
1,456	225.50	223.91	227.09
1,834	227.80	226.06	229.54
2,377	229.70	227.84	231.56
2,833	230.80	228.88	232.73
3,335	232.00	230.00	234.00
4,081	233.00	231.00	235.00
4,711	234.00	232.00	236.00
7,000	236.50	234.50	238.50
8,000	237.50	235.50	239.50

calculated for very high discharges of 7,000 and 8,000 cfs. Stages are
interpolated from this table using the extreme discharges of the probability
function with the extreme stages from the rating curve. The discharges of
240 cfs and 12,868 cfs correspond to stages of 204.64 and 239.5. Note
that the maximum stage is truncated at the highest value on the rating
curve for two standard deviations. FDA then calculates a range of stages
that meet the following criteria:

- encompass the range of stages from 204.64 through 239.5 feet.
- have an interval that is either one, two, or five times ten0 raised to
  some power. For example, 2.0×10^{-1} creates an array of stages 0.2
  feet apart.
- have at least twenty but not more than thirty ordinates (this is an
  input option that you can change to allow a maximum of sixty
  ordinates). For this example, both the minimum and maximum
  number of ordinates was set to thirty.

For example, the stages in the stage-aggregated damage matrix for reach
SC 2R are computed as:

- thirty ordinates
- Minimum stage is 204.0 feet
- Maximum stage is 262.0 feet
- Interval between stages is 2.0 feet

FDA now allocates memory for the array of stages and additional space
for the corresponding aggregated damage and uncertainty (which will be
computed) for all damage categories and stores the stages in this block of
memory. All reaches are processed in the same manner as reach SC 2R.

If the discharge-exceedance probability and/or stage-discharge functions are not stored in the database, FDA determines the range of stages from the water surface profile information. However, the default profiles include only a range of probability starting at 0.50. The resulting stage range could easily start too high. For example, if the functions were not available for reach SC 2R, the use of profile information would result in an array of thirty stages ranging from 219.0 to 248.0 feet at an interval of 1.0 feet. This may cause truncation of damage for infrequent events.

E.4   Computing Stage-Damage at Individual Structures Without Uncertainty

Once memory is allocated for the stage-aggregated damage matrices and the range of stages is determined for all reaches and all damage categories, FDA begins processing all structures that meet the plan/ analysis year filter. The plan year filter selects all structures which belong to the same structure modules that have been assigned. By default, the **Base** module is always included although it may be an empty module (no structures assigned to this module). By default, each structure is assigned to the **Base** module but it may be overridden. This section describes the processes and calculations at several structures which meet the plan/analysis year filter.

E.4.1 Calculating the Assumed Water Surface Profile Elevations at the Structure

Stage-damage at one structure is computed by calculating the water surface profile stages at the structure, determining the depth of flooding, and calculating the damage using values (structure, content, other) and depth-damage functions. The assumed stages at the structure correspond to the stages in the stage-aggregated damage function at the index location after adjusting for the slope of the water surface profile(s) between the index location and the structure. If the calculations use the water surface profiles (the eight standard profiles), the stages are adjusted using all eight profiles. If the SID reference flood water surface profile is used, then only one profile is used to adjust the stages.

Description of Sample Data - Profiles and Structures

Table E.5 (page E-8) lists the water surface profile stages at three cross-sections (station 20.0, 25.0, and 30.0). Stages are tabulated under their associated probability. For example, at station 25.000 (river mile 25.000), the stage for the 0.01 probability event (100 year return interval) is 232.0 feet.

Table E.5
Stage Water Surface Stage Profiles, Without Condition

Station	Invert	0.500	0.200	0.100	0.040	0.020	0.010	0.004	0.002
20.000	150.0	158.0	161.2	163.1	164.7	165.9	166.7	167.1	167.3
25.000	200.0	220.0	225.5	227.8	229.7	230.8	232.0	233.0	234.0
30.000	209.0	236.0	246.0	252.0	257.6	261.6	264.6	266.6	267.6

Figure E.3 graphically displays these same values. At the lower end of the study area (station 20.000), the profiles are relatively close compared to the upper end. The index location for reach SC 2R is at station 25.000.
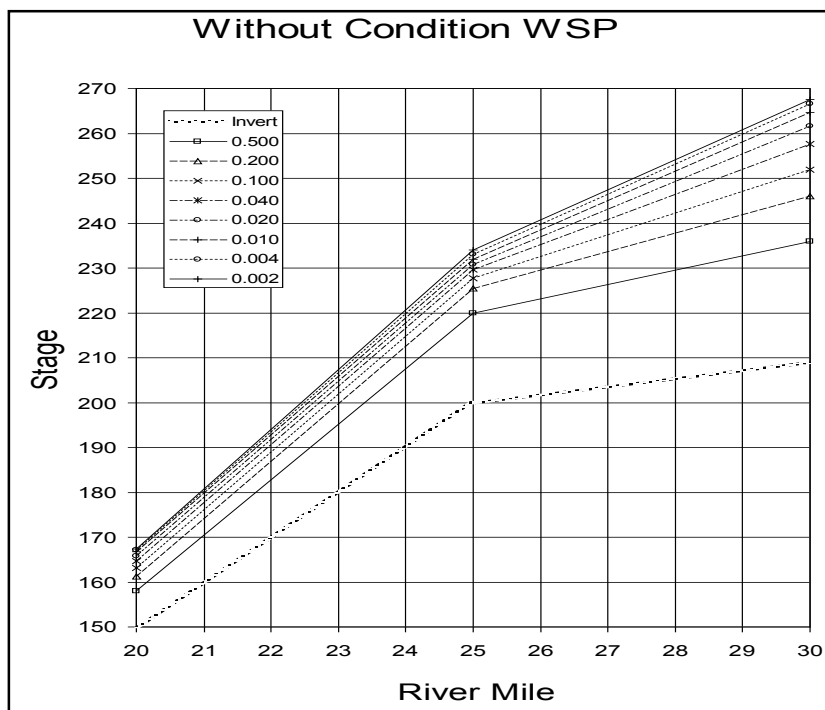
Figure E.3 Water Surface Profiles, Without Condition

To illustrate the aggregation process, three identical structures are used to calculate damage - one at the index location (station 25.000), and one at each of the extreme limits of the study (station 20.000 and 30.000). Table E.6 (page E-10) lists the appropriate characteristics for each structure. The first floor stage of each structure is located at the same stage as the 10% chance event. This will help illustrate several points about the calculations including using the eight water surface profiles as opposed to just the SID reference flood profile, having nonparallel profiles, and the location of each structure as defined by the structure station. Each structure is valued at $100,000. The contents are valued at $50,000 and it is calculated using the global "ratio of content-to-structure value" which is defined within occupancy type SF OS NB which also contains the depth-percent damage functions. All three structures are located on the right bank.

Table E.6
Structure Characteristics for Aggregation

Characteristic	Structure		
Name	R001	R002	R003
Station	20.000	25.000	30.00
Structure Value	100	100	100
Content Value			
Other Value			
Bank	R	R	R
Damage Category	SF Residential	SF Residential	SF Residential
Occupancy Type	SF OS NB	SF OS NB	SF OS NB
Stream	Silver Creek	Silver Creek	Silver Creek
Module	Base	Base	Base
First Floor Stage	163.1	227.8	252.0

Calculating Sample Aggregation Stages

To determine the assumed (or aggregated) water surface stages at each
structure, the water surface profiles are used to generate a family of
profiles which correspond to the aggregation (tabulation) stages at the
index location. For structure R002 which is located at the index location,
the assumed water surface stages correspond exactly to the aggregation
stages. For structures R001 and R003, the assumed stages at the structure
must be calculated. For aggregation stages above the rarest event (.002) or
below the most frequent event (.500), aggregation profiles are parallel to
the adjacent probability profile (.002 and .500 probability events
respectively). Aggregation profiles between these two extremes are
calculated using simple ratios of the computed water surface profiles.
Table E.7 lists the aggregation profile stages at river mile 20.000, 25.000,

Table E.7
Aggregation Profiles at Selected Locations

	River Mile (station)							
	20	25	30			20	25	30
1	142.00	204.00	220.00		16	167.30	234.00	267.60
2	144.00	206.00	222.00		17	169.30	236.00	269.60
3	146.00	208.00	224.00		18	171.30	238.00	271.60
4	148.00	210.00	226.00		19	173.30	240.00	273.60
5	150.00	212.00	228.00		20	175.30	242.00	275.60
6	152.00	214.00	230.00		21	177.30	244.00	277.60
7	154.00	216.00	232.00		22	179.30	246.00	279.60
8	156.00	218.00	234.00		23	181.30	248.00	281.60
9	158.00	220.00	236.00		24	183.30	250.00	283.60
10	159.16	222.00	239.64		25	185.30	252.00	285.60
11	160.33	224.00	243.27		26	187.30	254.00	287.60
12	161.61	226.00	247.30		27	189.30	256.00	289.60
13	163.27	228.00	252.59		28	191.30	258.00	291.60
14	165.03	230.00	258.69		29	193.30	260.00	293.60
15	166.70	232.00	264.60		30	195.30	262.00	295.60

and 30.000 which correspond to the three hypothetical structures. The lowest profile (.500 probability) is at stage 220.0 at the index location. All aggregation profiles below this minimum are parallel. For example, the .500 probability profile drops 62.0 feet from 220.0 at the index location to 158.0 feet at station 20.0. The same is true of the lowest aggregation profile which drops from 204.0 feet at the index location to 142.0 feet at station 20.00. Aggregation profiles above the maximum water surface profile are parallel to the 0.002 probability profile which reaches 234.0 feet at the index location. Aggregation profiles between 220.0 and 234.0 feet are computed using ratios. For example, the aggregation profile which has a stage of 230.0 feet at the index location has stages of 165.03 and 258.69 at river mile 20.000 and 30.000 respectively. Figures E.4 and E.5 (page E-11) depict selected water surface profiles and aggregation profiles for river miles 20.000 through 30.000 and 25.000 through 30.000 respectively. Note that the aggregation profile for a stage of 210.0 at the index location actually crosses below the invert at river mile 20.000 because the water surface slope is much greater than the invert.
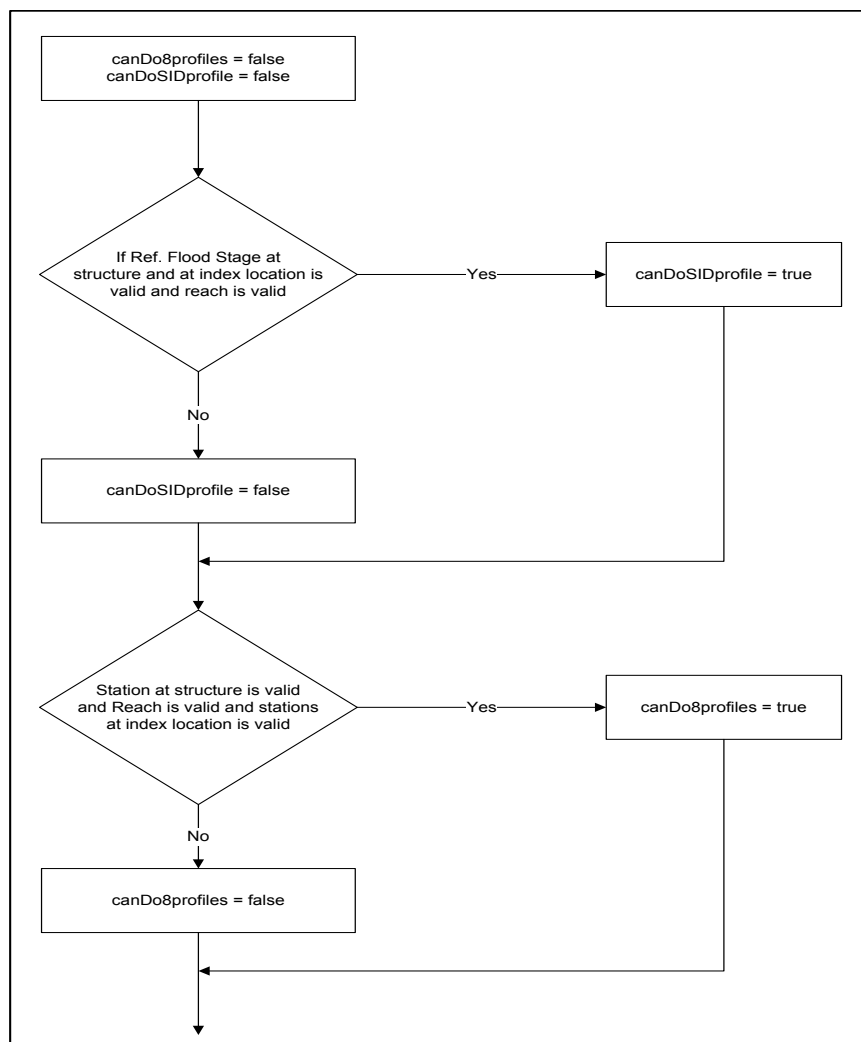
Figure E.4 Logic for Testing Data Validity of Aggregation Methodologies
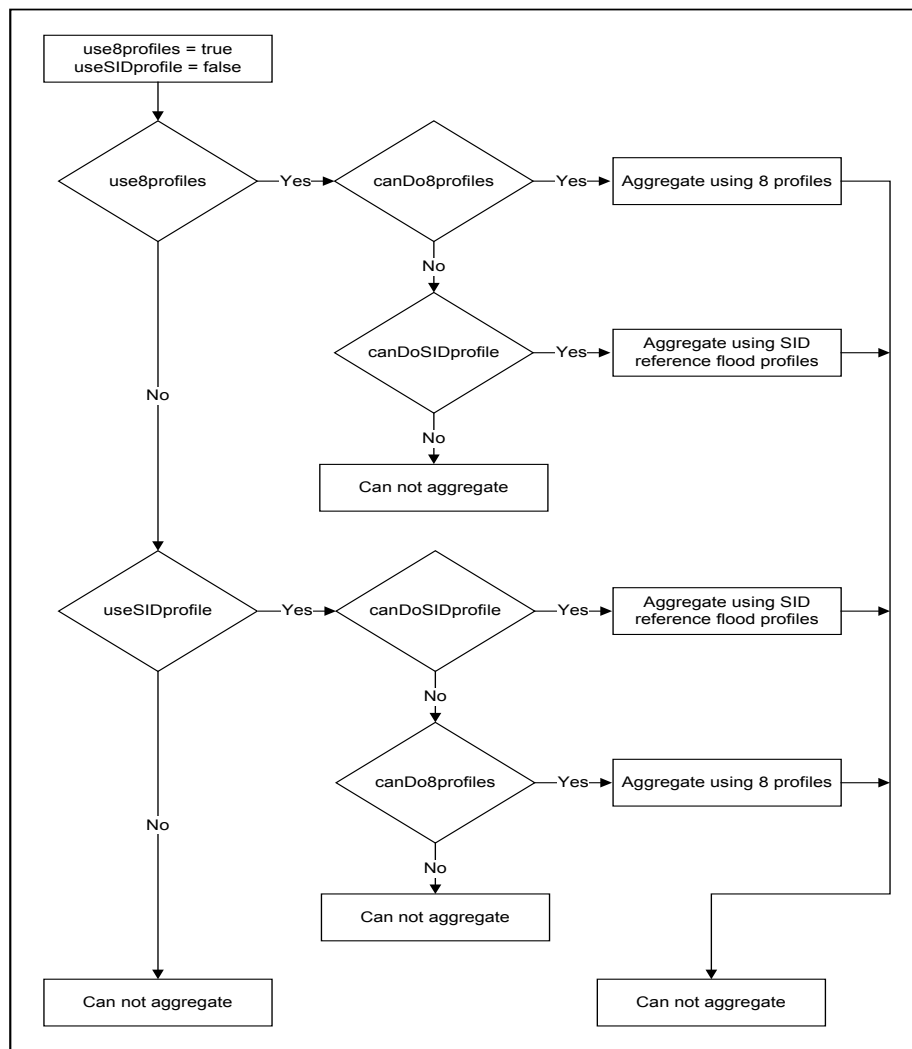
Figure E.5 Logic for Determining Aggregation Methodology

Aggregation Methodologies

There are two methods for aggregating stage-damage to the index location. The difference between the two is the source of water surface profiles. The sources are:

- The set of eight water surface profiles.
- The SID reference flood water surface profile.

The use of the eight water surface profiles facilitates accurate calculations when water surface profiles are not parallel. The use of the SID reference flood profile facilitates calculations using the old HEC-SID methodologies or calculations which require special circumstances. These circumstances might include:

- No profiles are available and water surface profiles are assumed to be flat.

● The profiles in the over-bank area are significantly different than those in the channel and a separate "stream" is not used.

Results using the single SID reference flood profile are identical to using eight parallel water surface profiles.

Data Requirements for Aggregation

The following data are required for aggregation using the eight water surface profiles:

● The structure must be assigned a valid stream, station, and bank.
● A set of water surface profiles must be entered for the desired plan, analysis year, and stream. The cross-section stationing must include the structure station.
● A damage reach must be defined which embodies location criteria of stream, bank, and beginning/ending stations that encapsulate those specified for the structure.

The following data are required for aggregation using the SID reference flood water surface profile:

● SID reference flood water surface stage at the structure.
● SID reference flood water surface stage at the index location.

SID reference flood water surface profile data is normally defined through import procedures and include importing either:

● An old SID input data file.
● Tab-delimited text file.

The SID reference flood stage may be entered in the GUI for the structure but not for the index location - it must be defined either through import or using commercial database software such as Visual dBASE.

Selecting the Aggregation Methodology

You select the desired methodology you wish to use for aggregation. To use the SID reference flood for aggregation purposes, the analysis must check the box **Use SID Ref Flood** for each plan/analysis year combination. If the box is not checked, then the eight water surface profiles are used. However, if the structure does not satisfy the data requirements for the desired methodology, FDA attempts to use the alternate methodology if data is available. This allows a mixture of methodologies within a selected plan/analysis year. Figure E.4 (page E-10) depicts the logic that FDA uses for determining the possible aggregation methodologies for the selected structure. When aggregating

damage at a structure, FDA determines the possible methodologies using the logic of Figure E.4 (page E-10) and then uses the logic of Figure E.5 (page E-11) for calculation purposes.

E.4.2 Computing Damage for One Aggregation Stage Without Uncertainty

Overview

Damage is calculated at the structure for each of the stages listed in Table E.7 (page E-9). In this example, the three structures are located at stations 20.000, 25.000, and 30.000 and the corresponding stages are tabulated. If a structure is located between any of these stations, FDA will make the appropriate interpolations. The FDA computation algorithm assumes the highest stage first (262.00 at the index location) and descends to the lowest (204.00 at the index location). If calculated damage is zero for three consecutive stages, FDA assumes the zero-damage point has been reached and terminates calculations for the current structure. The calculation procedures accept as input the basic structure information as well as the associated data such as damage category and structure occupancy type. The following data is used as input to the calculations:

Structure Information
- Stream
- Station
- Bank
- Optional SID data (SID reach name, reference flood stage)
- First Floor Stage (or ground stage and foundation height)
- Beginning damage depth (optional)
- Damage Category Name
- Structure Occupancy Type Name
- Depth-Direct Dollar Damage Functions for this structure (optional)
- Module
- Number of Structures
- Values (structure, content, other)
- Year in Service

Related Information from the following:
- Damage Category
  - Price Index (optional)

- Structure Occupancy Type
  - Depth-Damage Functions (structure and/or content and/or other) with optional uncertainty parameters.

- Content to Structure Value Ratio (percent)
- Other to Structure Value Ratio (percent)
- Uncertainty Parameters
  - First Floor Stage
  - Structure Value
  - Content to Structure Value Ratio
  - Other to Structure Value Ratio

- Streams
  - Stream Name

- Damage Reaches
  - Stream
  - Bank (left, right, or both)
  - Stations - Beginning and Ending
  - Reach Name (Used with SID reach names)

Other data/information may be entered for the structure, but it is not currently used in the computations. Some of the above data overlaps. For example, you may define the first floor stage directly, or you may define it using the ground stage and the foundation height.

The example data set includes the occupancy type Single Family Residential, without basement. Table E.8 lists the depth-percent damage functions for the Single Family, Residential, without basement (SF OS NB) structure occupancy type. The functions are specified for structure

Table E.8
Single Family, Residential, Without Basement
Structure Occupancy Type Damage Function

Depth (feet)	Structure (percent damage)	Contents (percent damage)
-1	0	0
0	5	2
1	7	5
2	10	15
5	25	50
10	50	80
15	70	90
20	80	95

and content but there is no damage to other. Figure E.6 (page E-15) depicts these same functions.

Figure E.7 (Page E-15) depicts the FDA stage-damage calculation procedure. The aggregation profiles (shown in Figure E.8 (page E-16), Figure E.9 (page E-16) and Table E.7 (page E-9) are used to compute the
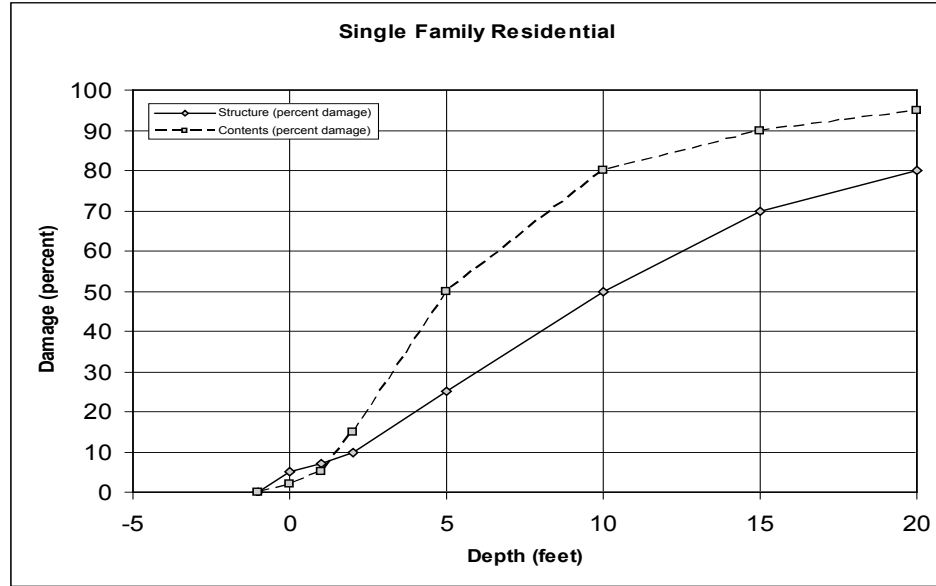
Figure E.6 Single Family, Residential, Without Basement Structure Occupancy
Type Data Function
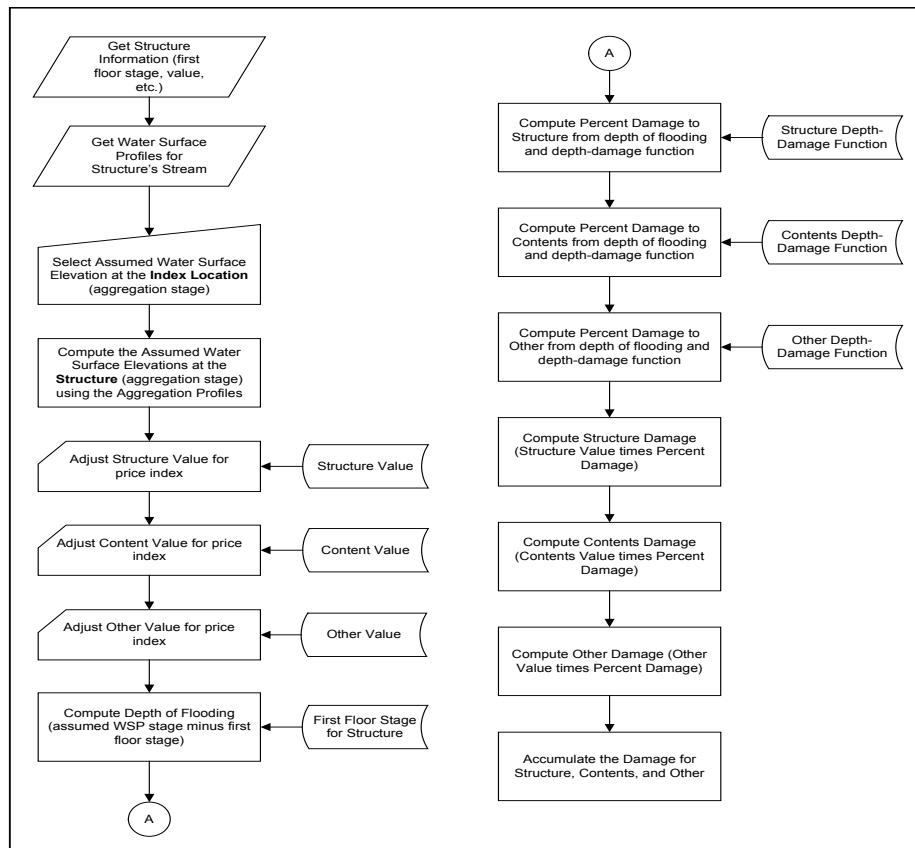
Figure E.7 Calculating Stage-Damage Without Uncertainty, One Ordinate
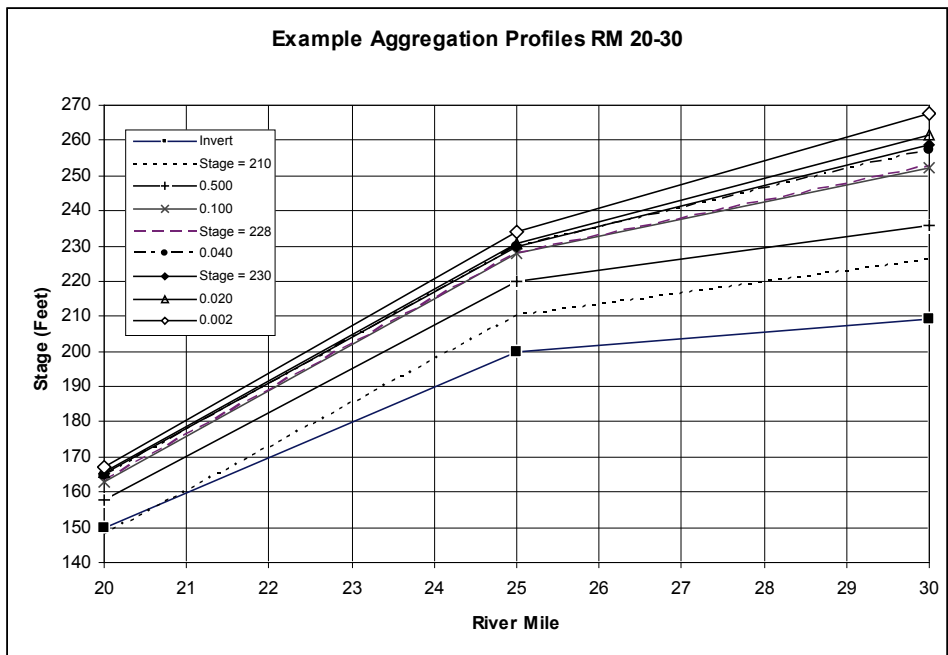
Figure E.8 Selected Aggregation and Water Surface Profiles RM 20.00 – 30.00
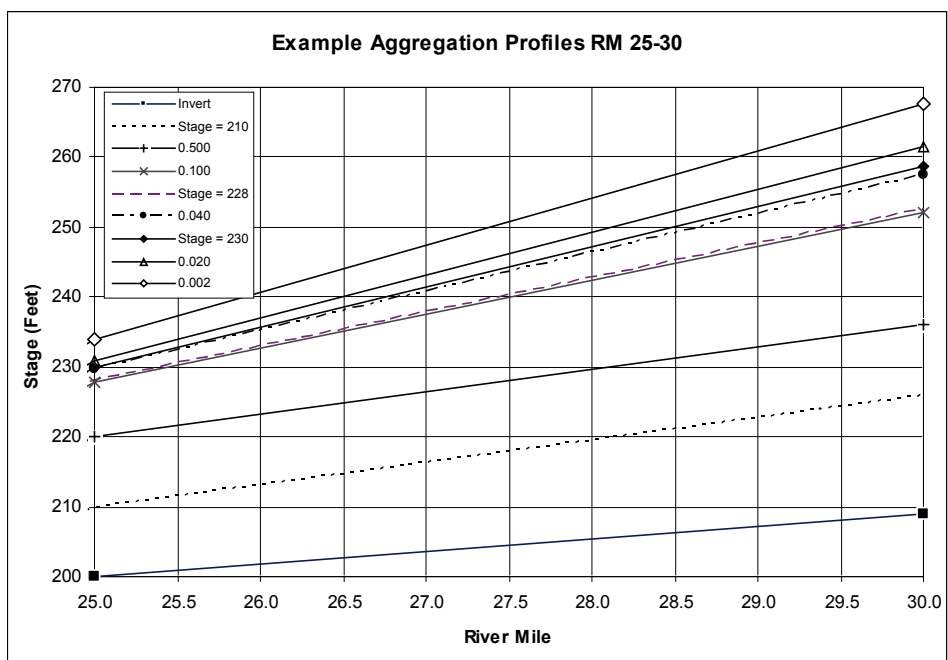
Figure E.9 Selected Aggregation and Water Surface Profiles RM 25.00 – 30.00

"Assumed Water Surface Elevation at the Structure" (or Aggregation Stage) which is used to compute the depth of flooding. Figure E.7 (page E-15) depicts the process for one ordinate at one structure without using risk analysis procedures.

Procedure for Calculating Stage-Damage Without Uncertainty

The following section describes the stage-damage calculations depicted in Figure E.7 (page E-15) in more detail. Table E.9 lists and Figure E.10 (page E-18) graphs results for structure R003. FDA writes this table to the file *FDA_SDmg.out* if the trace option is set to ten or greater. In this example, the "mean depth" and the "nominal depth" are the same because there is no uncertainty in the economic functions. Some of the following narrative describes results for the highest aggregation stage. Table E.9 lists results for all stages.

Table E.9
Stage-Damage Without Uncertainty for Structure R003

Structure: R0003							
Stream: Sliver Creek							
Reach: SC 2R							
Category: SF Residential							
Address:							
City:							
State:							
Index	WS Elev @ Index	WS Elev @ Structure	Nominal Depth	Mean Depth	Structure Damage	Content Damage	Other Damage	Total Damage
1	204.00	220.00	-32.00	-32.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2	206.00	222.00	-30.00	-30.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
3	208.00	224.00	-28.00	-28.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
4	210.00	226.00	-26.00	-26.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
5	212.00	228.00	-24.00	-24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
6	214.00	230.00	-22.00	-22.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
7	216.00	232.00	-20.00	-20.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
8	218.00	234.00	-18.00	-18.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
9	220.00	236.00	-16.00	-16.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
10	222.00	239.64	-12.36	-12.36	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
11	224.00	243.27	-8.73	-8.73	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
12	226.00	247.30	-4.70	-4.70	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
13	228.00	252.59	0.59	0.59	$6.18	$1.88	$0.00	$8.06
14	230.00	258.69	6.69	6.69	$33.45	$30.07	$0.00	$63.53
15	232.00	264.60	12.60	12.60	$60.40	$42.60	$0.00	$103.00
16	234.00	267.60	15.60	15.60	$71.20	$45.30	$0.00	$116.50
17	236.00	269.60	17.60	17.60	$75.20	$46.30	$0.00	$121.50
18	238.00	271.60	19.60	19.60	$79.20	$47.30	$0.00	$126.50
19	240.00	273.60	21.60	21.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
20	242.00	275.60	23.60	23.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
21	244.00	277.60	25.60	25.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
22	246.00	279.60	27.60	27.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
23	248.00	281.60	29.60	29.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
24	250.00	283.60	31.60	31.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
25	252.00	285.60	33.60	33.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
26	254.00	287.60	35.60	35.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
27	256.00	289.60	37.60	37.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
28	258.00	291.60	39.60	39.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
29	260.00	293.60	41.60	41.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
30	262.00	295.60	43.60	43.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50

Figure E.10 Stage-Damage Without Uncertainty for Structure R003

(1) Get Structure Information
    Retrieve structure data from the database. Includes first floor stage, value of structure, contents, and other, etc. Table E.6 (page E-9) lists some of the sample structure information.

(2) Get water surface profiles for the structure's stream
    Each structure is assigned a stream. The profiles for the current structure are retrieved from the database. For the example, all structures are on "Silver Creek". If profiles do not exist for Silver Creek, the SID reference flood profile may be used. The example structures all use the water surface profiles as listed in Table E.5 (page E-8).

(3) Select Assumed Water Surface Elevation at the Index Location (Aggregation Stage)
    The assumed (or aggregation) stages are listed in Table E.7 (page E-9). The index location is at river mile 25.000. The aggregation stages range from 204.0 to 262.0 feet.

(4) Compute the Assumed Water Surface Stage at the Structure using the aggregation profiles

The assumed (or aggregation stages) are calculated at the structure using the profiles listed in Table E.5 (page E-8). Table E.7 (page E-9) lists the tabulation stages at the index as well as at river mile 20.000 and 30.000 which correspond to structures R001, and R003. For example, an aggregation stage of 236.0 at the index translates into a stage of 269.6 at structure R003. Stages may be interpolated for any river mile between 20.000 and 30.000.

(5) Adjust structure value for price index
The price index is entered as a global value under "File/Study Information". The price index may also be entered by damage category and it will over-ride the global value. If left blank (undefined) the global study price index is used. The price index is simply multiplied by the structure value which is stored in the database to obtain an updated value for calculation purposes. The value in the database is not changed. For this example, the price index is 1.0 and the value for structure R003 is $100k * 1.0 or $100k.

(6) Adjust contents value for price index
Contents value is adjusted in a similar manner to the structure value. The content value must first be determined. For indirect depth-damage functions (using percent damage), it can be computed using the ratio of content-to-structure value entered with the occupancy types. This calculation can be over-ridden by entering a dollar value at individual structures. At the structure level, if the contents value is left blank (undefined), the occupancy code ratio is used. For structures having a direct depth-damage function (damage is in thousands of dollars), the content value is not used for calculations since damage is computed directly from the depth-damage function.

(7) Adjust "other" value for price index
Other value is computed in the same fashion as the contents.

(8) Compute depth of flooding (assumed WSP stage minus first floor stage)
The assumed (aggregation) stages computed above are used to determine the depth of flooding. For the example structure R003, the aggregation stage of 236.0 at the index location translates into a stage of 269.6 at the structure which translates into a depth of 17.6 feet (first floor stage is 252.0 feet).

(9) Compute percent damage to structure from depth of flooding and depth-damage function

> The percent structure damage is computed using the depth of flooding (17.6 feet) from step 8 and the depth-percent damage function from occupancy type "SF OS NB". The resulting percent structure damage for a depth of 17.6 feet is 75.2%. FDA does not extrapolate depth-damage functions for depths beyond the defined depth range. For example, the maximum structural damage is 80% of the structure value.

(10) Compute percent damage to contents from depth of flooding and depth-damage function

> The percent contents damage is computed in a manner similar to that for structure damage.

(11) Compute percent damage to other from depth of flooding and depth-damage function

> The percent other damage is computed in a manner similar to that for structure damage.

(12) Compute structure damage (structure value times percent damage)

> The structure damage is computed using the depth of flooding (17.6 feet) from step 8 and the structure value ($100k) from step 5 and the percent damage (75.2%) for the depth of flooding from occupancy type "SF OS NB" from step 9. The resulting damage is: $100k * 0.752 = $75.2k

(13) Compute contents damage (contents value times percent damage)

> The contents damage is computed in a manner similar to that for structure damage.

(14) Compute other damage (other value times percent damage)

> The other damage is computed in a manner similar to that for structure damage.

(15) Accumulate the damage for structure, contents and other.

> The structure, contents, and other damage is accumulated for the selected stream-reach, and category. When all calculations are complete, the results are stored in the database for the calculation plan and year and are stored separately for each stream-reach, damage category, and type (structure, contents, other, and total).

E.5   Computing Stage-Damage at One Structure with Uncertainty

E.5.1   Overview

This section describes the calculation of stage-damage for structures whose economic parameters have uncertainty. The calculations are similar to those when there is no uncertainty except that one or more parameters or functions are sampled. When there is no uncertainty, calculations are done only once for each assumed (aggregation) stage. When uncertainty is included, the calculations must be performed repetitively for each assumed water surface stage (and associated depth of flooding). Figure E.11 (page E-22) depicts the calculation procedures for one structure with uncertainty. Although similar to Figure E.7 (page E-15), Figure E.11 (page E-22) not only reflects risk analysis computations but also depicts the calculation loop for all aggregation ordinates as well as multiple iterations when a single structure record represents multiple, identical structures.

E.5.2   Risk Analysis Calculations

The repetitive risk analysis calculations are done within the simulation loop. FDA makes 100 simulations at each stage but you can change this using the Compute Stage-Damage options. You may specify uncertainty parameters for the first floor stage, structure value, content value, other value, and damage in the depth-damage functions. Each of the uncertainties is defined by one or more parameters and an associated distribution. Allowable distributions include normal, log-normal, and triangular. For example, to describe the uncertainty in the first floor stage, you may define a normal distribution with a standard deviation of 0.3 feet. For each simulation, FDA samples this first floor distribution to derive a simulated first floor stage with error. Similar procedures are used for values (structure, content, other) and the damage in the depth-damage functions.

E.5.3   Identical Structures

The calculation loop for identical structures allows you to enter data for one structure but specify that it represents several structures which have identical characteristics (first floor stage, value, occupancy type, etc.). You enter an integer which is greater than one for Number of Structures**.**

FDA takes one structure record and iterates the calculation loop "Number of Structures" times. Each iteration is treated as a new structure with full Monte-Carlo simulation but uses the same structure information such as first floor stage, structure value, occupancy type, etc.
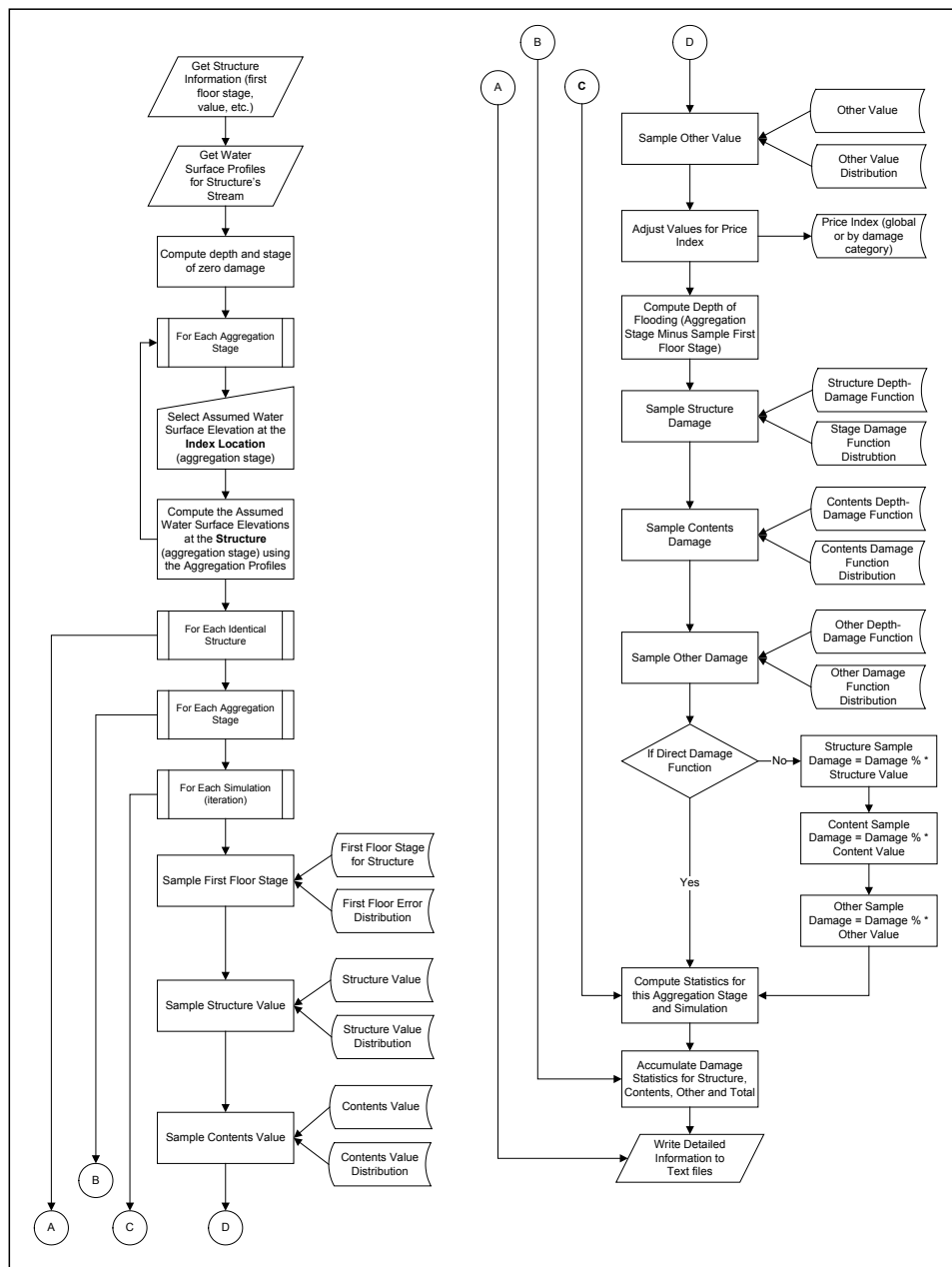
Figure E.11 Calculating Stage-Damage Without Uncertainty for One Structure

E.5.4 Detailed Description of Stage-Damage Calculation with Uncertainty

The following section describes in detail the stage-damage calculations depicted in Figure E.11. It is similar to the previous section on calculations without uncertainty. Table E.10 (page E-23) lists the uncertainty parameters for this example. Table E.11 (page E-23) lists results for structure R003.

Table E.10
Uncertainty Parameters for Example Problem

Parameter	Distribution	Std. Dev.
First Floor Stage	Normal	0.3 feet
Structure Value	Normal	10%
Contents Value Ratio	Normal	20%
Damage in Depth-Damage Function	Normal	5%

Table E.11
Stage-Damage Without Uncertainty for Structure R003

Structure: R0003								
Stream: Sliver Creek								
Reach: SC 2R								
Category: SF Residential								
Address:								
City:								
State:								

Index	WS Elev @ Index	WS Elev @ Structure	Nominal Depth	Mean Depth	Structure Damage	Content Damage	Other Damage	Total Damage
1	204.00	220.00	-32.00	-32.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
2	206.00	222.00	-30.00	-30.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
3	208.00	224.00	-28.00	-28.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
4	210.00	226.00	-26.00	-26.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
5	212.00	228.00	-24.00	-24.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
6	216.00	230.00	-22.00	-22.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
7	215.00	232.00	-20.00	-20.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
8	218.00	234.00	-18.00	-18.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
9	220.00	236.00	-16.00	-16.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
10	222.00	239.64	-12.36	-12.36	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
11	224.00	243.27	-8.73	-8.73	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
12	226.00	247.30	-4.70	-4.70	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00	$0.00
13	228.00	252.59	0.59	0.59	$6.18	$1.88	$0.00	$8.06
14	230.00	258.69	6.69	6.69	$33.45	$30.07	$0.00	$63.53
15	232.00	264.60	12.60	12.60	$60.40	$42.60	$0.00	$103.00
16	234.00	267.60	15.60	15.60	$71.20	$45.30	$0.00	$116.50
17	236.00	269.60	17.60	17.60	$75.20	$46.30	$0.00	$121.50
18	238.00	271.60	19.60	19.60	$79.20	$47.30	$0.00	$126.50
19	240.00	273.60	21.60	21.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
20	242.00	275.60	23.60	23.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
21	244.00	277.60	25.60	25.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
22	246.00	279.60	27.60	27.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
23	248.00	281.60	29.60	29.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
24	250.00	283.60	31.60	31.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
25	252.00	285.60	33.60	33.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
26	254.00	287.60	35.60	35.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
27	256.00	289.60	37.60	37.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
28	258.00	291.60	39.60	39.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
29	260.00	293.60	41.60	41.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50
30	262.00	295.60	43.60	43.60	$80.00	$47.50	$0.00	$127.50

FDA writes this table to the file *FDA_SDmg.out* if the trace option is set to ten or greater. In this example, the "mean depth" and the nominal depth are not the same because there is uncertainty in the first floor stage. The nominal depth is the depth when no uncertainty is used whereas the mean depth is the calculated mean depth after Monte-Carlo simulations. Some

of the narrative below describes results for the highest aggregation stage. Figure E.12 depicts the computed stage-damage with uncertainty function for structure R003.
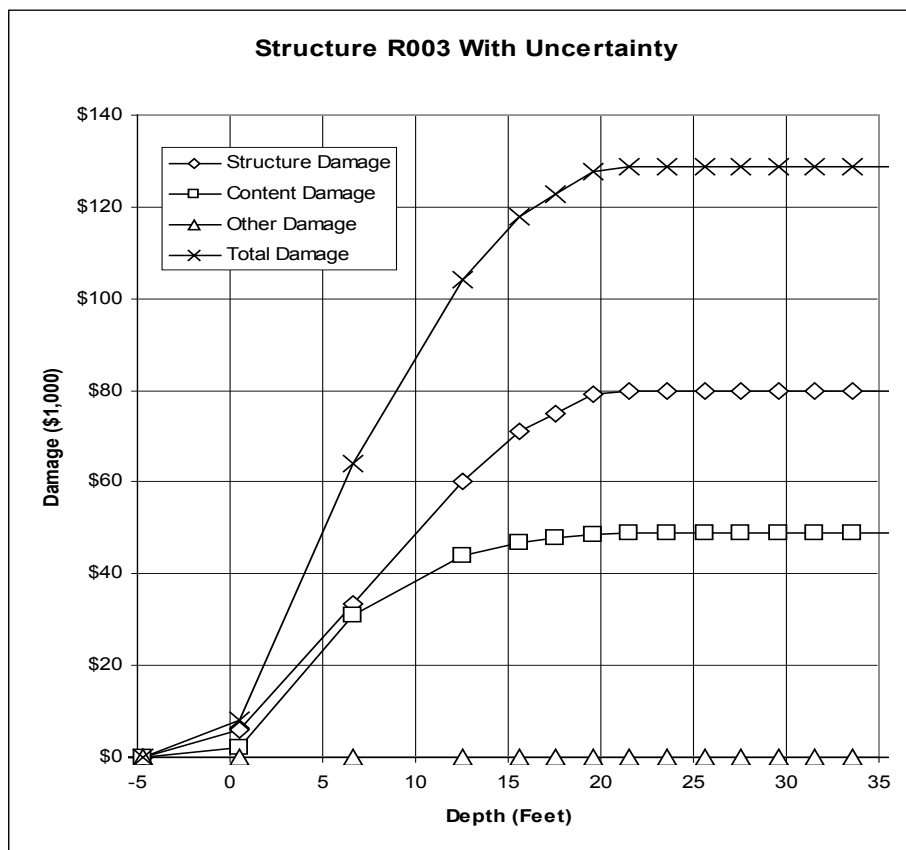
Figure E.12 Stage-Damage With Uncertainty for Structure R003

(1)   Get structure information.
Retrieve structure data from the database. This includes first floor stage, value of structure, contents, and other, etc. Table E.6 (page E-9) lists some of the sample structure information.

(2)   Get water surface profiles for the structure's stream.
Each structure is assigned a stream. The water surface profiles for the current structure are retrieved from the database. For the example, all structures are on *Silver Creek*. If water surface profiles do not exist for *Silver Creek*, the SID reference flood profile may be used. The example structures all use the water surface profiles as listed in Table E.5 (page E-8).

(3)   Compute depth and stage of zero damage.
FDA looks at the depth-damage functions (structure, content, and other) and the optional **Beginning Damage Depth** to determine the highest depth of zero damage. For the example structure occupancy type, this is at a depth of -1 feet. Normally,

the **Beginning Damage Depth** is left blank (undefined). It may be defined by individual structure if the damage functions are truncated at some depth. For example, this typically occurs for houses with basements where the damage function may start at a depth of -8 feet but water may not enter the basement until it reaches a depth of -1 foot. If some barrier prevented water from reaching structure R003 before a depth of 1 foot above the first floor, then you would define the **Beginning Damage Depth** as +1.0 foot and FDA would set the damage to zero for all aggregation depths of 1 foot or less during the Monte-Carlo simulations. The corresponding stage of zero damage is computed during the simulations as the sum of the first floor stage with error and the **Beginning Damage Depth**.

(4) Select assumed water surface elevation at the index location (aggregation stage).

The assumed (or aggregation) stages are listed in Table E.7 (page E-9). The index location is at river mile 25.000. The aggregation stages range from 204.0 to 262.0 feet.

(5) Compute the assumed water surface stage at the structure using the aggregation profiles.

The assumed (or aggregation stages) are calculated at the structure using the profiles listed in Table E.5 (page E-8). Table E.7 (page E-9) lists the tabulation stages at the index as well as at river mile 20.000 and 30.000 which correspond to structures R001, and R003. For example, an aggregation stage of 236.0 at the index translates into a stage of 269.6 at structure R003. Stages may be interpolated for any river mile between 20.000 and 30.000.

(6) For each identical structure, process the following steps:

Normally, the subsequent steps are processed once. If the **Number of Structures** is set to a value greater than one (1), the current structure is processed **Number of Structures** times to facilitate a crude sampling of structures. For example, if processed ten times, it is equivalent to entering ten identical structures.

(7) For each aggregation stage.

The following steps are repeated for each assumed (aggregation) stage. The stages are listed in Table E.7 (page E-9).

(8) For each simulation (iteration).

The following steps are repeated for each Monte-Carlo simulation. FDA currently does 100 simulations, this can be adjusted.

(9)   Sample first floor stage.
      The first floor stage with uncertainty is computed from the first
      floor stage, the uncertainty distribution and the uncertainty
      parameters. The uncertainty data is defined with the occupancy
      types (indirect depth-percent damage functions) or the structure
      (direct depth-dollar damage functions). The uncertainty
      parameters are in the same units as the first floor stage. For
      structure R003 (first floor stage of 252.0), the uncertainty in the
      first floor stage is modeled using the normal distribution with a
      standard deviation of 0.3 feet. If a sampled error in the first
      floor stage was one standard deviation from the median, the
      sampled first floor stage would be 252.3 feet.

(10)   Sample structure value.
      The structure value with uncertainty is computed from the
      structure value, the uncertainty distribution, and the uncertainty
      parameters. The uncertainty data is defined with the occupancy
      types. If using direct depth-dollar damage functions, the
      structure value is not sampled because it is built into the
      uncertainty of the damage function. The uncertainty parameters
      are entered in the percent of structure value. Table E.10 (page
      E-23) lists the uncertainty parameters for the example data. For
      structure R003 (value $100,000; occupancy code structure value
      error of 10%) a simulation error of one standard deviation
      would result in a sample structure value of $110,000 ($100,000
      + $10,000 * 1std.dev.). The use of uncertainty in percent allows
      structures of different values to use the same occupancy type
      and still maintain reasonable errors about the median value. For
      example, a $200,000 house using the same example occupancy
      type would have a computed standard deviation of error of
      $20,000.

(11)   Sample contents value.
      Contents value is sampled in a similar manner to the structure
      value. The content value must first be determined. For indirect
      depth-damage functions (using percent damage), it can be
      computed using the ratio of content-to-structure value entered
      with the occupancy types. This calculation can be over-ridden
      by entering a dollar value at individual structures. At the
      structure level, if the contents value is left blank (undefined),
      the occupancy code ratio is used to compute contents value
      from the structure value. If using direct depth-dollar damage
      functions, the contents value is not sampled because it is built
      into the uncertainty of the damage function. The uncertainty
      parameters are entered in the percent of contents-to-structure
      value ratio. The occupancy code for this example has a ratio of
      50% for contents-to-structure value ratio. For structure R003

(contents value = $100,000 times 50% = $50,000; occupancy code has a contents-to-structure value ratio error of 20%) a simulation error of one standard deviation would result in a sample contents value of $60,000 (error = $50,000 * (.5 +.5 * .2 * 1 std.dev.)). The use of uncertainty in percent allows structures of different content value to use the same occupancy type and still maintain reasonable errors about the median value. For example, a $200,000 house using the same example occupancy type would have a computed standard deviation of error of $20,000.

(12) Sample other value.
      Other value is sampled in the same fashion as the contents.

(13) Adjust values for price index
      The price index is entered as a global value and the price index may also be entered by damage category and it will override the global value. If left blank (undefined) the global study price index is used. The price index is simply multiplied by the structure, contents, and other values to obtain updated values for calculation purposes. The values in the database are not changed. For this example, the price index is 1.0 and the value for structure R003 is $100k * 1.0 or $100k (no error in structure value). During Monte-Carlo simulation, the price index is multiplied by the values with sampling error.

(14) Compute depth of flooding (aggregation stage minus sample first floor stage).
      The assumed (aggregation) stages computed above and the sampled first floor stage are used to determine the depth of flooding. For the example structure R003, the aggregation stage of 236.0 at the index location translates into a stage of 269.6 at the structure. If the sampled first floor stage is 252.3, the depth of flooding is 17.3 feet (first floor stage without error is 252.0 feet and with a one standard deviation of error is 252.3 feet).

(15) Sample structure damage.
      The sampled structure damage is computed from the sampled depth of flooding, and the sampled depth-damage function. The sampled percent structure damage is computed using the depth of flooding (17.3 feet) from Step 14 and the depth-percent damage function with uncertainty from structure occupancy type **SF OS NB**. The resulting percent structure damage for a sampled depth of 17.3 feet is 74.6 percent (un-sampled damage function) or 78.3 percent (sampled one standard deviation away from the median damage). FDA does not extrapolate depth-damage functions for depths beyond the defined depth range.

For this example of structure R003 using the sampled first floor stage (252.3), the sampled structure value ($110,000), and the sampled depth-percent damage function (78.3 percent damage), the structure damage is computed as:

$$\$110,000 * 78.3\% = \$86,130.$$

This can be compared to the same calculation of structure damage without uncertainty which was $75,200. Obviously, it is very rare that the sampled parameters would always be +1 standard deviation away from the median.

The procedure for sampling structures using direct depth-dollar damage functions is the same as for with indirect depth-damage functions with the exception that damage is computed directly from sampled depth and sampled direct depth-damage functions.

(16) Sample contents damage.
        The sampled contents damage is computed in a manner similar to that for structure damage.

(17) Sample other damage.
        The sampled other damage is computed in a manner similar to that for structure damage.

(18) Compute statistics for this aggregation stage and simulation.
        The statistics for the current aggregation stage for all simulations are computed and stored in memory before the aggregation stage is decreased for the next simulations.

(19) Accumulate the damage for structure, contents and other
        The structure, contents, and other damage is accumulated in memory for the selected stream, damage reach, and damage category.

(20) Write detailed information to ASCII text files.
        When all simulations are completed for the current structure, FDA accumulates the current results in memory and writes various levels of calculation results to text files *FDA_SDmg.out* (stage-depth-damage by structure and by damage reach/damage category), *FDA_StrucDetail.out* (individual structure results in a tab-delimited text file suitable for import), *FDA_SDev.out* (individual structure Monte-Carlo simulation results), and *FDA_SdErrors.out* (structure data errors). These files are described in later sections.

(21) Store results in the database.
      When all calculations are complete, the results are stored in the
      database for the calculation plan and analysis year and are
      stored separately for each stream, damage reach, damage
      category, and structure occupancy type (structure, contents,
      other, and total). The EAD calculations utilize only the total
      damage for each damage category - not the individual structure,
      contents and other damage functions.

E.6   Aggregating the Stage-Damage Functions to the Index Location

The process of using either the eight water surface profiles or the SID
reference flood water surface profile has been described earlier. Since the
calculations are done at each structure at the aggregation stages, the results
(both damage as well as statistics for uncertainty calculations) are easily
accumulated to the index location. Table E.12 (page E-30) displays the
total simulated damage for reach SC 2R. It includes aggregated damage
for the three residential structures. Damage categories Commercial,
Industrial, and Public do not have damage since only residential structures
have been entered in this reach.

Table E.12
Total Stage-Aggregated Damage,
Damage Reach SC 2R

	Stage	Commercial	Industrial	Public	SF Residential
Total Aggregated Damage Matrix.					
Stream: Sliver Creek					
Reach: SC 2R					
1	204	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	206	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	208	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	210	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	212	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	214	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	216	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	218	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	220	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	222	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	224	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	226	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.04
13	228	0.00	0.00	0.00	20.78
14	230	0.00	0.00	0.00	100.92
15	232	0.00	0.00	0.00	180.52
16	234	0.00	0.00	0.00	219.37
17	236	0.00	0.00	0.00	259.18
18	238	0.00	0.00	0.00	295.81
19	240	0.00	0.00	0.00	322.66
20	242	0.00	0.00	0.00	342.96
21	244	0.00	0.00	0.00	360.14
22	246	0.00	0.00	0.00	372.30
23	248	0.00	0.00	0.00	381.77
24	250	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.38
25	252	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.55
26	254	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.55
27	256	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.55
28	258	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.55
29	260	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.55
30	262	0.00	0.00	0.00	386.55

Appendix F

Stage-Damage Text Output Files

F.1   General

This Appendix describes the various ASCII delimited files that are written outside of HEC-FDA. Some of these output files are generated only if requested by you. By default, data is written in a tab-delimited format and the files can be easily imported into other software programs. The stage-damage results and diagnostic information are written to the following output files:

- ***FDA_SDmg.out*** contains stage-damage functions by damage reach, damage category, and optionally by structure. This is often referred to as the **Trace Output** file (see Section F.2**).**

- ***FDA_SdErrors.out*** contains structure data validation information (see Section F.3, page F-7). This file lists optionally each structure and also summary information. The output indicates invalid data (such as unknown damage reach, damage category, etc.) as well as structures that were not included in the calculations (structure is out of the flood plain; was placed in service after the current calculation year).

- ***FDA_StrucDetail.out*** contains detailed structure information including all of the structure's data (first floor stage, structure value, etc.) as well as damage computed for each of the water surface profile probabilities. **The damage is computed without uncertainty and does not reflect damage reduction due to levees which is computed during the expected annual damage simulation.** This is often referred to as the **Structural Details** file (see Section F.5, page F-12).

- ***FDA_SDev.out*** contains detailed results by structure of the Monte-Carlo simulations for stage-damage. This is often referred to as the **Standard Deviation Trace** file (see Section F.4, page F-11).

F.2   FDA_SDmg.out

FDA_SDmg.out contains stage-damage functions by damage reach, damage category, and optionally by structure and is often referred to as the **Trace Output** file**.**

F.2.1 Basic Output

The output displayed in the *FDA_SDmg.out* file is controlled by a user defined trace level. In Figure F.1, the basic output is the location of the *FDA_SDmg.out* file, time of creation, study name, study description, location of study, plan, and analysis year. From then on the file is broken up into tables; information in the tables is determined by the trace level that is set.

File S:\Appendices_Staging\BearTrngSdErrors\FDA_SDmg.out opened on Thu Oct 27 11:40:52 2005									
Study:	Bear Creek Example Errors								
Description:	S. Fork Bear & Buechel Branch								
Pathname:	S:\Appendices_Staging\BearTrngSdErrors								
Plan:	Without								
Year:	2009								
Determine Scaling for all reaches (4) Using Frequency & Rating Functions.									
Stream	Reach	Obs Min Stage	Obs Max Stage	Min Num Ords	Max Num Ords	Comp Num Ords	Comp Min Stage	Comp Max Stage	Comp Interval Stage
Buechel Branch	BB-4	488.23	496.95	20	30	20	488.0	497.5	0.5
Buechel Branch	BB-5	494.99	503.51	20	30	20	494.5	504.0	0.5
S Fork Bear	SF-8	463.04	477.76	20	30	20	463.0	482.0	1.0
S Fork Bear	SF-9	473.39	485.19	20	30	26	473.0	485.5	0.5

Figure F.1 Trace Output File (*FDA_SDmg.ou*t)

F.2.2 Trace Level Less than Five

Summary Output for Component

The first set of tables in *FDA_SDmg.out* (see Figure F.2, page F-3) are the stage-aggregated damage functions reported by stream and damage reach and does not include the computed standard deviation of error in damage. There are four tables associated with this information and are broken out by Structure, Content, Other and Total.

Summary Output for Component with Uncertainty Error

The second set of tables available in *FDA_SDmg.out* (see Figure F.3, page F-5) are the stage-aggregated damage functions by stream, damage reach, and damage category. These functions include the computed standard deviation of error and are broken out by Structure, Content, Other, and Total.

```
Structure Aggregated Damage Matrix.
Stream:   S Fork Bear
Reach:    SF-9
```

	Stage	APT	AUTO	COMM	PUB	RES
1	473.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	473.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	474.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	474.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	475.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	476.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	476.50	10.75	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	477.00	46.61	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	477.50	84.60	1.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	478.00	166.31	4.94	0.00	0.00	2.98
12	478.50	236.65	10.84	0.00	0.00	20.80
13	479.00	309.97	17.64	0.00	0.00	52.92
14	479.50	397.69	35.32	0.09	0.00	83.96
15	480.00	529.52	61.56	1.07	0.00	118.10
16	480.50	679.04	96.84	3.54	0.00	155.17
17	481.00	817.72	152.69	8.95	0.00	211.71
18	481.50	992.09	224.12	66.75	0.00	290.73
19	482.00	1155.44	278.29	135.16	0.00	349.74
20	482.50	1303.29	308.03	201.57	0.00	402.93
21	483.00	1465.72	327.71	293.71	0.00	471.16
22	483.50	1632.64	347.23	400.76	0.00	549.22
23	484.00	1796.49	365.86	483.86	0.98	615.82
24	484.50	1952.49	373.49	533.89	11.23	671.57
25	485.00	2106.32	373.69	582.15	27.62	735.54
26	485.50	2265.40	373.69	629.69	38.31	812.28

```
Content Aggregated Damage Matrix.
Stream:   S Fork Bear
Reach:    SF-9
```

	Stage	APT	AUTO	COMM	PUB	RES
1	473.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	473.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	474.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	474.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	475.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	476.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	476.50	5.77	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	477.00	25.55	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	477.50	49.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	478.00	97.68	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.80
12	478.50	140.74	0.00	0.00	0.00	7.31
13	479.00	188.54	0.00	0.00	0.00	21.84
14	479.50	242.58	0.00	7.93	0.00	40.34
15	480.00	313.06	0.00	97.71	0.00	66.18
16	480.50	395.02	0.00	312.34	0.00	95.71
17	481.00	477.84	0.00	1098.04	0.00	130.76
18	481.50	582.32	0.00	1833.88	0.00	171.92
19	482.00	679.55	0.00	2638.34	0.00	206.86
20	482.50	771.07	0.00	3558.72	0.00	244.23
21	483.00	868.61	0.00	4335.69	0.00	287.48
22	483.50	968.66	0.00	5253.52	0.00	330.49
23	484.00	1066.86	0.00	6038.74	9.07	368.08
24	484.50	1157.48	0.00	6527.55	59.96	406.17
25	485.00	1247.41	0.00	6786.20	113.79	446.23
26	485.50	1346.01	0.00	6998.11	151.09	483.84

Figure F.2 *FDA_SDmg.out* – Stage-Aggregated Damage by Category

```
Other Aggregated Damage Matrix.
Stream:   S Fork Bear
Reach:    SF-9
```

	Stage	APT	AUTO	COMM	PUB	RES
1	473.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	473.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	474.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	474.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	475.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	476.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	476.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	477.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	477.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	478.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	478.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	479.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
14	479.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
15	480.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	480.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
17	481.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
18	481.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
19	482.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
20	482.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
21	483.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
22	483.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
23	484.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
24	484.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
25	485.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
26	485.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

```
Total Aggregated Damage Matrix.
Stream:   S Fork Bear
Reach:    SF-9
```

	Stage	APT	AUTO	COMM	PUB	RES
1	473.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	473.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	474.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	474.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	475.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	475.50	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	476.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	476.50	16.52	0.01	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	477.00	72.16	0.37	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	477.50	134.14	1.55	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	478.00	263.99	4.94	0.00	0.00	3.78
12	478.50	377.39	10.84	0.00	0.00	28.11
13	479.00	498.51	17.64	0.00	0.00	74.76
14	479.50	640.28	35.32	8.02	0.00	124.30
15	480.00	842.58	61.56	98.78	0.00	184.27
16	480.50	1074.06	96.84	315.89	0.00	250.88
17	481.00	1295.57	152.69	1106.98	0.00	342.48
18	481.50	1574.41	224.12	1900.63	0.00	462.65
19	482.00	1834.99	278.29	2773.50	0.00	556.60
20	482.50	2074.36	308.03	3760.28	0.00	647.17
21	483.00	2334.32	327.71	4629.39	0.00	758.64
22	483.50	2601.29	347.23	5654.29	0.00	879.71
23	484.00	2863.35	365.86	6522.60	10.05	983.90
24	484.50	3109.97	373.49	7061.44	71.19	1077.74
25	485.00	3353.73	373.69	7368.35	141.41	1181.77
26	485.50	3611.41	373.69	7627.80	189.40	1296.12

Figure F.2 *FDA_SDmg.out* – Stage-Aggregated Damage by Category (continued)

```
Stored Stage-Damage-Uncertainty Function      Stored Stage-Damage-Uncertainty Function
Plan       Without                            Plan       Without
Year          2009                            Year          2009
Stream     S Fork Bear                        Stream     S Fork Bear
Reach      SF-9                               Reach      SF-9
Damage Cat APT                                Damage Cat APT
Component  Structure                          Component  Content
```

Index	Stage	Damage	Std Dev		Index	Stage	Damage	Std Dev
1	473.00	0.00	0.00		1	473.00	0.00	0.00
2	473.50	0.00	0.00		2	473.50	0.00	0.00
3	474.00	0.00	0.00		3	474.00	0.00	0.00
4	474.50	0.00	0.00		4	474.50	0.00	0.00
5	475.00	0.00	0.00		5	475.00	0.00	0.00
6	475.50	0.00	0.00		6	475.50	0.00	0.00
7	476.00	0.00	0.00		7	476.00	0.00	0.00
8	476.50	10.75	11.18		8	476.50	5.77	6.38
9	477.00	46.61	9.62		9	477.00	25.55	7.59
10	477.50	84.60	14.16		10	477.50	49.54	10.43
11	478.00	166.31	15.68		11	478.00	97.68	14.19
12	478.50	236.65	13.77		12	478.50	140.74	16.05
13	479.00	309.97	12.60		13	479.00	188.54	18.44
14	479.50	397.69	13.19		14	479.50	242.58	20.90
15	480.00	529.52	21.79		15	480.00	313.06	24.75
16	480.50	679.04	17.08		16	480.50	395.02	27.04
17	481.00	817.72	20.95		17	481.00	477.84	31.19
18	481.50	992.09	24.05		18	481.50	582.32	36.12
19	482.00	1155.44	21.87		19	482.00	679.55	40.47
20	482.50	1303.29	24.34		20	482.50	771.07	45.24
21	483.00	1465.72	28.74		21	483.00	868.61	50.55
22	483.50	1632.64	29.01		22	483.50	968.66	55.34
23	484.00	1796.49	31.29		23	484.00	1066.86	60.43
24	484.50	1952.49	33.32		24	484.50	1157.48	65.25
25	485.00	2106.32	35.73		25	485.00	1247.41	70.17
26	485.50	2265.40	38.26		26	485.50	1346.01	75.58

```
Stored Stage-Damage-Uncertainty Function      Stored Stage-Damage-Uncertainty Function
Plan       Without                            Plan       Without
Year          2009                            Year          2009
Stream     S Fork Bear                        Stream     S Fork Bear
Reach      SF-9                               Reach      SF-9
Damage Cat APT                                Damage Cat APT
Component  Other                              Component  Total
```

Index	Stage	Damage	Std Dev		Index	Stage	Damage	Std Dev
1	473.00	0.00	0.00		1	473.00	0.00	0.00
2	473.50	0.00	0.00		2	473.50	0.00	0.00
3	474.00	0.00	0.00		3	474.00	0.00	0.00
4	474.50	0.00	0.00		4	474.50	0.00	0.00
5	475.00	0.00	0.00		5	475.00	0.00	0.00
6	475.50	0.00	0.00		6	475.50	0.00	0.00
7	476.00	0.00	0.00		7	476.00	0.00	0.00
8	476.50	0.00	0.00		8	476.50	16.52	17.12
9	477.00	0.00	0.00		9	477.00	72.16	15.66
10	477.50	0.00	0.00		10	477.50	134.14	22.12
11	478.00	0.00	0.00		11	478.00	263.99	26.04
12	478.50	0.00	0.00		12	478.50	377.39	24.41
13	479.00	0.00	0.00		13	479.00	498.51	24.58
14	479.50	0.00	0.00		14	479.50	640.28	26.31
15	480.00	0.00	0.00		15	480.00	842.58	37.44
16	480.50	0.00	0.00		16	480.50	1074.06	33.63
17	481.00	0.00	0.00		17	481.00	1295.57	40.36
18	481.50	0.00	0.00		18	481.50	1574.41	46.36
19	482.00	0.00	0.00		19	482.00	1834.99	46.95
20	482.50	0.00	0.00		20	482.50	2074.36	52.29
21	483.00	0.00	0.00		21	483.00	2334.32	60.25
22	483.50	0.00	0.00		22	483.50	2601.29	63.51
23	484.00	0.00	0.00		23	484.00	2863.35	69.03
24	484.50	0.00	0.00		24	484.50	3109.97	74.08
25	485.00	0.00	0.00		25	485.00	3353.73	79.64
26	485.50	0.00	0.00		26	485.50	3611.41	85.68

Figure F.3 *FDA_SDmg.out* – Stage-Aggregated Damage by Category with Uncertainty

F.2.3 Trace Level Greater than Four

When the trace level is set to five or greater, FDA adds additional information by structure to *FDA_SDmg.out* file, which is displayed in Figure F.4.

```
Structure: 3192
Stream: Buechel Branch      Reach: BB-4     Category: APT
Address: 1-24 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT    City:              State:

Structure: 3193
Stream: Buechel Branch      Reach: BB-4     Category: APT
Address: 105-120 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK     City:              State:

Structure: 3194
Stream: Buechel Branch      Reach: BB-4     Category: APT
Address: 89-104 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK AP   City:              State:

Structure: 3195
Stream: Buechel Branch      Reach: BB-4     Category: APT
Address: 25-49 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT   City:              State:
```

Figure F.4 *FDA_SDmg.out* – Trace Level Greater than Four

F.2.4 Trace Level Greater than Nine

When the trace level is set to ten or greater, detailed information about each structure is provided. For example, in Figure F.5, detailed structure information for **Structure 399** is displayed. Information includes structure name, stream name, damage reach name, damage category name,

```
Structure:      399
Stream:   S Fork Bear
Reach:    SF-8
Category: COMM
Address:  BASHFORD MANOR MALL
City:
State:
```

Index	WS Elev @ Index	WS Elev @ Structure	Nominal Depth	Mean Depth	Structure Damage	Content Damage	Other Damage	Total Damage
1	463.00	464.77	-12.22	-12.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
2	464.00	465.77	-11.22	-11.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
3	465.00	466.77	-10.22	-10.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
4	466.00	467.77	-9.22	-9.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
5	467.00	468.77	-8.22	-8.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
6	468.00	469.77	-7.22	-7.22	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
7	469.00	470.67	-6.32	-6.32	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
8	470.00	471.51	-5.48	-5.48	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
9	471.00	472.39	-4.60	-4.60	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
10	472.00	473.27	-3.72	-3.72	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
11	473.00	474.32	-2.67	-2.69	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
12	474.00	475.27	-1.72	-1.75	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
13	475.00	476.11	-0.88	-0.90	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
14	476.00	476.89	-0.10	-0.13	73.06	186.22	0.00	259.28
15	477.00	477.71	0.72	0.70	1,567.31	4,454.61	0.00	6,021.92
16	478.00	478.71	1.72	1.70	4,291.75	10,163.09	0.00	14,454.84
17	479.00	479.71	2.72	2.70	5,201.72	19,665.99	0.00	24,867.71
18	480.00	480.71	3.72	3.70	5,211.95	28,819.37	0.00	34,031.32
19	481.00	481.71	4.72	4.70	6,243.18	33,074.97	0.00	39,318.15
20	482.00	482.71	5.72	5.70	7,734.50	35,066.55	0.00	42,801.05

Figure F.5 Example Structure Summary Validation Output

address, water surface elevation at index location, water surface elevation at structure, and much more. The information includes **Nominal Depth** which is the depth of assumed flooding without uncertainty. Nominal depth corresponds to the "aggregation stages", where are shown for both the index location and at the structure as computed using either the water surface profiles or the SID reference flood water surface profile.

F.3   FDA_SdErrors.out

FDA_SdErrors.out contains structure data validation information.   This file lists optionally each structure and also summary information. The output indicates invalid data (such as unknown damage reach, damage category, etc.) as well as structures that were not included in the calculations (structure is out of the flood plain; was placed in service after the current calculation year, etc.).

F.3.1 Summary Validation Output

The information displayed in the *FDA_SdErrors.out* file is the errors, warnings, and flags generated from processing the structure inventory. In Figure F.6, the information provided includes location of the *FDA_SdErrors.out* file, time of creation, study name, study description, and location of study, plan, analysis year, and a summary of the errors that occurred when validating the structure data.

```
File S:\Appendices_Staging\BearTrngSdErrors\FDA_SdErrors.out opened on Thu Oct 27 11:40:52 20

Study:      Bear Creek Example Errors
Description S. Fork Bear & Buechel Branch
Pathname:   S:\Appendices_Staging\BearTrngSdErrors
Number of Structures Rejected Due To Errors In Stage-Damage Calculations
Numbers are Cumulative for Selected Plan & Year
Plan:       Without
Year:        2009
```

Total Struc		Total Bad Data	Total Rejected	Struc Not Ret	Strm Bad	Rch Bad	Cat Bad	Occ Code Bad	Occ Data Bad	FF Stage Undef	AggDF Not Ret	WSP Not Found	Stations Bad	Struc Too New	OutOf FPlain	Used SID Rch	Used SID Net Flood	No Zero Damg	No Occ Ord	Miss Occ Ord	Dcreas Occ Ord
243		10	12	0	0	3	0	0	5	2	0	0	1	1	1	2	1	1	1	0	0

Figure F.6 *FDA_SdErros.out* – Trace Level Greater than Nine

Example errors include undefined first floor stage, undefined damage category, bad occupancy type data, and more. An example warning is flagging structures that are "out of the floodplain" which indicates that the first floor stage is so high that the structure will not contribute any damage and is not used in the calculations. For example, there are a total of 243 structures of which twelve were rejected from the calculations. Of those twelve, ten structures had bad data.

F.3.2 Trace Level Five or Greater

Figures F.7 through F.9 (page F-8) display part of the structure information that is available in *FDA_SdErrors. out*. When the trace level is five or greater, information is provided by structure. With this option, *FDA_SdErrors.out* can become quite large depending on the size of the structure inventory. One piece of information that is provided are IDs. These IDs are generated by FDA when certain components (i.e., stream,

Cum Num Struc	Struc Name	Data Not Valid	Comp Not Poss	Struc Not Retrv	Strm Not Valid	Rch Not Valid	Cat Not Valid	Occ Not Valid	Occ Data Bad	FF Stage Bad	AggDF Not Valid	AggDF Not Scaled	WSP Not Found	Stations Bad	Struc Too New	Struc OutOf FPlain	SID Rch Name Used	SID Ref Flood Used	Stream Name	Stream ID	Curr Reach Name	Curr Rch ID	Calculated Reach Name	Calc Rch ID	SID Reach Name	SID Rch ID
25	R 446 a	x	x						x										S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
26	R 446 b	x	x						x										S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
27	R 446 c																	x	S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64		0	SF-8	64
28	R 446 d	x	x							x									S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
29	R 446 e																		S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
30	R 446 f	x	x		x														S Fork Bear	3		-901		0		-901
31	R 446 g	x	x												x			x	S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64		0	SF-8	64
32	R 446 h		x														x		S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
33	R 446 i		x													x			S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
34	R 446 j																		S Fork Bear	3	SF-9	65	SF-9	65	SF-8	64
35	R 446 k	x	x						x										S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64
36	R 446 l	x	x						x										S Fork Bear	3	SF-8	64	SF-8	64	SF-8	64

Figure F.7 Example Structure Computation Errors, Frame 1

Cum Num Struc	Struc Name	Data Not Valid	Comp Not Poss	Struc Not Retrv	Strm Not Valid	Rch Not Valid	Cat Not Valid	Occ Not Valid	Occ Data Bad	FF Stage Bad	AggDF Not Valid	AggDF Not Scaled	WSP Not Found	Stations Bad	Struc Too New	Struc OutOf FPlain	SID Rch Name Used	SID Ref Flood Used	Category Name	Cat ID	Occ Code Name	Occ Code ID	Zero Damg Occ Data	Structure Occ Data	Content Occ Data	Other Occ Data	Uses FF Stage	1st Floor Stage
25	R 446 a	x	x						x										RES	5	Bob 2 Ds	1156	5 Dd	0		0	1	478.50
26	R 446 b	x	x						x										RES	5	Bob 2 D$	1158	5 $d	0		0	1	478.50
27	R 446 c																	x	RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	478.50
28	R 446 d	x	x							x									RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	0	-901.00
29	R 446 e																		RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	478.50
30	R 446 f	x	x		x														RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	478.50
31	R 446 g	x	x												x			x	RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	478.50
32	R 446 h		x														x		RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	600.00
33	R 446 i		x													x			RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	478.50
34	R 446 j																		RES	5	1BS_1BC	44		18	19	0	1	478.50
35	R 446 k	x	x						x										RES	5	Bob 3 No Ord	1168		0	0	0	1	478.50
36	R 446 l	x	x						x										RES	5	Bob 4 No ZD	1190	x	4	0	0	1	478.50

Figure F.8 Example Structure Computations Errors, Frame 2

Cum Num Struc	Struc Name	Data Not Valid	Comp Not Poss	Struc Not Retrv	Strm Not Valid	Rch Not Valid	Cat Not Valid	Occ Not Valid	Occ Data Bad	FF Stage Bad	AggDF Not Valid	AggDF Not Scaled	WSP Not Found	Stations Bad	Struc Too New	Struc OutOf FPlain	SID Rch Name Used	SID Ref Flood Used	Ground Stage	Foundation Height	Year Struc Built	Struc Station	WSP Starting Station	Reach Index Station	WSP Ending Station	Struc Stage Zero Damg	Max Tab Stage At Struct
25	R 446 a	x	x						x										-901.00	-901.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	-901.00	-901.00
26	R 446 b	x	x						x										-901.00	-901.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	-901.00	-901.00
27	R 446 c																	x	-901.00	-901.00	1900	11.000	0.800	9.253	13.380	474.40	495.62
28	R 446 d	x	x							x									-901.00	0.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	-901.00	-901.00
29	R 446 e																		-901.00	-901.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	474.40	481.79
30	R 446 f	x	x		x														-901.00	-901.00	1900	500.000	0.800	-901.00	13.380	-901.00	-901.00
31	R 446 g	x	x												x			x	-901.00	-901.00	1900	500.000	0.800	9.253	13.380	-901.00	-901.00
32	R 446 h		x														x		-901.00	-901.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	595.90	481.79
33	R 446 i		x													x			-901.00	-901.00	2030	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	474.40	481.79
34	R 446 j																		-901.00	-901.00	1900	10.000	0.800	10.124	13.380	474.40	483.64
35	R 446 k	x	x						x										-901.00	-901.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	-901.00	-901.00
36	R 446 l	x	x						x										-901.00	-901.00	1900	9.150	0.800	9.253	13.380	-901.00	-901.00

Figure F.9 Example Structure Computations Errors, Frame 3

damage reach, damagee category, etc.) are created. These IDs are an easy way for FDA to relate data and are not visible in the graphical user interface (GUI). FDA will indicate bad data if an ID does not exist, for example, a structure could reference a structure occupancy type that has been deleted. Since the structure occupancy type ID has been deleted, but the structure inventory still references that ID, FDA will indicate bad data in *FDA_SdErrors.out*.

For example, in Figures F.7 through F.9, in FDA a stage-aggregated damage compuation was done for the "Without" plan and analysis year 2009. The options **Use SID Reaches** and **Use SID Ref Flood** were not used during this comptuation. There are two damage reaches, *SF-8* (stations 9.020 – 9.960) and *SF-9* (stations 9.960 – 10.363), with water surface profiles being calculated at stations 0.800 through 13.380.

- In Figure F.7 (page F-8) information provided for each structure is the stream name; current damage reach name (which is the damage reach where a structure's damage is aggregated, and it either the calculated damage reach name or the SID reach name); the calculated damage area name (calculated by FDA based on the stream name, stationing, and back location of the structure), the SID reach name (Damage reach name entered by the user for a structure), and any error or warnings that occurred during the stage-aggregated damage calculation.

- For **Structure 446a**, a bad structure occupancy type had been detected. In Figure F.8 (page F-8), the column **Occ Data Bad** is checked, and in the column **Structure Occ Data** the characters *5 Dd* displayed. These characters indicate that there are five (5) ordinates in the structure depth-damage function, and that the depth (D) decreases (d) somewhere in the function rather than increasing.

- For **Structure 466b** a bad structure occupancy type has been detected. In Figure F.6 (page F-7), the column **Occ Data Bad** is checked and in the column **Structure Occ Data** the characters *5 $d* are displayed. These characters indicate that there are five (5) ordinates in the structure depth-damage function, and that the damage ($) decreases (d) somewhere in the function rather than increasing.

- **Structure 446c** provides an example of a structure that is located outside the range of the damage reaches. In Figure F.7 (page F-8), the column **SID Rch Name Used** is checked and the column **Calculated Reach Name** is blank. The structure is located at station 11.00 which is outside the range of the stationing provided for the two damage reaches, but is within the range of stationing for the water surface profiles. Since a damage reach name was entered for the SID reach name, FDA will use this as the damage reach for **Structure 446c**.

- A bad first floor stage has been detected for **Structure 446d**. In Figure F.8 (page F-8) the column **FF Stage Bad** has been checked, and in column **1ˢᵗ Floor Stage** the value -901.00 has been entered by FDA, indicating that the first floor stage was not defined. -901.00 is used by FDA to indicate that a number has not been defined and usually means that a required field was not entered by the user. It can also mean that a value could not be calculated and is undefined.

- **Structure 446f** provides an example of an invalid damage reach. In Figure F.7 (page F-8), the column **Rch Not Valid** is checked,

which indicates that FDA did not find or was unable to calculate a valid damage reach for **Structure 446f**. A zero (0) appears in the column **Calc Rch ID**, which means FDA, was unable to calculate a damage reach since the station location (500.00) of the structure is outside the range of the damage reaches. A -901 appears in the **SID Rch ID** column, which indicates that the user did not enter a damage reach name.

- Now, **Structure 446g** is similar to **Structure 446f** in that the station location of the structure is bad, but for this structure a **SID Reach Name** has been provided by the user. In Figure F.7 (page F-8), for **Structure 446g** the column **SID Rch Name Used** is checked, therefore, since the structure's station (500.00) is outside of the range of stations for the water surface profiles (0.800 – 13.380) and FDA can't compute the damage reach, the **SID Reach Name** will be used.

- **Structure 446h** has been tagged "out of the floodplain" and will not be included in the stage aggregated damage calculation. In Figure F.8 (page F-8), in column **1ˢᵗ Floor Stage**, **Structure 446h** has a first floor stage of 600.00. In Figure F.9 (page F-8), for **Structure 446h**, column **Struc Stage Zero Damg** has a value of 595.90 for the zero damage point. In the column **Max Tab Stage at Struct**, a value of 481.79 is indicated for the highest tabulation stage for aggregating damages for **Structure 446h**. This value is far below the zero damage point; therefore, the structure is tagged "out of the floodplain".

- The next structure, **446j**, does not have any errors, but has two different damage reach names. The calculated damage reach names is *SF-9* (see Figure F.7, page F-8; column **Calculated Reach Name**), while the **SID Reach Name** provided by the user is *SF-8* (see Figure F.7, page F-8; column **SID Reach Name**). For this example, remember we are not using the option **Use SID Reaches**, so FDA will use the calculated damage reach name when doing the stage-aggregated damage calculation.

- **Structure 446k** has a bad structure occupancy type. In Figure F.8 (page F-8), column **Structure Occ Data**, **Content Occ Data**, and **Other Occ Data** all contain a value of zero (0), which indicates there are no ordinates in the depth-damage functions for this structure. Therefore, there is no damage associated with this structure.

- The last structure we will look at in this example is **Structure 446l**, which also has a bad structure occupancy type. In Figure F.8 (page F-8), the column **Zero Damage Occ Data** is checked. This

indicates that there is not a zero damage point in one or more of the depth-damage functions. Each depth-damage function should have some depth at which there is no damage.

F.4   FDA_SDev.out

FDA_SDev.out contains detailed results by structure of the Monte-Carlo simulations for stage-damage and is often referred to as the **Standard Deviation Trace** file.

Trace Level Greater than Forty-Nine

When the trace level is set at fifty (50) or greater, detailed Monte-Carlo simulation results by structure are written to *FDA_SDev.out*. Figure F.10 displays the information for a structure; information includes study name, description of the study, location of the study, plan name, analysis year,

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Plan:	Without														
Year:	2009														
Structure:	399														
Stream:	S Fork Bear														
Reach:	SF-8														
Category:	COMM														
Address:	BASHFORD MANOR MALL														
City:															
State:															
Monte Carlo Simulation Results for First Floor Elevation and Values															
		Mean	StdDev		Mean	StdDev	Num	Mean	StdDev		Mean	StdDev			StdDev	
	Nominal 1st	1stFloor	1stFloor	Num of	Struct	Struct	of	Content	Content	Num of	Other	Other	Num of	Mean total	Total	Num of
Index	Floor Elev	Elev	Elev	Simul	Value	Value	Simul	Value	Value	Simul	Value	Value	Simul	Value	Value	Simul
1	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
2	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
3	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
4	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
5	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
6	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
7	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
8	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
9	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
10	476.99	0.00	0.000	0	0.0	0.0	0	0.0	0.0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0
11	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
12	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
13	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
14	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
15	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
16	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
17	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
18	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
19	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100
20	476.99	477.01	0.206	100	74310.2	7382.4	100	35618.5	12193.5	100	0	0	100	109928.8	14509.2	100

Figure F.10 Example Detailed Monte-Carlo Simulation Results for One Structure

structure name, stream name, and more. Results that include "mean" are the computed means after the stage aggregated damage calculation is finished. Currently, FDA resets the "seed" number to the initial default value for every stage ordinate, which creates a bias in the results. If the seed number were not reset, the computed damage does not always increase with increasing stages.

F.5   FDA_StrucDetail.out

FDA_StrucDetail.out contains detailed structure information including all of the structure's data (first floor stage, structure value, etc.) as well as damage computed for each of the water surface profile probabilities. **The damage is computed without uncertainty and does not reflect damage reduction due to levees which is computed during the expected annual damage simulation.** This file is often referred to as the **Structural Details** file.

Detailed Structure Output

The *FDA_StrucDetail.out* file contains detailed information about the structure inventory. Figure F.11, which is split into several frames, displays the information available from *FDA_StrucDetail.out*.

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Plan:	Without									
Year:	2008									
Struc_Name	Stream_Name		Station	Bank	Year	Cat_Name	Occ_Name	Street	City	State	Zip
Structure Name	Stream Name	Reach Name	Station	Bank	Year In Service	Damage Category	Occupancy Type	Street	City	State	Zip
3192	Buechel Branch	BB-4	500.000	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	1-24 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT			
3193	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.790	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	105-120 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK			
3194	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.820	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	89-104 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK AP			
3195	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.800	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	25-49 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT			
3196	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.790	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	WILLOW BROOK APTS CLUBHOUSE			
3197	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.823	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	65-77 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT			
3198	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.840	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	49-56 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT			
3199	Buechel Branch	BB-4	1.835	Left	1900	APT	A2S_A2C_	57-65 BUECH BNK;WILLOW BROOK APT			
3215	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.055	Left	1900	COMM	13S_13C_	4133 BTOWN RD;CHAMPION WINDOWS			
3216	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.950	Left	1900	RES	2BS_2BC_	2209 FAIRLAND AV.			
3217	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.215	Left	1900	RES	1CS_1CC_	2222 FAIRLAND AV.			
3218	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.165	Left	1900	RES	1CS_1CC_	2220 FAIRLAND AV.			
3219	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.160	Left	1900	RES	1CS_1CC_	2220 FAIRLAND AV.			
3220	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.135	Left	1900	RES	1CS_1CC_	2216 FAIRLAND AV.			
3221	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.110	Left	1900	RES	2BS_2BC_	2212 FAIRLAND AV.			
3222	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.090	Left	1900	COMM	83S_83C_	FAIRLAND AV. storage whse.			
3223	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.130	Left	1900	RES	1CS_1CC_	FAIRLAND AV.; BI-30			
3224	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.135	Left	1900	RES	2BS_2BC_	2215 FAIRLAND AV.; BI-30			
3225	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.150	Left	1900	RES	2CS_2CC_	2217 FAIRLAND AV.; BI-30			
3226	Buechel Branch	BB-5	2.220	Left	1900	RES	2CS_2CC_	2224 FAIRLAND AV.; BI-30			

Figure F.11 Example of *FDA_StrucDetail.out* – Frame 1

Structure Name	Northing	Easting	Zone	Module	Structure Value in Database	Structure Value	Content Value in Database	Ratio Content / Structure Value in Database	Content Value	Ratio Content / Structure Value	Other Value in Database	Ratio Other / Structure Value in Database	Other Value
3192	0	0	1.75	Base	737.8	737.8	368.9	50.0	368.9	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3193	0	0	-901	Base	513.6	513.6	256.8	50.0	256.8	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3194	0	0	-901	Base	517.7	517.7	258.9	50.0	258.9	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3195	0	0	-901	Base	743.9	743.9	372.0	50.0	372.0	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3196	0	0	-901	Base	87.6	87.6	43.8	50.0	43.8	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3197	0	0	-901	Base	538.0	538.0	269.0	50.0	269.0	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3198	0	0	-901	Base	265.0	265.0	132.5	50.0	132.5	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3199	0	0	-901	Base	265.0	265.0	132.5	50.0	132.5	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3215	0	0	-901	Base	75.0	75.0	60.0	50.0	60.0	80.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3216	0	0	-901	Base	56.7	56.7	28.3	50.0	28.3	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3217	0	0	-901	Base	64.9	64.9	32.5	-901.0	32.5	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3218	0	0	-901	Base	77.3	77.3	38.6	-901.0	38.6	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3219	0	0	-901	Base	34.0	34.0	17.0	-901.0	17.0	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3220	0	0	-901	Base	62.8	62.8	31.4	-901.0	31.4	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3221	0	0	-901	Base	74.2	74.2	37.1	50.0	37.1	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3222	0	0	-901	Base	36.0	36.0	28.8	50.0	28.8	80.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3223	0	0	-901	Base	22.7	22.7	11.3	-901.0	11.3	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3224	0	0	-901	Base	54.6	54.6	27.3	50.0	27.3	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3225	0	0	-901	Base	26.8	26.8	13.4	50.0	13.4	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0
3226	0	0	-901	Base	44.3	44.3	22.2	50.0	22.2	50.0	-901.0	-901.0	0.0

Figure F.11 Example of *FDA_StrucDetail.out* – Frame 2

Structure Name	Ratio Other / Structure Value	Total Value	Number of Structures	First Floor Elevation	Ground Elevation	Foundation Height	Depth at Beginning Damage	Stage at Zero Damage	Depth at zero damage	SID Reach Name	SID Ref Flood Stage
3192	0.0	1106.7	1	492.3			-0.25	492.00	-0.25	BB-4	493.70
3193	0.0	770.4	1	492.3			-0.25	492.00	-0.25	BB-4	494.10
3194	0.0	776.6	1	492.5			-0.25	492.25	-0.25	BB-4	494.50
3195	0.0	1115.9	1	492.0			-0.20	491.80	-0.20	BB-4	494.30
3196	0.0	131.4	1	492.0			-0.01	491.99	-0.01	BB-4	494.10
3197	0.0	807.0	1	492.3			-0.25	492.00	-0.25	BB-4	494.50
3198	0.0	397.5	1	492.5			-0.25	492.25	-0.25	BB-4	494.70
3199	0.0	397.5	1	492.5			-0.25	492.25	-0.25	BB-4	494.70
3215	0.0	135.0	1	502.3			-0.01	502.30	0.00	BB-5	502.00
3216	0.0	85.0	1	505.0			-3.00	502.00	-3.00	BB-5	501.90
3217	0.0	97.3	1	504.3			-2.25	502.25	-2.00	BB-5	502.60
3218	0.0	115.9	1	501.5			-1.00	500.50	-1.00	BB-5	502.30
3219	0.0	51.0	1	500.0			-0.01	499.99	-0.01	BB-5	502.20
3220	0.0	94.2	1	502.3			-2.25	500.25	-2.00	BB-5	502.20
3221	0.0	111.2	1	507.0			-6.00	501.00	-6.00	BB-5	502.10
3222	0.0	64.8	1	500.2			-0.01	500.20	0.00	BB-5	502.10
3223	0.0	34.0	1	504.3			-2.25	502.25	-2.00	BB-5	502.20
3224	0.0	81.9	1	506.0			-4.00	502.00	-4.00	BB-5	502.20
3225	0.0	40.2	1	503.8			-1.25	502.50	-1.25	BB-5	502.20
3226	0.0	66.4	1	503.8			-1.25	502.50	-1.25	BB-5	502.60

Figure F.11 Example of FDA_StrucDetail.out – Frame 3

Structure Name	Stage at 0.5 Probability	Stage at 0.2 Probability	Stage at 0.1 Probability	Stage at 0.04 Probability	Stage at 0.02 Probability	Stage at 0.01 Probability	Stage at 0.004 Probability	Stage at 0.002 Probability	Depth at 0.5 Probability	Depth at 0.2 Probability
	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002	0.5	0.2
3192	491.19	491.92	492.53	492.92	493.40	493.71	494.11	494.44	-1.06	-0.33
3193	490.25	491.04	492.07	493.06	493.46	493.89	494.14	494.73	-2.00	-1.21
3194	490.81	491.59	492.51	493.38	493.78	494.23	494.49	495.13	-1.69	-0.91
3195	490.44	491.22	492.22	493.16	493.57	494.00	494.26	494.86	-1.56	-0.78
3196	490.25	491.04	492.07	493.06	493.46	493.89	494.14	494.73	-1.75	-0.96
3197	490.87	491.64	492.56	493.41	493.81	494.26	494.53	495.17	-1.38	-0.61
3198	491.19	491.95	492.81	493.59	493.99	494.45	494.73	495.39	-1.31	-0.55
3199	491.09	491.86	492.74	493.54	493.94	494.39	494.67	495.33	-1.41	-0.64
3215	497.23	499.56	501.30	501.58	501.73	501.92	502.03	502.32	-5.07	-2.74
3216	515.78	516.92	518.41	518.83	519.05	519.33	519.54	520.32	10.78	11.92
3217	498.94	500.17	501.49	501.86	502.09	502.40	502.58	503.06	-5.31	-4.08
3218	498.04	499.85	501.37	501.69	501.88	502.12	502.27	502.65	-3.46	-1.66
3219	497.97	499.83	501.36	501.68	501.86	502.10	502.25	502.62	-2.03	-0.17
3220	497.65	499.76	501.34	501.64	501.81	502.02	502.16	502.51	-4.60	-2.50
3221	497.54	499.73	501.32	501.61	501.78	501.99	502.11	502.43	-9.46	-7.27
3222	497.45	499.71	501.31	501.60	501.76	501.96	502.08	502.38	-2.75	-0.49
3223	497.63	499.75	501.33	501.63	501.80	502.02	502.15	502.49	-6.62	-4.50
3224	497.65	499.76	501.34	501.64	501.81	502.02	502.16	502.51	-8.35	-6.25
3225	497.82	499.79	501.35	501.66	501.84	502.06	502.21	502.57	-5.93	-3.96
3226	499.04	500.22	501.50	501.89	502.13	502.44	502.62	503.11	-4.71	-3.53

Figure F.11 Example of FDA_StrucDetail.out – Frame 4

Structure Name	Depth at 0.1 Probability	Depth at 0.04 Probability	Depth at 0.02 Probability	Depth at 0.01 Probability	Depth at 0.004 Probability	Depth at 0.002 Probability	Total Damage at 0.5 Probability	Total Damage at 0.2 Probability	Total Damage at 0.1 Probability	Total Damage at 0.04 Probability
	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04
3192	0.28	0.67	1.15	1.46	1.86	2.19	0.0	0.0	88.4	98.5
3193	-0.18	0.81	1.21	1.64	1.89	2.48	0.0	0.0	49.4	71.0
3194	0.01	0.88	1.28	1.73	1.99	2.63	0.0	0.0	57.2	72.9
3195	0.22	1.16	1.57	2.00	2.26	2.86	0.0	0.0	87.5	117.0
3196	0.07	1.06	1.46	1.89	2.14	2.73	0.0	0.0	9.8	13.1
3197	0.31	1.16	1.56	2.01	2.28	2.92	0.0	0.0	65.0	84.5
3198	0.31	1.09	1.49	1.95	2.23	2.89	0.0	0.0	32.1	40.3
3199	0.24	1.04	1.44	1.89	2.17	2.83	0.0	0.0	31.4	39.2
3215	-1.00	-0.72	-0.57	-0.38	-0.27	0.02	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3216	13.41	13.83	14.05	14.33	14.54	15.32	50.6	53.6	55.9	56.2
3217	-2.76	-2.39	-2.16	-1.85	-1.67	-1.19	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3218	-0.13	0.19	0.38	0.62	0.77	1.15	0.0	0.0	14.2	17.1
3219	1.36	1.68	1.86	2.10	2.25	2.62	0.0	0.0	10.8	12.3
3220	-0.91	-0.61	-0.45	-0.23	-0.09	0.26	0.0	0.0	1.7	5.5
3221	-5.68	-5.39	-5.22	-5.01	-4.89	-4.57	0.0	0.0	2.6	2.9
3222	1.11	1.40	1.56	1.76	1.88	2.18	0.0	0.0	12.1	14.8
3223	-2.92	-2.62	-2.45	-2.23	-2.10	-1.76	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3224	-4.66	-4.36	-4.20	-3.98	-3.84	-3.49	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3225	-2.40	-2.09	-1.91	-1.69	-1.54	-1.18	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3226	-2.25	-1.86	-1.62	-1.31	-1.13	-0.64	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Figure F.11 Example of FDA_StrucDetail.out – Frame 5

Structure Name	Total Damage at 0.02 Probability	Total Damage at 0.01 Probability	Total Damage at 0.004 Probability	Total Damage at 0.002 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.5 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.2 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.1 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.04 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.02 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.01 Probability
	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01
3192	115.3	132.4	154.7	172.8	0.0	0.0	55.8	61.5	70.8	80.0
3193	82.6	99.2	108.8	131.3	0.0	0.0	32.7	44.2	50.6	59.4
3194	85.8	103.2	113.7	138.2	0.0	0.0	36.4	45.3	52.3	61.6
3195	139.5	163.9	178.1	211.6	0.0	0.0	55.3	71.8	83.8	96.9
3196	15.7	18.6	20.2	24.0	0.0	0.0	6.2	8.1	9.5	11.0
3197	100.6	118.7	129.6	155.4	0.0	0.0	41.0	51.9	60.5	70.2
3198	48.1	57.2	62.9	76.1	0.0	0.0	20.2	24.8	29.0	33.9
3199	47.1	56.1	61.7	74.8	0.0	0.0	19.8	24.3	28.5	33.3
3215	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.7	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3216	56.4	56.4	56.4	56.4	30.9	32.2	33.7	33.9	34.0	34.0
3217	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1
3218	18.0	19.1	19.8	22.4	0.0	0.0	10.2	11.6	11.6	11.6
3219	13.1	13.9	14.1	14.6	0.0	0.0	6.2	7.2	7.7	8.3
3220	7.6	10.3	12.1	14.2	0.0	0.0	1.4	4.0	5.5	7.4
3221	3.1	3.3	3.5	3.8	0.0	0.0	1.7	1.9	2.1	2.2
3222	16.4	18.4	19.5	20.7	0.0	0.0	1.0	1.3	1.5	1.7
3223	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3224	0.0	3.3	3.3	3.4	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	2.2
3225	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3226	0.0	0.0	1.4	2.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0

Figure F.11 Example of FDA_StrucDetail.out – Frame 6

Structure Name	Structure Damage at 0.004 Probability	Structure Damage at 0.002 Probability	Content Damage at 0.5 Probability	Content Damage at 0.2 Probability	Content Damage at 0.1 Probability	Content Damage at 0.04 Probability	Content Damage at 0.02 Probability	Content Damage at 0.01 Probability	Content Damage at 0.004 Probability	Content Damage at 0.002 Probability
	0.004	0.002	0.5	0.2	0.1	0.04	0.02	0.01	0.004	0.002
3192	91.8	102.9	0.0	0.0	32.6	36.9	44.5	52.5	62.8	69.9
3193	64.5	79.0	0.0	0.0	16.8	26.8	32.1	39.8	44.3	52.3
3194	67.2	83.5	0.0	0.0	20.8	27.5	33.5	41.6	46.5	54.7
3195	106.3	128.7	0.0	0.0	32.2	45.2	55.7	67.0	71.8	82.9
3196	12.0	14.6	0.0	0.0	3.6	5.0	6.2	7.6	8.2	9.5
3197	77.4	94.6	0.0	0.0	24.0	32.6	40.1	48.5	52.2	60.8
3198	37.5	46.3	0.0	0.0	11.8	15.4	19.1	23.4	25.4	29.8
3199	36.7	45.4	0.0	0.0	11.5	14.9	18.6	22.8	25.0	29.3
3215	0.0	0.2	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.5
3216	34.0	34.0	19.7	21.4	22.2	22.3	22.4	22.4	22.4	22.4
3217	0.2	0.5	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3218	11.6	12.6	0.0	0.0	4.0	5.5	6.4	7.5	8.2	9.8
3219	8.4	8.8	0.0	0.0	4.6	5.1	5.4	5.6	5.7	5.8
3220	8.6	9.4	0.0	0.0	0.3	1.5	2.1	2.9	3.4	4.7
3221	2.3	2.5	0.0	0.0	0.9	1.0	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3
3222	1.8	2.0	0.0	0.0	11.0	13.5	14.9	16.6	17.7	18.7
3223	0.0	0.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3224	2.9	3.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	1.1	1.1	1.2
3225	0.0	0.8	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0
3226	1.4	2.1	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.0	0.6

Figure F.11 Example of FDA_StrucDetail.out – Frame 8

Appendix G

HEC-FDA Computation Procedures

G.1   Introduction

This appendix describes the computations used by the HEC-FDA package to obtain the following analysis variables:

1) exceedance probability curves;
2) project reliability;
3) expected annual damage,
4) flood damage reduction benefits, and
5) probable flood stages conditional on the occurrence of a particular exceedance probability event.

These variables are computed from various relationships that represent watershed runoff and economic factors important to estimating flood damage (e.g., discharge-exceedance probability, stage-discharge and stage-damage curves). The contributing relationships are characterized by both a best estimate and the uncertainty in this estimate.

G.2   Monte Carlo Simulation

G.2.1 Overview

Monte Carlo simulation (Davis, 1967) is used in FDA to derive the expected annual damage (EAD) corresponding to a particular plan/analysis year for a damage reach. EAD is the mean damage obtained by integrating the damage exceedance probability curve for the damage reach. The damage-exceedance probability function is obtained from the discharge-exceedance probability, stage-discharge, and damage-stage functions derived at a damage reach index location. The inclusion of uncertainty for these variables requires that a numerical integration approach be applied. Without uncertainty, the damage-exceedance probability curve can be obtained directly without resorting to numerical simulation approaches.

Monte Carlo simulation is the numerical integration approach. This method relies on an exceedance probability analysis of samples of the

contributing random variables obtained from the generation of random numbers. Although inelegant, the technique is computationally efficient in comparison with other techniques as the number of contributing variables exceeds about five.

G.2.2 Numerical Integration with Monte Carlo Simulation

EAD is the probability weighted average of all possible peak annual damages, and is also termed the mean. As a simple example of computing a probability weighted average, consider the rolling of a die. The probability of obtaining any outcome of any roll of a die is 1/6, since the probability of obtaining any face of the die is considered equally likely (at least if the die is fair). The probability weighted average is then computed as:

$$\sum_{i=1}^{i=6} d_i p_i = \frac{1}{6}(1+2+3+4+5+6) = 3.5 \tag{1}$$

where:

   d_i is the possible outcome of rolling a die
   p_i is the probability of the outcome

The probability weighted average or expected outcome of 3.5 obtained in Equation 1 could be obtained by performing a die rolling experiment. The experiment would just involve many trials of rolling the die and averaging the outcome. As the number of trials becomes large the average obtained will equal 3.5.

Performing trials with the die is an application of a Monte Carlo simulation to obtain an average. In rolling the die, random integers are obtained in the inclusive interval 1 to 6, and a statistical analysis of the outcome is performed to obtain an average. Consequently, a Monte Carlo simulation or application of Equation 1, are equivalent procedures for obtaining the mean or expected value.

Other statistical characteristics of rolling a die could be obtained, such as by performing a class category analysis on the outcomes to determine the probability of obtaining any outcome. If this were done, the probability of obtaining any die face in a single trial would be found to be 1/6.

This same type of sampling experiment can be performed to obtain EAD. Computation of EAD is somewhat more difficult in that damage is a continuous random variable, unlike the outcome of rolling a die, which has discrete outcomes. Consequently, damage probability is either stated for an interval, or more typically as, the probability of exceeding a

particular value. These probabilities are defined by the damage exceedance probability function or equivalently, the cumulative distribution function as defined by:

$$P[D > d] = F(D) = \int_{d}^{\infty} f(D)dD \tag{2}$$

where:

    D   is the annual damage

    F(D)   is a function defining the damage exceedance probability curve

    f(D)   is the probability density function (units of probability per increment of damage

    P[D>d] is read as "the probability that D exceeds d"

The probability density function can be used to calculate the EAD or equivalently the probability weighted average damage by performing the following numerical integration where the integral in Equation 3 is approximated by a sum as in Equation 1 (page G-2):

$$EAD = \int_{0}^{\infty} Df(D)dD \sim \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} D_i \Delta_p \tag{3}$$

where:

    Δp is the probability of damage being in an interval

    D_i is the midpoint damage of this interval

    N   is the number of intervals (Figure G.1)
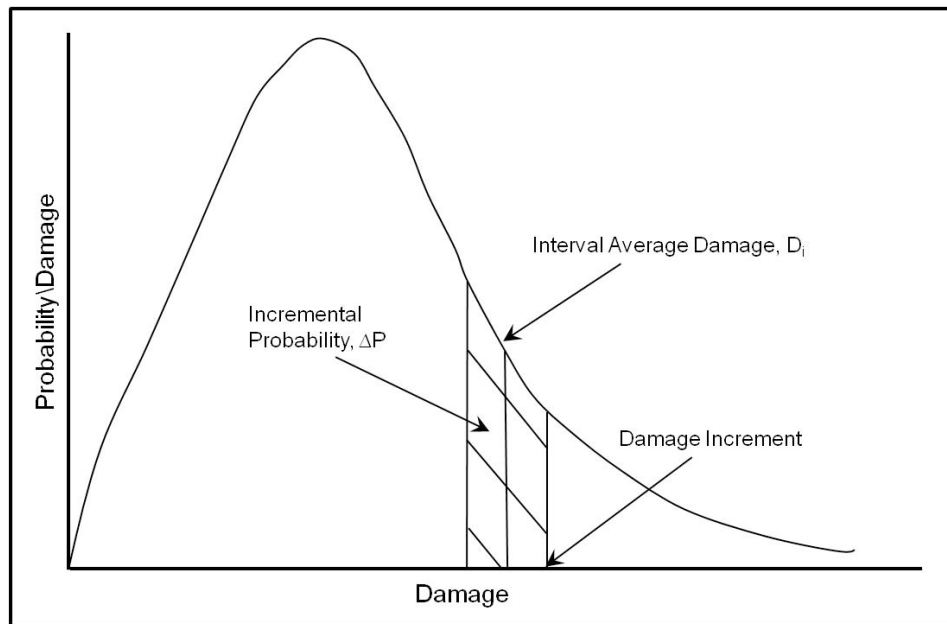
Figure G.1 Numerical Integration of Probability Density Function to Obtain EAD

The approximation turns the integration of a continuous random variable into that of a discrete variable much as in the computation of the average outcome for rolling a die shown in Equation 1 (page G-2). The difference between the equations is that Equation 1 is exact and the probability is for a discrete outcome; whereas, Equation 3 (page G-3) is approximate and Δp is an interval probability.

The numerical integration is necessary because the damage-exceedance probability function is not defined by a continuous analytic function making an analytic integration impossible. Given that an exact analytic value cannot be obtained, how good is the approximation provided in Equation 3? The approximation can be made as accurate as necessary by decreasing the interval Δp, or equivalently, increasing the number of intervals shown in Figure G.1 (page G-3).

Recognizing that choosing probability increments implies that Δp=1/N, where N is the number of increments in Figure G.1 (page G-3), Equation 3 can be rewritten as:

$$EAD = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} D_i \Delta p = \sum_{i=1}^{i=N} \frac{D_i}{N} \qquad (4)$$

which is the same as taking the average of a sample of N occurrences of annual damage. Monte Carlo simulation produces as large a sample as desired to obtain a sufficiently accurate numerical integration to obtain EAD or other statistical characteristics of a probability distribution. The key aspect of the Monte Carlo simulation is to obtain a random sample from a particular distribution. The algorithms used to generate samples from a probability distribution are discussed later.

G.2.3 Computing EAD, Exceedance Probability, and Event Probabilities

The inclusion of uncertainty in estimates of the variable contributing to damage makes it possible to obtain both a best estimate of EAD and a distribution of possible values about this best estimate. Additionally, an expected set of exceedance probability functions and event conditional stages can be computed as a consequence of providing these estimates of uncertainty.

The relationship between estimation uncertainty and the distribution of EAD can be understood by considering a sensitivity analysis application to computing EAD with a flow-exceedance probability curve, rating curve and stage-damage relationship as shown in Figure G.2 (page G-5). Figure G.2 shows that high-bound, low-bound and best estimates of each
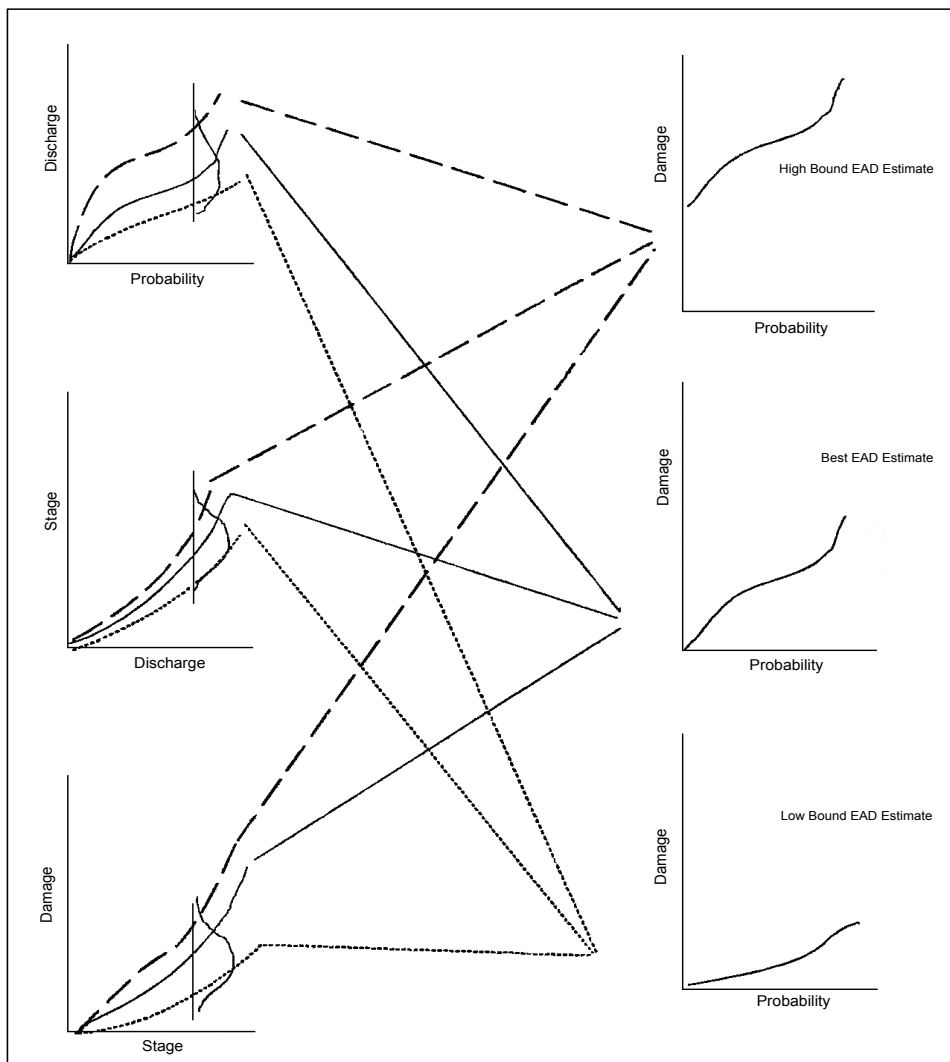
Figure G.2   EAD Computation Sensitivity Analysis

relationship are combined to obtain a corresponding range in estimates of EAD. This range in estimates could be thought of as defining a rough distribution of possible EAD estimates. The difficulty with this sensitivity analysis approach is that the relative likelihood of the range in estimates is not known.

Monte Carlo simulation is used to improve on the sensitivity analysis by integrating all possible random occurrences of the contributing relationships as shown in Figure G.3 (page G-6). This differs from the basic Monte Carlo application described in the previous section by obtaining a random sample of relationships or random functions instead of obtaining a random sample of individual values. The algorithm used to obtain random samples of each relationship is described later.

The Monte Carlo algorithm used to obtain the distribution and best estimate of EAD, expected exceedance probability curves and event related conditional stage exceedance probability proceeds as follows:
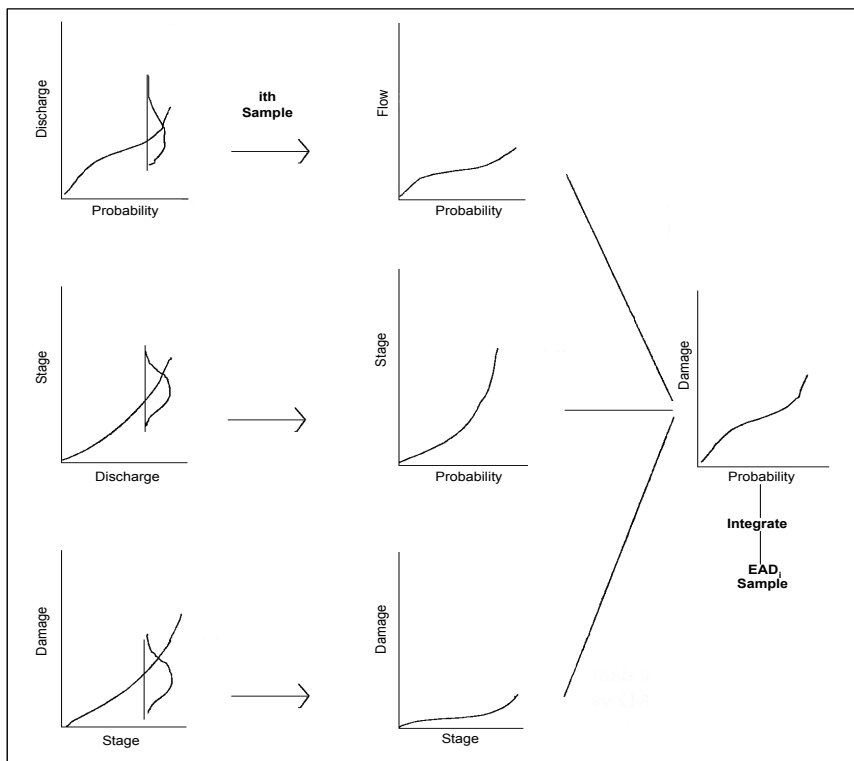
Figure G.3 Monte Carlo Simulation Algorithm for Estimating EAD

1. **Obtain a random sample of the contributing relationships**
    Each relationship is sampled to obtain a single realization of the
    discharge-exceedance probability, the stage-discharge (rating) and
    the stage-damage functions.

2. **Compute exceedance probability curves**
    Compute the stage-exceedance probability function by using the
    rating curve to transform the sample discharge-exceedance
    probability function into a stage-exceedance probability curve;
    and, compute the damage exceedance probability function by using
    the sample stage-damage function to transform the stage-
    exceedance probability curve into a damage-exceedance
    probability function.

3. **Save intermediary results for computing expected exceedance
    probability curves**
    Intermediary results are saved for the computation of expected
    exceedance probability functions by adding discharges, stages and
    damages for specified probabilities to values summed for previous
    simulation.

4. **Save intermediary results for computing event conditional
    stage probabilities**
    Event conditional stages are saved for later estimation of
    conditional stage exceedance probabilities. The stages are

conditional on specified exceedance probabilities (e.g., conditional on the 0.1, 0.02, 0.01 stage being exceeded). The stage for each of the events of interest is saved in a stage class interval. For example, consider that a stage of 21.56 corresponds to the 0.01 exceedance probability for the sample stage exceedance probability curve obtained in Step 2. This value is saved in a predetermined class interval that may have minimum and maximum limits of respectively, 21.0 and 22.0.

5. **Save intermediary results for computation of EAD**
The EAD for the sample contributing relationships is computed by integrating the damage exceedance probability curve. This value is both added to a sum of EAD values from previous iterations and saved in a damage class interval.

6. **Repeat sampling Steps 1 through 5**
Additional samples of exceedance probability curves and EAD are obtained by repeating Steps 1 through 5. Sampling ceases when an accuracy criterion is met.

7. **Compute expected exceedance probability curves**
Divide the summed values obtained in Step 3 for discharge, stage and damage for each exceedance probability by the number of samples.

8. **Compute conditional event stage distributions**
The process in Step 4 of placing stages in class intervals results in an exceedance probability histogram of stages for each exceedance probability event of interest. Table G.1 provides an example of some possible results for the 0.01 exceedance probability event. As shown in the table, the exceedance probability histogram is converted into an event conditional exceedance probability function.

Table G.1
Calculating Event Conditional Stage Exceedance Probability
from Monte Carlo Simulation Frequencies

Lower Limit Stage	Upper Limit Stage	Frequency	Cumulative Frequency	Cumulative Probability	Exceedance Probability
<21.0	21.0	200	200	0.01	0.99
21.0	22.0	5,000	5200	0.26	0.74
22.0	23.0	10,000	15,200	0.75	0.25
23.0	24.0	5,000	20,200	0.99	0.01
24.0	25.0	100	20,300	1.0	0.0
25.0	25.0>	0	20,300	1.0	0.0

9. **Compute best estimate of EAD and Distribution of EAD**
   The best estimate of EAD is computed as the average of the samples summed in Step 5. The class interval exceedance probabilities for EAD are converted to an exceedance probability distribution using the same procedure for event conditional stages (see Table G.1, page G-7).

   In performing this simulation, only the stage versus total damage relationship is used to obtain the damage exceedance probabilities function and corresponding EAD. Damage-exceedance probability functions and EAD for damage categories are proportioned in the same ratio as category damage is to the total damage values based on a limited number of Monte Carlo simulations.

G.2.4 Monte Carlo Simulation Options for Calculating EAD

The Monte Carlo simulation can be expanded to include other contributing relationships in the calculation of EAD. Table G.2 describes the options for including other relationships. Notice that some relationships involve uncertainty calculations and others (levee effects and interior stage versus exterior stage relationships) are specified without

Table G.2
Contributing Relationships Used in EAD Calculation

Contributing Relationship	Uncertainty Distribution
Flow/stage frequency curve	yes
Flow transform	yes
Rating curve	yes
Levee impact on damage	no
[1]Exterior versus interior stage	no
Stage versus damage	yes

[1] Used to directly convert exterior river stage, interior levee failure stage, or with wave overtopping

uncertainty. The inclusion of additional relationships does not require any new aspect of performing the simulation except to require the creation of additional random samples of another relationship. For example, Figure G.4 (page G-9) displays the additional step of using the flow transform to convert a reservoir inflow-exceedance probability curve to a regulated exceedance probability curve.

G.3   Sampling Algorithm for Numeric Integration

G.3.1 Overview

A Monte Carlo simulation requires a method for producing random samples and criteria for determining the number of samples needed to obtain a numerical integration with pre-specified accuracy. The
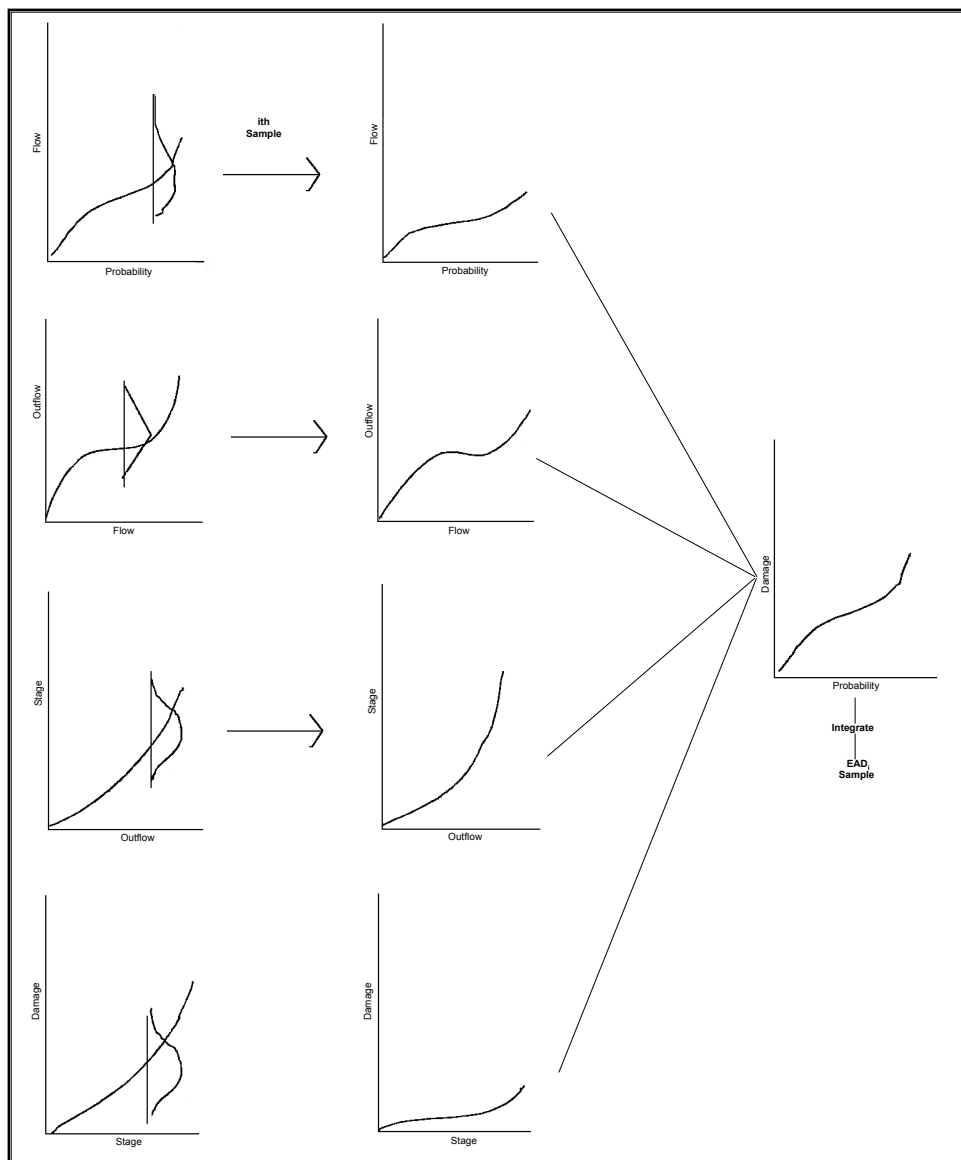
Figure G.4 Adding Computation of Regulated Outflow to Monte Carlo
Algorithm for Computing EAD

algorithms (previously described) produce random samples of the
contributing relationships that are combined to obtain samples of EAD,
exceedance probability functions and event conditional stage probabilities.
This sampling depends on the algorithm for generating random numbers.

The generation of random numbers and the random sampling of
contributing relationships is the means by which Monte Carlo simulation
performs a numerical integration. As previously discussed, the numerical
integration accuracy increases with the number of simulations. The
criteria used to determine the number of simulations for a desired level of
accuracy is described in the next section. The related problem of
obtaining a numerically accurate integration of the damage-exceedance
probability function is also discussed later.

G.3.2 Sampling of the Log Pearson Type III Distribution

Random samples of a Log Pearson Type III (LPIII) exceedance probability curve are obtained from random samples of the mean and standard deviation of the logarithm of the flow, computing a log-normal relationship and adjusting for the skew of the distribution. This scheme produces the same sampling variability inherent in the calculation of confidence limits and expected probability as described in Bulletin 17B (IACWD, 1982), the federal guidelines for performing flood-flow exceedance probability analysis.

The random sampling is based on a Bayesian statistical approach for assessing uncertainty (Stedinger, 1983). A goal of Bayesian estimation is to develop the distribution of possible population parameters (the posterior distribution) by combining statistics of the observed sample (e.g., observed stream flows), and other information on the probable range of population parameters (the prior distribution). In this instance, the prior distribution is based on the assumption that an equally likely set of parent populations could have produced the estimated sample mean, standard deviation and resulting log-normal distribution. The resulting posterior distribution of the population mean and standard deviation is given by:

$$P[\mu > m] = F(\mu) = \Phi\left(\overline{X}, \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}}\right) \tag{5}$$

$$P[\sigma^2 > s^2] = F(\sigma^2) = \frac{(N-1)S^2}{\chi^2_{(N-1)}} \tag{6}$$

where:

$\overline{X}$ sample mean of the logarithm of flow values
S   standard deviation of the logarithm of flow values
N   record length of years
m   is the population mean
$\Phi = (\overline{X}, \frac{S}{\sqrt{N}})$ normal distribution
σ   is the population standard deviation
$X^2_{(N-1)}$ is the chi-square distribution with N-1 degrees of freedom

Random estimates of the log-normal distribution are obtained by generating random estimates of normal and chi-square numbers, applying Equations 5 and 6 to obtain μ and σ and computing the distribution (see Figure G.5, page G-11).
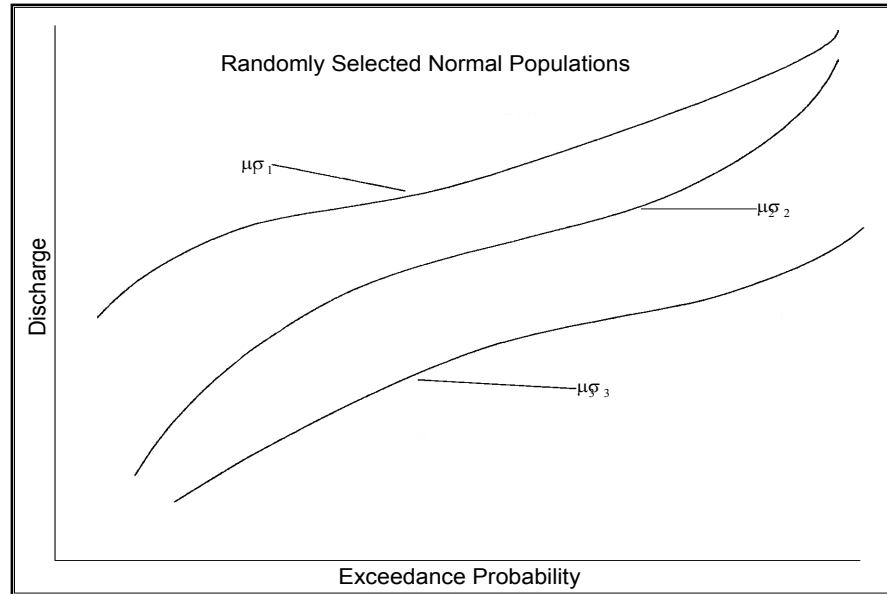
Figure G.5 Random Samples of Normal Populations from Population
Parameters μ, σ

This scheme for computing uncertainty does not account for the effect of shape or skew that is a characteristic of the LPIII distribution. This omission of the sampling uncertainty in skew is in keeping with the approach taken in the Bulletin 17B (IACWD, 1982) guidelines where sampling error is only estimated for a log-normally distributed variate. Consequently, the sampling scheme used for the LPIII distribution follows the Bulletin 17B (IACWD, 1982) method of computing uncertainty for a log-normally distributed variate and applying this uncertainty to an LPIII distribution with the same mean and standard deviation as the log-normal distribution. Given this estimation of uncertainty, the samplings of the LPIII distribution (see Figure G.6, page G-12) proceeds as follows:

1. **Compute log-normal and LPIII distributions from sample statistics**
   The log-normal and LPIII distributions are calculated using the following frequency factor equations:

$$\log_{10} Q_P^s = \overline{X} + Z_P S \tag{7}$$

$$\log_{10} Q_{G,P}^s = \overline{X} + K_{G,P} S \tag{8}$$

where:

Q_P^s flows for the log-normal
$Q_{G,P}^s$ flows LPIII distribution
Z_p is the standard normal deviate
$K_{G,P}$ is the LPIII deviate for a sample skew G, and exceedance probability P
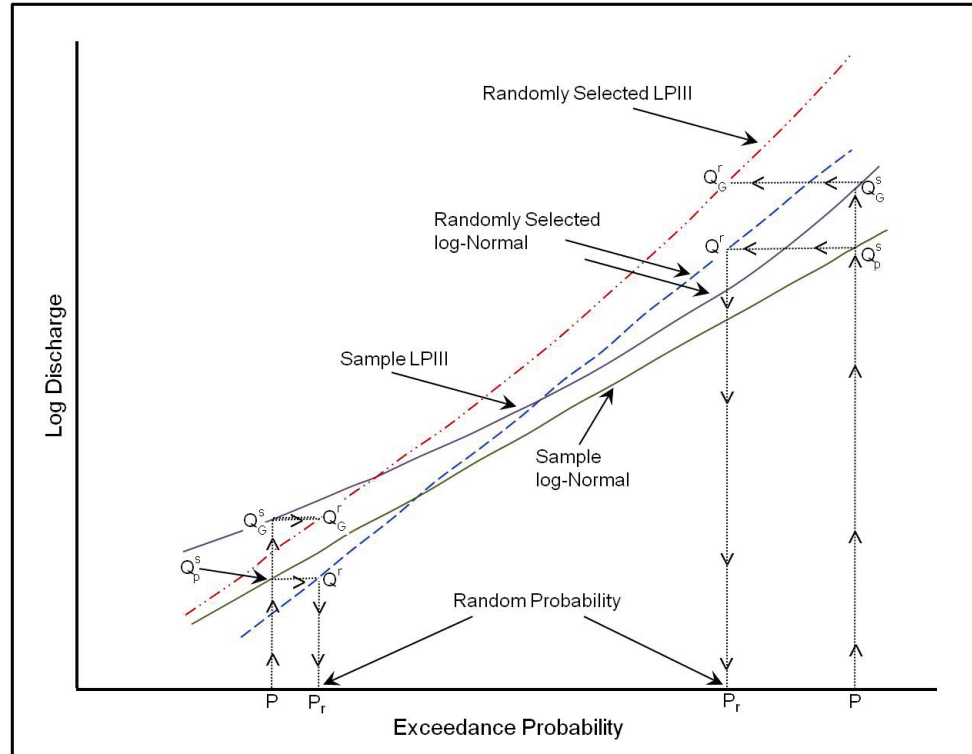
Figure G.6 Random Selection of LPIII Distribution from Random Log-Normal
Distribution

2. **Randomly select a sample normal distribution**
    Utilize Equations 5 and 6 to obtain a sample of the population
    mean μ and standard deviation σ. Compute the log-normal
    distribution from the population values as:

    $$\log_{10} Q^r = \mu + Z_p \sigma \qquad (9)$$

3. **Calculate the random probabilities resulting from the randomly
    selected normal distribution**
    Compute the random probability associated with the randomly
    selected normal distribution for a discharge with exceedance
    probability computed from Equation 7 as:

    $$P_r = \Phi^{-1}\left(\frac{\log_{10} Q_P^s - \mu}{\sigma} \right) \quad \text{for range of P} \qquad (10)$$

    where:

    $Q_P^s = Q^r$ is the flow value computed by Equation 7 (page G-11)
    for exceedance probability P
    Φ^{-1} is the inverse normal distribution (i.e., given a flow value, the
    inverse provides the exceedance probability).

4. **Utilize the random probabilities computed from Equation 10 (page G-12) to obtain a random sample of the LPIII frequency curve**

   Assign the random probability P_r to a flow value $Q_G^r = Q_G^s$, where Q_G^s was obtained from Equation 8 (page G-11). Compute as many pairs of P_r, Q_G^r values as needed to adequately define the sample LPIII exceedance probability curve.

G.3.3 Random Sampling of Graphical or Non-Analytic Relationships

The sampling of non-analytic or graphical relationships is necessarily ad hoc because a statistical sampling theory is not available. The algorithm used in this instance applies to any of the other contributing relationships used in the computation of EAD: 1) non-analytic stage or graphical exceedance probability curves; 2) discharge transforms; 3) rating curves; and, 4) stage damage relationships.

Random sampling of any of the graphical relationships is done by calculating the values for a particular confidence limit (Figure G.7). The algorithm is simply employed by: 1) generating a uniform random number between 0 and 1; and 2) calculating the confidence limit values for the particular relationship of interest. For example, if 0.95 is the value
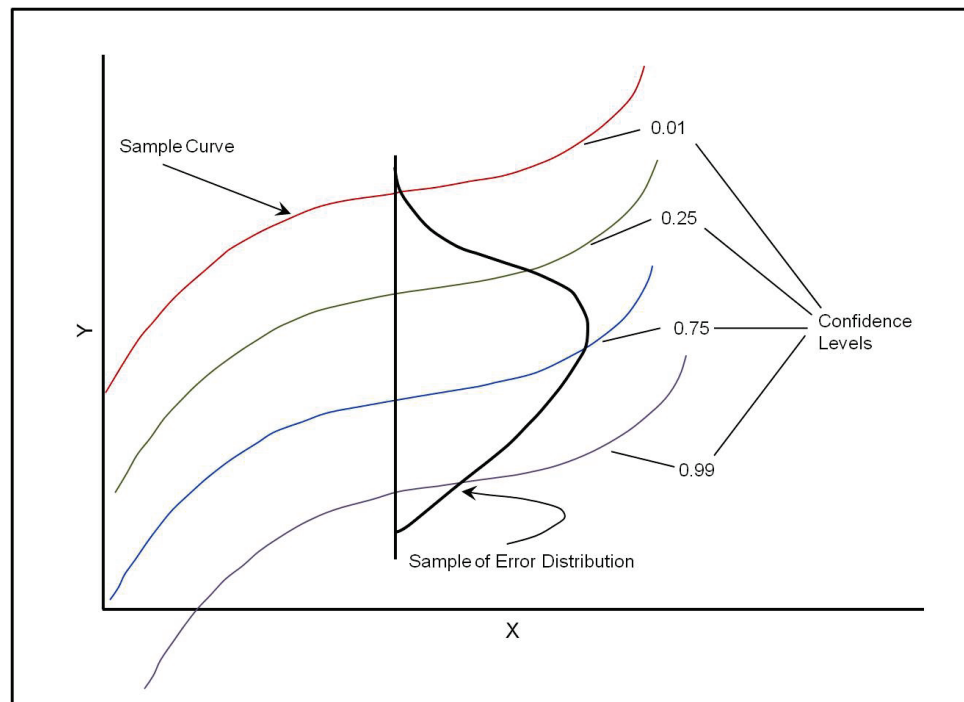

Figure G.7 Sampling of Non-Analytic or Graphical Relationships

resulting from the randomly selected value, then the 95% chance confidence level confidence limit is calculated as the randomly selected relationship for the algorithm described previously. Note, that the confidence limit for a contributing relationship is randomly selected independently of other confidence limits randomly selected for other contributing relationship used in the Monte Carlo simulation.

Classical statistical theory cannot be used to justify sampling possible population values from confidence limits as is done with this algorithm. Instead, justification for this algorithm must be sought from the sampling of the log-Normal distribution described in the previous section, which relies on a Bayesian approach. As was pointed out, the Bayesian approach results in the same uncertainty distribution for population values as is obtained with a classical statistical approach to obtain the uncertainty distribution used in Bulletin 17B (IACWD, 1982). In the case of the approach for graphical exceedance probability curves, the sampling from confidence limits obtained from an uncertainty distribution might be justified in analogy with this Bayesian approach.

The difficulty with this algorithm is that the sampling based on confidence limit values is very restrictive on the possible shapes of the graphical relationship. This restriction on shape results in some overestimation in the variance of the derived distribution of EAD. However, generalizing the shapes used in the sampling algorithm depends on some parametric representation of the graphical relationships. The representation is not available, leaving the current algorithm as the best available at this time.

G.3.4 Description of Algorithms for Computing Uncertainty about Graphical Probability Functions

The methodology for computing uncertainty about graphical probability curves was revised for Version 1.4 because the order statistics methodology implemented in previous HEC-FDA version gave inconsistent results when comparing change in parameters as a function of the equivalent length of record. After further research, HEC chose the "Less Simple" method and it is the default in HEC-FDA Version 1.4. This improved implementation of order statistics carries a significant impact on the performance calculations for some projects.

ETL 1110-2-537 gives a detailed description of the order statistics algorithm for determining the uncertainty about graphical probability functions, and provides examples of that algorithm and two simplified algorithms associated with it. A short summary of each method is presented in the following sections.

Order Statistics Method Description

The order statistics method is based on both order statistics and the binomial distribution. No assumption need be made concerning the analytic form of the frequency curve. Under these circumstances the statistic derived to estimate uncertainty is termed "non-parametric" or, more to the point, "distribution free." ETL 1110-2-537 contains more detail on this method, but simply described, the uncertainty around a particular quantile of the graphical frequency curve is based on the likelihood of a certain number of ordered observations in a random sample being less than that quantile, which is described with the binomial distribution. The order statistic approach is therefore limited to calculating uncertainty in the estimated frequency curve for the range of observed data or, alternatively, the likely observations in the equivalent length of record. For example, when 20-years of data are available, the largest event likely to have occurred is near the 5% exceedance probability event, and the order statistics approach will only be able to define the distribution of uncertainty (and so accurately estimate the confidence interval) for quantiles ranging approximately from 0.25 to 0.75. Extrapolating the uncertainty estimates beyond the range of data is performed by using *asymptotic approximations* of uncertainty distributions. *(These asymptotic approximations are also used below as simpler methods of defining the uncertainty distributions.)* Both the order statistic estimates and asymptotic estimates of uncertainty are based on the equivalent record length, n. The transition between the order statistic method and the approximations is made by redefining the record length, n, at the limits of the observed data that produces the same standard error. In order to make use of this combined uncertainty description, the standard deviations computed from the order statistics estimates and the asymptotic approximations are paired with a Normal distribution as the final description of uncertainty around a graphical frequency curve. All previous versions of HEC-FDA use the order statistic methodology.

"Simple Method" Description

The "Simple Method" is based on one of the asymptotic approximations used to extrapolate the order statistics method, but is used for the entire probability curve rather than just the extremes. Therefore, it does not use order statistics. The simple method is based on the uncertainty in a Normal distribution. Using the quantile definition $Y_p = M + Z_p S$ and the standard error of the mean, M and the variance S^2, the variance of the quantile $S_Y{}^2$ is described by the equation below (ETL 1110-2-537, see Equation 6):

$$S_Y^2 = \frac{S^2}{n} + Z_p^2 \frac{S^2}{2n}$$

where M is the mean of the frequency curve, S is the standard deviation of frequency curve, n is the record length, S_Y^2 is the variance of the quantile Y_p estimate, and Z_p is a normalized deviate computed as:

$$Z_p = \frac{Y_p - M}{S}$$

"Less Simple" Method Description

The "Less Simple" method is based on the other asymptotic approximation used to extrapolate the order statistics method. This approximation is based more closely on the features of the order statistics method, and provides a result with the same characteristics, such as smaller uncertainty when the frequency curve is flatter; and larger uncertainty when it is steeper. Here, the variance of the quantile S_Y^2 is described by the variance of a sample count for the Binomial distribution, where $S_X^2 = p(1-p)n$. Conversion to a proportion, and use of a first order Taylor expansion, provide (ETL 1110-2-537, see Equation 5):

$$S_Y^2 = \frac{p(1-p)}{n\,f(y)^2}$$

where S_Y is the standard deviation of the uncertainty distribution, p is the non-exceedance probability, n is the record length, and f(y) is the probability density function (PDF) for variable Y, derived from the frequency curve of interest. Note that the PDF is the inverse of the slope of the frequency curve, which is a CDF with probability on the horizontal axis.

Because the "Less Simple" method is based on the inverse slope of the CDF or frequency curve, it can get very large for the extreme ends of curve (where a CDF slope approaches zero). In order to avoid unreasonable results, the standard deviation computed for the 0.01 quantile is used all quantiles larger (p < 0.01), and the value for the 0.99 quantile is used for all quantiles smaller (p > 0.99).

Version 1.4 of HEC-FDA has adopted use of the "Less Simple" method for determining uncertainty about graphical probability functions.

G.3.5 Random Sampling of Uncertainty Relationships Using a Random Number Generator

The sampling of uncertainty distributions depends on the generation of uniform random numbers in the range 0.0 to 1.0 by the linear congruential method (Davis, 1967) and the transformation of the uniform numbers to the distribution desired. The linear congruential method takes the form:

$$X_{n+1} = \frac{(aX_n + b)\bmod m}{m} \tag{11}$$

where:

Xn is the previous number selected
Xn+1 is the current number to be generated
a and b are constants,
m is a constant known as the modulus, and "mod" is the modulus or remainder function.

The sequence is started for n=1 by a seed value that is set to a default value within the software. The selection of the constants and seed value is critical for an effective generation's scheme. This generation scheme, as well as any other using a computer algorithm, is considered to produce pseudo-random numbers because the sequence repeats with period depending on the selection of the constants in Equation 11. The constants are selected as shown in Table G.3 to obtain a long period of random numbers that is approximately equal to the size of the modulus, m. The resulting sequence of numbers has characteristics that are effective for performing numerical integration with Monte Carlo simulation.

Table G.3
Constants for Linear Congruential Method[1]

seed	1331124727
a	65539
b	0
m	2147483647

[1] Constants appropriate for 32-bit machine. Used in Equation 11.

The uniform random numbers can be used to randomly sample the graphical relationship directly. As described in the previous section, a number selected at random between 0.0 and 1.0 can be used to select the confidence level for selecting a graphical curve.

The application to the LPIII distribution requires that deviates from both a normal distribution and a chi-square distribution be obtained from a transformation of the numbers randomly sampled from a uniform distribution. The normal deviates can be obtained from the following transform due to Box, 1958 (Press, 1989):

$$n_i = u_i \left[-\frac{2\ln(s)}{s} \right] \tag{12}$$

$$n_{i+1} = u_{i+1} \left[-\frac{2\ln(s)}{s} \right] \tag{13}$$

where:

u_i and u_{i+1} are numbers randomly selected from a uniform distribution defined between -1.0 and 1.0

n_i and n_{i+1} are numbers that will be normally distributed, and s is computed as:

$$s = \left(u_i^2 + u_{i+1}^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \qquad\qquad s \geq 1.0 \qquad\qquad (14)$$

The application of this transform is accomplished by converting the uniform numbers generated over the range 0.0 to 1.0 in Equation 11 (page G-14) by letting $u_i = 2(X_i) - 1.0$. When the resulting uniformly distributed numbers result in s <1.0, the current pairing is discarded and a new pair is generated. On the average, about 1.27 uniform random variates are needed to generate a single normally distributed variate.

Chi-square deviates are obtained by applying the inverse theorem (Mood, 1963). This theorem is applied by interpolating a chi-square variate from a table of the chi-square cumulative distribution function given a random probability equal to a number generated from the uniform distribution using Equation 11 (page G-14). The algorithm used to compute the chi-square distribution was obtained from Press, 1989 (page 160). The algorithm utilizes the following relationship between the chi-square and incomplete gamma function:

$$P\left[\chi_{N-1}^2 < y\right] = G(a,x) = \int_0^x e^{-t} t^{a-1} dt \qquad 0 \leq x \leq \infty \qquad (15)$$

where:

N   is the period of record used to compute the sample standard deviation of the LPIII distribution

a = (N-1)/2

x = (y/2)

$G(a,x) = \int_0^x e^{-t} t^{a-1} dt$ is the incomplete gamma function

G.3.6 Numerical Error Tolerance for Simulations

The numerical integration accuracy of the Monte Carlo simulation improves with the number of simulations. The accuracy criteria developed for the simulation relies on the central limit theorem for the mean and the asymptotic normality of uncertainty distributions about exceedance probability curves. The central limit theorem (Mood, 1963) states that the sample mean of any random variable is asymptotically normally distributed about the population value. In the case of this

application of Monte Carlo simulation, the sample EAD results from a finite number of simulations, and the population value is the value that would be obtained from an infinite number of simulations (i.e., the no numerical error solution).

The following confidence limit results from asymptotic normality of the sample EAD:

$$P\left[-z_{1-\alpha/2} \leq \frac{M_{EAD} - \mu_{EAD}}{\dfrac{S}{\sqrt{n}}} \leq z_{1-\alpha/2} \right] = 1.0 - \alpha \qquad (16)$$

where

M_{EAD} is the average EAD obtained from n simulations
μ_{EAD} is the numerical error EAD
S   is the standard deviation of the damage exceedance probability curve estimated after n simulations
$z_{1-\alpha}$ is the standard normal deviate for confidence level α.

This confidence limit can be rearranged to produce an error bound of the numerical integration error:

$$\frac{z_{1-\alpha/2}S}{M_{EAD}\sqrt{n}} = \frac{M_{EAD} - \mu_{EAD}}{M_{EAD}} \leq \varepsilon \qquad (17)$$

where ε is a percent tolerance for the confidence level α. The error bound is set in the software such that α=0.05, ε=0.01 and n≤500,000. If the limiting number of simulations is reached the computation of EAD terminates with a warning.

A similar error bound is computed for the exceedance probability function. In this case, the computed quantile (e.g., flow, stage or damage) is the mean value derived for the exceedance probability of interest. The error bound focuses on the exceedance probability where the corresponding quantile has the largest estimation standard error. This estimation standard error is set to S in Equation 17 and computed as part of the simulation. The confidence limit and tolerance are set equal to that used for the error bound of EAD. The simulations will terminate only when the error tolerance for both estimating exceedance probability function and EAD is met or when the maximum number of simulations is reached.

The error bounds constrain the numerical integration error of the simulation but do not reduce the uncertainty in estimates of EAD or exceedance probability curves. The uncertainty in estimate is a function

of the error in models and estimates of parameters as indicated by the uncertainty distributions provided. The uncertainty shown by the sensitivity analysis depicted in Figure G.2 (page G-5) is not altered by the number of simulations performed. Rather, the number of simulations reduces the numerical error involved in combining the relationships via the algorithm depicted in Figure G.3 (page G-6).

G.3.7 Integrating the Damage-Exceedance Probability Function to Obtain EAD

The final computation in an individual Monte Carlo simulation is to integrate the damage-exceedance probability function to obtain a sample value of EAD_i as shown in Figure G.3 (page G-6). The damage-exceedance probability function is not analytic being derived from rating curves, stage-damage relationships, etc., that are not analytic. Consequently the following trapezoidal integration scheme is used to obtain an estimate of EAD_i:

$$EAD_i = \int_0^\infty D f_i(D) dD \sim \sum_{j=1}^{j=h} \overline{D_j}\,\overline{f_{i,j}} \Delta D_j \sim \sum_{j=2}^{j=h-1} \overline{D_j}\left(p_j - p_{j+1}\right) + D_1 p_1 + D_h p_h \quad (18)$$

where:

$f_i(D)$ is the probability density function (PDF) obtained from the ith simulation, for annual damage, D

h is the number of incremental intervals of size ΔD used to approximate the differential dD

$\overline{D_j}$ and $\overline{f_{i,j}}$ are the average values of D and $f_i(D)$ over this interval, and the difference of exceedance probabilities over this interval $\left(p_j - p_{j+1}\right) = \overline{f_{ij}} \Delta D$

$D_1 p_1$ and $D_h p_h$ are end point approximations to the end intervals of integration, zero and infinity. The assumption is made in the software that $D_1 = 0$, resulting in $D_1 p_1 = 0$

The trapezoidal rule approximation accuracy improves with increasing number of intervals, h. The number of intervals is determined by computing EAD for damage exceedance probability curves determined by a sensitivity analysis such as shown in Figure G.2 (page G-5) prior to performing the Monte Carlo simulation. The sensitivity analysis is performed by obtaining damage exceedance probability curves by combining confidence limit estimates of the contributing relationships at the same confidence level. The confidence limits investigated are obtained for confidence levels, 0.5, 0.75, 0.25, 0.9, 0.1, 0.99, 0.01, 0.999, 0.001.

The number of intervals, h, is obtained by performing recursive integration for each confidence limit investigated in the sensitivity analysis. The recursive procedure involves:

1) selecting an interval size;
2) computing EAD;
3) dividing the interval size in half, where appropriate, and re-computing EAD;
4) computing the relative difference between EAD values obtained in Steps 2 and 3;
5) determining if the relative difference in Step 4 is less than one percent; if this tolerance is met; then the interval used in Step 2 is selected; otherwise, Steps 3 thru 4 are repeated, and the Step 5 check is repeated until the relative difference is less than one percent.

The division of interval sizes in Step 3 is only performed when the interval size reduction will make a significant difference to the computation of EAD. This limits the number of intervals used which is important to the computational efficiency of Monte Carlo simulation. The more intervals used, the more computational time required to perform a simulation. Intervals are divided until the error tolerance is met or the maximum number of 200 is obtained. Experience has shown that 200 intervals provide sufficient accuracy given the data typically available.

G.4   Uncertainty Distributions

G.4.1 General

The estimation of uncertainty distributions for the contributing relationships will involve a certain amount of judgment, except for the case of a flow or stage exceedance probability curve where the uncertainty is determined from the length of record. The judgment used in estimating uncertainty for other contributing variables should correspond to the same factors contributing to uncertainty in the exceedance probability curves. The uncertainty in the exceedance probability functions is due to the estimation uncertainty in the parameters, which are the mean and standard deviation for the LPIII (the skew being ignored).

This focus on parameter uncertainty effectively examines the uncertainty in the mean relationship given a set of scattered observations. In other words, the focus is on the uncertainty in fitting an exceedance probability function to an observed set of plotting positions and does not reflect the scatter of the plotting positions about the best estimates.

To understand the difference between uncertainty in fitted relationships and the uncertainty due to scatter, consider a split sample exceedance probability analysis of a gage having 100 years of record. Estimate both

pairs of frequency curves and determine the top ranked event from separate 50-year records. In general, the difference between the 1% chance flow estimated by the frequency curves will be considerably less than the difference between the top ranked events. The smaller variation in the fitted relationships, as compared to the plotting positions, represents the difference between uncertainty for best fit relationships and that for scatter about these relationships. If uncertainty in the contributing relationships such as rating and stage-damage curves is based on scatter, then the specified uncertainty will be too great. This in turn will probably increase the magnitude of the EAD best estimate and certainly increase the variance of the EAD distribution.

Therefore, the principle focus of estimating uncertainty should be on the potential variation in the best estimate of the contributing relationship. Consequently, if a sensitivity analysis is performed to determine the uncertainty in a contributing relationship, such as in varying Manning n to determine errors in rating curves, then the parameters varied should be reasonably likely to occur together. Combining extreme parameter values probably reflects scatter rather than the reasonable variation in a fitted relationship.

The error distribution about exceedance probability curves is determined by the effective record length and the type of exceedance probability curve specified. In the case of the LPIII distribution, the uncertainty is computed as described previously. Also, refer to ETL 1110-2-537 (USACE, 1995) for the method used to calculate the uncertainty distribution for non-analytic (graphical exceedance probability curves). Normal, log-normal and triangular error distributions are available for specifying uncertainty about other contributing relationships, as is described in the next two sections.

G.4.2 Triangular Error Distribution

The triangular distribution is the simplest available for use with contributing relationships that are not exceedance probability functions (see Figure G.8, page G-21). This triangular distribution is specified for either: 1) each paired value describing the contributing relationship (e.g., discharge- stage function); or 2) for a specified value in the paired relationship (e.g., for 1,000 cfs corresponding to a stage of 10.0 feet). In the case of the specified value, the bounds on the error distribution are linearly interpolated to zero for values less than this specified value and remains unchanged for values greater than this value.

The parameters of the distribution are the mode and the range. The mode is the most frequently occurring value, or the peak of the probability density function for the triangular distribution. The range is simply
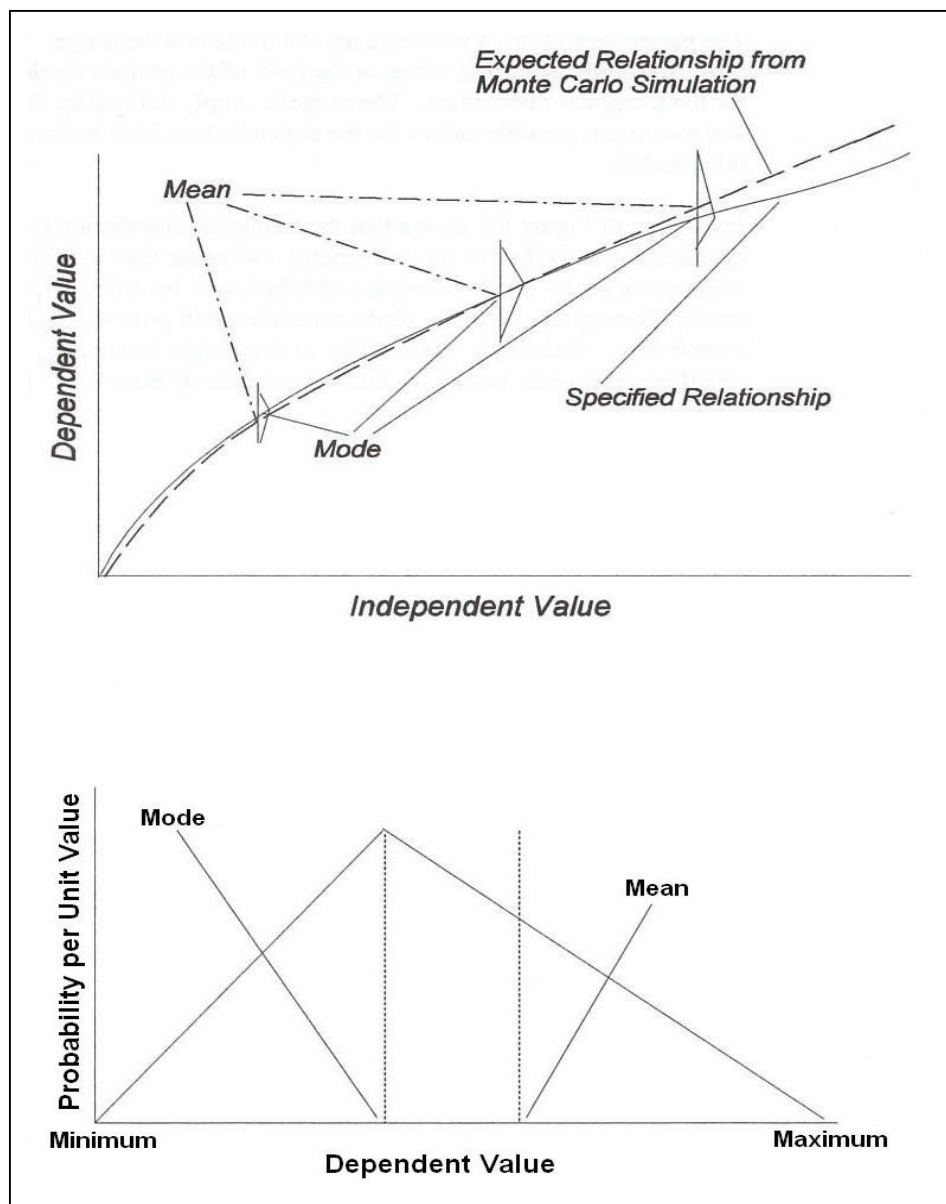
Figure G.8 Triangular Distribution Application

defined by the minimum and maximum possible values for the dependent variable in the paired relationship.

Inspection of Figure G.8 (page G-21) shows that the triangular distribution need not be symmetric. The effect of the asymmetry is to cause the mean or expected value associated with the triangular distribution to be different than that for the mode. Consequently, Monte Carlo simulation will produce on the average a contribution relationship that is different than might be assumed to occur when specifying the mode as a no uncertainty estimate of the relationship.

G.4.3 Normal and Log-Normal Distributions

The normal distribution is specified by a mean and standard deviation of the errors (see Figure G.9, page G-22). The log-normal distribution also is specified by a mean and standard deviation of the logarithms (base 10) of interest. Consequently, estimation of the errors needs to be performed in log space for this distribution. For example, the paired values of discharge and stage should be plotted on $\log_{10}$-$\log_{10}$ scale; and the best fit relationship and the errors should be determined from this scale. The relationship is then specified by the untransformed best fit values (i.e., by taking anti-logs of the best fit) together with the standard errors of the logarithms.
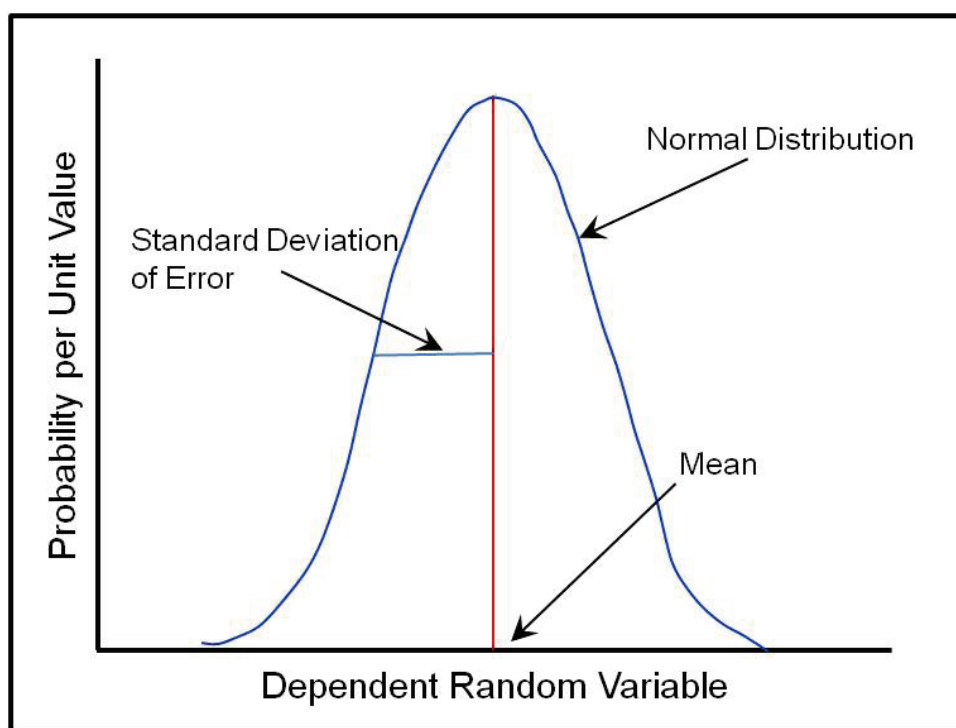

Figure G.9 Normal Distribution of Errors

The normal distribution is symmetric with respect to the mean. Consequently, the mean or expected relationship obtained from the Monte Carlo simulation will be the same as the specified relationship. This differs from the average result obtained with an asymmetric triangular uncertainty distribution as explained in the previous section and shown in Figure G.9. The estimation of the log-normal distribution is most conveniently performed in log-space, thus reducing the problem in estimating a normally distributed log variate. However, the log-normal uncertainty distribution is asymmetric when plotted on a linear scale, and, like an asymmetric triangular distribution, will result in an average relationship that differs from the specified relationship when performing a Monte Carlo simulation.

G.4.4 Application to Stage versus Damage Relationships

The Monte Carlo simulation algorithm reduces the computational effort required by only computing total damage, rather than damage for each category. However, stage versus damage is specified for each damage category with a corresponding uncertainty in the estimates. The total damage is obtained by aggregating the specified (no uncertainty) estimates. However, the uncertainty distributions are less easily aggregated. The assumption is made that the uncertainty estimates are uncorrelated. Consequently, the standard errors of the normal distribution can be added by summing these standard errors squared and taking the square root (variances added).

G.5 Levee Analysis

Computation of damage exceedance probability functions with levees is straight forward when the levee only fails due to overtopping, but requires some additional computations when geotechnical failure can occur. The computation of the damage exceedance probability curve for levee failure due to overtopping only is easily done by setting the zero damage point to a stage corresponding to the top of levee. The integration of the damage exceedance probability curved using Equation 18 (page G-18) to obtain EAD is then applied as without a levee.

The computation of the damage exceedance probability curve when geotechnical failure is possible needs to consider the probability of failure below the top of levee. The damage exceedance probability curve is calculated in this situation as follows (Figure G.10):
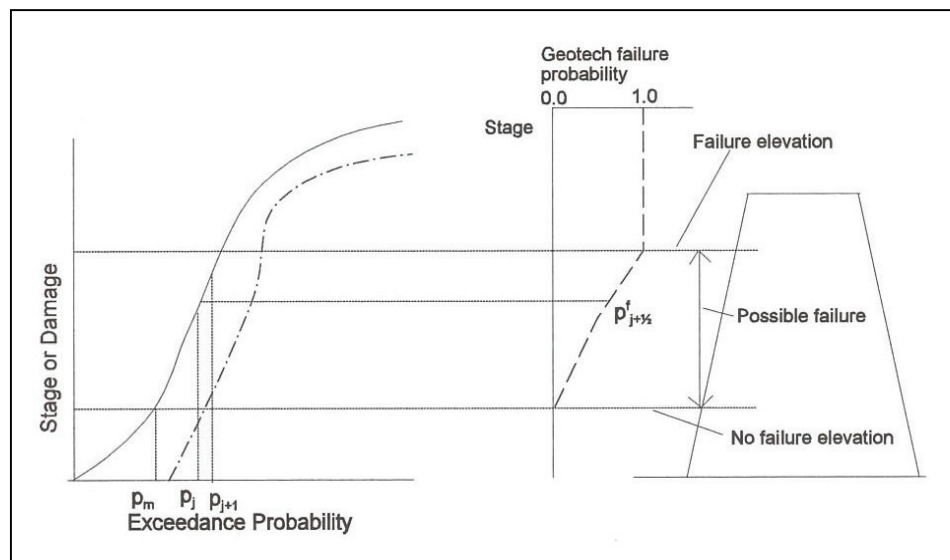

Figure G.10 Damage Considering Levee Geotechnical Failure

$$P[d_j \le D < d_{j+1}] = (p_j - p_{j+1})p^f_{j+\frac{1}{2}} \qquad\qquad p_j \le p_m \qquad (19)$$

where:

$P[d_j \le D < d_{j+1}]$ is read as "the probability that the annual damage, D, will be in the interval $d_{j-1} \le$ to d_j"

p_m is the exceedance probability corresponding to the stage that cannot cause damage due to geotechnical or overtopping failure

p_j and p_{j+1} are the exceedance probabilities for stages that cause damage corresponding to $d_{j\le}$ and d_{j+1} in the absence of the levee

$p^f_{j+1/2}$ is the failure probability of the levee for the stage with exceedance probability midway between p_j and p_{j+1}.

Equation 18 (page G-18) then can be applied to this damage exceedance probability curve to obtain EAD by letting:

$$\overline{D_j} = \frac{d_j + d_{j+1}}{2} \qquad (20)$$

and substituting:

$$(p_j - p_{j+1})p^f_{j+1/2} \rightarrow (p_j - p_{j+1}) \qquad (21)$$

G.6   Project Reliability and Flood Risk Computations

Reliability is computed as the exceedance probability for a target stage or the likelihood of levee failure. Flood risk is defined as the probability of one or more exceedances of the target stage or levee failures in a specified number of years.

The target stage is determined by interpolation from the stage versus damage relationship using a specified fraction of a damage for a specified exceedance probability . This damage is determined from a damage-exceedance probability function obtained by combining traditional estimates of the contributing relationships (i.e., contributing relationships without uncertainty) for the without-project condition.

The exceedance probability for this stage or the levee failure probability is specified as both a "median" and "expected" value. The median value is obtained from the stage-exceedance probability curve obtained by the traditional (no uncertainty) method. The expected value is obtained by averaging the target stage or levee failure probability over all the Monte Carlo simulations.

The risk of flooding one or more times in N_R years is computed as:

$$R = 1 - (1 - p)^{N_R} \qquad (22)$$

where p is either the probability of exceeding the target stage or levee failure. An expected value of R is reported as the average over all Monte Carlo simulations.

G.7   Computation of Equivalent Annual Damage

Equivalent annual damage is computed by discounting future EAD values given the appropriate interest rate and time for discounting. The computation is described in detail elsewhere (HEC, 1989). This computation is applied to not only the best estimate of EAD but to the distribution of possible EAD values obtained as part of the Monte Carlo simulation. This results in a distribution of equivalent annual damage.

Inundation Reduction Benefit Computations

Inundation reduction benefits are computed as the difference between with-and without-project equivalent annual damage. This differencing is performed between the distribution of equivalent annual damage values obtained for both with-and without-project condition resulting in a distribution of equivalent annual damage.

The differencing of uncertainty distributions in this manner recognizes that irrespective of the plan, the future exceedance probability of events causing floods will be the same for all plans. Consequently, differencing these distributions results in the same answer as would be obtained by obtaining the distribution of net benefits by performing Monte Carlo simulation of damage differences.

G.8   Natural Variability and Knowledge Uncertainty

In risk and uncertainty analysis, there are two types of uncertainty considered in variables of interest. The types are known as natural variability (aleatory) and knowledge uncertainty (epistemic). The distinction between these two types of uncertainty is relevant in developing probability distributions in risk analysis because each one is incorporated into the evaluation of risk in a different way. Definitions for those terms follow:

> Natural Variability (aleatory) - some variables are random and unpredictable by nature, and their values change with time or in space

Knowledge Uncertainty (epistemic) - some variables are more or less constant and do not change with time or space, but we do not know their values accurately

An example of natural variability is the peak streamflow at a damage location in a given year, captured by the probability distribution of flow (Figure G.11a). Because this probability distribution is estimated by a limited record of streamflow providing only a small sample of annual peaks, it is not known accurately, which is an example of knowledge uncertainty. This uncertainty is often displayed by a 90 percent confidence interval around the frequency curve (Figure G.11b).
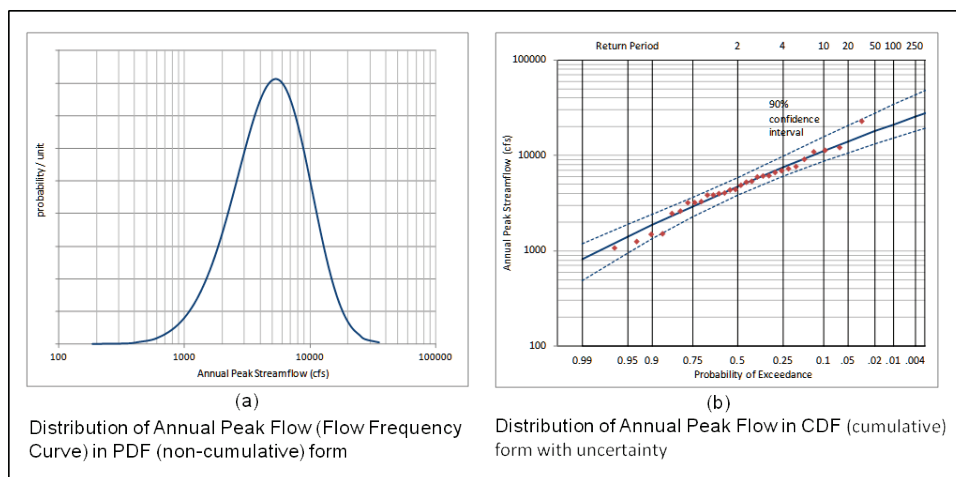

(a)
Distribution of Annual Peak Flow (Flow Frequency Curve) in PDF (non-cumulative) form

(b)
Distribution of Annual Peak Flow in CDF (cumulative) form with uncertainty

Figure G.11 Distribution of Annual Peak Flow

In the USACE planning process, cost/benefit analysis requires an estimate of the benefit of a flood damage reduction investment. The actual benefit is the value of flood damage prevented over the life of the project. However, future flood events and therefore future damage are unknown, because floods and flood damage are random and unpredictable (i.e, naturally variable). Future flood damage is best represented by a probability distribution that captures the range of possible damage values and their likelihood. The mean of that damage distribution is used as a summary value, because working with the entire distribution is intractable and the mean provides an annualized value for use in economic computations.   Therefore, the metric of interest (computed by HEC-FDA) is the average or expected value of annual damage (EAD), which is the mean of the probability distribution of annual damage (the damage-probability curve).

The basic computation of EAD is simply an integration of an estimated annual damage distribution (a damage-probability curve) to find its mean (Figure G.11). When developing the annual damage distribution, the primary probabilistic input is the distribution of annual peak flow (the flow-frequency curve) which is then transformed to damage using intermediate relationships between flow, stage, and damage (Figure G.12).
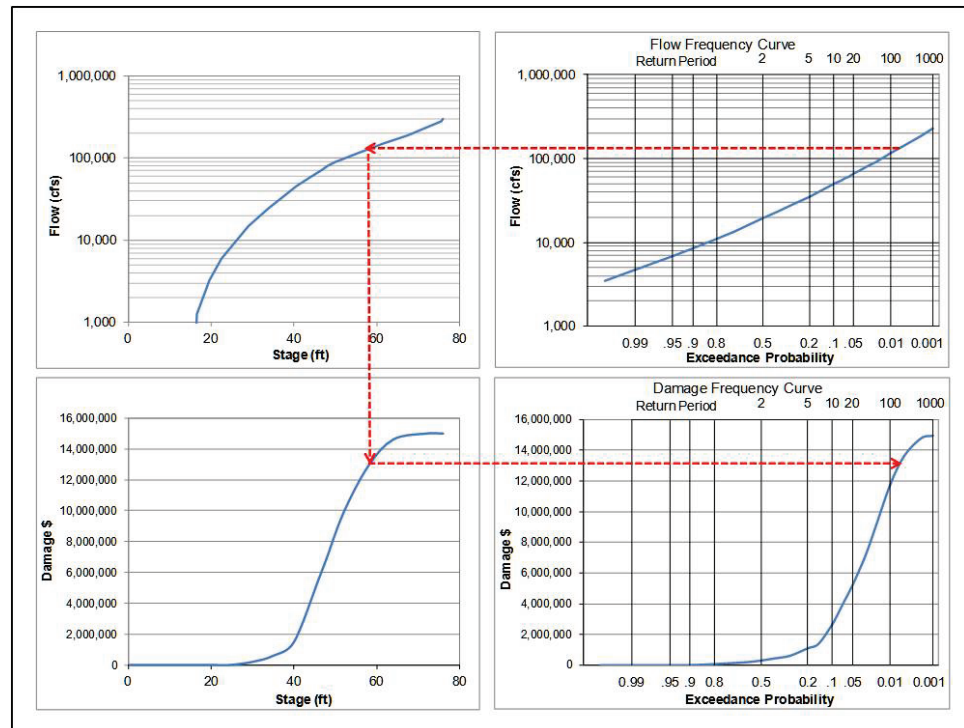
Figure G.12 Transformation from Flow-Frequency Curve to Damage-Frequency Curve in CDF (cumulative) Form

The entire distribution of the naturally variable streamflow is present in the damage distribution, and so is integrated into its mean, the EAD. HEC-FDA performs this basic computation of EAD. A more complete analysis would make note of other watershed factors that are naturally variable (random, and changing with time) that can affect what damage might occur in any year, and so impact the range and likelihood of the damage distribution. All of these natural variabilities would then be incorporated into the damage distribution and so integrated into the EAD.

The EAD computations described above do not include uncertainties in the flow-frequency curve or in the intermediate relationships (e.g., between flow, stage and damage) used to derive the annual damage distribution. The introduction of risk and uncertainty analysis to USACE, which necessitated the development of HEC-FDA, involved identifying uncertain variables or relationships and defining that *knowledge uncertainty* with probability distributions (Figure G.13). These uncertainties, however, do not add to the spread of possible annual damage, but instead prevent knowing the damage distribution (and its mean, the EAD), accurately. These knowledge uncertainties therefore contribute to spread around the estimate of EAD, also known as the EAD distribution (Figure G.14).

These knowledge uncertainties are incorporated in HEC-FDA using Monte Carlo simulation. In each iteration of a Monte Carlo simulation, the uncertainty distributions are randomly sampled, and the resulting
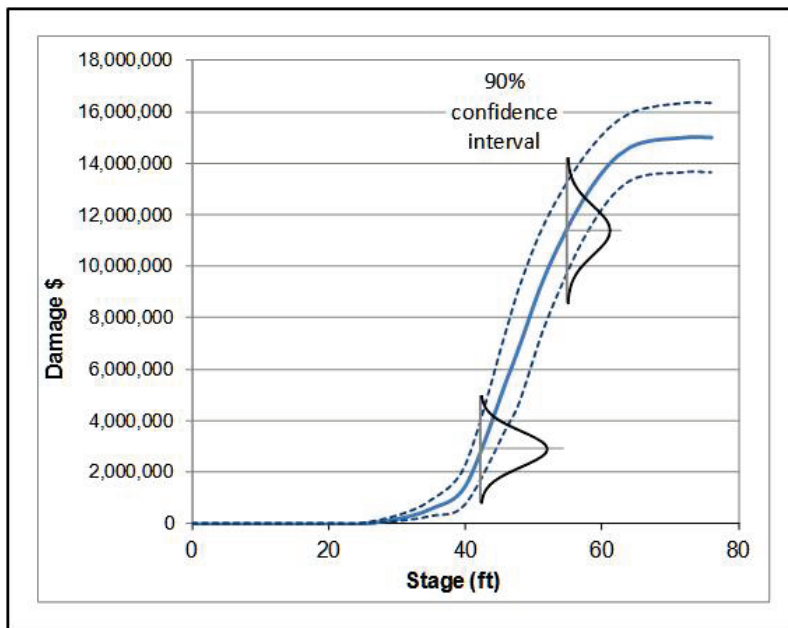
Figure G.13 Stage-Damage Relationship with Uncertainty
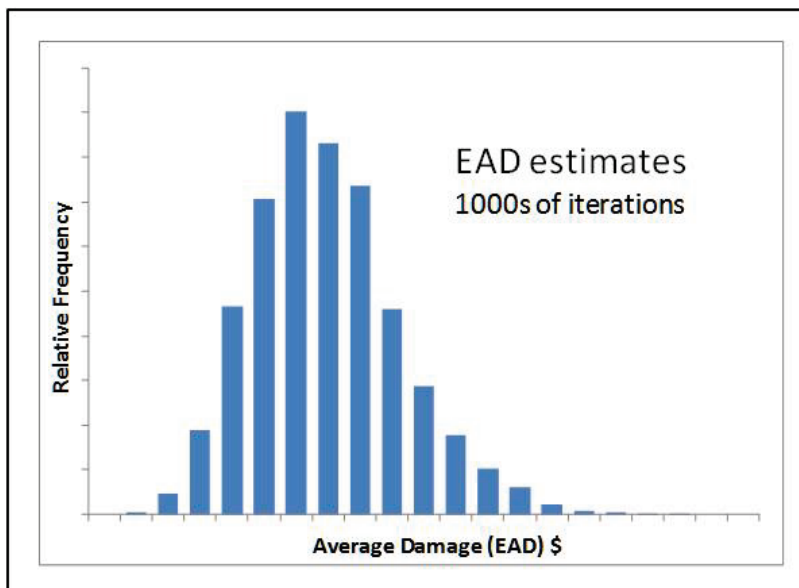   (PDF and 90 percent Confidence Interval)

Figure G.14 Sample of EAD Estimates from all Monte Carlo Iterations,
          Forming the EAD Distribution

values or relationships are used to perform the EAD computation
described above; i.e., transforming the flow distribution to a damage
distribution and integrating it to compute the mean. Figure G.15 shows
the PDF form of the annual damage distribution and the corresponding
EAD. This process is repeated thousands of times, with each iteration
providing an estimate of EAD (Figure G.16), and the resulting EAD
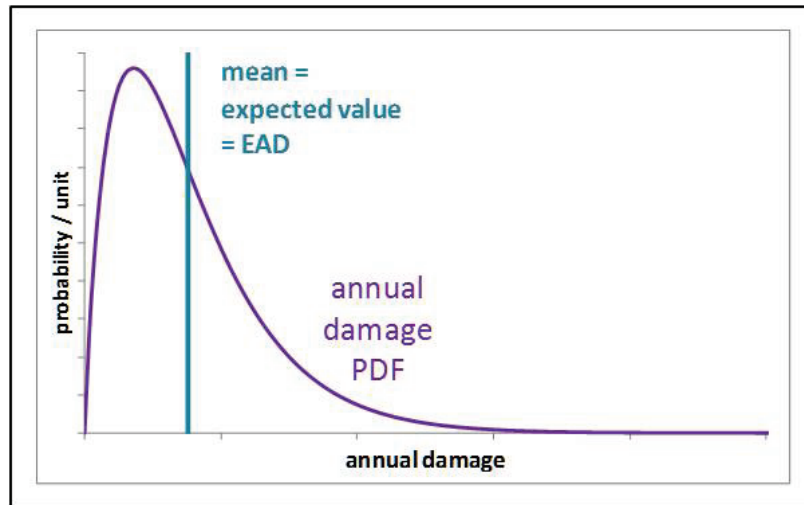estimates used to infer the EAD distribution (see Figure G.14).

Figure G.15 Damage Distribution and its Mean, the EAD, from One
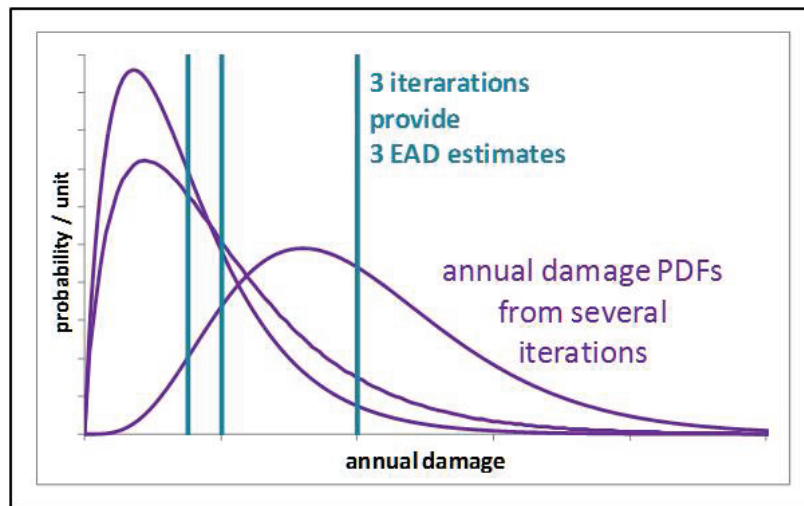   Monte Carlo Iteration

Figure G.16 A Damage Distribution and its Mean from each of Three
                 Monte Carlo Iterations

An example of random sampling of a *knowledge uncertainty* is the
statistics of the flow frequency curve, as each iteration of the Monte Carlo
simulation uses a randomly selected value of each statistic from within its
defined distribution, producing a slightly different flow frequency curve
and so a different annual damage distribution and EAD. With enough
iterations completed, together, will capture those uncertainty distributions
and the resulting spread in the EAD estimate. Figure G.14 shows a
histogram of the EAD estimates from all iterations, forming the EAD
distribution.

To summarize the description above, within HEC-FDA, random or
uncertain variables are incorporated in two ways. The probability
distributions that describe them are either (a) integrated in their entirety

into the estimate of EAD in each Monte Carlo iteration, or are (b) randomly sampled to use a single instance of the distribution in each iteration's estimate of EAD. Using the distribution in its entirety (as in (a)) means it is included as a *natural variability*, completely incorporated in EAD. Randomly sampling the distribution for each Monte Carlo iteration's EAD estimate (as in (b)), such that the distribution contributes to the spread of the EAD distribution, includes that variable as a *knowledge uncertainty*.

While HEC-FDA was not designed to explicitly account for the two different types of uncertainties, it is possible to categorize the uncertainty type for each parameter based on how it is incorporated into the HEC-FDA computational algorithm.

HEC-FDA begins computation with an annual peak flow or stage frequency curve, which is completely integrated into each EAD estimate, and so is incorporated as a *natural variability*. HEC-FDA also allows uncertainty to be defined around each of the relationships that transform that probability distribution of flow or stage into a distribution of annual damage, as in Figure G.13. Because one instance of each of the relationships is randomly sampled in each Monte Carlo iteration, those defined uncertainties contribute to the spread in the distribution of EAD, meaning the uncertainty around each relationship is incorporated as *knowledge uncertainty*. The transformation always includes the relationships for flow versus stage and stage versus damage, if flow-frequency is used (and just stage versus damage if stage-frequency is used). The transformation may also include the relationships for unregulated versus regulated flow, exterior versus interior stage, and exterior stage versus probability of failure (fragility curve). Of these relationships, all but the last two may include uncertainty in HEC-FDA.

HEC-FDA also has the ability to develop the interior stage versus damage relationship with a separate prior Monte Carlo simulation based on a structural inventory, aggregating damage to each index point, and randomly varying variables such as first-floor elevation and structure value. As the uncertainty defined around these variables contributes to the uncertainty around the entire stage versus damage relationship, they are also therefore incorporated into the computation as *knowledge uncertainty*.

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