



Dimensions of Spooner Lake at various stages are given in the following tabulation:

Time or condition	Stage (feet above mean sea level)	Area (acres)	Volume (acre-feet)
During bathymetric survey, July 1, 1971	6,976.8	84	1,030
December 2, 1971	6,975.4	80	910
At stage shown in figure 4	6,981.1	95	1,410
Overflow stage of dam	6,982.9	100	1,580

With reference to the above tabulation, it can be seen that the bathymetric map of Spooner Lake (fig. 4) was drawn at a stage about 4 feet higher than actual conditions during the time of the survey. This was done for two reasons: (1) to make the bathymetric map more meaningful by "filling" the lake, and (2) to provide the Nevada Department of Fish and Game with information on the character of the lake if more water were to be stored or if the dam were to be raised or replaced with a higher structure. The data needed to determine this increase in stage above existing field conditions in the summer of 1971 were obtained by instrument surveying peripheral to the lake.

At the time of the survey, water was leaking through or beneath the dam of Spooner Lake at an estimated rate of between 100 and 200 gallons per minute. This leakage is probably about of the same general magnitude as the evaporation from the lake, if both are evaluated on the basis of average annual quantities. Therefore, a somewhat higher stage probably could be maintained, if this leak were eliminated, as the leakage and evaporation probably are the two principal means of discharge from the lake.

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