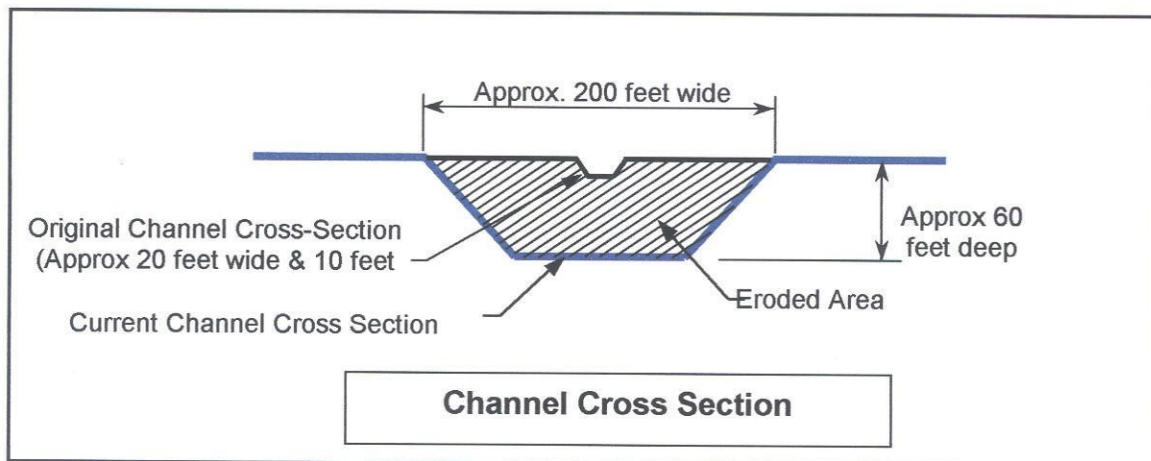


LAKE RALPH HALL Water for the Future Environmental Considerations

The North Sulphur River, the proposed site for Lake Ralph Hall, has a serious and worsening environmental problem. Over the past 70 years, more than 100 acres of valuable land has disappeared - - eroded away from the main channel and tributaries, washing away valuable soil, trees, wetlands and wildlife habitat - - taking the material downstream, creating other problems.

State Highway bridges must be rebuilt because erosion continues to undermined their foundation. Construction of Lake Ralph Hall will mitigate erosion, restore natural conditions and beauty to the region, will provide new water and food sources for animals, and will help preserve soil and wetlands. **Lake Ralph Hall will make life better - - for nature and for people.**

The original channel dug in 1920s and 1930s was approximately 20 feet wide and 10 feet deep. However, today it is over 200 feet wide and 60 feet deep - - almost 10 times its original size.



Recently, environmental experts visited the site of the proposed Lake Ralph Hall and were astounded. This photograph depicts the current condition of the channel of this small river.

