Analysis of Historical Rangen Spring Flows

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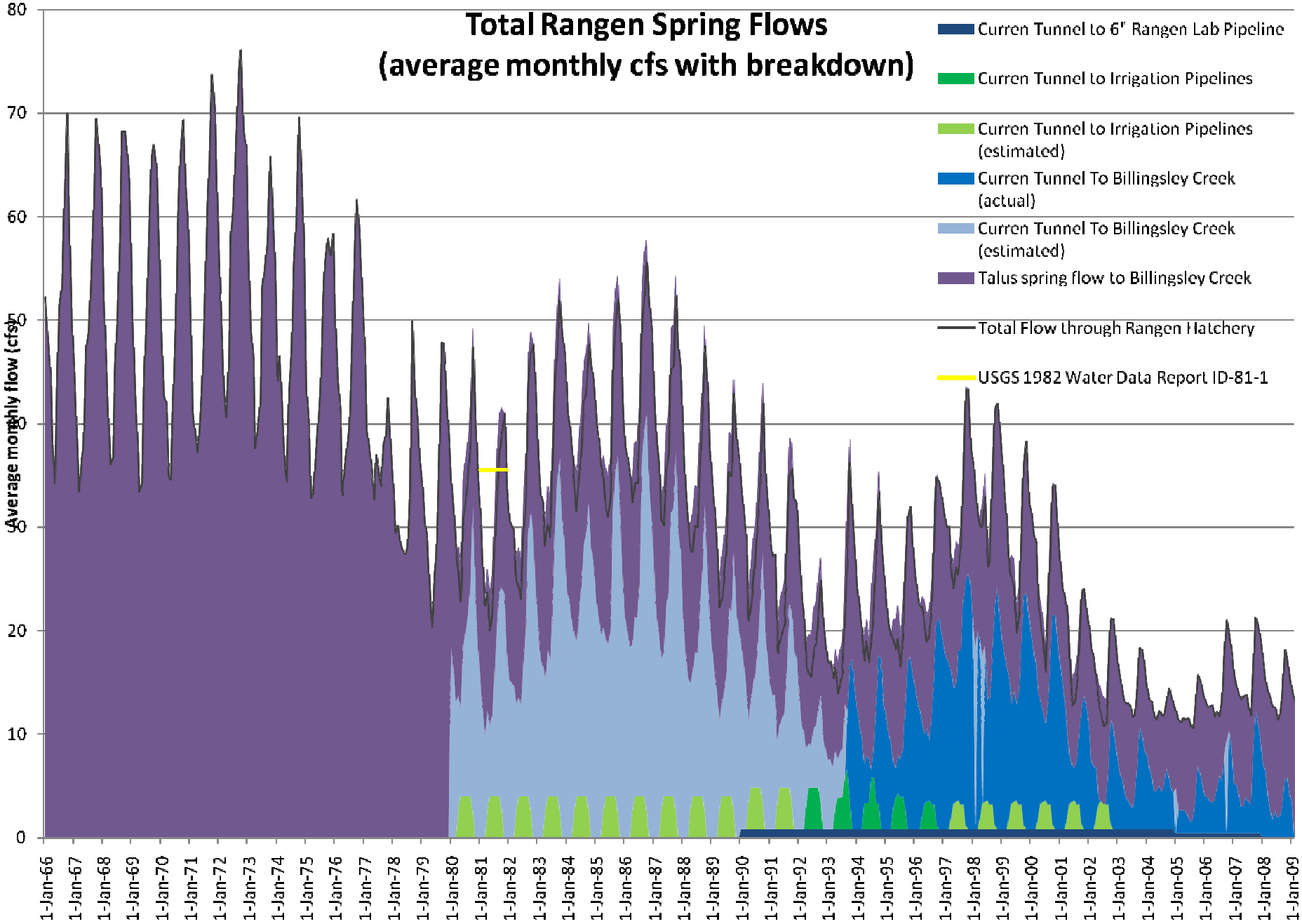
Leonard Rice Engineers

Introduction

- Leonard Rice Engineers
  - Gregg Ten Eyck, Dennis McGrane
  - Wayne Courtney, Rangen Inc.
  - Declining spring flows and valuation
- Dr. Michael McDonald, Dr. Chuck Brendecke

- Before starting the trip, glimpse of where are we going.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Talus spring flow to Billingsley Creek
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USGS 1982 Water Data Report ID-81-1
Average monthly flow (cfs)
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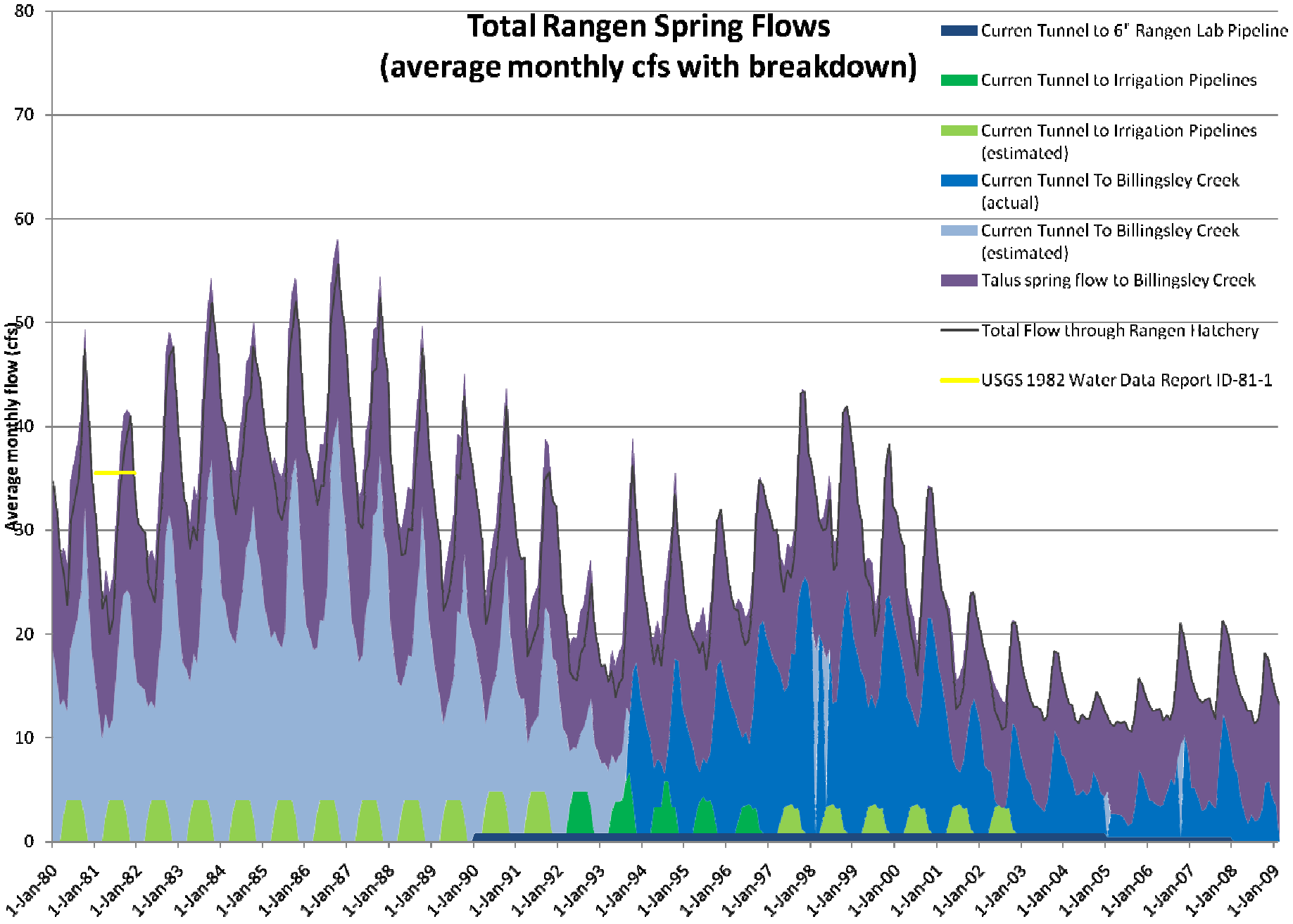
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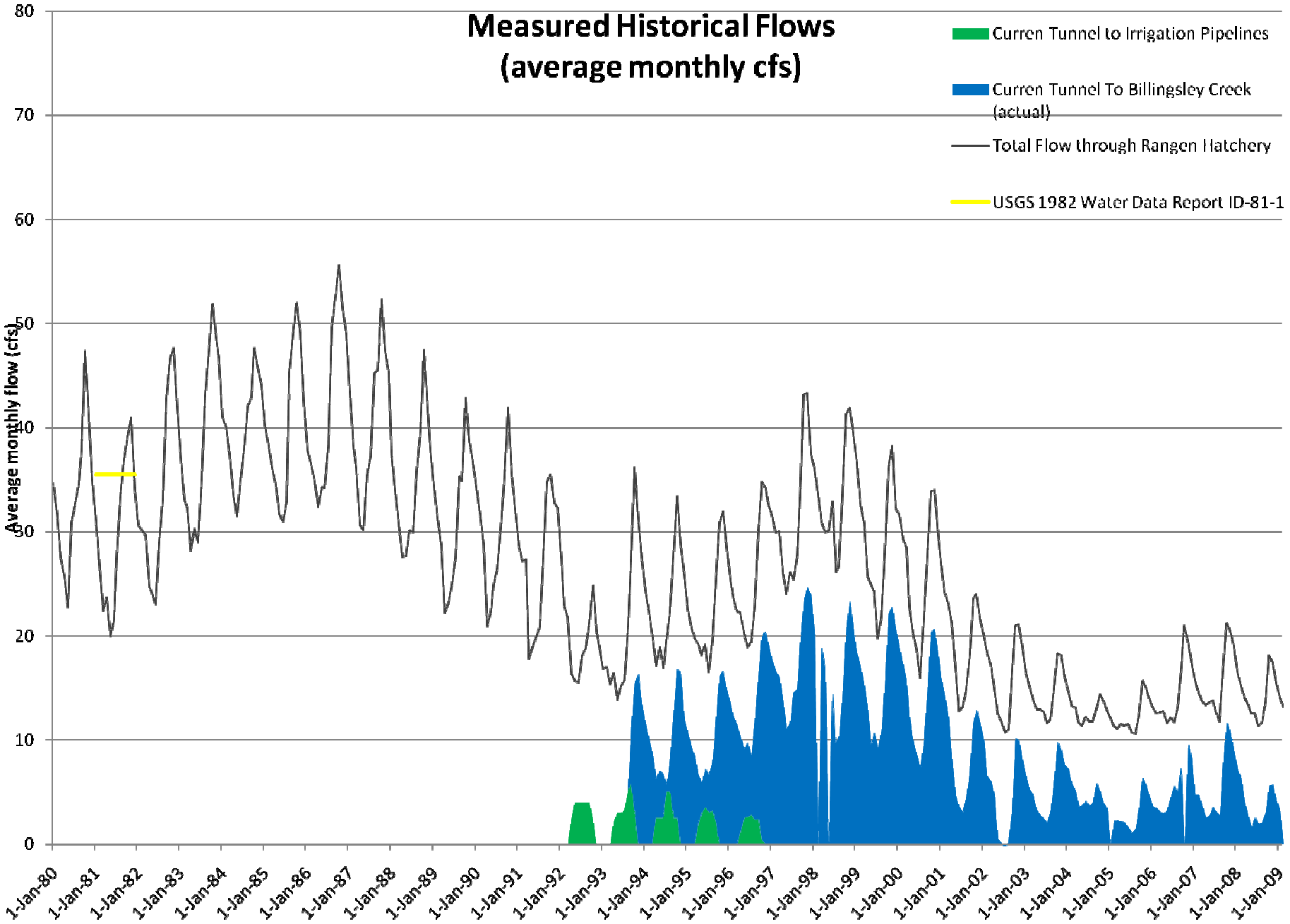
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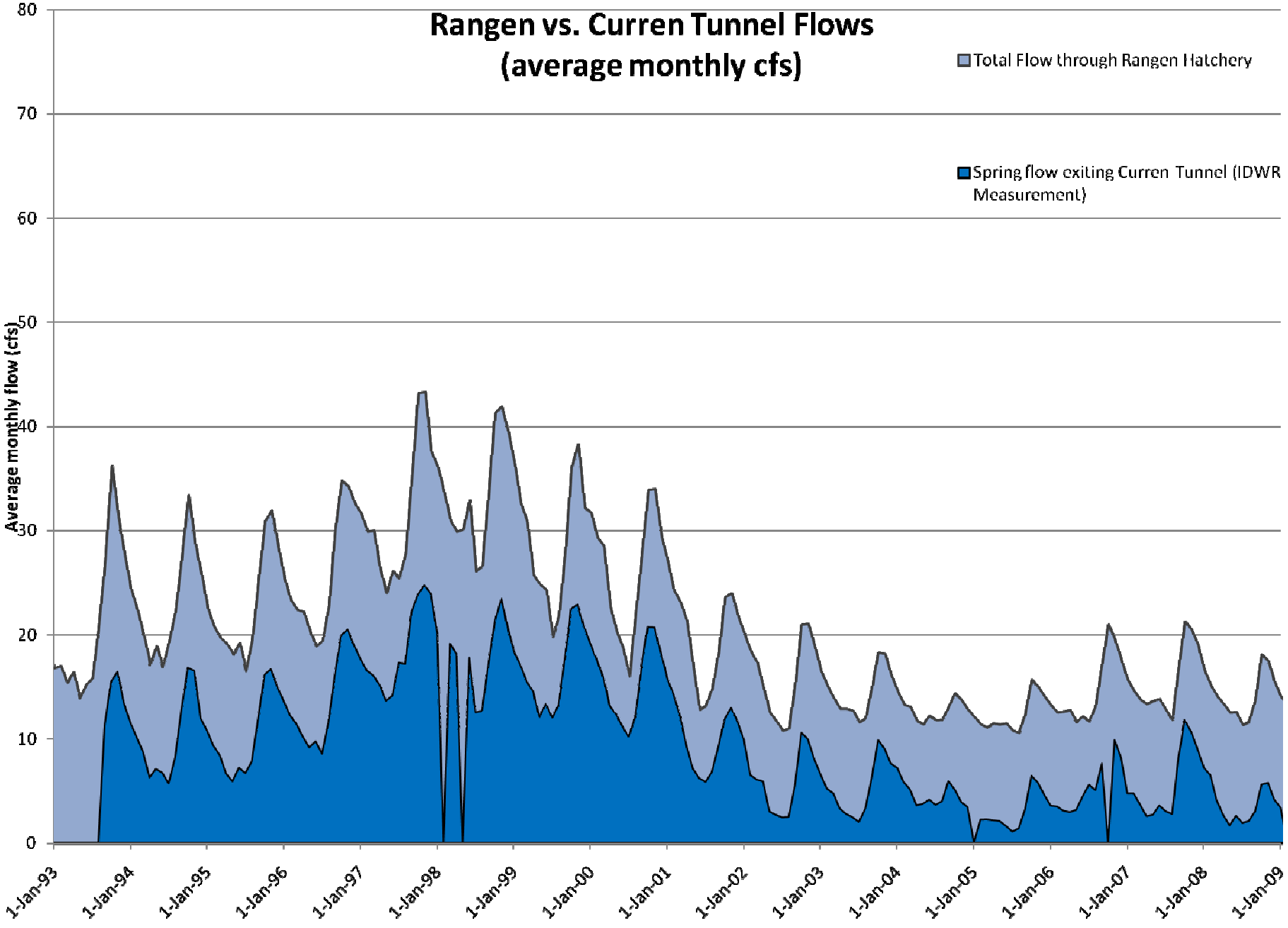
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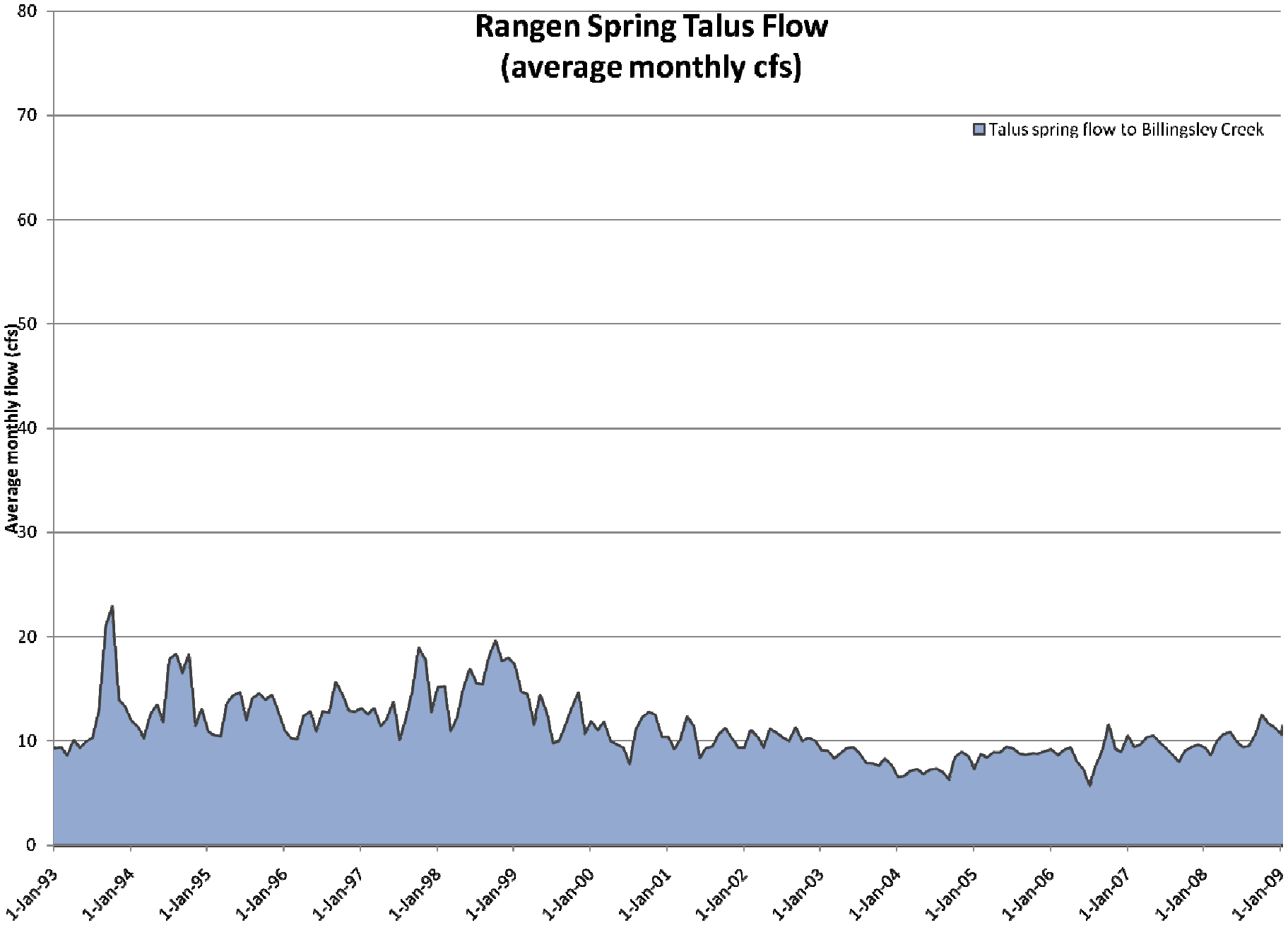
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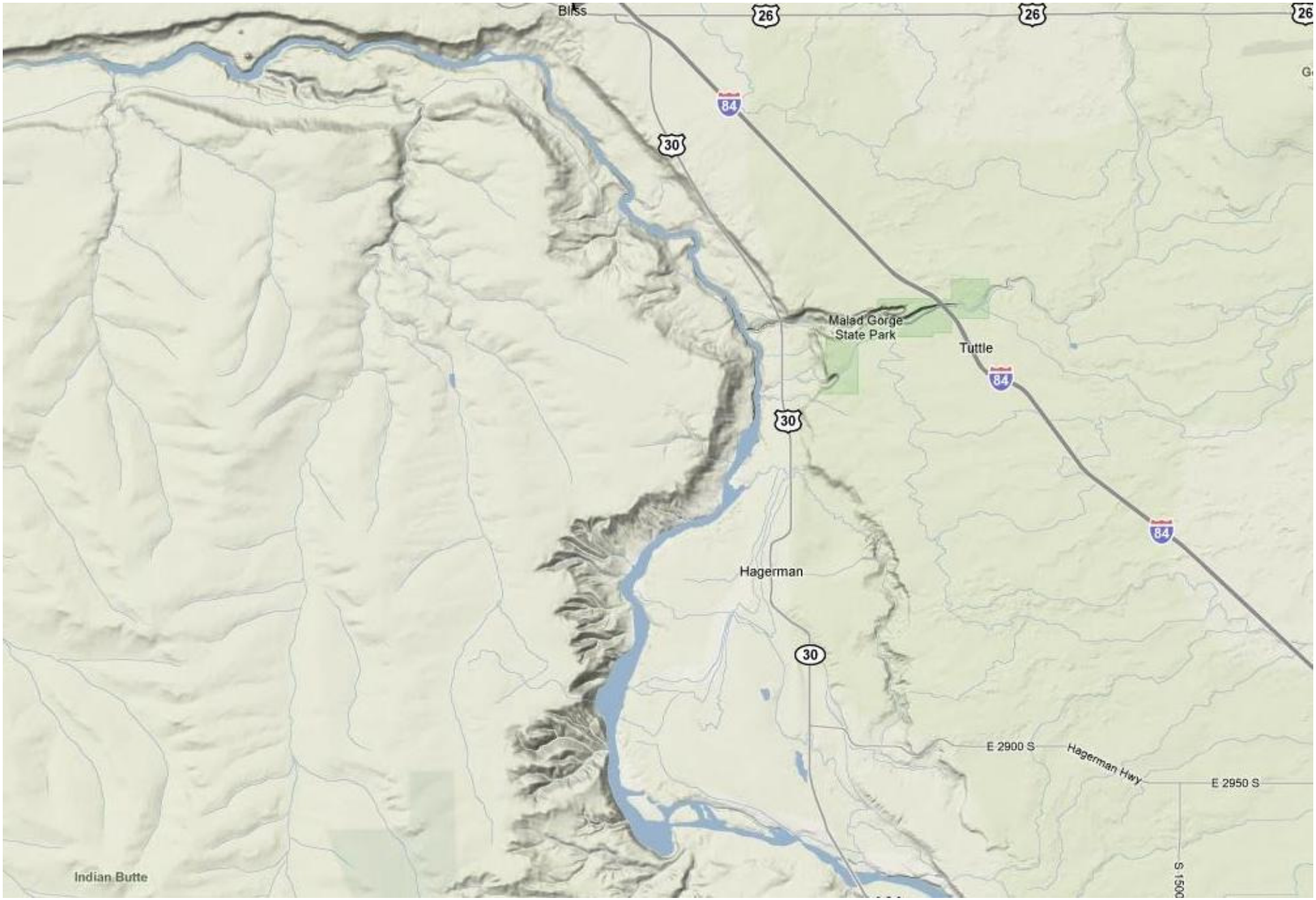
PERSPECTIVE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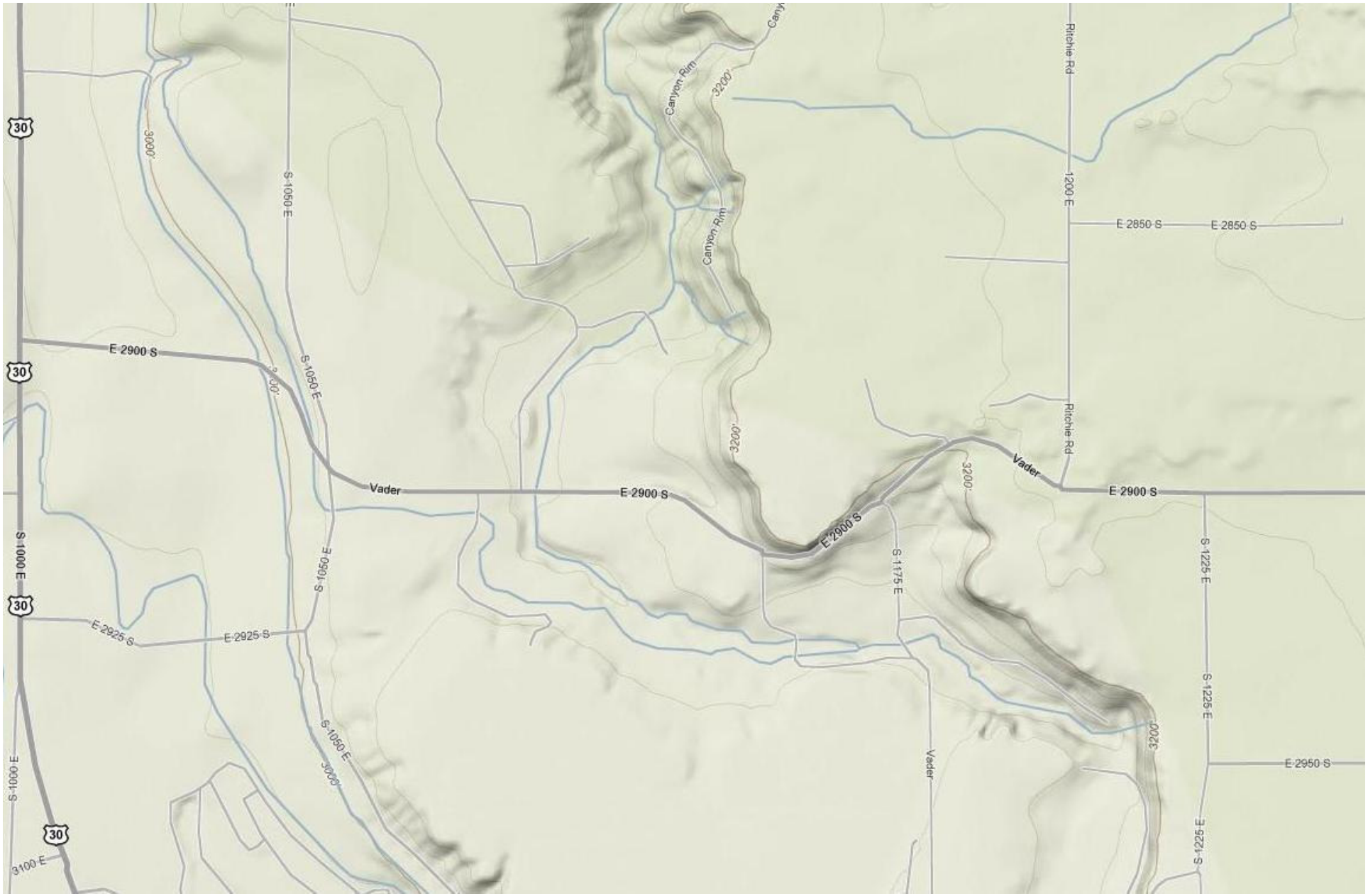
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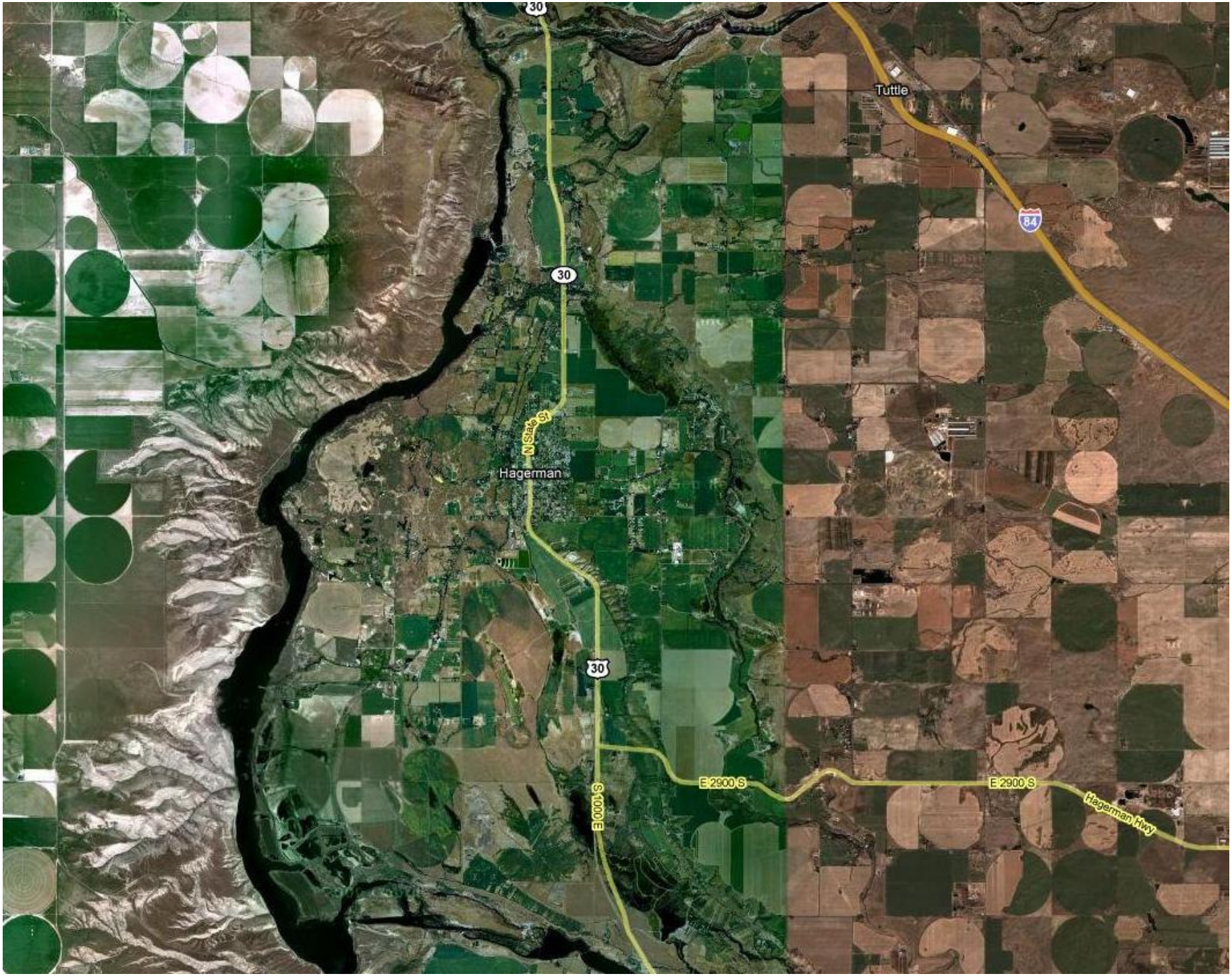
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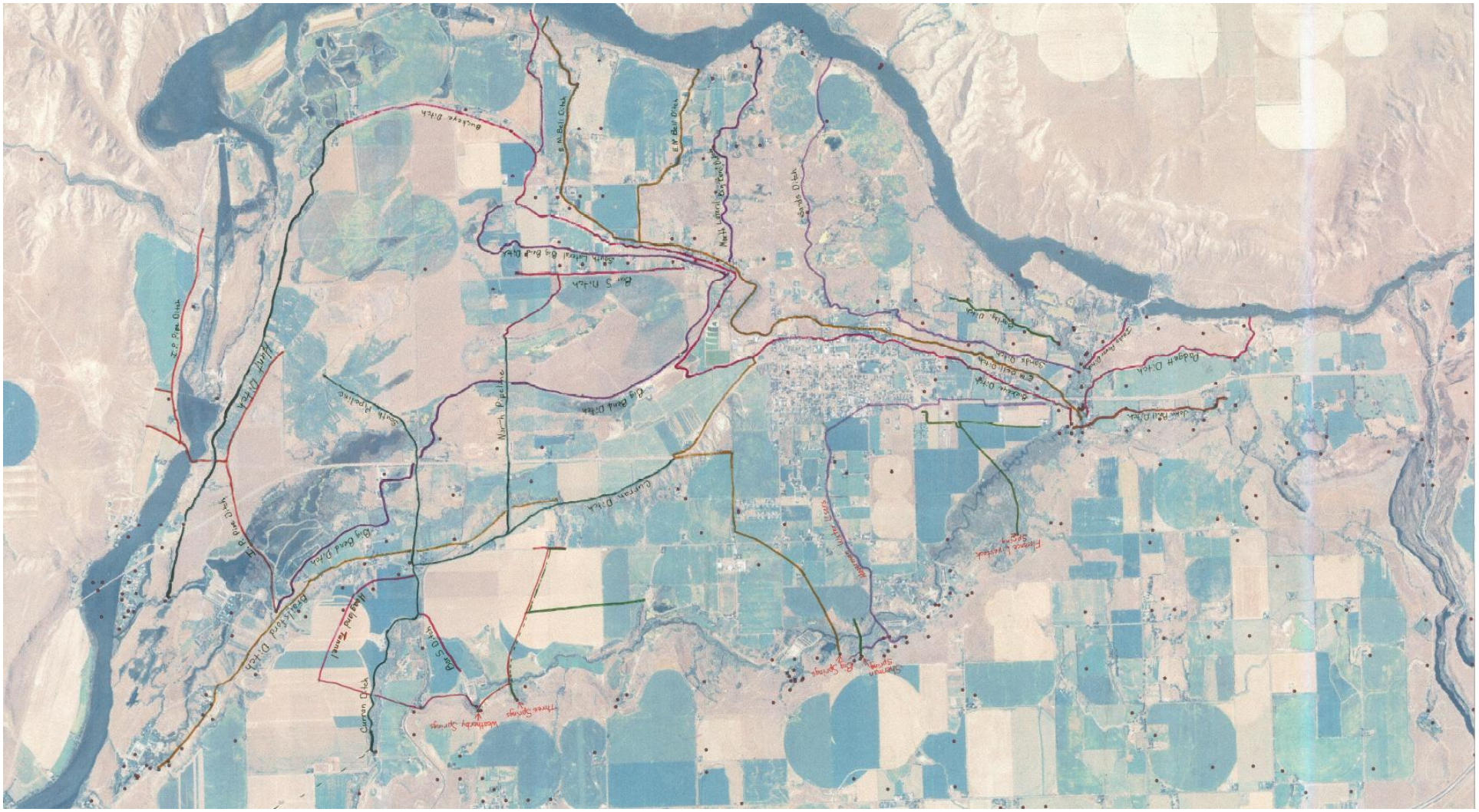
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Hart Ditch
T.P. Pipe Ditch
Big Bend Ditch
Pettiford Ditch
Big Bend Tunnel
Curran Ditch
Three Springs
Meatherby Springs
Big S Ditch
Sandy Beach Ditch
Elm Bell Ditch
Dodge Ditch
Lower Bell Ditch
Sandy Beach Ditch
Dodge Ditch
Lower Bell Ditch
Jasmine Lateral Ditch
Finnegan Lateral
Sherman Springs
Big Springs

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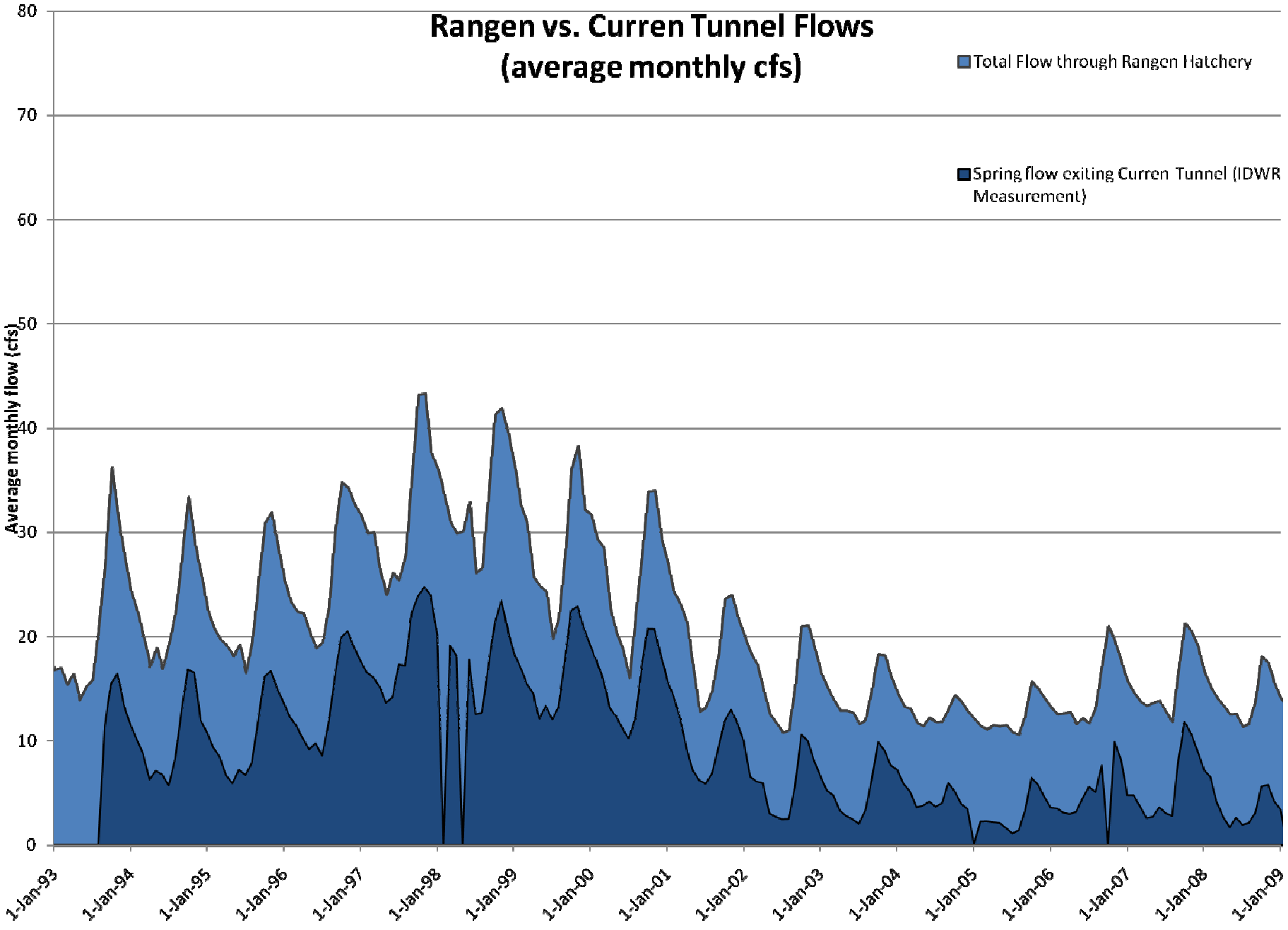
CONFINED
SPACE

But what about the high variation and ratio?

VERY CLOSELY CORRELATED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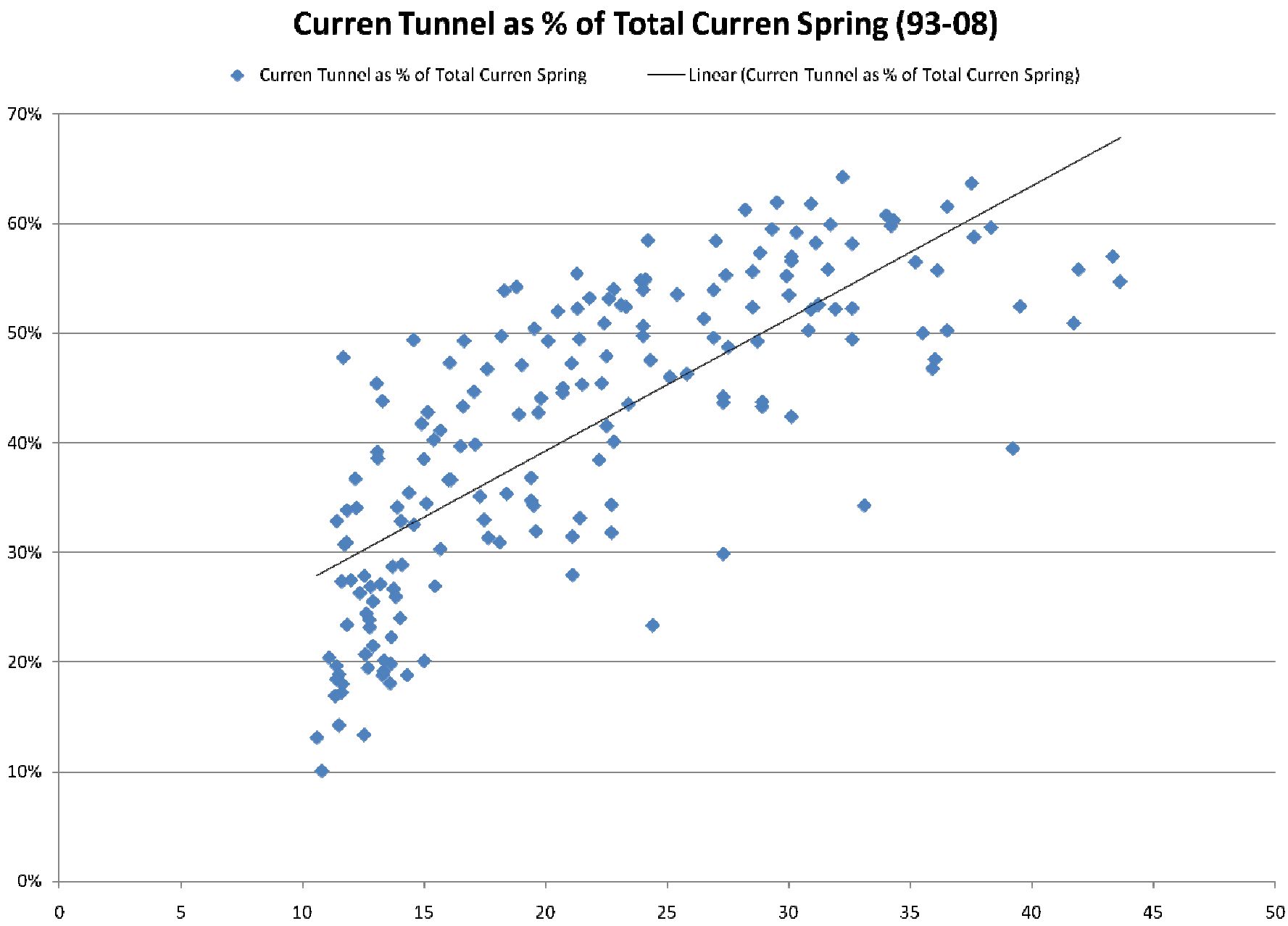
Curren Tunnel as % of Total Curren Spring (93-08)
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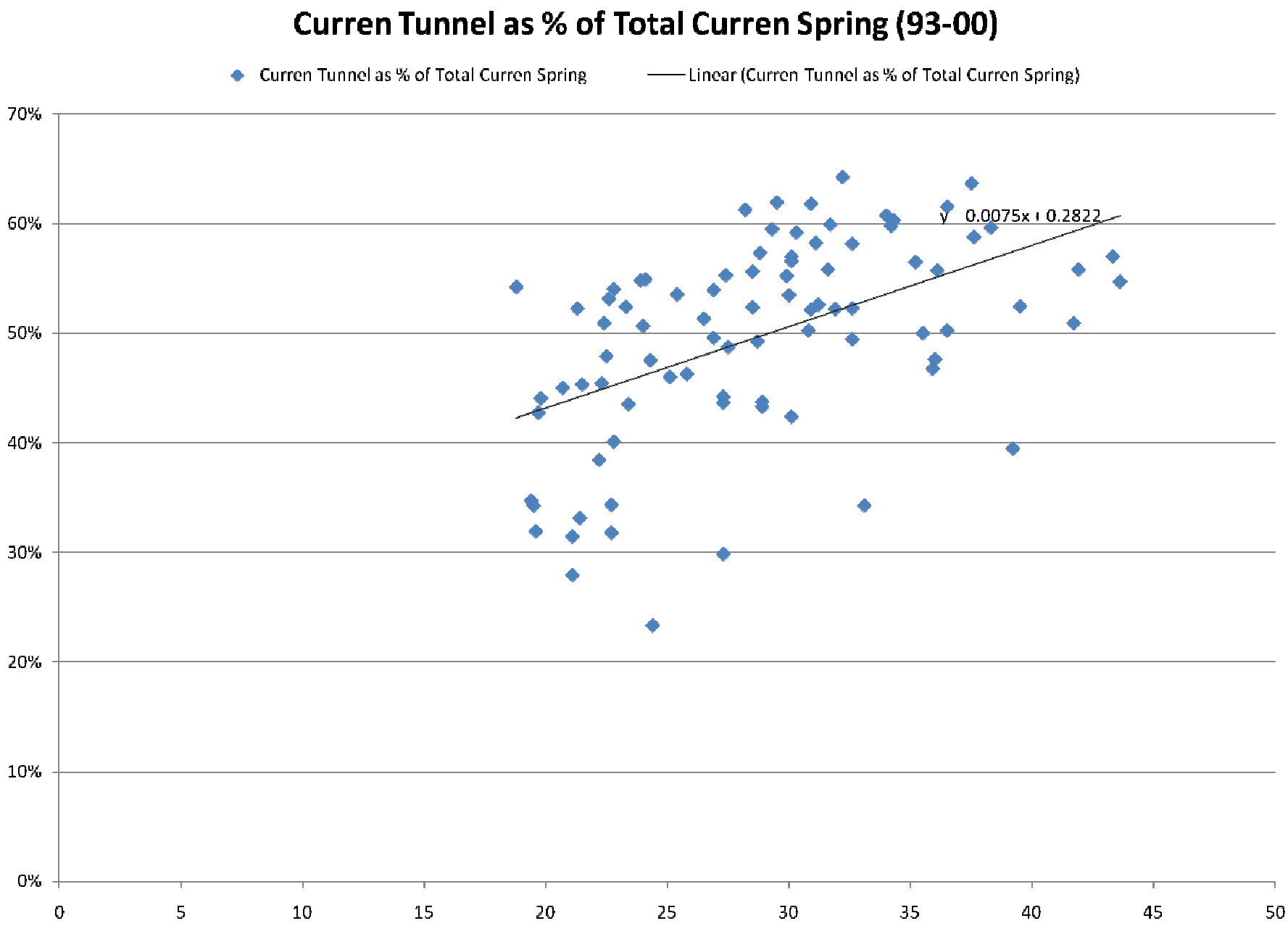
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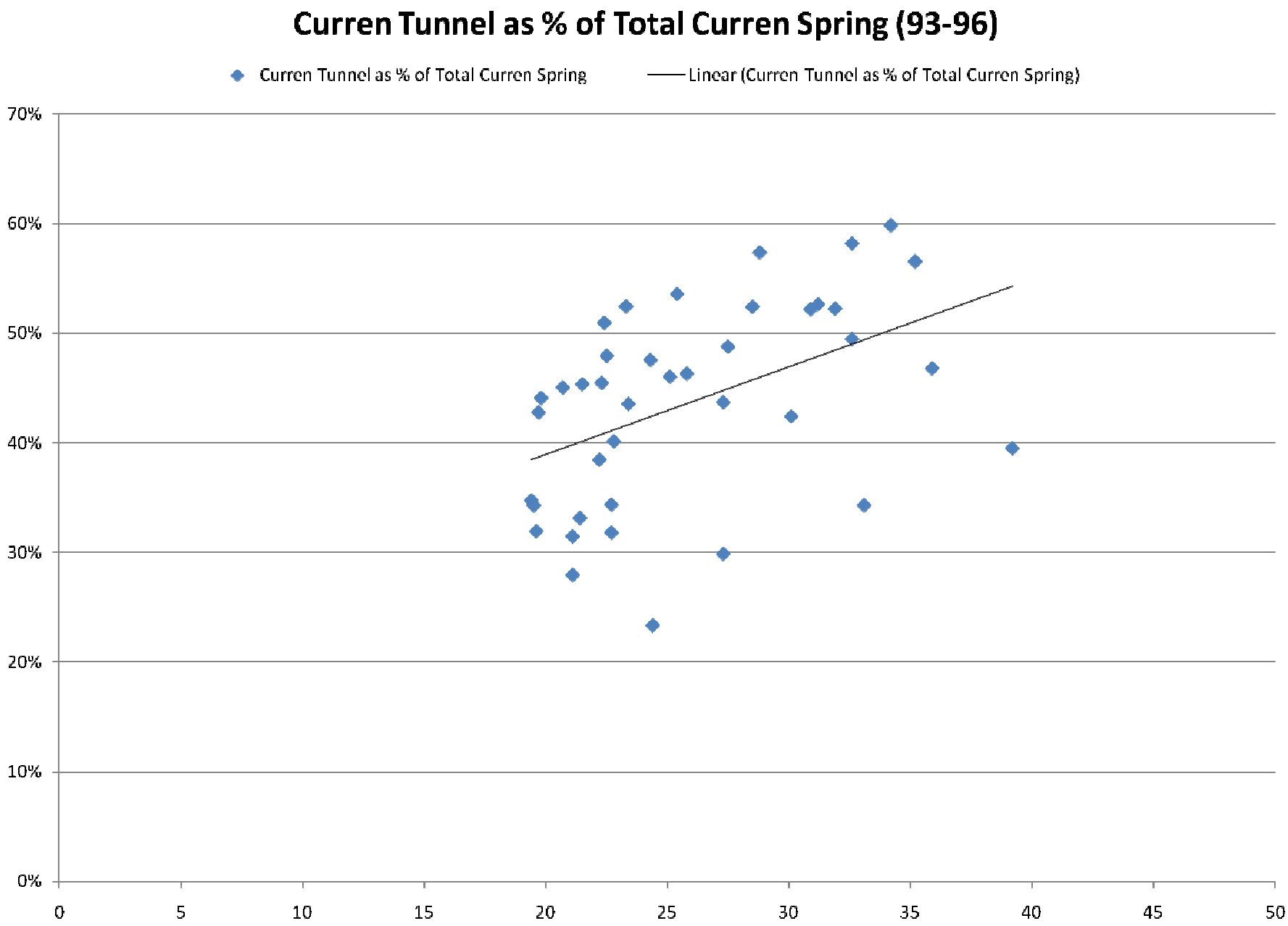
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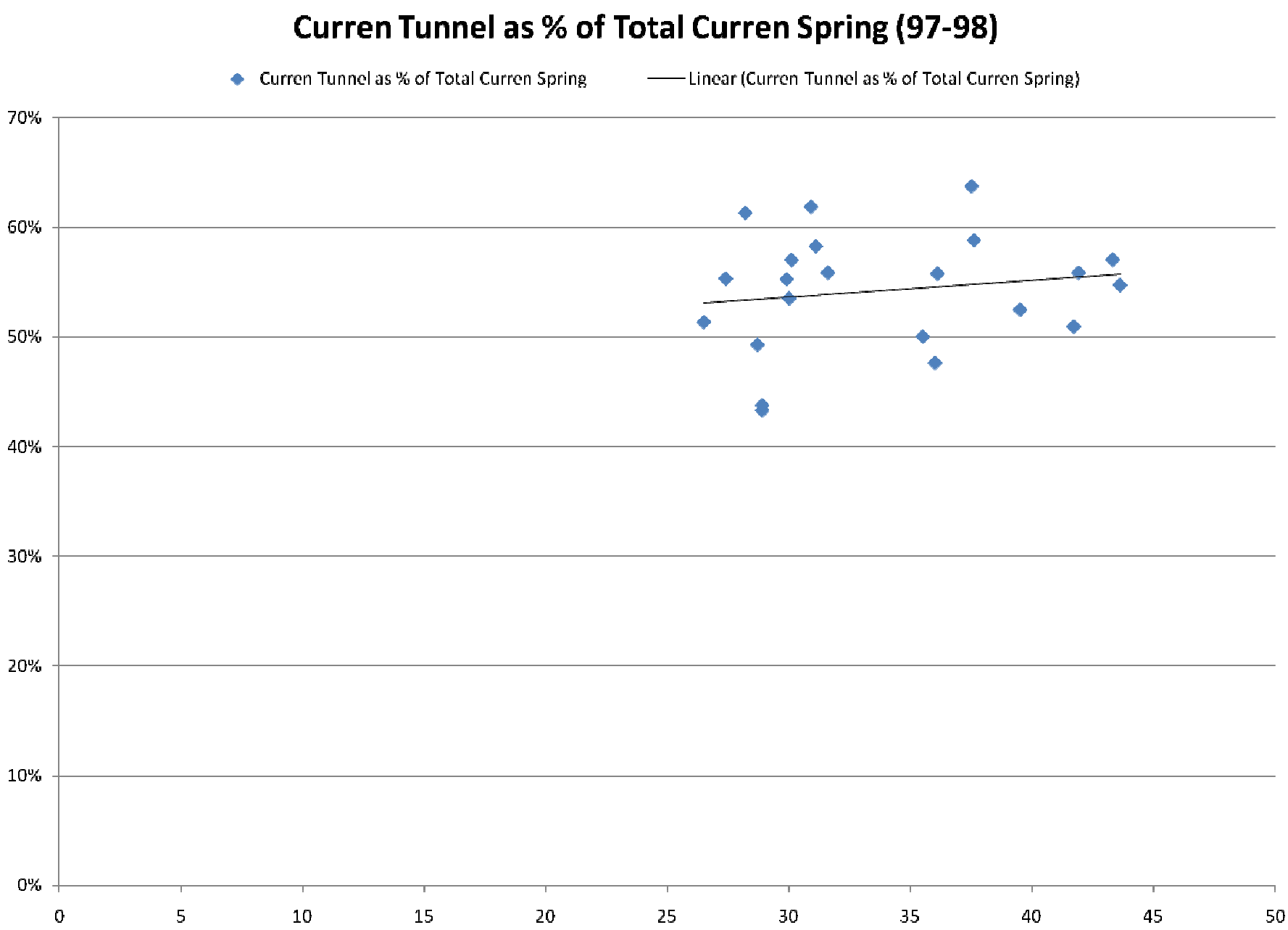
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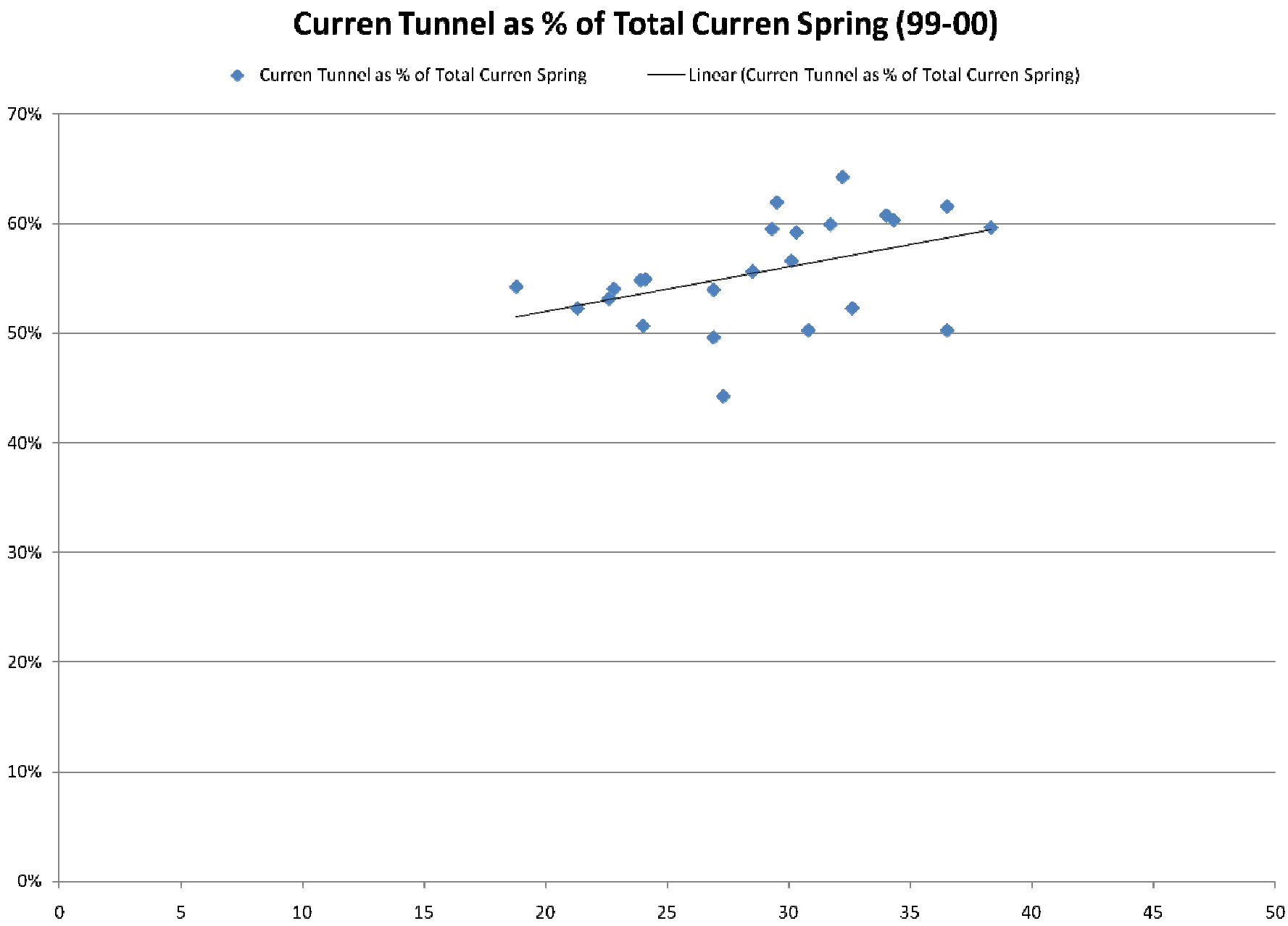
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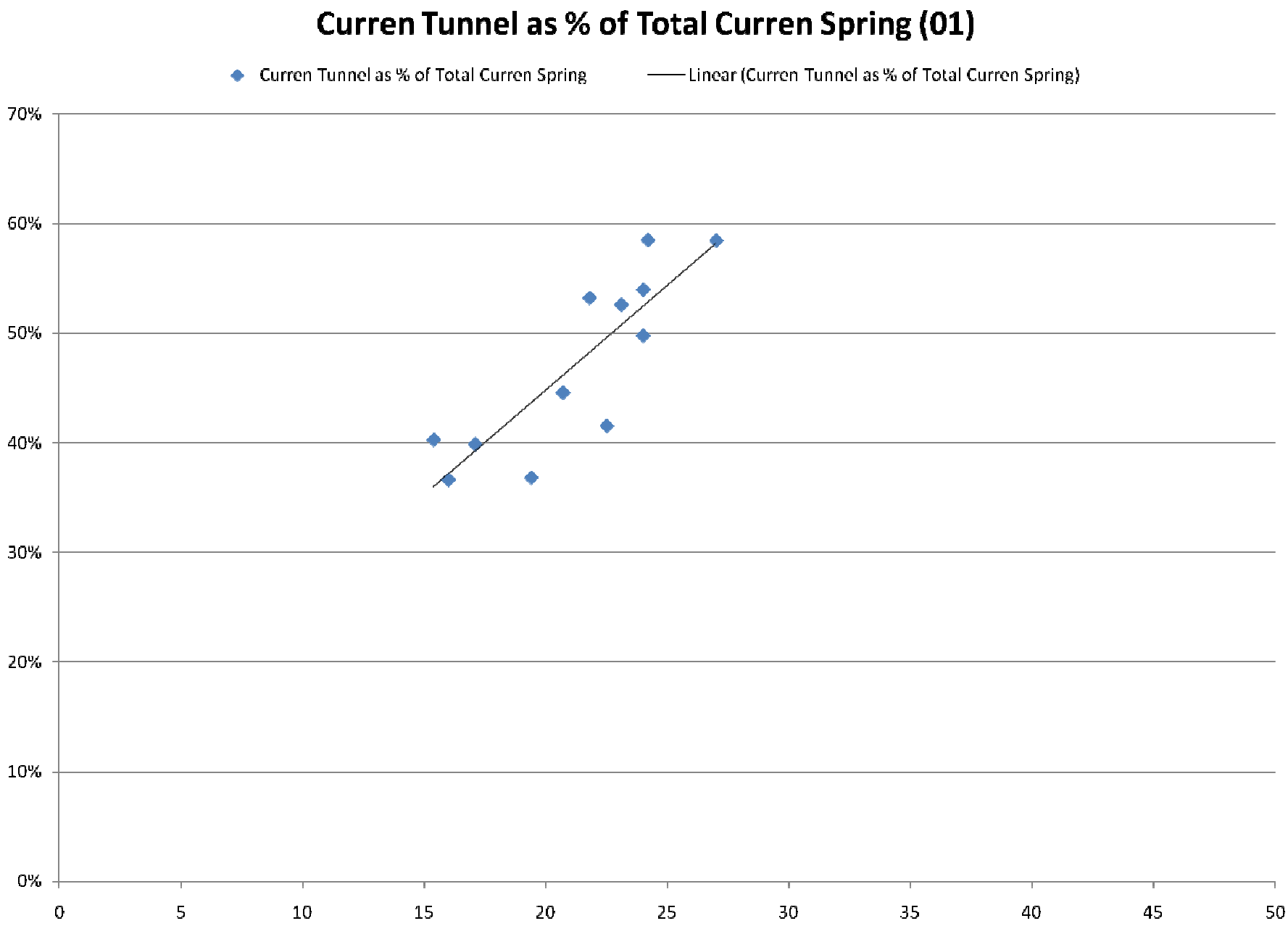
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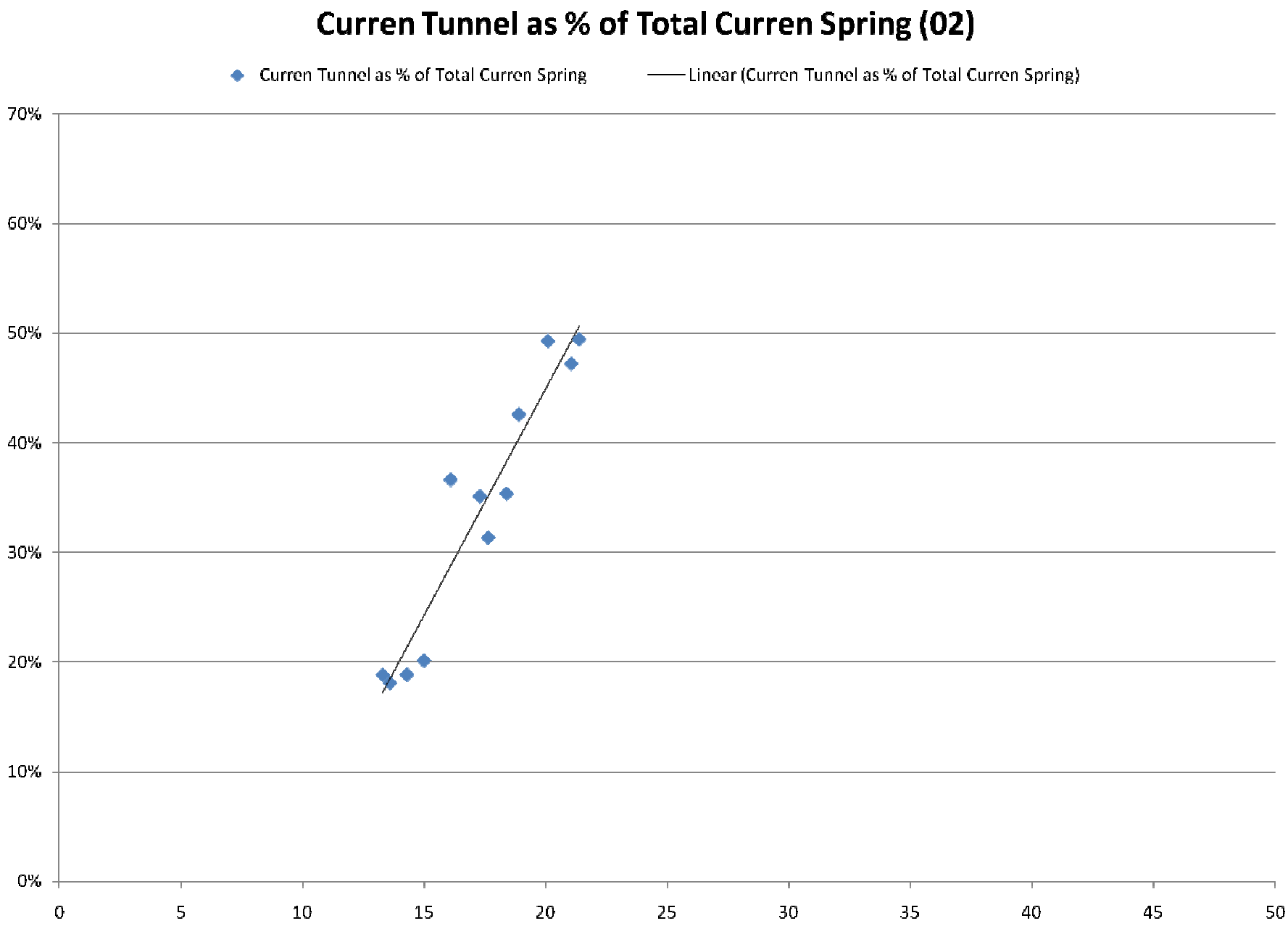
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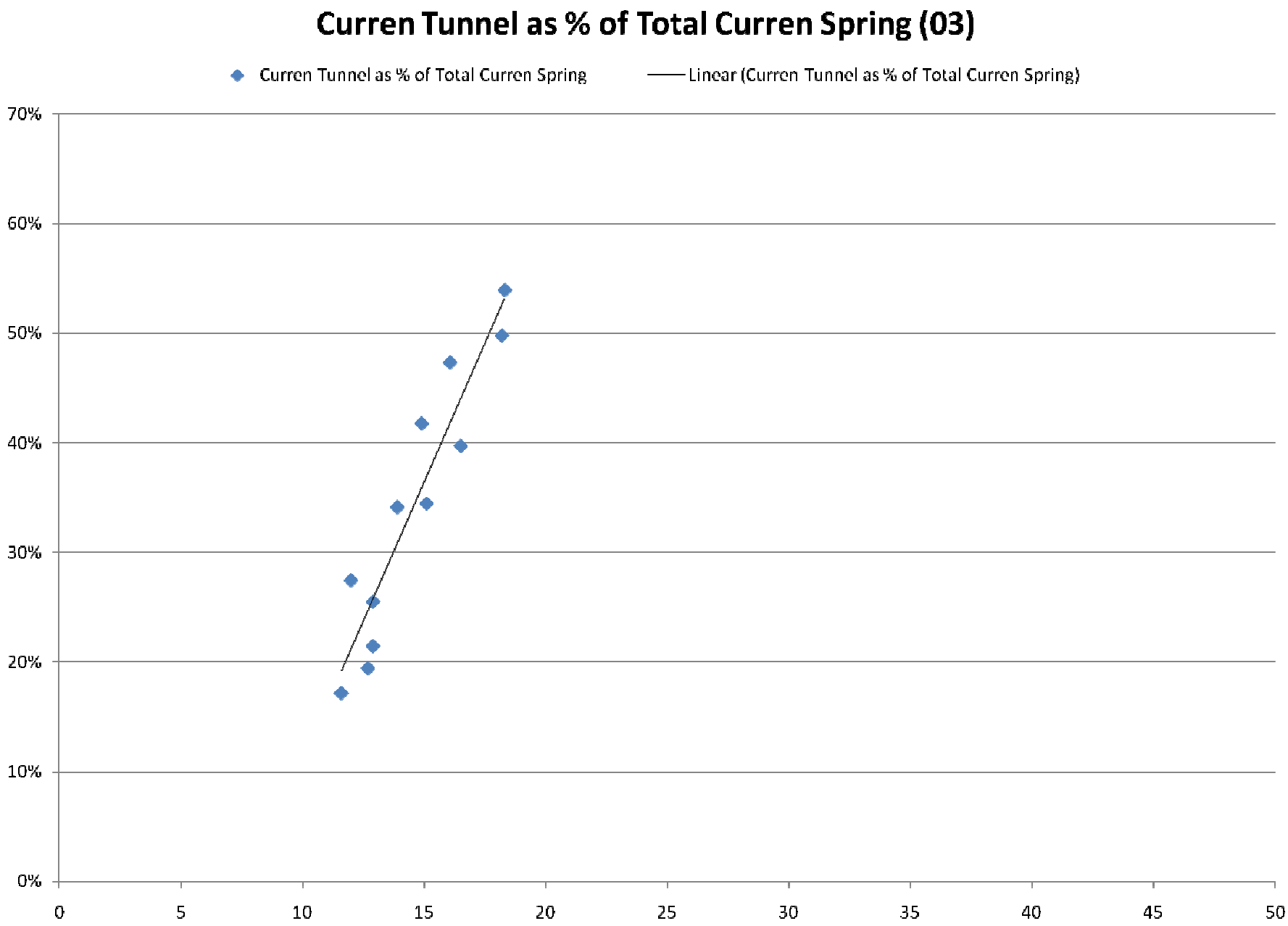
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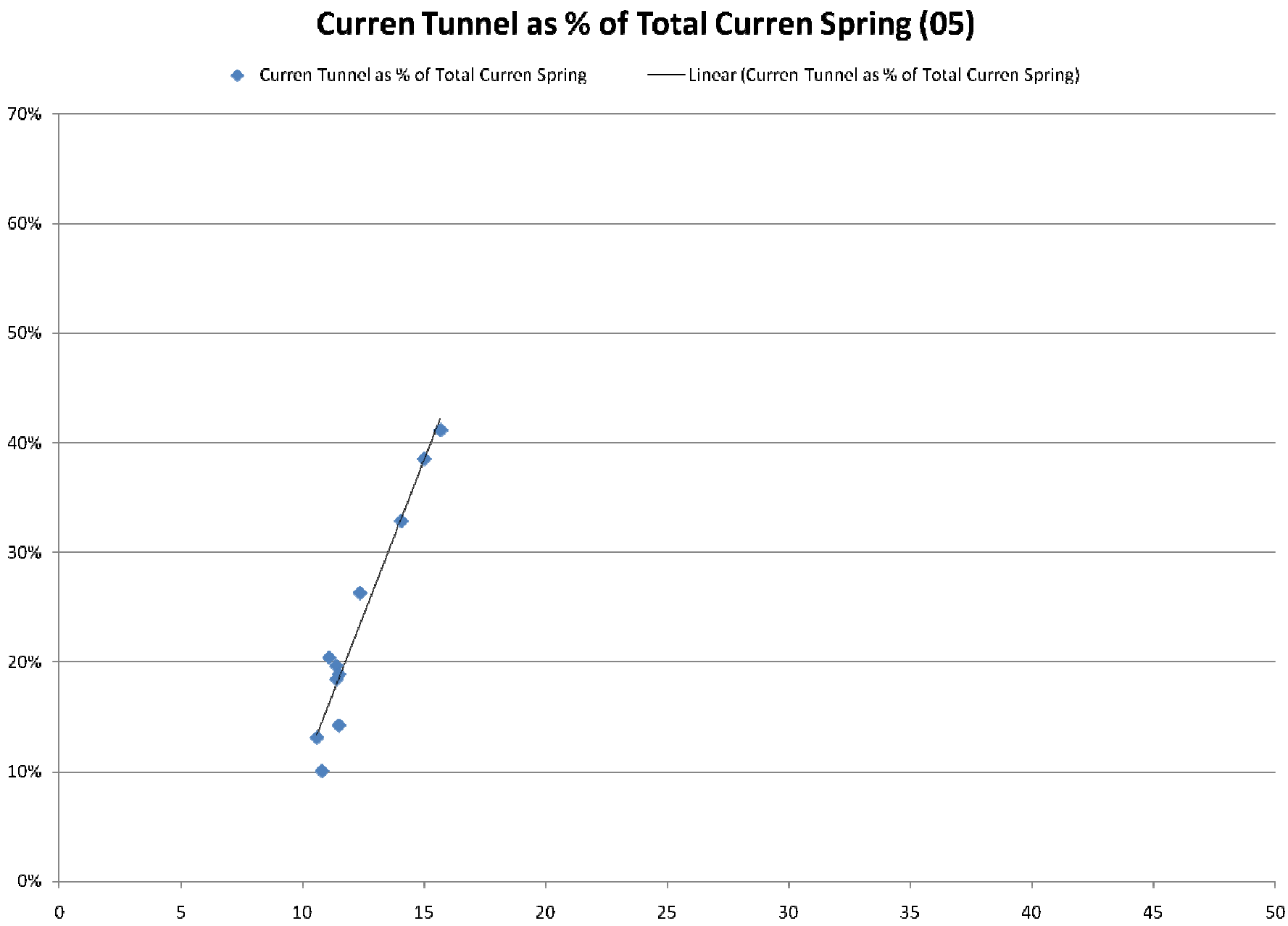
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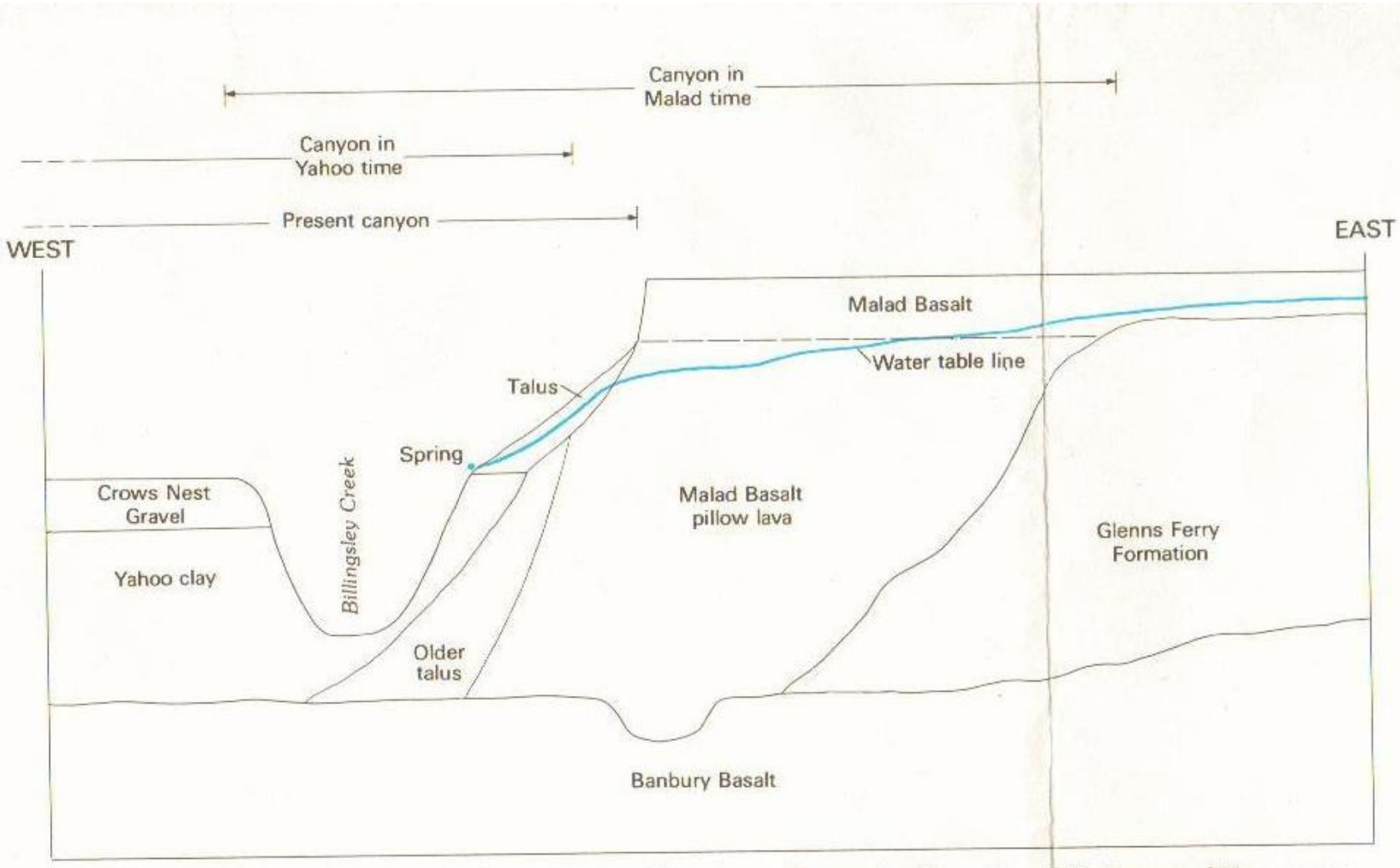
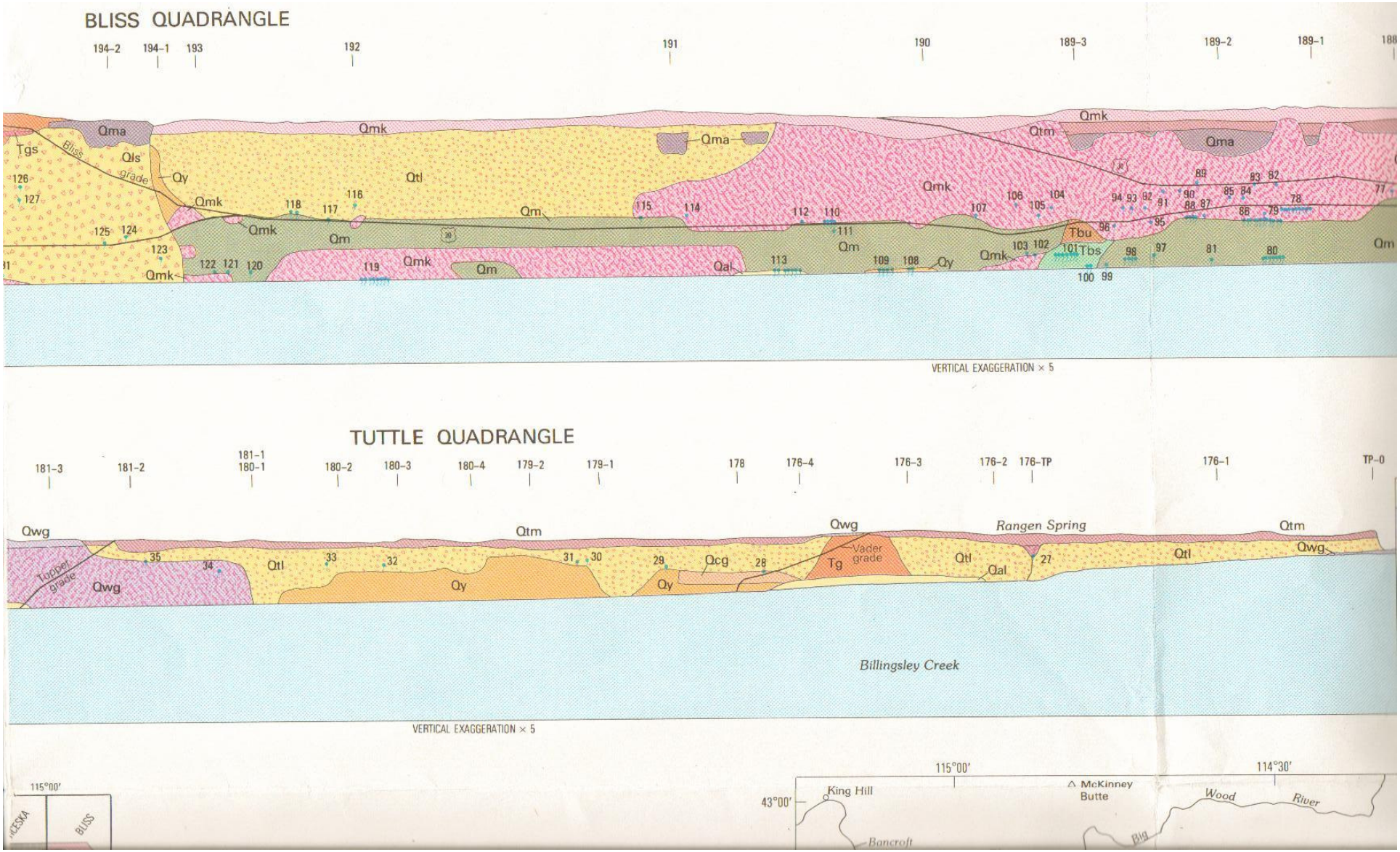


Figure 3. Schematic section of the canyon wall near profile-control location 179–1 east of Hagerman. Section shows the interpretative relation of the confining units of Yahoo Clay and Glenns Ferry sediments to the Malad Basalt canyon filling deposits.


BLISS QUADRANGLE
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VERTICAL EXAGGERATION × 5
TUTTLE QUADRANGLE
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Billingsley Creek
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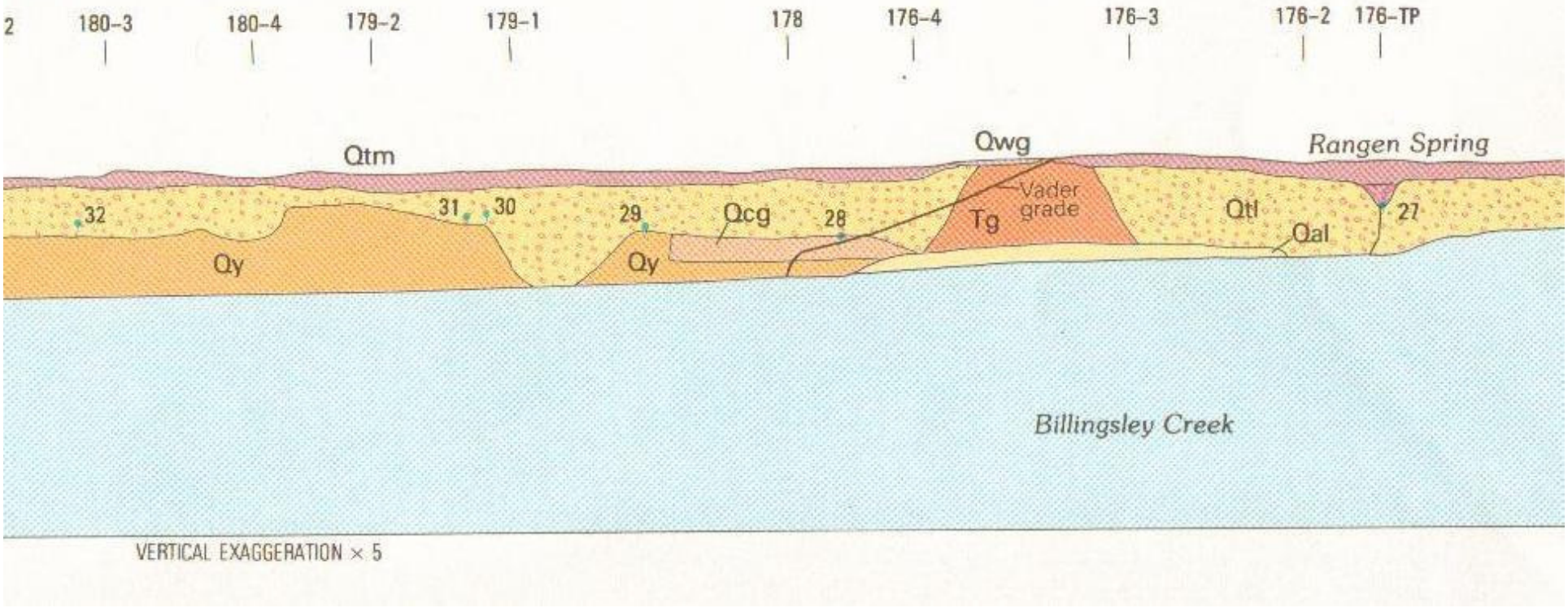

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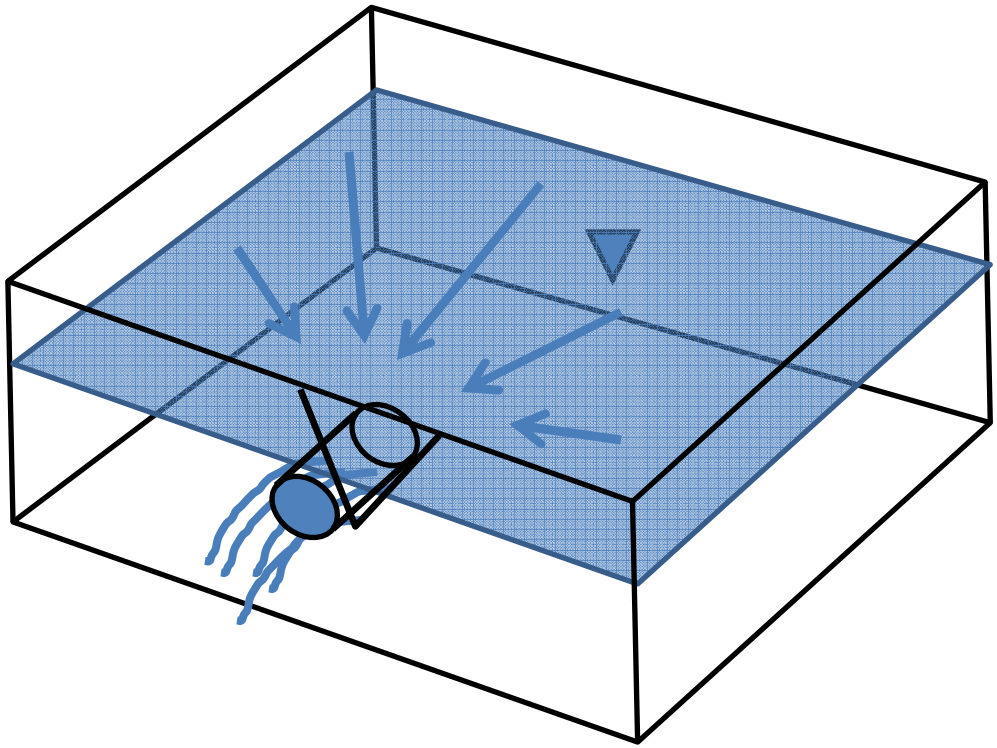
Understanding 1

BATHTUB AND A V-NOTCH



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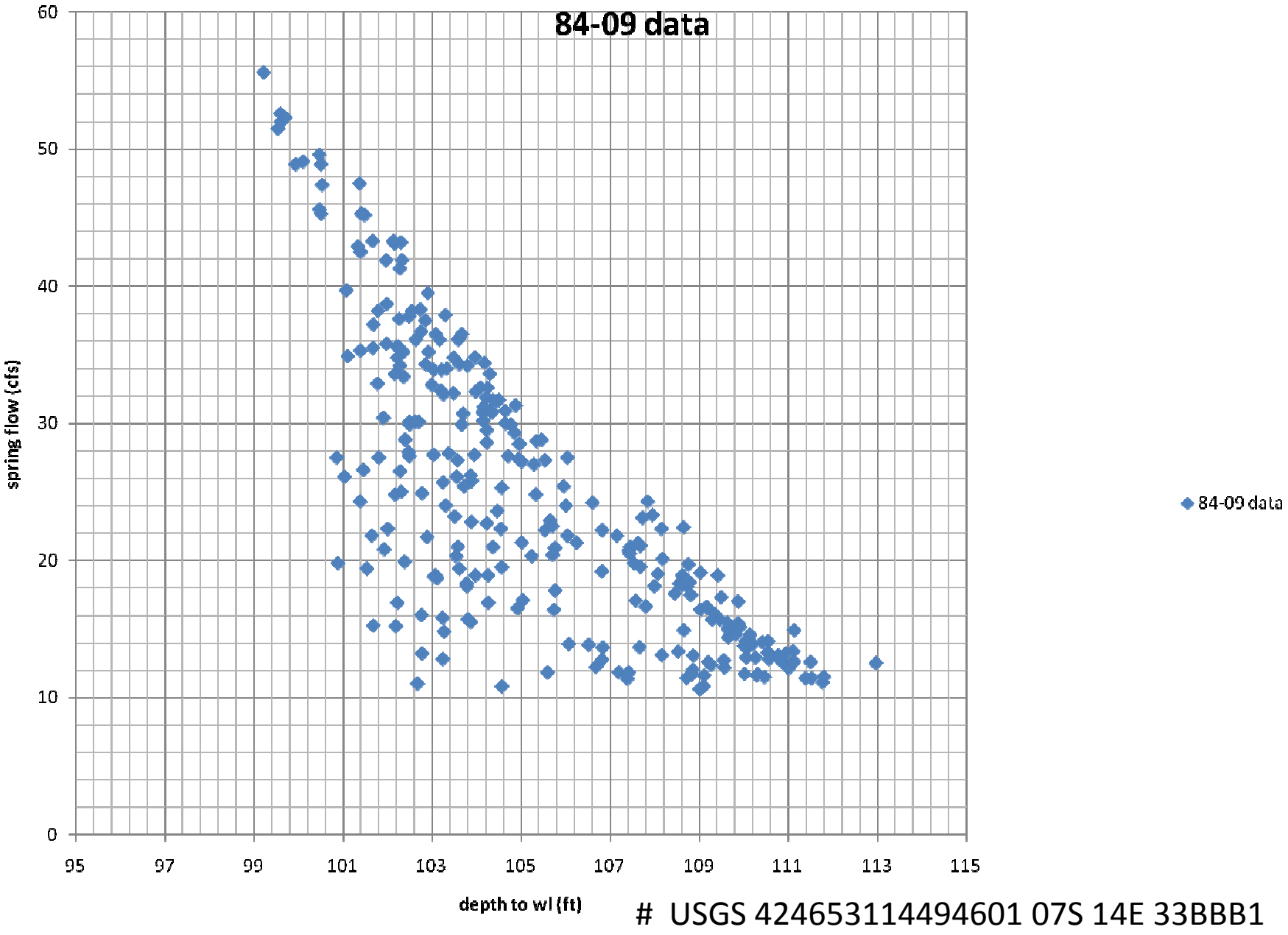

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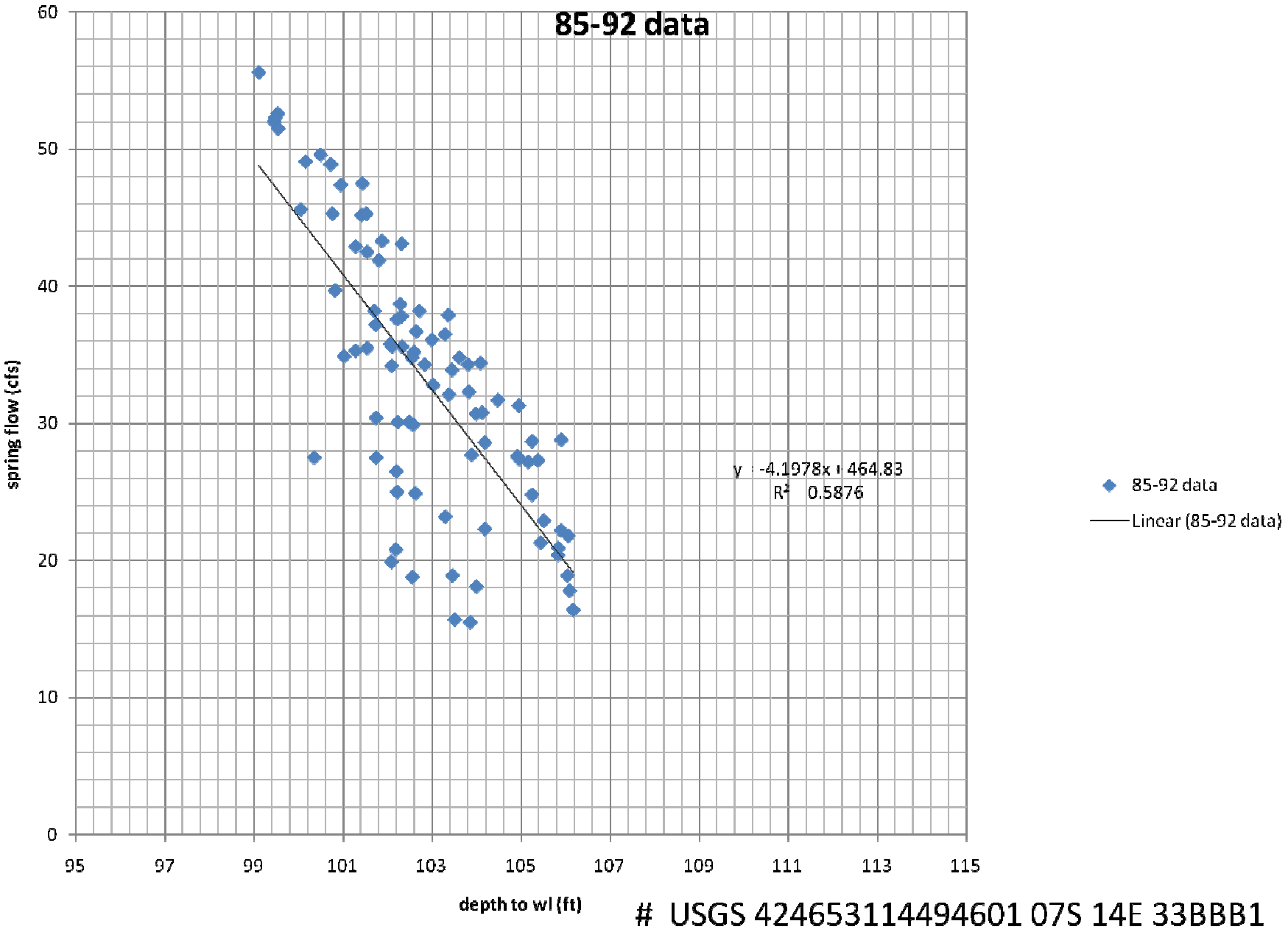

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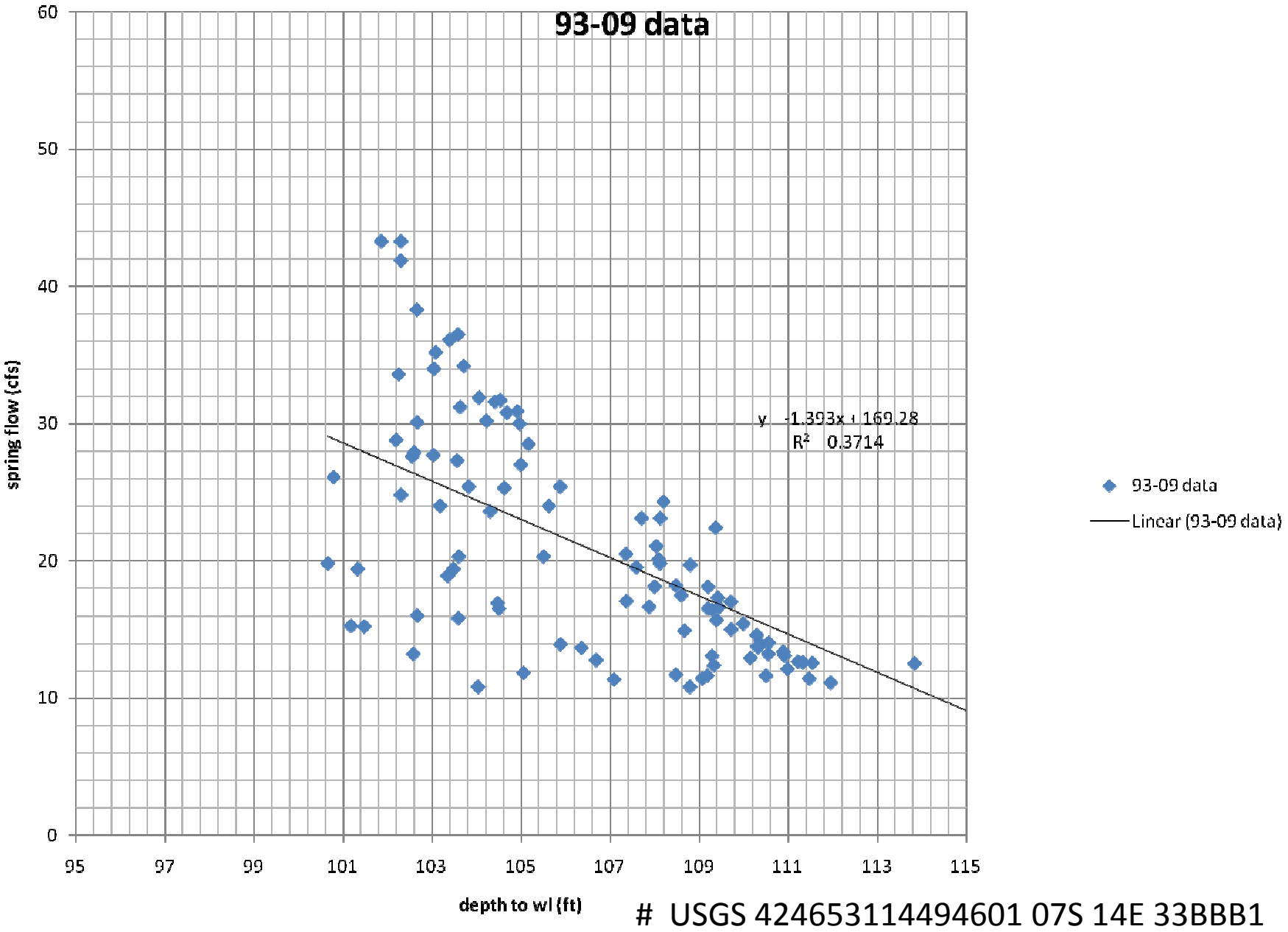

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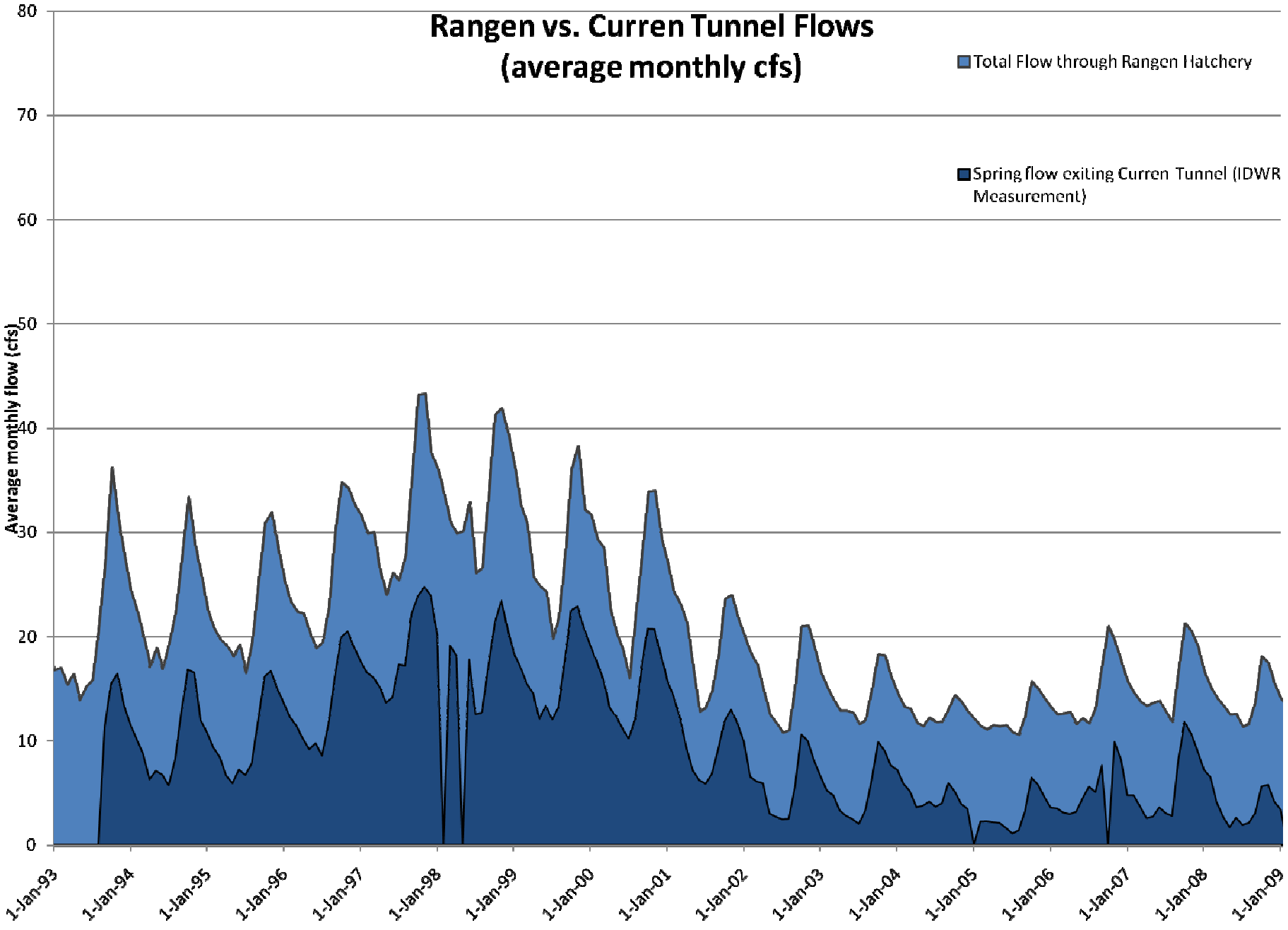
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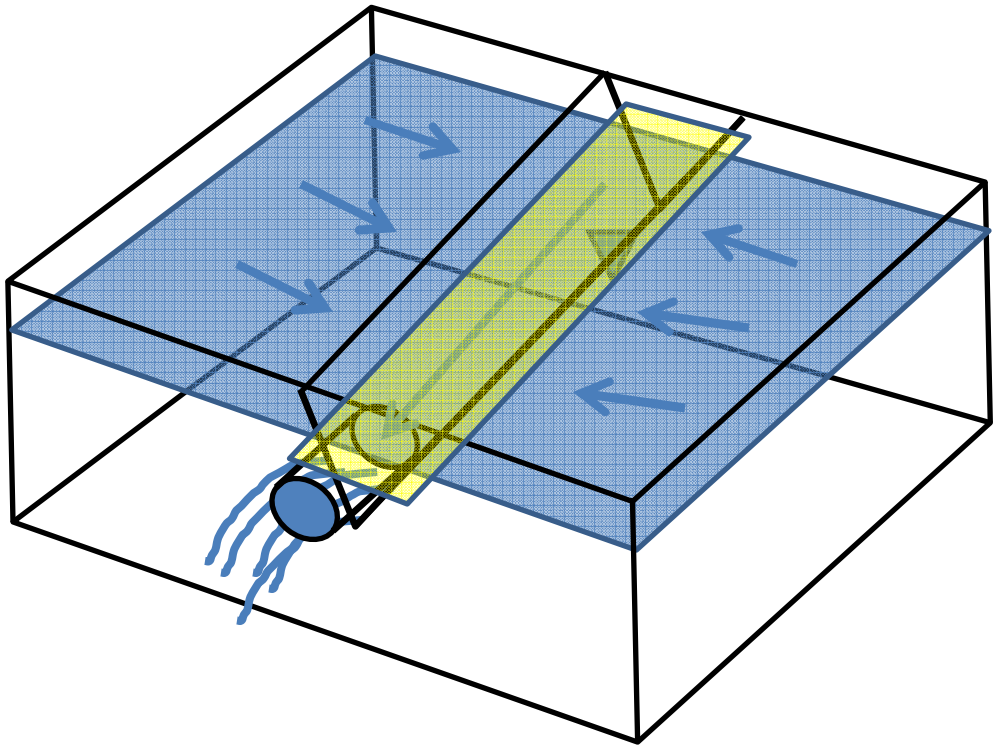
C. Neal Farmer, IDWR, “Review of Hydrogeologic Conditions Located At and Adjacent To the Spring at Rangen Inc.

LOCAL SCALE HIGHLY PERMEABLE CHANNEL



Straight face test…Darcy

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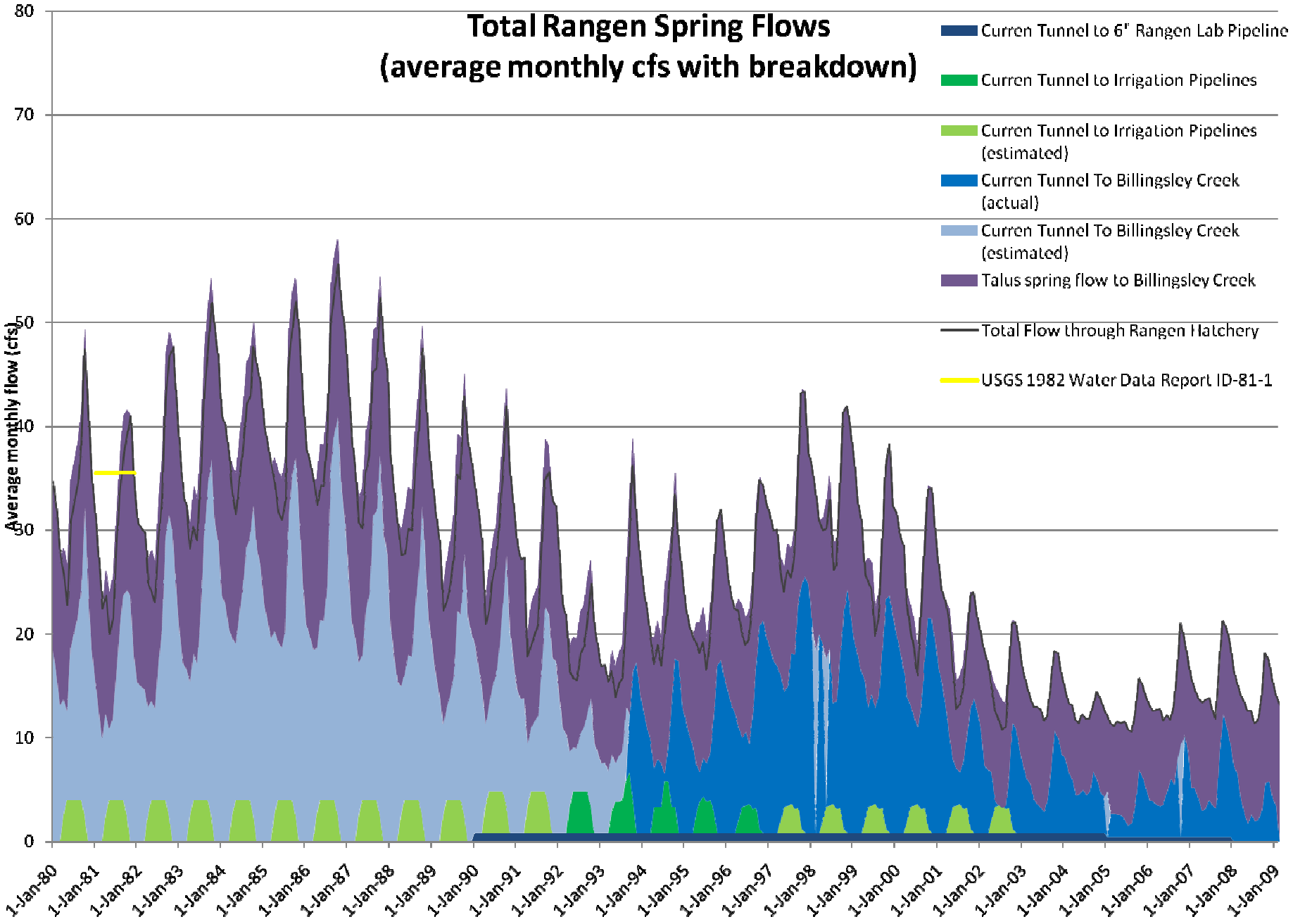
Total Rangen Spring Flows
(average monthly cfs with breakdown)
Curren Tunnel to 6" Rangen Lab Pipeline
Curren Tunnel to Irrigation Pipelines
Curren Tunnel to Irrigation Pipelines (estimated)
Curren Tunnel To Billingsley Creek (actual)
Curren Tunnel To Billingsley Creek (estimated)
Talus spring flow to Billingsley Creek
Total Flow through Rangen Hatchery
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Average monthly flow (cfs)
0
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