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Introduction

This report is the second* in a series of oil and gas reserve investigations undertaken for those counties in which oil and/or gas is currently being produced.

This study involves Rio Blanco County, located in northwestern Colorado, approximately 45 miles north of Grand Junction, Colorado. The major structural features in this area are the eastern edge of the Uinta Basin, the Douglas Creek Arch and the northern half of the Piceance Basin. Rio Blanco county covers 3,264 square miles. In this county oil and gas are produced from, in descending order of age, the Green River (Douglas Creek) Formation, Wasatch Sandstone, Fort Union Sandstone, Mesaverde Sandstone, Emery Sandstone, Niobrara Limestone, Mancos Shale, Dakota Sandstone, Cedar Mountain Shale, Morrison Sandstone, Sundance (Entrada) Sandstone, Shinarump Conglomerate and Weber Sandstone. Gas alone is produced from, in descending order of age, the Castlegate Sandstone, Morapas Sandstone and Buckhorn Sandstone.

There are 34 fields considered active producers as of December 31, 1982. Of these, 7 are classified as oil fields (based on cumulative gas-oil ratio (GOR) or <15:1), and 27 are classified as gas fields (based on cumulative GOR > 15:1).

Two of the oil fields are undergoing secondary recovery by injected fluids. They are Rangely Field in the Weber Sandstone and Wilson Creek Field in both the Sundance Sandstone and Morrison Sandstone. Table I shows the amounts of injected fluids for 1982 and the cumulative amount of injected fluids through 1982.

* Refer to:

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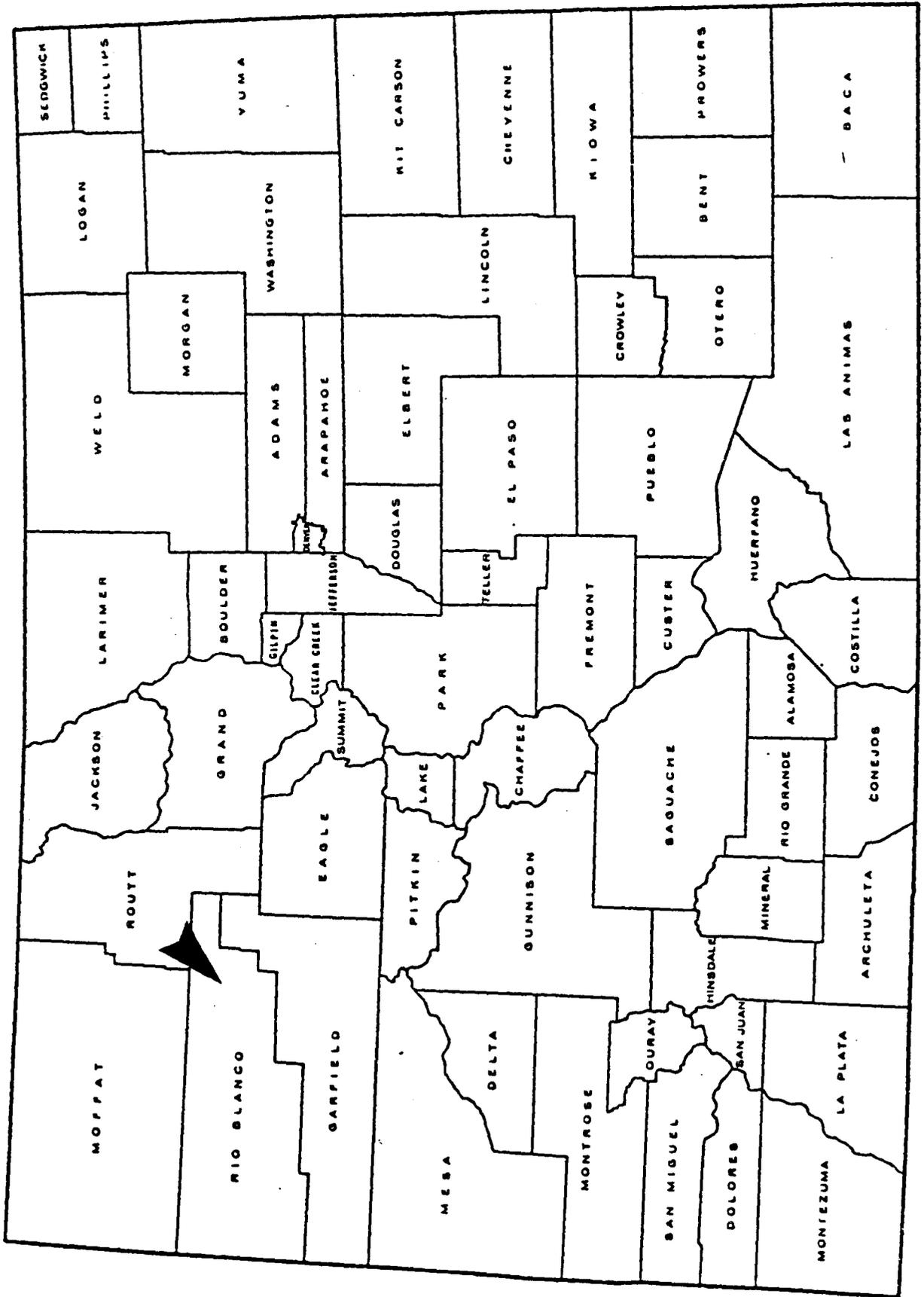


Figure 1 County Location Map

TABLE I

Summary of Secondary Recovery Projects
by Injected Fluids
for Rio Blanco County

Field Name/ Horizon	Operator	Initial Inj. Date	Injected Water (bbls or MCF) 1982	Cumulative through 1982
Rangely/ Weber Sand	Chevron Oil Co.	12-25-57	142,631,474 (bbls.)	2,113,033,473 (bbls.)
Rangely-NE Unit/ Weber Sand	Grace Pet. Corp.	2-06-77	528,747 (bbls.)	1,199,279 (bbls.)
Wilson Ck./ Morrison	Texaco Inc.	1-20-59	9,440,062 (bbls.)	150,580,438 (bbls.)
	Texaco Inc.	5-14-46		31,310,330 (MCF)
Wilson Ck./ Sundance	Texaco Inc.	3-07-61	3,758,400 (bbls.)	125,557,005 (bbls.)
			224,114 (MCF)	1,495,642 (MCF)

The most significant production in this county is from Weber Sandstone in Rangely Field. In 1981, production from the Weber in Rangely accounted for 96 percent of the county total oil production and over 50 percent of the total state oil production.

Method of Approach

Production decline curves are plotted for each currently producing horizon within each field, hereafter referred to as a field-horizon. There are 74 production decline curves plotted, one for each field-horizon. Production data were obtained from the C.O.G.C.C. annual production books. These books contain records of yearly production data, dating back to 1952. Prior to this date, no such records were kept by the Commission. Though several fields began producing prior to 1952, the decline rates applied to these reserve calculations are well established after this date, and there was no need to obtain annual production prior to 1952. All production decline curves are plotted as rate (annual production in barrels of oil or MCF of gas) versus time (in years), with the exception of Rangely Field, Weber Sandstone production, which is discussed in the following section. For each production decline curve, the rate scale was adjusted to accommodate each field-horizon.

Oil Reserve Calculations

Of the 12 oil fields-horizons, 9 decline rates were calculated based on the rate vs. time production decline curve. Two fields, Duck Creek and McHatlon, have only been producing since 1982 and therefore no reserve estimates could be made using this method. Weber Production from Rangely Field is discussed independently.

All decline rates calculated for oil except for Rocky Point Field are reasonably well established. Production from Rocky Point has been erratic since its first reported production in 1976. A 9.5 percent decline rate was assigned to this field based on the average of five nearby fields with established Mancos oil production.

Once the decline rates were determined for each of these oil field-horizons (see Table II), the remaining reserves were calculated using the equation:

$$R_r = \frac{q - q_f}{-\ln(-dy)}$$

where: R_r = remaining reserves
 q = current annual production
 q_f = final economic production rate
 (see note below.)
 $-\ln$ = negative natural log
 dy = yearly decline rate (in percent)

The ultimate recoverable was then determined by adding the estimated reserves to the cumulative production.

Note that the final economic production rate used was one barrel of oil per day per well, for one year; there 365 barrels, multiplied by the number of wells needed to keep field production economic. In most cases this was one well. The number of wells used was determined at the discretion of the author.

For associated gas production, estimated reserves were calculated in the same manner as that described in the Gas Reserve Calculations section.

Rangely Field, Weber production proved to be the exception among the oil field horizons regarding decline rates. Rangely presently produces from the Mancos, Morrison and Weber Formations, but has produced oil and/or gas from the Shinarump, Entrada and Dakota Formations. The author used the decline curve method discussed earlier for reserve estimates for production from the Mancos and Morrison Formations in Rangely Field. As seen from the rate-time production graph for the Rangely Weber (Fig. 2), it is difficult to assign a decline rate to the oil production when presented in this manner. After discussing the Weber production with Mr. Stan Walker with Chevron in Denver, it was determined that to obtain reasonably accurate reserves for this field-horizon, a plot of the water-oil ratio (WOR) versus cumulative production was needed. Water production figures were obtained from the annual production books in the C.O.G.C.C. The WOR was then calculated for each year from 1954 through 1982 and plotted against the cumulative production (Fig. 2). This curve was then extrapolated to the 98 percent WOR (economic limit for oil production), dropped vertically to the cumulative production axis to determine the ultimate recoverable amount of oil. This amounted to approximately 850,000,000 barrels of oil. This figure does not account for any recovery methods not already in progress. An annual rate of 7.5 percent was then obtained by backing into the annual production versus cumulative production plot using the equation:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Decline rate} &= \frac{1982 \text{ oil production}}{\text{ultimate recoverable-cumulative production}} \\ &\text{or} \\ .0746 &= \frac{14,924,165}{850,000,000 - 650,144,763} \end{aligned}$$

Present cumulative production from the Weber is ± 650 million barrels, leaving oil reserves of ± 200 million barrels.

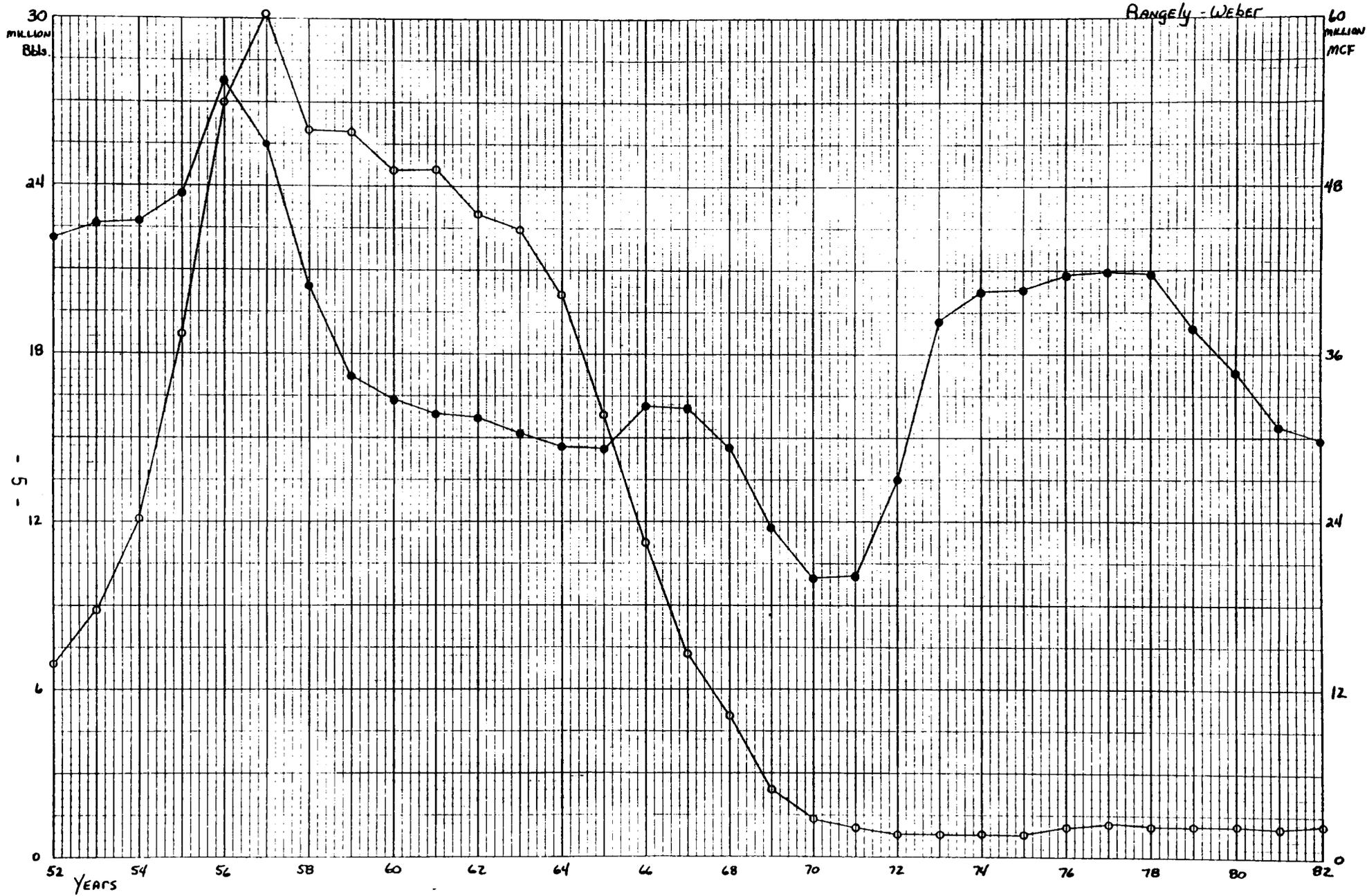


Figure 2. Rate-time historical production graph for Rangely-Weber

RANGELY-WEBER

98% Water-Oil Ratio Cutoff

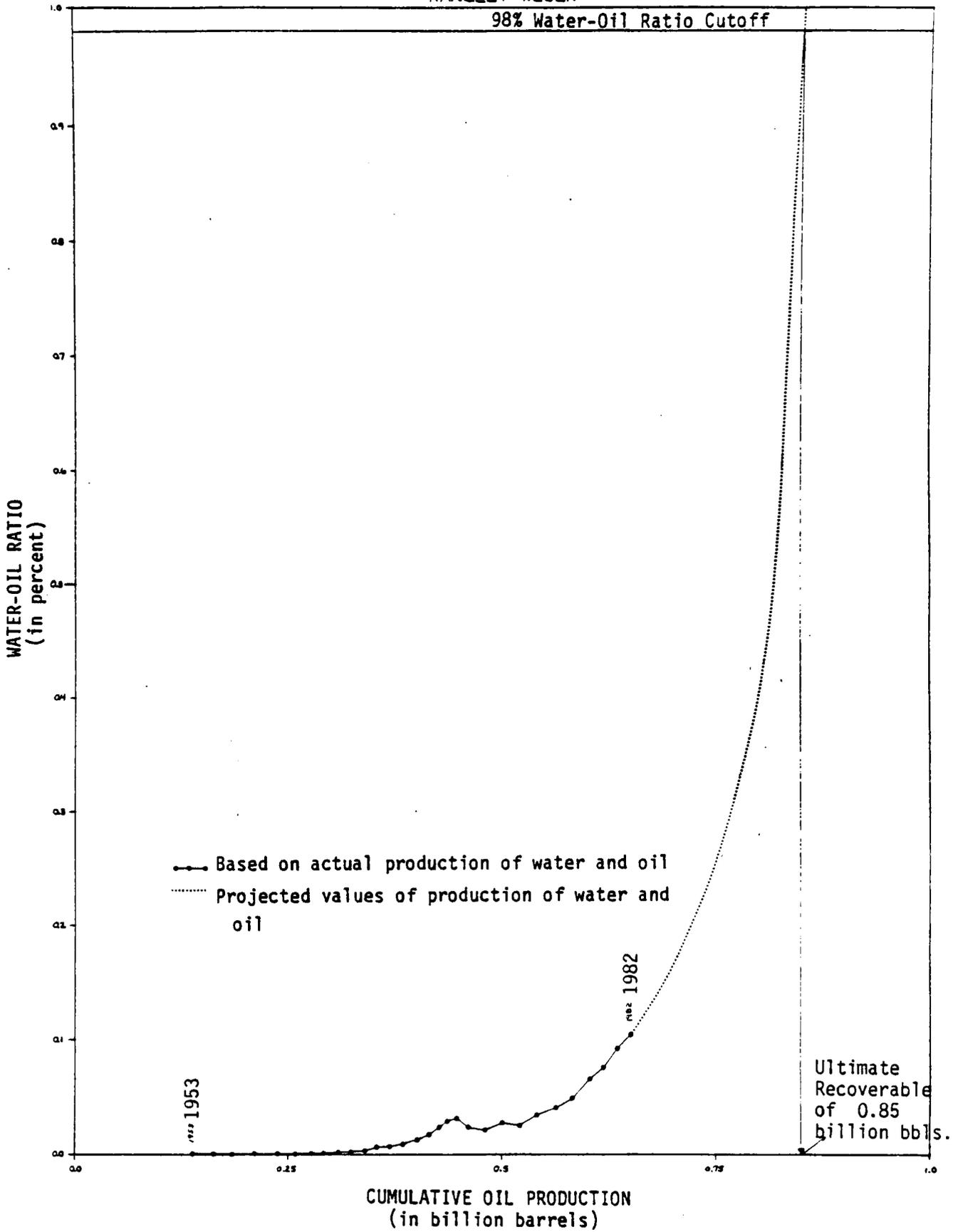


Figure 3. Water-oil Ratio versus cumulative historical production graph for Rangely-Weber.

Gas Reserve Calculations

For the 62 gas field-horizons decline rates were calculated for 41 of these based on historical production rates, and applied to the equation:

$$S = \frac{a(1-r^n)}{1-r}$$

Where: S = gas reserves
a = current annual gas production
r = (1-dy) where dy = annual decline rate
n = number of years -- 20 years was used
in all cases except where noted in
the remarks column of Table II.

Results can be found in Table II.

For those fields in which oil is produced with gas, it was intended that the GOR be used to determine gas reserves. These ratios were rarely found to have any consistency. In all cases, decline rates could be determined from the actual oil production decline curve. These rates were then applied to the oil reserve equation and reserve estimates calculated.

Results

The following figures are for those field-horizons for which reserves could be calculated. Estimated oil reserves for Rio Blanco County totaled 215,231,570 barrels. The Rangely-Weber production accounts for approximately 93 percent of the oil reserves for this county. Estimated gas reserves for Rio Blanco County totaled 327,581,003 MCF. Note that the gas reserve calculations are based on a 20-year projection, therefore they do not account for gas production after the year 2002.

In nine to ten years, roughly half of the estimated oil reserves in Rio Blanco County will have been produced. In seven to eight years roughly half of the gas reserves will have been produced.

Note again, that estimated oil reserves for Weber production in Rangely Field do not consider possible reserves under future secondary and tertiary recovery projects.

It should also be noted that many recent proposals dealing with secondary recovery projects for production from the Weber Sandstone in Rangely Field intend to use the gas produced from this field-horizon for future injection into this horizon. If this is the case, estimated gas reserves for this field-horizon should not be considered for tax revenue purposes, as it will not be sold, and therefore not taxed.

These figures also do not account for production increases due to secondary and/or tertiary recovery not already in progress, or account for undiscovered reserves, nor do they reflect changes in economics and demand.

In this county there are two classes of field-horizons: I) those with a long enough production history to calculate reserves with confidence, and II) those new field-horizons with essentially no production history, or for other reasons, reserves cannot be calculated.

To be able to calculate total county oil and gas reserves, it was necessary to apply the overall decline rates (6.93 percent per year for oil and 6.76 percent per year for gas) obtained from class I field-horizons to the current production from Class II field-horizons.

Using this approach on current production from Class II field-horizons (7.174 Bbls. of oil and 1,143,792 MCF of gas), additional reserves of 94,809 Bbls. of oil and 12,747,026 MCF of gas were obtained. This gives total county reserves (Class I and II) of 215,326,379 Bbls. of oil and 340,328,029 MCF of gas.

To insure that the reserve figures calculated for Class II are reasonable using this method, a comparison was made between the sources (producing horizons) of the Class I and Class II field-horizons. It was determined that there were no significant differences in the sources of production for the two groups. Therefore, it is concluded that the overall decline rates can be applied with confidence.

LIST OF ABBREVIATIONS USED IN TABLE OF RESERVE DATA

'a'	annual gas production
ABD.	abandoned
Approx.	approximate, approximately
Avg.	average, averaged
Bbls.	barrels
B.W.E.	Bottom Water Encroachment
calc.	calculate, calculated
Co.(s)	county (counties)
cond.	condensate
ck.	Creek
Cum.	cumulative
Dak.	Dakota Sandstone
Deplet.	Depletion
dy	annual decline rate
Econ.	Economic
Est.	Estimated
Exp.	Expansion
g	gas
Gas Exp.	Gas Expansion
G.C.E.	Gas Cap Expansion
G.E.	Gas Expansion
GOR	Gas-Oil Ratio
Inc.	Increase, increasing, increased
Inj.	Injection, injected
Lmtd.	Limited
MCF	Thousand cubic feet
Miss.	Mississippian
Mos.	Months
Mtn.	Mountain
N	North
N.P.	New Production or less than five years production, therefore, no reliable annual decline rate could be calculated to apply to the equations to calculate reserves.
No.	number, numbers, North
o	oil
P and A	Plug (ged) and Abandon (ed)
Poss.	Possible
Prod.	Production, produced
Proj.	Projection, projected
q	current annual production of oil
qf	final economic production of oil
react.	reactivated
Rr	Remaining reserves-oil
S	Remaining reserves-gas
S.G.D.	Solution Gas Drive
S.I.(SI)	Shut-in
So	South
W	West
W.D.	Water Drive
Yr or Yrs	Year or years

TABLE II
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FIELD NAME/ PROD. HORIZON	GENERAL DATE OF LOCATION DISCOVER	TYPE OF DRIVE	dy (in %)	CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION 12/31/82		ESTIMATED OIL (bbbls) (1)Condensate	RESERVES GAS (MCF)	ULTIMATE OIL (bbbls) (1)Condensate	RECOVERABLE GAS (MCF)	REMARKS *
				OIL (bbbls) (1)Condensate	GAS (MCF)					
1. Banta Ridge/ Dakota	1S-103W	1972		1,484	93,058					Only Produced in '73 and '82
2. Banta Ridge/ Mancos	1S-103W				51,359					'82 Prod. Only
3. Banta Ridge/ Mesaverde	1S-103W				102,176					'82 Prod. Only
4. Baxter Pass/ Dakota- Morrison	4S-103W	1958	Possibly Gas Exp.	8.0-g	1,178	2,694,186	16,307,071	1,178	19,001,257	Also Prod. in Garfield County May Include Mancos, Duck- horn and Mesaverde Prod.
5. Big Ridge/ Mancos	1S-100W	1981			91	2,878				'82 Prod. Only
6. Blue Cloud/ Dakota	4S-102W	1974				71,286				'82 Prod. Only
7. Blue Cloud/ Mancos	4S-102W		Gas Exp.	8.0-g		761,371	1,813,960		2,575,331	
8. Cathedral/ Dakota	3S-100W	1960		8.0-g		610,918	1,004,895		1,615,813	
9. Cathedral/ Emery	3S-100W		Depletion			49,450				'80-'82 Prod. Only
10. Cathedral/ Mancos	3S-100W		Depletion	8.0-o 8.0-g	6,433	11,211,732	20,544	22,768,470	26,977	33,980,202
11. Cathedral/ Mesaverde	3S-100W					954				'82 Prod. Only
12. Cathedral/ Morrison	3S-100W					30,207				'82 Prod. Only
13. Colorow Gulch /Shinarump	3N-97W	1978		20.0-g		431,489	275,862		707,351	
14. Corral Creek/ Dakota	1S-100W	1978				133,163				'81-'82 Prod. Only
15. Corral Creek/ Dakota-Morrison	1S-100W				(23)	367,896				'80-'82 Prod. Only
16. Corral Creek/ Mancos	1S-100W		Gas Expansion	7.0-g		203,367	642,211		845,578	Based on '81-'82 Prod.
17. Douglas Creek/ Dakota	263 S- 101&102 W	1943	G. C. E. with Botton M. D.	11.0-g		8,597,819	161,998		8,759,817	
18. Douglas Creek/ Mancos (Emery)	2&3S- 101&102W		Gas Exp.	5.0-g		15,567,658	8,937,600		24,505,258	
19. Douglas Ct. North/Dakota & 102 W	1S-101	1956			(1,665)	445,492				'82 Prod. Only
20. Douglas Ct No /Emery (Mancos)	1S-101& 102W		Gas Exp.	5.0-g		10,805,093	38,874,829		49,679,922	
21. Dgls. Ct. No. Morapas (Mancos)	1S-101& 102W		M. D.	6.0-g		15,390,450	823,607		16,214,057	

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FIELD NAME/ PROD. HORIZON	GENERAL DATE OF LOCATION DISCOVER	TYPE OF DRIVE	dy (in 1)	RESERVE DATA FOR RIO BLANCO COUNTY		ESTIMATED OIL (bb1s) (1)Condensate	RESERVES GAS (MCF)	ULTIMATE OIL (bb1s) (1)Condensate	RECOVERABLE GAS (MCF)	REMARKS * *See Last Page of TABLE 11 for Definition of # Code		
				CUMULATIVE 12/31/82	PRODUCTION							
				OIL (bb1s) (1)Condensate	GAS (MCF)							
22. Douglas Creek No./Morrison	1S-101k 102W				380					'82 Prod. Only		
23. Douglas Creek No./Weber	1S-101k 102W	M. D.	10.0-o	27,352		18,309		45,661				
24. Douglas Creek So./Buckhorn- Morrison	3k4 S- 101-102 W		1963	8.0-g	(216)	1,752,743		1,620,788	(216)	3,373,531	Also Incl. Some Dak. Prod.	
25. Douglas Creek So./Mancos	3k4S- 101-102W	Gas Exp.		10.0-g		845,313		1,169,058		2,014,371		
26. Douglas Creek So./Morapas	3k4S- 101-102W			8.0-g		244,377		354,287		598,664		
27. Douglas Creek So./Niobrara	3k4S- 101-102W			25.0-g		69,690		4,199		73,889		
28. Douglas Creek M./Mancos 'B'	2S-102 & 103 W	1953	Gas Exp.	3.0-g	(337)	22,285,442		19,846,041	(337)	42,131,483		
29. DragonTrail/ Emery(Mancos)	2 & 3 S 101&102 W	1959	Gas Exp.	16.0-o 6.0-g	9,046	106,226,475		1,623	77,191,623	1,623	183,418,098	
30. DragonTrail No./Mancos 'B'	1S-101W	1961	Gas Exp.	6.0-o 10.0-g		379,781		434,284		814,065	No Oil Produced Last 2 Years	
31. Duck Creek/ Wasatch	1S-97W	1982			212						'82 Prod. Only	
32. Evacuation Ck./Mancos 'B'	4S-102W	1977	Gas Exp.	8.0-g		728,268		2,303,573		3,031,841	Also Prod. in Garfield Co.	
33. Foundation Ck./Buckhorn	4S-102W	1973		8.0-g		151,558		198,983		350,541	Also Prod. in Garfield Co.	
34. Foundation Ck./Cedar Mtn.	4S-102W				(6,688)	558,083					SI in '82-dy greater than 202, Also Prod. in Garfield County	
35. Foundation Ck./Dakota	4S-102W				(6)	186,713					'81-'82 Prod. Only Also Prod. in Garfield County	
36. Foundation Ck./Mancos	4S-102W		Gas Exp.	8.0-g	(32)	1,602,698		3,657,796		5,260,494		
37. LowerHorse Draw/Dakota	2S-103W	1960		8.0-g	65 (492)	1,788,304		1,980,542	65 (492)	3,768,846	Erratic decline	
38. LowerHorse Draw/Mancos (Emery)	2S-103W		Gas Exp.	7.0-g	3,545 (27,785)	45,058,683		20,784,442	3,545 (27,785)	65,843,125		
39. McHatton/ Niobrara	1N-93W	1982			2,900						'82 Production Only	
40. NineMile/ Dakota	2N-92&93W	1966		11.6-o	988,440		71,063		1,059,503			
41. Philadelphia Ck./Mancos	2S-101W	1975	Gas Exp.	20.0-g	(216)	2,537,254		3,273,346	(216)	5,810,600		
42. PiceanceCk./ GreenRiver	2k3 S-95, 96,&97W	1930	Gas Exp. & M.D.	5.0-g		51,706,059		3,524,427		55,230,486		

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				OIL (bbbls)	GAS (MCF)					
				(1)Condensate						
43.Piceance Ck./ Mesaverde	2&3 S-95, 96,97W	Gas Exp. & W.D.	20.0-g	(10,209)	1,519,765		916,322	(10,209)	2,436,087	
44.Piceance Ck./ Wasatch 'A'	2&3S-95, 96,97W	Gas Exp. & W.D.	11.5-g	70,708,035 (7,997)	340,389		25,845,820	70,708,035 (7,997)	26,186,209	
45.Piceance Ck./ Wasatch 'F' & 'G'	2&3S-95, 96 & 97W	Gas Exp. & W.D.	20.0-g	(431)	513,576		247,760	(431)	761,336	
46.Piceance Ck./ Wasatch 'G'	2&3S-95, 96 & 97W	Gas Exp. & W.D.	7.0-g	(101,835)	62,317,100		9,767,863	(101,835)	72,084,963	
47.Piceance Ck. So./Douglas Ck.	3S-95&96W	1954 Gas Exp.	6.5-g	450	2,243,397		268,392	450	2,511,789	
48.Pinnacle/ Shinarump	3N-86W	1956	4.0-o	121,935	24,574	43,212		165,147	24,574	
49.Rangely/ Mancos	1&2 N- 101-103 W	1902	7.5-o	13,245,250	139,134	1,061,998		14,307,248	139,134	
50.Rangely/ Morrison	1&2N- 101-103W		14.0-o	50,231	1,916,308	1,631		51,862	1,916,308	
51.Rangely/ Weber	1&2W- 101-103W	S. G. D. & GasCap w/ Lntd. W. D.	7.2-o 2.0-g	650,175,073	690,130,018	200,000,000	36,832,194	850,175,073	726,962,212	
52.RockyPoint/ Mancos	2S-100W	1976 Gas Exp.	9.5-o 8.0-g	9,525	5,042	13,544	21,449	23,069	26,491	
53.Sage Brush Hills/Mancos	2S-99W	1978		(442)	118,251					
54.Sage Brush Hills/ Mesaverde	2S-99W				6,495					'80 & '82 Prod. Only, SI both years
55.SoldierCanyon /Dakota	4S-100W	1976 Gas Exp.	9.0-g		62,024		73,279		135,303	Also Prod. in Garfield County N. P.
56.SulphurCrk./ Ft. Union - Wasatch	2 & 3 S - 97-99 W	1955		122	3,575					N. P.
57.SulphurCrk./ Mesaverde	2&3S- 97-99W	Exp.		229	113,735					N. P.
58.SulphurCrk./ Wasatch	2&3S- 97-99W		5.5-g	(581)	3,178,290		3,209,670	(581)	6,387,960	
59.Texas Mtn./ Castlegate	3S-102W	1964	7.3-g		1,069,632		807,167		1,876,799	
60.Texas Mtn./ Castlegate- Mancos	3S-102W		25.0-g		489,567		87,346		576,913	
61.Texas Mtn./ Dakota	3S-102W		6.0-g		1,462,688		1,633,300		3,059,988	
62.Texas Mtn./ Mancos 'A'	3S-102W		10.0-g 8.0-g	62,931	289,106	13,743	97,996	76,674	387,102	
63.Texas Mtn./ Mancos	3S-102W		11.5-g		2,908,415		404,604		3,313,019	

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				OIL (bbbls) (Condensate)	GAS (MCF)							
64. Thunder/ Dakota	4S-102W	1977		20.0-g	(997)	1,448,088	707,048	(997)	2,155,136			
65. Thunder/ Mancos	4S-102W		Gas Exp.	8.0-g		1,574,443	3,164,238		4,738,681			
66. Taiga Mtn./ Castlegate	1N-103W	1981			(72)	264,107				'82 Prod. Only		
67. Taiga Mtn./ Dakota	1N-103W				(676)	81,383				'82 Prod. Only		
68. TrailCanyon/ Dakota	4S-101W	1969		6.0-g		4,017,710	5,265,282		9,282,992	Also Prod. in Garfield Co.		
70. TrailCanyon/ Dakota-Morrison	4S-101W				(47)	17,776				'81 - '82 Prod. Only Also Prod. in Garfield County		
71. TrailCanyon/ Mancos 'B'	4S-101W		Gas Exp.	8.0-g		4,010 (248)	1,008,860	4,010 (248)	1,799,270	Also Prod. in Garfield County		
72. White River/ Mesaverde	1 & 2 N - 96 & 97 W	1890	Gas Drive	14.0-o 4.0-g		13,946 (5,396)	1,373,378	550,571	763,982	564,517 (5,396)	2,137,360	Used to be called White River Done
73. White River/ Wasatch	1&2 N- 96-97W		Gas Drive	10.0-g		373,940		2,531,168		2,905,108		
74. WilsonCreek/ Morrison	2&3N-94W	1938	M.D. & Gas Drive	4.0-o 6.0-g		380,090	56,634,772	9,275,147	4,566,261	9,655,237	61,201,033	
75. WilsonCreek/ Sundance	2&3 N- 94W		M. D.	2.0-o 5.0-g		27,795,170	4,945,151	4,160,185	1,407,110	31,955,355	6,352,261	

COUNTY TOTAL OF ESTIMATED RESERVES

215,231,570 BBls.
327,581,003 MCF

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Appendix I

Historical production decline curve graphs for Rio Blanco County. These graphs are presented in alphabetical order by Field name and then by producing horizons within each field.

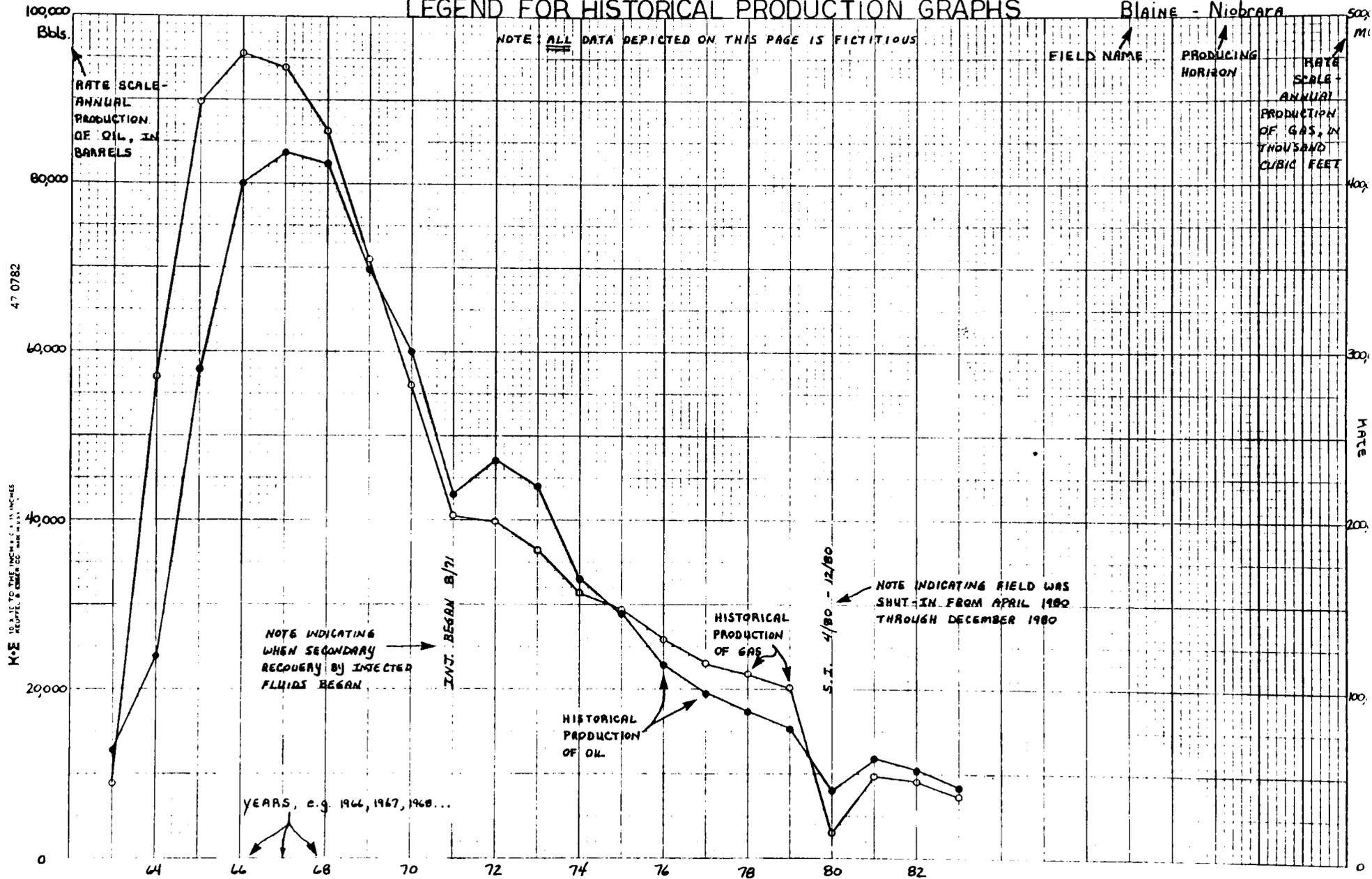
Note that only those fields actively producing as of 12-31-82 are included. Abandoned fields or field-horizons are not included.

LEGEND FOR HISTORICAL PRODUCTION GRAPHS

Blaine - Niobrara

NOTE: ALL DATA DEPICTED ON THIS PAGE IS FICTITIOUS

FIELD NAME
 PRODUCING HORIZON
 RATE SCALE - ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF OIL, IN BARRELS
 RATE SCALE - ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF GAS, IN THOUSAND CUBIC FEET



RATE SCALE - ANNUAL PRODUCTION OF OIL, IN BARRELS

NOTE INDICATING WHEN SECONDARY RECOVERY BY INJECTED FLUIDS BEGAN

INVT. BEGAN 8/71

HISTORICAL PRODUCTION OF OIL

HISTORICAL PRODUCTION OF GAS

S.I. 4/80 - 12/80

NOTE INDICATING FIELD WAS SHUT-IN FROM APRIL 1980 THROUGH DECEMBER 1980

YEARS, e.g. 1966, 1967, 1968...

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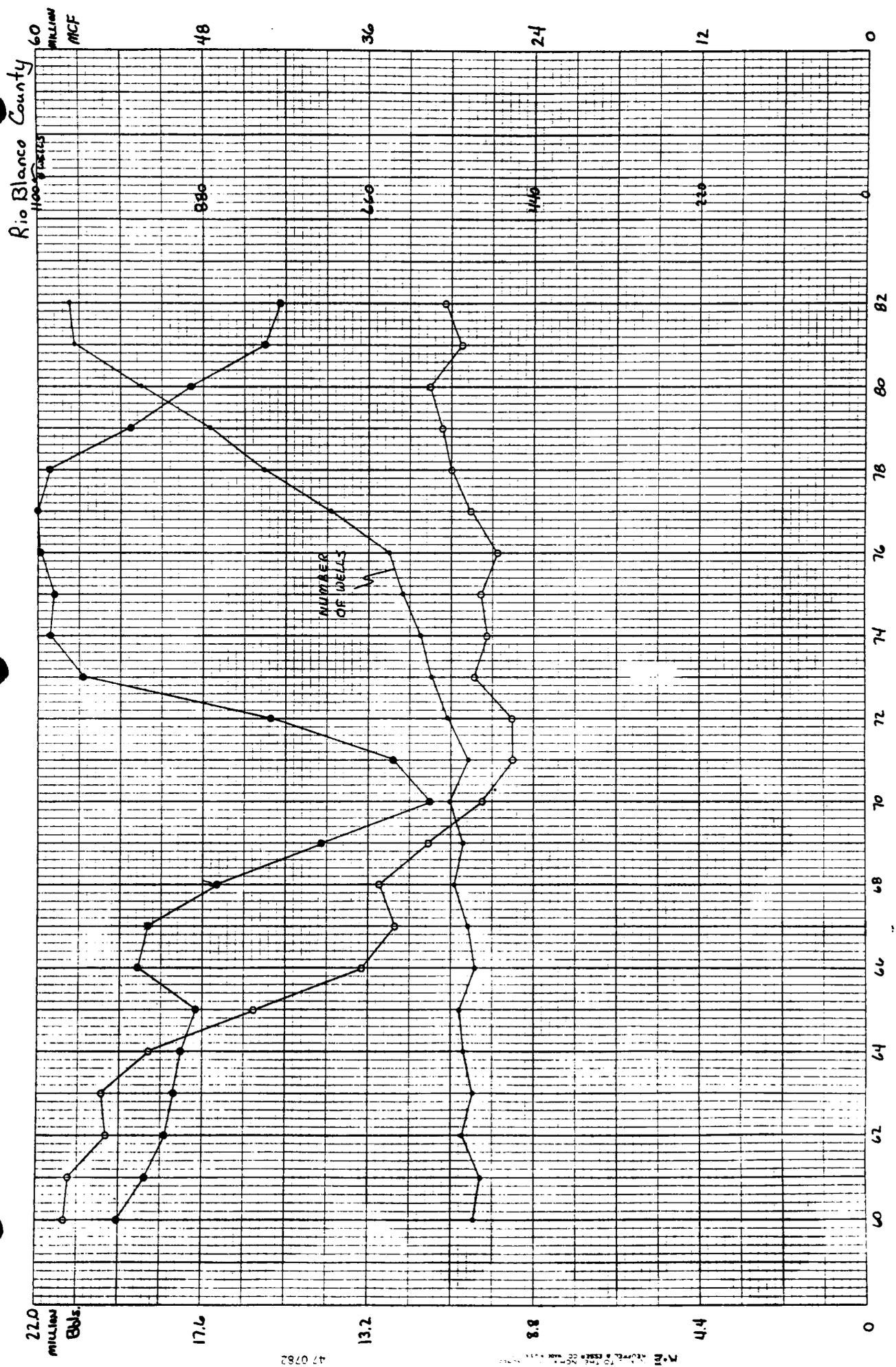
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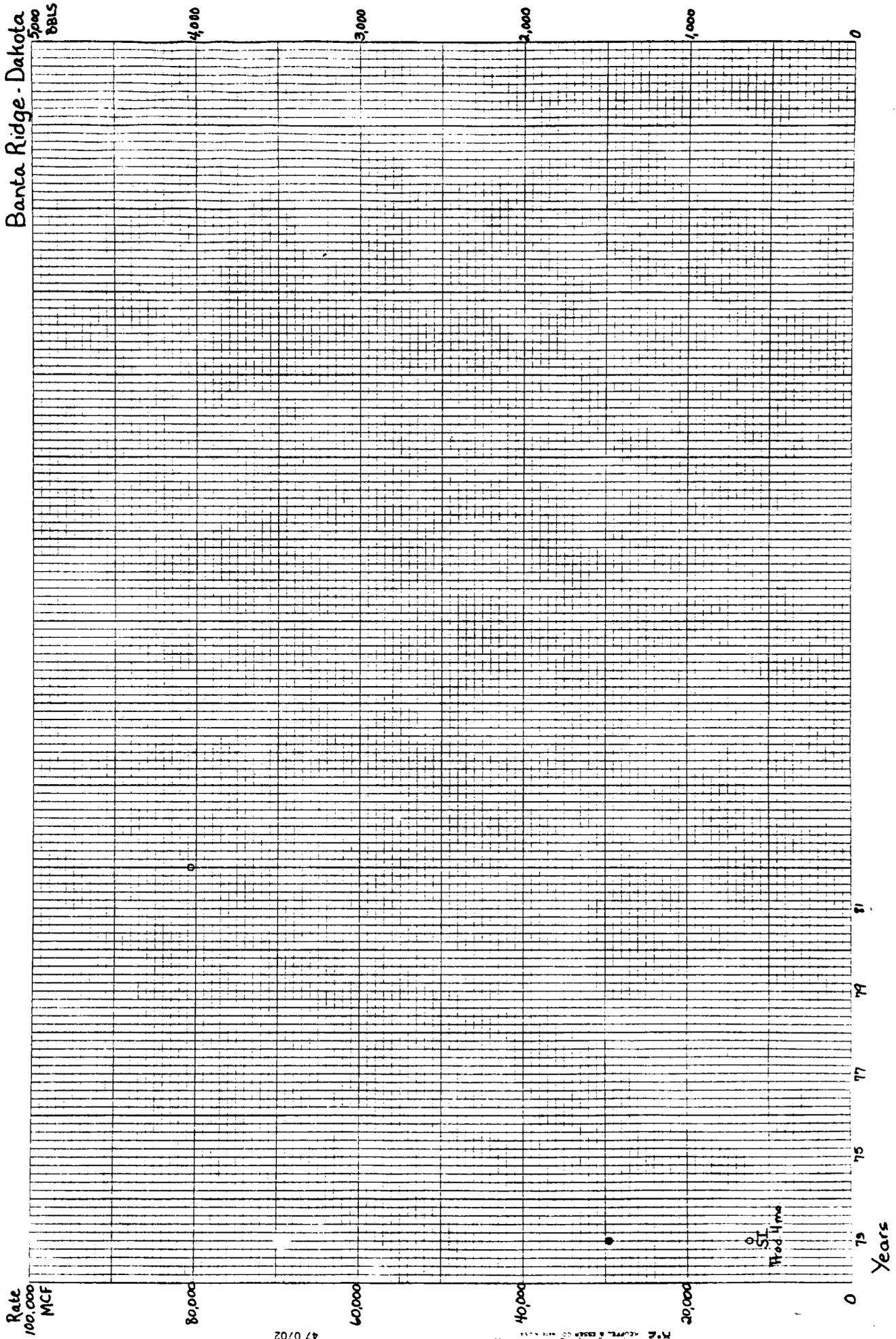
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M. M. ROBERTS & ASSOCIATES, INC.

Banta Ridge - Dakota
5000
BBLS



4,000

3,000

2,000

1,000

0

Rate
100,000
MCF

80,000

60,000

40,000

20,000

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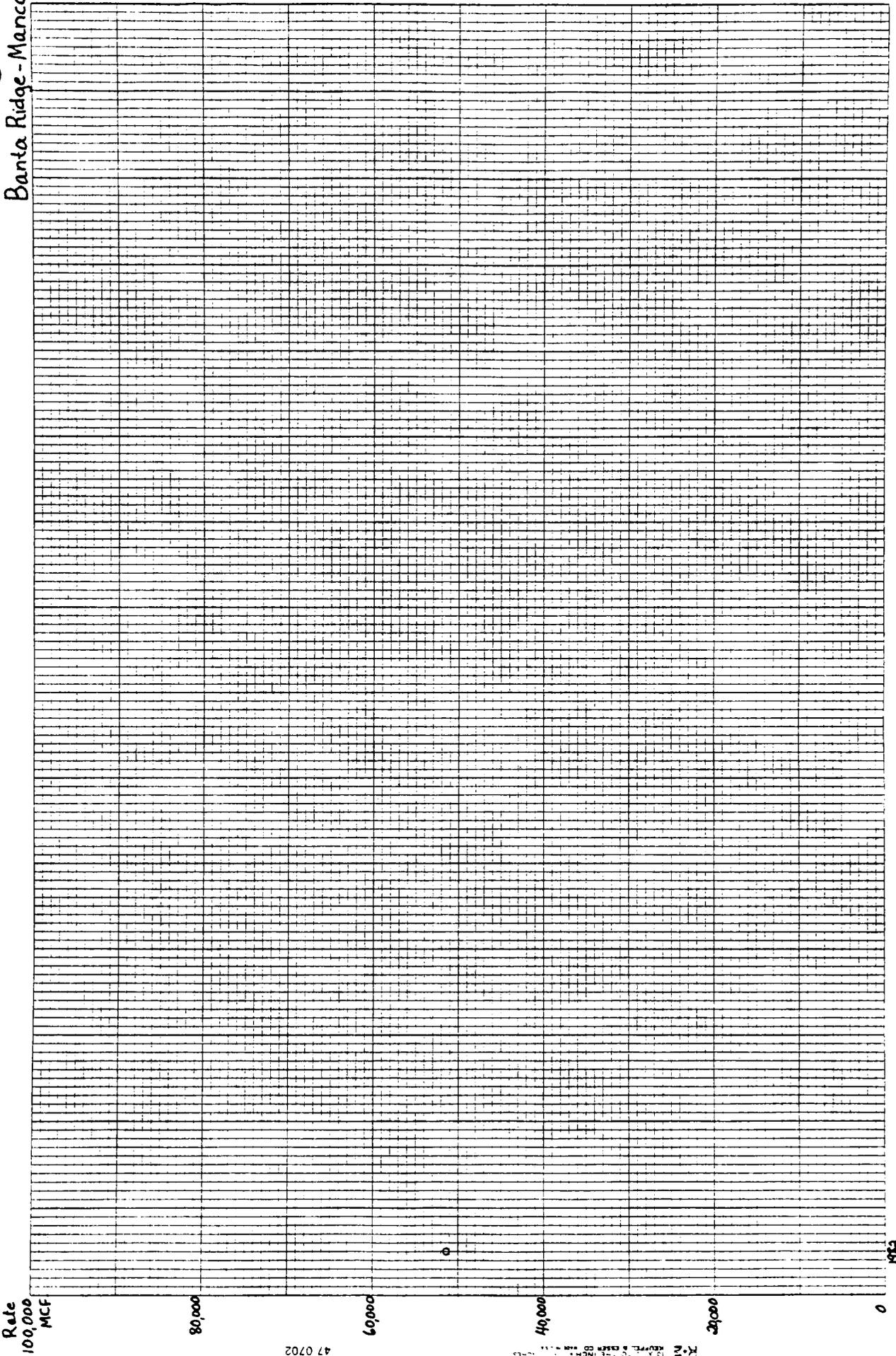
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Prod 4 ms

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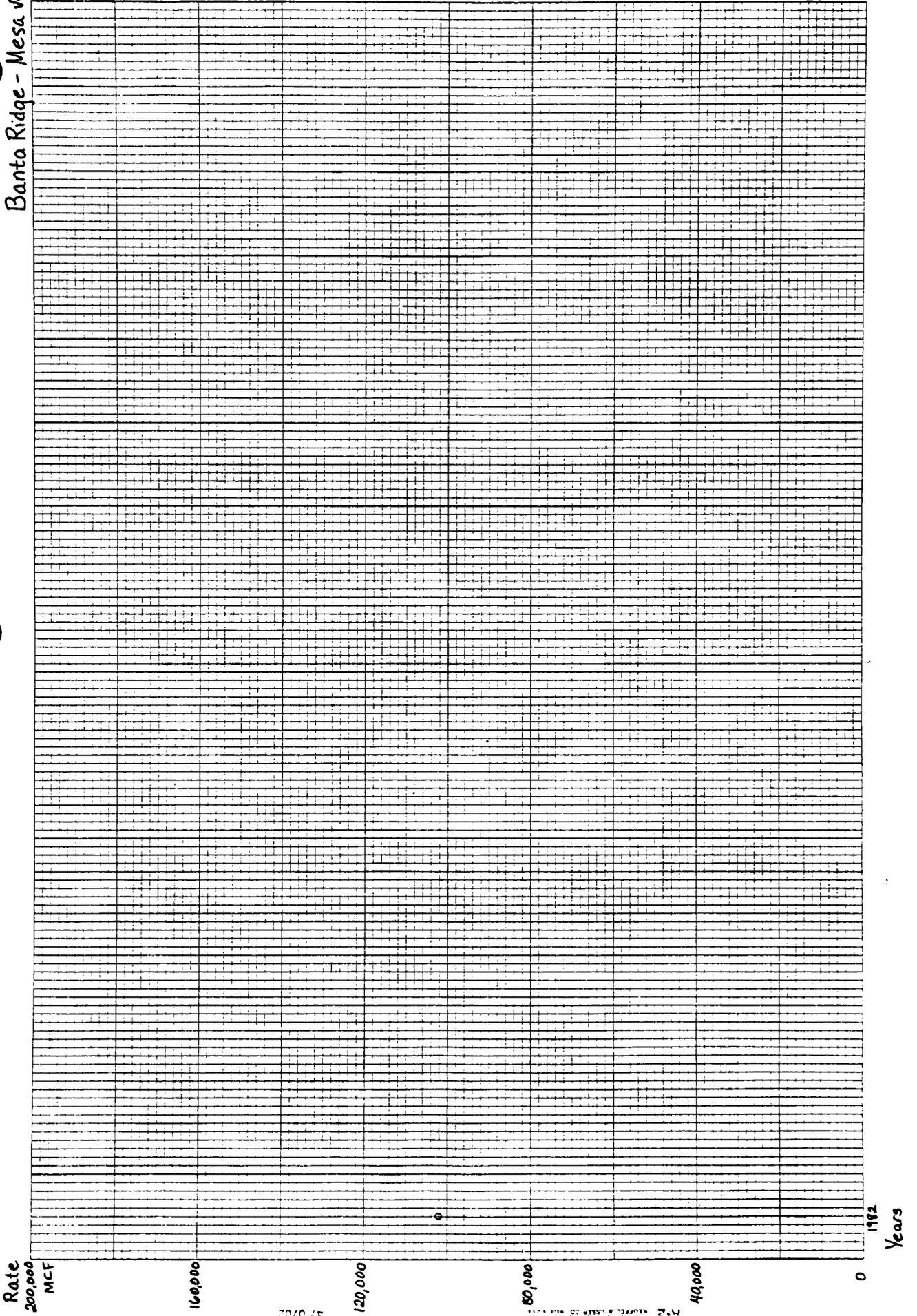


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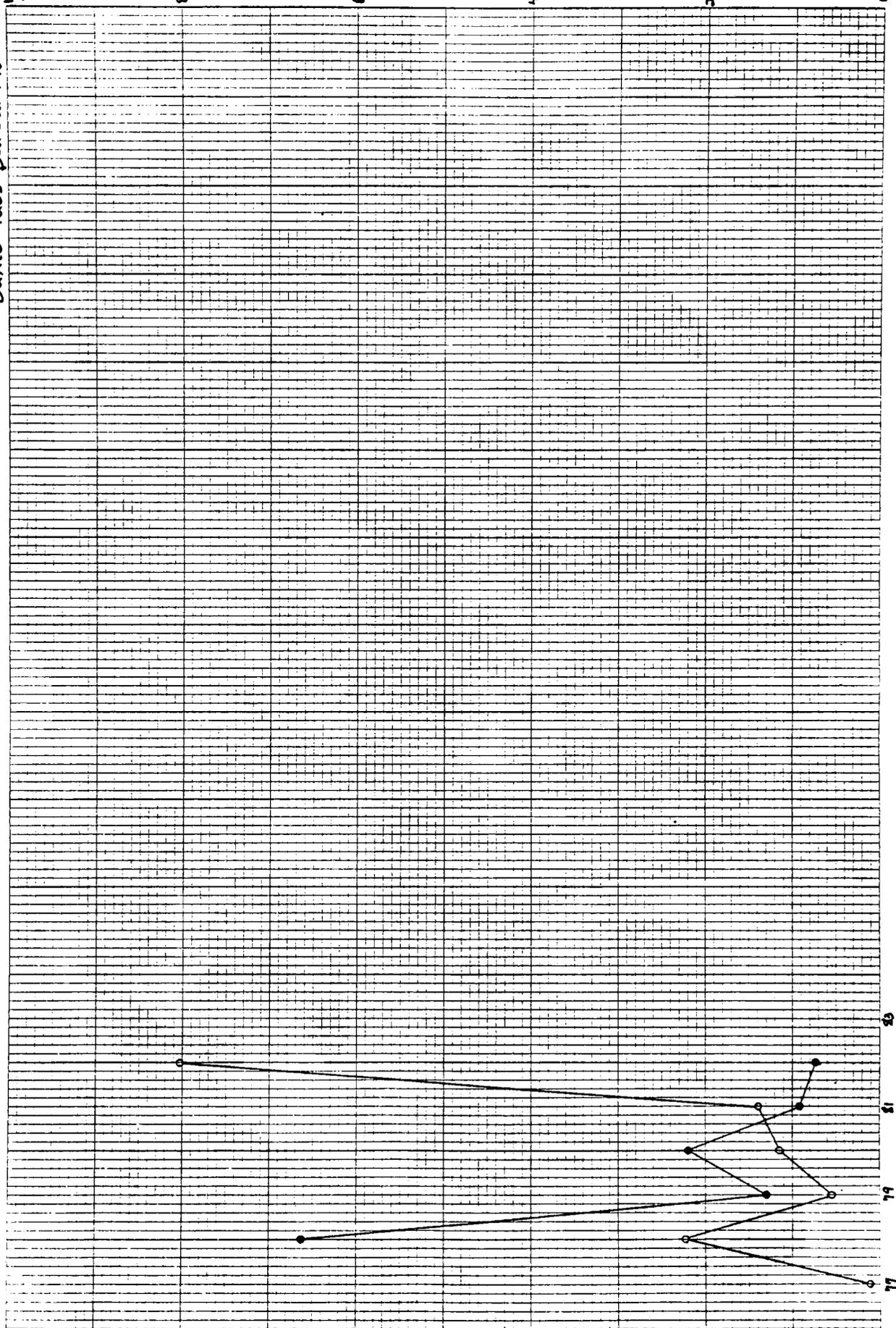
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Baxter Pass-Dakota-Morrison

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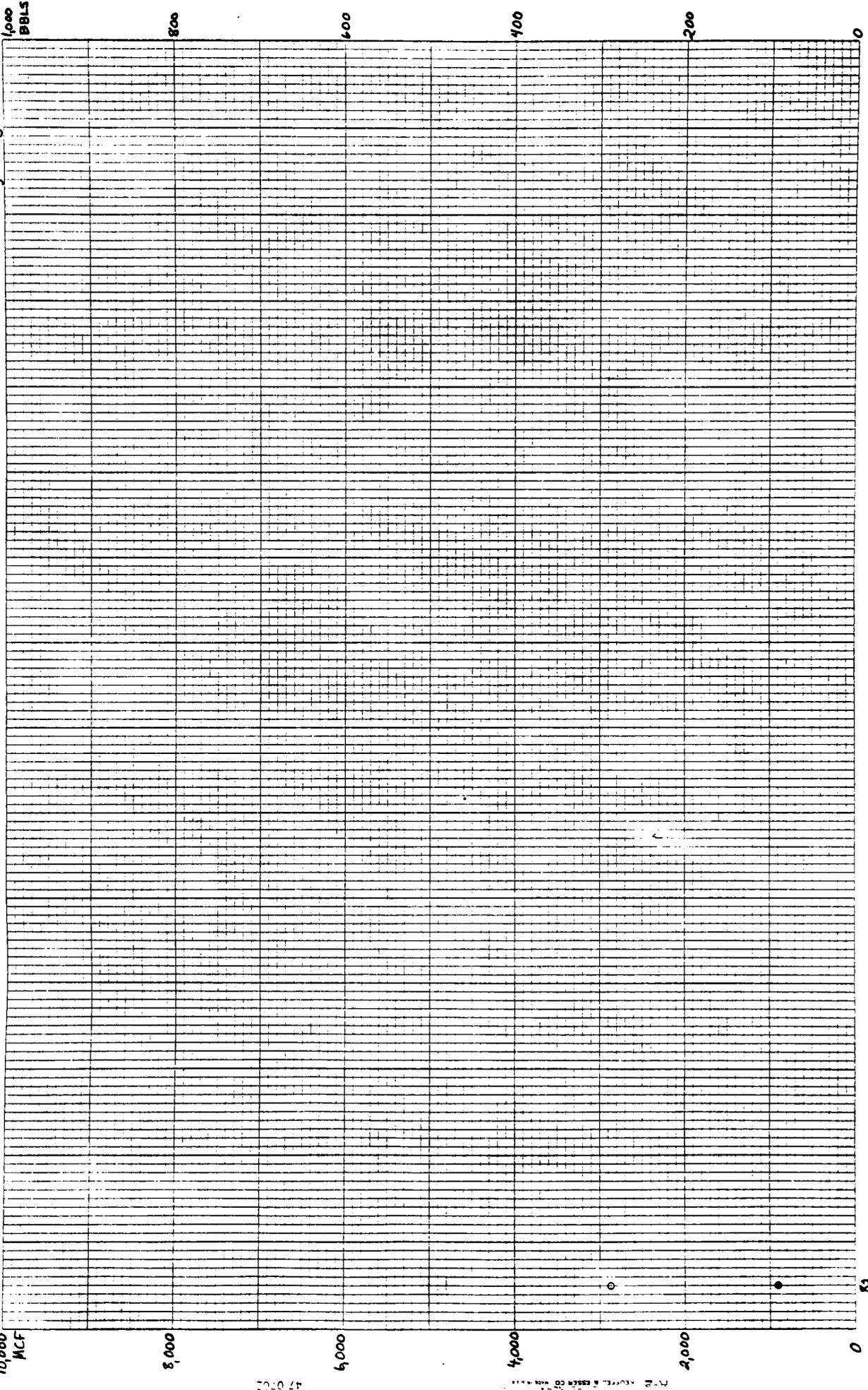


Years

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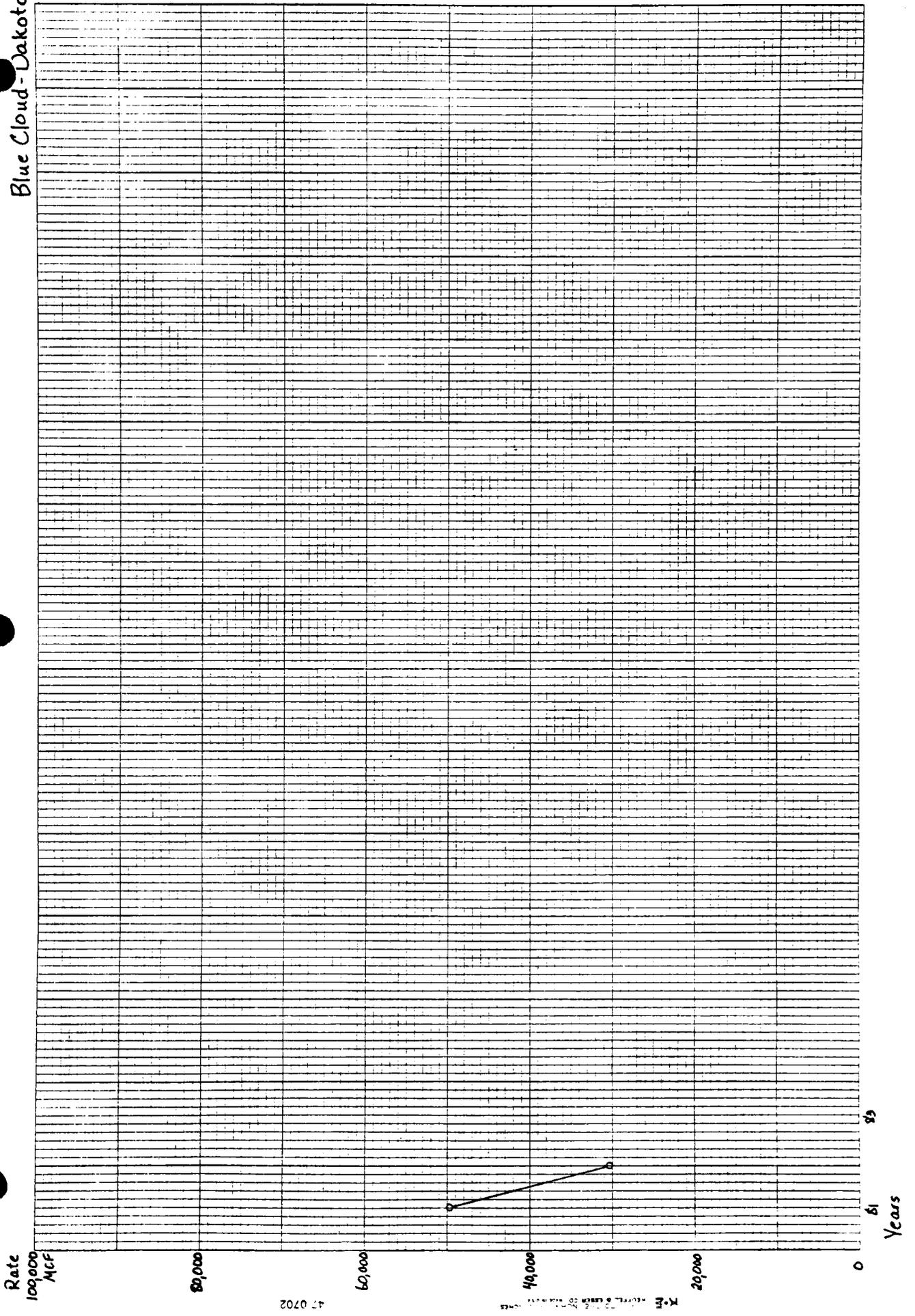
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Big Ridge - Mancos



Years

Blue Cloud-Dakota



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MCF

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40,000

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Years

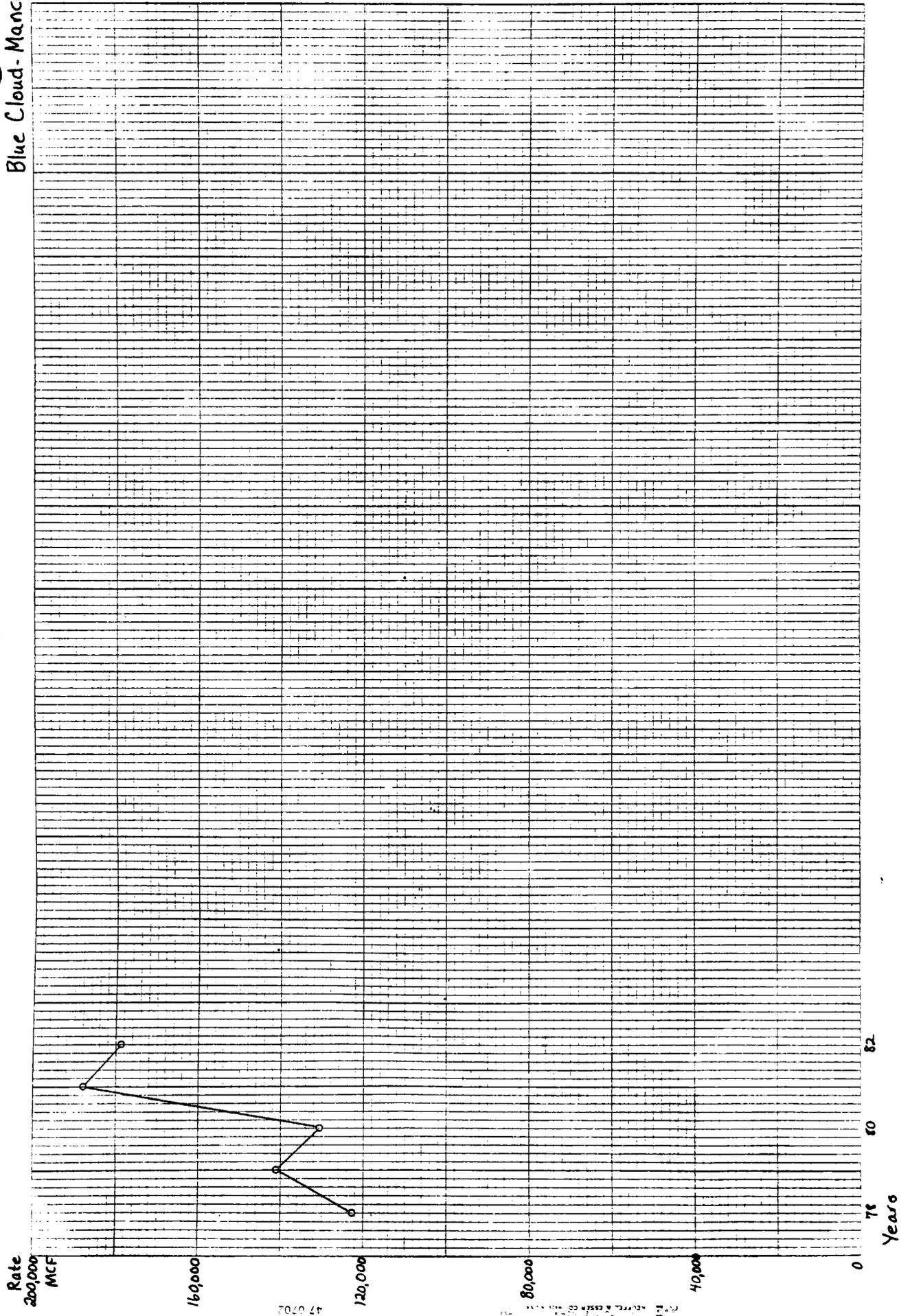
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Blue Cloud - Mancos



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MCF

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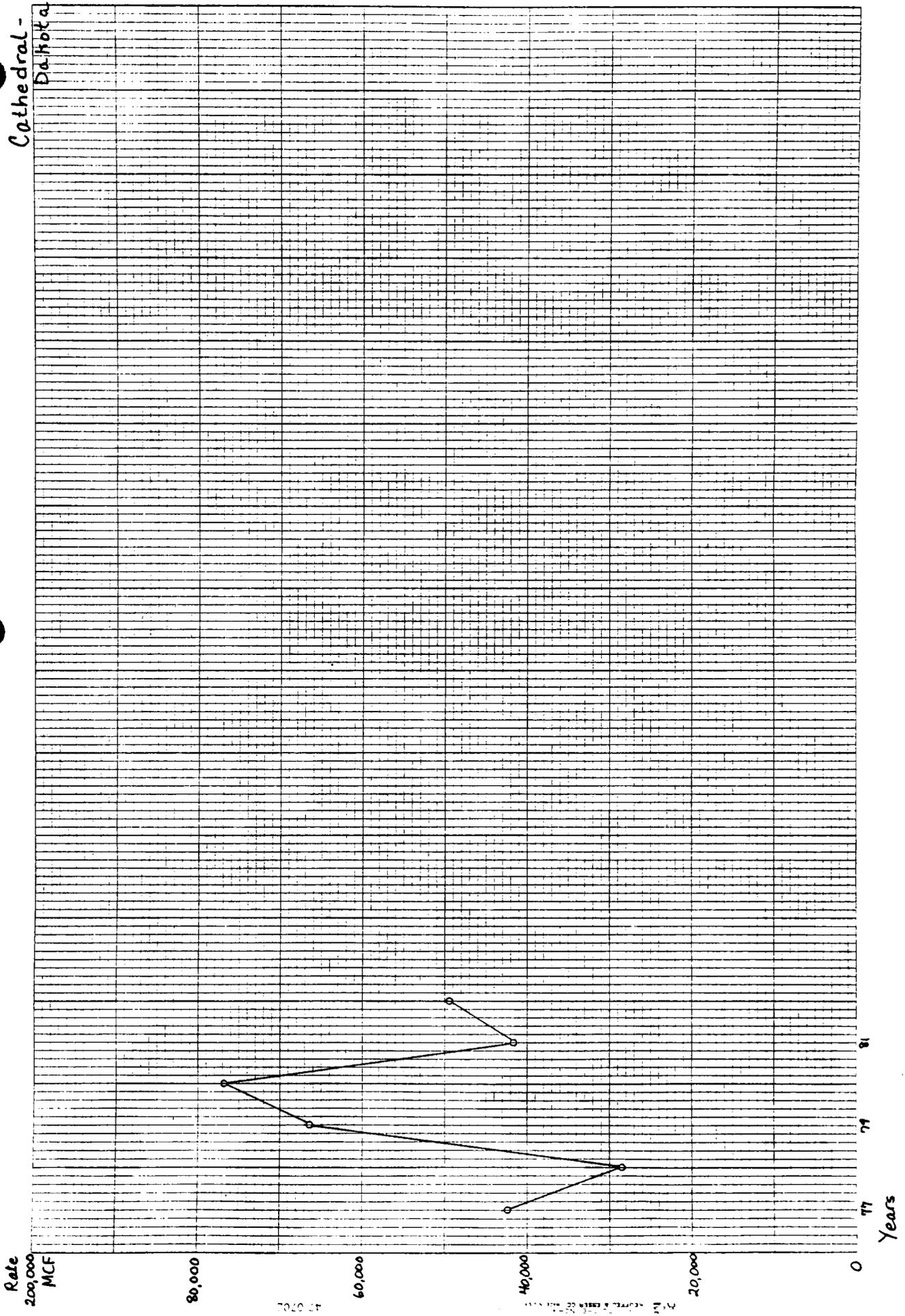
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76
78
80
82
Years

Cathedral -
Dakota



Rate
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Years

Cathedral - Emery

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MCF

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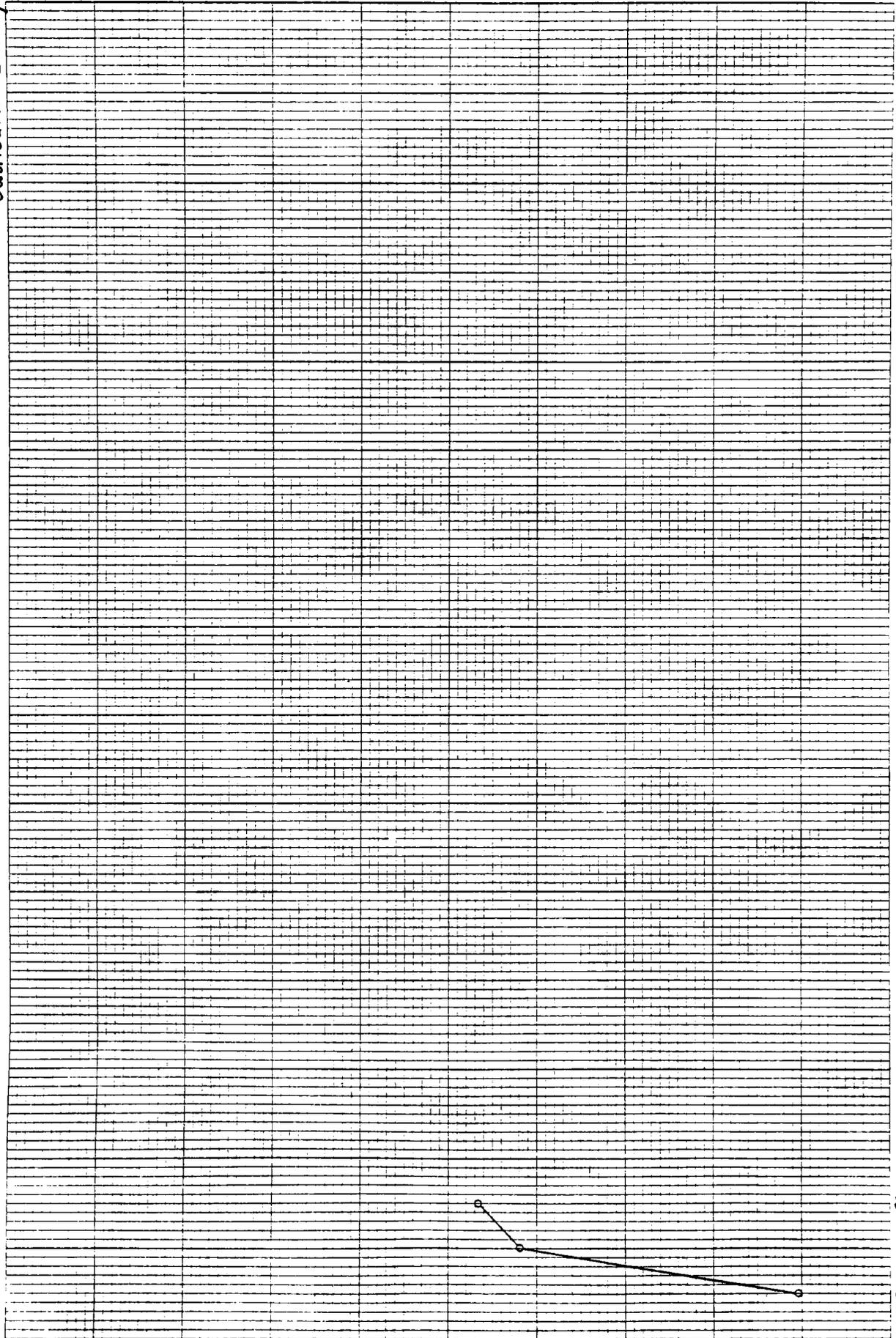
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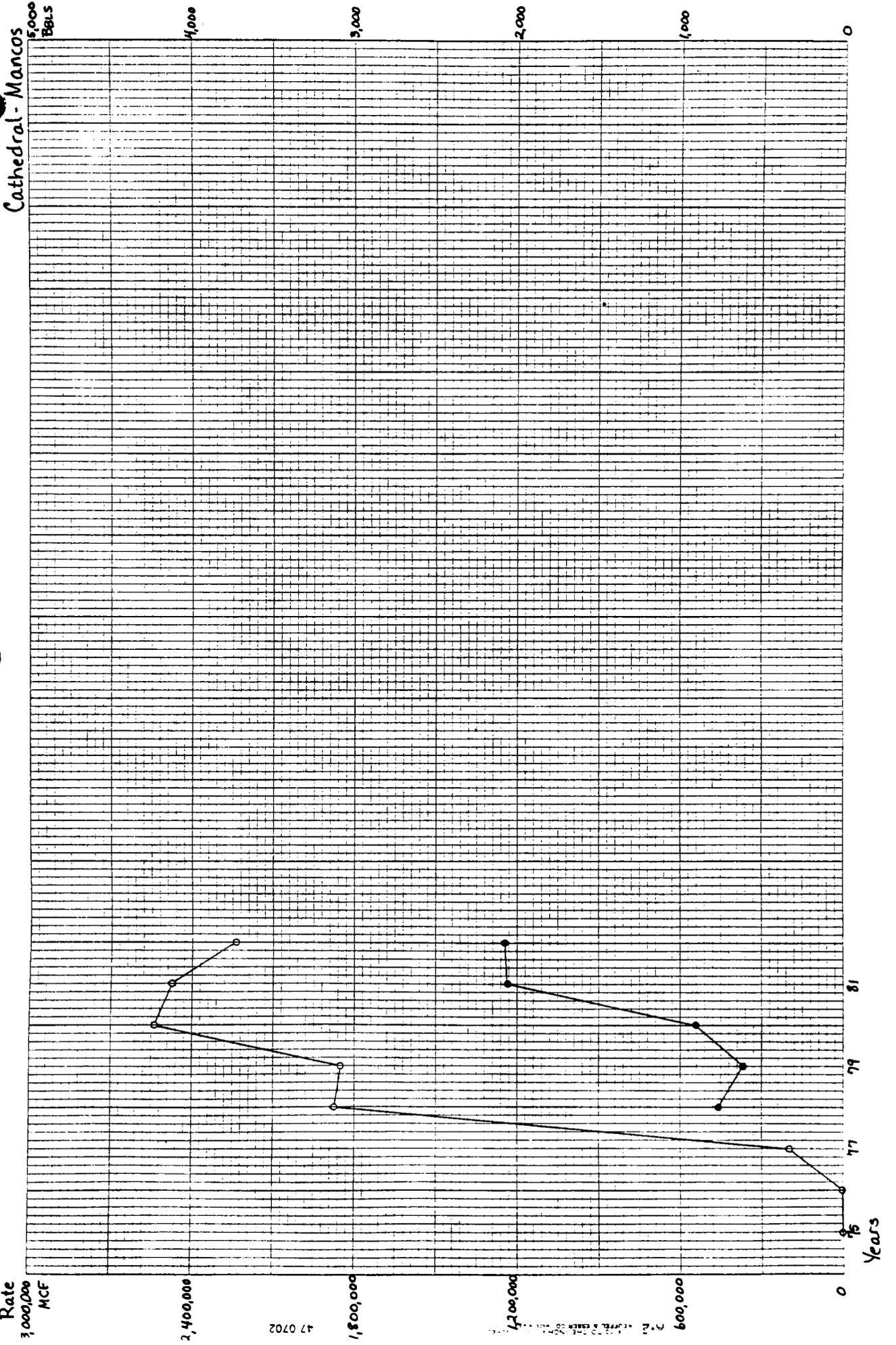
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Years

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Rate Level & Date of Measurement





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MCF

Years

Cathedral - Mancos

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Bbls

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3,000

2,000

1,000

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2,000,000
3,000,000

1,400,000

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MCF

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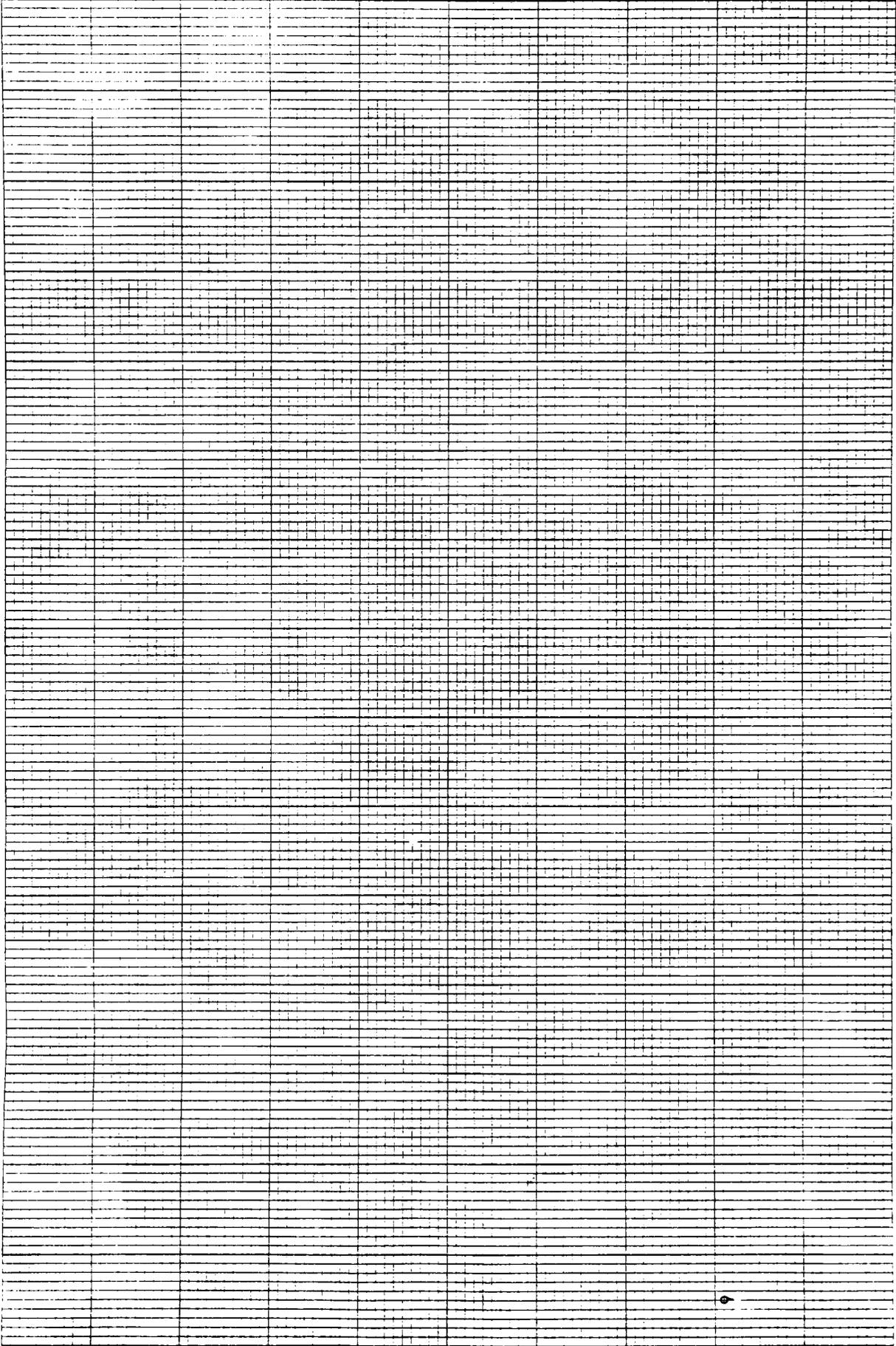
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Years

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Mesa Verde
Rate & Reserve



Cathedral-Morrison

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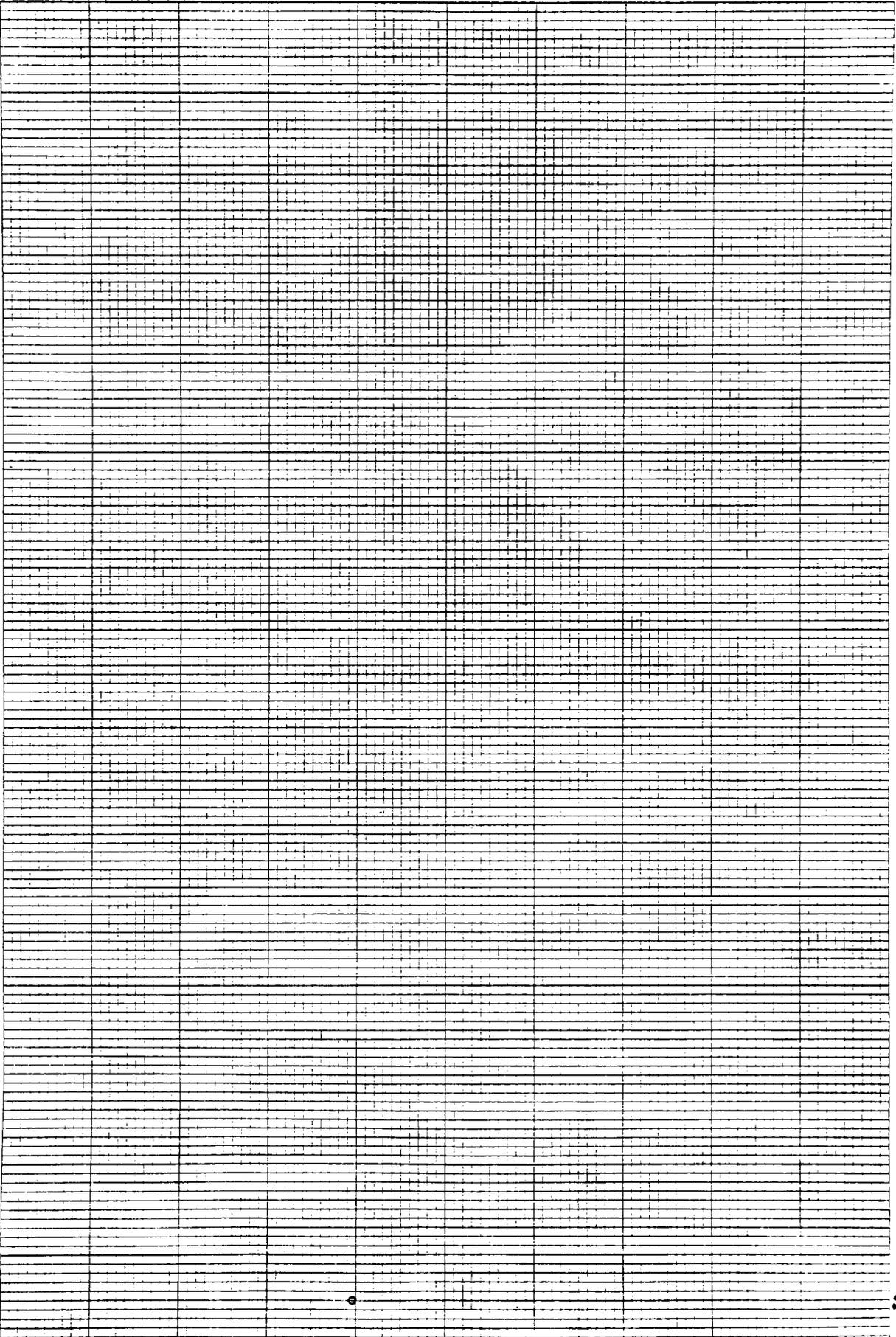
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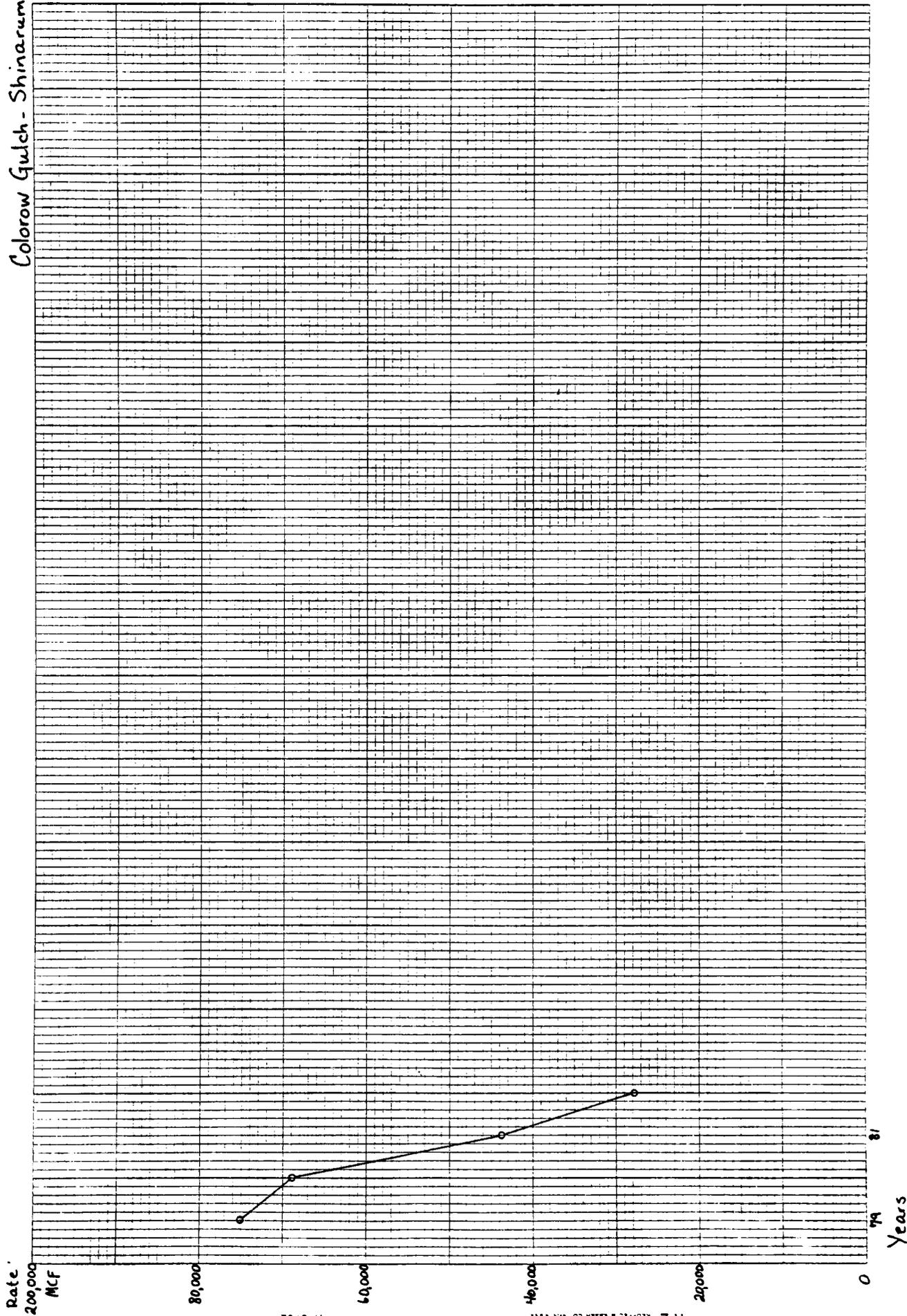
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Years



Colorow Gulch - Shinarump



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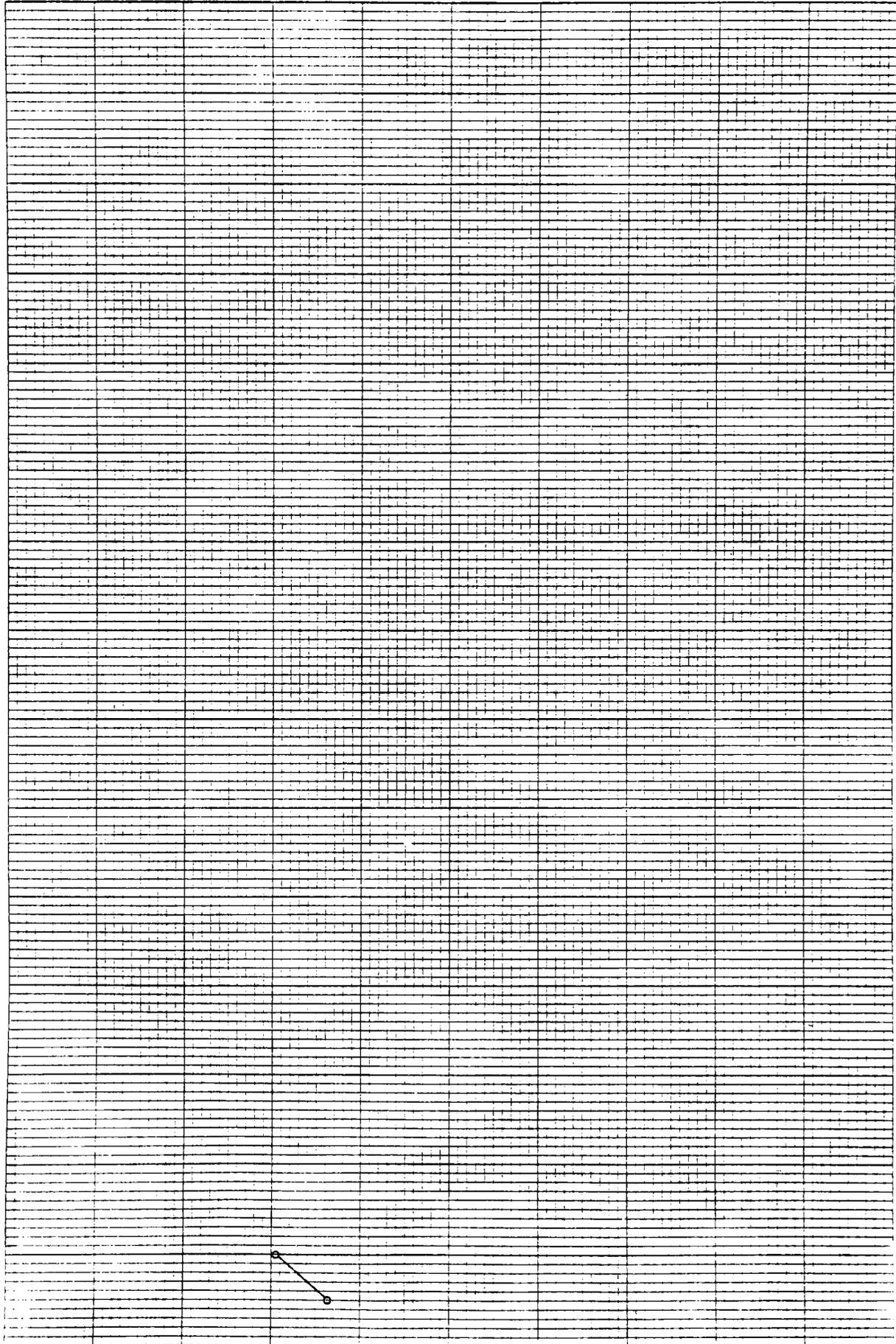
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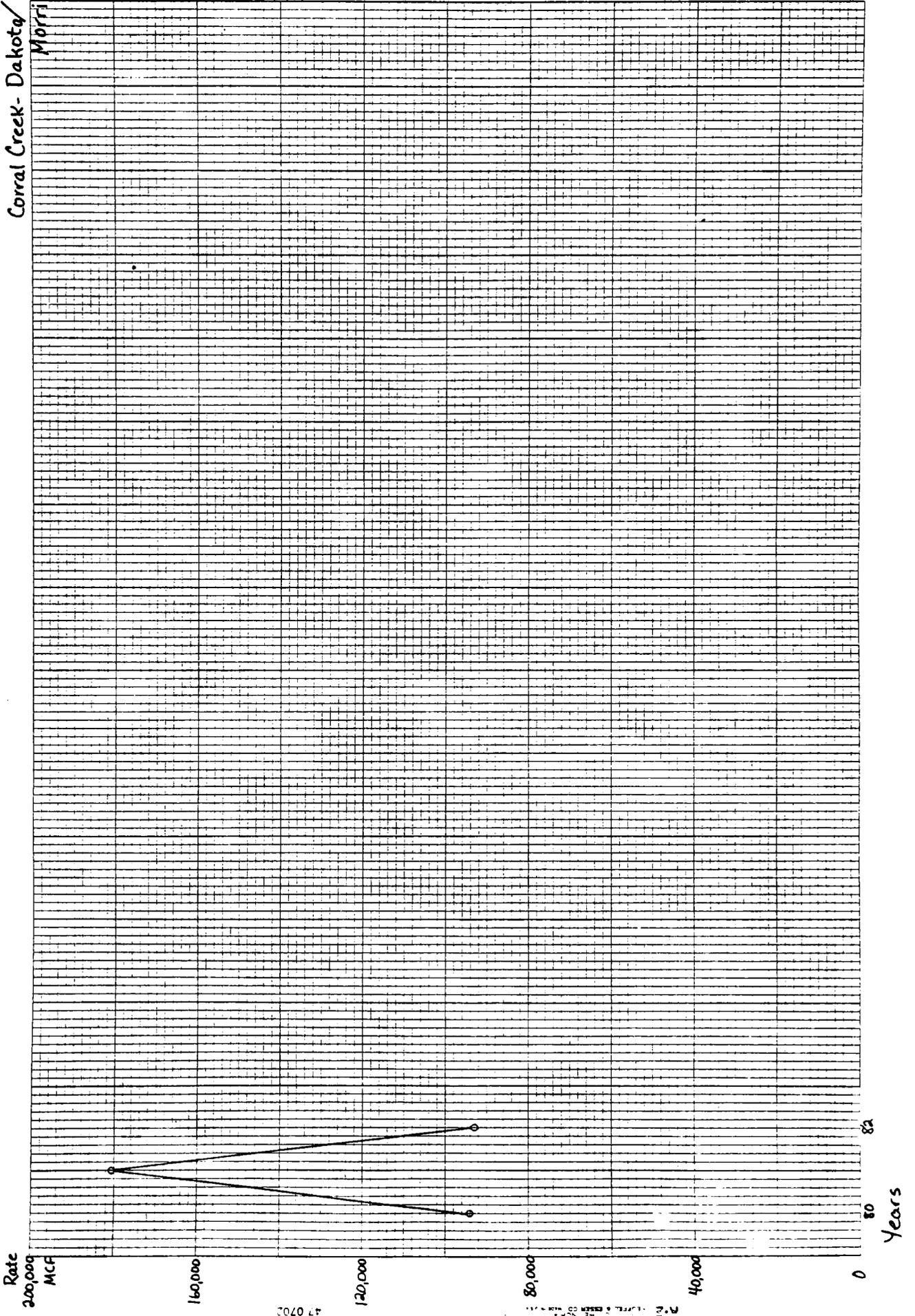
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Rate MCF

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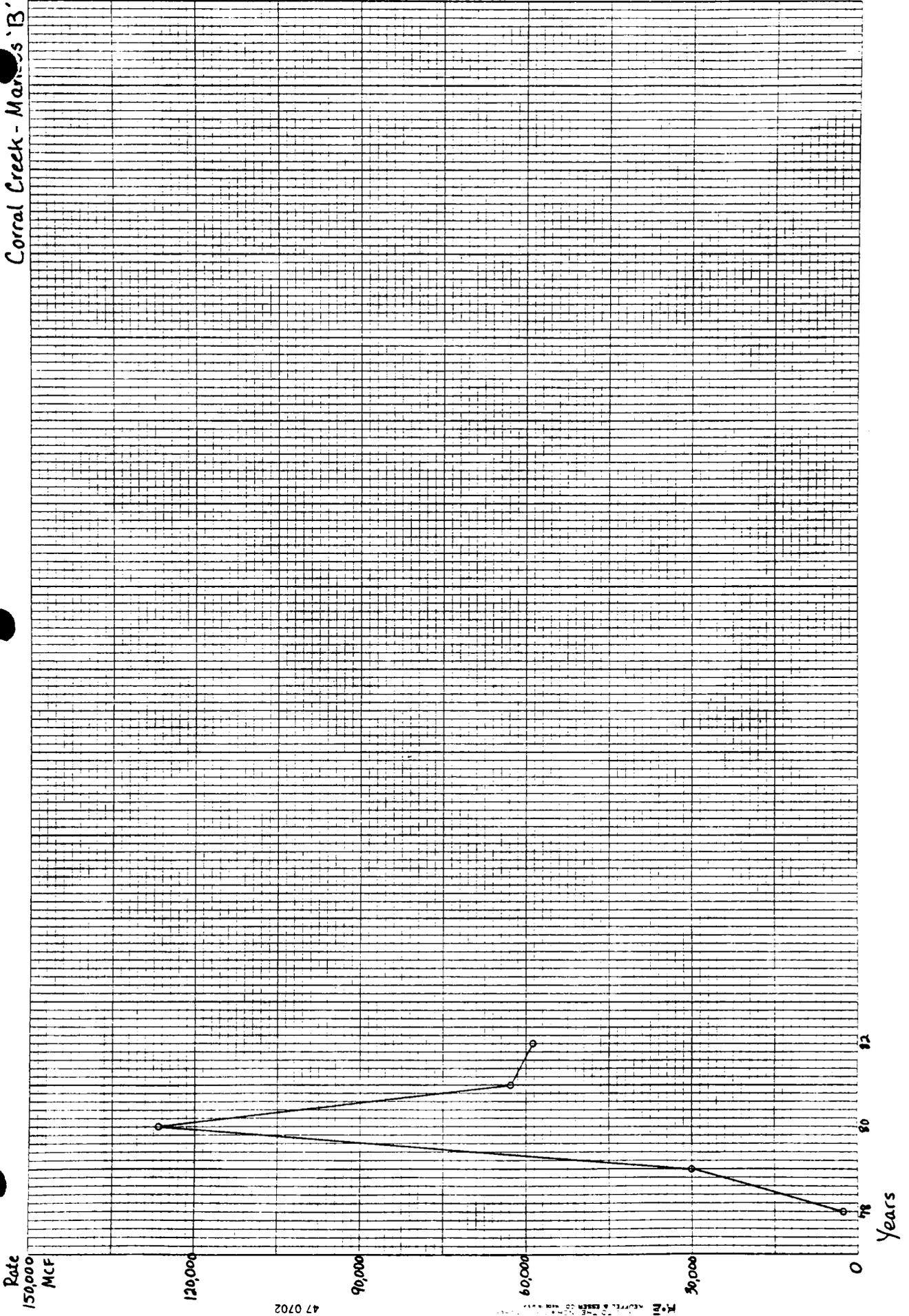


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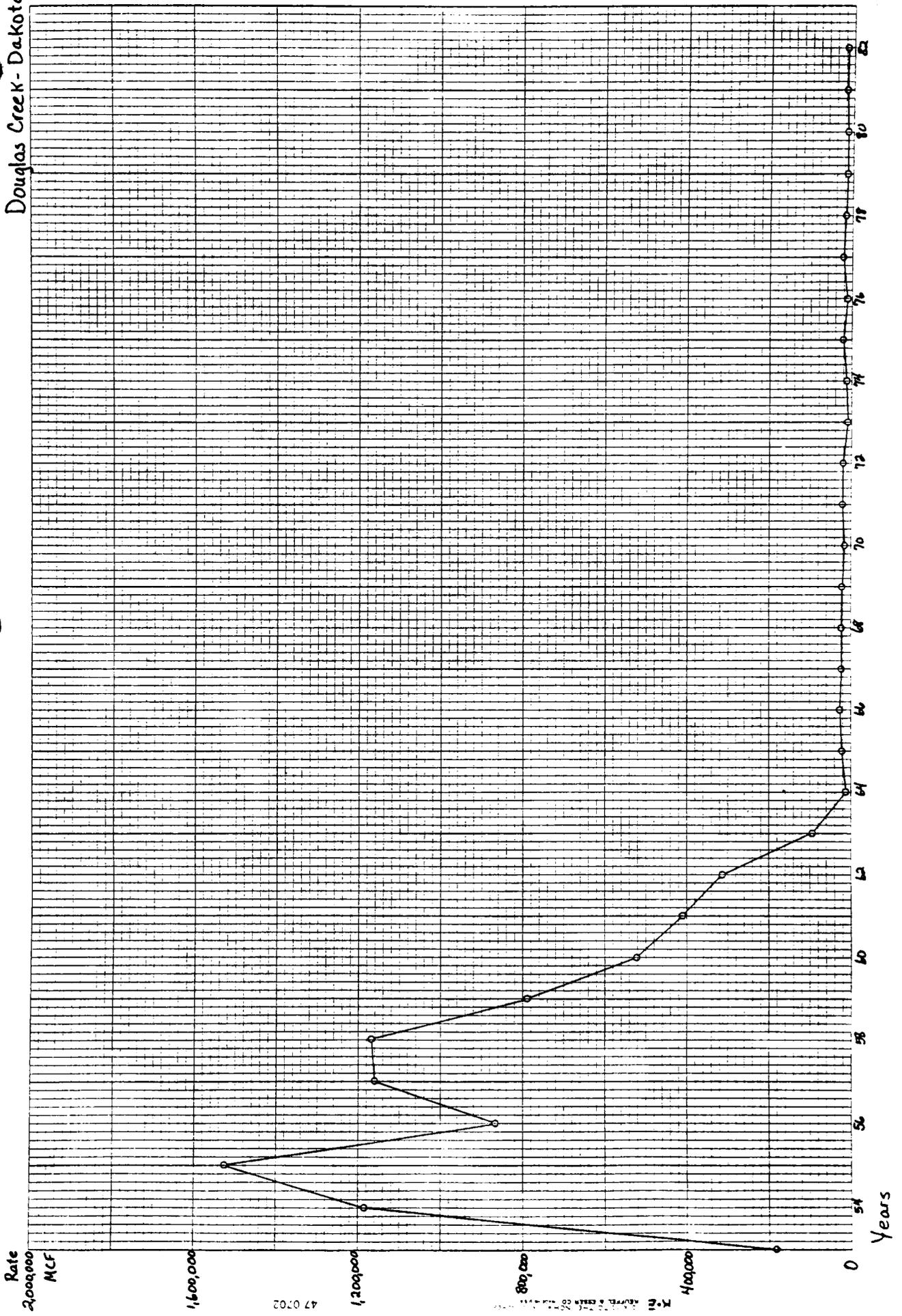
Rate MCF

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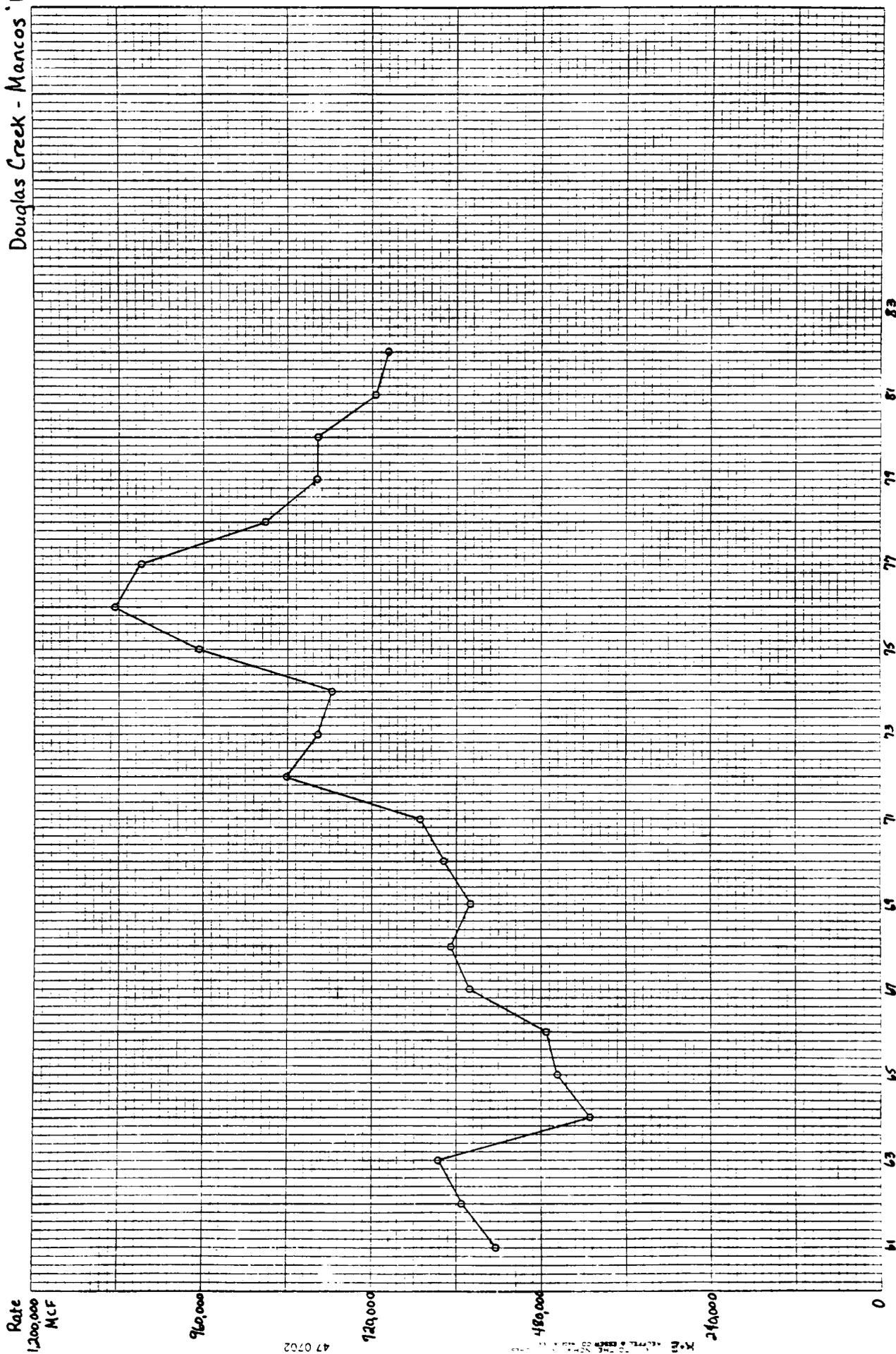
Douglas Creek - Dakota



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Douglas Creek - Mancos 'B'



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Douglas Creek North- Dakota

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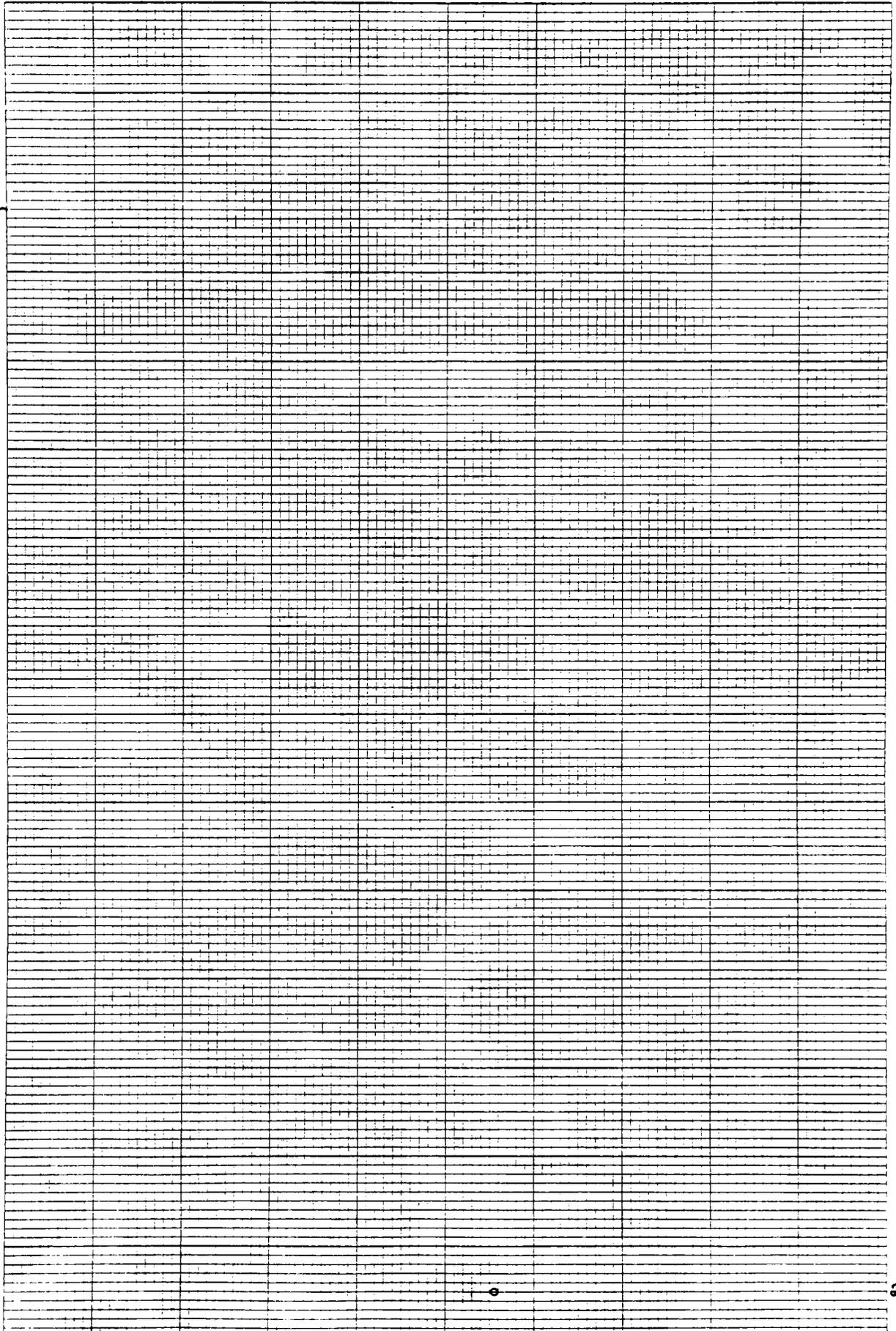
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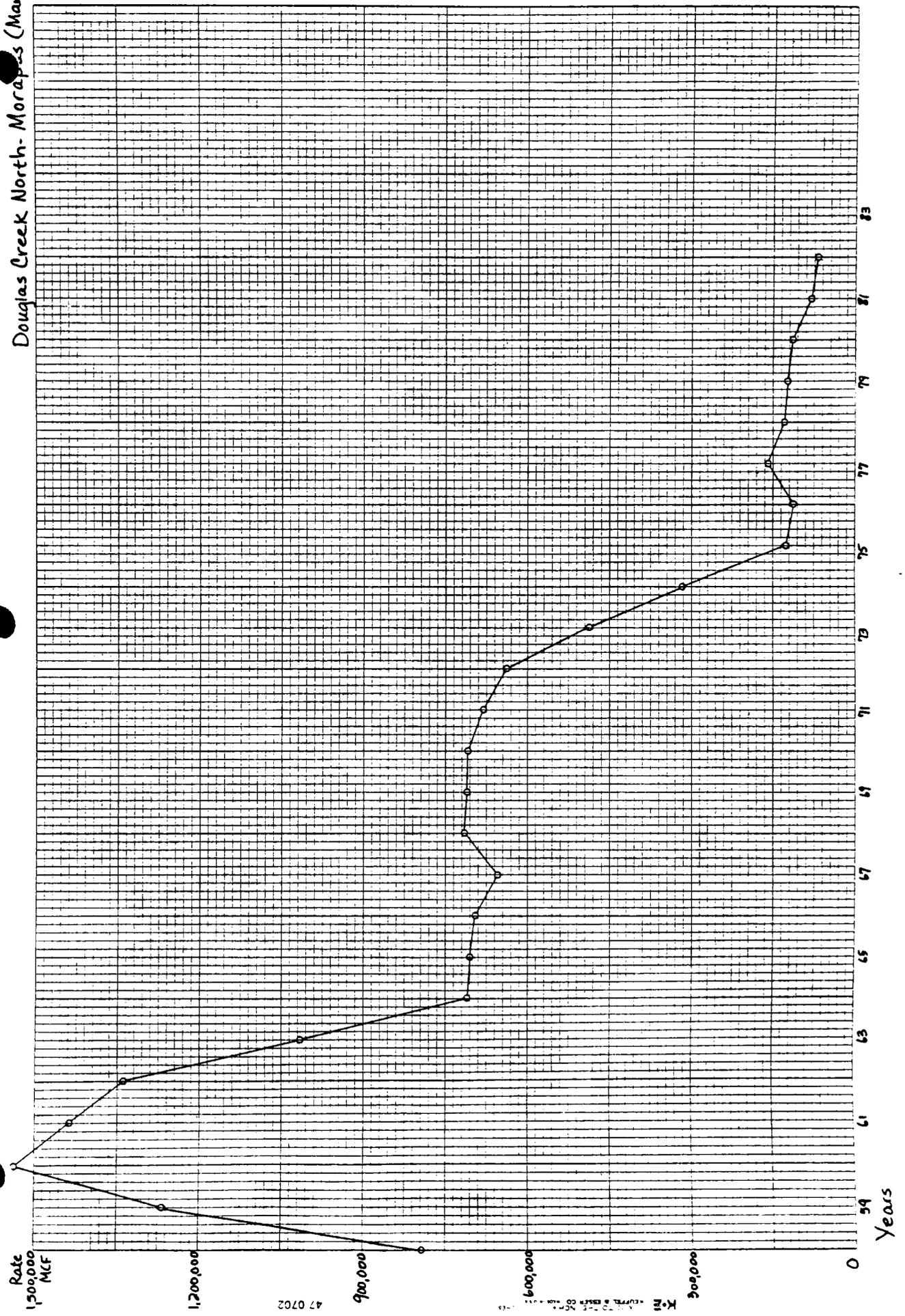
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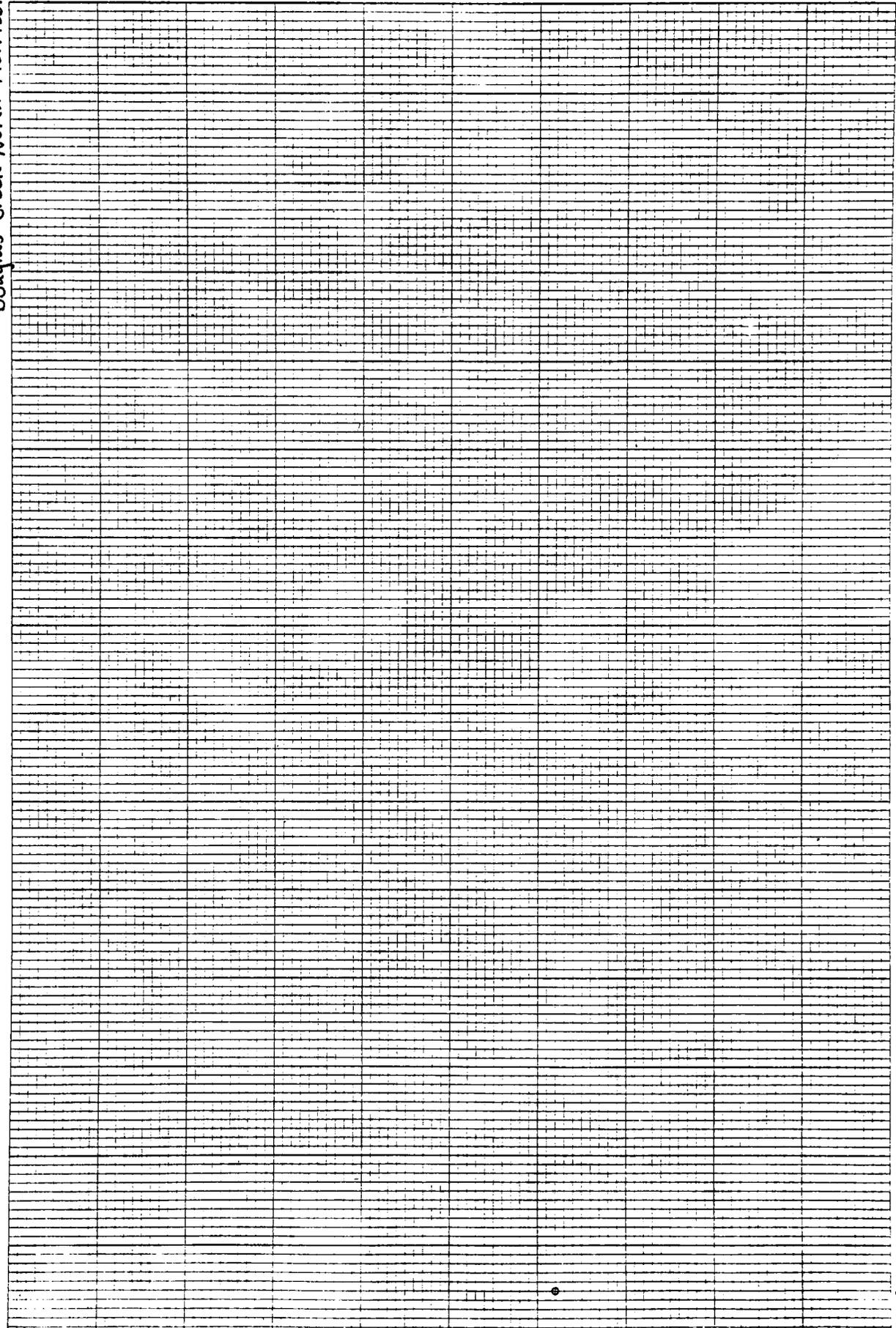
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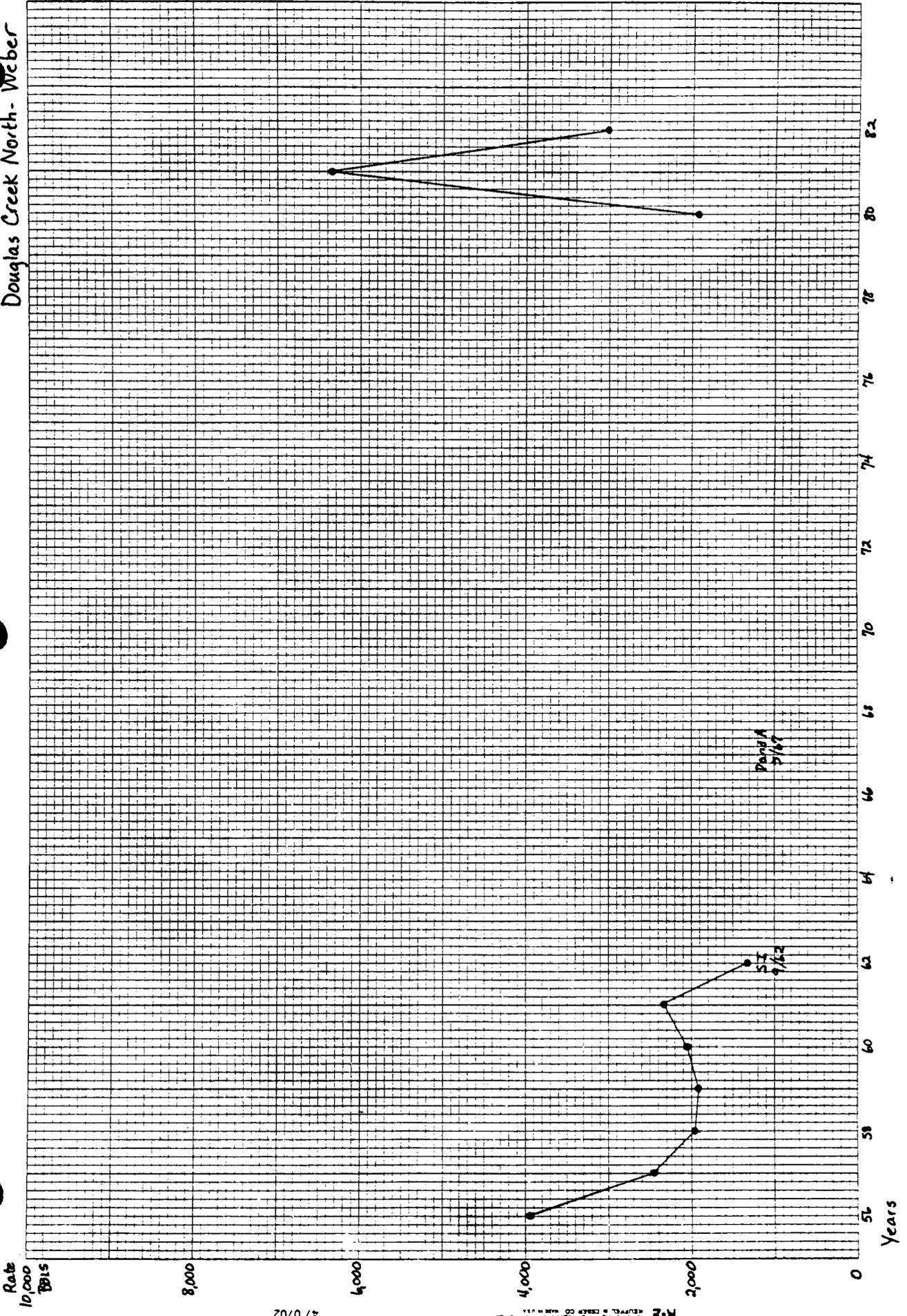
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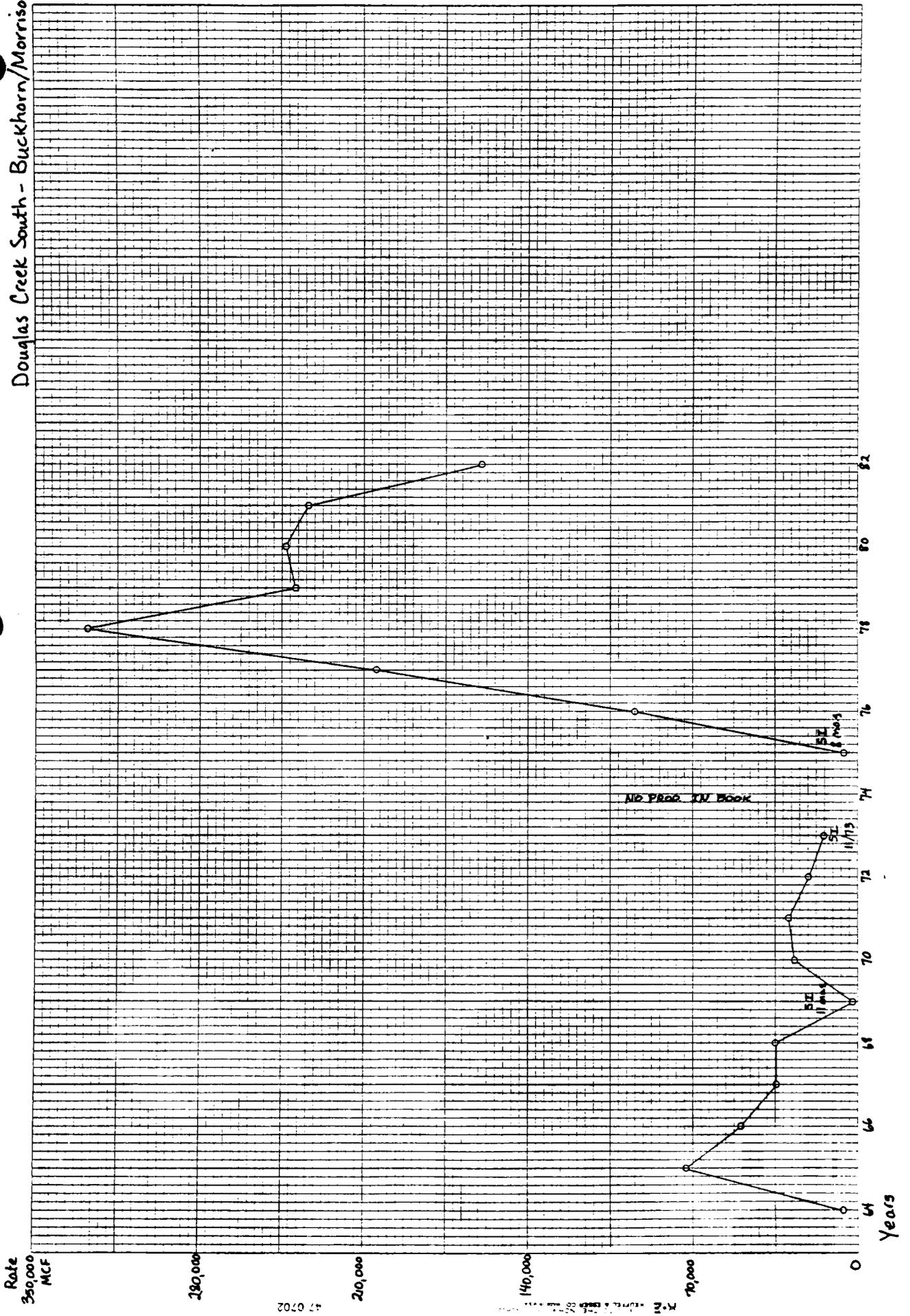
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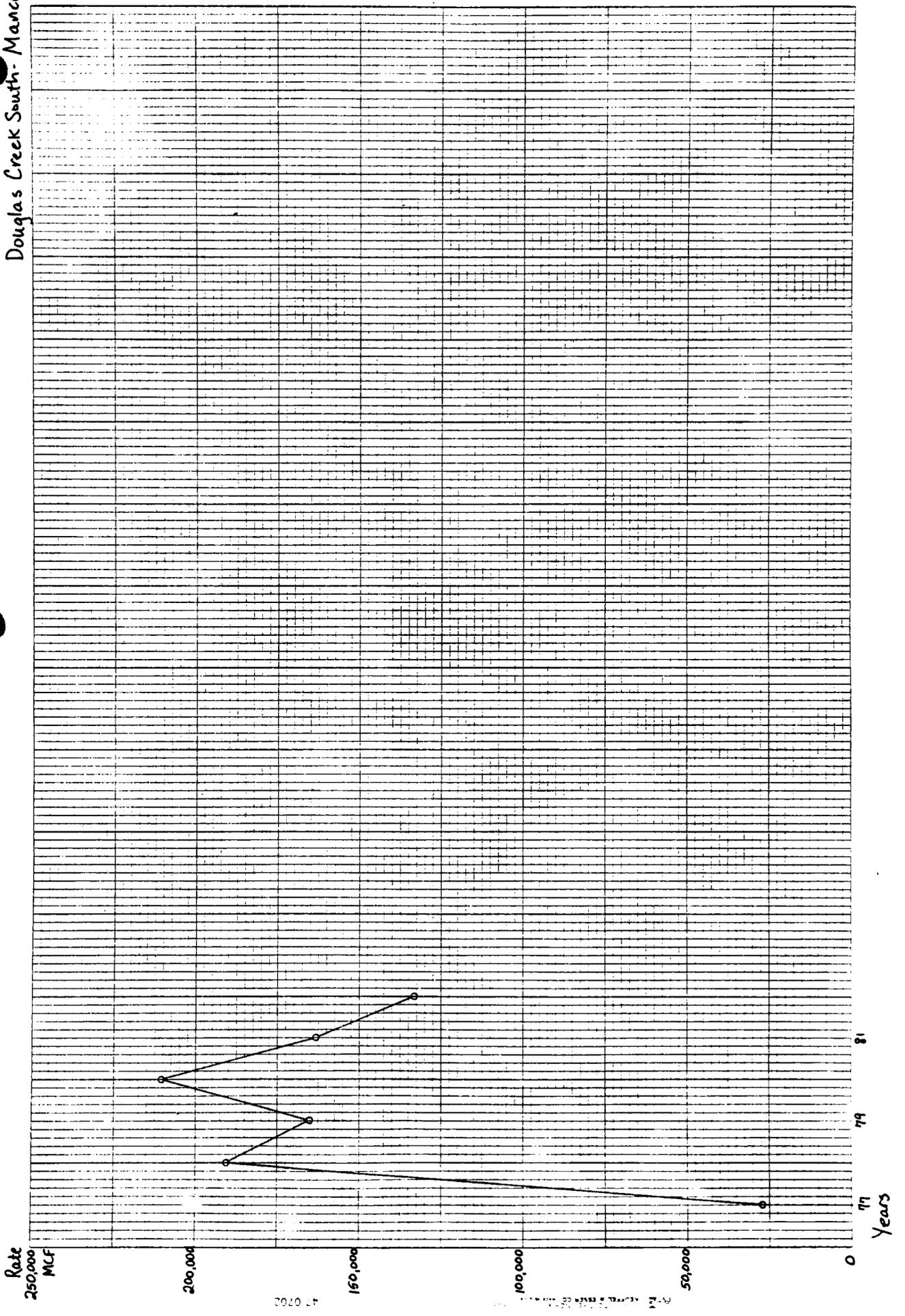
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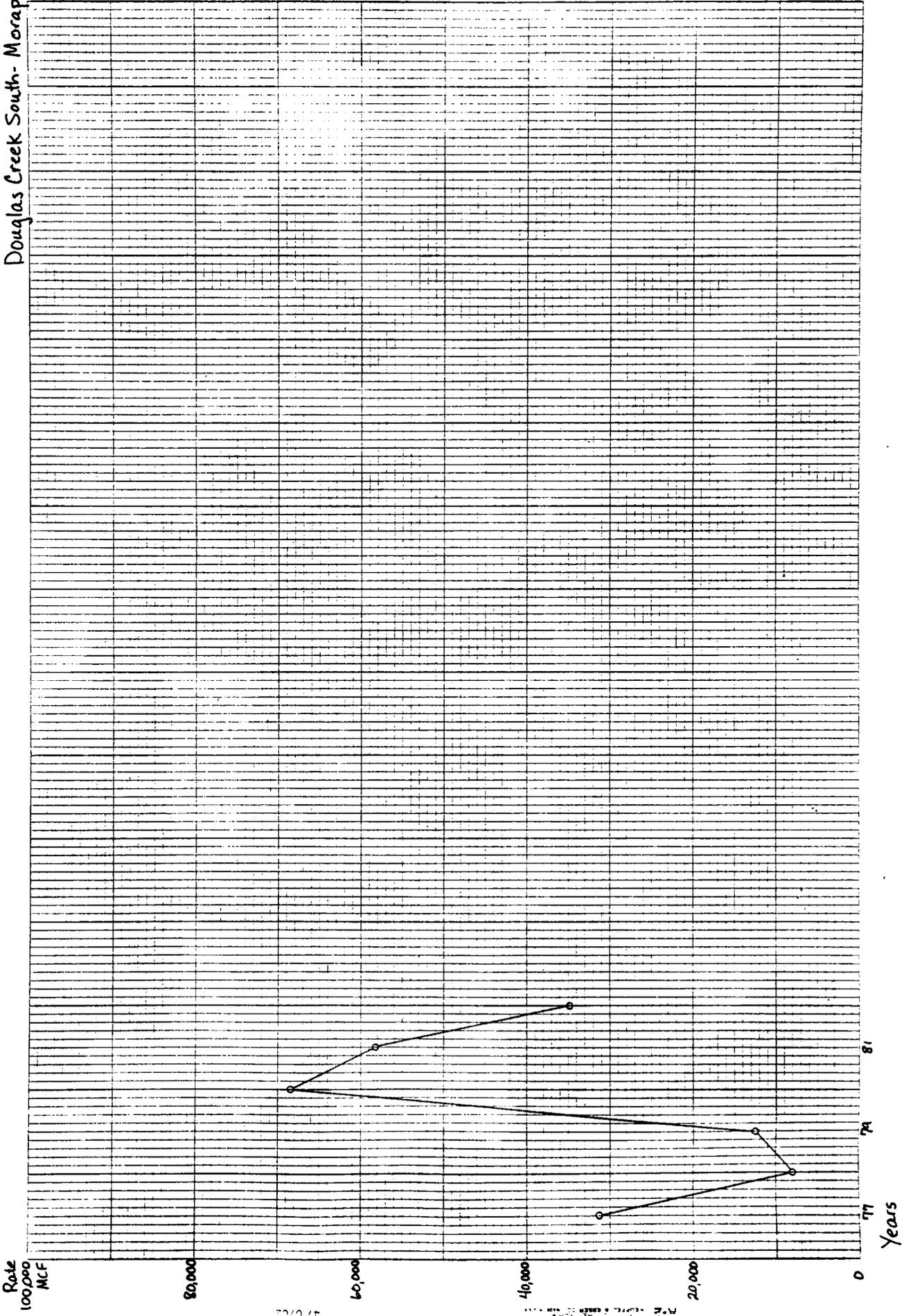
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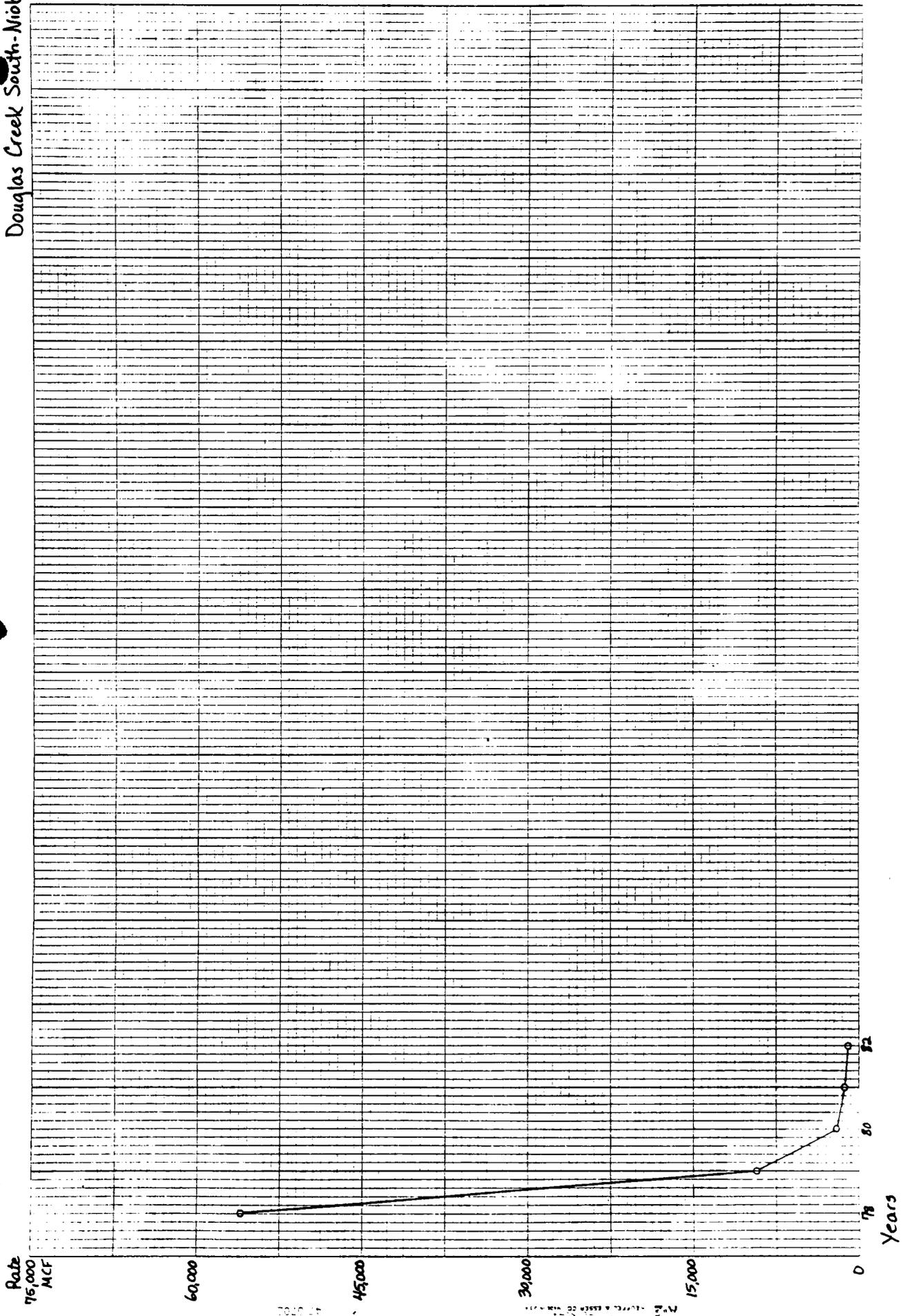
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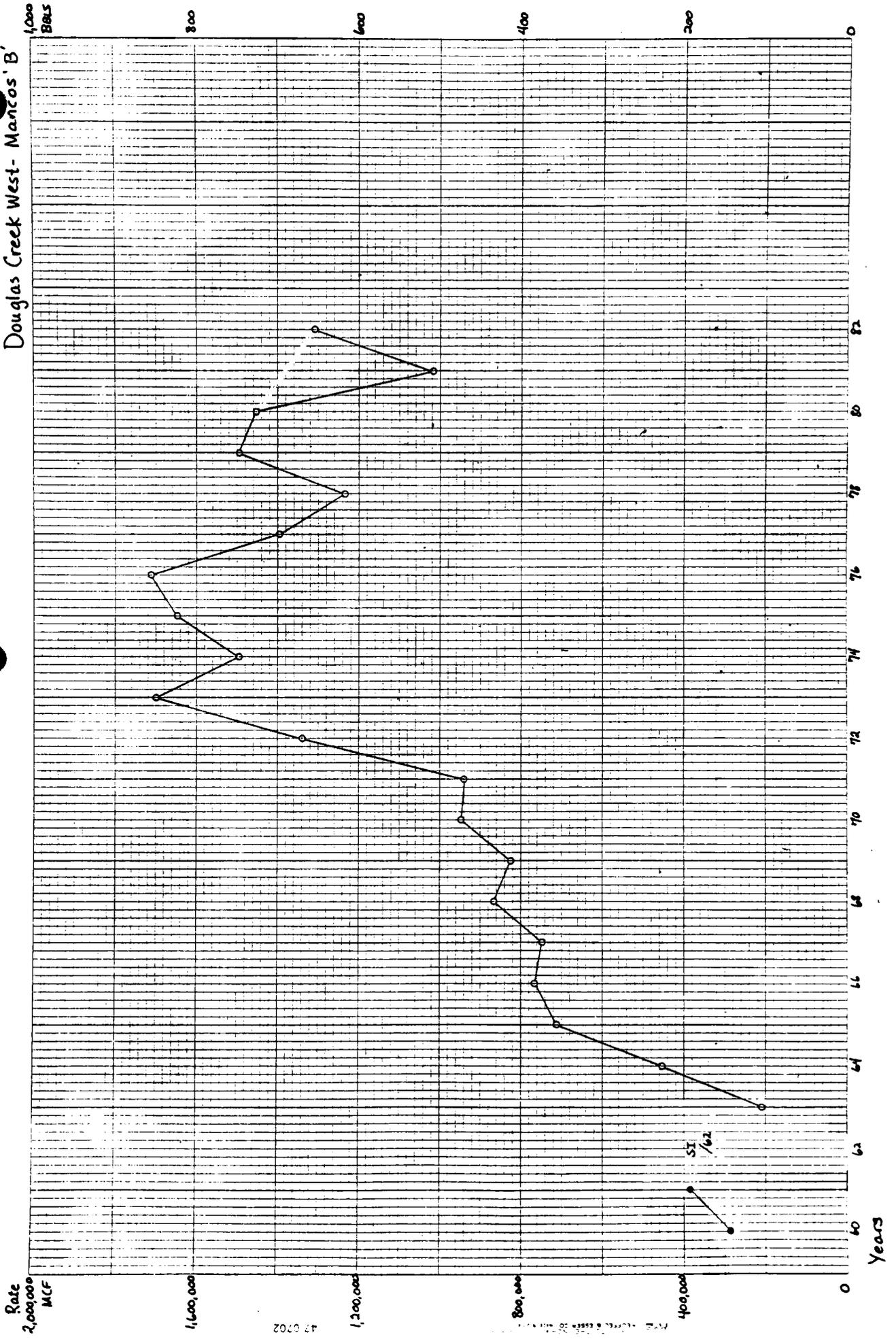
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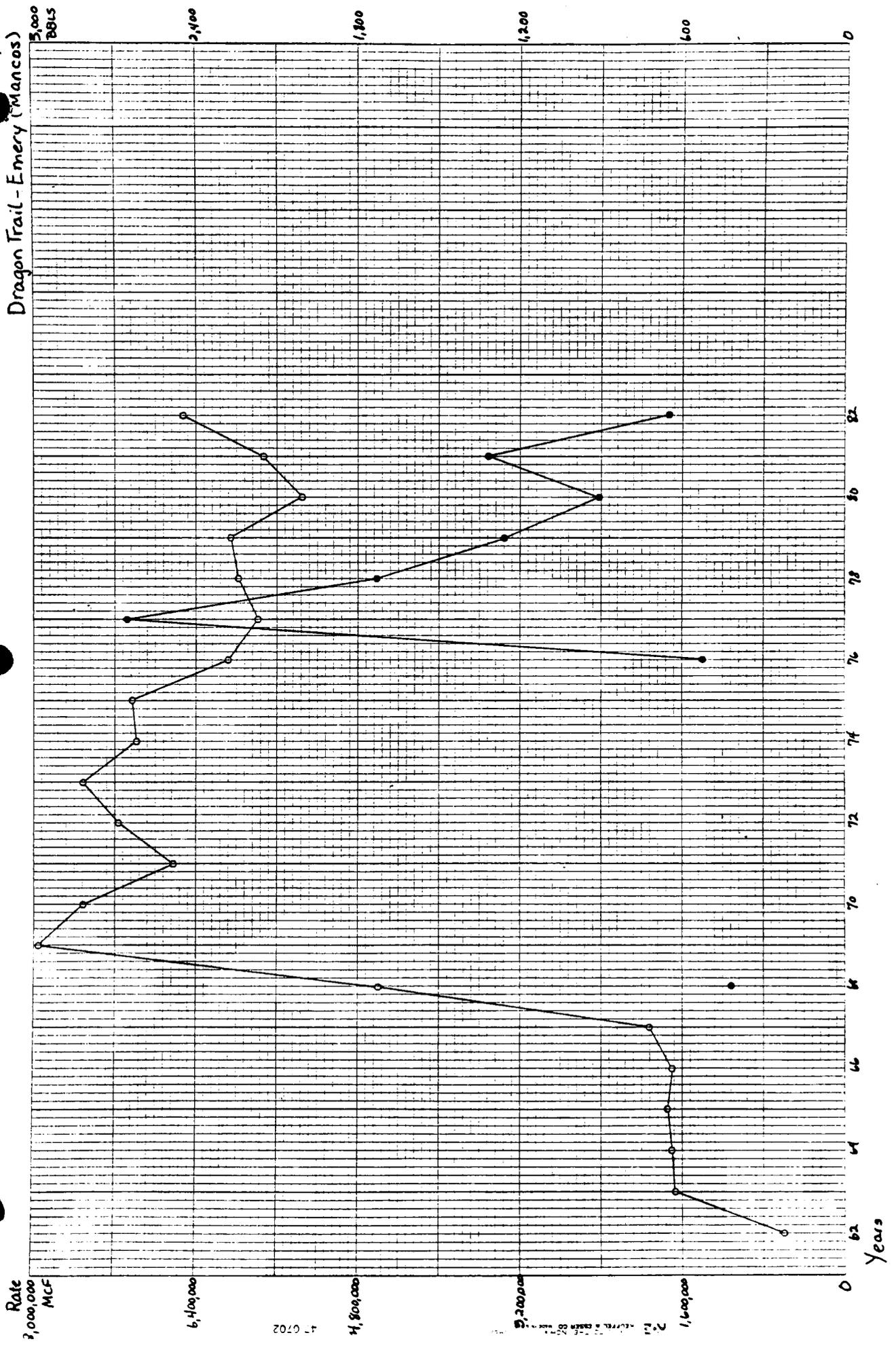
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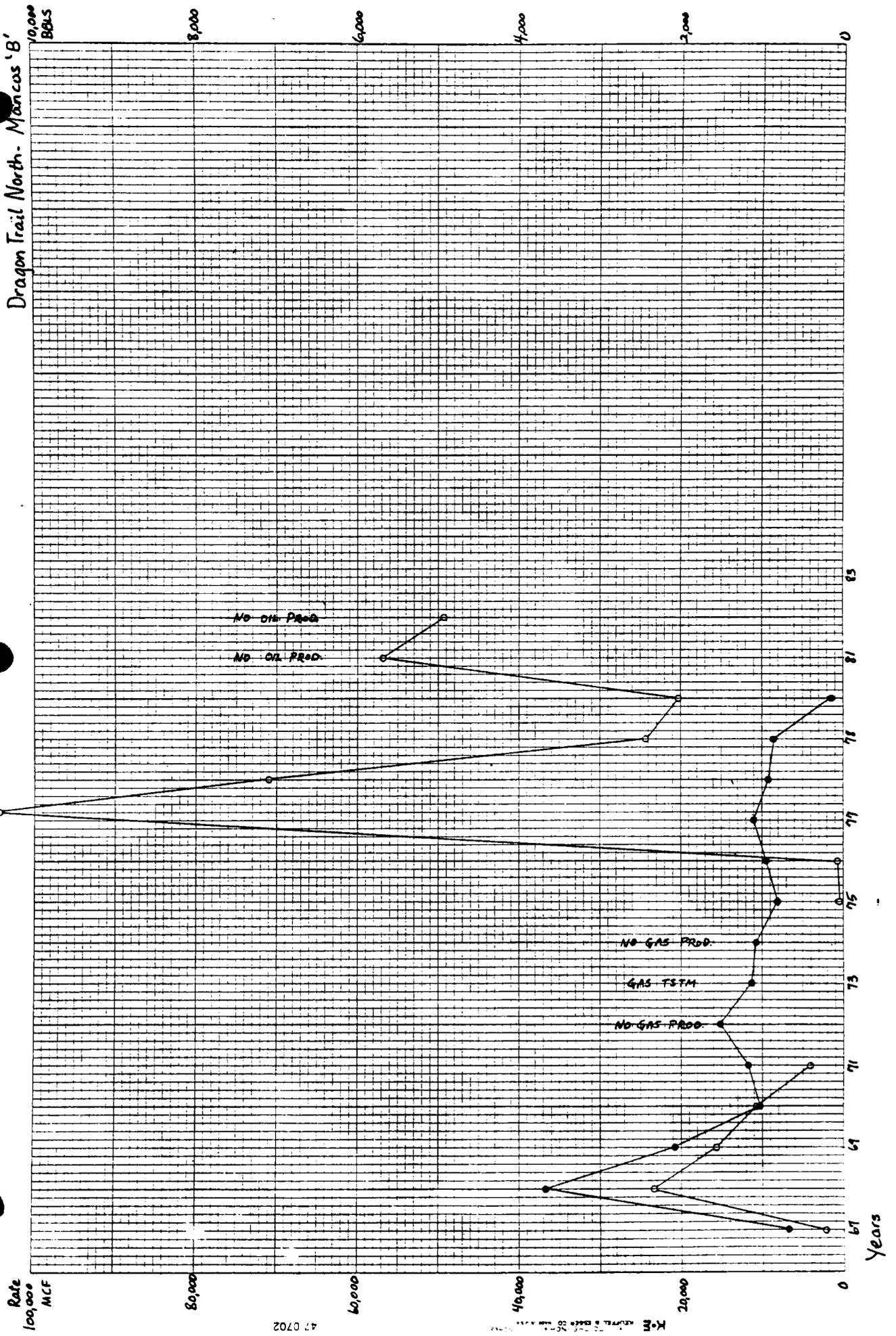


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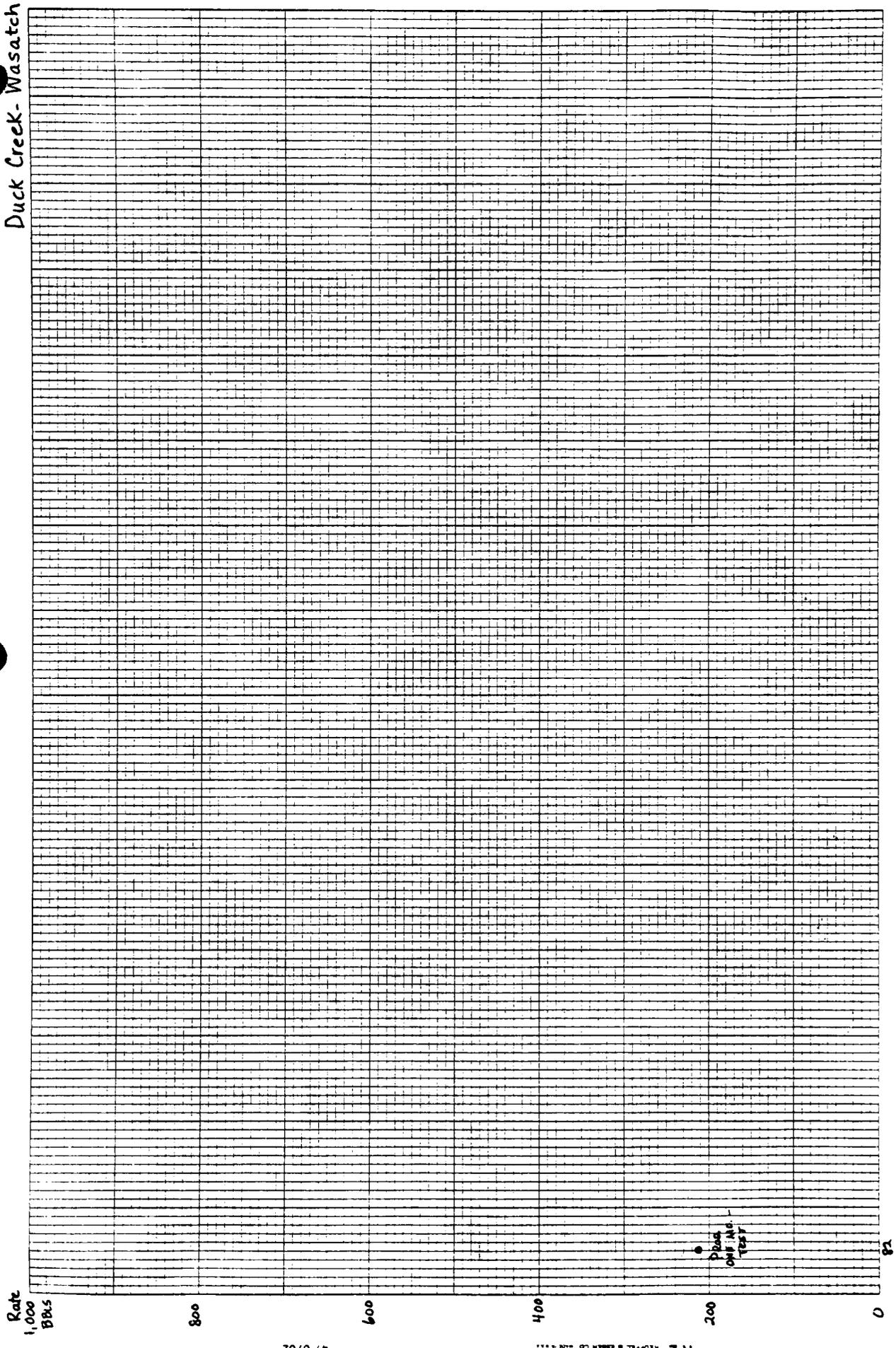
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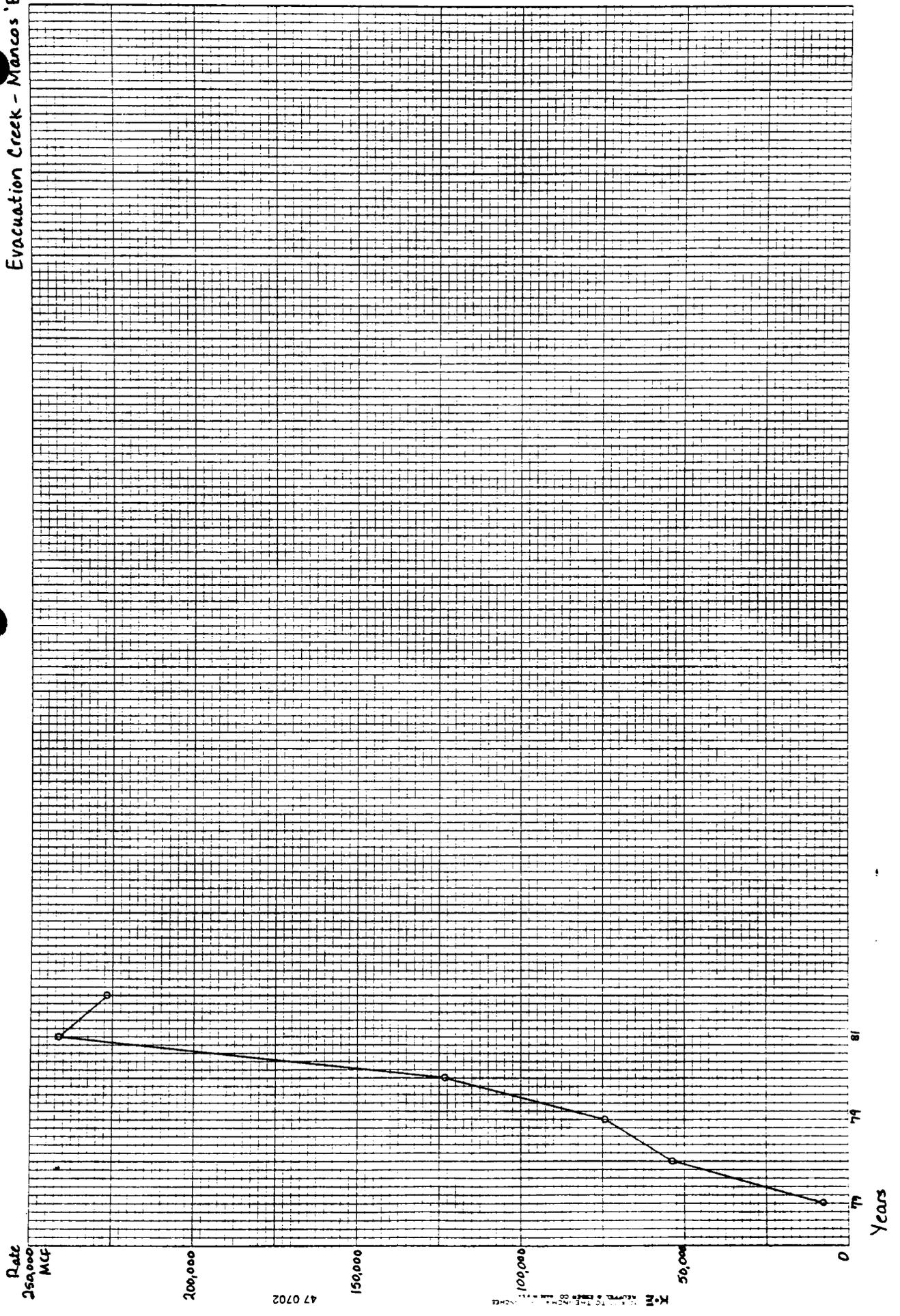


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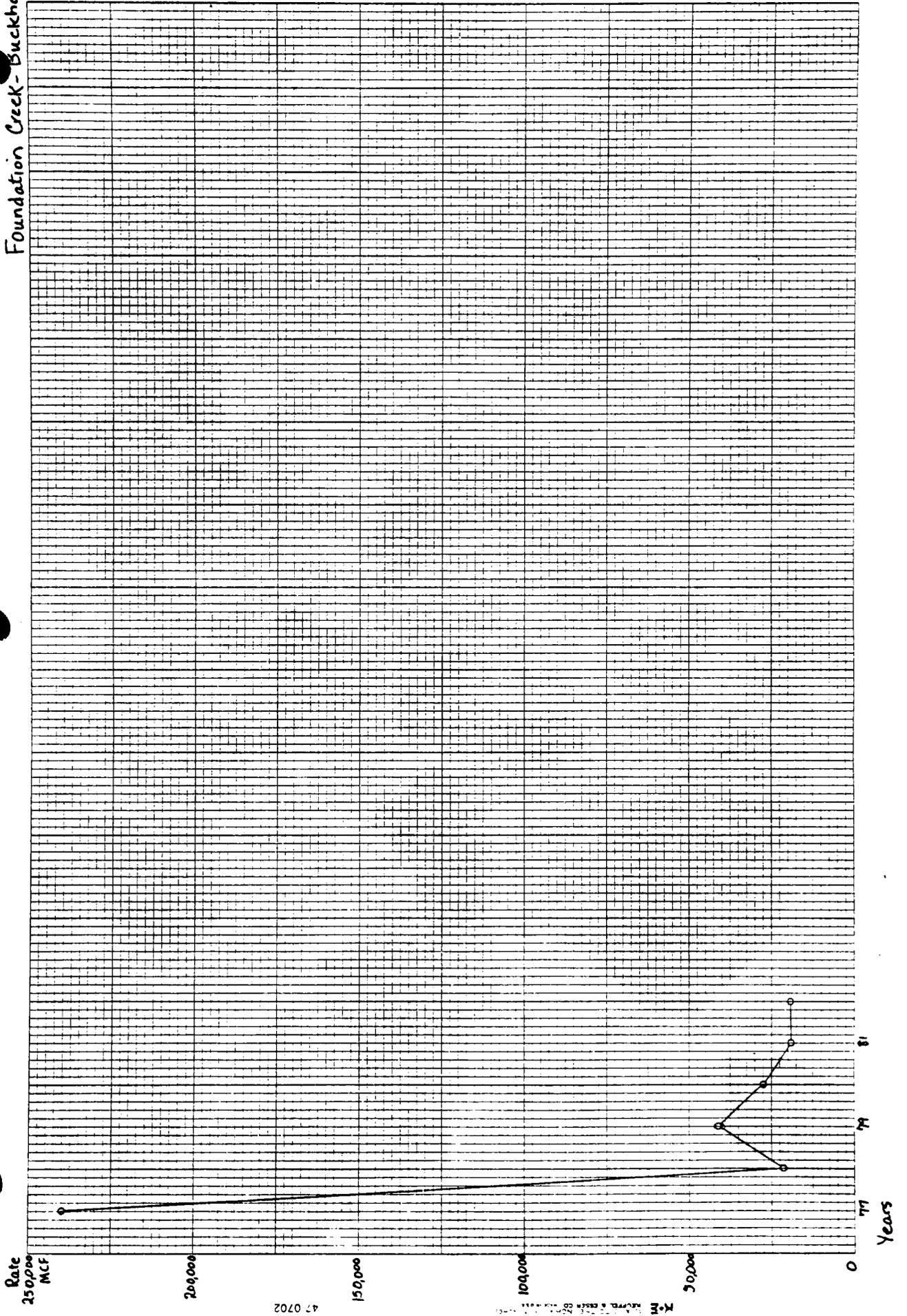
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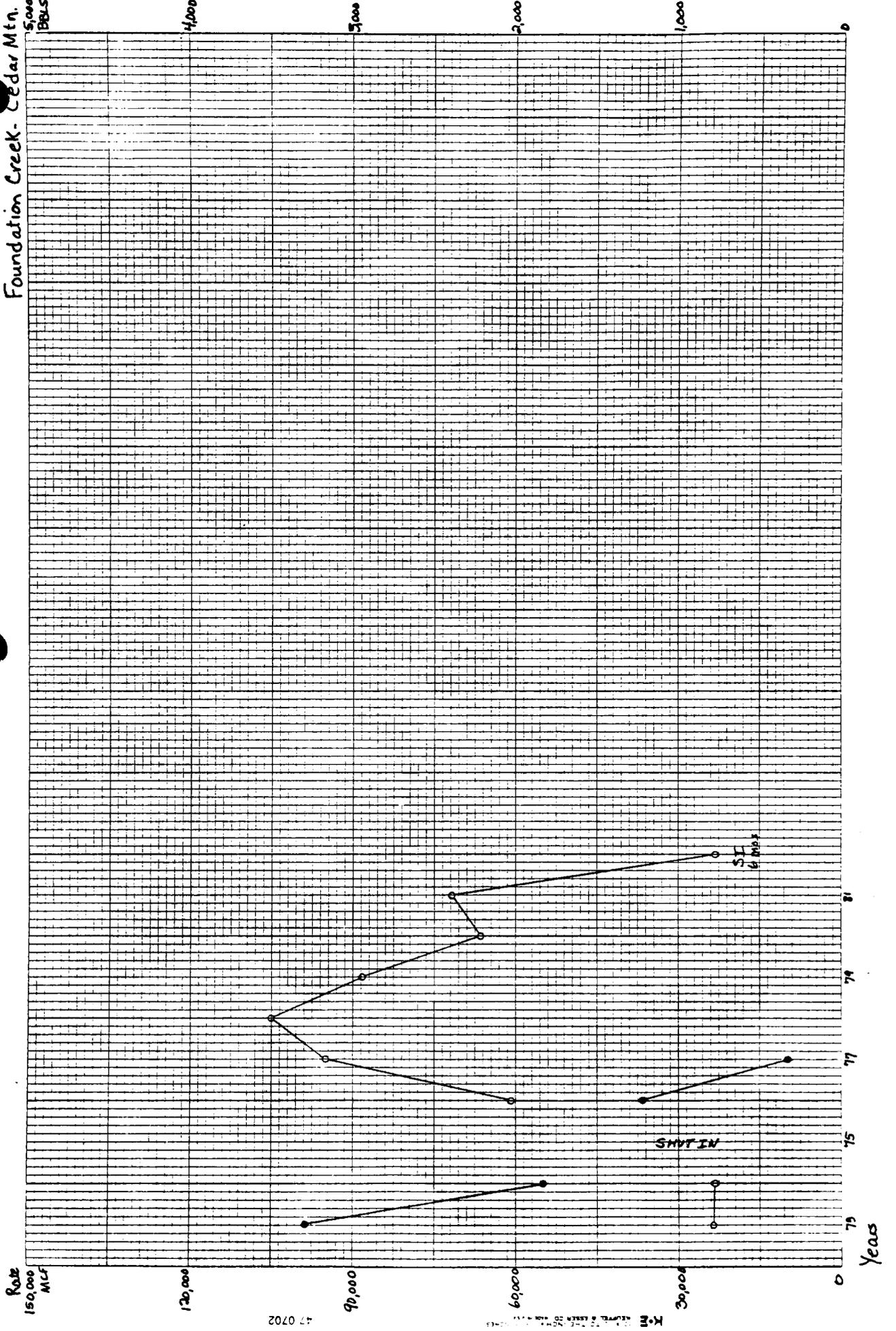
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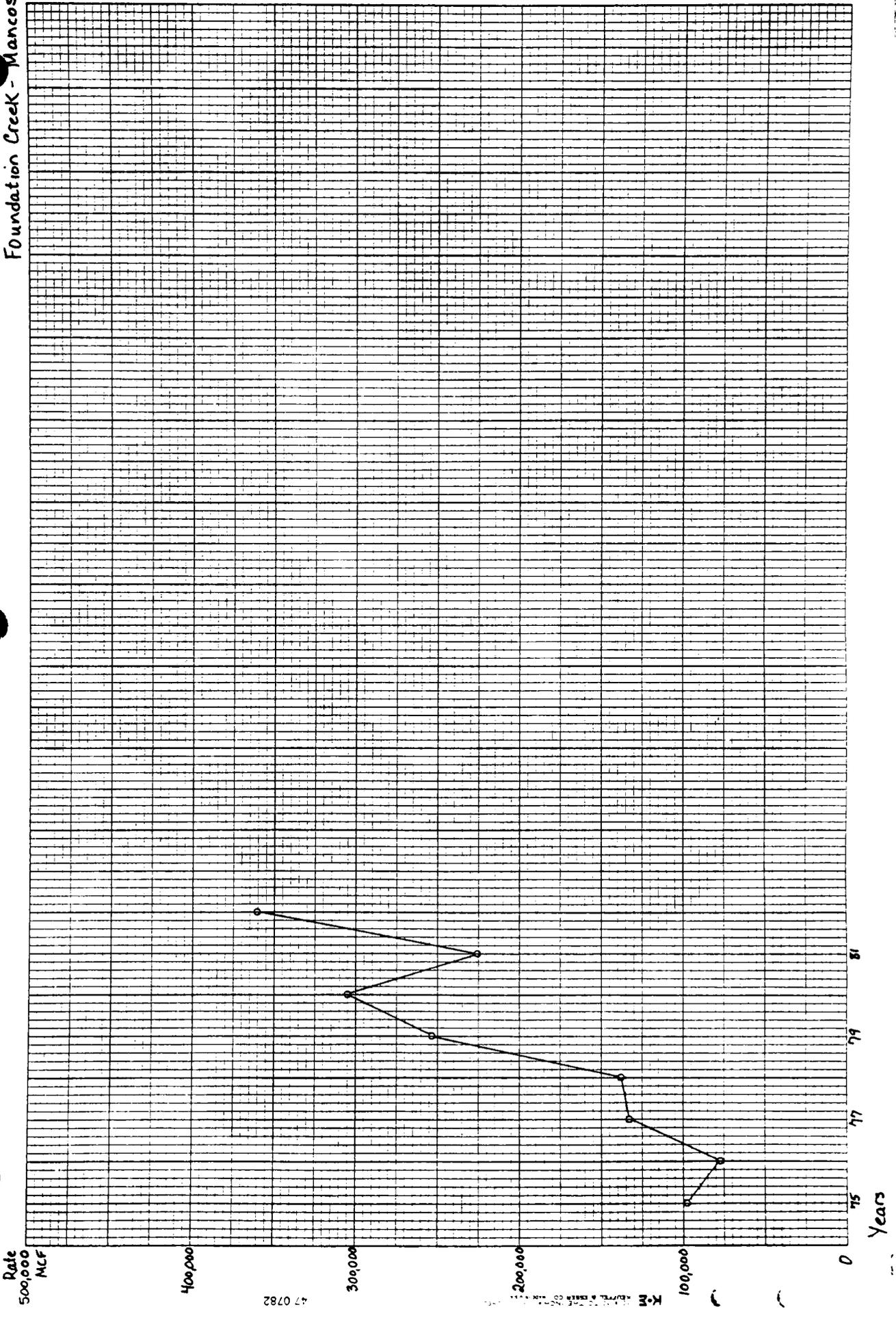
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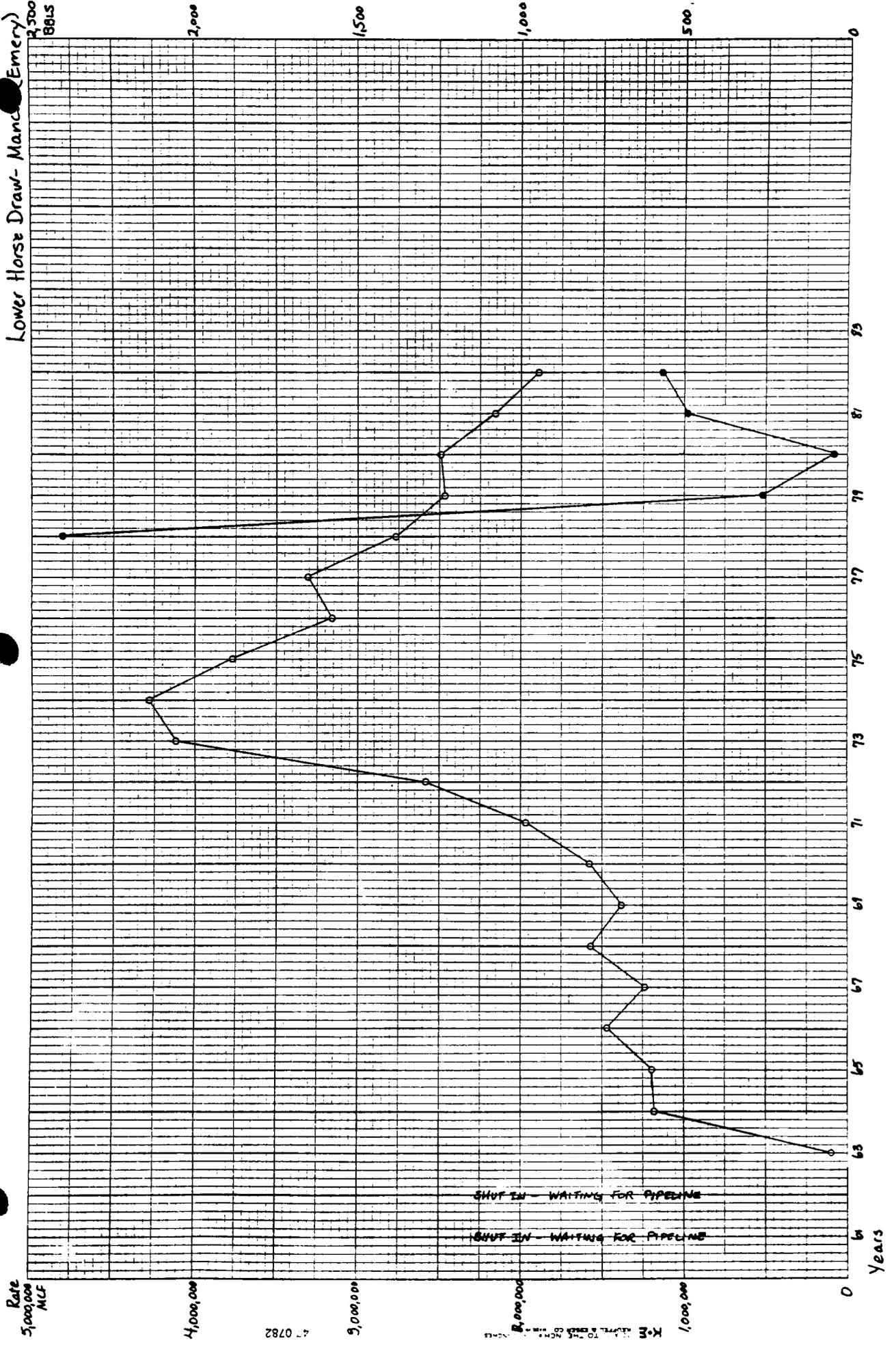
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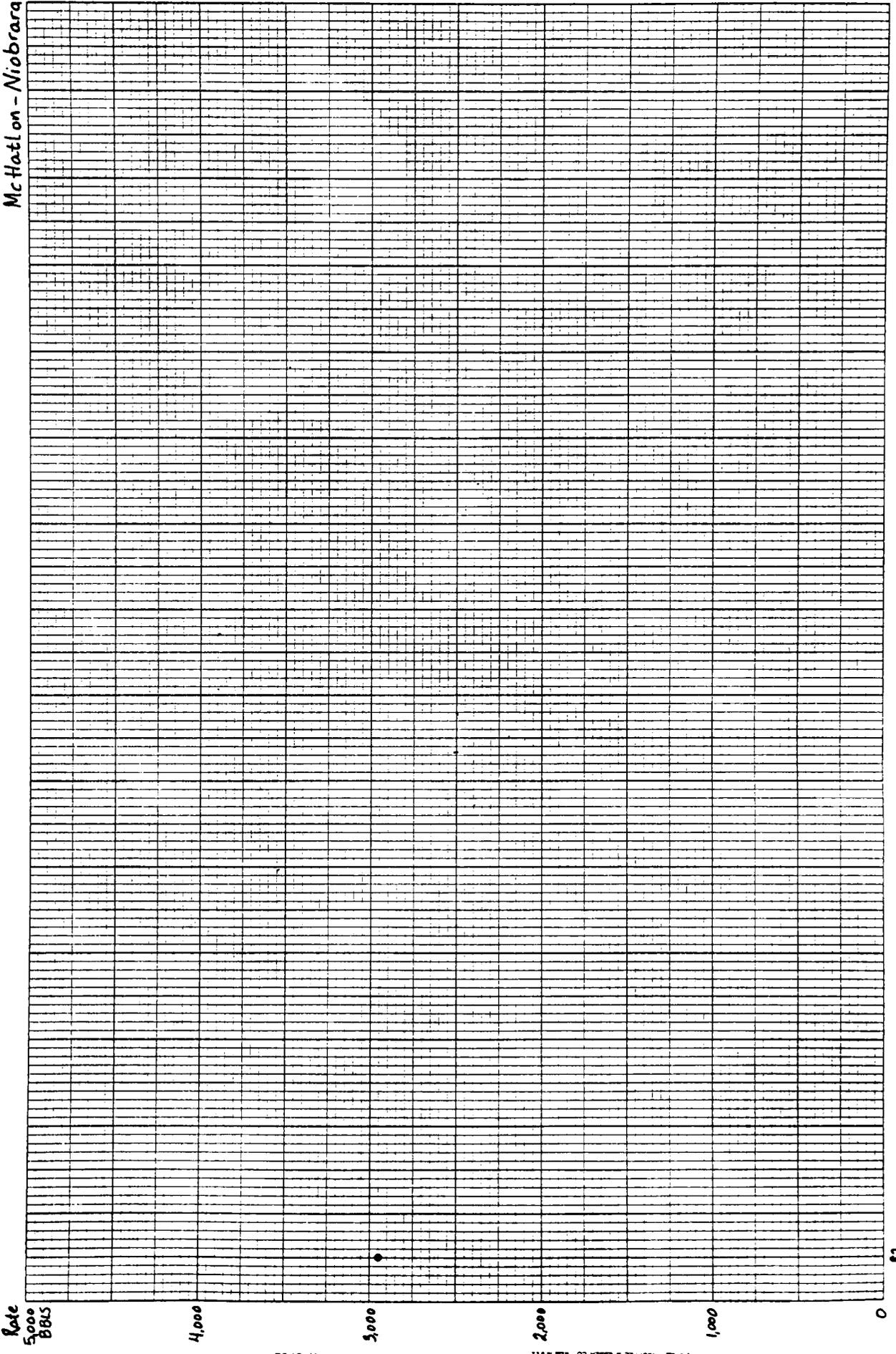


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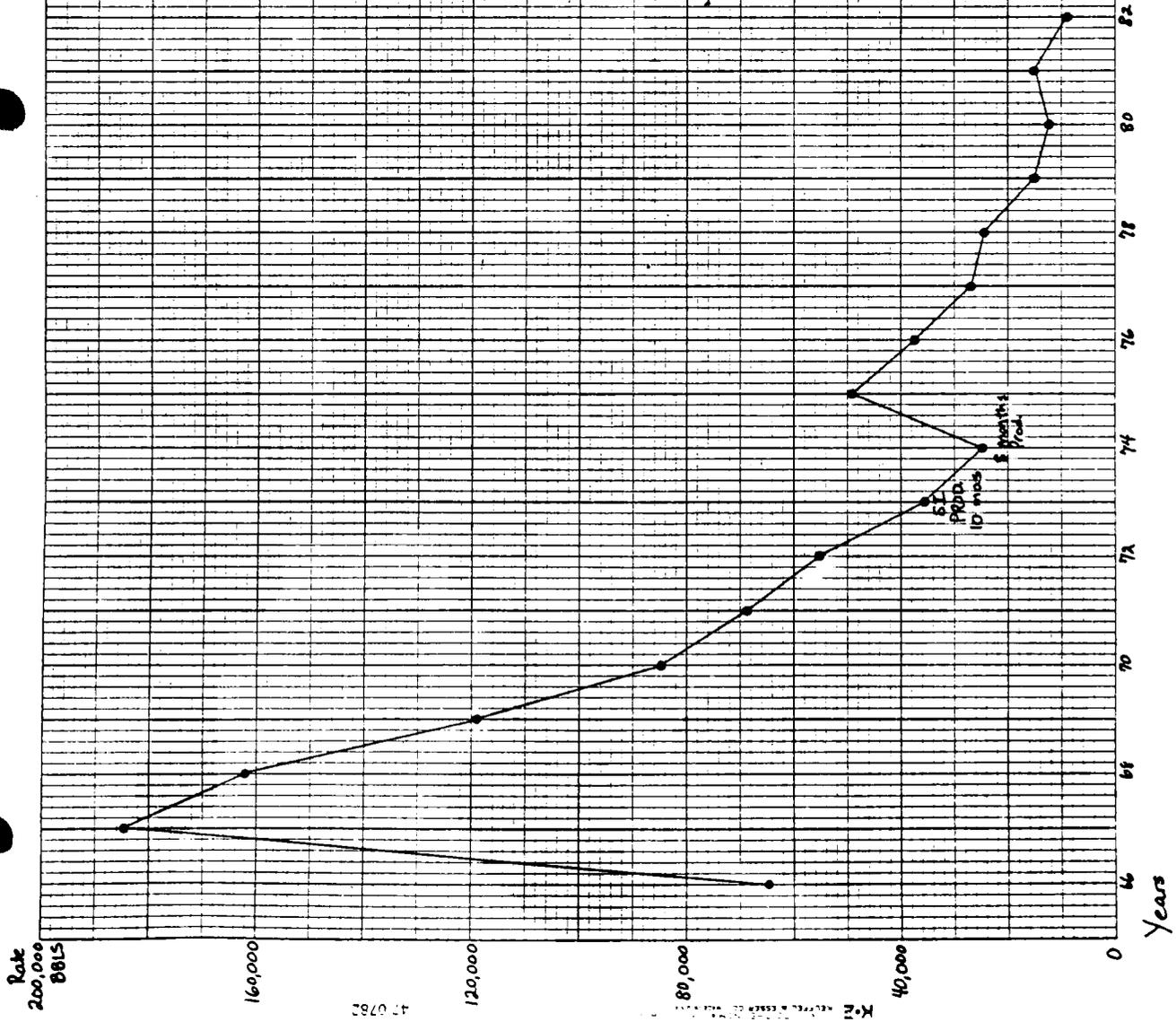
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Nine Mile - Dakota



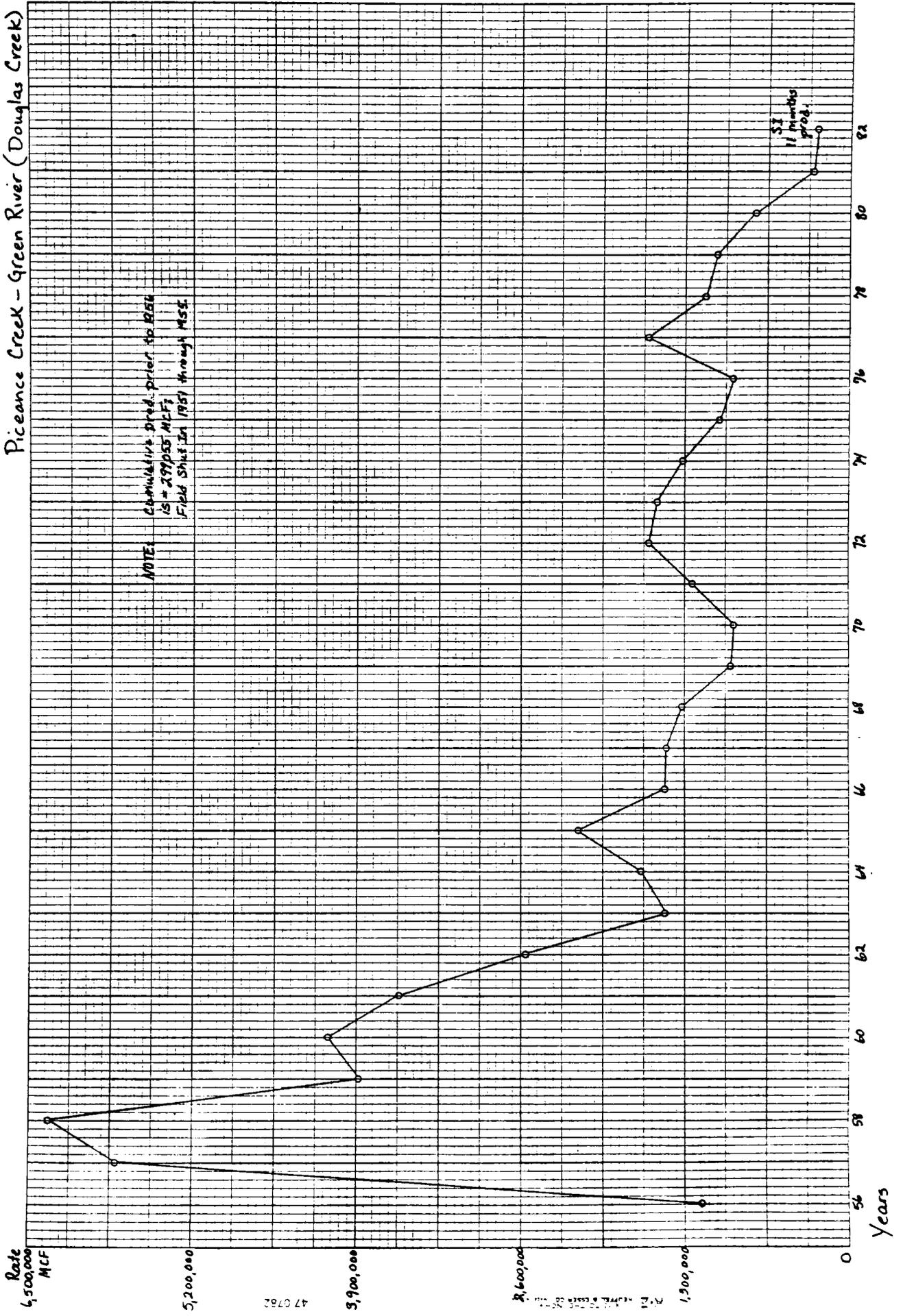
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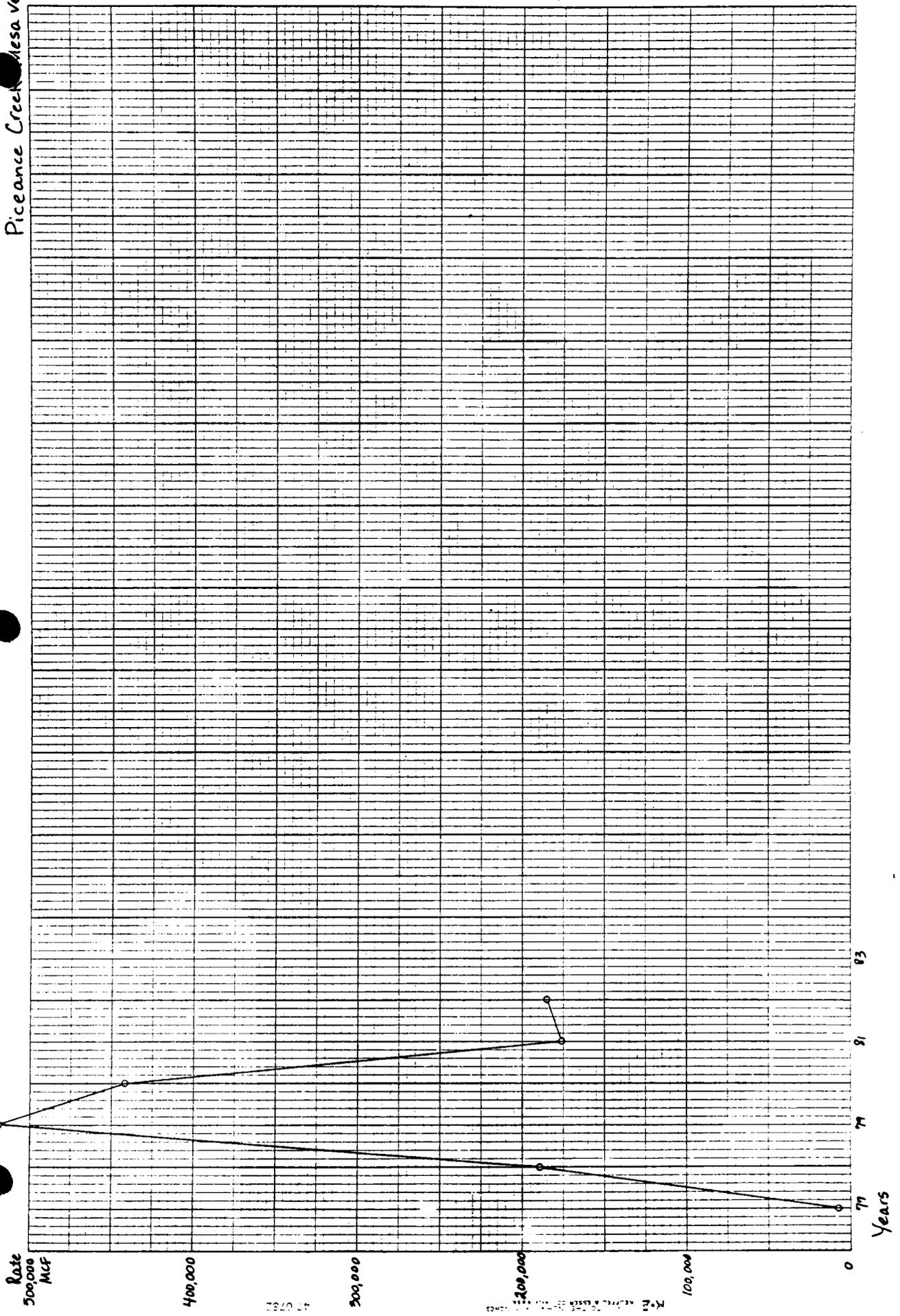
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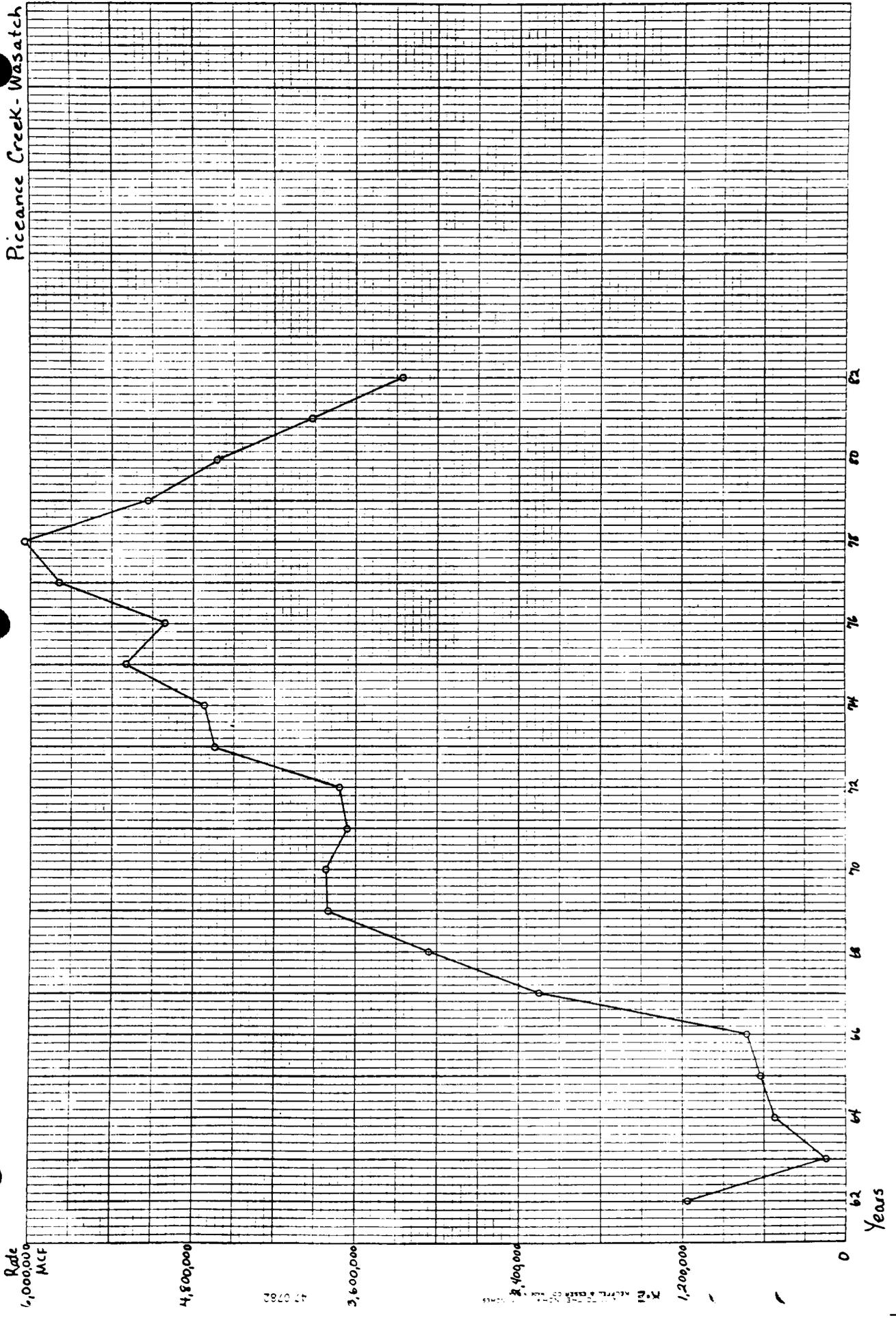
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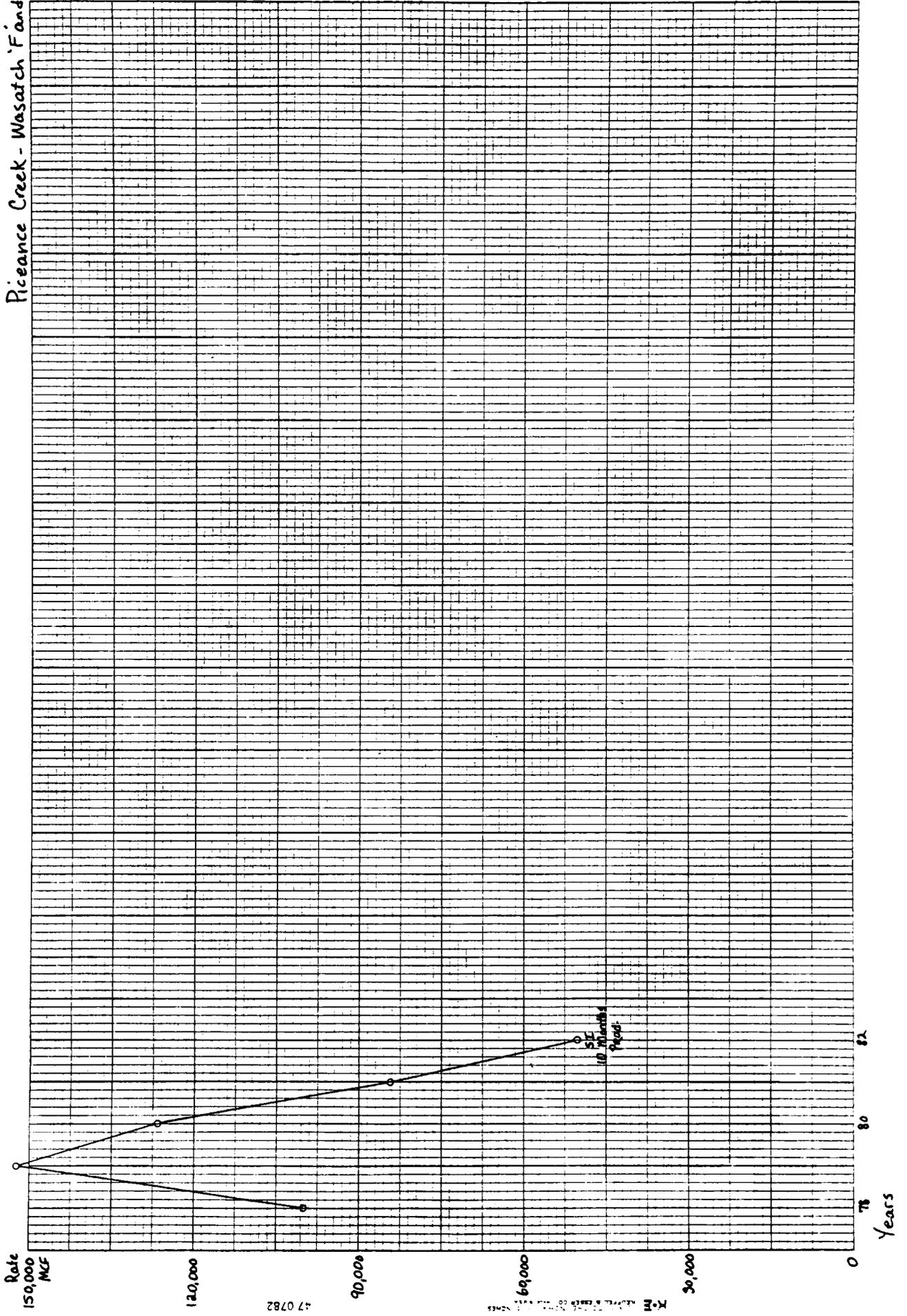
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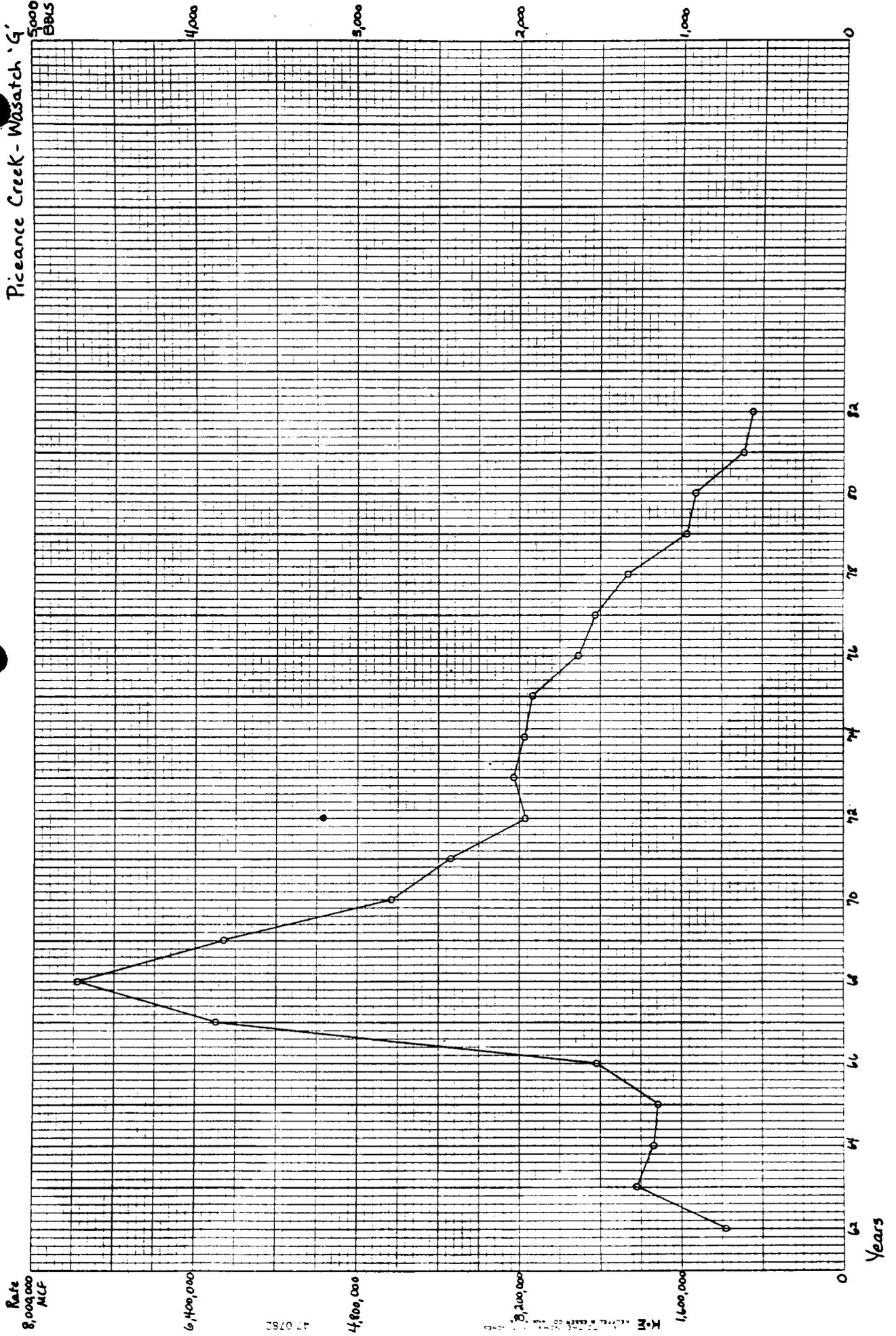
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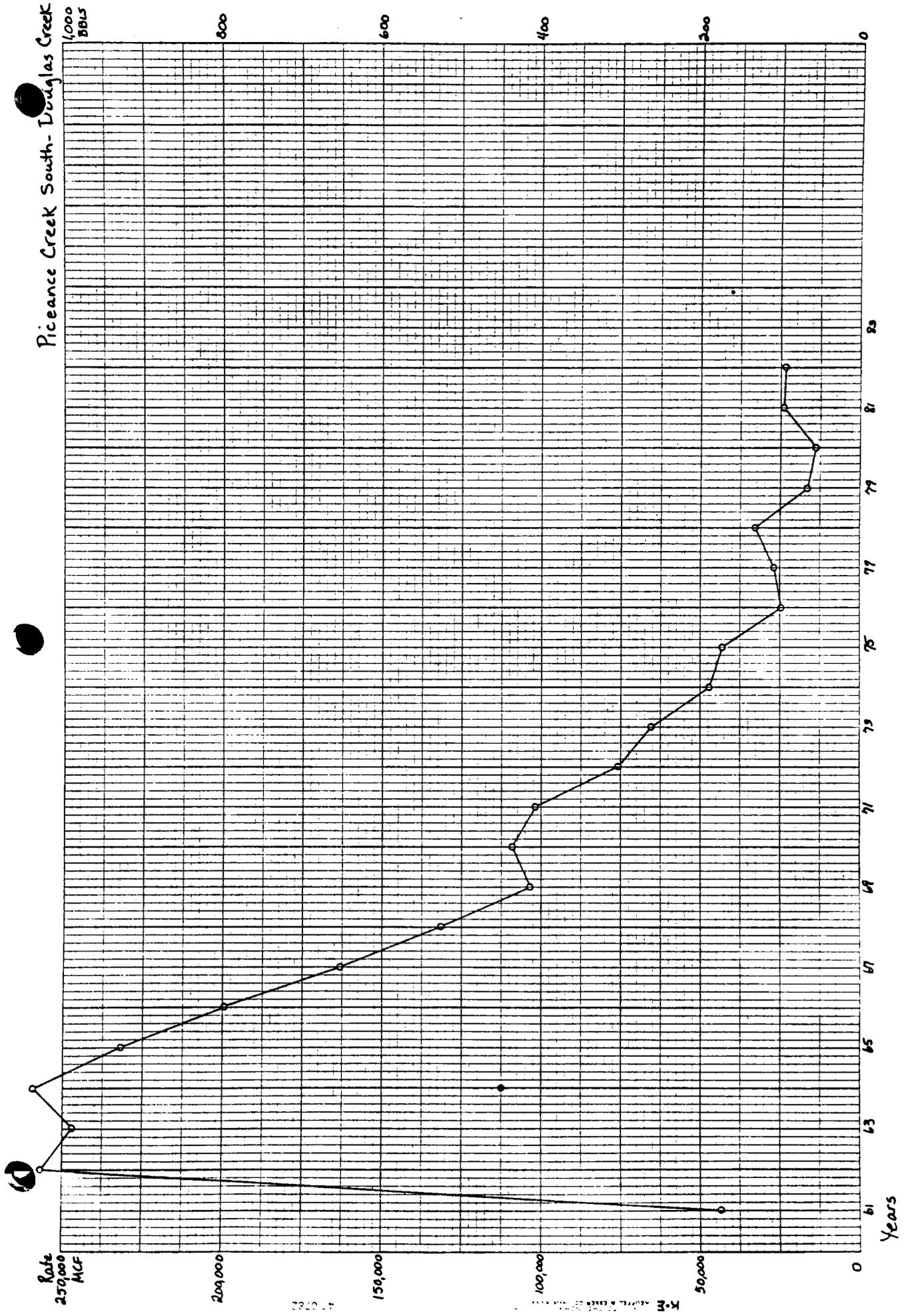
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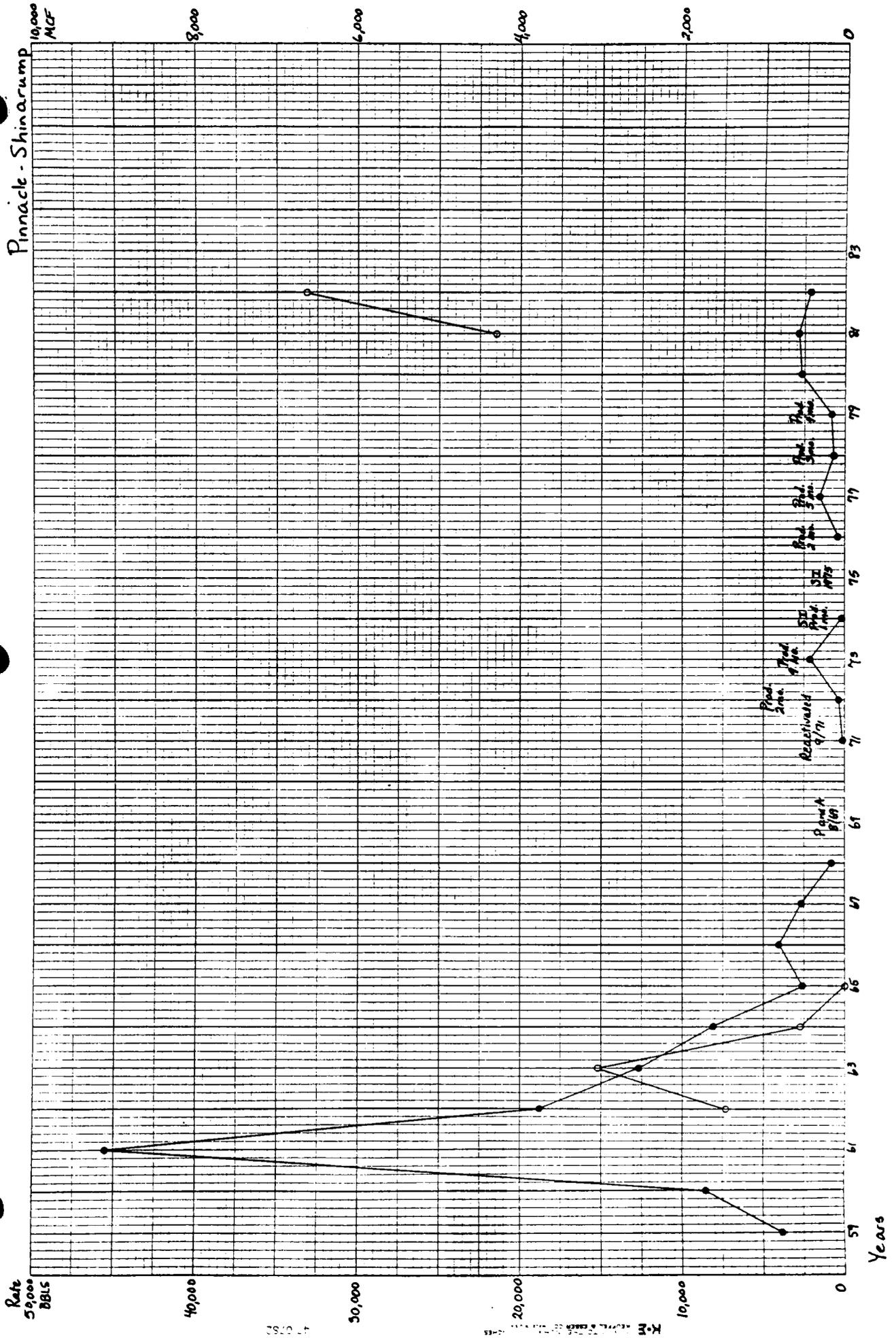


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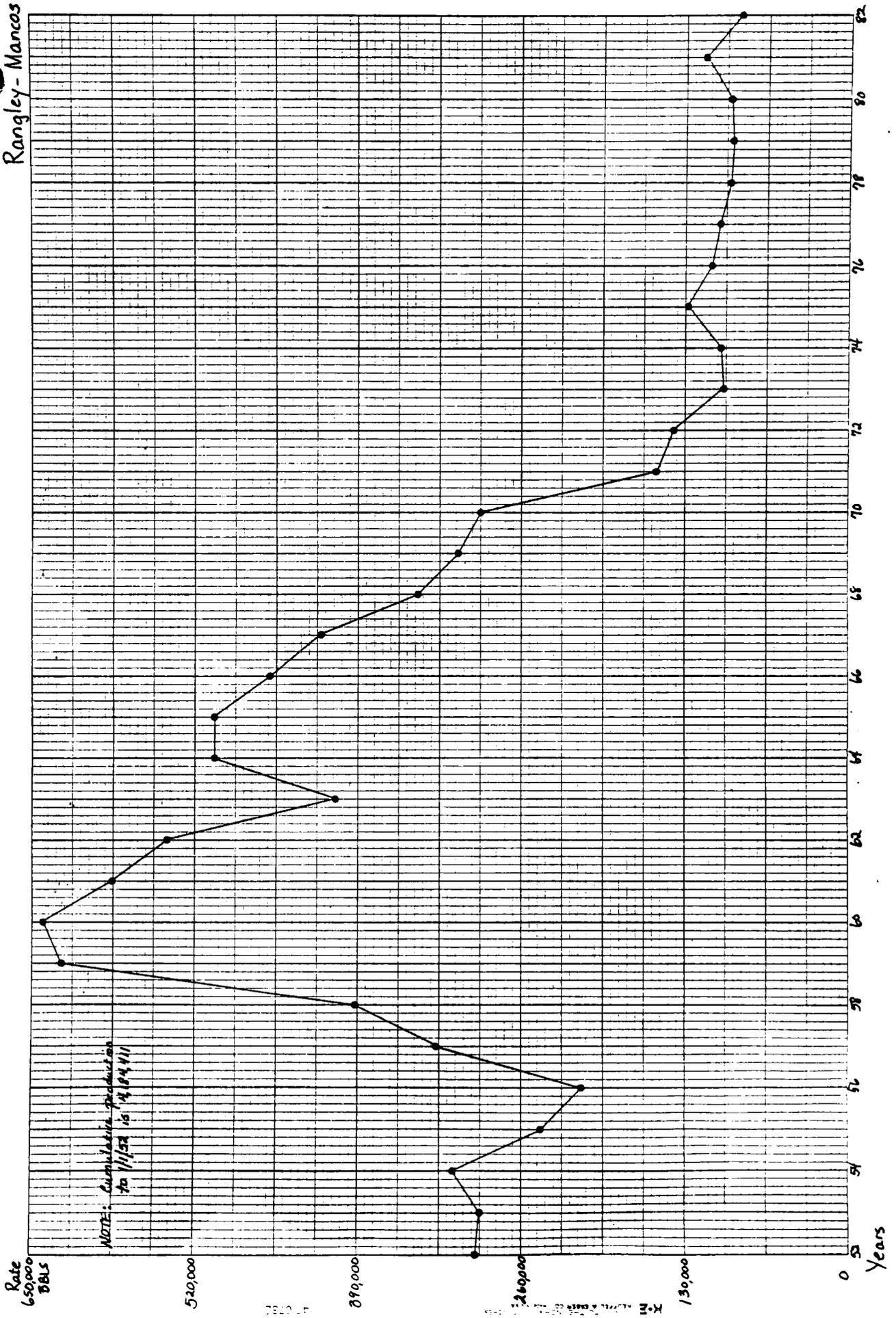
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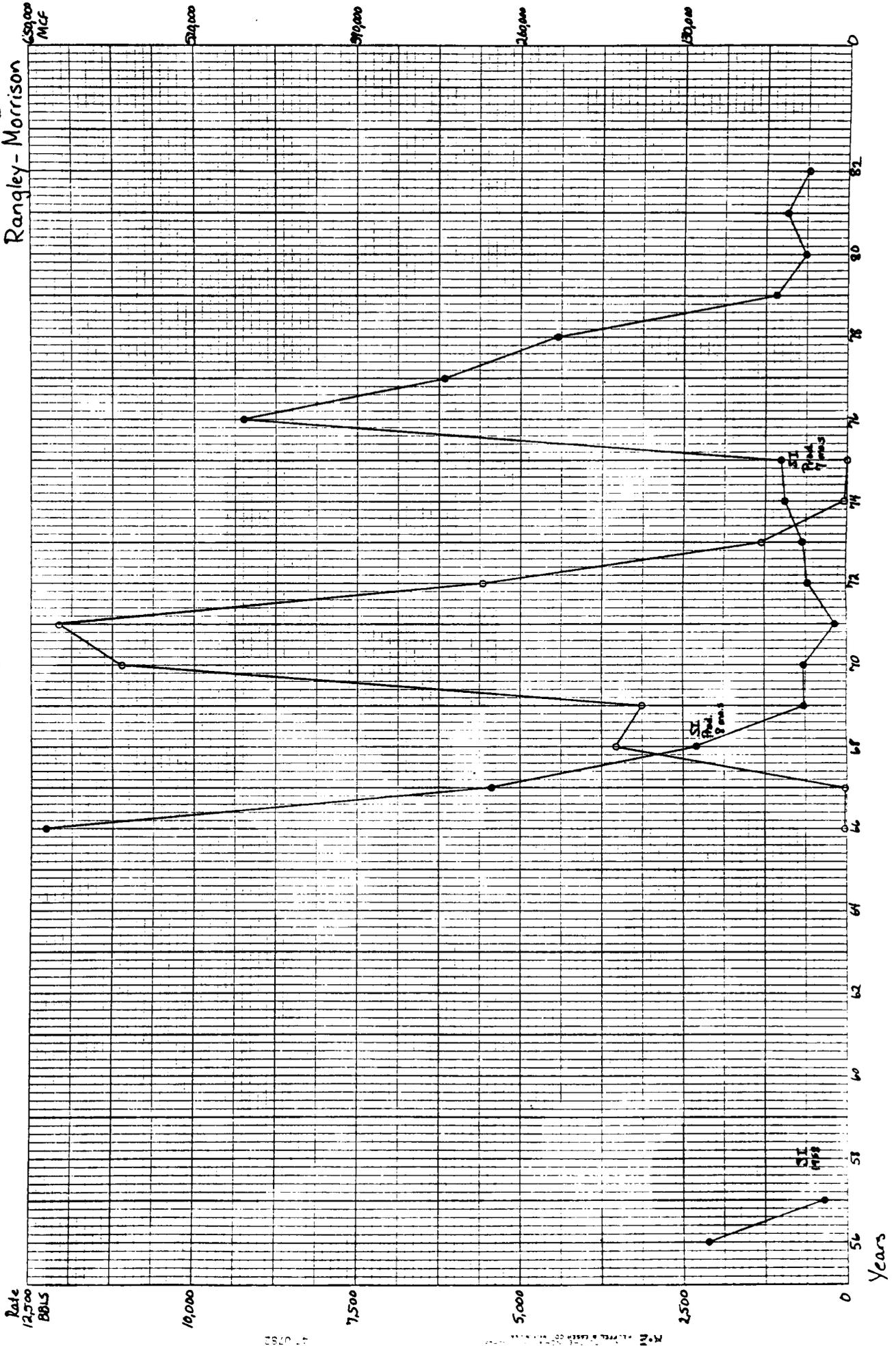




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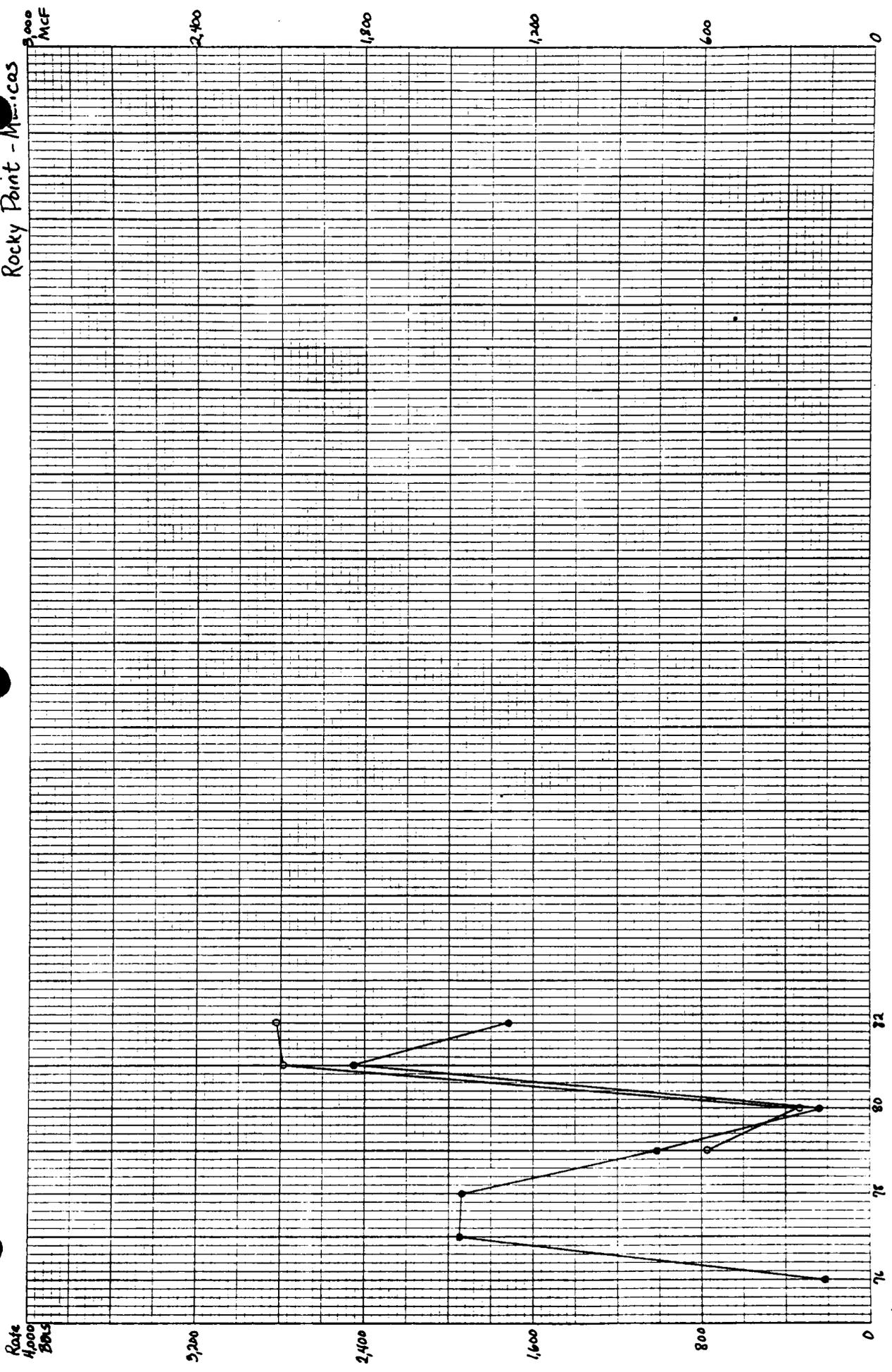
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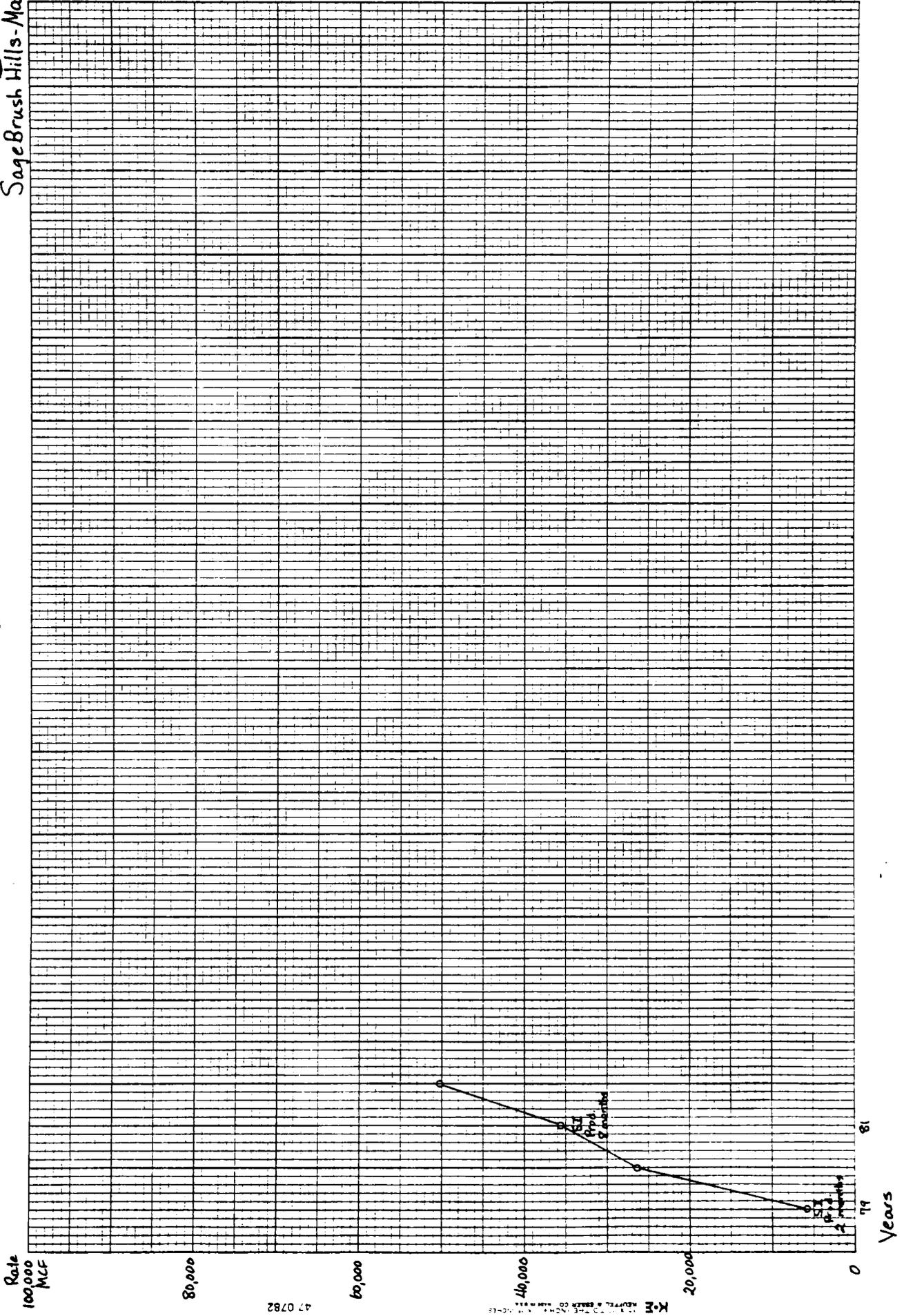
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Rate
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Years

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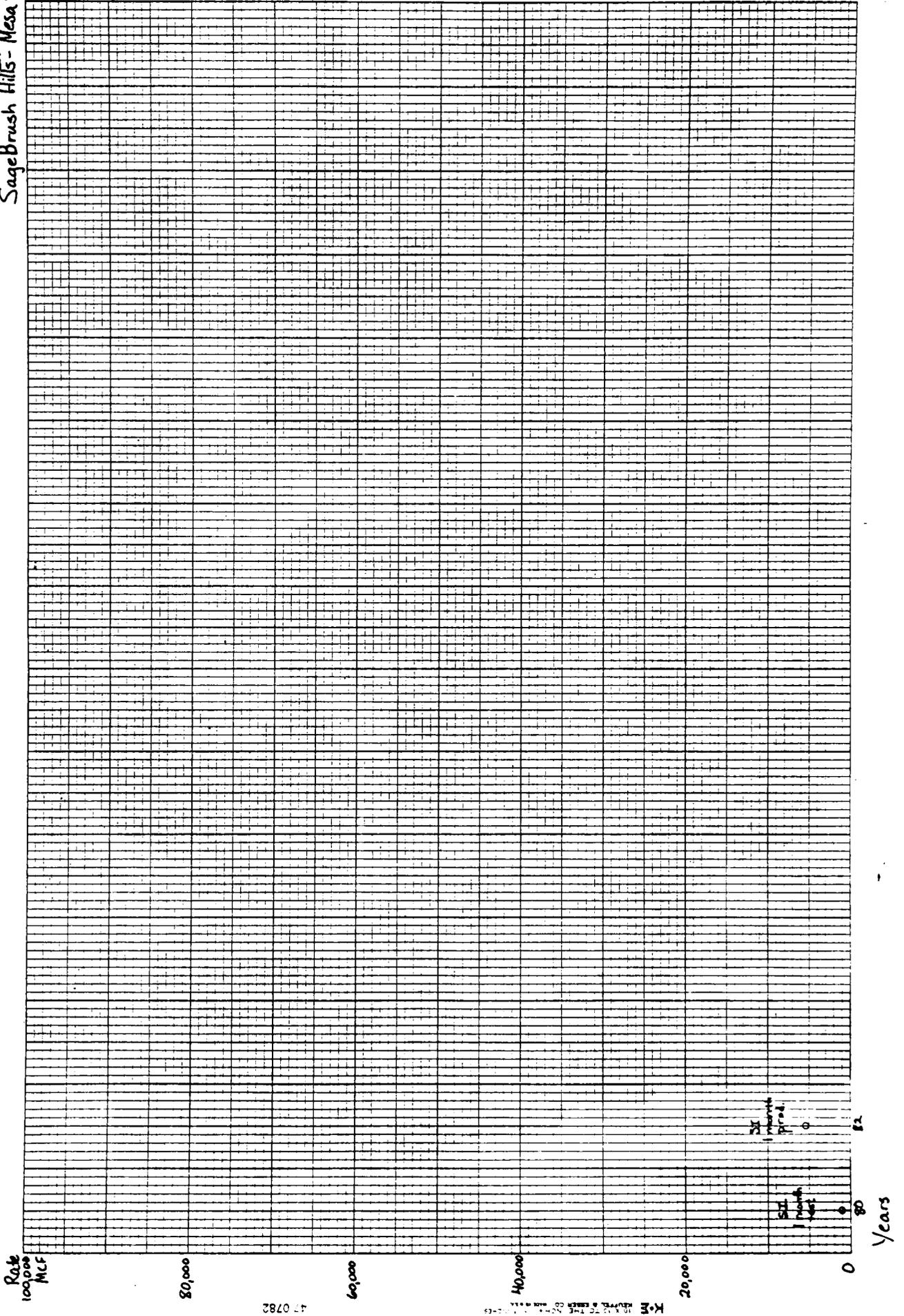
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Years

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Sagebrush Hills - Mesa Verde



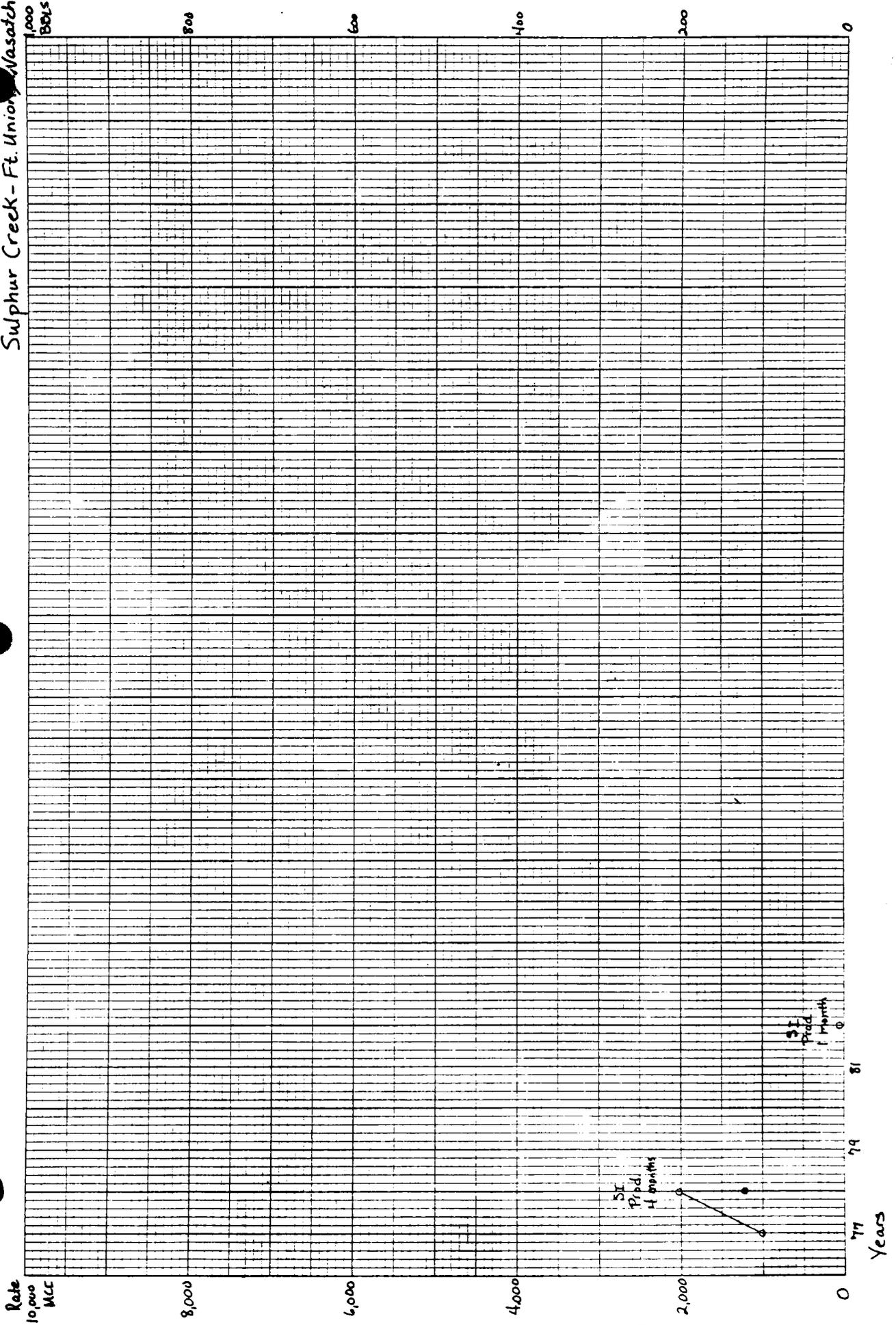
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Years

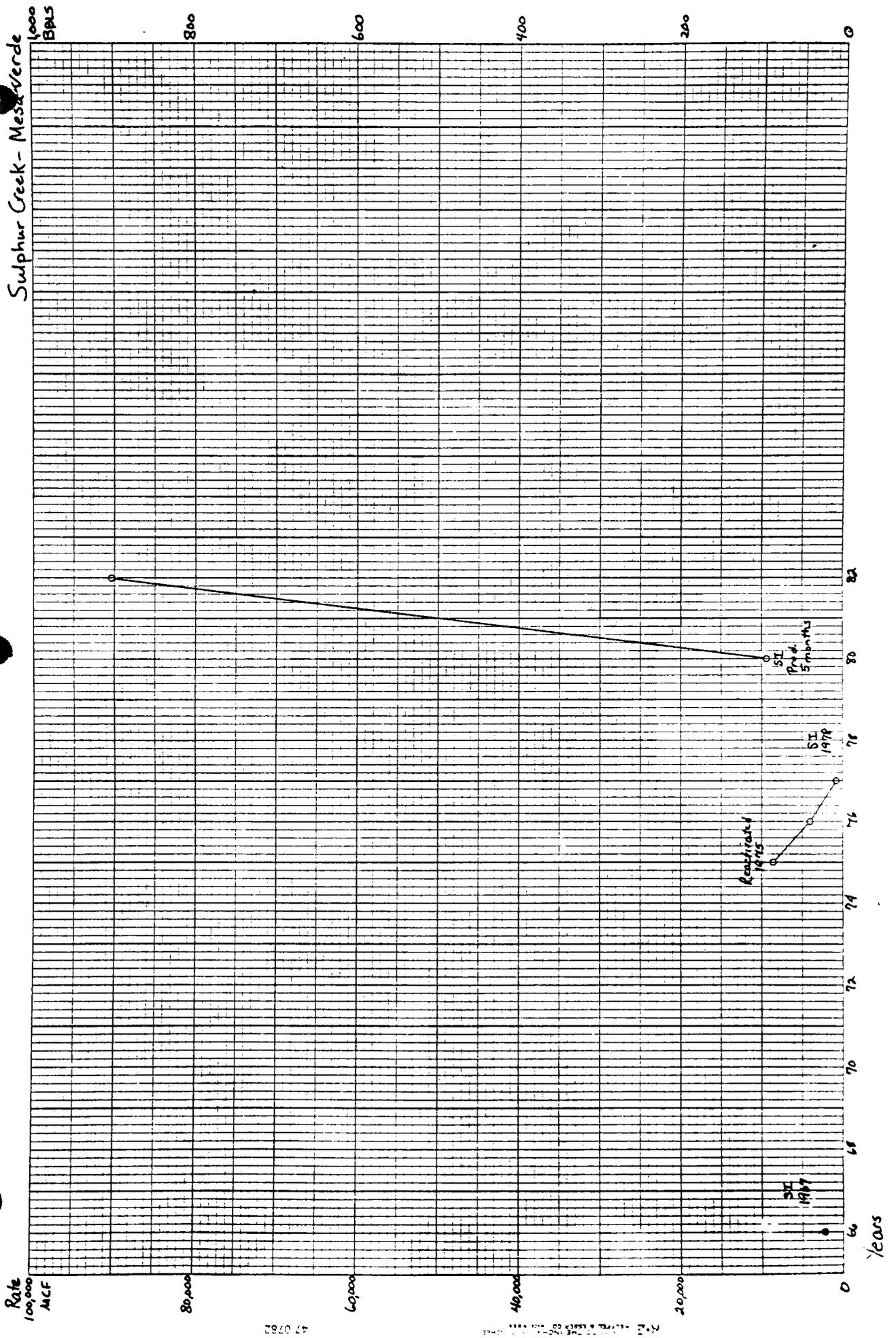
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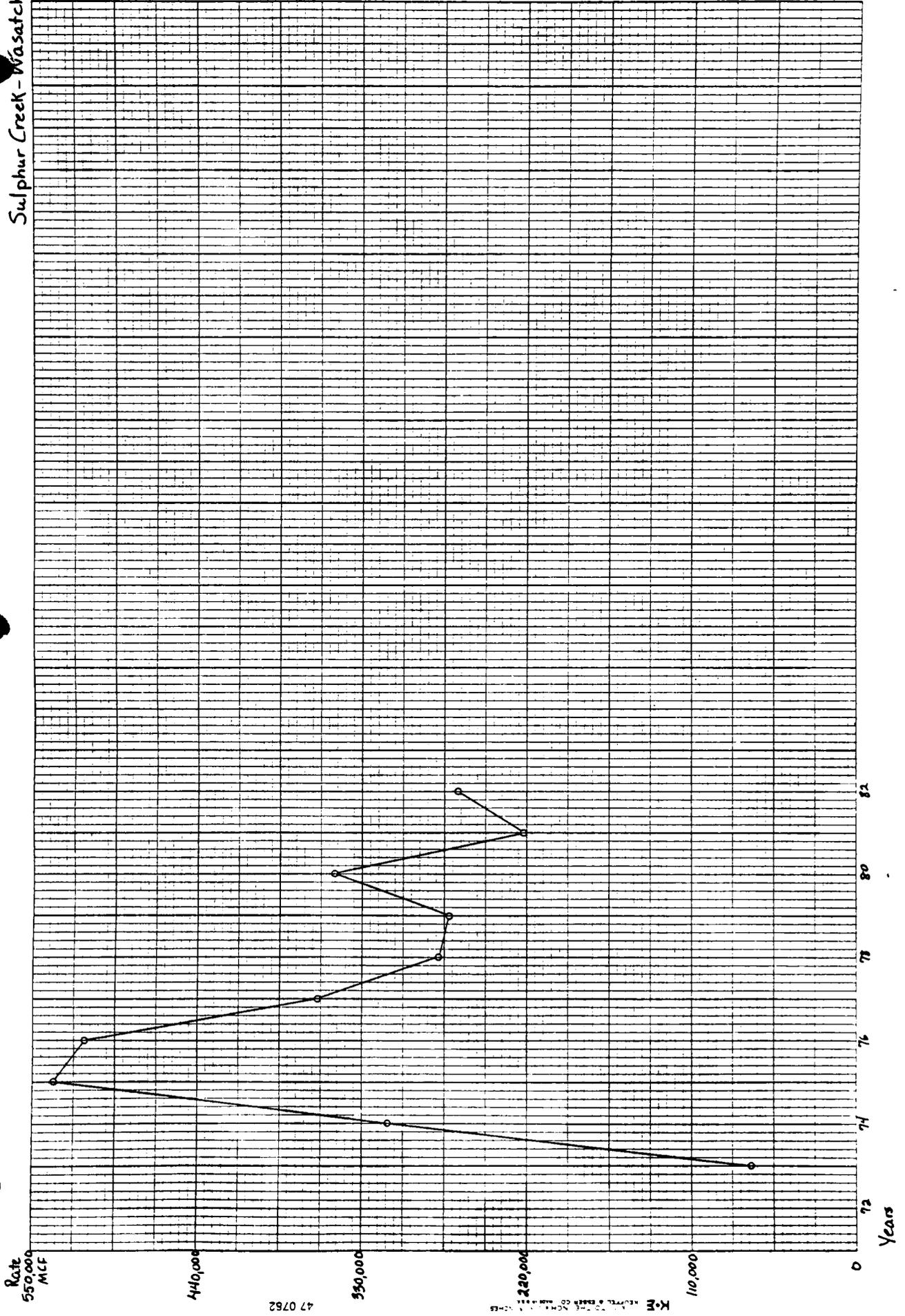
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Rate (MLC)

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Sulphur Creek - Wasatch



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Years

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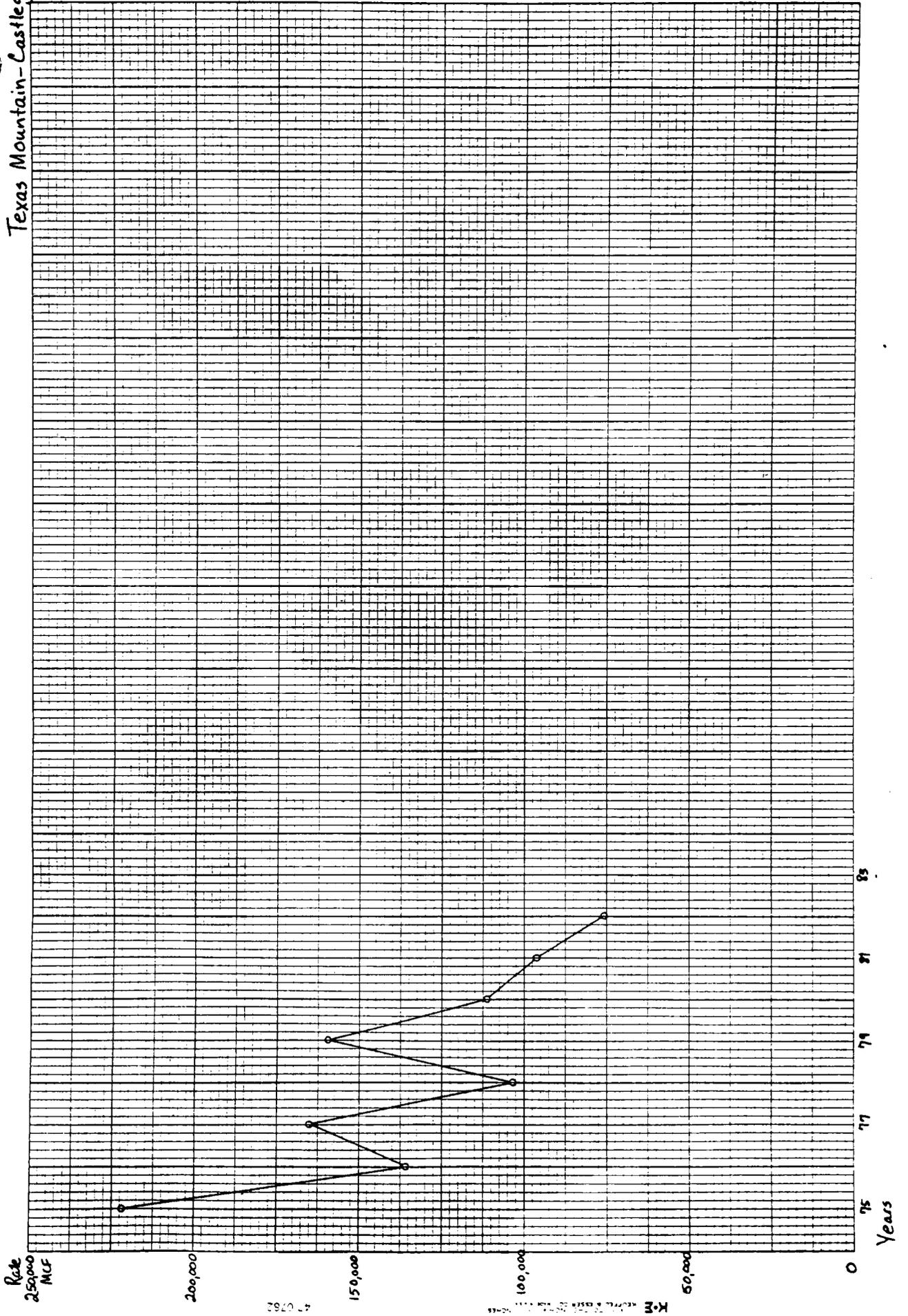
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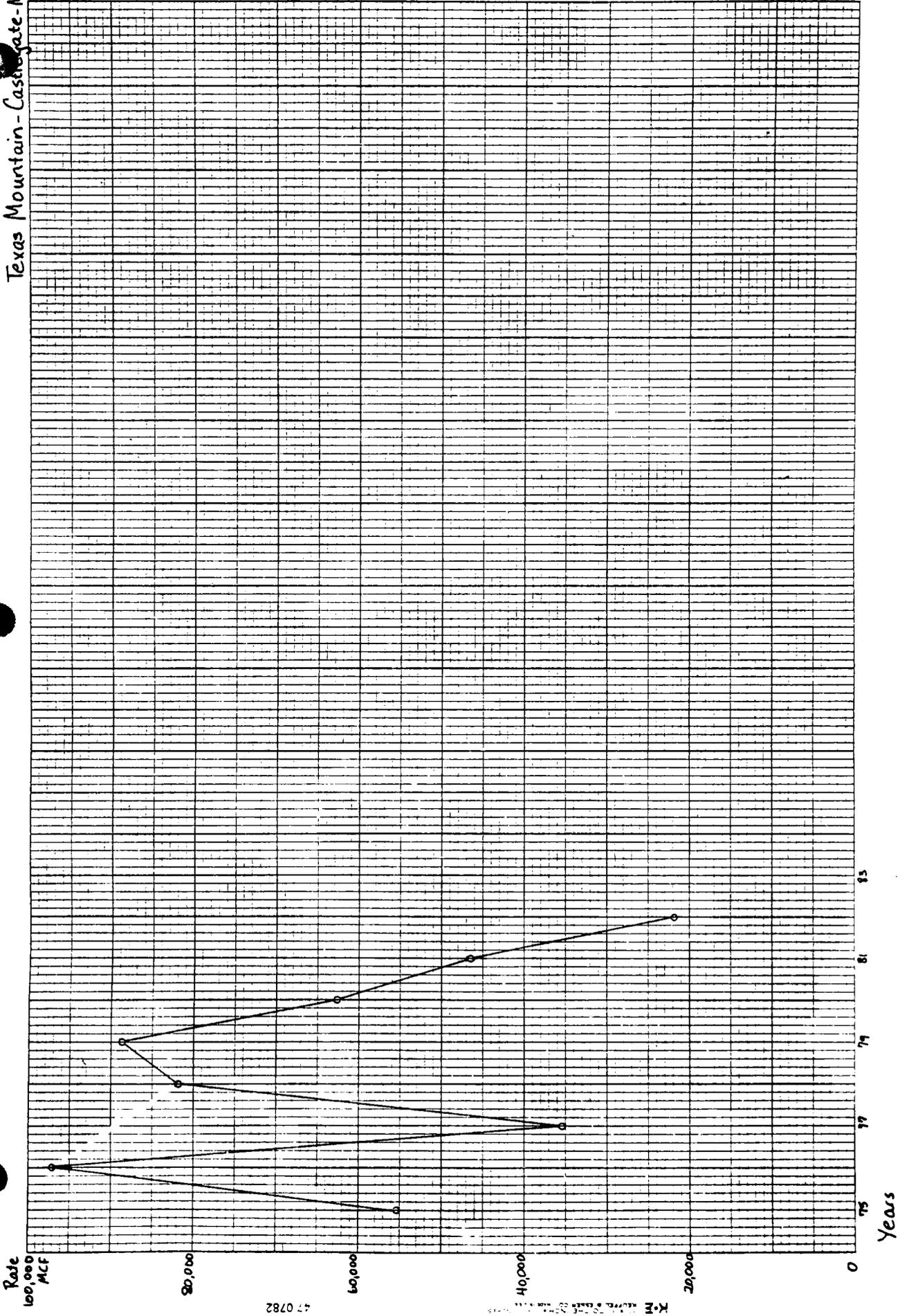
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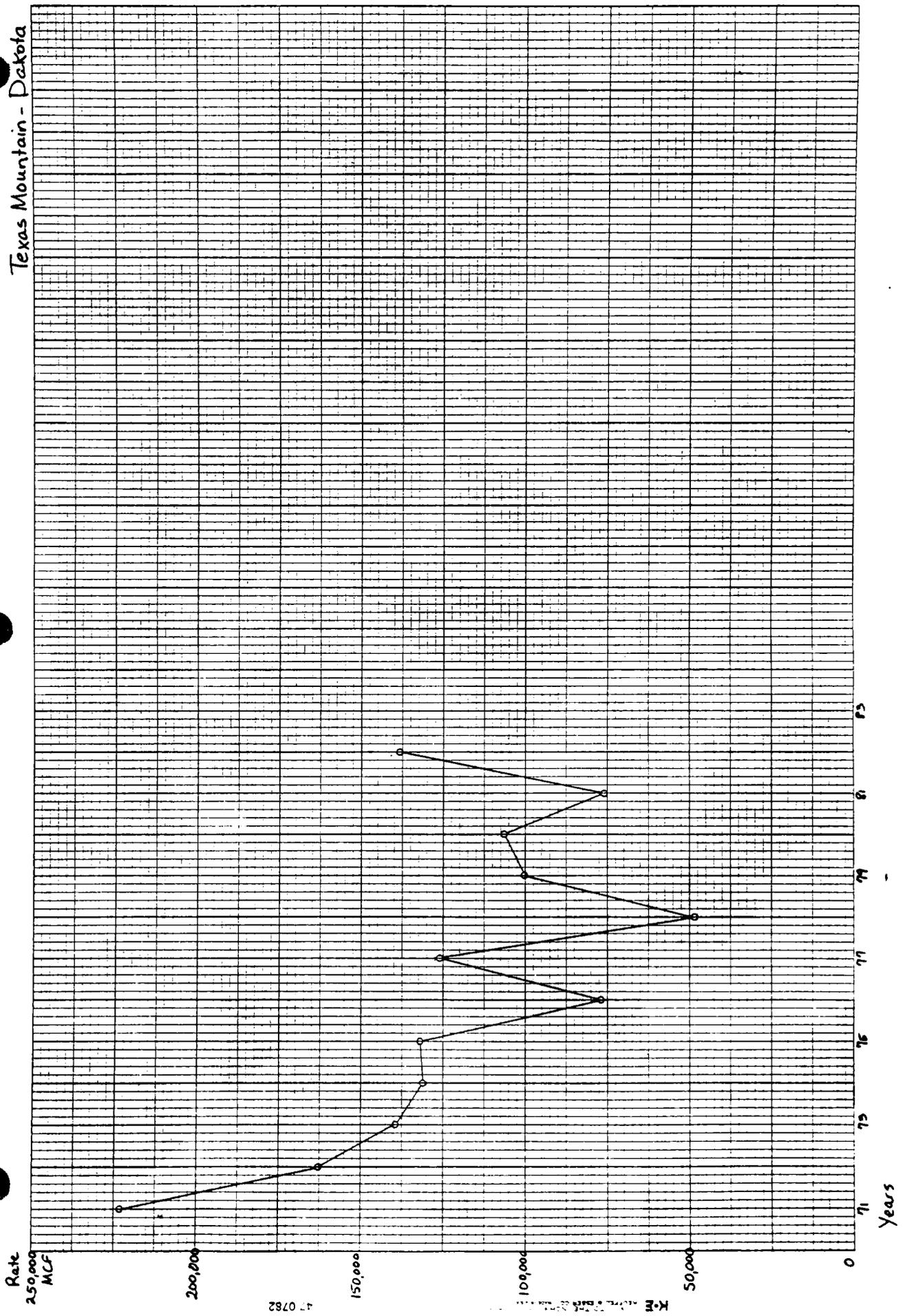


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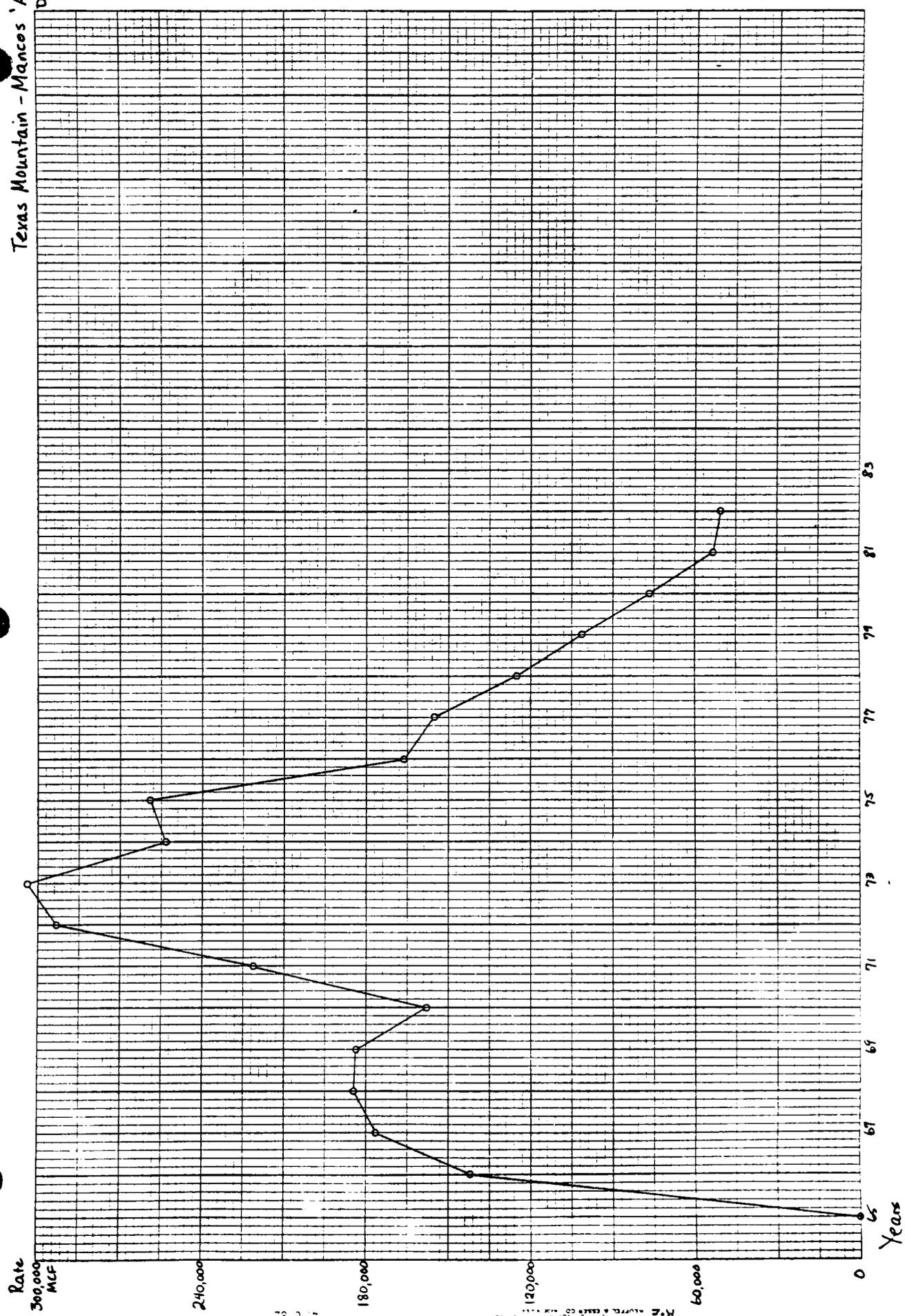
Years

Texas Mountain - Dakota



Texas Mountain - Mancos 'A'

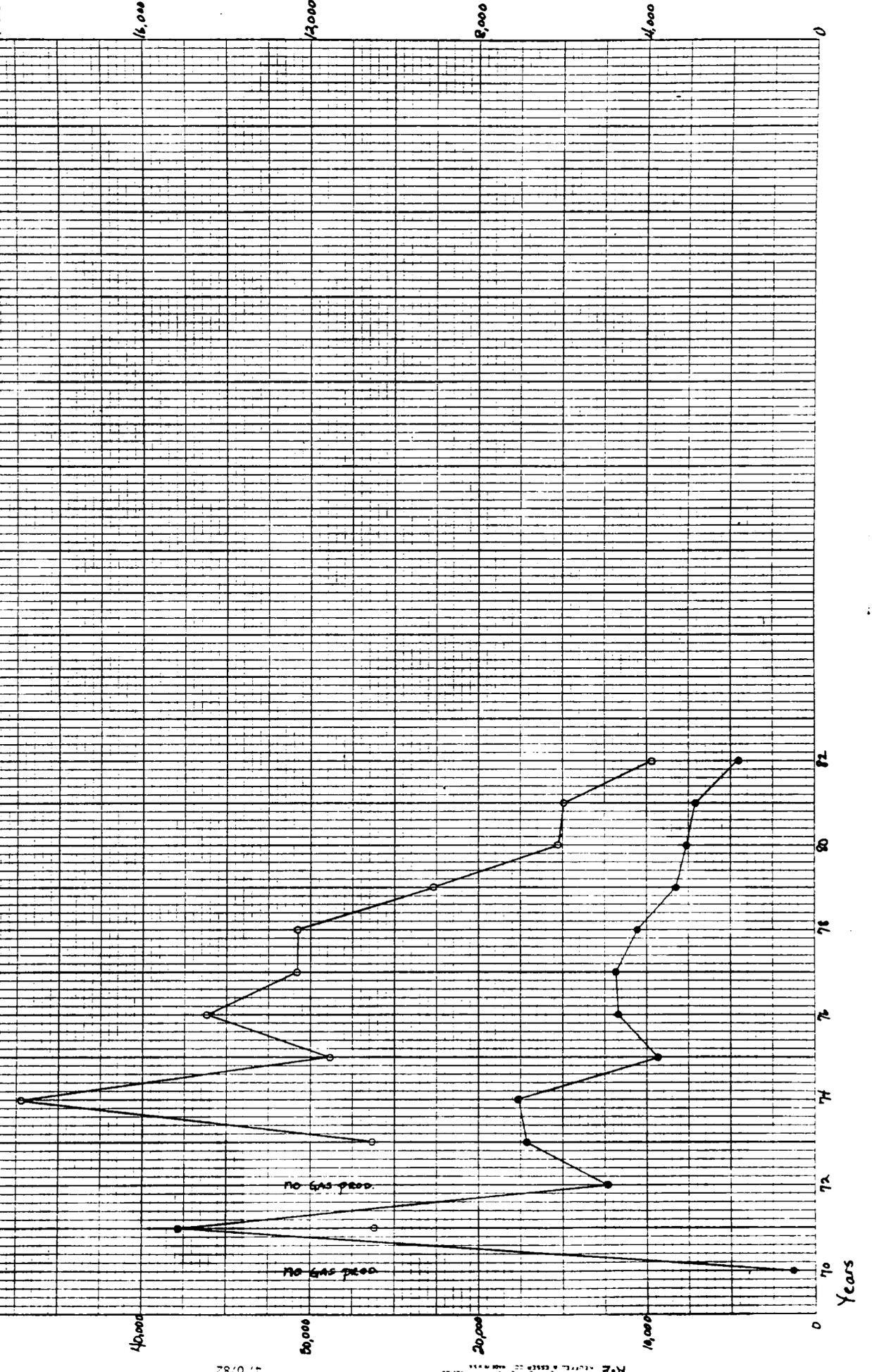
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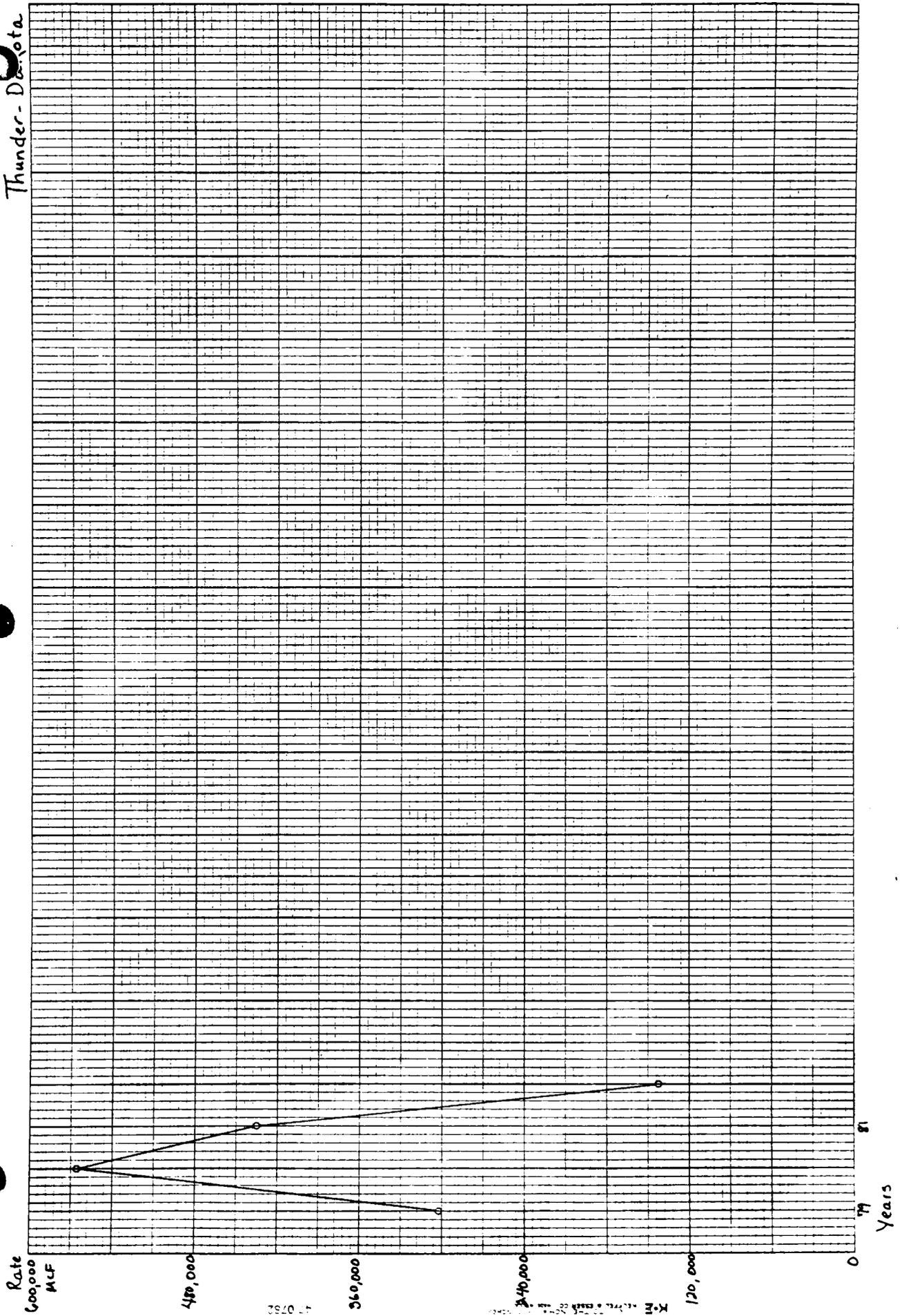
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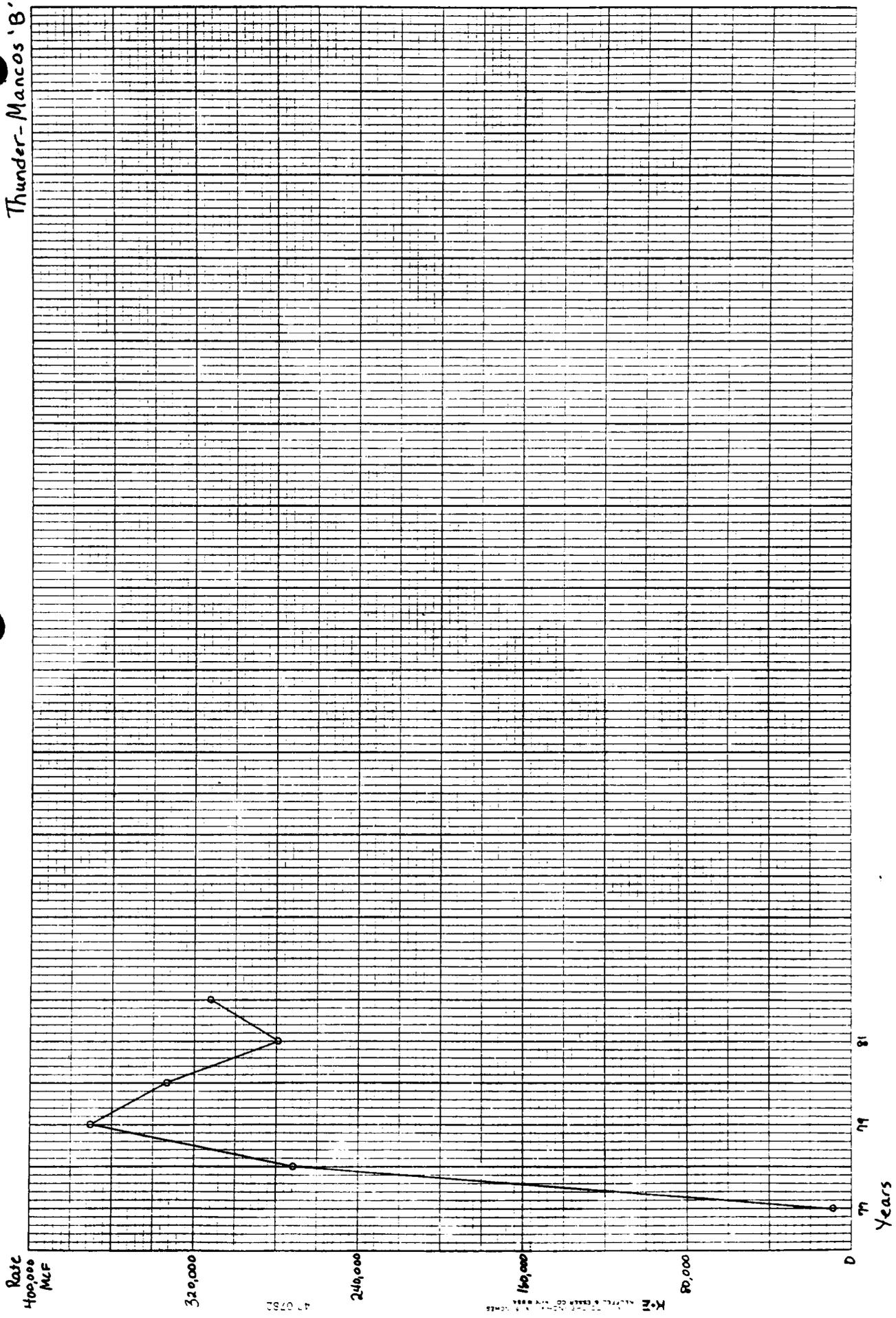
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KEY: ...

Thunder-Danota



Thunder-Mancos 'B'



Rate
400,000
300,000
200,000
100,000
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Years

74 75 76 77 78

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Taiga Mountain - Castlegate

Rate
1,000,000
MCF

800,000

600,000

400,000

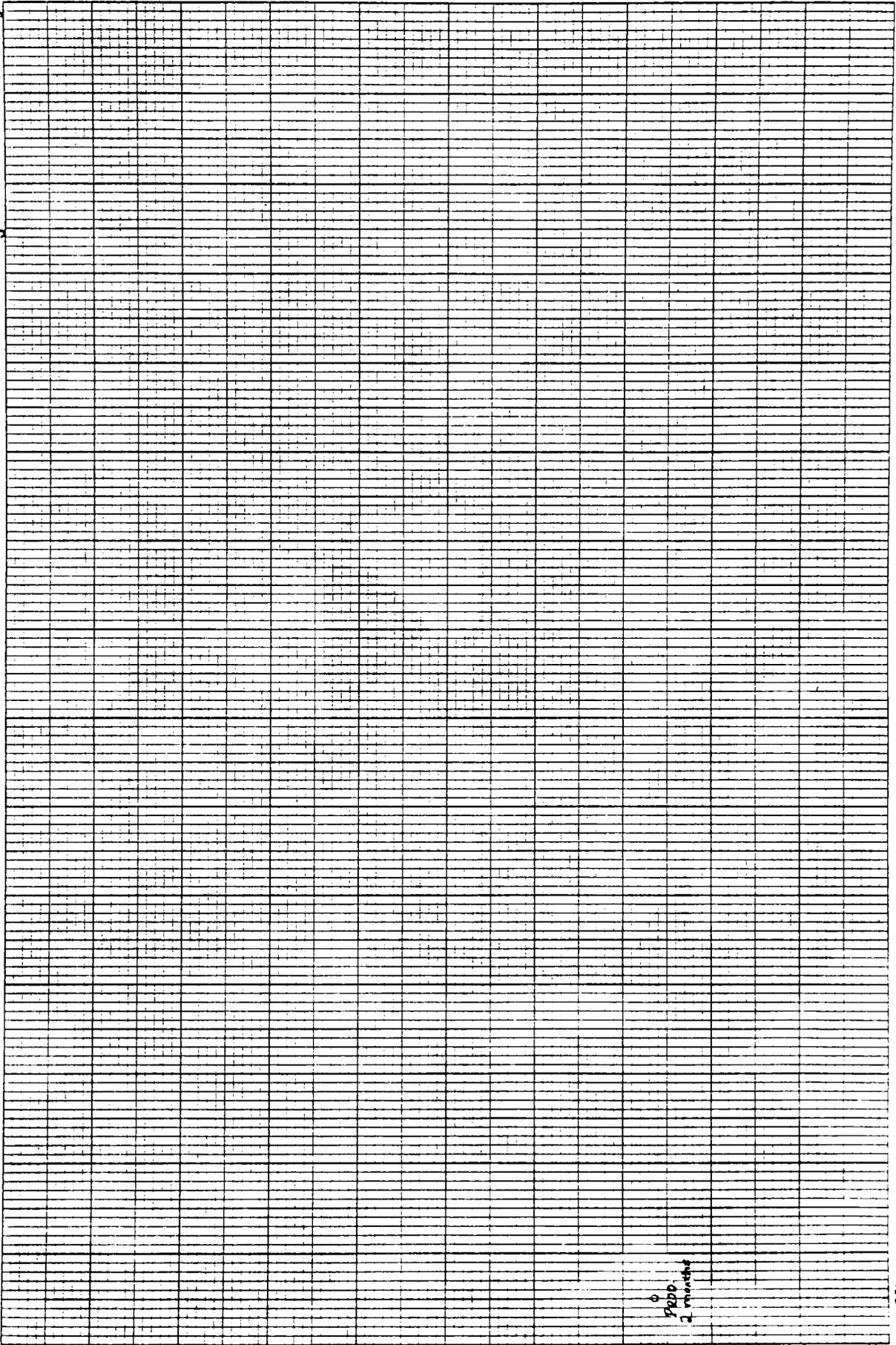
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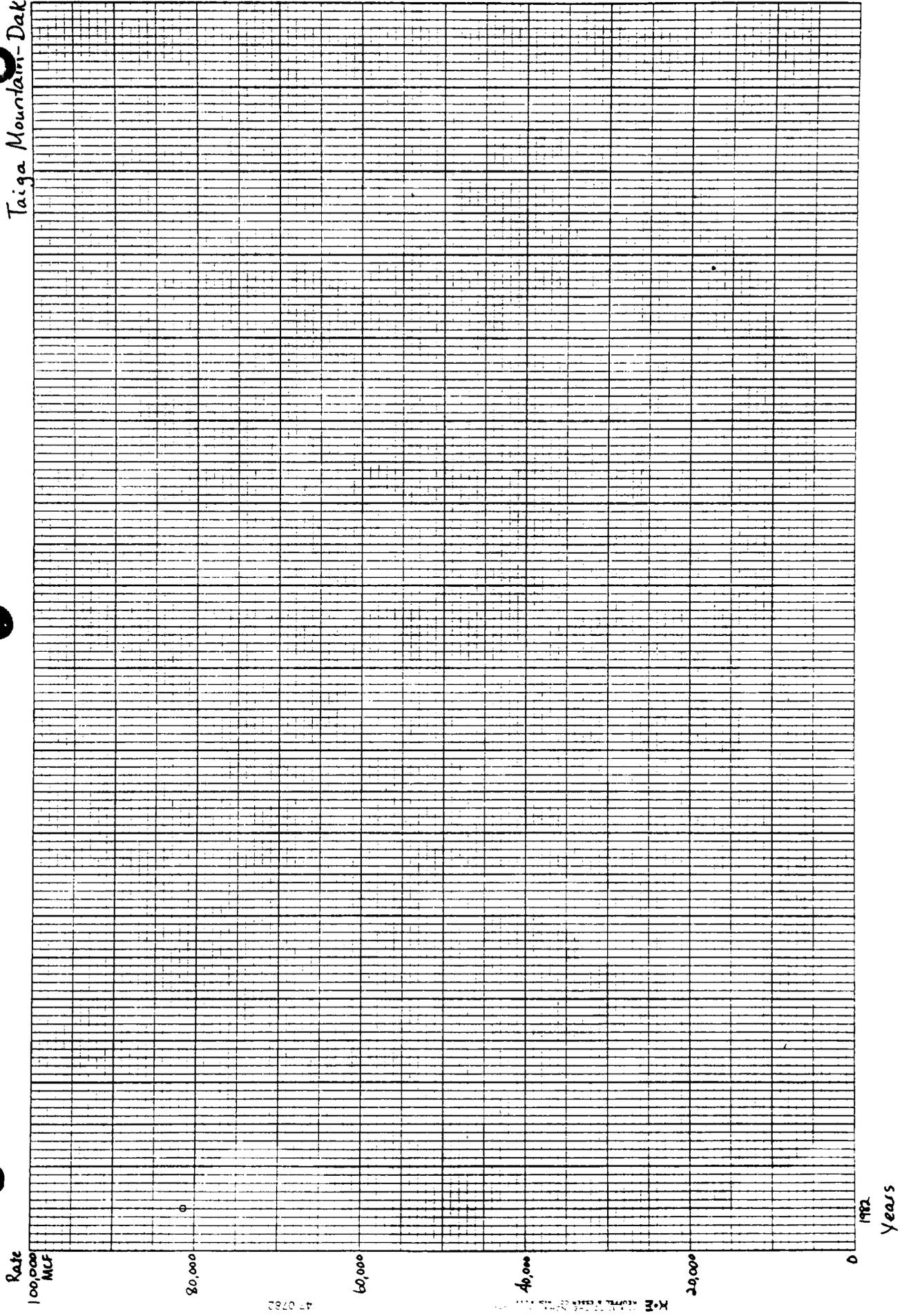
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MAY 1972
2 months

1972
Years



Taiga Mountain-Dakota



Rate
100,000
MCF

80,000

60,000

40,000

20,000

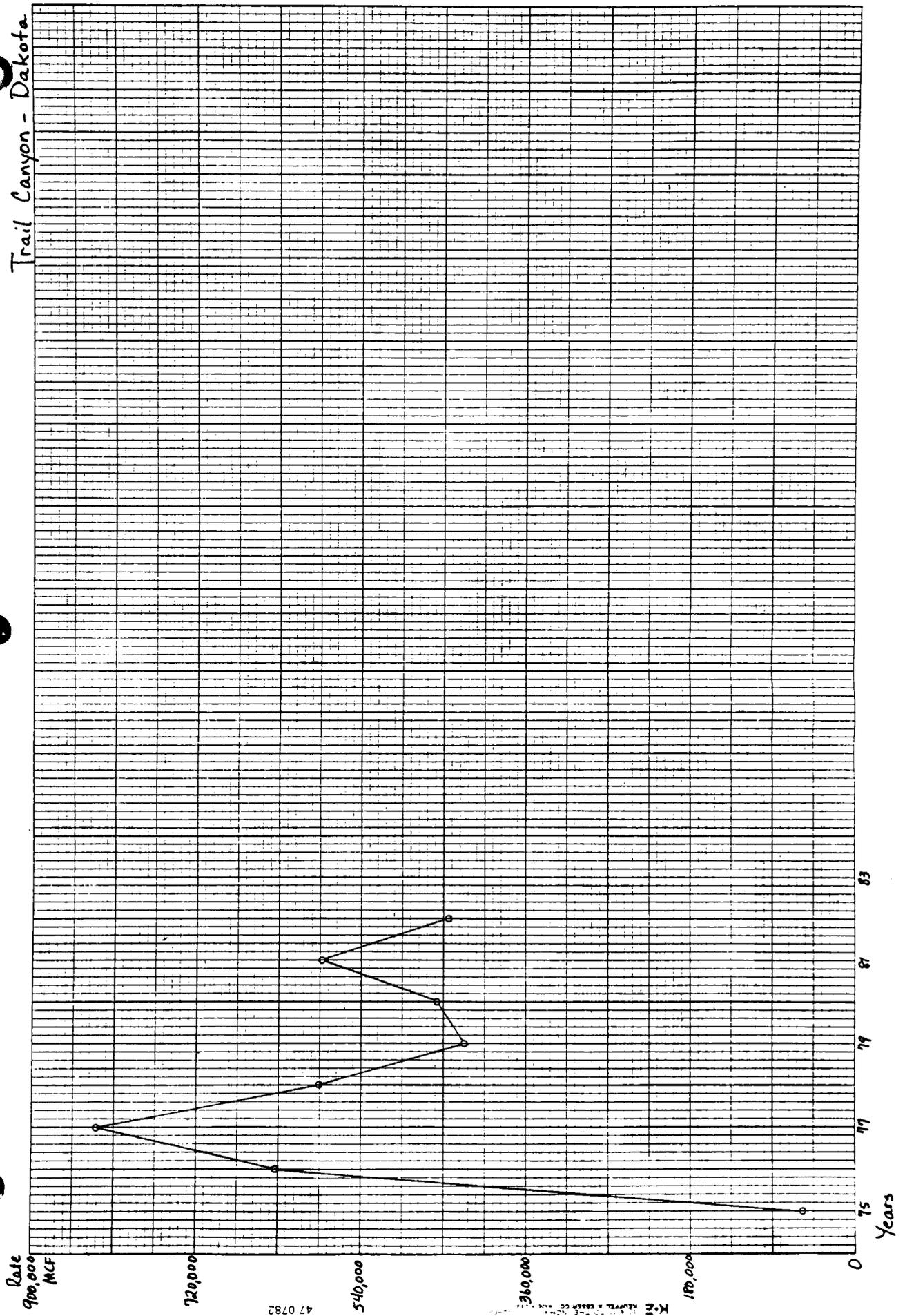
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1982
Years

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Trail Canyon - Dakota



Rate
900,000
MCF

720,000

540,000

360,000

180,000

0

Years

83

82

81

80

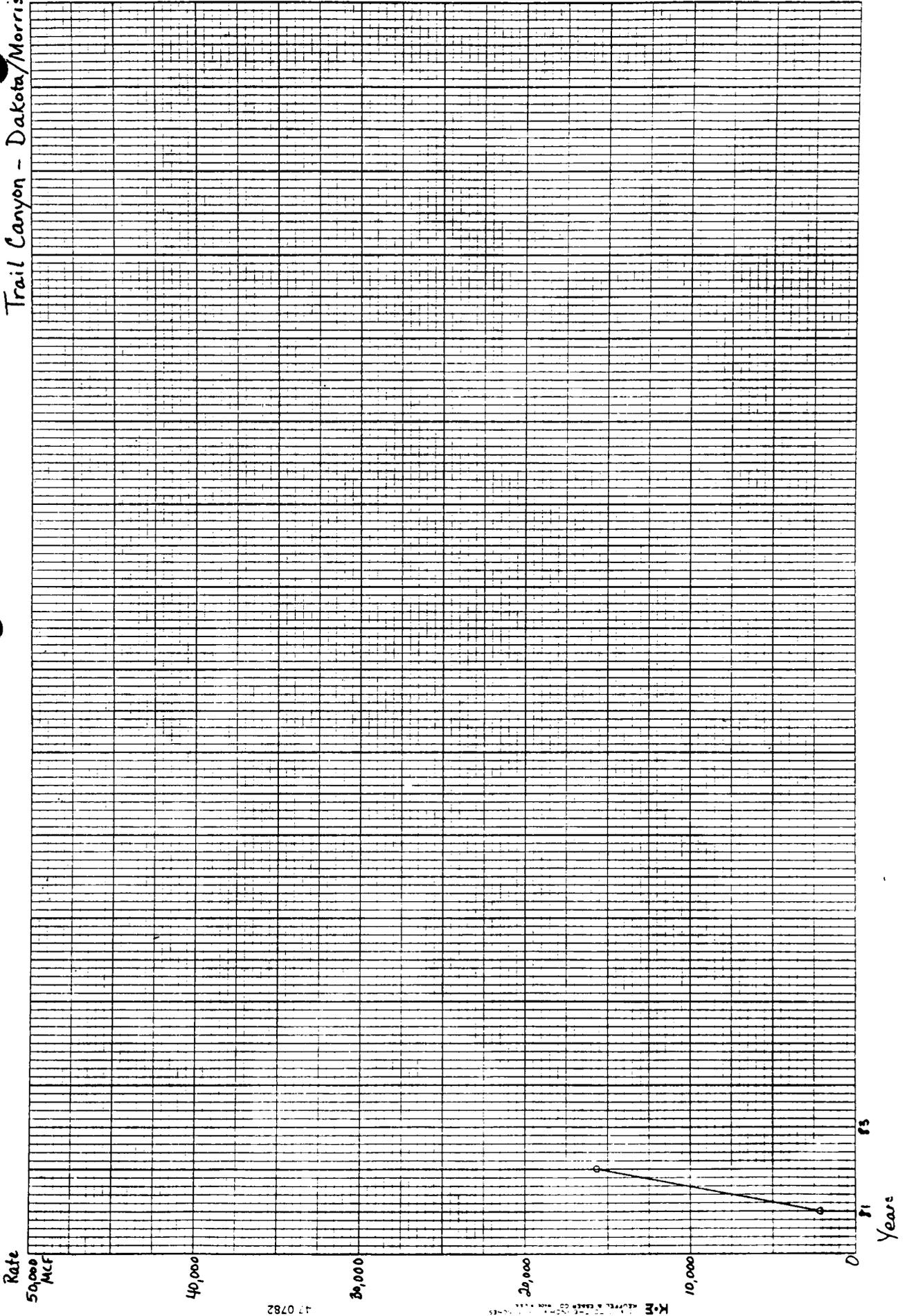
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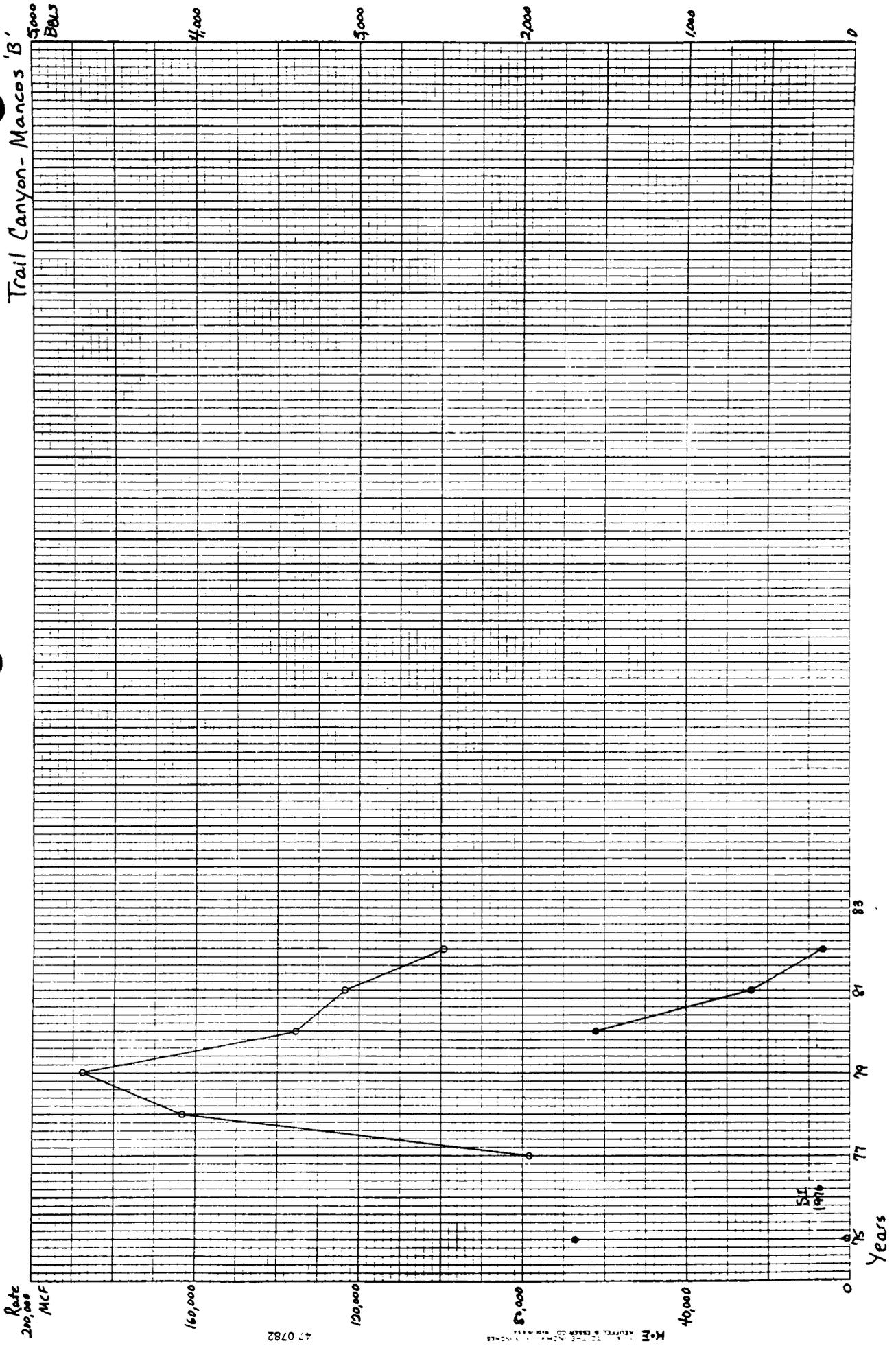
Trail Canyon - Dakota/Morrison



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Trail Canyon - Mancos 'B'

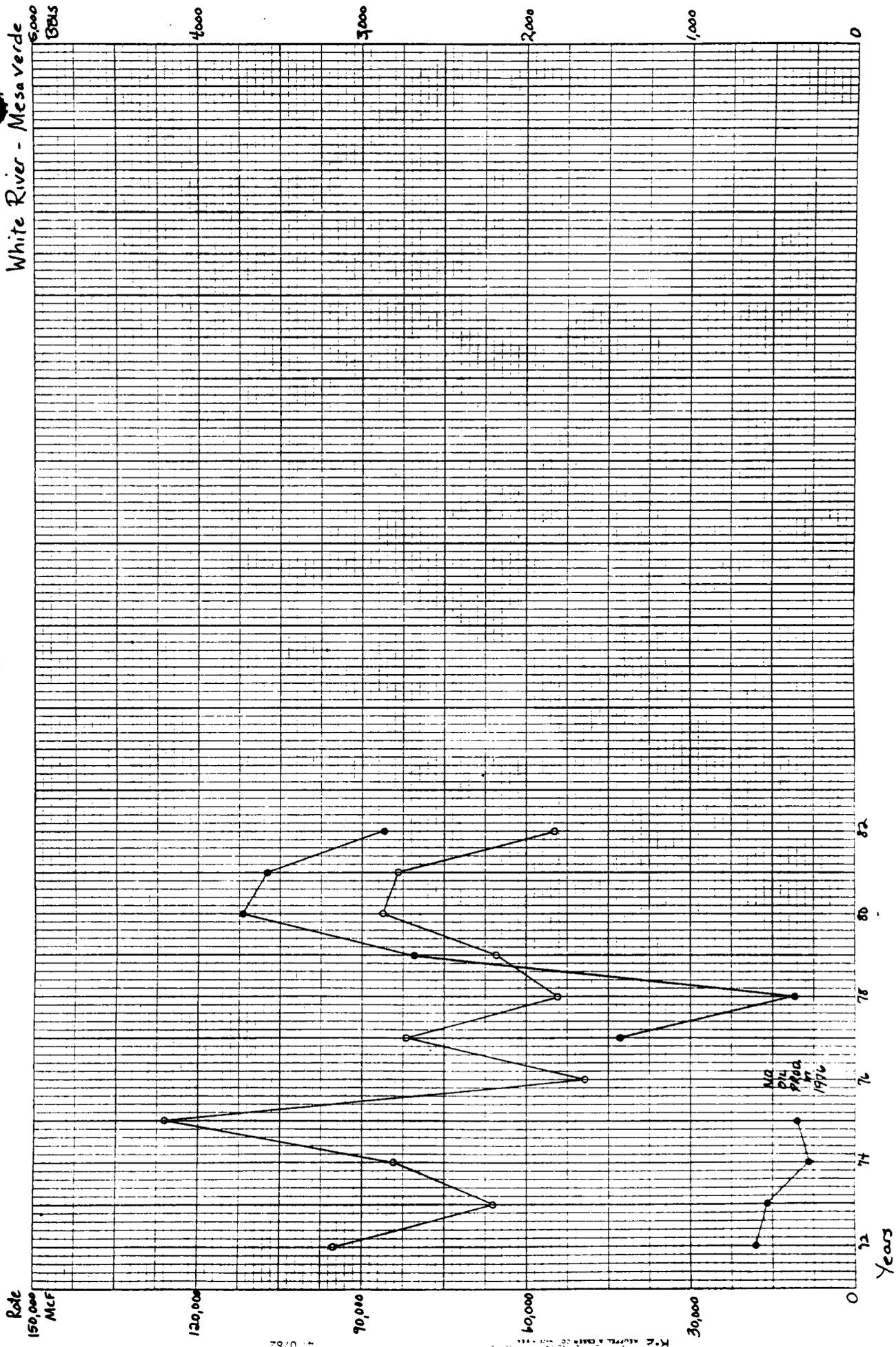


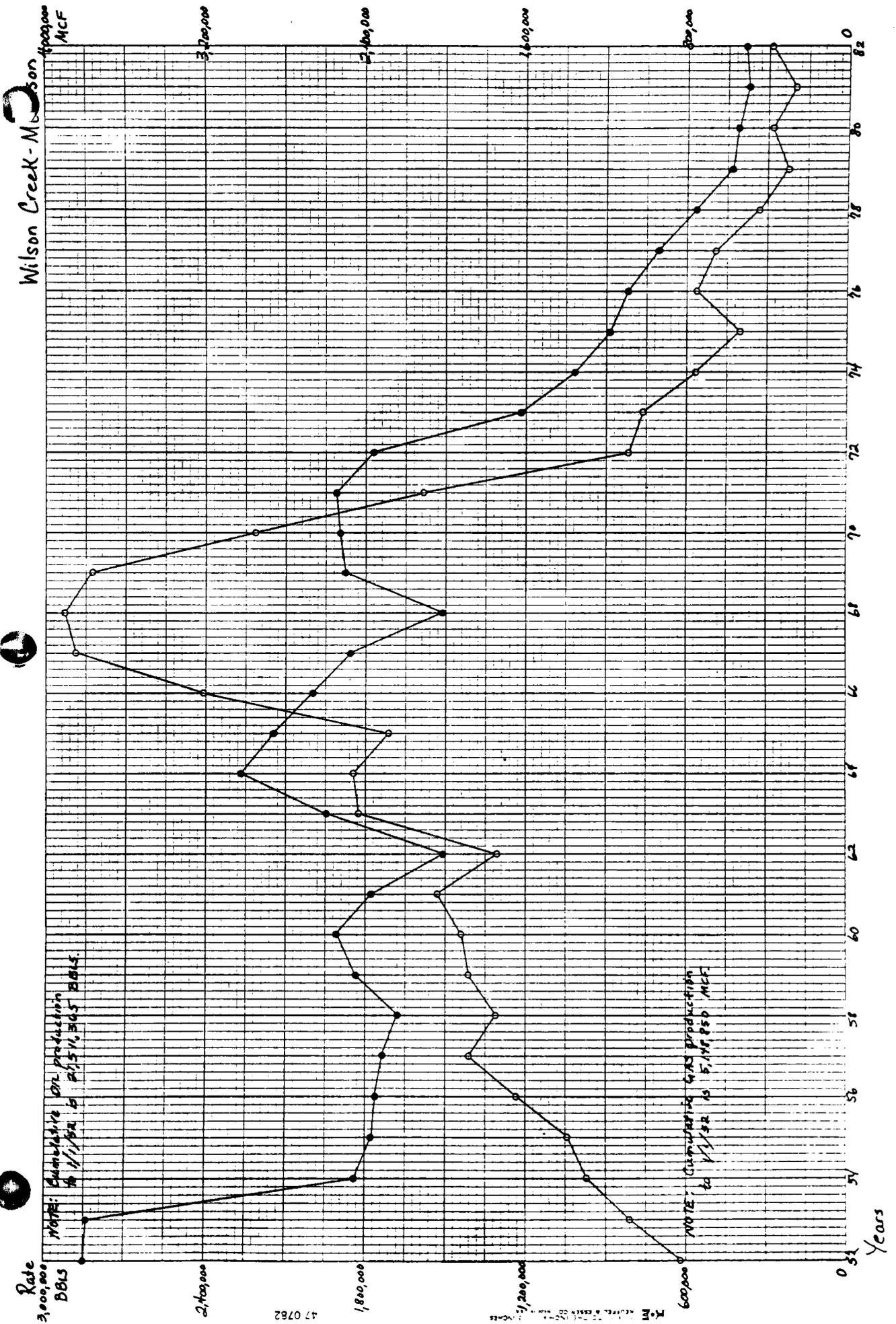
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White River - Mesa Verde
1965

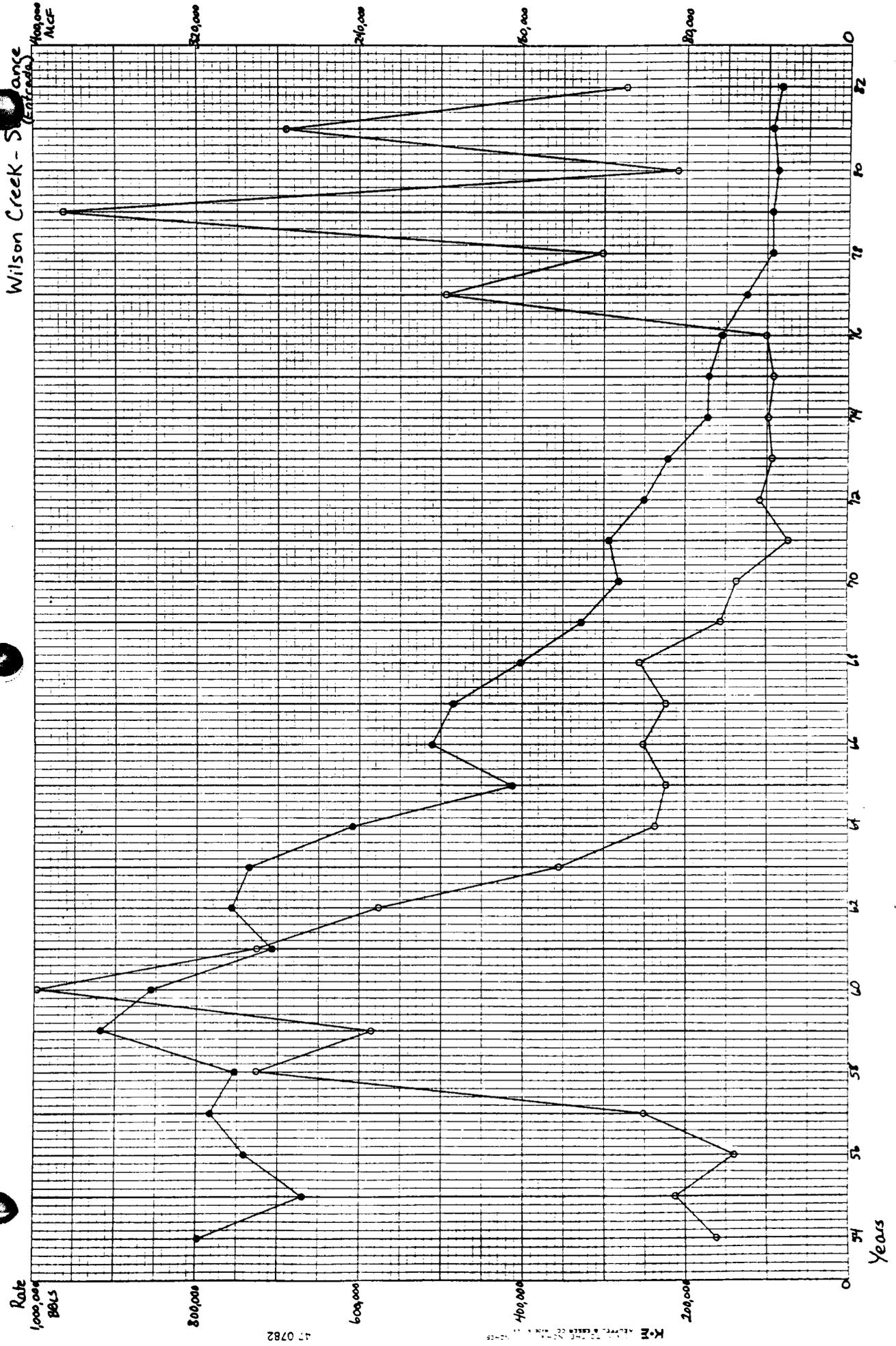




NOTE: Cumulative Oil Production to 11/82 is 2,511,365 BBLS.

NOTE: Cumulative GAS Production to 11/82 is 5,115,825 MCF.

Wilson Creek - Storage



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MAP SERIES 22--011 and Gas fields map of Colorado, 1983, (1:500,000).
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