

## **KITTITAS COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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Kirk Holmes, Director

**TO:** Neil Caulkins, DPA  
**FROM:** Douglas D'Hondt, County Engineer, Public Works  
**DATE:** February 17, 2011  
**SUBJECT:** Coughlin Flood Claim

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A portion of the Coughlin property is considered part of the FEMA designated 100-year floodplain. That portion of property may have flooded. We have no evidence of the levee breach flooding the property. No levee is located on the property. Our photographic evidence indicates flooding remains within the designated floodplain. We do not possess photographic evidence of January 2009 flooding extents on the property. Photos from the surrounding area indicate flooding remains within the designated floodplain.

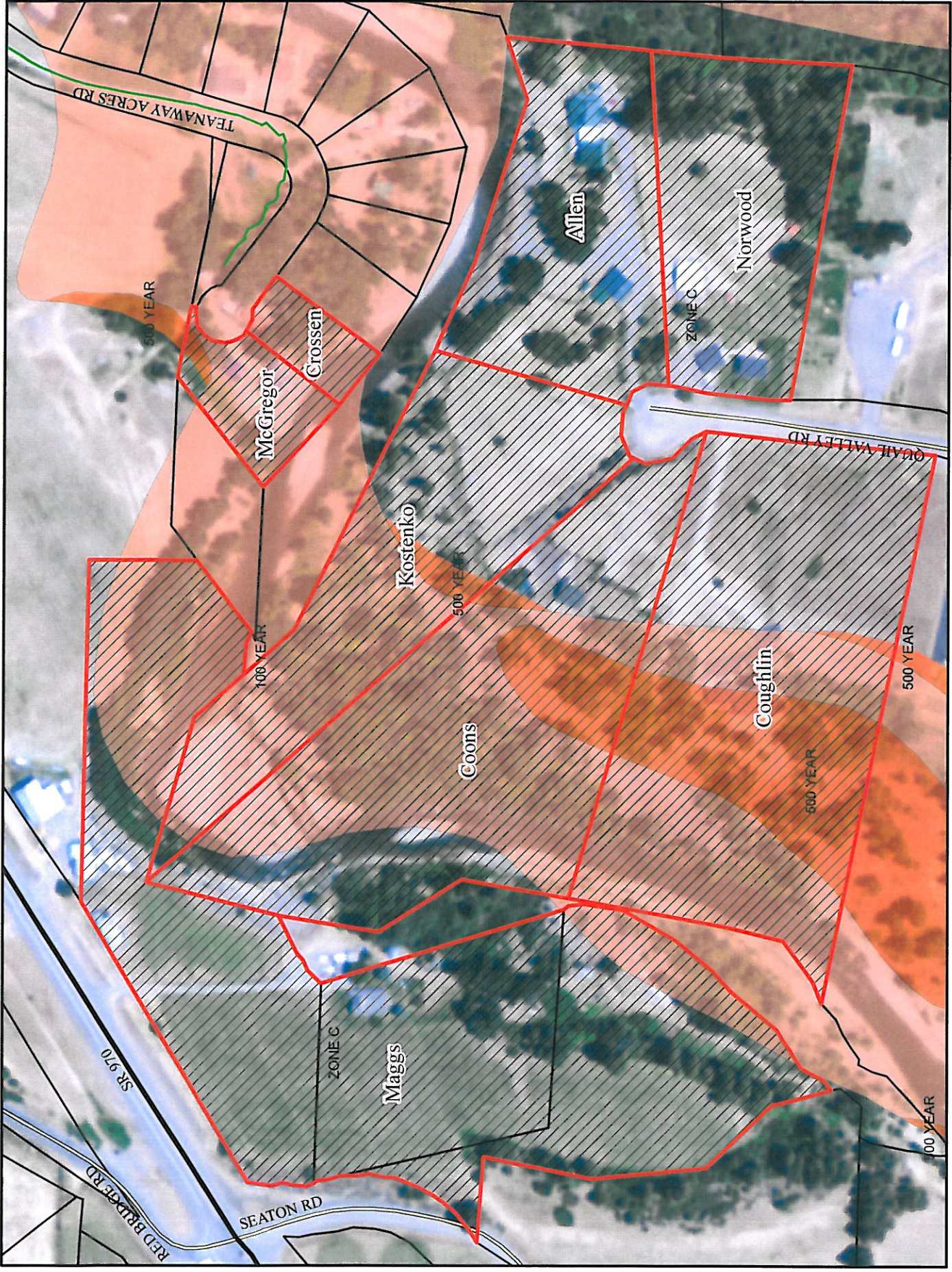
The Mr. Coughlin is a principal owner of an engineering firm. The website of this firm advertises to specialize in surface water management. If the property was obviously prone to flooding and erosion, this should have been evident to the engineer claiming such expertise prior to purchasing the property.

No record of a Kittitas County flood management system on the Teanaway River was found. The only known levees are found immediately upstream of SR 970 on the right bank and at the left bank located near the end of Quail Valley Road.

Kittitas County does not retain ownership of the levees and never have. Kittitas County worked with the US Army Corps of Engineers after the January 2009 flood event to reconstruct the one levee for protection of Quail Valley and Lambert Roads.

USACE planned to finish the levee reconstruction summer 2011. KCPW will not complete the construction until this claim is resolved.







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**Firm Name:** COUGHLIN PORTER LUNDEEN, INC.

**License Type:** Washington State Business

**Entity Type:** Profit Corporation

**UBI:** 601564197    Business ID:001    Location ID:0001

**Status:** To check the status of this company, go to [Secretary of State](#).

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#### License Details

##### License Information:

**Name:** COUGHLIN JAMES E  
**License Type:** Professional Engineer  
**License Number:** 21282  
**License Status:** Active  
**First Issued Date:** Jun 10 1983  
**License Issued:** Jun 3 2009  
**Expiration Date:** Jul 25 2011

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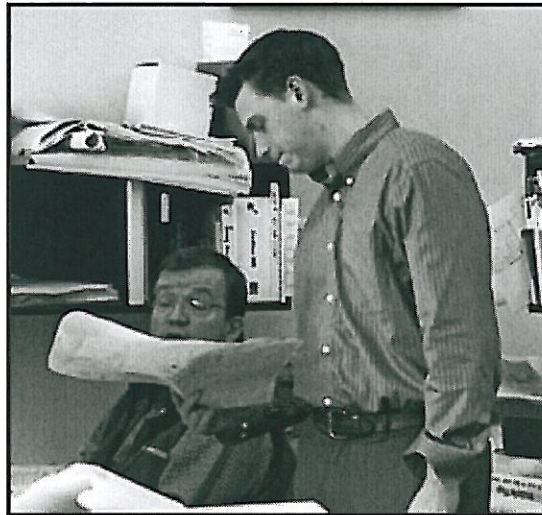
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LAMBERT ROAD  
TEAN. RIVER

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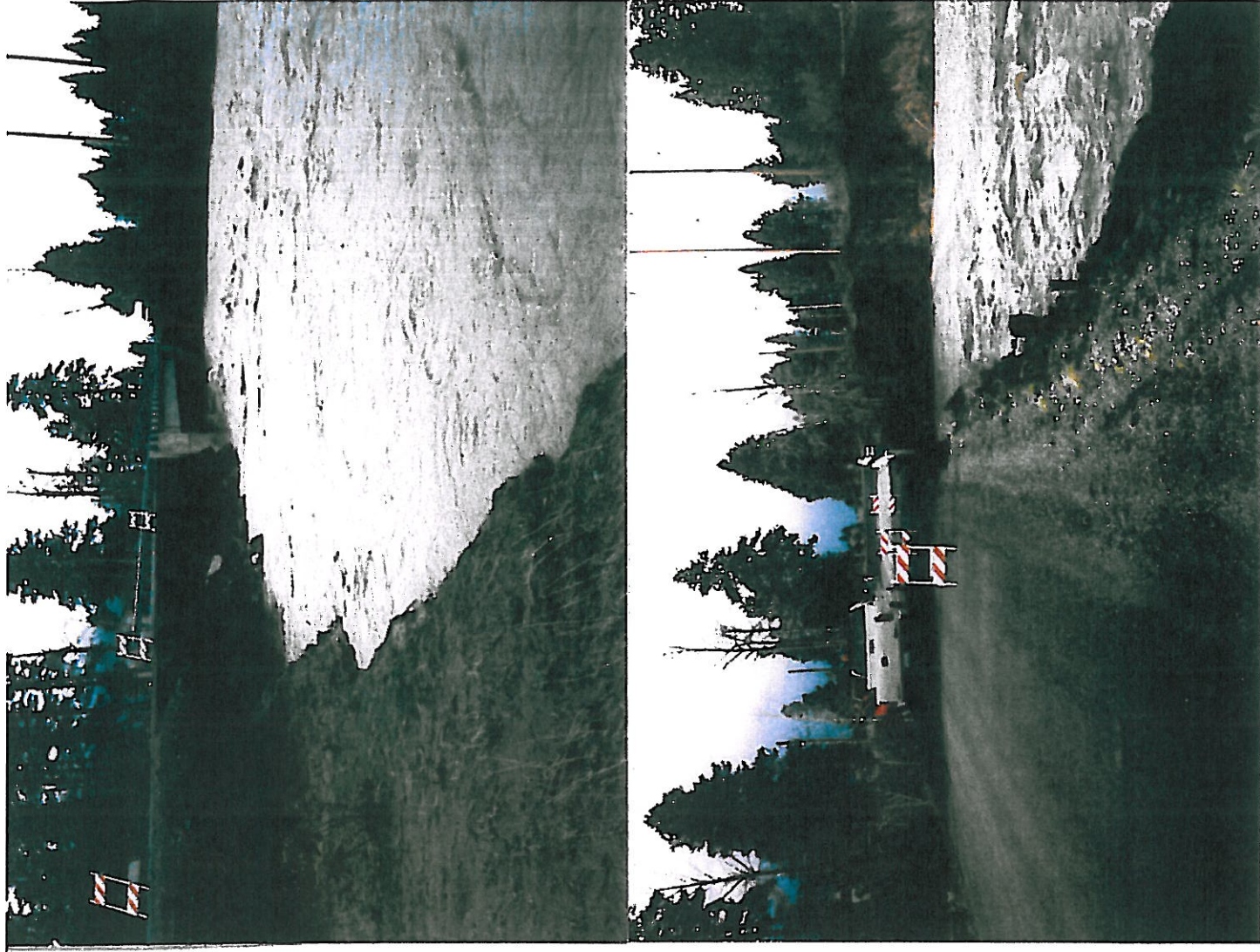
Most Likely  
11/90 not 1989

Lambert Bridge Repair File  
Flood WO 02950  
DSR# 65003

Notice No Overland  
Flow



Lambert Road  
Bridge  
November 1995





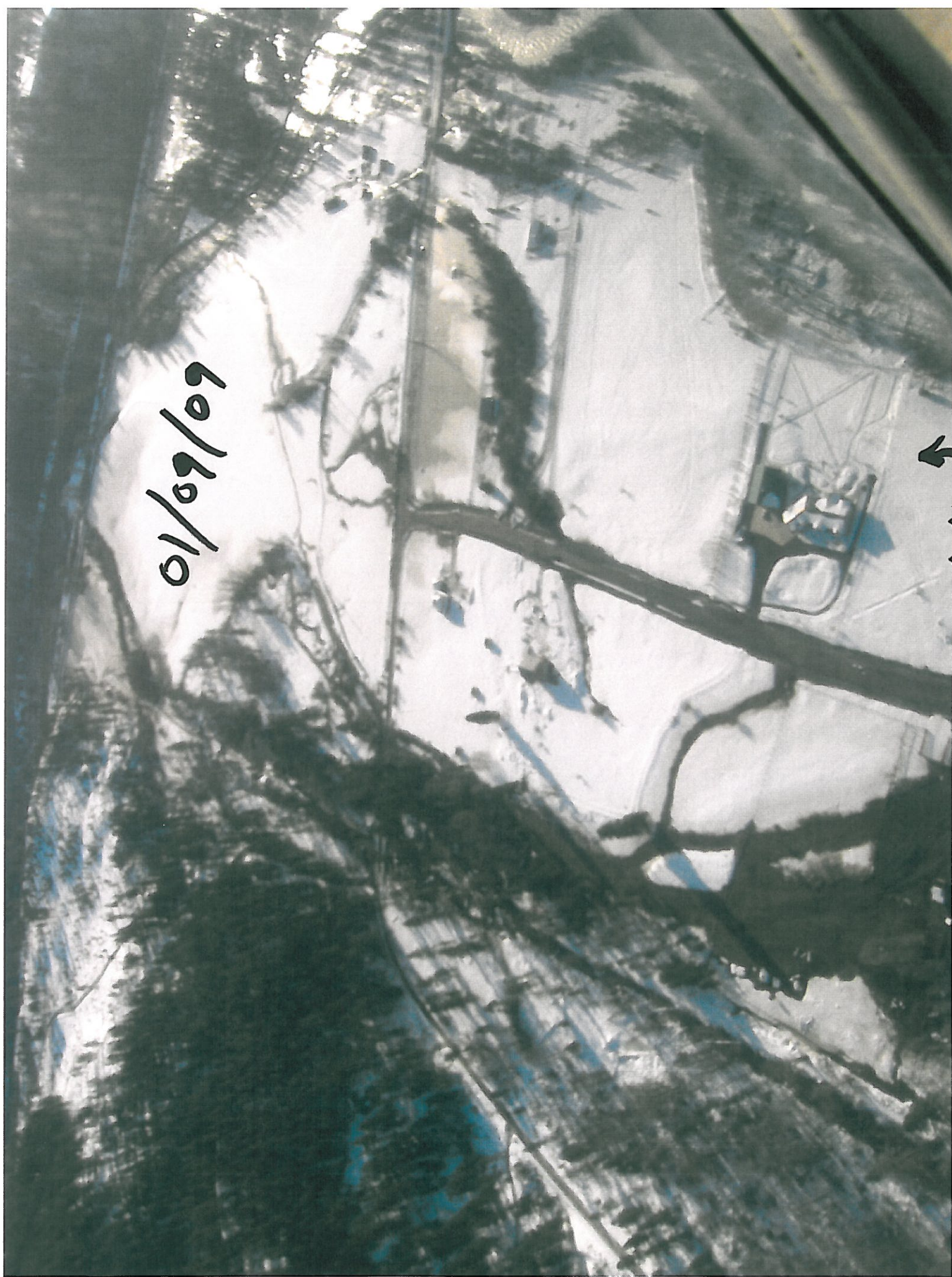
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Looking North from  
Lambert Road





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every hill

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NO  
STEP