

Region SCR County Sauk Date 1-20-77 Classification FAL

Water Body: Baraboo R.

Discharger: Baraboo STP, et. al.

If classified as Limited Forage Fish (LFF) or Limited Aquatic Life (LAL), check any of the following Use Attainability Analysis factors that apply:

Naturally occurring pollutant concentrations prevent the attainment of use

Natural, ephemeral, intermittent or low flow conditions or water levels prevent the attainment of the use, unless these conditions may be compensated for by the discharge of sufficient volume of effluent discharges without violating State water conservation requirements to enable uses to be met

Human caused conditions or sources of pollution prevent the attainment of the use and cannot be remedied or would cause more environmental damage to correct than to leave in place

Dams, diversions or other types of hydrologic modifications preclude the attainment of the use, and it is not feasible to restore the water body to its original condition or operate such modification in a way that would result in the attainment of the use

Physical conditions related to the natural features of the water body, such as the lack of a proper substrate, cover, flow, depth, pools, riffles, and the like, unrelated to water quality, preclude attainment of aquatic life protection uses

Controls more stringent than those required by sections 301(b) and 306 of the Act would result in substantial and widespread economic and social impact

Supporting Evidence included

- Biological Data (fish/invert)
- Chemical Data (temp, D.O., etc.)
- Physical Data (flow, depth, etc.)
- Habitat Description
- Site Description/Map
- Other:

Comments:

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Baraboo Sewage Treatment Plant
Village of La Valle
North Freedom Sewerage Utility
Reedsburg Sewage Treatment Plant
Village of Rock Springs
Sauk County

January 20, 1977

Baraboo River - Surface Acres = 267.3 Miles, Miles = 63, Gradient = 1.59 feet per mile.

This well known warmwater drainage stream is the largest stream, other than the Wisconsin River, in Sauk County. Originating in Monroe County, it flows through the southwestern corner of Juneau County and enters Sauk County at Wonewoc. Continuing in a southeasterly direction it flows through the municipalities of La Valle, Reedsburg, Rock Springs, North Freedom, and Baraboo before entering the Wisconsin River near Portage in Columbia County.

The Baraboo River supports a variety of fish species, but smallmouth bass, northern pike and channel catfish dominate the sport fishery. Panfish are common, and forage and rough fish are abundant. Fishing pressure is considered light to moderate. Waterfowl hunting and canoeing are also important recreational pursuits.

Recommendations

The Baraboo River in Sauk County in its entirety should be classified continuous fish and aquatic life.

The above recommendations represent a concurrence of opinion of the stream classification team who are as follows:

George Osipoff - District Engineer
Gene Van Dyck - Area Fish Manager
Tom Bainbridge - District Biologist
Roger Schlessler - Natural Resources Technician

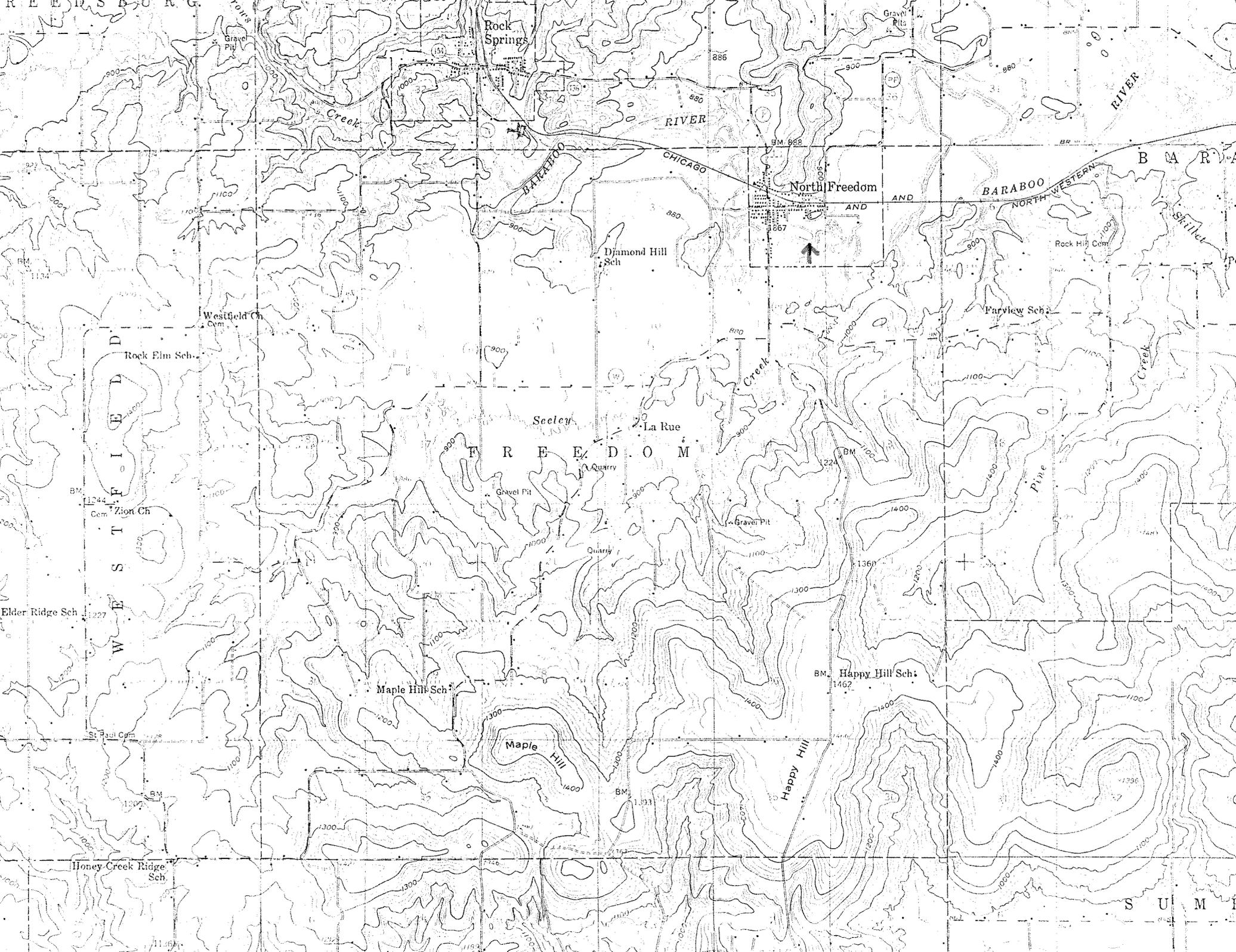
Respectfully submitted,


Thomas Bainbridge
Stream Classification Coordinator

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Rock Springs

North Freedom

Diamond Hill Sch.

Parview Sch.

Secley

La Rue

T R E E D O M

Happy Hill Sch.

Maple Hill

Happy Hill

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Honey Creek Ridge Sch.

Rock Elm Sch.

Westfield Ch. Cem.

Zion Ch. Cem.

Elder Ridge Sch.

Maple Hill Sch.

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Rock Hill Cem.

Gravel Pit

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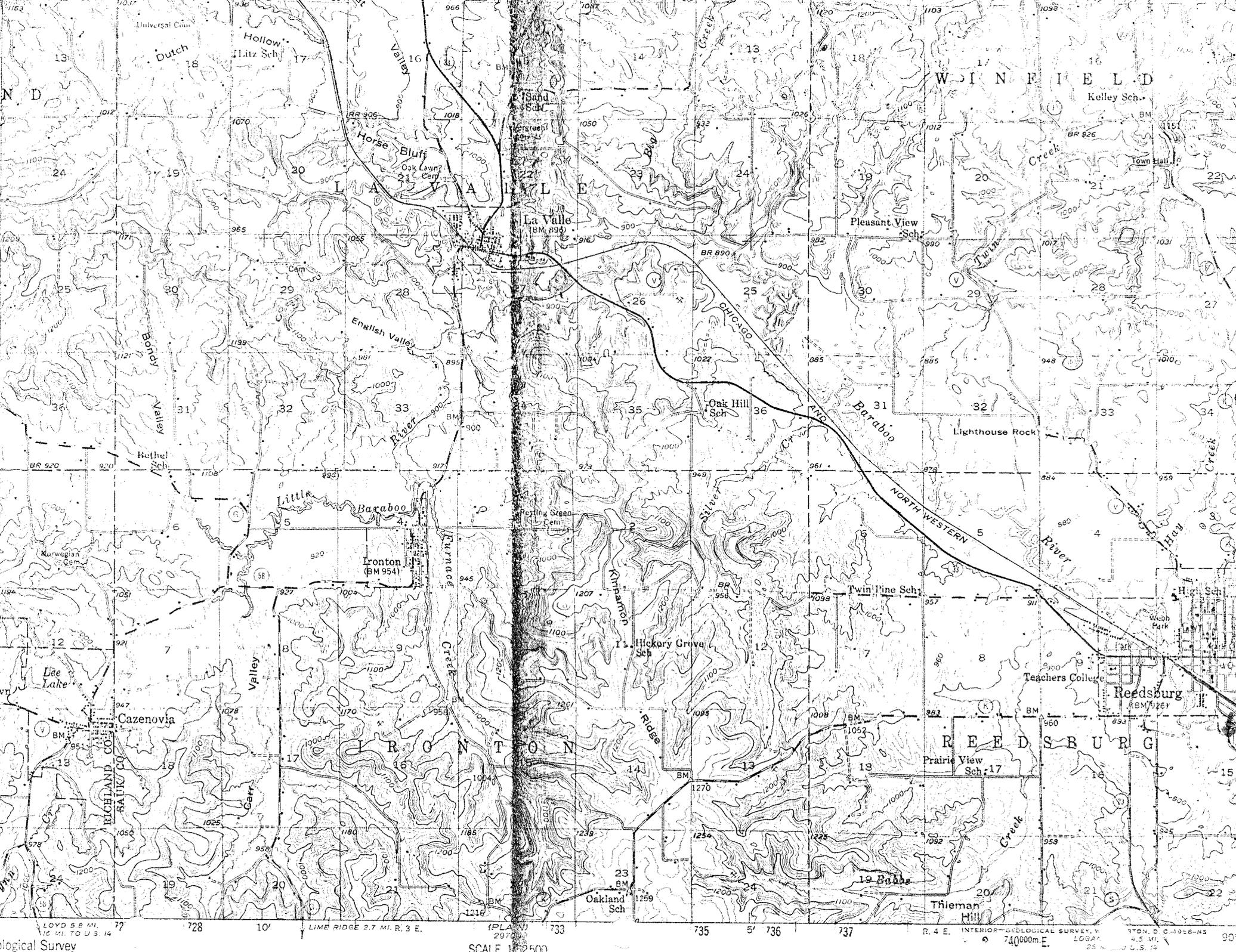
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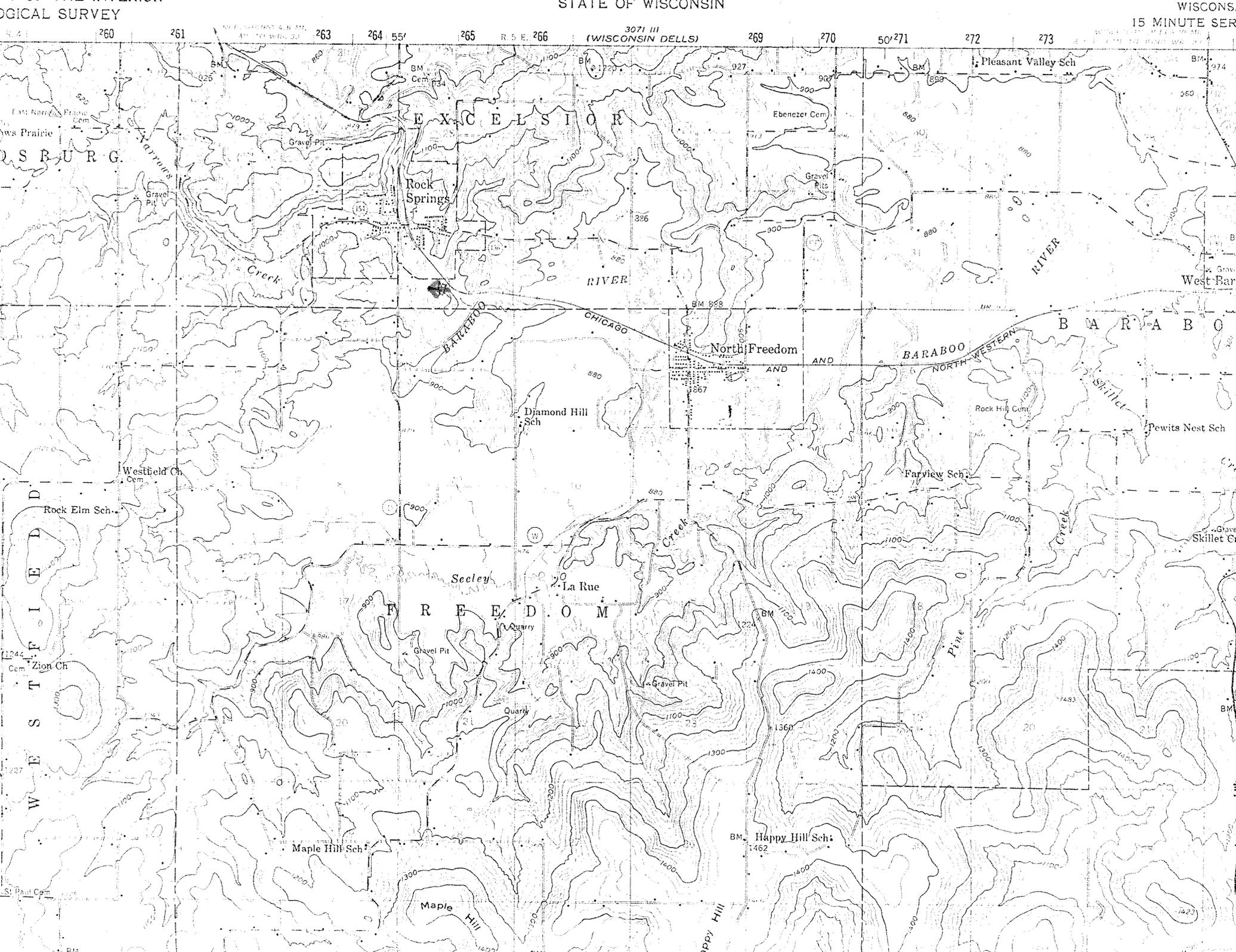
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