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Oroville Independent Forensic Team Releases Final Investigative Report

The Oroville Dam Spillway Incident Independent Forensic Team (IFT) has prepared their final report compiling the team's conclusions and opinions regarding the conditions, actions and inactions that contributed to the damage of the service spillway and emergency spillway at Oroville Dam in February 2017. This report is an expansion on the findings released in the team's interim reports, with the addition of detailed supporting evidence and human factors not previously addressed.

Yesterday, the IFT submitted the final report to the California Department of Water Resources (DWR) closely followed by a briefing from John France, the team leader. The IFT requested the report be made available to the public following the briefing with DWR.

The report can be viewed here - <https://damsafety.org/article/media/oroville-investigationteam>

Today at 1:30 PT, the Association of State Dam Safety Officials (ASDSO) and the United States Society on Dams (USSD) will moderate a press briefing with France to answer questions regarding the document.

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All work submitted by the IFT as well as any conclusions and opinions presented are the sole work of the team and completed without input or influence from DWR or others.

ASDSO and USSD appreciate the in-depth work of the IFT and their dedication during the many long months that it took to thoroughly investigate the incident, and will continue to support the dam safety industry to disseminate the many important lessons learned from the Oroville Dam Spillways incident.

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