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River Hydro Asset Key Terms

Definitions/purpose of the major components and aspects critical of safe, compliant, and reliable operations:

- **Dam:** The entire barrier to hold back the water (reservoir) typically consists of embankments, spillways, and powerhouse
- **Spillway:** Primary location for water flow when not used for generation
- **Powerhouse:** Location of generation units
- **Embankment:** Earthen barrier to hold back the reservoir, which contains a hydraulic barrier (core wall)

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Cooke Dam Structures









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- With a capacity of 9,000 kilowatts, the hydro began generating electricity in December 1911.
- Cooke was listed in the National Register of Historic Places on August 2, 1996.
- The honor recognizes the hydro's transmission of 140,000 volts, 125 miles to Flint, establishing a world record.
- Lumberman's Monument, a 14-foot bronze statue dedicated to Michigan lumbermen, is the centerpiece of a major Forest Service Visitor Center located on the Cooke Hydro pond



General Information: Cooke Dam

FERC License Expiration Date: June 30, 2034 Dam Height (ft.): 50 Length of Dam (ft.): 900 Drainage Area (sq. miles): 1,641 Impoundment Area (acres): 1,700 Age (years): 111 FERC Hazard Classification: High* Approximate Population at Risk: 600 Approximate Recreation Use:

- 103,000 visitors annually
- 22 boat docks
- 77 campsites



*Failure or misoperation will probably result in loss of human life.

Percentage of Fuel Type Used to Produce Consumers Energy's Total Electricity



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