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« <u>River rapid hydraulics in the Grand Canyon</u> Participation in the 2008 Southern California Earthquake Center Annual meeting »

Havasu creek (near Colorado River) flood aftermath pictures

A fair bit has been written on the recent flood in Havasu Creek that was triggered by heavy rainfall:

http://arizonageology.blogspot.com/2008/08/flooding-reached-9-feet-above-havasu.html

http://arizonageology.blogspot.com/2008/08/first-person-account-of-grand-canyon.html

http://arizonageology.blogspot.com/2008/08/flood-damage-will-keep-supai-closed.html

And links there in. I also found a number of impressive videos on YouTube.

Anyways, as the first link points out, we were on a river trip that put in at Lee's Ferry the same day as the flood. So that means we were 156.7 miles upstream from the flood and did not get there until 4 days later.

When we did get there, we could certainly see evidence for the flood. The evidence was the silt and sand freshly deposited and flotsam-mostly wood-1-3 m above the current water level. The water was also not very clear. We could not assess the travertine status. Here are some pictures:









This is what it might look like otherwise:





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