



Figure 1.—Observation and measurement sites in major channels affected by debris flows and flooding in the December 1999 storm in Venezuela.

APPENDIX A—MEASUREMENTS OF DEBRIS-FLOW AND FLOOD DEPOSITS

Map no. refers to field measurement site locations shown in Figure 1. Site numbers 7-10-1 through 7-11-1 were assigned according to month and day of visit. July, 1999, and then by order of observation, 1, 2, 3, etc. Site numbers are repeated where separate measurements are made at same site. Location of measurement for depth, "left" and "right" refers to location relative to upstream view of channel. Boulder size values of median (50 percent), 75 percent, and 90 percent size distributions are based on visual estimates, except for those of 0.5, 1.0, and 2.0 m based on field measurements of maximum boulder at each site. — indicates no measurements or observations; numbers in red indicate measurements of probable debris flow deposits; size of boulders referred to as "A" axis. A normal diameter of boulders was calculated from the volume based on the assumption that the boulder was a cube or sphere. Flow velocity necessary to transport boulder based on boulder size determined by methods of Costa (1985) and Clarke (1996). Flow velocity based on an approximation calculated according to Costa (1985).

Map no.	Slope, degrees	Flow depth, left, in; right, in	Deposit thickness, in	Boulder size, in m			Maximum boulder size, in m	Superelevation, in	Flow velocity, in m/s	Comments				
				50%	75%	90%								
Camurichiquito														
4-4-1	38-40	6.0	4.5	—	95.3	—	—	—	—	Both schist and granite boulders; largest granite boulder carried in matrix.				
4-4-2	25-30	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Basal boulder with extensive debris; former deposition around box boulders.				
4-4-3	2.5	—	—	—	0.4-0.5	—	—	—	—	Washed by coarse, silty pebbly matrix.				
4-4-4	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Washed by coarse, silty pebbly matrix.				
4-4-5	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Washed by coarse, silty pebbly matrix.				
4-4-6	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Washed by coarse, silty pebbly matrix.				
4-4-7	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Washed by coarse, silty pebbly matrix.				
4-4-8	43.5-5.0	3.0-4.0	10-30.0	—	11.3	5.0	3.5	197.8	5.83 (2.23)	14.0	9.1 (7.02)	11.4	8.8 (5.93)	Debris flow from tributary channel leaving deposits stops in main channel.
4-4-9	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Debris flow moved over top of old boulder.
4-4-10	4.5	4.5	—	—	1.5	12.0	8.2	2.4	238.2	6.18 (787)	14.5	8.8 (8.98)	—	Inclined boulders (maximum dimension of 1 to 3 m) in matrix; debris flow deposit over flood deposit.
4-4-11	48.0-6.0	7.0	12.0	—	10.0	4.7	3.5	164.5	5.48 (8.90)	11.1	8.3 (9.33)	—	—	Evidence of a sequence of three events: from top to bottom, coarse debris flow, finer grained debris flow, flow-graded deposition of sandstone from flow channel.
4-4-12	6.0	6.0	6.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Boulder deposited with top debris flow event; old debris flow deposit at base of channel with at least 1.5 m size boulders overlies with boulders and soil.
4-4-13	13.0-14.0	16.0	9.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Granitic boulder; high concentration of large boulders with 1 m average diameter.
4-4-14	5.0-6.0	9.0	9.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Some large old boulders not removed from bottom of channel; some boulder deposition. Debris flow entering at junction of major tributary.
4-4-15	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Landslide blocking channel more than 100 m upstream in channel.
San Julián (Caraballeda fan)														
7-10-1	3.0	3.5	—	—	3.1	2.6	1.0	8.1	2.01 (2.40)	—	8.3	5.2 (5.7)	—	Granitic boulder.
7-10-2	3.0-3.5	—	—	—	1.7	18.0	—	—	—	—	—	—	—	Granitic boulder.
7-10-3	3.5-5.0	—	—	—	5.3	2.7	1.9	232	3.00 (1.73)	—	8.4	6.3 (8.58)	—	Sequence of three old debris flow deposits with combined thickness of 7 m capped by new deposits.
7-10-4	3.5-5.0	—	—	—	3.0	11.0	—	—	—	—	8.4	6.3 (8.58)	—	Granitic boulder supported in matrix.
7-10-5	3.5-5.0	—	—	—	3.0	11.0	—	—	—	—	8.4	6.3 (8.58)	—	Granitic boulder supported in matrix.
7-10-6	3.5-5.0	—	—	—	3.0	11.0	—	—	—	—	8.4	6.3 (8.58)	—	Granitic boulder supported in matrix.
7-10-7	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	6.3	2.0	1.9	23.8	2.80 (3.80)	—	7.3	4.1 (6.38)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-8	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-9	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-10	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-11	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-12	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-13	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-14	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-15	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-16	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-17	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-18	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-19	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-20	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-21	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-22	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-23	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-24	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-25	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-26	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-27	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-28	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-29	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-30	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-31	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-32	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-33	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-34	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-35	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-36	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-37	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-38	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-39	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-40	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-41	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-42	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-43	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-44	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-45	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-46	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-47	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-48	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-49	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-50	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-51	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-52	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-53	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-54	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-55	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-56	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-57	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-58	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-59	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.8	20.6	2.74 (3.40)	—	8.3	6.0 (8.60)	—	Dark-colored granitic boulder within a sandy gravel matrix.
7-10-60	4.0-5.0	—	—	—	4.4	2.8	1.							