

The highway at the right side of the picture leads into the Davis Creek Village. The road once came straight **across** to the center of the picture. The washout forced the temporary road to skirt the right side of the picture. This stream, prior to August 19, had an average width of 3 feet and a depth of 3 to 5 inches, and was surrounded by lush green bottomland. The streambed is 300 feet wide now, 30 feet below its original level and there is no bottomland, no meadow, the homes are gone. 53 people of Davis Creek died, 28 have not yet been found. Only 2 houses were noted by us in the area, both partially livable.

A rock slide from the distant heights damaged this home and imbedded the car in the mudbank. I am standing at the point where the original creek bed once flowed.

Here is another view of the same mountainslide. There you see the stream bed in the center, now it is three times its normal size, yet very small compared to the water course washed out by the flood. The rockslide approached the house from two directions and surrounded it.

This is a close-up of the foot of the slide. Notice the size of the rocks and the amount of debris washed down. Also, how clean the **rocks** of the trees are, indicating very swift and abrasive water flow.

Here is the foot of another slide, part of it pushed aside to make a temporary road. The expanse in front of you was completely under water during the flood passage. In this valley of Davis Creek, the devastation and death was heavy - mountain slides came from all directions and were numerous.

Examining this mountainslide, you see in the distant rising slope the interior bed-rock of the mountain after the topsoil and surface stone had given way and washed down into the valley. It was as if someone had taken a carving knife and sliced away the mountainside.

Here is another rock slide. Again note that the debris is free of soil just as if someone took a fire hose and washed it clean.

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