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# River Engineering

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## Objectives

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Brief overview of methods and case studies  
for river engineering and modeling:

1. Degradation, Scour and Gravel Mining;
2. Aggradation, Sedimentation and Flushing;
3. Dredging and Sediment Management;
4. Disaster Prevention.











**Bank Stabilization near Bridges  
Sacramento River, CA**



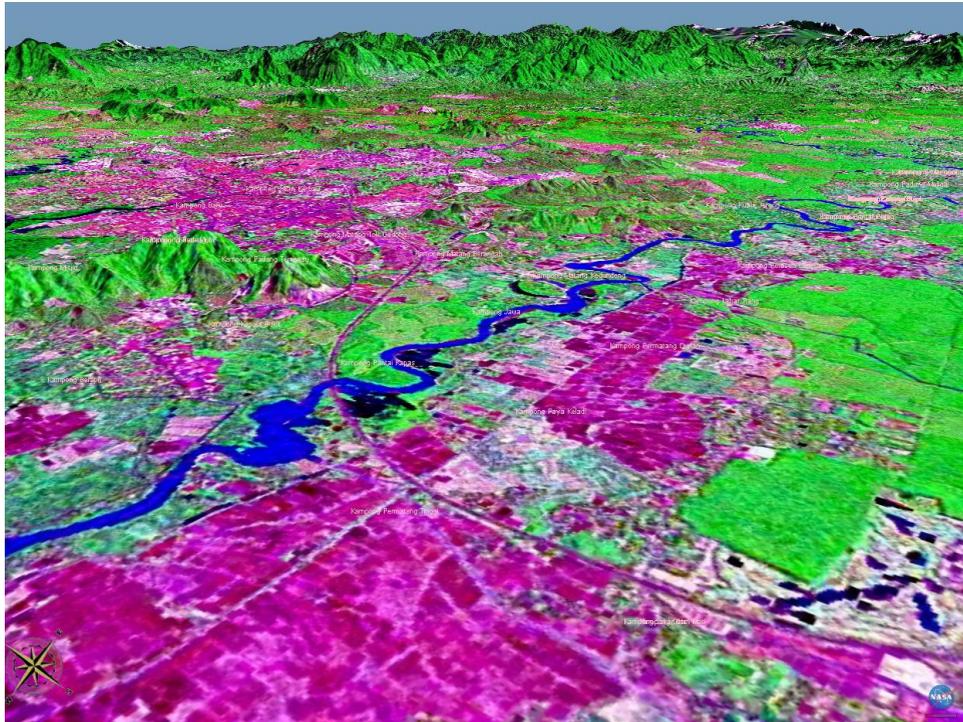












## Sand and Gravel Mining

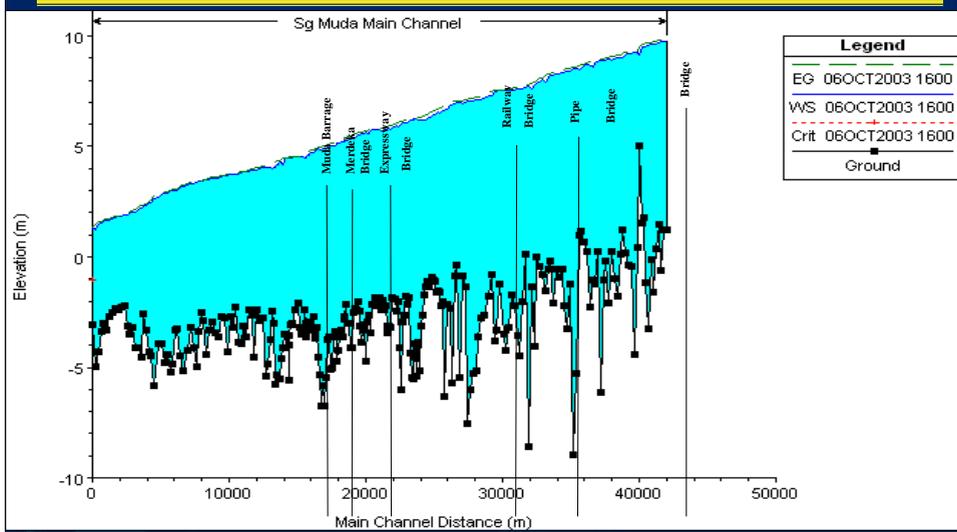


River Sand  
Mining

# Channel realignment



## Longitudinal Profile for Sg Muda ( $Q=1340\text{m}^3/\text{s}$ )





## Off-stream Sand and Gravel Mining



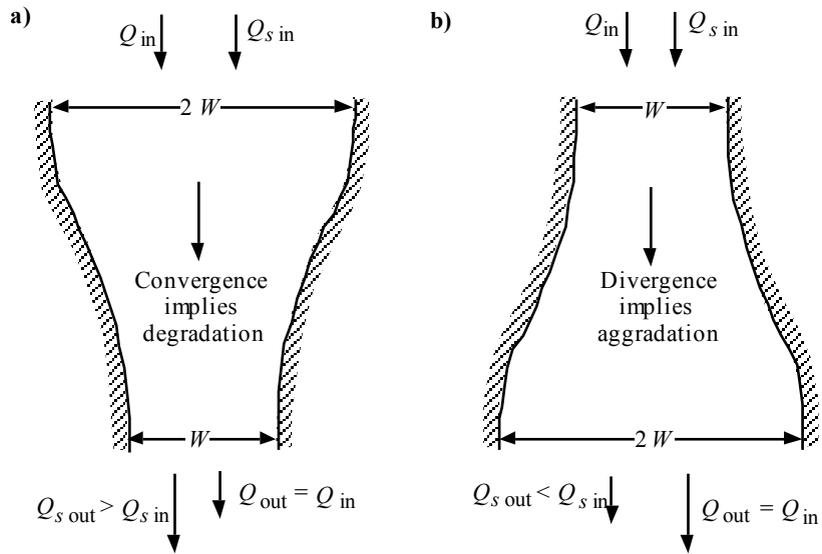


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## 2. Aggradation, Sedimentation and Flushing

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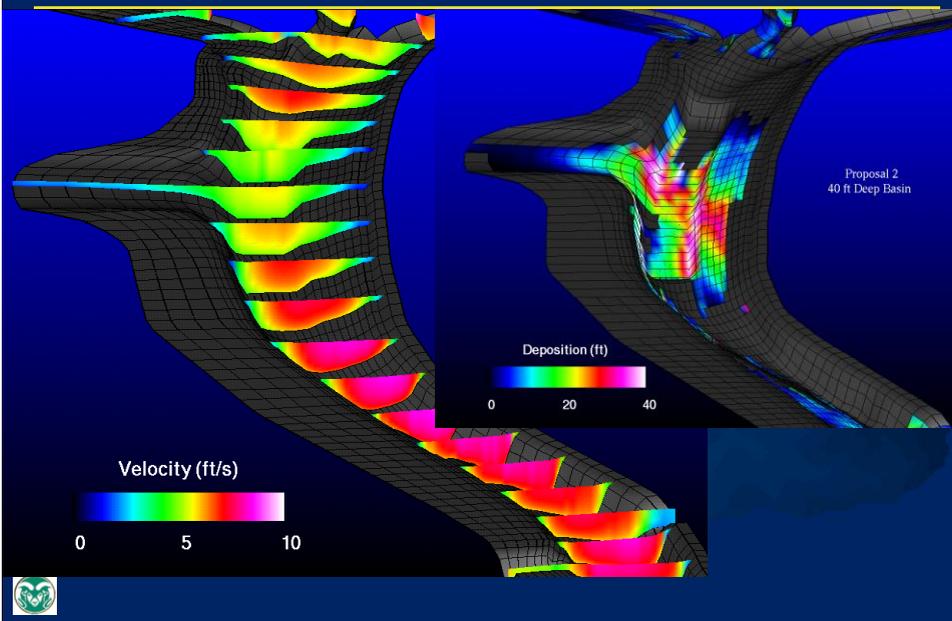




## Environmental Considerations



## Example 3-D Model Mississippi



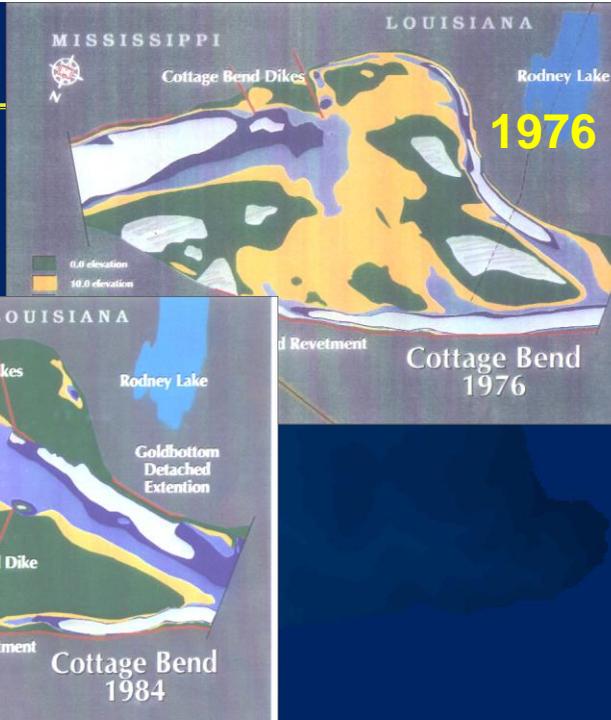
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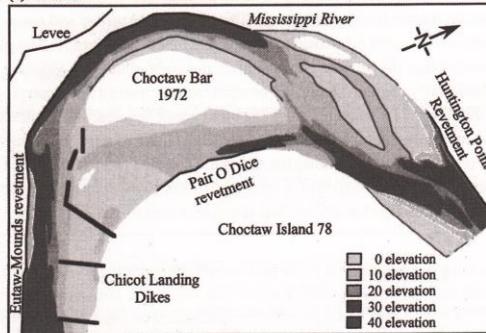




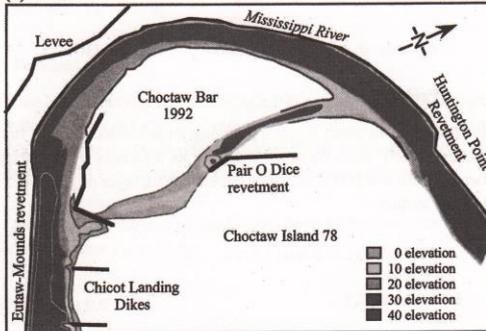
# Cottage Bend



(a) In 1972



(b) In 1992



From Julien  
River Mechanics  
CUP 2002

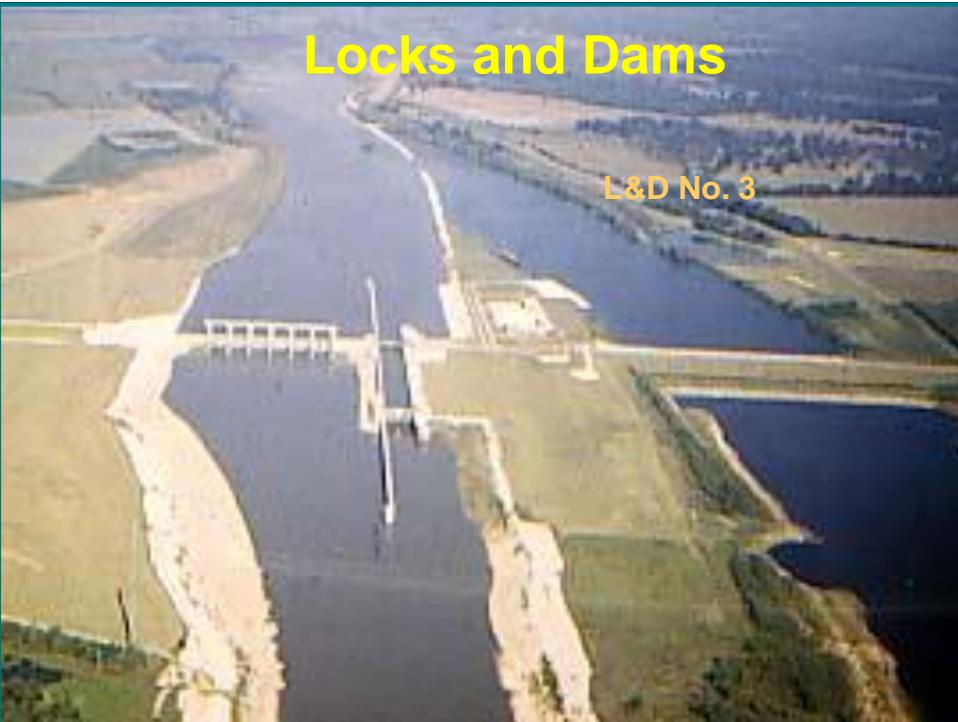


## Sedimentation Problems Can Be Solved



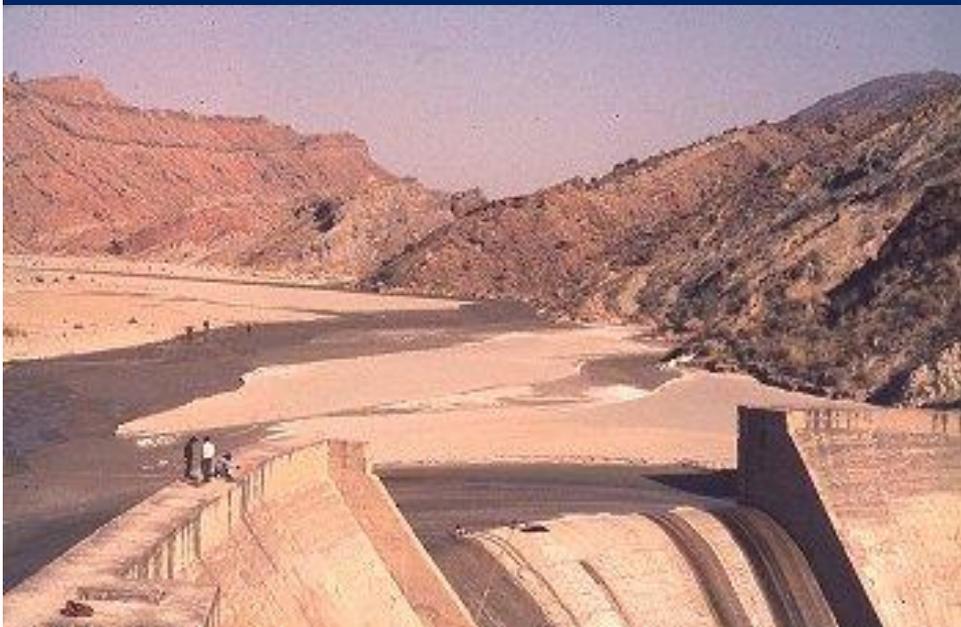
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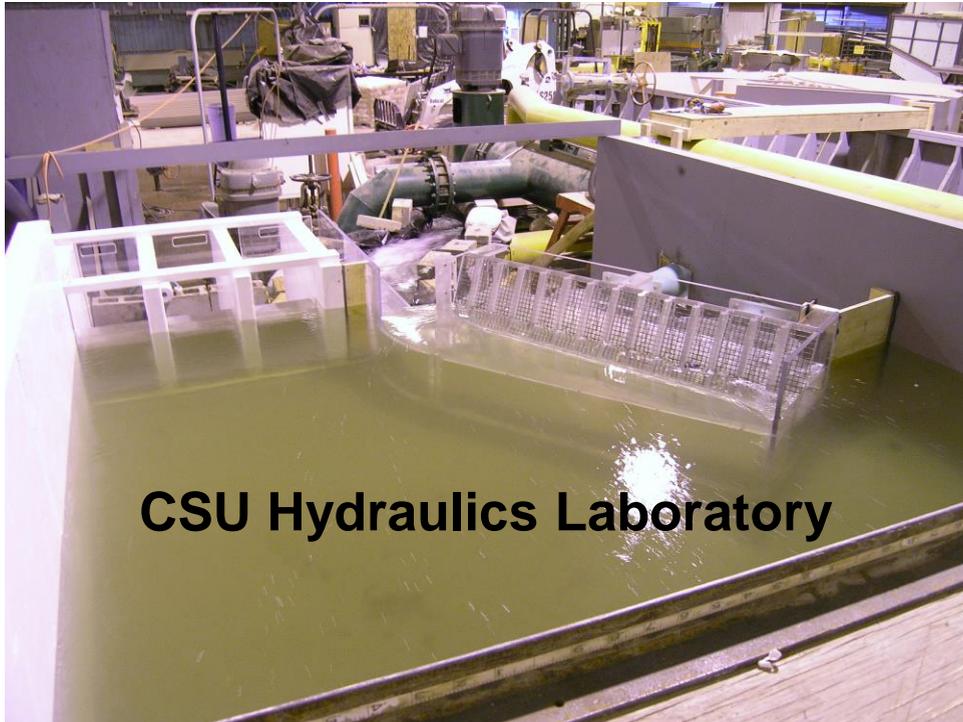
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## Bengal and Indus







## Sediment Flushing







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## 3. Dredging and Sediment Management

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## Sediment Plugs on the Rio Grande



Where did the water go?

From D. Baird, USBR



•Middle Rio Grande, NM, USBR



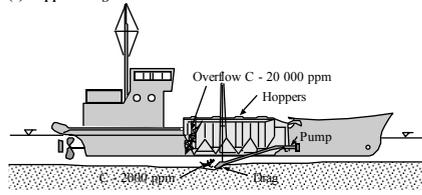


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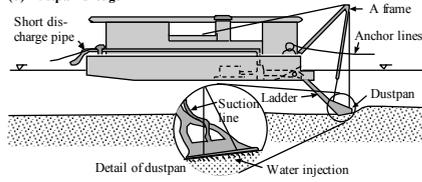


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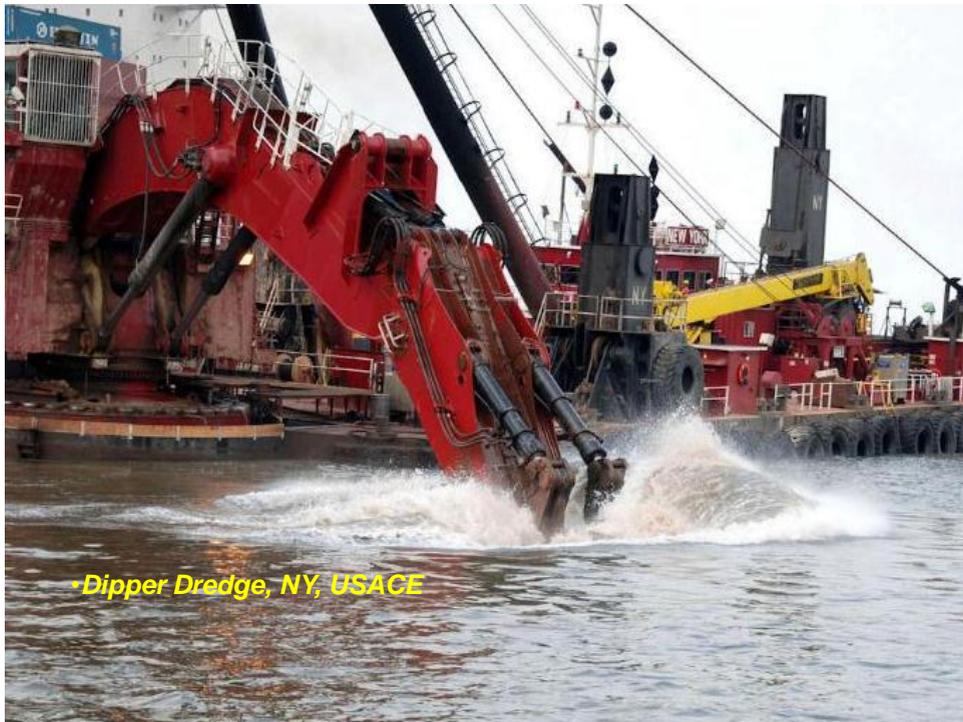
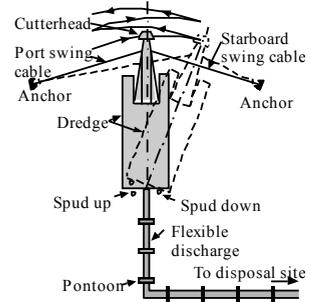
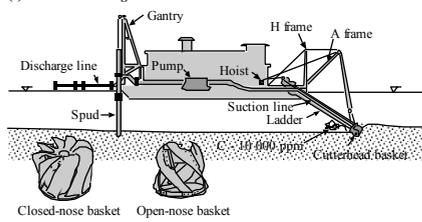
(a) Hopper dredge



(b) Dustpan dredge



(c) Cutterhead dredge



-Dipper Dredge, NY, USACE

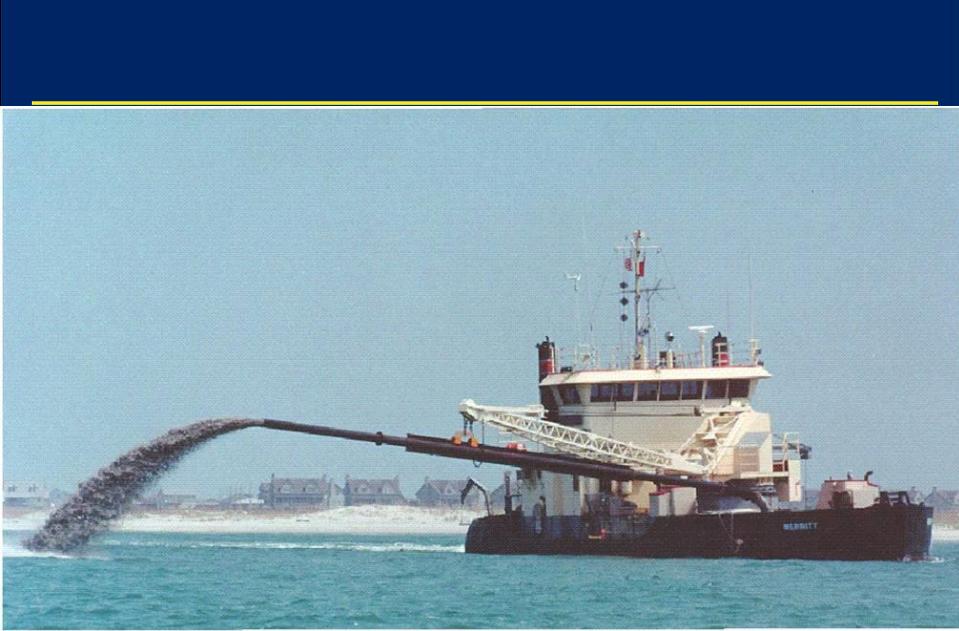


*Clamshell Dredge*



*•Mystic River Clamshell Dredge, New England District, USACE*





*Dustpan Dredge*



## Cutterhead Dredge



Cutterhead Dredge



•Closed-nose Basket Cutterhead Dredge, Delaware River, USACE



•Open-nose Basket Cutterhead Dredge, Savannah River, USACE

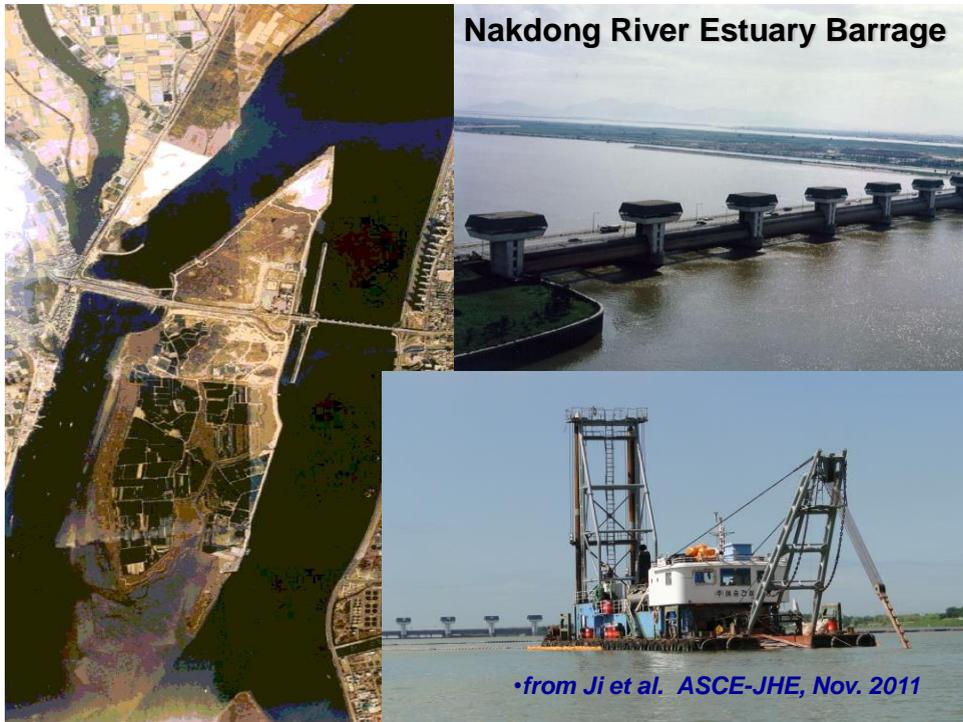
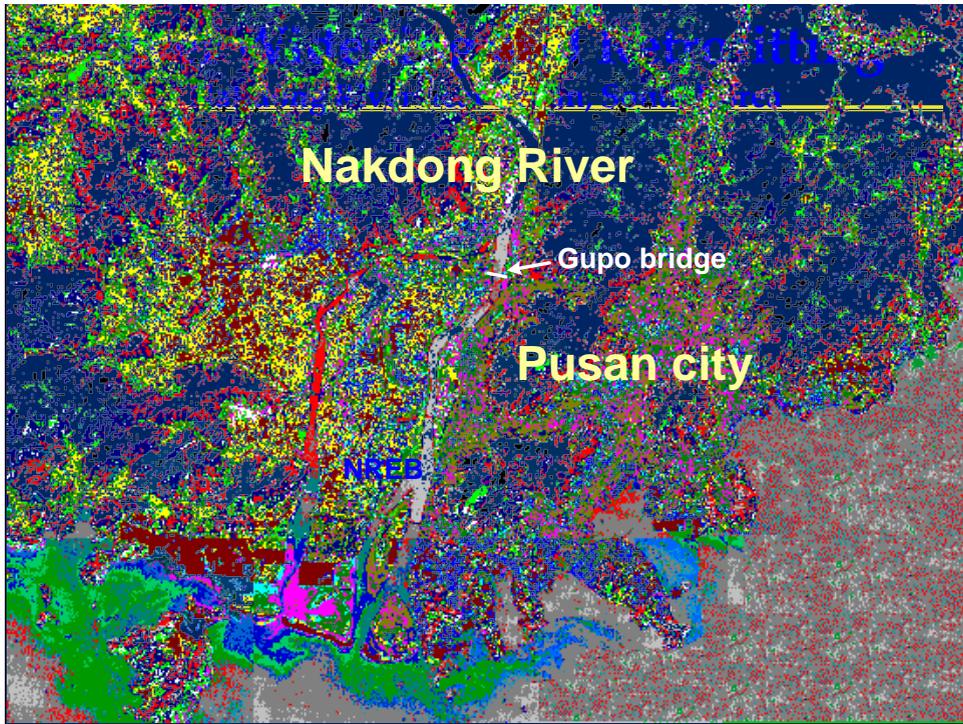


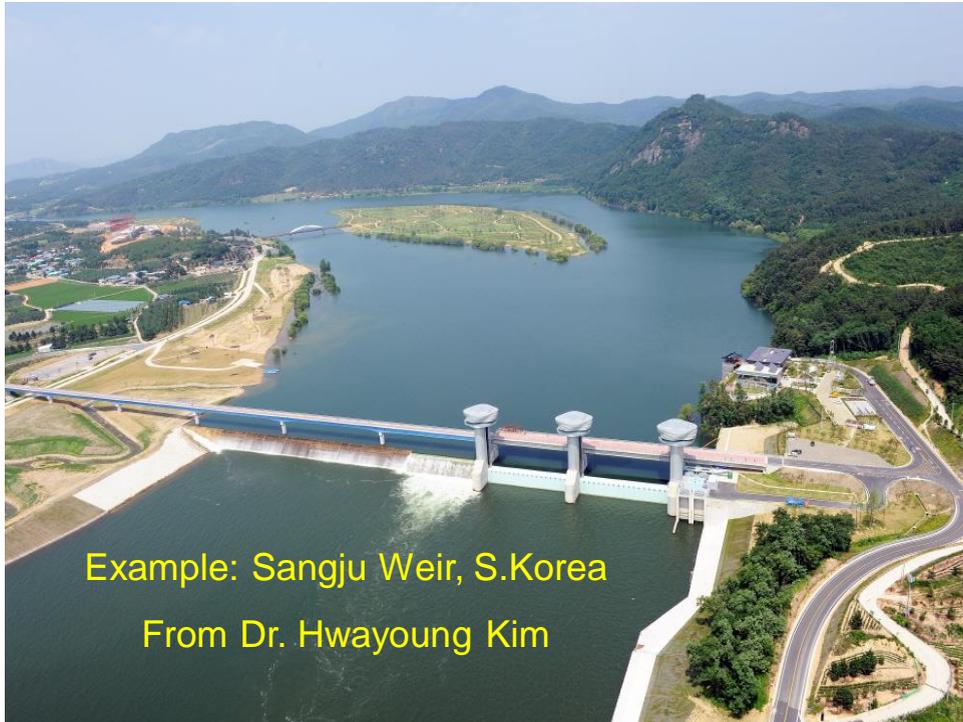




*Disposal site for dredged material*







## Hydropower Revenues

Capacity: 1,500 kW \* 2 units

$$P = 9.81 \times \eta \times Q_a \times H_a$$

Unit cost of sales = 0.13 USD/kWh

Weir	Production and benefit			Unit cost of sales	
	MWh	Benefit(10 <sup>6</sup> KRW)	benefit(10 <sup>3</sup> USD)	KRW/kWh	USD/kWh
Sangju	8,004	1,179	1,072	147.32	0.13



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# Excavation Costs

- Nakdong River Estuary Barrage (1990 – 2010)
- $V = 13,678,000 \text{ m}^3$  ( 43.2 million dollars)
- Unit cost = 6.31 USD/ $\text{m}^3$



Nakdong River  
Estuary Barrage

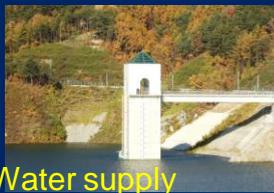


Photos of excavation

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# Other Issues besides sedimentation

- It is hard to change reservoir operation rules **for sedimentation problems only** because we have other issues to deal with.



Water supply



Stream ecology



Hydropower



Flood control



Riverside  
environment



Turbidity



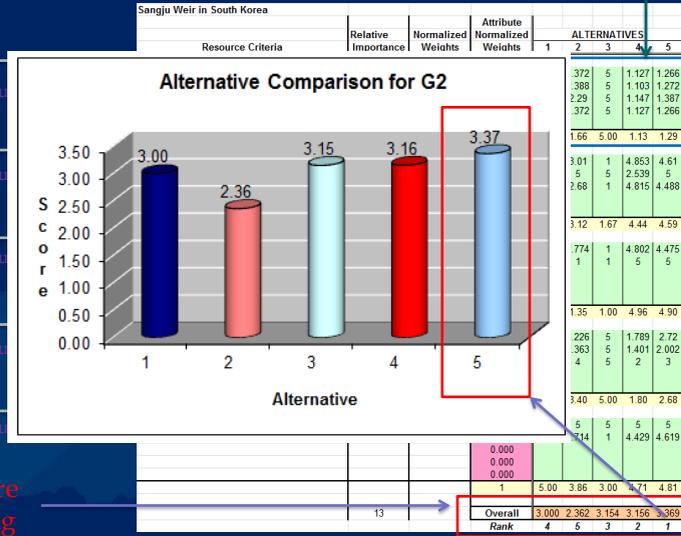
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# MCDA Rating (WAM)

Main Criteria

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Rating

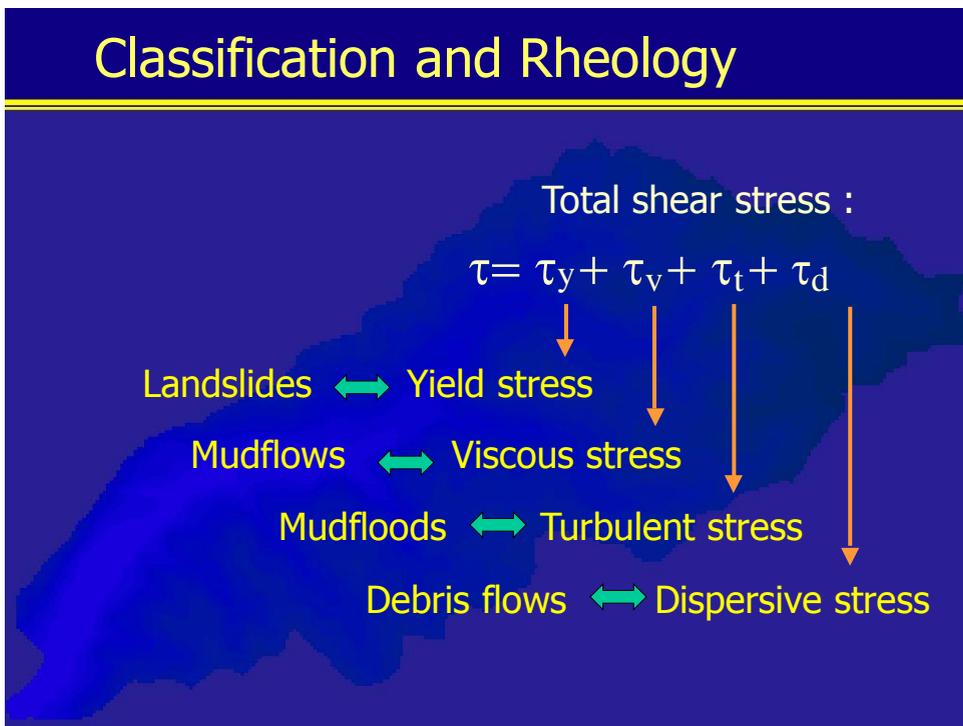


Overall score and Ranking

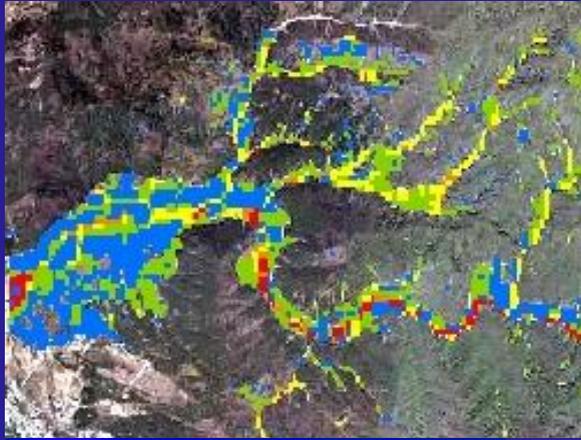


## 4. Disaster Prevention





# Landslides



Duksan Creek modeling with TREX  
from Dr. Jaehoon Kim, CSU and KFRI

- Yield strength
- Steep hillslopes
- High rainfall precipitation
- High Infiltration
- Saturated yield strength  $\sim 1\text{kPa}$

# Landslide Countermeasures

**Effective Solution**



**Slope reduction,  
drain, vegetation**

- Terraces
- Drainage



# Mudflows



- Viscous
- High concentration of silts and clays
- $45\% < C_v < 55\%$
- Low velocity and Froude number
- Large flow depth and pressure
- No abrasion

## Mudflow Countermeasures

Effective Solution



Store, Deflect, Spread

- Storage basins
- Deflection walls

Storage Basin



Deflection Wall



Rudd Creek, Utah  
from Dr. Jim O'Brien





## Mud Floods

- Turbulent
- Non-cohesive particles
- Sands and silts
- Cv as high as 40%
- High velocity and Froude Number
- Abrasive

## Mudflood Countermeasures

Effective Solution



Increased conveyance

- Straight channel
- Lined canal
- Berm and levee
- Drop structure

Lined canal with drop structures



Straight Channel



## Debris Flows – Los Corales, Venezuela



## Los Corales



# Debris Flow



- Dispersive
- Large rocks
- Non cohesive
- Low viscosity
- High velocity
- Destructive impact force

## Debris flow Countermeasures

Effective Solution



Retain large rocks  
Drain water

- Concrete sabo dams
- Steel Frames
- Debris Racks

Sabo Dam Construction



Sabo Dam and Steel Frames

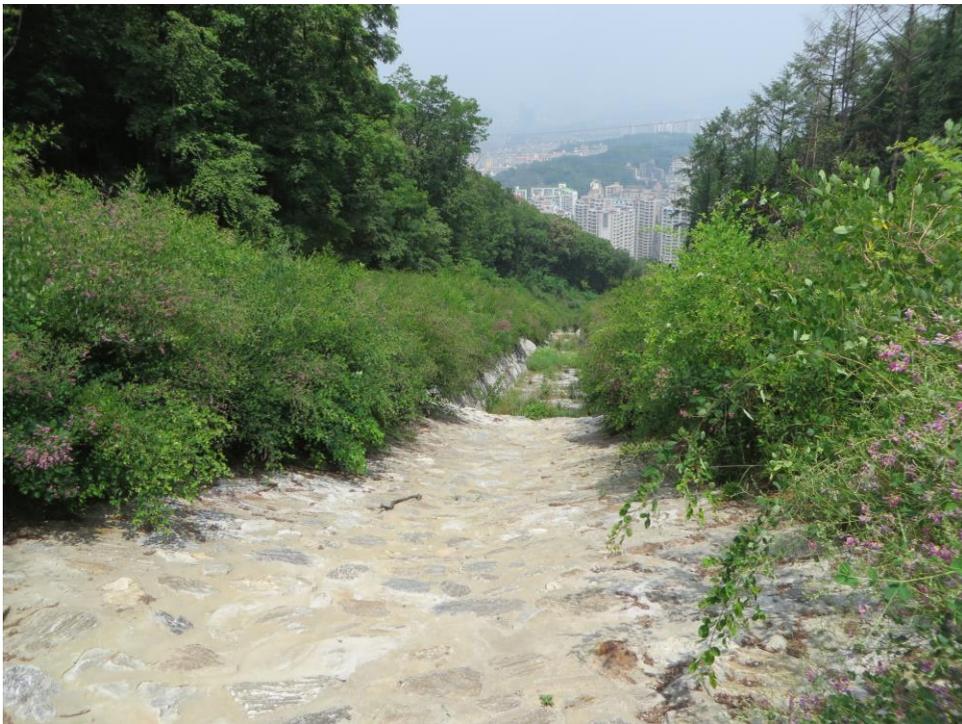


Debris Rakes



## 5. Example Mt Umyeon







- Mitigation structures for mudflows
  - » Detention basins
  - » Deflection walls
- Mitigation structures for mud floods
  - » Straight channels
  - » Lined canals, berm and levee channels
  - » Drop structures, energy dissipators
- Mitigation structures for debris flows
  - » Concrete Sabo dams
  - » Steel frames and debris rakes

