

Sediment Management in Reservoirs of Afghanistan

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View of the Reservoir from Darunta Dam West of Jalalabad



**Kajakai
Dam**

**Helmand
River**



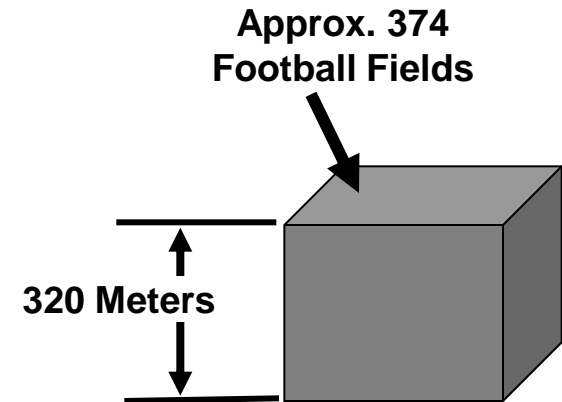
**1844-1360 =
484 million
cubic meters**

Sediment deposition has occurred in Kajakai Reservoir since the reservoir was formed in **1952**. A topographic survey in 1953 indicated Kajakai Reservoir had an original volume of about **1,844 million cubic meters** at the current spillway elevation of 1,033.5 meters (Perkins and Culbertson, 1970). In 1968, a sedimentation survey indicated the reservoir had lost about 7 percent of its volume to about 1,715 million cubic meters (Perkins and Culbertson, 1970). **By 2005**, sedimentation had likely reduced the reservoir volume by about 26 percent to an estimated **1,360 million cubic meters** at the current spillway elevation (Whitney, 2006).

**484 million cubic meters
is equivalent to the cube
shown below**



320 Meters



**At a cost of \$3.00 per cubic meter of
removing sediment from the reservoir that
translates to \$ 1.5 billion.**

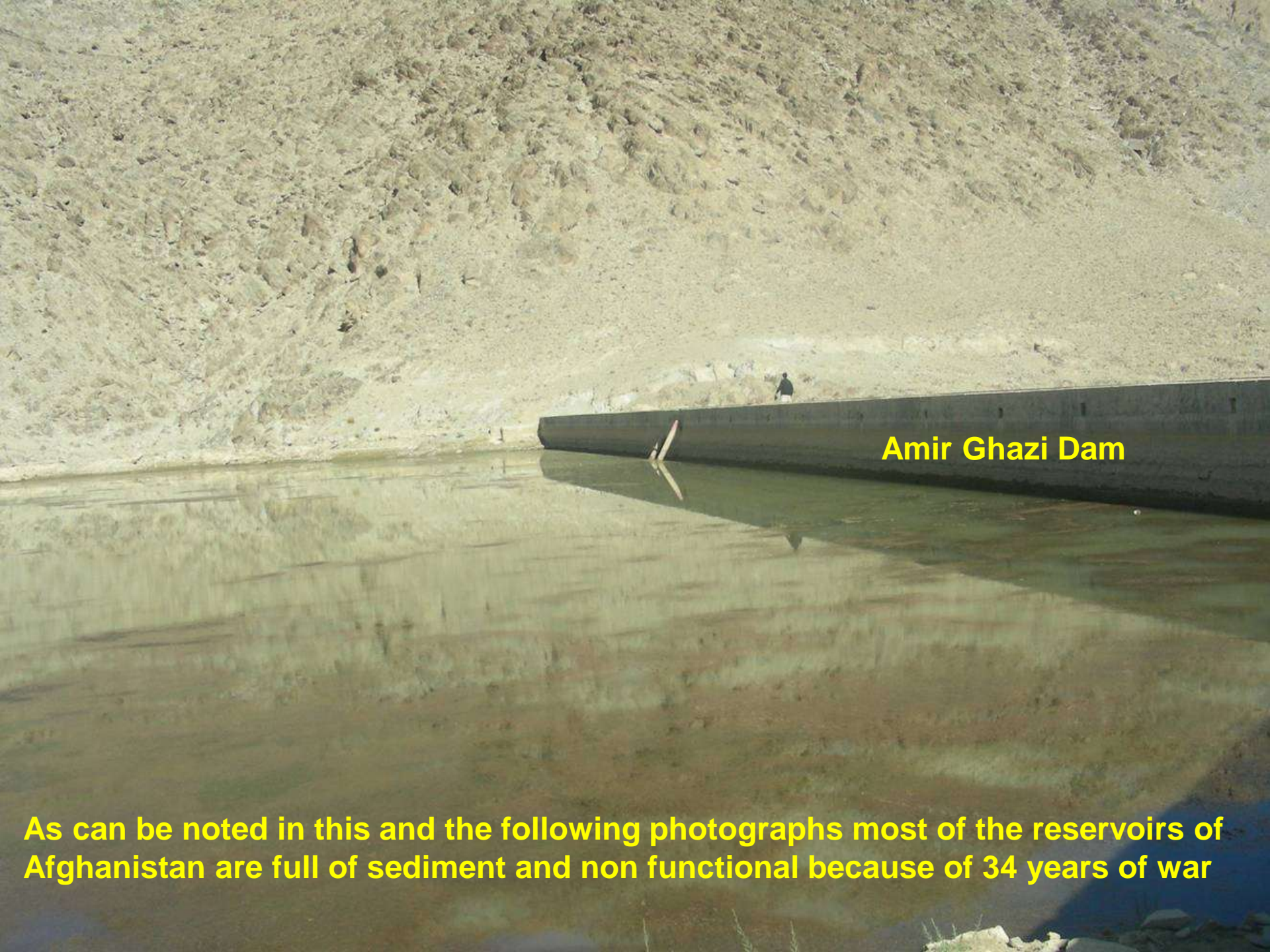


Hindu Kush Mountains



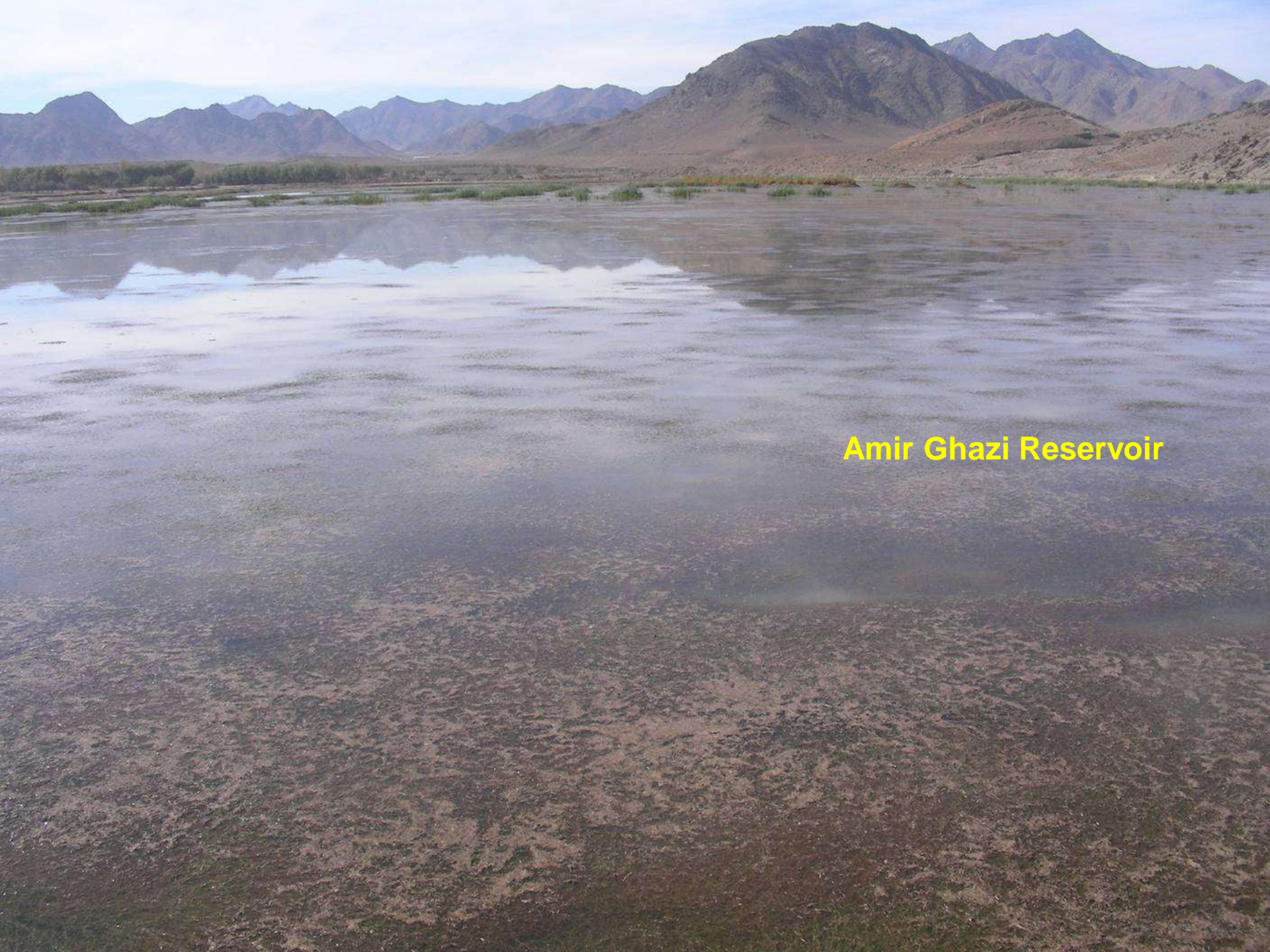
Kabul River





Amir Ghazi Dam

As can be noted in this and the following photographs most of the reservoirs of Afghanistan are full of sediment and non functional because of 34 years of war



Amir Ghazi Reservoir

Amir Ghazi Dam



Darunta Dam



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Formation of deltas and islands in the Darunta Reservoir

A wide landscape view of Darunta Reservoir. The reservoir is a large, calm body of water in the middle ground, surrounded by rolling, grassy hills. In the background, there are more hills and mountains, some with patches of snow. The sky is blue with scattered white clouds. In the foreground, there are green trees and rocks. The text "Darunta Reservoir" is overlaid in yellow on the left side of the water. The date "11 5 2009" is overlaid in red on the bottom right.

Darunta Reservoir

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Beavers have built dams for thousands of years. However, beavers design their dams such that they would wash off during major storms and sediment will not be trapped



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15 feet high 275 feet long Beaver Dam



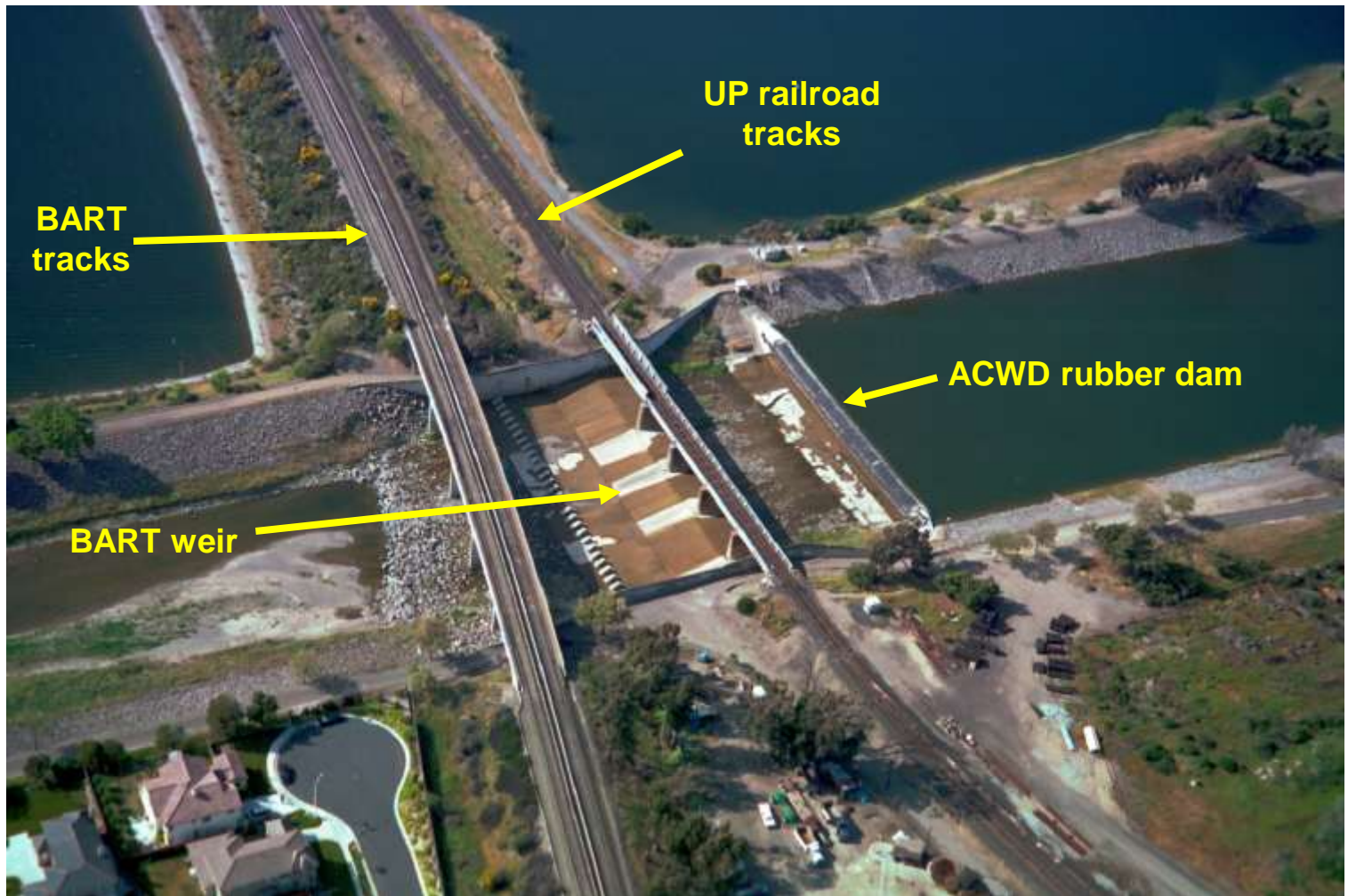
Rubber Dams can function similar to Beaver Dams



Granite Reef Diversion Dam

The purpose of the Granite Reef Diversion Dam is to divert water from the river into the canals north and south of the river for delivery to water users within the Project. Although Granite Reef Diversion Dam is a concrete dam only 29 feet high the same objective can be accomplished by a rubber dam.

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In 2007 the Alameda County Flood Control District (ACFCD) and Alameda County Water District (ACWD) signed an agreement to design a fish ladder that will allow the steelhead to bypass the BART weir and adjacent inflatable water supply dam. This shows how we can solve our problems in America. In Afghanistan we can use rubber dams to divert water into canals and irrigate dry land adjacent to rivers for growing crops and fruits. We should make it clear to the landowners and villagers that we will remove the rubber dams if they use the land for the growth of narcotics.

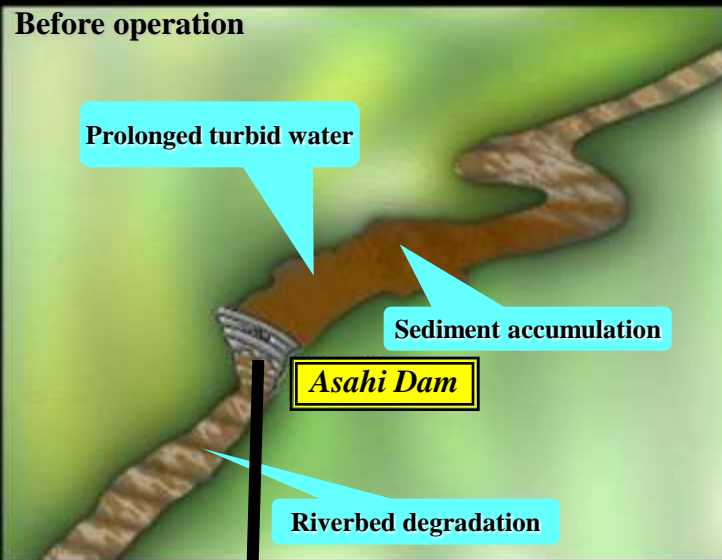
Sediment Management Options in a Reservoir

- Hydraulic Dredging
- Hydro-Suction Removal System (HSRS)
- Dry Excavation (Trucking)
- Flushing
- Upstream Sediment Trap Basins
- **Bypass System (Subject of next Presentation)**

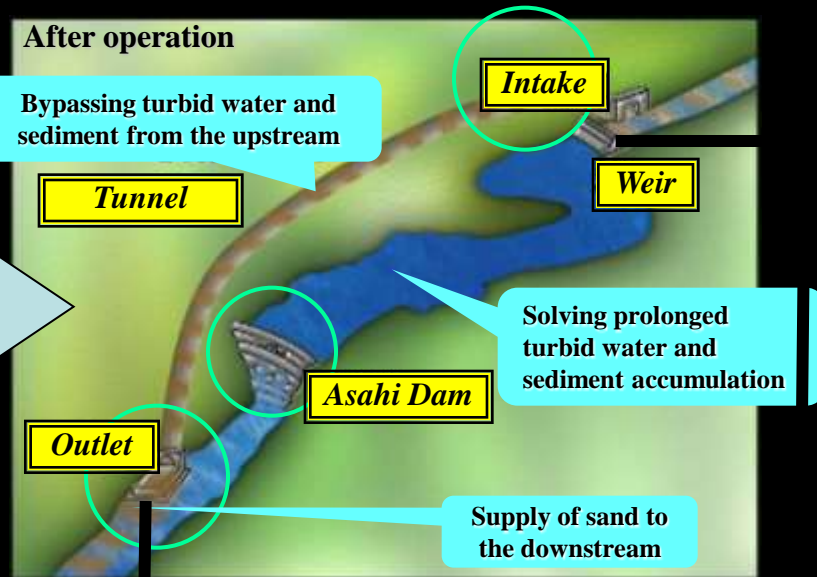
Reservoir Sedimentation Management at the Asahi Dam, Japan

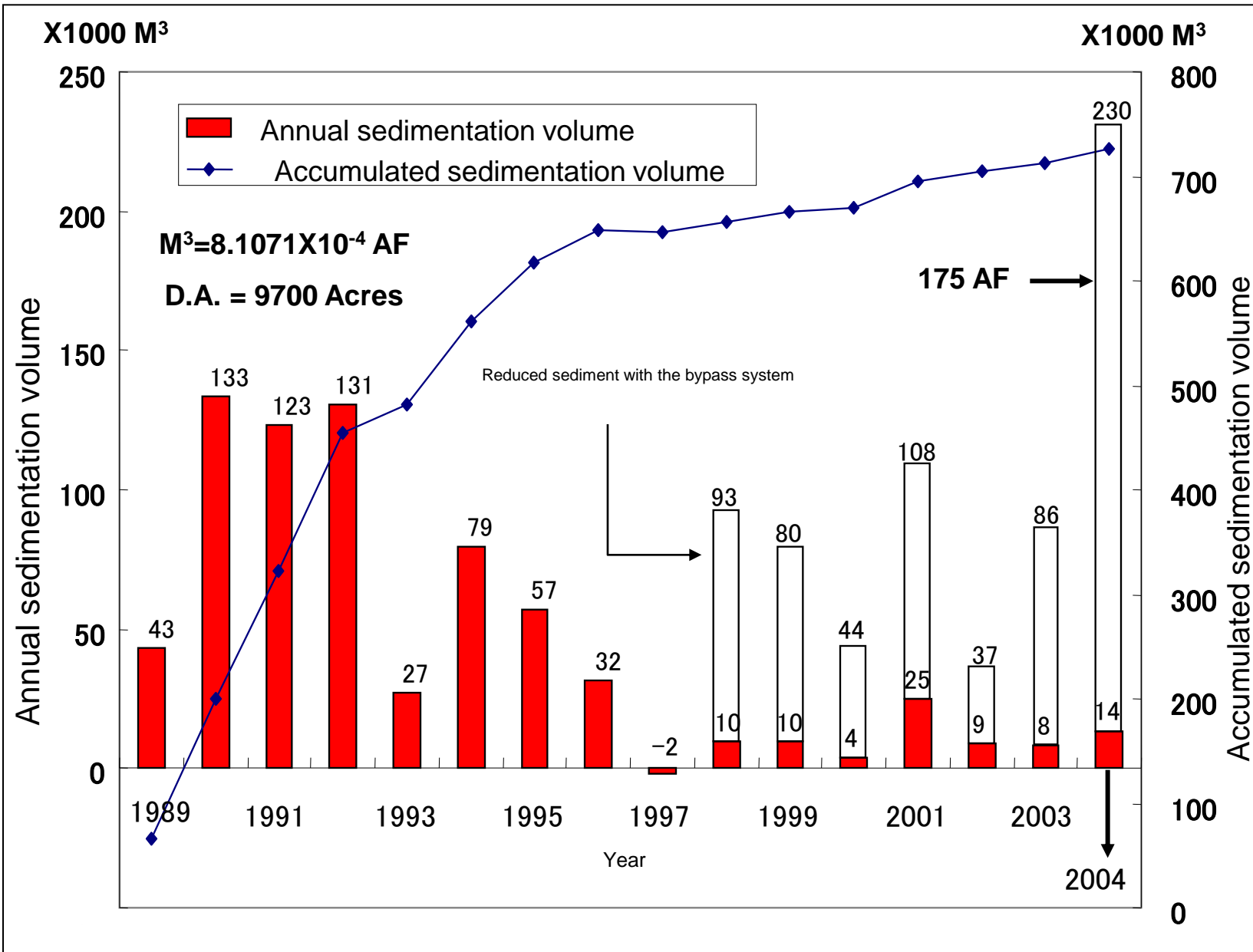
Sediment Bypass System

Before operation



After operation







The sediment bypass system was awarded the technical award of JSCE(Japan Society of Civil Engineers) 1999 for its high technology.

- Questions and Answers