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EROSION RISK ANALYSES ON THE VODNO MOUNTAIN AND IMPACT TO THE SURROUNDING AREAS

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Introduction

Climate change Increase of rainfall intensity Increase of temperatures Forest die-back Increased risk of forest fires Increased risk of erosion

RISK ASSESSMENT METHODOLOGY

Two approaches exist in risk assessment: based on **historical data** about different events (intensity and damages)

 Risk assessment refers to the quantification of a risk. It requires a determination of both the consequences of an event and the likelihood of its occurrence

$RISK = P \times S$

 P - Probability of a Particular Hazard Occurring
 S - Severity of the Outcome When the Hazard or Associated Event Occurs (Damages)

The **proneness** approach in case where there is no historical data

- Assessment according to the proneness of the area to appearance of any event (e.g. torrent flash flood – precipitation intensity probability, land cover, geology, slope, soil type, structural measures etc.)
- <u>Actual (current)</u>
- <u>Potential Risk</u> (what>if scenario)





Study area



Basic dataset



Park-forest Vodno and neigbourhood - DEM



Soil types - Vodno



Aims

 The aim of this study is:
 To create GIS-model for assessment erosion and torrential risk based on the methodologies of Gavrilovic

Erosion Risk was assessed as:
Actual risk (based on present situation)
Potential risk (scenario was created for a hypothetic situation i.e. to back to the period before 50')

Multi criteria soil erosion hazard mapping

The soil erosion was estimated according the modified methodology of Gavrilovic, Erosion Coefficient – Z (0 to 1.5 - low to high)

Criteria:

- Slope (extracted from DEM)
- Land cover/use
- Structural measures
- Soil and geology type
- Erosion types





♦ Actual risk

Erosion risk maps of the working area



Chained hazardous events

Actual erosion risk

Potential erosion risk after fire or

Conclusions

- Current erosion risk is low Z=0.37
 Potential erosion risk is high Z = 0.78
- Few parts of the city of Skopje : Taftalidze, Kozle, Kapistec, Centar, Kisela Voda, Pripor, Usje where the torrents 7, 8, 10, 12,13,14 pass have large erosion risk and possible damages from the torrents that originate from the Vodno Mountain.

The catchments No.: 15 and 16 are also significant because a large residential area "Soncev grad - Sun city" is planned there and having in mind the large construction work which is planned there, this area should be taken into consideration.

Recommendations

We are obliged to : Protect the forest; Clean up the existing channels; Extract illegal bans Potential Erosion risk is high and we are obligated to protect the environment and citizens of Skopje and neighboring settlements.

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