

ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT IN MOUNTAIN AREAS



BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSIO-CHEMICAL IMPACTS WATER









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All the information for the characterization of this environmental component come from bibliographic data and from hydraulic and hydrogeologycal researches executed for project, and even less from field data collected during the field inspection.

Once characterized the area and defined every single river, watercourse and water-bed we can provide to identify more sensible areas (flood areas, high permeability areas, karst areas) and more significative impacts whether during construction or during operation.







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- Change in the streamflow;
- Direct interference with water-courses;
- Change in water quality;
- Change in percolation;
- Direct interference with water-bed;
- Change in piezometric level of the water-bed;
- Change in water quality of the water-bed.







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• Change in the streamflow

These effects can be due to the felling of plants, changing in plants cover of the ground, changing in permeability of the ground, and changing of the slope

• Direct interference with water-course

We can have a direct interference with a water-course when, during construction, for example, we build a ford in the watercourse







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• Change in water quality

Oil spill during construction near or in the water-course (bridge), oil spill in a construction site with waterproof surface and drainage water equipment

• Change in percolation

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- Direct interference with water-bed
- Change in piezometric level of the water-bed
- Change in water quality of the water-bed

Underground structures (like tunnel) can cause direct interference with water-bed and changing in piezometric level (raising with barrier effect and drawdown with drainage effect) particularly in alluvial plains and alluvial cones;

Excavation operations cause loss of lithologic cover over the water-bed with contemporary loss of the self depuration capability of the percolation;

The construction of underground structures (like tunnel) in karst unit with high permeability, determine new fractures system that will cause an increase of the permeability of the karst system and new drainage ways with changing (reduction) in the capacity of the water-bed to store up percolation.







BIOLOGICAL AND PHYSIO-CHEMICAL IMPACTS Water – Critical areas

• <u>Alluvial cone</u>

Presence of superficial waterbed;

Presence of water-course with high flow;

High permeability









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- <u>Alluvial valley</u>
- Presence of superficial water-bed;
- Presence of water-course with variable flows;
- High permeability;
- Presence of flood areas









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• <u>River / water-course</u>

Changing in flow;

Changing in slope;

Changing in water quality









Here we have some examples of mitigation measures for environmental component "Water" and some examples of environmental restoration for water course:

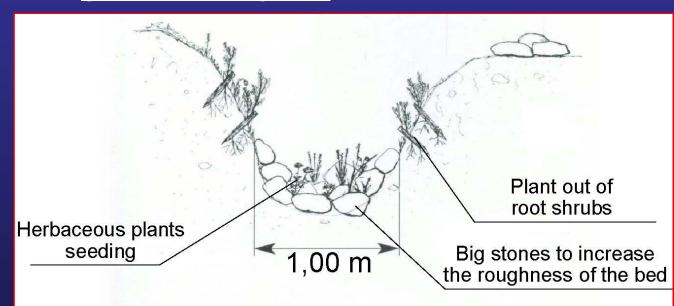
- green stones gutter;
- logs and stones dam;
- green bleachers.







green stones gutter



Scale 1:20

APPLICATIONS:

For catchwater drains on the boundary of the construction site or in definitive configuration







green stones gutter



BENEFITS:

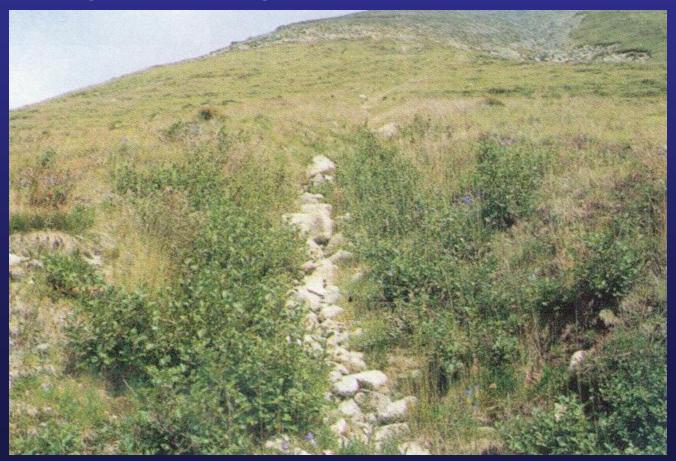
The benefits resulting from the application of this type of mitigation are represented by an immediate reduction of the erosive action of the water and by a pleasant environmental insertion of the hydraulic structures







• green stones gutter

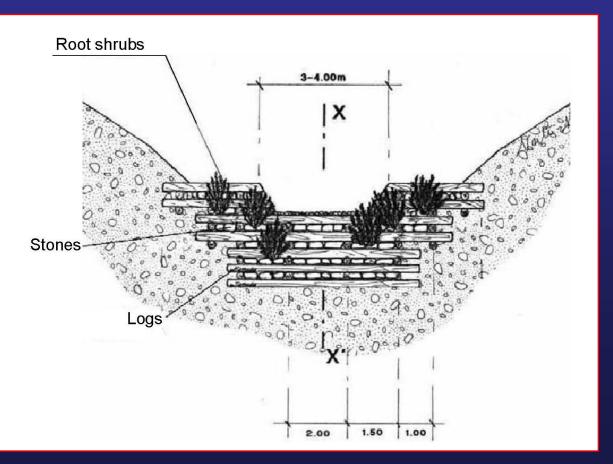








logs and stones dam



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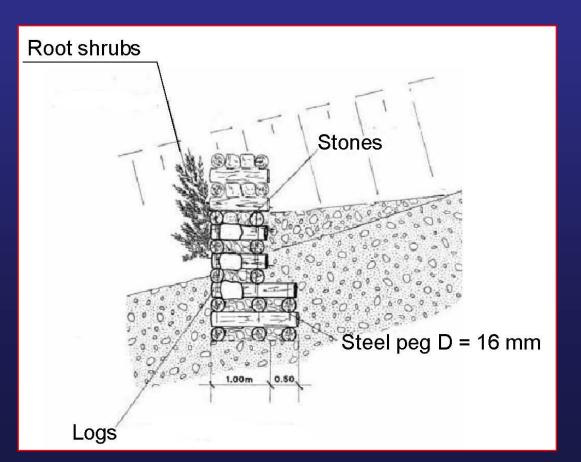
Final settlement of water-course (mitigations and compensations)







• logs and stones dam (section x-x')









logs and stones dam

BENEFIT:

Substitutive works of concrete little dam; They are works that can be built whit logs and stones recovering on site









logs and stones dam

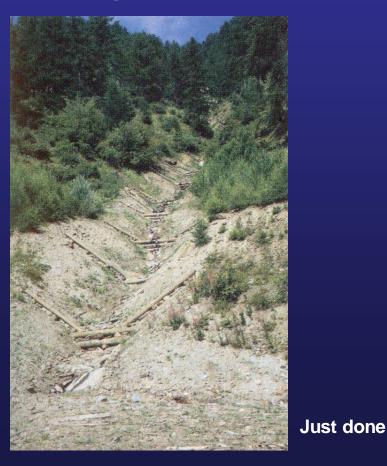


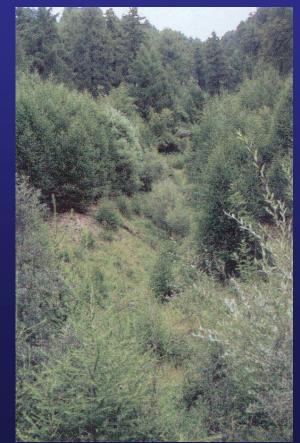






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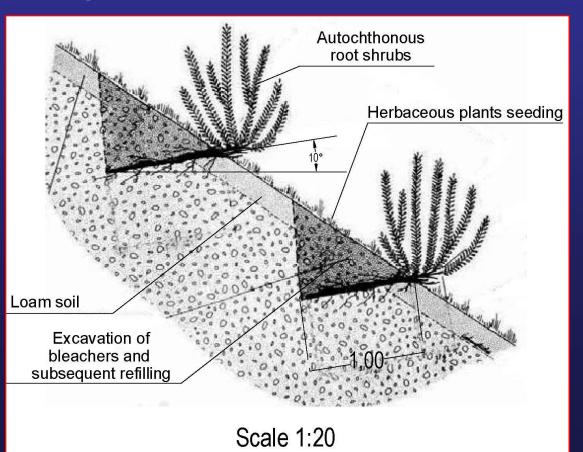
After 10 years







• green bleachers



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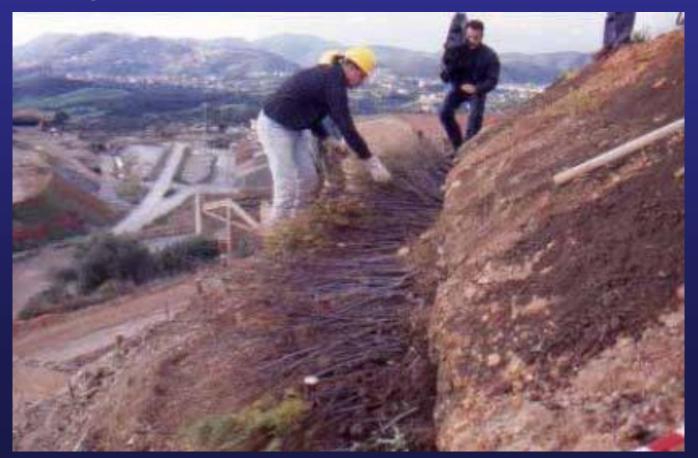
Restoring of bank side of watercourses interfered during the construction







• green bleachers



BENEFITS:

Deep root with drainage effect;

Reduction of the erosion and creeping;

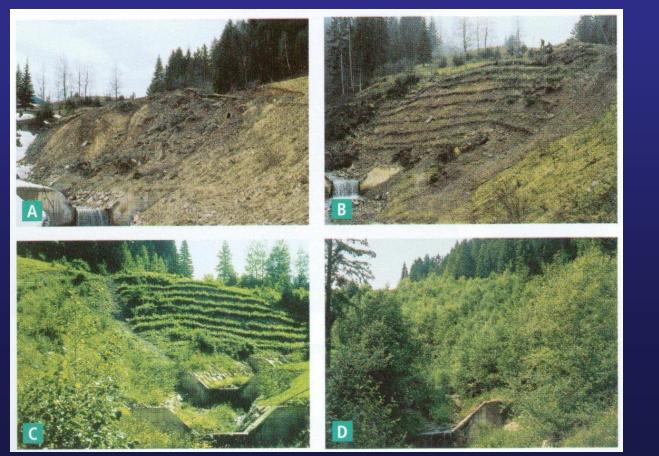
Immediate consolidation of the ground by root shrubs







• green bleachers



- A) Begin conditions
- B) Just done
- C) After 6 months
- D) After 9 years

