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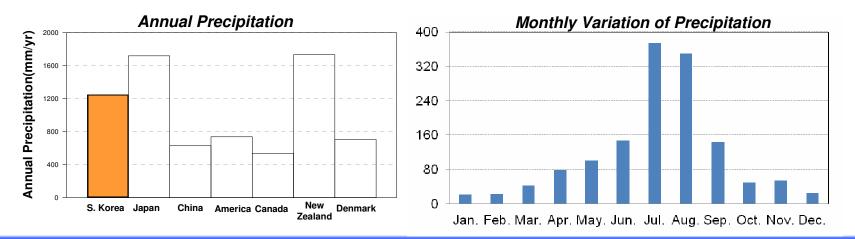
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Water and Flood in Korea

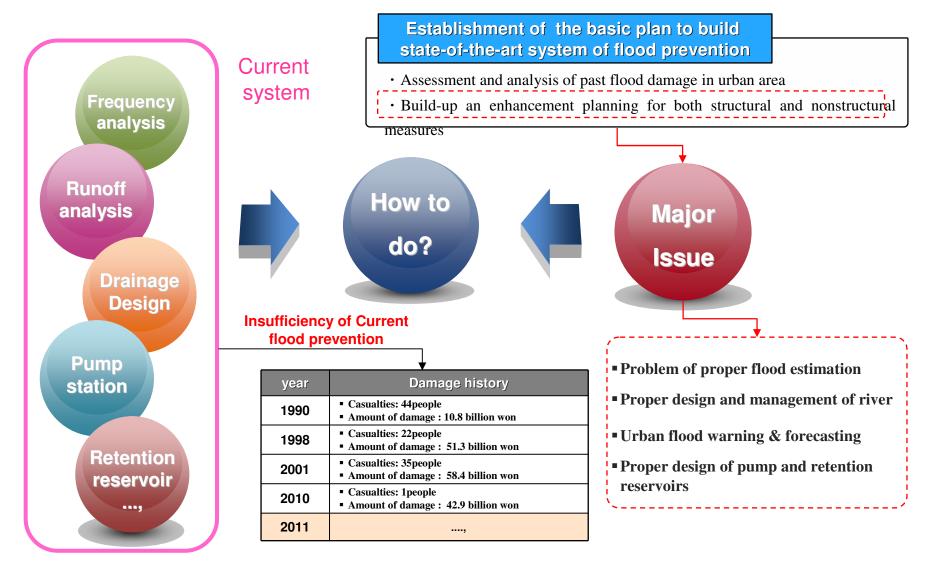
General Info. of Korean Water Resources

- > Mean Annual Precipitation : 1,245mm (World average : 880 mm)
- River regime : 170-330 (Europe : 8-30)
- > 26% of total water resources(33.1 billionm3 / year) are used
- > Korea is classified as a water stress country
- > Two-thirds of annual precipitation is concentrated on summer season.
 - Typhoon and sever rain storm are intensive in rainy season from June to September
 - Life and property damage caused by floods is occurred frequently



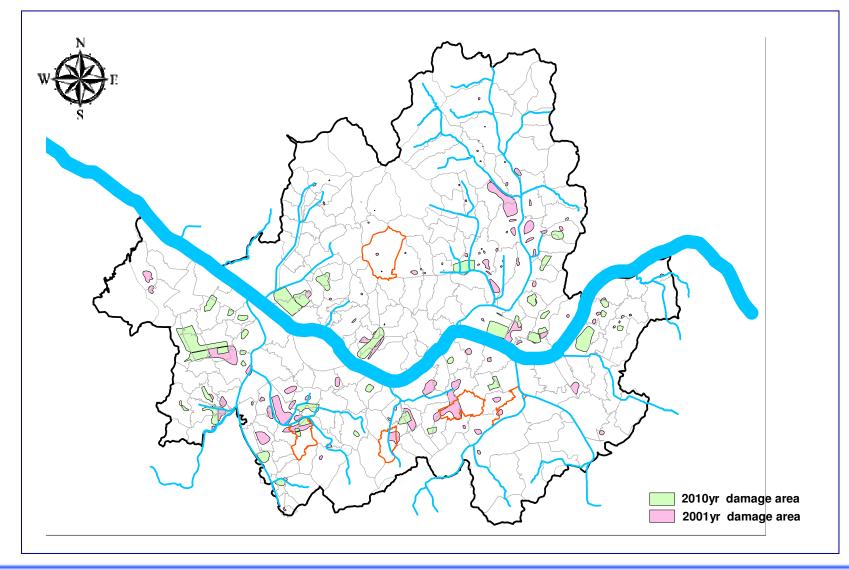


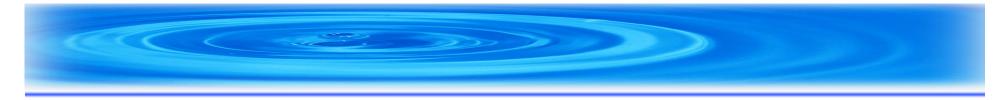
Flood control and management in urban area



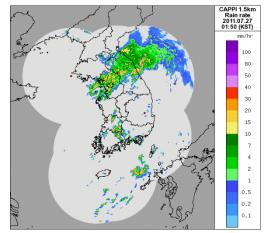


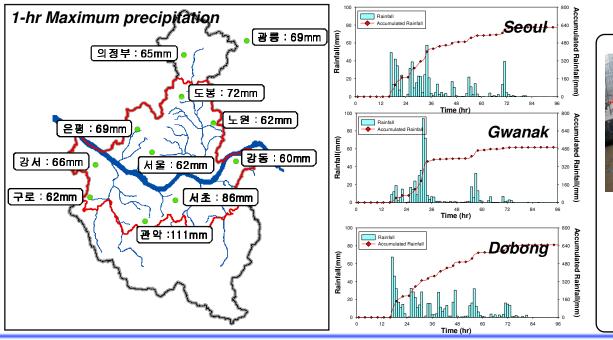
Recent Major Flooding Area in Seoul



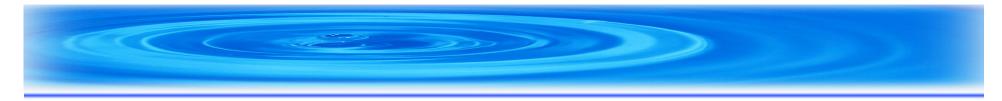


- > July 27, 2011
 - Strong precipitation recorded more than 50mm per hour
 - **Spatial variation of precipitation is high**
 - Maximum rainfall value of the meteorological history is 111 mm/hr which was measured at Gwanak-Gu.
 - Since the Seoul gauge station started to measure rainfall, the total rainfall for three days is over 40% of the annual average rainfall



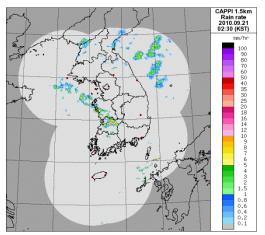


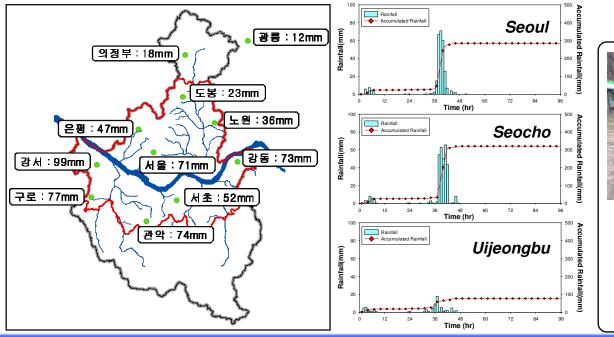




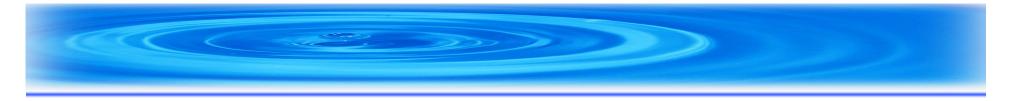
> September 27, 2010

- Spatial variation of precipitation is high in North and South-west of Seoul area
- I-hr maximum precipitation 99mm/hr (Seocho stn.) is the highest in Seoul area
- Maximum hourly rainfall of Seoul station greatly exceeded in capacity of 10 year frequency which is design standard of sewer system.
- The total rainfall for 14hr of Seoul, Seocho and Gangseo-gu is over 19% of the average annual rainfall

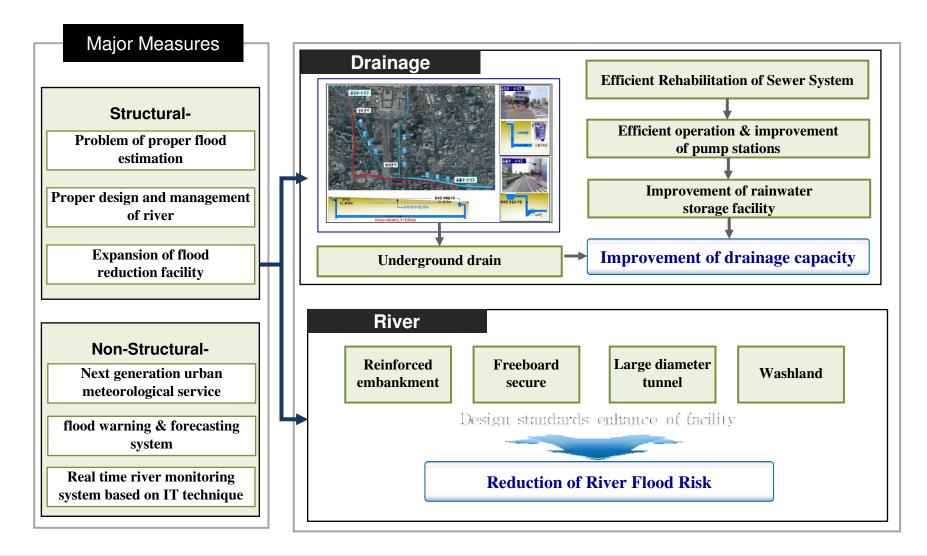








Various Measures for Flood Prevention



The 4 Major Rivers Restoration Project

Original Project

> Kyung-bu Canal System Connecting the Han River and the Nakdong River



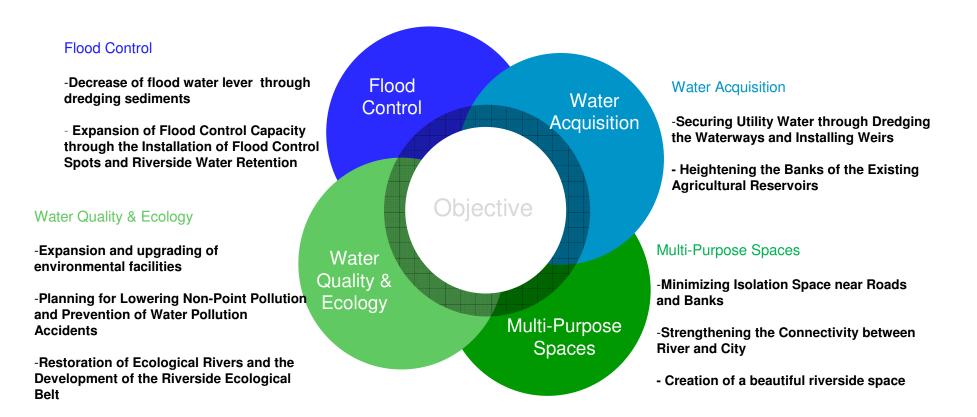
Main Facilities

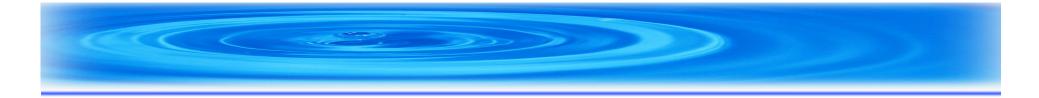
- Waterway Length : 540km
- Natural River : 500kmManmade River : 40km
- (26km tunnel included)
- Canal Dam : 16
 - New : 12
 - Existing : 4
- Lock Gate : 19
- Water supply facility for navigation
 Tunnel : 10km
 Dam : 2

- Facilities Replacement - Bridge Rebuilding :
- Bridge Kebul 14
 - (total: 115)
 - Drop Structure : 146
 - Eco-friendly River Creation
 - Intake Facility Improvement
 - Road Movement
- Cargo Terminal : 12

The objective of 4 Major Rivers Restoration Project

Fundamental measures against frequent flooding and drought disasters incurred as a result of climate change

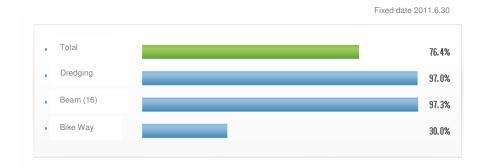


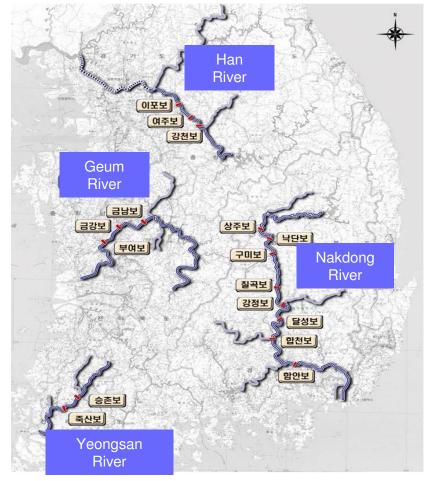


Main Activities

Activities	Total	Han river	Nakdong river	Geum river	Yeongsanri ver
Dredging	5.7 billionm	0.5	4.4	0.5	0.3
Beam	16	3	8	3	2
Bank revetment	377km	75	214	71	17
Dam, Reservior	5	-	3	-	2

Current States







Expectations

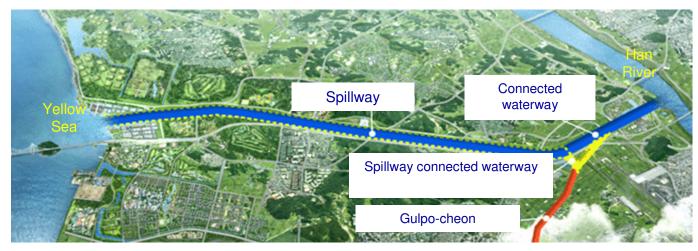
- > Resolving water shortage and flood issues fundamentally
- Developing a healthy water eco-system through water quality improvement and river restoration project
- > Enhancing the standards of community leisure and quality life
- Boosting local economics through the green new deal project



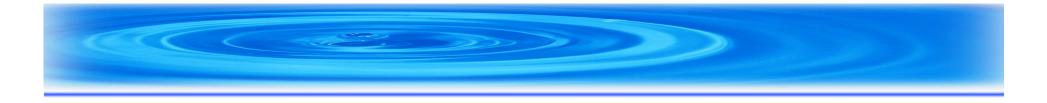
Gyeong-In ARA Waterway

Project Overview

- The Gulpocheon basin has sustained huge flood damage because 40% of its area is low-lying.
- > Serving as both an ordinary waterway and as a spillway during flooding.
- The Gyeong-In ARA Waterway, spanning 18km, being South Korea's first ecofriendly inland waterway connecting the Han river with the Yellow sea.



Completed Date. 2011.10



Expectations

- > Preventing flood damage
- > Ensuring eco-friendly, innovative logistics
- Creation of water-friendly cultural spaces
- > Vitalization of the regional economics





Cheong-Gye Cheon Restoration Project

Backgrounds

- > The Cheong-gye cheon used to be a naturally formed stream.
- In 1968, the stream was covered with concrete with highway to solve urban traffic problems.
- There were hundreds of thousands of vehicles passing through the covered stream and the elevated highway.
- > The area eventually became the busiest and noisiest sector in Seoul.
- In the 1990s, it came to be regarded as a source of intense traffic, health and environmental issues



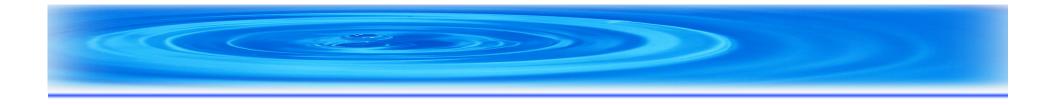
Objectives

- > Restoration of a natural environment and enhancement of the quality of life
- Restoration of history and culture
- Creation of future-oriented urban environment

Expectation

- > Significance of restoring an urban environment centered on a stream
- > Balanced and sustainable development of areas both in south and north of the Han river
- > Urban traffic focusing on pedestrians and public transportation means





> Korea has long history of precipitation and water level measurements





Thank you