# Åtgärder på läckande dammar i Australien

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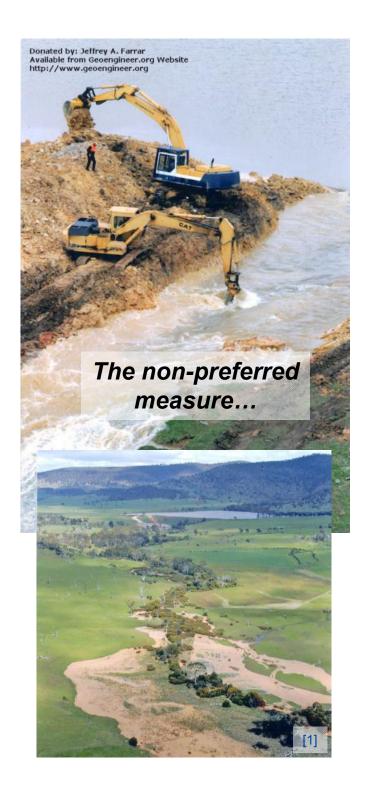
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## Diaphragm walls - Hinze Dam

#### → Dam details

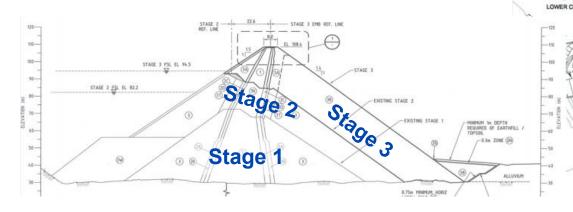
 Zoned earth and rockfill embankment, 80m high, 1700m long, built 1976, raised 1989 (Stage 2) and again raised in 2010 (Stage 3) by 15m

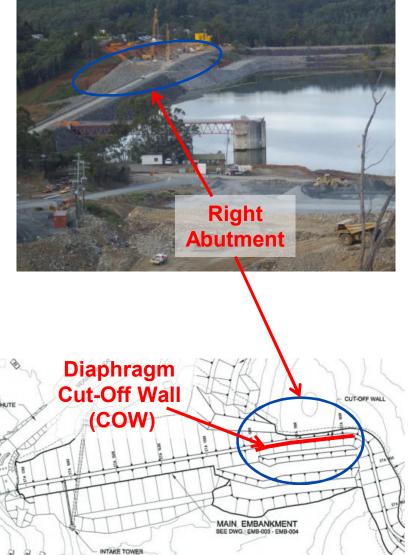
#### → Major defect & failure mode

 Complex geology on right abutment; deep weathering up to 40m deep and highly permeable

 High risk of internal erosion and piping in the right abutment foundation

 Foundation piezometric pressures impacting embankment stability



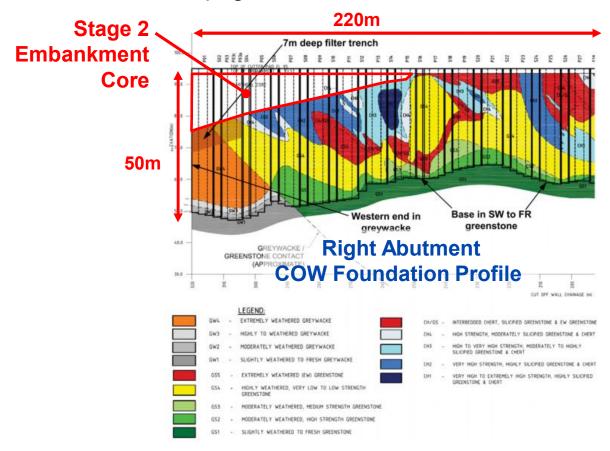


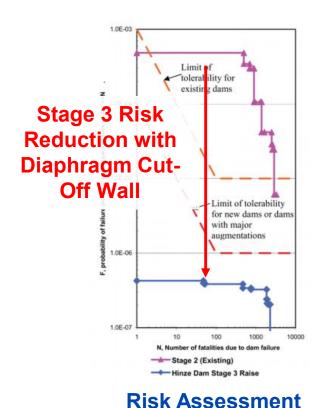
Plan - Stage 3

## Diaphragm walls - Hinze Dam (cont.)

#### → Right Abutment Foundation

- Extensive foundation grouting performed during Stage 2; does not provide an effective cut-off to seepage
- Highly varied weathering and strength (UCS up to 160MPa)
- Direct seepage connection to the reservoir through the foundation





## Diaphragm walls – Hinze Dam (cont.)

#### → Upgrade Measure

- 220m long and up to 53m deep Cut-Off Wall into Foundation and partly Stage 2 Embankment Core
- Cut-Off Wall Design <u>Plastic Concrete</u>
  - 47 panels, 0.8m thick wall, constructed in alternating sequence of primary (7m wide) and secondary panels (2.8m wide, overcut)
- Technical requirements for plastic concrete
  - Strength between 2MPa and 4MPa
  - Ductile stress-strain properties to accommodate differential stresses and deformation without cracking
  - Low permeability (<1\*10<sup>-9</sup> m/s)

 Cement and bentonite concrete mix, typically 6-8hours to pour a primary panel









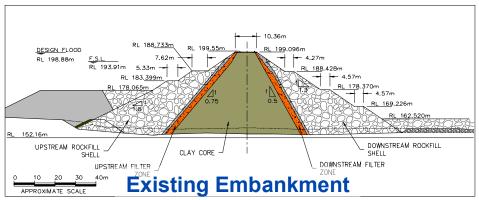
### Filter Buttresses - Crest

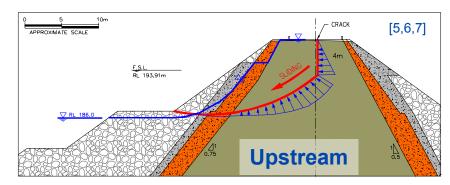
#### → Dam details

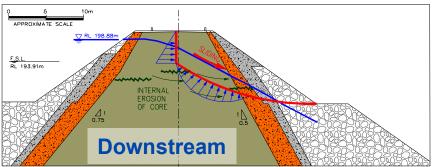
Central core earth- and rockfill,
47m high, 700m long, built 1962

#### → Major defect & failure mode

- Large differential settlement between the core and the rockfill shoulders; longitudinal cracking, water infiltration/softening of core
- Upstream instability
- Downstream instability and piping (dirty, cohesive filters)





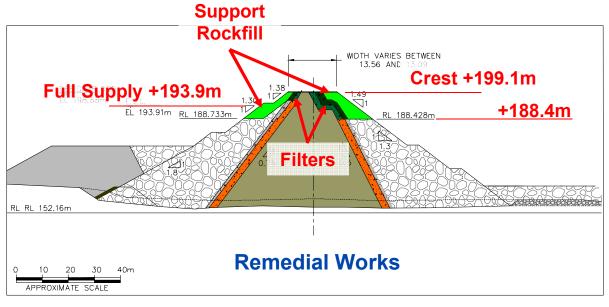




## Filter Buttresses - Crest (cont.)

#### → Upgrade Measure

 Re-construction of upstream and downstream upper rockfill shoulders, including new filters











### **Embankment Reconstruction**

#### → Dam details

 Central core earth- and rockfill, 43m high, built 1967

#### → Major defect & failure mode

 Piping incident in glacial fill against spillway wall (1968); poor filters

#### → Upgrade Measure

- Removal and rebuilding of the upper 7m of the embankment
- Reconstructing the embankment from crest to foundation adjacent to the central spillway walls

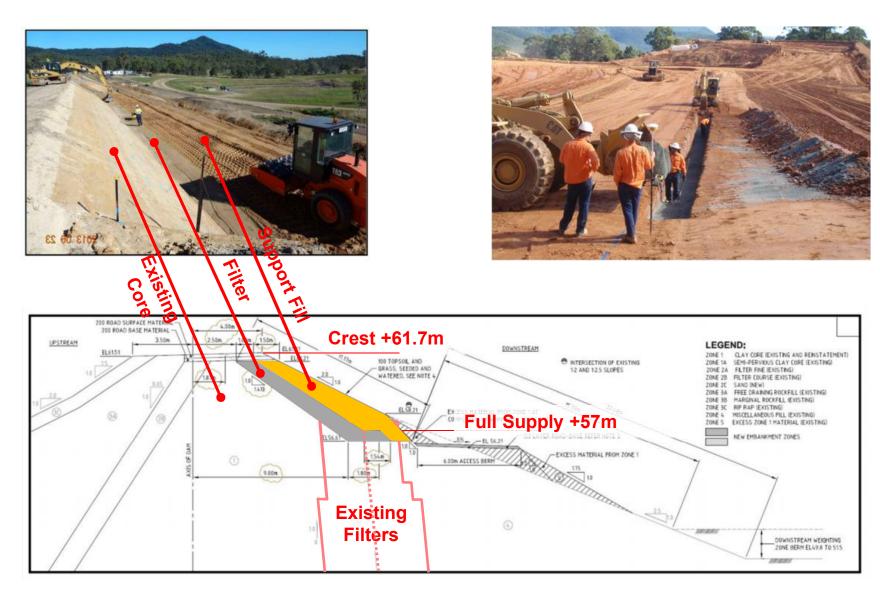








## Filter Trenches & Extensions



## Deep-Soil Mixing (DSM)

#### → Dam details

 Zoned earthfill, 17m high, 450m long, built 1911, raised 1986

#### → Major defect & failure mode

- 10m deep alluvial soils foundation
- Sands susceptible to liquefaction under earthquake loading

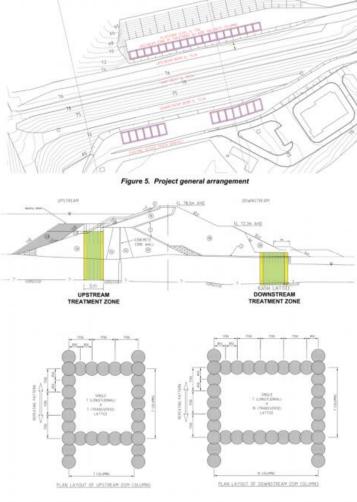
### → Upgrade Measure (seismic)

 Deep-soil mixing to strengthen foundation; grout cement and bentonite mix







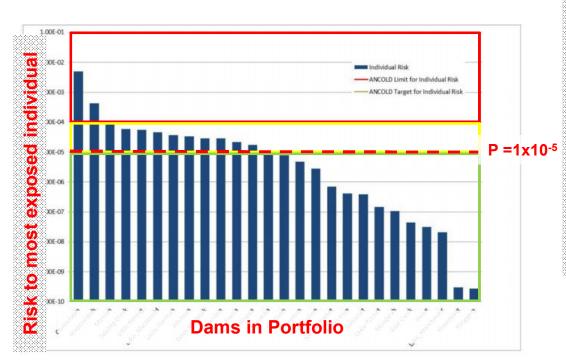


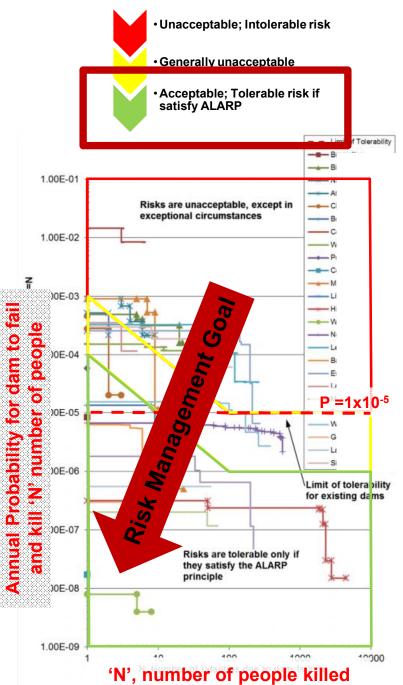


### How are decisions made?

#### → Quantitative risk assessment

- Priority and urgency through portfolio risk assessment
- Review safety of individual existing dams
- Assess public risk during dam construction
- Determine the need for individual dam safety improvement projects









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