

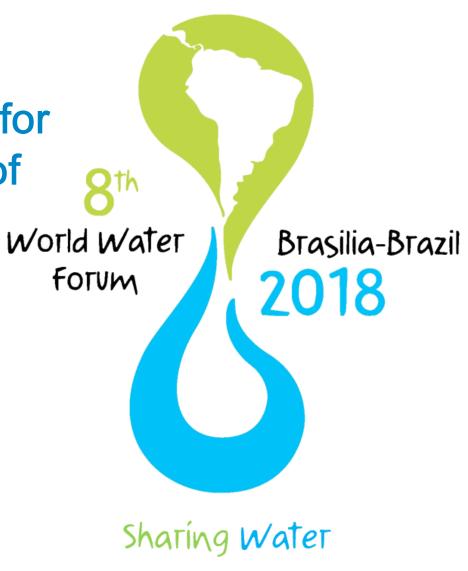


Effective and Sustainable Design for Water-Wise Cities: Case studies of Korea

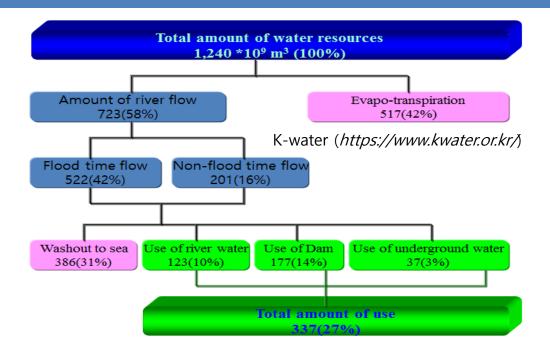
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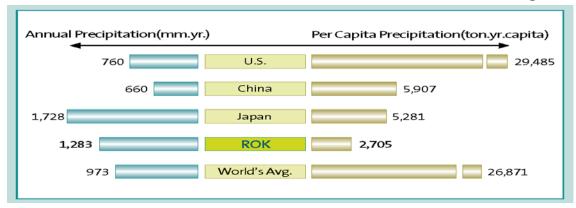
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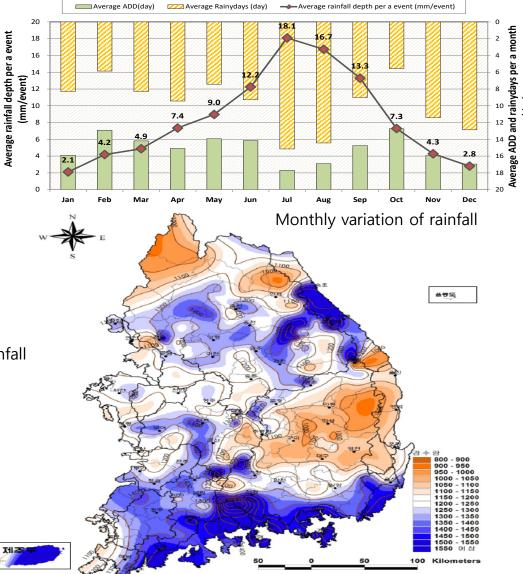


## Water resources in Korea



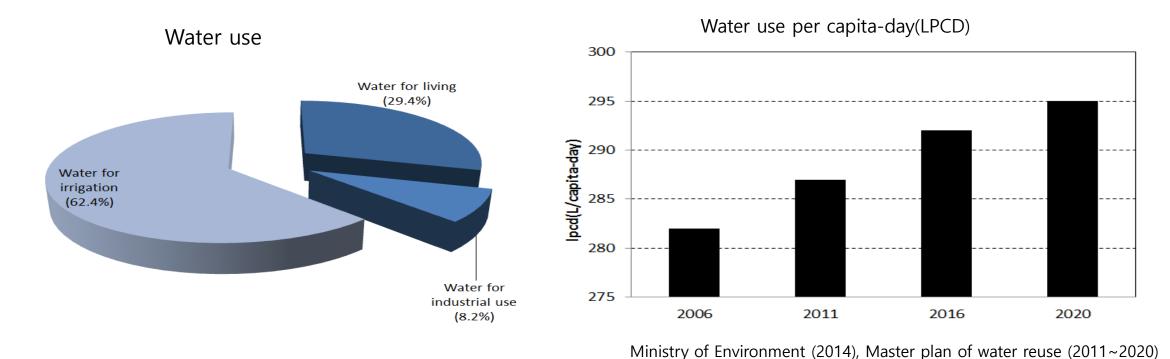






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## Water use

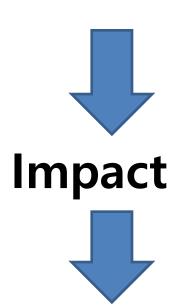


Ministry of Environment (2014), Statistics of sewerage

 Water is not a sufficient resource in Korea because of high population density, small national territory with steep slope, seasonal variation of rainfall, high use of irrigation water, ecological waters, etc. → We needs more water sources

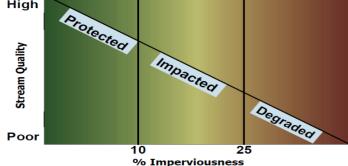
# Impact of urbanization

• Conventional urban development: reduce green spaces / change natural water circulation system by increasing pavement / Increase air temperature by energy consumption



- Flooding
- Drought
- Air and water pollution
- Heat problems
- Sink hole









• **New urban development:** increase green spaces → needs more waters for watering of gardens and plants / decreases the groundwater table

# Solution: water-wise cities

(for Ecosystem Services of Supporting, Provisioning, Cultural, Regulating services)

# Changes of urban environment



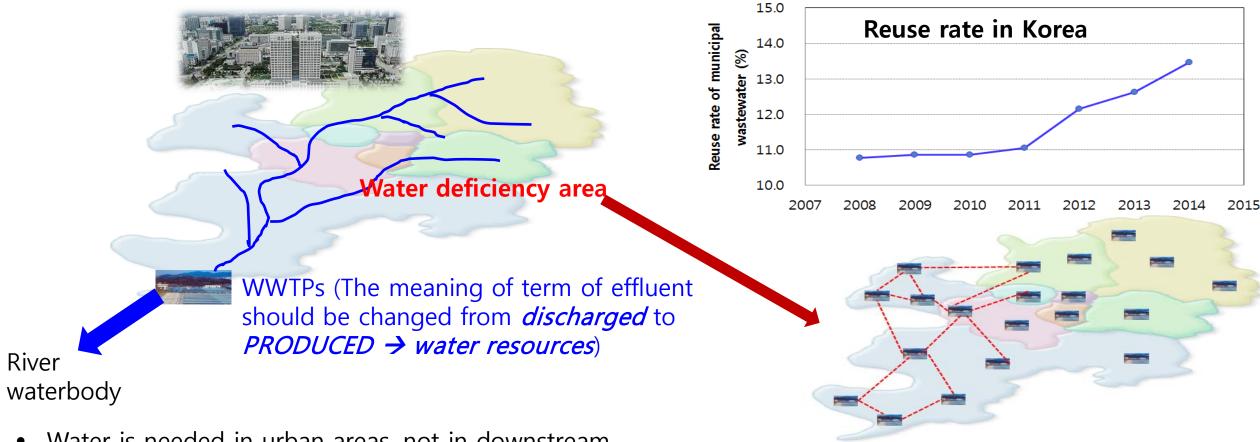




# Reuse is important in urbanized area.

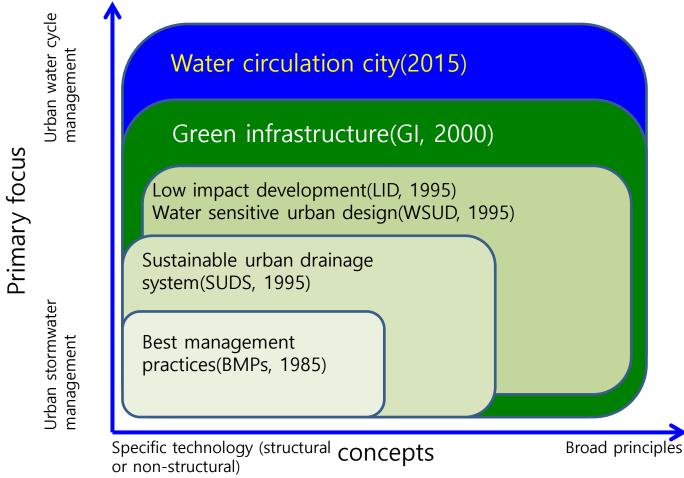
- New urban design needs more waters for ecological use(watering for landscaping, fountain waters, cleaning waters, stream waters for ecological use, etc).
- No enough waters in urban areas except the portable water.

## **New water resources: Reuse and Rainfall**



- Water is needed in urban areas, not in downstream.
- However, it is very difficult to reuse of treated effluent waters from WWTPs because it is located in the most downstream.
- For Reuse → Decentralized WWTPs for wastewaters
- For Rainfall → LID(Low Impact Development) implementation with high infiltration, retention and evapotranspiration of rainfall

# Progress of urban water management



#### • Low impact development (LID)

- Describes a land planning and engineering design approach to manage stormwater runoff
- Emphasizes conservation and use of on-site natural features to protect water quality

#### • Green infrastructure (GI)

- A network providing the components for solving urban and climatic challenges by building with nature.
- Main components include stormwater management, climate adaptation, less heat stress, more biodiversity, food production, better air quality, sustainable energy production, clean water and healthy soils, and so on.

# Main components of water-wise cities in Korea

#### **Water Resources**

- Replenish the underground & ecological use
- Increase the utilization of untraditional water of rainwater & wastewater, etc.

#### **Water Safety**

- Reduce urban flooding, enhance disaster prevention and mitigation
- Water quality safety of tap water & alternative water

Water culture (Livable city)

#### **Water Environment**

- Eliminate the polluted water body
- Reduce point & non-point pollution sources

#### **Water Ecology**

- Protect and restore the water environment
- More urban green spaces and less heat island effect
- Enlarge Green-Blue Network

#### **Nature**

• Learn, follow, utilize, and protect the nature

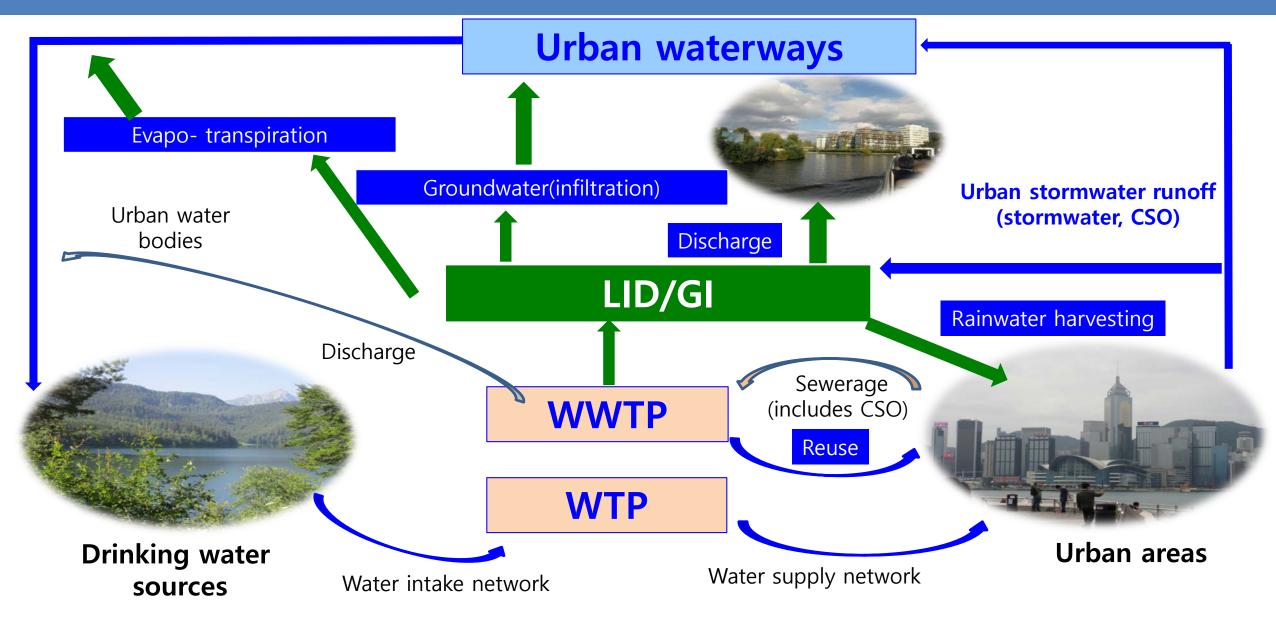
### Cycling

 Water sources, energy recovery, resource recovery, and nutrient cycling.

#### **Function**

 Ecology, purification, landscape, and flood drainage

# Water management in water-wise cities



# Water circulation cities (water-wise cities) in Korea



## Conclusion

- Goal of sustainable ecosystem services: manage water in the city → Water wise city
- Approach for water wise city: Water-Energy-Food nexus
- Technological approaches for water wise cities
  - Decentralized wastewater treatment plants
  - Low Impact Development (LID) and Green Infrastructure (GI)
  - Rainwater harvesting
  - Energy harvesting
  - Urban agricultural harvesting
  - Wastewater reuse
  - Groundwater recharge
  - Sky garden
  - Resource regeneration, etc.







# Water – Energy – Food in Ecosystem Services



**Energy crisis in California in 2000** 



Water crisis in Korea in 2017

#### Food crisis in Ireland between 1845-1852



- Diversification the implementation techniques
- Decentralization of the facilities
- Integration of the management







Organization





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Support





