

**AP22788508. Development of Methodological Approaches for Monitoring Critical Hydraulic Infrastructure in Kazakhstan Using UAVs and Remote Sensing. sc. sp. – Nizametdinov N.F.**

***Relevance***

Hydraulic structures are critical infrastructure facilities, the violation of the integrity of which has the potential to cause serious catastrophic consequences. These accidents can cause significant damage to the population, industrial enterprises, agriculture and existing infrastructure, which in turn negatively affects the country's economy. Thus, it is necessary to focus on preventing accidents and reducing their negative consequences, given the high importance of hydraulic structures.

In 2014-2015, dam failures on reservoirs in the Karaganda region led to the flooding of residential buildings and territories, loss of life, harm to the health of local residents, the environment and agricultural facilities. From 2009 to 2023, there were more than 13 significant cases of dam failures around the world, which were accompanied by a significant number of victims.

Consequently, the scale and relevance of this problem extends beyond the regional level and has an impact on the global context. Currently, special attention is paid to the state of hydraulic structures and water resources in the Republic of Kazakhstan, in connection with which the National Projects “Technological Breakthrough through Digitalization, Science and Innovation” and “Green Kazakhstan” note the priority of digitalization of hydraulic structures for effective management and coordination of their activities.

Monitoring with the use of unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and Earth remote sensing (ERS) data is a cost-effective solution that has no negative impact on the environment and human health, while providing extensive information about the object under study with a high degree of detail in the shortest possible time.

Using the radar interferometry method will provide an area-based, time-differentiated representation of the distribution of vertical displacement values at any point in the area under study and at any point in time preceding the actual date of the survey. Space radar surveys are performed in the ultra-short-wave (ultra-high-frequency) region of radio waves, subdivided into X-, C-, S-, L- and P-bands. For the tasks of monitoring the displacements of the earth's surface, critical objects for each specific territory, data will be selected in one or more of these ranges based on the type of relief, type of vegetation, expected displacement values, etc.

The Gaofen-3 spacecraft is a low-orbit satellite of China that receives in the C-band with resolution of up to 1 m. GF-3 is capable of performing twelve-mode radar survey of the entire earth's surface 24 hours a day, regardless of weather conditions.

The use of high-resolution orthophotoplans and a highly detailed point cloud allows solving engineering-geological and mine surveying-geodetic problems in a complex. High-resolution orthophotoplans provide accurate and prompt identification of deformation zones in embankments, as well as analysis of the nature and mechanisms of their deformation. The use of drones equipped with a high-resolution thermal imaging sensor allows identifying water leaks and cracks.

***Expected and achieved results***

It is proposed to develop methodological approaches for the systematic monitoring of the current state of hydraulic structures using the example of studying the Sherubay-Nura reservoir. In the process of monitoring, advanced means of collecting high-precision geospatial data, such as unmanned aerial vehicles (UAVs) and Earth remote sensing (ERS) materials, will be used.

Using innovative data analysis methods and advanced computational methods, including machine learning and artificial intelligence, forecasting of possible geomechanical processes that may affect the state of hydraulic structures will be carried out. Based on the results of monitoring and data analysis, recommendations will be developed aimed at improving the level of safety,

reliability and uninterrupted operation of critical infrastructure facilities. The developed methodological approaches will reduce the likelihood of catastrophic consequences that can cause damage to enterprises, the population, the environment and agricultural facilities.

The scientific novelty of the project lies in the development of a unique system of digital monitoring of the surface of hydraulic structures, dams and embankments. With the development of information and communication technologies, including such powerful tools as intelligent data analysis (Data Mining), methods of storing and processing big data (Big Data), deep learning (Deep learning), blockchain (Blockchain), the Internet of Things (IoT), analytics of end devices (Edge Analytics), electronic identification of a person (e-ID), Web-scalable IT environments (Web-Scale IT), hybrid clouds (Hybrid cloud), geographic information systems, geospatial data analysis, as well as with the advent of UAVs and the possibility of obtaining satellite data, there have opened up new opportunities for monitoring critical infrastructure facilities in the Republic of Kazakhstan.



**Figure 1** – 3D model of the earth dam of the Sherubay-Nura reservoir



**Figure 2 – Carrying out high-precision leveling of an earthen dam**



**Figure 3 – PowerRay underwater drone**



**Figure 4** – Wingtra One unmanned aerial vehicle

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### ***Information for potential consumers***

Based on the studies conducted in subsequent years of the project implementation, a mathematical model will be developed for predicting probable manifestations of geomechanical processes based on multi-temporal digital models of the studied object using machine learning and artificial intelligence methods, which will allow combining two or more series of measurements performed by UAVs and the remote sensing method to identify hazardous areas characterized by a high probability of deformation processes.

### ***Scope***

Hydraulic structures

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