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1. Landslides Introduction

- ***Mass-Wasting:*** **down slope movement of rock and *regolith* near Earth's surface, mainly due to force of gravity.**
- ***Regolith:*** **unconsolidated rock debris, including the basal soil horizons, overlying bedrock.**
- **The down-slope movement of material, whether bedrock, regolith, or a mixture, is commonly referred to as a *landslide.***

1. Landslides Introduction

- **Mass-wasting important part of *erosional process*.**
  - ***Moves material from higher to lower elevations.***
  - ***Streams and glaciers can then pick up material.***
- **Mass-wasting occurs *all the time* on *all* slopes.**
- **Sometimes slow, sometimes very sudden.**
- **As human populations expand and occupy more and more of the land surface, *mass-wasting processes become more likely to affect humans*.**

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1. Landslides Introduction

Year	*Location*	*Type*	*Fatalities*
1916	Italy, Austria	Landslide	10,000
1920	China	Earthquake triggered landslide	200,000
1945	Japan	Flood triggered landslide	1,200
1949	USSR	Earthquake triggered landslide	12,000–20,000
1954	Austria	Landslide	200
1962	Peru	Landslide	4,000–5,000
1963	Italy	Landslide	2,000
1970	Peru	Earthquake related debris avalanche	70,000
1985	Columbia	Mudflow related to volcanic eruption	23,000
1987	Ecuador	Earthquake related landslide	1,000

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1. Landslides Introduction

- ***Typical year in USA:*** **landslides cause >$1.5 thousand million in damages, 25–50 deaths.**
- ***In other countries*, especially less developed, the loss is usually higher because of:**
  (1) higher population densities
  (2) lack of zoning laws
  (3) lack of information about mass-wasting hazards
  (4) lack of emergency preparedness
- ***Knowledge about relationships between local geology and mass-wasting processes can lead to better planning that can reduce vulnerability to such hazards.***

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Lots of classifications.

Cover ‘rapidly’ here without lots of detail.

Photos/videos excellent for high-school classes.

See ‘notes’ on each slide for links and details.

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.1 Slope Failures

- **Types of SLOPE FAILURES:**

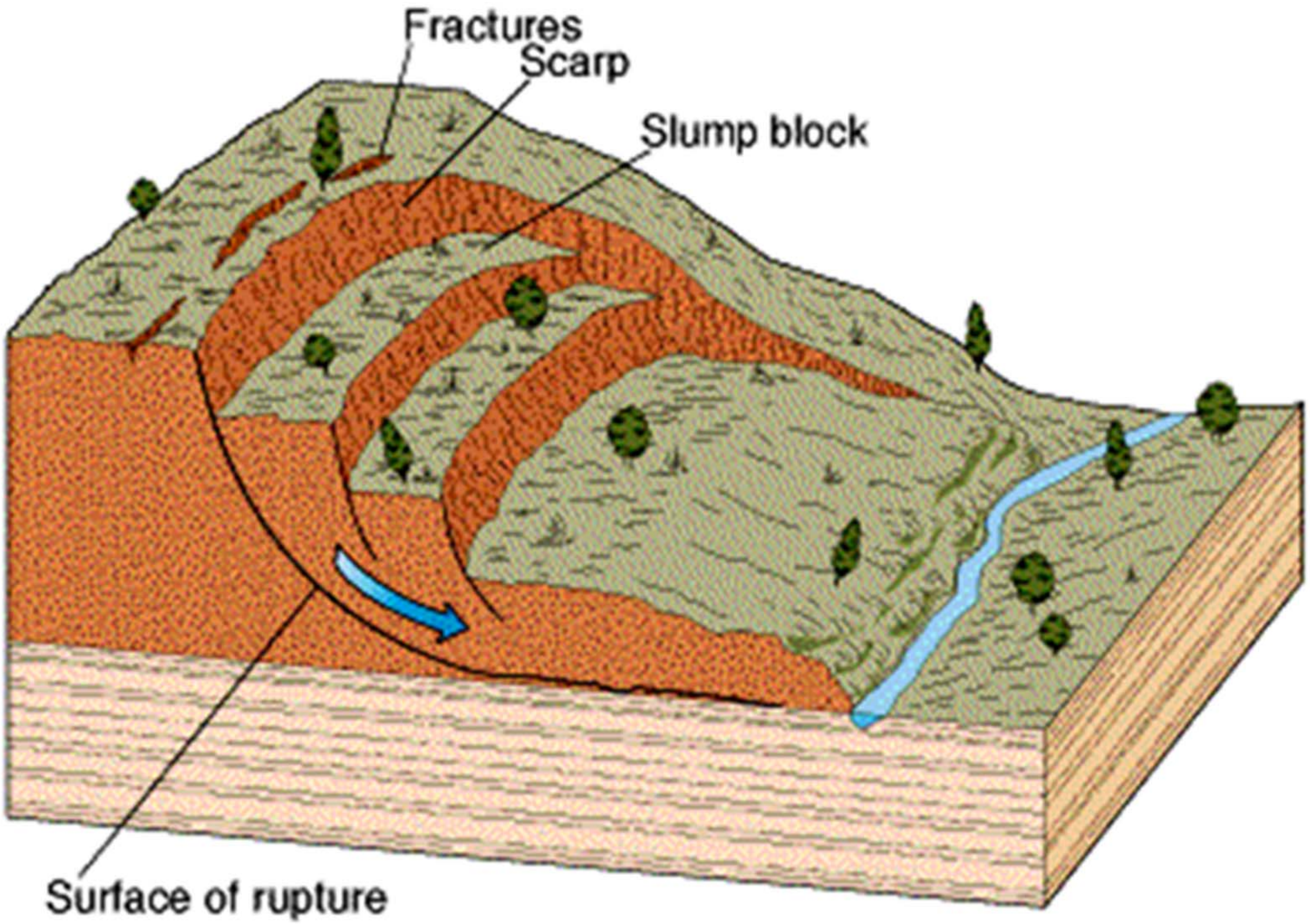
A. *Slumps*

B. *Falls*

C. *Slides*

2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.1 Slope Failures [A. Slumps]



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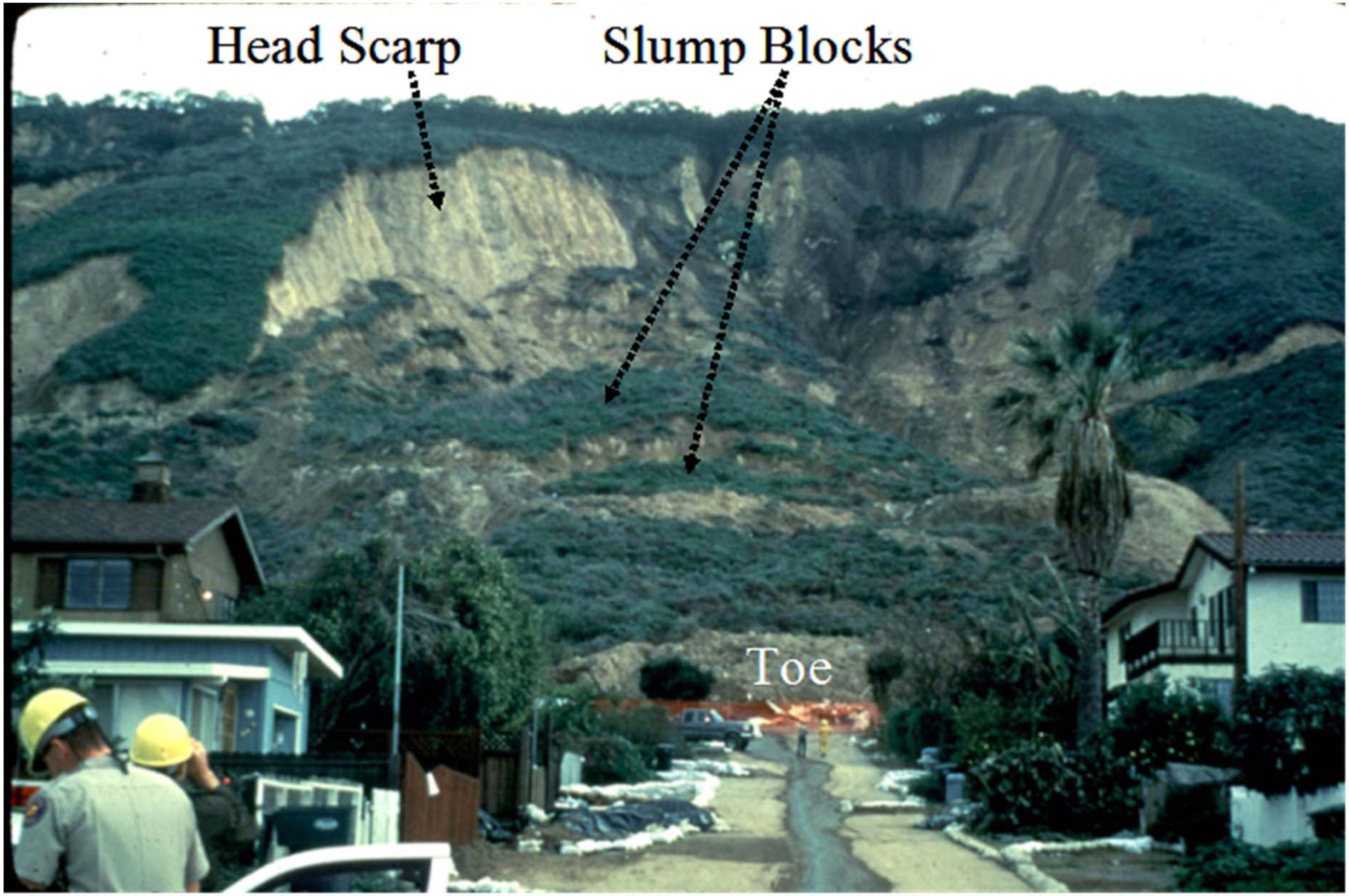

La Conchita, California, 1995 landslide. Photograph RL Schuster (USGS)

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.1 Slope Failures [A. Slumps]

Video showing deep-seated San Mateo slump.

- Occurred in San Mateo County (California), USA, a few days after a 1997 New Year's storm.
- Slump opened a large fissure on the uphill scarp and created a bulge at the downhill toe.
- Movement continued at average rate of a meter per day.
- Uphill side dropped further, broke through a retaining wall, and created a deep depression.
- At the same time the toe slipped out across the road.
- Over 250,000 tons of rock and soil moved in this landslide.
- http://walrus.wr.usgs.gov/elnino/landslides-sfbay/photos.html

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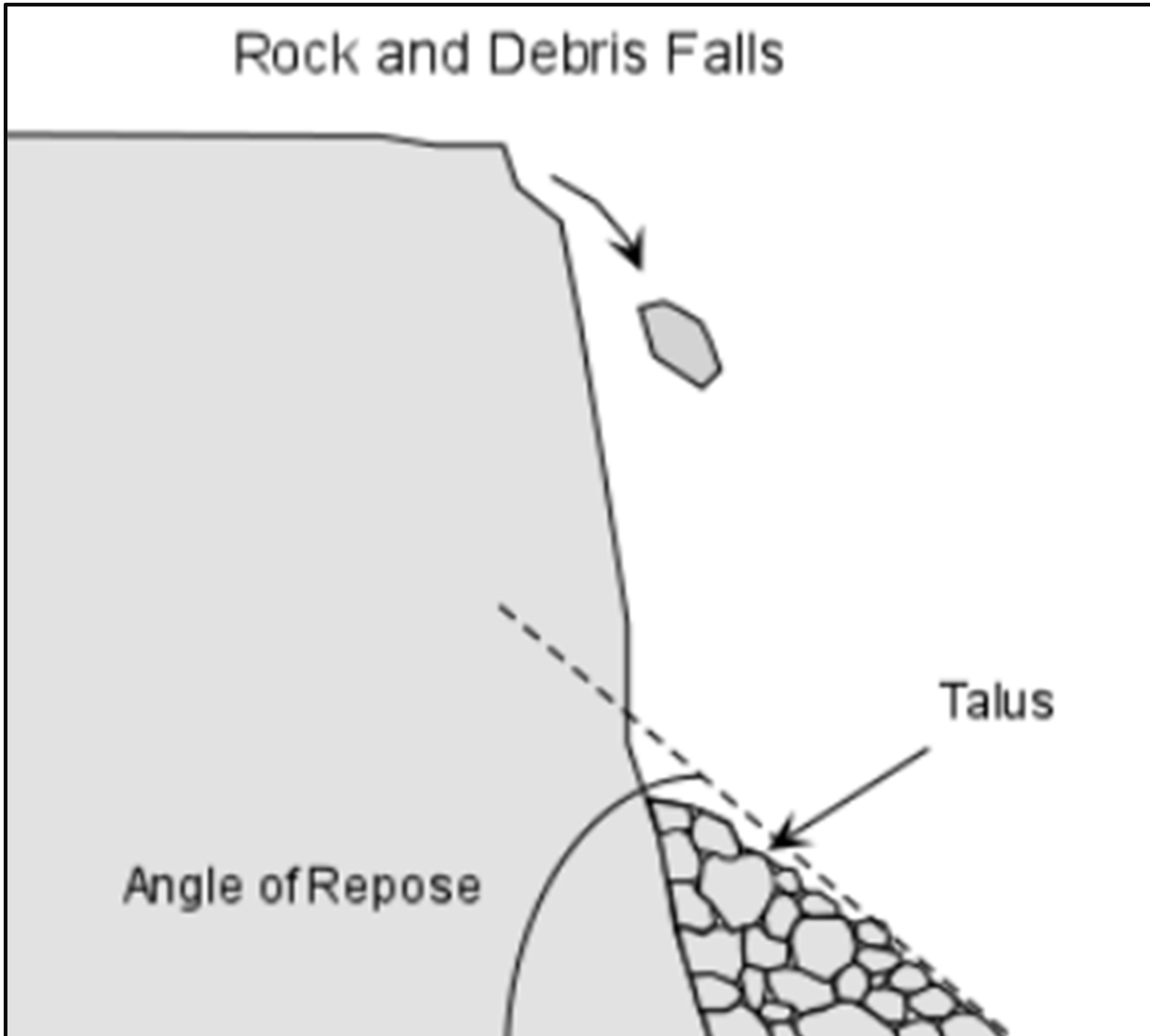

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Rockfall in Fraser Canyon

http://www.nrcan.gc.ca/earth-sciences/products-services/mapping-product/geoscape/vancouver/6321

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2.1 Slope Failures [B. Falls]

Rockfall in 1999. Sacred Falls Park, Oahu
8 deaths and many injuries

Jibson & Baum (1999) USGS Open File Report 99-364.
http://pubs.usgs.gov/of/1999/ofr-99-0364/

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.1 Slope Failures [B. Falls]

[Next Slide]
Video showing debris fall that occurred on the Sultan River, Oregon, USA on 11 December 2004. Video by Andrew Oberhardt.

http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Qu88wb6gROg

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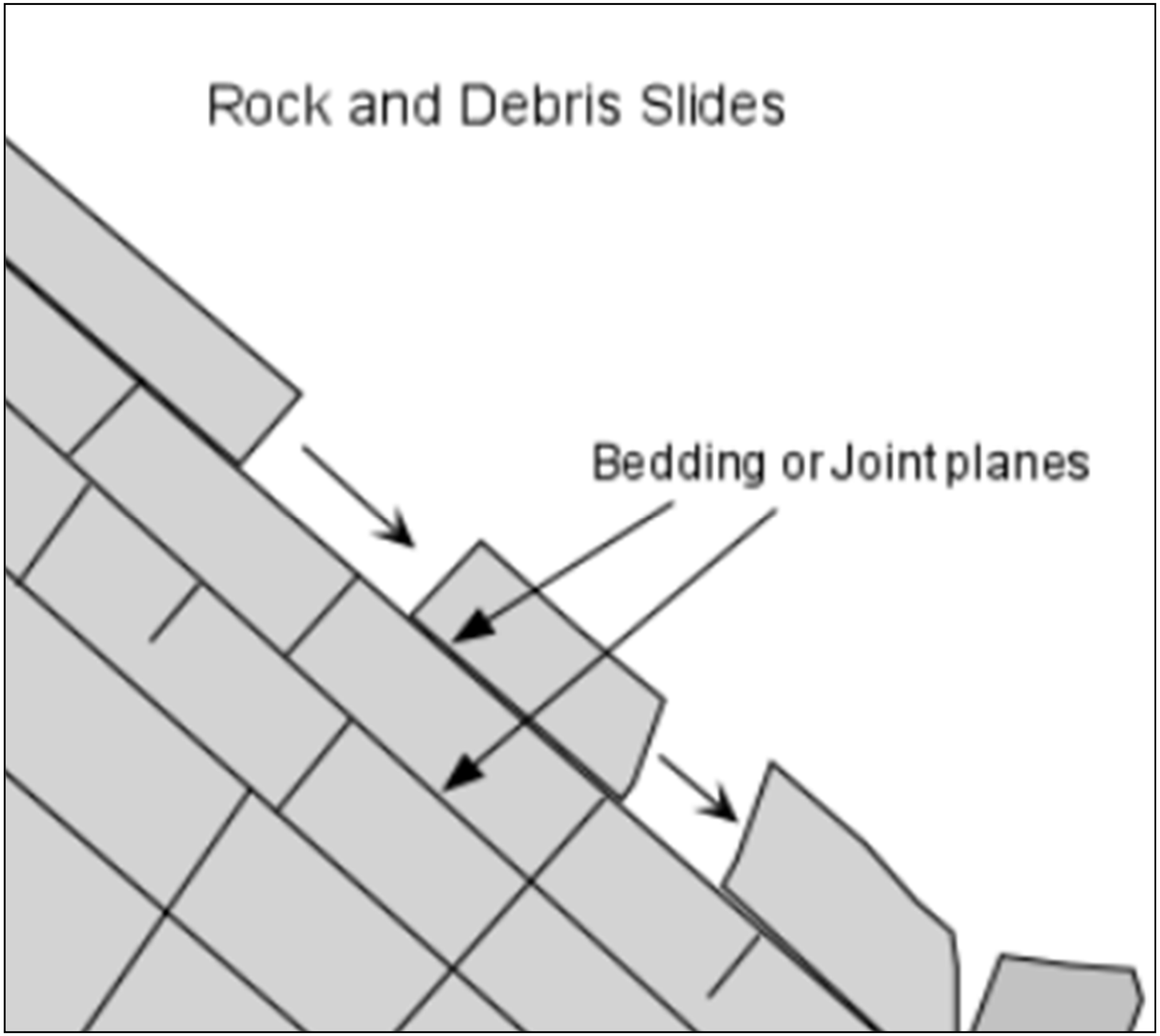

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.1 Slope Failures [C. Slides]

Debris slides in unconsolidated glacial and fluvio-glacial deposits, Puget Sound (Dec 1996)

Triggered by record rainfalls in one week

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.1 Slope Failures [C. Slides]

VIDEO

(next slide, not shown here in entirety due to time, but good for high-school students)

Roto-Translational Slide that EVOLVES into a FLOW

Maierato, Calabria, ITALY; 15 February 2010

No one injured. Slope had several days of preliminary movement, so roads had already been closed off. 2300 people evacuated.

VIDEOS:

http://daveslandslideblog.blogspot.com/2010/02/watch-this-extraordinary-landslide.html

http://daveslandslideblog.blogspot.com/2010/02/update-on-italian-landslides.html

See here for aftermath: http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vJtYTbQecNE&NR=1&

Gattinoni *et al*. (2012) *Landslides*: http://www.springerlink.com/content/43ru3g5082171p45/

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.2 Sediment Flows

- ***Sediment flows*** **occur when sufficient force is applied to rocks and regolith, so they begin to flow down slope.**
- **A sediment flow is a mixture of rock and/or regolith with some water or air.**
- **Sediment flow types** ***(depends on % water present)*****:**

2.2.1 Slurry Flows: 20–40% water present.

As water content increases above 40% slurry flows grade into streams.
Slurry flows are considered water-saturated flows.

2.2.2 Granular Flows: 0–20% water present.

Granular flows are possible with little or no water.
Fluid-like behaviour is given these flows by mixing with air.
Granular flows are not saturated with water.

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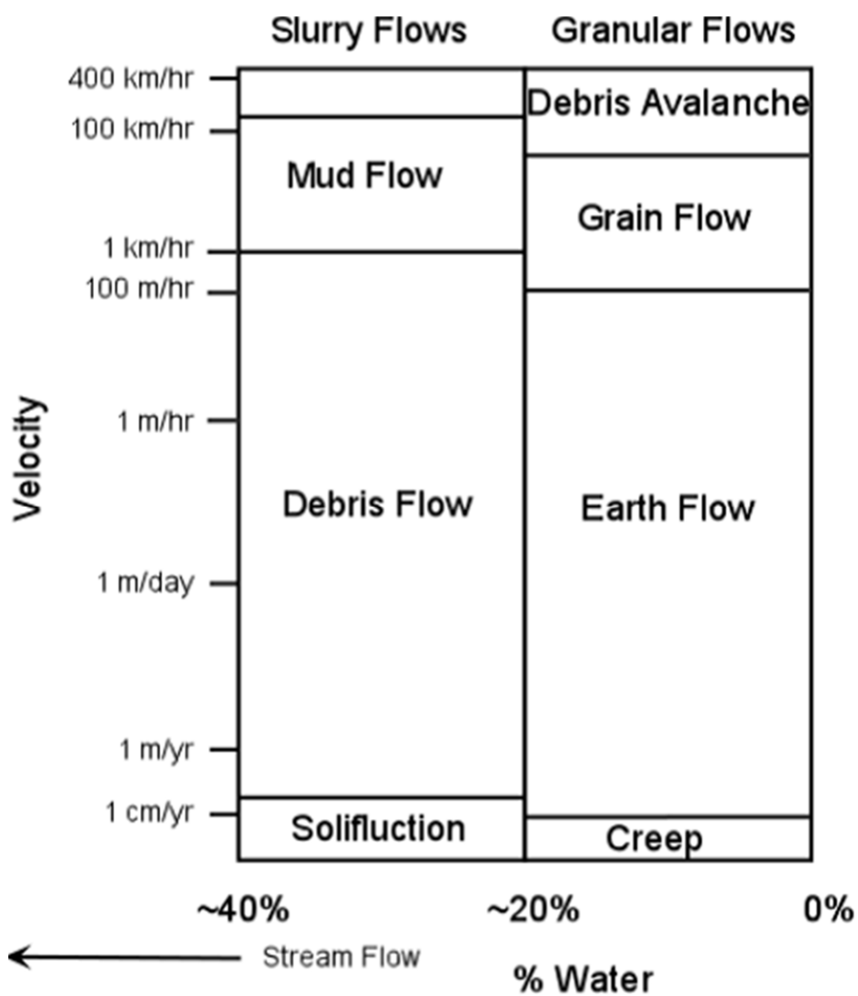
2.2 Sediment Flows

- **Sediment flows can be further subdivided on the basis of the *velocity at which flow occurs.***



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B. Debris Flows

C. Mudflows

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A. Creep

B. Earth Flows

C. Grain Flows

D. Debris Avalanches

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Animated Gif

http://elnino.usgs.gov/landslides-sfbay/photos.html

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2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.2.1 Slurry Flows [B. Debris Flows]

Debris Flow, Caraballeda, Venezuela. December 1999.

USGS Slides at: http://pr.water.usgs.gov/public/venezuela/

2. Types of Mass-Wasting Processes

2.2.1 Slurry Flows

VIDEO

(not show here due to time, but good for high-school students)

Video showing debris or mud flow (some call this is Lahar) that occurred on Mount Rainier in Washington State, USA on 25th June 2011.

http://blogs.agu.org/landslideblog/2011/06/28/video-of-the-week-debris-avalanche-on-mout-rainier/20

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2.2.2 Granular Flows [B. Earth Flows]

Figure 13.19: Smithson *et al.* (2008)

Earth flow, Ellsworth County, USA.
http://www.kgs.ku.edu/Publications/pic13/pic13_2.html

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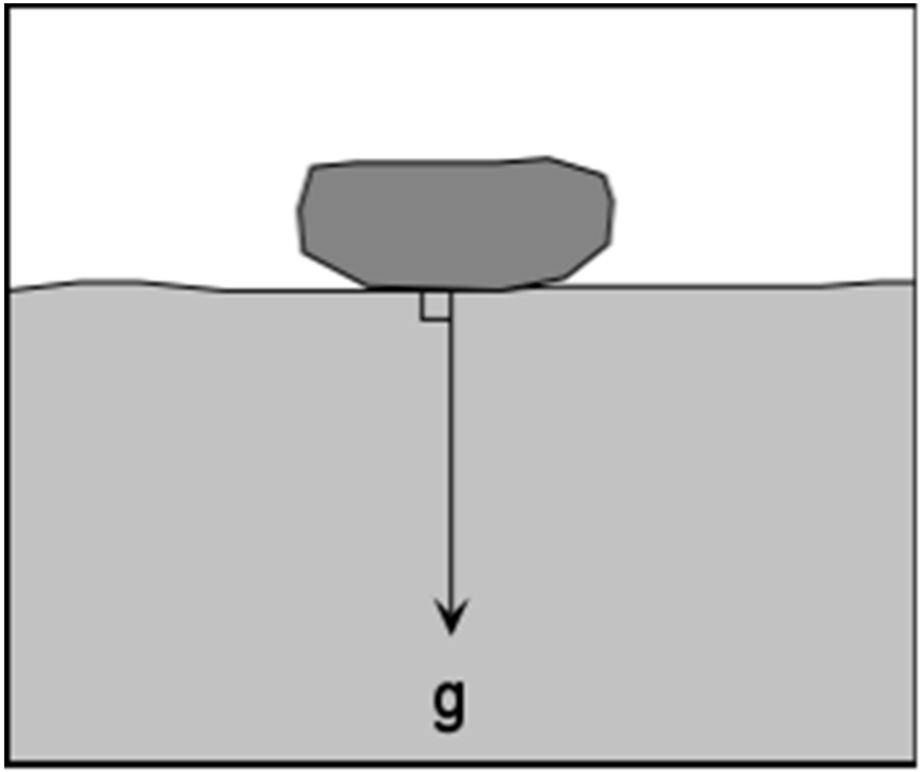
3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

3.1 Gravity

- ***Gravity***: **Main force responsible for mass wasting.**
- **On flat surface force of *gravity acts downward*.**
- **So long as the material remains on the flat surface it will not move under the force of gravity.**



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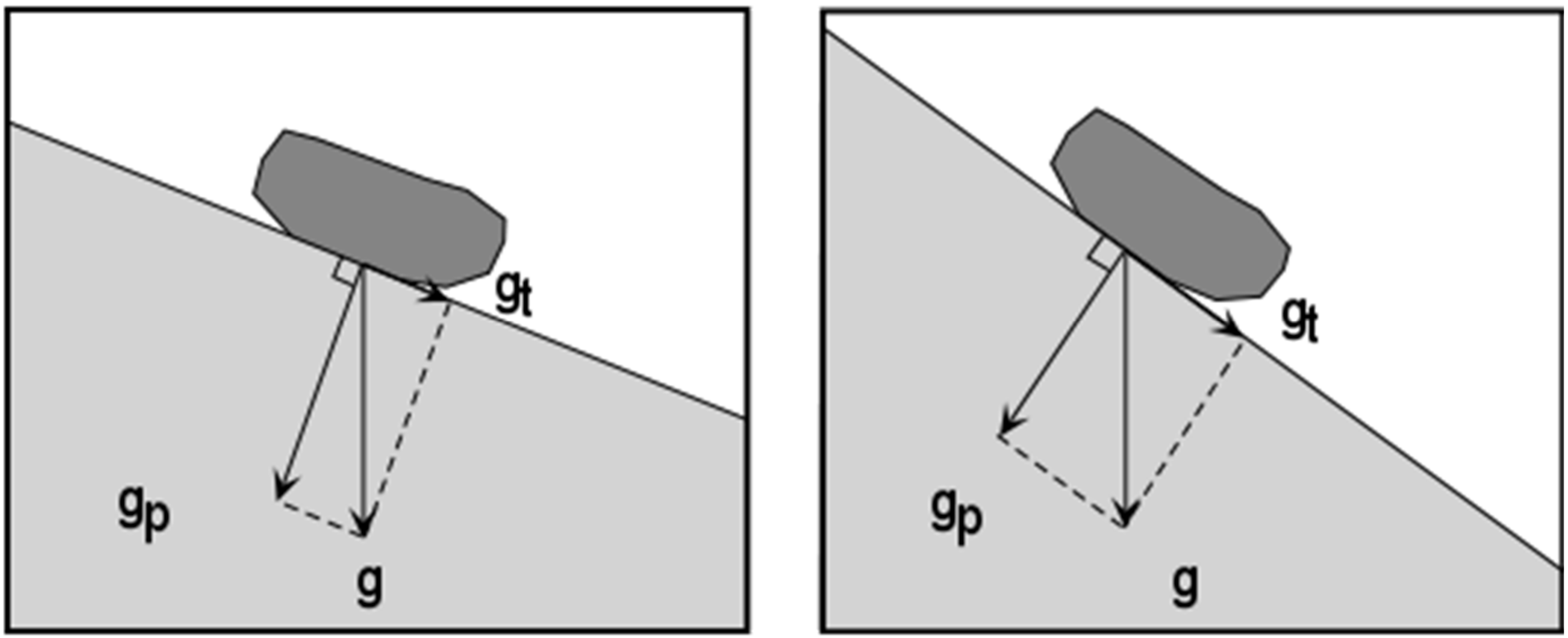
3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

3.1 Gravity

- **Perpendicular component (g_p): helps to hold the object in place on the slope.**
- **Tangential component (g_t): causes a *shear stress* parallel to the slope that pulls the object in the down-slope direction.**



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3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

3.1 Gravity

- ***Shear strength***: **All forces resisting movement down the slope including:**
  - **frictional resistance**
  - **cohesion among particles making up the object**
- **When *sheer stress* > *shear strength*, the object will move down-slope.**
- ***Shear stress* is INCREASED by**
  - **steeper slope angles.**
- ***Shear strength* is DECREASED by:**
  - **lowering cohesion among the particles**
  - **lowering the frictional resistance.**

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3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

3.2 Water

- ***Water*** **not always directly involved as transport in mass-wasting processes, but plays important role.**

3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

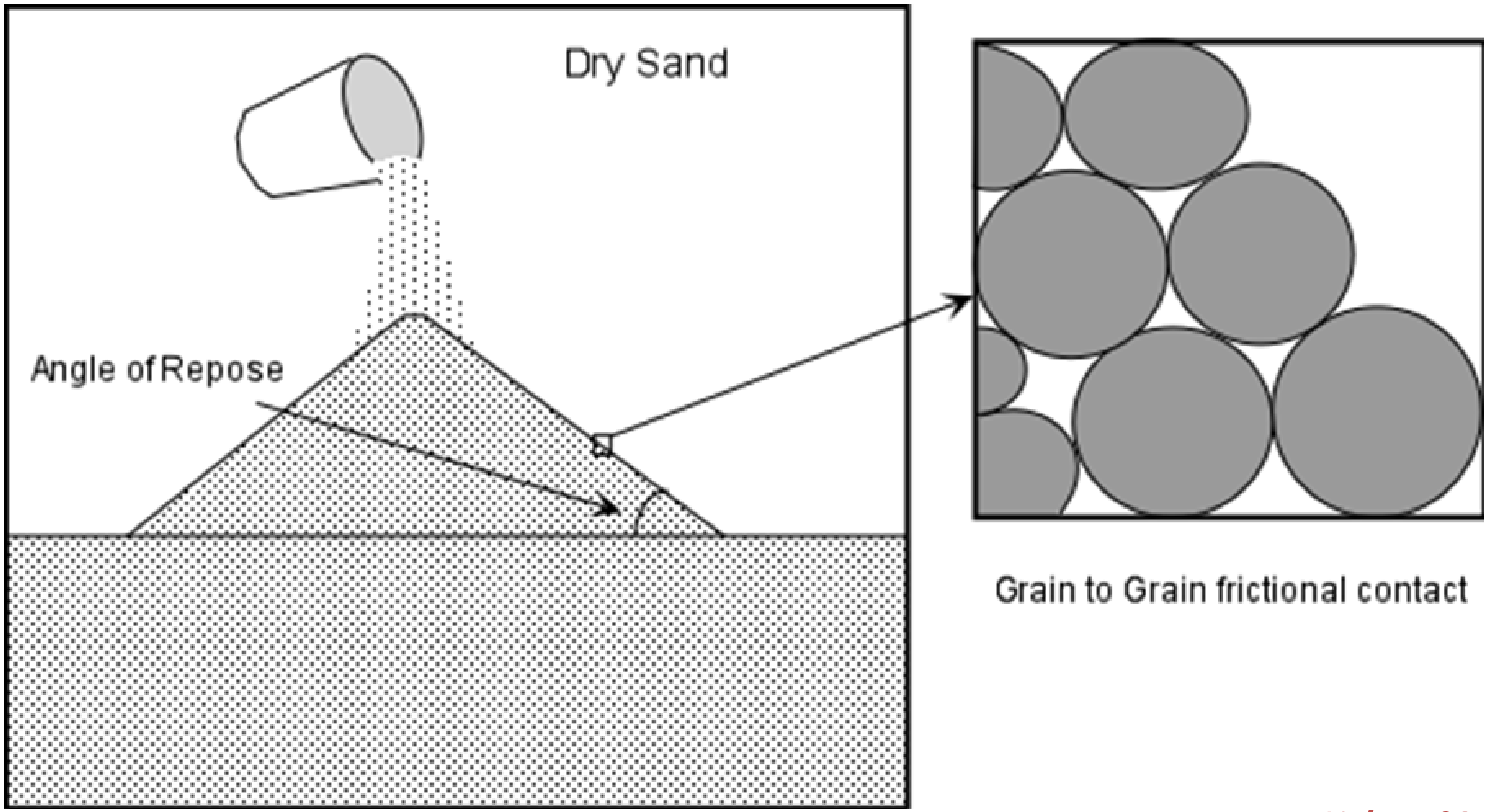
3.2 Water

- Imagine a *SAND CASTLE*.
  - *Sand totally dry*: impossible to build a pile of sand with a steep face like a castle wall.
  - *If sand a little wet*: can build vertical wall.
  - *If sand too wet*: flows like a fluid and cannot remain in position as a wall.

3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

3.2 Water

- ***Angle of repose for DRY material***: **usually lies between about 30–37° [increases with increasing grain size].**



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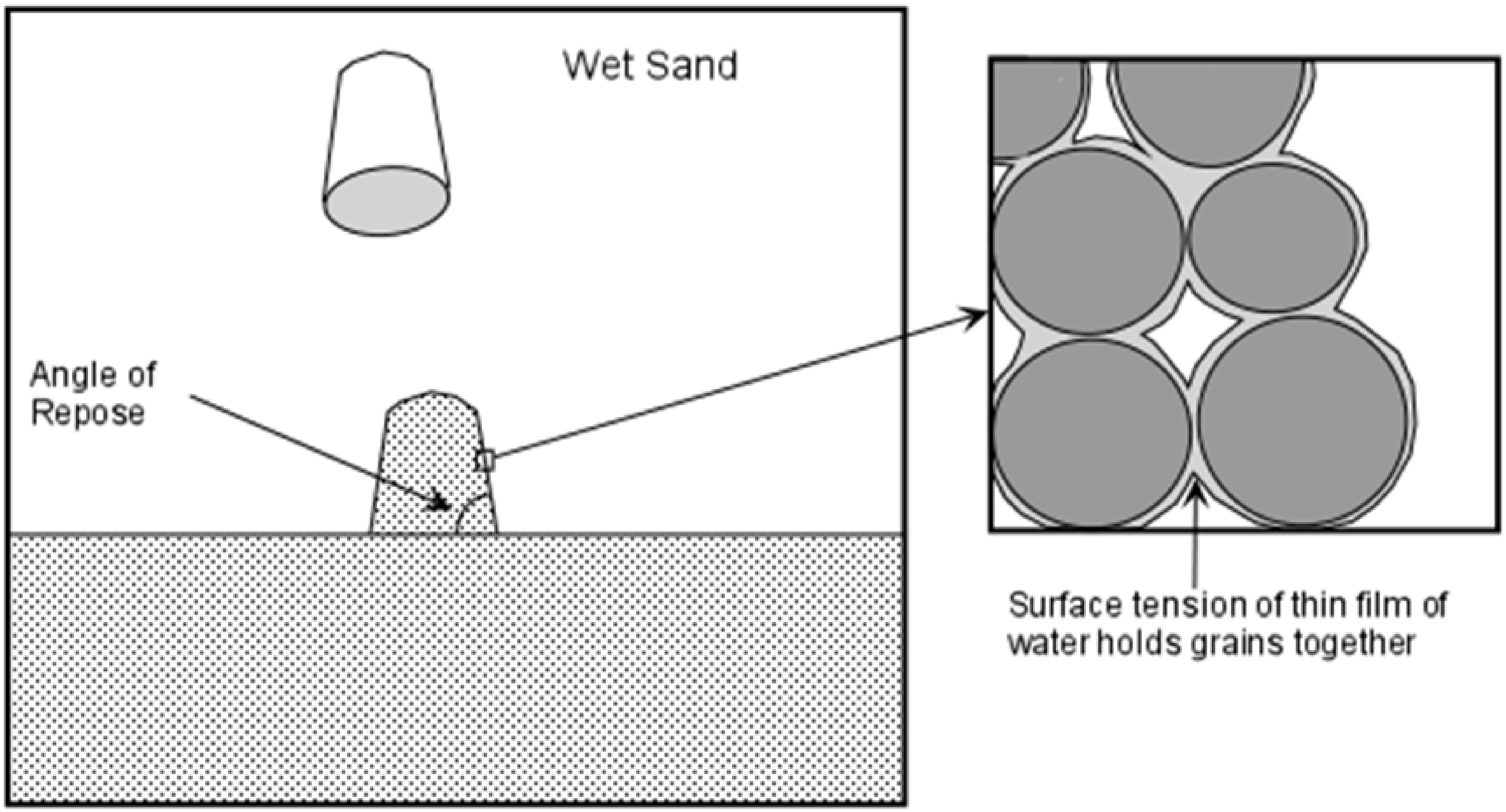
- ***Angle of repose for SLIGHTLY WET unconsolidated materials*: very high angle of repose *[because surface tension between water & solid grains tends to hold the grains in place].***



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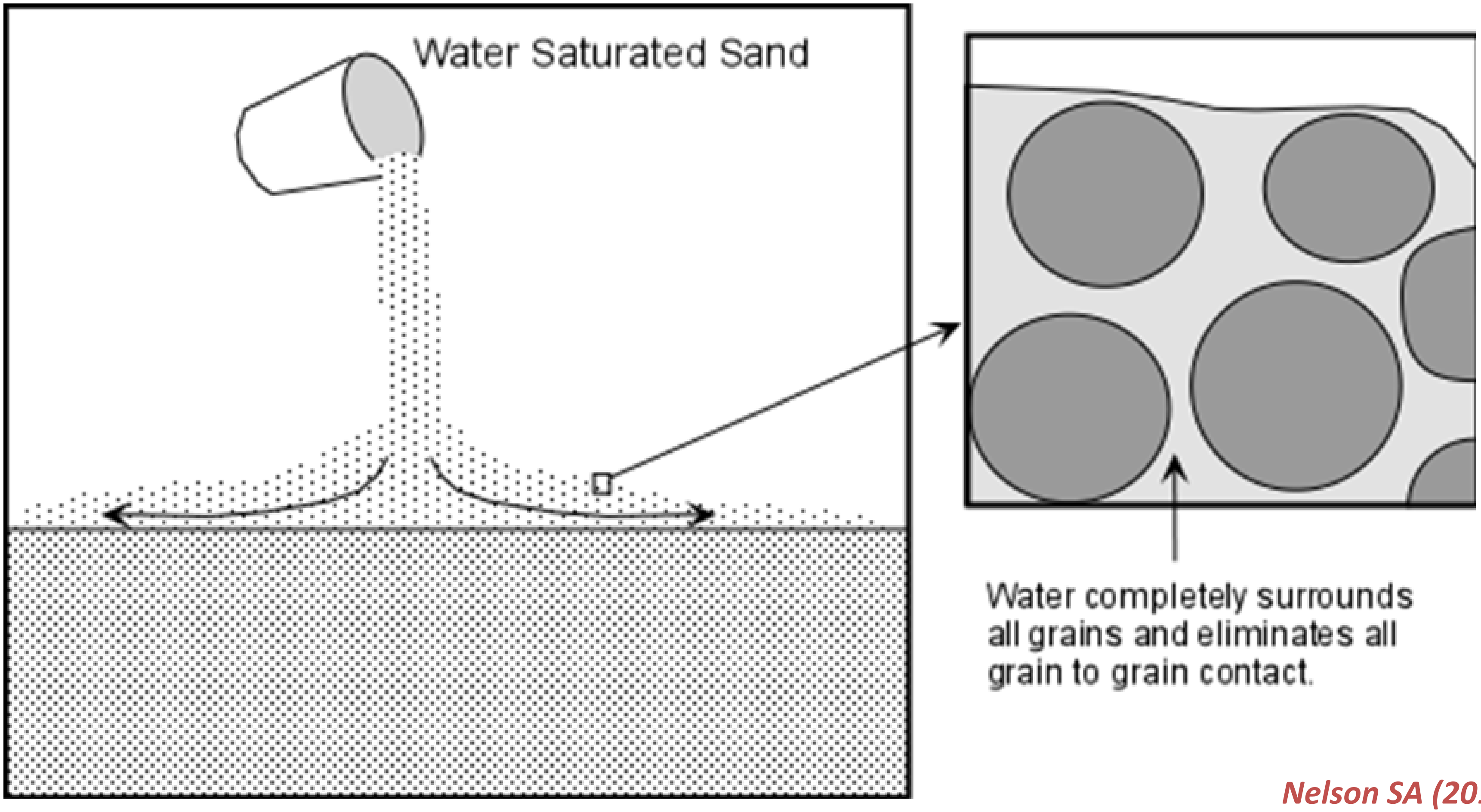
3. Factors Influencing Slope Stability

3.2 Water

- ***Angle of repose for material SATURATED WITH WATER*: very small values *[material tends to flow like a fluid]*.**



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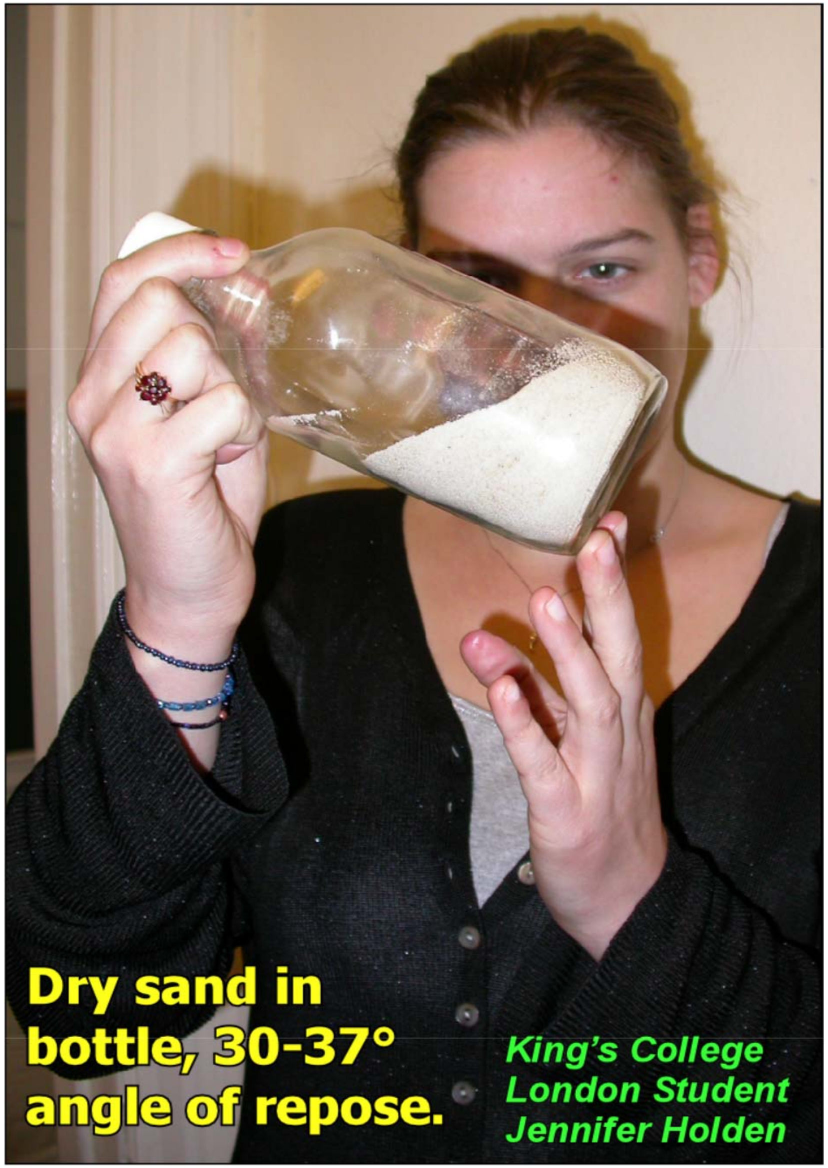
3.3 Inexpensive student demonstrations



What you need to do this demonstration: Bottle, sand and Water

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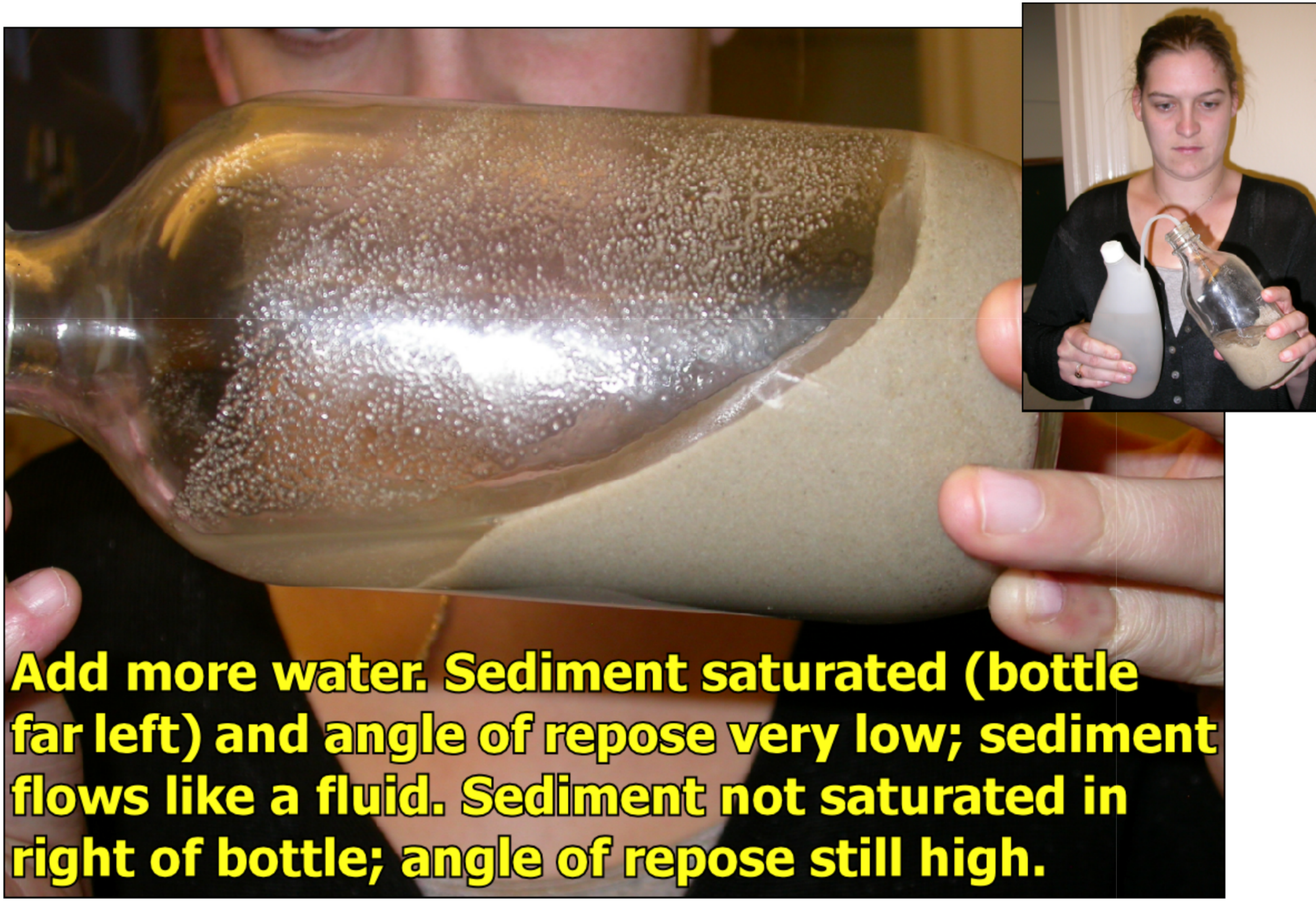

Add more water. Sediment saturated (bottle far left) and angle of repose very low; sediment flows like a fluid. Sediment not saturated in right of bottle; angle of repose still high.

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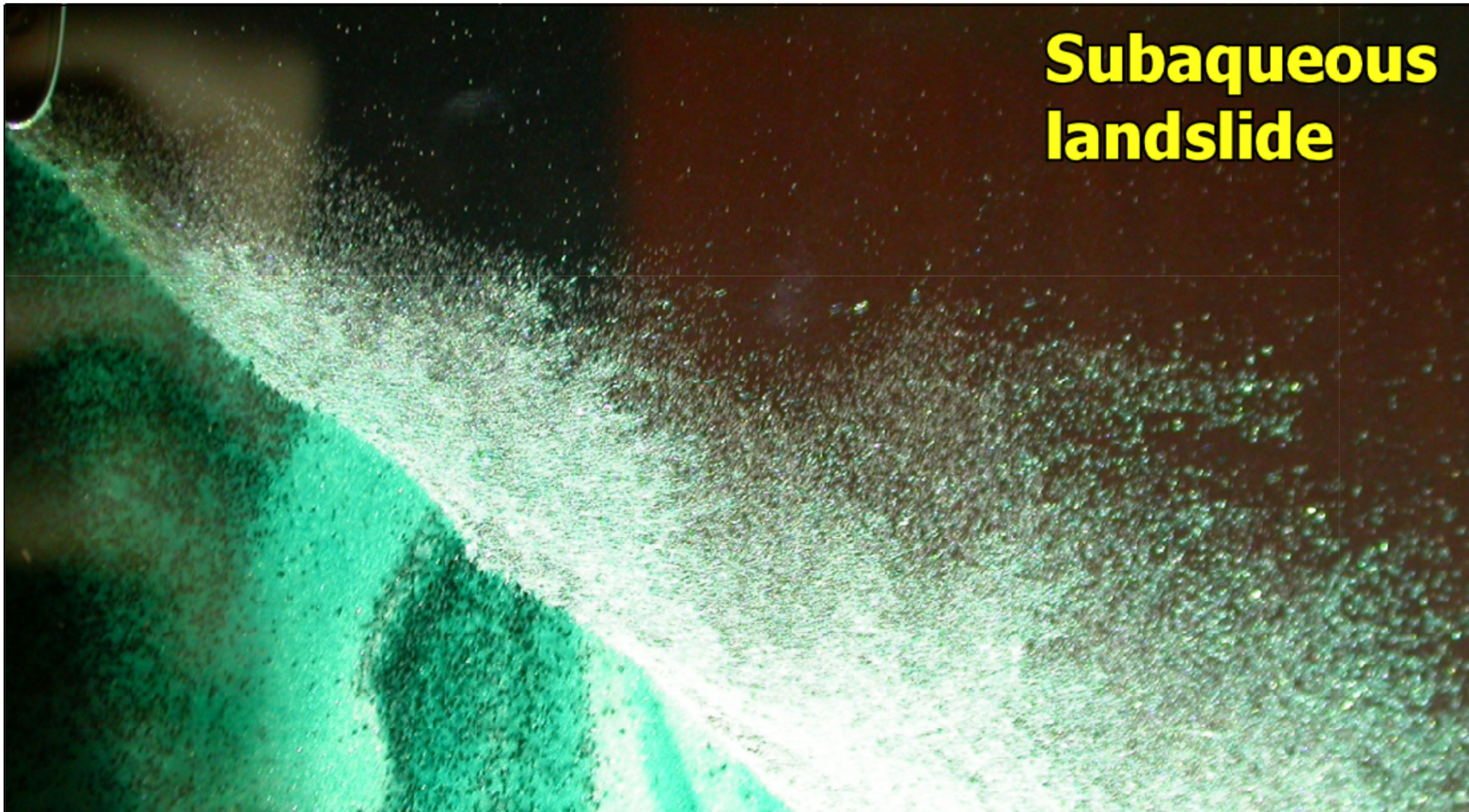

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(See also Poster and Talk I have online: Natural Hazard Demonstrations for Teaching)

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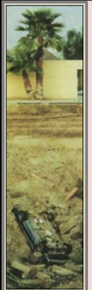

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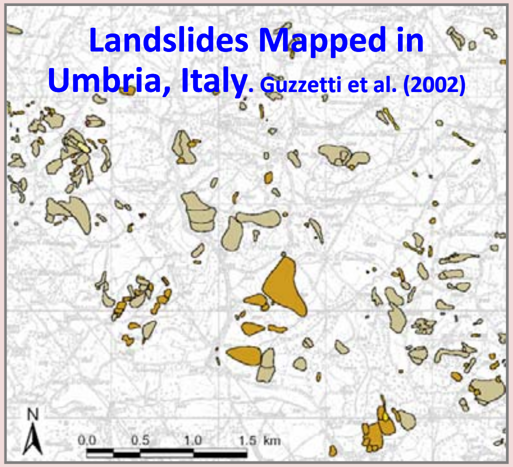


4. Triggered Landslide Events

4.1 Major Triggers

- **A mass-wasting event *can occur any time slope becomes unstable.***
- **Sometimes, as in *creep*, slope is unstable at all times and process is continuous.**
- **But other times, *triggers* can occur that cause a sudden instability to occur.**

4. Triggered Landslide Events

4.1 Major Triggers

EXAMPLES OF MAJOR TRIGGERS

- ***Earthquakes*** **(major shock)**
- ***Heavy rainfall, Sudden Snowmelt***
  - **changes in hydrologic conditions**
  - **reduce grain to grain contact, reducing angle of repose**
  - **saturate rock increasing its weight**
- ***Volcanic Eruptions***
  - **shock like explosions**
  - **earthquakes**
  - **melting of snow**
  - **crater lakes empty**

4. Triggered Landslide Events

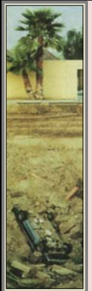
4.1 Major Triggers

LANDSLIDES IN TRIGGERED EVENTS

Number: After a trigger, might be zero, one or many thousands of landslides that occur.

Time: Landslides occur in the minutes to weeks after the trigger occurs.

Areas: Landslide areas range over many orders of magnitude, from m^2 to km^2.



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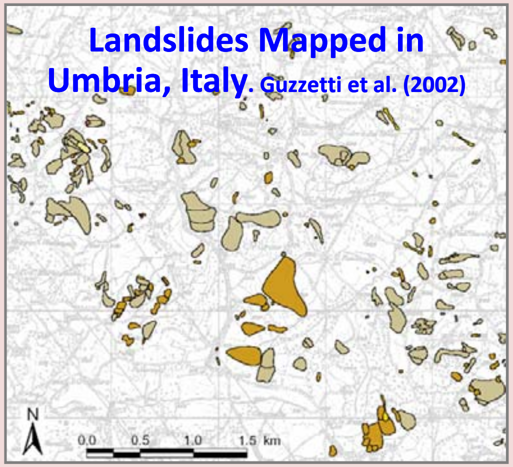


Landslides Mapped in Umbria, Italy. Guzzetti et al. (2002)

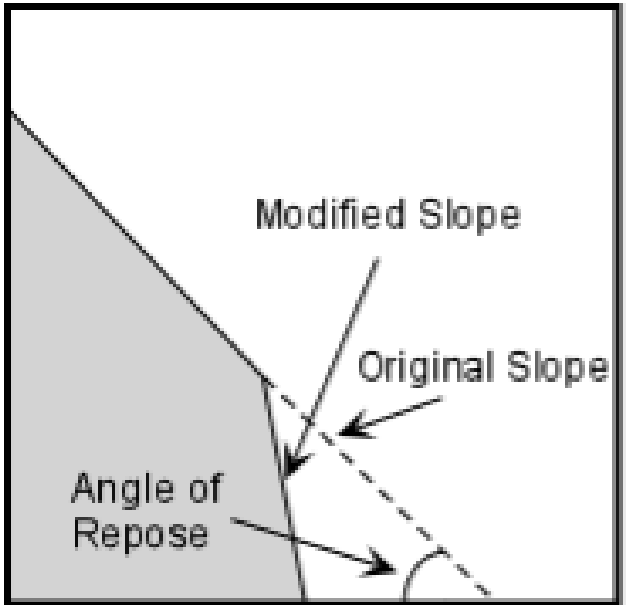
4. Triggered Landslide Events

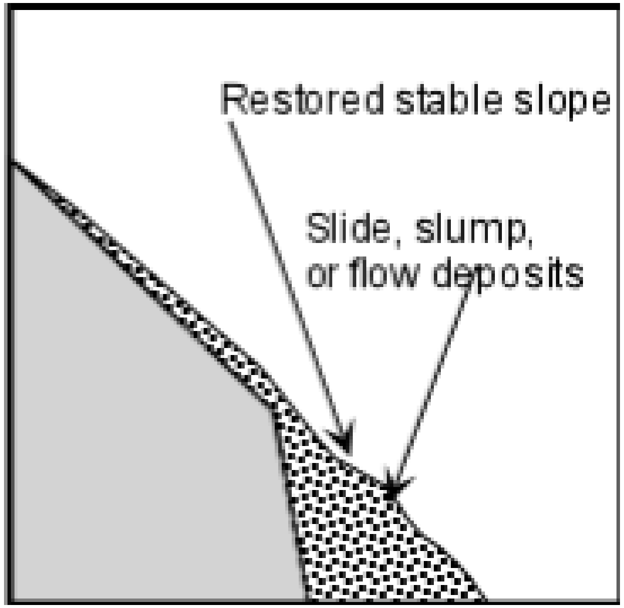
4.2 Other Triggers of Landslides

- **OTHER EXAMPLES OF LANDSLIDE TRIGGERS:**

(i) *SLOPE MODIFICATION*.

- **By humans or by *natural causes*.**
- **Changes *slope angle* so no longer at angle of repose.**
- **A mass-wasting event can restore slope to its angle of repose.**





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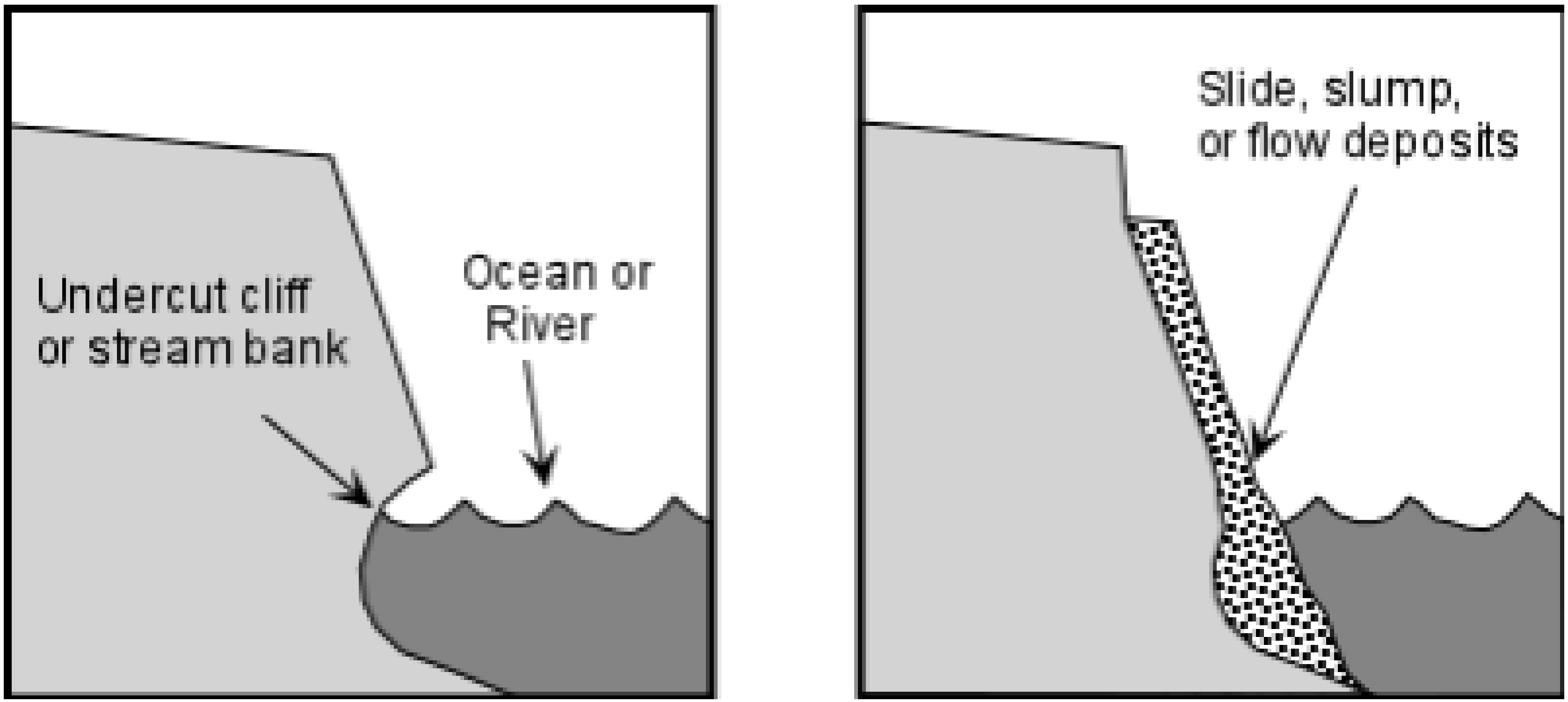
4.2 Other Triggers of Landslides

➢ **OTHER EXAMPLES OF LANDSLIDE TRIGGERS:**

(ii) UNDERCUTTING



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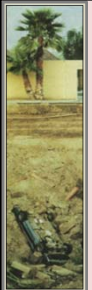
➢ ***OTHER EXAMPLES OF LANDSLIDE TRIGGERS:***

(iii) *FIRE* can cause *removal of vegetation*, resulting in the regolith becoming less fixed over time.

(iv) *ADDED MASS* can make a region more prone to mass wasting.

Examples

- **waste material**
- **mining tailings**
- **structures**
- **water leakage**



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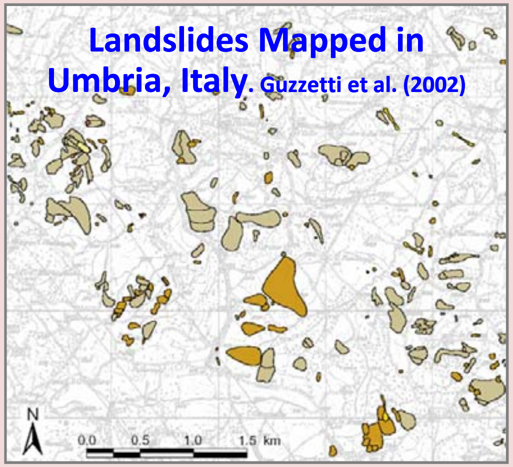

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4. Triggered Landslide Events

4.3 Examples of Triggered Landslide Events

Location [Trigger]	Study area (km^2)	# of landslides	Total area of landslides (km^2)
Umbria, Central Italy[a] [rapid snowmelt, 1/1/1997]	**2,000**	**4,233**	**12.7**
Northridge, California[b] [earthquake, 1/17/1994]	**10,000**	**11,111**	**23.8**
Guatemala[c] [heavy rainfall, 10–11/1998, Hurricane Mitch]	**10,000**	**9,594**[d]	**29.5**

a. **Guzzetti *et al.* (2002) *Earth Plan. Sci. Lett.***
b. **Harp and Jibson (1995) *USGS Open File Rep.***
c. **Bucknam *et al*. (2001) *USGS Open File Rep.***

Landslides Triggered by Rapid Snow-Melt Jan 1997, Umbria Region, Italy

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Guzzetti *et al.* (2002) *EPSL*

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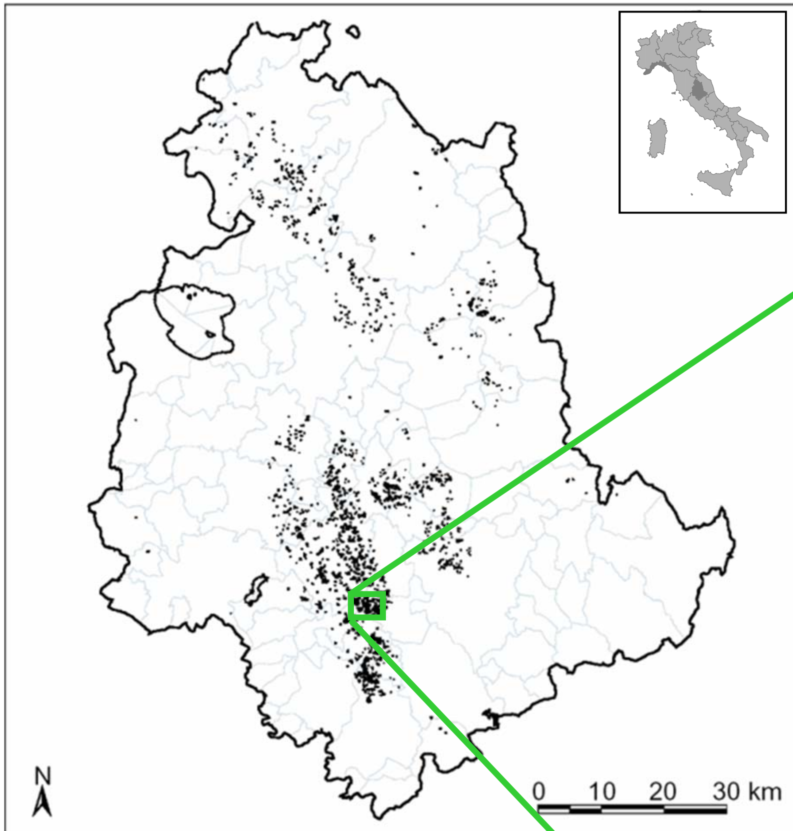
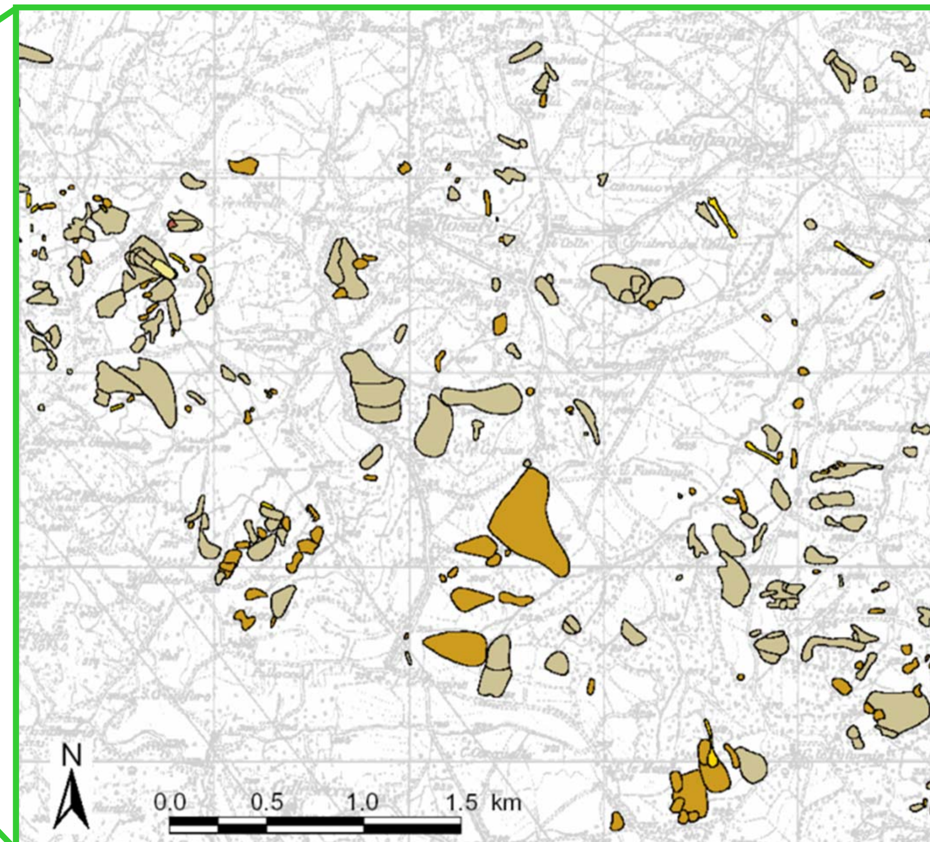


Shallow soil-slips (53%)

Slump earth-flows (9%)

Deep-seated slides (38%)



4,233 landslide areas

Guzzetti *et al.* (2002) *EPSL*

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STEREOSCOPES

Mirror, Double stereoscope

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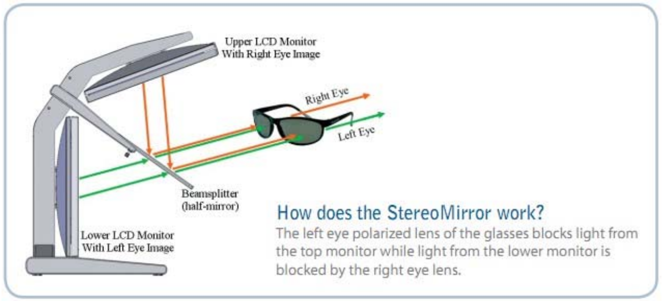
HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE VISUALIZATION SYSTEM



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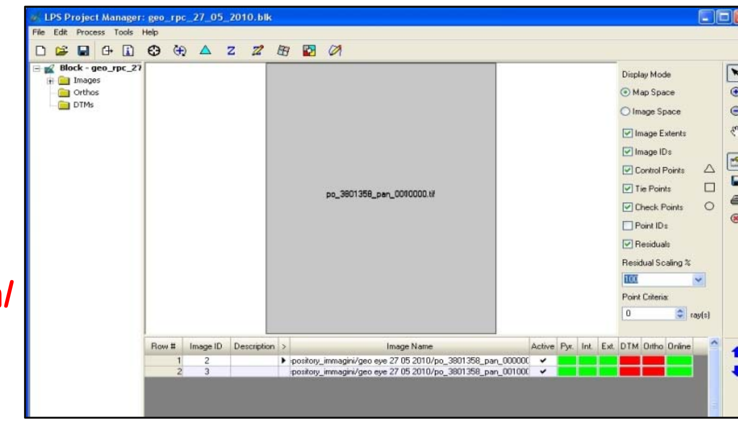
Planar StereoMirror™ HW to obtain 3-D view.



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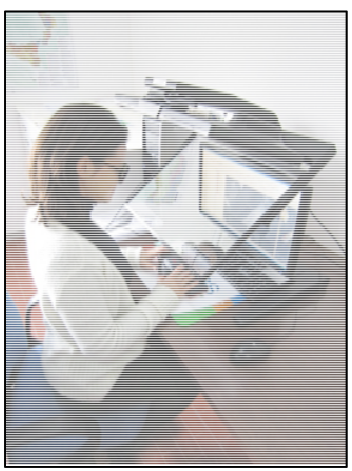

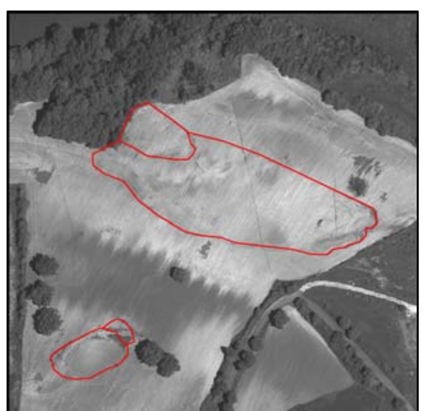

Stereo Analyst for ArcGIS® SW for 3-D visualization of large area, landslide mapping and features storing directly in a GIS database.

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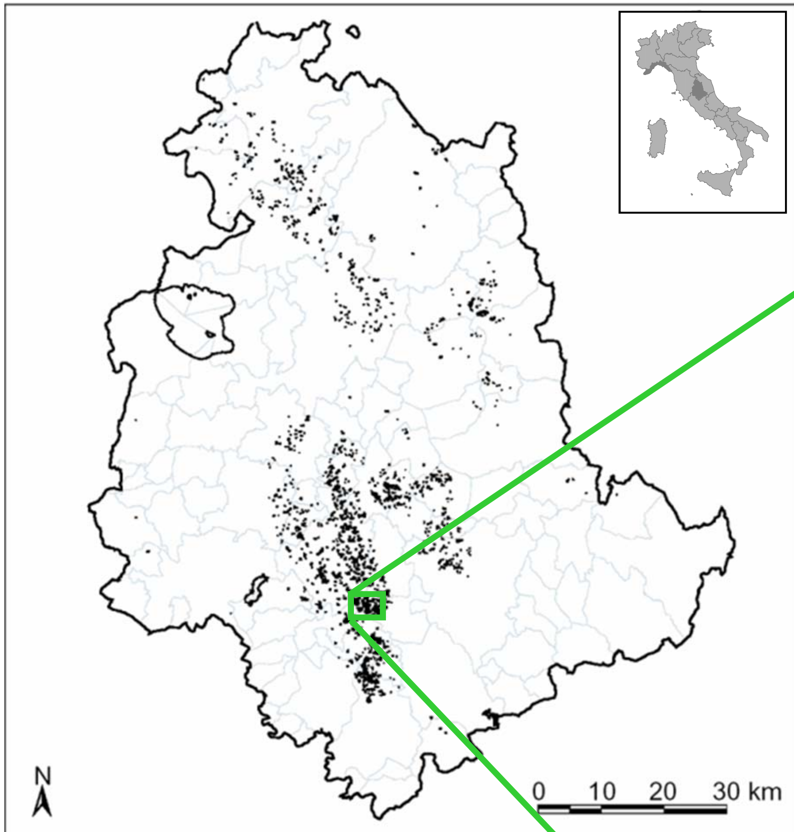
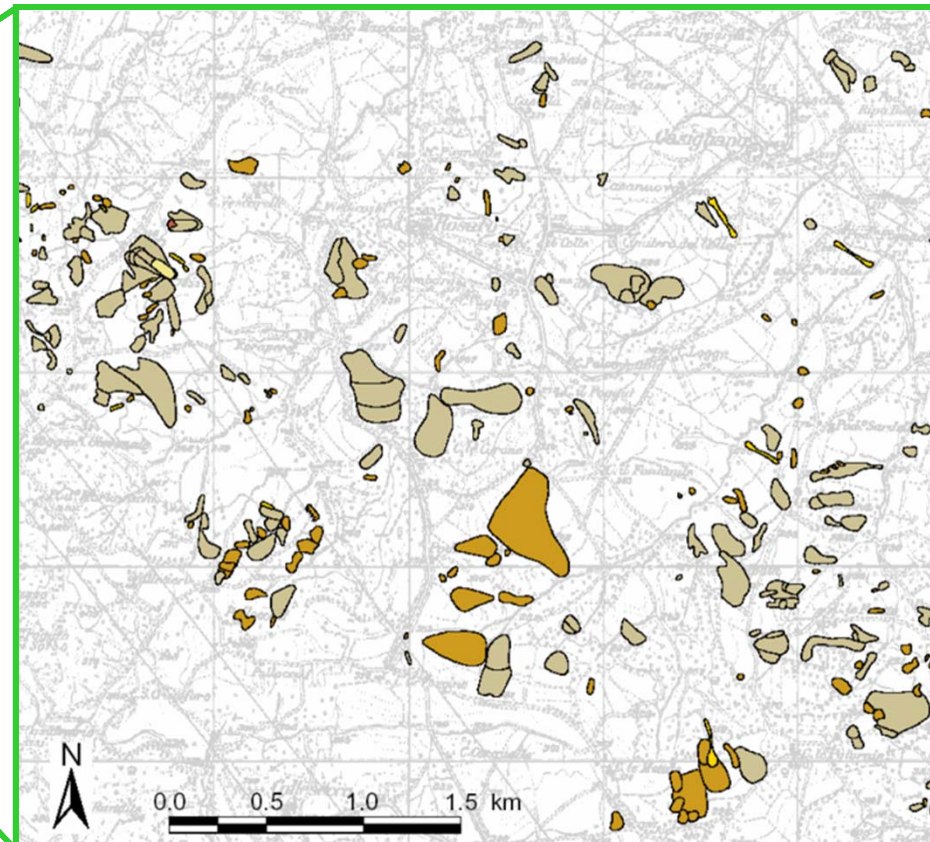
Landslides Triggered by Rapid Snow-Melt Jan 1997, Umbria Region, Italy



Shallow soil-slips (53%)

Slump earth-flows (9%)

Deep-seated slides (38%)



4,233 landslide areas

Guzzetti *et al.* (2002) *EPSL*

Landslides (Mass Wasting)

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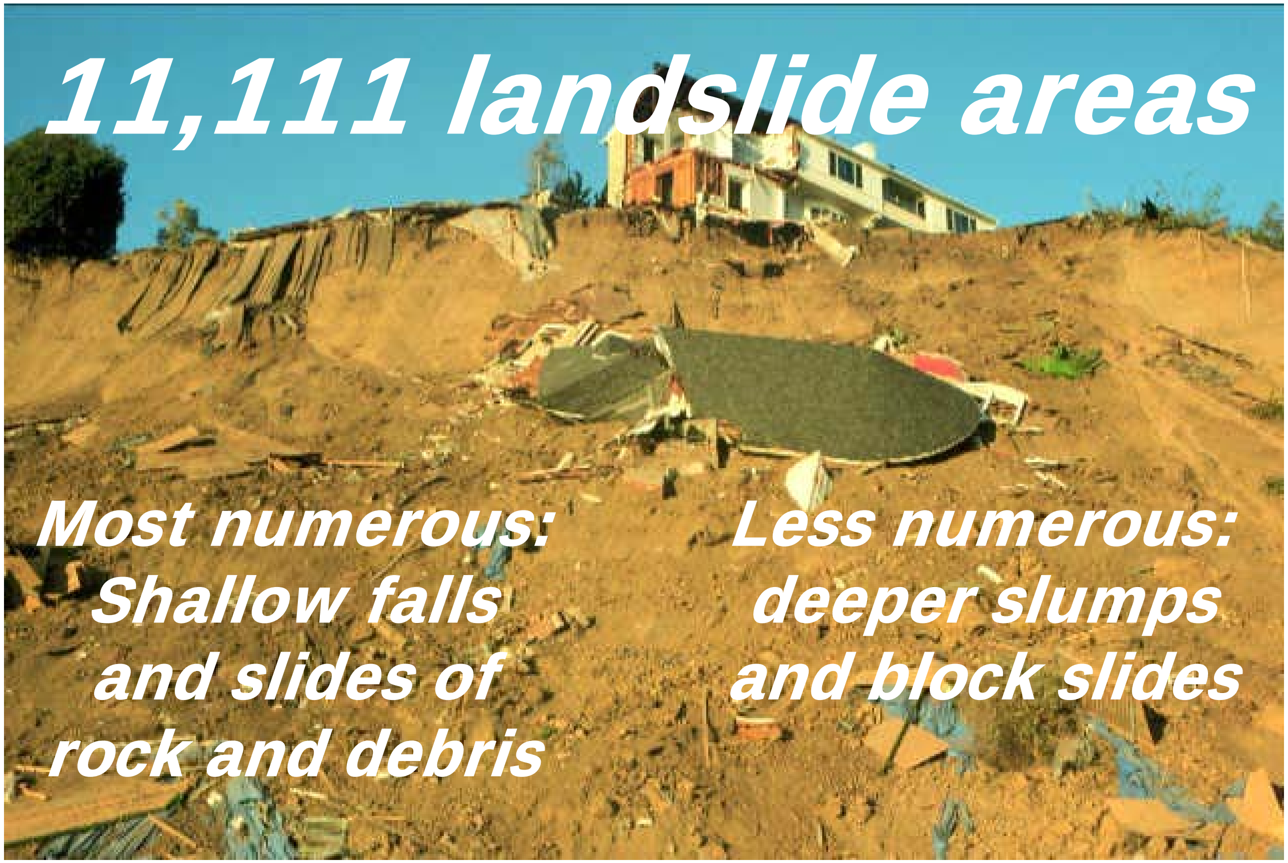

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Landslides Triggered by Hurricane Mitch in Guatemala – Inventory and Discussion

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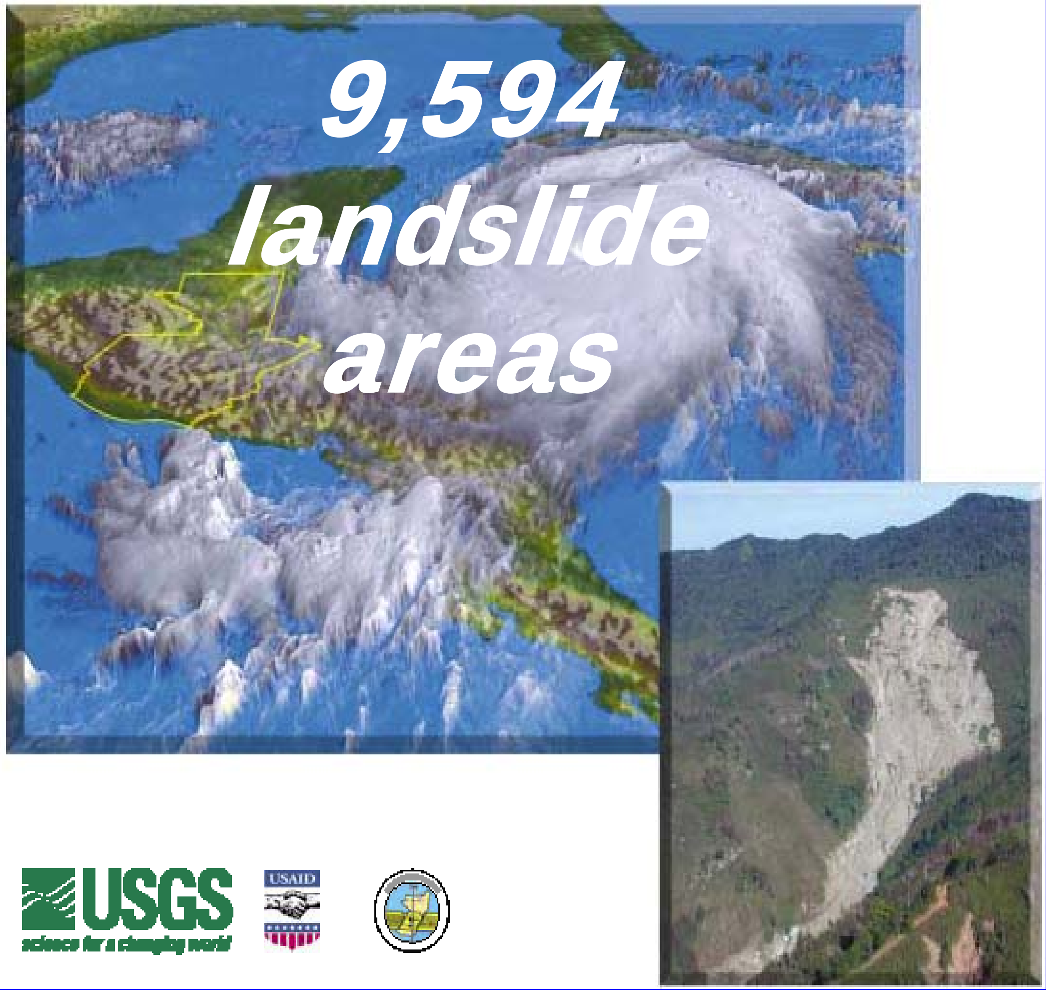

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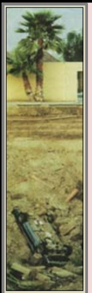

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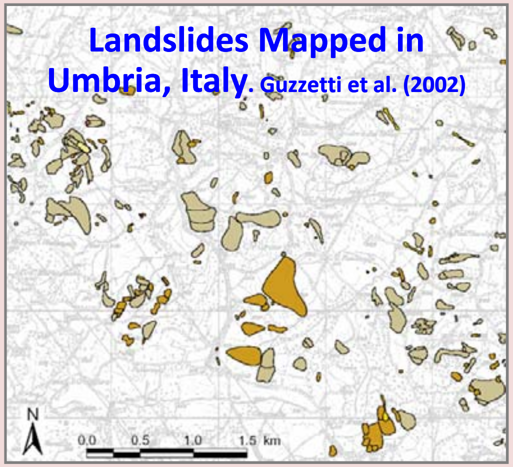
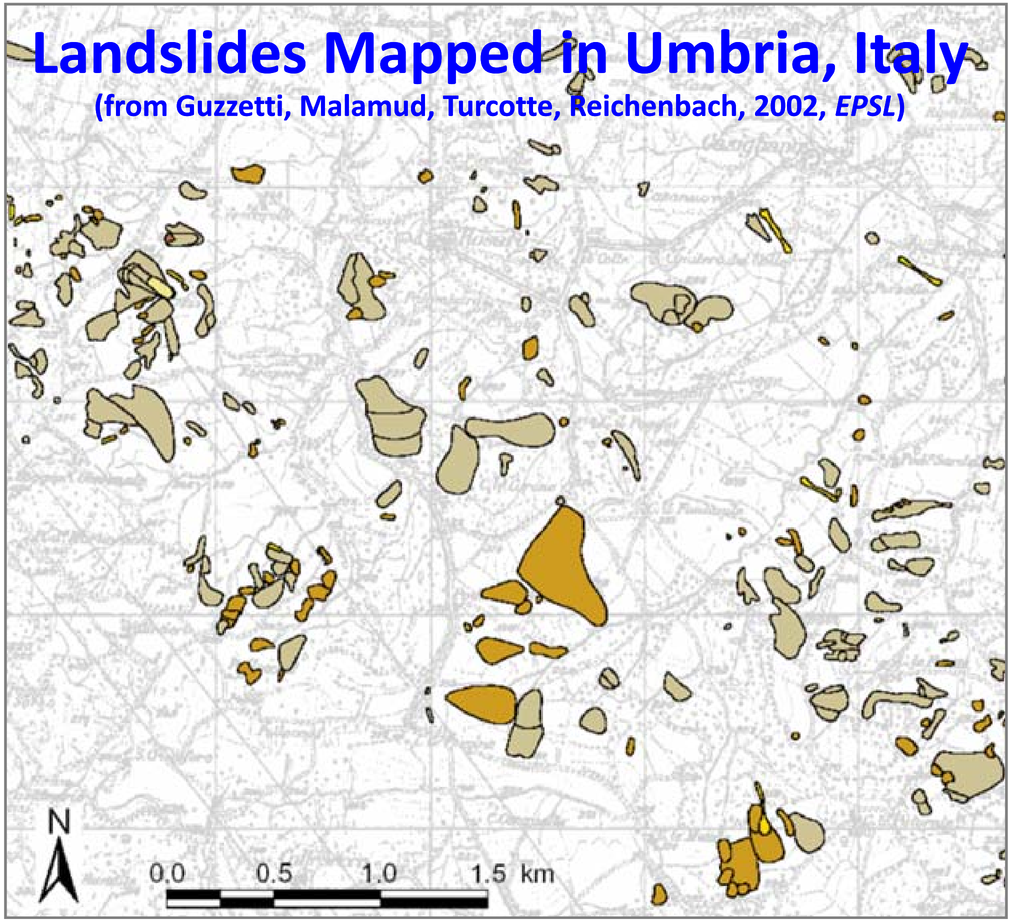


4. Triggered Landslide Events

4.4 Frequency-Size Statistics

Examine number of landslides with sizes:

- ❑ *Very Small*
- ❑ *Small*
- ❑ *Medium*
- ❑ *Large*
- ❑ *Very Large*



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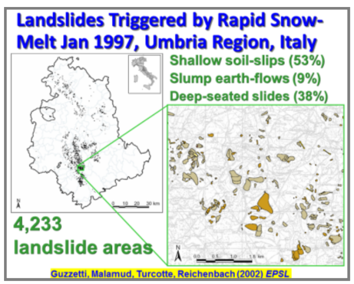

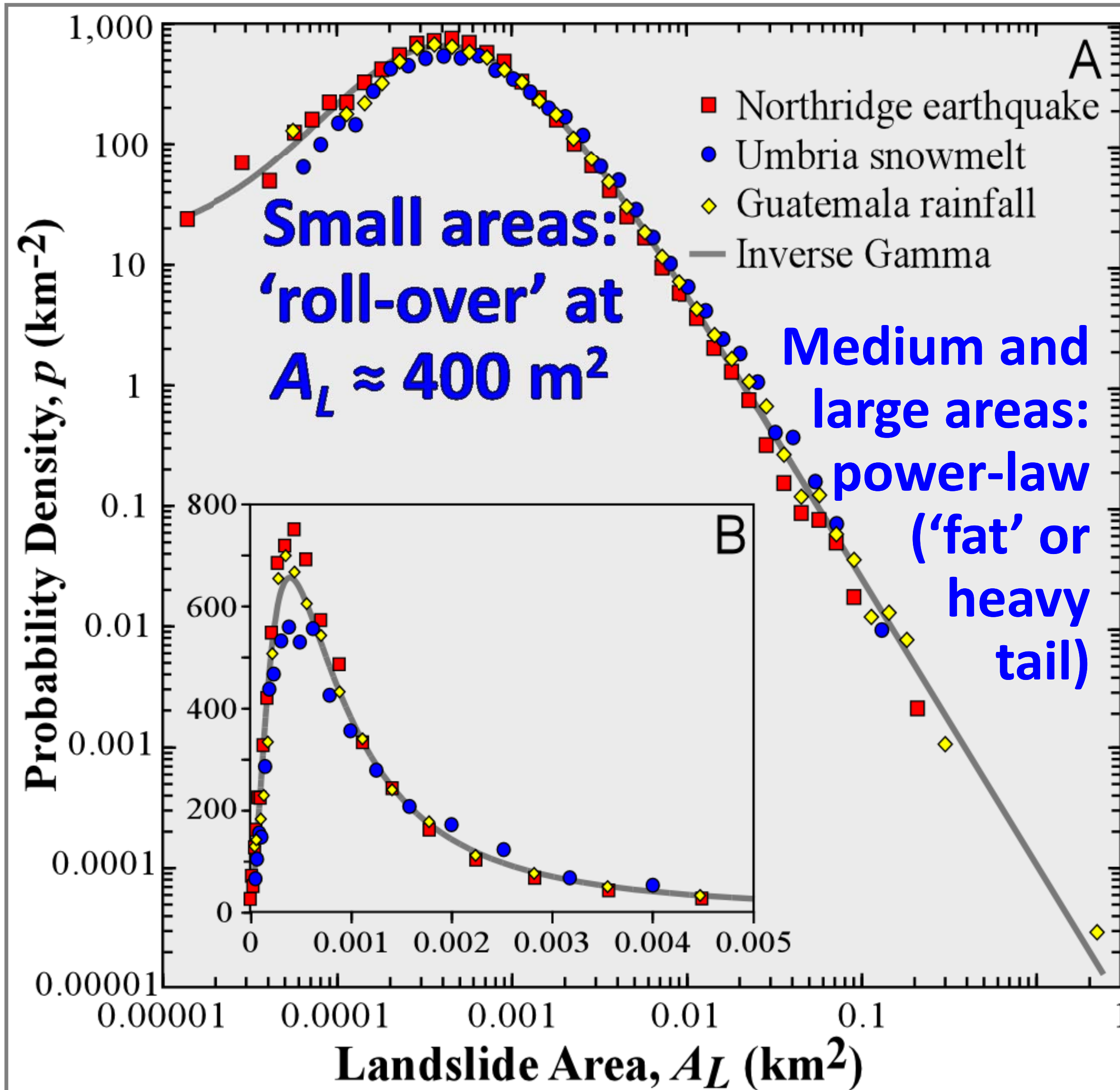

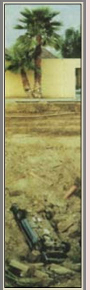

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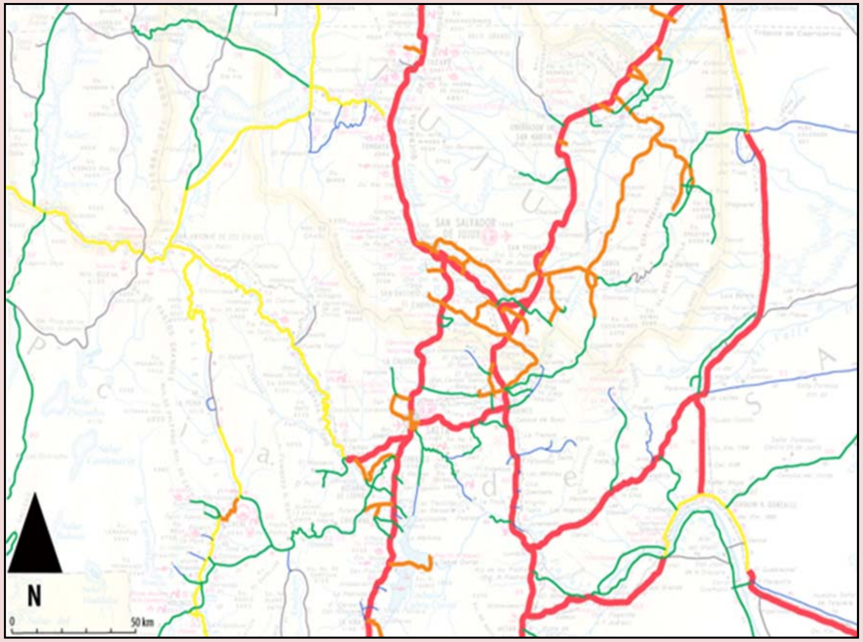

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5. Triggered Events & Road Networks

(Research with *PhD Student* Faith Taylor)

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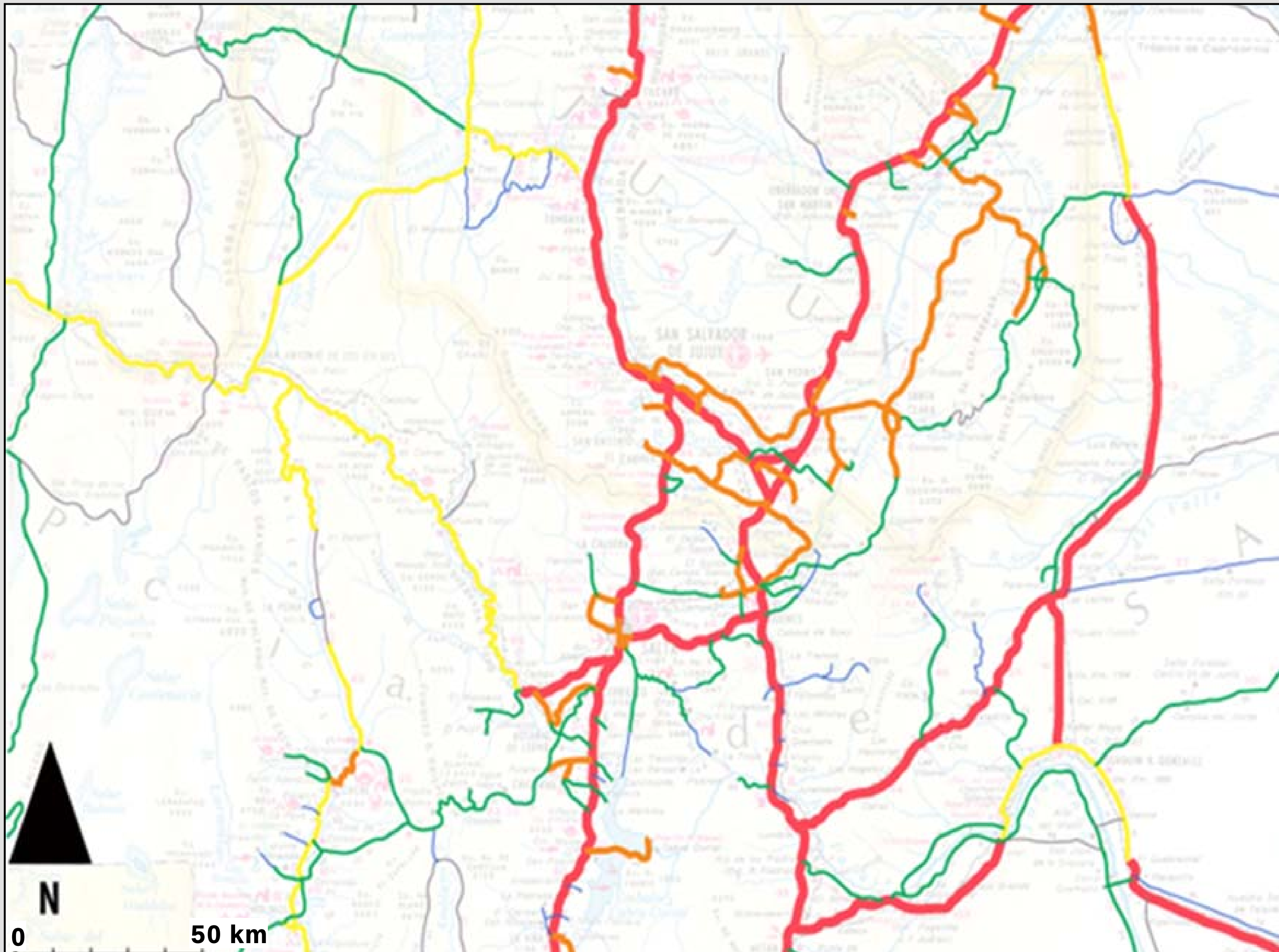
Landslides (Mass Wasting)

Current Research: The intersection of landslides with road networks (NERC funded PhD student in 2nd year, Faith Taylor).

- Principal Paved Roads
- Secondary Paved Roads
- Primary unpaved roads
- Secondary unpaved roads
- Tracks
- Other



Figures: courtesy of Faith Taylor.

Road Network from Salta Province, NW Argentina

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Route 14, Utah, USA after a landslide destroyed 400 m of road.
(Image: MSNBC Photoblog, 2011)

Attabad Landslide (Jan 2010), Karakoram Highway.
(Image: Parmir Times, 2010)

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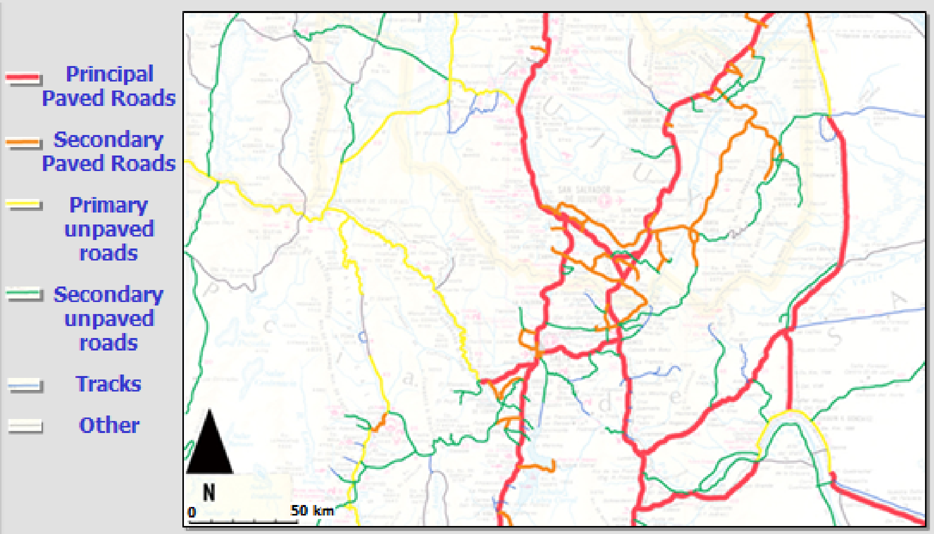

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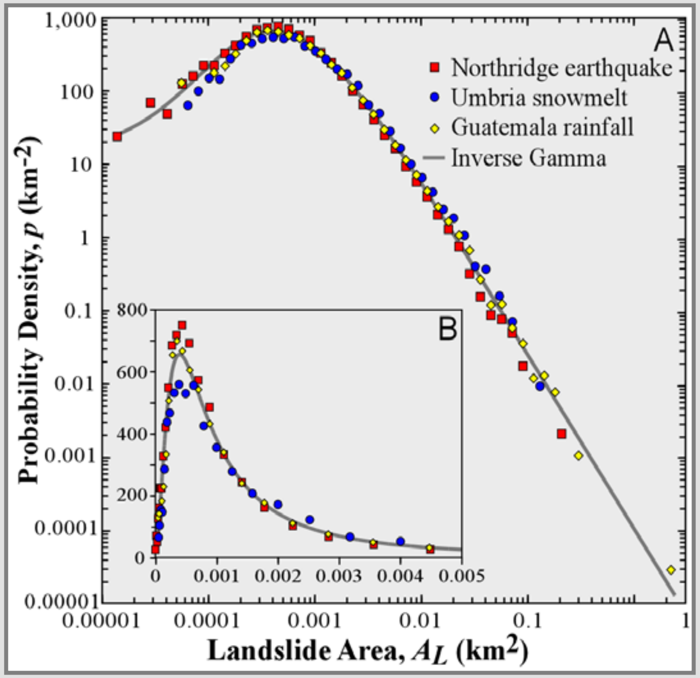

Create a computer model to randomly drop landslides on road networks.

Use 'general' probability distribution for landslide areas.

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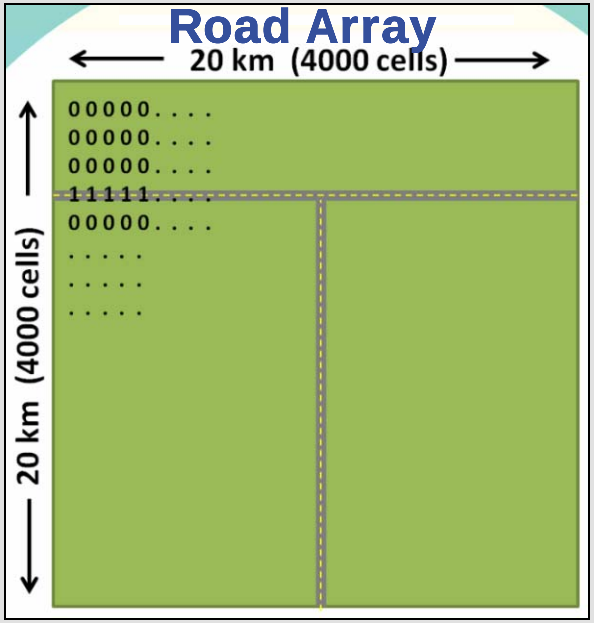

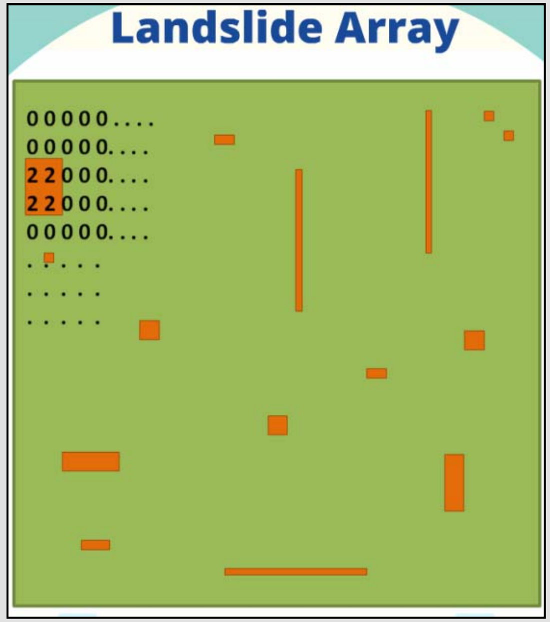

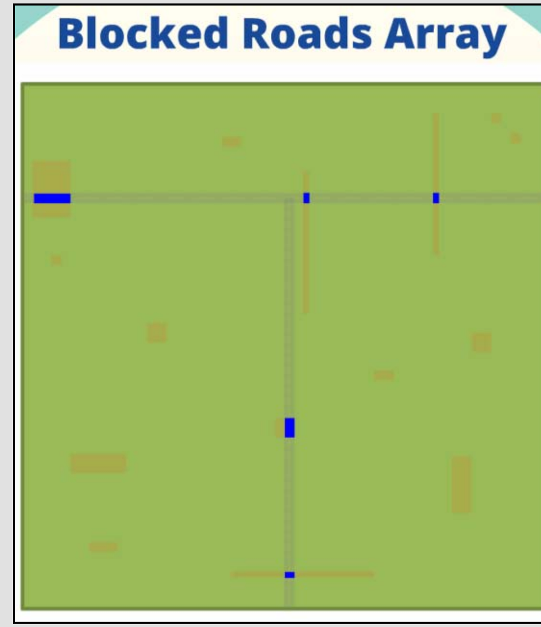

- 4000 x 4000 cell array
- 5 m x 5 m cell 'resolution'
- 20 km x 20 km study region

- Landslide areas from 'general' landslide probability distribution.
- 200–800 landslides.
- Variable length to width ratio

- Location, number, and size of road blockages.

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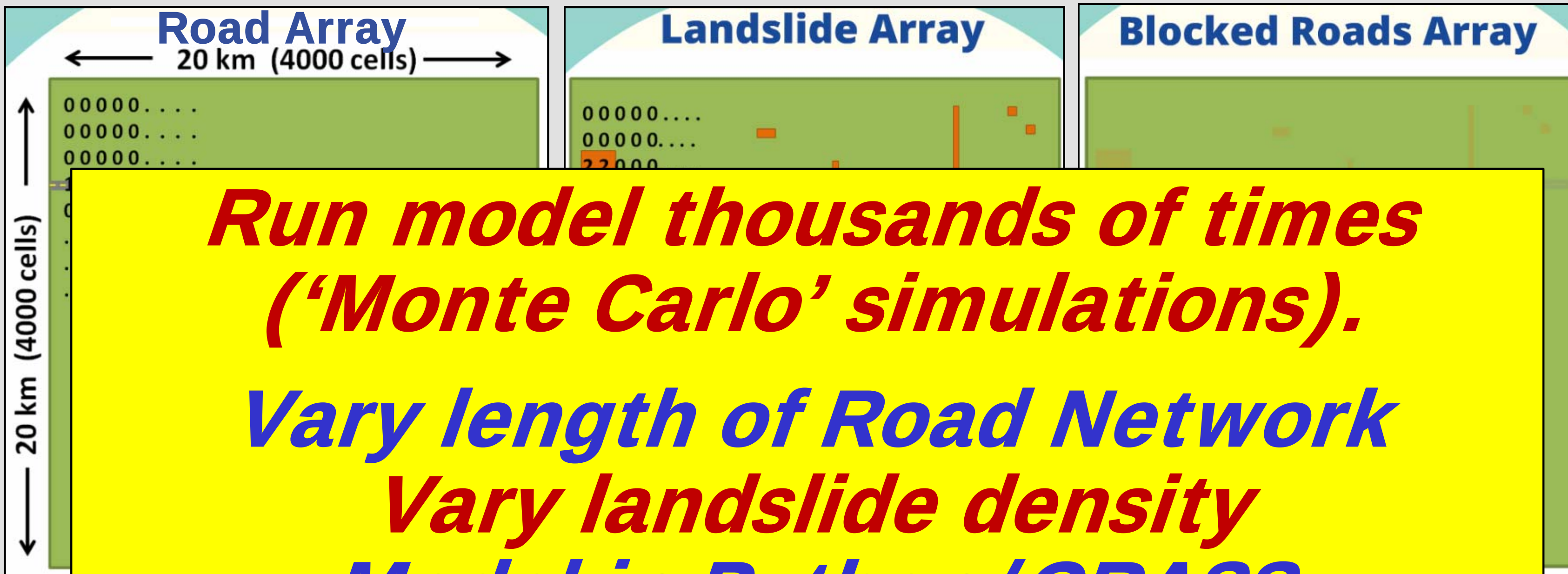

Run model thousands of times ('Monte Carlo' simulations).

Vary length of Road Network

Vary landslide density

Model in Python/GRASS

Future: Add more 'reality'.

- 20 km x 20 km study region

distribution.

- 200–800 landslides.
- Variable length to width ratio

blockages.

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16 km (approx.)

Example from Collazone, Italy

A. ‘Real’ Road Network

B. ‘Simulated’ Landslides

C. Road Network, Simulated Landslides, & Resulting Road Blockages

D. Just Resulting Road Blockages

25 km (approx.)

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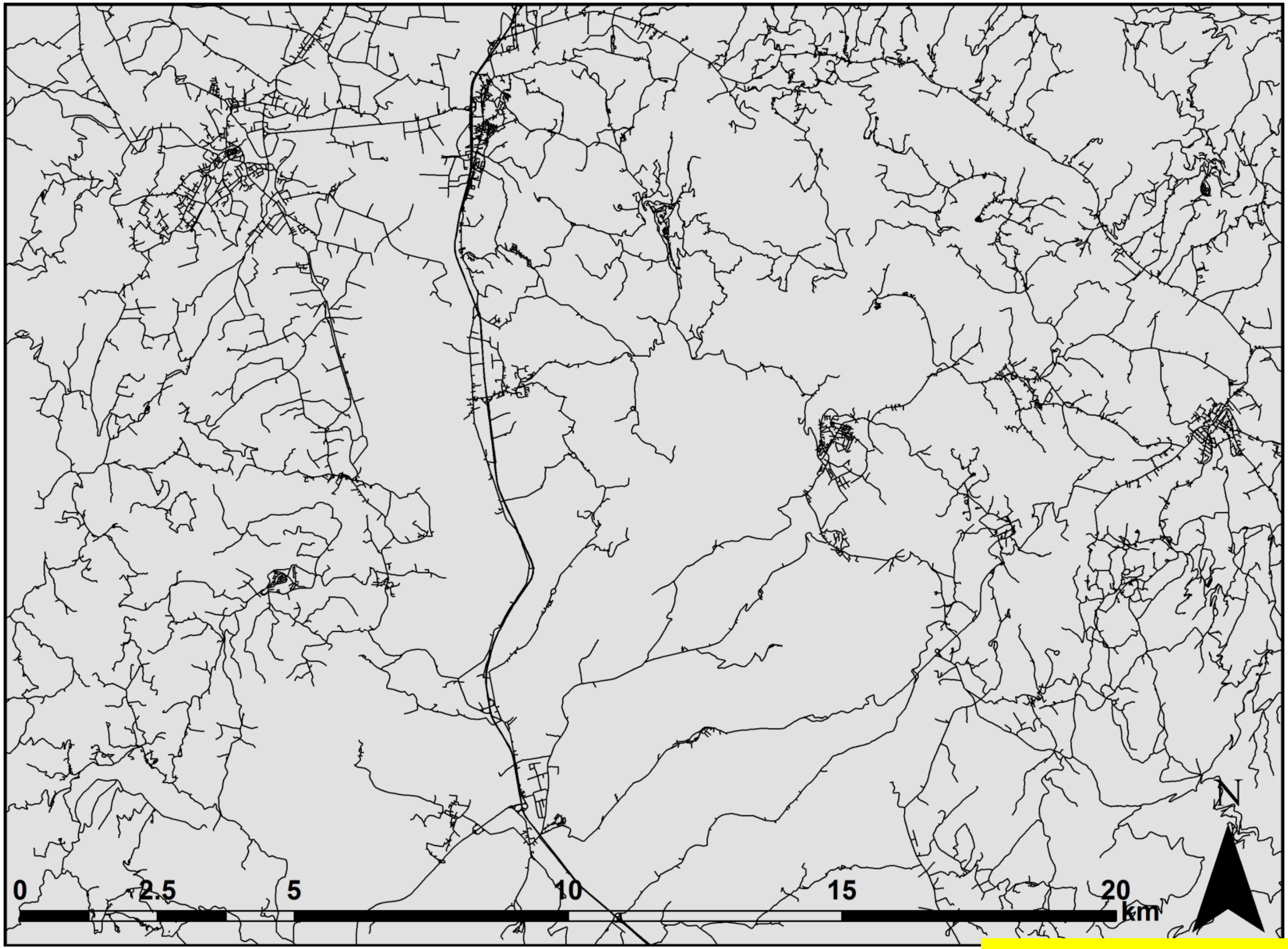
A. Collazone (Italy) Road Network 1359 km of roads



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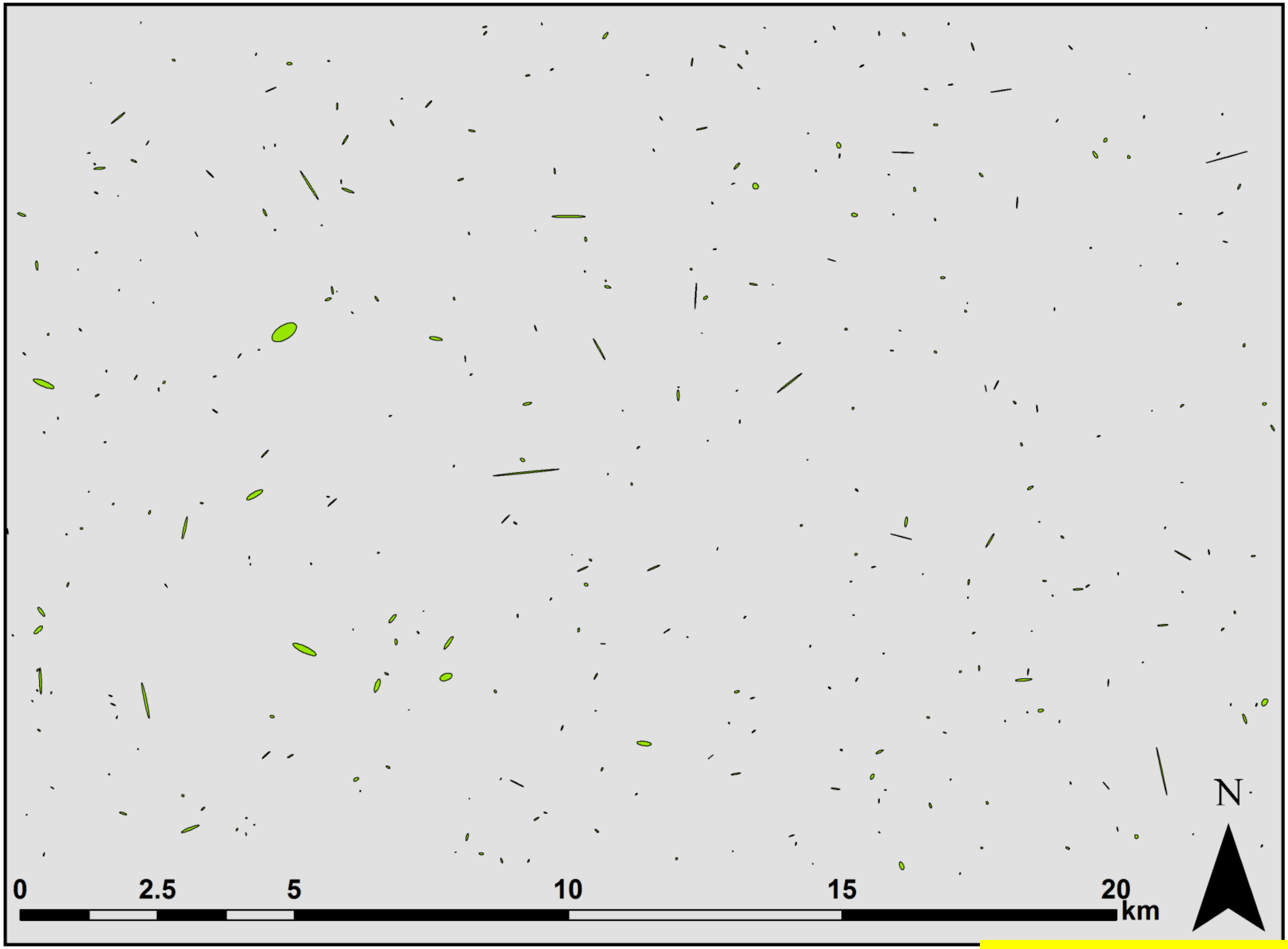
B. 'Simulated' landslides (400)



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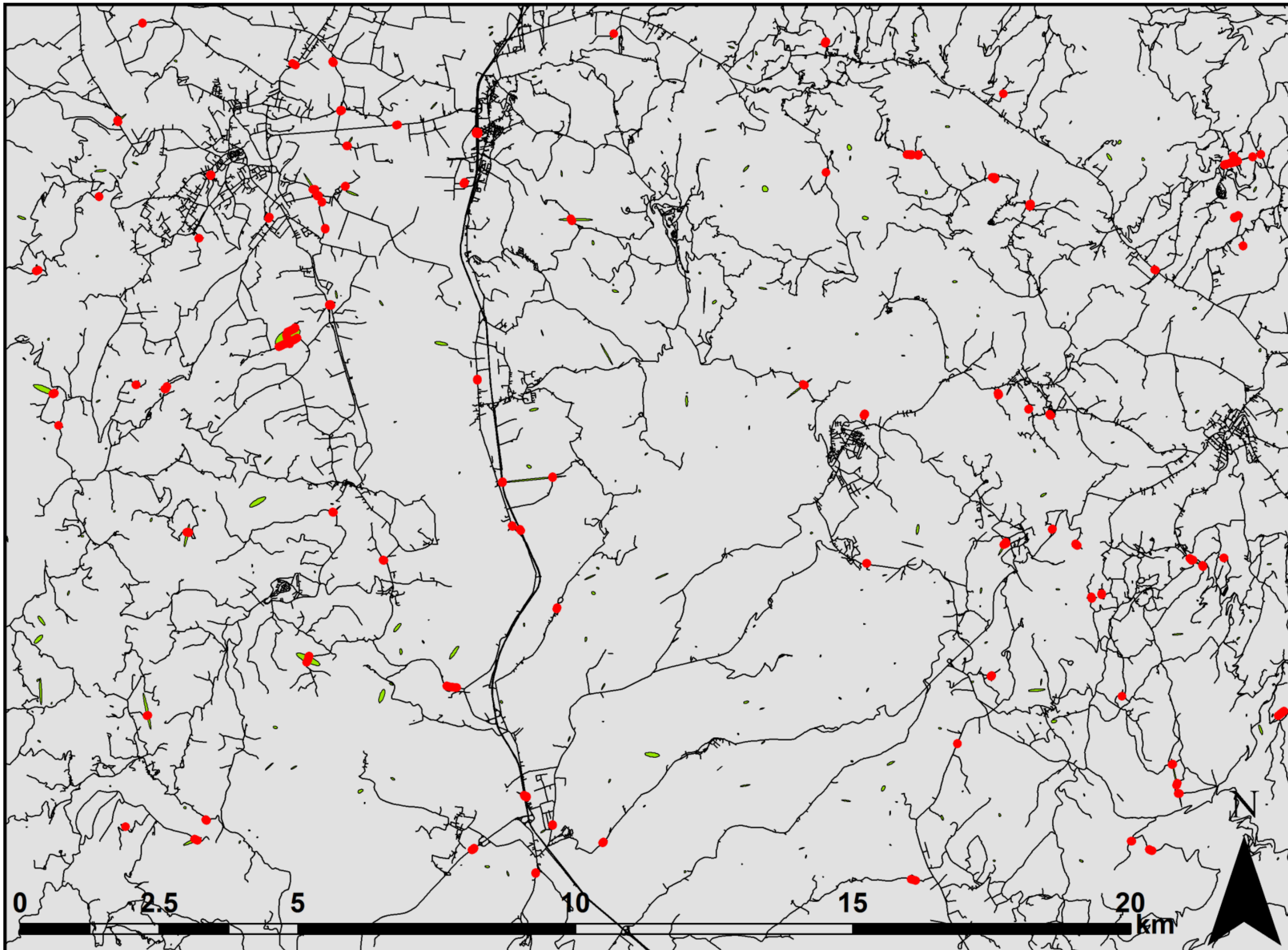
Landslides (Mass Wasting)

C. Collazone Road Network, Simulated Landslides & 108 Resulting Road Blockages



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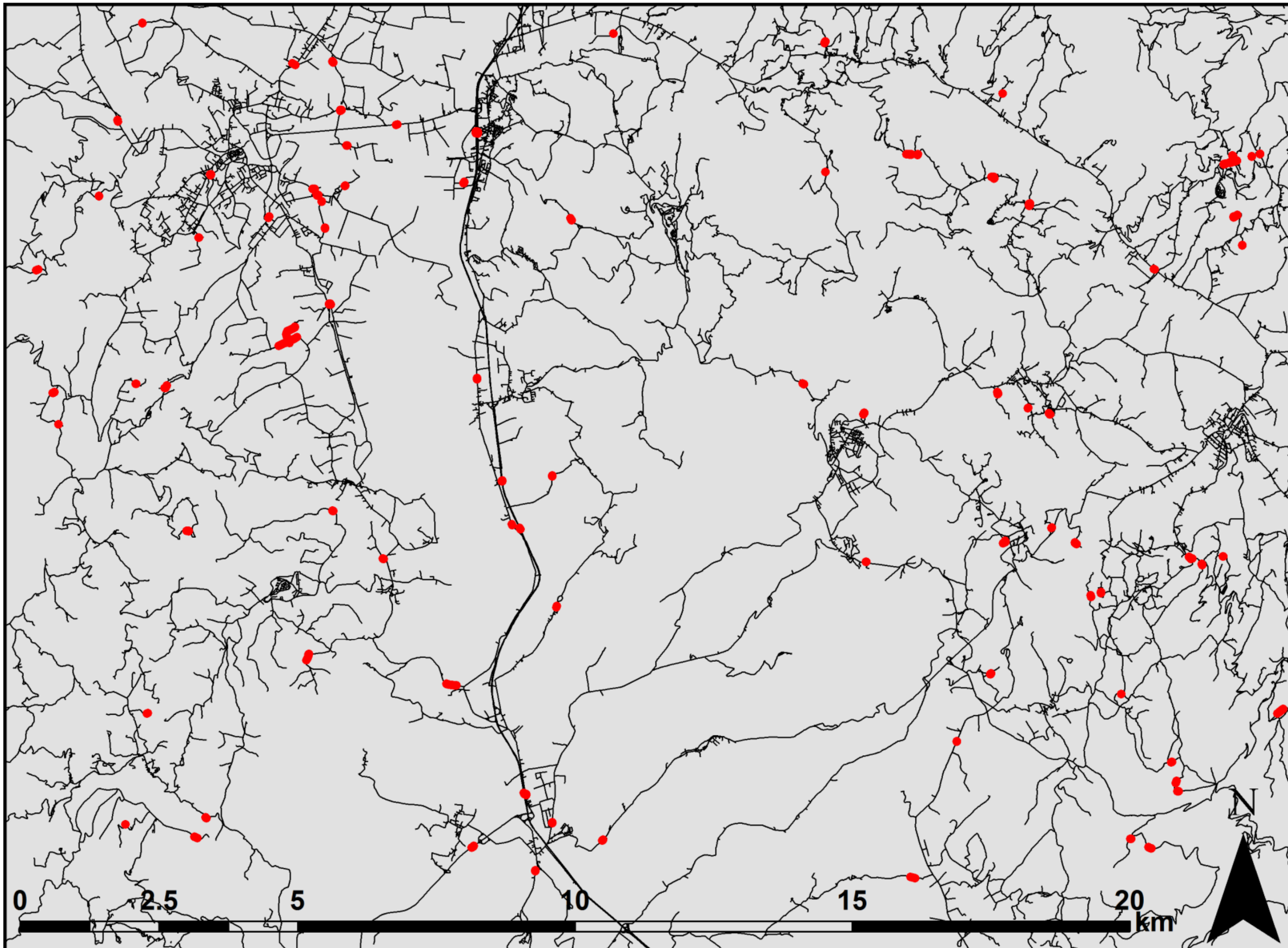
D. Collazone Road Network, &
108 Resulting Road Blockages



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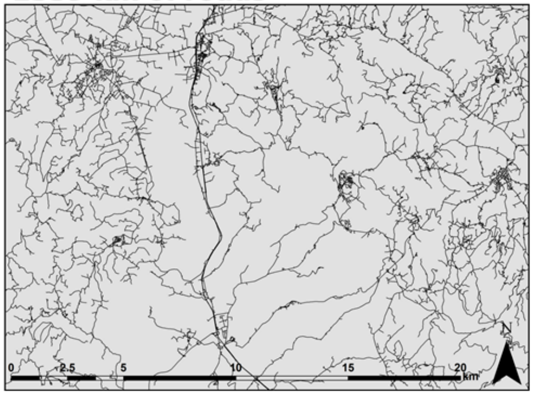
Landslides (Mass Wasting)

Collazone (Italy) Simulation of Landslides Interacting with Road Networks

A. Collazone (Italy) Road Network
1359 km of roads



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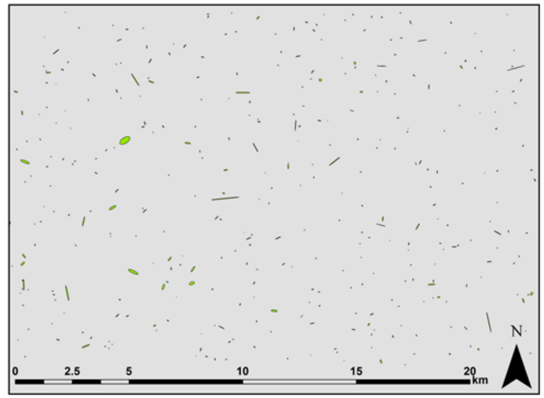
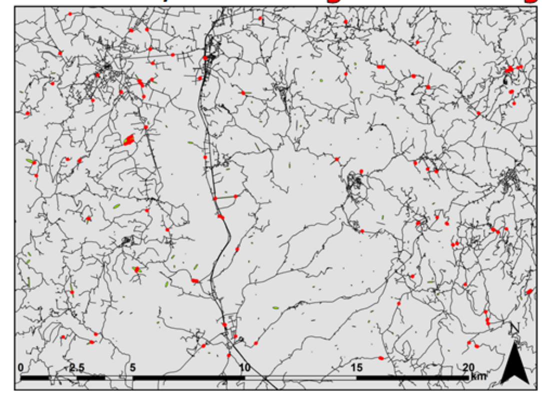


C. Collazone Road Network, Simulated Landslides, & Resulting Road Blockages



- 400 km^2 region, 1359 km of roads.
- 400 'simulated' landslides dropped.
- On average: One landslide blocked road for every 12.5 km of roads.
- Event of similar magnitude (Guzzetti *et al.*, 2003): 1 landslide per 13 km of roads.

Figures: courtesy of Faith Taylor.

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VIDEO of Collazone (Italy) Simulation of Landslides Interacting with Road Networks

25 km (approx.)

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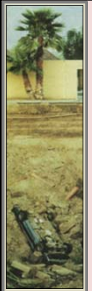

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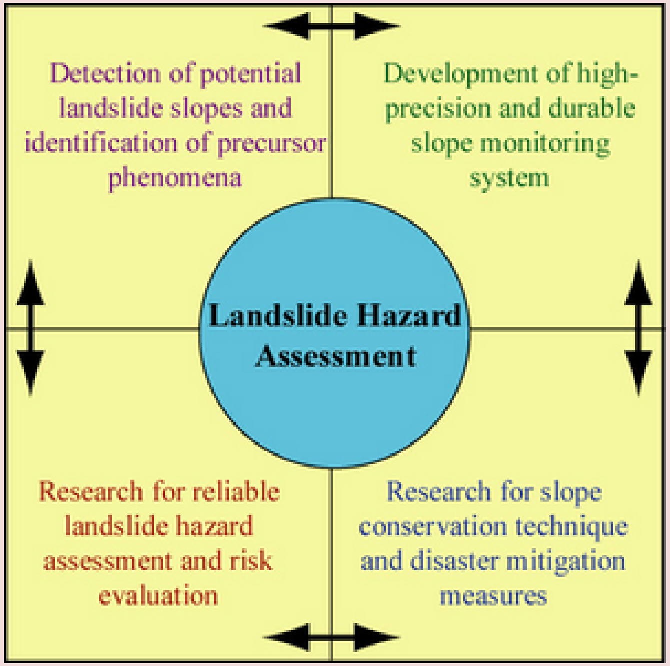


http://www.unicaen.fr/mountainrisks/spip/spip.php?article11

6. Hazard Assessment of Mass Wasting

- **Mass-wasting events can be extremely hazardous and result in extensive loss of life and property.**
- **In most cases:**

(i) ***Areas prone to such hazards can be recognized with some geologic knowledge.***

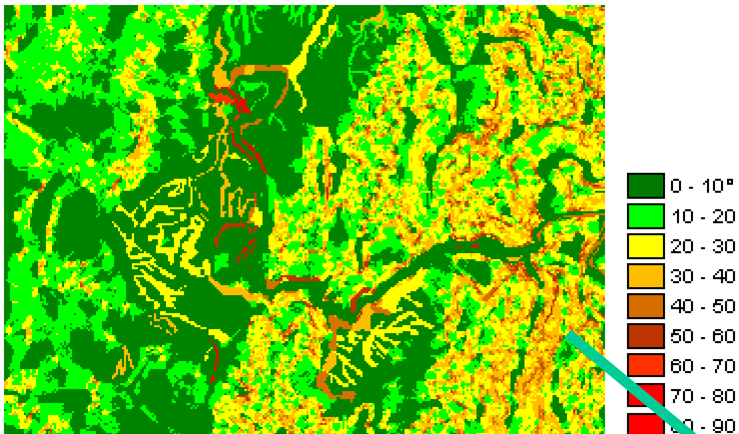
(ii) ***Slopes can be stabilized or avoided.***

(iii) ***Warning systems can be put in place that minimize the hazard.***

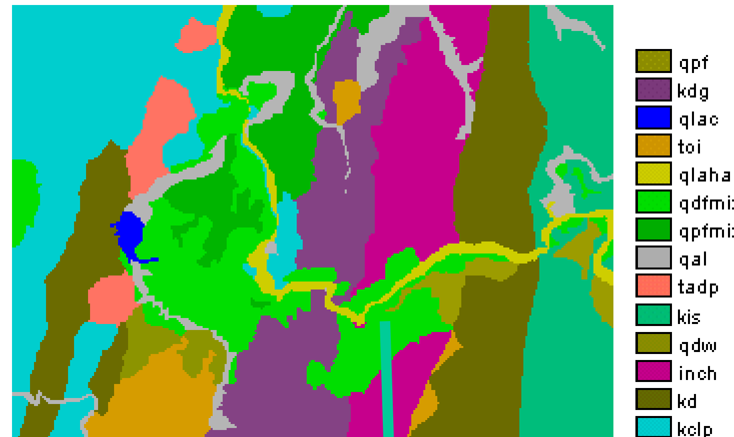
6. Hazard Assessment of Mass Wasting

Chinchiná area, department of Caldas, central Colombia

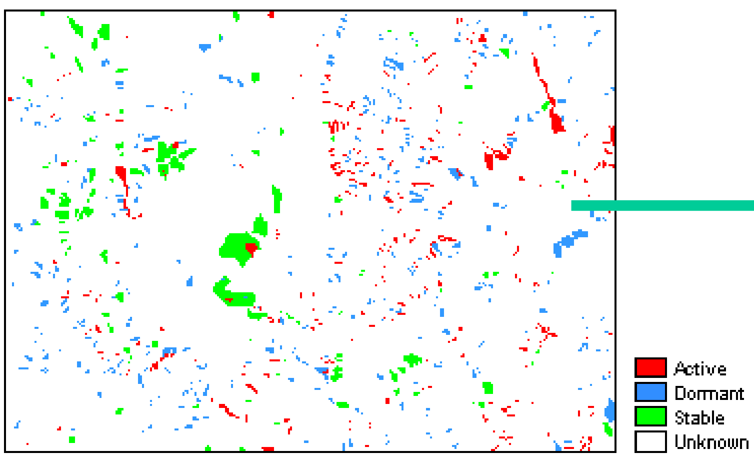
Slope map



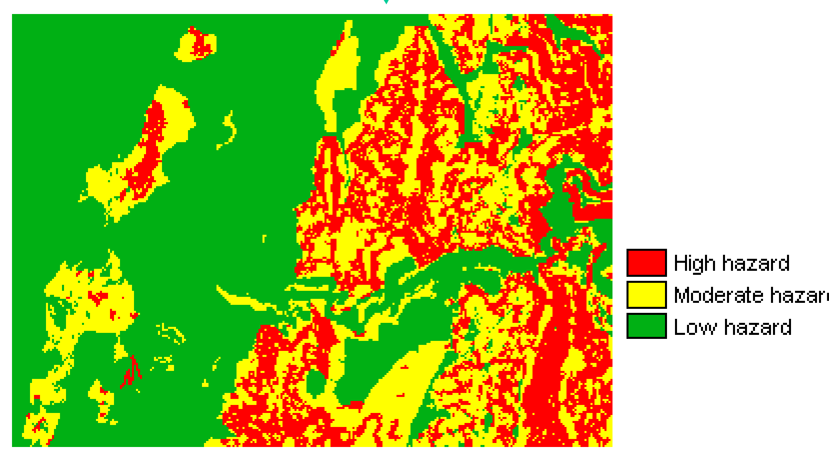
Geological map



Landslide map



Landslide hazard map



(http://www.itc.nl/ilwis/applications/application05.asp)

6. Hazard Assessment of Mass Wasting

- ***Many case histories of mass-wasting disasters:*** **looking at event in hindsight shows us that *hazardous conditions* and *previous history of mass wasting* existed prior to the event.**

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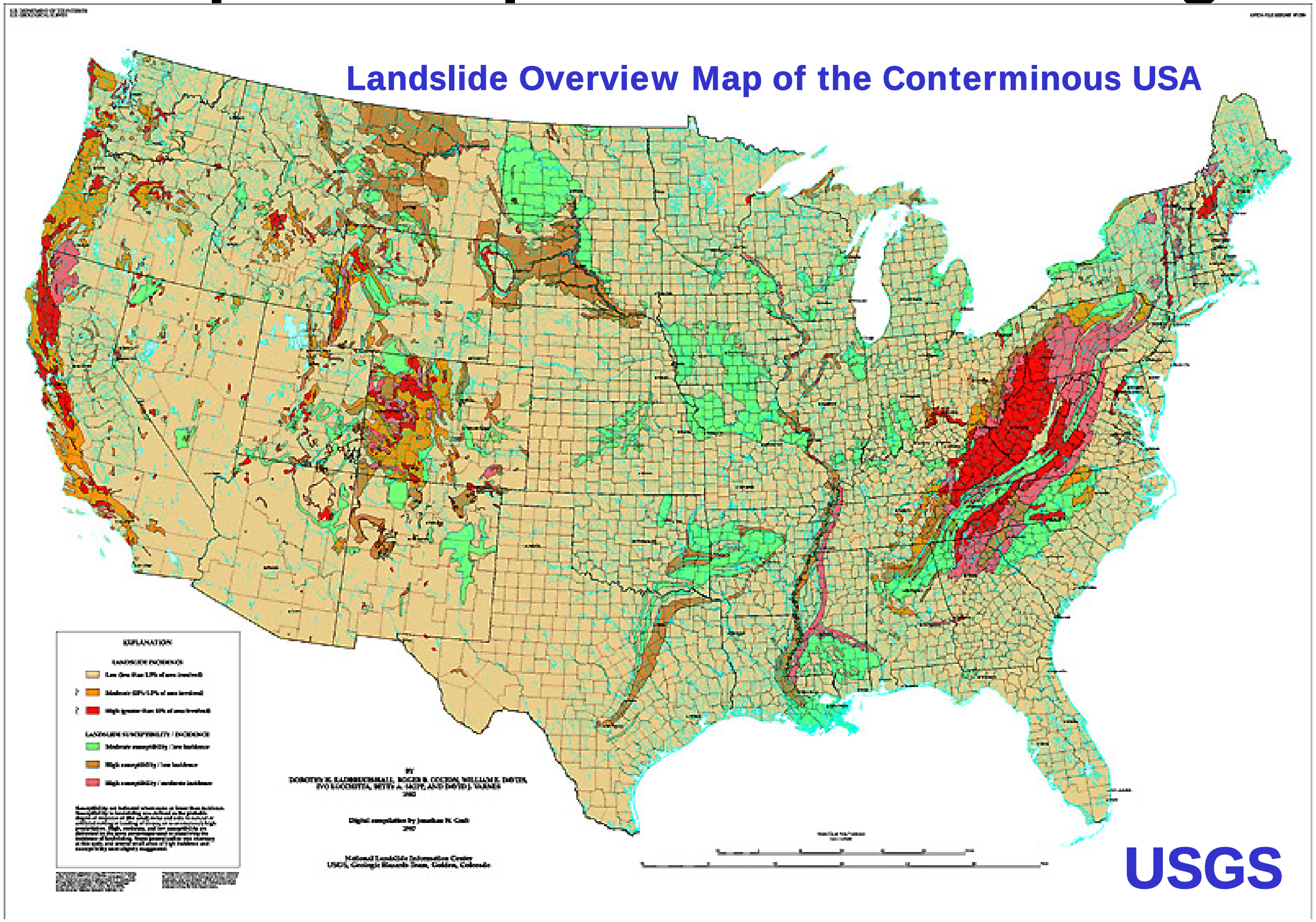
- *If resources available*, construct maps of all areas prone to possible mass-wasting.



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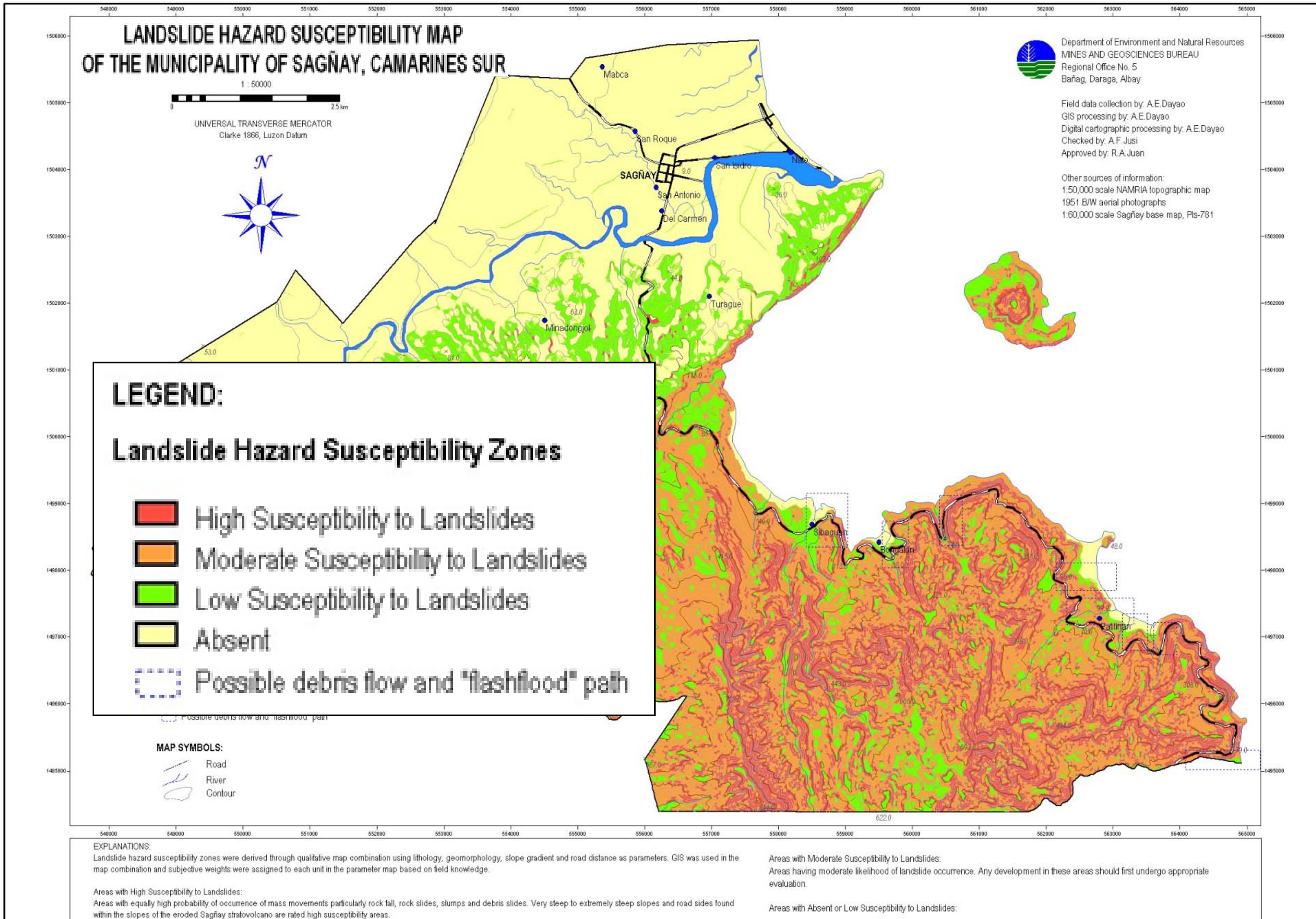

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6. Hazard Assessment of Mass Wasting

- **Planners can use such hazards maps to:**
  - **make decisions about land use policies**
  - **take steps can be taken to stabilize slopes to attempt to prevent a disaster.**
- ***What are the barriers to making these hazard maps in ALL mass-wasting prone region of the world?***

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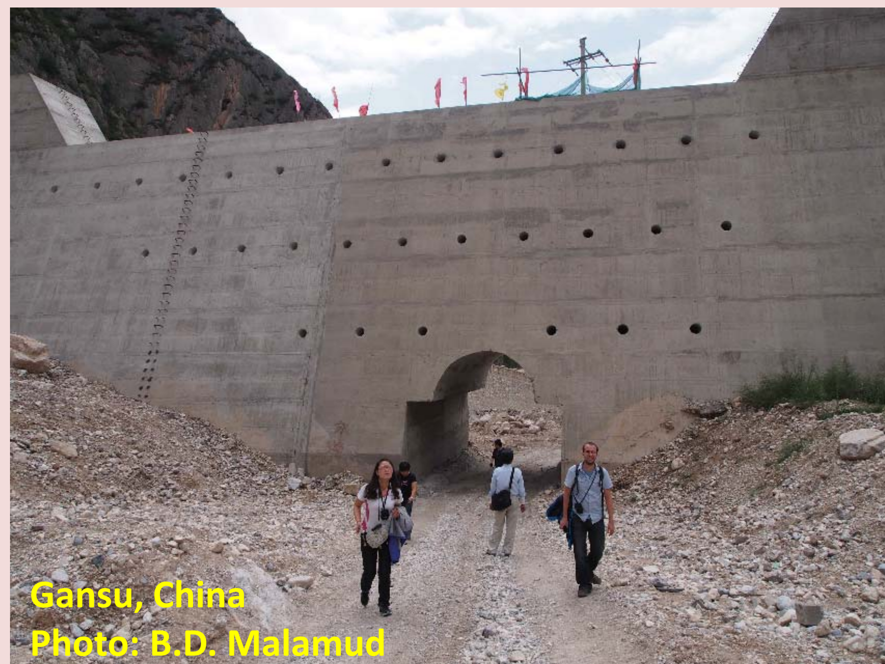

Gansu, China
Photo: B.D. Malamud

7. Prevention & Mitigation of Mass Wasting

- ***Slope Assessment:***
  - ***All slopes are susceptible to mass-wasting hazards if a triggering event occurs.***
  - ***Thus, all slopes should be assessed for potential mass-wasting hazards*.**
- **Mass-wasting events can sometimes be avoided by employing *engineering techniques* to make slope more stable.**
- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples*:**

  (i) Steep slopes can be covered or sprayed with *SHOTCRETE*, CONCRETE, or METAL MESH.

  (ii) *RETAINING WALLS* can be built to stabilize slope*.*

7. Prevention & Mitigation of Mass Wasting

- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples (SHOTCRETE)***

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- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples (SHOTCRETE)***

http://www.geotechnical-engineer.com/landslide-prevention.html

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- *Engineering mitigation technique examples (RETAINING WALLS)*

Scotia Hollow Road, Allegheny County, Pennsylvania, USA

http://www.earthincorp.com/projects.html

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- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples***

Taiwan [Photo B. D. Malamud]

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- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples*:**

(iii) *DEBRIS CHUTES* can be used to channel flows.

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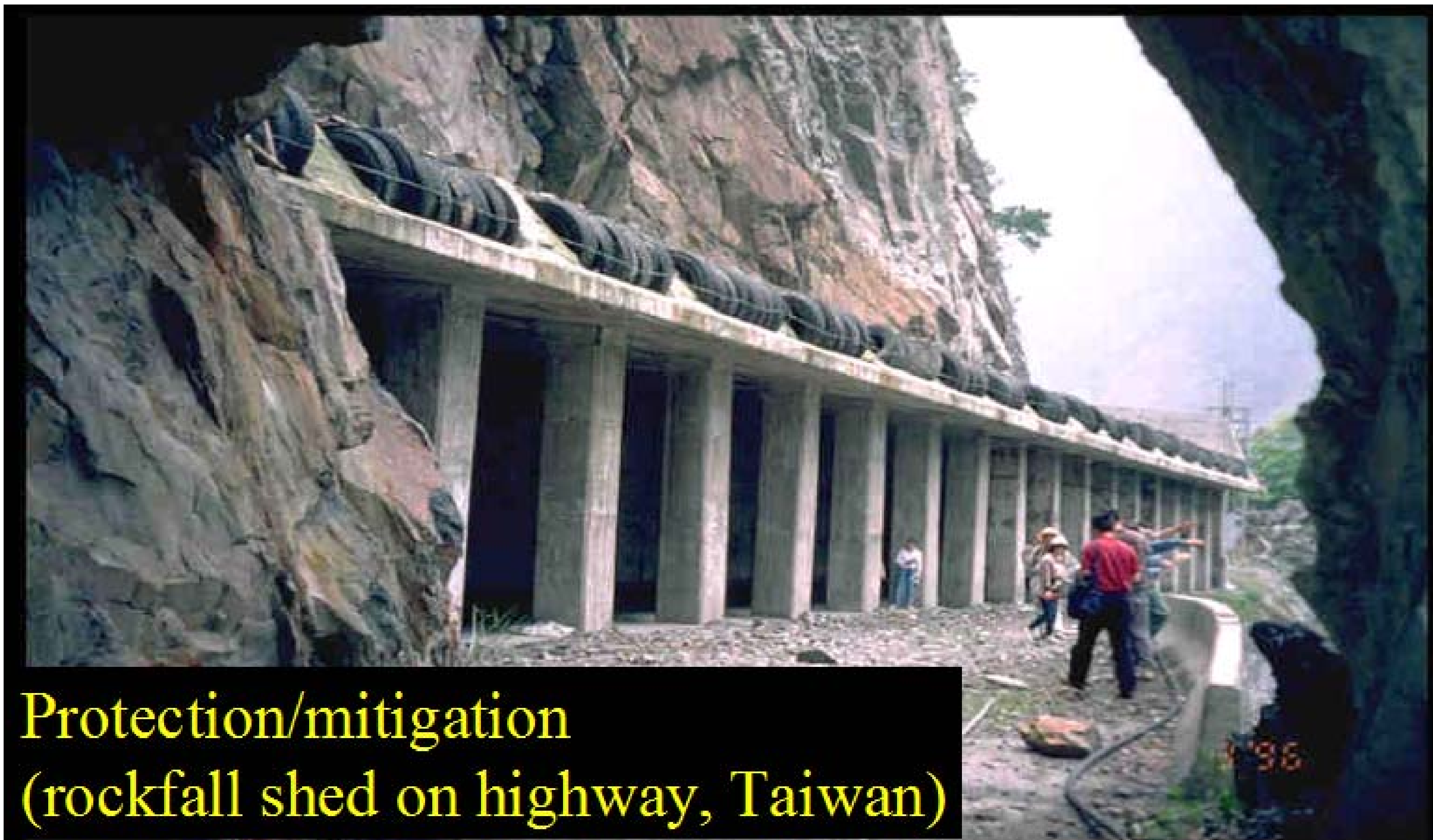
- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples*:**

(iv) *ROCKFALL SHEDS* can protect road/railway.



Protection/mitigation (rockfall shed on highway, Taiwan)

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- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples*:**

  (v) *Drainage pipes* inserted in slope to more easily allow water to get out [thus avoiding fluid pressure increase, liquefaction possibility, or increased weight due to water addition].

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- ***Engineering mitigation technique examples***:
  - (vi) ***Over-steepened slopes could be graded*** **to reduce the slope to the natural angle of repose.**
- ***Other mitigation technique examples***:
  - (i) **In mountain valleys subject to mudflows, plans could be made to *rapidly lower levels of water in human-made reservoirs* to catch and trap the mudflows.**
  - (ii) ***Land use planning*****: humans should avoid high risk areas (*what might be problem with implementation of this?*).**

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➢ *Other mitigation technique examples*:

(iii) *WARNING SIGNS*.

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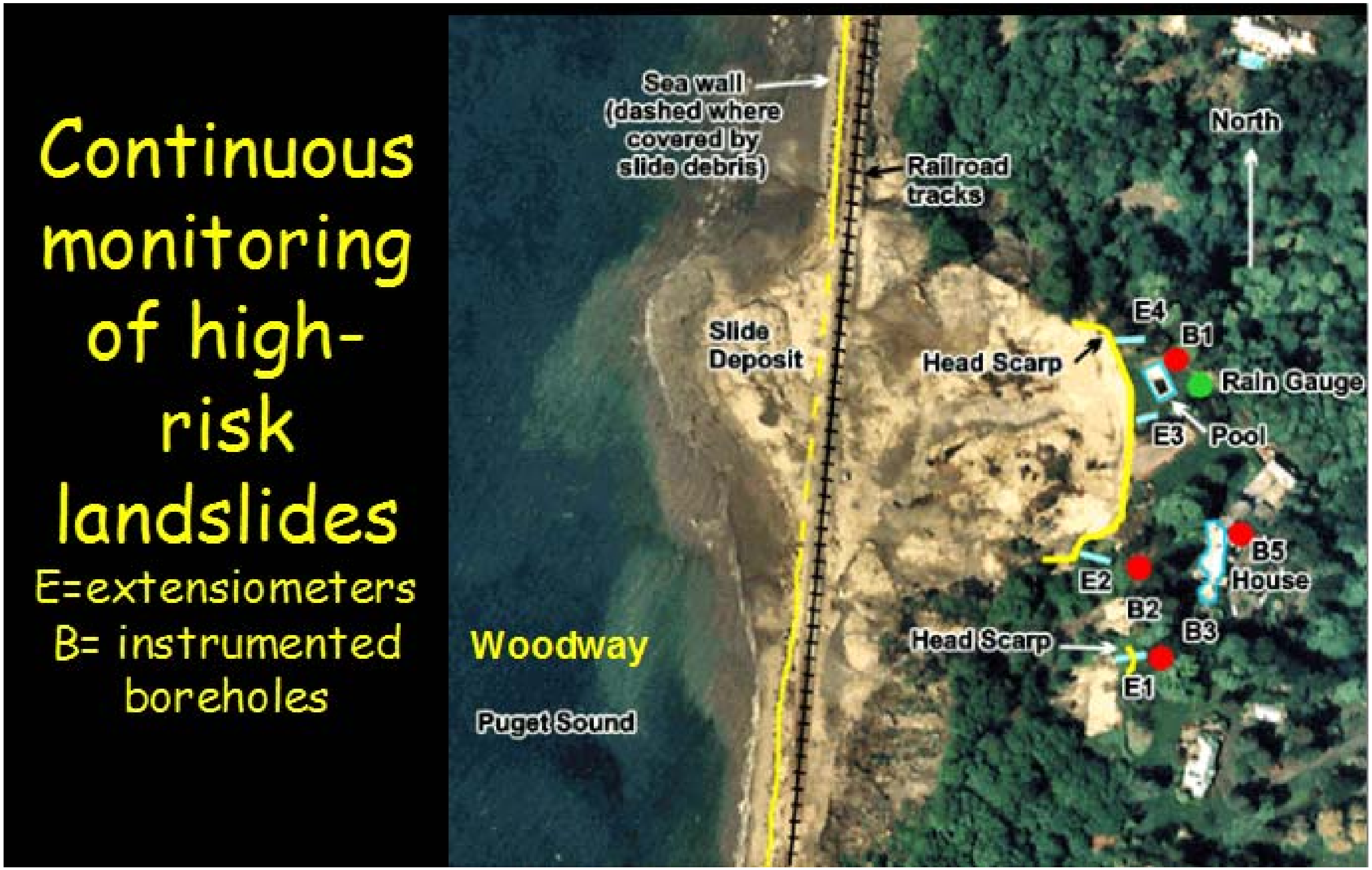
- ***Other mitigation technique examples***:

  (iv) ***MONITOR high risk slopes***.



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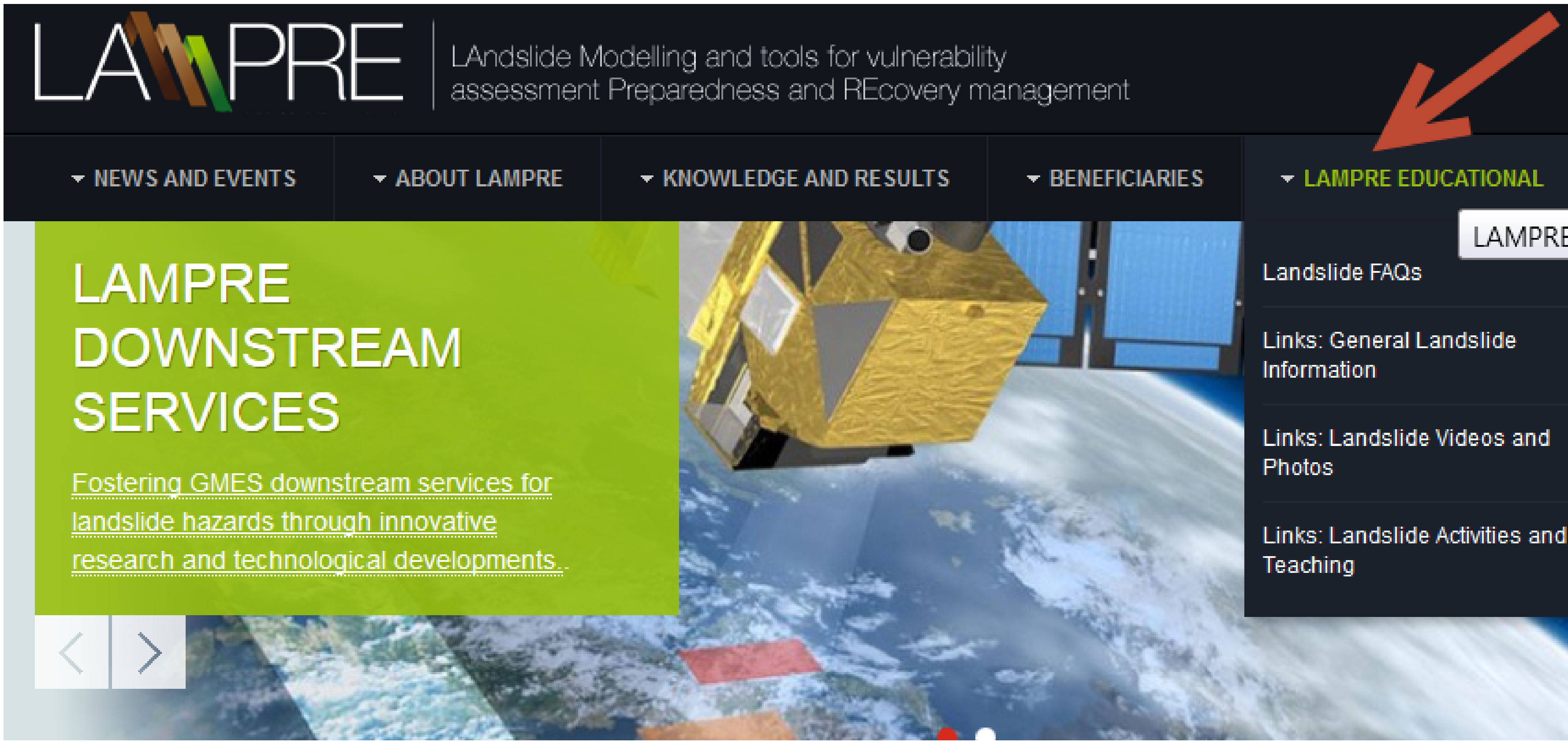

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Landslides FAQs

[Click on the question to see the answer]

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- Q01. What are landslides?
- Q02. What causes landslides?
- Q03. What causes landslides in Europe ?
- Q04. Where do landslides occur?
- Q05. What is a triggered landslide event?
- Q06. What are the different types of landslides?
- Q07. What to do before a landslide or debris flow occurs?
- Q08. How would you recognize landslide warning signs?
- Q09. What to do during a landslide?
- Q10. What to do after a landslide?
- Q11. A landslide has occurred on/near my property. Whom should I report this to?
- Q12. How soon does the danger of landslides end after the rain stops?
- Q13. What are the consequences of landslides?
- Q14. Is there any way to prevent landslides?
- Q15. Do you think that it is possible to predict in general where landslides can occur?
- Q16. Will natural disasters related to landslides increase in the future for Europe?
- Q17. What measures should be taken by the government of any country in terms of framing policies to minimize the risk of landslide damage in a region ?
- Q18. Can landslides trigger tsunami?
- Q19. Are snow avalanches landslides?
- Q20. What is a landslide susceptibility map?
- Q21. What is a landslide inventory map?
- Q22.What is a landslide risk map?
- Q23.What is a landslide hazard map?
- Q24. Where to go for more information on landslides (further links of information)
- Q25. I am interested in studying/reading more about landslides, what are some useful starting places? (For example, key books, what "key words" should students search for).

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Landslides FAQs

[Click on the question to see the answer]

Q01. What are landslides? Click to collapse

A01. A landslide is defined by *Cruden (1991)* for the Working Party on World Landslide Inventory as a movement of a mass of rock, earth or debris down a slope. Landslides are a type of "mass wasting" which denotes any down slope movement of soil and rock under the direct influence of gravity. The term "landslide" encompasses events such as rock falls, topples, slides, spreads, and flows. The size of individual landslides range from metres squared to kilometres squared (about the size of sixty cricket fields!) The speed they travel at ranges from slow (millimetres per year) to very fast (e.g., as fast as 80 kilometres per hour for debris flows).

An active landslide in the Gansu Province of China (Credit: Bruce D Malamud, 2012). A video of this landslide can be found at Vimeo.

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Linkography of general information about landslides

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BeSafe.net (2013) Landslides FAQ

Extensive FAQs about landslides designed for the public and teachers.

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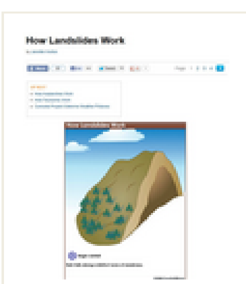
How Stuff Works (2013) How Landslides Work.



Clear explanation of landslide types and causes including underwater landslides.

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Web Links: Landslide Videos and Photos

A collection of links with photo and video resources about Landslides phenomena.

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[VIDEO] A large rock fall occurred on 21 January 2014 in the village of Termeno (Tramin), South Tyrol, I

The rock fall detached from a rock cliff at about 700 m elevation, and travelled at high speed about one downslope. A very large boulder destroyed a barn, and a second – even larger boulder – stopped near Other boulders stopped at various heights along the landslide path. The rock fall caused the evacuation family. The extraordinary video was taken by a drone.

[VIDEO] Prof. Bruce Malamud Three Minute Thursday

Prof. Bruce Malamud from the Department of Geography, King's College London, talks about the many

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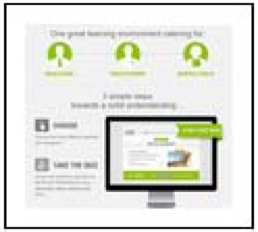
[Australian Geomechanics (2013) Landslide Risk Management Education Empowerment]



Quizzes and detailed answers about landslides.

[Australian Government (2011) Geoscience Australia. Teachers Notes and Student Activities]

Comprehensive pack of student activities.

[Discovery Education (2013) Lesson Plan: Landslides]

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Gansu, China landslide 13 September 2012

(Video B.D. Malamud, http://vimeo.com/50837463)