
Fishfriendly Innovative Technologies for Hydropower (FIThydro)

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Key Facts

- 26 partners (13 research, 13 industrial) in 10 European countries
- Total **Budget**: 7.2 Mio. Euro
- FIThydro addresses **decision support** in commissioning and operating hydropower plants (HPP) by use of existing and innovative **technologies**.
- The project investigates **mitigation** measures and strategies to develop cost-efficient environmental solutions for **sustainable** and **fish friendly** hydropower.
- **Case study regions**: France/Belgium, Portugal/Spain, Scandinavia and the Alpine Region.

Homepage: www.fithydro.eu

Partners

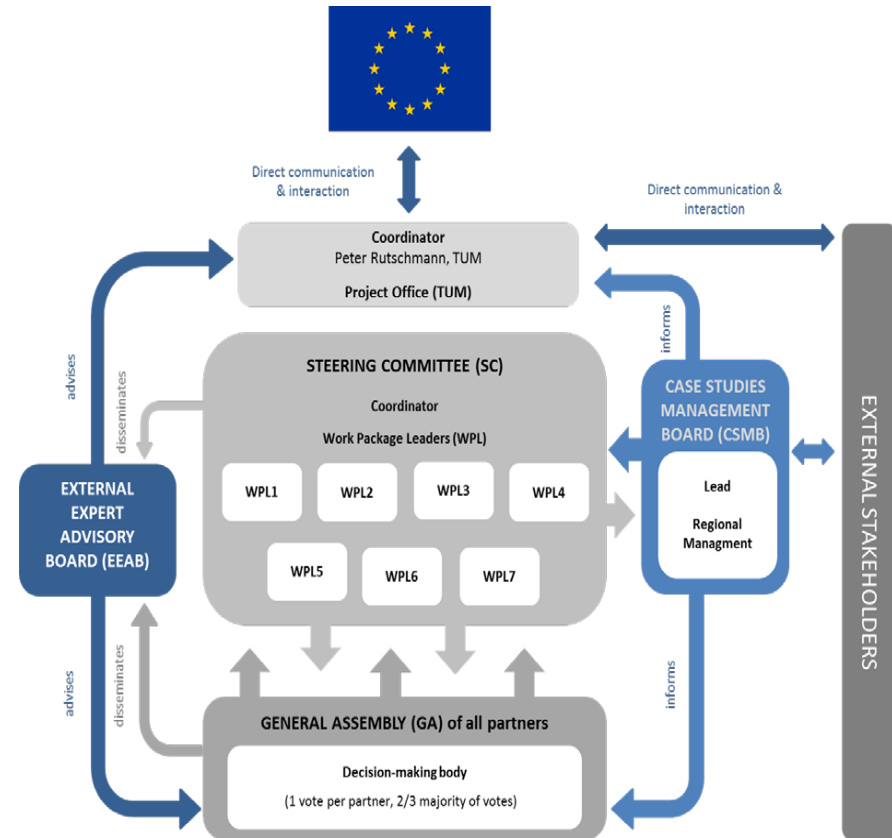


Objectives

1. Bringing together **all disciplines** related to hydropower.
2. Assessing the response and resilience of **fish populations** in HPP affected rivers.
3. **Environmental** impact assessment and species protection.
4. Improving fish and fisheries impact **mitigation strategies** using conventional and innovative **cost efficient** measures.
5. Enhancing methods models and tools to cope with EU obligation.
6. Identifying **bottlenecks of HPPs** and deriving cost efficient mitigation strategies.
7. Risk based Decision Support System (**DSS**) for planning, **commissioning and operating** of HPPs.
8. Enhancing problem awareness and objectiveness of **policy implementer**, NGOs and the public

Management Structure

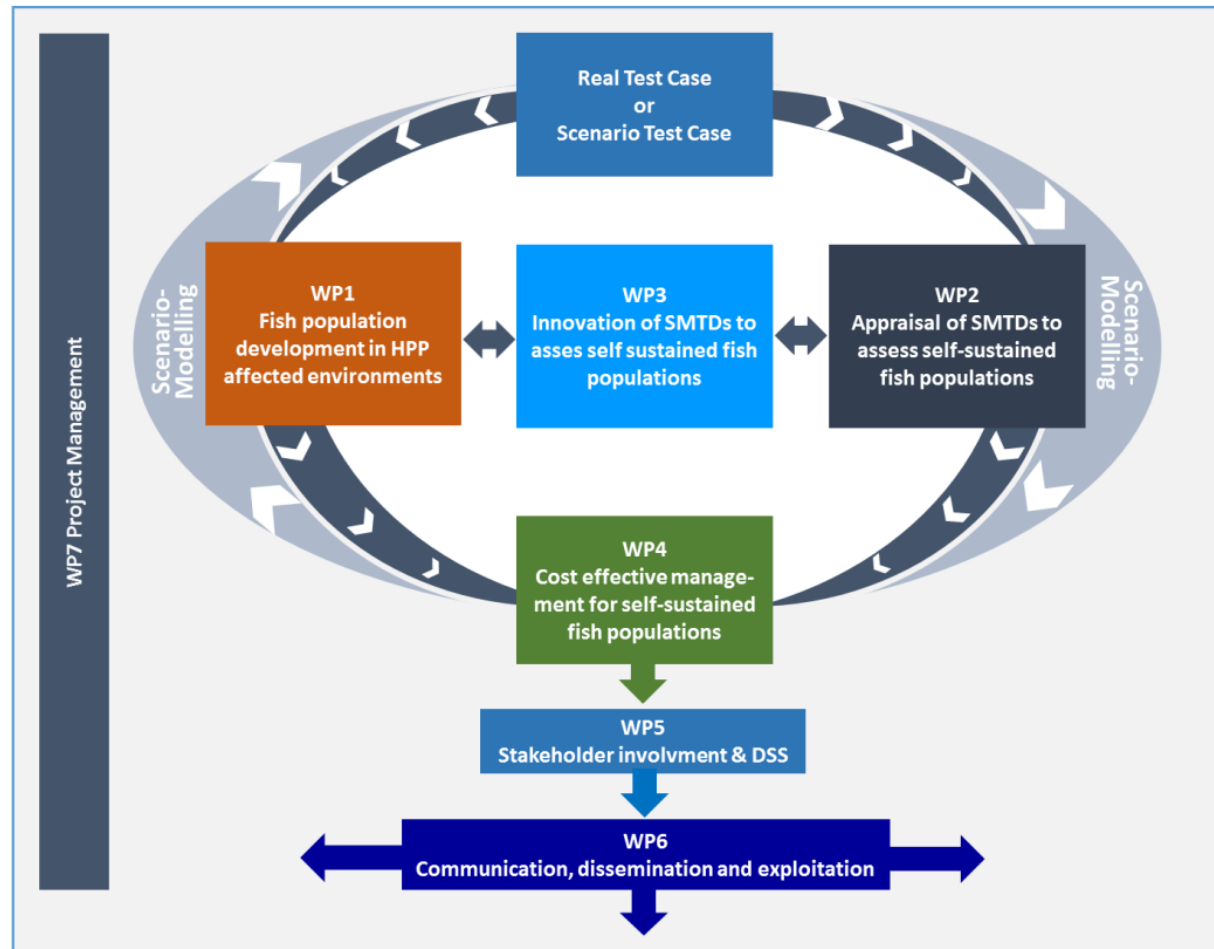
- **The Coordinator (CO)**
- **General Assembly (GA)**
- **Steering Committee (SC)**
- **The Case Studies Management Board (CSMB)** which is responsible for the management of the case studies.
- **The External Expert Advisory Board (EEAB)**







Work Packages

WP Number	WP Title	Start month
WP1	Fish population development in HP effected environments	6 - FVB.IGB
WP2	The appraisal of existing solutions, models, tools and devices to assess (the) self-sustained fish population(s) at the test case HPP in each of the four regions	3 - CNRS
WP3	The innovation of solutions, models, tools and devices to assess self-sustained fish population(s) at the test case HPP in each of the four regions	2 – IST
WP4	Cost effective management strategies to improve the development of self- sustained fish populations at existing and new HPPs	8 - SER
WP5	Stakeholder involvement & decision- support system	11 - EI
WP6	Communication, Dissemination and Exploitation	1 - TUM
WP7	Management of the Project	1 - TUM
WP8	Ethics requirements	1 - TUM

Work Packages

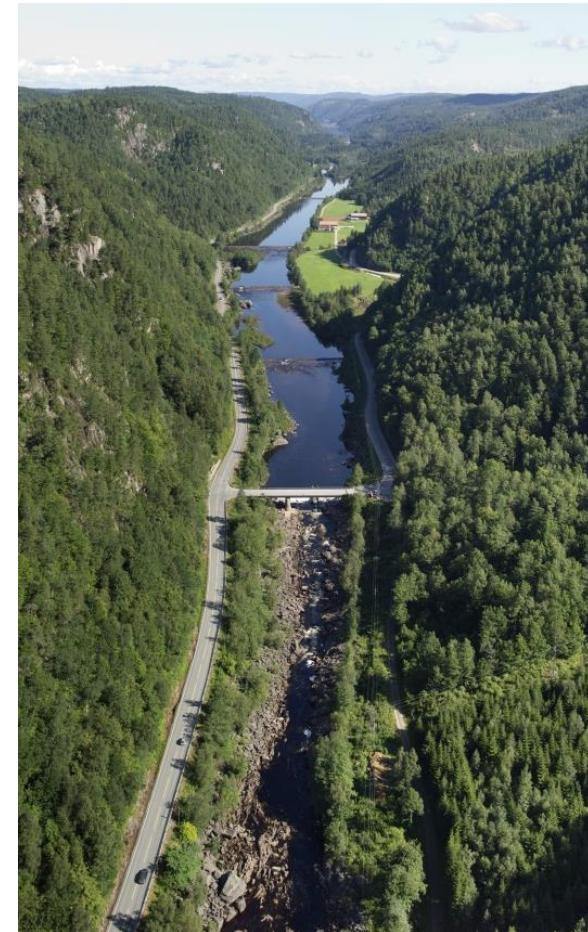


Test Cases

HPP	River / Country	HPP Data	Fish species / species at risk	Test case topics		Innovative SMTDs	Main Partners	Comments	Picture
				Hydraulics:	Population / Habitat:				
Freudenau	Danube	Discharge [m³/s]	Barbel, Nase	Fish migration	Habitat improvement	Methods		Operation and maintenance optimization, beaver management	
		3000.0							
	Operator	Head [m]							
	Verbund	8.6							
Budget	Austria	Capacity [MW]				WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4			
ca. 150000€		172.0							
HPP Ham	Albert canal	Discharge [m³/s]	Bream, Roach, Perch, Pike, Pikeperch	Fish migration Innov. Devices Turbine mortality	Species at risk Self sustained populations	Methods Tools	VLAGEW INBO SJE	Innovative Archimedes screw HPP	
		15.0							
	Operator	Head [m]							
	NV de Scheepvaart	10.0							
Budget	Belgium	Capacity [MW]	Atlantic Salmon, Eel			WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4			
65 000 €		1.2							
Gotein	Saison	Discharge [m³/s]	Brown Trout, Cyprinids, Salmon	Fish migration Attraction flows	Self sustained populations	Solutions Devices	CNRS VLAGEW INBO	Test of bypass efficiency for salmon smolts. Low bar spacing (20mm) and low bar inclination (26%)	
		6.6							
	Operator	Head [m]							
	provided by ONEMA	5.0							
Budget	France	Capacity [MW]	Salmon			WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4			
ca. 75 000€		0.32							
Trois-Ville	Saison	Discharge [m³/s]	Brown Trout, Cyprinids, Salmon	Fish migration Attraction flows	Self sustained populations	Solutions Devices	CNRS VLAGEW INBO VOITH	Test of bypass efficiency for salmon smolts. Low bar spacing (20mm) and low bar inclination (26%)	
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	Operator	Head [m]							
	provided by ONEMA	5.0							
Budget	France	Capacity [MW]	Salmon			WP1, WP2, WP3, WP4			
ca. 80 000€		0.24							

Test Case Challenges

1. Flow and habitat
 - Lack of wetted area
 - Lack of or distribution of spawning habitat
 - Lack of or distribution of rearing habitat
 - Downstream or attraction flow
 - Environmental flow in bypassed reach
 - Hydropeaking
2. Sediments
 - Deficit of sediments
 - Surplus of sediments
 - Clogging of substrate



Test Case Challenges

3. Upstream migration

- Missing fish pass
- Hight drop
- Missing monitoring
- Fish pass discharge
- Missing fishway data
- Fish entrance
- Other

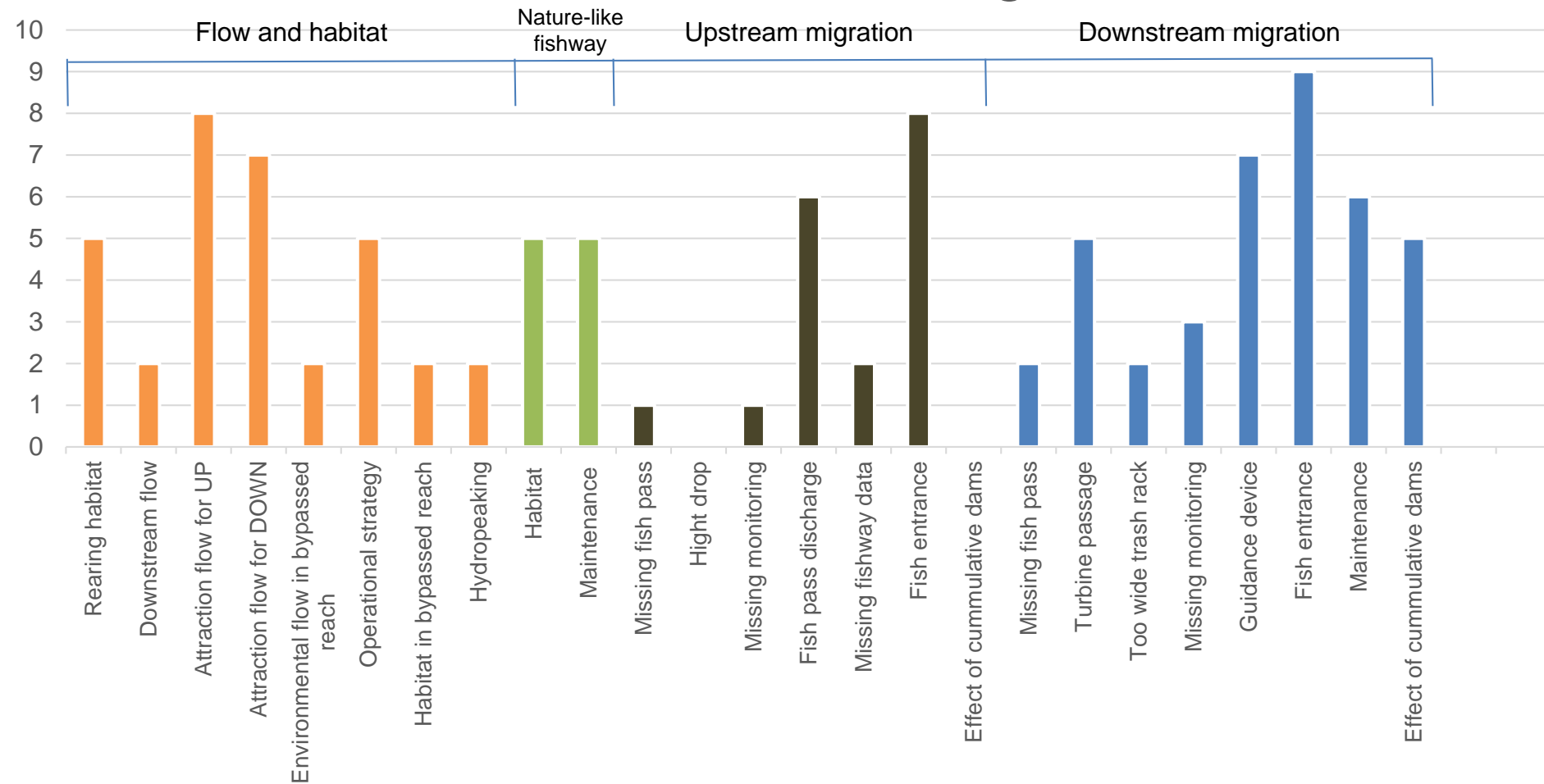


4. Downstream migration

- Missing fish pass
- Turbine passage
- Too wide trash rack
- Missing monitoring
- Missing fishway data
- Fish entrance



Test Case Challenges



FiThydro and AMBER

AMBER:

Adaptive Management of Barriers in European Rivers

[More effective ecosystem restoration in the EU](#)

FiThydro:

Fishfriendly Innovative Technologies for Hydropower

[Developing the next generation technologies of renewable electricity and heating/cooling](#)

Cooperation: FIHydro and AMBER

Technical Cooperation:

- The EU barrier atlas on hydroelectric dams
- Effect of hydropower plants/barriers on the upstream and downstream reach
- Habitat Assessment (Telemetry, Drones)

Cooperation: FIHydro and AMBER

Project Management:

1. Regular communication through their PM's
2. FIHydro and AMBER: Participation in meetings and workshops of the other projects
3. Aim to host a joint meeting in 2020 in Brussels
4. Cooperate to organize additional event. (e.g: WFM)
5. Cooperate to organize Conference sessions

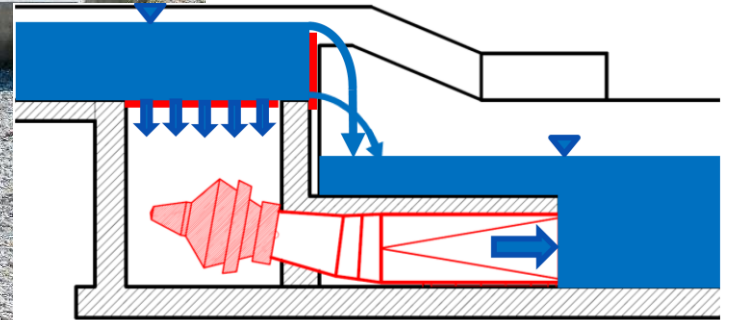
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Dissemination:

1. Website visibility as “related Project”
2. Exchange user networks and subscribe to newsletters to maximize reach and impact.

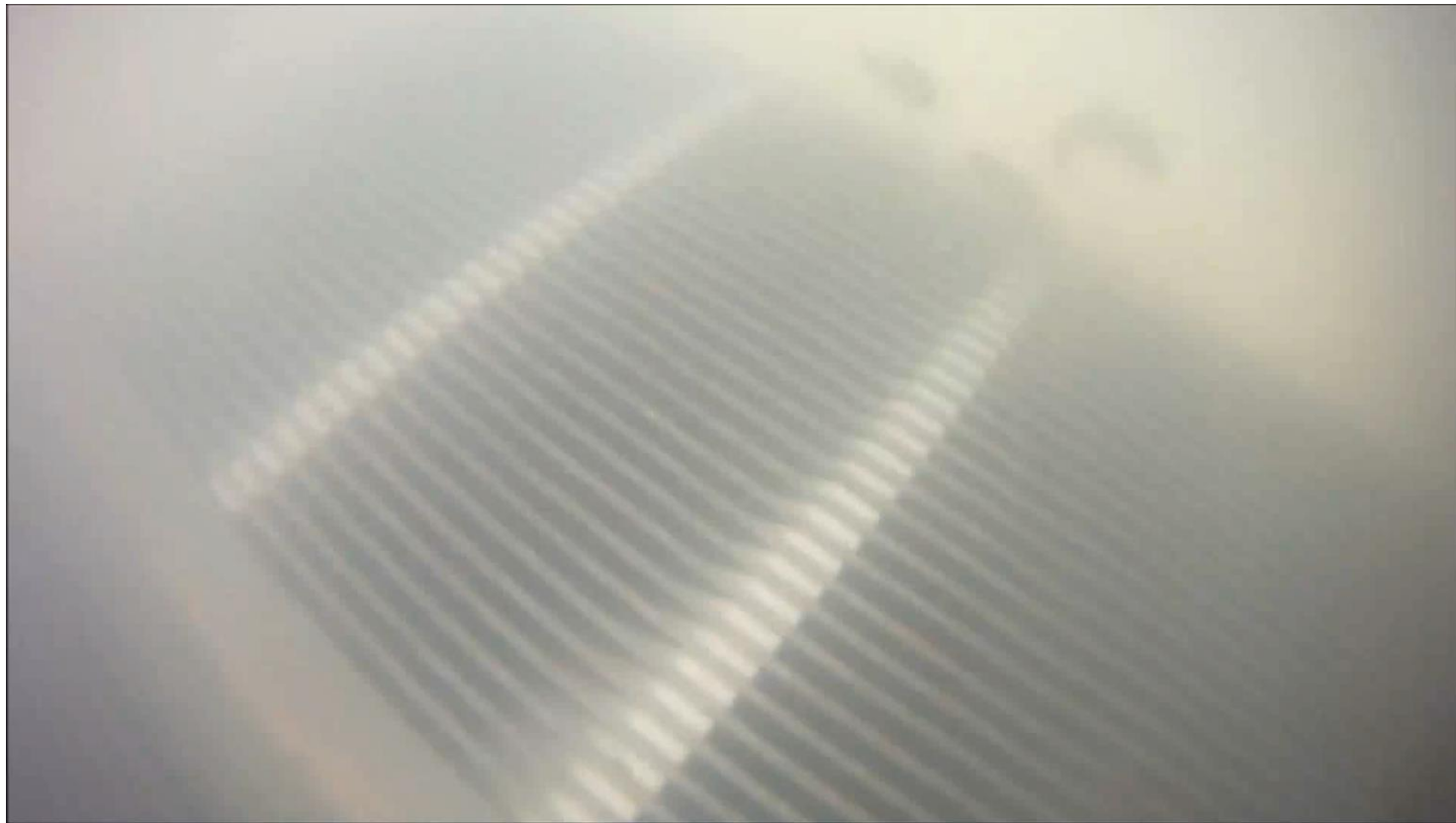
Hydro Shaft Powerplant – Eco Friendly Hydro

Eco-friendly HPP with testing of fish behavior and bypass use and turbine mortality probabilities. The powerplant is not visible and not audible.



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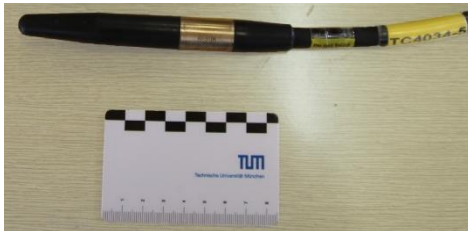


Hydro Acoustic Fish Tracking Concept

- *Pros*
- High range of sound waves in water
- Mobile and flexible measurement setup
- Contactless monitoring
- Chance for continuous monitoring

Equipment

Hydrophones (transmitter and receiver)

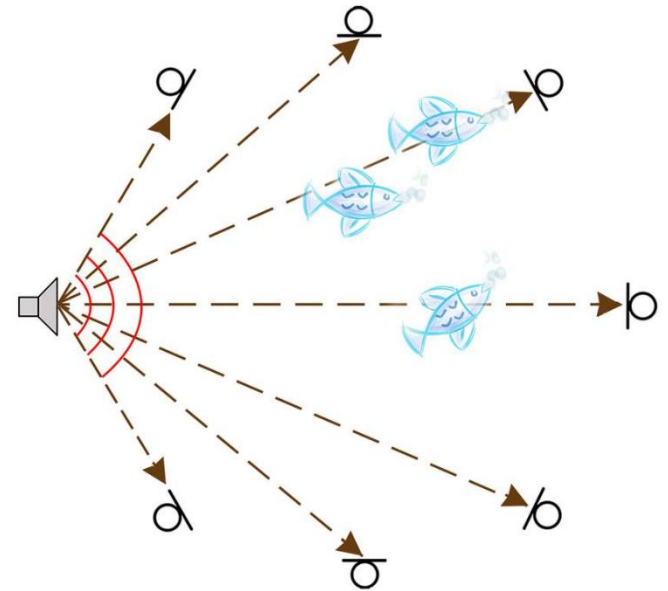


Electric generator

Amplifier (transmitter and receiver)

Digital oscilloscope

patent pending

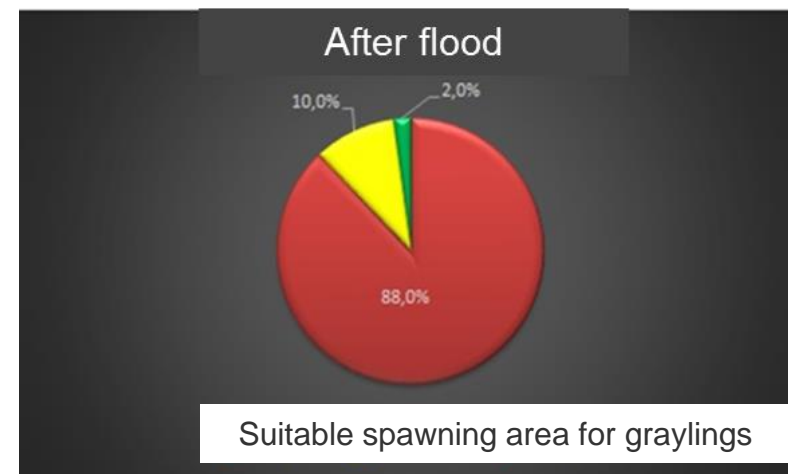
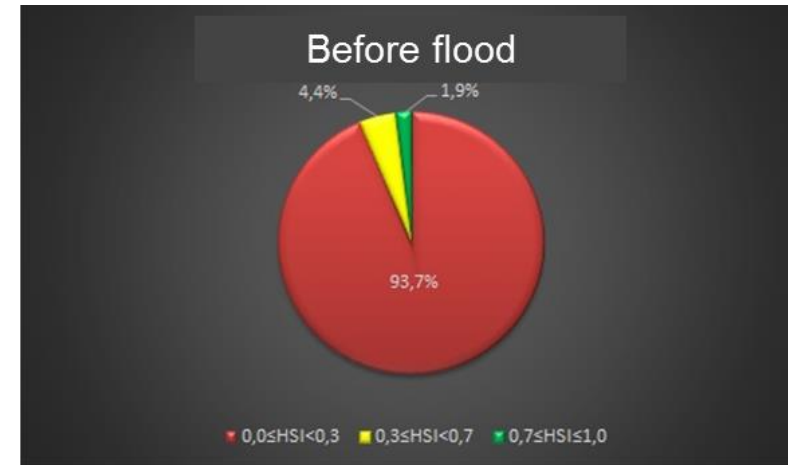
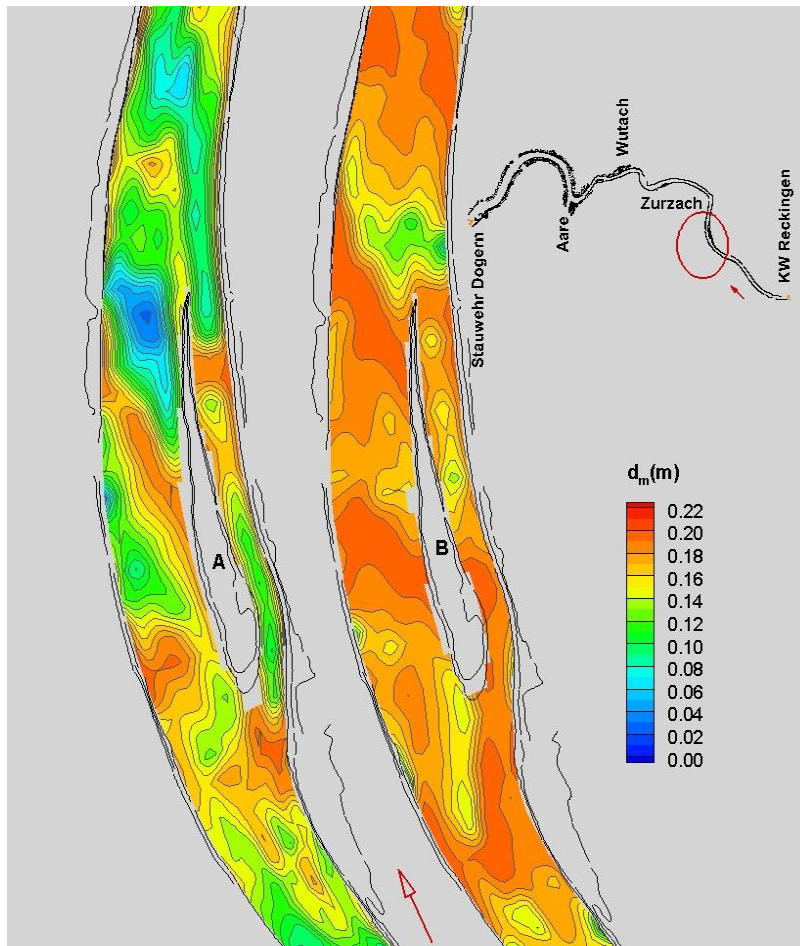


Flexible Hydro Acoustic Measurement Concept

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Fish Habitat and Population Modeling



Fish Habitat and Population Modeling

$$[N_i^{t+1}] = [M] \times [N_i^t]$$

Matrix M changes with time

Changes in time

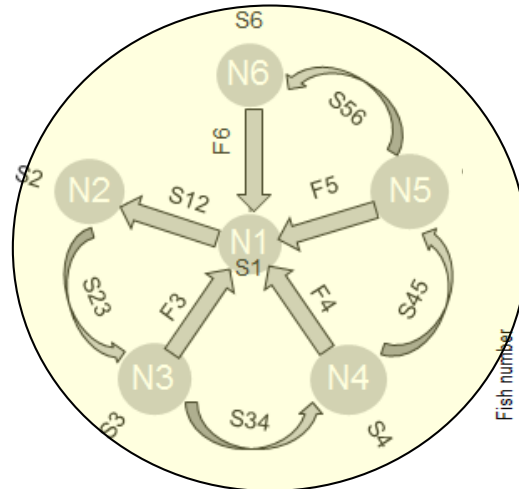
Spawning

No spawning

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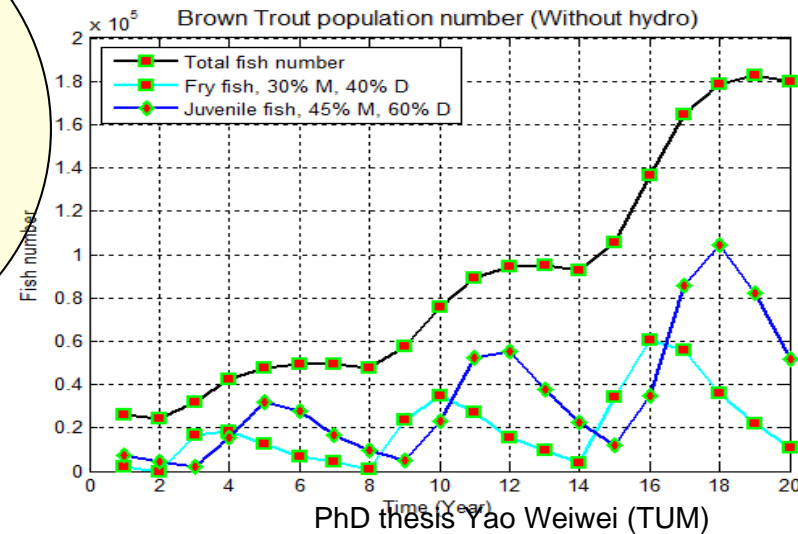
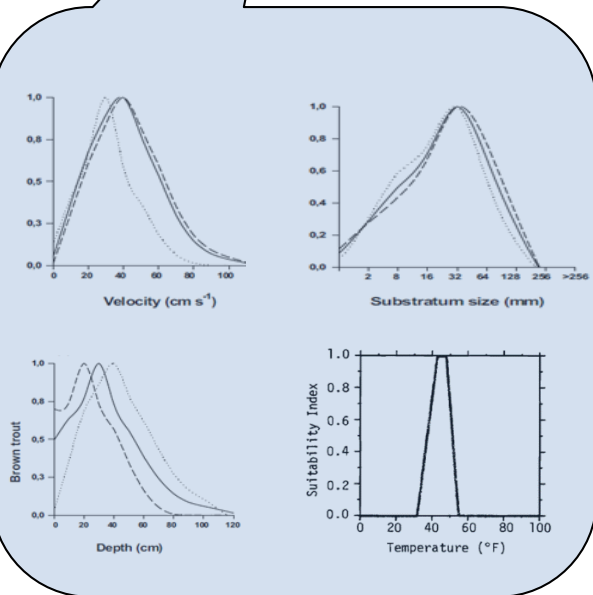
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Life cycles of a population

Preference curves



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Fish Motion in the Flow

FSIM

File Help

Simulation Manager Model Setup Analyze Display

Parameters

General

Finish time

Time step controls

Initial time step

Min time step

Max time step

Physics

Gravity in X

Gravity in Y

Gravity in Z

Fish

Length

Ovoid

X-direction

Y-direction

Z-direction

Speed

Max (burst)

Min (search)

Avoid

Attraction

Initial position

Channel

Flow data

Preview

View controls

X Y Z Zoom

Fish ovoid

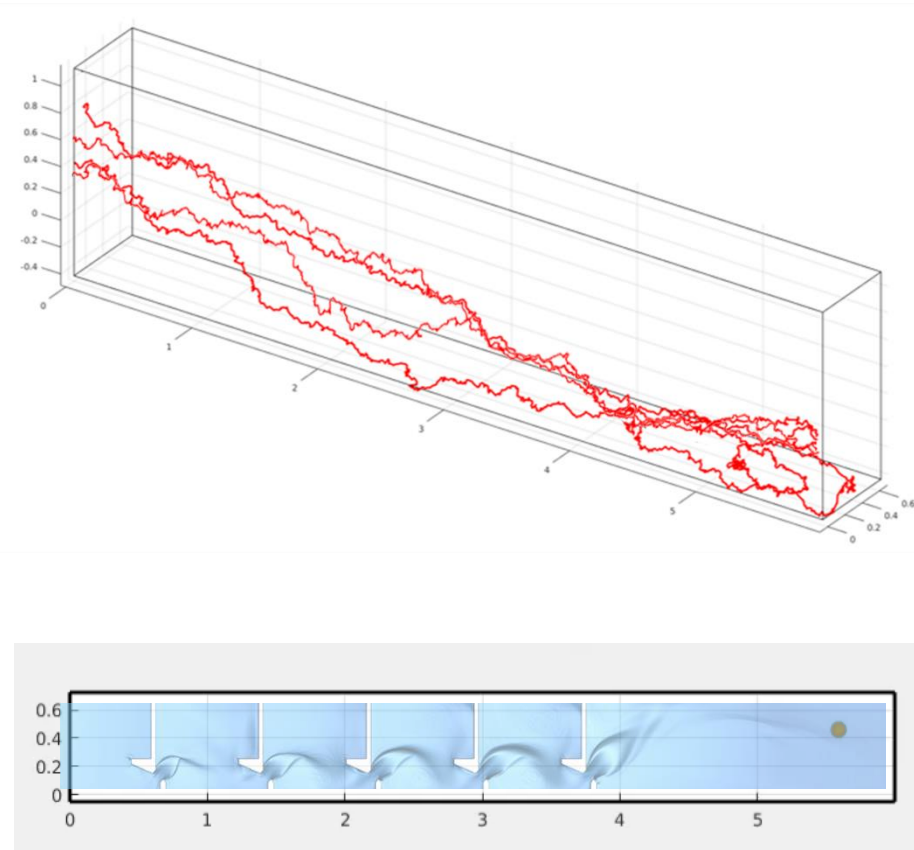
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Fish initial position

Selected

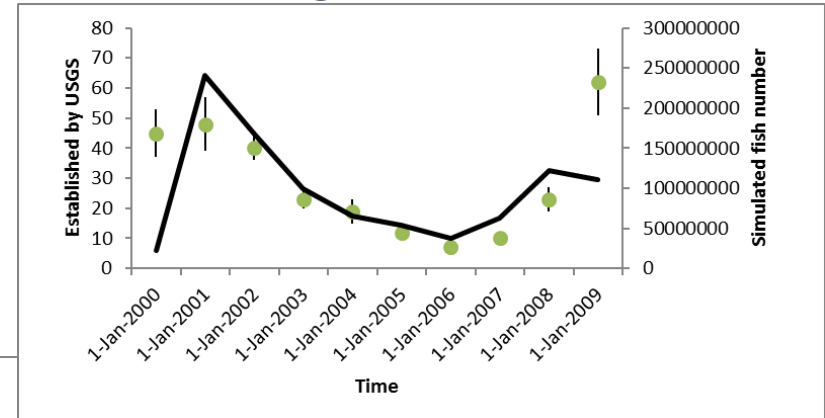
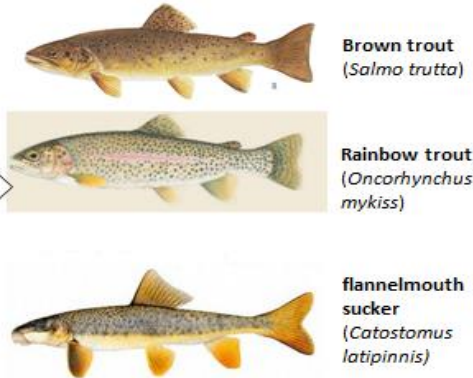
Channel

Selected

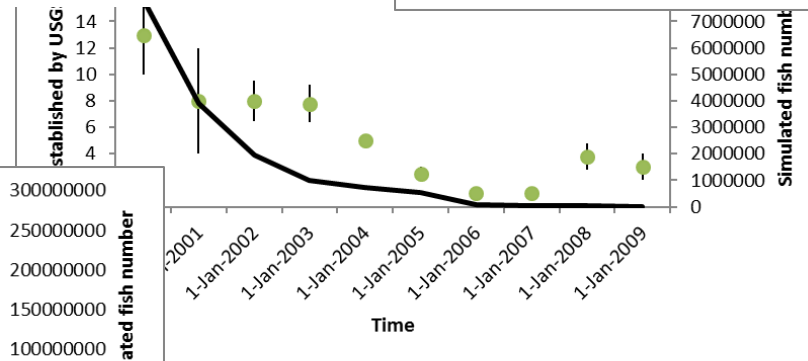


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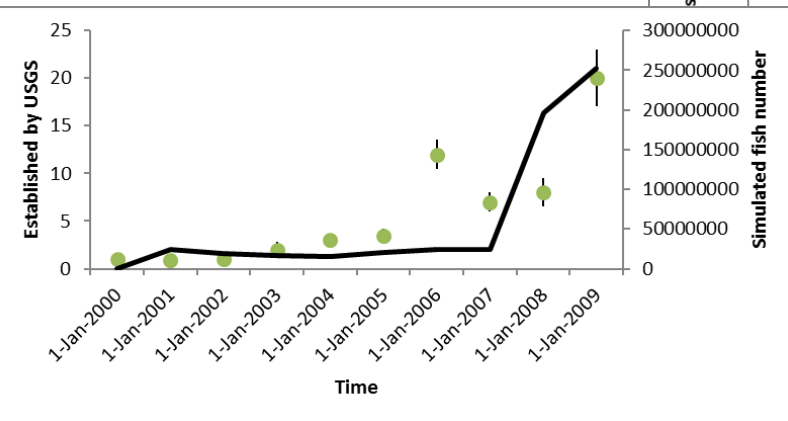
Fish Habitat and Population Modeling - Colorado



Brown trout



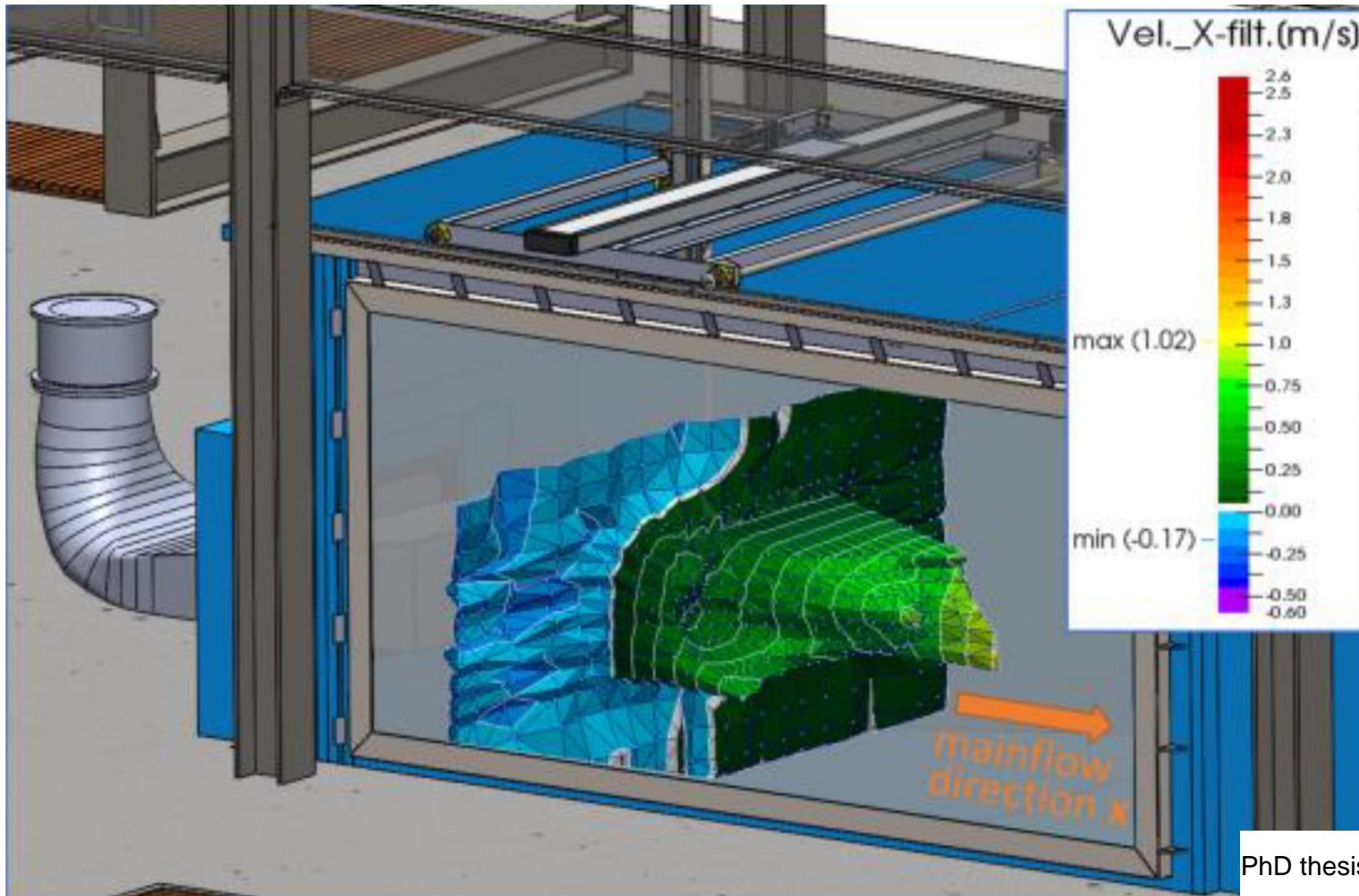
Rainbow trout



Flannelmouth sucker

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Slight off-peak mode operation of turbines (BAW)



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