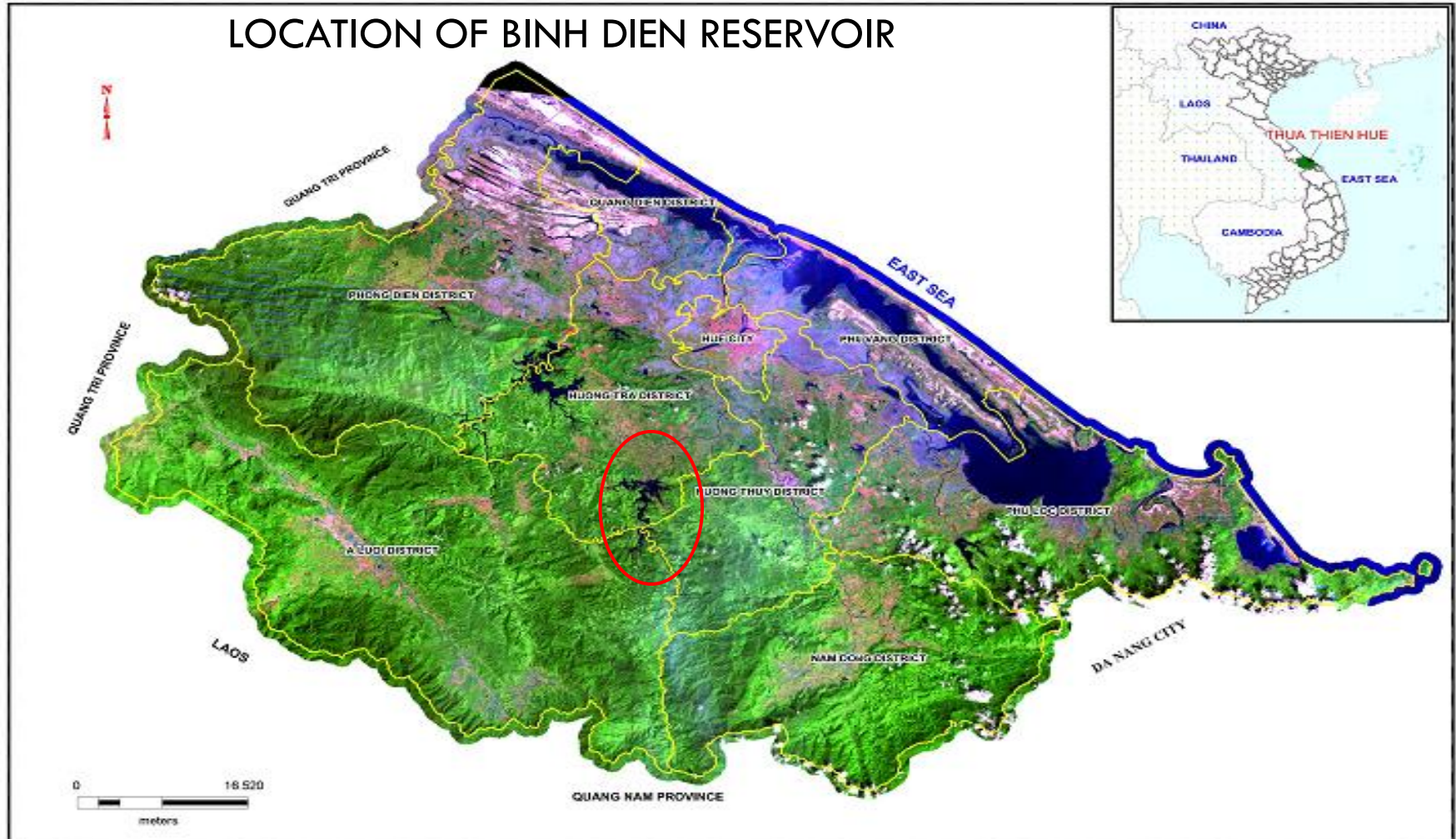


# ECOSYSTEM SERVICE LOSS DUE TO SOIL EROSION IN THE WATERSHED OF BINH DIEN RESERVOIR, VIETNAM

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## LOCATION OF BINH DIEN RESERVOIR



# Importance of Binh Dien Reservoir



1. Electricity generation  
about 175 mil. kWh  
per year

- 2. Flood control in rainy season
- 3. Irrigated water supply for agriculture in dry season



Increasing flow accumulation: 5.8 m/s -> 30m/s



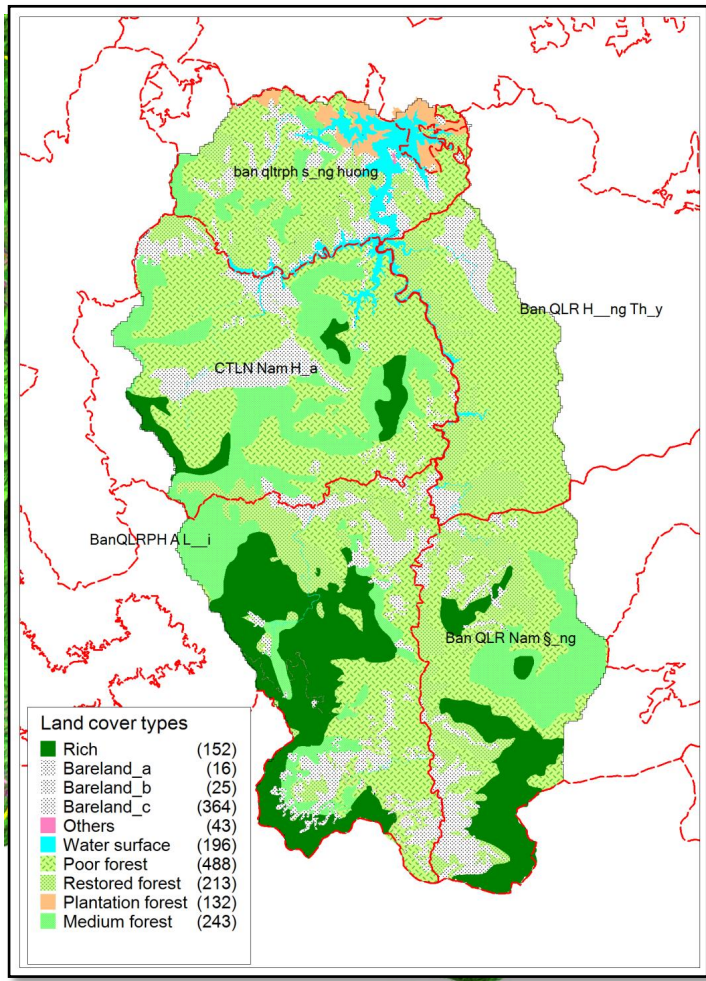
# Binh Dien Reservoir characteristics

- Maximum water level: 85 m
- Death water level: 53 m
- Water capacity: 423.7  $10^6 \text{ m}^3$
- Dam: 87m high, and 335m long

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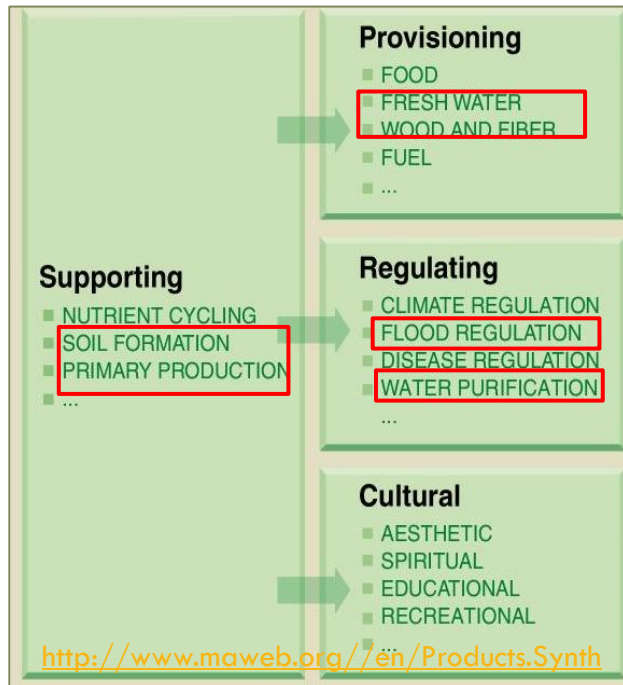
# The watershed of Binh Dien Reservoir



Land cover in Binh Dien watershed

# Ecosystem service vs. soil erosion problem

## Category of ecosystem services



(Millennium Ecosystem Assessment  
Synthesis Report)

Soil erosion

Soil loss

Net  
primary  
productivity  
(NPP)

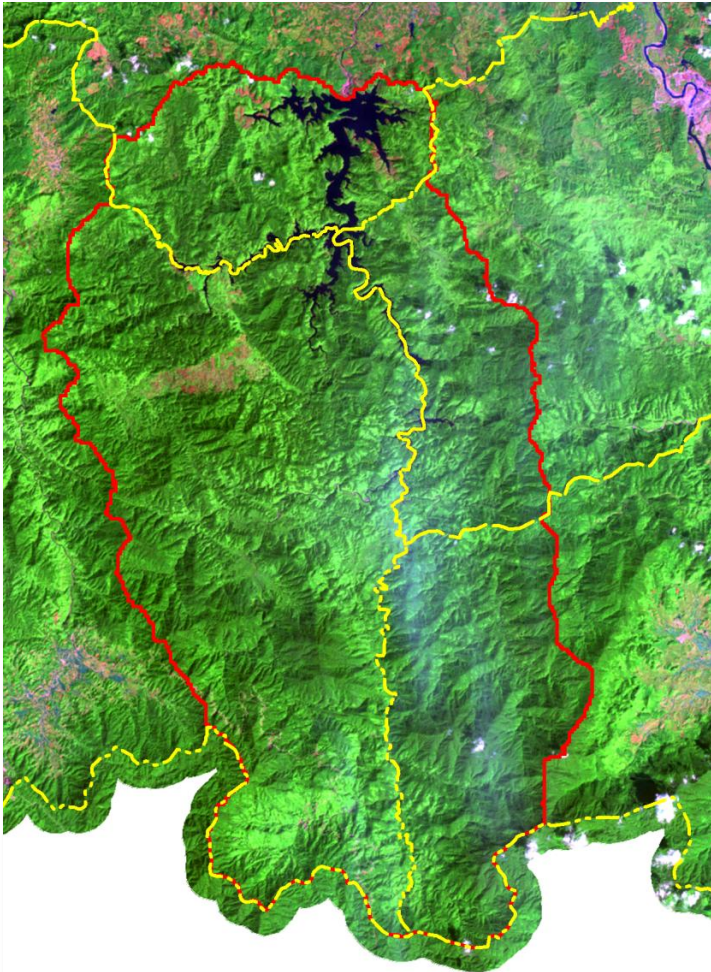
Sedimentation  
in the  
reservoir

1. Soil conservation
2. Water resource
3. Primary production



# The Watershed's Characteristics

Map of Binh Dien watershed



- Area: 500 sq. km
- High and steep sloped topography
- Poor plant cover
  - Bare land: 13%
  - Poor forest: 42%
- High and intensive rainfall
  - Average annual rainfall (1979-2010): 3.203 mm
  - Total amount of rainfall in 4 months (Sep.- Dec.) = 2/3 of annual rainfall

**Highly vulnerable to soil erosion by water**

# Sedimentation in the reservoir





# Review

## 1. Soil erosion description

- ✓ Ho Kiet (1997): Soil erosion on head-watershed protection forest
- ✓ Ho Kiet (1999): soil loss rates on 7 cropping systems

## 2. Soil erosion prediction

- ✓ Ho Kiet (1996): Application of Wischmeier equation to predict soil erosion
- ✓ Ho Kiet (2002): calculating approximately R factor to predict soil erosion

## 3. Soil erosion mapping

- ✓ Pham Huu Ty (2008): soil erosion risk modeling

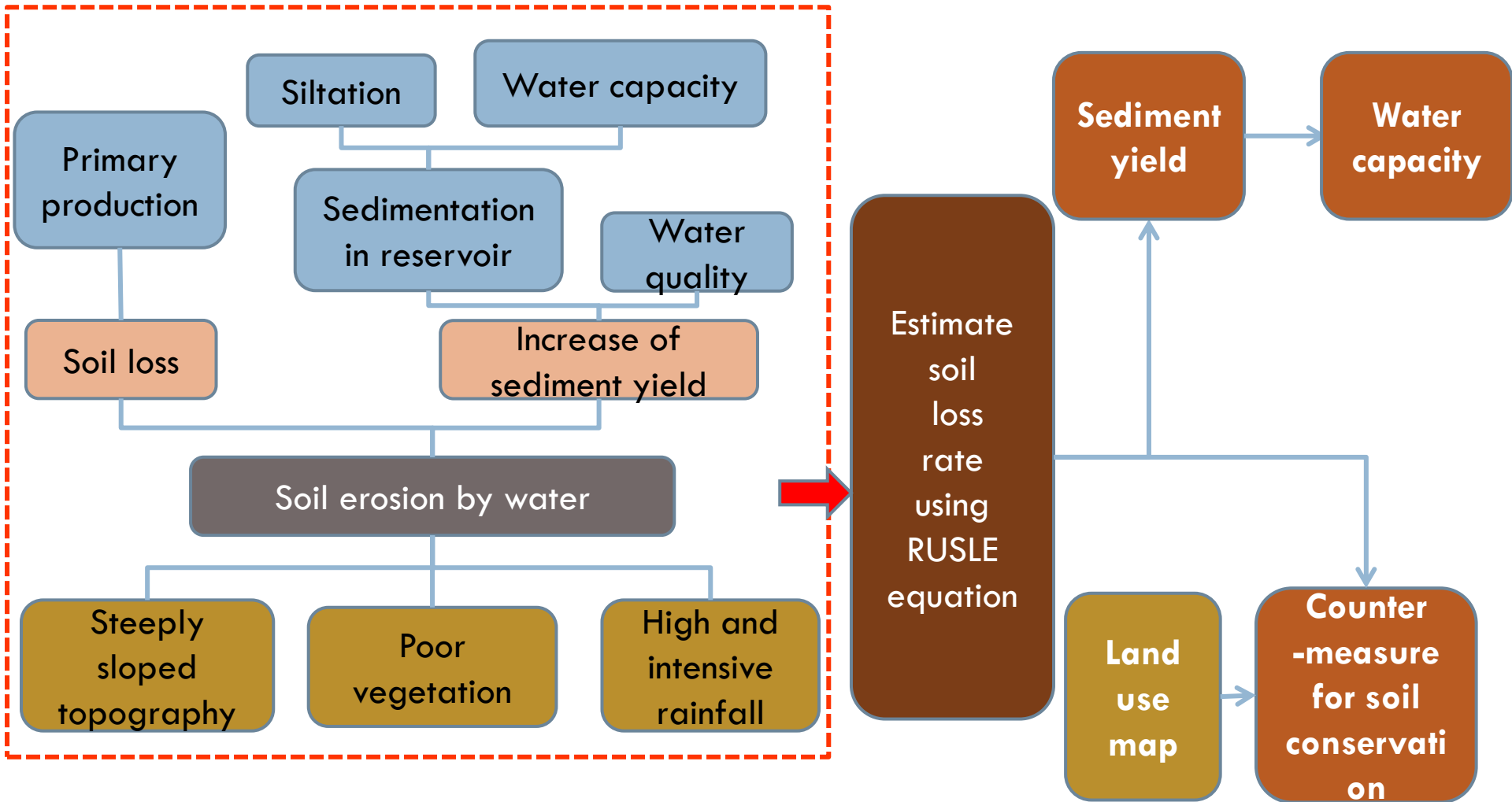
Estimation of soil erosion impact on watershed ecosystem service has not been studied.



# Objectives

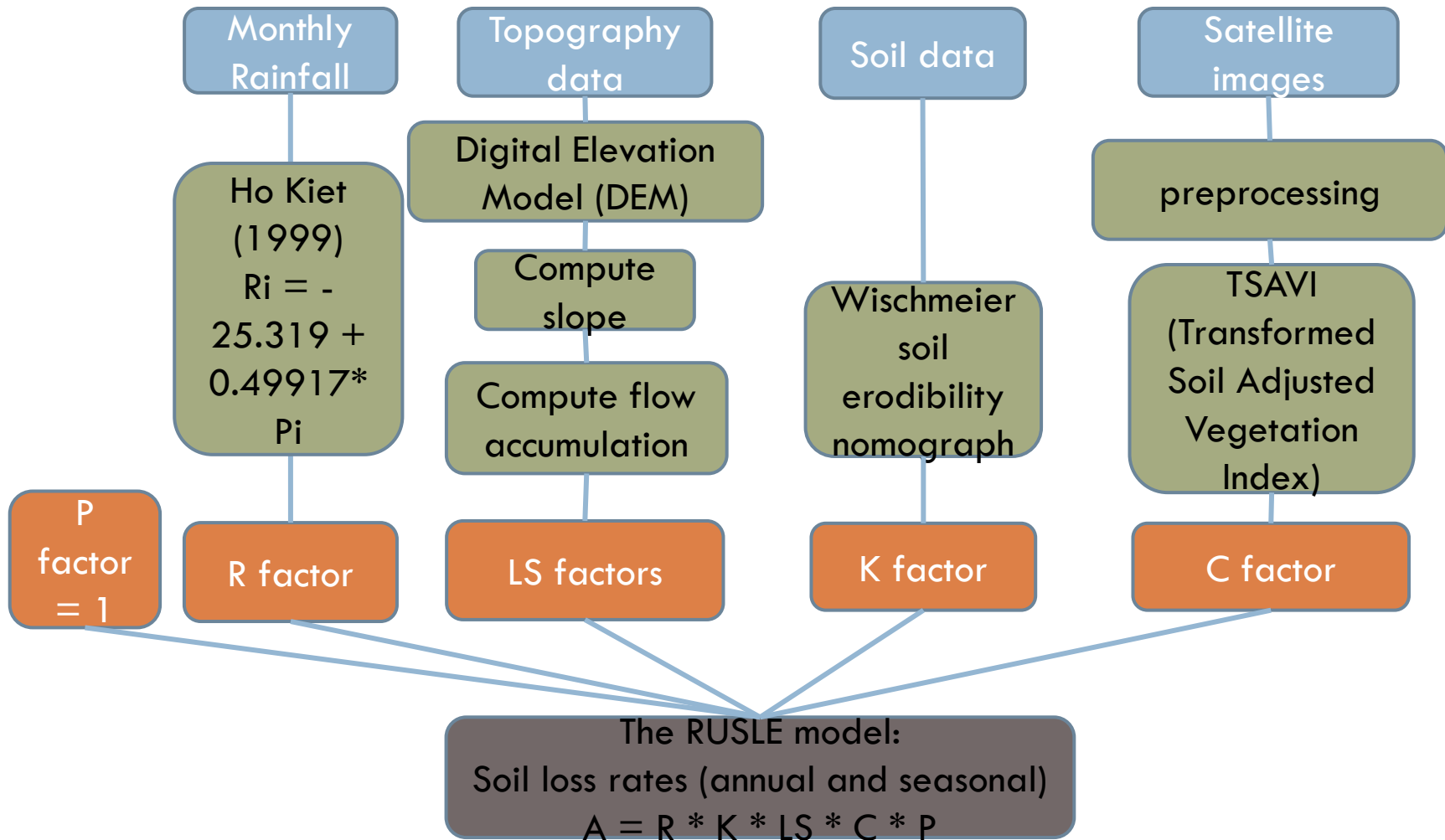
- General objective
  - ▣ To estimate ecosystem service loss due to soil erosion
- Specific objectives
  1. To produce soil loss map based on RUSLE equation
  2. To estimate impact of sedimentation on water capacity of the reservoir
  3. To propose countermeasures for soil conservation in the watershed

# Research Framework





# Methodology

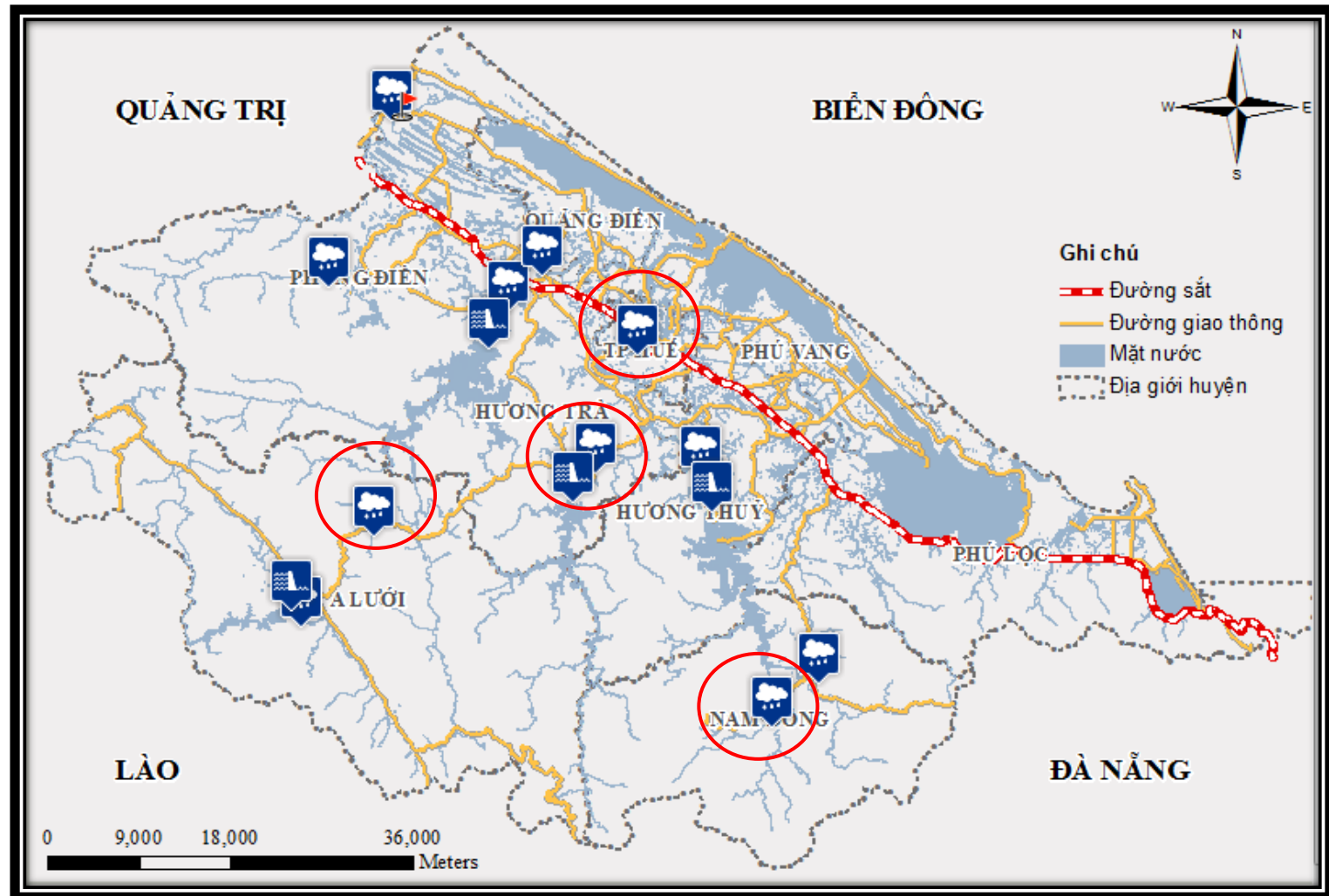


# Materials

| Factors   | Data   | Source  |
|-----------|--|---|
| C factor  | Satellite images:<br>-+ Landsat ETM, Landsat TM<br>+ ALOS AVNIR 2<br>Field survey data (August 2012)<br>Land use map | + <a href="http://glovis.usgs.gov/">http://glovis.usgs.gov/</a><br>+ JAXA |
| K factor  | -Soil map: FAO name<br>- Field survey:<br>+At sampling site: soil texture<br>+At laboratory: organic matter content  | + Department of Science and Technology in TTH province                    |
| LS factor | - Topographic map (scale 1/10,000)   | + Department of Natural Resource and Environment                          |
| R factor  | - Monthly rainfall from 1980 to 2006   | + Meteorological stations: Binh Dien, Kim Long, A Luoi, and Thuong Nhat   |

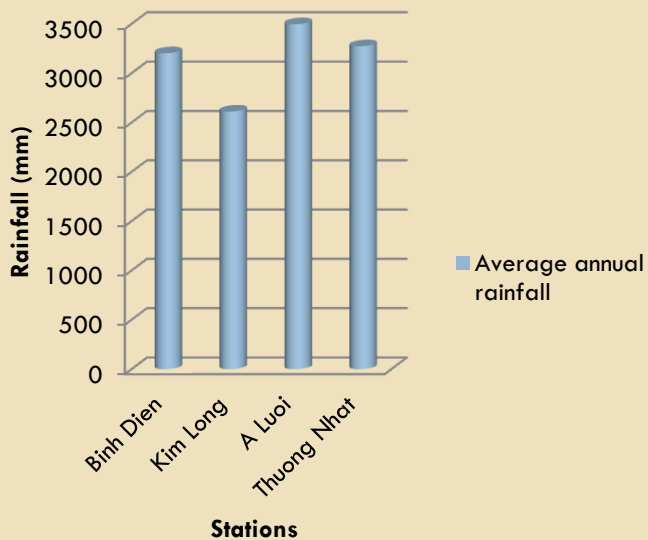


# R factor

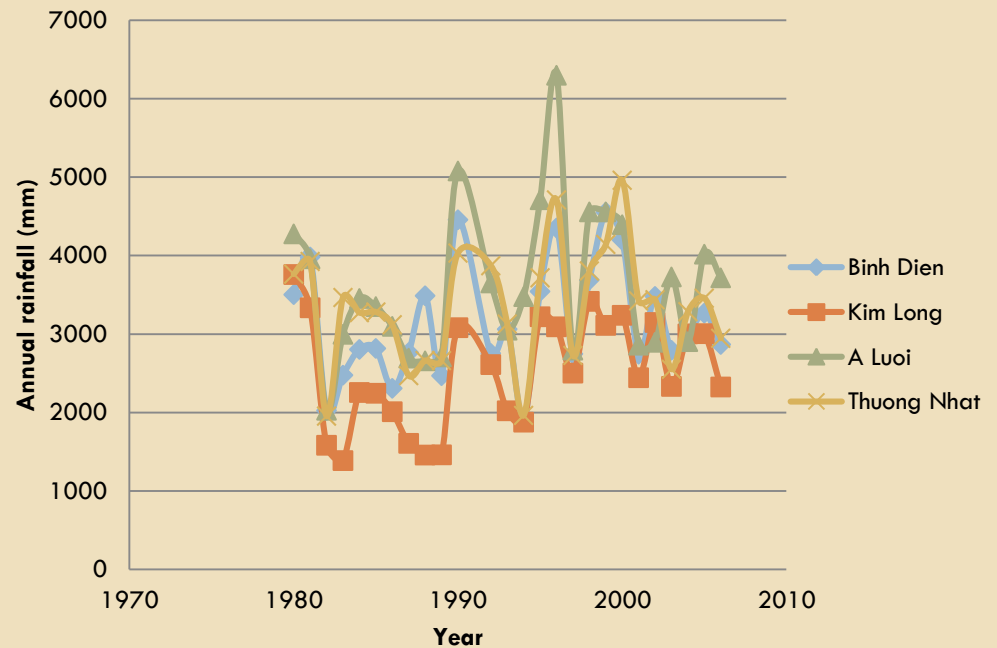


# R factor

**Average annual rainfall of stations from 1980 to 2006**

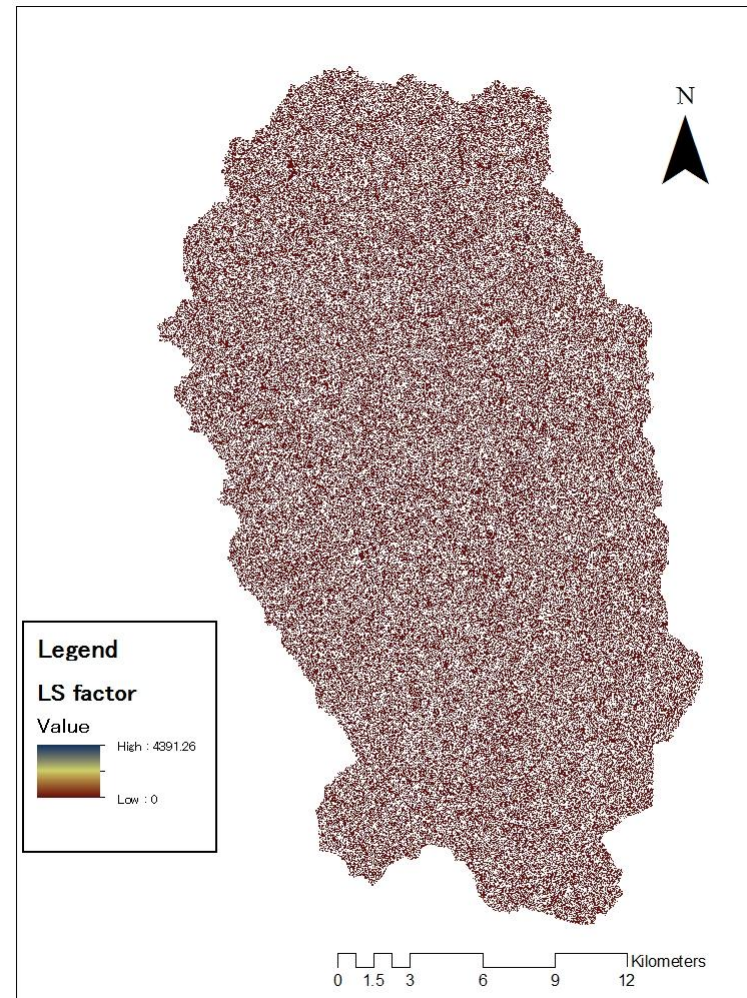
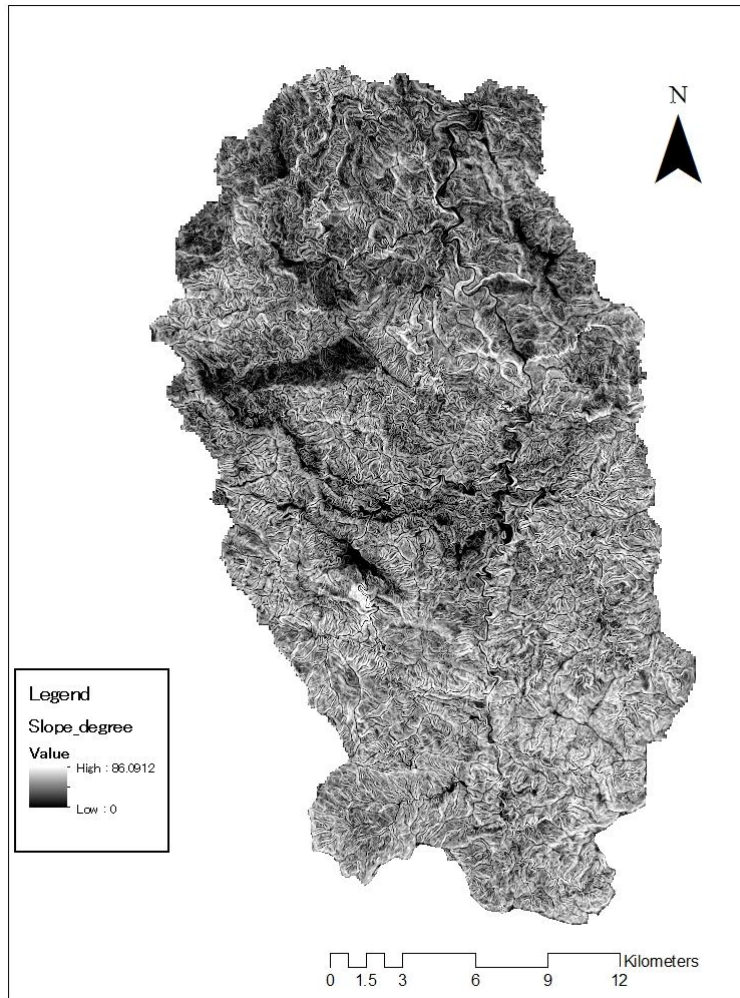


**Annual rainfall from 1980 to 2006 at four stations**

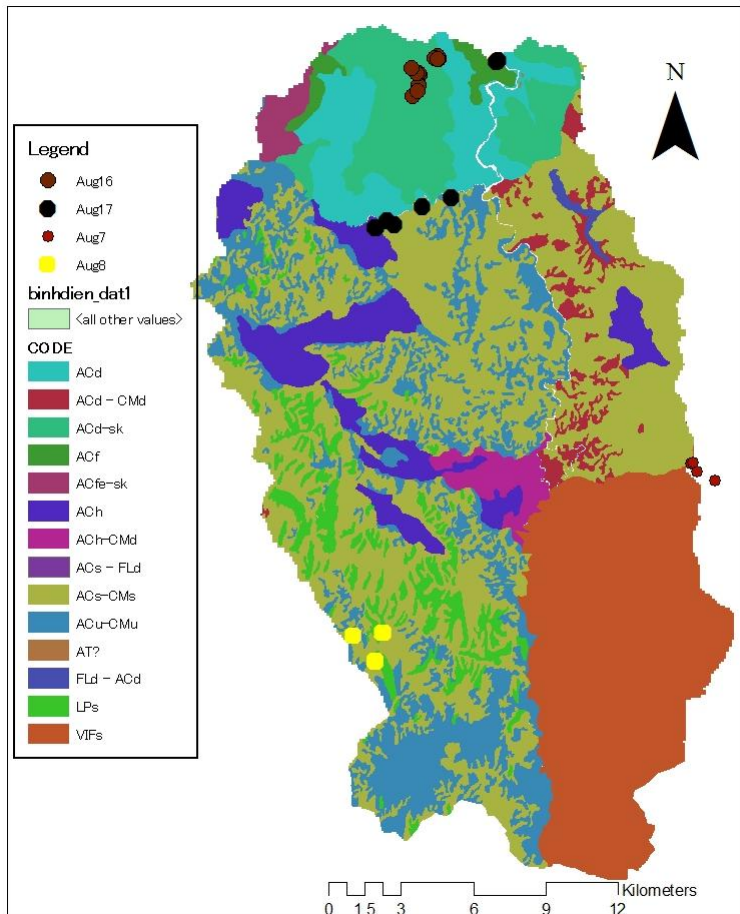




# LS factor



# K factor: Soil and organic matter content

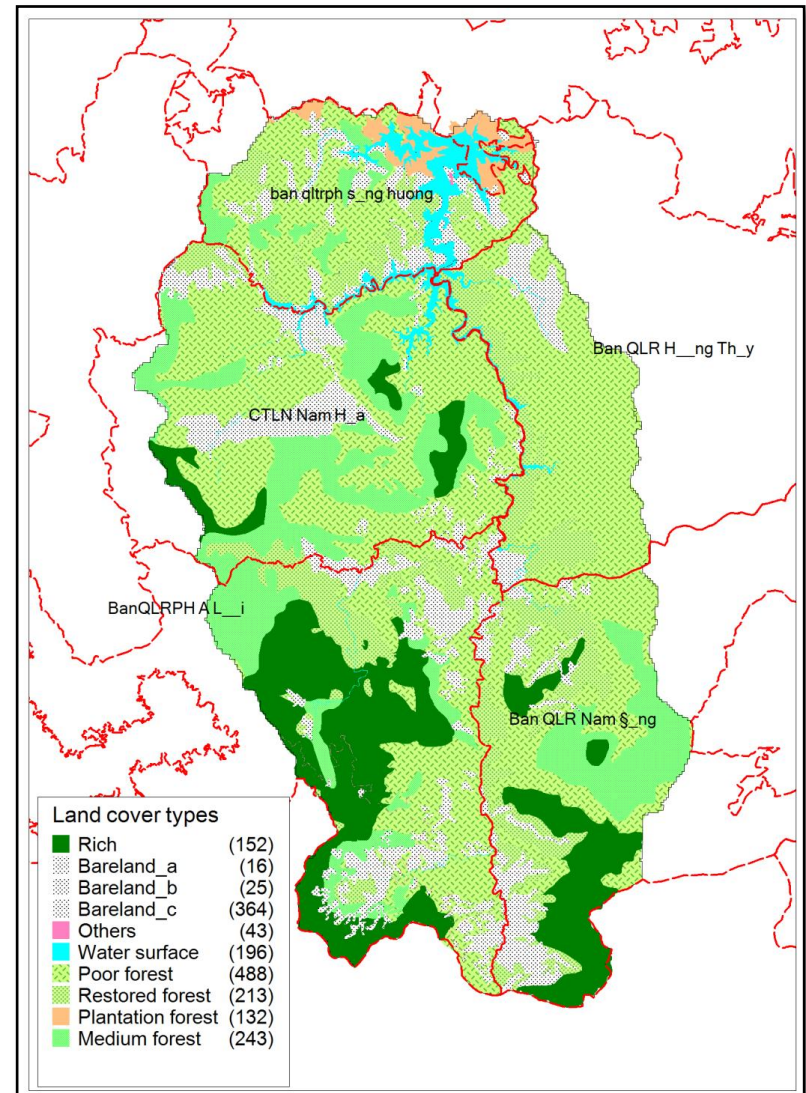


| Sample ID | OC   | Sample ID | OC   |
|-----------|------|-----------|------|
| 1         | 0.87 | 14        | 0.72 |
| 2         | 1.14 | 15        | 1.32 |
| 3         | 1.11 | 16        | 1.38 |
| 4         | 1.41 | 17        | 2.05 |
| 5         | 1.47 | 18        | 1.14 |
| 6         | 0.96 | 19        | 1.53 |
| 7         | 0.63 | 20        | 1.59 |
| 8         | 1.23 | 21        | 1.68 |
| 9         | 1.32 | 22        | 1.89 |
| 11        | 1.92 | 23        | 1.68 |
| 12        | 1.38 | 25        | 1.74 |
| 13        | 1.86 |           |      |

# C factor

Nguyen Ngoc Lung, Vo Dai Hai (1997)

| Vegetation structure                                  | C factor |
|---|----------|
| Natural forest with 3 layers, canopy cover: 0,7 – 0,8 | 0,0070   |
| Natural forest with 2 layers, canopy cover: 0,7 – 0,8 | 0,0072   |
| Grassland   | 0,0076   |
| Bamboo forest   | 0,0083   |
| Poor forest with 3 layers, canopy cover: 0,3 – 0,4    | 0,0100   |
| Pinus forest  | 0,0108   |
| Recovered forest after shifting cultivation           | 0,0132   |
| Mixed forest of Acacia and Cinnamomum                 | 0,0134   |
| Bareland with grass and shrub                         | 0,0135   |
| Mixed forest of Pinus and Acacia                      | 0,0150   |
| One layer forest, canopy cover 0,7 – 0,8              | 0,0186   |





# C factor



# Future work

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- Finish mapping soil loss in the watershed
- Estimate sediment yield and its impact on water capacity of the reservoir
- Propose countermeasures to reduce soil loss rate