

Table 2.11 Problem Soils in Study Area (Area in Rai)

| Province                          | Acid Sulphate | Saline  | Saline Associations | Sandy     | Sandy Associations | Skeletal  | Skeletal Associations | Skeletal  | Skeletal Associations | Total of all Associated Soils |
|-----------------------------------|---------------|---------|---------------------|-----------|--------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-----------|-----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Nakhon Nayok                      | 677,290       | 0       | 0                   | 0         | 0                  | 53,164    | 0                     | 0         | 0                     | 0                             |
| Prachin Buri                      | 425,761       | 0       | 0                   | 71,623    | 76,913             | 1,100,516 | 46,055                | 122,968   | 46,055                | 122,968                       |
| Nakhon Ratchasima                 | 0             | 399,855 | 36,084              | 392,058   | 272,537            | 987,338   | 152,514               | 461,135   | 152,514               | 461,135                       |
| Buri Ram                          | 0             | 33,554  | 0                   | 76,570    | 227,247            | 227,218   | 1,024                 | 261,825   | 1,024                 | 261,825                       |
| Surin                             | 0             | 403,064 | 0                   | 187,266   | 11,547             | 26,658    | 312,100               | 323,647   | 312,100               | 323,647                       |
| Si Sa Ket                         | 0             | 0       | 0                   | 534,651   | 166,533            | 351,464   | 15,521                | 182,054   | 15,521                | 182,054                       |
| Ubon Ratchathani                  | 0             | 6,370   | 0                   | 1,570,132 | 804,147            | 364,209   | 1,958,331             | 2,762,478 | 1,958,331             | 2,762,478                     |
| Yasothon                          | 0             | 24,978  | 0                   | 166,649   | 321,121            | 20,709    | 15,820                | 336,941   | 15,820                | 336,941                       |
| Mukdahan                          | 0             | 0       | 0                   | 0         | 0                  | 91,114    | 13,137                | 13,137    | 13,137                | 13,137                        |
| Study Area                        | 1,103,051     | 567,821 | 36,084              | 2,998,949 | 1,880,045          | 3,222,390 | 2,514,502             | 4,464,185 | 2,514,502             | 4,464,185                     |
| percentage of total province area |               |         |                     |           |                    |           |                       |           |                       |                               |
| Nakhon Nayok                      | 50.22         | 0.00    | 0.00                | 0.00      | 0.00               | 3.94      | 0.00                  | 0.00      | 0.00                  | 0.00                          |
| Prachin Buri                      | 5.85          | 0.00    | 0.00                | 0.98      | 1.06               | 15.12     | 0.63                  | 1.69      | 0.63                  | 1.69                          |
| Nakhon Ratchasima                 | 0.00          | 3.09    | 0.28                | 3.03      | 2.11               | 7.63      | 1.17                  | 3.55      | 1.17                  | 3.55                          |
| Buri Ram                          | 0.00          | 0.53    | 0.00                | 1.21      | 3.64               | 3.61      | 0.56                  | 4.21      | 0.56                  | 4.21                          |
| Surin                             | 0.00          | 1.87    | 0.00                | 3.40      | 0.21               | 0.48      | 5.67                  | 5.88      | 5.67                  | 5.88                          |
| Si Sa Ket                         | 0.00          | 0.00    | 0.00                | 9.65      | 3.01               | 6.35      | 0.50                  | 3.50      | 0.50                  | 3.50                          |
| Ubon Ratchathani                  | 0.00          | 0.05    | 0.00                | 13.42     | 6.87               | 3.11      | 16.73                 | 23.60     | 16.73                 | 23.60                         |
| Yasothon                          | 0.00          | 0.99    | 0.00                | 6.51      | 12.54              | 0.82      | 1.39                  | 13.15     | 1.39                  | 13.15                         |
| Mukdahan                          | 0.00          | 0.00    | 0.00                | 0.00      | 0.00               | 3.50      | 0.54                  | 0.54      | 0.54                  | 0.54                          |
| Study Area                        | 1.98          | 1.02    | 0.06                | 5.40      | 3.37               | 5.78      | 4.63                  | 8.00      | 4.63                  | 8.00                          |

Source: GIS Database of JICA Study Team

Table 2.12 Present Landuse in Sandy Soil Areas (Areas in Rai)

| Province                                      | Nakhon Nayok | Prachin Buri | Nakhon Ratchasima | Buri Ram | Surin   | Si Sa Ket | Ubon Ratchathani | Yasothon | Mukdahan |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------------|----------|---------|-----------|------------------|----------|----------|
| Present Landuse                               |              |              |                   |          |         |           |                  |          |          |
| Irrigated Fields                              | 0            | 0            | 881               | 0        | 0       | 0         | 0                | 0        | 0        |
| Paddy Fields                                  | 0            | 13,811       | 111,844           | 57,748   | 101,346 | 475,963   | 1,183,984        | 121,664  | 0        |
| Field Crops                                   | 0            | 15,168       | 246,768           | 13,135   | 37,125  | 9,949     | 13,051           | 7,377    | 0        |
| Pasture & Grass Land                          | 0            | 0            | 524               | 0        | 1,169   | 370       | 1,342            | 3,873    | 0        |
| Fruits & Trees Areas                          | 0            | 0            | 841               | 0        | 0       | 0         | 156              | 4,996    | 0        |
| Forest  | 0            | 6,686        | 6,455             | 1,194    | 37,000  | 13,473    | 180,303          | 1,924    | 0        |
| Reforestation Area                            | 0            | 0            | 6,742             | 0        | 431     | 567       | 155              | 0        | 0        |
| Encroached Forest                             | 0            | 6,115        | 647               | 1,186    | 3,663   | 7,480     | 7,939            | 0        | 0        |
| Water Bodies                                  | 0            | 0            | 6,513             | 647      | 219     | 3,446     | 19,991           | 278      | 0        |
| Barren Land                                   | 0            | 0            | 0                 | 0        | 0       | 0         | 1,846            | 0        | 0        |
| Built up Areas                                | 0            | 714          | 7,288             | 2,660    | 6,313   | 17,210    | 30,962           | 9,392    | 0        |
| Mixed Paddy & Forest                          | 0            | 29,129       | 0                 | 0        | 0       | 5,299     | 193,984          | 3,275    | 0        |
| Mixed Field Crop & Forest                     | 0            | 0            | 3,555             | 0        | 0       | 1,794     | 26,439           | 13,870   | 0        |
| Total   | 0            | 71,623       | 392,058           | 76,570   | 187,266 | 534,651   | 1,570,132        | 166,649  | 0        |
| percentage of respective province total areas |              |              |                   |          |         |           |                  |          |          |
| Irrigated Fields                              | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.00%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Paddy Fields                                  | 0.00%        | 0.19%        | 0.86%             | 0.92%    | 1.84%   | 8.59%     | 10.11%           | 4.75%    | 0.00%    |
| Field Crops                                   | 0.00%        | 0.21%        | 1.91%             | 0.21%    | 0.67%   | 0.16%     | 0.11%            | 0.29%    | 0.00%    |
| Pasture & Grass Land                          | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.00%             | 0.00%    | 0.02%   | 0.01%     | 0.01%            | 0.15%    | 0.00%    |
| Fruits & Trees Areas                          | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.00%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.00%            | 0.20%    | 0.00%    |
| Forest  | 0.00%        | 0.09%        | 0.05%             | 0.02%    | 0.67%   | 0.24%     | 1.54%            | 0.08%    | 0.00%    |
| Reforestation Area                            | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.05%             | 0.00%    | 0.01%   | 0.01%     | 0.00%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Encroached Forest                             | 0.00%        | 0.08%        | 0.00%             | 0.02%    | 0.07%   | 0.14%     | 0.07%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Water Bodies                                  | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.05%             | 0.01%    | 0.00%   | 0.06%     | 0.17%            | 0.01%    | 0.00%    |
| Barren Land                                   | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.00%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%   | 0.00%     | 0.02%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Built up Areas                                | 0.00%        | 0.01%        | 0.06%             | 0.04%    | 0.11%   | 0.31%     | 0.26%            | 0.37%    | 0.00%    |
| Mixed Paddy & Forest                          | 0.00%        | 0.40%        | 0.00%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%   | 0.10%     | 0.89%            | 0.13%    | 0.00%    |
| Mixed Field Crop & Forest                     | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.03%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%   | 0.03%     | 0.23%            | 0.55%    | 0.00%    |
| Total   | 0.00%        | 0.98%        | 3.03%             | 1.21%    | 3.40%   | 9.65%     | 13.42%           | 6.51%    | 0.00%    |

Source: GIS Database of LNE-UE Project

**Table 2.13 Present Landuse in Skeletal Problem Soil Areas (Areas in Rai)**

| Province<br>Present Landuse                   | Nakhon Nayok | Prachin Buri | Nakhon Ratchasima | Buri Ram | Surin  | Si Sa Ket | Ubon Ratchathani | Yasothon | Mukdahan |
|---|--------------|--------------|-------------------|----------|--------|-----------|------------------|----------|----------|
| Irrigated Fields                              | 0            | 0            | 3,717             | 0        | 0      | 0         | 73,762           | 0        | 0        |
| Paddy Fields                                  | 51,119       | 115,159      | 96,637            | 76,638   | 0      | 0         | 0                | 14,140   | 8,074    |
| Field Crops                                   | 0            | 474,727      | 672,743           | 133,088  | 0      | 0         | 59,571           | 0        | 3,791    |
| Pasture & Grass Land                          | 0            | 3,207        | 5,412             | 7        | 1,200  | 0         | 1,507            | 0        | 0        |
| Fruits & Trees Areas                          | 0            | 534          | 1,699             | 0        | 0      | 0         | 0                | 0        | 37,732   |
| Forest  | 0            | 46,071       | 127,223           | 0        | 14,391 | 309,915   | 183,016          | 4,292    | 41,381   |
| Reforestation Area                            | 0            | 22,321       | 314               | 0        | 0      | 4,430     | 352              | 0        | 0        |
| Encroached Forest                             | 0            | 23,261       | 60,808            | 3,429    | 2,219  | 37,119    | 6,701            | 562      | 14       |
| Water Bodies                                  | 0            | 1,759        | 3,660             | 1,661    | 239    | 0         | 7,112            | 0        | 0        |
| Barren Land                                   | 0            | 1,941        | 2,466             | 0        | 0      | 0         | 19,465           | 0        | 0        |
| Built up Areas                                | 2,045        | 13,498       | 10,465            | 7,376    | 609    | 0         | 21,723           | 954      | 0        |
| Mixed Paddy & Forest                          | 0            | 398,038      | 1,175             | 0        | 8,000  | 0         | 0                | 762      | 0        |
| Mixed Field Crop & Forest                     | 0            | 0            | 1,021             | 0        | 0      | 0         | 0                | 0        | 122      |
| Total   | 53,164       | 1,100,516    | 987,338           | 227,219  | 26,638 | 351,464   | 364,209          | 20,710   | 91,114   |
| percentage of respective province total areas |              |              |                   |          |        |           |                  |          |          |
| Irrigated Fields                              | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.03%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.63%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Paddy Fields                                  | 3.79%        | 1.58%        | 0.75%             | 1.22%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.00%            | 0.56%    | 0.31%    |
| Field Crops                                   | 0.00%        | 6.53%        | 5.20%             | 2.19%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.43%            | 0.00%    | 0.15%    |
| Pasture & Grass Land                          | 0.00%        | 0.04%        | 0.04%             | 0.00%    | 0.02%  | 0.00%     | 0.01%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Fruits & Trees Areas                          | 0.00%        | 0.01%        | 0.01%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.00%            | 0.00%    | 1.45%    |
| Forest  | 0.00%        | 0.63%        | 0.98%             | 0.00%    | 0.26%  | 5.60%     | 1.56%            | 0.17%    | 1.59%    |
| Reforestation Area                            | 0.00%        | 0.31%        | 0.00%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%  | 0.08%     | 0.00%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Encroached Forest                             | 0.00%        | 0.32%        | 0.47%             | 0.05%    | 0.04%  | 0.67%     | 0.06%            | 0.02%    | 0.00%    |
| Water Bodies                                  | 0.00%        | 0.02%        | 0.03%             | 0.03%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.06%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Barren Land                                   | 0.00%        | 0.03%        | 0.02%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.17%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Built up Areas                                | 0.15%        | 0.19%        | 0.08%             | 0.12%    | 0.01%  | 0.00%     | 0.19%            | 0.04%    | 0.00%    |
| Mixed Paddy & Forest                          | 0.00%        | 5.47%        | 0.01%             | 0.00%    | 0.15%  | 0.00%     | 0.00%            | 0.03%    | 0.00%    |
| Mixed Field Crop & Forest                     | 0.00%        | 0.00%        | 0.01%             | 0.00%    | 0.00%  | 0.00%     | 0.00%            | 0.00%    | 0.00%    |
| Total   | 3.94%        | 15.14%       | 7.63%             | 3.60%    | 0.48%  | 6.35%     | 3.11%            | 0.82%    | 3.50%    |

Source: GIS Database of LNE-UE Project

**Table 2.14 Erosion Hazard Soils of the Study Area (Area in Rai)**

| Province          | Erosion Hazard Soils |       | Erosion Hazard Soil Associations |       |
|-------------------|----------------------|-------|----------------------------------|-------|
|                   | Area in Rai          | %     | Area in Rai                      | %     |
| Nakhon Nayok      | 71,422               | 5.30  | 0                                | 0.00  |
| Prachin Buri      | 1,304,597            | 17.93 | 76,913                           | 1.06  |
| Nakhon Ratchasima | 3,255,760            | 25.14 | 1,505,753                        | 11.62 |
| Buri Ram          | 1,221,674            | 19.40 | 2,199,315                        | 34.90 |
| Surin             | 1,450,352            | 26.30 | 738,716                          | 13.42 |
| Si Sa Ket         | 1,038,040            | 18.70 | 345,164                          | 6.23  |
| Ubon Ratchathani  | 4,242,556            | 36.26 | 1,382,627                        | 11.82 |
| Yasothon          | 787,586              | 30.75 | 359,398                          | 14.03 |
| Mukdahan          | 1,490,193            | 57.30 | 50,870                           | 1.96  |
| Study Area        | 14,862,180           | 26.64 | 6,658,756                        | 11.94 |

Source: GIS Database of JICA Study Team

**Table 2.16 Areas Affected by Soil Erosion in Thailand**

| Category    | Soil Loss<br>(ton/rai/year) | Area<br>(million rai) | Land Use   |
|-------------|-----------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| Very Slight | 0.01-1.00                   | 119                   | forest, paddy  |
| Slight      | 1.01-5.00                   | 90                    | forest, rubber, orchards, paddy  |
| Moderate    | 5.01-20.00                  | 26                    | rubber, orchards, field crops, forest + field crops                          |
| Severe      | 20.01-100.00                | 43                    | rubber, orchards, field crops, forest + field crops,<br>shifting cultivation |
| Very severe | 100.01-966.65               | 39                    | field crops, forest + shifting cultivation                                   |
| Others      |                             | 4                     | coastal area, mangrove forest, shrimp farms etc.                             |
| Total       |                             | 321                   |  |

Source : Thailand Natural Resources Profile, TDRI, 1987

Table 2.15 Present Landuse in Erosion Hazard Soil Areas (Areas in Rai)

| Province                                      | Nakhon Nayok  | Prachin Buri     | Nakhon Ratchasima | Buri Ram         | Surin            | Si Sa Ket        | Ubon Ratchathani | Yasothon       | Mukdahan         |
|---|---------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|----------------|------------------|
| Irrigated Fields                              | 0             | 0                | 58,331            | 0                | 0                | 0                | 92,871           | 0              | 0                |
| Paddy Fields                                  | 0             | 0                | 684,113           | 484,933          | 866,851          | 187,645          | 1,837,024        | 320,979        | 313,425          |
| Field Crops                                   | 0             | 354,327          | 1,788,467         | 594,198          | 207,928          | 250,093          | 156,390          | 134,547        | 355,900          |
| Pasture & Grass Land                          | 94            | 1,768            | 0                 | 0                | 0                | 0                | 1,655            | 401            | 147              |
| Fruits & Trees Areas                          | 0             | 28,851           | 13,546            | 12,158           | 33,924           | 30,269           | 15,855           | 6,429          | 11,786           |
| Forest  | 70,038        | 241,945          | 203,566           | 13,611           | 224,115          | 254,508          | 1,176,861        | 128,924        | 533,031          |
| Reforestation Area                            | 0             | 44,813           | 102,669           | 24,229           | 45,734           | 12,392           | 1,569            | 14,428         | 0                |
| Encroached Forest                             | 1,280         | 69,869           | 150,696           | 29,807           | 31,453           | 69,486           | 55,716           | 1,466          | 73,692           |
| Water Bodies                                  | 0             | 6,527            | 32,913            | 12,542           | 17,135           | 46,902           | 60,888           | 3,000          | 8,155            |
| Barren Land                                   | 0             | 2,294            | 3,360             | 0                | 253              | 8,204            | 80,352           | 0              | 2,378            |
| Built up Areas                                | 10            | 39,166           | 133,061           | 50,196           | 3,776            | 144,437          | 115,752          | 19,699         | 14,612           |
| Mixed Paddy & Forest                          | 0             | 515,037          | 17,904            | 0                | 8,555            | 16,492           | 417,097          | 69,914         | 68,925           |
| Mixed Field Crop & Forest                     | 0             | 0                | 67,134            | 0                | 8,628            | 17,612           | 230,546          | 87,799         | 108,142          |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>71,422</b> | <b>1,304,597</b> | <b>3,255,760</b>  | <b>1,221,674</b> | <b>1,450,352</b> | <b>1,038,040</b> | <b>4,242,556</b> | <b>787,586</b> | <b>1,490,193</b> |
| percentage of respective province total areas |               |                  |                   |                  |                  |                  |                  |                |                  |
| Irrigated Fields                              | 0.00%         | 0.00%            | 0.45%             | 0.00%            | 0.00%            | 0.00%            | 0.79%            | 0.00%          | 0.00%            |
| Paddy Fields                                  | 0.00%         | 0.00%            | 5.29%             | 7.70%            | 15.78%           | 3.39%            | 15.71%           | 12.53%         | 12.05%           |
| Field Crops                                   | 0.00%         | 4.87%            | 13.81%            | 9.43%            | 3.78%            | 4.52%            | 1.34%            | 5.32%          | 13.69%           |
| Pasture & Grass Land                          | 0.01%         | 0.02%            | 0.00%             | 0.00%            | 0.00%            | 0.00%            | 0.01%            | 0.02%          | 0.01%            |
| Fruits & Trees Areas                          | 0.00%         | 0.40%            | 0.10%             | 0.19%            | 0.62%            | 0.55%            | 0.14%            | 0.25%          | 0.45%            |
| Forest  | 5.19%         | 3.33%            | 1.57%             | 0.22%            | 4.10%            | 4.59%            | 10.05%           | 5.09%          | 20.50%           |
| Reforestation Area                            | 0.00%         | 0.62%            | 0.79%             | 0.38%            | 0.83%            | 0.22%            | 0.01%            | 0.57%          | 0.00%            |
| Encroached Forest                             | 0.09%         | 0.96%            | 1.16%             | 0.47%            | 0.57%            | 1.25%            | 0.48%            | 0.06%          | 2.83%            |
| Water Bodies                                  | 0.00%         | 0.09%            | 0.25%             | 0.20%            | 0.31%            | 0.85%            | 0.52%            | 0.12%          | 0.31%            |
| Barren Land                                   | 0.00%         | 0.03%            | 0.03%             | 0.00%            | 0.00%            | 0.15%            | 0.69%            | 0.00%          | 0.09%            |
| Built up Areas                                | 0.00%         | 0.54%            | 1.03%             | 0.80%            | 0.07%            | 2.61%            | 0.99%            | 0.78%          | 0.56%            |
| Mixed Paddy & Forest                          | 0.00%         | 7.08%            | 0.14%             | 0.00%            | 0.16%            | 0.30%            | 3.56%            | 2.76%          | 2.65%            |
| Mixed Field Crop & Forest                     | 0.00%         | 0.00%            | 0.52%             | 0.00%            | 0.16%            | 0.32%            | 1.97%            | 3.47%          | 4.16%            |
| <b>Total</b>                                  | <b>5.30%</b>  | <b>17.93%</b>    | <b>25.14%</b>     | <b>19.40%</b>    | <b>26.30%</b>    | <b>18.70%</b>    | <b>36.26%</b>    | <b>30.75%</b>  | <b>57.30%</b>    |

Source: GIS Database of LNE-UE Project

**Table 2.17 Surface Water Resources Classification and Standards**

| Parameter                         | Units       | Max. Allowance by Class |        |        |       |   |
|-----------------------------------|-------------|-------------------------|--------|--------|-------|---|
|                                   |             | 1                       | 2      | 3      | 4     | 5 |
| 1 Temperature                     | °C          | n'                      | n'     | n'     | n'    | - |
| 2 pH value                        | -           | n                       | 5-9    | 5-9    | 5-9   | - |
| 3 Dissolved oxygen                | mg/l        | n                       | 6      | 4      | 2     | - |
| 4 BOD (5 days, 20°C)              | mg/l        | -                       | 1.5    | 2.0    | 4.0   | - |
| 5 Coliform Bacteria               |             |                         |        |        |       |   |
| - Total Coliform                  | MPN/100 ml  | -                       | 5,000  | 20,000 | -     | - |
| - Fecal Coliform                  | "           | -                       | 1,000  | 4,000  | -     | - |
| 6 NO <sub>3</sub> -N              | mg/l        | n                       | -----  | 5.0    | ----- | - |
| 7 NH <sub>3</sub> -N              | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.5    | ----- | - |
| 8 Phenols                         | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.005  | ----- | - |
| 9 Cu                              | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.1    | ----- | - |
| 10 Ni                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.1    | ----- | - |
| 11 Mn                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 1.0    | ----- | - |
| 12 Zn                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 1.0    | ----- | - |
| 13 Cd                             | "           | n                       | 0.005* | 0.05** | ----- | - |
| 14 Cr (Hexavalent)                | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.05   | ----- | - |
| 15 Pb                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.05   | ----- | - |
| 16 Hg (total)                     | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.002  | ----- | - |
| 17 As                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.01   | ----- | - |
| 18 CN                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.005  | ----- | - |
| 19 Radioactivity                  |             |                         |        |        |       |   |
| - Gross                           | Becquerel/l | n                       | -----  | 0.1    | ----- | - |
| - Gross β                         | "           | n                       | -----  | 1.0    | ----- | - |
| 20 Pesticides (Total)             | mg/l        | n                       | -----  | 0.05   | ----- | - |
| - DDT                             | µg/l        | n                       | -----  | 1.0    | ----- | - |
| - BHC                             | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.02   | ----- | - |
| - Dieldrin                        | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.1    | ----- | - |
| - Aldrin                          | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.1    | ----- | - |
| - Heptachlor & Heptachlor epoxide | "           | n                       | -----  | 0.1    | ----- | - |
| - Endrin                          | "           | n                       | -----  | none   | ----- | - |

Note: n = Natural  
n' = Natural but changing not more than 3°C  
\* = When water hardness is not more than 100 mg/l as Ca CO<sub>3</sub>  
\*\* = When water hardness is more than 100 mg/l as Ca CO<sub>3</sub>  
\*\*\* = Water Quality Classification in the following page.

**Table 2.17 Surface Water Resources Classification and Standards (continued)**

| <u>Water Quality Classification</u><br>Classifications | Condition and Beneficial Usages   |
|--|---|
| Class 1  | <p>Extra clean fresh surface water resources useful for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) conservation, not necessary to pass through water treatment processes; require only ordinary process for pathogenic destruction.</li> <li>(2) ecosystem conservation where basic living organisms can breed naturally.</li> </ul> |
| Class 2  | <p>Very clean fresh surface water resources useful for</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) consumption which requires only ordinary water treatment process before use</li> <li>(2) aquatic organism conservation</li> <li>(3) fishery development</li> <li>(4) recreation</li> </ul>  |
| Class 3  | <p>Medium clean fresh surface water resources useful for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) consumption but has to pass through an ordinary treatment process before use</li> <li>(2) agriculture</li> </ul>   |
| Class 4  | <p>Fairly clean fresh surface water resources useful for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) consumption but require special water treatment process before use</li> <li>(2) industry</li> <li>(3) other activities</li> </ul>  |
| Class 5  | <p>The resources which are not classified in class 1-4 and useful for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(1) navigation</li> </ul>   |

Source: Laws and Standards on Pollution Control in Thailand, ONEB, July 1989

**Table 2.18 Water Quality Data in Main River During 1987 to 1990**

| Main River             | Standard Value |            |                            |  | 1987      |            |                            | 1988      |            |                            | 1989      |            |                            | 1990      |            |                            |
|------------------------|----------------|------------|----------------------------|--|-----------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------|----------------------------|-----------|------------|----------------------------|
|                        | DO (mg/l)      | BOD (mg/l) | Total Coliform (MPN/100ml) |  | DO (mg/l) | BOD (mg/l) | Total Coliform (MPN/100ml) | DO (mg/l) | BOD (mg/l) | Total Coliform (MPN/100ml) | DO (mg/l) | BOD (mg/l) | Total Coliform (MPN/100ml) | DO (mg/l) | BOD (mg/l) | Total Coliform (MPN/100ml) |
| Nakhon Nayok River (1) | 4              | 2          | 20,000                     |  | 2.7       | 1.2        | 4,000                      | 0.8       | 1.1        | 4,307                      | 1.8       | 1.0        | 60,000                     | 1.7       | 1.0        | 53,000                     |
| Prachin Buri River (2) | 6              | 1.5        | 5,000                      |  | 4.0       | 1.0        | 5,000                      | 1.8       | 1.0        | 5,000                      | 4.0       | 1.2        | 95,000                     | 3.0       | 0.7        | 40,000                     |

Notes: (1) Water quality class 3

(2) Water quality class 2

Calculated value of DO at P<sub>20</sub>, BOD at P<sub>80</sub> and Coliform Bacteria at P<sub>80</sub>

Source: National Environment Board



**Table 2.19 Location of Water Quality Sampling Stations along Mun River (NEB; 1991-92 Water Quality Monitoring)**

| Station No. | Location  |
|-------------|---|
| 1           | Khong Chiam, Ubon Ratchathani                         |
| 2           | Phibun Mungsaharn, Ubon Ratchathani                   |
| 3           | Muang, Ubon Ratchathani                               |
| 4           | Intersection Chi-Mun; Warin Chamrap, Ubon Ratchathani |
| 5           | Kantrarom, Si Sa Ket                                  |
| 6           | Muang, Si Sa Ket                                      |
| 7           | Rasislai, Si Sa Ket                                   |
| 8           | Tatoom, Surin   |
| 9           | Satuk, Surin  |
| 10          | Koomuang, Buri Ram                                    |
| 11          | Chumphuang, Nakhon Ratchathani                        |
| 12          | Pimai, Nakhon Ratchathani                             |
| 13          | Muang, Nakhon Ratchathani                             |
| 14          | Kamtalaysor, Nakhon Ratchathani                       |
| 15          | Sikhieu, Nakhon Ratchathani                           |

Source: National Environment Board

**Table 2.20 Location of Water Quality Sampling Stations along Chi River (NEB; 1991-92 Water Quality Monitoring)**

| Station No. | Location  |
|-------------|---|
| 1           | Ban Nonyan - Nong Sang, Kueng Nai, Ubon Ratchathani |
| 2           | Behind Wat Ban Kaeng, Kueng Nai, Ubon Ratchathani   |
| 3           | Mahachanachai, Yasothon                             |
| 4           | Muang, Yasothon                                     |
| 5           | Selaphum, Roi Et                                    |
| 6           | Ban Tatoogna, Muang, Mahasarakham                   |
| 7           | Wat Ban Din Dum, Muang, Mahasarakham                |
| 8           | Kosumpisai, Mahasarakham                            |
| 9           | Ban Thapra, Muang, Khon Kaen                        |
| 10          | Munjakeeree, Khon Kaen                              |
| 11          | King Amphur, Kaeng Sanamngang, Nakhon Ratchasima    |
| 12          | Amphur Ban Kwao, Chaiyaphum                         |

Source: National Environment Board

Table 2.21 Flooded Areas in Lower Mun River Basin

| Area  | Years |      |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |      |       | Average  |          |        |          |
|---|-------|------|------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|----------|----------|--------|----------|
|   | 1969  | 1970 | 1971 | 1972  | 1973 | 1974 | 1975 | 1976  | 1977  | 1978  | 1979 | 1980  | 12 years | 4 years  |        |          |
|   |       |      |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |      |       | Normal   | Weighted | Normal | Weighted |
| <b>1. Total areas flooded (1,000 ha)</b>      |       |      |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |      |       |          |          |        |          |
| Nam Mun between Ban Bun Bao and Tha Tum       | 25.3  | 10.4 | 24   | 33.4  | 10.8 | 4    | 16.7 | 28    | 31.4  | 42    | 18   | 35.8  | 23.28    | 24.05    | 31.35  | 29.07    |
| Lam Phlappha upstream of highway 214          | 5.4   | 5.5  | 3.6  | 7.1   | 1.2  | 5.1  | 7.5  | 6.6   | 6     | 17.3  | 5.6  | 9.1   | 6.67     | 6.88     | 6.90   | 6.41     |
| Lam Siao Yai upstream of highway 214          | 10.9  | 13.9 | 8.8  | 7.7   | 18.1 | 10.9 | 21.3 | 22.7  | 16.3  | 14.2  | 10.7 | 13.2  | 14.06    | 13.80    | 12.02  | 11.55    |
| Lam Phlappha confluence                       | 5.3   | 2.4  | 5.4  | 8     | 2.9  | 0.9  | 3.5  | 6.3   | 5.7   | 9.3   | 5.1  | 8     | 5.23     | 5.34     | 6.75   | 6.23     |
| Lan Siao Yai confluence                       | 15.2  | 6.5  | 13.4 | 21.8  | 4.5  | 12.2 | 13.7 | 22.9  | 18.7  | 28.6  | 14.1 | 21.4  | 16.08    | 17.12    | 19.27  | 17.72    |
| Sub-total area upstream of Rasi Salai (I)     | 62.1  | 38.7 | 55.2 | 78    | 37.5 | 33.1 | 62.7 | 86.5  | 78.1  | 111.4 | 53.5 | 87    | 65.32    | 67.19    | 76.29  | 70.98    |
| Nam Mun between Rasi Salai and Sisaket (II)   | 8.1   | 1.9  | 8.6  | 13.2  | 0.3  | 0.2  | 5.9  | 12.2  | 9.7   | 16.3  | 7.9  | 13.3  | 8.13     | 8.18     | 11.07  | 9.90     |
| Nam Mun between Sisaket and Chi confluence    | 5.1   | 2.2  | 3.1  | 7.4   | 0    | 0.4  | 3.8  | 6.9   | 5.5   | 14.9  | 4.7  | 8.1   | 5.17     | 5.44     | 6.52   | 5.90     |
| Nam Chi confluence                            | 12.6  | 11   | 10.9 | 13    | 6.9  | 10.7 | 12.3 | 12.7  | 14    | 21.5  | 11.9 | 15    | 12.71    | 12.85    | 13.65  | 13.30    |
| Nam Mun downstream of Ubon Ratchathani        | 8.6   | 7.9  | 8    | 9.3   | 3.9  | 7.1  | 9    | 8.9   | 10    | 11.9  | 8.4  | 10.2  | 8.60     | 8.45     | 9.52   | 9.37     |
| Sub total area downstream of Si Sa Ket (III)  | 26.3  | 21.1 | 22   | 29.7  | 10.8 | 18.2 | 25.1 | 28.5  | 29.5  | 48.3  | 25   | 33.3  | 26.48    | 26.74    | 29.69  | 28.57    |
| Grand total (I+II+III)                        | 96.5  | 61.7 | 85.8 | 120.9 | 48.6 | 51.5 | 93.7 | 127.2 | 117.3 | 176   | 86.4 | 133.6 | 99.93    | 102.11   | 117.05 | 109.45   |
| <b>2. Cultivated areas flooded (1,000 ha)</b> |       |      |      |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |      |       |          |          |        |          |
| Nam Mun between Ban Bun Bao and Tha Tum       | 6.8   | 1.3  | 6.2  | 11.9  | 0.9  | 0.1  | 3.3  | 8.4   | 10.4  | 17.3  | 3.3  | 13.1  | 6.92     | 7.37     | 10.55  | 9.14     |
| Lam Phlappha upstream of highway 214          | 4.5   | 4.4  | 2.9  | 5.3   | 1.1  | 4.2  | 6.1  | 5.2   | 5.1   | 14.7  | 4.3  | 7.2   | 5.42     | 5.60     | 5.52   | 5.20     |
| Lam Siao Yai upstream of highway 214          | 7.3   | 9.8  | 6.4  | 6     | 11.8 | 6.6  | 14.2 | 15.8  | 9.3   | 8.7   | 7.8  | 10.4  | 9.51     | 9.26     | 8.25   | 7.95     |
| Lam Phlappha confluence                       | 0.5   | 0.6  | 0.7  | 1.8   | 0.1  | 0.3  | 0.6  | 0.9   | 0.6   | 2.9   | 0.5  | 1.7   | 0.93     | 0.96     | 1.15   | 91.00    |
| Lan Siao Yai confluence                       | 2.2   | 0.9  | 1.4  | 5     | 0.2  | 5.7  | 3.5  | 5.6   | 3.5   | 8.9   | 1.8  | 4.3   | 3.58     | 4.06     | 3.75   | 3.14     |
| Sub total area upstream of Rasi Salai (I)     | 21.3  | 17   | 17.6 | 30    | 14.1 | 16.9 | 27.7 | 35.9  | 28.9  | 52.5  | 17.7 | 36.7  | 26.36    | 27.25    | 29.22  | 26.34    |
| Nam Mun between Rasi Salai and Sisaket (II)   | 3.6   | 0.5  | 4.2  | 5.8   | 0.1  | 0.1  | 2.3  | 5.4   | 4.5   | 7.4   | 3.4  | 5.9   | 3.61     | 3.64     | 4.95   | 4.44     |
| Nam Mun between Sisaket and Chi confluence    | 1.6   | 0.2  | 0.8  | 2.8   | 0    | 0    | 1    | 2.5   | 1.9   | 7.9   | 1.5  | 3.1   | 1.94     | 2.18     | 2.35   | 2.04     |
| Nam Chi confluence                            | 2.3   | 1.8  | 1.8  | 2.5   | 0.5  | 1.6  | 2.2  | 2.3   | 2.8   | 5.1   | 2.1  | 3     | 2.33     | 2.38     | 2.65   | 2.54     |
| Nam Mun sownstream of Ubon Ratchathani        | 1.3   | 1.1  | 1.2  | 1.5   | 0.3  | 0.9  | 1.5  | 1.4   | 1.6   | 1.9   | 1.3  | 1.6   | 1.30     | 1.25     | 1.50   | 1.46     |
| Sub total area downstream of Si Sa Ket (III)  | 5.2   | 3.1  | 3.8  | 6.8   | 0.8  | 2.5  | 4.7  | 6.2   | 6.3   | 14.9  | 4.9  | 7.7   | 5.57     | 5.81     | 6.50   | 6.04     |
| Grand total (I+II+III)                        | 30.1  | 20.6 | 25.6 | 42.6  | 15   | 19.5 | 34.7 | 47.5  | 39.7  | 74.8  | 26   | 50.3  | 35.54    | 36.70    | 40.67  | 36.82    |

Source : Mekong Secretariat

**Table 2.22 Areas Subjects to Flooding in 1978 and 1980**

(Unit : square kilometer)

| Province & Amphoe       | Total Area | Flooded Area |      |
|-------------------------|------------|--------------|------|
|                         |            | 1978         | 1980 |
| <b>Yasothon</b>         |            |              |      |
| 1. Muang                | 454        | 117          | 27   |
| 2. Kham Khuan Kaeo      | 638        | 18           |      |
| 3. Maha Chana Chai      | 455        | 189          |      |
| 4. Kho Wang             | 150        | 150          |      |
| Subtotal                | 1,697      | 474          | 27   |
| <b>Si Sa Ket</b>        |            |              |      |
| 1. Yang Chum            | 660        | 18           |      |
| 2. Khan Thara Rom       | 1,001      | 261          |      |
| Subtotal                | 1,661      | 279          |      |
| <b>Ubon Ratchathani</b> |            |              |      |
| 1. Khuang Nai           | 783        | 233          |      |
| 2. Muang                | 939        | 14           |      |
| Subtotal                | 1,722      | 247          |      |

Source : Chi Basin Water Use Study Flood Studies, Report, RID, 1988

**Table 2.23 Number of Holdings Reporting the Use of Fertilizers in the North-Eastern Region**

| Type of Fertilizers                     | Number of Holdings |        |           |        |           |        |
|---|--------------------|--------|-----------|--------|-----------|--------|
|   | 1978               |        | 1978      |        | 1988      |        |
|   | nos.               | %      | nos.      | %      | nos.      | %      |
| 1. Total No.of Holdings                 | 166,172            | 100.00 | 1,899,365 | 100.00 | 2,179,562 | 100.00 |
| 2. Holdings that do not Use Fertilizers | 589,517            | 35.50  | 513,114   | 27.00  | 306,938   | 14.10  |
| 3. Holdings that Use fertilizers :      | 1,070,655          | 64.50  | 1,386,251 | 73.00  | 1,872,624 | 85.90  |
| a) Only Inorganic Fertilizers           | 312,837            | 18.80  | 339,868   | 17.90  | 521,374   | 23.90  |
| b) Only Organic Fertilizers             | 233,799            | 14.10  | 225,527   | 11.90  | 153,688   | 7.10   |
| c) Both Types of Fertilizers            | 524,019            | 31.60  | 820,856   | 43.20  | 1,197,562 | 54.90  |

Source : Intercensal Survey of National Statistics Office, 1988

**Table 2.24 Number of Holdings that Use Fertilizers by Type of Fertilizers and by Size of Holding, 1988**

| Size of Holding (rai) | Total No. of Holdings | No. of Holdings Not Using Fertilizer | No. of Holdings - Using Fertilizers |              |            | Total     |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|--------------|------------|-----------|
|                       |                       |                                      | Inorganic only                      | Organic only | Both Types |           |
| All Size              | 2,179,562             | 306,938                              | 521,374                             | 153,688      | 1,197,562  | 1,872,624 |
| <6                    | 157,201               | 36,390                               | 33,049                              | 19,396       | 68,366     | 120,811   |
| 6-9.9                 | 224,634               | 37,575                               | 54,632                              | 17,542       | 114,885    | 187,059   |
| 10-39.9               | 1,493,807             | 201,725                              | 358,774                             | 95,807       | 837,501    | 1,292,082 |
| 40-139.9              | 296,549               | 30,261                               | 73,231                              | 19,938       | 173,119    | 266,288   |
| >140                  | 7,371                 | 987                                  | 1,688                               | 1,005        | 3,691      | 6,384     |

Source : Intercensal Survey of National Statistics Office, 1988

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**Table 2.25 SO<sub>2</sub> Emission in Northeast Region (by Sector & Year)**

| Sector           | (Unit: ton/year) |                 |
|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
|                  | 1991             | 2011            |
| Industry         | 11,549 (33.88%)  | 30,398 (50.51%) |
| Agriculture      | 8,236            | 7,511           |
| Res. & Comm.     | 639              | 628             |
| Transportation   | 13,665           | 21,642          |
| Power Generation | 1                | 2               |
| Refineries       | 0                | 0               |
| Total            | 34,089           | 60,181          |

Source: 'The Greening of Thai Industry: Producing More and Polluting Less', TDRI 1990 year end conference

Table 2.26 Number of Manufacturing Enterprises in Provinces of Study Area in 1989

|                                    | Nakhon<br>Nayok | Prachin<br>Buri | Nakhon<br>Ratchasima | Buri Ram | Surin | Si Sa Ket | Ubon<br>Ratchatani | Yasothon | Mukdahan | Study<br>Area |
|------------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------------|----------|-------|-----------|--------------------|----------|----------|---------------|
| I                                  |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Food Processing                    | 112             | 837             | 3,328                | 2,567    | 1,767 | 2,560     | 1,946              | 598      | 64       | 13,779        |
| Rice Mills                         | 97              | 430             | 2,330                | 2,302    | 1,685 | 2,415     | 1,873              | 564      | 37       | 11,733        |
| Casava Mills                       | 0               | 328             | 802                  | 222      | 39    | 98        | 30                 | 22       | 10       | 1,551         |
| Meat Products                      | 0               | 4               | 32                   | 2        | 3     | 0         | 2                  | 0        | 2        | 45            |
| Milk Products                      | 4               | 3               | 19                   | 4        | 1     | 11        | 4                  | 1        | 4        | 51            |
| Flour & Grain Mills<br>(Exe. Rice) | 2               | 17              | 35                   | 3        | 11    | 20        | 10                 | 3        | 3        | 105           |
| II                                 |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Textiles                           | 1               | 1               | 43                   | 1        | 1     | 1         | 1                  | 1        | 0        | 50            |
| III                                |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Wood & Furniture                   | 1               | 6               | 9                    | 1        | 9     | 2         | 4                  | 4        | 10       | 46            |
| IV                                 |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Pulp & Paper                       | 0               | 2               | 0                    | 1        | 0     | 1         | 3                  | 0        | 0        | 7             |
| V                                  |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Chemicals & Chem Prods.            | 2               | 4               | 28                   | 0        | 3     | 2         | 11                 | 1        | 1        | 52            |
| VI                                 |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Non-Metallic Prods.                | 16              | 48              | 95                   | 37       | 46    | 23        | 49                 | 20       | 19       | 353           |
| VII                                |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Engineering Industries             | 13              | 67              | 271                  | 29       | 53    | 3         | 172                | 14       | 18       | 640           |
| VIII                               |                 |                 |                      |          |       |           |                    |          |          |               |
| Prec. Mach. & Others               | 20              | 28              | 134                  | 21       | 36    | 6         | 66                 | 10       | 17       | 338           |
| Total                              | 178             | 1,023           | 3,951                | 2,671    | 1,927 | 2,697     | 2,269              | 653      | 134      | 15,413        |

**Table 2.27 Biochemical Oxygen Demand (BOD) Load to Major Rivers in Thailand, 1986**

| River Name      | DO of River<br>(mg/l) | Std. DO<br>(mg/l) | No. of<br>Factories<br>a/ | Flow<br>1,000 cu.m.<br>(Per Year) | BOD Load<br>(Tons/Yr) | 70% Cost of<br>Treatment b/<br>(Million b.) | Treatment<br>Residual BOD<br>(Tons/Yr) |
|-----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|---|--|
| Bang Pakong     | 4                     | -                 | 135                       | 13,997                            | 86,761                | 60.73                                       | 26,028                                 |
| Chao Phraya     | 0.3                   | 2                 | 351                       | 53,224                            | 81,426                | 57.00                                       | 24,428                                 |
| East Coast Gulf | -                     | -                 | 123                       | 16,345                            | 80,427                | 56.30                                       | 24,128                                 |
| Mun             | 3                     | -                 | 84                        | 7,350                             | 75,867                | 53.11                                       | 22,760                                 |
| Thachin         | <2                    | 2                 | 376                       | 166,757                           | 56,033                | 39.22                                       | 16,810                                 |
| Mae Klong       | >4                    | -                 | 22                        | 47,741                            | 48,910                | 34.24                                       | 14,673                                 |
| Ping            | -                     | -                 | 17                        | 125,087                           | 30,254                | 21.18                                       | 9,076                                  |
| Nan             | -                     | -                 | 19                        | 101,866                           | 21,819                | 15.27                                       | 6,546                                  |
| Chi             | -                     | -                 | 82                        | 18,015                            | 19,106                | 13.37                                       | 5,732                                  |
| Klong           | -                     | -                 | 55                        | 1,532                             | 7,091                 | 4.96  | 2,127                                  |
| Prachin Buri    | -                     | -                 | 27                        | 281                               | 4,618                 | 3.28  | 1,385                                  |
| Wang            | -                     | -                 | 13                        | 1,517                             | 3,719                 | 3.60  | 1,110                                  |
| Yom             | -                     | -                 | 5                         | 102                               | 296                   | 0.21  | 89                                     |
| Kok             | -                     | -                 | 2                         | 18                                | 55                    | 0.04  | 16                                     |
| <b>Total</b>    |                       |                   | <b>1,311</b>              | <b>553,832</b>                    | <b>516,382</b>        | <b>362.51</b>                               | <b>154,908</b>                         |

Note : a/ This amount of load covers only factories under monitoring scheme of the Department of Industrial Works.

b/ Assuming cost of treatment = 1000 baht ton

Source : Department of Industrial Works, Office of the National Environment Board, 1986  
Department of Health, 1986

**Table 2.28 Number of Top Five Hazardous-Waste Producing Industries in Provinces of Study Area in 1989**

| Province            | Type of Industry |                        |                       |                         |                      | Total |
|---------------------|------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------------|-------|
|                     | Basic<br>Metal   | Fabricated<br>Products | Transport<br>Products | Electrical<br>Machinery | Chemical<br>Products |       |
| Nakhon Nayok        | 0                | 5                      | 21                    | 1                       | 2                    | 29    |
| Prachin Buri        | 0                | 9                      | 35                    | 4                       | 4                    | 52    |
| Nakhon Ratchasima * | 2                | 54                     | 180                   | 8                       | 5                    | 249   |
| Buri Ram            | 0                | 7                      | 24                    | 0                       | 0                    | 31    |
| Surin               | 1                | 14                     | 45                    | 0                       | 0                    | 60    |
| Si Sa Ket           | 0                | 0                      | 2                     | 0                       | 1                    | 3     |
| Ubon Ratchathani    |                  |                        |                       |                         |                      |       |
| Yasothon            | 0                | 4                      | 11                    | 0                       | 0                    | 15    |
| Mukdahan            | 0                | 2                      | 23                    | 0                       | 0                    | 25    |

\* Nakhon Ratchasima ranks 5th among provinces in the country generating hazardous wastes.

Note : Hazardous waste generating potential ranging system and grouping of industries based on hazardous nature of waste specified in the "Source".

Source : "The Greening of Thai Industry : Producing More and Polluting Less", TDR1 1990 Year End Conference.

**Table 3.1 Soil Types and Recommended Land Use (1/3)**

| Type of Soil   | General Description of Soils  | Recommended Land Use   | Major Management Required   |
|--|---|--|---|
| <b>AREAS WITH SOILS SUITED FOR UPLAND CROPS IN LOW RAINFALL ZONE</b> |   |  |   |
| 1.   | Deep nearly level to gently sloping, moderately well to well drained, medium to fine textured soils with moderate fertility.  | Permanent agricultural land: very suitable for 4 variety of upland crops, vegetables and fruit trees: suggested crops and maize, sorghum, cotton, tobacco, beans, nuts, sugar cane and castor bean.                            | Need ordinary management practices to maintain soil fertility and structure : irrigation is required for continuous cultivation of various upland crops.  |
| 2.   | Deep gently sloping, moderately well to well drained, fine textured soil with moderate to high fertility and consisting mainly of montmorillonite clay.   | Permanent agricultural land generally suitable for upland crops and fruit trees but choice of crops may be limited due to unfavorable surface texture (very sticky clay); suggested crops are corn, cotton, sorghum and beans. | Need proper cultivation and suitable fertilizer application: application of trace element may be required for some crops such as beans  |
| 3.   | Deep gently sloping to strongly sloping well to moderately well drained, fine textured soils with low or moderately low fertility.  | Permanent agricultural land; suitable for large variety of upland crops and fruit trees; suggested crops are corn, sorghum, cotton, castor bean, sugar cane and beans.   | Require proper fertilizer application and conservation practices such as contour tillage planting and terracing; (drought may occur during period of little rainfall in the rainfed area).  |
| 4.   | Deep gently sloping to strongly sloping, well to moderately well drained, medium to coarse textured soils with low fertility.   | Permanent agricultural land; generally suitable for upland crops and fruit trees but choice of crops may be limited; suggested crops are kenaf, beans, nuts, cassava, water melon, sugar cane and pineapple.                   | In addition to proper fertilization and good management measures to maintain soil fertility and structure, one or more special conservation practices such as contour tillage planting and terracing are required; (drought commonly occurs during periods of little rainfall in growing season of rainfed area). |
| 5.   | Shallow to moderately deep, gently sloping to moderately sloping, well to moderately well drained fine of medium textured soils with moderate fertility and high organic matter content in the surface. | Suitable for growing cultivate crops but choice of crops may be limited; suggested crops are maize, sorghum, cotton and beans.   | Need ordinary management including fertilizer application to maintain soil fertility and structure; proper conservation practices are required on moderately sloping soils.   |
| <b>AREAS WITH SOILS SUITED FOR PADDY (WET LAND) RICE</b>             |   |  |   |
| 6.   | Deep, level, poorly drained clayey low to moderately to low fertility   | Best suited for wet land rice in the rainy season; with irrigation multiple crops of rice, vegetables or other upland crops can be grown.  | Ordinary fertilizer application and irrigation to maintain productivity, irrigation suitable variety of rice.   |
| 7.   | Deep, level, poorly drained clayey low to moderately to low fertility   | Well suited for wet-land rice in the rainy season with irrigation multiple crops of rice vegetables or other upland crops can be grown.  | Proper fertilizer application irrigation and improved variety of rice.  |

**Table 3.1 Soil Types and Recommended Land Use (2/3)**

| Type of Soil  | General Description of Soils  | Recommended Land Use   | Major Management Required  |
|---|---|--|--|
| 8.  | Shallow to moderately deep, level, poorly drained, gravelly soils that include areas with lateritic outcrops.   | Can be used for growing wet-land rice in the rainy season under suitable management.   | Require intensive work and high investment to cultivated land; proper fertilizer application is necessary.                                       |
| 9.  | Deep level poorly drained, extremely acid clayey soils  | Wet-land rice under proper management is suggested.  | Proper fertilizer application especially N and P with lime, irrigation, improved variety of rice.  |
| 10.   | Deep, level to nearly level, poor drainage, medium textured or loamy soil with low to moderate fertility.   | Well suited for wet land rice in the rainy season; with irrigation multiple crops of rice, vegetables or other upland crops can be grown.                                    | Suitable fertilizer application; irrigation improved variety of rice (drought may occur during period of little rainfall in the rainfed area).   |
| 11.   | Deep level to nearly level, poorly drained, medium textured or loamy soils of high salt content.  | Generally suited for wet-land rice in the rainy season but may be risky due to high concentration of salt in soil during period of insufficient water supply.                | Adequate irrigation system to supply enough water in the growing season; proper fertilizer application.  |
| <b>AREAS WITH SOILS SUITED FOR TREE CROPS IN HIGH RAINFALL ZONE</b> |   |  |  |
| 12.   | Deep, gently sloping to strongly sloping moderately well to well drained, fine textured or clayey soils with low to moderately low fertility and of the humid zone.   | Best suited for various kinds of fruit trees (durian, rambutan, langsat, orange, mangosteen etc.) beverage crops (coffee) industrial oil crops (oil palm coconut) and rubber | Fertilizer application to maintain soils fertility; erosion control on sloping soils such as cover crops, terracing contour cropping, etc.       |
| 13.   | Deep, to moderately deep gently sloping to strongly sloping, moderately well to well drained soils with low fertility and of humid zone.                              | Well suited for many kinds of fruit trees, beverage crops, industrial oil crops and rubber.  | Proper fertilizer application; use of erosion control practices such as cover crops, terracing contour cropping, etc.                            |
| <b>AREAS WITH SOILS GENERALLY UNSUITED FOR CULTIVATED CROPS</b>     |   |  |  |
| 14.   | Shallow to very shallow, moderately sloping to steep, well to moderately well drainage gravelly soils including areas with laterite or bedrock near the surface.      | Generally not suited for cultivated crops with ordinary management practices; best suited for pasture and woodland.  | Special conservation practices are required on sloping soils; fertilizer application and proper cultivation practices are required.              |
| 15.   | Shallow, gently sloping to steep, moderately well to well drained; gravelly soils of the humid zone including areas with bedrock, laterite or stone near the surface. | Generally suited for rubber and pasture best suited for woodland.  | Proper fertilizer application, well prepared growing pit; use of erosion control practices such as cover crops, terracing, contour cropping etc. |



**Table 3.1 Soil Types and Recommended Land Use (3/3)**

| Type of Soil | General Description of Soils   | Recommended Land Use   | Major Management Required  |
|--------------|--|--|--|
| 16.          | Muddy soils on tidal flat prolonged deep flooding, regular flooding by sea water.  | Not suited for any commercial crops, better maintained for woodland (mangrove) production or construction of shrimp and fish ponds in local areas.   | Extensive improvement if being converted into cultivated land.   |
| 17.          | Peat and muck soils, prolonged deep flooding.  | Not suited for any crops; although reclamation has been made, choice of crops is limited.  | Reclamation entails costly inputs especially for drainage control and fertilizer application.                                  |
| 18.          | Deep, gently sloping, excessively drained sandy soils on beach or sandy terrace.   | Not suited for cultivated crops except for pasture; but where water supply is adequate, water melon and other vegetables can be produced; on beach area coconut is well adapted.                 | Proper fertilizer application; irrigation or water conservation.   |
| 19.          | Deep, gently sloping, excessively drained sandy soils with spodic horizon that occurs within 100 cm. from the soils surface; usually forming on beach ridges or sand bars. | Generally not suited for any crops due to limitation caused by spodic horizon except for pasture, but water melon, pine apple and cashew nut may be grown if adequate water supply is available. | Proper fertilizer application; water conservation is required if attempts to grow crops are made.                              |
| 20.          | Shallow to deep, well to excessively drained, rolling to very steep soils of the hills and mountains.  | Not suited for any commercial crops, suited for woodland or establishment of watershed protective vegetation.  | Not recommended to convert into cultivated land because it required very high input which will have impact on the environment. |

Source: Legend - Regional Land Use Potential Maps of DLD

Table 3.2 Land Use Potential of the Study Area (Area in Rai)

| Province                | Land Potential | Protected Forests | Paddy      | Field crops/<br>Tree crops | Unsuitable for cultivation | Water bodies | Total      |
|-------------------------|----------------|-------------------|------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|--------------|------------|
| Nakhon Nayok            |                | 11,450            | 870,000    | 31,600                     | 420,682                    | 1,250        | 1,334,982  |
| Prachin Buri            |                | 1,354,861         | 2,092,142  | 2,640,625                  | 1,187,500                  | 0            | 7,275,128  |
| Nakhon Ratchasima       |                | 1,560,782         | 4,661,235  | 5,576,923                  | 1,108,253                  | 61,964       | 12,969,157 |
| Buri Ram                |                | 253,950           | 3,580,403  | 1,954,670                  | 508,326                    | 11,596       | 6,308,945  |
| Surin                   |                | 81,149            | 4,115,960  | 1,018,640                  | 245,787                    | 31,184       | 5,492,720  |
| Si Sa Ket               |                | 502,681           | 3,186,232  | 1,131,160                  | 677,306                    | 24,110       | 5,521,489  |
| Ubon Ratchathani        |                | 1,421,635         | 3,738,239  | 4,203,972                  | 2,141,481                  | 190,441      | 11,695,768 |
| Yasothon                |                | 76,858            | 1,443,841  | 1,022,822                  | 16,106                     | 0            | 2,559,627  |
| Mukdahan                |                | 938,645           | 397,186    | 1,221,653                  | 18,373                     | 1,894        | 2,577,751  |
| Total                   |                | 6,202,011         | 24,085,238 | 18,802,065                 | 6,323,814                  | 322,439      | 55,735,567 |
| percentage distribution |                |                   |            |                            |                            |              |            |
| Nakhon Nayok            |                | 0.86%             | 65.17%     | 2.37%                      | 31.51%                     | 0.09%        | 100.00%    |
| Prachin Buri            |                | 18.62%            | 28.76%     | 36.30%                     | 16.32%                     | 0.00%        | 100.00%    |
| Nakhon Ratchasima       |                | 12.03%            | 35.94%     | 43.00%                     | 8.55%                      | 0.48%        | 100.00%    |
| Buri Ram                |                | 4.03%             | 56.75%     | 30.98%                     | 8.06%                      | 0.18%        | 100.00%    |
| Surin                   |                | 1.48%             | 74.93%     | 18.55%                     | 4.47%                      | 0.57%        | 100.00%    |
| Si Sa Ket               |                | 9.10%             | 57.71%     | 20.49%                     | 12.27%                     | 0.44%        | 100.00%    |
| Ubon Ratchathani        |                | 12.16%            | 31.96%     | 35.94%                     | 18.31%                     | 1.63%        | 100.00%    |
| Yasothon                |                | 3.00%             | 56.41%     | 39.96%                     | 0.63%                      | 0.00%        | 100.00%    |
| Mukdahan                |                | 36.41%            | 15.41%     | 47.39%                     | 0.71%                      | 0.07%        | 100.00%    |
| Total                   |                | 11.13%            | 43.21%     | 33.73%                     | 11.35%                     | 0.58%        | 100.00%    |

Source: GIS Database of Present Study

**Table 3.3 Land Use Evaluation**

| Potential Land Use   | Present Land Use | Irrigated Land | Paddy | Field Crops | Fruit and Tree Areas | Pasture and Grass Land | Forest | Reforestation Areas | Encroached Forests | Water Bodies | Barren Land | Mixed Paddy and Forest | Mixed Field Crop and Forest |
|--|------------------|----------------|-------|-------------|----------------------|------------------------|--------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------|-------------|------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1.1 Protected Forests  |                  | 2              | 2     | 2           | 2                    | 2                      | 1      | 2                   | 2                  | 1            | 2           | 2                      | 2                           |
| 2.1 Paddy  |                  | 3              | 3     | 3           | 3                    | 3                      | 1      | 2                   | 2                  | 1            | 3           | 5                      | 5                           |
| 2.2 Field Crops and Tree Crops   |                  | 4              | 4     | 4           | 4                    | 4                      | 1      | 2                   | 2                  | 1            | 4           | 5                      | 5                           |
| 2.3 Unsuitable for Cultivation but can be Pasture/Livestock Grazing Area or Woodland |                  | 5              | 5     | 5           | 5                    | 5                      | 1      | 2                   | 2                  | 1            | 5           | 5                      | 5                           |

Legend: (1) Protected Area  
 (2) Reforestation Area  
 (3) Intensive Paddy Cultivation Area  
 (4) Intensive Field Crop and Tree Crop Cultivation Area  
 (5) Land Area for Development

Table 3.4 Land Use Development Zones (All Areas in '000 Rai')

| Province                                      | Land Zone | Protected Areas | Reforestation Areas | Paddy Cultivation Areas | Field & Tree Crops | Development Areas | Total  |
|---|-----------|-----------------|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------|-------------------|--------|
| Nakhon Nayok                                  |           | 413             | 6                   | 850                     | 52                 | 3                 | 1,324  |
| Prachin Buri                                  |           | 1,590           | 547                 | 1,760                   | 1,852              | 1,525             | 7,274  |
| Nakhon Ratchasima                             |           | 1,720           | 790                 | 4,484                   | 4,666              | 1,237             | 12,897 |
| Buri Ram                                      |           | 492             | 238                 | 3,619                   | 1,584              | 370               | 6,303  |
| Surin   |           | 378             | 106                 | 3,982                   | 782                | 259               | 5,507  |
| Si Sa Ket                                     |           | 726             | 120                 | 3,077                   | 988                | 628               | 5,539  |
| Ubon Ratchathani                              |           | 2,952           | 441                 | 2,885                   | 2,390              | 3,040             | 11,708 |
| Yasothon                                      |           | 290             | 30                  | 1,273                   | 681                | 287               | 2,561  |
| Mukdahan                                      |           | 1,053           | 297                 | 193                     | 649                | 408               | 2,600  |
| Total   |           | 9,614           | 2,575               | 22,123                  | 13,644             | 7,757             | 55,713 |
| percentage of respective total province areas |           |                 |                     |                         |                    |                   |        |
| Nakhon Nayok                                  |           | 31.19%          | 0.45%               | 64.20%                  | 3.93%              | 0.23%             | 100.00 |
| Prachin Buri                                  |           | 21.86%          | 7.52%               | 24.20%                  | 25.46%             | 20.97%            | 100.00 |
| Nakhon Ratchasima                             |           | 13.34%          | 6.13%               | 34.77%                  | 36.18%             | 9.59%             | 100.00 |
| Buri Ram                                      |           | 7.81%           | 3.78%               | 57.42%                  | 25.13%             | 5.87%             | 100.00 |
| Surin   |           | 6.86%           | 1.92%               | 72.31%                  | 14.20%             | 4.70%             | 100.00 |
| Si Sa Ket                                     |           | 13.11%          | 2.17%               | 55.55%                  | 17.84%             | 11.34%            | 100.00 |
| Ubon Ratchathani                              |           | 25.21%          | 3.77%               | 24.64%                  | 20.41%             | 25.97%            | 100.00 |
| Yasothon                                      |           | 11.32%          | 1.17%               | 49.71%                  | 26.59%             | 11.21%            | 100.00 |
| Mukdahan                                      |           | 40.50%          | 11.42%              | 7.42%                   | 24.96%             | 15.69%            | 100.00 |
| Total   |           | 17.26%          | 4.62%               | 39.71%                  | 24.49%             | 13.92%            | 100.00 |

Source: GIS Analysis of Present Study

Table 4.1 Existing and Planned Industrial Estates in the Study Area

| Industrial Estate  | Site (From BKK)                               | Year of Completion | Area (Rai) * |           | Capital (Bt. Million) | Estimated Price ** (Bt./Rai) | Remarks         |
|--|---|--------------------|--------------|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------|
|  |   |                    | Total        | Available |                       |                              |                 |
| 1 Suranaree Industrial Zone  | Muang, Nakhon Ratchasima<br>260 Kms/Northeast | 1988               | 530          |           | 110                   | 90,000                       | Promoted by BOI |
| Phase I - General Industrial Zone<br>Phase II - General Industrial Zone    |   |                    | 1,500        | 1,500     | 390                   | 900,000-1,000,000            |                 |
| 2 (forming)  | Muang, Nakhon Ratchasima<br>300 Kms/Northeast | 1990               | 1,600        | 1,600     | 255                   | forming                      | Promoted by BOI |
| - General Industrial Zone  |   |                    |              |           |                       |                              |                 |
| 3 Prachin Buri Industrial<br>Park Project                                  | Kabin Buri, Prachin Buri<br>170 Kms/Northeast | 1191               | 1,768        | 1,768     | 335                   | forming                      | Promoted by BOI |
| - General Industrial Zone  |   |                    |              |           |                       |                              |                 |
| 4 Kabin Buri Industrial Zone   | Kabin Buri, Prachin Buri<br>160 Kms/East      | 1995               | 1,900        | 1,900     | 476                   | forming                      | Promoted by BOI |
| - General Industrial Zone  |   |                    |              |           |                       |                              |                 |
| 5 Prosperity I.E.<br>- Export Processing Zone<br>- General Industrial Zone | Srimahaphoe, Prachin Buri<br>125 Kms/East     | 1997               | 3,000        | 3,000     | 2,138                 | forming                      | Promoted by BOI |
| - General Industrial Zone  |   |                    |              |           |                       |                              |                 |
| 6 Ubon Ratchathani   |   | n.a.               | 3,048        | 3,048     | 25                    | forming                      | Promoted by BOI |

\* Rai = 0.4 Acres

\*\* The Estimated Price may be changed later

Source : Information and Promotion Service Division, Industrial Estate Authority of Thailand

**Table 4.2 Development Plans in the Study Area by Sectoral Base**

| Name of Area(s)  | Type of Sectors   | General Development Characteristics  | Industrial Sector  | Distribution and Trade Sector   | Telecommunication Sector  | Agricultural Sector |
|--|---|--|--|---|---|---------------------|
| 1 Nakhon Ratchasima Area<br>Core Zone : Nakhon Ratchasima Area<br>Related Towns : Pak Chong, Si Khua, Sung Noen, Chok Chai, Nong Ki, Bua Yai, Phimai | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(N.R) : Metal Working &amp; Machinery Industry Promotion Core Zone</li> <li>Small &amp; Medium Enterprise Dev. Area (Industries, Commerce &amp; Distribution Oriented)</li> <li>Livestock Dairy Products Dev. Area (Fresh)</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(N.R) : Metal Working Ind., Transportation Machinery Ind., Electrical Machinery Ind., Export Oriented Ind., Local Resource Based Ind.</li> <li>(P.C) : Agro-Industry</li> <li>(Phimai) : Chemical Ind.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(N.R) : Regional Truck Terminal</li> <li>(N.R) : Agricultural Export Processing Centre</li> <li>(N.R) : Industrial Parts Trade &amp; Distribution Centre</li> <li>To set up or revive Central Commodity Market (Muang Municipality Area)</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(U.R) : To establish tele-port Centre</li> <li>To build telecommunication links between the boundary</li> <li>To start variety of telecommunication services such as:                             <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Agricultural Information System</li> <li>ii) Rain Fall and Water Level Telemetering</li> <li>iii) Medical Treatment Information System</li> <li>iv) Telemeter VAN System</li> <li>v) Tourism Information System</li> </ul> </li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>"Common Projects or Not Specify the Areas"</li> <li>Groundwater Irrigation Development Project</li> <li>Small Reservoirs Development Project</li> <li>Agricultural Cooperative Institute Project</li> <li>Coat Bank Development Project</li> <li>Floating Net Cage Aquaculture Development Project</li> <li>Agricultural Marketing Service Centre Project</li> <li>Participatory Irrigation Improvement Project</li> <li>Drip Irrigation Development Project</li> <li>On-Farm Drainage Improvement Project</li> <li>Grain Local Assembly Market Development Project</li> </ul> |                     |
| 2 Burri Ram & Surin Areas<br>Core Zone : Burri Ram City<br>Related Towns : Surin City, Sa Tuk, Nang Rong, Prakhon Chai, Prasat                       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(B.R) : Food Supply Core Zone (Fresh canned &amp; bottled goods)</li> <li>(Surin) : Cottage Industry (Silverware, etc.) Development Core Zone</li> <li>Agro-Processing &amp; Cottage Ind. Promotion Area</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(U.R) : Agro-Industries, Consumer Related Ind., Metal Working Ind.</li> <li>"Common Projects or Not Specify the Areas"</li> <li>Agro-Industries</li> <li>Handicraft Industries</li> <li>Electrical Machinery Industries</li> <li>Local Resource Based Industries</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(U.R) : Regional Truck Terminal</li> <li>(U.R) : Agricultural Export/Processing Centre</li> <li>(U.R) : Industrial Parts Trade &amp; Distribution Centre</li> <li>(U.R) : Border Trade Centre</li> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>          | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(M.D) : To improve Border Trade Market Facilities</li> <li>(M.D) : Border Trade Centre</li> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  |                     |
| 3 Ubon Ratchathani Area<br>Core Zone : Ubon Ratchathani City<br>Related Towns : Si Sa Ket City, Phibun Mangsahan, Det Udom                           | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(U.R) : High-Tech Small &amp; Medium Industry Promotion Core Zone (Precision Machinery related)</li> <li>(U.R) : Inland Port (Airport Oriented Import &amp; Export) Development Core Zone</li> <li>Agro-Processing &amp; Consumer Related Goods Industry Development Area</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(M.D) : Border Trade &amp; In-Bond Programme Promotion Core Zone (Precision Machinery related)</li> <li>Livestock &amp; Pond Fish Processing Development Area (Fresh canned &amp; bottled goods)</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(P.B) : Consumer Related Ind., Export Oriented Industries</li> <li>(N.N) : Consumer Related Ind.</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A.P) : To improve Border Trade</li> <li>(A.P) : Border Trade Centre</li> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  |                     |
| 4 Mukdahan & Yasothon Areas<br>Core Zone : Mukdahan City<br>Related Towns : Yasothon City, Anant Charoen   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(P.B) : Hineritand Industry Core Zone</li> <li>High-Tech Industry Research &amp; Development Area (Science &amp; Technology Promotion Area)</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A.P) : Border Trade &amp; In-Bond Programme Promotion Core Zone</li> <li>Middle Industrial Technology Development Area</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  |                     |
| 5 Prachin Buri & Nakhon Nayok Areas<br>Core Zone : Prachin Buri City<br>Related Towns : Nakhon Nayok, Kabin Buri                                     | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(A.P) : Border Trade &amp; In-Bond Programme Promotion Core Zone</li> <li>Middle Industrial Technology Development Area</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  |                     |
| 6 Aranyaprathet Area<br>Core Zone : Aranyaprathet<br>Related Towns : Sa Kaco   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Central Commodity Market</li> </ul>  |                     |

• Project areas are not specified

**Table 4.3 Characterization of Major Urban Center and Clustering (1/2)**

| Major Urban Centers               | Characterization and Priority  | Other Urban Centers  |
|-----------------------------------|--|--|
| Nakhon Ratchasima                 | Regional center with multiple functions; location of labour-intensive, footloose industry; secondary tourism center; priority includes urban infrastructure to serve industries, urban land use plan and water resources development/management  | Pak Chong, Sikhiu, Sung Noen, Chok Chai, Pak Thong Chai (Bua Yai) Phimai |
| Ubon Ratchathani<br><br>Si Sa Ket | Sub-regional center with multiple functions; future location of teleport; development of its hinterlands is the key<br><br>Secondary agro-industrial center complementing Ubon Ratchathani specialized in livestock  | Warin Chamrap, Det Udom, Phibun Mangsahan<br><br>Kantarak                |
| Surin<br><br>Buri Ram             | Community urban growth center; center of handicrafts and rural industries; priority includes the link with the ESB and water resources development for diversified agriculture<br><br>Community urban growth center; future tourism center; priority includes better water management and beautification of the city, tourism areas and their access roads | Prasat<br><br>Prakhon Chai, Nang Rong, Satuk                             |

**Table 4.3 Characterization of Major Urban Center and Clustering (2/2)**

| Major Urban Centers  | Characterization and Priority   | Other Urban Centers  |
|--|---|----------------------|
| <p>Prachin Buri</p><br><br><br><br><br><br><br><p>Nakhon Nayok</p> | <p>Community urban growth center; alternative site for industries to be relocated from the BMA; center for fruits and vegetable processing; priority includes flood control and increased water supply</p><br><br><p>Controlled urban growth center; future science and technology center; priority includes flood control, enhancement of urban functions and effective land use control</p> | <p>Kabin Buri</p>    |
| <p>Aranyaprathet</p>   | <p>Controlled urban growth center; center for border trade and base for Indochina tourism; priority includes urban infrastructure and water supply</p>  | <p>Sa Kaeo</p>       |
| <p>Mukdahan</p><br><br><br><br><br><p>Yasothon</p>                 | <p>Border trade center; future connection to Laos and Vietnam through a new bridge over the Mekong; priority includes improvement of transport infrastructure</p><br><br><p>Secondary trade center located on the crossroads; aquaculture center; priority includes the improvement of road links with its hinterland</p>   | <p>Amnat Charoen</p> |



Table 4.4 Problems Encountered by Muang Municipality Offices in the Survey

| Problems Encountered by MMO  | Priority |   | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | Total |     | Point Rank |
|--|----------|---|---|---|---|---|-------|-----|------------|
|  | 1        | 5 |   |   |   |   | 4     | 1   |            |
| 1) Lack of pipe water  | 4        | - | - | - | 1 | - | 22    | (4) |            |
| 2) Poor conditions of road surface   | 4        | 2 | - | - | 1 | 1 | 31    | (2) |            |
| 3) Disposal of garbage system  | -        | 4 | 1 | 4 | - | - | 27    | (3) |            |
| 4) Water drainage system   | 1        | 2 | 5 | 1 | 2 | - | 32    | (1) |            |
| 5) Poor linkage of road system   | -        | - | - | - | - | - | -     |     |            |
| 6) Lack of electricity   | -        | 1 | - | - | - | - | 4     |     |            |
| 7) Lack of public electricity system   | -        | - | 1 | 1 | - | - | 4     |     |            |
| 8) Lack of agricultural products market  | -        | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1     |     |            |
| 9) Poor public health services   | -        | - | 1 | - | - | 1 | 4     |     |            |
| 10) Lack of job opportunity  | -        | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1     |     |            |
| 11) Poor sanitary market   | -        | - | - | - | - | 1 | 1     |     |            |
| 12) Poor fire distinguisher system   | -        | - | - | - | - | - | -     |     |            |
| 13) Poor conditions of agricultural land   | -        | - | 1 | - | - | - | 5     | (5) |            |
| 14) Waste water treatment system   | -        | - | - | - | - | - | 2     |     |            |
| 15) Public land encroachers  | -        | - | - | - | - | - | -     |     |            |
| 16) Other, including slaughter house environmental problems, public part traffic | -        | - | - | - | 1 | 1 | 1     |     |            |
| Total  | 9        | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 9 | 135   |     |            |

Source : Survey

**Table 4.5 Problems Encountered by Tambol Municipality Offices in the Survey**

| Problems Encountered by TMO   | 1                       | 2        | 3        | 4        | 5        | Total      | Point Rank |
|---|-------------------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|------------|------------|
|   | Priority Weighted point |          |          |          |          |            |            |
| 1) Lack of pipe water   | 6                       | 1        | -        | -        | -        | 34         | (1)        |
| 2) Poor conditions of road surface  | 1                       | 2        | 2        | 2        | -        | 23         | (3)        |
| 3) Disposal of Garbage System   | -                       | 1        | 3        | 1        | 1        | 16         | (4)        |
| 4) Water Drainage System  | 1                       | 3        | 1        | 3        | -        | 26         | (2)        |
| 5) Poor linkage of road system  | -                       | -        | -        | -        | -        | -          |            |
| 6) Lack of electricity  | -                       | 1        | -        | -        | -        | 4          |            |
| 7) Lack of Public Electricity System  | -                       | 1        | 1        | -        | -        | 7          | (5)        |
| 8) Lack of Agricultural Products market   | -                       | -        | -        | -        | 1        | 1          |            |
| 9) Poor Public Health Services  | 1                       | -        | -        | -        | -        | 5          |            |
| 10) Lack of Job Opportunity   | -                       | -        | 1        | 1        | -        | 5          |            |
| 11) Poor sanitary market  | -                       | -        | -        | 1        | 1        | 3          |            |
| 12) Poor Fire Distinguisher System  | -                       | -        | -        | -        | -        | -          |            |
| 13) Poor conditions of Agricultural Land  | -                       | -        | -        | -        | -        | -          |            |
| 14) Waste Water Treatment System  | -                       | -        | 1        | -        | 2        | 5          |            |
| 15) Public Land Encrochers  | -                       | -        | -        | -        | -        | -          |            |
| 16) Others, including slaughter house environmental problems, public part traffic | -                       | -        | -        | 1        | 4        | 6          |            |
| <b>Total</b>  | <b>9</b>                | <b>9</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>9</b> | <b>135</b> |            |

Source: Survey

**Table 4.6 Development Needs Calculated from the Weighted Pointed According to Priorities**

| Development Needs   | Tambol Municipality<br>Offices | Muang Municipality<br>Offices | Ranking |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1) Drinking water & utility water   | 34                             | 17                            | 3       |
| 2) Improvement of road conditions in the designated area  | 33                             | 25                            | 1       |
| 3) Provision of electricity and public utility  | 16                             | 10                            | 4       |
| 4) Public health services   | 8                              | 3                             | 8       |
| 5) Water drainage system  | 23                             | 31                            | 2       |
| 6) Waste water treatment  | 10                             | 13                            | 5       |
| 7) Land settlement programme  | 4                              | 5                             | 9       |
| 8) Sanitary market  | -                              | 1                             | 13      |
| 9) Local market for agricultural product  | -                              | 4                             | 14      |
| 10) Creat jobs (setting up industrial plants)   | -                              | 5                             | 10      |
| 11) Garbage disposal system   | 5                              | 13                            | 6       |
| 12) Provide irrigation system   | -                              | -                             | -       |
| 13) Financial support   | 3                              | -                             | 2       |
| 14) Others (fire distinguisher, residential area, parking area, park, determine the boundaries) | 5                              | 8                             | 7       |

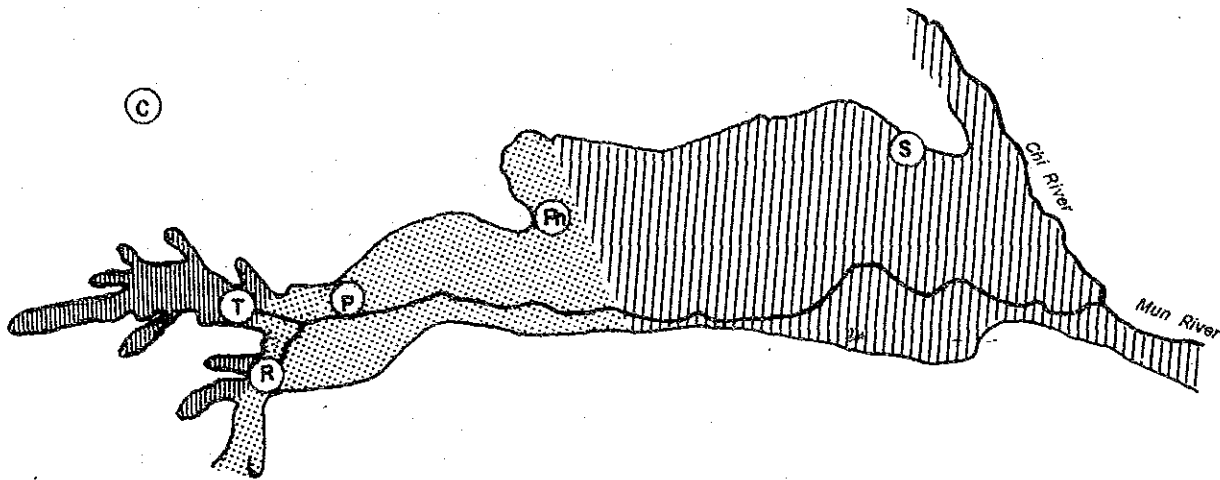
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**Table 5.1 Proposed Land Utilization in 2010 (All Area in '000 Rai')**

| Province   | Protected Areas | Paddy Cultivation Areas | Field Crops   | Economic Forests     |                         |                       | Total        | Other Landuse |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------------|---------------|
|  |                 |                         |               | From Tree Crops Area | From Reforestation Area | From Development Area |              |               |
| Nakhon Nayok   | 413             | 850                     | 52            | 0                    | 6                       | 0                     | 6            | 3             |
| Prachin Buri   | 1,590           | 1,760                   | 1,852         | 431                  | 547                     | 410                   | 1,388        | 1,115         |
| Nakhon Ratchasima                                    | 1,720           | 4,484                   | 4,666         | 645                  | 790                     | 649                   | 2,084        | 588           |
| Buri Ram   | 492             | 3,619                   | 1,584         | 315                  | 238                     | 200                   | 753          | 170           |
| Surin  | 378             | 3,982                   | 782           | 275                  | 106                     | 100                   | 481          | 159           |
| Si Sa Ket  | 726             | 3,077                   | 988           | 277                  | 120                     | 277                   | 674          | 351           |
| Ubon Ratchathani                                     | 2,952           | 2,885                   | 2,390         | 585                  | 441                     | 892                   | 1,918        | 2,148         |
| Yasothon   | 290             | 1,273                   | 681           | 128                  | 30                      | 128                   | 286          | 159           |
| Mukdahan   | 1,053           | 193                     | 649           | 130                  | 297                     | 130                   | 557          | 278           |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>9,614</b>    | <b>22,123</b>           | <b>13,644</b> | <b>2,786</b>         | <b>2,575</b>            | <b>2,786</b>          | <b>8,147</b> | <b>4,971</b>  |
| <b>Percentage of Respective Total Province Areas</b> |                 |                         |               |                      |                         |                       |              |               |
| Nakhon Nayok   | 31.19           | 64.20                   | 3.93          | 0.00                 | 0.45                    | 0.00                  | 0.44         | 0.22          |
| Prachin Buri   | 21.86           | 24.20                   | 25.46         | 5.93                 | 7.52                    | 5.64                  | 19.08        | 15.33         |
| Nakhon Ratchasima                                    | 13.34           | 34.77                   | 36.18         | 5.00                 | 6.13                    | 5.00                  | 16.16        | 4.56          |
| Buri Ram   | 7.81            | 57.42                   | 25.13         | 5.00                 | 3.78                    | 3.17                  | 11.95        | 2.70          |
| Surin  | 6.86            | 72.31                   | 14.20         | 5.00                 | 1.92                    | 1.82                  | 8.73         | 2.89          |
| Si Sa Ket  | 13.11           | 55.55                   | 17.84         | 5.00                 | 2.17                    | 5.00                  | 12.17        | 6.34          |
| Ubon Ratchathani                                     | 25.21           | 24.64                   | 20.41         | 5.00                 | 3.77                    | 7.62                  | 16.38        | 18.35         |
| Yasothon   | 11.32           | 49.71                   | 26.59         | 5.00                 | 1.17                    | 5.00                  | 11.17        | 6.21          |
| Mukdahan   | 40.50           | 7.42                    | 24.96         | 5.00                 | 11.42                   | 5.00                  | 21.42        | 10.69         |
| <b>Total</b>   | <b>17.26</b>    | <b>39.71</b>            | <b>24.49</b>  | <b>5.00</b>          | <b>4.62</b>             | <b>5.00</b>           | <b>14.62</b> | <b>8.92</b>   |

# Figures





-  Hill Area
-  Valley Area
-  Basin Area ( Thung Kula Ronghai )
-  Chaiyaphum
-  Non-Thai
-  Nakhon Ratchasima
-  Phimai
-  Phurthaisong
-  Suwannaphum

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**Figure 2.1**

**Three Salinity Areas in the  
Mun River Drainage**

# MUN RIVER

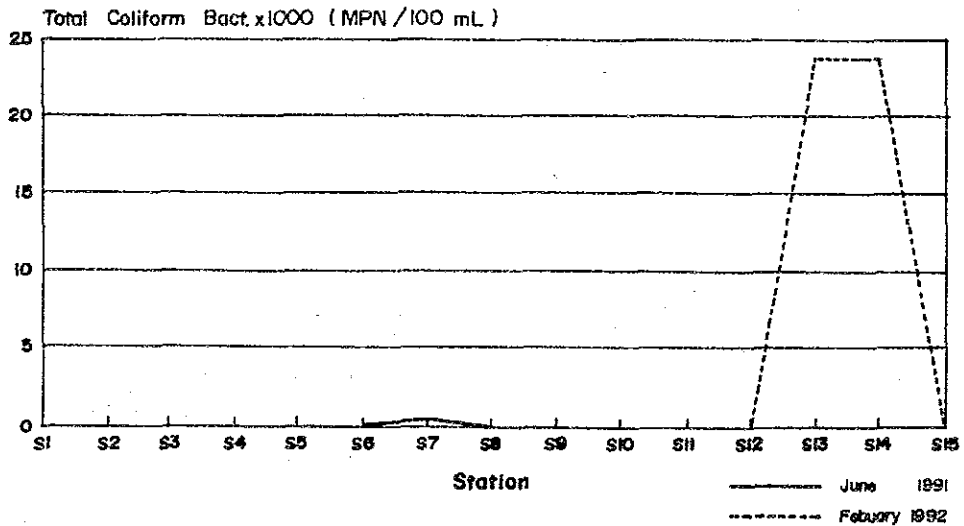
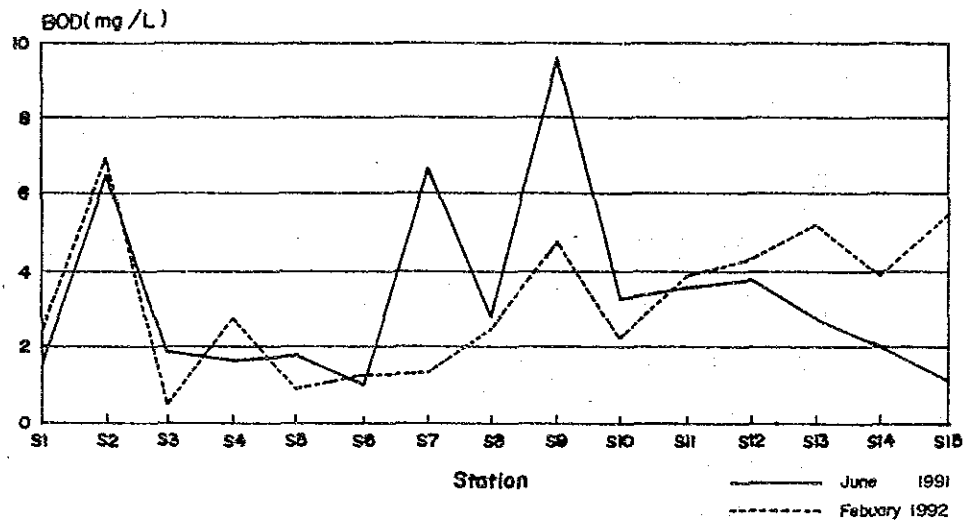
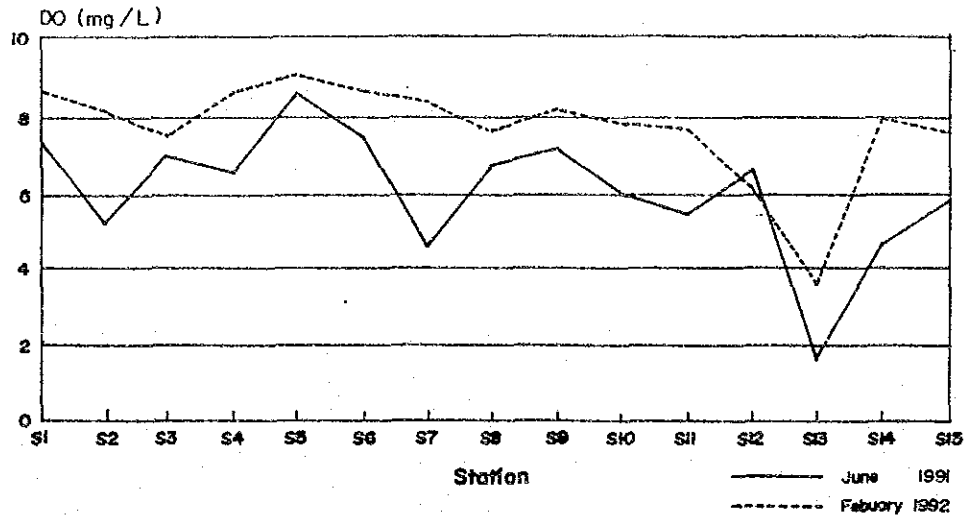


Figure 2.2 BOD, DO and Total Coliform Bacteria in Mun River, 1991-92  
 Source: National Environment Board



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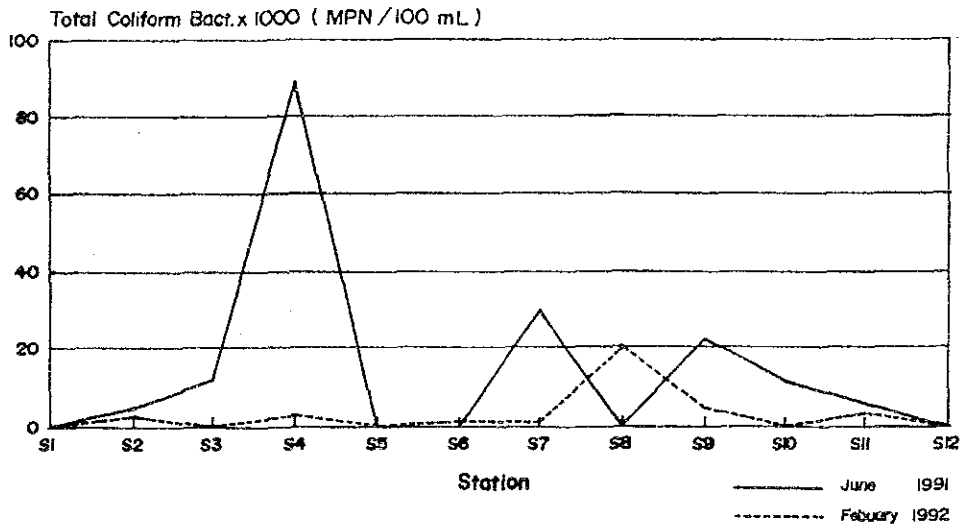
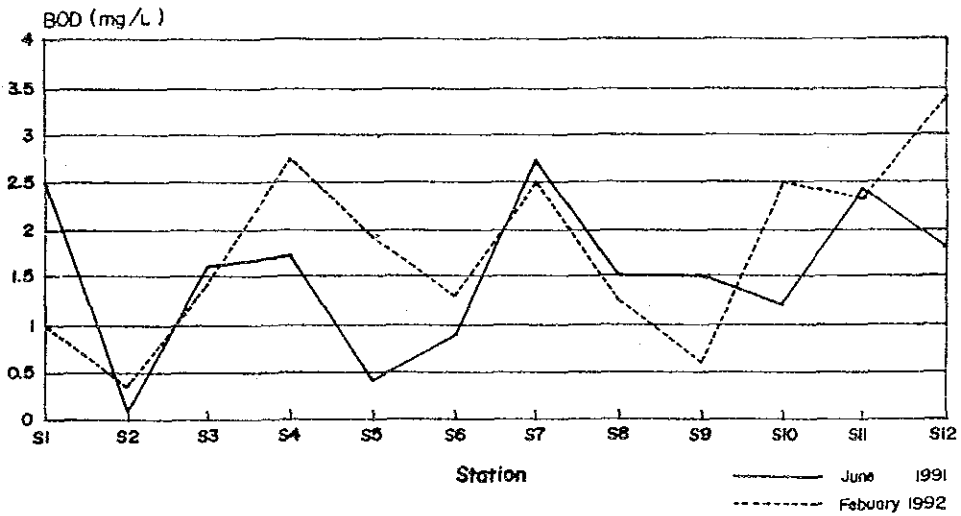
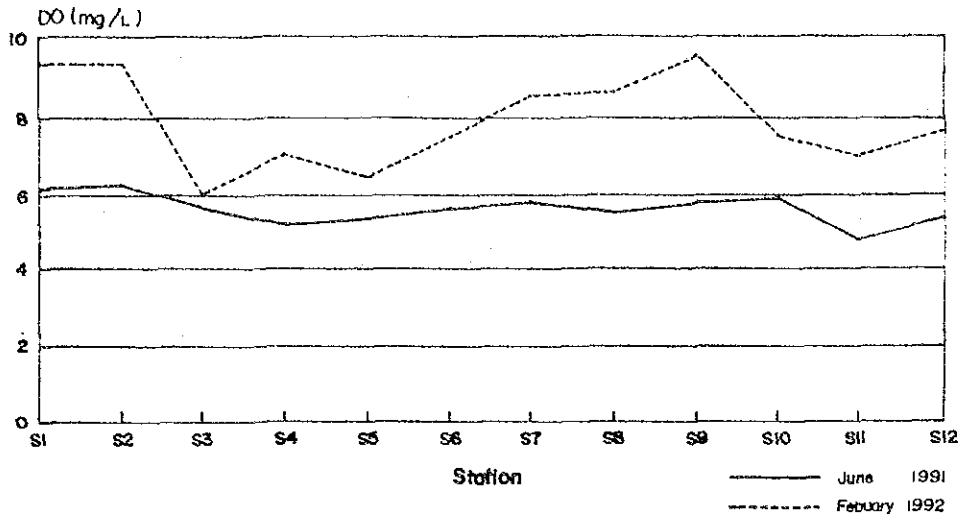
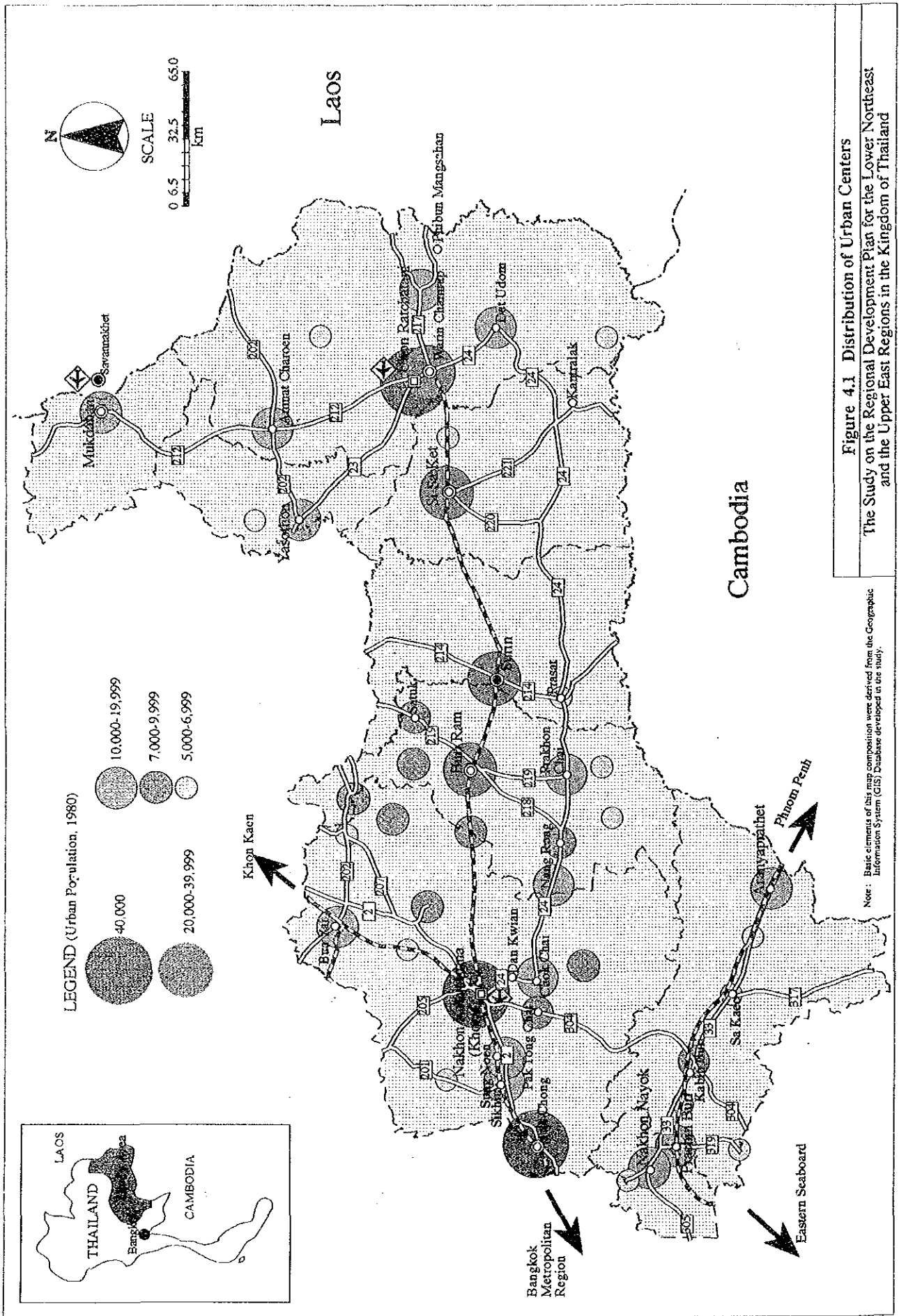


Figure 2.3 BOD, DO and Total Coliform Bacteria in Chi River, 1991-92  
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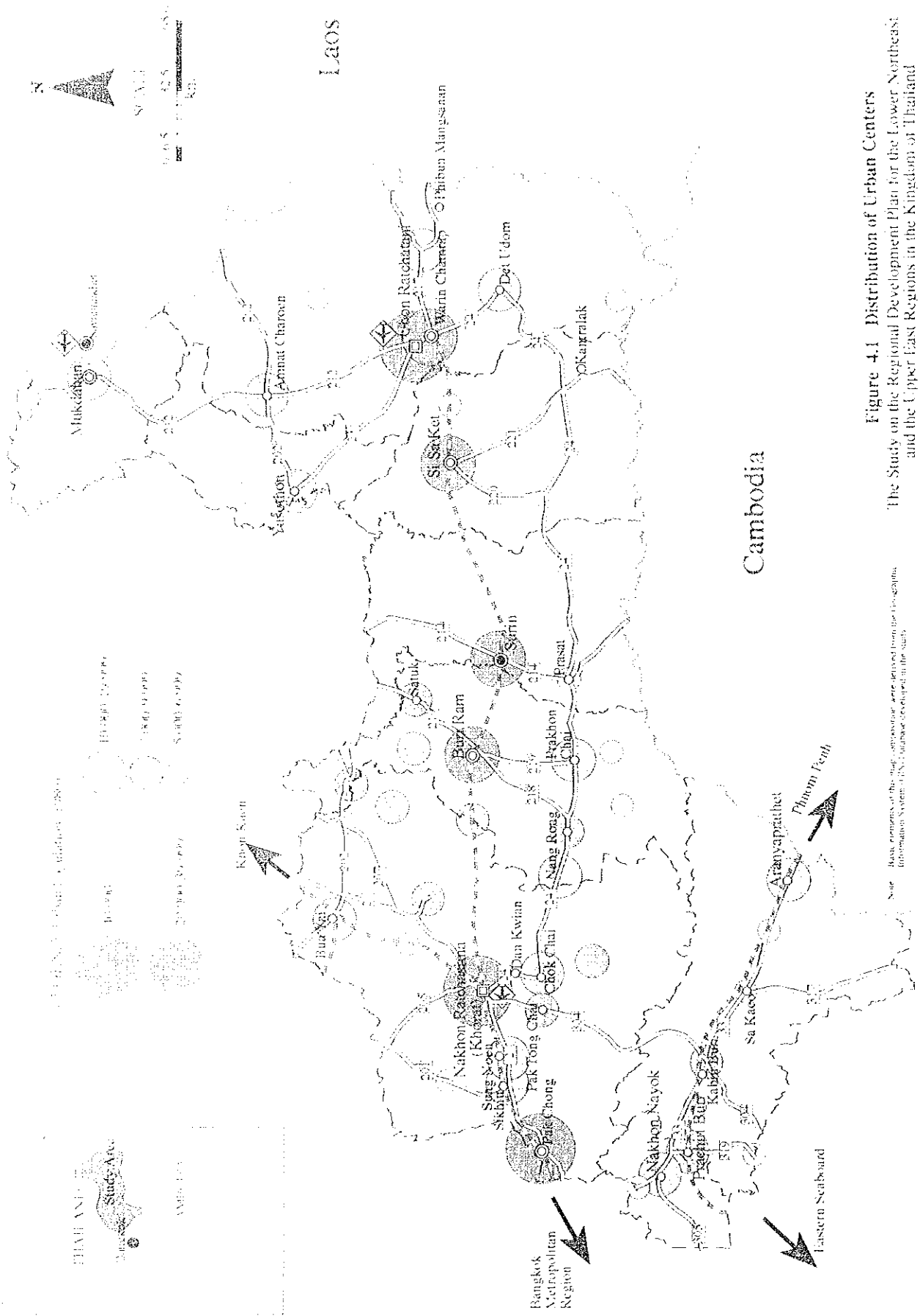


Figure 4.1 Distribution of Urban Centers  
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and the Upper East Regions in the Kingdom of Thailand

Note: Basic elements of the map composition were derived from the Geographic Information System (GIS) database developed in the study.

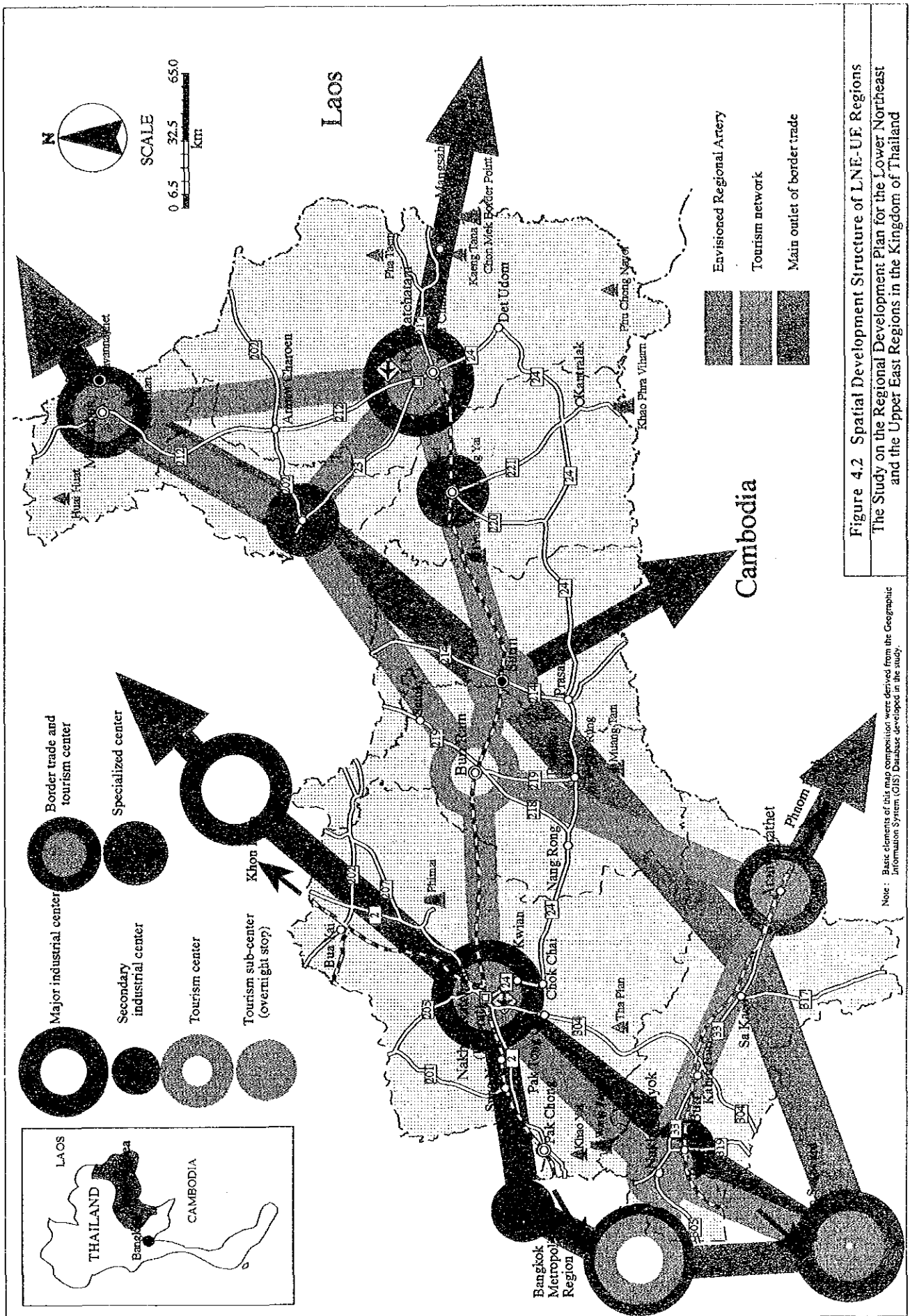


Figure 4.2 Spatial Development Structure of LNE-UE Regions  
 The Study on the Regional Development Plan for the Lower Northeast  
 and the Upper East Regions in the Kingdom of Thailand

Note : Basic elements of this map composition were derived from the Geographic Information System (GIS) Database developed in the study.





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## APPENDIX A

### Profiles of Proposed Projects for Achieving Targeted Development

Project Code No., LE-1

- Project Title:** Problem Soil Management and Soil Erosion Prevention
- Location:** All provinces of lower north east and upper east Thailand Study Area
- Executing Agency:** Land Development Department (LDD) in the Ministry of Agriculture and Cooperatives
- Objectives:** To formulate plans for management of problem soils and minimization of soil erosion in the study area leading to sustainable productive use of land.

#### Project Description:

The project will consist of the following tasks to be carried out in parallel with one another.

1. To prepare a comprehensive inventory of problem soils and erosion hazard soils using a Geographic Information System (GIS).
2. Do a comprehensive review of earlier studies, carry out additional surveys and establish pilot projects covering all types of problem soils and soil erosion problems in different land use categories. Study to determine problems associated with various kinds of problem soils and soil erosion losses would be done in order to determine suitable land use alternatives well suited to local conditions. Studies to determine ways and means of reclaiming and rehabilitating areas exhausted by various kinds of problem soils will be done. Soil erosion losses would be determined in various kinds of land use by field surveys and tests.
3. Elaborate means of transmitting the technology for improved problem soil management and minimization of soil erosion losses. The importance of local communities and NGOs, as well as benefits derived by free dissemination of ideas between all groups involved would be considered.
4. Formulation of guidelines for future policy making in problem soil and soil erosion research, development, and management for the Study Area.

- Project Duration:** Three years
- Cost:** Undetermined
- Timing:** Urgent, Seventh Plan

**Priority:** High

**Comments:**

1. The present study used a GIS to map and determine existing land use in major problem soil types (acid sulphate, saline, sandy and skeletal), and erosion hazard soil types in the study area. The analysis was at the regional level and groupings of problem soil groups and erosion hazard soils were simplified. Nevertheless, they are an excellent basis to commence more detailed mapping and analysis using a GIS. This would then facilitate tasks 2, 3, and 4 listed under project description above.
2. The mapping component using a GIS in this project could become a sub-project under the Land Information System Development Project.

- Project Title:** Fragrant wood afforestation program
- Location:** Reforestation areas in the provinces Buriram, Surin, Si Sa Ket, Ubon Ratchathani, Yasothon and Mukdahan
- Executing Agency:** Royal Forestry Department in cooperation with NGO groups
- Objectives:** Formulate an attractive agro-forestry and agro-industrial alternative in line with national and regional goals of economic forestry development and economic development

**Project Description:**

1. Study to determine tree species suited to water and soil conditions of the Study area.
2. Do a feasibility study to examine international market prospects of fragrant wood.
3. Identify areas for pilot implementation.
4. Formulate a comprehensive implementation program with active local participation and involvement of NGOs.

**Project Duration:** 1 year for the Feasibility study. Pilot scale implementation and monitoring in a phased manner over several years.

**Project cost:** Undetermined

**Timing and priority:** Urgent, within Seventh Plan Period

**Comments:**

1. Many species of fragrant woods exist which:
  - (a) are suitable to soil and water conditions of North East Thailand.
  - (b) can earn economic profits in the international market. Huge demand exist for fragrant woods in East and South Asian countries, Middle East countries, and European countries for various purposes.
2. The study would lead to determination of an alternative agro-forestry crop help in economic upliftment of local communities by offering them a good income earning opportunity, and help in meeting national economic forest targets as well as regional economic development targets.
3. Involvement of local communities and NGOs is vital right from project inception. A participatory approach needs to be adopted. Benefits must trickle

down to the local population living in the reforestation sites. The local communities become the principal participants and undertakers of the project, with help, guidance and assistance, both technical and financial, from governmental and non-governmental agencies.

4. This project could be a sub-project of the economic reforestation project.

**Project Title:** Development of a Regional Environmental Monitoring System and Linking it with a Geographic Information System (GIS)

**Location:** All provinces

**Executing Agency:** Office of National Environmental Board (ONEB) in cooperation with NESDB, RFD and LDD

**Objectives:**

1. To establish a regional Environmental Monitoring and Evaluation Database System (EMEDS) for the LNE-UE region. The EMEDS would provide a common basis for carrying out EIAs of individual projects. It would enable storage, manipulation, archiving, processing and presentation of environmental and socio-economic data by computer techniques.
2. To link the EMEDS with a GIS to enable detailed environmental assessment and analysis on a geographic basis.
3. To implement the EMEDS and GIS developed in one of the provinces - say Nakhon Ratchasima.

**Project Description:**

The project will involve the following tasks that will be carried out in parallel with one another:

- (1) Review of existing data and study reports. This will lead to identification of existing and foreseen problems and the clarification of needs for additional data collection.
- (2) Review of existing organization and institutions.
- (3) Supplemental surveys.
- (4) Determination of monitoring indices for various environmental aspects. Four main environmental parameters will be focussed on. These are:
  - (a) Physical resources including physico-chemical effects on water and soils,
  - (b) Ecological resources including the biological effects on fisheries and aquatic life.
  - (c) Value for human use including the impact on agriculture and land use and the impact of agro-chemicals, and
  - (d) Quality of life with emphasis on socio-economic aspects.
- (5) Design of the EMEDS.
- (6) Development of a GIS to enable geographic spatial queries and analysis of the designed EMEDS.

- (7) Establishment of the EMEDR and GIS in one of the study area provinces say Nakhon Ratchasima province. Training of personnel would also be included for facilitating transfer of technology.

**Timing and Priority:** Very urgent, very high priority

**Cost and Financing:**

**Comments:**

1. The urgency in addressing natural resources and environmental management issues in Thailand and particularly in the LNE-UE region is recognized. For sustainable use of natural resources, environmental conditions need to be integrated into the planning process itself. For proper enforcement of laws and regulations promulgated for environmental protection, baseline information on environmental and natural resources parameters is necessary. This information needs to be collected on a regular basis, to determine changes and effects on the environment. This process of environmental data collection, storage and analysis is best done by the development of a EMEDS.
2. There is always a geographic dimension to environmental assessment. Spatial queries as to where a problem is present and what is the spatial extent of the area it is affecting need to be known. The development of a GIS and linking it to the EMEDS would enable geographic analysis and mapping of environmental issues. Environmental assessment and modelling would be greatly facilitated. This in turn would help authorities involved in environmental control and enforcement to have sound, reliable and effective information.
3. The GIS sub-component of this project could form a sub-project under the Land Resources Information System Development Project.

**Project Title:** Green Wedge  
**Location:** Buri Ram, Surin provinces  
**Executing Agency:** Royal Forestry Department

**Objectives:**

1. To improve the quality of life of local inhabitants in the zone through development of a reforested natural environment.
2. To improve the conditions for water resource management to benefit drinking water supply and irrigation.
3. To improve the natural environs of tourist attractions of Khao Phanom Rung Historical Park, Muang Tam and Tam Miang sites.
4. To provide a refreshing natural environment for development of a new Elephant Park as a tourist attraction.

**Project Description:**

- (1) Development of a reforestation program covering selected districts in central and southern parts of the provinces.
- (2) Design and implementation of an educational program for affected populations to improve their water consumption habits.
- (3) Urban beautification of Buri Ram City, Nang Rong.
- (4) Preparation of a riverside location as an elephant habitat to accommodate the Elephant Park.

**Timing and Priority:** Seventh and Eighth Plans

**Cost and Financing:** Public Source

**Comments:**

Coordination with the Green Isan project is essential. Also, the possibility of improving any of the ancient ponds and canals in the zone for modern use for purposes of beautification, irrigation or water storage, will be explored. Success of this project will lead to its application in other parts of Thailand (or Indochina) as a pilot project.

- Project Title:** Economic Reforestation Program
- Location:** Reforestation areas targeted for economic forests in all provinces
- Executing Agency:** RFD in cooperation with ONEB and LDD
- Objectives:** To formulate a comprehensive reforestation program with multiple objectives in line with provincial and national economic forestation targets.

**Project Description:**

The project will involve the following tasks which will be carried out in parallel with one another.

- (1) Review of existing data and study reports. This would lead to identification of purposes and needs for reforestation - for agro-industrial needs, fuel wood needs of general population and other community needs. Relevant sub-projects would be formulated.
- (2) Review of existing organization and institutions and all concerned groups.
- (3) Formulation of comprehensive reforestation plan with multiple objectives including cost benefit analysis for various groups involved . Establishment of forestry villages.
- (4) Implementation of formulated plan in the established forestry villages in a phased manner.

**Timing:** Urgent, implementation in a phased manner during 7th National Plan period

**Duration required for study and implementation:** 5 years.

**Cost and Project Financing:** undetermined

**Comments:**

1. The project has considerable benefits. It will help prevention of encroachment of Protected Forests and will generate considerable income generating opportunities.
2. The project will help to tackle the social environmental problem of occupancy of national forestry reserves and will adopt a participatory approach with active involvement of local communities and NGO groups to work in coordination with governmental agencies. The project will lead to establishment of forestry villages which will be self sustaining and which in the long run become the backbone of agro-industrial development of the study area.



3. The fragrant wood reforestation program project could eventually be a sub-project under this project.

**Project Title:** Protected area buffer zone program

**Location:** Around Protected area (existing natural forests and water bodies) identified in all provinces of LNE-UE region

**Executing Agency:** Royal Forestry Department in cooperation with ONEB, LDD and NGO group(s).

**Objectives:**

1. To formulate a comprehensive land use plan in a 5 km buffer zone around Protected Areas and to determine ways of implementing it, giving protection of adjacent natural forest and top priority.
2. Promote a sense of environmental consciousness while improving the quality of life and standard of living of villagers living in villages within the buffer zone.
3. Formulate plans to promote local community and private sector involvement in forest resource protection by determining and defining roles, responsibilities and inter-relationships of various groups and institutions involved in environmental management.
4. Implement the plan around Khao Yai National Park.

**Project Description:**

The project involves the following tasks carried out in parallel with one another:

1. Review of existing data, study reports, institutions and policies. This will lead to identification of existing and foreseen problems and clarification of needs for additional data collection..
2. Conduct necessary supplemental surveys.
3. Formulate comprehensive land use plans in the 5 km buffer zone area around Protected Areas.
4. Formulate plans for implementation of formulated land use plans with identification of roles and responsibilities of all groups concerned. This is in order to maximize the villager's participation in the planning, implementation and management of activities at the village level, so that a sense of consciousness is created for environmental conservation in the village community. The establishment of a local institution or Environmental Protection Society (EPS) would be central to this plan.
5. Implement the plans in villages around the Khao Yai National Park in a phased manner.

**Timing and Priority:** Very urgent, very high

## **Cost and Financing:**

### **Comments:**

1. Natural forest resources in Thailand and particularly in the LNE-UE region have decreased significantly. Protection of remaining forest resources from any further encroachment is vital. Villagers living near the natural forests encroach upon the forests as a result of economic necessity. Inappropriate land use due to practice of wrong farming techniques on steep slopes adjacent to natural forest areas has also resulted in severe soil erosion and land degradation. In view of this, it is essential to carry out the proposed study which recognizes all dimensions of the problem of forest encroachment.
2. Understanding and defining the role of local communities in forest protection is vital for the success of this project. The proposed idea of creation of EPS at the village level is to instill ideas of forest protection and conservation at the grass roots level. NGOs would serve as intermediaries and advisors and would provide project guidance in cooperation with governmental agencies.
3. The success of a NGO group Population and Community Development Association (PDA) with headquarters in Bangkok in a 'Rural Development for Conservation Project' in about seven villages in Pak Chong district of Nakhon Ratchasima province adjoining Khao Yai national Park should be carefully noted and studied. EPS at the village level have been established under this project and have been very successful in instilling environmental conservation and natural forest protection principles to local communities.

- Project Title:** Land Information System (LIS) Development using GIS
- Location:** All provinces of LNE-UE region
- Executing Agency:** NESDB in coordination with the Land Development Department, and other agencies
- Objectives:** To formulate the structure and plan for a LIS using GIS for the LNE-UE study area and implement the LIS in one of the study area provinces.

**Project Description:**

- (1) Study existing institutions, policies, and data available related to land resources for the study area.
- (2) Formulate the structure and concept plan for the LIS to be designed and created using a GIS. The LIS would be designed to facilitate easy data retrieval and to serve the purpose of availability of spatial information for sound land use planning as per national and regional land policies. The LIS would be made up of various independent sub-systems like base maps, public utility database (tap water, electricity, sewerage etc.), land ownership database, property value database, soil property and natural resources database, land allocation database, forestry database, socio-economic database etc.
- (3) Select one of the provinces of the study area say Nakhon Ratchasima for a demonstration project to design and formulate the LIS in detail and implement it.
- (4) Include a training program for a selective number of officials for technology transfer related to GIS.

**Timing:** Urgent, 7th National Plan period

**Duration required for study and implementation:** 1 year.

**Cost and Project Financing:** undetermined

**Comments:**

1. Once a national land policy is defined, for land use planning an up-to-date accurate land information database system is essential. This LIS would contain the following types of data: size, boundaries, area, use, geographical condition, soil properties, water resources, names and addresses of land holders, value, and other necessary information. The LIS would facilitate the use of information to analyze problems, make decisions and specify land policies.
2. The Seventh National Plan guidelines call for development of natural resource databases for the various regions of the country using advanced technology

such as GIS. The value of GIS has been clearly demonstrated in the present JICA study. A comprehensive land resources database covering 17.3 % of the country has been developed using GIS. Sufficient reason and baseline information now exists for urgent implementation of the proposed project.

**Project Title:** Eastern Greenbelt Parks Development Plan

**Location:** Saraburi, Nakhon Nayok, Nakhon Ratchasima and Prachin Buri

**Executing Agency:** Land Development Department, Town and Country Planning and National Parks Division

**Objectives:** Formulation of a master plan to guide development in the east-west belt extending from Saraburi to the Cambodian border which includes the Dongrek Range and constitutes a valuable natural reserve.

**Project Description:**

- (1) To cover the National Parks of Khao Yai, Tha Plan, Pang Sida and the proposed one along the Cambodian border (Tha Phraya District of Prachin Buri).
- (2) To develop preservation and development guidelines reflecting the optimal framework to meet objectives of environmental preservation, wildlife management, recreational usage by the Thai population, sustainable economic activities such as hunting or agriculture, protection of antiquities, national security in border regions, and other objectives.
- (3) To review and develop new legislation needed to improve management of park resources and enforcement of usage.
- (4) To evaluate the need for redesignation (as national forest, reserve, sanctuary status) of any areas now designated as national parklands.
- (5) The role of the private sector in park improvement and management will be defined.

**Timing:** Urgent, 7th National Plan period

**Duration required for study and implementation:** 5 years.

**Cost and Project Financing:** undetermined

**Comments:**

1. Because of the coming opening of Cambodia which will bring increased traffic and development to this region, and because of proposed highway and dam projects, completion of this study is urgent.
2. Inclusion of all these four parks is biologically and functionally logical since together these four areas constitute a coherent natural region focused on a continuous mountain range.

3. There are plans for major infrastructure construction (roads and possibly a dam) in the region and these must be coordinated with this plan.





## APPENDIX B

### Projects Completed, On-going or Proposed in Study Area and Thailand Related to Natural Resources and Environment

1. The Esarn Khieo Project since 1988, under the National Rural Development Coordination Center.

**Comments:** The five year allocation of resources approved for the "Esarn Khieo Implementation Plan (1988-92)" indicates that 89% of all incremental public funds are allocated to new irrigation development and water supply (58% and 31%, respectively). Emphasis was on water resources development as the program itself was realized in response to critical drought conditions in the Northeast. The FY89 national budget includes 7% of total planned incremental funding for the five-year Esarn Khieo program (B1-3 billion out of a total B19.3 billion). The B1-3 billion of incremental FY89 funds are primarily for irrigation (61%), household water supply (9%) and reforestation (13%).

2. RTG/World Bank, Study on Conservation Forest Area Demarcation, Protection and Occupancy (Proposed).
3. UNDP/World Bank, Pre-investment Study on Forestry and Woodfuel in the Northeast (Completed 1989).
4. Asian Development Bank, Study on Commercial Tree Farm Development (Completed November 1989).
5. Project on Protection of Conservation Forest (National Parks and Wildlife Preserves) and Critically Derided Head Watersheds through the Royal Forestry Department.

**Comment:** A Japanese Technical Assistance Grant has been approved and work is on-going in the Study covering all of Thailand.

6. World Bank/RTG, A Master Plan for Land Reform, (Supported by the World Bank's Agricultural Land Reform Project); On-going.

**Comments:** Project aims are to further support already alienated forest areas by the provision of basic infrastructure through the Agricultural Land Reform Office combined with farmer-financing support through the World Bank for Agriculture and Agricultural Cooperatives, and the concurrent provision of productive and income enhancing activities.

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**Comments:** 1. CAP aims to re-afforest project villages located in Thailand's Northeast region. Budget allocated is B8 million obtained from German Agro Action (GAA) and B3.48 million generated locally. By

promoting the indispensable role forests contribute to ecological balance and recognizing the ways goods and services of forestry products directly affect the lives of rural villagers, CAP will contribute to changing villager's attitudes and behaviors towards forests and forested lands. CAP will contribute to village re-forestation by creating and contributing to a village fund and by holding regular training sessions for villagers regarding trees essential contribution to ecological health. Access to inexpensive credit (village fund) will help to dissuade villagers from using forests and forest products to augment their incomes, in effect, releasing some of the pressures that exist on the village's tree stands.

2. This project must be carefully studied as it is being implemented by a NGO group at the village level. In 7 years of implementation and currently moving towards phase 3 completion, 86 villages conducted planting activity and 86 village Forestry Committees were formed. 39 villages cut down trees for economic benefits (Benefits Sharing). Benefits Sharing averaged B17,604 per village, and ranged from B2,660 to B54,000 per village.

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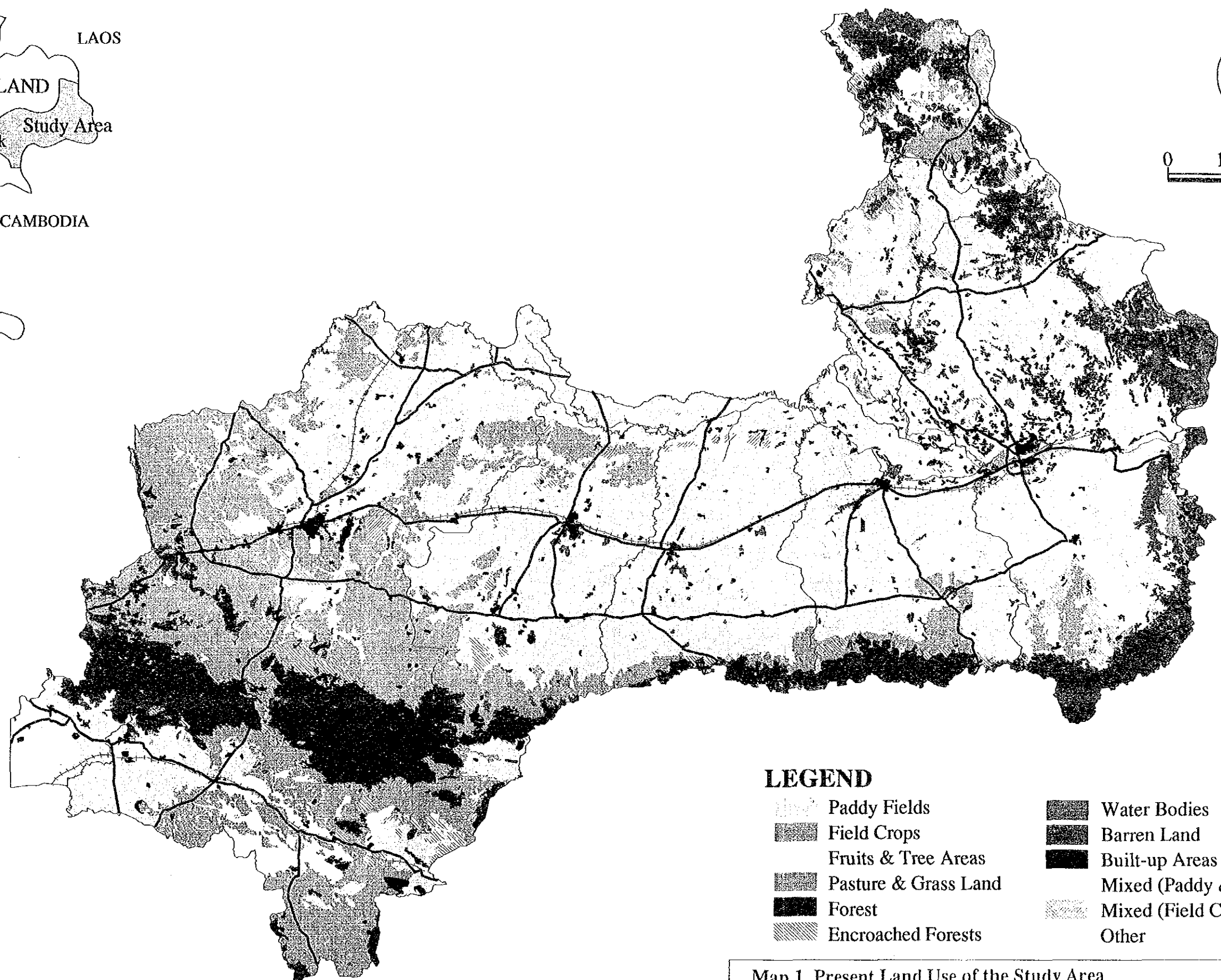
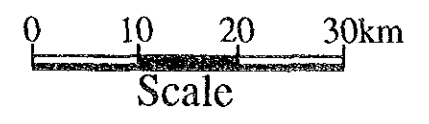
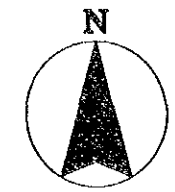
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**APPENDIX D**

**MAPS**



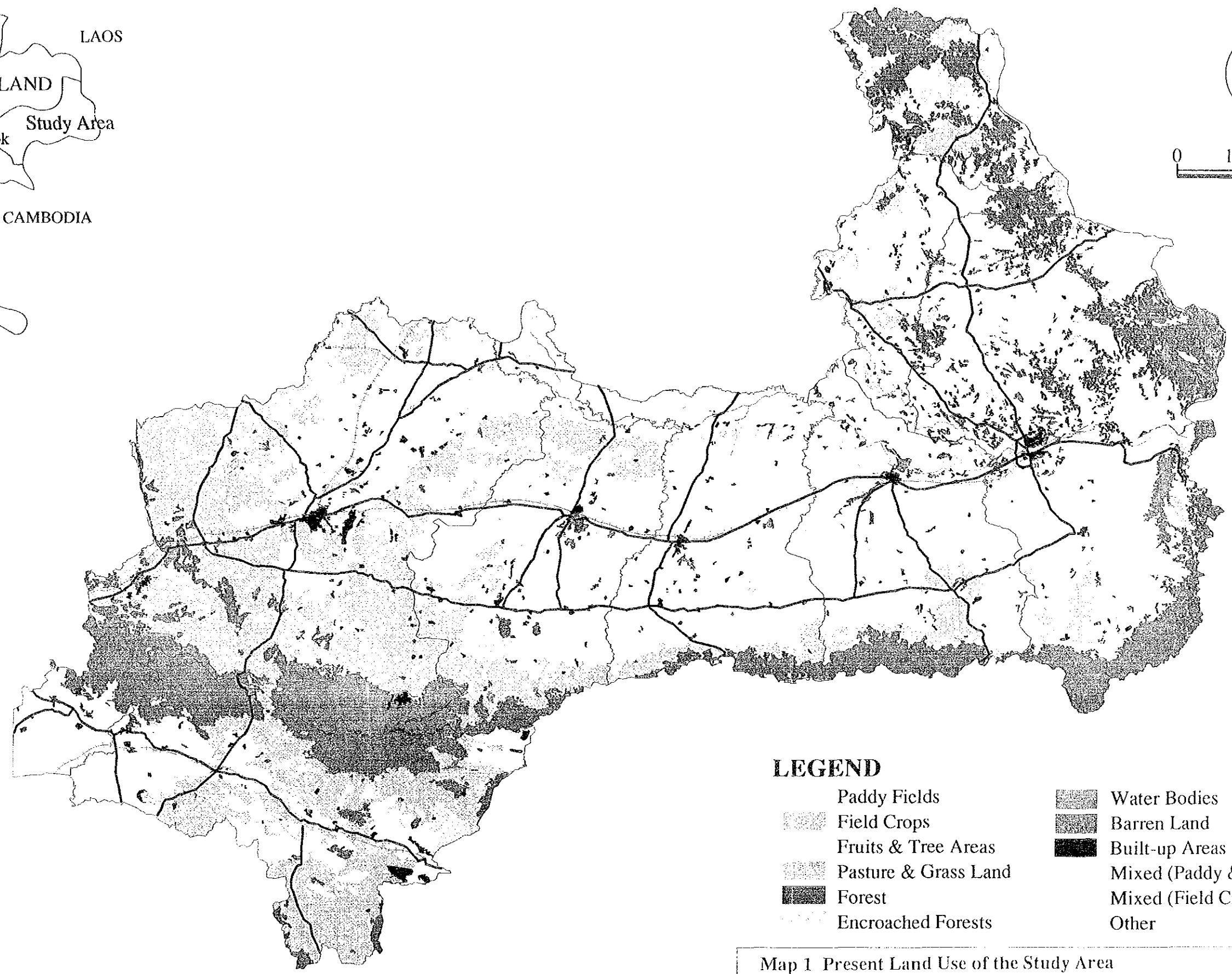
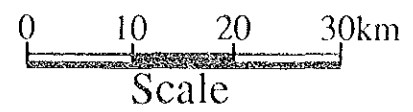
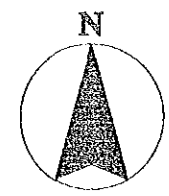
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|  | Fruits & Tree Areas  |  | Built-up Areas               |
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|  | Forest               |  | Mixed (Field Crops & Forest) |
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









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




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



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## Problem Soils

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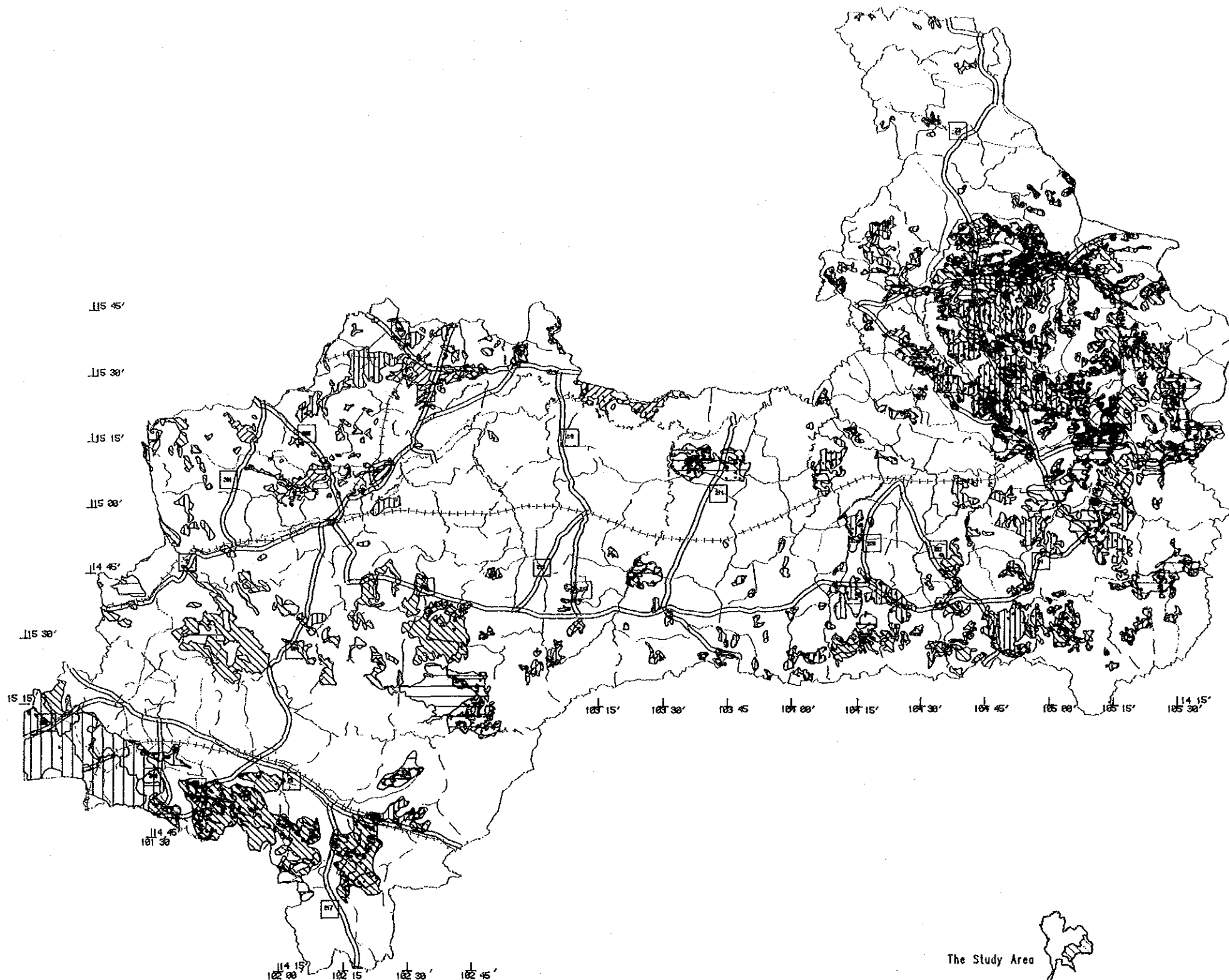
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-  Skeletal Soils.
-  Acid Sulphate.
-  Associated Soils.

-  Amphoe Boundaries
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**Map 2**  
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




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## Erosion Hazard Soils

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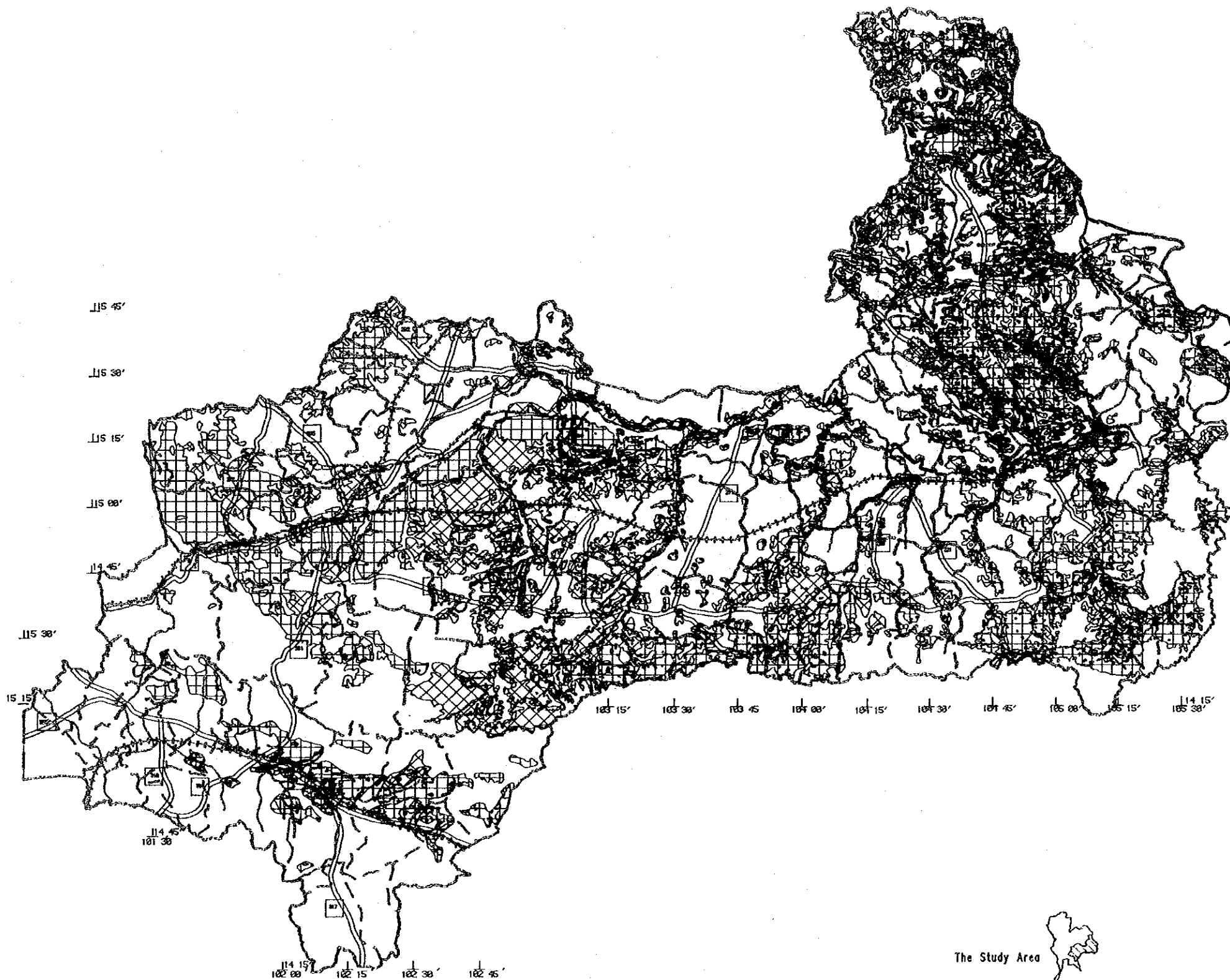
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**Map 3**  
**Erosion Hazard Soils in the Study Area**



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