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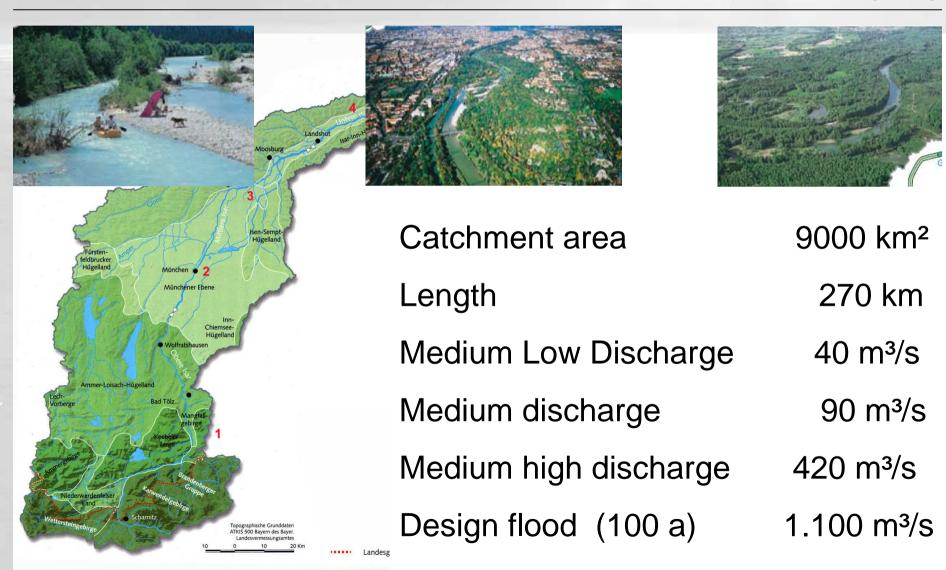
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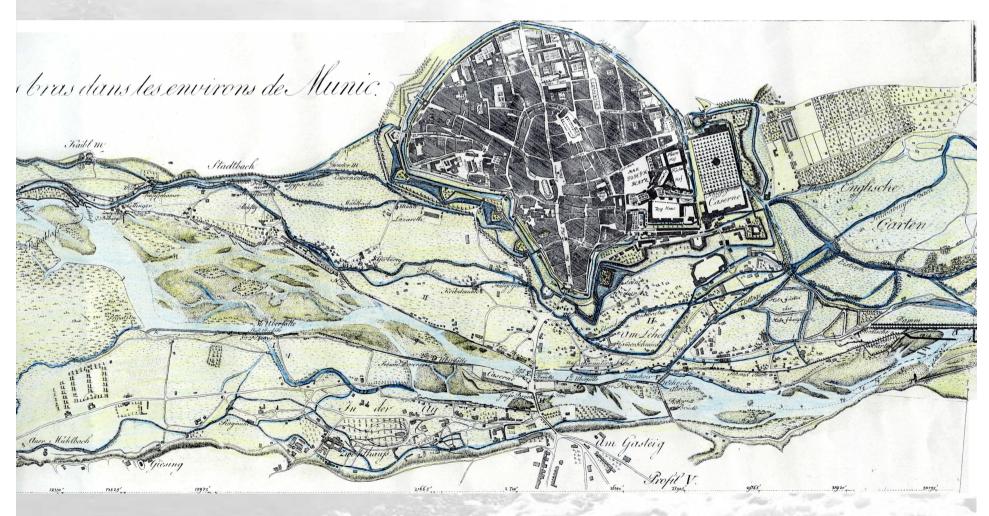
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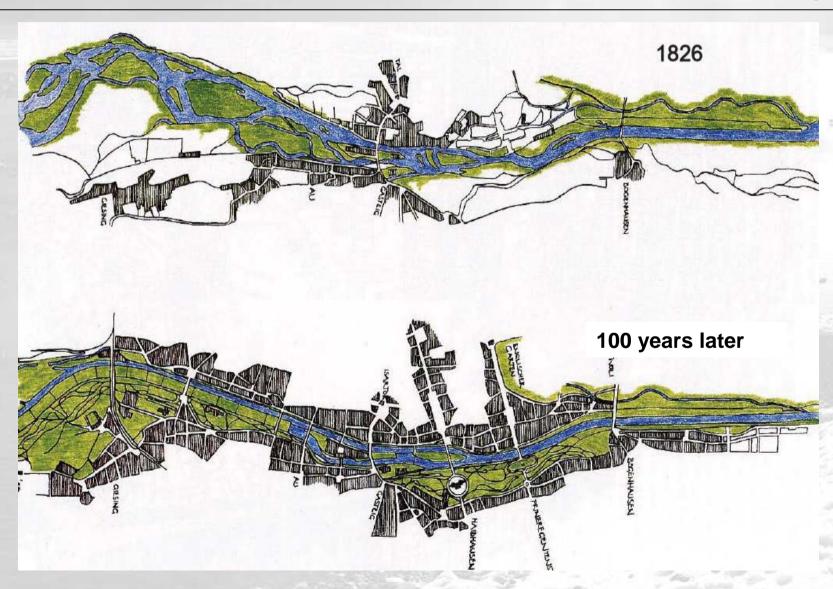
Isar in Munich 1750





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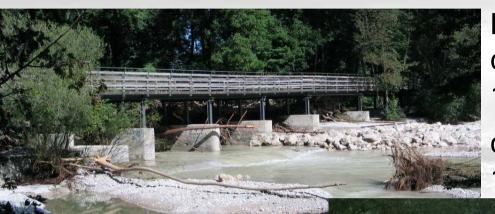
Former Isar River until 2011: a canalized water course

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Historic Floods: collapse of Ludwigsbridge 13.09.1813

collapse of Prinzregentenbridge 1899





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Major Deficits of "civilized" Rivers

Straightened and Dammed

Loss of ecological functions, habitats + groundwater interaction

Reduced morphological processes

Interruption of physical continuity

Minor water quality

Cut off floodplains with flood risks

No Access to waterline

Disturbed interaction between river bed and surrounding landscape

"Over-Use"

Former Isar River: a canalized water course

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But: What it is.....

Area of waterway Flood plains

Habitats

Gras as protection

Dykes for flood protection

Maintenance sidewalks

Electric power plants

important recreational area

Reference: Flaucher

What it is used

going by boat swimming

walking

horse riding

barbecuing

cross-country skiing

toboggan

partying

cycling

walking the dog

sun bathing



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Targets of Isar-Plans:

- Improving flood protection
- 2. Nature related shaping of the river Isar
- 3. Improving possibilities for recreation









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Flood Control

- Water Retention Capacity

Restoration

- Ecological Upgrading of the river Isar
- Morphological processes
- Longitudinal and lateral continuity
- Natural habitats, biodiversity, water quality

Recreation

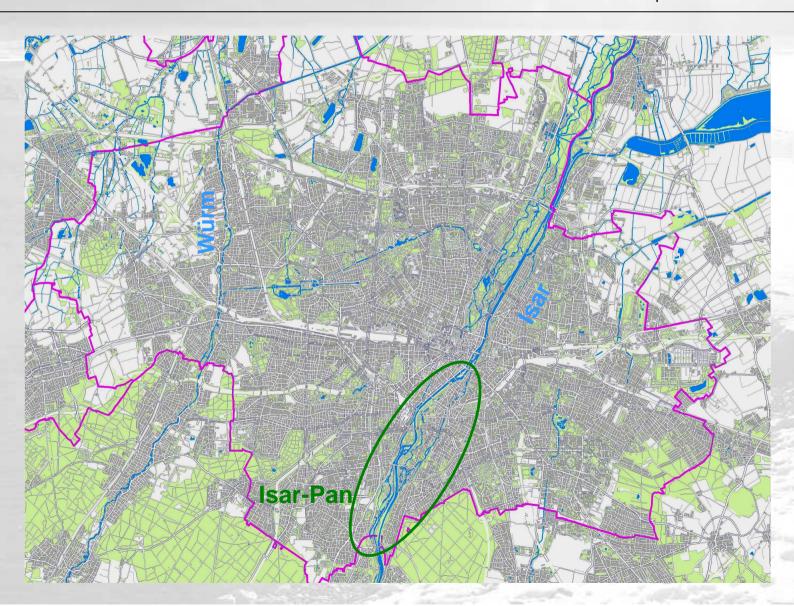
- Access to waterline
- Attractive landscape and views



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What happened?

 Widening the riverbed from 50 m up to 90 m





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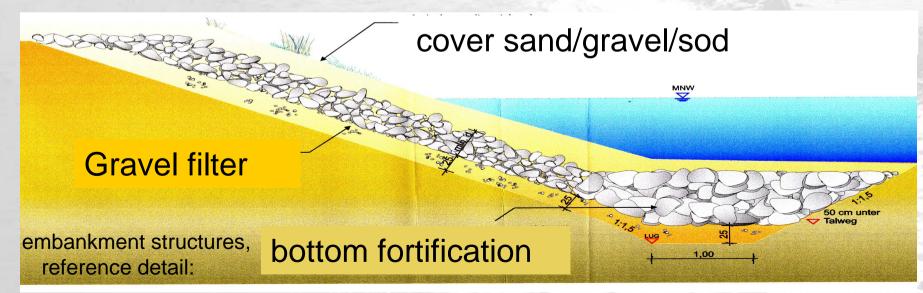
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- Widening the riverbed from 50 m up to 90 m
- rebuilding banks (flattening, fixing and covering with gravel)





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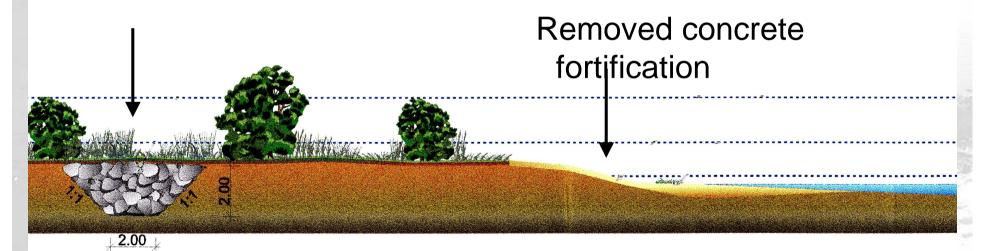
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Restored embankment

Space for morphological processes

Backward "hidden" protection





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- removing river barriers / sills

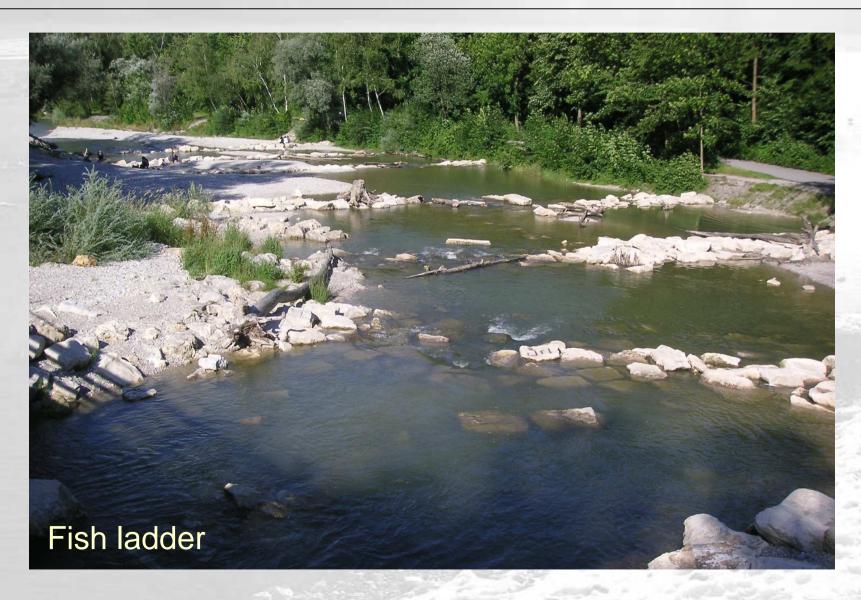






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- removing river barriers / sills
- Enhancing dykes

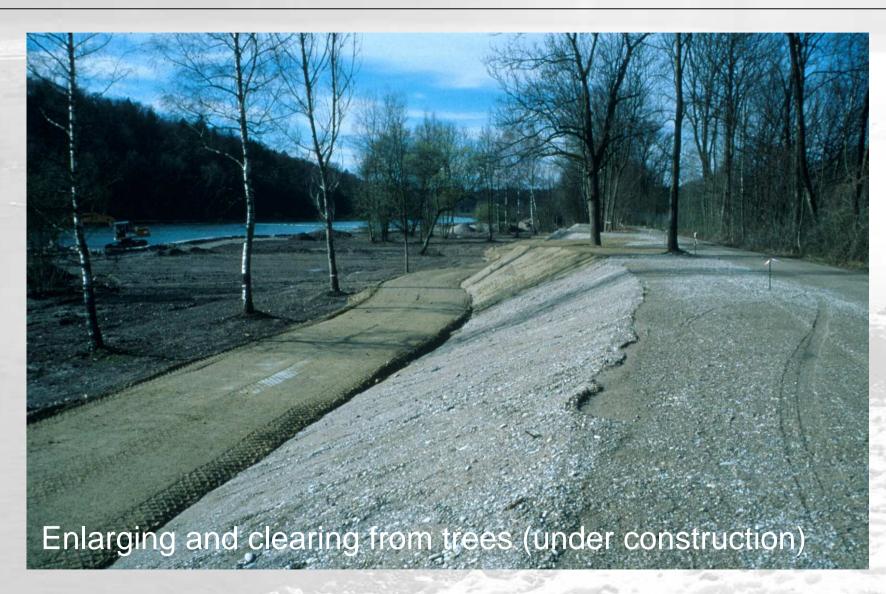






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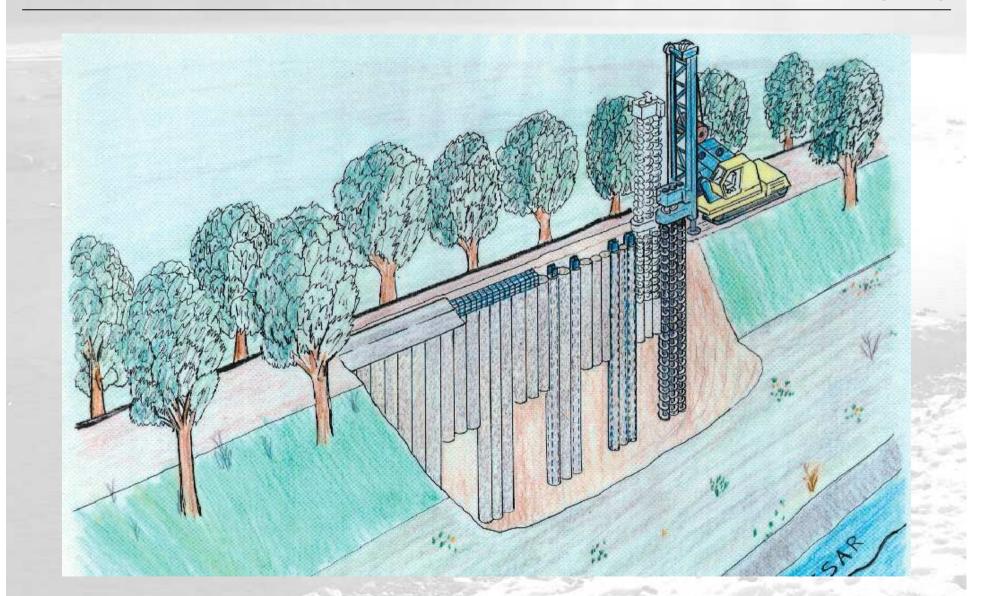
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View from the Tower of the "Deutsches Museum"

Model of the Present Situation in Obernach



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Spring 2006

Summer 2013

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Fish ladder: bypass for fishes, playground for kids



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Competing Interests:

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Costs Urban Planning

Flood Protection Recreational Usage

Hydrological Suitability General Usage

Natural design Possibilities for Sport

Maintenance Safety

Biological Quality Special Interests



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Competition / Workshops / Round Tables:

- all imaginable participants as soon as possible involved
- all forms of participation, e.g. Mediation
- Many different Participants:

 Politicians
 NGO's
 citizens
 neighbors
 sportspersons of different interests
 and so on
- Joint Venture

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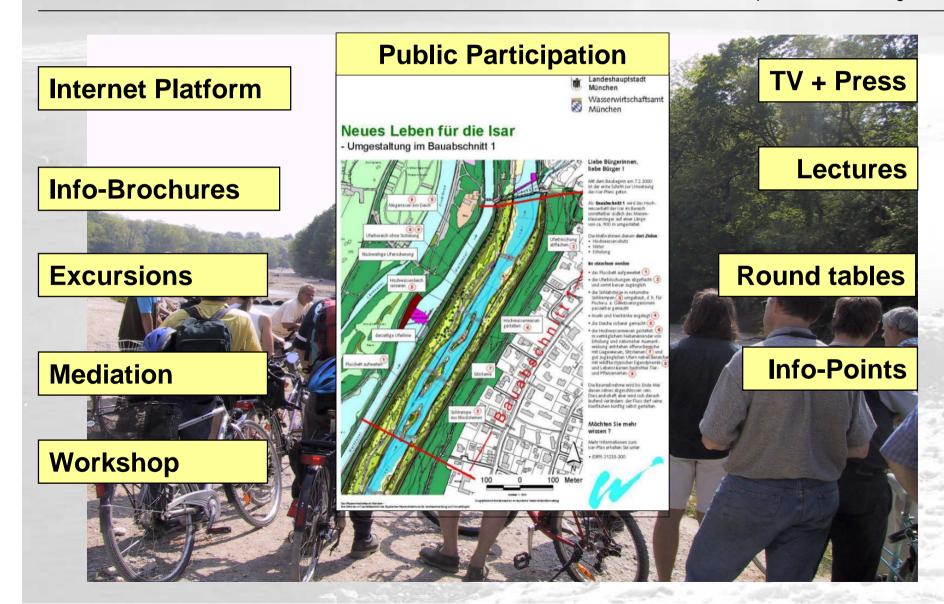
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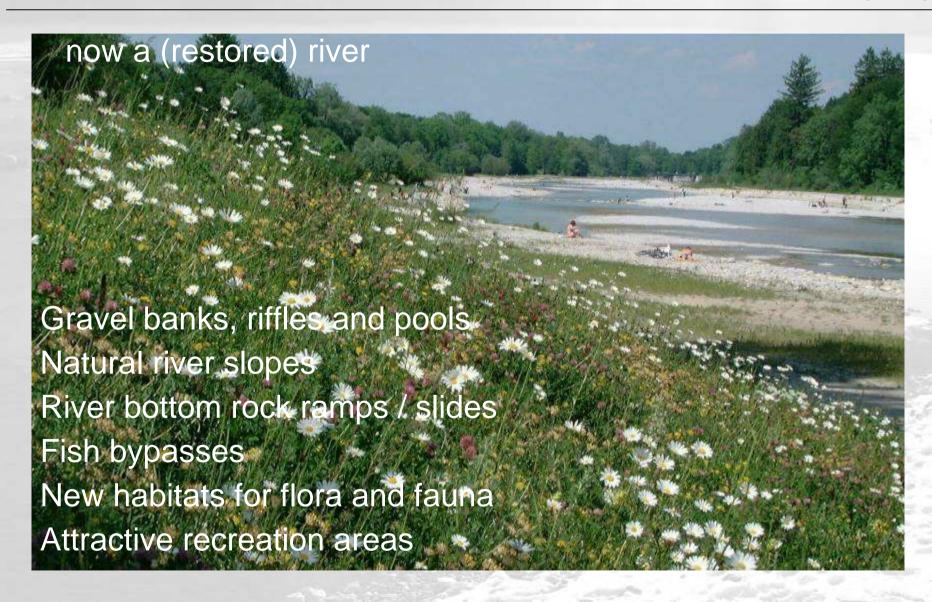
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FAQs

- Total length ca. 8 km
- Begin of construction: 2000
- Finished in June 2011
- A Joint Venture of the State of Bavaria and the City of Munich
- Total cost: 35 Mio. €



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Keep an Eye on Maintenance!

- Who cares for your Project in future?
- Who pays for your Project in future?
- How should your Project look like in future?

Resources needed!

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- Raising and reinforcement of river dikes
- Removal of concrete embankments
- Widening of the river cross section
- Increase of capacity in river runoff
- Natural river bottom rock ramps or slides with riffles and pools, instead of linear low weirs
- Initialization of dynamic river bed processes; development of natural river structures
- Longitudinal river continuity to allow river organisms,
 e.g. fish, to swim upstream
- Establishment of typical river habitats