



# ***Rainfall-Based Debris Flow Warning Model and Debris Flow Monitoring System***

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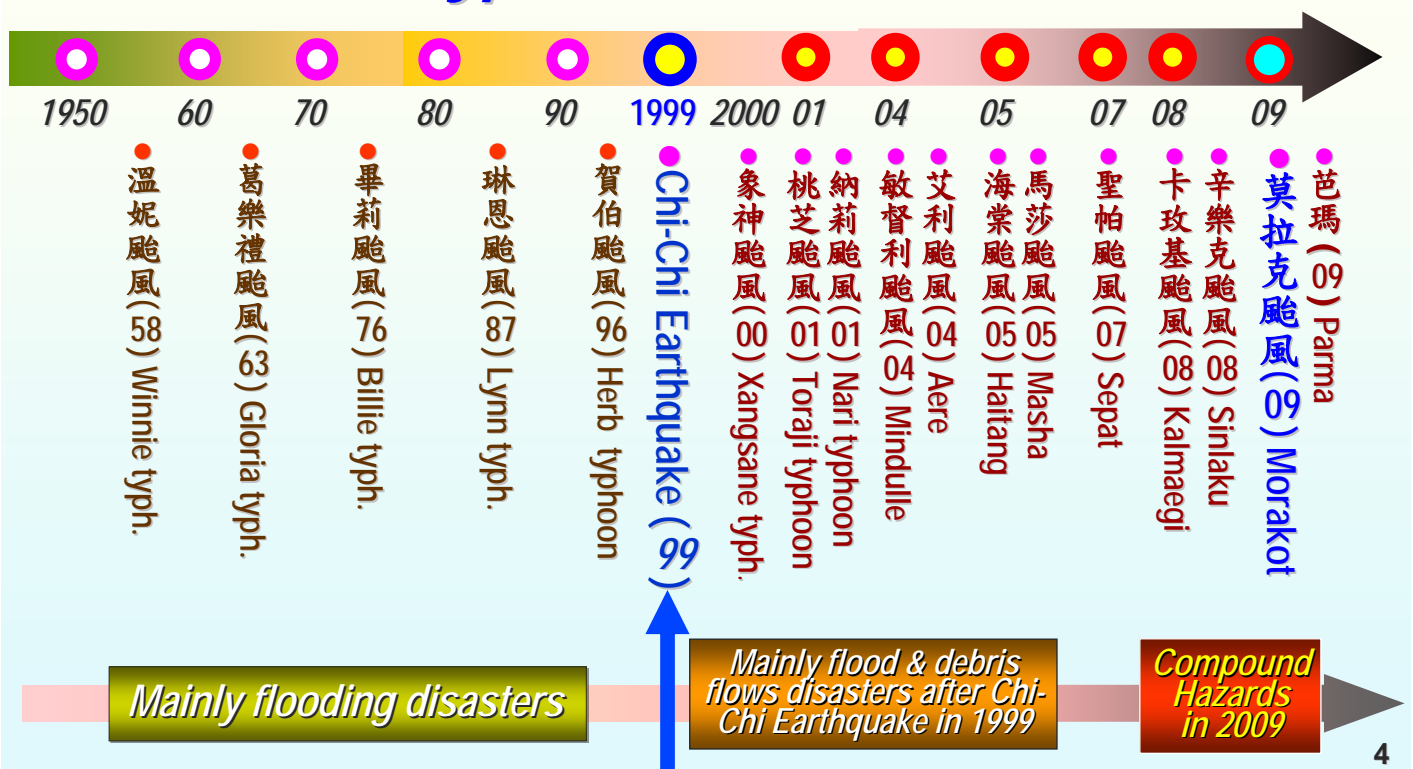
## ***Outline***

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- 2. Methodology of RTI Model***
- 3. Rainfall-Based Debris Flow Warning Model***
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# 1. Type of Debris-Flow Warning System

## Historic Typhoon Disasters in Taiwan



## (1). Post-event Type

Using geophone, wire sensor, or CCD image to take the signal of debris flow after occurring.

**Advantage :** Highly Accurate, less false alarms

**Disadvantage :** Shortage of Evacuation time, Higher cost, It could not be installed entire area, so always got leakage.

## (2). Pre-event Type

Using rainfall parameters to set the warning criteria.

**Advantage :** Lower Cost, Wide coverage, Extend evacuation time

**Disadvantage :** Lower Accurate, more false -alarms



## Rainfall Parameters

<b>Rainfall Parameters</b>	<b>Definition</b>
<b>I</b> (Rainfall intensity)	$I_{10}$ (Intensity of 10 minutes) , $I_{60}$ (Intensity of 60 minutes) , $I_d$ (Intensity of 1 day), $I_a$ ( Intensity of rainfall event )
<b>R</b> (Accumulated Rainfall )	$R_{4hr}$ (4 hrs accumulated rainfall) , R ( Event accumulated rainfall), $R_d$ (Daily accumulated rainfall), $R_{te}$ (Effective Accumulated rainfall)
<b>T</b> (Duration)	$T_e$ ( Effective rainfall duration), T ( Event duration )
<b>P</b> (Antecedent-Rainfall )	$P_7$ ( Previous 7 days rainfall ) $P_{14}$ ( Previous 14 days rainfall ) $P_{20}$ ( Previous 20 days rainfall )

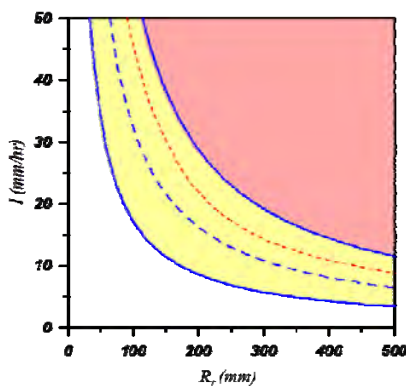
## Warning Models of rainfall parameter

Type	Taiwan	Abroad
I-R	Hsieh (1995, 2000) Jiang and Lin (1991) Fang and Yao (1997) Jan (2002-2006)	Katsumi (1978) Tang (1991) Meng(1991) Kawakami (1981)
I-T	Jan (2001), Chen (2000), Huang (2000), Yao (2001)	Caine (1980) , Keefer(1987) Cannon-Ellen (1985) Wieczorek (1987), Marchi(2000)
R-T	Fang (2001,2003)	青木佑久 (1980)
I-P		Wang (1972) , Wu(1990)
other		Katsumi(1973), Wilson(1997)

### ✓ I-R Model

with consideration of antecedent rainfall

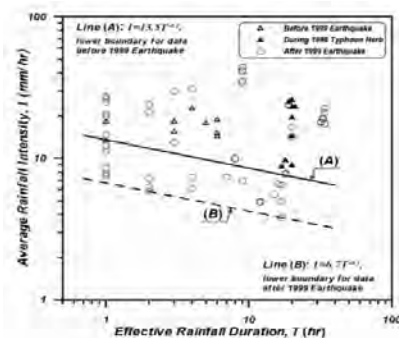
$$RTI = I \times R$$



### ✓ I-T Model

without consideration of antecedent rainfall

$$I = a \times T^{-b}$$



## 2. Methodology of RTI Model

### A. Development of RTI Model

#### ❖ Linear $I$ - $R$ model

$$R_t + aI = b$$

Effective accumulated rainfall

rainfall intensity

Where  $a$ ,  $b$  are coefficient needed to be determined

#### ❖ Hyperbolic $I$ - $R$ model

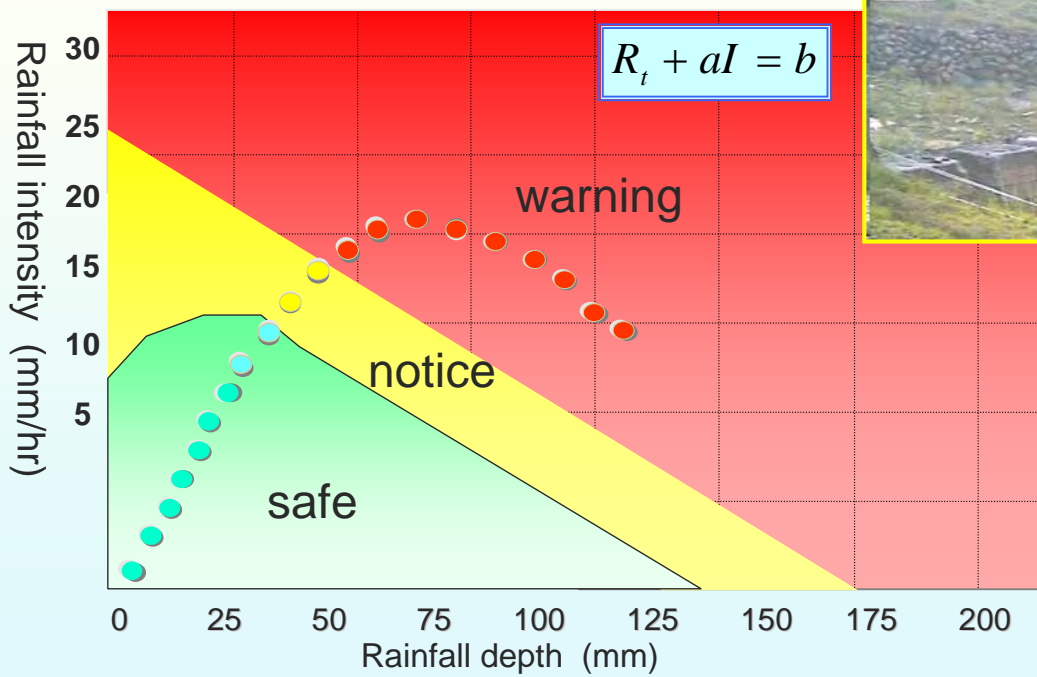
$$I \times R_t = RTI$$

Rainfall intensity (mm/hr)

Rainfall Triggering index (mm<sup>2</sup>/hr)

Effective accumulated rainfall (mm)

### ❖ Linear *I-R* model (2002~2004)



### ❖ Hyperbolic *I-R* model ( After 2004)

➤ **Rainfall Triggering Index (RTI)**  
 = Rainfall intensity × Effective accumulated rainfall

$$RTI = I \times R_t$$

$$R_t(t) = R(t) + \sum_{i=1}^7 \alpha^i R_i$$

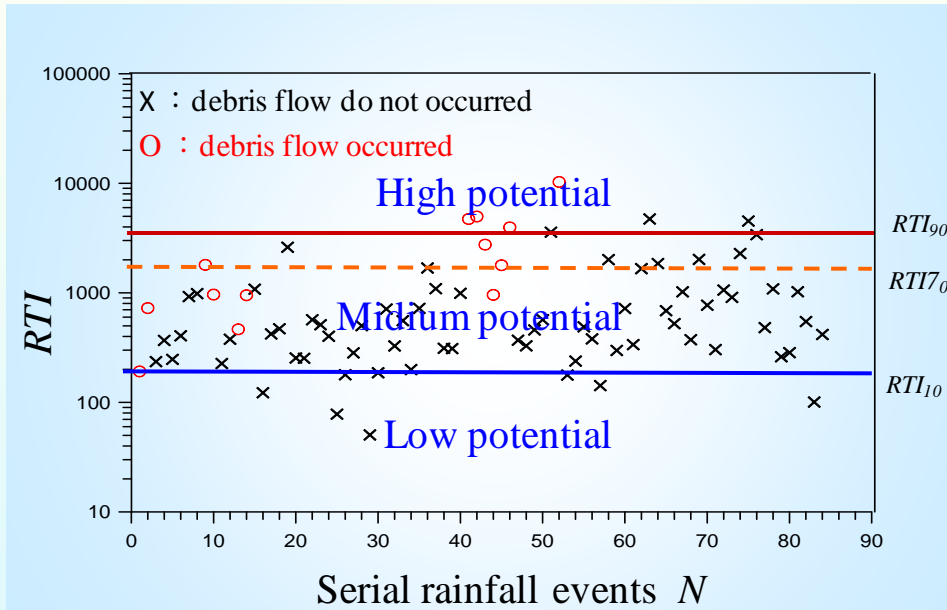
$R(t)$  is the amount of the accumulated rainfall at time  $t$  in the considered rainfall event  
 $R_i$  is the amount of the antecedent  $i$  day's rainfall  
 $\alpha$  is a weighting factor and is set to be 0.8

**Debris-flow rainfall events :** Hourly rainfall at the debris-flows occurrence time  
**No debris-flow rainfall events :** Peak of hourly rainfall in the rainfall events

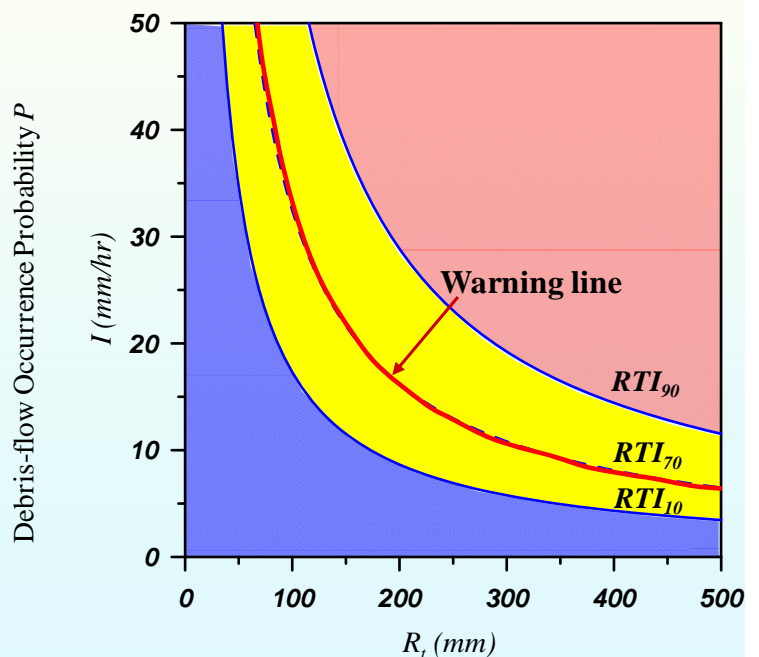
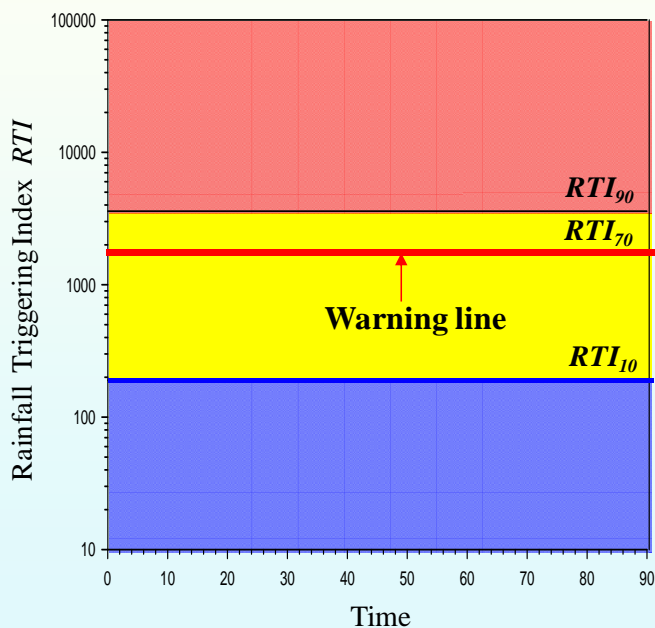
## Determine the critical RTI-values for Debris-Flow Occurrence

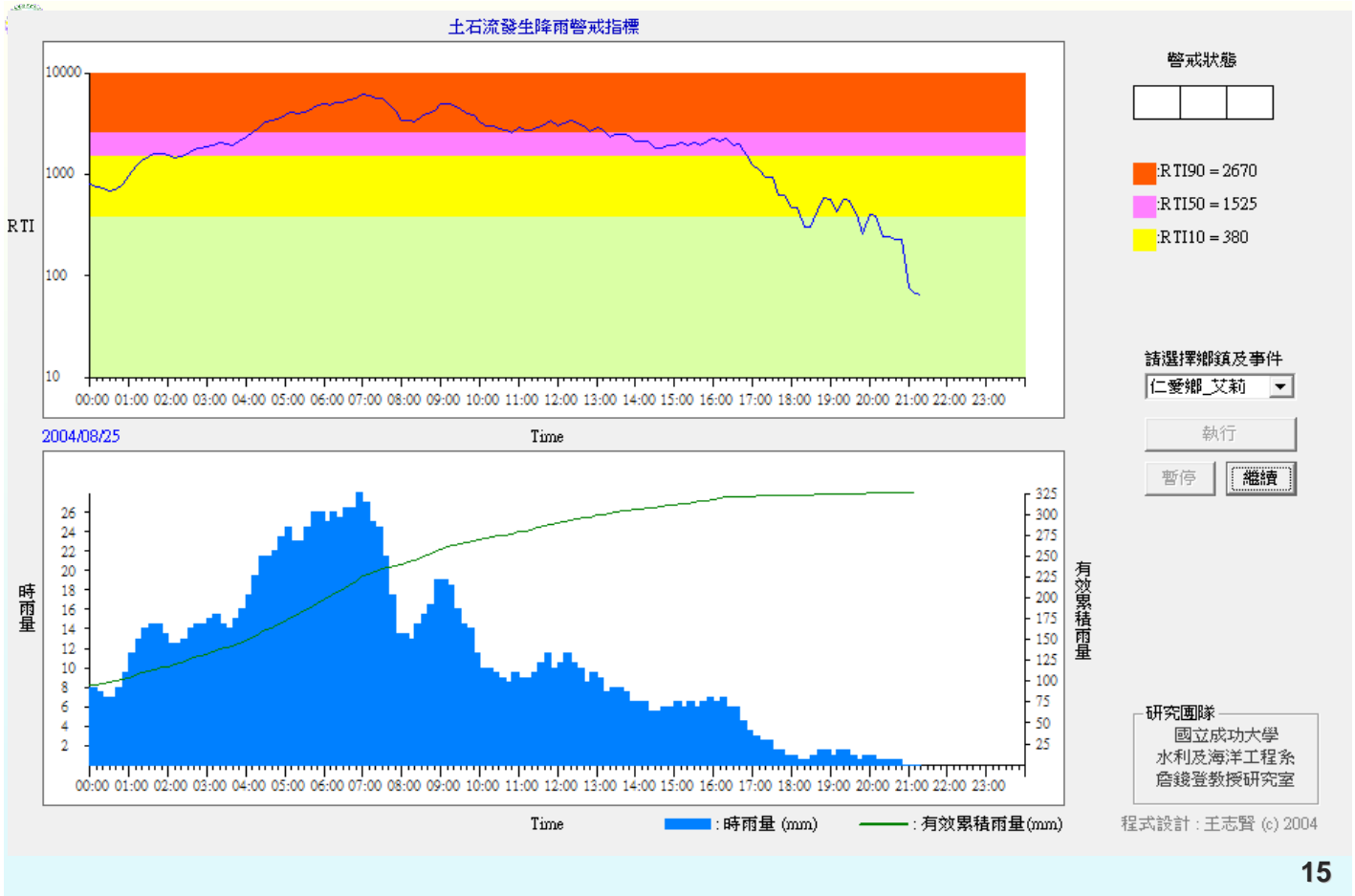
- ✓ A lower critical line ( $RTI_{10}$ ) is defined as the lowest  $RTI$ -values of rainfall events that had triggered debris flows
- ✓ An upper critical line ( $RTI_{90}$ ) is defined as that 90% of  $RTI$ -values for the historical rainfall events no matter with triggering and not triggering debris flows is smaller than it .
- ✓ Other debris-flow occurrence probability

$$P(RTI) = 0.1 + 0.8 \left( \frac{RTI - RTI_{10}}{RTI_{90} - RTI_{10}} \right)$$



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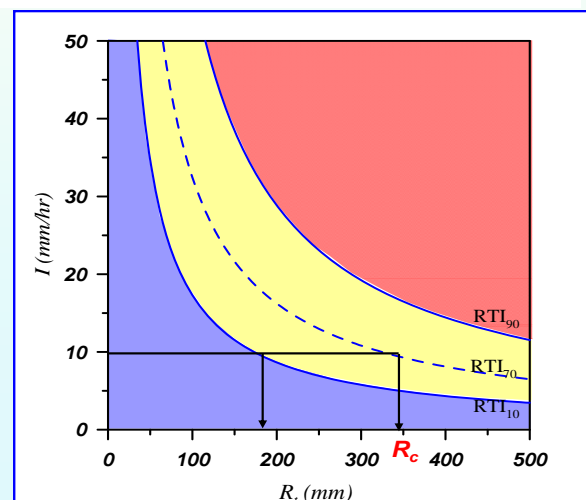


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## Simplified RTI model

- ✓ The critical RTI-value involves two parameters (I and R) is too academic and not easy to understand for people living in mountainous areas.
- ✓ The **critical accumulated rainfall ( $R_c$ )** is set for easier public understanding and application for evacuation.

$R_c$  is estimated from the critical RTI-value with a consideration of rainfall intensity of 10 mm/hr, and rounded with 50mm as an interval of the critical accumulated rainfall. That is to say for different counties,  $R_c$  could be 200, 250, 300, 350, 400, 450, 500, 550, or 600 mm.



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## Warning criteria value Table

Village and (N) is the numbers of debrisflow gully in village

Warning Criteria

101年土石流警戒基準值明細表

101.02修訂

縣市	鄉鎮	警戒區範圍		土石流警戒基準值 (mm)	參考雨量站	
		警戒區座落村里 (土石流潛勢溪流總數)	土石流潛勢溪流數(條)		代表站1	代表站2
蘇澳鎮	朝陽里(4)	4	500	南澳	東澳	
	南建里(1)、永春里(2)、長安里(1)、永樂里(7)、蘇北里(1)、聖湖里(4)	16		蘇澳	冬山	
	三星鄉	集慶村(1)、拱照村(3)、天山村(1)	5	600	三星	寒溪

Township

Rain gauge 1

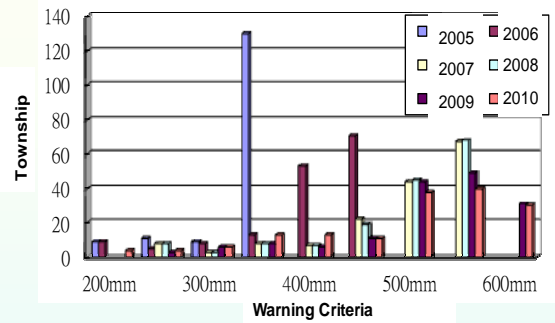
Rain gauge 2

Numbers of debris flow gully in Village

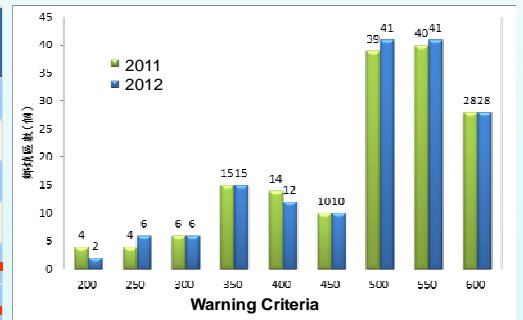
## 3. Rainfall-Based Debris Flow Warning Model

## ✓ Reasons for adjustment

1. Newly added debris flow or rainfall events
2. After severe rainfall that caused severe landslides
3. Earthquake magnitude larger than 5.0
4. Others (Land-use activity changed)

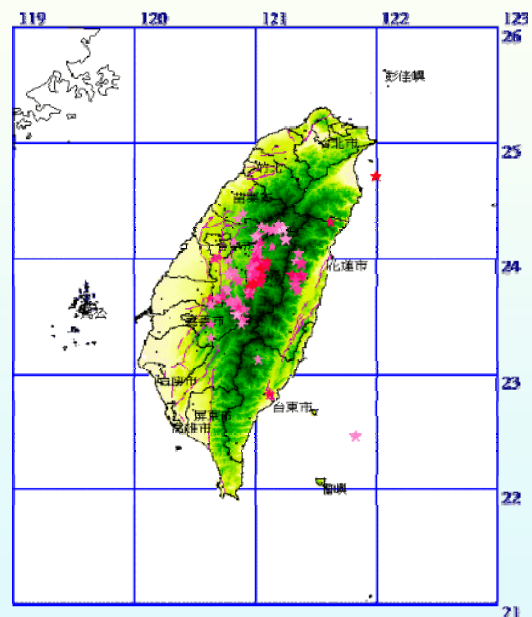


Rainfall (mm)	200	250	300	350	400	450	500	550	600
2005									
2006									
2007									
2008									
2009									
2010									



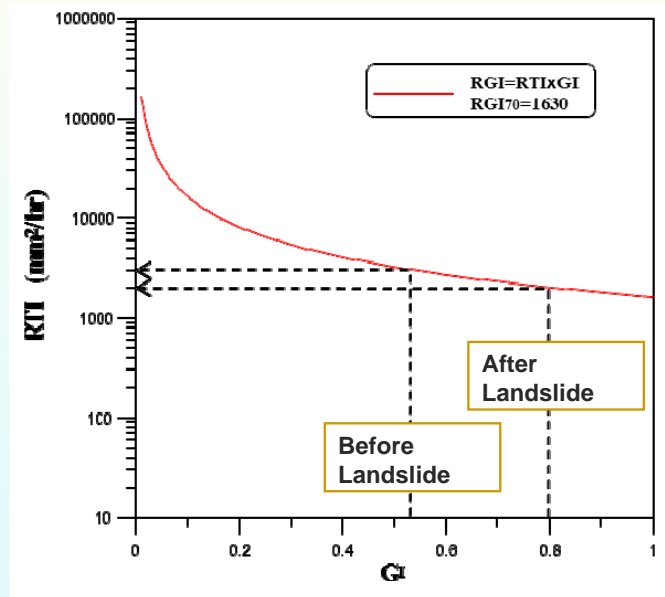
## ✓ Affected by the earthquake

1. When magnitude of earthquake was larger than 5.0 in the township, the criteria value would be decreased from  $RTI_{70}$  to  $RTI_{50}$ , i.e. from  $R_{70}$  to  $R_{50}$ .
2. Two years after earthquake, the criteria value would be reviewed. If the environment did not get worse, criteria value would be increased.



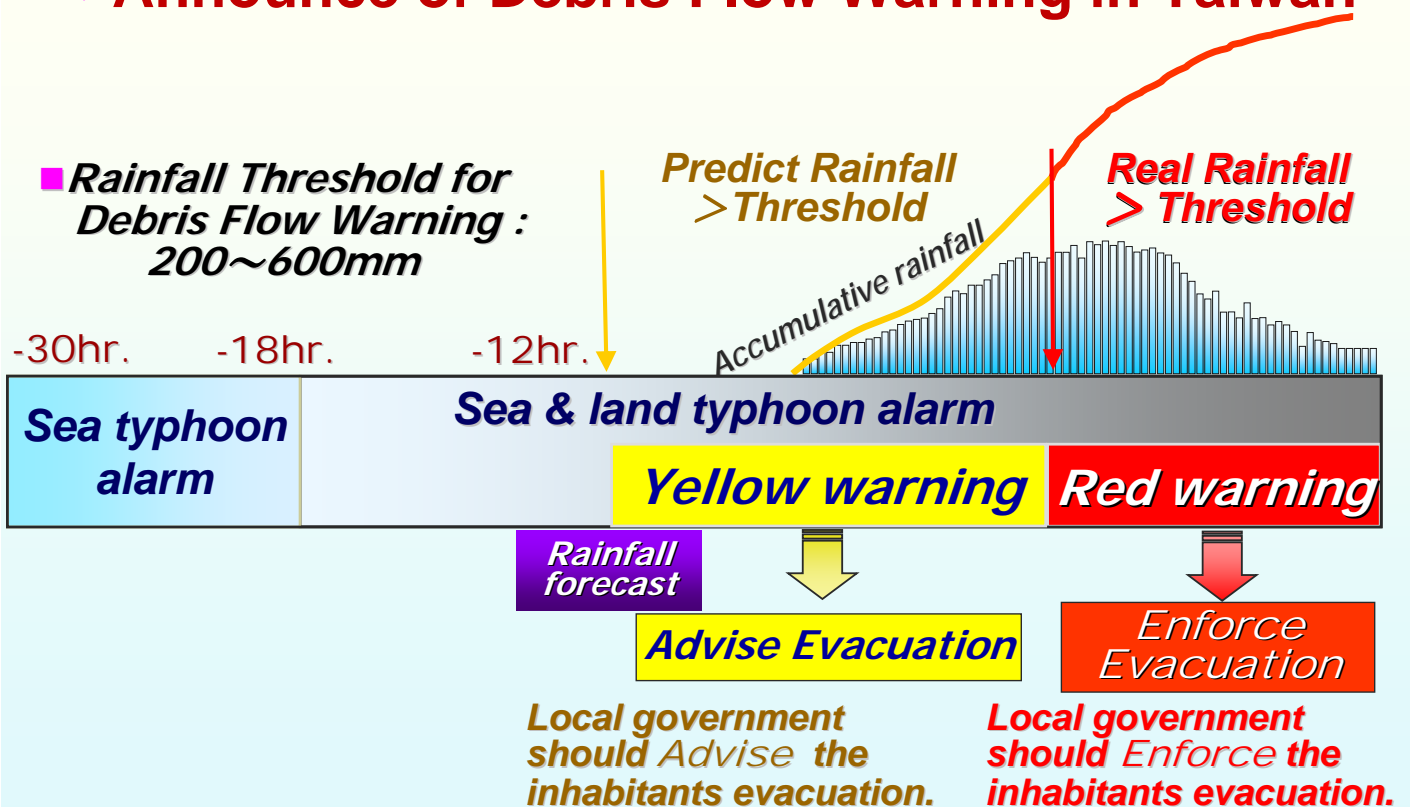
## ✓ Affected by severe landslides

If somewhere had a severe landslide, the geo-conditions would be changed. Using the relationship of RTI and GI, the criteria value after landslide would be determined.



## ✓ Announce of Debris Flow Warning in Taiwan

■ Rainfall Threshold for Debris Flow Warning : 200~600mm



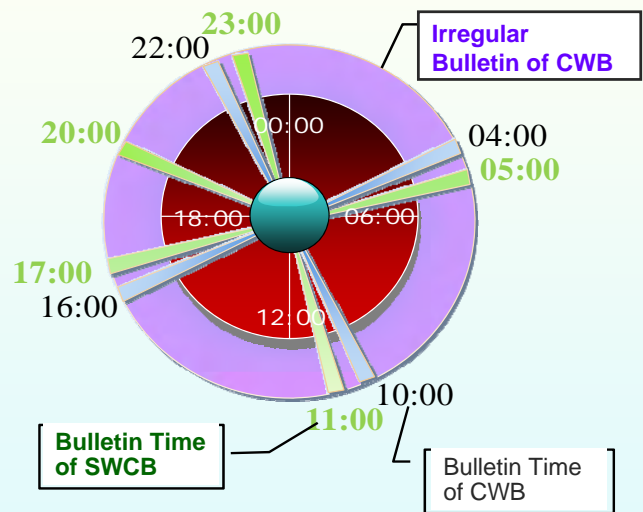
# Bulletin Time

➤ **Regular Time:**

After the forecasting of CWB, i.e. 5:00, 11:00, 17:00, 20:00, 23:00, 5 times a day.

➤ **Irregular Time:**

Depend on rainfall situation



## Some examples of landslide and debris-flow events caused by Typhoon Morakot

Site (village)	Hazard type	Occurrence time	Debris-flow warning time by SWCB
Xi-an 西安村	Debris flow	20: 00, August 8	23:00 , August 7 (21 hrs earlier)
Dong-an 東安村	Debris flow	20: 00, August 8	23:00 , August 7 (21 hrs earlier)
Xin-fa 新發村	Debris flow <i>Landslide</i>	21: 00, August 8	23:00 , August 7 (22 hrs earlier)
Chi-lai 集來村	Debris flow	05: 00, August 9	08:00 , August 8 (21 hrs earlier)
Xiao-lin 小林村	<i>Landslide</i>	06: 00, August 9	23:00 , August 7 (27 hrs earlier)

## Case of Debris flow warning

**Triggering** : Typhoon Morakot 2009

**Warning time** : 23:00 on Aug. 7, 2009

**Location** Xin-fa, Liugui Township, Kaohsiung County (DF052)

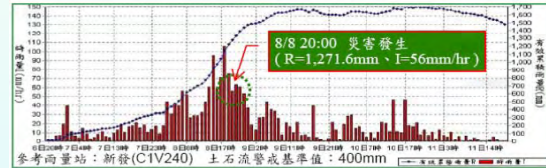
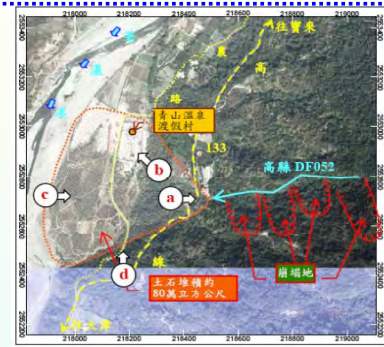
**Rainfall station** : Xin-fa station

**Critical rainfla value** : 400mm

**Time** : 20:00 on Aug. 8, 2009

### consequences

Ching-Shan Spring Resort was almost destroyed, 6 houses were seriously damaged. Due to successful evacuation, no one got hurt or died.



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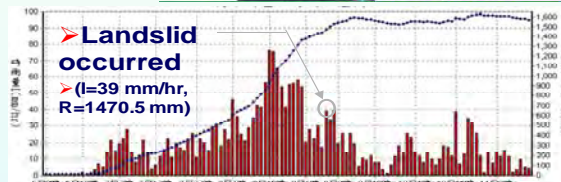
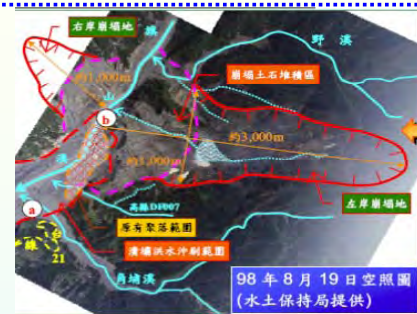
**Rainfall station** : Xin-fa station

**Critical rainfla value** : 450 mm

**Time** : 06:00 on Aug. 9, 2009

### consequences

Xiao-lin, Village was destroyed, 350 houses were submerged and 453 people died.



## ✓ Evaluation of warning quality

Index	Function	Estimated method
Warning accuracy rate (C <sub>1</sub> )	Assess the efficiencies of the warning system	$C_1 = A1/D$ <b>A1</b> : The number of debris flow events after warning <b>D</b> : Total number of debris flow events
Critical rainfall values accuracy rate (C <sub>2</sub> )	Assess the adequacy of the critical rainfall values	$C_2 = A2/D$ <b>A2</b> : The number of debris flow events while the accumulated rainfall exceed the critical rainfall values (A2) <b>D</b> : Total number of debris flow events

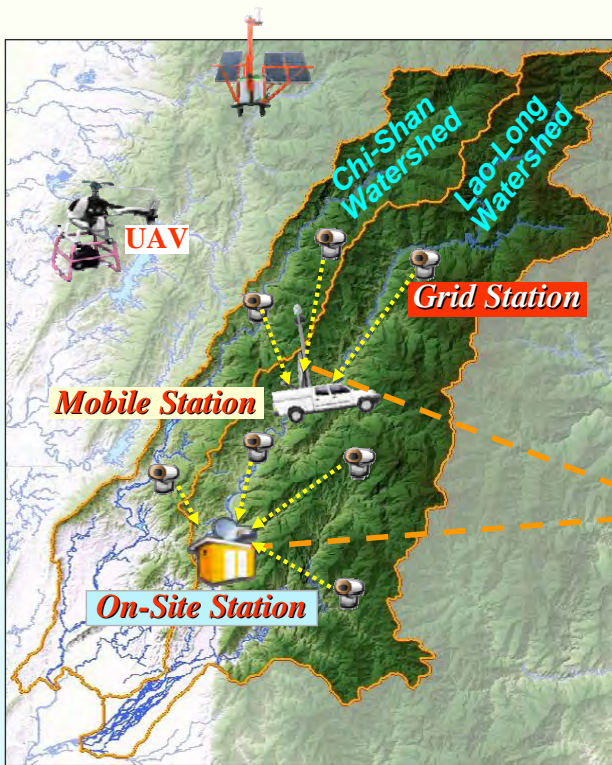
2005~2010

Index Rainfall Events	C <sub>1</sub>	C <sub>2</sub>
2005	12/18 = 67%	12/18 = 67%
2006	2/3 = 66%	3/3 = 100%
2007	2/6 = 33%	4/6 = 67%
2008	9/21 = 43%	14/21 = 67%
2009	25/29 = 86%	25/29 = 86%
2010	5/7 = 71%	5/7 = 71%

The average index value was 70%, which was close to Japan .

## 4. Debris Flow Monitoring

# Watershed-oriented Monitoring Network



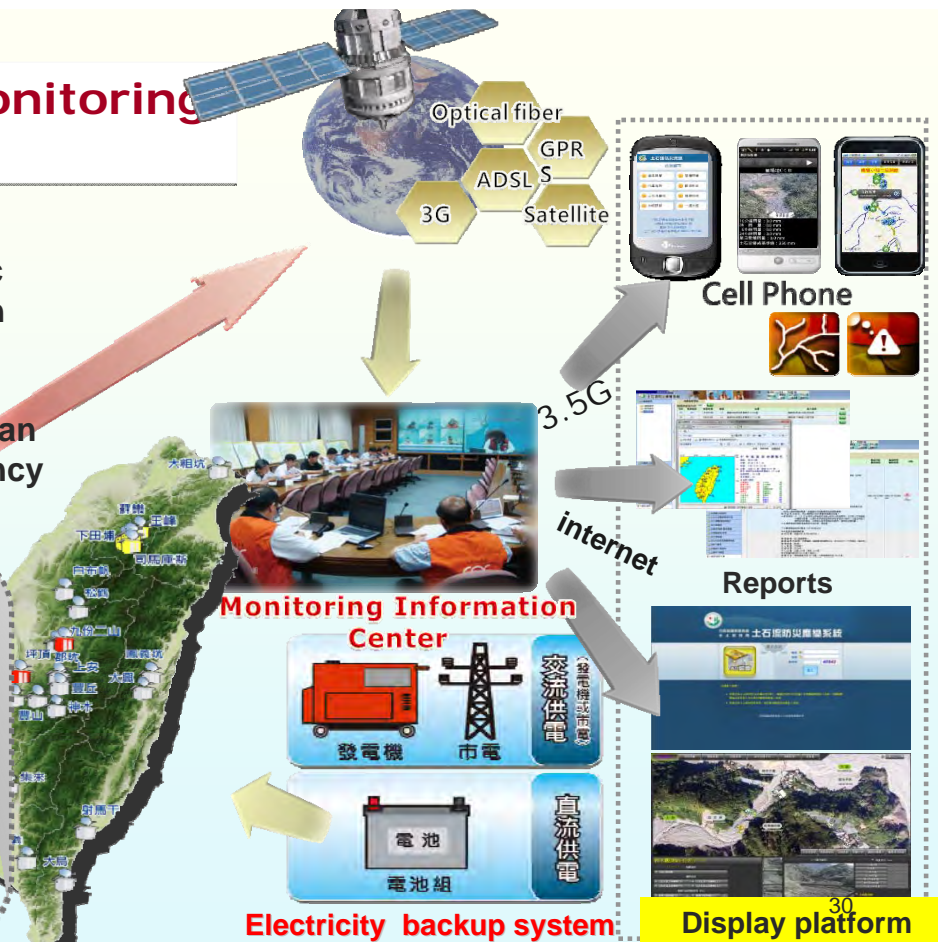
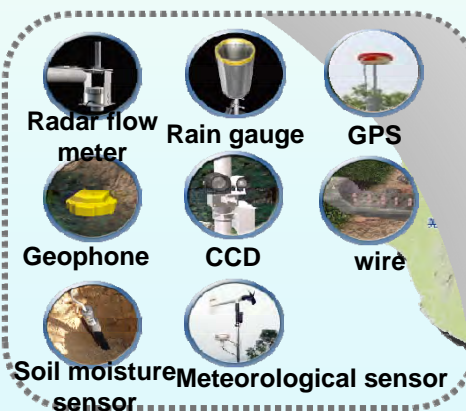
- **Point**→**Line**→**Plane**: extended to upper stream and the source of debris, considering a **whole** watershed.
- Combining **on-site**, **mobile**, and **grid** stations.
- **Integrating** data from different agencies.



Emergency Operation Center<sup>29</sup>

## Framework of monitoring stations

The monitoring station is equipped with the automatic monitoring system, and with the data transmission techniques of satellite and Internet, the real-time data can be sent back to the Emergency Operation Center of SWCB.



# Debris Flow Monitoring Station



CCD



Geophone



Water level meter



wire sensor

## Satellite communication

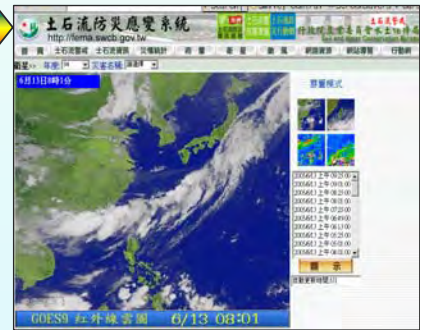
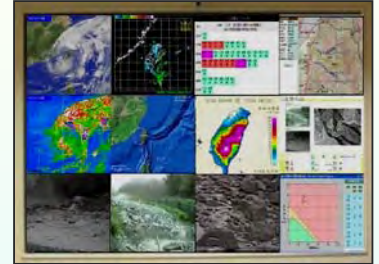


Data-receiving center at Jiufenershan



Mobile monitoring station

## Debris Flow Information System in SWCB

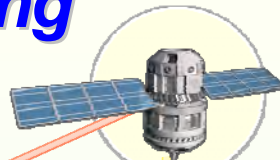


<http://246.swcb.gov.tw>

# Mobile Monitoring Integration



Monitoring Information Center



Satellite Transmission



Monitor in the Air

UAV



Satellite Search

Land Monitor



Movable Monitor

Extend Monitor



Module Monitor



WEB

Data Obtain



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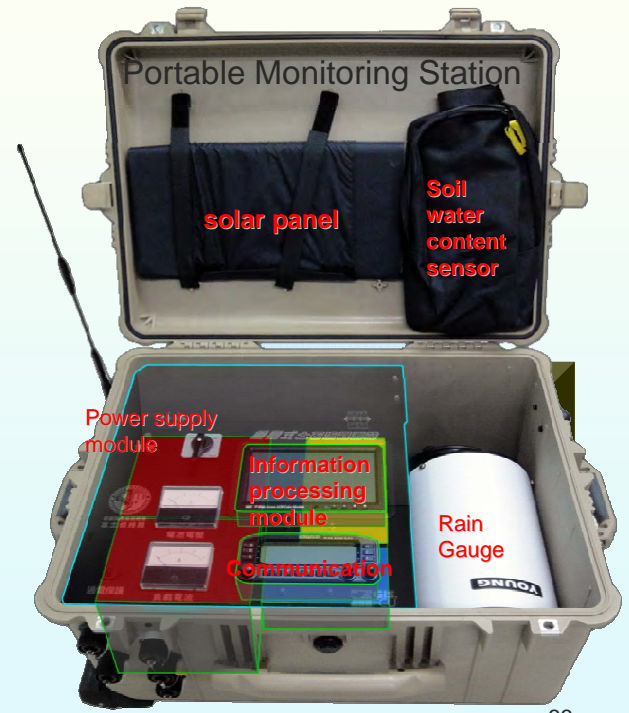
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政府單位

防災單位



## ➔ The main structure of Mobile and Portable Monitoring Station



## Assessment and on-site investigation

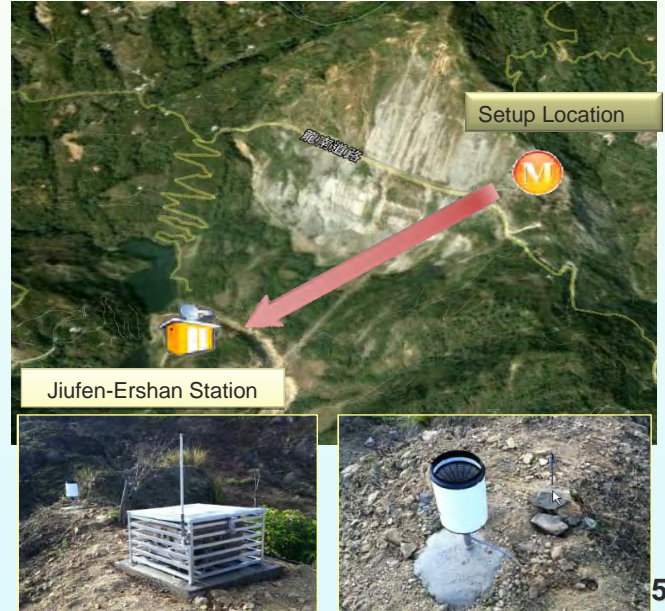


# Mobile and portable station function upgrade

A long-term type of portable unit

Zhu-Shan Heliport

Jiufen-Ershan bursting Point



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# Monitoring Results – Shenmu Station 2009

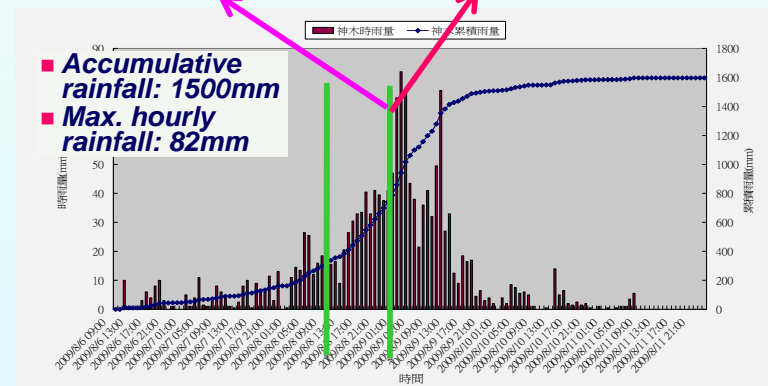
CCD image (front view) of Aiyuzi downstream

CCD image (sideview) of Aiyuzi upper stream

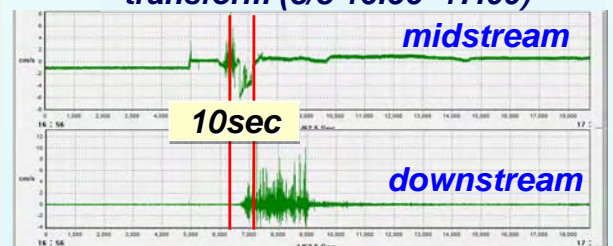
Velocity



$50m/3sec=17m/s$



Geophone signal after wavelet transform (8/8 16:56~17:00)



$173m / 10sec = 17m/s$

# ✓ Data collection and analysis

## Debris Flow At Aiyuzi Stream, Shenmu Sta.

Event	Wire broken	Max. Hourly Rainfall (mm)	Accumulated Rainfall (mm)	Upstream Accumulated Rainfall (mm)	Flow Rate (m/s)	Sediment (m <sup>3</sup> )
0713	07/13 14:33	10.5	11	21	4.3	4,984
0719 Heavy Rain	07/19 03:19	28	126	314.5	-	-
1110	11/10 13:29	17	66	100	1.77	5,891
					1.07	8,513

2011/0713



2011/1110 First Wave



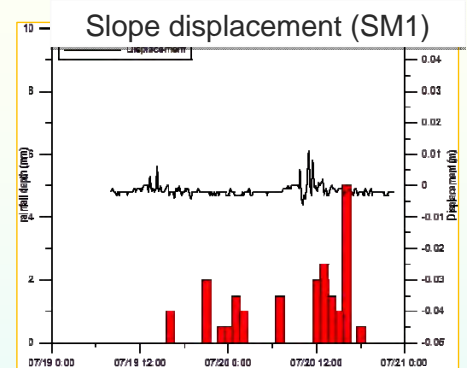
2011/1110 Second Wave



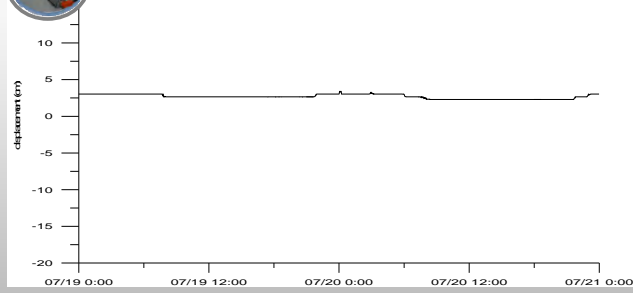
## Landslide Monitoring

### 0719 Heavy Rain

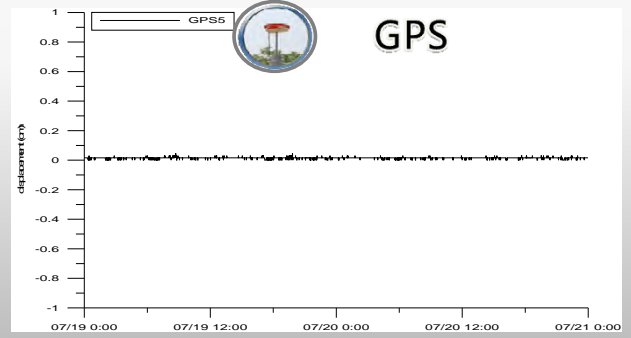
Sta.	Instrument	Function
Pingting	GPS, extensometer, tiltmeter	Normal
JiuFen-ErShan	Extensometer, water level meter, groundwater level meter	Normal



Extensometer

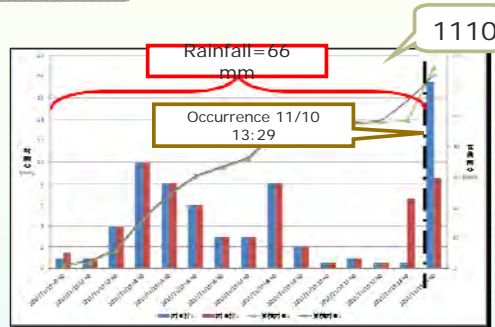


GPS



# Rainfall Warning Revision

Debris Flow Event	Accumulated Rainfall by occurrence (mm)
0719	78.5
1110	66



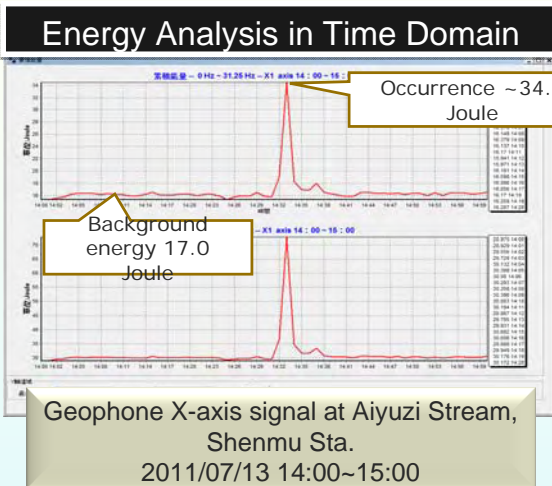
Based on the data of this year, the rainfall warning of Shenmu Sta. was suggested to lower from 250 mm to 200 mm.

- The construction of slope protection had been completed. The rainfall warning for landslide was suggested to modified to a higher value.
- The rainfall warning value can use the criteria of Highway Bureau.

### Rainfall Criteria of Highway Bureau

Warning	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly rainfall &gt;50mm or</li> <li>24hr accumulated rainfall &gt;200mm</li> </ul>
Action	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Hourly rainfall &gt;60mm</li> <li>24hr accumulated rainfall &gt;290mm</li> </ul>

# Geophone Warning Revision



Line damage

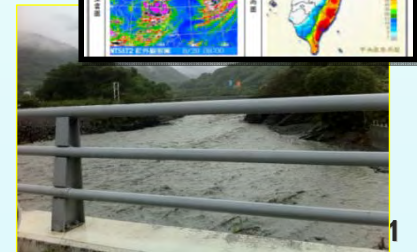
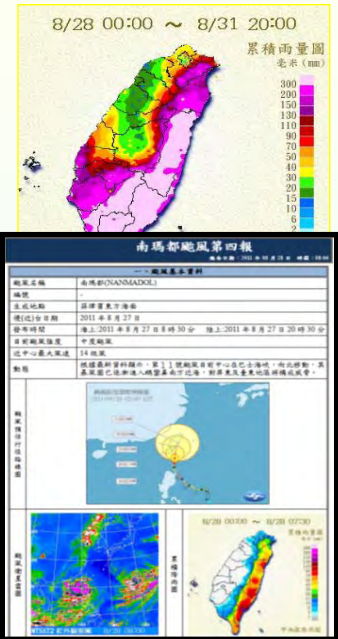
<b>0713 Accumulated Energy (Joule)</b>	X	Y	Z
Max.	34.5	39.7	76.7
Background	17.0	28.0	46.7
Max/Background	2.0	1.4	1.6
<b>0719 Accumulated Energy (Joule)</b>	X	Y	Z
Max.	18.4	29.1	49.0
Background	17.0	28.0	46.7
Max/Background	1.1	1.0	1.1
<b>1110 Accumulated Energy (Joule)</b>	X	Y	Z
Max.	242.5	242.4	226.3
Background	19.7	18.1	53.1
Max/Background	12.3	13.4	4.3

### Warning Value

Status	Occurred	Warning
Amplitude	> 3cm/s	> 1cm/s
Duration	13 sec	---
Frequency	10~100Hz	---
Accumulated energy greater than the background	<del>&gt;10</del> >5	<del>&gt;5</del> >3

## 2011 debris flow warning list

Name1	Starting time	Closure time	days	Red warning	Yellow warning	deployment
AERE	100/05/09 08:00	100/05/10 17:54	2	0	0	no
SONGDA	100/05/27 08:00	100/05/28 14:39	2	0	0	no
MEARI	100/06/24 08:00	100/06/25 14:48	2	0	0	no
0719 rainfall	100/07/19 08:30	100/07/20 22:15	2	45	146	no
MUIFA	100/08/04 17:30	100/08/06 11:53	3	0	0	no
<b>NANMADOL</b>	<b>100/08/27 09:00</b>	<b>100/08/31 20:25</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>421</b>	<b>yes</b>
1001 rainfall	100/10/02 08:00	100/10/04 14:51	3	33	227	no
1117 rainfall	2011/11/17 12:40	100/11/18 13:38	2	0	96	no



## NANMADOL typhoon monitoring – mobile station NO. 1

**2011/08/28~31  
Jinlun Village, Taimali Township, Taitung County**

The signal of geophone is normal

**Rainfall spatial analysis**

**Display platform**

**Mobile geophone**

9°北 120°56'08.54"東 海拔高度: 242公尺

# Maintenance of mobile and portable station

## Schedule and Tasks

### Regular

1. May to Nov. ( rainy season ) :Every half month
  2. Dec. to April ( non-rainy season ) :Every month
- ➔ Mobile station

## On-call

1. After typhoon warning announced
2. After typhoon warning cleared

### ➔ Portable station

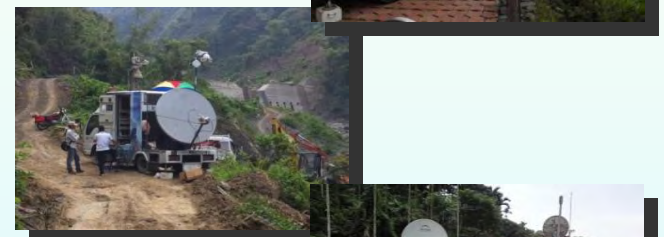


# Deployment of mobile and portable station



Mobile station display

Mobile station display	Portable station display
14 times	25 times



Portable station display





***Thank You for  
Your Attention***

***Soil and Water Conservation Bureau  
Always Working with You***