The effect of land uses to change on infiltration capacity and surface runoff at latung sub watershed, Padang City Indonesia

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Abstract. Changes in land use in the Air Dingin watershed (DAS) area in Padang City, Indonesia, lead to a decrease in rainwater infiltration volume to the ground. Some land use in the Latung sub-watershed decrease in infiltration capacity with an increase in surface runoff. This research aims to determine the effect of landuse changes on infiltration capacity and surface runoff. Purposive sampling method was used in this research. The infiltration capacity was measured directly in the field using a double-ring infiltrometer, and the data was processed using the Horton model. The obtained capacity was quantitatively classified using infiltration zoning. Meanwhile, the Hydrologic Engineering Center - Hydrology Modeling System with the Synthetic Unit Hydrograph- Soil Conservation Service - Curve Number method was used to analyze the runoff discharge. The results showed that from the 13 measurement points carried out, the infiltration capacity ranges from 0.082 - 0.70 cm/minute or an average of 0.398 cm/minute, while the rainwater volume is approximately 150,000 m3/hour/km2. Therefore, the soil infiltration capacity in the Latung sub-watershed is in zone VI-B or very low. This condition had an impact on changes in runoff discharge in this area, from 87.84 m3/second in 2010 to 112.8 m3/second in 2020 or a nail of 22.13%. Based on the results, it is concluded that changes in the land led to low soil infiltration capacity, thereby leading to an increase in surface runoff. Keyword: Land use, infiltration, runoff, Watershed.

1 Introduction

Padang City has a high population growth rate and development in various sectors within the Air Dingin watershed (DAS) area, which has the Latung subwatershed. Over the past decades, this area has continuously experienced changes in land use with the development of residential, tourist and cultivation areas [1, 3]. These changes occur in urban, cultivation, and protected areas, thereby decreasing rainwater infiltration into the ground [4]. Furthermore, these changes increase the volume of surface runoff [4, 5], erosion and sedimentation [2], inundation, and flooding in the middle and downstream parts of the watershed. This phenomenon occurs due to the inability of the river to accommodate high rainfall.

Air Dingin Watershed has several tributaries with Batang Air Dingin, which acts as the main river despite being dendritic and short in size [2]. The water source comes from the Bukit Barisan Mountains area, located between Solok Regency and east of Padang City, and empties into the Indian Ocean. The network of water and sediment supply channels to the main Batang Air Dingin river occupies a 1,200-hectare mountain range [3, 4]. One

of the tributaries of this river is the Latung River which later became a part of its watershed with an area of approximately 19.2 km².

The Latung Sub-watershed area consists of the Koto Tangah Sub-district. This area was designated as the Government Center of Padang City on April 18, 2011, as a transition from the West Padang sub-district based on Government Regulation No. 26 of 2011. The transition made the Latung Sub-watershed experience changes in land use from green open land into residencies, government offices, and other public facilities. These changes decreased the soil's physical properties, such as infiltration capacity, thereby increasing the surface runoff [5].

In 2016 there was a major flood in the Padang city and the Koto Tangah Sub-district, located in the Latung Sub-watershed area. This tragedy became evidence that changes in land use of the Latung sub-watershed lead to increased surface runoff discharge [6]. Besides, during the dry season, this area experiences a decreased groundwater absorption. Water deficit occurs in February and April - 3.26 mm/month and -43.01 mm/month, respectively. This means that water does not fill into the aquifer system in the Latung sub-watershed [1, 3, 7].

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Therefore, based on the problems above, it is necessary to examine the infiltration capacity of this area. Infiltration capacity is the vertical entry of water into an initially unsaturated soil under the influence of the soil matrix and gravity suction. The infiltration rate is usually high at the initial stage, however, with the entry of deeper water and a wet soil profile [8], the soil matrix suction decreases. The gravitational pull affects the water movement [12, 13], thereby causing the infiltration rate to decrease approaching equilibrium conditions [13, 14]. In line with this problem, Hutasoit (2009) divided the zoning of the infiltration area based on its capacity [9, 11], as shown in Table 1.

Table 1. Zoning Division of Infiltration Areas Based on Capacity

Zone		sification of ration Areas	Infiltration Rate (cm/minute)	The Volume of Water that can be Infused (m³/hour/km²)		
I	Sanga	t Tinggi	> 1.5	1,050,000.00		
II	Tinggi		1.25 - 1.50	825,013.00		
III	Agak	Tinggi	1.00 - 1.25	675,000.00		
IV	Sedan	g	0.75 - 1.00	525,000.00		
V	Renda	h	0.50 - 0.75	375,000.00		
v	Sanga	t Rendah	< 0.50	373,000.00		
	1	Zona A	0.40 - 0.50			
	2	Zona B	0.30 - 0.40			
VI	3	Zona C	0.20 - 0.30	150,000.00		
	4	Zona D	0.10 - 0.20	175		
	5	Zona E	< 0.10	1/25		

This research aims to examine the soil infiltration capacity based on the actual infiltration value. Furthermore, it also aims to determine the value of changes in the Latung Sub-watershed surface runoff from 2010 to 2020.

2 Methodology

2.1 Description of Research Area

The research was conducted in the Latung Sub-watershed, part of the Air Dingin Watershed of Padang City, Indonesia. This area is geographically located between 0° 49' 01.1" - 0° 50' 34" South Latitude and 100° 23' 38.3" - 100° 25' 58.8" East Longitude, at an altitude of 20 - 1,625 m asl.

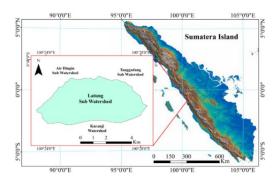


Fig.1. Map of research location

It is bordered by the Air Dingin, Batang Kuranji, and Tanggadang sub-watersheds in the north, south, and Northeast, respectively. The research area is \pm 19.20 km² with sloping to steep topography. Based on the Schmidt

Ferguson classification, the climate is classified as type A with an average rainfall of 3,411.8 mm/year. The is consists of an Inceptisol soil type, therefore the land is used for rice fields, mixed gardens, residencies, as well as secondary and primary forest. The location and condition of the research area are shown in Fig. 1.

2.2 Data Collection

The rainfall data were collected from the 3 stations closest to the Latung sub-watershed in the Batang Air Dingin watershed, namely Muaro Panjalinan, Kasang, and Bandung Koto Tuo. Meanwhile, the data on topographic, land use, and soil types were descriptively obtained from spatial and GIS and compared with survey results in the field. A double-ring infiltrometer was used to analyze the data randomly collected from 13 points in the field. This tool is made of steel with an inner circle of 30 cm, an outer circle of 60 cm, and a height of 30 cm.

2.3 Data Analysis

2.3.1 Spatial data analysis

Data on topography, land use, and soil types were used as the basis for determining the flow coefficient for the HEC-HMS modeling (HSS SCS CN method) [18]. The data were mainly used to determine the runoff coefficient (C) and the Curve Number (CN) value in the Latung subwatershed and analyzed with ArcGIS 10.6.

2.3.2 Infiltration data analysis

Factors affecting infiltration include the influence of soil properties, cover crops, water content, rainfall, etc. The Horton method was used to calculate the infiltration capacity, which was dependent on natural parameters in the field. However, a mathematical approach or deterministic statistics is used to carry out the Horton equation assuming the data taken in the field is not accompanied by natural parameters [10-12]. This process is carried out by analyzing the trend of the data obtained from the measurement results in the field due to the influence of natural parameters. The infiltration rate is calculated based on the Horton model with equation (1).

Where f is infiltration capacity (cm/hour), f_o is the initial infiltration rate (cm/hour), f_c is the constant infiltration rate in a certain time interval t during the test (cm/hour), K is a constant, t is time (hours) and e is exponential number = 2,718. The process of determining the value of K in Equation (1) is derived as follows:

$$f = f_c + (f_0 - f_c)e^{-Kt}$$

$$f - f_c = (f_o - f_c)e^{-Kt}$$
(2)

The log of both sides of Equation (2) is as follows: $\log(f - f_c) = \log(f_o - f_c) - Kt \log e$ $\log(f - f_c) - \log(f_o - f_c) = -Kt \log e$ $t = -\frac{1}{K \log e} [\log(f - f_c) - \log(f_o - f_c)]$

$$t = -\frac{1}{\kappa \log e} \log(f - f_c) + \frac{1}{\kappa \log e} \log(f_o - f_c)$$
 (3)

To determine the unknown parameters from Equation (3), a comparison is made with a linear equation in the form: y = mx + c, where y= f, $m = -\frac{1}{K \log e}$, $x = \log(f - f_c)$ and $c = \frac{1}{K \log e} \log(f_o - f_c)$.

Therefore, the value of K is determined as follows:

$$m = -\frac{1}{K \log e}$$

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$$K = -\frac{1}{0,434 m}$$
(4)

Where *m* is the gradient obtained from the linear graph of the relationship between time (t) and log (f - FC). Meanwhile, the initial infiltration value (f_o) is calculated from the regression equation generated from the graph plot of the infiltration capacity (f) against time (t). The regression equation model used to produce $f_o > FC$ provides the largest correlation coefficient (r) and determination coefficient (\mathbb{R}^2).

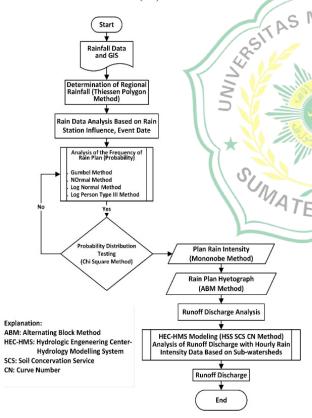


Fig. 2. Flowchart of Analysis on Rainfall and Runoff Discharge in Latung Sub-watershed

2.3.3 Analysis of rainfall and runoff discharge data

The process of examining the rainfall Influence from the 3 closest stations to the Latung sub-watershed was performed using the Thiessen Polygon method, as shown in Fig. 6. Rainfall around the Latung sub-watershed enters the tributaries and then flows and accumulates into the main river, which is the basis for calculating runoff. Furthermore, the Mononobe method was used to obtain the value of the planned rainfall intensity, which was also used to determine the peak discharge value described in the form of an IDF (Intensity Duration Frequency) curve [15,16]. The Mononobe method was an IDF curve regression equation were used to determine the rainfall data.

The runoff flow is directly generated from the analysis of the effective rainfall calculated by the Soil Conservation Service Curve Number (SCS-CN) Method [17, 18], where the rain falling on the surface is reduced by losses due to abstraction during surface runoff. Furthermore, the HEC-HMS modeling (HSS SCS CN method) [17,18] was used to analyze the runoff discharge, using the Hydrologic Engineering Center Modeling -Hydrology Modeling System (with Synthetic Unit Hydrograph - Soil Conservation Service - Curve Number) method. Meanwhile, the runoff coefficient (C) for each land cover was calculated using equation (5):

$$C_{DAS} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} C_{i} A_{i}}{\sum_{i=1}^{n} A_{i}} \tag{5}$$

 $-DAS = \frac{\Delta_{i=1} C_i A_i}{\sum_{i=1}^n A_i}$ (5)
Where Ci is the coefficient of surface runoff of land cover I, Ai is the area with land cover i. The concentration-time (tc) is calculated using the Kirpich Equation (Kamiana, 2011) (6)

$$t_c = \left(\frac{0.87 \times L^2}{1000 \times S}\right)^{0.385} \tag{6}$$

Where tc is the concentration-time (hours), L is the river length (km), and S is the gradient. In this method, the runoff discharge analysis used hourly rainfall intensity data based on the sub-watersheds in the research area. The sequence in analyzing rainfall to runoff discharge in the Latung sub-watershed is shown in Fig. 2.

3 Results and Discussion

3.1 Topography of Research Area

The topography of the Latung Sub-watershed area is shown in Fig. 3. Generally, the topographic conditions in the north bordering the Air Dingin Sub-watershed are quite steep to sloping. The Air Dingin and the Tanggadang Sub-watershed have a very steep topography in the Northeast and south. Meanwhile, in the east and west, the topography is quite steep to sloping, which becomes the basis for the calculation of runoff discharge.

3.2 Land Use

Fig. 4 shows the land use of the Latung Sub-watershed area. The figure explains that this area borders the Air Dingin and the Tanggadang Sub-watershed in the north and consists of mixed forests and gardens. To the east, it is bordered by a forest area including protected forest, while to the west, it is an area of mixed gardens and shrubs. Furthermore, the Batang Kuranji watershed is

bordered to the south and is an area of mixed gardens and secondary forest. This land-use condition is also the basis for the calculation of runoff discharge.

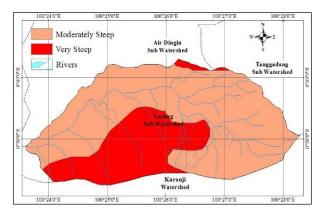


Fig. 3. Topographical Conditions of Research Area

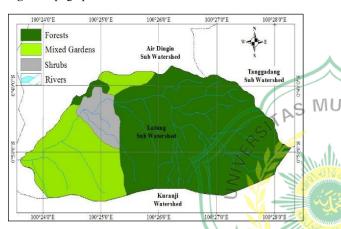


Fig. 4. Conditions of Land Use in the Latung Sub-watershed

Area

3.3 Soil Type

The soil type in the Latung sub-watershed area is shown in Fig. 5, where it is mostly dominated by Humitropepts, namely Tropepts sub-order of Inceptisol rich in humus. In the western part of the Latung sub-watershed, the soil types are divided into 2, namely Dystropepts and Tropaquepts. Dystropepts are soils with base saturation below 50%, with medium to very deep depths, fine to medium texture, acidic to very acidic soil reactions, and poor in nutrients or low soil fertility. Meanwhile, Tropaquepts are a great group of the Aquepts sub-order and the Inceptisols. This soil type does not have sulfidic material at a depth below 50 cm from the mineral soil surface and has an isometric soil temperature. It is also used as a basis for determining runoff discharge in the Latung sub-watershed.

3.4 Infiltration Capacity

The analysis results on infiltration data in the Latung subwatershed are shown in Table 2. The average initial infiltration rate in the research area was 24.85 cm/hour. Furthermore, the average constant infiltration rate was 23.54 cm/hour, with an average constant condition of 1.09 hours and an average infiltration capacity of 23.87 cm/hour, equivalent to 0.3978 cm/minute. The value of infiltration rate in Latung Sub-watershed is shown in Table 2.

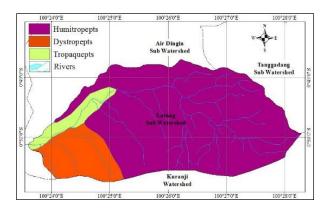


Fig. 5. Soil Types in the Latung Sub-watershed

Table 2. Infiltration Rate in Latung Sub-watershed

ŀ	ło		Initial	Constant	Time			Class	ificati	The volume of	Latung sub-	
ı		Measuring	Infiltration	Infiltration	constant	Infiltration Capacity (f)		on	of	water that can	watershed	Total debit
d		Point	Rate (fo)	Rate (fc)	(ft)			Infiltration		be absorbed	area	absorb
I			(cm/hour)	(cm/hour)	(o'clock)	cm/hour)	(cm/minute)			(m3/hour/km2)	km2	(m3/hour)
I	1	Ept.A.KC	16.64	16.20	1.17	16.28	0.271	VI-C	VL			
l	2	EPt.A.SB	23.32	22.80	1.33	22.86	0.381	VI-B	VL			
Ł	3.	Ept.B.KC	28.33	24.00	0.83	24.83	0.414	VIA	VL			
1	4"	Ept.B.SB	30.51	30.00	1.17	30.12	0.502	VIA	VL			
l	5	Ept.C.HT	40.16	39.00	1.50	39.00	0.65	v	L			
l	6	Ept.C.KC	36.62	36.00	1.67	36.03	0.60	v	L			
ı	7	Ept.C.SB	42.65	42.00	1.50	42.00	0.70	v	L	150.00	19.20	2,880,000
ı	8	Ept.D.HT	38.91	35.40	1.00	36.29	0.61	v	L			
J	9	Ept.D.KC	18:19	18.00	1.00	18.05	0.31	VI-B	VL			
4	LO	Ept.D.SB	11.64	10.80	0.83	11.00	0.18	VI-D	VL			
1	11	Ept.E.HT	25.06	22.20	0.67	23.80	0.39	VI-B	VL			
d	12	Ept.E.KC	5.75	4.80	0.67	5.13	0.09	VI-E	VL			
L	L3	Ept. E.SB	5.25	4.80	0.83	4.92	0.08	VI-E	VL			
l	A	verage	24.85	23.54	1.09	23.87	0.97	VI-B	VL			2.880.000

Description, Ept = Inceptisol, A, B, C, D, E = the slope of land, Kc = mix garden, SB = shrubs, HT = forest. VL = very low, L=low.

The infiltration capacity of the Latung sub-watership.

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3.5 Analysis of Rainfall and Runoff Discharge

Based on the analysis of regional rainfall using the Thiessen Polygon method, it is known that the area of the Batang Air Dingin Watershed is 131.18 km². Meanwhile, the Latung sub-watershed is 19.20 km² or 14.6% of the total area of the Batang Air Dingin watershed. Therefore, the area of rainfall influence in the Latung sub-watershed is 14.6% of the total rainfall Influence on the Batang Air Dingin watershed. Fig. 6 and Table 3 show that the total area of rainfall Influence from the 3 existing rain gauge stations on the Latung sub-watershed is 19.2 km².

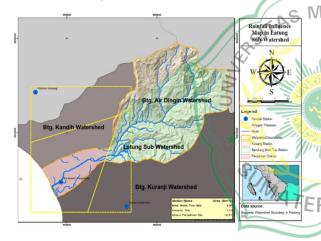


Fig. 6. Rainfall Influence on Latung Sub-watershed with Polygon Thiessen Method

Table 3. The Rainfall Influence on the Latung Sub-watershed

Station	Rainfall Influence Area (km²)	%
Muaro Panjalinan Station	2.97	15.50
Kasang Station	3.27	17.08
Bendung Koto Tuo Station	12.92	67.42
Total	19.16	100.00

Based on the sequence of the analysis process shown in Fig. 2, the planned rainfall intensity in the Latung Subwatershed area calculated under 5, 10, 20, 25, 50, and 100 year return periods is described in the form of an IDF (Intensity Duration Frequency) curve [15,16]. The analysis is shown in Fig. 7.

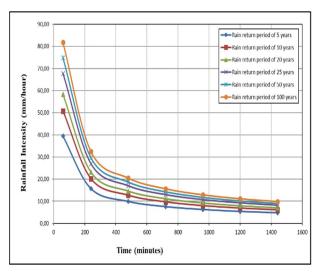


Fig. 7. IDF (Intensity Duration Frequency) Curve with Return Period in Latung Sub-watershed

3.6 Analysis of Runoff Discharge

The runoff coefficient value, Curve Number (CN), Land Use, and runoff discharge in the Latung sub-watershed are highly dependent on the type and area of land use, as shown in Figs. 3, 4, and 5. Meanwhile, the concentration-time (tc) is the time needed to drain rainwater from the farthest point to flow over the ground to a certain point in terms of the drainage area. The time is influenced by the characteristics of the infiltration area, land use, and the distance of the water path from the farthest to the consideration point. According to the existing data,

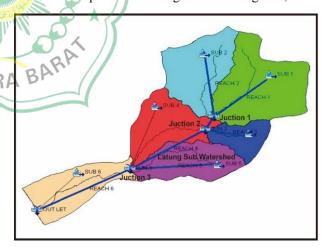


Fig. 8. Junction 3 of the Latung Sub-Watershed

The concentration-time (tc) in the Latung River calculated using equation (6) is 2.61 hours. Fig. 7 provides a detailed analysis of the runoff discharged in the Batang Air Dingin Watershed, which is divided into 6 subwatersheds, while runoff is divided into 3 junctions. The 3rd junction is the accumulation of runoff discharge originating from the Latung sub-watershed, as shown in Fig. 8.

Table 4. Analysis Results of Runoff Discharge in Latung Sub-
watershed for Return Period of 25 Years

Junction 3 (Repeat Period 25 Years)							
Time	Inflow From Junction 2	Inflow From Sub 4	Inflow From Latung Sub Watershed	Outflow From Junction 3			
Hour		(m ³ /s)				
0	0,0	0,0	0,0	0,0			
2	1,1	3,9	1,4	6,3			
4	351,5	150,1	112,8	614,3			
6	269,5	78,0	75,1	422,7			
8	170,0	47,9	45,7	263,6			
10	125,9	37,4	34,4	197,6			
12	104,7	31,6	28,8	165,1			
14	48,7	8,0	11,4	68,1			
16	16,0	1,5	3,0	20,5			
18	4,5	0,2	0,7	5,5			
20	20 1,2 0,0		0,1	1,3			
22	0,3	0,0	0,0	0,3			
24	0,1	0,0	0,0	0,1			

The analysis results are presented seen in Table 4, while the graph of the runoff discharge hydrograph is shown in Fig. 9.

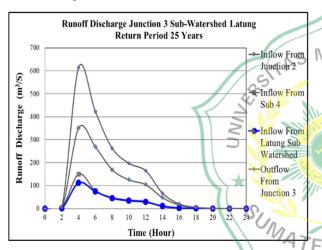


Fig. 9. Hydrograph of runoff discharge into the Latung subwatershed

Fig. 9 and Table 4 are used to explain the preparation of the hydrograph graph for runoff entering the Latung Sub-watershed, the maximum rain duration occurred for 6 hours. The area of the Latung sub-watershed is 19.20 km² or 14.64% of the total area of the Batang Air Dingin watershed. Furthermore, based on the runoff discharge analysis, the value of surface runoff in 2020 calculated by the SCS CN method for a 25 year return period in the Latung sub-watershed is 112.8 m3/second, as shown in Table 4. Meanwhile, in 2010 14.64% of the design was discharged, for 87.84 m³/second [19]. There was an increase in the runoff discharge of 25 m³/second or 22.13% in the years before 2010. The increase in runoff discharge and the small volume of infiltration in this area were due to the flood disaster in the downstream area of the Latung Sub-watershed, namely in the Muara Penjalinan or the outlet area of the Air Dingin watershed. Therefore, efforts are needed to carry out reclamation or conservation to restore the condition of the Latung subwatershed to maintain its function as a counterweight for the preservation of water resources.

4 Conclusion

The following conclusions were obtained from the research results:

- 1. The infiltration capacity in the Latung sub-watershed for 1.09 hours is 23.87 cm/hour with a relatively low infiltration capacity of 150,000 m3/hour/km².
- 2. There was an increase in runoff discharge of 25 m³/second or 22.13% from 2010 to 2020.

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