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SUSTAINABLE WINTER SERVICE FOR ROAD USERS

*WHAT IMPACT WILL CLIMATE CHANGE
HAVE ON ROADS IN SWEDEN AND HOW
TO DEAL WITH IT*

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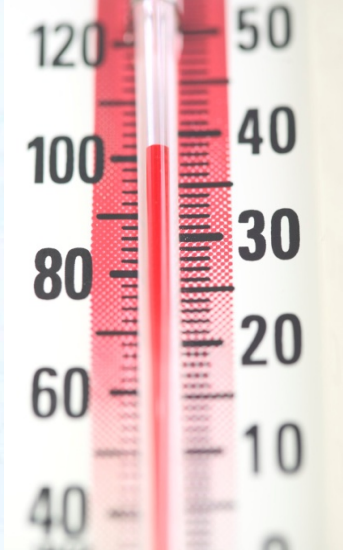
Civil emergency planning

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CLIMATE CONDITIONS THAT INFLUENCE THE ROAD SYSTEM

Temperature



Rainfall



Floodings



Wind



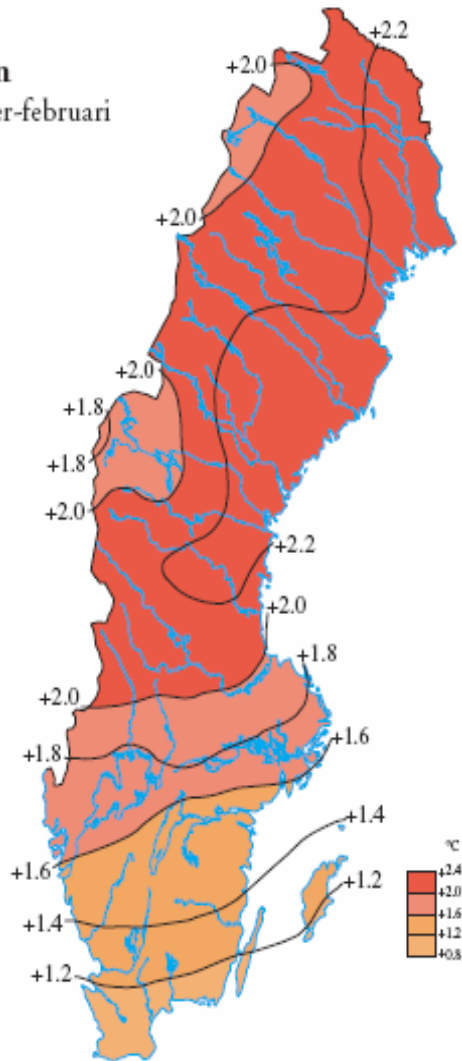
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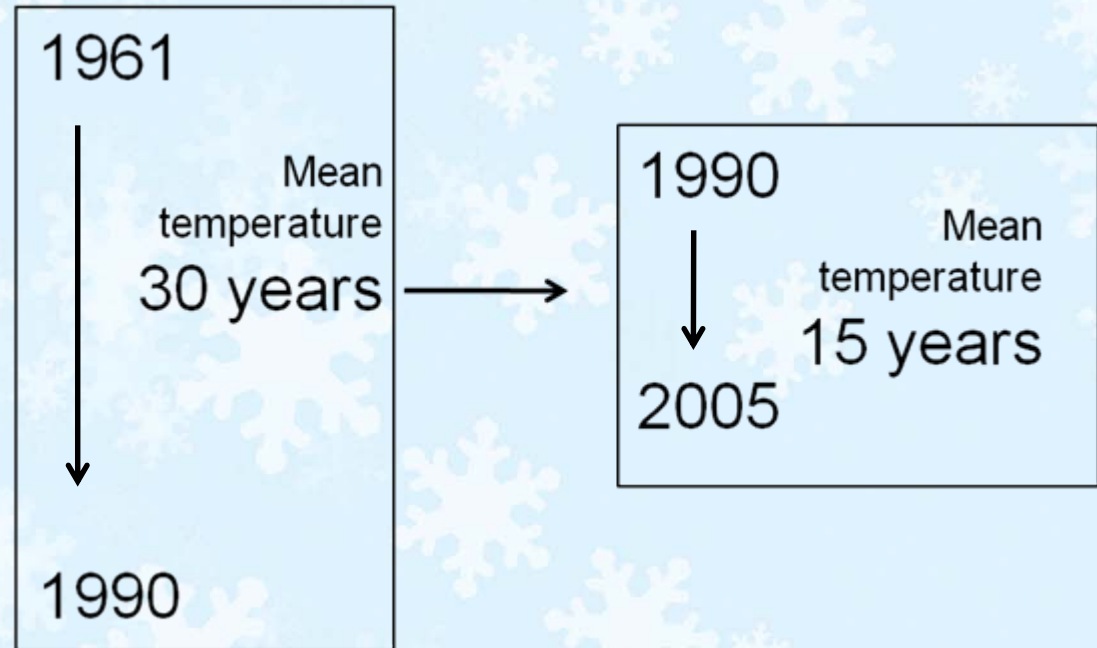
Sea level



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Temperature

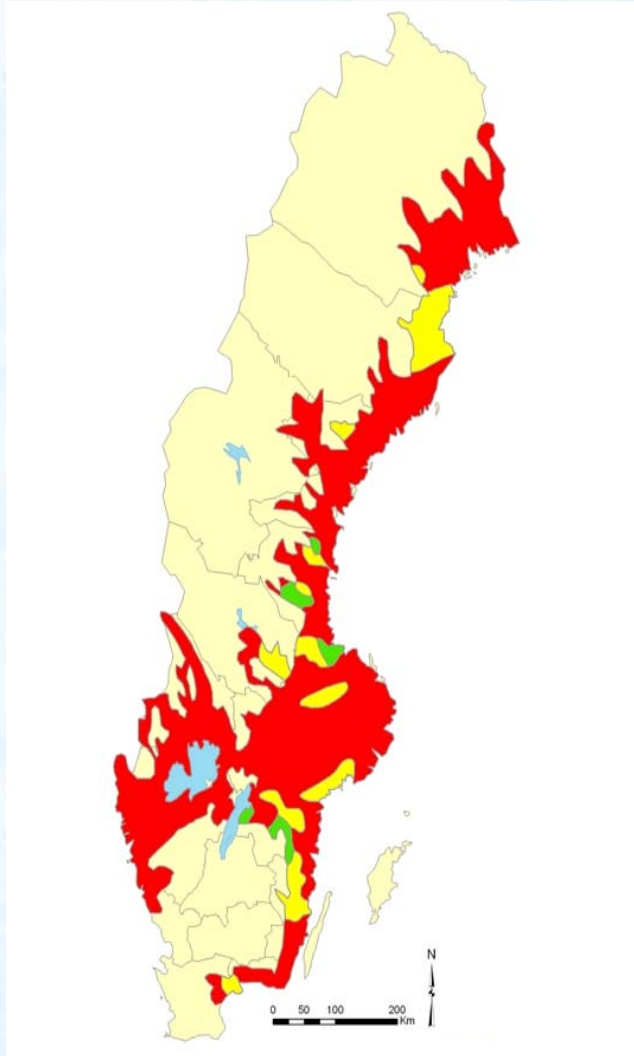


Observed change in mean temperature during the winter between the period of 1961-1990 and 1991-2005.

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- Iceroads will disappear
- Higher sea level will cause rebuilding of ferry berths and connecting roads

LANDSLIDES

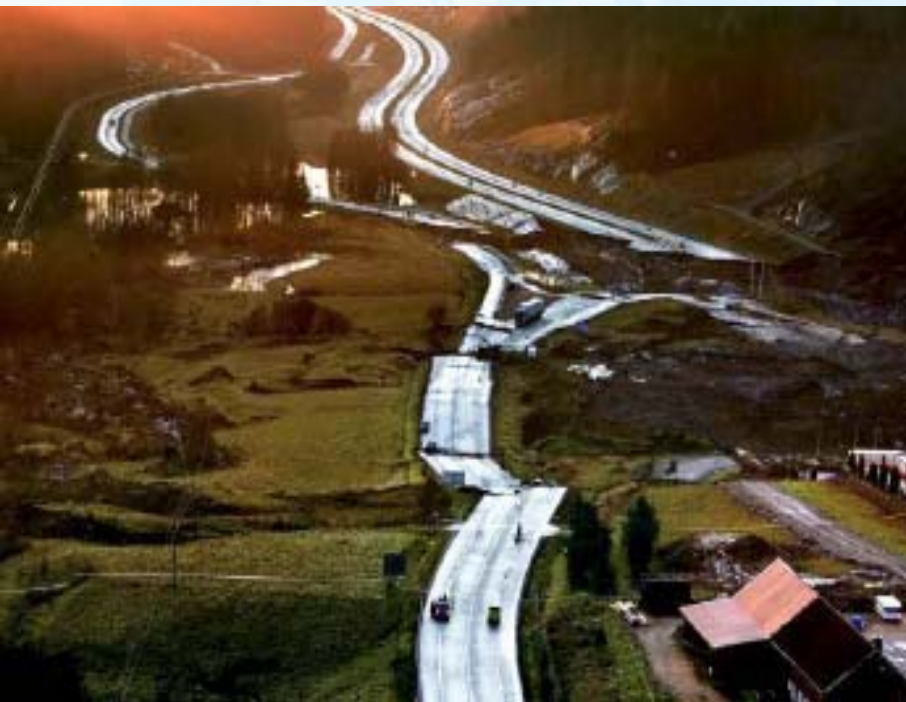


 = Increase

 = Unchanged

 = Decrease

LANDSLIDE SAFETY, IN THE SOUTHWEST PARTS OF SWEDEN, WILL BE TOO LOW ALREADY IN A SHORT TIME.



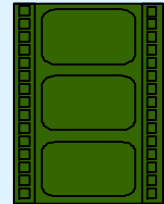
ROAD MAINTENANCE AND OPERATIONS

- Unchanged costs for winter maintenance totally
- More expensive in the north and less expensive in the south
- Removal of water by ditch or otherwise will be the most important issue

BRIDGES, STORM FLOODS

- Stemming at low bridges
Irrespective of the watercourse width
- Bridges over small watercourses
Intensive rainfall on small catchment areas
- Erosion damages on bridge support

SMALL WATERCOURSES WITH INTENSIVE FLOW DURING A SHORT TIME



Landslide at Enafors, Jämtland, 2006

PROPOSALS IN THE LONG-TERM PLANNING

- Improvement of competence
- Research and development
- Review of rules and regulations
- Risk analysis of existing constructions
- Studies of vulnerable areas pointed out

RESEARCH AND DEVELOPMENT

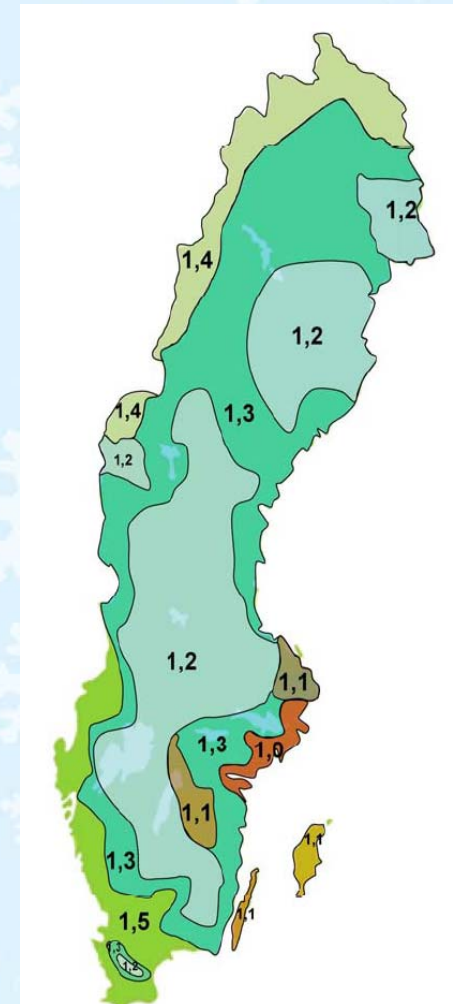
- Research and development ought to be done together with other countries. The work in ERA NET ROAD and PIARC are good examples.
- It is of the highest importance to develop methods concerning risk analysis methods as regards storm floods and land slides.

REVIEW OF RULES AND REGULATIONS

- When constructing new roads the effects of climate change should be a part of the dimensioning.
- Risk based functionality specifications ought to be introduced for all components in the whole road network.
- Criteria for accepted risk levels ought to be decided.



Hydraulic Dimensioning

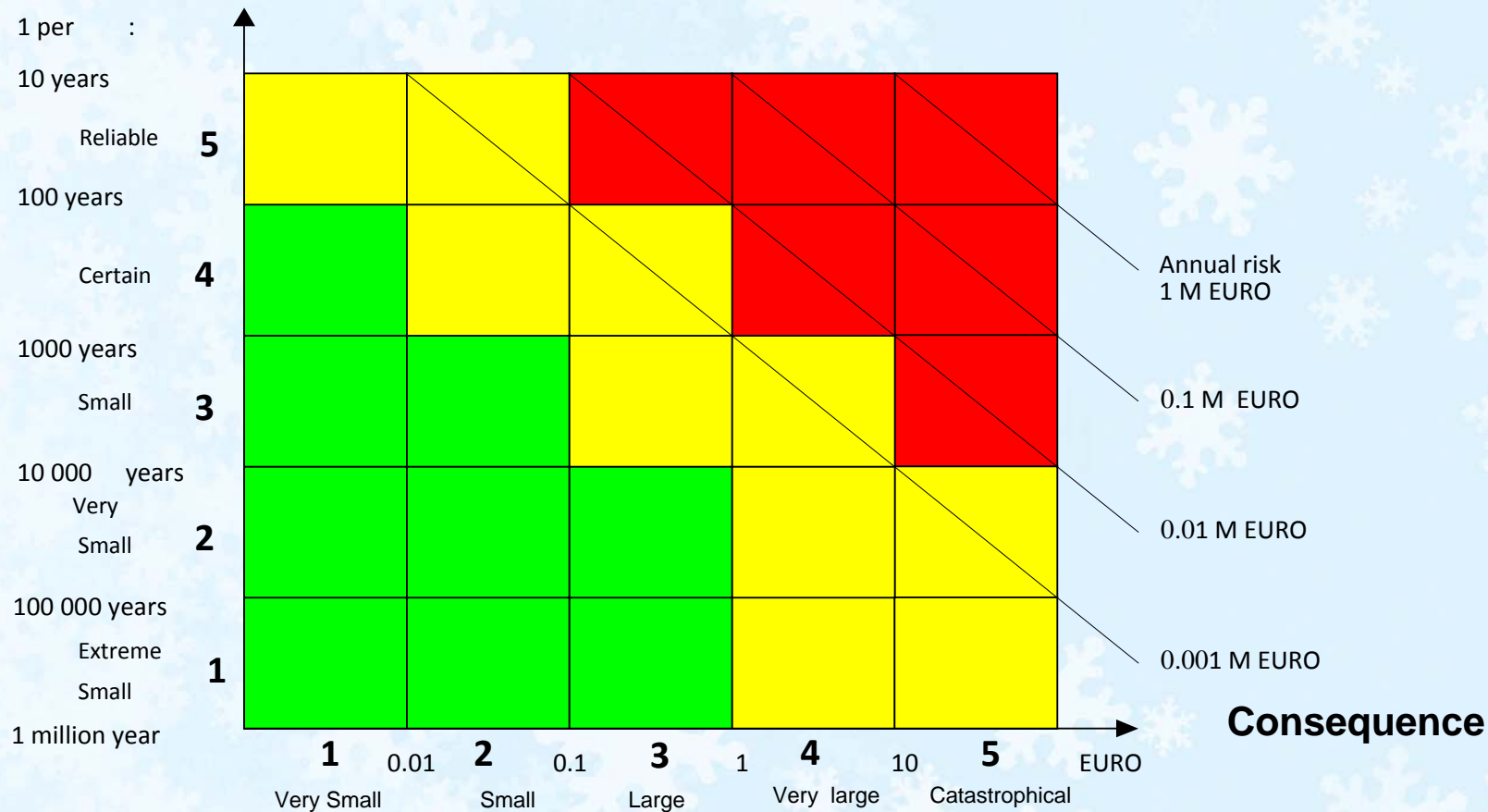


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Hydraulisk dimensionering

EXISTING CONSTRUCTIONS

- Areas with higher risk due to climate change should be specifically noticed at risk analysis.
- Take into consideration that smaller roads often have the highest risks depending on construction.
- Preventive measures are carried out when the risk level is not acceptable or when the measures are motivated on a cost/benefit analysis.

Probability



Risk classes in matrices:

- Class 3, high risk level, not accepted in general
- Class 2, medium risk level, safety action should be considered
- Class 1, low risk level, accepted in general

INSTRUCTIONS

- RISK ANALYSIS CHOSEN ROAD STRETCH



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Thank you for listening!