Prof. Dr. M. Maurer How can a decommissioned drinking water reservoir be repurposed to meet the modern
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requirements for a sustainable urban water management?
The municipality of Würenlos is currently planning the construction of a new drinking water reservoir. This raises the question of how the old reservoir (see pictures below) could be repurposed to make a positive contribution to sustainable urban water management. The main goal of the municipality is to reduce the overall drinking water extraction from their groundwater resources.
The aim of this project is to conduct a feasibility study to identify and evaluate 2-3 potential reuse options for the old reservoir. In the next phase, the best option will be selected and dimensioned. The project will be conducted by a master's student in environmental engineering, in collaboration with one or two architecture students who will approach it as a "Vertiefungsarbeit".
 Research questions for the environmental engineering student include: What viable reuse options exist for the reservoir? Which criteria best support selecting the optimal option? How should the optimal option be dimensioned?
A key objective is to leverage synergy between environmental engineering and architecture. This interdisciplinary collaboration aims to combine technical feasibility with design excellence, creating a project for a sustainable, functional, and aesthetically integrated urban water infrastructure.
Report = 60 %, Presentation = 20 %, Practical work = 20 %
Organization:ETH (D-BAUG and D-ARCH) / Gemeinde WürenlosPrerequisites:Interest in sustainable urban water managementProject period:14 weeks / 50%Language:EnglishSingle / Group work:Group work (1 environmental engineer, 1-2 architects)Contact:Lea Stalder (staldele@ethz.ch)