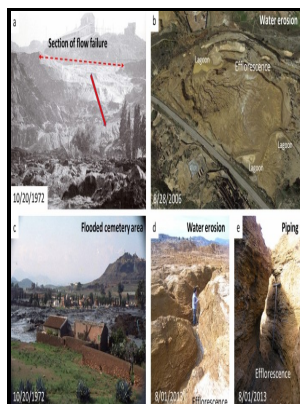


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Despite these limitations, the release of this information to the public domain and its compilation into a single database constitutes a major step towards better managing the risk posed by tailings.

Tailings dams failures insurance perspective

Fort Meade, Florida, USA phosphate? For instance, while upstream facilities make up 37 per cent of the total, they have declined from a peak of 85 per cent of new facilities in 1920—1929 to 19 per cent of new facilities in 2010—2019 Fig. Slide 7: There are 3 principal design options for tailings dams: upstream, downstream and centerline.

Tailings dams failures insurance perspective

To the author, the statistics suggest a rather severe underestimation of risk continuing even today in tailings dam permitting and construction. For example, mechanical dewatering has been occurring since 2014 at our Caval Ridge Metallurgical Coal mine in Queensland Australia. At present, the number of active downstream facilities 230 marginally exceeds the number of active upstream facilities 224 Fig.

Tailings facility disclosures reveal stability risks

This Review was in addition to any existing assurance activities already being undertaken by our operations.

Tailings facility disclosures reveal stability risks

It is important to note that tailings dams are dynamic structures and maintaining dam integrity requires ongoing focus on appropriate engineering design, quality construction, operating discipline and effective governance processes to ensure risk controls are effectively implemented and maintained. Discussion 2: Flood inundation studies Many dams have never been the object of an inundation study based on Dam breach analyses. For example, during the operational phase this may include the expansion of storage volume, either through dam raises which is when the dam height is increased, or through the construction of additional dams.

Tailings Dams Briefing Transcript

The time periods of concern are many millennia, but the existing seismic data collection is often limited to decades, at best. The removal of water from tailings is an important innovation with the potential to improve geotechnical and geochemical stability ,,,,,.

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