## **IRAQ'S MEGA PROJECTS**

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#### I: INTRODUCION

- Financing Iraq federal projects is entirely dependent on revenues obtained from export of hydrocarbons, currently oil. Iraq prior to 1991 exported pipeline quality gas and products.
- Restructuring Iraq requires enormous number of mega projects in many sectors above all is the Oil, Electricity, Water Resources, Transport and Industry projects.
- Oil production will be in the region of 6 million barrel per day "B/D" by end of 2017 heading to about 8 million B/D in years to follow. The creation of Basra Gas Company (BGC) that started functioning on May 1<sup>st</sup> 2013, is only a beginning for a major revolution in the Iraqi Gas Industry

- Electricity generation and supply is now only about 8500 MW while the country needs some 14000 MW.
- Water availability and supply is in real shortage awaiting resolution by irrigation and desalination projects.
- Several pre-1991 petrochemicals and fertilizers projects await re-activation.

 The basis for selection of projects in this presentation is mostly requirements of the national 5-yr plan plus projects previously selected in the past long and medium terms plans that were initiated but either stopped or suspended.

- Projects in Kurdistan, not part of the National Development Plan 'NDP', are largely Hydrocarbon Exploration and Development projects handled by the provisional government KRG.
- In absence of official project cost, the quoted estimate is based on international cost indices. This and project priority is further defined in Section-III.
- While this paper was being prepared, the PM Advisory Commission announced that they will launch the National Integrated Strategy soon (June the 12<sup>th</sup>?). The list of mega projects presented her may have to be revised based on the main goals of that strategy.

### **II: PROJECTS BY SECTORS**

Live projects requiring \$85-100 billion are shown below:

Live projects						
Sector	Project	Estimated \$ billion	Remarks			
Oil & Gas	Oilfield development contracts	20-25, 15 by 2017	Fields of Bid Rounds 1 & 2			
	Water Injection Mega Project, Fig-1	10-12, 5 by 2017	In 15-20 reservoirs of contracted fields Source: Sea water or Main Outfall Drain			
			Preparation for commencing FEED			
	Gas utilization (Basra Gas Company)	5-10 by end 2017	4-5 million mmscfd associated and free			
			gas from Sib, Akkas & Mansuriya Fields			
	Iraq - Jordan pipeline & Export Refinery in Aqaba	15-17	In preparation for route survey and FEED			
Refining	Kerbala Refinery: 140,000 B/D	3	By end 2016. FEED available, no offer yet			
	Maisan Refinery: 150,000 B/D	3.5	By end 2016, FEED available, no offer yet			
	Addition of 100,00 B/D to existing refining centers	2	By end 2015			
Electricity	20830 MW power generation (Fig 3) by 2017 including	27, 4.5 each year	Based on 5-yr plan of MoE Revise progress by			
	- 14 gas fed stations during 2012-2015		end 2013			
	- 400 MW renewable energy sources: 2013-2016					

# Prospective mega projects expected to be announced in near future (to be aware of) are as follows:

Prospective projects					
Sector	Project	Estimated \$ billion	Remarks		
Oil & Gas	Nasiriya Refinery: 300,000 B/D	7	Currently part of integrated package with		
			Nasiriya Field, Bid opening expected by Dec 13		
Water Resources	The Main Outfall Drain Desalination, Fig 2	Pending feasibility study	Tender Docs for the study under preparation		
			Capacity of the renovated scheme can supply		
	Dams: Available over 100 sites, many are under study,	Pending study results	water for the "Mega Water Injection Project"		
	Fig-4A & B				
Environment	National Green Belt, Conceptual schematic in Fig 5	25 pending study	Requires 5-10 years, Conceptual proposal available		
Transport	Great Fao Seaport	0.25 for Wave Breaker	Location offshore Fao, Contract foe wave breaker		
			awarded. Other phases are under consideration		

Mega projects under close consideration by some sources in Iraq requiring re-activation and containment in the coming 5-year plan are the following:

Projects to be reactivated						
Sector	Project	Estimated \$ billion	Remarks			
Oil & Gas	Rehabilitation of Iraqi-Turkish Export	Two	Restore designed capacity of 1.5 million B/D			
	pipeline					
Transport	Metro Baghdad	Exceeds 10 billion	FEED Available			
Industry	Petrochemical Complex, PC3	NA	FEED available, partly started before 1991 Gulf War			
	Expansion of Urea plants at Baiji-4 & Khor Elzubair sites	NA	Study to be activated			
	Mining and utilization of Bentonite & Kaolin	NA	Geological Survey & Mining Exploration" of Mol			
			made a start. TDs for Bentonite are available			

#### **III: CONCLUSIONS**

- 1- There are 8 Mega projects under the supervision of MoO and MoE requiring \$85 100 billion during the years 2013-2017.
- 2- There are mega prospective projects belonging to ministries of Oil, Water Resources, Environment and Transport. Two of the projects require at least \$32 billion. The next five year plan is expected to accommodate some or all
- 3- There are 5 mega projects belonging to ministries of Oil, Transport and Industry worth of reactivation

- Basra Line: Phase-1
- BL1: 3 x 48" Fao- Rumaila
- BL2: 2 x 48" N Rumaila- Nasiriya
- BL3: 24" Nasiriyan- Manifold 1
- Leading to Gharraf & Rafidain

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- Maisan Line: Phase-2
- ML1: 48" Fao- B Umer-Halfaya
- ML2: 28" Halfaya-Buzurgan
- Branch off: Majnoon, Fuqi
- /Abu Gharab, Badra?, B Umer

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- Extension Lines (Phase-3/4) Option
- 48" Nasiriya- Ahdeb E Baghdad
- 16" Branch off E Baghdad-Balad

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- Branch off (Phase 3)
- N Rumaila- Tuba & Ratawi

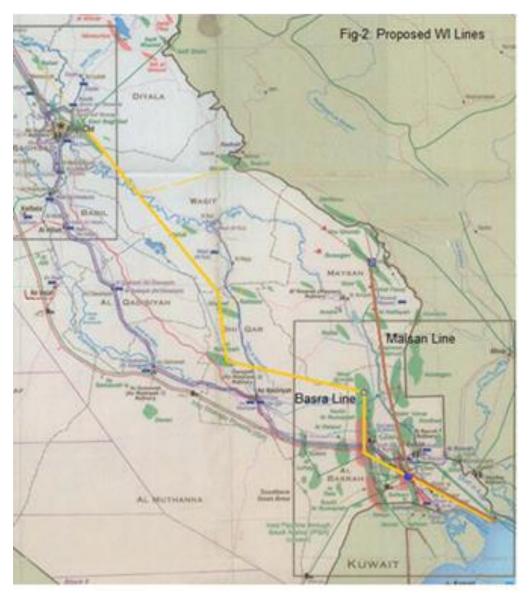


Figure-1: Water Injection pipelines (Conceptual)

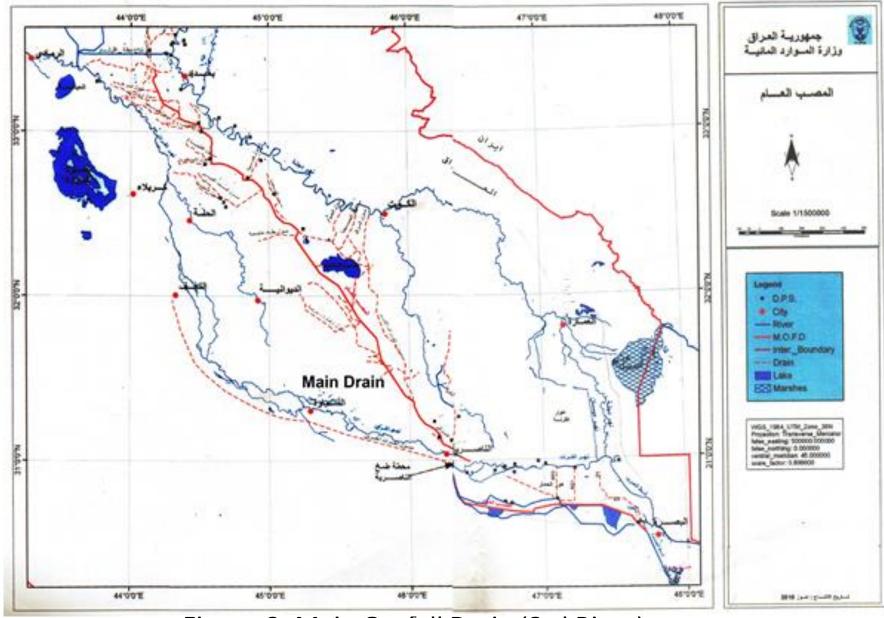


Figure-2: Main Outfall Drain (3rd River)

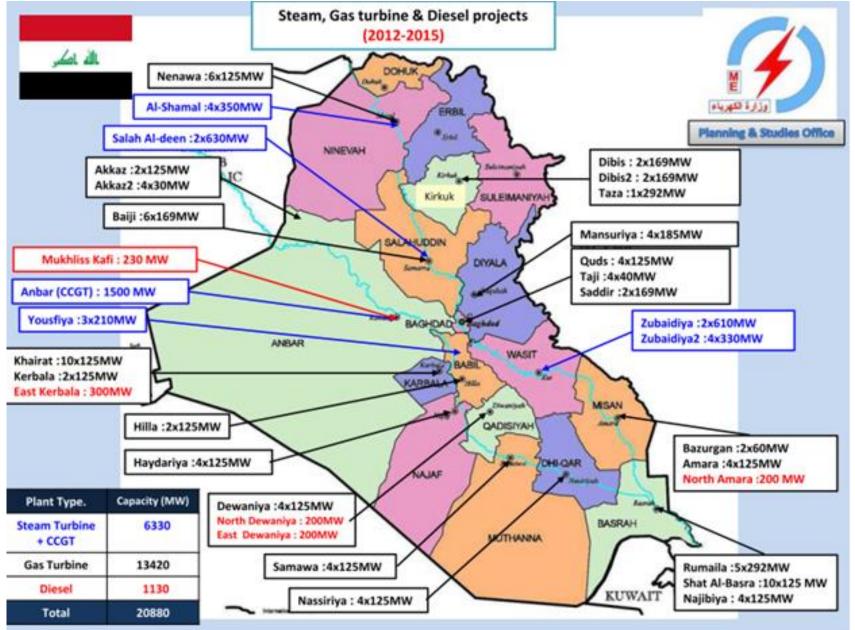


Figure-3: Electricity projects of the five year plan Petroconsult Canad, Dr T Uqaili:

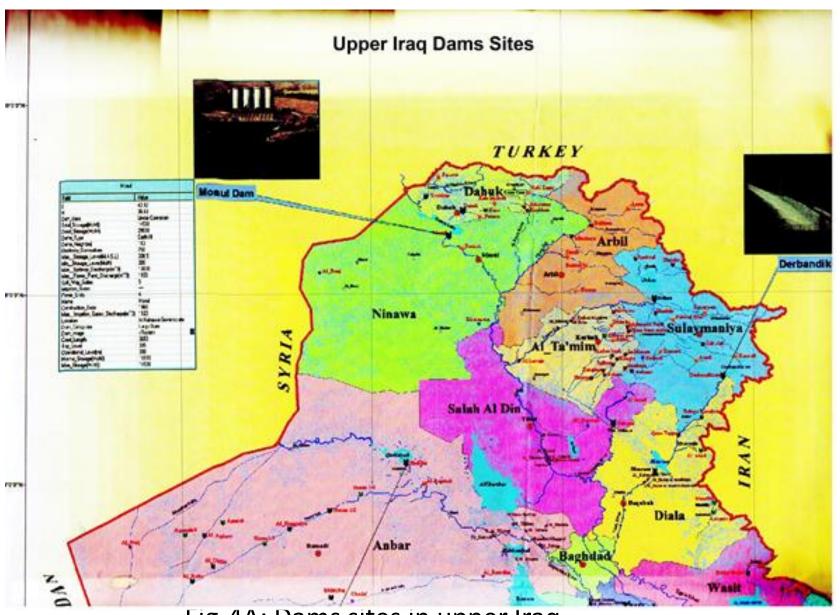


Fig-4A: Dams sites in upper Iraq

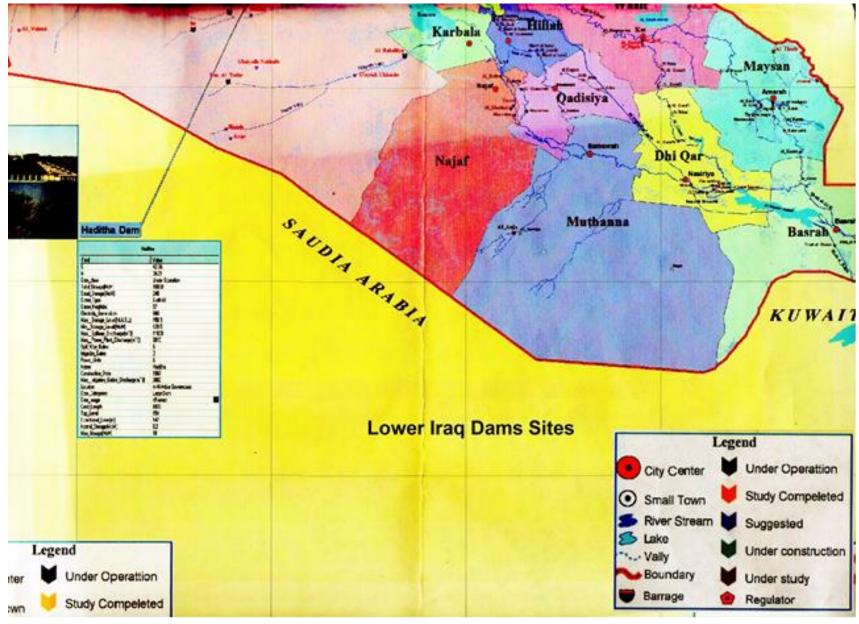


Fig-4B: Dams sites in Lower Iraq Petroconsult Canad, Dr T Uqaili: tuqaili@yahoo.co.uk

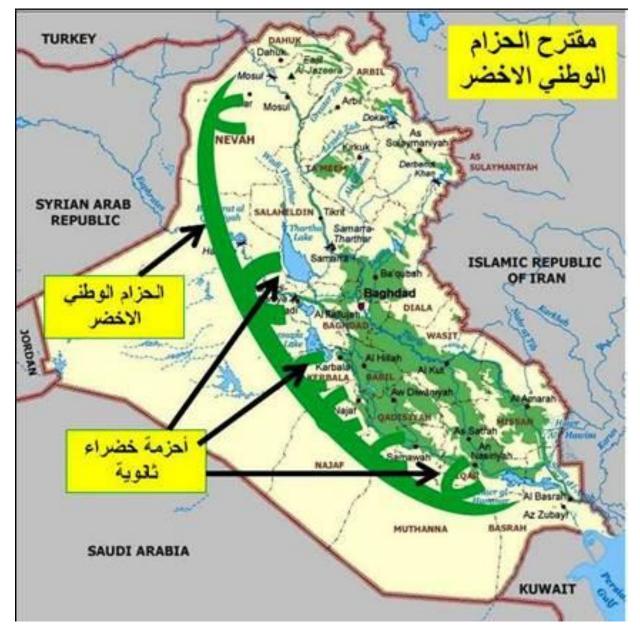


Figure 5: Proposed National Green Belt Petroconsult Canad, Dr T Uqaili: