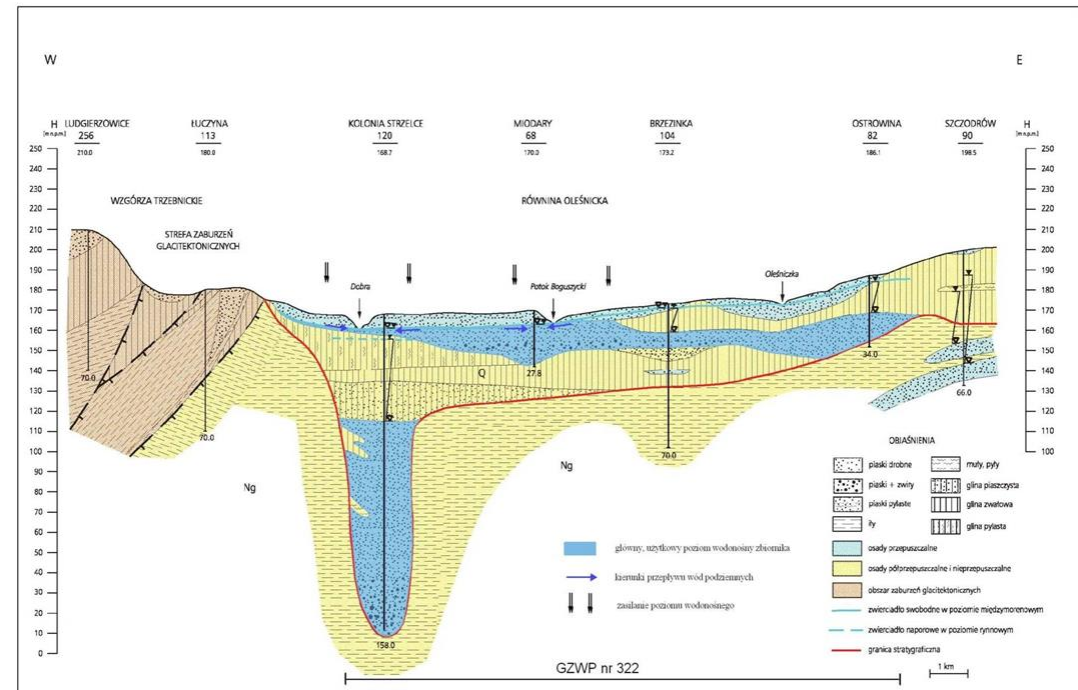


# High groundwater resources as a supplementary source of water supply – Wrocław City

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- Water in big City
- Groundwater resources in Poland
- Existing water supply, quality and cost- case study of Wrocław City
- New findings – groundwater resources in Wrocław City vicinity
- New idea, proposal, solution , advantages and cost
- Summary

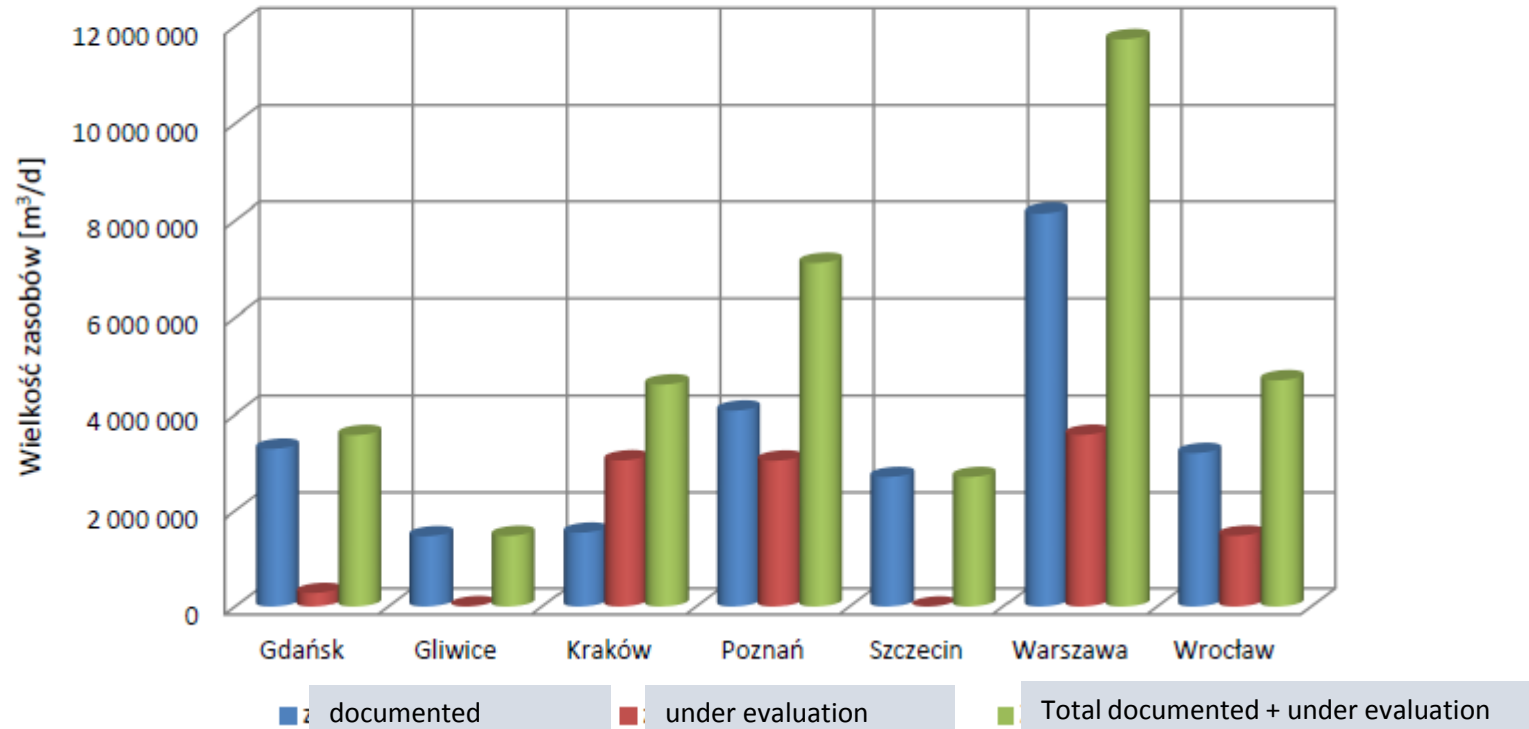
- Over **72% of world population is located in urban area and according to prognosis in 2050 year it will be >80 %** (Eurostat, 2016)
- In Poland over **20 mln people is leaving in cities when around 20% is located in 16 biggest cities including Wrocław City** (GUS, 2017)



<http://www.crresearch.com/the-re-urbanization-of-america>

Big City and infrastructure –roads, electricity, gas, water supply and sewage system, surface water  
Increasing demand and pressure on limited land surface

# Groundwater resources Poland



**Total available groundwater resources in Poland 35,9 million m<sup>3</sup>/d,**

**when 24.5 million m<sup>3</sup>/d disposable**

**Wrocław region – 4.2 million m<sup>3</sup>/d**

**Groundwater exploitation in Wrocław region -16.3 % of total**

Woznicka 2017,  
Polish Geological  
Institute

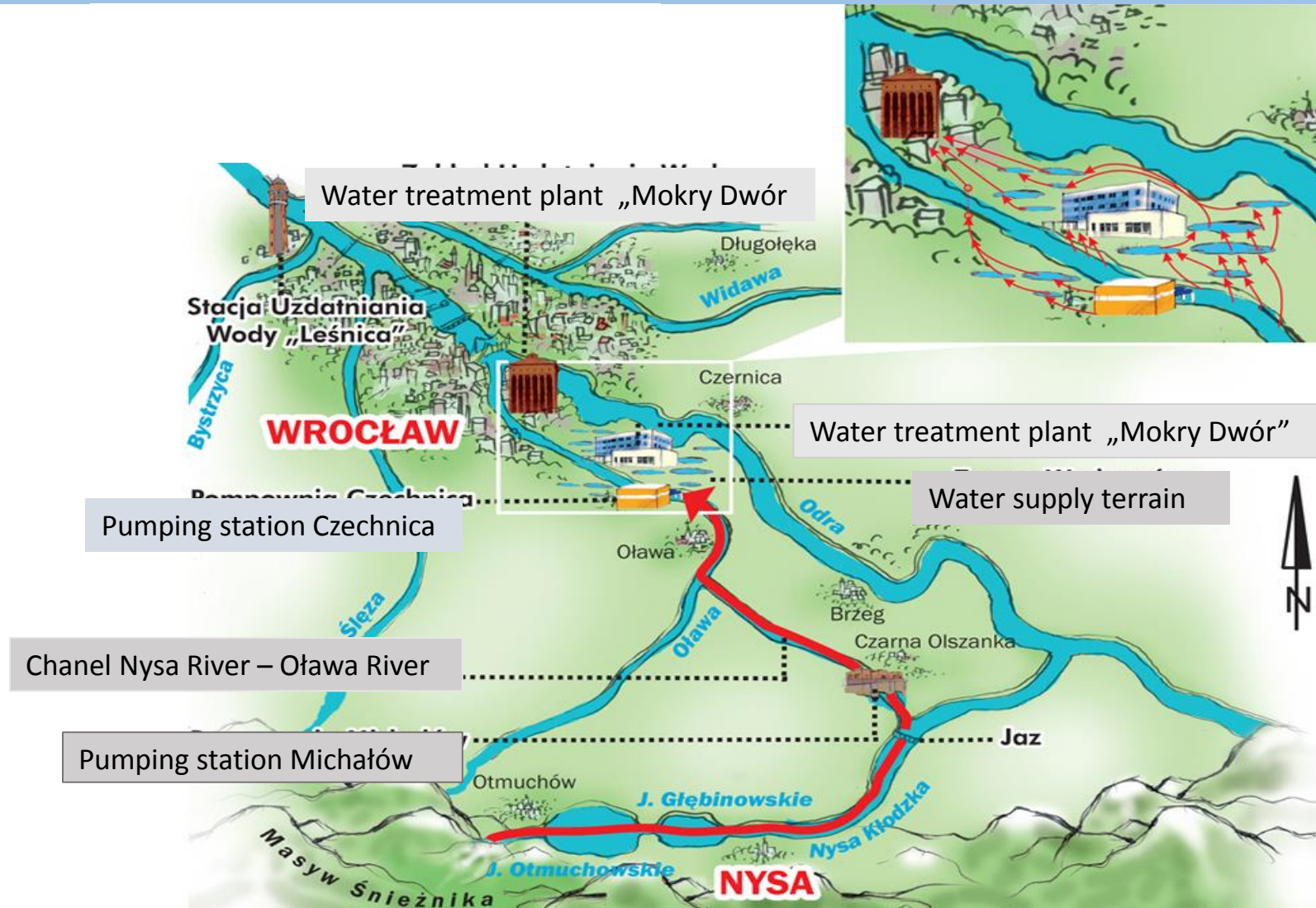


## Short history of water supply Wroclaw City

- 1386 year – Big Water Wheel supply water from Odra River
- 1871 year Water Treatment Plant Na Grobli – surface water
- 1905 r. groundwater intake by inż. Adolf Thiem in Oława river valley construction of 313 wells and expected exploitation 40 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d
- High Fe and Mn concentration
- Artificial recharge by ponds
- After 1945 year the water intake has been reconstructed nad modified and produce 110 000 -150 00 m<sup>3</sup>/d



# Water supply system Wrocław City base on surface water and artificial recharge – infiltration by ponds



**Wrocław City water supply system**  
**Area -1026 ha ( 60 % out of the City)**

**54 infiltration ponds ,**

**Over 488 shallow wells,**

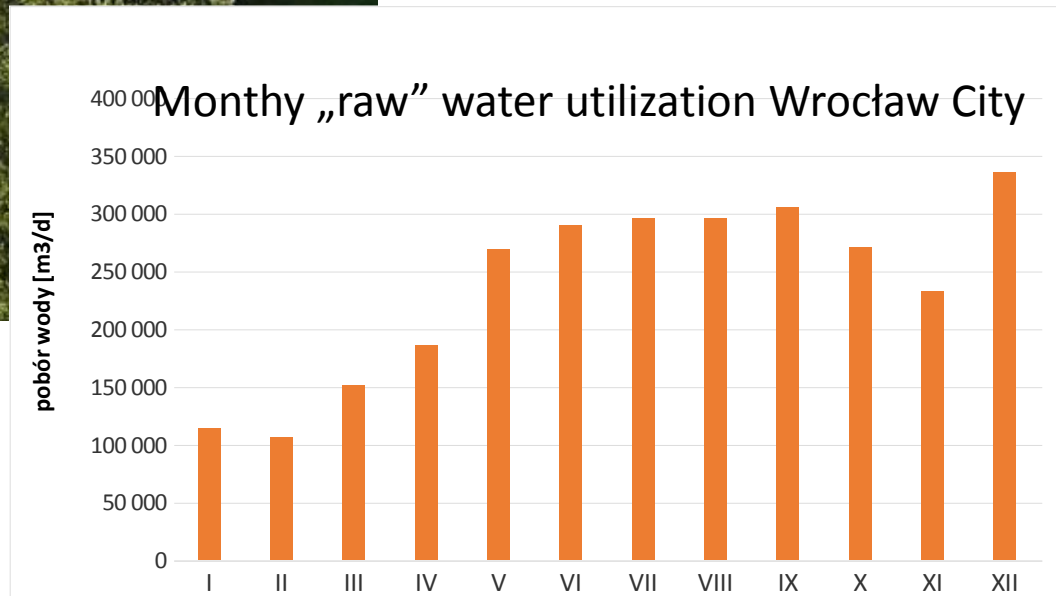
**Two water treatment plants**

According to Municipal Water Supply (MPWiK) Wrocław





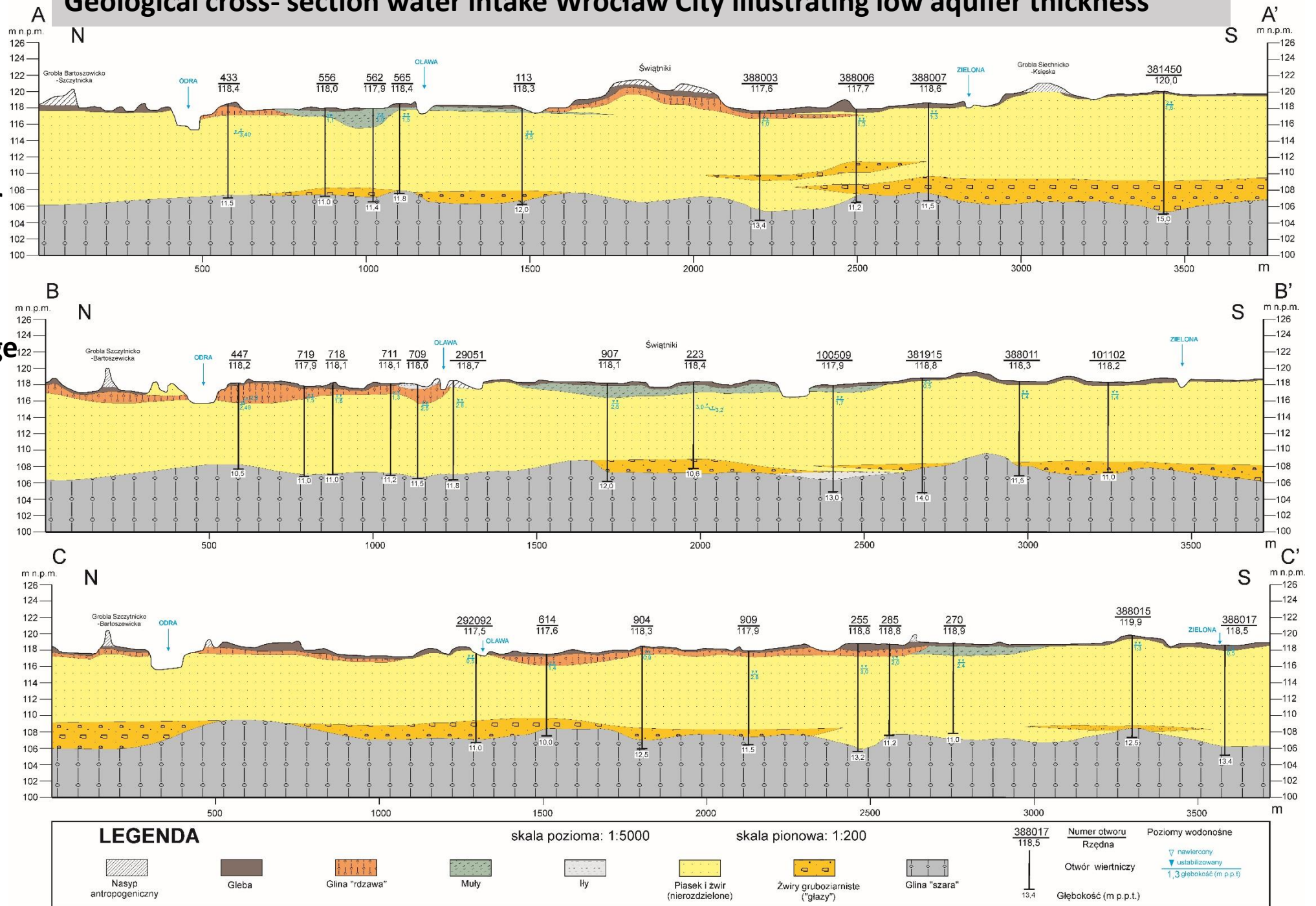
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# Geological cross-section water intake Wrocław City illustrating low aquifer thickness

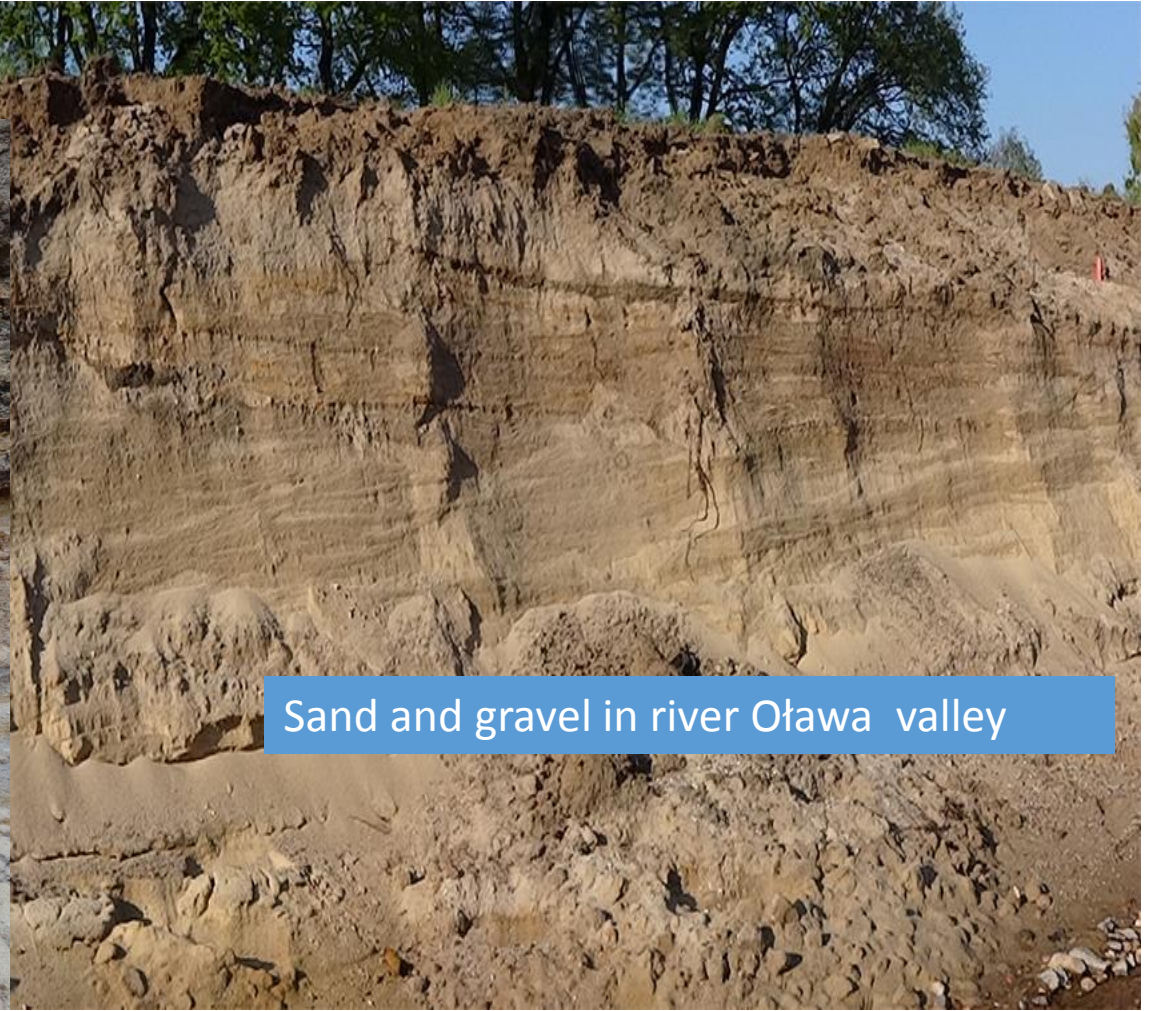
**Infiltration water intake  
Sand and gravel  
thickness water bearing unit range  
form 6.4-8.2 m  
(Świątniki)**







Mud and silts sediments

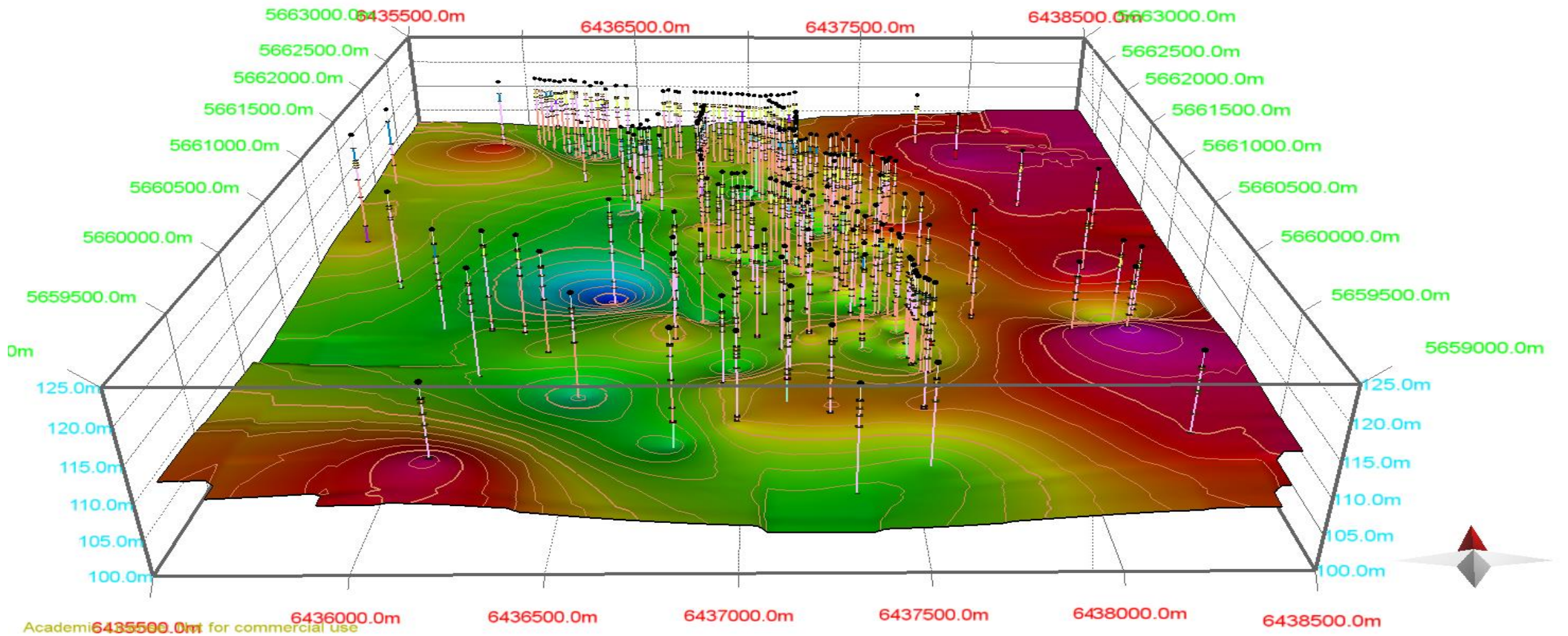


Sand and gravel in river Oława valley

After Wojewoda et al 2015



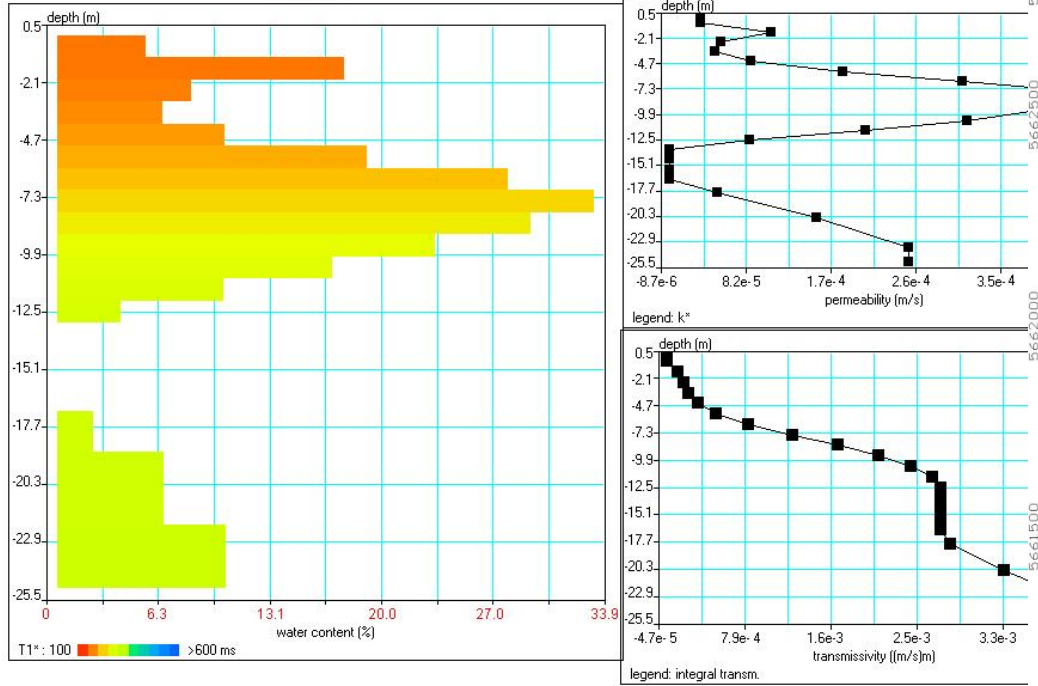
# Detailed geological study and research on the water intake terrain Wrocław City



After Wojewoda et al 2015



# MRS 1



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**The rest (85 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d -55 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d ) of total average amount 120 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d has been treated by Mokry Dwór Plant based on surface water of Oława and Nysa Kłodzka river .**

**Five processes has been used to utilized and meet required water quality standards**

Big City means

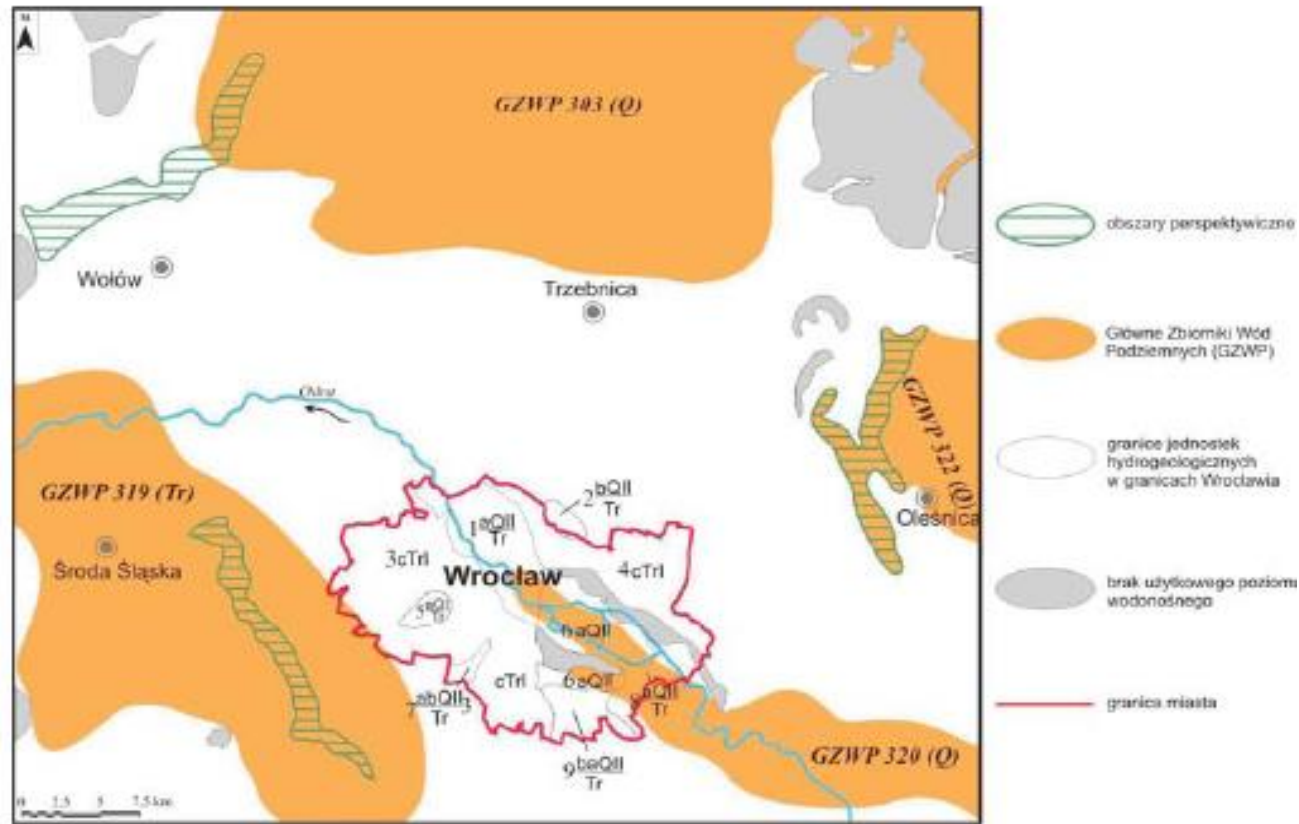
Increasing demand and pressure on  
limited land surface

Let us consider

Reverse solution dispersed sources on surrounding terrains

## Geological survey in late 70- and 80 –thies XX century discovered high groundwater aquifers near Wrocław City

In the vicinity of Wrocław City three Major Groundwater Basin (MGB) has been recognized and documented: MGB 319 Środa Śląska, MGB 322 Oleśnica and MGB 320 Wrocław



### Major Groundwater Basin near Wrocław City

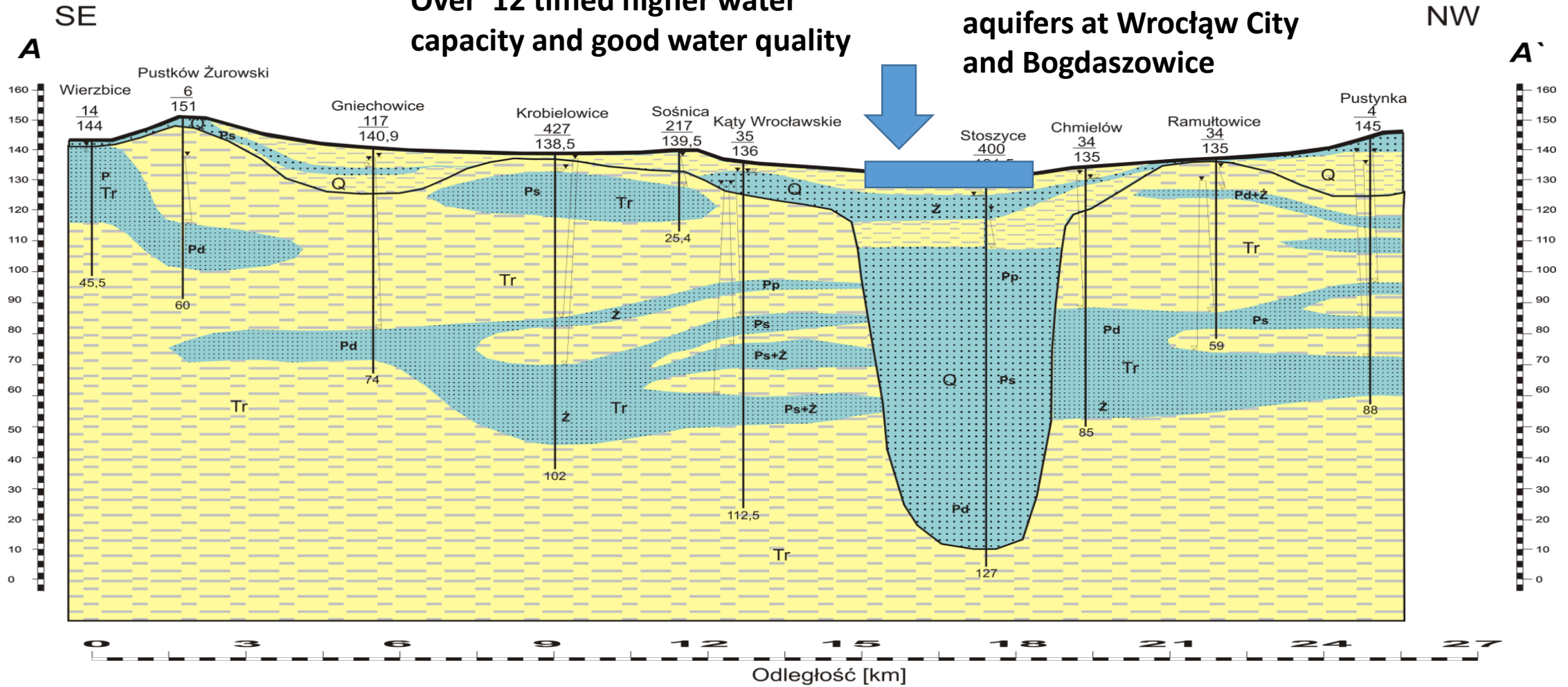
Fig. 5. Mapa warunków hydrogeologicznych w rejonie Wrocławia

After Sobol i inni 2009, PIG



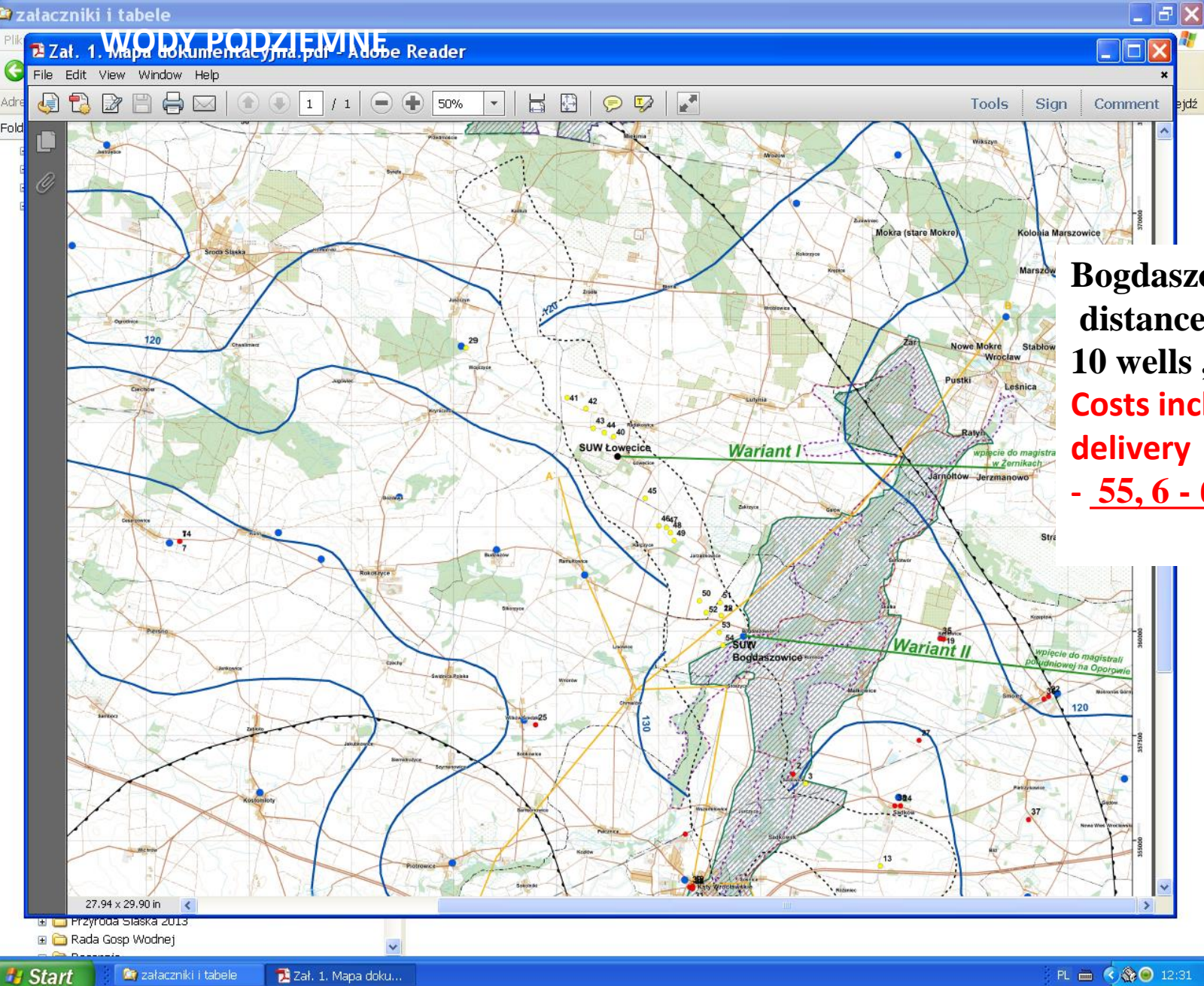
Over 12 timed higher water capacity and good water quality

Thickness and capacity of aquifers at Wrocław City and Bogdaszowice



- Osady przepuszczalne (Q)
- Osady słaboprzepuszczalne (Q)
- Osady przepuszczalne (Tr)
- Osady słaboprzepuszczalne (Tr)
- 120 Głębokość otworu
- 171 - numer Banku Hydro
- 123 - Położenie m.n.p.m

Hydrogeological cross-section illustrating high groundwater resources and depth to 120 m --Bogdaszowice buried valley



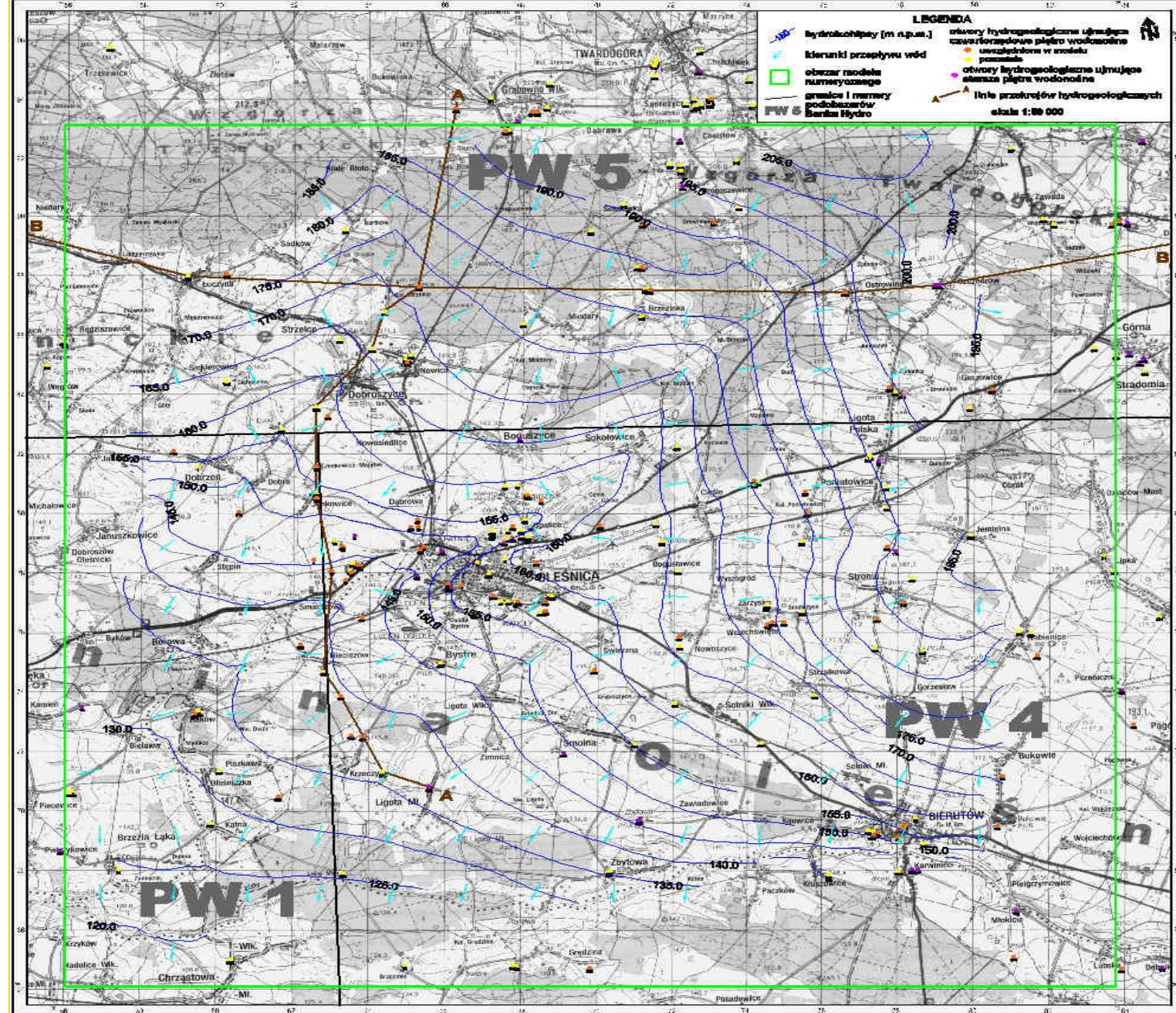
**Bogdaszowice groundwater intake - 20 000 m<sup>3</sup>/day,  
distance from the City – 10 km,  
10 wells , water treatment plant , pipelines  
Costs including construction , water treatmnt and  
delivery  
- 55, 6 - 64, 16 mln PLN or 13-15 milions Euro.**

## Groundwater chemical composition – Bogdaszowice case study

Wskaźnik	Jednostka	N	Średnia	Mediana	Minimum	Maksimum
pH	-	41	7,31	7,30	7,00	8,60
Mineralizacja og.	mg/l	39	437	381	289	800
PEW	μS/cm	26	618	677	288	1245
Mętność	NTU	18	3,2	1,8	0,0	25,0
Barwa	mgPt/l	18	11,1	10,0	3,0	20,0
Og. węgiel org.	mg/l	18	1,47	1,30	0,30	3,20
Temperatura	•C	11	11	11	10	13
Tlen rozp.	mg/l	5	6,02	5,56	2,40	9,96
Twardość og.	mgCaCO <sub>3</sub> /l	5	266	225	214	422
HCO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	mg/l	38	227,1	222,7	183,0	305,0
SO <sub>4</sub> <sup>2-</sup>	mg/l	38	68,14	39,75	7,04	222,00
Cl <sup>-</sup>	mg/l	40	29,83	15,87	3,13	346,00
NO <sub>2</sub> <sup>-</sup>	mg/l	42	0,019	0,010	0,000	0,226
NO <sub>3</sub> <sup>-</sup>	mg/l	42	2,313	0,266	0,000	53,700
NH <sub>4</sub> <sup>+</sup>	mg/l	39	0,165	0,077	0,012	1,290
HPO <sub>4</sub> <sup>3-</sup>	mg/l	37	0,674	0,535	0,030	3,720
F <sup>-</sup>	mg/l	34	0,2222	0,2000	0,0000	0,6800
SiO <sub>2</sub>	mg/l	3	14,7	15,4	12,7	16,0
Ca <sup>2+</sup>	mg/l	39	92,54	81,60	39,98	164,00
Mg <sup>2+</sup>	mg/l	40	11,59	11,78	4,06	23,10
Na <sup>+</sup>	mg/l	40	10,13	8,58	5,00	20,70
K <sup>+</sup>	mg/l	40	2,29	2,20	0,50	6,94
Fe og.	mg/l	41	1,427	1,400	0,010	3,991
Mn	mg/l	40	0,238	0,181	0,000	0,552
Zn	mg/l	23	0,0981	0,0200	0,0001	0,8700
Cr	mg/l	10	0,0058	0,0045	0,0004	0,0100
Cu	mg/l	25	0,0068	0,0050	0,0005	0,0420
Pb	mg/l	25	0,0100	0,0100	0,0001	0,0500
Sr	mg/l	3	0,1987	0,1075	0,1075	0,3810
Ba	mg/l	14	0,1066	0,1008	0,0500	0,2100
Al	mg/l	22	0,0386	0,0360	0,0009	0,1000



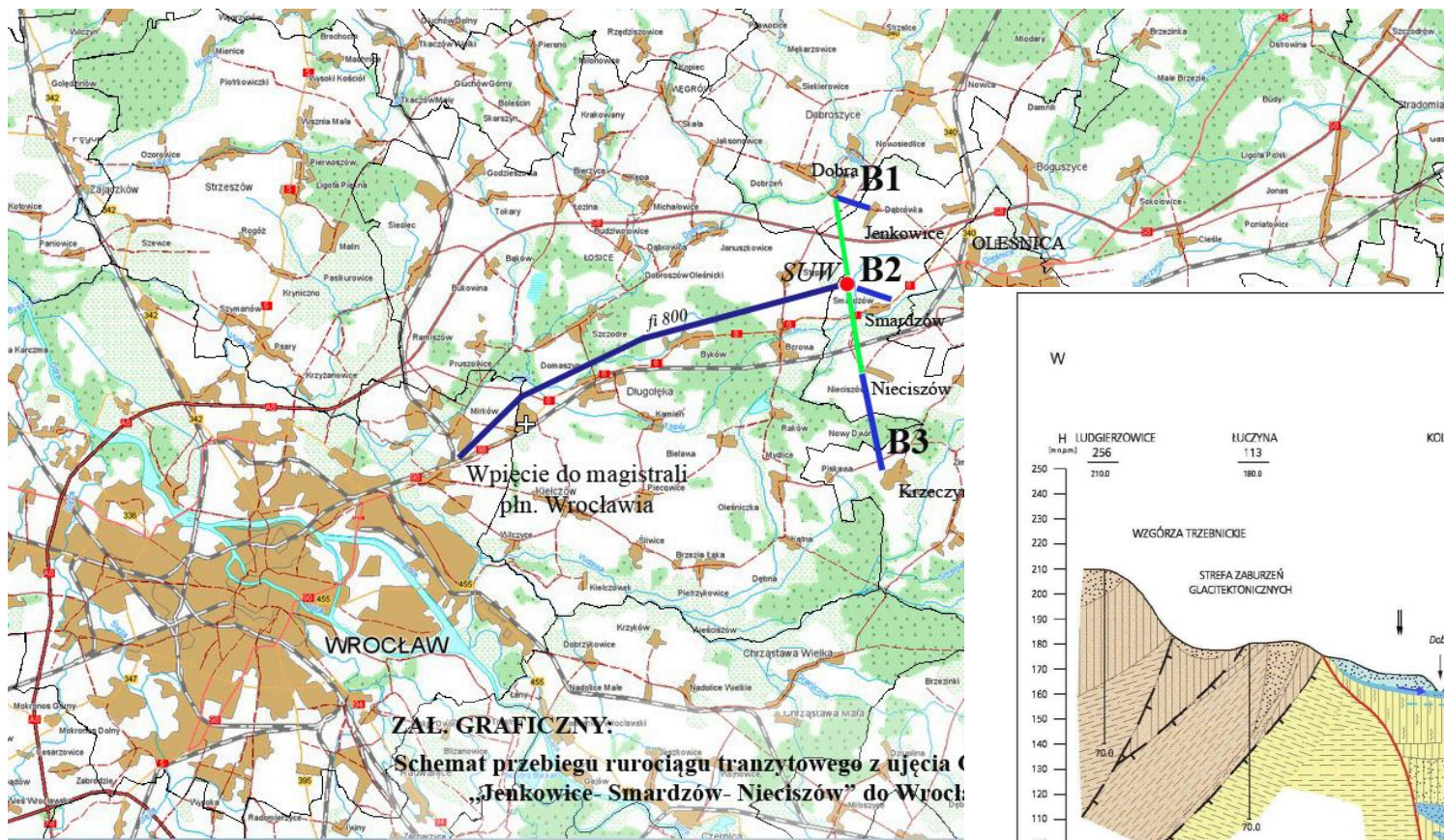
Groundwater modeling results proves high water resources and quality – Oleśnica case study.



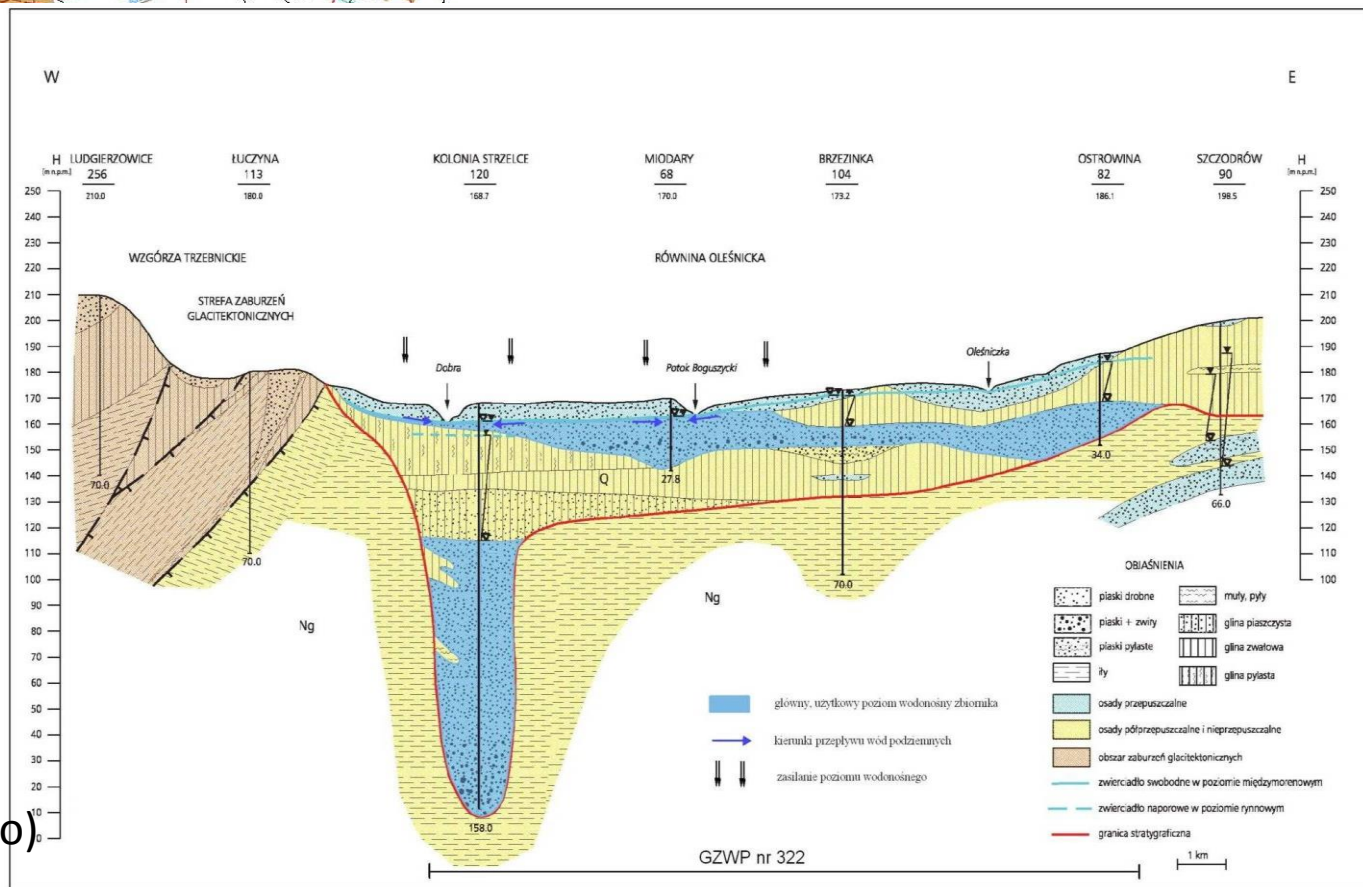
<b>TYTUŁ ZADANIA</b>	Analiza aktualnego stanu rozpoznania warunków hydrogeologicznych regionu wrocławskiego oraz wytypowanie źródeł wód podziemnych i struktur wodonośnych dla alternatywnego zaopatrzenia w wodę miasta Wrocławia
<b>GŁÓWNY WYKONAWCA</b>	Uniwersytet Wrocławski, Instytut Nauk Geologicznych
<b>TEMAT DOKUMENTACJI</b>	Masa dokumentacyjna struktury wodonośnej rejonu GZWP nr 322 "Oleśnica"



# Buried valley Oleśnica – Nieciszów, MGB 322 – distance from the City 12 km



**ZAL. GRAFICZNY:**  
**Schemat przebiegu rurociągu tranzytowego z ujęcia ( „Jenkowice- Smardzów- Nieciszów” do Wrocławia)**



Groundwater resources available -36 000 m<sup>3</sup>/d  
 Cost of water treatment plant and water delivery to the City -around 146 million PL zł ( 35 millions Euro)

## **Why groundwater ?**

- Well recognized and available in short distance for the Wrocław City**
- High quality and stable chemical composition**
- Naturally protected**
- Low vulnerability to pollution from land surface**
- Low cost of exploitation and treatment in comparison with surface water**



## Summary

*Existing over 100 years water supply system for the Wrocław City with artificial recharge cover huge area in the city and vicinity.*

*It base on surface water and infiltration part by ponds and it is expensive and vulnerable to flood and pollution.*

*Progress in geological survey in late 70- and 80 –thies XX century and discovery of high groundwater resources in aquifers near Wrocław City brings new option.*

*Base on documented groundwater resources of high quality it is recommended to include groundwater as a supplementary source of drinking water.*