



Dams in Ukraine

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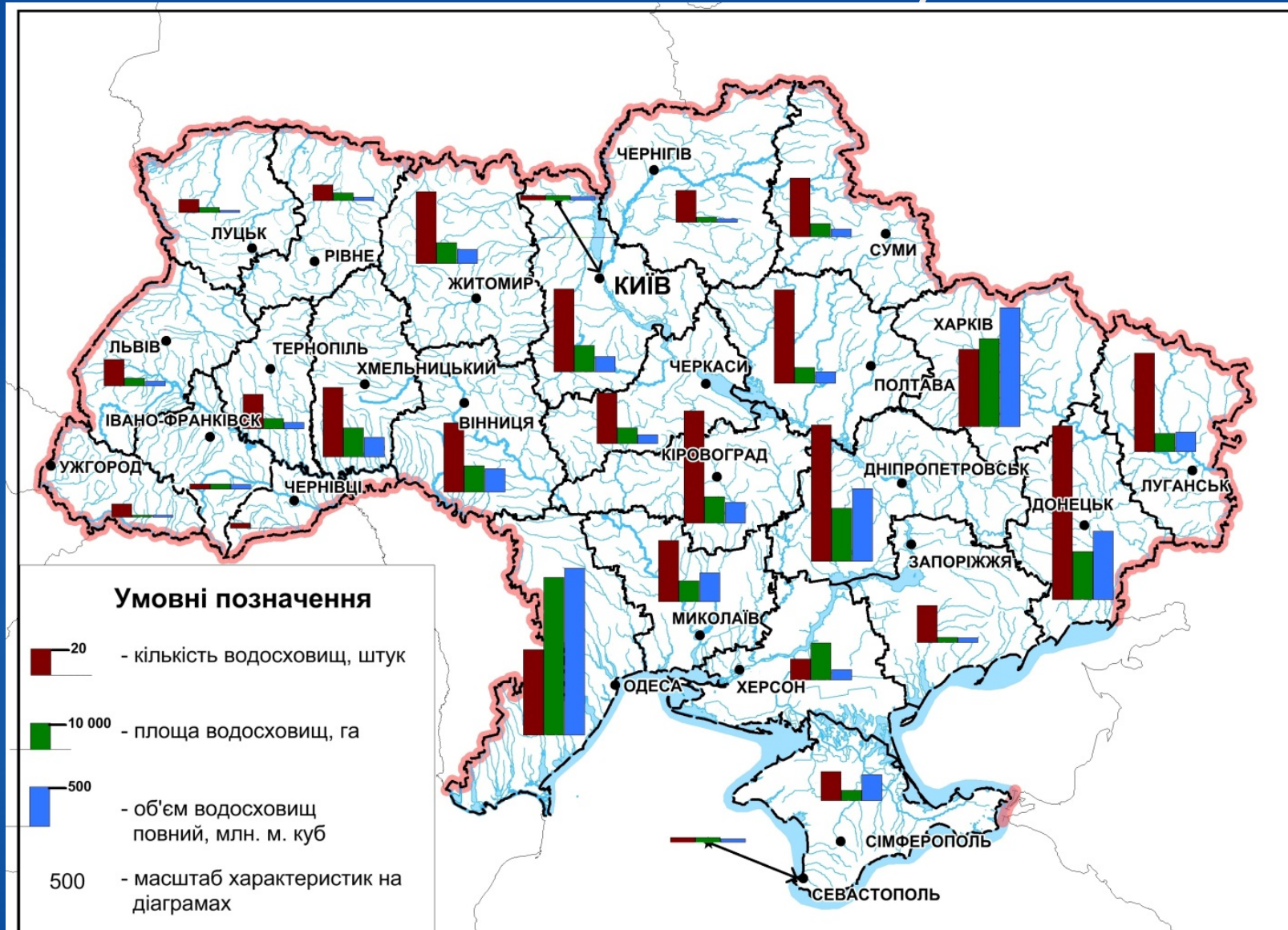


Territory, km2	603,628
Population, million	44.8
GPD per capita, current US\$	2,522

Ukraine: river system

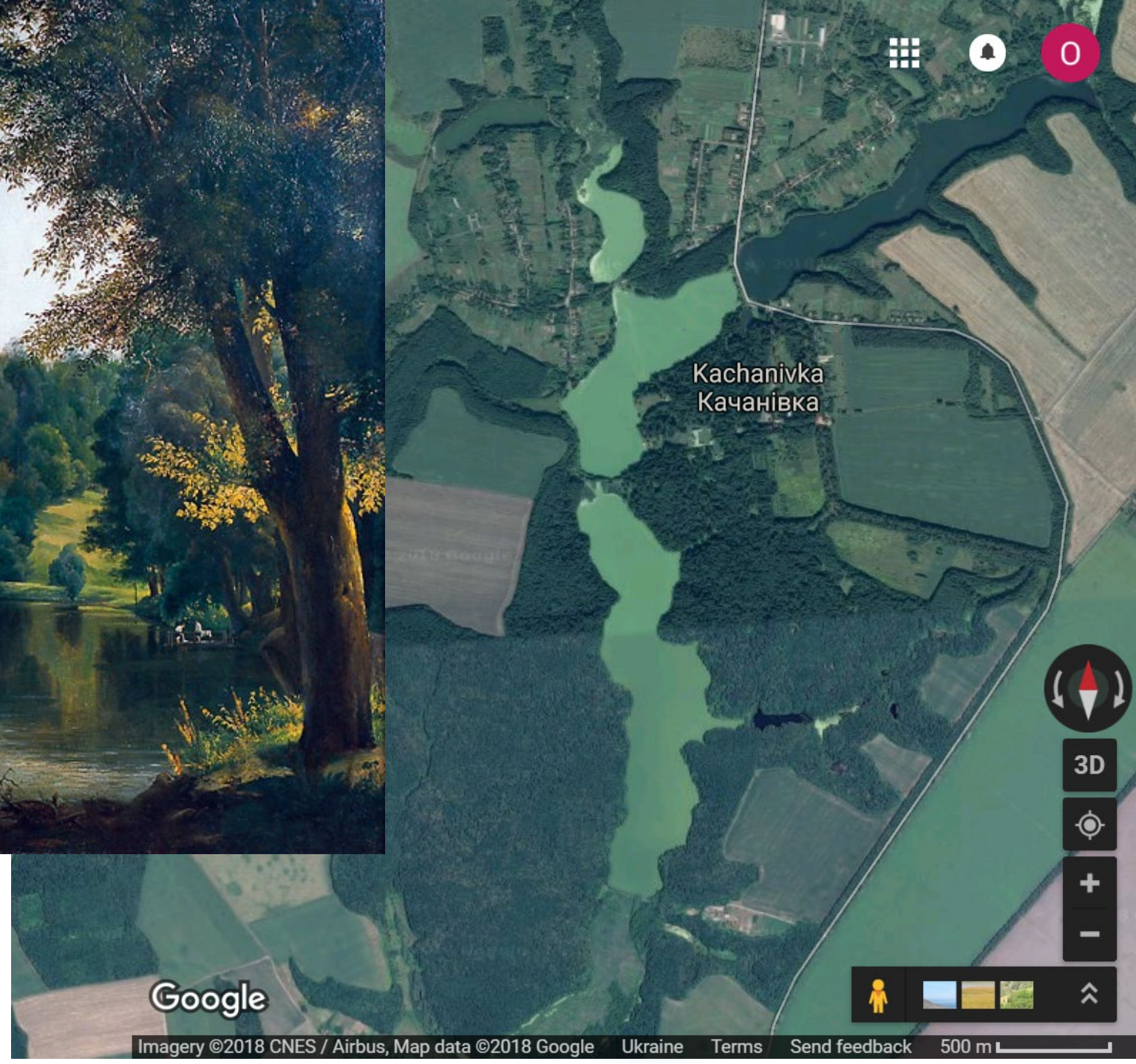
Major Rivers	9
Middle size rivers	81
Small rivers	63,029
Big water reservoirs	1,157
Small water reservoirs	28,900

Artificial water reservoirs (Dnieper and Dniester cascade not shown)



Dam situation is preconditioned by:

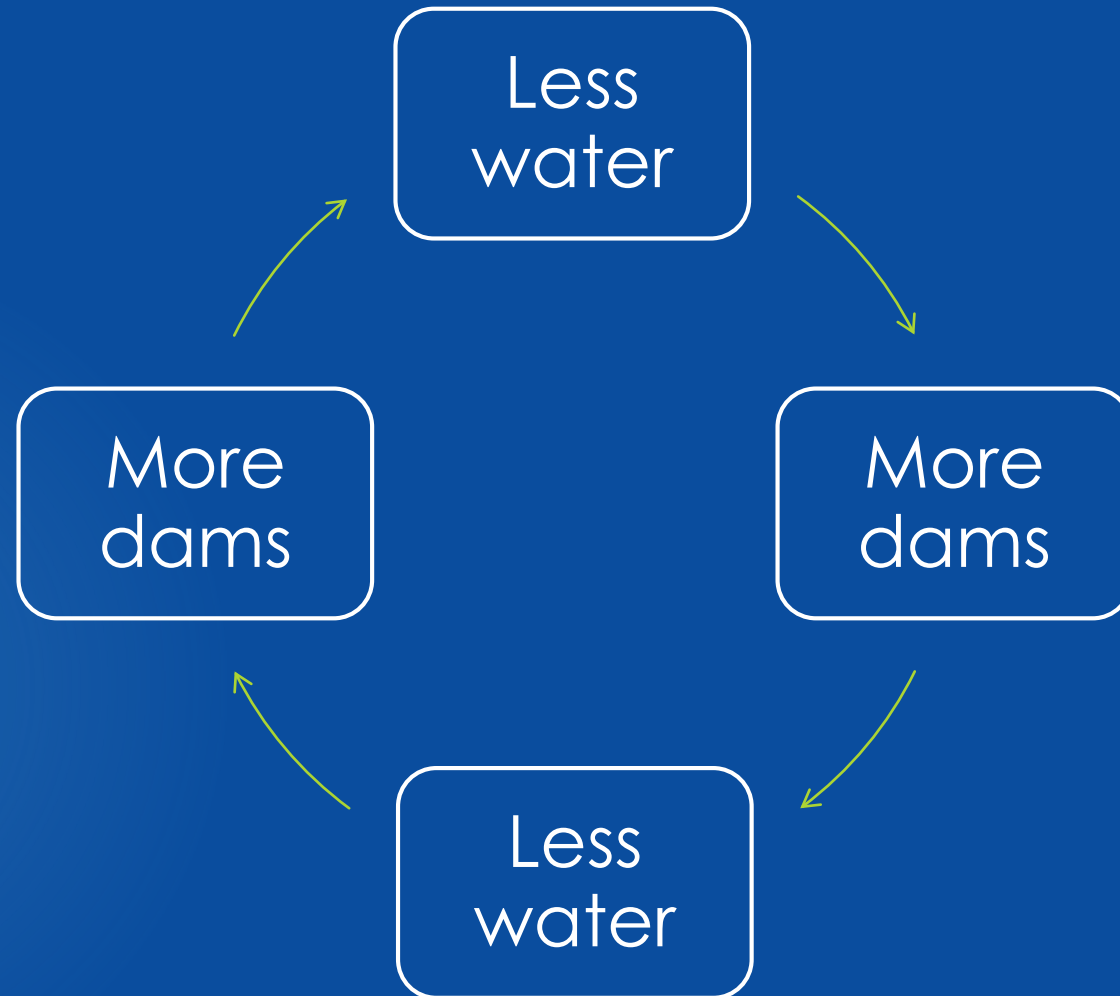
- ▶ Traditional livelihood and people's attitude
- ▶ Capacity of the State Water Agency and economic situation
- ▶ Leftovers of Soviet system
- ▶ Changing climate & development of agriculture



Left over from the Soviet Union

- ▶ According to the law, no dam can be private, as the results it's very likely that all the dams that are not functioning do not have any owners.
- ▶ As the results it will cost us a lot of money to:
 - ▶ Form governmental commission in every single case
 - ▶

Changing climate



What's we are doing

- ▶ Working on legal aspects
- ▶ Will start mapping with Barrier Tracker
- ▶ Got partnership with State Water Resource Agency in Ukraine
- ▶ Looking for a nice dam to start with (full support of community and local authorities with good restoration perspective)

Ermakov Isle

Before



After



Tataru Isle

Before



After



