The Potential of Drain and River Interception in Reducing Marine Litter

Preventing Plastic Waste Leakage
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- Interconnectedness between terrestrial and marine ecosystems
- Environmental Problems of Rivers
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  - Intercepted Tonnage
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- Summary
Plastic debris in the ocean: a multiplicity of sources and pathways
Interconnectedness between terrestrial and marine ecosystems

- Land and water are linked in a natural system called a **catchment**, which is literally the area of land that catches water and directs it to a stream, river, lake or ocean. In this way, a catchment is the land where water collects as it travels from **Source to Sea (S2S)**.
Environmental Problems of Rivers

- Rivers have also become the receiving water body for urban drainage systems. Therefore, it has become extremely difficult to separate river from the rest of the drainage system.
Sungai Klang Project

Total 56 km
Coverage & Interception

- Total coverage area 56km
  - MPK – 21km
  - MBSA – 20km
  - MBSJ – 9km
  - MBPJ - 6km

- 3 main Log Booms
  - Sg Pinang
  - Sg Kandis
  - Seksyen 23, Shah Alam

- 48 mini Log Booms
Operations

- **Machines:**
  - Excavator: 3
  - Boat: 5
  - Barge: 1
  - RORO: 5

- The operations runs 6 days a week
  - daily collection average of 40-45Mt
  - daily disposal 14 trips
Workflow

- Floating Waste
- Collection
- Transfer
- Disposal
Excavator Activities
Boat Activities
Mini Log Boom Activities
Intercepted Tonnage

TOTAL TONNAGE 2016
18,391 Mt

TOTAL TONNAGE 2017 (As at June)
8,561 Mt
Operational Challenges

- High/Low Tide
- Machinery Breakdown
- Boom Repairs
- Labour 3D Job
- Managing Community
Other Challenges

- Cross Jurisdiction
- Business Model
- Coordinating Body
- Residual Waste
- Recycling
Summary

- Interception at the drains and river network is successful
- The impact on diversion from ocean is direct
- The potential for replication is high
- Further study is required for economic viability and sustainability
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