





## Intakes / Intake Structures

The basic function of intake structure is to help in safely withdrawing water from the source and then to discharge this water in to the withdrawal conduit, through which it reaches the water treatment plant.

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- Site should be near the treatment plant to reduce conveyance cost.
- Intake must be located in the purer zone of the source so that the best quality water is withdrawn from source to reduce the load on the treatment plant.
- Intake must never be located near the vicinity of waste water disposal point.
- Intake **must never be located near the navigation channels** so as to reduce chances of pollution due to waste discharge from ships.













# Types of intakes

### Exposed Intake

• The Exposed intakes is in the form of well or tower constructed near the bank of river or in some cases even away from the bank of river. They are more common due to ease in operation and maintenance





- Openings are made in to the outer concrete shell as well as, in to the inside shaft.
- Gates are usually placed on the shaft, so as to control the flow of water in to the shaft and the withdrawal conduit.
- The water coming out of the withdrawal pipe maybe taken to pump house for lift (if treatment plant is at high elevation) or may be directly taken to treatment plant (at lower elevation).





#### Dry Intake Towers

- The water is directly drawn in to the withdrawal conduit through the gated entry ports.
- It has no water inside the tower if its gates are closed.
- When the entry ports are closed, a dry intake tower will be subjected to additional buoyant forces.
- Hence it must be of heavier construction than wet intake tower.
- They are useful since water can be withdrawn from any selected level of the reservoir by opening the port at that level.

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#### Canal Intakes

• A nearby Irrigation Canal can be used as the source of water. The Intake Well is generally located in the bank of the Canal. Since water level is more or less constant there is no need of providing inlets at different depth. It essentially consist of concrete or masonry intake chamber or well.

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- When the flow in the river is not guaranteed throughout the year, a dam is constructed across the river to store the water in the reservoir so formed.
- Reservoir Intakes essentially consists of an Intake tower constructed on the slope of Dam at such a place where Intake can draw water in sufficient quantity even in the driest period. Intake pipes are fixed at different levels, so as to draw water near the surface in all variations of water levels.



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- These Intakes are constructed in the bed of lake below the low water level so as to draw water even in dry season.
- It mainly consist of a pipe laid in the bed of the lake. One end of the pipe which is in middle of the lake is fitted with bell mouth opening covered with a mesh and protected timber or concrete crib.
- The water enters in the pipe through the bell mouth opening and flows under gravity to the bank whereit is collected in a sump well and then pumped to the treatment plant for necessary treatment.



