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## **Description**

Triq Garibaldi is an artificially constructed reservoir, intended for irrigation, water storage and flood prevention, located in southern Malta within Paola. The reservoir is made of cement and covers an approximate area of 1,160m2. The site is accessible to the public by a surfaced road, however, the reservoir itself is fenced off. The reservoir lies alongside an abandoned building and is close to other buildings to the north and east, while to the west lies a surfaced road and to the south lies active agricultural fields. Numerous culverts are present redirecting water from the road and from nearby fields into the reservoir, and pipelines are visible exiting onto nearby fields indicating that the reservoir is being used for irrigation of these fields. The site is located in a Strategic Open Gap.

### **General information**

| Basic information                                |                                |
|--|--------------------------------|
| Wetland location:                                | Inland                         |
| Wetland type:                                    | Artificial                     |
| Natural / Artificial:                            | Concrete reservoir             |
| Area (Ha):                                       | 0.10                           |
| Hydrological interaction with other wetland:     | No -                           |
| Water salinity:                                  | Fresh (< 0.5 g/l)              |
| Fresh water entry:                               | Catchment area (precipitation) |
| Surface water runoff:                            | Outflow controlled by pipeline |
| Open water area (%):                             | > 95                           |
| Hydroperiod:                                     | Permanent                      |
|  |                                |
| Geographic information                           |                                |
| Census district:                                 | Southern Harbour               |
| Island:  | Malta                          |
| Local council:                                   | Paola                          |
| Coordinates (WGS84):                             | 14.496230 E - 35.863710 N      |
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| Biological significance                          |                                |
| Biological significance Biological significance: | Low                            |
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### Ramsar type

Coverage (%) 6 -- Water storage areas; reservoirs/barrages/dams/impoundments (generally over 8 ha)

#### **Property status**

Private

# **Protection statuses & other designations**

# **Ecosystem Services, Activities & Impacts**

#### **Ecosystem Services**

| Type of Ecosystem service | Ecosystem service | Scale of Benefit | Importance |
|---------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------|
| Provisioning services     | Fresh water       |                  |            |

#### **Activities on wetland**

| Activities                  | Intensity |
|-----------------------------|-----------|
| 020 = Resource conservation | High      |
| 130 = Irrigation            | Low       |
| 701 = water pollution       | Low       |

### **Activities on drainage basin**

| Activities                       | Intensity |
|----------------------------------|-----------|
| 100 = Cultivation                | Low       |
| 110 = Use of pesticides          | Low       |
| 120 = Fertilisation              | Low       |
| 130 = Irrigation                 | Low       |
| 402 = discontinuous urbanisation | Low       |
| 430 = Agricultural structures    | Medium    |
| 440 = Storage of materials       | Low       |
| 502 = roads motorways            | High      |
| 701 = water pollution            | Low       |

#### **Impacts**

| Impact type                                | Intensity |
|--|-----------|
| EE- = Increase of economic potential       |           |
| ES- = Increase in water supply             |           |
| PF- = Fertilizer/Excess nutrient pollution |           |
| PP- = Pesticide pollution                  |           |

# **Habitats & Vegetation**

#### **Vegetation types**

| Vegetation type | Coverage (%) |
|-----------------|--------------|
| Other           | < 5          |

## **Species**

#### References

# Representative Image & Map



