THE PROBLEMS OF THE SYBERIAN HYDRO POWER STATIONS EXPLOITATION

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The accident of the Sayano-Shushenskaya HPS showed us, that all the possible situations and the causes of possible damages should be considered while planning, building and exploitation of HPS.

The international commission of large dikes (ICLD) carried out a global selection of the information on the dikes destruction that displayed the growth of attention to the estimation of dikes safety. However, the attached data say that about 20% of dikes, built within the last three decades, do not have the estimation of their safety.

Unfortunately, in the ICLD report and scientific publications, a water pool is usually considered as a water storage reservoir, though according to the capital costs for its building and preparing to being filled and nature protective measures they make up to 20-50 % of the sum hydrocomplex costs.

The peculiarity of building large HPS in Syberia is that water pools are created on forestcovered territories with a deposit of wood-bushes vegetation of app. 200 m³ for a hectare.

Water pools that were created in forestcovered area became not only transport arteries with new morphological characteristics, but also the sources of active impact on nature.

The economic inexpediency of wood-cutting measures on areas with conifer wood deposits less than 50 m³ for a hectare that was defined on the planning stage served as a cause of the refusal of these measures and planned bed flooding on Sayano-Shusheskoe, Krasnoyarskoye, and Kureiskoe water pools with sum volume of 2,85 millions m³. Beds of Ust-Ilimskoe and Bratskoe water pools with sum volume of 5,6 million m³ were planned to be flooded for the same reason. In the bed of Boguchan water pool 2,2 million m³ is planned to be flooded. Thus, the planned volume of wood flooding in HPS beds of Angar-Eniseyevskyi region (AER) was supposed to be 10,65 million m³. However, the real volume of flooded wood is significantly bigger. In the Krasnoyrskaya HPS water pool bed 0,47 million m³ was flooded, in Kureyskava HPS - 1,72 million m³, in Sayano-Shushenskaya HPS – 3,5 million m³, in Bratskaya HPS - 12,0 million m³, in Ust-Ilimskaya HPS -

5 million m³. Thus, 22,69 million m³ were flooded in the AER water pools beds. Considering the flooding volume of in the Boguchanskaya HPS water pool bed planning of 2,0 million m³ the sum volume of flooded wood is 24,69 million m³.

Floating and flooded wood has a relatively low impact on the water quality of the water pool (3-5% of the total pollution volume). However, its accumulation in bays, by coastlines, and in river mouth areas can provoke the creation of stagnant areas with a acute alteration of hydro-chemical composition. Small depths in the mentioned water poll areas, the increase in its temperature, and its pollution by biogenic and organic wood substances create favourable condition for the emerging of blue-green algae that leads to the worsening of gas content etc.

A complicated ecological situation in the majority of Russian region made the problems of management and rational usage of water and wood resources that provide for a normal human vital functions and stable functioning of natural environment the most important one.

The flooded wood is the one of extremely poor quality, it is not in demand, and its physicalmechanical qualities are lower than those of dampgrowing wood. The collection and production of flooded wood are unprofitable and the technology of its processing is low-productive. But, considering that the floating wood can be a great threat to HPS, has a great impact on the water quality, and lower the recreation attraction of the water pool, measures aimed for the water area cleaning should be systematically carried out, as the process of paddling wood deposit replenishment is continious.

The cleaning of water pools and rivers from the flooded and floating wood mass is a complicated technological process that requires a number of researches:

• natural inspection of floating wood and wood junk accumulation areas with the definition of fraction and qualitative content analysis of wood that has been carried along the shore and is floating within water pool;

• the preparation of wood deposits in river bays and on the coast;

• the implementation of qualitative-chemical water analysis in areas of floating wood concentration;

• the development of technologies and technological measures of wood gathering and removal;

• theoretical estimation of the concentrated wood werehousing impact on the environment;

• the definition of product composition, that can be obtained from floating wood, and possible ways of its realization.

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