| Opportunities for<br>participatory data<br>collection | Yes.  |  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|--|
| Additional information                                |   |  |  |  |
| References  | Gonzalez-Ollauri. A., Stokes, A., Mickovski, S.B., 2020. A novel<br>framework to study the effect of tree architectural traits on<br>stemflow yield and its consequences for soil-water<br>dynamics. Journal of Hydrology, 582 (124448) |  |  |  |

## 6.32 Level of Groundwater Table

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| Ground water table level             |  | Natural and Climate Hazards   |  |  |
|--------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|
| Description and justification        | Depth below ground surface at which the ground water<br>exists. Higher levels cause more instability, lower levels<br>increase strength and resistance to erosion and landslides.  |   |  |  |
| Definition                           | The amount of water in storage in the monitored aquifer.<br>When recharge exceeds natural discharge plus abstraction,<br>groundwater levels rise. When recharge is less than natural<br>discharge plus abstraction, groundwater levels fall. |   |  |  |
| Strengths and weaknesses             |  | t methods exist; cartographic<br>redict depth of water table<br>e investigation is needed |  |  |
| Measurement<br>procedure and<br>tool | Trial pits or boreholes exc<br>measurement/monitoring<br>dipmeter / piezometer   | avated and carried out in situ using a  |  |  |
| Scale of measurement                 | Micro / point measuremer   | nt  |  |  |
| Data source                          |  |   |  |  |
| Required data                        | Levels [m] below ground surface  |   |  |  |
| Data input type                      | Height [m] above datum   |   |  |  |
| Data collection<br>frequency         | Periodic, continuous   |   |  |  |
| Level of<br>expertise<br>required    | Low  |   |  |  |

| Synergies with other indicators                       | Soil strength, soil type, aggregate stability, soil matric suction, plant evapotranspiration  |  |  |
|---|---|--|--|
| Connection with SDGs                                  | 11, 13, 15, 17  |  |  |
| Opportunities for<br>participatory<br>data collection | Yes.  |  |  |
| Additional information                                |   |  |  |
| References  | <ul> <li>Gonzalez-Ollauri, A. and Mickovski, S.B., 2017. Hydrological effect<br/>of vegetation against rainfall-induced landslides. Journal of<br/>Hydrology, 549 (374–387)</li> <li>White, B., Ogilvie, J., Campbell, D.M.H., Hiltz, D., Gauthier, B.,<br/>Chisholm, H.K.H., Wen, H.K., Murphy, N.C., Arp, P.A., 2012.<br/>Using the cartographic depth-to-water index to locate small<br/>streams and associated wet areas across landscapes. Can.<br/>Water Resour. J. 37 (4), 333–347.</li> </ul> |  |  |

## 6.33 Shallow landslide risk – slope stability factor of safety

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| Slope instability risk (factor of safety) |   | Natural and Climate Hazards   |
|---|---|---|
| Description and justification             | The engineering stability of slopes is based on calculation<br>of a factor of safety, where FoS=1 denotes a failing slope,<br>FoS<1 unstable slope, while FoS>1 a stable slope. The<br>calculation is based on Limit Equilibrium of forces and<br>overturning moments acting on a limited mass of soil. |   |
| Definition                                | A ratio between the stabilising and destabilising forces/moments acting on a limited mass of soil.  |   |
| Strengths and weaknesses                  | <ul> <li>+: number of standardised methods and approaches exist;<br/>software for calculation exists</li> <li>-: the factor is based on a 2D analysis of a cross-section of<br/>a slope and potential local variations in the soil/water<br/>properties can affect it.</li> </ul>                       |   |
| Measurement<br>procedure and<br>tool      | entering a closed mathem<br>Commercial and free soft  | s need to be derived before<br>aatical solution for computation.<br>ware exists for calculation and<br>ased on methods and approaches |