

WORK OF RIVER



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WHAT IS A RIVER ???

- According to *Encyclopedia*:- “A River is a ribbon-like body of water that flows downhill from the force of gravity.”
- According to *Wikipedia*:- “A river is a natural flowing watercourse, usually freshwater, flowing towards an ocean, sea, lake or another river.”
- A flowing body of water that is smaller than a river is called a **stream, creek, or brook.**
- All rivers have a starting point where water begins its flow its called *Origen of River*. This source is called a headwater.
- The other end of a river is called its *Mouth*, where water empties into a larger body of water, such as a lake or ocean.

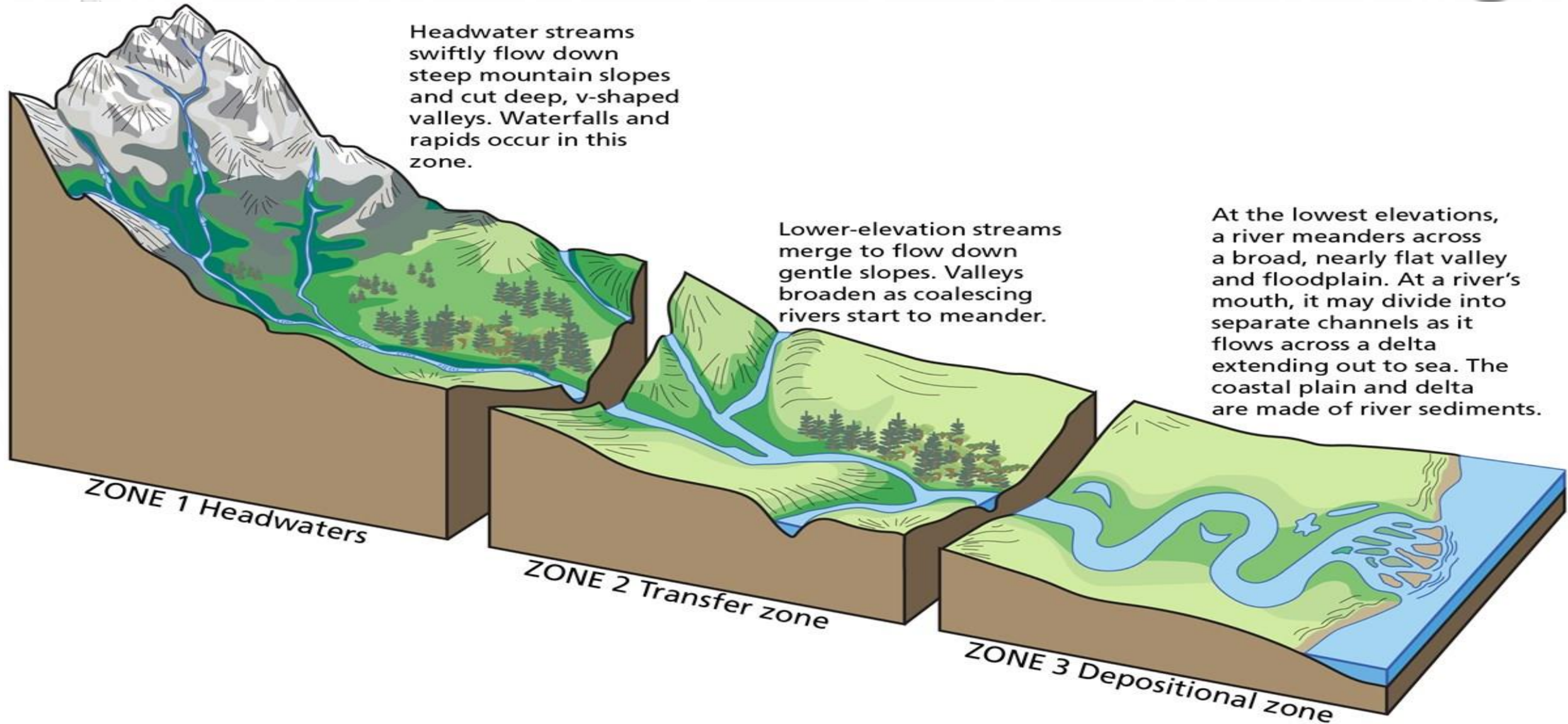
There are three main types of processes that occur in a river.

- Erosion
- Transportation
- Deposition

Factors affecting on Erosion of river

1. Velocity of the River
2. The volume of the water
3. The nature of the land
4. The amount of the load of the river
5. The nature of rock

STAGES OF RIVER



Gorge



Steep Valley Sides

Large Bedload

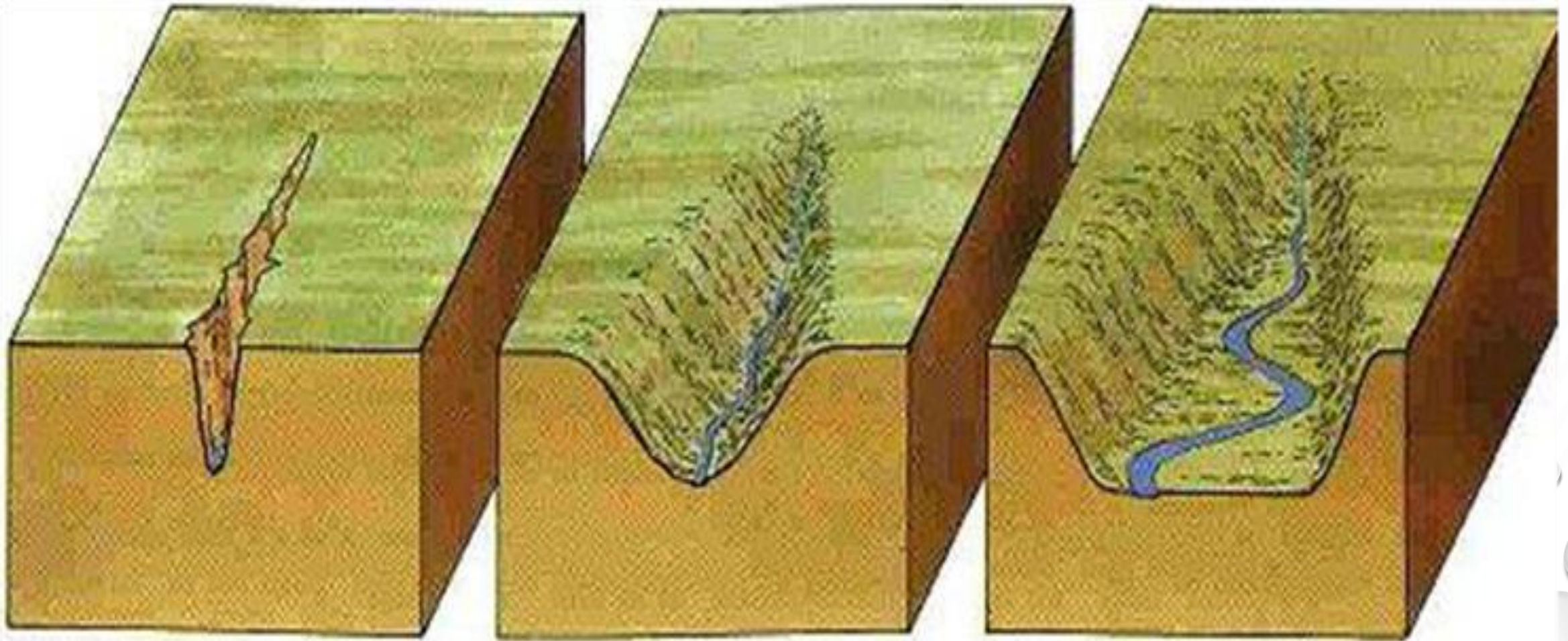
Valley Floor (often containing a river) – Narrow and Shallow

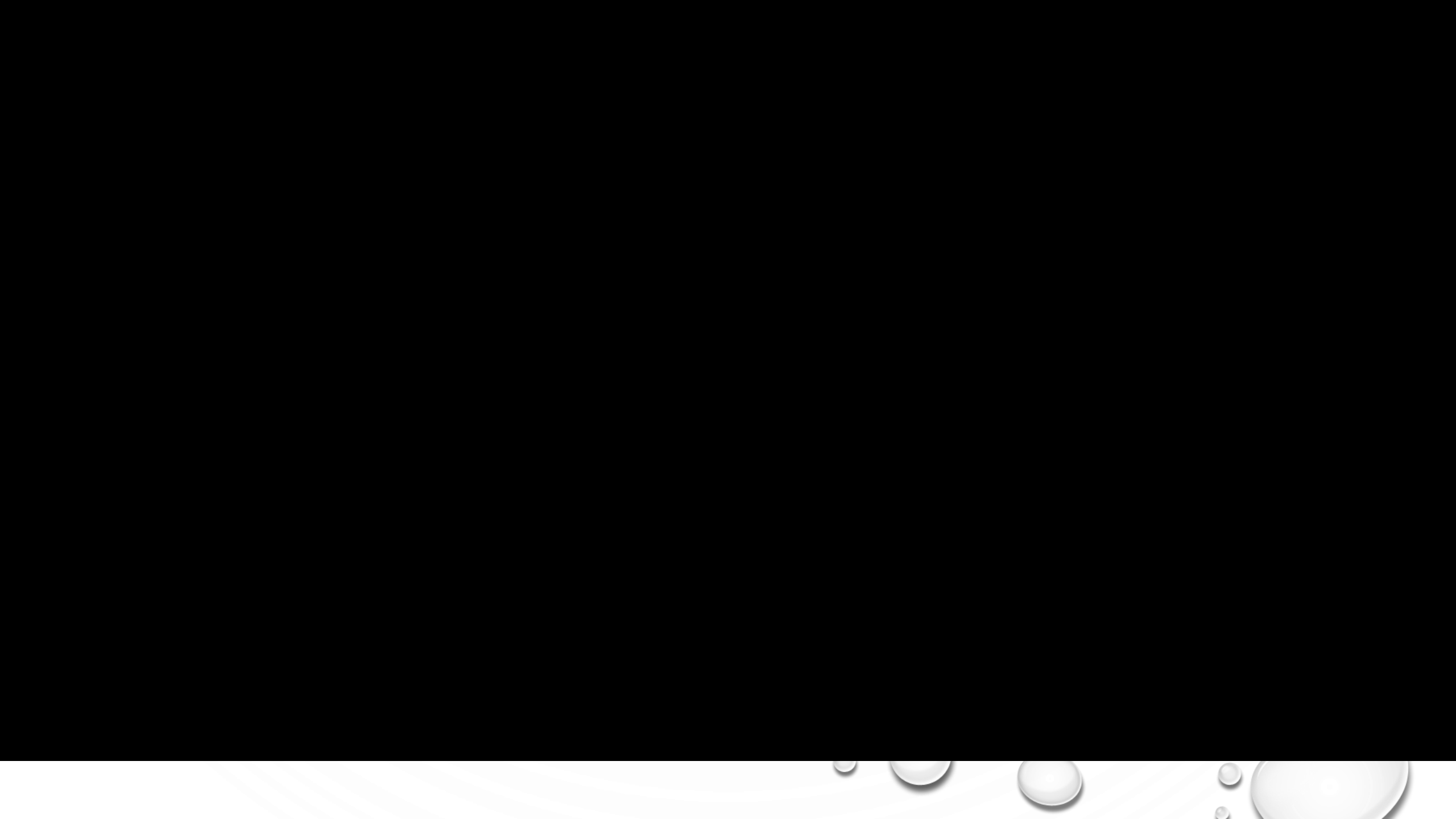


This is Hell Gill waterfall, which is situated at the source of the River Eden

Erosional Landforms of River

- 'V' shaped Valley





River Features

Formation of
V shaped valleys

Rapid



Resistant rock



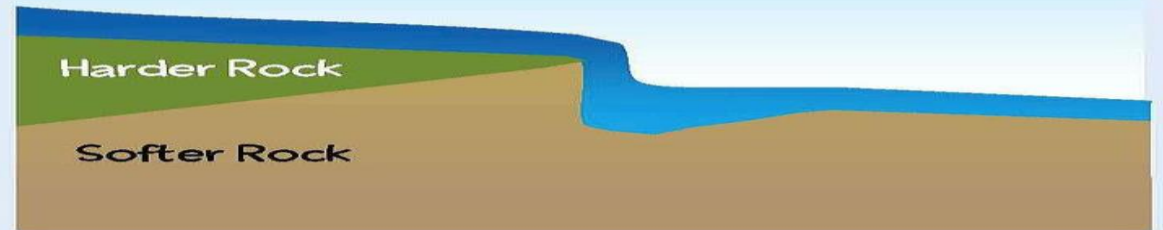
Less resistant rock

Waterfall

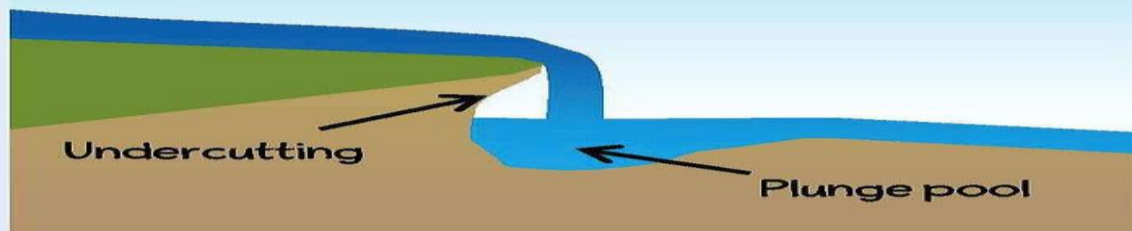
- 1 Waterfalls are formed when a river flows over a layer of harder rock followed by a layer of softer rock.



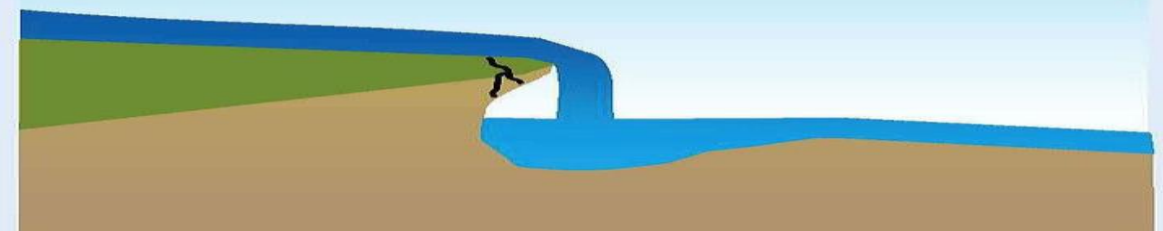
- 2 The soft rock erodes more quickly forming a step in the river bed.



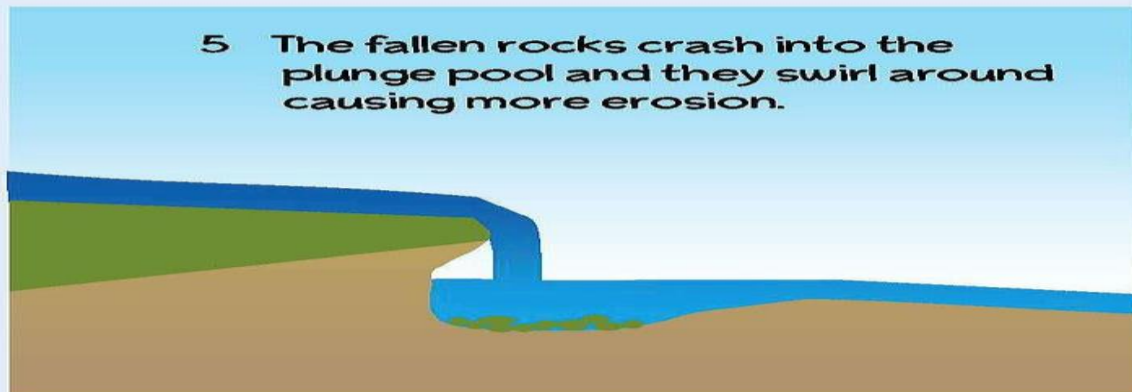
- 3 The force of the water undercuts the hard rock and creates a plunge pool.



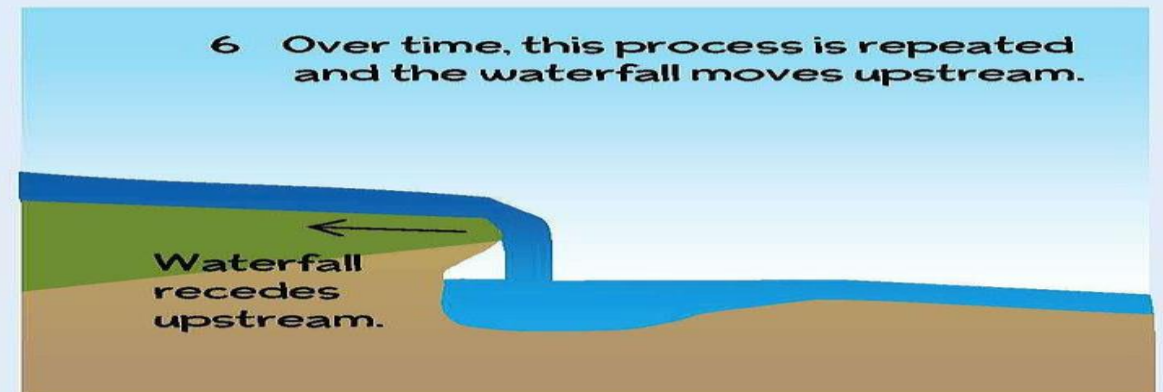
- 4 The hard rock is left overhanging and because it isn't supported, it eventually collapses.



- 5 The fallen rocks crash into the plunge pool and they swirl around causing more erosion.

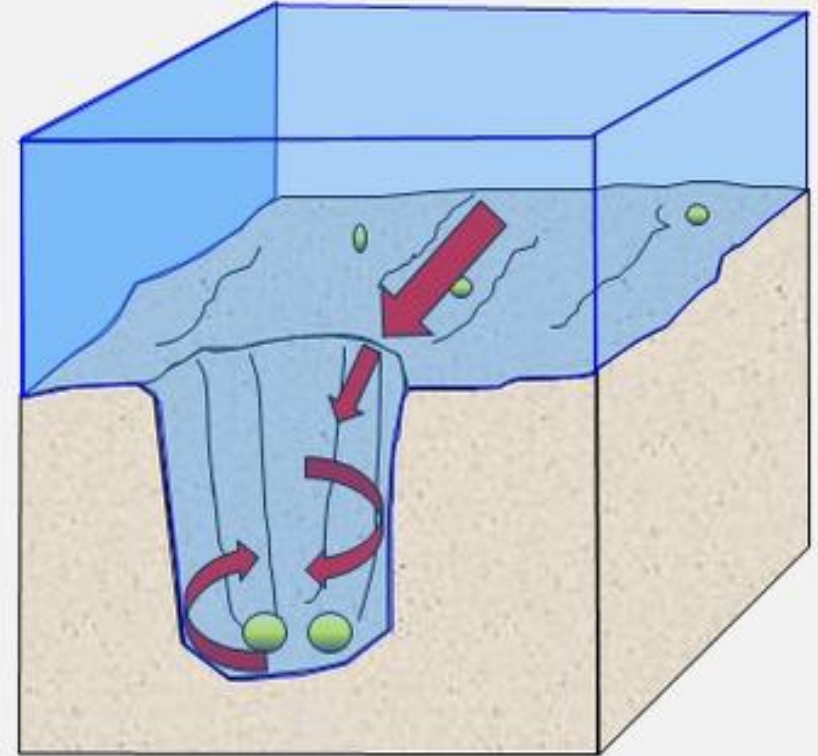
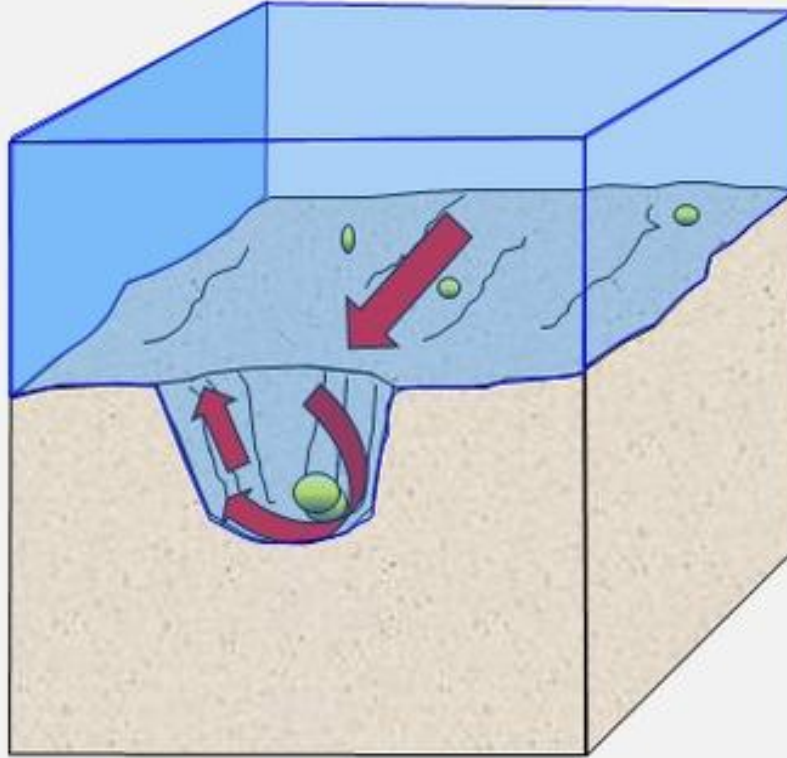
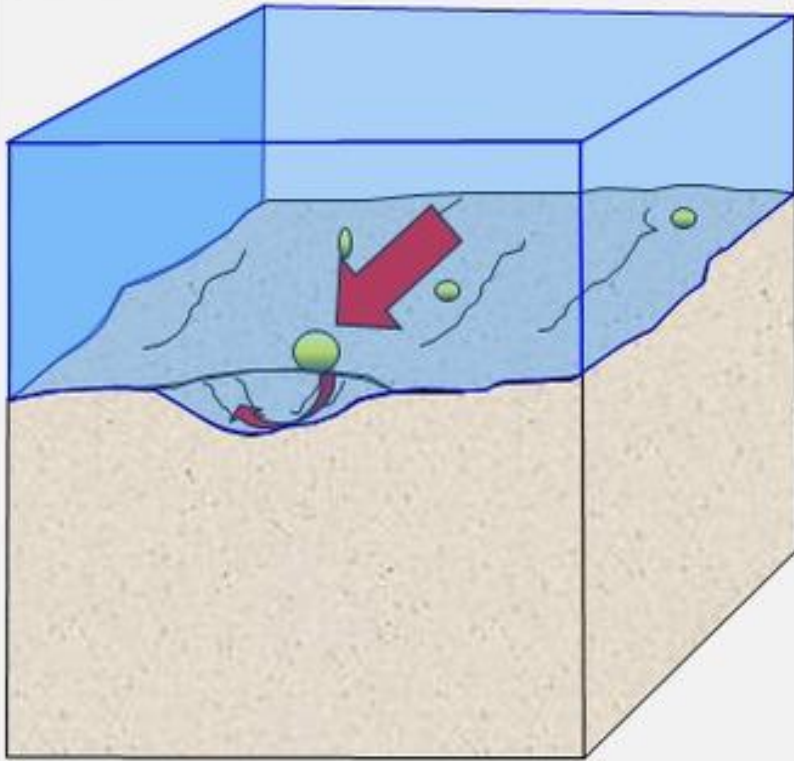


- 6 Over time, this process is repeated and the waterfall moves upstream.



Pot holes

How Potholes are created







Depositional Landforms of River

Meander and Ox-Bow lake



MEANDERS

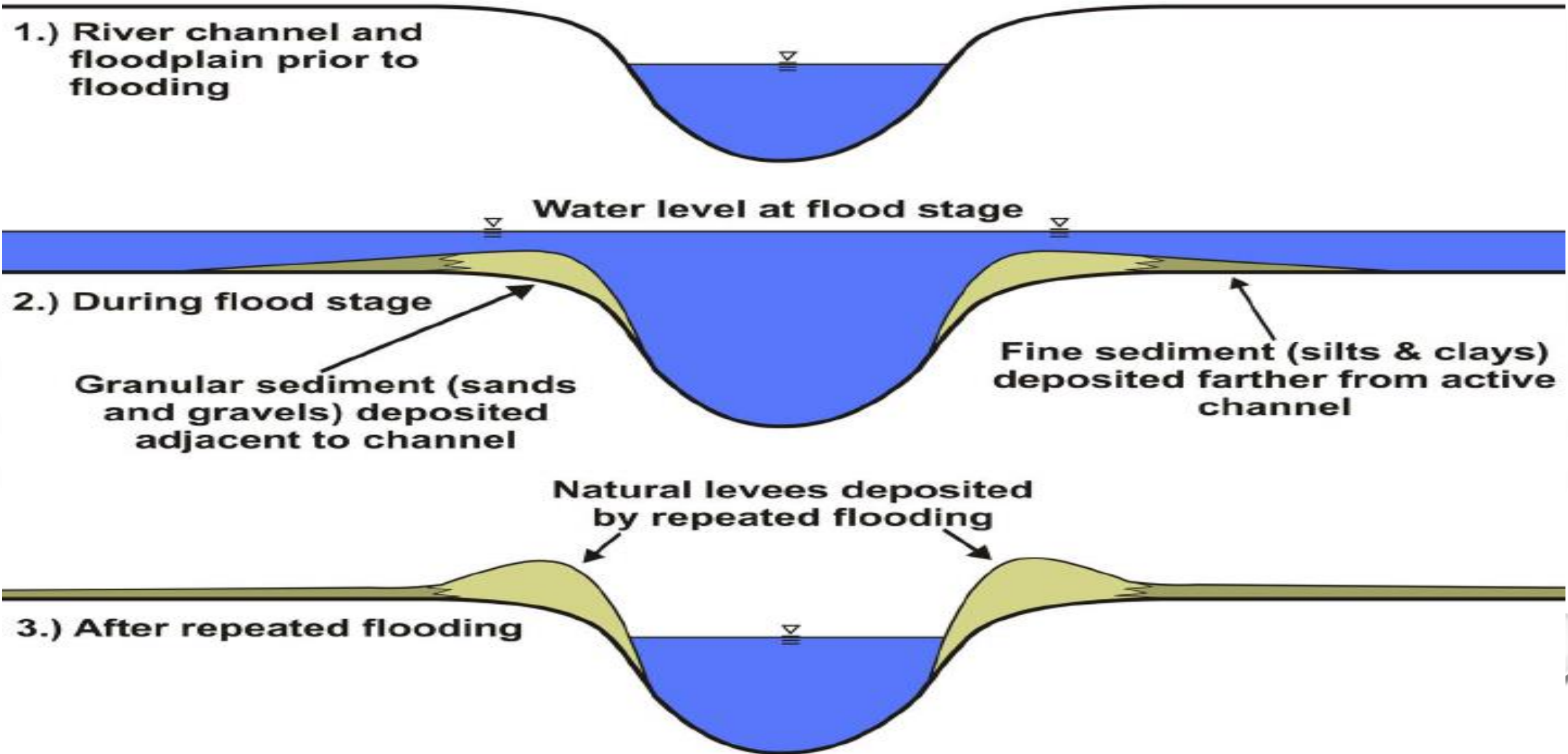


Minute
Earth

River Features

Meanders &
Oxbow lakes

Flood Plain and Levees



Deltas



A sand table model of a river delta. A central channel of water flows from the bottom towards the top, where it branches out into a delta shape. The land is represented by brown sand. Several small toy vehicles, including a yellow and white truck and a yellow and black car, are placed on the sand. The background is a dark grey surface.

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