

Evaluation of measures for hydropower flexibility reduction due to environmental constraints

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Minimum bypass

Minimum reservoir level

Minimum discharge









No restriction AuraNorthConnect_mag85prosentHard restriction - 350 0.8 - 300 - 250 -200 V/K/NP 0.6 GWh 0.4 - 100 0.2 - 50 - 0 Pris 0.0 50000 100000 150000 200000 250000 0 Hours

Production in AuraNorthConnect averaged over 4 weeks, sorted by price



Measuring the impact of environmental constraints on hydropower flexibility



Flexibility factor

$$F=rac{\pi^{*}}{\overline{\pi}}$$

































SOKNA	85% limit Stop discharge	85% limit Minimum reservoir
Storage capacity [GWh]	71.38	122.95
Power capacity [MW]	21.10	33.97
Net Income [MNOK]	16.39	188.90
Duration time [h]	2771.0	2874.7
AURA		
Storage capacity [GWh]	469.73	967.15
Power capacity [MW]	198.90	159.61
Net Income [MNOK]	648.57	2710.14
Duration time [h]	2042.7	4205.9



SOKNA	Average price [NOK/kWh]	Produced Hydropower [GWh]	Net Income [Mkr]	income/ production	Flexfactor
no restriction	0.35900	318.9	136.15	0.42692	1.18920
85% limit stop discharge	0.35900	318.3	135.45	0.42555	1.18539
85% limit minimum reservoir	0.35900	310.7	126.98	0.40870	1.13845

AURA	Average price [NOK/kWh]	Produced Hydropower [GWh]	Net Income [Mkr]	income/ production	Flexfactor
no restriction	0.35900	1661.00	702.19	0.42275	1.17759
85% limit stop discharge	0.35900	1581.40	671.33	0.42452	1.18250
85% limit minimum reservoir	0.35900	1486.10	568.37	0.38246	1.06534

$$F = \frac{\pi^*}{\overline{\pi}}$$



Storage capacity [GWh]		
Duration time [h]	\frown	
Power capacity [MW]		
 Net income from flexibility storage [MNOK] 		

- 3 parameters describes the flexibility
- Change in the flexibility



- Size of the flexibility
- Snapshot
- Easy to compare, but maybe not understand









