

**Situational Report  
Flood and Landslide in Morowali District,  
Central Sulawesi Province  
Updated: 25 Juli 2007**



**Informasi umum wilayah**

Morowali District was extended from Poso District, based on National Act No.51 Tahun 1999.

District Boundaries:

North: Poso District and Banggai District.

South: South Sulawesi Province and Southeast Sulawesi Province

East : Tolo Bay.

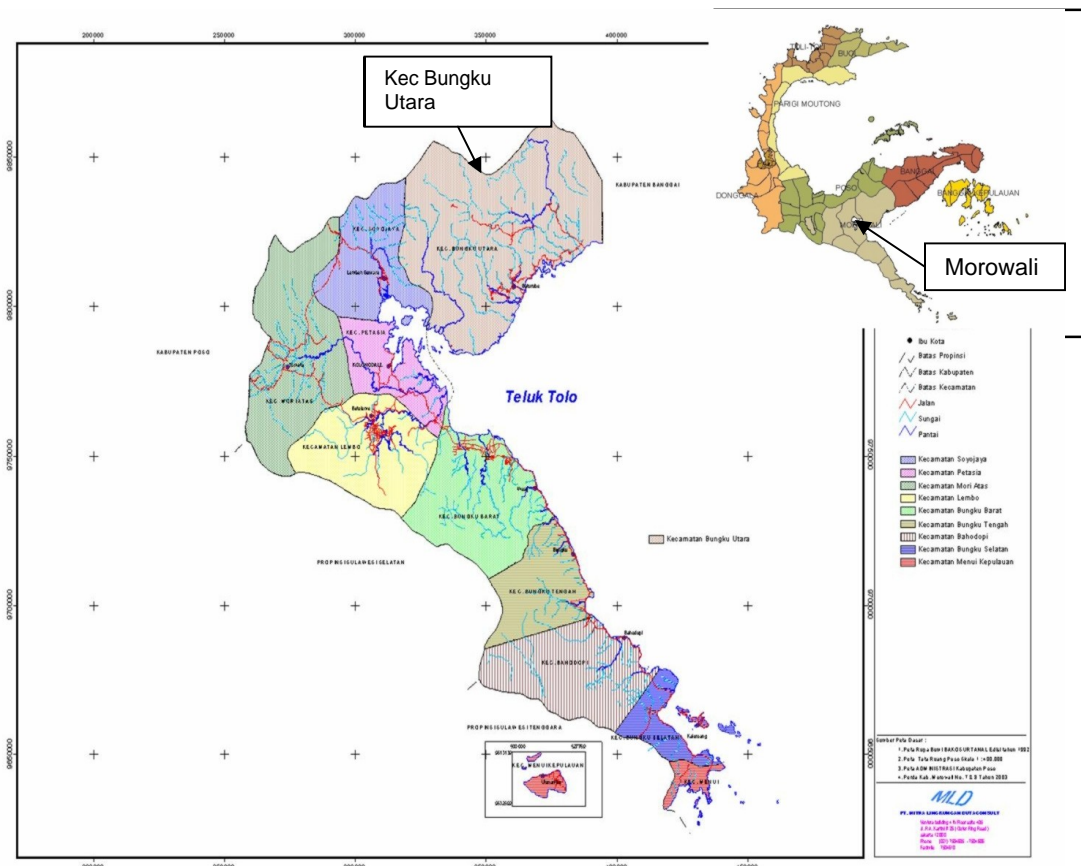
West : Poso District and South Sulawesi Province

Area coverage = 45.453 km<sup>2</sup>, consists of:

- Land = 15.490,12 km<sup>2</sup>
- Sea = 29.962,88 km<sup>2</sup>.

Administratively, the district consists of:

- 13 Subdistricts,
- 229 Villages
- 10 urban



## **Disaster Impac**

Continous raining which still falling until now, caused flood and landslide impacted on human losses and material damages and lossess. Flood and landslide has happened since Sunday, 22th July 2007.

The worst affected area is Bungku Utara sub disctrict. Tentative information mentioned that 15 villages are affected. However information are changing, and currently we got only 14 villages names:

1. Desa Batu rube (Ibukota Kecamatan)
2. Tirngan atas
3. Kalombang
4. Tokala bawah
5. Wewau
6. Uwemasi
7. Womparigi
8. Tambaro bone
9. Posangke
10. Taranggo
11. UPT transmigrasi
12. Desa Opo
13. Desa Lemo
14. Desa Talubiru

- The last three villages are still isolated (can't be accessed from subdistrict center) due to transportation condition.
- Human loss are still uncertain. The range figure is between 50 to 80 persons
- Flood came from Ulubongka, Salato, Morowali rivers. When affected people evacuated to nearby hills, they were trapped by landslide and caused more human losses.
- Tentative information mentioned that houses were drawn, water level reach up to 3 metres hight. People are trapped in higher areas around disaster locations.

## **Accessibility**

The disaster area are hardly accessed, both from distric center and from subdistrict center, due to destruction on road and high sea waves.

### Transportation and its condition

1. From Palu (Province capital) to Kolonedale (District capital): 24 hours by road. There's no air transport, as there's no airport in the district.
2. From Palu to Luwuk (Banggai District capital)
  - a. By road  $\pm$  15 jam
  - b. Airplane  $\pm$  1,5 jam

From Luwuk to Baturabe (Bungku Utara subdistrict town) by road: 4-5 hours in normal condition. As there're broken bridges along the road, so some alternative ways should be found which will put on more difficulties.

From Kolonedale to Baturabe by sea about 4-5 hours. Currently, sea waves is still very high which will endangered any sea transportation. So there's no boat could reach Baturabe, still.

From Baturabe to disaster locations is about 30 km with difficult road condition due to current disaster.

**Communication:** at least in Baturabe, there's telkomsel mobile network.

#### **Current intervention**

1. Hercules airplane brought food from Jakarta is still waiting in Luwuk. It was planned to bring the aids through land to Baturabe, but still no access yet.
2. Local government boat and TNI boat brought food, water and rubber boat for evacuation purpose, still waiting in Kolonedale. They are planned to bring aids to Baturabe through sea, but still waiting for lower sea waves

#### **Urgent Needs**

Tentative information said that people is in need of clean water as they've been trapped for 3 nights without access to water.

#### **Contact**

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