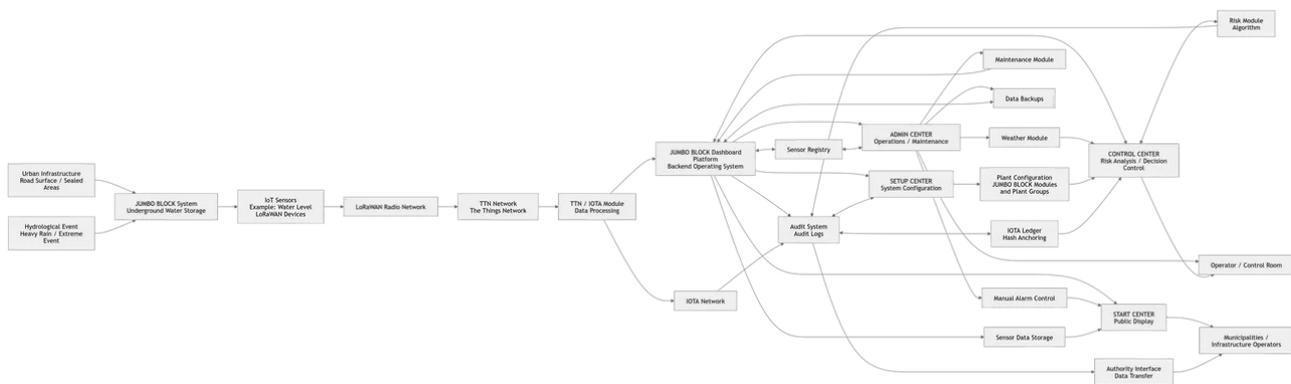


From Infrastructure Risk to Verifiable Resilience

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From passive infrastructure to monitored systems

How JUMBO BLOCK® helps cities escape the liability trap of modern infrastructure regulations

Cities around the world are facing a growing challenge.

Urban areas are increasingly covered with asphalt and concrete. At the same time, intense rainfall events are becoming more frequent and more severe in many regions. When large volumes of water hit sealed surfaces within minutes, existing drainage systems are often overwhelmed.

Flooded streets, damaged infrastructure and rising financial losses are the visible consequences.

But behind these physical damages lies another, often underestimated risk.

A governance and liability problem.

Municipalities, infrastructure operators and public utilities are increasingly required to demonstrate that they actively monitor, evaluate and document risks within their systems. Regulatory frameworks such as **NIS-2** and **KRITIS** are pushing operators to ensure that infrastructure is not only built and operated, but also transparently documented and traceable.

In simple terms:

Building infrastructure is no longer enough.

Operators must also prove that they operate it responsibly.

The emerging infrastructure liability gap

Traditional urban infrastructure has long been designed to move water away as quickly as possible. Streets, drainage pipes and sewer systems were engineered based on average rainfall scenarios.

However, the combination of **sealed urban surfaces** and **extreme rainfall events** increasingly leads to situations where these systems reach their limits.

When infrastructure fails, a key question arises:

Could the operator have anticipated or mitigated the risk?

If this question cannot be clearly answered, a **liability gap** appears.

Many existing infrastructure systems lack three critical capabilities:

- continuous monitoring
- transparent operational documentation
- verifiable data records

Without these elements, operators often cannot demonstrate how a system behaved during a critical event.

From passive infrastructure to monitored systems

The **JUMBO BLOCK** concept approaches this problem from a different perspective.

Instead of relying exclusively on drainage, the system transforms **sealed urban surfaces into underground water retention spaces**.

Installed beneath roads, plazas or other sealed areas, JUMBO BLOCK modules create large underground storage volumes capable of capturing significant amounts of rainwater during intense rainfall events.

But physical storage is only part of the solution.

Equally important is the ability to **observe, analyse and document what happens within the system**.

This is where the digital infrastructure layer comes into play.

The digital infrastructure platform of JUMBO BLOCK®

The JUMBO BLOCK platform connects physical infrastructure with a monitoring and documentation system consisting of several components:

- IoT water-level sensors
- LoRaWAN communication networks
- the JUMBO BLOCK Dashboard platform
- automated risk analysis
- an infrastructure audit system
- optional IOTA-based data anchoring

Together, these components transform passive infrastructure into a **monitored resilience system**.

Sensor data is transmitted through LoRaWAN networks to the JUMBO BLOCK Dashboard, where operators can observe water levels, system behaviour and infrastructure conditions in real time.

Operational states and decisions can be documented in audit logs.

These records can optionally be anchored in a distributed ledger, creating a **tamper-resistant proof of infrastructure operation**.

JUMBO BLOCK® as infrastructure – the dashboard as an optional extension

The **JUMBO BLOCK Dashboard** is not a standalone product but an optional component of a JUMBO BLOCK system.

The core of the solution is the physical infrastructure:

modular underground retention structures that can be installed beneath roads, plazas or other sealed surfaces to store large volumes of rainwater.

The dashboard adds a digital layer for monitoring, analysis and documentation.

Depending on project requirements, a JUMBO BLOCK system can therefore operate:

- purely as a physical water retention infrastructure
- with integrated sensor monitoring
- or as a fully digitally integrated infrastructure system

A **live demonstration of the dashboard interface** is available here:

🔗 <https://jumboblock.net>

The demo illustrates how sensor values, system states and risk analyses can be visualized within the system.

Monitoring, decisions and proof

This architecture creates something that traditional infrastructure rarely provides:

A complete chain of operational evidence.

Monitoring

→ risk analysis

→ operational decisions

→ audit documentation

→ verifiable data anchoring

For operators, this means they can not only respond to infrastructure events but also demonstrate **how the system behaved and how decisions were made**.

This capability is becoming increasingly important in modern infrastructure governance.

Infrastructure that can explain itself

The diagram below illustrates the architecture of the JUMBO BLOCK digital infrastructure platform.

It shows how urban infrastructure, sensor networks, monitoring systems and audit mechanisms interact to create a **transparent and traceable infrastructure environment**.

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The underlying idea is simple:

Infrastructure should not only function.

It should also **be able to explain itself**.

A new model for resilient urban infrastructure

As cities adapt their infrastructure to changing environmental conditions and increasing regulatory expectations, the systems behind it will also evolve.

Future infrastructure systems will likely combine three elements:

physical resilience

digital monitoring

verifiable operational records

JUMBO BLOCK represents an approach where these elements are designed together from the beginning.

The result is not only flood mitigation.

It is a form of **transparent, monitored and accountable infrastructure**.

Conclusion

Urban infrastructure is entering a new era.

Cities will increasingly be judged not only by what they build, but also by **how responsibly they operate their systems**.

Technologies that combine **physical resilience with digital transparency** will play a central role in this transformation.

JUMBO BLOCK is one step toward infrastructure that is not only stronger – but also **observable, auditable and explainable**.

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