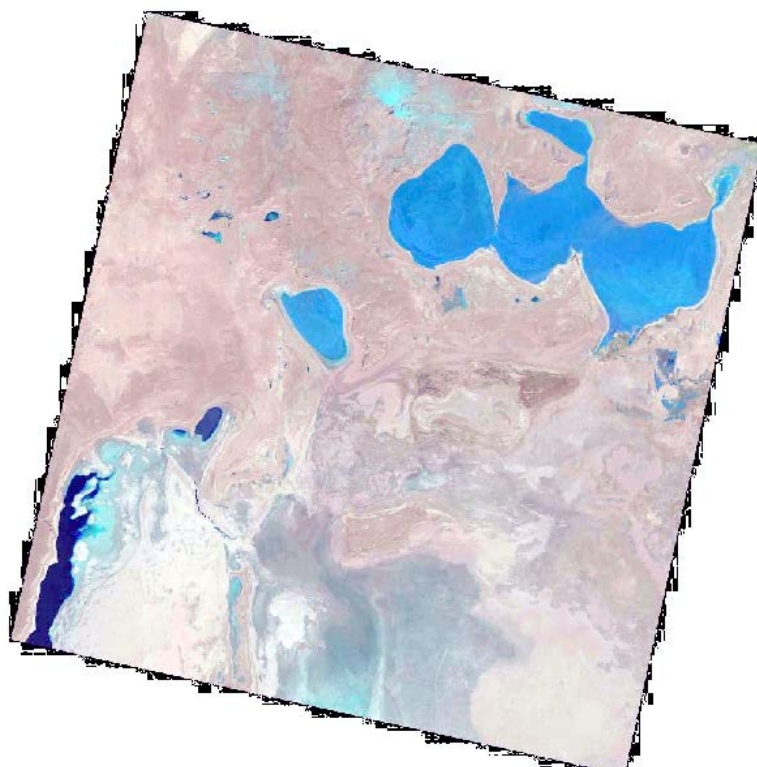


Monitoring of changes in the area of water surface and wetlands within the Small Aral Sea

SIC experts keep regular monitoring over the Small Aral Sea by using the Landsat 8-9 images. The areas of wetlands and open water surfaces were determined by the image dated 18 January 2023.



**Figure 1. Small Aral.
Landsat 8-9, 18 January 2023**

Table 1

**Areas of wetlands, water surface and dried seabed*,
Small Aral Sea (ha)**

	20.09.2022	13.01.2023
Wetland	66 659	72 679
Water surface	288 501	293 293
Dry land*	186 287	174 844

*bare soil, dense or rare vegetation

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