

ABSTRACT

**"Method for covering a river bottom with dumping material to form a
bottom protection having a certain profile"**

The invention relates to a method for covering a river bottom with stony material wherein use is made of a pontoon having open sections through which this material is dumped by means of scraper beams from slides moving above these open sections,

5 characterized in that a) the relief map of the river bottom is drawn up ; b) the speed at which the slides are moved is determined and if necessary adjusted in function of the inclined or flat profile of the river bottom which is to be obtained ; c) the pontoon is moved in function of the relief of the river bottom and/or of the inclined or flat profile of this bottom which is to

10 be obtained ; d) the position of the pontoon is adjusted in function of the flow velocity of the water ; e) the speed at which the slide and pontoon are moved is adjusted in function of profile changes of the river bottom.

Figure 1. of the drawings is to accompany the publication of patent.