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Summary: This report is based on field research in the Senegal River valley. It shows how farmers manage irrigation schemes, relating management to scheme design. One chapter treats the characteristics and utilization of the relatively successful village irrigation schemes. Others are devoted to the concept of so-called intermediate schemes, which are larger in scale and designed with the market production of rice as the objective. Irrigation will only contribute to development if planners and engineers develop a better design method. This end-of-project report shows that designing effective irrigation schemes requires the integration of technical and socio-cultural elements.

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