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- 1 Two distinctive features of Sasanian bridges are their designation as weir-bridges and their function in the facilitation of irrigation. This has often been used to emphasise a specific Sasanian administrative centralisation. The author stresses the continuity of investments in infrastructures, from the Arsacids to the Islamic period via the Sasanians. It is presented that members of elite governing classes as well as private entrepreneurs provided these investments – as hinted by the inscription just above the notorious bridge at Firuzabad built by order of Mihr Narseh.
- 2 Publications that focus on Sasanian bridges are limited as is our understanding. This paper adds a piece of archaeological information on Sasanian hydraulic infrastructure and points out that there are just two known examples of Sasanian dams in Iran and suggests a different chronology for them.

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