

A PARABLE OF TWO PONDS

Two Water Bodies

Nairobi Dam, Top

Salton Sea, Bottom



The Nairobi Dam



Ngong Forest

Kibera

NAIROBI DAM

CBD

Nairobi National Park

4 km

Original Use

Nairobi Dam, Left



Original Users

Nairobi Dam, Left



Kibera, 1948



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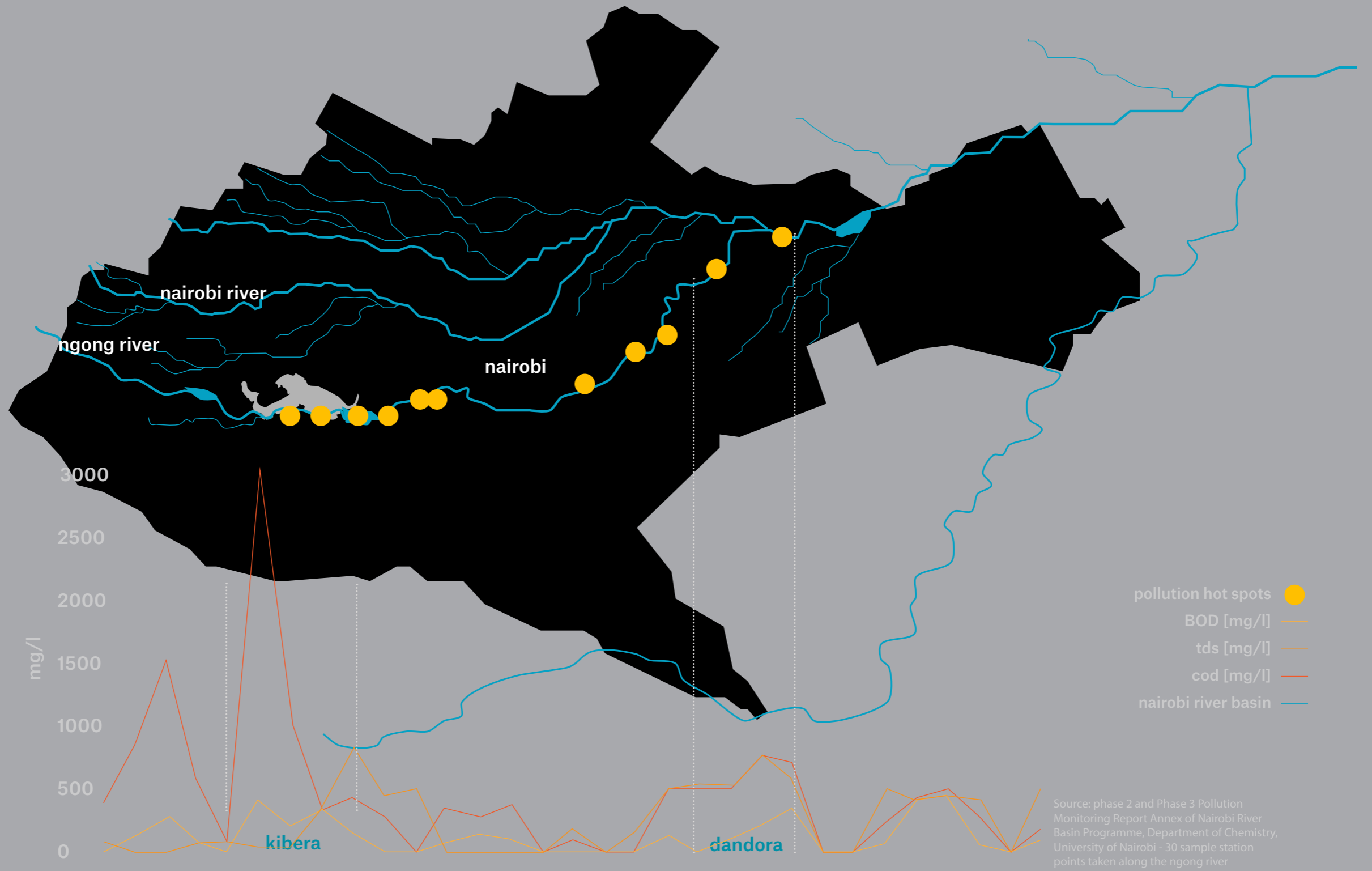
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Dam Trash



Organic Pollution



Water Hyacinth

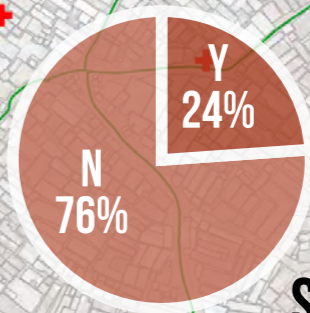
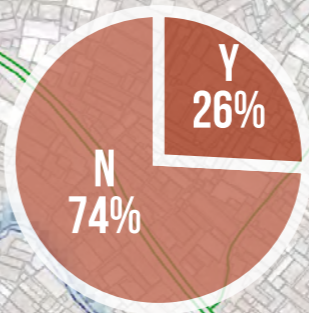
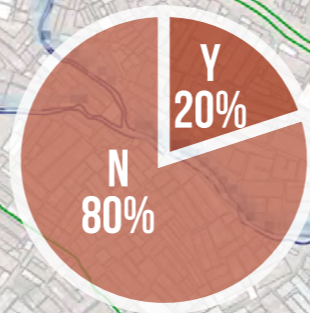
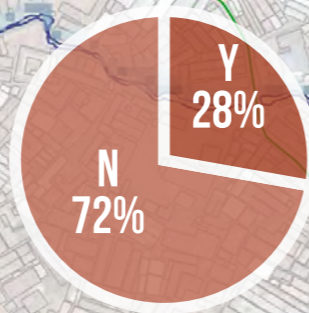
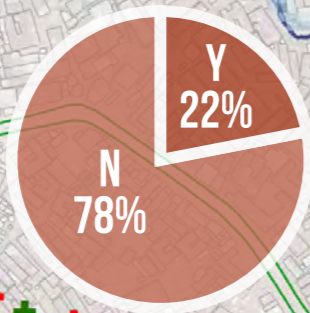


Flooding



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% households with children under 5 experiencing diarrhoea in the last two weeks.



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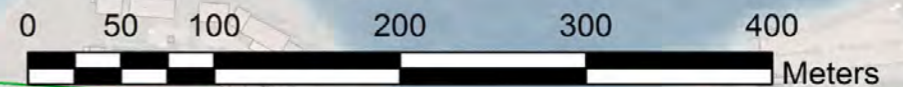
- Buildings
- Rivers
- Streams
- Roads

1 in 100 Year Flood Extents

Value

- High : 4.681
- Low : 0

- Households Reporting Flooding (June 2015)
- Households Reporting No Flooding (June 2015)



The Salton Sea



Los Angeles

Coachella Valley

Nevada

SALTON SEA

California

Colorado River

Imperial Valley

San Diego

USA-MEXICO BORDER

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Pacific Ocean

MEXICO

Gulf of California

Salton Sea



Fishing



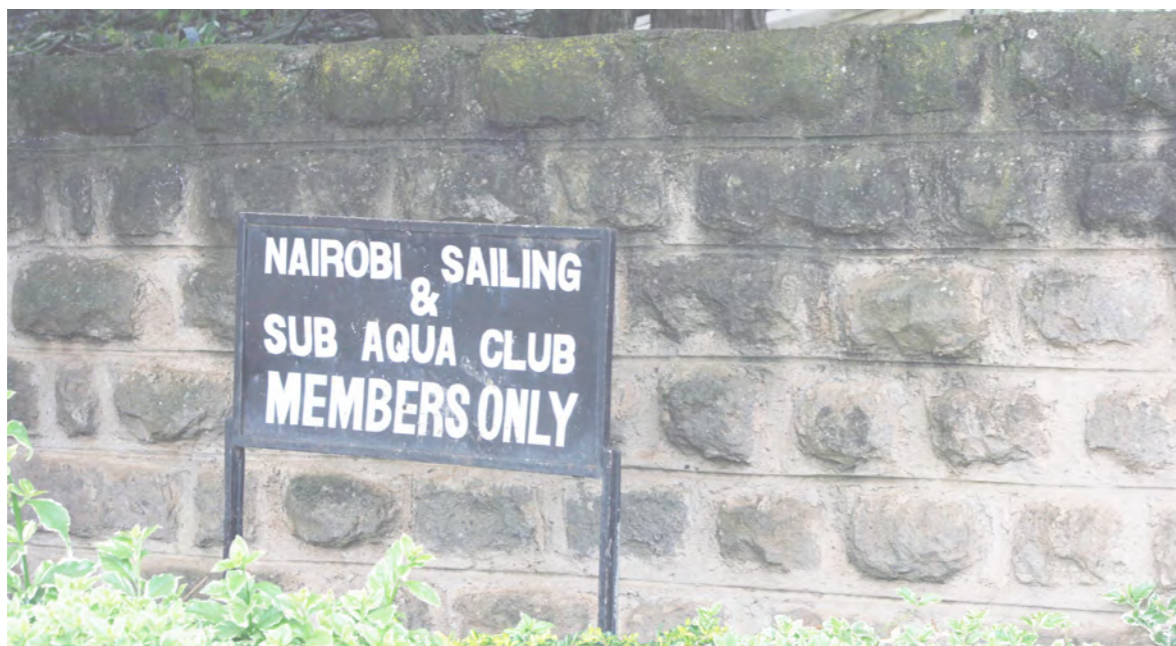


Original Use

Nairobi Dam, Left

Salton Sea, Right





Original Users

Nairobi Dam, Left

Salton Sea, Right

Pollution

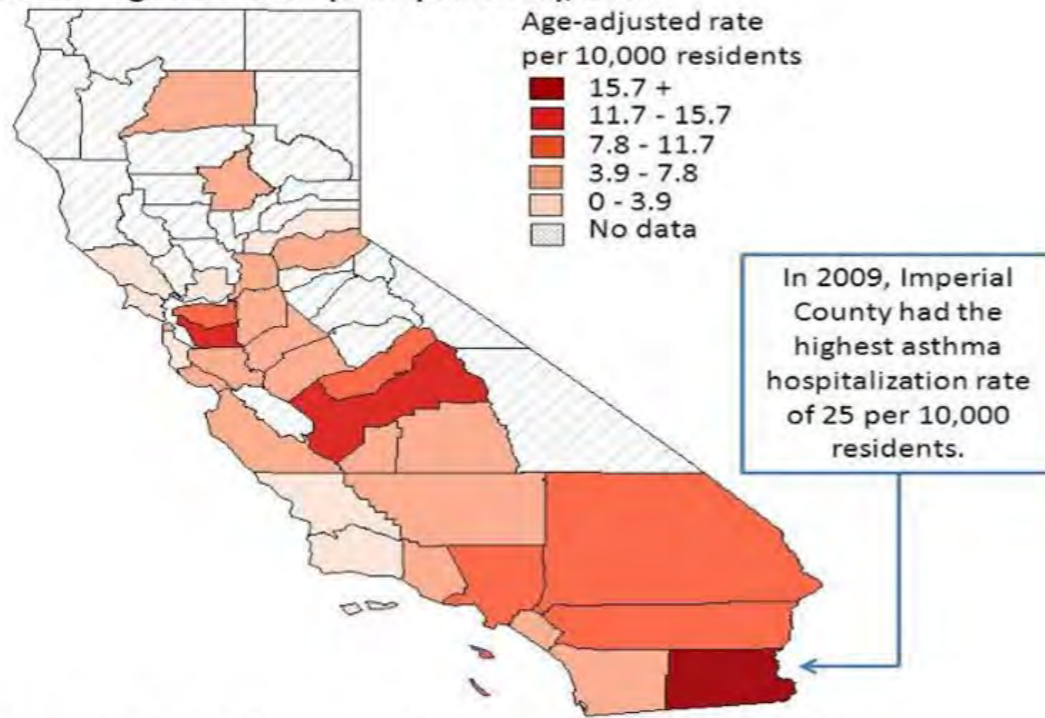


Ecological Effects





Hospitalizations due to asthma in California among school-aged children (5-17 years old), 2009



Data Source: Office of Statewide Planning and Development, 2009

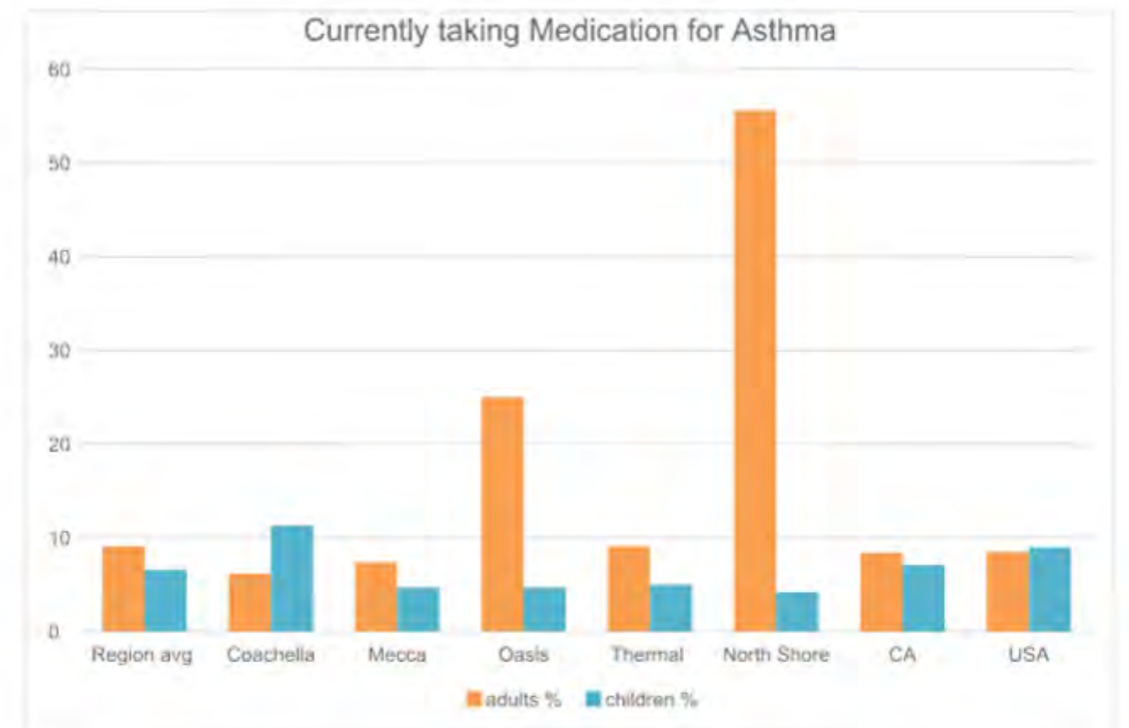
“Those smells [from the Salton Sea] ...you feel like you don’t have worth. ...You think that you have to endure it here because it’s Mecca... Sure we’re in Mecca, but we’re not animals. We’re human beings.”

Mecca resident, 2012

Revealing the Invisible Coachella Valley

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Pollution Levels

News Coverage

Kibera, Left

Coachella Valley, Right

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A man fishes for tilapia in 2015 along the receding banks of the Salton Sea near Bombay Beach, Calif. Toxic dust from the shrinking lake poses one of the largest environmental and public health crises in state history. (AP Photo/Gregory Bull, File) Gregory Bull - AP

CALIFORNIA FORUM

The Salton Sea is a California crisis. It's time for the state to show some urgency

BY FRANK RUIZ
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Remember that time in school when the teacher gave you three months to complete an assignment and you did no work on it until the night before it was due? That's the position the state of California is in with the Salton Sea.

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Funky Smell In Pam Desert? It's The Salton Sea, And Here's Why

Smell that, anyone?
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Bombay Beach is definitely the most post-apocalypse-y place I've ever visited.

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Comparison Table of Common Issues

		Nairobi Dam	Salton Sea
Characteristics	Original Use	Tourism / recreation / drinking water	Tourism / recreation
	Original Users	Elite	Elite
	Environmental Catastrophe	Pollution	Shrinking
Causes	Neighbouring Communities	Encroaching	Fleeing
	Human Driven Environmental Flows	Human waste	Agricultural waste
Impacts	Public Health Risks	Cholera	Asthma + respiratory disease
	Climate-Related Risks	Flooding	Drought and flooding
	Economic Impacts	Loss of recreational income	Loss of tourism
	Regional Effects	Pollution downstream	Regional air quality
	Ecological Effects	Loss of fish	Loss of bird and fish habitat