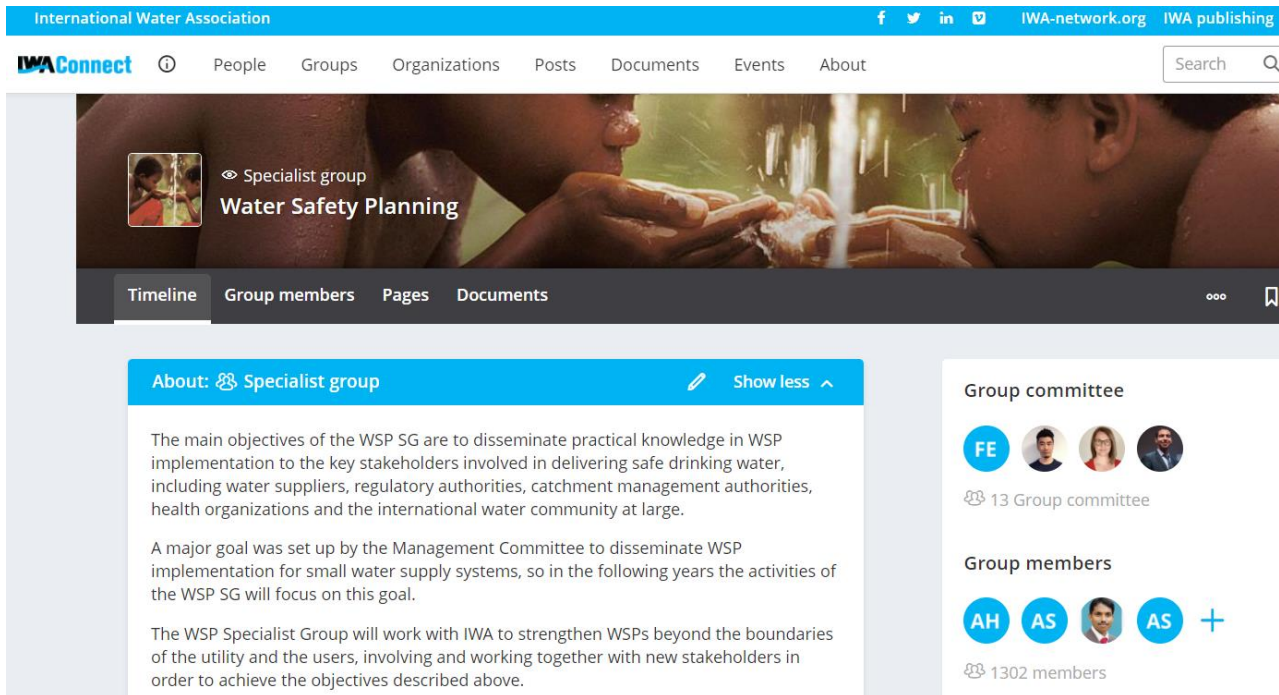




Water Safety Planning: Managing catchment risks

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AGENDA

- Welcome, introduction, housekeeping rules
Philip de Souza
- Overview of typical water safety planning requirements
Asoka Jayaratne
- Poll
- Challenges in identifying and managing risks in catchments in Sri Lanka
Jayalal Wijesinghe
- Water Safety Planning Process at Catchment Management Level: Lessons Learnt from South Africa
Thabisa Manxodidi
- Catchment and Source Water Management for Sydney, Australia
Andrew Ball
- Poll and Q&A Panel Discussion
- Final remarks and conclusion
Asoka Jayaratne

MODERATOR & PANELISTS



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Yarra Valley Water, Australia

LEARNING OBJECTIVES

1. Learn about best practices utilities are applying to manage development and implementation of Water Safety Plans.
2. Identify needs and requirements for successfully implementing a digital tool to manage water safety planning activities.
3. Draw from the experiences presented to assist to choose the appropriate tool to local settings for the development and implementation of robust and resilient water safety planning that enable utilities to rapidly respond to hazards and risks.

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1. Water safety planning for climate resilience
2. Monitoring and control of drinking water quality and supply systems
3. Risk based approaches in drinking water regulation
4. Emergency planning and preparation
5. New and emerging risks
6. Water safety in buildings
7. Risk evaluation and management
8. Water reclamation and reuse in the context of water and sanitation safety planning
9. Water safety in small systems
10. Water safety plan auditing and implementation
11. Lessons learned on water safety in the context of the COVID-19 pandemic

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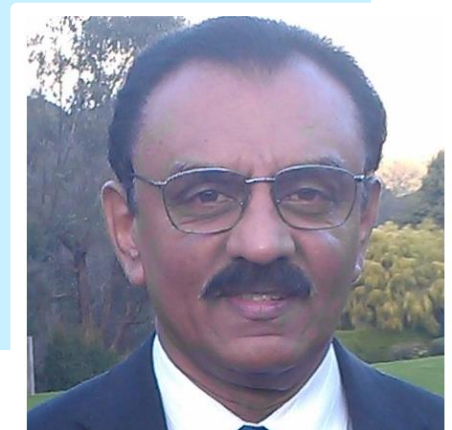
How does it affect your life?

What is the main contribution to the SDG6 and the 2030 Agenda?

Don't forget to include the hashtags [#IWA](https://twitter.com/IWA) & [#WSP](https://twitter.com/WSP).

Overview Typical Water Safety Planning Requirements

ASOKA JAYARATNE, YARRA VALLEY WATER, AUSTRALIA



INTRODUCTION TO WATER SAFETY PLAN REQUIREMENTS

- What is a water safety plan (WSP)?
- What are the benefits of WSP?
- What are the key features?



WATER SAFETY PLANNING

A comprehensive *risk assessment and risk management* approach that *includes all steps* in the water supply from catchment to consumer



CATCHMENT TO TAP (CONSUMER)

- Prevention at the earliest step in the process
- Prevention at the catchment
- Multiple Barriers



WATER SAFETY PLANNING FRAMEWORK

1. WSP team formation
2. System description
3. Hazard identification
4. Risk assessment
5. Improvement planning
6. Operational monitoring
7. Verification
8. Management procedures
9. Supporting programmes
10. Review and revision (regular)
11. Review and revisions (incident)



WHO/IWA (2009)

WATER SAFETY PLANNING BENEFITS

1. Safe and clean water 100% of the time
2. Drives continuous improvement (not a static document)
3. Focus on prevention than end product testing
4. Significant reduction in potential contamination events
 - a. Microbiological events → e.g. E.coli detections
 - b. Treatment plant operations
 - c. Ingress in the distribution network
 - d. Staff and stakeholder engagement and awareness
5. Preparedness for unforeseen events → incidents and emergencies

Melbourne suburbs served by Yarra Valley Water, South East Water warned to boil water after wild weather

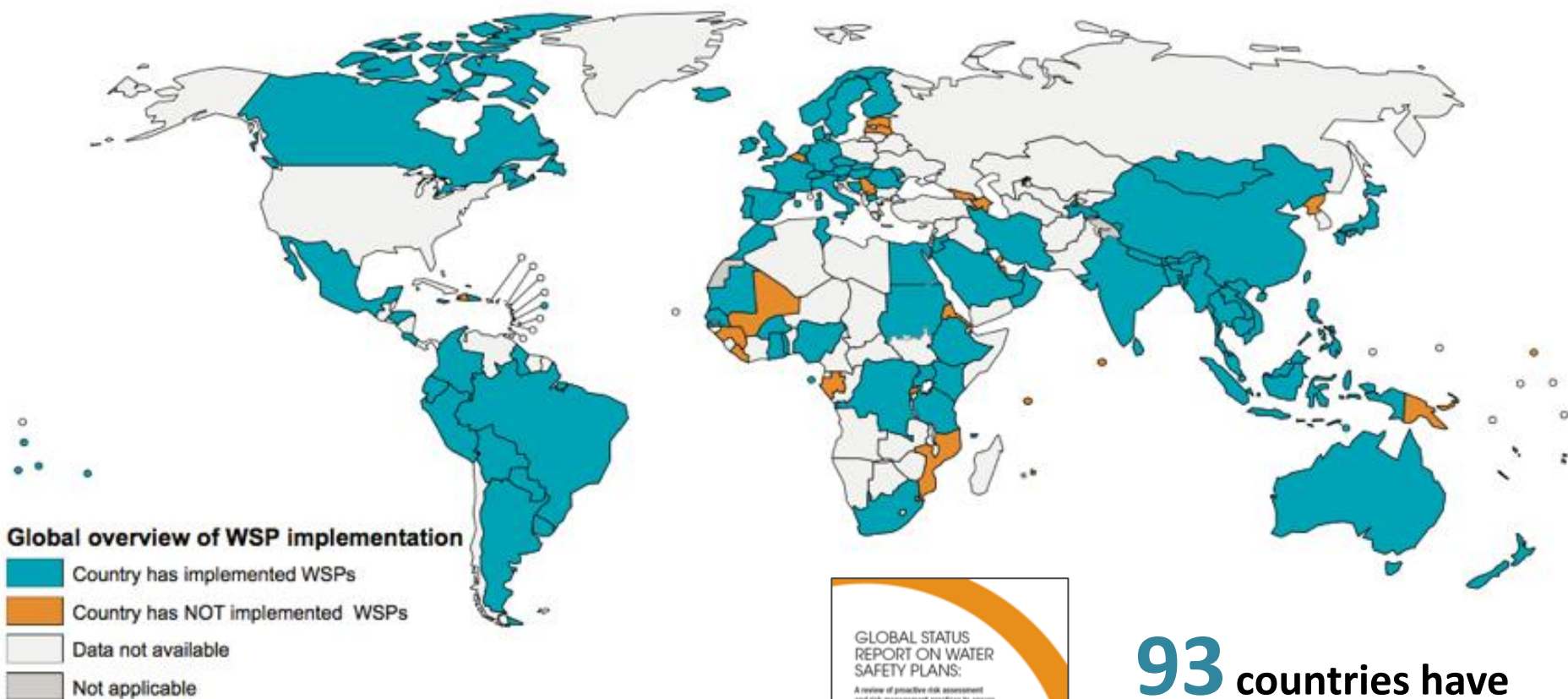
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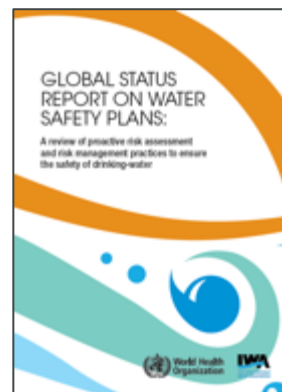


Source: <https://www.abc.net.au/news/2020-08-28/yarra-valley-water-users-told-to-boil-water-after-storms/12605930>

WSP BENEFITS



WHO (2017). *Global status report on water safety plans*.
Geneva, Switzerland.



93 countries have implemented WSPs



FOR MORE INFORMATION

- WHO Water, Sanitation, Hygiene
www.who.int/water_sanitation_health
- Water Safety Portal (WSPortal)
www.wsportal.org



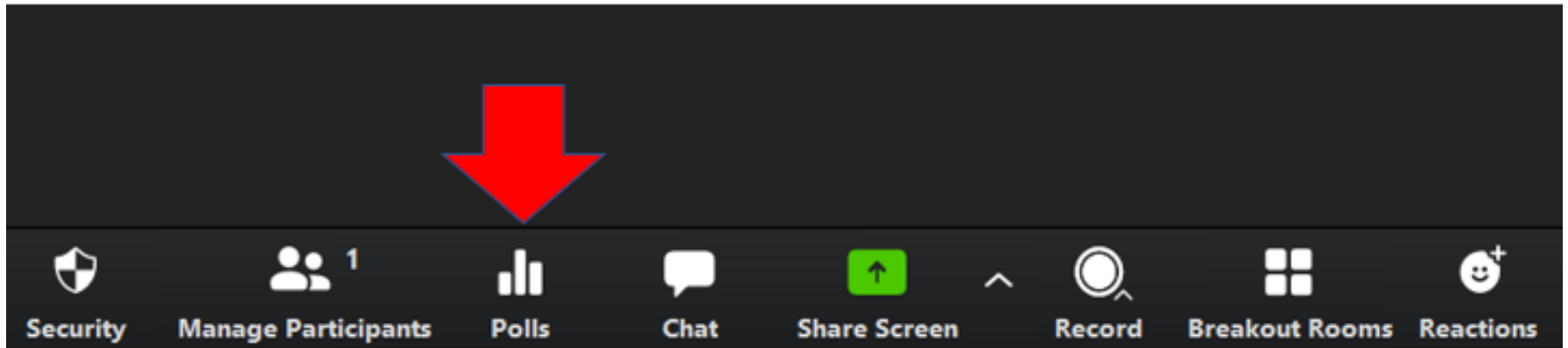
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Poll

MODERATOR: PHILIP DE SOUZA

POLL

Poll: Is it easy to involve catchment/basin management authorities within utility-based water safety planning activities?



Participate in the poll and share your answer with us!

CHALLENGES IN IDENTIFYING & MANAGING RISKS IN CATCHMENT IN SRI LANKA

JAYALAL WIJESINGHE, NATIONAL WATER SUPPLY &
DRAINAGE BOARD SRI LANKA

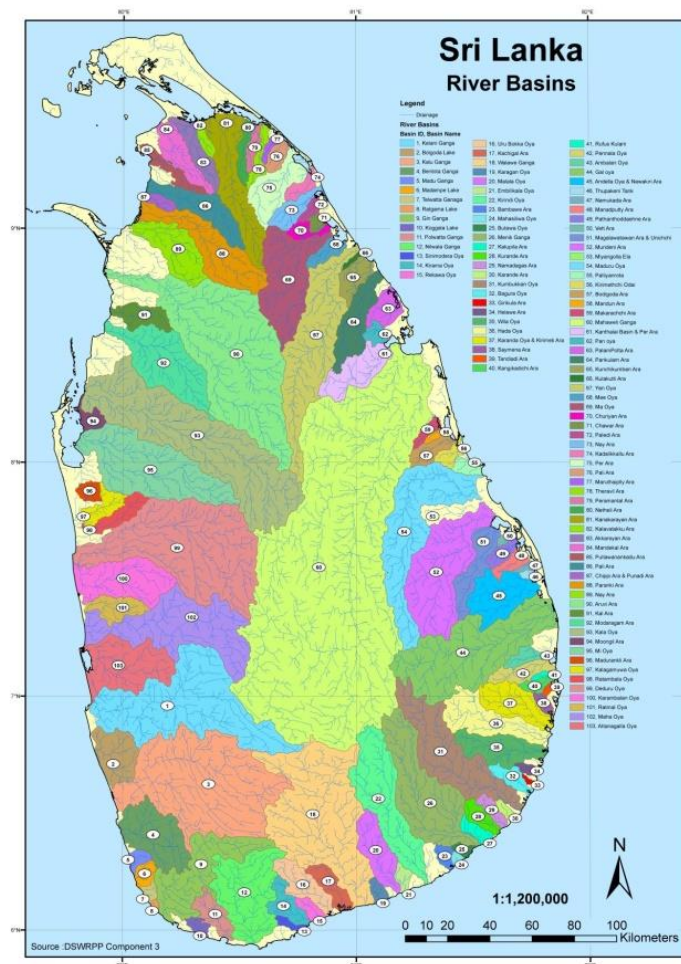


CONTENT

- Country profile
- Risk identification in catchment
- RISK MANAGEMENT IN CATCHMENT
- CASE STUDIES – SRI LANKA
- WAY FORWARD

COUNTRY PROFILE – POPULATION & WATER SOURCES

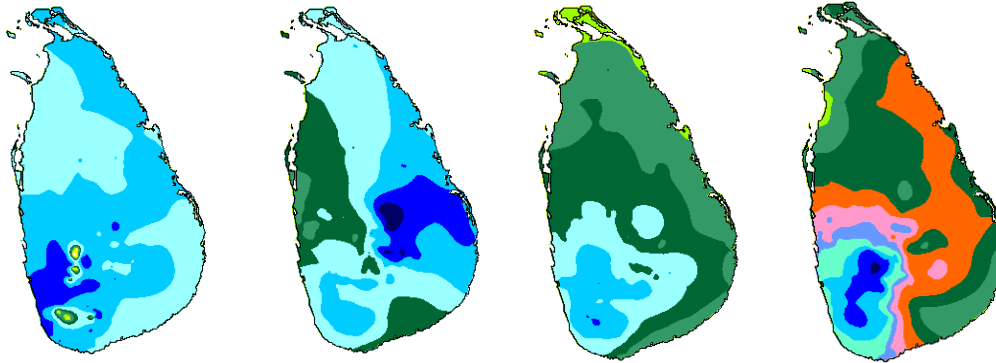
- 80 Km southeast to the Indian Subcontinent
North Latitude 5° 55' & 9° 50'
East Longitude 79° 31' & 81° 53'
- Area 65,612 Km²
Land 62,709
Inland waters 2905
- Coastline 1585 Km
- Mid year population ('000)(2020) 21,919
- Population Density - 350 persons / sq.km
- Average Household size 3.8 persons
- Expectation of Life at Birth (2017) 75.5 years
- Literacy Rate (2019) 92.9 %



Water Source	No
River Basins	103
Ramsar Wetlands	06
Major Reservoirs	73
Medium Reservoirs	171

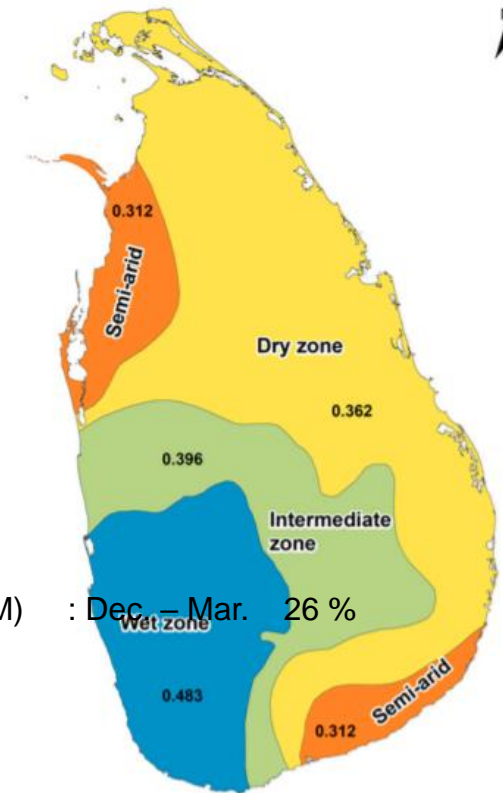
CLIMATE – TROPICAL WITH MONSOON RAINS TOPOGRAPHY - FLAT WITH CENTRAL HILLS

- Four major climatic zones (Avg. rainfall/year mm)
 1. Wet zone : > 2500
 2. Intermediate Zone : 1900-2500
 3. Dry Zone : 1200-1900
 4. Semi Arid Zone : 800-1200



1. First Inter Monsoon (FIM) : March – April 14 %
2. South West Monsoon (SWM): May – Sept. 30 %
3. Second Inter Monsoon (SIM) : Oct. – Nov. 30 %

4. North east Monsoon (NEM) : Dec – Mar. 26 %

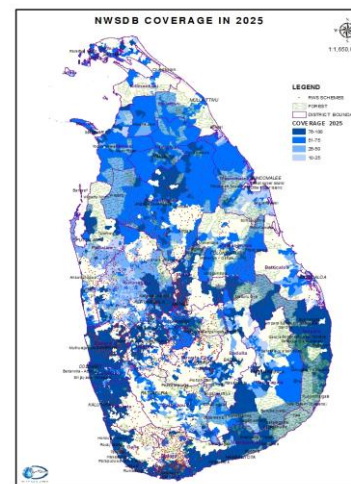
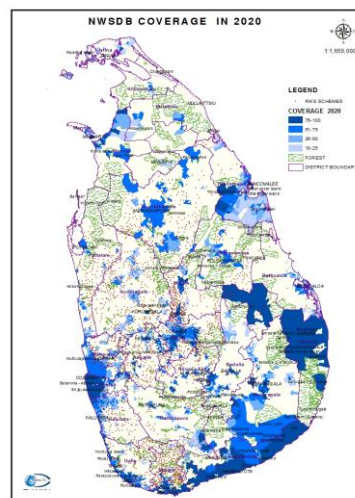


NWSDB - PLAN FOR DRINKING WATER

- **UN definition for “Access to Water”**
- Quantity 20 l/person/day
- Quality No biological or chemical agents detrimental to health
- Distance for collecting < 200 m

Population Density (Persons/ Km ²)	Category	Per Capita Consumption (liter/capita/day)
	Highly Developed Area	180 – 200
> 10,000	Urban	140 – 160
2000 to 10,000	Semi Urban	120 – 140
0 to < 2000	Rural	100 – 120
	Water Scarce areas	60

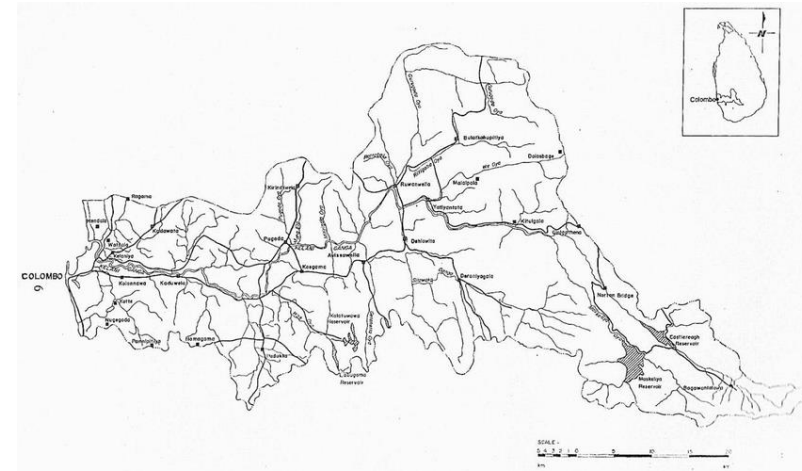
No	Description	2020	2025
1	Water Production (M ³ / day) ('000)	2,089	4,445
2	No. of families (Covered) (NWSDB-Direct and Bulk with LAs)	2,305,933	4,685,725
3	Coverage (NWSDB)	40.0%	79 %
4	No. of families (Covered) (CBOs) (LAs & Others)	789,782	1,260,627
5	Coverage (CBO & Improved Domestic Water Sources)	13.7 %	21.2%
6	Length of distribution network (Km)	44,200	84,200



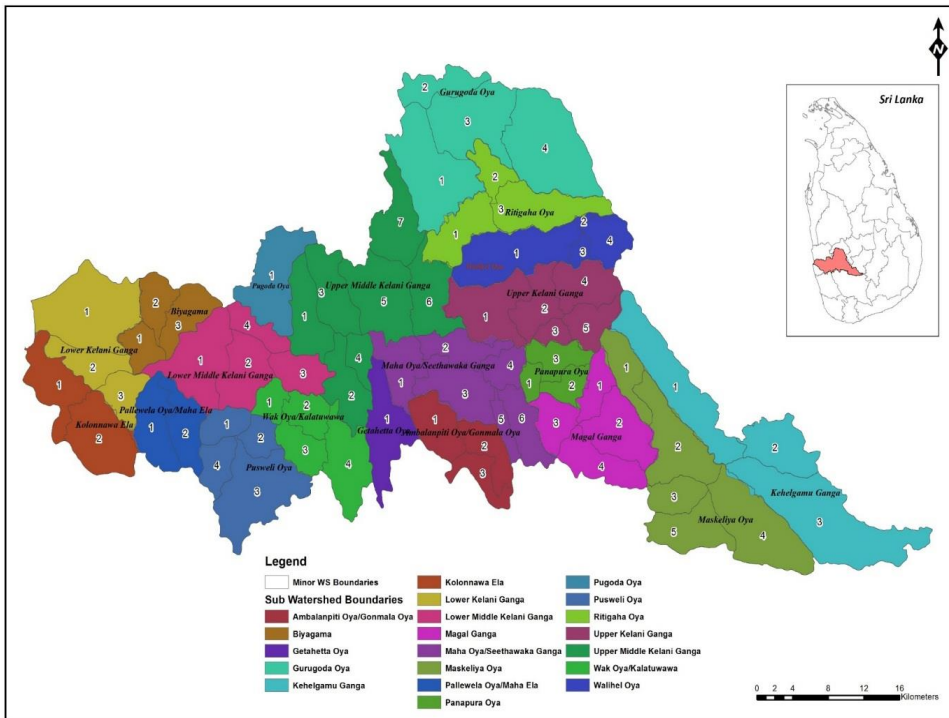
No of WSS=357
No of WTPs=302

RISK IDENTIFICATION - KELANI RIVER

- The Kelani is the second largest river basin and the fourth longest river in Sri Lanka
- It originates from the Western face of the central highlands in the Horton Plains National Park
- Drains about 2,300 sq. km., annual rainfall about 3,250 mm (7,865 Million Cubic Meters (MCM) of water from rain) with about 43% of rainfall ending in Indian Ocean
- Home to 25% of Sri Lanka's population
- Provides drinking water to millions of people in Greater Colombo including proposed Western Region Megapolis
- Supports over 10,000 small and large scale industries
- Supports livelihoods through agriculture, mining, urban services, ecosystems etc.



KELANI RIVER BASIN



- Consisted of **20 sub-watersheds**, **71 minor watersheds** with **37 local authorities** and **36 Divisional Secretariat divisions**; over 750 schools; private sector such as large industries, small and medium enterprises and independent business; community based organizations etc.

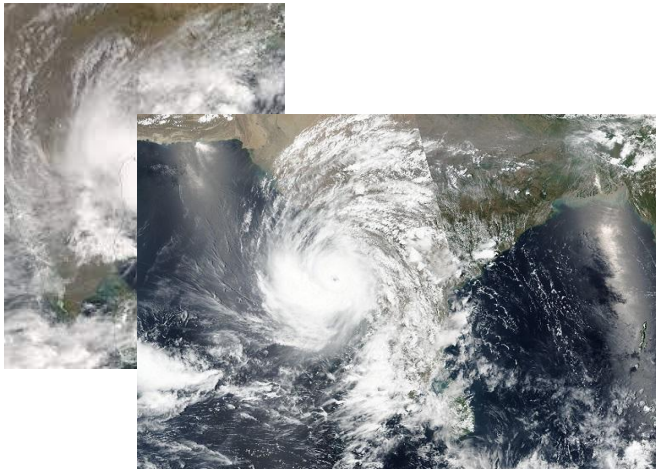
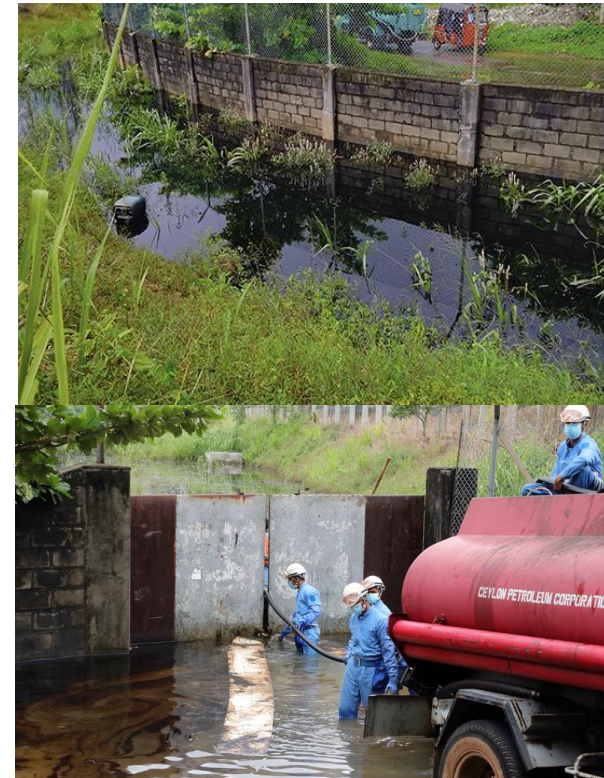
RISK IDENTIFICATION: OIL SPILLAGE IN KELANI RIVER

- Impacts by YAAS and TAKUKTAE cyclones (May / June 2021)
- Oil spill at Sapugaskanda due to flooding
- Droughts (2017 February)
- Construction site (2017 January)
- Discharge from Beverage industry (2015 August)



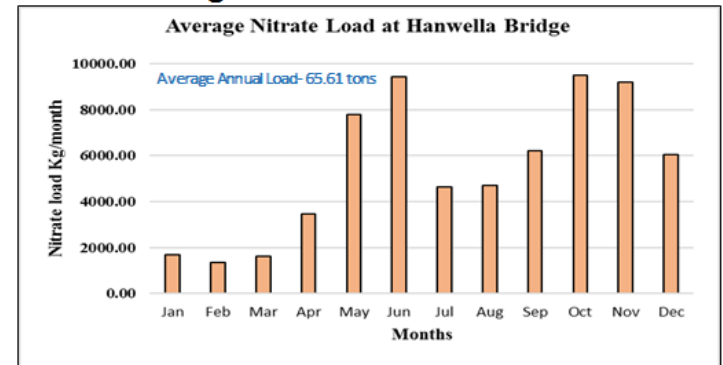
YAAS AND TAUKTAE CYCLONES IN MAY 2021

- Overflowing of the separator tanks containing furnace oil with the ingress of rainwater; 04th June 2021
- Inadequate supervision and operation of the slop oil being stored in pits of Sapugaskanda oil refinery
- Damages – 100 residents affected
Mild to severe health conditions and breathing difficulties for children due to harsh smell and toxicity
- Providing booms and continues water quality monitoring to avoid contaminated water entering the WTP

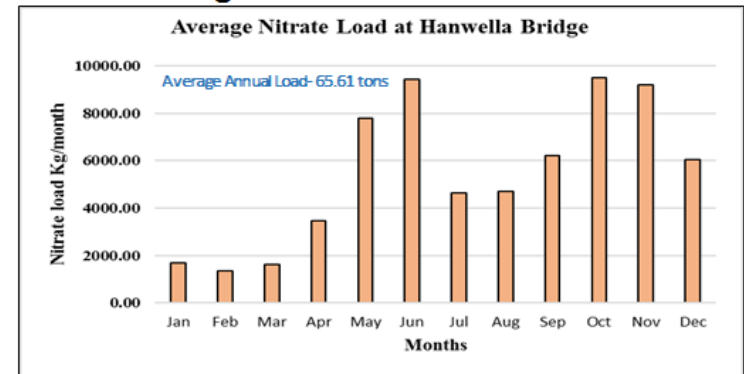


KELANI RIVER - FLOODS

- More frequent Floods
- Flows through highly urbanized areas; Colombo and Gampaha causing sever damages
- Water source for the NWSDBs largest water treatment facility at Ambatale providing water to Colombo City
- Higher turbidity levels in the River during floods cause difficulties in regular treatment processes
- Flooding cause severe damages to pipe systems and operations of the water intakes



Kelani River Multi-Stakeholder Partnership (KRMP)

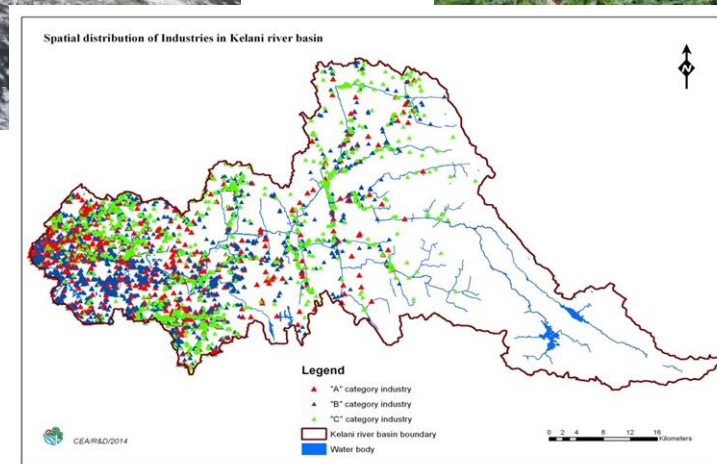


Kelani River Multi-Stakeholder Partnership (KRMP)

CADDIS FLY IN KELANI RIVER AT AMBATALE INTAKE



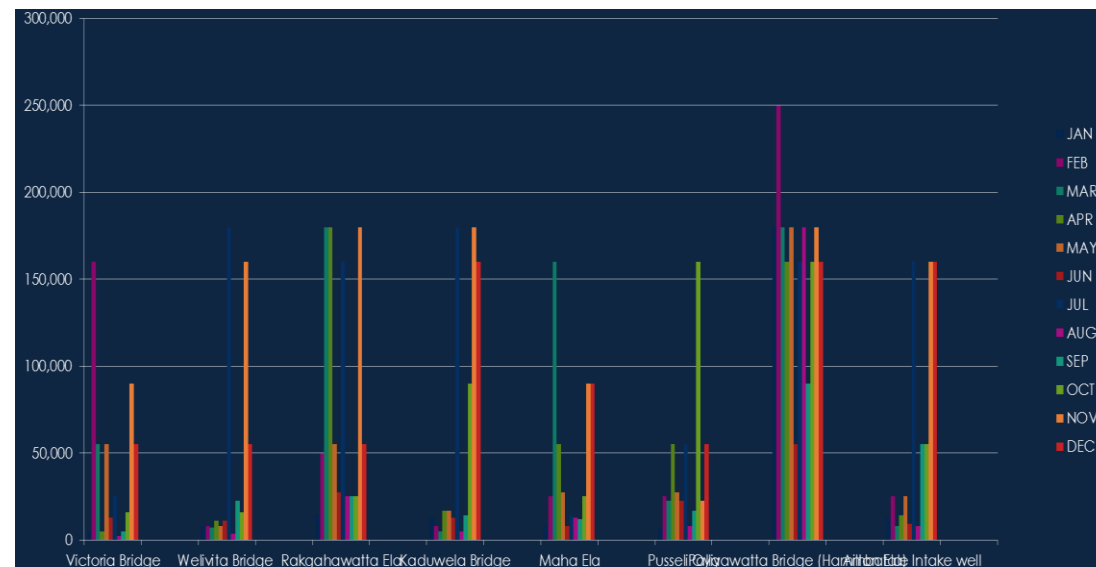
TOXIC WASTEWATER GENERATED FROM INDUSTRIES IN KRB



- Heavy metal contamination from industries.
- Organic compound contamination from industries.

MICROBIAL POLLUTION IN RAINY SEASON

- High turbid water contamination during rainy season
- Microbial contamination
- High levels ammonia in river water



FACILITATION OF ENVIRONMENT MANAGEMENT AT EXPORT PROCESSING ZONES (EPZS) IN THE KELANI BASIN

Identifying	Identifying potential improvements at Seethawaka and Biyagama EPZs
Strengthening	Strengthening the agency coordination and technical knowledge sharing while engaging BOI, CEA, NWSDB and others preparing for real time water quality monitoring
Integrating	Integrating WWTP improvements to overall Kelani River Basin management and conservation including support to source investments
Recognition	Developing success stories behind Effluent Water Treatment Plant to create awareness and Establishing a real time monitoring system to Seethawaka and Biyagamagama EPZs

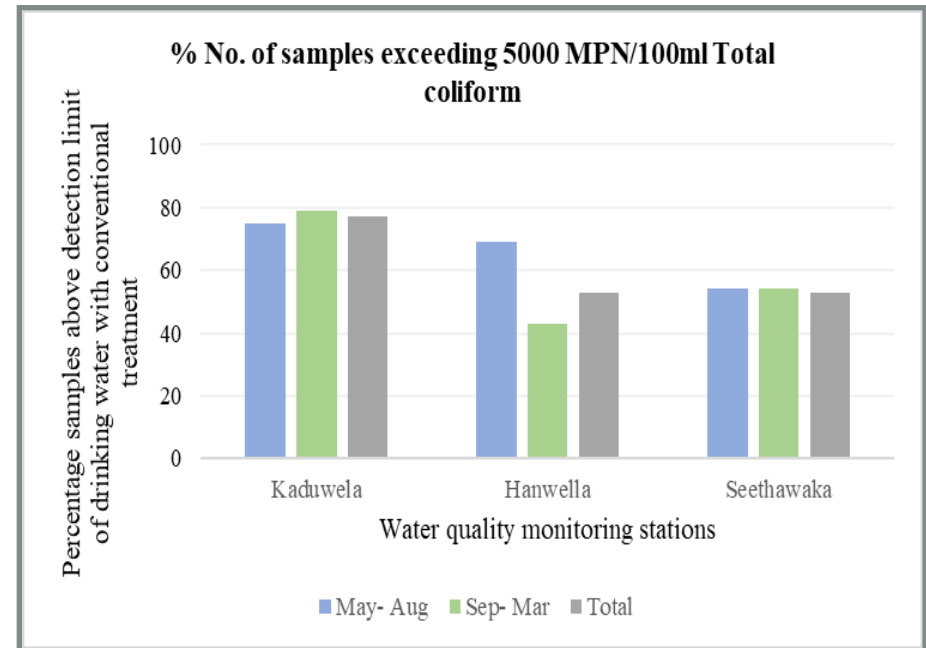
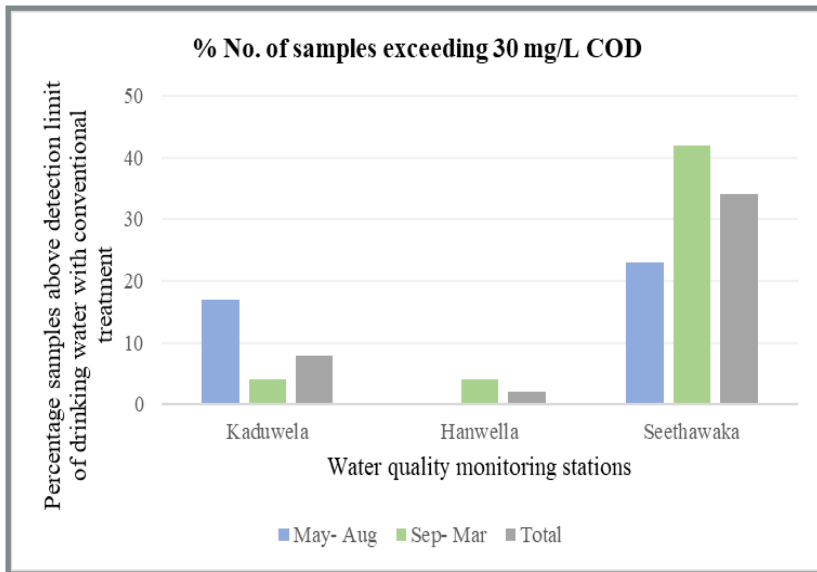


KELANI RIVER WITH LOW FLOW

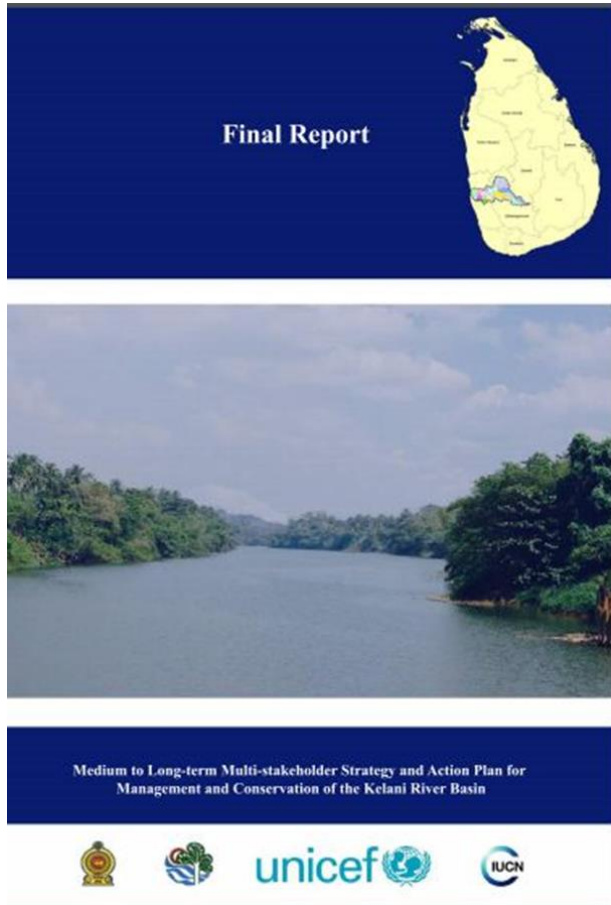
- RCI levels were dropped & high dose has been given but difficult to maintain the free residual levels. River flow is 4-6 m³/S in these days and extraction is approximately 9.2 m³/S. This is due to Sevier drought and minimum release from Laxapana hydro power station.
- Temporary suspend the dosing of Post lime
- Activate all the secondary chlorination points.
- Dosing of Sodium hypochlorite is started in Biyagama WW treatment plant out let.
- Instructions were issued by the BOI to control the discharges of ammonia from rubber industries.



INDUSTRIAL AND URBAN POLLUTIONS



KELANI RIVER MULTI-STAKEHOLDER PARTNERSHIP (KRMP) APPROACH








Vision

Balancing sustainable ecosystems and resilient livelihoods

Mission

Enabling environment for Govt. Agencies, Private Sector, Communities, Non-Govt. Entities, Universities, Media, International Agencies and others to work together towards a shared vision of a clean, green and safe Kelani River Basin

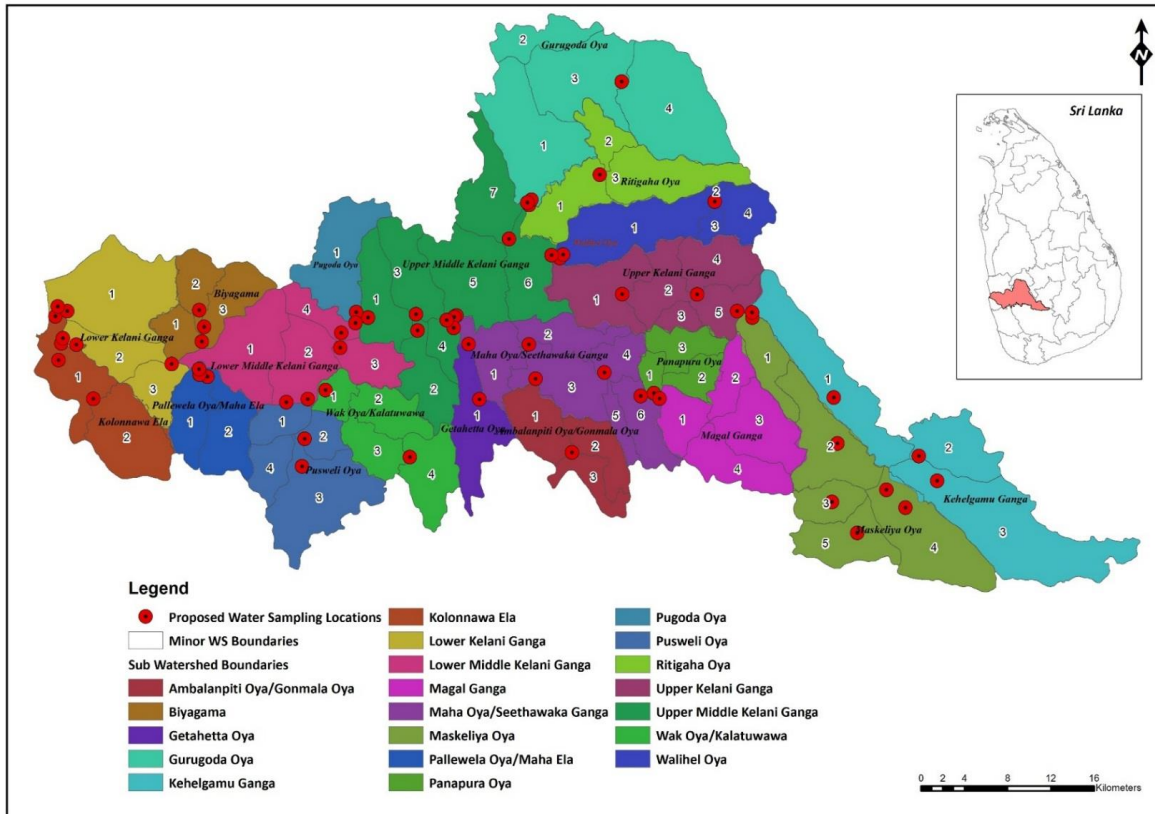
MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES

Management Objective	Description
A 	Land use management for source water protection and sustainability
B 	Industrial and Urban Management for Pollution Control and Sustainability
C 	Research, Studies, Awareness, Training and Education for Better Management and Conservation
D 	Operationalizing, Monitoring and Evaluation of the Kelani River Basin Management and Conservation Plan
E 	Public Private Partnerships contributing towards the sustainability of Kelani River Environment

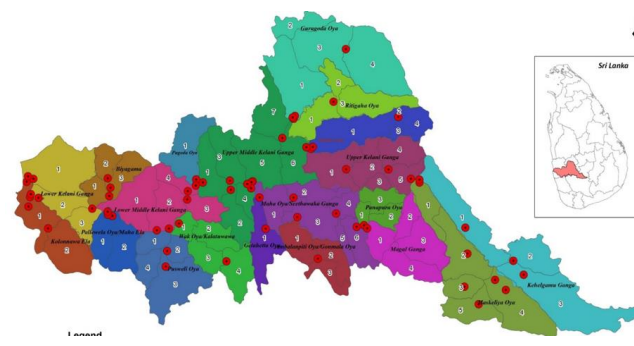
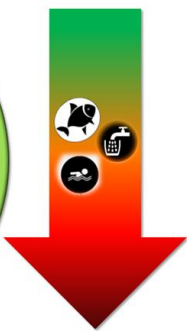
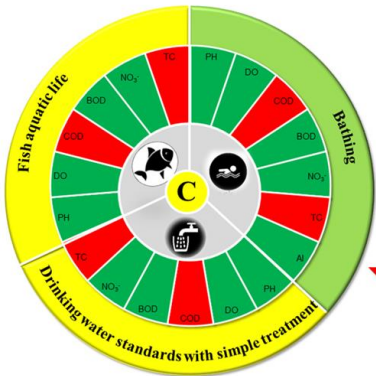
THREE LEVEL PROGRAMMING OF KRMP



WATER QUALITY MONITORING AT STRATEGIC LOCATIONS WITH OPTIONS FOR REAL TIME MEASUREMENTS



WATER QUALITY REPORTS



Nallathanniya
1233 m



Mausakelle Reservoir
1160 m



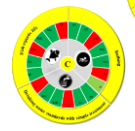
Norton bridge
876 m



Yatiyanthota
33 m



Kehelgamu Oya
226 m



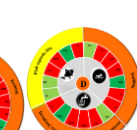
Polpitiya
108 m



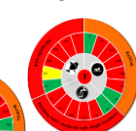
Pugoda
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Bomiriya
12 m



Biyagama
8 m



Kelanithissa
6 m

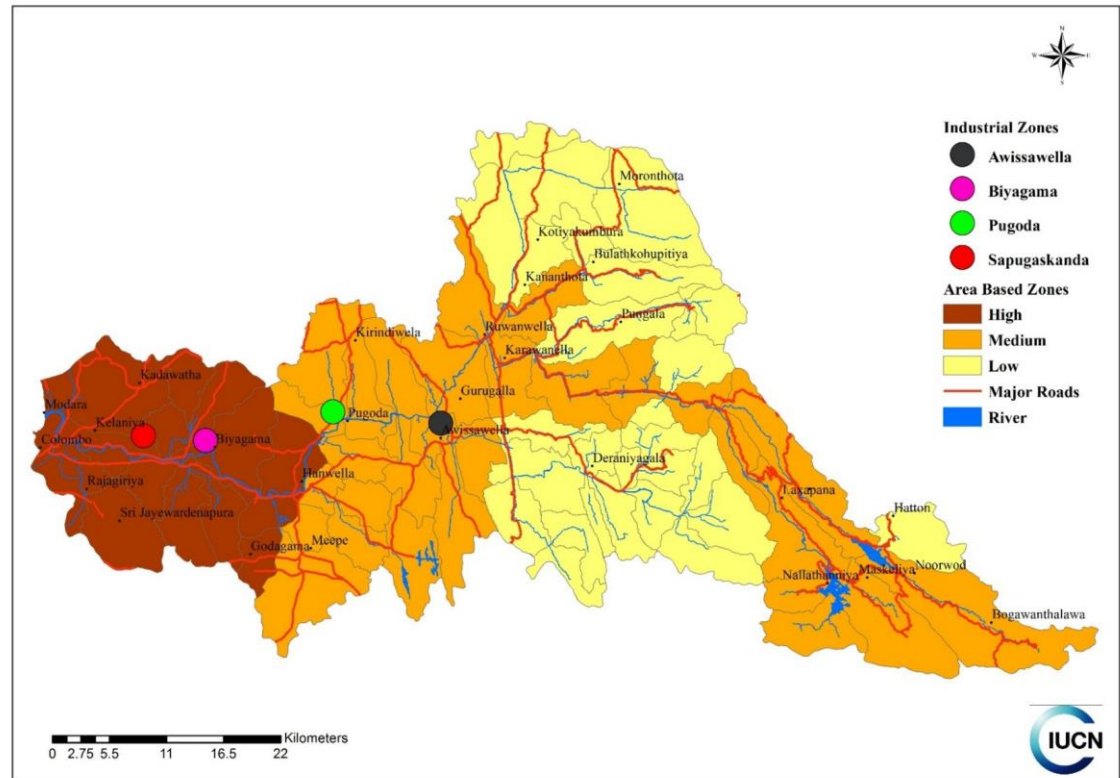


Industrial and Sewage Lines TC, BOD, COD, DO, AI, NO₃⁻

Agriculture and Sewage Lines TC, COD, NO₃⁻

MANAGEMENT PRIORITIES

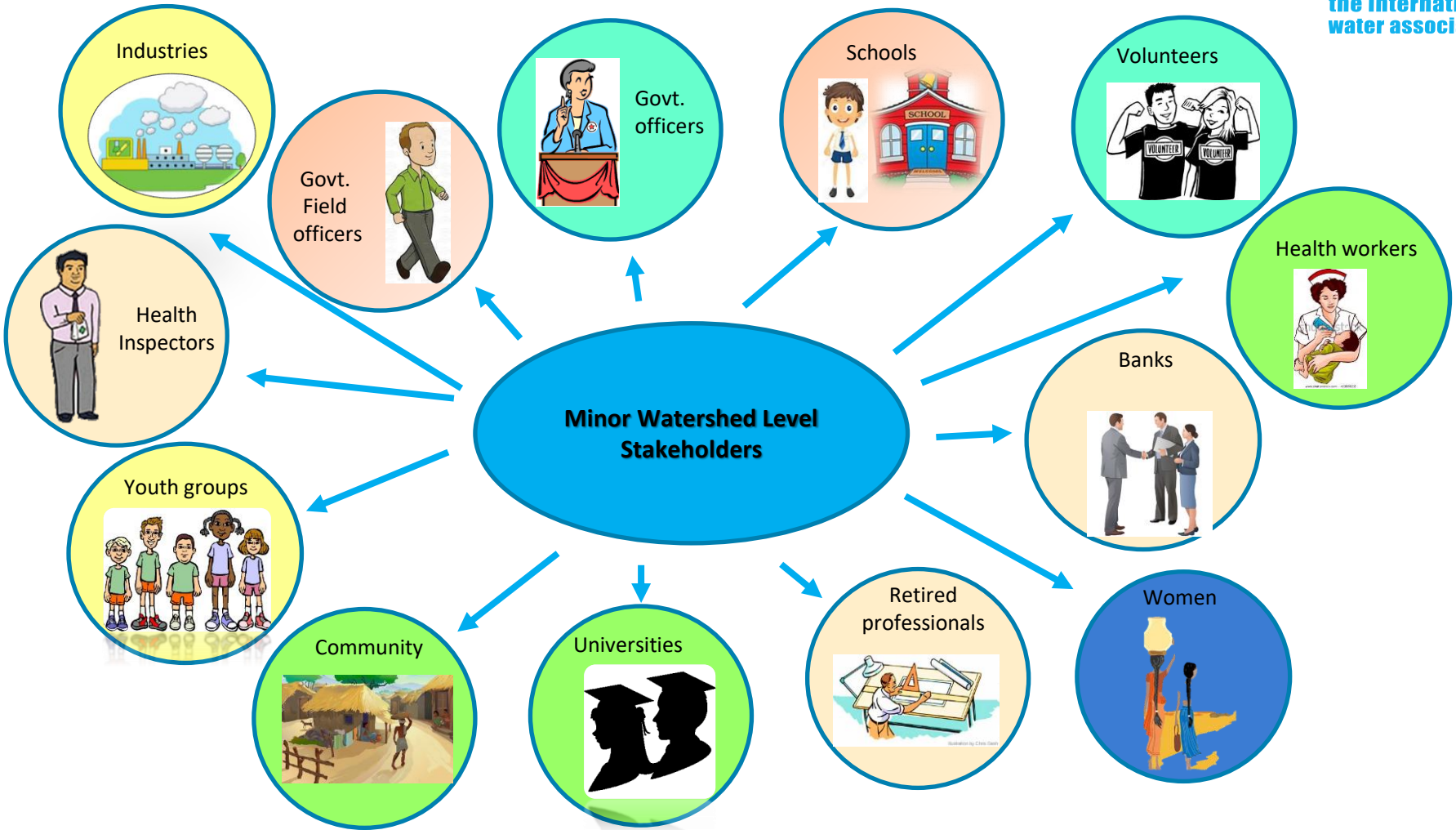
- Minor watershed clusters were prioritized using the water quality based report cards
 - Some areas may not need extensive programming
 - Number of areas need urgent attention
- BOI, NWSDB and CEA led waste water treatment improvements at BOI zones



MOBILIZATION AT COMMUNITY LEVEL – A UNIQUE MODEL



- Initial Government focus – Via District Administration
- Selection of a Govt. – NGO – Community mixed representation (eg: about 300 in each DS division)
- Incorporation of area based industries and private entities including potential roles in the Public-Private-Community Partnerships
- Agreements on work plans and monitoring systems
- Additional funding support to ensure quality delivery



ILLUSTRATIVE ACTIONS FOR PRIVATE-PUBLIC-COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS

Best practices and technologies

- Education, Awareness and Advocacy
- Household waste (compost/ biogas, ...)
- Medical, hazardous, Plastic, Electronic waste
- Recycling, reuse, waste exchange
- Waste water treatment
- Buffer strips and constructed wetlands
- Urban green spaces, nutrition, health education
- Water recycling and rain water harvesting
- Organic / Health Farming
- Nature tours and adventure tourism – new jobs
- Stream bank stabilization
- Student projects and university research
- Religious/cultural events related programming
- Youth camps, hands on activities, exchanges
- School competitions and hands on experiences
- Volunteer and sponsored activities
- Tree planting and upper watershed restoration
- Media engagement and rewards
- Keep adding



ADD TITLE



**Seethawaka Divisional Secretariat
Volunteers- aroun 200+
Private Sector Participation- around 10**



**Dompe Divisional Secretariat
Volunteers- aroun 300+
Private Sector Participation- around 10**

**Homagama Divisional Secretariat
Volunteers- around 300+
Private Sector Participation- around 5**



**Waththala Divisional Secretariat
Volunteers- around 30+
Private Sector Participation- around 5**



DIVERSE PUBLIC PRIVATE COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIP INITIATIVES LEADING TO SOCIAL ENTERPRISE MODELS, SUSTAINABILITY AND RESILIENCE

Biogas at
different scales

Adventure tourism

Minimizing land
degradation

Healthy People-
Healthy River

Plastics collection
and recycling

Nature Trails

Kelani Kids/Youth

Disaster
preparedness

Prevent Dengue

Value added
packaging

Glass recycling

Urban gardens with
community benefits

E-waste

Organic
products

Contract farming with
certifications

Waste to Agriculture
(Composting)

Soil quality
enhancements

Promoting research
activities

KRMP BEST MANAGEMENT PRACTICES: MENUS' FOR DIFFERENT SECTORS

Kids Menu

Waste Management

- Waste Separation
- Composting
- Biogas generation
- Waste free parties

Education and Awareness

- Environment Diaries
- Kids Facilitators

Healthy schools

Healthy Kids

- Organic Gardens
- Medicinal Gardens

Fun to Go Green

- Landscaping/beautifications
- Fun with school nature trails
- Eco Music

Household Menu

Fertilizer Management

- Fertilizer free home gardens and lawns

Waste Management

- Waste Separation, re-use, directing to recycle
- Composting
- Managing yards

Storm Water Management

- Landscaping (Small scale bio filters, bio retentions)

Urban Menu

Storm Water Management

- Urban Landscaping /Beautification
- (Bio retentions, Bio Filters)

Waste Management

- Waste Collection Centers and recycling
- Composting for urban beautification
- Central Biogas facilities

Sustainable consumption practices

- Urban Green Patches

THANK YOU.



Water Safety Planning Process at Catchment Management Level: Lessons Learnt from South Africa

THABISA MANXODIDI, EMANTI MANAGEMENT, SOUTH AFRICA



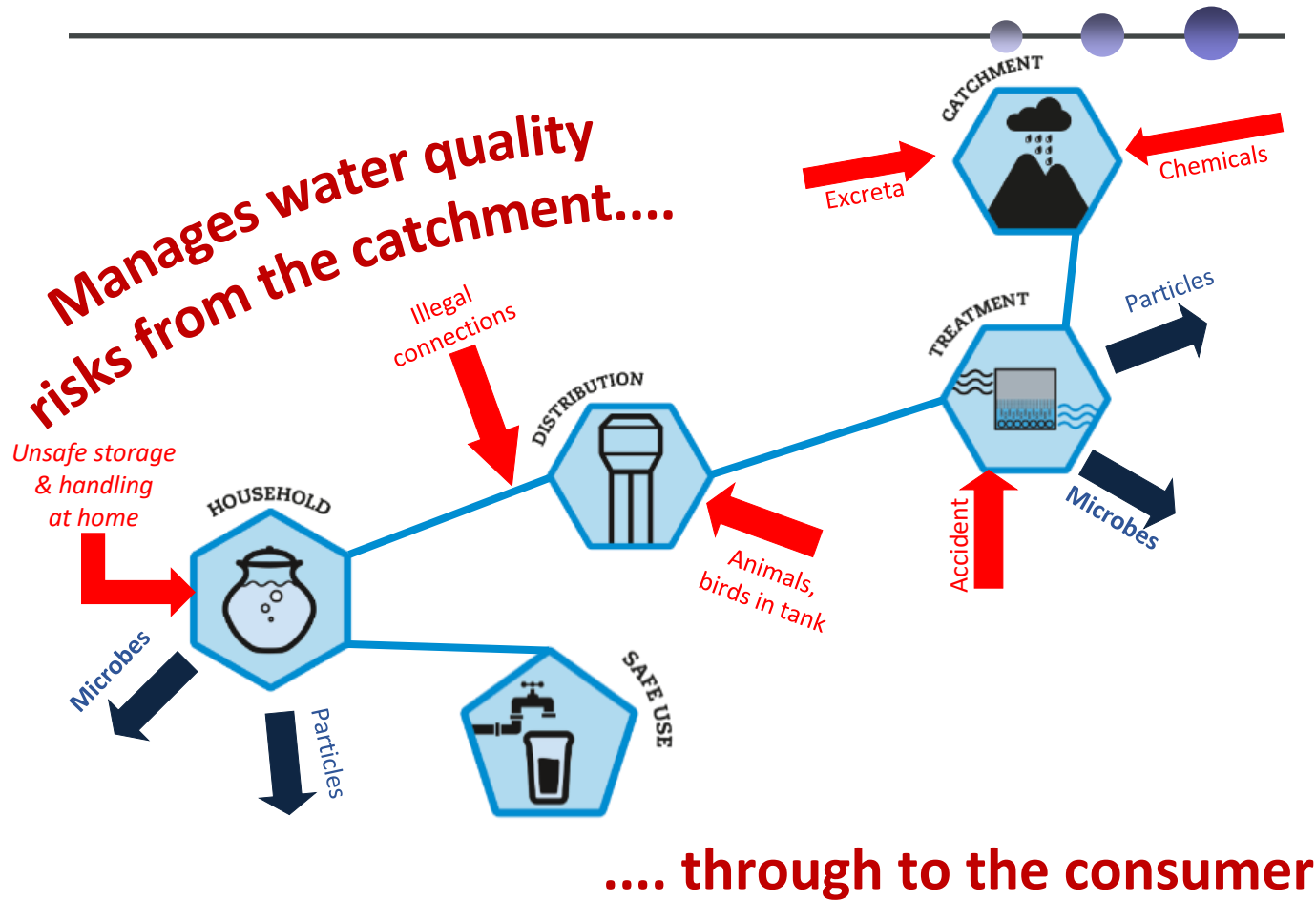
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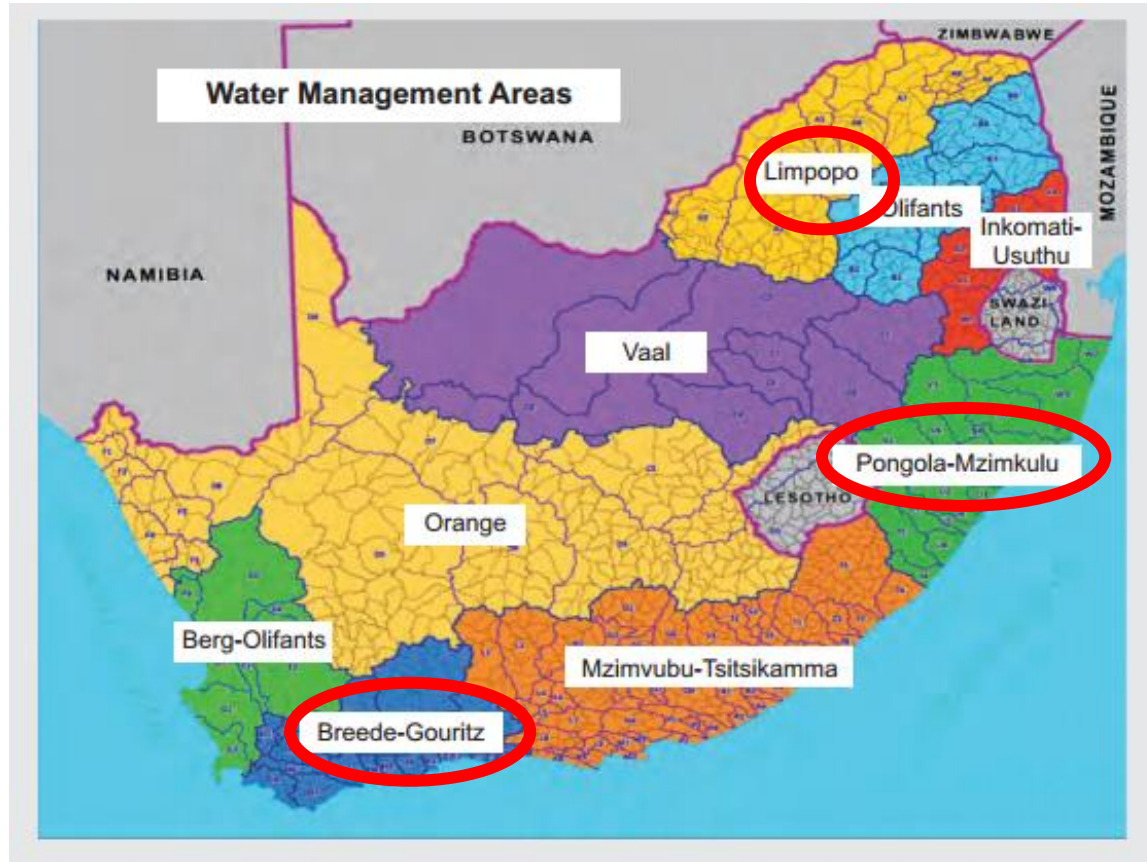
“Most effective means of consistently ensuring the safety of drinking-water supply”¹



WATER SAFETY PLANS



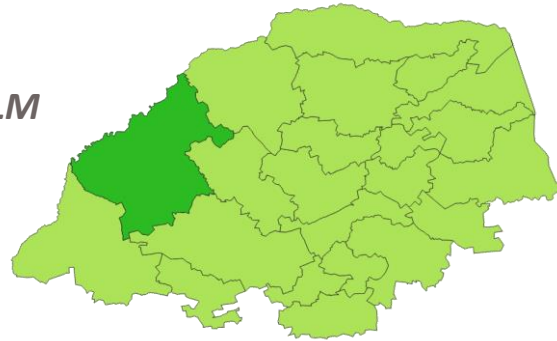
3 PILOT CMAS/WMAS



OUR PILOT MUNICIPALITIES



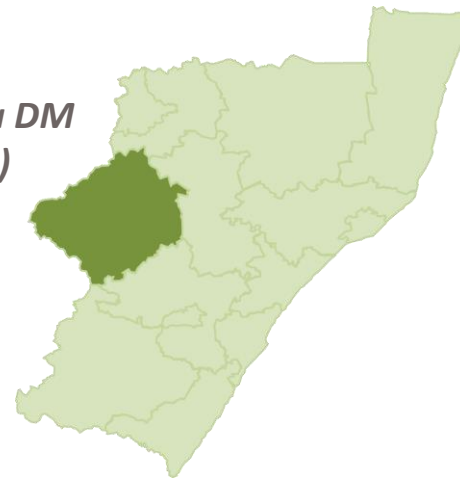
*Lephalale LM
(LP)*



*Witzenberg LM
(WC)*



*Uthukela DM
(KZN)*



PROJECT OUTCOMES/IMPACTS (1)

1. Assists WSIs to assess how water system components may be affected by climate change.
2. Provide specific guidance (based on local conditions and circumstance) on how to incorporate climate change data into WSPs, resulting in improved risk management (hazard identification, prevention and mitigation of risks) and informed decision-making.
3. Improved capacity of technical and operational staff to improve the performance of WTWs.
4. Trained management staff who are able to improve municipal efficiency in climate change WSP related activities and develop actions to mitigate such.



PROJECT OUTCOMES/IMPACTS (2)

5. Improved capacity of technical staff to gather and analyze climate data and make decisions to increase efficient operation of their water and wastewater systems
6. WSIs, CMAs/WMAs and other stakeholders are working collaboratively to ensure outcomes are aligned
7. Improved awareness and functionality of relevant water partners on their role in driving solutions to local problems
8. Improved capacity and willingness of all partners to cooperate in order to achieve the set goals
9. Improved capacity of staff to have effective dialogues at catchment level regarding all issues relating to clean and sufficient water (strategic, operational, etc.), including trans boundary catchments



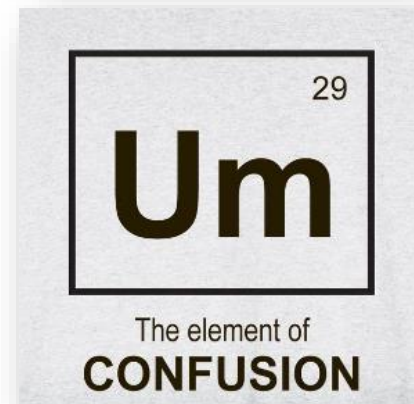
NEED FOR THE APPROACH?

- Overwhelming **YES!**
 - It is acknowledged that this has been ignored for some time, and engagements often only start when there is an emergency
 - Water use license can be used as a tool to drive improved inclusion of climate considerations



CHALLENGES WITH THE APPROACH AND METHODOLOGY?

- Not really!
- Will be useful for municipalities, water boards and other water and sanitation sector stakeholders
- **BUT**
- Require support from senior management to see the merit of including climate change impacts into planning considerations



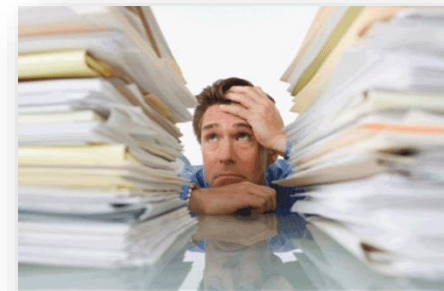
HOW TO MOBILIZE SUPPORT FROM CMAS AND WMAS?

- CMAs/WMAs responsible for water resource management – poor WTWs performance will impact water resources → important to be involved in WSP
- Promote use of the methodology
- Consider amendment of Blue Drop criteria
- Promote improved planning and budget allocation to building climate resilience



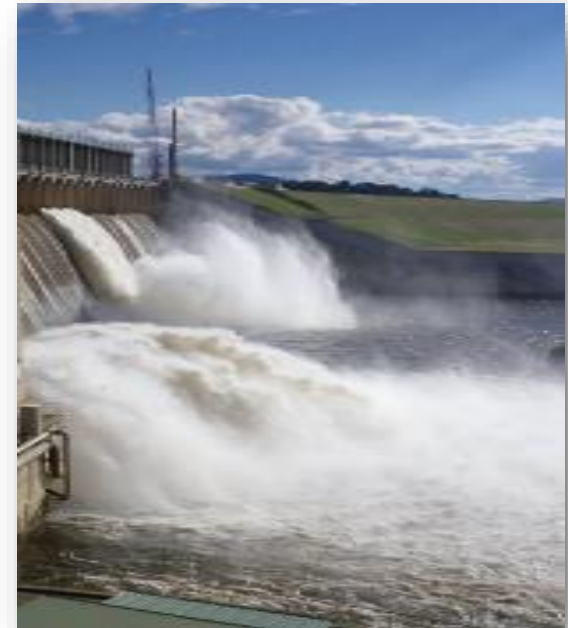
HOW TO IMPROVE INFORMATION/DATA SHARING AND INTEGRATED PLANNING AT A CATCHMENT LEVEL?

- Use existing forums/platforms
- Only effective if all participants contribute (e.g. identify challenges and what is being done/not done)
- Ensure provide value (e.g. raise awareness)
- Be involved in WSP
- Go out to sites and see what is happening on the ground

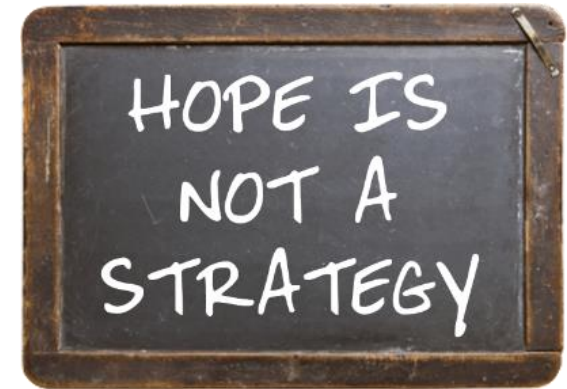


CMA/WMA NOTED CHALLENGES

- Do not have information regarding flood lines
- Uncontrolled activities at dams (e.g. sand mining)
- Illegal use, over-abstraction of groundwater, canal leakages
- Dams not filling up as expected; water unavailability → where is the water going?
- Lack of data/information sharing between transboundary countries (i.e. only high-level)
- Need for improved education on water resources
- Economic impacts (e.g. drought affected harvest)



PLANS TO DEAL WITH CLIMATE CHANGE IMPACTS?




- Disaster Management Plan
- Flood Management Plan
- Drought Management Plan
- Typical components
 - Team (e.g. Flood team, Joint Operating Committee)
 - Roles and responsibilities
 - Communication protocols
 - Response – know what to do

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Measures in place to support farmers amid drought

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Measures have been put in place to support farmers as a result of persisting drought conditions, Deputy President David Mabuza announced during the National Assembly on Tuesday, 23 June.



COMMON THEMES...LESSONS LEARNT

- Alignment
- Linking up
- Working closely with
- Collaborating
- Communicating
- Improved understanding of roles and responsibilities
- We are all in this together, and that to be successful, we need to work as a team
- To make an effective change, need support from all



COMMON THEMES...LESSONS LEARNT

- Basin authority officials are not usually involved in the development, implementation, assessment or auditing of a water safety plan
- No access to climate data/information, and
- Lack of understanding climate data/information and how to use it on a day-to-day basis.
- The basin authority officials should play a leading role with these advocacy and awareness efforts.

THANK YOU

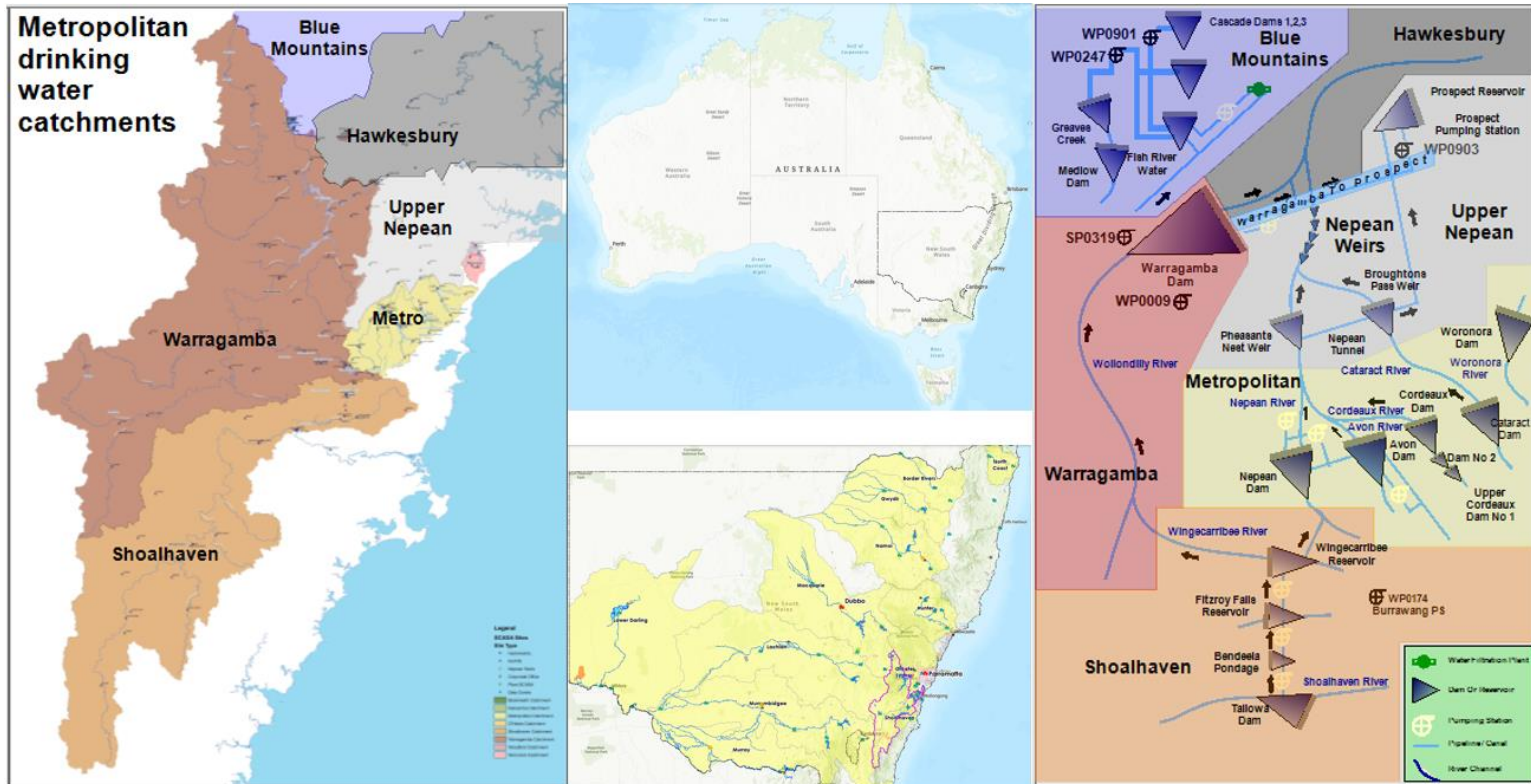


Catchment and Source Water Management for Sydney, Australia

ANDREW BALL



SYDNEY'S DRINKING WATER CATCHMENT



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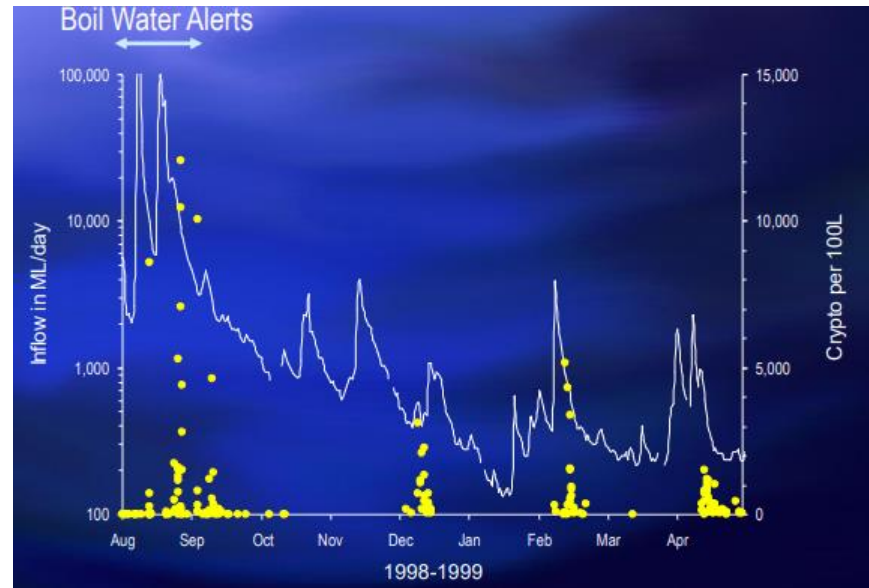
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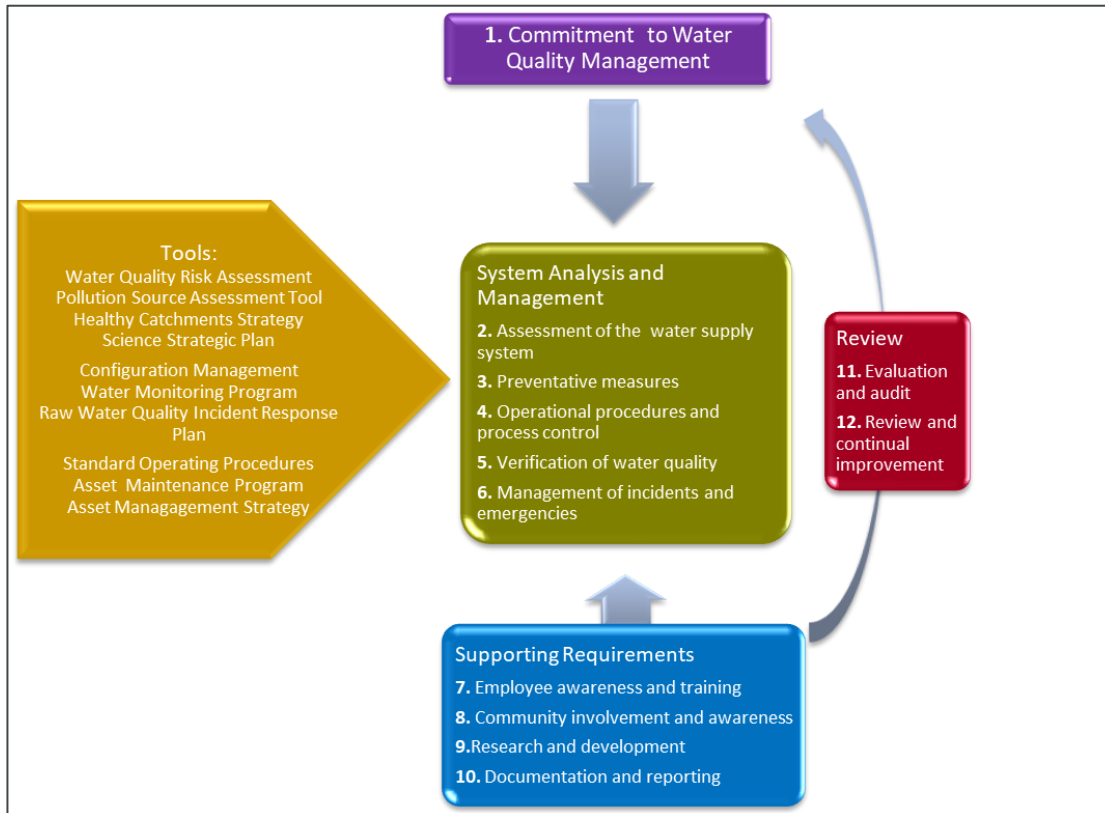
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We've spent three billion dollars to clean up Sydney's water. Now we can't drink it.

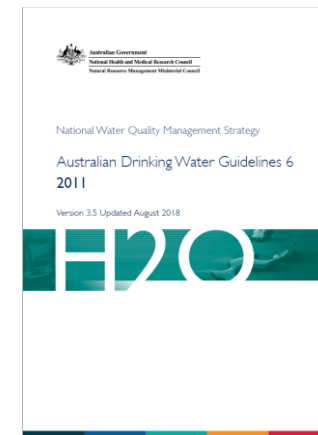
Sydney Morning Herald August 1998

WQMS ELEMENTS



Australian Drinking Water Guidelines



Chapter 3 Framework for Management of Drinking Water Quality: the twelve elements

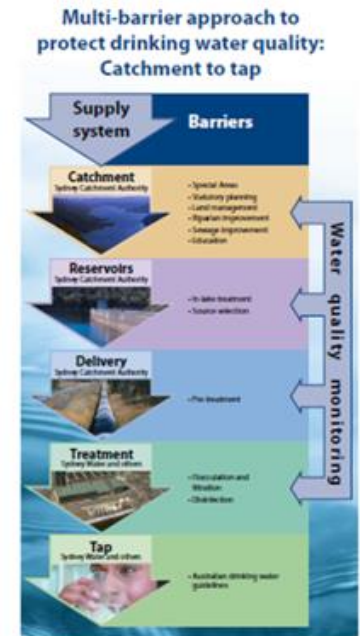
This chapter details the 12 elements that make up the Framework for Management of Drinking Water Quality (the Framework). Each element includes an introduction and a list of the components that make up that element, which are then described in further detail. A 'summary of actions' box heads each component, providing an overview of the steps involved in implementation.

Some elements of the Framework are more complex than others, and therefore require further explanation. The Appendix (located at the end of the Guidelines) provides additional information and guidance for two elements – *Assessment of the drinking water supply system* (element 2) and *Preventative measure for drinking water quality management* (element 5).

MULTI-BARRIER APPROACH

ADWG advocates managing water quality by identifying hazards and controls at each barrier within the water supply system from catchment to customer:

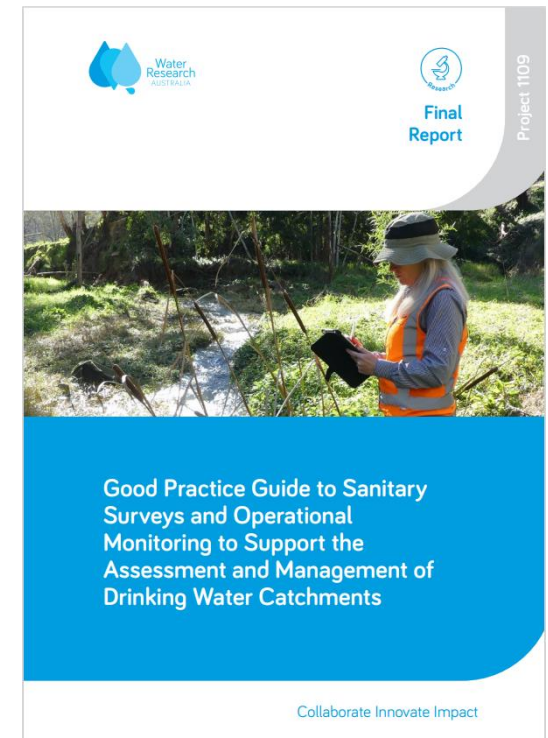
- **Catchment protection**
 - Identify land uses and pollutant sources and work with local government and landowners to mitigate risks to water quality
- **Storages**
 - Water quality advisors monitor inflows and in-lake processes and recommend actions to optimise raw water supplied for treatment (e.g. offtake levels)
 - In summer, surface water may be impacted by algae, in winter deeper water may be impacted by metals or elevated colour
- **Treatment**
 - Health related parameters may not be removed via conventional treatment processes and should meet ADWG in raw water supplied for treatment
 - Raw Water Supply Agreements list standards for parameters that may impact on treatment processes, such as metals, organics and physical parameters, these are generally not health related
 - Operational targets represent the customer's ideal water quality for treatment
 - WaterNSW treats water at Duckmaloi WFP for supply to Fish River



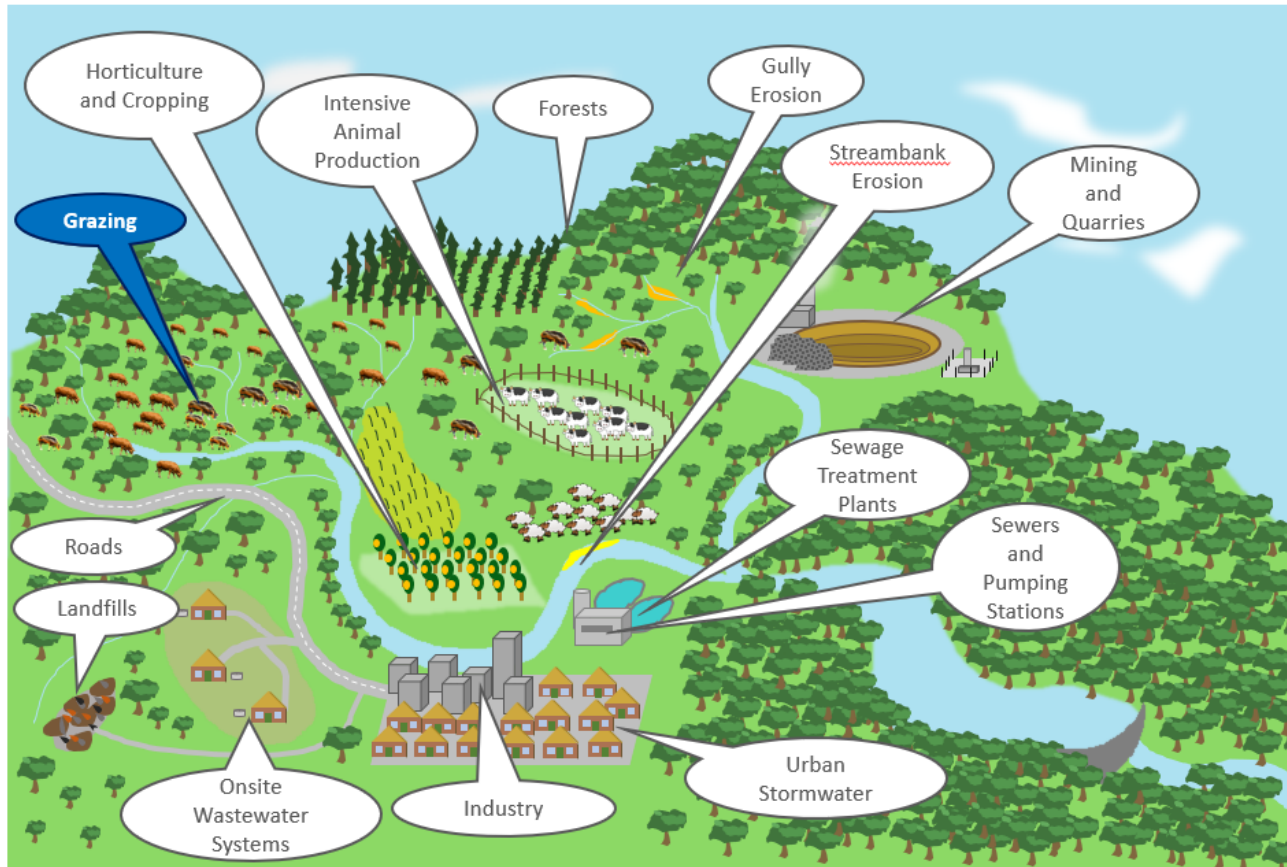
KNOWING WHAT HAZARDS ARE PRESENT IN THE CATCHMENT

Sanitary Survey – diffuse and point sources of hazards:

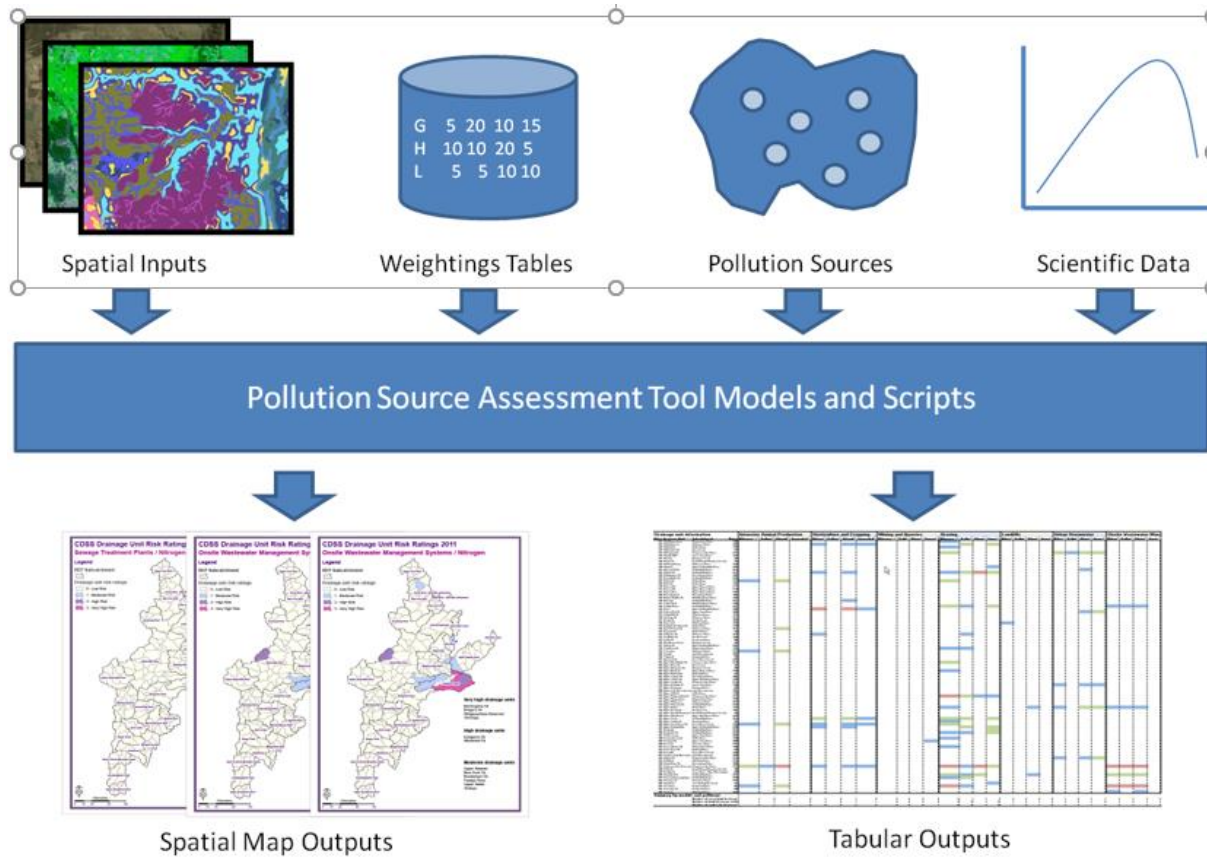
- of health concern (eg pathogens, pesticides, cyanotoxins)
- that promote cyanobacterial blooms (e.g. nutrients)
- of aesthetic concern (eg taste & odour)
- that challenge the treatment process (e.g. natural organic matter)



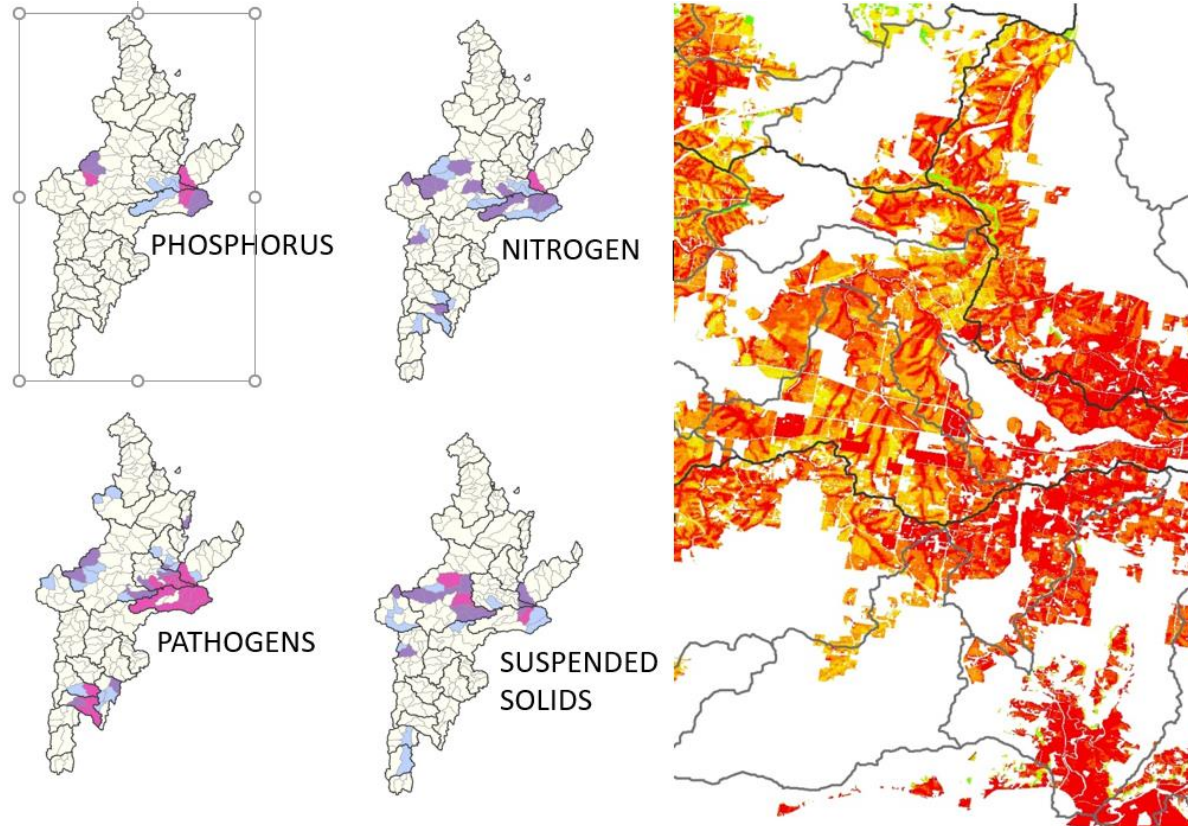
PSAT - MAPPING HAZARDS AND ASSESSING RISKS



THE EVIDENCE BASE BEHIND PSAT



MAPPING RELATIVE RISKS



MANAGING POINT SOURCES

Sewage Treatment Plants

- STP upgrades
- Notification of overflows and partial bypasses
- Monitoring program
- On-site sewage (septic tanks etc) inspections

Intensive animal production

- Dairy shed effluent ponds
- Calf rearing management

MANAGING DIFFUSE SOURCES

Legislative

- declared special areas and closed catchments

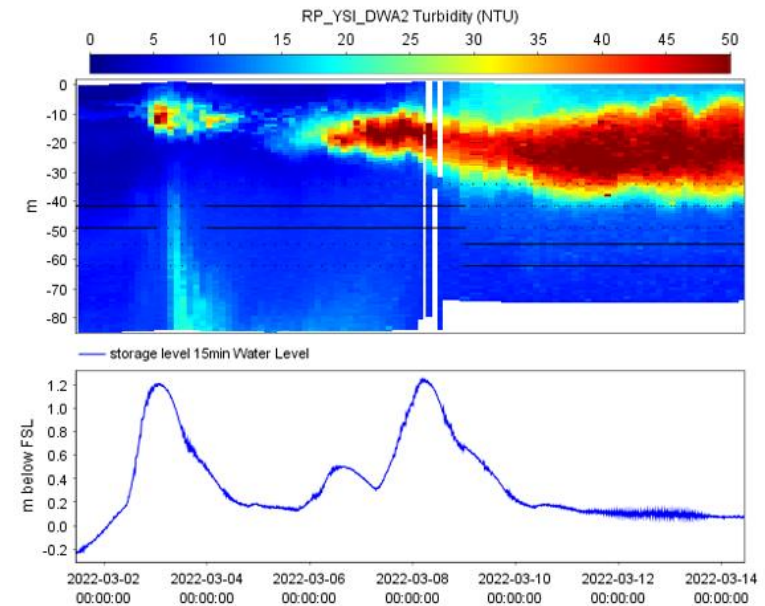
Working with stakeholders (councils, landowners)

- stormwater abatement
- riparian fencing/planting
- on-site sewage treatment – inspection and advice

Catchment/storage model development to support land management, water supply operations, risk assessment and strategic planning

MANAGING STORAGES

- Monitoring – routine and in events (catchment streams, inflows, storages, offtakes)
 - to identify sources
 - avoiding intrusions
 - long-term risk assessment/trend analysis
- Vertical profilers and SCADA
 - real-time water quality
- Avoiding intrusions of dirty water
 - selective offtakes / alternate sources



CHALLENGES

- Increasing population and urbanisation
 - including pressure for recreational access
- Increasing extreme events – bushfires, floods
 - increasing NOM – filtration and DBPs
 - more frequent cyanobacterial blooms
- Emerging hazards (PFAS, micro-plastics, BMAA?)
- Quantifying the benefits of catchment management (optimise investment)

Our Vision:

A healthy catchment that can continue to deliver safe, clean water through world class source water protection and shared responsibility across the community.

Over the past 20 years, WaterNSW has developed a strong scientific knowledge and understanding of water quality risks in Sydney's drinking water catchment. Based on this foundation WaterNSW has established a set of six key priorities for source water protection over the next 20 years.

Source Water Protection Strategy 2040 Sydney Catchment area

01

Creating water sensitive towns

Partnerships that improve urban water practices, towards near natural stream hydrology.

02

Ensuring water quality compatible development

Contemporary standards and practices that ensure new development has a neutral or beneficial effect on water quality.

03

Integrating water quality policy and practice

Planning instruments, policies, strategies, standards, and guidelines to protect infrastructure and water quality.

04

Increasing regenerative agriculture

Improved farming practices, waterway conditions, and water quality in creeks and rivers.

05

Fulfilling land management responsibilities

Strategic planning, partnerships, and daily operations that respond to water quality risks, particularly from fire, recreation, access, pests, and weeds.

06

Enforcing catchment protection laws

Compliance activities and a visible presence as a deterrent to illegal and unauthorised activities to protect long term water quality.

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