The degree to which ocean regions are free of contaminants such as chemicals, eutrophication, harmful algal blooms, disease pathogens, and trash.

 x_{cw} the status of the clean waters goal, calculated only for the first 3 nm of ocean for a region's EEZ

$$x_{cw} = \sqrt[4]{a * u * l * d}$$

a := 1 — the number of people without access to sanitation, rescaled to the global maximum

u:=1 – nutrient input, rescaled at the raster level by the 99.99th quantile value

l:=1 - chemical input, rescaled at the raster level by the 99.99th quantile value

d := 1 — marine debris, rescaled at the raster level by the 99.99th quantile value