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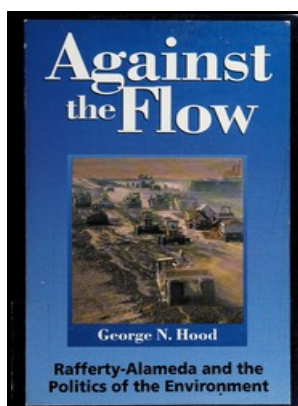
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## Water

Each year, operating plans for the refuges on the Souris River will be presented to the Board. Sources: Data from Gregor and Johnson 1980 , Neilson et al. This has occurred despite enormous changes in the species of fish present, fishing technology, intensity of eutrophication, pollution by toxic chemicals, habitat damage caused by damming rivers required for spawning, and sedimentation of shallow habitat by soil eroded from deforested parts of the watershed.

## Environmental & Wildlife Treaties & Agreements to Which Canada is a Signatory Party

This kind of facility utilizes riverflow according to its seasonal availability. Such controversy has been sufficient to halt some proposals often in concert with concerns about economic and energy-supply issues. Eutrophication Eutrophic waters are well supplied with nutrients, and as a result they are highly productive.

## View Treaty

Groundwater can be an extremely valuable natural resource, especially in regions where lakes and rivers are not abundant. A theory called the Principle of Limiting Factors states that certain ecological processes are controlled by whichever environmental factor is present in the least supply relative to demand.

## Canada

Both inland and marine waters can become eutrophic through increases in their nutrient supply, although the problem is more common in fresh waters. That legal decision gave the federal EARP guidelines the force of law, making it mandatory to do such assessments for any development

proposals involving the federal government. Phosphorus removal may be achieved by adding aluminum, iron, calcium, or other chemicals that develop insoluble precipitates with phosphate, which then settle out of the water, removing 90% or more of the phosphorus.

### **Mandate**

Large impoundments are the most common type of major hydroelectric facility in Canada. This advance in DCA modelling will facilitate longer-term large basin-scale simulations that are more representative for the Prairie region.

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