



#### An Integrated System For Water Resources Monitoring, Economic Evaluation and Management

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# **Topics**

- Water resources monitoring
  - Technology
  - Water quality variables
  - # GIS
- Water resources management
- Socio-economic analysis
  - The concept of economic value
  - Monetary valuation of water resources



#### Technology

- WATERMAN System for Monitoring and Control of the Situation of Waste Receivers and Automatic Alarming
- Covers the need for an integrated and complete system for the monitoring and management of water resources for a whole river basin
- Originates from a COPERNICUS pilot project



#### Water quality variables

- Basic variables
- Suspended particulate matter
- Organic pollution indicators
- Indicators of eutrophication
- Indicators of acidification
- Specific major ions



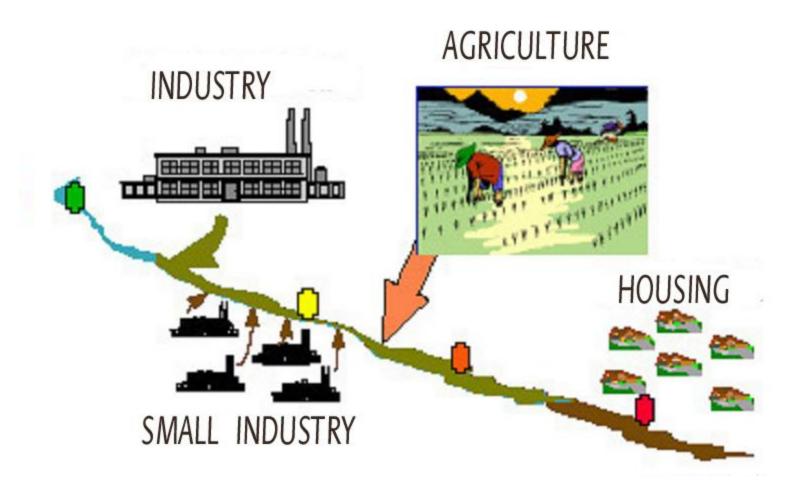
- Water quality variables
  - Metals
  - Organic micropollutants
  - Indicators of radioactivity
  - Microbiological indicator organisms
  - Biological indicators



#### **GIS**

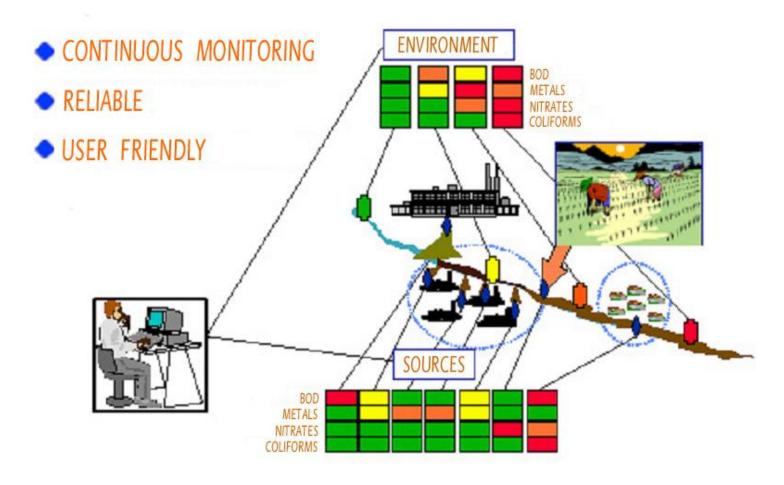
- A map with 'point-click' access to information, such as
  - sources of pollution with emissions and facility characteristics
  - inspection data
  - outstanding complaints
  - enforcement actions

# Water resources management





# Water resources management





- The concept of economic value
  - **Use** Value
  - Non use value
    - Existence value
    - Vicarious value
    - Option value
    - Quasi-option value
    - Bequest value



- Monetary valuation of water resources
  - Market based
    - Market Price
  - Based on adjacent/corollary markets
    - Property value
  - Based on shadow market analysis
    - Contingent valuation (WTP, WTA)



- Surface Water uses/services
  - Provision of drinking water
  - Provision of water for crop irrigation
  - Provision of water for livestock
  - Provision of water for food product processing
  - Provision of water for other manufacturing processes
  - Provision of cooling water for power plants



- **♥** Surface Water uses/services
  - Provision of erosion, flood, and storm protection
  - Transport and treatment of wastes and other byproducts of human economic activity
  - Support of recreational swimming, boating, fishing, hunting, trapping and plant gathering
  - Support of commercial fishing, hunting, trapping, plant gathering



- **♥** Surface Water uses/services
  - Support of on-site observation or study of fish, wildlife, and plants for leisure, educational, or scientific purposes
  - Support of indirect, off-site fish, wildlife, and plant uses (e.g. viewing wildlife photos)
  - Provision of clean air through support of living organisms



- **♥** Surface Water uses/services
  - Provision of clean water through support of living organisms
  - Regulation of climate through support of plants
  - Provision of non-use services associated with surface water or wetlands or ecosystems

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