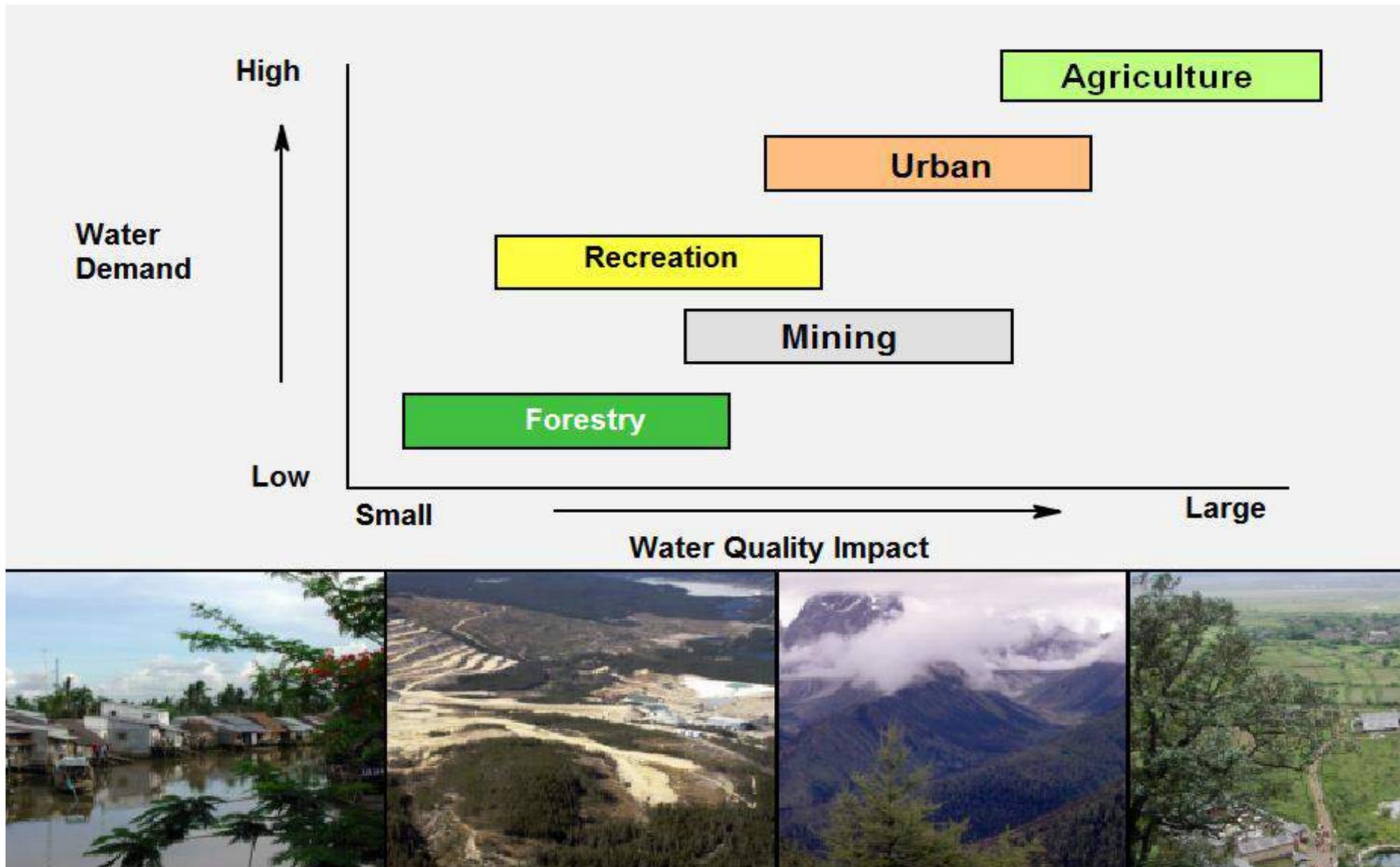


Land Use Impacts on Water Resources



Water Quality and Quantity Issues Associated with Different Land Uses

Urbanization

Flooding = Densification & Impervious Surfaces
Non-Point Sources = Wide Range of Contaminants
Water Demand = Rapid Urban Growth

Agriculture

Water Demand = More Irrigation & Change in Diets
Water Pollution = Eutrophication, Nutrients & Pathogens

Mining

Water Pollution = Metals (Hg, Pb), Cyanide
Sediments = Surface Exposure, Tailings

Forestry

Stream Flow = Logging, Forest Fires, Disease
Sediments = Logging Roads

Recreation

Water Pollution = Pathogens, Pharmaceuticals, Sediments
Water Demand = Local, Peak Season

Key Water Issues

Urban Expansion

Increasing demand for safe drinking water
Increasing Waste Water
Increasing Non-point sources of pollution
Increase flooding during storms events



Agricultural Intensification

Greater water demand for irrigation
Non-point sources of pollution
Manure Management Problems
Virtual Water

Water & Environment

Increasing requirement to maintain sufficient flow during dry season to maintain biota and environmental services
Maintaining natural variability



Increased Climatic Variability

Higher and earlier peakflow
Lower baseflow
Warmer Temperatures
Glacier melt
Rain on snow events
More floods & droughts

Hydropower

Increasing demand for Green Energy
More hydro dams
More Run-of-River Systems

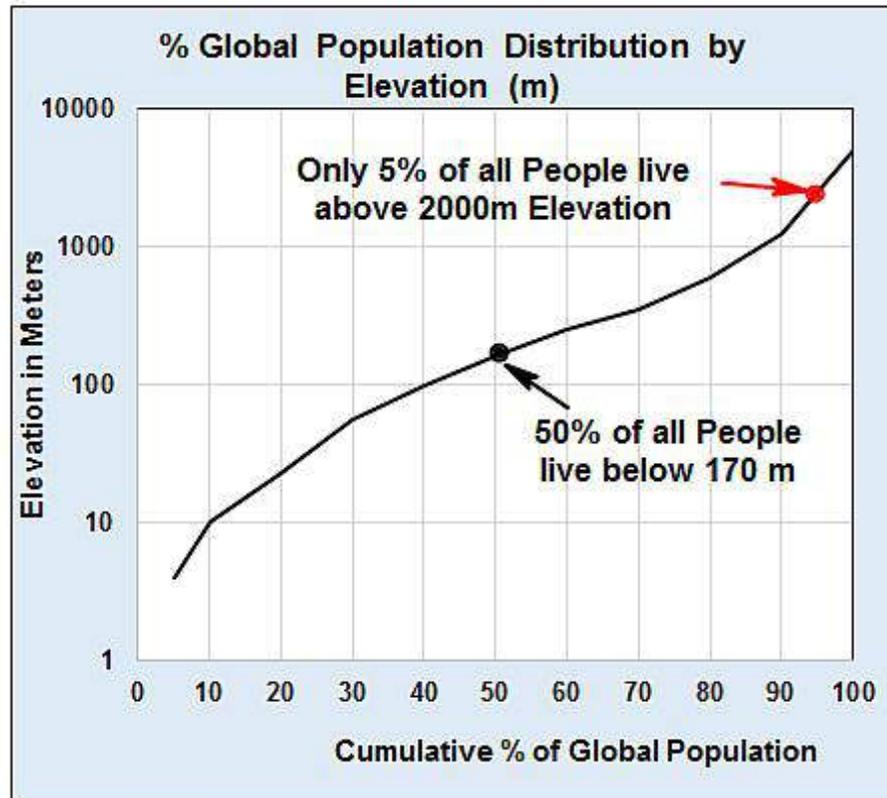


Water Quality Problems

NPS & cumulative effects
Pharmaceutical
Poor Wastewater Treatment
Eutrophication
Chemical interactions

Urban Issues in Mountains

Urbanization in Mountains



Data Source: B. Rankin 2016, Radical Cartography

Cities at High Elevations in Latin America

Quito, Bogota, Cali, Mexico City, La Paz etc.

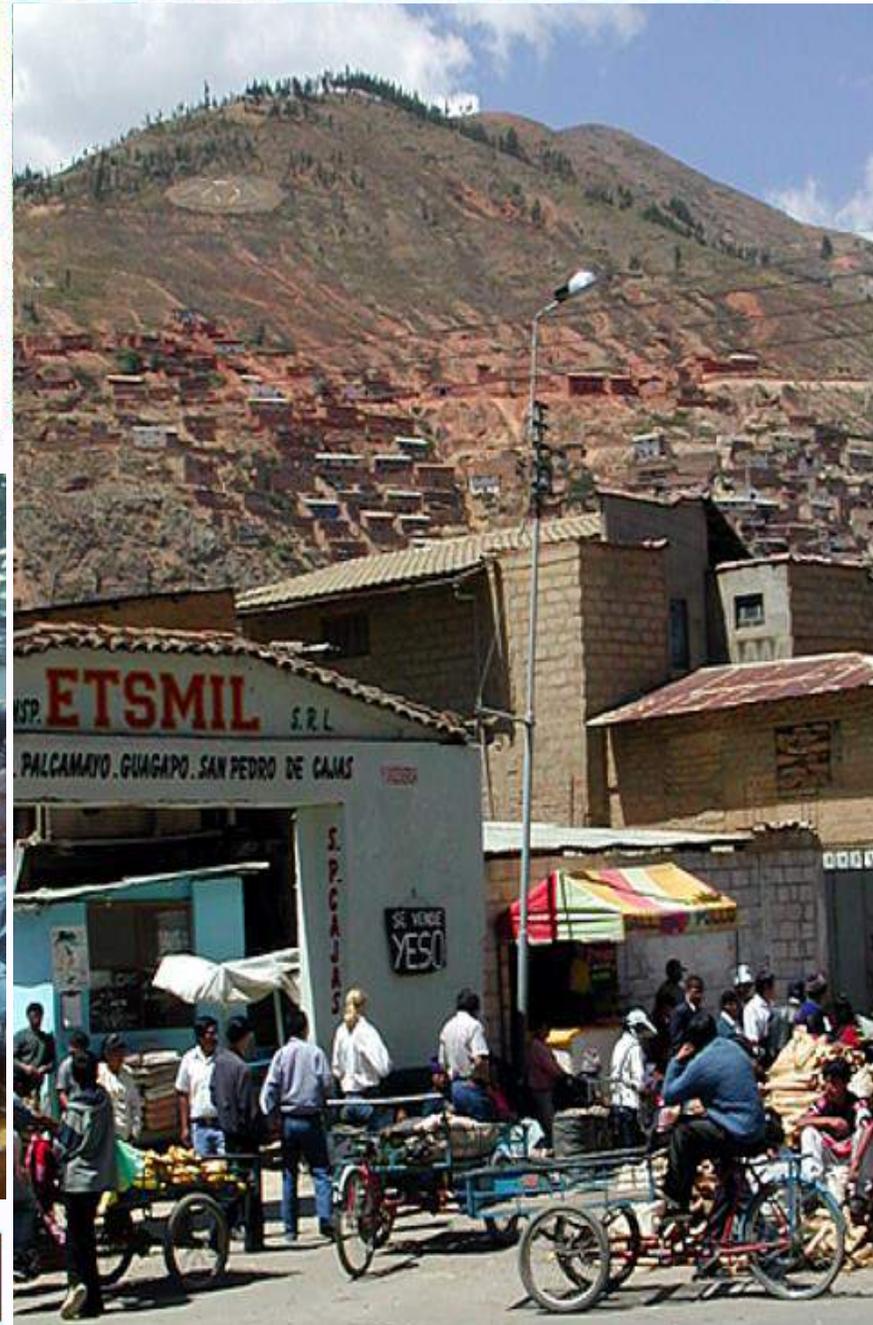
La Paz, Bolivia

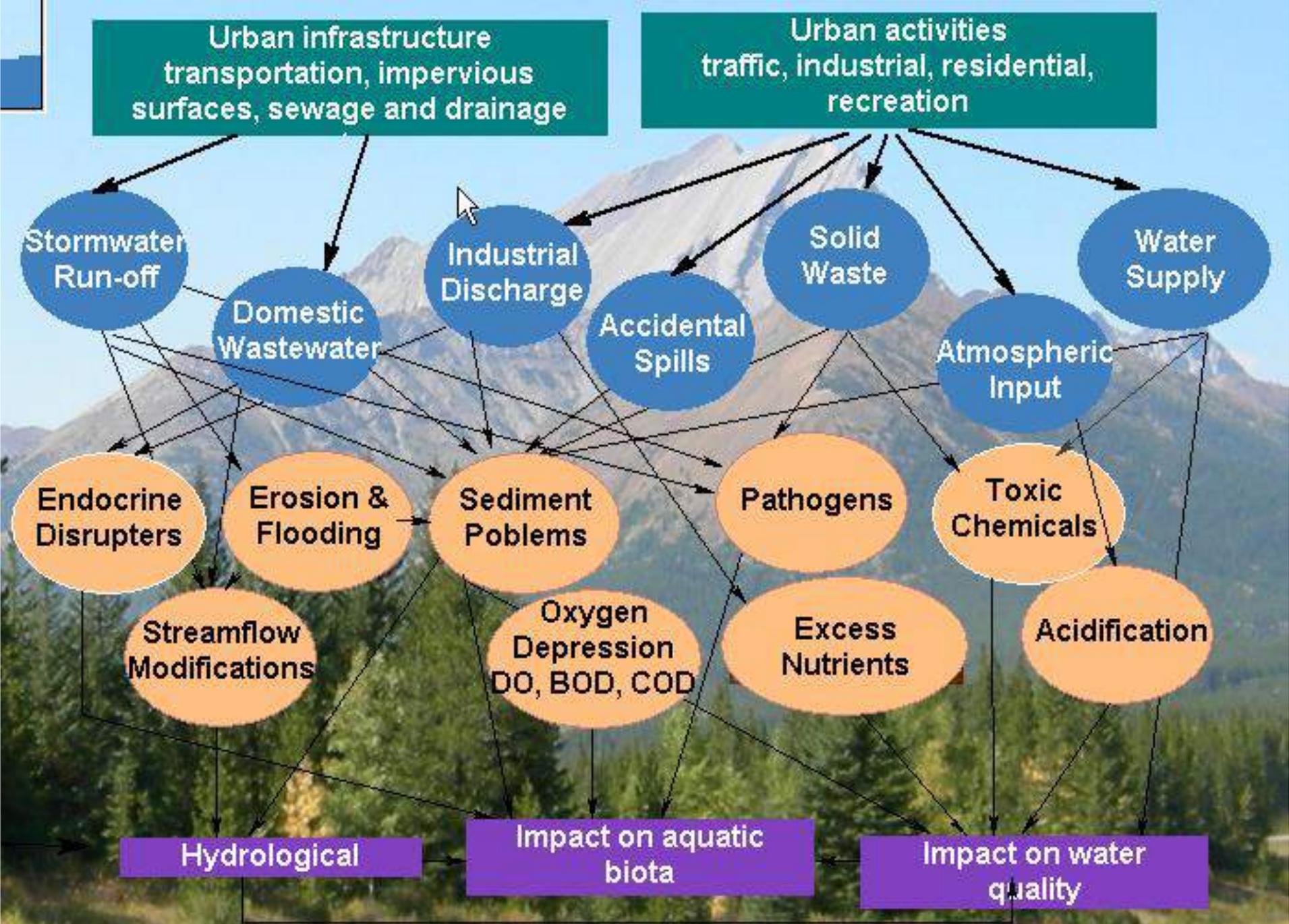


Mountain Population	920 Million	13% of World
Living above 1500m	450 Million	50% of Mt. People
Urban Mt. Population	280 Million	30% of Mt. People
Urban Mega Cities	25 Million	Cities 2-9 Million

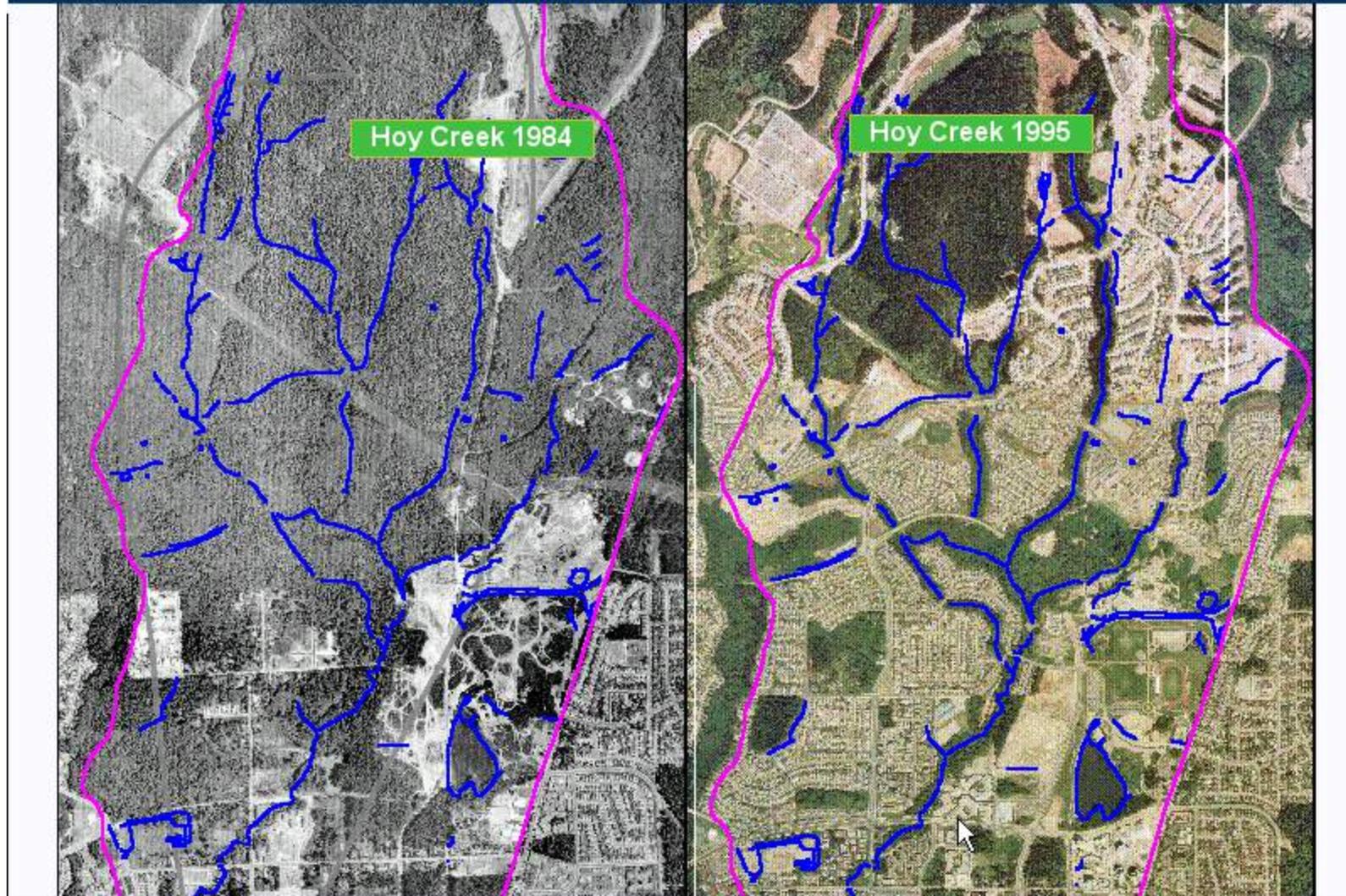


Food Insecurity	330 Million	40% of Mt. People
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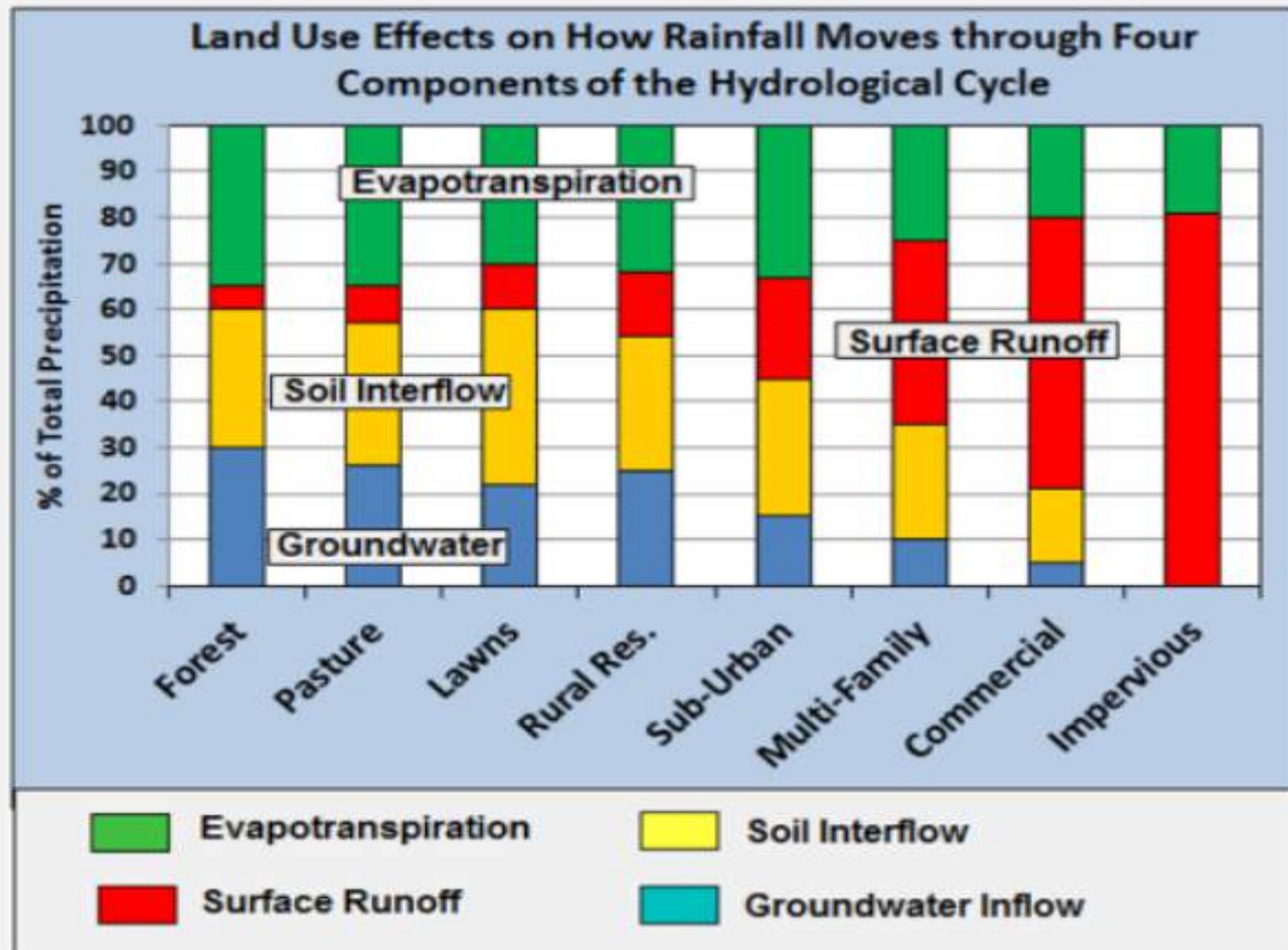


Imperviousness & Soil Compaction



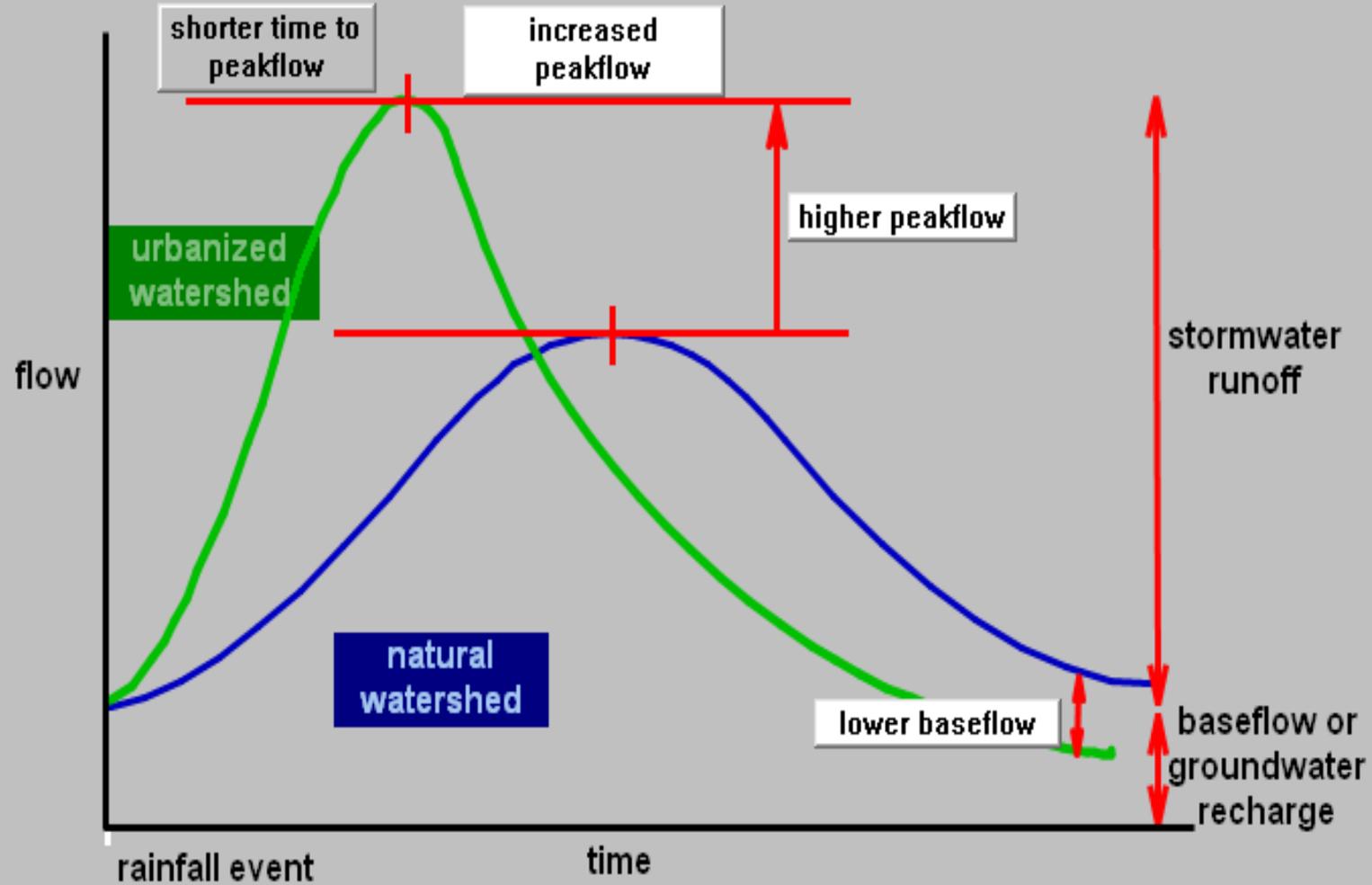
Rainfall Redistribution by Land Use

Note:
Change in
Surface
Runoff as a
result of land
use changes
(in Red)

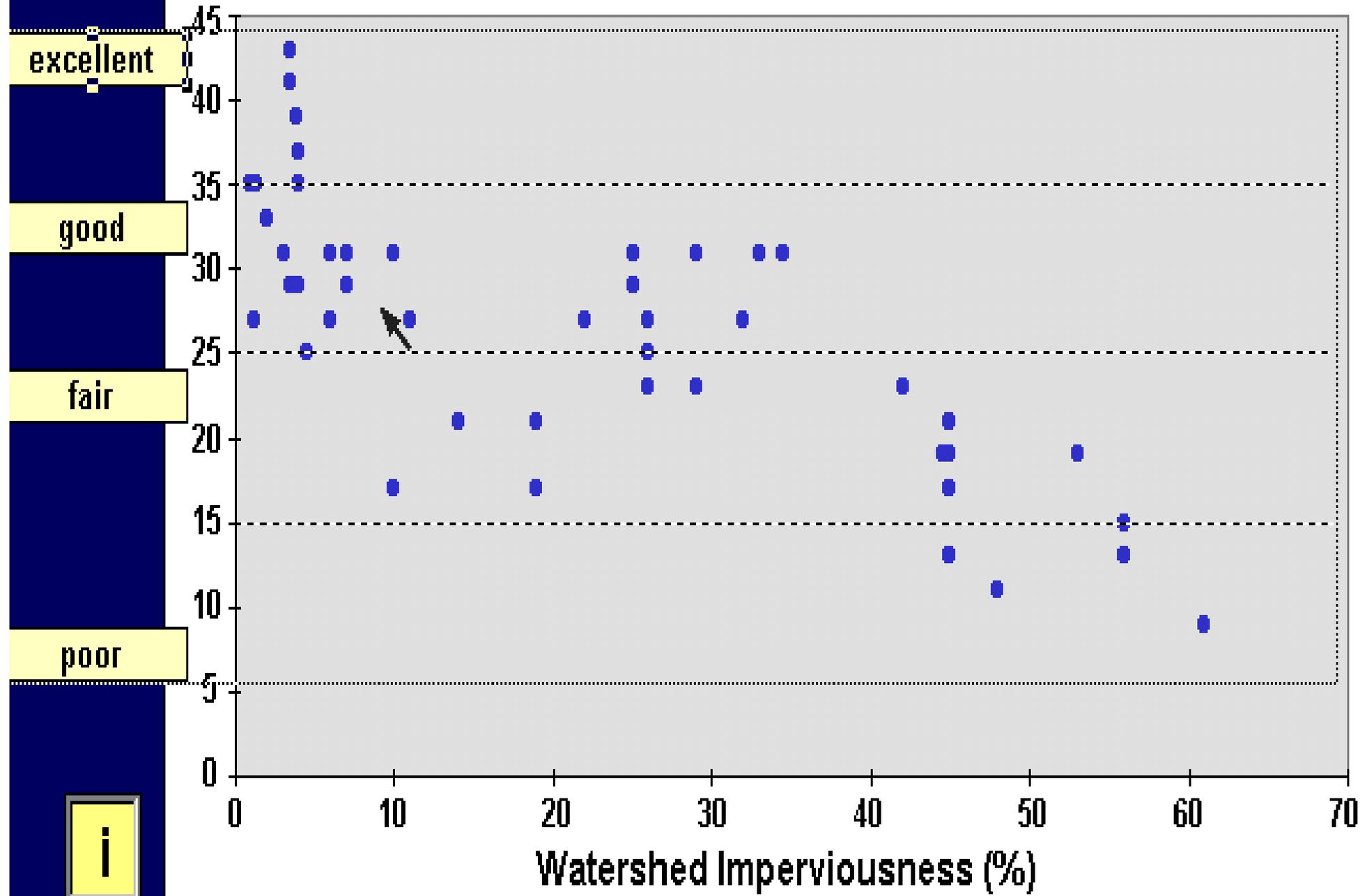


Streamflow Conditions

Main impacts of urbanization on the generalized hydrograph



Benthic Index of Biotic Integrity



Impervious Surfaces and Conveyance Systems = Increases Pollution

Typical Non-Point Sources of Pollution (NPS)

Deposition of atmospheric pollutants (NO_x, SO_x)

Nutrient & Pesticides from applications to lawns, golf courses, right-of-ways

Land clearing and construction activities

Accidental spills and illegal dumping of waste



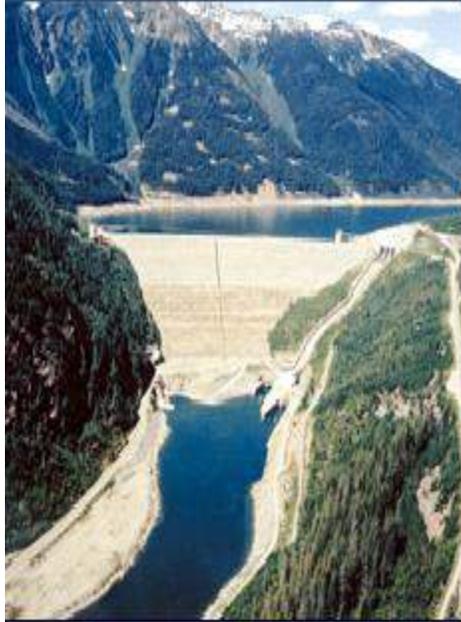
Vehicle traffic, wear and tear exhaust fumes and leaks in parking lots

Organic Materials and pathogens from animal wastes (pets & wildlife)

Combined sewers and septic systems discharges

Commercial and Industrial runoff and discharge

Water Supplies & Conservation



Reservoir



Lake Water

Domestic Water Sources



Groundwater



Spring Water



Rainwater Harvesting

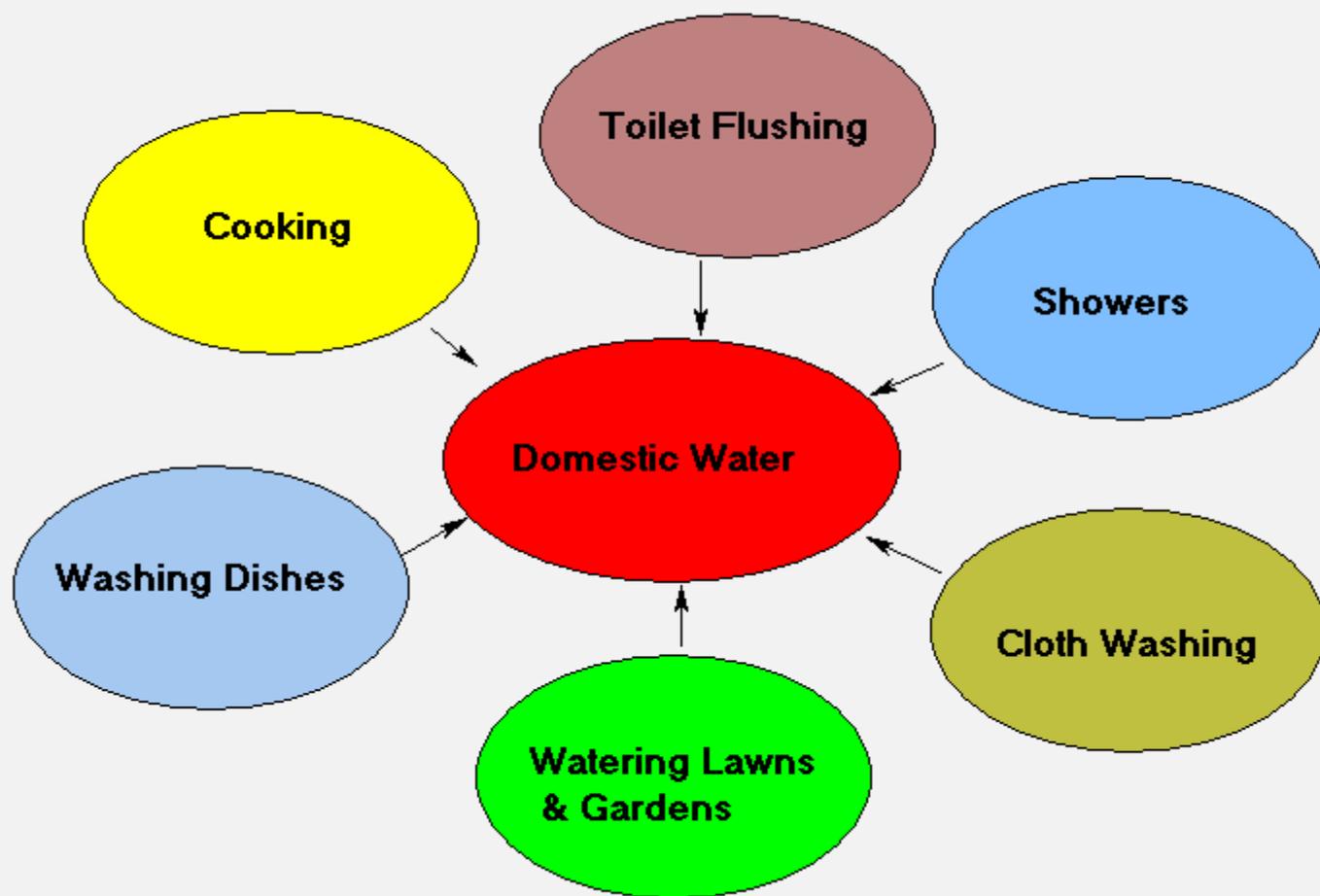


Streamwater

Examples:
Everest Water from Texas
Yosemite Water from LA Municipal Sources
Glacial & Arctic Water from Florida



Multiple Use of Water



Wastewater

BLUE WATER

Rainfall that ends up into lakes, rivers & groundwater

GREEN WATER

Rain interception in soils & plants and evapotranspired

WHITE WATER

Water evaporated leaving the watershed (non-productive)

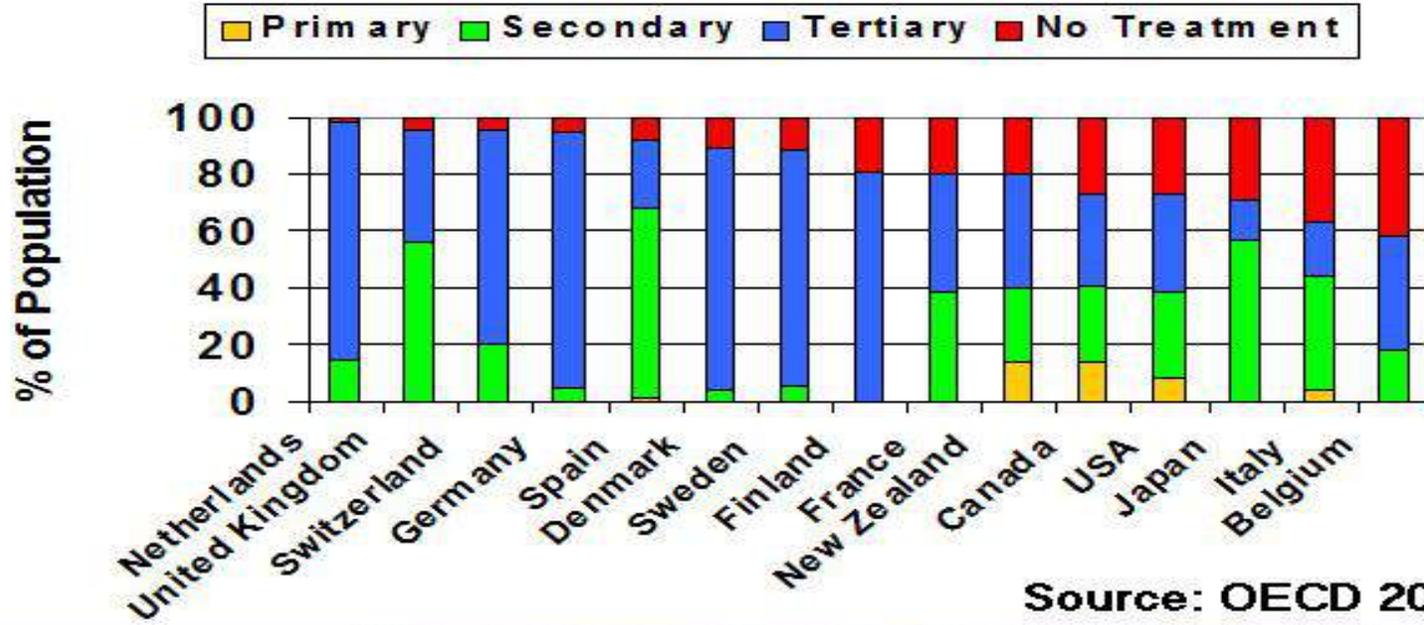
GREY WATER

Wastewater, polluted but usable for certain purposes

BLACK WATER

Wastewater, heavily polluted, not economically unusable

% of Population with Different Levels of Wastewater Treatment



Source: OECD 2008



Chapman Lake; Water Supply for 28000 People on the Sunshine Coast, B.C.



Chapman Creek Reservoir, Sunshine Coast, B.C.

Photo Sources:
Monte Staats 2014

July 2012



September



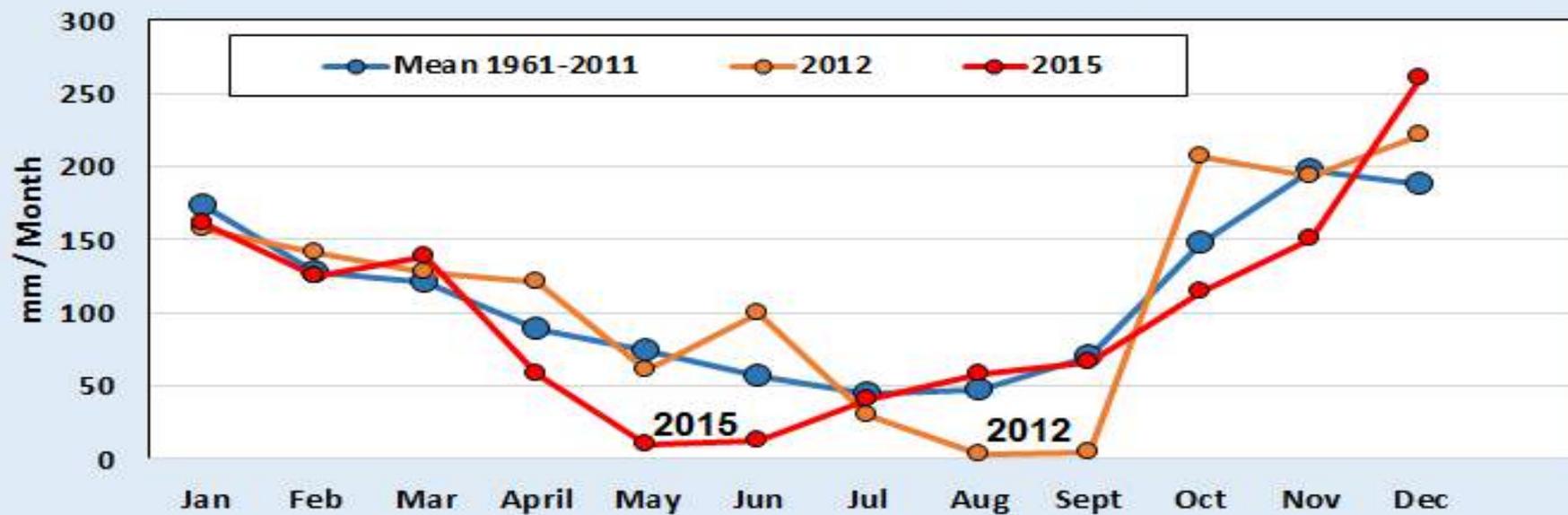
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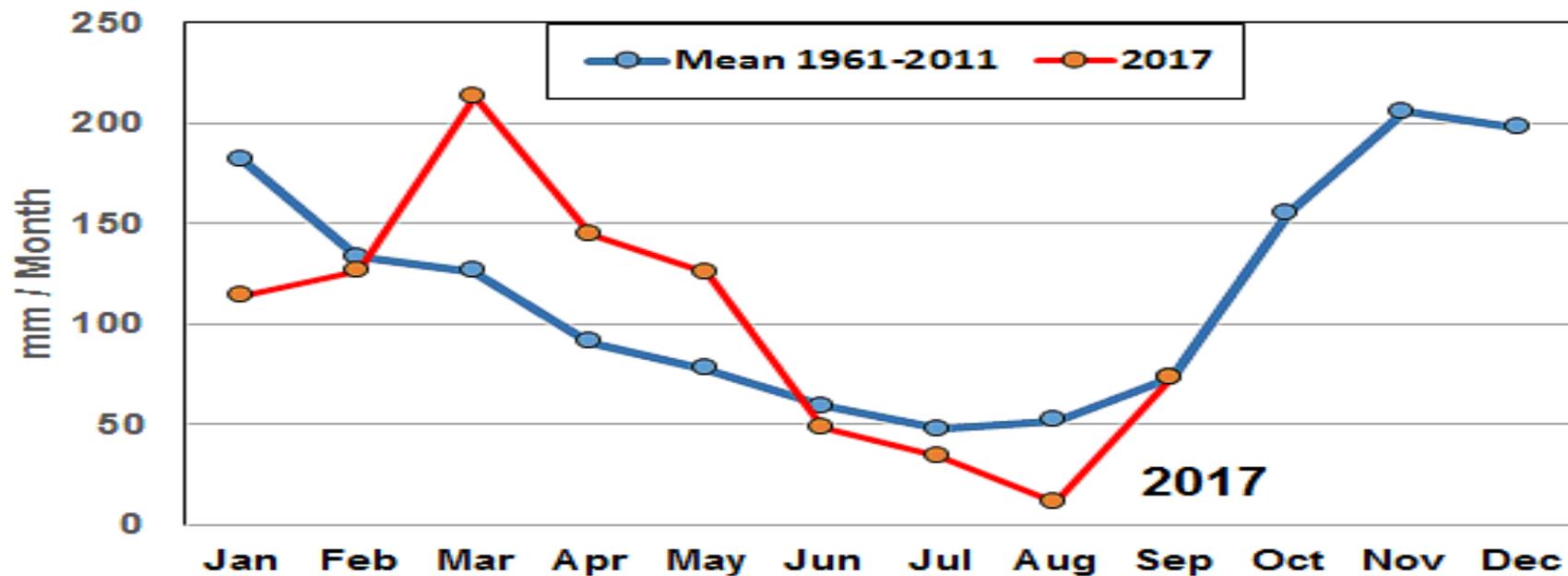
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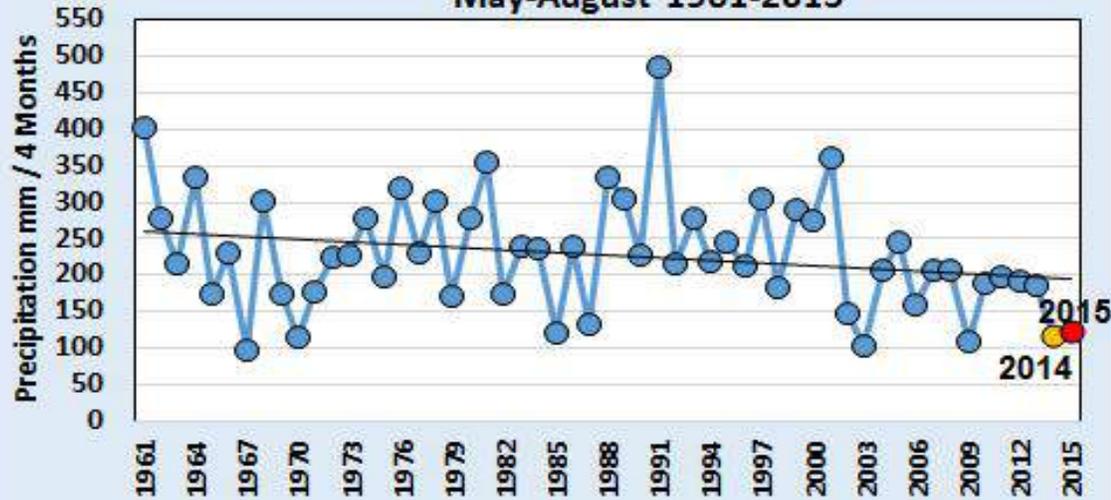


Monthly Precipitation in Gibsons in 2017



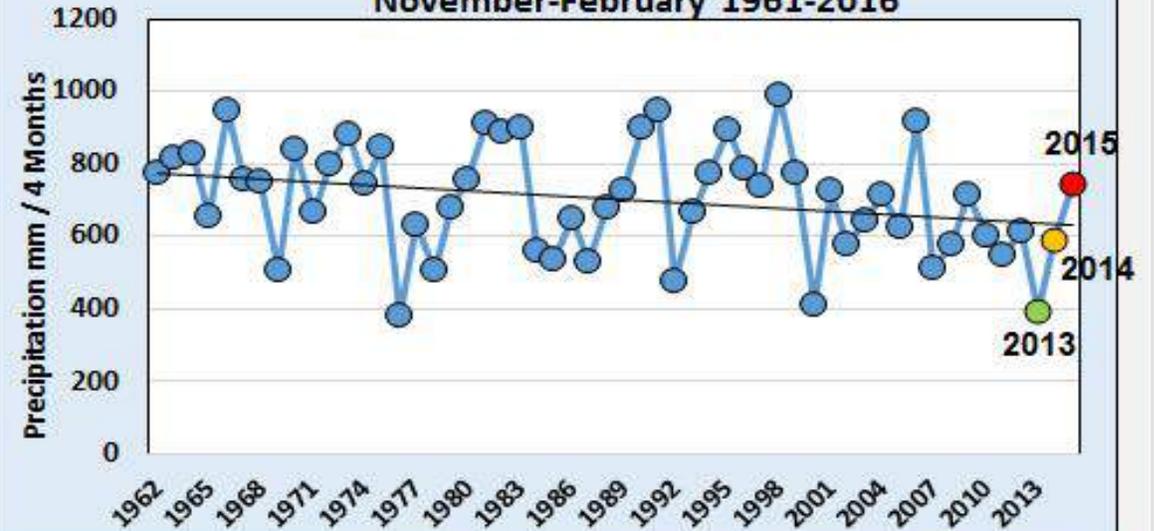
Summer Precipitation

Changes in Summer Precipitation in Gibsons, B.C.
May-August 1961-2015



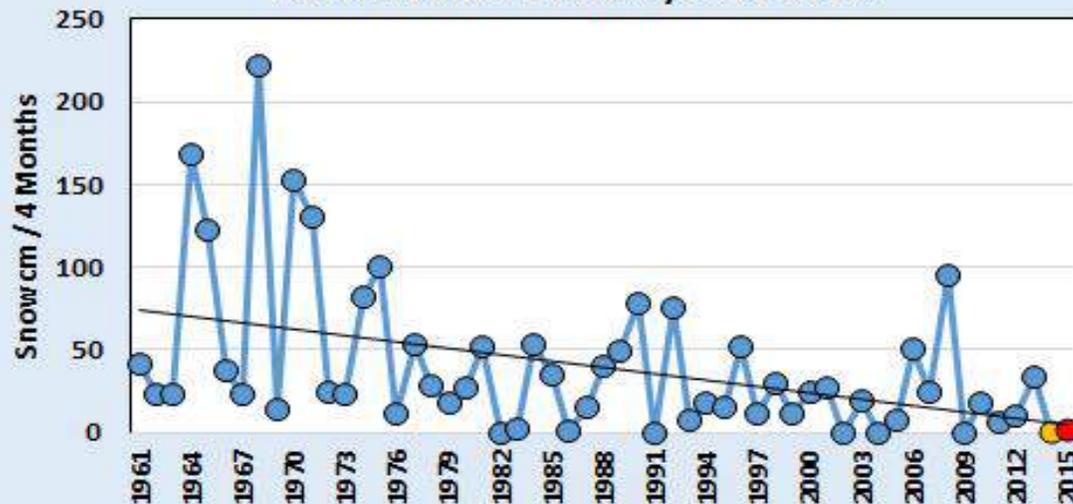
Winter Precipitation

Change in Winter Precipitation in Gibsons, B.C.
November-February 1961-2016



Winter Snow Accumulation

Changes in Winter Snow Accumulation in Gibsons, B.C. November-February 1961-2016



Urban Impacts on Water Resources

Urban Impacts

Urban Water Demand > Supply

Urban Flooding is Increasing

Urban Pollution

Reasons

**Increasing Urban Population
Urban Heat Island & Droughts
Neglected Infrastructure (leakages)**

**Densification & Impervious Surfaces
Stormwater Conveyance into Stream
Channelizing Stream Channels**

**Urban Runoff without Treatment
Insufficient Wastewater Treatment
Traffic and Air Pollution**

Water for Food: Are We Heading for a Crisis?



Projections:

50% increase food production is needed over the next 40 years.

Why?

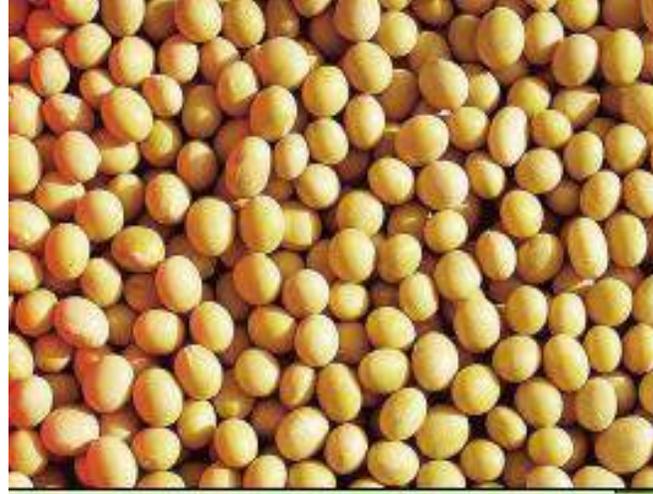
2 Billion new people
0.8 Billion have not enough
1 Billion is changing diets
10-20% of food biomass for ethanol & biodiesel

Water Use by Agriculture:

Agriculture uses about 70% of all fresh water

40% of all food comes from 19% irrigated land





Can we increase the irrigated areas in agriculture ?

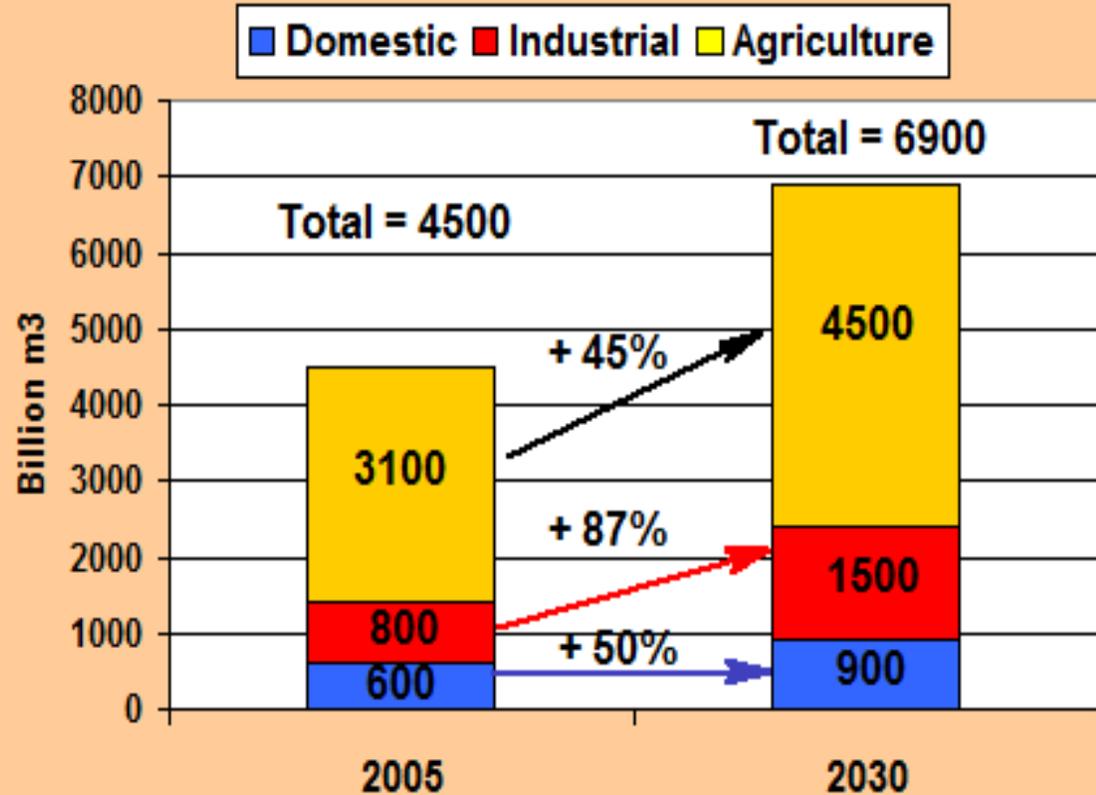
Can we produce more food from rainfed agricultural land ?

When:

- 1. Demand for water for other uses is increasing**
- 2. The agricultural land base is shrinking**
- 3. Climatic variability is increasing**
- 4. Soil and water degradation problems are increasing**
- 5. Energy problems are accelerating**

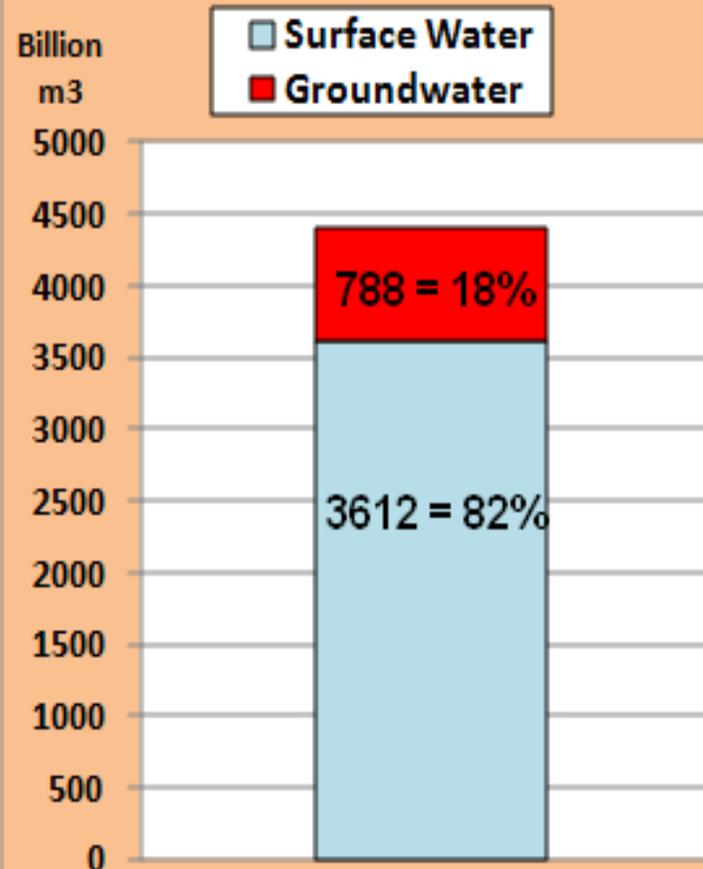


Global Water Demand 2005-2030 (Existing vs. Projected)



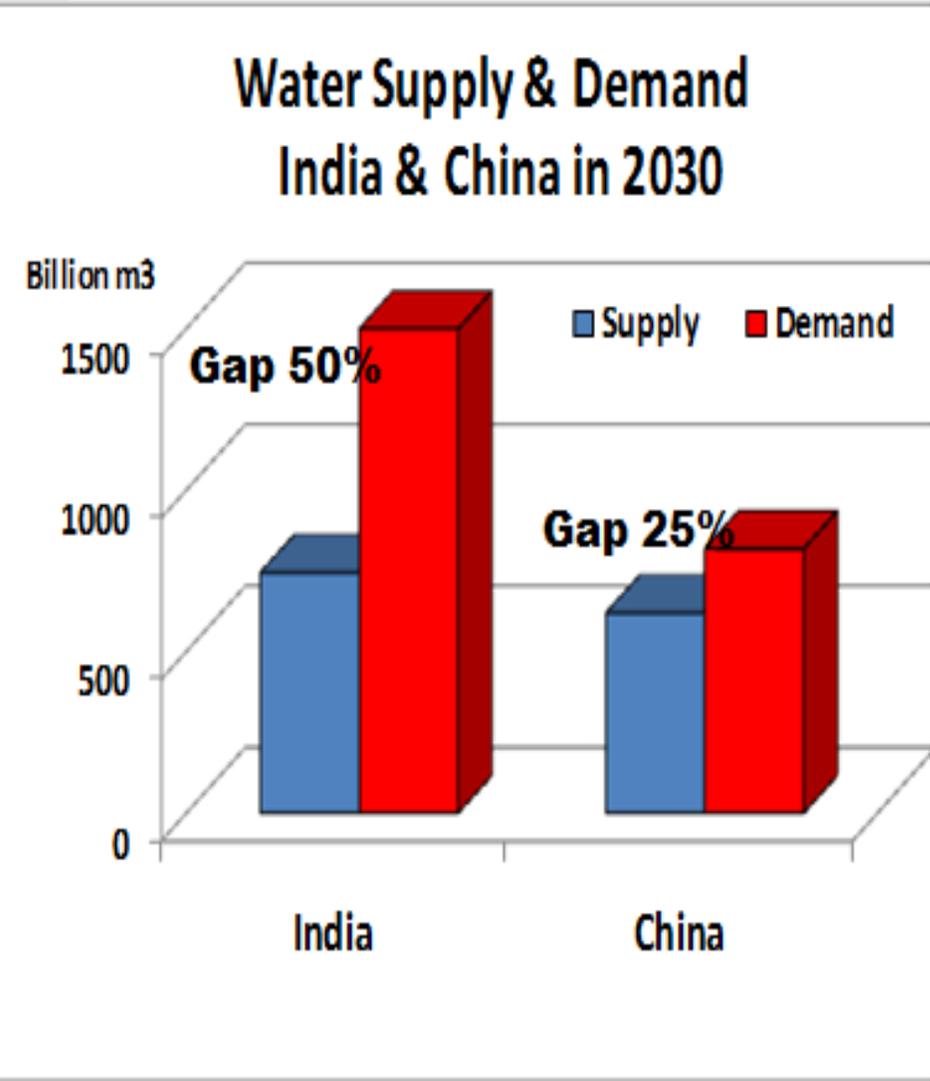
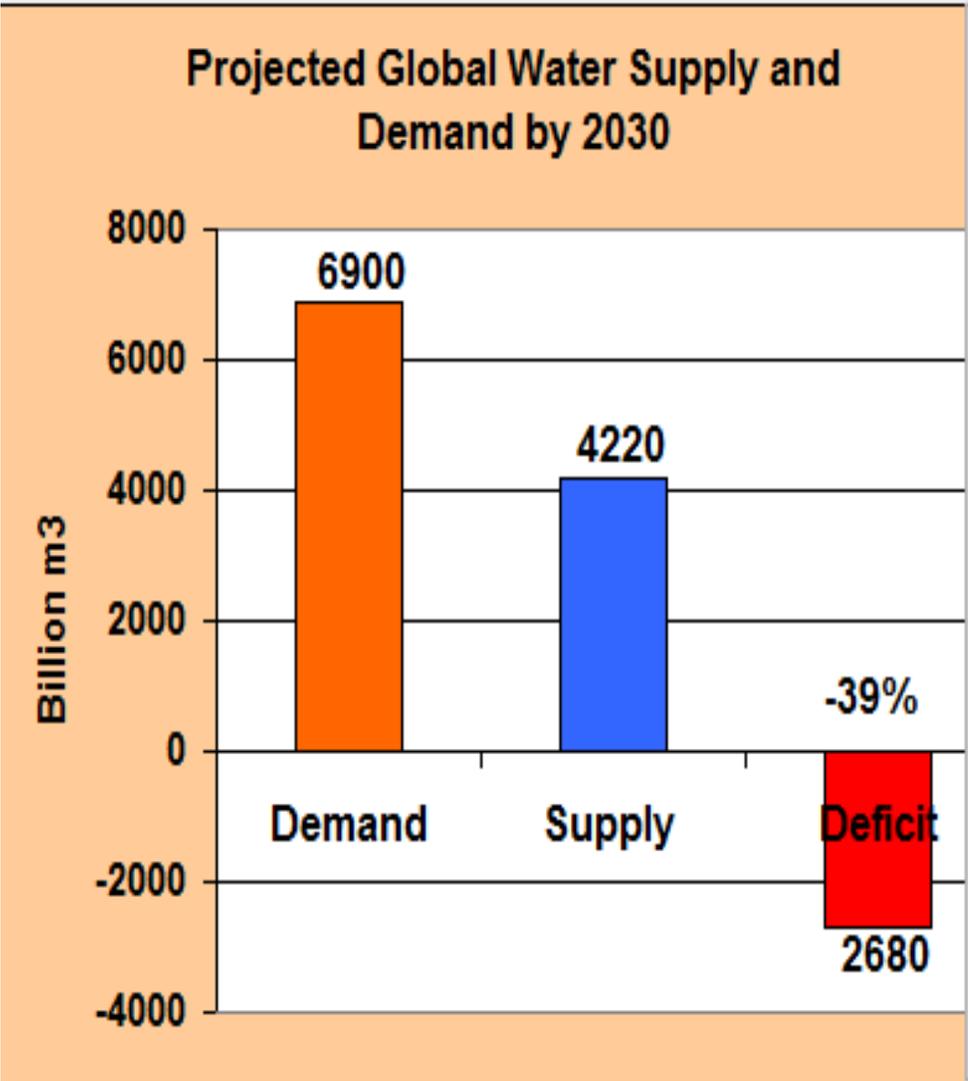
Without efficiency gains the water demand will increase by 64% between 2005-2030

Reliable Water Supply 2005



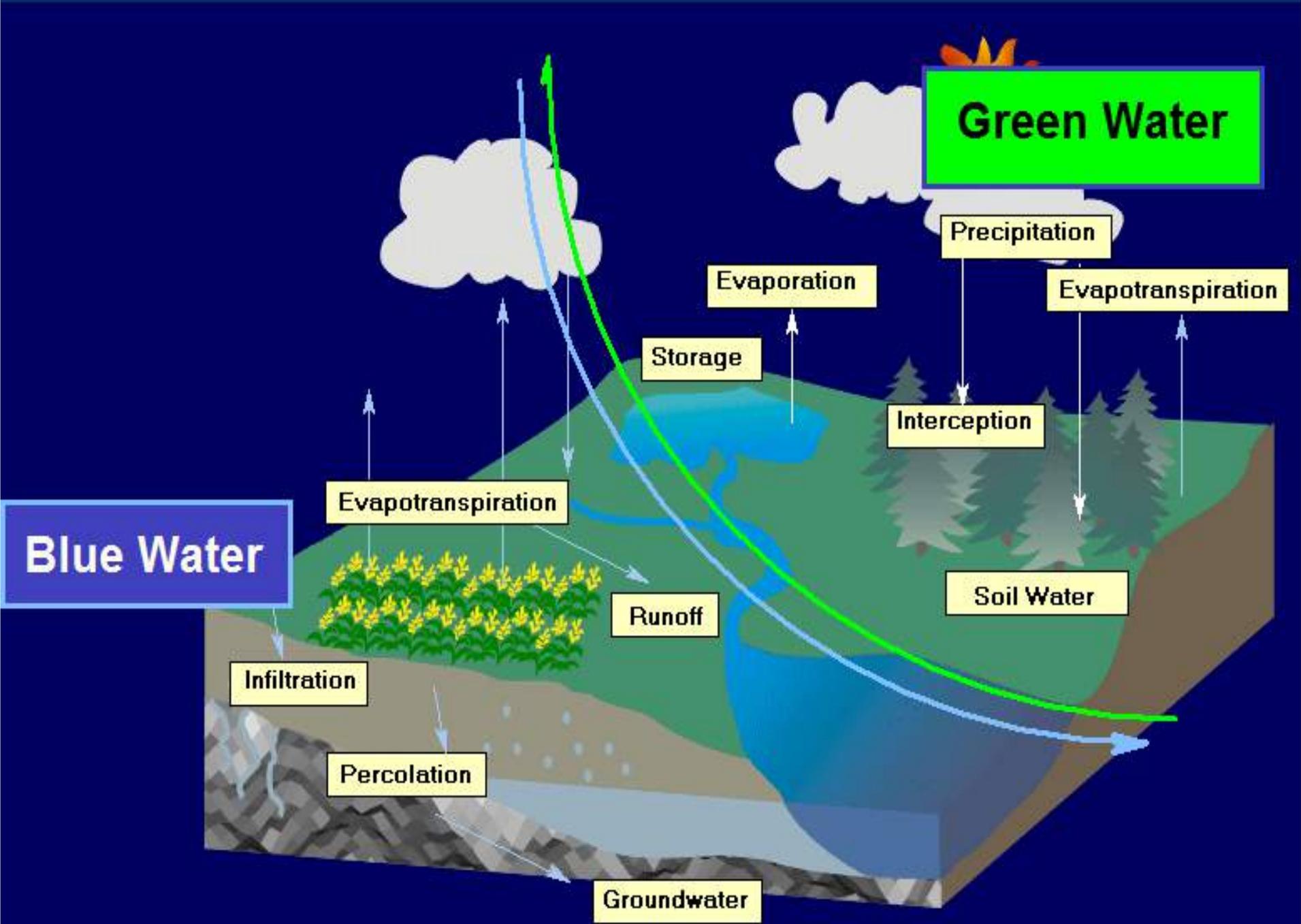
Surface Water remains as the dominant water source for agriculture

Source: Mckinsey Water Resource Group 2010. Charting our Water Future.
Economic Frameworks to Inform Decision Makers
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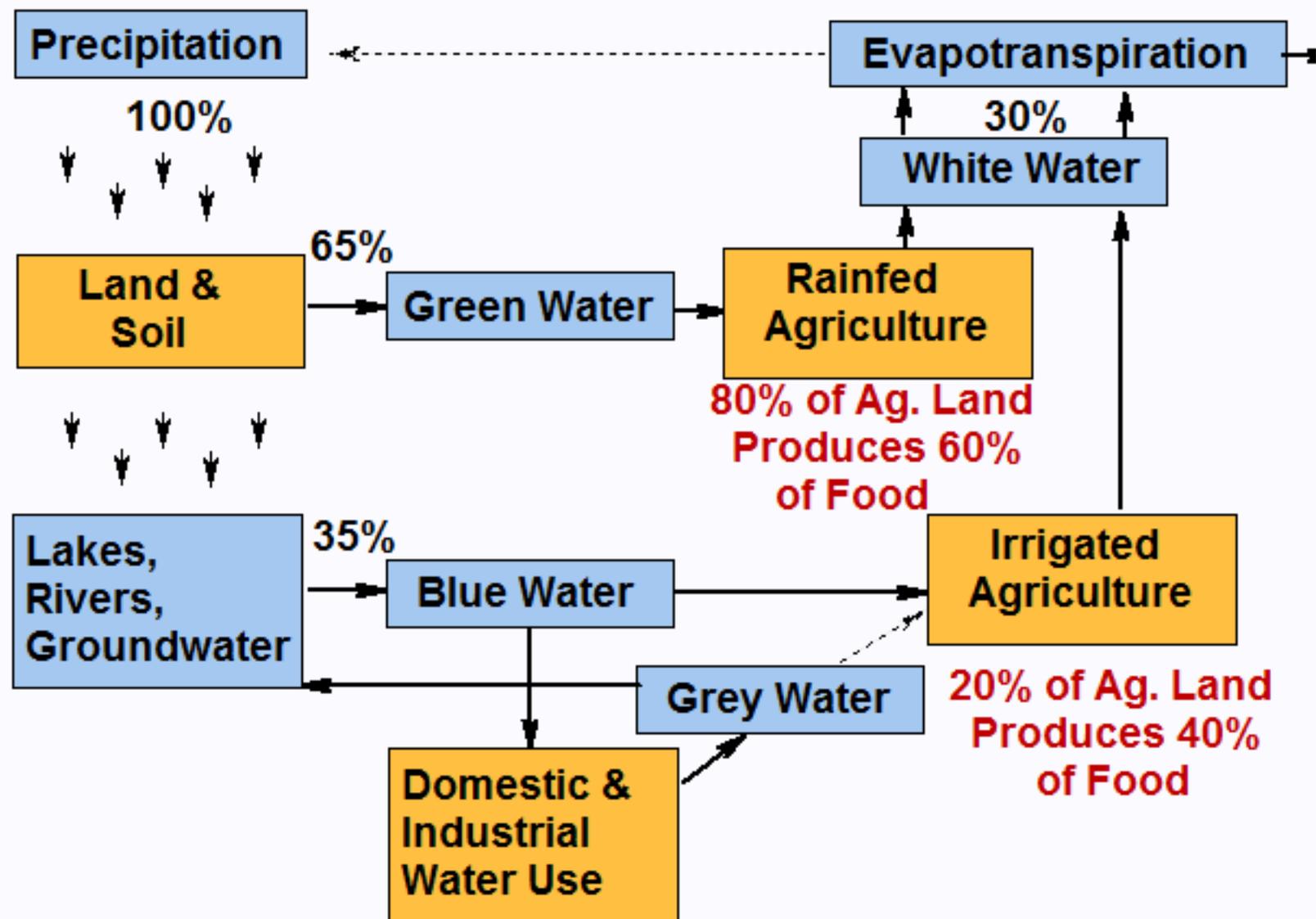


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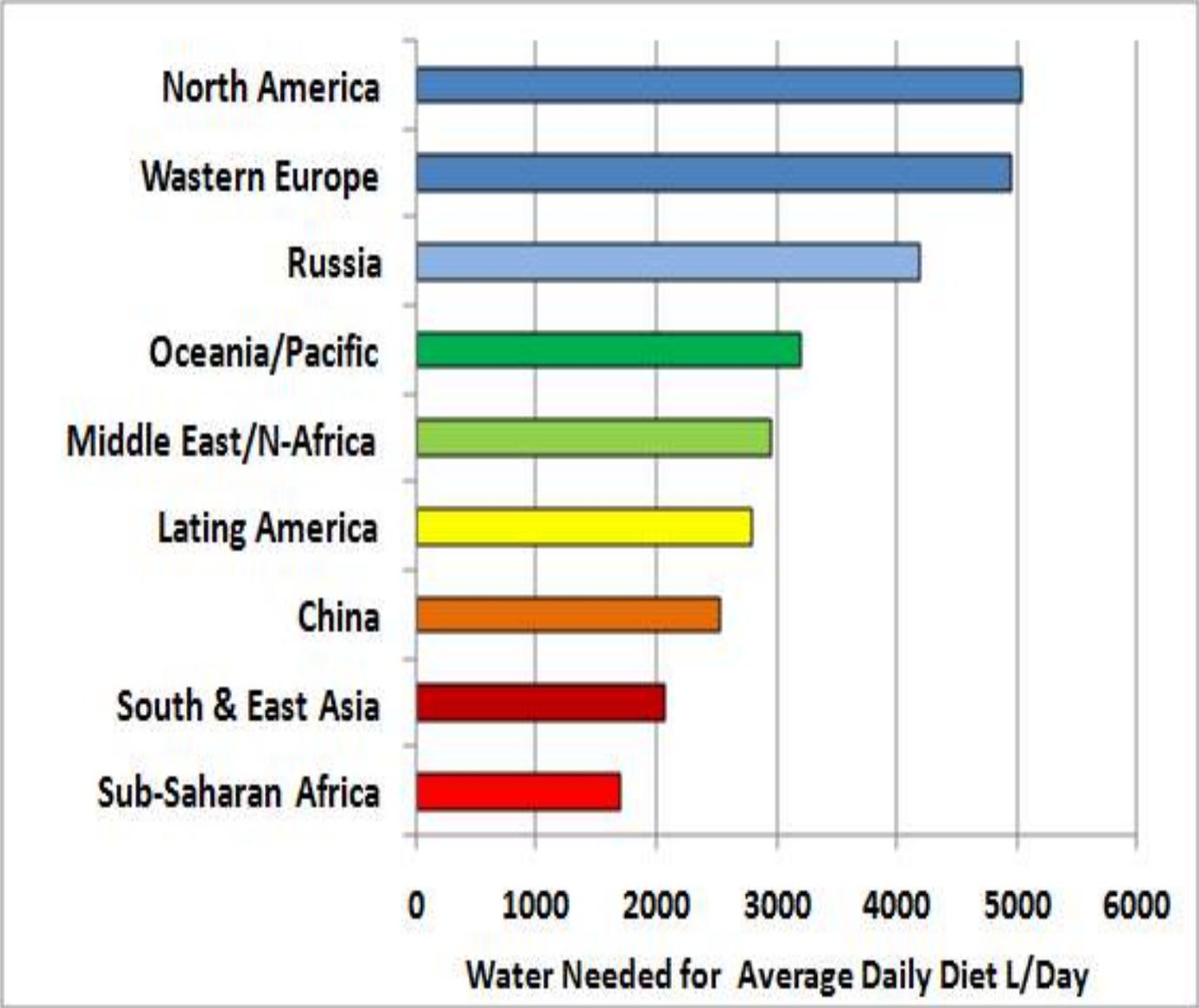
Hydrological Cycle

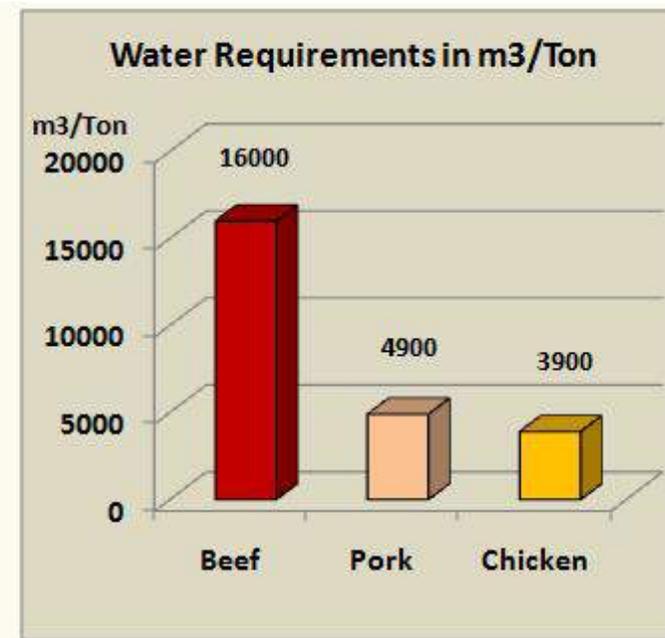
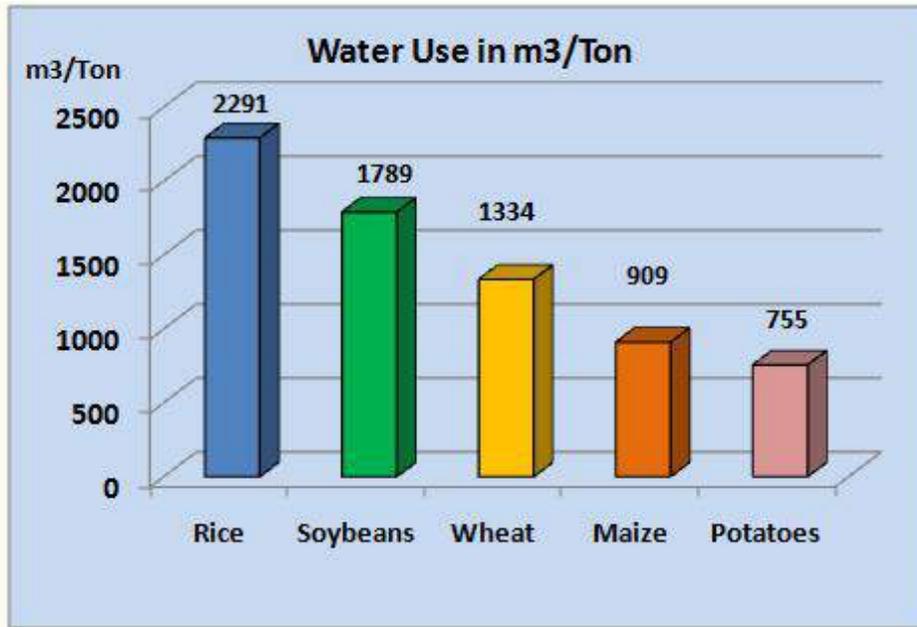


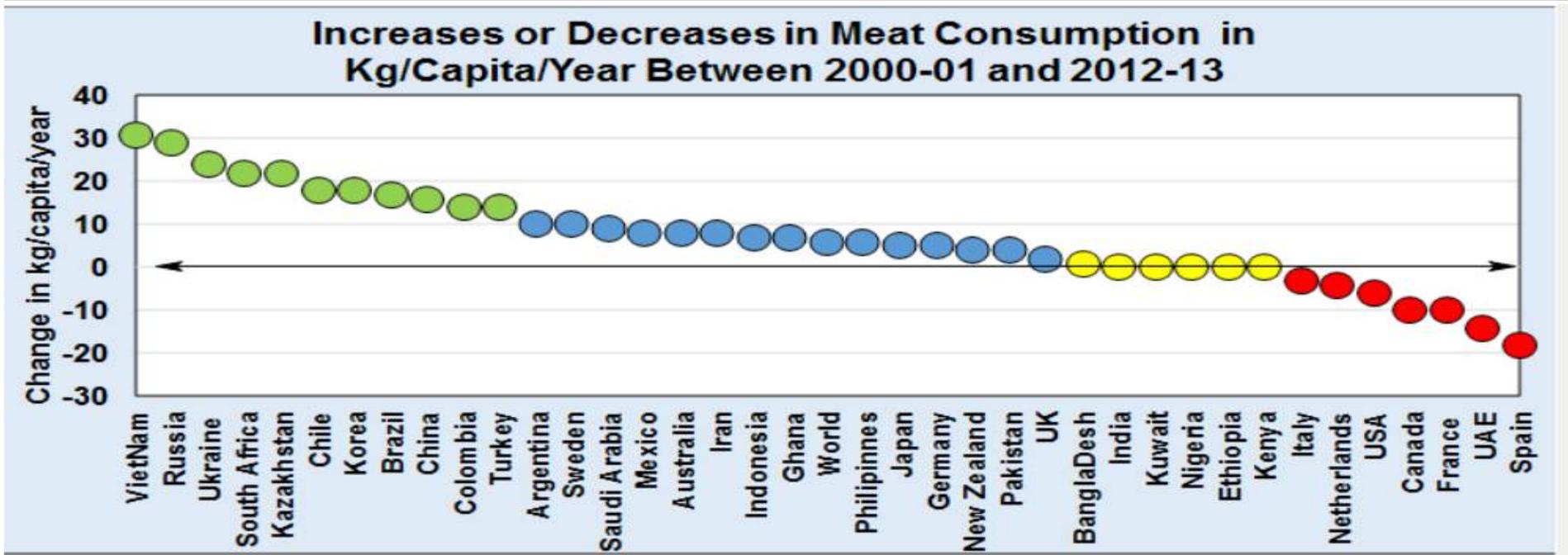
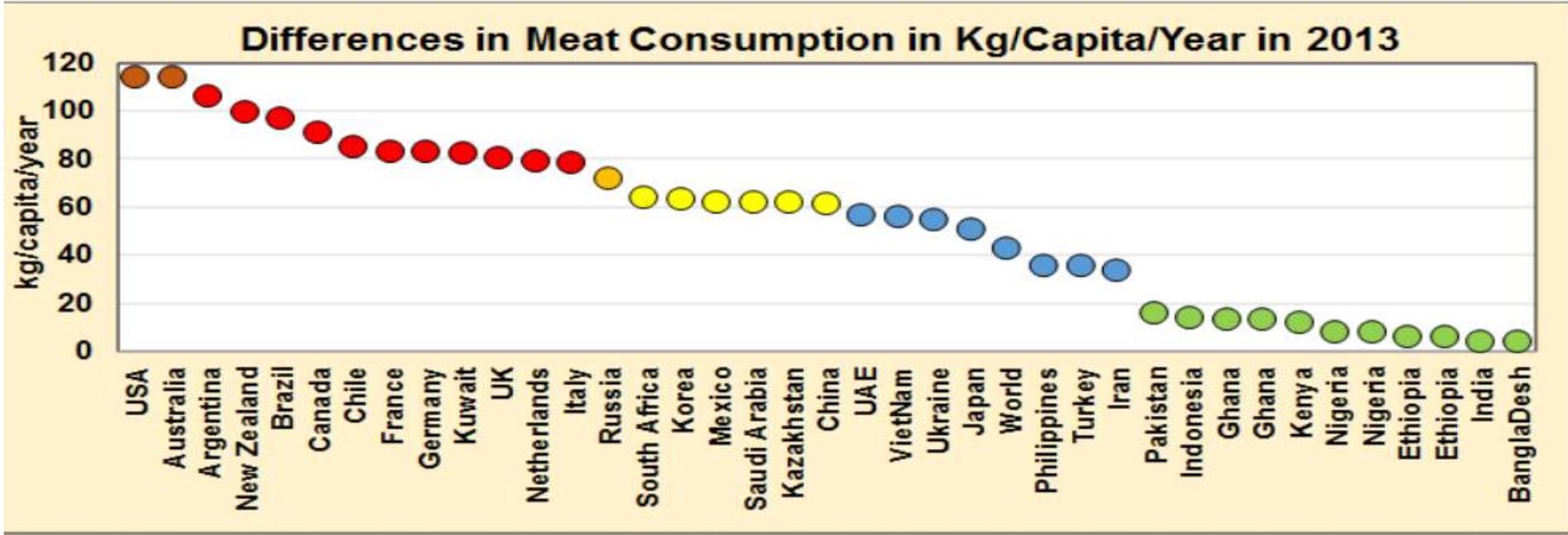
Green Water, Blue Water, White Water, Grey Water



Water Requirements to Maintain Average Daily Diet







% Changes in Livestock Numbers Between 2000 and 2014

	Cattle	Pigs	Sheep	Chicken	Human Population
World	13 %	15 %	13 %	49 %	18 %
Canada	-7 %	2 %	10 %	6 %	16 %
USA	-10 %	14 %	-35 %	7 %	13 %
Australia	5 %	-8 %	-39 %	15 %	23 %
Brazil	57 %	20 %	19 %	57 %	17 %
China	5 %	22 %	49 %	29 %	8 %

**Global Numbers
in Billions 2014**

**Cattle
1.47 Billions**

**Pigs
0.99 Billions**

**Sheep
1.19 Billions**

**Goats
1.01 Billions**

**People
7.3 Billions**

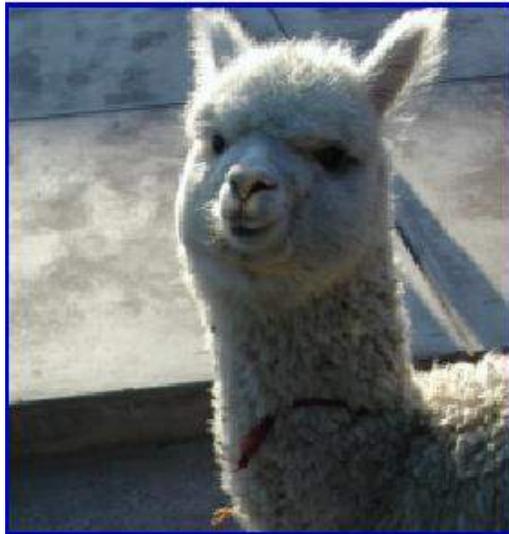
**Total Ruminants
4.7 Billions**

Nitrogen in Human Waste
= 4kg N /Person/Year

Nitrogen in Animal Manure
= 30-40 kg N /LUE/Year

Number of People in the World
= 7 Billion

Number of LUE (Cow Equivalent)
= 3 Billion

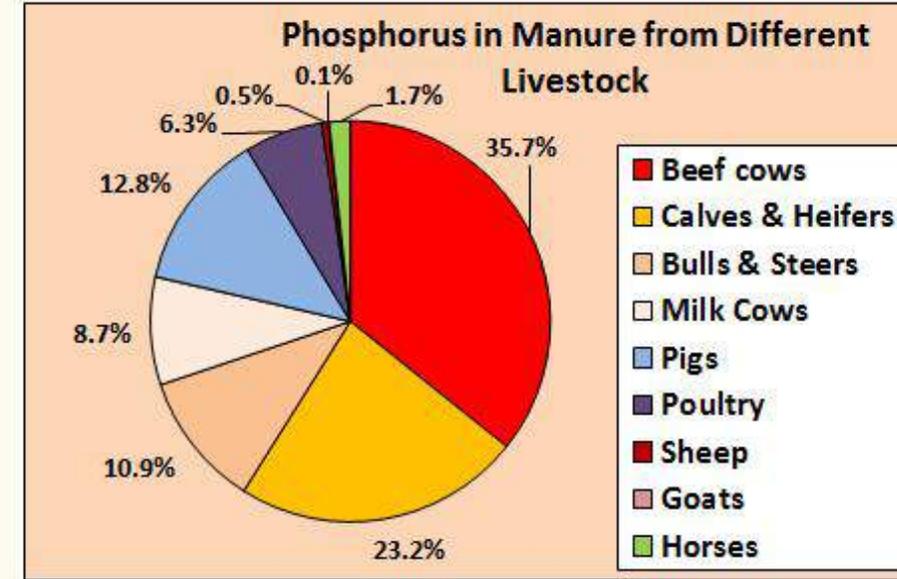
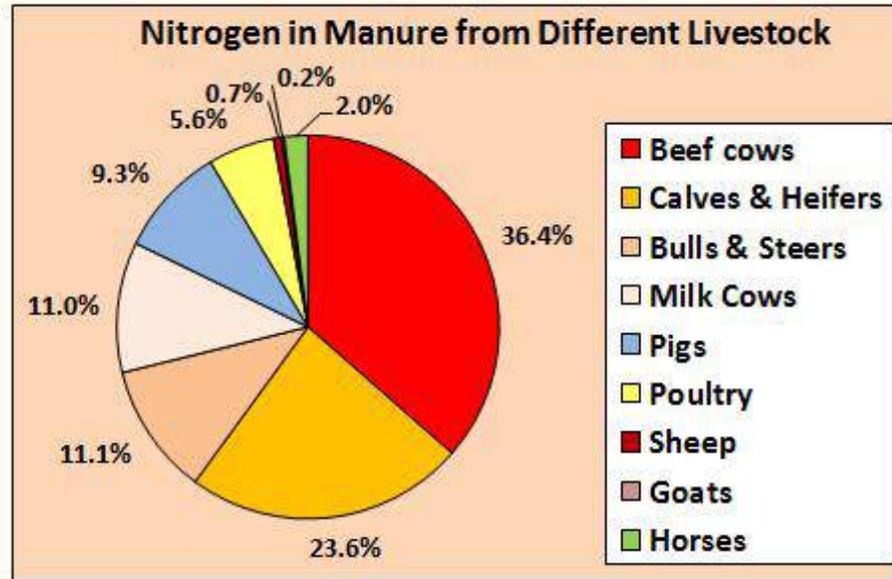


Cows generates 7 times the nitrogen in the waste that a human being

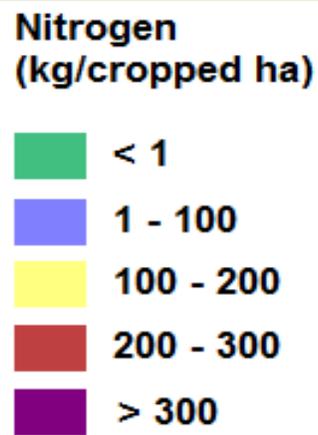
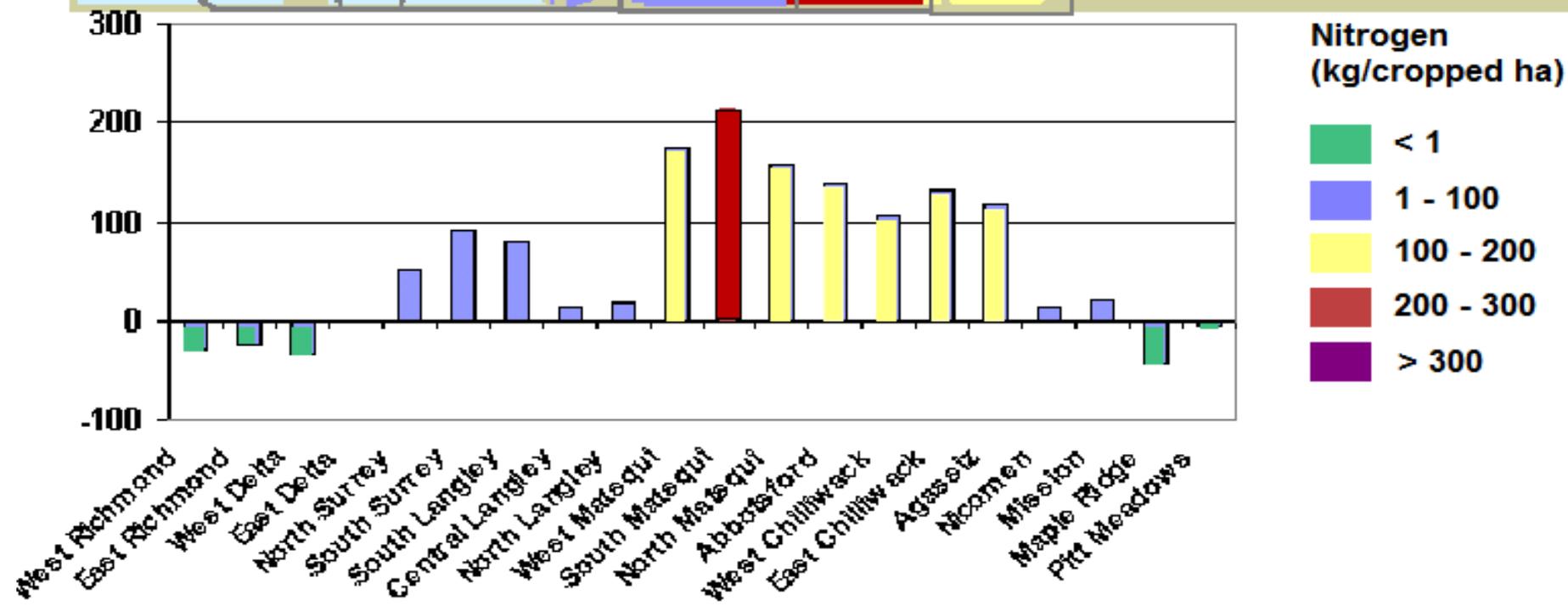
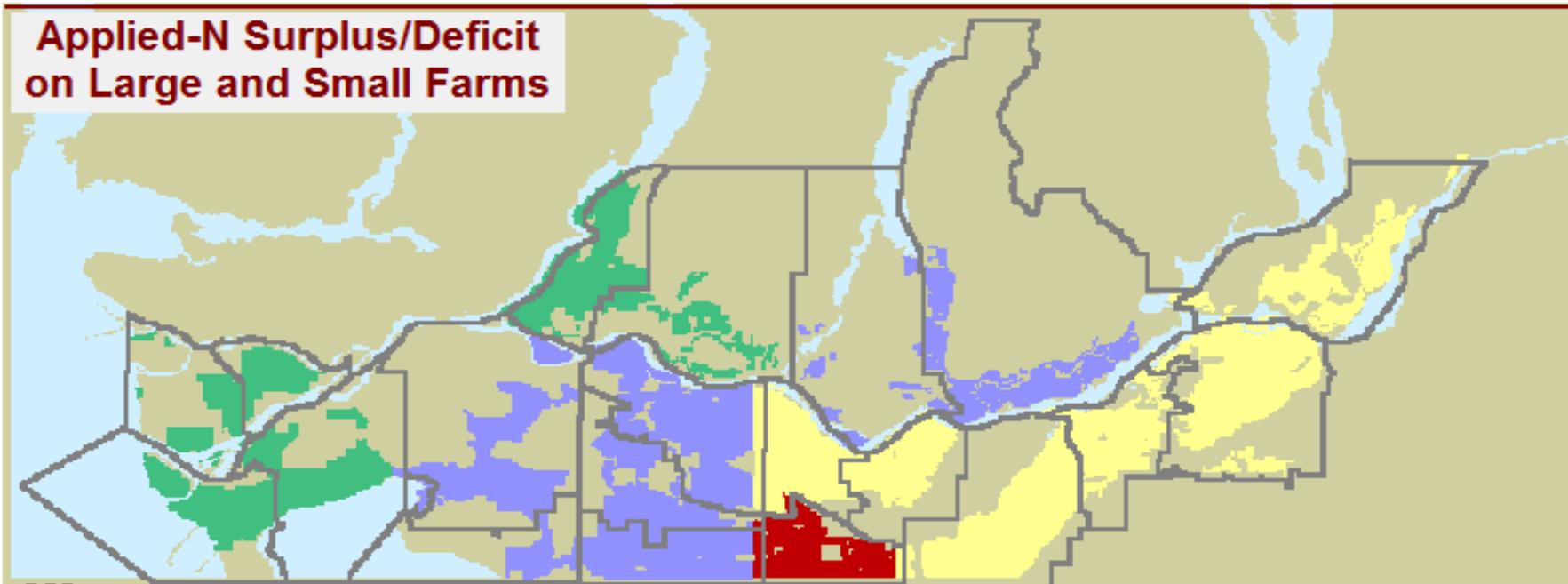
Global Nitrogen in Animal Waste = Equivalent to **21 Billion People**

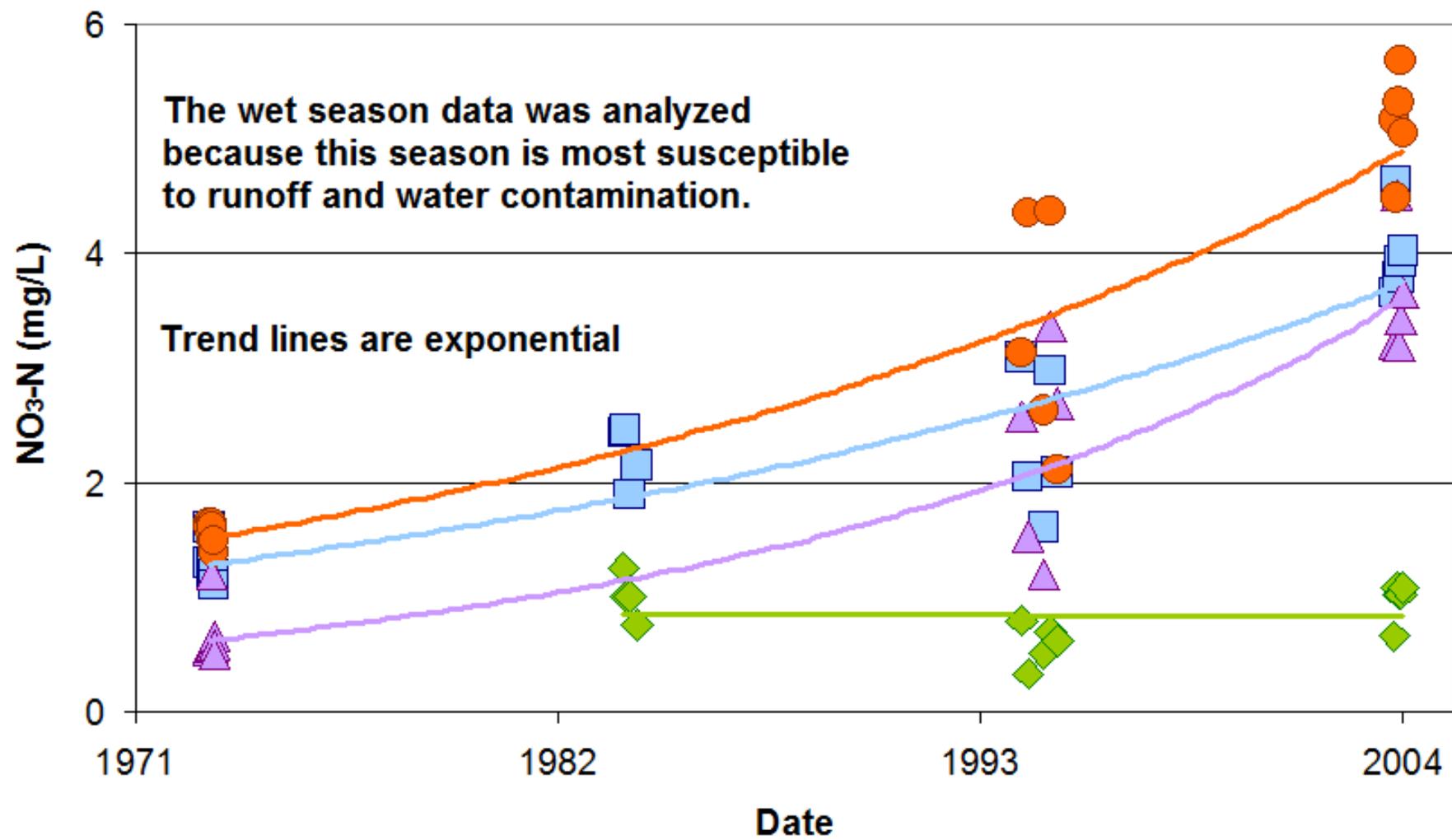
**We try to treat Human Waste in the City
Why not treat Animal Waste in Large Operations**

81% of all N and 75% of all P in Manure is from Cattle



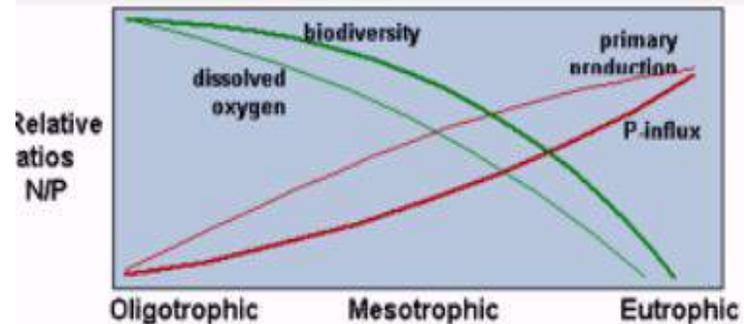
Applied-N Surplus/Deficit on Large and Small Farms





- Marshall Creek at North Parallel Road ($R^2=0.901$)
- Sumas River at International Border ($R^2=0.833$)
- ◆ Sumas River Downstream by Pump Station ($R^2=0.888$)
- ◆ Sumas River Headwaters (no significant change over time)

Agriculture and Eutrophication



Low productivity	↔	High productivity
Scarce littoral plants		Abundant littoral plants
Low nutrient levels		High nutrient levels
Oxygen in hypolimnion		Hypolimnion O depletion
Usually deeper lakes		Usually shallower lakes
Large diversity of plankton		Low diversity of plankton



Eutrophication

Control Nitrogen and Phosphorus Inputs (N/P)

1. Annual Nutrient Budgets
2. Move Manure from Surplus Area to Deficit Areas
3. Precision Fertilization
4. Store Manure and only Apply to Land at Appropriate Time
5. Determine Soil Phosphorus Absorption Capacity
6. Animal Stocking Density Regulation based on Soil Absorption Capacity
7. Process Manure (Treatment with Nutrient Recovery)

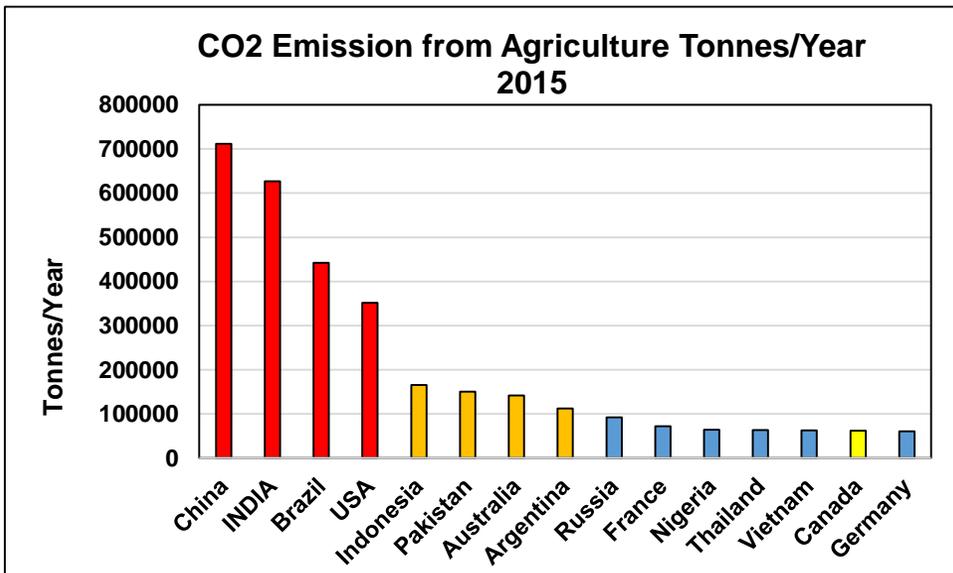
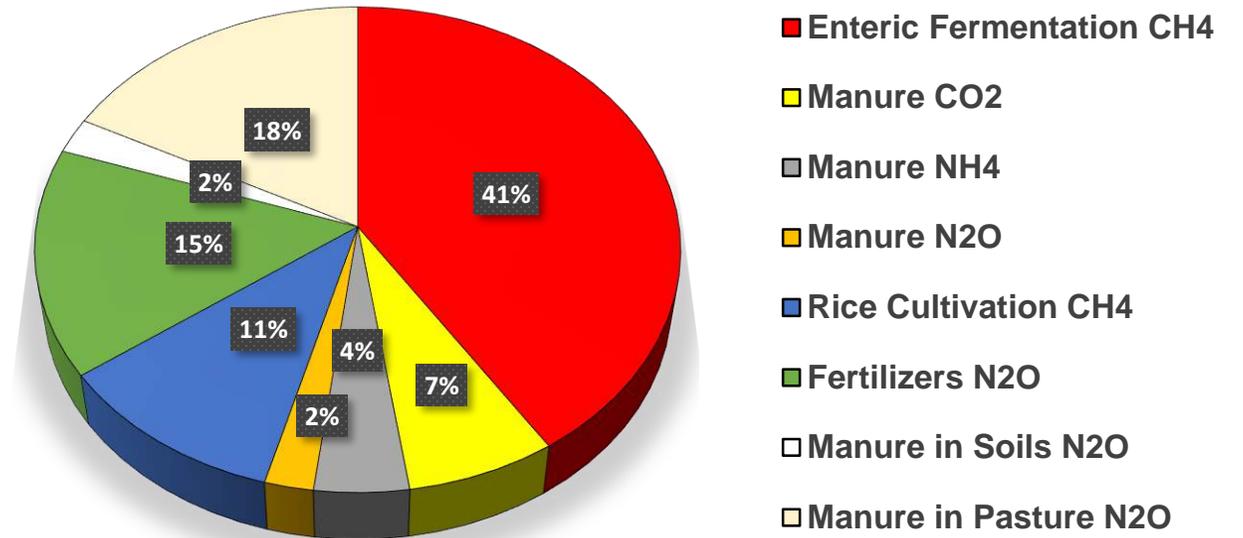


Agriculture produces 13-14% of Global Green House Gases

65% CH₄ & N₂O

Increases between 1990-2010
8%

Global GHG Emission from Agriculture (in CO2 Equ.)

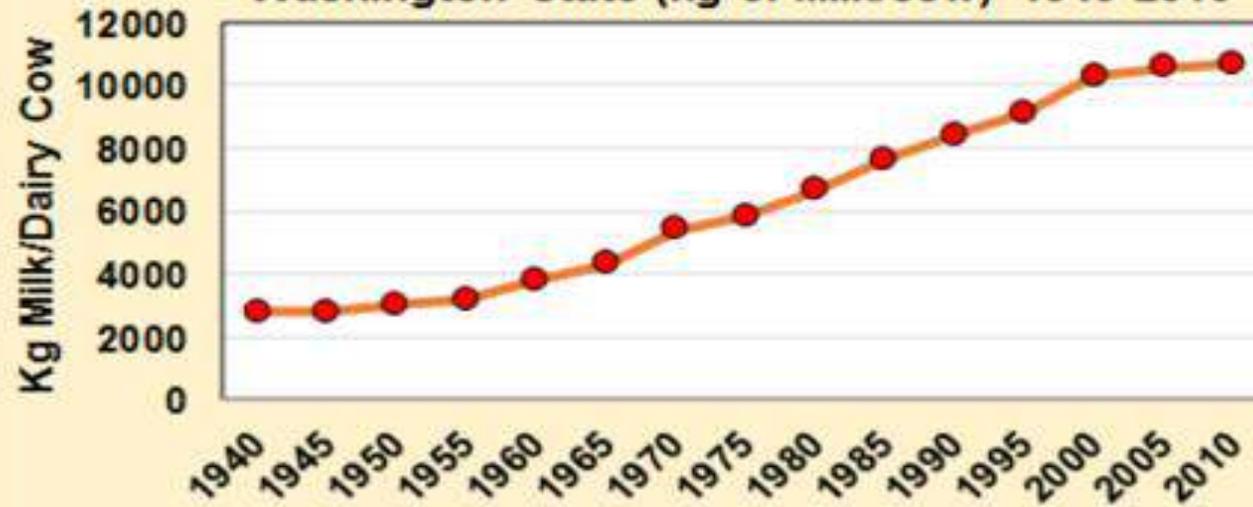


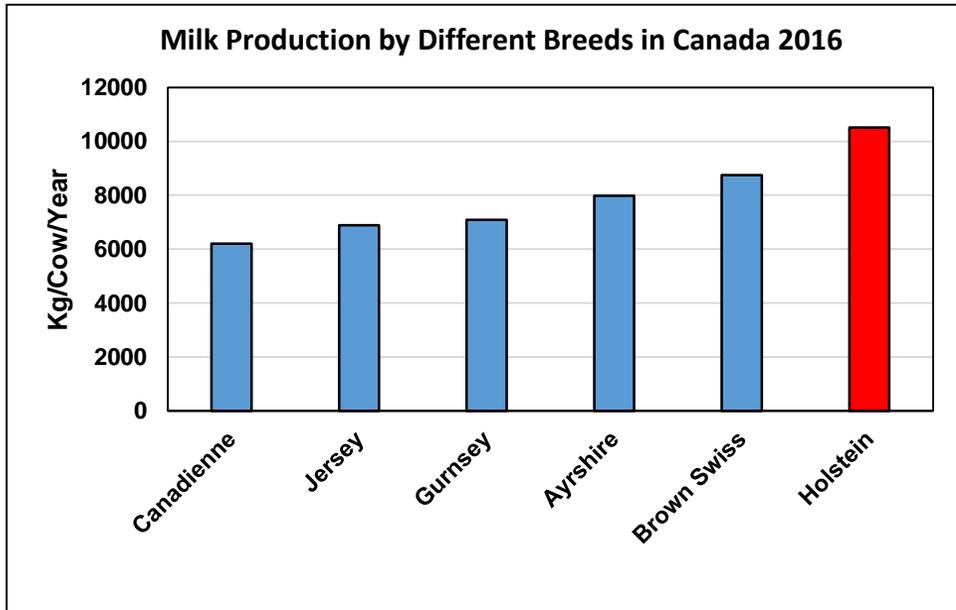
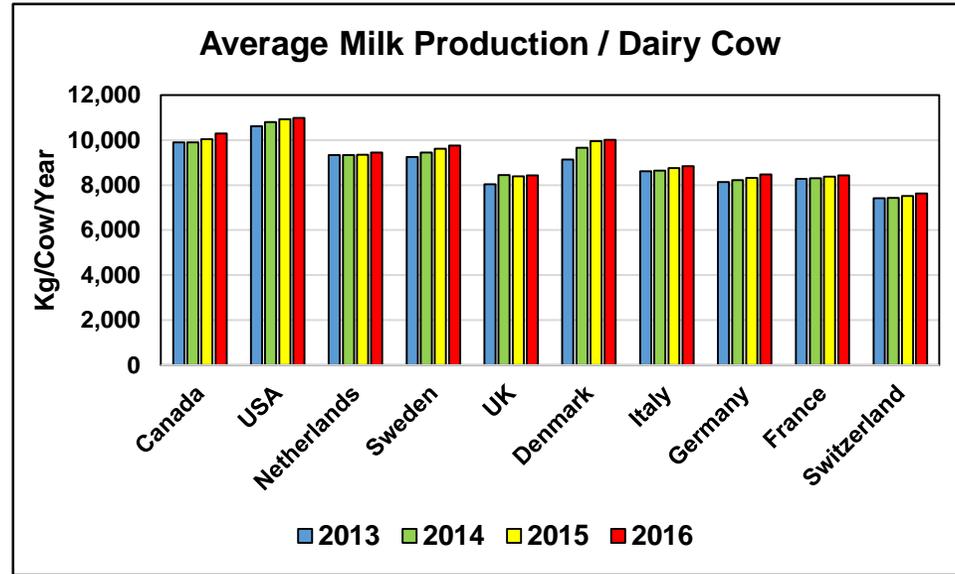
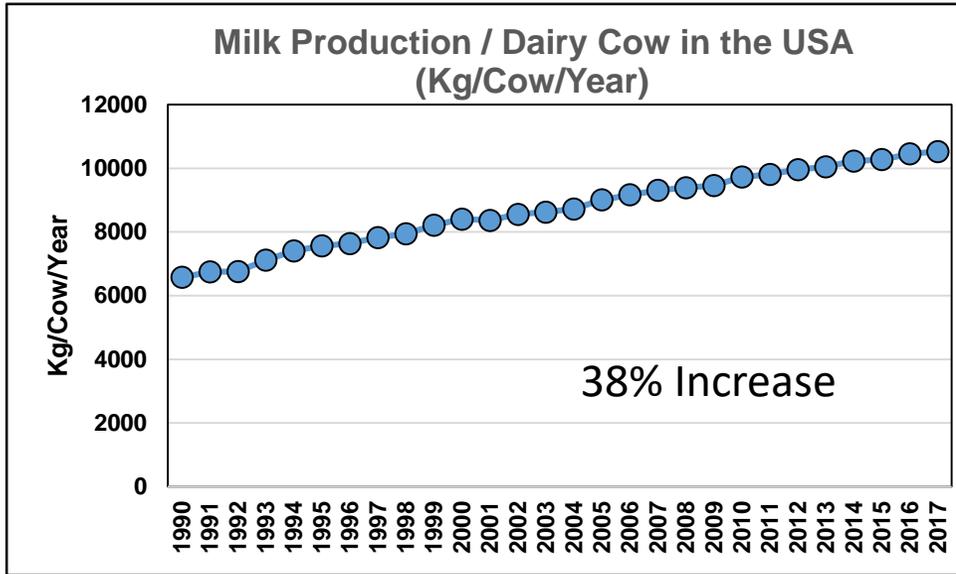
Cattle is the largest Contributor to GHG

Employs 1.3 Billion People
40% of Agricultural Output
Using about 30% of all Land



Change in Milk Production Per Dairy Cow
Washington State (kg of Milk/cow) 1940-2010





**Dairy Cows are the most water
consumptive Livestock
20000—30000 m³/year**

**For every 1 kg of Milk they produce
1.7-2.6 kg of Manure (Holstein)**



Manure Storage for 110 Dairy Cows

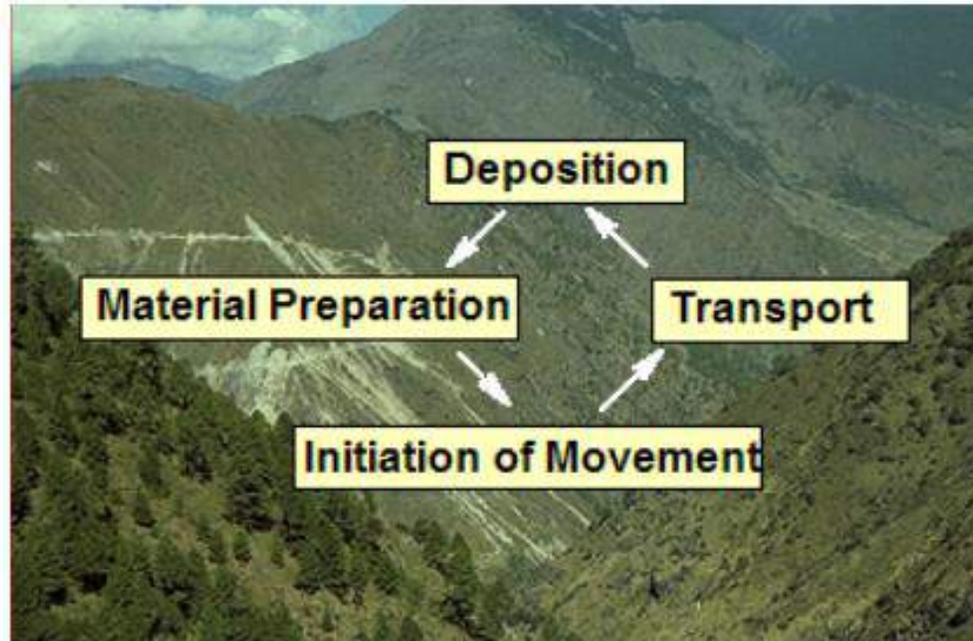
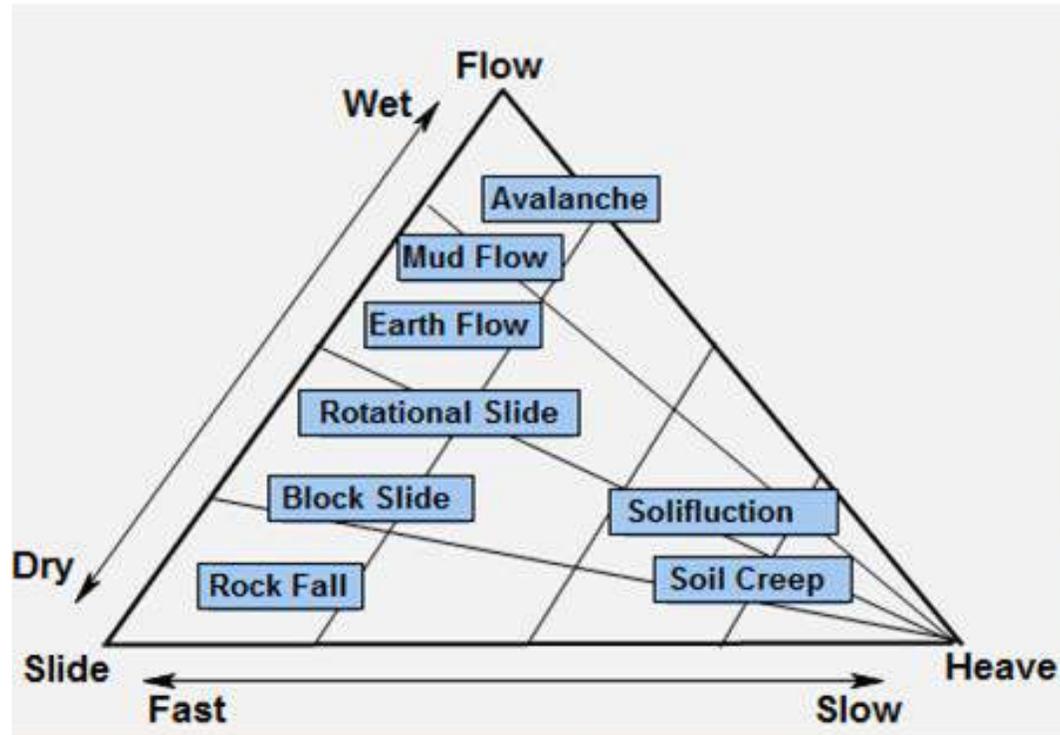


Soil Erosion



Typical Erosion	Rating
• 2- 5 t/ha/year	low
• 5-10 t/ha/year	moderate
• 10-15 t/ha/year	high
• 15-25 t/ha/year	very high
• 25-100 t/ha/year	excessive





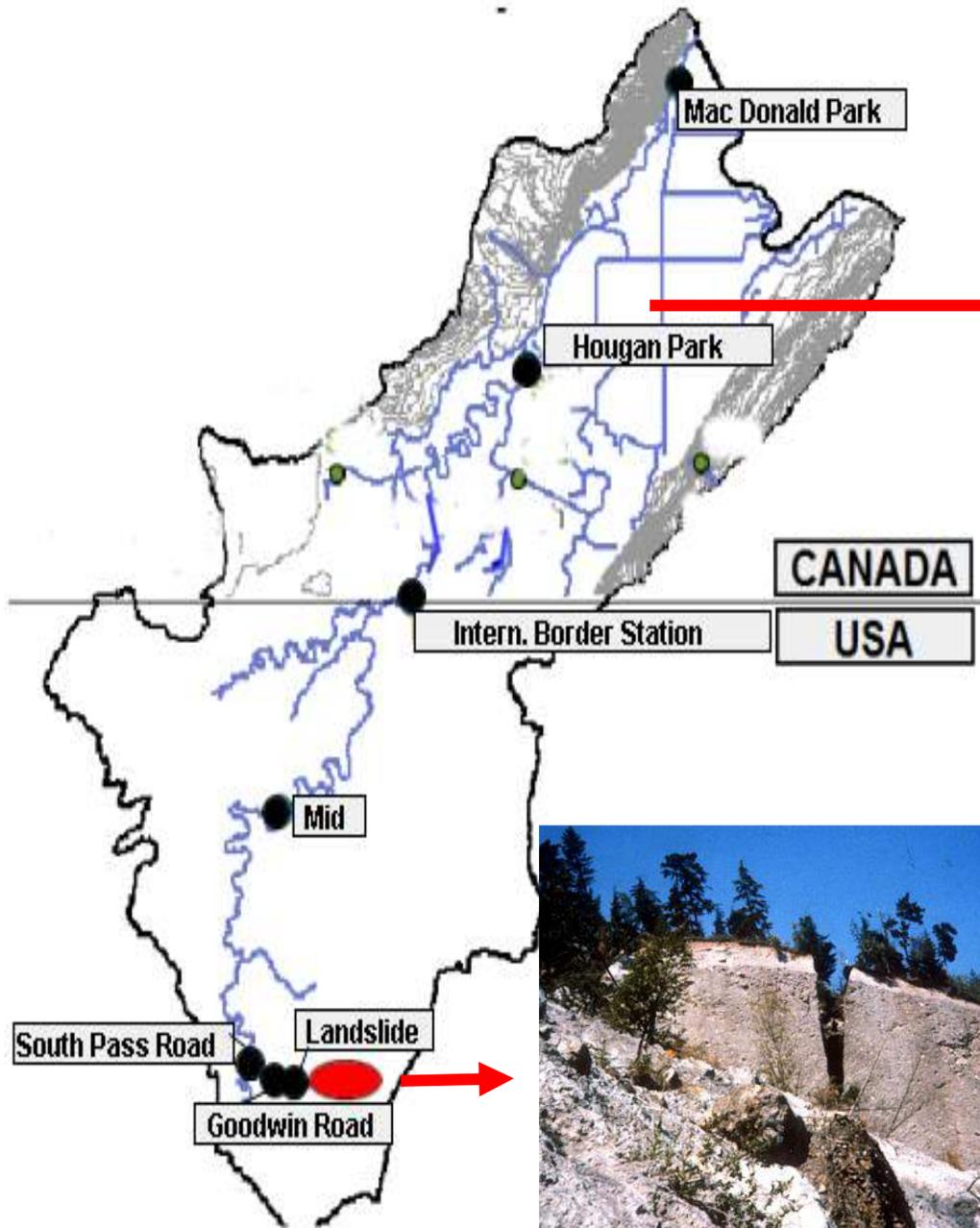
Soil Erosion Processes

- Inherent factors that influence erosion**
1. Type of Material (rocks & soil)
 2. Soil texture and structure
 3. Amount of swelling clays
 4. Crusts and impervious layers
 5. Infiltration and percolation rates
 6. Topography and slope

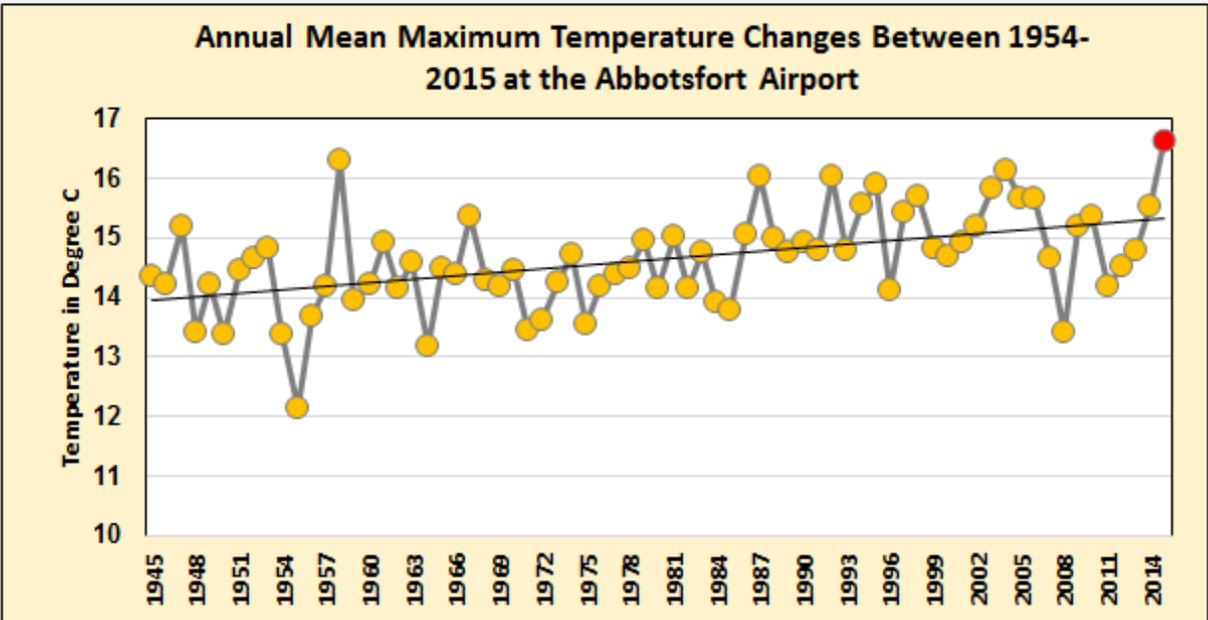
- External factors that influence erosion**
1. Rainfall intensity, duration & amount
 2. Temperature
 3. Change in surface conditions & cover
 4. Change in soil moisture content
 5. Vegetation cover, density & structure
 6. Adjacent activities

Type of Erosion

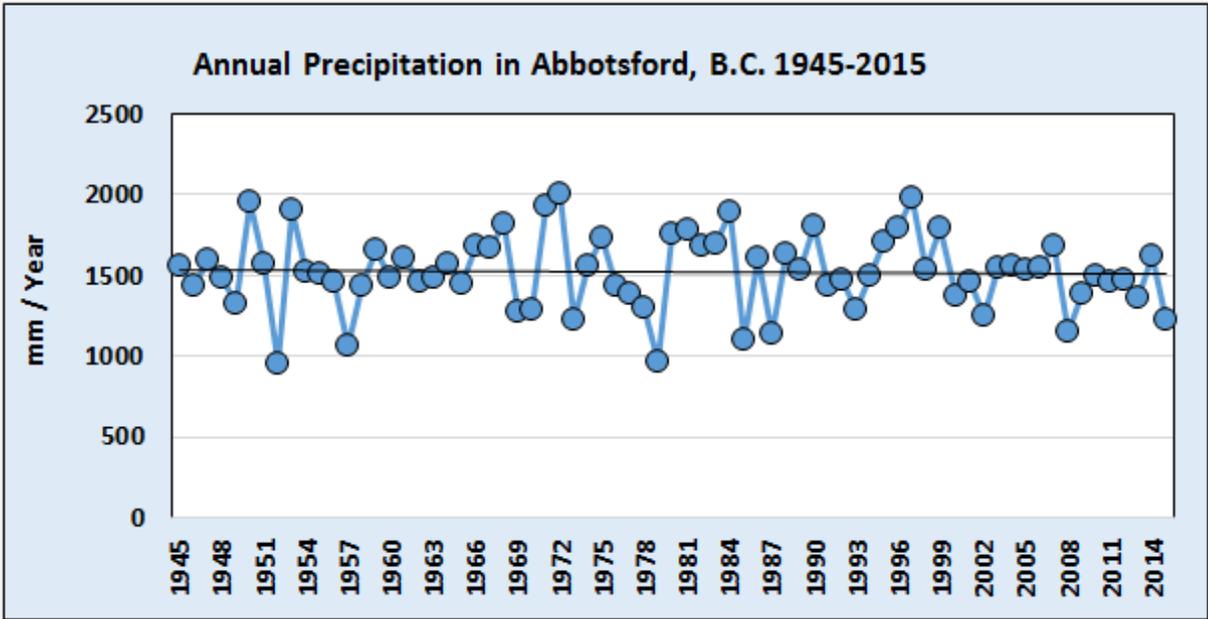




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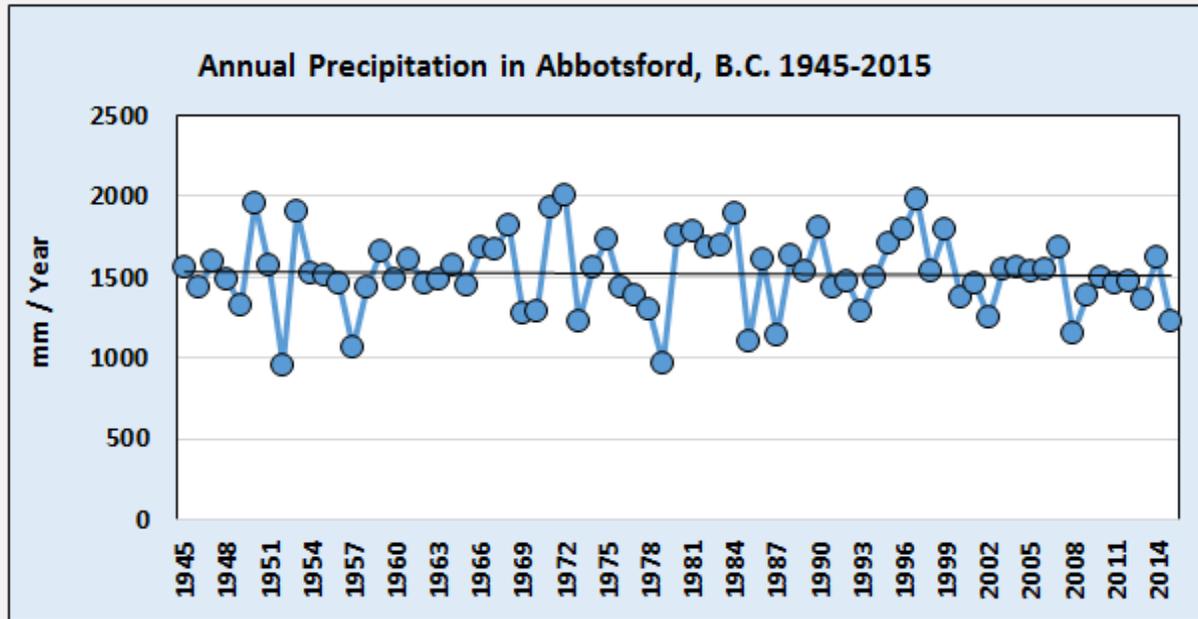


**Temperature
Increases**

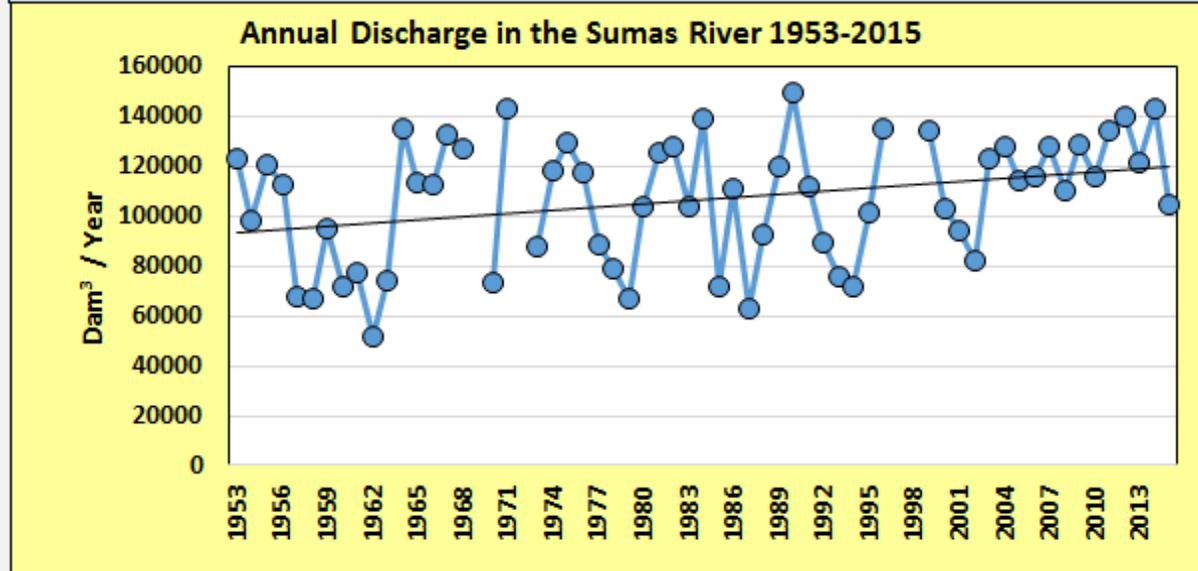


**No Change in
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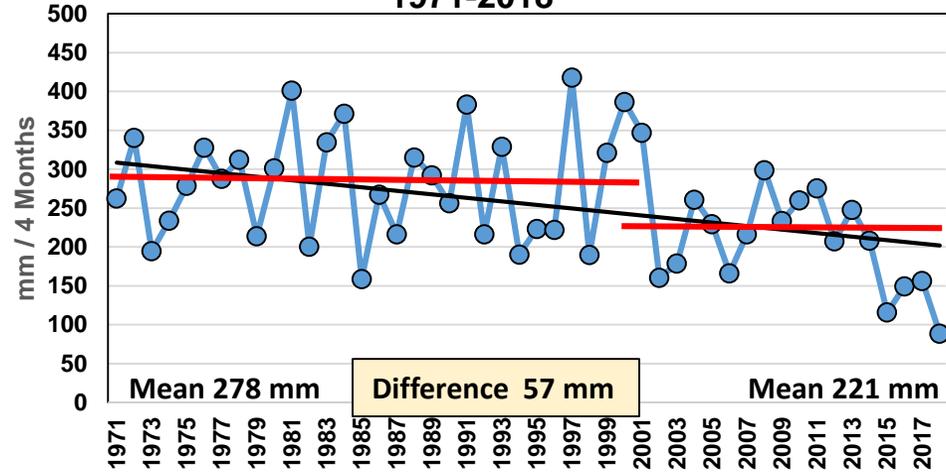


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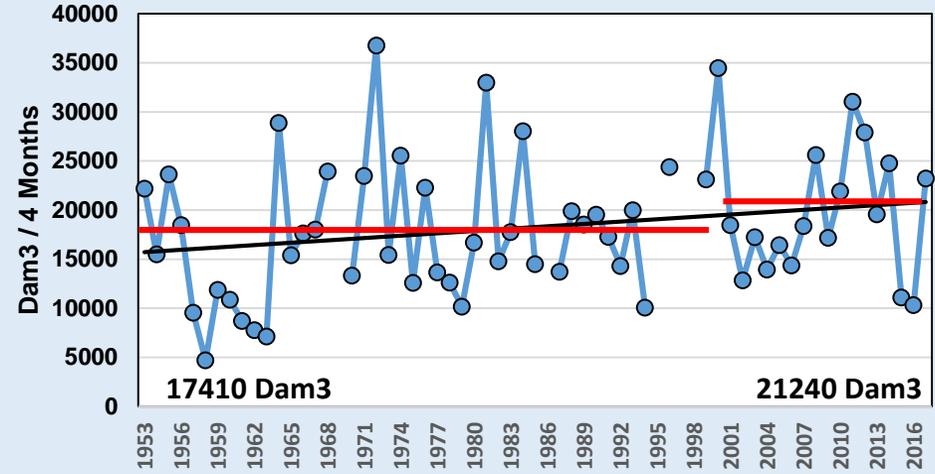


Increase in River Discharge

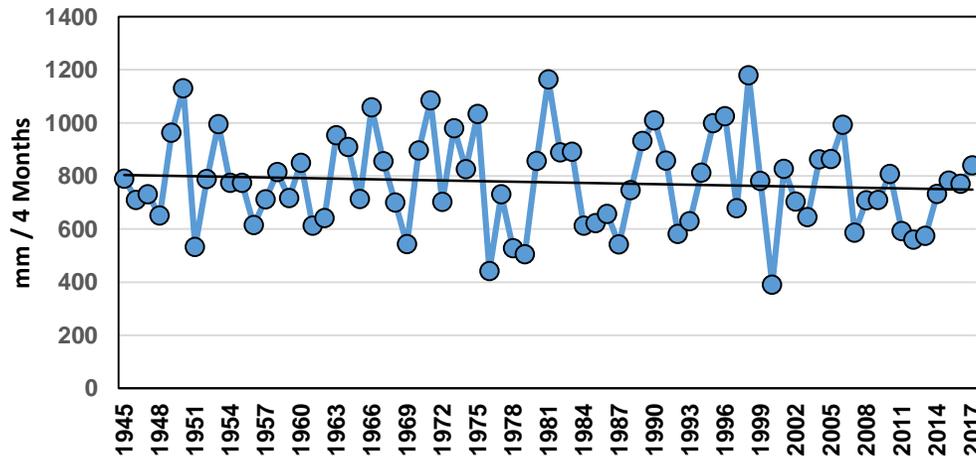
**Summer Precipitation (May-Aug) in Abbotsford
1971-2018**



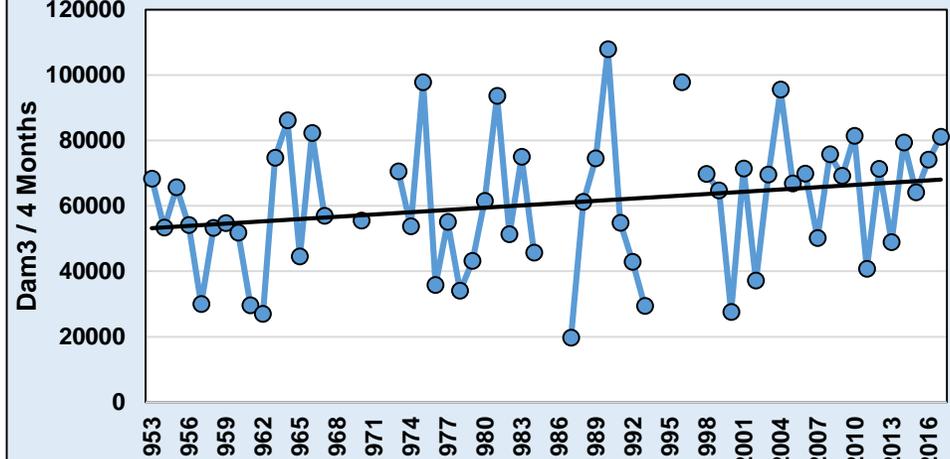
Summer Discharge (May-Aug) Sumas River



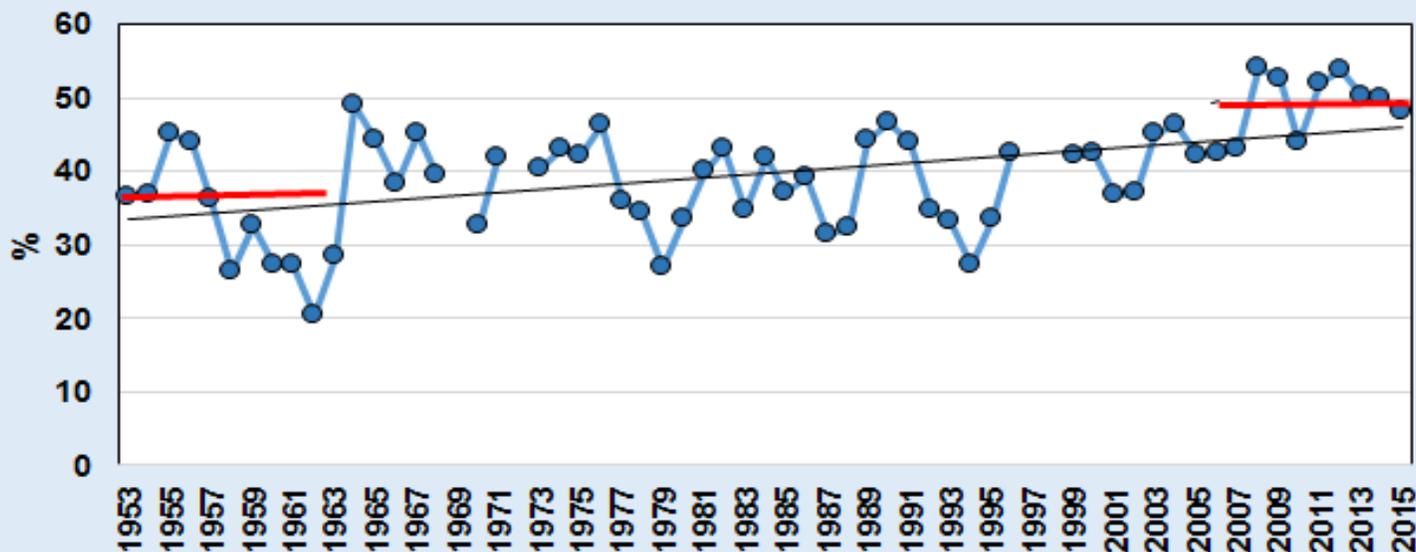
**Winter Precipitation Trends in Abbotsford
Nov-Feb 1945-2018**



Winter Discharge (Nov-Feb) Sumas River



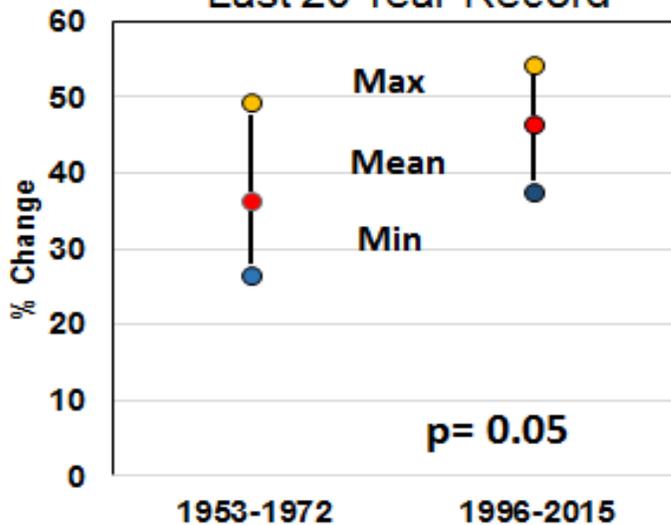
% of Annual Precipitation that is Discharged Annually from the Sumas River



10 Year Comparison

1953-1962 = 36%
 2006-2015 = 49%

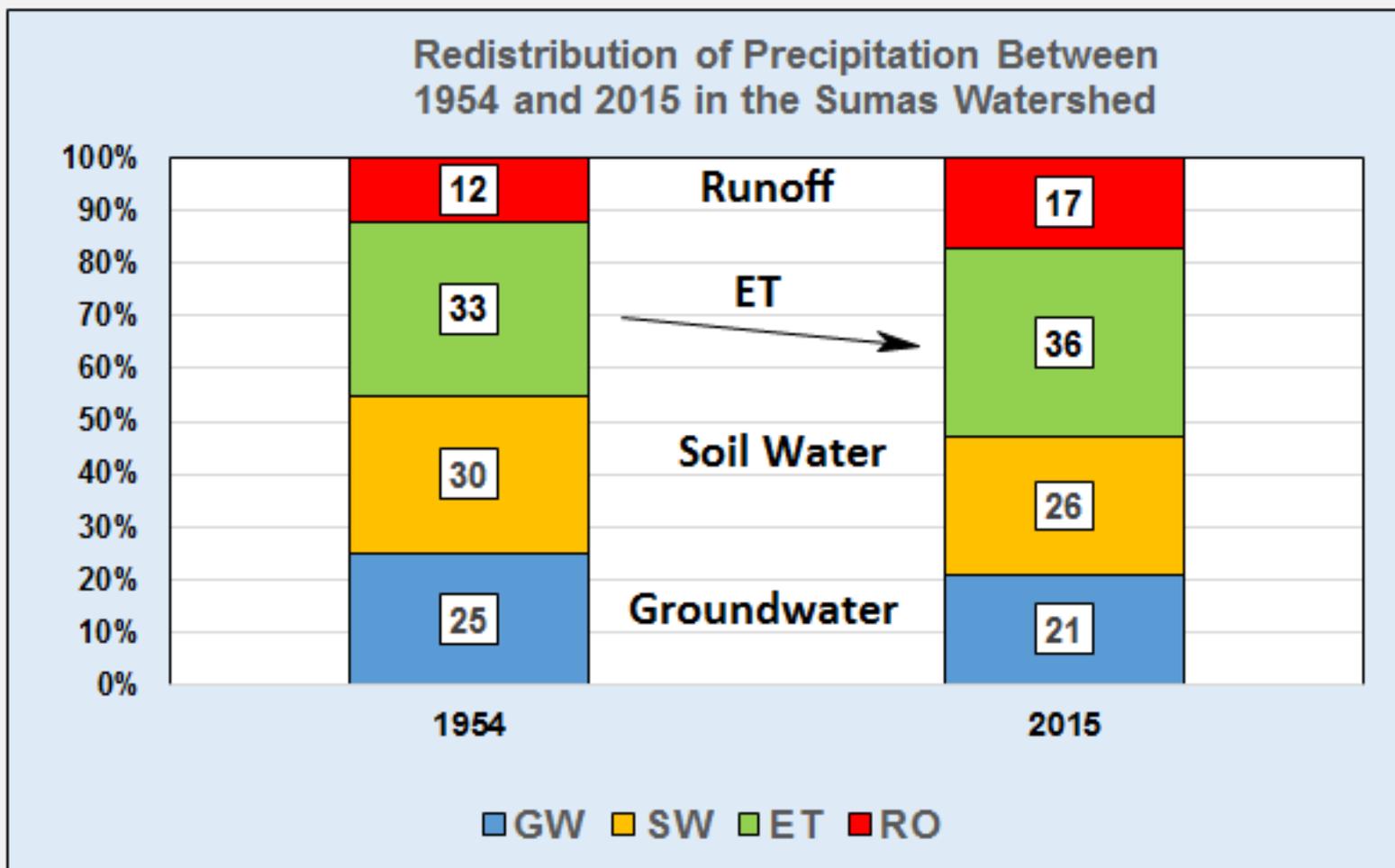
Difference between First and Last 20 Year Record



20 Year Comparison

1953-1972 = 36%
 1996-2015 = 46%

Redistribution of Precipitation Between 1954 & 2015 Sumas River Watershed



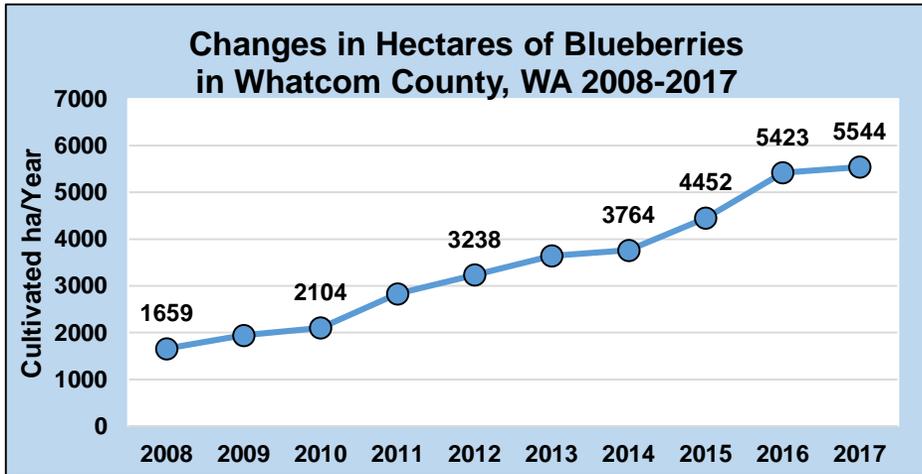
Water Balance

$$ET + SW + GW = P - Q$$

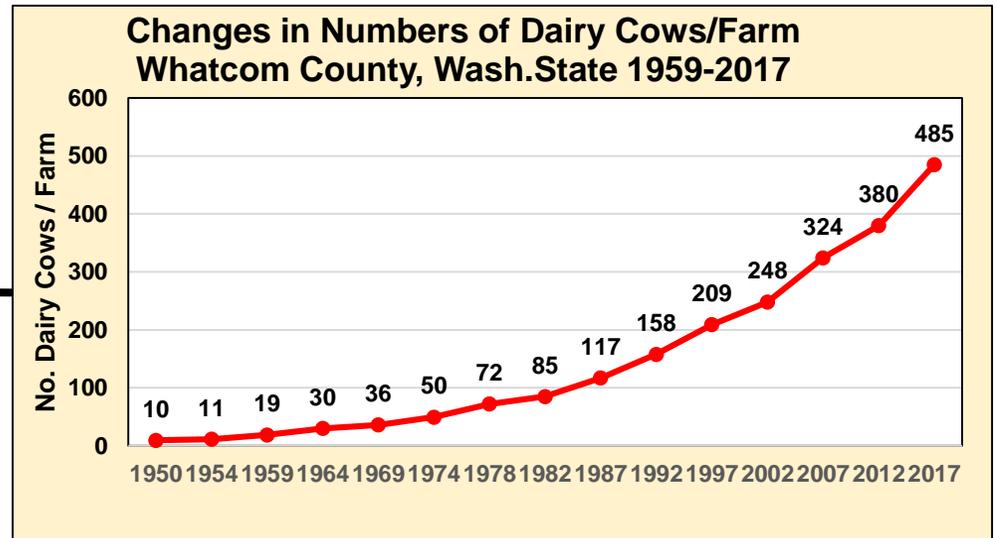
1. Soil Compaction
2. Drainage Increases
3. Increases in GW Use
4. More ET - Higher Temp.
5. SW & GW Recharge

SOIL Compaction

Dominant Land Use Activity in Watershed:
Dairy, Raspberries, Blueberries



Whatcom County, WA

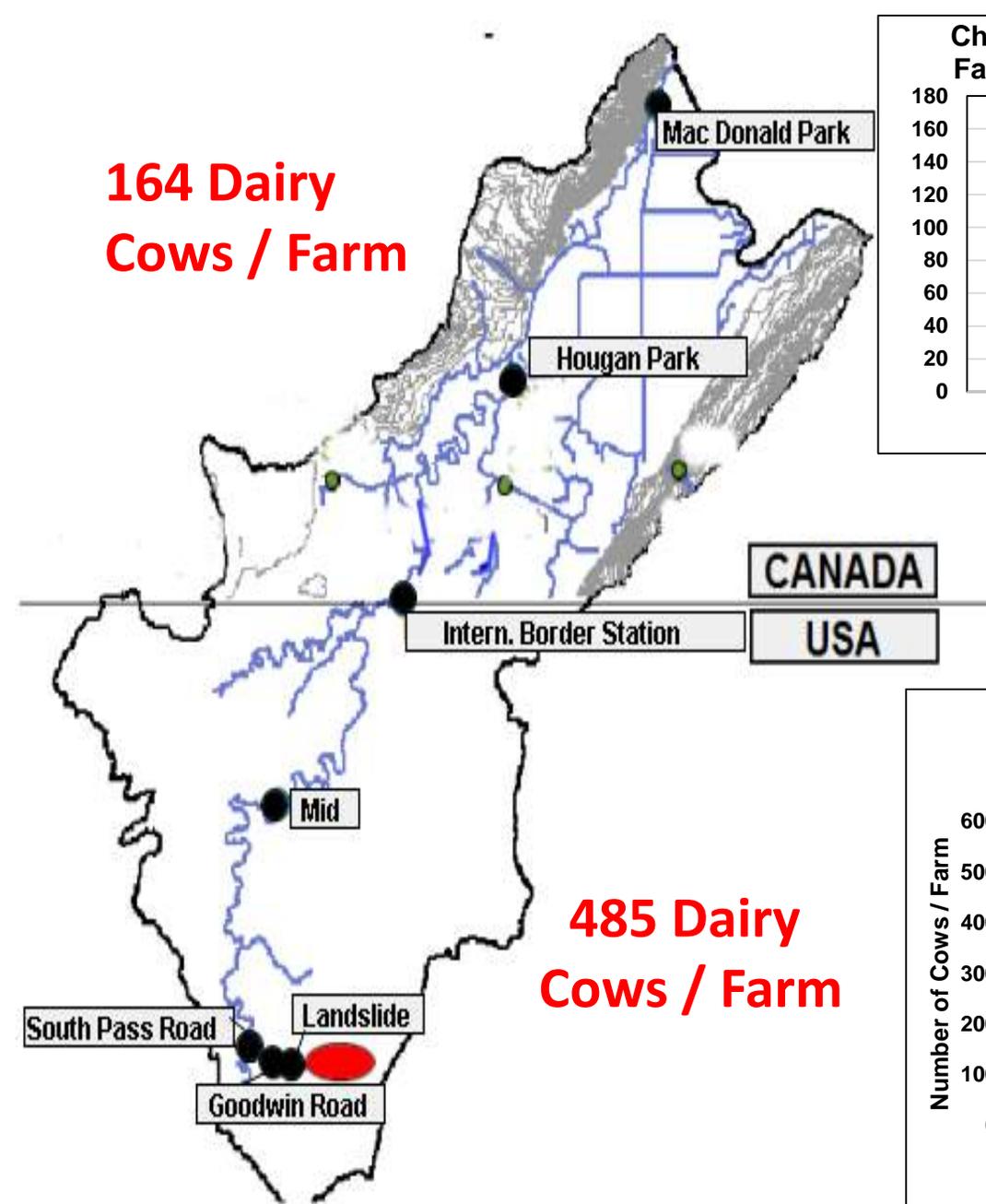
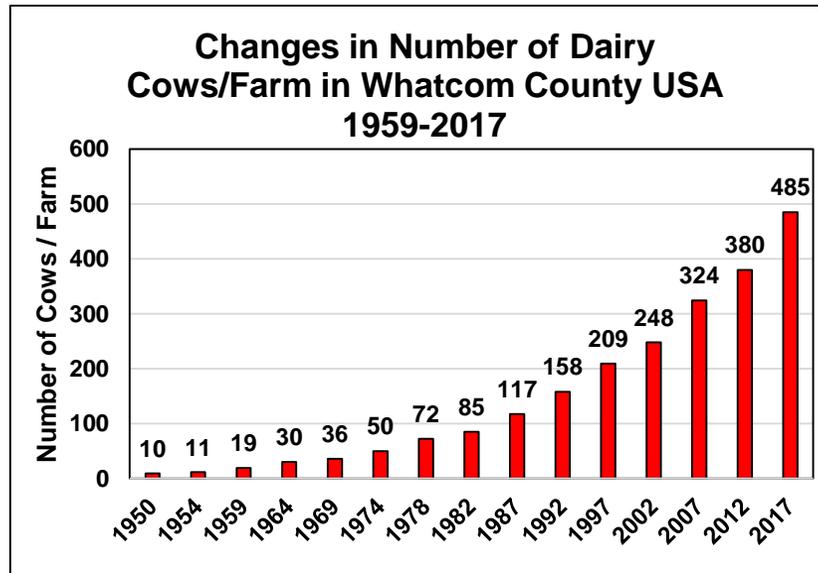
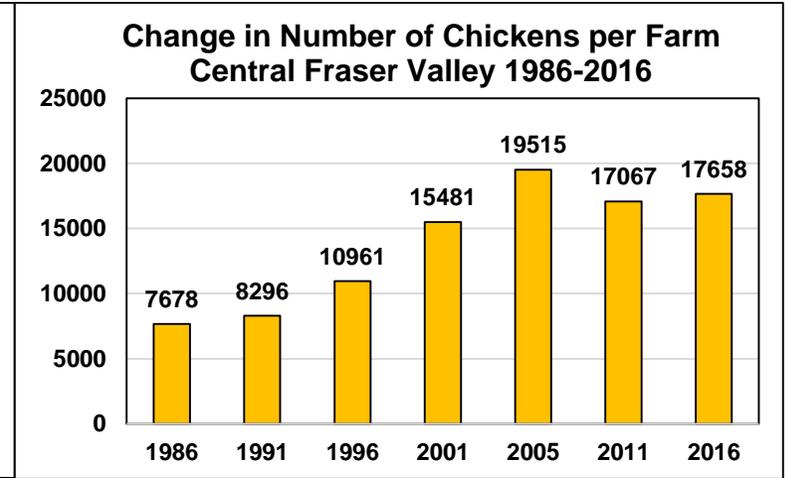
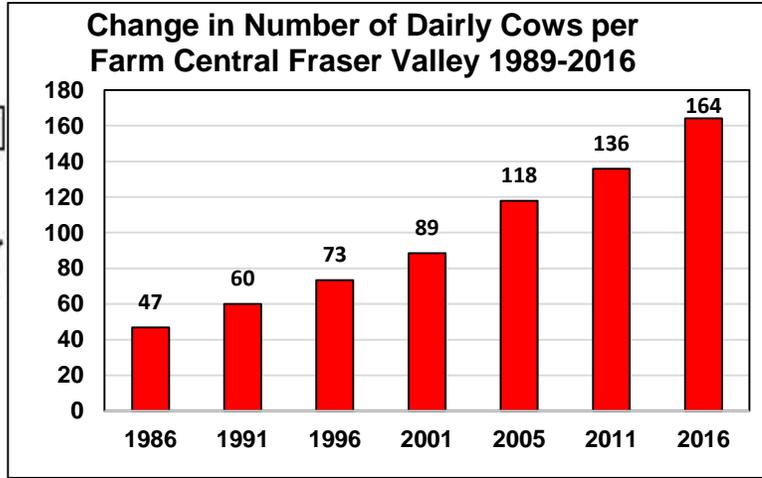




Soil Compaction and Impervious Surfaces = More Surface Runoff

**164 Dairy
Cows / Farm**

**485 Dairy
Cows / Farm**







Number of Discharge Event Leading to Floods

← Discharge in m³/Sec →

	30-39	40-49	50-58	Total #
1953-1973	3	0	0	3
1974-1994	4	3	1	8
1995-2015	8	1	1	10

← Minor Floods | Major Floods →

Agricultural Impacts on Water Resources

Urban Impacts

Reasons

Increasing Water Demand

**Need to Increase Production (>50%)
Increases for Irrigated Agriculture
Changes in Diets (Meat)**

Increasing Pollution (NPS)

**More Manure and Fertilizer Use
Land Degradation (Erosion, Turbidity)
More Pathogens (More Livestock)**

Increasing Green House Gases

**Large Increases in Ruminants (Manure)
Intensive Cultivation (Soil OM Loss)
Increases in Fertilizer Use**

**Increased
Climatic
Variability**

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Urbanization

Agriculture

Forestry

Mining

Recreation

Hydro-Power

Combined Land Use



**Creates Complexity
in Cumulative Effects**

Land Use Activities	Water Demand & Use	Surface Runoff	Water Pollution
Urbanization	Increasing Demand Summer Peak Use	Increased Surface Runoff & Floods	NPS & Wastewater Discharge
Agriculture	More Irrigation	More Runoff due to Soil Compaction	Nutrient, Sediments Pathogen Leaching
Forestry	Water for Fire Fighting	Road and after Fire Runoff	Sediments
Mining	Fracking Water & Processing	Runoff from Tailing Failures	Metals & Organics Hg and Cyanide
Recreation	Water for Snow Increasing Peak Use	Changes in Seasonal Runoff	Pathogens & Sediments
Hydro-Power	More Reservoirs Pump Storage	Release during Peak Demand	Flushing during Summer
Combined Land Use	Cumulative Effect on Water Use, Runoff & Pollution		