Wetlands in danger: a world conservation atlas.

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Abstract: This book offers a comprehensive coverage of the world's precious natural reserves, the wetlands and the dangers they face, and what must be done to preserve what remains of them. Areas explored range from the extensive Prairie Pothole region of North America, to the floodplains of the inner Niger Delta, to the vast mangrove stands of South Asia. The book also depicts the impact of the loss of wetlands on the people of these regions. The World Conservation Union has revealed how the short-term gains of intensive agriculture, hydroelectricity, or other development projects may lead to permanent loss of wetlands and their resources and may destroy the livelihood of those who depend on wetlands for pasture and local fisheries. Numerous up-to-date, full-color maps cover the wetlands region by region, giving information on the various types of wetland systems, wildlife, and vegetation in each area, and documenting the course of conversion and degradation. In addition to the breathtaking pictures of the wetlands, this book is a compelling call to reevaluate how man's actions can affect the ecological balance in these important regions.

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