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Inland water ecosystems are very valuable elements of the landscape. The natural evolution of these ecosystems used to be harmonious, sustainable and, above all, slow. The increase in the human population and various types of transformation of natural areas by humans have a very serious impact on the functioning of aquatic ecosystems. Agriculture, industry, and an increase in the acreage of urbanized areas in catchments of water reservoirs cause the degradation of water reservoirs. Only a small part of surface waters experiences low intensity of anthropopressure, but even such ecosystems are starting to feel global changes in climate and pollutant emissions, often not fully understood. Therefore, there is a constant need to analyze the functioning of water reservoirs to protect their biodiversity, to search for solutions that would allow for their effective protection against excessive eutrophication.

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