



America's Watershed Initiative Report Card

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Diverse Geographies





Diverse sectors





Diverse interests



Reservoir levels In-stream flows Now think about: Dam operations Infrastructure

Policy development Public funding



Uniting people, land and water across 31 states





Stronger with Diversity

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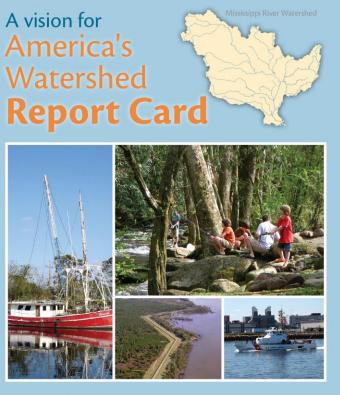








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Goals for America's Watershed

- Maintain supply of abundant clean water
- Provide reliable flood risk reduction
- Support local, state and national economies
- Support and enhance healthy and productive ecosystems
- Provide world-class recreation opportunities
- Serve as the nation's most valueable river transportation corridor



Goals for the report card

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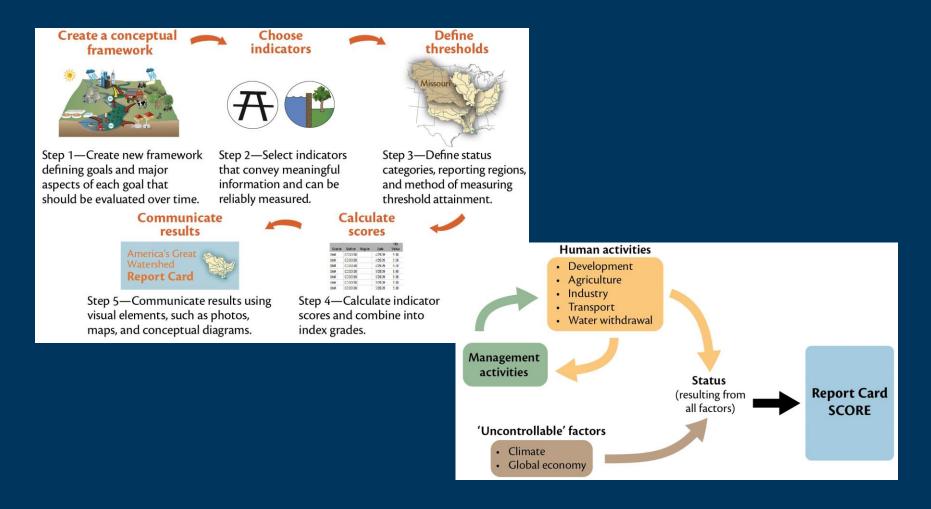
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The Report Card Process





Report Card workshops





Information for multiple uses





Thank you!

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The need for an integrated approach

- Escalating demand for water
- More extreme weather events

- Growing global demand for food & fiber
- Aging infrastructure with no sound source of funding

