

Watercycle- and Vegetation control, approaches for a sustainable Ressourcemanagement

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Attenuation of an energy-pulse to the mean





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Nature as a dynamic energydissipative process

Structures and distributes processes by means of the dynamic medium water in landscape

It controlles the atmosphere with respect to its process dynamics, composition und distribution

It controlles mechanical and chemical processes close to the soil surface and distributes thereby organisms, it eliminates randomness, minimises material flows, and increases sustainable development

It controlles temperature- and moisture patterns in space and time as a niche for all organisms





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Postglacial development of Lake Trummen (Sweden). Yearly deposition according to G. Digerfeldt (1972)



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Efficiency and selfoptimization in nature (ETR-concept)

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Theoretical basis for thermal efficiency



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Irreversible matter losses by precipitation and runoff in different landscape types



Source: Ripl 1995

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Development and Desertification of Landscape after glaciation had ceased

Water cycle, matter budget and temperature balance







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- Water in interaction with solid surface leads to sorting processes according to energetic dissipative properties (particle size, dissolution equilibria)
- stagnant water leads to conservation of structures (achievement of equilibrium)
- high and random water dynamics at liquid-solid interfaces lead to erosion of structures (increased mechanical and chemical interactions)
- optimized dissipative structures are dynamic metabolizing structures at lowest energy flow density



The dissipative water cycle





Indicators for sustainable and nonsustainable water cycles and landscapes







Brodowin RGB Composit July 1989 TM5









Brodowin July 1989 Kanal 6 TM5



phosphorus concentration and organism socialisation In both compartements is the same phosphorus content







Energy flow density and matter flow in the atmosphere











Present environmental politics: regulation by threshold values





Future target related regulation (holistic approach)







What are Natures ecological services for a sustainable society?

- The dissipative water cycle, evaporation and precipitation and its thermostatic function in the catchments
- The atmosphere in its composition, its distribution and its dynamics
- Soil fertility at dynamic conditions. Soil as the dynamic interface between vegetation and the minerogenic substrate under the local water-cycle conditions
- The selforganizing plant cover as the efficient protector of habitat stability

