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Why Are Wetlands Important?



Wetlands are important for a number of reasons, they play a very important role in the regulation of river flow as they filter out any pollutants and fertilizers. They also make a great habitat for plants, birds, frogs, insects etc.

Many valuable wetlands have been destroyed in the past, because people didn't realise how important they really were. Wetlands are being protected now in most parts of the world and damaged ones are being restored. Some benefits of wetlands include:

1. Wildlife habitat for birds, frog's etc.
2. Wetland filter out pollution to make the water pure (pollution control)
3. Tourism - people visit wetland sanctuaries for pleasure and learning

Provide 3 more reasons why wetlands are important or beneficial.

1) _____

2) _____

3) _____

Find out 3 plants and 3 animals that live in or around a wetland habitat.

Plants	Animals