



**ADAPTING
THE LEVELS**

Water:

Too Much or Too Little - There's Lots We Can Do!

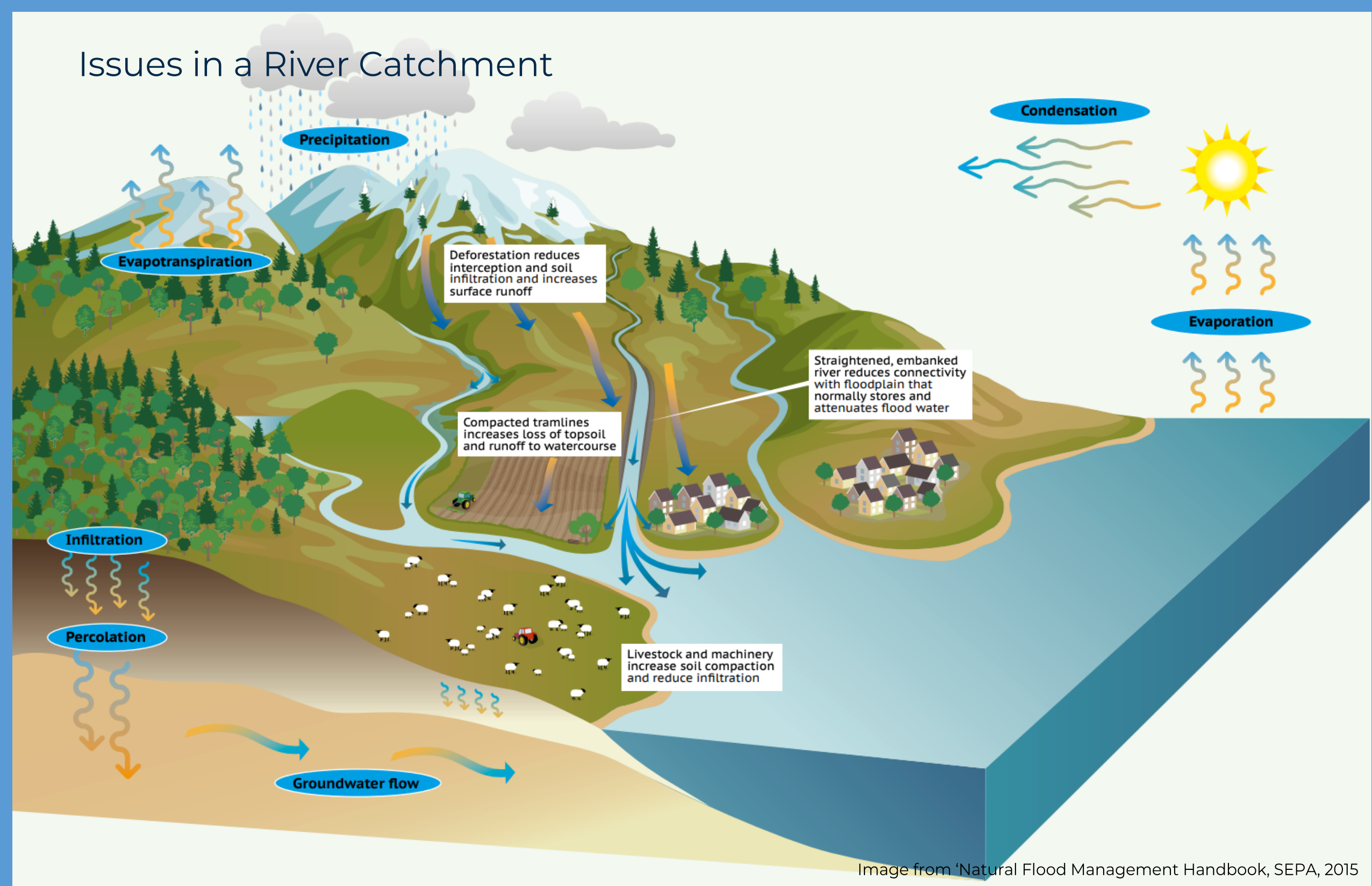
Natural River Systems: Looking at the Whole Catchment

With changing rainfall patterns, considering river systems as a whole is more important than ever. As well as using traditional flood defences, restoring some of the natural processes in river catchments can also help reduce the frequency and severity of flooding.

Natural Flood Management:

We cannot eliminate flood risk altogether, but by working with natural processes we can harness the power of nature to reduce flood and drought risk.

Nature based solutions are not a replacement for other flood defences, but work alongside and extend the life of engineering solutions. These methods are being used successfully across the UK, including in parts of Somerset.



Natural Flood Management techniques are often less invasive, more sustainable and cheaper than engineered flood defences, both in initial construction costs and long term maintenance.

They can be implemented from household to landscape scale, are usually very good value for money, and come with many other benefits to both people and wildlife.

Working with Natural Processes: from source to sea

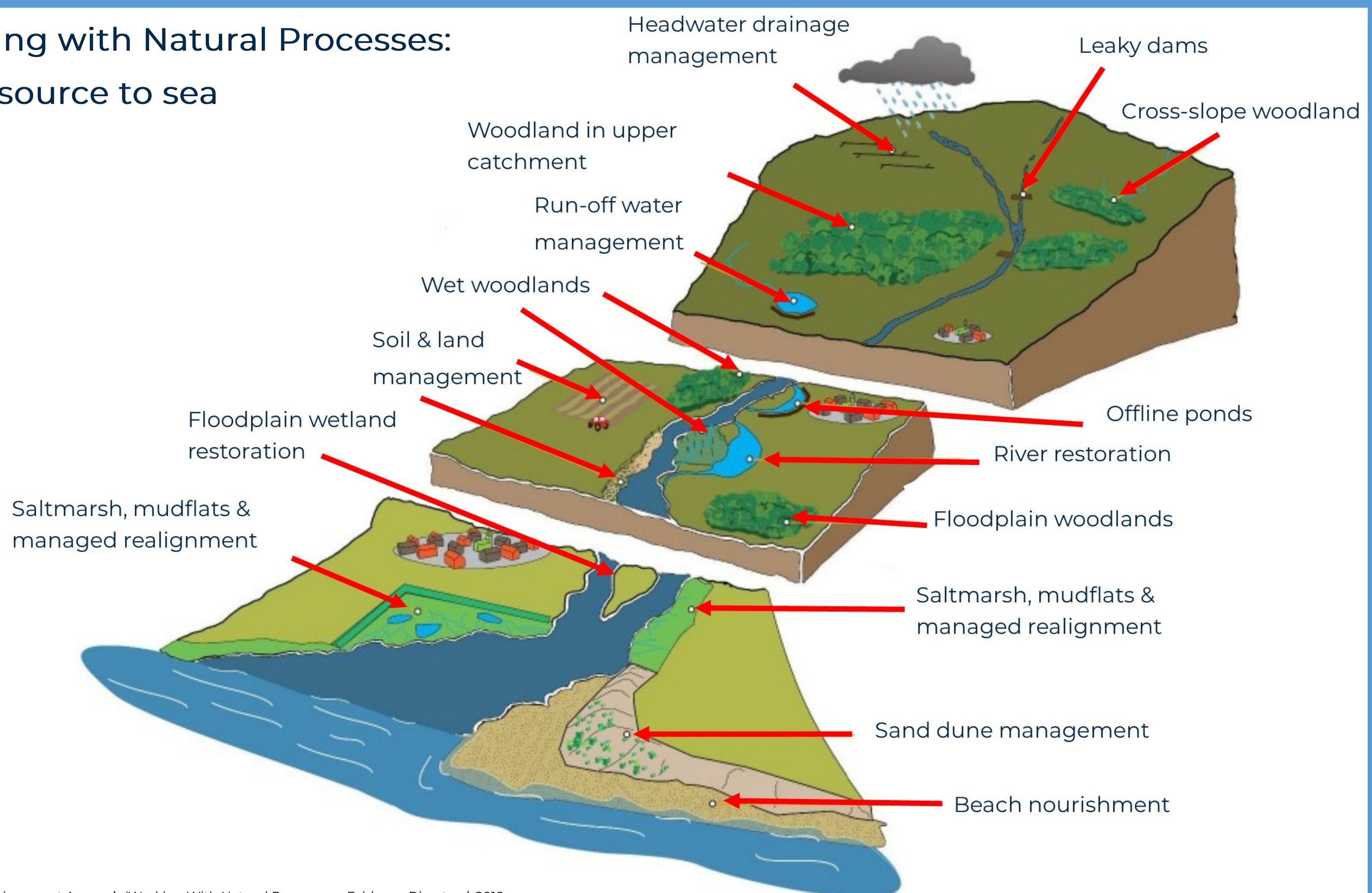


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