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## ABSTRACT

Development of proper attitudes, personal commitment, and direct involvement regarding the health of the community are the goals of this prototype curriculum for grades 7-9. Since man continues to change his natural environment, increasing awareness of the possible consequences of these changes to human life is stressed. Specific curriculum content studies: (1) history of public health, (2) scope of current public health problems, (3) relationships among environment, disease, and health, (4) environmental health problems, and (5) practices in disease prevention and control. Appended material includes a community clean air checklist, agencies involved in air pollution control, key dates in Federal Clean Waters Program, and bibliographies of multimedia resources. This publication is one in a series of health curriculum materials devoted to environmental and community health (Strand IV). Four other strands deal with physical and mental health, sociological health problems, and education for survival. The format consists of four columns intended to provide teachers with: (1) a basic content outline, (2) major understandings and fundamental concepts, (3) teaching aids and learning activities, and (4) information about resource materials, sources, and personnel. Because of the comprehensive nature of the total curriculum, teachers are advised to become familiar with all strands presently in print. Related documents in Strand IV are ED 037 738-9, ED 049 477-8, and SE 016 280-6. (BL)

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## FOREWORD

This publication contains curriculum suggestions for teaching Strand IV -- Environmental and Community Health: Environmental and Public Health, for grades 7, 8, and 9.

The publication format of four columns is intended to provide teachers with: a basic content outline in the first column; a listing of the major understandings and fundamental concepts which children may achieve in the second column; and information specifically designed for classroom teachers which should provide them with resource materials, teaching aids, and supplementary information in the third and fourth columns.

The comprehensive nature of the health program makes it imperative that teachers gain familiarity with all of the strands presently in print. In this way, important teaching-learning experiences may be developed by cross-referring from one strand to another.

It is recommended that the health coordinator in each school system review these materials carefully and consult with teachers, administrators, and leaders of interested parent groups in order to determine the most appropriate manner in which to utilize this strand as an integral part of a locally adapted, broad and comprehensive program in health education.

The curriculum materials presented here are in tentative form and are subject to modification in content and sequence. Critiques of the format, content, and sequence are welcomed.

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## OVERVIEW

The junior high school student is experiencing a stage of growth which makes it highly desirable that he become directly involved in the environmental and public health problems which obtain within his community. To bring about the development of proper attitudes, personal commitment, and direct involvement regarding the health of the community, each student should be provided with learning experiences related to —

1. His acquisition and understanding of basic knowledge of the pertinent aspects of the environment and its pollution;
2. His understanding of the urgent and critical nature of our public health problems and his becoming motivated toward bringing about a reversal of the trends in environmental destruction; and
3. His becoming personally committed to the immediate improvement of the environment and actively involved as a future adult citizen.

Since man continues to change his natural environment, he must become increasingly cognizant of the possible consequences of these changes to human life. Students should become aware of changes that affect life; they should become aware of what they can do, individually and collectively, to prevent harmful results, and maximize beneficial results of these changes. It is the school's immediate responsibility to evoke this awareness. Students should explore these significant questions:

What are the major public health problems?

What factors have created our present environmental and public health problems?

What kinds of public health programs exist? How successful are they?

How can each student become more actively involved in activities which will improve the environment?

What steps should be taken to show our recognition that our generation holds the earth and environment in trust for future generations?



## OUTCOMES

The development of positive attitudes toward one's personal relationship to and responsibility for the maintenance and improvement of a healthful environment should be the major goal to be accomplished by each student. To achieve this end each student in grades 7, 8, and 9 should —

Understand the nature of public health practice;

Understand the influence of history in establishing foundations for the extensive public health practices which exist today

Become familiar with the kinds of public health problems which exist and why they have become major problems;

Appreciate the changes which have occurred in the nature of health problems and the need to deal effectively with them on a group basis;

Understand why some health problems are personal in nature and others are the concern of the whole community; and

Learn how to become involved in ways of making the future a more healthful time to live.

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A. Foundations of public health	<p>Solutions or partial solutions to many of our present-day health problems were discovered many years ago.</p> <p>Many individuals were responsible for the discovery of health science knowledge throughout history.</p>	<p>Have students write a brief essay on the needs and functions of a local public health development.</p> <p>Each student should understand and be able to use the following vocabulary: epidemic, disease, endemic, pandemic, quarantine, public health, environment.</p> <p>Have students research the course of the Plague across Europe. This is still an exciting exercise in the epidemiology of a pandemic disease. (Use films or slides of this period.)</p> <p>Have the class develop guidelines for surveying the local community's public health. Include in your checklist the major environmental health problems of air and water pollution, waste disposal</p>	<p>A brief social history include: for grade the above brief summary</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- Egyptian</li> <li>- Hebrew</li> <li>- Greek history</li> <li>- Roman history</li> <li>- Highlight Ages</li> <li>- Crusades</li> <li>- Colonial</li> <li>- Period of</li> <li>- English</li> <li>- Miasma</li> <li>- Bacteriology</li> <li>- Modern</li> </ul> <p>Some of the contribute knowledge</p> <p>Hippocrates "Father of anticipate method of treating of Galen (about</p>



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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

The teacher should refer to chapter 1 in *Community Health* by C.L. Anderson, or chapters 1 and 2 in *Principles of Public Health Administration*, by J.J. Hanlon.

A brief summary of historical highlights should include: (See this strand for grades 4, 5, and 6 and the above sources for a brief summary.)

- Egyptian health codes
- Hebrew health codes
- Greek health codes
- Roman health codes
- Highlights of the Dark Ages
- Crusades and Renaissance
- Colonial America
- Period of Mysticism
- English reforms
- Miasma Period
- Bacteriological Period
- Modern Era

Some of the people who contributed to the health knowledge are:

Hippocrates (460?-377? B.C.)  
"Father of Medicine" - anticipated the scientific method of studying and treating disease.  
Galen (about 130-200)

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## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION FOR TEACHERS

Greek and later Roman physician - systematized earlier medical experience recorded by Egyptians and Greeks.

Celsus - Roman mathematician and physician who described the symptoms of infection. Arab and Jewish medicine in the height of Mohammedan Empire:

- Rhazes

- Avicenna

Andrea Vesalius (1514-1564) anatomy and surgery.

Francastoro - discovered and documented syphilis, William Harvey (1578-1657) discovered the circulation of blood.

Van Leeuwenhoek - (1632-1723) demonstrated the existence of microorganisms through the use of the microscope.

Sydenham (1624-1689) - father of epidemiology.

Jenner (1749-1813) - introduced the first preventive measure against a communicable disease, smallpox vaccine, concerned with yellow fever, etc.

Pasteur (1822-1895) - showed that communicable diseases are caused by micro-organisms entering the body from the outside, (germ theory).

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Each student may select one great person who has contributed to public health, find out all they can about him, and report to the class. Develop a chart on these people that shows how public health practice was influenced by their work.

Obtain copies of the Samuel Shattuck report and the Chadwick report.

Some students may want to study these reports and determine their implications for today's public health problems, contrasting the two reports. Some class discussions should follow.

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Semmelweis (1818-1865) - pioneer in maternal and child mortality problems.  
Koch (1843-1910) - isolation of specific organisms and technical method of bacteriology.  
Reed (1851-1902) - control of yellow fever.  
Ehrlich (1854-1913) - discovered arsenic compound effective against syphilis.  
VonBehring (1854-1917) - immunization against diphtheria.  
Woodard and Doering synthesized quinine to combat malaria.  
Salk - developed a vaccine against polio.  
Sabin - developed a vaccine against polio.

For a brief description of these two reports refer to pages 24, 25 in *Principles of Public Health Administration*, by J.J. Hanlon.

These reports are complex and detailed. The teacher may wish to summarize the major recommendations, strengths, and weaknesses for student use.

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Public health defined (Winslow): Public health is the science and art of preventing disease, prolonging life, promoting health and efficiency through organized community effort for:

- the sanitation of the environment
- the control of communicable infections
- the education of the individual in personal hygiene
- the organization of medical and nursing services for the early diagnosis and preventive treatment of disease
- the development of social machinery to ensure everyone a standard of living adequate for the maintenance of health, and the organization of these benefits so every citizen can realize his birthright of health and longevity

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Scope of public health is as follows:

1. Those fields in which activity must be on a community basis which include:
  - the supervision of food, water, milk supplies

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Invite the county commissioner of health to class to discuss the kinds of programs presently in operation and the kinds of programs planned for the future.

-Do these programs successfully improve our living conditions? How? Why?  
-Are programs which are planned for the future aimed at the more critical health issues? Explain.

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-insect, rodent control  
-prevention of air and water pollution

2. Those fields dealing with preventable illnesses, disabilities, or premature deaths:

-communicable diseases  
-dietary deficiencies  
-effects of drugs, narcotics, chemicals that are habitually used  
-allergic manifestations and their community sources

-specific mental, personality, and behavior disorders

-occupational health  
-cancer - prevention; detection

-cardiovascular diseases  
-conditions associated with maternal health and child growth and development

-hereditary conditions

-accidents

-rehabilitation

-dental caries

3. Those fields of medicine which need organized official leadership:

-professional training and education

-promotion of equitable distribution of personnel and facilities

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### A. Community and public health practice

Community health practice seeks to attain for each citizen: an absence of disabling defects and disorders, a state of vitality with an abundance of energy, the opportunity to do the things he is capable of doing, and the expansion of the individual's field of constructive activities.

A community is a group of inhabitants who live in a somewhat localized area under similar regulations of conduct and who have common interests and goals.

How might one's occupation affect health status? Are some occupations actually hazardous to health? Explain.

Have some members of the class read and report on the following books:

*Eleven blue men* by  
B. Roueche  
*Rats, lice and history*  
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-establishment of standards as a means to realize universal quality care

4. Research - scientific investigation and evaluation, relative to man's health and the sciences which deal with its improvement.

For a more complete description of community see pages 451-454, *Health for Effective Living*, by Johns et al., "A good community is one that provides essential services including health services." A health condition becomes a community health problem if:

- it is of a magnitude, or has potential to affect large segments of a community
- it can be prevented or corrected through techniques applicable to mass populations.

Another definition of public health (Hanlon, J.J., *Public Health Administration*)

summarizes seven categories:

1. activities conducted on a community basis
2. activities designed to prevent illness,

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B. Specific public health problems	Public health problems range from personal disabilities which may affect a community indirectly (diabetes, for example) to conditions or environmental situations which threaten the health of masses of people (communicable disease or air pollution, for instance).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- How closely do these practices relate to the definition of public health given in I-B of this strand?</li> <li>- Who benefits most from public health activities of official agencies — high, or low, socioeconomic groups? Why?</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>3. acti</li> <li>4. acti</li> <li>5. publ</li> <li>6. comp</li> <li>7. rese</li> <li>tech</li> <li>tive</li> </ul>
III. Relationships Among Environment, Disease, and Health	The factors which are related to the conservation of human resources are the interactions of man with his natural and artificial environments.	<p>Show the film: <i>Your health and your community</i>, McGraw-Hill. Have a member of the class obtain copies of the latest legislation regarding public health. (Write to your Congressman for these bills.)</p> <p>Invite the regional office representative for the New York State Department of Health or Congressman to class to discuss these legislative bills.</p> <p>Discuss what is meant by the conservation of human resources.</p>	<p>Some ex</p> <p>communi</p> <p>today i</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- popu</li> <li>- heal</li> <li>- to t</li> <li>- rode</li> <li>- poll</li> <li>- and</li> <li>- geria</li> <li>- menta</li> <li>- drugs</li> <li>- chemi</li> <li>- cardi</li> <li>- cance</li> <li>- health</li> <li>- to fo</li> </ul> <p>(C.L. A</p> <p>Health,</p>



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Public health problems range from personal disabilities which may affect a community indirectly (diabetes, for example) to conditions or environmental situations which threaten the health of masses of people (communicable disease or air pollution, for instance).

The factors which are related to the conservation of human resources are the interactions of man with his natural and artificial environments.

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- How closely do these practices relate to the definition of public health given in I-B of this strand?
- Who benefits most from public health activities of official agencies — high, or low, socioeconomic groups? Why?

Show the film: *Your health and your community*, McGraw-Hill. Have a member of the class obtain copies of the latest legislation regarding public health. (Write to your Congressman for these bills.)

Invite the regional office representative for the New York State Department of Health or Congressman to class to discuss these legislative bills.

Discuss what is meant by the conservation of human resources.

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disability, and premature death

3. activities related to the provision of medical care
4. activities concerned with the collection, protection, and analysis of vital records
5. public health education
6. comprehensive health planning and evaluation
7. research--scientific, technical, and administrative

Some examples of major community health problems today include:

- population increases
- health problems relative to the environment; rodents (rats), insects, pollution of air, water and general environment
- geriatrics
- mental health
- drugs, medicines, and chemicals
- cardiovascular diseases
- cancer
- health problems related to food and nutrition

(C.L. Anderson, *Community Health*, Chapter 3)

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### 1. *Physical and chemical nature*

Examples: Climate, weather, air pollution, radiation, noise, debris, soil

### 2. *Biological factors*

Examples: Food production, nutrition, physiological effects, poison, pathogens, vectors, water pollution, animal life

### 3. *Behavioral - Sociological interactions.*

Examples: Social structure, communication, learning, economics, mobility, leisure, stress, population imbalance. Climate - people living in temperate zones have longer life expectancy

### 4. *Climatic factors - influence economy and culture of nations*

### 5. *Population growth - affect pandemics, chronic diseases (infection).*

Present environmental practices and conditions that may lead to future health problems include: long-term exposure to

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- air pollutants
- . wide use of pesticide (ecological and genetic problems)
- . wide use of antibiotics in medical and animal husbandry fields
- . radiation exposure
- . noise pollution
- . overcrowding
- . increased speeds of transportation vehicles
- . use of atomic energy
- . dumping of garbage and refuse in oceans
- . dumping or burying of hazardous chemicals indiscriminately
- . changes in man's occupations
- . and his ability to adapt
- . general ecological imbalances

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- Is man improving his environment?

### IV. Environmental Health Problems

#### A. Water

##### 1. uses

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- . recreation
- . irrigation
- . industry
- . domestic use: cleansing and cooling the body, objects, or environment
- . transportation - conveyor for disposal of human and industrial waste
- . air conditioning
- . fire extinguisher

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Range of water use per urban dweller per day is 130-175 gallons.

The specific breakdown is as follows:

50 + gallons:	home use
50 "	industry
10 "	public needs
20 "	commerce
10 "	leaks, etc.

Ninety percent of industry and commerce water is re-circulated, reused, and returned. All water use, added together, expressed in terms of each person:

1965:	1700	gallons/person/day
1930:	2283	" " " "
2000:	2700	" " " "

Examples of water sources are: streams, lakes, cisterns, deep wells, springs, and desalination.

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### 3. protection of water

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Water for drinking purposes needs to be protected from contamination and pollution both before and after treatment.

The testing of well water for every individual well is required.

Public water supplies are continually monitored by professional personnel.

Chemical analysis for impurities is available in most areas through the Public Health Department.

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Discuss and consider methods used to protect water.

- How is it protected after purification?

Invite to class a representative of the water department to discuss the problem of maintaining safe water.

Visit a water filtration plant.

Find out how your community monitors its public water supply to ensure that it does not become polluted.

Define what is meant by polluted water. When does your community determine when a source is considered polluted? Identify the pollutants usually found in polluted water.

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Sanitary analysis is intended to furnish evidence of wholesomeness of water. Frequency of analysis is most important. Parts of a sanitary water analysis are: (1) physical tests, (2) chemical tests, (3) microscopic tests, (4) radiological tests.

Examples of agencies protecting water supplies include: Interstate Sanitation Commission, New York State Conservation Department, County Department of Public Works, Villages, Cities, Towns and Special Districts, County Health Department, New York State Environmental Conservation Department.

See the *Directory of Local Public Health Engineers and State Regional Sanitary Engineers - Water Resources Bureau* (Albany).

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Some pollutants added to the water as it is used include:

1. domestic wastes, such as human waste, detergents, household grease and oils, etc.

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Prepare a display diagram showing the role of the individual, industry, and the community in causing water pollution.

Interpret changes in civilization that have contributed to water contamination in your community.

Conduct a class discussion regarding the types of water pollution students have encountered. How can these conditions be connected? What can students do?

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2. industrial and commercial wastes, such as oils, chemicals, alkalis, dyes, detergents, lubricants, grit, and metals.
3. silt, nitrates, fertilizers, pesticides (insecticides and herbicides), and manure are agricultural losses of valuable products resulting from practices which permit erosion and run-off.

Some of the factors contributing to water pollution are:

1. tremendous growth of population, industry, commerce, and municipalities
2. rapid technological developments, e.g., increased use of chemicals, synthetics, pesticides
3. lack of adequate treatment facilities - outdated or inadequate
4. greater demand for water
5. man's carelessness and lack of consideration and lack of values
6. industry's lack of responsibility in returning some profits to maintaining the environment

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- . beauty

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Listen to and discuss Pete Seeger's water pollution song. What is its meaning for your community?

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7. allowing fresh water (rain) to mix with already contaminated earth and water
8. governmental inadequacy, delay or hesitancy in dealing with polluters
9. too-quick marketing of new substances without proper testing, understanding, control, or forethought

How water pollution affects each person:

1. Threat to health. Polluted water may be contaminated with viruses and bacteria that transmit scores of diseases.
2. Increased costs. It costs each person more for purification.
3. It lowers property values, making water frontage a liability instead of an asset to homeowners.
4. It discourages industrial expansion. Industry needs clean water to operate.
5. It discourages recreational areas. Boating, swimming, and fishing are clean-water sports. With our population increasing in numbers each year, we need more,

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6. It kills fish and wildlife. Thousands of fish are killed by pollution in New York State each year.

7. It robs us of beauty. The stench and ugliness of pollution is waste, neglect, and abuse of our heritage.

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Have the class study the list of key Federal laws protecting our waters.

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- How can youth become more involved in protecting our waters from pollution?

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Visit a sewage treatment plant in your community.

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- What are some of the major problems in treating this sewage? Are these new problems?
- Is this a primary, secondary, or tertiary treatment plant? Explain why. Is it adequate treatment?
- How does local industry prevent water pollution from its waste?

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See Appendix C for a listing of the key events in the Federal clear water programs.

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The treatment of sewage is directed toward five factors: (1) solids in suspension, (2) organic matter in suspension, (3) inorganic matter in suspension, (4) organic matter



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in solution, (5) bacteria. Primary treatment of sewage involves sedimentation of solid particles to the bottom of the clarifying tanks where action of anaerobic bacteria digest this material. Secondary treatment provides an environment in which the effluent comes into contact with air so that aerobic bacteria can oxidize material and thus reduce the oxygen demand of the sewage. Chlorine is used to decontaminate the effluent by destroying any bacteria that may remain. The final effluent is then poured into some kind of body of water.

Air pollution is not only a hazard to the health of people but also contributes to millions of dollars of cost in damage to property, wildlife, and plants. Air pollution, which has been accelerated by technology, is concentrated chiefly in urban areas.

Natural sources of air pollution include fog, dust,

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### 1. causes of air pollution

The increase in population, which results in increase in human activities, is the chief cause of air pollution -- "to live is to pollute."

Automobile exhaust is the chief offender regarding irritating smog.

The dynamic growth of the U.S. economy has brought an accompanying increase in air pollution.

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3. Make a study of their neighborhood, community, city, etc., listing industrial sources of pollution.

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salt spray, volcanoes, and pollens.

Sources of pollution related to man's activities are (1) home -- heating, cooking, waste incineration and fireplaces; (2) transportation -- motor vehicles, ships, railroads, and airplanes; (3) manufacturing and processing -- gases, solids, and odors; (4) radioactive emanations.

Every year automobiles burn more than 70 billion gallons of gasoline and consumption increases by 4 percent annually.

The amount of electric power produced in the United States has increased 50 fold in the last 50 years and will double again in the next decade. Four-fifths

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of this electricity is produced by fuel-burning power plants which discharge into the air millions of tons of sulfur dioxide, a highly irritating and harmful contaminant.

Each American produces more than 4 pounds of rubbish per day. The most prevalent method of disposal is burning, which produces contaminants even under the best conditions.

Source: "Clean Air for Your Community." U.S. Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Publication #1544.



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Compare the respiratory disease rates in geographic areas which have low levels of air pollution with those of high levels of pollutants. (Consult with the local health officer for data.)

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Ordinarily, air movement causes a dispersal of warm surface air into the colder upper atmosphere where the concentration of contaminants becomes diluted. With stable weather conditions, a thermal inversion occurs. The usual stratification of air is reversed. Warm air in the upper atmosphere forms like a lid over the colder air near the earth's surface, preventing pollutants from rising.

In different parts of the world, as well as the United States, illness and death have resulted from polluted air.

So far as health is concerned, the effects of ordinary concentrations of air pollutants are subtle, but real. While air pollution never appears as a cause of death on a death certificate, medical research implicates it. Polluted air does its damage slowly and in small doses, so that its effects are difficult to pinpoint. But statistics show a steady, steep increase in the incidence of such respiratory diseases

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Invite a representative from the Environmental Conservation Department to discuss the effects of pollution of all kinds on plant and wildlife.

### 3. prevention and control of air pollution

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Have students "invent" devices or methods they think will help to alleviate or to prevent further pollution of the air.

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as asthma, bronchitis, and emphysema. Urban areas with the dirtiest air have the greatest incidence of these diseases.

Polluted air brings constant annoyances - dirty windowsills, gritty skin, and dingy surroundings. Polluted air also results in economic losses. Houses must be repainted more frequently, clothing and draperies get dirty and wear out sooner, and plants die.

Some losses are less evident. Tires crack and wear out faster. Iron and steel rust more quickly. Silverware is perpetually tarnished. Even miles from the nearest city, crops may be damaged by air from urban areas.

Air pollution controls must have two major aims:

1. Control of (old) current sources of pollution by installation of necessary equipment to prevent pollutants from being released into the air.
2. Prevention of new sources of pollution by standards

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- Are they enforced?
- How are they enforced?
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Because air movement is not confined within the borders of cities, counties, and states, air pollution control necessarily involves widespread cooperation.

Investigate and make a list of all the agencies, public and private, concerned with air pollution. Show the film, *Air pollution - everyone's problem*.

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that require air pollution control devices in new factories, industries, etc.

### Agencies:

#### 1. Local

In New York State, Action for Clean Air Committees on the local level are organizing to combat air pollution.

#### 2. State

The New York State Department of Environmental Conservation and various representative air pollution organizations from surrounding states are cooperatively working for the abatement of air pollution.

#### 3. Federal

The Federal government through the Clean Air Act provides assistance to State and local governments for abatement of air pollution activities.

### Federal Clean Air Act

The National Air Pollution Control Administration provides technical assistance to State and local agencies to resolve specific technical problems or to plan effective control programs. Some State agencies are in a



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position to provide this same form of assistance.

Our present technology makes it possible to recover about 99 percent of particles in a gas stream, but some gases, unless in concentrated mixtures, cannot be recovered economically.

Recovery and re-cycling would permit conservation of many natural resources for the use of future generations. Every pound of sulfur dioxide that can be recovered and recycled as sulfuric acid will leave  $\frac{1}{2}$  pound of elemental sulfur in the earth for future generations.

The Federal Clean Air Act also provided for certain kinds of Federal control power. The Secretary of the Department of Health, Education, and Welfare may initiate control action, for

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Show the film, *A survey of refuse disposal methods*.

The responsibility of controlling refuse disposal and assuring proper handling in the communities lies in the hands of certain agencies, with co-operation of community members.

Have students do a survey of their community to find out sources of solid waste. Canvass stores, businesses, industries, and homes.

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example, if pollution arises in one State and endangers the health or welfare of persons in another State. This Federal power is intended to supplement that of State and local governments by providing a means of resolving problems of difficult interstate metropolitan areas.

An amendment to the Federal Clean Air Act also authorized control of emissions from new motor vehicles, beginning with 1968 models.

As society and technology have developed there has been a great increase in the use of throwaway containers, paper, plastic disposal items, etc., so that the volume of rubbish has mushroomed.

In order to find a way to control and handle disposal wastes, we must first have some idea of the sources of these wastes.

Major classes of refuse:  
Garbage: food and market wastes  
- Combustible rubbish  
- paper

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Methods of collection of garbage and refuse:

1. public - community service; public works department
2. private - private agency; contractor (licensed by local government)

A partial solution to the problem is to reuse containers or recycle container materials as a means of reducing the amount of solid waste for disposal. Aluminum, steel, paper, and glass can all be recycled. Glass, for example, has been crushed for use as a road construction material.

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Space travel presents two different related problems:

1. When traveling in space in a closed system, there must be life support systems that take care of refuse disposal and provide for the needs of the organisms in the closed system.
2. As man travels in space, some of his equipment becomes useless. Thus, the disposal of this equipment on the lunar surface, in orbit around a body, or simply floating in space may become an eventual, serious problem.

Definition: According to Webster's Dictionary, a pest is any plant or animal which is detrimental to man. Therefore, the use of the term pesticide will appropriately include the chemical compounds that

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serve as - insecticides, fungicides, herbicides, rodenticides, fumigants, and general pesticides.

#### Contribution to Agriculture and Nutrition:

A greater variety of food-stuffs, elimination of "seasonal foods" broad choice of meats, vegetables, and fruits the year around. This diversity has reduced incidence of endemic goiter, protein malnutrition, scurvy, and rickets.

It is an acknowledged fact that chemical pesticides of high toxicity are used with more thought to the case of solving the immediate agricultural problems than the possible damage that might result to man and other life.

#### Caution for use in home:

1. Consider all household pesticides as poison.
2. Do not stockpile pesticides.
3. Read labels and follow instructions.
4. Be conservative in use.
5. When spraying, remove or protect all food, and remove pets from the area.



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Discuss: Can a compromise be made between widespread use and controlled use of pesticides?

Have students, using ecological principles, devise a procedure for evaluating a pesticide before it is put into widespread use. Include a list of those characteristics which a pesticide must have in order to be effective and not harmful.

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7. Do not spray near an open flame.
8. Do not smoke while using spray.
9. Bathe exposed parts of body after spraying.
10. Use common sense when spraying. (Consumer Reports, July 1963)

No one agency is able to handle the complex problems inherent in the use of pesticides. Decisions regarding their use must be made in the light of knowledge in public health, toxicology, agriculture, fish and wildlife management, forestry, water, farm technology, and soil science and management.

Recommended reading for teachers: *Health needs in our environment*, 1964. National Health Forum, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania, March 9-11. National Health Council, 1970 Broadway, New York, New York. (Free)

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Suggest or arrange clean-up via mass media or neighborhood councils.

Visit the Health Department to determine program efforts; the responsible source of funds: local, State, Federal funds.

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Refer to "Rodent Education" -- Curriculum and film available from the New York State Health Department, 84 Holland Avenue, Albany, New York.

Rodents include all animals belonging to the order rodentia - squirrels, rats, mice, prairie dogs. A vector transfers pathogens from rodent to man. Control of rats is important in public health practice. Examples of some diseases transmitted by rats are:  
Murine typhus: rat-rat-flea-man  
Bubonic plague: rat-rat-flea-man  
Weil's disease: (infectious jaundice) urine of rat  
Salmonellosis: feces of rat and house mouse  
Kat bite fever: bacteria via bite  
Rickettsial pox: house mouse-mite-man



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Sounds under certain conditions may be both physically and psychologically harmful, particularly when exposure is continuous.

Have students identify and describe occasions when sounds have been uncomfortable, unpleasant, or painful.

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Official activities for control include:

- educational/promotional activities
- vector surveys
- research with regard to vectors
- materials and control measures
- direct application of pesticides

### Personnel:

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See *Strand I, Sensory Perception, grades 7, 8, and 9* for a more complete

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The deleterious effect of excessive noise from our environment requires that new ways to reduce noise levels be created.

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Discuss the changes in our society that have produced these increases in noise level in our environment.

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description of sound and its nature. See pages 20 and 21 for teacher references.

Prevention and control of noise pollution include: (1) survey of noise, (2) improved engineering methods, (3) development and use of personal protective equipment, (4) proper selection of personnel, and (5) careful city planning.

The teacher should refer to *Strand I, Diseases Prevention and Control*, pages 3-5 for a discussion of the ecological relationships of disease; pages 6-7 for a discussion of epidemiology; pages 8-14 for basic content relative to communicable disease; and page 14 for basic concepts related to the degenerative diseases.

The emphasis in this strand is placed on community or public health action available or required to alleviate disease conditions in our society. Refer also to *Strand IV, Human Ecology and World Health* for these important interrelationships.



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Identify, in order of importance, the major communicable diseases which are public health problems in the United States.

- Are these also major public health problems in other parts of the world? Explain.
- What kinds of changes have occurred in the past 10 years? 20 years? Why?
- What part do the following health sciences play in their control?
  - . Bacteriology
  - . Immunology
  - . Epidemiology
  - . Pharmacology

According to *Health Living*, detectable favorable the host agent, environment 287-289 describe of disease

#### B. Chronic and degenerative diseases

The chronic and degenerative diseases constitute the leading causes of death in the United States.

The chronic diseases are a significant cause of disability.

What are some of the public health implications with regard to the increase in the numbers of cases of degenerative diseases?

Identify and describe the five major chronic diseases in the United States.

- Whom do they affect mainly?
- Are they primarily disabling or leading causes of death?

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According to Johns, et al, *Health for effective living*, "Disease is the detectable result of the unfavorable equilibrium between the host and the disease agent in a particular environment." See pages 287-289 for a more complete description of the nature of disease.

Johns, et al, provide a comparison table for leading causes of death in the United States for 1900 and 1963 on page 333. Latest figures for New York State may be obtained through the New York State Department of Health.

Chronic diseases are simply defined as those which generally have a long-term effect, are permanent, are disabling to a more or lesser degree, or become progressively worse with age. These diseases

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- What kinds of changes have occurred? Why?

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- *Allergies*
- *The quest*
- *Heart disease: its major causes*

Invite the public health commissioner to class to discuss the changing role of public health from the control of communicable diseases to the chronic and degenerative diseases.

- Why are chronic diseases more of a problem today than 50 years ago?
- At what age do most of these diseases make their appearance?
- Is there anything people can do while young to prevent these diseases?
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Any listing of the chronic, constitutional, or degenerative diseases will include the:

1. Cardiovascular-renal diseases which include heart attacks, strokes, and nephritis
2. Cancer. This would include several different kinds of cancer with varying, as well as common, characteristics.
3. Diabetes mellitus
4. The rheumatoid diseases, including arthritis and gout
5. Certain chronic respiratory diseases, such as emphysema and chronic bronchitis
6. Allergic reactions of all kinds
7. A whole host of diseases which affect the nervous



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## APPENDIX A

### Community Clean Air Checklist

Even problems of air pollution which require a regional or a national approach are dependent on local action. For this reason every clean air program must start with the question: Is my community doing enough to control pollution?

The United States Public Health Service reports that every area with a population over 50,000, and many smaller communities, have polluted air. But this doesn't tell the complete story. A tiny town with a factory or a nuisance in or near it can have pollution problems just as severe as those of the large metro-

Each community must wage the fight for clean air on many fronts. The following questions can serve as a checklist:

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1. Is there an air pollution control agency and a pollution control ordinance?	1. Such an ordinance should provide for the identification of pollution sources and the enforcement of the ordinance should be adequately staffed and equipped.
2. Is the community monitoring the quality of its air?	2. More than 200 municipalities keep records of levels of pollutants in the air at monitoring stations of the National Air Pollution Administration's National Air Quality Network. Other cities have equipment that can provide information about air quality.
3. Does the community have air quality standards and goals?	3. Each geographic area of New York State is classified as to the air quality level to be achieved. Limits have been set for suspended particulate matter, sulfur dioxide, hydrogen sulfide, sulfur oxides - and for fluorides in the air. (See Part 501, Air Quality Standards - Classification System.)
4. Do major users of heavy fuel oil and coal use control devices to reduce the emission of smoke and soot?	4. Modern controls can keep up to date with the requirements that are mandatory in many areas.

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1. Does the community have a pollution control agency and a clean air ordinance?	1. Such an ordinance should provide for adequate control of pollution sources and the enforcement agency should be adequately staffed and financed.
2. Does the community have a program for monitoring the quality of its air?	2. More than 200 municipalities keep informed about the levels of pollutants in the air through local stations of the National Air Pollution Control Administration's National Air Surveillance Network. Other cities have equipment that gives more detailed information about air quality.
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4. Does the community have a program to reduce the emission of smoke from heavy fuel oil and coal use?	4. Modern controls can keep up to 99 percent of particulate matter out of the air. These controls are mandatory in many areas.



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| 5. Are actual and potential industrial emissions under regulation?   | 5. In many cases, careful supervision by industry can keep the emissions of industrial equipment to a liveable level. When new equipment is installed, local officials should review the plans to ensure that proper control devices and techniques are used.                    |
| 6. Are there regulations controlling the installation of new residential and business equipment that may cause pollution?                  | 6. Home furnaces and incinerators, space heating equipment and boilers, and other such equipment should be inspected by pollution control officials before installation.   |
| 7. Does the community have a satisfactory method of trash disposal?  | 7. Although burning trash in open areas is a common method, it is also the most ineffectual and harmful. A properly planned incinerator is preferable; a well-run landfill still better.   |
| 8. Are there arrangements for smokeless disposal of leaves in your community?  | 8. Smoke from burning leaves is among the most irritating of pollutants.   |
| 9. Is there a formal body, including representatives of government, industry, and the public, organized to improve the quality of the air? | 9. A citizens' group, meeting regularly, can draw attention on the problem, bring it to the attention of local officials, and stimulate a continuing effort for clear air.   |
| 10. Is there an organization concerned with plans for mass transit, land use, and open spaces?   | 10. It should consider the impact of land use on air quality. Air pollution happens in relation to land use. Proper planning is needed to prevent it. Wind patterns should be considered in the siting of parks, residential areas, highways, and other facilities are laid out. |
| 11. Are there regulations covering the type and quality of the fuel that is used in the community?   | 11. A growing number of municipalities are beginning to decrease emissions of sulfur dioxide by regulating the type of fuel used.  |
| 12. Is the community making full use of outside financial help?  | 12. State and Federal funds often are available to set up pollution control programs or to supplement existing programs. In many cases, local officials should make full use of these funds.   |

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Source: *Clean air for your community*  
U.S. Department of Health,  
Education and Welfare.  
Publication #1544.

New York State Department of Environmental Conservation  
50 Wolf Road  
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*Pollution primer.* National Tuberculosis and Respiratory  
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## APPENDIX B

### Community Air Pollution Control Responsibility

Federal Clean Air Act of 1967:

#### Agencies involved in air pollution control

- A. Atomic Energy Commission
  - . Nationwide sampling program
  - . Nuclear detonations and fallout
  - . Use of isotopes
  - . All airborne radioactive material
- B. Department of Agriculture
  - . As it affects persons, animals, and plants
- C. Department of Commerce
  - . National Bureau of Standards in chemical and physical problems, especially with methods of study analysis and techniques
  - . Weather Bureau - through continuous measurements of temperature, motion, humidity, and the changing properties of the atmosphere
  - . Civil Aeronautics Administration - with effects of visibility and aircraft operation
- D. Department of Defense
  - . Relation of visibility and flight safety
  - . Effects on health and safety of personnel
  - . Control in plants operated by services
- E. Department of Interior
  - . Bureau of Mines concerned with utilization of fuels and minerals

## APPENDIX C

### Key dates in Federal Clean Waters Program:

- 1899, Rivers and Harbors Act.  
Prohibited discharge or deposit into any navigable waters of any refuse except that which flowed from streets and sewers in a liquid state.
- 1912, Public Health Service Act.  
Authorized surveys and studies of water pollution, particularly as it affected human health.
- 1924 Oil Pollution Act.  
Prohibited oil discharges into coastal waters damaging to aquatic life, harbors and docks, and recreational facilities.
- 1948, First Federal Water Pollution Control Act with a 5-year expiration date.
- 1953, Federal Water Pollution Control Act extended for 3 years.
- 1956, First permanent Federal Water Pollution Control Act.  
Extended and strengthened the 1948 law in areas of enforcement and research and initiated grants for construction of municipal waste treatment works and research.
- 1965, Water Quality Act, further Federal Water Pollution Control Act, created a Federal Water Pollution Control Administration in the Department of Health, Education and Welfare. Required establishment of standards for all interstate and foreign waters.
- 1966, Federal Water Pollution Control Act transferred to Department of the Interior by President's Reorganization Plan No. 1.
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TEACHER REFERENCES

These supplementary aids have not been evaluated. The list is appended for teacher convenience only and teachers in the field are requested to critically evaluate the materials and to forward their comments to the Curriculum Development Center.

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Many books listed here will be of value to students as well as to teachers.

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Film Library Supervisor  
 Office of Public Health Education  
 New York State Department of Health  
 84 Holland Avenue  
 Albany, New York 12208

*Air pollution, everyone's problem.* KSC. 20 minutes. Color.  
 The story of air pollution, its causes and effects.

*Better water for Americans.* AWWA. 14 minutes. b&w.  
 Describes the fundamentals of the water supply industry.

*Crisis on our rivers.* NYH. 13½ minutes. Color.  
 It emphasizes that water pollution is the responsibility of every citizen. Shows various  
 that ruin the use of our streams.

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our streams.

*Crisis on the Kanawha.* ORS. 22 minutes. Color.

Causes of pollution are discussed and methods of prevention and treatment shown.

*A decent burial.* 12½ minutes. Color.

The film explains the effectiveness and economy of the sanitary-landfill method of re

*Every drop a safe one.* NMPC. 10 minutes. b&w.

Illustrates the danger of drinking water from streams exposed to pollution and reveals steps taken to control the quality of water delivered to the public.

*Finding out about the water cycles.* UWF. 13½ minutes. Color.

Good explanation of evaporation, transpiration, condensation, and precipitation given explains how water constantly moves and changes from one state to another.

*The first mile up.* CMGHP. 28 minutes. b&w.

A study of the current air pollution problem. Factors involved in air pollution are c

*Health and the cycle of water.* CIPR. 20 minutes. b&w.

Water in its cycle is shown at the source, is purified, enters the home, leaves the ho and thence, through sewage treatment plant, to the sea where it is again evaporated and c

*A healthier place to live.* CDC. 12 minutes. b&w.

Stressing basic principles of environmental sanitation and taken in a typical domestic labor camp. The responsibilities of workers, growers, leaders and others for providing a healthful surroundings in camps are clearly indicated.

*Ill winds on a sunny day.* CDC. 29 minutes. Color.

The film points out how air pollution has involved from a relatively simple problem to dangerous problem affecting the entire nation.

*It's your decision: clean water.* SDA. 14½ minutes. Color.

The film stresses the need for immediate community action to ensure abundant supplies the future. The decision to have good sewage treatment depends on the will of the commun

*Keep 'em out.* USPHS. 10 minutes. b&w.

Rats spoil food, destroy buildings, and spread disease. Demonstrates control measures trapping, and ratproof construction of buildings.

*Key to progress.* CSPA. 20 minutes. Color.

This film is an excellent presentation of community efforts to obtain a sewage treatme



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S. 20 minutes. Color.  
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*Municipal sewage treatment processes.* UWF. 13 minutes. b&w.

Shows in detail the equipment and processes which reduce sewage to harmless effluent and so protecting health and conserving water resources.

*Oops!* STF. 20 minutes. Color.

Shows how careless actions within a plant can result in stream pollution and how to guard against such situations.

*The river must live.* SHELL. 21 minutes. Color.

The film shows how a river cleanses itself, what happens when it is overloaded with waste, and how it is saved if only man would ease the burden so nature can do its job.

*Take a deep breath.* CDC. 25 minutes. b&w.

A documentary treatment of the air pollution problem with emphasis on the health effects to man. It discusses the need for voluntary action by industry and the public in order to achieve control of air pollution.

*The third pollution.* STF. 23 minutes. Color.

The film demonstrates and explains how burning refuse contributes to air pollution, and how burning refuse contaminates water. It emphasizes that collection and disposal of solid wastes are expensive and technically challenging.

*Troubled waters.* USSC. 26 minutes. Color.

Describes the extent of water pollution in many of the major watercourses and the action taken by Federal, State, and local authorities to fulfill the need for pollution research, treatment, plant construction, and control legislation.

*Water.* CMC. 14½ minutes. Color.

The general problems related to worldwide water needs and availability are presented. It stresses the need for cooperation among countries for a common goal.

*The waters around us.* WNYC. 25 minutes. b&w.

A documentary film dealing with the problem of water pollution as it affects the City of New York. Features the story of Owl's Head sewage treatment plant, which is a part of the plan to eliminate raw sewage from the waters that surround the city.

*Wise use of water resources.* UWF. 13½ minutes. Color.

Illustrates concepts relating to the properties of water; its abundance; its value as a natural resource; and its use for consumer supply. Conservation methods are emphasized.

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*With each breath.* NYH. 28½ minutes. Color.

This film is presented by the New York State Department of Health to advance public understanding of the issues involved in the fight for clean air.

The Department of Health maintains a film library, containing up-to-date accurate films on health. Additional films are listed in the *Health Film Catalogue and Supplement*.

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*Air pollution.* JOU. 10 minutes. Color.

Discusses air pollution - its origins, perils, and possible remedies.

*Another light.* IFB. 25 minutes. b&w.

Shows how the people of a small town helped raise funds for a new hospital.

*Arteries of life.* EBEC. 10 minutes. Color.

Shows the functions of plant life in catching and storing water, in maintaining top soil cycle, and the water table.

*Auto, U.S.A.* DYN. 27 minutes. Color and b&w.

Explains that the great rise in the number of motor vehicles is threatening the economic health of our communities.

*Beautiful river.* NBCEE. 26 minutes. Color.

This is the story of the Connecticut River, once renowned for its great beauty, now a river by many standards.

*Breath of life.* PFP. 16 minutes. Color.

Explains where and when to use mouth-to-mouth breathing and tells why it is the best method.

*Breathe at your own risk.* CDC. 58 minutes. b&w.

Shows scenes of air pollution at its worst from Los Angeles to New York.

*Challenge to mankind.* CMGHF. 28 minutes. b&w.

Five well known authorities express their views on the threat to mankind of overpopulation and some possible solutions.

*Conserving our water resources today.* CORF. 11 minutes. Color and b&w.

A survey of the domestic agricultural and industrial uses of water in the U.S.

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YH. 28½ minutes. Color.

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Pollution - its origins, perils, and possible remedies.

25 minutes. b&w.  
People of a small town helped raise funds for a new hospital.

BEC. 10 minutes. Color.  
Functions of plant life in catching and storing water, in maintaining top soil, the water table.

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*Control or destroy.* NBCEE. 12 minutes. b&w.

The overpopulation warnings are a grave concern, but a crisis is less likely as farming methods throughout the world improve and more people are instructed in methods of birth control.

*Cry of the marsh.* NYSCD. 12 minutes. Color.

A powerful and emotional film that captures the poetic beauty of marsh life, then the awesome finality which results when man reclaims a marsh for other purposes.

*Defending the cities health.* EBEC. 11 minutes. b&w.

Describes factors which affect the health of cities.

*Garbage explosion.* EBEC. 16 minutes. Color and b&w.

This film investigates the nature, volume, and composition of solid wastes. It presents advantages and disadvantages of current disposal methods and shows possible long range solutions.

*Good riddance.* ORS. 29 minutes. Color.

The dangers of pollution to city water supply systems, recreational areas, to fish and wildlife are dramatically illustrated.

*Harvest of shame.* CMGHF. Narrated by Edward Murrow. 54 minutes. b&w.

The degradation and exploration of millions of migrant workers in the U.S. are shown.

*Heritage of splendor.* NYSCD. 18 minutes. Color. Narrated by Ronald Regan.

Emphasizes the importance of preserving America's great natural resources.

*House of man: our crowded environment.* EBEC. 11 minutes. Color and b&w.

Shows the problems that have resulted from the population explosion of the 20th century. The challenge: to apply our increased technological understanding to safeguarding a quality future.

*Hunger in America.* CBSTV. 60 minutes. b&w.

Presents a study of areas in the U.S. dealing with poverty among minority groups. Includes suggested remedies and a study of the current food programs.

*A land betrayed.* NEW. 10 minutes. Color.

Shows that people are the only ones who can make America ugly and people are the only ones who can restore and protect her beauty.

*Lassie's litter.* NYSCD. 28 minutes. Color.

Lassie dramatizes the serious consequences of dropping litter. Her heroism and a man's courage protect wildlife from annihilation.

*Let's keep America beautiful.* NYSCD. 20 minutes. Color.  
Deals with litterbugs and how to keep our countryside clean.

*Life in the balance.* SCF. 30 minutes. Color.  
Photography from seven countries traces patterns of world food shortages.

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An antilitter campaign aimed at teen-age level.

*Man's problem.* EBEC. 20 minutes. Color.  
Demonstrates our absolute dependence on an adequate supply of water and outlines steps to be followed in making water available for our increasing population.

*Nation of spoilers.* NYSCD. 11 minutes. Color.  
Shows the most common kinds of vandalism. Discusses the reasons why people deface public property and litter the countryside.

*Nature's plan.* EBEC. 15 minutes. Color.  
Describes the water cycle as nature's plan for providing all living things with life-giving water.

*A nice place to visit, but.* NYSCD. 3½ minut Color.  
Visual pollution in an urban area is seen through the eyes of a guest from abroad.

*Noise boom.* NBCEE. 26 minutes. Color.  
Noise is a health hazard. This is a report on this particularly dangerous form of environmental pollution and on what interested citizens and technology can do about lessening it.

*No turning back.* NBCEE. 10 minutes. b&w.  
We are presently enduring the dehumanization of the dangers of environmental pollution. It will soon be too late to change this direction.

*Our poisoned air.* CDC. 58 minutes.  
Answers the questions: What is air pollution? What does it do to us and our environment? What is being done to control air pollution? What further action is required?

*Our vanishing fresh air.* PGW. 55 minutes. Color.

This film deals with the air pollution problems faced by industrial cities, both large and small.

*People by the billions.* CMGHF. 28 minutes. b&w.

Examines the implications of the population explosion.

*The poisoned air.* CAROUF. 50 minutes. Color and b&w.

John W. Gardner is joined by representatives of the automobile and petroleum industries in discussing ways and means of dealing with unclean air.

*Population ecology.* EBEC. 19 minutes. Color.

The film dramatizes the effects of environment as they relate to surplus or decline of births over deaths.

*Problems of conservation: our natural resources.* EBEC. 11 minutes. Color and b&w.

The film establishes man's reliance on resources, his misuse of some resources, and current efforts to conserve resources. Man must control his population and pollution to keep the earth habitable.

*Problems of conservation: water.* EBEC. 16 minutes. Color and b&w.

Documents two basic water problems obtaining an adequate supply of fresh water and maintaining existing supplies.

*Problems with water is people.* CMGHF. 30 minutes. Color.

Traces the Colorado River watershed from the snow covered Rockies to the delta in Baja, California.

*Radiation in perspective.* USDA. 43 minutes. Color.

Beneficial uses of radioactive materials in medicine, research, industry, and other fields are explored in this film. The health hazards of radiation exposure are explained.

*Ravaged earth.* NBCEE. 27 minutes. Color.

Scarred and torn, the land of the strip mines is a desolate moonscape. Stewart Udall points out that although strip mining is presently profitable, when land is permanently destroyed, it is both foolish and shortsighted.

*Regulation of atomic radiation.* USNAC. 29 minutes. Color.

Surveys the work of the Atomic Energy Commission in licensing and regulating the use of nuclear materials.

*Sources of air pollution, Effects of air pollution, Control of air pollution.* USNAC. 5 minutes. Color.

Explain the relationship between the modern technological way of life and air pollution.



*The squeeze.* NEW. 10 minutes. b&w.

Creates an effective basis for discussion and study of the world's population problem.

*Tom Lehrer sings "Pollution."* NYSCD. 2½ minutes. Color.

Tom Lehrer sings about pollution in America in a humorous but dramatically expressive way.

*Up to our necks.* NBCEE. 26 minutes. Color.

New York City produces tons of garbage per year and by 1975 all the city's land-fill areas will be exhausted. This film explores some of the alternatives now available.

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*Water for the community.* CORF. 11 minutes. Color and b&w.

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