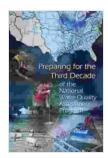
Preparing for the Third Decade of the National Water Quality Assessment Program: A Call to Action

The National Water Quality Assessment (NAWQA) Program is a long-term monitoring program that provides scientific data on the quality of the nation's water resources. The program was established in 1991, and the first decade of monitoring was completed in 2001. The second decade of monitoring began in 2002, and is scheduled to be completed in 2012. The third decade of monitoring is scheduled to begin in 2013.



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The NAWQA Program is a collaborative effort between the U.S. Geological Survey (USGS) and state, local, and tribal water-quality agencies. The program collects data on a wide range of water-quality indicators, including nutrients, pesticides, herbicides, metals, and bacteria. The data are used to assess the current status of the nation's water resources, to identify trends in water quality, and to develop water-quality management strategies.

The NAWQA Program has made a significant contribution to our understanding of the quality of the nation's water resources. The program has provided data on the occurrence of a wide range of water-quality contaminants, and has identified trends in water quality. The data have been used to develop water-quality management strategies, and to protect the nation's water resources.

The Third Decade of the NAWQA Program

The third decade of the NAWQA Program will build on the successes of the first two decades. The program will continue to collect data on a wide range of water-quality indicators, and will expand its monitoring network to include new areas of the country. The program will also develop new tools and methods for assessing water quality, and will work with stakeholders to develop water-quality management strategies.

The third decade of the NAWQA Program is a critical time for water-quality monitoring. The nation's water resources are facing a number of challenges, including climate change, population growth, and urbanization. These challenges are putting increasing stress on the nation's water resources, and it is important to have a strong monitoring program in place to track the changes in water quality.

The NAWQA Program is a valuable tool for water-quality management. The data collected by the program are used to develop water-quality management strategies, and to protect the nation's water resources. The third decade of the NAWQA Program is a critical time for water-quality monitoring, and it is important to continue to support the program.

Call to Action

The NAWQA Program is a national treasure. The data collected by the program are essential for water-quality management, and for protecting the nation's water resources. I urge you to support the NAWQA Program, and to help ensure that it continues to provide valuable data for years to come.

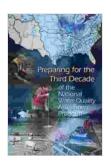
There are a number of ways that you can support the NAWQA Program:

* Contact your elected officials and let them know that you support the NAWQA Program. * Volunteer your time to help with NAWQA Program activities. * Donate money to the NAWQA Program.

Your support will help ensure that the NAWQA Program continues to provide valuable data for years to come.

The National Water Quality Assessment Program is a vital program that provides scientific data on the quality of the nation's water resources. The program has made a significant contribution to our understanding of the quality of the nation's water resources, and has helped to protect the nation's water resources. The third decade of the NAWQA Program is a critical time for water-quality monitoring, and it is important to continue to support the program.

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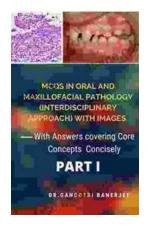


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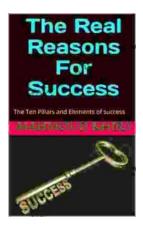
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