

Present Environmental Trends in the Eastern Part of the Azov Sea

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Abstract

The Present state and trends of the Azov Sea ecosystem are characterized. Natural fluctuations and the present state of the marine environment, the plankton and the fish fauna, the content of the artificial radionuclides in the bottom sediments are considered. The breach of the ecological equilibrium is connected with the changes of the freshwater input, the contamination, the excessive catch and the installation of the new species.