

Review of: "The Political Ecologies of the Tonle Sap: Global, Regional and National Framework for Conservation and Development"

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This essay examines conservation concerns pertaining to Cambodia's Tonle Sap Lake and the Mekong River. It gives background information, which I found quite fascinating because I knew little of this system before now. There are a few issues with readability that might be quickly fixed to create an extremely useful article. I've listed some of these in bullet points below:

- The introduction is rather brief and fails to sufficiently acquaint the reader with the content that will be discussed in the paper. Due to the lengthy nature of the paper, the Introduction could use a "road map" that specifies the expected content and the sequence in which it will be presented.
- This is obviously a review paper. Perhaps it should be reorganized as such instead of as a traditional methods-results-discussion paper.
- Although the English is generally proficient, there are sporadic errors that render certain sentences unintelligible. Some editorial assistance would rectify this.
- It's hard to keep up with the abundance of acronyms used, some of which are defined once and some of which are defined more than once. This is an example of a particularly difficult sentence "At the national level, FiA has established the FCAs and CFis, while MoE has organized the CPAs and MOWRAM has zoned TSL into three different zones"
- Many geographic names are given but not on a map, making it difficult for anyone who are unfamiliar with the area to find their way around.
- Likewise, various species are named but no scientific names are provided, lending to confusion in interpretation
- I thought the Conclusion section was very effective