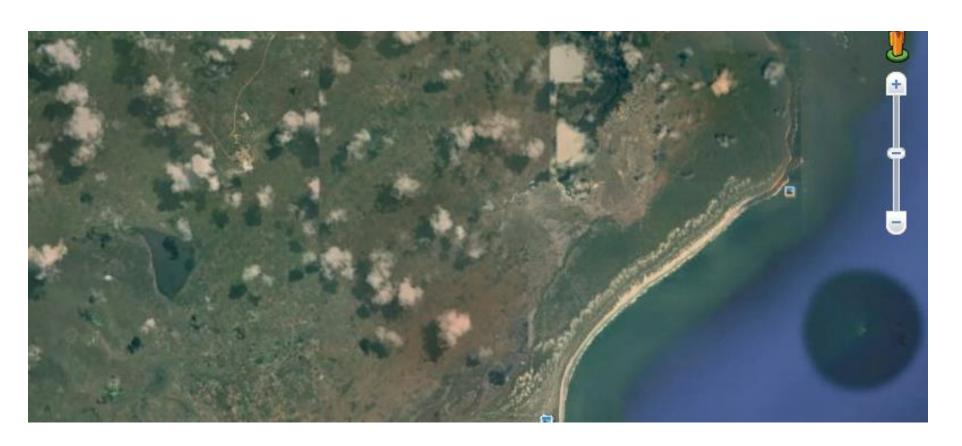
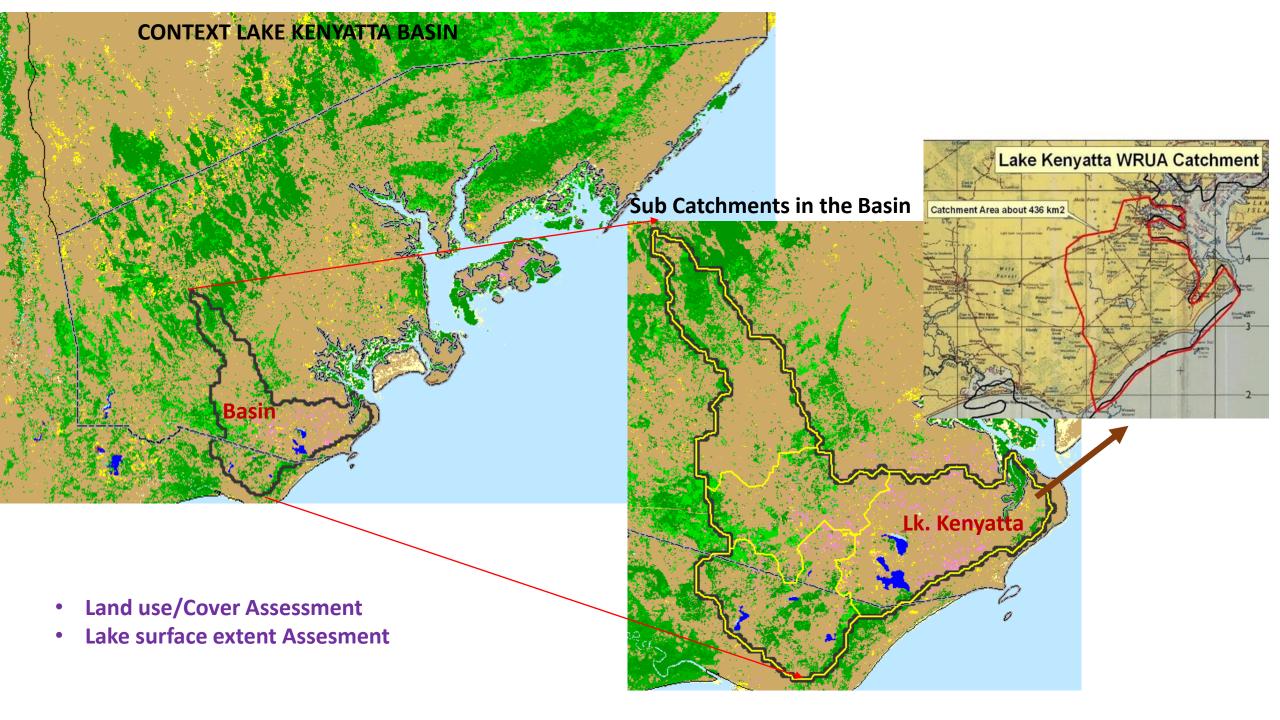
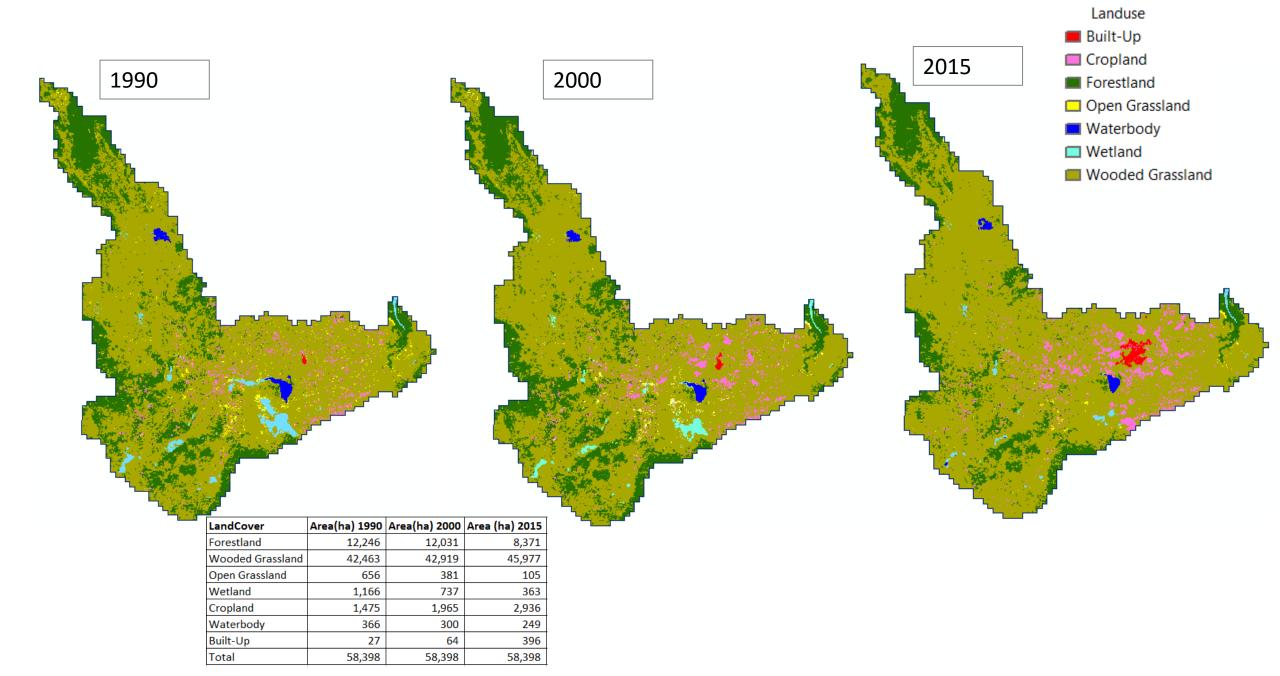
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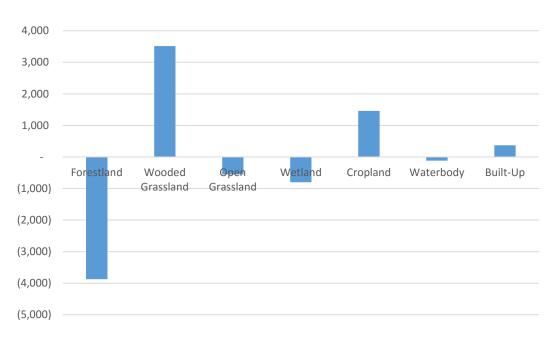


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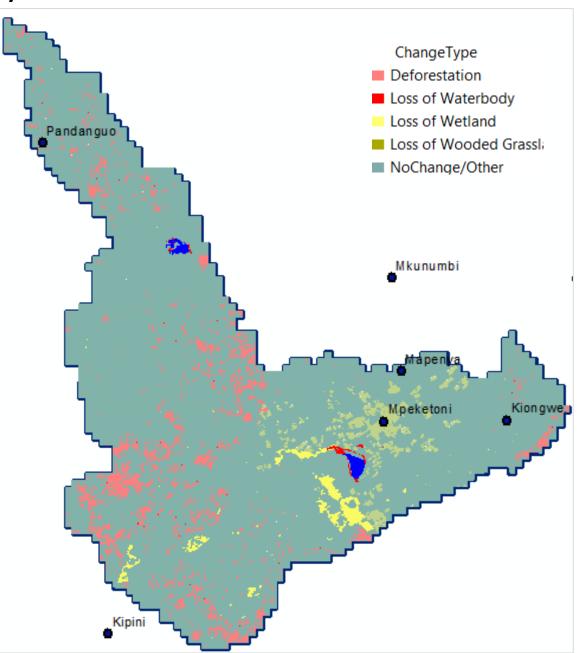


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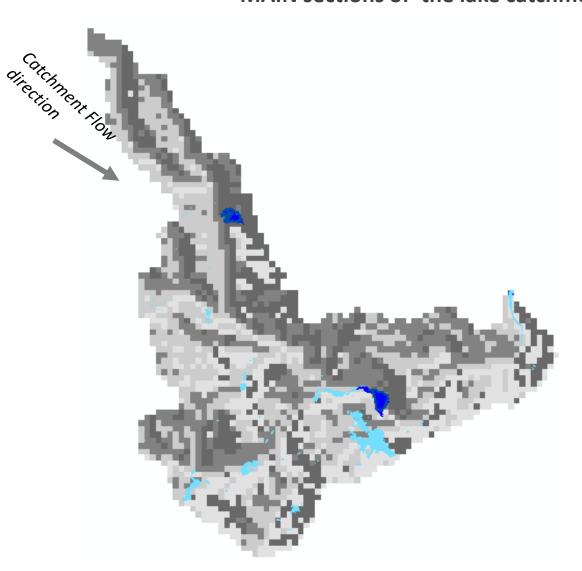


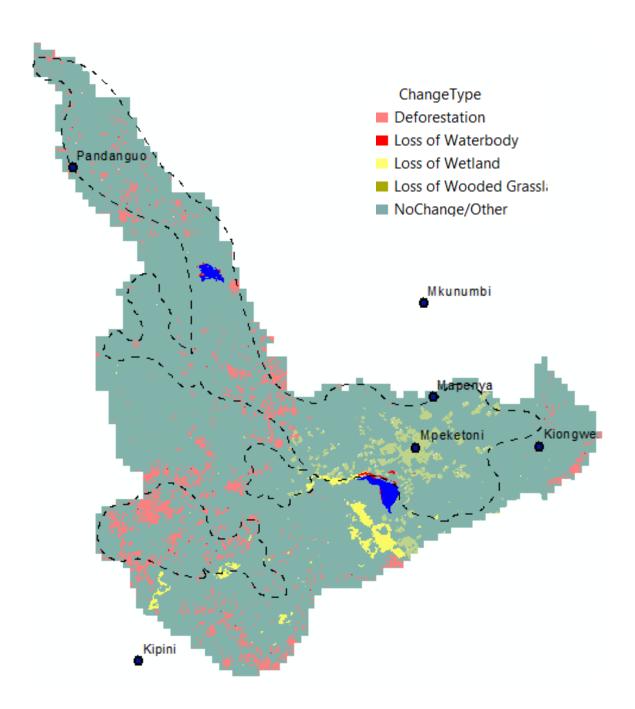


LandCover	Area(ha) 1990	Area(ha) 2000	Area (ha) 2015	change 2015/1990	2015/1990 %loss/gain
Forestland	12,246	12,031	8,371	(3,875)	(32)
Wooded Grassland	42,463	42,919	45,977	3,514	8
Open Grassland	656	381	105	(550)	(84)
Wetland	1,166	737	363	(803)	(68)
Cropland	1,475	1,965	2,936	1,462	99
Waterbody	366	300	249	(117)	(32)
Built-Up	27	64	396	369	93
Total	58,398	58,398	58,398		



Manifestation of massive deforestation and woodland loses is active along the MAIN sections of the lake catchment





Water Levels - Occurrence/transitions (Catchment Level)

Volume total 2016:

5.89 million Cubic meters (5,890,000m³)

Average Depth (ratio between total lake volume ('Vol_total') and lake area ('Lake_area')):

3.5meters

Average Discharge (Average long-term discharge flowing through the lake, in cubic meters per

2.234 cubic meters /second

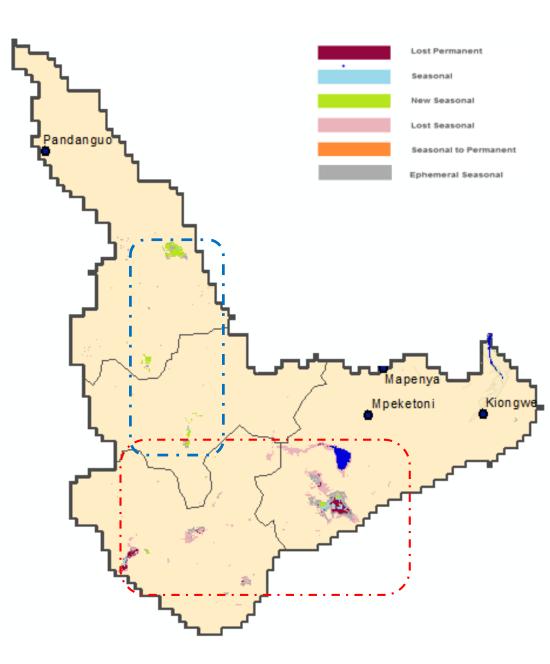
Average Residence Time (the ratio between total lake volume ('Vol_total') and average long-te discharge ('Dis_avg'))

30.5 days

Watershed area: 436.7km² (Area of the watershed associated with the lake, in square kilometer

Changes in Lake Kenyatta Extent:

1990: 2.3 sq.km2000: 1.8 sq.km2015: 1.3 sq.km



Water transitions (1984 - 2015)

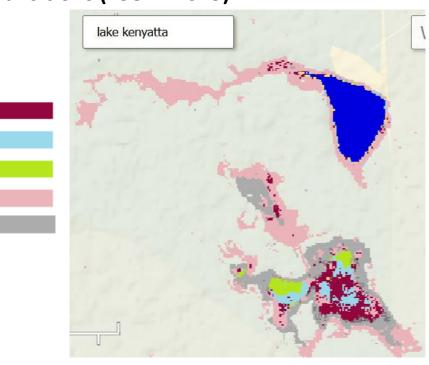
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Seasonal

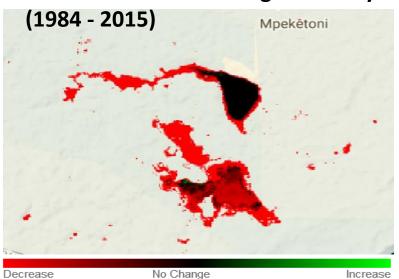
New Seasonal

Lost Seasonal

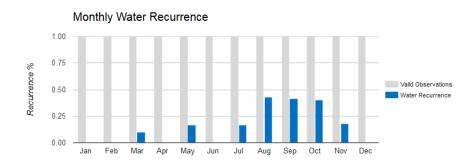
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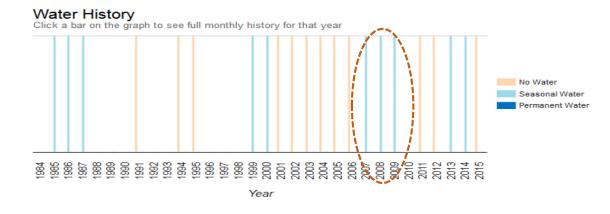


Water Occurrence Change Intensity



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At this rate, if no appropriate measures are taken, the lake extent may subsequently shrink/disappear in 12 - 15 years time.

Water - Recurrence

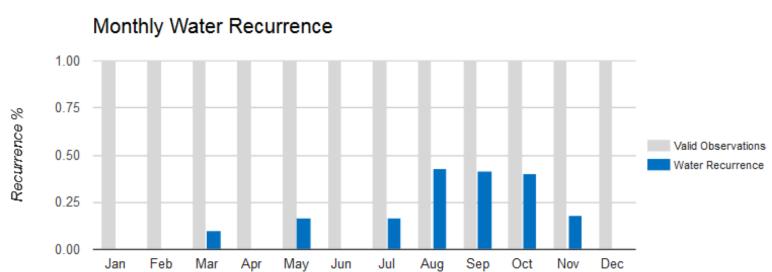
Water Occurrence Mpeketoni https://global-surface-water.appspot.com/: European Commission (JRC)

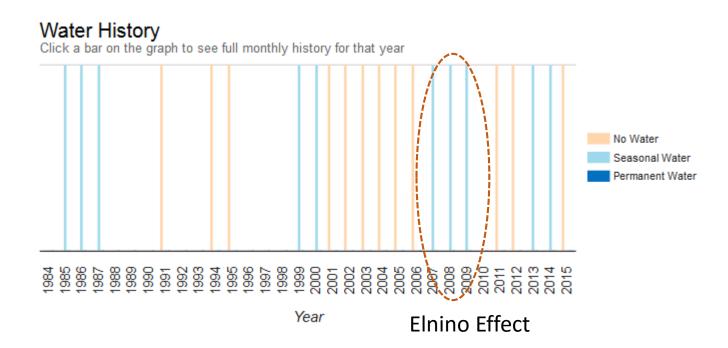
In 22 years observed: 55% Dry , 45% Seasonal - Acute dryness since 2001 with spells of seasonality influenced by the 2007 El- Nino

Water Occurrence (1984-2015) (i) >0% 100%
Sometimes Water Always Water

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Av. Observations: 400





Key Findings

- Deforestation and Loss of Woodland (rife at the core catchment zones)
- Urbanization creating pressure on water demand
- Loss of grasslands might be an indicator to overgrazing in the catchment and has a direct influence on wetland degradation
- Growing food demand (expansion of cropping into riparian lands (wetlands/lake)
 has massive implications on catchment degradation in the region

Recommendations

- Restoration of forests targeting catchment management (zonation approaches appropriate)
- Map out water abstraction points within the catchment to inform water balance targeting quality/ quantity/demand to be carried out in the catchment. This should be backed by proper hydrologic assessment of the lake /catchment with key stakeholders like WARMA involved.
- Sustainable agricultural practice (best practice) e.g. pasture zonation, sustainable cropping techniques to be advocated for.