

FIRST WORKSHOP SUMMARY



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INITIAL WORKSHOP NEWSLETTER

Assessing the health of Guanabara Bay and its river basins

The region around Guanabara Bay is an internationally iconic location, including metropolitan areas like Rio de Janeiro, Niteroi and São Gonçalo, beaches like Copacabana and Ipanema, and sights like Sugarloaf and Corcovado. This place of incredible natural beauty has pressing environmental problems, largely due to activities of the 8.6 million people that live in the Guanabara Bay basin. We have embarked on a program to develop scientifically rigorous, transparent assessments of the health and restoration progress of Guanabara Bay and its river basins, with the ultimate goal of producing a report card for Guanabara Bay and its river basins in 2016. This newsletter summarizes the discussions with environmental and social scientists, engineers, and government officials who developed a first draft of the indicators and reporting regions for the assessment of Guanabara Bay and its river basins.



- Globally iconic location
- Pressing environmental problems
- Need for scientifically rigorous, transparent assessments to track restoration progress

GUANABARA BAY REPORTING REGIONS



FIGURE 3 | Map of Guanabara Bay showing different parameters that indicate water quality throughout the sampling points (A-D) cited in the text.

Environmental and Sanitary Conditions of Guanabara Bay, Rio de Janeiro

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GUANABARA BAY WATER QUALITY INDICATORS



Dissolved oxygen



Phosphorus



Nitrate



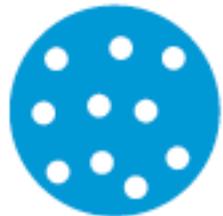
Ammonium



Coliforms



OTHER POTENTIAL INDICATORS



Chlorophyll



Mangroves



Phytoplankton



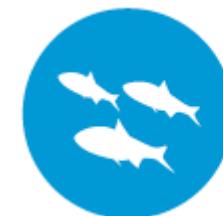
Water transparency



Marine mammals



Contamination of crabs

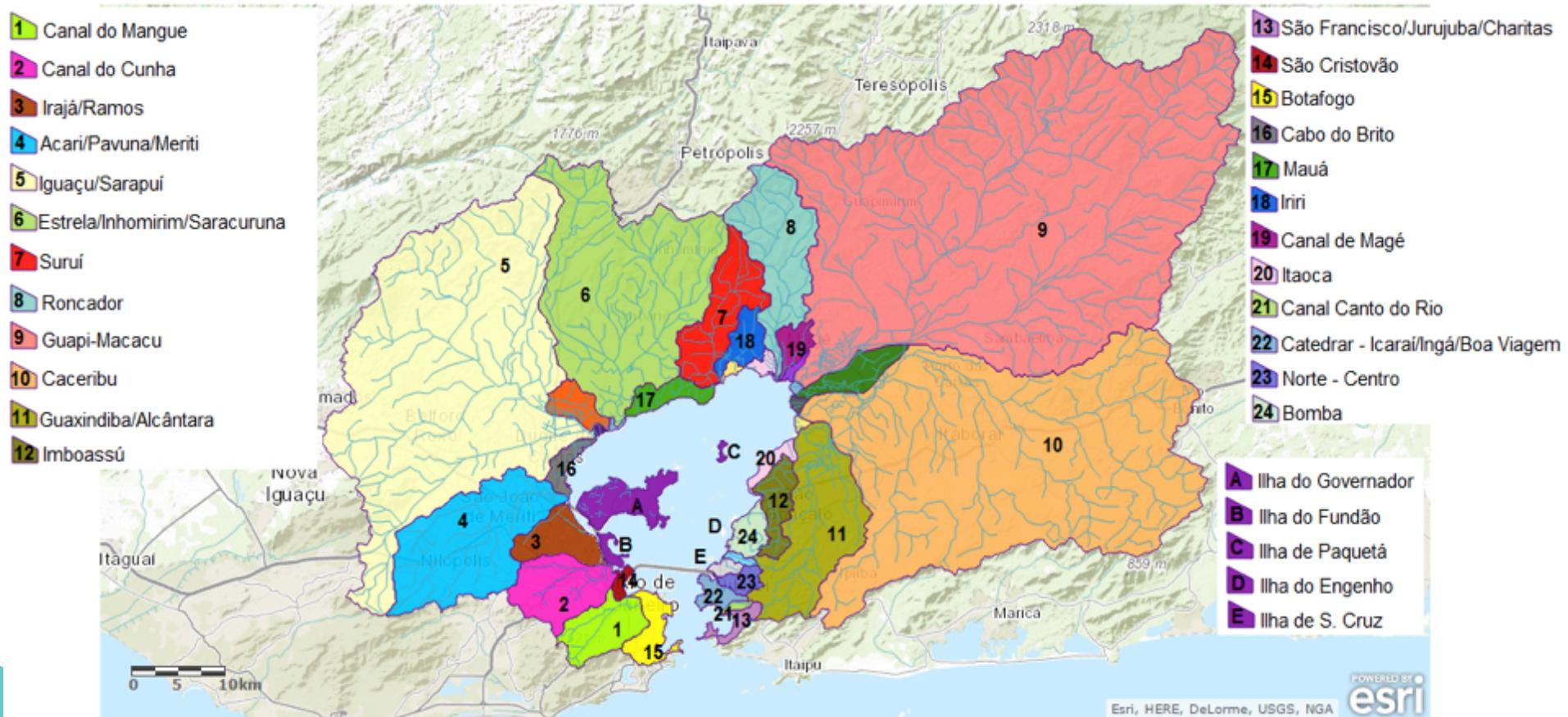


Fish assemblage

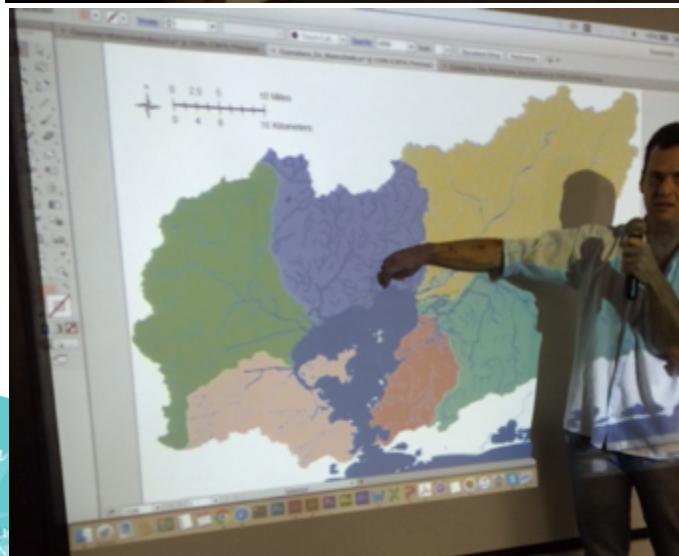
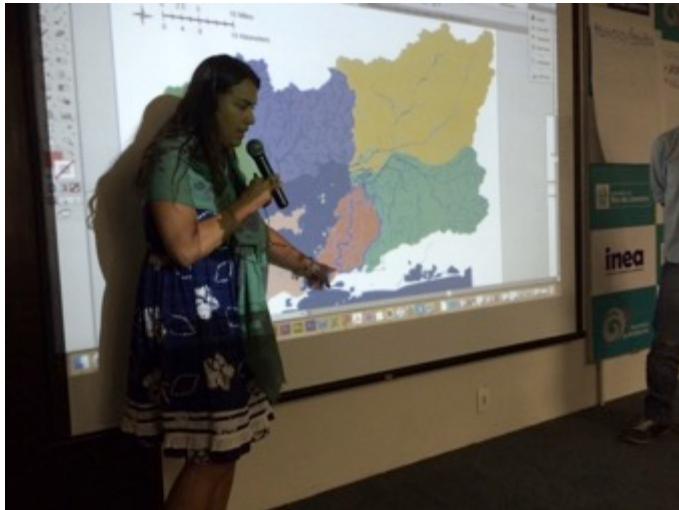


Sea horses

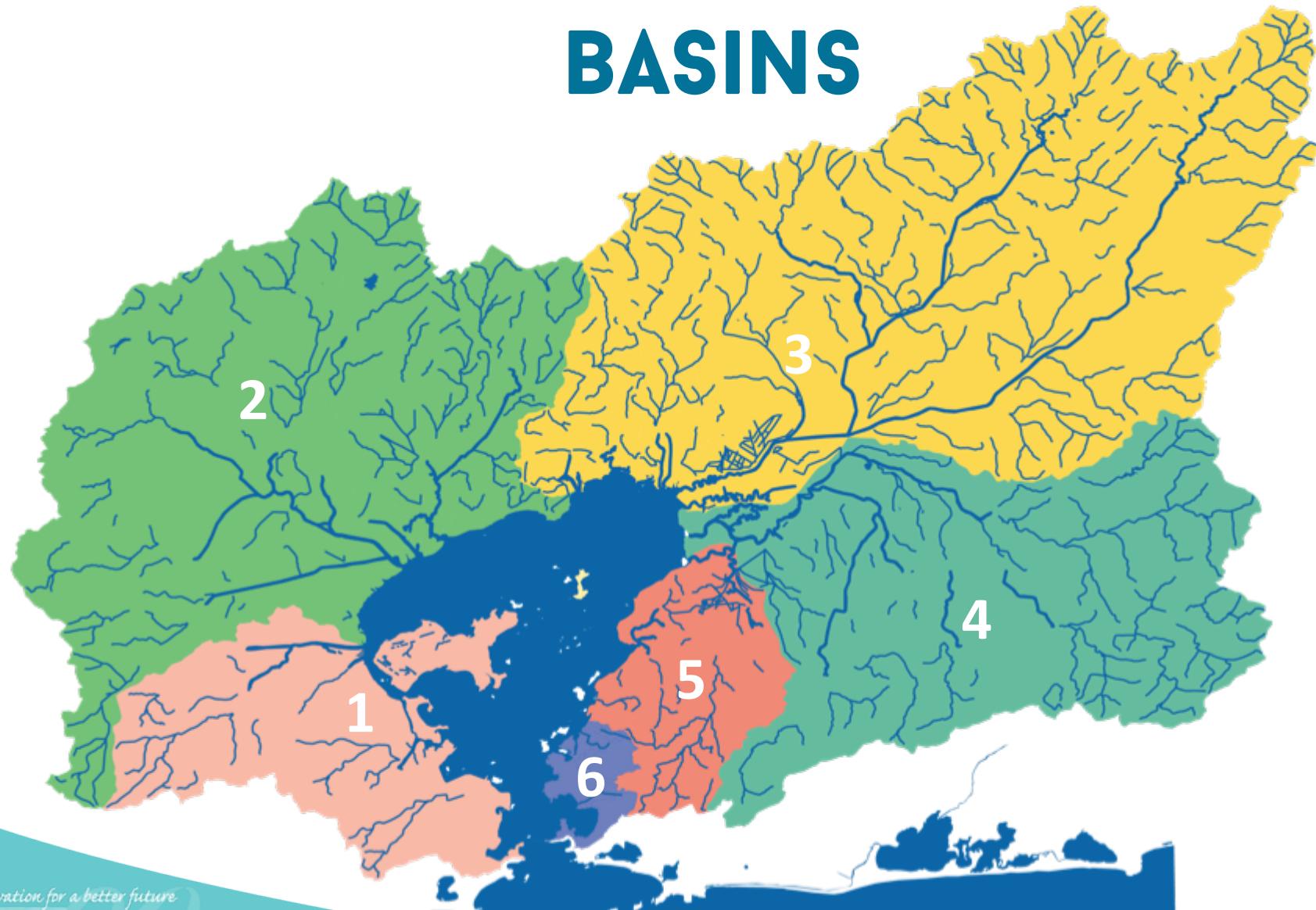
GUANABARA BAY RIVER BASINS



BASIN BOUNDARY DISCUSSION



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RIVER BASIN WATER QUALITY INDICATORS

DO

Dissolved oxygen

BOD

Biological oxygen demand

P

Total phosphorus

NO₃

Nitrate

pH

pH

Turbidity

Turbidity

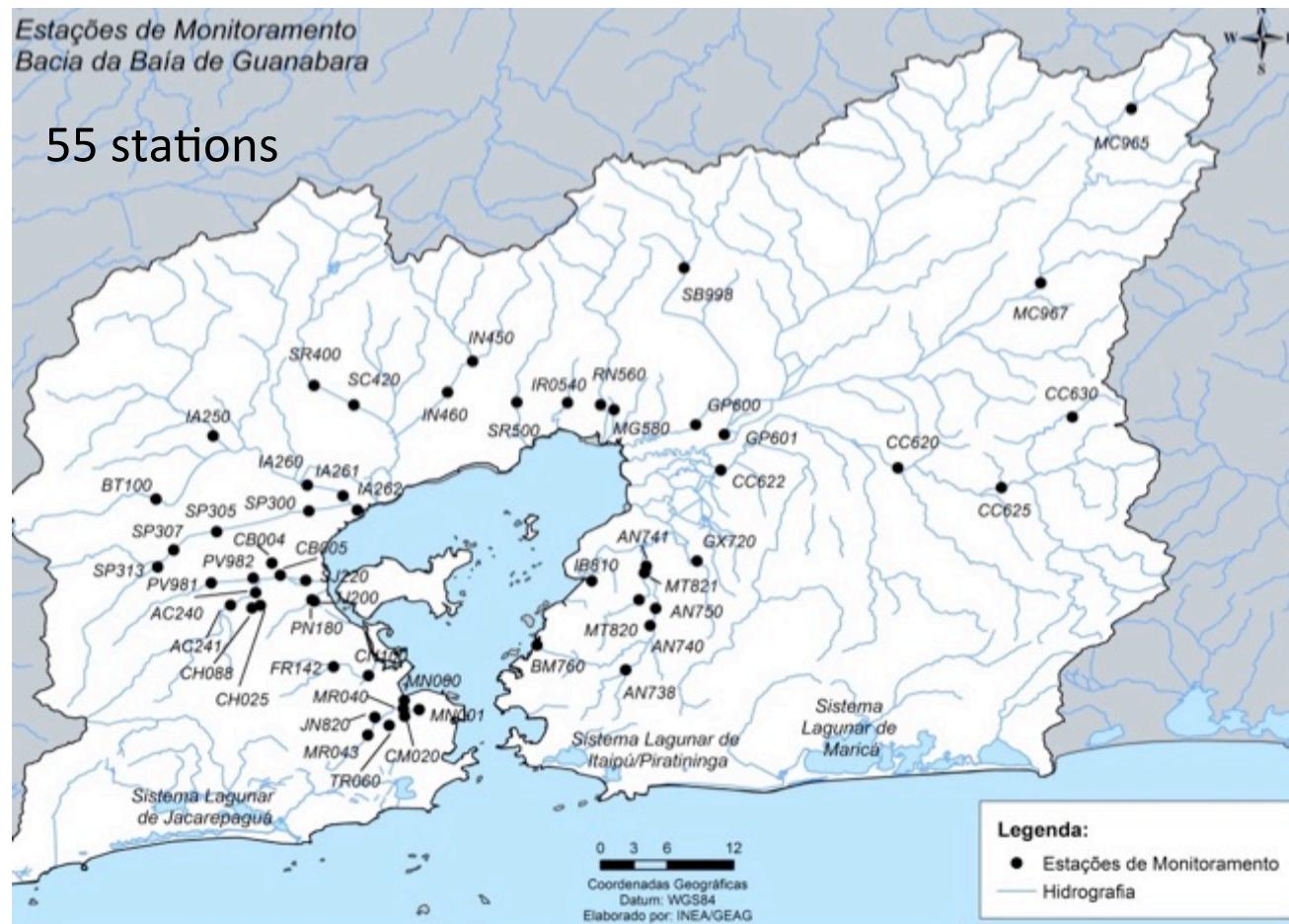
TDS

Total dissolved solids

Air/water temperature

Air/water temperature

Coliforms



WATER QUALITY INDEX (NSF)

Parameter	Weight
DO	0.17
BOD	0.11
Thermotolerant coliforms	0.16
pH	0.11
Temperature	0.10
Total phosphorus	0.10
Nitrates	0.10
Turbidity	0.08
TDS	0.07

National Science Foundation Water Quality Index (WQI _{NSF})	
WQI value	Rating of Water Quality
91-100	Excellent
71-90	Good
51-70	Average
26-50	Bad
0-25	Very Bad

WATER QUALITY INDEX: AQA FAL



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Comparing the responses of two water quality indices using simulated and real data

Comparação das respostas de dois índices de qualidade de água usando dados simulados e reais

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SEVEN VARIABLES USING FUZZY LOGIC MODEL

Table 2 - Water quality variables used for IQA_{FAL}

Type	Name
Biologic	Shannon-Weaver Diversity Index (SHANNON, 1948)
	Density of Cyanobacteria
Nutrients	Total Phosphorus
	Ammoniacal Nitrogen
Oxygen	Dissolved Oxygen
	Biochemical Oxygen Demand
Bacteriological	Fecal Coliform (Thermo-tolerant)

CALCULATION METHODOLOGY

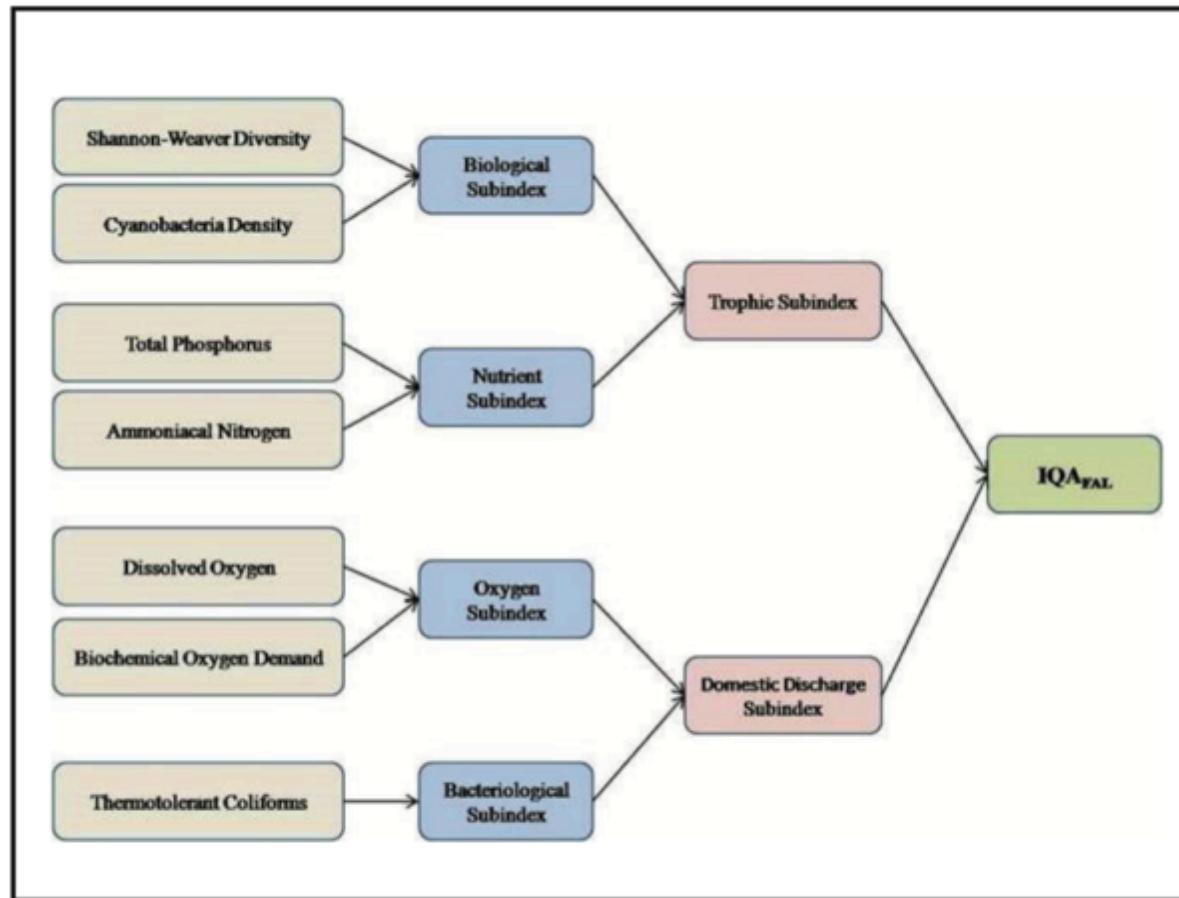


Figure 3. The IQAFAL - System Flow showing the input variables and the sub-index

CONCEPTUAL MAPPING EXERCISE



GUANABARA BAY VALUES & THREATS



PARTNERSHIP APPROACH

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