

China's Water Watchdogs

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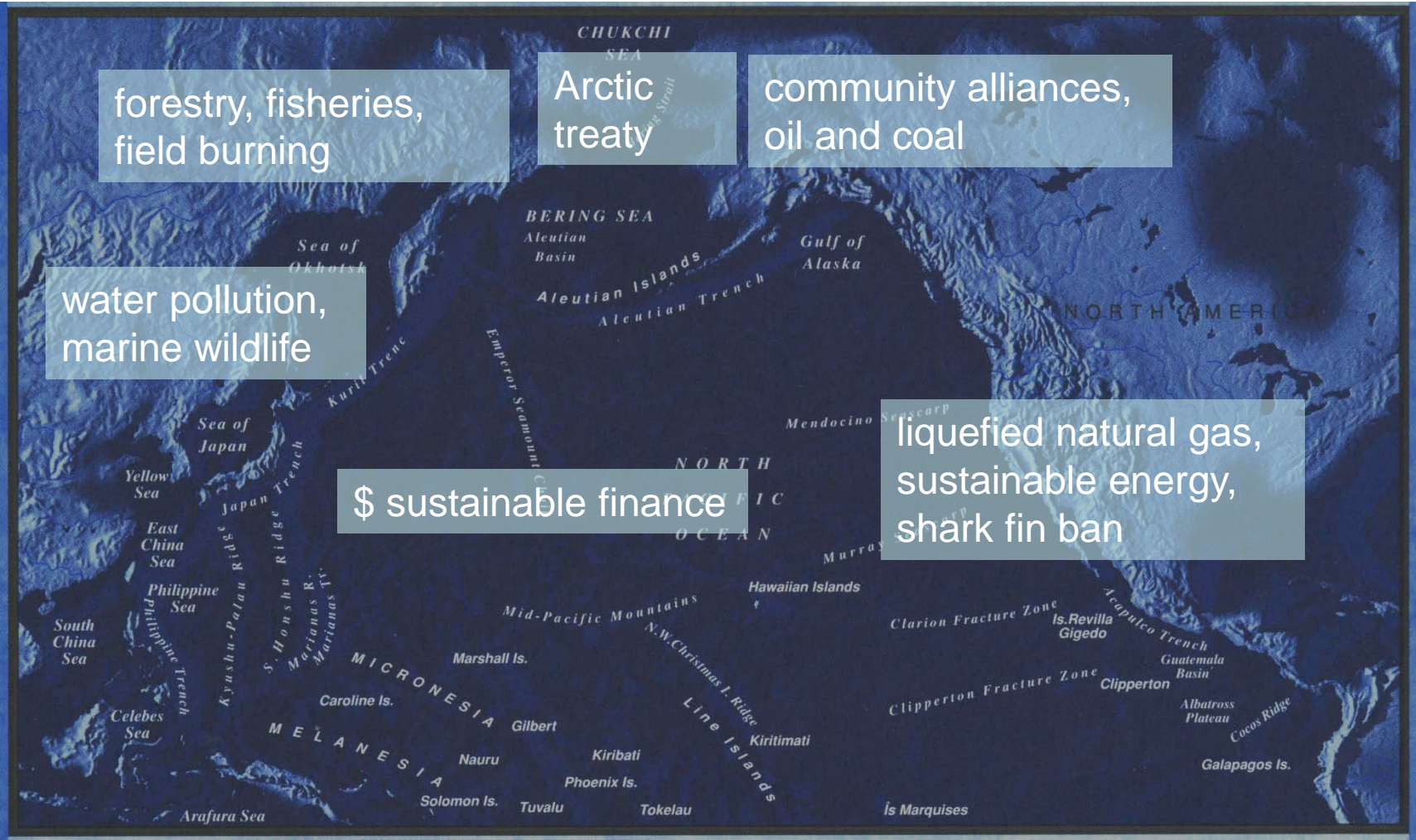
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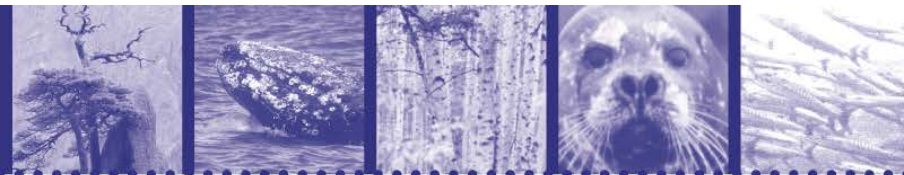
Pacific Environment's Work in China

Vision: grassroots groups in China are leading, visible, and engaged.

Focus: water pollution, marine conservation

Tactic: grassroots capacity building and joint advocacy

- Subgrants to 8 groups
- Mentoring on the ground
- Strategic guidance, targeted training
- Annual Water Pollution Meeting in China



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How does the grassroots work on water pollution in China?

- Extra-judicial activity
- Rights based resistance
- Both necessary?



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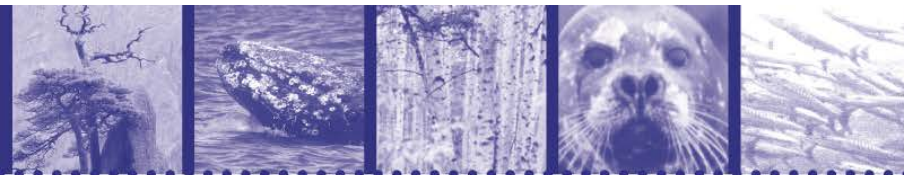
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Challenges to Rights-based Water Resource Advocacy

- Pollution problems intense
- Polluters are powerful
- Governance structures complicated, competing
- Role of NGOs not well accepted/ understood



How does grassroots work on water pollution in China?

The basics: *education*

- Water walks
- College student training
- Volunteer programs
- Educational materials
- Elementary schools



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Water Walks in Lanzhou

- diverse participants
- Weekly excursions
- Education + action
(clean ups, water testing)



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Next steps: *producing data, gathering support*

- Inspiring public participation
- Corporate and government disclosure of information
- On-the ground monitoring
- Publication of data



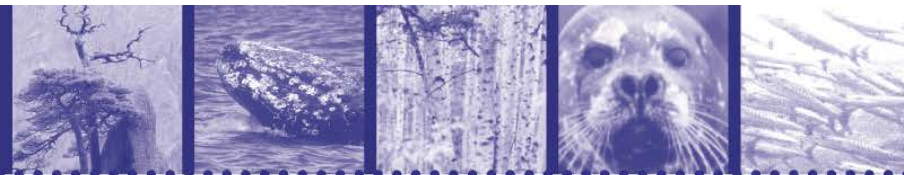
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Jiangsu Polluting Enterprise Database by Green Stone

- Information disclosure requests
- University students volunteers
- 60 enterprises/
interactive online
map
- Connected with
National Map



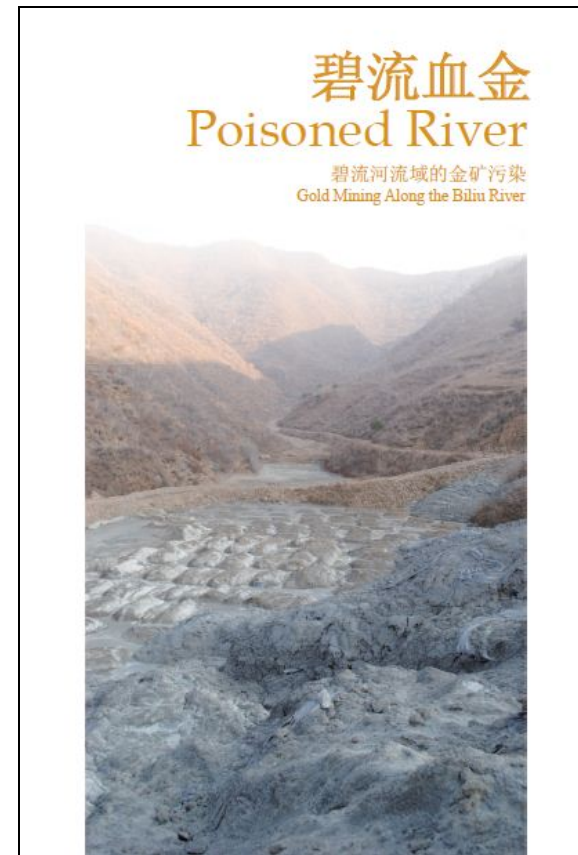
Green Hunan Water Monitoring Network

- Volunteer network with 8 monitoring sites



Reporting on Mining in Liaoning Province

- Illegal gold mines
- College student teams



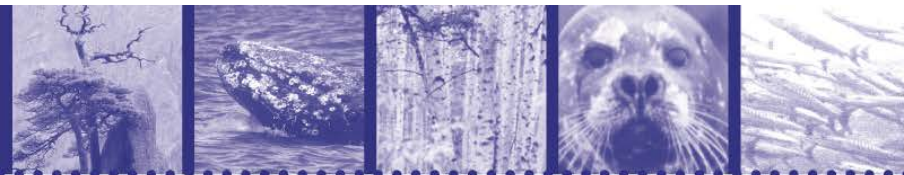
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Next step: *creating change*

- Corporate campaigns
- Government campaigns
- Policy making
- Media campaigns



Investigating Paper Plants in Anhui



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Third-Party Auditing by “Green Choice Alliance”

- Self-referral program by companies on National Water Pollution Map (IPE)
- Grassroots NGOs go as observers
- 100s of polluters clean up



Tsingdao Brewery in Wuhu, Anhui



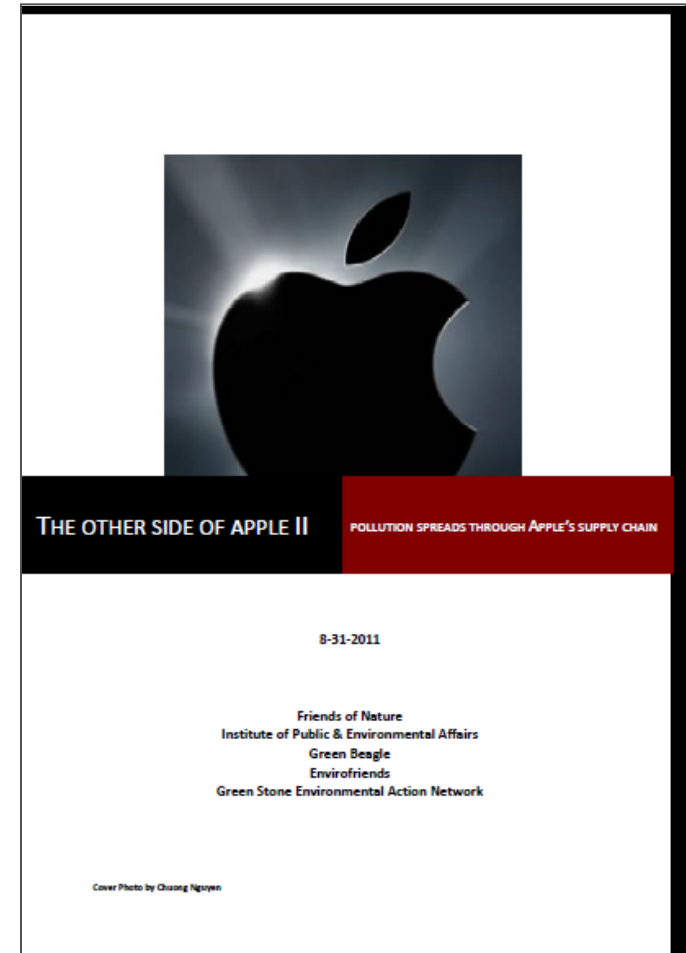
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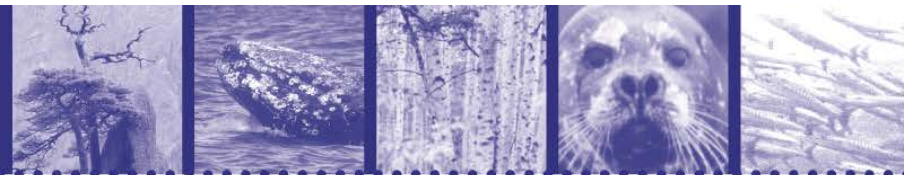
Apple Campaign (Green Stone, others)

- Two investigative reports
- Nanjing-based Green Stone conducted investigation of nearby supplier
- Apple met with groups in 2011
- Apple now conducting audits



Blue Dalian Government Campaign – Spotted Seal

- Breeding habitat threatened by coastal highway in Liaoning Province
- Blue Dalian printed 10,000 postcards
- Meetings with local government
- Public media events
- Highway re-routed



Green Anhui Legislative Work

- 关于改善安徽省生活垃圾管理的提案 2011年 (accepted) **Proposal on the management on household garbage in Anhui province**
- 合肥市“绿色出行”两会提案 2011年 (accepted) **Proposal on Green Transportation in Hefei City**
- 关于“公众参与节能减排信息”的提案 2011年 (rejected) **Proposal on public participation in energy conservation and emission reduction**
- 安徽省有关垃圾焚烧炉建设的提案 2011年 (rejected) **Suggestions on garbage incinerators in Anhui Province**



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Trends: Water Pollution

- Non-point Source Pollution
- Water-energy links
- Preventive management
- Watershed-level management?



Tao River, Lanzhou

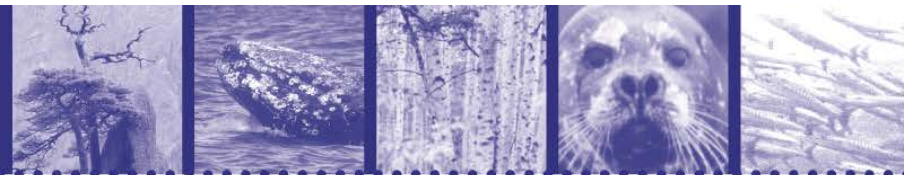


Trends: NGO Capacity

- Domestic funding increasing
- Registration for NGOs – opening up?
- “Learning networks”

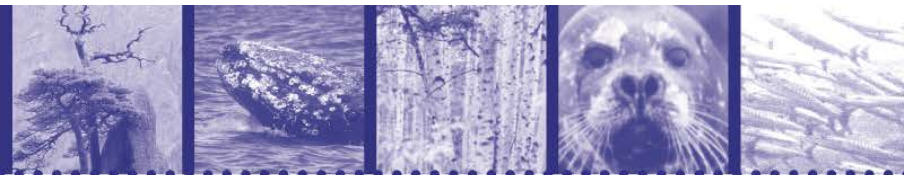


PE's 2011 Water Pollution Meeting in Changsha



For more information:

- Institute for Public and Environmental Affairs/ Green Choice Alliance
www.ipe.org.cn
- Green Stone www.green-stone.org
- Green Hunan www.greenhunan.org.cn
- Green Anhui www.green-anhui.org
- Blue Dalian www.bluedalian.org
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