

CHAPTER 2	Investigation 2.A: Societal Uses of Water Answer Key	BLM 2.1.7A
ANSWER KEY		

Opinions and Recommendations

1. Use facts and logical arguments to support your response.
2. Your answer may include using water resources more carefully; recycling water used for washing, cooking, and bathing for irrigation or industry; applying water use restrictions; and carrying out a water use education campaign.
3. Support your point of view with well-reasoned arguments.
4. **a)** You should summarize your main points if answers are being collected.
- b)** You could include the following questions:
 - Would the diversion allow for the growth of economically important crops?
 - Would the diversion allow for the growth of important food crops?
 - Would the diversion bring water to a heavily populated area or increase the population after diversion?
 - Could the ecosystem replenish the water removed to some degree over time?
 - Would the ecosystems be negatively affected?
 - Are there any threatened or endangered species in the ecosystem?
 - Could the diversion introduce species, such as parasites, from the water source into ecosystems in the new region?