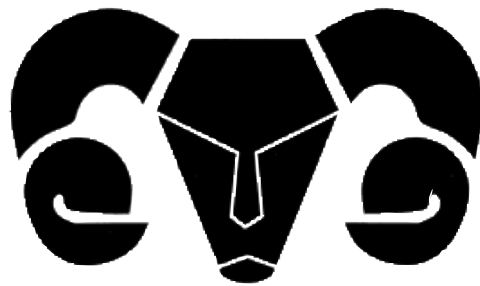


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The rich bird life of the alkaline Rift Valley lakes of East Africa is an important component of the region's biodiversity that attract thousands of tourists. These lakes are closed hydrological systems into which waterflows are critical to their maintenance and survival. In such systems, the nature of the quality and quantity of water inputs is an extremely critical component of their survival as an ecosystem. Our SUMAWA project addresses the contribution of the Njoro River to Lake Nakuru, one of the region's most visited lake-based national parks. The ability to understand and influence the impacts of land use, development, and population demands are vital to the future of these Rift Valley lakes and their biodiversity and are the objectives of the SUMAWA project.

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