

Lower Nerang River

Looking from numerous locations on the Lower Nerang River



- 1** Catchment land-use of lower Nerang River dominantly urban
- 2** Creation of convoluted canal networks
- 3** Mangrove and saltmarsh in lower reaches replaced with hardened surfaces
- 4** Tidal flushing of storm-water entering canals is poor
- 5** Water frequently has a greenish hue although some seagrass remains

Nerang Catchment

The riverbanks of the Nerang River have been straightened and hardened into concrete, and stone walls and jetties have been constructed. Almost no natural vegetation remains and the riparian areas are now the gardens of the canal homes. The Nerang river is in moderate health.

- The middle to upper reaches of the catchment have been cleared, though riparian vegetation remains relatively intact.
- Extensive loss of riparian vegetation and surrounding habitat in the lower estuarine region.
- Water is often poor in canals due to low levels of flushing with oceanic water.
- Water is often turbid following rainfall.
- The water frequently has a greenish tinge downstream.