



LIFE IN A

Wetland





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The Wetland Biome

Brazos Bend
State Park,
Texas



Wetlands are a soggy **biome**.
These lands hold water or soak it
up like a sponge!

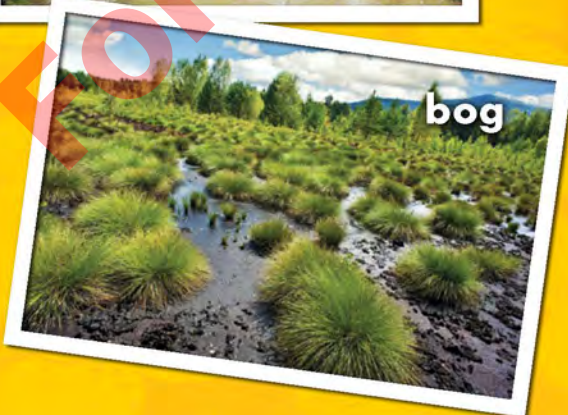


Earth needs these places to stay healthy. Wetlands keep water clean and stop floods. They also provide homes and food for many living things.



great egret

Three main types of wetlands are found around the world. They are **marshes**, **swamps**, and **bogs**.



Most wetlands lie at the edges of lakes, rivers, or oceans. Wetlands near seas are filled with salt water. Those by rivers or lakes hold **freshwater**.



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The Climate

Amazon basin,
Brazil



A wetland's distance from the **equator** determines its **climate**. Those in the **tropics** stay warm all year.



Wetlands far north are cold most of the time. **Temperate** wetlands often have warm summers and cool winters.

Placer River Valley,
Alaska

