



LITTLE PRESPA LAKE : GEOGRAPHY

NEWS : Little Prespa Lake on Albanian-Greek border slowly dying

WHAT'S IN THE NEWS ?

Rising temperatures and increasingly mild winters with little snowfall and a scarcity of precipitation have battered the lake

- **Location:** On the border of Albania and Greece, with most of it in Greece.
- **Transformation:** The lake has mostly turned into a marsh, with only 20 hectares of water left.
- **Cause of Deterioration:** Began in the 1970s when the Devoll River was diverted for irrigation.
- **Impact of Climate Change:** Rising temperatures and reduced rainfall have worsened the situation.
- **Effect on Communities:** Fishing has declined, and locals have shifted to livestock farming.
- **Abandoned Boats:** Symbolize the lake's decline, now found on dry land.
- **Future Concern:** Experts warn that continued dry winters and hot summers could completely dry out the lake.

