REVIEW

Unit 5 – Fresh and Saltwater Systems

1.0	Humans depend on Water Supply and Quality
*	Water resources: oceans, glaciers, groundwater, lakes and rivers
*	Contents of water: minerals, organisms, organic material
*	Water quality testing ensure it is safe to drink
2.0	Water affects Landforms and Climate on the Earth
*	Waves and Tides interact with landforms causing erosion and sedimentation
*	Stream and River characteristics helps us understand erosion and deposition shape the Earth's surface
*	Plate tectonics (ocean basins and continental drainage system in North America) and glaciers (further erosion of the drainage system)
*	Water interacts with Earth to produce variations in climate

3.0	Aquatic Organisms are affected by many factors
*	Organisms are affected by the quality of their aquatic environment
*	Water conditions: light, temperature and depth of the water
*	Oceans can support a much greater diversity of living organisms
*	A population - the number of a certain species living in a certain area
*	Each aquatic organism has adapted to a particular quality of water
4.0	Human Activities Affect Aquatic Environments
*	Water is used by humans for work, play and for survival
*	Greatest use of water – irrigation for agriculture (next is industry)
*	Monitoring helps us to determine what impact humans have on the aquatic environments they interact with

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