

# An Overview of Wetland and China's Wetlands of International Importance

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## **Abstract:**

China's understanding and record of wetlands dated back to thousands of years in history. Wetland exists where there is water, like marsh, lakeside and etc., spreading widely in our life. Wetlands are dynamic because of water. They not only contain water resources, but also make up land resources. They have a wide variety of organisms and outstanding ecological functions. They are indispensable ecological background of nature-economy-society complex ecosystem. In recent years, the protection of wetlands has gradually become the main theme. The 14th Conference of the Parties (COP 14) of the Ramsar Convention was held in Wuhan in November 2022. The "Wetlands of International Importance" was established as a global network mechanism for wetland protection, requiring the host countries of the listed wetlands to do their best to protect the wetlands. This paper elaborates from wetland to wetland conservation, and encloses a list of China's Wetlands of International Importance at the end of the report. We hope that China's wetlands of international importance can be protected better and make better contributions to international wetland conservation.

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