Many people recycle because it makes them feel that they are doing something good for the environment. But the focus on recycling takes the emphasis away from strategies like reducing or reusing.

Integrated Pest Management (IPM) is a pest management strategy that uses a variety of eco-friendly methods to prevent or control pest problems. But some of the methods can be as much of a problem as the pests themselves.

Some groups consider widening highways to reduce traffic congestion, which decreases the amount of idling time for vehicles. In some cases, however, highway expansion increases the problems that already existed, and other unexpected problems also arise.

Controlling the water flow in natural systems helps us as humans fulfill our water related needs, as well as produce energy. However this action has a domino effect on the environmental integrity of the water system.