ABSTRACT

POLICY BRIEF ON COMBATING POLLUTION IN THE JENEBERANG RIVER

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River pollution is a significant environmental issue, particularly in developing countries like Indonesia. As a source of life, rivers play an important role in the lives of people and aquatic ecosystems. Pollution causes water quality to decline, which has a detrimental impact on ecosystem health, including habitat damage. River pollution is an important problem that must be considered by various parties. The Jeneberang River is one of the important natural resources in South Sulawesi Province, which has an important role in meeting water needs for the community, both for household, agricultural, mining, and industrial purposes. However, in recent years, the condition of this river has experienced a decline in quality due to pollution from household waste, small industries, as well as mining activities and littering. This research aims to find out how the government's policy in dealing with river pollution problems and the extent of the role of the Environment Agency in its implementation.

The method used in this study is a qualitative approach with data collection techniques through interviews, observations, and documentation.

The results of the study show that even though pollution control policies have been made, their implementation in the field still faces various obstacles, such as a lack of coordination between agencies, limited resources, and low public awareness of the importance of protecting the environment. Therefore, stronger cooperation between the government and the community is needed in maintaining the preservation of the Jeneberang river so that it remains clean and beneficial for current and future generations.

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