

In the text, the authors introduce drivers of systems and how both direct and indirect drivers can affect said systems. These drivers span across many different levels and are also defined based on where the problem is, and any pre-existing conditions in that area. In many cases, there are clear and achievable solutions to these drivers. The reasons these drivers need to be eliminated are because they are negatively affecting both human and animal ways of life. However, many of the people who are put in charge of fixing these issues believe that they aren't "urgent" or aren't "worth their time". This correlates to the wicked problem we are trying to solve pertaining to water equity.

In my opinion, the reason so many of these problems go unsolved or even ignored by people in power is because many of them have a screwed sense of hierarchy. They believe that because they were put into a position of power, that all they need to do is worry about the things that may threaten that position. When a problem comes up that is "below" them, they don't have to worry about it. In reality, however, these problems that are seen as lesser, are usually the starting forces of many bigger problems. If these issues were nipped in the bud when they first came up, many of them, many of the drivers wouldn't have as much of an affect on human and animal systems, if one at all.

In conclusion, direct and indirect drivers of issues in human and animal systems can be solved. However, before anything on the road to solving them can be accomplished, people in power need to change and correct their sense of hierarchy and their belief that they are "above" other people's problems.