Storms caused river to take a 'breath'

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Last summer, tropical storms Irene and Lee inflicted major damage on the Hudson River’s watershed. While the events may seem like a distant memory now, affected ecosystems are still recovering.

Not surprisingly, the storms caused large changes in the Hudson River. For example, roughly a year’s worth of water and sediment transport occurred within the span of a few short weeks. There were also less visible consequences that have taught us something new about the river’s ecology.