

Catastrophe in the making : the engineering of Katrina and the disasters of tomorrow / William R. Freudenburg ...[et al.]

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Abstrak

The first book to recognize hurricane Katrina not as a “perfect storm,” but a tragedy of our own making, and one that could become commonplace.

The authors, one a longtime New Orleans resident, argue that breached levees and sloppy emergency response are just the most obvious examples of government failure. The true problem is more deeply rooted and insidious, and stretches far beyond the Gulf Coast.

The authors reveal why, despite their geographic differences, California and Missouri are building, quite literally, toward similar destruction.