



## Environment

### *The awarding of World Heritage status*

Narrator

As a world heritage site, Lake Baikal is covered by its own special piece of Russian legislation. Policing of the law is not simple, so implementation is fairly weak. But so far as least it seems to be cushioning the lake from inappropriate development.

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At this point in time one shouldn't really talk in terms of an excessive industrial effect on Lake Baikal because there is practically no industry on Lake Baikal. Therefore we can only talk about local infringements of the environment, which also, of course, deserve attention.