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The Lerma Chapala Basin Council Case in the Water Distribution Agreement of 2004

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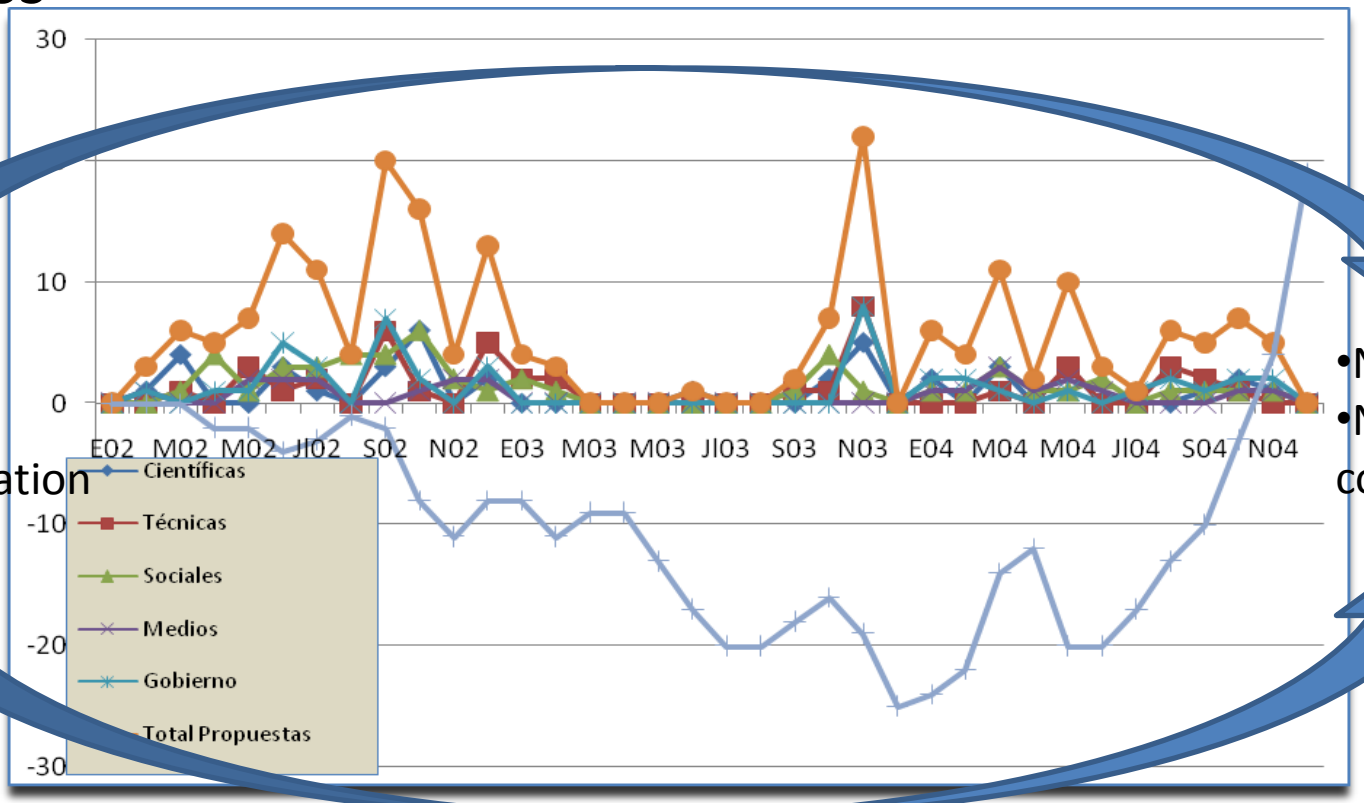
Analytical apparatus: Social Construction of Environment and conflict boundaries theory

- Environment crisis: two parallel and codependent revision process

1. SCE
2. Agent configuration



- New SCE
- New agent configuration

Classical Basin Council Structure and Lerma Chapala Agent´s Interests

Estate governments:
- Surface water quantity and quality
- Ground water quantity
- Governability

User representatives:
- Water allocation
- Economical development

Social stake holders: Ecosystem´s health recuperation; Sustainable Development; Governance

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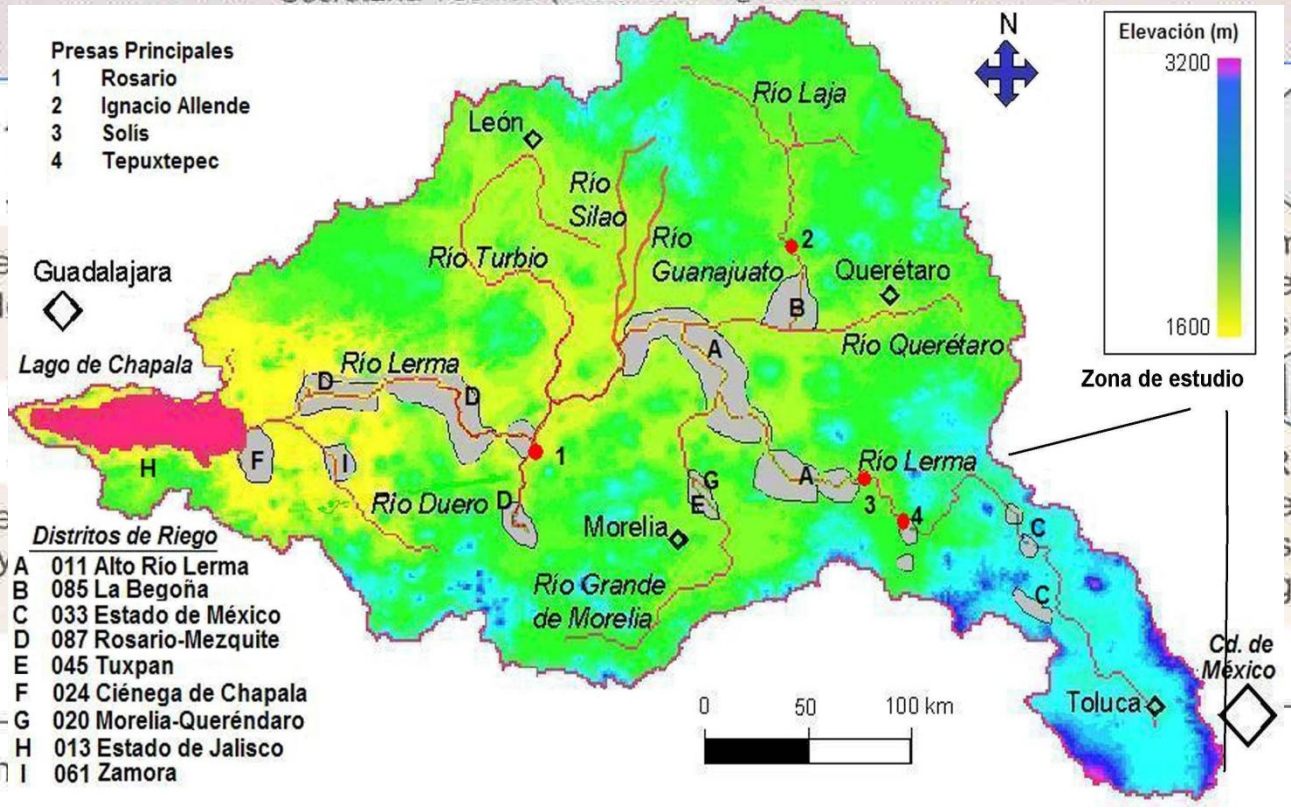

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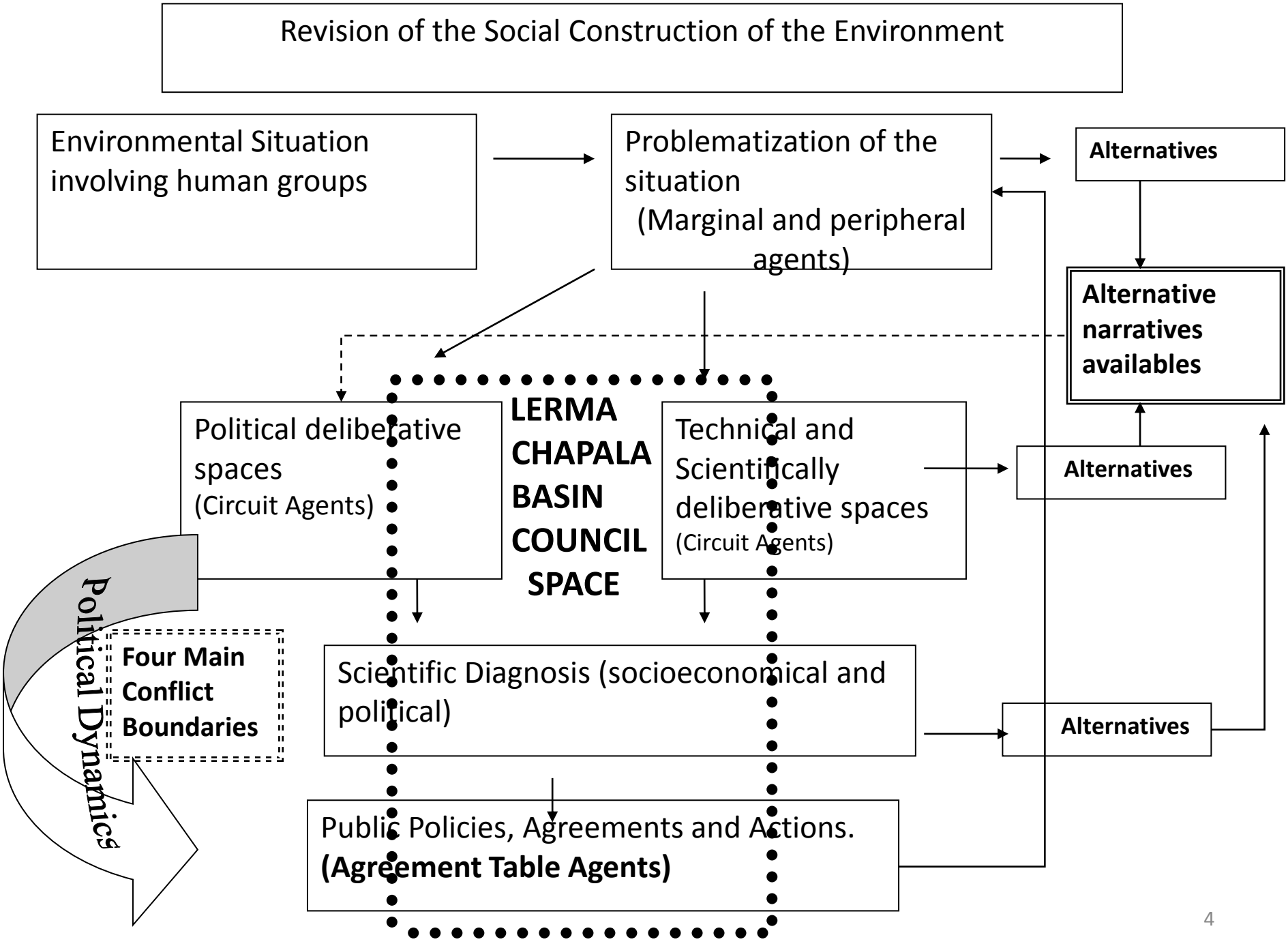
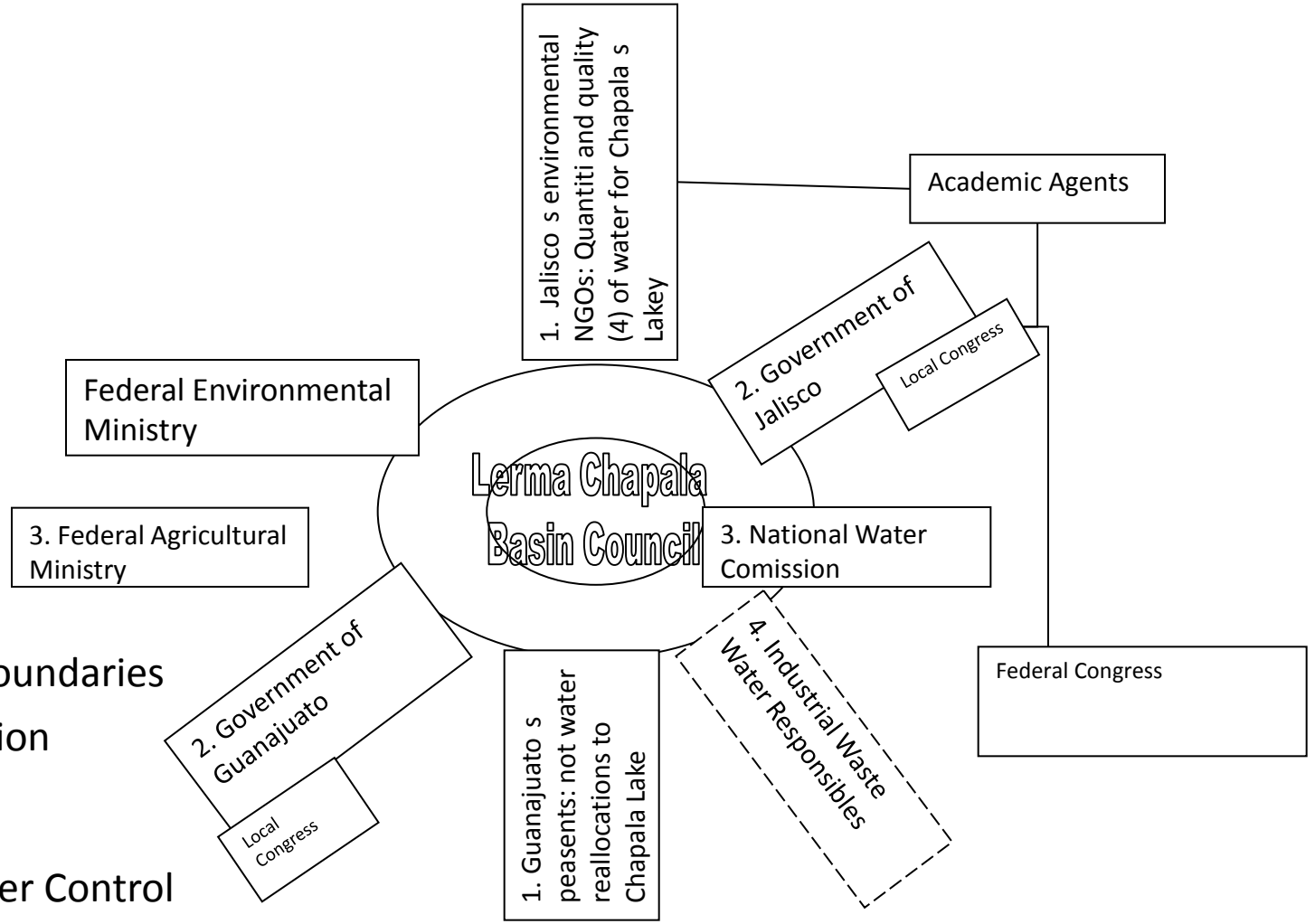

Revision of the Social Construction of the Environment
Environmental Situation involving human groups
Problematization of the situation (Marginal and peripheral agents)
Alternatives
Alternative narratives availables
LERMA CHAPALA BASIN COUNCIL SPACE
Political deliberative spaces (Circuit Agents)
Technical and Scientifically deliberative spaces (Circuit Agents)
Alternatives
Political Dynamics
Four Main Conflict Boundaries
Scientific Diagnosis (socioeconomical and political)
Alternatives
Public Policies, Agreements and Actions. (Agreement Table Agents)

Reconfiguration of agents



Main Conflict Boundaries

1. City Vs Irrigation
2. Governors
3. National Water Control
4. Waste Water