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| **Natural Event** | **Effects on *Mature* Community** |
| **Drought** | * Destroys habitats * Results in the death of plants and  animals * Leads to crop failures and  livestock deaths |
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| **Human Activity** | **Effects on Ecosystem** |
| **Deforestation** | * Reduction in number of plants and animals living in an ecosystem * Erosion due to lack of plant roots holding soil in place * Removal of nutrients from topsoil |
| **Agricultural practices, such as leaving fields bare during non- planting seasons** |  |
| **Exploitation of Mining Resources** |  |
| **Overexploitation of Natural Resources such as Fish** |  |