

The Water Cycle is the natural process of water constantly changing state and moving between the earth and the atmosphere.

EVAPORATION: Liquid water is transformed into a gas or vapor state.

CONDENSATION: Water vapor turns into liquid water.

TRANSPIRATION: Evaporation of water from the tiny pores on the leaves of plants.

PRECIPITATION: Liquid or solid water particles falling from the clouds to the ground.

INFILTRATION: Surface water soaks into the ground and recharges the aquifer.

RUNOFF: Water that travels over land to accumulate in streams, rivers, lakes, and oceans.

