Oxford Advanced Learners Dictionary 8th Ed. morass mor-ass [morass morasses] BrE [məˈræs] * NAmE [məˈræs] * noun usually singular (formal) 1. an unpleasant and complicated situation that is difficult to escape from Syn: ↑web · a morass of lies and deceit • We got bogged down in a morass of detail and bureaucratic red tape. 2. a dangerous area of low soft wet land Syn: 1bog, Syn: 1quagmire Word Origin: late 15th cent.: from Dutch moeras, alteration (by assimilation to moer 'moor') of Middle Dutch marasch, from Old French marais 'marsh', from medieval Latin mariscus. Longman DOCE 5th Ed. (En-En) morass mo rass/məˈræs/ BrE * AmE * noun [Date: 1600-1700; Language: Dutch; Origin: moeras, from Old French maresc] 1. [singular] a complicated and confusing situation that is very difficult to get out of: We're trying to drag the country out of its economic morass. morass of They were stuck in a morass of paperwork. 2. [countable] literary a dangerous area of soft wet ground SYN marsh Freakuency Pack morass ₁₂₅₀₀**12292**^{MCW} 15000 12291 COCA RANGE: 12k MORASS 379 morass 373 morasses 6 COCA 500k Unlemmatized

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1) болото, трясина, топь

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2) тяжёлое, запутанное положение