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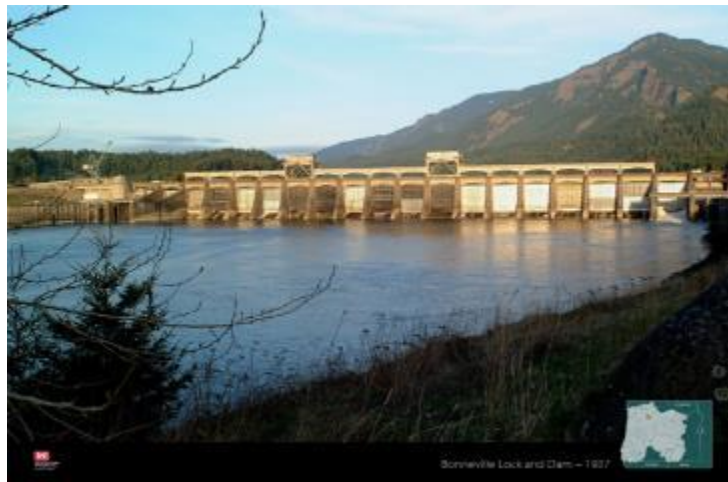
**2020 NATIONAL
CWA 303(d) TRAINING WORKSHOP**

Thursday May 28, 2020

Session #6

RBM10

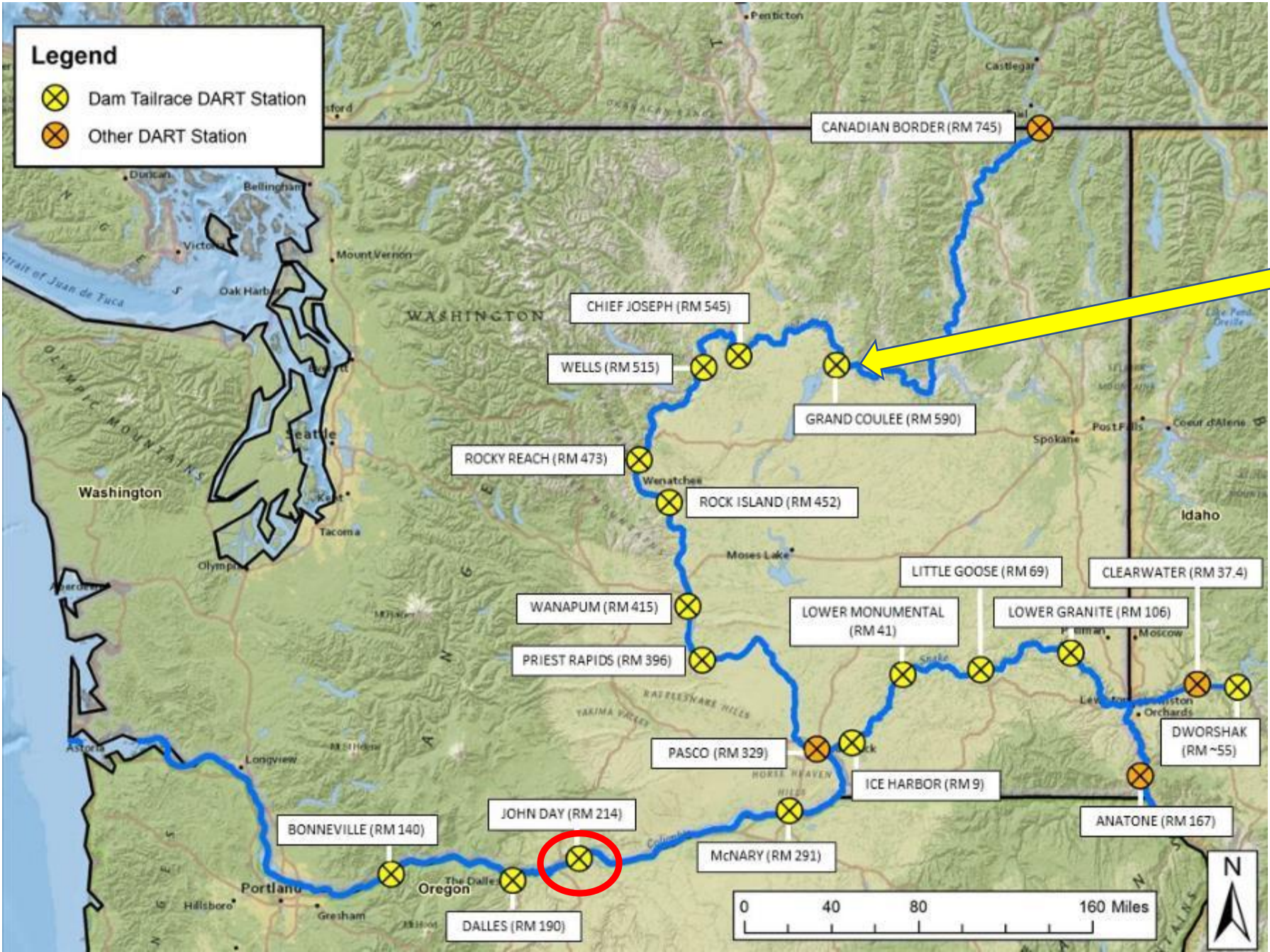
Temperature Model of the Columbia and Snake Rivers



National 303d Meeting
Model Showcase

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May 28, 2020

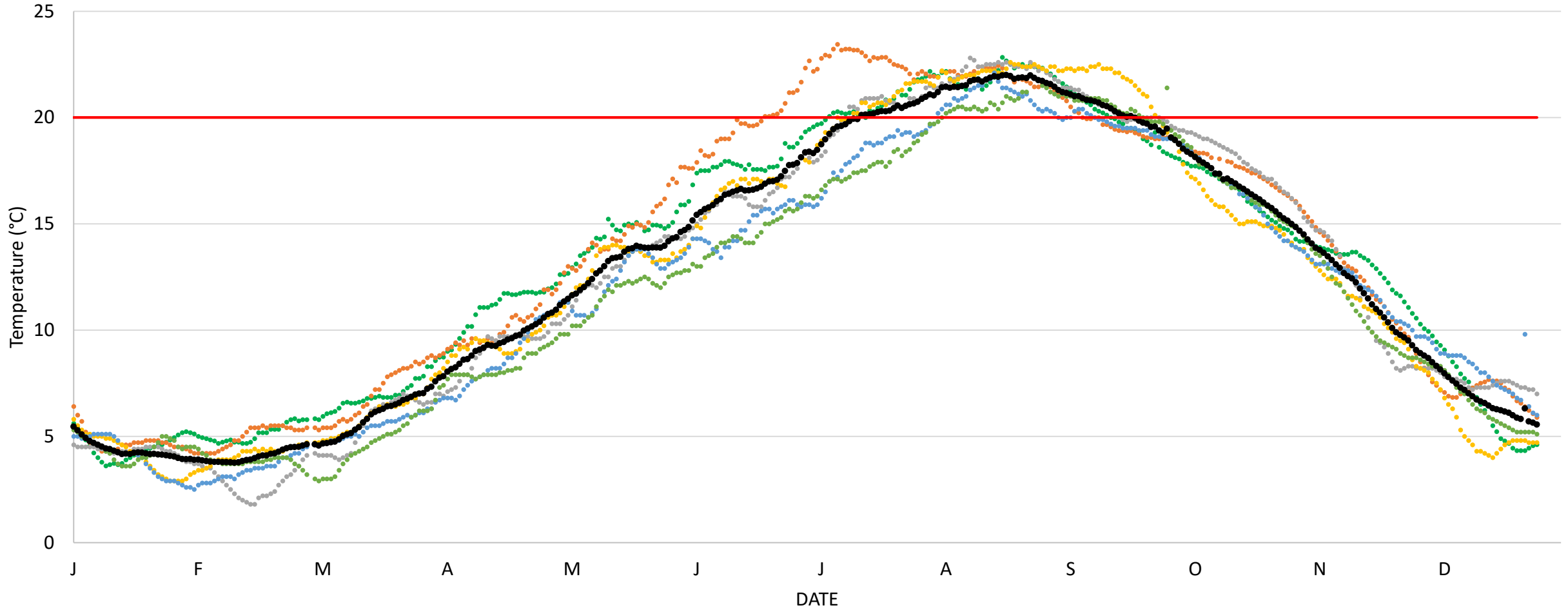




Fun Fact: Grand Coulee Dam contains enough concrete to build a highway from Seattle to Miami.

Daily Maximum Temperature John Day Dam 2011-2016

(WA Criterion: 20°C 1-DMax)

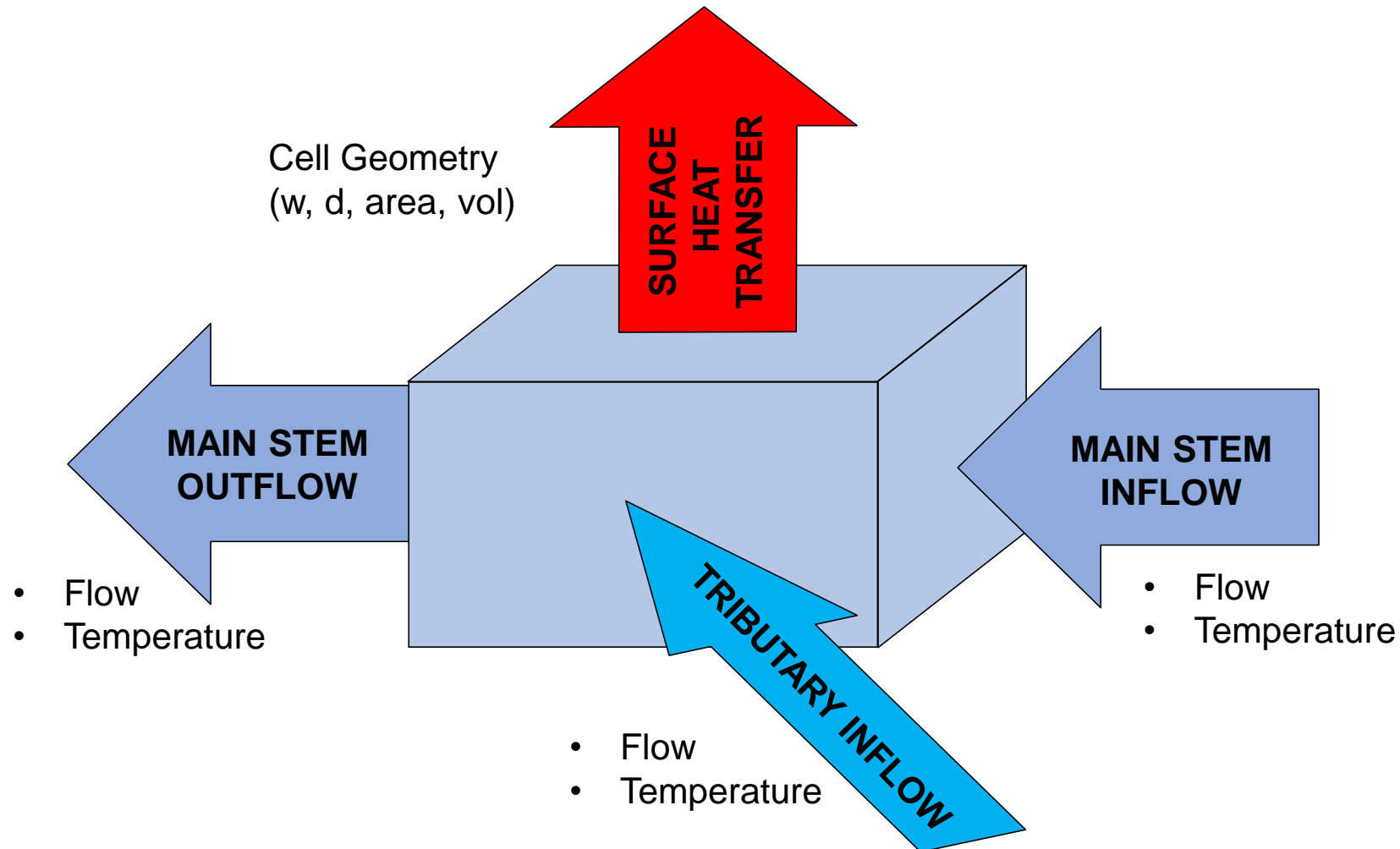


—●— 2016 Daily Max —●— 2015 Daily Max —●— 2014 Daily Max —●— 2013 Daily Max —●— 2012 Daily Max —●— 2011 Daily Max —●— 2011-2016 Average Daily Max —●— WA Criterion

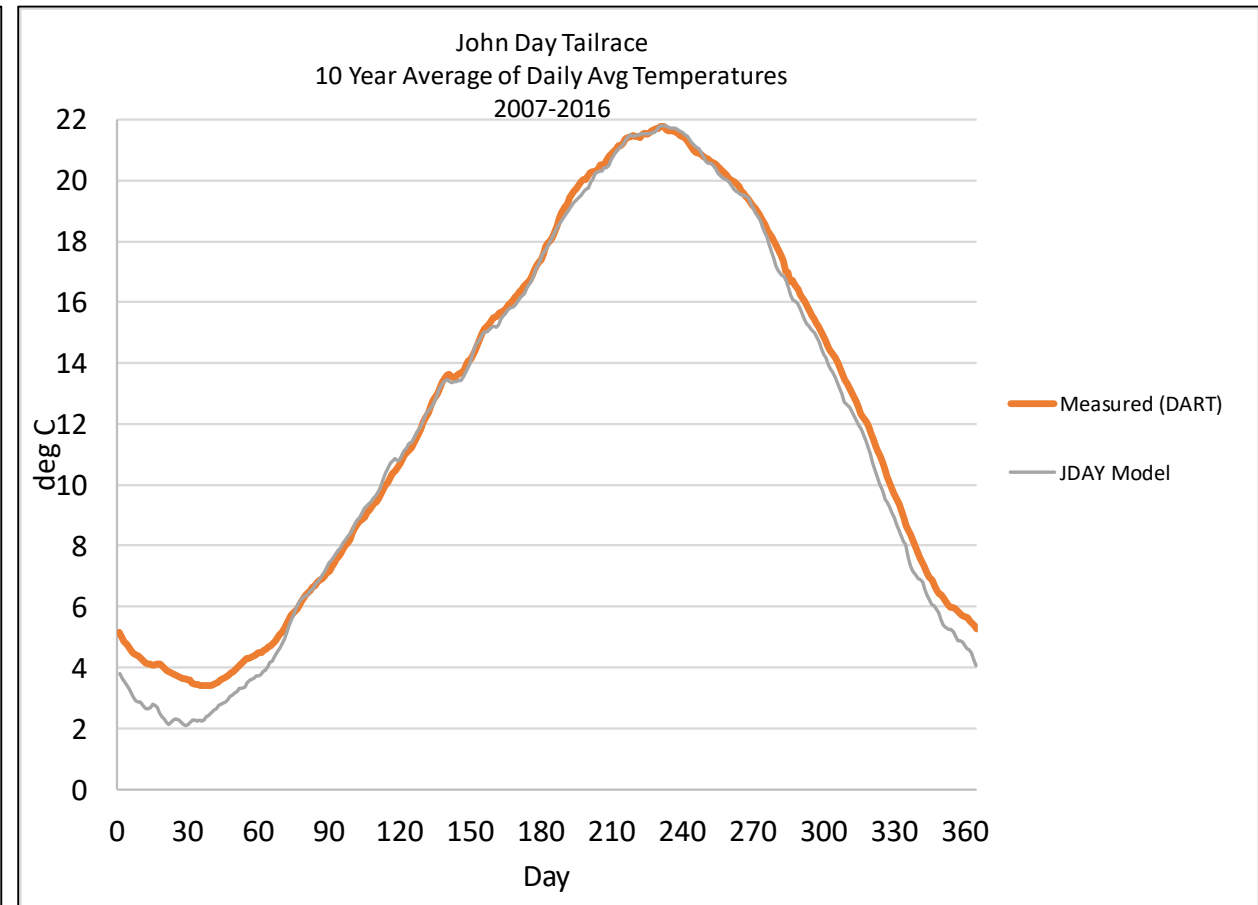
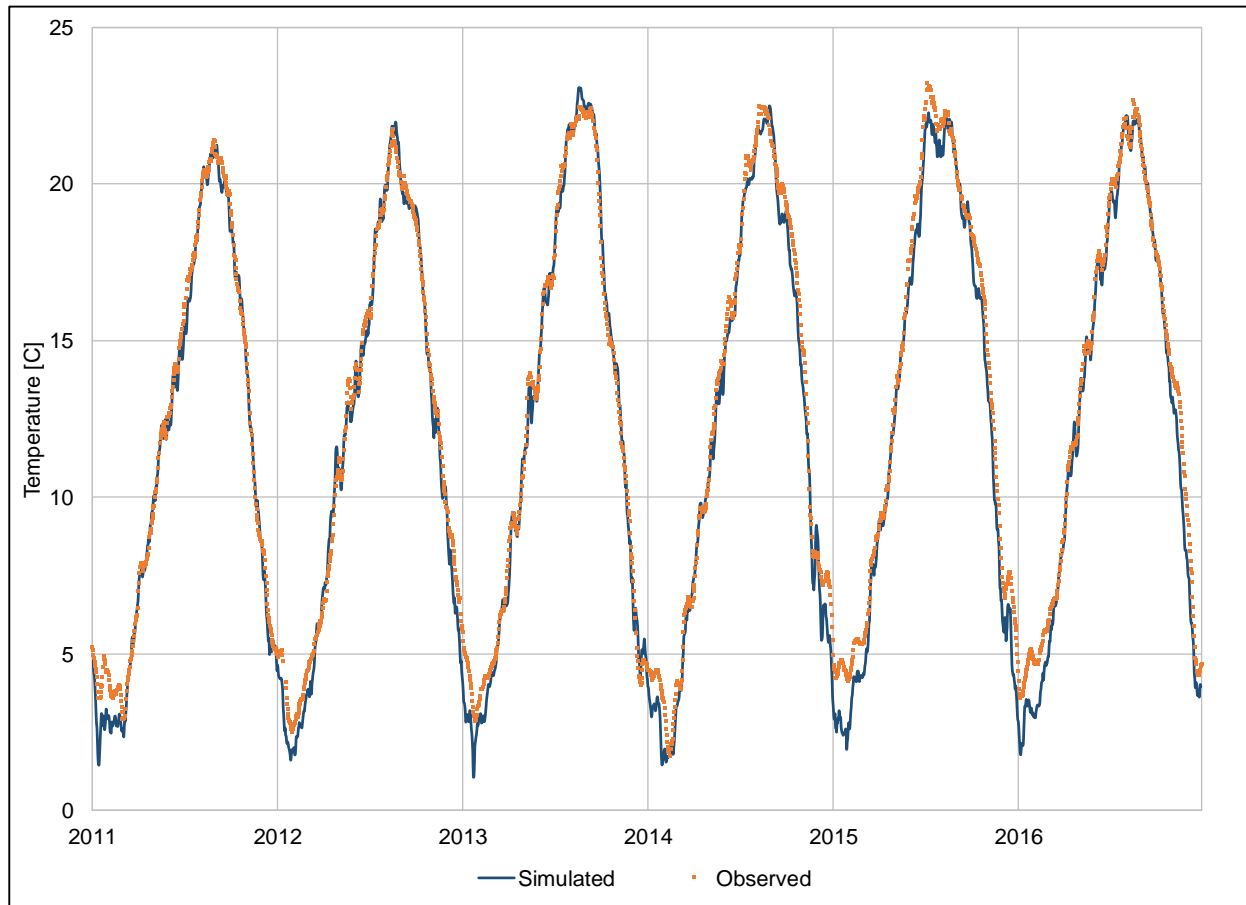
RBM10 Temperature Model

- 1-Dimensional
 - Cross-sectional average temperature simulated
- Daily time step (daily average temperature)
- Simulation years - 47 year simulation (1970-2016)

One-Dimensional Energy Budget Model



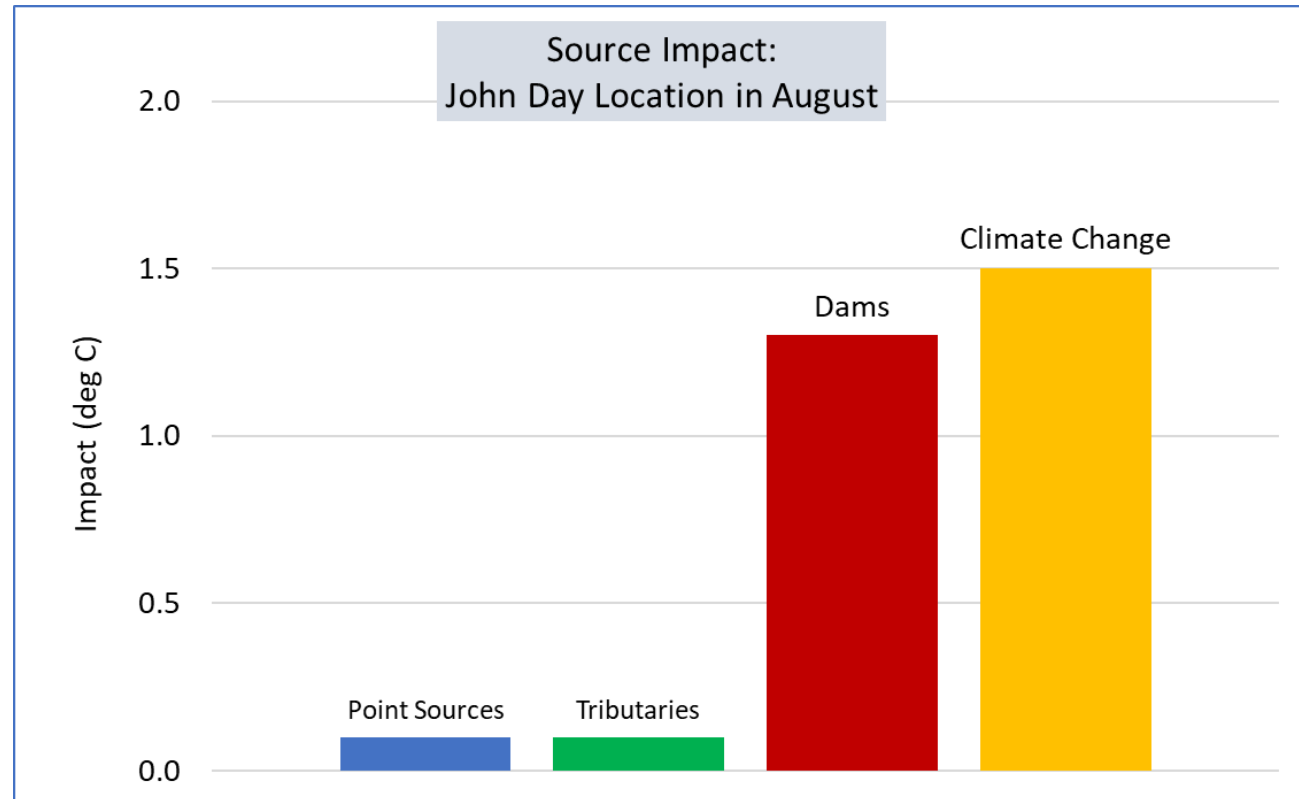
Model Is Checked Against All Available Data



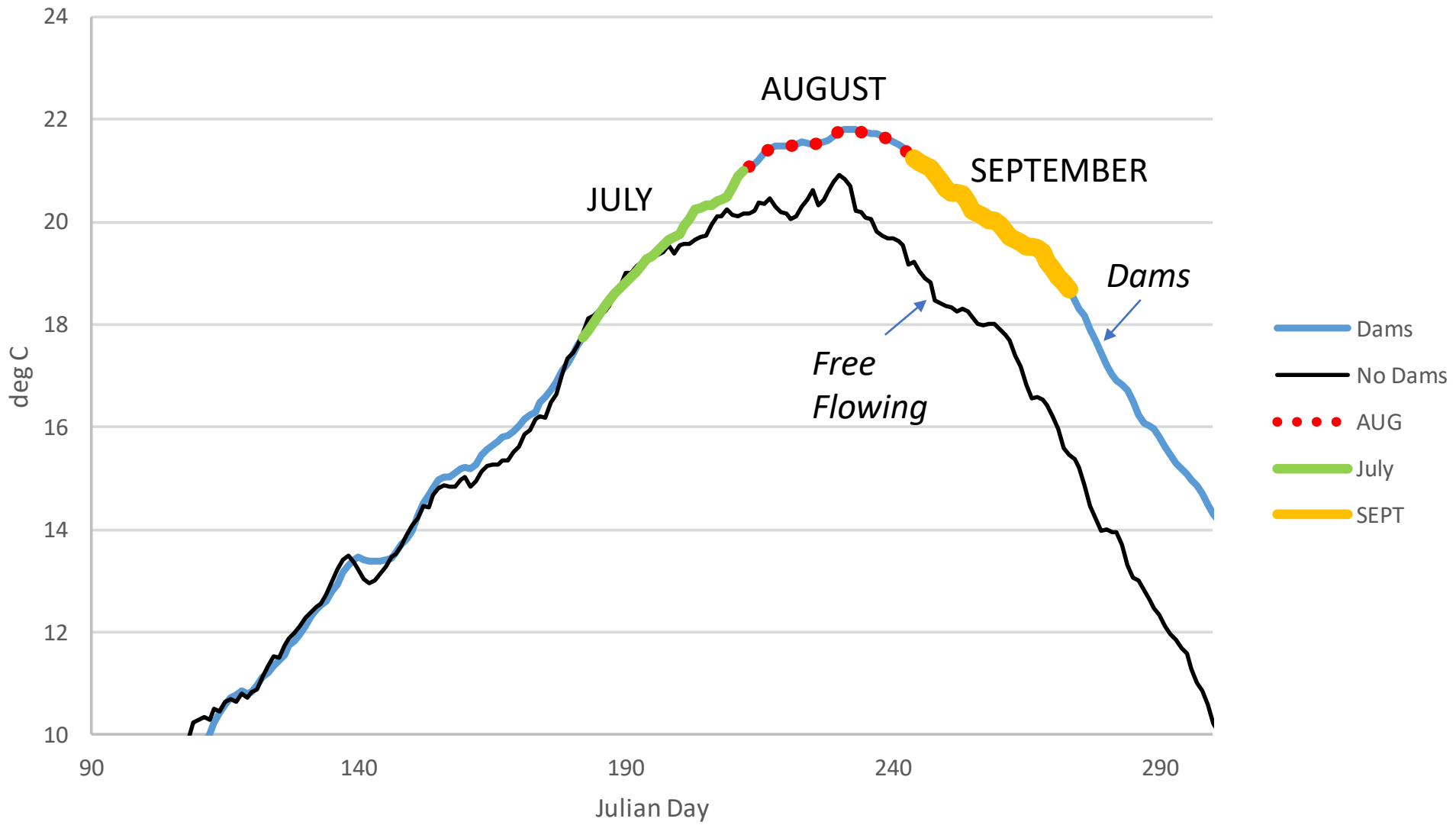
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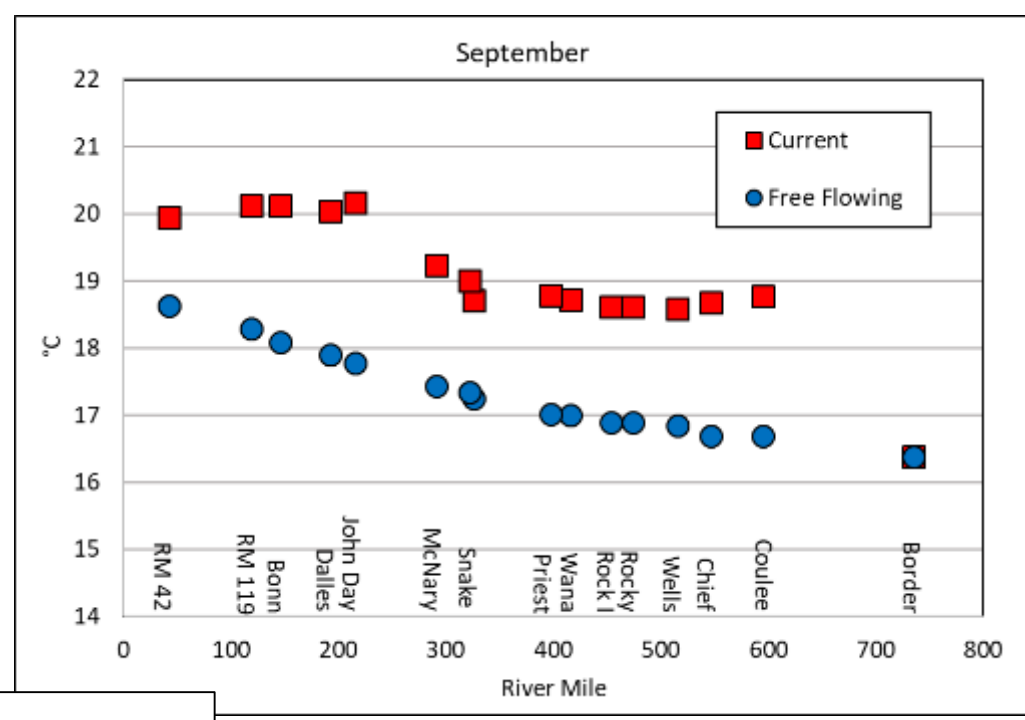
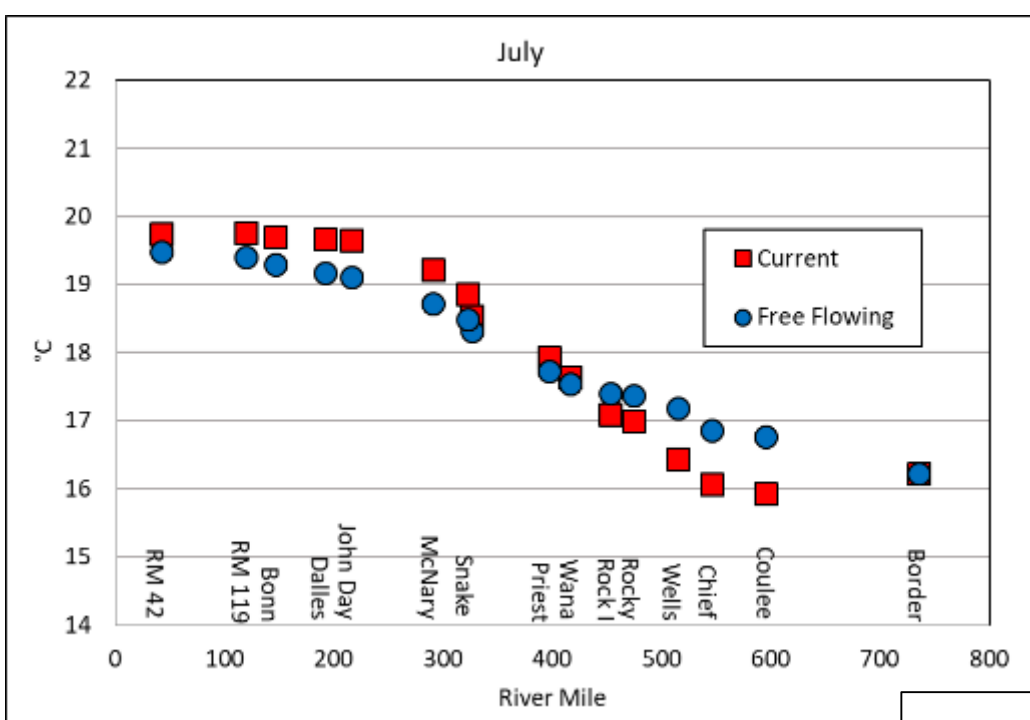
Source Assessment Scenarios

- Point source impact
 - with and without
- Tributary impact
 - altering trib temperature
- Dams
 - with and without
- Climate change
 - trend in long term simulation

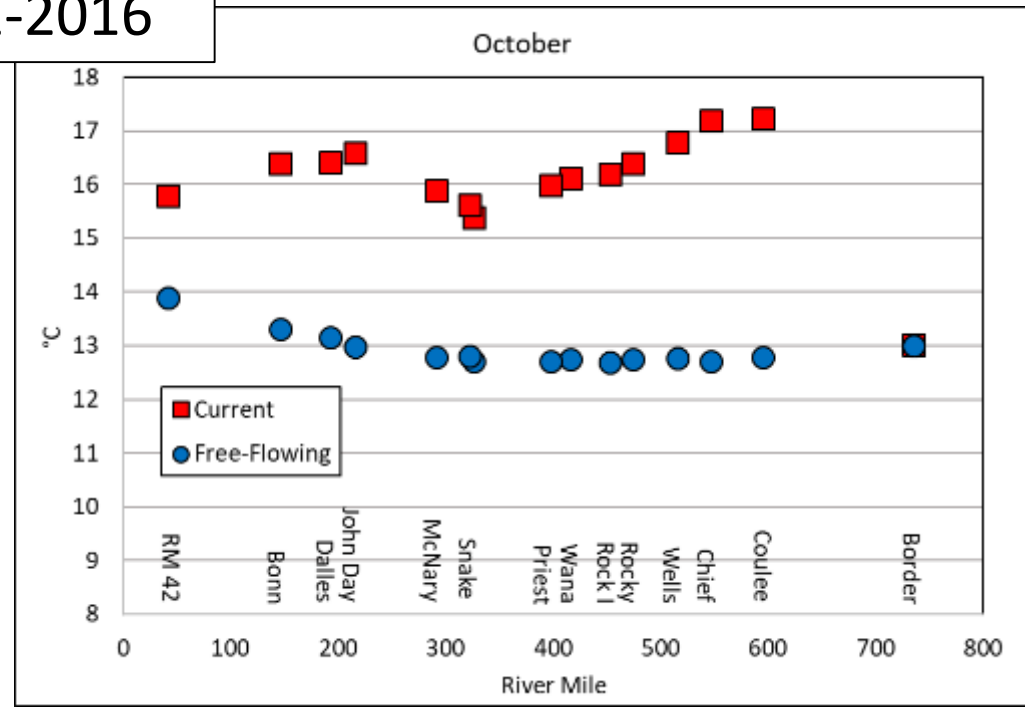
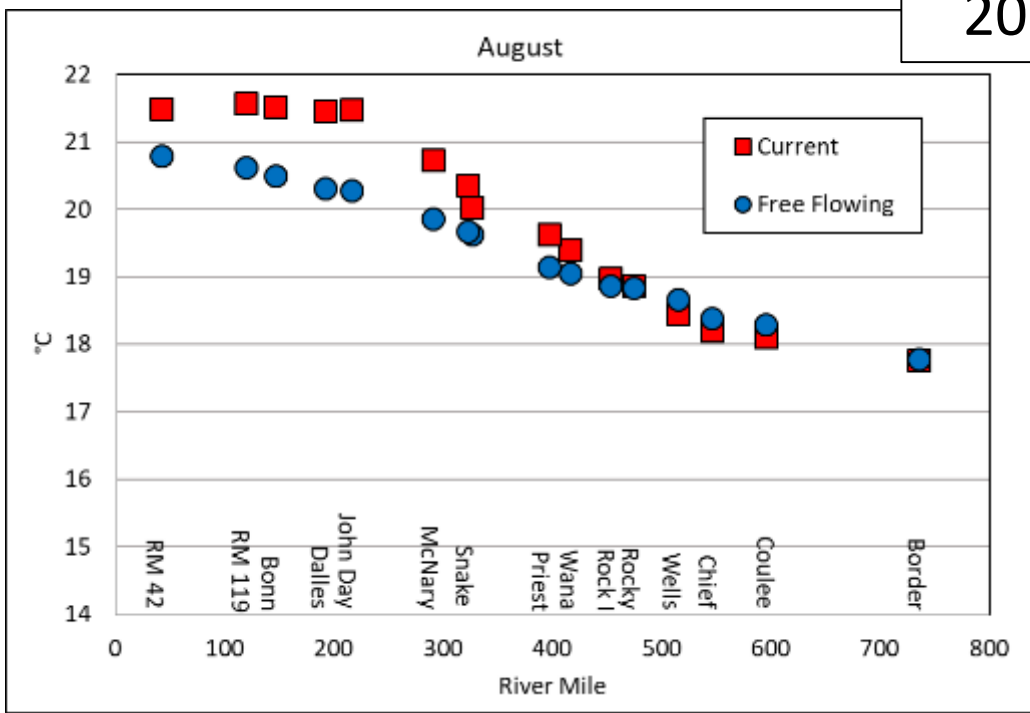


John Day Tailrace
RBM10 2007-2016





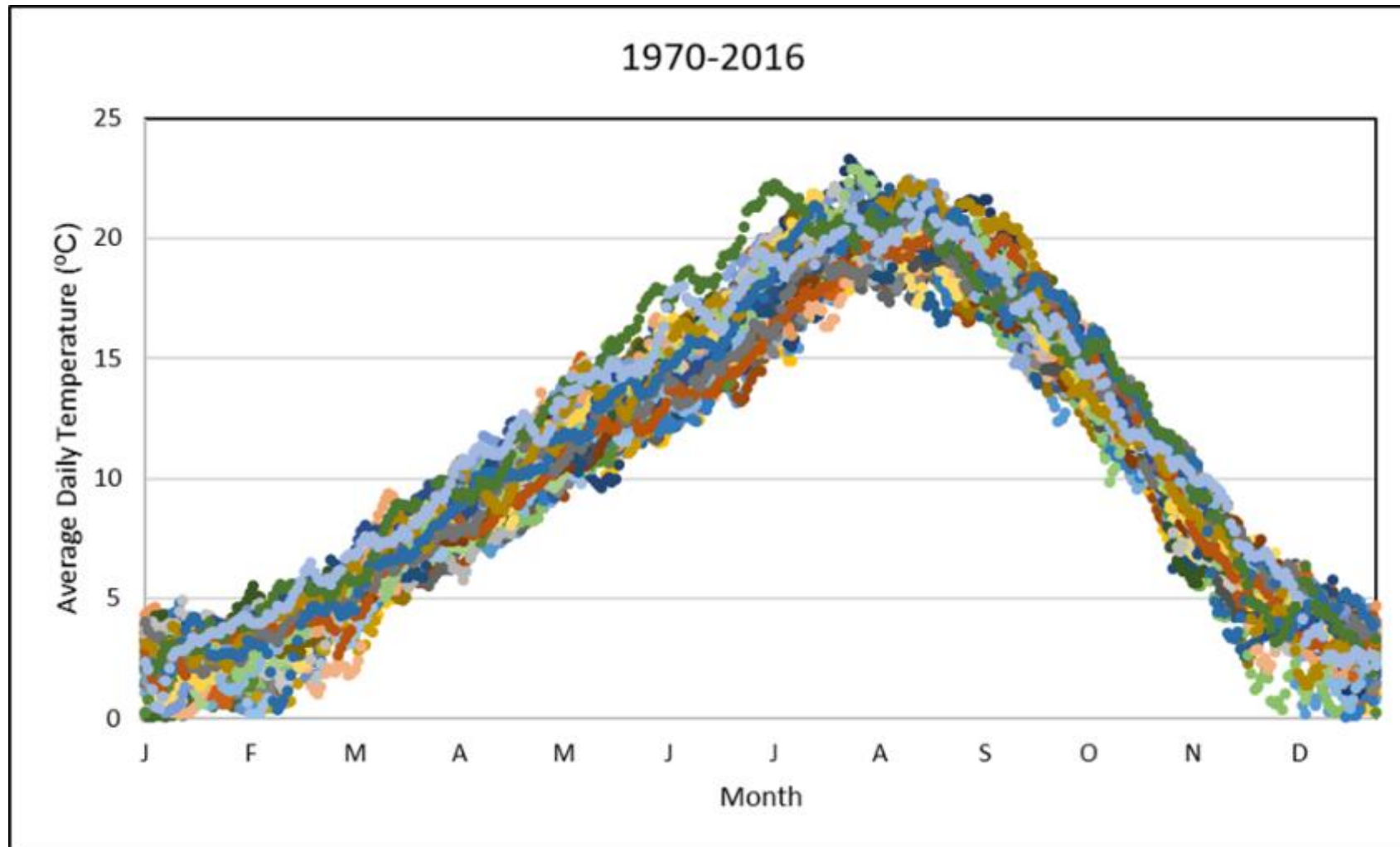
2011-2016



47 Year Simulation

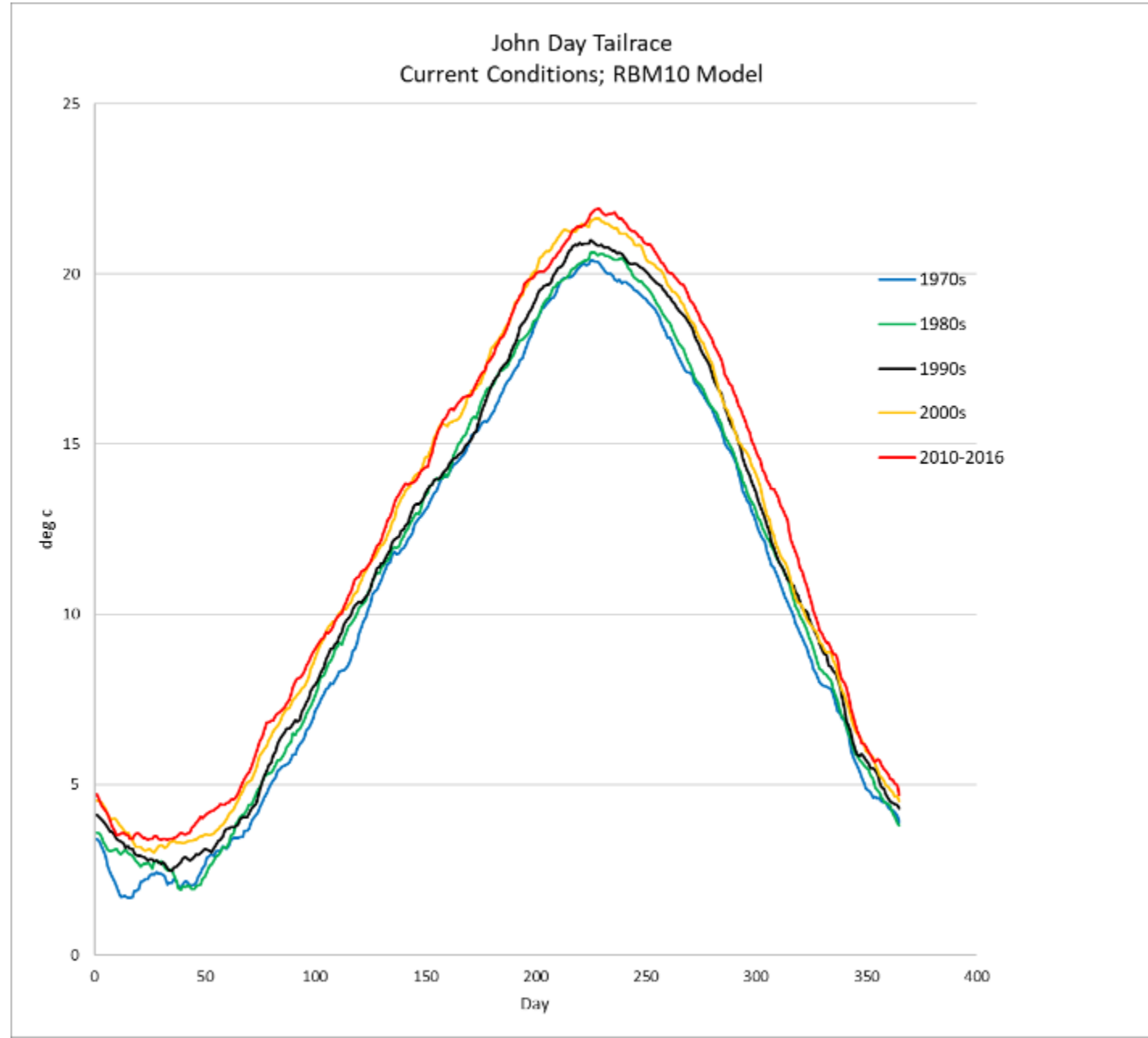
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Free-Flowing; Bonneville Dam location



Average daily
temperature by
decade

Trend is 0.4°C
increase per decade



The End

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Modeling Projects in CT

May 13, 2020

CTDEEP Presentation

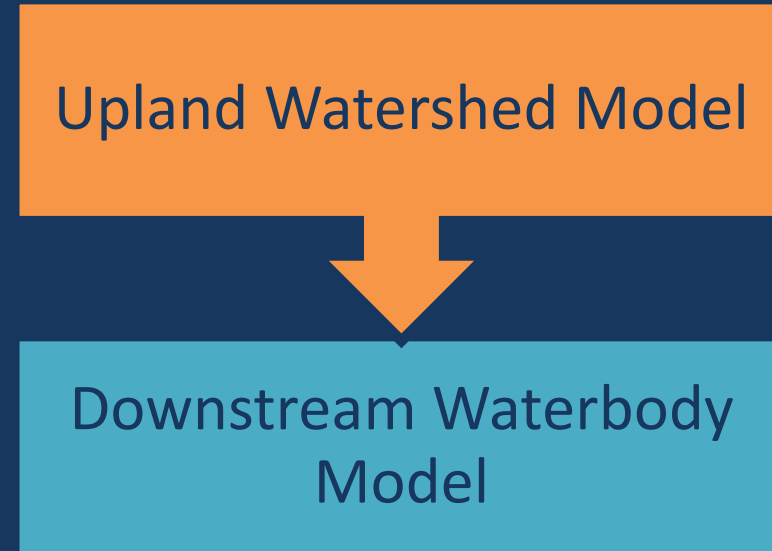
Teleconference with Local Stakeholders



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Overview: Watershed Based Approach to Nutrients

- **Objective:**
 - Develop a watershed scale approach
 - Evaluating nutrient related environmental conditions and sources
 - Nitrogen & Phosphorus
 - Point and Nonpoint Sources
 - Nutrient effects in
 - freshwater watersheds & associated embayments
 - Lakes
 - Restoration and Protection





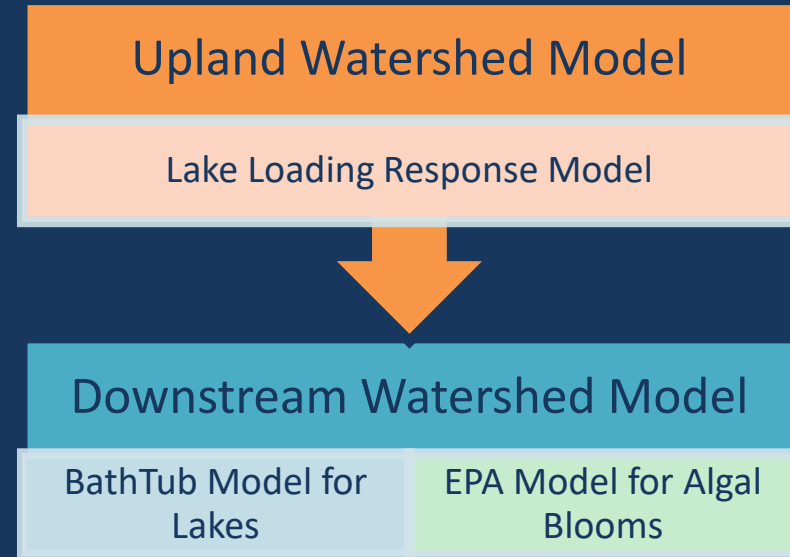
Nutrients Affecting CT Lakes



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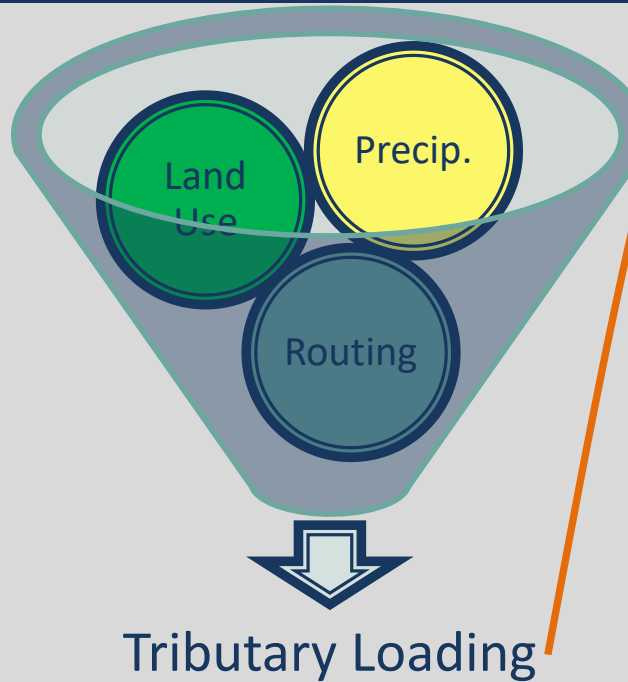
Overview: Watershed Based Approach to Nutrients

- **Lakes and Associated Watersheds**
- Modeling Objectives
 - Identify nutrient conditions associated with lake trophic status goals
 - Evaluate current and future frequency for harmful algal blooms
- Develop modeling capacity at CTDEEP for project models
- Coordinate with EPA HQ on application of EPA lake nutrient model in CT regarding nutrients and Harmful Algal Blooms

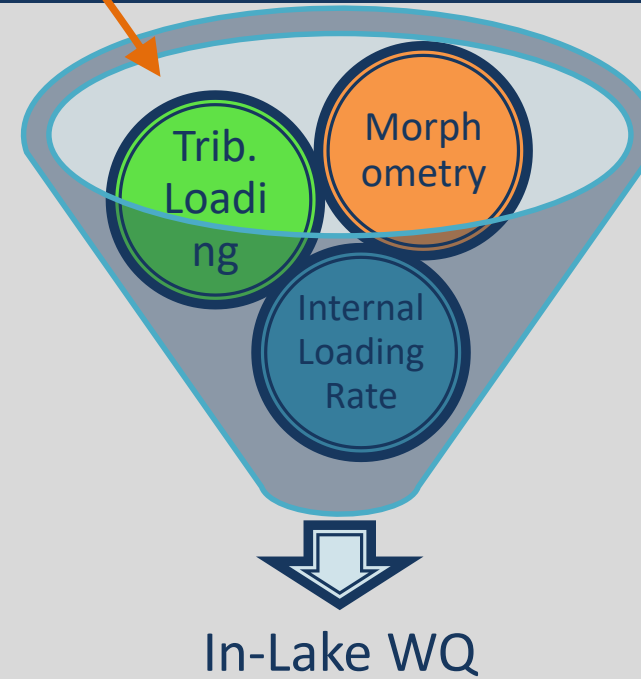


Modeling Overview

Lake Loading Response Model



BathTub





Nutrients in Coastal Embayments and Contributing Watershed

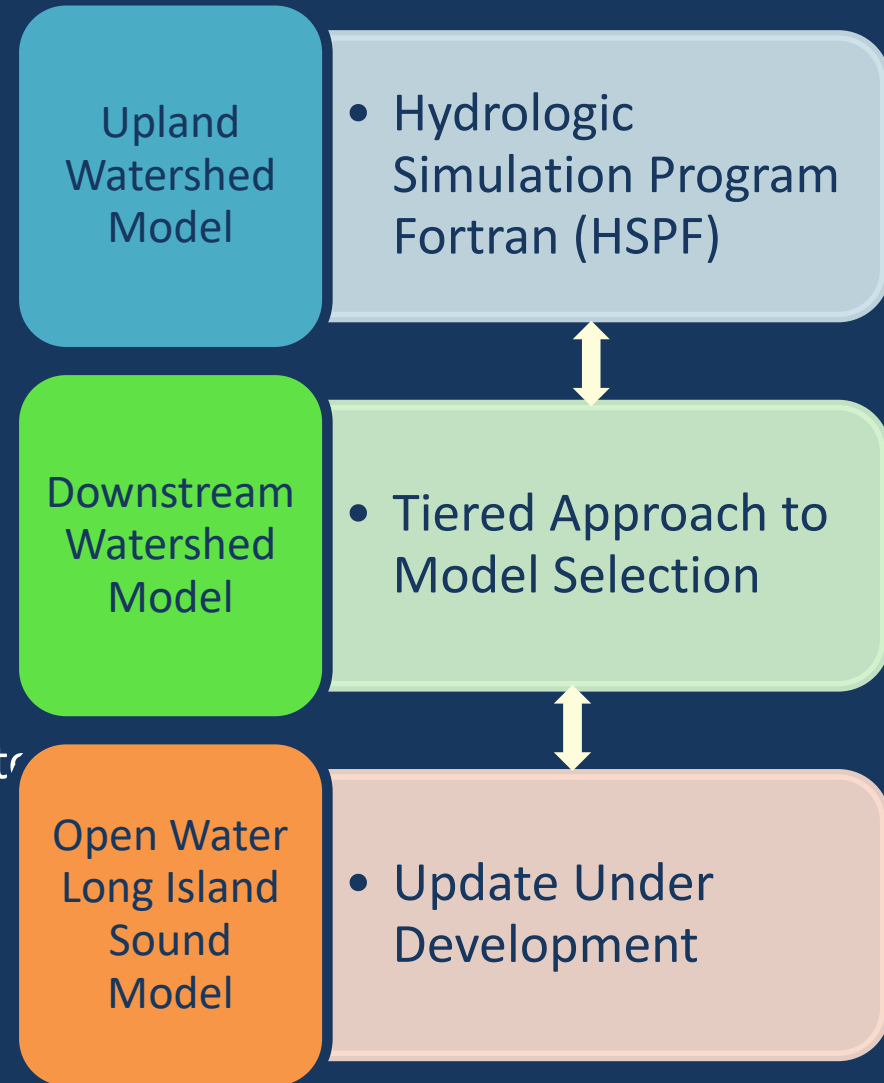


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Overview: Watershed Based Approach to Nutrients

- **Estuaries and Associated Freshwater Watersheds**

- Build on existing WQ restoration activities
 - Bacteria TMDLs
 - WQ Based Permits
 - EPA Nitrogen Reduction Strategy
 - CT Second Generation Nitrogen Strategy
 - Habitat improvements



SNEP Project Components

- HSPF Watershed Model
 - Hydrologic Simulation Program - Fortran
 - Comprehensive
 - Hydrology & WQ
 - Addresses soil, groundwater, surface water processes
 - Storm Events
 - Point & Non-point Sources
 - Used previously in CT, RI & other states
 - Developed for Fresh water portion of watershed
 - Supported by EPA and USGS

Objective: Create a tool to evaluate and predict and evaluate watershed responses based on current and future conditions



Pawcatuck Project Communication & Outreach

- Project web page
 - Updates
 - Reports
 - Data
- Interactive Story Map
- Meetings with Partners and Stakeholders to be planned

[Pawcatuck Project Website](#)



Click on the picture above to go to the Pawcatuck Project Story Map

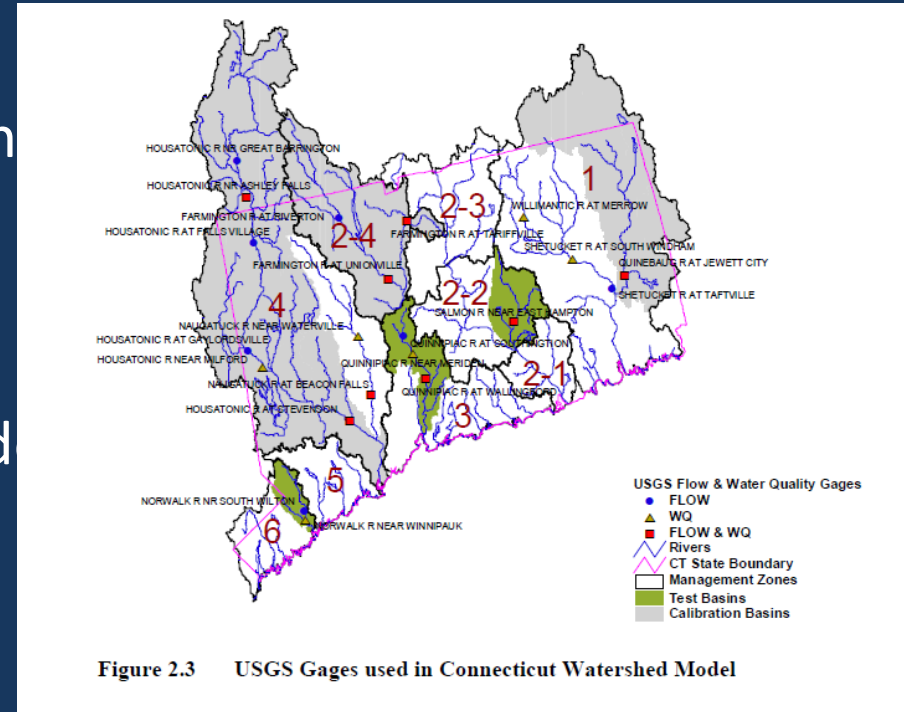


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Extending to Other CT Embayments

Support from LISS to develop HSPF Model for rest of CT

- Pawcatuck Project is demonstration project for this concept
- Working with USGS to develop associated monitoring program
- Contracted for statewide HSPF model update
- Considering a tiered approach to embayment modeling
- Focus on initial priority embayments
- Coordination with future updated LIS model



State Wide Beach Bacteria TMDL

Nine Eagles Lake

Moving Towards a Better Understanding of Bacterial Impairments at Public Beaches in Iowa

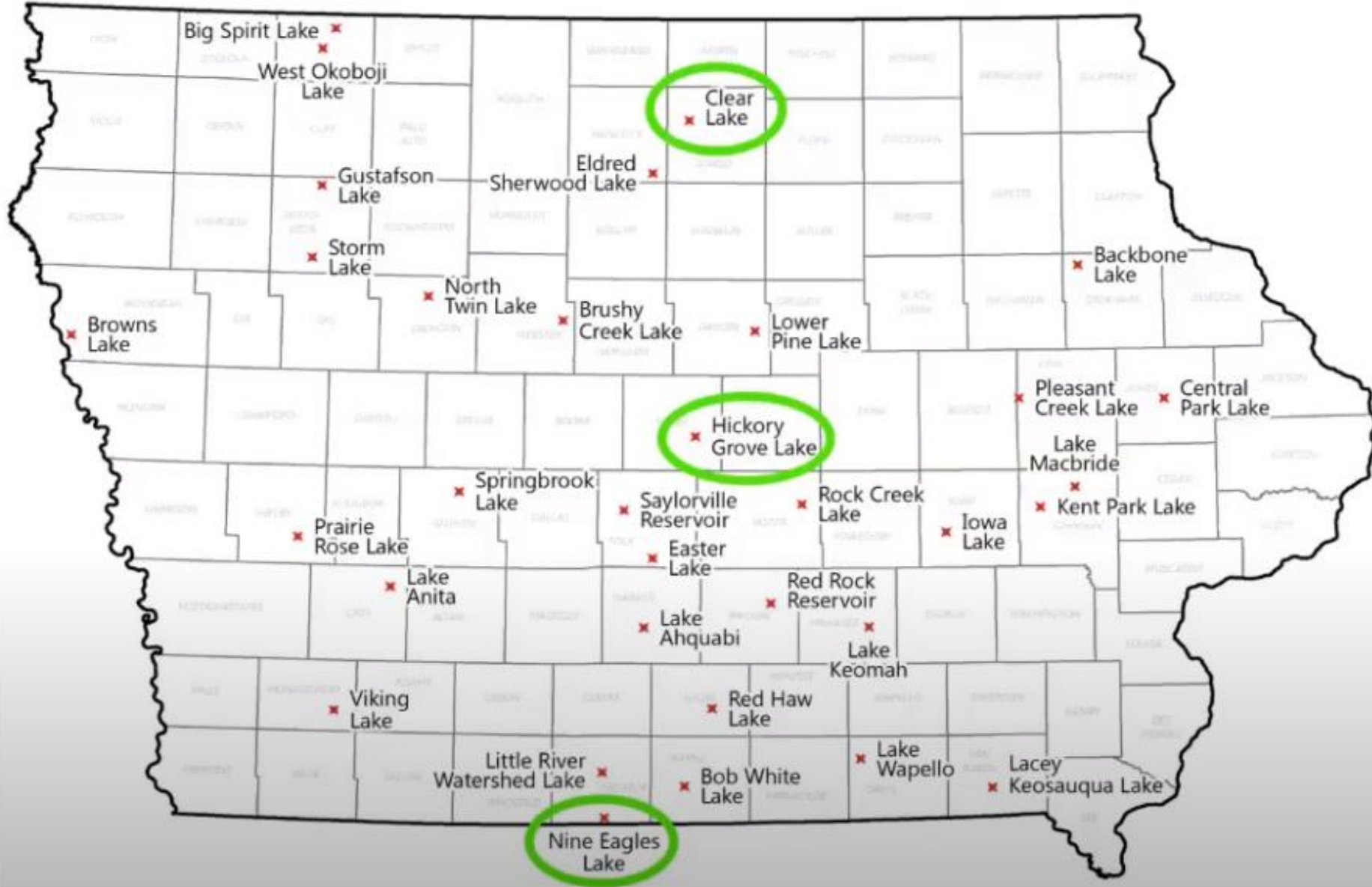
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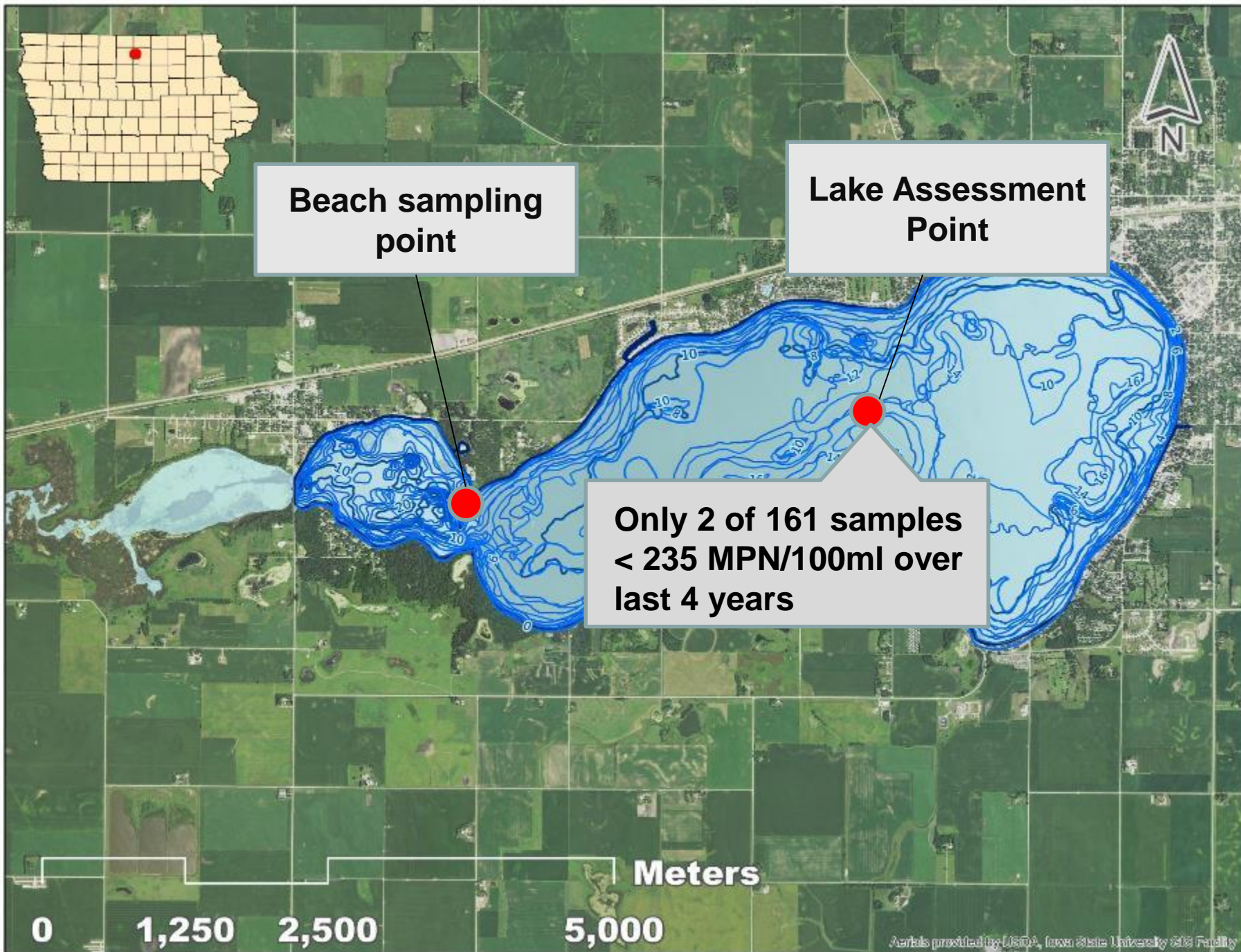


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Beach Bacteria Impairments (Category 5a)





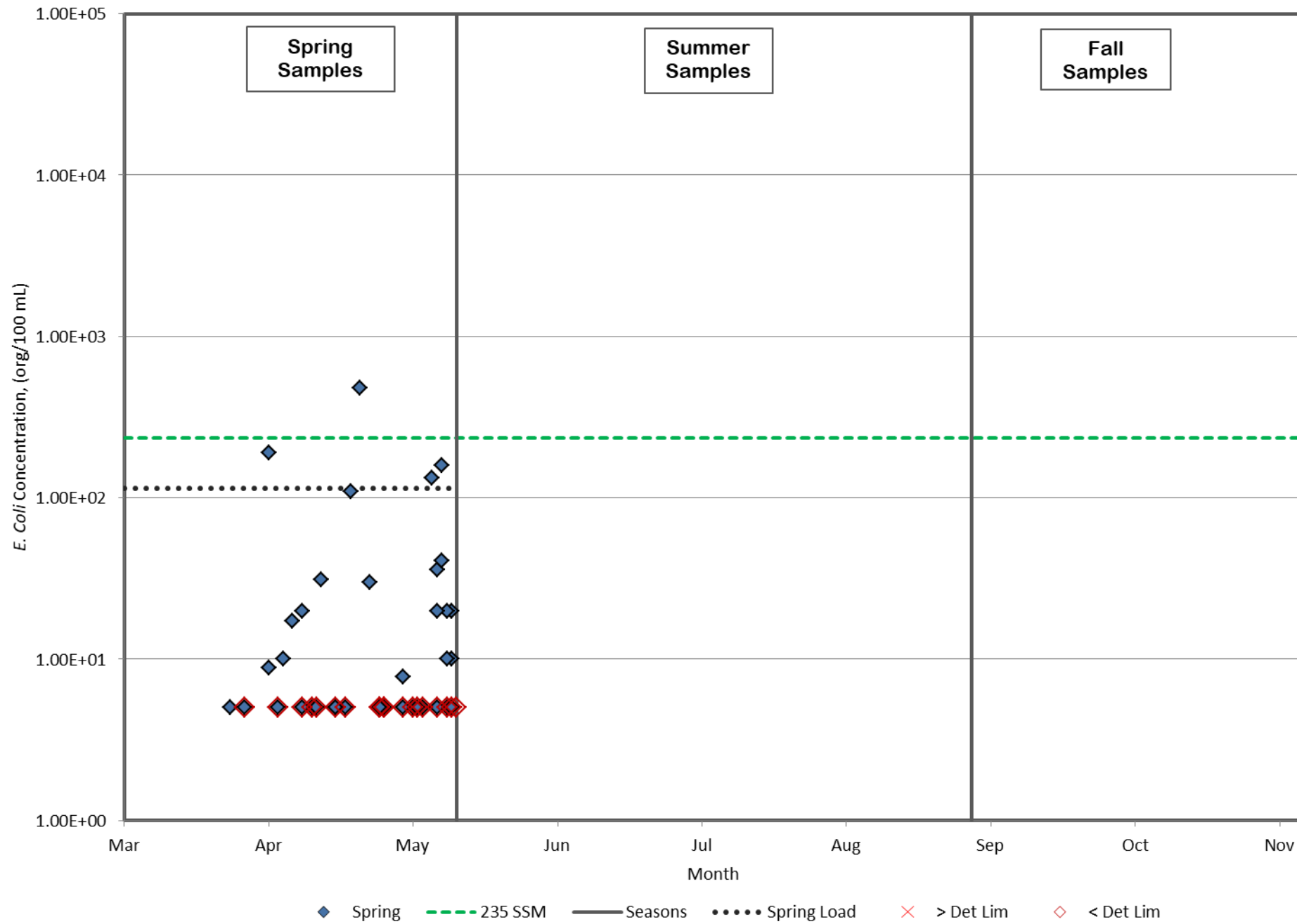
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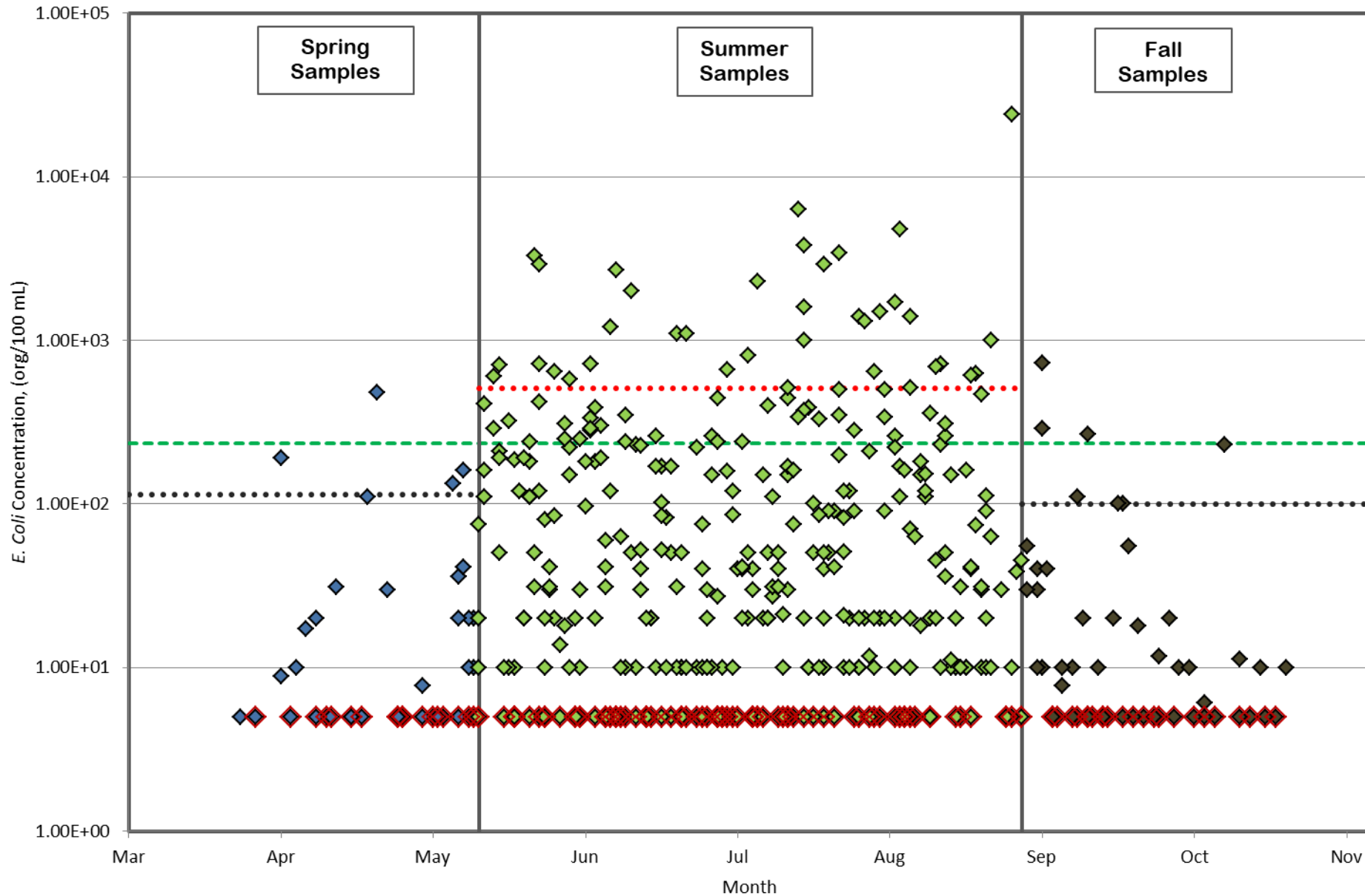


 Swimming Area  Beach Shed Area

NINE EAGLES STATE PARK NSBV, TMDL



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Nine Eagles Lake

Load Summary	Seasonal Loads (org/100 mL)		
	Spring	Summer	Fall
Observed Load	114.7	510.0	100.0
Allowable Load	235	235	235
Departure	N/A	275.0	N/A
(% Reduction)	0	(53.9)	0
TMDL	---	235.0	---
WLA	---	0.0	---
LA	---	211.5	---
MOS	---	23.5	---

Load Summary	Seasonal Loads (org/day)		
	Spring	Summer	Fall
Observed Load	1.26E+06	5.62E+06	1.10E+06
Allowable Load	2.59E+06	2.59E+06	2.59E+06
Departure	N/A	3.03E+06	N/A
(% Reduction)	0	(53.9)	0
TMDL	---	2.59E+06	---
WLA	---	0.00E+00	---
LA	---	2.33E+06	---
MOS	---	2.59E+05	---

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Comments or Questions



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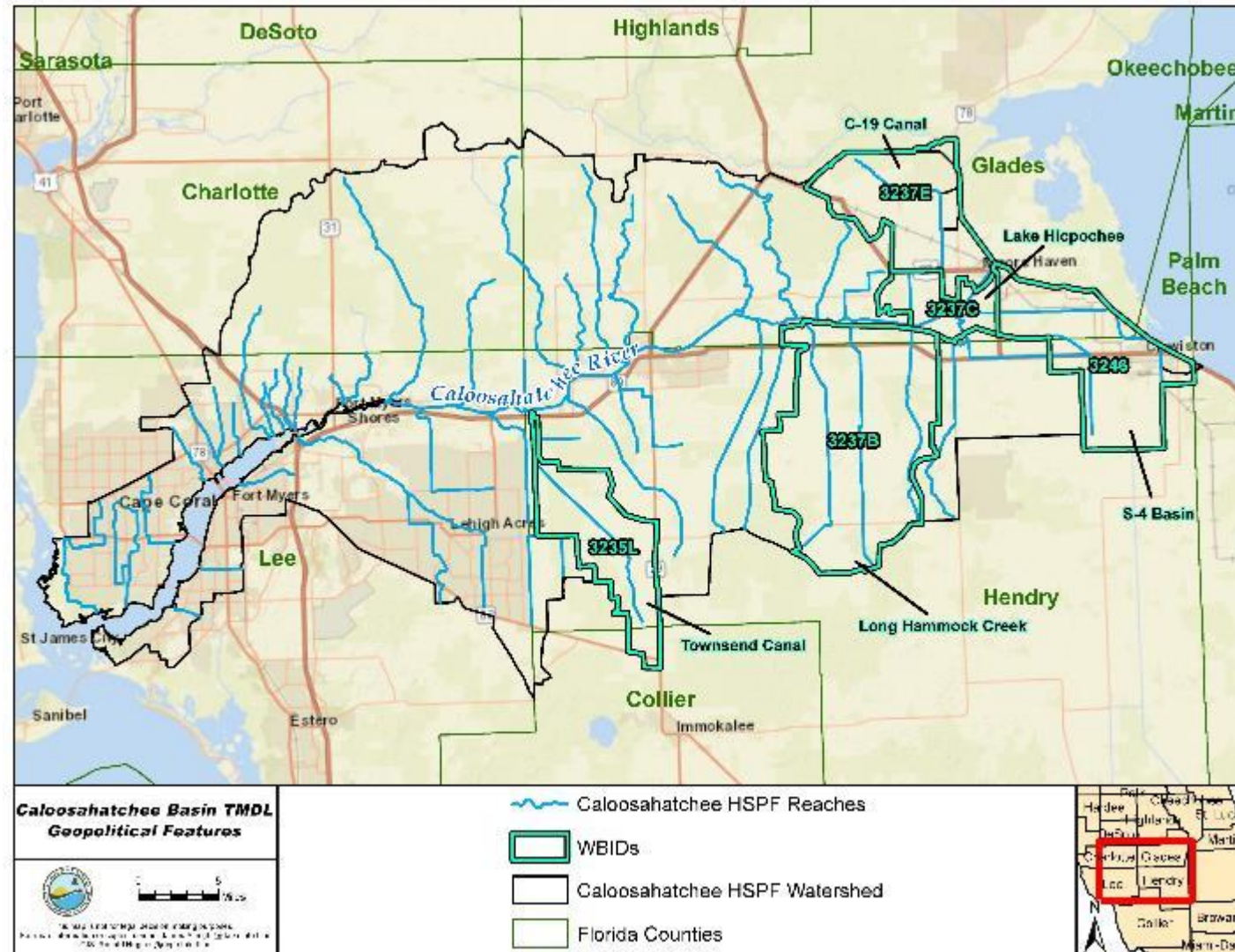
**Division of Environmental Assessment and Restoration
Water Quality Evaluation and TMDL Program**

**Development of Dissolved Oxygen TMDLs:
Townsend Canal (3235L), Long Hammock
Creek (3237B), Lake Hicpochee (3237C), C-
19 Canal (3237E), and S-4 Basin (3246)**

December 17, 2018

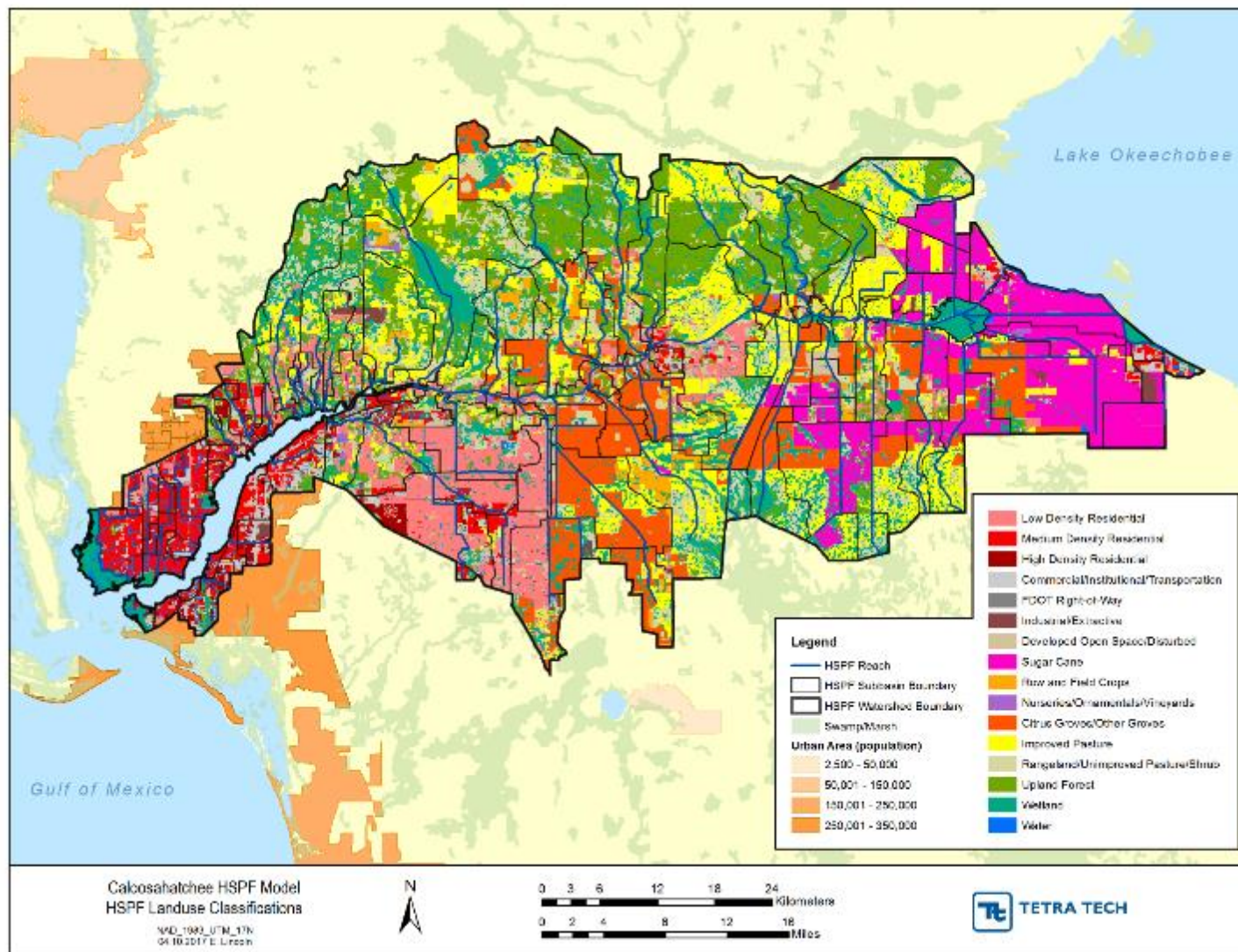


Location of the Caloosahatchee Tributary WBIDs Within the Caloosahatchee Basin



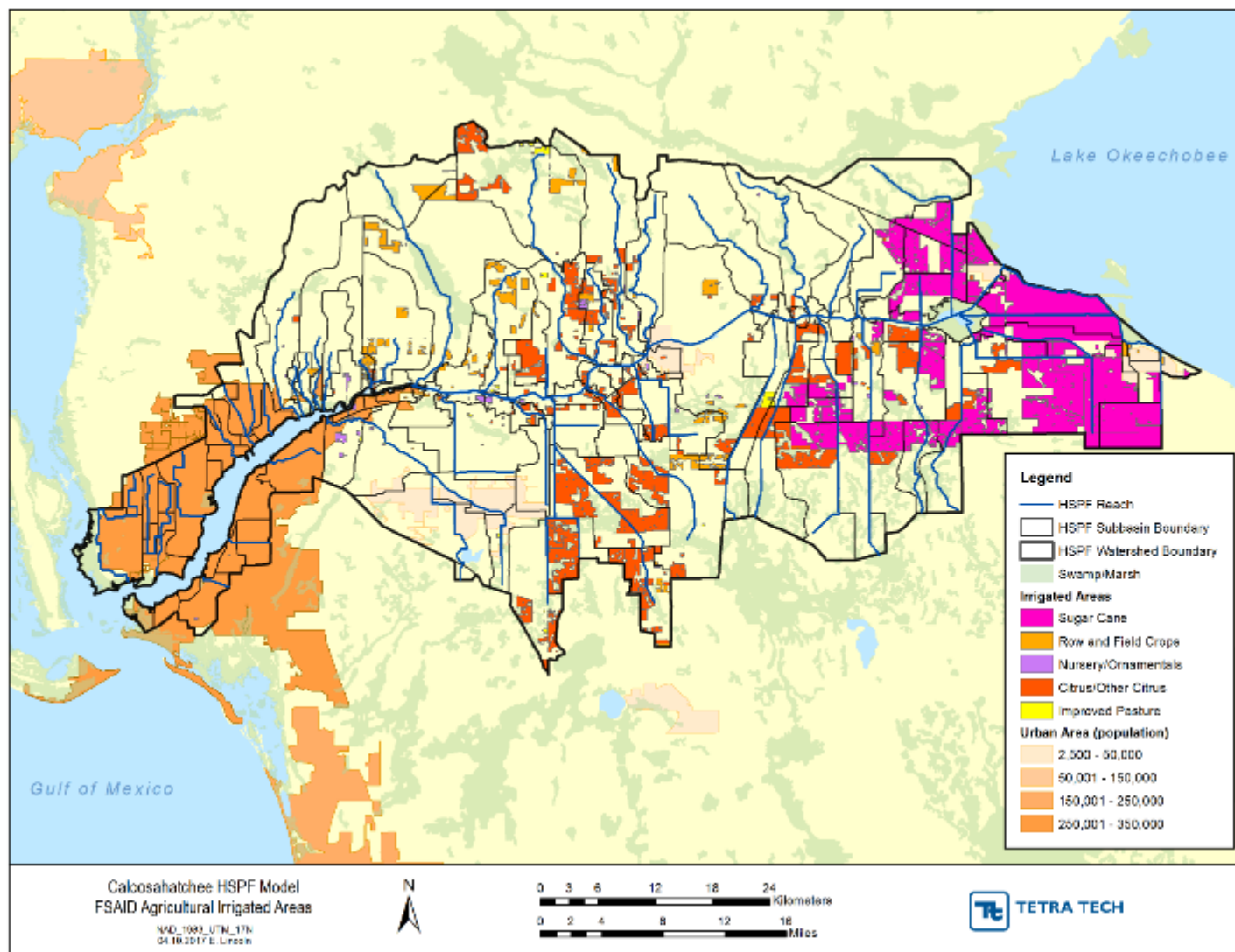


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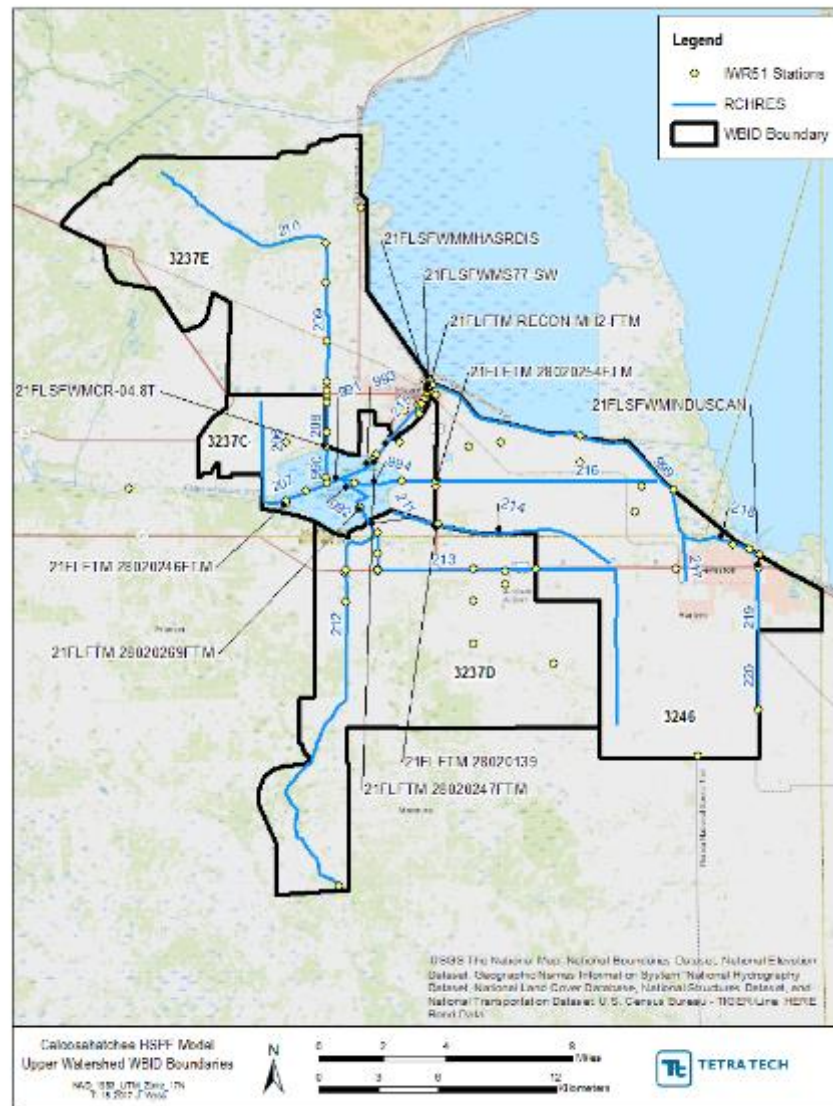


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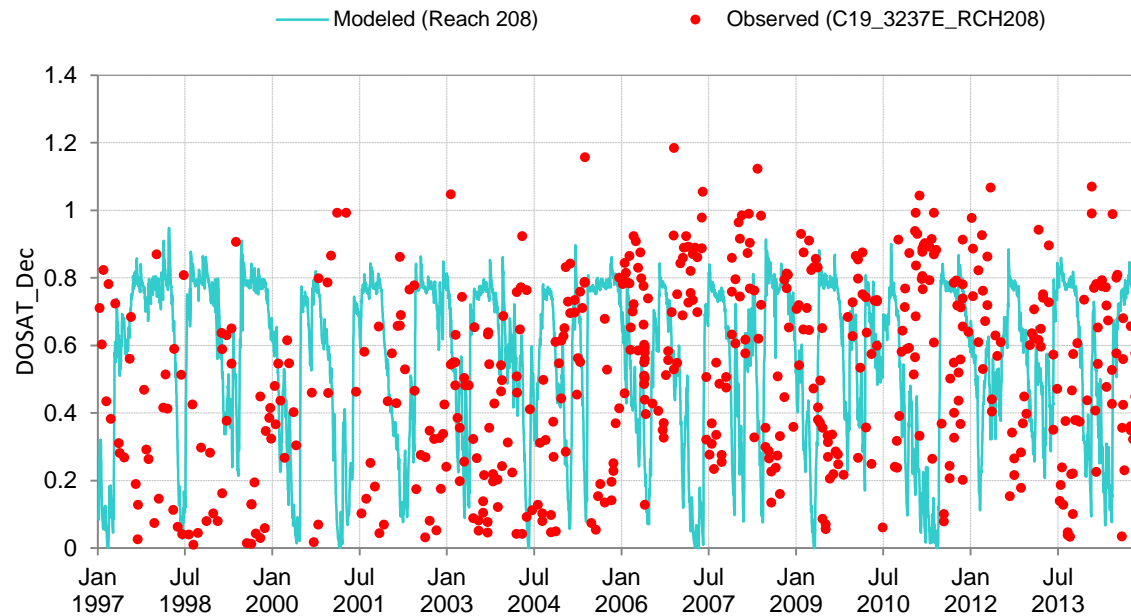


Clipped Model Area





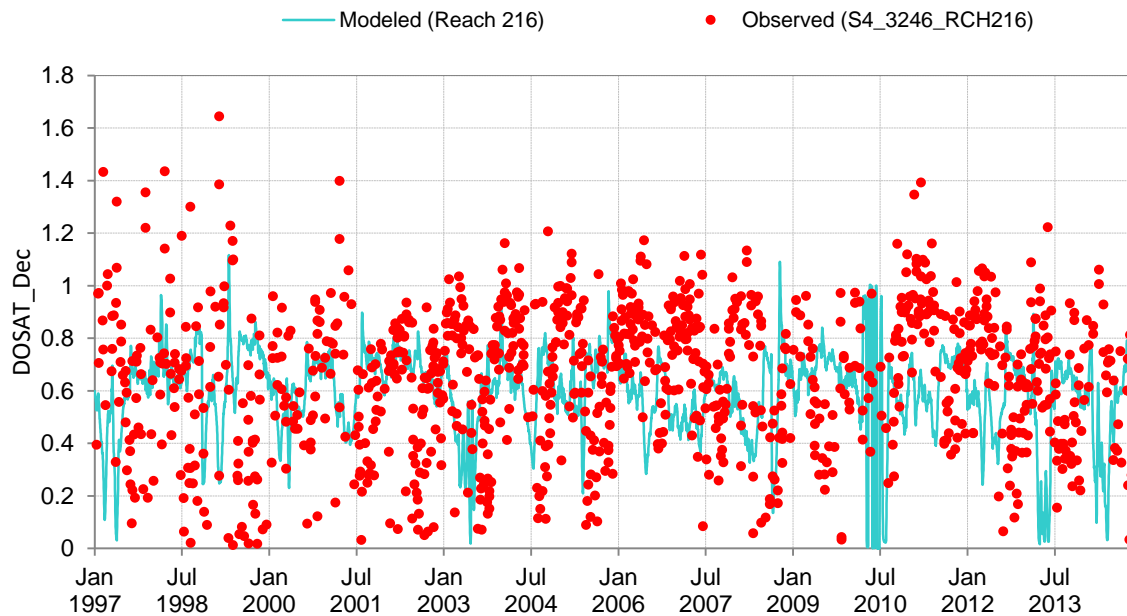
C-19 Results



Parameter	Average Annual % Error	Average Annual Error Rating	Median Annual % Error	Median Annual Error Rating
DOSAT	13.4%	Very Good	13.2%	Very Good
TN	17.8%	Very Good	21.0%	Very Good
TP	-20.6%	Very Good	-30.7%	Good



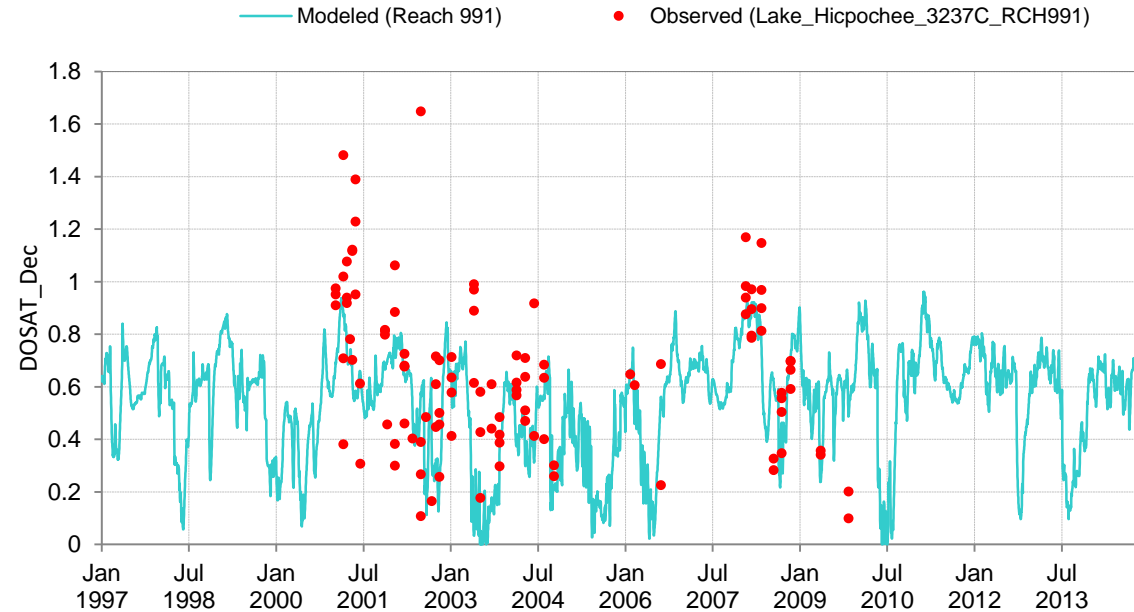
S4 Results



Parameter	Average Annual % Error	Average Annual Error Rating	Median Annual % Error	Median Annual Error Rating
DOSAT	-8.4%	Very Good	-7.2%	Very Good
TN	-24.5%	Very Good	-29.1%	Very Good
TP	-19.1%	Very Good	-32.7%	Good



Hicopochee Results



Parameter	Average Annual % Error	Average Annual Error Rating	Median Annual % Error	Median Annual Error Rating
DOSAT	-8.0%	Very Good	-1.5%	Very Good
TN	-2.0%	Very Good	6.7%	Very Good
TP	87.5%	Poor	162.5%	Poor



TMDL Modeling

- TN, TP, & BOD concentrations from surface runoff were reduced by the same amount in iterative model runs until DO % saturation excursions (below 38 % saturation) occurred less than 10 % of the time

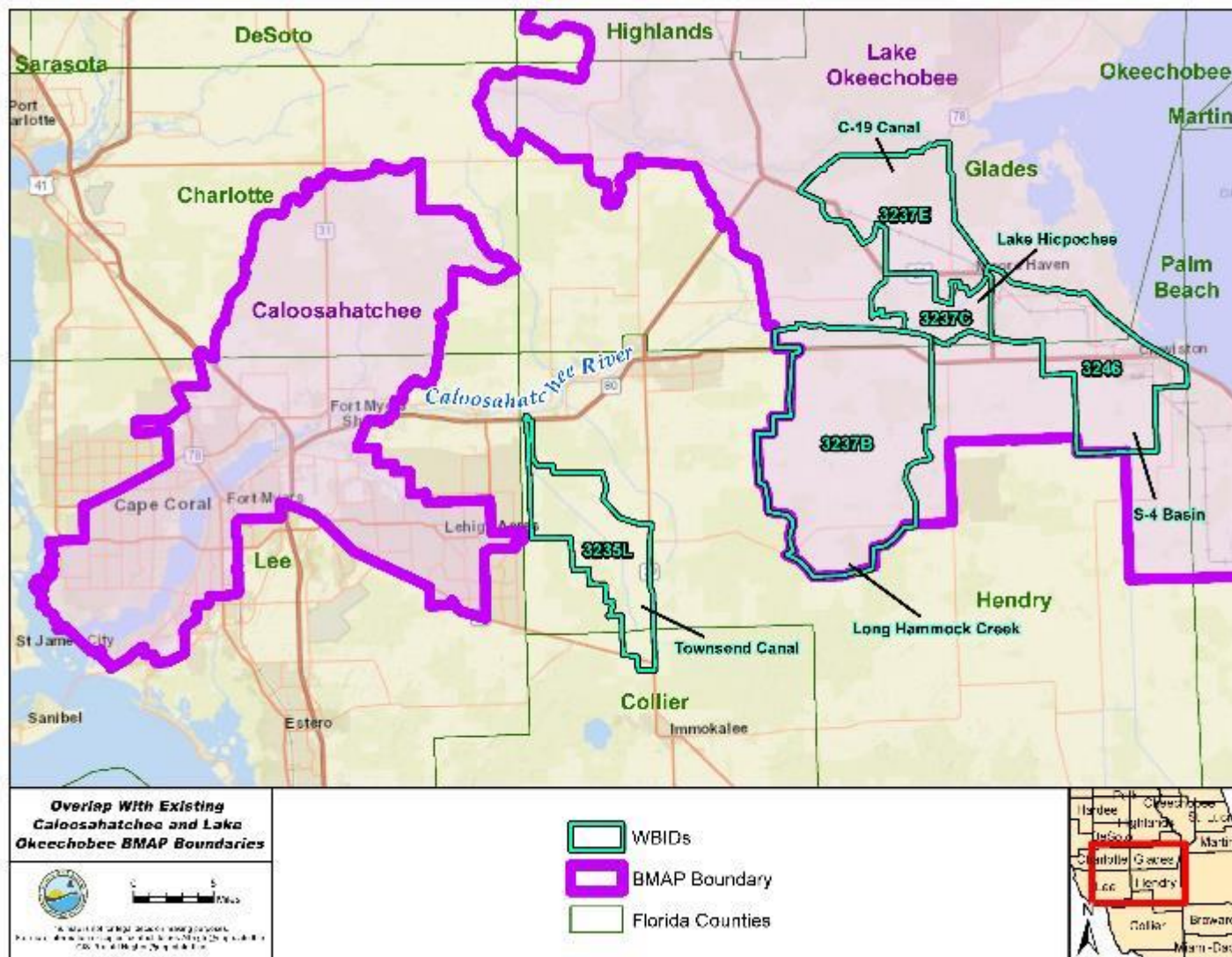
Final TMDL Loads & Percent Reductions



Waterbody (WBID)	Parameter	TMDL (maximum 7-year average load in lbs)	WLA Wastewater (% reduction)	WLA NPDES Stormwater % reduction	LA (% reduction)
S-4 Basin (3246)	TN	430,844	NA	NA	23
S-4 Basin (3246)	TP	28,622	NA	NA	27
S-4 Basin (3246)	BOD	664,946	NA	NA	28
C-19 Canal (3237E)	TN	78,114	NA	NA	48
C-19 Canal (3237E)	TP	5,167	NA	NA	48
C-19 Canal (3237E)	BOD	186,354	NA	NA	48
Lake Hicpochee (3237C)	TN	4,175,743	NA	NA	2
Lake Hicpochee (3237C)	TP	227,423	NA	NA	2
Lake Hicpochee (3237C)	BOD	5,768,701	NA	NA	3
Long Hammock Creek (3237B)	TN	330,381	NA	NA	42
Long Hammock Creek (3237B)	TP	25,384	NA	NA	42
Long Hammock Creek (3237B)	BOD	773,946	NA	NA	42
Townsend Canal (3235L)	TN	300,564	NA	37	37
Townsend Canal (3235L)	TP	28,749	NA	38	38
Townsend Canal (3235L)	BOD	673,151	NA	37	37



Existing Caloosahatchee Estuary and Lake Okeechobee BMAP Boundaries





Using a Computer Water-Quality Model to Derive Numeric Nutrient Criteria in Large Rivers

William Howard George



Approaches to Criteria Development and Past Model

- ▶ Reference/Statistical Approaches
- ▶ Predictive empirical relationships that link nutrients with specified water quality endpoints
- ▶ Process-based computer simulation models
- ▶ 2013 Qual2K Nutrient Model on 233 km segment of Lower Yellowstone River in Eastern Montana.

Qual2K - Applicability

▶ Process Based

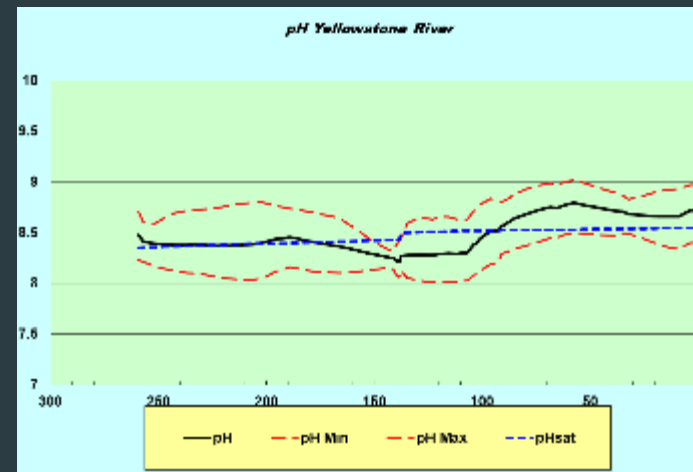
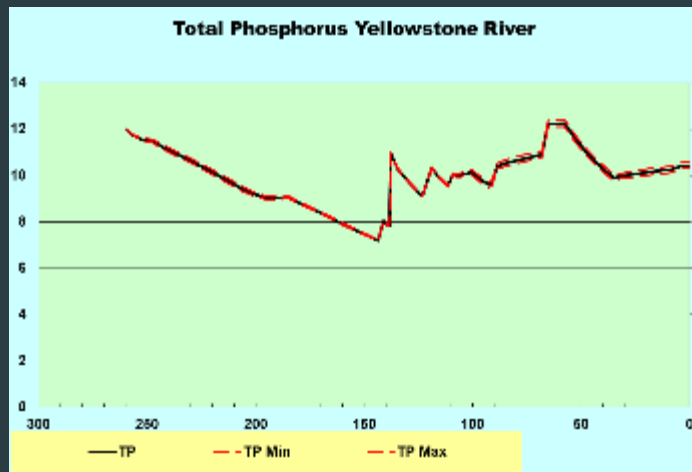
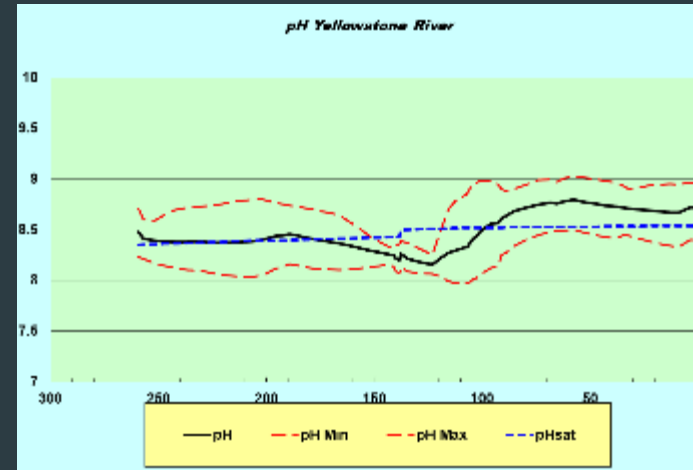
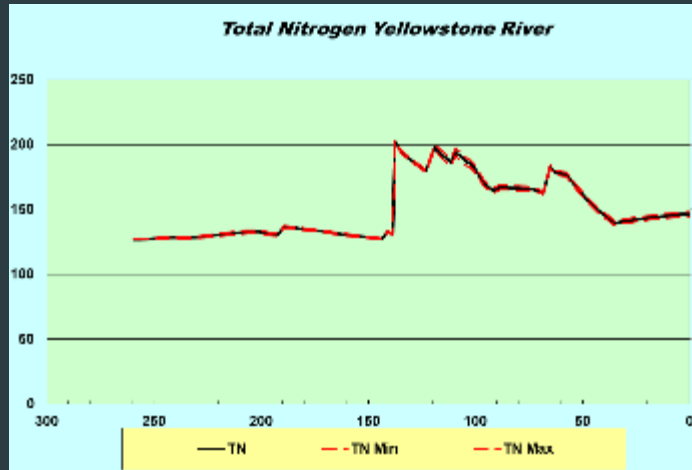
- ▶ Simulates state variables in well mixed (vertically and laterally) streams and rivers

- ▶ Temp, DO, SC, N (all species), P (all Species), Phytoplankton, Benthic Algae, pH, alkalinity, ISS, CBOD

- ▶ Handles multiple dischargers, withdrawals, tributaries, etc.

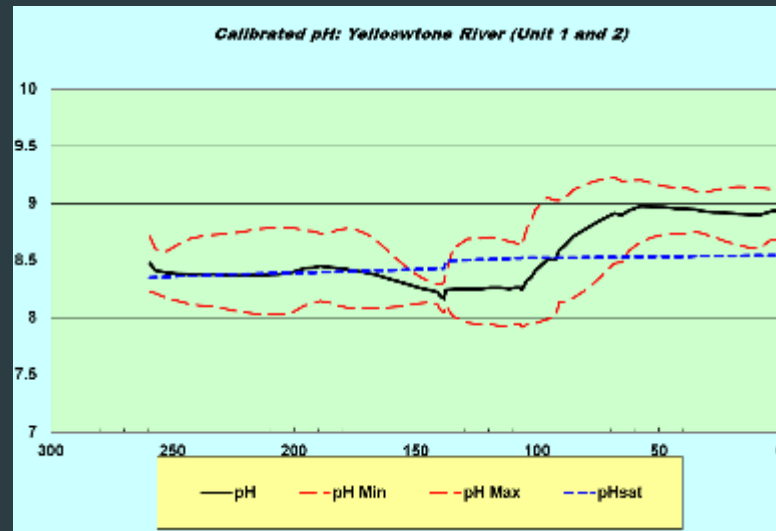
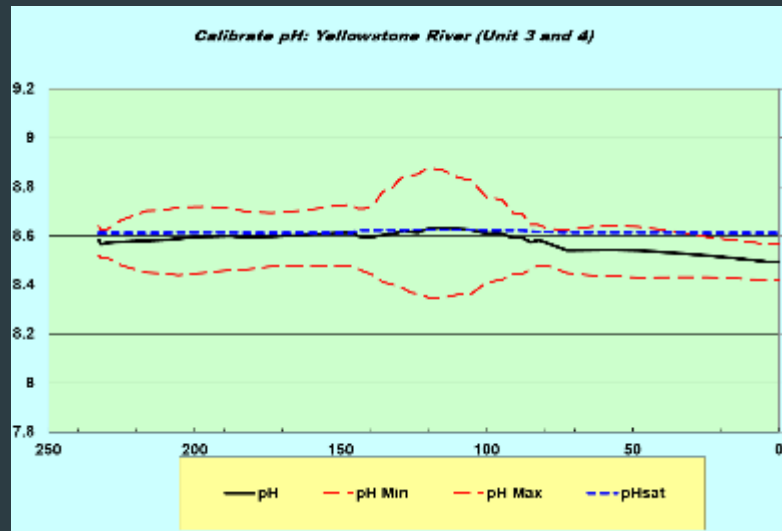
▶ Steady-state 1-d

Qual2k - Model Outline/Preliminary Results



Qual2K - Moving Forward/Unique Problems

- ▶ AT2K modelling still to occur
- ▶ Low Alkalinity/TSS
- ▶ Unit 1 exceeding pH standards (Class 1 pH limit 8.5)
- ▶ High Groundwater NO3 levels in Clarks Fork
- ▶ Low assimilative capacity/points sources already exceeding pH standards



Thank you. Questions?

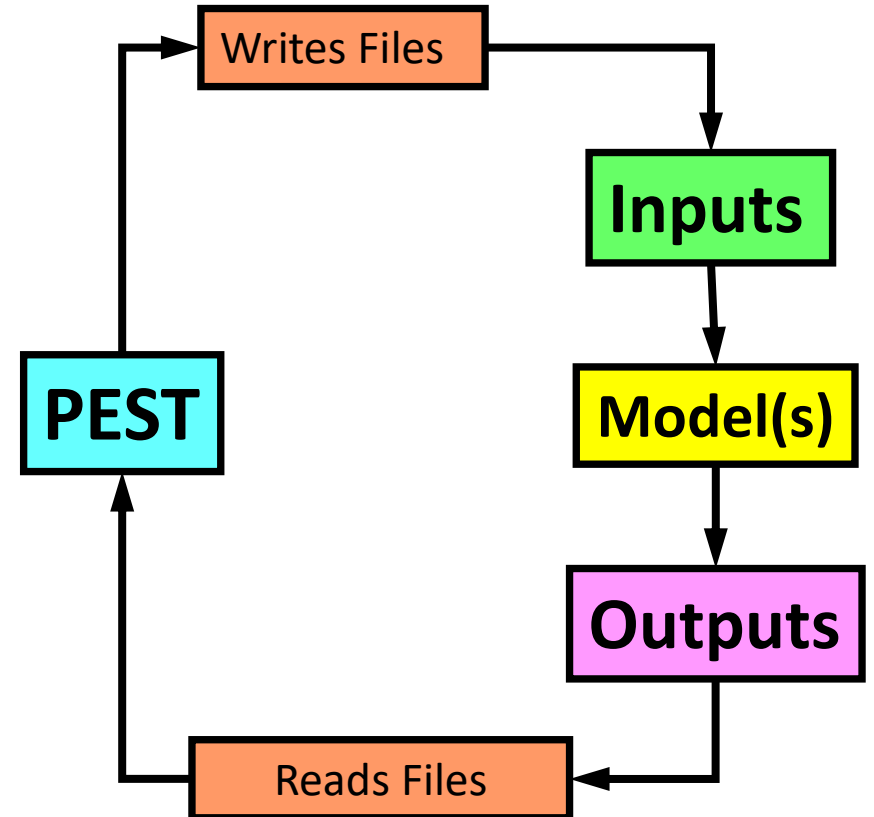
Using PEST to Support Oregon Midcoast TMDL Development

- Oregon Midcoast Region: Temperate, wet, largely non-point source
- TMDLs in development:
 - Dissolved oxygen – Nutrient, light/heat
 - Temperature – Solar driven energy budget
 - Bacteria – Cattle and on-site inputs
- Models and methods used:
 - HSPF
 - QUAL2Kw
 - Heat Source
 - Statistical models
 - Load Duration Curves



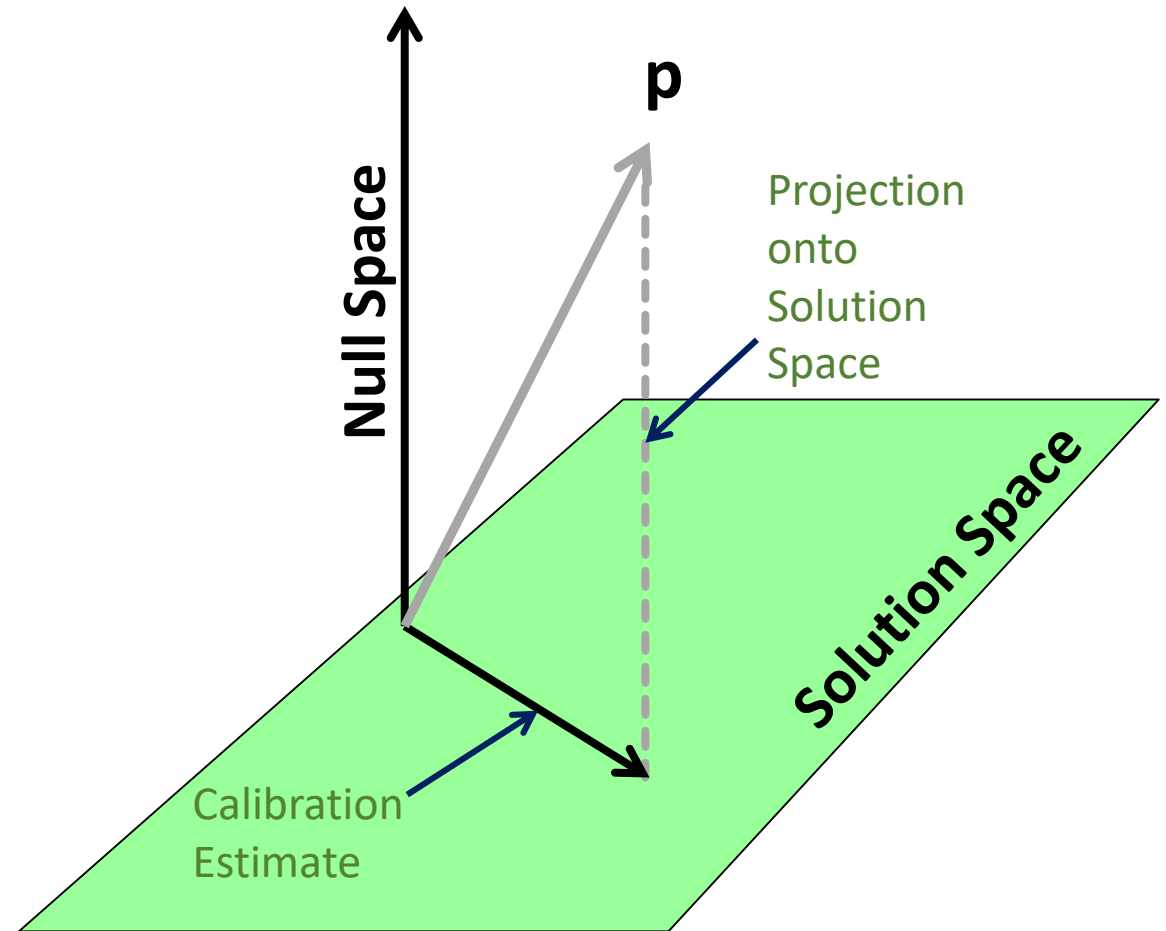
Using PEST to Support Oregon Midcoast TMDL Development

- PEST stands for Parameter Estimation Tool, but it does so much more
- Developed by John Doherty, though many have had a hand in its progress to date
- PEST is model independent—it can be used for any type of numeric model or suite of integrated models
- Achieves solution to ill-posed problems through inverse methods



Using PEST to Support Oregon Midcoast TMDL Development

- Model parameterization (Calibration) – PEST provides a systematic, reproducible, and transparent way of arriving at a “unique” solution with minimized error
- Pre and post calibration analysis:
 - Solution space/null space
 - Parameter identifiability
 - Parameter uncertainty
 - Observation worth



Parameter Identifiability

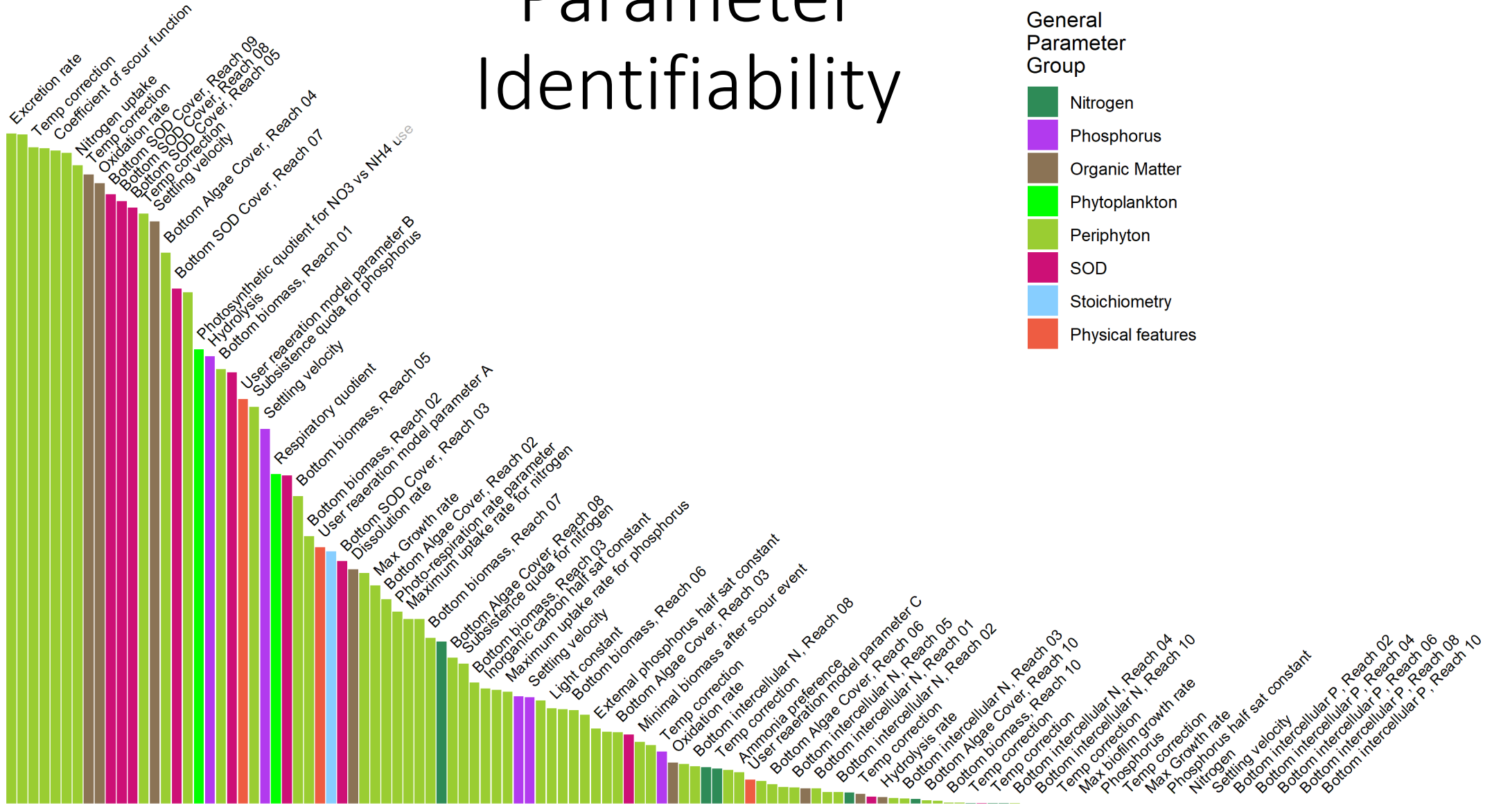
Parameter Identifiability

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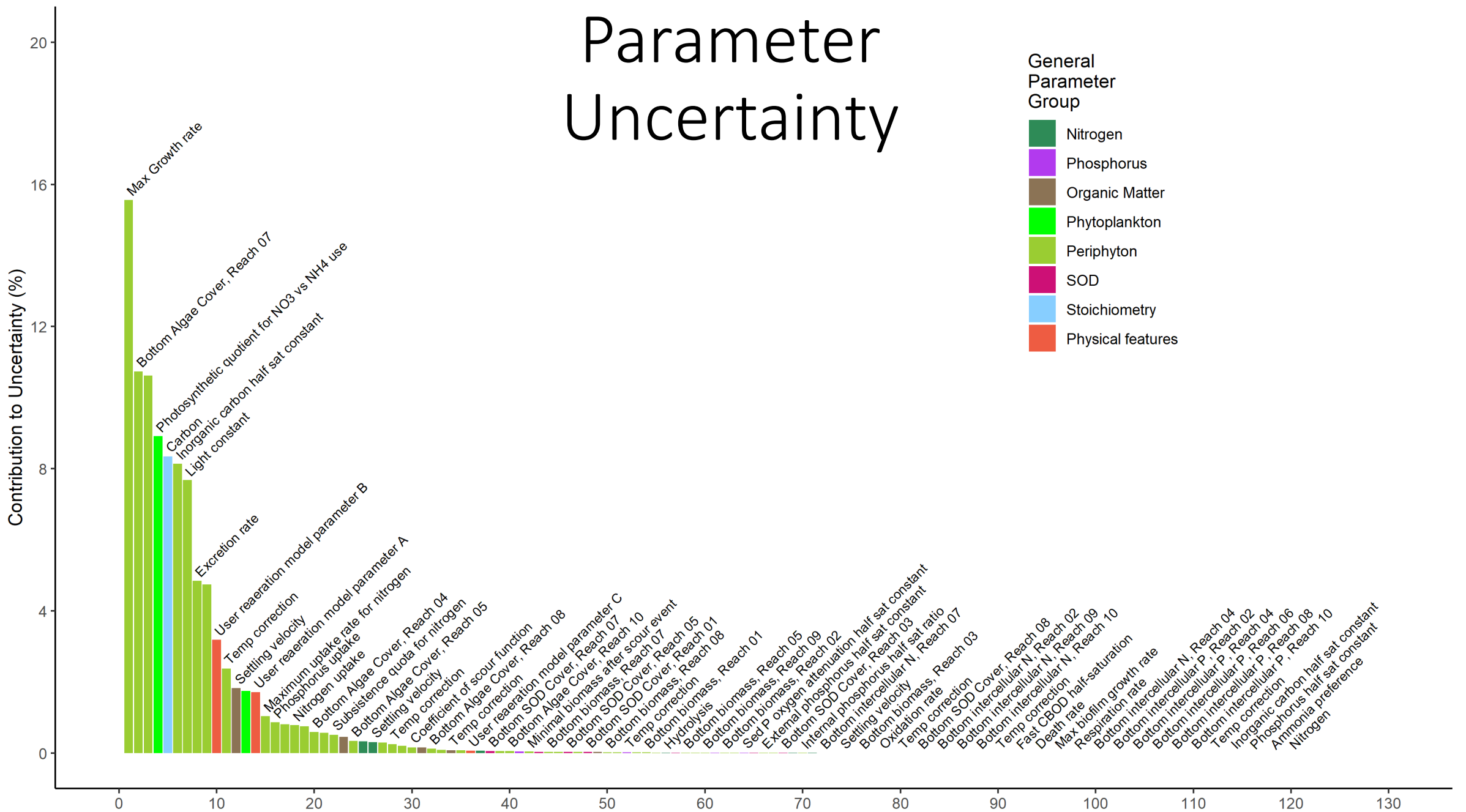
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General
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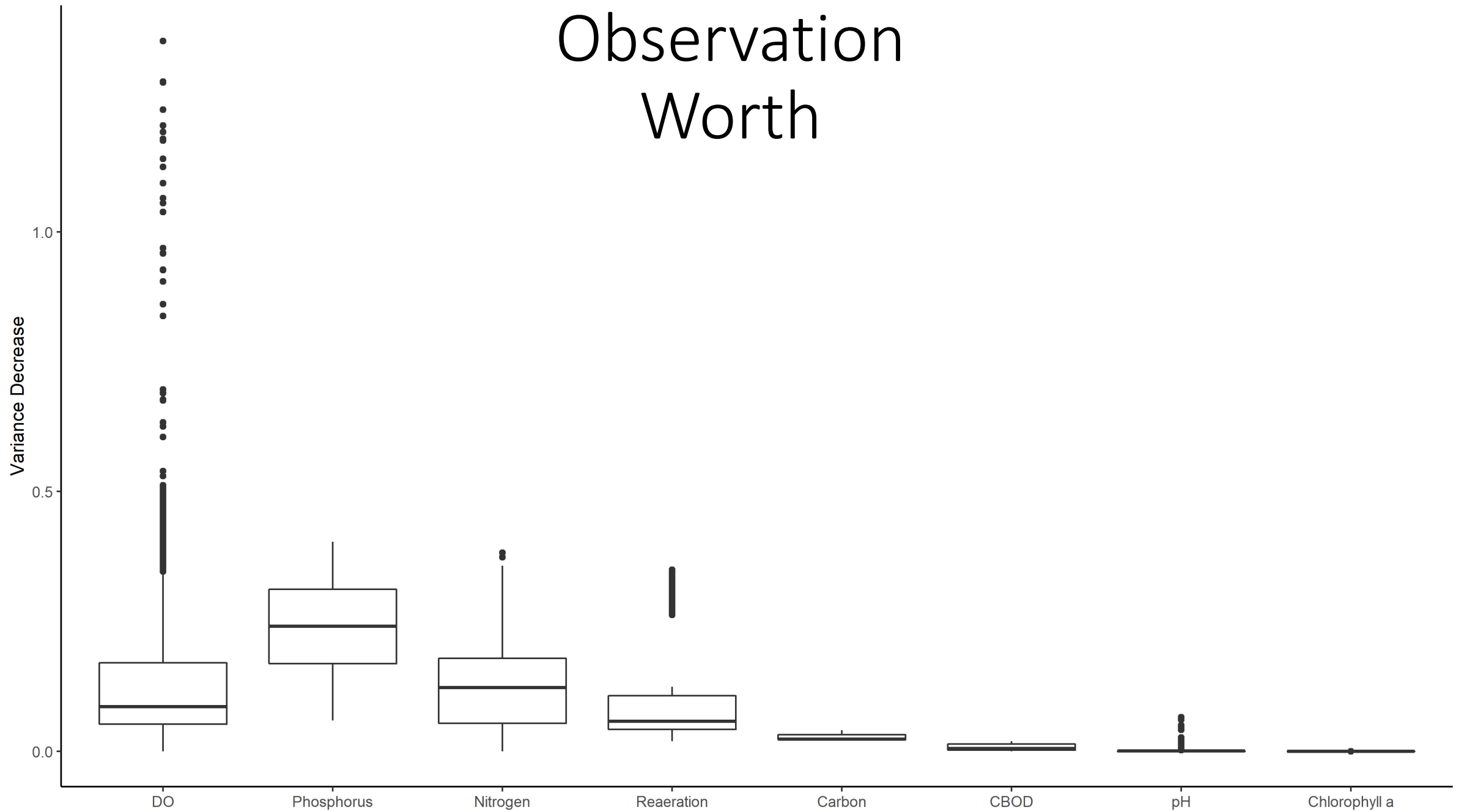
- Nitrogen
- Phosphorus
- Organic Matter
- Phytoplankton
- Periphyton
- SOD
- Stoichiometry
- Physical features



Parameter Uncertainty



Observation Worth





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Utah Lake Nutrient Model

Nicholas von Stackelberg
EPA TMDL Workshop 5/28/2020



Utah Lake Background

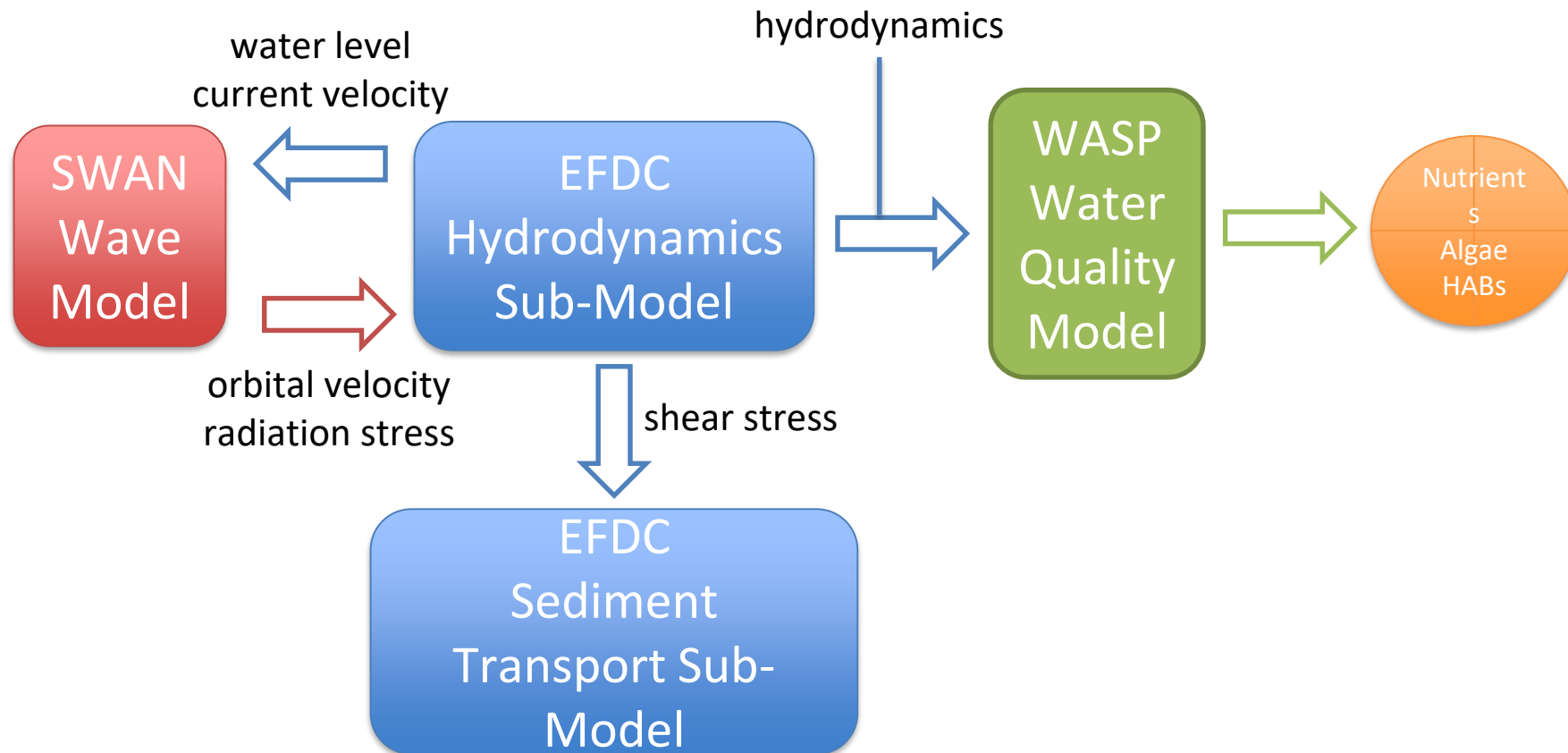
- **Large and shallow lake**
 - 380 km² and 3.2 m mean depth
 - Reservoir managed for irrigation water supply - “fill and spill”
- **Water quality characteristics**
 - Turbid with low transparency
 - Nutrient rich with algal blooms
 - Listed as impaired for harmful algal blooms
- **Important considerations**
 - Sediment resuspension due to wind/waves
 - Light attenuation due to turbidity
 - Wetting/drying of shallow bays
 - High phosphorus retention in sediments
 - Bioturbation by carp



Model Objectives

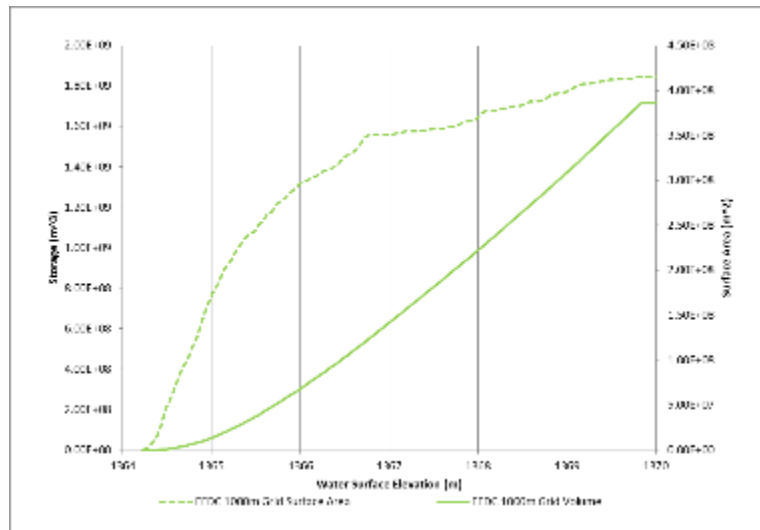
- 1) Numeric nutrient criteria development
- 2) Nutrient load allocation
- 3) Lake restoration

Utah Lake Nutrient Model Framework

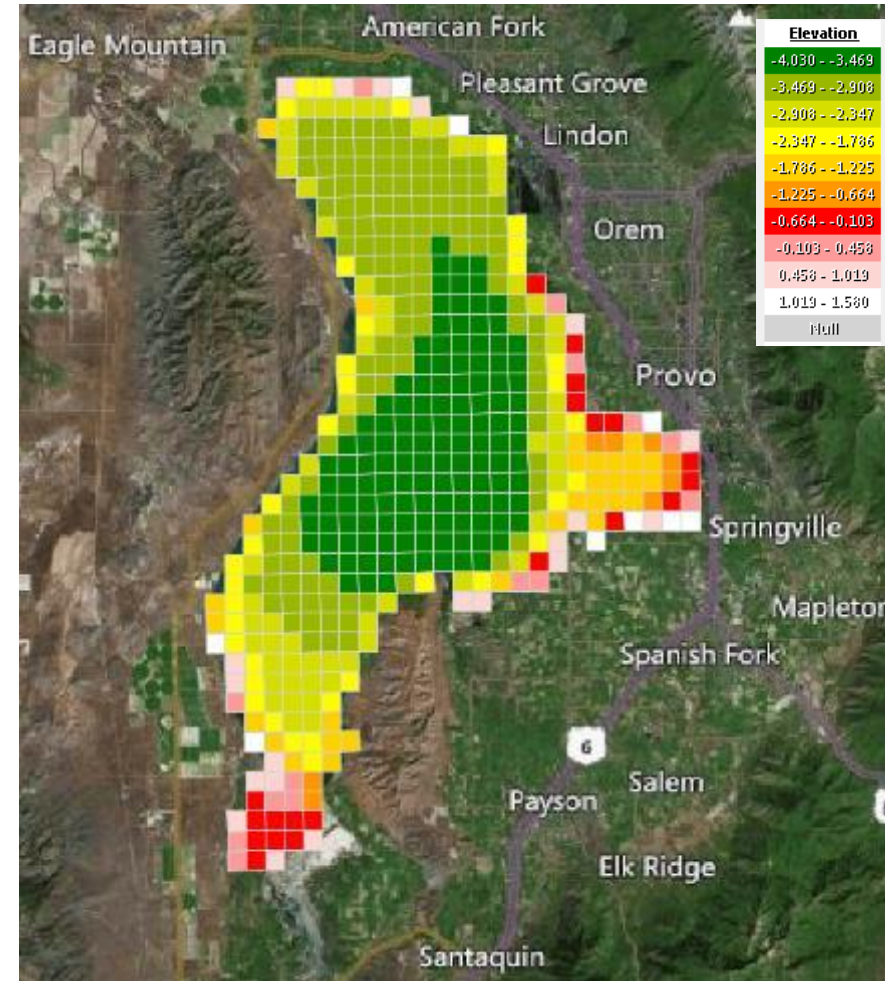


Model Structure

- Cartesian grid
- 1,000 m x 1,000 m cell size
- 452 cells
- 3 vertical layers
Variable depth (sigma stretched)



Stage-Surface Area-Storage



Bathymetry

Model State Variables (Water Column)

EFDC

- Flow
 - Depth
 - Velocity
 - Shear Stress
- Water Temperature
- *Inorganic Solids (3 classes)

•* *Constituent not output to WASP*

WASP

Ammonia [NH₃ / NH₄⁺]

Nitrate [NO₂⁻ + NO₃⁻]

Dissolved Inorganic Phosphate

[H₂PO₄⁻ / HPO₄⁻ / PO₄²⁻]

Dissolved Oxygen

Solids (3 classes)

- Sand, silt, clay

Water Temperature (from WASP)

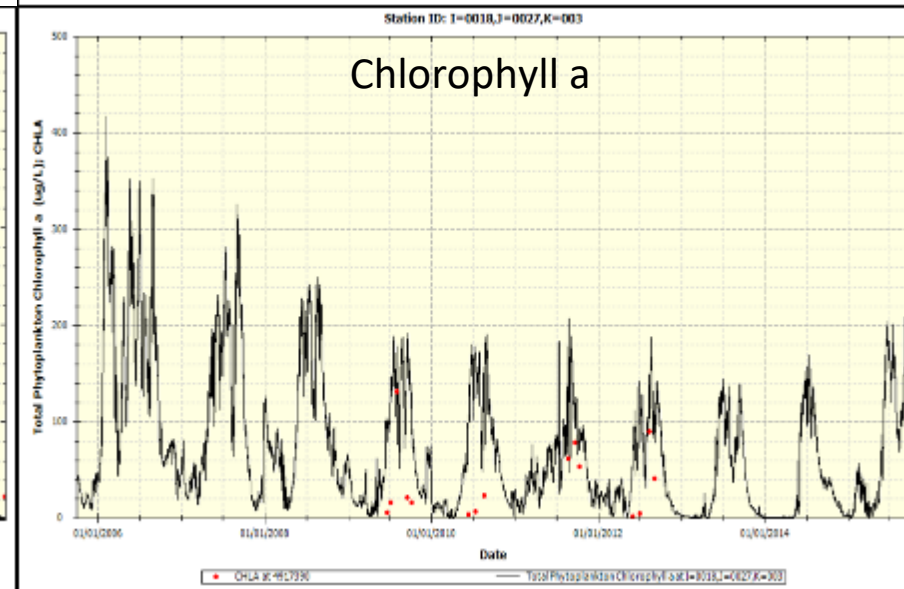
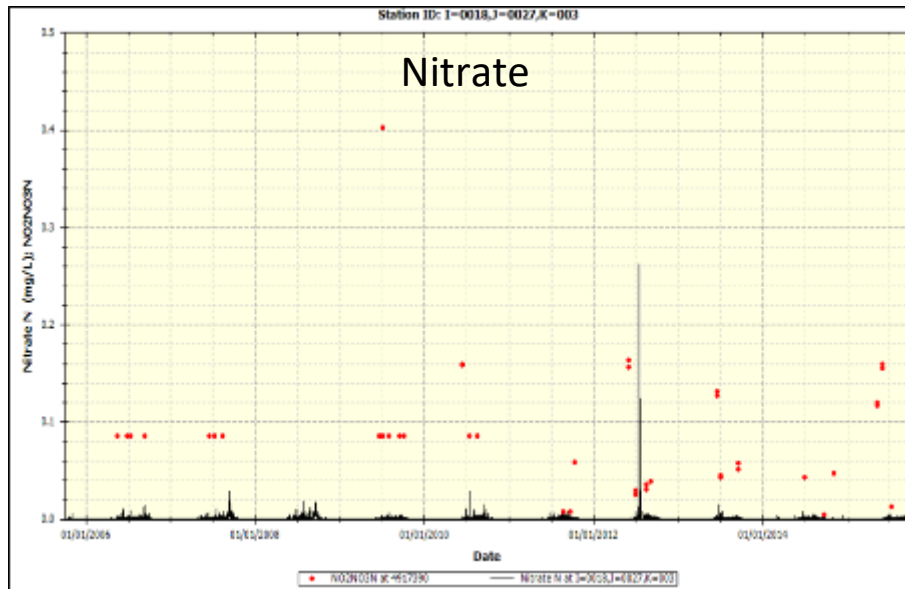
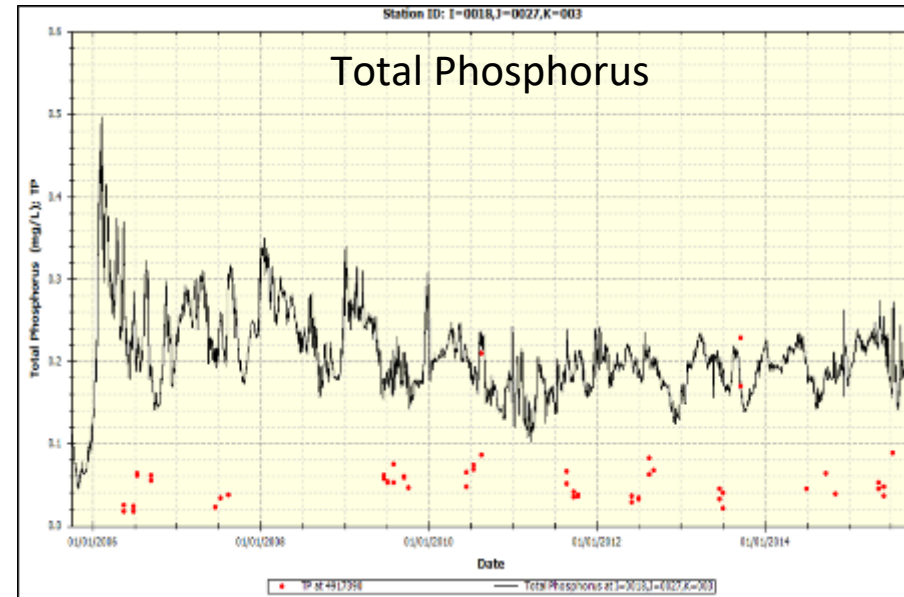
Alkalinity (not implemented yet)

pH (not implemented yet)

- **Phytoplankton (4 classes)**
 - Diatoms (*Bacillariophyta*)
 - Green Algae as Phytoplankton
 - Cyanobacteria (*Aphanizomenon gracile*)
 - Cyanobacteria (*Synechococcus*; *Not Nitrogen-fixed*)
- Periphyton
- Particulate Organic Matter (POM)
 - Particulate Organic Carbon (POC)
 - Particulate Organic Nitrogen (PON)
 - Particulate Organic Phosphorus (POP)
- Dissolved Organic Matter
 - CBOD Ultimate (1 class)
 - Dissolved Organic Nitrogen (DON)
 - Dissolved Organic Phosphorus (DOP)

Model Calibration

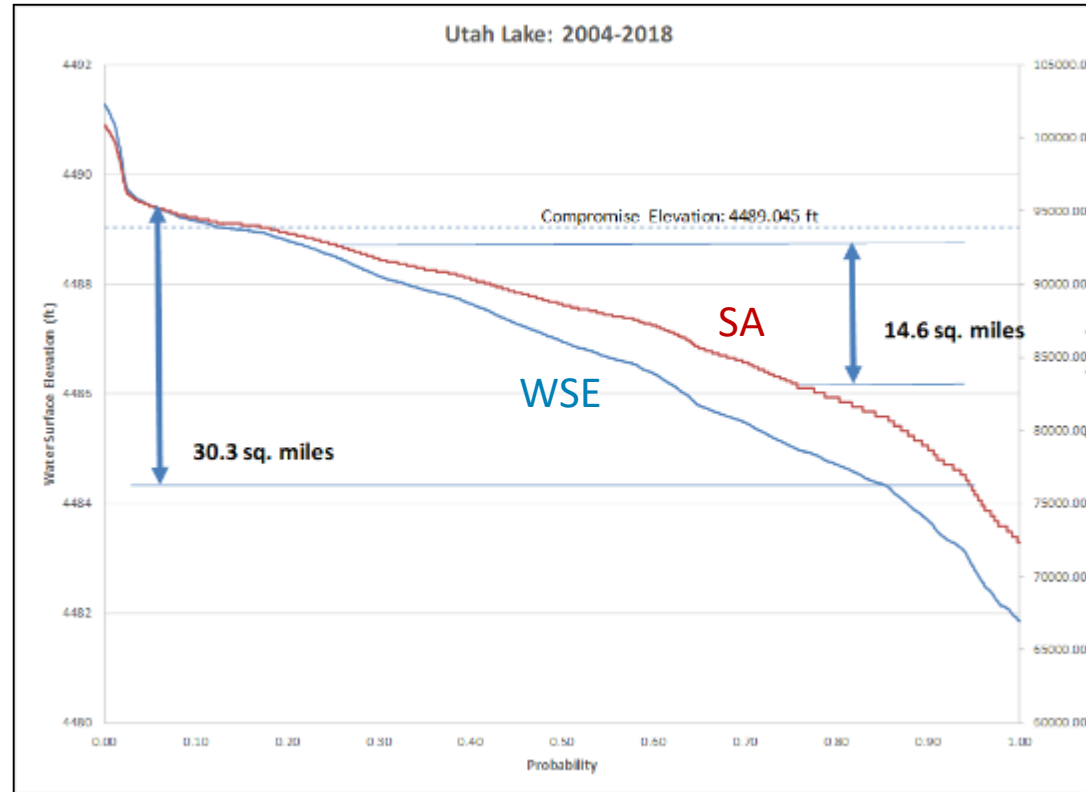
- Preliminary (Complete)
 - Water Year 2006-2015
- Refinement (Ongoing)
 - Water Year 2009-2013



Wetting/Drying

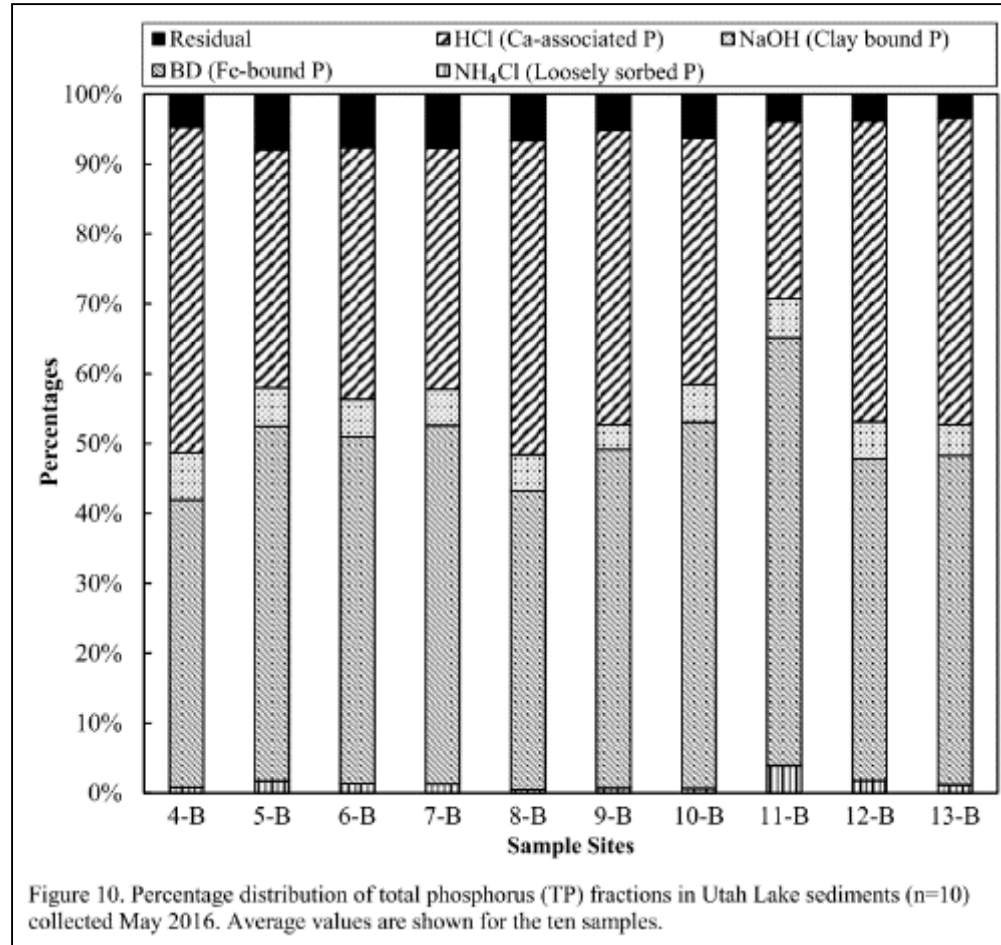


- Biogeochemical processes?
- Standard sediment diagenesis formulation apply?
- WASP run times



Phosphorus Retention in Sediments

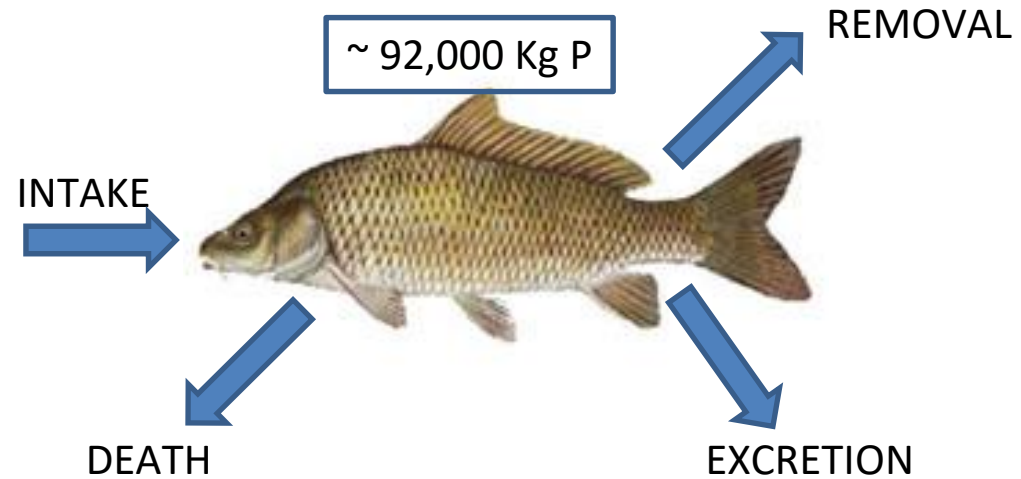
- ~25-50% P bound to Ca minerals
 - Stable under alkaline lake conditions
 - How to model calcite formation and incorporation of P?
- ~40-60% P bound to Fe minerals
 - Highly labile
 - Redox sensitive – can be released under anoxic conditions



Source: Randall 2017

Carp

- **Nutrient cycling**
 - Carp removal project
- **Bioturbation**
 - Sediment resuspension
 - Macrophyte reestablishment
- **Model**
 - Separate food web model
 - Describe or predict carp?



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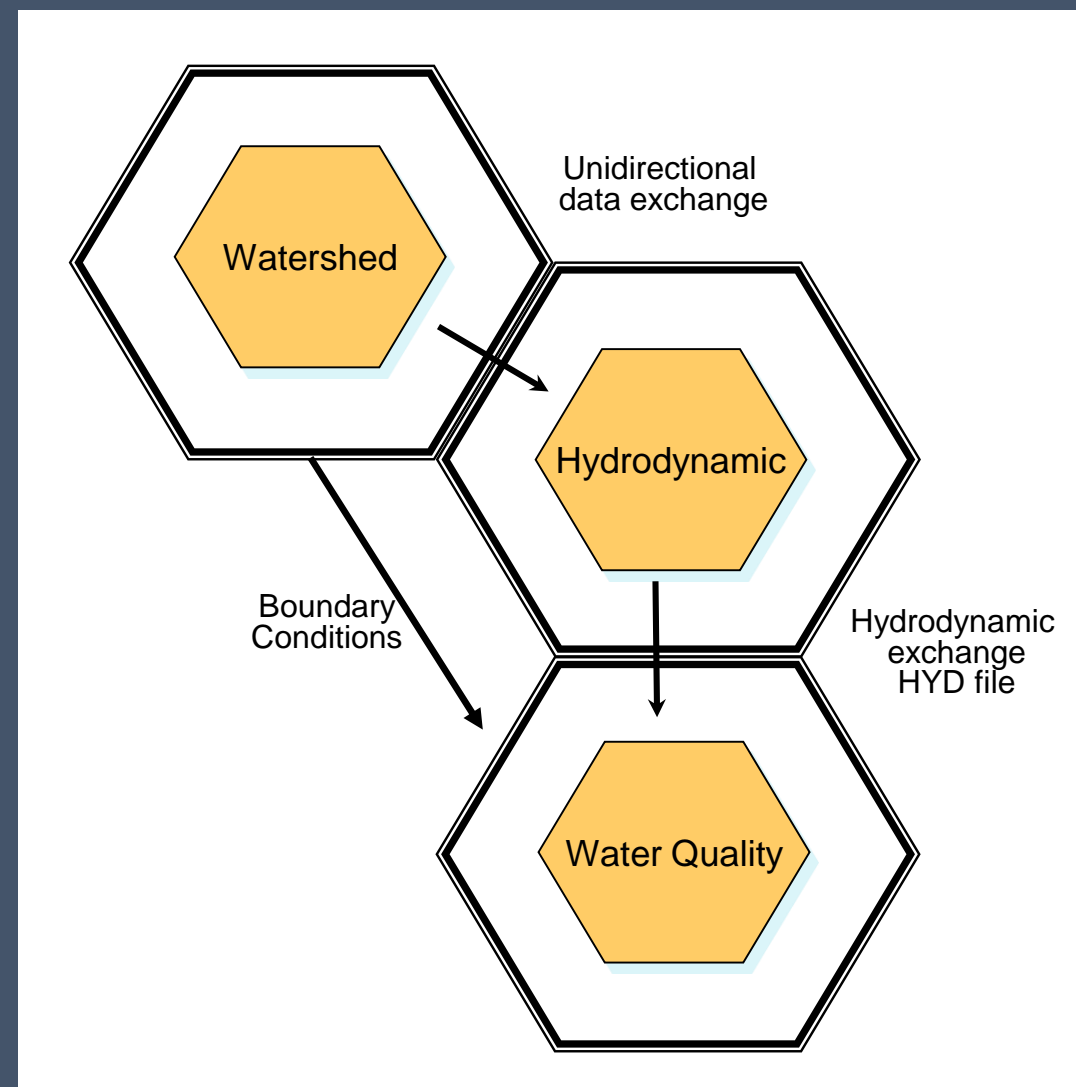
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EPA Region 4 Modeling Approach

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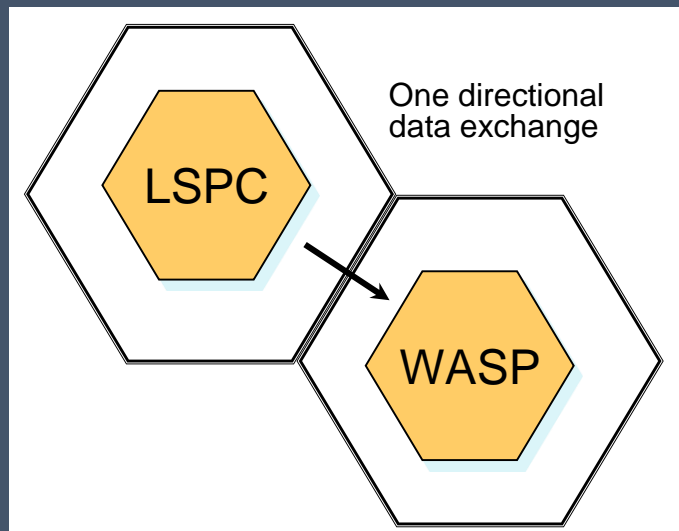
Overview of nutrient modeling

- Whole watershed approach
- Linked models
 - Watershed
 - Hydrodynamic (estuaries & lakes)
 - Water quality
- Multi-year continuous simulation
 - 6 – 10 years
- Models used for:
 - TMDL load calculations
 - NPDES permit limits
 - Numeric nutrient criteria



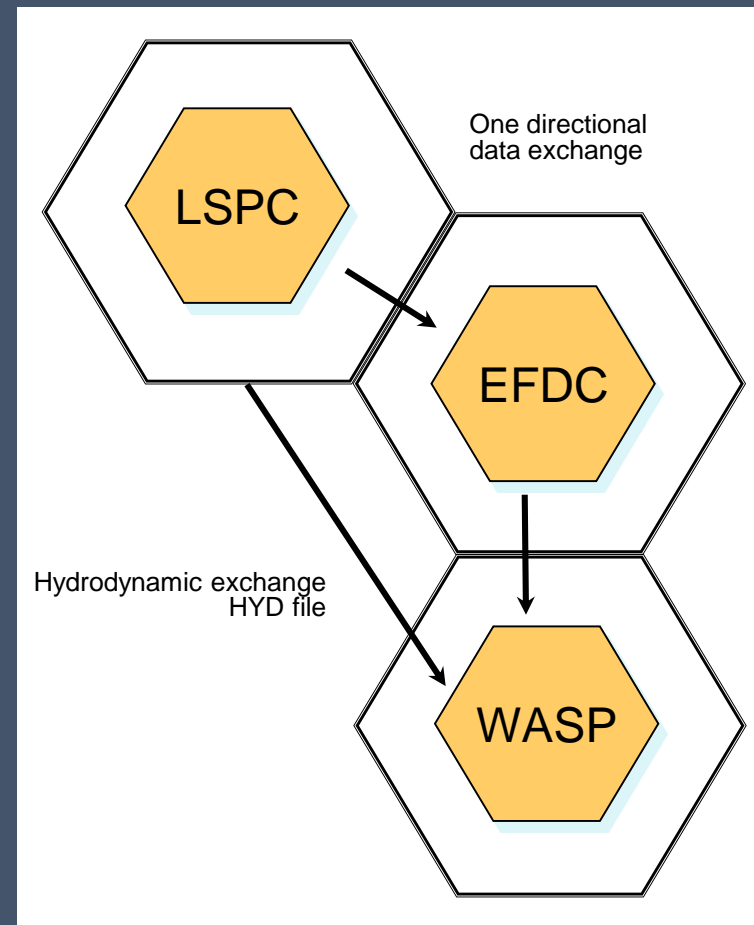
Model configuration: Riverine

- Two-model system to represent water quality in riverine systems
 - LSPC simulates watershed loadings
 - WASP simulates instream water quality response

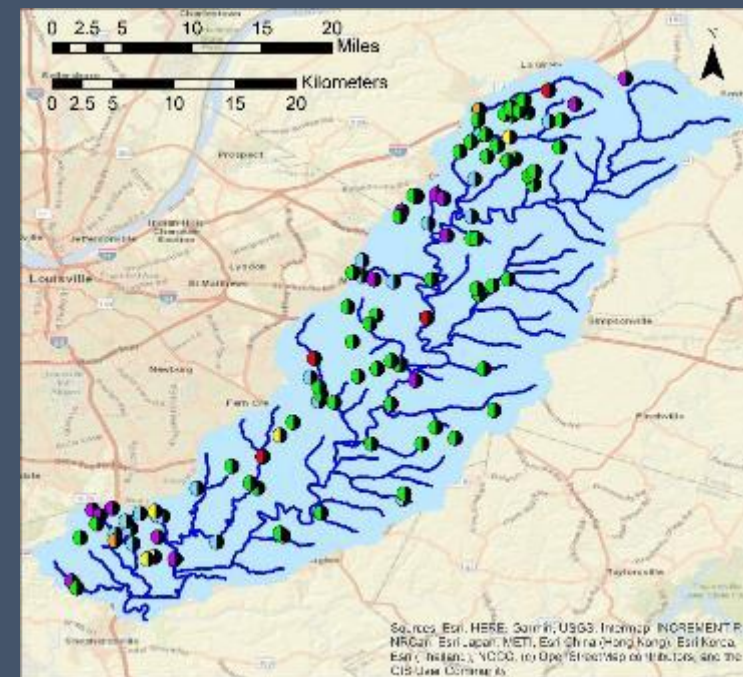
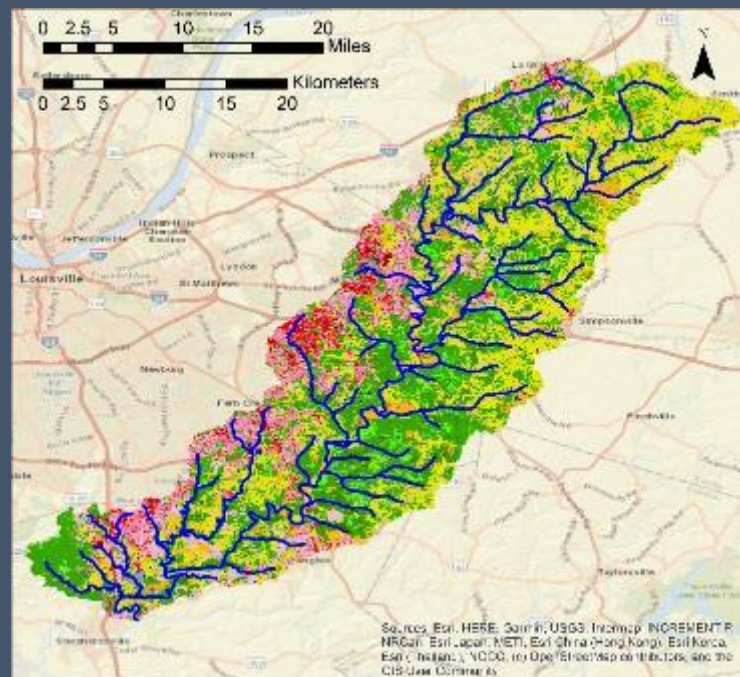
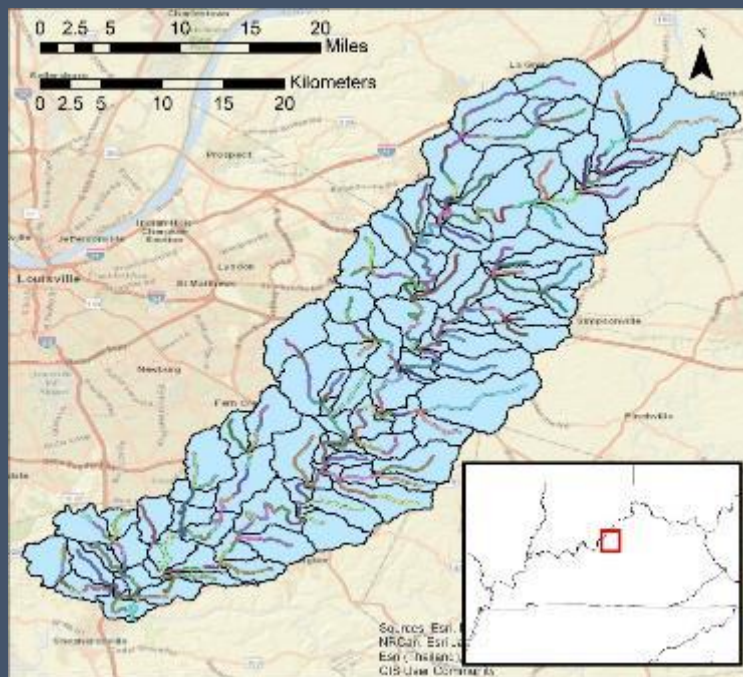


Model configuration: Lakes/Estuaries

- Three-model system to represent water quality in lakes and estuaries
 - LSPC simulates watershed loadings
 - EFDC simulates hydrodynamics
 - WASP simulates water quality response



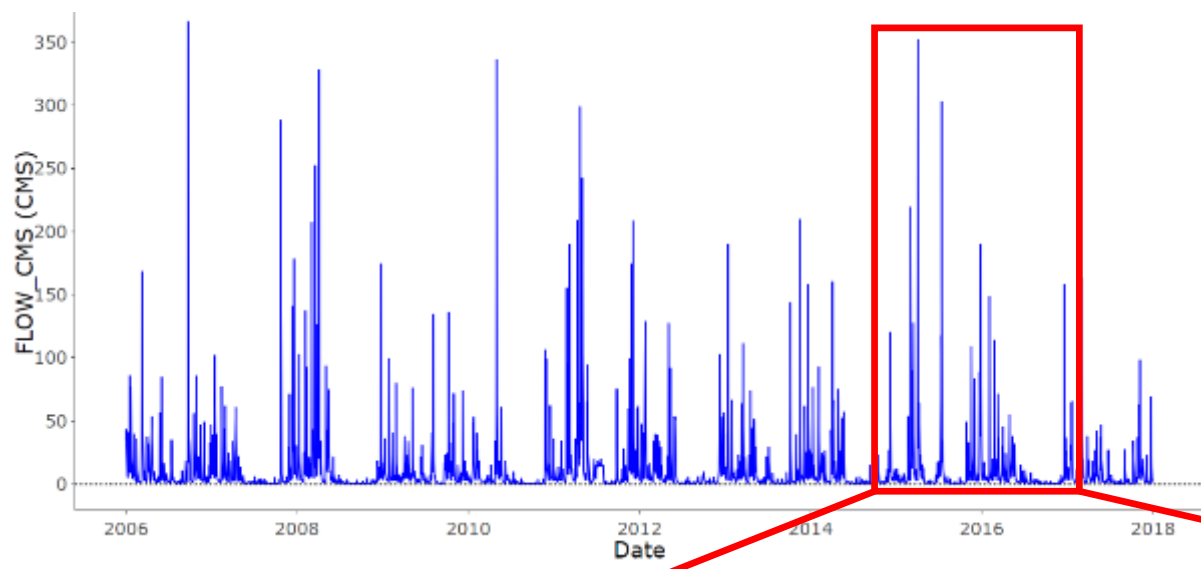
Example linked LSPC/WASP model



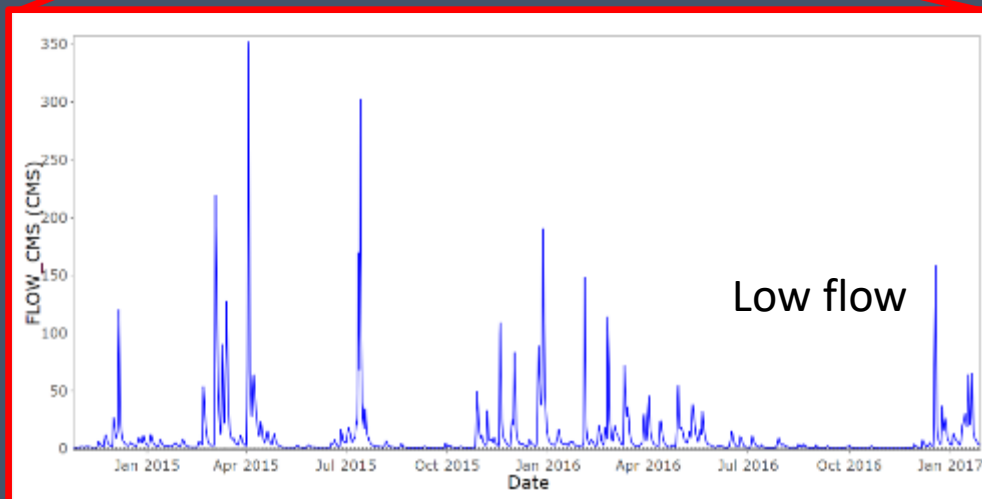
- 285 square mile watershed
- Mix of forested/urban/agricultural land use
- 120 LSPC subbasins & 181 WASP stream segments
- ~80 point sources

Multi-year comparison: Hydrology

High flow



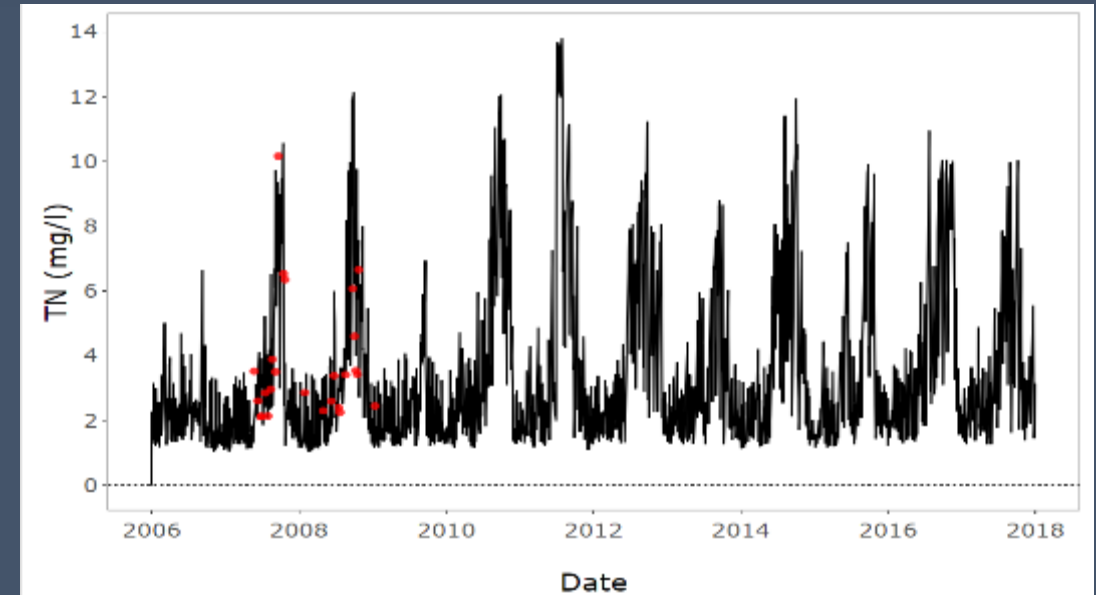
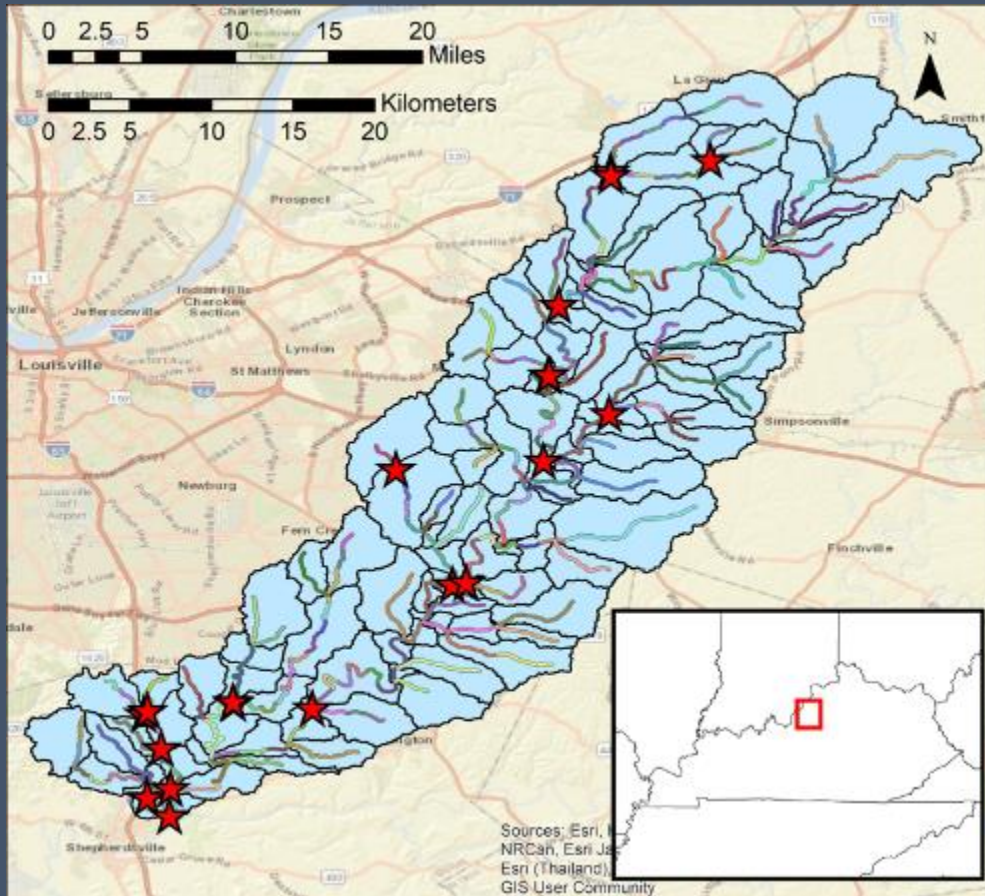
- Multi-year simulations capture high and low-flow conditions



- Varying meteorological conditions

Model objectives: Assessment points

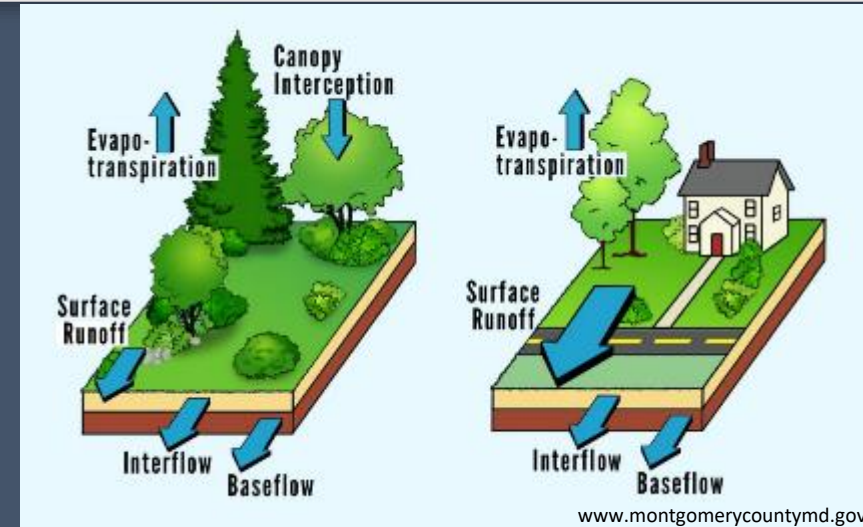
- Calibrated model can interpolate data gaps
 - Spatially / Temporally



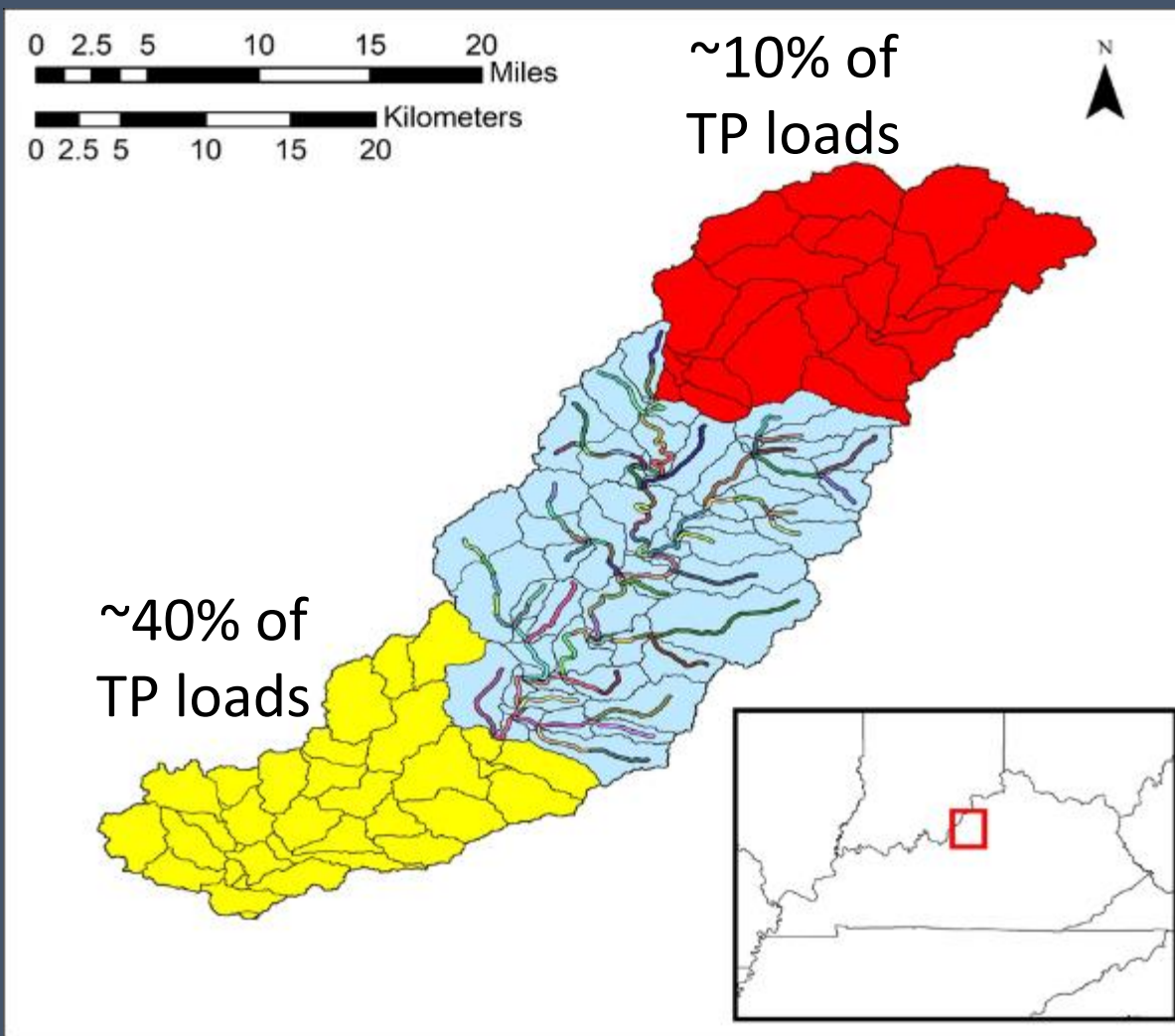
- Predict / evaluate conditions
 - Across watershed
 - At low flow / critical conditions
- Assess endpoints that vary spatially
 - Headwater vs. Wadable vs. Boatable

Model objectives: Scenario runs

- Extrapolate to novel environmental conditions
 - Current conditions
 - Natural conditions (no anthropogenic inputs)
 - TMDL conditions
 - Low-flow critical conditions
 - BMP implementation / evaluation



Model objectives: Load assessment



- Identify spatial distribution of nutrient loads
- Identify new monitoring locations
- Inform monitoring plans