



2018 Water Policy Institute

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**National Governors Association
Center for Best Practices**



Opening Remarks

**Sue Gander, Director, Environment, Energy, & Transportation,
National Governors Association Center for Best Practices**



Welcome Remarks

The Honorable Edmund G. 'Jerry' Brown

Governor of California

Co-Chair, National Governors Association Water Policy Learning Network



State Introductions

Bevin Buchheister, National Governors Association

Introduce yourself, a key water policy issue you have worked on, and one issue you'd like to learn more about





Transforming the Water Sector Through Technology & Innovation

Albert Cho

Vice President of Strategy & Business Development

Xylem, Inc.



Transforming Water through Technology and Innovation

National Governors Association Water Policy Institute

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Xylem – a global water technology company based in New York



WE ARE A WATER INDUSTRY LEADER WITH GLOBAL REACH ...

- Leading global water technology provider
- Approximately 16,800 global employees
- Headquarters: Rye Brook, NY; ~350 global locations
- Doing business in 150+ countries on 6 continents
- \$4.7 billion in combined sales in 2017

**...UNIQUELY POSITIONED TO HELP OUR PARTNERS
SOLVE THE WORLD'S WATER CHALLENGES**

Advanced Infrastructure Analytics to transform water management



Who we are

A new platform of **disruptive technologies** to help water utilities substantially reduce capital and operating costs by eliminating waste

What we do

We use **data analytics** to help utilities monitor, optimize and control condition and performance of water and wastewater networks

Our impact

We create **outsized economic and social benefits**, reducing non-revenue water and sewer overflows, and cutting capital and operating costs through predictive analytics and design optimization

Addressing water as a national security challenge

Four taps: a national solution

- Water catchments
- Water imports
- Reclaimed water
- Desalination

Could water be the issue that defines a leader's legacy?

1. Is the problem material?

2. Do people care?

3. Can anything be done?

Transforming water with technology

- **The call to action**
- Transformation opportunity
- What leaders can do

Image credit: WaterCanada



Vital signs: Our infrastructure is failing



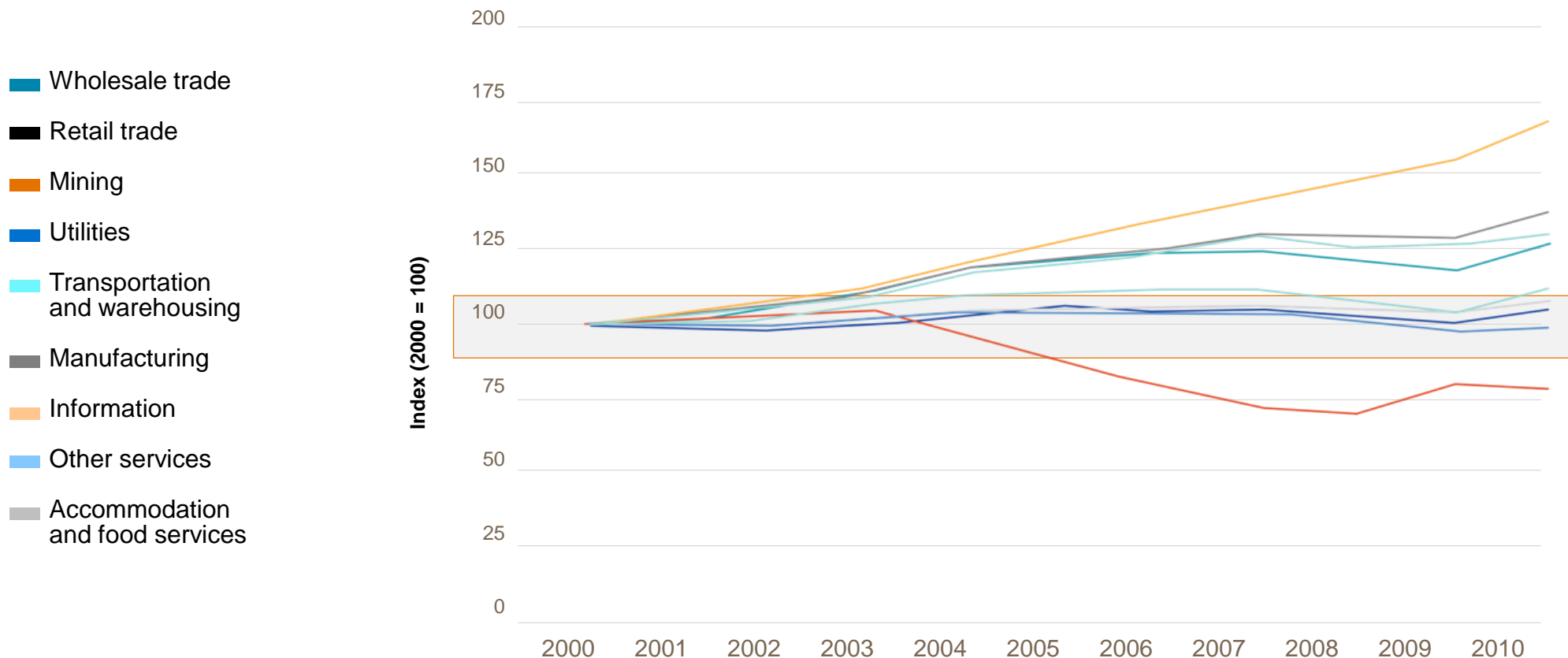
30 percent non-revenue water

240 thousand water main breaks

850 billion gallons of raw sewage released

Utilities are no more productive today than they were in 2000

Changes in output per hour by sector, 2000–2010



Source: NewWorld Capital Partners, US Bureau of Labor Statistics

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Meanwhile, America is facing a water affordability challenge

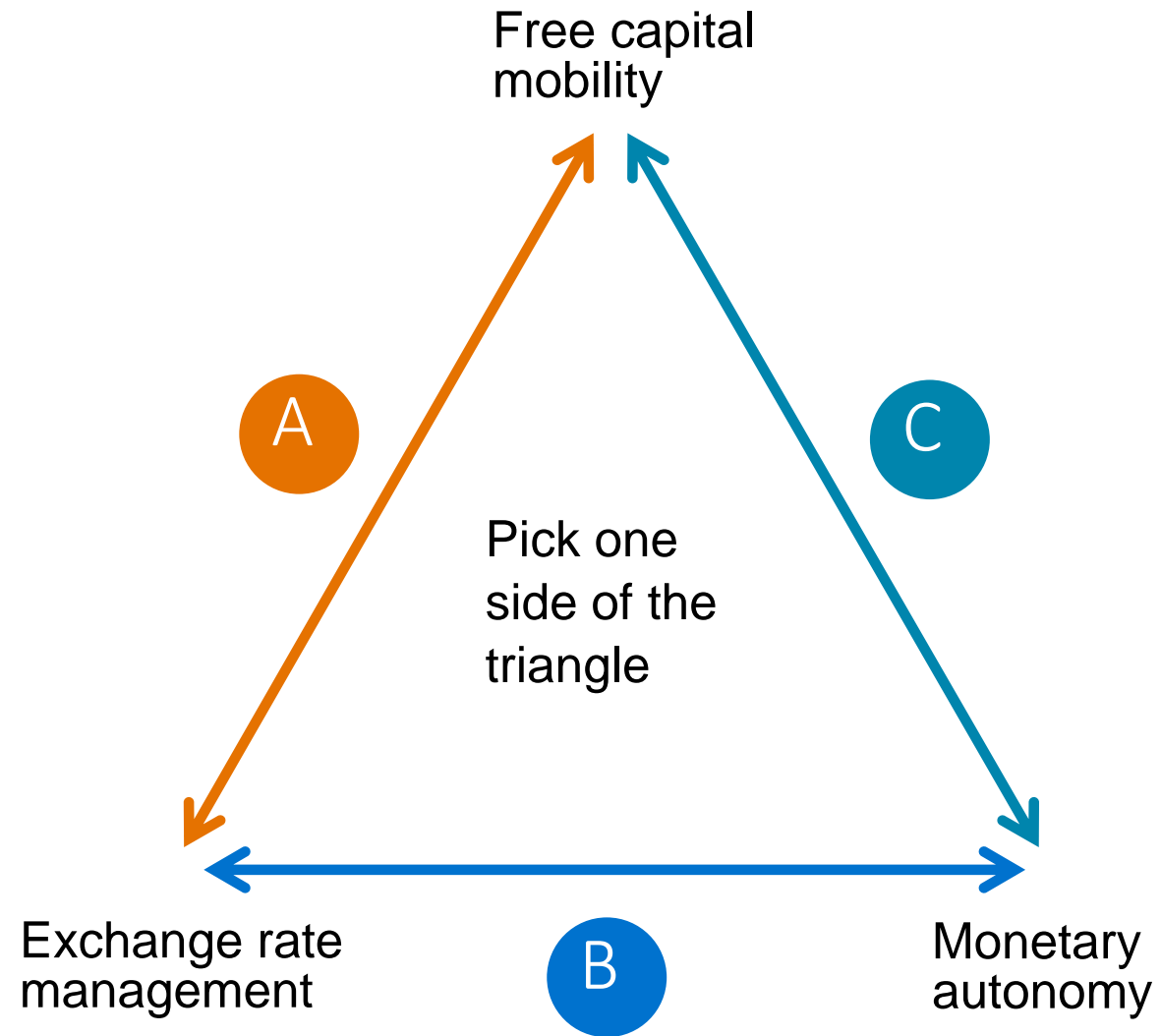
	2014 Water Rates	6% Rate Increase	41% Rate Increase
Annual water bill	\$1,440	\$1,526.40	\$2,030.40
Minimum annual income to afford water bill	\$32,000	\$33,920	\$45,120
Percent of households below affordability benchmark	11.9%	14.7%	35.6%



RESEARCH ARTICLE
**A Burgeoning Crisis?
A Nationwide
Assessment of the
Geography of Water
Affordability in the
United States**

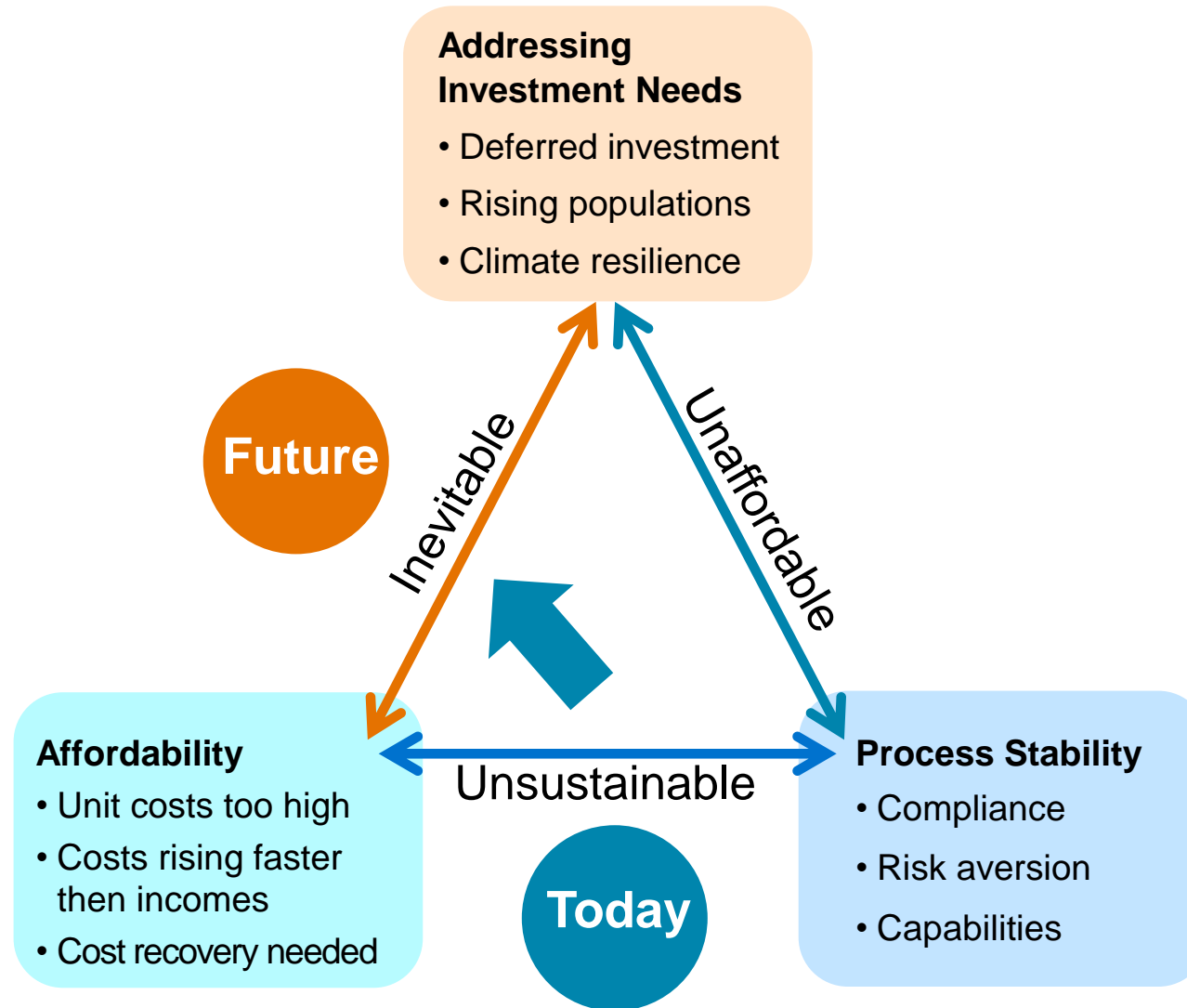
Elizabeth A. Mack, Sarah Wrase

Pick Two: The policy trilemma of international macroeconomics



Source: Economist

We have a policy trilemma too!



Support for investment in water infrastructure is strong

Third Annual Value of Water Index

Rebuilding America's infrastructure



Legal status for Dreamers



Defense funding



Repealing Obamacare



Building a wall



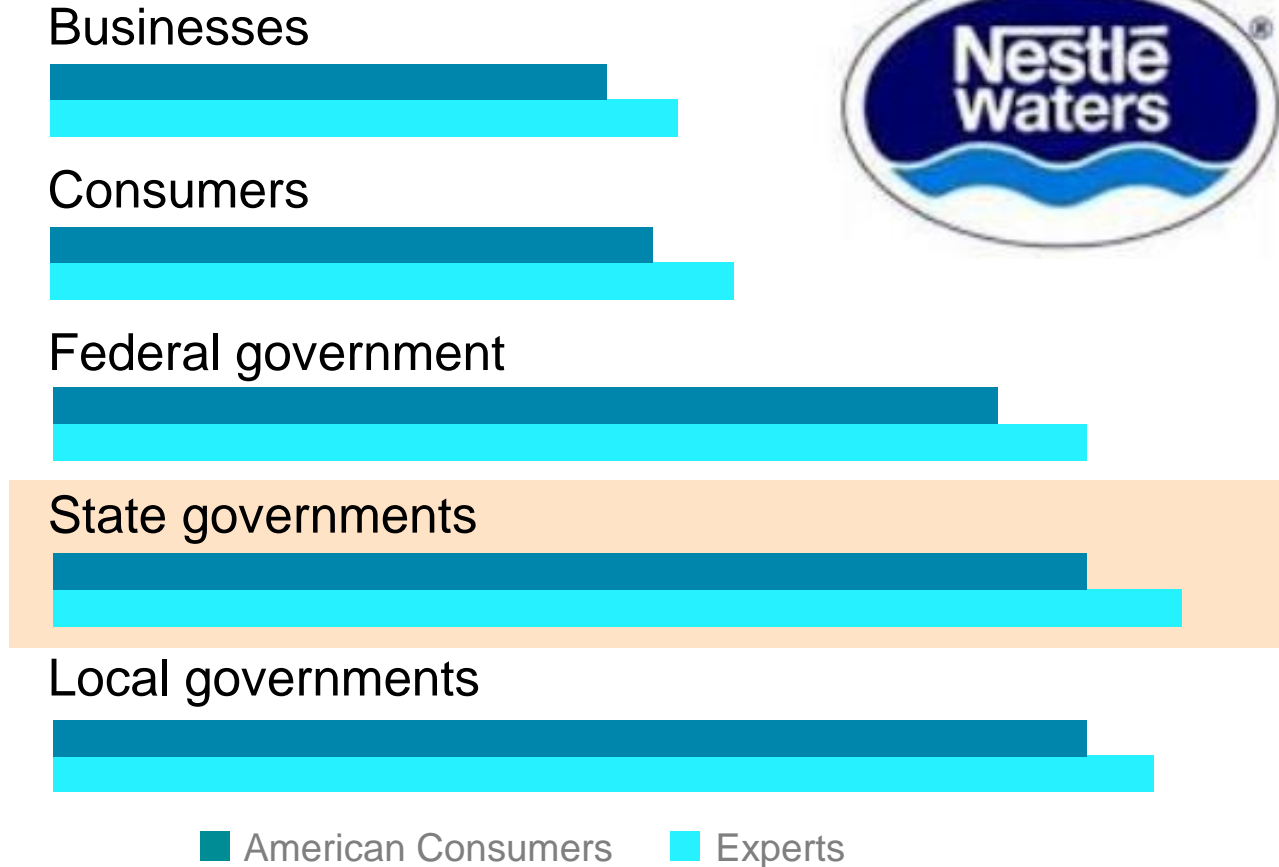
80%

Of Americans say investing in water infrastructure is more important than every other top Federal issue right now



thevalueofwater.org

The public wants state governments to act



Americans expect governments at all levels, businesses and a range of other entities to ensure access to clean drinking water – **but states face the highest expectations**

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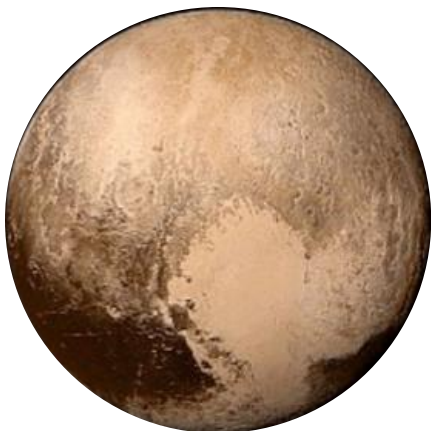


There are several sources of transformative potential in water

	Description	Example
Gains from Trade	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Exchanges between entities with different cost structures creates value	<ul style="list-style-type: none">NYC Watershed AgreementNutrient tradingBubble permits
Economies of Scale and Scope	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Fixed costs can be spread across larger organizations to increase productivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Vertical or horizontal integration
Technology and Innovation	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Changes in technology can materially increase an entity's productivity	<ul style="list-style-type: none">Avoidance of capital or operating expense

Focus of today's discussion

A decade is a long time



*There is no state with a
democracy except Libya
on the whole planet.*
—Muammar al-Gaddafi

2006

2007

2009

2011

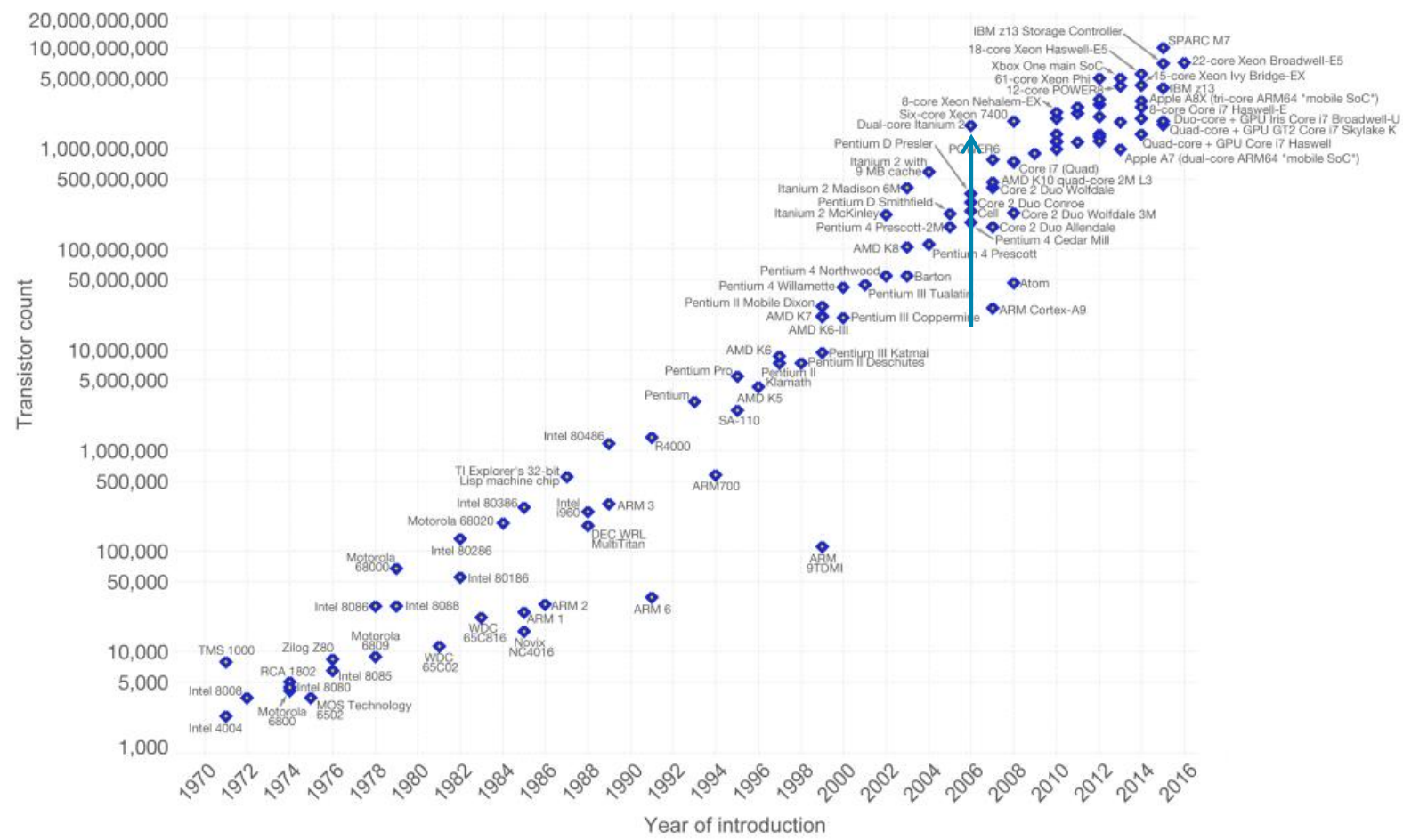


UBER



Changes in 12 years: Computing

40X



Source: Brookings, Wikimedia

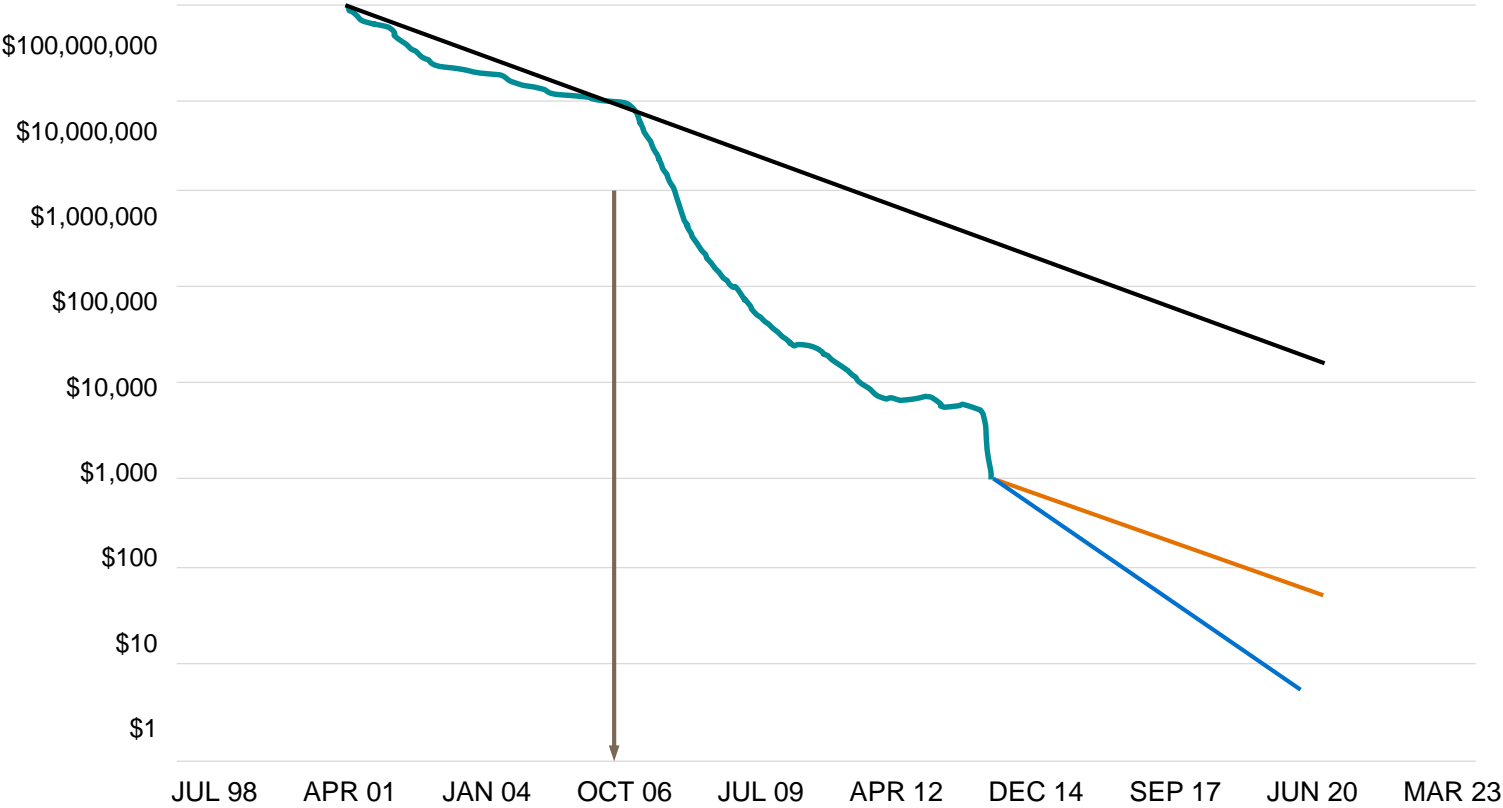


Changes in 12 years: Biomedical Technology

1MX

- Historic Cost Per Genome
- Moore's Law
- Moore's Law Forecast
- Historic Rate Forecast

Cost Declines of Genome Sequencing



Source: Brookings, Wikimedia



Disruption is coming to the water sector

Trends

- **More data:**
Greater temporal, spatial, parametric data density
- **More useful data:**
Increasing interoperability of smart applications
- **Better analytics:**
from situational awareness to decision support

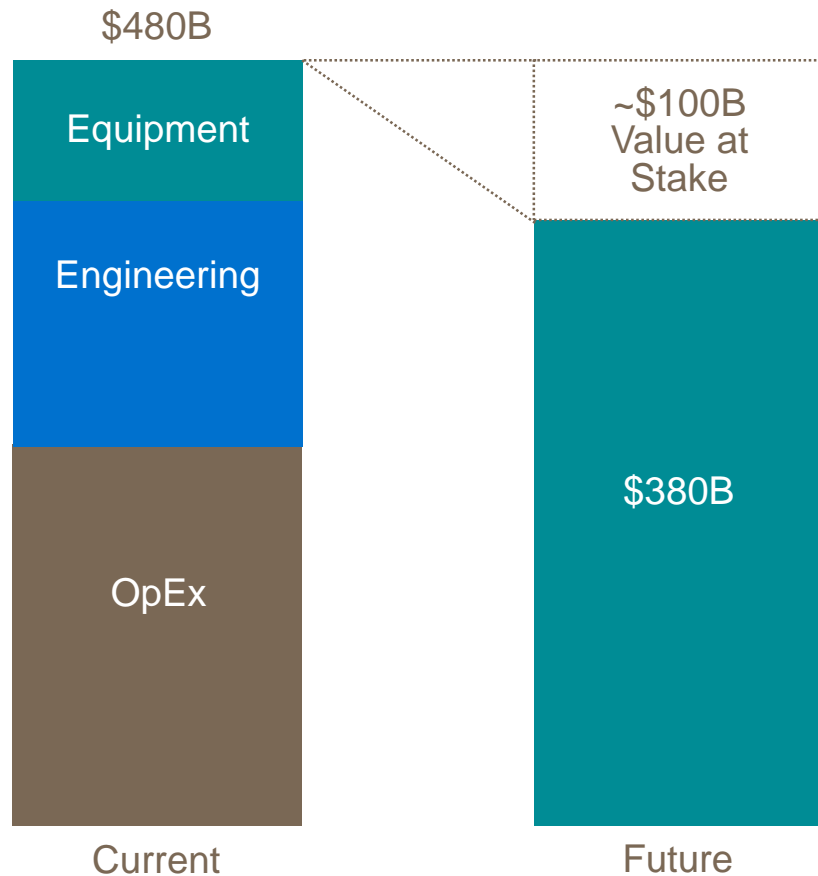


Benefits

- Improved public health, environmental outcomes
- Less capital and operating intensity – affordability
- Better work experience



In the next 12 years, innovation will transform water



- \$100B at stake as disruptive technology unlocks value
- Much of this surplus will be captured by end users and ratepayers
- Creates opportunity for needed reinvestment

Source: Global Water Intelligence, Team analysis

Three big ideas for water

From the ER
to Primary Care



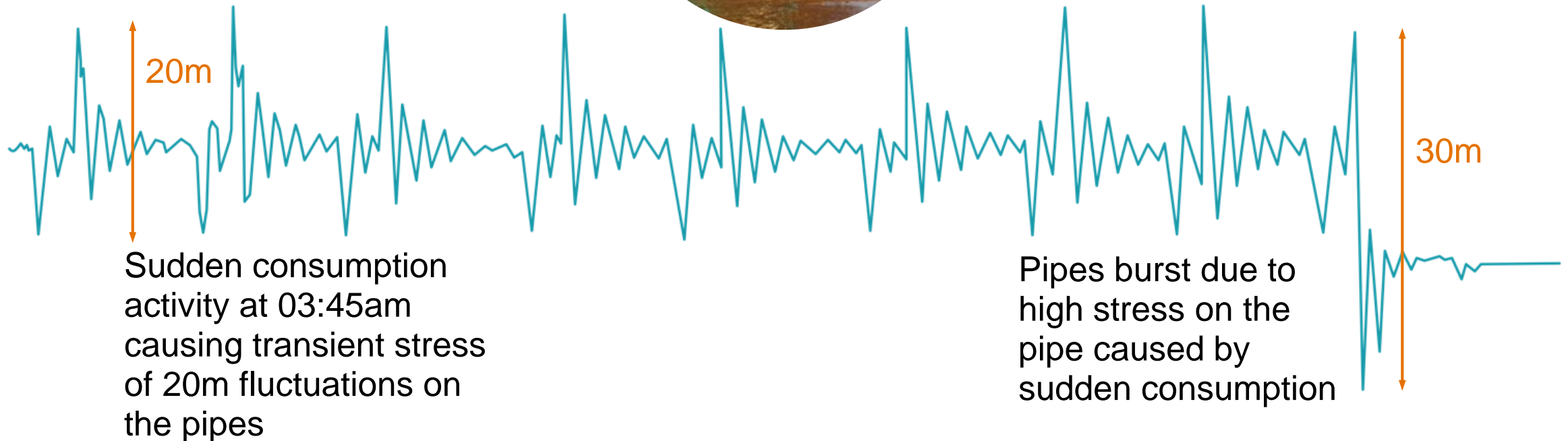
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“If It Ain’t Broke...”

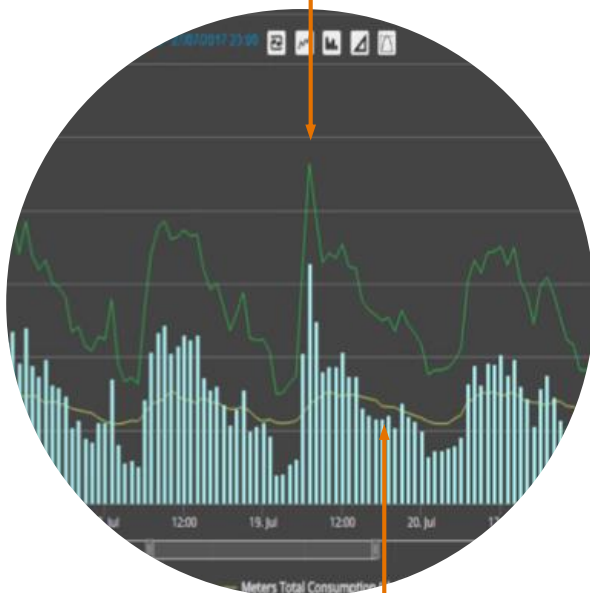


Detect events in real-time with greater sensor density

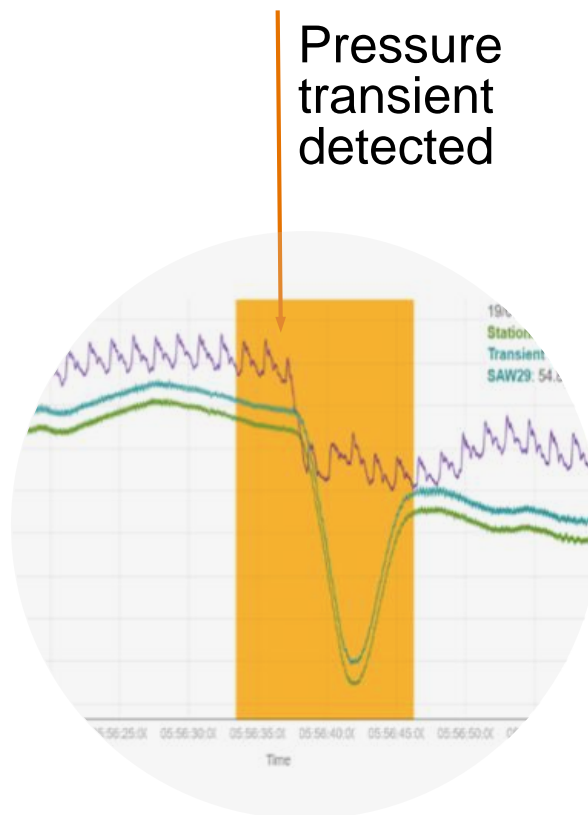


Drive to root cause with data integration and analytics

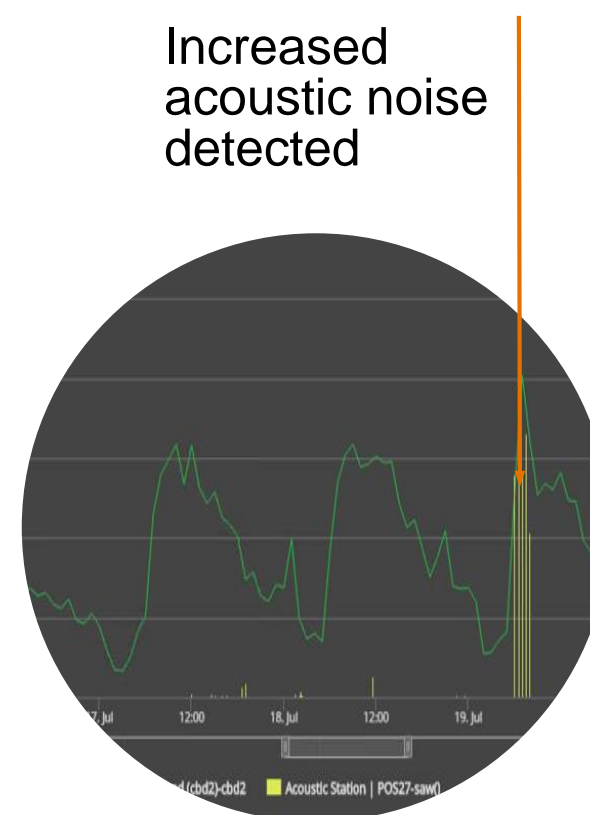
DMA inflow
increase
detected



Stable customer
consumption
detected

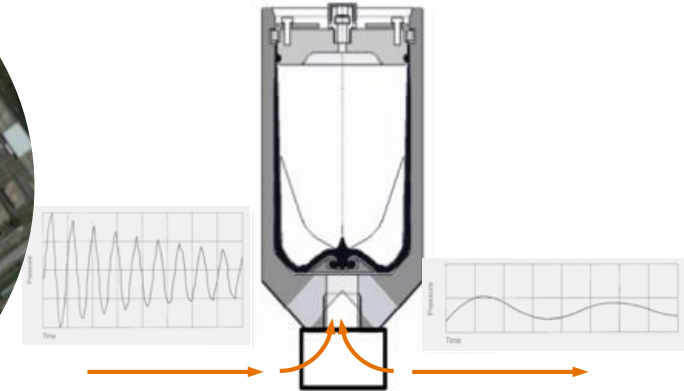


Increased
acoustic noise
detected

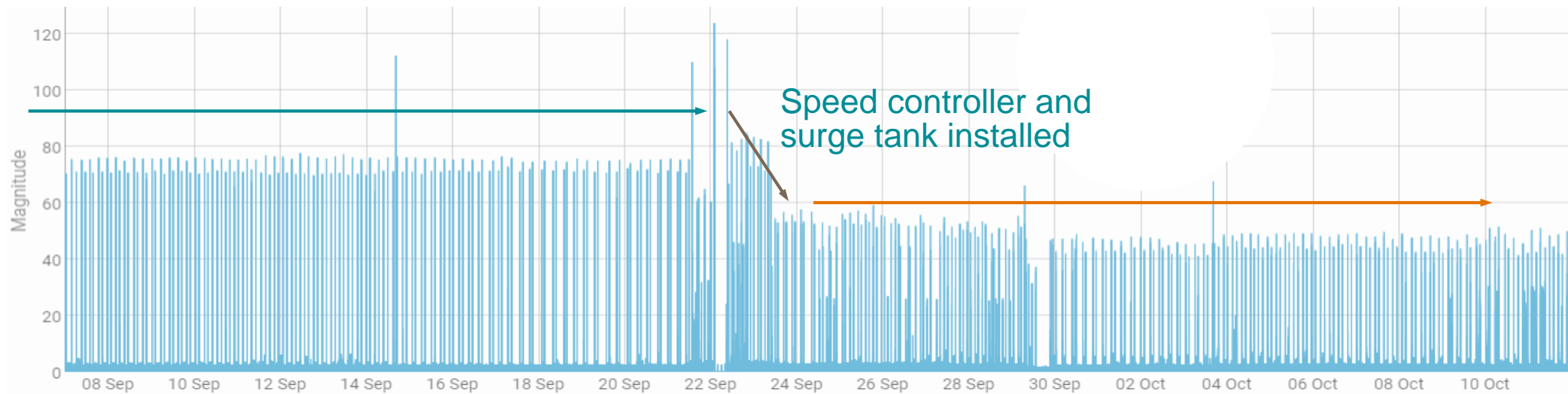


Preventing Breaks

Addressing sources of pressure surges removes fatigue and reduces failures

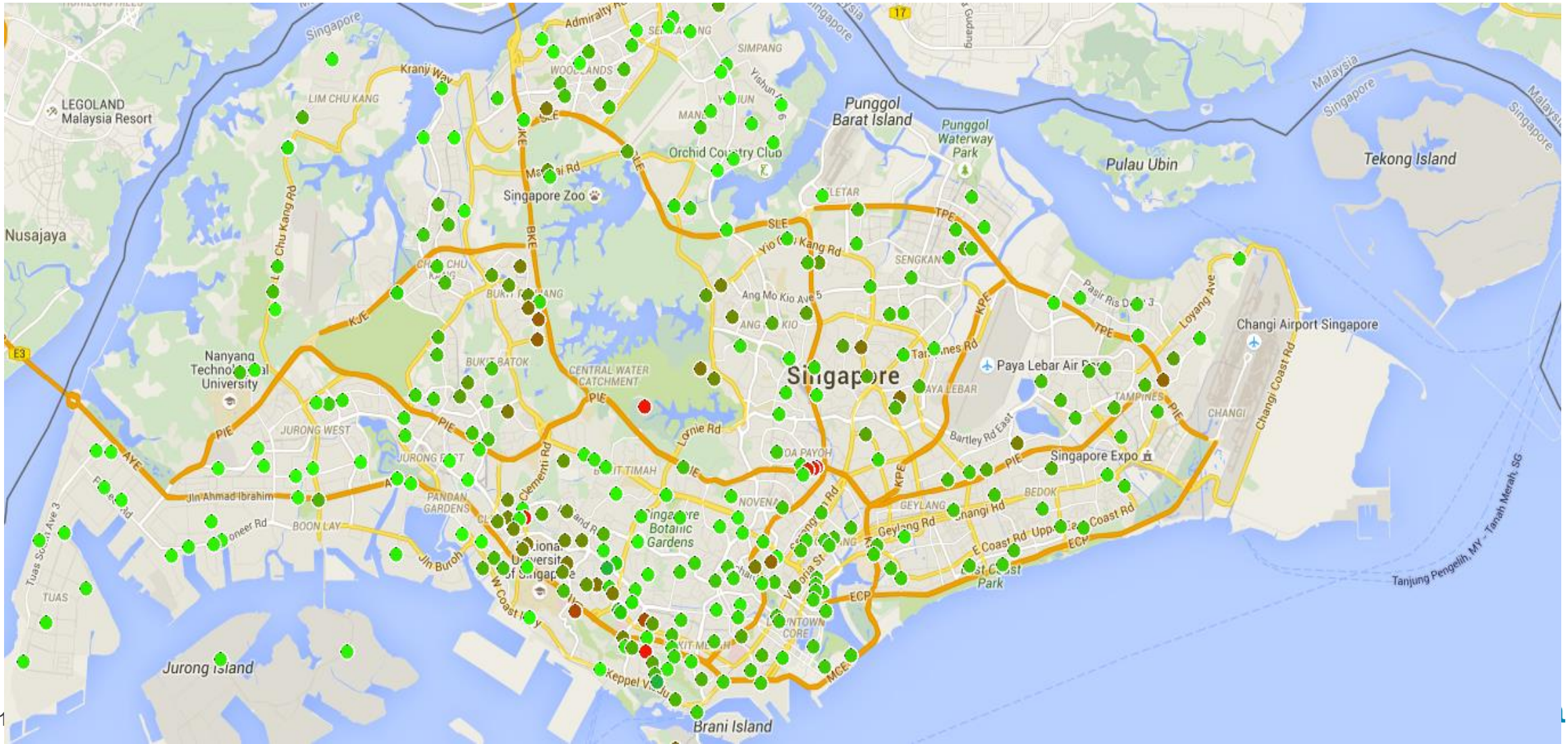


Absolute pressure change over time



Singapore's Intelligent Water Network

Alarms intelligently ingested and visualized



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TODAY



Adam

4:34 PM

hey AI, totally out of nowhere, but you are the only person I know in the water industry, and I have to imagine you are likely the best person to know in the water industry in North America. :) Can I ask you what you know about urban river remediation? I recently got a place on the north branch of the Chicago River, and I went kayaking there recently, and was amazed that under every bridge there are signs that say, "when it rains, I dump raw human waste, and you are required by law to tell the health department if you get a skin infection from it" etc. BLEW MY MIND. Do you know who or what I can support to even understand and advocate river cleaning stuff?

Like, this is kind of true:

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2018/08/02/us/chicago-river-waterfront.html>

but also, there's human waste in the river.



Traditional solutions

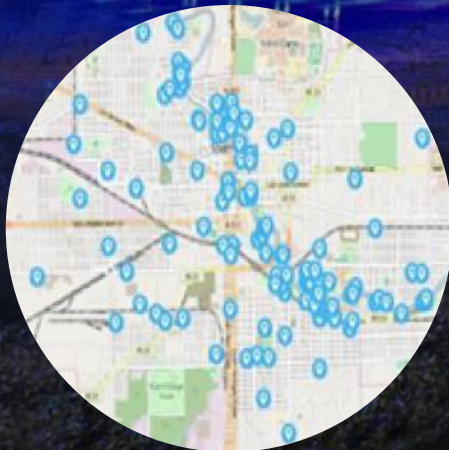
Cost for one city in:

Hawaii:	\$5.0B
Missouri:	\$4.5B
Ohio:	\$3.0B
Missouri:	\$2.5B
Indiana:	\$2.0B
Florida:	\$1.8B

Intelligent urban watershed

Control the urban watershed to improve the environment while saving taxpayers money

Internet of Things/
Edge Computing



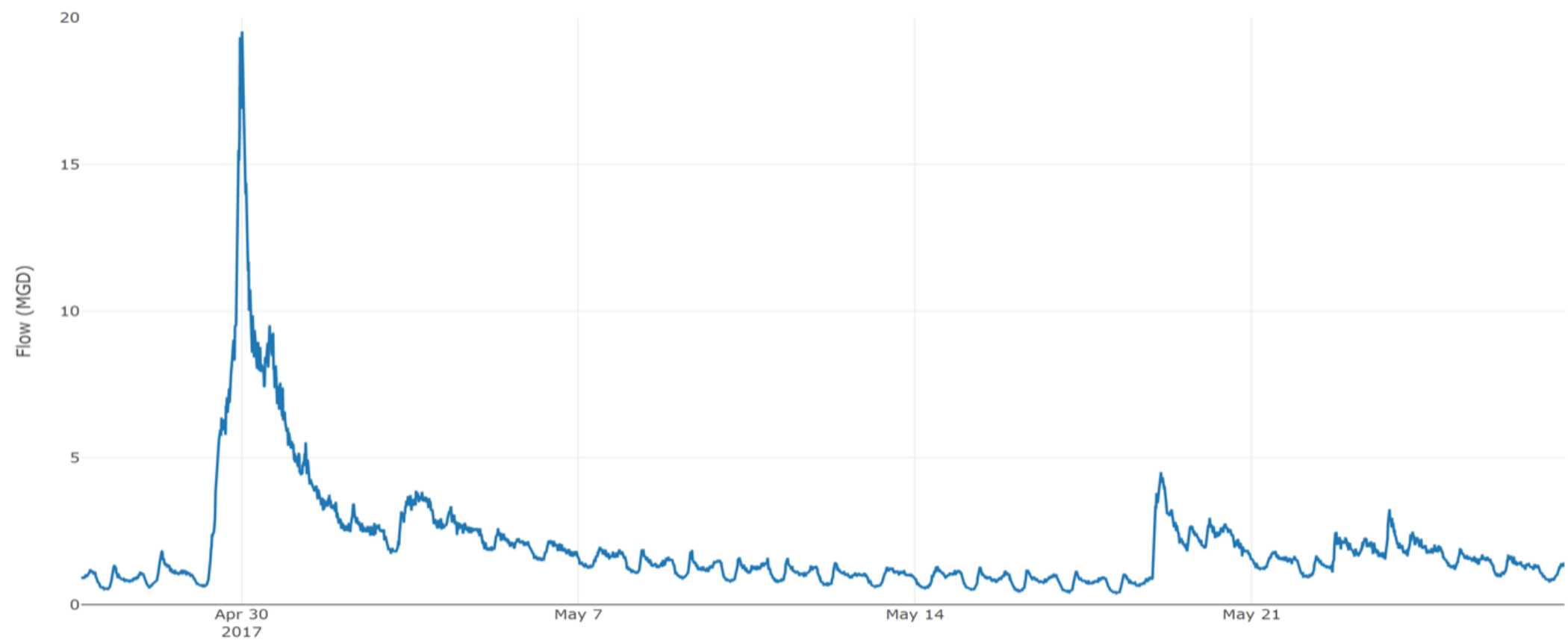
Machine Learning



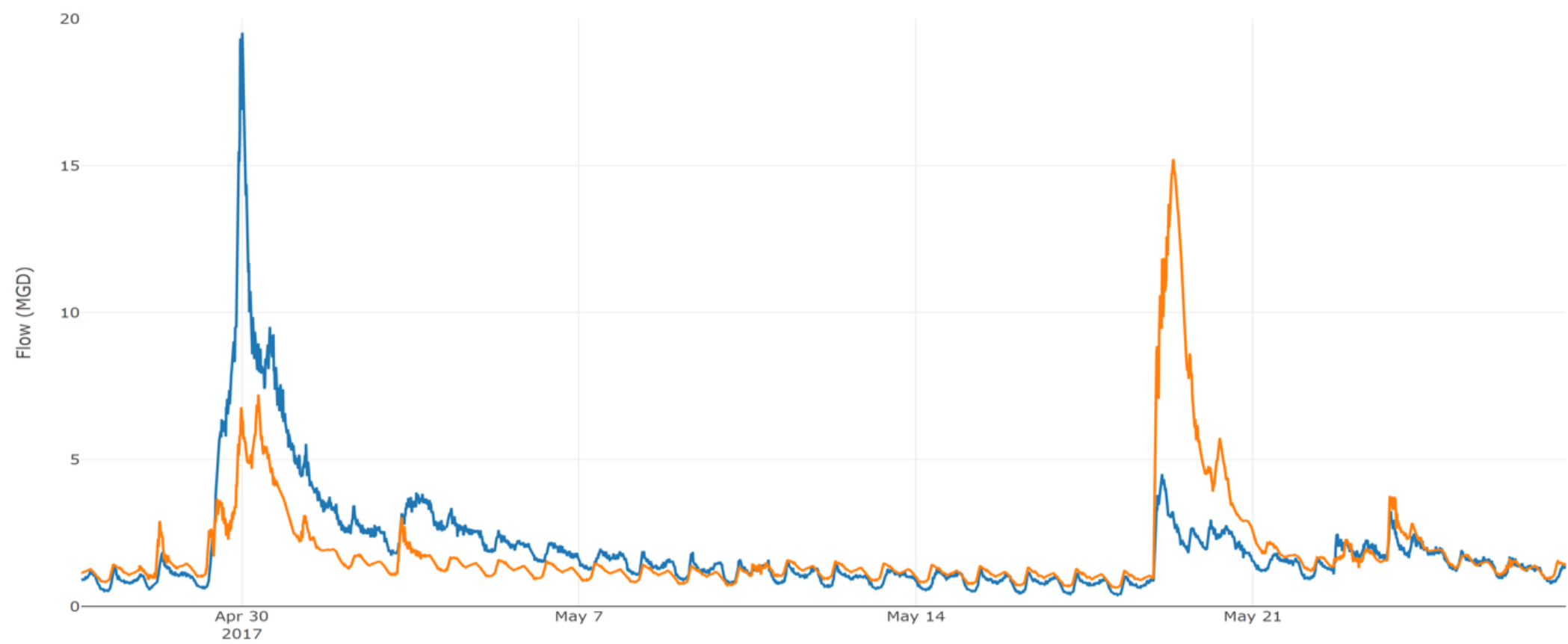
Dynamic Control



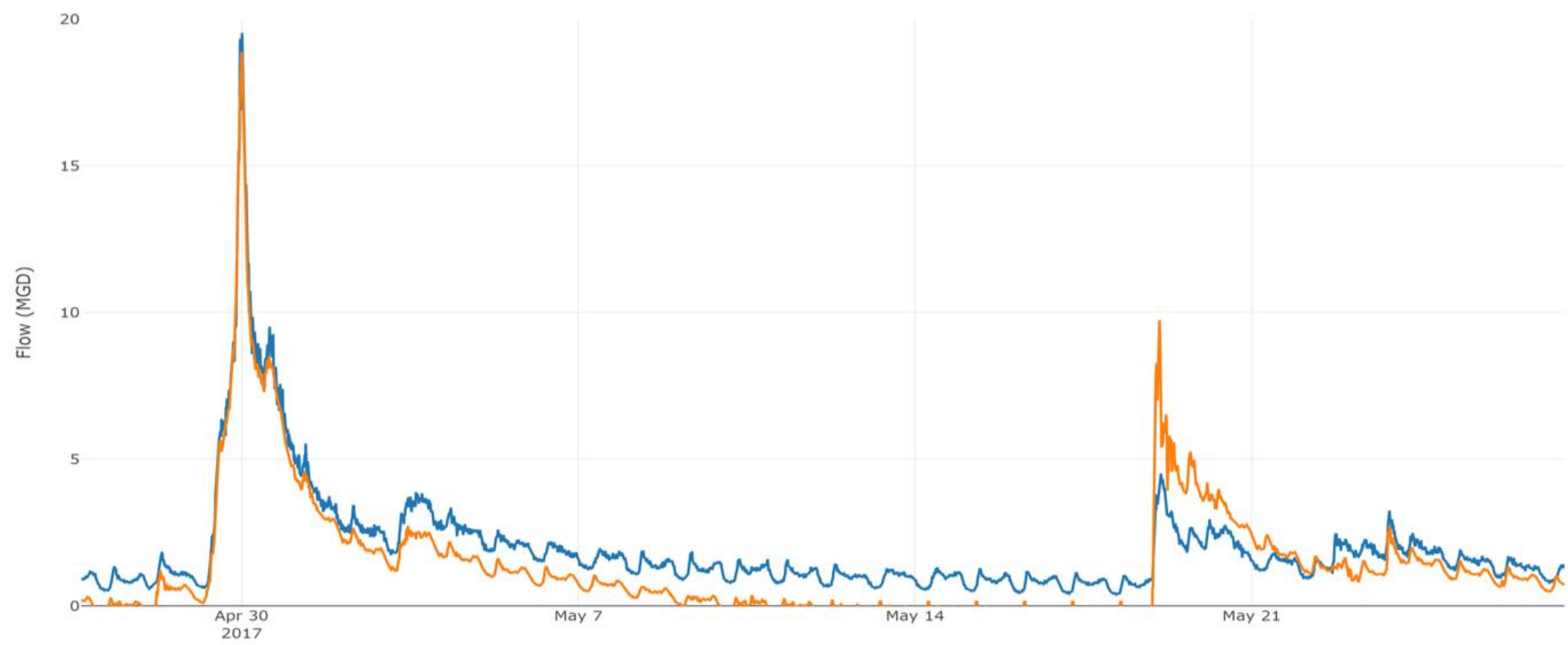
Measured Flow: S150-233



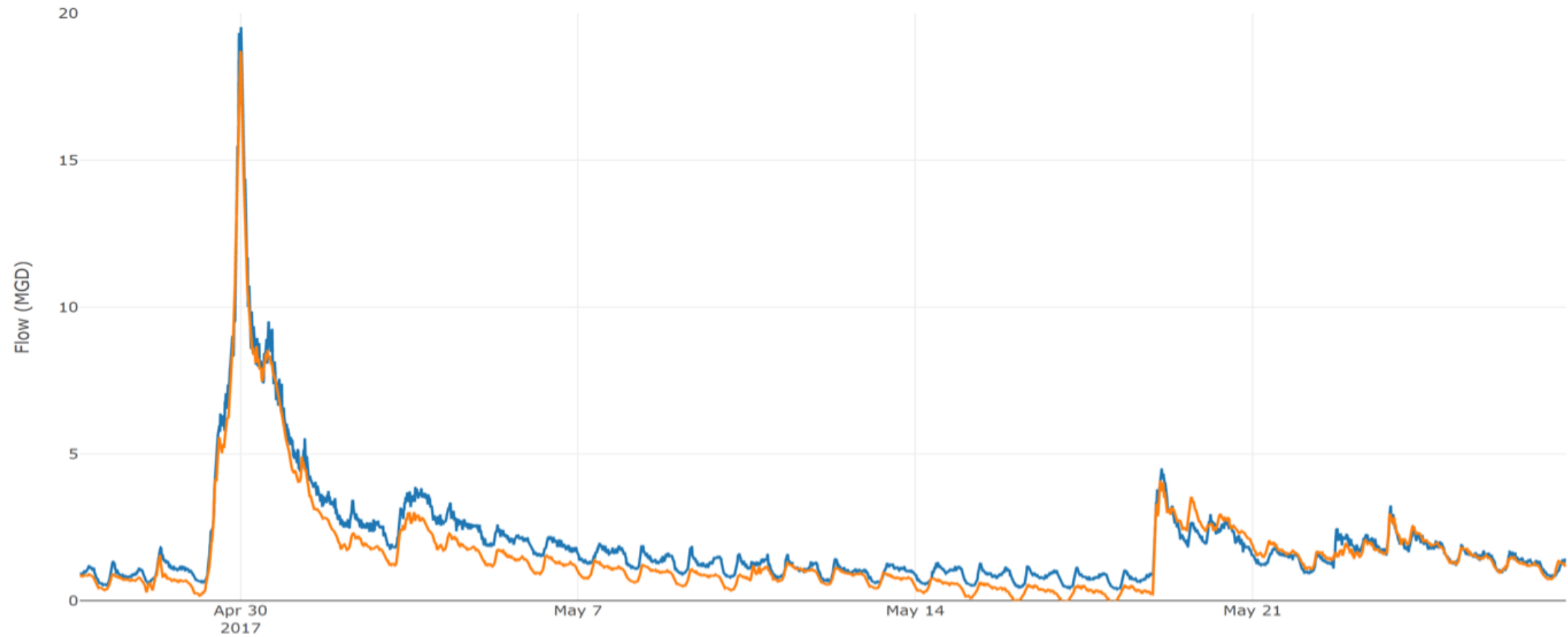
5 weeks



10 weeks

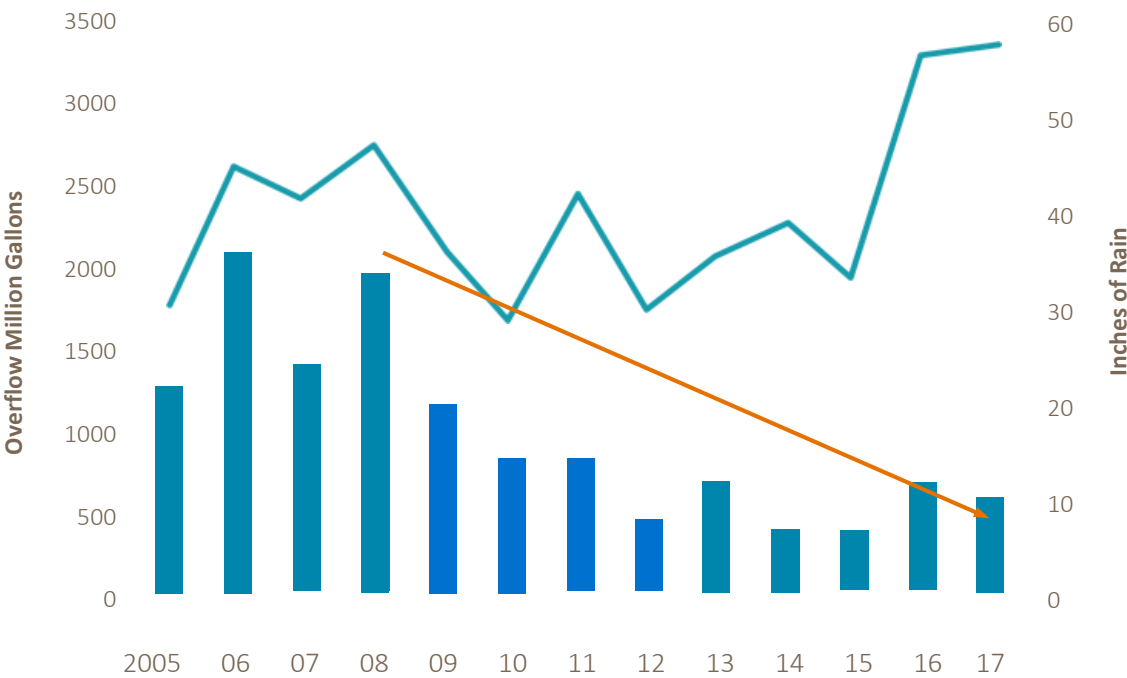


15 weeks



Outcomes of active control

More rain, fewer overflows – with less expenditure



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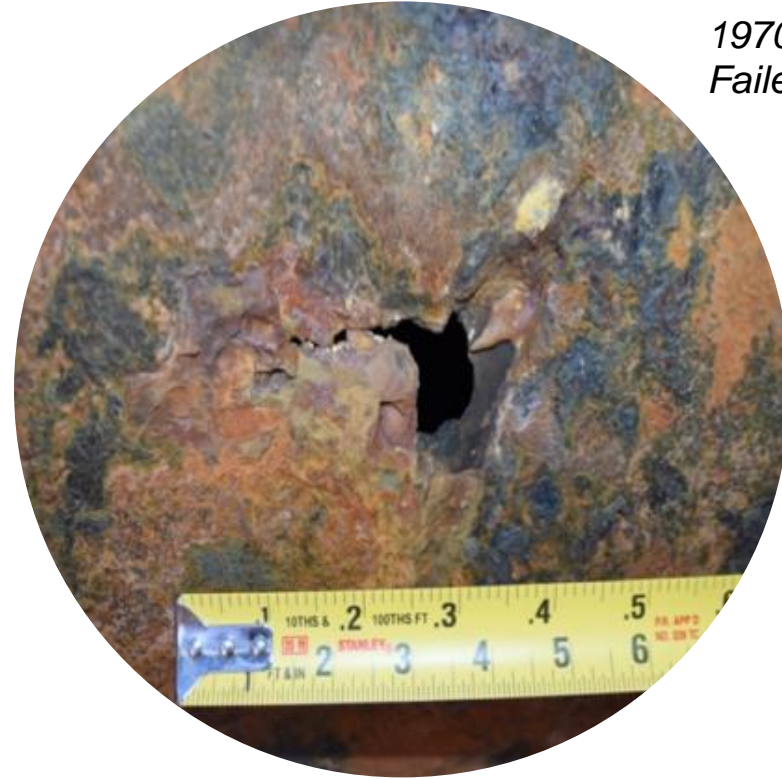


A Tale of Two Pipes

*1920s Cast Iron Pipe,
Great Condition*



*1970s Ductile Iron Pipe,
Failed*



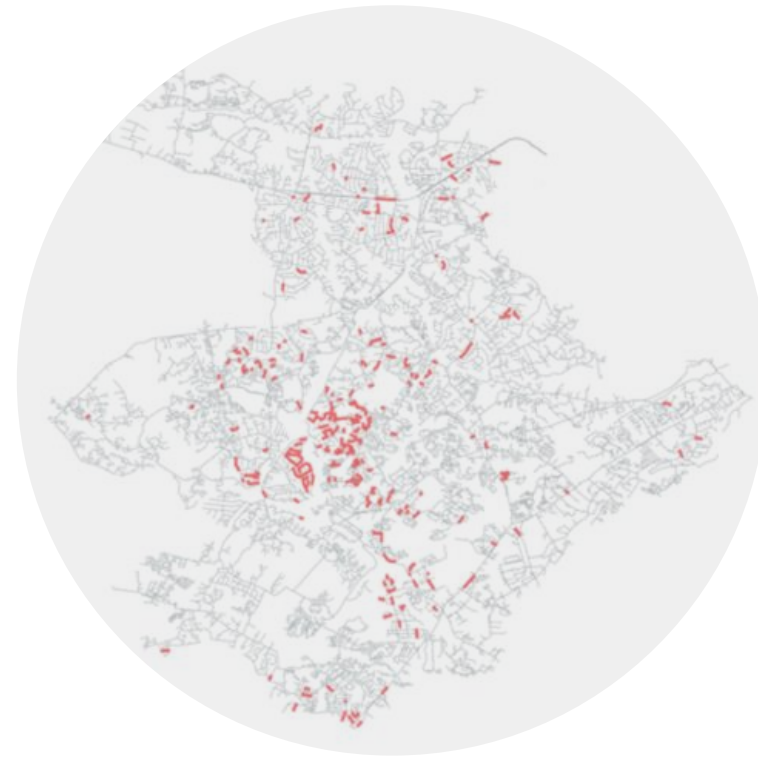
- Age Rarely Correlates With Condition
- 70% To 90% Of Replaced Pipelines Have Remaining Life
- Better Data, Advanced Analytics and Risk Management Strategies Can Save Billions

Artificial Intelligence Improves Standard of Care

Traditional risk
management



AI-based risk
management



Dramatic risk, cost and time improvement

AI, Surgical Application & Risk



Pre Inspection Plan

\$6M



Post Inspection Plan

\$1M

**Do taxpayers want us to
replace good pipes?**

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Set and broadcast an ambitious but achievable vision

Could your governor leave a legacy of...

- Achieving water security?
- Ending sewer overflows and algal blooms?
- Ensuring water affordability?

Set performance metrics and incentives

- **Benchmark performance**
- **Encourage innovative targets**
- **Set productivity goals**



Be a water innovation champion!

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- A close-up photograph of a hand holding a lit sparkler. The sparkler is in the center, emitting a bright, starburst-like pattern of golden sparks that radiate outwards. The hand is positioned in the foreground, with fingers slightly curled around the sparkler. The background is dark and out of focus, showing some faint, blurry lights. The overall mood is celebratory and innovative.
- **Shine a spotlight into the sewer**
 - **Remove bottlenecks**
 - **Fight for common sense**

Thank you!





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Building Resiliency into Agriculture Water with Advanced Technology & Policy Innovation

Tracy Streeter, Director, Kansas Water Office

**Robyn Grimm, Senior Manager, Water Information Systems, Environmental
Defense Fund**

**Moderator: Joaquin Esquivel, Board Member, California State Water
Resources Control Board**

Groundwater from aquifers provides drinking water for

HALF THE U.S. POPULATION

NEARLY ALL THE RURAL POPULATION

and provides over **50 billion gallons** per day for
agricultural needs

Cumulative Groundwater Depletion 1900-2008

<https://water.usgs.gov/edu/gwdepletion.html>

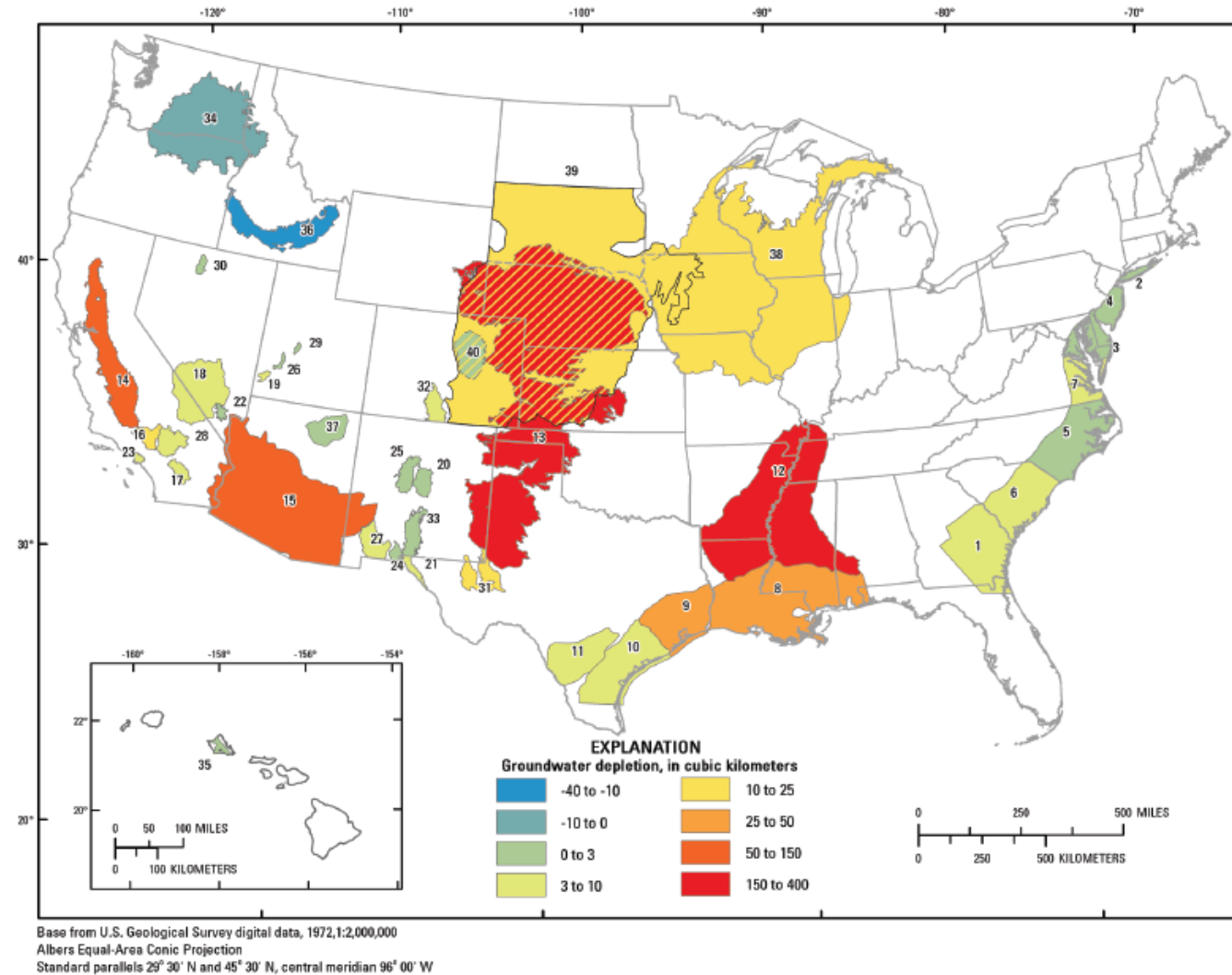
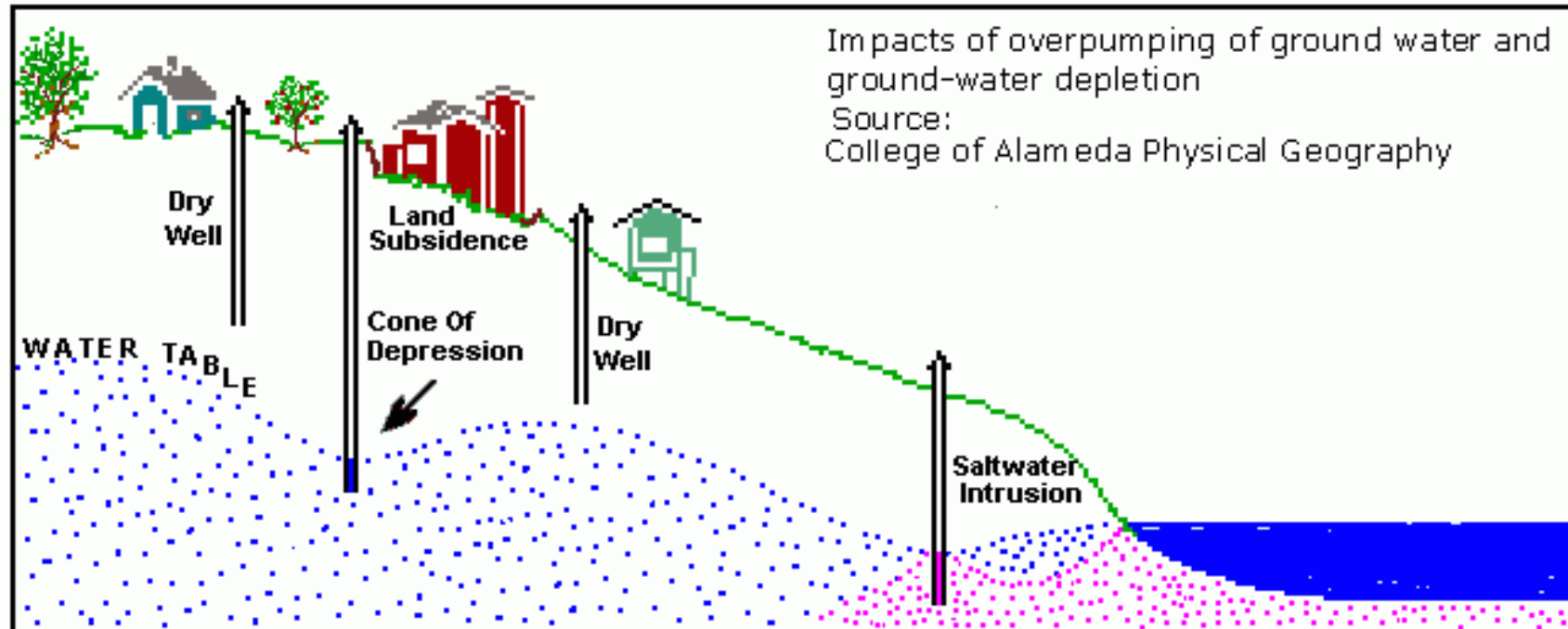


Figure 2. Map of the United States (excluding Alaska) showing cumulative groundwater depletion, 1900 through 2008, in 40 assessed aquifer systems or subareas. Index numbers are defined in table 1. Colors are hatched in the Dakota aquifer (area 39) where the aquifer overlaps with other aquifers having different values of depletion.

Impacts of ground water depletion include dry wells, land subsidence, saltwater intrusion, reduction of water in streams and lakes, deterioration of water quality, increased energy and costs for pumping.

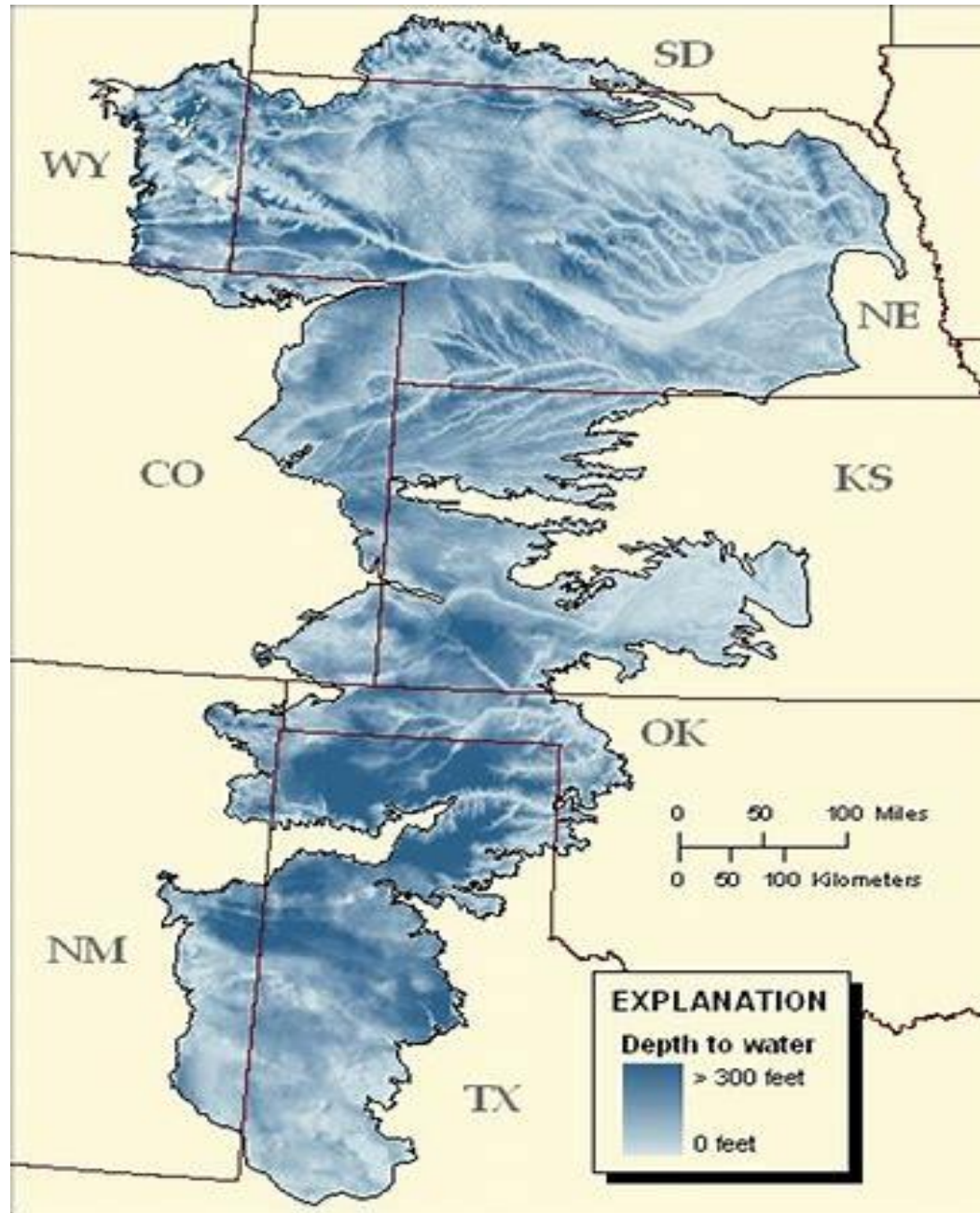


KANSAS APPROACH TO GROUNDWATER CONSERVATION

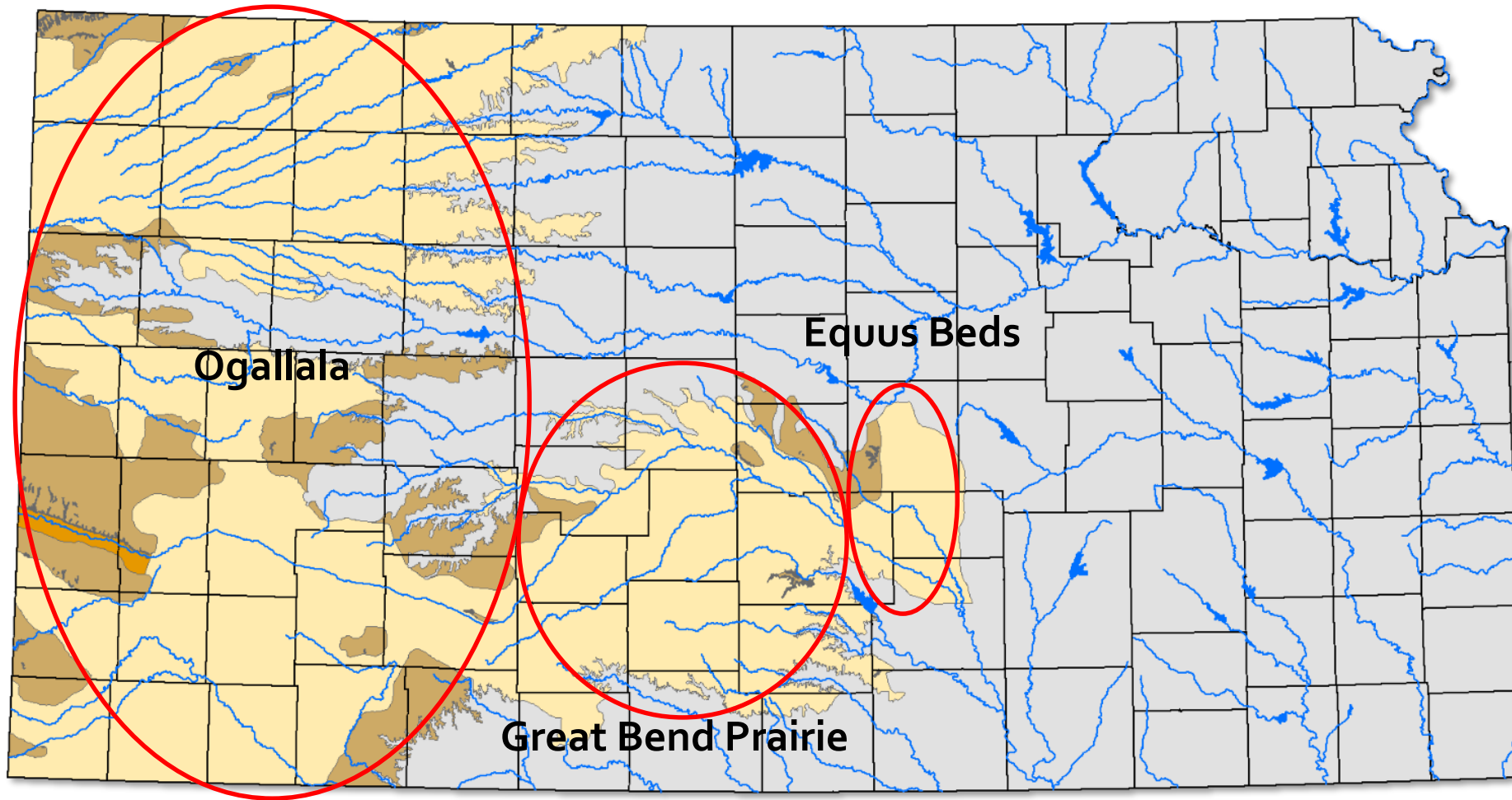


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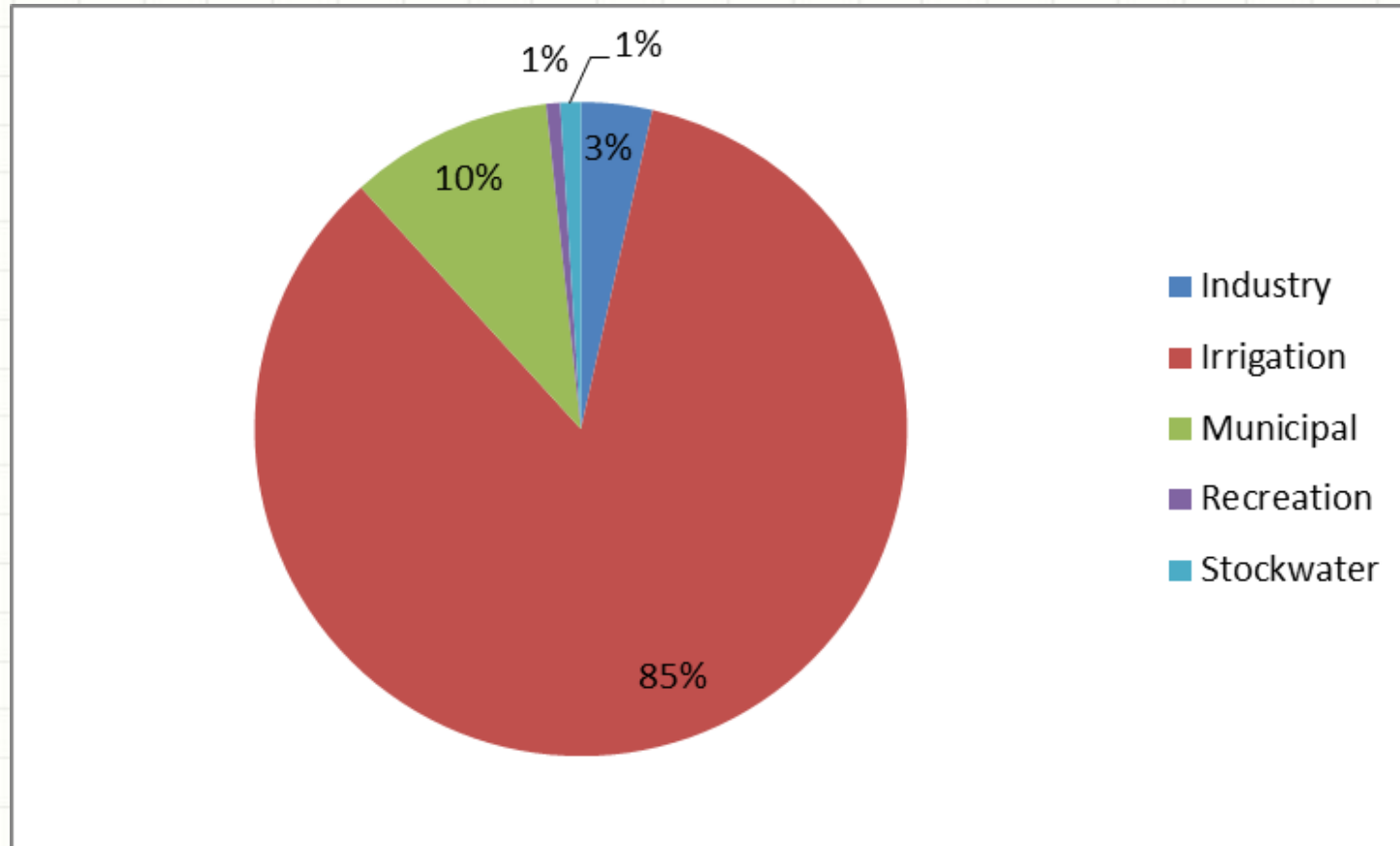
The Ogallala-High Plains Aquifer



The Kansas High Plains Aquifer

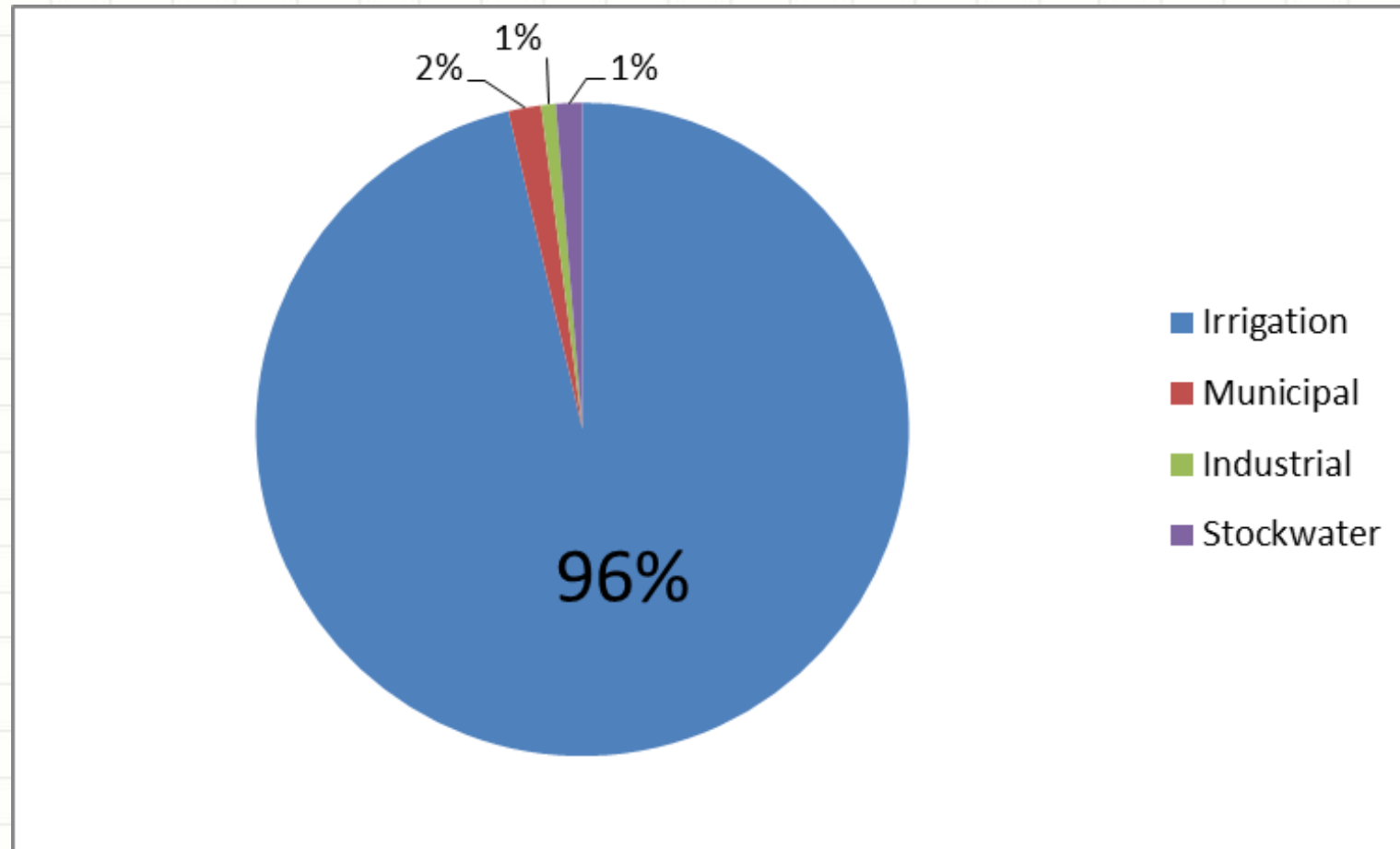


2015 Kansas Water Use – 4.3 million acre-feet



1 acre-foot = 325,851 gallons

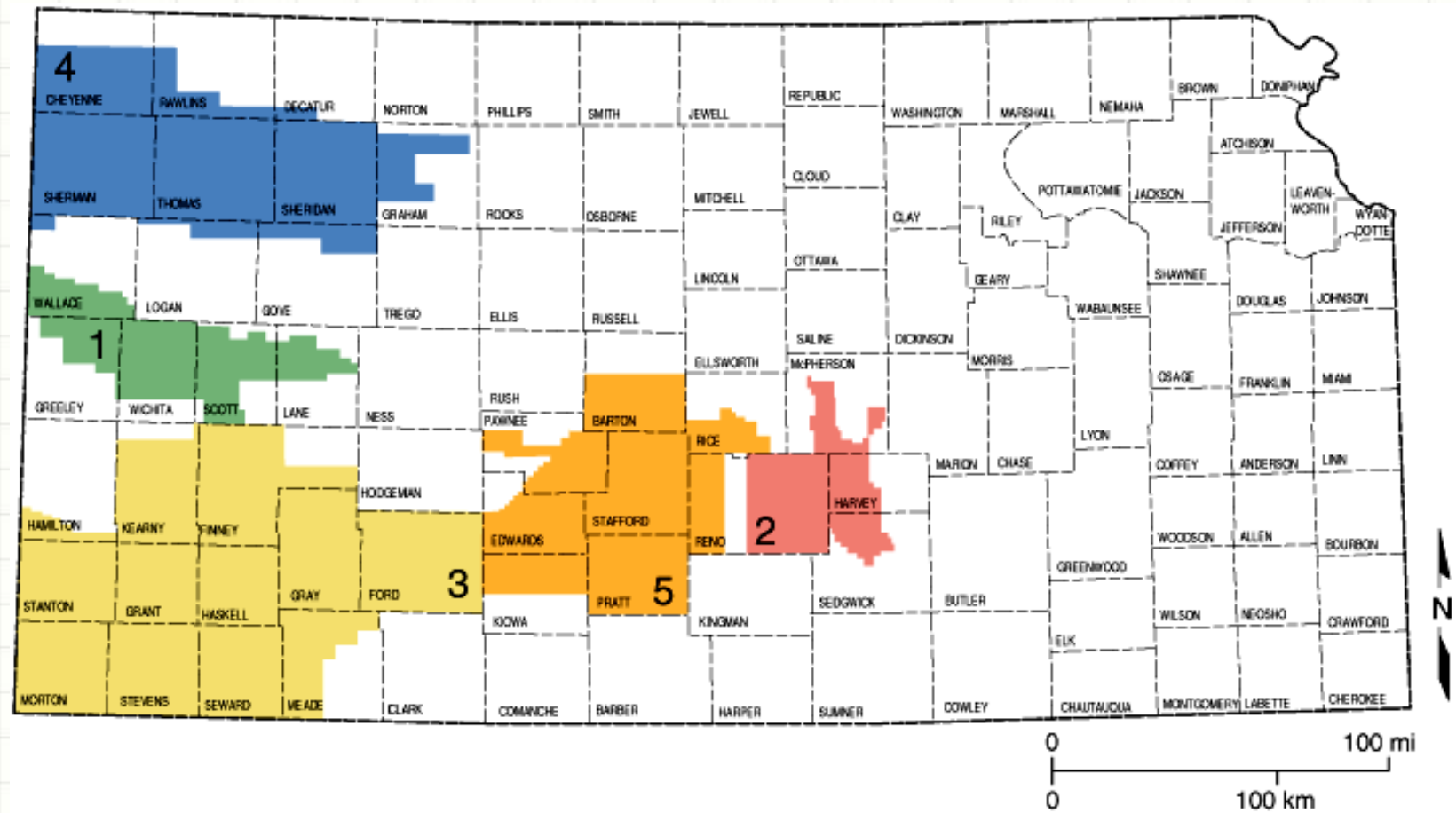
2015 Ogallala Water Use – 2.85 million acre-feet



Kansas Water Laws

- 1945, Kansas Water Appropriation Act created (Prior Appropriation Doctrine)
- 1972, Groundwater Management District (GMD) Act. – Authorized local unit of government to lead in local water conservation efforts
- 1978, GMD Act amended authorizing Intensive Groundwater Use Control Areas (IGUCA)
- 2012: Local Enhanced Management Areas (LEMA) authorized for GMDs
- 2012: Eliminating abandonment of groundwater rights in closed areas. AKA repealing “use it or lose it”
- 2015: Water Conservation Areas (WCA’s) authorized
- 2015: Requirement to give due consideration of past voluntary conservation in all conservation programs

GMDs in Kansas



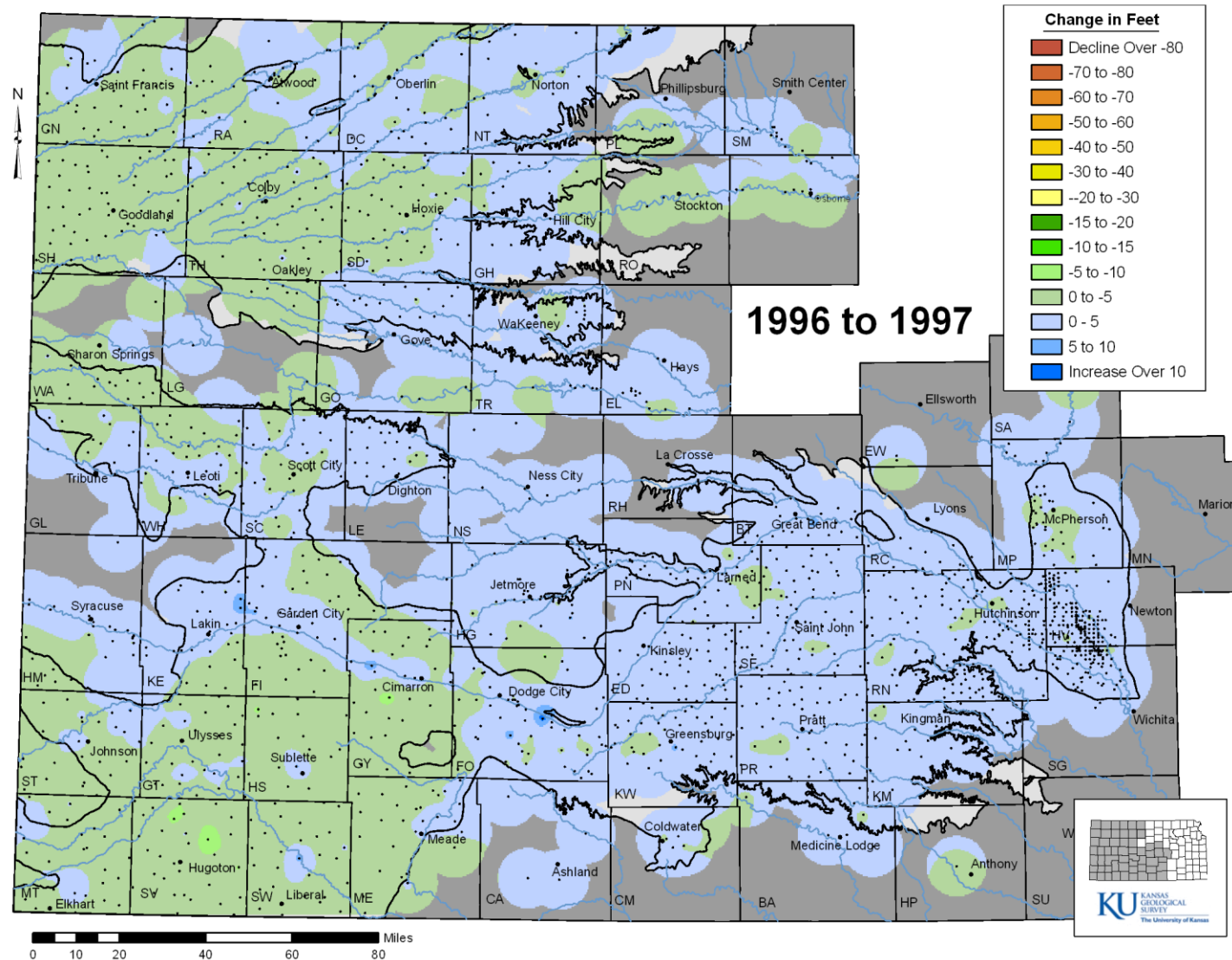
“Water and the Kansas economy are directly linked. Water is a finite resource and without further planning and action we will no longer be able to meet our state’s current needs, let alone growth.”

- Governor Sam Brownback

If We Take No Action in the Next 50 Years...

- The Ogallala will be 70% depleted
- Another 40% of the area irrigated by the Ogallala won't support a 400 gal per minute well

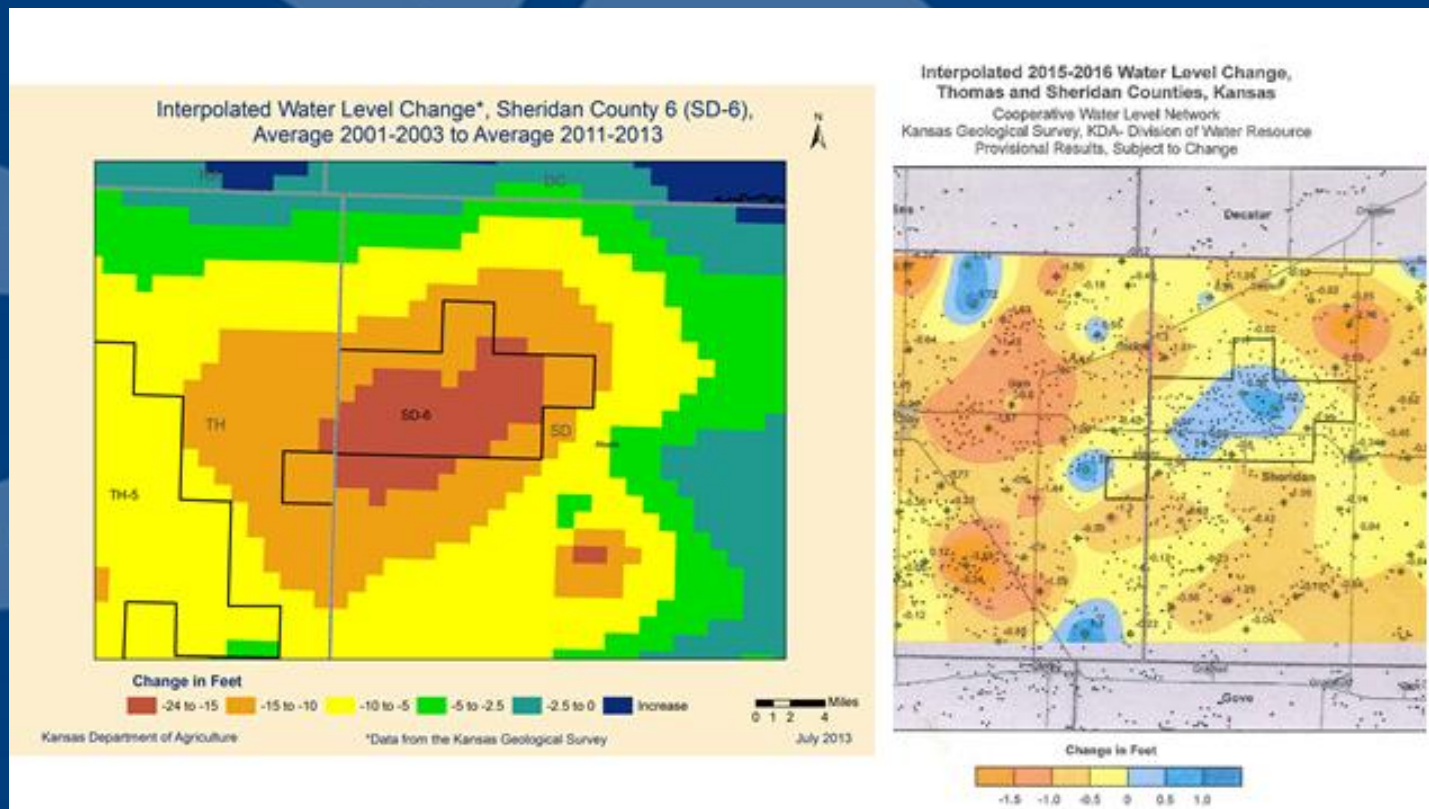
Aquifer declines 1996 - 2017



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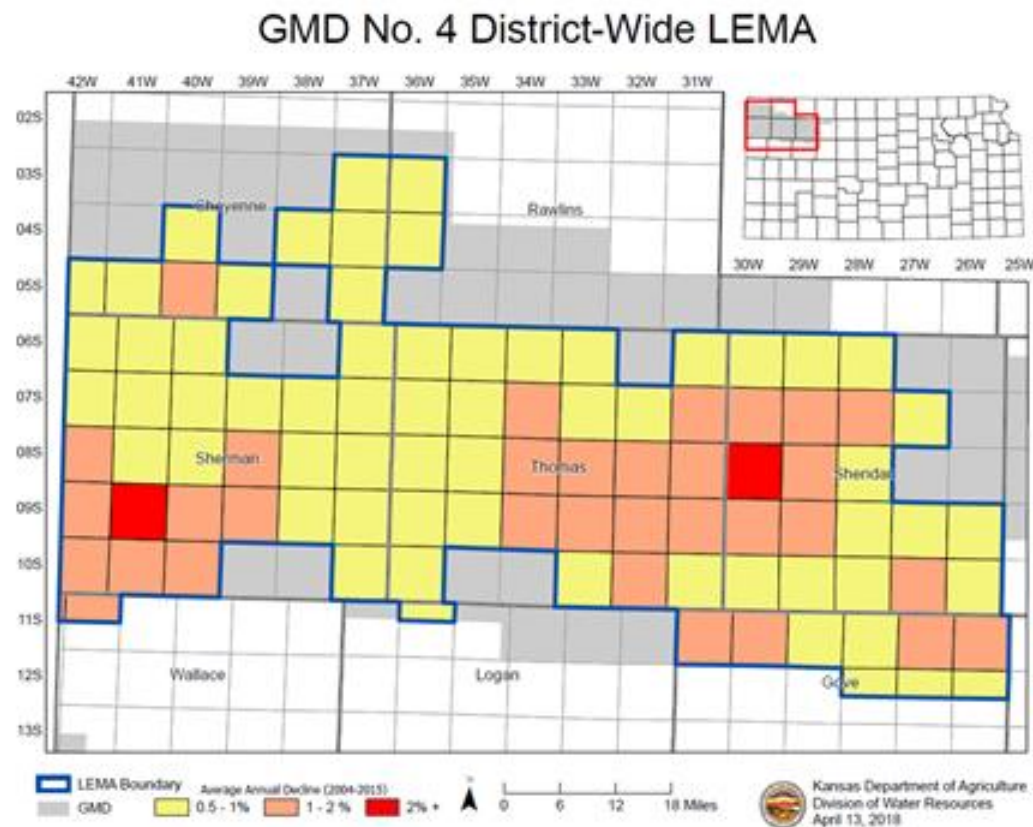
Local Enhanced Management Areas (LEMA)

- 1st LEMA established in Sheridan County
 - 100 sq mi, 5 year, 55” allocation per water right, 20% reduction
 - 5th year complete, renewed for 5 more years
 - Economic evaluation showed no significant impact



LEMA Expansion in NW Kansas

- Approved GMD #4 District-Wide



GMD 4 District-wide LEMA legal challenges

- In Gove County District Court (Friesen vs. Barfield), petition for judicial review filed, challenges the process to develop the LEMA order and the validity of K.S.A. 82a-1041 (the LEMA statutory provisions), particularly allowing allocations that do not consider priority.
- In Thomas County, a petition for judicial review filed seeking review of the LEMA order, esp. as related to GMD's authority to make final decisions on allocation appeals.

WCA Status

- 23 approved or pending
 - Nearly 25,000 irrigated acres enrolled
- Level of conservation ranges from 10-29% of average water use in approved plans
- Multi-year allocations
- Flexibility to move water between enrolled water rights
- Totally voluntary

Water Technology Farms

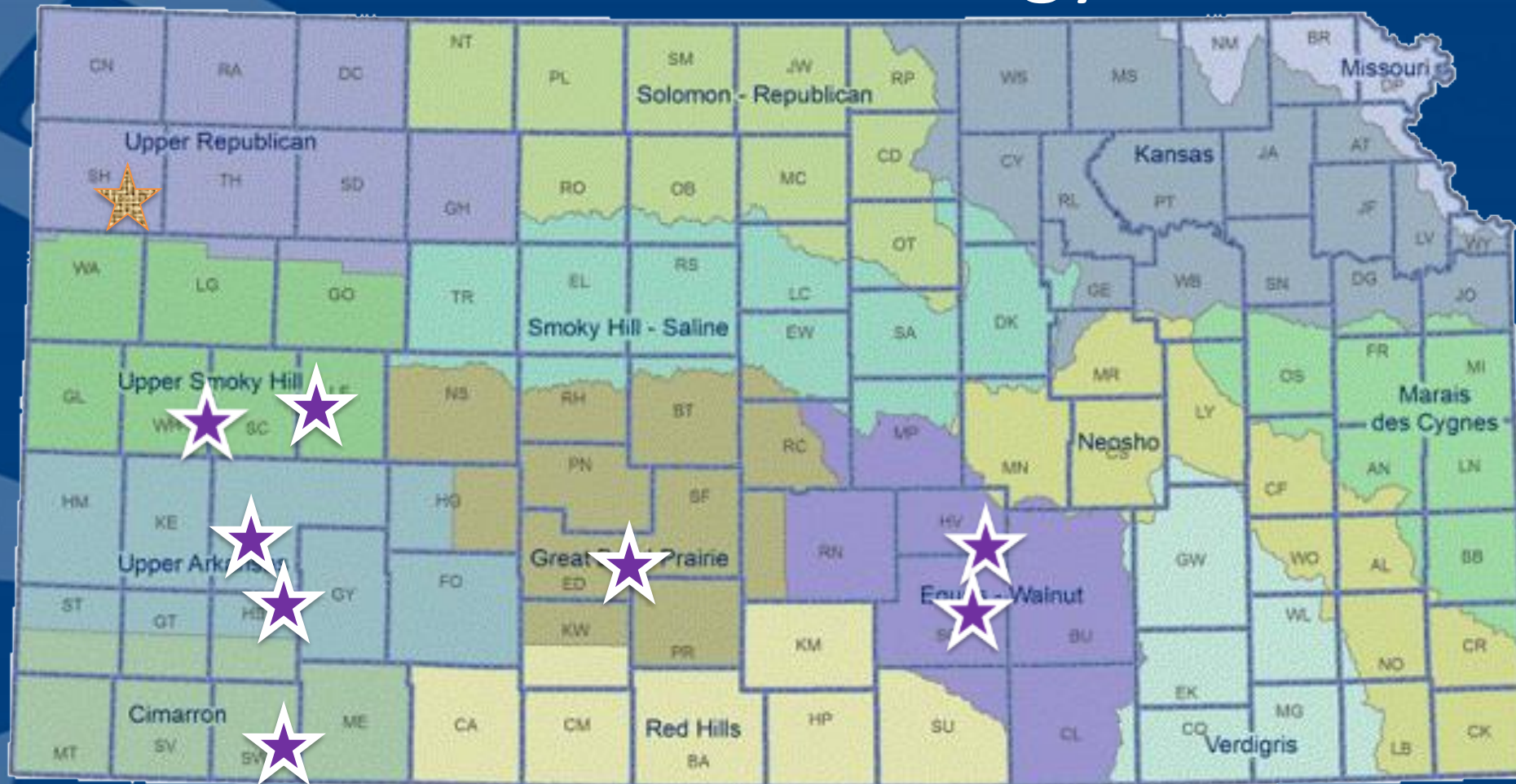


- 12 farms participating
- KSU, Northwest Tech and private consultants provide water management advice
- Public/private partnerships securing the \$



Showcase on a field scale, the latest technologies in irrigation infrastructure, irrigation water management, soil moisture management, conservation tillage, automation telemetry and other agronomic practices aimed at reducing water use.

2018 Water Technology Farms



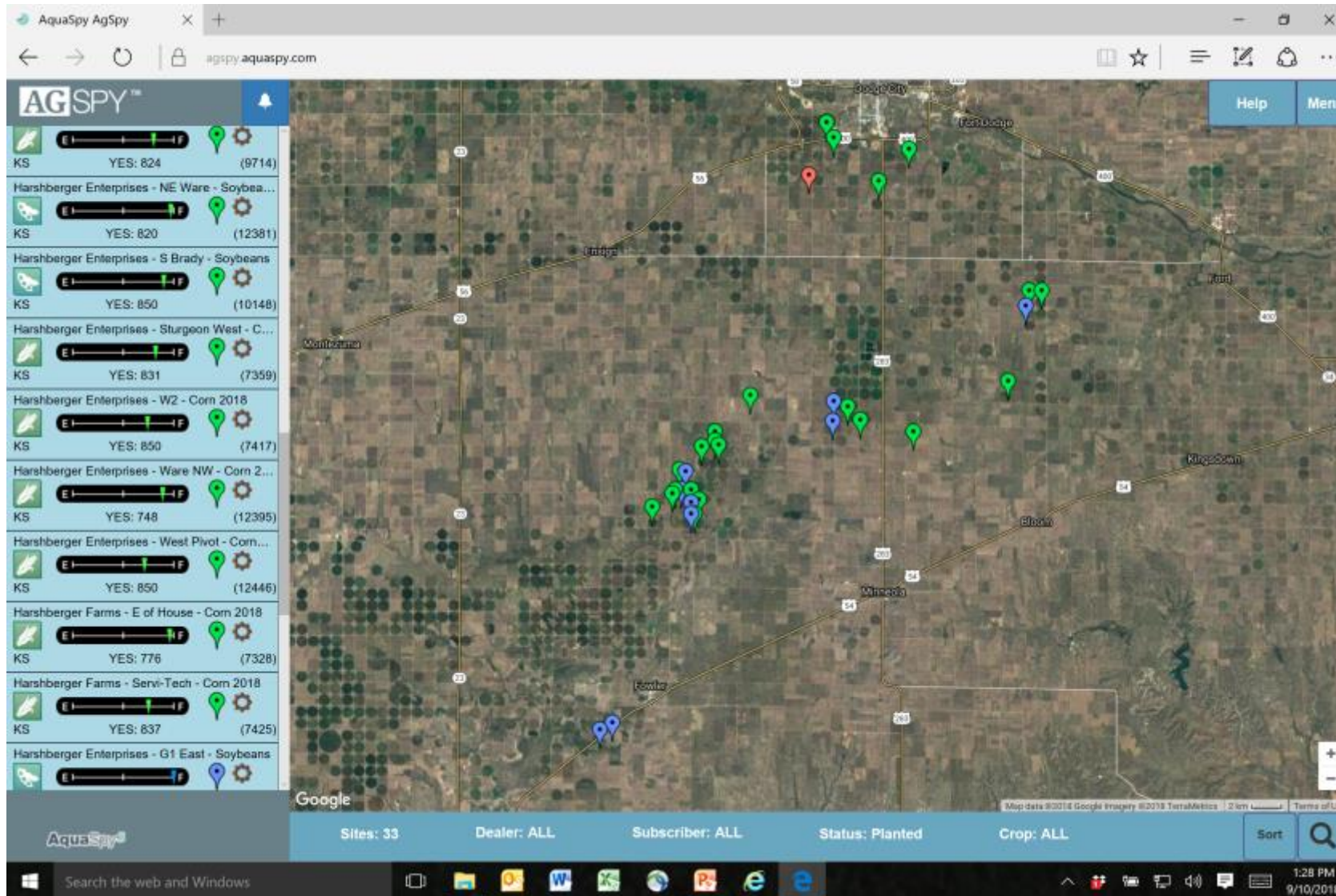


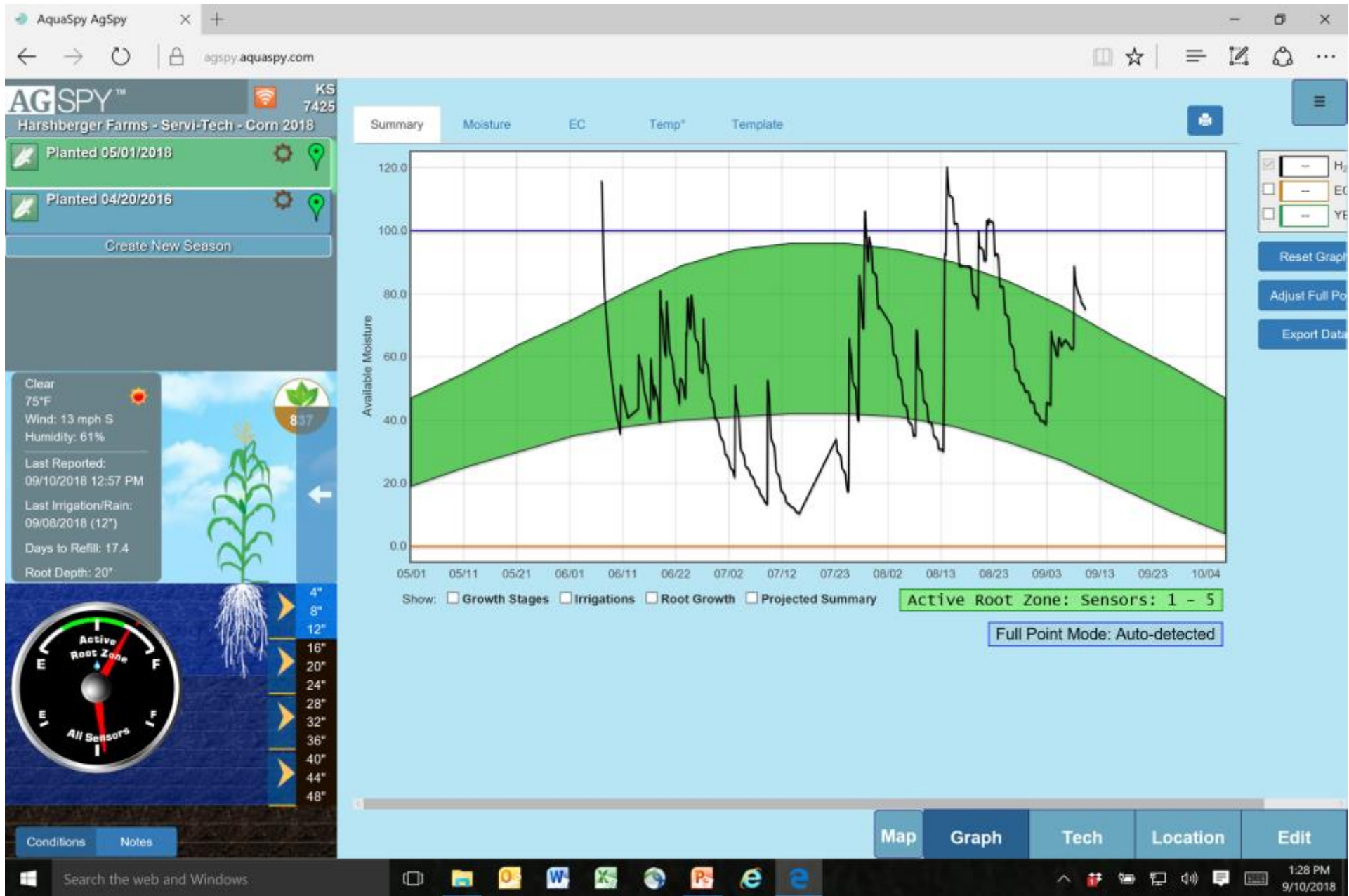
Expanded Premium
Services, LLC



SW KS GMD #3

Measuring soil moisture is key



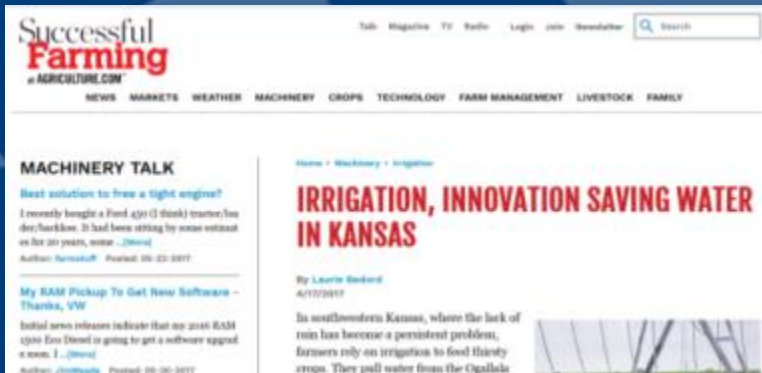


Public outreach and other activities

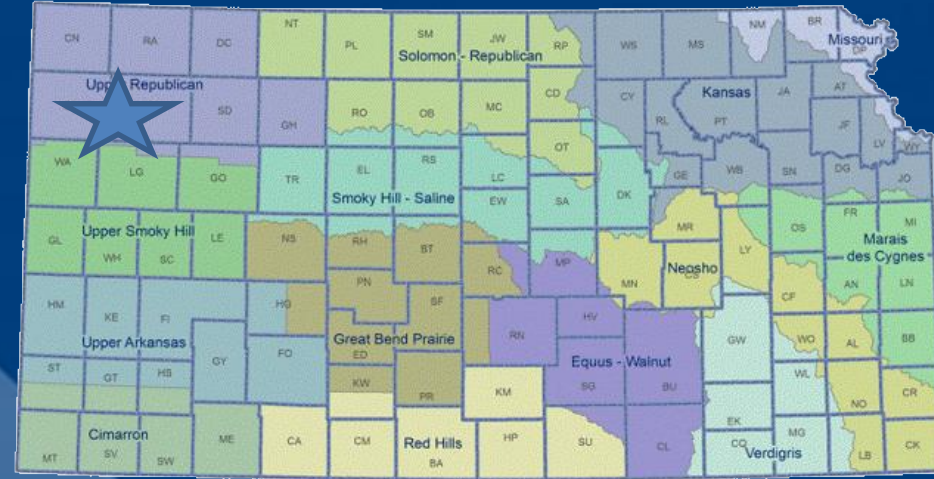


Laurie Bedord
Successful Farming Advanced Technology Editor

TECHNOLOGY SPOTLIGHT: WATER CONSERVATION - PART



WTF/WCA Results

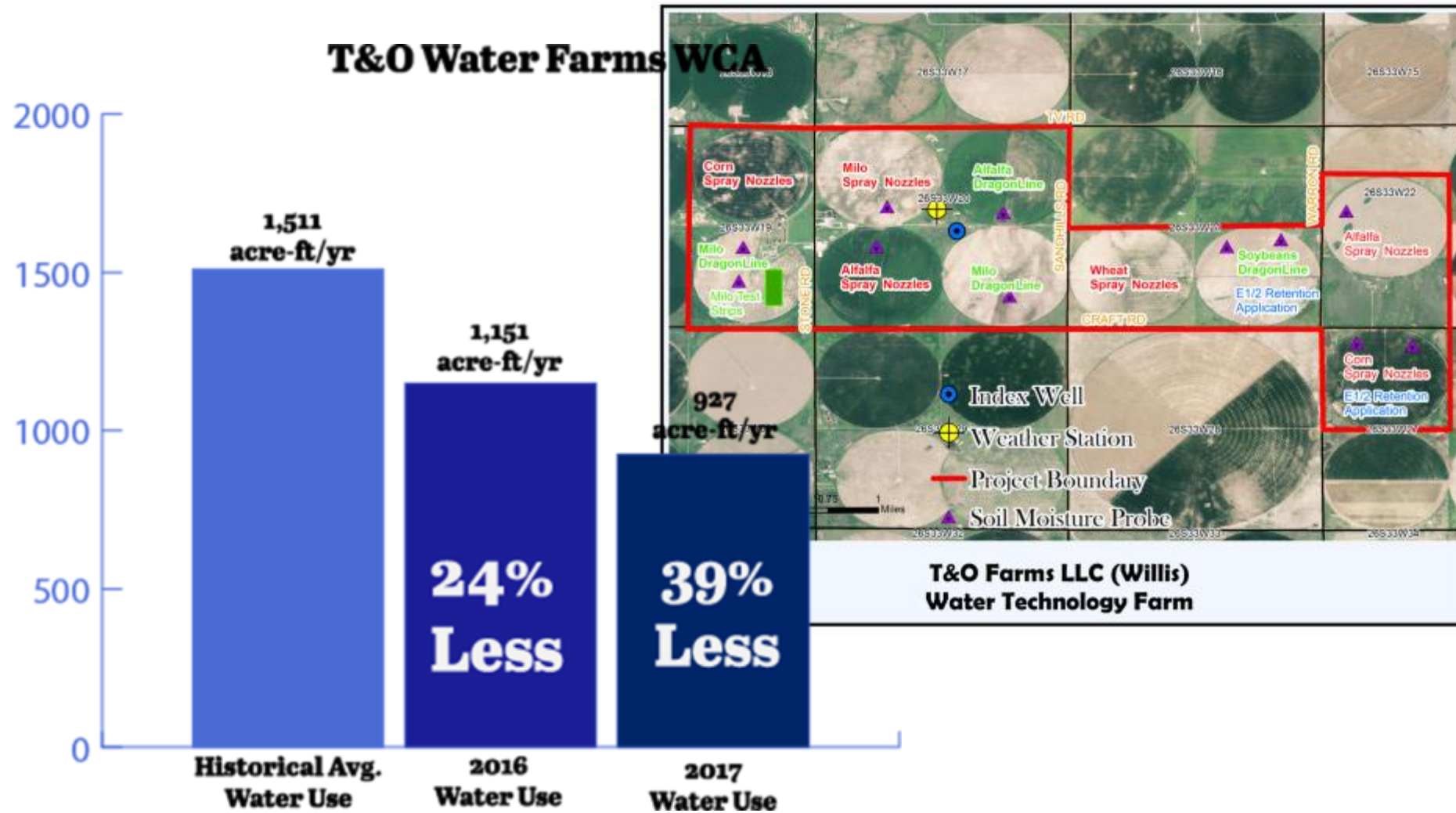


- Roth - Garden City
 - Yield – 241 bu. on 5"
 - Neighbor's yields
 - 233 bu. on 14"
 - 222 bu. on 13.5"
 - Soil moisture probes made the difference

Franklin Farms-Goodland

- Added probes in '17
- 9.8" applied
- Yield 208 bu.
- Saved \$74 per acre on pumping costs

MEASURING SUCCESS



Building Water Resource Workforce



- NW Tech & Local Irrigation Companies partnering with neighboring landowners, GMD 4 and KWO to develop water technology farms within the Precision Ag Dept at NT
- Students working on campus & in the field to develop irrigation water management skills
- Irrigation Technology (soil probes, Variable Rate Irrigation) and Scheduling to demonstrate water savings and profitability
- Six farms participating this year



OpenET

Filling the Biggest Data Gap in Water Management



Robyn Grimm, PhD, EDF

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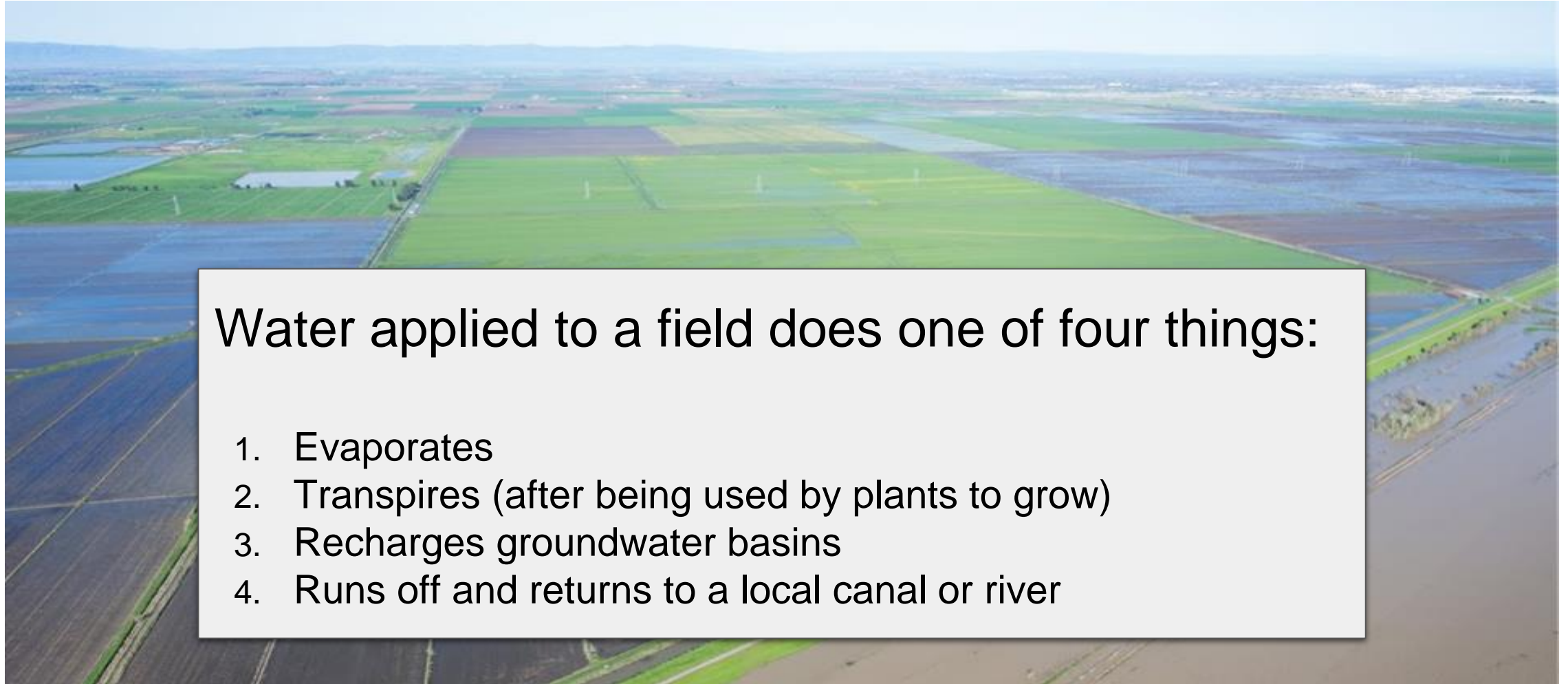
We Need a Smart Meter for Irrigated Agriculture

Measurement Enables Us to...

- Establish realistic water budgets
- Incentivize conservation and innovation
- Give proper credit for reduced use
- Reduce the transaction costs for water trading programs
- Increase urban and on-farm efficiencies



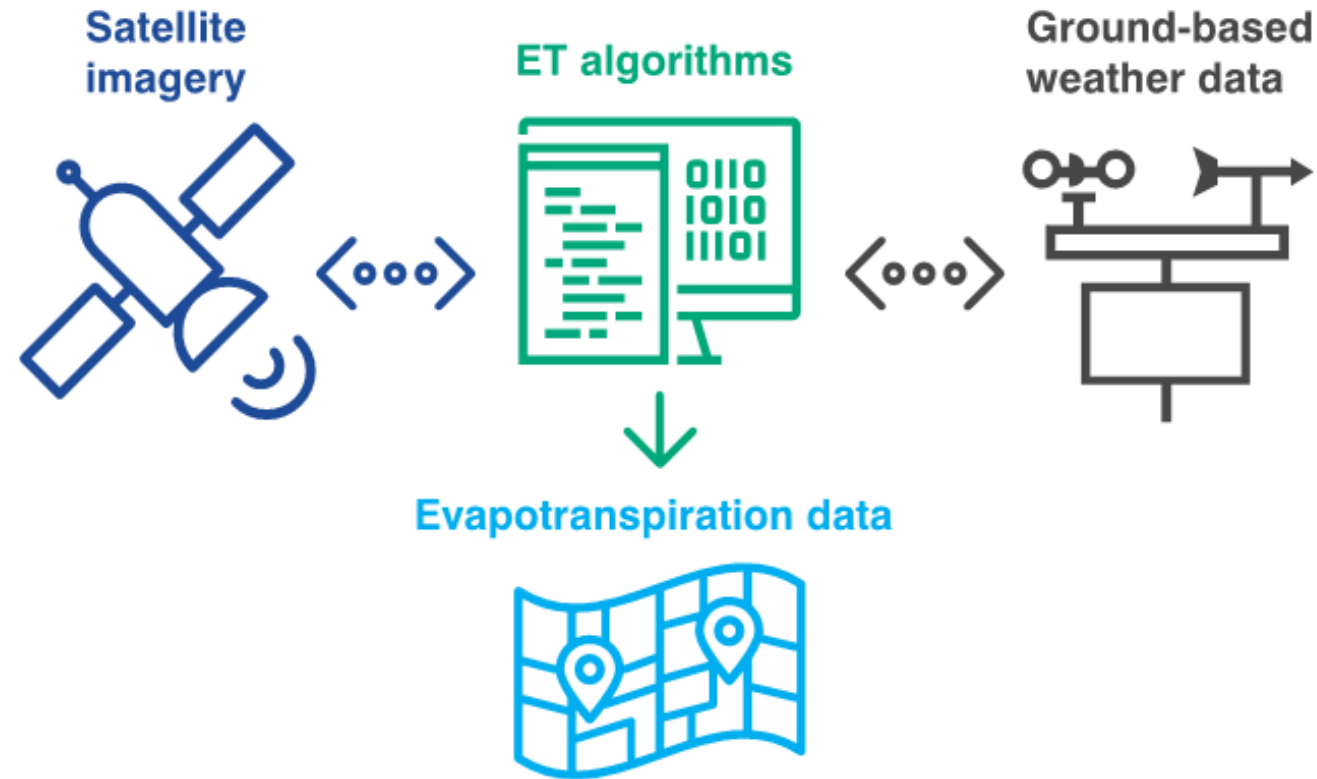
Water use in agriculture is challenging to measure




Water applied to a field does one of four things:

1. Evaporates
2. Transpires (after being used by plants to grow)
3. Recharges groundwater basins
4. Runs off and returns to a local canal or river

There is a proven method for measuring ET, but...



Why is OpenET Needed?

Access to ET Information	Today	 With OpenET
Cost	High	Low
Comparability and Trust	Variable	High
Scope	Limited	Broad
Accessibility	Low	High

Project Goals: OpenET envisions a future in which...



Reliable ET data are produced and available at low cost, and **easily accessible via etdata.org** for any area within the Western US.

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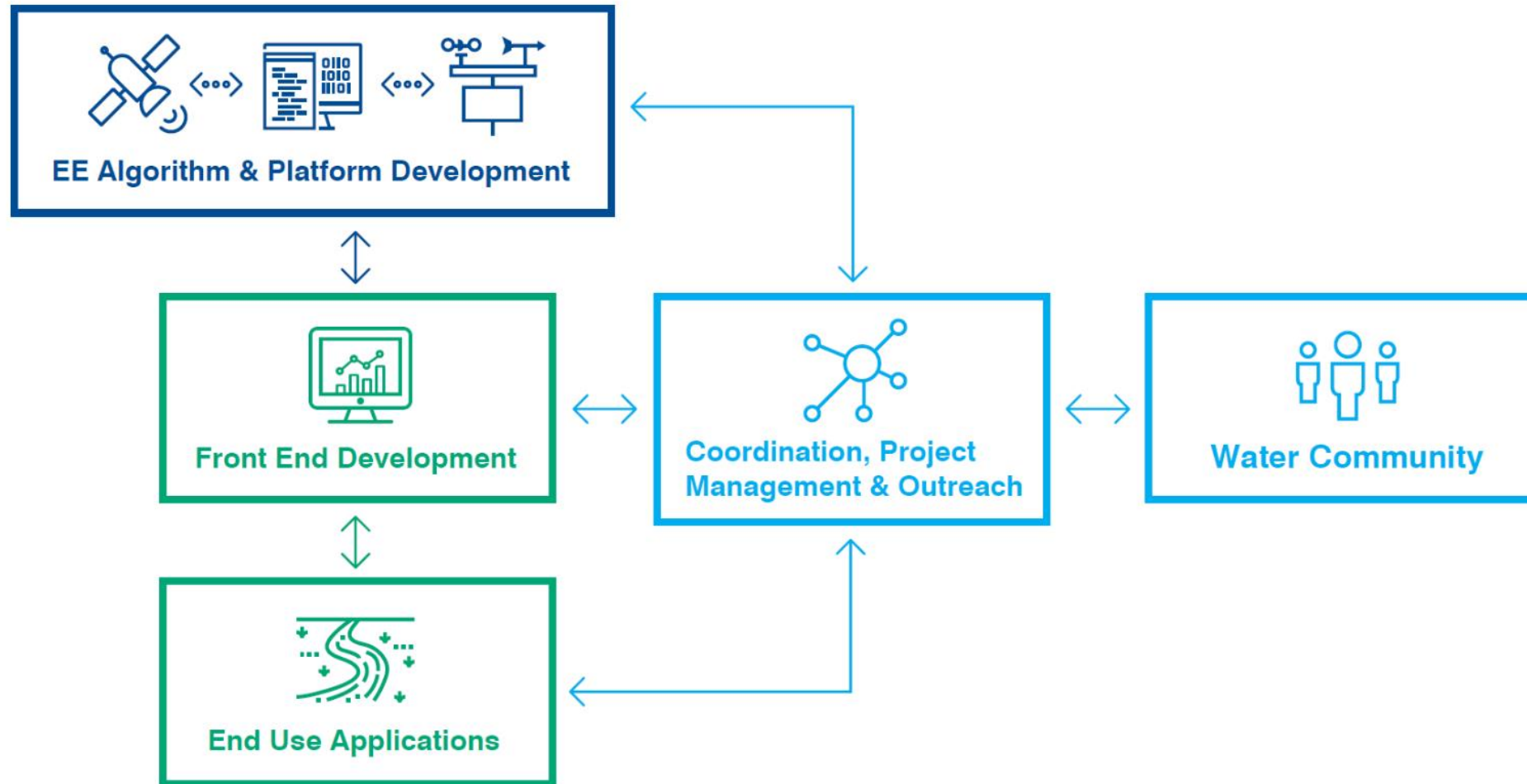
There is trust in the validity of the data and information provided by the platform, and it is utilized by private and public resource managers at the local, state and federal levels.

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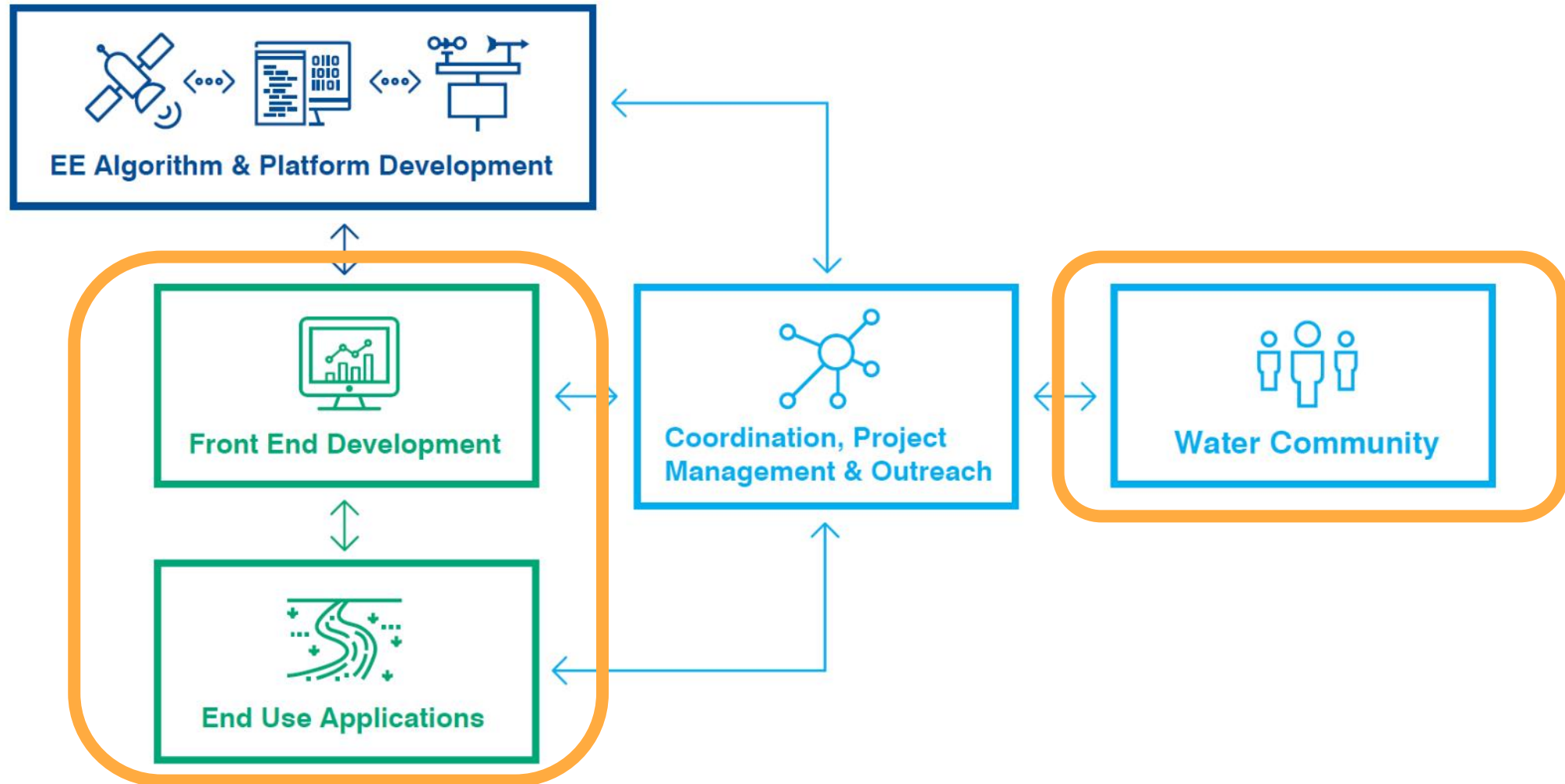


A variety of **sustainable resource management practices are enabled** at a much larger scale than is currently possible

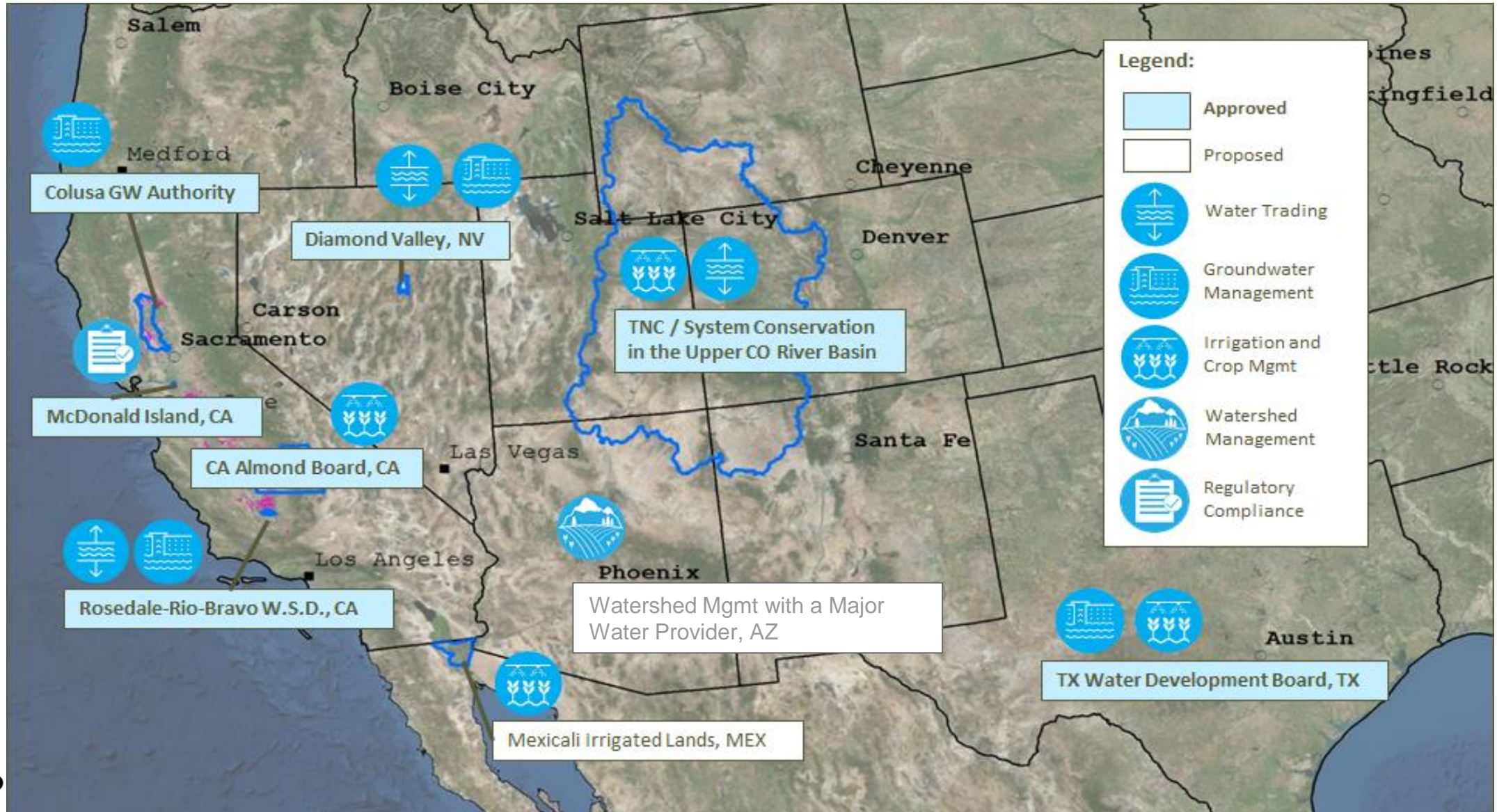
Project Design and Execution



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OpenET Use Cases will Guide Development



Partnering with experts to guide development

California Working Group - Organizations Represented

1. CA Farm Bureau Federation
2. CA Dept of Food and Ag
3. Sustainable Conservation
4. Gallo
5. CA State Water Resources Control Board
6. UC Ag Issues Center
7. David's Engineering
8. Governor's Office of Planning and Research
9. CA Dept of Water Resources

Colorado River Basin Working Group - Organizations Represented

1. Audubon
2. Wyoming Office of Engineers
3. Metropolitan Water District
4. Arizona Dept of Water Resources
5. Wilson Water Group
6. Utah State Univ.
7. Nevada Division of Water Resources
8. New Mexico Office of the State Engineer
9. US Bureau of Reclamation
10. Utah Division of Water Resources

Search



▼ Date Range

▼ Time Interval

▼ Model

▼ Data Layer



Location: 34.993, 78.321

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Models

- ☒ Ensemble
- ☒ Range (all models)

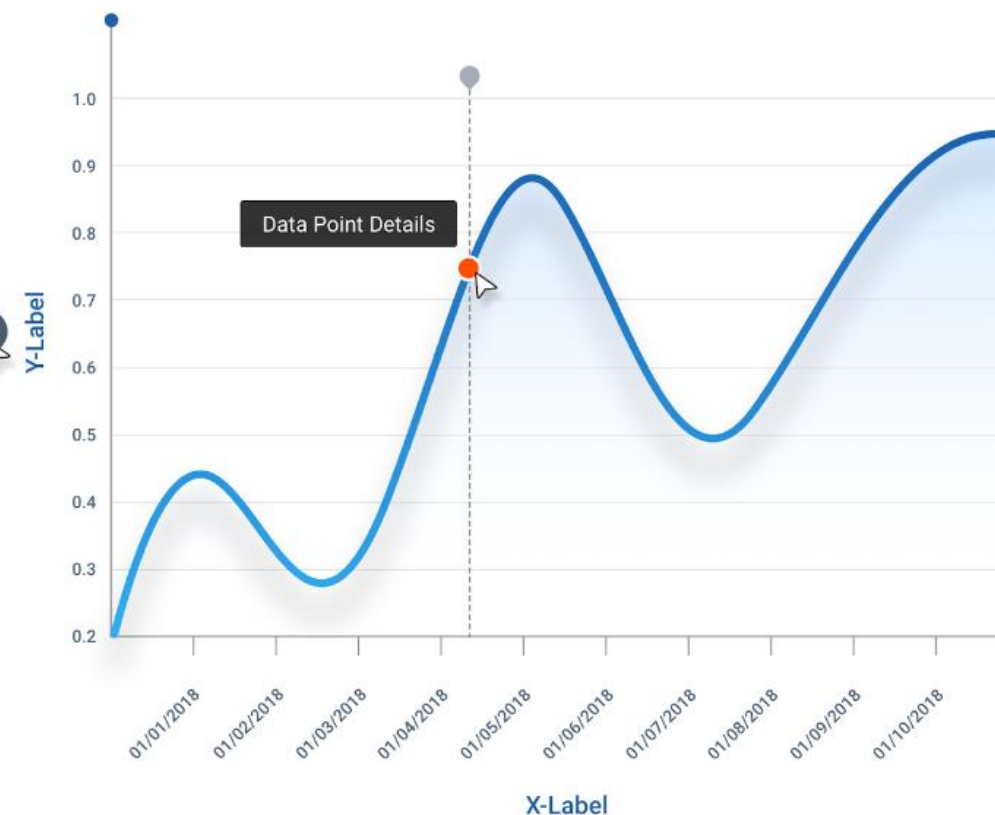
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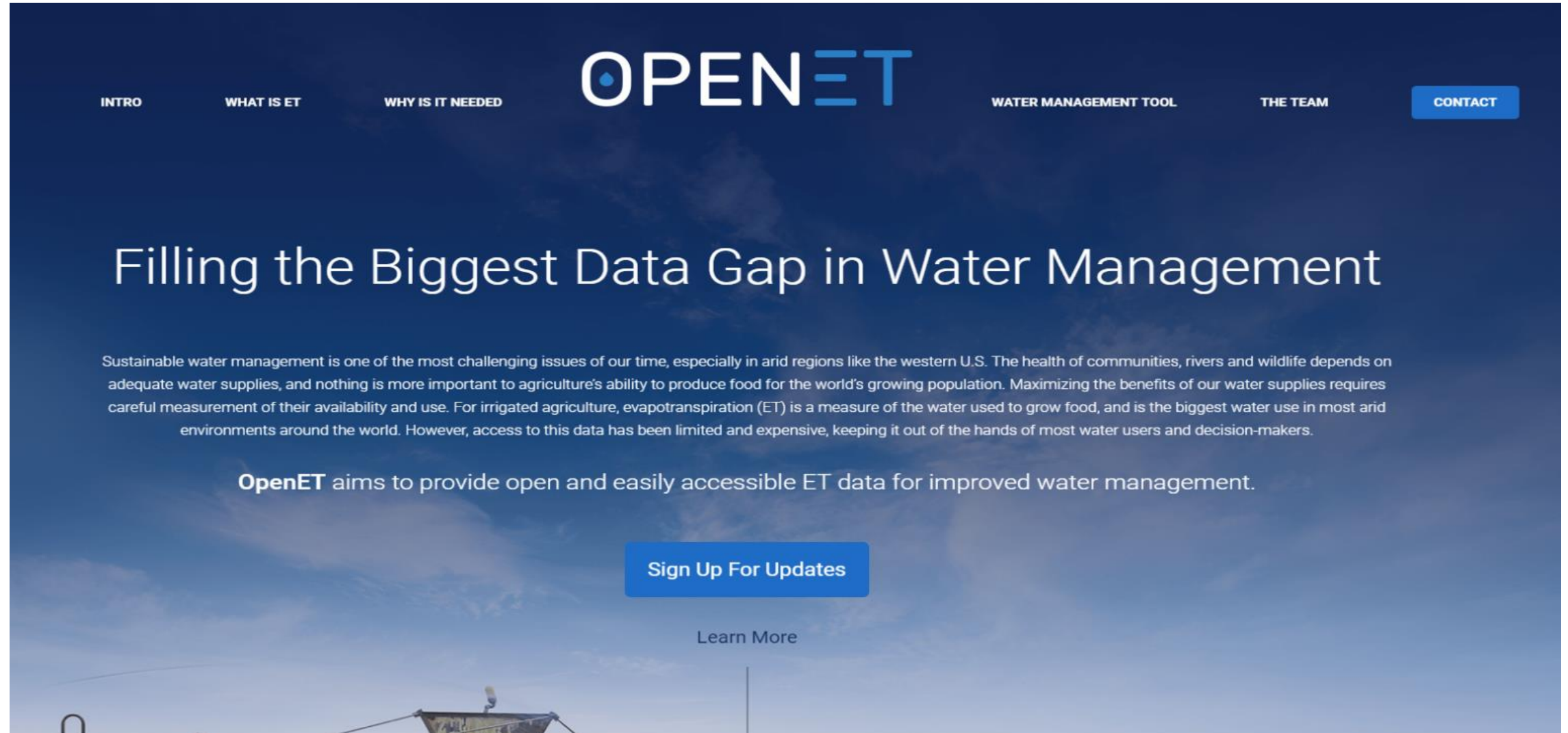
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Networking Lunch

Tables will be organized by key topics, please find a seat at a table of interest to you



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Small System Regionalization: Policies, Tools, & Technology to Meet Rural Water Needs

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Blanca Surgeon, Building Rural Economies Coordinator

Rural Community Assistance Corporate

Moderator: Radhika Fox, Chief Operations Officer, U.S. Water Alliance

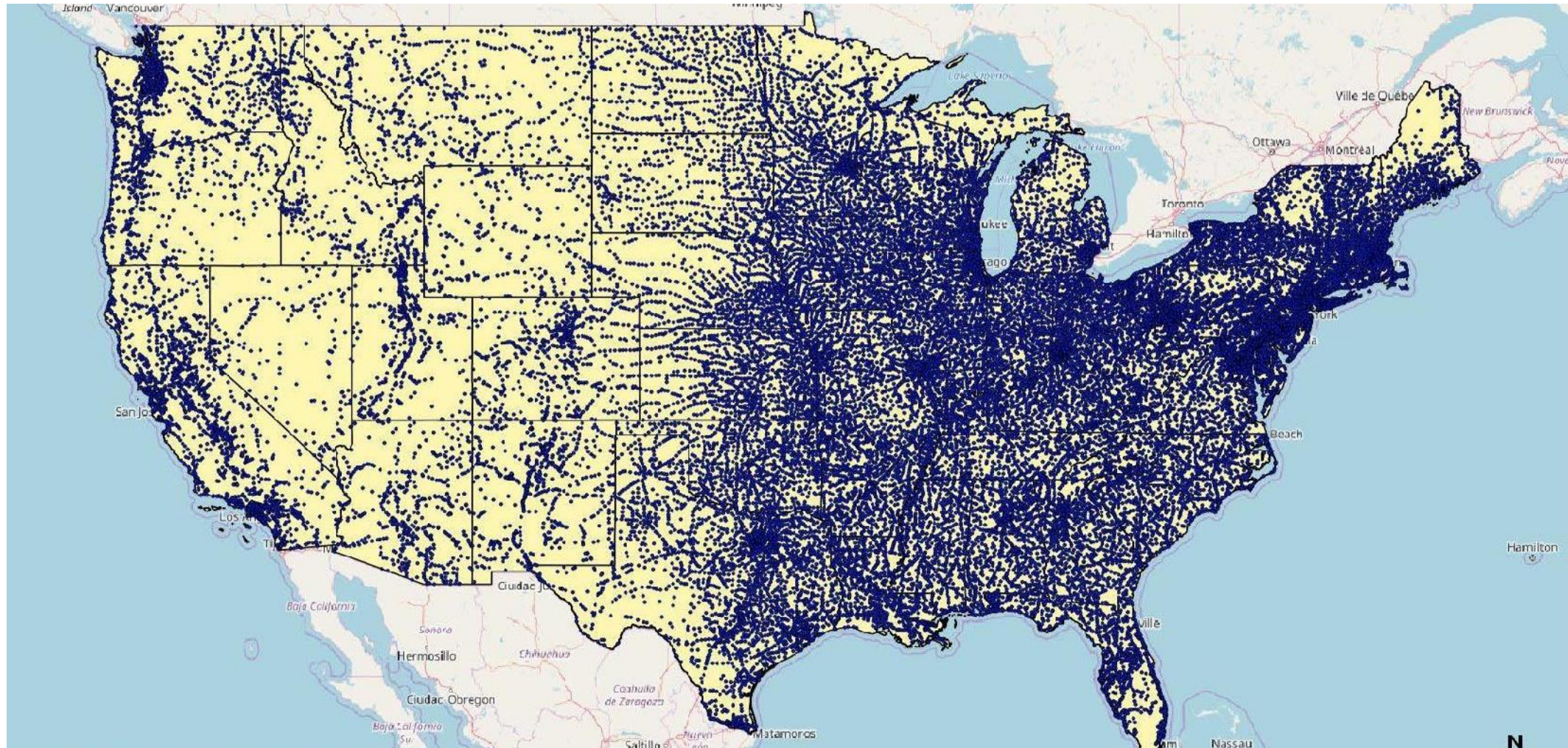


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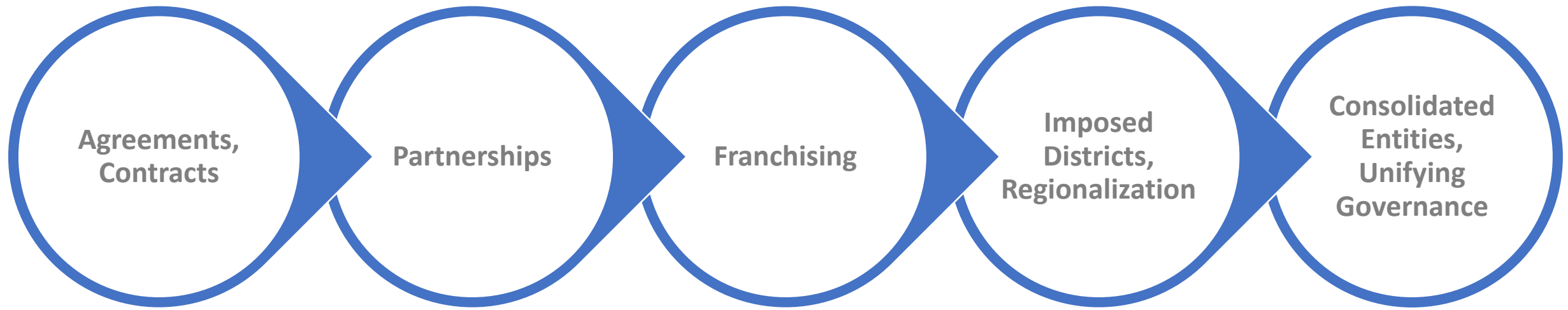
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The fragmented state of the water sector



A spectrum of solutions



**Individual Utility
Autonomy**

**Full Legal
Consolidation**

5 Guiding Principles: Utility Strengthening Through Regionalization

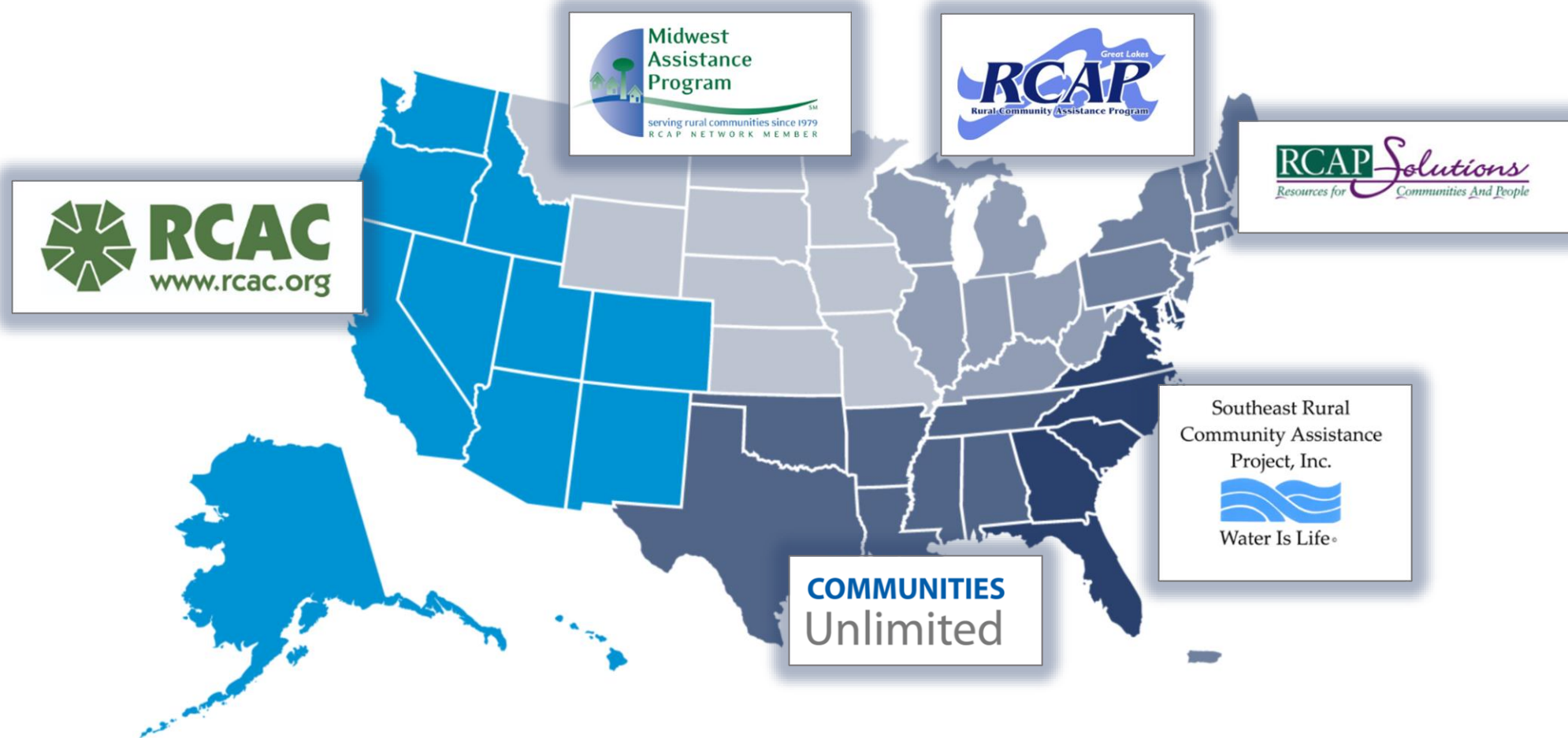




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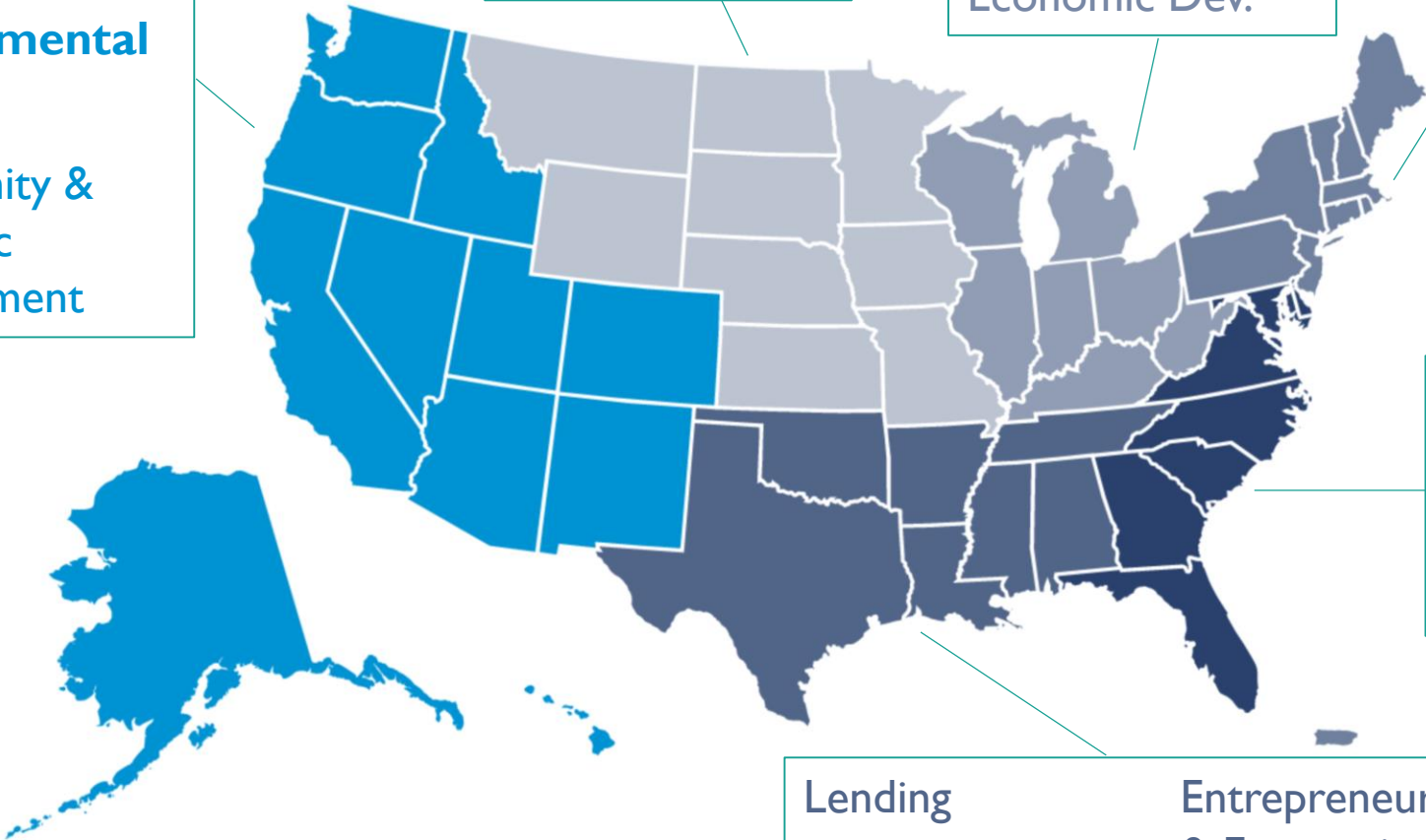
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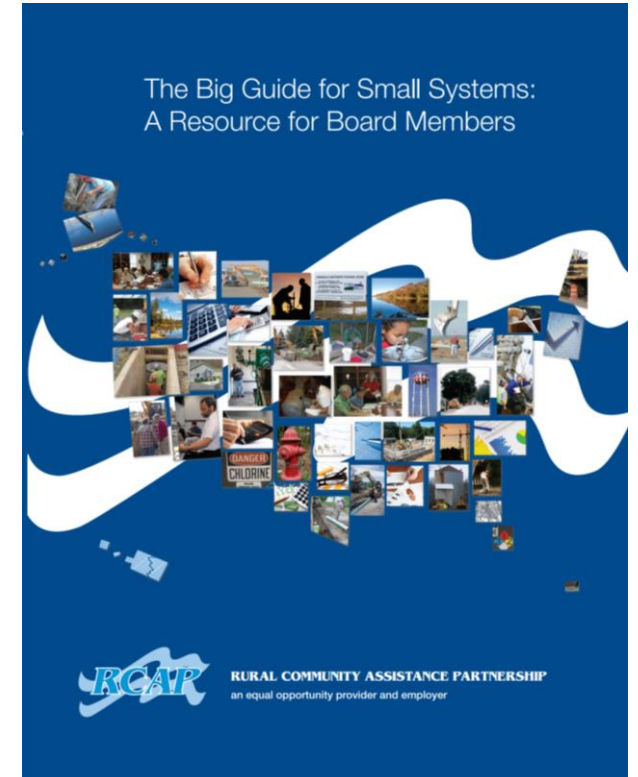
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Coordination
of tools,
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RESEARCH

- **Regionalization**
a national picture
- **Technical,
Managerial and
Financial
Outcomes**

SUMMITS

- **NGA Water Policy**
- **Water Affordability**



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Breakout Sessions

State Level Action to Address Drinking Water Contamination

**Mike Zimmer, Cabinet Directors,
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Snyder**

**Alex Schaefer, Legislative Director,
Government Relations, Natural
Resources Committee, National
Governors Association**

Combating the Cyber Threat to Water Infrastructure

**Travis L. McLing
Energy Water and Chem-Bio Lead
Idaho National Laboratory
The Center for Advanced Energy Studies**

**Sarah Leeper
Vice President & General Council
California Americans Water, Hawaii American
Water**



Finance Innovation: Using Environmental Impact Bonds to Attract Private Capital & Share Performance Risk

Eric Letsinger
Chief Executive Officer
Quantified Ventures

Moderator: Benjamin H. Grumbles, Secretary of Environment, Maryland



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Beneficial Uses of Stormwater & Reducing the Cost of Pollution Controls

Annalisa Kihara, STORMS Unit Chief, Division of Water Quality, California State Water Resources Control Board

Kara M. Boyles, City Engineer, City of South Bend

Dr. Stephen Weisberg, Executive Director, Southern California Costal Water Research Project

Moderator: Bevin Buchheister, National Governors Association



Stormwater Capture and Use in California

2018 Annual Water Policy Institute

September 12, 2018

Annalisa Kihara, PE
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Presentation Outline



1. Setting the Stormwater Stage
2. How the California Water Boards are rethinking stormwater management – Stormwater Strategy (STORMS)
3. Efforts Supporting Stormwater Capture and Use in California

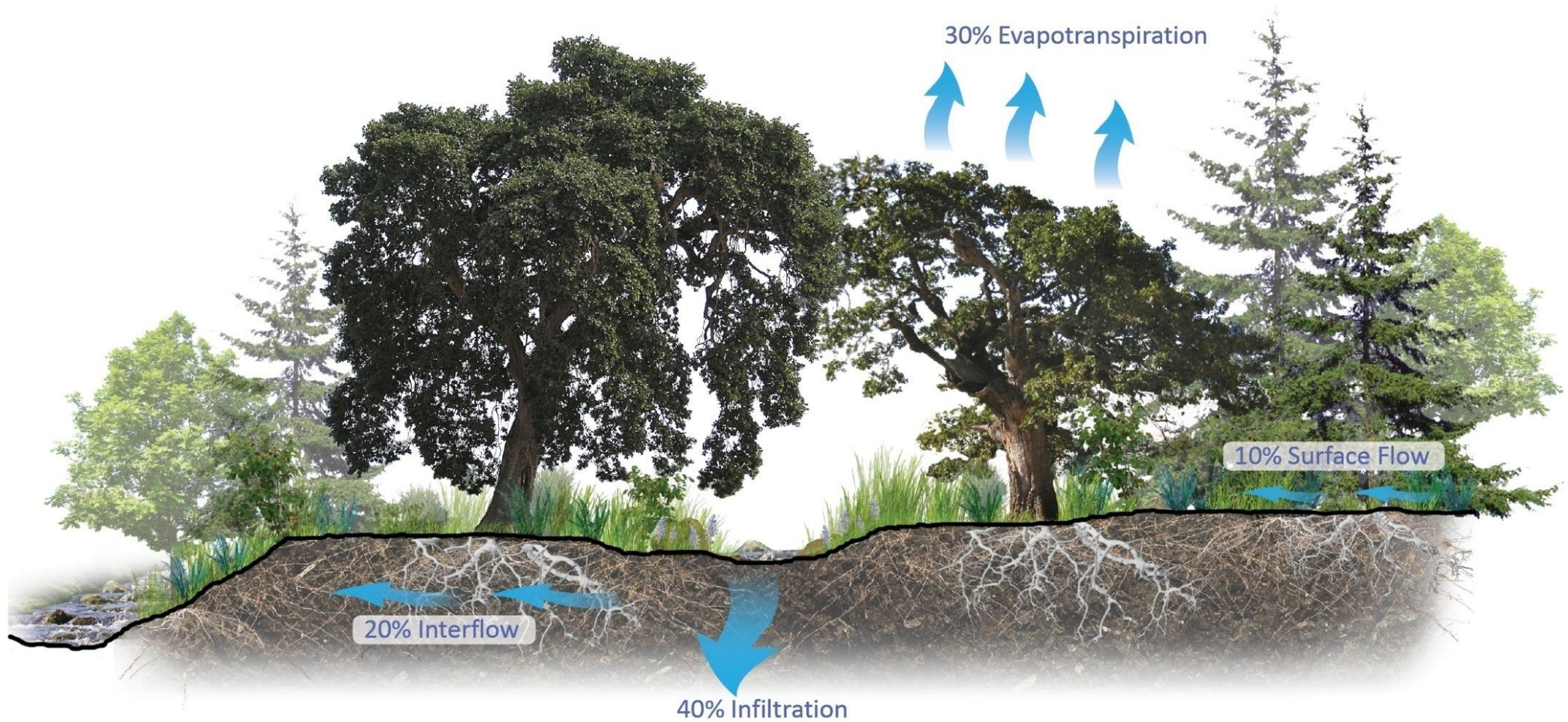


PART 1

Setting the Stormwater Stage



Hydrologic Cycle in the Natural Landscape



Hydrologic Cycle in the Urban Environment

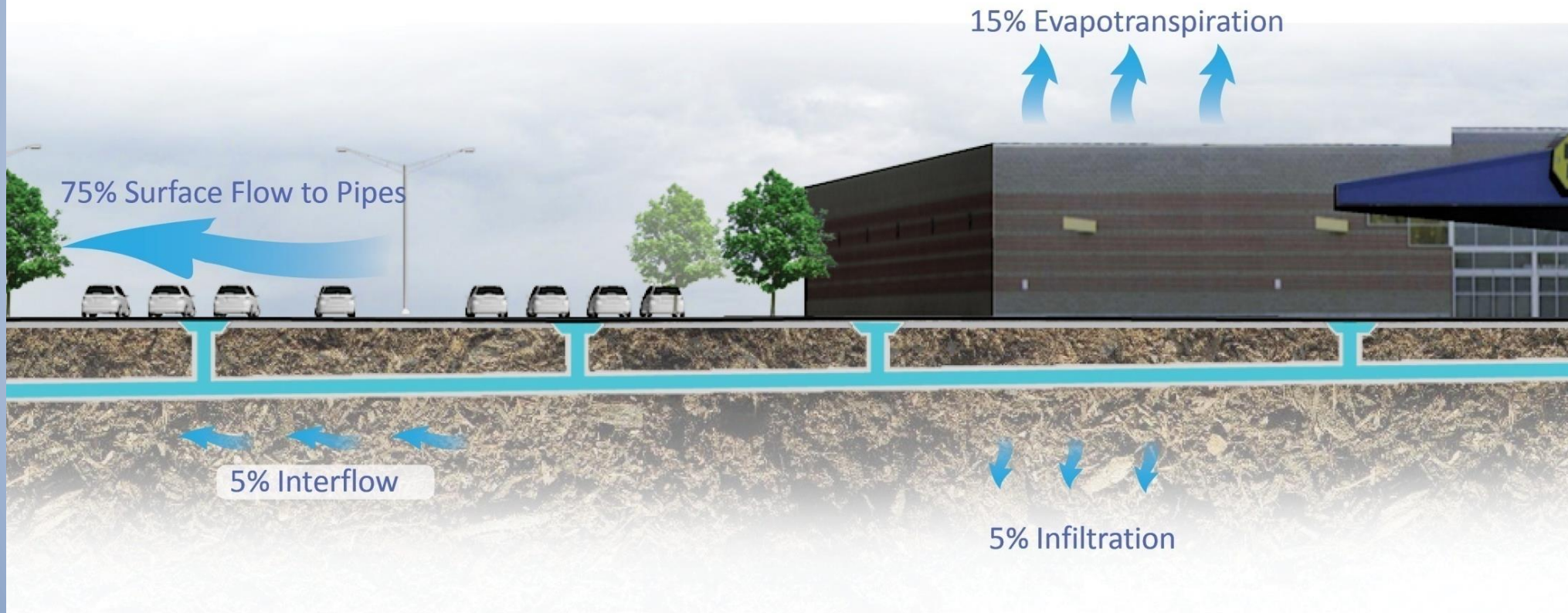


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Setting the Stormwater Stage

Stormwater Runoff Mobilizes Contaminants

To name a few...

- Trash
- Sediments
- Metals
- Nutrients
- Oil and Grease
- Pesticides
- Temperature



Setting the Stormwater Stage



Conventional Management Devalues Water

PART 2

California Water Boards – Rethinking Stormwater Management



Revisit to Stormwater Management



California drought

**Continued water
quality issues**

**California Water
Action Plan (2014)-
calls for multi-benefit
stormwater solutions**



Vision:

Storm Water is sustainably managed and utilized in California to support water quality and water availability for human uses as well as the environment.

Mission:

To lead the evolution of storm water management in California by **advancing the perspective that storm water is a valuable resource**, supporting policies for collaborative watershed-level storm water management and pollution prevention, removing obstacles to funding, developing resources, and integrating regulatory and non-regulatory interests.

Change the perspective of storm water from a nuisance or hazard...

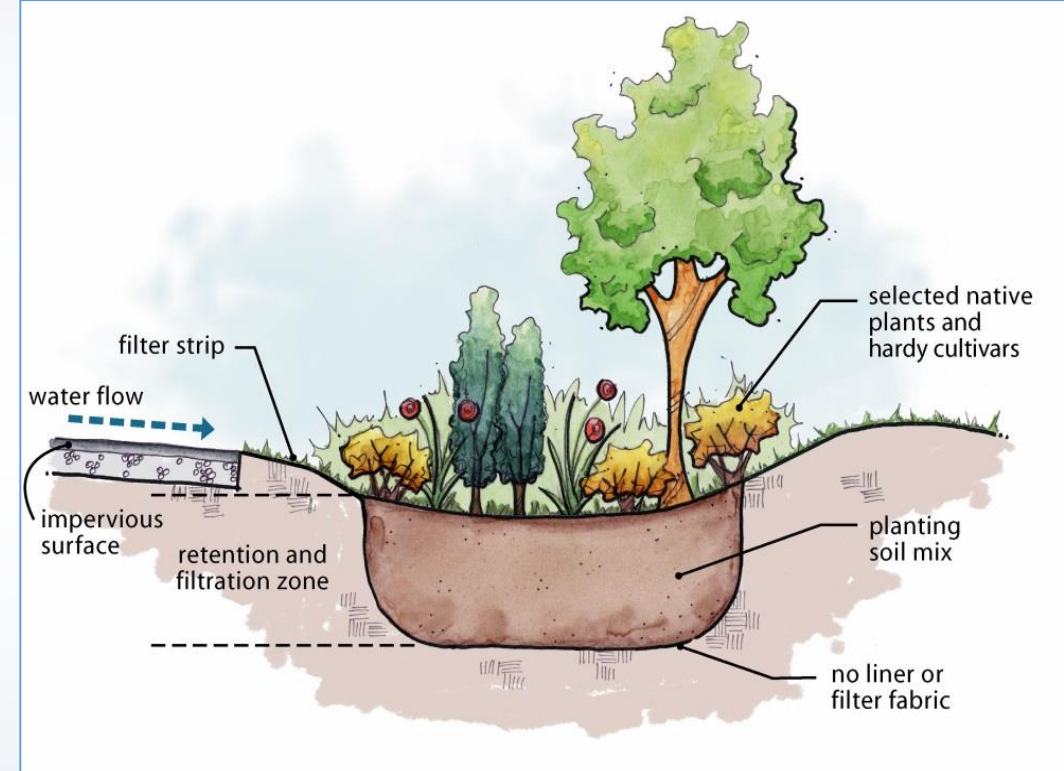


The Day After Tomorrow, 2004

...to a valuable water resource



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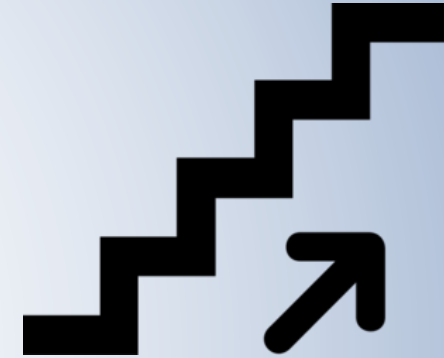


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Projects – 23 Total

PHASE I PROJECTS

- Deliverables and project completion targeted within 4 years of initiation



PHASE II PROJECTS

- Scope and priority will be influenced by lessons learned from Phase I
- Targeted for completion within 8 years of initiating the program

PHASE III PROJECTS

- Targeted for completion within 12 years of initiation the program

Phase I Projects

- 1. Promote Stormwater Capture and Use**
- 2. Eliminate Barriers to Storm Water Capture and Use**
- 3. Develop Guidance for Alternative Compliance Approaches**
- 4. Develop Watershed-Based Compliance and Management Guidelines and Tools**
- 5. Implement Senate Bill 985**
- 6. Eliminate Barriers to Funding Stormwater Programs**
- 7. Storm Water Program “Open Data”**
- 8. Urban Pesticides Amendments**
- 9. Opportunities for Source Control and Pollution Prevention**

PART 3

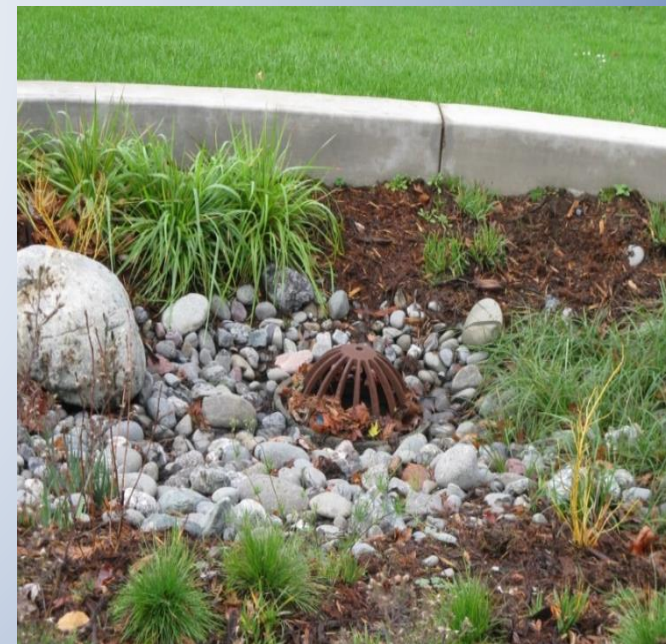
Efforts Supporting Stormwater Capture and Use in California



Stormwater capture and use is important in California:

- Stormwater represents a local and underutilized source
 - Dry weather flow and wet weather (storm) events can represent a significant source of water
 - Potentially over 600,000 acre feet per year (NRDC, Pacific Institute, 2014)
- Reduces pollutant loading in waterways
- Restores depleted aquifers
- Restores natural watershed processes
- Provide for more sustainable water supplies

Common Practices



Other Technologies – Dry Wells

Siting –

- Distance from drinking water wells

Performance Design –

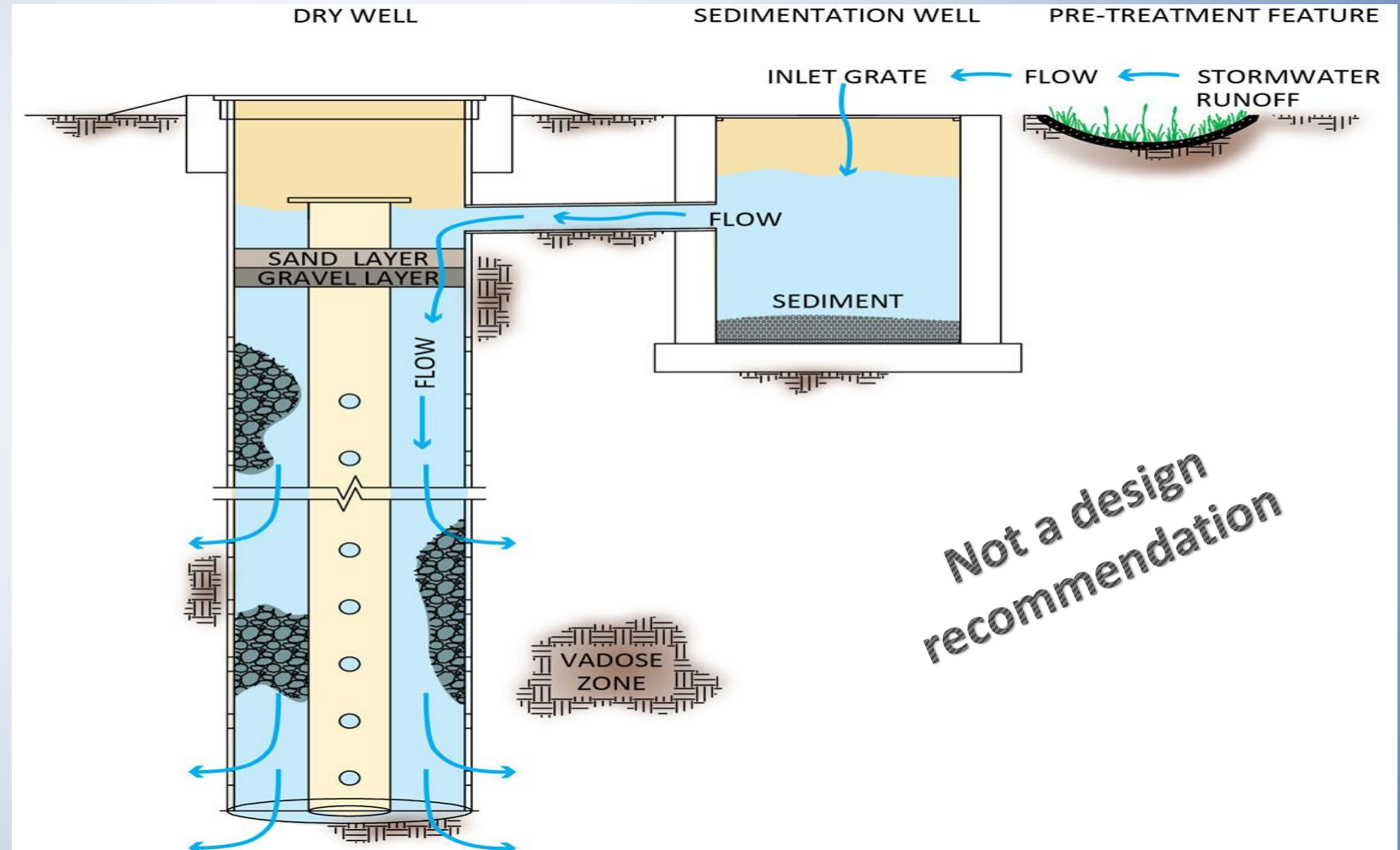
- Infiltration rate

Maintenance -

- Cleaning

Monitoring –

- Which contaminants to measure and how often



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CA Water Board Grant & Loan Programs

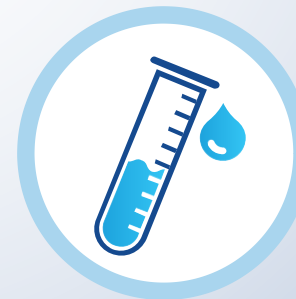
- Proposition 1 Storm Water Grant Program – Multi-Benefit
 - \$200 million in matching grants (Planning & Implementation)
- Annual Clean Water Act section 319(h) Nonpoint Source Funding
- Clean Water State Revolving Fund
 - Low Interest Financing
- **Drinking Water State Revolving Fund**
 - Low Interest Financing
 - Pilot: San Juan Watershed Project
 - Santa Margarita Water District
 - South Coast Water District
 - New Water: 500 – 1,400 AFY



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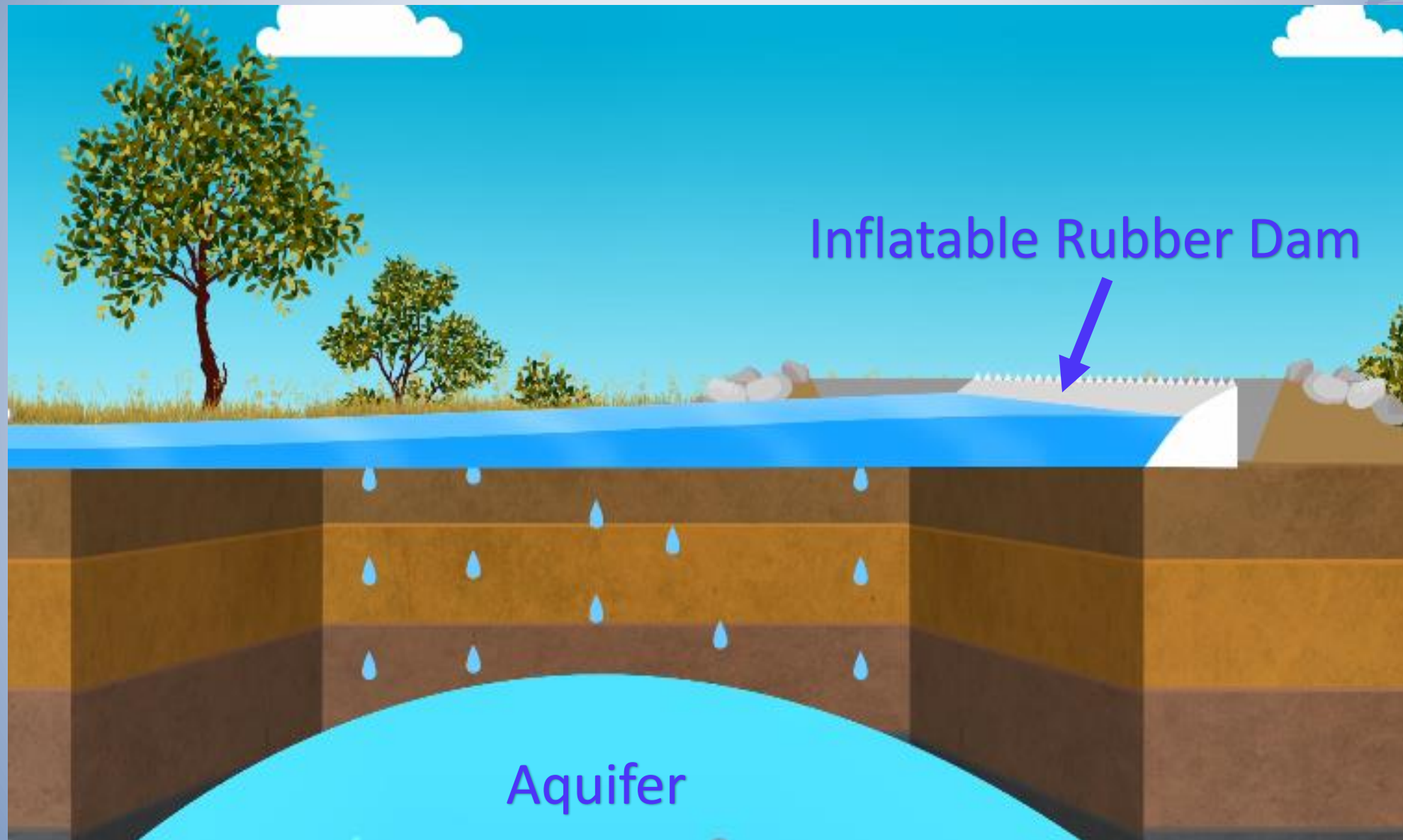
WATER STORAGE



WATER QUALITY



LOCAL SUPPLY



Other Efforts

- Public-Private Partnerships
 - Example: Culver City Costco parking lot expansion
 - City of Los Angeles, City of Culver & Costco Wholesale Corporation
- Outreach material on stormwater program needs and benefits
 - Messaging to public and elected officials



“We always hope for the easy fix: the one simple change that will erase a problem in a stroke. But few things in life work this way. Instead, success requires making a hundred small steps go right – one after the other, no slipups, no goofs, everyone pitching in.”

- Atul Gawande; Better: A Surgeon's Notes on Performance

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Reinventing CSO Solutions

City of South Bend

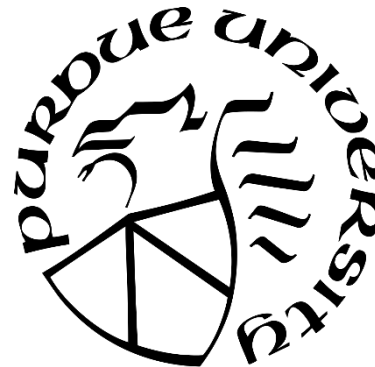
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Smart Sewer Technology: Background

- City – University – Industry Partnership
- Funded in 2004 by the Indiana Economic Development Corp.
- Goal: Use brightest minds and latest technology to solve the CSO problem
- Resources:
 - \$2,000,000
 - 7 Professors: (EE, CE, CE)
 - 14 Grad. Students
 - City of South Bend
 - 2 National CE Firms
 - EmNet, LLC



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Smart Sewer Technology: Overview

Let's maximize what we have!

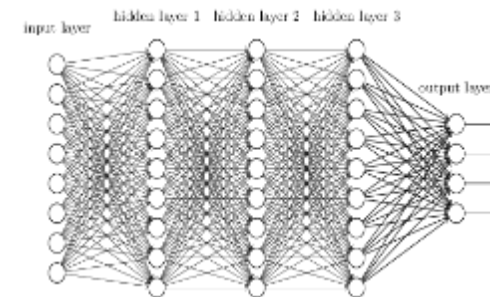
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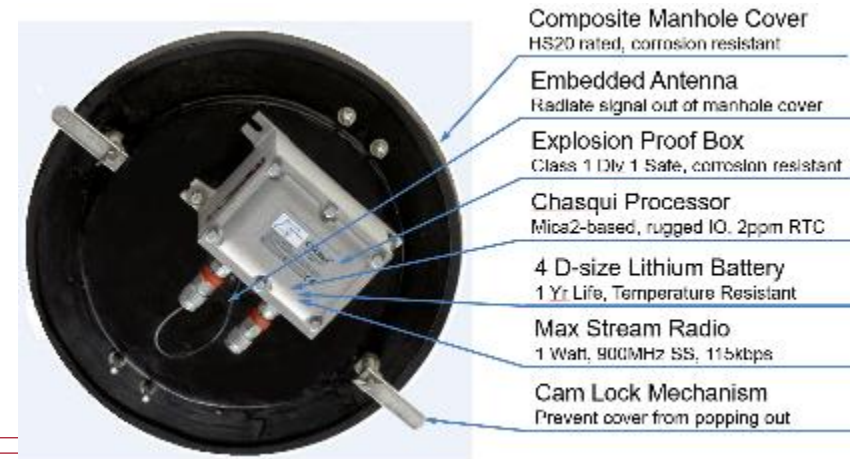
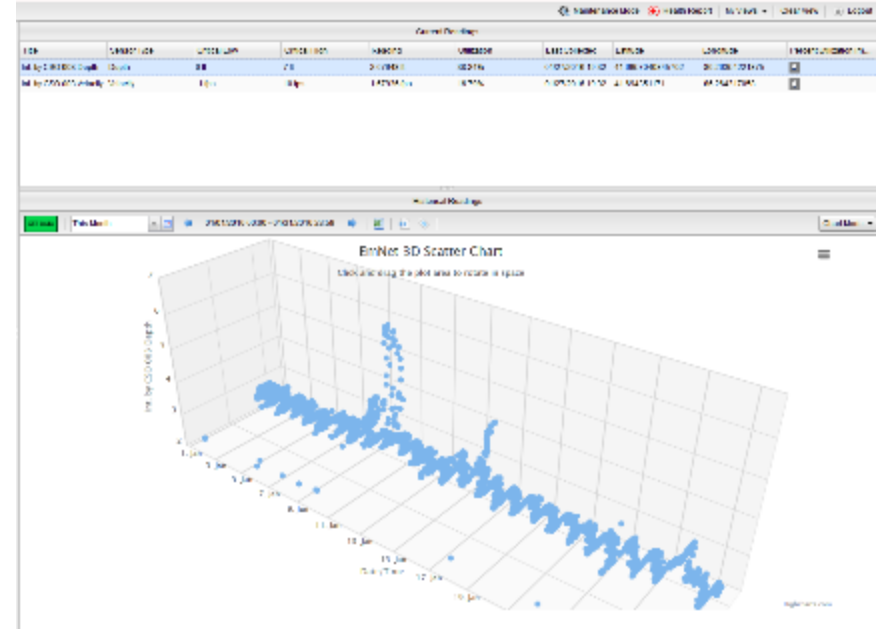
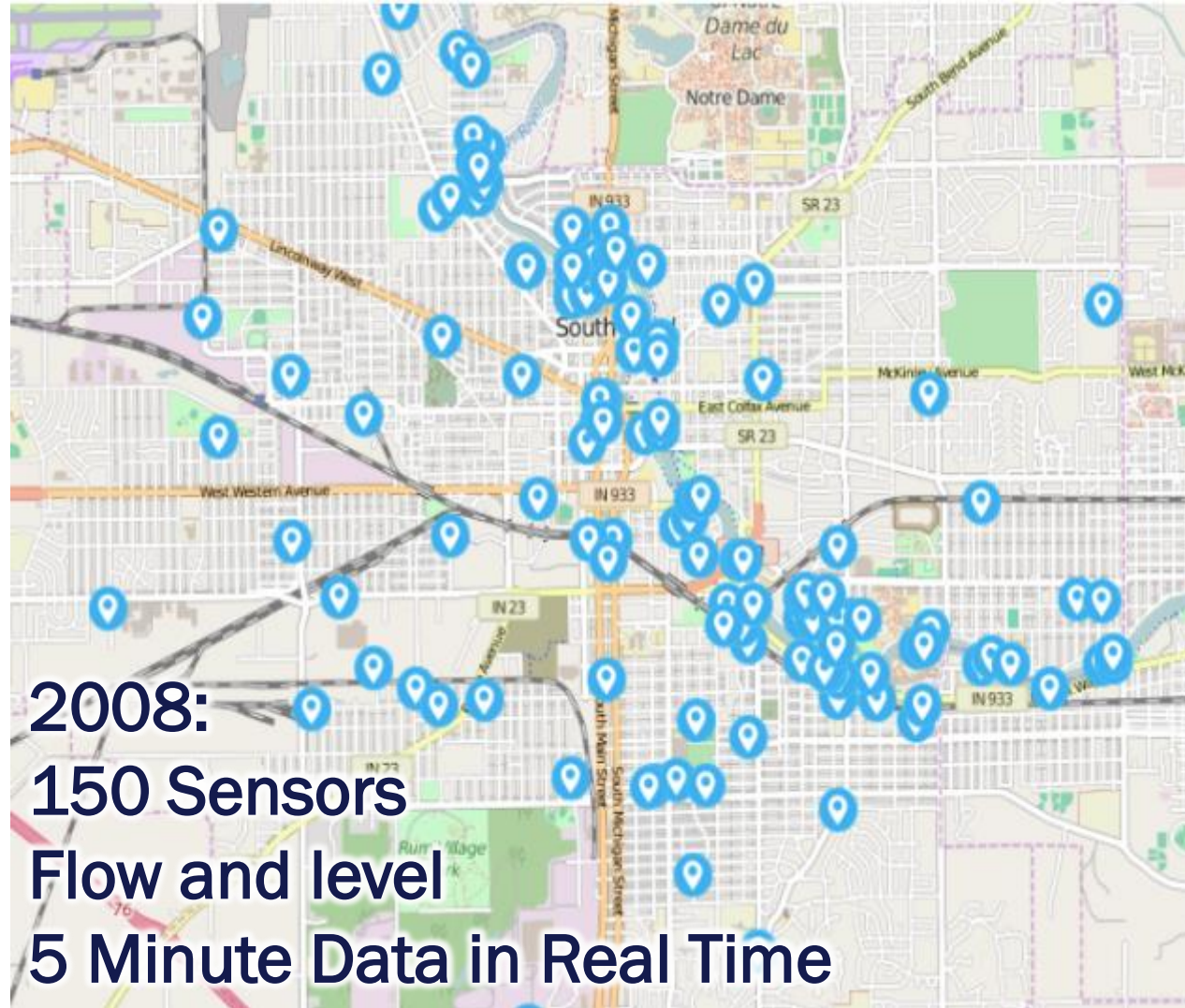
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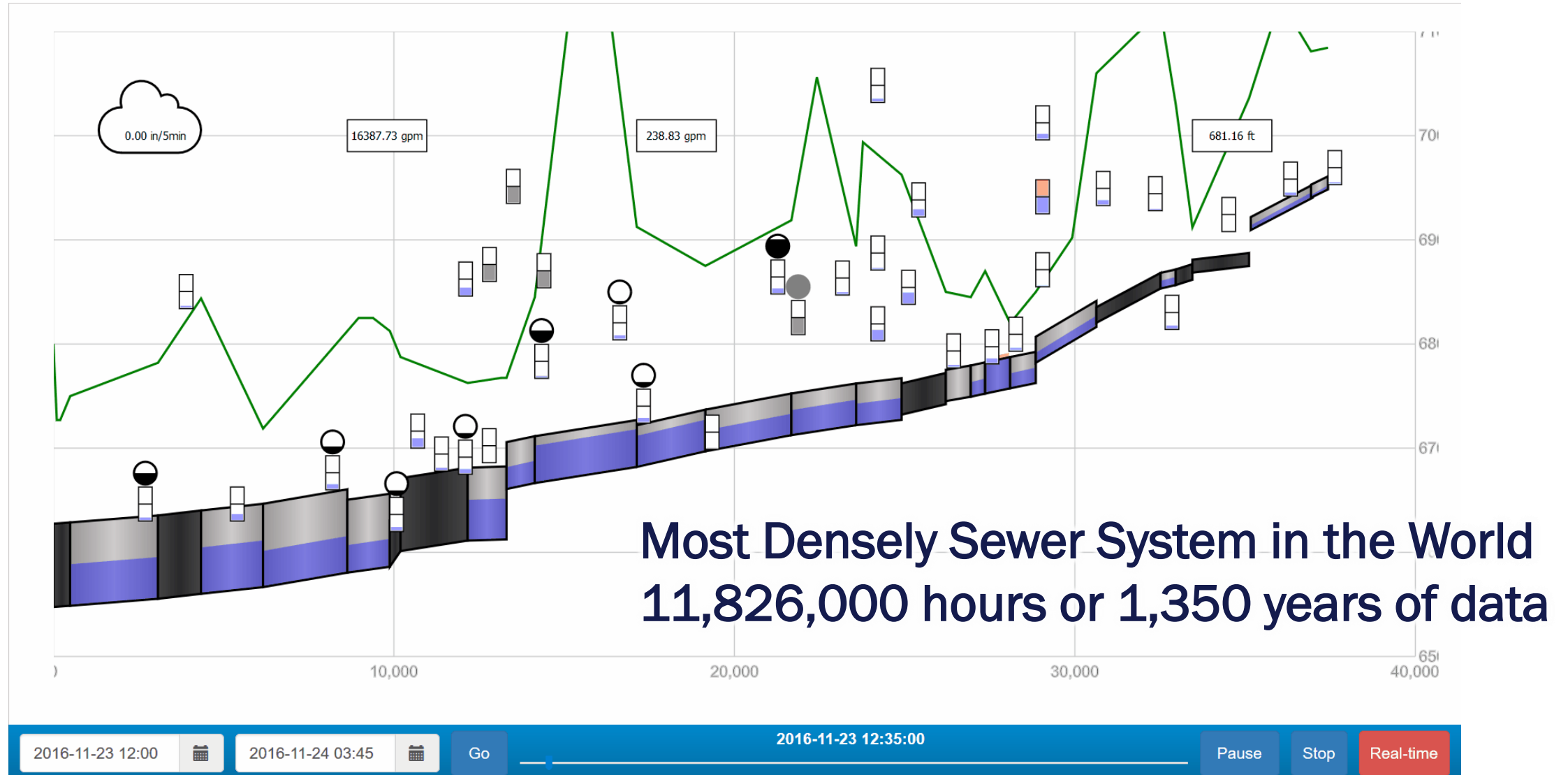
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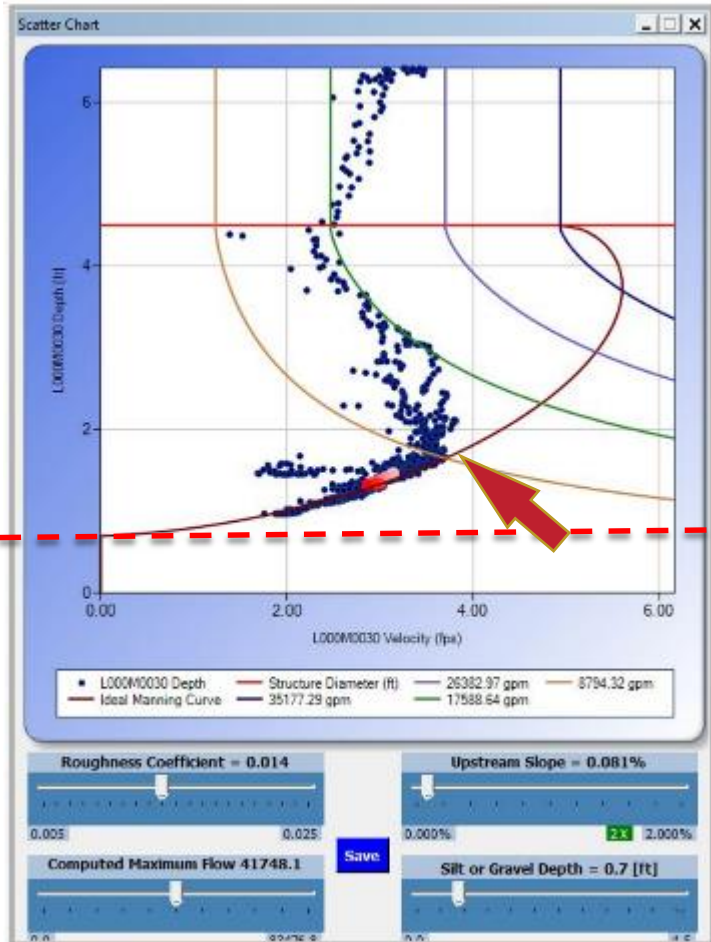
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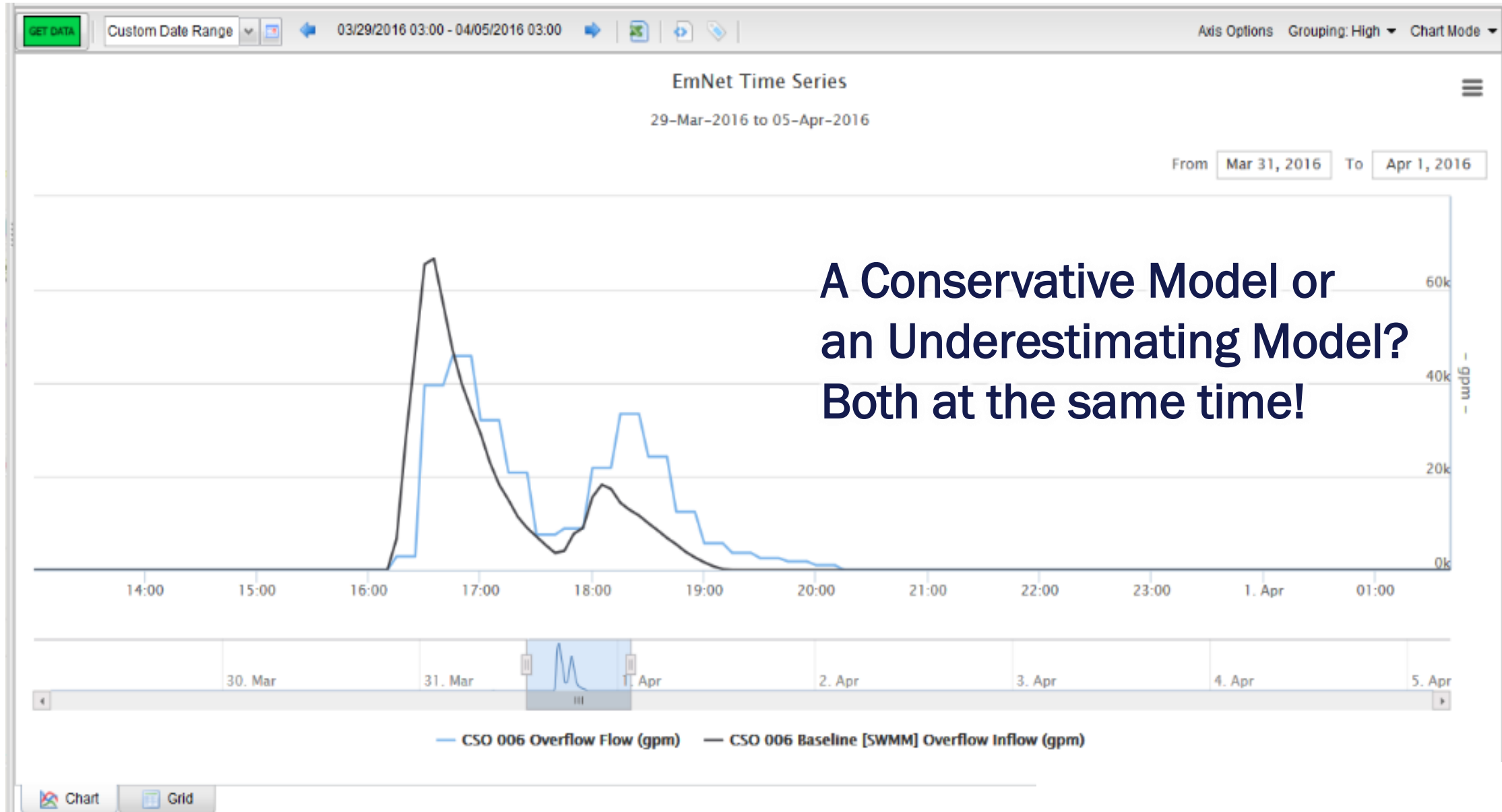
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Modelling; the basis of a LTCP

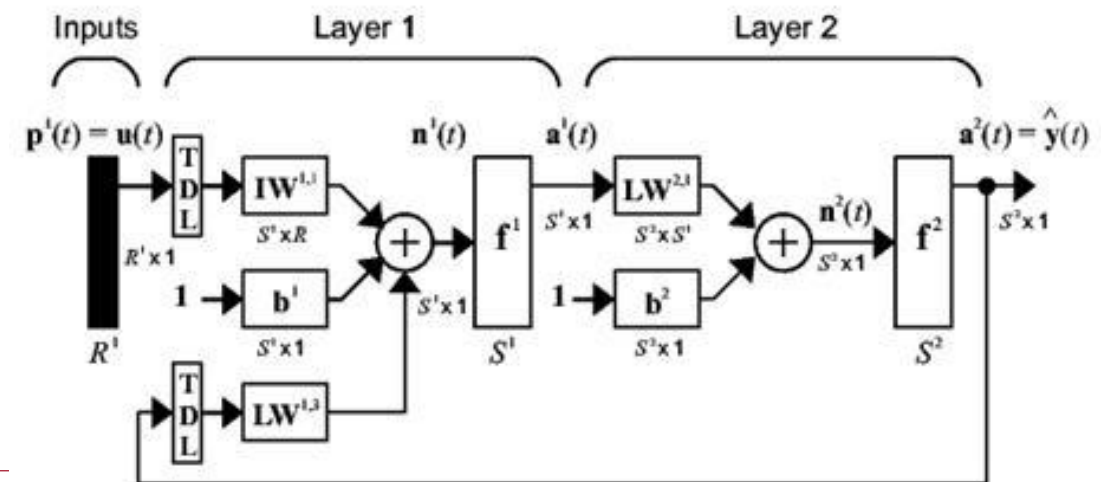
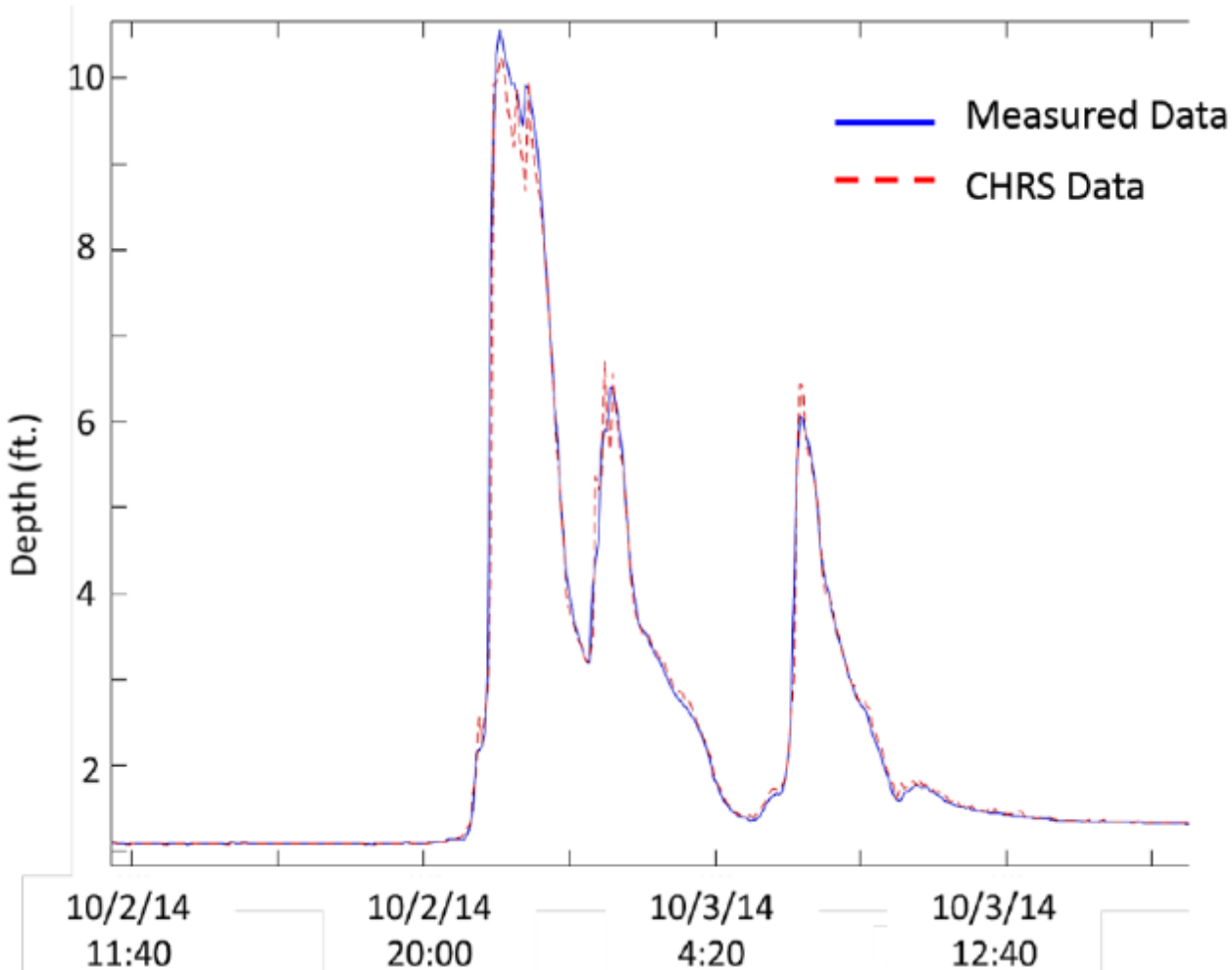


Better Modelling- using real, gathered data.

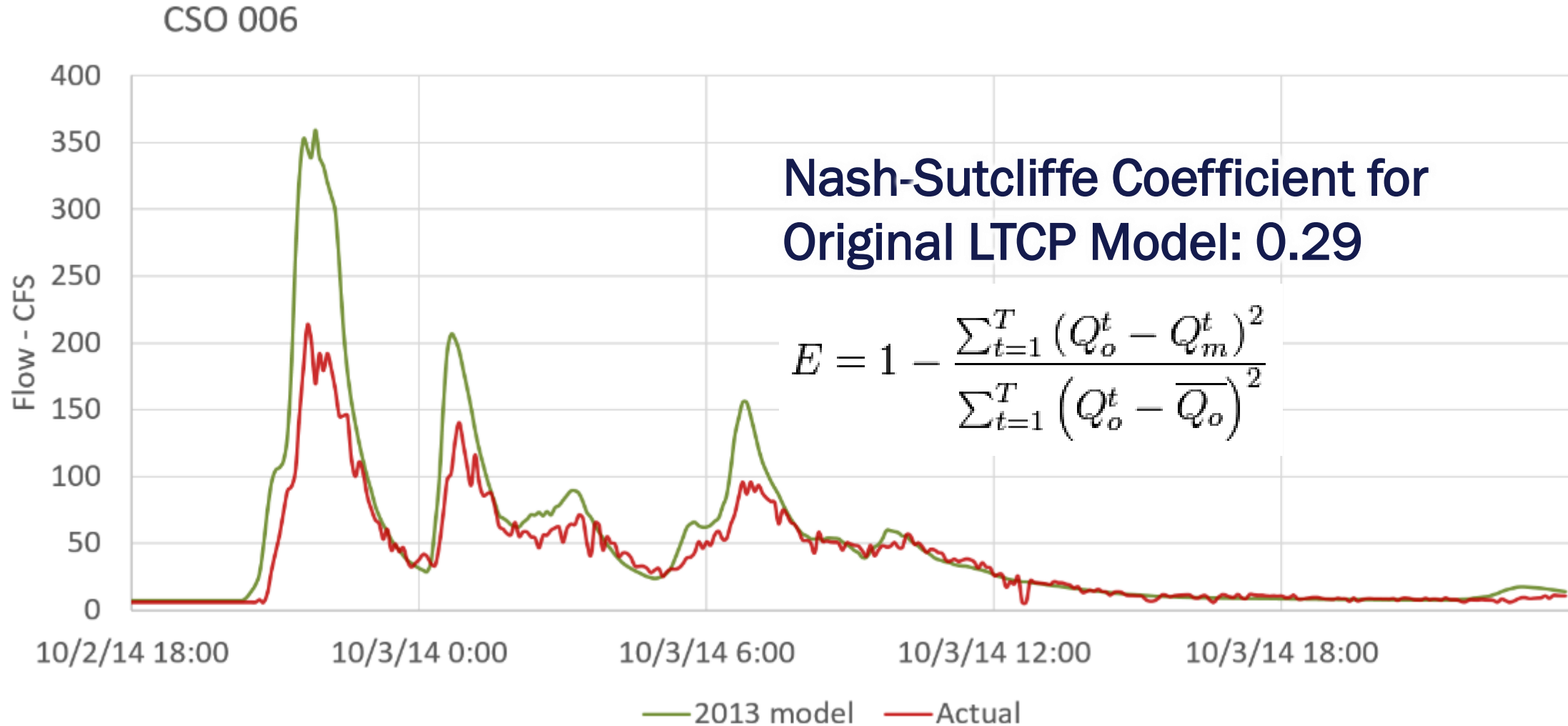
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Cognitive Hydraulic Response System

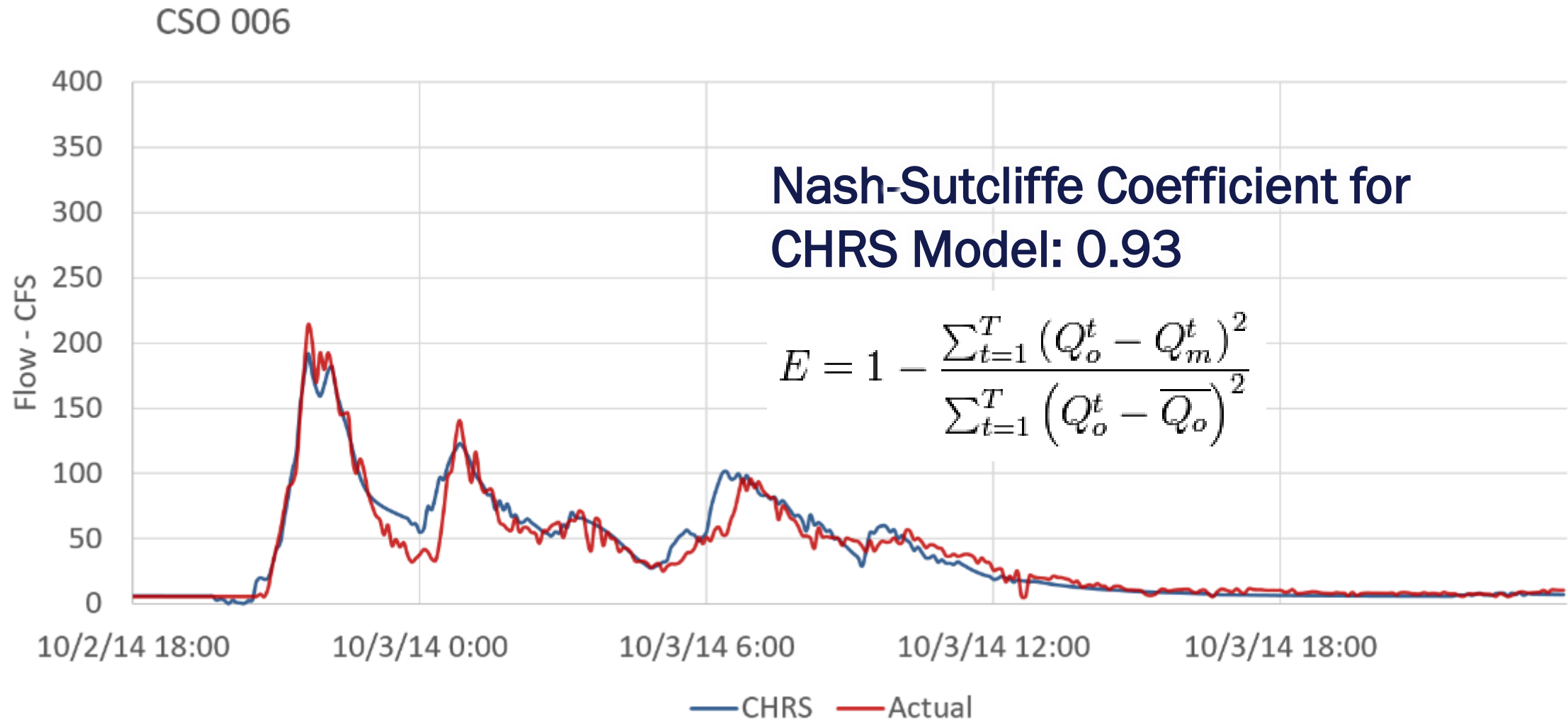
- Uses Artificial Intelligence to create a self-learning, self-calibrating hydraulic model.
- Built in SWMM



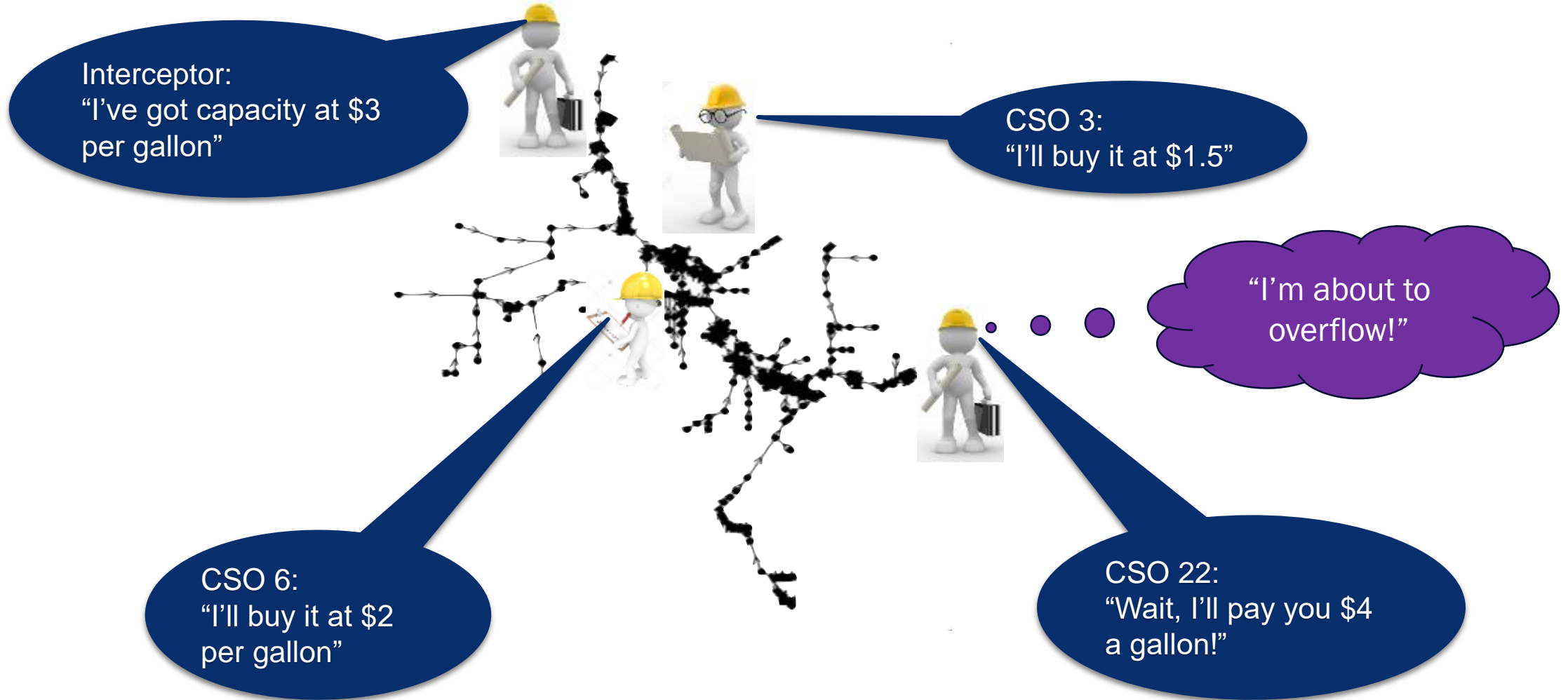
Existing LTCP Model



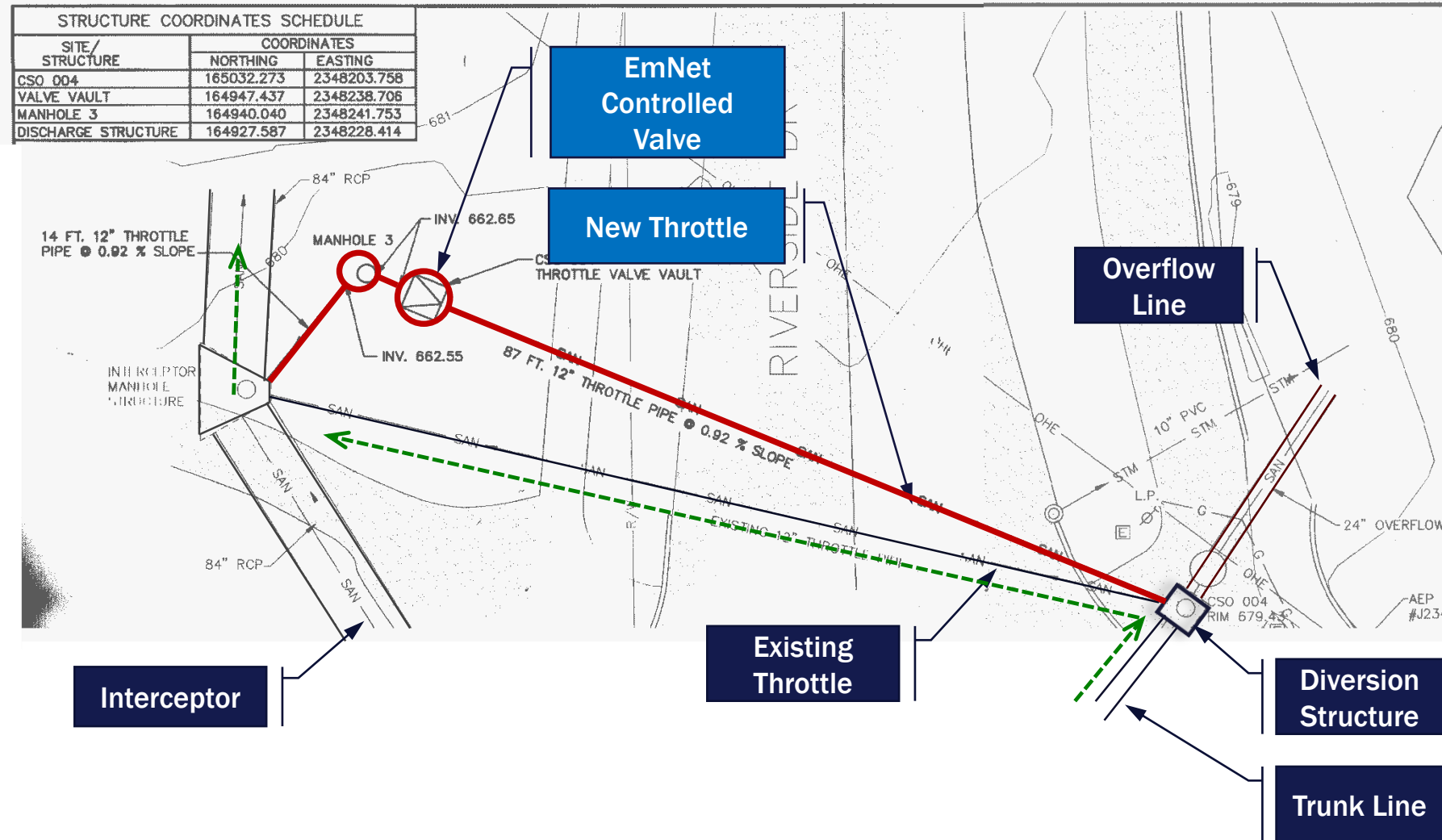
Our new smart sewer derived Model



#3 Operate the Sewershed

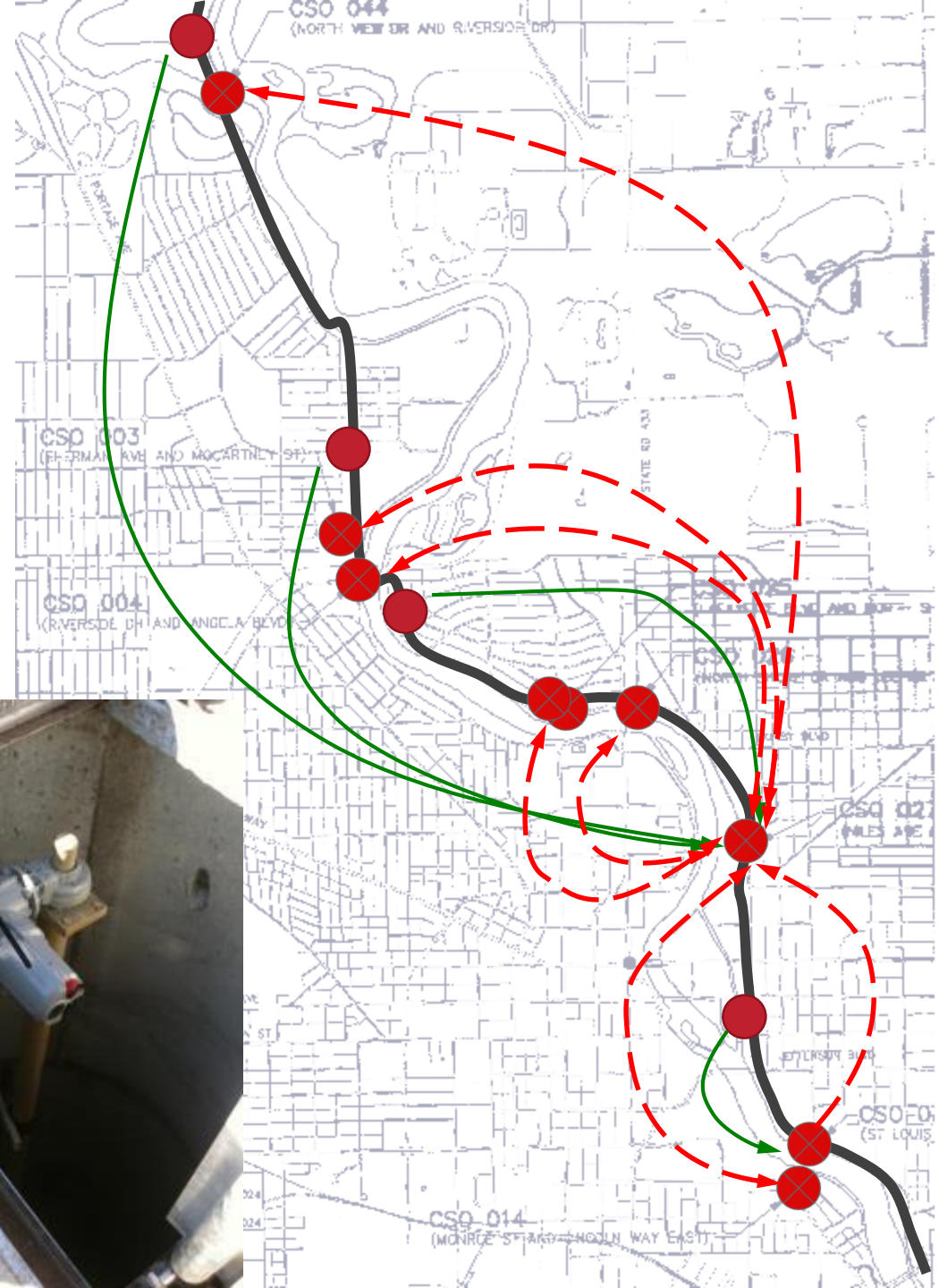


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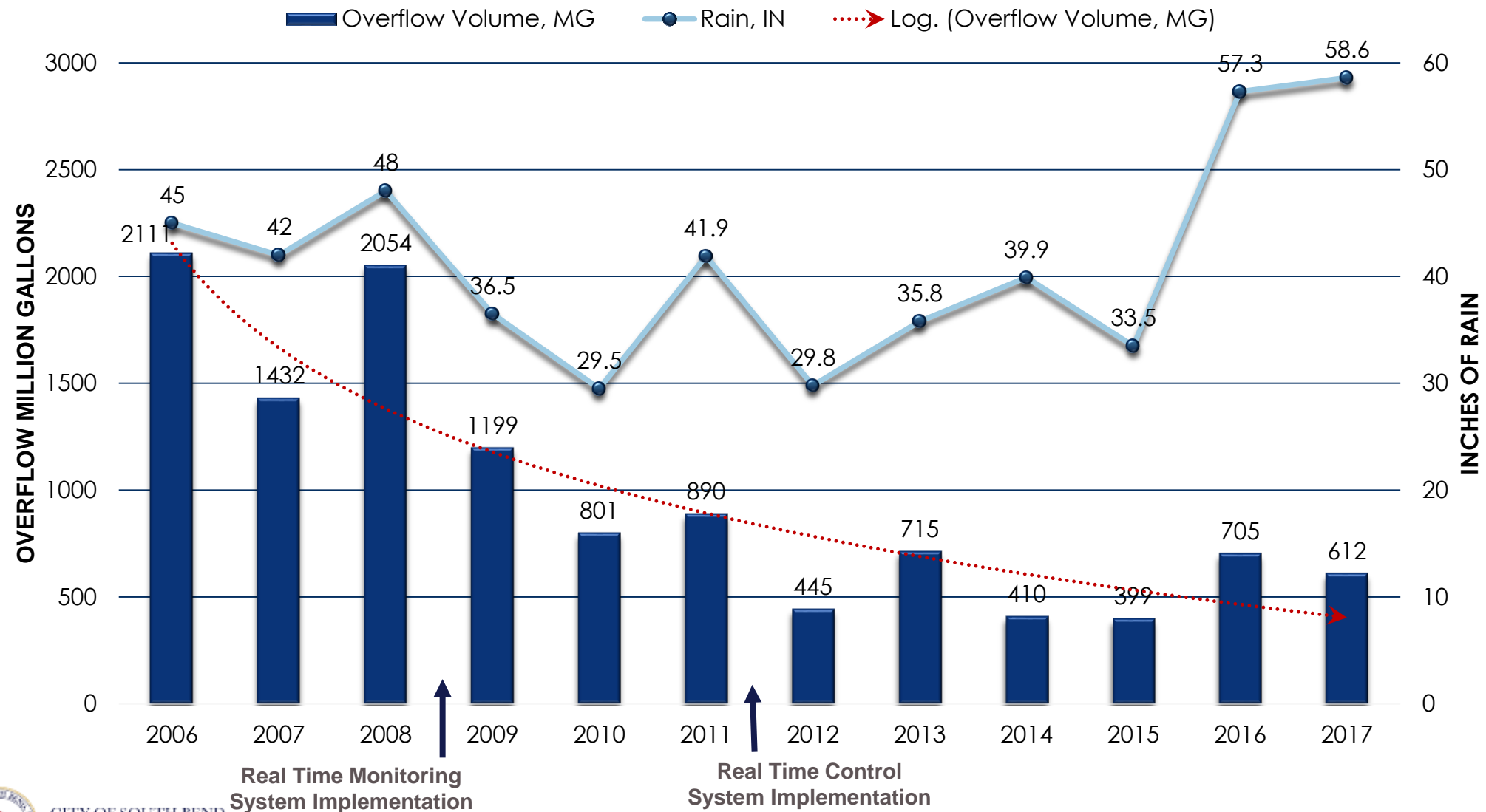


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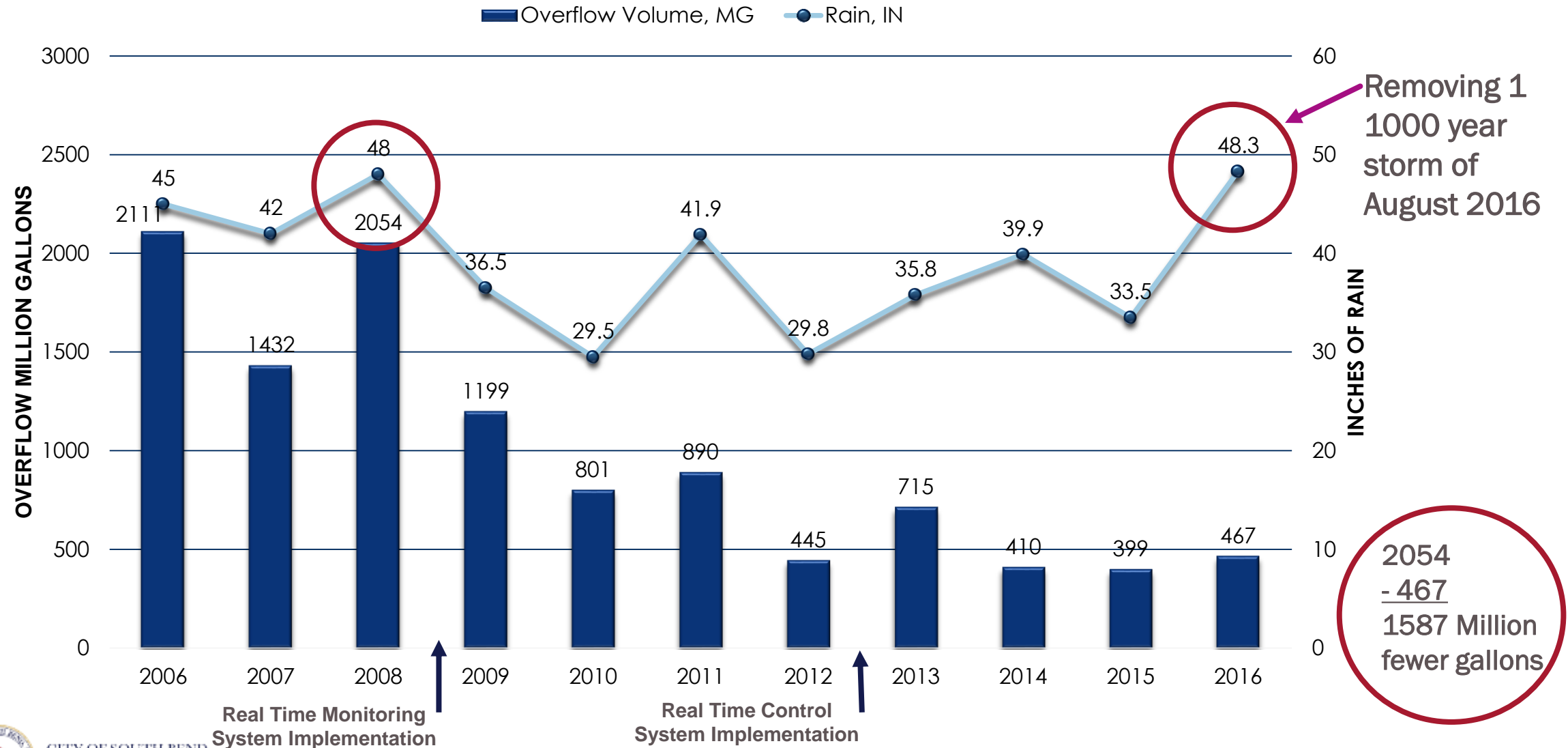
- Default valve position is closed
- Measure likelihood of overflow
- Measure Interceptor capacity
 - Downstream
 - At “time of impact”
- Compete for Interceptor Capacity
- Modulate Valve



Phase 1 successes: How did we do?



Phase 1 successes: How did we do?



LTCP

CSO Control Phase 1

WWTP
upgrades

Collection
system controls

Bendix ✓

Eastbank ✓

Diamond Avenue ✓

Oliver Plow ✓

Southwood ✓

Kensington ✓

CSO Control Phase 2

Storage
Tanks

Storage
Conduit

Parallel
Interceptor

Memorial Park

Old Fire
Station

Ice Rink
Parking Lot

Randolph &
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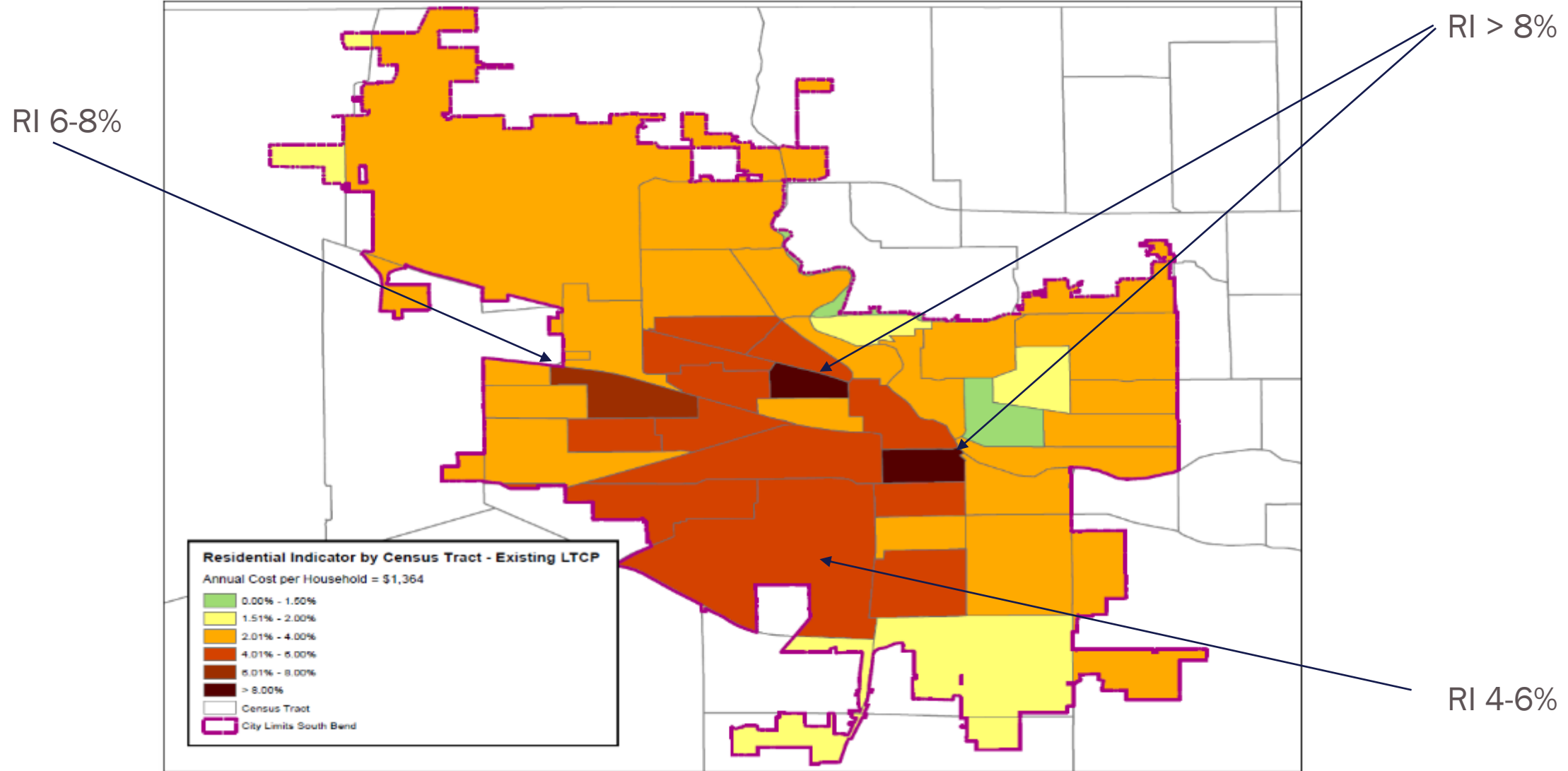
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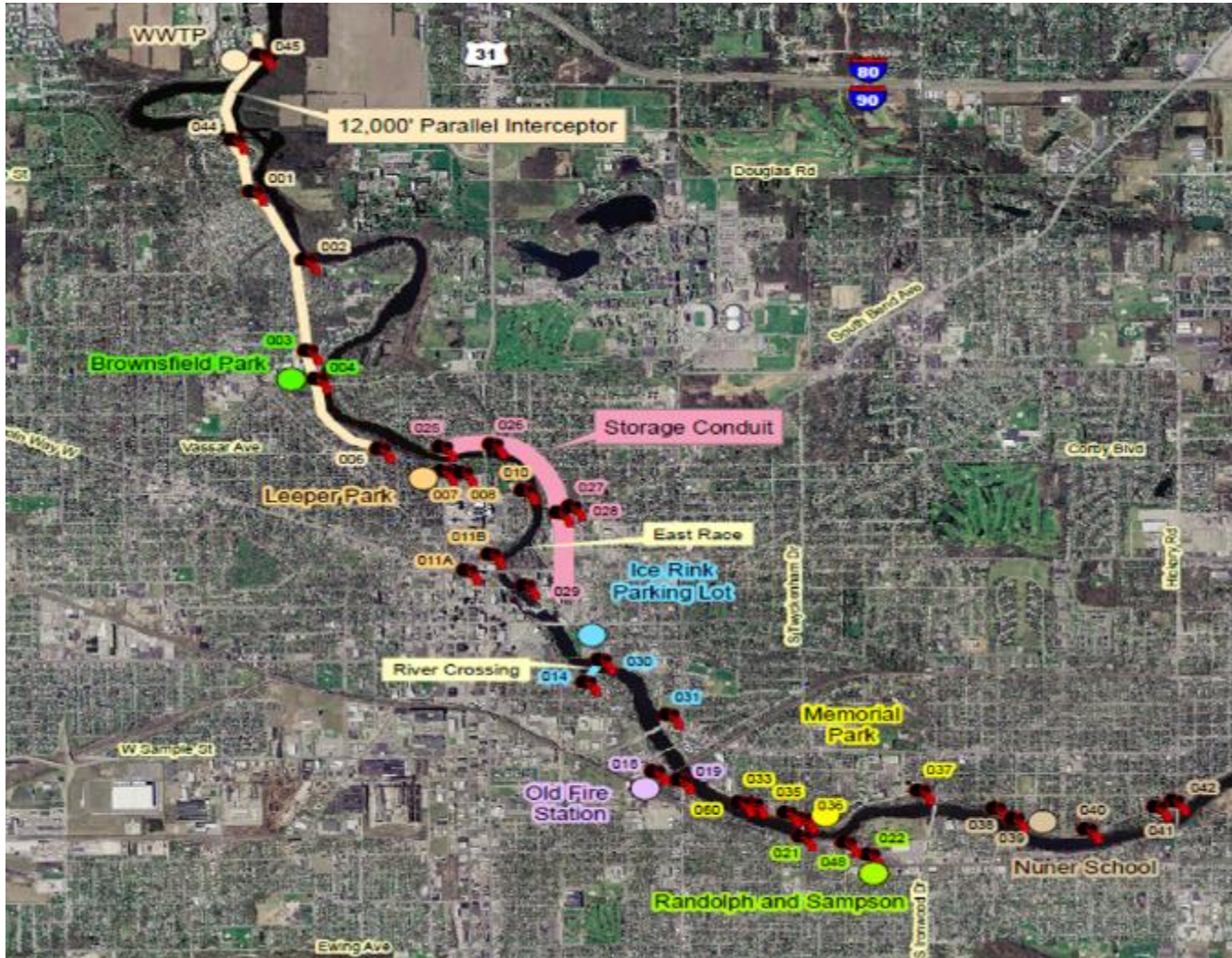
Brownfield
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Residential Indicator across South Bend



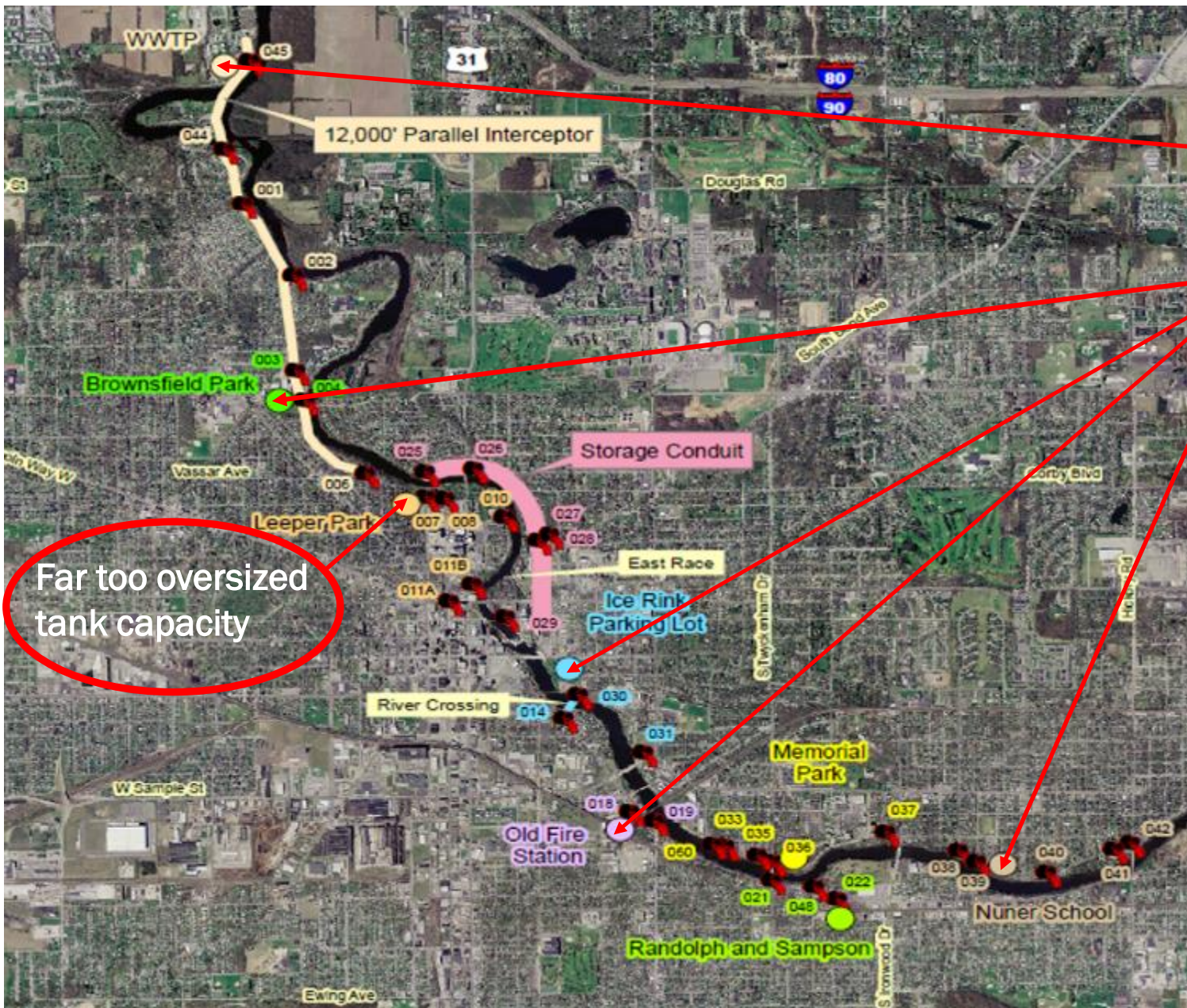
LTCP Phase 2



Phase 2 is an exclusively grey infrastructure approach. Unfortunately no smart or green technology.

- 7 Storage tanks
- 1 Storage conduit
- 1 Parallel interceptor





The many issues with current LTCP Phase 2:

WWTP: Expansion challenges
WWTP: No tank, yet largest CSO

4 small tanks: GSI, Smart sewers,
Conveyance sewers can eliminate

Storage Conduit: Constructability concerns for
available space, increased depth.

Parallel Interceptor: Would need to be deeper
than existing, construction challenges due to
river bank impact, river infiltration.



Revising the LTCP

1. Data-driven maintenance created increased capacity;
2. New hyper-accurate model shows deficiencies in old LTCP model;
3. Real Time Control exceeded expectations in reducing overflows;
4. Original LTCP builds infrastructure but does not address the problem.

Novel South Bend Proposal:

Use smart sewer data and new model to optimize the LTCP in the cloud!



Revising the LTCP: OptiSWMM

- Load Smart Sewer data and model in cloud
- Let OptiSWMM run every possible combination
- 100,000s of simulation runs
- Objective: find the most cost effective way of reducing overflows



STORMWATER MANAGEMENT: A SCIENTIST'S PERSPECTIVE



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Southern California Coastal Water Research Project Authority

September 12, 2018

Background

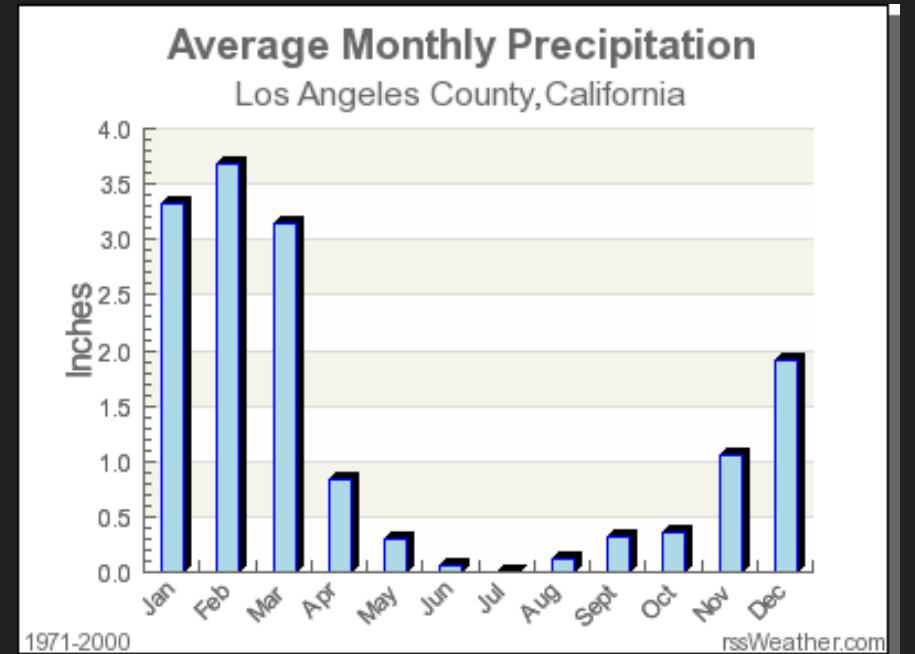
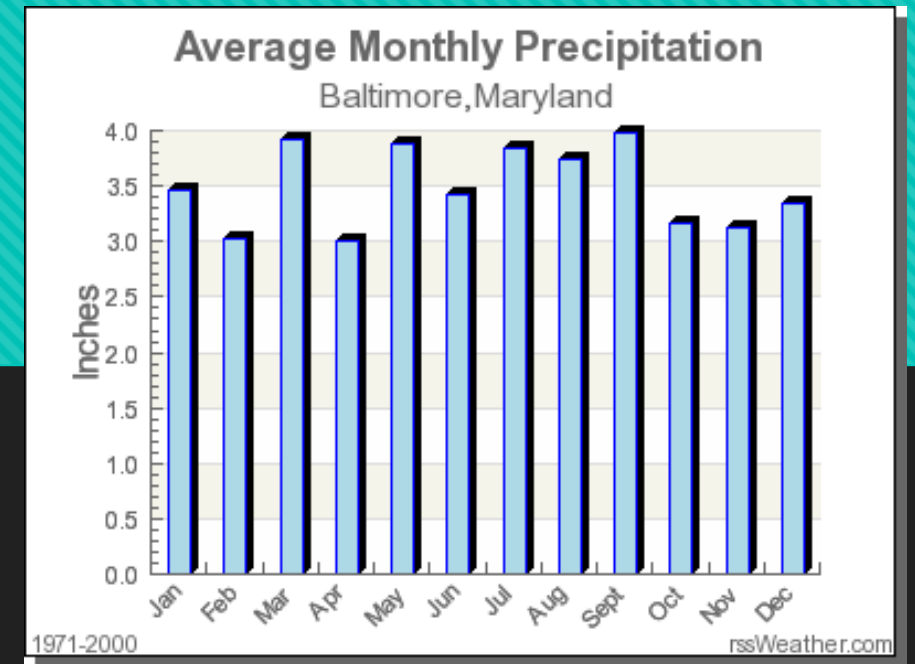
- Stormwater management is a daunting task with multiple goals
 - Stream habitat quality
 - Flood control
 - Water supply
- There are many management (potentially conflicting) options to select from
- Those options are often expensive
- There is a lot of uncertainty regarding success of those investments

What are scientists doing to support you?

- Setting the stage through understanding landscape factors that define your management options
- Helping with option selection
- Providing ongoing information to support implementation
- Monitoring to help assess success

Flow is a driver

- California has a Mediterranean climate
 - Almost no rain for six months in a row
- Greater need for water storage
 - Must capture winter flows for use in the summer
 - Increased emphasis on recapture and reuse
- Changes the instream flow requirements
 - Too much withdrawal or infiltration leads to dry stream beds



Watershed characteristics

- Amount of landscape development is key to management
 - High imperviousness leads to a rapid rise in flow after rain, with a rapid return to low flow
- Causes streambed scouring and habitat alteration
 - Also shifts the mission from habitat quality maintenance to flood control
- Scientists are working to define imperviousness management targets
 - Targets vary with watershed shape, steepness and rainfall
 - Know those targets because it is a lot easier to prevent a problem than it is to retrofit solutions



Separate stormwater and wastewater systems

- High impervious surface limits downstream treatment options
 - System demand becomes moving water off land quickly which overwhelms treatment plants
- Absence of downstream treatment enhances pollution concerns
- Means that treatment must take place in the watershed



Management toolbox

- BMPs are key to improved water quality
 - Many engineering advances ongoing
 - Water infiltrates faster
 - More chemical contamination is adsorbed
- Must be combined with modeling to predict effectiveness
 - BMP investments will cost billions
 - Modeling predicts cumulative effectiveness before installation
 - Modeling also provides guidance on the most effective locations for deployment



Real-time management support information

- Stormwater managers must make many real time decisions
 - How to manage dams or other control structures
 - When to close beaches because the management systems are overwhelmed
 - When storms are big enough to threaten public safety
- Scientists are developing many tools to provide that information support
 - Flow models
 - Remote sensing
 - Telemetered sensor networks



Real-time sensors

- Scientists are developing sensor networks that provide real-time information
 - Water flow, temperature, salinity
- We are also making big advances in genomics
 - Allow us to provide near-real time biological information
 - Initial applications have been for beach water quality
- We are now extending those advances to other biological applications
 - Harmful algal blooms
 - Invasive species



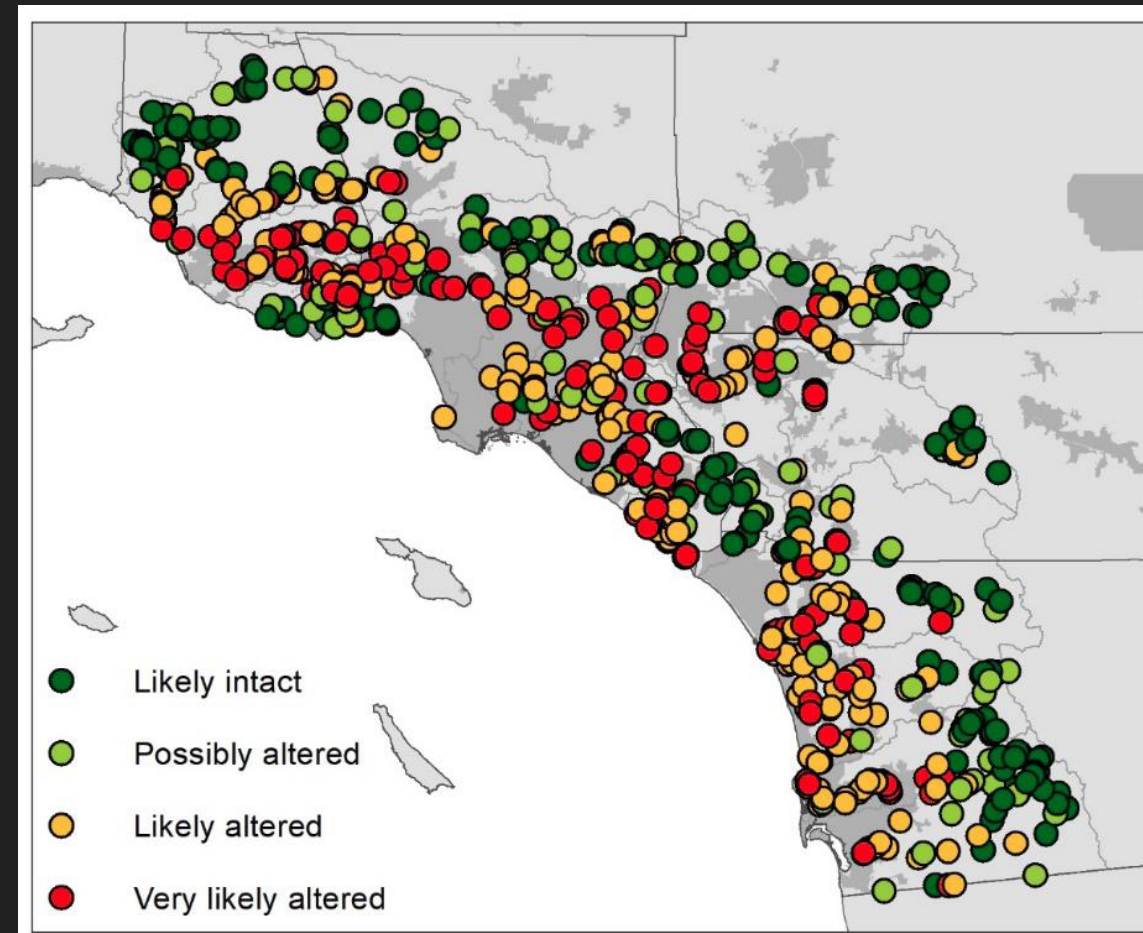
Results in 18-96 hours



Results in 2 hours

Monitoring to assess program effectiveness

- Continued investment should be guided by understanding of effectiveness
- Scientists are helping managers develop integrated regional monitoring programs
 - You want to know cumulative response, not just local effects
- These programs are increasingly focused on biological assessment endpoints
 - Biological communities are the integrator
 - Challenge for scientists is to identify biological expectations



Climate change as a wild card

- Changing rainfall patterns will alter stream management needs
 - Earlier snowmelt leads to more seasonality of flow
 - More intense storms will challenge runoff control capacity
- Enhanced fire frequency changes runoff characteristics
 - More sediment release
 - More contaminants
- The burden is on scientists to provide long-range predictions that will inform your management planning
 - We accept that burden



Managing Drought in a Changing Climate

Ellen Hanak, Director, Water Policy Center, Public Policy Institute of California

Elizabeth Ossowski, NOAA/National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS)

Moderator: Joaquin Esquivel, Board Member, California State Water Resources Control Board



Managing Drought in a Changing Climate

Four Essential Reforms

September 10, 2018

Ellen Hanak

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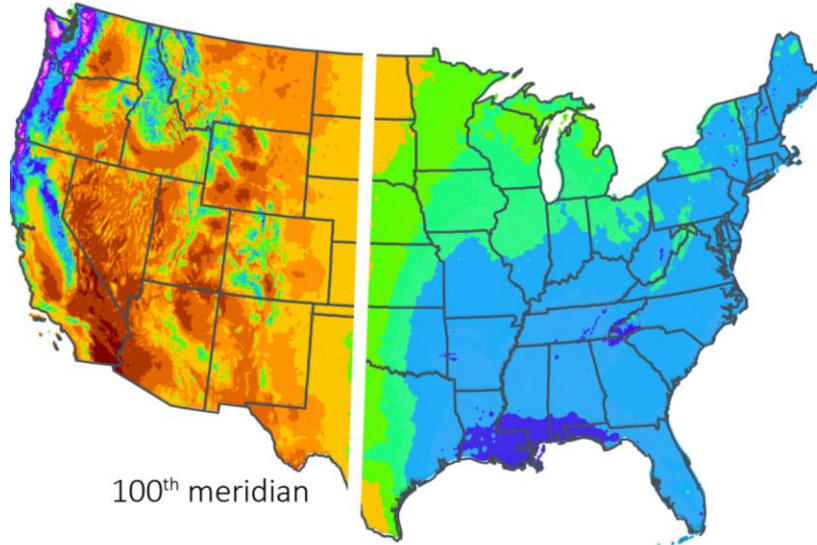
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INSTITUTE OF CALIFORNIA

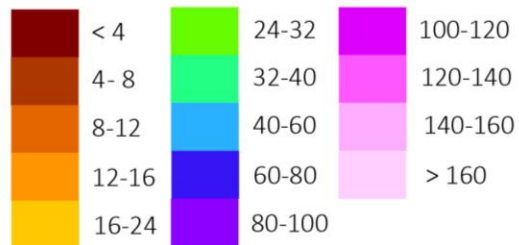
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Western states are drier, with more variable precipitation

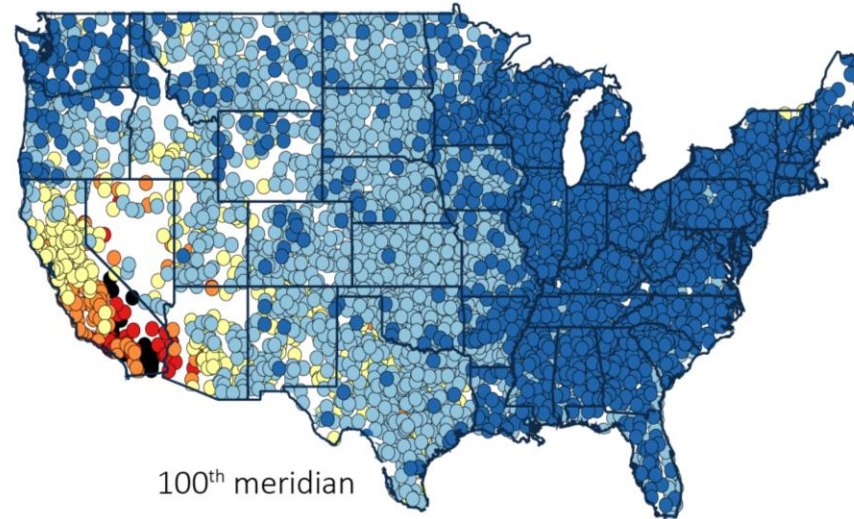
Average Annual Precipitation (1981-2010)



Annual Precipitation (inches)



Rainfall Variability



Rainfall Variability



Left map source: Oregon State University (2015)

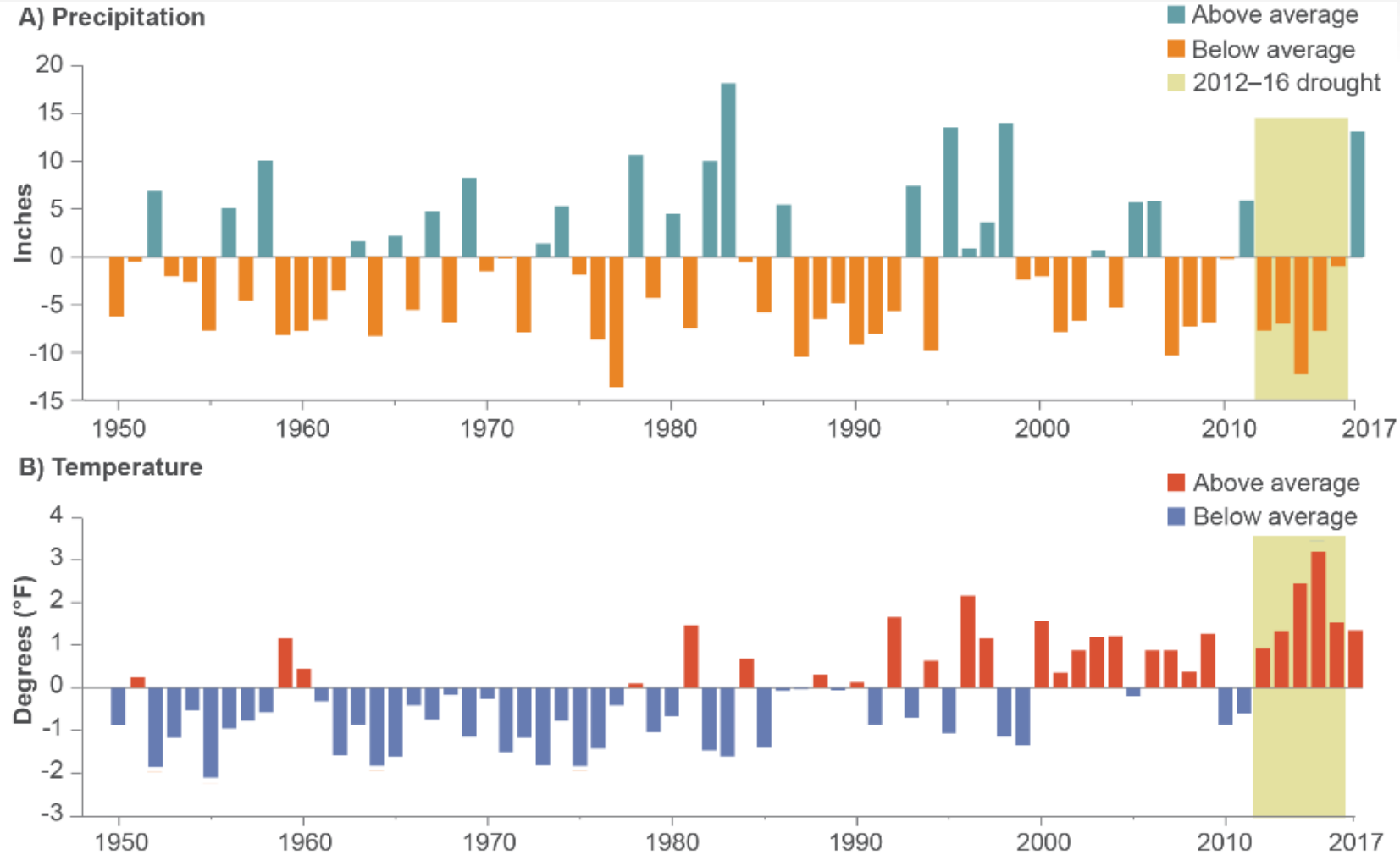
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Managing water is at the forefront of climate change adaptation in California

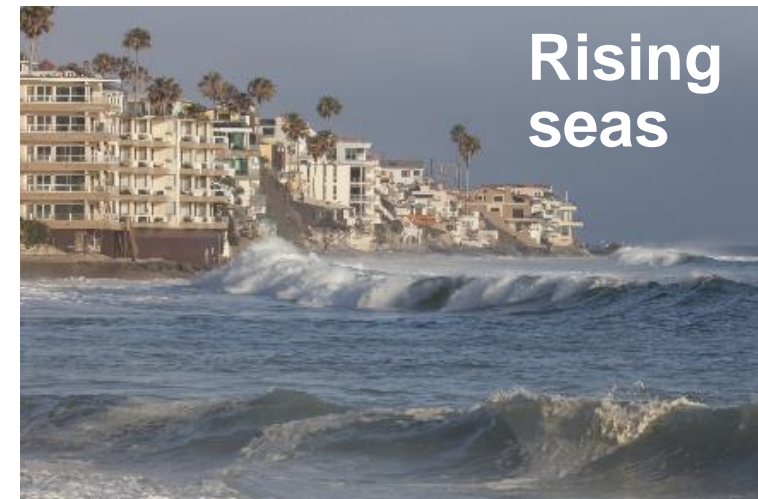
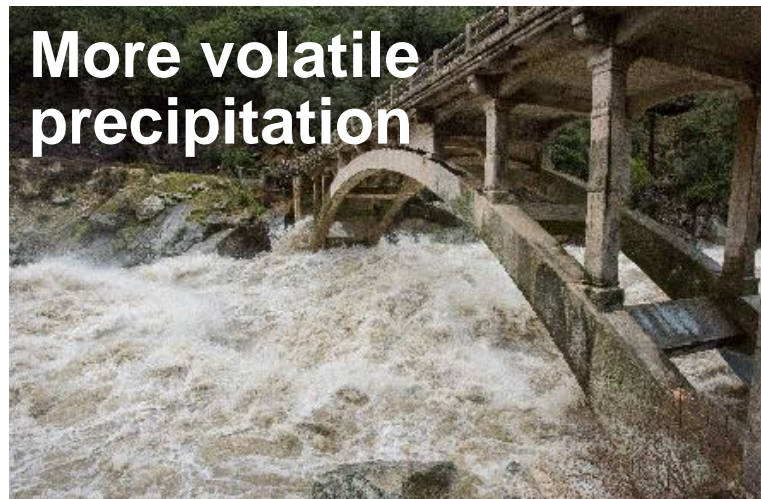
- Drought reveals strengths and weaknesses in water systems
- Actions to prepare for droughts of the future will benefit water management today



The unusually warm drought of 2012–16 was a window into the future



Five climate pressures are impacting California's water system



Reducing vulnerability to climate pressures requires concerted action

Four essential reforms:

1. Plan ahead
2. Upgrade the water grid
3. Update water allocation rules
4. Find the money



Shasta Reservoir during drought

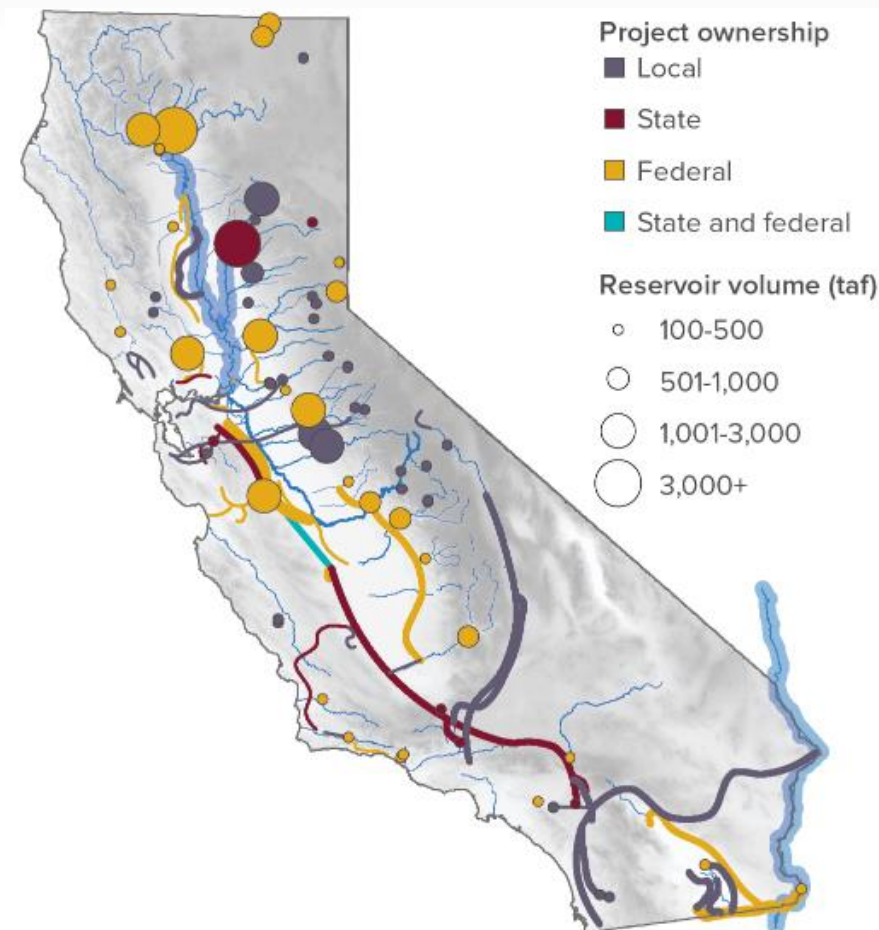
Reform 1: Plan ahead

- Successful adaptation requires advance planning at local and regional scales.
- Top priorities:
 - Strengthen urban water management plans
 - Ensure effective groundwater sustainability plans
 - Develop drinking water plans for rural communities
 - Prepare ecosystem drought plans



Reform 2: Upgrade the water grid

- Modernizing California's "water grid" can help reduce costs of future droughts
- Top priorities:
 - Improve conveyance and storage capacity
 - Modernize and integrate operations



Reform 3: Update water allocation rules

- Facilitate equitable and efficient allocation during dry times, promote capture and storage during wet times
- Top priorities:
 - Promote groundwater recharge
 - Streamline trading and banking
 - Give the environment a water budget
 - Improve water rights administration

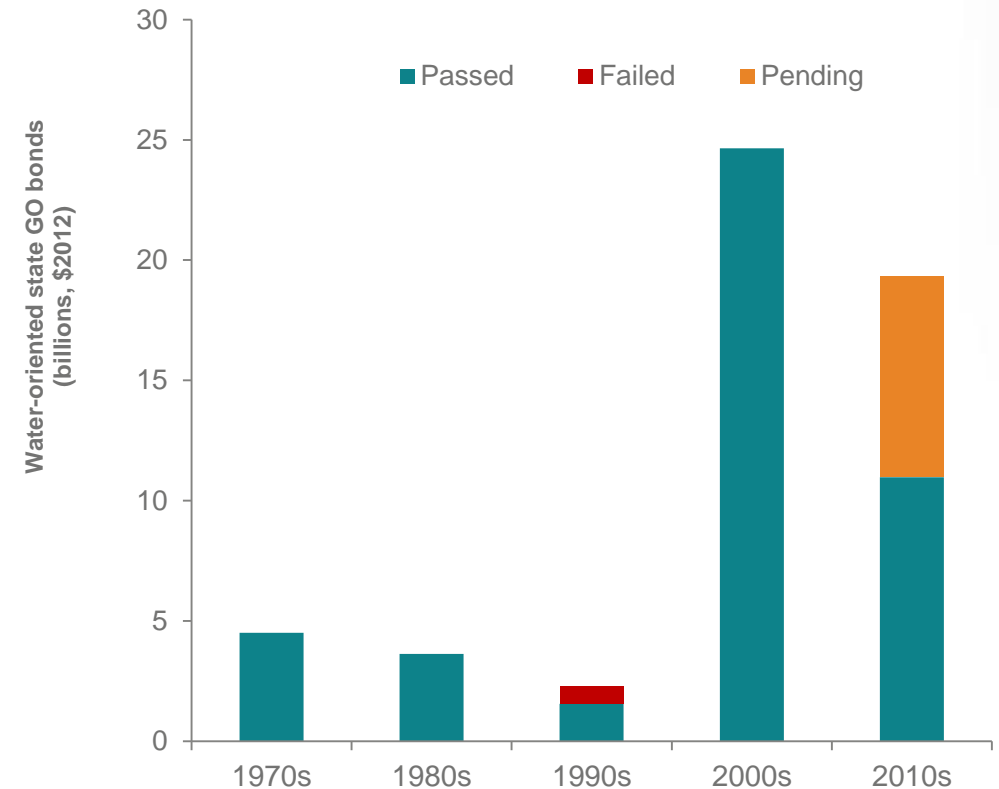


Sacramento National Wildlife Refuge

Reform 4: Find the money

- Reliable sources of funding are crucial for adapting to climate change
- Top priorities:
 - Use general obligation bonds for public benefit
 - Fill the gap for fiscal orphans
 - Reform water pricing law

CA General Obligation Water Bonds



Reasons for optimism

- Urban sector has been adapting and investing
- Agriculture has been innovating, improving efficiency, and working toward groundwater sustainability
- Progress is under way on safe drinking water supplies in rural communities



The environment needs a fundamental change in course

- Efforts to date haven't stopped species decline
- Climate pressures increasing the risk
- More flexible, ecosystem-based management is needed



Lower Yuba River

Getting ready for droughts of the future will require strong leadership





Managing Drought in a Changing Climate

Four Essential Reforms

September 10, 2018

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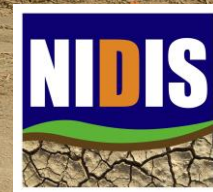
The National Integrated Drought Information System (NIDIS)

Moving the Nation from Reactive to Proactive Drought Risk Management



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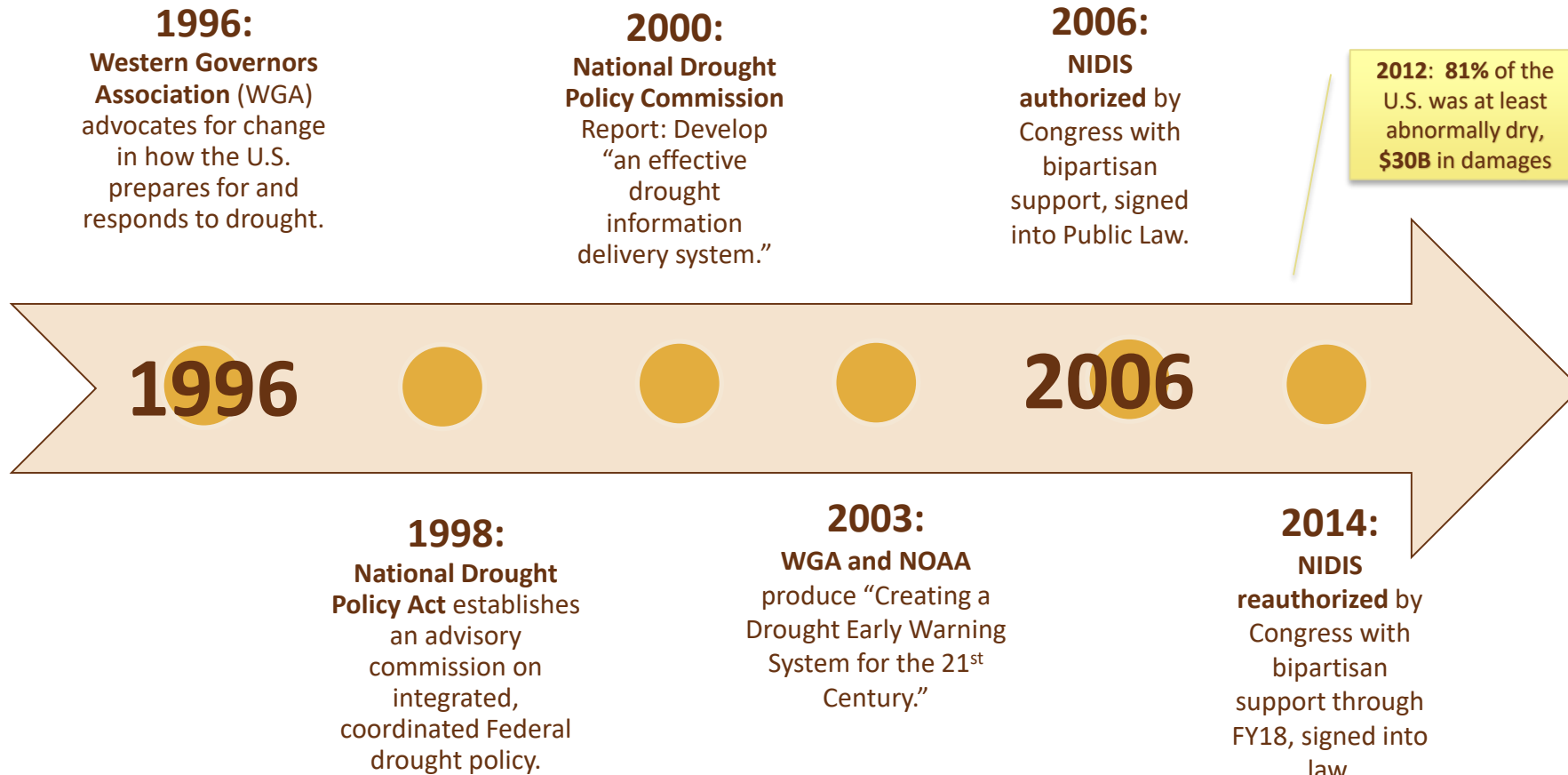


What is NIDIS?

NIDIS was authorized by Congress in 2006 and reauthorized in 2014 with an interagency mandate to develop and provide a national drought early warning information system.



How NIDIS Came About

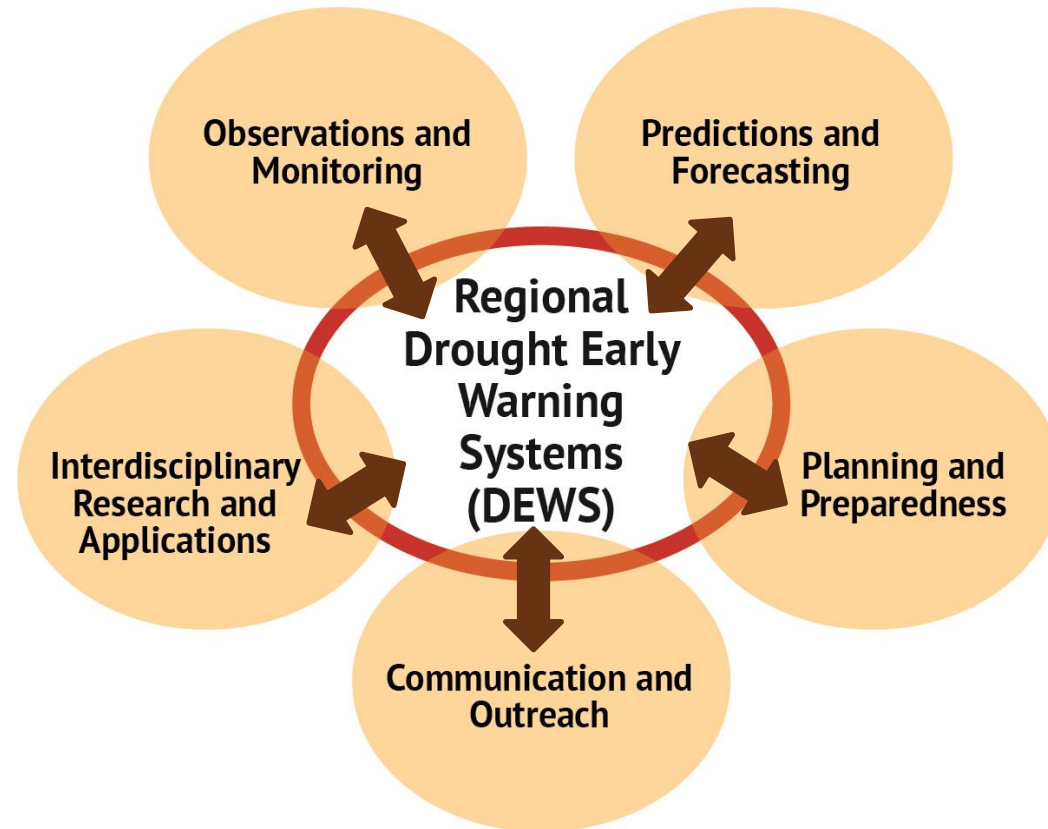


What is a Drought Early Warning System?

“A system that collects and integrates information on the key indicators of drought in order to make usable, reliable, and timely drought forecasts and assessments of drought.....

...and communicates drought forecasts, conditions, and impacts on an ongoing basis to decision makers, the private sector, and the public.”

- NIDIS Public Law 109-430



9 Regional Drought Early Warning Systems



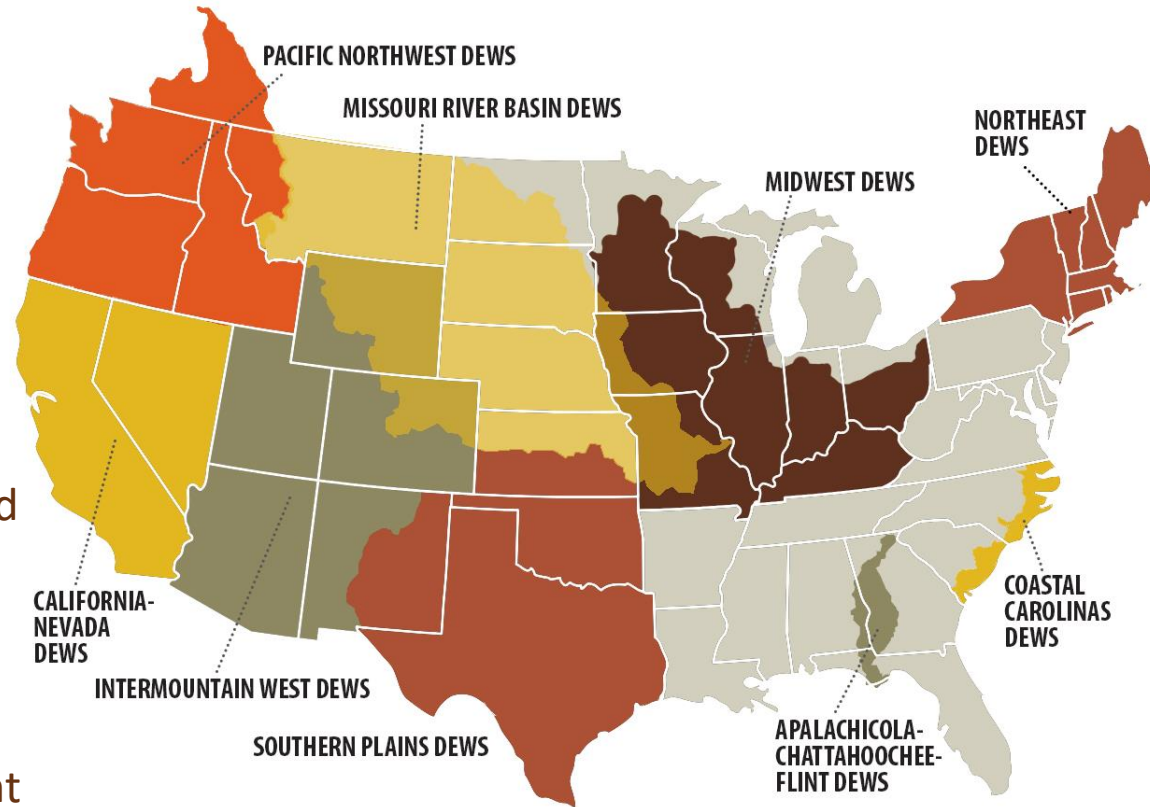
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Components of a Drought Early Warning System

Observations & Monitoring

- U.S. Drought Monitor
- Drought Impact Reporting
- Drought Assessments and Attribution Studies
- Community Collaborative Rain, Hail, and Snow Network (CoCoRaHS)

Predictions & Forecasting

- Improve monthly, sub-seasonal, seasonal drought outlooks
- Atmospheric Rivers – model predictability and document knowledge gaps
- Flash Droughts – how do they come about? How do they link to past drought events?



Components of a Drought Early Warning System

Planning & Preparedness

- Drought Triggers and Indicators Research, Workshops
- NDMC Drought Plan Mapping Database
- CDC Every Drop Counts (Drought and Public Health)
- Partner with USBR Drought Response Program

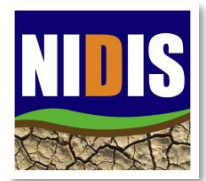
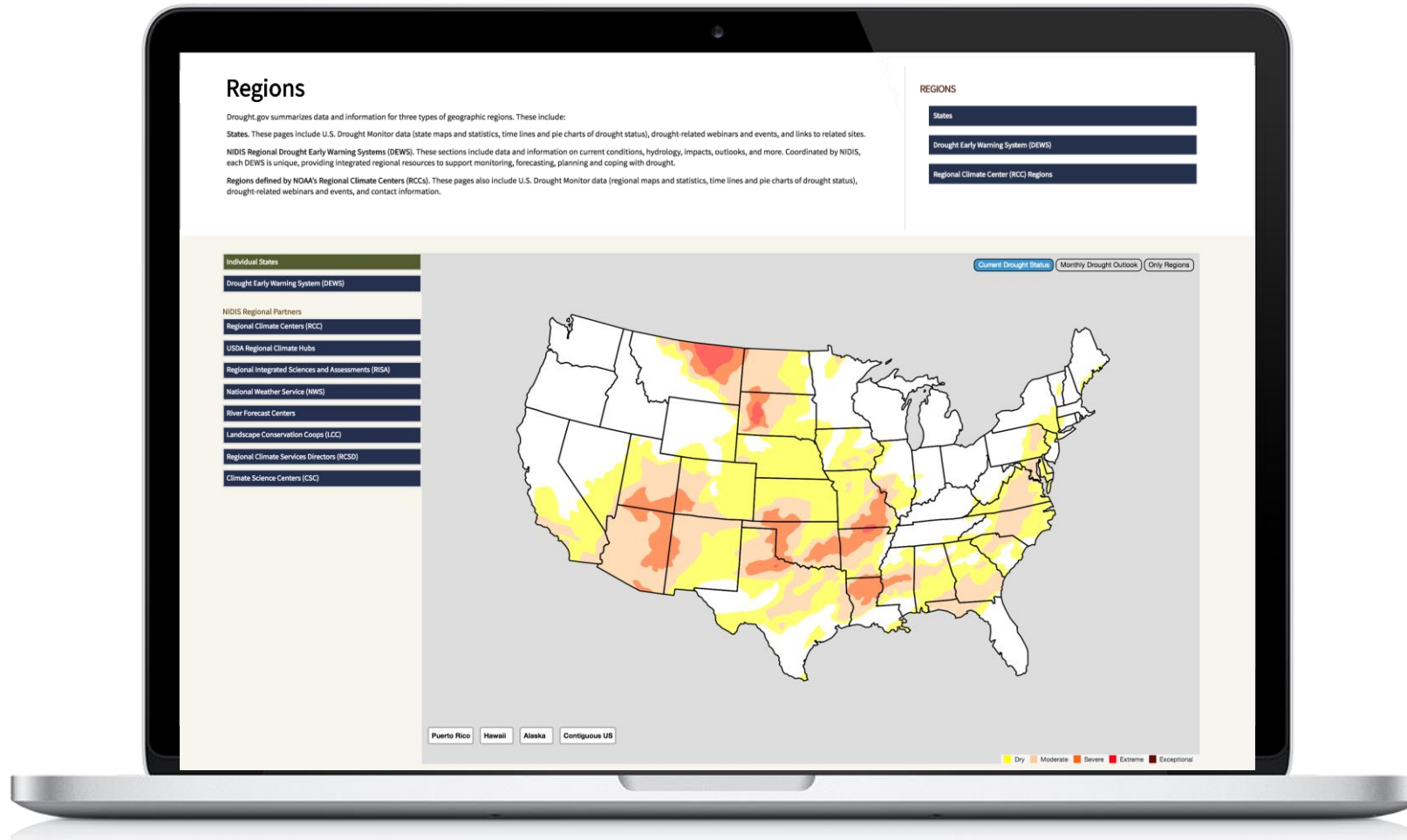
Communication & Outreach

- Midwest Drought Communications Working Group
- National Drought and Wildfire Network (NDAWN)
- Drought Tournaments, Guidebook
- USBR Forecast Rodeo



U.S. Drought Portal

www.drought.gov



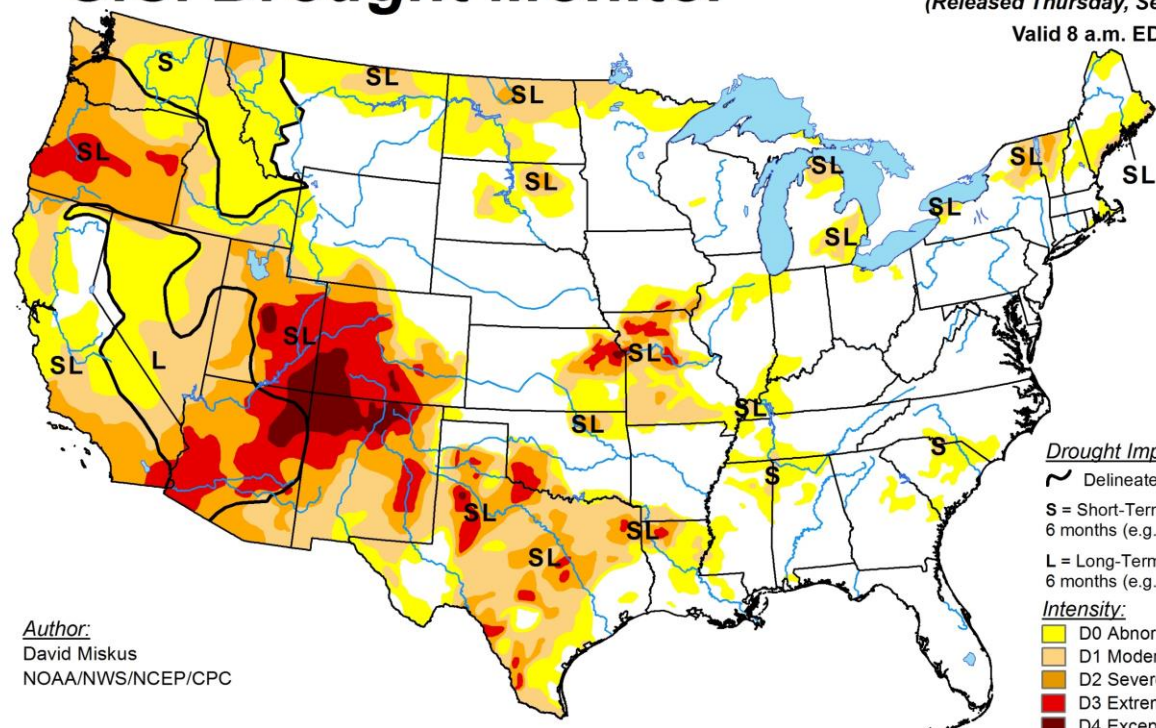
U.S. Drought Monitor

U.S. Drought Monitor

September 4, 2018

(Released Thursday, Sep. 6, 2018)

Valid 8 a.m. EDT



Author:

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NOAA/NWS/NCEP/CPC

Drought Impact Types:

~ Delineates dominant impacts

S = Short-Term, typically less than 6 months (e.g. agriculture, grasslands)

L = Long-Term, typically greater than 6 months (e.g. hydrology, ecology)

Intensity:

Yellow D0 Abnormally Dry

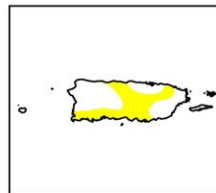
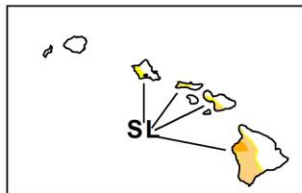
Orange D1 Moderate Drought

Dark Orange D2 Severe Drought

Red D3 Extreme Drought

Dark Red D4 Exceptional Drought

The Drought Monitor focuses on broad-scale conditions. Local conditions may vary. See accompanying text summary for forecast statements.



<http://droughtmonitor.unl.edu/>



Snow Drought

- Snow drought is a period of abnormally low snowpack for the time of year, reflecting either
 - below-normal cold-season precipitation (dry snow drought) or
 - lack of snow accumulation despite near-normal precipitation (warm snow drought), caused by warm temperatures and precipitation falling as rain rather than snow or unusually early snowmelt.
- Current Conditions
- Snow Drought Impacts
- Tools and Resources

<https://www.drought.gov/drought/data-maps-tools/snow-drought>



Current Drought Response

Drought Status Update
PACIFIC NORTHWEST
JULY 31, 2018

National Integrated Drought Information System
Drought.gov

Fig 1. IncWeb - Incident Information System for Pacific Northwest Region for July 31, 2018. Source: incweb.nwcc.gov

Significant Drought and Related Fire Impacts Reported in Idaho, Oregon, and Washington

- A combination of high temperatures, low humidity, and dry to record-dry conditions has increased fire danger.
- Wildfires continue to threaten lives, property, crops, rangeland, and forests (Fig. 1).
- Drier-than-normal conditions are expected to continue across most of the region, which will perpetuate fire danger.

CURRENT CONDITIONS

- OR and WA have been experiencing dry weather. Combined with high temperatures, this led to the designation of moderate drought in the Olympic Peninsula, abnormal dryness in parts of eastern WA, and the introduction of severe drought across the Cascades and into the Willamette Valley last week. Southern ID and the panhandle are abnormally dry with some areas of moderate drought (Fig. 2).
- According to the [Northwest River Forecast Center](#), monthly precipitation through July 30, 2018, is below 50% of normal. Over the last 90 days, precipitation totals for parts of western OR and WA were the lowest they've been in at least 40 years (Fig. 3).
- In southern and southwest OR, the drought, with recent warm and dry conditions, has caused dead fuel moisture to decline to record-low levels, increasing the potential flammability of fuels.

IMPACTS

- In ID, there are nine large, uncontained wildfire incidents currently burning over 173,000 acres including the Grassy Ridge fire (103,935 acres, 88% contained).
- In OR, there are 14 large, uncontained wildfire incidents currently burning over 116,500 acres including Taylor Creek fire (25,000 acres, 20% contained).
- In WA, there are six large, uncontained wildfire incidents currently burning over 15,500 acres including the Lake Wallula fire (10,500 acres, 55% contained).
- Approximately 10,140 firefighters and support personnel are deployed in OR, WA and ID, taxing resources and personnel in the region.
- All three states are reporting negative impacts to forests, crops and rangelands, reduced air quality, and multiple evacuations.

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Drought Status Update
MIDWEST & MISSOURI RIVER BASIN
JULY 19, 2018

National Integrated Drought Information System
Drought.gov

Fig 1. Moderate (D1) to exceptional (D4) drought exists in the Midwest and Missouri River Basin. Extreme drought (D3) is present in KS, MO and IA, and a small portion of eastern KS is in exceptional drought. Source: U.S. Drought Monitor

Significant Drought Impacts Reported in Kansas, Missouri, Southeast Iowa

- A combination of hot temperatures and below-normal precipitation has led to significant and widespread drought impacts in KS, MO, and southeast IA.
- Drought conditions developed rapidly in MI, causing the deterioration of corn, soybeans, and some specialty crops. OH and IN are also reporting abnormally dry conditions negatively impacting crop growth.
- The next few weeks may bring cooler temperatures and some precipitation to portions of the central U.S., but existing drought impacts are serious enough in KS, MO, and southeast IA that consistent and multiple rainfall events are needed in order to provide drought relief.

CURRENT CONDITIONS

- While high temperatures have not been as extreme as they were [earlier this summer](#), persistent above-normal temperatures (Figure 2) have continued to increase [evapotranspiration](#) for a broad area of the central U.S., resulting in reduced [soil moisture](#) and increased crop stress.
- In particular, nighttime temperatures have been above normal across a majority of the region, causing additional crop stress. High humidity has persisted throughout the summer as well, increasing stress on humans and livestock.
- While some areas in the central U.S. received significant precipitation over the last 30 days (Figure 3), the portions of KS, MO, and IA in severe (D2) to exceptional (D4) drought received only 25-50% of normal. In MI, only 10-50% of normal precipitation across portions of the state has contributed to the development of moderate drought (D1), and the concern for future drought expansion.

IMPACTS

- Crop impacts have started to compound, with corn and soybean stress widespread in MO, KS, southeast IA, and emerging crop stress issues in MI. With corn in its peak water usage stage of silking and soil moisture already low, drought impacts could be exacerbated in the coming weeks.
- Water shortages have been reported in MO, KS, and IA, primarily in livestock ponds, contributing to reports of cattle being sold in MO and KS. In addition, a few local municipalities in northwest MO and eastern KS have implemented mandatory water restrictions due to local water supply issues.
- Fire risk is increasing, and some burn bans have been issued in MO, KS, and MI.

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<https://www.drought.gov/drought/calendar>

PNW DEWS Meeting (10/9, Boise ID)

CA-NV DEWS Workshop (Jan or Feb 2019)

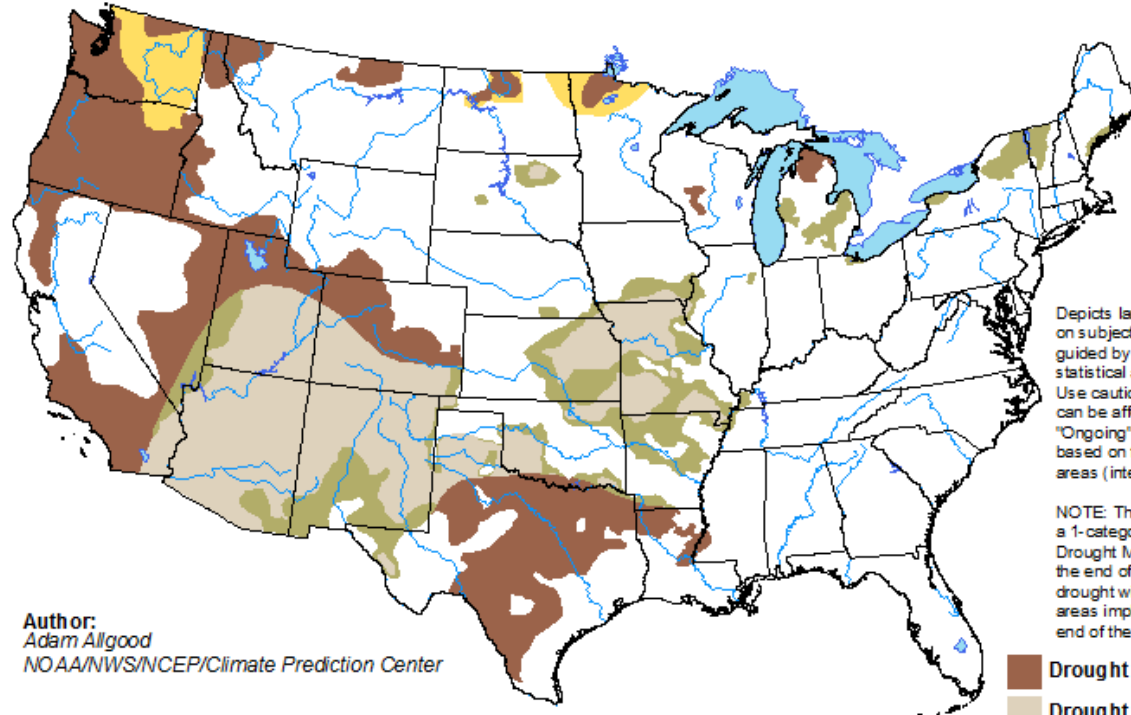
CA-NV Drought, Climate Outlook Webinar (9/24 at 11am PT)

Southern Plains Drought Webinar (10/22 at 1pm CT)



Seasonal Drought Outlook (8/16 – 11/30)

U.S. Seasonal Drought Outlook Valid for August 16 - November 30, 2018
Drought Tendency During the Valid Period Released August 16, 2018

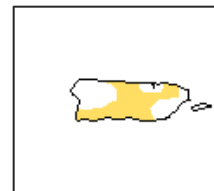
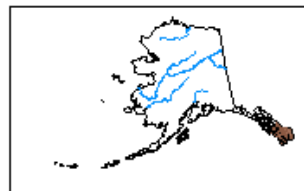


Depicts large-scale trends based on subjectively derived probabilities guided by short- and long-range statistical and dynamical forecasts. Use caution for applications that can be affected by short lived events. "Ongoing" drought areas are based on the U.S. Drought Monitor areas (intensities of D1 to D4).

NOTE: The tan areas imply at least a 1-category improvement in the Drought Monitor intensity levels by the end of the period, although drought will remain. The green areas imply drought removal by the end of the period (D0 or none).

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- Drought persists
- Drought remains but improves
- Drought removal likely
- Drought development likely

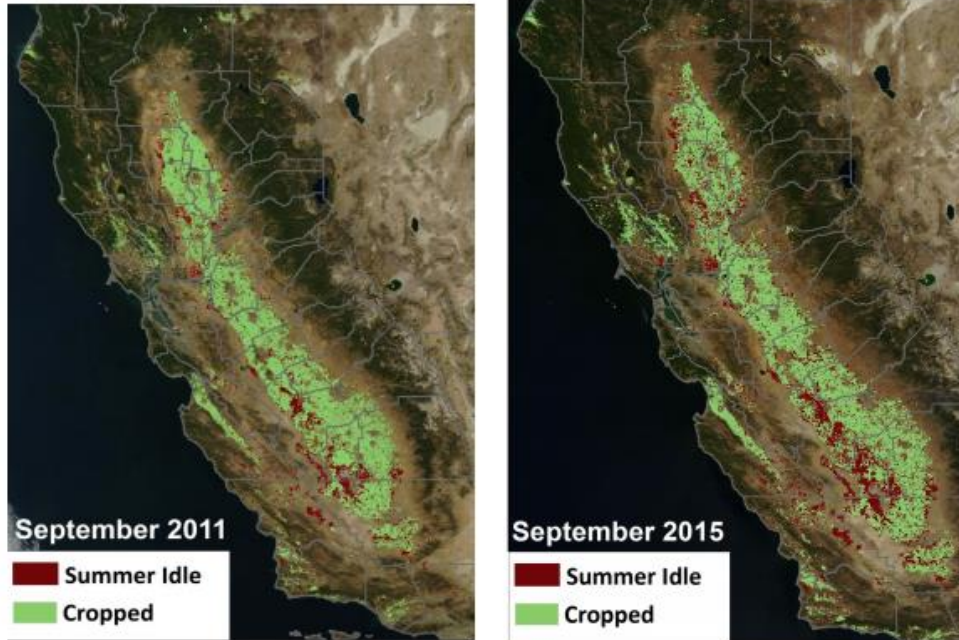


<http://go.usa.gov/3eZ73>



Fallowed Land Tracking

1.B Summer Conditions



Fallowed Area Mapping for Drought Impact Reporting:

2015 Assessment of Conditions in the California Central Valley

October 14, 2015

Forrest Melton, Carolyn Roosevelt, Alberto Guzman, Lee Johnson, Isabel Zaragoza
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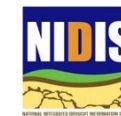
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- Monitoring extent of bare agricultural lands assisted CA in deciding water project allocations and state drought water bank operations
- Currently expanding to Nevada and the Pacific Northwest



Climate Engine

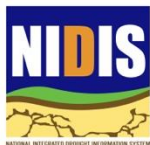
- **ClimateEngine.org** is a free web application powered by Google Earth Engine to monitor weather and vegetation using on-demand cloud processing of remote sensing and gridded climate datasets
- **Customized requests:** Datasets (Down to Variable), Calculations (ex. % of Avg), Time Periods, Custom Region



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National Soil Moisture Monitoring Network

Develop:

- **National, multi-platform soil moisture gridded product** from existing soil moisture data sources across federal and state in-situ monitoring networks, satellite remote sensing missions, and numerical modeling capabilities
- **Consistent methodology** for data collection and installation of in-situ probes including metadata standards

in support of decision-making for water supply and infrastructure, agriculture, fire risk management, and ecosystem health

State Drought Planning

Drought Plan

Colorado Drought Mitigation and Response Plan: Drought Annex to the State All Hazards Mitigation Plan, Annex VII to the State Emergency Operations Plan

Released in 2013

Colorado Water Conservation Board

Climate Plan

Colorado Climate Preparedness Project Final Report

Released in 2011

Wester Water Assessment

General Hazard Plan

Colorado Natural Hazards Mitigation Plan

Released in 2013

State of Colorado

Water Plan

Colorado Water Plan

Released in 2015

Colorado Water Conservation Board

- Drought.unl.edu/droughtplanning
- Select “Info By State”

Plan Criteria

☐ Drought Defined

Does the plan define or describe drought, or how its effects threaten human, natural, or physical assets within the state?

☐ Drought Addressed

Does the plan specifically address aspects of planning for drought or its impacts?

☐ General Drought Preparedness

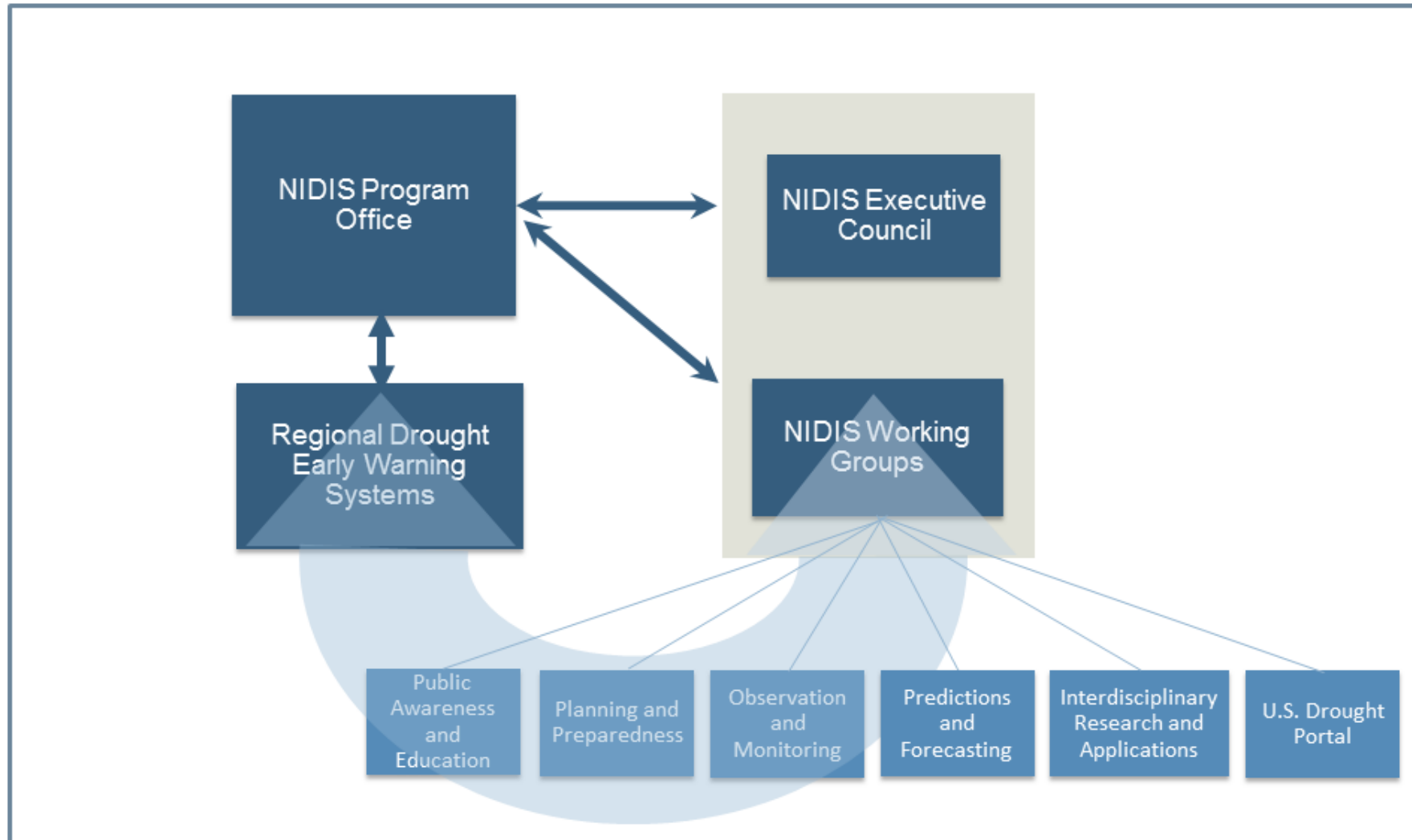
Does the plan include enactable measures to generally be more prepared for drought? Ideally, these measures would be enacted in advance of a drought, and could involve establishing a drought task

☐ Triggers for Action

Are particular drought indicators connected to actions or measures outlined in the plan?



Conceptual Organizational Model for NIDIS



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(NIDIS) - NOAA Service Account



Breakout Sessions

Saving Dollar & Resources by Optimizing Water-Energy Policy

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Governor Mark Dayton**

**Christina Ashie Guidry, Policy Analyst & Title
VI/Environmental Justice Coordinator, Office of
Policy & Sustainable Practices, Tennessee
Department of Environment & Conservation**

Using the Water Infrastructure Financing Act (WIFIA) to Address Governors Major Water Infrastructure Challenges

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**Michael Carlin, Deputy General Manager &
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Utilities Commission**



Snapshot of Federal Legislation and Funding

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Closing Remarks
