



# Using Modern Hurricane Wind Data to Supplement Hydrodynamic Hindcast and Futurecast Models

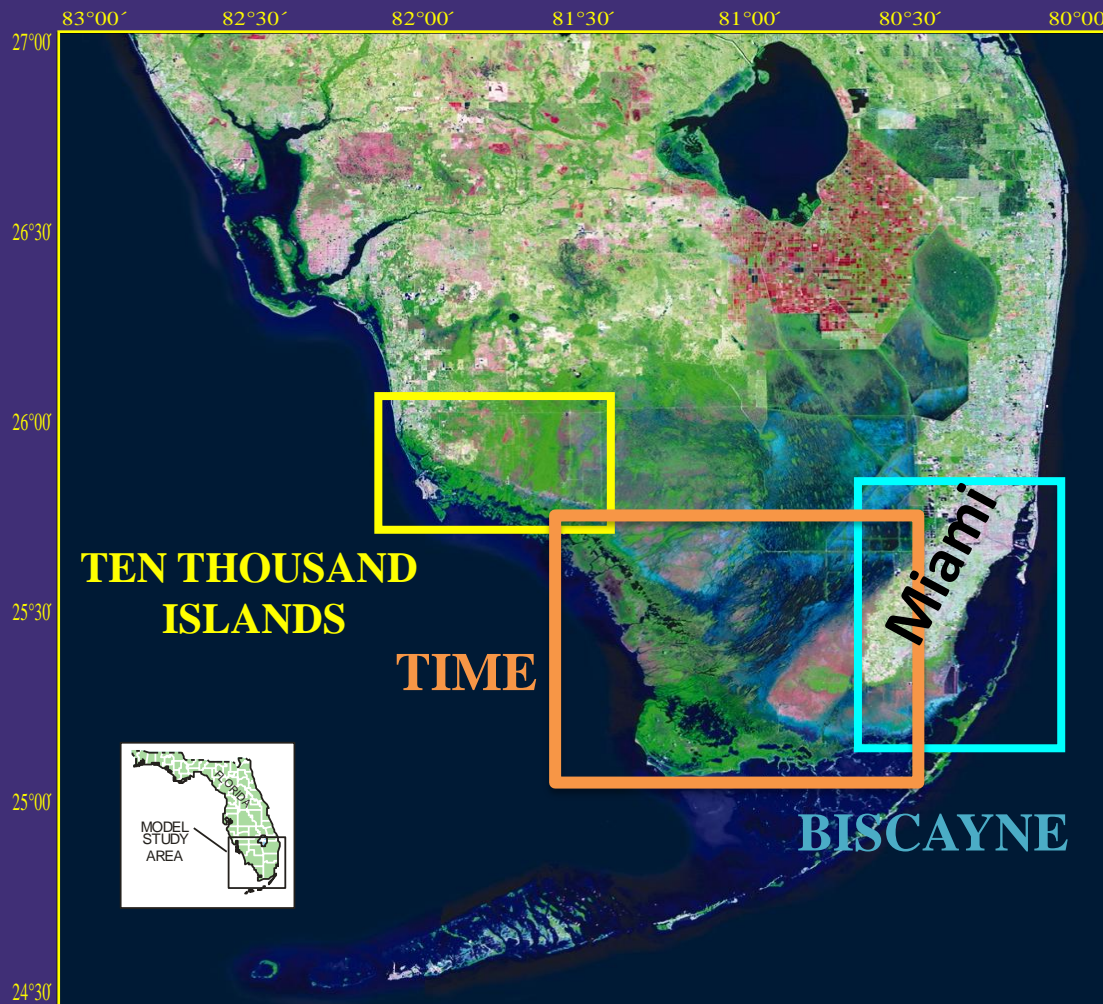
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# Rationale For Using Hindcasts of Hydrodynamic Models

- “Predicting” past events helps validate hydrodynamic model.
- Hindcasts closer to large uncertainties inherent to futurecasts.
- Can modern wind fields supplement missing historical data?
- Help with futurecasts?

# Hydrodynamic Models in S. Florida



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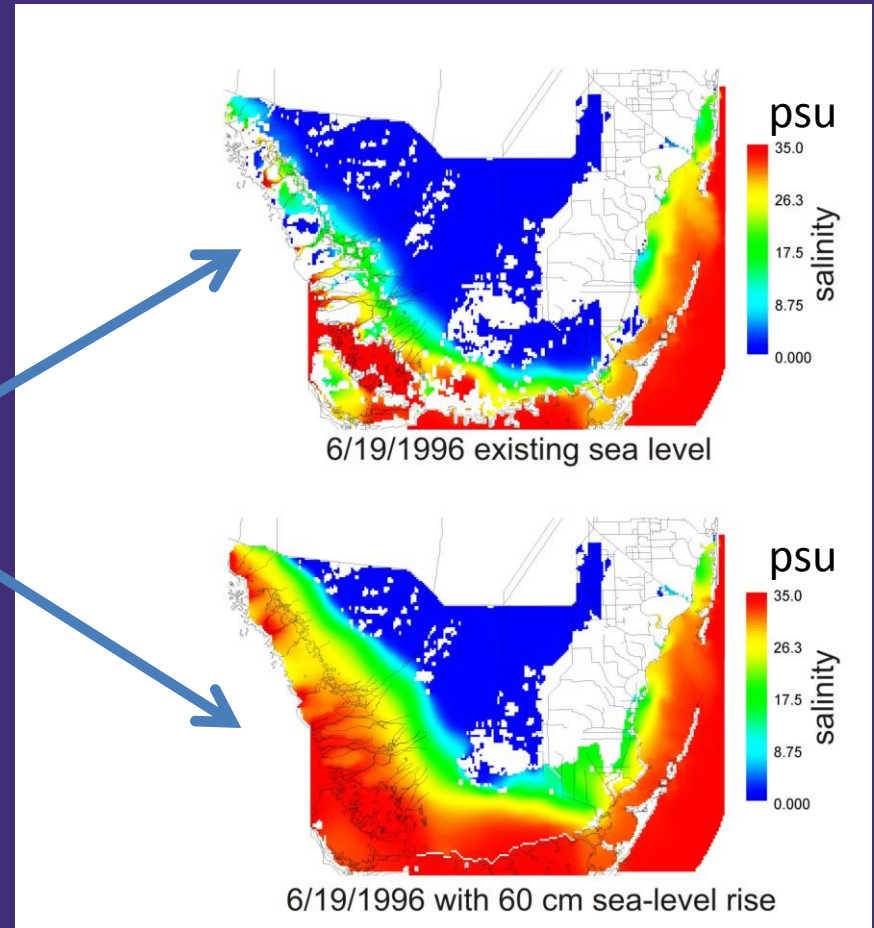
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*BISECT*

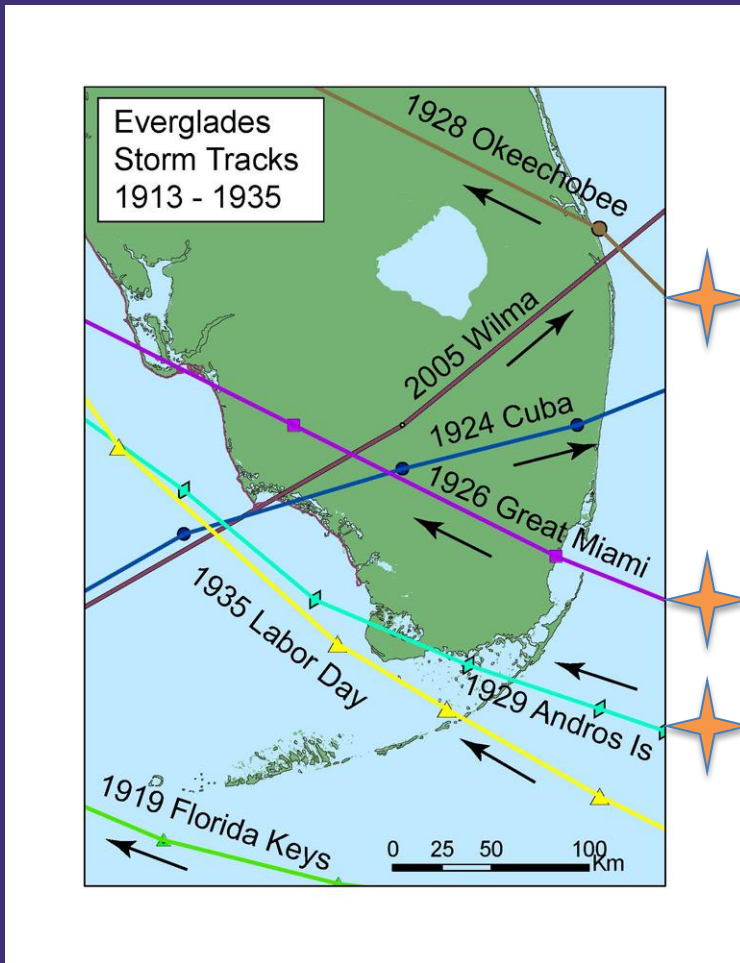
# Hydrodynamic Model Portrays Results in Terms of Salinity and Inundation

BISECT model  
projection of salinity  
for 60 cm of  
Sea-Level Rise

Range 0 – 35 psu  
0.5 km x 0.5 km grid cell



# Historic Storm Tracks



## Hurricane Database (HURDAT)

- Every 6 hours
- Wind Speed, Direction, Forward Speed, Pressure?
- Back to 1851

Name	Year	Date	Wind Knots	Speed Km/hr
Great Miami	<b>1926</b>	<b>9/18</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>18</b>
Okeechobee	<b>1928</b>	<b>9/17</b>	<b>115</b>	<b>14</b>
Andros Island	<b>1929</b>	<b>9/28</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>11</b>

# 3 Intervals Chosen for Hindcasts

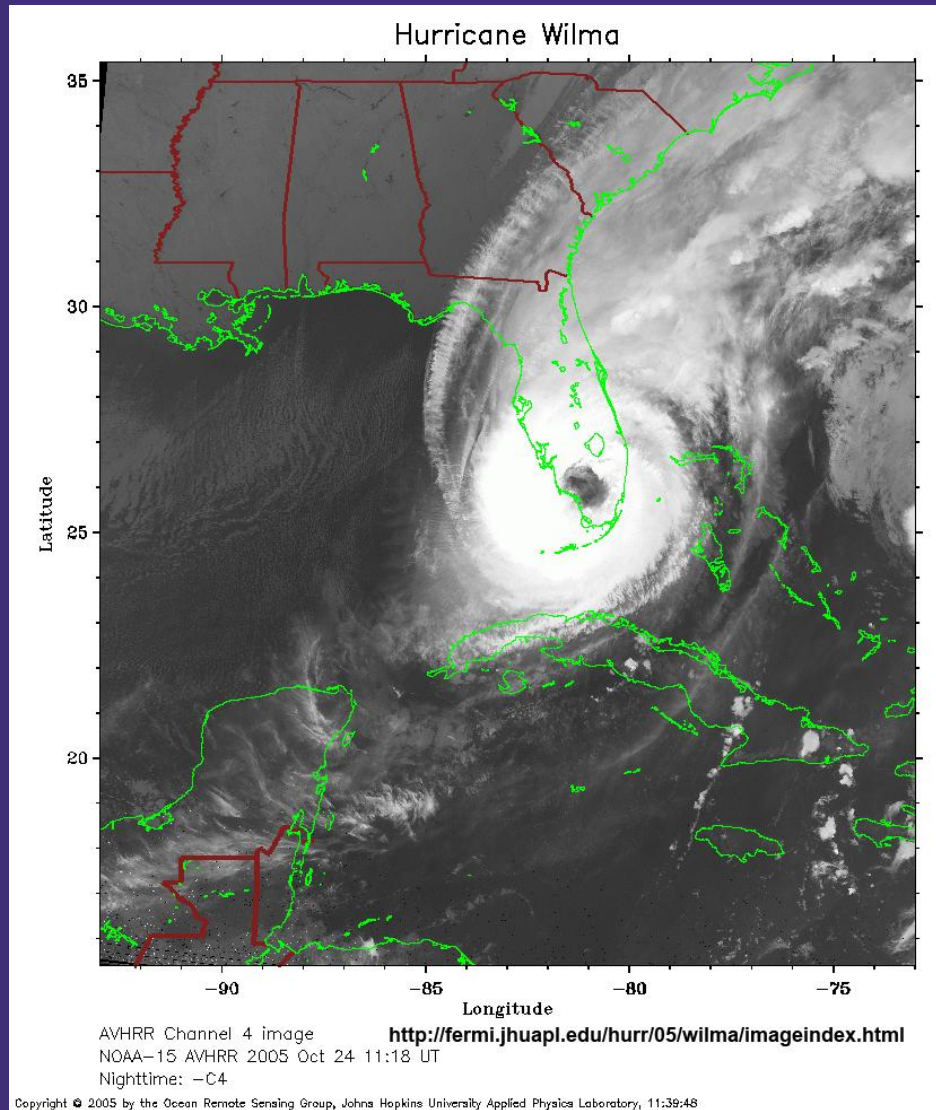
- **1926 – 1932 “Far-Hindcast”**
  - Data-poor; Chosen to span 1<sup>st</sup> air photo coverage
- **1934 – 1940**
  - Chosen for air photo coverage and PEST analysis
- **1996 – 2002 “Near – Hindcast”**
  - Data -rich; Used to develop hydrodynamic model



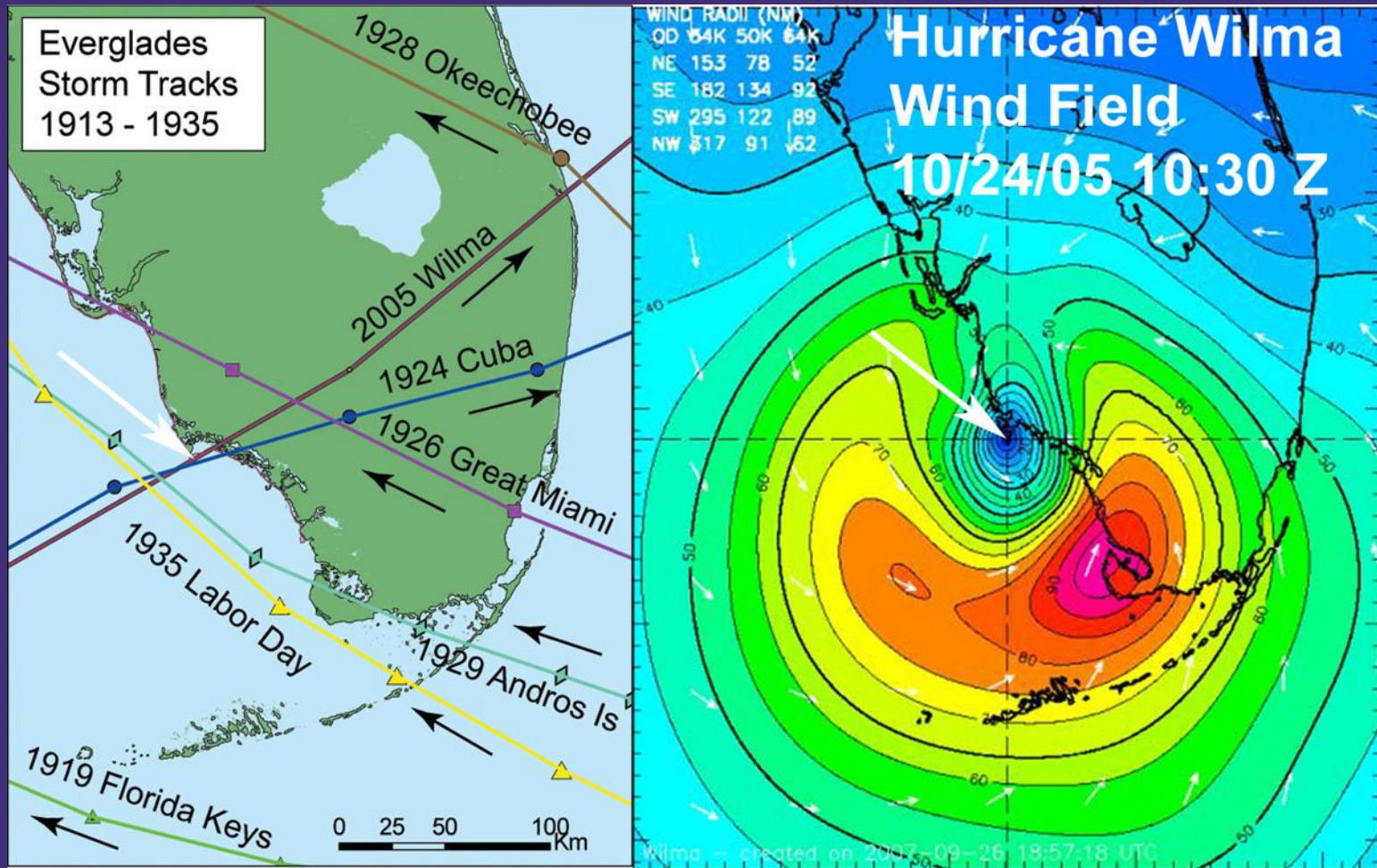
# Objective

Use wind values  
of modern storms  
as estimate for  
wind variability  
in hindcast

***Hurricane Wilma***  
***Oct. 24, 2005***  
***11:18 GMT***



# Gridded Surface Wind Analysis for Hurricane Wilma

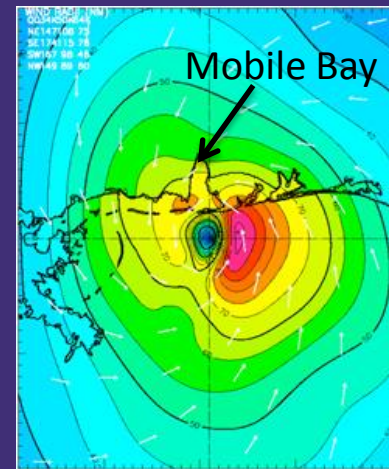




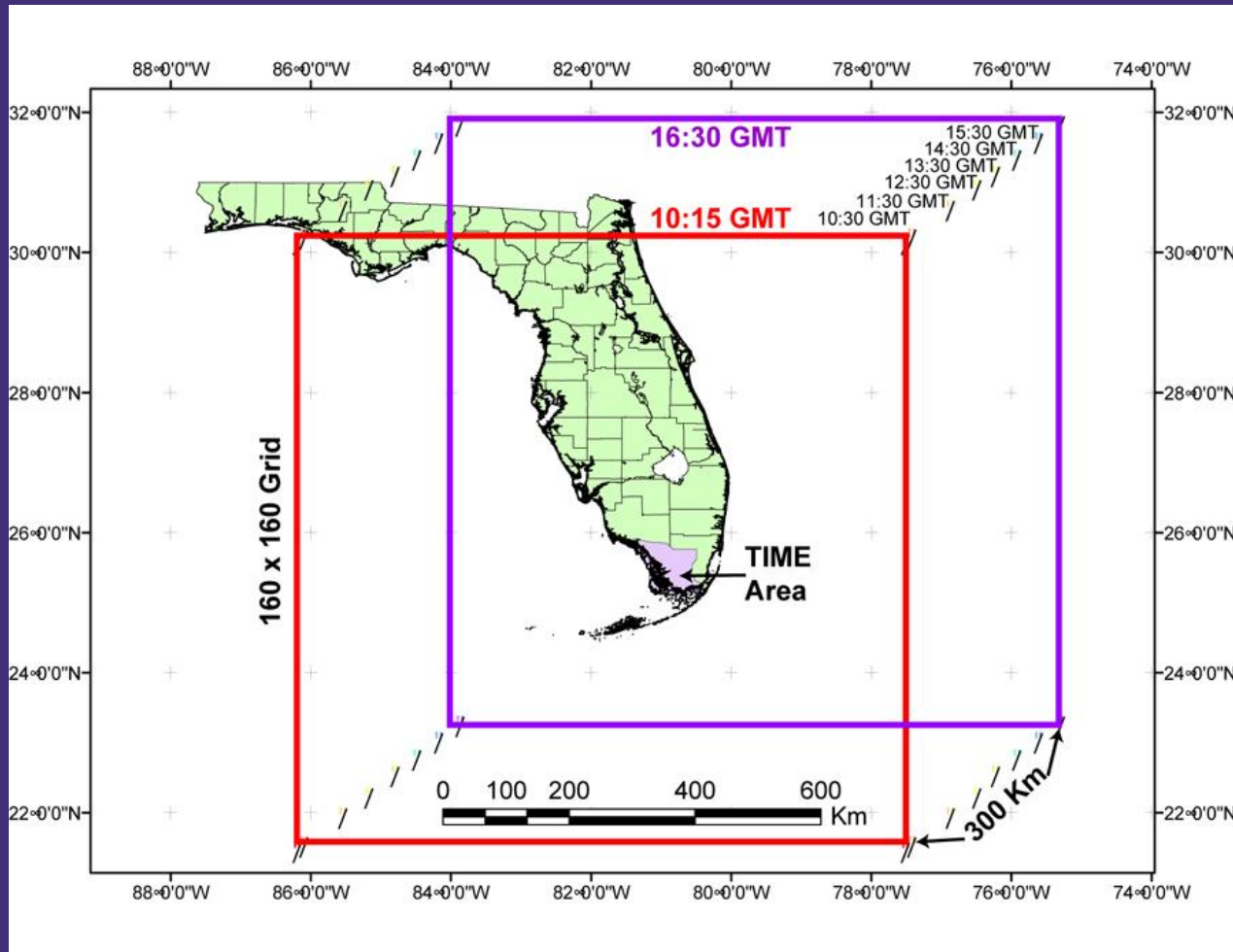
# Why choose Gridded Surface Wind Analysis Product?



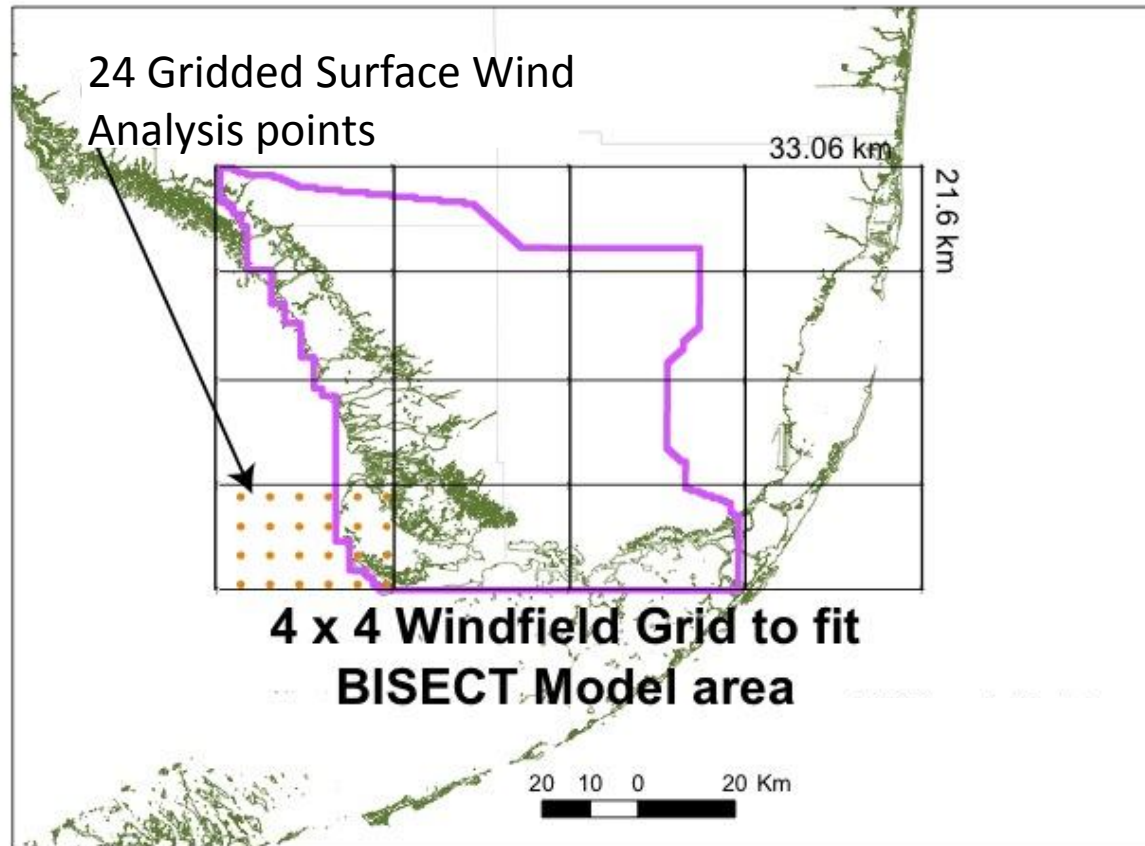
## Hurricane Ivan – 9/16/2004



# Extent of Gridded Surface Wind Analysis for Hurricane Wilma

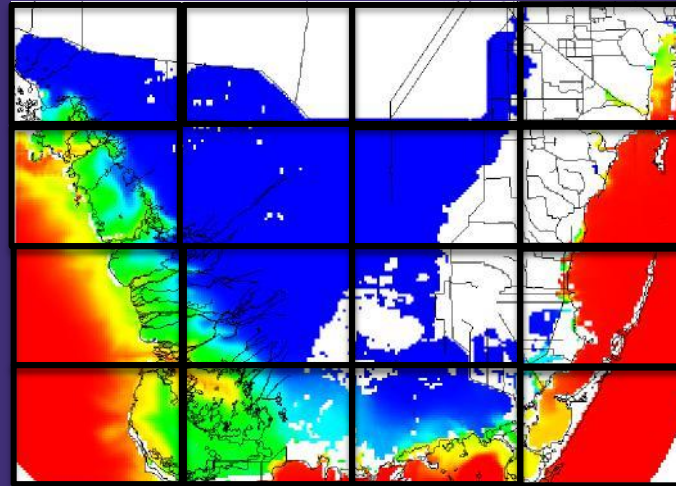


# Deriving 4x4 Hindcast Grid from Wilma Gridded Wind Data



# Comparison of 4x4 Wind Grid to Full Resolution Wind Grid

4 x 4 Wind Grid

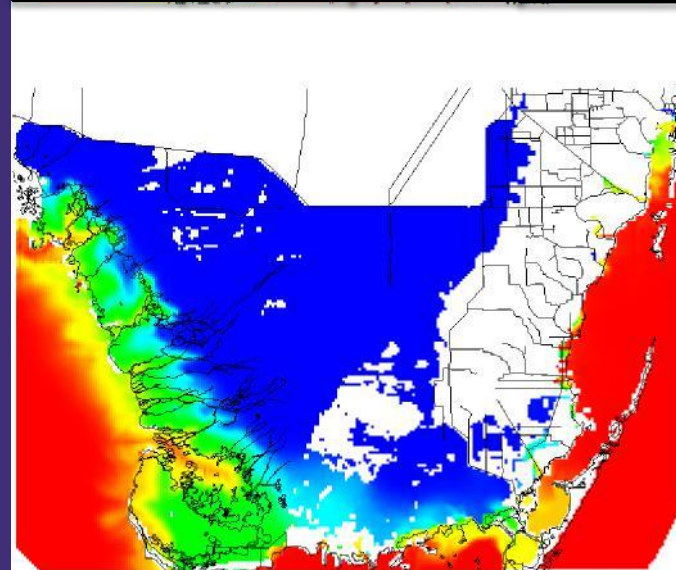


~33 km



~22 km

Full Resolution  
Wind Grid



1996 - 2002  
“Near-Hindcast”



# Results 1926 – 1932 Hindcast

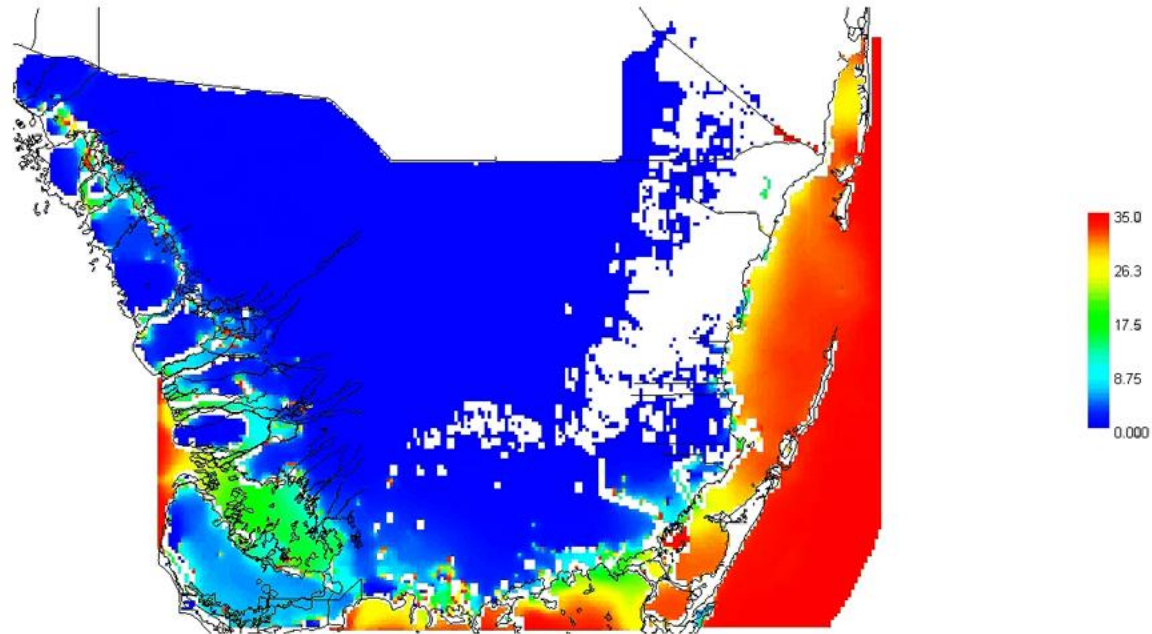


Miami Beach, 1926



# 1928 Okeechobee Storm as seen in 1926-1932 Hindcast

Sept 17, 1928

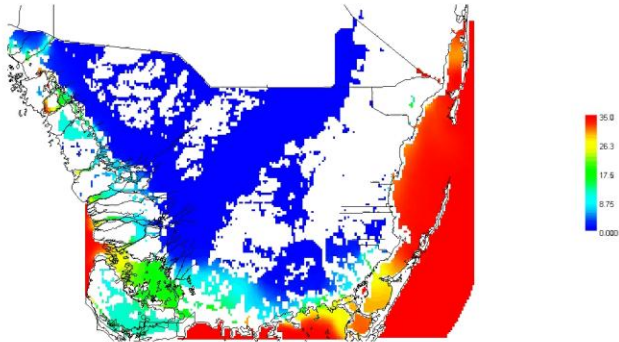


Time = 991 (9-17-1928)

“ $\Delta$ ” Inundation

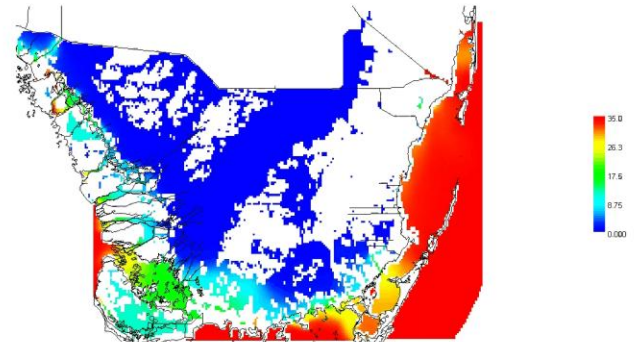
# Initial Hindcast 1926 Great Miami Hurricane

Sept. 17, 1926



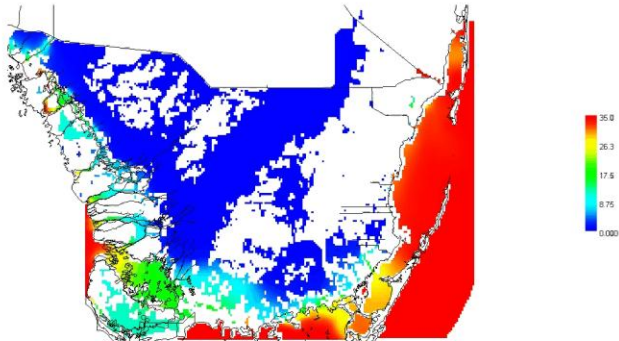
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Sept. 18, 1926



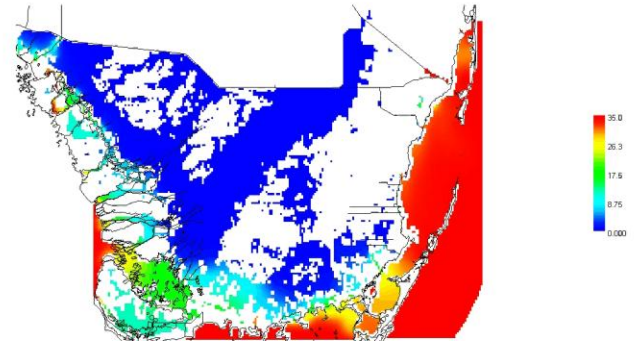
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Sept. 19, 1926



Time = 262 (9-19-1926)

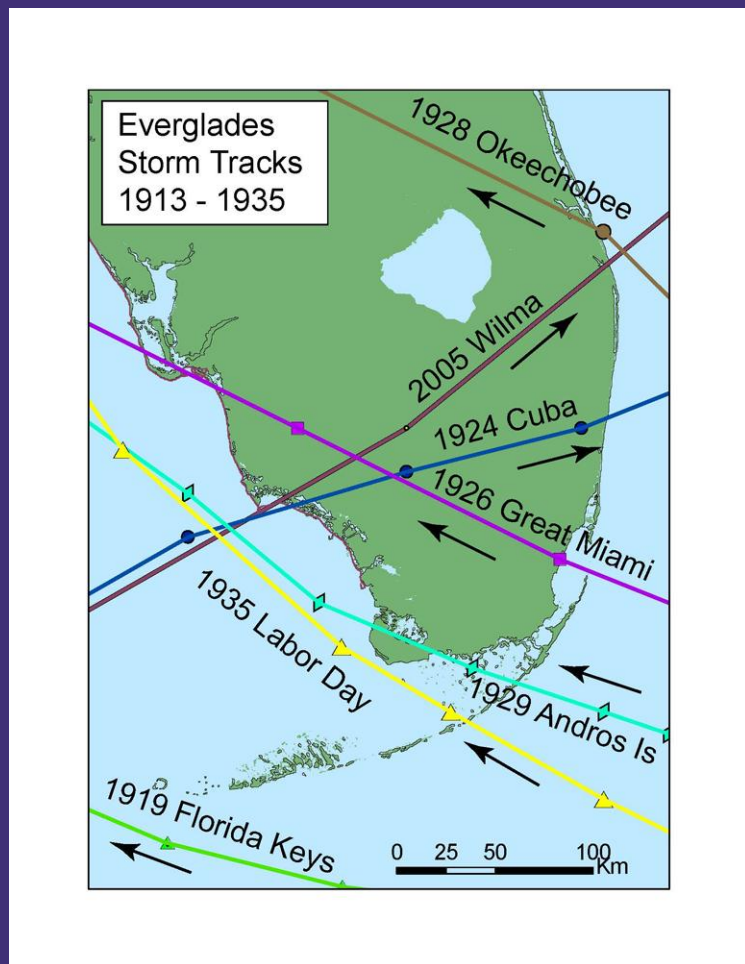
Sept. 20, 1926



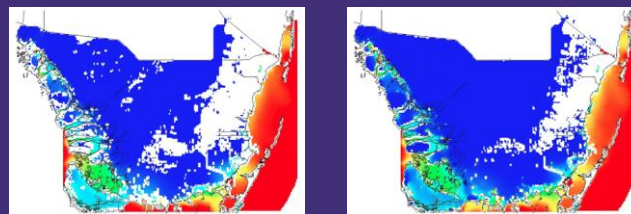
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# Measuring Storm “Δ Inundation” from 1926 – 1932 Hindcast

Km<sup>2</sup>

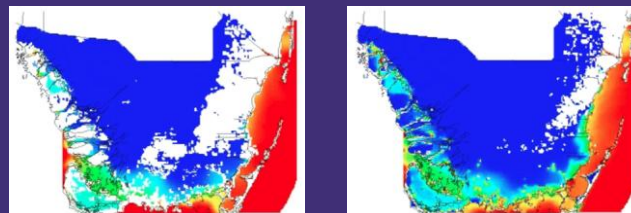


1928 Okeechobee



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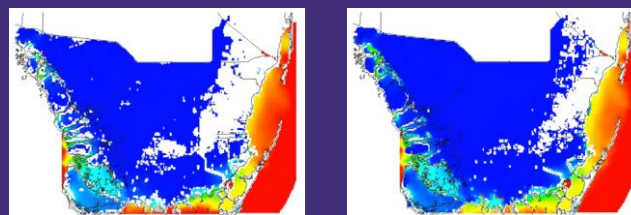
1926 Great Miami



*\*No Input Data*

1788\*

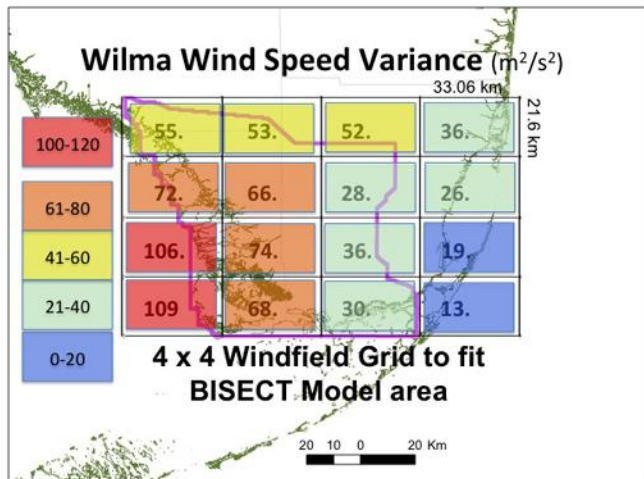
1929 Andros Is.



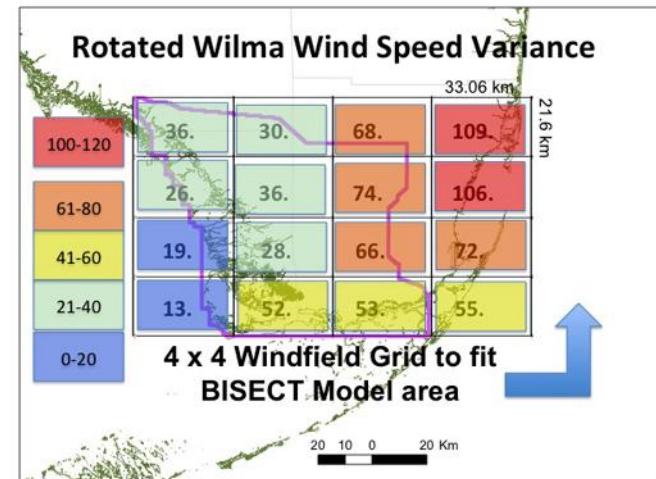
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# Modern -> Hindcast Winds

## Hurricane Wilma



## 1926 Hurricane Analogy



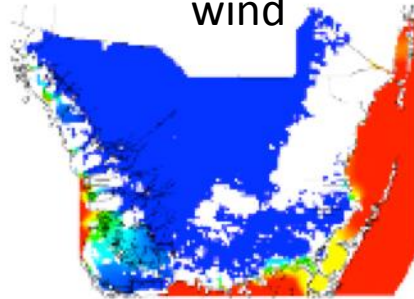
-> Transformation of Wind Fields



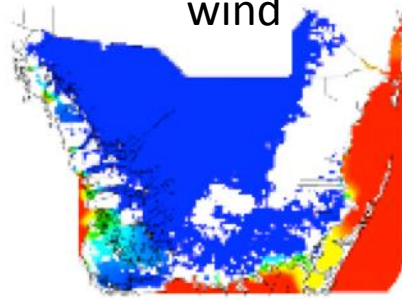
# 1926 Miami Hurricane Hindcast

9/17/1926

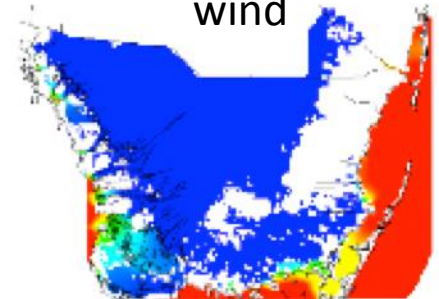
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spatially-uniform  
wind



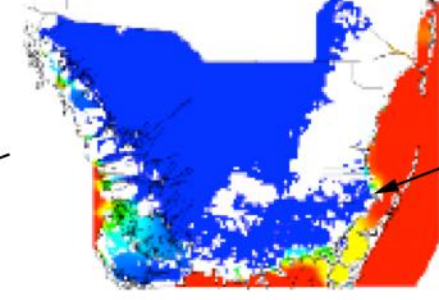
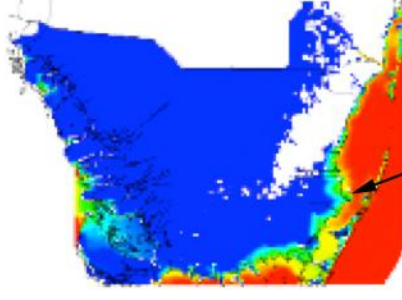
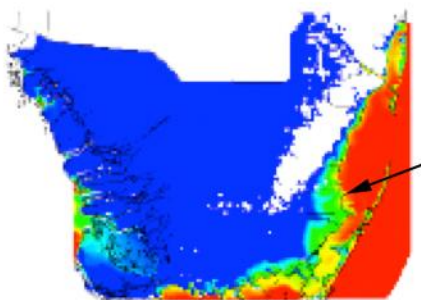
with hurricane  
spatially-variable  
wind



without hurricane  
wind



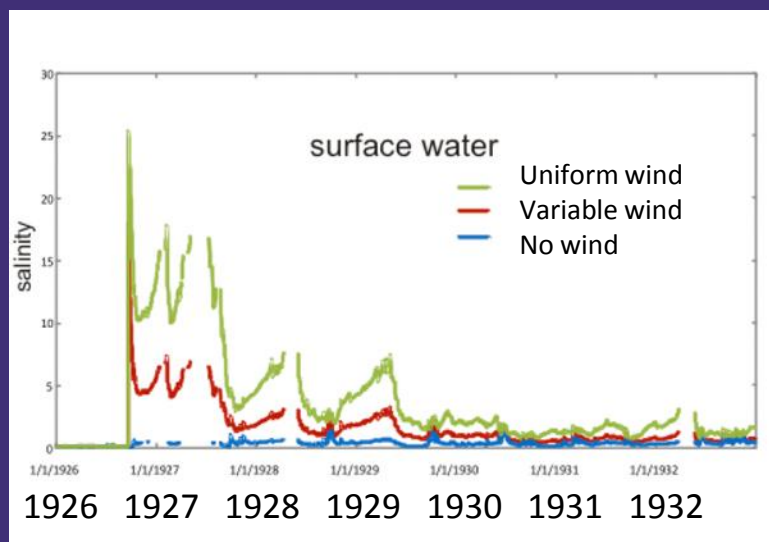
9/18/1926



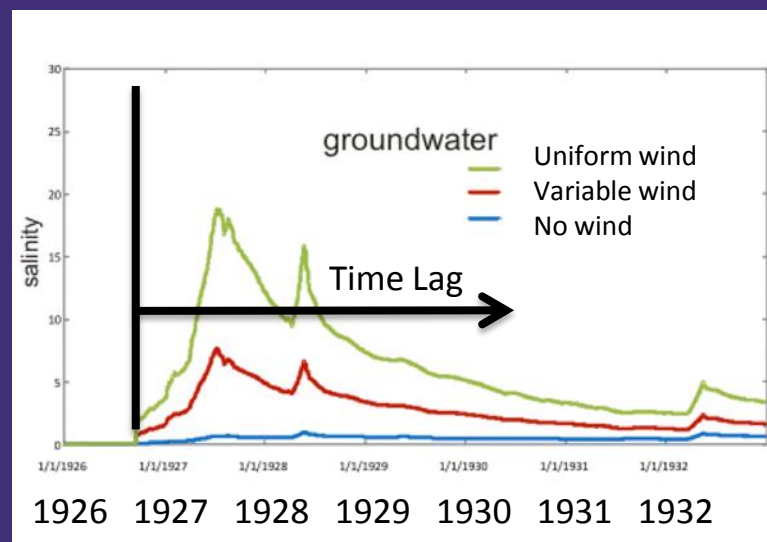


# Predicted Long Term Hydrologic Effects from Hindcast Wind Field

## Surface Water



## Groundwater



# Summary

- 1926 – 1932 hindcast shows good relation to historical events.
- Can make estimates of missing data.
- Able to simplify modern wind data.
- Modern wind surrogates for hindcast.
- *First steps in making futurecasts...*

