GSSHA MODELING FOR ANALYSIS OF FLOOD DESIGN FEATURES AT THE PICAYUNE STRAND RESTORATION PROJECT

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Chicago Tribune (circa 1967)

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Picayune Strand Restoration



- one of the first Comprehensive Everglades Restoration Plan (CERP) projects under construction
- Restores 55,000 acres of native Florida wetlands and uplands at the site of the failed Southern Golden Gate Estates development.

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Legend



Separated Canals Major Roads Calibration/

Verification Stations Other US-41 Bridges

Project Features

Spreader Berms Tie Back Levee Degraded SGGE Canal Plugs

Pump Station

- Roads
- Proposed 6L Levee

Project Features

- **3 spreader canals**
- 3 pump stations: Merritt •

 - **Faka Union**

Miller

- Plugging 48 miles of canals (with more than 100 plugs) •
- Removing and degrading 260 miles of roads •



Study Purpose and Design

- Refinement proposed flood control features per
 - EMs 1110-2-1619
 - 1110-2-1913
 - ER 1105-2-101)
- Multi-tiered modeling approach.
 - MIKESHE → Tier 1 GSSHA → Tier 2 GSSHA models for the three privately owned areas.



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What is GSSHA?

Watershed simulation and management

- Hydrologic
- Hydraulic
- Sediment and water quality simulation
- Fully distributed, physics based
- Finite Difference regular grid
- US Army ERDC Product
 - www.gsshawiki.com
 - Maintained
 - Supported
 - Distributed







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Model Purpose

Determine hydraulic design criteria for the protective features per the new ER's-EM's-ETL's

- Port of the Islands
- Private Lands
- 6L's







Modeling Approach

1. Model Migration

- Existing Mike She/Mike 11 Models (PIR Models)
- Gridded Surface Subsurface Hydrologic Analysis (GSSHA)

2. Develop Tier 1 Models

- Low resolution, large domain
- Calibration: 1995 Storm Event (Tropical Storm Jerry)
- Develop existing and "with" project conditions

3. Develop Tier 2 Models

High resolution/ small domain



- High level of detail wrt Tier 1 models
- Design criteria



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Migration of MSHE/M11 (PIR) model to GSSHA



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Tier 1 Existing Condition



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Peak Flooding Extent



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Tier 2 With Project Models

Private Lands



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Scale Effects – Private Lands

120m Model, Flood Depth

20m Model, Flood Depth





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Pre/Post Project Comparisons

Private Lands



Port of the Island





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Private Lands Levee Crest Design Criteria



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6Ls Tier 2 Model



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6L's Farms Levee Crest Design Criteria

6Ls Water Surface Profiles



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- levee originally envisioned to be constructed to protect the Port of the Islands areas from potential flooding is not necessary.
- Protective levee just south of the Miller pump station and extending to the west, could be shortened to almost half of what it was originally envisioned in the PSRP PIR.
- The outcome of this modeling work represented approximately \$40M in construction cost savings to the USACE Jacksonville District and the South Florida Water Management District.



