

Numerical Model for Short-Term Forecasting of Everglades Hydrology Using a Current Conditions Water- Level Network

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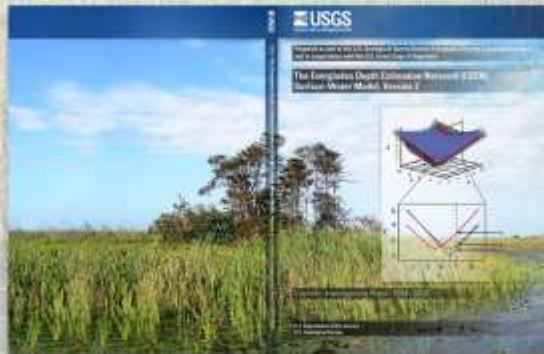
Hydrologic forecasting with a numerical model

- Simulate and calibrate model based on known time period
- Modify model parameters to represent potential future conditions
- Gain insight from modified simulation
- Doesn't relate directly to daily management operations

What is EDEN?

- An integrated network of water-level gages,
- Ground elevation and surface-water level models,
- Daily water-depth and water-surface maps, and
- Online applications to evaluate critical habitats

RECOVER: Restoration Coordination & Verification
A Federal-State (Florida) partnership



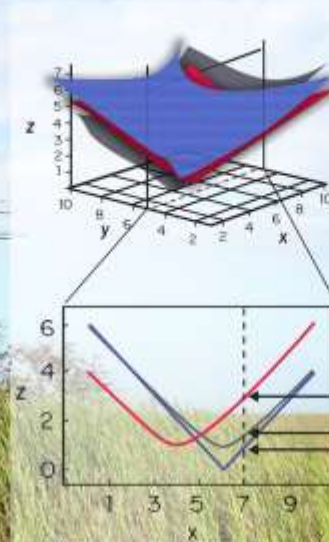
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From monitoring data to water-level surfaces

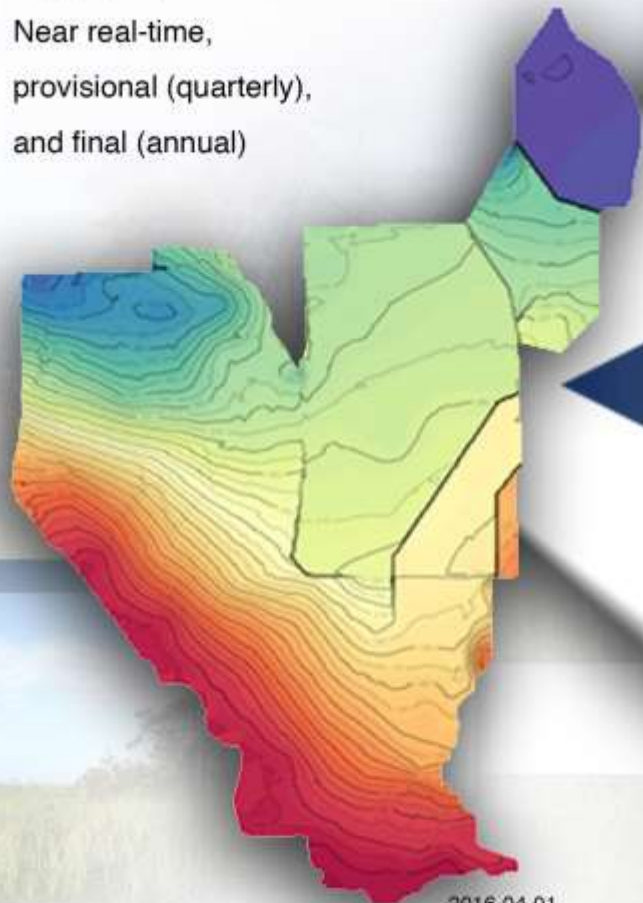
WATER-LEVEL SURFACES

Daily, from 1991 – present

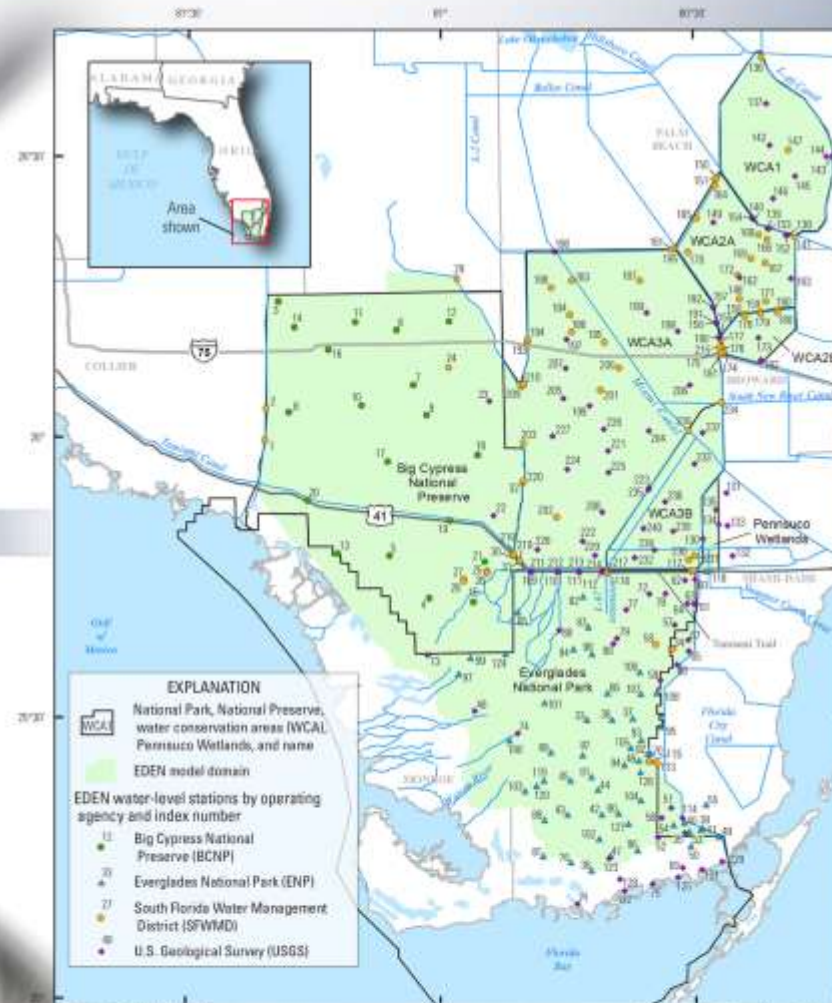
400 x 400 meter grid (over 57,000 cells)

Data Review:

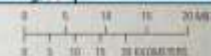
Near real-time,
provisional (quarterly),
and final (annual)



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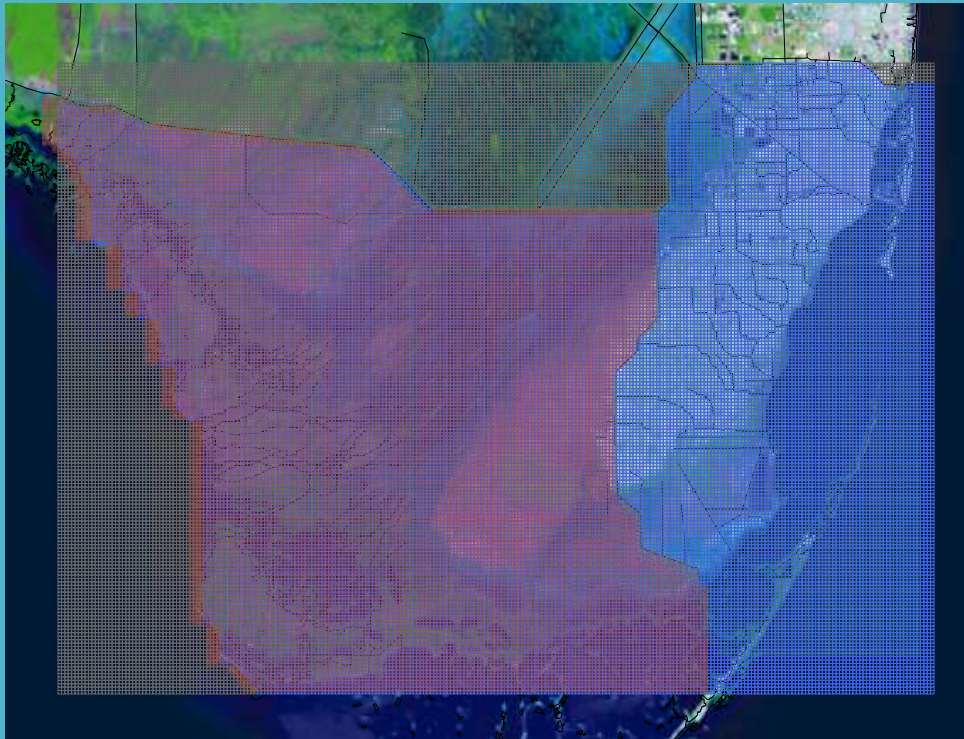


Scale from USGS Data & Maps, 2010
U.S. Geological Survey Everglades Depth Estimation Network, 2011
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FTLOADDS Simulator used to develop BISECT model

- Coupled hydrodynamic surface-water/groundwater simulator
 - Simulates flow and salinity transport in both surface water and groundwater
 - Constructed from the SWIFT2D surface-water and SEAWAT groundwater simulators



- SPATIAL GRID SCALE:
 - Rows: 186 (500 Meters)
 - Columns: 259 (500 Meters)
 - Layers: 15 (1-11 2 Meters, layers 12-15 Vary Based upon bottom of geological units)
- TEMPORAL SCALE:
 - Surface water: 5 minute
 - Groundwater: Daily
 - Simulation Period:
 - 1996-2004

FTLOADDS (Flow and Transport in a Linked Overland/Aquifer Density Dependent System) Combines:

SWIFT2D hydrodynamic surface water code

SEAWAT variable density ground-water flow and transport code

Satisfies requirements for modeling South Florida

Hydrodynamic representation of surface water in two-dimensions

Three dimensional representation of groundwater

Salinity transport is represented in each model and passed with leakage

Modifications

Heat Transport

Interfaces with other models

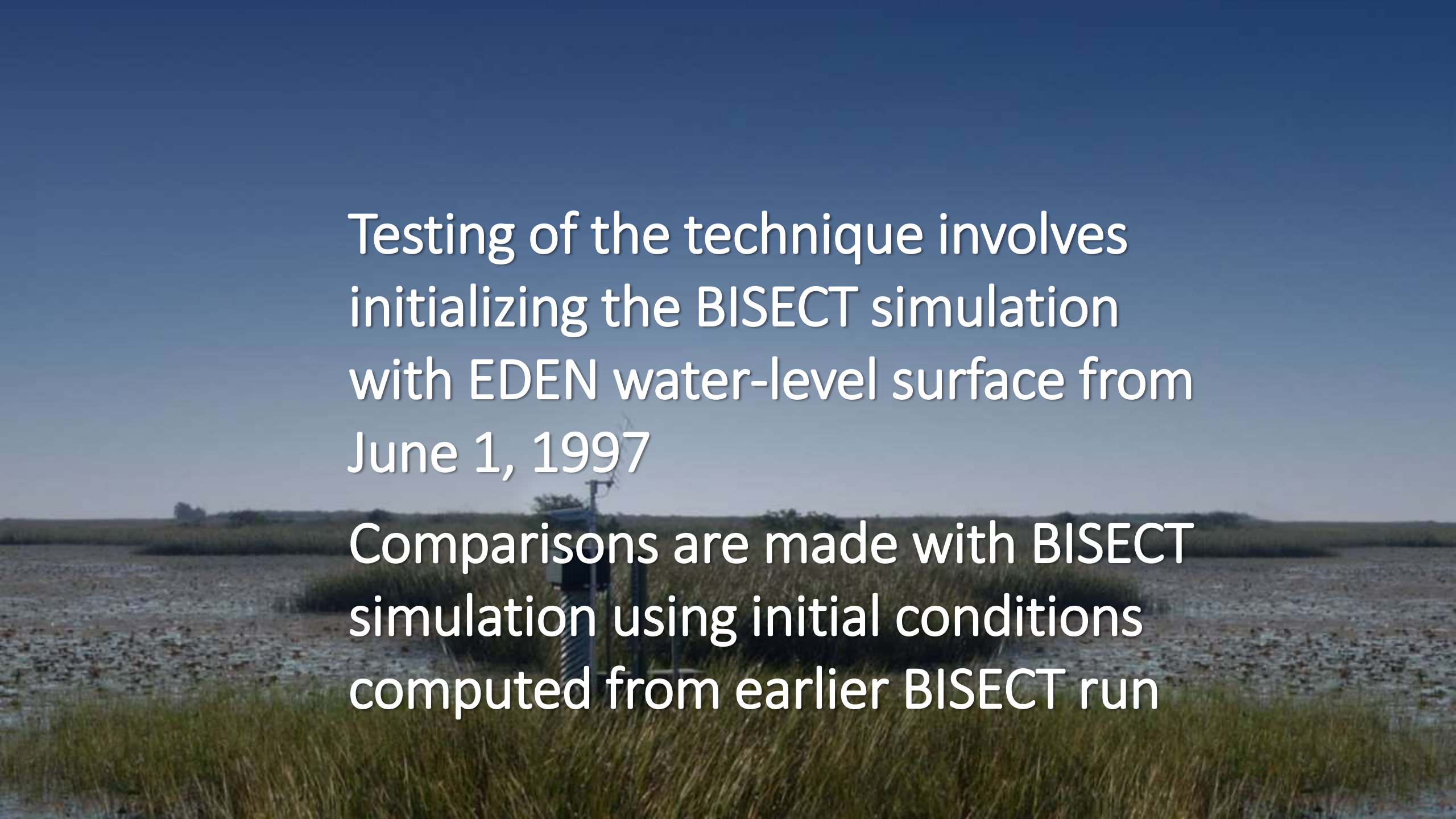




Predictive BISECT simulation from EDEN water-level surfaces

To make predictive simulations, BISECT can be run with EDEN water-levels as initial conditions.

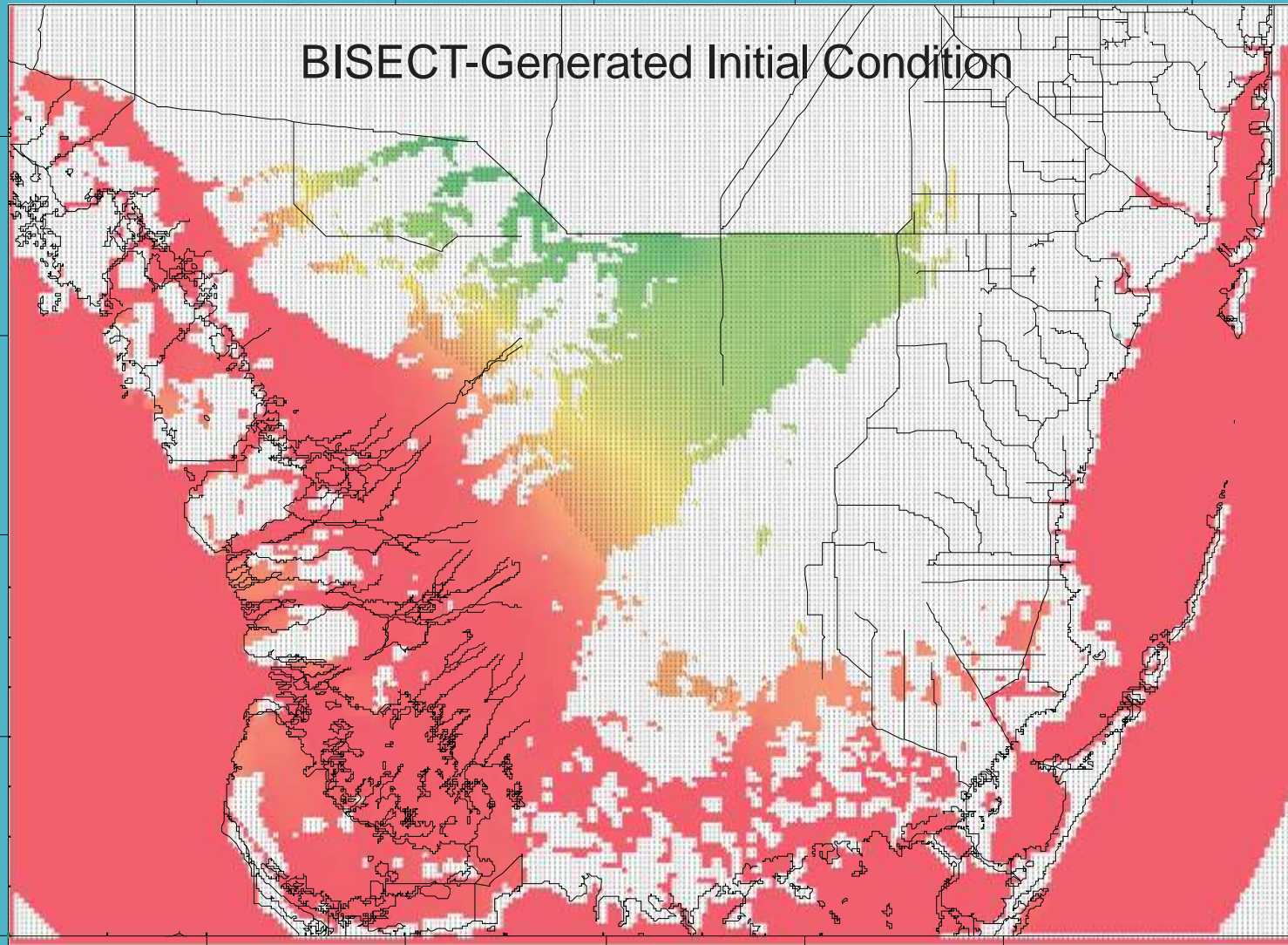
Environmental conditions for the simulations can be typical or extreme values for the seasonal period simulated

A coastal landscape with a water level gauge in the foreground and a clear blue sky. The gauge is a blue structure with a white top, situated in a grassy area. The background shows a wide expanse of water and a distant shoreline with some trees.

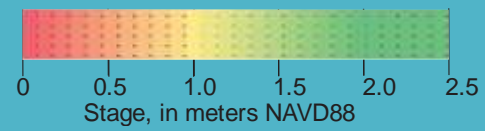
Testing of the technique involves
initializing the BISECT simulation
with EDEN water-level surface from
June 1, 1997

Comparisons are made with BISECT
simulation using initial conditions
computed from earlier BISECT run

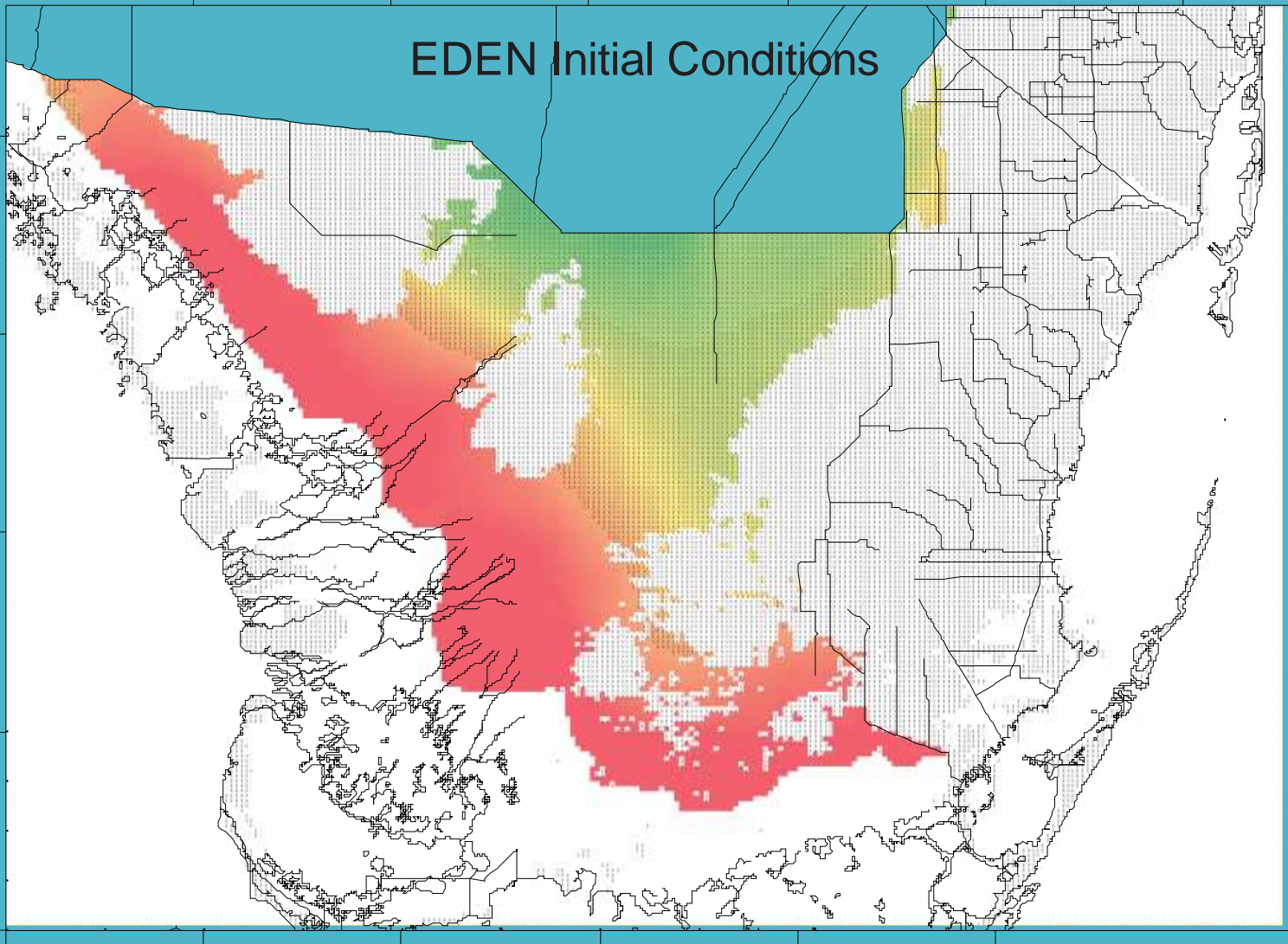
BISECT-Generated Initial Condition



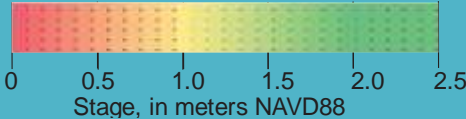
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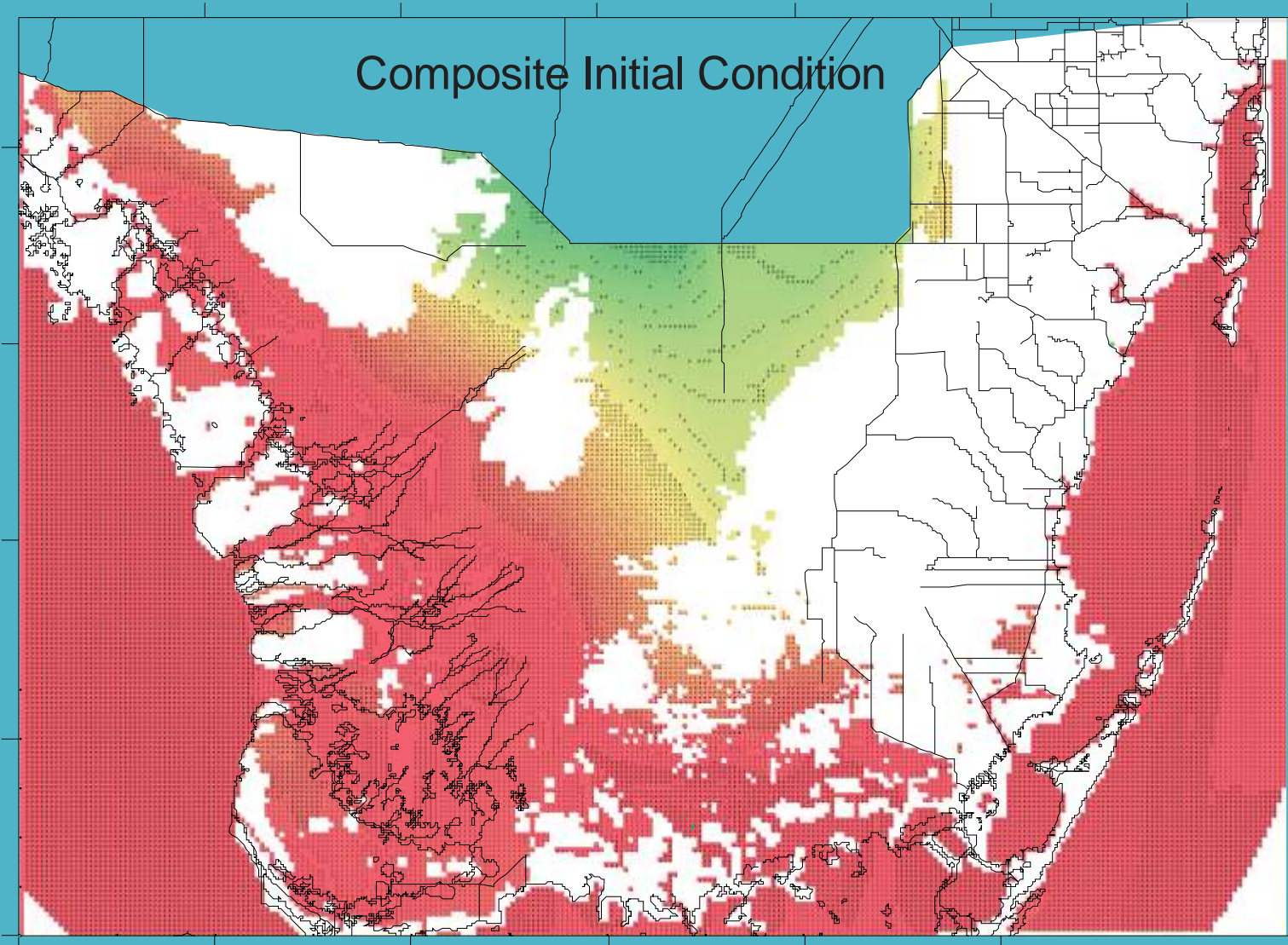
EDEN Initial Conditions



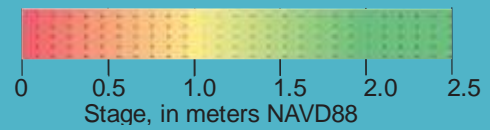
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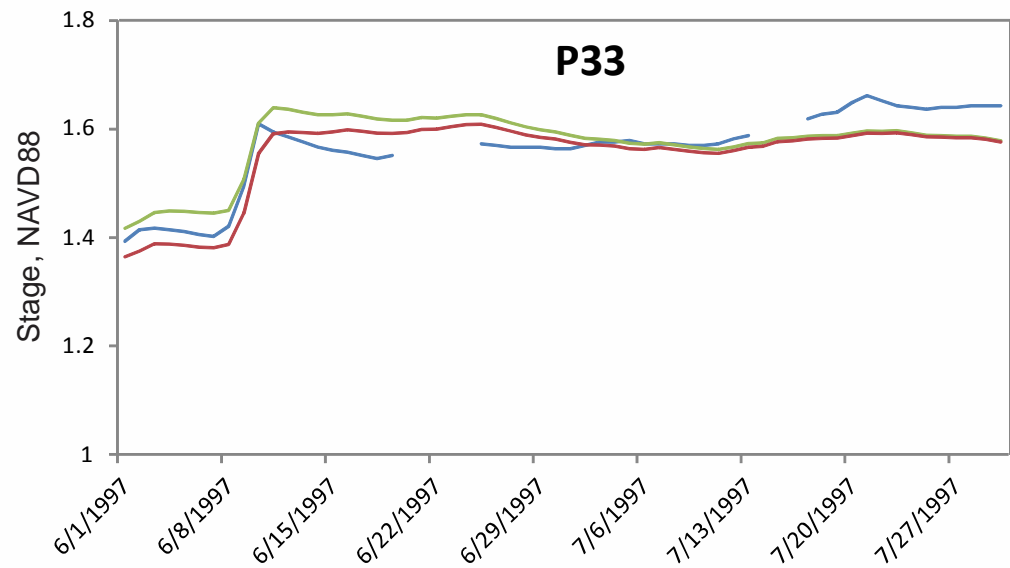
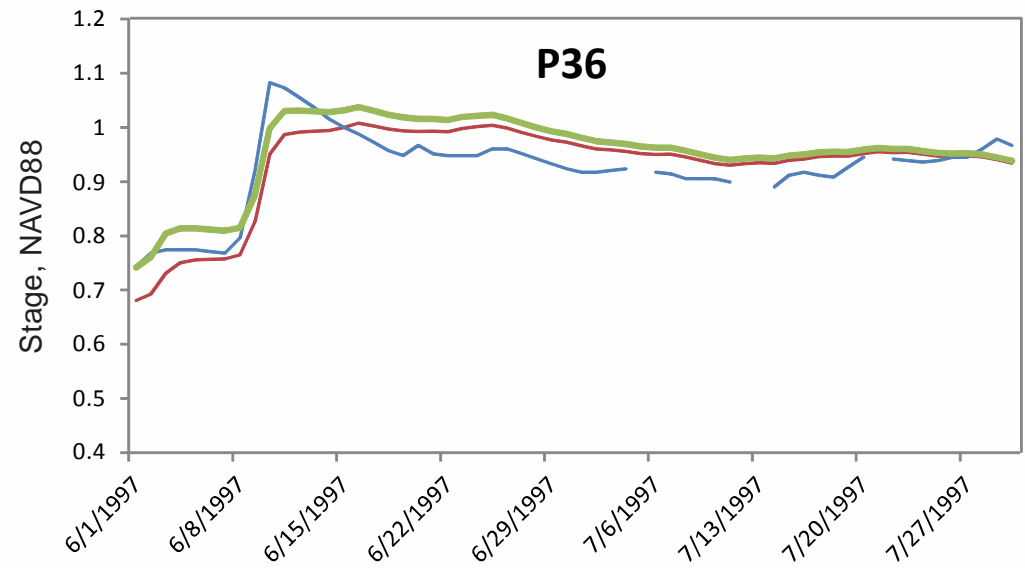
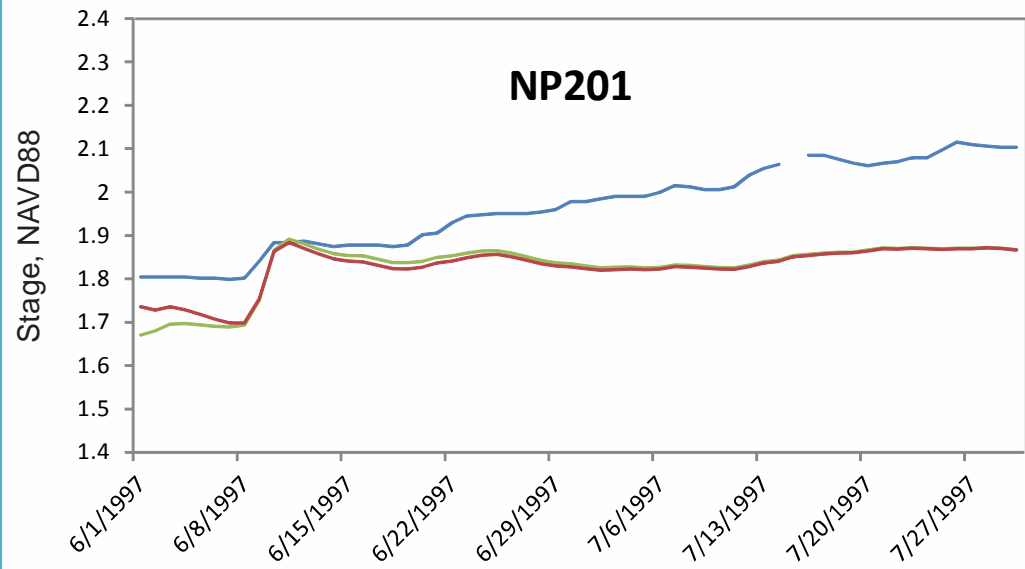


Composite Initial Condition

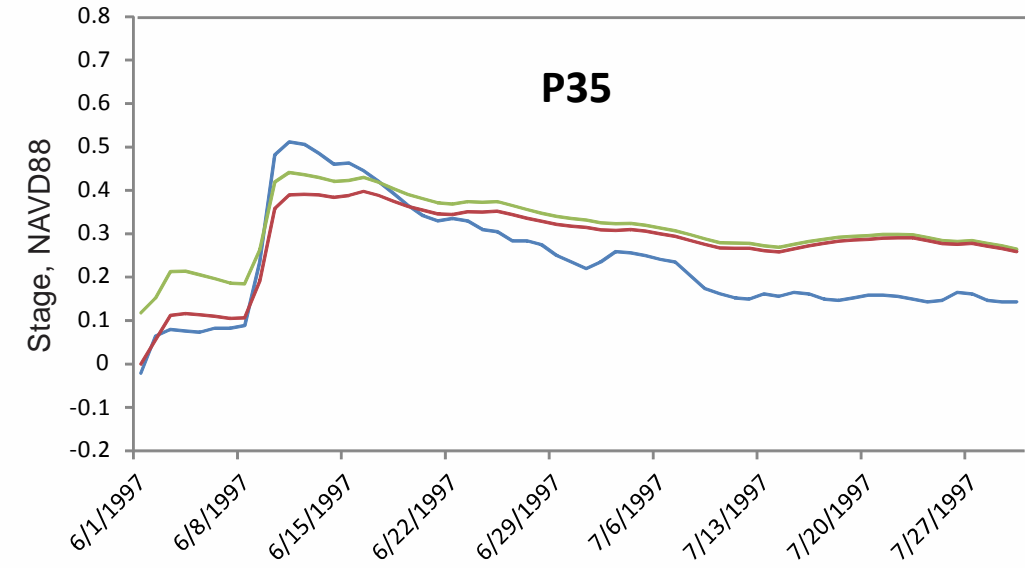


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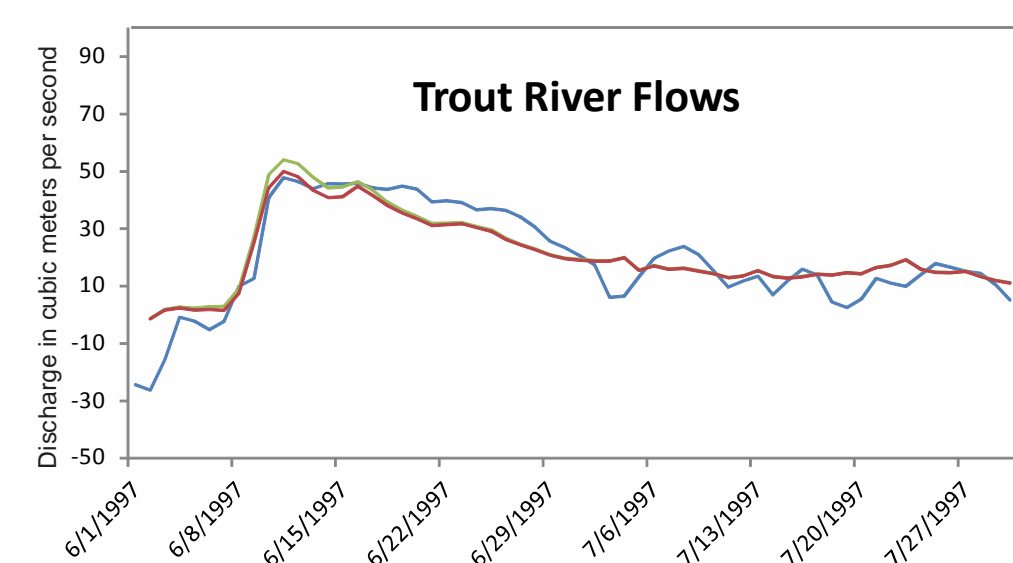
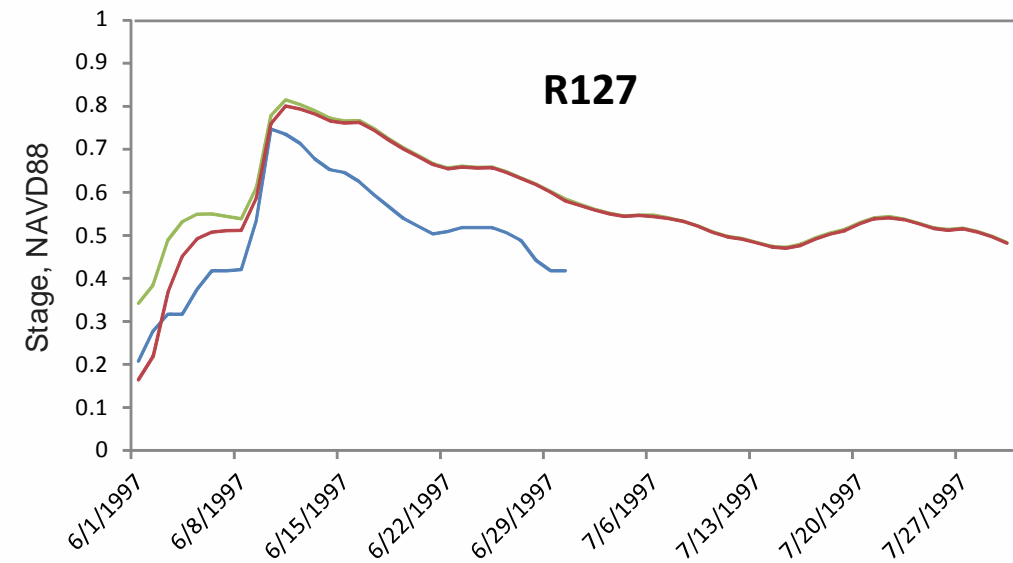
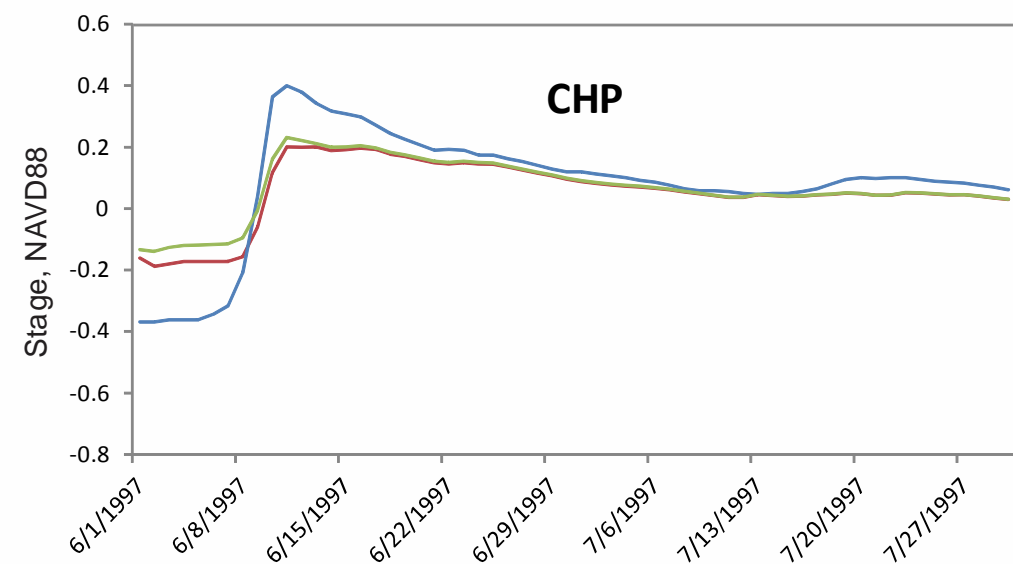
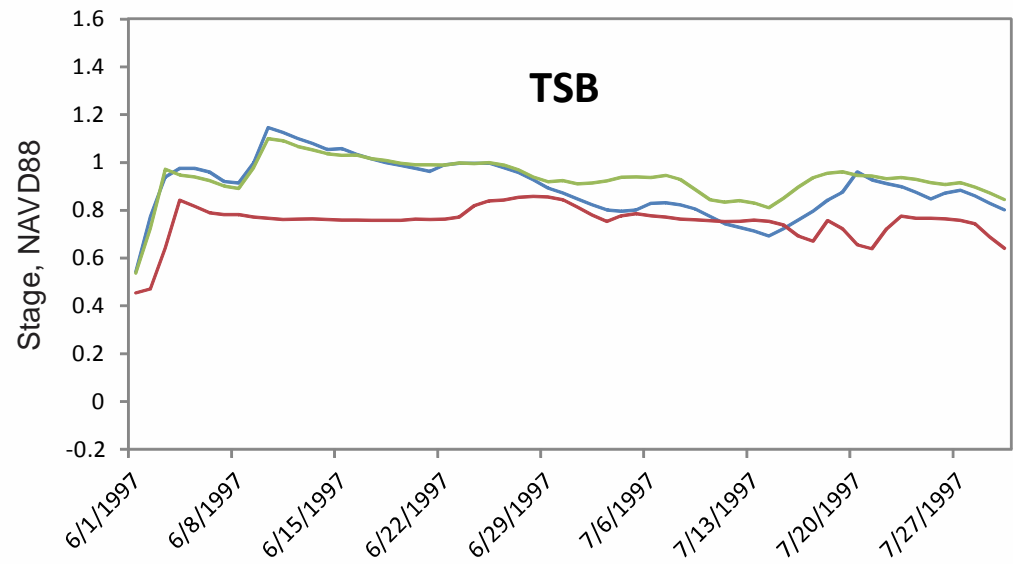




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 — EDEN initial conditions



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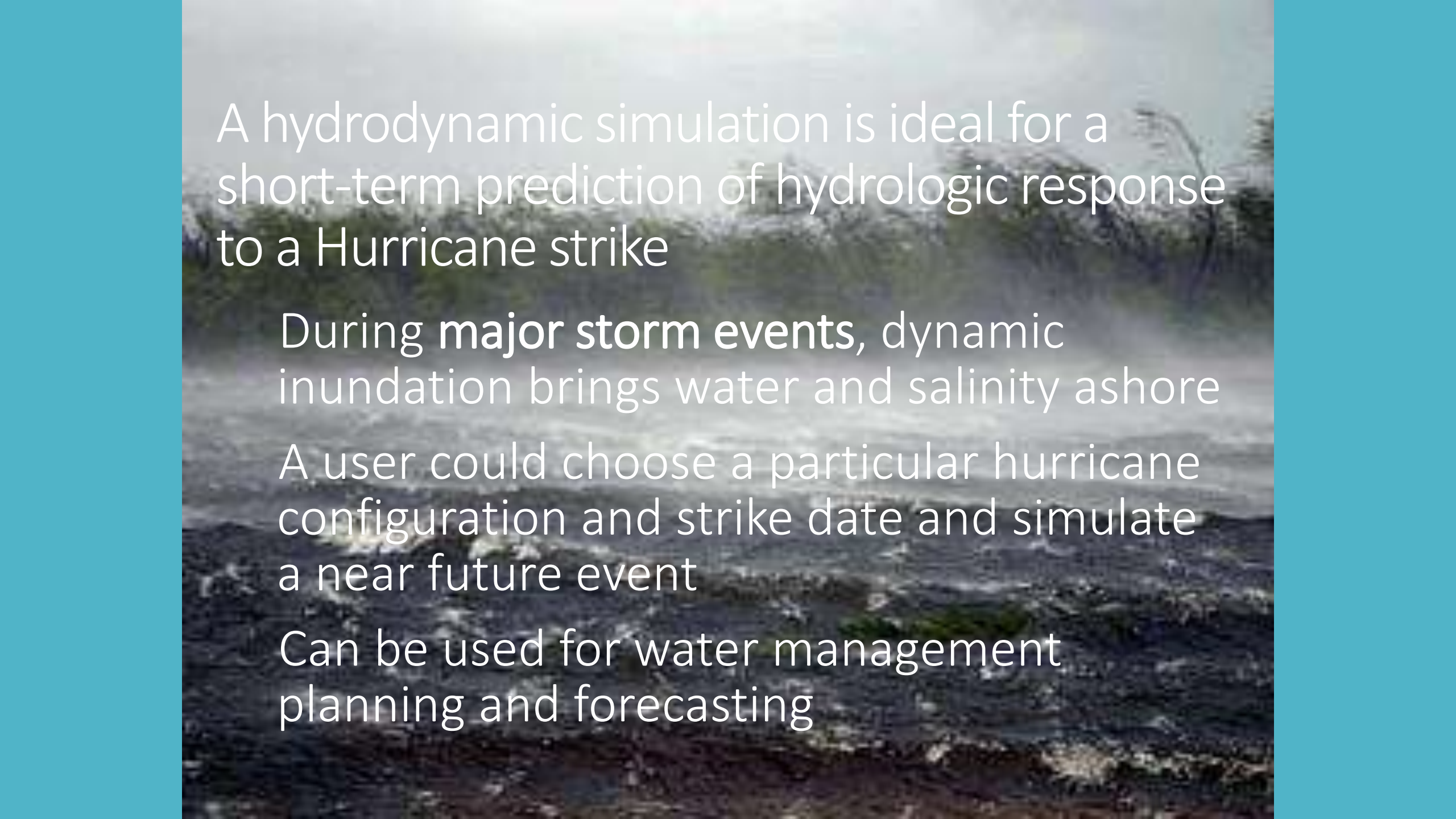
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Implementing EDEN/BISECT short-term forecast

- 1) The environmental conditions for the predictive simulation are numerous and varied; parameters such as wind, evapotranspiration, and sea-level can be set to typical values for the dates simulated.
- 2) Controlling variables such as rainfall and control-structure operations can be defined by the user; a selection of high, average, or low rainfall series and defined structure inflows and outflows.
- 3) A real-time predictive tool for the Everglades will provide water managers such as ACOE and SFWMD planning information, especially when the effects of storm events can be simulated.



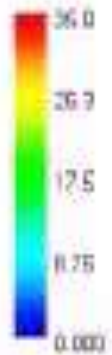
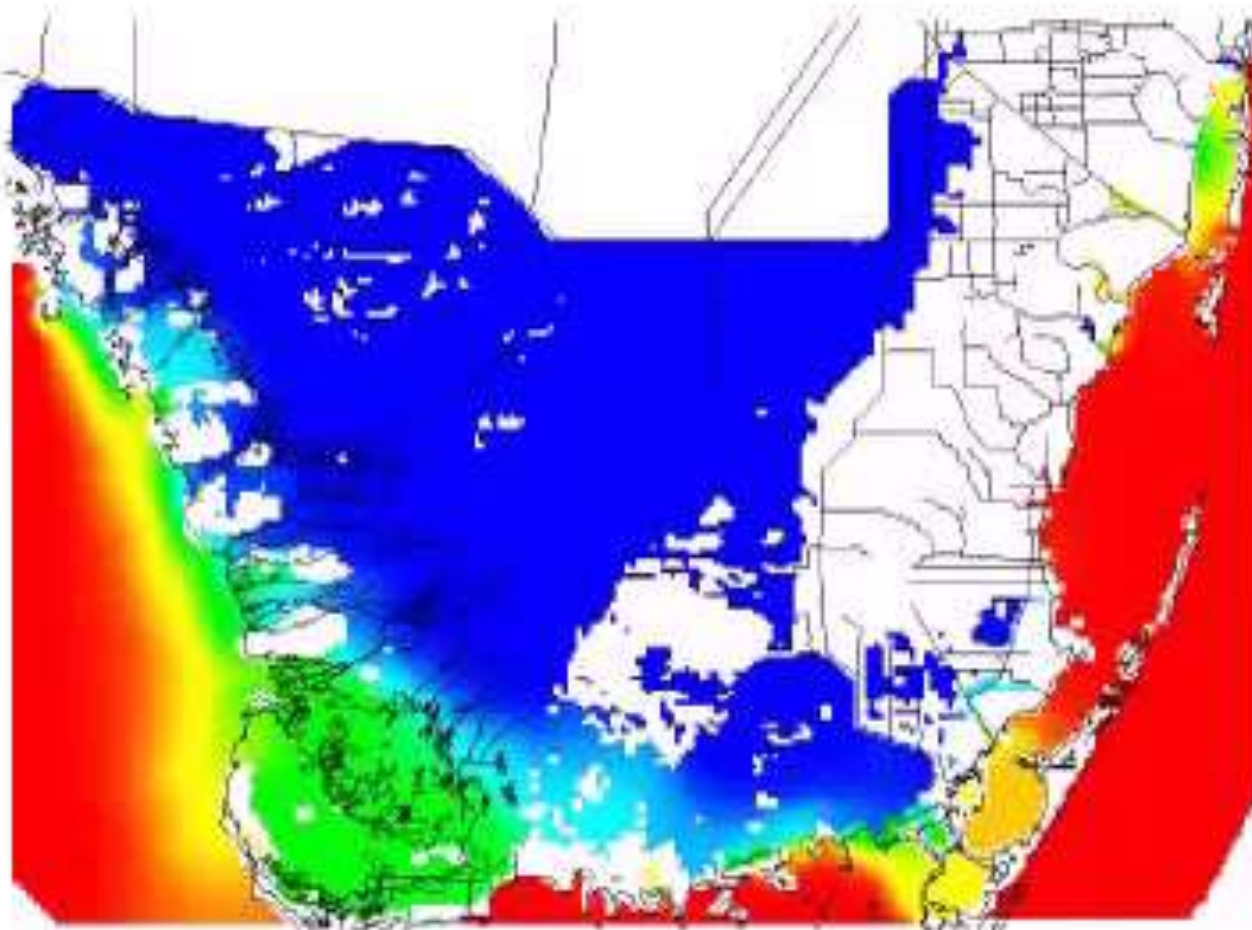
A hydrodynamic simulation is ideal for a short-term prediction of hydrologic response to a Hurricane strike

During **major storm events**, dynamic inundation brings water and salinity ashore

A user could choose a particular hurricane configuration and strike date and simulate a near future event

Can be used for water management planning and forecasting

Hurricane
Wilma



Time = 209 (9-16-1999)

Consideration for user interaction

- Numerical simulation may take significant time (minutes) which is not amenable to online results
- When allowing various options for control inflows, rainfall, and especially storm configurations, the number of potential simulations becomes quite large.
- The numerical model has prodigious output including surface water, groundwater, and salinity parameters, so output display is complex and difficult.

Question?