

Phase 7 WSM Progress – Moving towards completeness of the Dynamic Watershed Model (DWSM) development

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Presentation Outline

Phase 7 Dynamic Watershed Model (DWSM)

1. Dynamic Watershed Model overview

2. Review of prior model development progress

3. Moving towards completeness of the DWSM

- Incorporation of P7 land use
- Extend the simulation period to 2024 (1985 to 2024, i.e., 40 years!)
- Monitoring and WRTDS-K data for model calibration & verification
- Improve trend component of generalized stream network routing

4. Summary and next steps

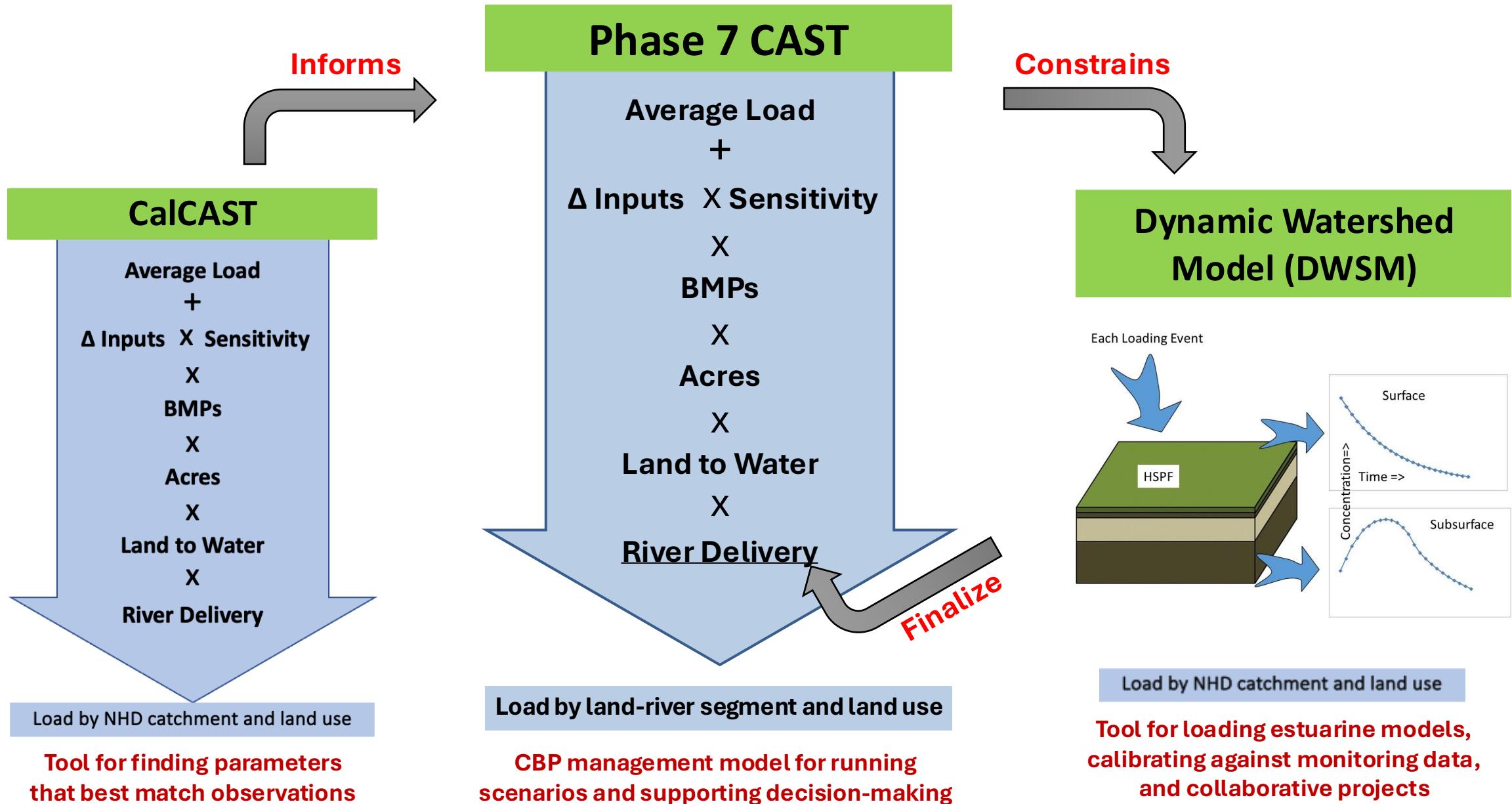
Purpose

NHD Scale Dynamic Watershed Model (DWSM)

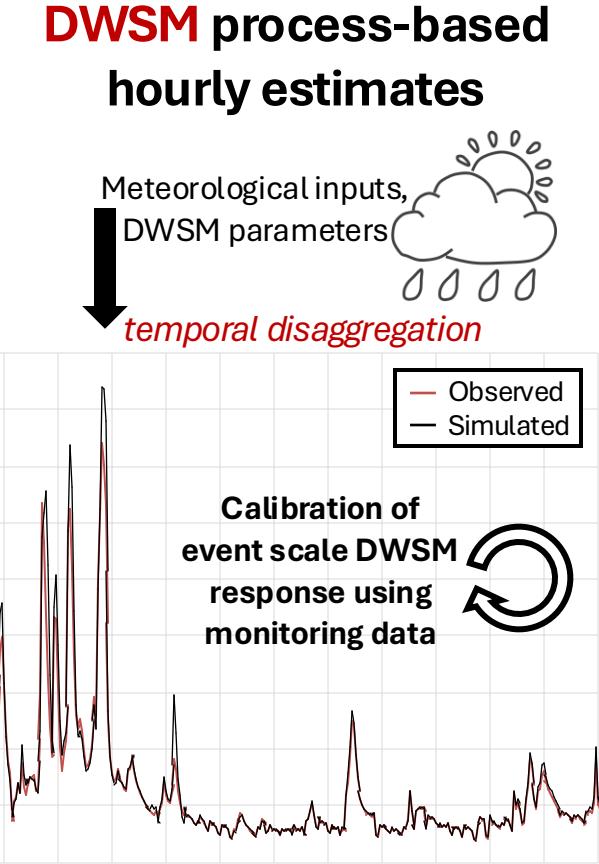
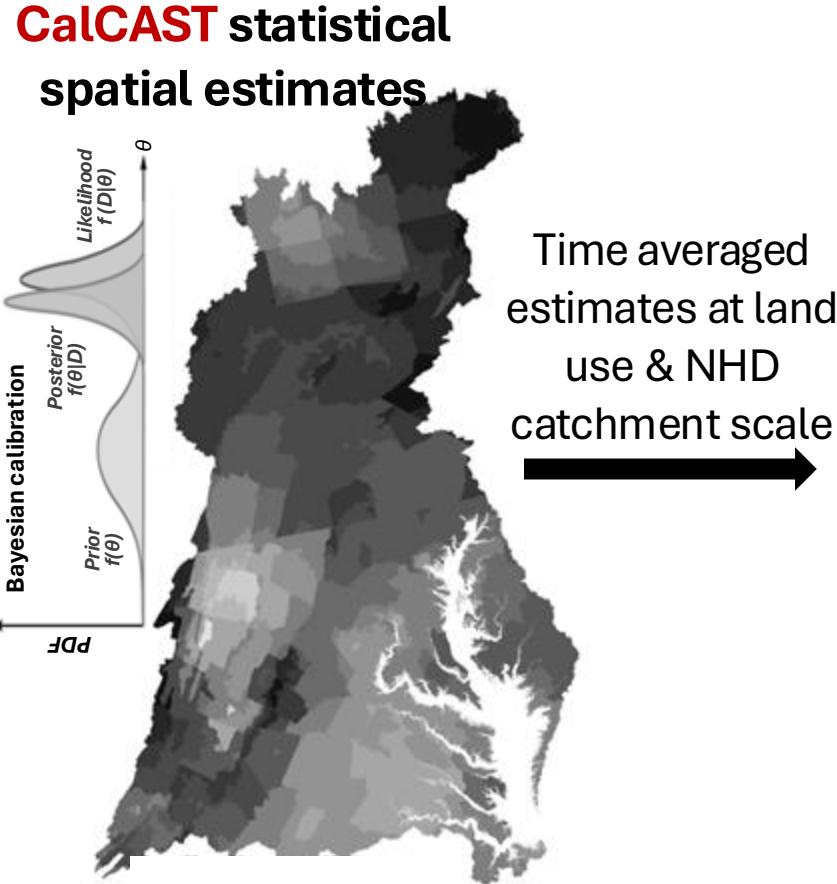
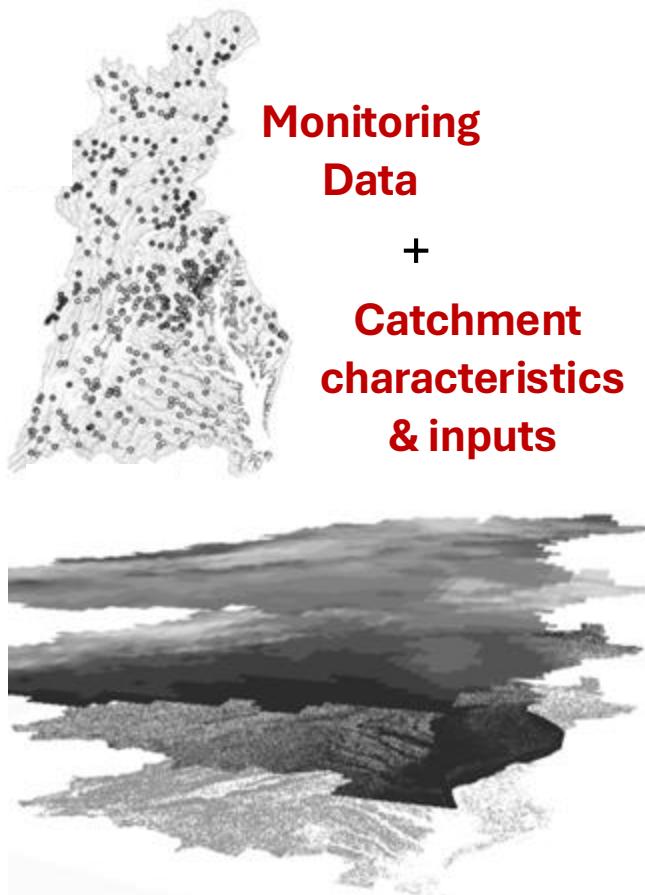
- Inputs for the estuarine models (MBM/MTMs)
- Watershed model calibration and scenario applications
- Support research and collaboration activities

Phase 7 Watershed Models and Structure

CAST – Chesapeake Assessment Scenario Tool



Framework: Statistical Model (CalCAST) → Dynamic Watershed Model (DWSM)



- Data-driven CalCAST informs DWSM parameters and responses.
- NHD-scale Phase 7 DWSM is using CalCAST average annual (a) total flow, (b) stormflow, (c) sediment erosion and delivery factors, and (d) total nitrogen and total phosphorus loads and delivery factors.

Dynamic Watershed Model (DWSM) Development

- Year 2022: NHD-scale model structure and prototypes for hydrology, sediment, and nutrients.
- Year 2023: Incremental refinements of model prototypes in terms of model segmentation, CalCAST→DWSM linkage, and simulation of the small streams.
- Year 2024: stream water quality routing based on β parameters; refinements of small stream flow and water temperature routing modules; mechanics of riverine water quality calibrations.
- **Year 2025:** Q1: development and testing of DWSM and MBM linkage through beta versions; Q2: stream routing with RF model estimated β parameters, sediment routing, estimation of riverine transport parameters and further refinements of the DWSM calibration; Q3: organic scour in rivers, trend component in stream routing, BMPs, etc. **Q4: P7 land use; extend calibration period to 2024; monitoring data; and GSN trends.**

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Tidal performance

Zhengui Wang & Wenfan Wu (VIMS)

Table 1: Comparison of Phase 6 and July 2025 Phase 7β watershed loads in main rivers.



Data in parenthesis show RMSD of watershed model loads (Phase 6, July 2025 Phase 7β) as compared to that of immediately downstream tidal monitoring stations.

Embayment	Ammonia	Nitrate	Phosphate	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Sediment
Susquehanna	(0.0432,0.0437)	(0.2875,0.2991)	(0.0089,0.0106)	(0.3310,0.3425)	(0.0280,0.0243)	(11.5428,13.6488)
Patuxent	(0.1483,0.1814)	(0.6331,0.9060)	(0.0455,0.0680)	(0.7464,1.1992)	(0.0866,0.1336)	(35.6555,32.6645)
Potomac	(0.0963,0.0931)	(0.5480,0.5792)	(0.1282,0.1275)	(0.7700,0.5674)	(0.0637,0.1044)	(16.6087,14.0334)
Rappahannock	(0.0334,0.0430)	(0.2594,0.3228)	(0.0178,0.0133)	(0.6914,0.5231)	(0.2182,0.1911)	(104.7578,97.1951)
James	(0.0370,0.0414)	(0.2161,0.1410)	(0.0683,0.0488)	(0.3482,0.3166)	(0.1287,0.1314)	(66.3107,73.1921)
Choptank	(0.0424,0.0491)	(0.7703,0.3458)	(0.0272,0.0211)	(0.6864,0.3682)	(0.0919,0.0719)	(20.3460,8.3691)
Mattaponi	(0.0344,0.0404)	(0.1240,0.1050)	(0.0145,0.0215)	(0.3505,0.2198)	(0.0650,0.0682)	(15.3698,17.6690)
Pamunkey	(0.0298,0.0534)	(0.1702,0.1721)	(0.0209,0.0356)	(0.3722,0.2859)	(0.0548,0.0755)	(47.7405,53.3133)
Appomattox	(0.0343,0.0345)	(0.1621,0.1739)	(0.0076,0.0094)	(0.3941,0.2013)	(0.0292,0.0291)	(15.6633,13.1813)

Table 2: Comparison of Phase 6 and July 2025 Phase 7β watershed loads in small embayments.

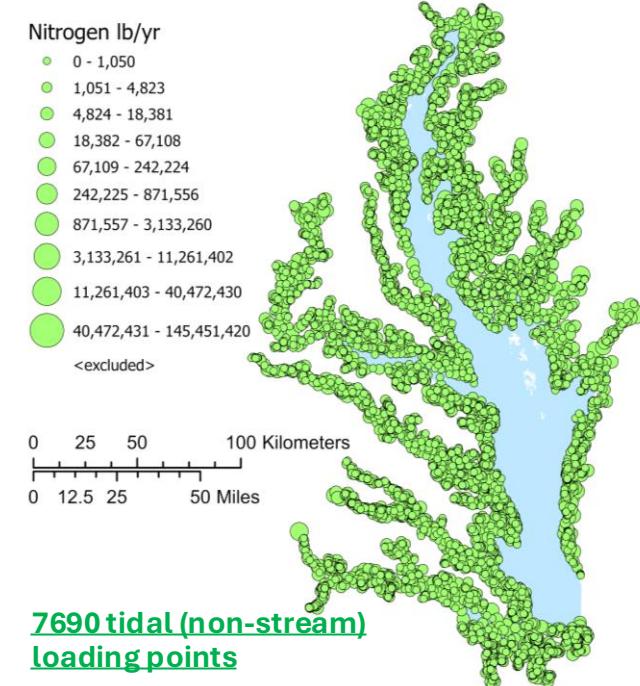
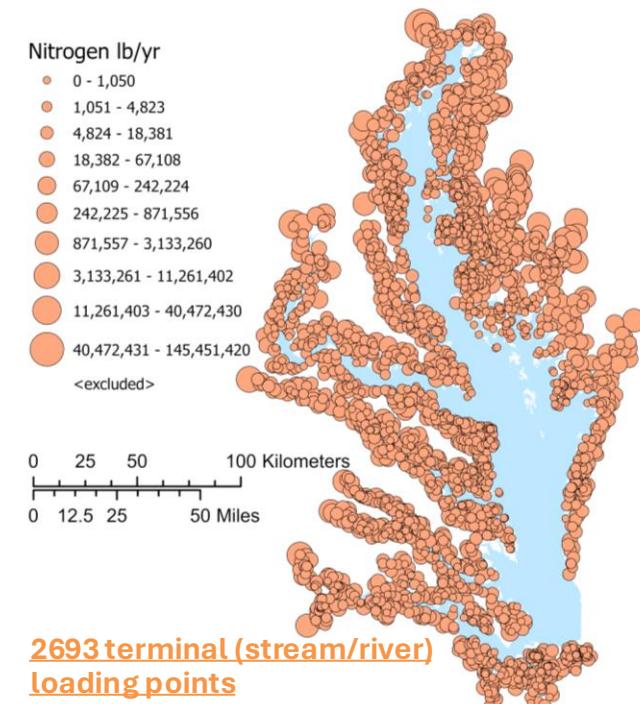


Embayment	river impact	salinity	Ammonia	Nitrate	Phosphate	Nitrogen	Phosphorus	Sediment
Sassafrass R.	99.5%	1.91 (0.1553,0.1320)	(2.1799,2.7223)	(0.0506,0.0273)	(2.1749,2.6860)	(0.1157,0.0598)	(83.4010,40.3539)	
Bush R.	95.9%	0.84 (1.5825,0.8922)	(2.4744,2.3498)	(0.1267,0.1017)	(3.0666,2.5281)	(0.1737,0.1135)	(59.0322,25.8072)	
Gunpowder R.	94.7%	1.63 (0.0774,0.0535)	(1.0177,0.6381)	(0.0122,0.0150)	(0.8905,0.4197)	(0.0471,0.0453)	(41.6804,26.4902)	
South R.	69.1%	9.84 (0.1297,0.0711)	(3.9673,1.2951)	(0.0467,0.0516)	(3.8474,0.8738)	(0.0784,0.0632)	(72.0014,14.3373)	
Piscataway R.	100.0%	10.00 (0.3453,0.4396)	(5.3081,3.3781)	(0.0381,0.0428)	(5.3026,3.7361)	(0.0702,0.0882)	(50.1494,24.6814)	
Mattawoman C.	100.0%	10.02 (0.2073,0.0919)	(4.8008,1.5988)	(0.4483,0.0977)	(5.5305,1.3970)	(0.7417,0.1345)	(57.9953,10.7982)	
Corrotoman R.	56.6%	14.53 (0.1101,0.0547)	(1.8100,0.7305)	(0.0223,0.0449)	(1.8435,0.5219)	(0.0785,0.0436)	(61.3329,7.3679)	
Chickahominy R.	99.7%	1.18 (0.9466,0.0659)	(5.4596,0.1568)	(0.0683,0.0253)	(7.2374,0.4886)	(0.1628,0.0443)	(59.5836,26.0285)	
Nanticoke R.	99.8%	0.19 (0.1803,0.0979)	(2.9407,1.4710)	(0.0436,0.0627)	(2.8671,1.2843)	(0.0962,0.0784)	(35.9075,26.7130)	
Manokin R.	49.0%	13.87 (1.1536,0.0830)	(3.7258,1.8581)	(0.0762,0.1620)	(4.8577,1.6766)	(0.1603,0.1807)	(43.1494,19.3087)	
Big Annemessix R.	47.8%	15.41 (10.0068,0.1772)	(17.8570,2.3882)	(0.4463,0.1897)	(25.9882,2.5141)	(0.8129,0.2241)	(85.0987,11.0865)	
Patapsco R.	80.8%	10.42 (3.5302,3.5692)	(2.9920,2.3088)	(0.2444,0.2232)	(6.6460,5.7518)	(0.3410,0.3106)	(55.0892,19.4416)	
Anacostia R.	100.0%	50.17 (0.2177,0.3556)	(2.7501,0.3999)	(0.0824,0.0492)	(1.7004,1.2848)	(0.0571,0.0730)	(95.3317,88.8498)	
Elizabeth S.	46.9%	19.08 (1.8986,1.0394)	(4.3389,1.9357)	(0.8990,0.9572)	(7.6235,3.0640)	(1.2829,1.3484)	(14.6792,12.2521)	
Chester R.	99.3%	0.49 (0.1221,0.0948)	(1.0766,2.3536)	(0.0301,0.0593)	(0.9874,1.8124)	(0.1563,0.1032)	(87.0498,73.3785)	
Pocomock R.	100.0%	0.20 (0.2716,0.0690)	(0.7283,1.1817)	(0.0953,0.0947)	(1.1926,1.0027)	(0.1445,0.1363)	(30.9019,14.6002)	

P7 CAST land uses in DWSM

many thanks to Jess, Sarah, and Peter!

- We are working on the incorporation of P7 CAST land use data in the P7 DWSM
 - Pre-BMP land use data for 1985-2024 is replacing the static 2013 P6 data.
 - Land use input is produced at 100K NHD+ catchment and land segment scale.
 - We developed a land use data workflow between P7 CAST and DWSM.
 - DWSM model code and configurations were revised for the new set of P7 land uses.
- We aggregated 51 P7 CAST land uses into 16 core land use types and feed-space
 - Aggregation into 17 land use types provides a computationally efficient model simulation as compared to that with 51 land uses – while maintaining the accuracy of loads at the catchment scale.



Proposed aggregation of P7 CAST land uses in DWSM

1. Impervious Roads

MS4 Roads
CSS Roads
Non-Regulated Roads

2. Impervious Non-Roads

MS4 Buildings and Other
CSS Buildings and Other
Non-Regulated Buildings and Other

3. Tree Canopy over Impervious

MS4 Tree Canopy over Impervious
CSS Tree Canopy over Impervious
Non-Regulated Tree Canopy over Impervious

4. Turfgrass

MS4 Turf Grass
CSS Turf Grass
Non-Regulated Turf Grass

5. Tree Canopy Over Turfgrass

MS4 Tree Canopy over Turf Grass
CSS Tree Canopy over Turf Grass
Non-Regulated Tree Canopy over Turf Grass

6. Solar Infrastructure

MS4 Solar Infrastructure
CSS Solar Infrastructure
Non-Regulated Solar Infrastructure

7. Solar Pervious

MS4 Solar Pervious
CSS Solar Pervious
Non-Regulated Solar Pervious

8. Compacted Pervious

MS4 Compacted Pervious
CSS Compacted Pervious
Non-Regulated Compacted Pervious

9. Construction

Regulated Construction
CSS Construction

10. Forest

True Forest
CSS Forest

11. Harvested Forest

Harvested Forest
CSS Harvested Forest

12. Floodplain Wetlands

13. Other Wetlands

14. Cropland

Full Season Soybeans
Grain with Manure
Grain without Manure
Silage with Manure
Silage without Manure
Small Grains and Grains
Double Cropped Land
Specialty Crop High
Specialty Crop Low
Other Agronomic Crops

15. Pasture and Hay

Ag Open Space
Leguminous Hay
Hay Low
Pasture Low
Hay High
Pasture High

16. Water

17. Feed Space

Permitted Feeding Space
Non-Permitted Feeding Space

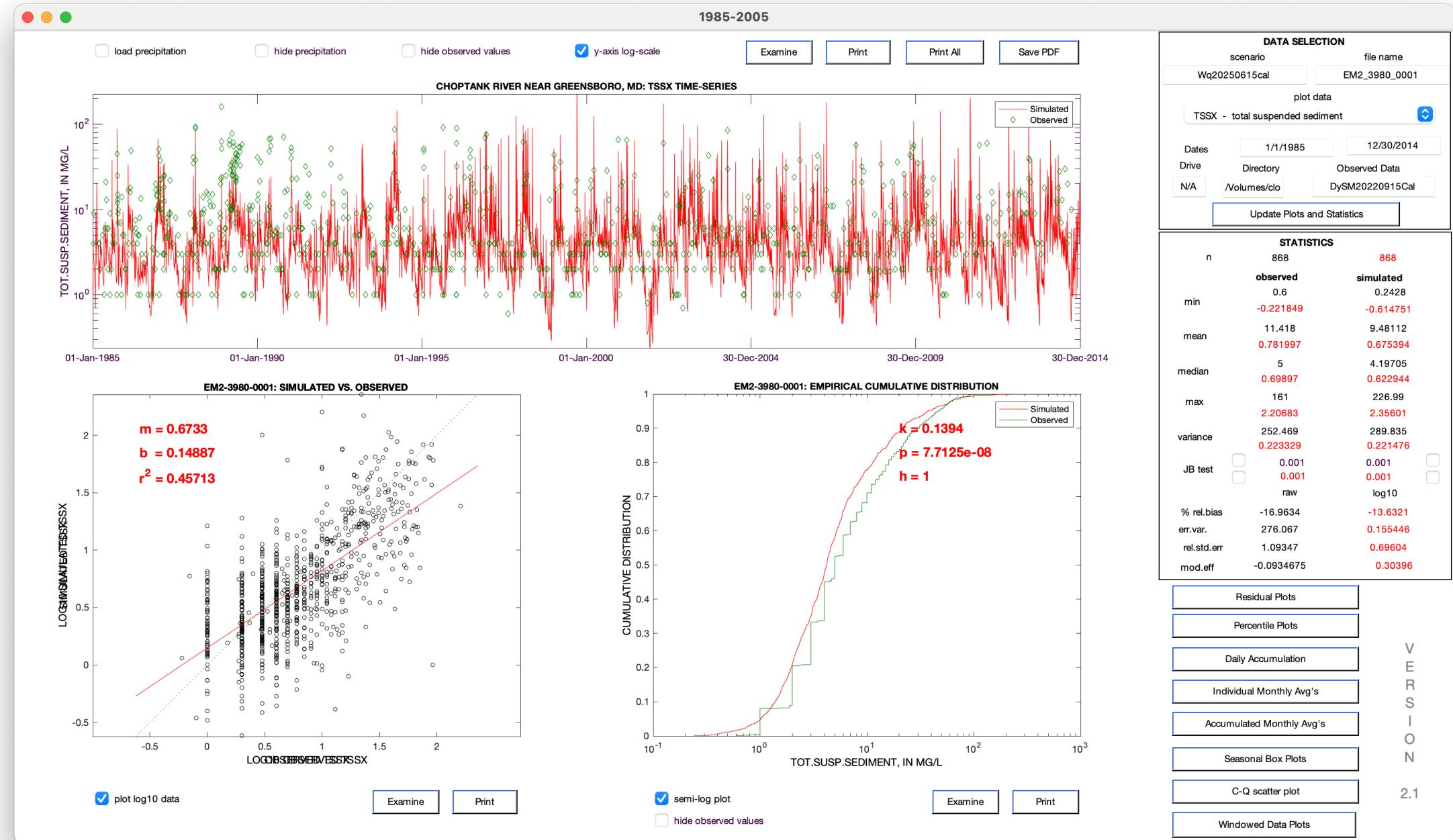
Extending the P7 DWSM simulation period to 2024

... in collaboration with Robert Burgholzer and Connor Brogan (VA DEQ)

- We are using PRISM precipitation that is disaggregated to hourly time steps based on NLDAS2.
- Meteorological data (i.e., air temperature, potential evapotranspiration, wind speed, solar radiation, dew point temperature, and cloud cover) are based on NLDAS2.
- We adapted our workflow to the transition of NLDAS2 data from GRIB file format to NetCDF.
- We performed extensive QA QC.
- We added P7 atmospheric N-deposition data.

Monitoring and WRTDS-K data for calibration & verification

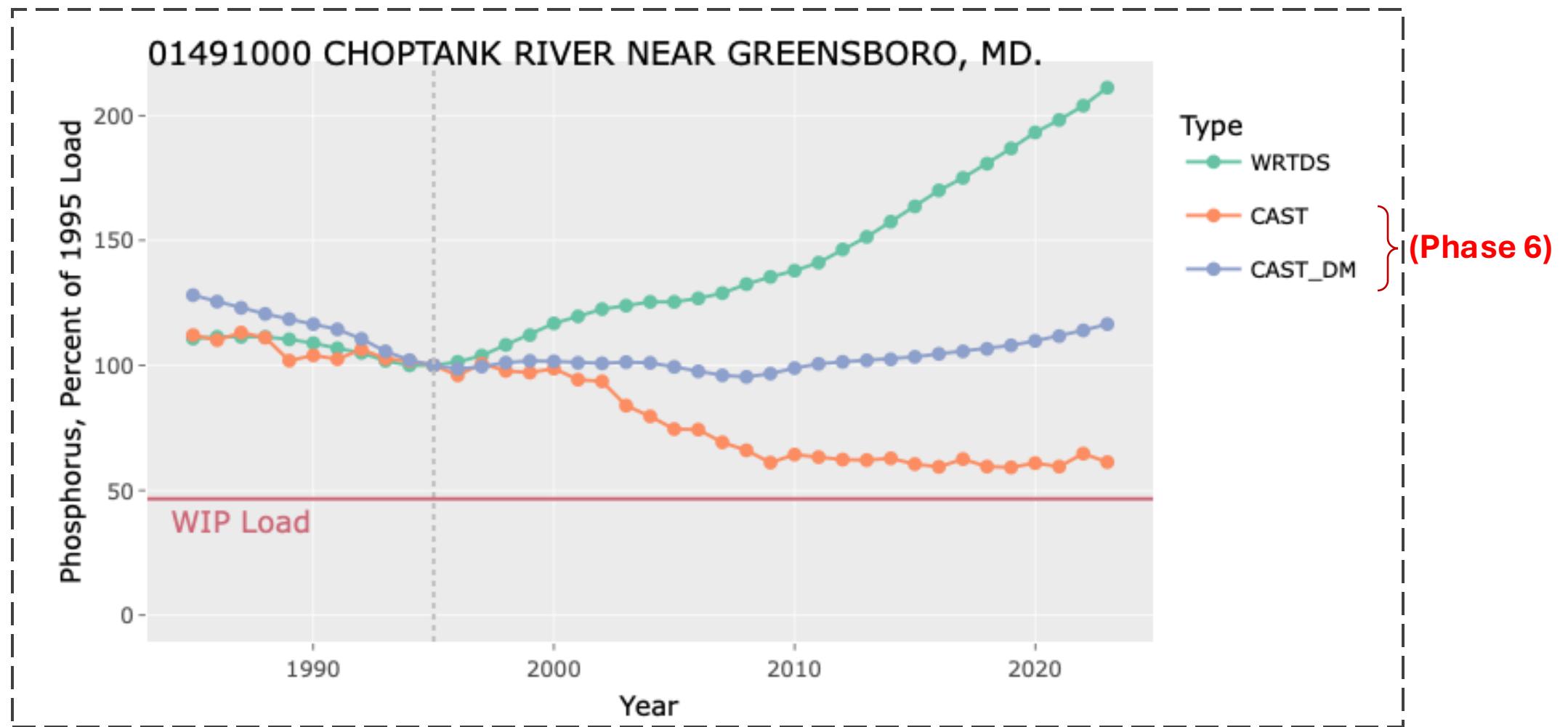
- FluxMaster data for nitrogen, phosphorus, and sediment at 216, 196, and 146 monitoring stations, respectively, are used in the estimation β_2 , β_3 , and β_4 GSN routing parameters.
- We are currently calibrating the riverine water quality simulation to both concentrations data and WRTDS loads for the monitoring stations located on river mainstems.
- We have processed the WRTDS-K loads data for calibrating the DWSM, and we are assessing its use in further fine-tuning of GSN routing as well.
- We need to work on processing and incorporation of concentrations data beyond 2014 for (a) riverine water quality calibration, and (b) verification in small streams.



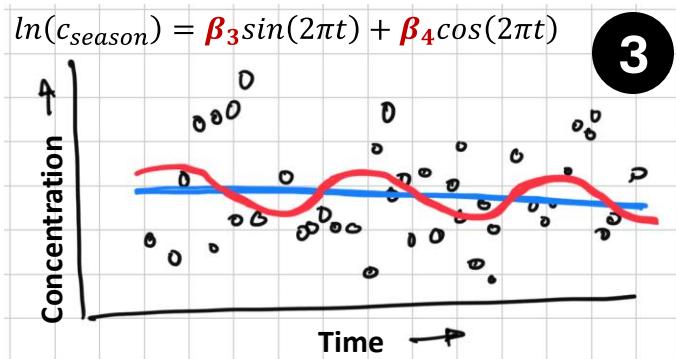
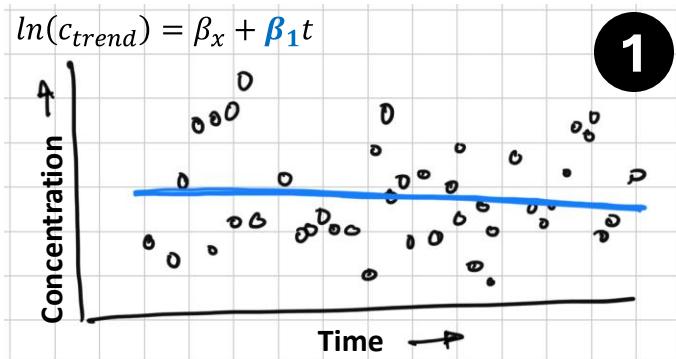
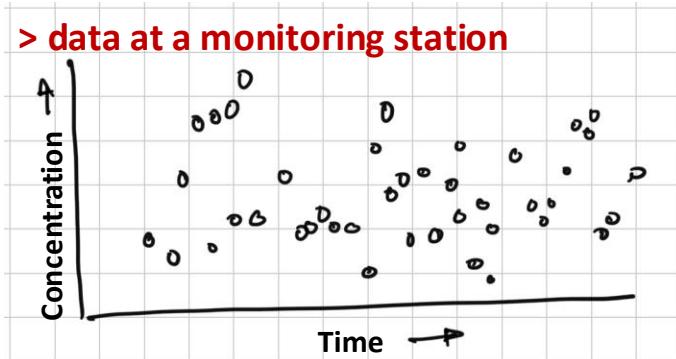
Adding a trend component to generalized stream network routing

Monitored and Expected Total Reduction Indicator for the Chesapeake (METRIC)
<https://metric.chesapeakebay.net/metric/>

>> for comparing the monitored load trend and CAST-estimated load trend



Adding a trend component to generalized stream network routing



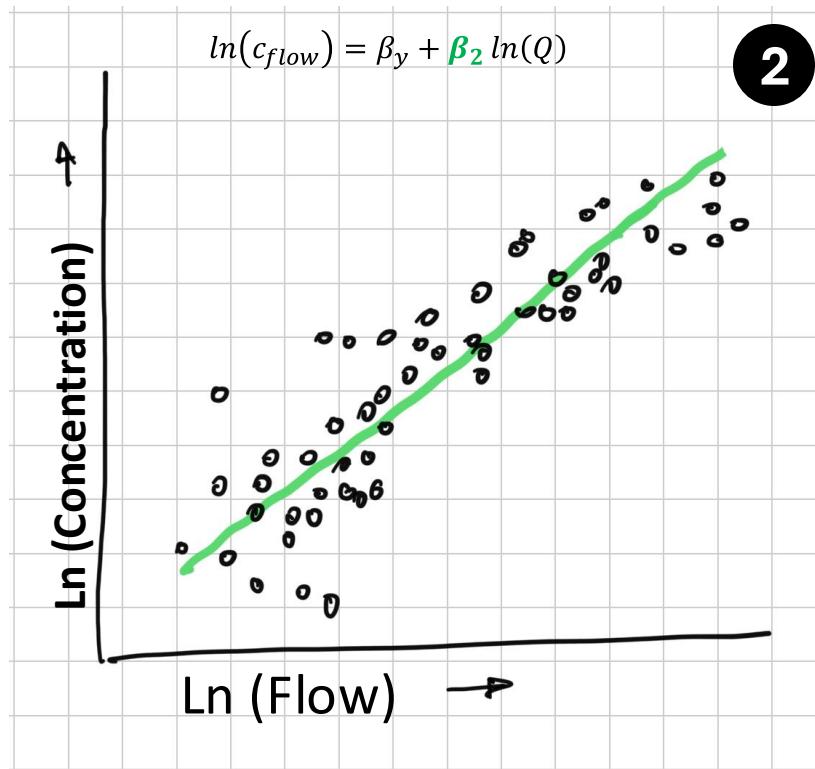
$$\ln(c) = \beta_0 + \underline{\beta_1 t} + \underline{\beta_2 \ln(Q)} + \underline{\beta_3 \sin(2\pi t)} + \underline{\beta_4 \cos(2\pi t)} + \varepsilon$$

[FluxMaster]

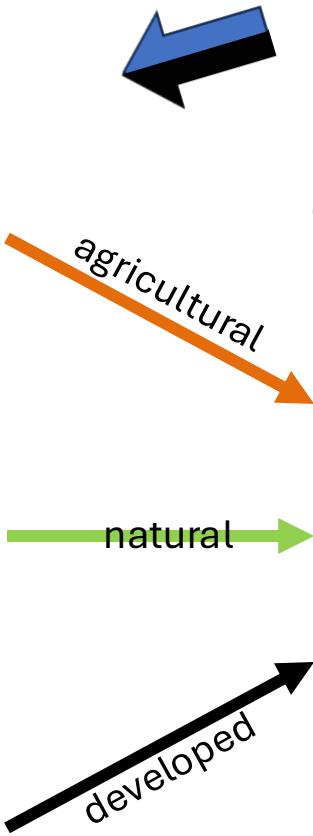
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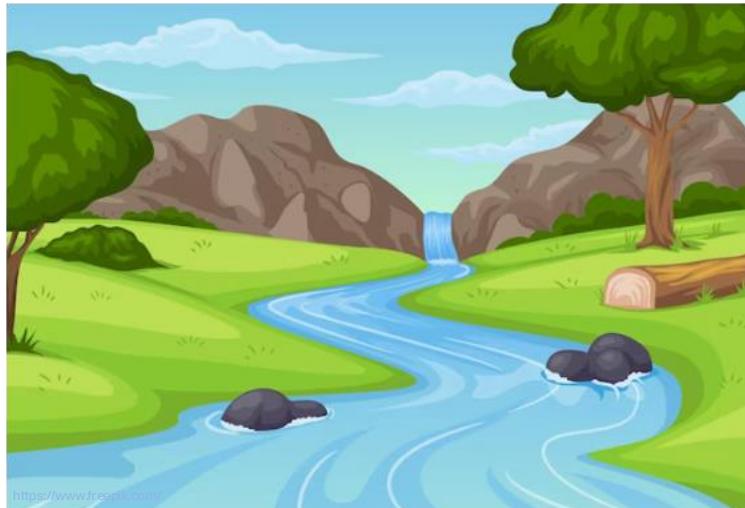


Adding a trend component to generalized stream network routing



HSPF model: hourly surface and groundwater hydrology of land uses

UNEC model: annual surface and groundwater concentrations as a function of input history and estimates of lag-times



Biogeochemical processing,
Storage/deposition, Scour, etc.
→ Fate and Transport

$$\ln(c) = \beta_o + \ln(c_{in,yr} \times STF) + \beta_2 \ln(Q) + \beta_3 \sin(2\pi t) + \beta_4 \cos(2\pi t) + \varepsilon$$

where, $c_{in,yr}$ vary annually, and STF , stream transport factor is estimated in CalCAST

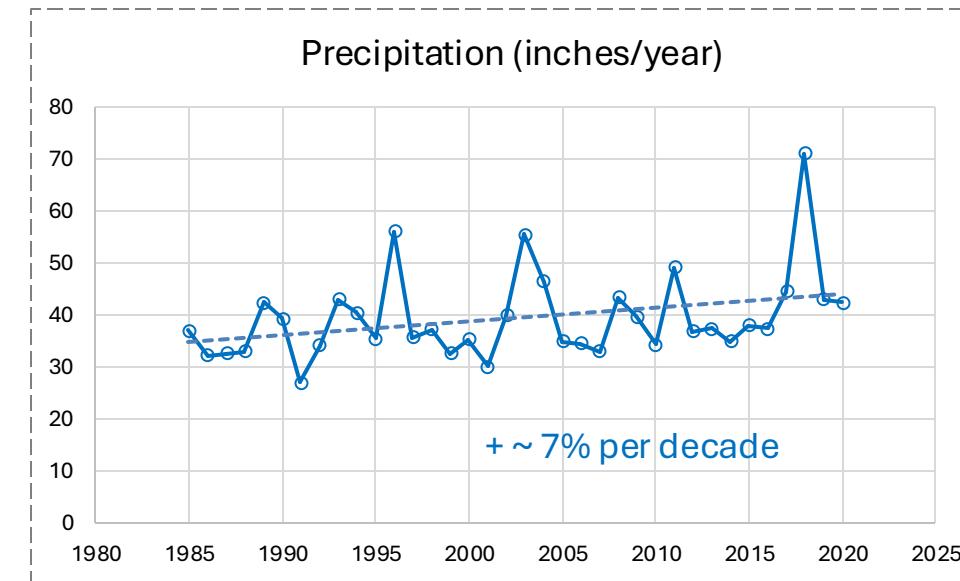
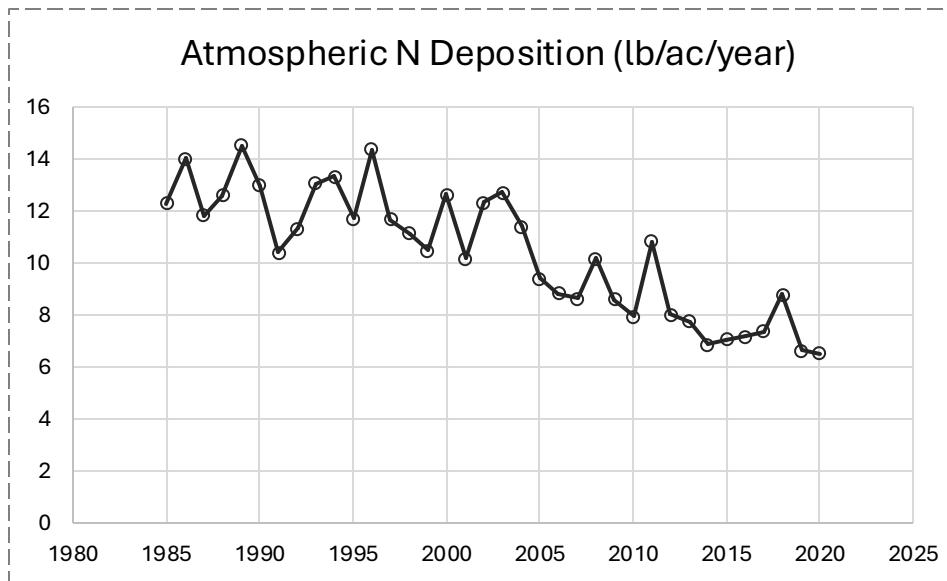
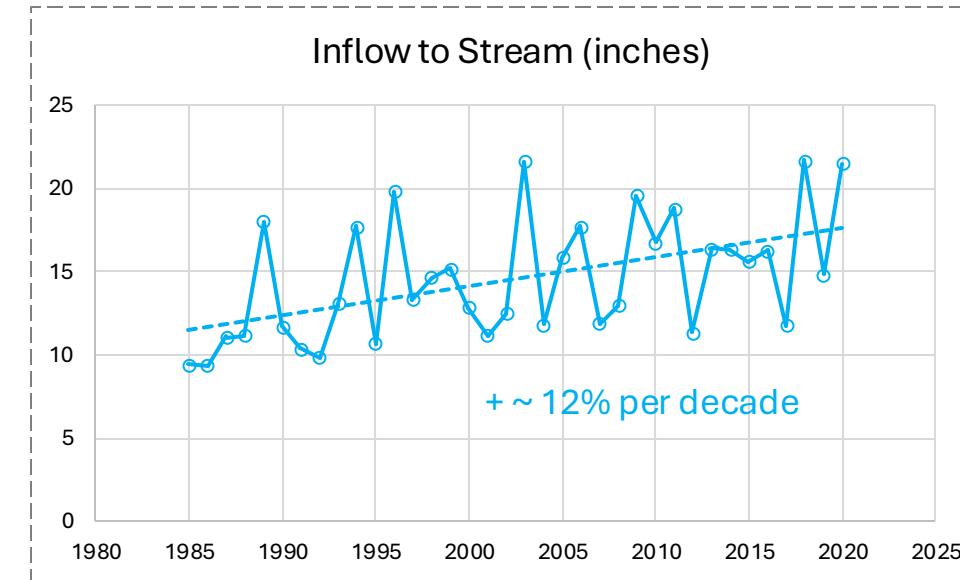
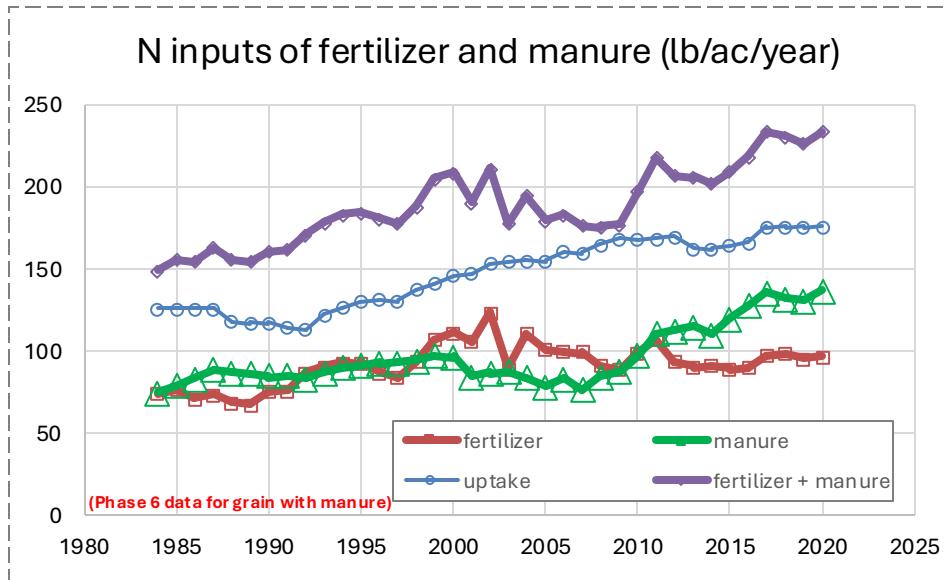
We are testing approaches for best representing the trend component in the GSN routing.

Trend component is linked to trend in inputs to a stream segment (i.e., loads from both EOS and upstream).

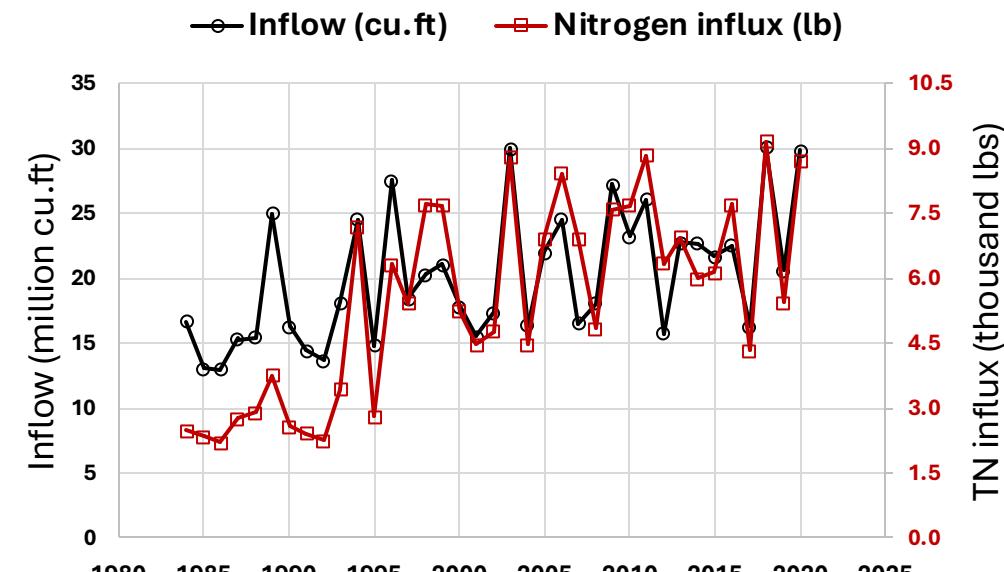
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(0.6 sq. miles)

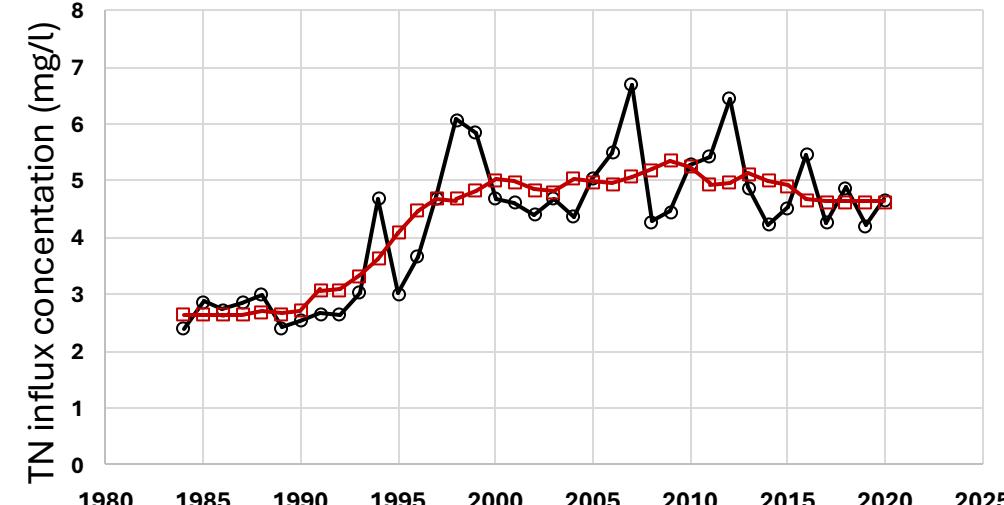
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Dynamic Hydrology

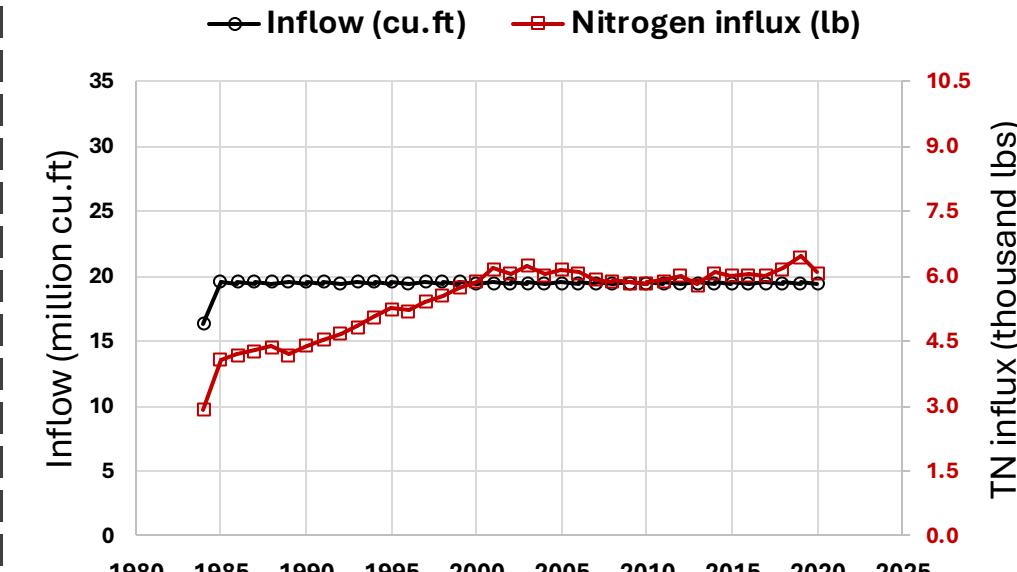


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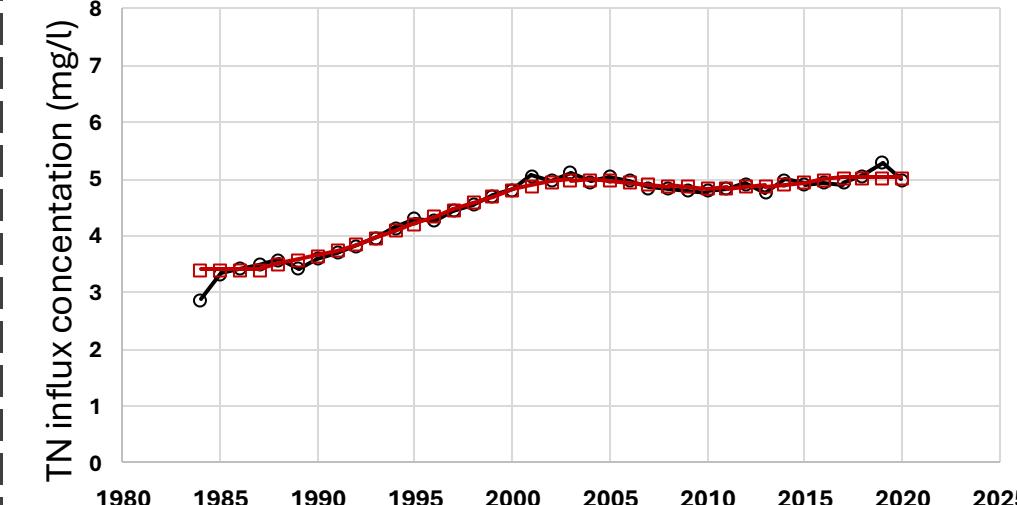


Trend is an integration of history of inputs, sensitivities, lags, climate/hydrology, BMPs, and land use change ...

~ steady-state Hydrology



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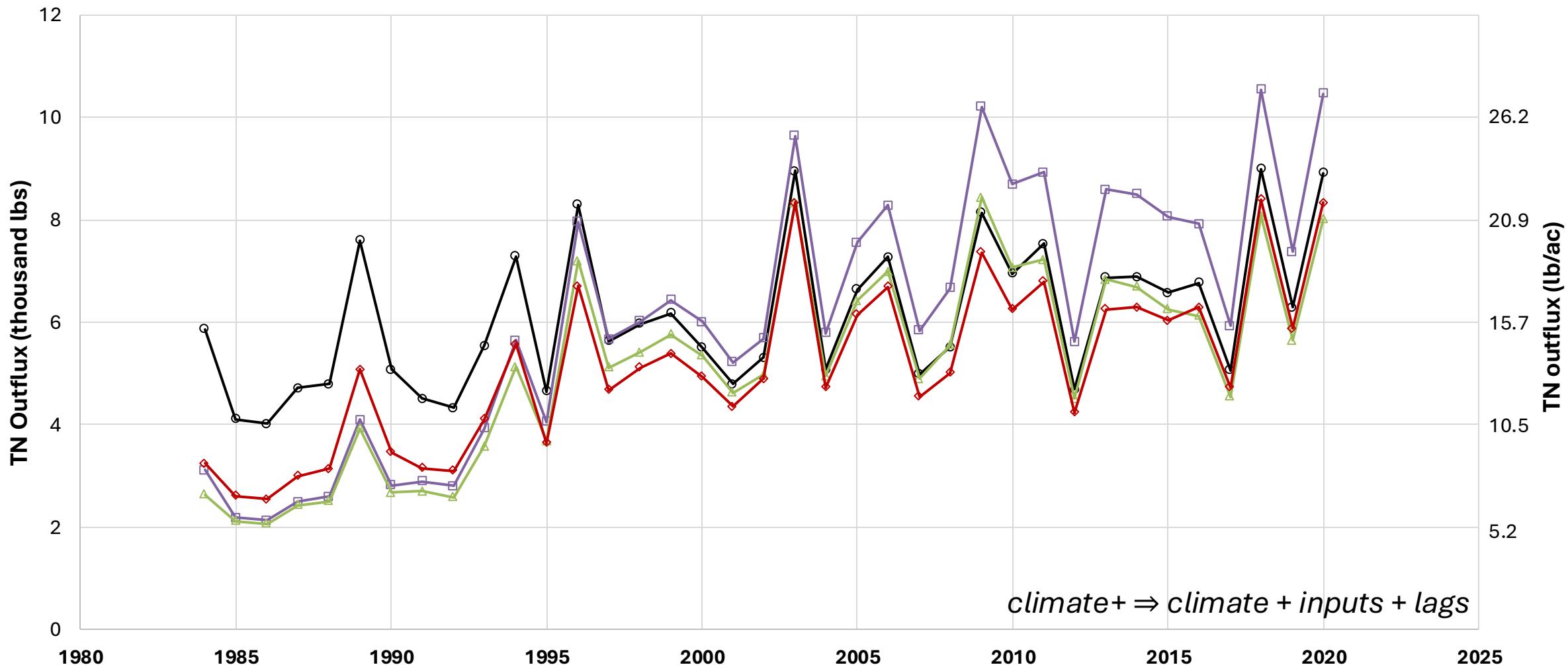
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(0.6 sq. miles)

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TN export simulated using GSN

—○— GSN without trend —□— GSN with climate+ trend —△— GSN with climate+ & BMPs trend —◆— GSN without climate



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RIM stations: Phase 7 Nitrogen loads vs. WRTDS

(a) biases in 1985-2014 average loads as compared to WRTDS; (b) NSE of annual loads in parentheses;

Rivers	Phase 6	July 2025	October 2025	^GSN trend	P7 pre-BMP LU
Susquehanna Marietta PA	+00.9% (+0.694)	+01.1% (+0.776)	+01.8% (+0.489)	+02.1% (+0.701)	+03.1% (+0.699)
Potomac Washington, DC	-03.1% (+0.797)	-01.6% (+0.817)	+00.2% (+0.693)	+00.8% (+0.678)	+**.*% (+*.***)
James Cartersville, VA	+00.2% (+0.731)	-01.2% (+0.902)	+00.9% (+0.241)	+00.4% (+0.510)	+00.8% (+0.714)
Patuxent Bowie, MD	+04.1% (+0.721)	-04.0% (+0.300)	+00.1% (+0.619)	+01.0% (+0.678)	+01.1% (+0.528)
Choptank Greensboro, MD	-04.7% (+0.565)	-04.4% (+0.722)	-04.2% (+0.660)	-04.5% (+0.704)	-03.0% (+0.690)

Summary

1. Major elements of the DWSM are now in place.
2. We will investigate what went wrong in our latest run with P7 pre-BMP land use.
3. We will continue making further updates and refinements as P7 inputs become available (including monitoring data updates).

RIM stations: Phase 7 Nitrogen loads vs. WRTDS

(a) biases in 1985-2014 average loads as compared to WRTDS; (b) NSE of annual loads in parentheses;

Rivers	Phase 6	July 2025	October 2025	^GSN trend	P7 pre-BMP LU
Susquehanna Conowingo MD	-05.0% (+0.836)	-01.1% (+0.723)	-02.5% (+0.548)	-00.6% (+0.673)	+00.1% (+0.658)
Susquehanna Marietta PA	+00.9% (+0.694)	+01.1% (+0.776)	+01.8% (+0.489)	+02.1% (+0.701)	+03.1% (+0.699)
Potomac Washington, DC	-03.1% (+0.797)	-01.6% (+0.817)	+00.2% (+0.693)	+00.8% (+0.678)	+**.*% (+*.****)
James Cartersville, VA	+00.2% (+0.731)	-01.2% (+0.902)	+00.9% (+0.241)	+00.4% (+0.510)	+00.8% (+0.714)
Rappa. Fredericksburg, VA	+01.1% (+0.595)	-05.8% (+0.854)	-06.4% (+0.813)	-04.6% (+0.860)	-04.6% (+0.843)
Appomattox Matoaca, VA	+03.2% (+0.285)	-12.0% (+0.755)	-13.2% (+0.663)	-11.9% (+0.737)	-11.3% (+0.735)
Pamunkey Hanover, VA	+03.1% (+0.338)	-07.4% (+0.771)	-06.8% (+0.670)	-06.8% (+0.687)	+**.*% (+*.****)
Mattaponi Beulahville, VA	+06.8% (+0.511)	-10.2% (+0.655)	-13.0% (+0.270)	-11.4% (+0.482)	-10.6% (+0.466)
Patuxent Bowie, MD	+04.1% (+0.721)	-04.0% (+0.300)	+00.1% (+0.619)	+01.0% (+0.678)	+01.1% (+0.528)
Choptank Greensboro, MD	-04.7% (+0.565)	-04.4% (+0.722)	-04.2% (+0.660)	-04.5% (+0.704)	-03.0% (+0.690)

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RIM stations: Phase 7 Nitrate loads vs. WRTDS

(a) biases in 1985-2014 average loads as compared to WRTDS; (b) NSE of annual loads in parentheses;

Rivers	Phase 6	July 2025	October 2025	^GSN trend	P7 pre-BMP LU
Susquehanna Conowingo MD	+07.1% (+0.496)	+11.3% (+0.501)	+03.7% (+0.183)	+14.3% (+0.258)	+14.5% (+0.270)
Susquehanna Marietta PA	+03.1% (+0.764)	+07.4% (+0.745)	+10.3% (+0.394)	+08.1% (+0.679)	+07.4% (+0.713)
Potomac Washington, DC	-04.6% (+0.846)	+13.7% (+0.771)	+01.2% (+0.856)	+01.1% (+0.857)	-14.3% (+0.726)
James Cartersville, VA	+09.4% (-0.380)	+36.7% (-0.131)	+02.4% (+0.427)	+07.6% (+0.460)	+13.4% (+0.325)
Rappa. Fredericksburg, VA	+03.2% (+0.524)	+32.8% (-0.002)	+17.1% (+0.385)	+23.7% (+0.297)	+26.9% (+0.105)
Appomattox Matoaca, VA	+10.1% (-0.824)	-07.8% (+0.095)	-21.1% (+0.252)	-25.1% (+0.163)	-06.2% (+0.088)
Pamunkey Hanover, VA	+09.0% (+0.067)	+21.8% (+0.169)	+11.9% (+0.283)	+11.7% (+0.333)	+**.*% (+*.***)
Mattaponi Beulahville, VA	+11.0% (-1.751)	+32.7% (-0.751)	+15.4% (-0.417)	+15.2% (-0.076)	+26.3% (-0.735)
Patuxent Bowie, MD	+00.8% (+0.629)	-03.8% (+0.079)	-07.3% (+0.666)	-02.8% (+0.754)	-11.3% (+0.624)
Choptank Greensboro, MD	-01.9% (+0.437)	+13.6% (+0.637)	+15.0% (+0.487)	+13.5% (+0.604)	+18.1% (+0.440)

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RIM stations: Phase 7 Phosphorus loads vs. WRTDS

(a) biases in 1985-2014 average loads as compared to WRTDS; (b) NSE of annual loads in parentheses;

Rivers	Phase 6	July 2025	October 2025	^GSN trend	P7 pre-BMP LU
Susquehanna Conowingo MD	+02.0% (+0.944)	+02.2% (+0.783)	+02.4% (+0.853)	+03.2% (+0.770)	+03.5% (+0.757)
Susquehanna Marietta PA	+04.2% (+0.858)	+04.4% (+0.840)	+06.0% (+0.641)	+05.1% (+0.861)	+05.5% (+0.882)
Potomac Washington, DC	+01.0% (+0.877)	+06.9% (+0.226)	+06.4% (+0.336)	+08.2% (+0.228)	+**.*% (+*.****)
James Cartersville, VA	-04.7% (+0.558)	+01.9% (+0.850)	+04.1% (+0.481)	+04.2% (+0.608)	+04.5% (+0.710)
Rappa. Fredericksburg, VA	-03.6% (+0.309)	-03.4% (+0.680)	-05.2% (+0.496)	-01.3% (+0.615)	-01.4% (+0.596)
Appomattox Matoaca, VA	-01.5% (+0.678)	-06.2% (+0.739)	-10.2% (+0.039)	-08.6% (+0.658)	-07.1% (+0.615)
Pamunkey Hanover, VA	+00.0% (+0.622)	-02.0% (+0.243)	-00.1% (+0.275)	-00.6% (+0.226)	+**.*% (+*.****)
Mattaponi Beulahville, VA	+01.6% (+0.214)	-07.3% (+0.237)	-11.2% (-0.234)	-08.9% (+0.098)	-09.4% (+0.052)
Patuxent Bowie, MD	+02.5% (+0.688)	-07.0% (-0.015)	-06.0% (-0.058)	-02.7% (+0.189)	-03.5% (+0.064)
Choptank Greensboro, MD	-01.7% (+0.395)	-02.3% (+0.501)	+01.5% (+0.298)	-00.8% (+0.459)	+00.3% (+0.381)

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RIM stations: Phase 7 Sediment loads vs. WRTDS

(a) biases in 1985-2014 average loads as compared to WRTDS; (b) NSE of annual loads in parentheses;

Rivers	Phase 6	July 2025	October 2025	^GSN trend	P7 pre-BMP LU
Susquehanna Conowingo MD	+08.0% (+0.963)	+04.3% (+0.808)	+06.2% (+0.875)	+05.4% (+0.824)	+05.9% (+0.801)
Susquehanna Marietta PA	-00.9% (+0.833)	+07.9% (-0.047)	+11.7% (-0.903)	+08.6% (-0.025)	+09.0% (+0.053)
Potomac Washington, DC	+03.2% (+0.827)	+10.1% (-0.623)	+09.2% (-0.713)	+10.7% (-0.626)	+08.0% (-0.976)
James Cartersville, VA	+01.1% (+0.384)	+08.0% (-2.613)	+02.9% (-0.674)	+05.6% (-0.550)	+06.4% (-0.700)
Rappa. Fredericksburg, VA	+00.1% (-0.356)	-04.1% (+0.474)	-04.9% (+0.329)	-02.9% (+0.461)	-03.1% (+0.442)
Appomattox Matoaca, VA	+13.8% (-0.567)	-06.4% (+0.449)	-12.3% (-0.181)	-09.7% (+0.477)	-03.8% (+0.304)
Pamunkey Hanover, VA	+01.7% (-1.143)	-02.4% (-0.024)	-02.3% (-0.034)	-02.3% (-0.037)	+**.*% (+*.***)
Mattaponi Beulahville, VA	-00.9% (-0.120)	-09.4% (-0.533)	-11.7% (-0.769)	-09.0% (-0.538)	-09.6% (-0.549)
Patuxent Bowie, MD	+10.3% (+0.678)	-11.0% (-0.134)	-14.0% (-0.283)	-09.4% (+0.039)	-06.7% (+0.280)
Choptank Greensboro, MD	+15.9% (+0.424)	+01.5% (-0.805)	+10.0% (-2.118)	+08.0% (-0.852)	+09.3% (-1.127)

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