



SINGLE PLANNING GROUP MEETING #4

November 16, 2016
North Platte, NE

AGENDA

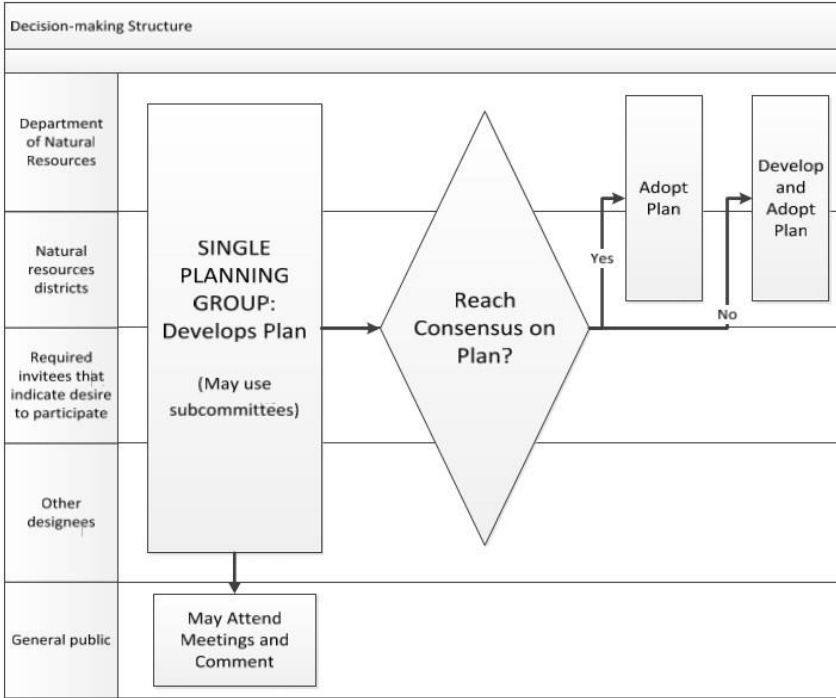
- I. Administration
- II. First Increment Review
- III. Modeling Overviews
- IV. Review and Refinement of First Increment Goals
- V. Next Steps
- VI. Public Comment



I. ADMINISTRATION

REVIEW OF ROLES & RESPONSIBILITIES

Figure 2. Planning structure





II.

FIRST INCREMENT REVIEW

JANUARY SURVEY FOCUS

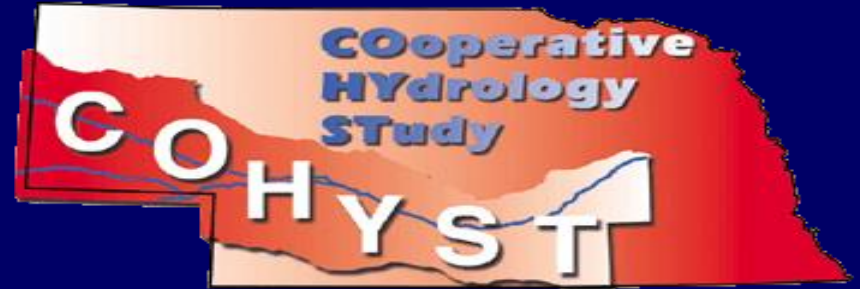
- Does the plan appropriately address the call to maintain the following in the river basin:
 - Economic viability
 - Social and environmental health
 - Safety
 - Welfare
- If no, what additional goals/objectives should be considered by the group?
- What are the metrics of success in each category?



III. MODELING OVERVIEWS

Cooperative Hydrology Study

Single Planning Group
Stakeholders meeting
November 16, 2016
By Duane Woodward
Central Platte NRD

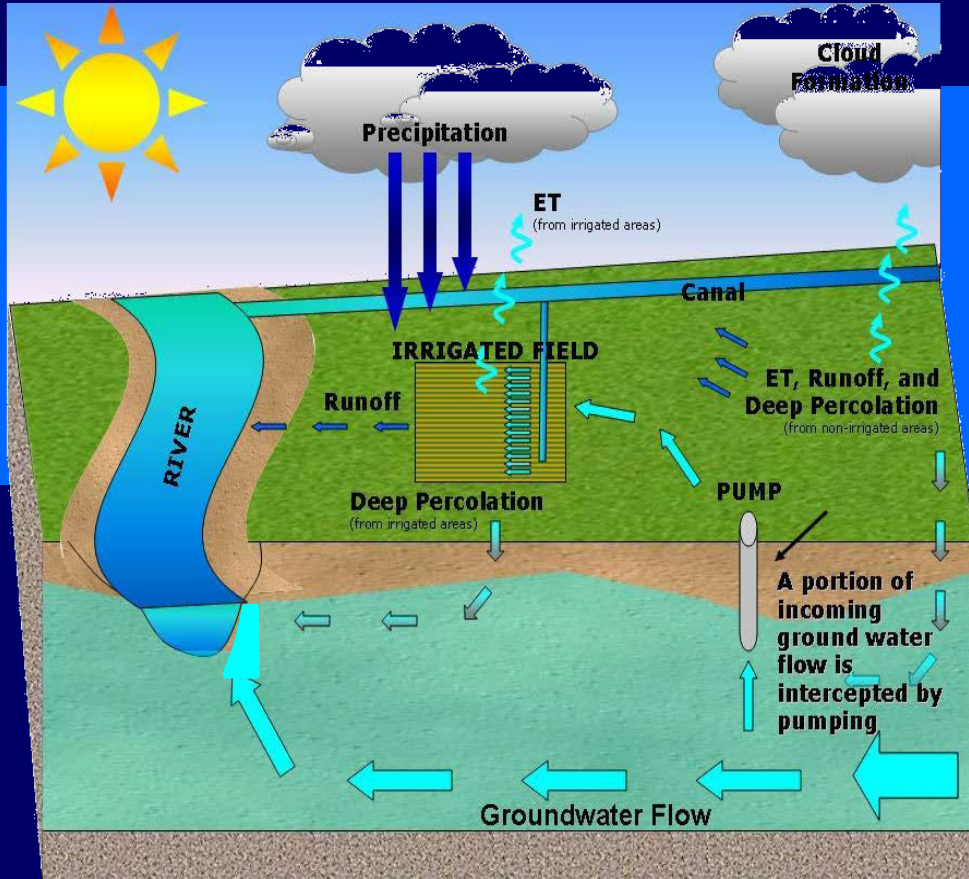


Sponsors for COHYST 2010

- Central Platte NRD
- Tri-Basin NRD
- Twin Platte NRD
- Central Nebraska Public Power & Irrigation District
- Nebraska Public Power District

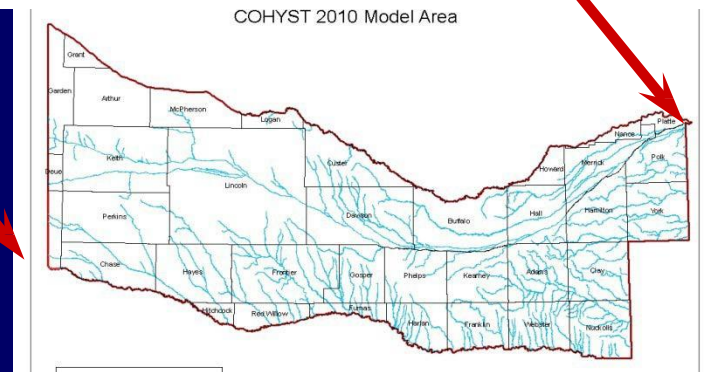
COHYST 2010

A Total Water Budget Approach to Integrated Water Management





Model Area
12,000,000 acres



New Management Objectives

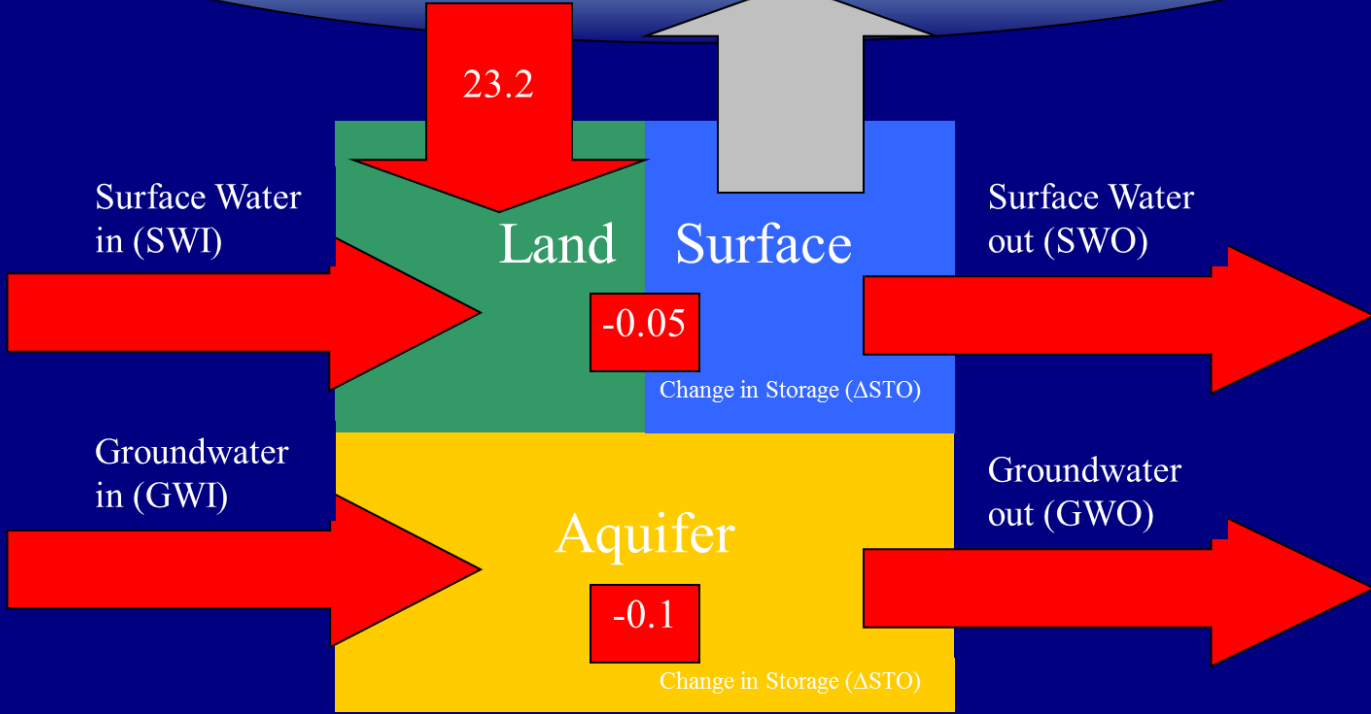
- Model must take into account:
 - Complete water budget
 - Temporal variability
 - Transient flow targets
 - Consumptive use
- Tracking and Accounting
- Incorporate surface water component
- Capable of management alternatives analysis

Phases for COHYST 2010

- Phase I: Water budget
- Phase II: Develop a suite of modeling tools
- Phase III: Apply developed tools

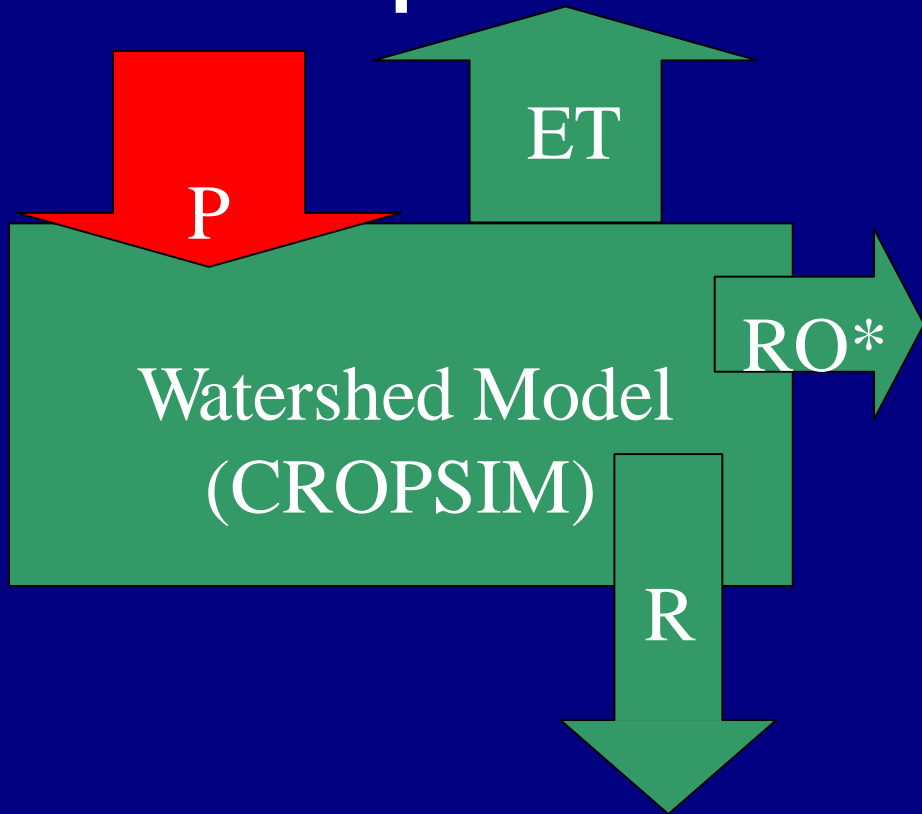
PHASE I Water Budget
Atmosphere

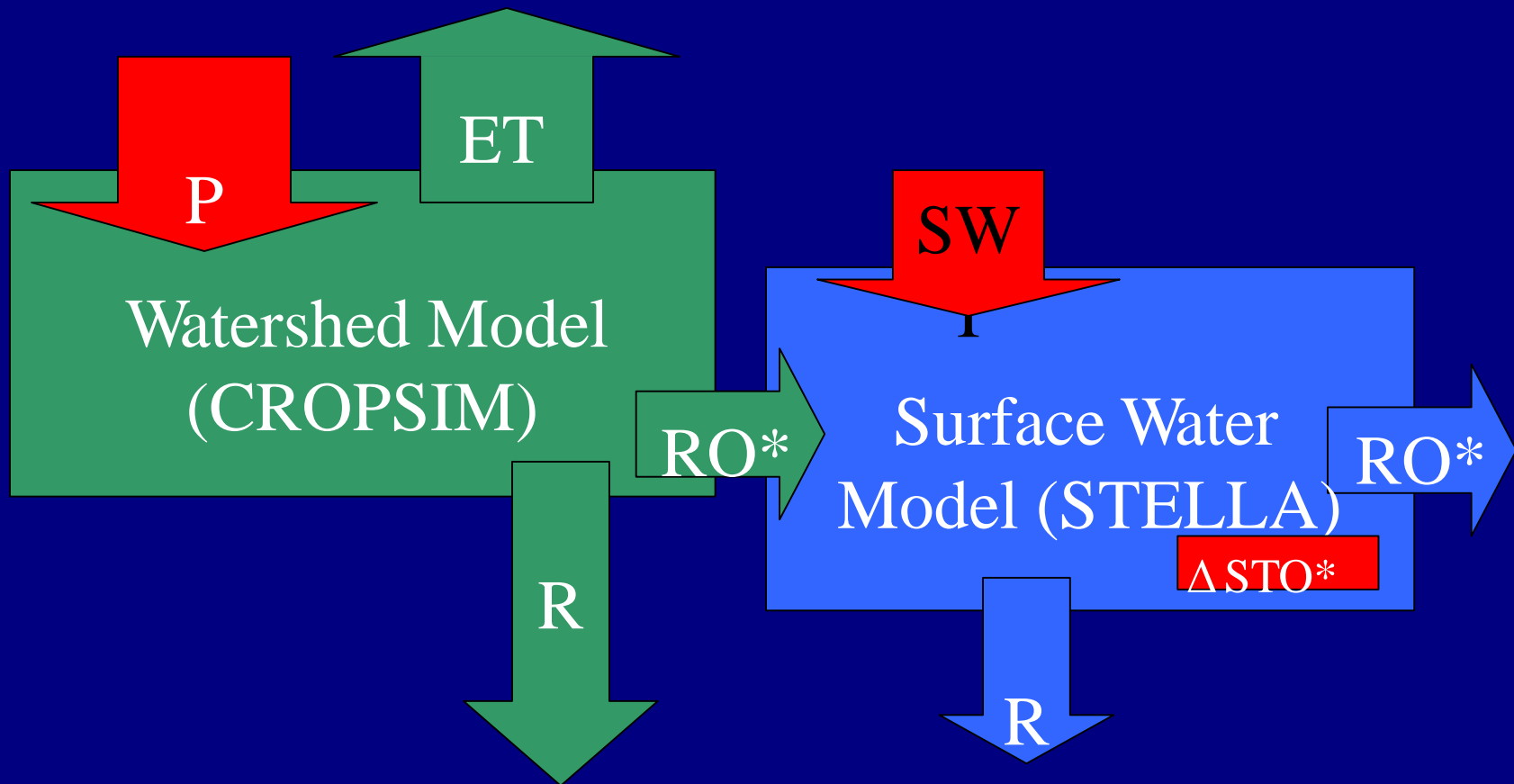
Precipitation (P) Evapotranspiration (ET)

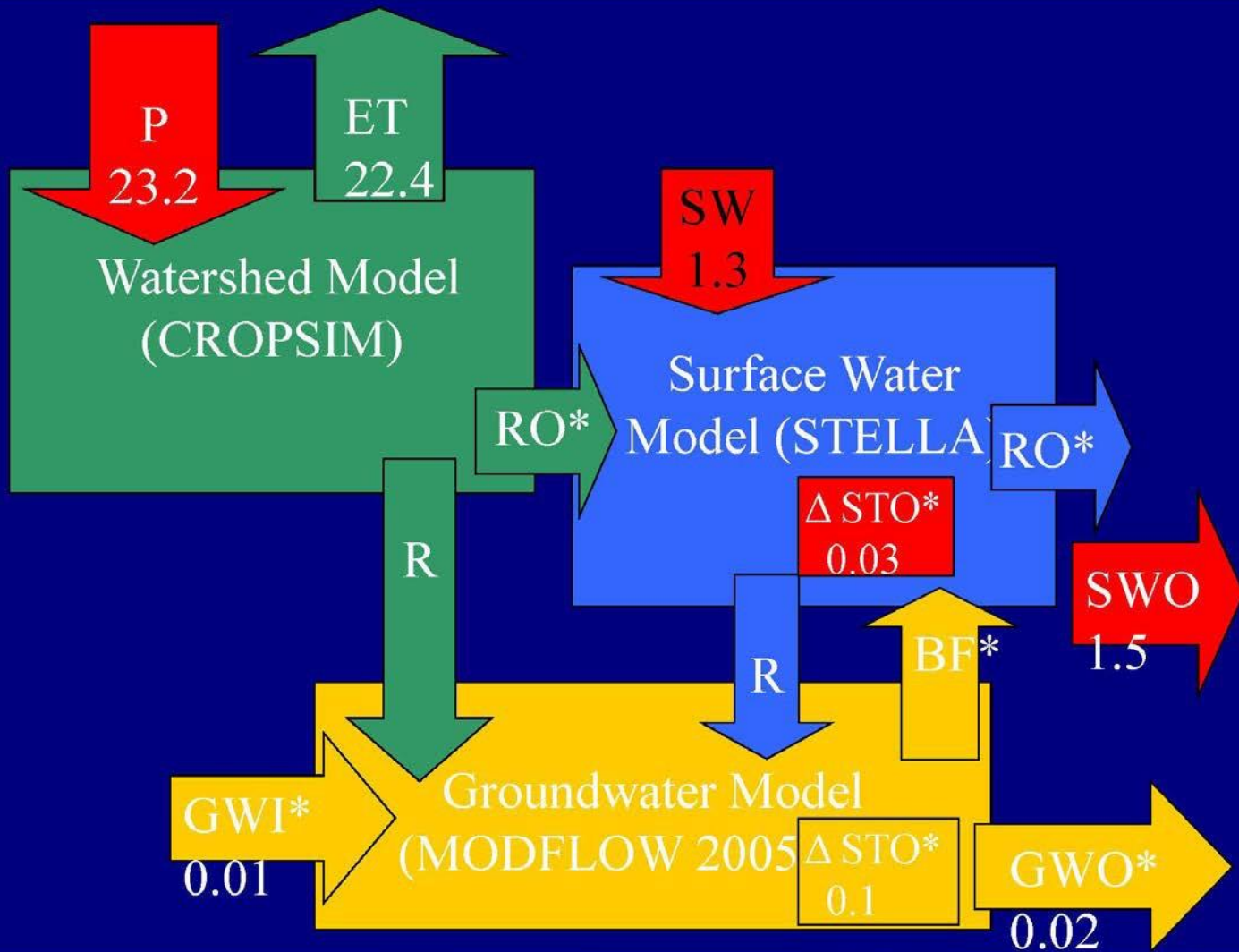


Measured water budget, mean conditions 1985 - 2005. Units = Million acre-feet/year

Develop a suite of tools





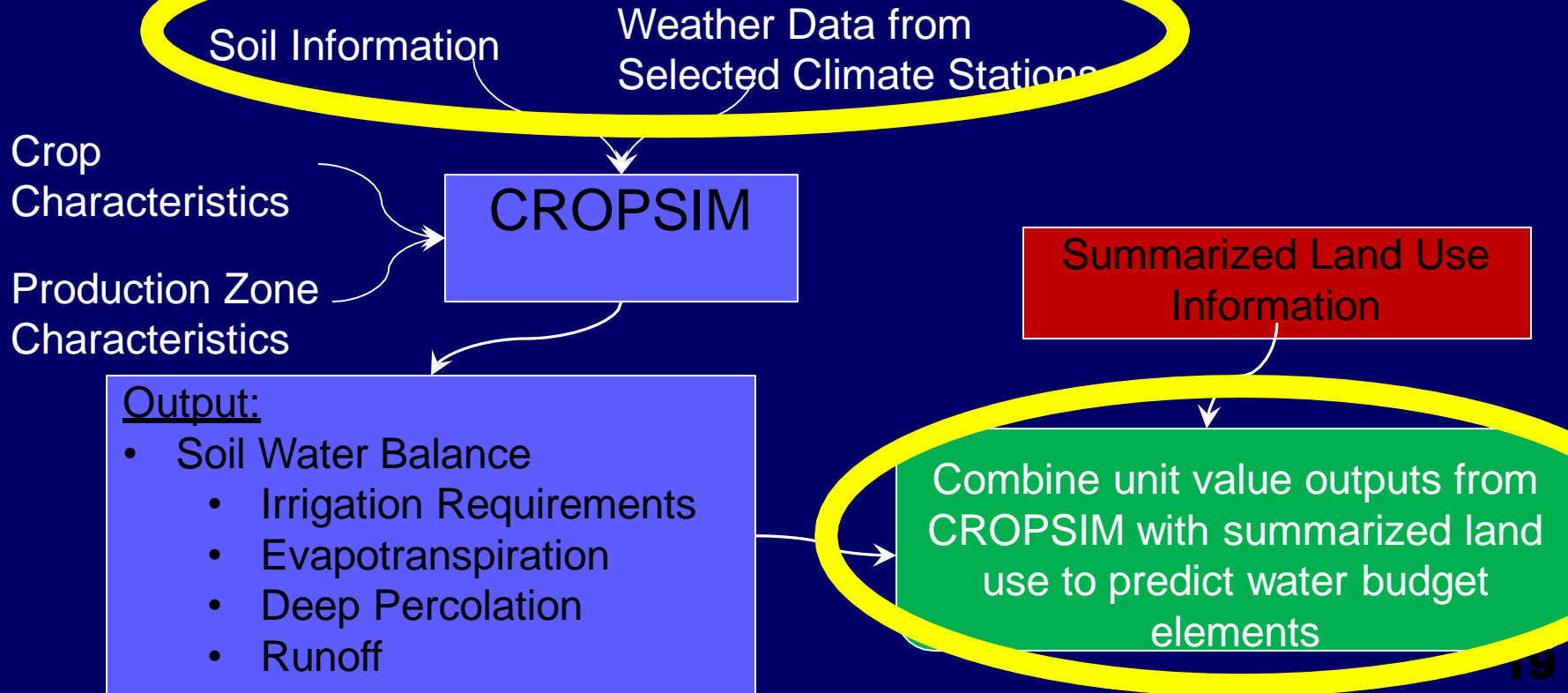


COHYST 2010

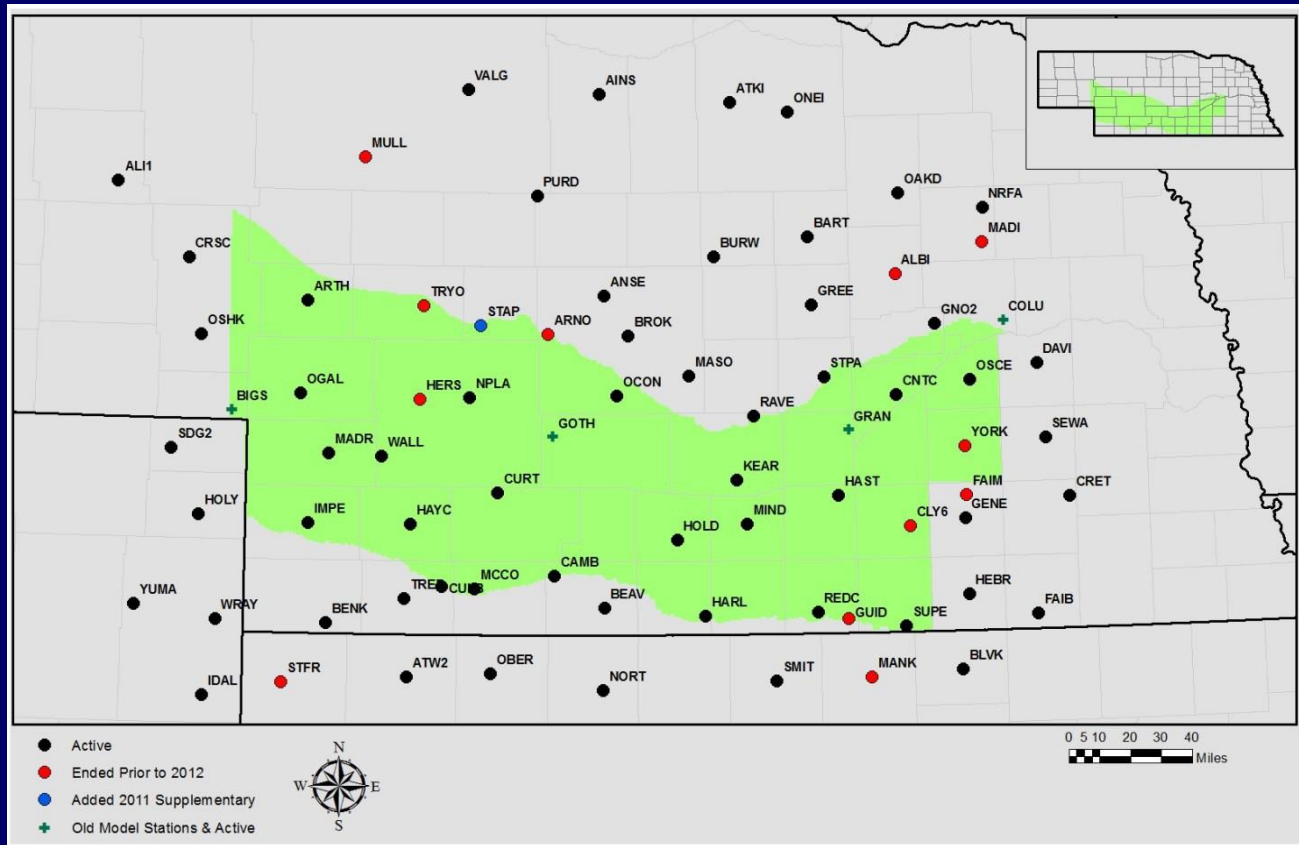
Watershed Field Level Analysis
Inputs, Calibration Variables, and Initial Results



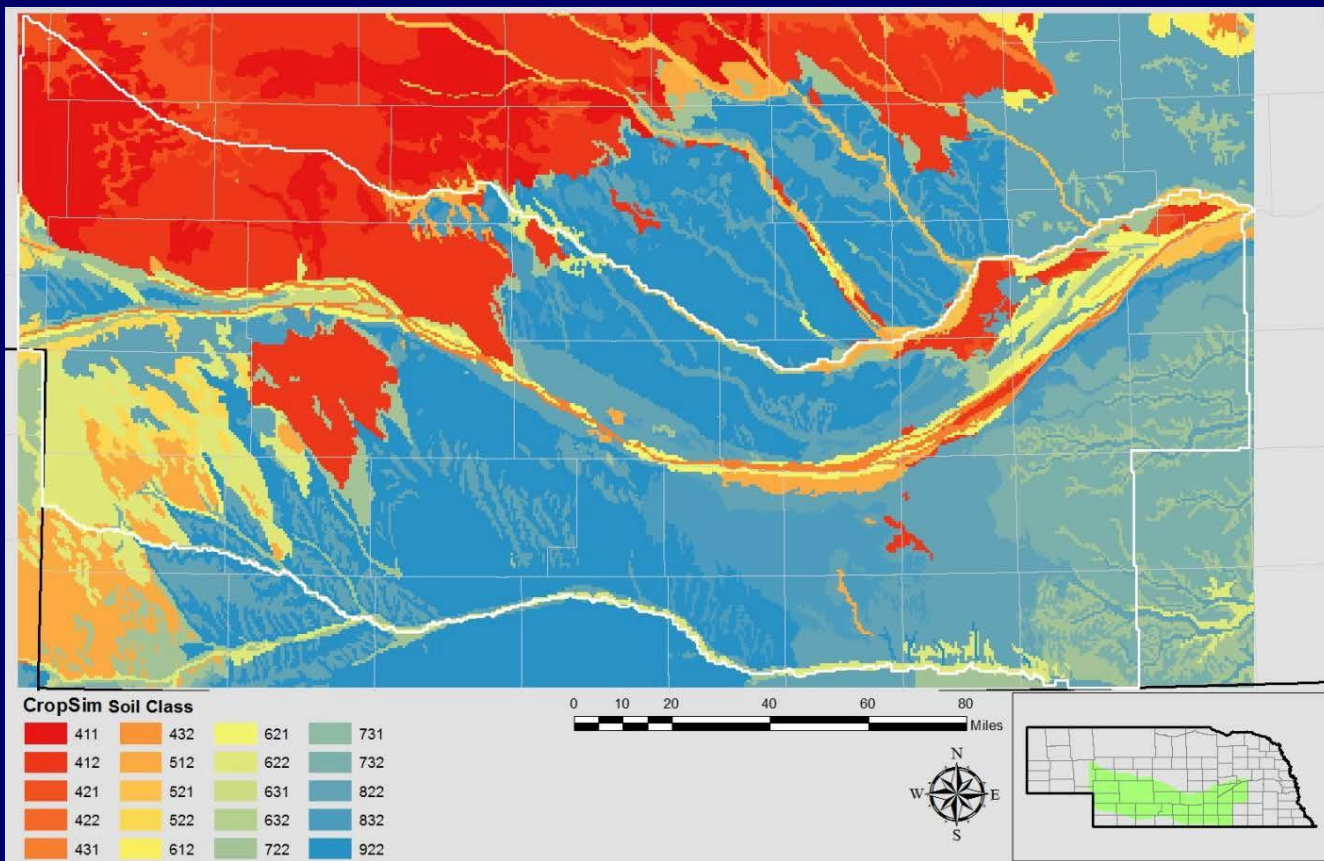
GENERAL APPROACH



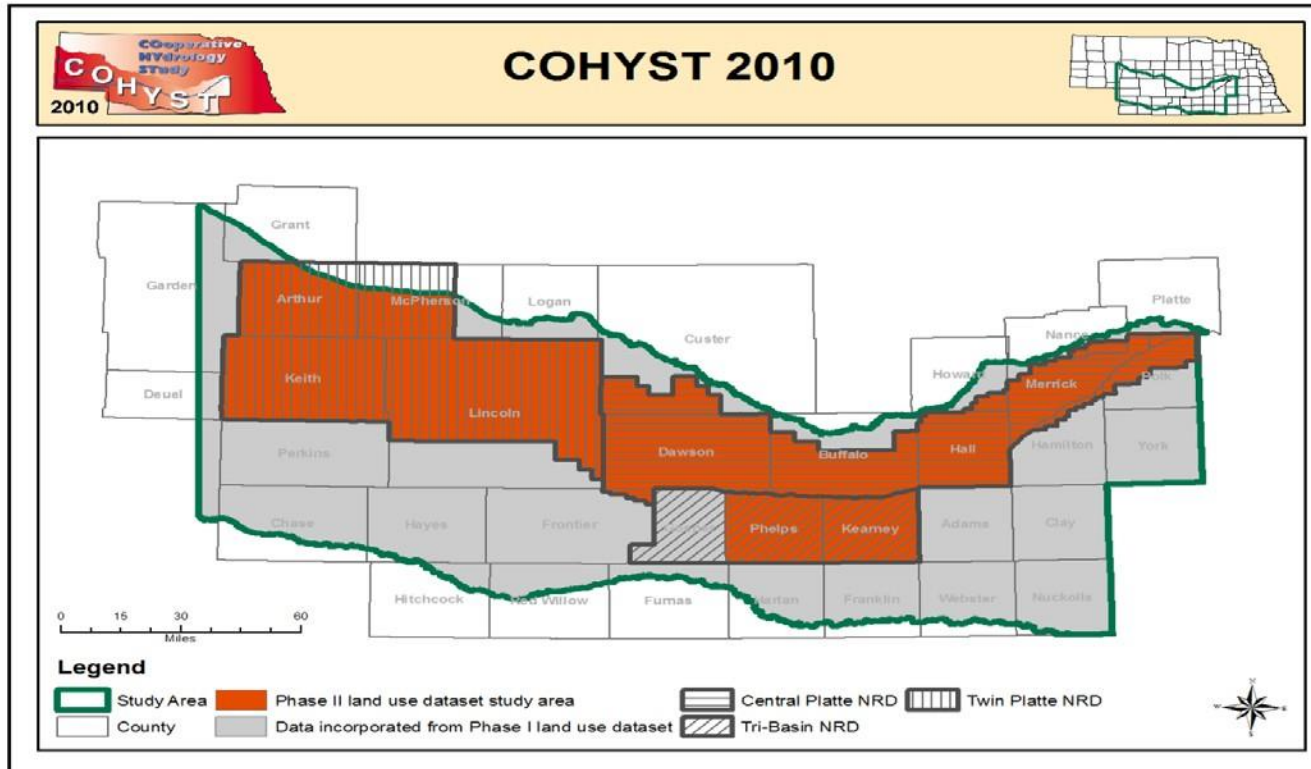
Run024: Weather Stations



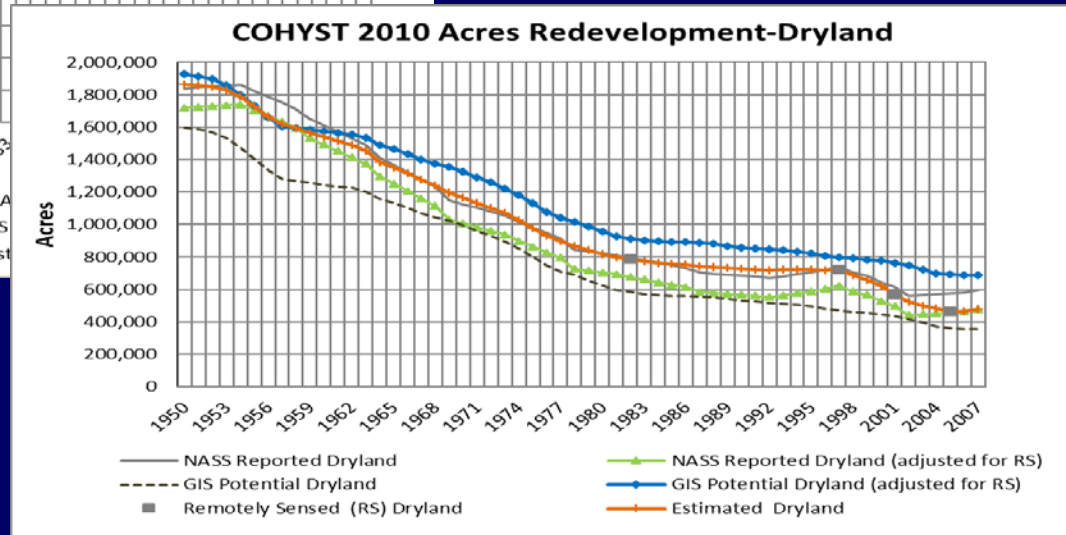
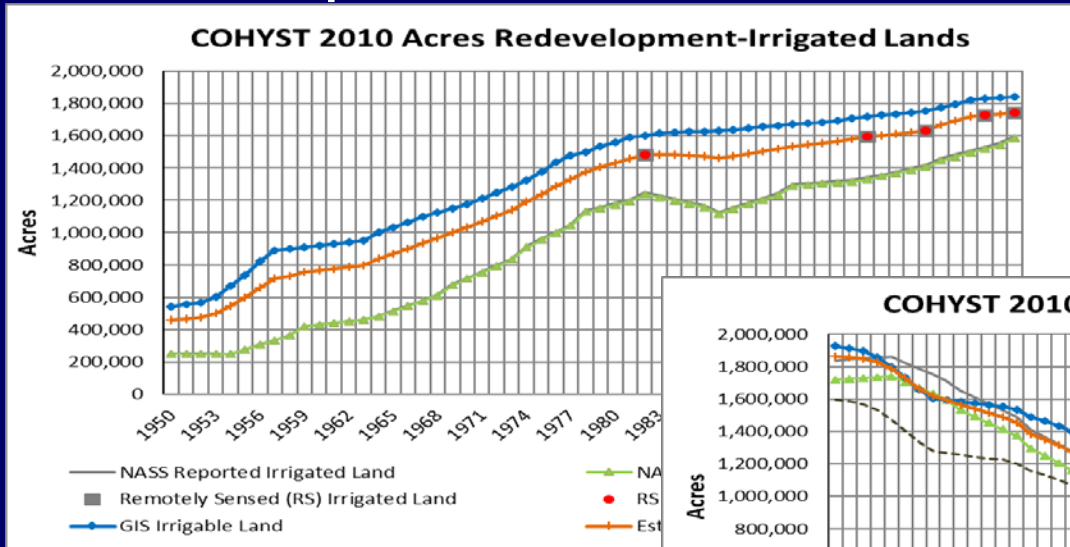
Run024: Model Soils



Redeveloped Land Use Data

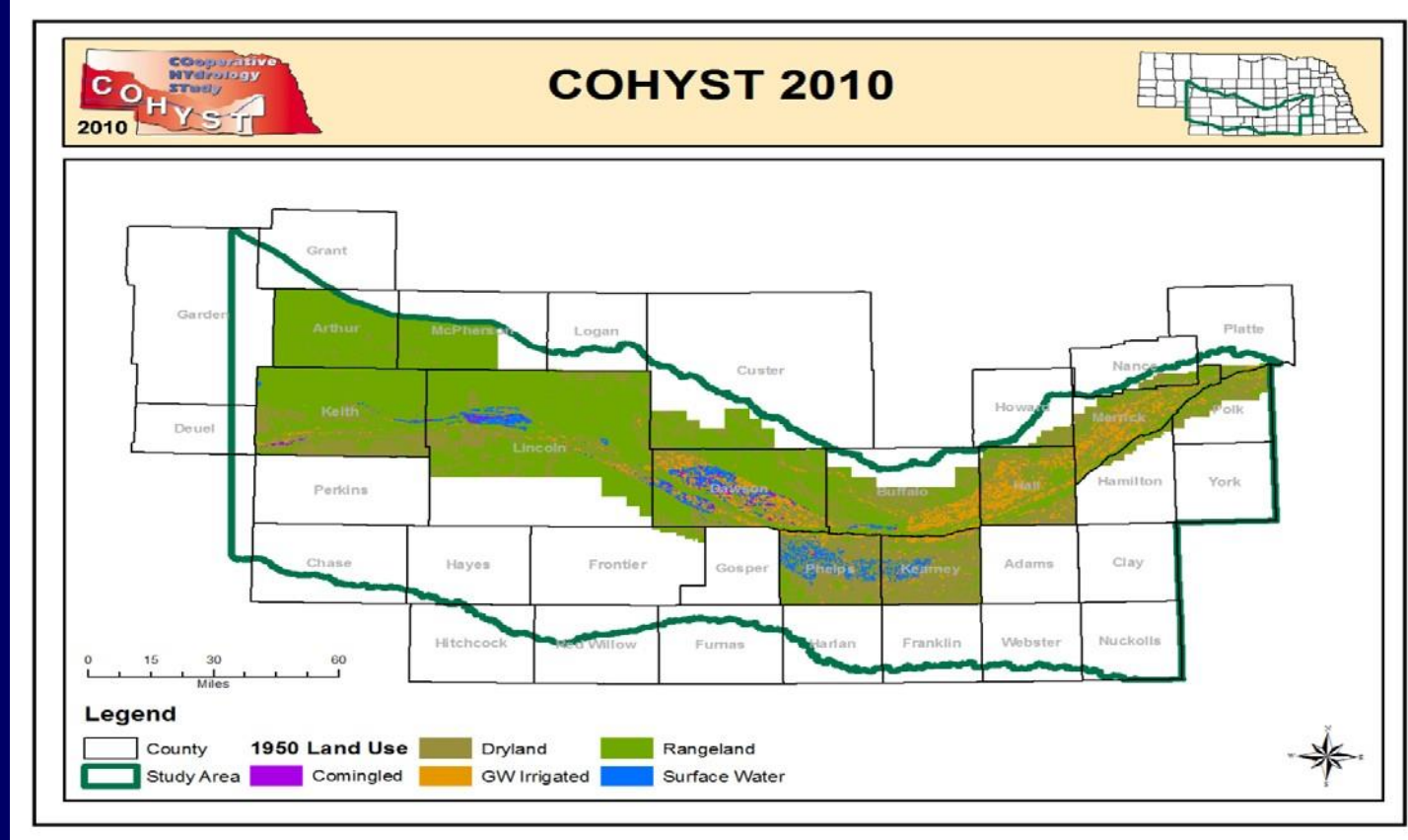


Redeveloped Land Use Data 1950 thru 2007

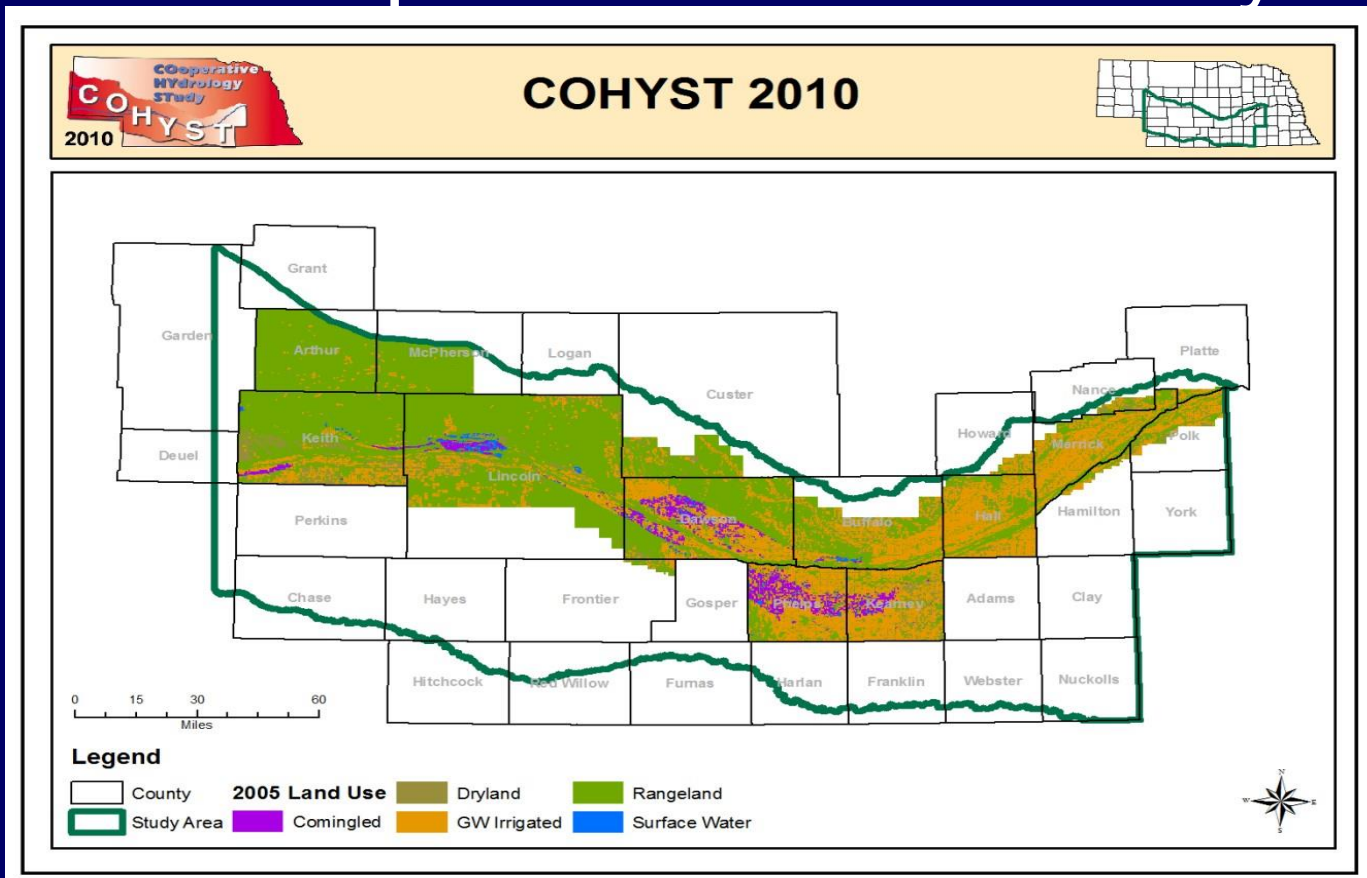


Certified Acres
 Remotely Sensed CALMIT
 Registered Wells
 Surface Water right acres
 NASS Census of Ag

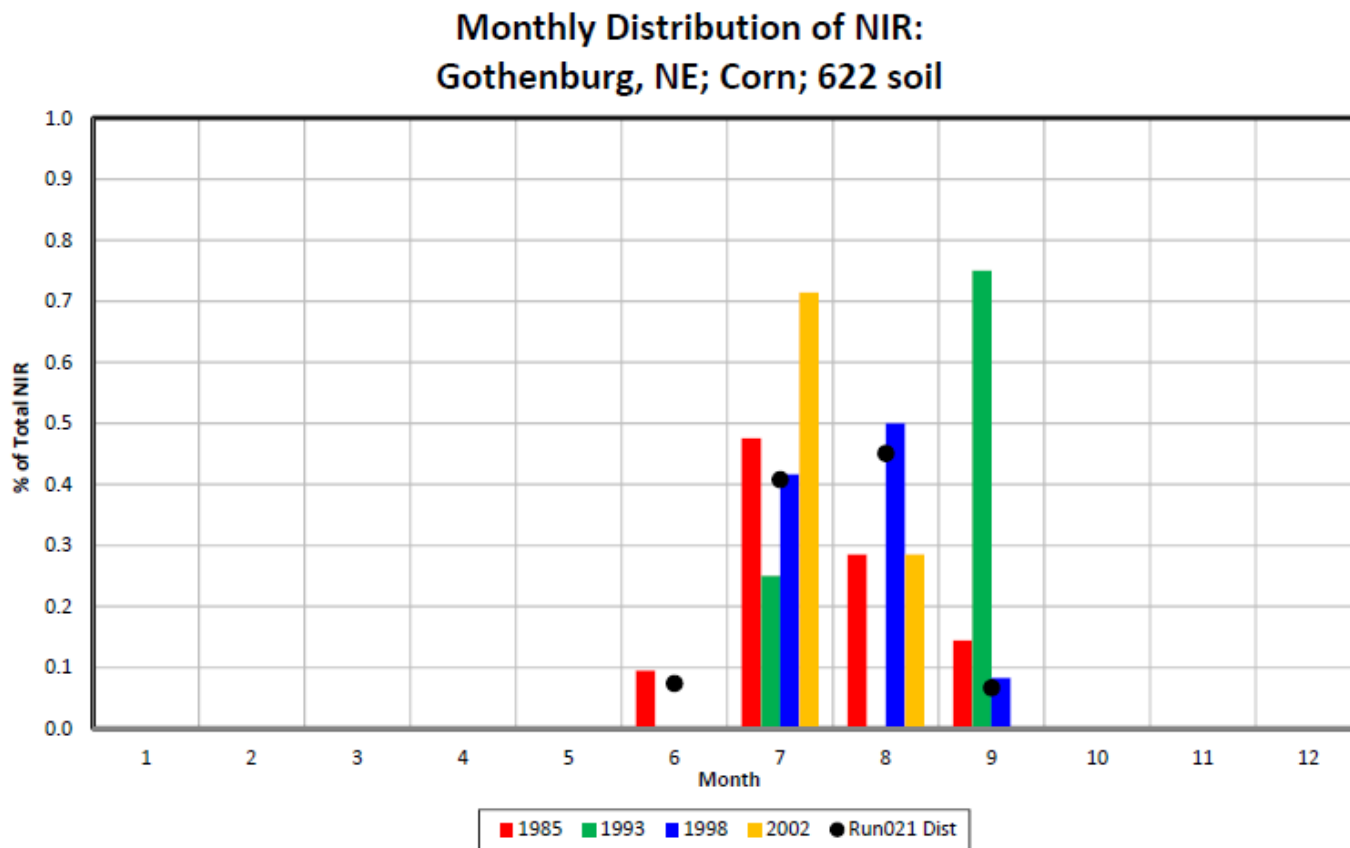
Redeveloped Land Use Data year 1950



Redeveloped Land Use Data year 2005

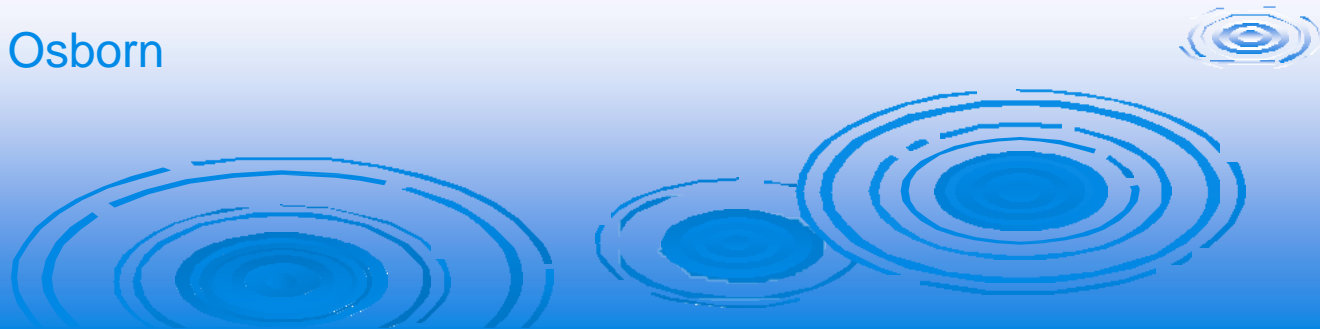


Monthly NIR Variation



COHYST 2010 Groundwater Tool

Miller , Pun, Osborn



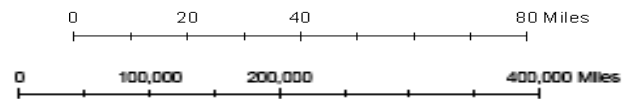
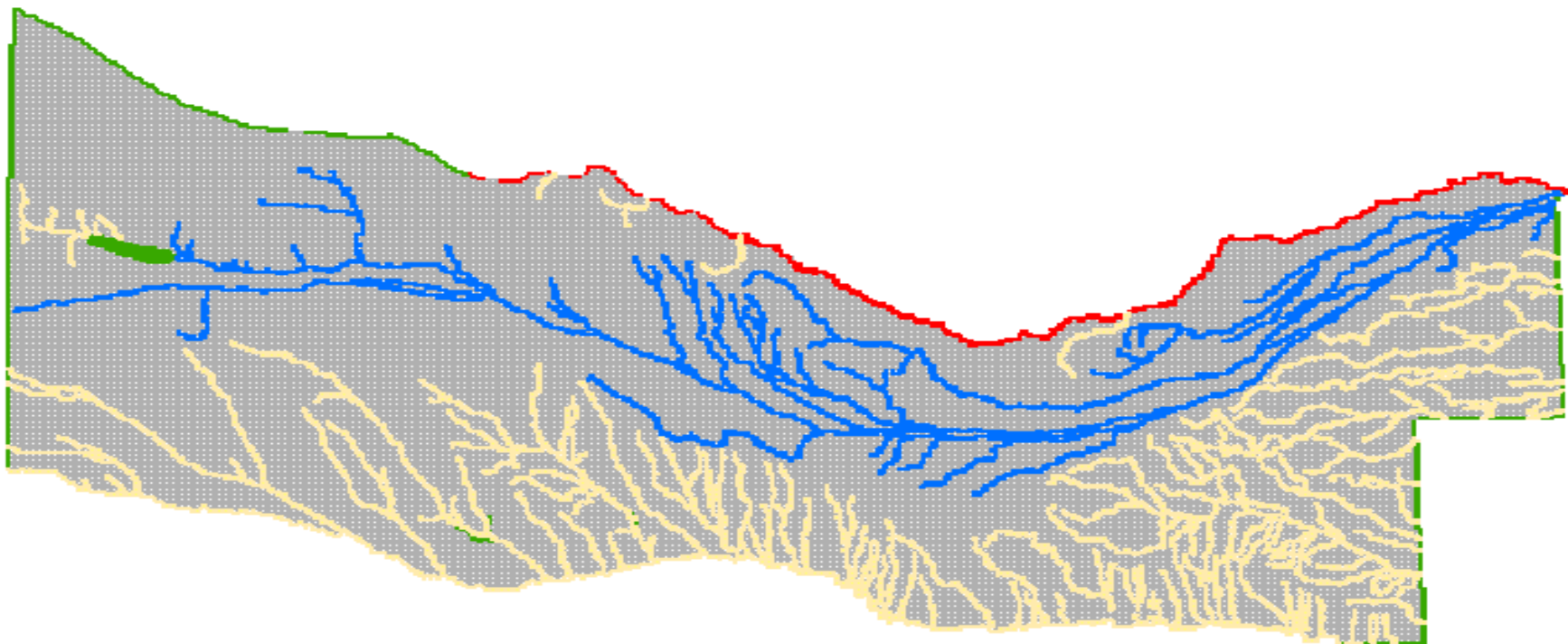
Inputs:

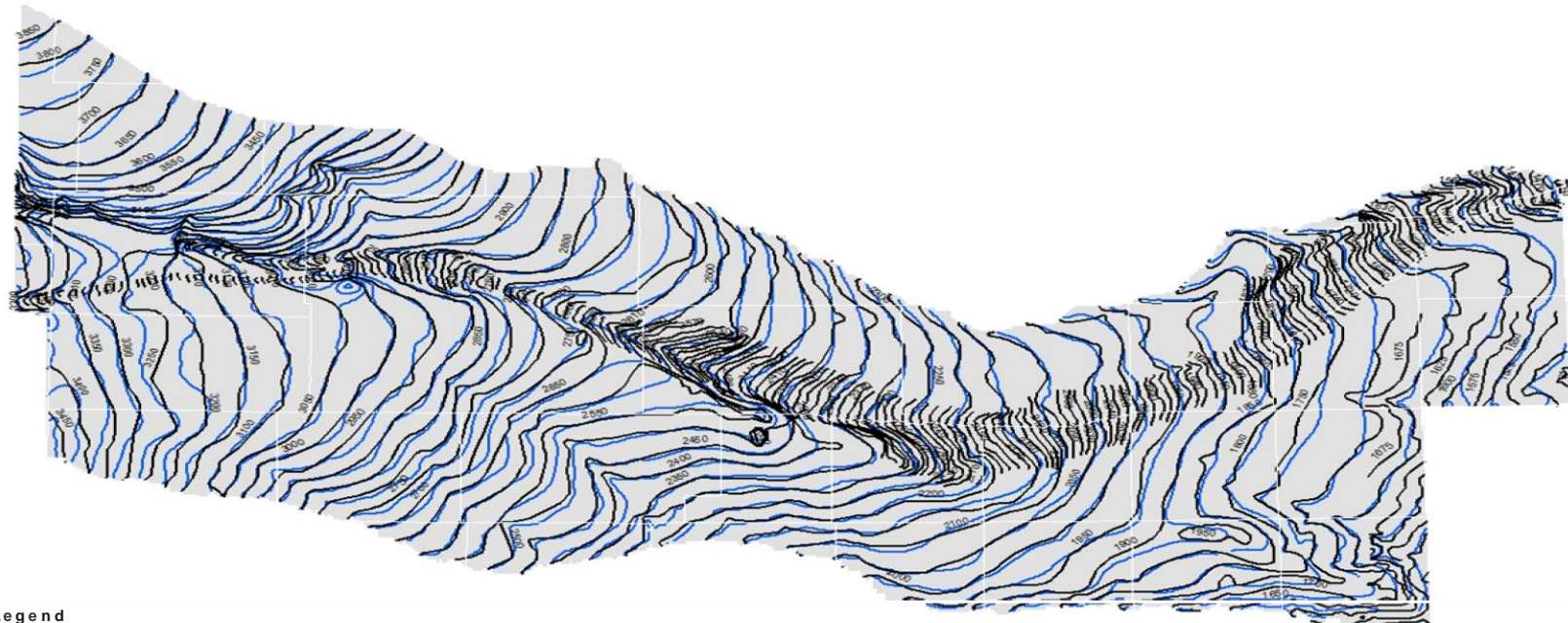
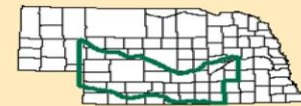
- Active area (IBOUND) – 77,300 160 acre cells
- Aquifer properties
 - Storage (S_y , S_s) – range 16 to 23%
 - Conductivity ($K_{x,y,z}$) – range 9 to 167 ft/day
- Boundary conditions
 - Temporal (initial conditions)
 - Head Dependent (STR, RIV, DRN, GHB, EVT)
 - Defined Flux (WEL, RCH)



COHYST 2010

Packages in Groundwater Model Grid





Legend

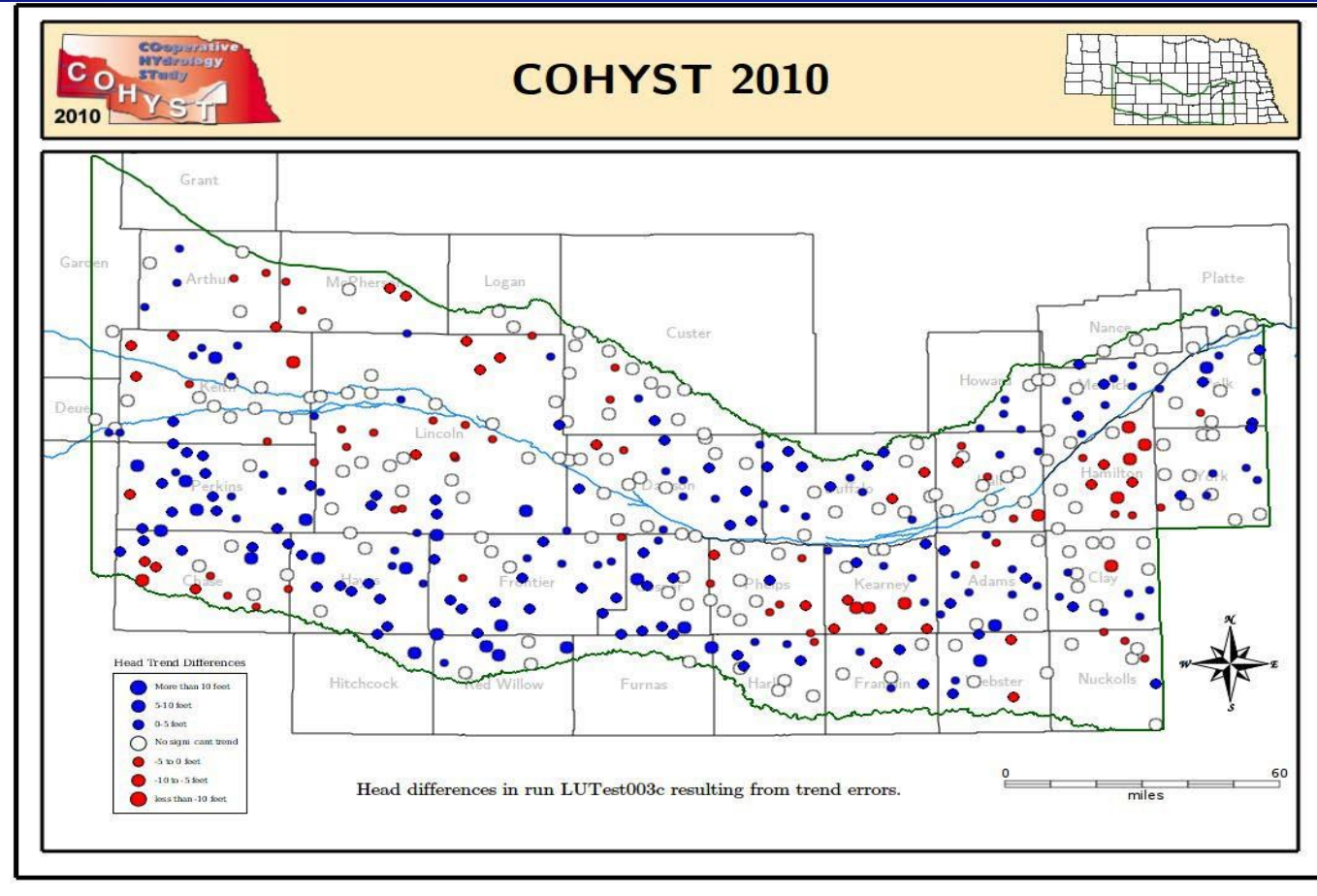
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Groundwater Model
study Area

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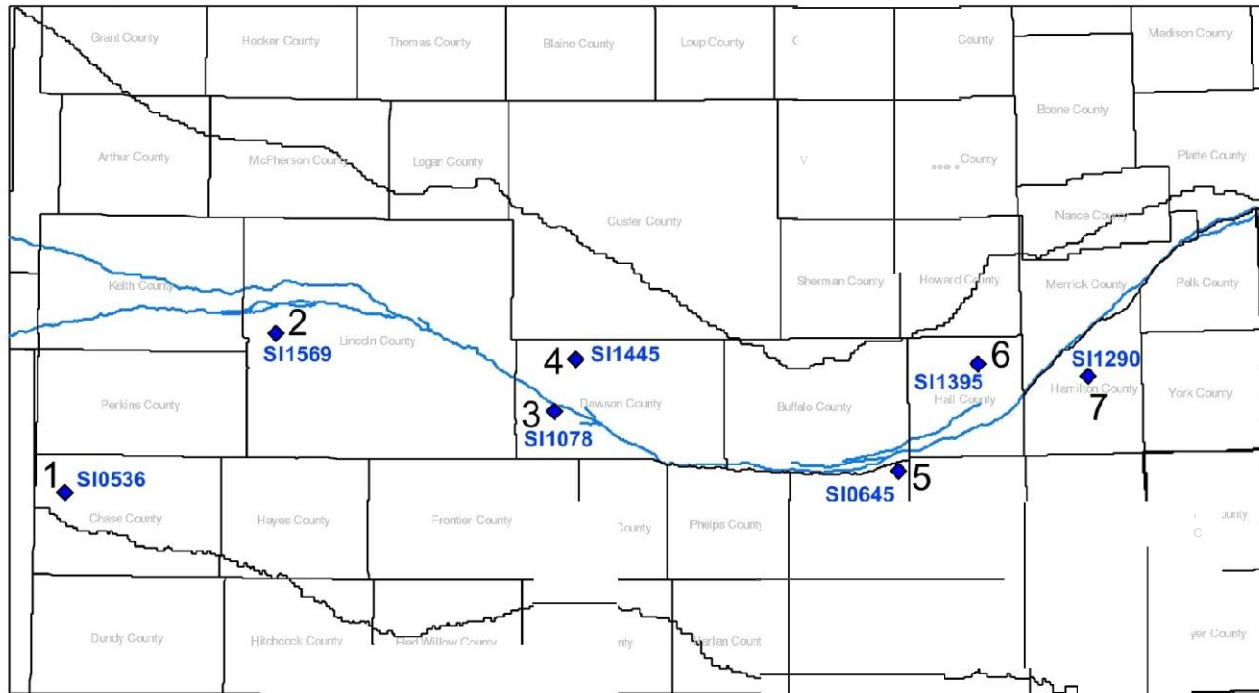


TREND MAPS

Groundwater Model Run 27



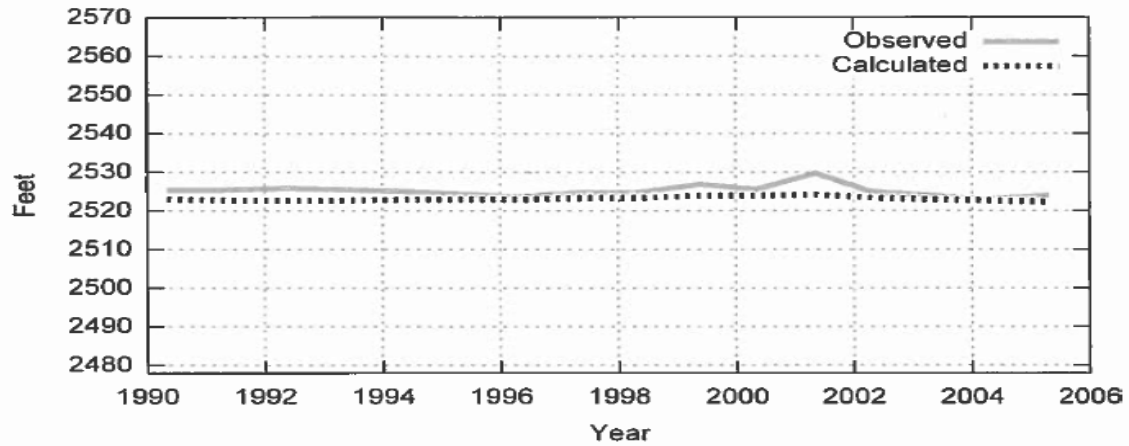
Hydrograph Locations



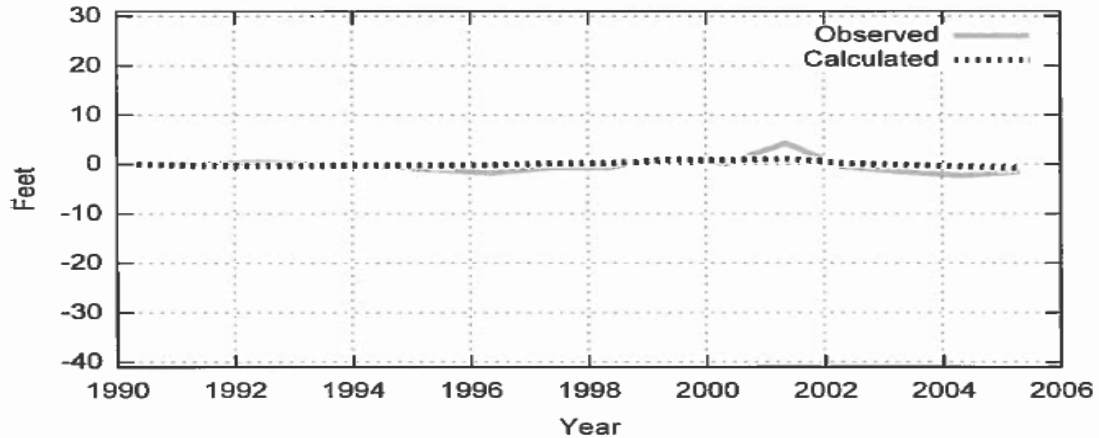
TRUE NORTH

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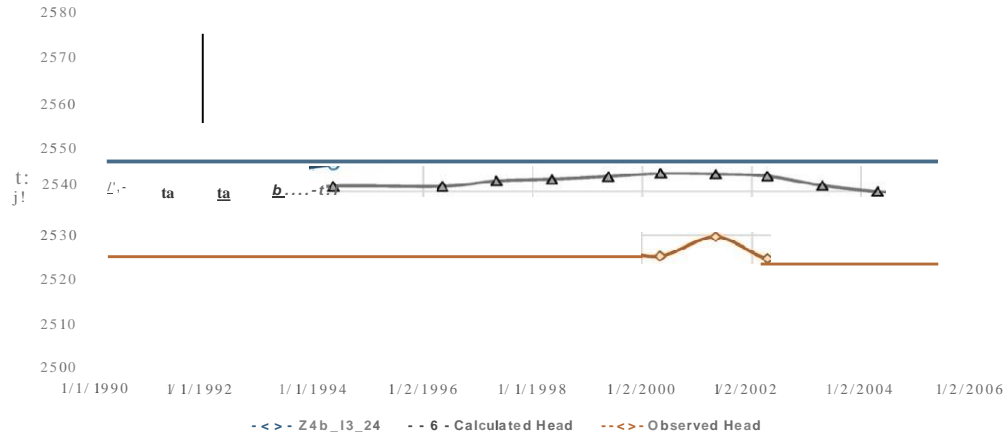
Water level at 405020100040701 (SI1078)



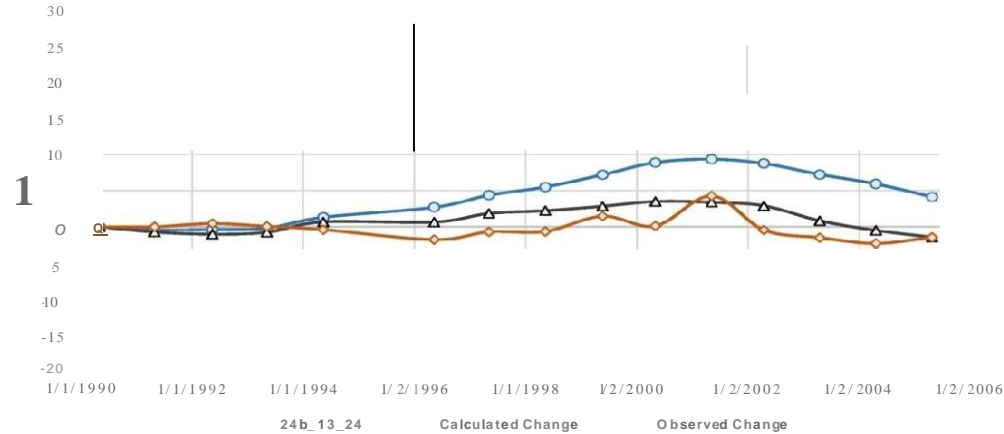
Change in water level at 405020100040701 (SI1078)



SI1078 Water level hydrograph, Dawson County South of the Platte

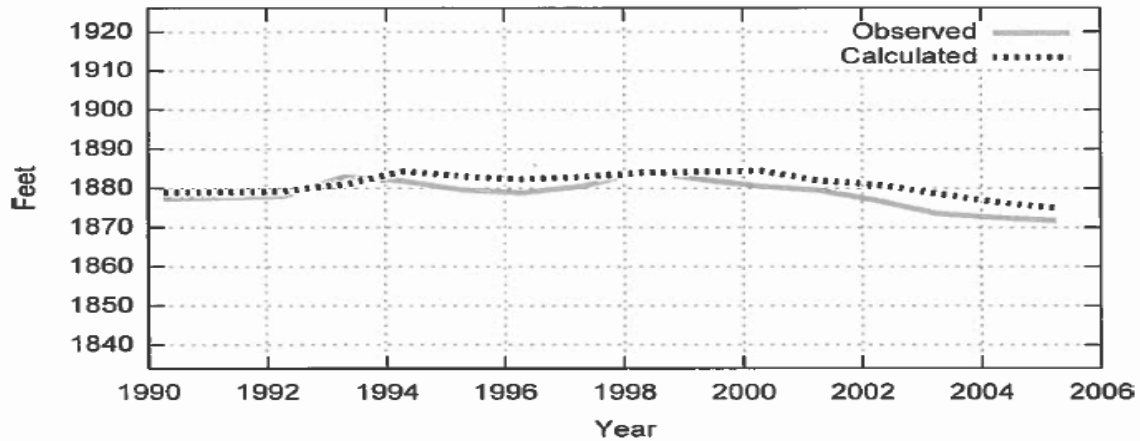


SI1078 Change in water level, Dawson County South of the Platte

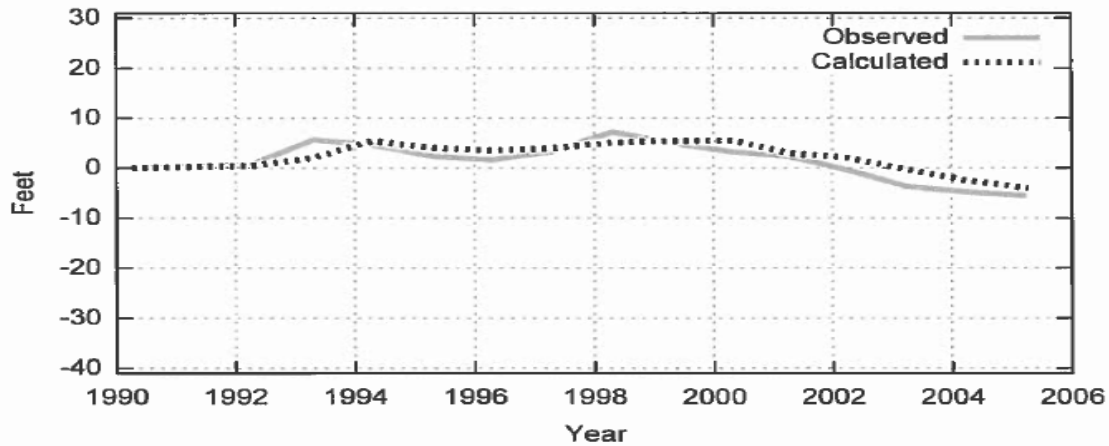


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Water level at 405755098270601 (SI1395)

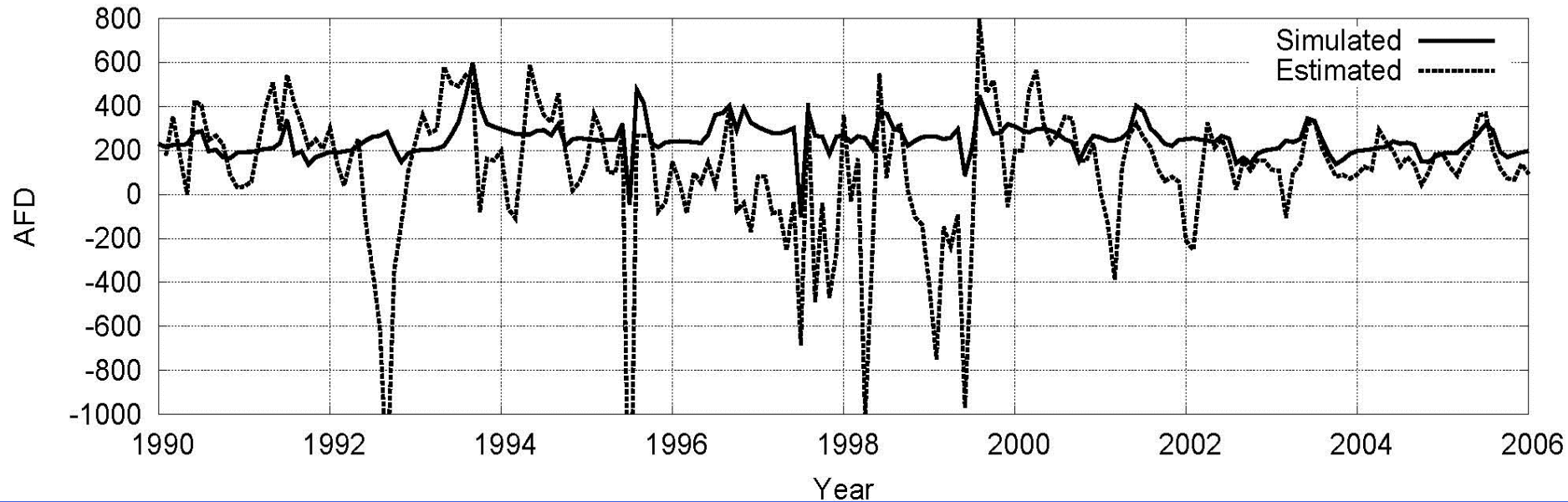


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BASEFLOW COMPARISON

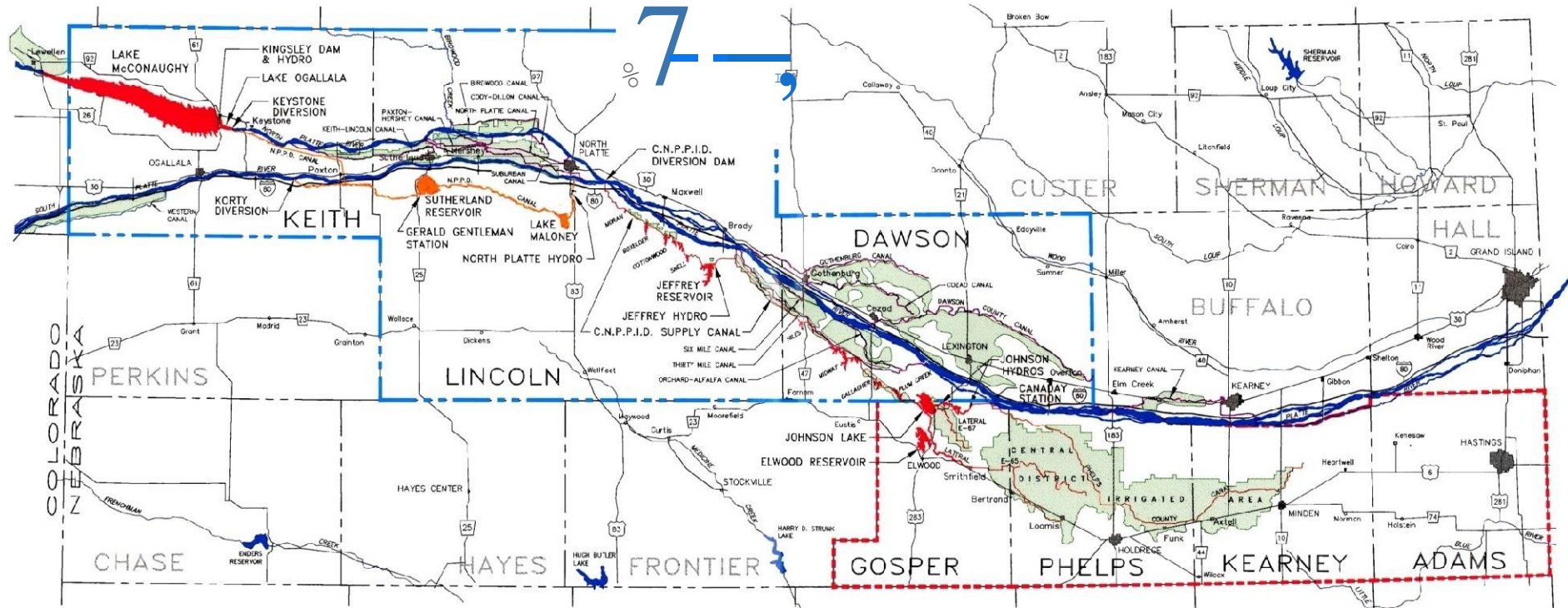
Baseflow comparison for the Platte River from Cozad to Overton





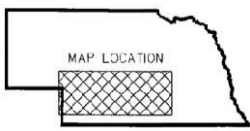
Surface Water Operations Model - STELLA

- Simple to complex systems
- Flexible tool and user-friendly
- Transparent and easy to understand
- Ideal for consensus building process



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Model Physical Components

- River Reaches
- Canal Diversions>Returns
- Reservoirs
- Hydropower

Platte River Gages

| Platte River Gages | Period of Record |
|--|------------------|
| Duncan | 1954-present |
| Grand Island | 1954-present |
| Odessa | 1954-present |
| Overton | 1954-present |
| Cozad | 1954-present |
| Brady | 1954-present |
| North Platte (S. Platte and N. Platte) | 1954-present |
| Roscoe | 1982-present |
| Julesburg | 1954-present |
| Sutherland | 1954-present |
| Keystone | 1954-present |
| Lewellen | 1954-present |

Canals

| North Platte Canals | Platte Canals |
|------------------------|--|
| Keith Lincoln Canal | Tri County Canal - CNPPID Supply Canal |
| North Platte Canal | Phelps County Canal |
| Paxton Hershey Canal | E65 Canal |
| Suburban Canal | E67 Canal |
| Cody Dillon Canal | Gothenburg Canal |
| Birdwood Canal | Cozad Canal |
| Keystone Canal | Dawson County Canal |
| South Platte Canals | Thirty Mile Canal |
| Western Canal | Six Mile Canal |
| Korty/Sutherland Canal | Orchard Alfalfa Canal |
| | Kearney Canal |

Reservoirs

- Lake McConaughy/Lake Ogallala
- Sutherland Reservoir
- Lake Maloney
- Jeffrey Lake
- Johnson Lake
- Elwood Reservoir
- B1 Reservoir
- Kearney Reservoir

Hydropower

- Kingsley Hydropower
- North Platte Hydropower
- Jeffrey Hydropower
- J1 & J2 Hydropower
- Kearney Hydropower

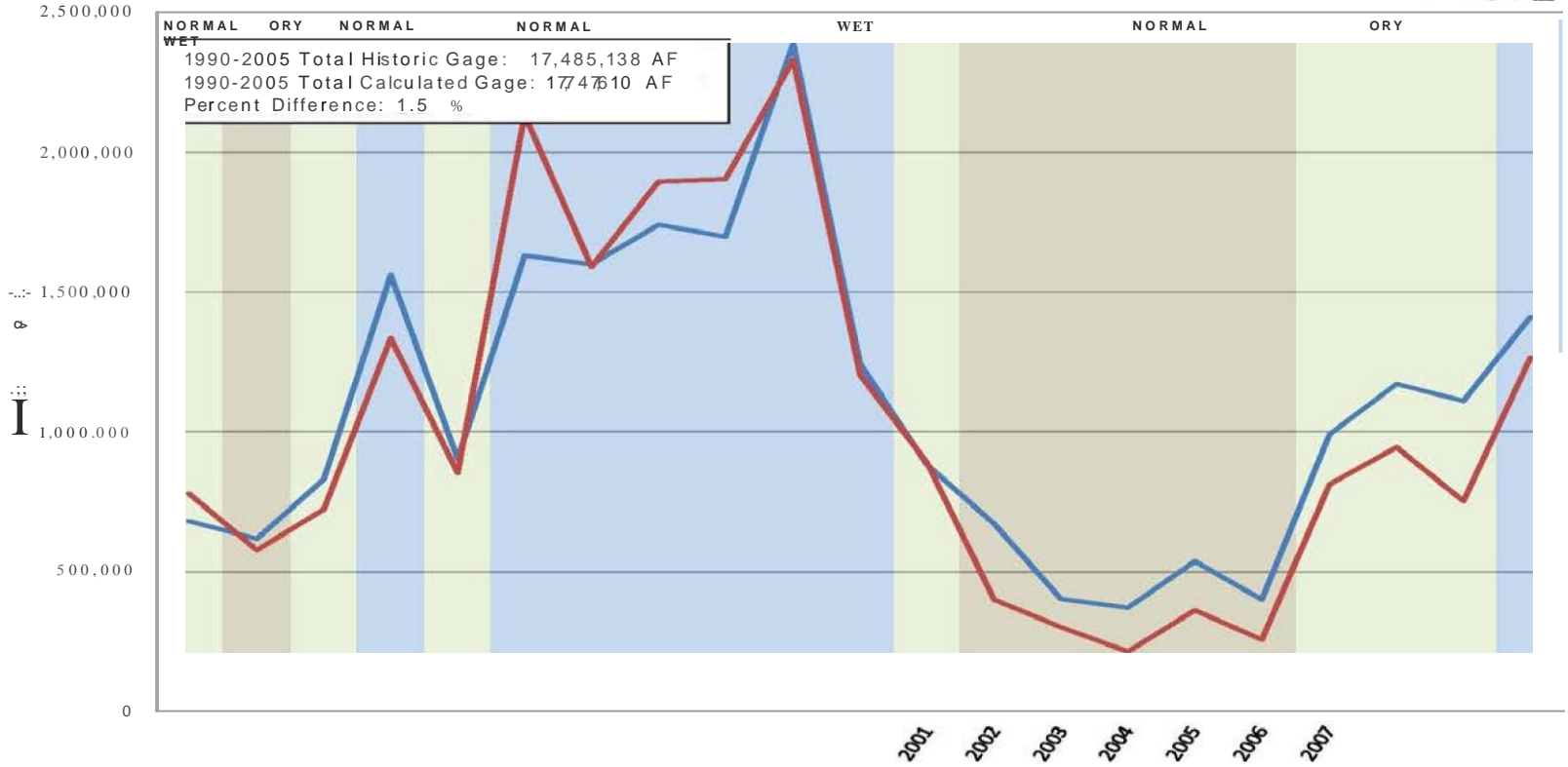
Modeling Parameters

- 1985 – 2005 Calibration
- 2006 – 2010 Verification
- Daily Time Step
- External Boundary Conditions/Inputs
 - Lake McConaughy Inflow
 - Julesburg Gage
 - Initial Baseflow & Runoff Estimates

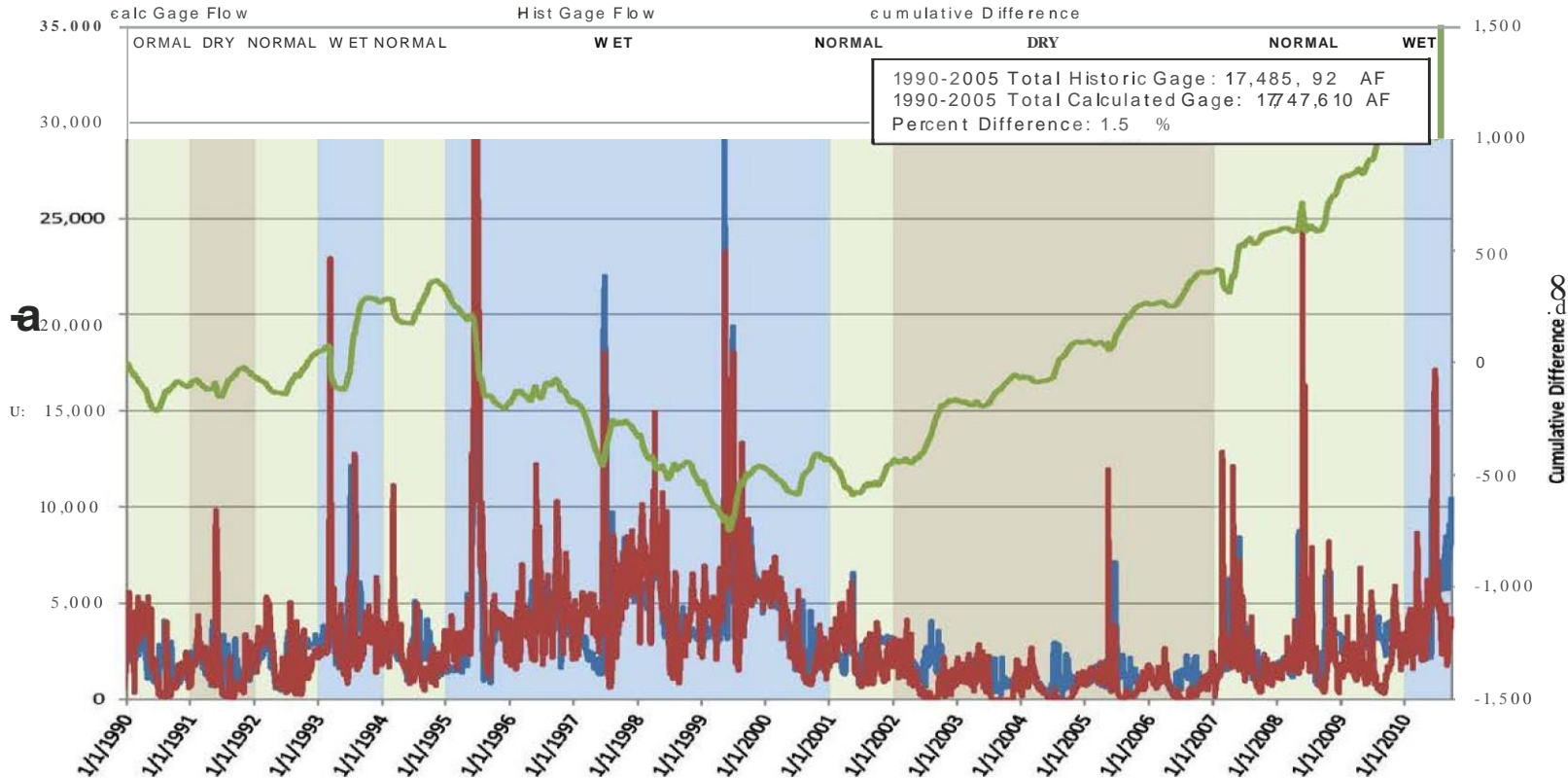
Platte River near Grand Island



-- Calc Gage Flow - - - Hist Gage Flow

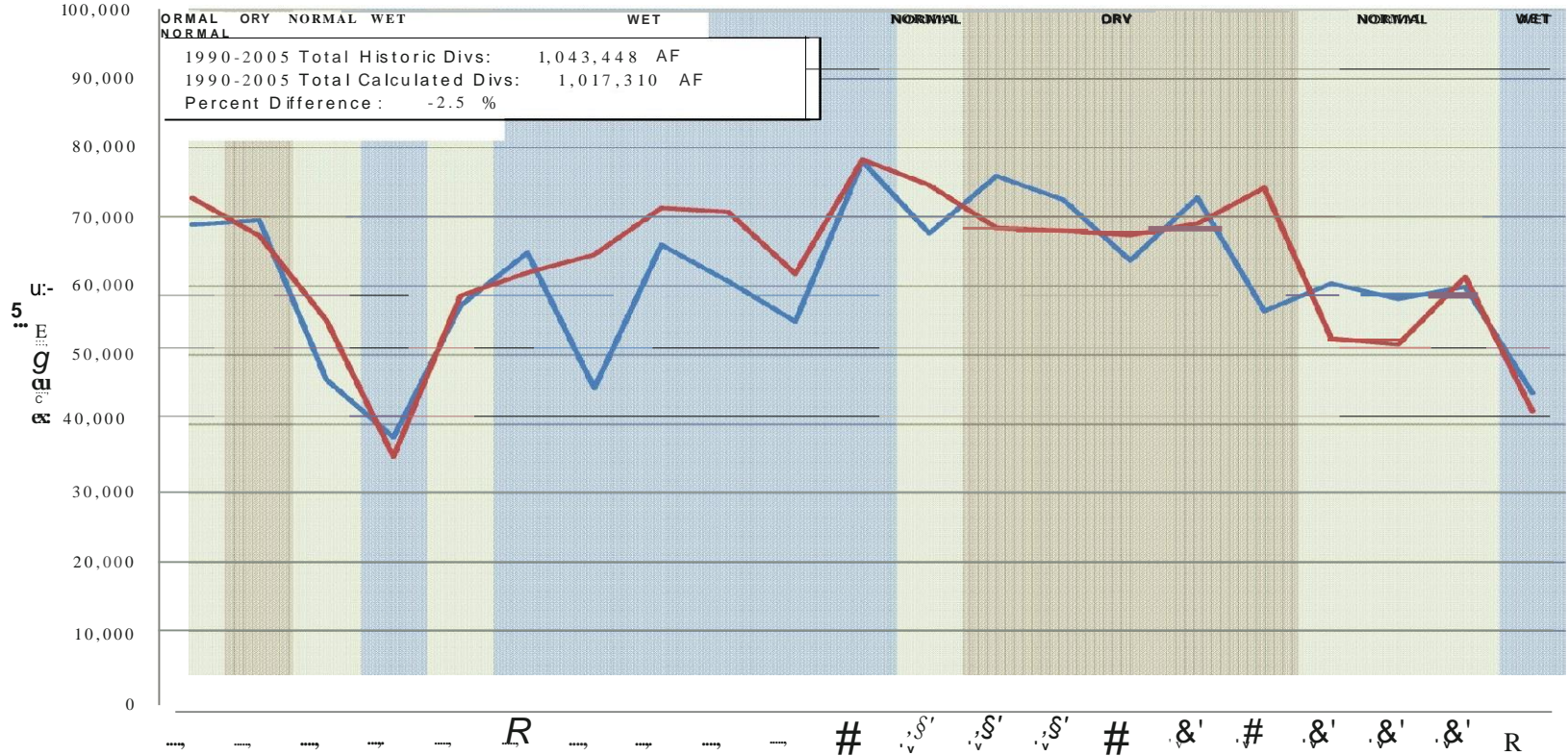


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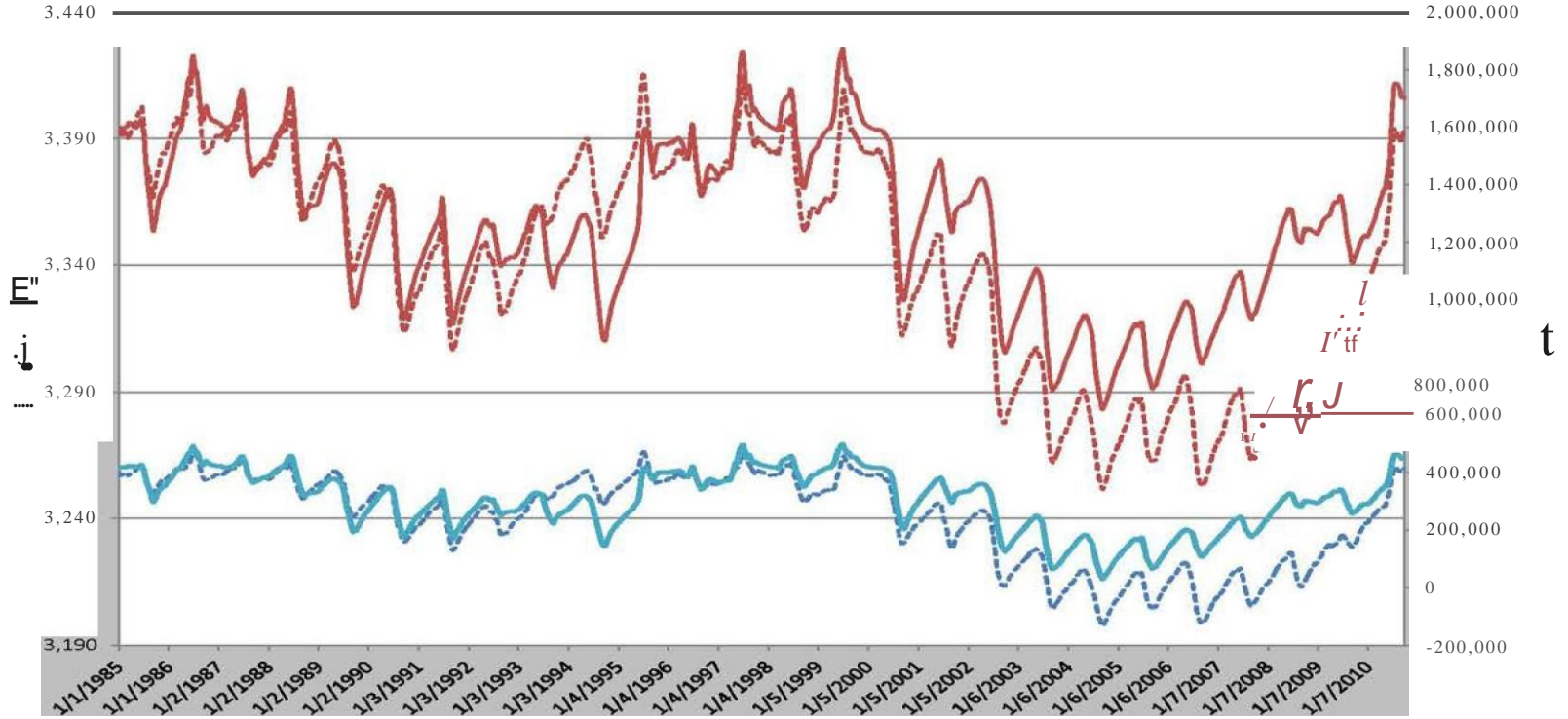


Dawson Diversion

- - - Calc Gage Flow - - - Hist Gage Flow



Lake McConaughy



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|-------|----------|-----------|---------|------|
| ----- | Historic | Calc Elev | ----- | Hist |
| Elev | | | Storage | |

Cohyst GUI

Folders

Simulation Folder (subfolder for run will be created)

Executable Folder

Lookup Tables Folder

Static Files Folder

File Templates Folder

Run Parameters

Model Name (Watershed Model)

Run Name

Number of Iterations (A=1,B=2,C=3,...)

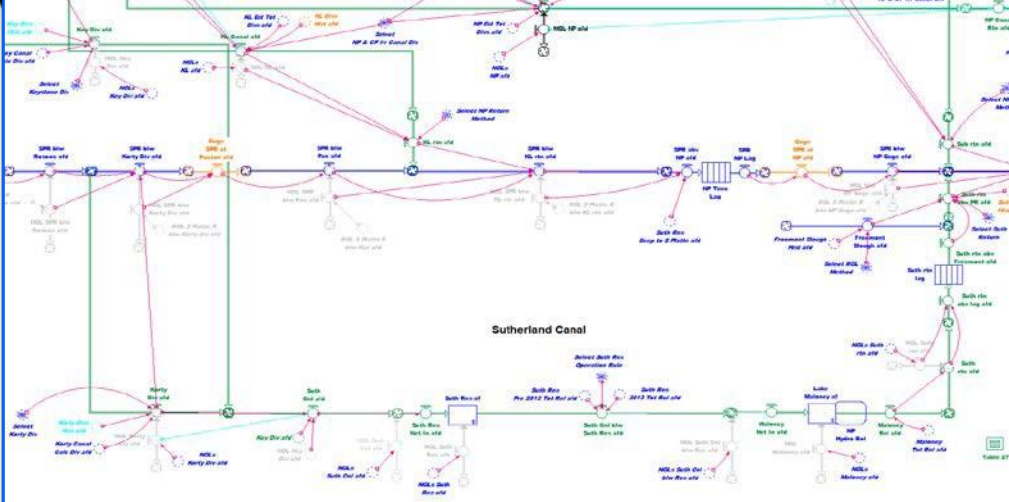
Watershed Model

Run A Canal Input Folder

Run A Canal Input Prefix

WBP Folder (within StaticFiles\Watershed\WBPDIR)

Landuse Folder (within StaticFiles\Watershed\LUDIR)

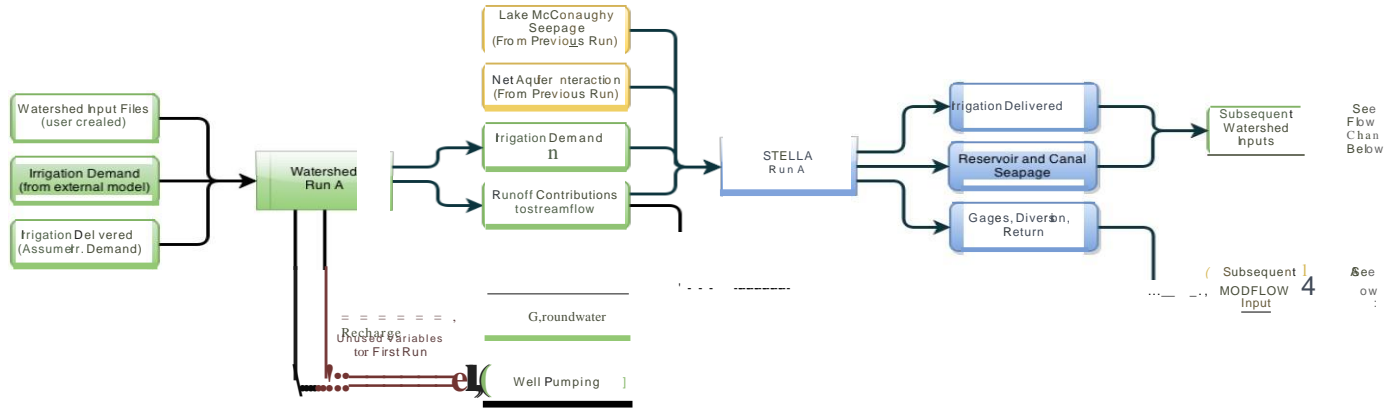


COHYST GUI

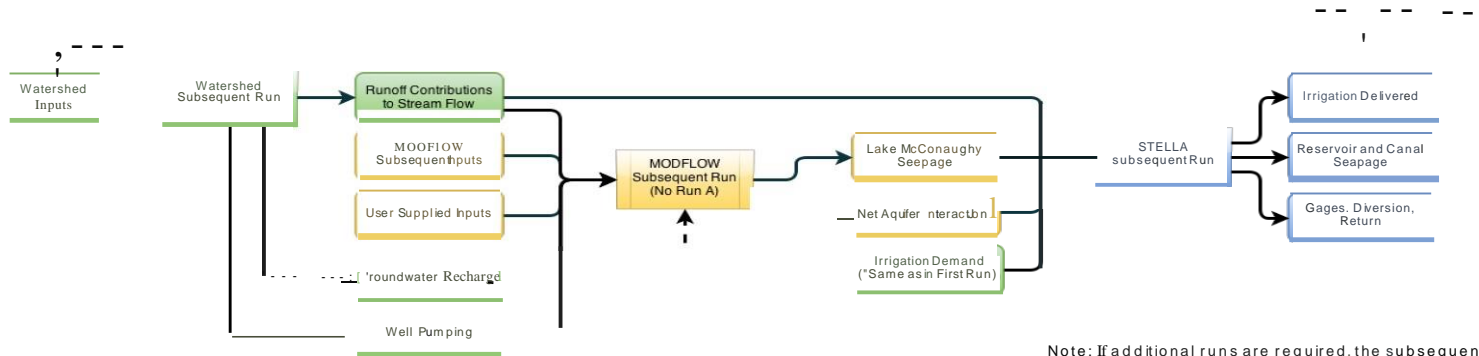
Introduction



First Run (Run A)



Subsequent Runs (Runs B, C, D, ...)



Note: If additional runs are required, the subsequent runs will follow the order of the second run (B). (Watershed, MODFLOW, STELLA) inputs for runs past the second run, are marked with a dashed line.

GUI Benefits

- Automated run (while you sleep)
- No missed steps
- Easier for one person to complete
- Data conversions done automatically
- Repeatable
- Log files record process/STELLA inputs
- Output processing tools provide standard information
- Easier to learn

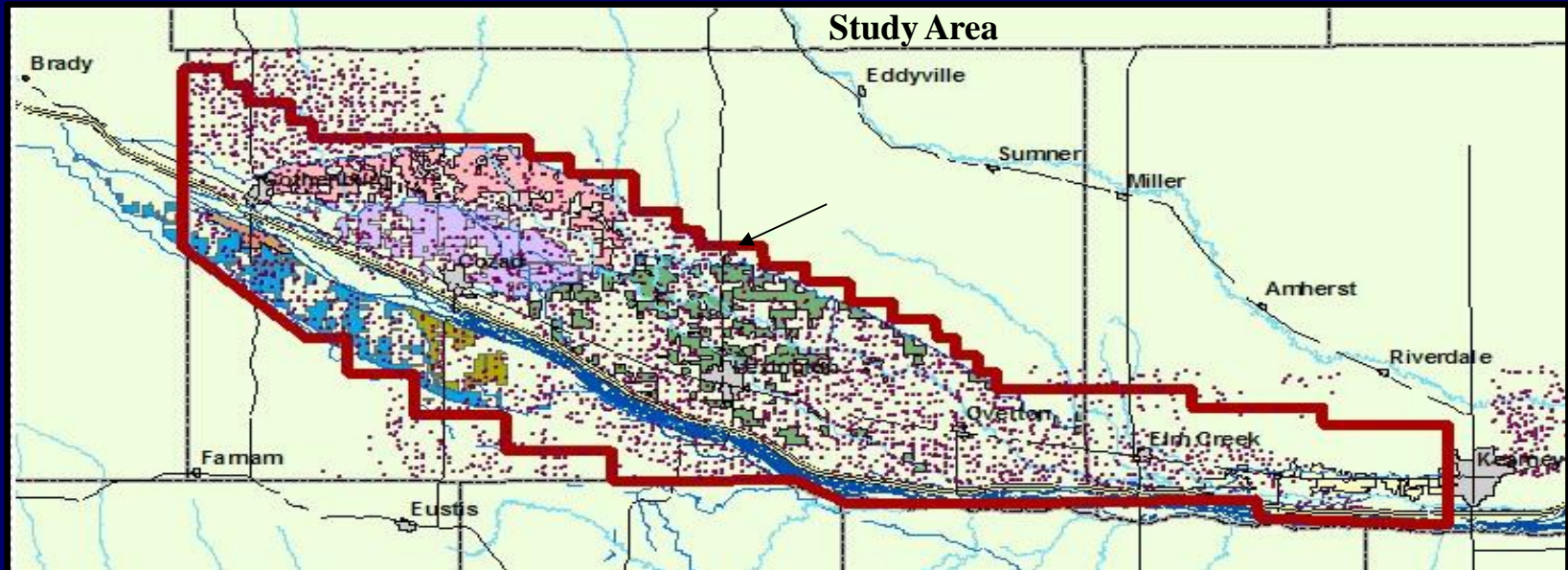


COHYST 2010 Integrated Model Analysis

- Surface Water Canal Lining project
- Conjunctive Water Management Scenario Analysis
- Platte River Basin Robust Review
- Platte River Program Project Scoring Analysis

COHYST & Conjunctive Water Management

- Surface water / groundwater interrelationship
 - Where and how surface water and groundwater interact
 - Sustainable irrigation water supply



Platte River Basin Robust Review

- Baseline Run with COHYST 2010 Model
- Modified Model analysis for
 - Land Use changes (Acre retirements and transfers)
 - Crop Mix analysis (change in crop consumptive use)
 - Canal Recharge project analysis
 - Flow Augmentation analysis
 - Allocation analysis
 - M&I and Livestock feeding analysis

Questions?



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IV. REVIEW AND REFINEMENT OF FIRST INCREMENT GOALS

GOAL 1

Incrementally achieve and sustain a fully appropriated condition.

GOAL 1: OBJECTIVE 1

Offset impacts of streamflow depletions to (A) surface water appropriations and (B) water wells constructed in aquifers dependent upon recharge from streamflow to the extent those depletions are due to water use initiated after July 1, 1997

GOAL 1: OBJECTIVE 2

Actively pursue funding for offsets and develop and maintain data and analytical tools, such as the Cooperative Hydrology Study (COHYST) and other programs and projects needed to implement this Plan.

GOAL 1: OBJECTIVE 3

Continue to develop the methodology to calculate the difference between the current and fully appropriated levels of development in each NRD.

GOAL 1: OBJECTIVE 4

Conduct a technical analysis to determine whether the controls adopted in the respective plans or other management actions taken by the NRD are sufficient to offset depletions due to post- July 1, 1997, water uses and whether the provisions of this Plan and the IMPs are adequate to sustain progress toward a fully appropriated level of water use.

GOAL 4

Work cooperatively to identify and investigate disputes between ground water users and surface water appropriators and, if determined appropriate, implement management solutions to address such issues.

GOAL 4: OBJECTIVE 1

Identify disputes between ground water users and surface water appropriators.

GOAL 4: OBJECTIVE 2

Investigate and address issues between ground water users and surface water appropriators, based on investigation results.



V. NEXT STEPS



VI. PUBLIC COMMENT