



Groundwater

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Mission:

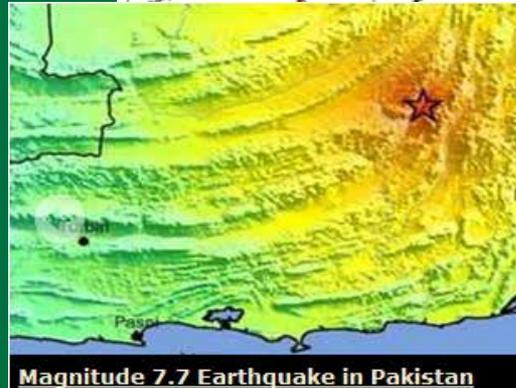
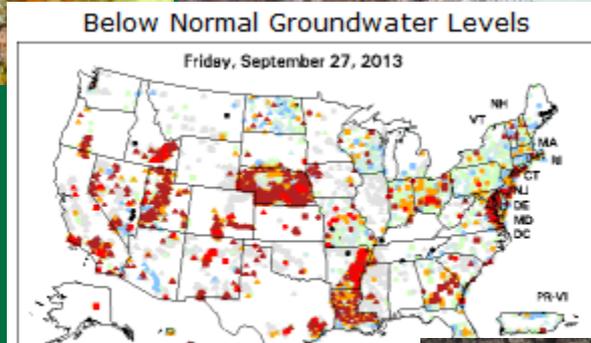
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- Describe and understand the Earth
- Minimize loss of life and property from natural disasters
- Manage water, biological, energy, and mineral resources
- Enhance and protect our quality of life

The USGS is the Nation's largest earth - and life - science agency and has the principal responsibility within the Federal government for providing hydrologic information and appraising the Nation's water resources.

Mission Areas

- Climate & Land Use Change
- Ecosystems
- Energy & Minerals
- Environmental Health
- Natural Hazards
- Water



Magnitude 7.7 Earthquake in Pakistan



Ecosystems: Turtles in Morocco

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Clutch and egg allometry of the turtle *Mauremys leprosa* (Chelonia: Geoemydidae) from a polluted peri-urban river in west-central Morocco

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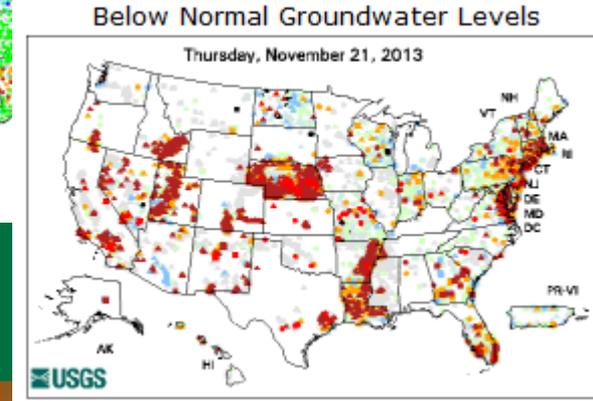
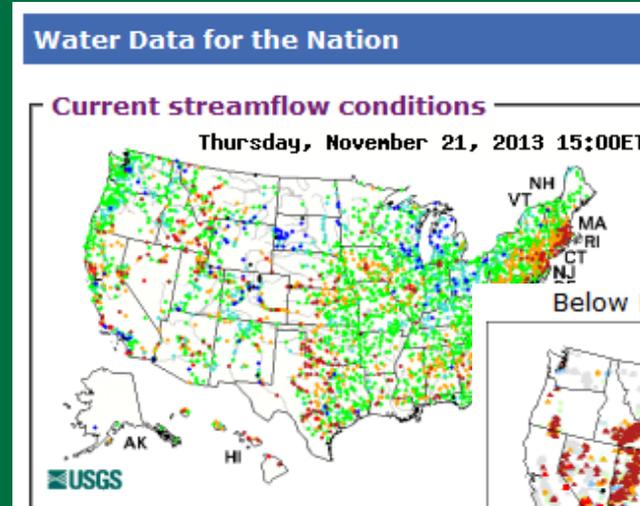
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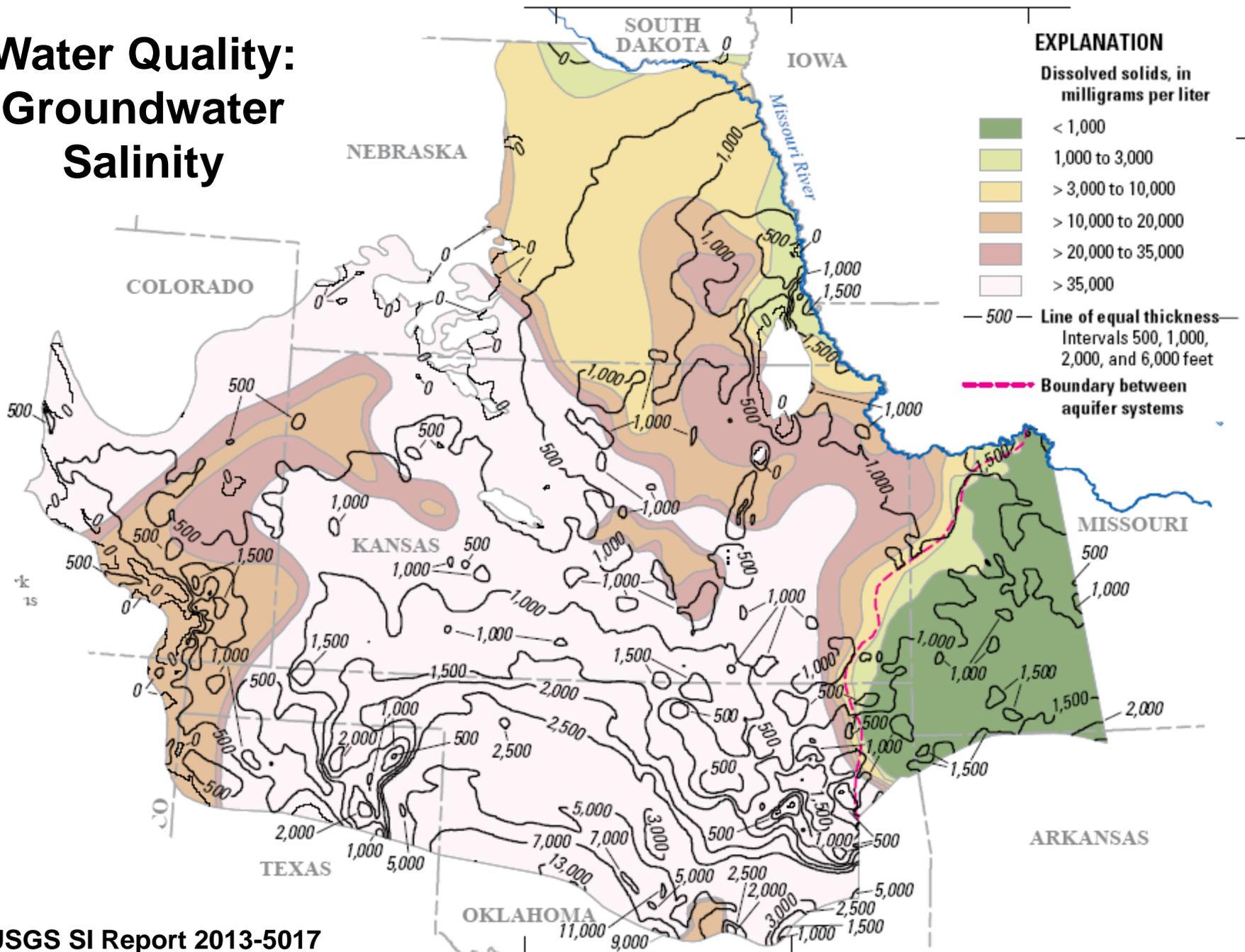
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Water Programs (\$)

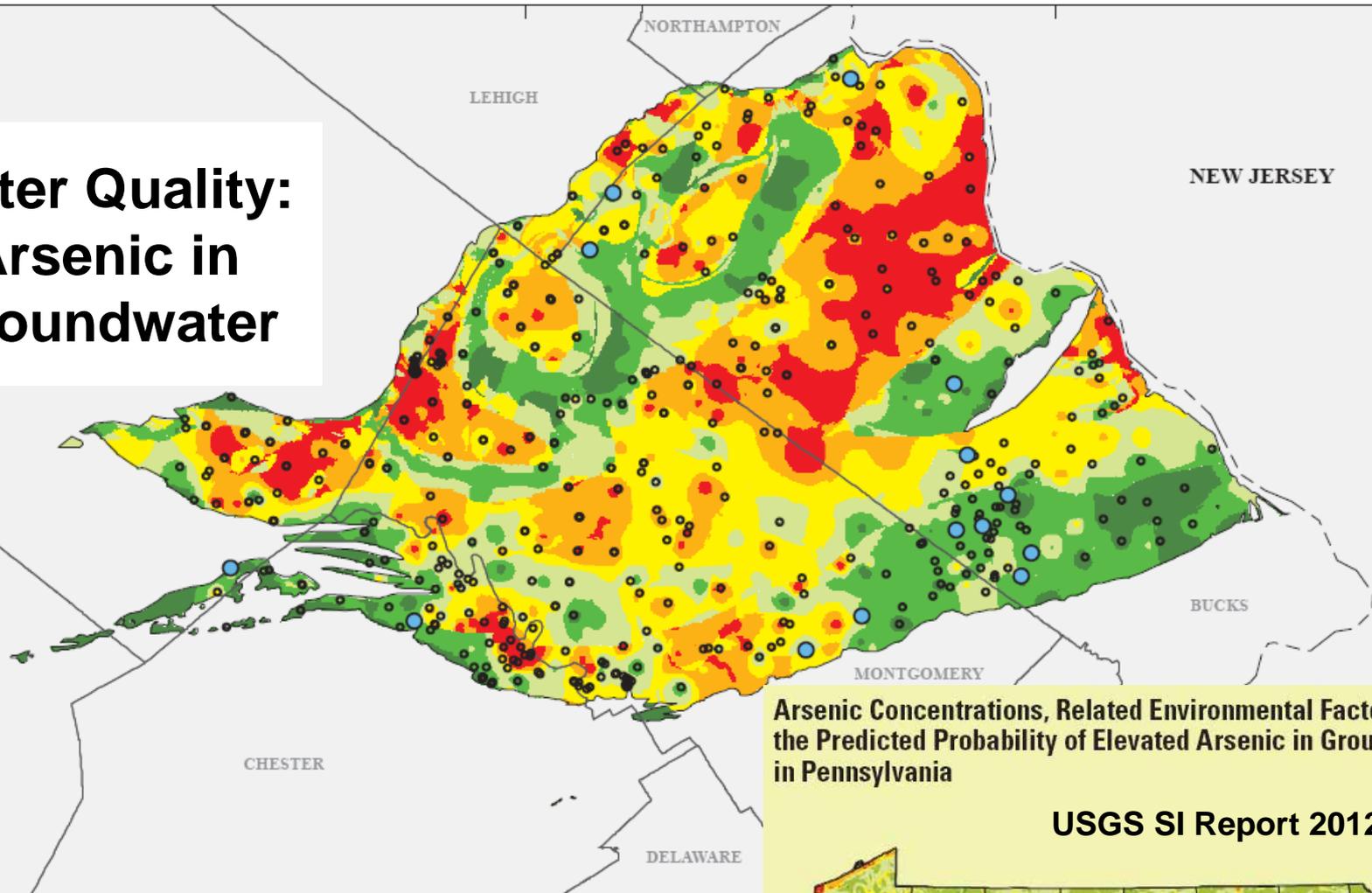
- Cooperative Studies
- Streamflow
- Groundwater Resources
- Networks & Analysis
- National Water Quality Assessment
- Research & Development
- Toxic Substances (EH)
- National Water Census (Initiative)



Water Quality: Groundwater Salinity

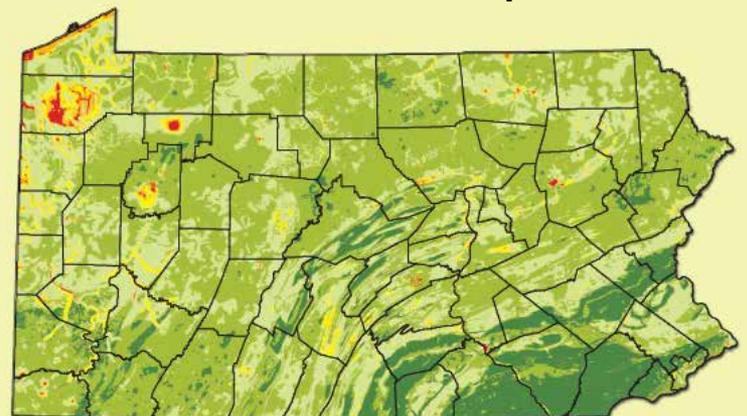


Water Quality: Arsenic in Groundwater



Arsenic Concentrations, Related Environmental Factors, and the Predicted Probability of Elevated Arsenic in Groundwater in Pennsylvania

USGS SI Report 2012-5257



Predicted probability of elevated arsenic concentrations in groundwater, in percent



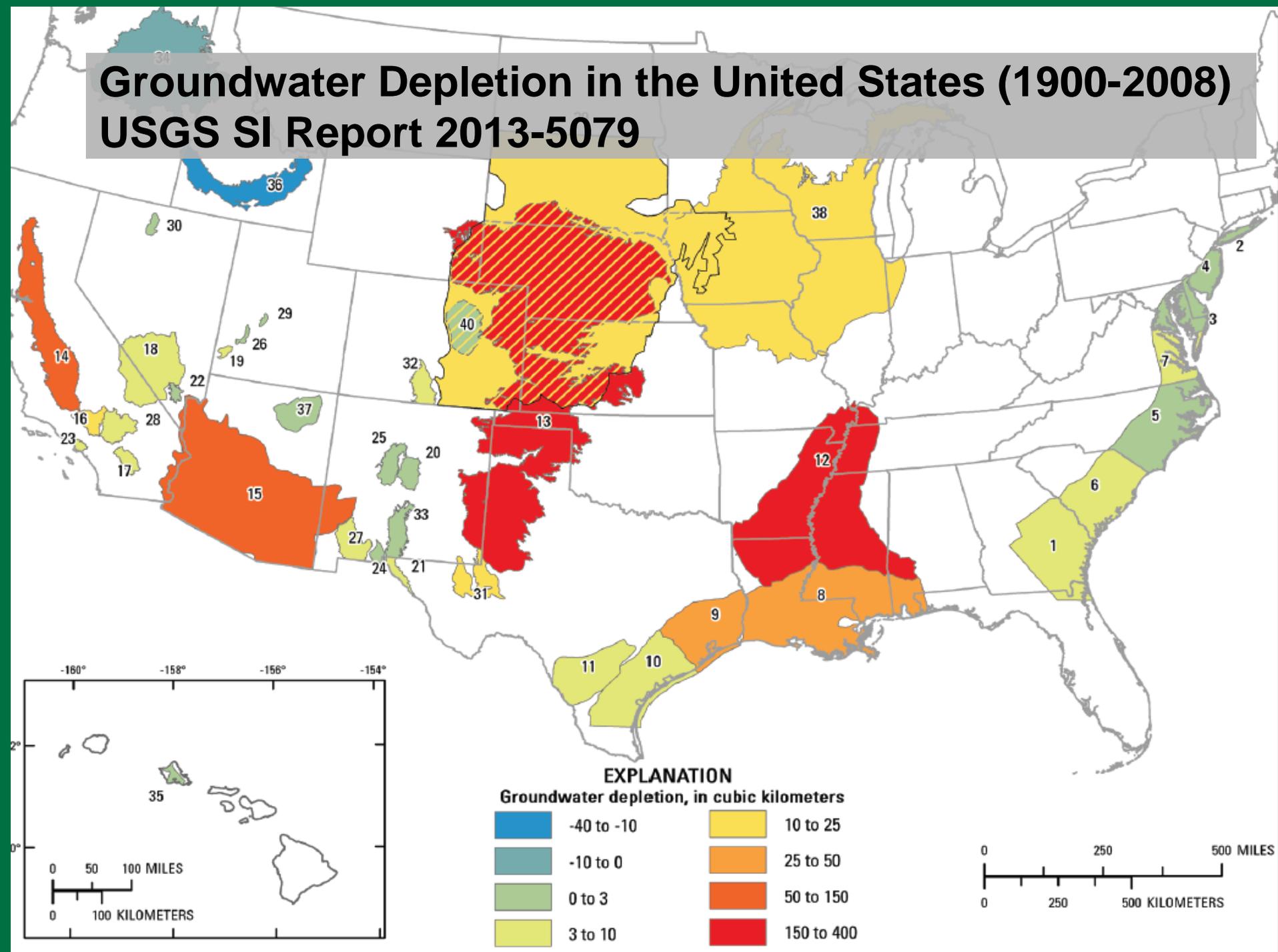
EXPLANATION

Pearson residual values $n = 455$ values less than -2.0 and

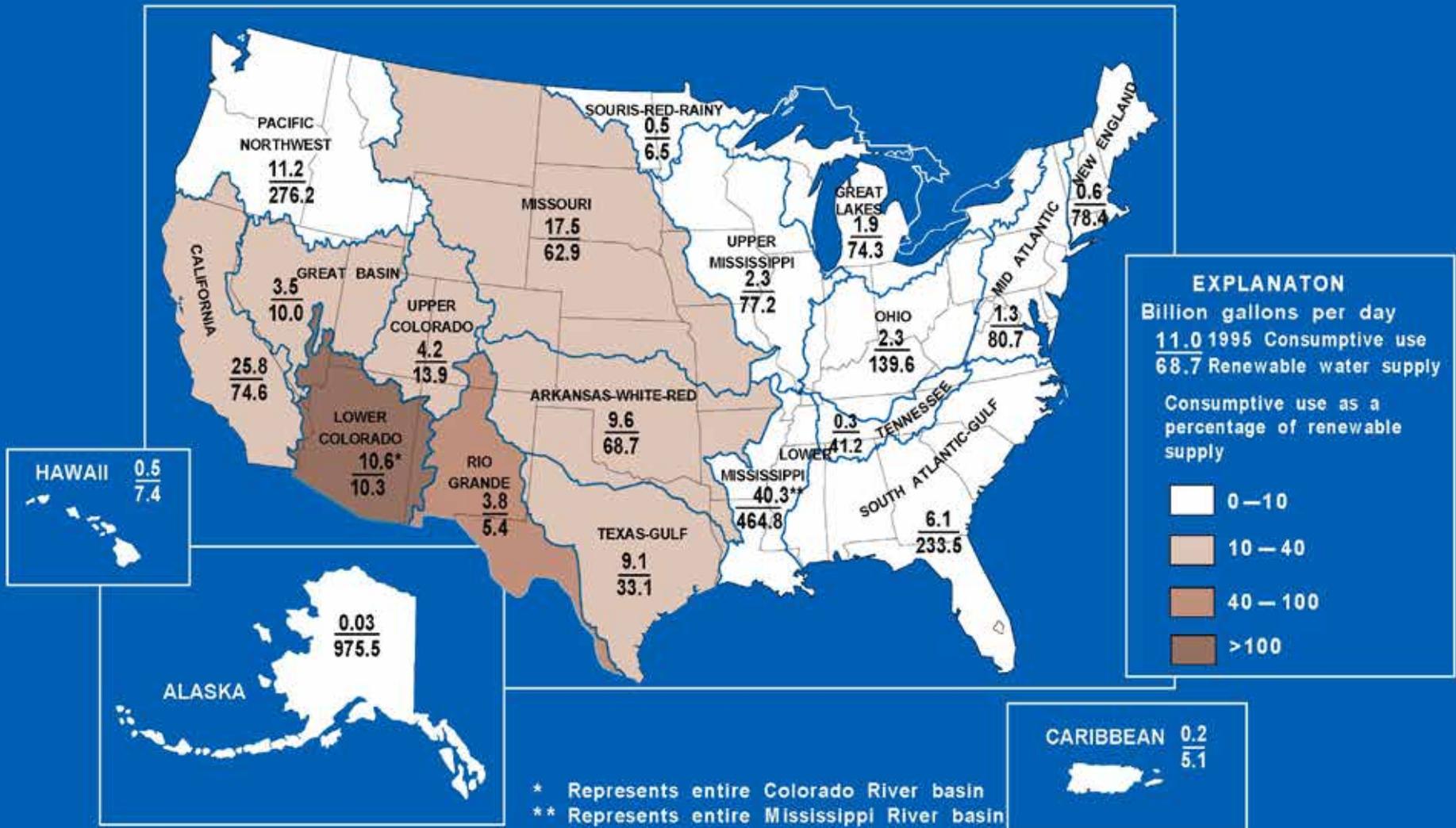
- Less than -2.0 ; $n = 0$ Indicates that an elevated model predicting a high probability
- $-2.0 - 2.0$; $n = 441$ Indicates that the predicted probability is intermediate
- Greater than 2.0 ; $n = 14$ Indicates that an elevated model predicting a low probability

Groundwater Depletion in the United States (1900-2008)

USGS SI Report 2013-5079

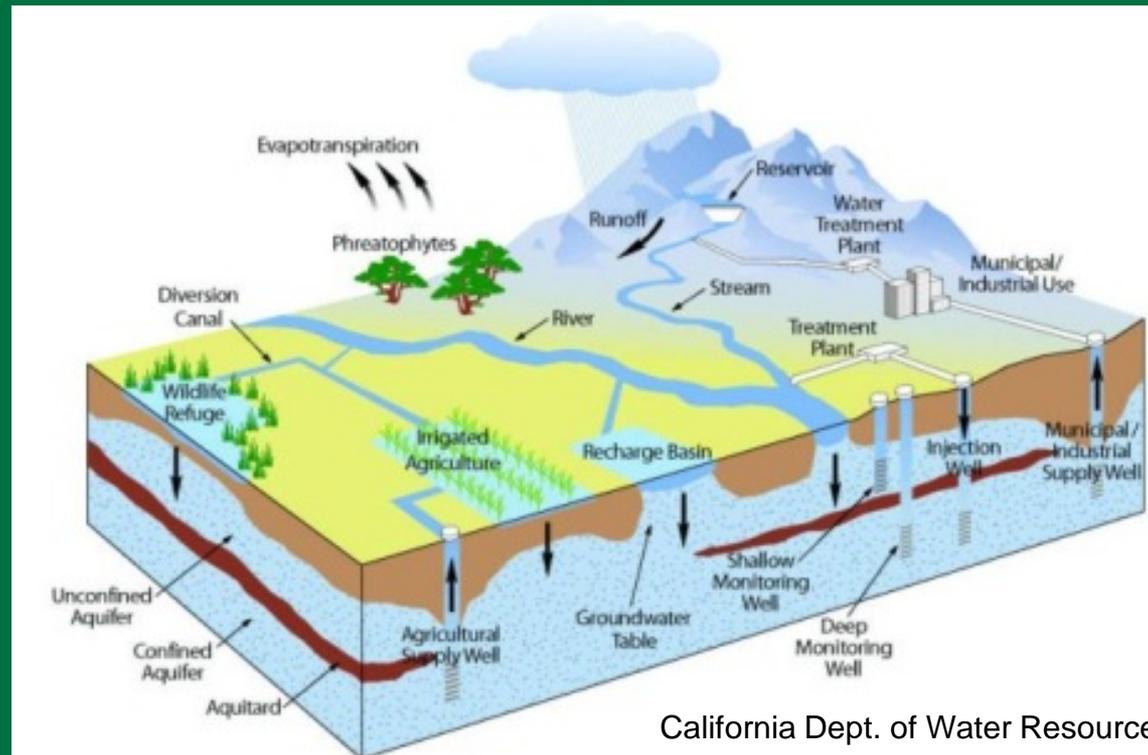


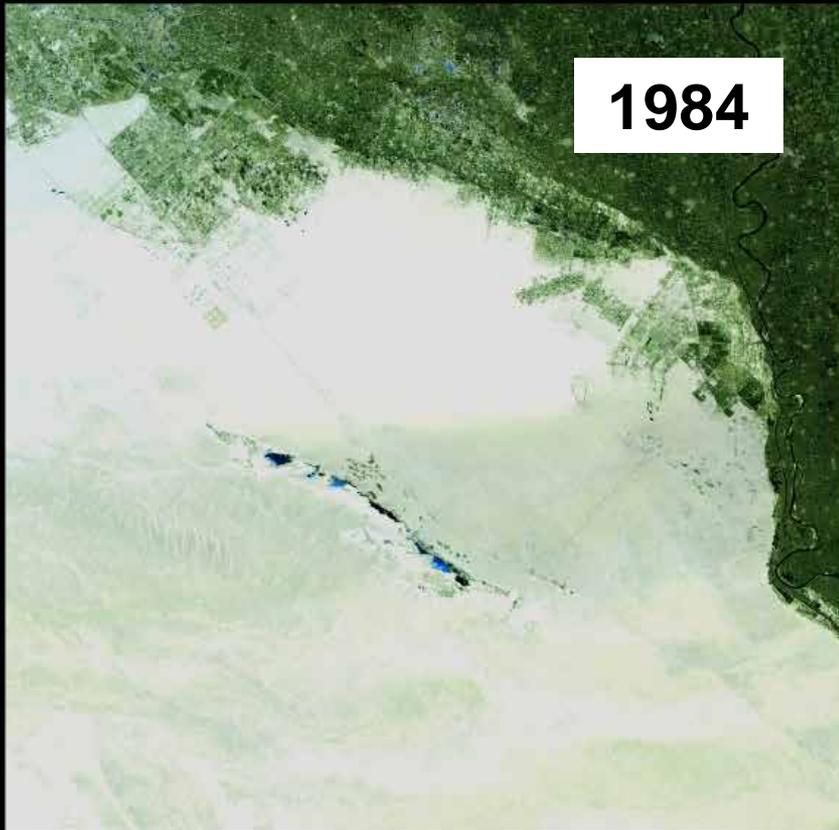
CONSUMPTIVE USE AND RENEWABLE WATER SUPPLY, BY WATER-RESOURCES REGION



Consumptive Use vs. Non-Consumptive Use

- § Agriculture is 80-100% consumptive (lost to evaporation)
- § Other uses 60-80% non-consumptive (stays in local water system, as liquid)
- § Non-consumptive water can be reused
- § In Jordan, municipal and industrial water is used, collected, treated, and re-used for agriculture.





Landsat 5
June 7, 1984



Landsat 7
June 12, 2012



Agriculture transforms Egyptian Desert



Agro-Hydrologic Monitoring of “Irrigated” Systems in Euphrates and Tigris Region

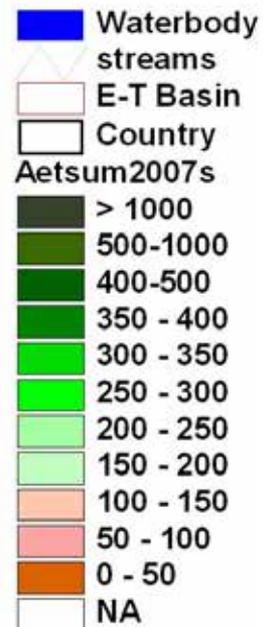
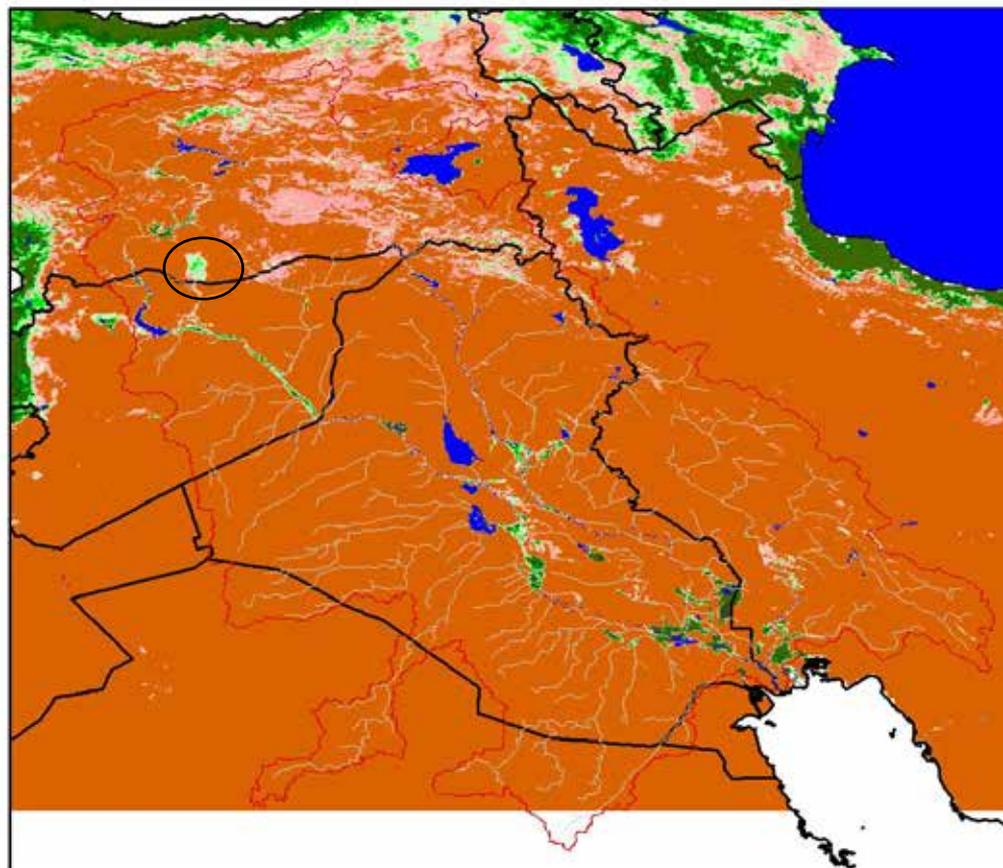
Gabriel Senay and Mike Budde

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Observation and Science (EROS) Center

Iraq Water Resources Assessment Training

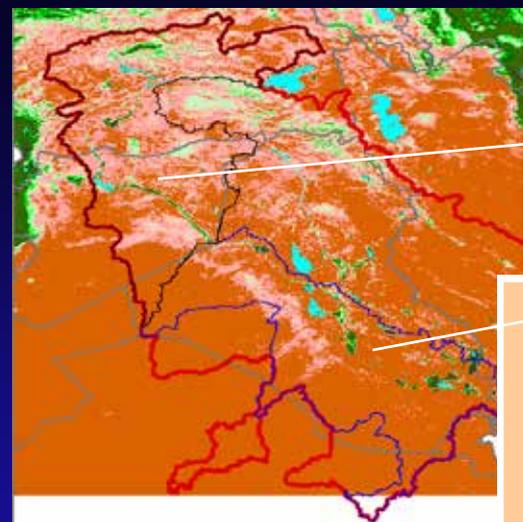
Amman, Jordan: Nov 9-20, 2008

2007 Seasonal ETa (mm) (SSEB Model: May-Sep)

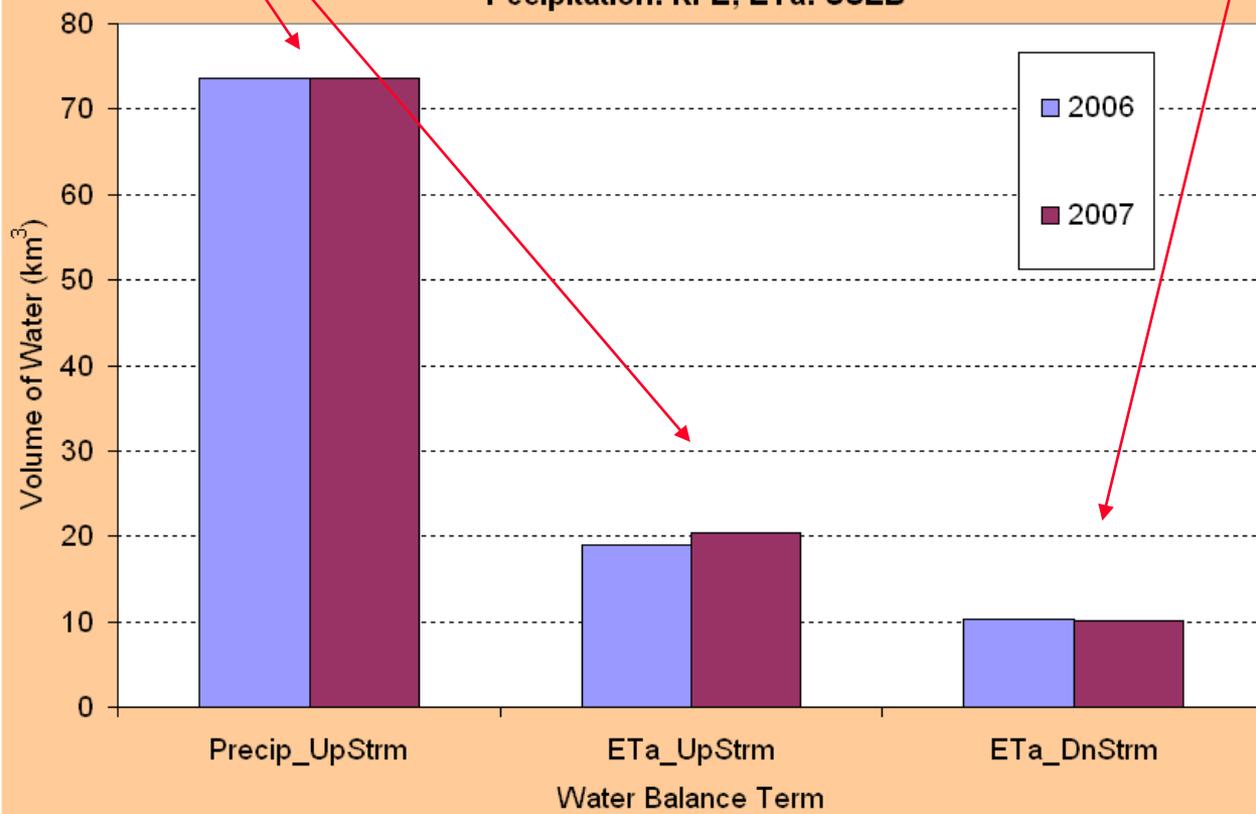


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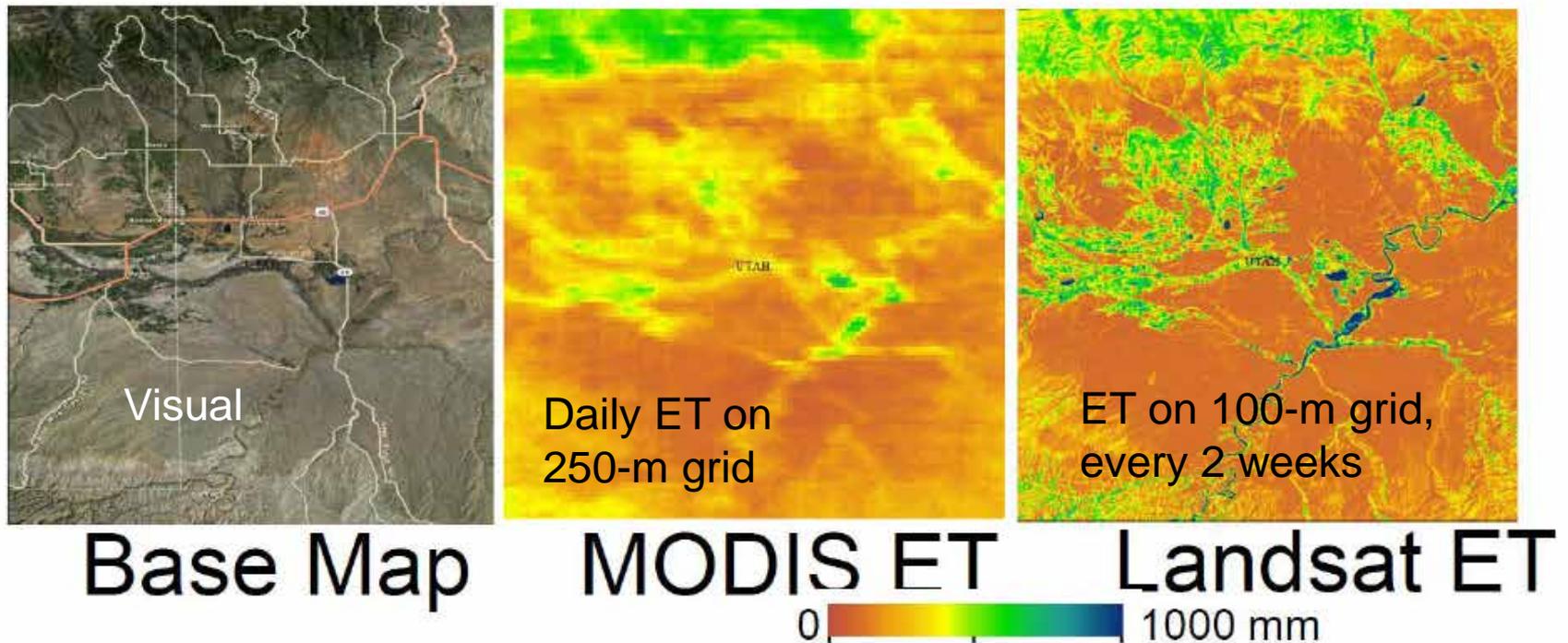


Euphrates "Basin": Estimates of Annual Water Balance Terms Upstream and Downstream of Syria/Iraq Border Precipitation: RFE; ETa: SSEB



The figure below show the spatial scale differences between Landsat and MODIS. Although MODIS cannot resolve ET use by individual irrigated fields, the basin-wide estimate is comparable to spatial aggregates derived from Landsat based ET.

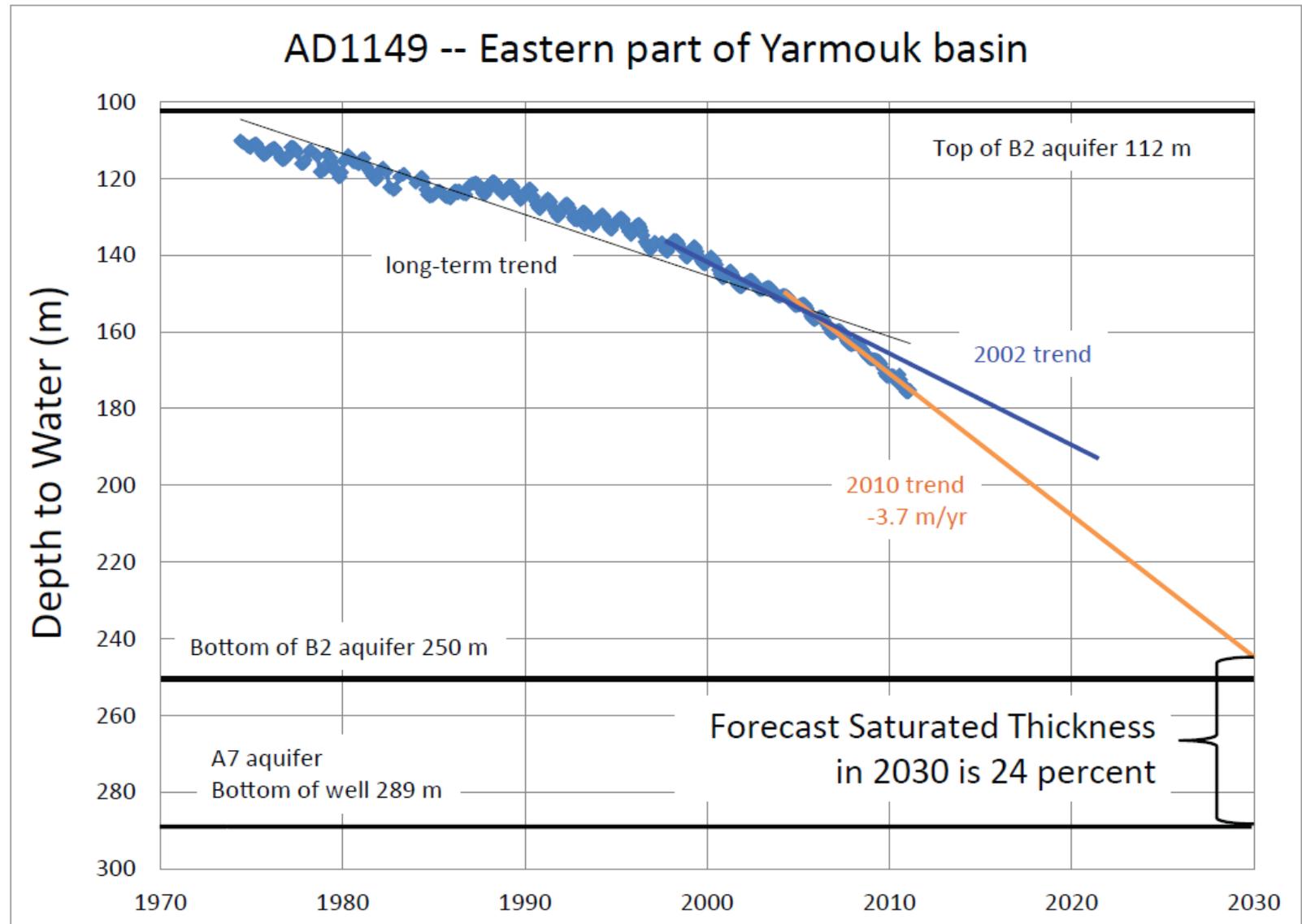
ET = EvapoTranspiration
Sum of evaporation and
transpiration by plants



Comparison of 2010 Annual ET for Duchesne,

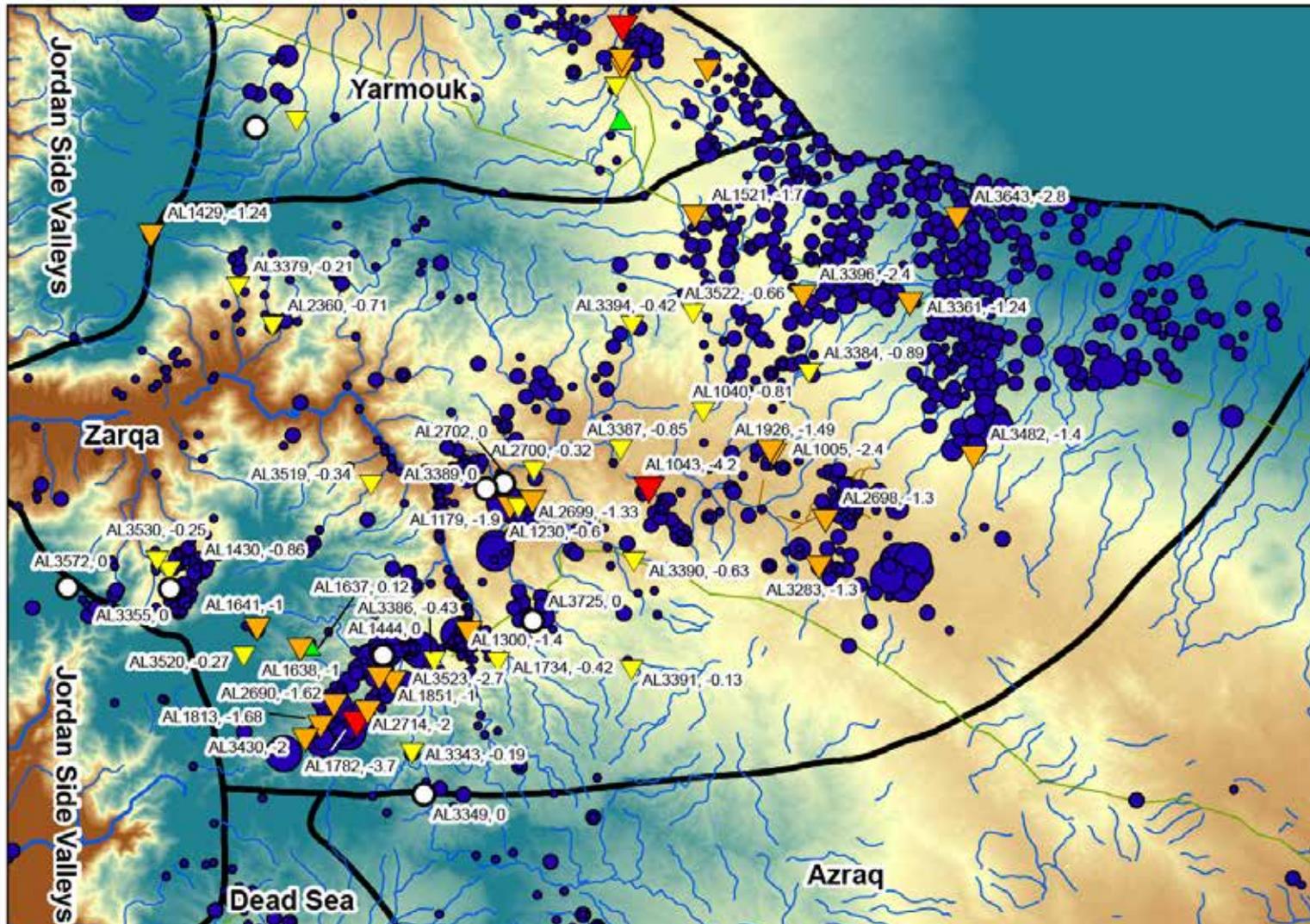
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Scarcity: Trends in Aquifers



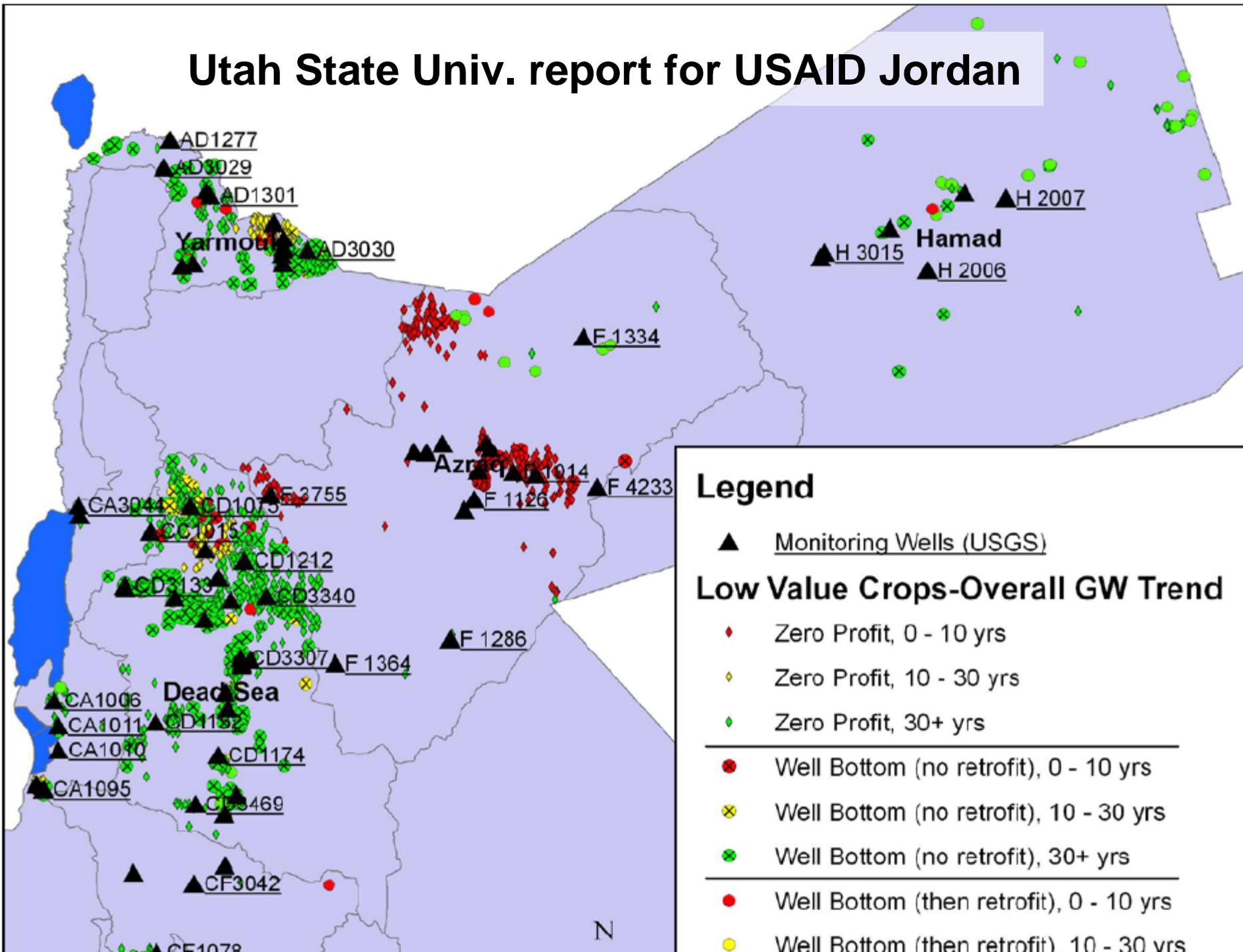
Amman-Zarqa basin

Average trend= -1.1 meters per year



Groundwater Basin	# Wells	Groundwater Level Trend 2010 (m/yr)	
		Average	Maximum
Hammad	4	0	-0.2
Yarmouk	11	-1.1	-3.7
Jordan Side Valleys (Wadis)	9	-1.9	-9
Dead Sea	30	-0.8	-9
Amman-Zarqa	48	-1.1	-4.2
Azraq	15	-0.8	-2.3

Utah State Univ. report for USAID Jordan

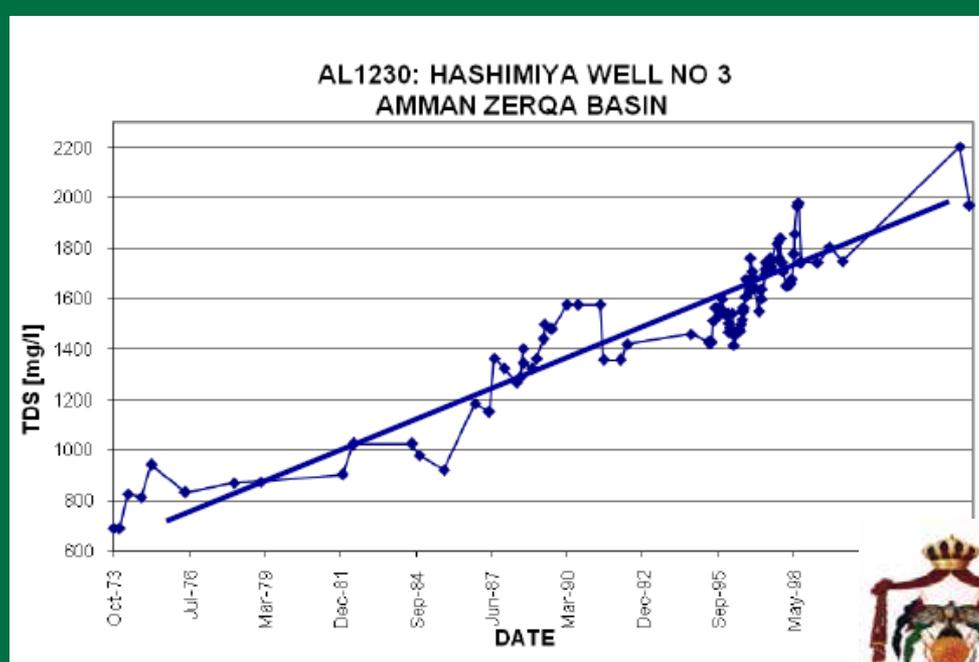


Context – Salinity

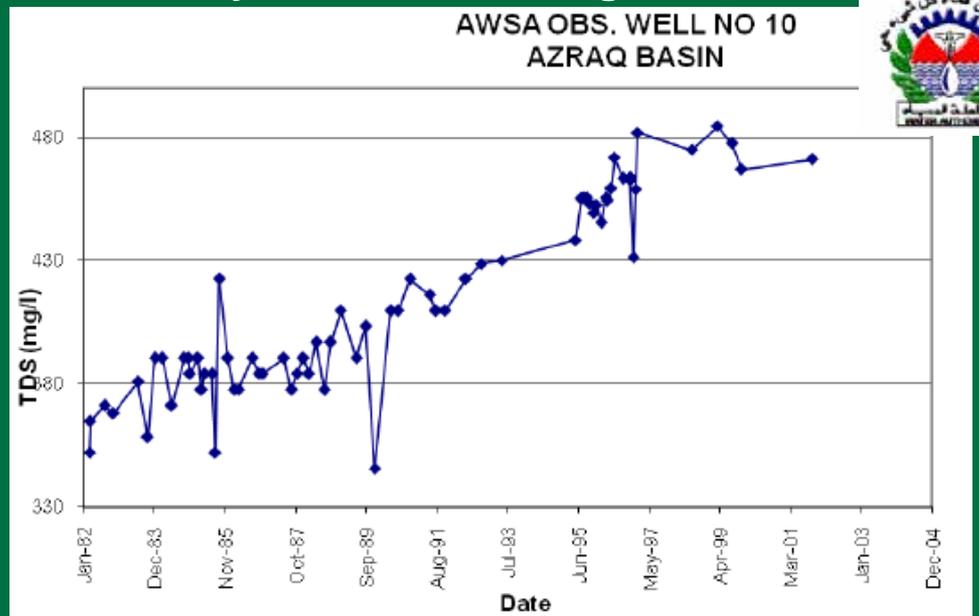
§ Wells show increasing salinity (as Total Dissolved Solids, or Electrical Conductivity, $TDS \approx 0.7 * EC$)

§ Salinity may force blending or treatment before use, or crop changes

§ Wells have been abandoned or 'rested' due to salinity

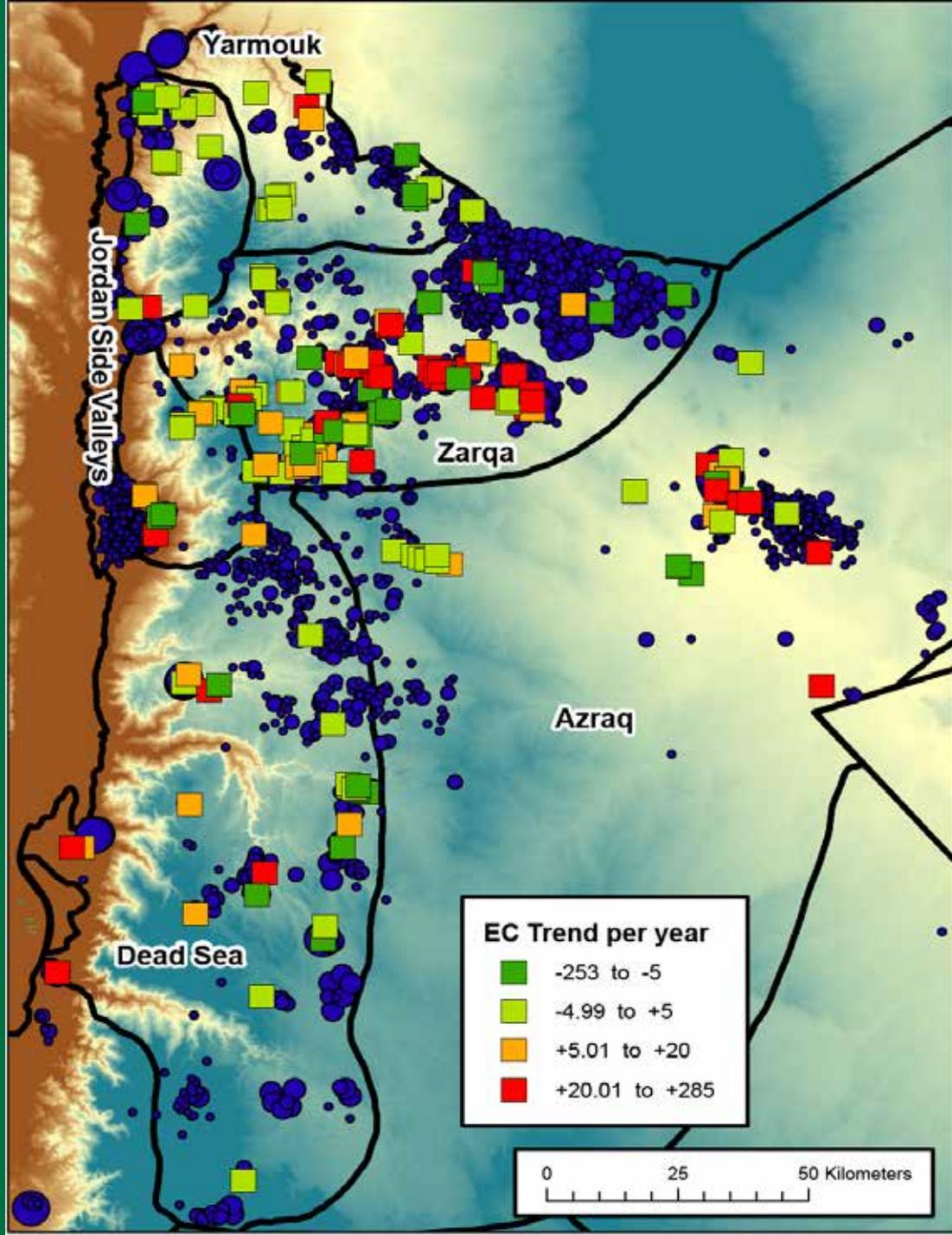


Ministry of Water and Irrigation, 2010



Salinity Trends – Not necessarily increasing when water level falls

- § Salinity generally not increasing rapidly in recharge areas, despite level declines
- § Salinity increasing rapidly in pumping centers in basin discharge areas
- § Hammad basin highest salinity and upward trend (not shown), but no trend in water level



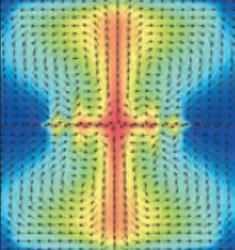
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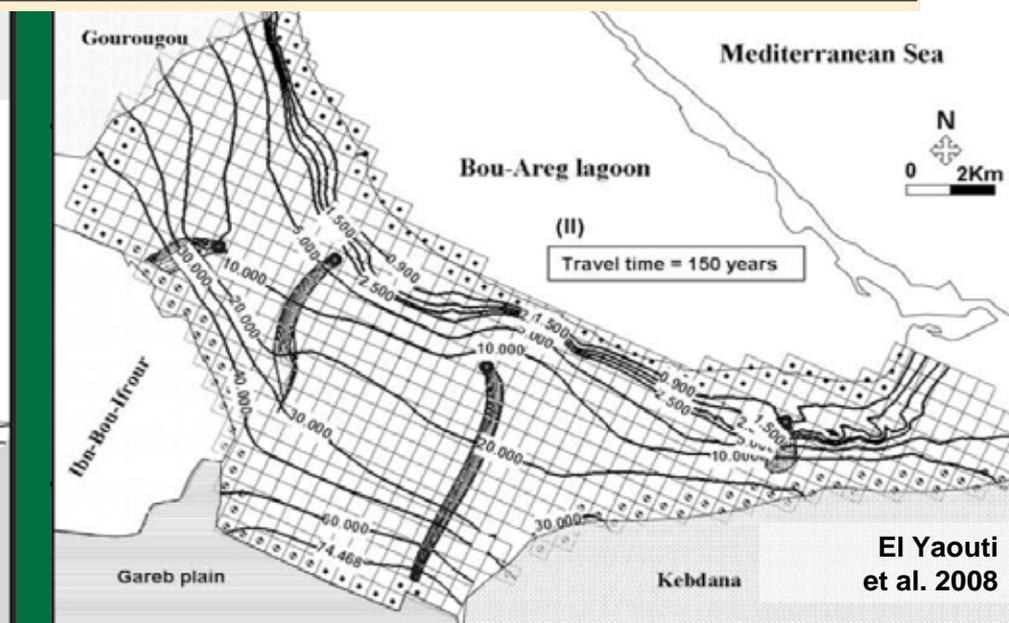
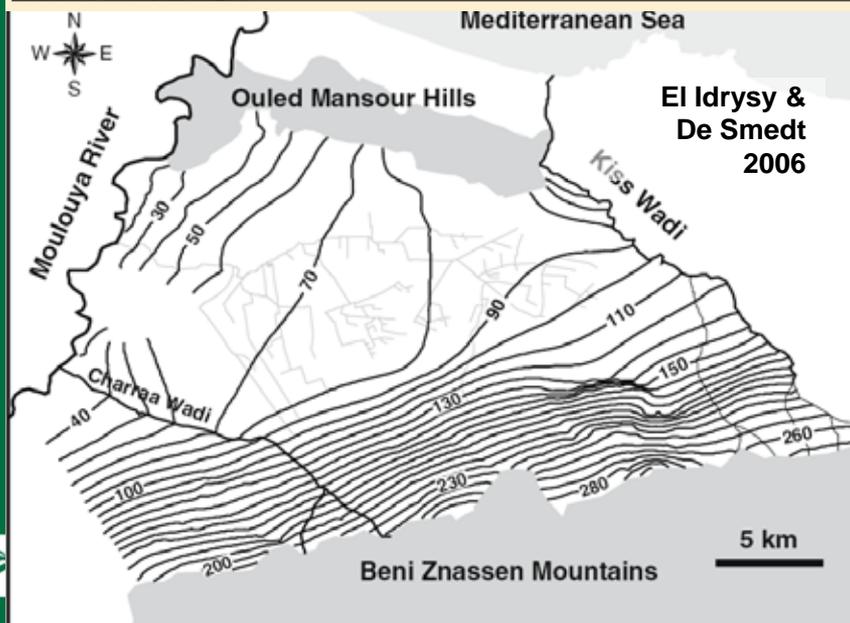
Groundwater-Level Trends and Forecasts, and Salinity Trends, in the Azraq, Dead Sea, Hammad, Jordan Side Valleys, Yarmouk, and Zarqa Groundwater Basins, Jordan

by D.J. Goode, L.A. Senior, Ali Subah*, and Ayman Jaber*
*Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, Ministry of Water and Irrigation

Models are multi-purpose tools for hydrologic analysis

Table 1. Applications of USGS groundwater modeling software range from support of management decisions to cutting-edge research.

Evaluation of water-management alternatives ¹	Demonstration of general hydrologic principles ³
 <p>Effects of groundwater withdrawals on water levels and native vegetation</p> <p>Conjunctive management of groundwater and surface-water resources</p> <p>Management responses to saltwater intrusion</p>	 <p>Effects of groundwater withdrawals on discharge to streams and springs</p> <p>Importance of transient groundwater response times in long-term planning</p> <p>Importance of post-auditing and updating groundwater models</p>
Hydrogeologic and geochemical characterization ²	Basic research ⁴
 <p>Evaluation of changes to the water budget of an aquifer resulting from changes in land use, withdrawals, and climate</p> <p>Use of environmental tracers to estimate groundwater age and identify sources of recharge</p>	 <p>Development and testing of new modeling techniques</p> <p>Study of the role of groundwater flow and chemistry in geologic processes</p>



USGS develops open-source groundwater modeling software [water.usgs.gov/software]

MODFLOW: 3D Finite-Difference Groundwater Flow Model

[Status of MODFLOW Versions and MODFLOW-Related Programs Available on USGS Web Pages](#) (January, 2011)

To view PDF documents, you may need the [PDF reader](#) or other compatible software.

[MODFLOW-2005](#) Version: 1.11.00 (Aug. 8, 2013) 

[MODFLOW-LGR](#) Version: 2.0.0 (Sept. 19, 2013) 

[MODFLOW-NWT](#) Version: 1.0.8 (Sept. 26, 2013) 

[MODFLOW-USG](#) Version: 1.0 (May 3, 2013)

(MODFLOW-2000 can be found under the banner "[Legacy and Superseded Software](#)")

Related Programs for Simulation of Hydrologic Processes, Model Calibration, and Groundwater Management

[CFP](#) Version 1.8 Feb 23, 2011

Conduit Flow Process for MODFLOW 2005

[GEN LHS and MCDRIVER LHS](#) Version 1.0,0 Aug. 27, 2011

Programs for calibration-based Monte Carlo simulation of recharge areas

[GSFLOW](#) Version: 1.1.6 (Posted Mar. 28, 2012)

Coupled Groundwater and Surface-water FLOW model based on the USGS Precipitation-Runoff Modeling System (PRMS) and Modular Groundwater

[GWM-2000](#) Version 1.1.4 [May 31, 2011] and [GWM-2005](#) Version 1.5.0 [Sept. 24, 2013] 

Capability for groundwater management using optimization techniques with either MODFLOW-2000 or MODFLOW-2005

[MF2K-FMP](#) (Win) Version 1.00, (May 19, 2006) and [MF2005-FMP2](#) (Win) Version 1.0.00, (Oct. 28, 2009)

Estimate dynamically integrated supply-and-demand components of irrigated agriculture as part of the simulation of surface-water and groundwater flow.

[MF2K-GWT](#) Version 1.9.8 and [MOC3D](#) Version 3.52, (Oct. 22, 2008)

Version of MODFLOW-2000 with Groundwater Transport Process to simulate concentration changes

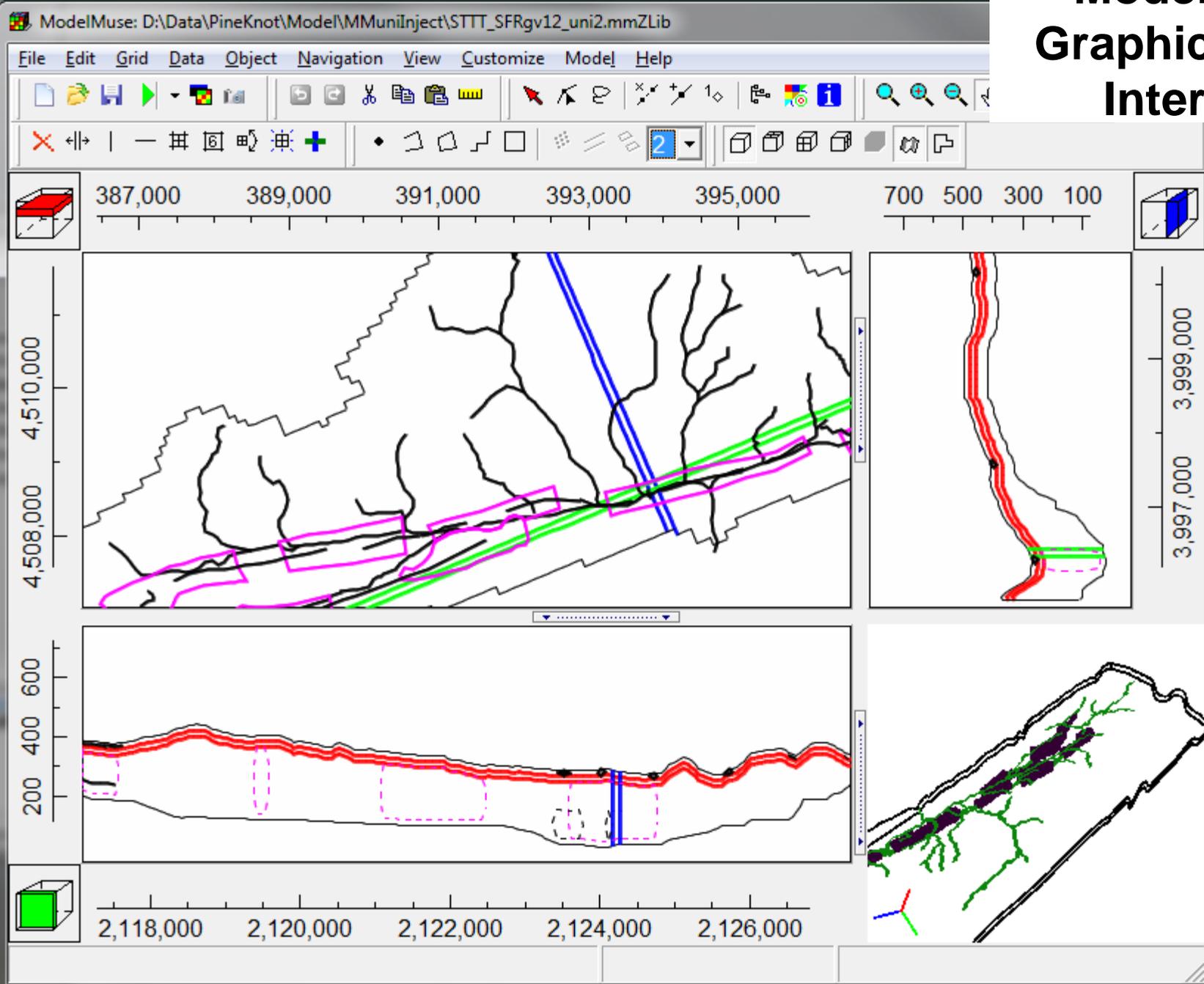
[MODBRNCH](#) Version: 3.7 (Jun 5 1997)

Groundwater/Surface-Water Coupled Flow Model using USGS MODFLOW and BRANCH Models

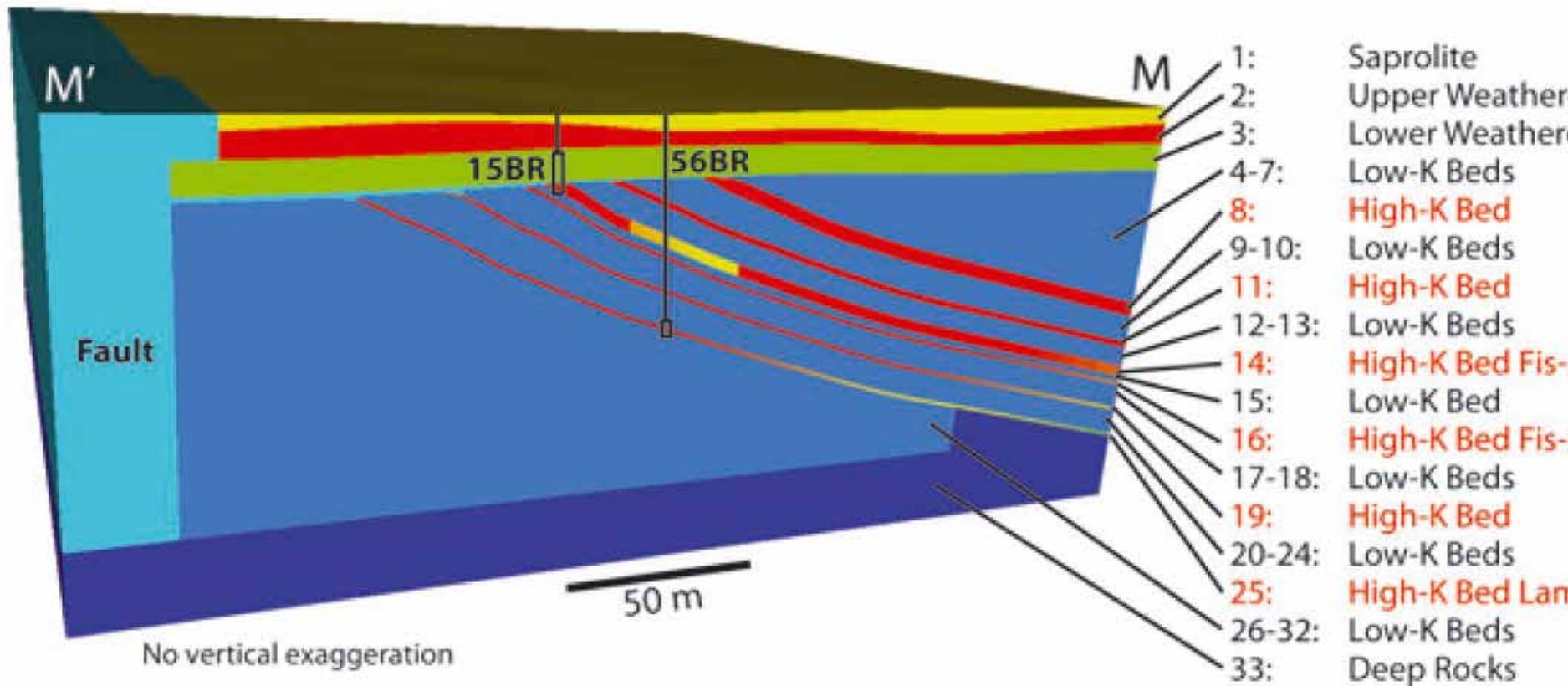
[MODOPTIM](#) Version 1.0 (May 5, 2006)

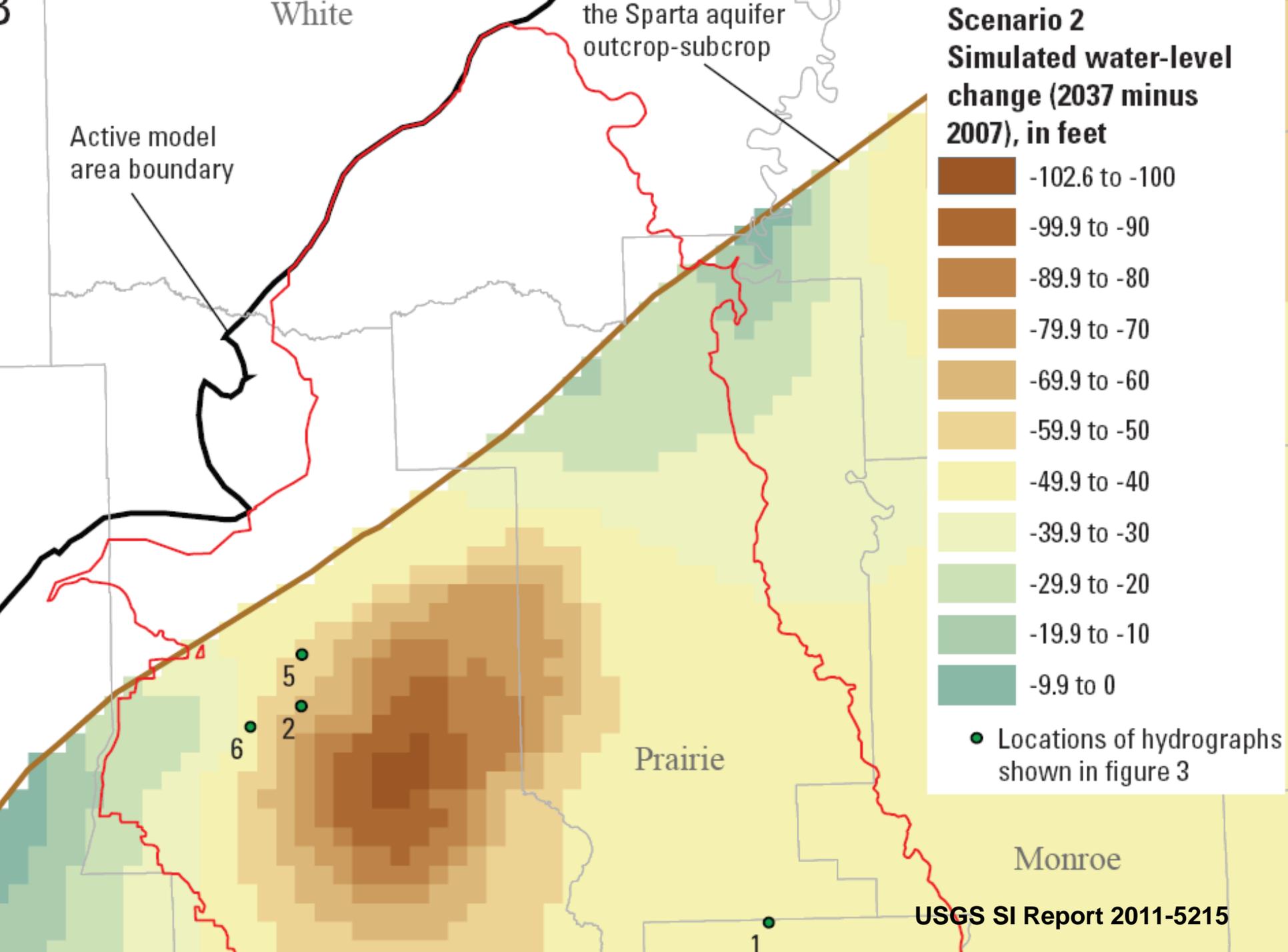
A general optimization program for aquifer-test analysis, groundwater flow model calibration, and groundwater management with MODFLOW.

ModelMuse Graphical User Interface



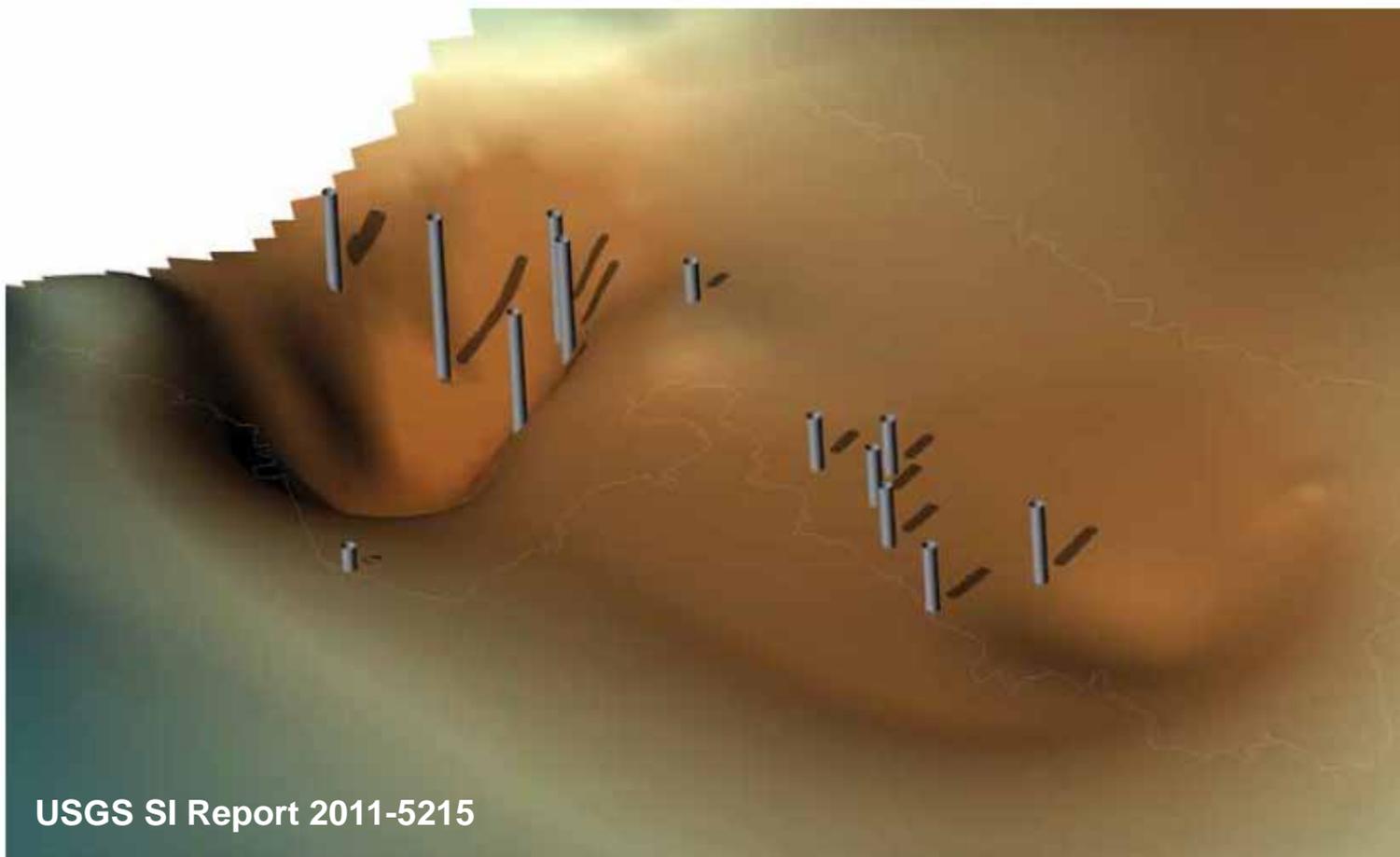
3D Geology controls Site-scale Flow

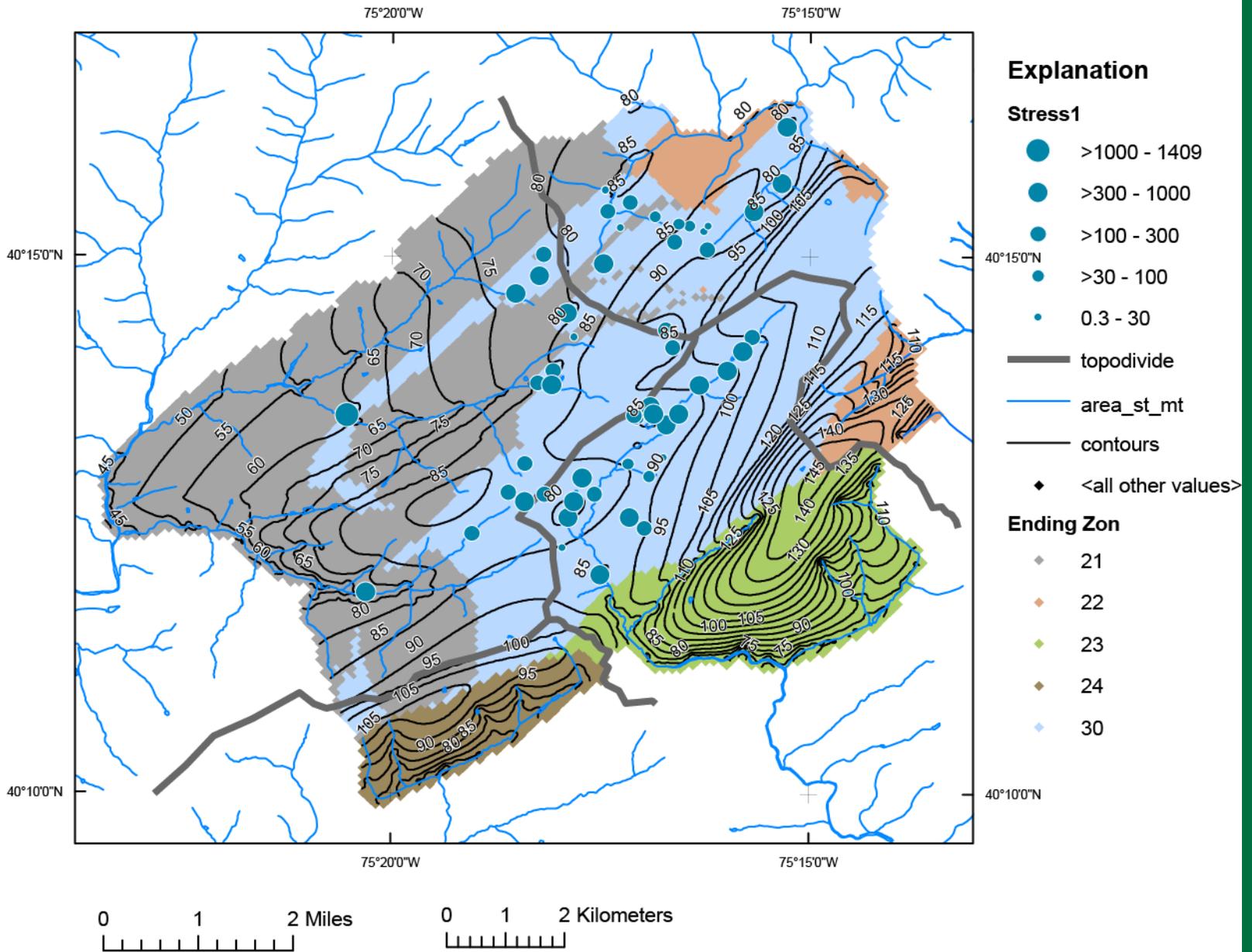




Prepared in cooperation with the Arkansas Natural Resources Commission

Simulation of the Effects of Groundwater Withdrawals on Water-Level Altitudes in the Sparta Aquifer in the Bayou Meto-Grand Prairie Area of Eastern Arkansas, 2007–37





**Uncertain Parameters –
Frequency of simulations w/
model cell in capture zone**

**USGS SI Report
2013-5045**

**Deterministic
w/ Optimum
Parameters**

25-50%

5-25%

75-100%

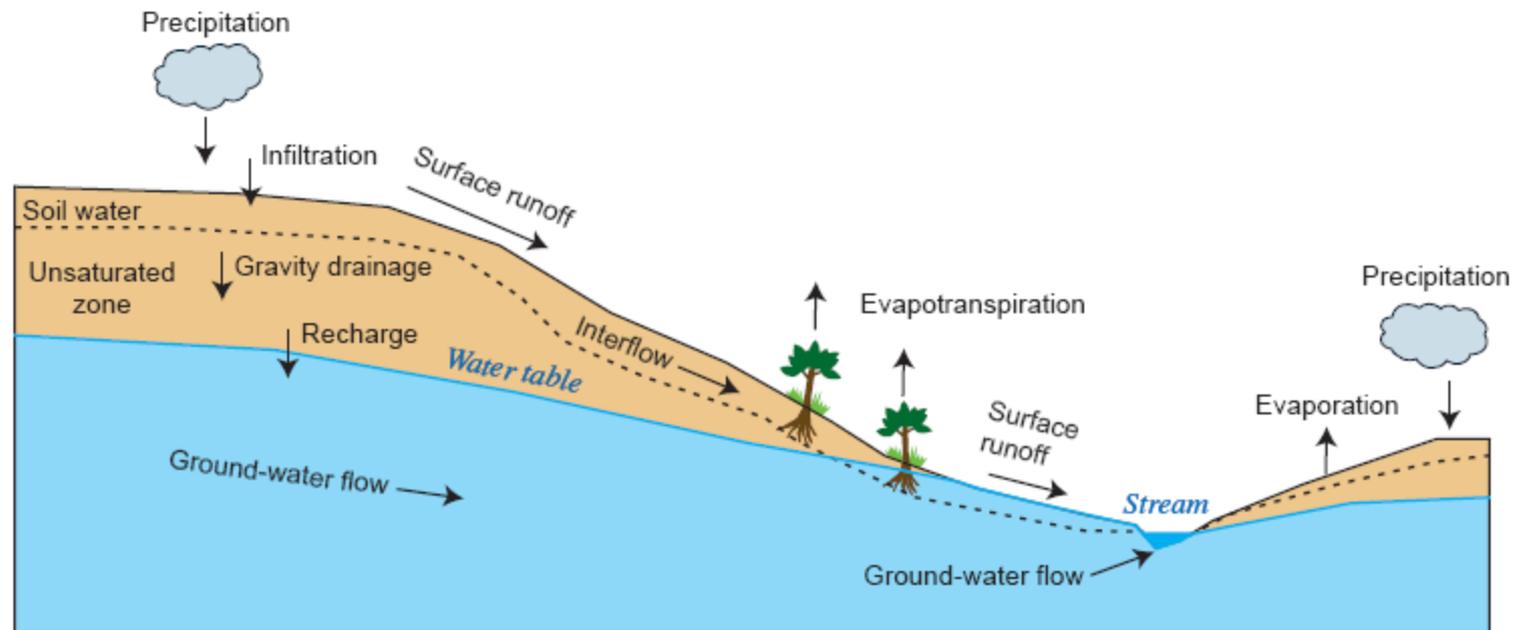
50-75%

**Area of Recharge that Discharges to
Pumping Well, with Uncertainty (for EPA)**

GSFLOW—Coupled Ground-Water and Surface-Water Flow Model Based on the Integration of the Precipitation-Runoff Modeling System (PRMS) and the Modular Ground-Water Flow Model (MODFLOW-2005)

Chapter 1 of

Section D, Ground-Water/Surface-Water Book 6, Modeling Techniques



USGS MODLOW with the FARM PROCESS—Features and Capabilities

Farm Demand for Irrigation

Non-Routed Deliveries as Water Transfers

Routed Surface-Water Delivery to Farm

Groundwater Pumpage by Well

**Streamflow Conveyance and
Drain Network**

Natural and Artificial Recharge

Water-Use Management

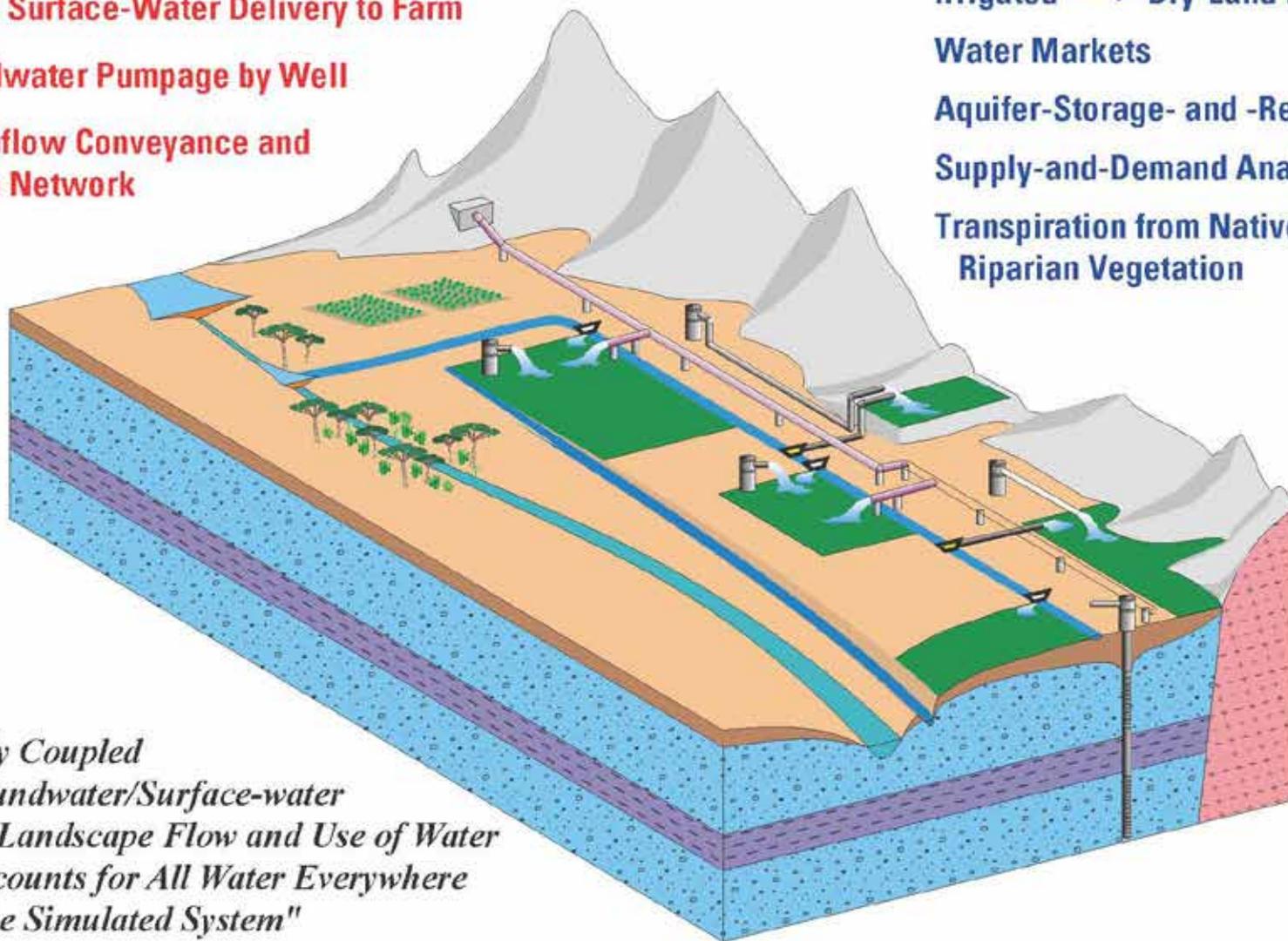
Irrigated → Dry-Land Farming

Water Markets

Aquifer-Storage- and -Recovery Systems

Supply-and-Demand Analysis

**Transpiration from Native and
Riparian Vegetation**



*Fully Coupled
Groundwater/Surface-water
and Landscape Flow and Use of Water
"Accounts for All Water Everywhere
in the Simulated System"*

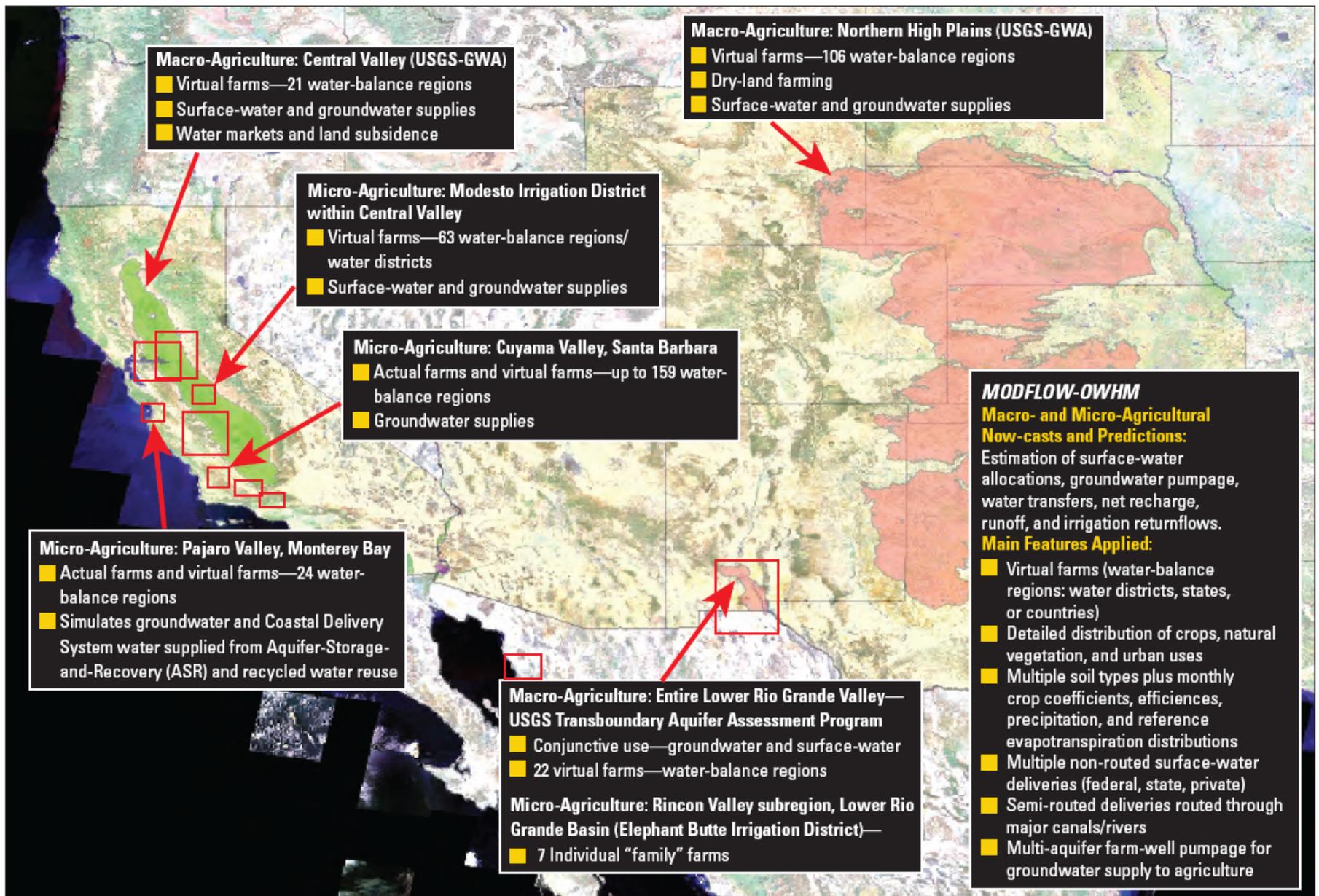


Figure 2. U.S. Geological Survey applications of MODFLOW One-Water Integrated Hydrologic Model in the United States.

Ideas for Groundwater Modeling with Morocco

- § Improve Understanding of Aquifer Dynamics
- § Identify Improvements needed in Monitoring Systems & Databases
- § Water Budgets
- § Forecast Groundwater-Level Declines (and Recovery) and Economic Impacts
- § Simulation of GW Management Scenarios
- § Link Land Surface with Groundwater (via recharge/discharge) – Climate Change

Ideas for Groundwater Modeling with Morocco

- § Use of Aquifers as Storage Reservoirs
- § Integrate MODFLOW with Water Allocation Models to Jointly Manage Groundwater and Surface Water (Dams)
- § Identification of Source Areas for Protection of Water Supply Infrastructure
- § Understand and Forecast Salinity Changes due to Groundwater-Level Declines, and Irrigation
- § Capacity Building!

Thank You!

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