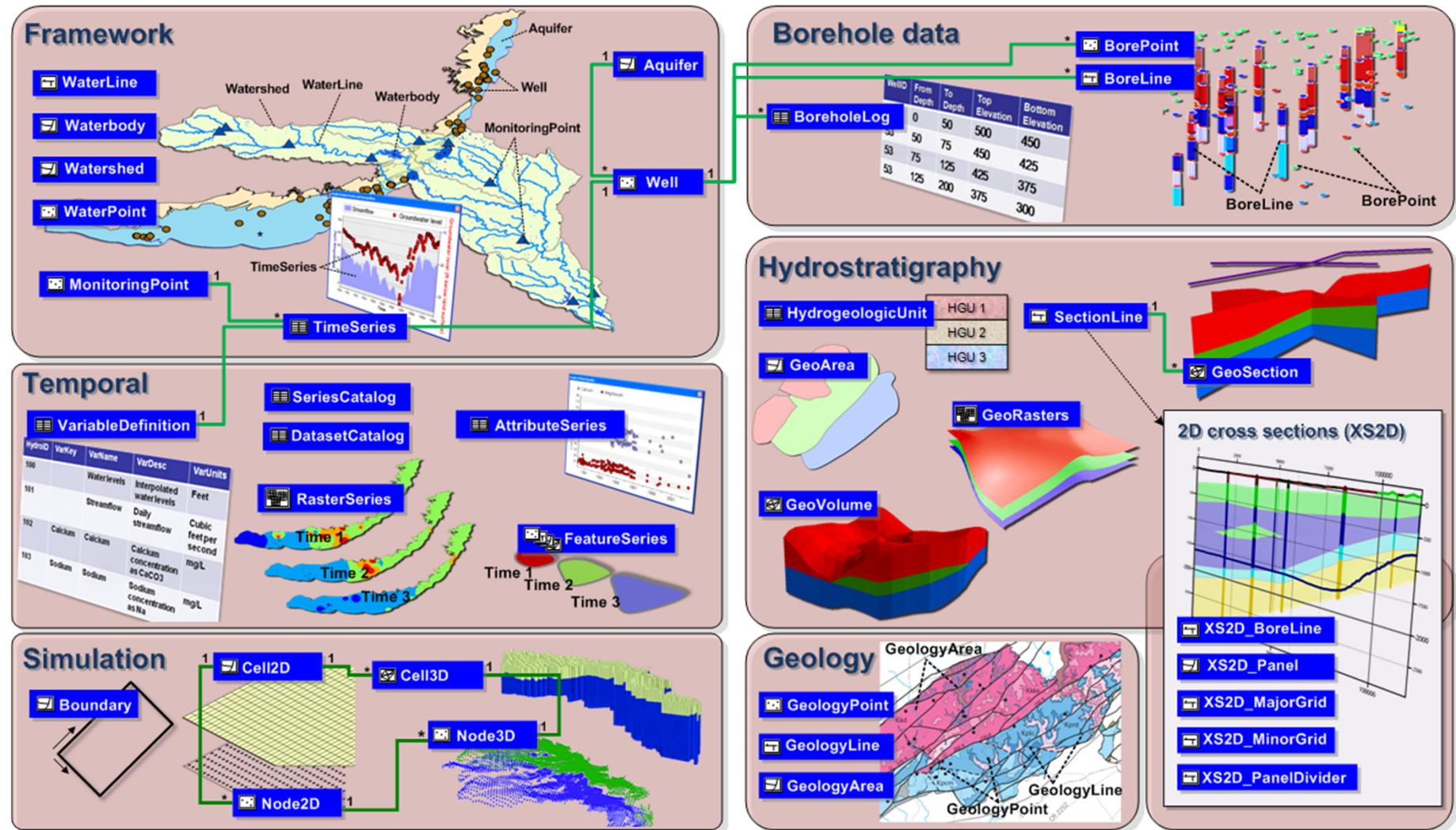


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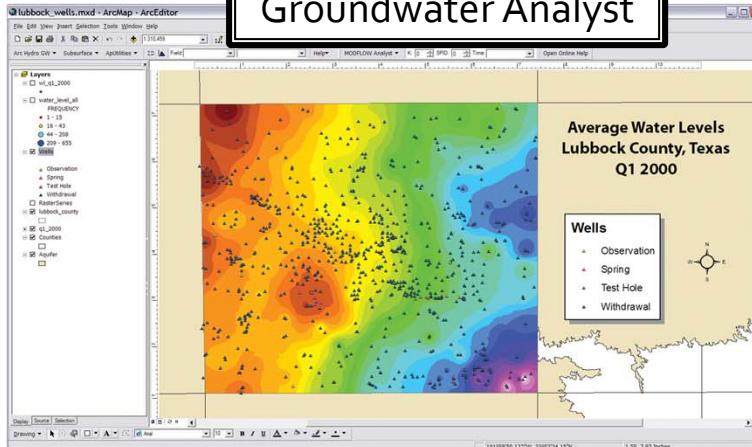
# **MODFLOW Simulations on the Cloud**

# Arc Hydro GW Data Model

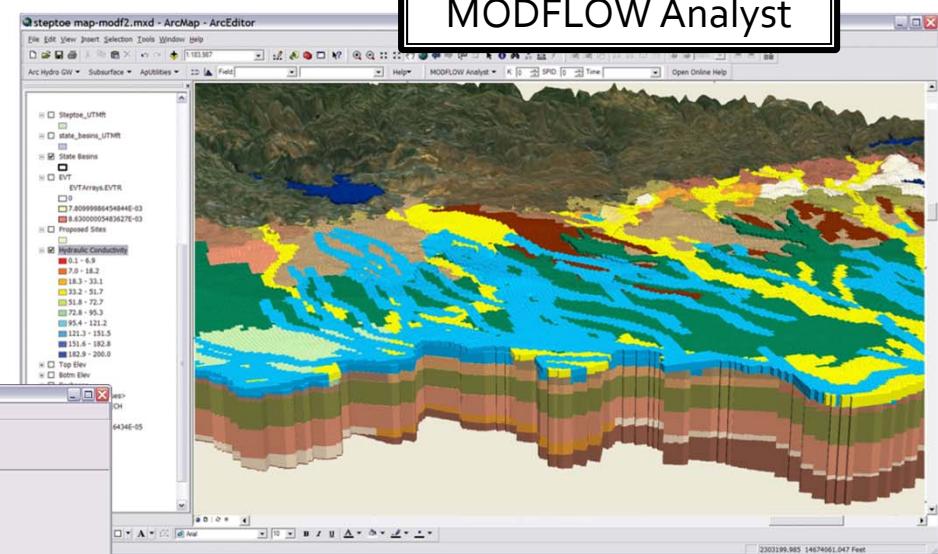


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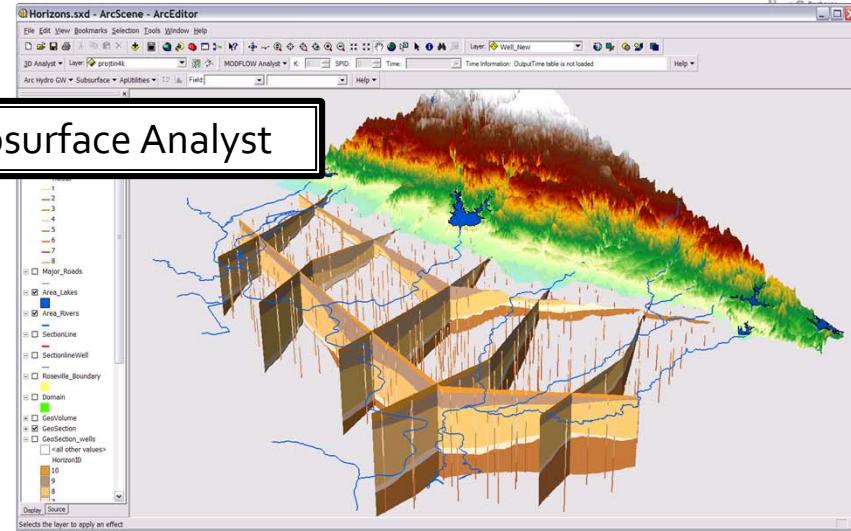
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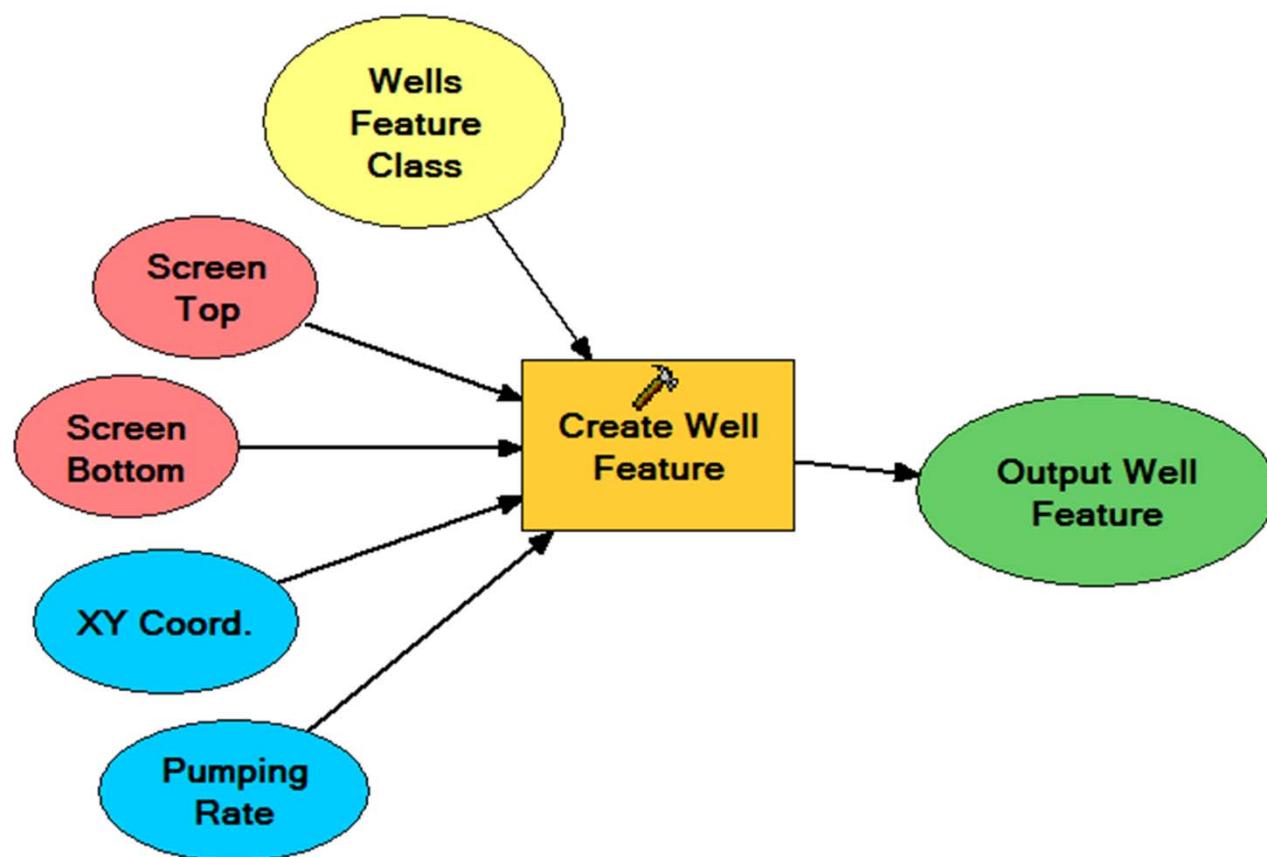
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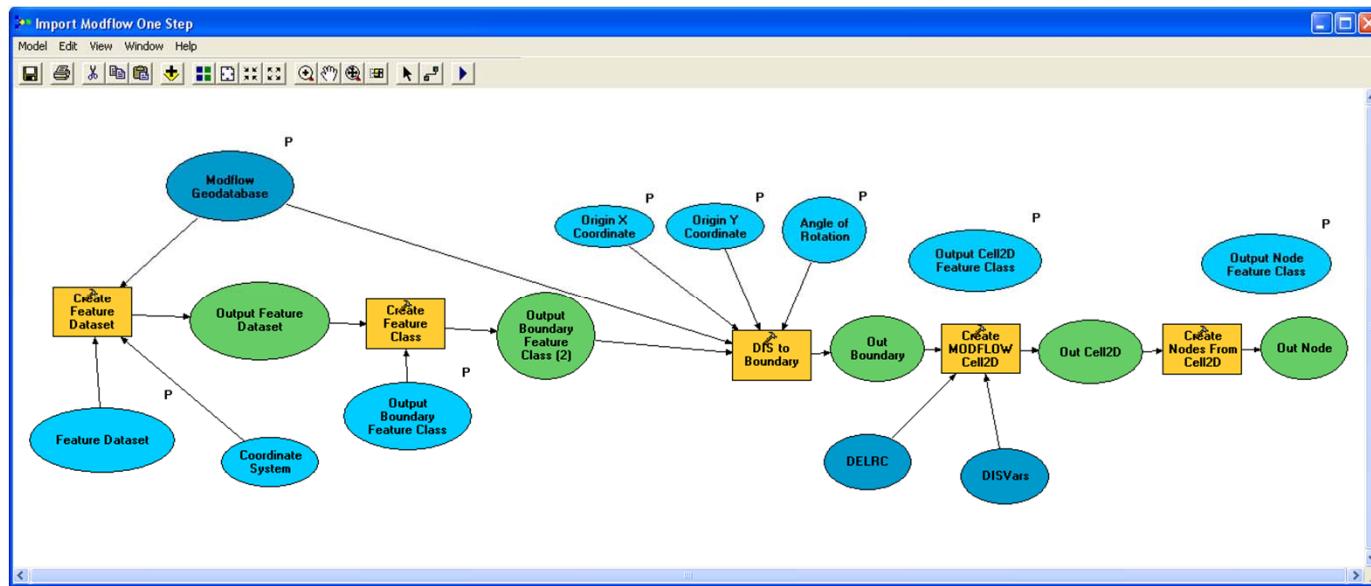


# Geoprocessing Tools



# Geoprocessing Tools - Workflows

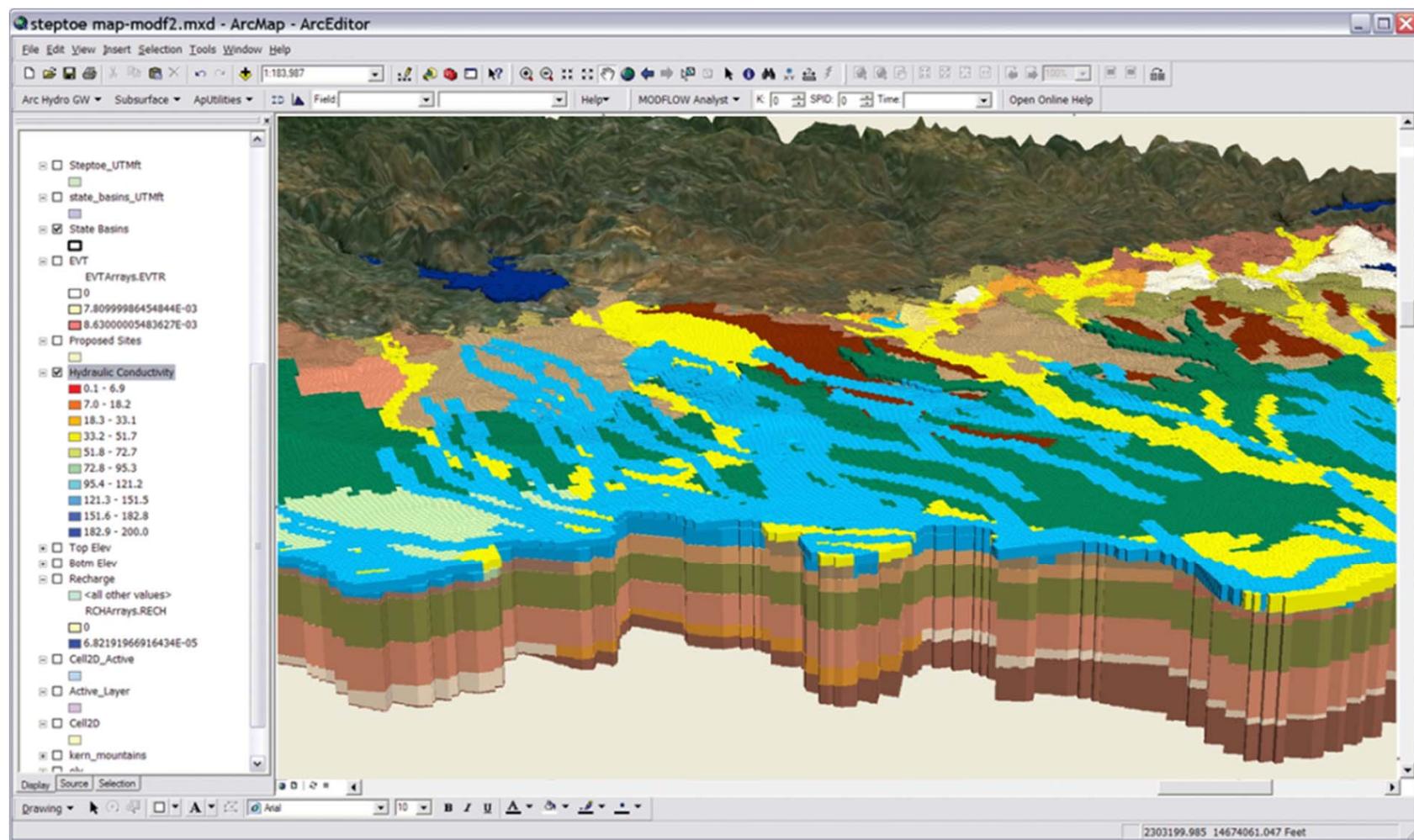
- GP tools enable the development of **workflows** as models or scripts
- **Extendable** – You can create your own workflows
- Leverage low-level tools to **create new tools**



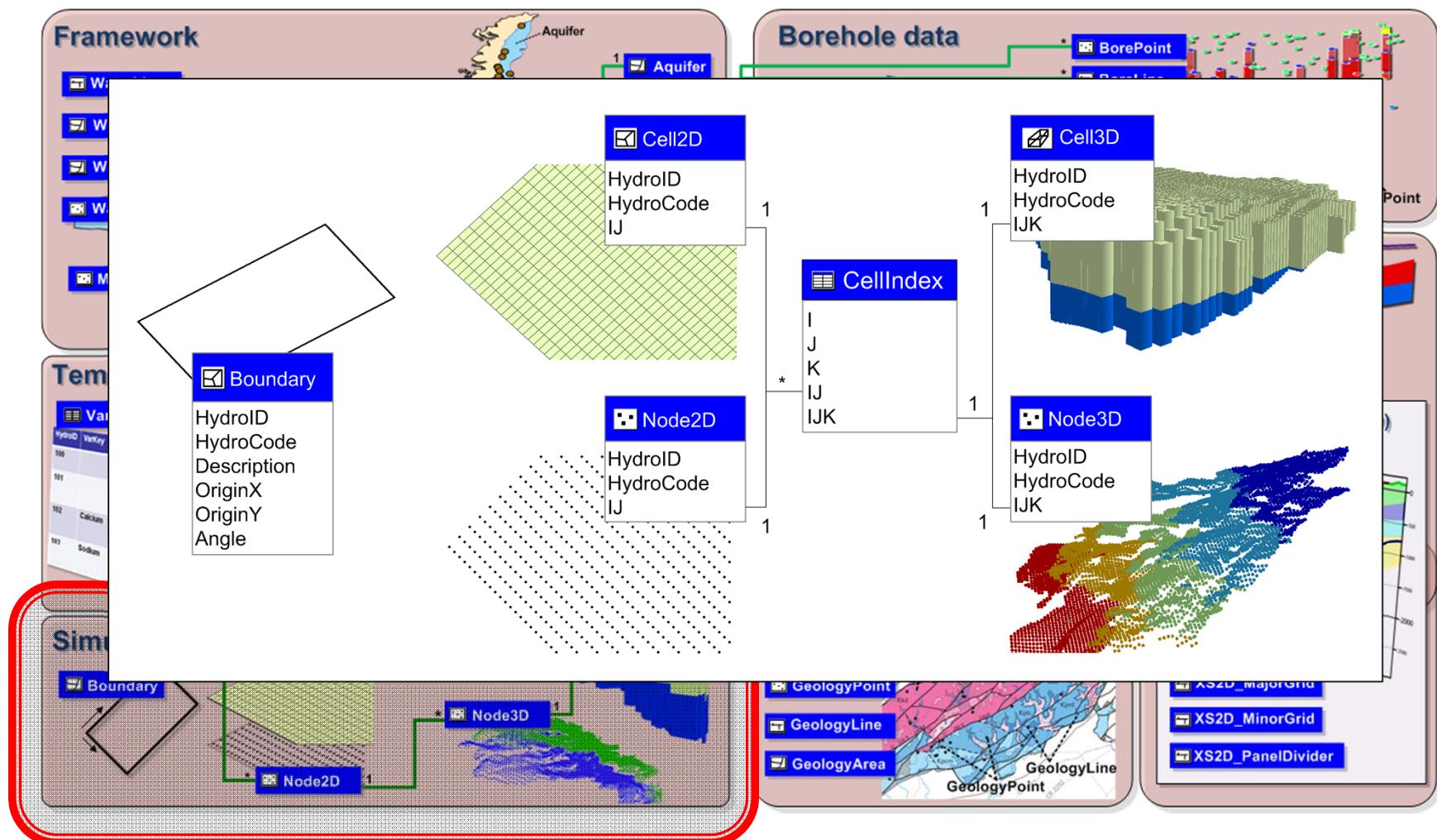
# Automated Well Impact Analysis

Scripting MODFLOW simulations

# MODFLOW



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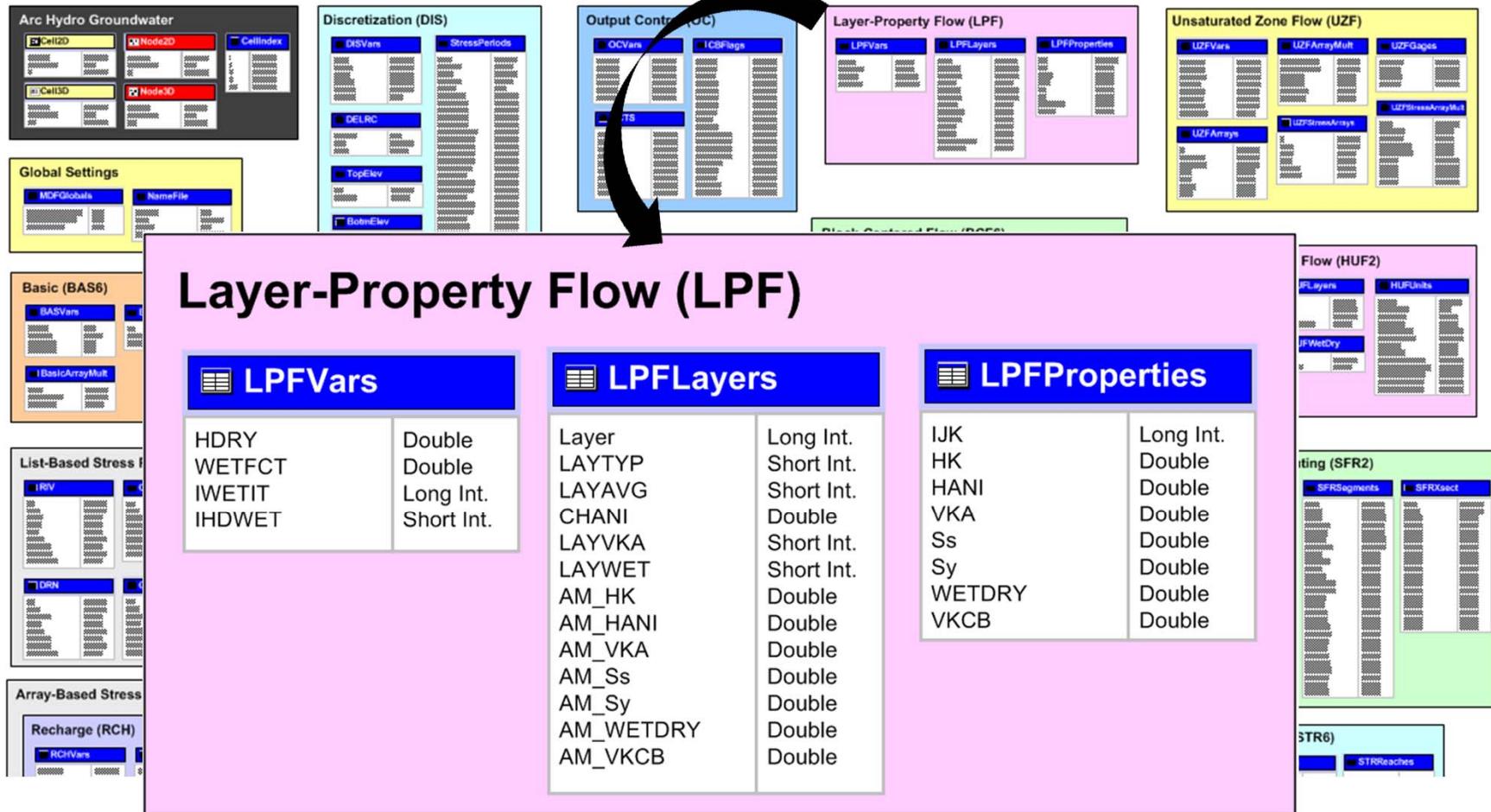


# MODFLOW Data Model

MODFLOW DATA MODEL v3.0

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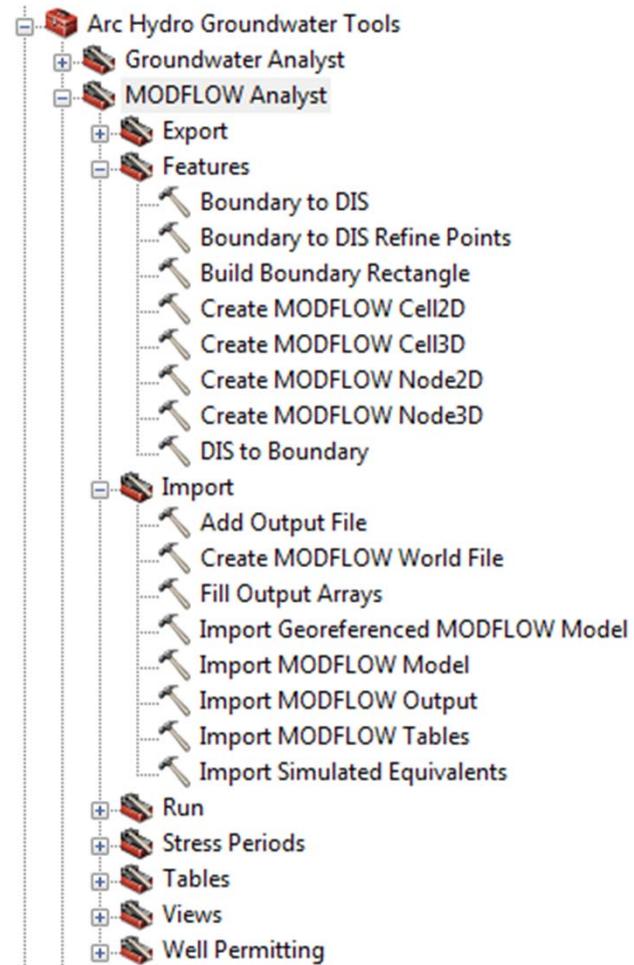
Last updated May 16, 2019



# MODFLOW Analyst Tools



- Developed as geoprocessing (GP) tools
- Classes of tools
  - Import
  - Export
  - Visualization/Map Layers
  - Model editing
  - Building package input
  - Working with transient input/solutions



# Import MODFLOW Model Tool

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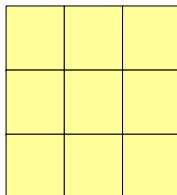
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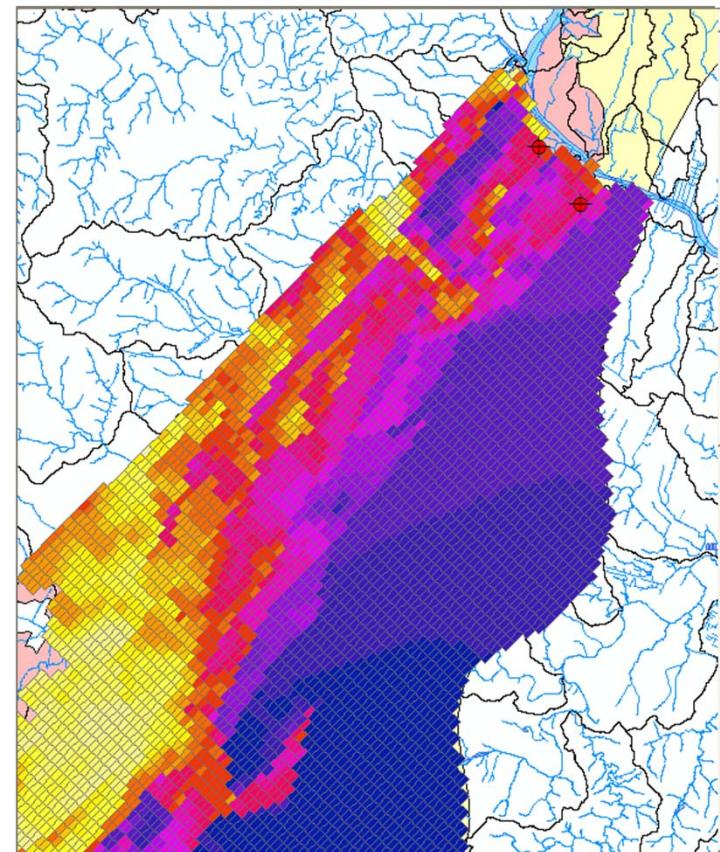
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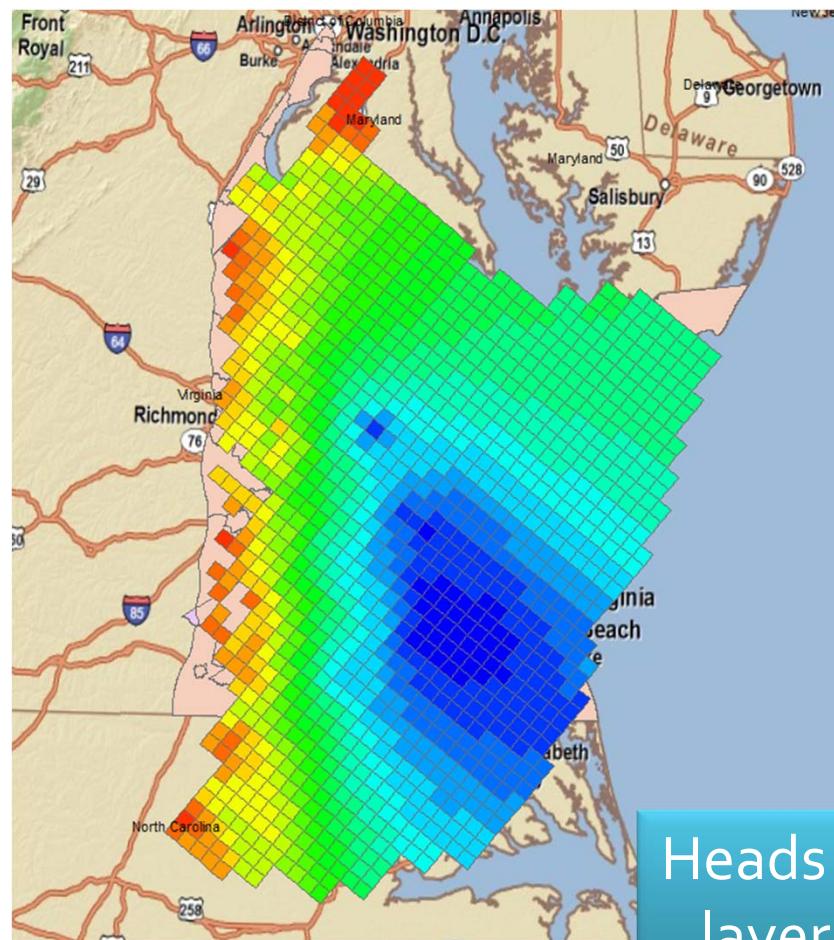
# Automated Well Permitting

- Calibrated regional model is imported to ArcGIS as a “baseline” model
- Candidate wells are added to baseline model using well package.
- Impact of new well is analyzed using MODFLOW and/or SEAWAT



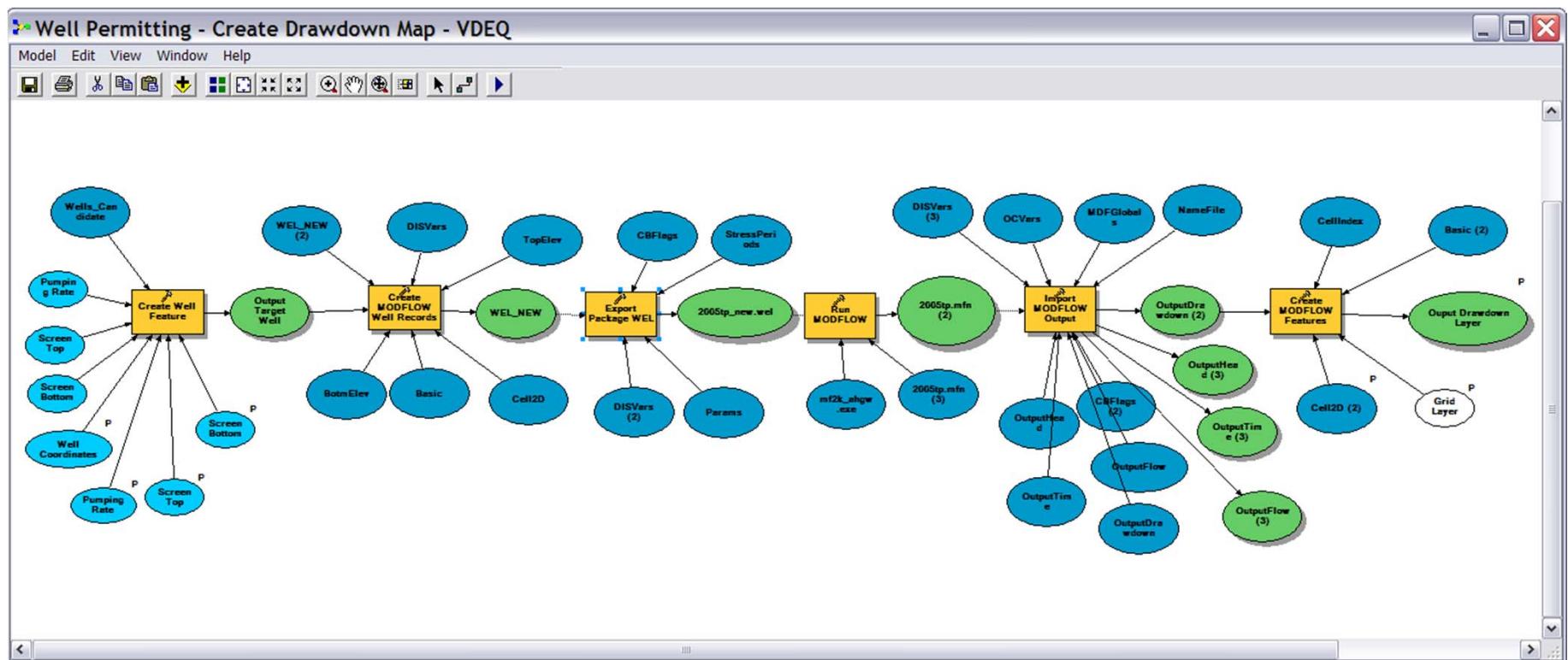
# Case Study #1 – Virginia DEQ

- Virginia Coastal Plain Model (VCPM)
- 10-layer MODFLOW model used to analyze impacts of candidate wells
- Criteria based on state law
  - Potentiometric surface cannot fall below a critical surface (80% drawdown)
  - Area of Impact defined by drawdown = 1 ft



Heads for  
layer 8

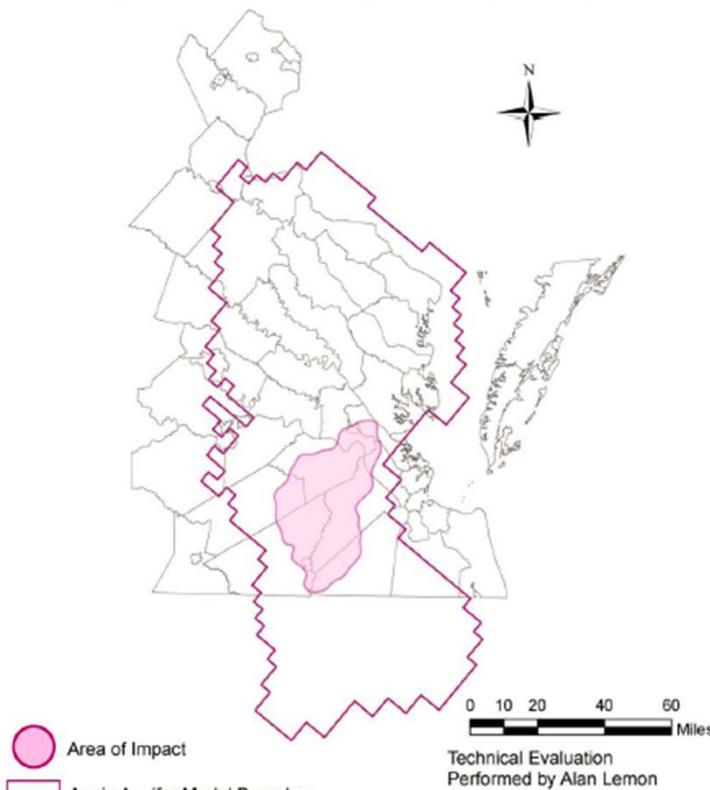
# Well Permitting Workflow



Create new well → update well table → export well package file → run MODFLOW → import solution → build drawdown map layer

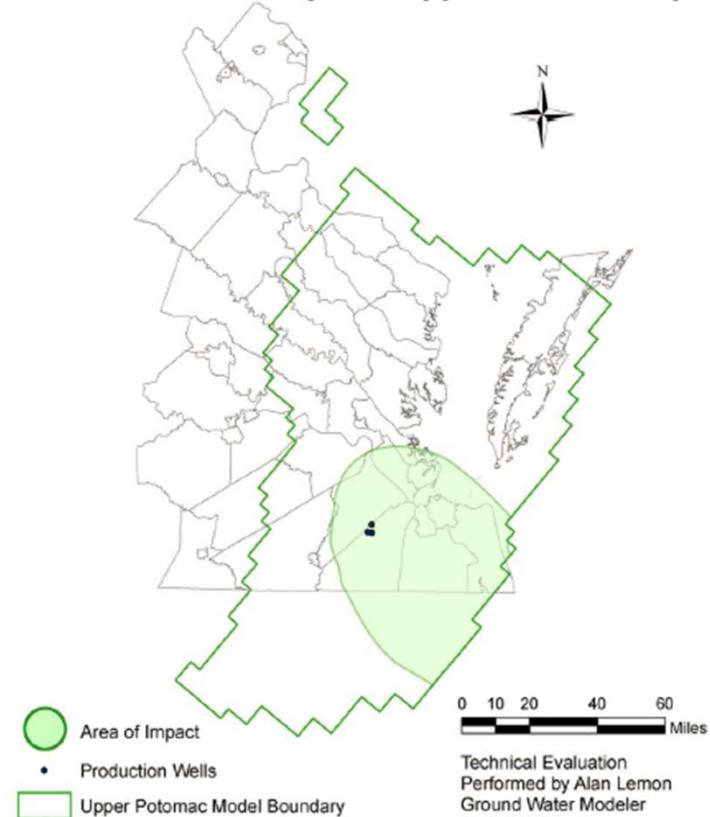
# GIS Products

**City of Norfolk  
Mitigation Area of Impact - Aquia Aquifer**



Simulated drawdown at or exceeding one foot in the Aquia aquifer resulting from an 15,940,000 gpd, 172 day duration, multi-aquifer withdrawal. The Virginia Coastal Plain Model developed in Modflow by the USGS was used to simulate drawdown.

**City of Norfolk  
Stabilized Area of Impact - Upper Potomac Aquifer**

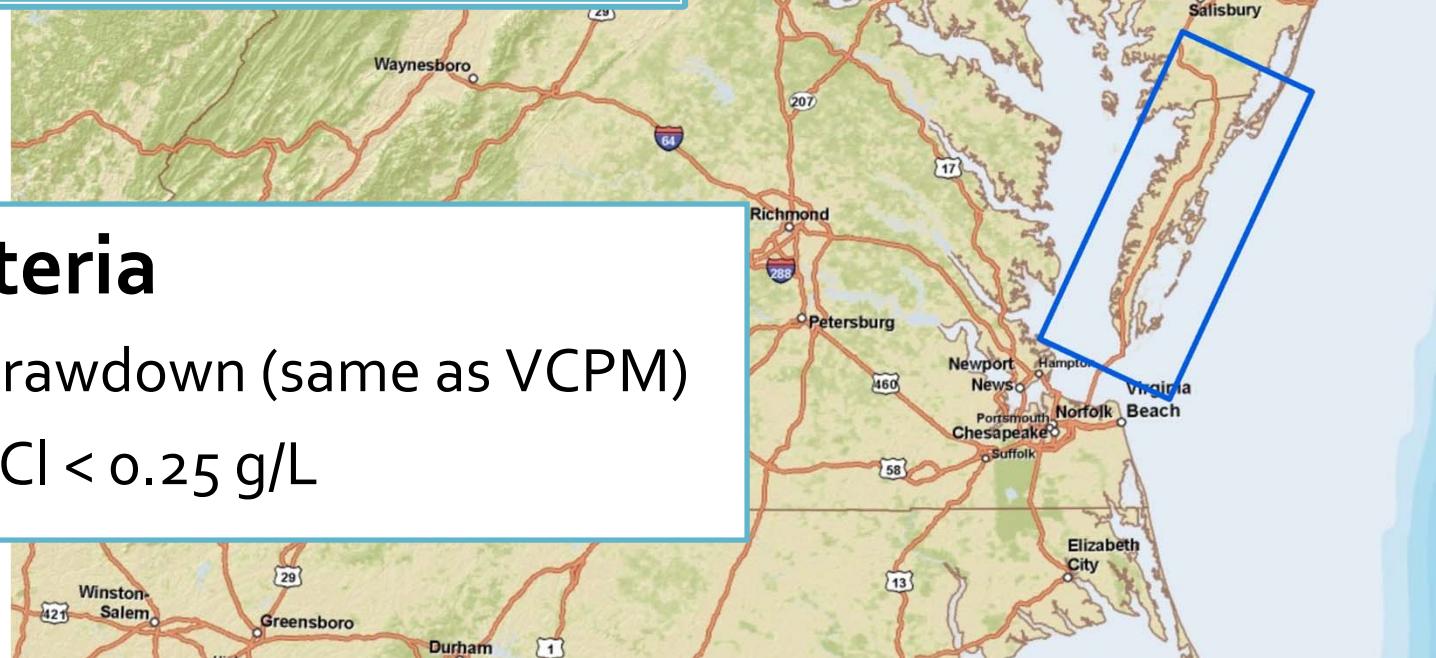


Simulated drawdown at or exceeding one foot in the Upper Potomac aquifer resulting from a 790,000 gpd, steady-state, multi-aquifer withdrawal. The Virginia Coastal Plain Model developed in Modflow by the USGS was used to simulate drawdown.



# Eastern Shore Model

- SEAWAT model (USGS – 2009)
- Grid:  $370 \times 107 \times 46$
- 7 hydrogeologic units
- 50 year simulation

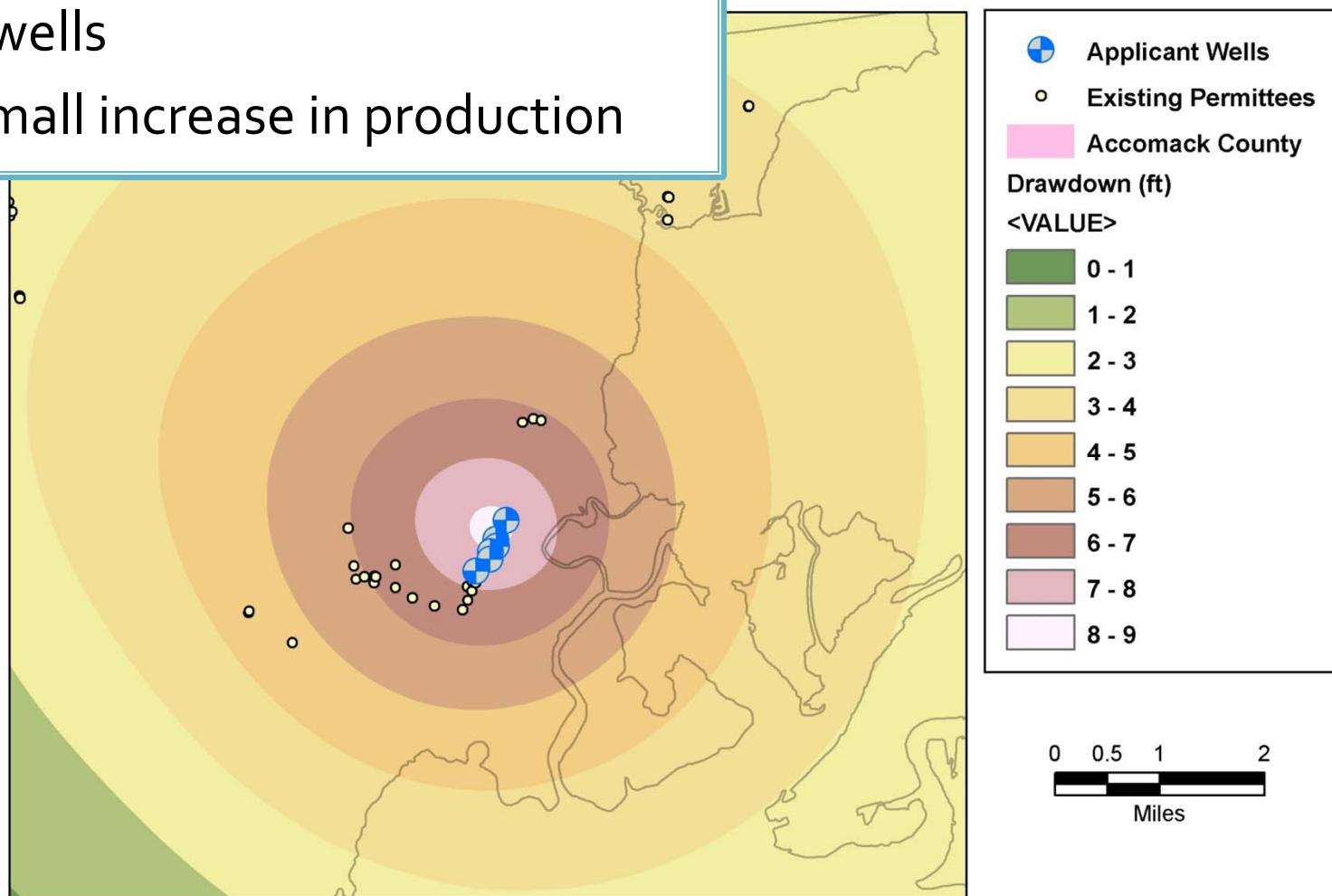


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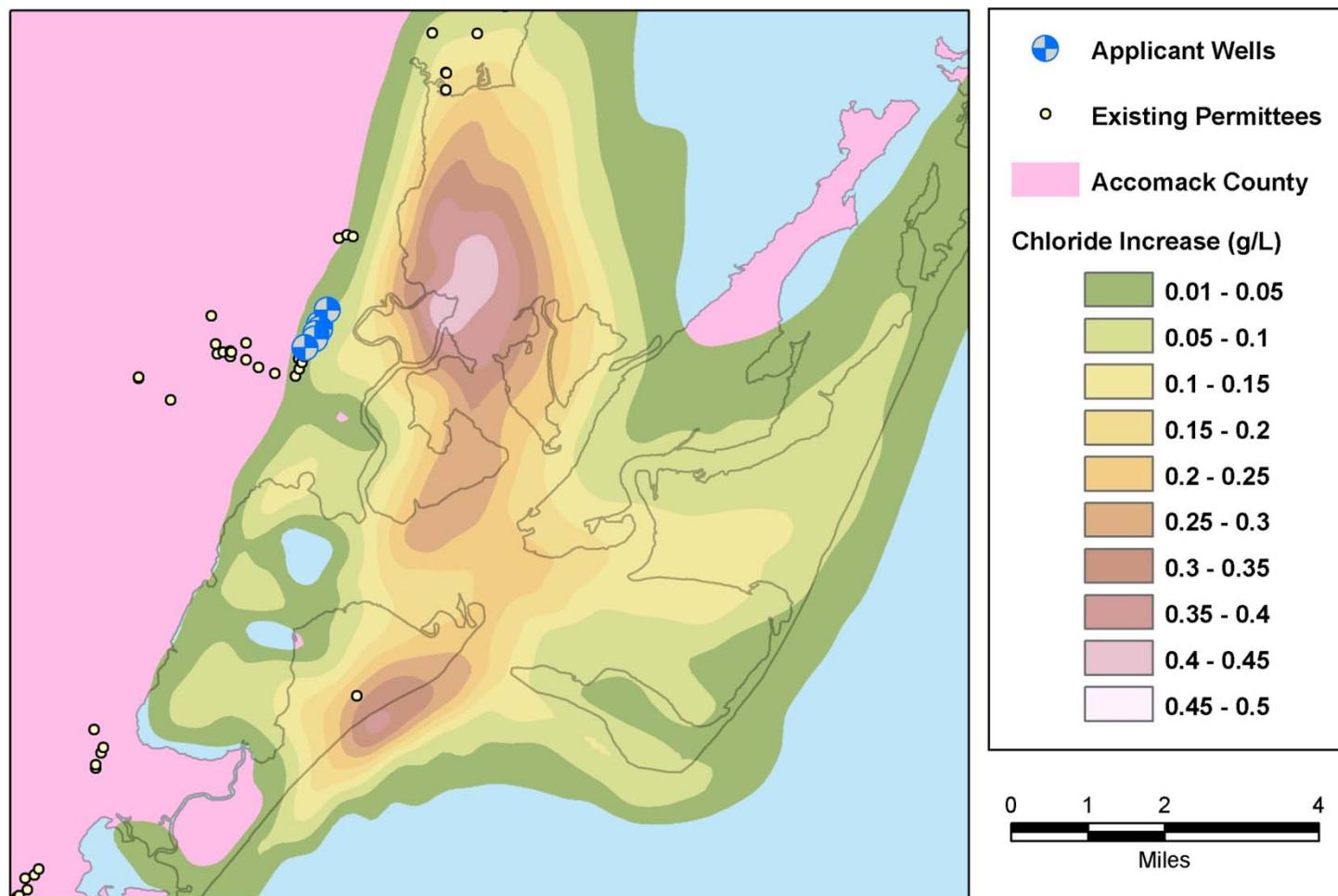
- Drawdown (same as VCPM)
- $\Delta Cl < 0.25 \text{ g/L}$

# Sample Application

- 7 wells
- Small increase in production



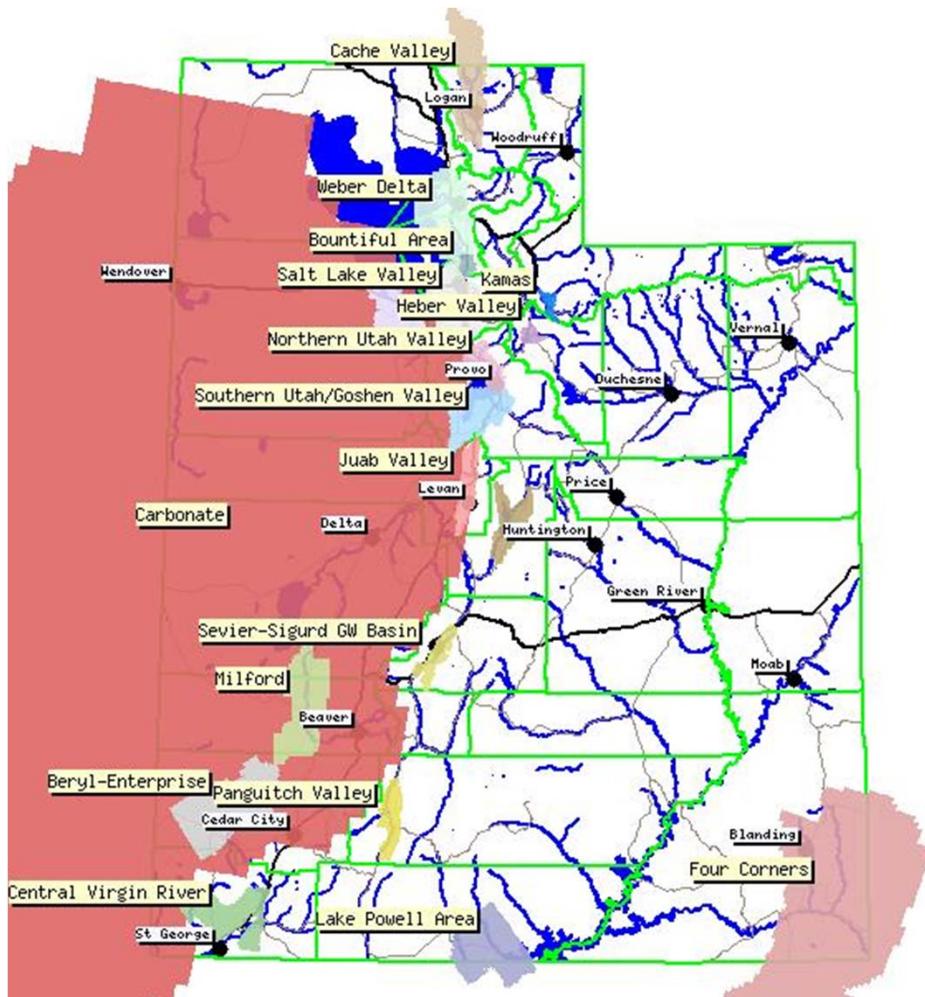
# Changes in Chloride Concentration



# **MODFLOW in the Cloud**

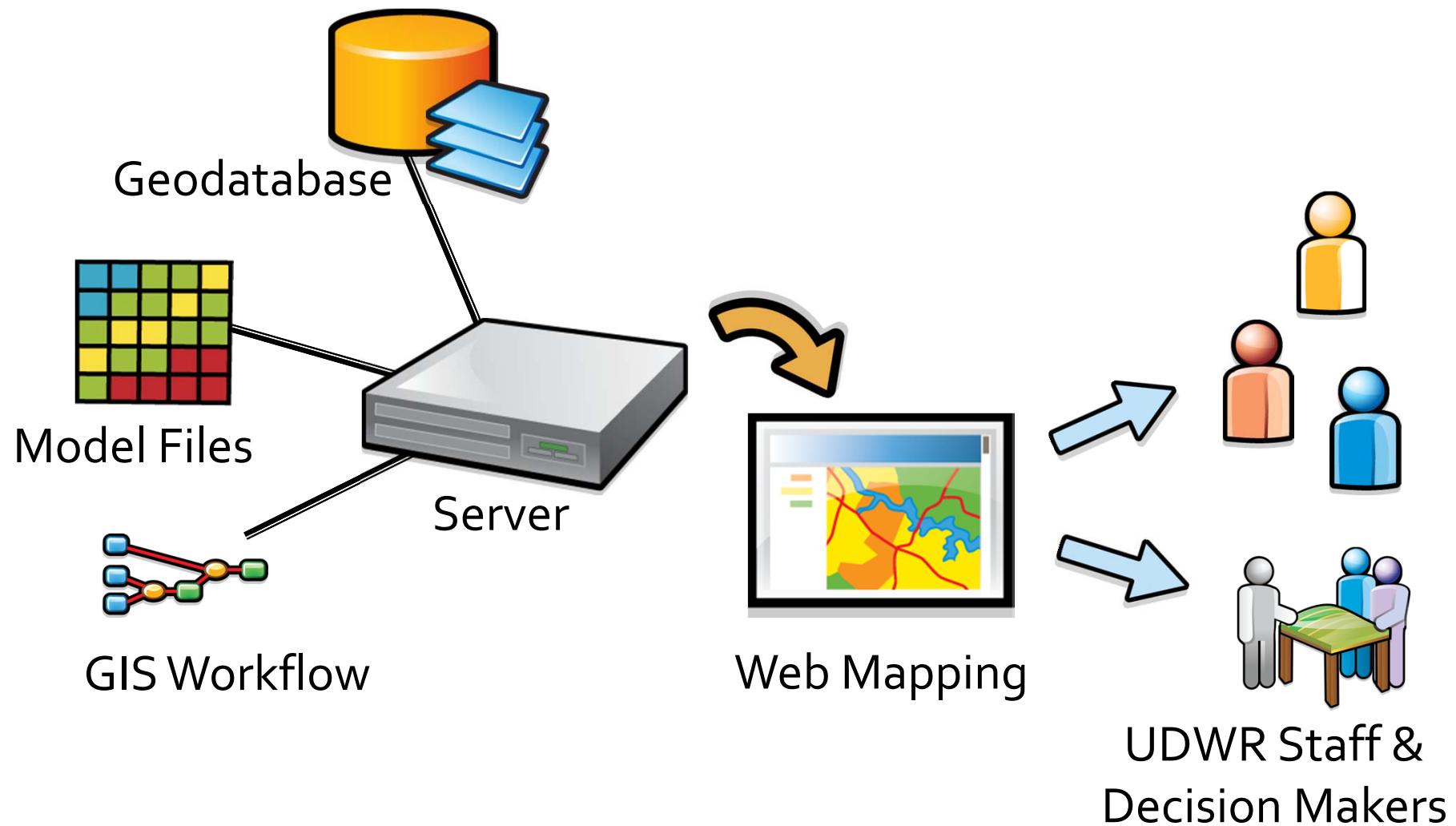
Utah Division of Water Rights Well Impact Simulator

# Utah Division of Water Rights

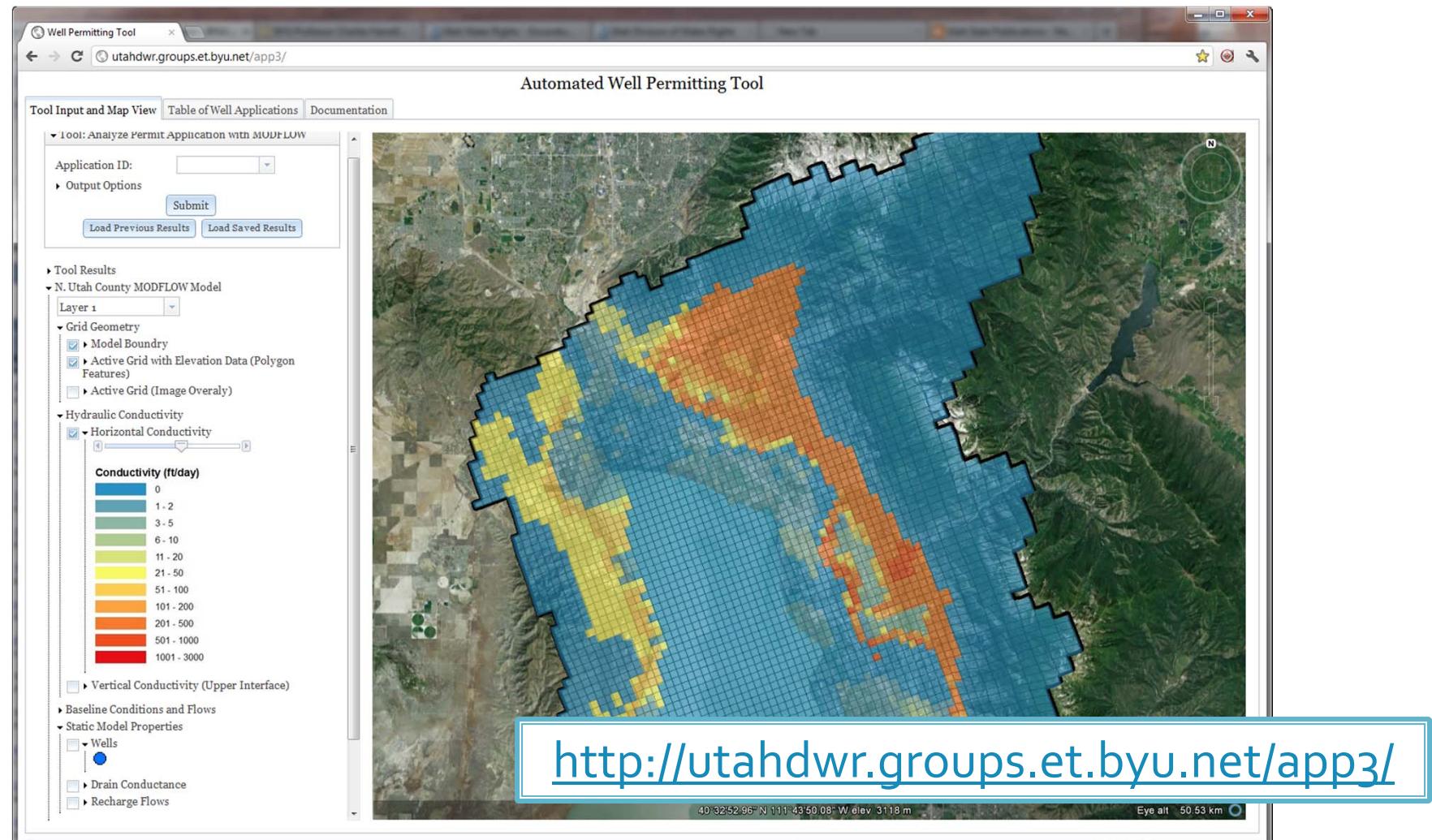


- 31 MODFLOW models used for impact analysis
- Challenges
  - Modeling expertise
  - Software installation and maintenance
  - User error
  - Cost

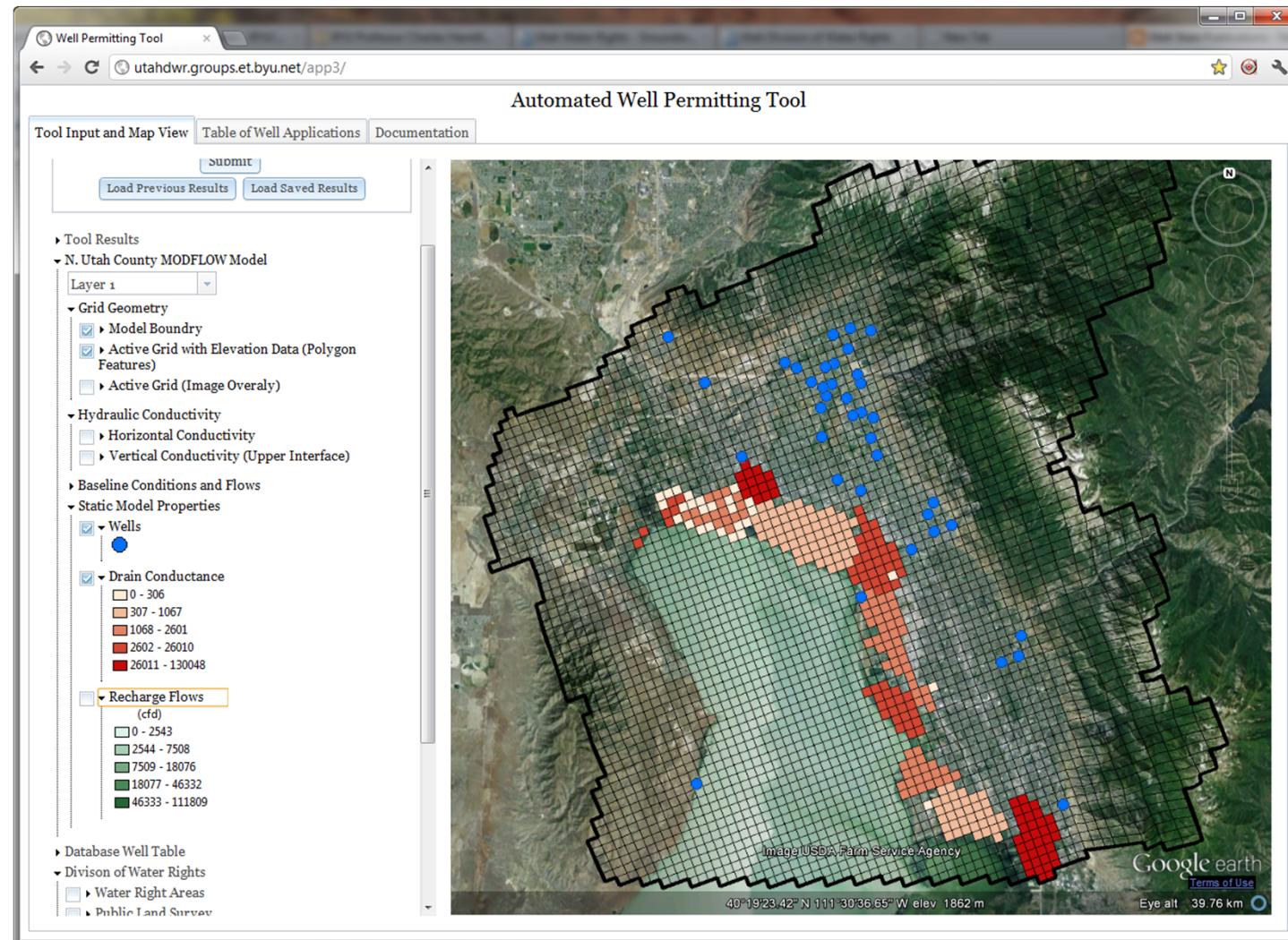
# Cloud-Based Solution



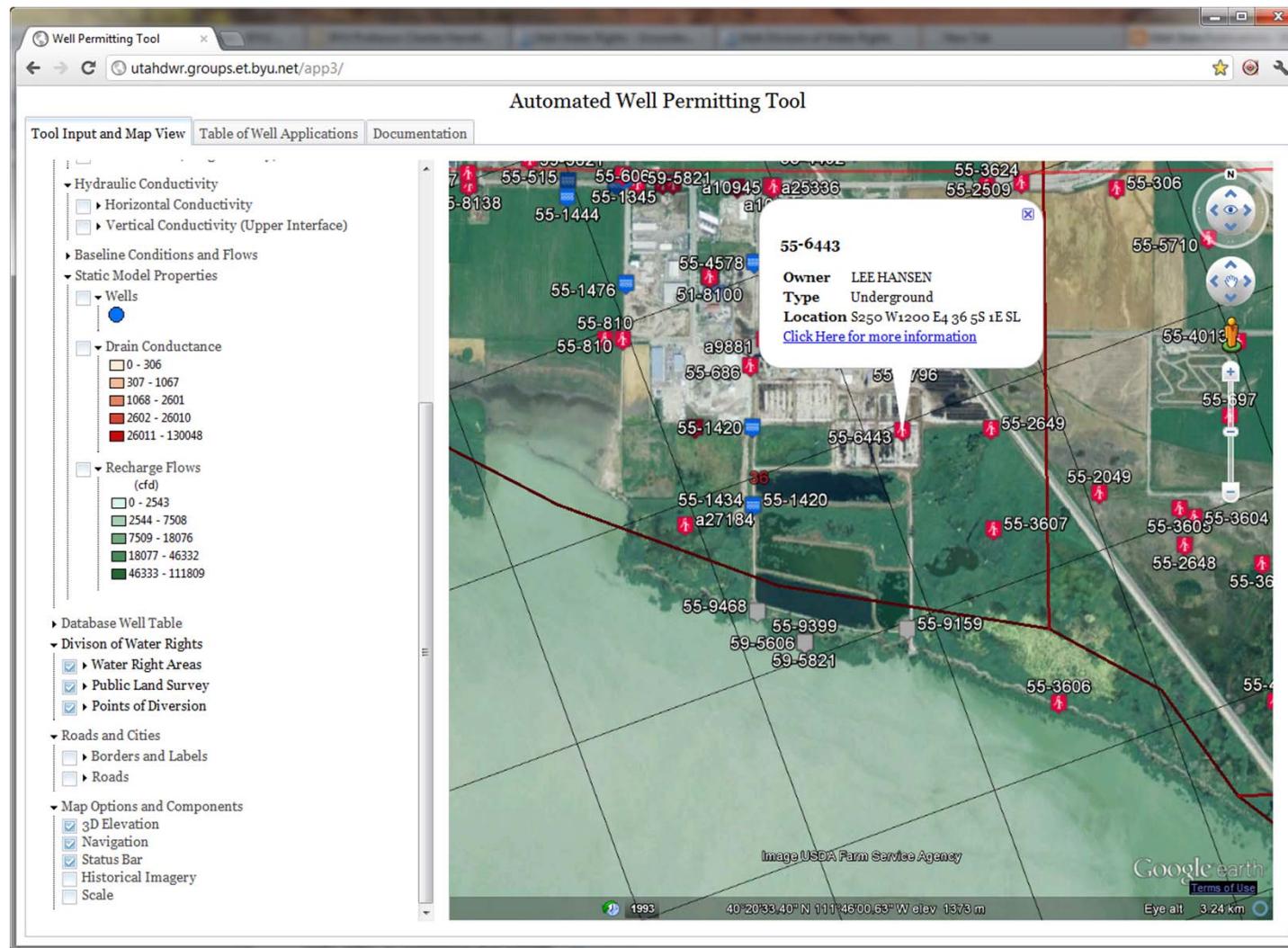
# Web Interface



# Static Model Data



# Map Layers from UDWR Server



# Table of Well Applications

Well Permitting Tool    utahdwr.groups.et.byu.net/app3/

Automated Well Permitting Tool

Tool Input and Map View   Table of Well Applications   Documentation

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# Submitting a Model Run

Automated

Tool Input and Map View   Table of Well Applications   Documentation

▼ Tool: Analyze Permit Application with MODFLOW

Application ID:

▼ Output Options

New Wells  
 Drawdown Contours  
 Change in Spring Flows  
 Total Change in Spring Flows  
 PDF Report

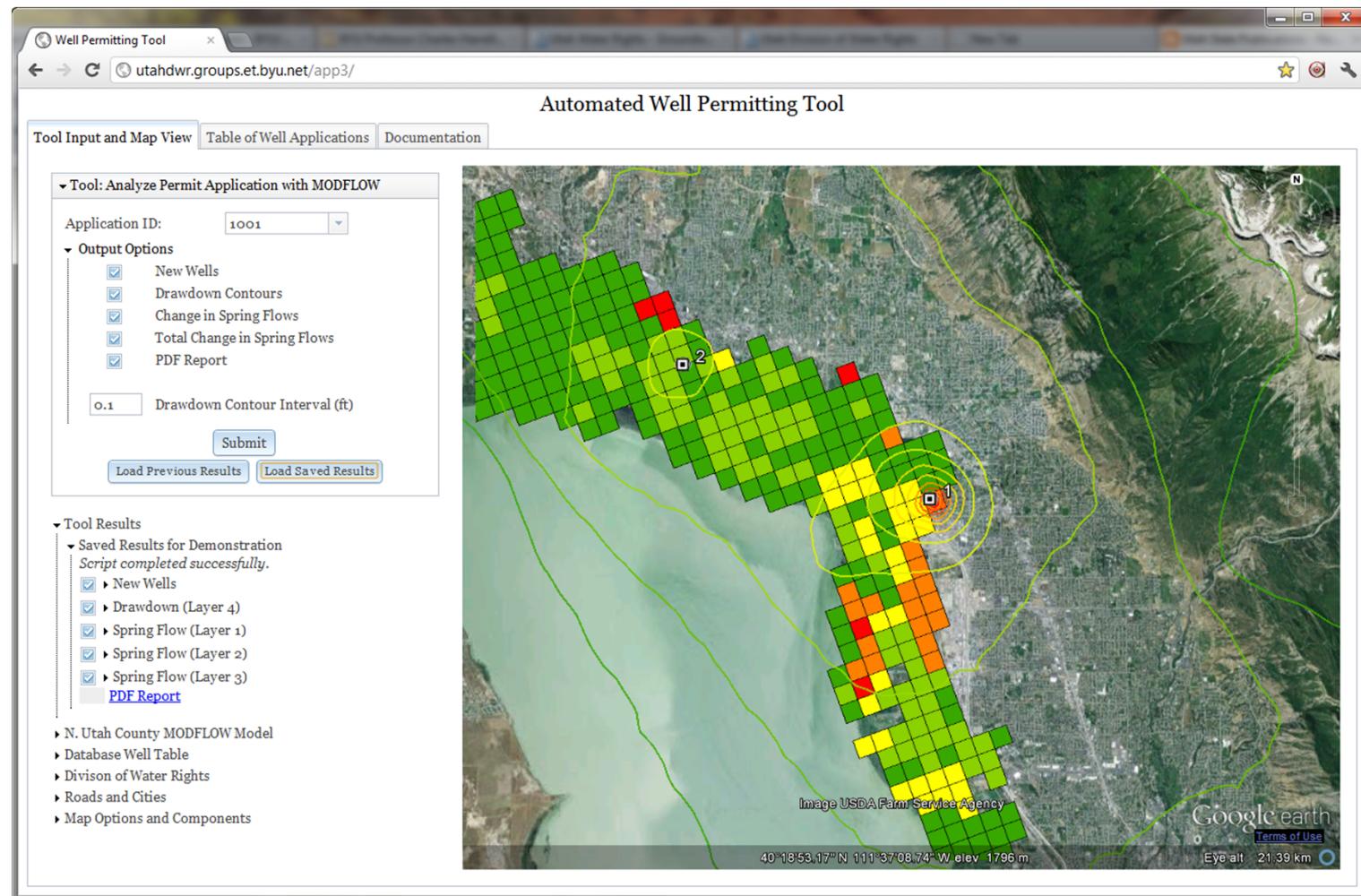
Drawdown Contour Interval (ft)

▼ Tool Results

► N. Utah County MODFLOW Model  
► Database Well Table  
► Division of Water Rights



# Model Results



# Impact on Springs

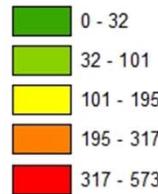
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 PDF Report

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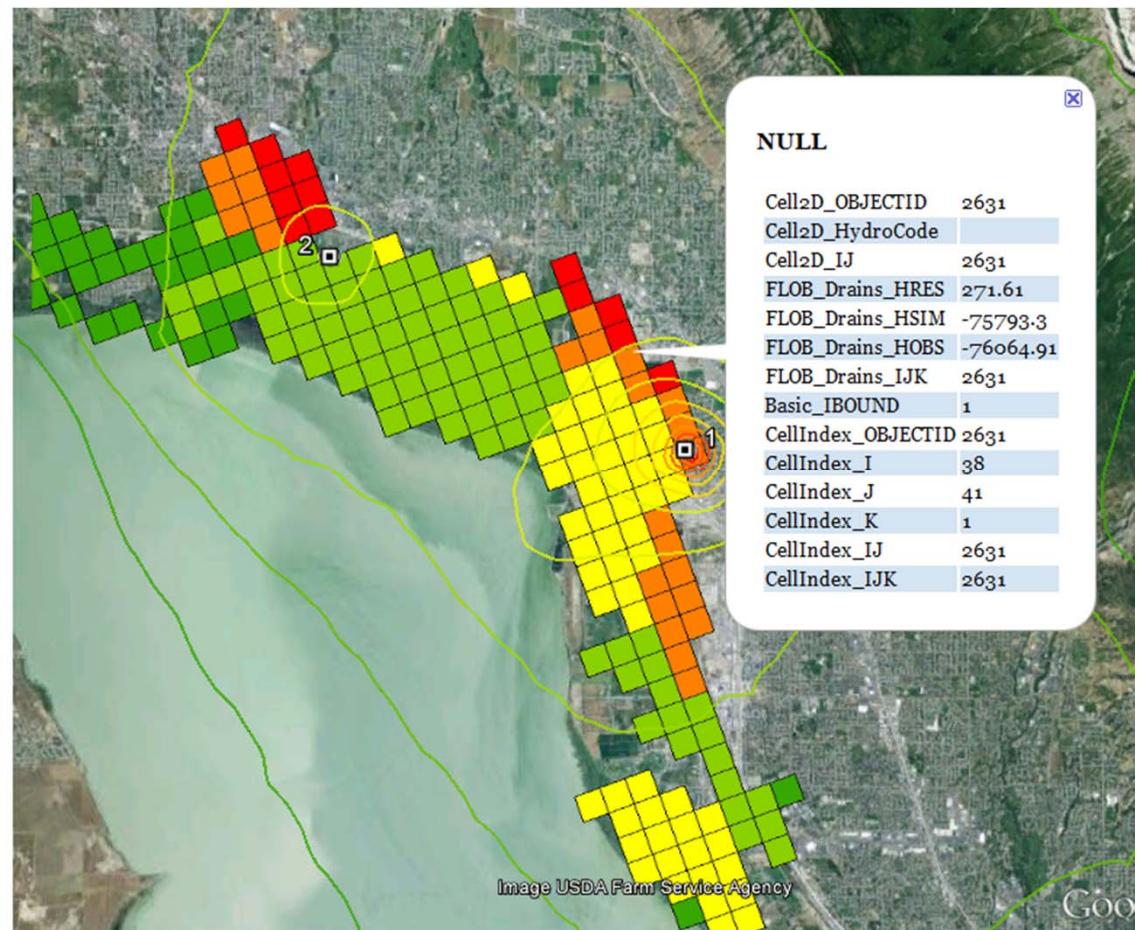
▼ Saved Results for Demonstration  
Script completed successfully.

- ▶ New Wells
- ▶ Drawdown (Layer 4)
- ▶ Spring Flow (Layer 1)  
Change in Flow (cfd)



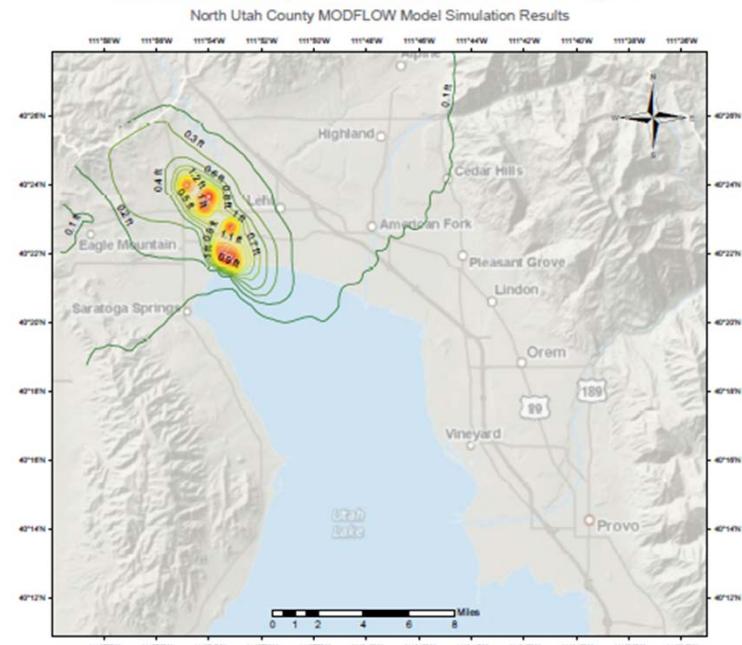
- ▶ Spring Flow (Layer 2)
- ▶ Spring Flow (Layer 3)
- [PDF Report](#)

- ▶ N. Utah County MODFLOW Model
- ▶ Database Well Table
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# PDF Output

Simulated Aquifer Drawdown: Layer 3



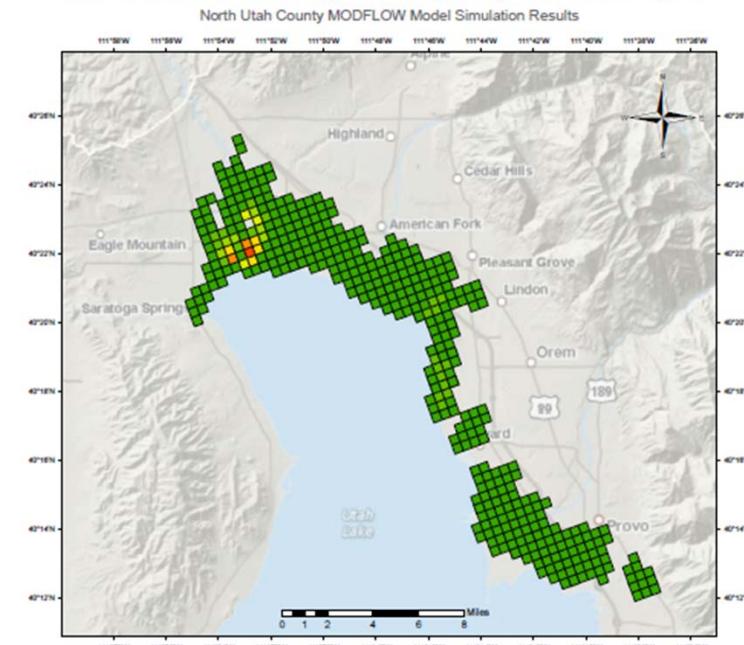
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Simulated Change in Spring Flow: Layer 3



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# Texas Groundwater Availability Models

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Data Recovery Softw... iCloud - iWork Main Campus - East ... 1701 Lavaca Street, ... Trinity MODFLOW S... Trinity (Hill Country)... +

www.twdb.state.tx.us/groundwater/models/gam/trnt\_h/trnt\_h.asp trinity hill country model GA

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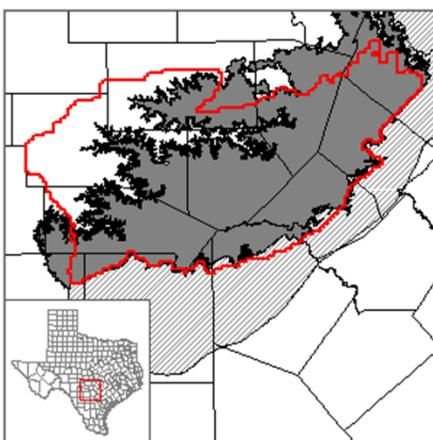
Aquifers Management Areas Conservation Districts Data **Models** Regional Water Planning Areas

**!** All TWDB websites will be offline from 6:00 p.m. on Friday, October 19, 2012 through 6:00 p.m. on Sunday, October 21, 2012 for maintenance. This advance warning to minimize service disruption.

**Trinity (Hill Country) Aquifer**  
Groundwater Availability Model (GAM)

The Texas Water Development Board completed this model in 2000 in cooperation with the Trinity Aquifer Advisory Committee which includes members of local groundwater districts, river authorities, county governments, regional water planning groups, and concerned citizens.

In 2009, the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) completed an update to the model to include the Lower Trinity as a fourth model layer.



**DFC Petitions** >  
**Groundwater Resources** >

- ★ Aquifers
- ★ Groundwater Management Areas
- ★ Groundwater Conservation Districts
- ★ Groundwater Data
- ★ Groundwater Models**
  - Groundwater Availability Models
  - Alternative Models
- ★ Regional Water Planning Areas
- ★ Special Projects

Community  
MODFLOW models  
for water resource  
planning and  
management

# Trinity (Hill Country) Aquifer GAM

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Data Recovery Software × iCloud - iWork × Main Campus - East ... × 1701 Lavaca Street, A... × Trinity MODFLOW Se... × report.pdf (application/pdf) × Trinity (Hill Country) ... ×

kmz.aquaveo.com/WellPermitting/Trinity/gmap/index\_v3.htm# trinity hill country model GAM

Welcome! New Simulation Archived Simulations

Description: Well near Waller Creek Lake

• 2012-07-18 18:10:38

Simulation #136 (Delete)

- By: Mark
- Description: Two wells: one near Tarpley, another near Pipe Creek
- 2012-07-18 18:04:04

Script completed successfully.

Map Layers:

- New Wells
- Drawdown (Layer 1)
- Drawdown (Layer 2)
- Drawdown (Layer 3)
- Drawdown (Layer 4)
- Total Spring Flow

More Info:

- [Browse Result Files](#)
- [PDF Report](#)

Simulation #140 (Delete)

- By: Mark
- Description: Well at 2219 Fawn Mist Lane, San Antonio, TX 78248
- 2012-07-18 18:08:52

Simulation #143 (Delete)

- By: Gil
- Description: Test simulation 0 discharge

Simulation Options:

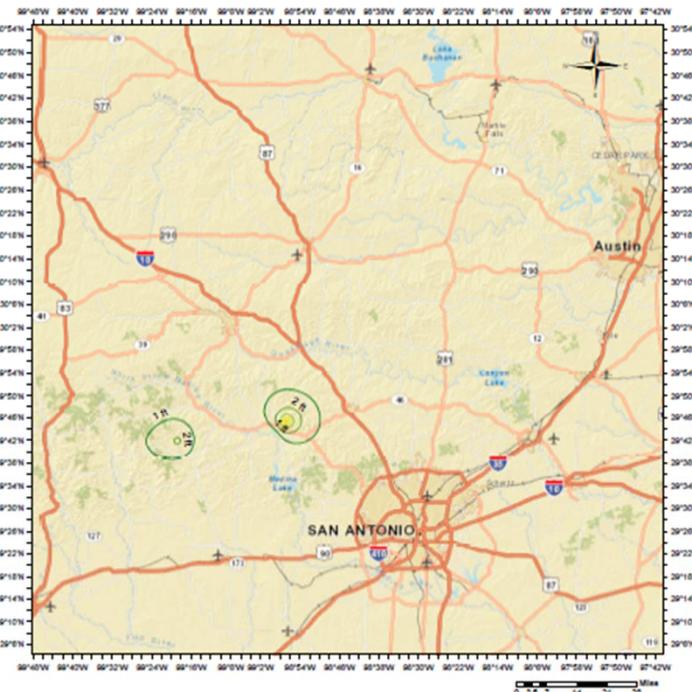
- (a) Reduced recharge
- (b) Well impact on water levels and stream flow

[http://kmz.aquaveo.com/WellPermitting/Trinity/gmap/index\\_v3.htm](http://kmz.aquaveo.com/WellPermitting/Trinity/gmap/index_v3.htm)

# PDF Simulation Report

## SIMULATED AQUIFER DRAWDOWN: LAYER 3

Trinity Hill Country GAM Model

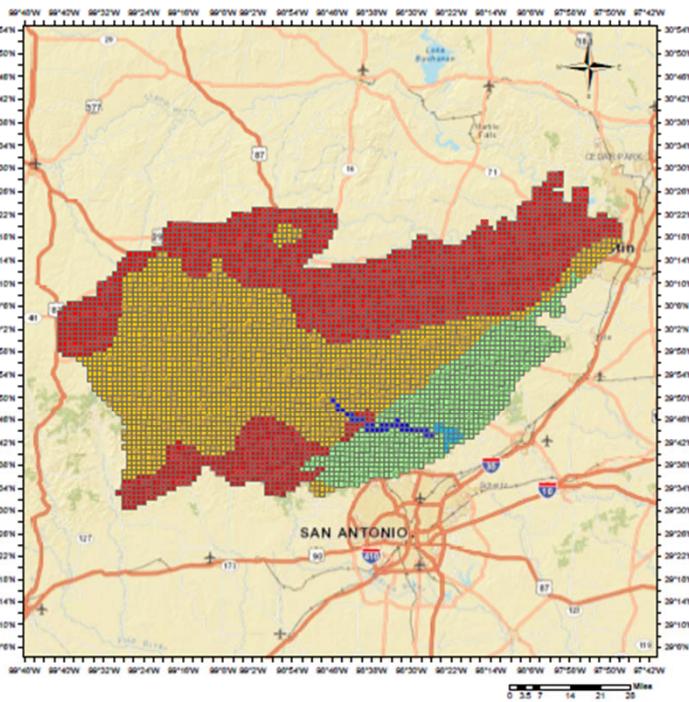


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Trinity Hill Country GAM Model



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# Thank You

