

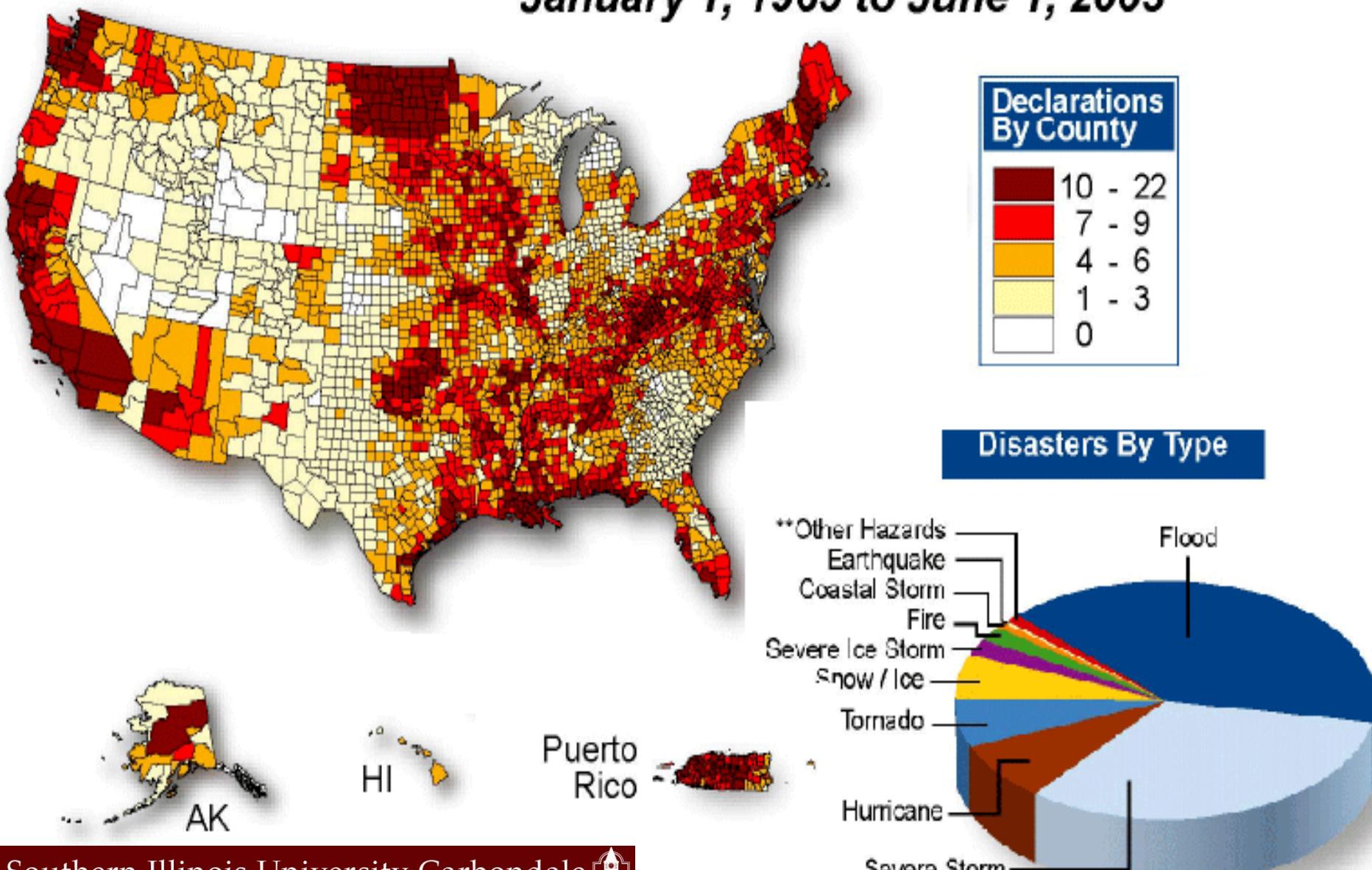
Incorporating Climate Change into Flood Risk Assessment: An Upper Mississippi River Valley Case Study

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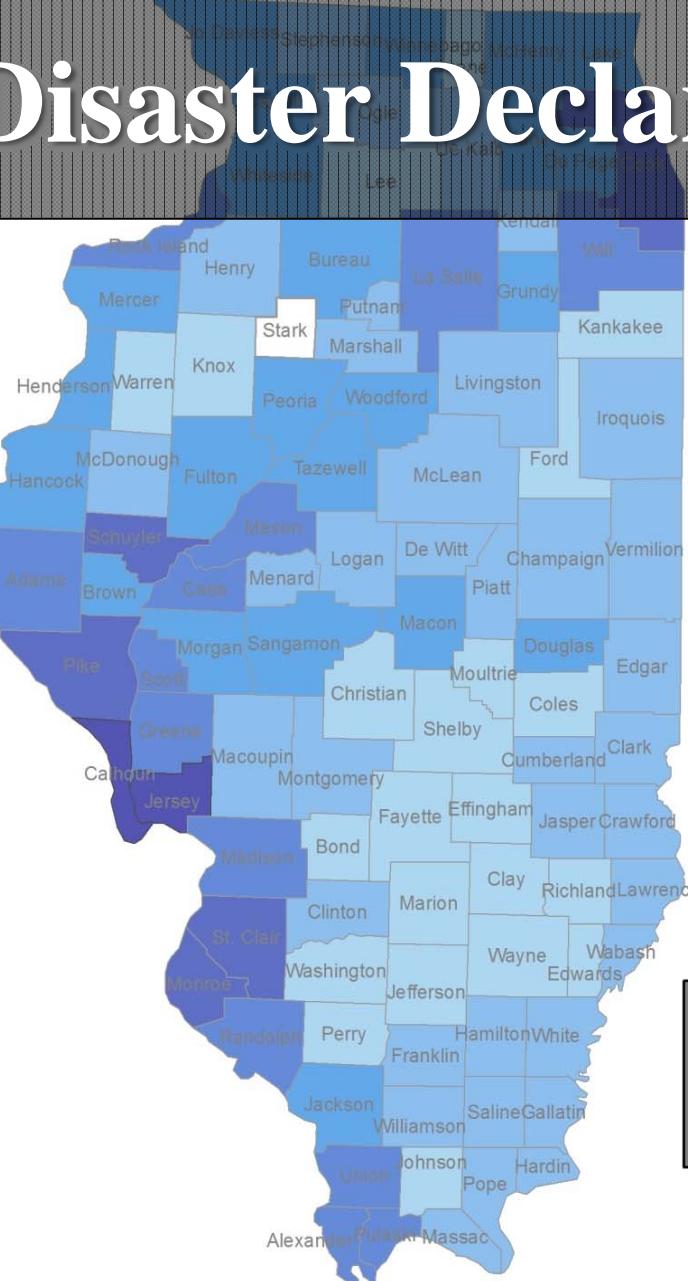
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Presidential Disaster Declarations

January 1, 1965 to June 1, 2003



FEMA Disaster Declarations

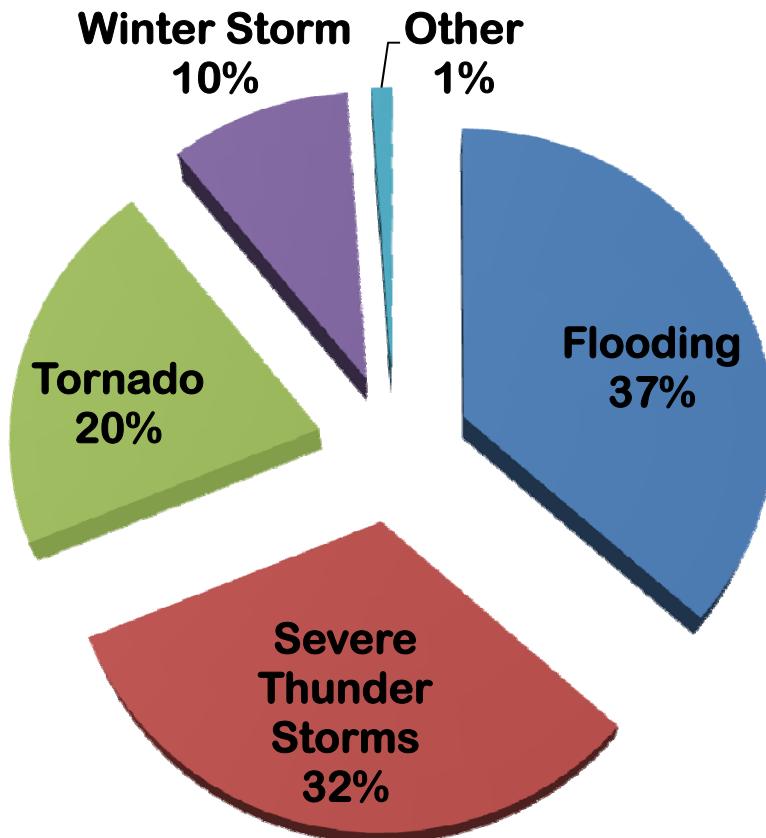


Legend
**County of FEMA Declared
Disasters by County 1965 - 2009**

- 0
- 1 - 3
- 4 - 6
- 7 - 9
- 10 - 12
- 13 - 15
- 16 - 17

**34 Presidential Disaster
Declarations
RI of 1.2 Years**

Type of Disaster Declarations: 1965-2008



Factors Affecting Flooding

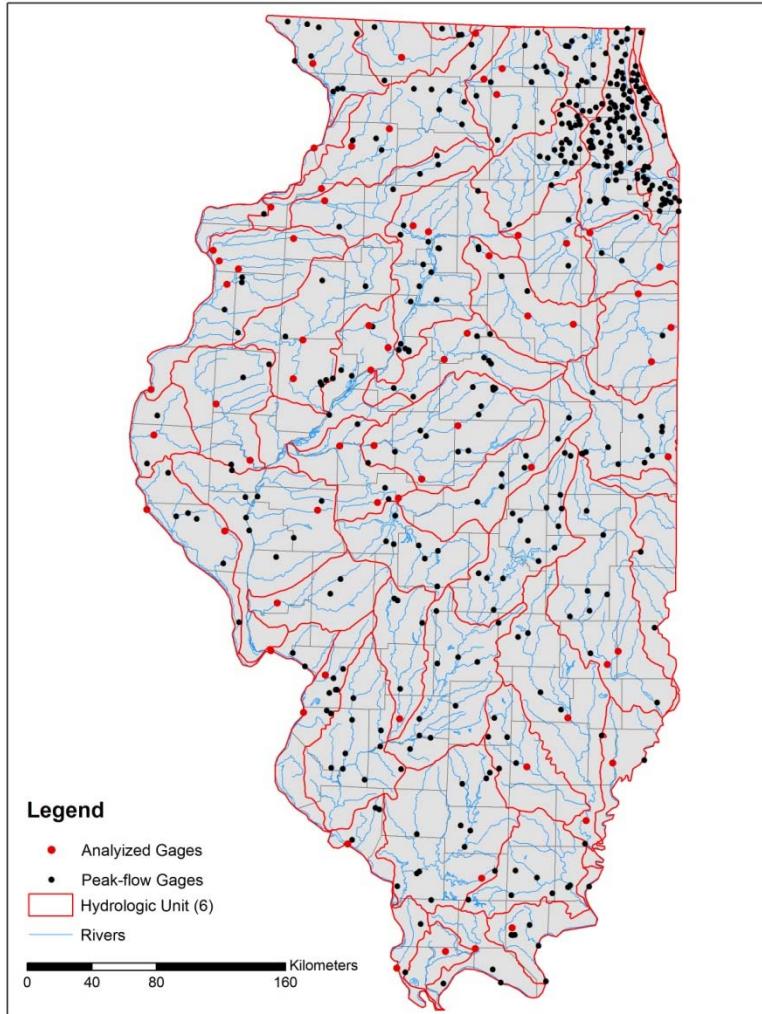
CONTROLS ON
FLOOD MAGNITUDE

UPSTREAM FACTORS:

Climate
Land use
Reservoir impoundment
Wetlands



Historic Changes in Discharge

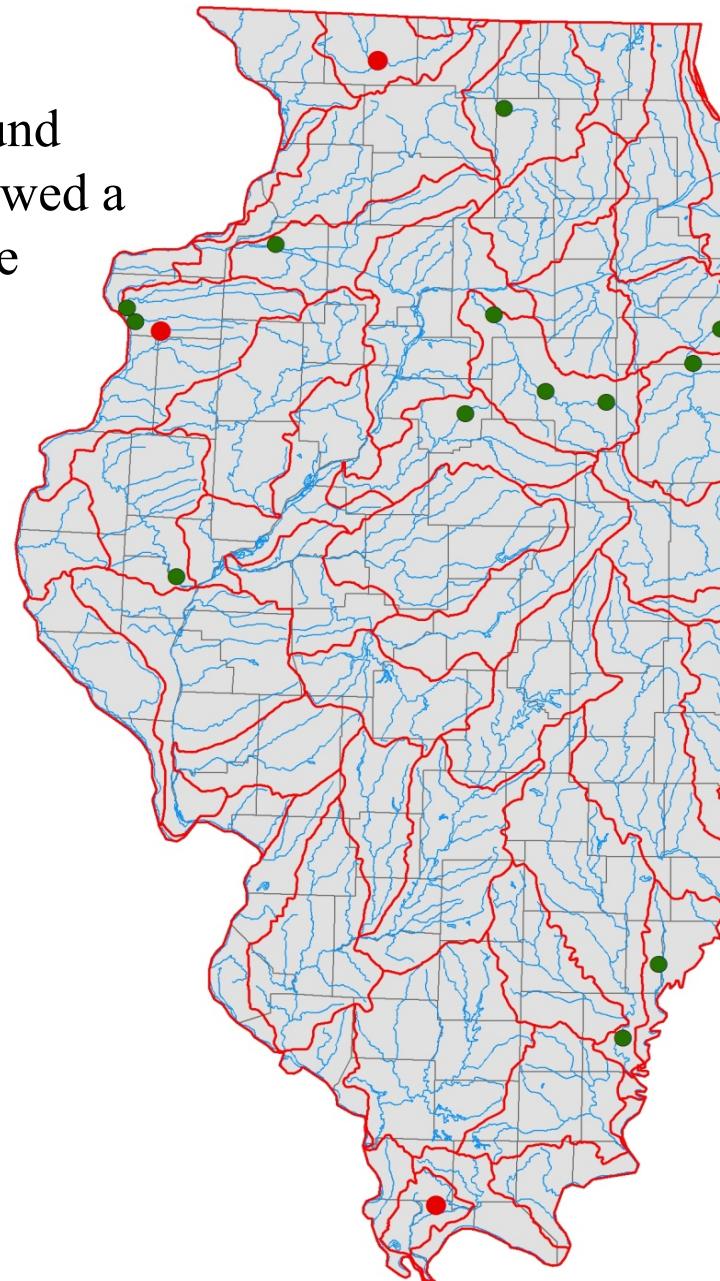


Knapp and Markus, 2003
(Illinois Water Survey)

- 484 gages with peak flow data in Illinois.
- 83 active gages with records >50 years.
- 30 no human impact.
- 53 have minimal human impact.
- Analyzed 61 Gages using Kendall Tau- β Trend Analysis for average and peak discharges.

Results:

- Knapp and Markus, 2003 found 16 of the 61 gages (25%) showed a statistically significant change in peak flows.



Legend

● Significant Decrease

● Significant Increase

Hydrologic Unit (6)

Rivers

Kilometers
0 50 100 200

Big Creek

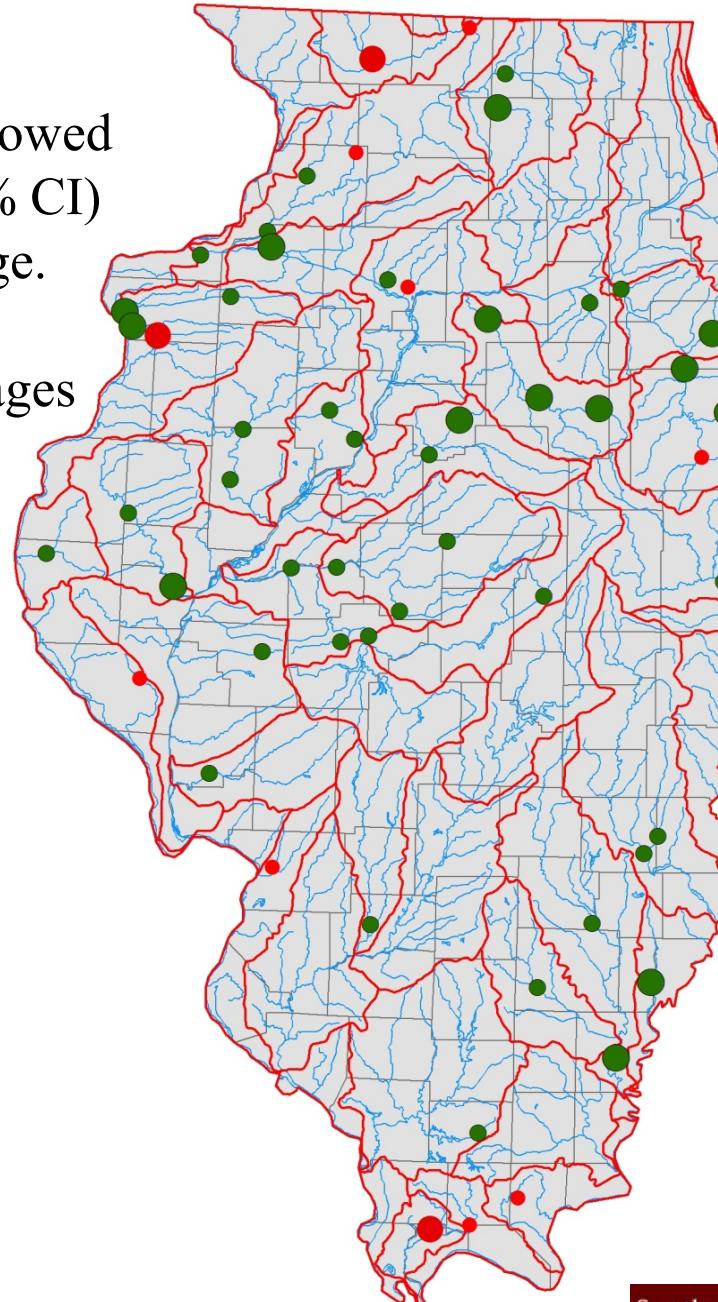


Cache River



Results:

- ~50% of analyzed gages showed statistically significant (95% CI) increase in average discharge.
- 50 out of the 61 analyzed gages showed increase in peak discharges.



Legend

- Significant Negative
 - Significant Positive
 - All Positive
 - All Negative
- Hydrologic Unit (6)
- Rivers

0 50 100 200 Kilometers

Change in 100-year Discharge Recurrence Interval

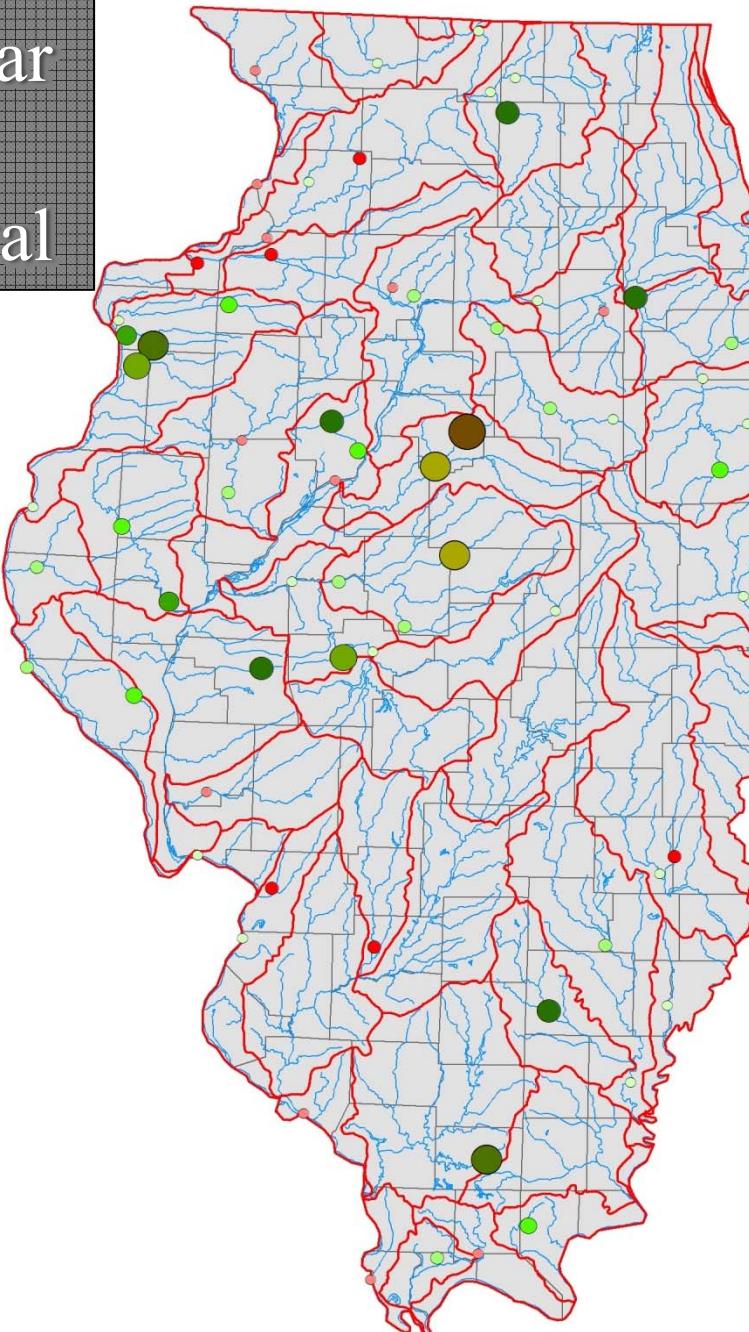
Legend

Percent Change in 100 Year Flood Recurrence Interval

- 20.0 - -10.0
- 10.0 - 0.0
- 0.0 - 10.0
- 10.0 - 20.0
- 20.0 - 30.0
- 30.0 - 40.0
- 40.0 - 50.0
- 50.0 - 60.0
- 60.0 - 70.0
- 70.0 - 80.0
- 80.0 - 90.0
- 90.0 - 100.0

Hydrologic Unit (6)

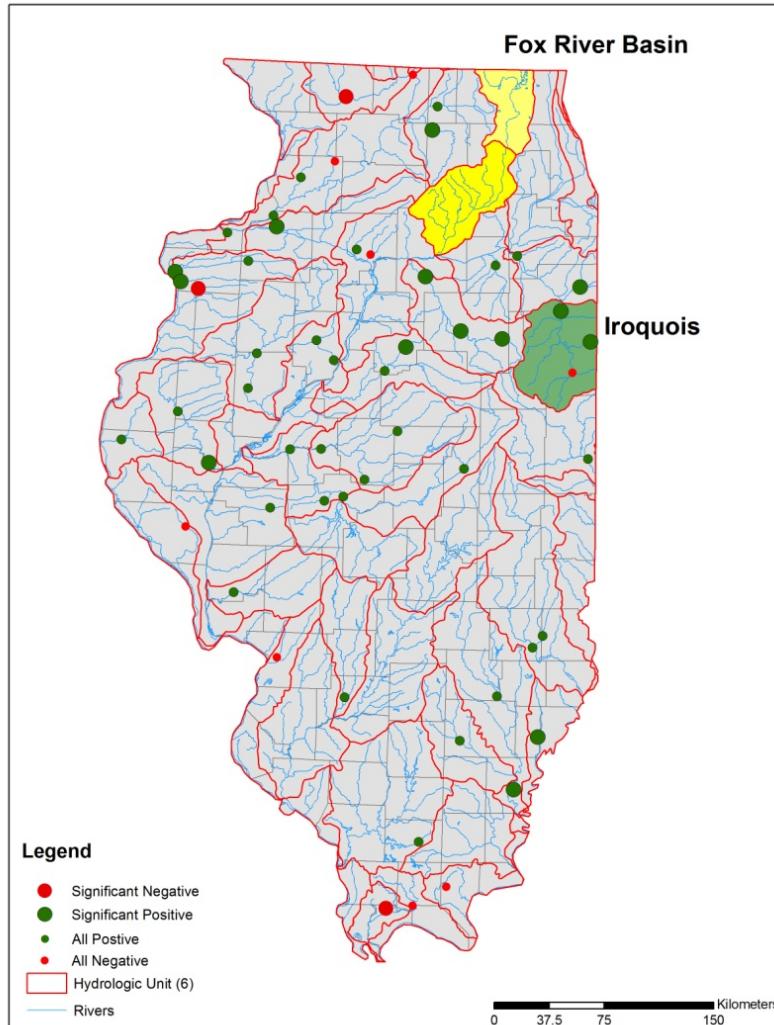
Rivers



- 61 Station From Knapp and Markus, 2003 plus 7 Mississippi River and 3 Illinois River Gages
- Between late the 1970s and circa 2000
 - 44 stations increase
 - 17 stations decrease
- Average change 15%
- Average increase in 100-year discharge 23%
- Average decrease in 100-year discharge 7%

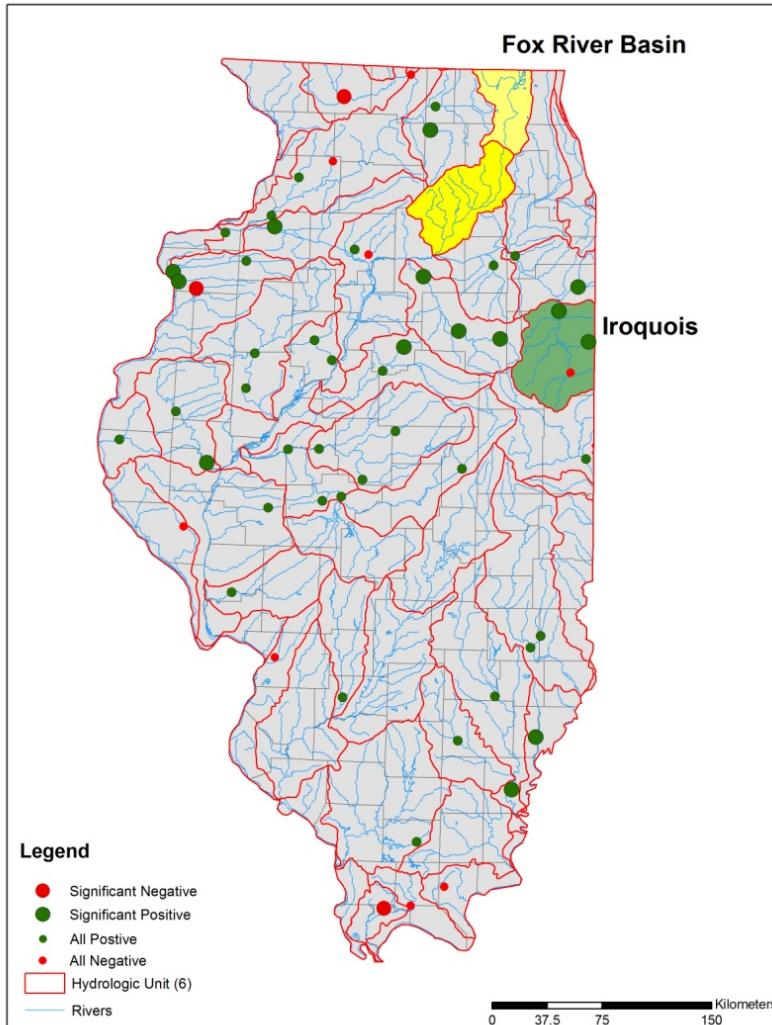
Kilometers
0 40 80 160

Previous Hydrologic Modeling of Climate Scenarios in Illinois



- Knapp et al., 2004 evaluated the response to stream flow to two climate scenarios for the Fox and Iroquois Basins.
- Climate Models
 - Japan model dry
 - Hadley model wet
- Hydrologic Model
 - Iroquois Basin - SWAT
 - Fox River Forecast Model

Previous Hydrologic Modeling of Climate Scenarios in Illinois



| | Present | Wet 2050 | Wet 2100 |
|----------------------|---------|----------|----------|
| Fox River Basin | | | |
| Max Daily Flow (cfs) | 6,825 | 6,307 | 6,551 |
| % Change | - | -8% | -4% |
| Iroquois River | | | |
| Max Daily Flow (cfs) | 27,569 | 28,452 | 29,758 |
| % Change | - | 3% | 8% |

Project Overview

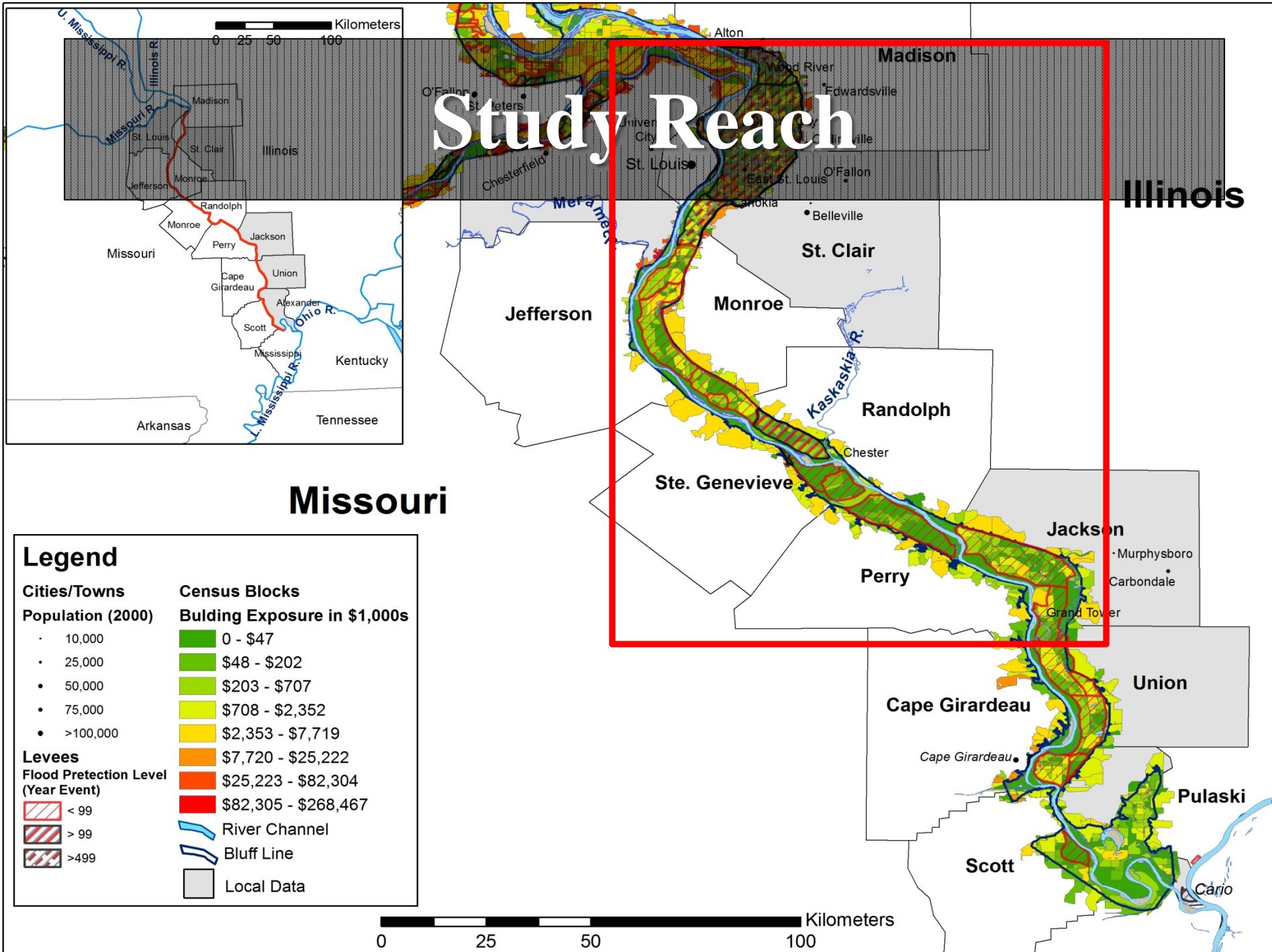
- Purpose: Develop a framework from which to incorporate climate change projections into flood risk assessment.
 - Implement downscaled and bias corrected projections of future climate change (temperature and precipitation) to drive large-scale hydrologic model.
 - Use hydrologic model, Variable Infiltration Capacity Model (VIC), to estimate daily discharges in order to establish new flood recurrence intervals (i.e., 100-year event).

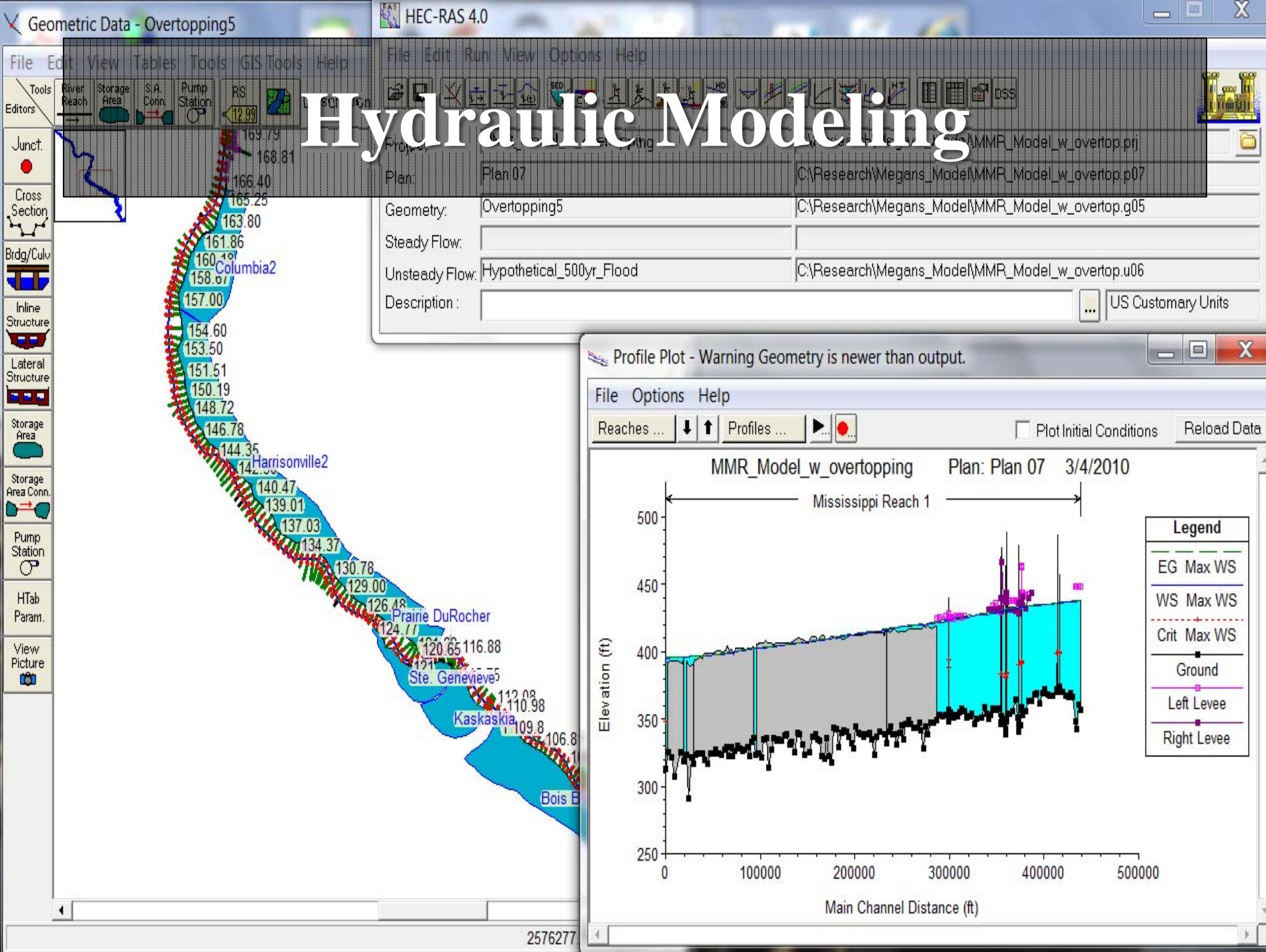
Project Overview

- Use 1-D hydrodynamic modeling using HEC-RAS to establish water surface elevations for the new 100-year flood discharges.
- Perform flood loss modeling using FEMA's HAZUS-MH flood loss estimation tool to estimate potential economic losses for the present day and future 100-year flood using current floodplain infrastructure data.

Climate Scenarios

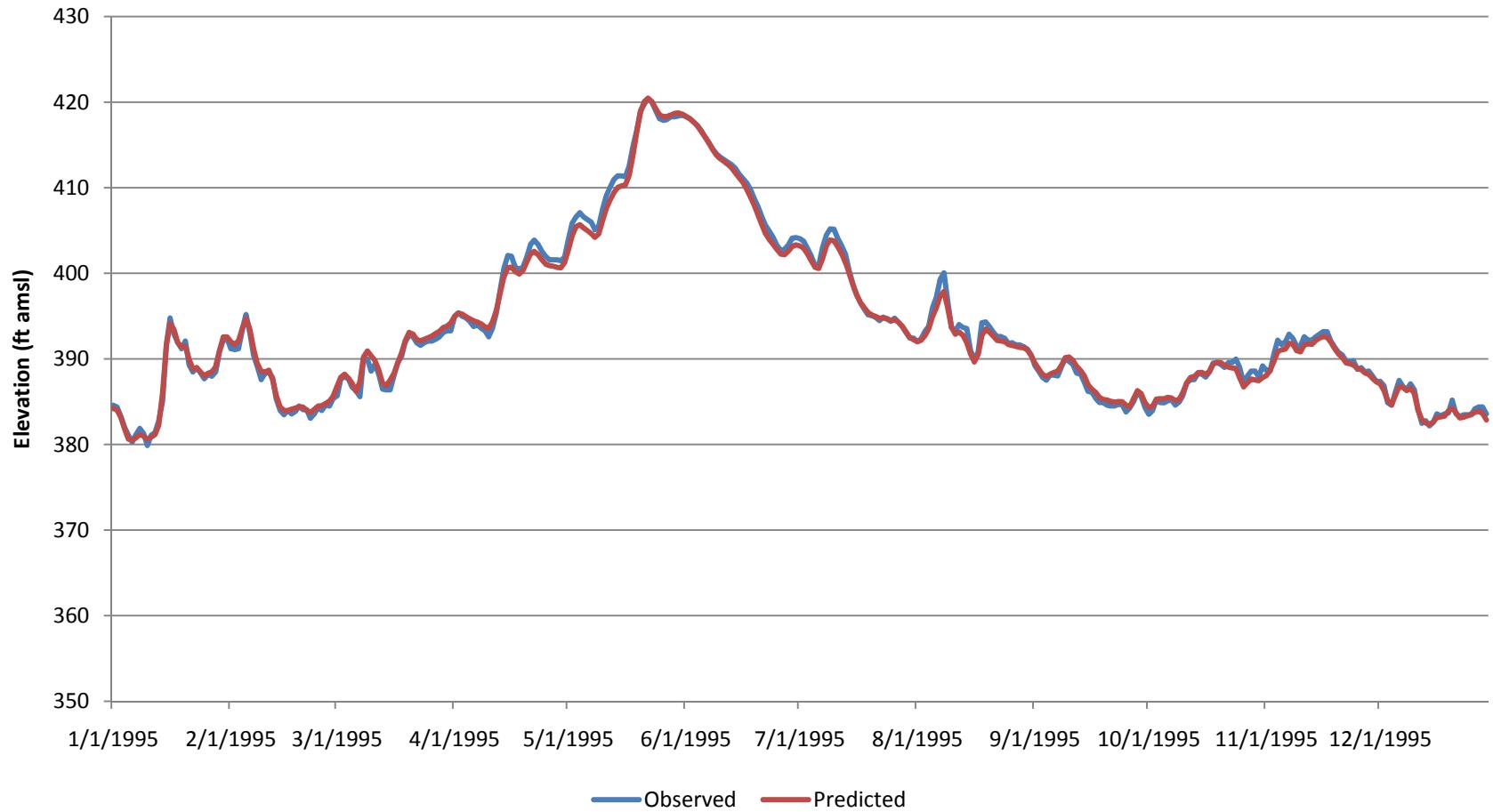
- Use projected future climate datasets from the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change (IPCC).
- Models
 - HadCM3
 - GFDL
 - PCM
- Scenarios
 - A2
 - A1B
 - B1
 - SRES



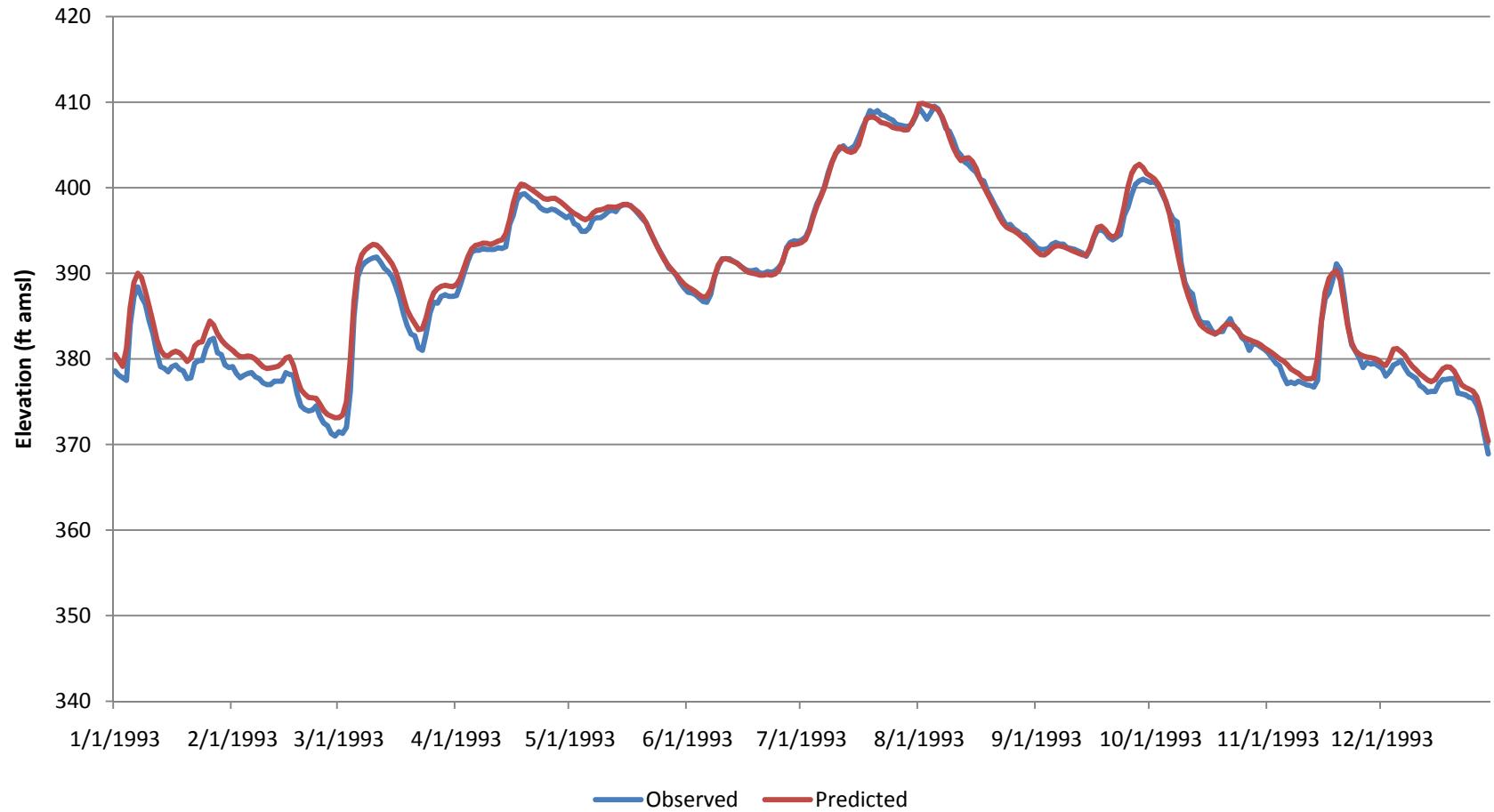


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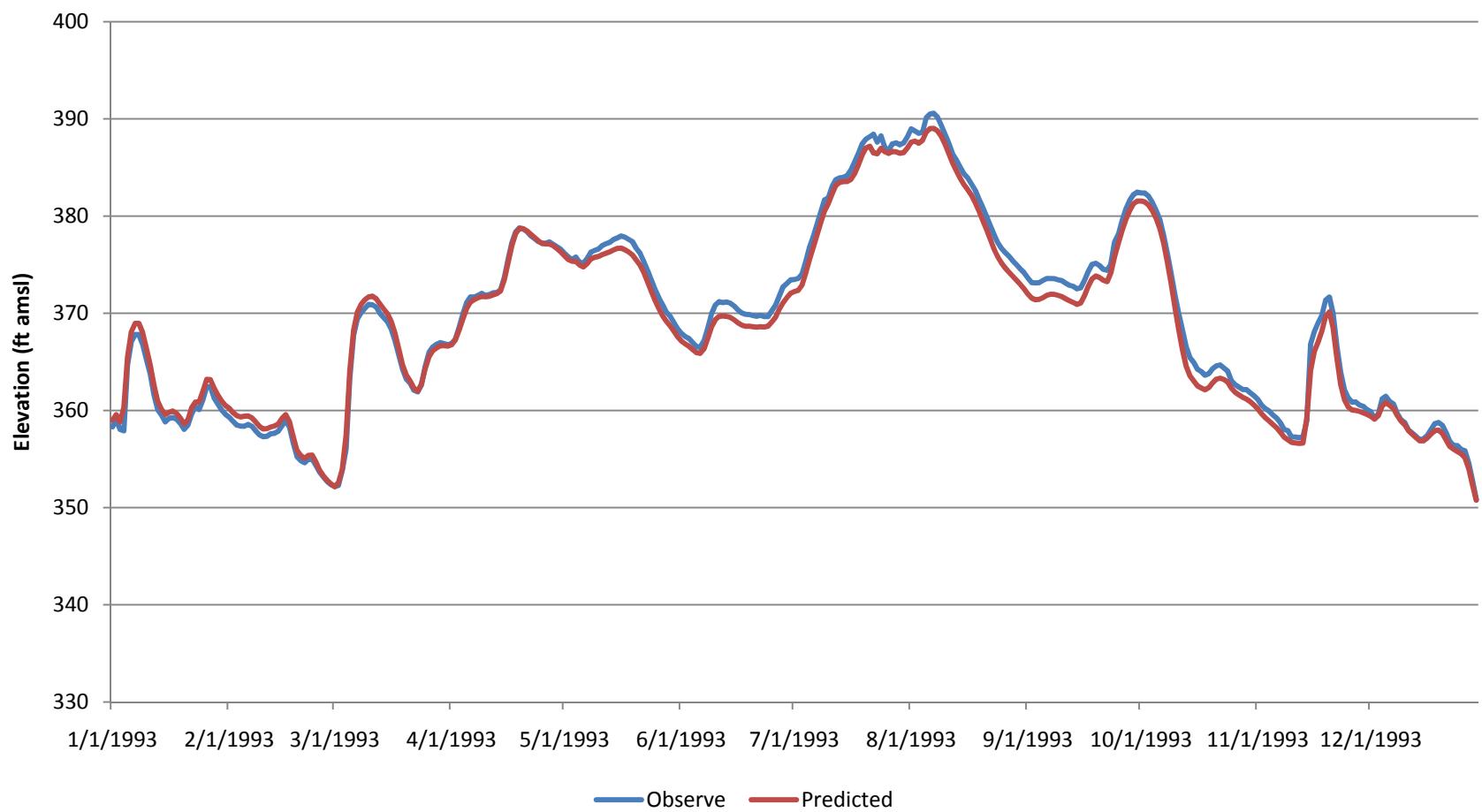
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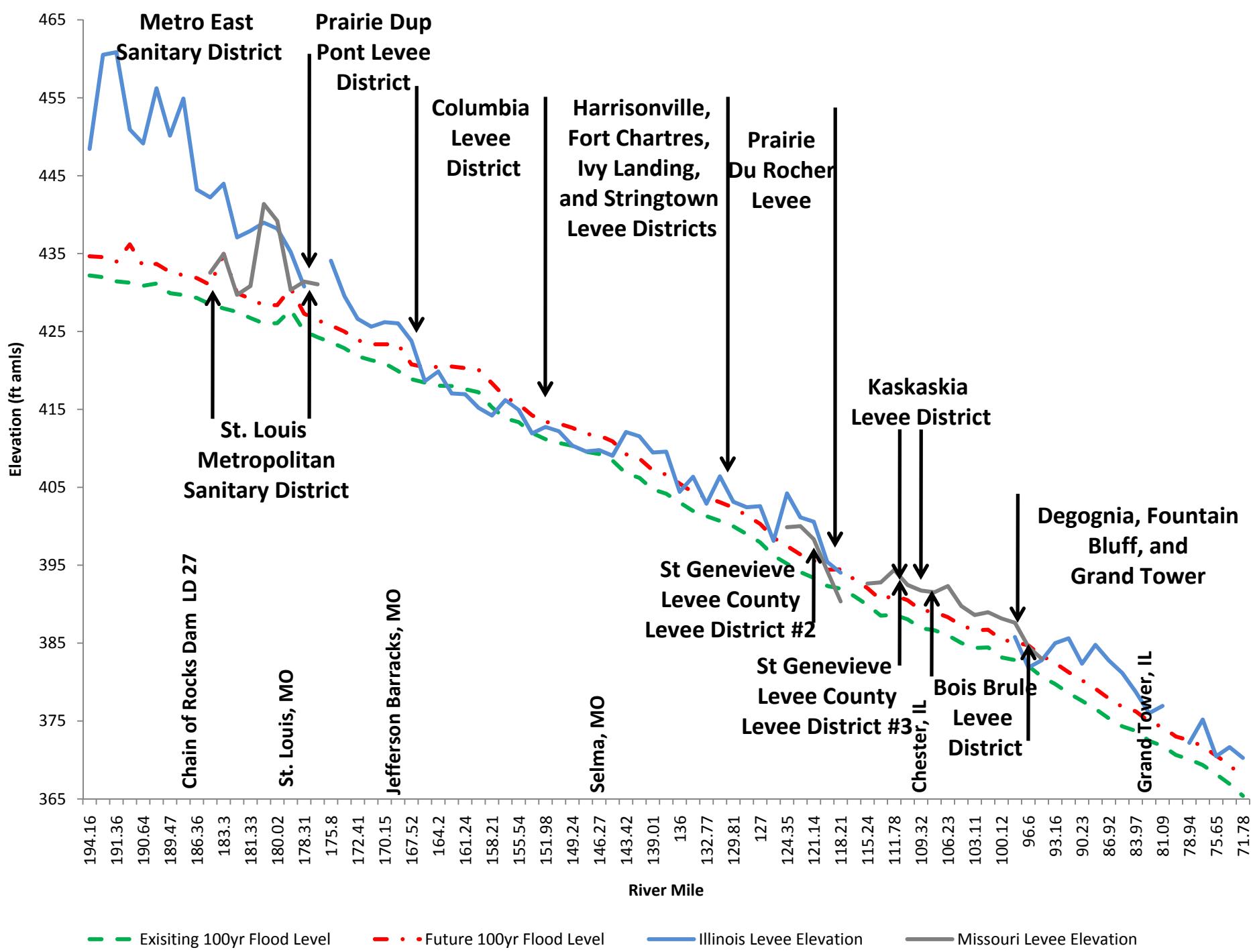


Validation 1993? Selma, MO

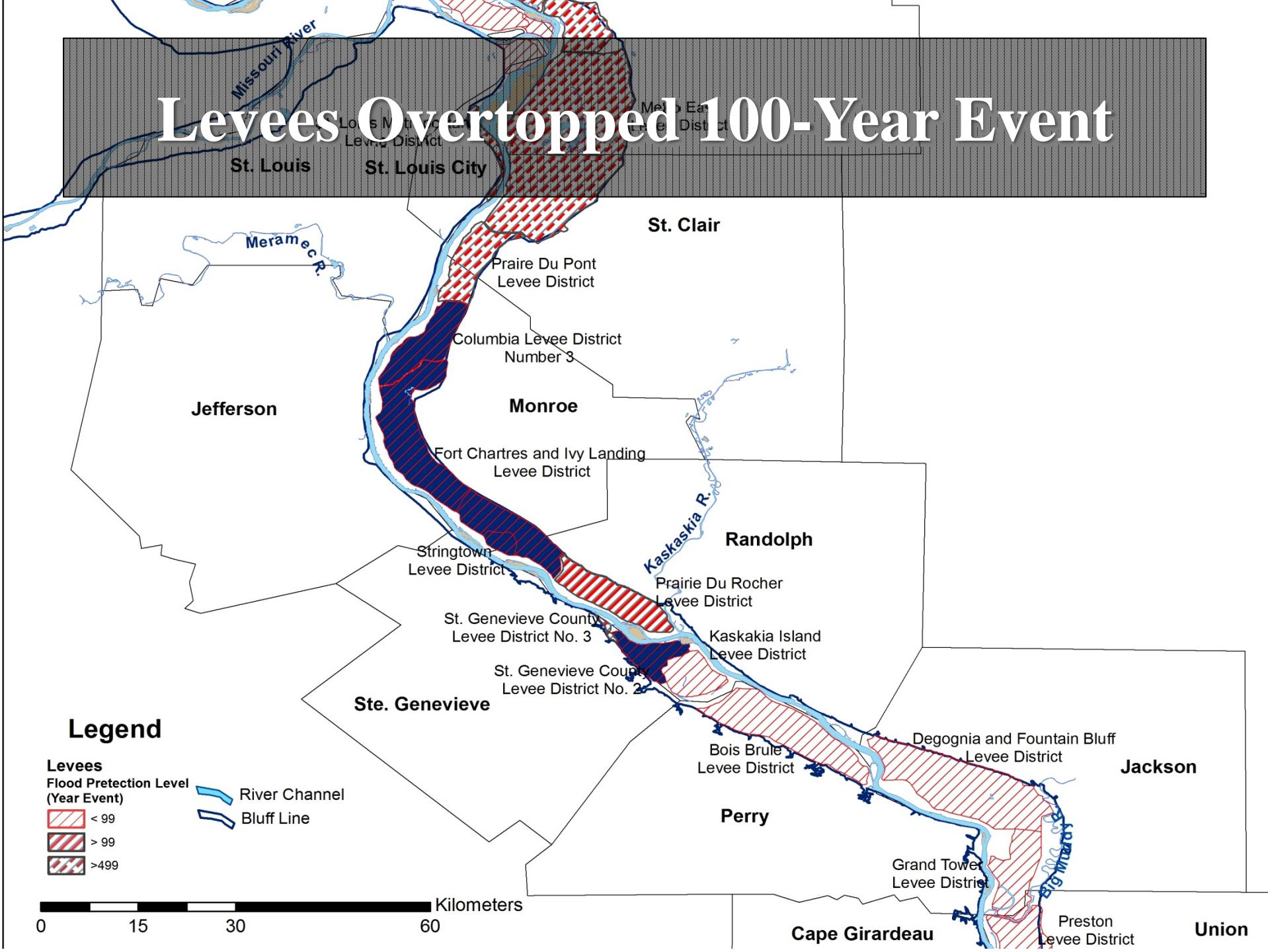


Validation 1993? Chester, IL





Levees Overtopped 100-Year Event



Legend

Levees
Flood Protection Level
(Year Event)

- < 99
- > 99
- >499

River Channel
Bluff Line

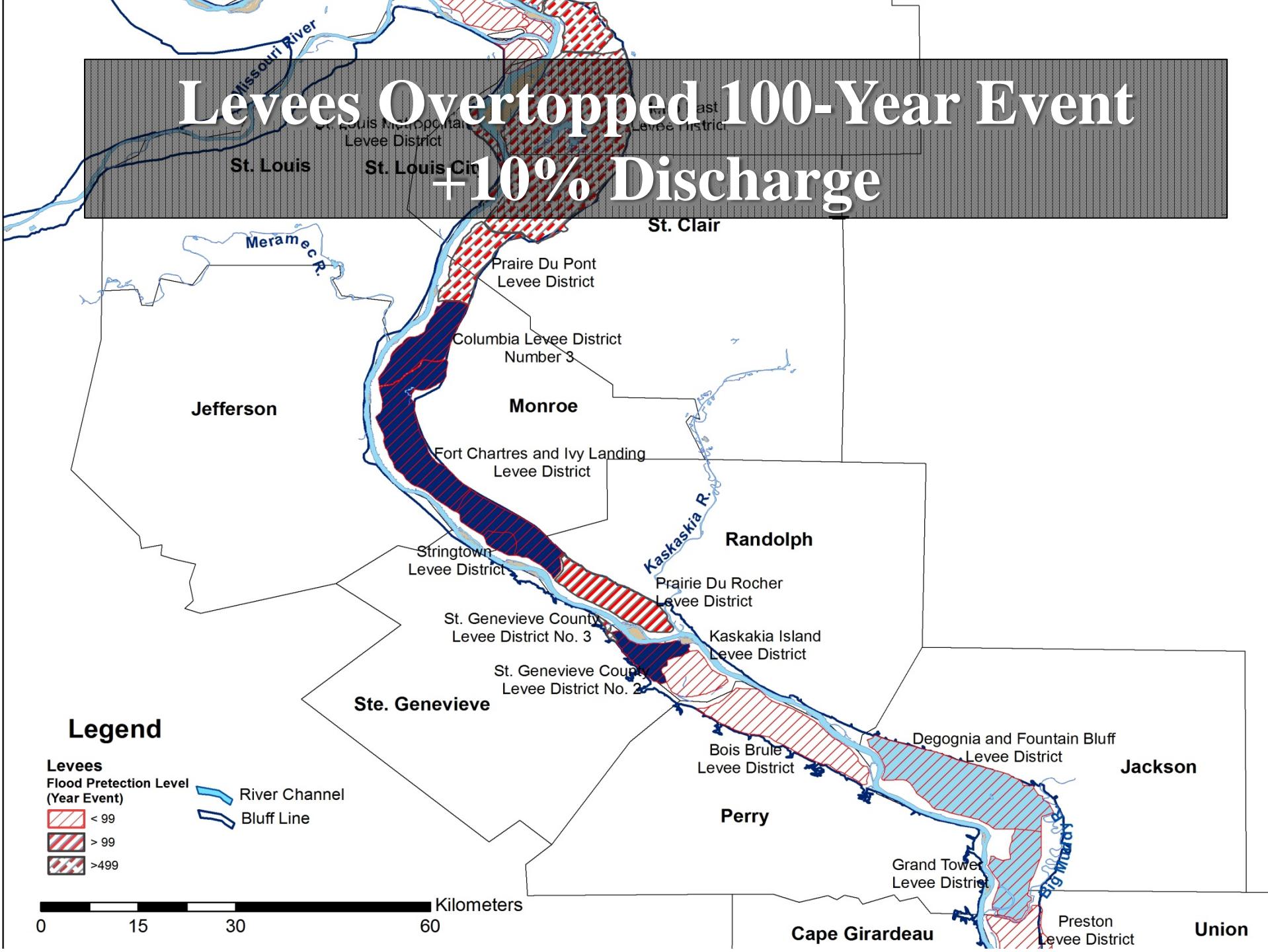
0 15 30 60 Kilometers

Cape Girardeau

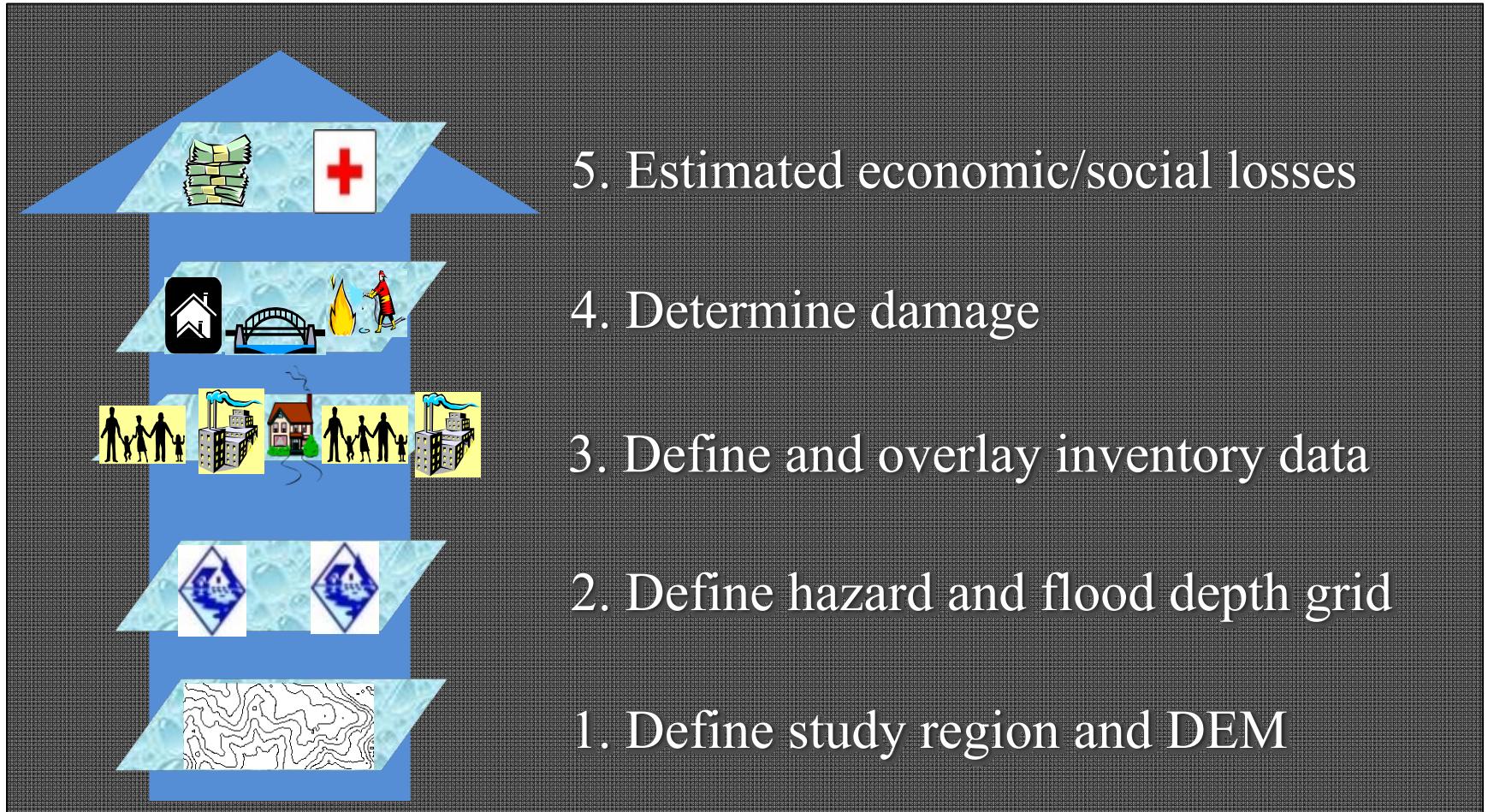
Preston
Levee District

Union

Levees Overtopped 100-Year Event +10% Discharge



HAZUS-MH Loss Estimation Methodology



Flood Losses

| Scenario | Building Losses | Business Interruption Losses | Total Losses |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|------------------|
| 100-Year Flood | \$312.92 | \$1.42 | \$ 314.34 |
| 100-Year Flood +10% | \$332.45 | \$1.5 | \$ 333.95 |
| Change | 6.2% | 5.6% | 6.2% |



Cape Girardeau 



Cape Girardeau 

On Going and Future Research

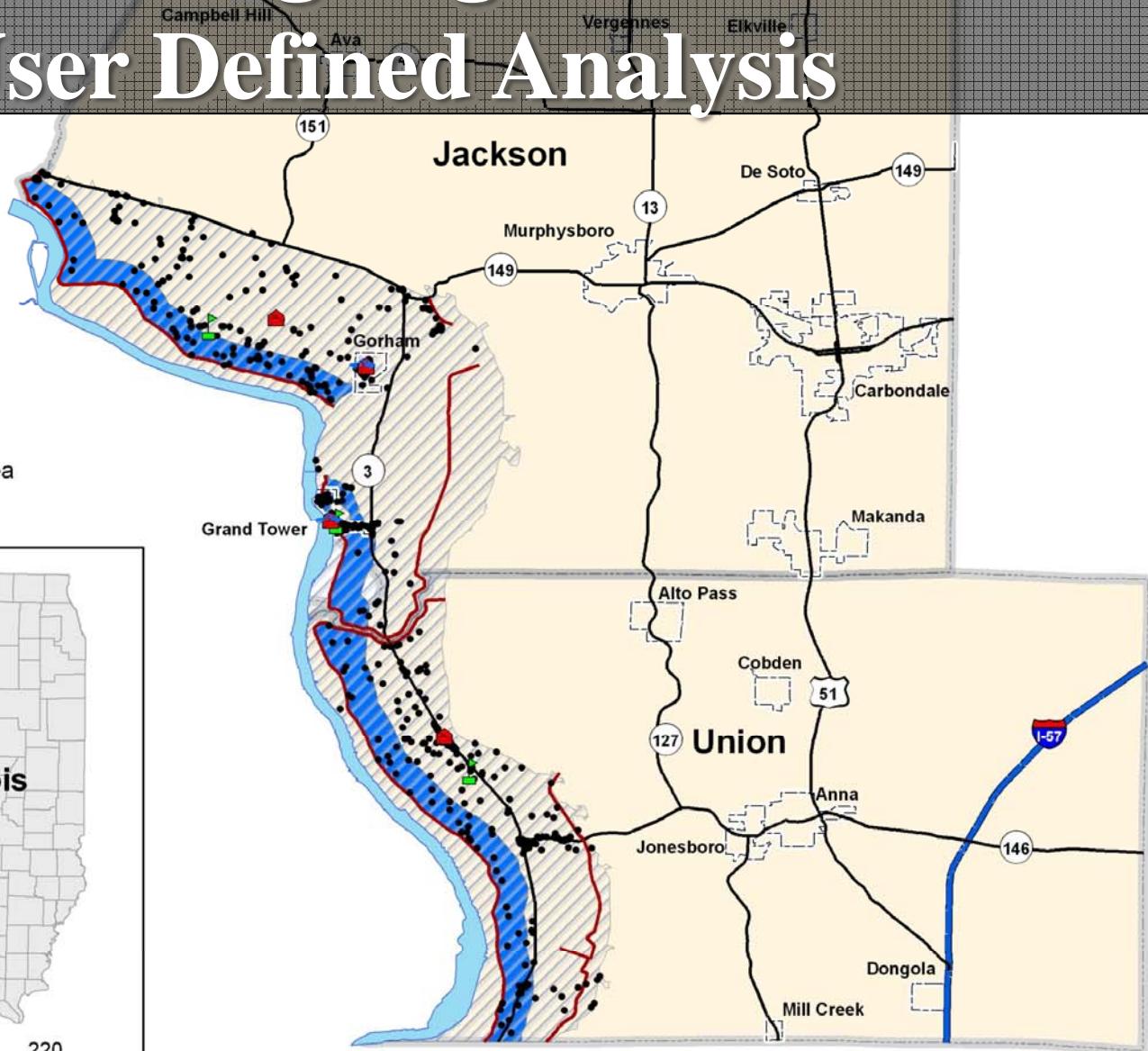
- Optimum configuration for levee setbacks or removal along the Middle Mississippi River.
- Evaluation of cost and benefits of structural flood control along the Large Engineered Rivers
- Improving Floodplain Management and Policy Tools: Stacking Ecosystem Services in Reconnected Floodplains: Linking Socioeconomic and Biophysical Analysis to Improve Floodplain Management.

Other Ongoing Research

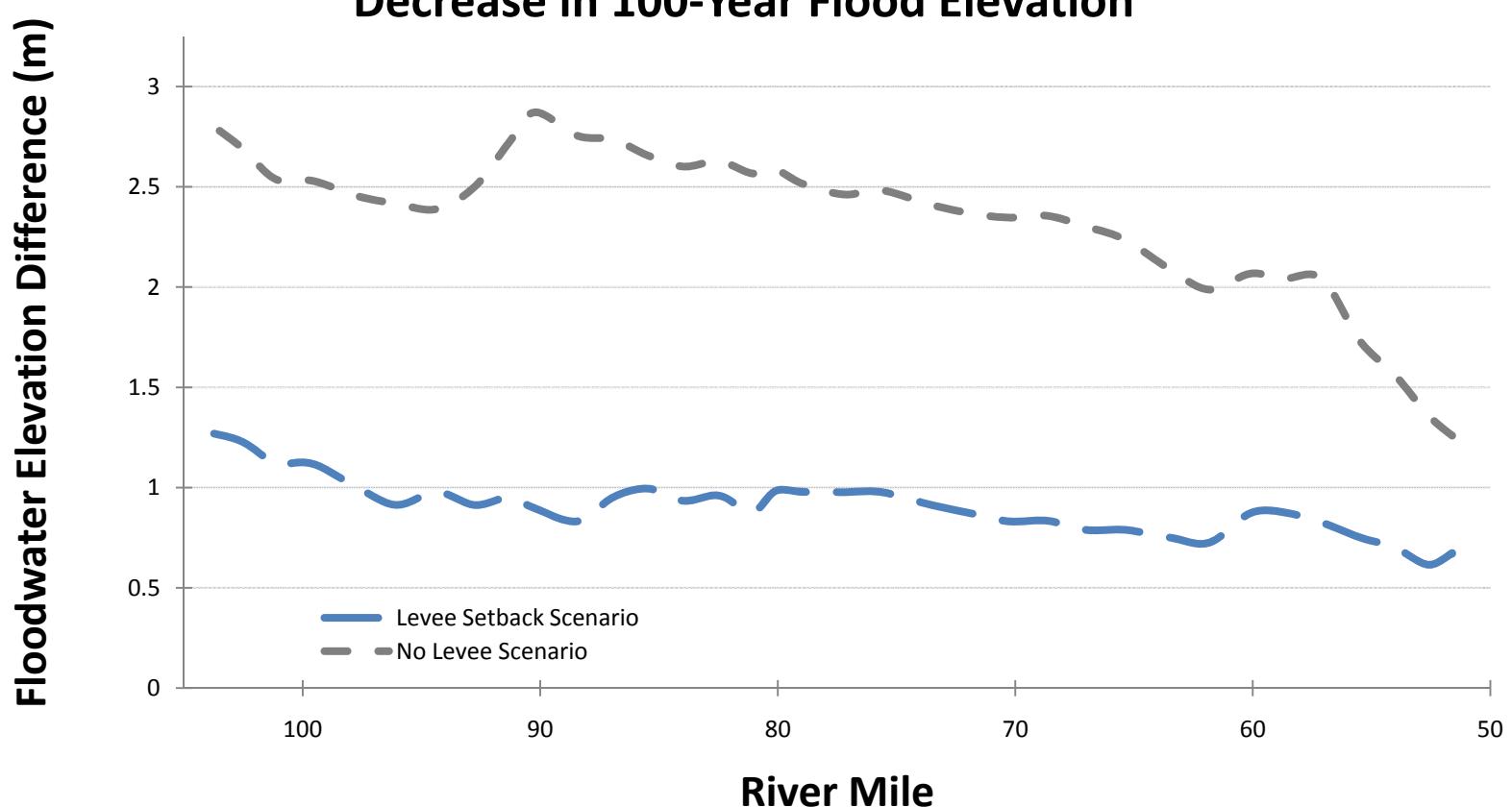
User Defined Analysis

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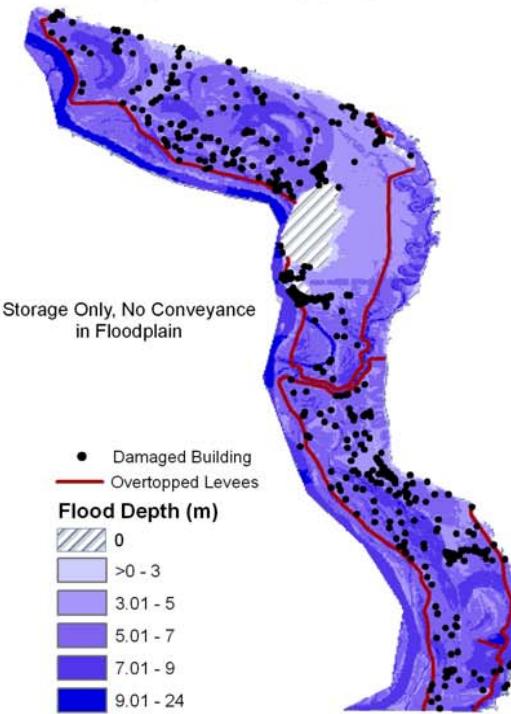
- Damaged Fire Station
- Damaged School
- Damaged Police Station
- Damaged Buildings
- Levee
- Interstate
- Highway
- River
- Municipality
- Floodplain
- Levee Setback Inundation Area



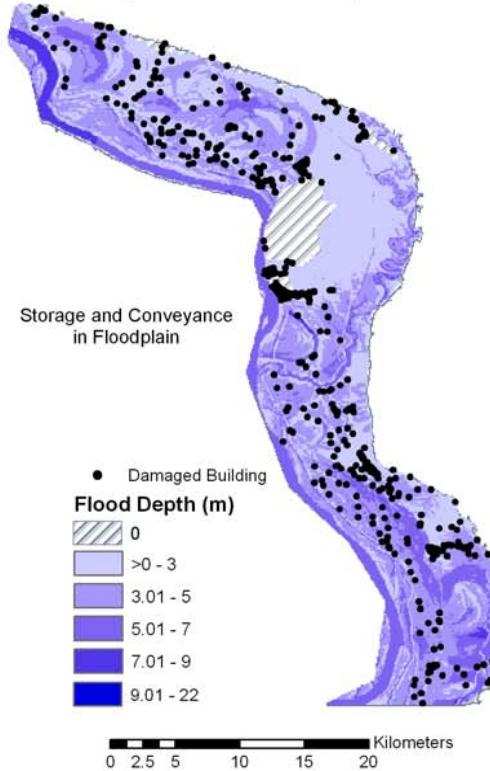
Change in Flood Stages Relative to Current Conditions (HEC-RAS Modeling)



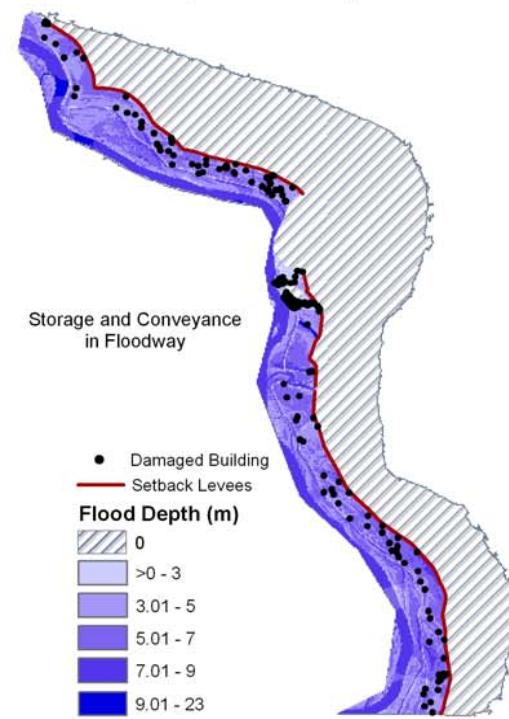
**Current Levee Scenario
(with Overtopping)**



**No Levee Scenario
(Levees Removed)**



**Levee Setback Scenario
(Levees Hold)**



| Scenario | With Levees | | No Levees | | Levee Setback |
|-------------------|--------------|----------|--------------|--------------|---------------|
| Recurrence | 100 Years | 50 Years | 100 Years | 50 Years | Buyout |
| Building Losses | \$20,156,473 | 0 | \$13,014,290 | \$11,007,597 | |
| Content Losses | \$23,966,561 | 0 | \$18,841,948 | \$17,636,770 | |
| Inventory Losses | \$15,715,664 | 0 | \$13,740,159 | \$13,427,788 | |
| Total Losses | \$59,838,698 | 0 | \$45,596,397 | \$42,072,154 | \$10,394,632 |
| Buildings Damaged | 902 | 0 | 841 | 712 | 366 |

Brookport Levee Failure





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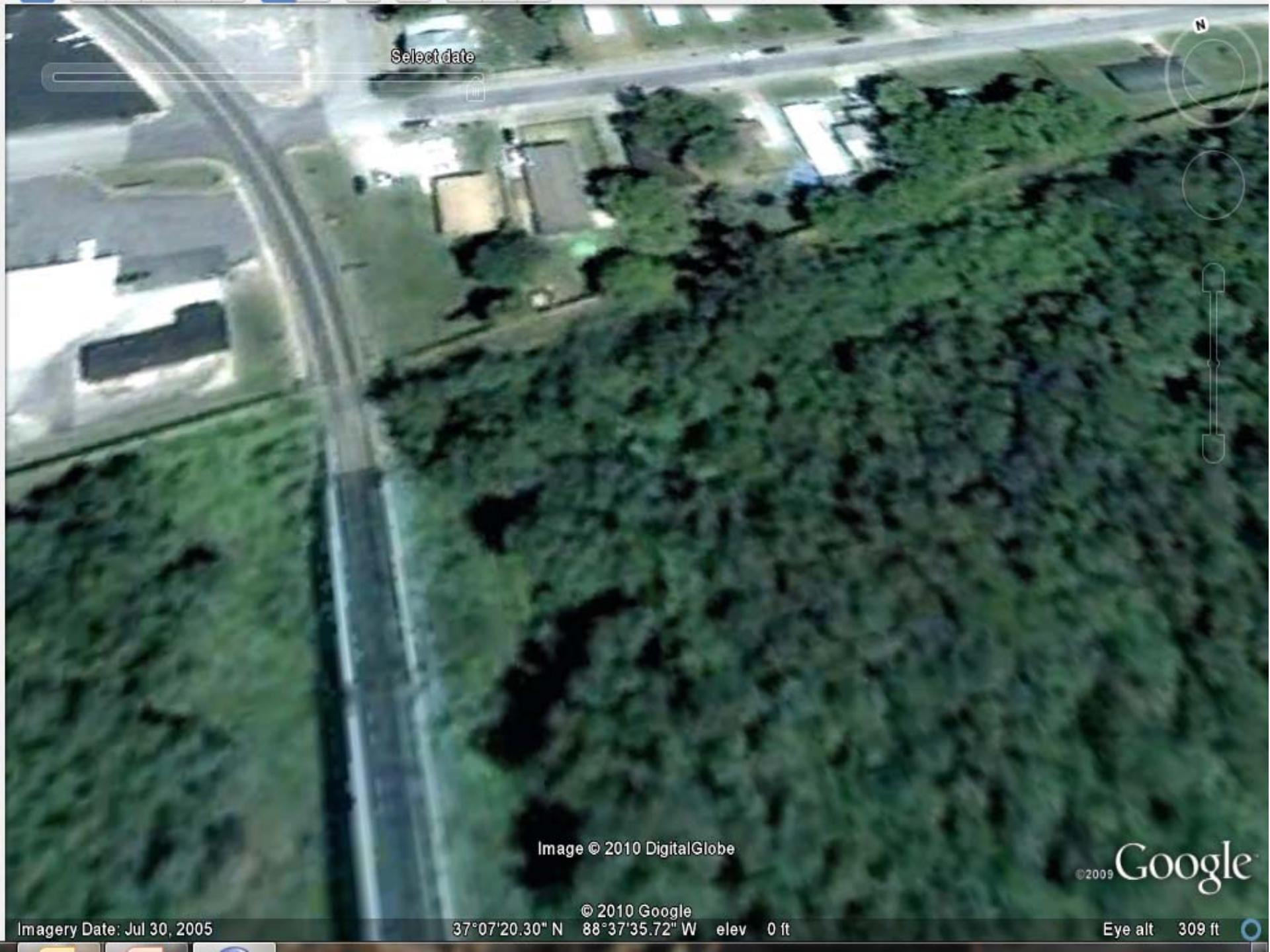
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Brookport Levee Failure: Flood Losses

| General Occupancy | Total Damaged Buildings | Total Economic Loss (X \$1000) |
|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---|
| Agricultural | 2 | \$90 |
| Commercial | 21 | \$510 |
| Exempt | 4 | \$86,968 |
| Industrial | 2 | \$41 |
| Residential | 343 | \$1,578 |
| Total | 372 | \$89,187 |