



Estimating Peak flows for Ungaged Streams Using Trail Camera Images

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Introduction

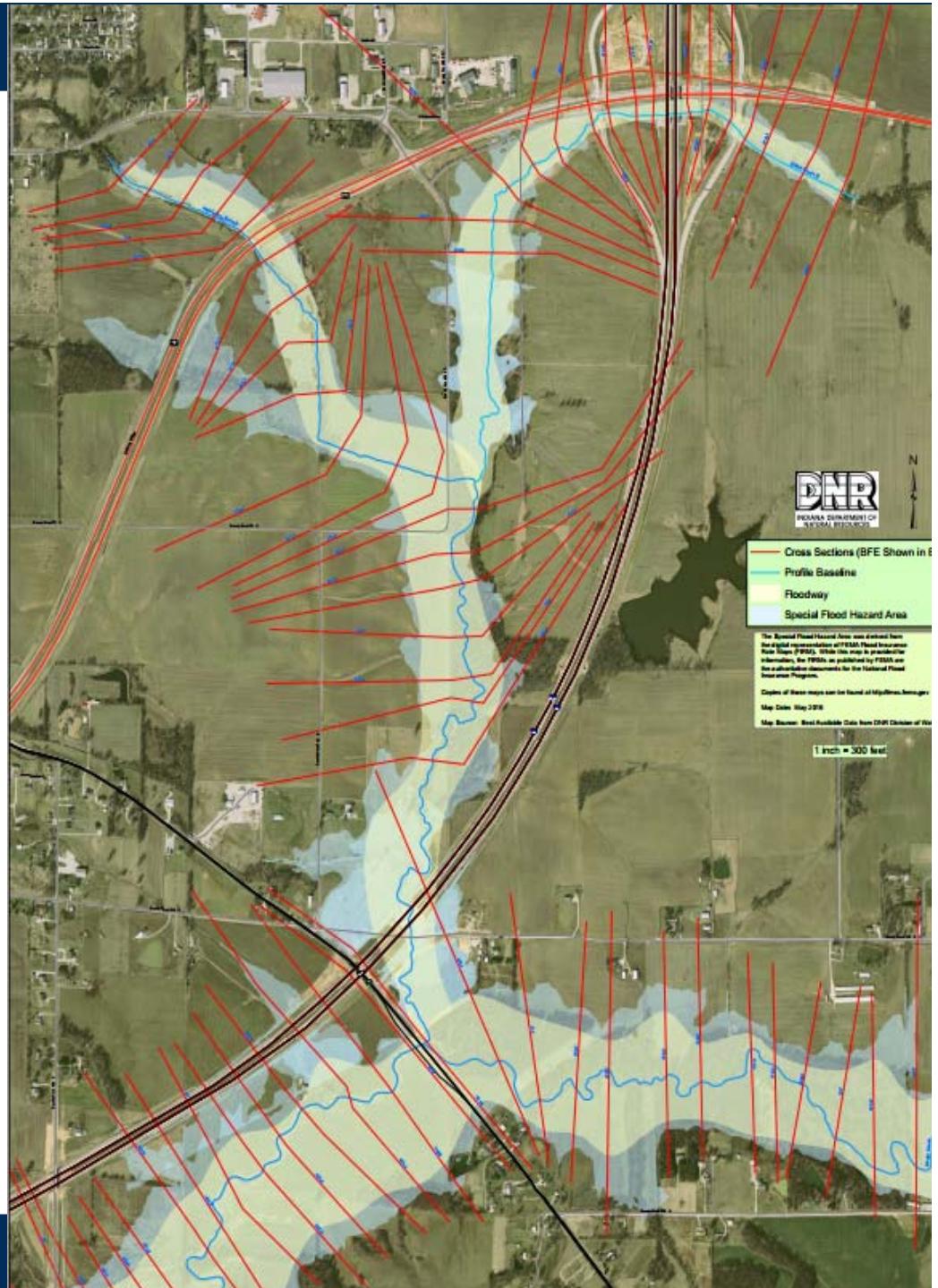
- Indiana DNR eFARA Mapping and Hydrology
- Baker builds an HMS model **Trail Camera Calibration**
- Issues with Calibration
- Inputting **Synthetic rainfall** into HMS model
- **Comparison** of Indiana DNR and Baker Flows
- Get out the Popcorn !

A developer asks... Is this IDNR Flood Study too Conservative?

IDNR Flood Map merged:

- 1) Regression Equations
- 2) No structures ("Approximate")
- 3) LiDAR channel and overbank

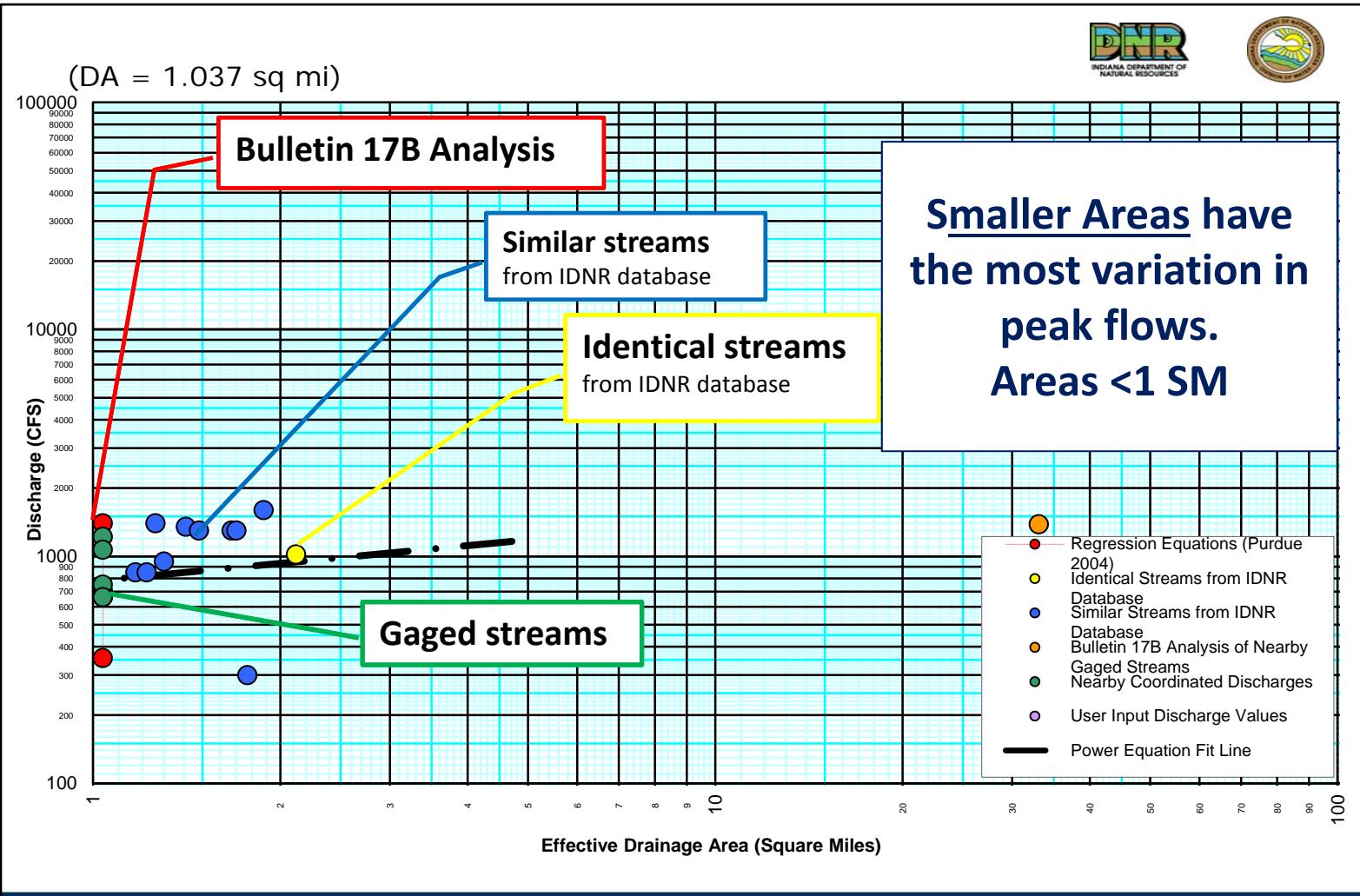
More details on how was
this model constructed?



Indiana DNR Hydrology (Peak Flows)

- Currently unmapped FEMA floodplain
- Indiana maps approximate studies upon request
 - Under the eFARA Program
- IDNR hydrology, uses several estimates:
 - Regression equations + one standard deviation
 - Use Bulletin 17B
 - Nearby gaged streams
 - Similar Stream Discharges
- Approximate with no bridges or channel survey

Existing IDNR Hydrology

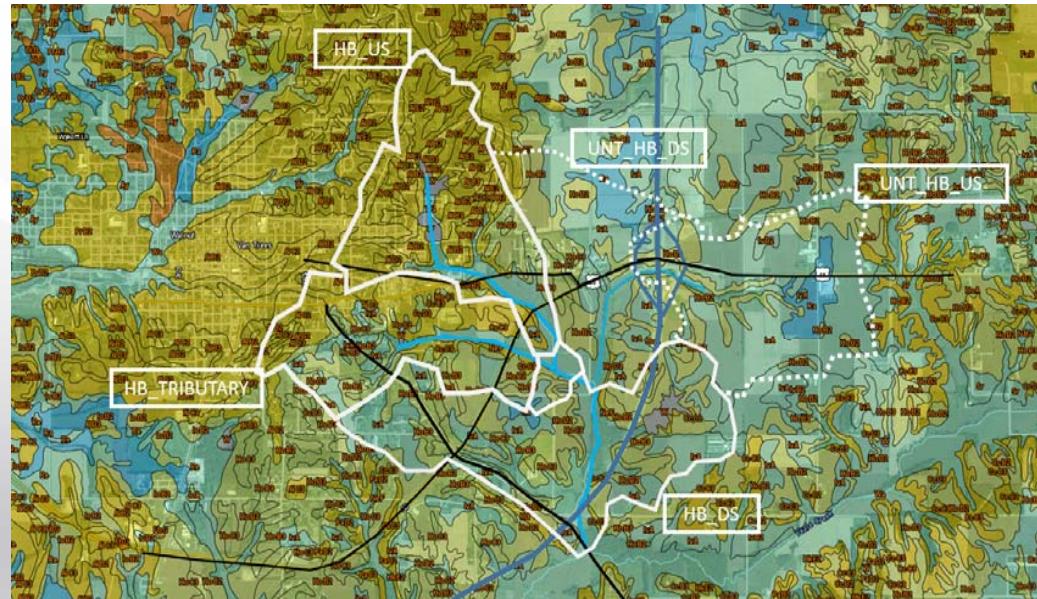
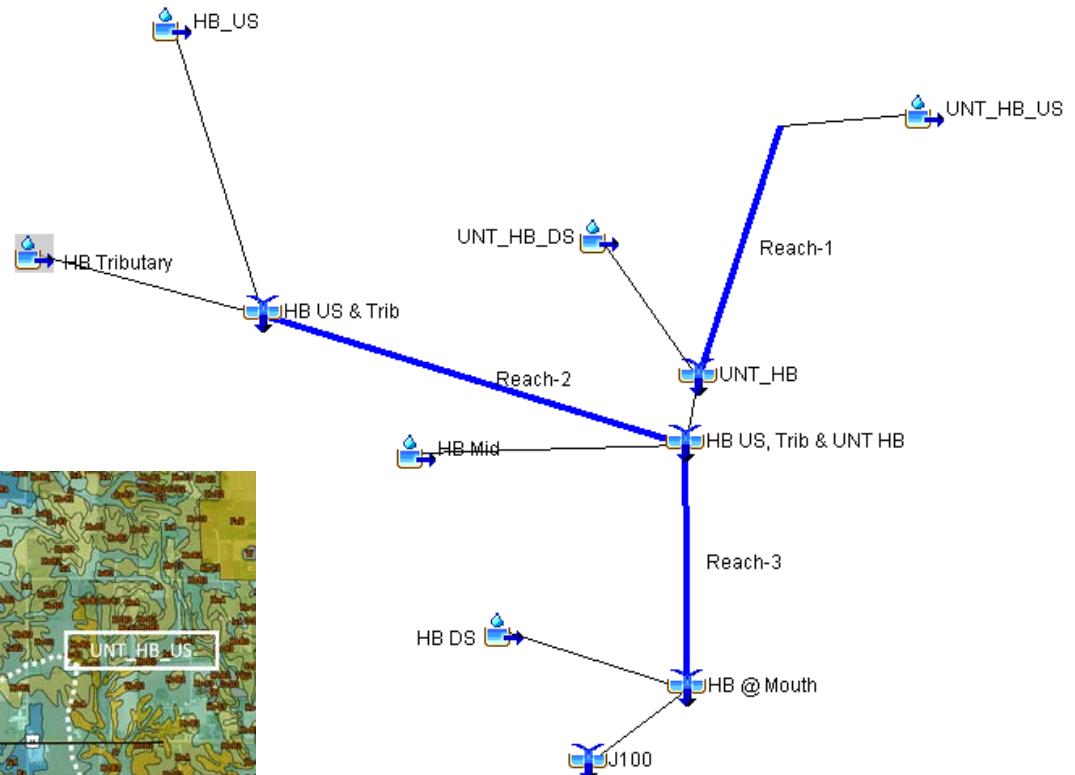


Baker Hydrology HMS Model

- Compare HMS model to IDNR hydrology
 - Bulletin 71 storms 1,3,6,12,14 Hour (Huff Quartiles)
 - Add TOC, CN of the watershed
 - Modified-Puls Channel Routing
- Detailed HEC-RAS model based on field survey and including bridges

Baker HMS Model Parameters

Watershed parameters:
Time of Concentration
CN value
Modified Puls channel routing
Used Bulletin 71 rainfall
Ran 1,3,6,12, and 24 hour storms



Need Calibration...

Trail Camera Calibration

In 2 months...calibrate with a 100 year storm?

Decided to TRY USING a trail camera

Baker Hydrology Calibration/Verification

Modeling Challenge

- 1) Rainfall spatial variability
- 2) Rainfall depth
- 3) Delta Channel water levels
- 4) Backwater effects
- 5) Pre-storm moisture
- 6) Does 100 yr. rain = 100 yr. runoff

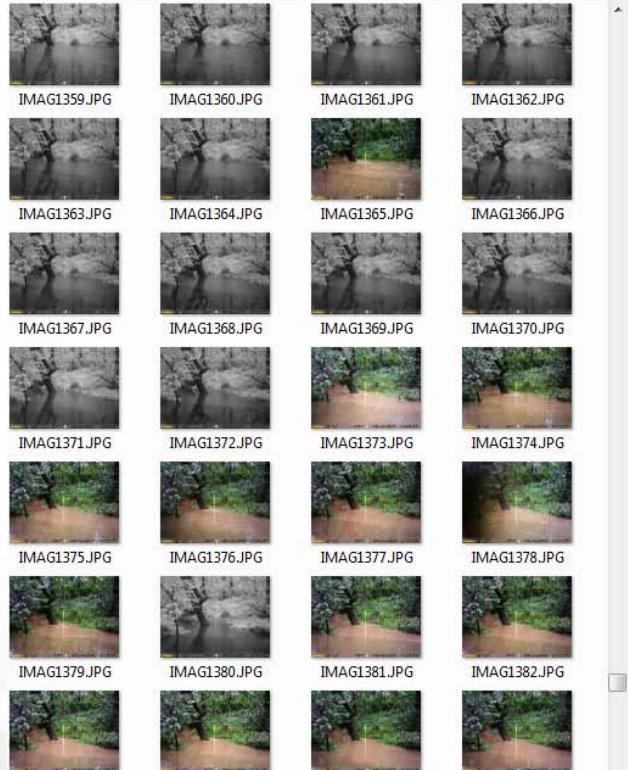
Modeling Answer

- Daily/Hourly NOAA Radar
NOAA and CoCoRAS
- Trail Camera
HEC-RAS Model
AMC 1,2 or 3 ?
Almost Never

Trail Camera Specifications



\$145 trail camera capable of taking 5 minute interval
Day and night pictures for 3 months (IR lens)
Need 32 GB SD card



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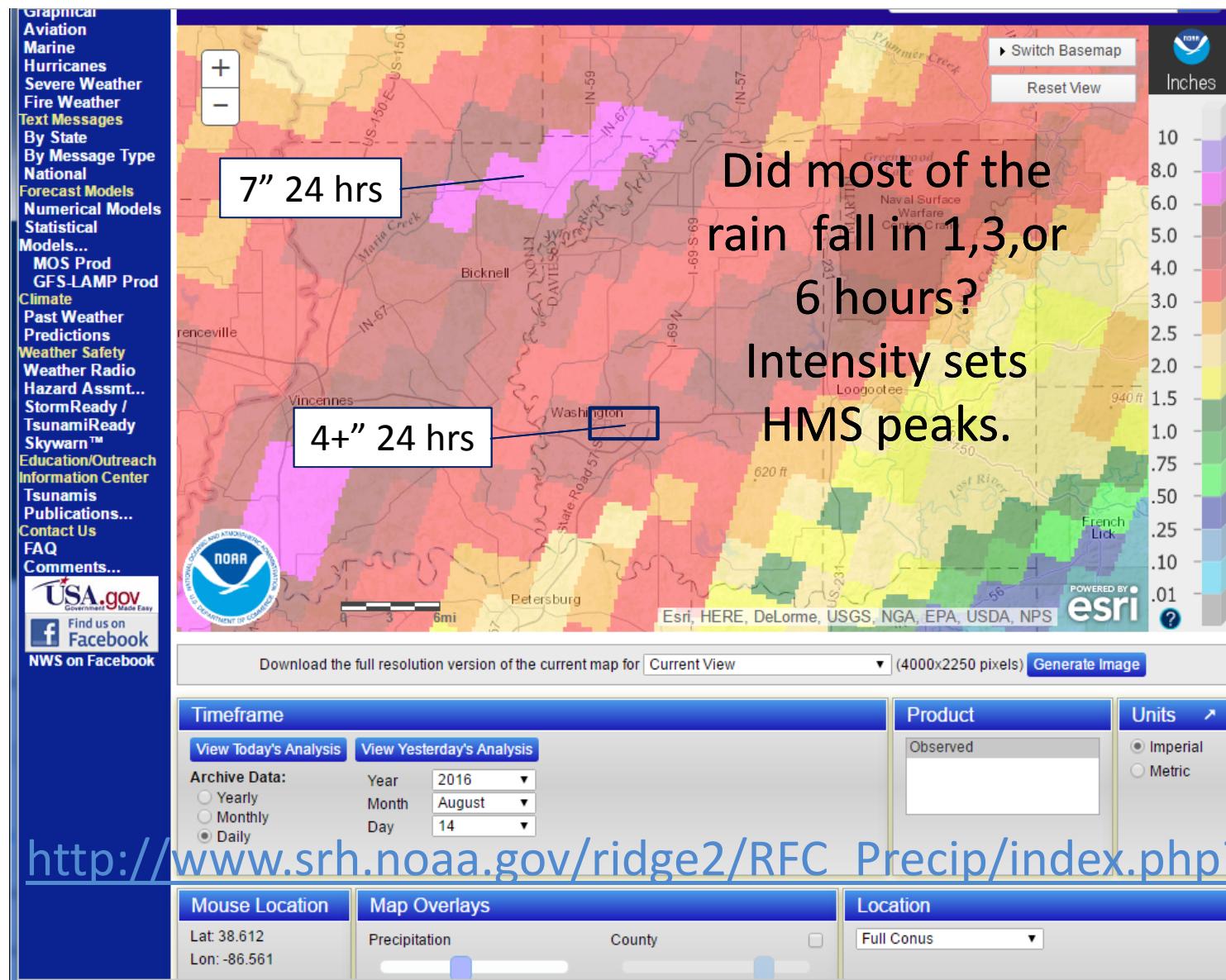
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Camera pictures every 5 minutes... lots of images! See staff markings

For this study... it rained hard... on August 13 and 14th
Documented Dramatic pictures, a 6 foot rise in water level

Camera Locations and Watersheds







NOAA Atlas 14, Volume 2, Version 3
 Location name: Washington, Indiana, US*
 Latitude: 38.6414°, Longitude: -87.1106°
 Elevation: 490 ft*
 * source: Google Maps



POINT PRECIPITATION FREQUENCY ESTIMATES

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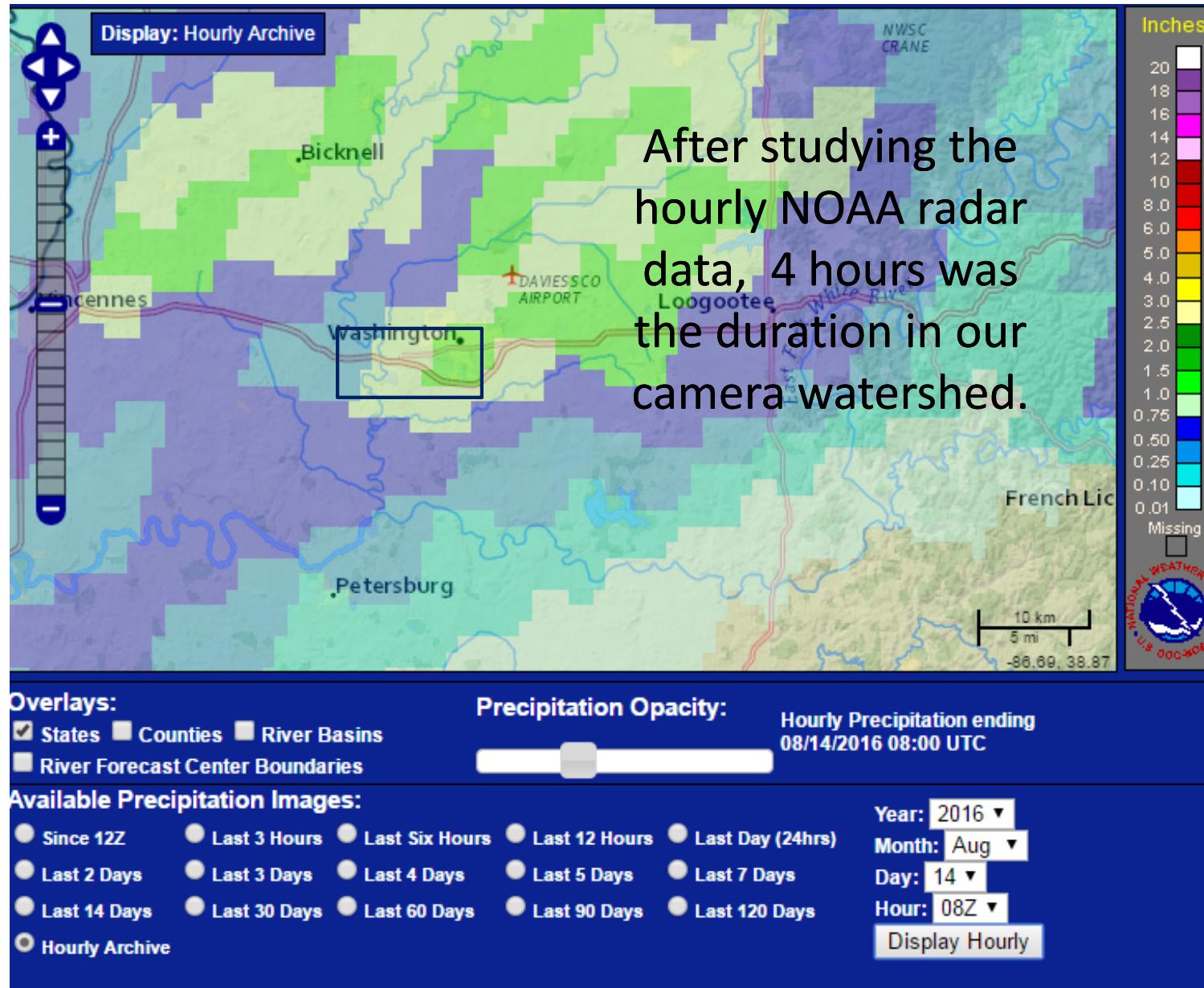
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Storm Duration	1	6	24
Rain Depth	2 inches	7yr	1 yr
4 inches	500yr	25yr	5yr
6 inches	2000yr	400yr	50yr

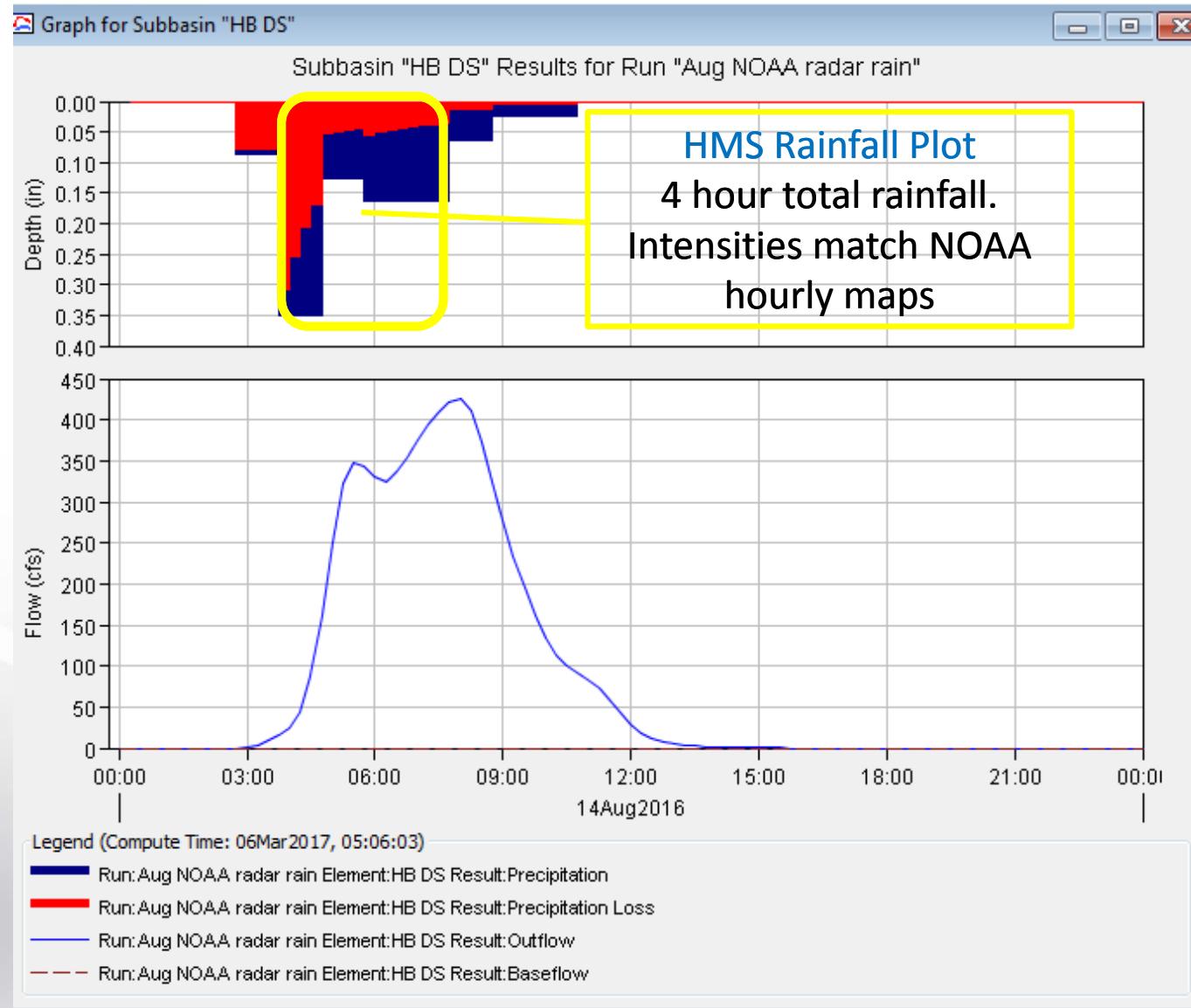
PF tabular

Duration	Average recurrence interval (years)									
	1	2	5	10	25	50	100	200	500	1000
5-min	0.395 (0.364–0.431)	0.469 (0.431–0.512)	0.556 (0.511–0.607)	0.626 (0.573–0.682)	0.715 (0.652–0.778)	0.785 (0.713–0.854)	0.853 (0.770–0.928)	0.925 (0.830–1.01)	1.02 (0.908–1.11)	1.09 (0.964–1.19)
10-min	0.614 (0.565–0.670)	0.732 (0.672–0.799)	0.864 (0.794–0.943)	0.966 (0.885–1.05)	1.09 (0.997–1.19)	1.19 (1.08–1.29)	1.28 (1.16–1.40)	1.38 (1.24–1.50)	1.50 (1.33–1.63)	1.59 (1.40–1.73)
15-min	0.753 (0.693–0.821)	0.895 (0.822–0.977)	1.06 (0.975–1.16)	1.19 (1.09–1.29)	1.35 (1.23–1.47)	1.47 (1.34–1.60)	1.60 (1.44–1.74)	1.72 (1.54–1.87)	1.87 (1.67–2.04)	1.99 (1.76–2.17)
30-min	0.996 (0.916–1.09)	1.20 (1.10–1.31)	1.45 (1.34–1.59)	1.65 (1.51–1.80)	1.91 (1.74–2.08)	2.11 (1.91–2.29)	2.30 (2.08–2.51)	2.51 (2.25–2.73)	2.77 (2.47–3.02)	2.98 (2.63–3.25)
60-min	1.22 (1.12–1.33)	1.47 (1.35–1.61)	1.82 (1.68–1.99)	2.10 (1.92–2.29)	2.47 (2.26–2.69)	2.77 (2.52–3.02)	3.08 (2.78–3.35)	3.40 (3.05–3.70)	3.84 (3.41–4.18)	4.18 (3.70–4.56)
2-hr	1.45 (1.33–1.58)	1.75 (1.61–1.92)	2.20 (2.01–2.39)	2.55 (2.33–2.78)	3.03 (2.75–3.30)	3.43 (3.10–3.73)	3.84 (3.45–4.17)	4.27 (3.82–4.64)	4.87 (4.31–5.30)	5.35 (4.70–5.83)
3-hr	1.55 (1.42–1.69)	1.87 (1.72–2.04)	2.35 (2.15–2.56)	2.73 (2.49–2.97)	3.27 (2.97–3.59)	3.71 (3.36–4.04)	4.18 (3.76–4.54)	4.68 (4.18–5.08)	5.38 (4.75–5.84)	5.95 (5.20–6.46)
6-hr	1.87 (1.72–2.05)	2.26 (2.08–2.48)	2.82 (2.59–3.09)	3.29 (3.01–3.60)	3.94 (3.58–4.30)	4.48 (4.04–4.88)	5.05 (4.53–5.49)	5.65 (5.04–6.14)	6.50 (5.72–7.07)	7.19 (6.27–7.83)
12-hr	2.22 (2.05–2.42)	2.68 (2.47–2.93)	3.32 (3.06–3.62)	3.84 (3.52–4.18)	4.57 (4.18–4.97)	5.17 (4.70–5.61)	5.79 (5.24–6.29)	6.45 (5.80–7.00)	7.37 (6.56–8.01)	8.11 (7.16–8.82)
24-hr	2.68 (2.51–2.87)	3.21 (3.00–3.44)	3.96 (3.71–4.25)	4.56 (4.26–4.89)	5.41 (5.02–5.80)	6.09 (5.62–6.55)	6.80 (6.24–7.34)	7.54 (6.86–8.17)	8.57 (7.71–9.36)	9.40 (8.35–10.3)

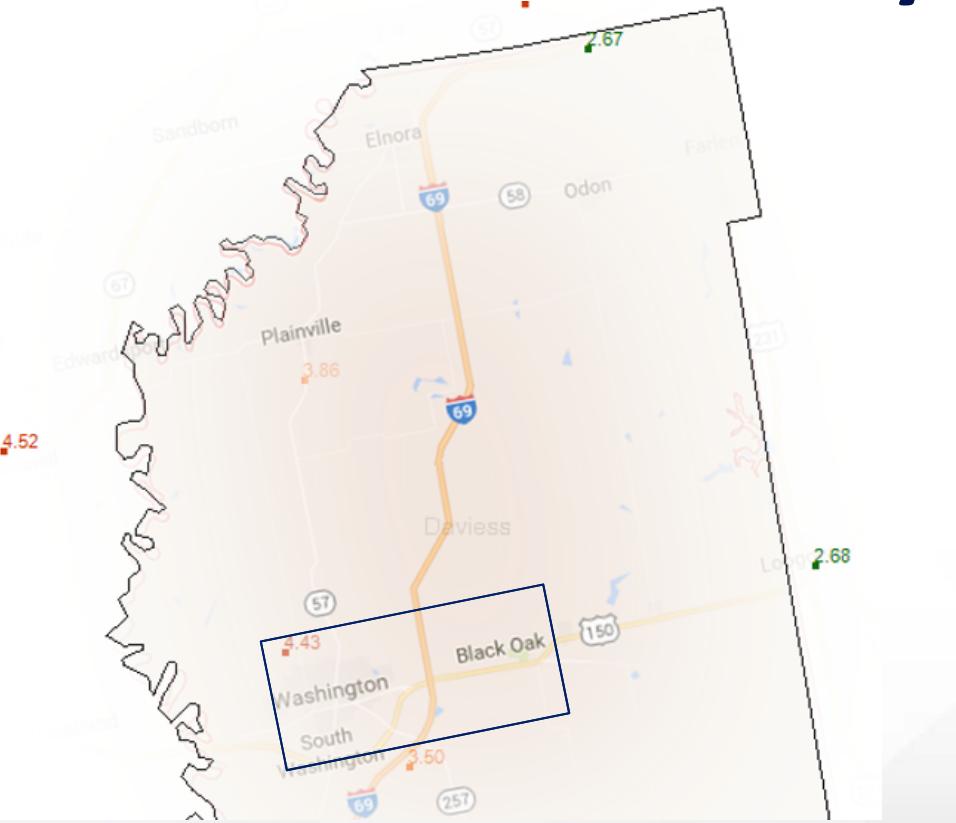
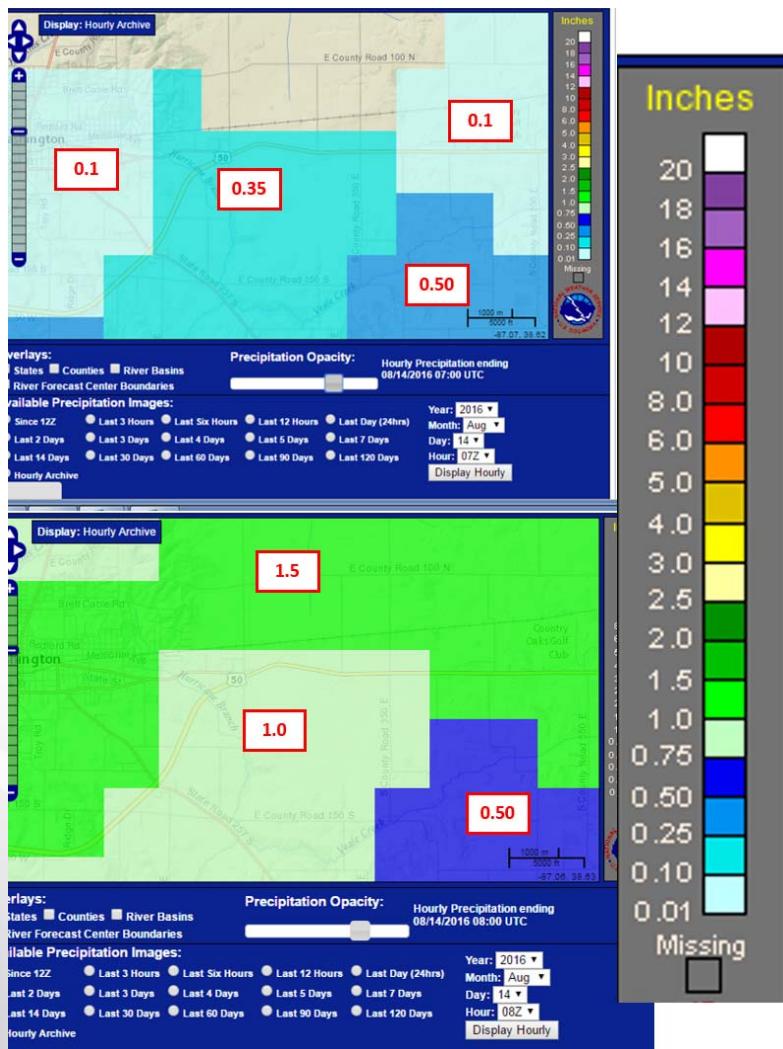
Aug 14th Storm
appears to be
about here.



We Make a Difference



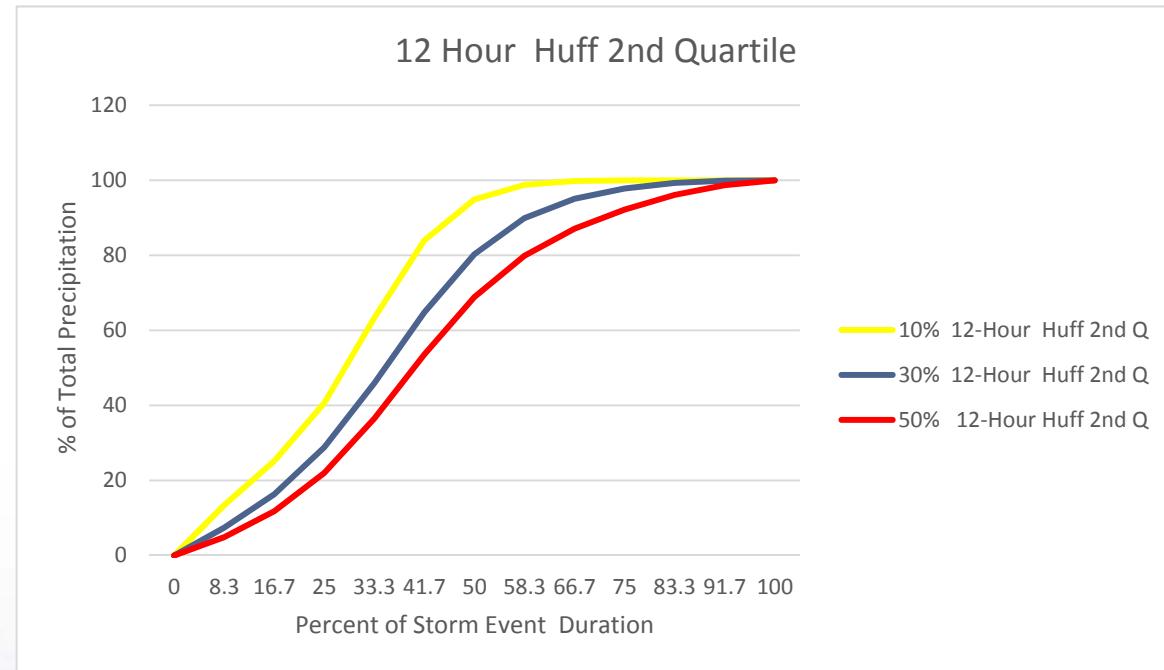
NOAA Intensities CoCoRAHS Daily



CoCoRAHS Aug 14 rain totals

NOAA Hourly Aug 14 rain totals (During Peaks)

Inputting Huff Quartiles or **ANY** Synthetic Rainfall Distribution



Exact synthetic rainfall varies:

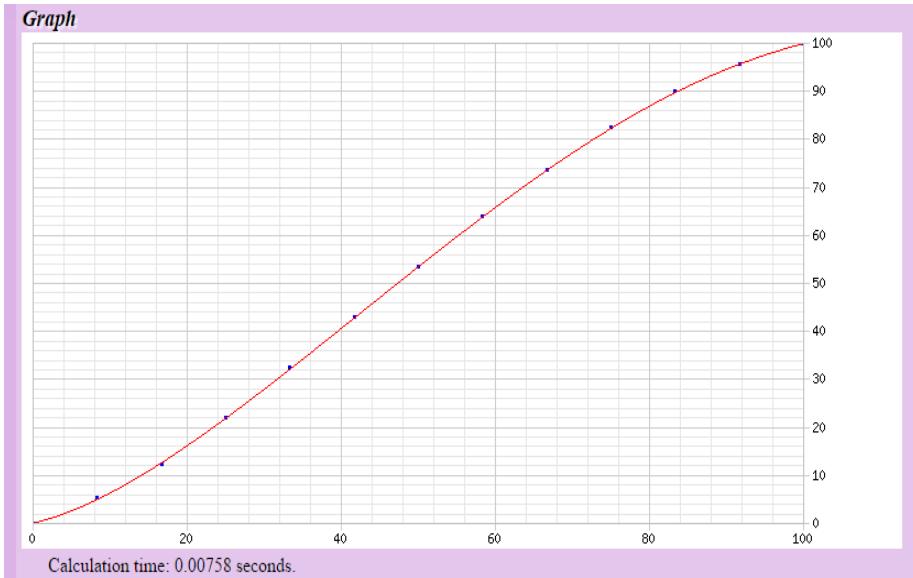
- 1) # increments (5 min or 15 min)
- 2) total rainfall amount (5.4")

Huff Rainfall Quartiles

Synthetic Regulatory rainfall

			Cumulative Rainfall					Incremental Rainfall								
			Total (Min)	60	180	360	720	1440	Total (Min)	60	180	360	720	1440		
			100 Year	1 HR	3 HR	6 HR	12 HR	24 HR	100 Year	1 HR	3 HR	6 HR	12 HR	24 HR		
			Rain Total	3.6	4.7	5.8	6.3	7.4	Rain Total	3.6	4.7	5.8	6.3	7.4		
			Percent Rain	Increm MIN	3	9	18	36	72	Percent Rain	Increm MIN	3	9	18	36	72
% Time	HUFF 1	HUFF 2	HUFF 3	% Time	HUFF 1	HUFF 1	HUFF 1	HUFF 2	HUFF 3	% Time	HUFF 1	HUFF 1	HUFF 1	HUFF 2	HUFF 3	
5	8	3	3	5	0.29	0.38	0.46	0.19	0.22	5	0.29	0.38	0.46	0.19	0.22	
10	17	8	6	10	0.61	0.80	0.99	0.50	0.44	10	0.32	0.42	0.52	0.32	0.22	
15	34	12	9	15	1.22	1.60	1.97	0.76	0.67	15	0.61	0.80	0.99	0.25	0.22	
20	50	16	12	20	1.80	2.35	2.90	1.01	0.89	20	0.58	0.75	0.93	0.25	0.22	
25	63	22	15	25	2.27	2.96	3.65	1.39	1.11	25	0.47	0.61	0.75	0.38	0.22	
30	71	29	19	30	2.56	3.34	4.12	1.83	1.41	30	0.29	0.38	0.46	0.44	0.30	
35	76	39	23	35	2.74	3.57	4.41	2.46	1.70	35	0.18	0.24	0.29	0.63	0.30	
40	80	51	27	40	2.88	3.76	4.64	3.21	2.00	40	0.14	0.19	0.23	0.76	0.30	
45	83	62	32	45	2.99	3.90	4.81	3.91	2.37	45	0.11	0.14	0.17	0.69	0.37	
50	86	70	38	50	3.10	4.04	4.99	4.41	2.81	50	0.11	0.14	0.17	0.50	0.44	
55	88	76	45	55	3.17	4.14	5.10	4.79	3.33	55	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.38	0.52	
60	90	81	57	60	3.24	4.23	5.22	5.10	4.22	60	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.32	0.89	
65	92	85	70	65	3.31	4.32	5.34	5.36	5.18	65	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.25	0.96	
70	93	88	79	70	3.35	4.37	5.39	5.54	5.85	70	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.19	0.67	
75	95	91	85	75	3.42	4.47	5.51	5.73	6.29	75	0.07	0.09	0.12	0.19	0.44	
80	96	93	89	80	3.46	4.51	5.57	5.86	6.59	80	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.13	0.30	
85	97	95	92	85	3.49	4.56	5.63	5.99	6.81	85	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.13	0.22	
90	98	97	95	90	3.53	4.61	5.68	6.11	7.03	90	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.13	0.22	
95	99	98	97	95	3.56	4.65	5.74	6.17	7.18	95	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.06	0.15	
100	100	100	100	100	3.60	4.70	5.80	6.30	7.40	100	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.13	0.22	
			Cumulative Rainfall					Incremental Rainfall								
			3.60	4.70	5.80	6.30	7.40		3.60	4.70	5.80	6.30	7.40			

Website for Polynomial functions



WEBSITE
[http://polynomialregression.
drque.net/online.php](http://polynomialregression.drque.net/online.php)

A function allows you to quickly input
SYNTHETIC storm durations and total
rainfall amounts.

$$(x) = 0.06397664537591213 + 0.23518034487206948x + 0.05389097577613207x^2 - 0.002716097844729224x^3 + 0.00004988566809444414x^4 - 1.5015740940882e-7x^5 - 3.3147040978e-9x^6 + 2.081404341e-11x^7$$

7th order polynomial equation that approximates
All the Quartiles (Above is the Huff 2nd Quartile 50% curve).

Left Col= Actual Storm % (time)
Right Col= Huff Distribution of Actual Storm %

P o l y n o m i a l R e g r e s s i o n

A PHP regression class

Data entry

0	0
8.3	5.3
16.7	12.3
25	22
33.3	32.3
41.7	42.8
50	53.4
58.3	63.8
66.7	73.5
75	82.3

Actual Storm %

Huff Distribution of Actual Storm

\t Column separator (NOTE: \t for tab).

\n Row separator (NOTE: \n means a new line).

Show equation.

Show coefficients.

Show graph.

Show R² (**Coefficient of determination**).

Show examples.

Use weighting.

Force coefficients.

7 coefficients, Sextic/hexic regression ▾

Submit

Function

$$f(x) = 0.06868188461417553 + 0.3821290309035111x + 0.029495854038151127x^2 - 0.0005059033177976044x^3 + 0.00000545822280320876x^4 - 3.877489782502e-8x^5 + 1.1454468985e-10x^6$$

F(x) =Huff distribution of
actual storm %
X=Actual storm %

Synthetic Rainfall by Polynomials

USE the Polynomial website to get equation

Edit out all spaces in equation pasted

Substitute “x” for cell reference

Place Percentage of storm left

Place Huff Quartile polynomial to Right

Copy polynomial cells with total rainfall %

Will provide excel sample spreadsheet

TOTAL RAIN=	4.18
3 Hr Storm	
5 Min time step	
36 Intervals	
0	0.000
2.778	0.285
5.556	0.597
8.334	0.917
11.112	1.234
13.89	1.538
16.668	1.823
19.446	2.084
22.224	2.319
25.002	2.529
27.78	2.712

Polynomial Accuracy

% Storm	Actual NOAA			
	X-val	% Rain From Equation	% Rain Y-Val	% accurate
0	0	0	0.00	1.00%
8.3		5.21%	4.90	1.063%
16.7		11.31%	11.80	0.959%
25		22.07%	22.00	1.003%
33.3		36.96%	36.50	1.013%
41.7		53.53%	53.60	0.999%
50		68.44%	68.90	0.993%
58.3		79.90%	79.90	1.000%
66.7		87.54%	87.10	1.005%
75		92.20%	92.20	1.000%
83.3		95.68%	96.10	0.996%
91.7		98.98%	98.70	1.003%
100		99.94%	100.00	0.999%

Huff 2nd Quartile 50% Percentile curve

7th order
polynomial
equation
accuracy is
excellent.

IDNR Flows very Conservative

100 Year PEAK FLOWS BAKER HMS MODELING SIMULATION RESULTS (Atlas 14 + Huff Quartiles)

Watershed and Reaches	Watershed SM	SIM= 1 HR	SIM= 3 HR	SIM= 6 HR	SIM= 12 HR	SIM= 24 HR	IDNR Flows	Percent Drop
HB_US	1.24	689	783	703	511	390	1320	59%
HB Tributary	1.04	819	813	668	454	335		
HB US & Trib	2.28	1375	1495	1329	954	722		
Reach-2	2.28	918	1158	1125	894	706	1810	64%
UNT_HB_US	1.24	528	659	621	484	382	1030	64%
Reach-1	1.24	314	460	479	424	361		
UNT_HB_DS	0.97	461	552	508	386	301		
UNT_HB	2.21	684	888	897	774	651	1380	65%
HB Mid	0.09	126	96	70	43	30		
HB US, Trib & UNT HB	4.58	1602	2071	2041	1694	1384		
Reach-3	4.58	953	1488	1616	1488	1312		
HB DS	1.42	951	1012	868	611	456		
HB @ Mouth	6.00	1278	1802	1997	1903	1709	2840	70%
J100	6.00	1278	1802	1997	1903	1709		
Peak Flows are in Red Font Shape Factor = 484 on all Basins.								



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Questions?

