

# Stormwater: Too Simple?

## **Integrated Stormwater Management for Future Resiliency**

# Proposal: All MS4 Phase 1 Permittees Must Develop a System-Wide H&H Model

Criteria and protocols exist for stormwater management design of individual facilities/developments.

But, there is a need to evaluate the system holistically on a system-wide, watershed level.



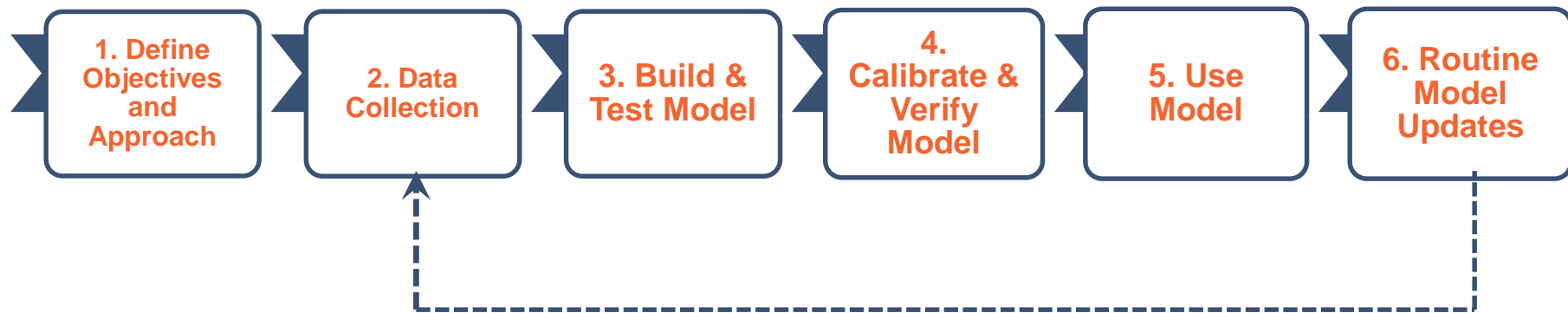
# Benefits of Integrated Watershed Developments

## Key Decision-Support System

- Characterize Stormwater Quantity and Quality
  - Identify capacity limitations which create flooding
  - Evaluate Stormwater Management Strategies
  - Quantify Point and Non-Point Pollutant Loadings to receiving waters
- Optimize Stormwater Management Planning and Design
  - Quantification of Performance vs. Goals
- Optimize System Operation
- Evaluate New Development/Redevelopment



# General Steps to H&H Model Development



# Start Simple, Add Complexity Over Time

## Near-Term Objectives

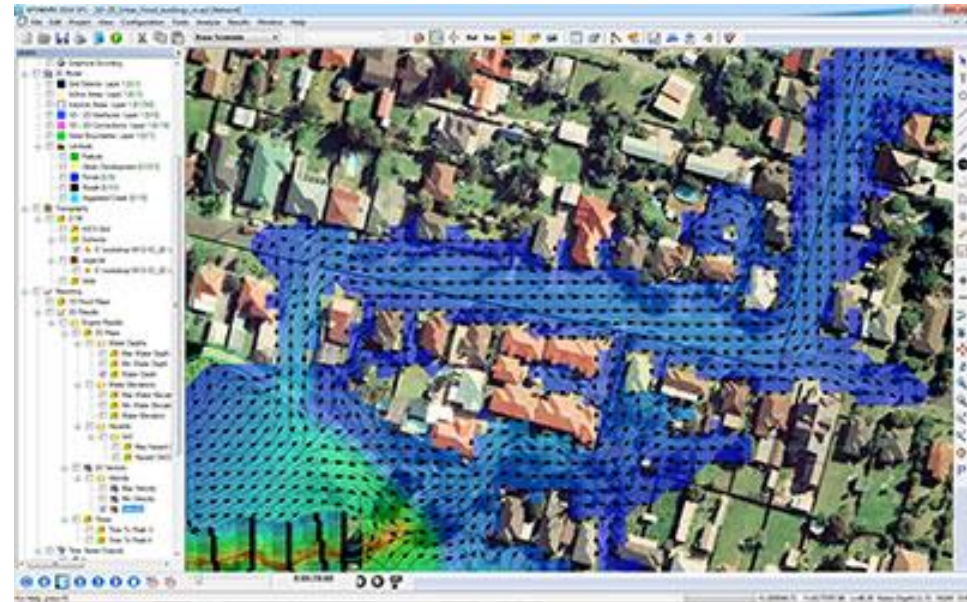
- Build & Populate Stormwater GIS
  - Record Drawings & Field Inspections
- Develop Storm Sewer System Model to determine Quantity
- Model Watershed Surface in known flood-prone areas



# Start Simple, Add Complexity Over Time

## Long-Term Objectives

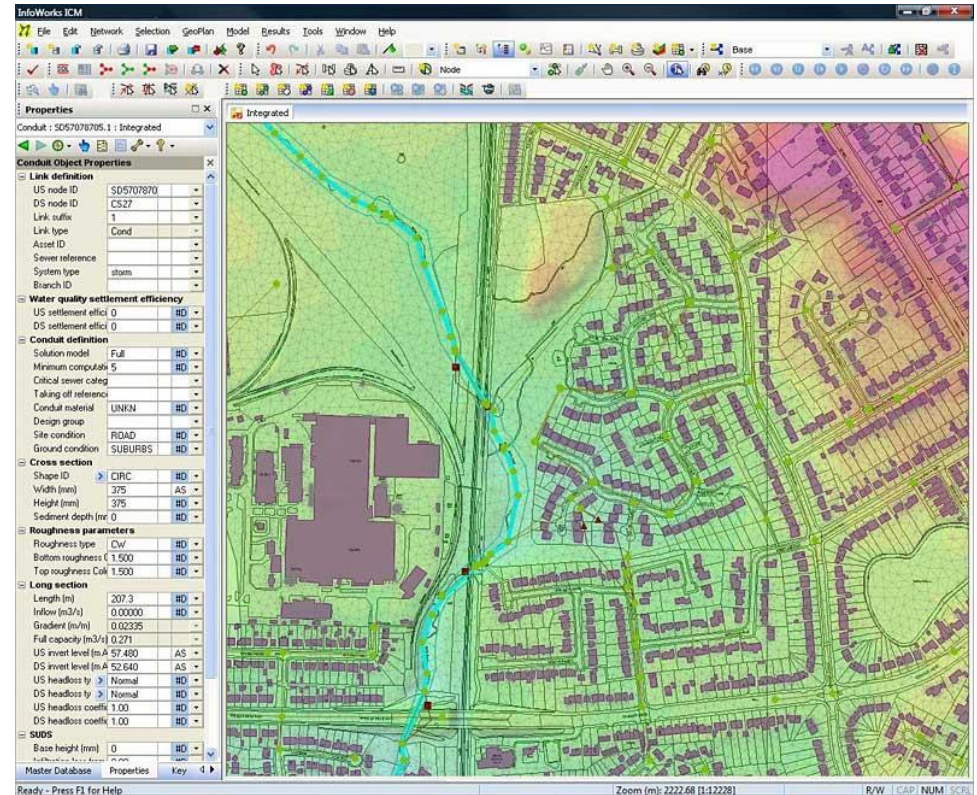
- Develop a model of the entire watershed
- Include Water Quality
  - Build-Up/Wash Off
  - Transport/Settling
  - EMCs for runoff



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# Components of 1D Hydraulic Model

- Inlets/CBs
- Outfalls/outlets
- Manholes
- BMPs
- Storm Drains
- Culverts
- Pump Stations
- Storage Facilities
- Channels/Watercourses



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# 2D Surface Model

2D Mesh (TIN or Grid)  
generated from LiDAR  
data

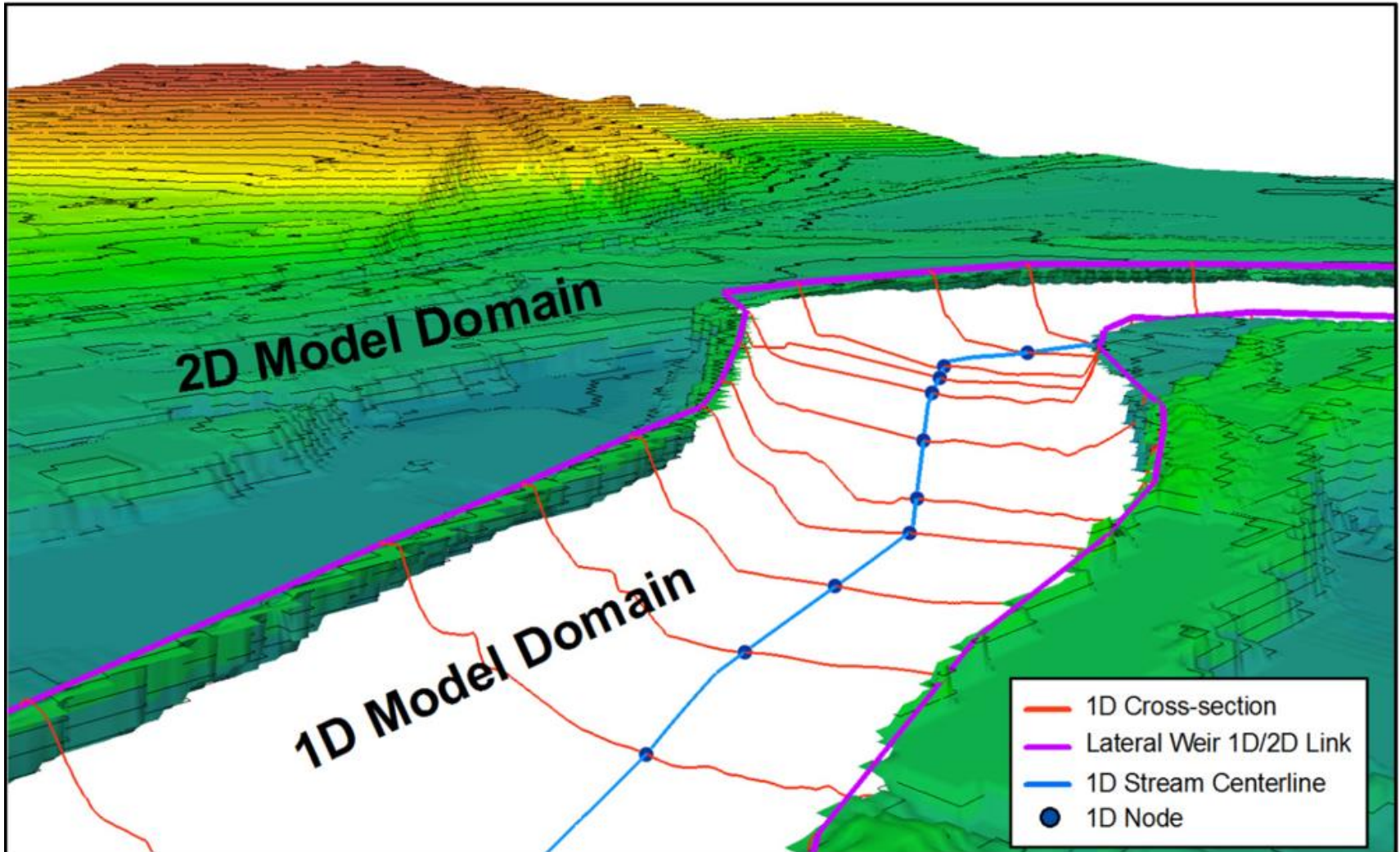
High-res LiDAR data is  
available for most of MD  
from DNR and/or NOAA

2D Model is enhanced  
to account for surface  
features, e.g., bldg.  
footprints, roads, walls,  
fences



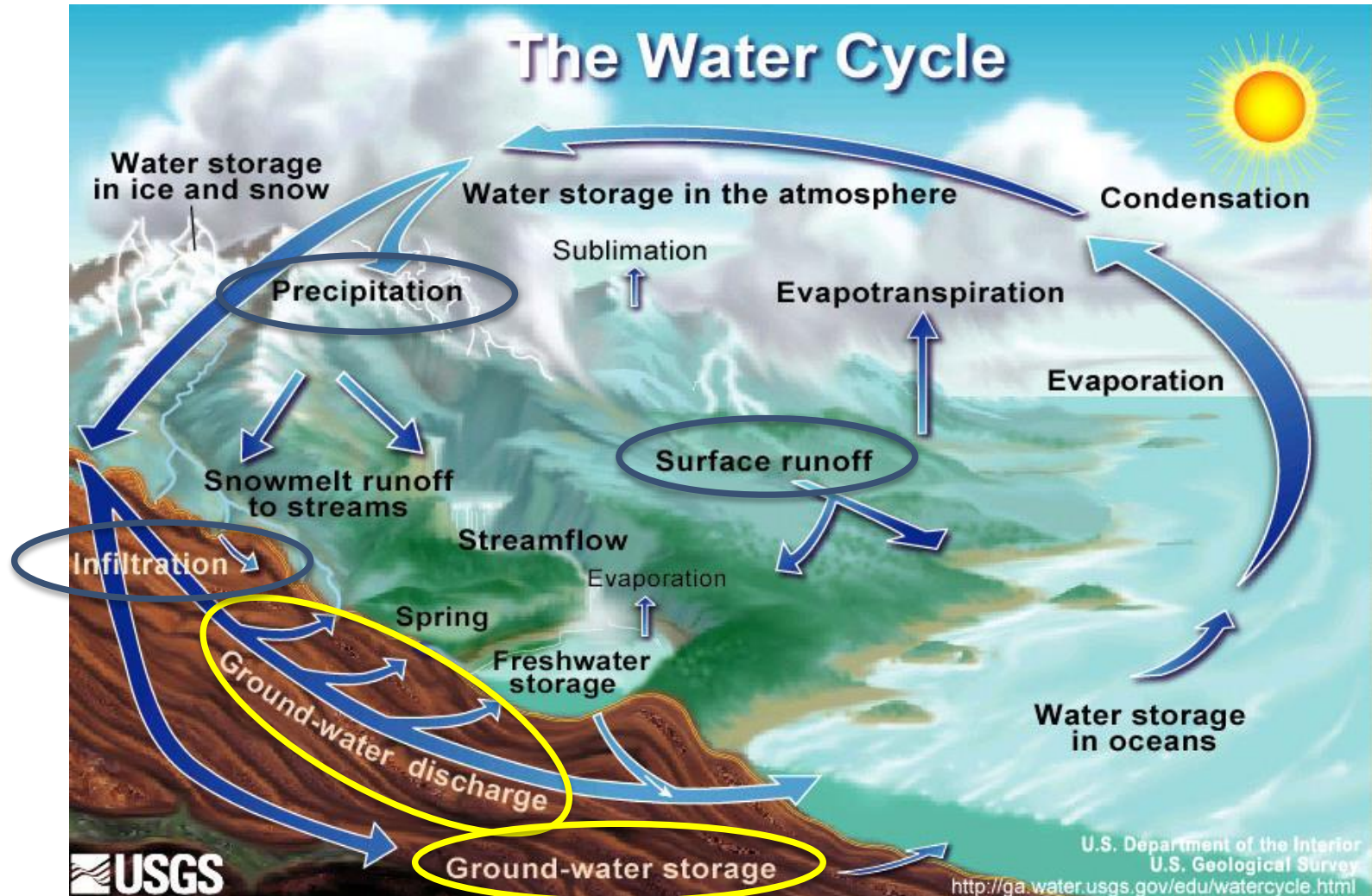


# Dynamic Linkage Between 1D-2D Models



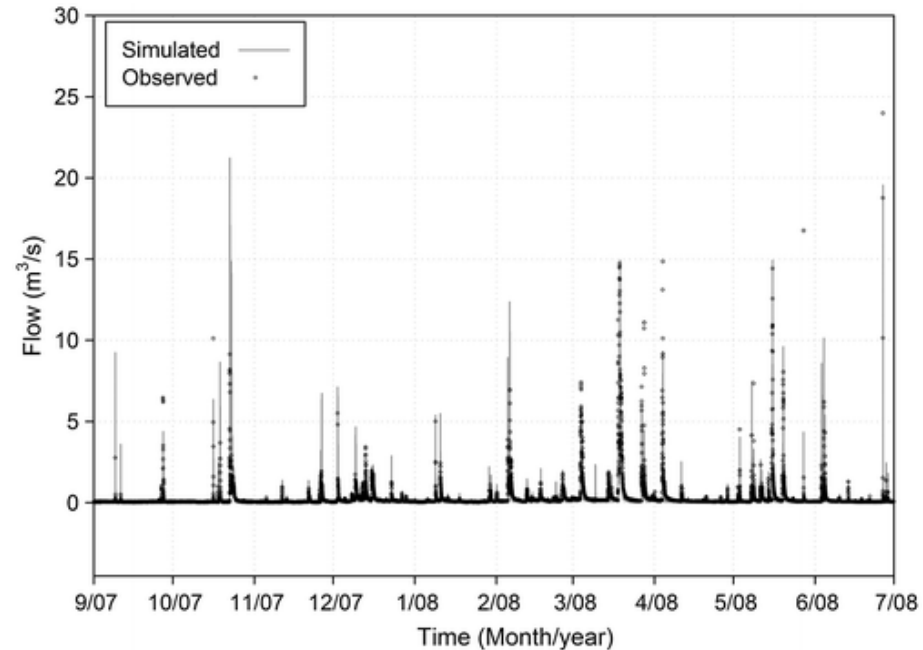
Gilles, et. al., "Inundation Mapping Initiatives of the Iowa Flood Center: Statewide Coverage: Detailed Urban Analysis", Water 2012, 4(i), 85-106.

# Hydrologic Model



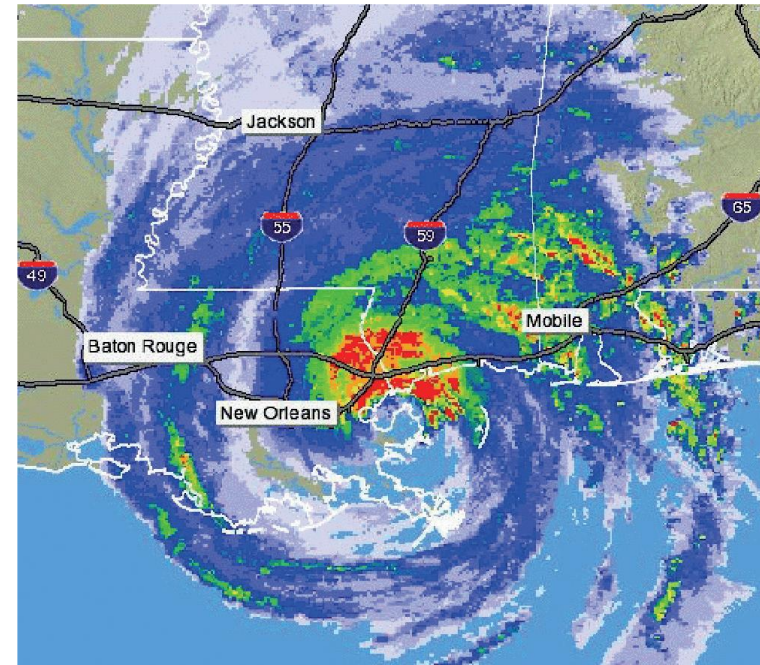
# Model Calibration and Validation

- Model must be calibrated and validated to ensure accuracy
- Streamflow/stage data, GW gauges, high water marks, permanent rain gauges, water quality data
- Useful to install temporary network of flow monitors, rain gauges and samplers



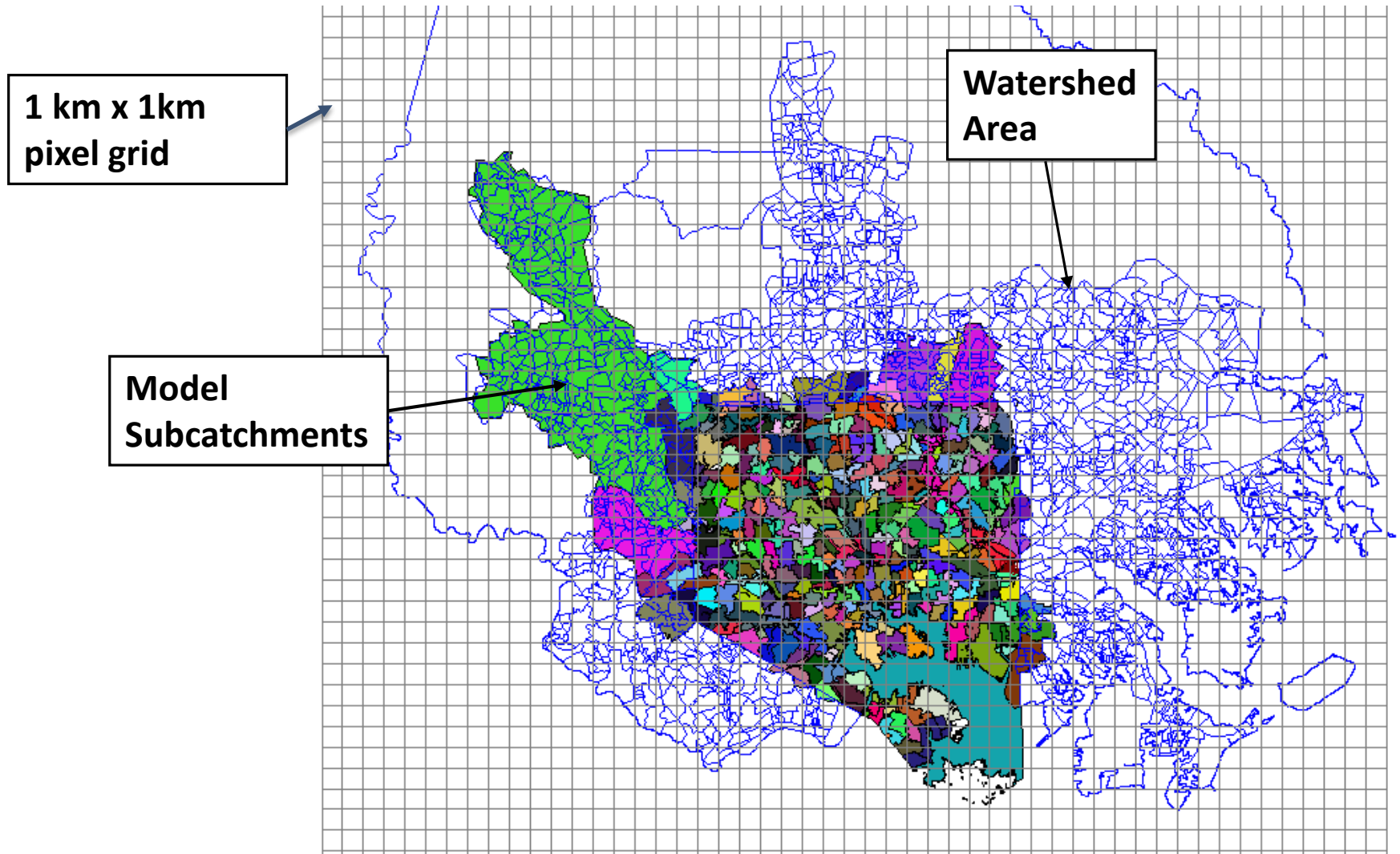
# High Resolution Precipitation Data - Gauge-Adjusted Radar Rainfall (GARR)

- Method to increase spatial resolution of the precipitation data
- NEXRAD weather radar imagery used in conjunction with rain gauges
- Rain gauges used to calibrate radar imagery



*Hurricane Katrina, August 2005  
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# GARR Example



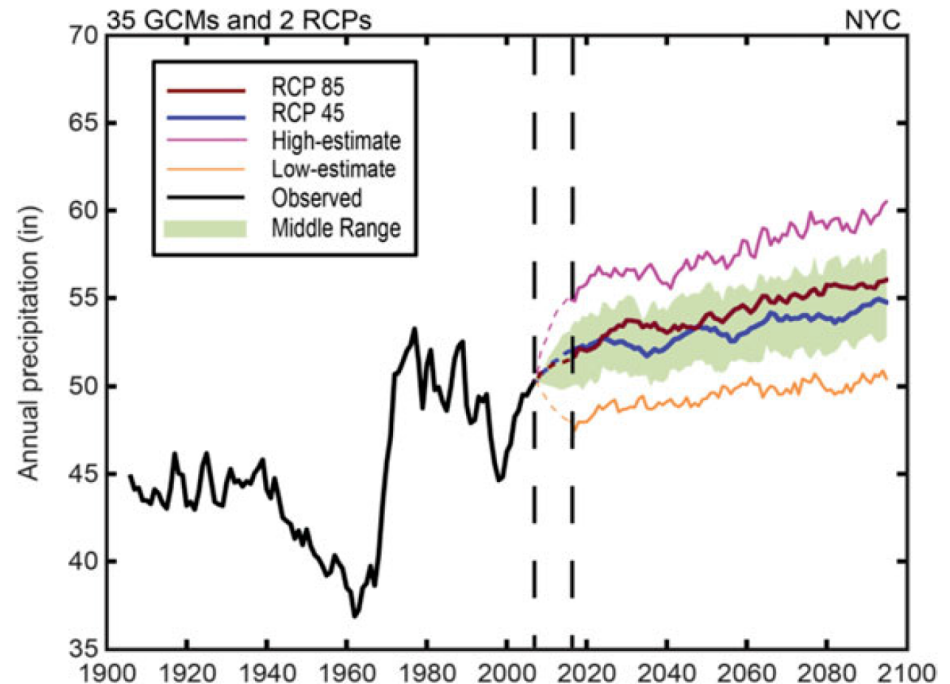
# Precipitation Scenarios

- “Everyday Events” – e.g., 2-month return
- “Design Events” – e.g., 10-year return
- “Extreme Events” – e.g., 100-year return

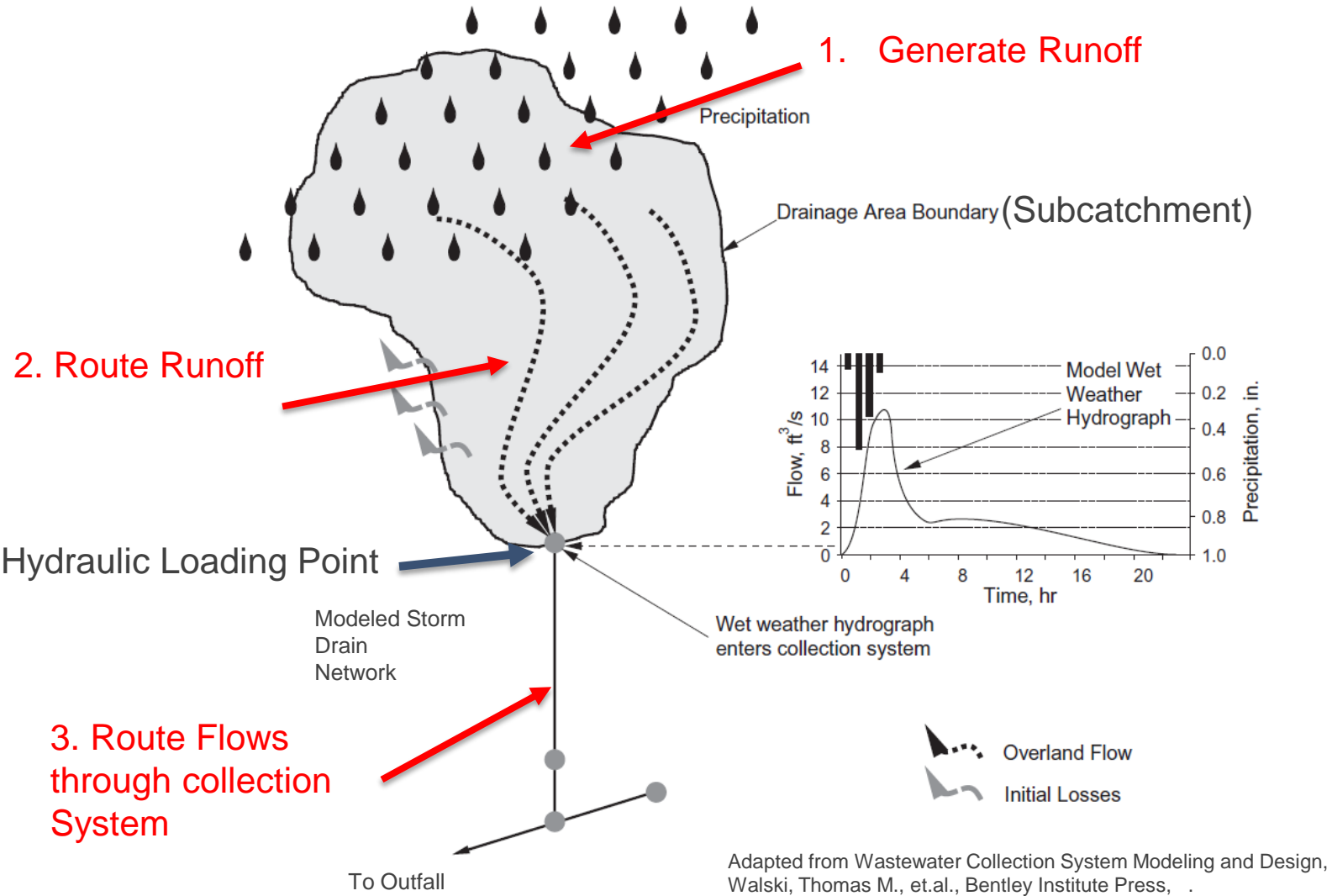
Continuous Simulations can capture all of these types of events (back-to-back), also ensuring that the appropriate antecedent soil moisture conditions and GW levels are used.

# Climate Change Risk Assessment

- Develop range of plausible future scenarios to bound uncertainty based on climate model projections
  - Precipitation
  - Sea level
  - Temperature



# Flow Processes in Urban Watershed Models



Adapted from Wastewater Collection System Modeling and Design, Walski, Thomas M., et.al., Bentley Institute Press, .



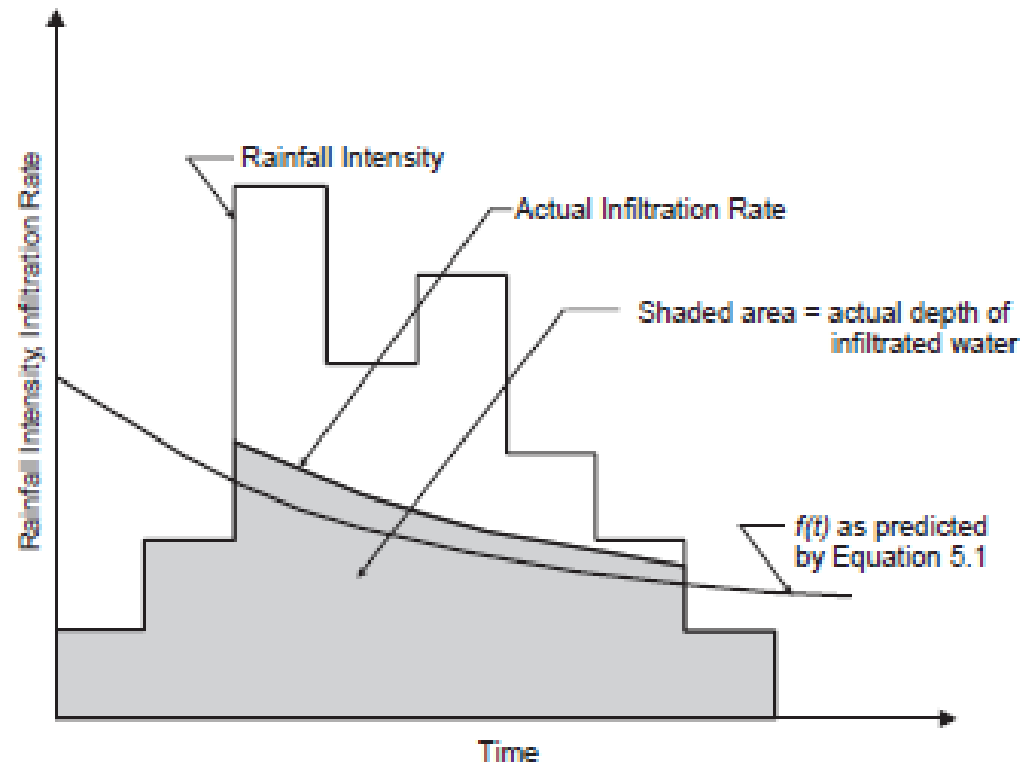
# Infiltration

Three widely used methods of modeling infiltration

- Curve Number Method
- Horton Method
- Green-Ampt Method

# Horton Infiltration Method

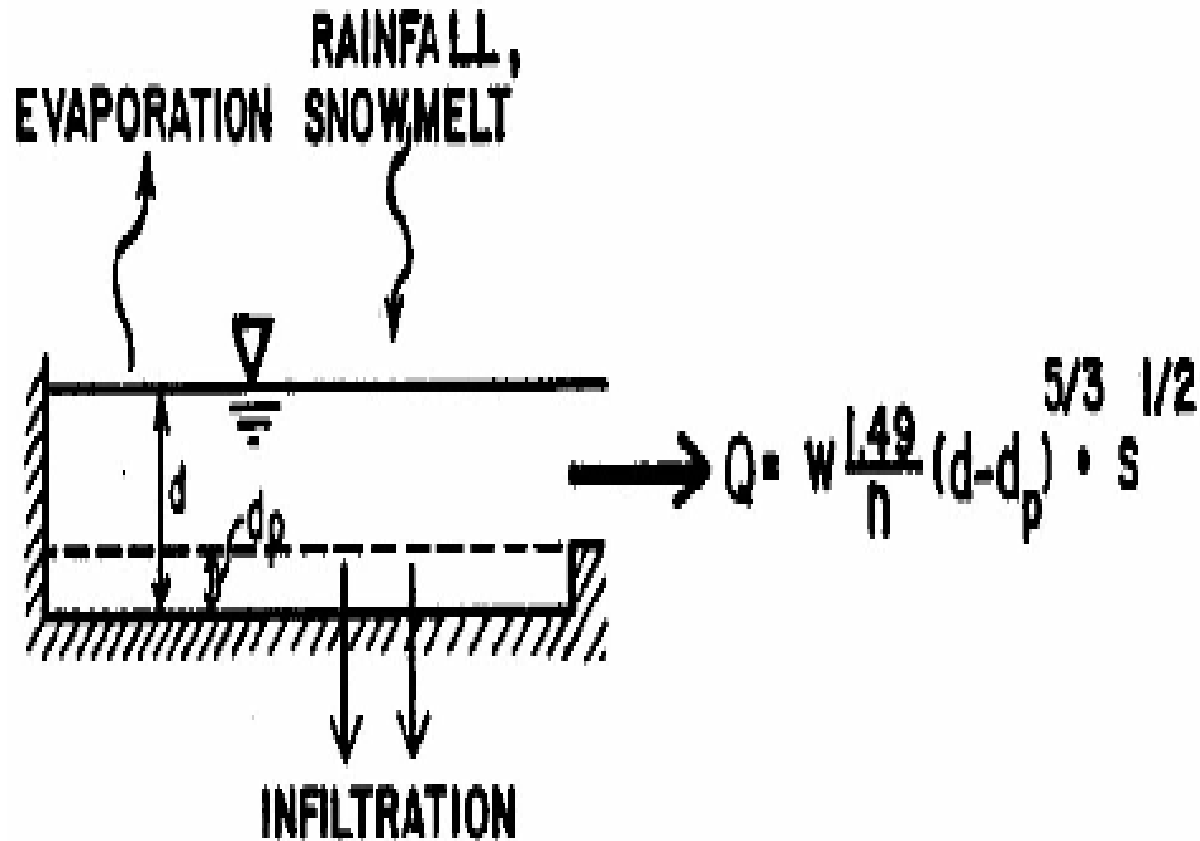
- Widely used
- Empirical method
- Modeled using 3 parameters
  - Max. infiltration rate
  - Min. infiltration rate
  - Decay constant



# Green-Ampt Infiltration Model

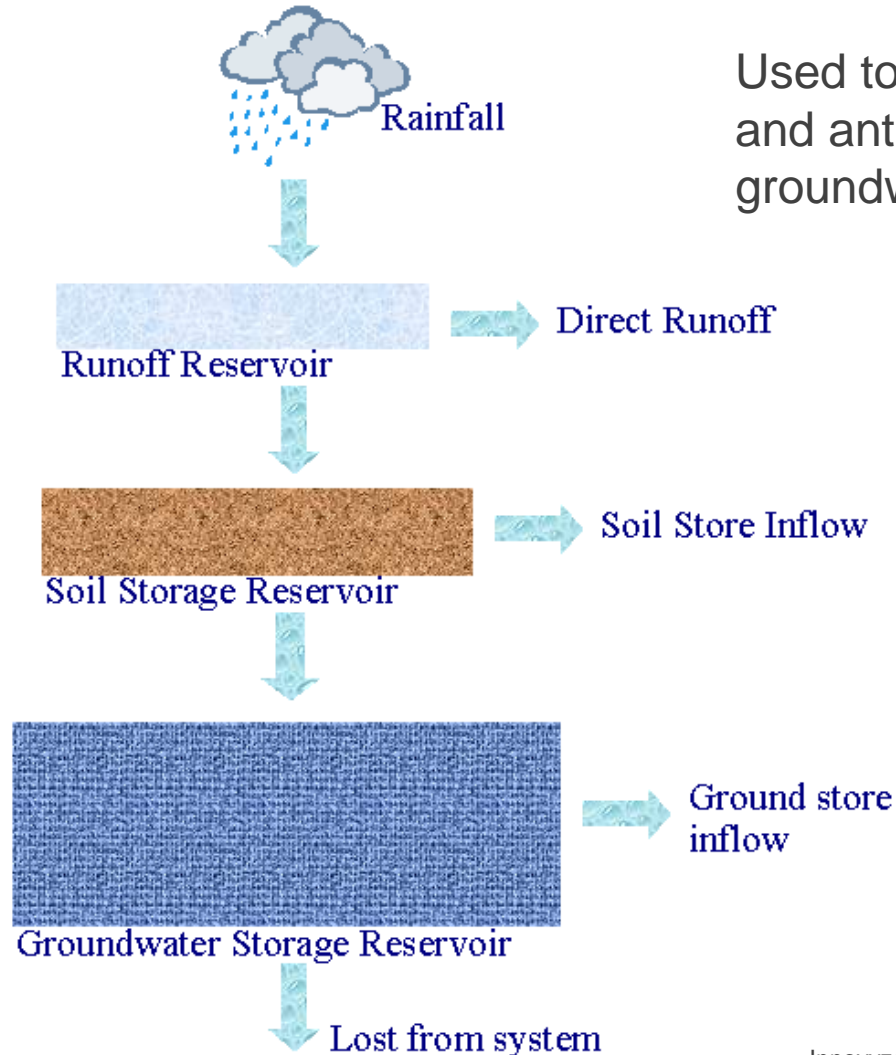
- Physically-based model – Requires 3 input parameters
  - **Average capillary suction** – specify value in inches or mm depending in units setting
  - **Saturated hydraulic conductivity** – Value is equivalent to the limiting infiltration rate in the Horton model; units are mm/hour or inches/hour; refer to NRCS Soil Survey for values
  - **Initial moisture deficit** – fractional difference between soil porosity and actual moisture content
- This is the preferred approach, if the input data is available.

# SWMM Runoff Routing Method – Non-Linear Reservoir Routing



Storm Water Management Model, Version 4: User's Manual, Huber, W.C., Dickinson, Robert E., et al., Environmental Research Laboratory, Office of Research and Development, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, 1992.

# Groundwater Infiltration Routine



Used to represent the seasonal and antecedent variation in groundwater infiltration

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# Benefits of a System-Wide Model

- Support MS4s, TMDLs, NPDES, CIPs, future land use planning.
- Start simple, expand scope over time
- Tool for the robust evaluation of current conditions, planned improvements and future change.

# Questions?

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