

# Unit 06:

# Future System Enhancements

WEB-BASED FLOOD INUNDATION MODELING WITH DSS-WISE WEB: A SHORT COURSE ON RECENT UPDATES WITH HANDS-ON TRAINING

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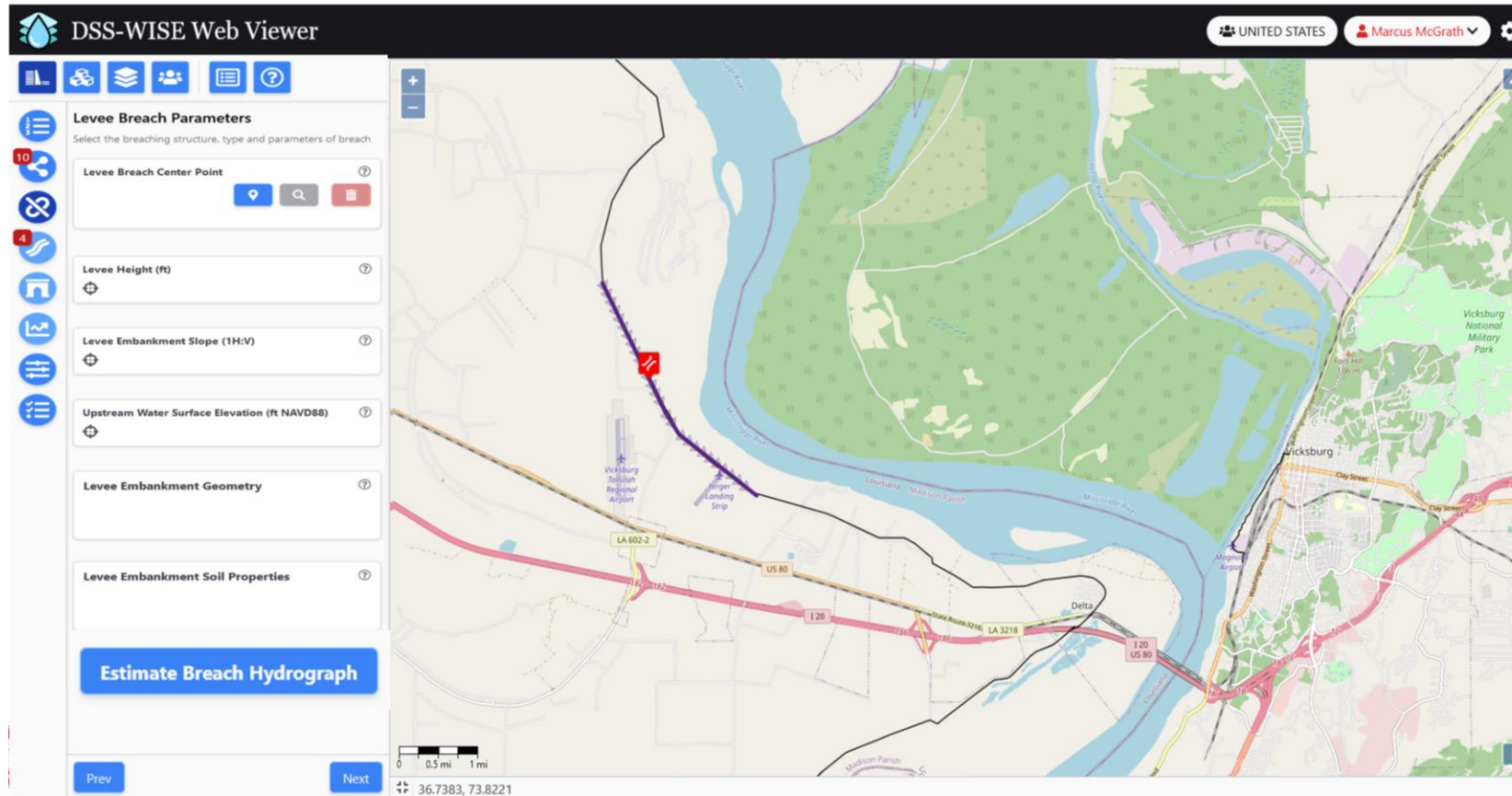


# Upcoming Enhancements and Improvements

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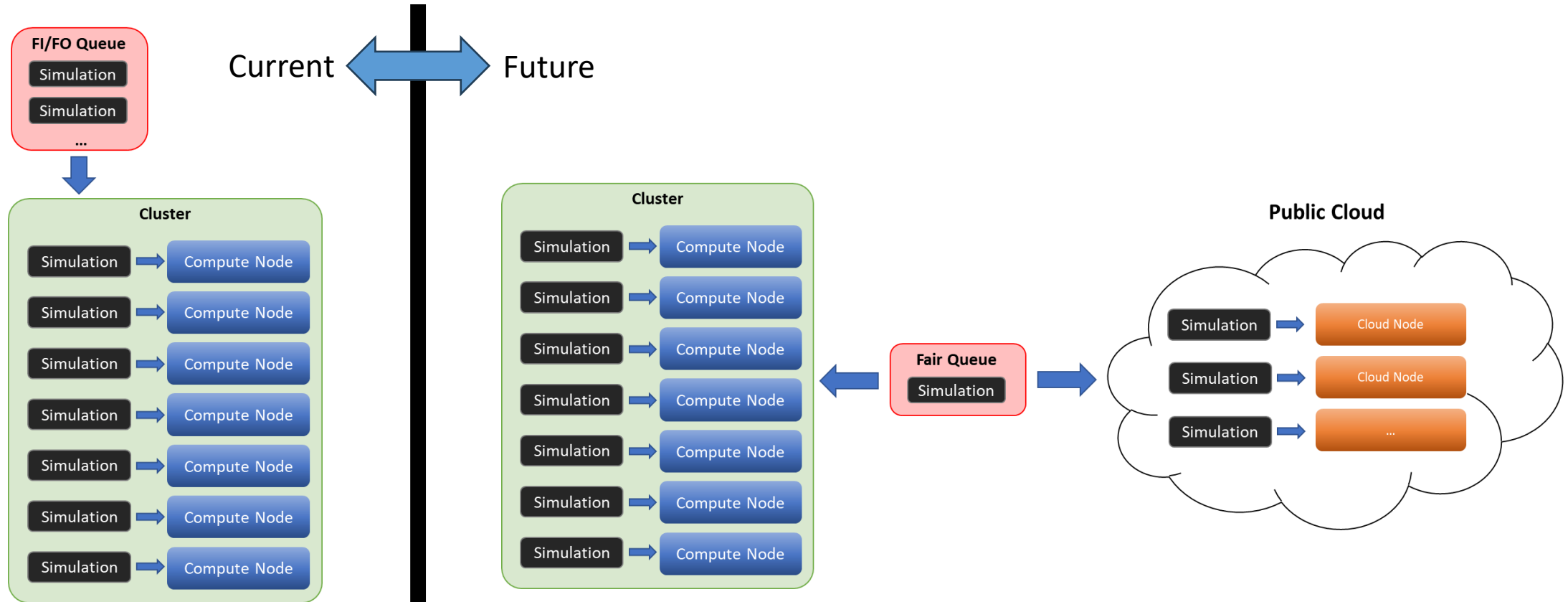
- This new development work is currently funded through an inter-agency agreement between ERCD, DHS S&T, and FEMA NDSP

## Upcoming enhancements: Levee Breach Calculator



- Uses and Artificial Neural Network (ANN) to estimate levee breach outflow from soil properties, embankment geometry, and flood conditions
- Resulting hydrograph is released downstream of the selected breach location

Develop the capability to utilize a hybrid cloud solution for DSS-WISE Lite simulations



Currently, simulations wait in a queue until resources become available

- Cloud nodes will be created on-demand to minimize queue wait time.
- High-priority simulations are assigned to fastest possible instances.
- Fair queueing via dynamic reordering and heuristics

### Review & Submit

Describe your simulation and submit it

Project Name ↺ ?

Dam failure scenario

Scenario Name ↺ ?

Reservoir-type, sudden and complete breach

Scenario Description ↺ ?

1 active reservoir  
1 active impounding structure  
reservoir-type, sudden and complete breach

Request High Priority

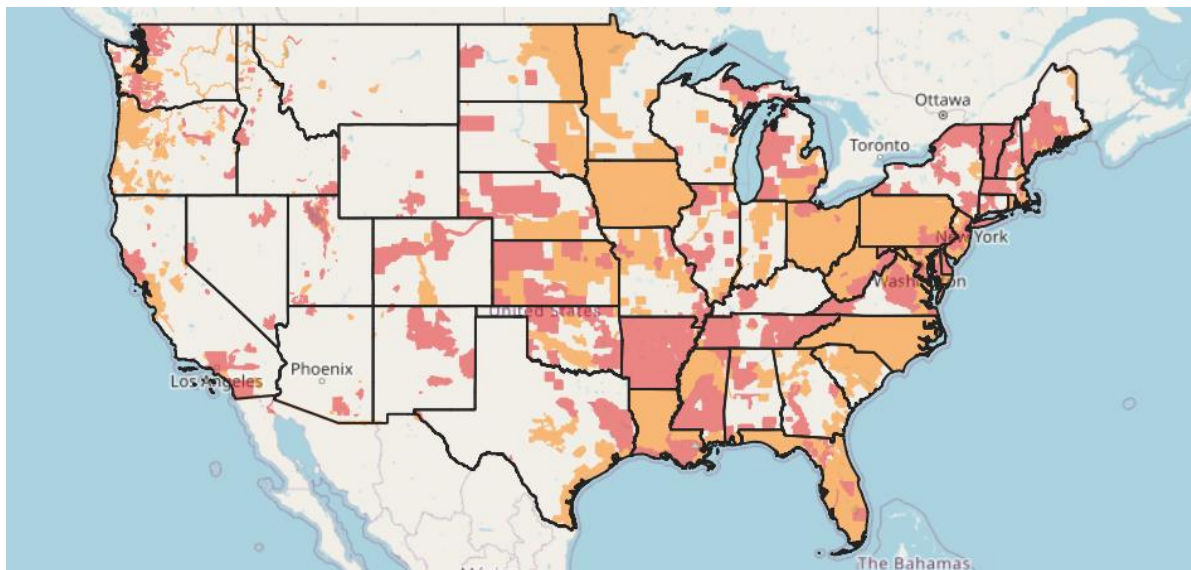
Submit Simulation

Develop the ability for privileged users to submit high-priority simulations that run in the cloud on the fastest available compute nodes

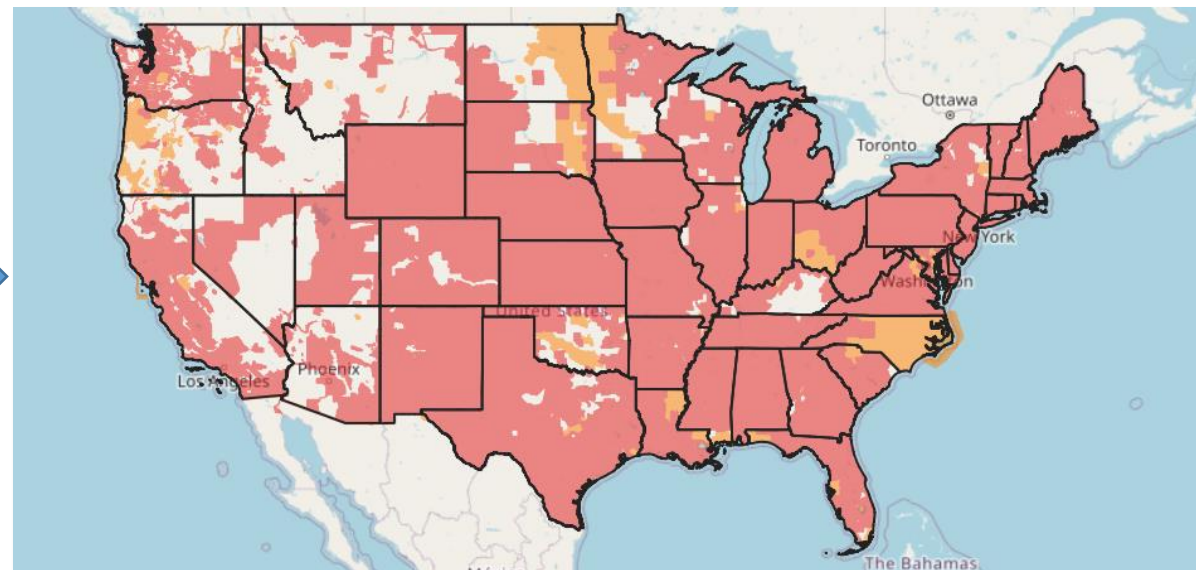
- Users will be able to request high-priority status for emergencies without requiring administrator intervention
- Simulation request is then routed to the fastest available cloud compute node

Develop the capability to better utilize the USGS 3D Elevation Program's (3DEP) 1-meter DEM dataset to generate the base level DEMs for simulations on the fly

Current high-resolution DEM data




Available high-resolution DEM data



Current 1m data released: **93,003** tiles totaling **23+ TB**

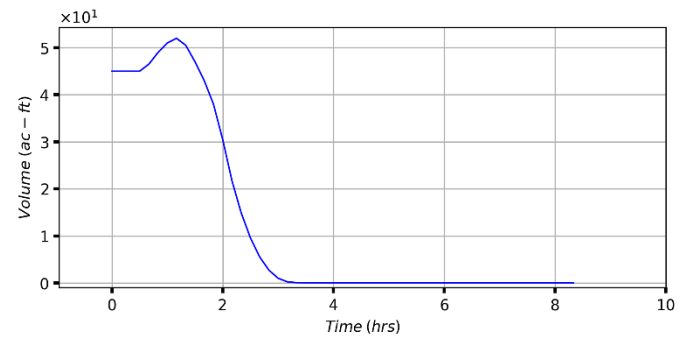
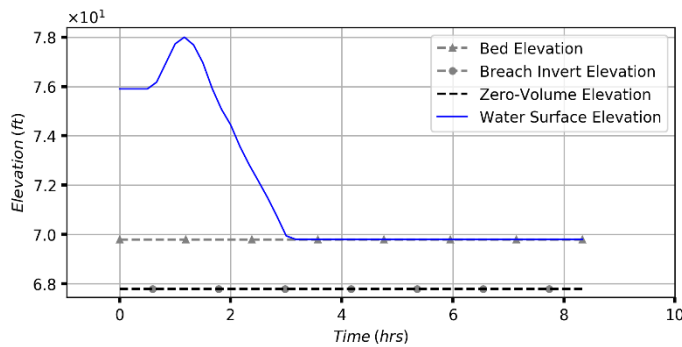
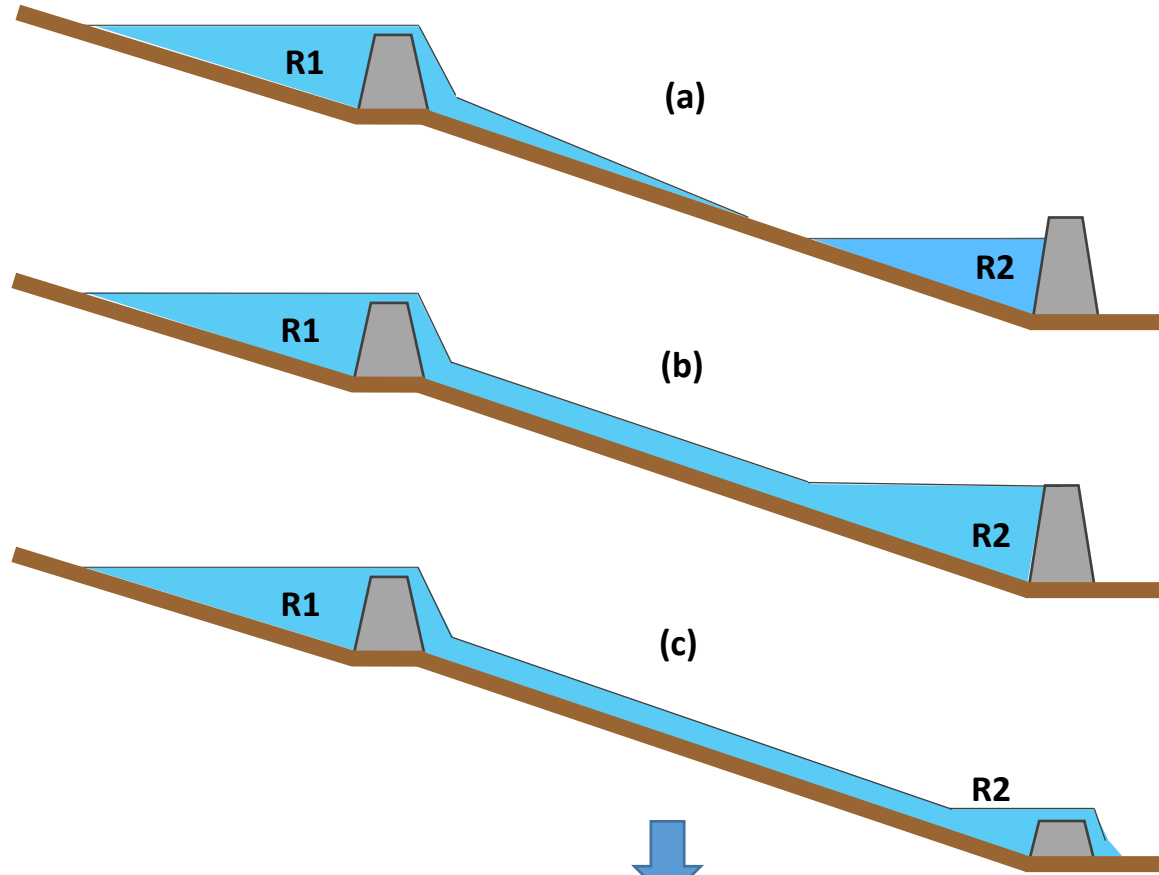
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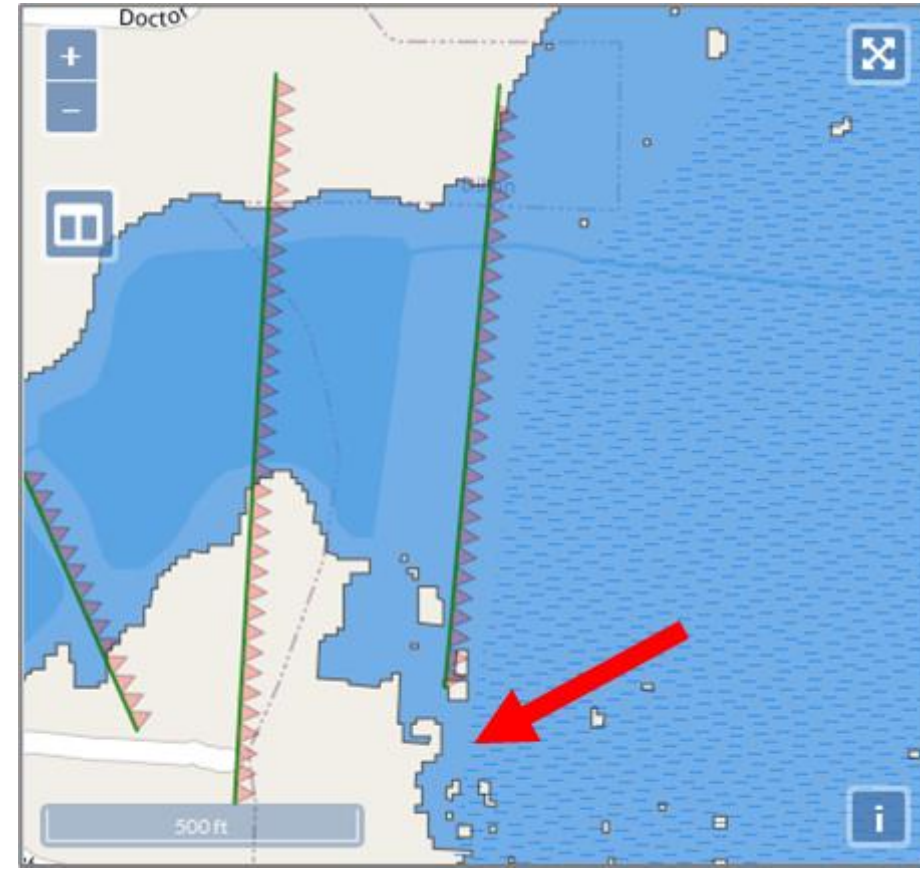
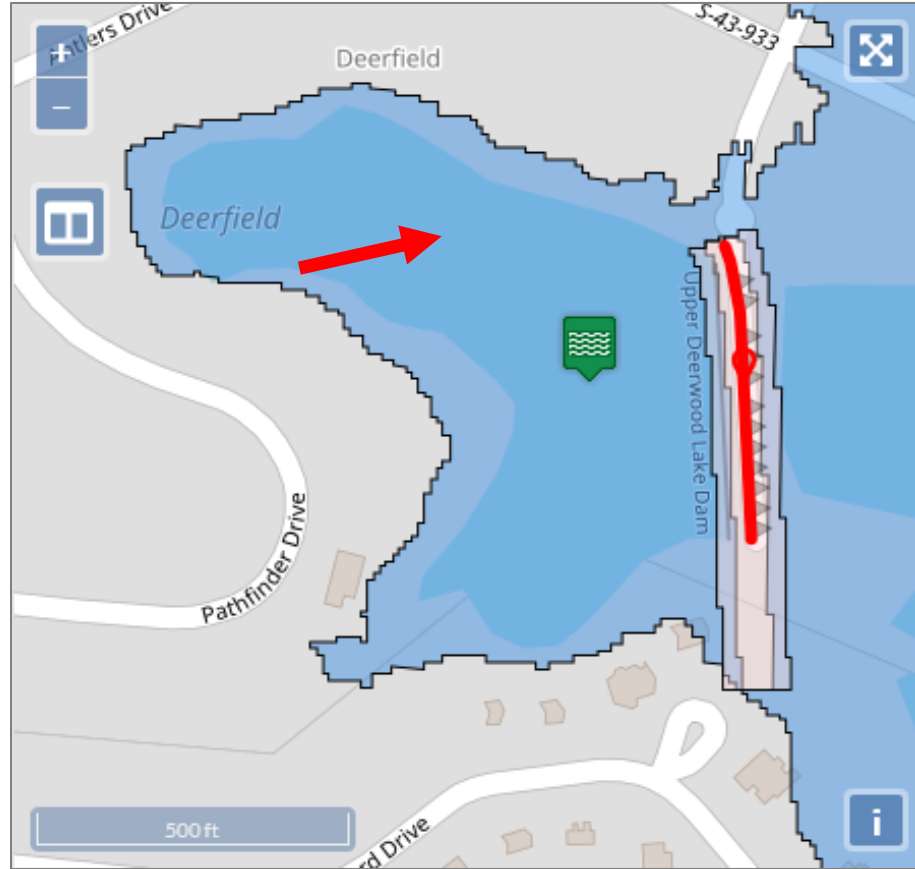
- Newly-added 1-meter USGS 3DEP data will be processed and imported to the system on a frequent basis
- A Web Coverage Service (WCS) endpoint will be set up to enable hybrid cluster integration and modular decoupling of system components

# Upcoming enhancements: Cascading dam failures

Develop the ability to model cascading dam failures



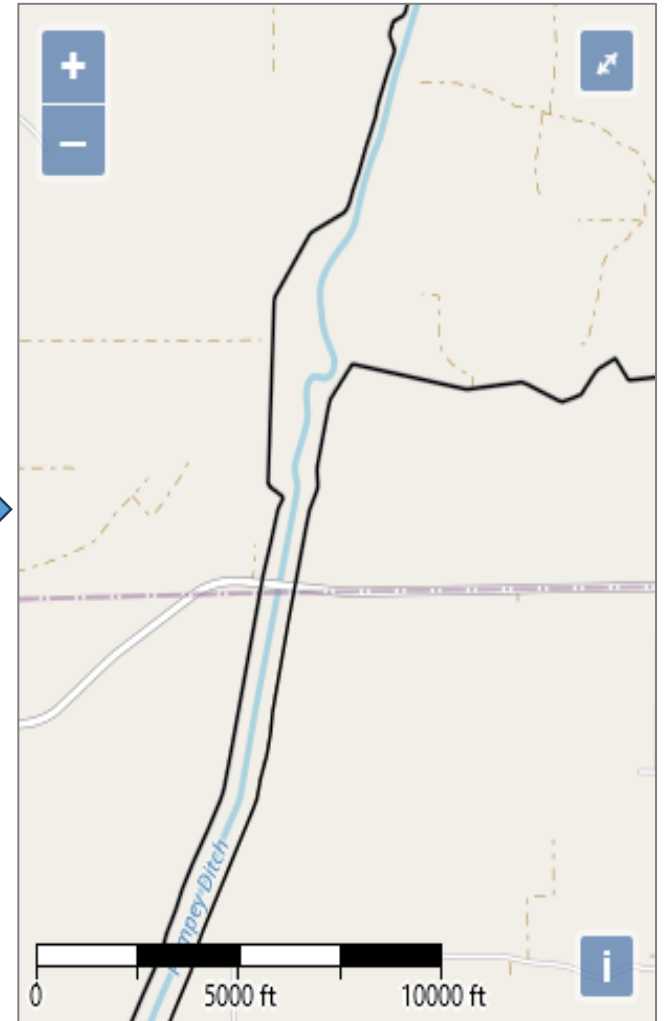
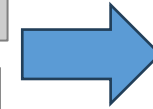
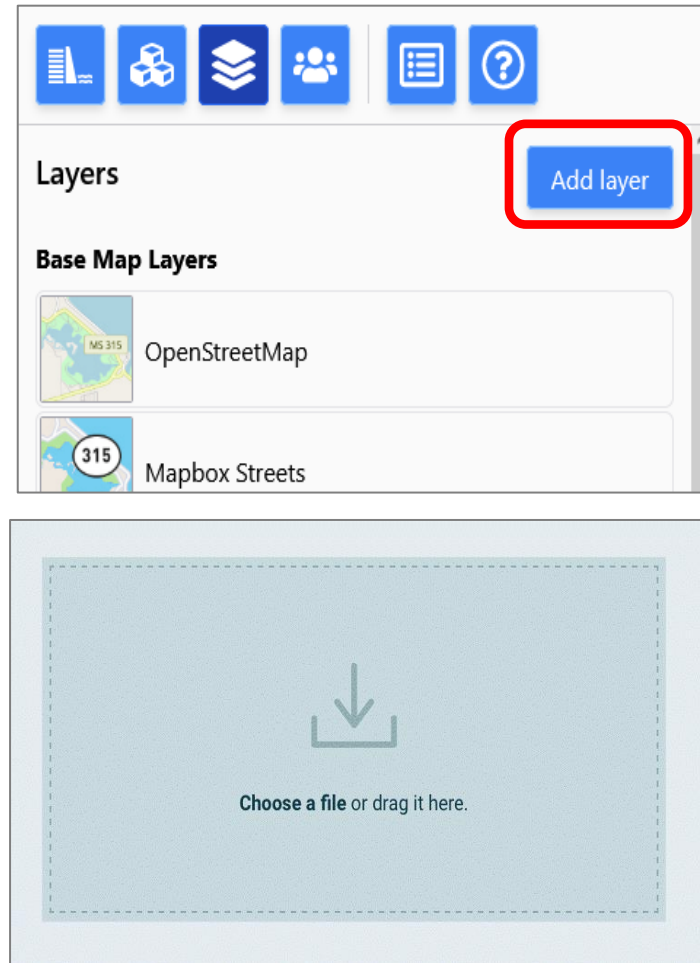
Develop the ability for a user to load the results of a previous simulation on the Viewer during setup.



- Results/errors from previous simulations will be visible during setup
- Improves user awareness/understanding of the model
- Reduces user frustration
- Empowers users to extract the most value from their simulation results

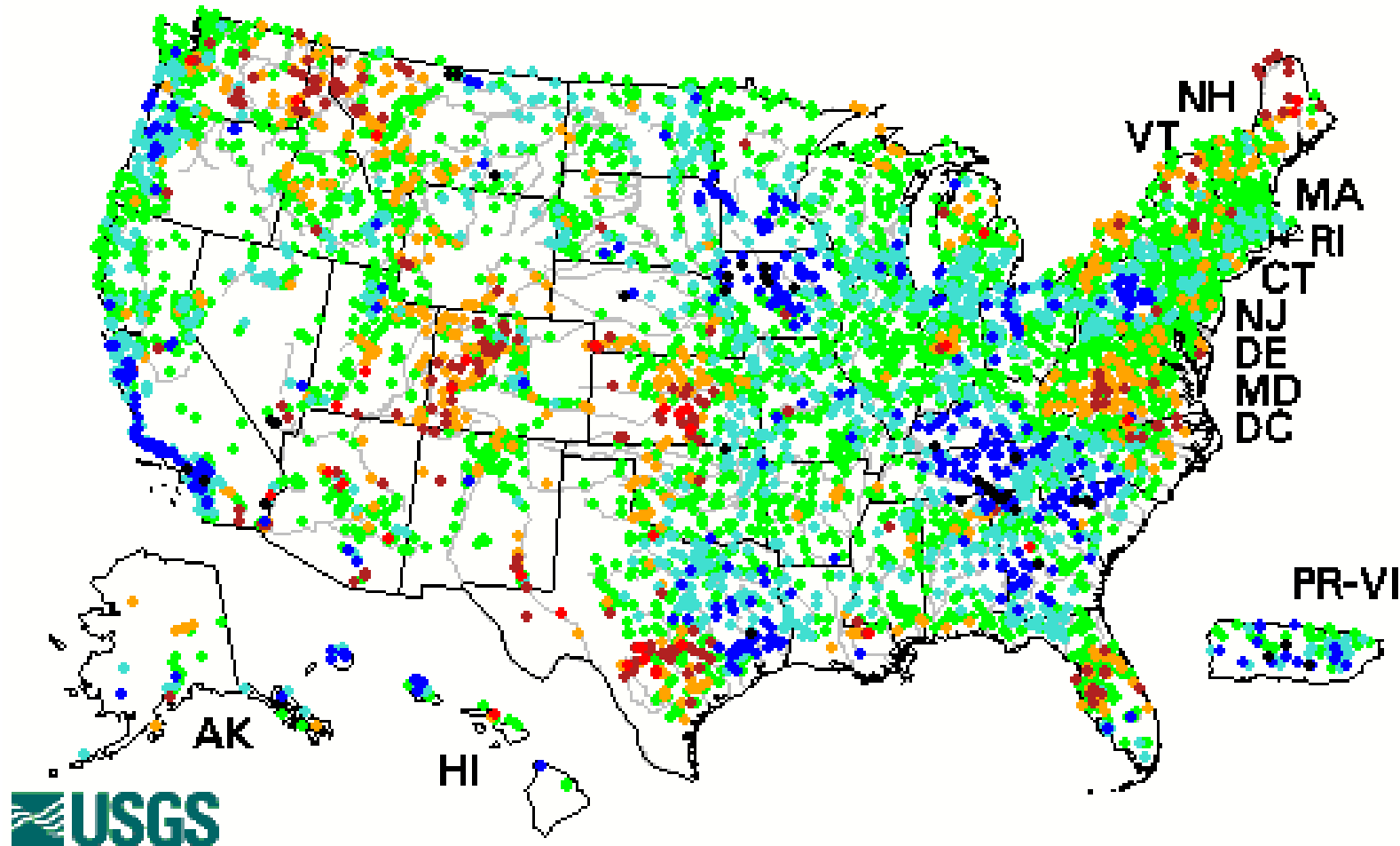
Develop the capability for users to upload their own GIS overlay data onto the Viewer during simulation setup.

- “Bring your own data” approach
- Enhance awareness and understanding



Develop the capability for users to automatically import this USGS stream gauge data for use in their simulations instead of having to obtain it manually.

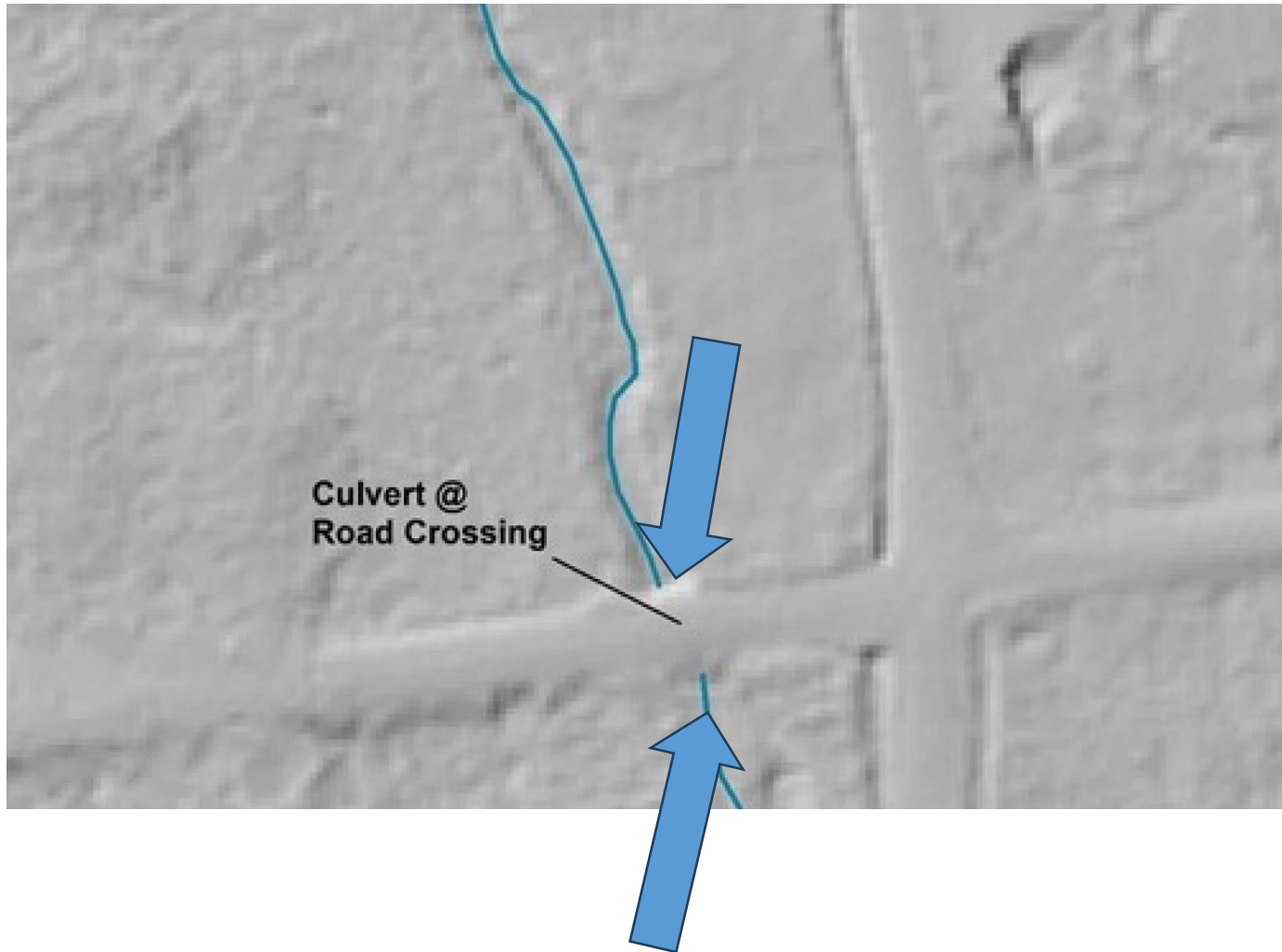
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User will be able to

- search for the stream gauge
- view and select a window of time for historical discharge data
- import it as a new inflow hydrograph

Enhance the way simulations model culverts by using a new method.



- User can select upstream and downstream locations for hydraulic connectivity
- Culvert parameters govern flow between the two sides

#### 4.4 Maximum Flood Depth

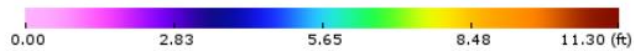
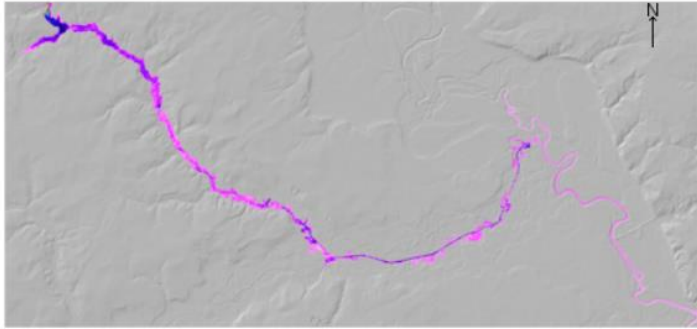
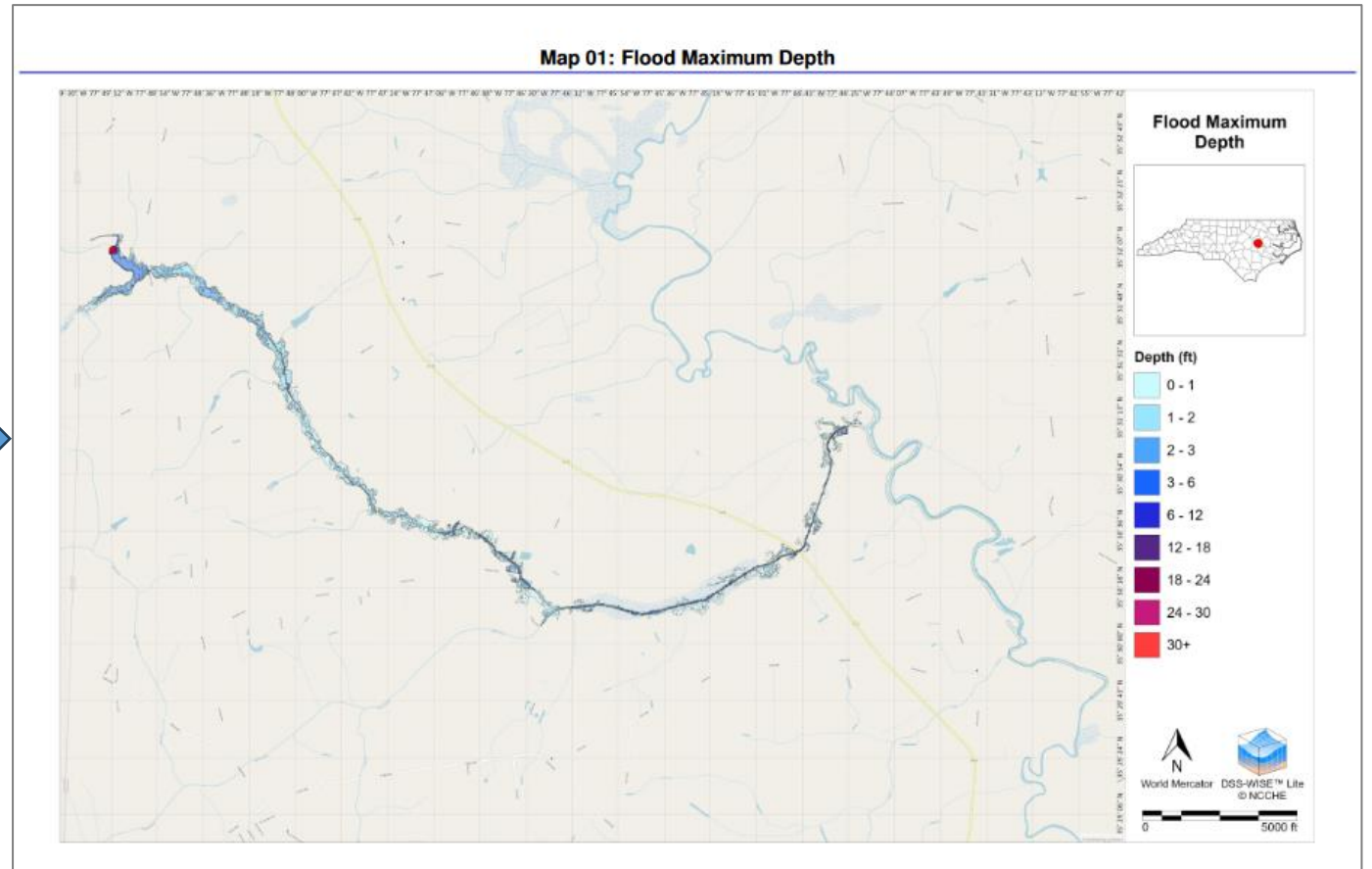
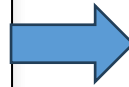


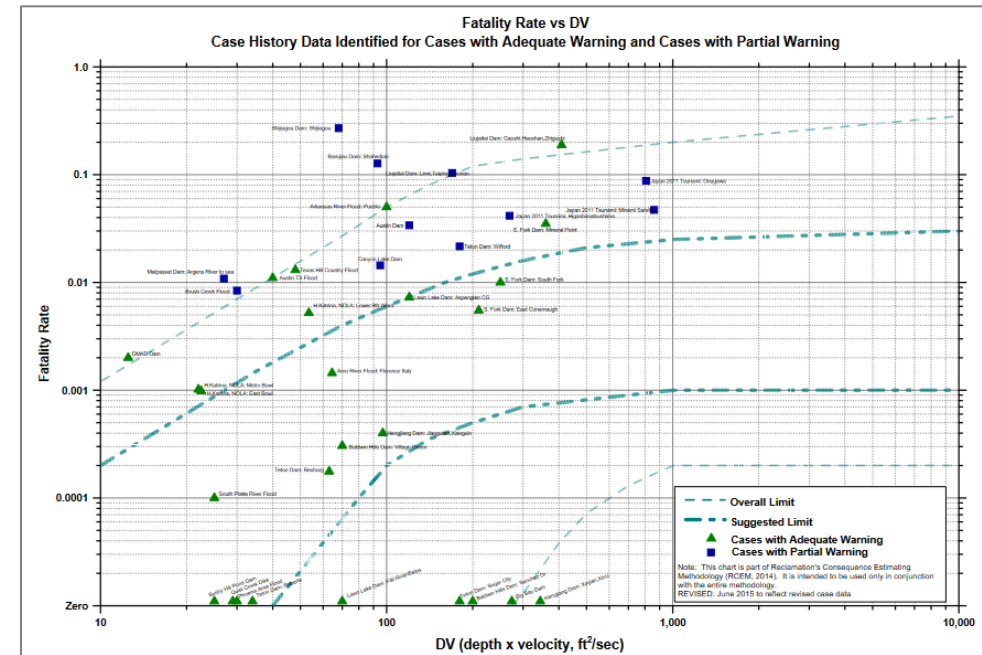
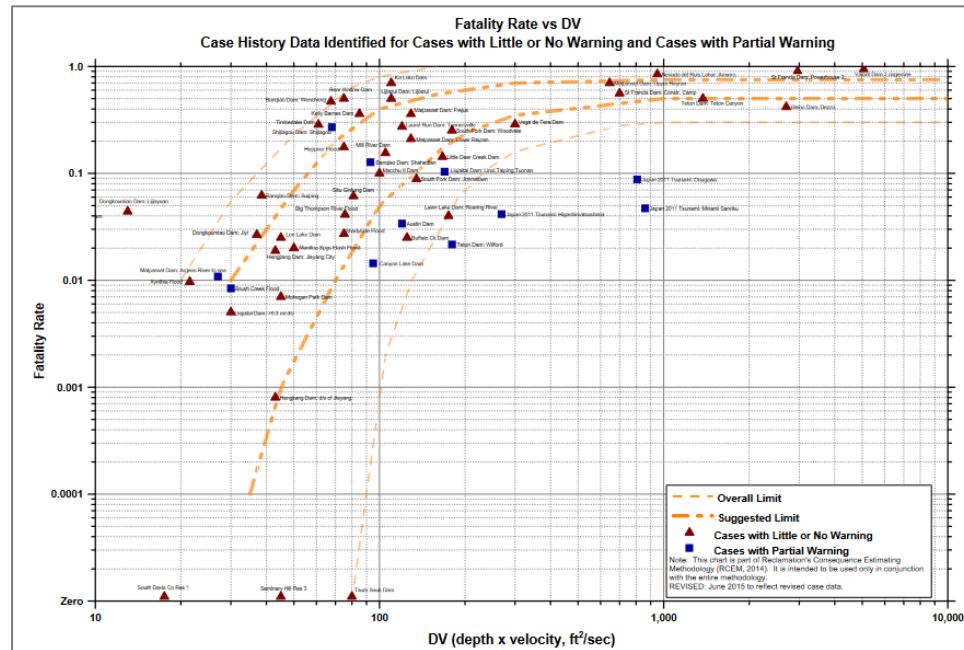
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Figure 8. Maximum Flood Depth Map.



Improve map image outputs for PDF report for increased spatial awareness and fidelity.

# Develop the HCOM module to include potential Loss of Life calculations

- USBR (2015) methodology
- Users will receive a range of estimated fatality rate and potential Loss of Life (LOL) information for a variety of severity and warning times



Thank you!

Questions?