

Salinas Valley
Watershed Model
(SVWM) & Integrated
Hydrologic Model
(SVIHM)



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#### Salinas Valley Conjunctive-Use Water Management Issues



Agricultural/Urban Development → more water-intensive crops, Urban growth, climate variability/change → larger demands on sustainability of water resources from competing interests for flood-control, environmental, municipal, and agricultural needs

Increased Demand → Increased crop rotation of high-value crops, salinity irrigation flushing demands, & environmental flows

#### Secondary Effects →

Reduced surface-water deliveries, streamflow depletion, seawater intrusion, saline-irrigation practices, and potential habitat degradation

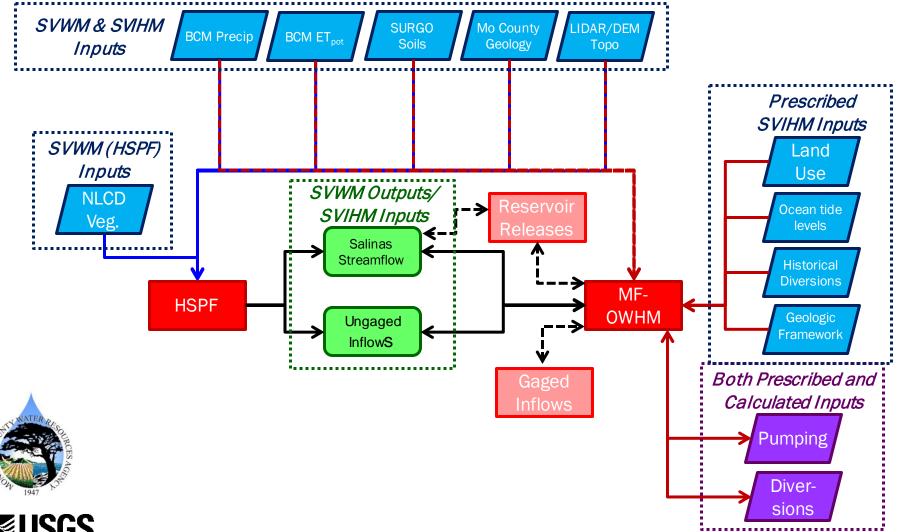
#### Mitigation/Adaptation →

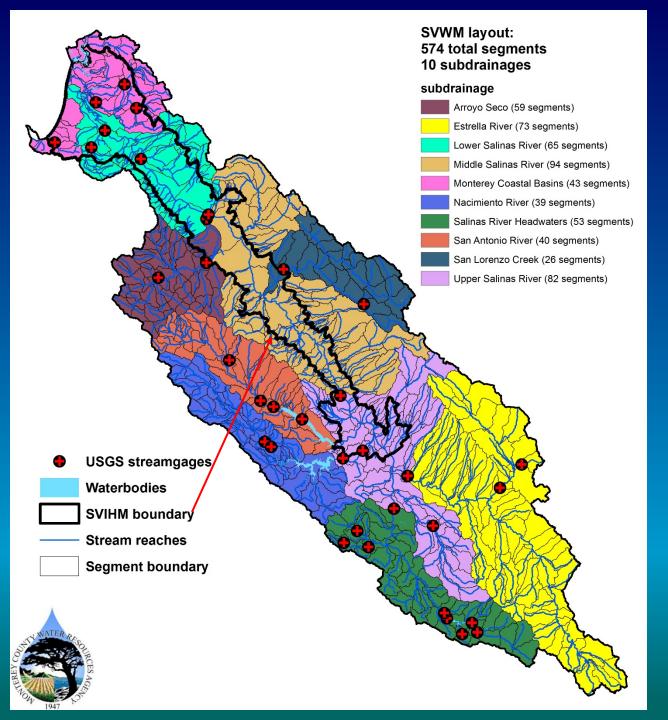
Reuse recycled water & dualreservoir operation for flood control, water use, and enhanced dry-season releases Including the Inter-Lake Tunnel Project





# Linkage Between Precip-Runoff (SVWM) and IHM (SVIHM) Models





# SVWM model layout and segmentation

574 segments
Total area = 4,517 mi<sup>2</sup>
Average area = 7.9 mi<sup>2</sup>
Maximum area = 39.6 mi<sup>2</sup>
Minimum area = 0.4 mi<sup>2</sup>

574 pervious land units (PERLNDS)

50 impervious land units (IMPLNDS)

574 stream reaches (RCHRES)

10 sub-models (sub-drainages)

10 surface water outflows





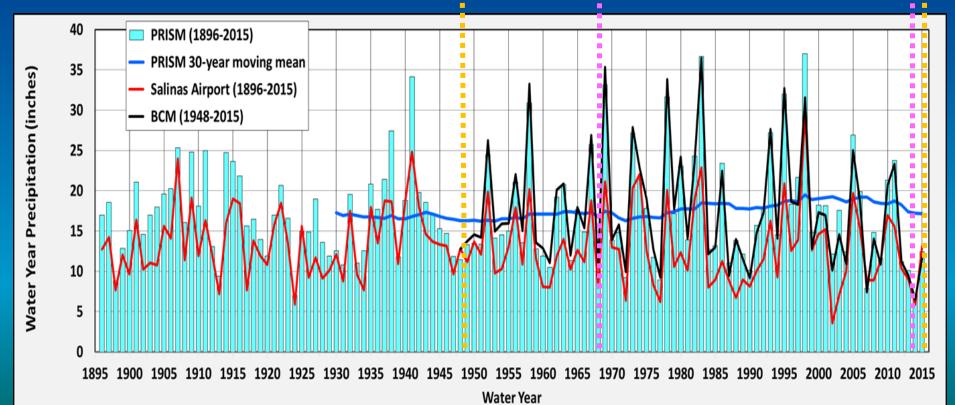
## BCM - SVWM - SVIHM model integration: time steps and simulation periods

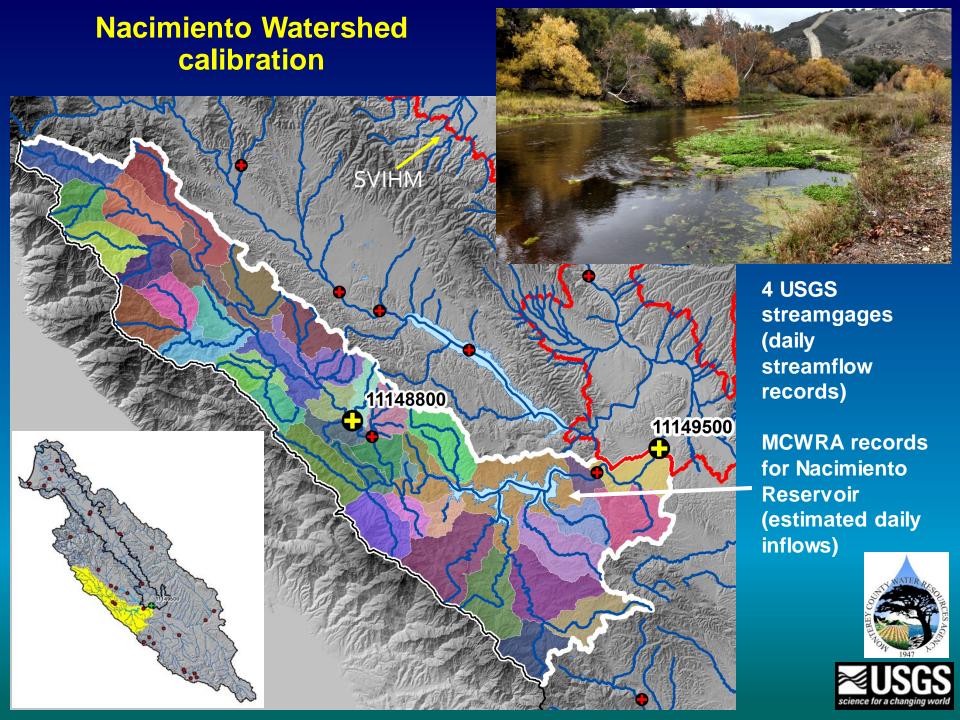


BCM daily simulation, water years 1948 through 2015

SVWM hourly simulation, water years 1948 through 2015 (water year 1948 used only for model spin up) BCM and SVWM simulation period: 10/1/1947 – 9/30/2015 (daily & hourly time step)

SVIHM simulation period: 10/1/1967 – 12/31/2014 (monthly stress period, biweekly time step)

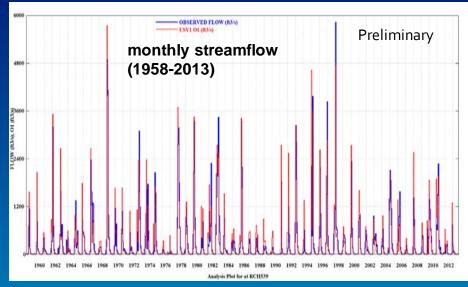


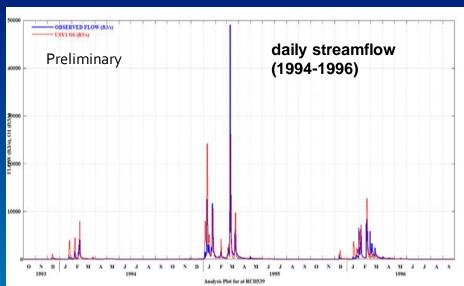


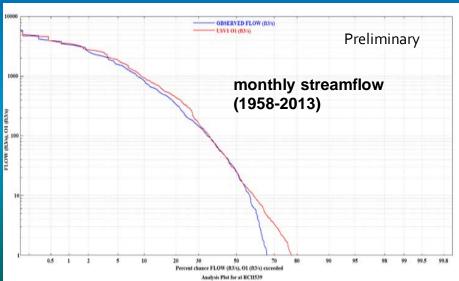


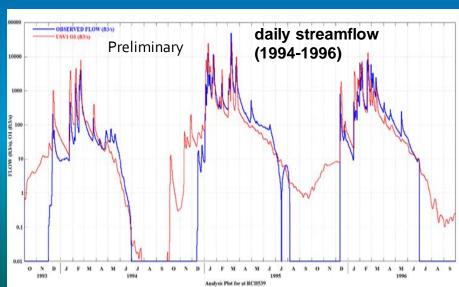
## MCWRA estimated daily inflows to Nacimiento Reservoir (RCHRES 539)→ Used for historical & projections









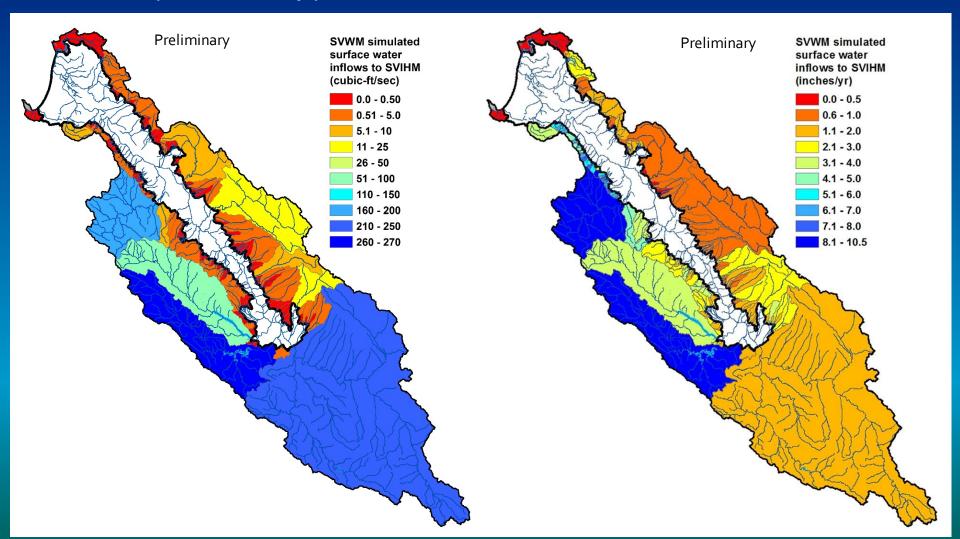


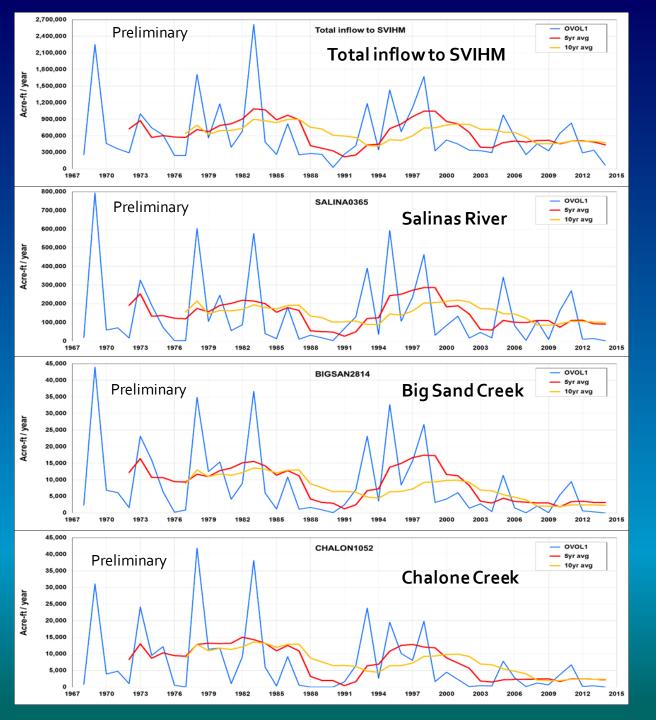


## Preliminary SVWM simulation results: 1949-2015 average surface water inflows



Average streamflow Total inflow = 881 cfs (638,000 acre-ft/yr) Average streamflow Total inflow = 3.3 inches/year





# Preliminary Results: 1968-2014 annual surface water inflows to SVIHM

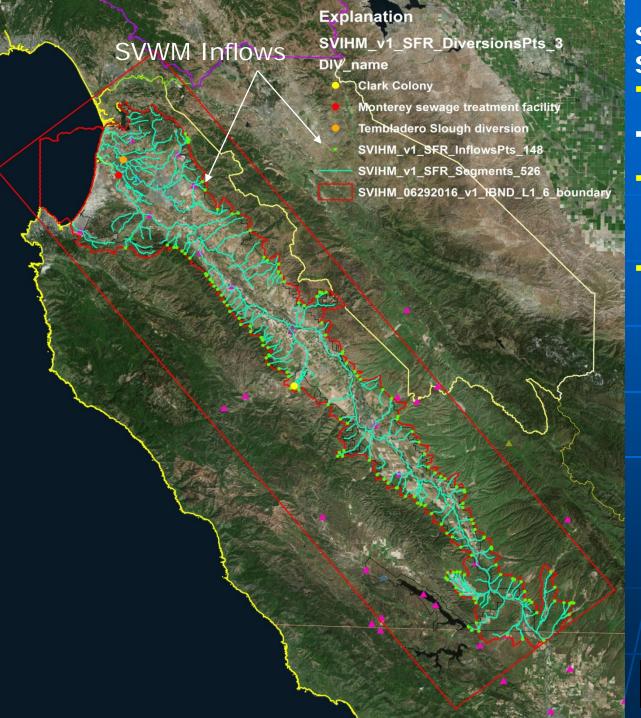
Total inflows to SVIHM: Average = 641,000 acre-ft/yr Max = 2,600,000 acre-ft Min = 26,000 acre-ft

Salinas River: Average = 146,000 acre-ft/yr Max = 794,000 acre-ft Min = 1,400 acre-ft

Big Sand Creek: Average = 8,700 acre-ft/yr Max = 44,000 acre-ft Min = 0 acre-ft

Chalone Creek:
Average = 7,300 acre-ft/yr
Max = 42,000 acre-ft
Min = 0 acre-ft





## **SVIHM Streamflow Network**

- <u>524 segments</u>: river, tributary, canal, and drains
- 148 Inflow points → 3 gaged and 145 estimated
- 3 diversions → Arroyo Seco for Clark Colony, Salinas River for SRDF, & Tembladero Slough
- a) "Nacimiento River 1" (USGS gage 11149500)
  - below the Nacimiento reservoir,
  - (b) "Arroyo Seco 1" (USGS gage 11152000)
  - on Arroyo Secco, and (c) "San Lorenzo Creek 1"
  - (USGS gage 11151300) on San Lorenzo Creek on the northern boundary of SVIHM





#### Salinas Valley Integrated Hydrologic Model (SVIHM)

☐ Hydrology → SVIHM Conceptual Model (MF-OWHM Packages



#### **INFLOWS**

Precipitation ← BCM
Runoff from surrounding watersheds (MFR) ← SVWM
Reservoir Releases (SFR)
Groundwater Underflow (PasoRobles, Pajaro Valley)
Seawater Intrusion (GHB → SWI)

#### **OUTFLOWS**

Runoff/Streamflow to Ocean (SFR)
Evapotranspiration (Agriculture, Native, Urban) (BCM/FMP)
Mnl Pumpage (not recycled) (MNW2)

#### INTERNAL FLOWS

Diversion of streamflow (SRDF & Clark Colony) (SFR/FMP)
Wellbore flow between aquifers (MNW2)
Recycled treated Urban wastewater (CSIP) (FMP→ NRD)
Agricultural Drain flows (DRT→ FMP)
Excess Irrigation Water (Artificial Recharge/Runoff) (FMP→ SFR)
Flow Barriers as Faults (HFB)



#### Salinas Valley Integrated Hydrologic Model (SVIHM)



#### Model Layering – 9 Layers

Layer 1 → Salinas Shallow/Recent Aquifer

Layer 2 → Salinas Valley Aquitard

Layer 3 → 180-Ft Aquifer

Layer 4 → Middle Aquitard

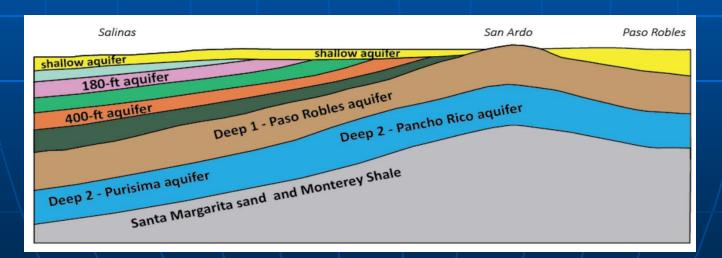
Layer 5 → 400-Ft Aquifer

Layer 6 -> Deep Aquitard

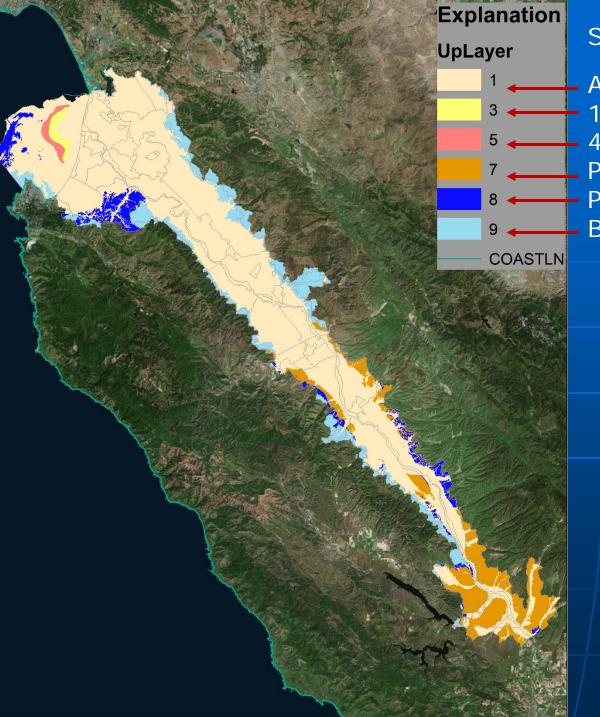
Layer 7 → Paso Robles Formation Aquifer

Layer 8 → Purisima/Santa Margarita Aquifer

Layer 9 → Composite Bedrock Aquifer





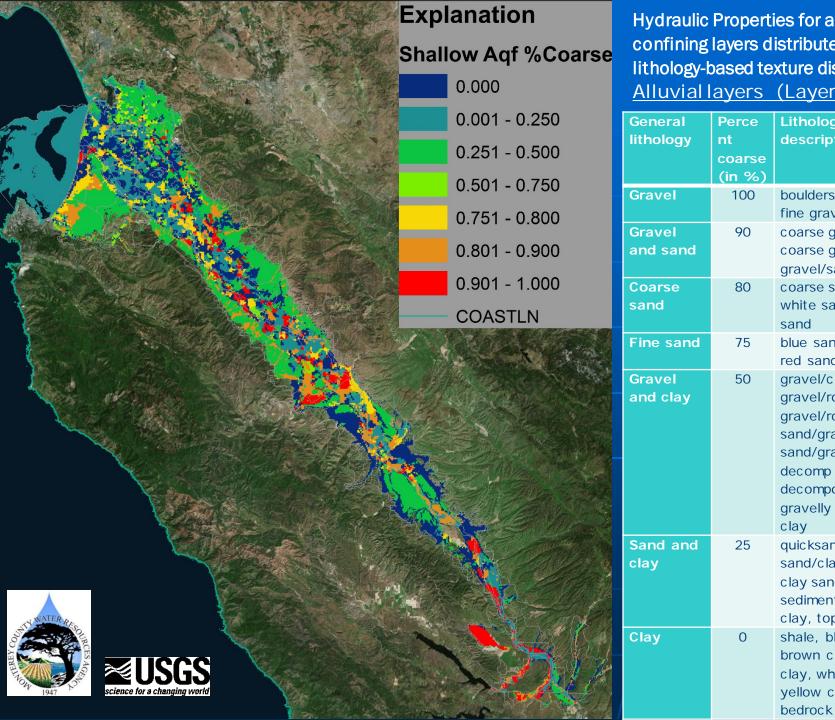


#### **SVIHM** - Uppermost Layers

Alluvium 180-ft Aquifer 400-ft Aquifer Paso Robles Purisima Fm Bedrock Units

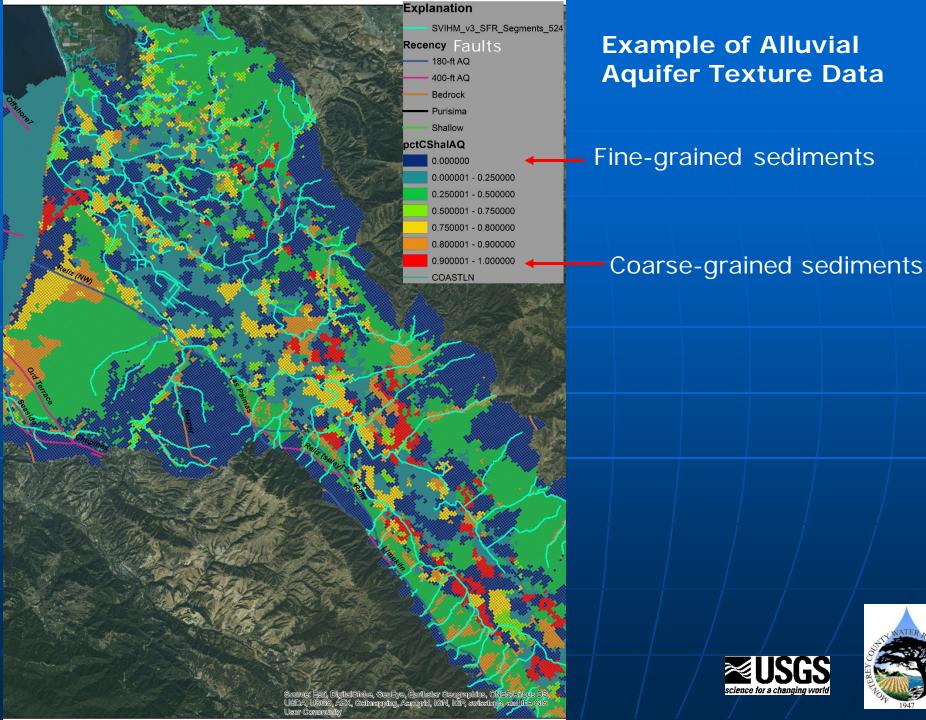


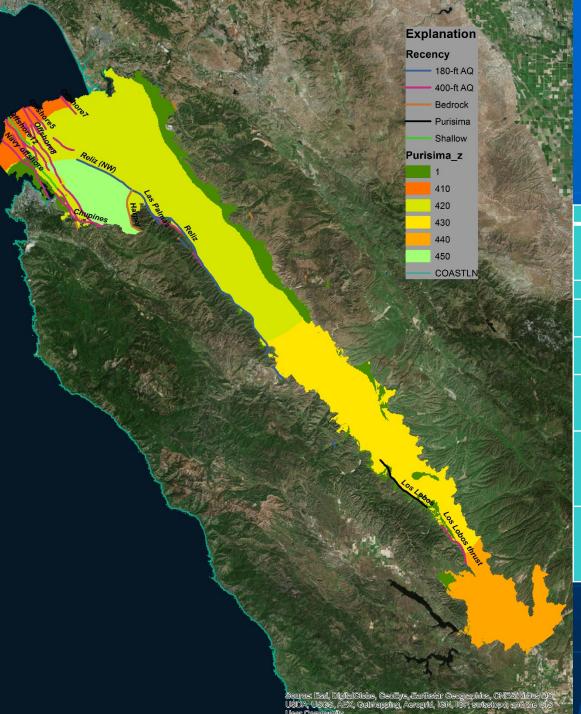




Hydraulic Properties for aquifers and confining layers distributed based on lithology-based texture distributions Alluvial layers (Layers 1 - 7)

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General lithology	Perce nt coarse	Lithologic description
	(in %)	
Gravel	100	boulders, cobbles, fine gravel, gravel
Gravel and sand	90	coarse gravel/sand, coarse gravel/sand, gravel/sand
Coarse sand	80	coarse sand, sand, white sand, yellow sand
Fine sand	75	blue sand, fine sand, red sand, sandstone
Gravel and clay	50	gravel/clay, gravel/rocks/clay, gravel/rocks/cl, sand/gravel/clay, sand/gravel/clay, decomp granite decomposed granite, gravelly clay, gravelly clay
Sand and clay	25	quicksand, adobe, sand/clay, sandy blue clay sandy clay, sediment, sandy blue clay, top soil, topsoil
Clay	0	shale, blue clay, brown clay, clay, red clay, white clay yellow clay, granite,

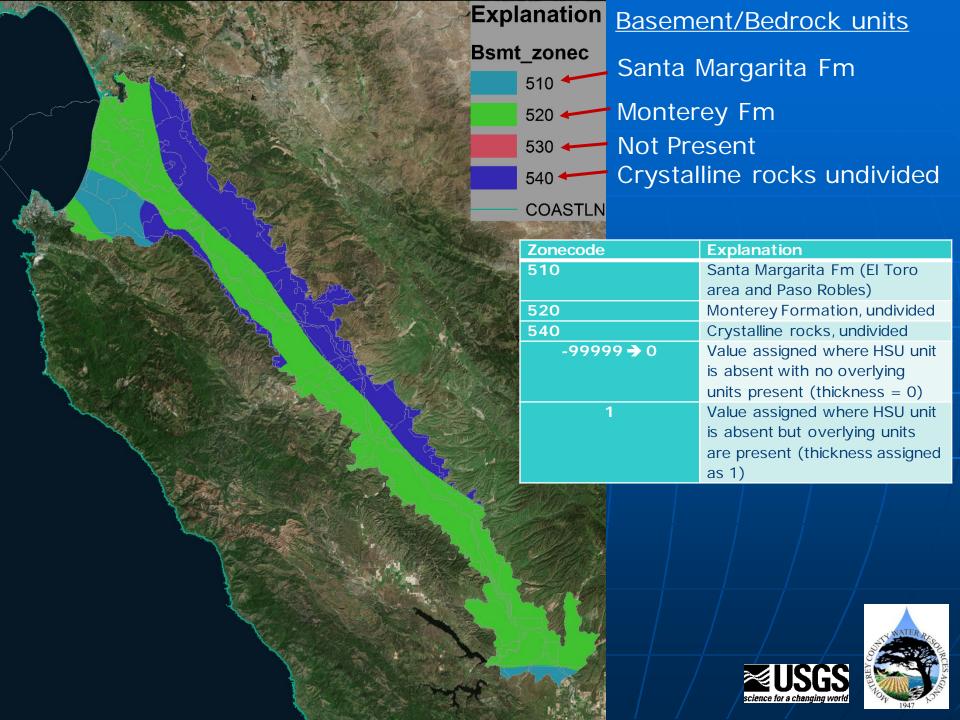




# Pliocene Sedimentary Formations → Purisima, Pancho Rico, & Santa Margarita Formations

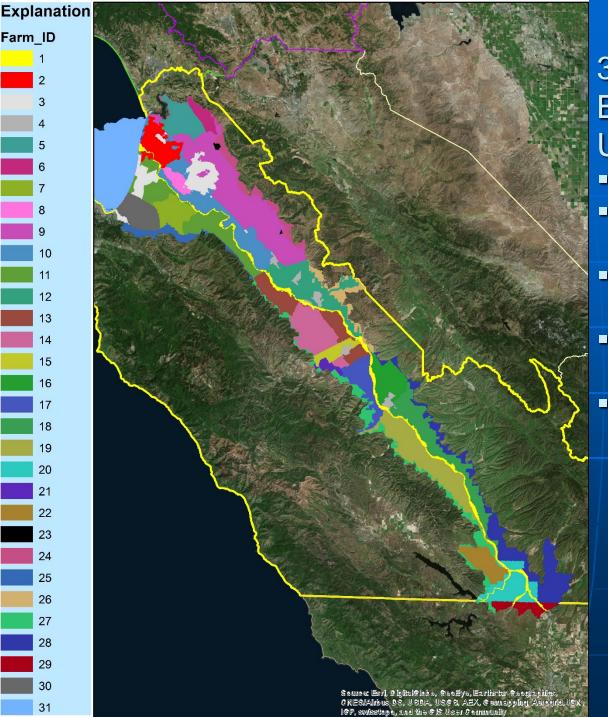
Zonecode	Explanation
410	Purisima Fm mapped onshore in Pajaro area and offshore (by Johnson and others)
420	Purisima Fm in the subsurface
430	Pancho Rico Fm of central Salinas Valley
440	Pliocene marl sandstone mapped NE of Paso Robles
450	QT unit overlying Santa Margarita Fm in the El Toro area
-99999	Value assigned where HSU unit is absent with no overlying units present (thickness = 0)
1	Value assigned where HSU unit is absent but overlying units are present (thickness assigned as 1)





#### 30 SVIHM Water-Balance Accounting Units

Riparian Corridor (Monterey and SLO Counties) >> Preserved Fish and Plant Habitat Salinas River (2)CSIP Area Recycled Water Irrigation Region (3)Coastal Urban areas (Salinas, Castroville, Marina, parts of Monterey, Del Rey Oaks) - Urban Demand (4)Inland Urban areas (Chualar, Gonzales, Soledad, Greenfield, King City, & San Ardo) - Urban Demand (5) *Agriculture* → Highlands South (6) *Agriculture* > Granite Ridge Suburban → Corral De Tierra inside of Zone 2C **GEMS – Monthly** (8) Agriculture -> Blanco Drain Area (Not in CSIP) (9) Agriculture - Remainder of Zone2C - East Side Reported Pumpage (10)Agriculture → Remainder of Zone2C – Pressure NE of Salinas River **Observations** (11)Agriculture → Remainder of Zone2C – Pressure SW of Salinas River Agriculture >> Remainder of Zone 2C - Forebay NE side of Salinas River (12)(13)Agriculture Remainder of Zone 2C – Forebay SW side of Salinas River Agriculture → Remainder of Zone 2C – Arroyo Secco (14)(15)Agriculture/SW Delivery -> Clark Colony 1905 (non-urban) Agriculture > Zone 2C -- Upper Valley NE subregion East of Salinas R & Northeast of King City (16)Agriculture > Zone 2C -- Upper Valley NW subregion West of Salinas R & West of King City (17)(18)Agriculture -> Zone 2C -- Upper Valley SE subregion East of Salinas R & East of King City (19)Agriculture -> Zone 2C -- Upper Valley SW subregion West of Salinas R & West of King City (20)Agriculture > Zone 2C - Below Dam (21)*Native* → Westside Regions Active outside Zone 2C boundary in Monterey County for Inland Southwest of Arroyo Seco and Clark Colony Region (some reported pumpage) New Agriculture > Hames Valley – Monterey County (22)(23)NE Quarries > Mining *Native* >> Boundary of Model outside of Zone 2C on the Northeast side of the remainder of the East Side, Granite Ridge, and Highlands South (24)subregions *Native* > Southwest side Region Active outside of Coastal Pressure subegion Zone 2C boundary in Monterey County (25)*Native* >> Boundary of Model outside of Zone 2C on the Northeast side of the remainder of the Forebay subregion (26)(27)Native >> Boundary of Model outside of Zone 2C on the Southwest side of the Upper Valley, Arroyo Seco, and Forebay regions, Hames Valley, and SLO active Regions *Native* > Eastside Regions Active East and outside of Below Dam and Upper Valley subregions of Zone 2C boundary in Monterey County (28)*Native* >> Remainder of Paso Robles Basin in active model grid in SLO County (SLO Model Active Grid Extent) (29)(30)Seaside Adjudicated Basin (landward only) - Urban Demand/Native-area recharge (31)Offshore (qw analysis only) > Source of Seawater Intrusion



Farm ID

27

31

#### 30 SVIHM Water-**Balance Accounting Units**

- Seaside Basin Included
- Coastal and Inland Urban areas grouped
- Zone 2C regions subdivided
- Additional regions added outside of Zone 2C
- Offshore region completed based on Geologic Framework Model



#### Initial Crop/Land-Use Categories & Climate Zones Developed

- Selected Individual Crops
- Selected Crops Groupings
- Coastal and Inland Groups
- Early-year/SVIGSM Groups

39 Barren/Burned



#### Science for a changing world

#### 4 general Groups of Land Use

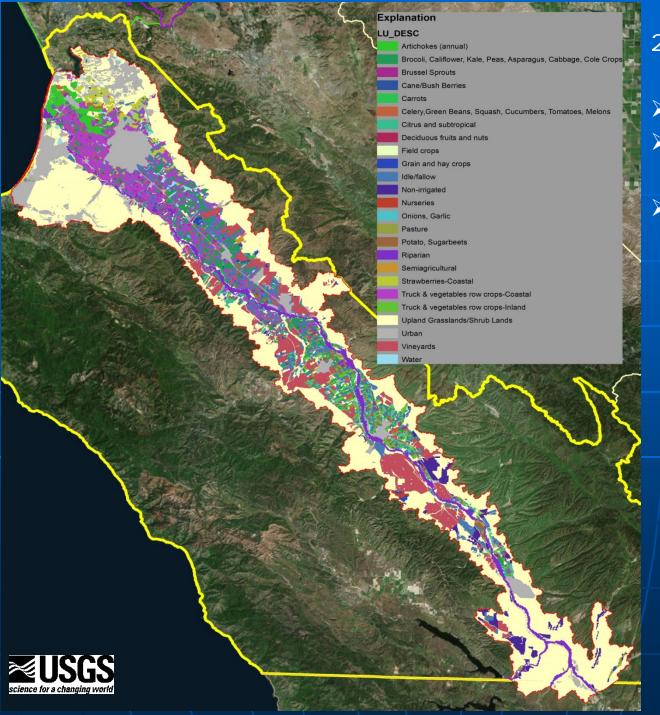
(1) Rotational Crops/Land Use changing every 30 -90 days

(2) Annual/Seasonal Crops/Land Use

(3) Multi-year Crops/Land Use

(4) "permanent" Native-Urban Crops/Land Use





#### 2000-2001 Land Use

- > NLCD 2001,
- Urban from SVIHMWBS Cells,
- > DWR 2000



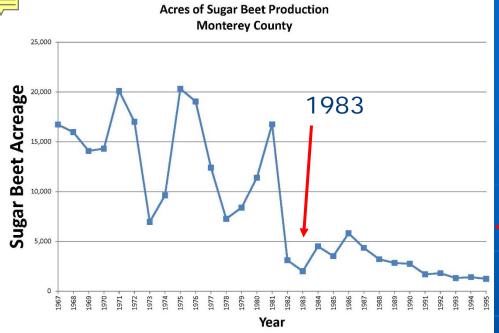
#### Explanation LU DESC Ag\_Trees Artichokes (annual) Artichokes (perrenial) Barren/Burned Reach-Dunes Brocoli, Califlower, Kale, Peas, Asparagus, Cabba\* Brocoli, Califlower, Kale, Peas, Asparagus, Cabbage, Cole Crops Cane/Bush Berries Celery, Green Beans, Squash, Cucumbers, Tomatoes, \* Celery, Green Beans, Squash, Cucumbers, Tomatoes, Melons Citrus and subtropical Cropland and pasture Deciduous fruits and nuts Grolf Course Turf/Parks Idle/fallow Irrigated Row and Field Crops Non-irrigated Onions, Garlic Pasture Potato, Sugarbeets Rotational Crops-Coastal Rotational Crops-Inland Semiagricultural Truck & vegetables row crops-Coastal Truck & vegetables row crops-inland Upland Grasslands/Shrub Lands Vineyards Woodlands Source: Earl DigitalClote, Coolbys, Earthatan Cooperaphiles, CNESTAthbus DS, USDA, USOS, AEX, Colmapping, Asvoydd, ICN, ICP, sylbs lopo, and the CIS SVIHM\_11032016\_v1\_Diss\_Landward User Community

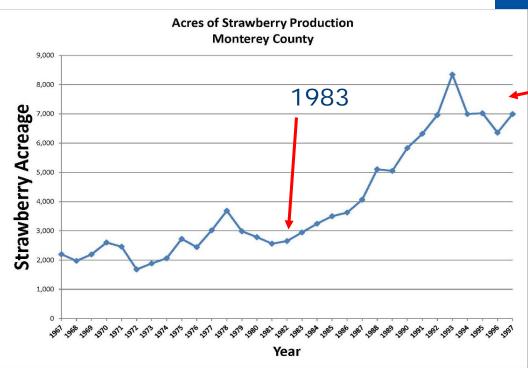
#### 2012 Ranch Map Land Use

- > NLCD 2011,
- Urban from SVIHM WBS Cells,
- > DWR 2000/2002











Example Crop
trends in
Monterey County
through time
Sugar Beets
(1967-1995)

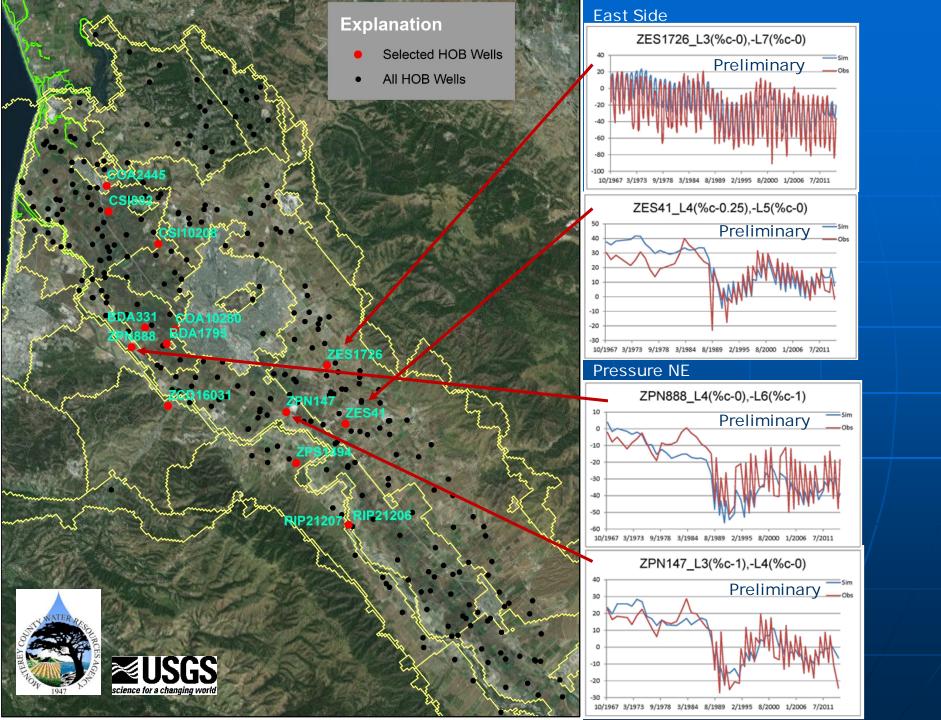
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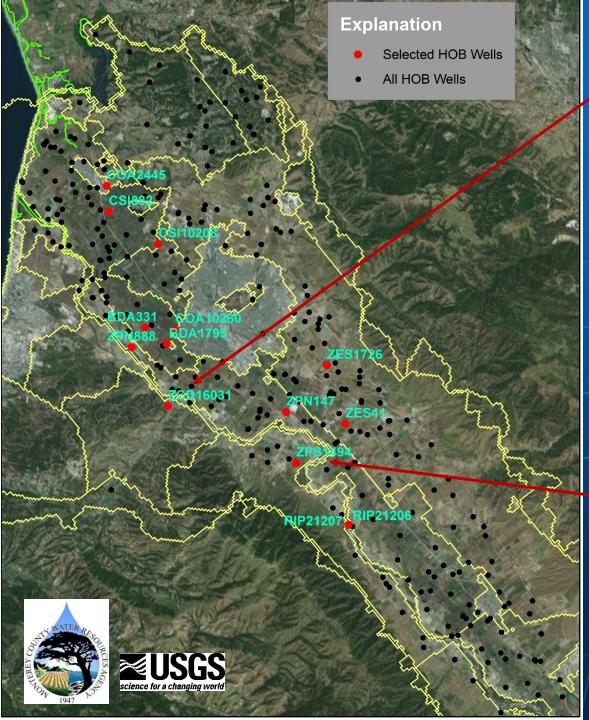
Strawberries (1967 – 1997) Break Point

→ 1983 (El Nino)?

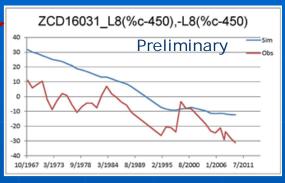
Interannual changes and trends not captured well in Current set of Land Use maps



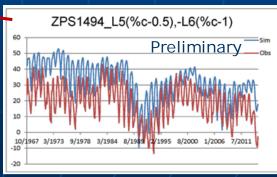


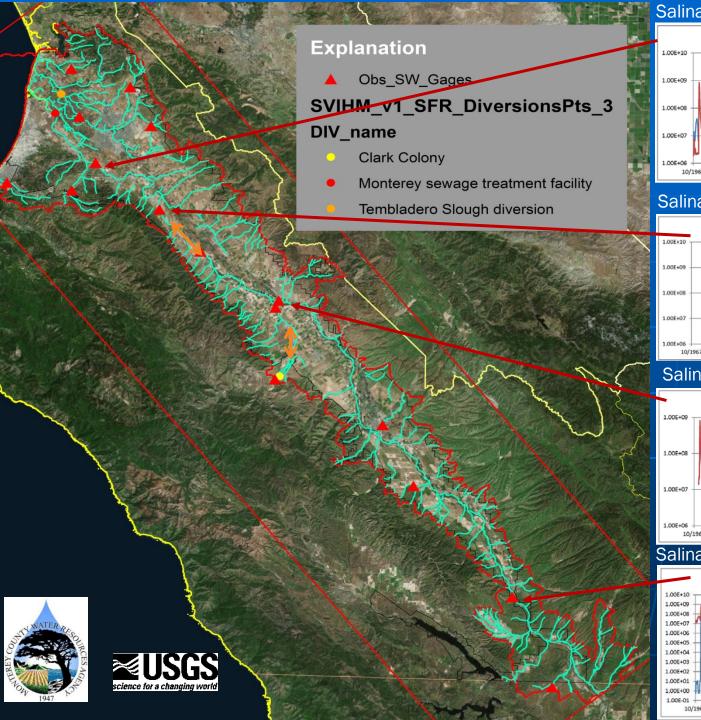


#### Corral De Tierra

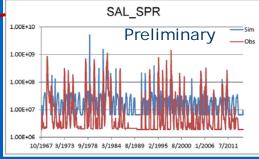


#### Pressure SW

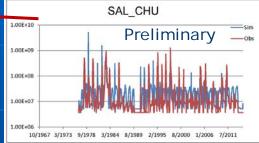




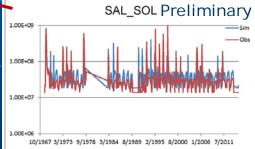
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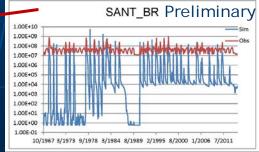
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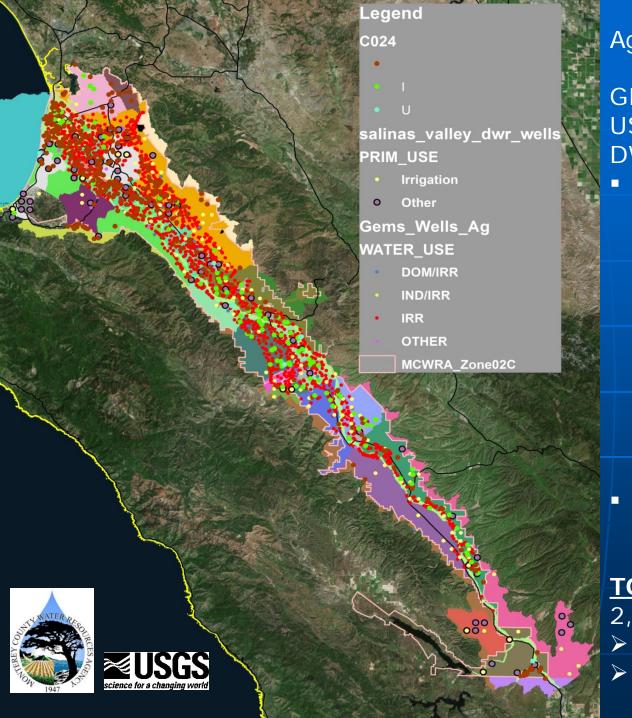


#### Salinas River at Soledad



#### Salinas River near Bradley





#### Agricultural Wells for FMP

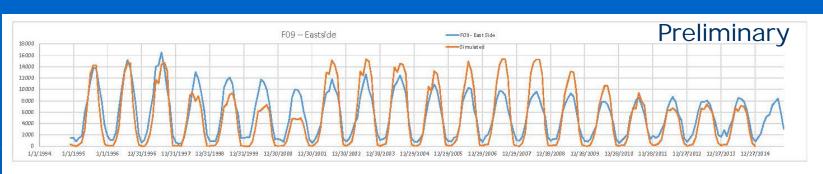
GEMS → 2,005 wells USGS-NWIS → 193 wells DWR → 200 wells

- The additional wells from USGS and DWR will be used to either supplement pre-1994 wells and to supplement regions outside of Zone 2C in the Granite Hills, Highlands South, Hames Valley, Other regions outside of Zone 2C, & SLO county portion
- Distribution of Ag Well pumpage is proportional to pumping capacities

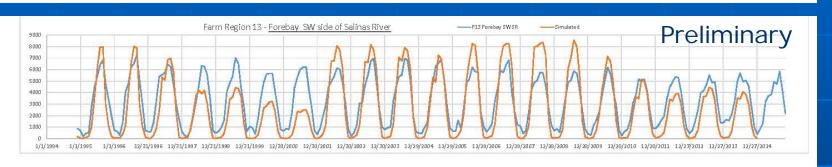
#### TOTAL MNW2 Wells →

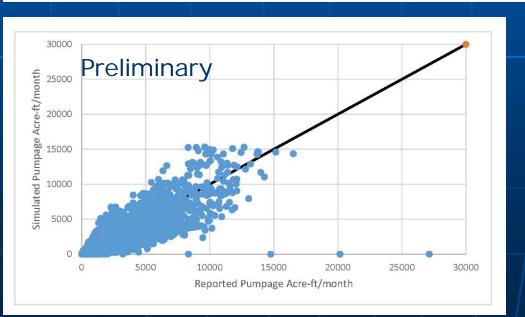
- 2,295 Wells
- ➤ FMP Wells → 2,004
- ➤ MnI Wells → 291

#### Agricultural Groundwater Pumpage Comparisons (Preliminary)









Pumpage (Acre-Ft/month):
Mean Error 523 Ac-ft/month,
RMSE 1,516 Ac-Ft/month,
0.36% of Average total
Agricultural Reported
Pumpage, and 89% within
1,000 AC-ft/month

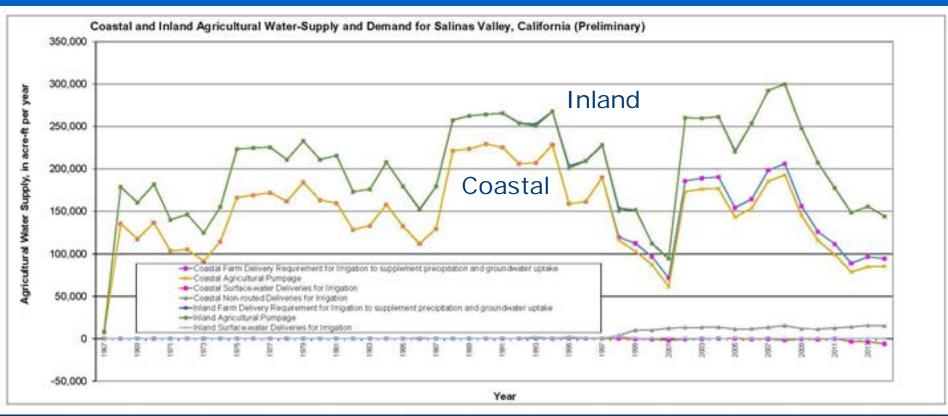




#### **Summary Preliminary Water Budgets**

#### Total Farm Delivery Requirement for Coastal and Inland Regions of Salinas Valley, CA











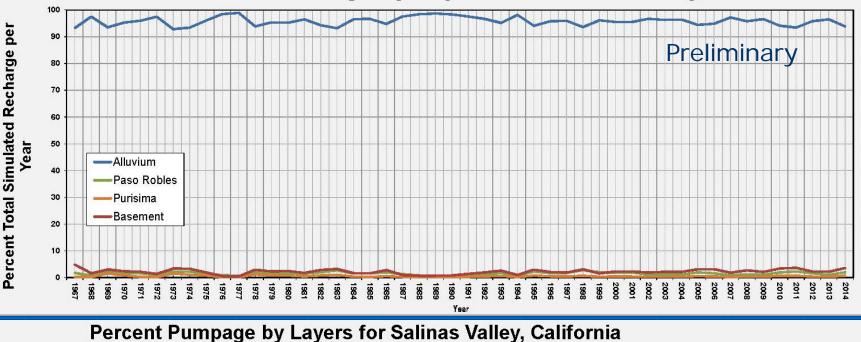
#### Distribution of Pumpage and Recharge by Aquifer Layer



#### Percent Total Recharge by Layers for Salinas Valley, California

Most Recharge Recent Alluvium aquifer



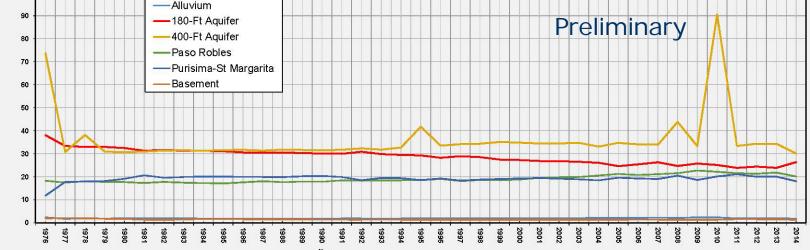


Most **Pumpage** 180 & 400-ft aquifers

Percent of Total Simulated

Pumpage per Year





#### **SVIHM Model Development & Uses**

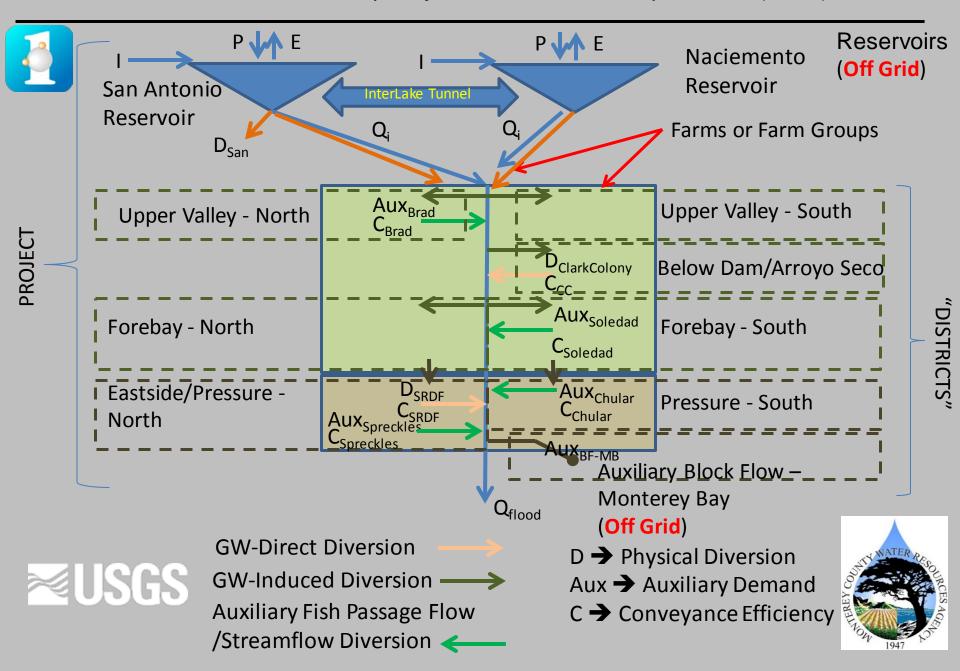
- Complete Model Calibration & Analysis 1967-2014
- Add additional Features (SWI & SWO)
- Updates for 2015 2017
- > Assessment of Baseline Conditions
- > Application to Inter-Lake Tunnel Operations
- > Application to Build-Out Assessment 2045
- ➤ Application to USBR/USGS Water Smart Project for Salinas Valley/Carmel River Valley → Assessment of Supply & Demand Historical/Future + Adaptation/Mitigation
- > <u>SGMA(?)</u>







#### SCHEMATIC for Salinas Valley Project Surface-Water Operations (SWO)



# Dynamic Linkage to San Antonio & Nacemiento Reservoirs



#### Reservoir Connection New Structure → Grid-Mapped Identifiers

**<u>Current FMP3</u>**: Water Accounting Supply-and-Demand Units)

• Farm

MF-OWHM: FMP4+Surface-Water Ops SWO: (Simulates/Analyzes Multi-Level Accounting)

- Project → Irrigated lands with common SW supply
- District → Irrigated lands with common SW allocation
- Unit → Irrigated lands with common point(s) of diversion, charge, and credit (NOTE: Unit = Service Area)
- Farm → Irrigated lands with common set of SW and GW deliveries
- Auxiliary/OffGrid→ Additional flow requirements (Fish passage flows, treaties, external deliveries, etc.)

Supports <u>demand driven</u> & <u>prescribed</u> releases for supply-and-demand linkage for "agricultural" water-supply and environmental flows dependent on <u>Demand, Supply, & Conveyance</u>!!!





**CONJUNCTIVE-USE ANALYSIS** in the Salinas Valley and across Monterey Bay with One Water (MF-OWHM)

Thanks for your attention....Questions or Comments??



