# Cape Fear River Basin Hydrologic Model Update

March 17, 2010





# Agenda

- 10:00 10:05 Opening Remarks
- 10:05 10:15 Lesson Learned
- 10:15 10:50 Model Schematic
- 10:50 11:25 Model Improvements
- 11:25 12:00 Funding
- 12:00 12:15 Wrap Up and Next Steps

# Proposed Water Resources Policy Act of 2009 Cape Fear River Basin Demonstration

Summer 2009

Division of Water Resources, NCDENR



#### Goals

- Test limitations of the current modeling approach.
- Develop a prototype permitting Decision Support System (DSS).
- Determine if any changes are needed to S907v1 to be able to implement a permitting program.



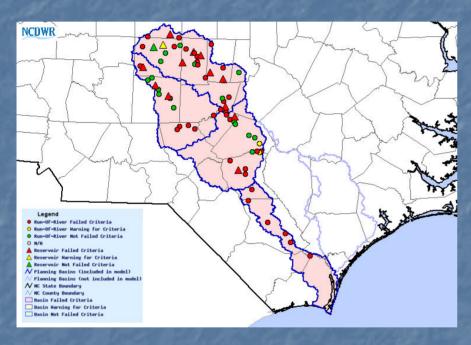
#### Summary Of The Work Done In June

- 4 Model Simulations
  - Each simulation was daily with a record from 1/1/1930 through 12/31/2005
  - 672 input values change for the 4 simulations.
  - The baseline required approximately 150 simulations to determine the yield for the 14 reservoirs.
- Develop A Water Withdrawal Decision Support System (DSS)
  - For the 4 simulations the DSS processed 79,057,632 output data values.
  - DWR staff used their best professional judgment to develop a first cut at a simplified approach for the integrity criteria.

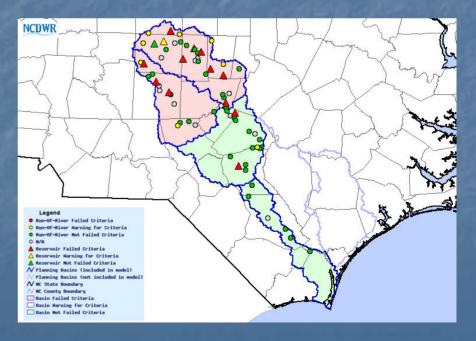


#### **Example Results**

**Overall Summary** 

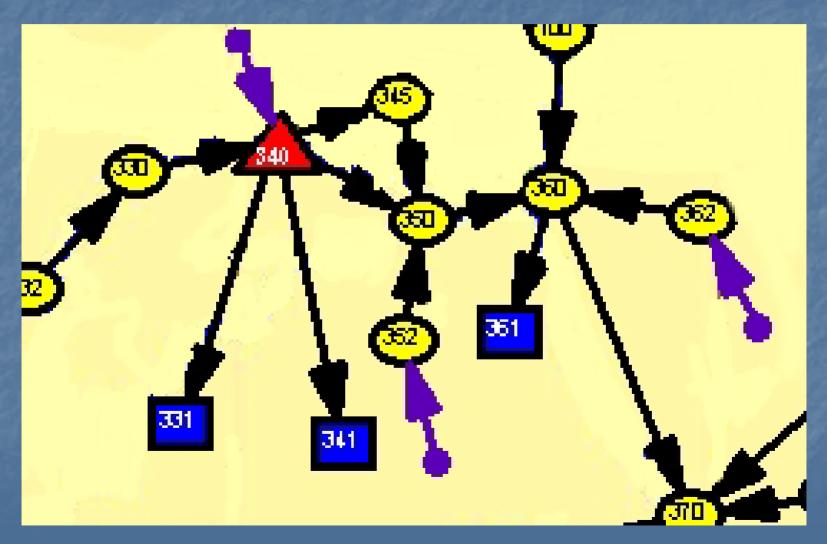


#### **Withdrawal Yield Analysis**





#### **Nodes And Arcs**





#### **Alternative Approach That Did NOT Work**

Compared Modeled 7Q10 to the 7Q10 used for NPDES Permits

		Permit	Base	2008	2020	2050	Gage
System	Permit	7Q10 cfs	7Q10 cfs	7Q10 cfs	7Q10 cfs	7Q10 cfs	7Q10 cfs
Burlington Eastside WWTP	NC0023868	33.5	36.7	21.2	28.3	60.4	
			9.3%	-36.7%	-15.5%	80.0%	
Fayetteville - Cross Creek WWTP	NC0023957	759.6	346.2 .4	338.8	213.9	189.3	
			%	-55.4%	-71.8%	-75.1%	
Graham WWTP	NC0021211	34.0	36.7	21.2	28.3	60.4	
			8.0%	-37.4%	-16.6%	77.8%	
Randleman WWTP	NC0025445	5.0	2.7 .4	11.5	23.5	29.9	12.4
			%	129.8%	369.8%	497.6%	



#### Lessons from demonstration project.

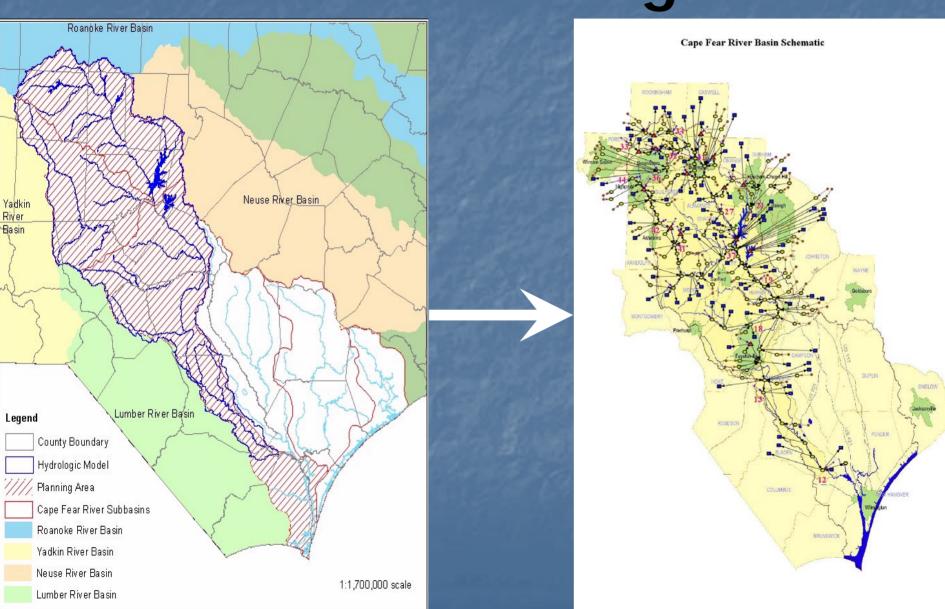
- Model Changes Needed For Future Models
  - Local inflow at all flow nodes.
  - Better historical information.
  - Link system withdrawals and discharges.
  - Link multiple intakes for a systems.



# Schematic



## **Model Coverage**





# **Model Updates**



# Additional Updates No cost or time estimates.

- Add Siler City's reservoir.
- Add Buckhorn and the Locks & Dams as reservoirs.
- Add Progress Energy skimming.
- Add instreamflow ecological flow nodes.
- Include water shortage plans and switch to turn on/off.
- Sensitivity analysis parameters (± percentage) inflows, evaporation, precipitation, and/or withdrawals.
- Combine Cape Fear and Neuse models.
- Add a feature to let users select runs, plots and tables from a "common directory.





# Minimum Updates Estimated Cost \$75,000 and 6 months to complete.

- Update inflows from 2005 to current.
  - Update of withdrawals, discharges, agricultural uses, and reservoir operations.
- Calibrate smaller reservoirs, if historical data is available.
- Simplify Jordan Lake drought code.
- Improve coding of operations of OWASA and Fayetteville.
- Link withdrawal and discharges.
- Update documentation.



# **Funding**

- DWR <u>may</u> be be able to contribute 50% of the funding for this update.
  - DWR will be doing the data collection for this update.
- If it is acceptable to the potential funding partners DWR has asked Triangle J to assist with coordinating the funding and contracting.



### **Next Steps**

- Join the model email list.
  - Cape-Fear-Model-join@lists.ncmail.net



# Questions

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