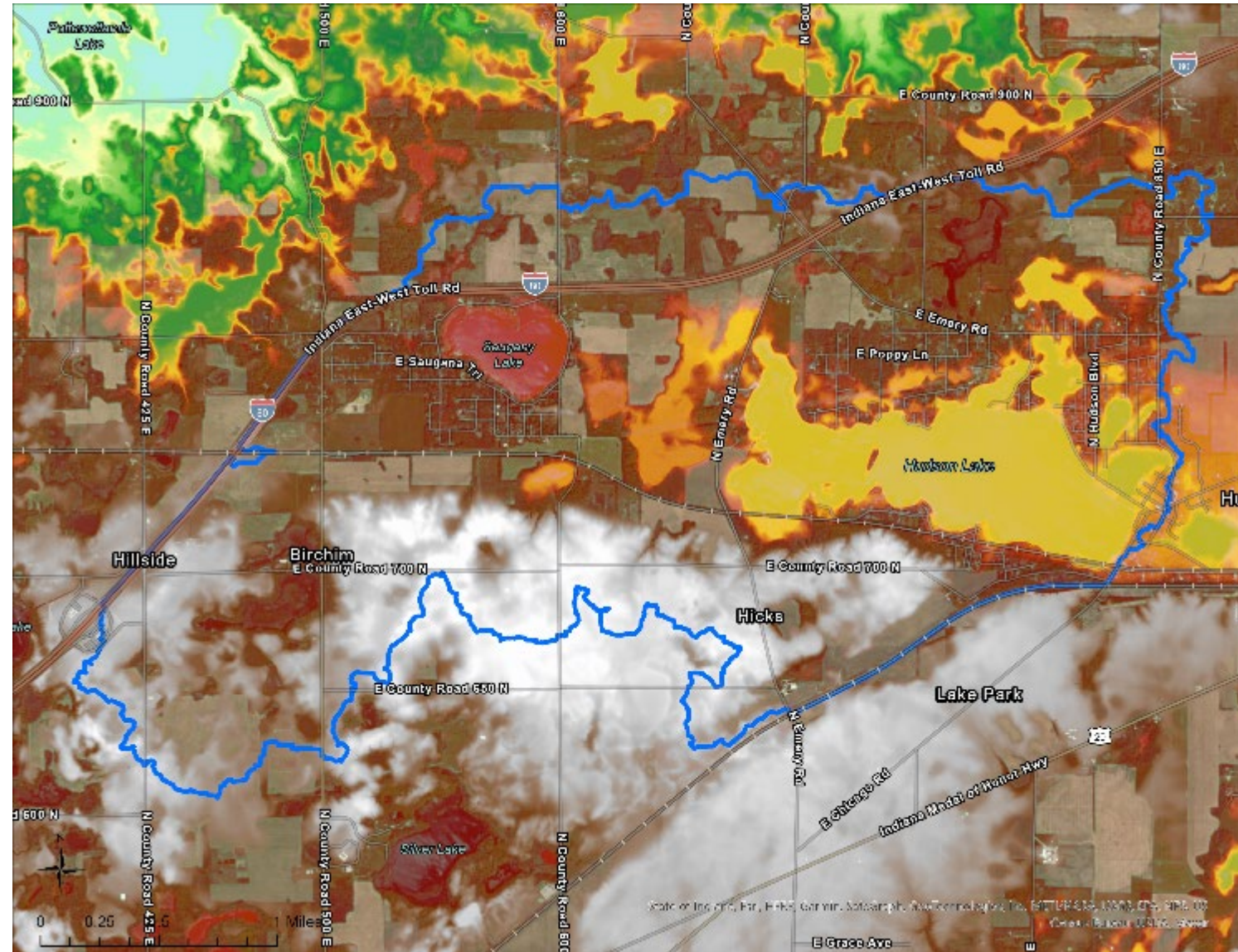


Hydrology, geology, and history of Hudson Lake, Indiana



Agenda

- Introduction – DNR role
- Objectives
- Description of Hudson lake
 - Hydrology
 - Geology
 - History
- Conclusions
- Recommendations



Introduction – DNR Role

The mission of the Indiana Department of Natural Resources is to protect, enhance, preserve, and wisely use natural, cultural, and recreational resources for the benefit of Indiana's citizens through professional leadership, management, and education.

The Division of Water is a regulatory and public information agency, having diverse responsibilities associated with the evaluation of Indiana's water resources, and development near Indiana's waterways and lakes. Regulatory responsibilities include floodway construction, floodplain hazard analysis, lakebed and shoreline alteration, dam safety, conservancy districts, water use, and water well construction. The Division provides useful public information related to water availability throughout Indiana, water use, and participation in the National Flood Insurance Program. Supplies a vast array of water resource information for individual citizens, industry, environmental groups, and government agencies; primarily responsible for programs including floodway construction, dam safety, flood hazard planning, flood plain regulations, conservancy districts, and water well construction.

→ <https://www.in.gov/dnr/about-us/what-we-do/>

The Resource Assessment Section 1) Investigates, monitors, and assesses water resource availability in the State of Indiana through analyses and interpretation of technical information, 2) to provide timely and relevant water resource products, 3) through cooperation with local, state, and federal stakeholders and partners.

Satisfy the Legislative Directives of IC 14-25-7 by conducting a “continuing assessment of the availability of the water resources” of the State of Indiana.



<https://www.in.gov/dnr/water/>

Resource Assessments

- [Monthly Water Resource Summary](#)
- [Water Shortage Plan](#)
- [Ground Water Basics](#)
- [Basin Studies](#)
- [Aquifer Systems Mapping](#)
- [Potentiometric Surface Mapping](#)
- [Water Availability](#)

Objectives

For this meeting:

To inform and educate on the history, hydrology, and geology of the Hudson Lake Indiana region

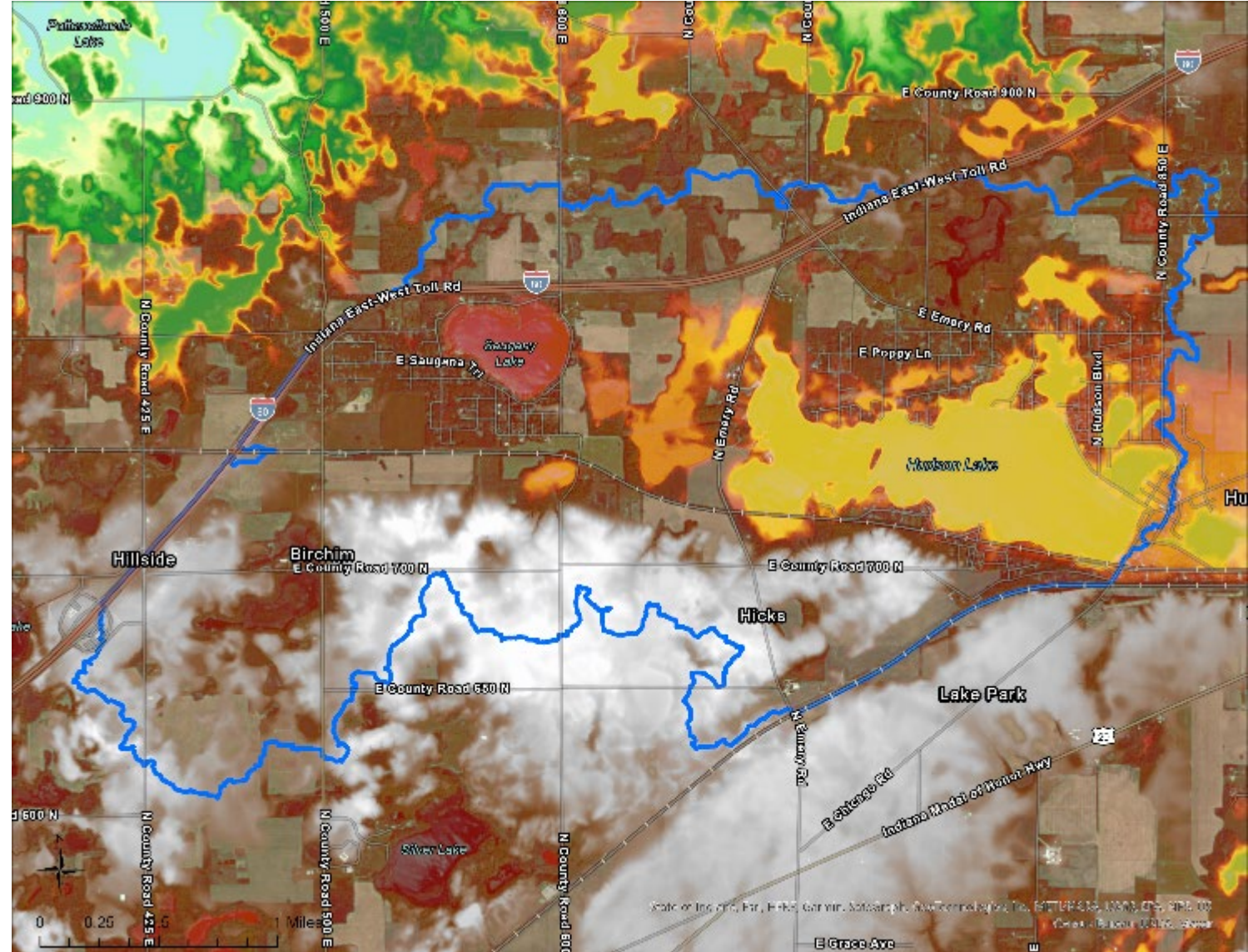
Long term:

To develop a hydrologic monitoring program



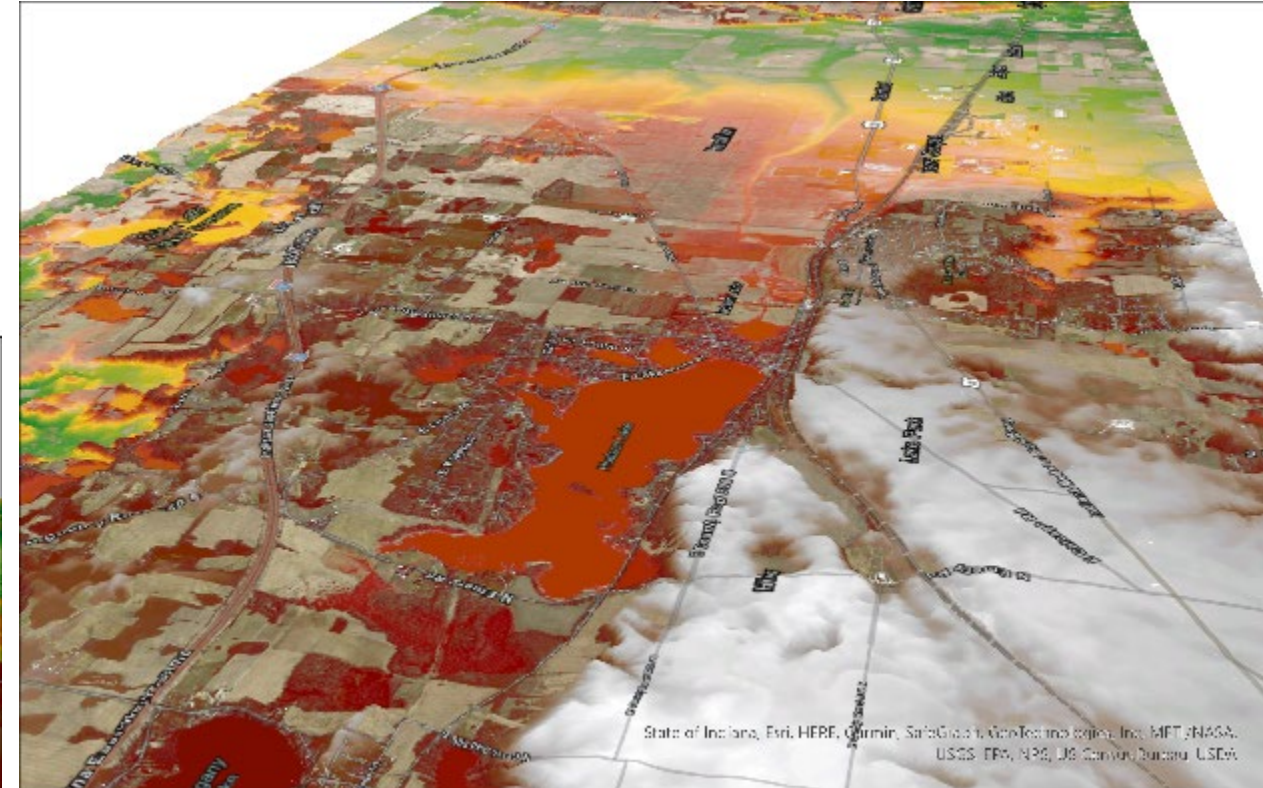
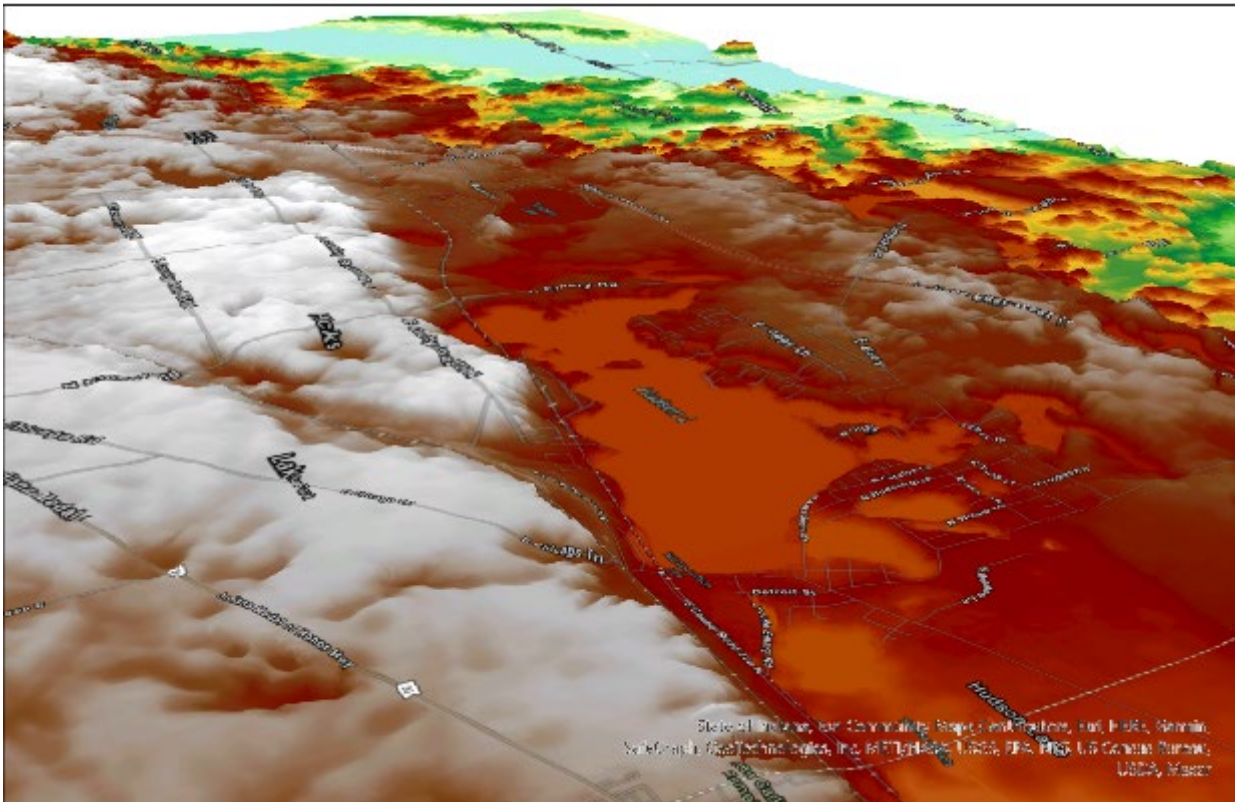
Objectives

A collaborative effort to develop a hydrologic monitoring network will provide the necessary information to inform our understanding of how water cycles through Hudson Lake, in turn guiding future lake management plans.



Objectives

These collaborative monitoring efforts are best achieved through educating and informing stakeholders.



A common and shared understanding of the unique and complex attributes of the Hudson Lake system will aid the collaborative monitoring efforts

Ultimately, we
want to
understand the
water cycle for
Hudson Lake



liquid water can be fresh, saline (salty), or an extreme high- or low-salt brine. Most of all water is saline or stored in oceans. Places like the ocean, where water is stored, are called pools. On land, salt or brackish water is stored in saline lakes whereas fresh water is stored in liquid form in freshwater lakes, arctic ice, reservoirs, rivers, wetlands, and in soil or soil moisture. Deep in the ground, liquid water is stored as groundwater in pores, not within the cracks and pores of rocks. The ice in the frozen mass of water is stored in ice sheets, glaciers, and snowpack or high-altitude ice near the Earth's poles. Fresh water is abundant in the soil as permafrost. Water is also in the ground, but not as it should be: as atmospheric moisture near the ocean and land.

As it moves, water can transform into a solid, a liquid, or a gas—and there are ways in which water moves over, over, and over as snows, **flashes**. **Circulation** moves water in the oceans and transports water vapor in the atmosphere. Water moves between the atmosphere and the Earth's surface through **evaporation**, **evapotranspiration**, and **precipitation**. Water moves across the land surface through **saturated runoff**, and **streamflow**. Through infiltration and **groundwater recharge**, water moves into the ground. Other underground groundwater enters water aquifers and can move to the surface through **springs** or artificial **groundwater discharge** into rivers and oceans.

Humans alter the water cycle. We're digging rivers, putting dams to store water, and clearing water from wetlands for development. We've gotten from rivers, oceans, reservoirs, and groundwater sources. We use that water to supply cities and homes; communities; (1) for agricultural irrigation and grazing, livestock, and (2) for industrial activities, for thermoelectric power generation, mining, and aquaculture. The amount of available water depends on how much water is in a local watershed and how much water an ability to access depends on when and how far water moves before filtering. Freshwater is much harder to find, and some can be used in two or quality.

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- USGS recently published water cycle diagrams
- Explore interactive mapping services
- Newsworthy publication

Overview

Learn more about where water is on Earth and how it moves using one of the USGS water cycle diagrams. We offer downloadable and interactive versions of the water cycle diagram for elementary students and beyond. Our diagrams are also available in multiple languages. Explore our diagrams below.

Water Science School HOME • The Water Cycle •

The Water Cycle

Our newest diagram, released in 2022, depicts the global water cycle, as well as how human water use affects where water is stored, how it moves, and how clean it is. The diagram is available as a downloadable product in English and Spanish. (Check back in the future as additional translated versions become available.)

ZOOMABLE WATER CYCLE DIAGRAM (ENGLISH AND SPANISH)

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DIAGRAMA DEL CICLO DEL AGUA (ESPAÑOL)

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The Natural Water Cycle

This diagram depicts the water cycle under natural conditions. It does not include human influences on the global water cycle. The natural water cycle diagram is available in more than 60 languages.

NATURAL WATER CYCLE DIAGRAM (ENGLISH)

DIAGRAMA DEL CICLO NATURAL DEL AGUA (ESPAÑOL)

NATURAL WATER CYCLE DIAGRAMS (ALL LANGUAGES)

The Water Cycle for Kids

This water cycle diagram was specifically designed for young learners (K-5). It is available in more than 35 languages, as well as in interactive formats for beginning, intermediate, and advanced learners.

THE WATER CYCLE DIAGRAM FOR KIDS (ENGLISH)

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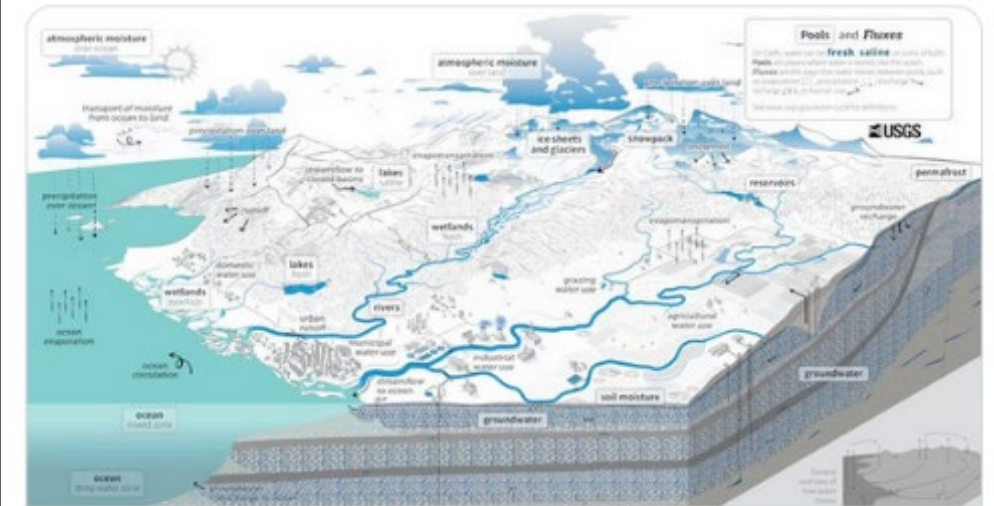
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Humans are front and center in the new water cycle diagram from the USGS. It's the first update to the educational chart used by hundreds of thousands of students in more than 20 years.



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Not Your Childhood Water Cycle - Eos

The USGS just debuted a complete remaking of the water cycle diagram—with humans as headliners.

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CHAPTER 1 • INTRODUCTION TO HYDROLOGIC SCIENCE

FIGURE 1-1
Principal storages (boxes) and pathways (arrows) of water in the global hydrologic cycle.

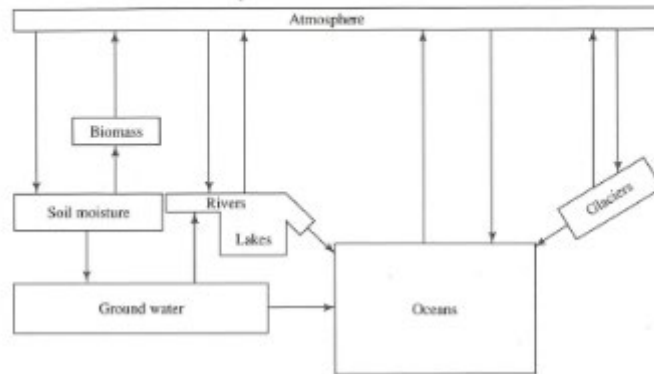
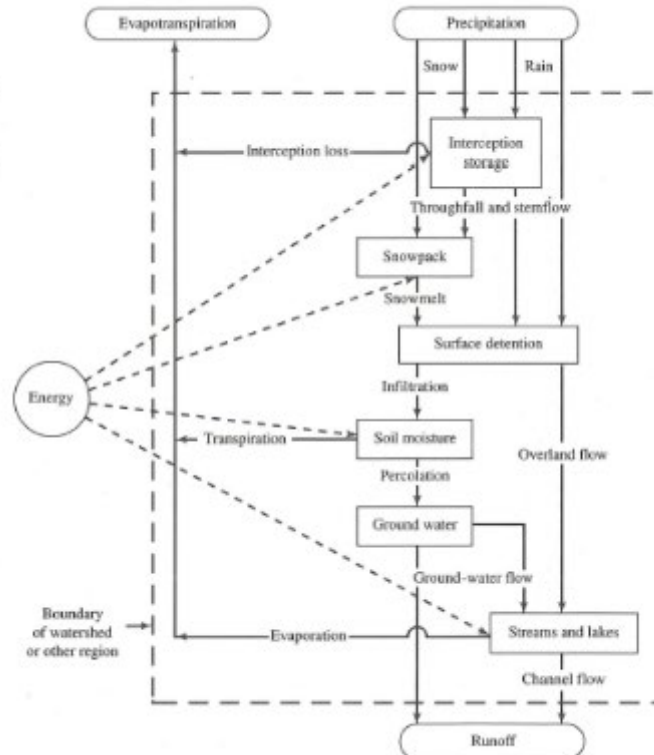


FIGURE 1-2
Principal storages (boxes) and pathways (arrows) of water in the land phase of the hydrologic cycle. From *Fluvial Hydrology* by S. Lawrence Dingman, © 1984, W.H. Freeman and Company. Reprinted with permission.



Water budgets

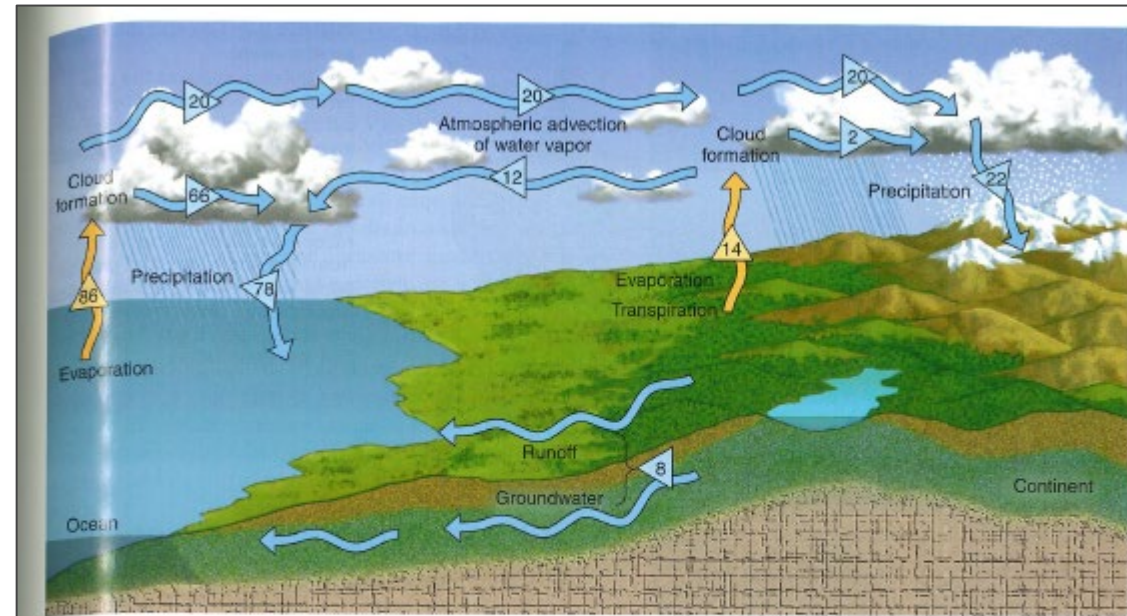


FIGURE 9.1 The hydrologic cycle model.

The model shows how water travels endlessly through the hydrosphere, atmosphere, lithosphere, and biosphere. The triangles show global average values as percentages. Note that all evaporation ($86\% + 14\% = 100\%$) equals all precipitation ($78\% + 22\% = 100\%$) when all of Earth is considered. Regionally, various parts of the cycle will vary, creating imbalances and, depending on climate, surpluses in one region and shortages in another.



Earth's Water and the
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Water budgets

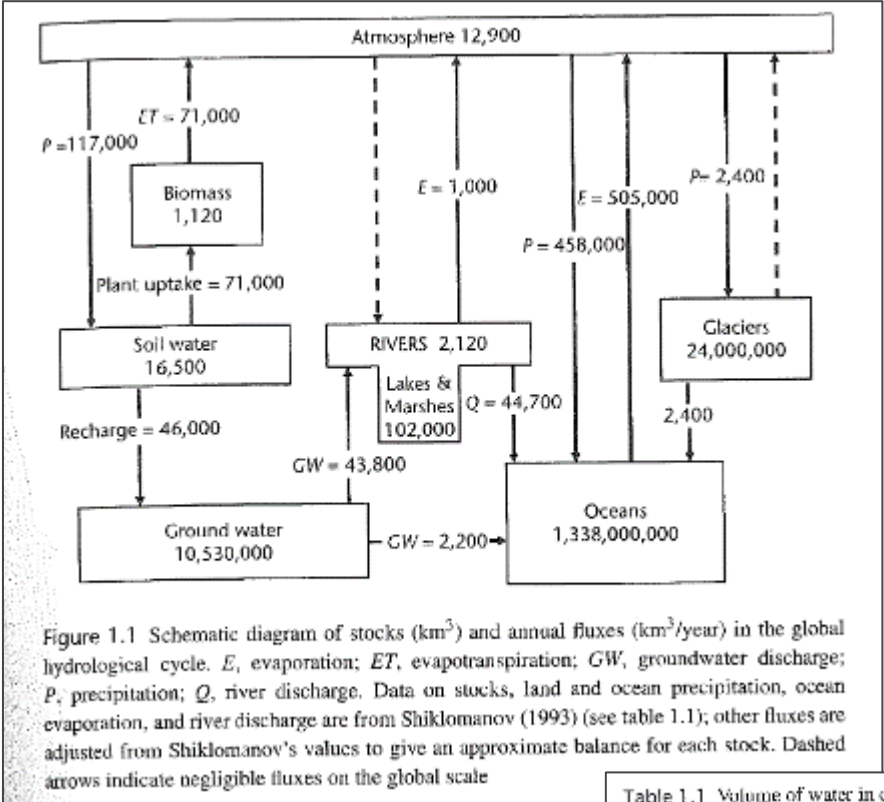
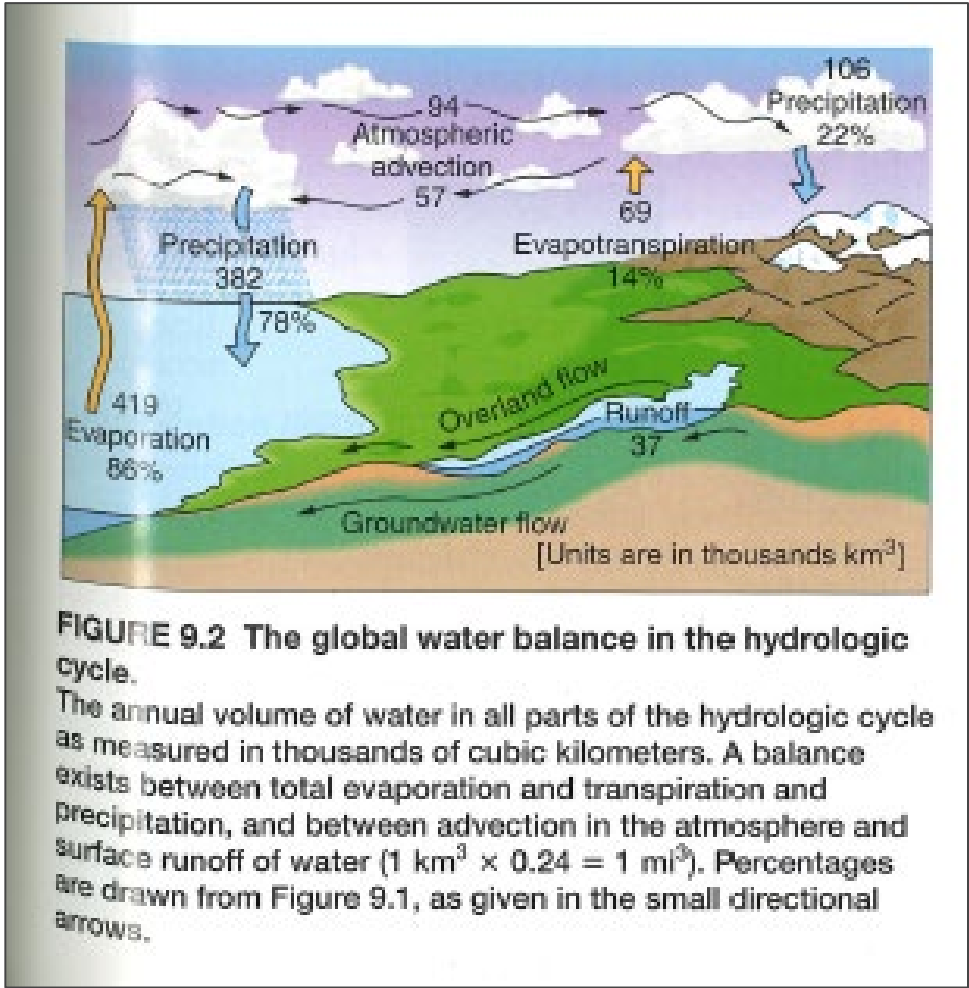


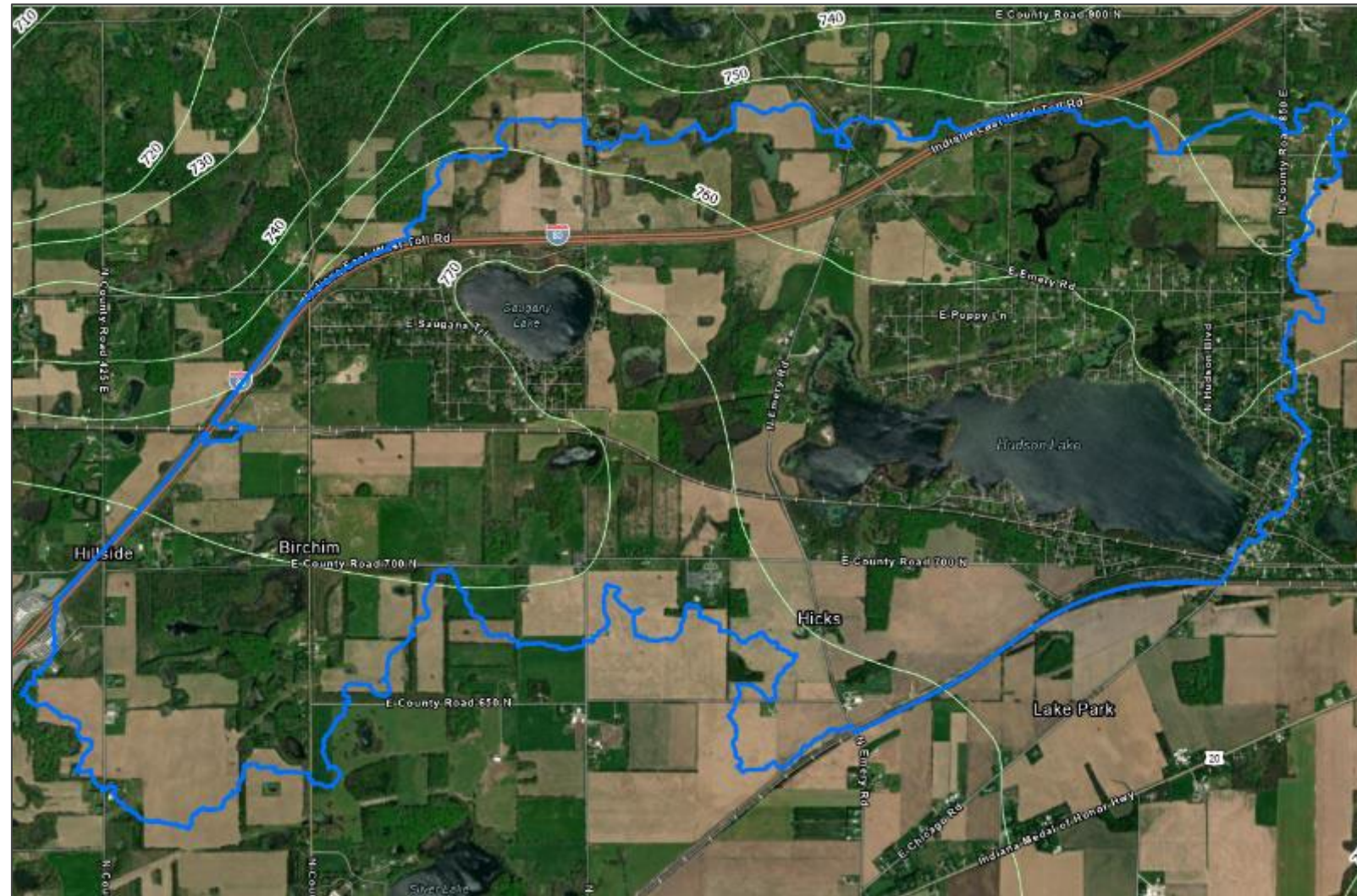
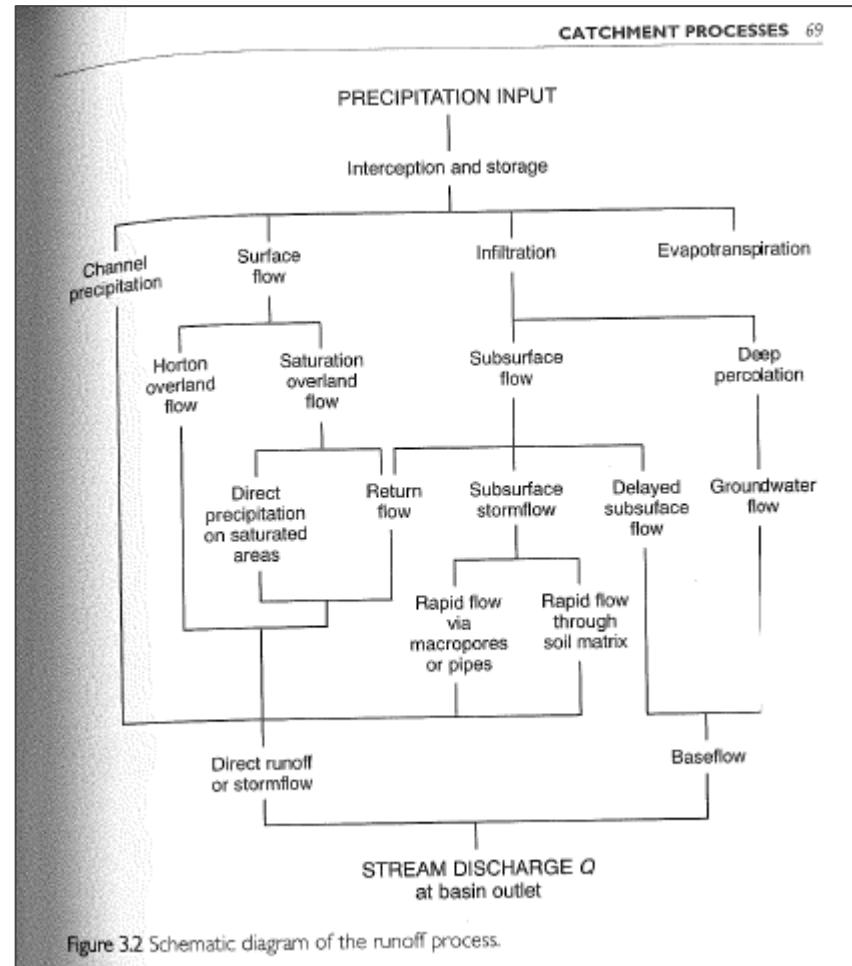
Table 1.1 Volume of water in compartments of the global hydrologic cycle.

Compartment	Area covered ($1,000 \text{ km}^2$)	Volume (km^3)	Percentage of total water	Percentage of freshwater
Oceans	361,300	1,338,000,000	96.5	—
Groundwater	134,800	23,400,000	1.7	—
Fresh		10,530,000	0.76	30.1
Soil water		16,500	0.001	0.05
Glaciers and permanent snow	16,227	24,064,000	1.74	68.7
Antarctica	13,980	21,600,000	1.56	61.7
Greenland	1,802	2,340,000	0.17	6.68
Arctic Islands	226	83,500	0.006	0.24
Mountains	224	40,600	0.003	0.12
Permafrost	21,000	300,000	0.022	0.86
Lakes	2,059	176,400	0.013	—
Fresh	1,236	91,000	0.007	0.26
Saline	822	85,400	0.006	—
Marshes	2,683	11,470	0.0008	0.03
Rivers	148,800	2,120	0.0002	0.006
Biomass	510,000	1,120	0.0001	0.003
Atmosphere	510,000	12,900	0.001	0.04
Total water	510,000	1,385,984,000	100	—
Total freshwater	148,800	35,029,000	2.53	100

The global cycle is diagrammed in figure 1.1. From Shiklomanov (1993), with permission of Oxford University Press.

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Water budget for the Hudson Lake system

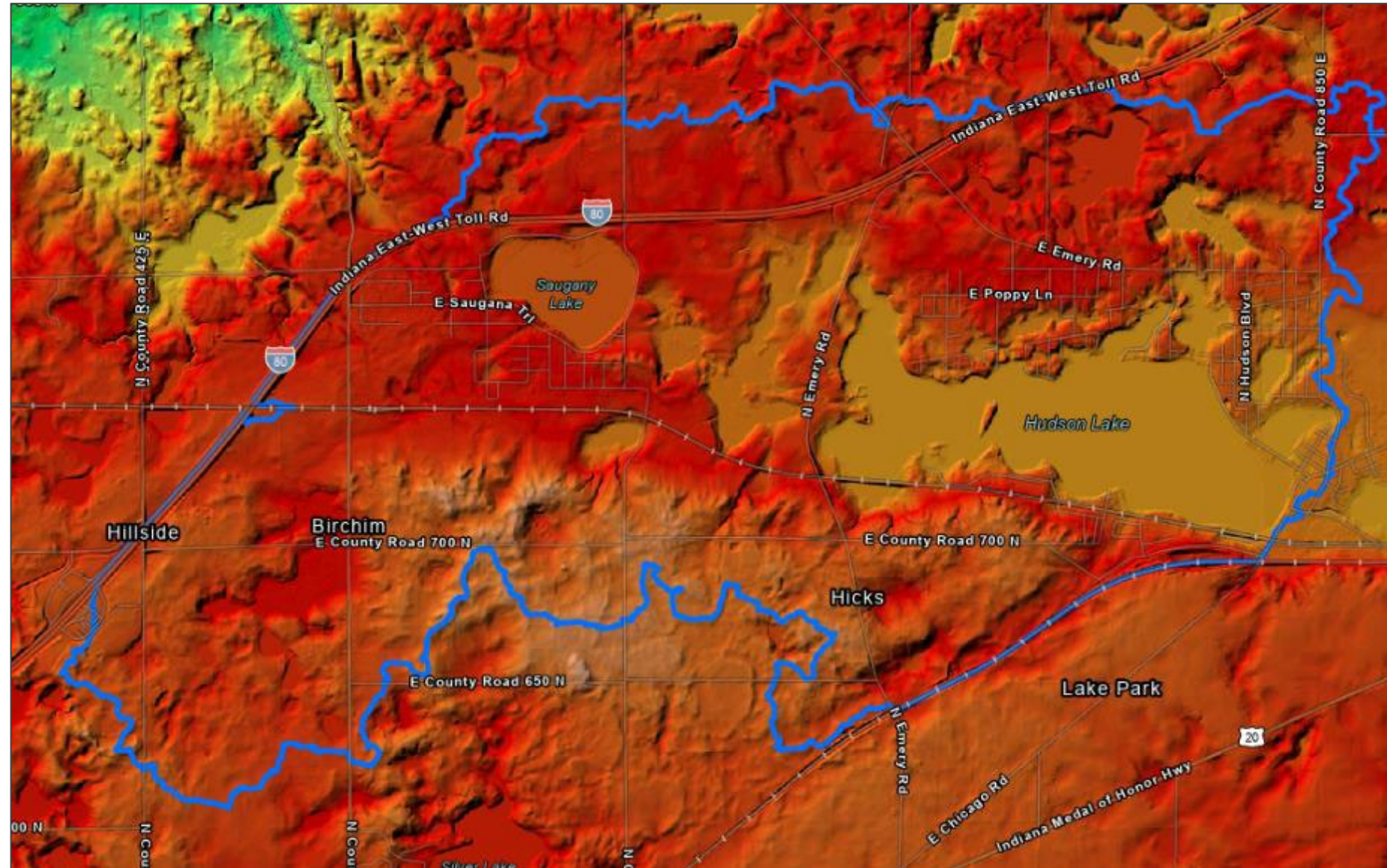


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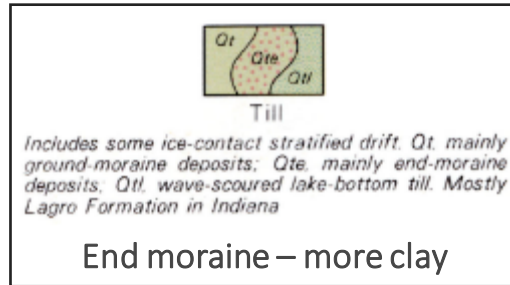
Concept of watershed

Geology drives how
water moves through
the landscape

Hudson Lake
landscape is unique



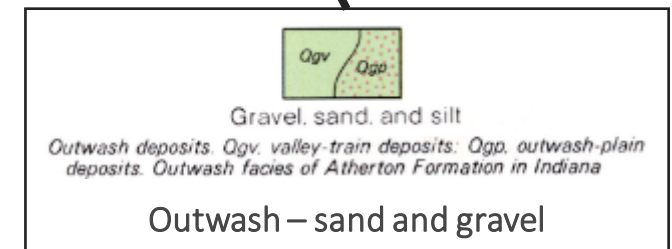
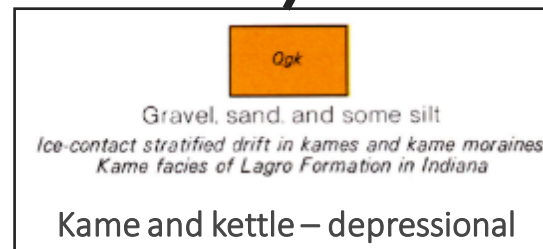
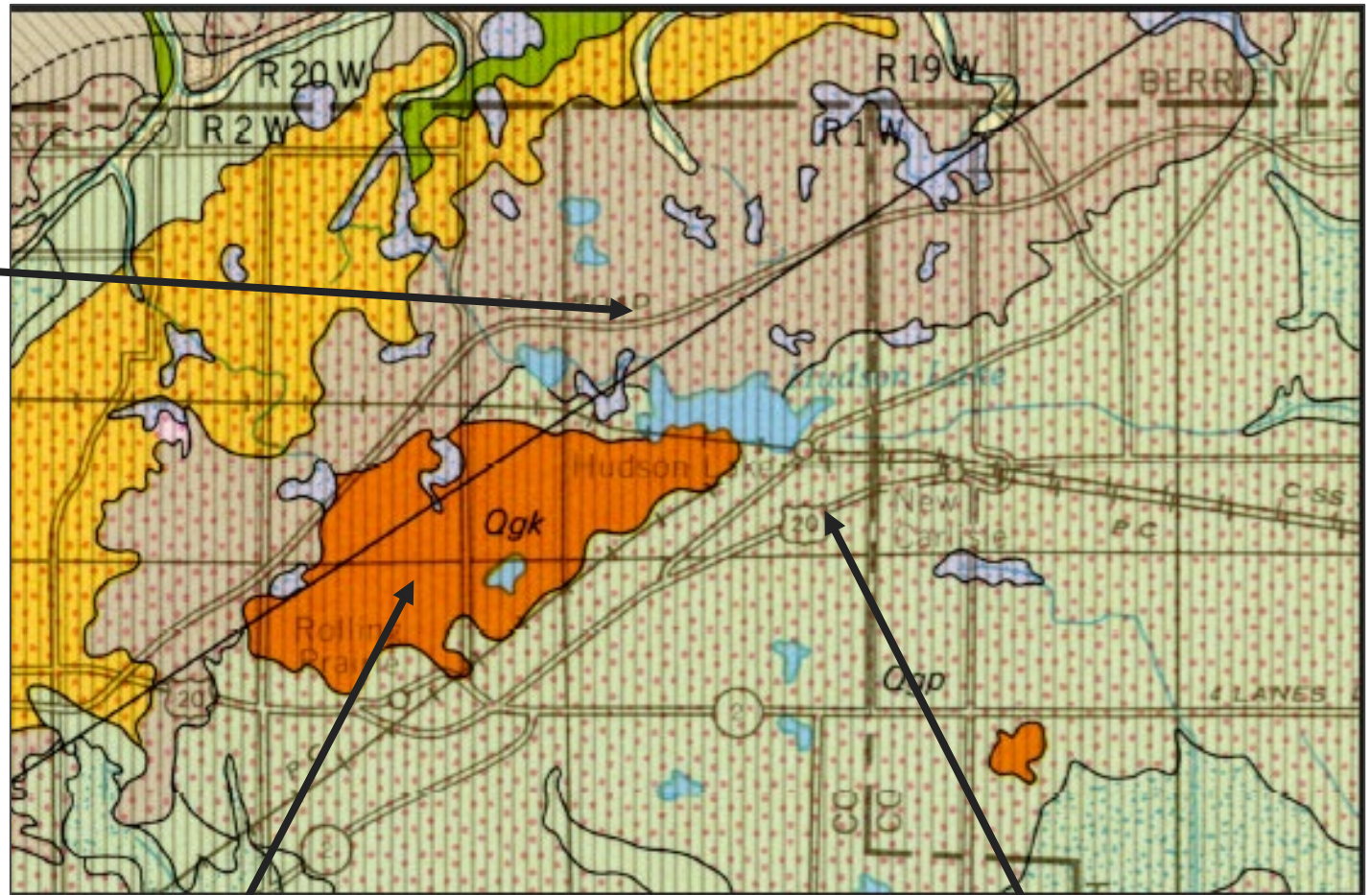
Geology of Hudson Lake



Glacial geology

Young landscape - 10-15k years old

- Complex soils
- Higher clay content to the N
- Depressional to the SW
- Sand and gravel to the SE
- Aeolian too



Geology of Hudson Lake

Glacial geology (View in GIS viewer)

Valparaiso Moraine

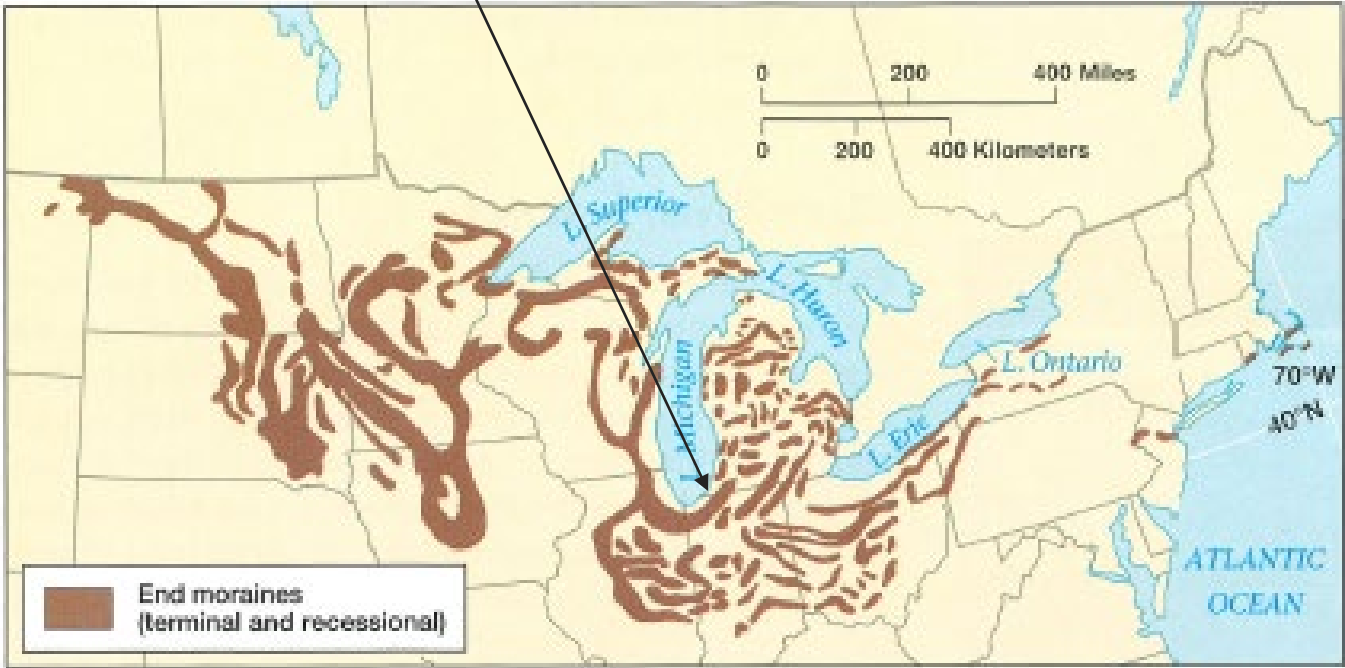
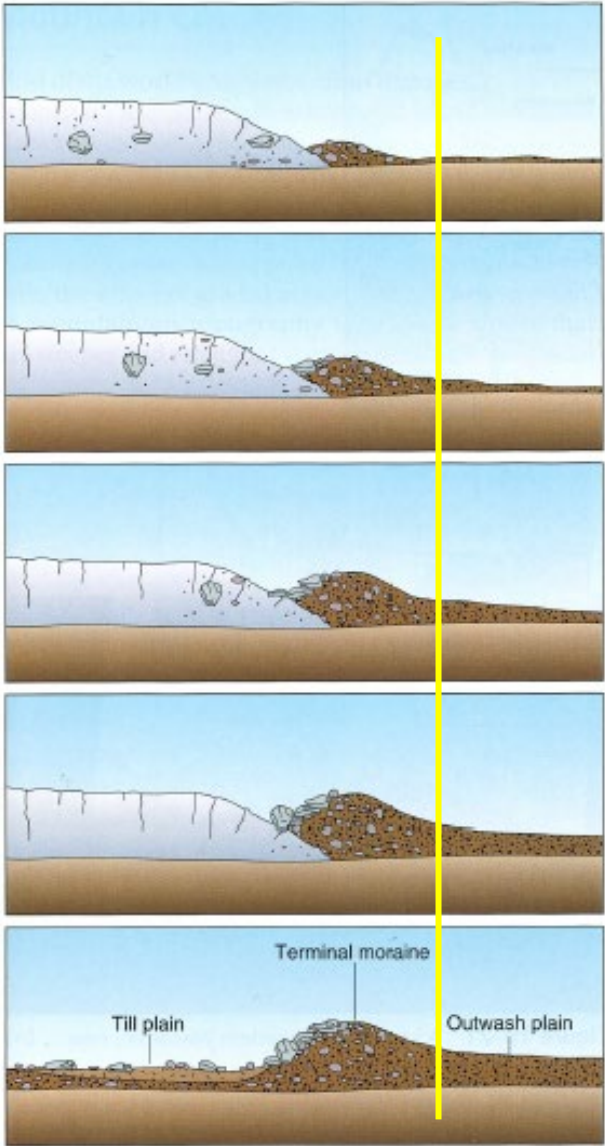


Figure 19-19 Terminal and recessional moraines in the United States resulting from the Wisconsin glaciation.



Yellow line shows hypothetical Hudson Lake location

Figure 19-18 Terminal moraine growth at the toe of a stable glacier. The movement of a large boulder is shown from the time it is plucked from the bedrock until it is deposited as part of the moraine. The final diagram represents the situation after the ice has melted. (After Sheldon Judson, Marvin E. Kauffman, and L. Don Leet, *Physical Geology*. Englewood Cliffs, NJ: Prentice Hall, 1987.)

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Kettles and kames

Hudson Lake is a kettle lake

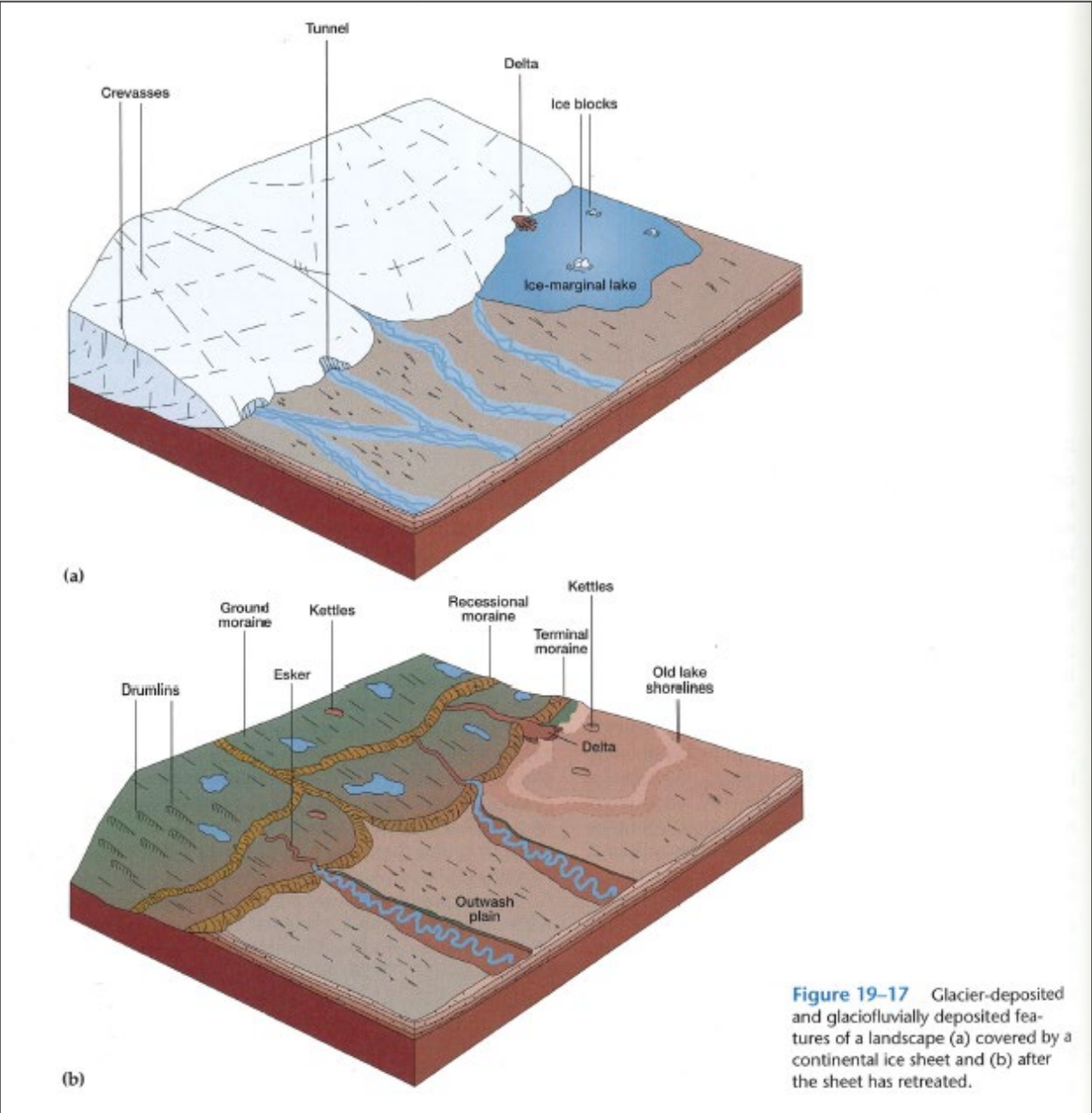


Figure 19-17 Glacier-deposited and glaciofluvially deposited features of a landscape (a) covered by a continental ice sheet and (b) after the sheet has retreated.



Figure 19-21 A kame in southeastern Wisconsin, near Dundee. (TLM photo)

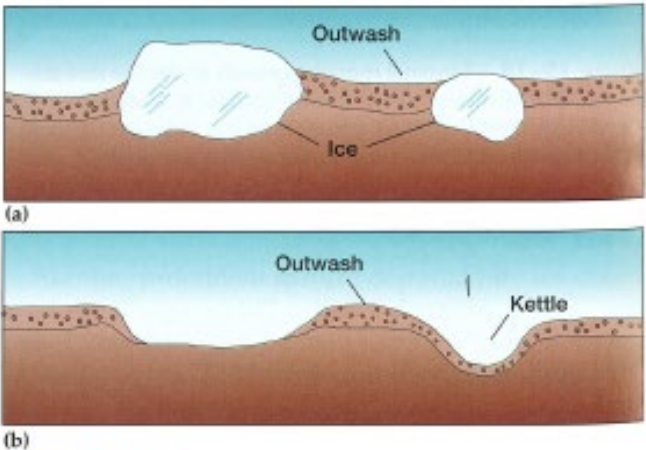
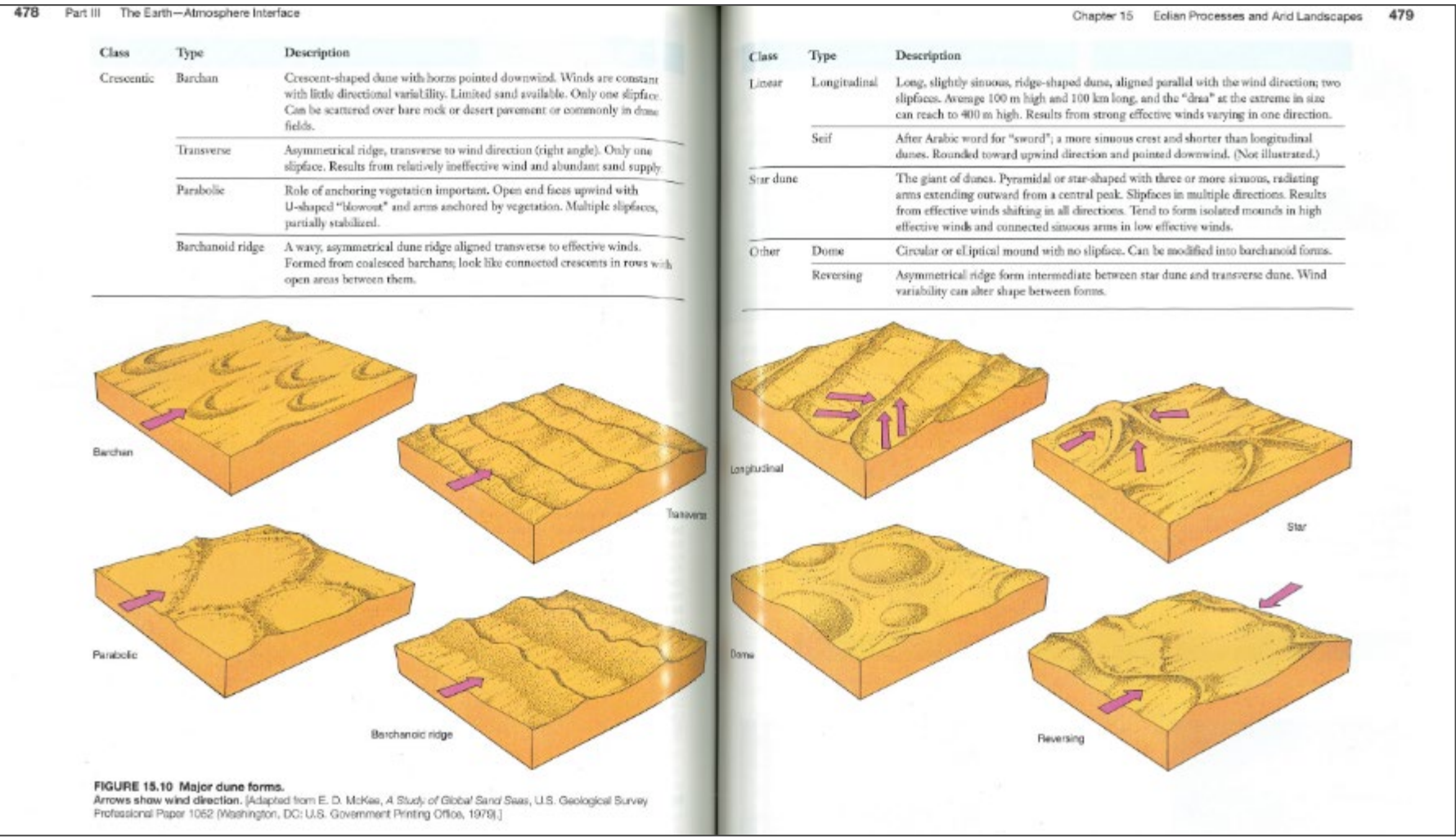


Figure 19-22 The formation of kettles. During deglaciation isolated masses of ice are often mixed in with the glacial debris and outwash, and melt only slowly because of the insulation provided by the surrounding debris. When the ice does eventually melt, sizable irregularities (known as kettles) may pit the surface of the outwash.

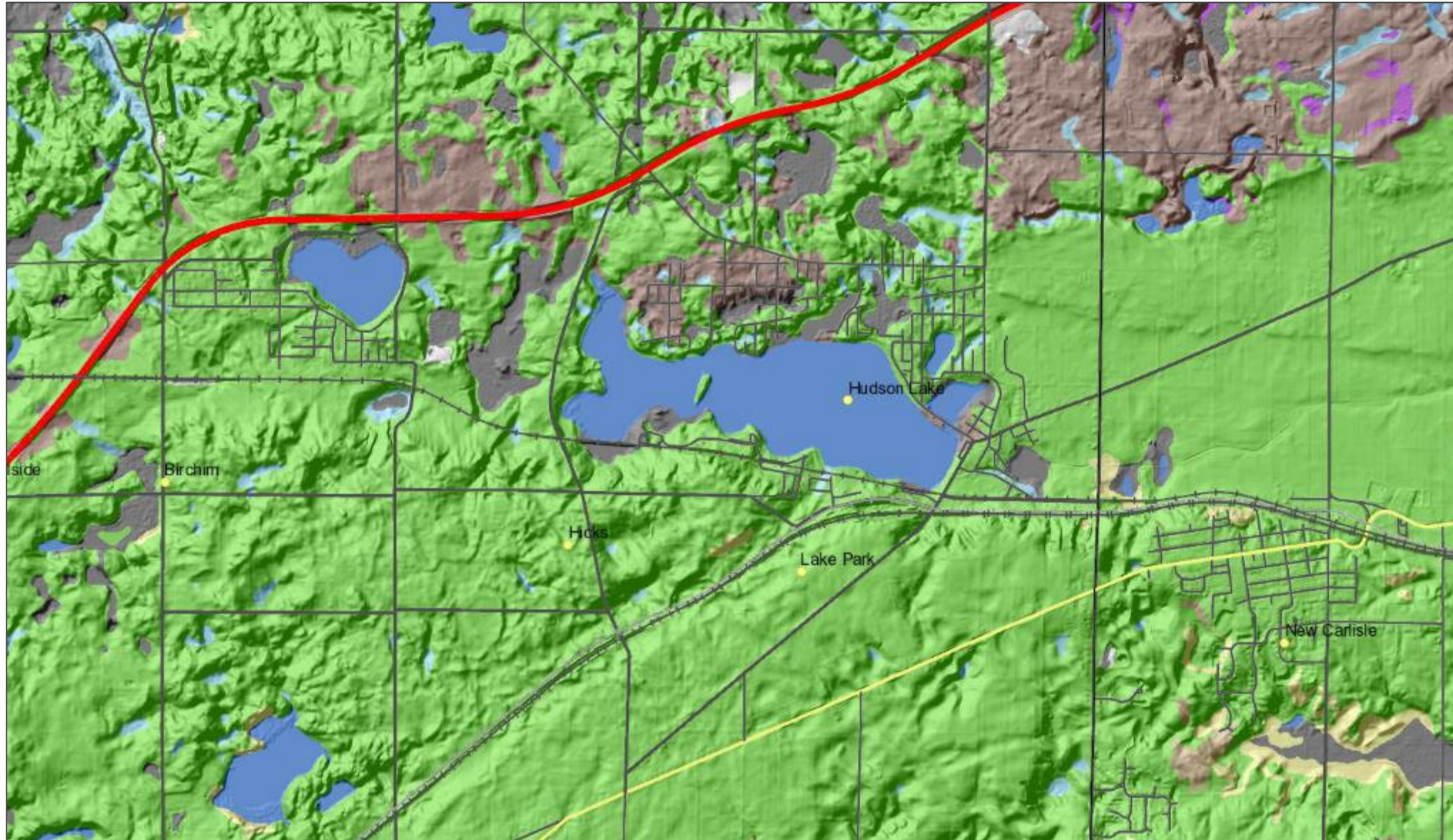
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Aeolian (wind-driven) deposits south of Hudson Lake



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Soil explorer - Let's visit: <https://soilexplorer.net/>



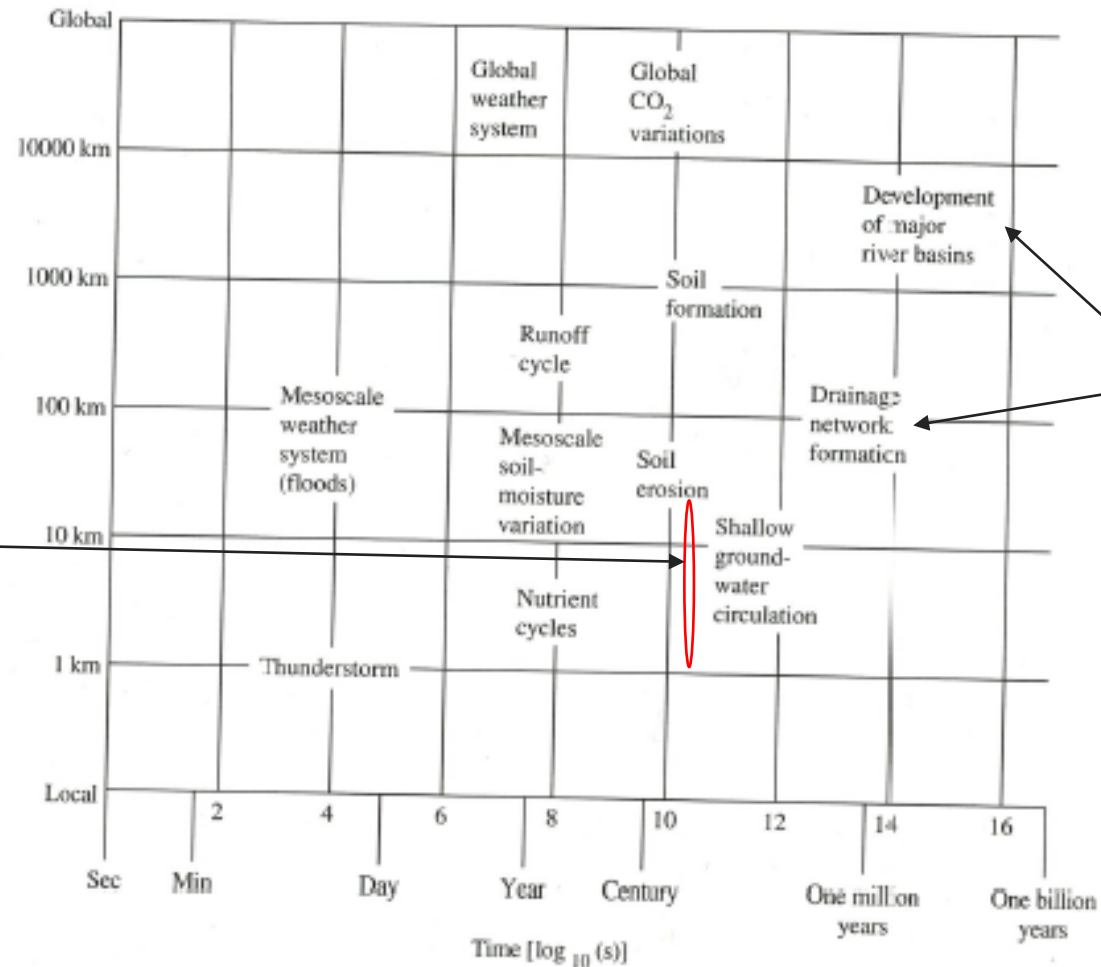
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APPROACH AND SCOPE OF THIS BOOK

Young landscape

Hudson Lake is here:

- 10-15k year old since glaciation
- Drainage area, or watershed, is difficult to determine



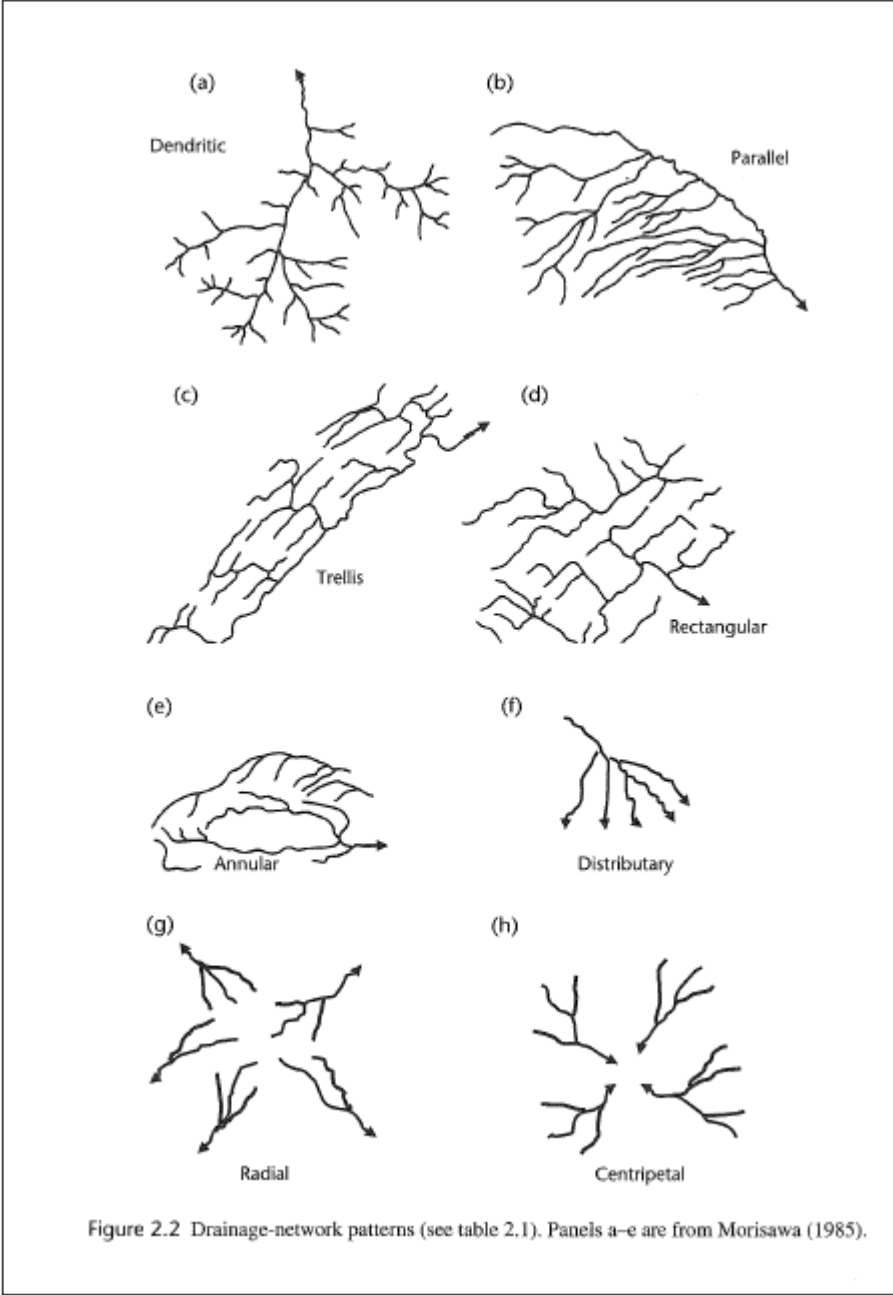
Too young for the formation of stream networks

FIGURE 1-3

Range of space and time scales of hydrologic processes. Reprinted with permission from *Opportunities in the Hydrologic Sciences*, © 1991 by the National Academy of Sciences. Courtesy of the National Academy Press, Washington DC.

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Steam network patterns

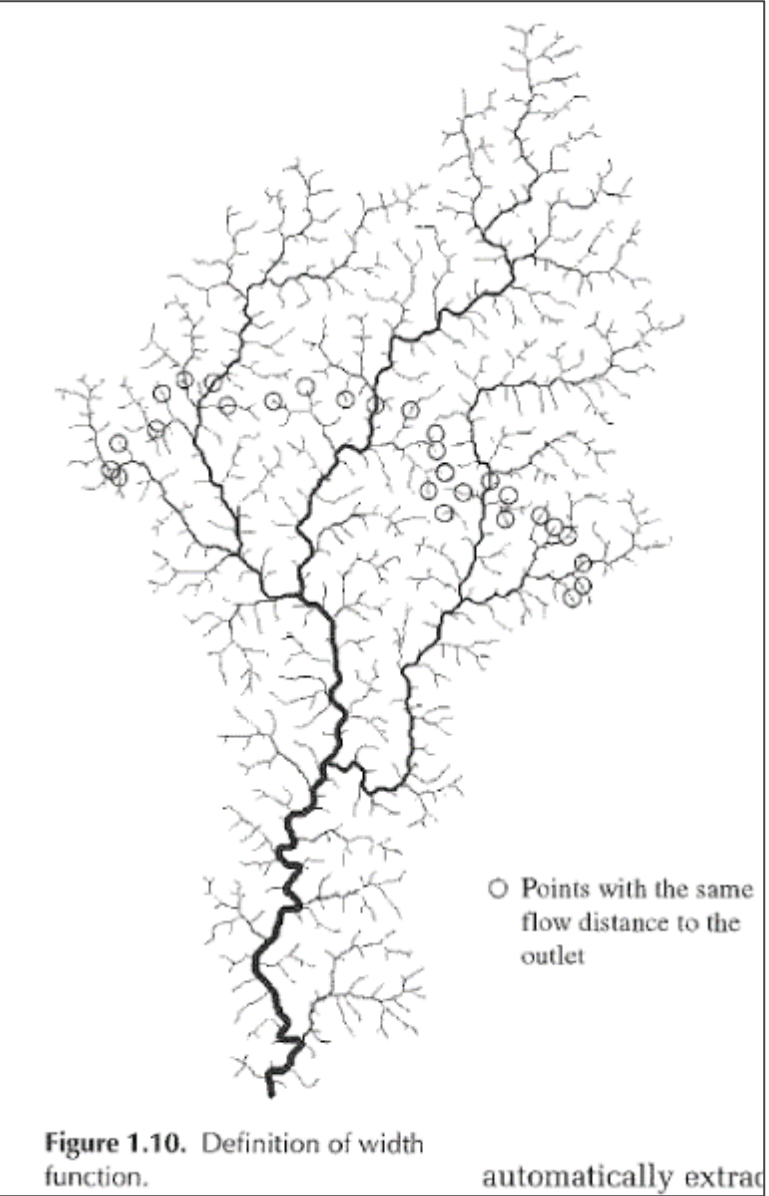
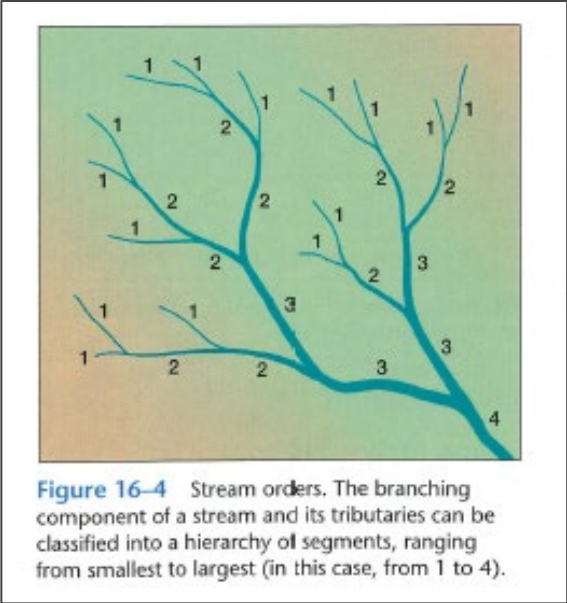
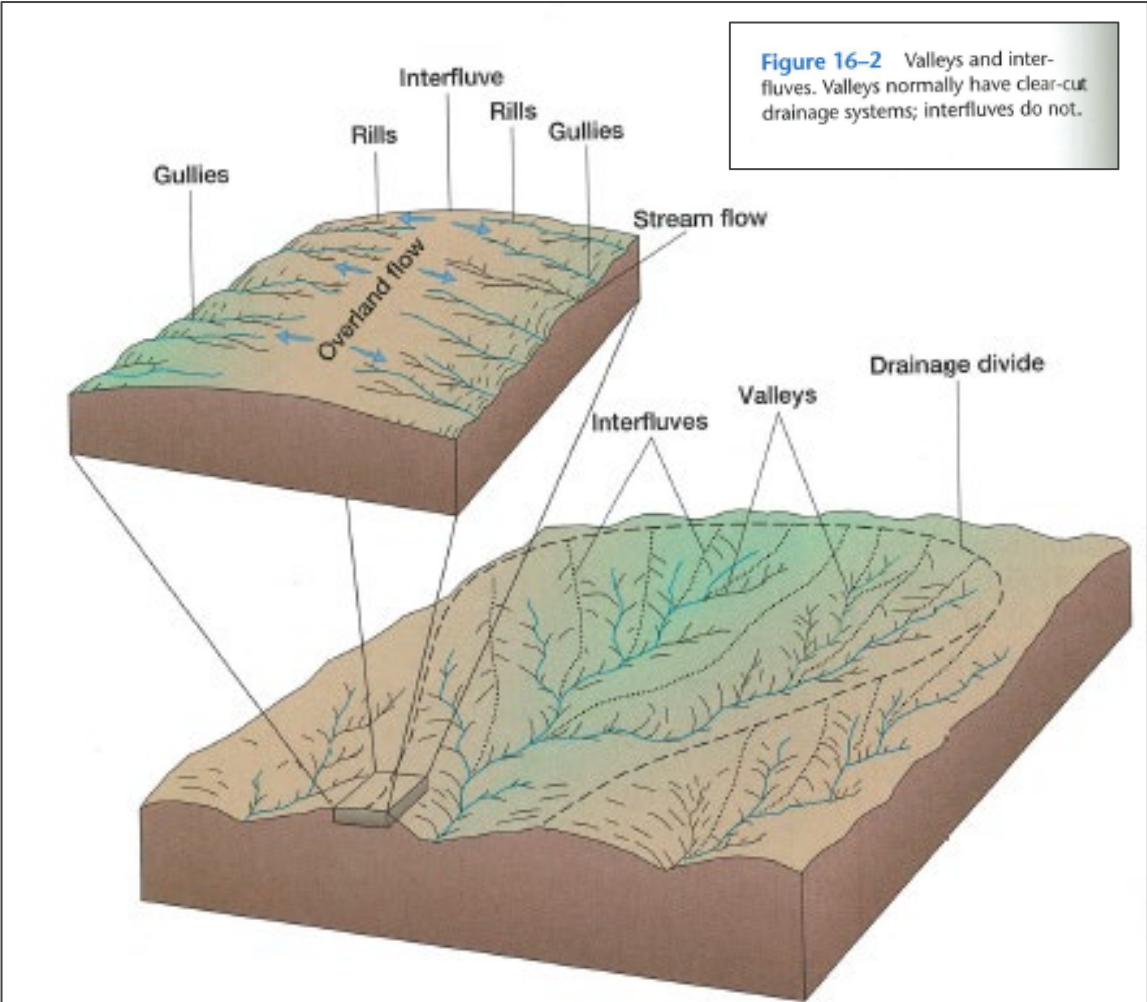


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Table 2.1 Stream-network patterns and metapatterns and their relation to geological controls.			
Type	Description	Geological control	Figure
Dendritic	Treelike, no preferred channel orientation, acute interstream angles	None	2.2a
Parallel	Main channels regularly spaced and subparallel to parallel, very acute interstream angles	Closely spaced faults, monoclines, or isoclinal folds	2.2b
Trellis	Channels oriented in two mutually perpendicular directions, elongated in dominant drainage direction, nearly perpendicular interstream angles	Tilted or folded sedimentary rocks with alternating resistant/weak beds	2.2c
Rectangular	Channels oriented in two mutually perpendicular directions, lengths similar in both directions, nearly perpendicular interstream angles	Rectangular joint or fault system	2.2d
Annular	Main streams in approximately circular pattern, nearly perpendicular interstream angles	Eroded dome of sedimentary rocks with alternating resistant/weak beds	2.2e
Distributary	Single channel splits into two or more channels that do not rejoin	Thick alluvial deposits (alluvial fans, deltas)	2.2f
Radial (metapattern)	Stream networks radiate outward from central point	Volcanic cone or dome of intrusive igneous rock	2.2g
Centripetal (metapattern)	Stream networks flow inward to a central basin	Calderas, craters, tectonic basins	2.2h

After Summerfield (1991) and Twidale (2004).

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Dendritic stream networks



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Dendritic stream networks:

- Time to formation is long
- Hudson Lake is young

Highly permeable and deep sandy soils also play a role

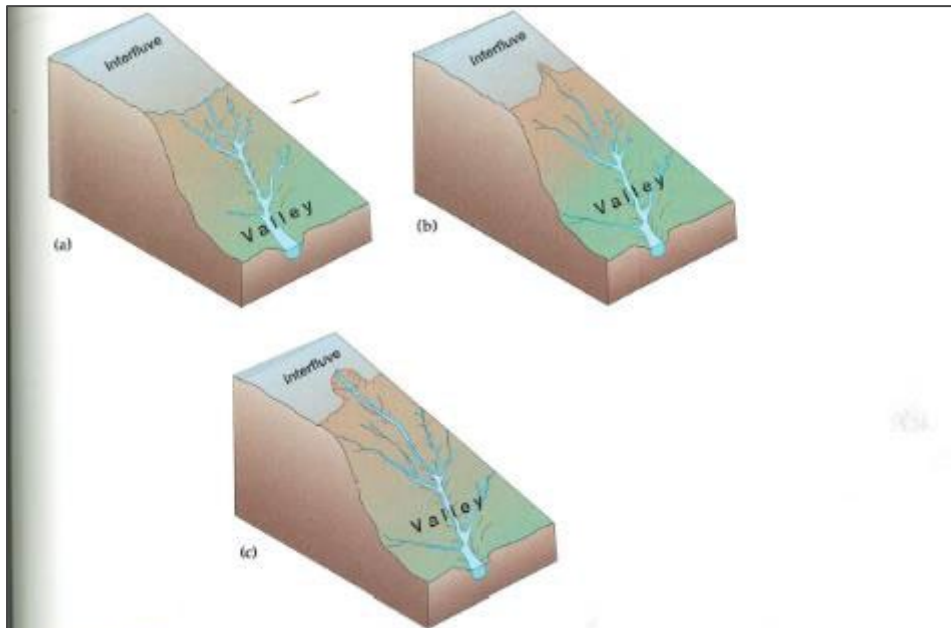
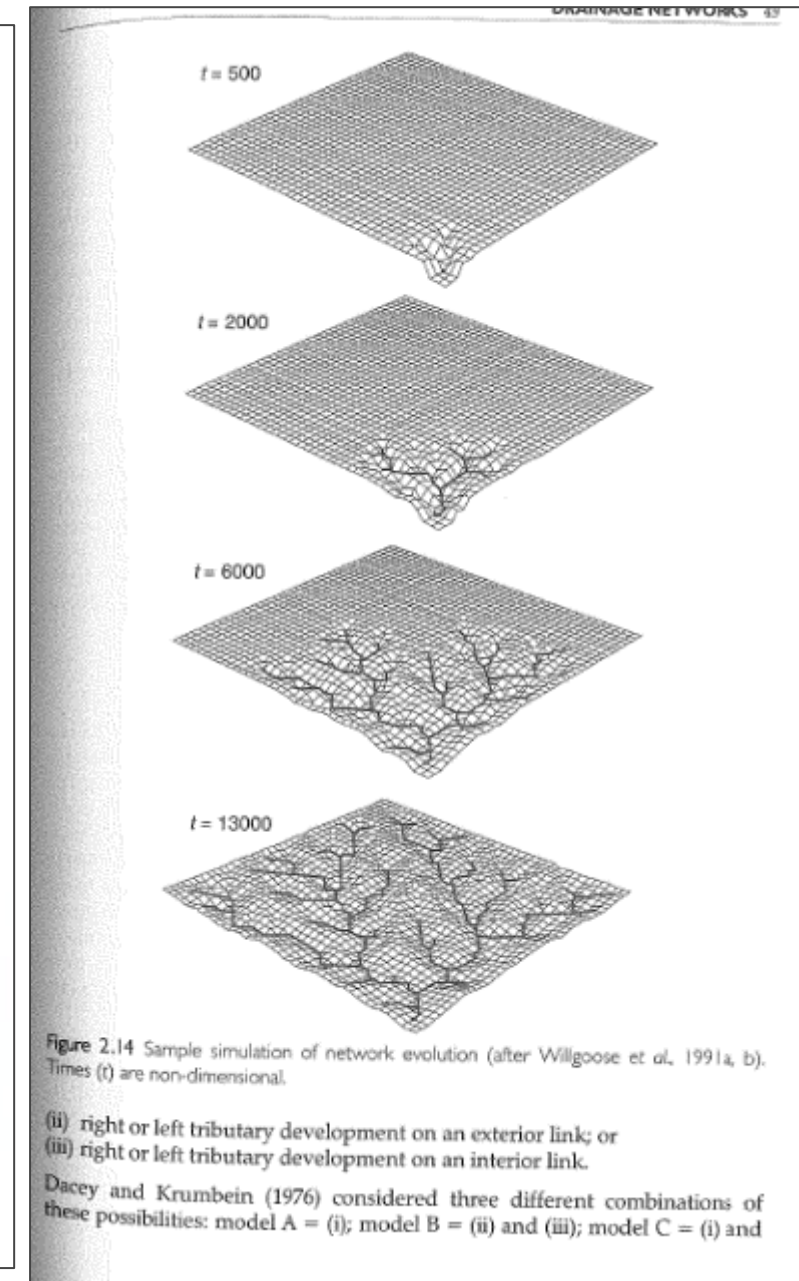


Figure 16-20 Headward erosion occurs at the upper end of a stream where overland flow pours off the lip of the interfluve into the valley. (b) The channelled streamflow wears back the lip of the interfluve. (c) Over time, this erosion extends the valley headward at the expense of the interfluve.



Figure 16-21 This Wisconsin scene illustrates headward erosion. The grassy area being enjoyed by the horses is an interfluve that is being cut into by headward erosion of the irregular gorgelike valley in the foreground. (JLM photo)

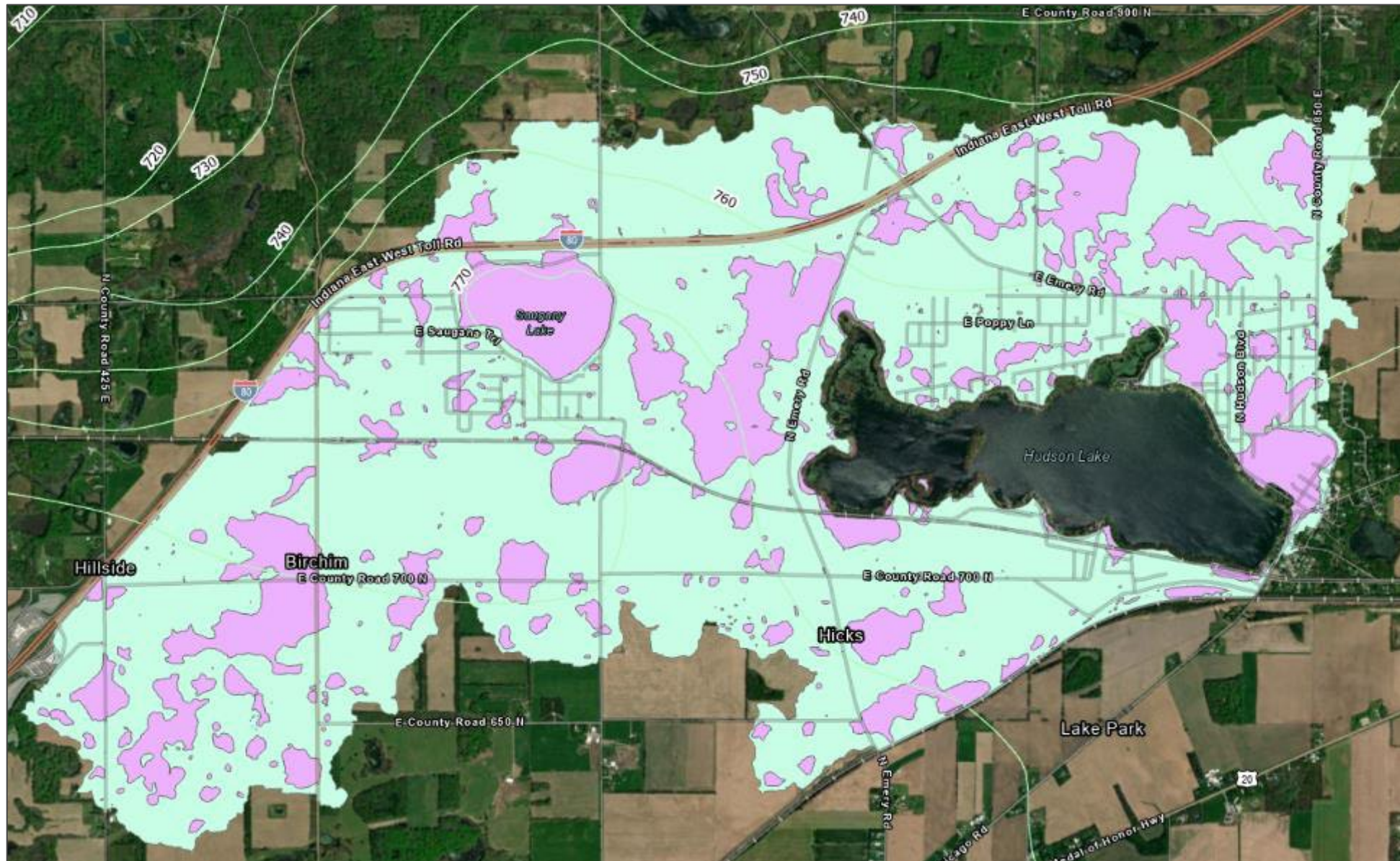


Dendritic vs nondendritic surface drainage networks



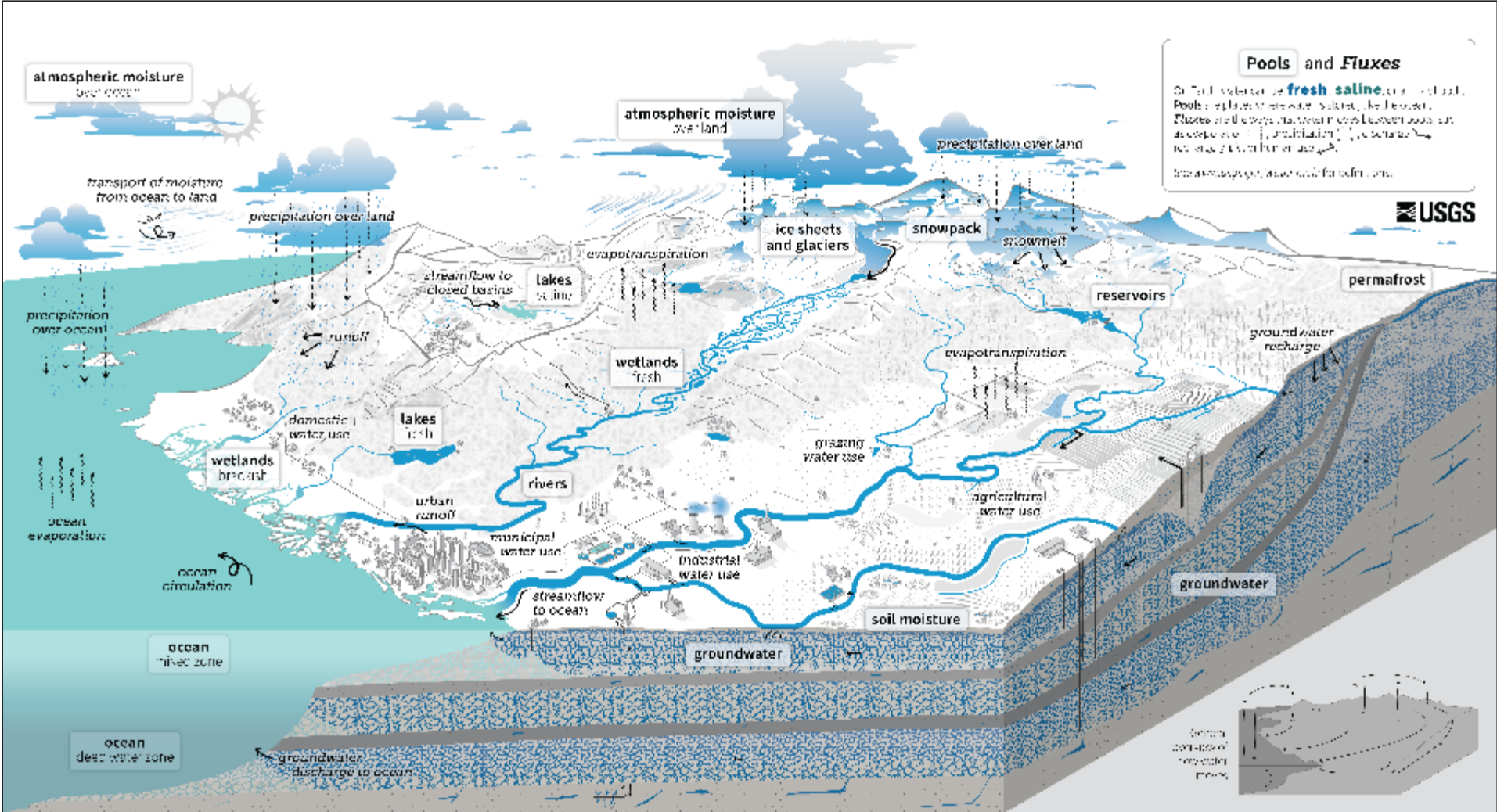
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Nondendritic surface drainage networks - 23.9% of watershed is depressional – Fuzzy drainage area



Hydrology of Hudson Lake

The Hudson Lake watershed and groundwater systems are unique



The Water Cycle

The water cycle describes where water is found on Earth and how it moves. Water can be stored in the atmosphere, on Earth's surface, or below the ground. It can be in a liquid, solid, or gaseous state. Water moves between the spaces it is stored at large scales and at very small scales. Water moves naturally and because of human interaction, both of which affect where water is stored, how it moves, and how much it is.

Liquid water can be fresh (saline/salty) or salt (with fresh). A relatively small amount of water is saline and stored in oceans. Pools, like the ocean, where water is stored, are called **pools**. On land, salt water is stored in **saline lakes**, whereas fresh water is stored in liquid form in **freshwater lakes**, **artificial reservoirs**, **rivers**, **wetlands**, and in soil as **soil moisture**. Ocean underground, liquid water is stored as **groundwater** in aquifers within the cracks and pores of rocks. The solid, frozen form of water is stored in **ice sheets**, **glaciers**, and **snowpack** at high elevations or near the Earth's poles. Fresh water is also found in the soil as **permafrost**. Below permafrost, the ground is frozen and water is stored as **atmospheric moisture** over the ocean and land.

As it moves, water can transform into a liquid, a solid, or a gas. In different ways in which water moves between pools are known as **fluxes**. **Circulation** mixes water in the oceans and transports water vapor in the atmosphere. Water moves between the atmosphere and the Earth's surface through **evaporation**, **evapotranspiration**, and **precipitation**. Water moves across the land surface through **snowmelt**, **runoff**, and **streamflow**. Through infiltration and **groundwater recharge**, water moves into the ground. When underground, groundwater moves within aquifers and can return to the surface through **springs** or **natural groundwater discharge** into rivers and reservoirs.

Human activities affect the water cycle. We collect, filter, and pump water from wells and rivers for development. We use water from rivers, lakes, reservoirs, and groundwater for many things. We use that water to supply our homes and communities (2) for **agricultural** irrigation and **grazing**, **livestock**, and (3) for **industrial** activities like **thermoelectric power generation**, **mining**, and **aquaculture**. The amount of available water depends on how much water is in each pool, water quantity, and (2) **water availability** as it depends on when and how fast water moves (water timing), how much water is used (water use), and how much water is lost (water quality).

Human activities affect **water quality**. In agriculture, and urban areas, irrigation and precipitation wash fertilizers and pesticides into rivers and groundwater. For plants and animals, contaminated water can cause harmful algal blooms, disease, and harm to habitats. **Climate change** is also affecting the water cycle. It affects water quantity, timing, and use. Climate change is also causing ocean acidification, sea level rise, and extreme weather, all of which are affecting the water cycle and the progress toward sustainable water use.

Hydrology of Hudson Lake

Watersheds as transfer functions – Precipitation is transferred to lake levels

CHAPTER 2 • BASIC HYDROLOGIC CONCEPTS

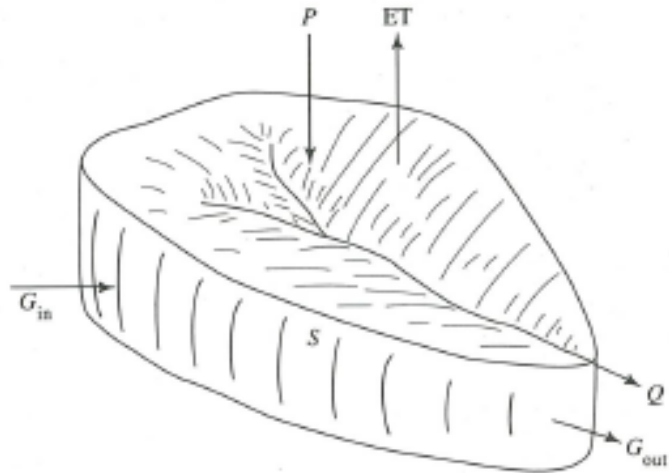


FIGURE 2-6

Schematic diagram of a watershed, showing the components of the regional water balance: P = precipitation, ET = evapotranspiration, Q = stream outflow, G_{in} = ground-water inflow, G_{out} = ground-water outflow.

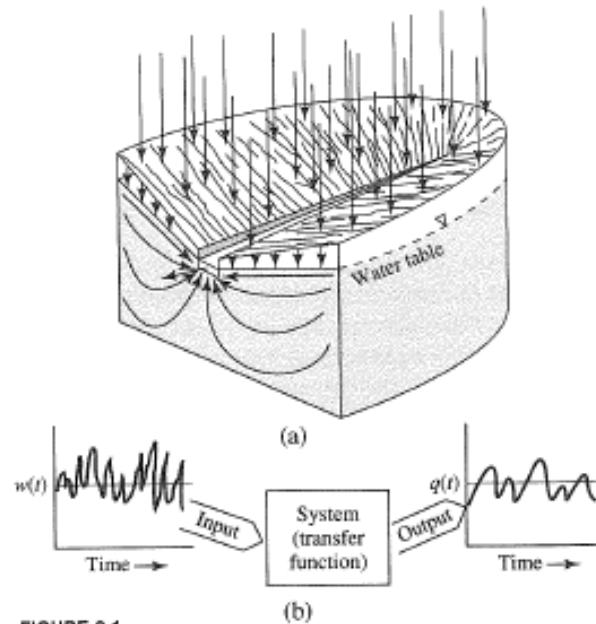


FIGURE 9-1

(a) Schematic flow paths in a small upland watershed receiving water inputs: the transparent box view of a watershed. (b) The black box (systems) view of a watershed as an algorithm generating outputs from specified inputs.

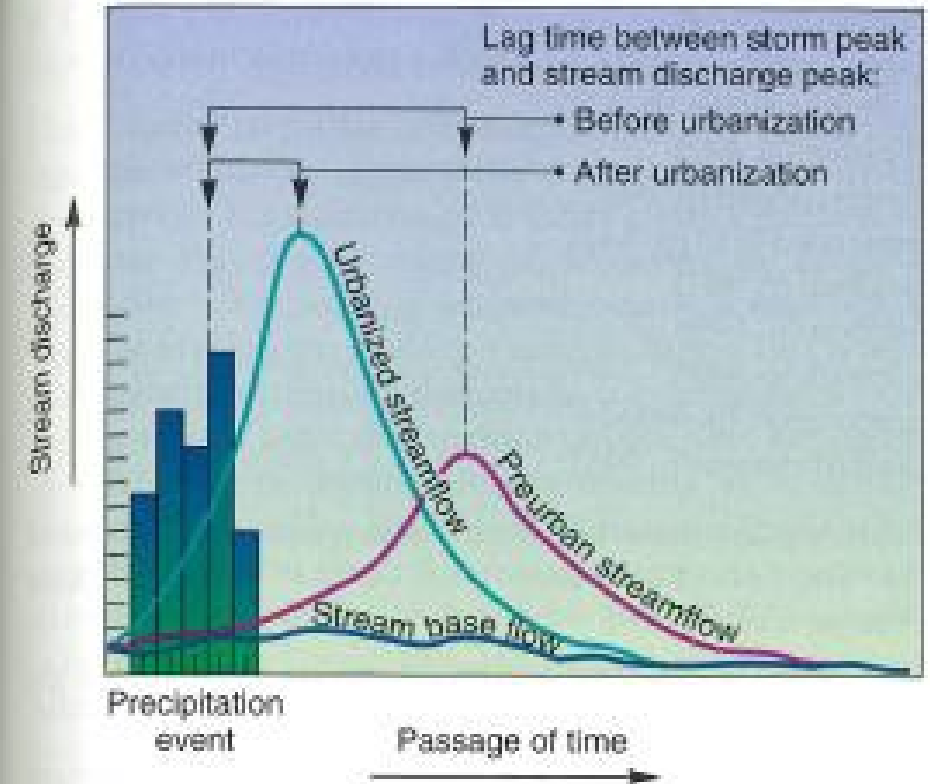
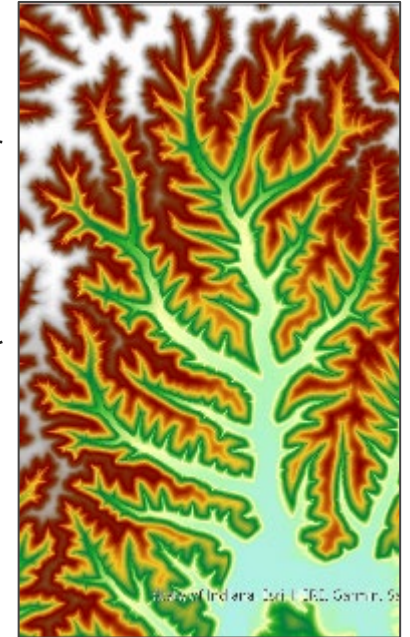
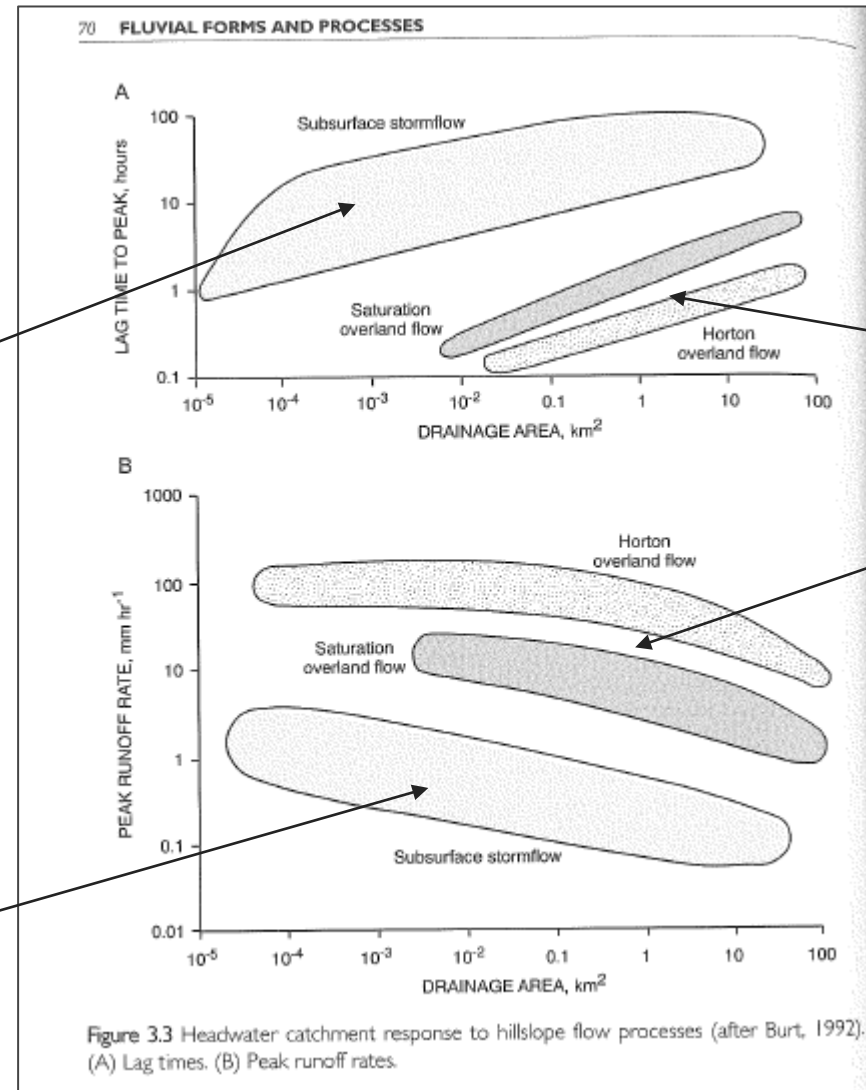
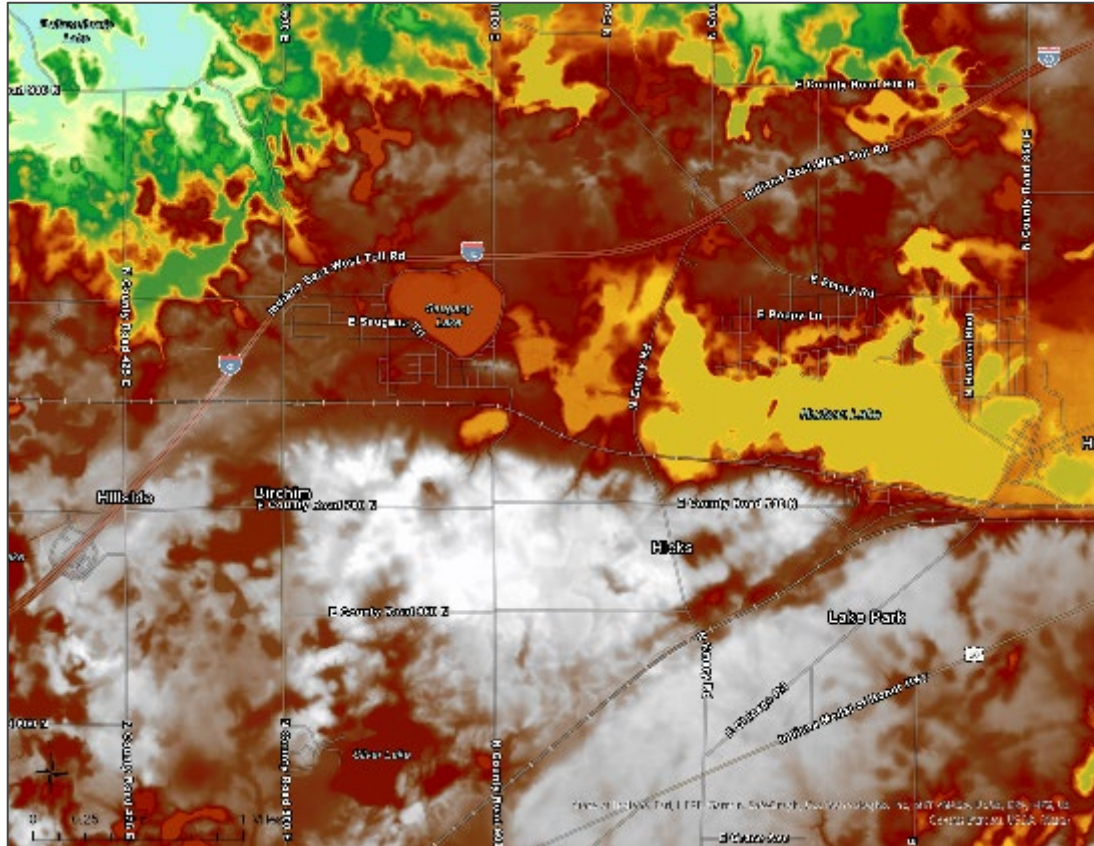


FIGURE 14.31 Urban flooding.

(a) Effect of urbanization on a typical stream hydrograph. Normal base flow is indicated with a dark blue line. The purple line indicates discharge after a storm, before urbanization. Following urbanization, stream discharge dramatically increases, as shown by the light blue line. (b) Severe flooding of an urban area in Linda, California, after a levee break on the Sacramento River in 1986; and it flooded again in 1997. [(b) Photo from California Department of Water Resources.]

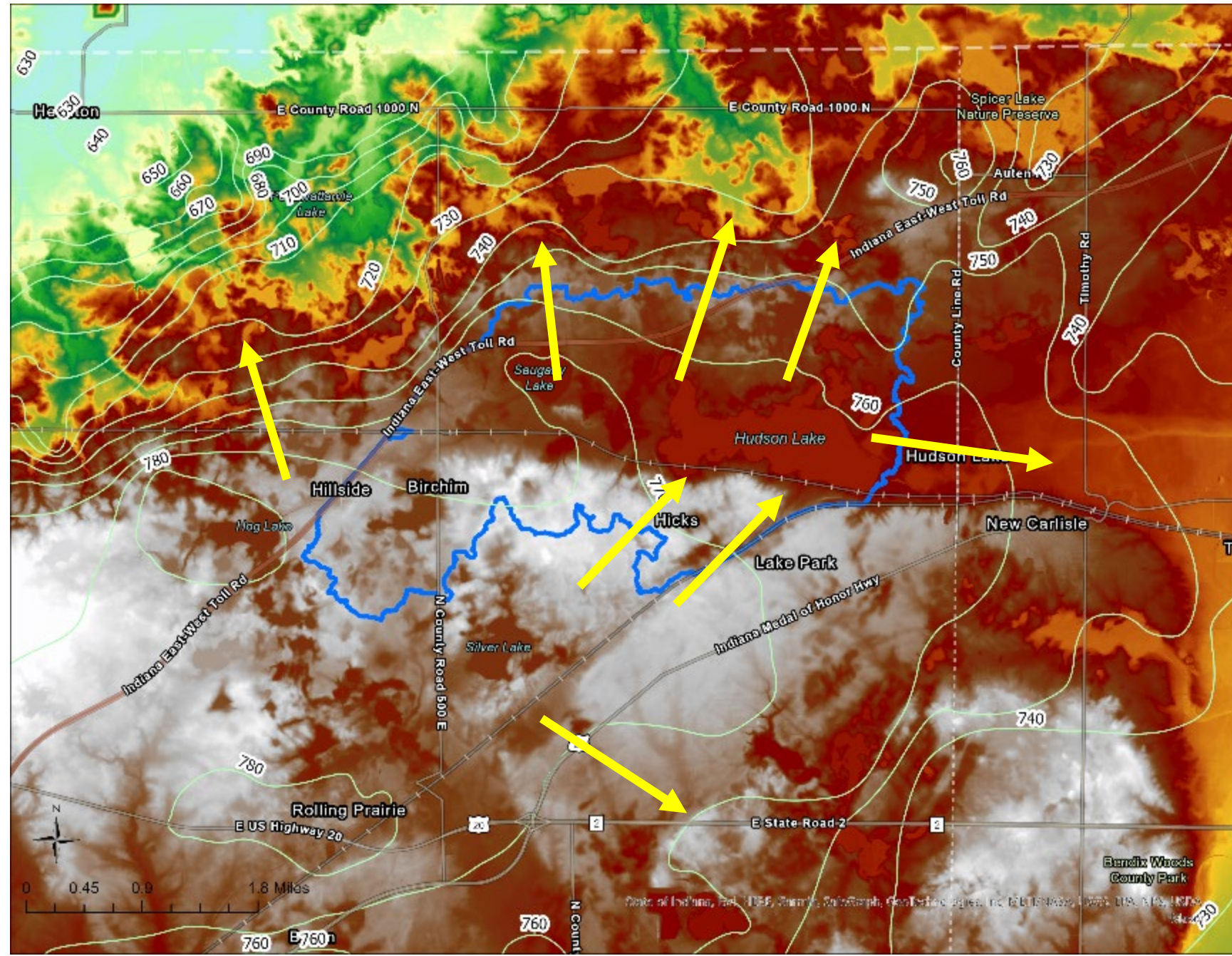
Hydrology of Hudson Lake

Landscape age and dominant soil type drive how precipitation moves over and through the landscape



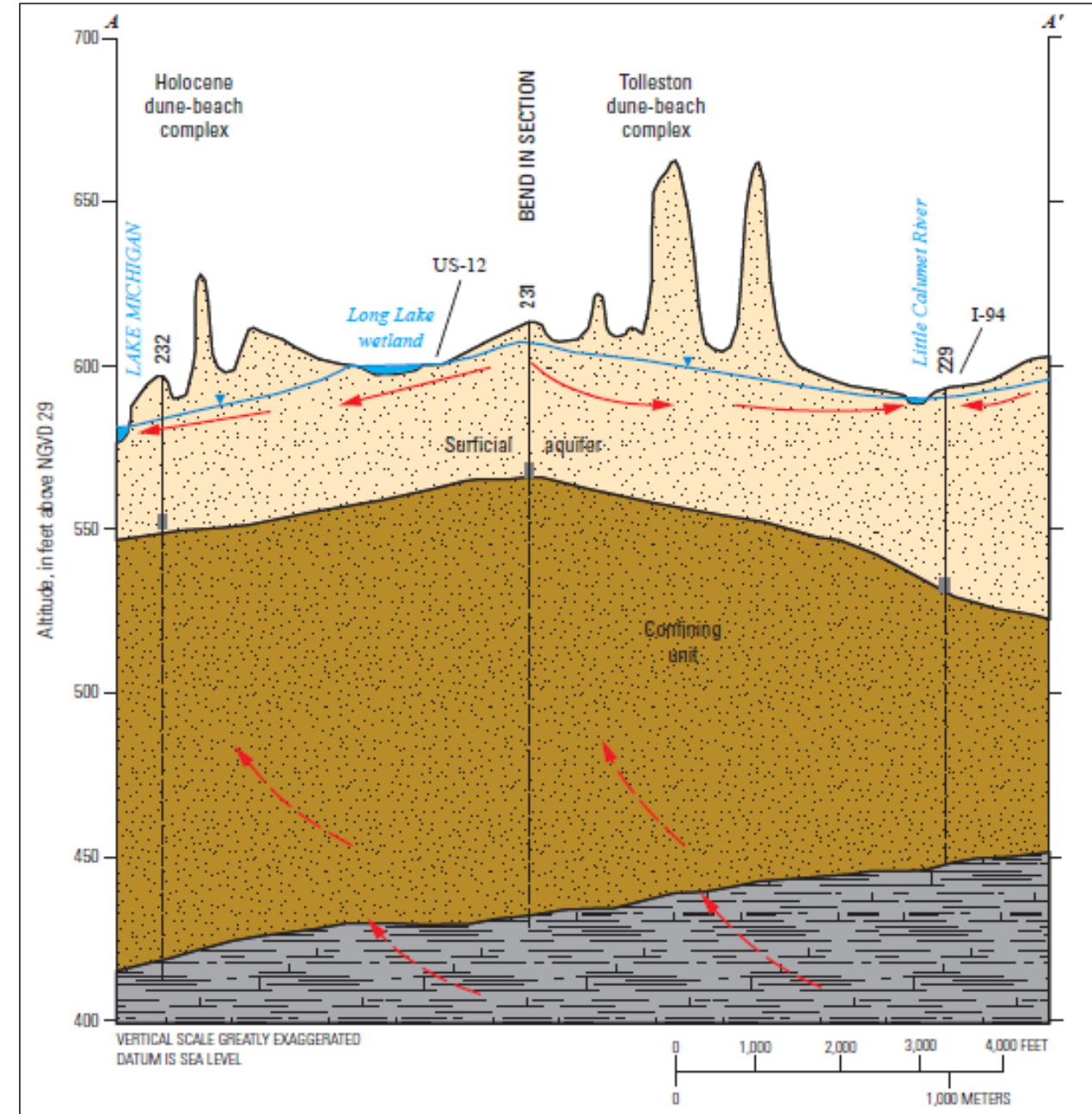
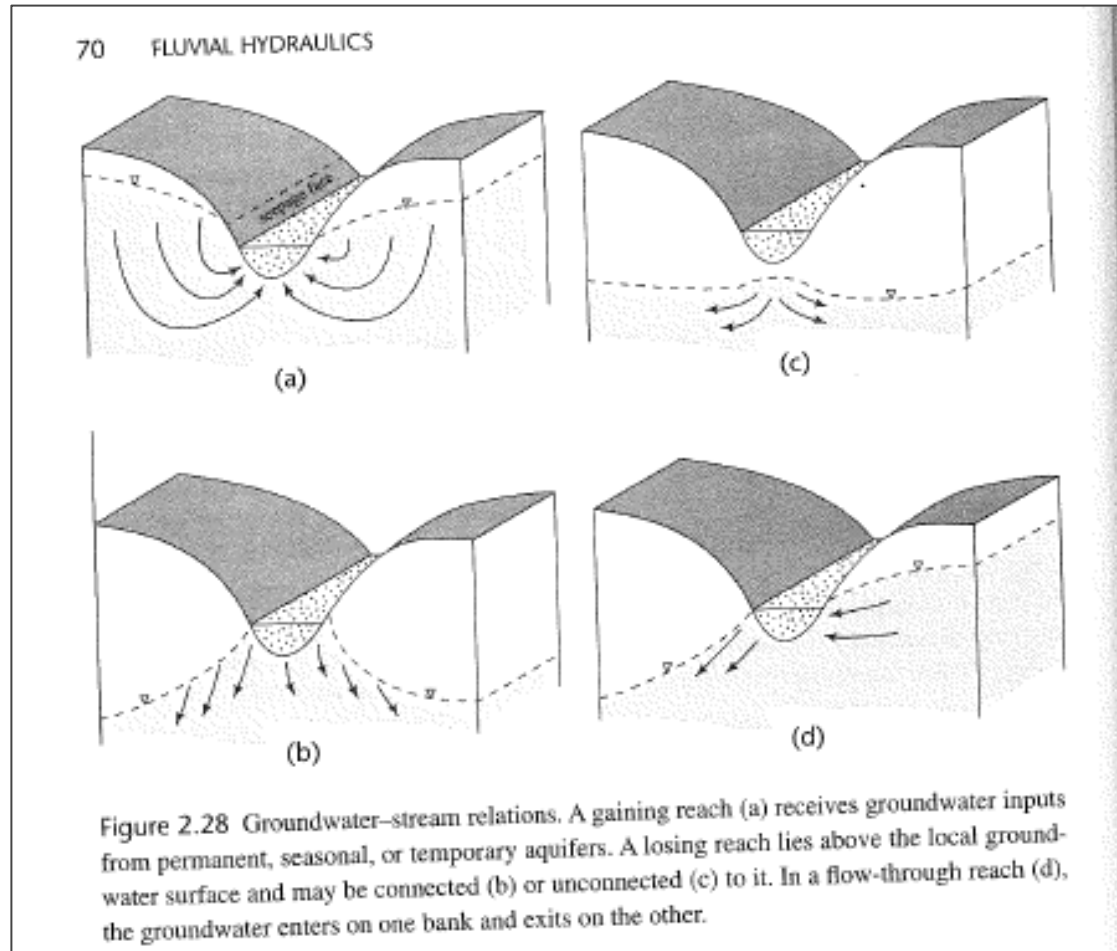
Hydrology of Hudson Lake

- Hinge and/or flow-through lake
- Movement of water towards the lake from the west and south, away from the lake on the north and east
- Groundwater gradient does not always match surface gradient
- These flow paths can change as groundwater levels fluctuate
- Residence time is 2.5 years (V3 report)



Hydrology of Hudson Lake

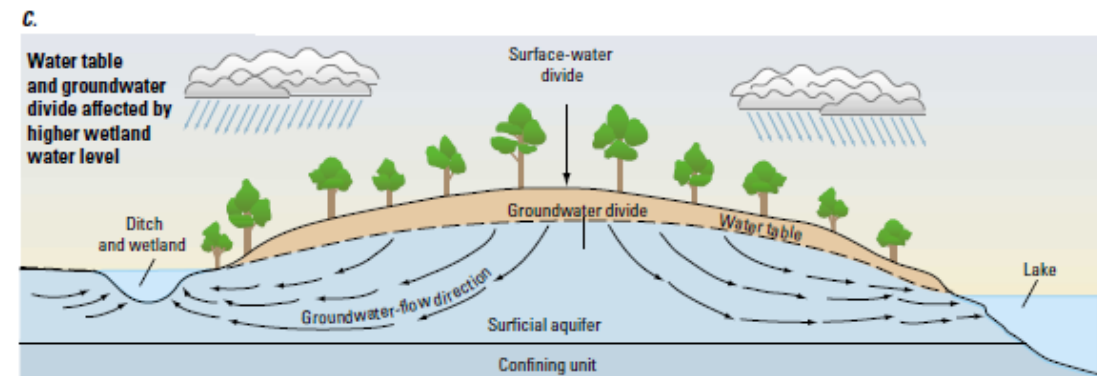
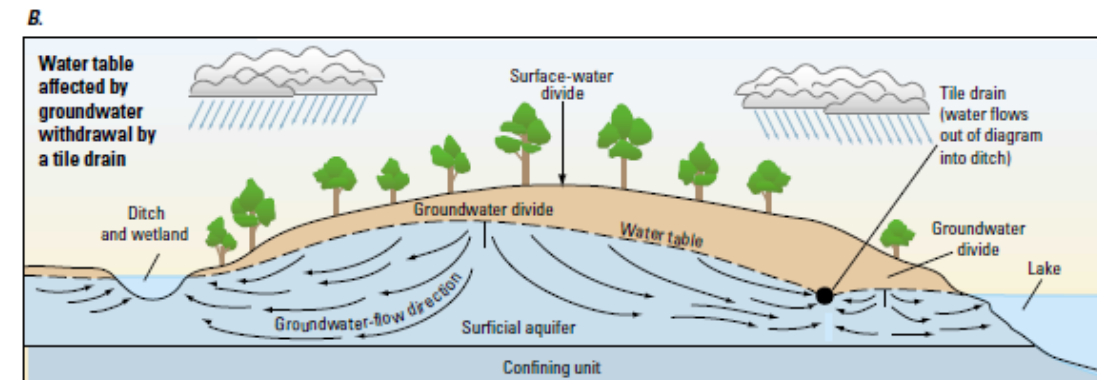
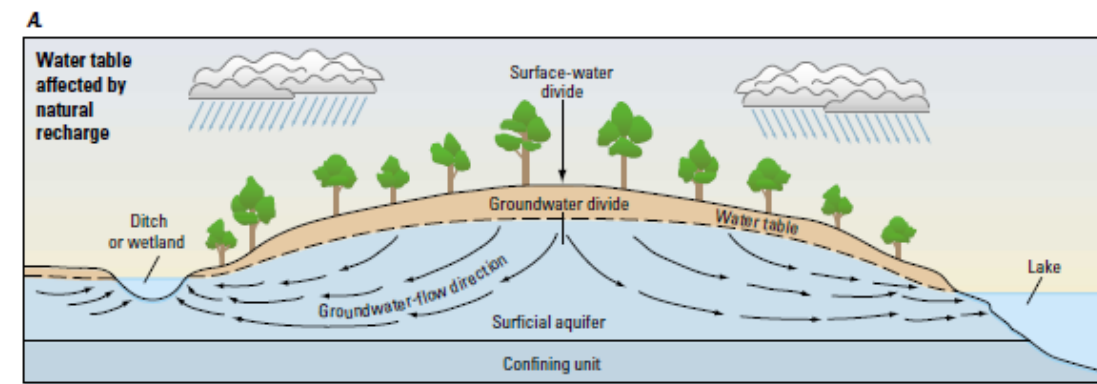
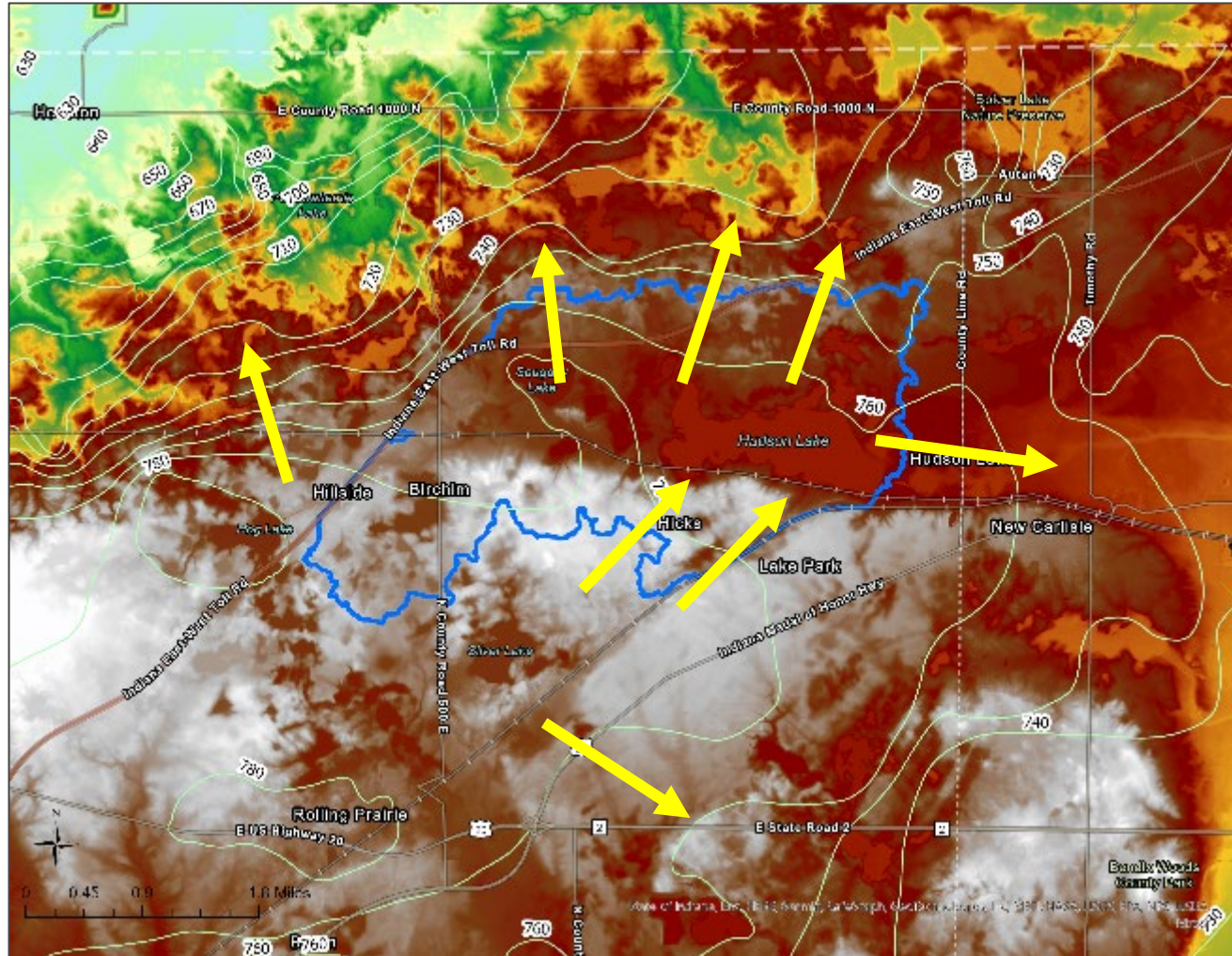
- Hinge and/or flow-through lake
- From the SW to the N and E
- Analog at Long Lake



Lampe, D.C., and Bayless, E.R., 2013, Hydrologic data and groundwater flow simulations in the vicinity of Long Lake, Indiana Dunes National Lakeshore, near Gary, Indiana: U.S. Geological Survey Scientific Investigations Report 2012–5003, 96 p.

Hydrology of Hudson Lake

Groundwater and surface water divides



Diagrams reproduced and modified from Grannemann and others (2000, fig. 5, p. 5).

Figure 5. Generalized groundwater flow. *A*, Under natural conditions. *B*, Affected by tile drain flow. *C*, Affected by surface-water-level change in adjacent discharge ditch. (Note that surface-water and groundwater divides coincide in *A* but not in *B* or *C*.)

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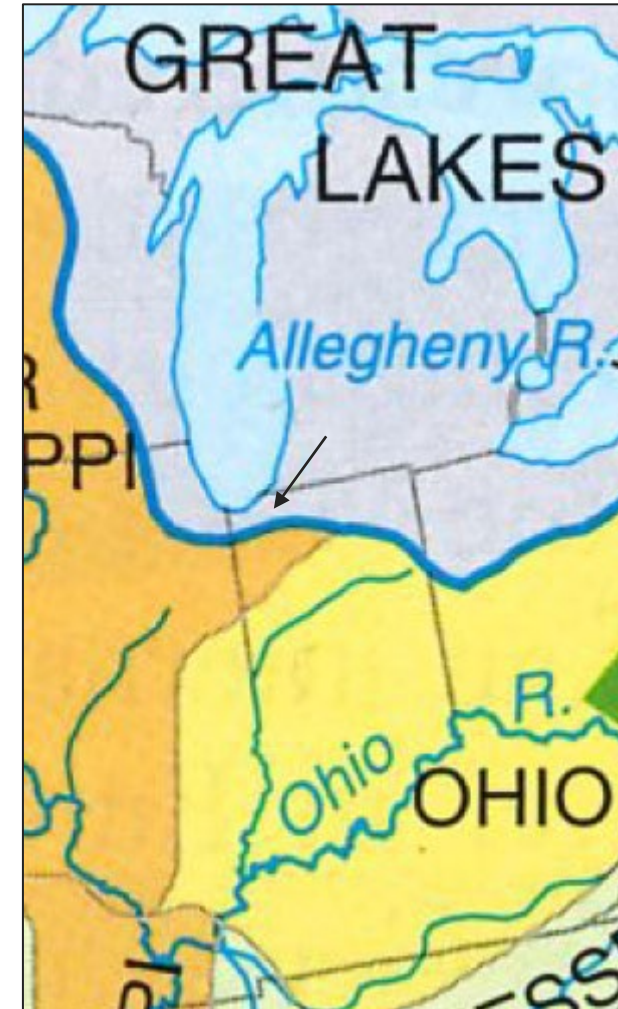
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FIGURE 14.5 Drainage basins and continental divides.

Continental divides (blue lines) separate the major drainage basins that empty into the Pacific, Atlantic, Gulf of Mexico, and to the north through Canada into Hudson Bay and the Arctic Ocean. Subdividing these large-scale basins are major river basins. [After U.S. Geological Survey; *The National Atlas of Canada*, 1985; Energy, Mines, and Resources Canada; and Environment Canada, *Currents of Change—Inquiry on Federal Water Policy—Final Report* 1986.]

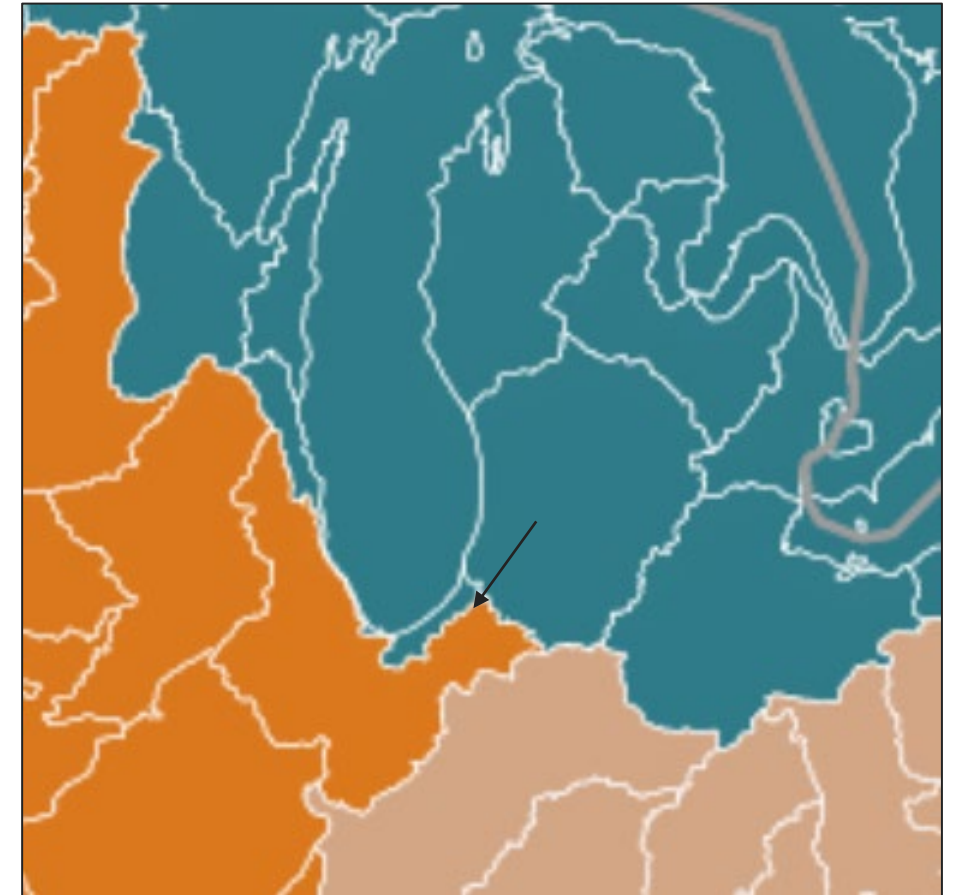
Hudson Lake – On the continental divide



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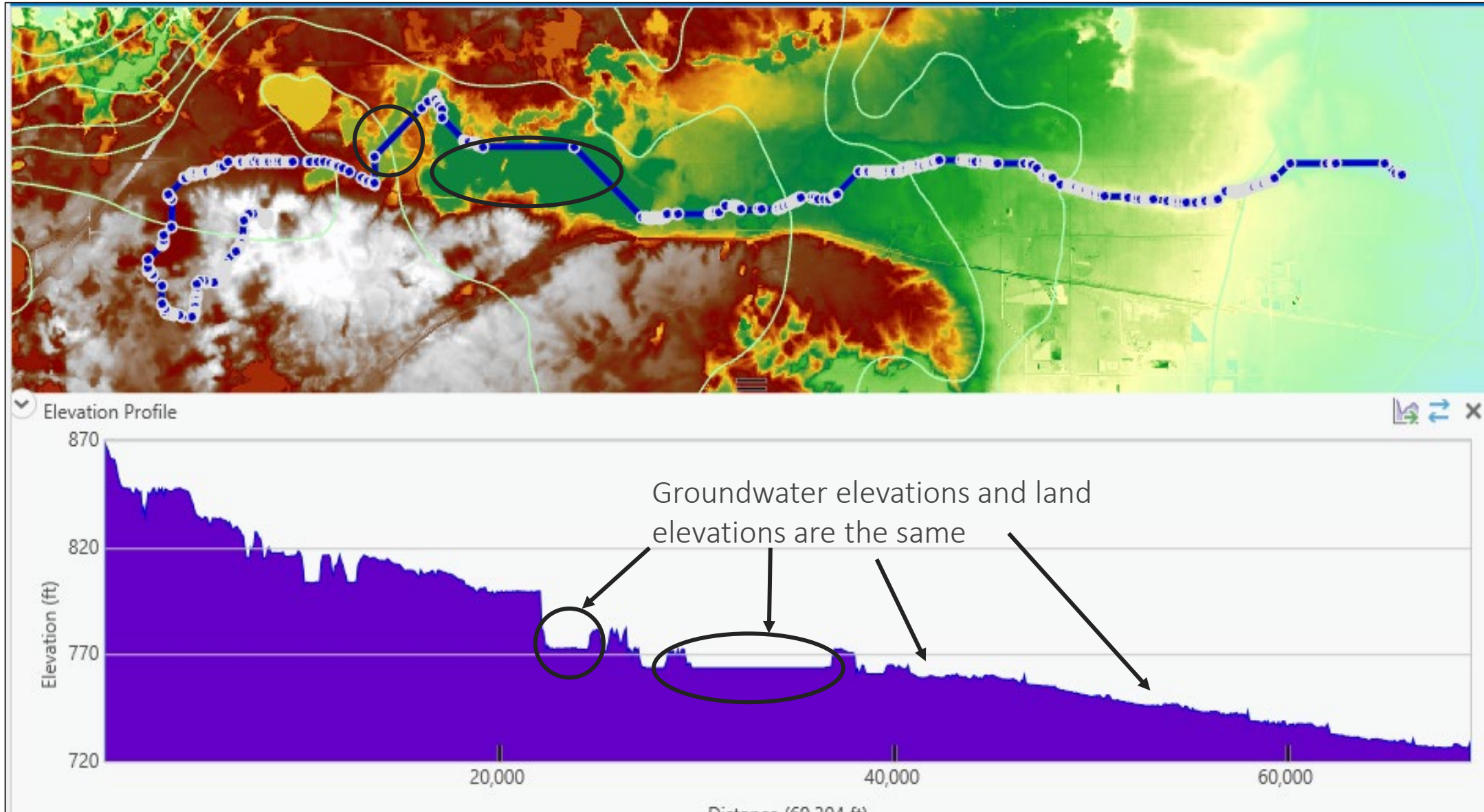
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***View in GIS viewer**



<https://www.usgs.gov/media/images/watershed-map-north-america>

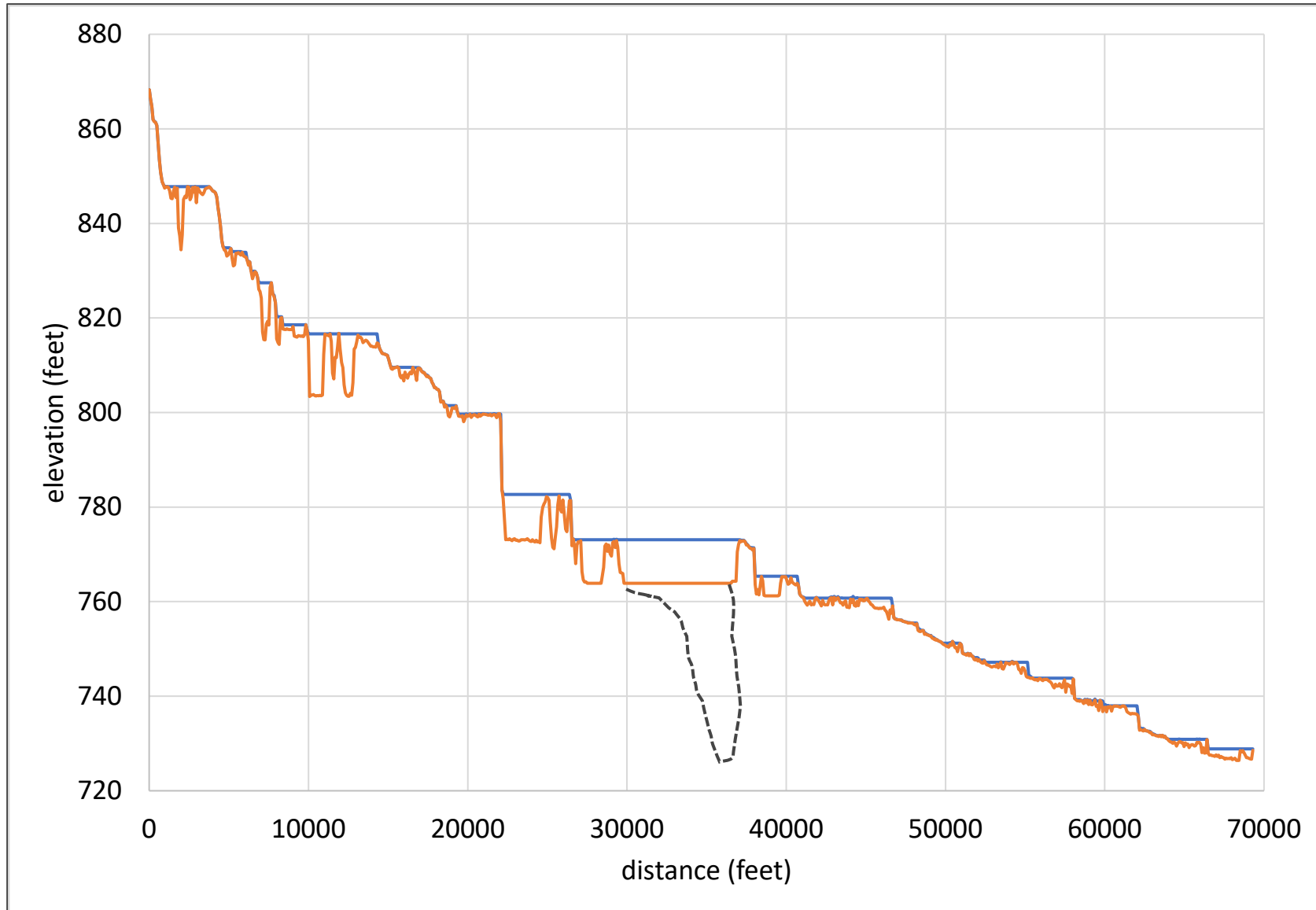
Hydrogeology of Hudson Lake



Potentiometric (groundwater levels) approximate the Legal Lake Level – well logs confirm this

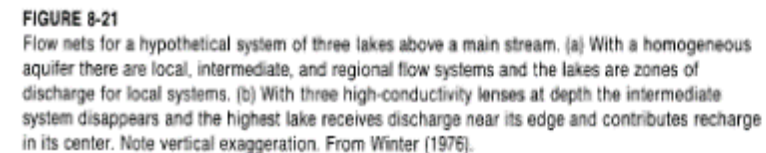
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Hudson lake is 35-40 feet deep on the west end



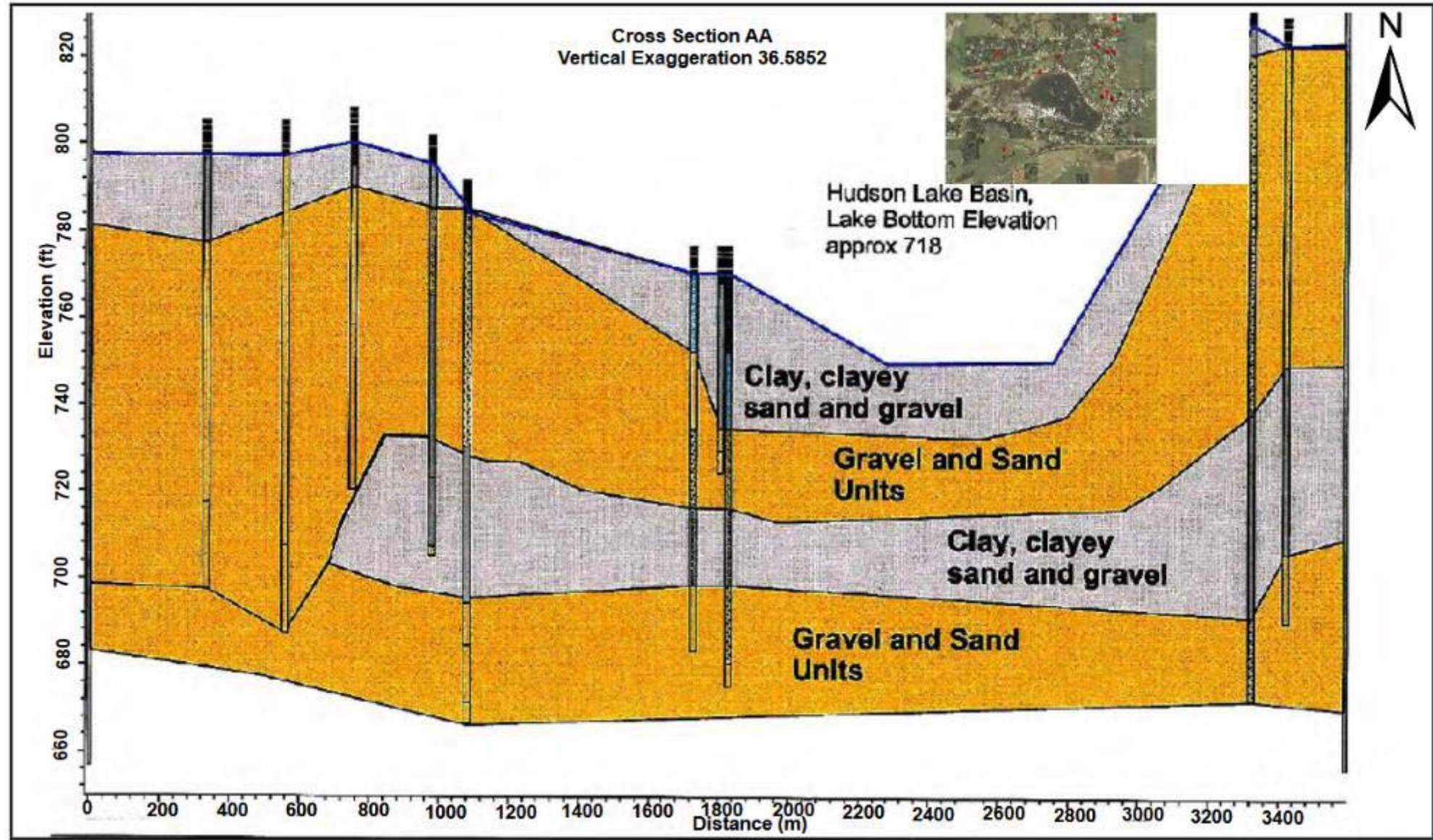
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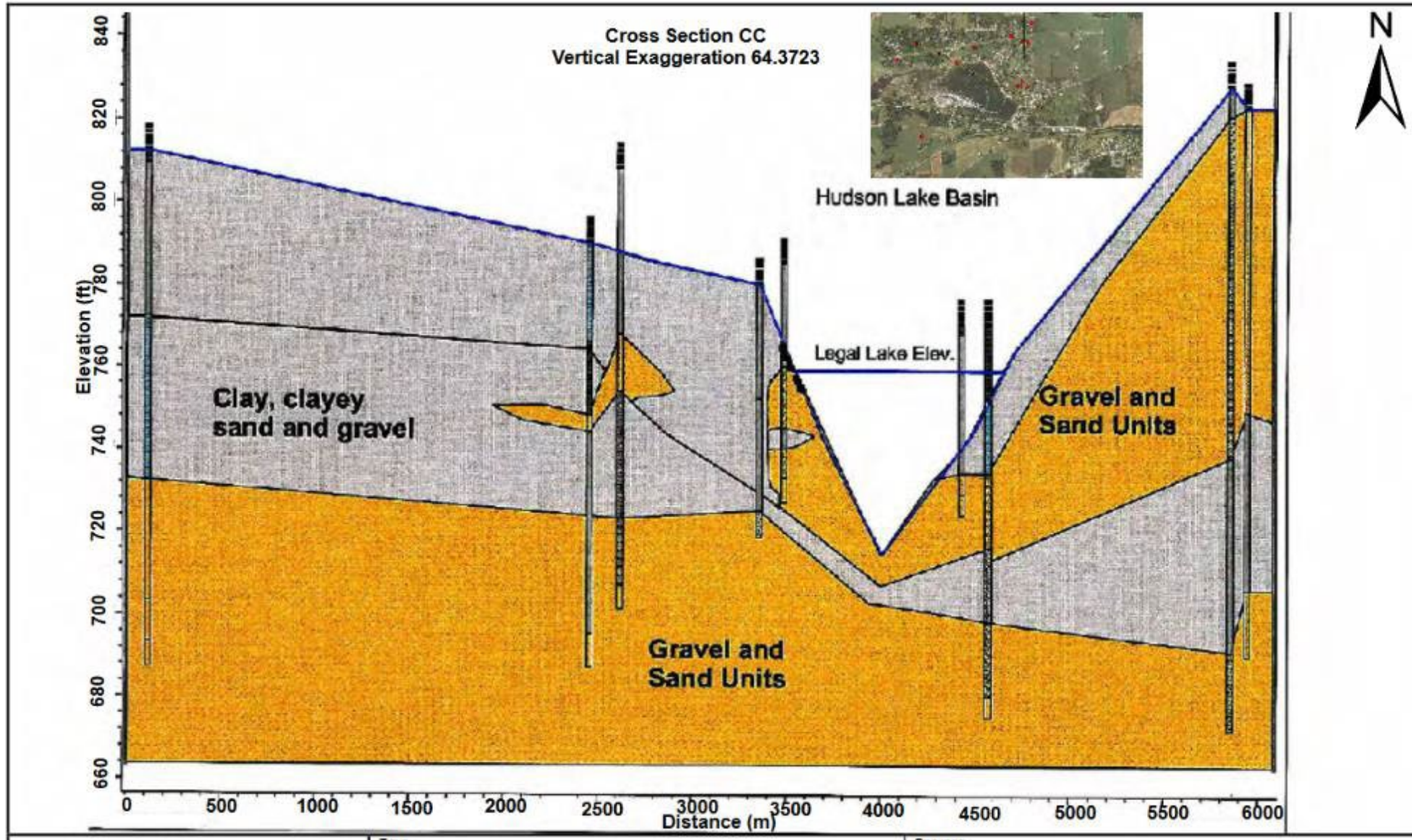
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Shallow and discontinuous clay confining layer, sandy soils (V3 report)



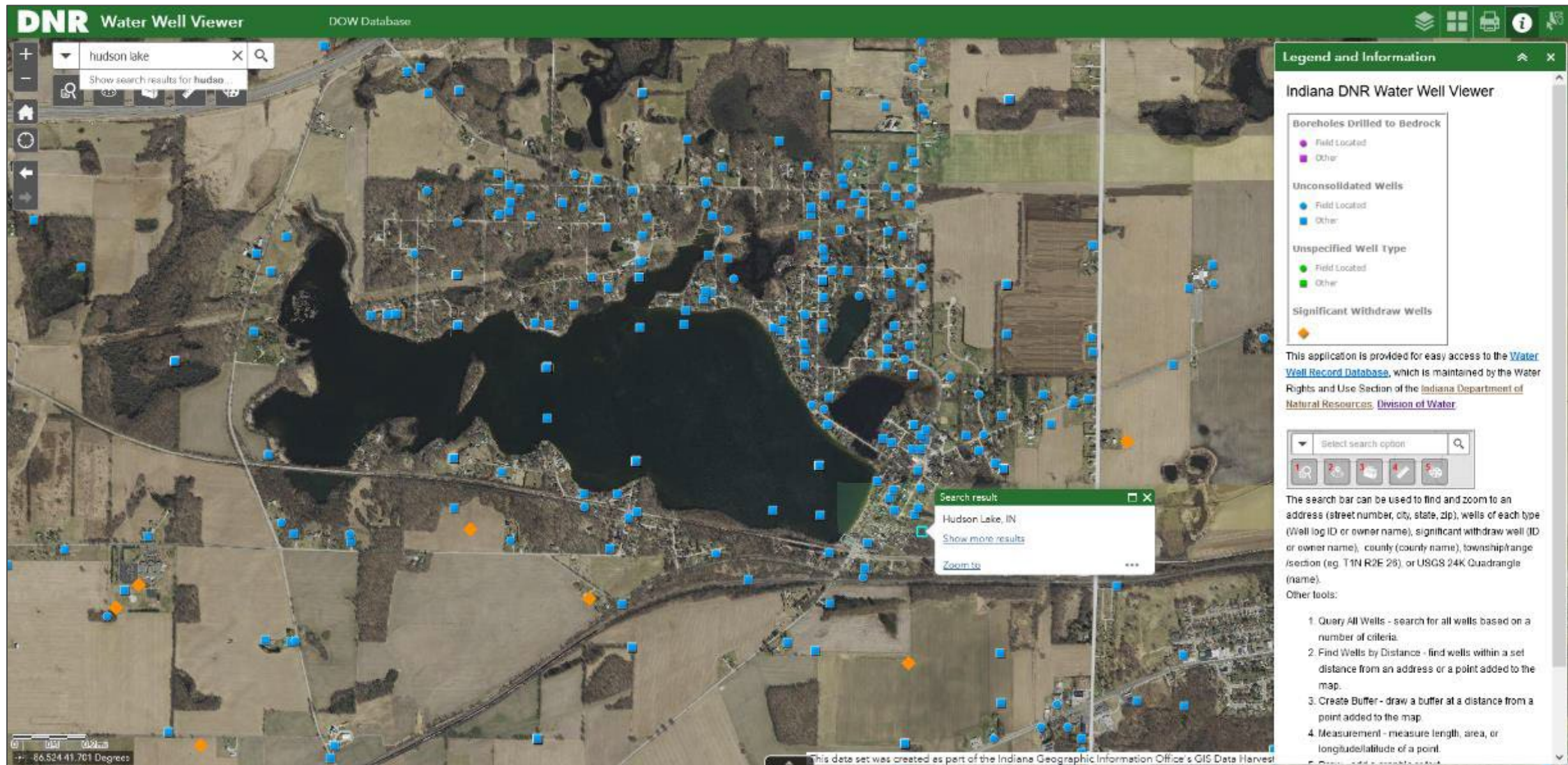
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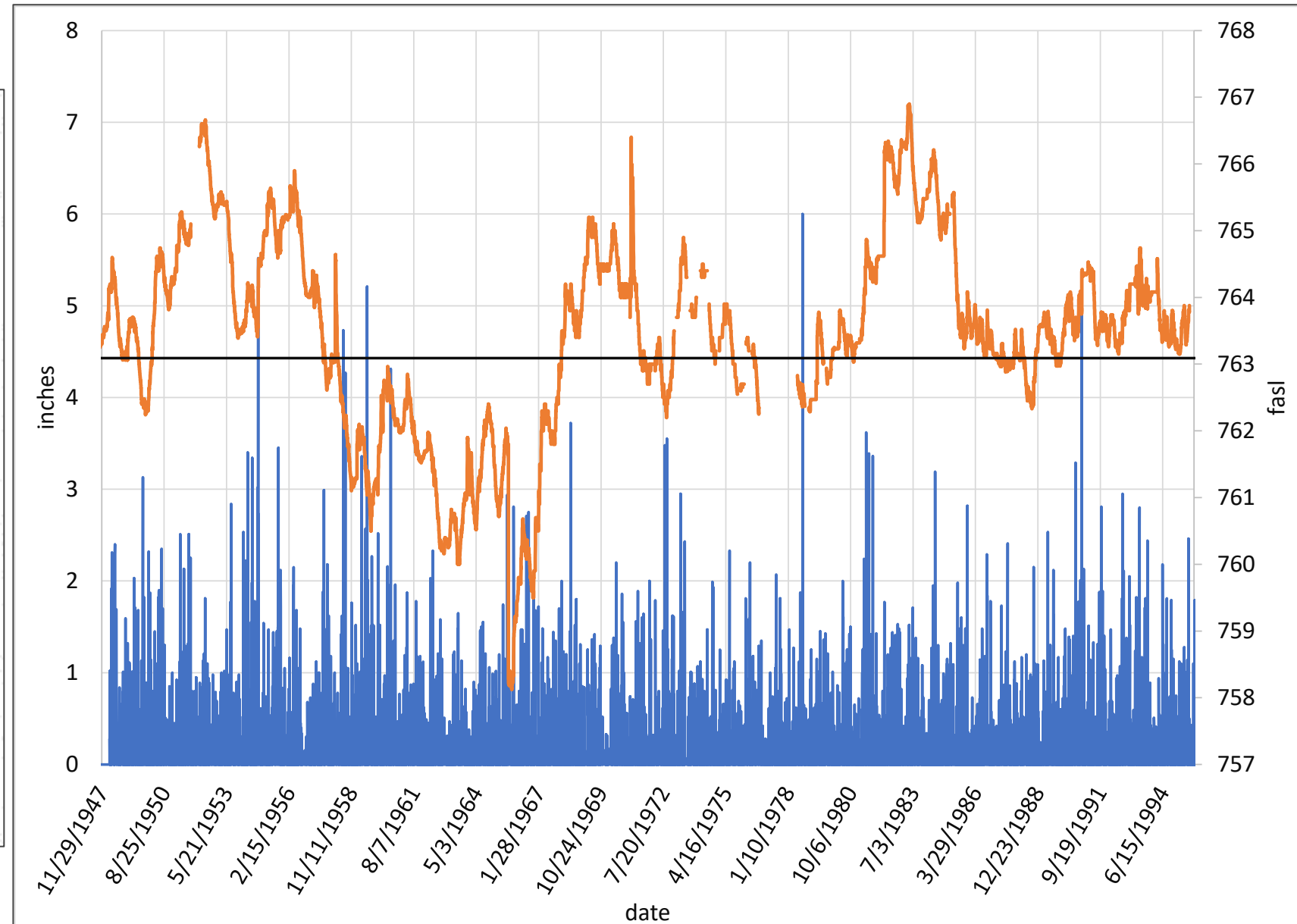
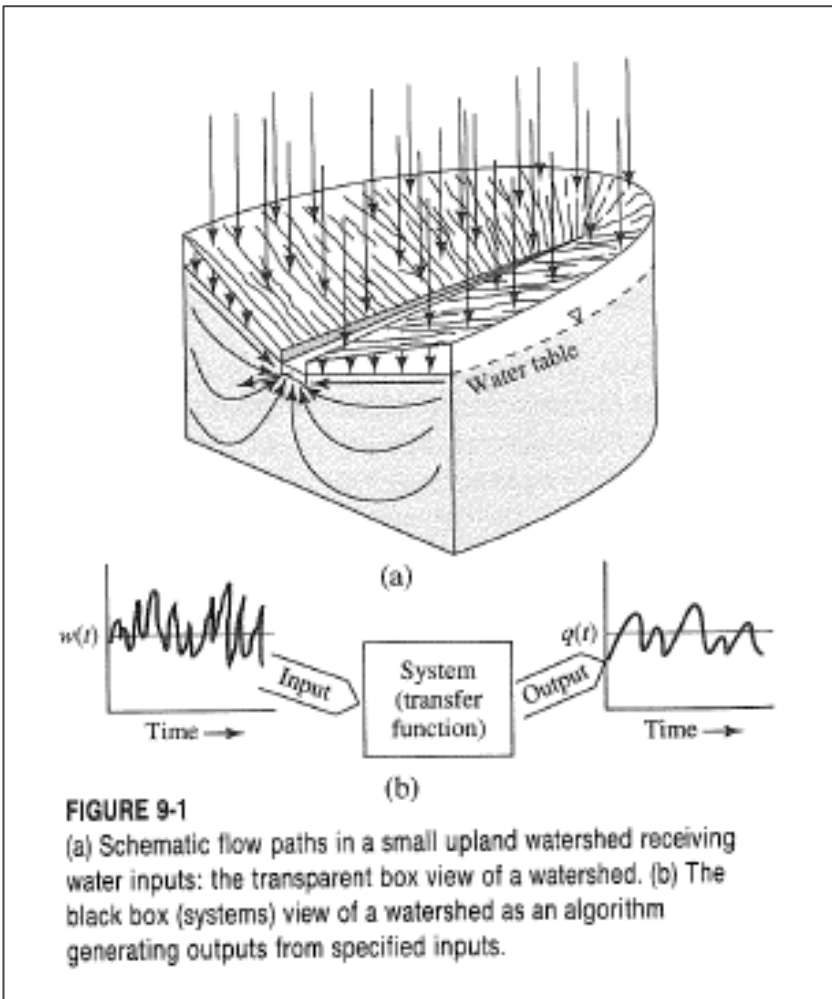
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Indiana water well viewer - <https://www.in.gov/dnr/water/ground-water-wells/water-well-record-database/>



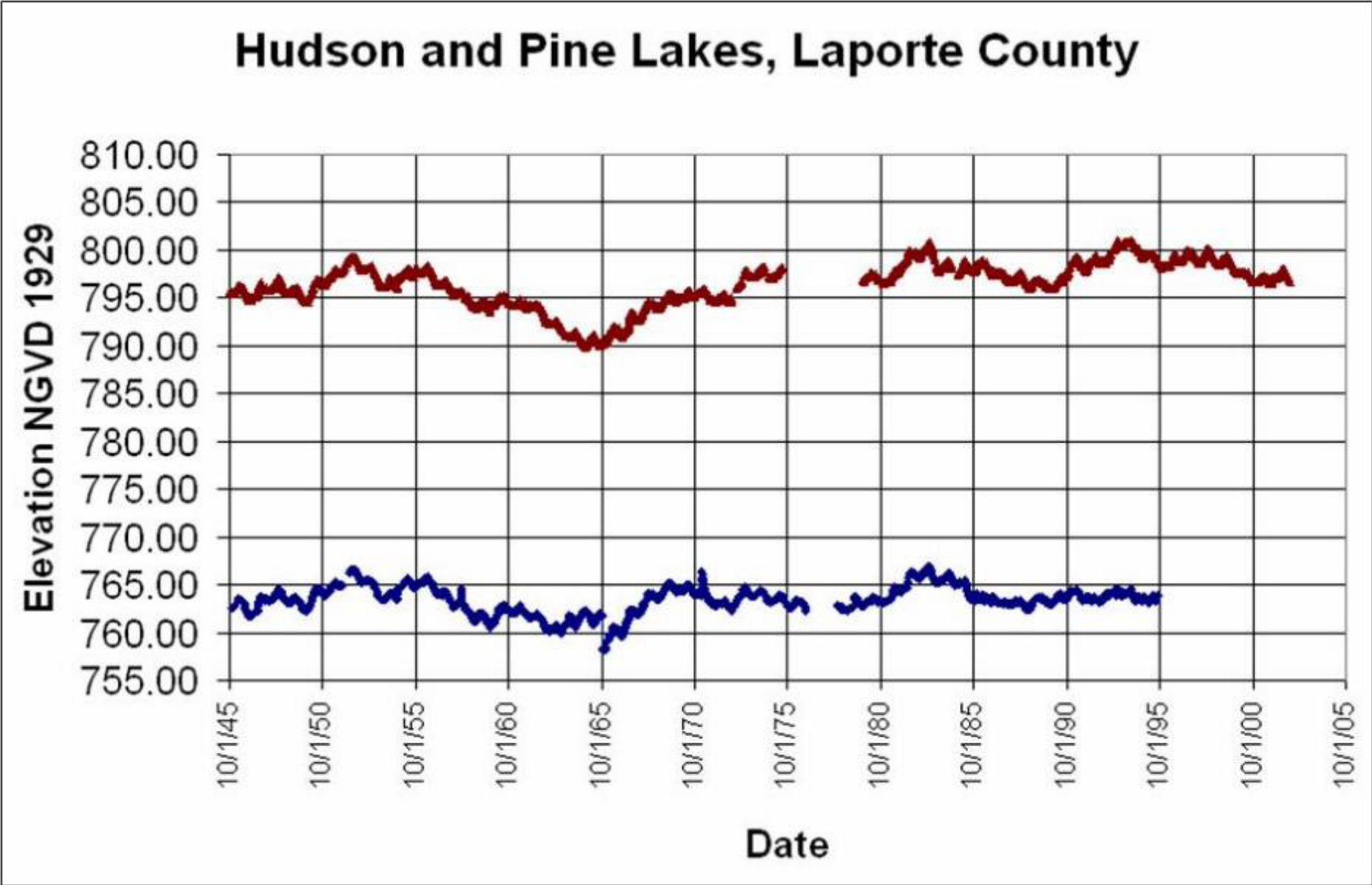
Historical information for Hudson Lake

Transfer of precipitation to lake levels is complex



Historical information for Hudson Lake

Hudson Lake high and low cycles are complex – seasonal, multi-year, and decadal

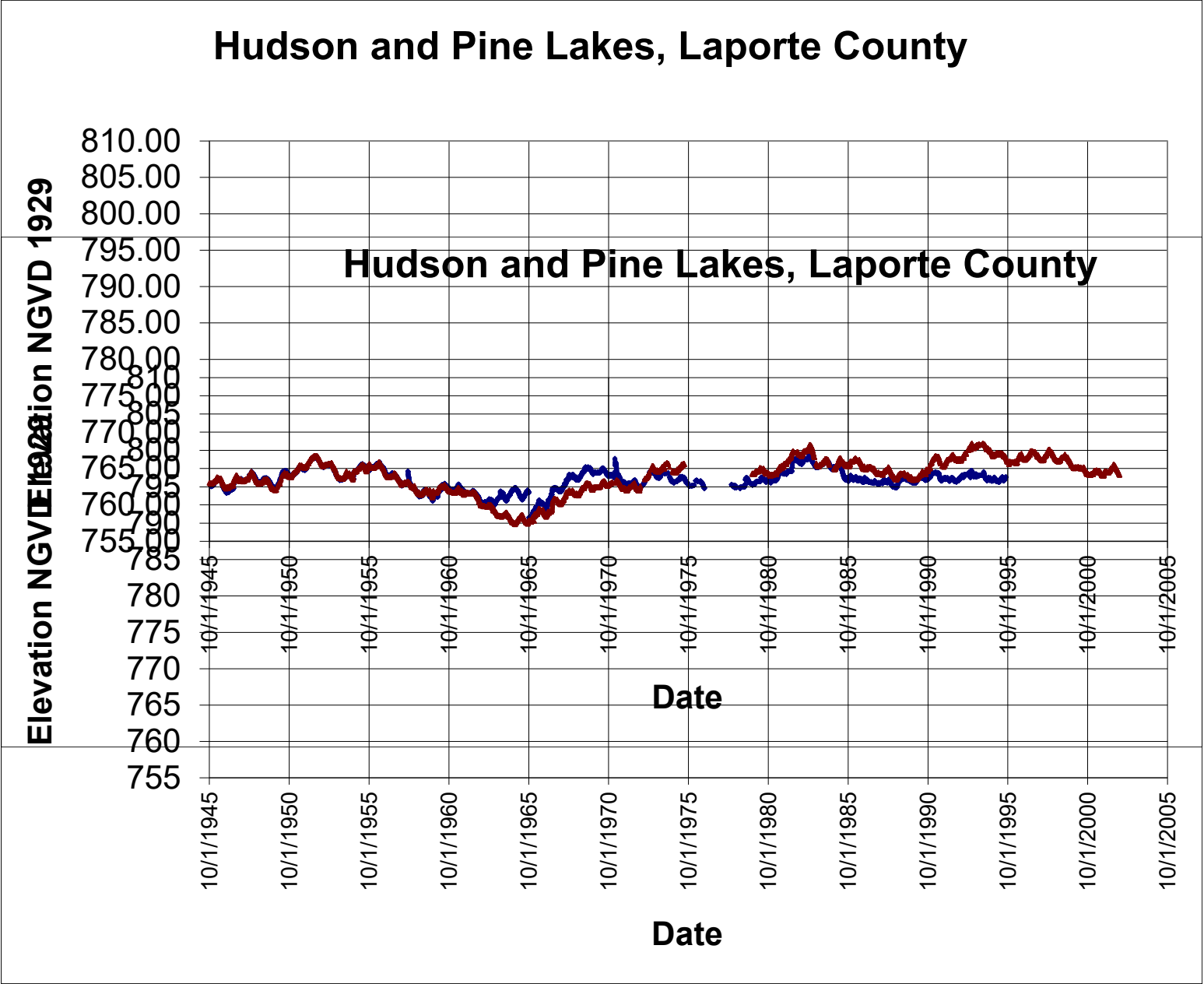


Pike – red
Hudson - blue

Historical information for Hudson Lake

Hudson Lake and Pike Lake water levels approximately track each other until 1985

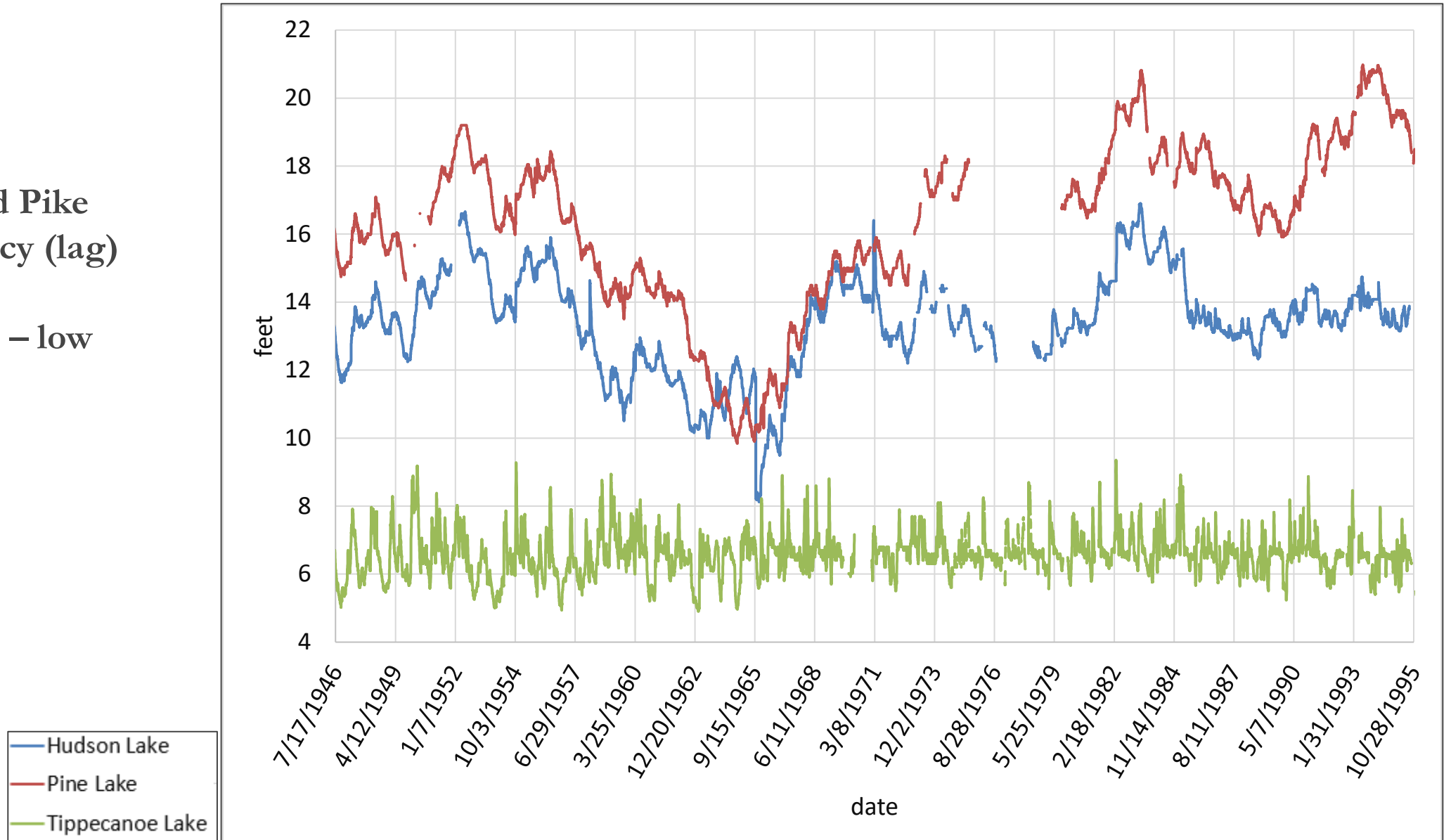
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Historical information for Hudson Lake

Hudson Lake and Pike
Lake – high latency (lag)

Tippecanoe Lake – low
latency (lag)

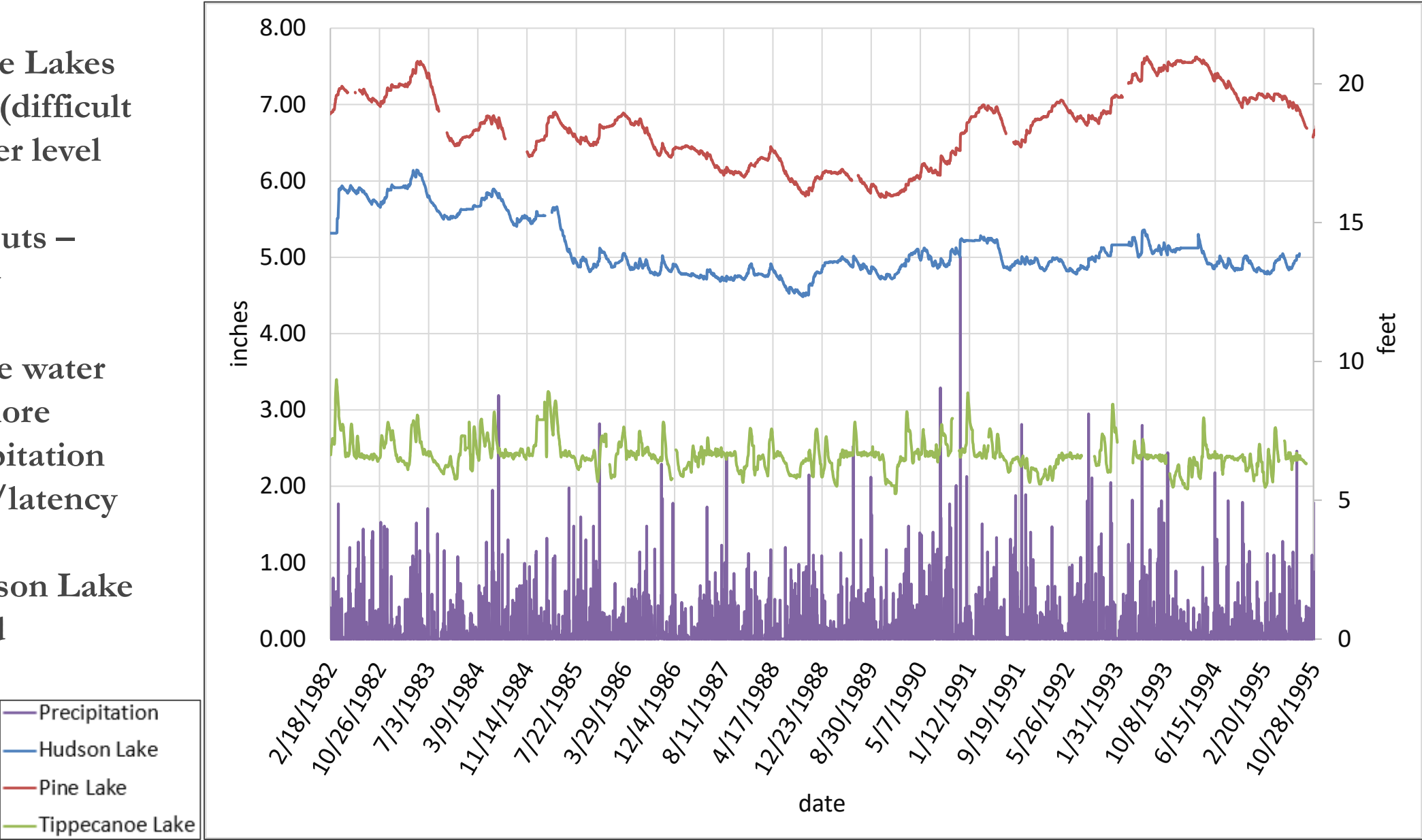


Historical information for Hudson Lake

Hudson and Pine Lakes have an indirect (difficult to interpret) water level signature from precipitation inputs – high lag/latency

Tippecanoe Lake water levels respond more directly to precipitation inputs – low lag/latency

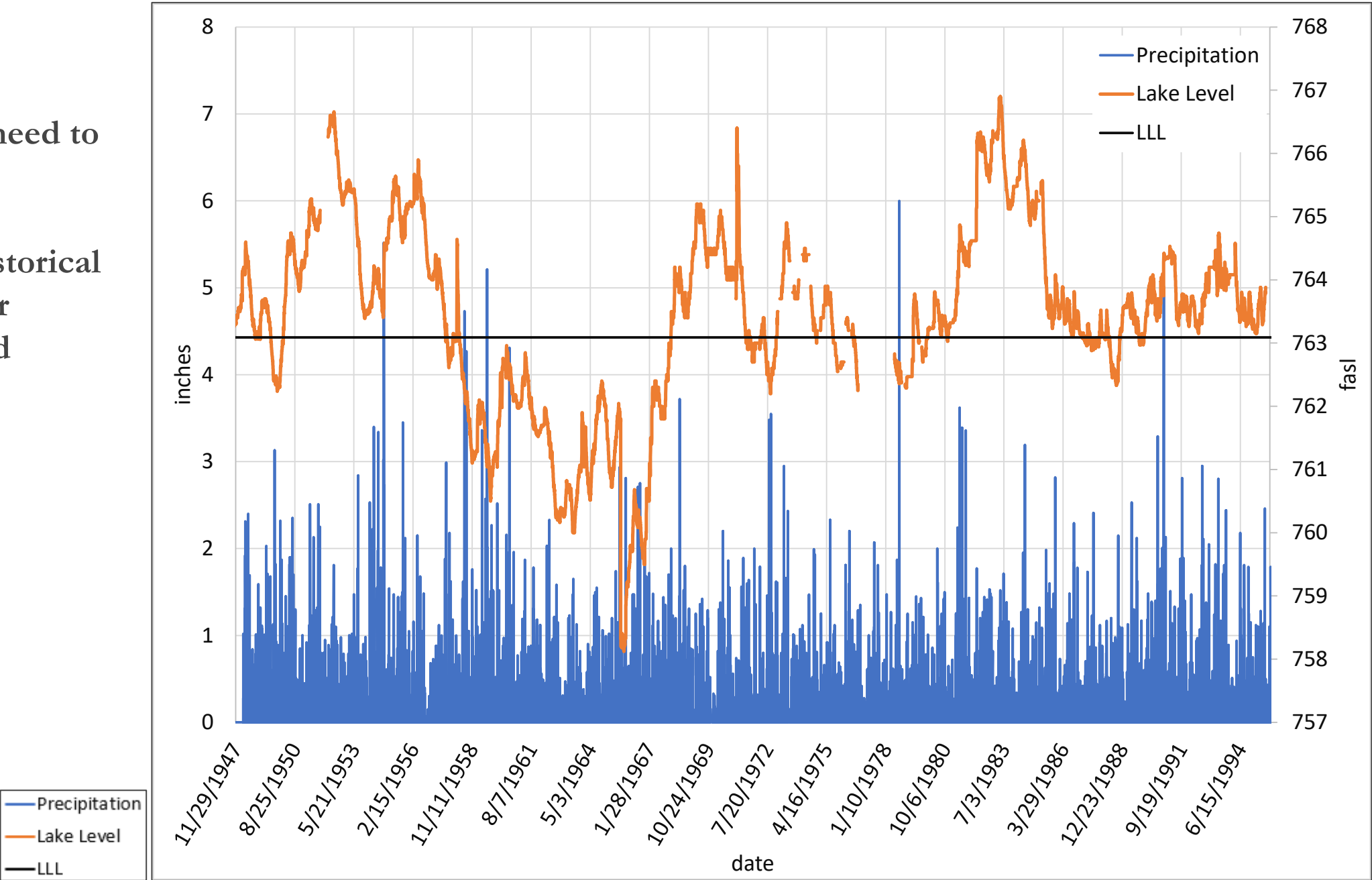
Post 1985 – Hudson Lake peaks attenuated



Historical information for Hudson Lake

Extreme highs in historical record – need to avoid

Extreme lows in historical record – difficult (or impossible) to avoid



Historical information for Hudson Lake

1876 report

- Description of the east 'berm' matches
 - 60 rods $\approx$ 1000 ft
- 1837 noted low water by 4 feet

By the year 1833 many settlers had sought homes in Hudson township, and a village, known at the time as Lakeport, but the name of which was afterward changed to Hudson, began to be recognized in the surrounding country as a place of importance. **There is not a town in the county more pleasantly located.** It is situated on the east shore of Hudson lake, sloping gently toward the lake, and, under more favorable circumstances, might have become a town of considerable importance. This place was the rival of La Porte, and indeed a formidable one for the trade of the north part of the county. In 1833 its growth commenced. In that year the first school-house after the mission was built there. The school was

In the year 1837, Andrew Avery commenced building a saw mill. The power used by him was of rather a novel kind. On the east bank of **Du Chemin lake**, the land is quite high for **some sixty rods**, it then sinks below the level of the lake. Through this mound it was proposed to dig a ditch. A large force of men were employed, and after an immense amount of work, **a canal was perfected through which the water ran to the depth of four feet.** With this power he contrived to run a wheel. For a while he succeeded very well, **but like all the lakes in the country, it became less in volume as the land was cleared up, the timber cut off and the sod broken, until two years after, the project was entirely abandoned.** **The lake is now at least four feet below its former level.** During this year Robert Stanfield opened a tailoring establishment, and four large stores were in operation, not little trading posts, but they were well stocked with all kinds of goods, and an immense trade was carried on. The monetary crash had impeded the growth of the town, but the people were not disheartened. They still believed in the Michigan canal, and that its construction was only a matter of time, and the panic of temporary duration.

1901 report

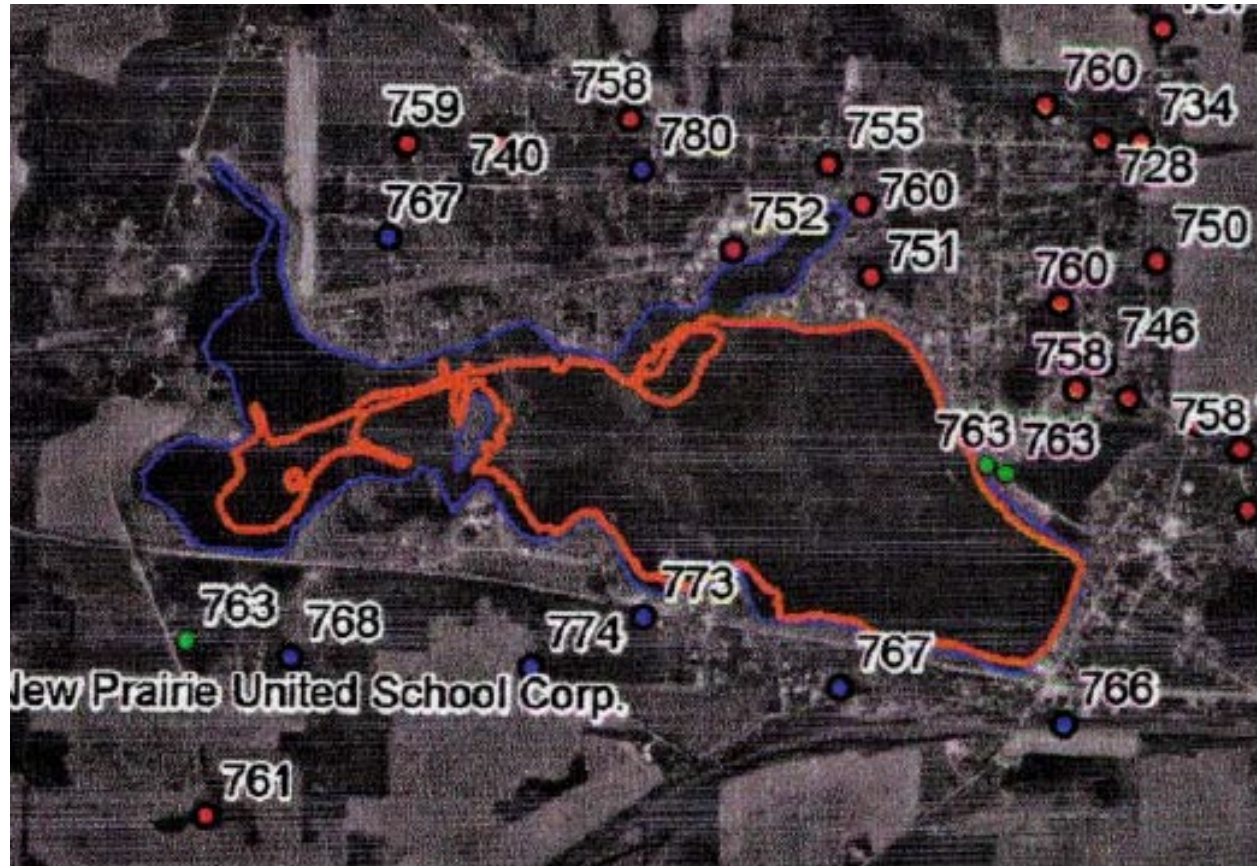
- Whole lake underlain by marl, not very thick, thinner at the central, east, and northern areas
- Noted low water – matches present day dry areas in the west

end. West of the island the lake was nearly dry when examined in September, 1899, there being only a small body of water, mostly in the southwest lobe, and much of that was less than a foot deep.

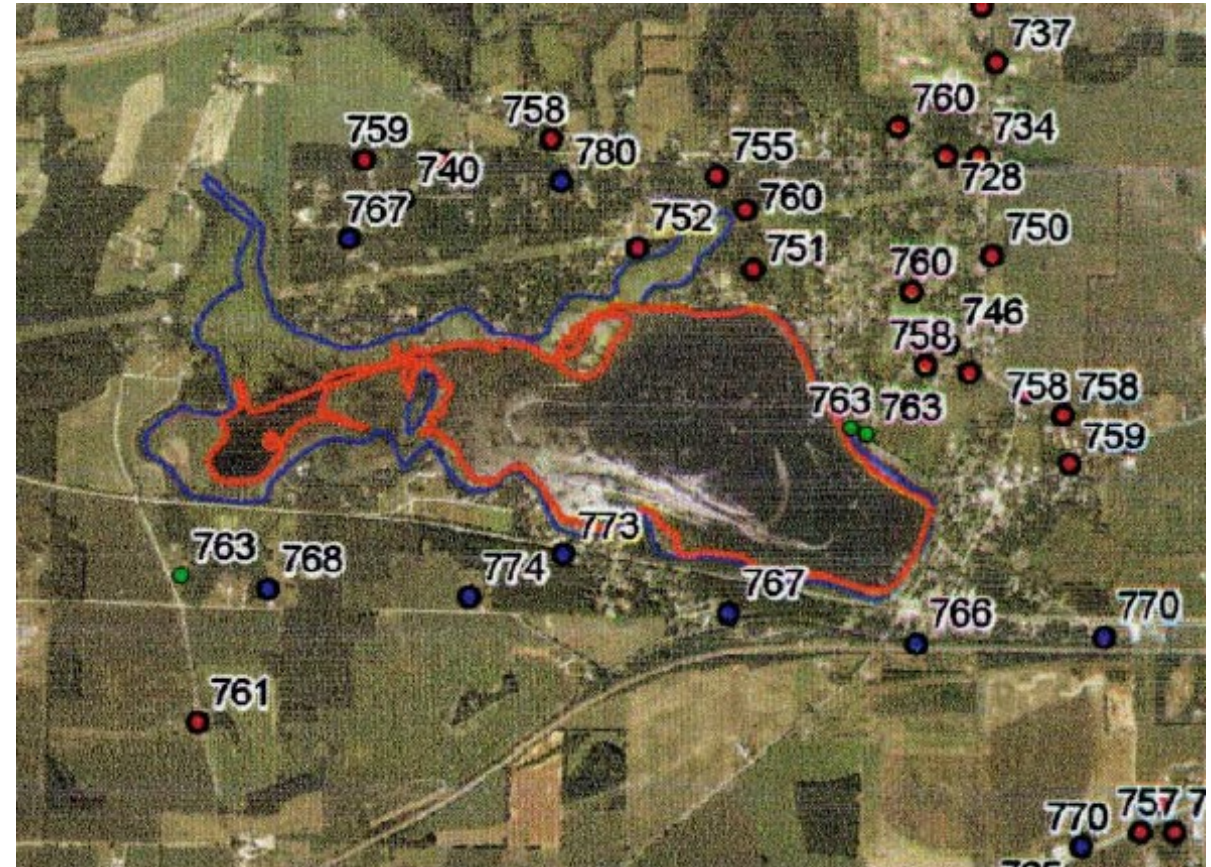
Historical information for Hudson Lake

Lake level boundaries fluctuate over time

1998



2003



Conclusions

- Hudson lake is a unique and complex hydrologic system
- What do we know:
 - Entirely groundwater fed lake
 - Highly permeable soils
- What is poorly understood:
 - Hydroclimatic drivers of high and low lake levels
 - Seasonal and multi-year fluctuations of the groundwater and lake levels



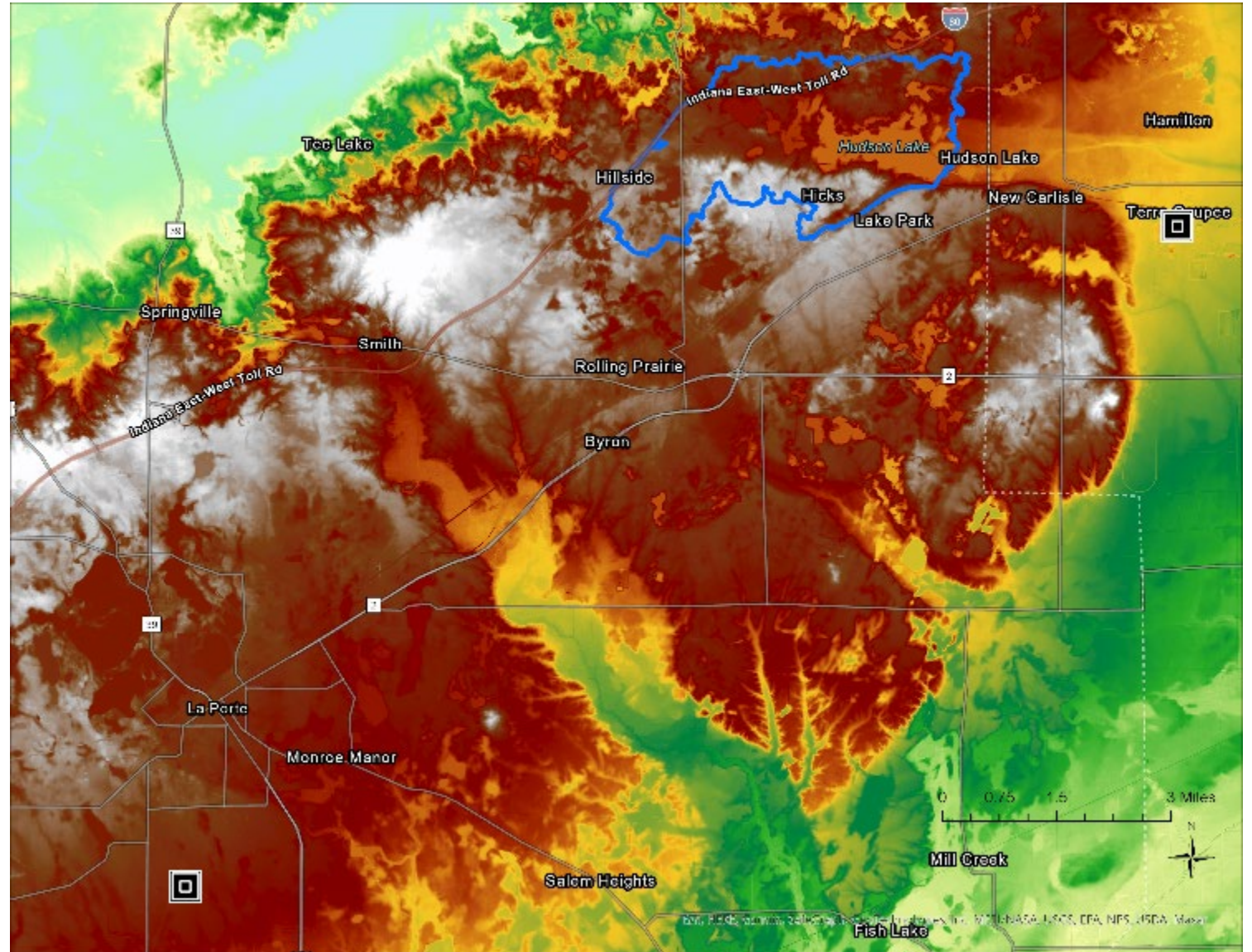
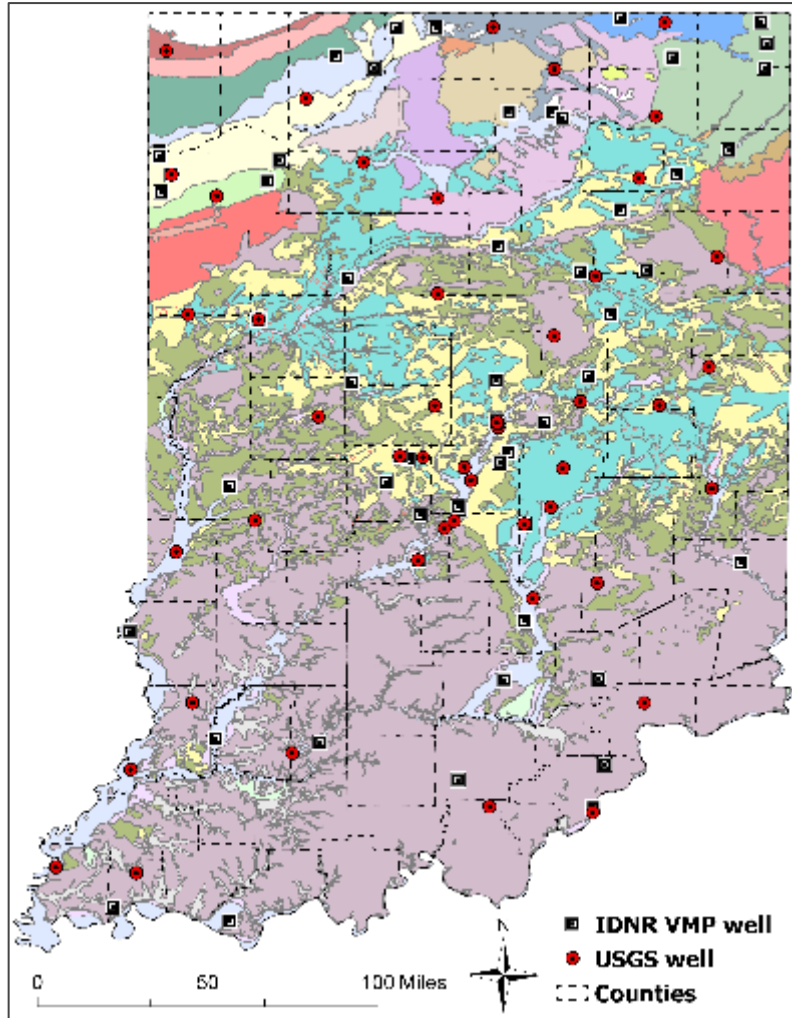
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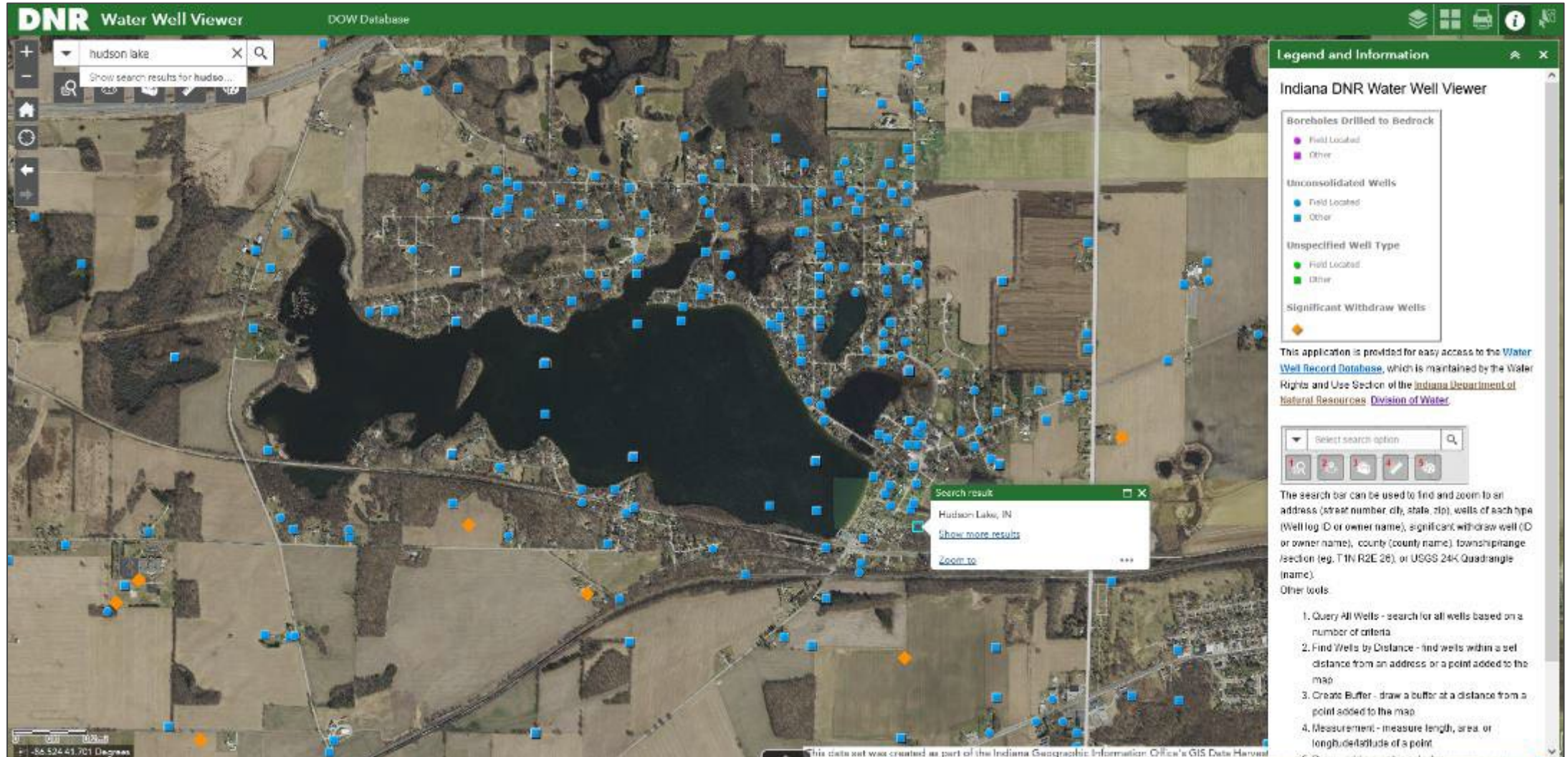
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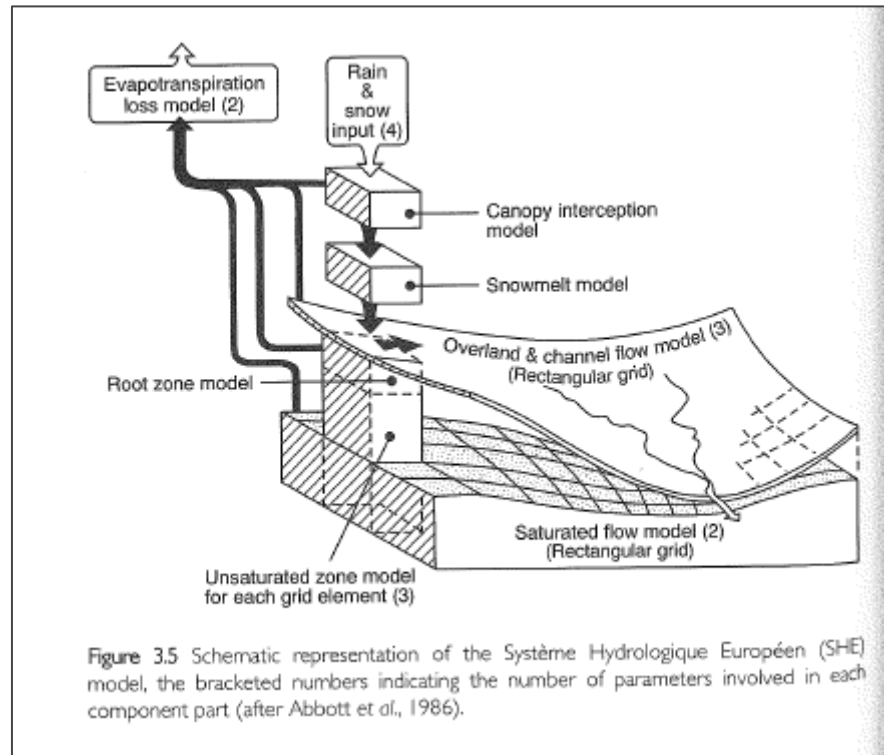
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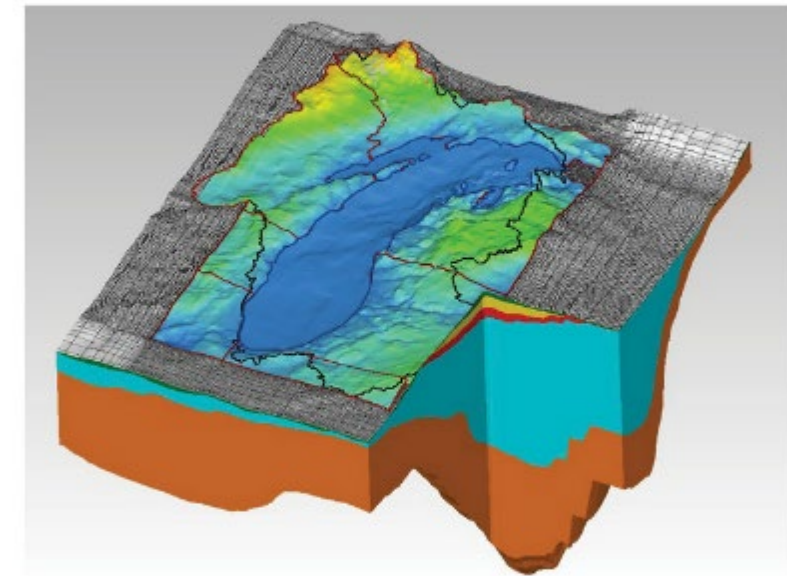
Modeling

- **Monitoring data are model inputs**
- **Provide water balance calculations – inputs and outputs**
- **Describe water movement through the landscape**
- **Identify the factors and relevant timescales that influence lake levels, to guide management strategies**



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Final thoughts

Funding is key!

Fulfills the Legislative Directives of IC 14-25-7 by conducting a “continuing assessment of the availability of the water resources” of the State of Indiana.



Resource Assessments

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Thank you!

