WATER STRESS IN FLORIDA

GII WORKSHOP

UNIVERSITY OF INDONESIA CARDIFF UNIVERSITY UNIVERSITY OF FLORIDA OCTOBER 2015 Introduction and Overview of Florida Water

- Focus on quantity
- Average of 50" of rainfall per year
- Florida groundwater aquifers for potable water and irrigation
- Apalachicola-Chattahoochee-Flint (ACF) watershed

Floridan Aquifer System

- Approximately 100,000 square miles in area
- One of the most productive aquifer systems in the world
- Principal source of water supply for potable, industrial use, and irrigation in the region
- Used by several large cities such as Savannah, GA, Tallahasee, Jacksonville, Orlando, and St. Petersburg, FL

Water Resources in Florida

 Use of potable water in Florida increased a factor of 6 in the last 90 years with 25% of the increase occurring in the last 25 years



Aquifer Water Resources in Florida

- Rainfall within the Floridan aquifer area ranges from 50" to about 80" per year in Georgia mountains
- Recharge is about 20" per year in south-central Georgia
- About 5-13" of the 50" average annual rainfall in Forida infiltrates and recharges the aquifer





Primary Groundwater Sources



Floridan Aquifer System

Basic information from the US Geological Survey

- Withdrawls in 2000: 3,640 MGD
 - Equals about 5% of all aquifer withdrawals in the US
 - Equals about 20% of the total discharge from the aquifer
 - Pre-development, 90% of flow was to springs and streams
- In 2000:
- 76% of withdrawals were in FL
- 53% of withdrawals were for irrigation
- 37% of withdrawals were for public supply
 87% of public supply withdrawals were in FL
- 10% of withdrawals were for self-supplied industrial uses

Objective and Approach

- Develop an impact assessment model for water resources in the built environment.
- Model impacts of the built environment on water resources.

Florida Model Application

Data sources

USGS HU level data source:

- Parcel level land use: Florida Geographic
 Data Library
- County level data sources:
- Annual (1995-2005) average precipitation: NOAA
- Annual (2000) withdrawals by type: USGS (Marella 2004)
- Annual (2000) waste water generated by type: USGS (Marella 2004)

Primary Groundwater Sources



Elocidal & Hydrological Unit sub-regions

Methodology

- Water pathway analysis
 - Withdrawal from aquifers and surface water for both consumptive and non-consumptive uses
 - including utilities such as electricity generation and services such as building HVAC (heating, ventilating and air conditioning)
 - Changes in land cover (infiltration, runoff and evapotranspiration).
- System analysis
 - Inflows and outflows of water to aquifers and their associated streams.



Water pathway analysis



Impact indicators:

Impact on Aquifer = Raq (developed) / Raq (pristine)

Impact on Surface water resource = Dw (developed) / Dw (pristine)

Assumption: Water entering aquifer leaves the aquifer with no change in storage.

Conditions	Waq	Rp	Ru	Raq	Raq (dev.)/ Raq (Pris.)	Ws	Dp	Du	Dn	Dw	Dw (dev.) / Dw (Pris.)
Developed	172,471					69,988					
Pristine	0					0					

All values in Mgal/ year

Withdrawal by county and type:

- Ground and fresh surface water
- Public supply and self supply
- Domestic, commercial, industrial and power plants

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Imperviousness, infiltration, and evapotranspiration by land use type

USEPA 1993

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Developed	172,471	454,778				69,988	1,027,423				
Pristine	0	838,261				0	502 , 957				

All values in Mgal/ year

Precipitation: 50 inches/year (10 year average)

Lan	d use	Area (10 ⁸ m ²)	Case Type	Evapotrans- piration	Deep infiltration	Shallow infiltration	Runoff	
Transportatio communicatio	on, on & utilities	11.3	4	106,049	17,674	35,349	194,424	
Low density ı	urban	21.0	2	249,582	137,927	137,927	131,359	
Medium dens	sity urban	19.2	3	210,070	90,030	120,040	180,060	
High density	urban	20.0	4	187,460	31,243	62,486	343,677	
Pristine		71.5	1	894,145	558,8 40	558,84 0	223,536	
Developed:	eloped: Recharge, precipitation (Rp) = 0.5 x shallow infiltration + deep infiltration = $454,778$ Discharge, precipitation (Dp) = 0.5 x shallow infiltration + runoff = $1,027,423$							
Pristine:Recharge, precipitation (\mathbf{Rp}) = 0.5 x shallow infiltration + deep infiltration = 838,261Discharge, precipitation (\mathbf{Dp}) = 0.5 x shallow infiltration + runoff = 502,957								

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Developed	172,471	454,778	90,299			69,988	1,027,423	128,172			
Pristine	0	838,261	0			0	502,957	0			

All values in Mgal/ year

Urban recharge (Ru) consists of:

- Supply pipe leaks
- Waste water pipe leaks
- Domestic irrigation
- Septic systems
- Treated waste water injection
- Waste water reuse (ground application, wetlands, etc.)

Urban discharge (Du) consists of:

- Domestic irrigation
- Cooling water disposal from power

plants

- Treated waste water disposal
- Waste water reuse (ground application, wetlands, etc.)

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Pristine	0	838,261	0	838,261		0	502,957	0	502,957		

All values in Mgal/ year

Net recharge to aquifer, Raq

Net discharge to surface water, Ds

Developed:
$$Raq = Rp + Ru - Waq = 373,606$$

 $Dn = Dp + Du - Ws = 1,085,607$
Pristine: $Raq = Rp + Ru - Waq = 838,261$
 $Dn = Dp + Du - Ws = 502,957$

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Pristine	0	838,261	0	838,261		0	502,957	0	502,957	1,341,218	

All values in Mgal/ yearC

Total discharge from hydrological unit (watershed), Dw

Developed: Dw = Raq + Dn = 1,458,213

Pristine : Dw = Raq + Dn = 1,341,218

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Developed	172,471	454,778	90,299	373,606	0.44	69,988	1,027,423	128,172	1,085,607	1,458,213	1.09
Pristine	0	838,261	0	838,261		0	502,957	0	502,957	1,341,218	

All values in Mgal/ year

Impact indicators:

Impact on Aquifer = Raq (developed) / Raq (pristine) = 0.44

Impact on Surface water resource = Dw (developed) / Dw (pristine) = 1.09

HU Code	Hydrological Unit	Raq (Developed)/ Raq (Pristine)	Dw (Developed)/ Dw (Pristine)
O314	Choctawhatchee Escambia	0.39	1.08
O313	Apalachicola	0.58	1.06
O312	Ochlockonee	0.49	1.05
O311	Suwanee	0.40	1.09
O310	Peace Tampa Bay	0.33	1.09
O309	Southern Florida	0.30	1.02
O308	St. Johns	0.44	1.09
O307	Altamaha St Mary's	0.50	1.10

Model Comparison



<u>Global Water System Project</u> Source: www.atlas.gwsp.org Impact Indicators

ACF Introduction and Geology



 Geology in the lower Flint River basin provides access to the Floridan aquifer water resources







APALACHICOLA - CHATTAHOOCHEE - FLINT (ACF) BASIN Geology



Introduction – ACF basin snapshot



APALACHICOLA - CHATTAHOOCHEE - FLINT (ACF) BASIN Study Area





- Area: 19,600 sq. mi. or 12.3 million acres
- Population: 1995 4 million
 2050 estimated 7 million
- Land use: 6% residential; 2% commercial; 25% agricultural; balance is mainly undeveloped forested
- Reservoirs: hundreds of reservoirs, 16 on the three principal river main stems (11 non-federal and 5 federal)
- Storage: W.F. George storage area 45,000 surface acres and Lake Lanier storage area 38,500 surface acres
 - Basin:GeorgiaAlabamaFloridaPopulation90%7%3%Basin area74%15%11%Withdrawals82%11%7%

Source: Presentation to USDA-CSREES, National Water Conference Savannah, GA by Robert Haskell Abrams, Professor of Law, Florida A & M University (January 31, 2007) 25

Projected Population growth 2000 - 2015

ACF population growth sville Marietta Atlanta Macon 00 Columbus Montgomery Legend GEORGIA ACF Basin 0.75% to 5.57% Cities Dams Study Area 5.58% to 13.44% Alba **Region Population** Fish and Wildlife 13.45% to 26.27% P00_15PERC Flood Control 26.28% to 47.17% ŵ Dothan -19.95% to -7.13% 47.18% to 81.23% Hydroelectric ۰ -7.14% to 0.74% 81.24% to 136.72% Water Supply o Basin Rivers Tallahassee FLORID/ SOURCE: USGS POPULATION DATA 26



ACF basin - reservoirs and storage

		FUL SURFA	FULL POOL SURFACE AREA		RAGE ACITY
			\downarrow		\checkmark
CHATTAHOOCHEE RIVER	DATE	ACRES	% TOTAL	CFS-DAYS	%TOTA
LANIER	1957	38,520	<mark>22.8%</mark>	583,332	66.4%
WEST POINT	1975	25,864	15.3%	154,341	18.7%
NORTH HIGHLANDS	1900	131	10.0%		0%
OLIVER	1959	2,150	1.3%		0%
BARTLETTS FERRY	1926	5,850	3.5%		0%
GOAT ROCK	1912	1,050	0.06%		0%
LANGDALE	1860	152	0.1%		0%
MORGAN FALLS	1903	580	0.3%		0%
RIVERVIEW	1902	75	0.0%		0%
CITY MILLS	1963	110	0.1%		0%
W.F.GEORGE	1964	45,181	<mark>26.8%</mark>	123,219	14.9%
ANDREWS	1963	1540	0.9%		0%
SEMINOLE	1954	37,500	<mark>22.2%</mark>	18,234	2%
SUBTOTAL		158,725	94.1%	825,892	100%
FLINT RIVER					
LAKE BLACKSHEAR	1903	8,525	5.5%		
LAKE WORTH	1920	1,400	0.8%		
SUBTOTAL		9,925	5.9%	0	
TOTAL		168,650			

SOURCE: DR. S. LEITMAN





Quantity

- Quantity is the primary concern
- Retaining water in reservoirs and increased consumptive withdrawals for irrigation during drought reduces flow during dry periods
- Groundwater withdrawals:
 0 65 Mgd



Stakeholder interests by State



Georgia

Secure adequate and non-costly water supply that would not hinder the rapid economic and population growth in the region:

- fulfill metro Atlanta water needs, i.e., major public and industrial supply demands
- keep reservoir storage full to support withdrawals in periods of drought and provide for water-based recreation at other times
- serve southern Georgia agricultural demand
- also interested in hydropower production and commercial navigation

Stakeholder interests by State



Alabama

Secure sufficient quantity and quality of water that insures healthy downstream flow to attract future economic growth:

- preserve water withdrawals for increased agricultural and manufacturing development
- serve industrial thermal cooling demand
- long history of favoring management of federal reservoir system to support having a commercial navigation channel in Apalachicola River

Stakeholder interests by State



Florida

A flow regime that will maintain biological diversity and productivity of Apalachicola Bay:

- preserve Apalachicola estuary (resisted dam construction for federal navigational channel)
- preserve the shellfish industry
- serve agricultural demand

Withdrawal by type: Summary

Туре	Withdra	wal (Mgd)	Total (Mgd)
	Surface	Ground	
Municipal and industrial	735	134	869
Industrial self- supplied	161	24	185
Irrigation	230	534	764
Thermoelectric	1460	1	1461
Aquaculture	8	8	16
Domestic self- supplied		66	66
Total	2594	767	3361

 The USGS has estimated that monthly consumption for the Chattahoochee River Basin above West Point varied from 18 to 34% of total surface water withdrawals.

Water and Ecosystem rights





- Ecosystem rights have limited representation in the discussions to date
- A management solution to water allocation will need to consider the flow, quality, and quantity of the basin ecologically and as an immovable constant rather than a negotiable commodity.

Conclusions

- Complex water models are needed to more accurately model aquifer flows and determine impacts of development
- Climate change is predicted to have an effect on rainfall
- Multi-decadal rainfall cycles
- The ACF basin requires an integrated study of human and natural systems
- Design systems and management regimes that recognize the equal value of quality of life, economic opportunity, and the necessity for ecosystems to thrive
- Negotiations to date have focused on managing flow rather than reducing demand

Stakeholder-based Life Cycle Assessment



Post-tsunami Reconstruction in Sri Lanka

- Reconstruction and Development Agency (RADA) of the Government of Sri Lanka
- Collaboration with ETHZ, MIT, and GTZ
- Simplified qualitative and qualitative indicators Mid point and end point
- Flexible analysis
 - Generic or detailed level depending on planning situation

Wastewater Treatment Case Study

Grey water

1) discharged to the surface of the household's own plot of land

2) discharged to a nearby canal

3) piped to a treatment plant

Black water

1) discharged to a two chambered septic tank on the household's own plot of land

2) discharged to the nearby canal

3) piped to a treatment plant

Participants

- 1) Village development committee
- 2) Technical officers
- 3) Public health officers
- 4) Local authority representatives



Pilot study location: Unawatuna Village



Stakeholder-based LCA framework



Wastewater discharged to canals



Wastewater discharged to treatment plant



Indicator	Quantitative/Qualitative
mucutor	aspects
Capital costs	Quantitative
Operation and Maintenance costs	Quantitative
Cost savings/increases	Quantitative
Cost recoveries – service fees/tax	Quantitative
NPV	Quantitative/Qualitative
Number of livelihood opportunities	Quantitative/Qualitative
Number of local labor opportunities	Quantitative/Qualitative
Institutional capacities inadequate/adequate	Qualitative
Energy consumptions/savings	Quantitative
Raw material depletions/savings	Quantitative
CO2/GWP increases/reductions	Quantitative
Environmental releases (wastewater, sludge,	Quantitative/Qualitative
etc.) increases/reductions	
Contribution to spread of diseases more/less	Quantitative/Qualitative
Per capita consumption increases/reductions	Quantitative/Qualitative
Compliance with environmental regulations,	Quantitative/Qualitative
standards, or recommendations	
Number of people affected/benefited	Quantitative
Number of people with improved skills and	Quantitative/Qualitative
capacity	
Vulnerable group preferences	Qualitative
ignored/considered	
Historical/cultural preferences	Qualitative
ignored/considered	
Stakeholder objectives unfulfilled/fulfilled	Qualitative
Compliance with socio-economic regulations,	Quantitative/Qualitative
standards, or recommendations	
CBOs inactive/active	Qualitative
	IndicatorCapital costsOperation and Maintenance costsCost savings/increasesCost recoveries – service fees/taxNPVNumber of livelihood opportunitiesNumber of local labor opportunitiesInstitutional capacities inadequate/adequateEnergy consumptions/savingsRaw material depletions/savingsCO2/GWP increases/reductionsEnvironmental releases (wastewater, sludge, etc.) increases/reductionsContribution to spread of diseases more/lessPer capita consumption increases/reductionsCompliance with environmental regulations, standards, or recommendationsNumber of people affected/benefitedNumber of people with improved skills and capacityVulnerable group preferences ignored/consideredHistorical/cultural preferences ignored/consideredStakeholder objectives unfulfilled/fulfilledCompliance with socio-economic regulations, standards, or recommendations