

Great Valley Water Resources Science Forum Virginia Water Science Center Programs



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Habitat Suitability Criteria for Fishes of the South Fork of the Shenandoah River

Data Collection Sites

Randomly selected transects from USGS sites:

Kaufman's Mill, Thunderbird Farms, Lynnwood, River Bend Pool, Compton, Rte. 661

~ from Grottoes to Front Royal

Strasburg Thunderbird Farms Woodsto Compton Poo Route 661 Kauffman Mill River Bend Pool **EXPLANATION** onburg Study Sites Lynnwood Gage Streamflow-Gaging Station SF Study Site NF Study Site Major Watersheds

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Findings

Shallow/fast habitats are most affected by low flow:

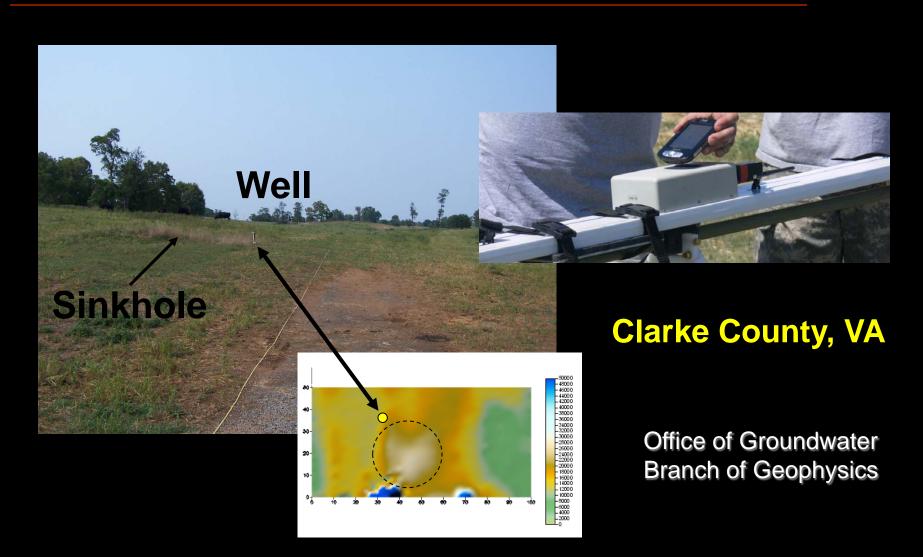
madtoms, chubs, minnows, arguably sub-adult smallmouth

Deep/slow habitats are more resistant:

smallmouth, sunfish, catfish

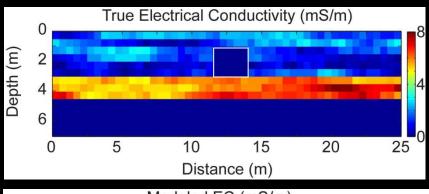


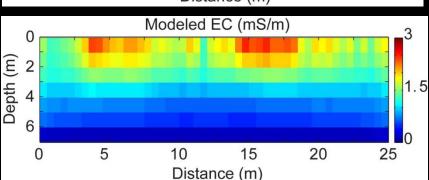
Frequency-Domain EM (FDEM) Conductivity Over Karst



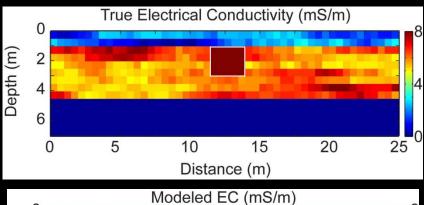
FDEM Software Development (Synthetic Modeling & Field Data Inversion)

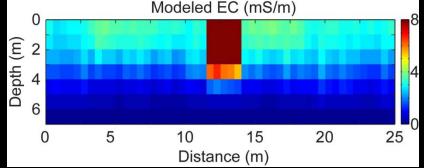




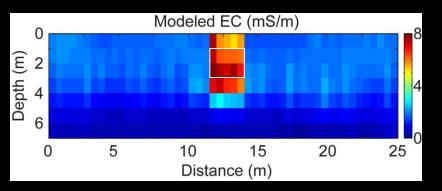


Water-Filled Void



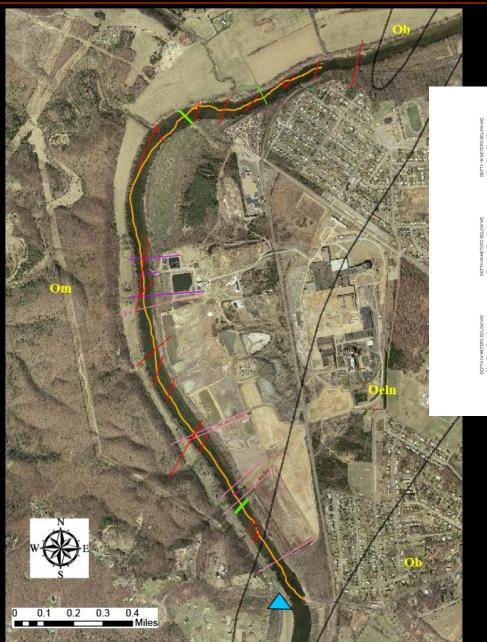


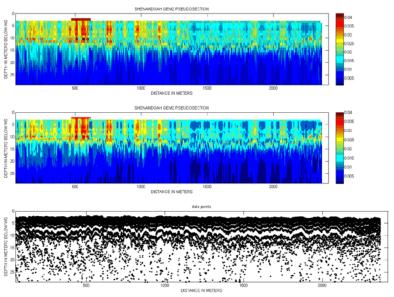
Water- Air Filled Void Difference



Exploit Seasonal Changes

FDEM GW/SW Relation





South Fork Shenandoah River Front Royal, Va.





Micro-Gravity

Shenandoah Valley of Virginia

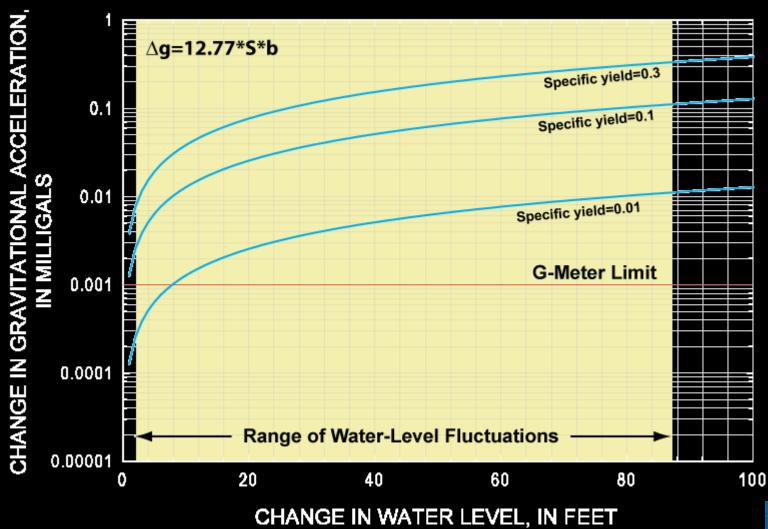


Relative Gravity Station

Absolute Gravity Station

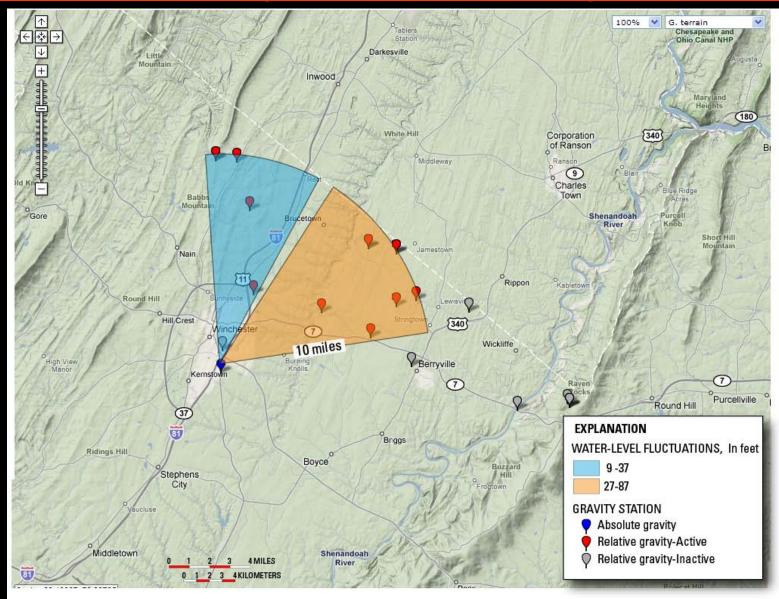
Temporal Micro-Gravity Changes

Water-level change vs. gravity change Pool and Eychaner (1995)



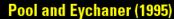
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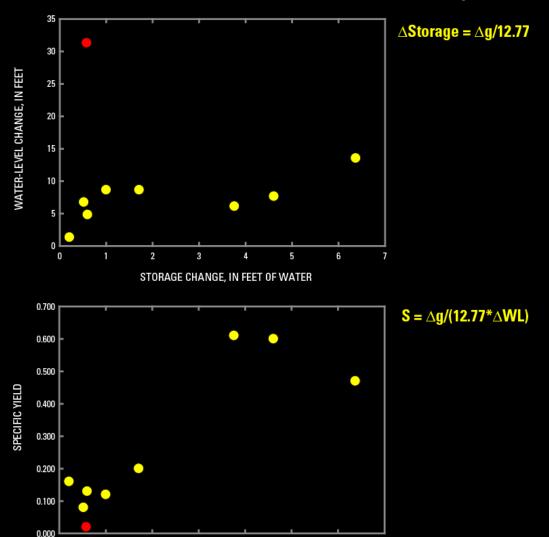
Shenandoah Valley Revised Micro-Gravity Network





Temporal Micro-Gravity Changes, Water Levels, and Storage

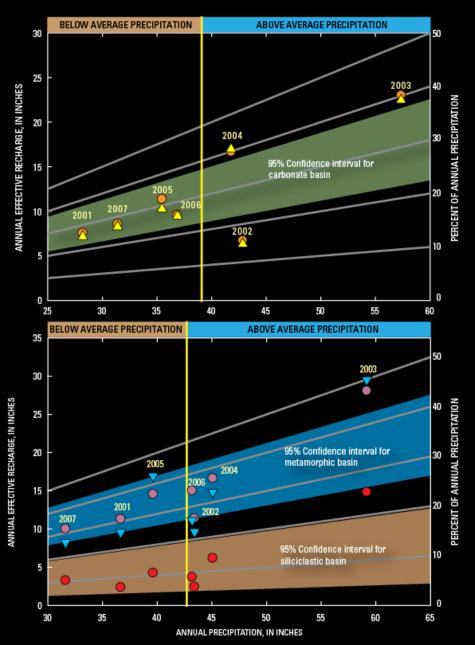




STORAGE CHANGE, IN FEET OF WATER



Effective Recharge and Annual Precipitation



Clarke County Carbonate Basins

01616100 Dry Marsh Run at Route 645 near Berryville, Va. 01636316 Spout Run at Route 621 near Millwood, Va.

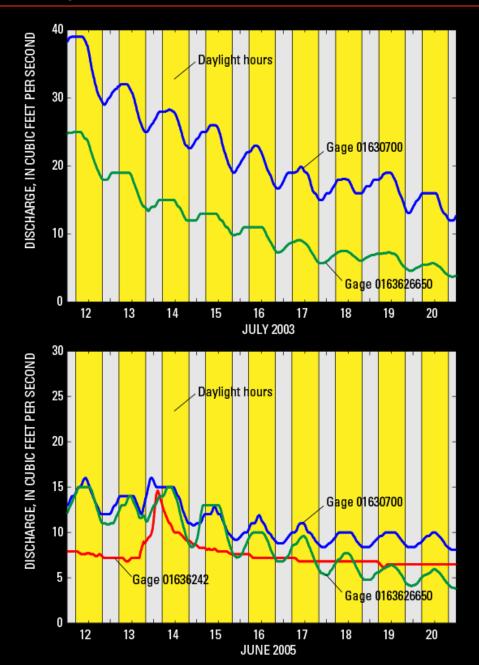
Warren County Metamorphic Basins

01630700 Gooney Run at Route 622 near Glen Echo, Va. 0163626650 Manassas Run at Route 645 near Front Royal, Va.

Warren County Siliciclastic Basin

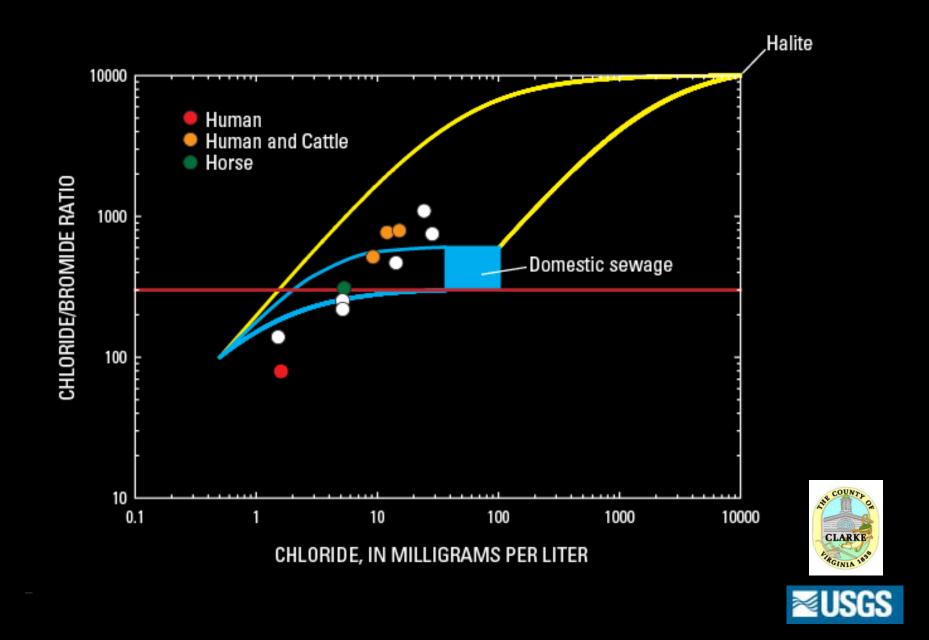
01636242 Crooked Run below Route 340 at Riverton, Va.

Riparian Evapotranspiration

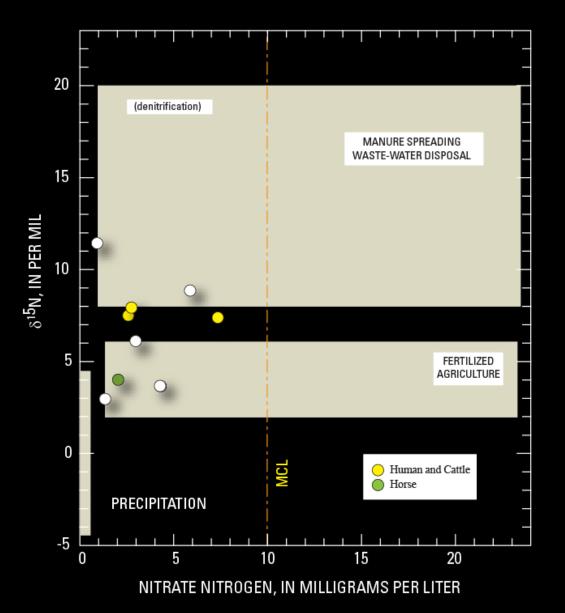




Source of Nitrogen and Bacteria in Clarke County



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Shaded areas (modified from Böhlke, 2003) indicate typical ranges of δ^{15} N values for nitrate in different source environments.





Old Waters?

