

Smart Watersheds for Smart Lake Management



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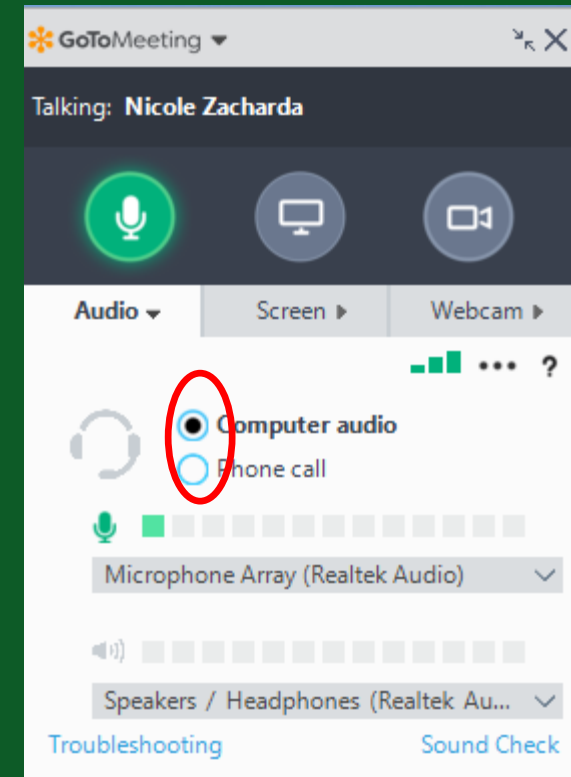
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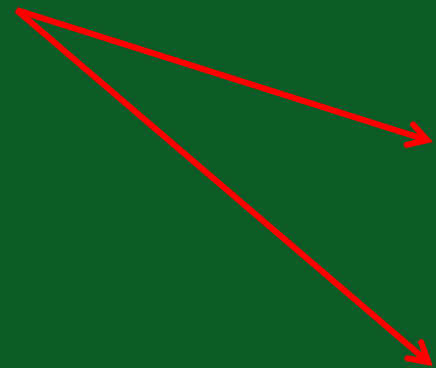
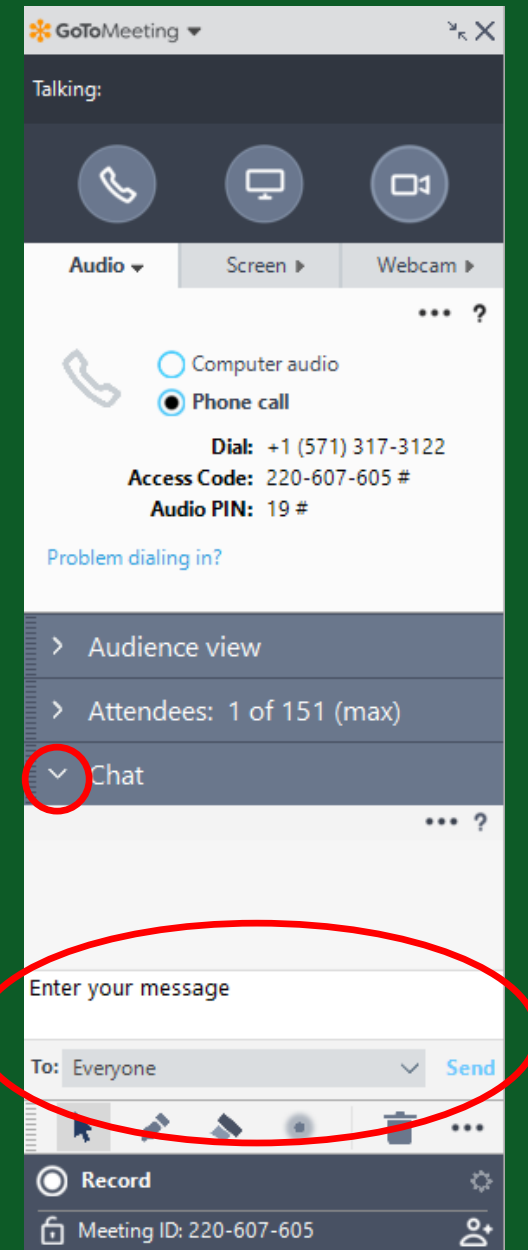
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HABs Collaborative

Linking Science and Management to Reduce Harmful Algal Blooms

Website: <https://www.glc.org/work/habs>

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- Send it to: habscollaboratory@great-lakes.net

Upcoming Activities:

- HARRNESS webinar, March 5th 2:00 p.m.
 - <https://tinyurl.com/qslya5j>
- Lakewide Action and Management Plan webinar, March 26th 2:00 p.m.
 - Register at <http://bit.ly/LAMPwebinar>

Speakers

- Bryan Stubbs, Cleveland Water Alliance
- Dr. Branko Kerkez, University of Michigan
- Myles Downhour and Angela Crain, USGS



Smart Lake Initiative

Bryan Stubbs

Executive Director

Cleveland Water Alliance





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Regional Challenge:

- \$1.5 billion over 30yrs
- Goal: 40% by 2025
- Insufficient Data



Progress



Efficiency



ROI

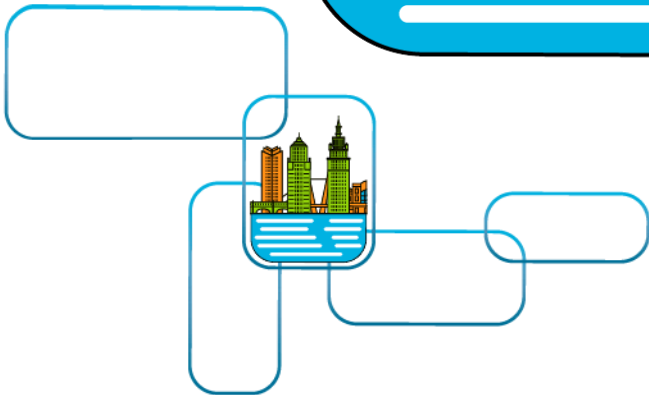




The Opportunity:

SMART LAKE

A new breed of Smart & Connected Infrastructure that enables intelligent regional water management by a cross-sector collaborative of institutions and communities.



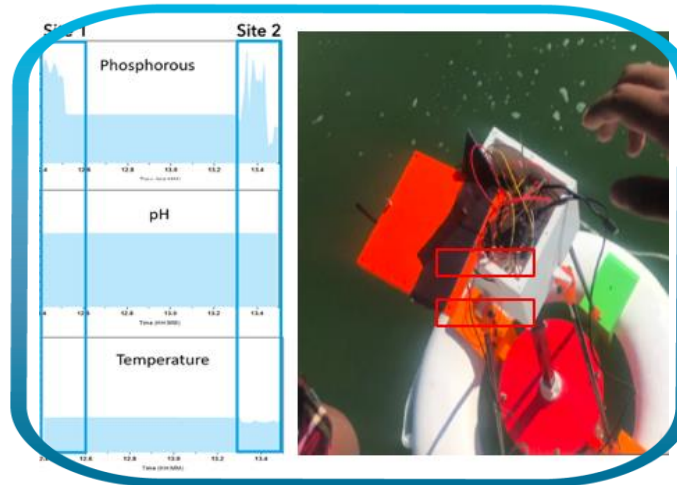
What is a “Smart” Lake?

SMARTLAKE



Data

- Deployed Sensors & Data Sondes
- Remote Sensing & Satellite Imaging
- Grab Samples & Citizen Science



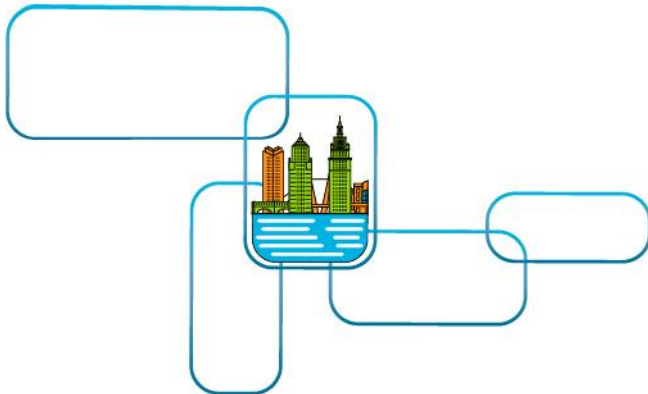
Information

- Analytics and Visualizations
- Notifications and Dashboards
- What else?



Action

- Serving solution providers
- Engaging the public





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Competitions



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INTERNET of H2O

Research



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Projects



great lakes observing system



LimnoTech





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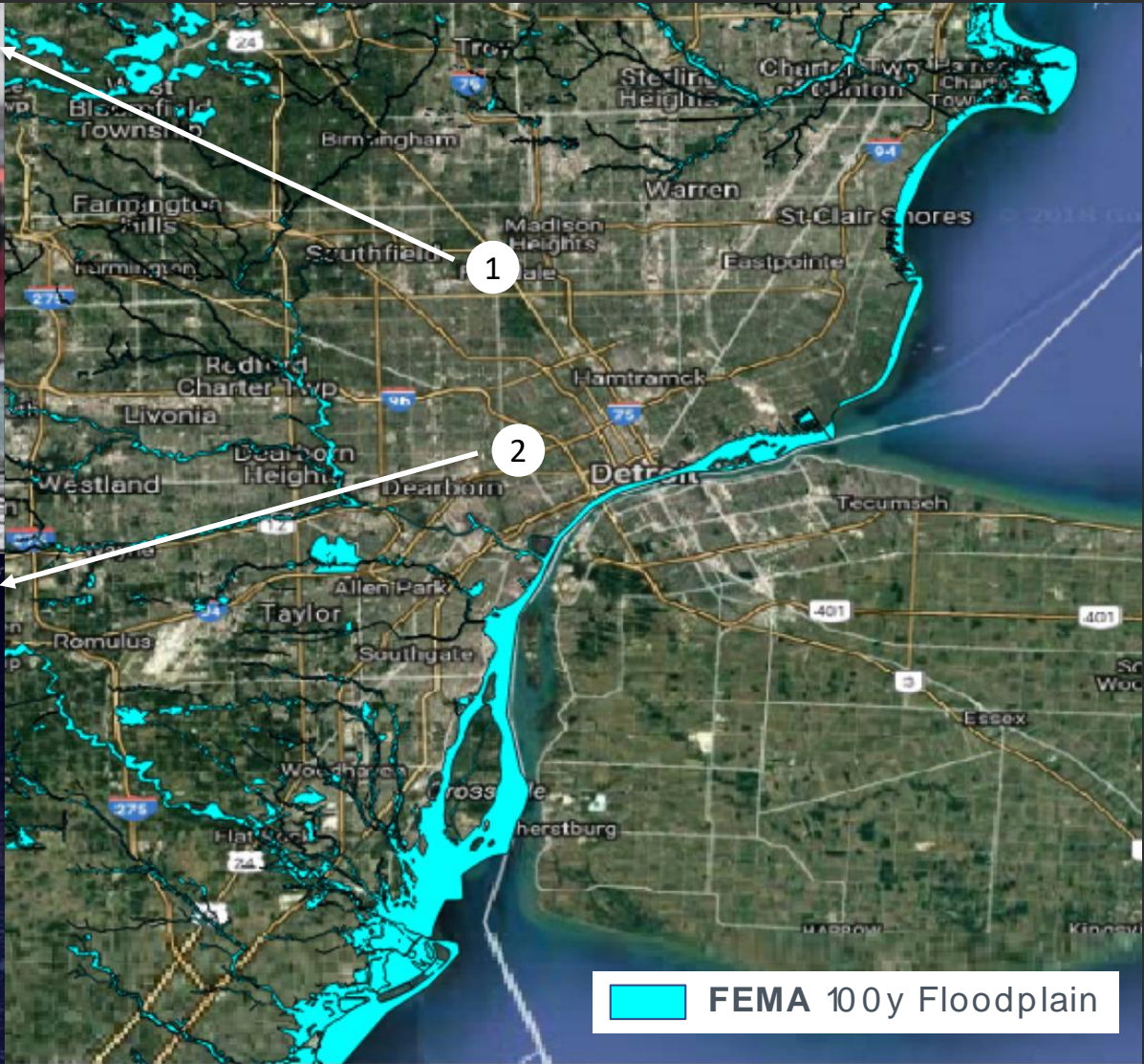
**Where we
(mostly)
work**







1



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FEMA 100y Floodplain



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have



have



want



have



do



want







have



do



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have



do



measure



want



have



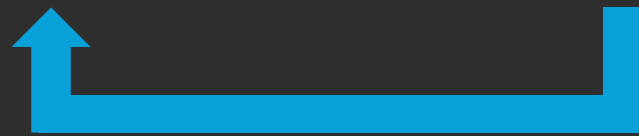
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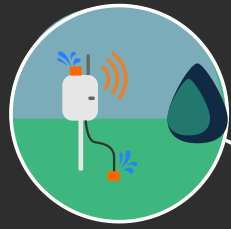
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adapt



Rain, soil moisture and water quality sensors measure real-time conditions of green and gray infrastructure

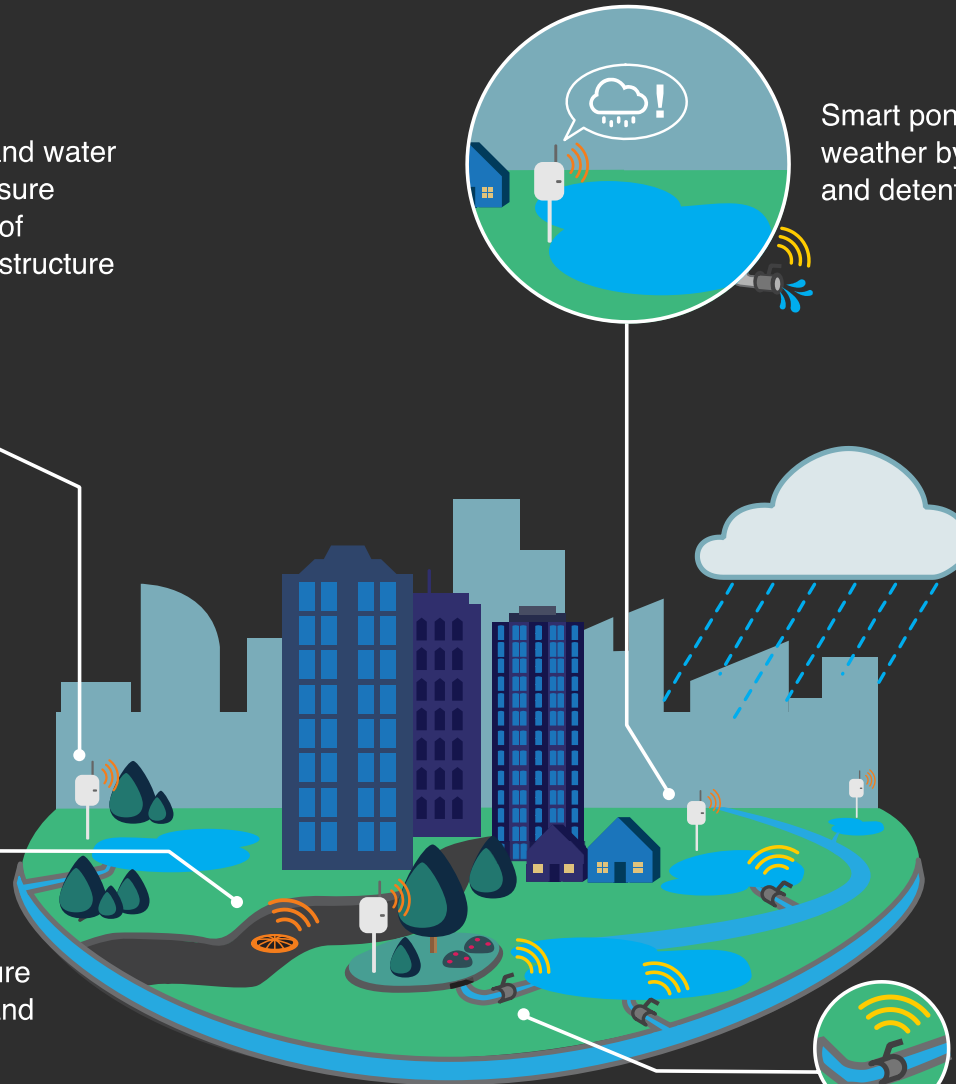


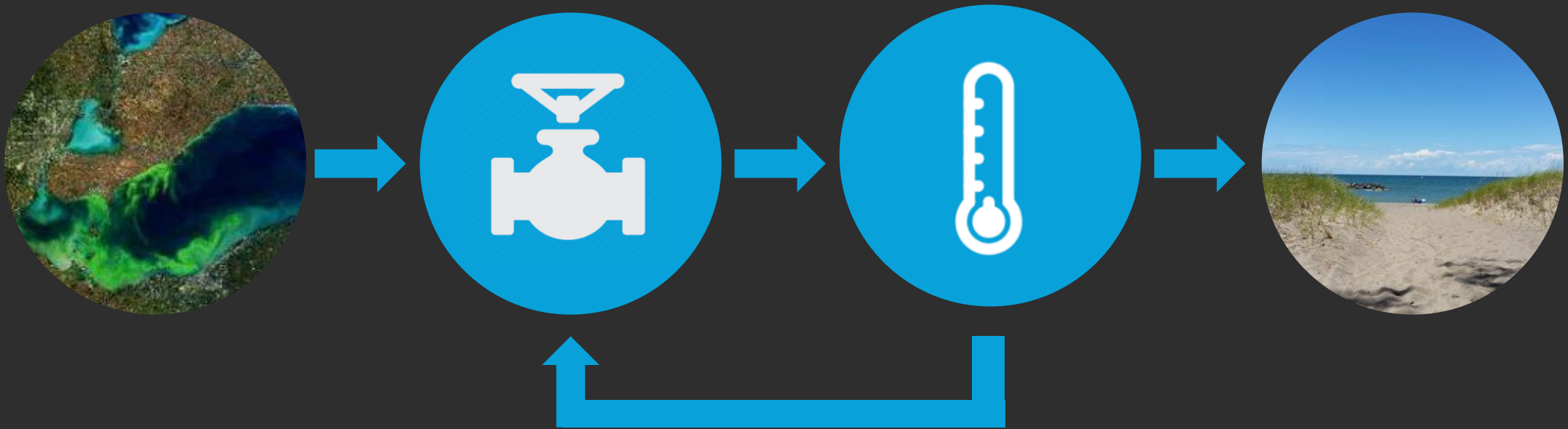
Smart ponds adapt to changing weather by managing storage and detention time

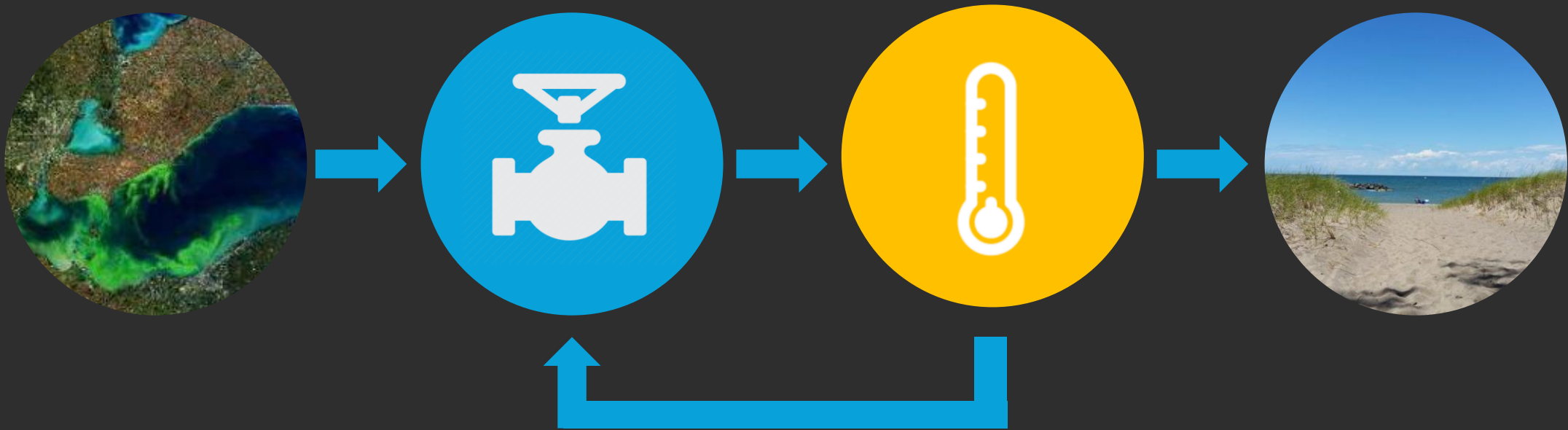
Smart covers measure underground flows and water quality



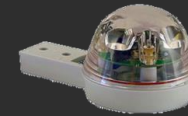
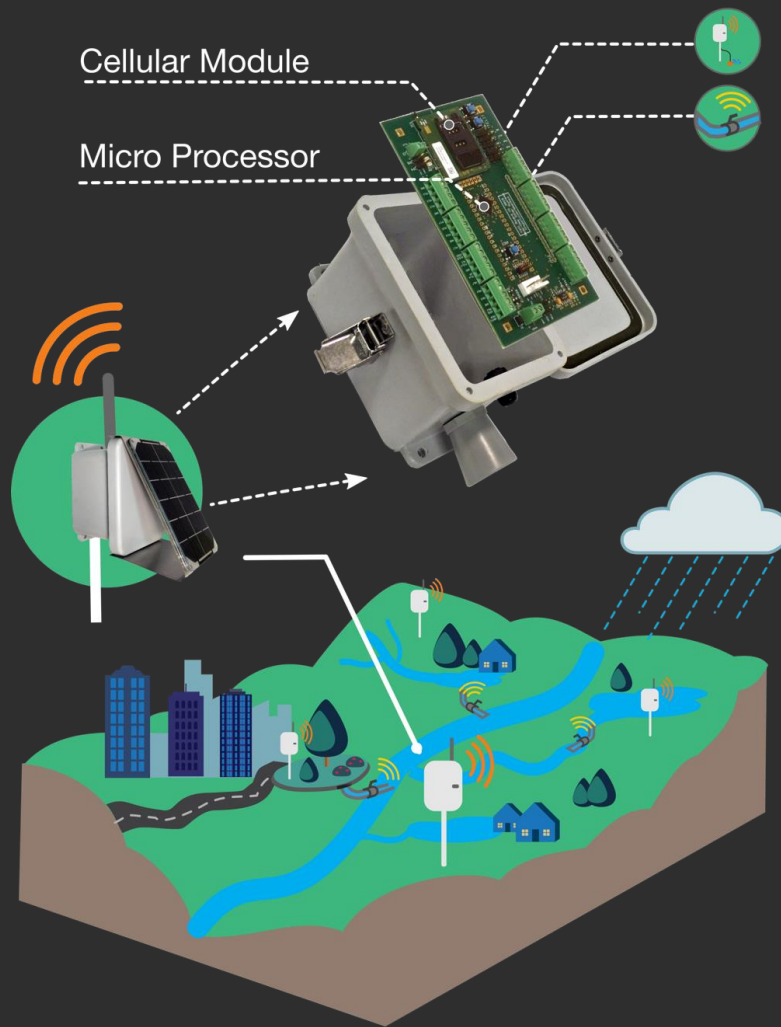
Multiple smart valves coordinate flows to achieve system-level benefits







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Rain



Depth



Soil Moisture



Water Quality



Valves

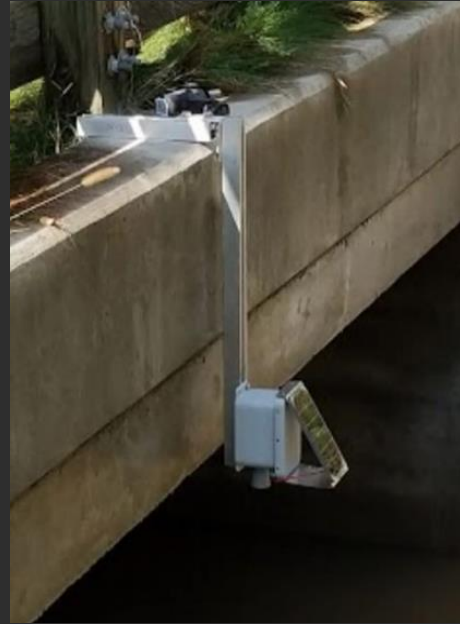


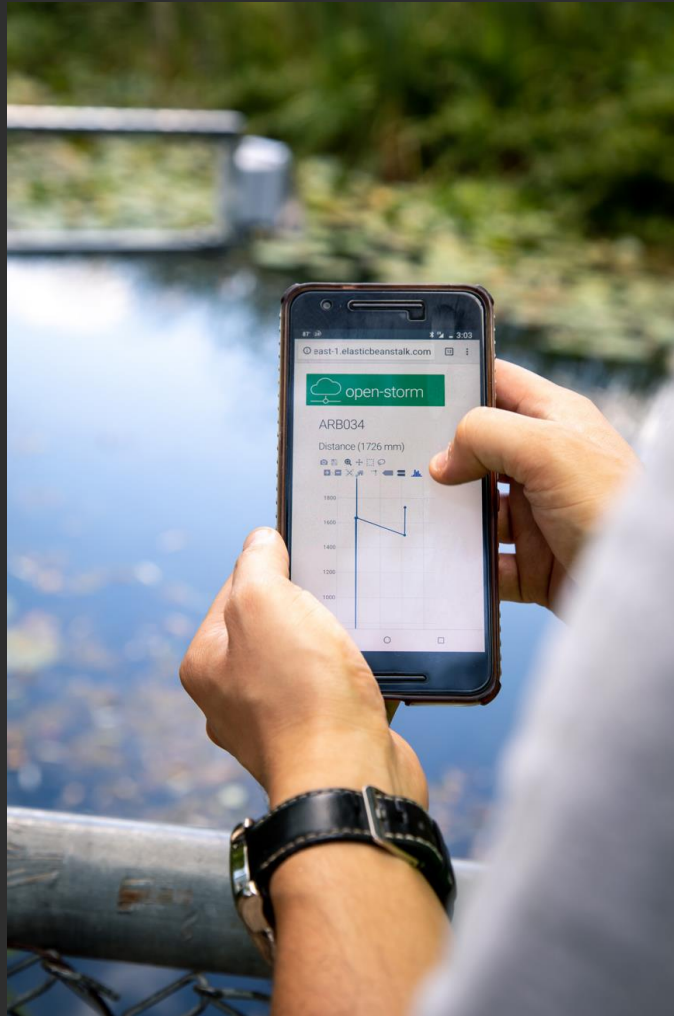
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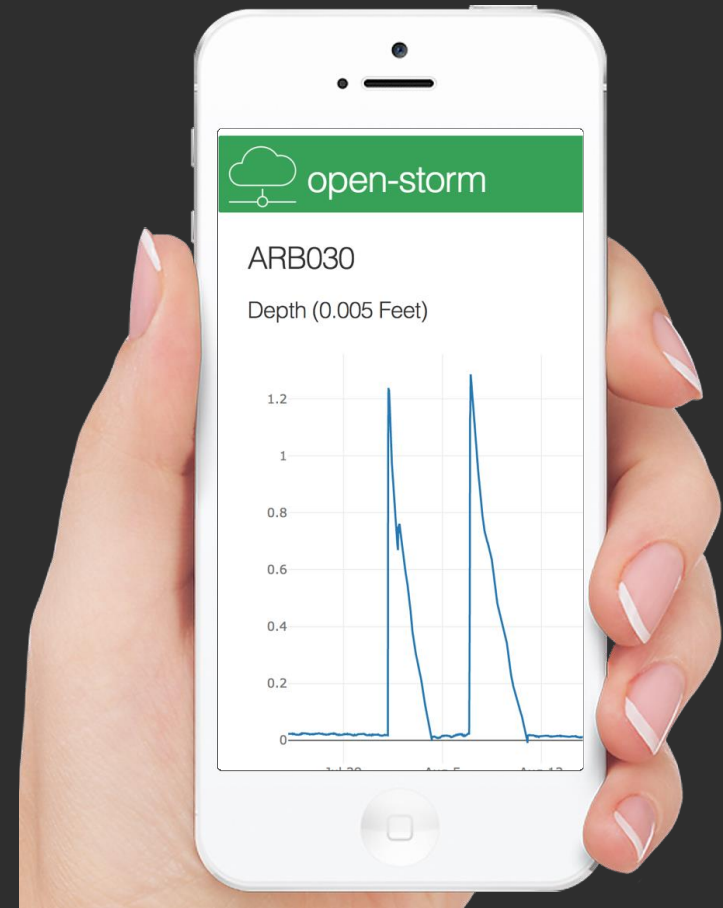


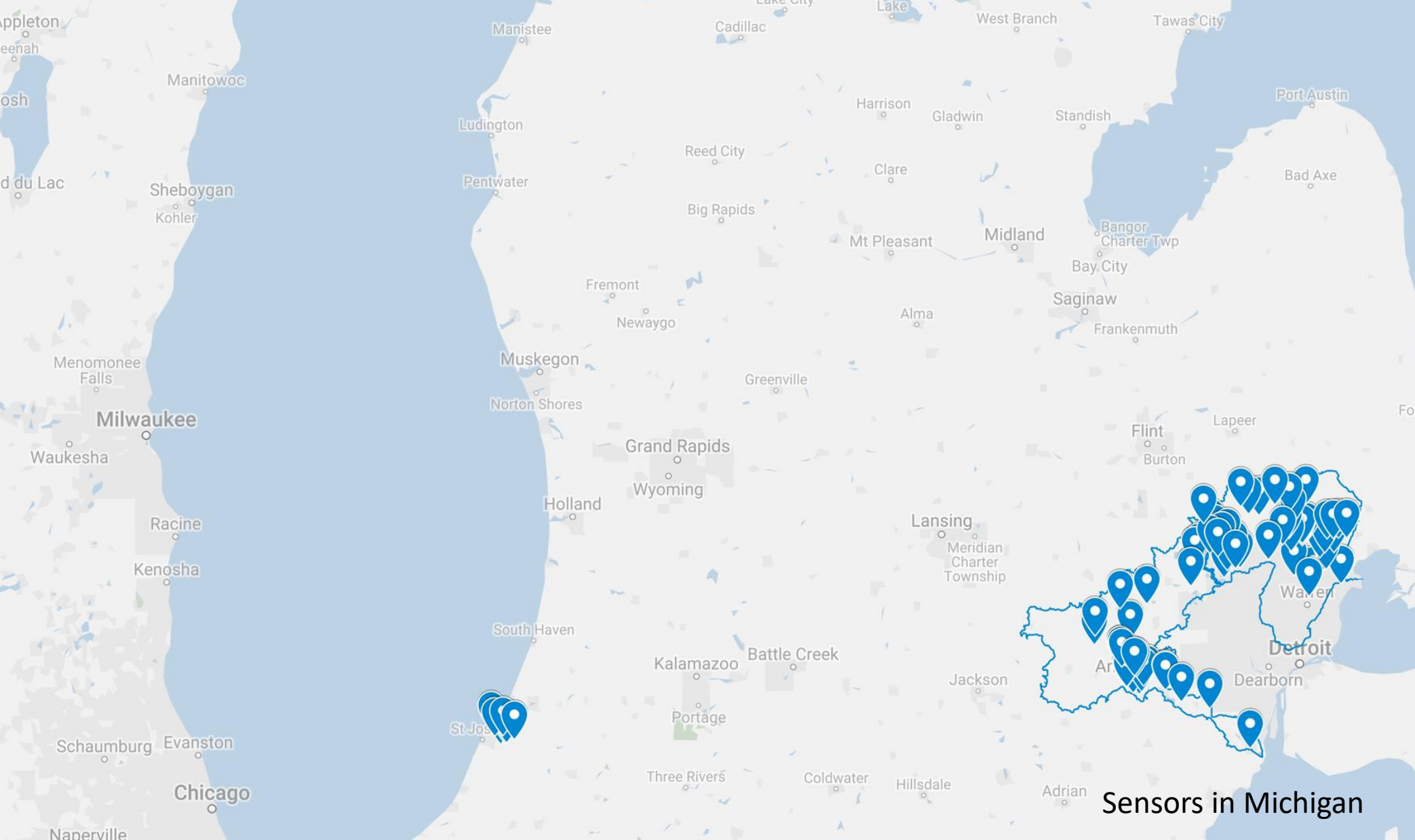
Automated Samplers



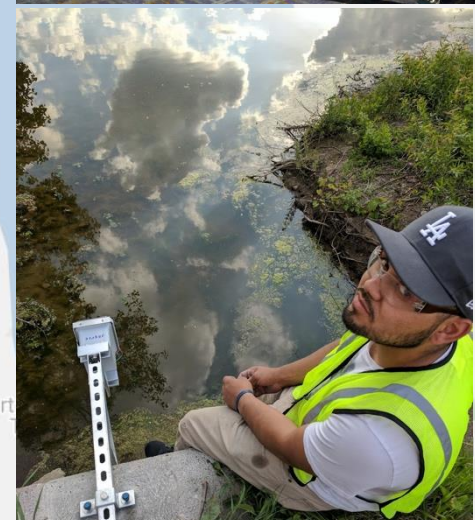


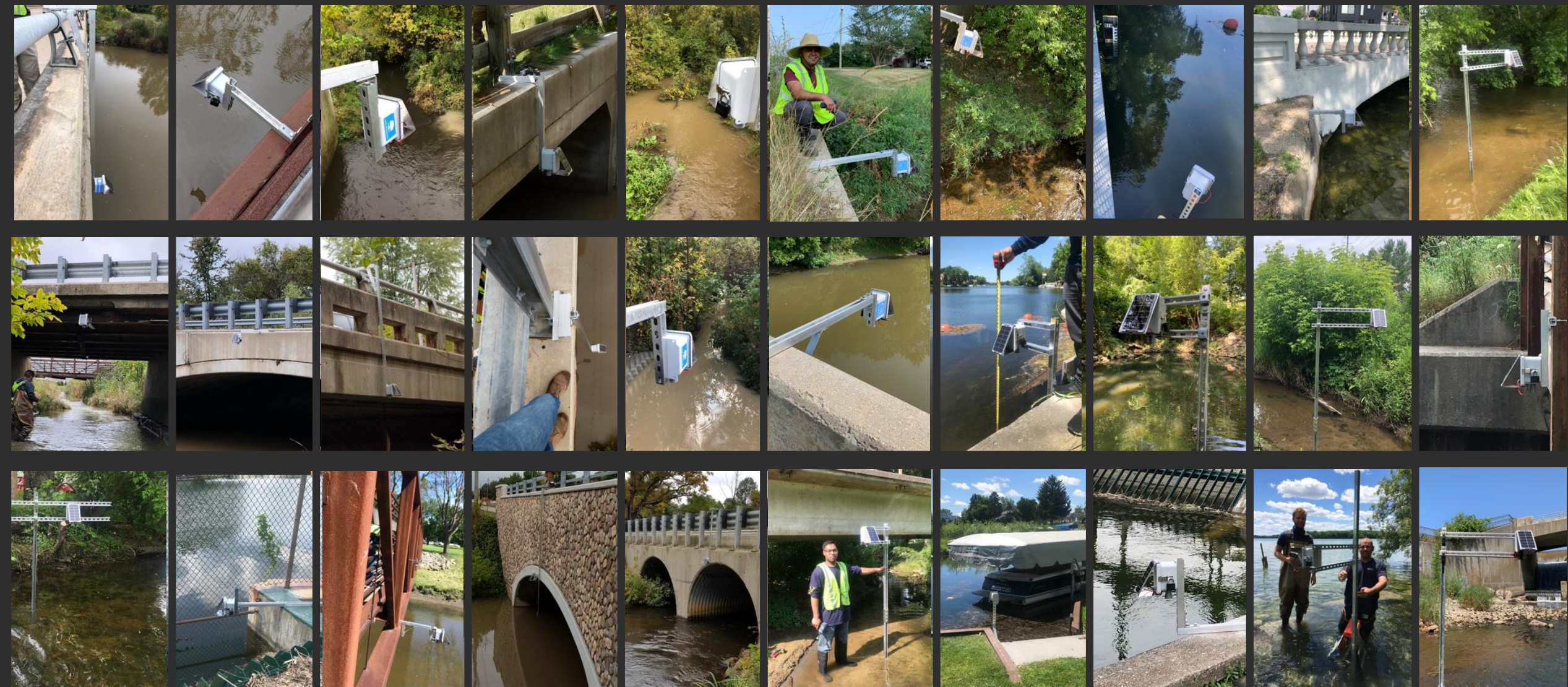


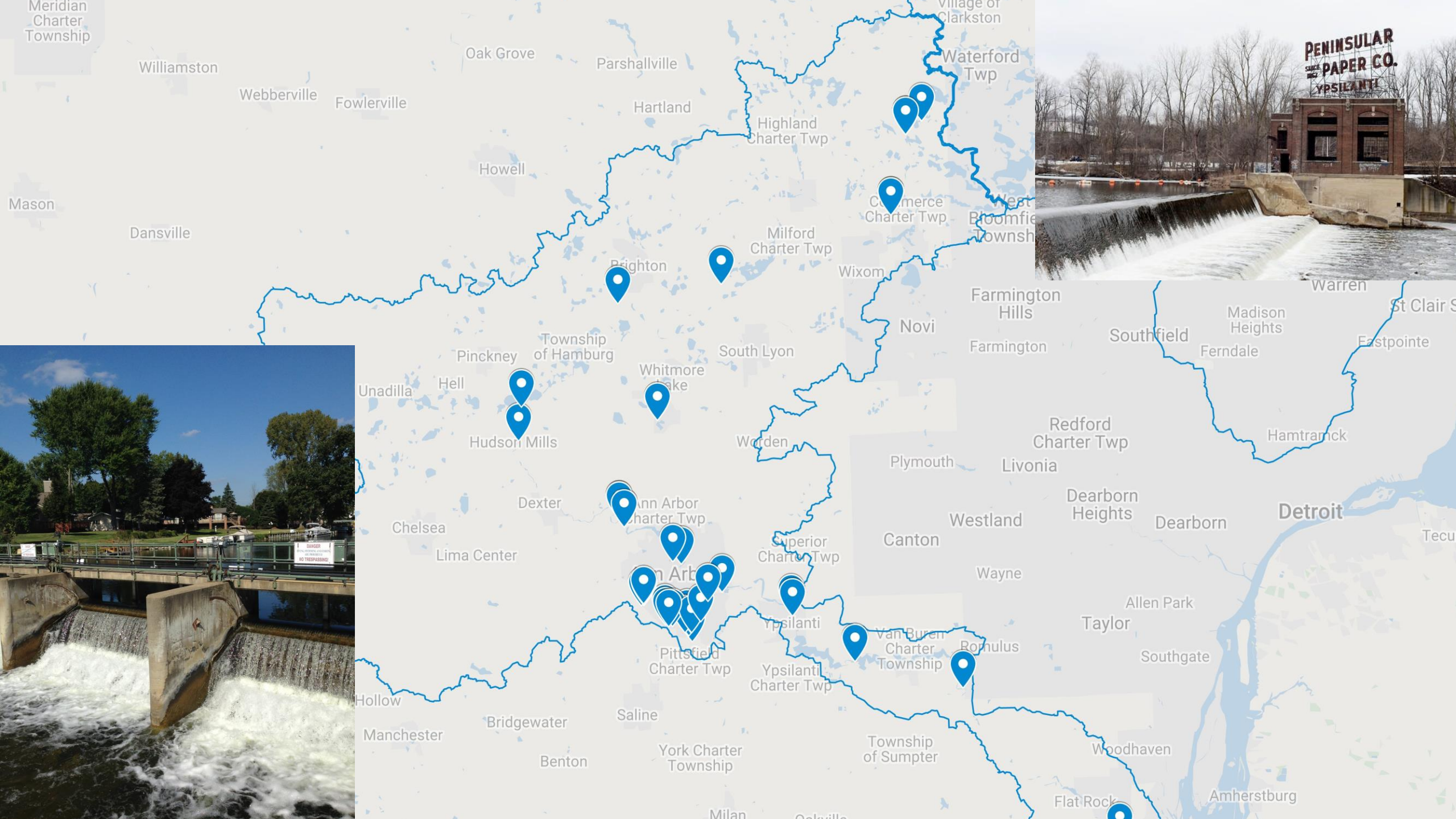


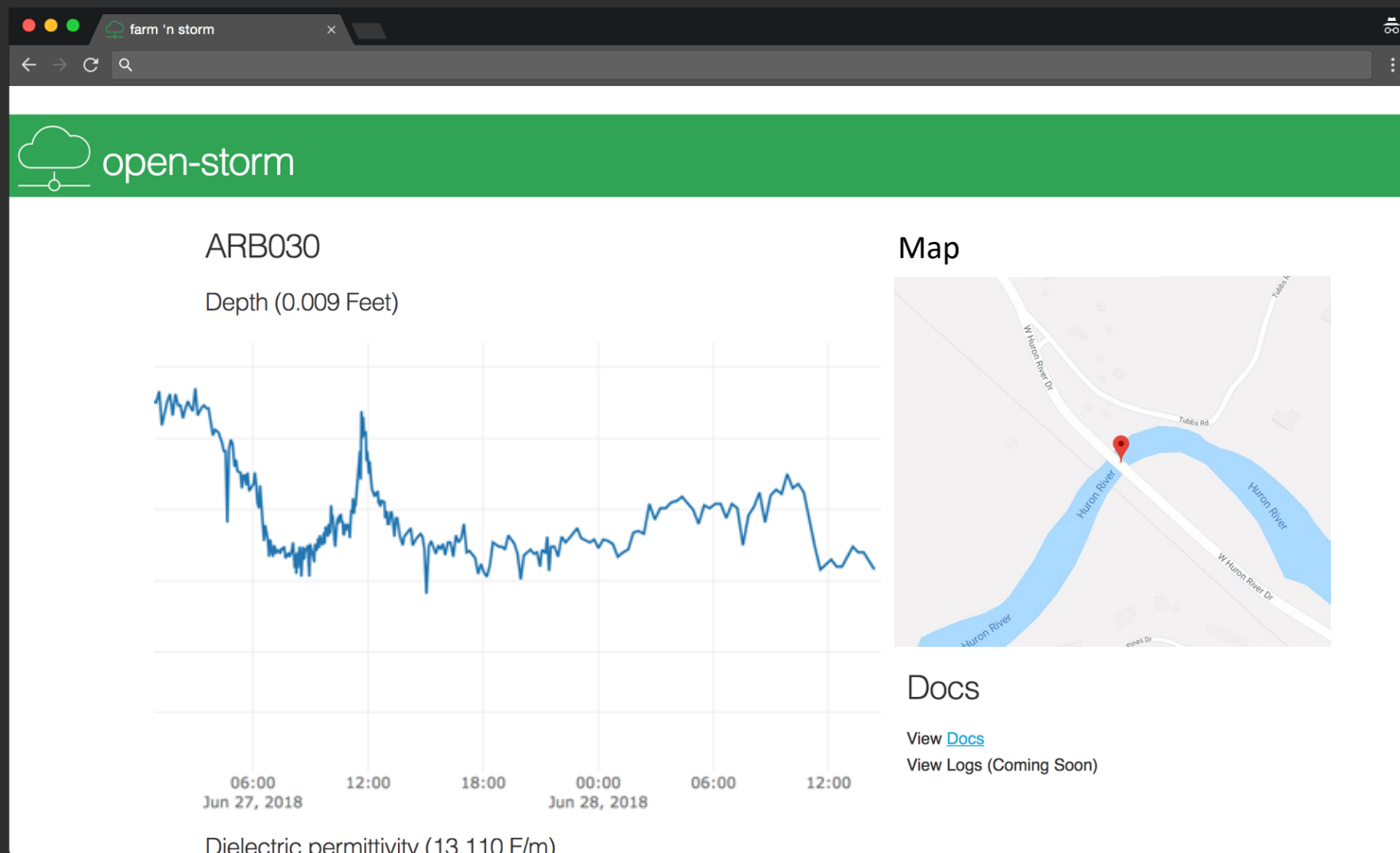


Sensors in Michigan

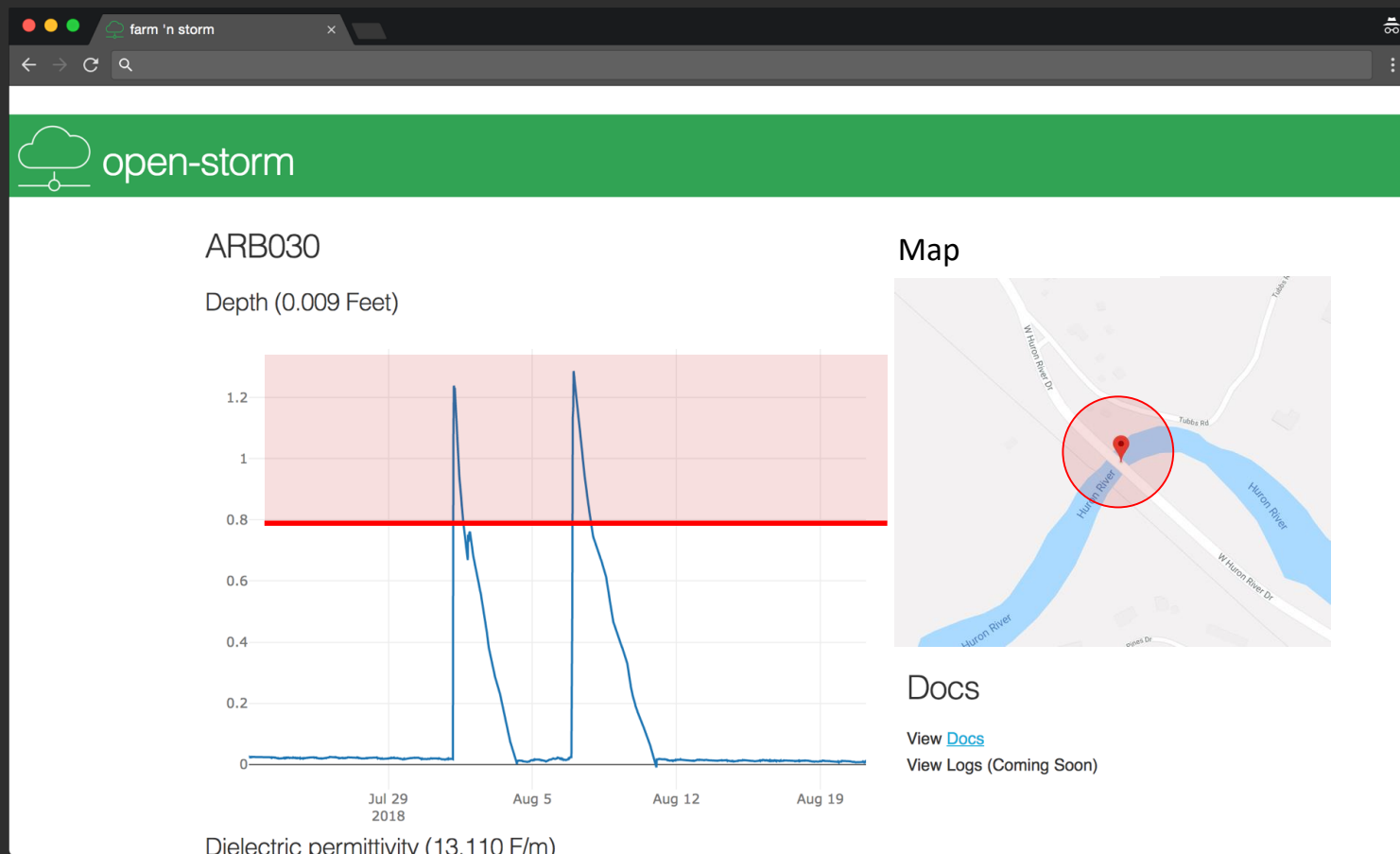




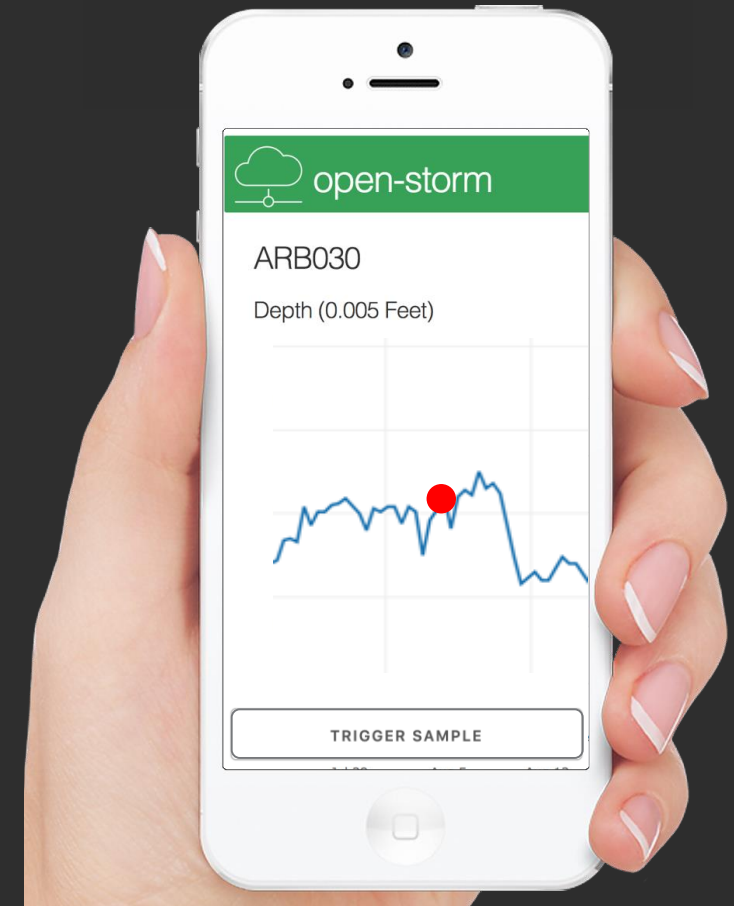
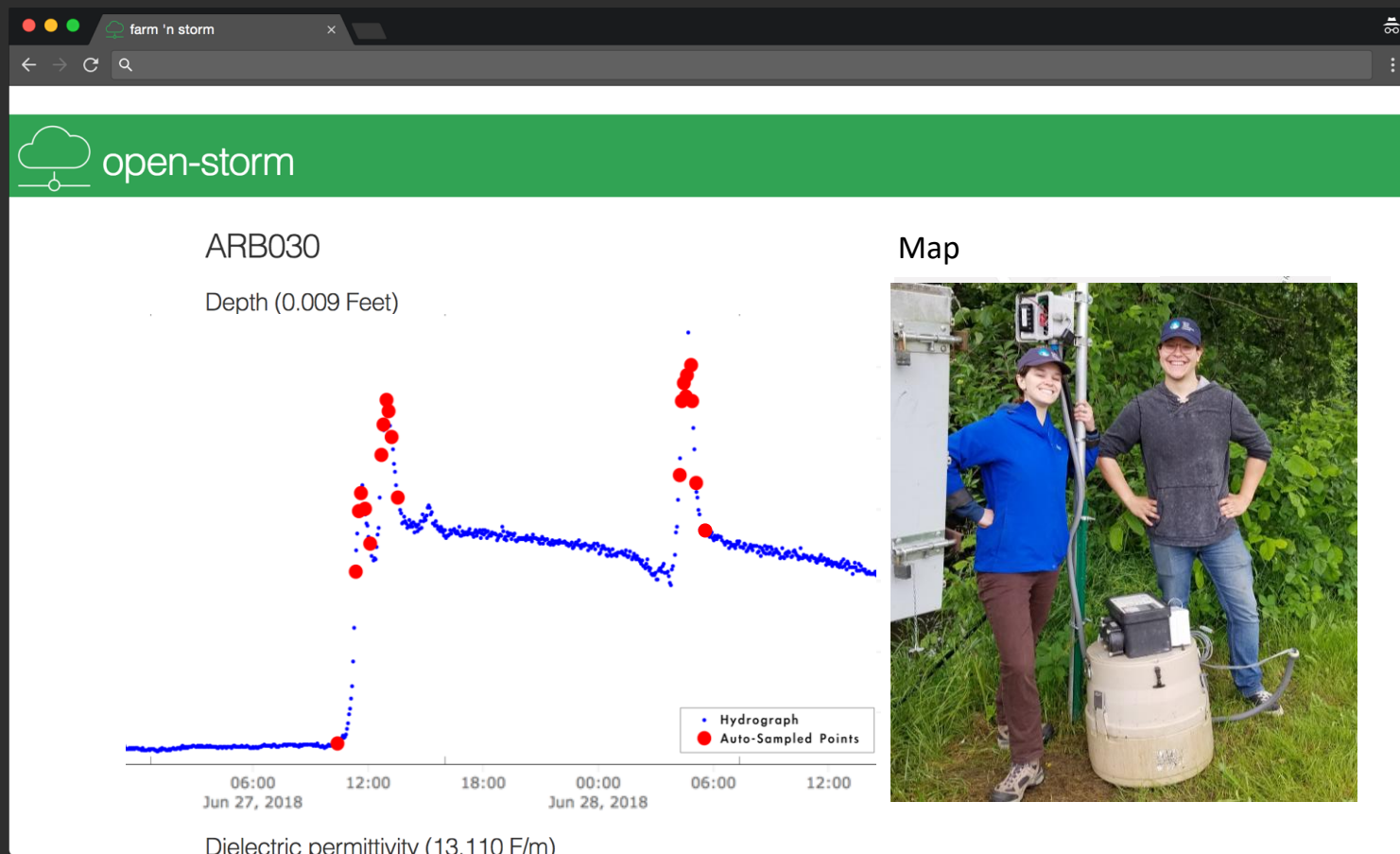




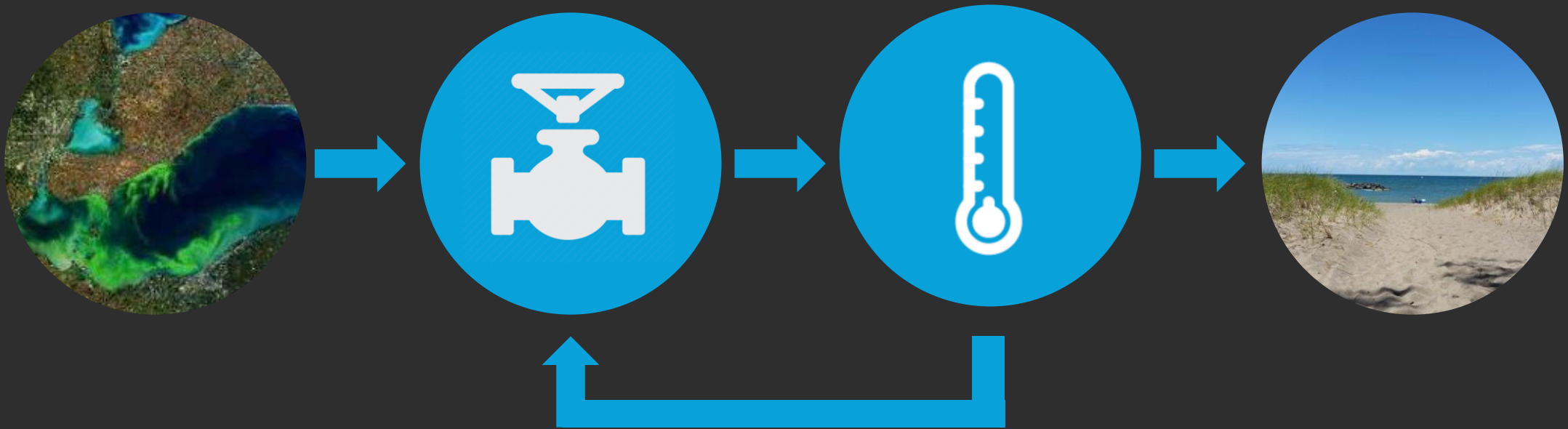
Sensors **instantly** report the water level at streams and road crossings.



If flooding is detected, an **automatic alert** is sent immediately.



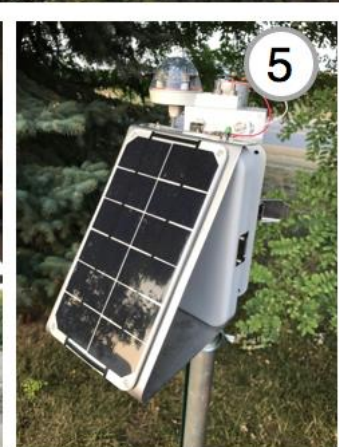
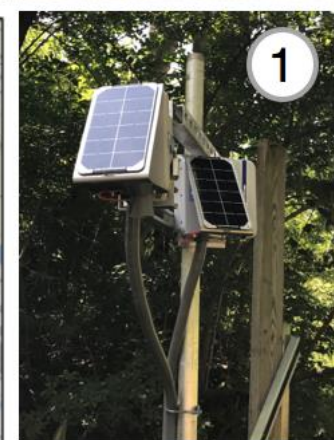
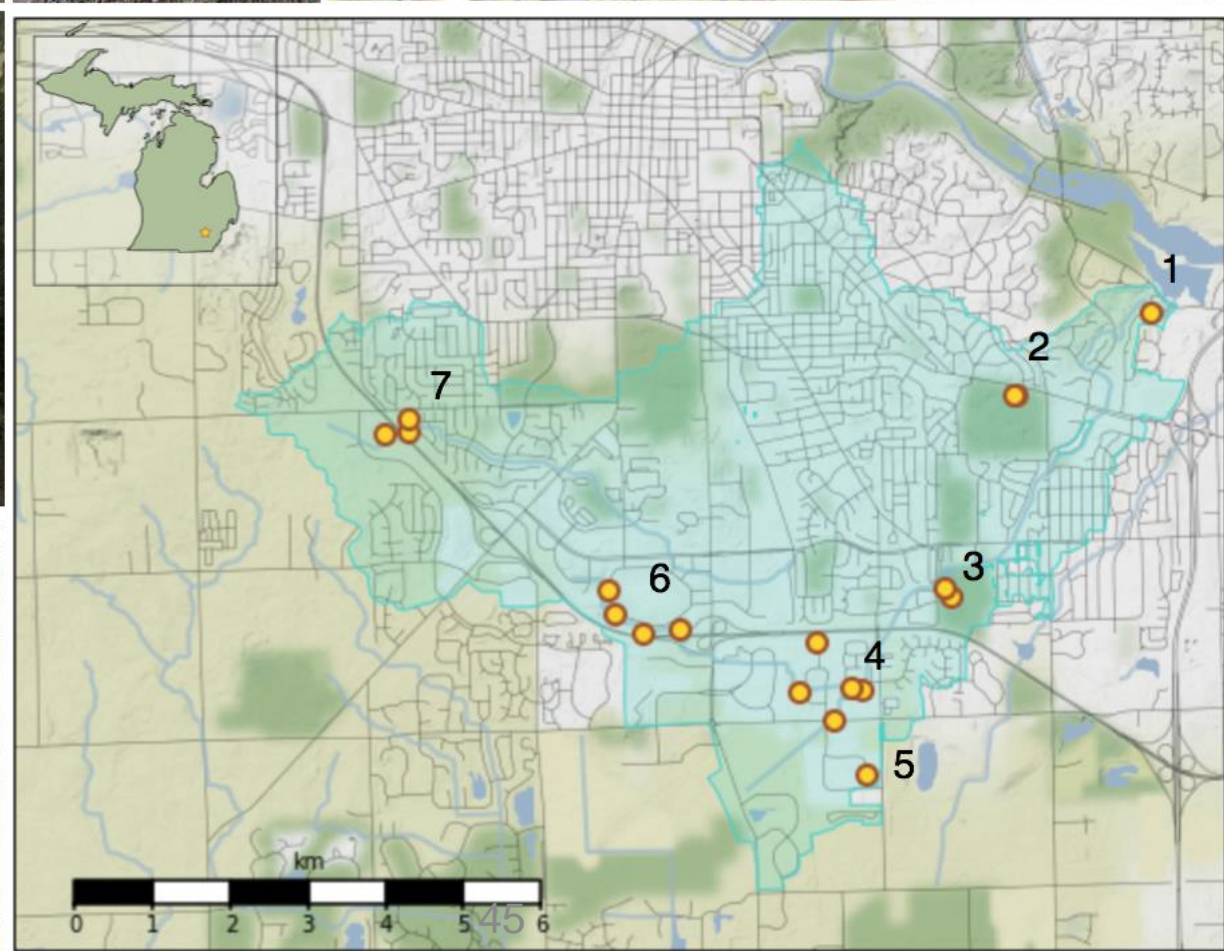
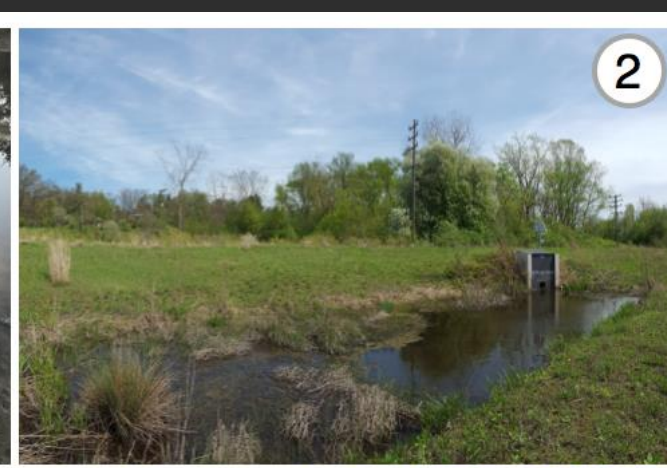
Automatically trigger remote samplers as water levels change.













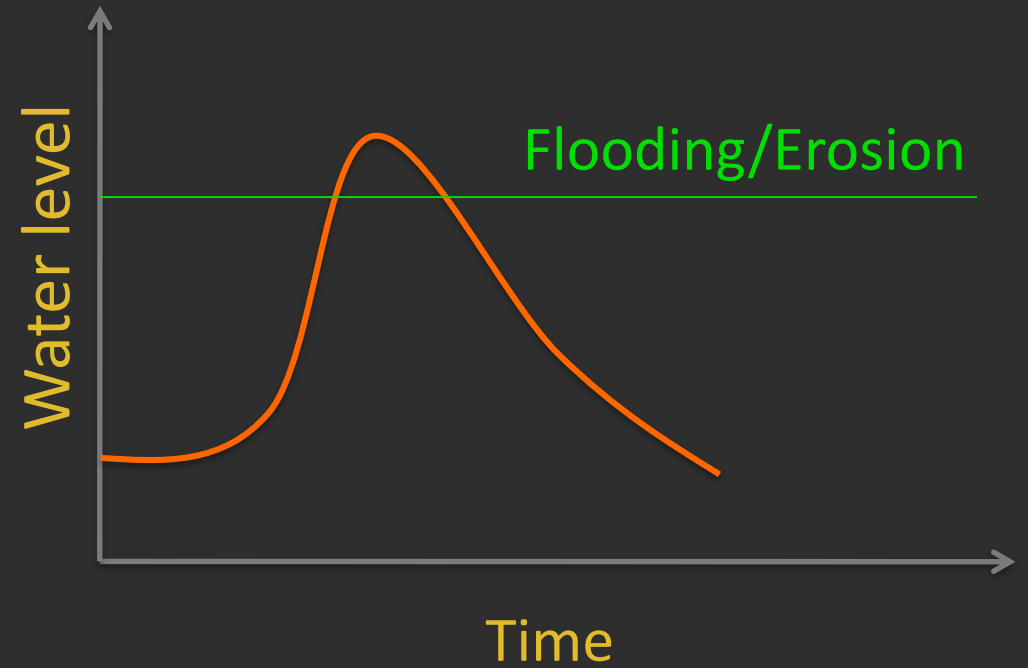
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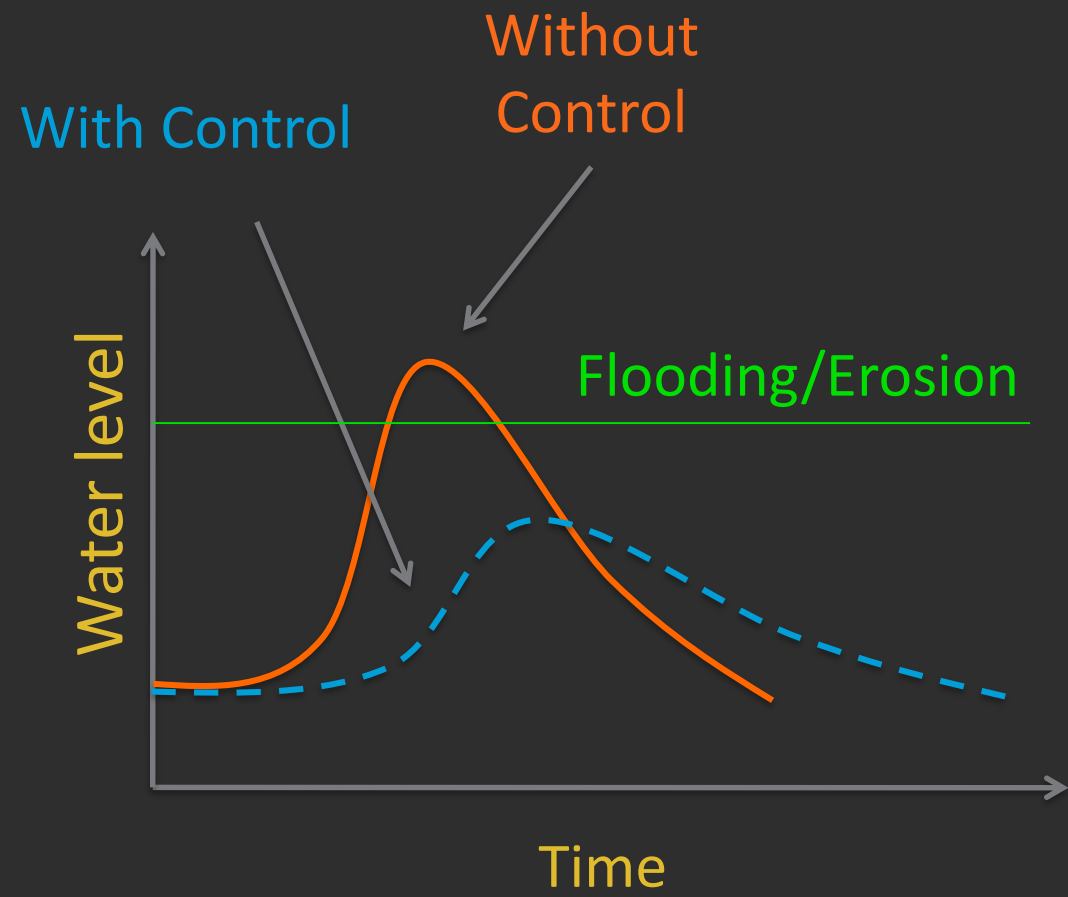
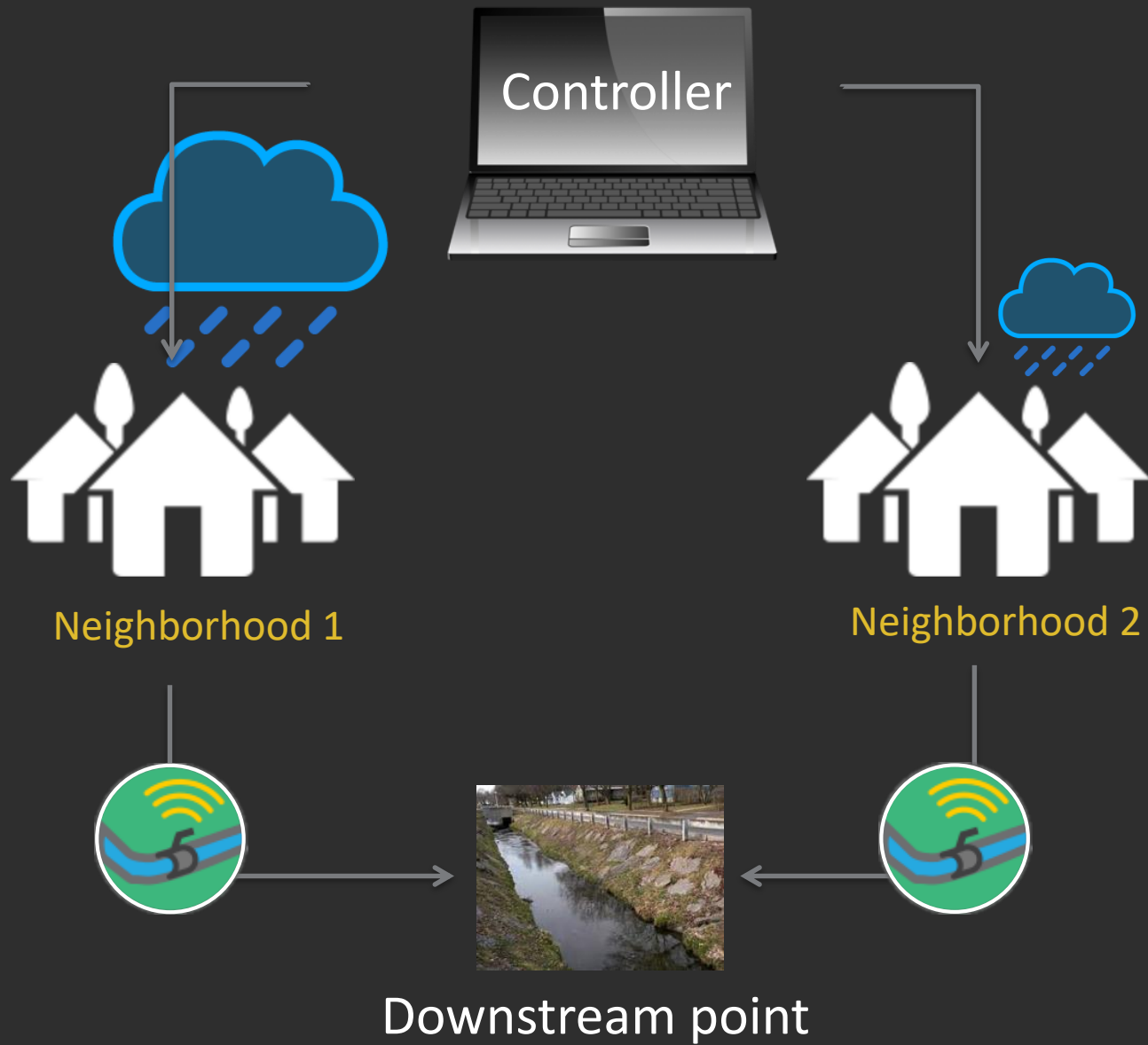


Neighborhood 2



Downstream point





50% Increase
in Capacity



- Before
- 15 Million Gallons Storage
- \$22/gal
- 600 lb/yr Total P

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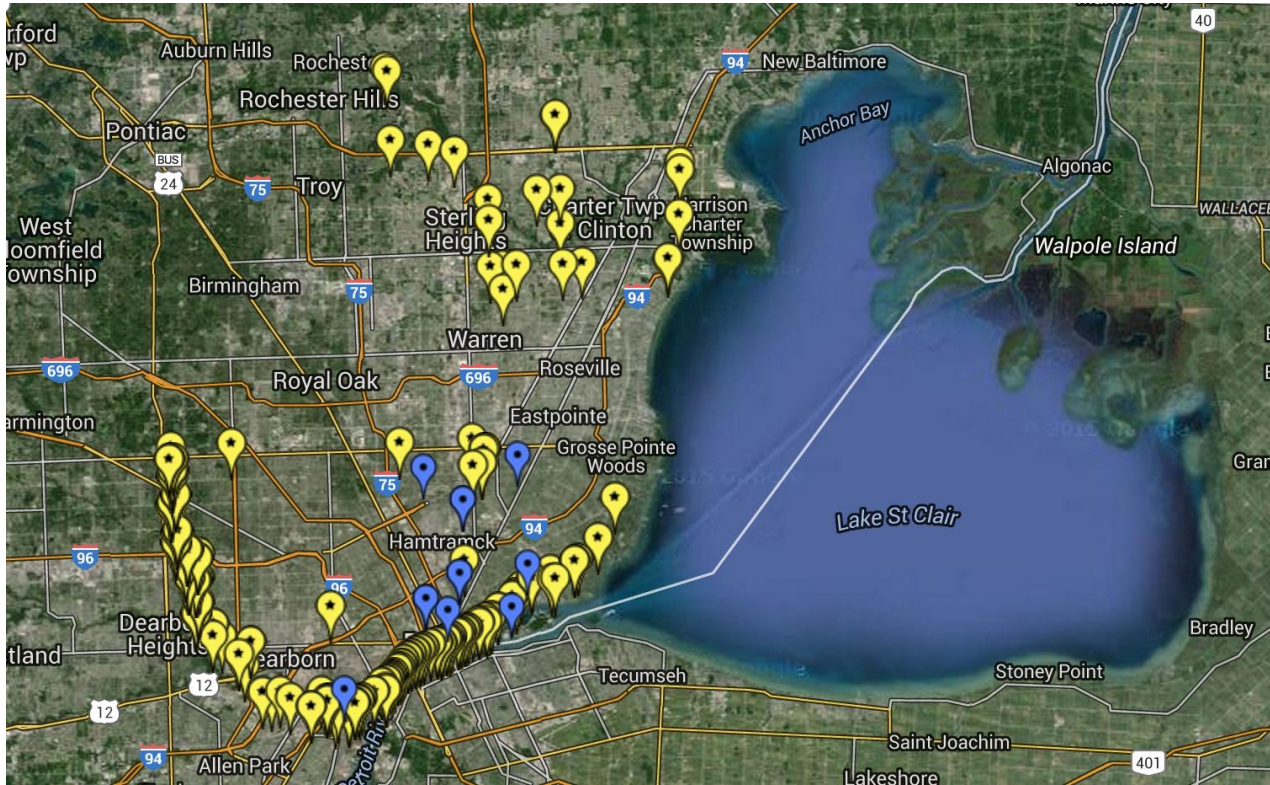
MORE +

...e to know what's happening in real time and have it precisely measured," said Harry Sheehan, deputy water resources commissioner, Washtenaw County Government.

Sheehan estimated that prior to installing Open Storm, it cost Ann Arbor **\$22 per gallon** to drain storm water. That cost has dropped to **\$16 per gallon**, roughly **saving the city \$1 million in infrastructure costs** thanks primarily to the water valve, which costs only a few thousand dollars.

- 22.5 Million Gallons
- \$16/gal
- 800 lb/yr Total P

The Opportunity



100+
Sensors



20+ Control
Points



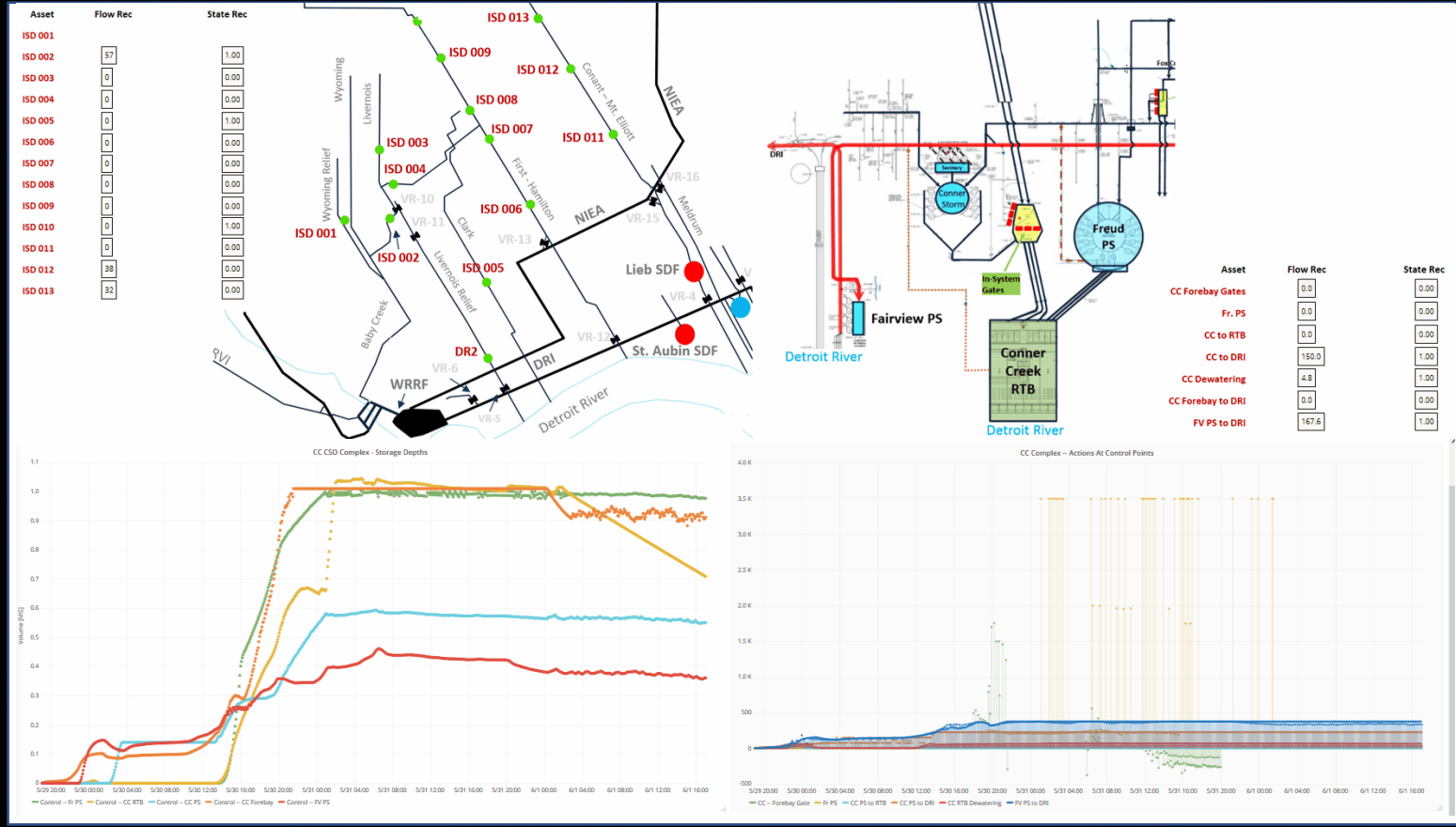




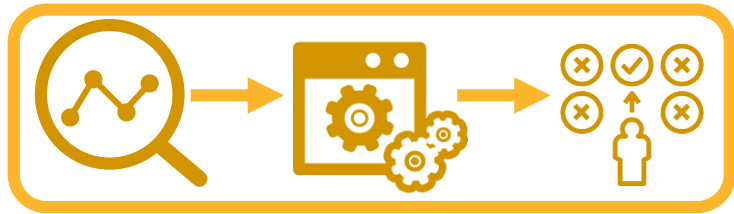








Reprogram the System



100 MG sewer
Overflow Reduction

VS

Build More



100 MG storage

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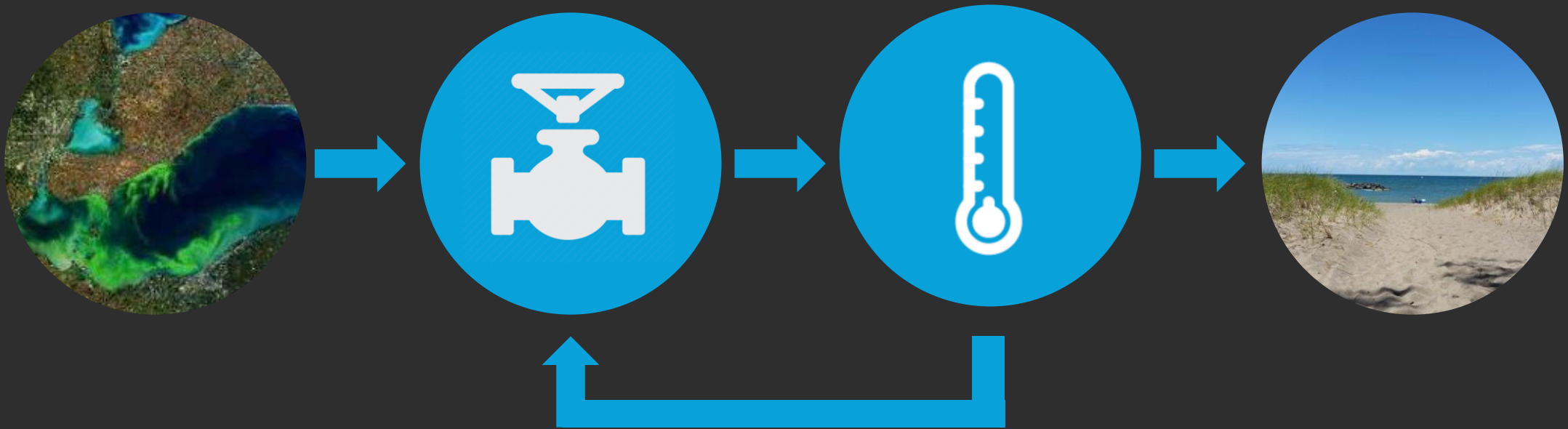


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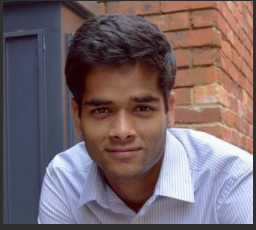
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Use of various real-time nutrient monitors for modeling and load estimation

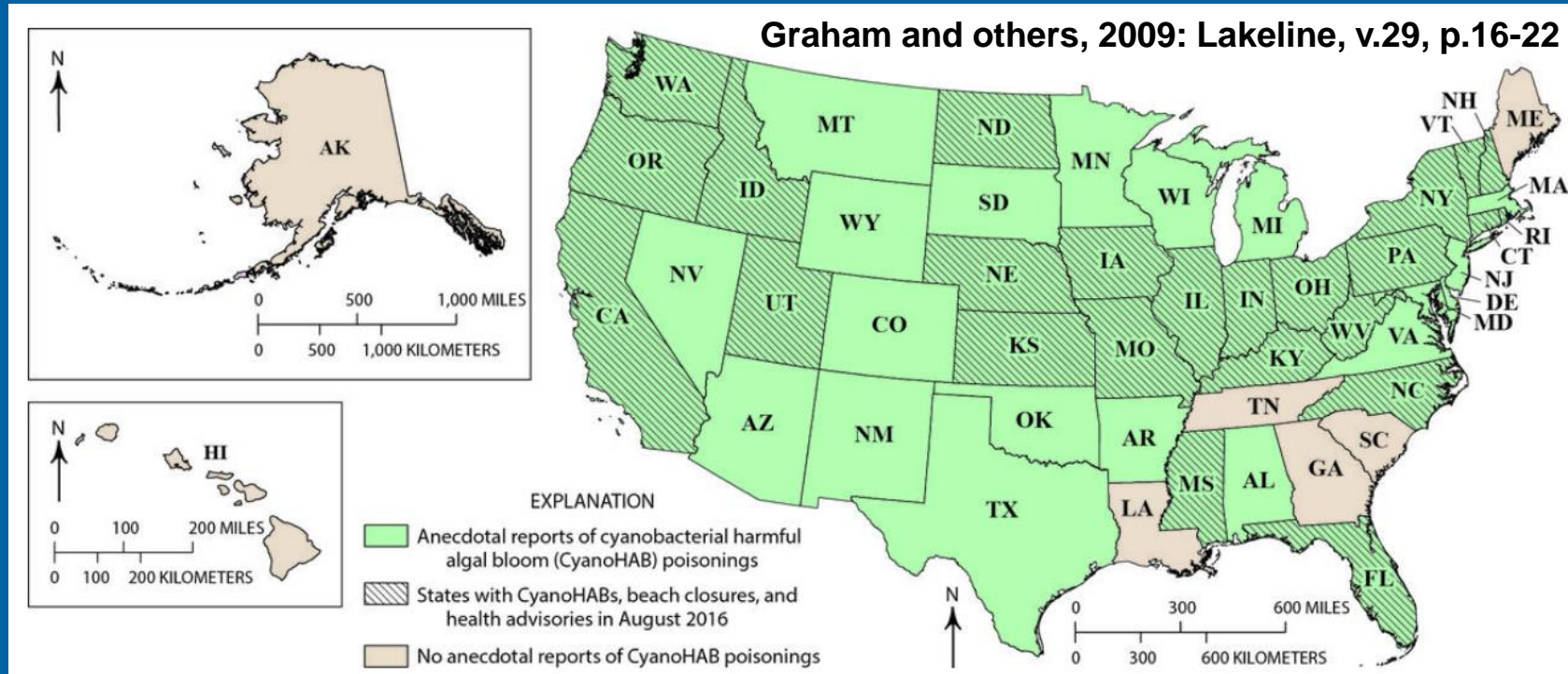


Talk Outline

- **Nutrient enrichment is a key factor in cyanoHABs occurrence**
 - Importance of continuous nutrient monitoring
 - Nutrient sensor technology
- **Developing continuous nutrient surrogate models**
- **Identifying nutrient “hotspots”**
 - Assessing nutrient loads

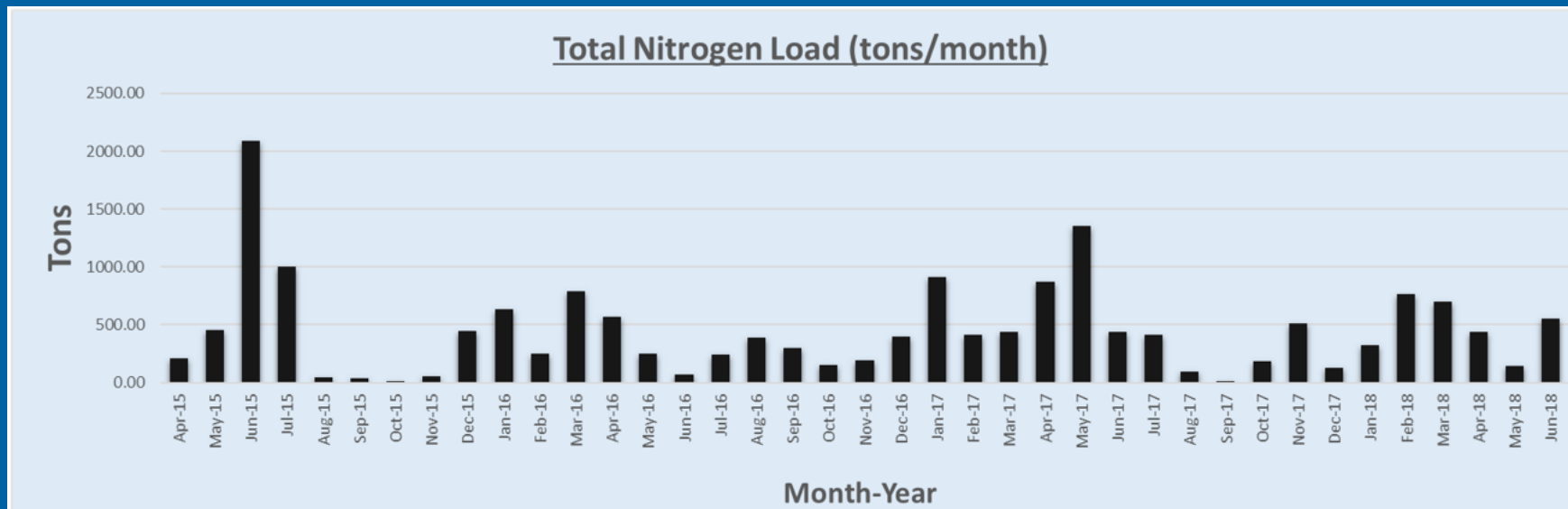
CyanoHABs are increasingly a national concern

- Threaten human and aquatic ecosystem health
- Cause major economic damage



Challenges to understanding cyanoHABs

- Changes in climate
 - Warmer temperatures
- Changes in nutrient loads
(nitrogen and phosphorus)



Why monitor nutrients continuously?

- 24/7 data collection
- Wide range of constituents with direct or surrogate measurements
- Captures all events
- Optimizes the collection of discrete samples

Applications

- Early warning for drinking water and wastewater
- Load assessment
- Source identification
- Event detection
- Real-time decision support
- ...

Relating continuous sensor data to nutrients

Directly measured	Computed or estimated
Nitrate plus nitrite	Total nitrogen
Orthophosphate	Total phosphorus
Turbidity	Total nitrogen Total phosphorus Suspended sediment
Specific conductance	Nitrate plus nitrite

There are multiple types of nutrient sensors

Nitrate plus nitrite (optical)



Orthophosphate (wet chemistry)



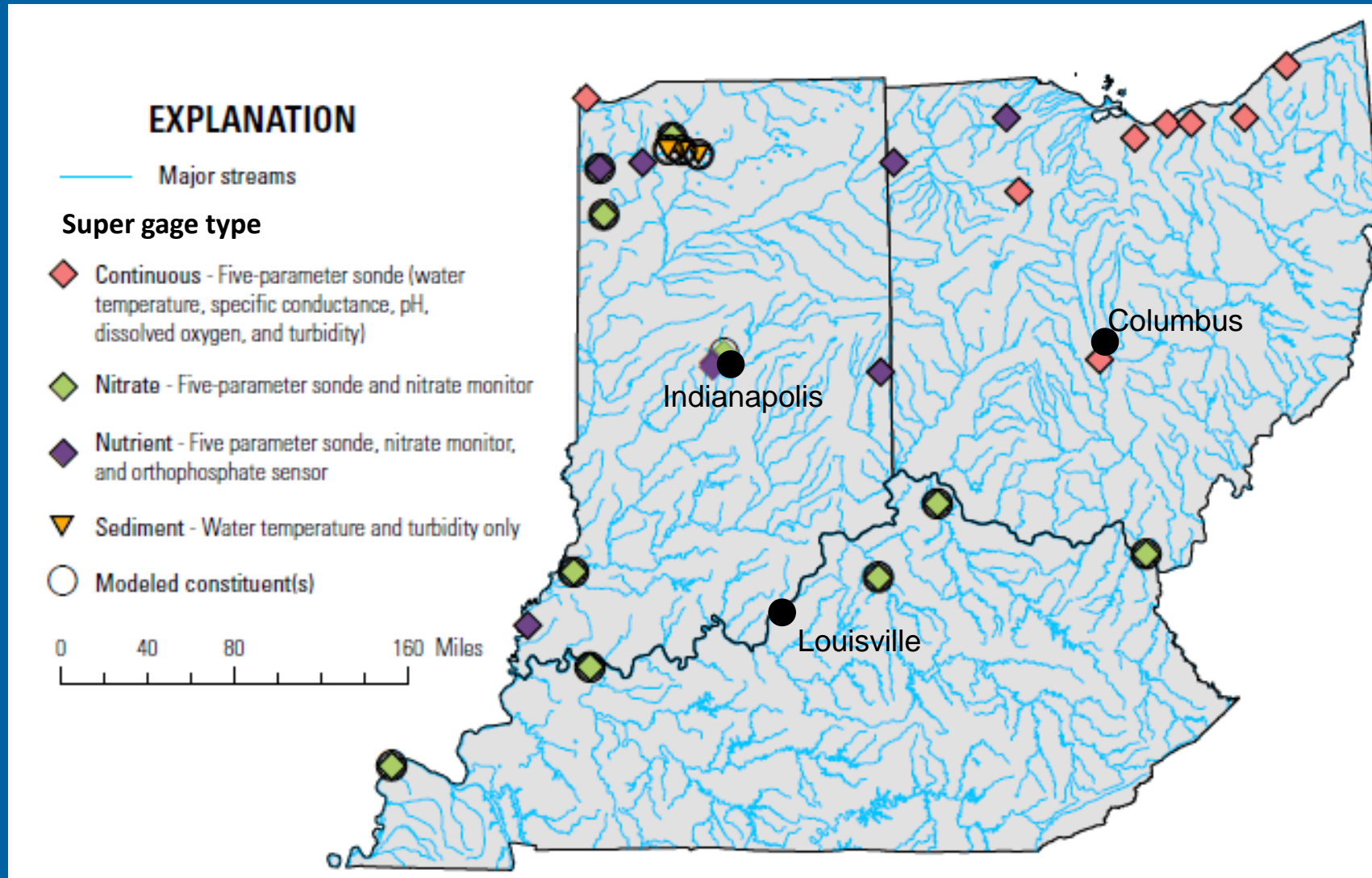
Ion-selective electrode



Advantages and Disadvantages

Type	Principle	Advantages	Disadvantages
Optical (UV) sensors	Spectral absorption by a photometer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *High resolution, accuracy, precision *Chemical free *Fast response time 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Expensive (>\$20,000) *High power requirement *Only available for nitrate
Wet-chemical sensors	Wet chemical colorimetric reaction with detection by photometry	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *High resolution, accuracy, precision *Relatively fast response time *Available for NH₄, NO₃, and phosphate 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Expensive (>\$20,000) *High power requirement *Requires reagents (generates waste) *Freezing lines in cold temperatures
Ion-selective electrodes (ISE)	Direct potentiometry between sensing electrode and reference electrode	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Inexpensive (<\$1,500) *Easy to use *Fast response time *Not influenced by color or turbidity 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> *Low resolution, accuracy, and precision *High instrument drift *Limited shelf life *Technique sensitive calibration

OKI super gage sites (fixed position)



Successful Operation of a Super Gage

4 Components

- **Streamflow**
- **Continuous monitoring:** multiparameter water-quality sonde; nitrate monitor; orthophosphate analyzer
- **Discrete sampling:** e.g. nutrients, sediment, microcystin
- **Surrogate regression modeling**



Ohio River at Ironton, OH
(cyanoHAB bloom)

Super Gages monitor continuously



Orthophosphate analyzer



Nitrate plus nitrite monitor



Water-quality sonde

Satellite telemetry, GPS, and solar panel

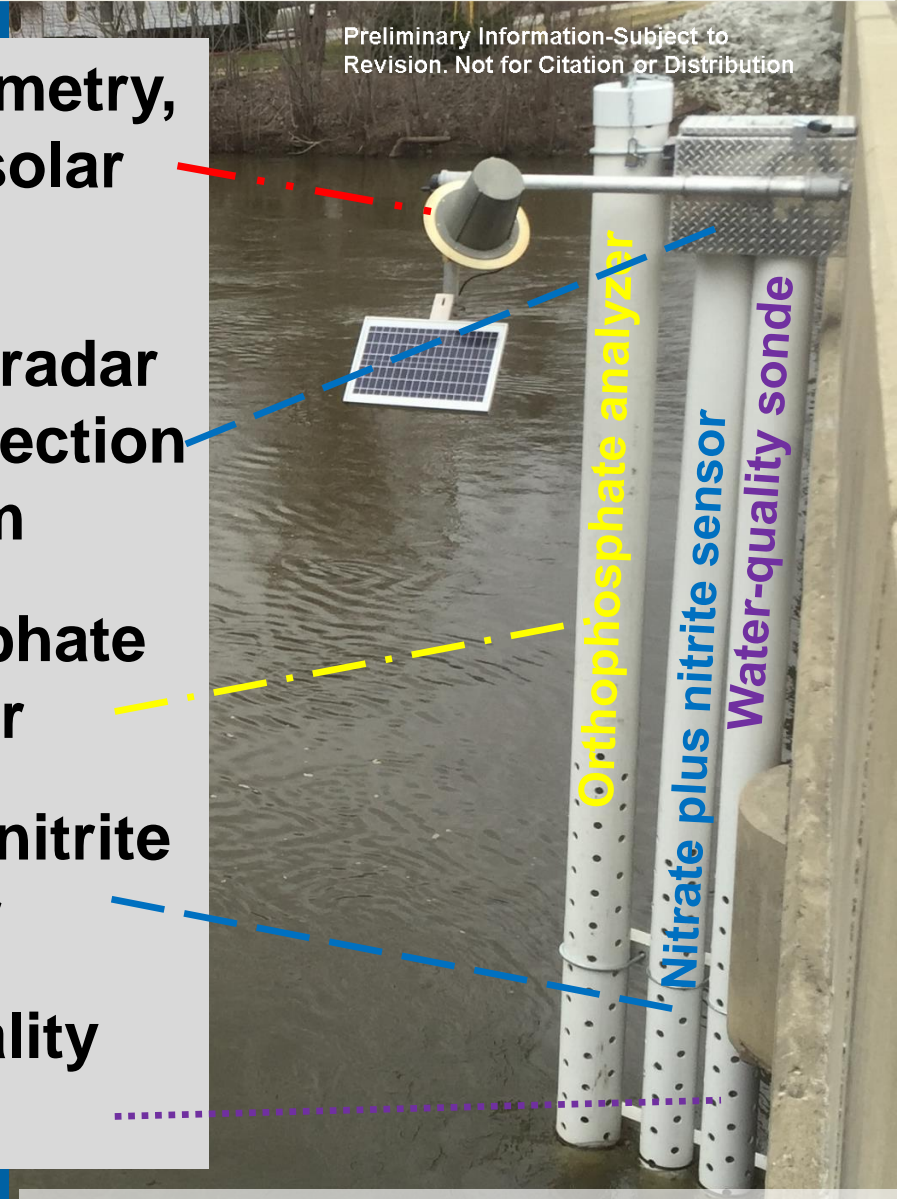
Streamflow radar and data collection platform

Orthophosphate analyzer

Nitrate plus nitrite sensor

Water-quality sonde

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Data are publicly available at www.USGS.gov

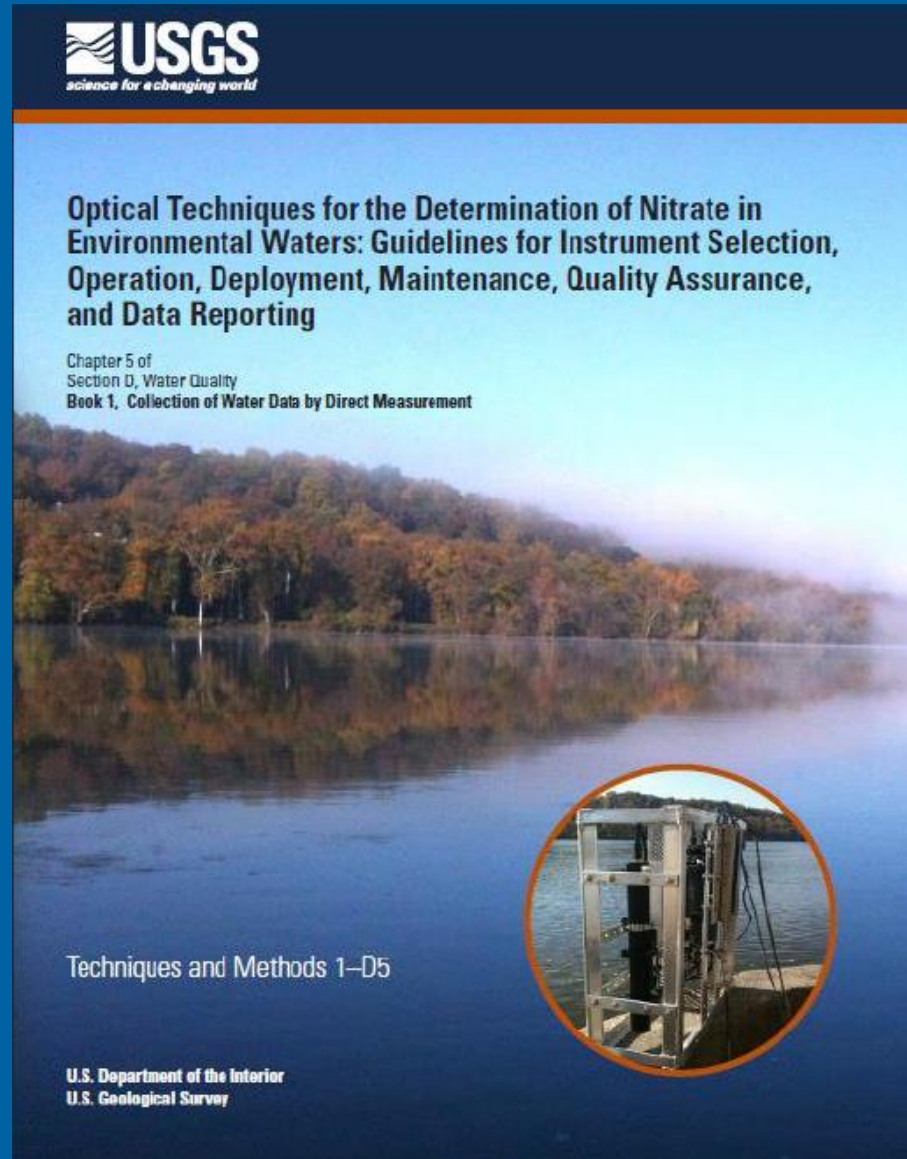
Kankakee River, Shelby, IN

Super Gages are adapted to the site



Approved Guidelines and Protocols

- Guidelines for use in a variety of environments



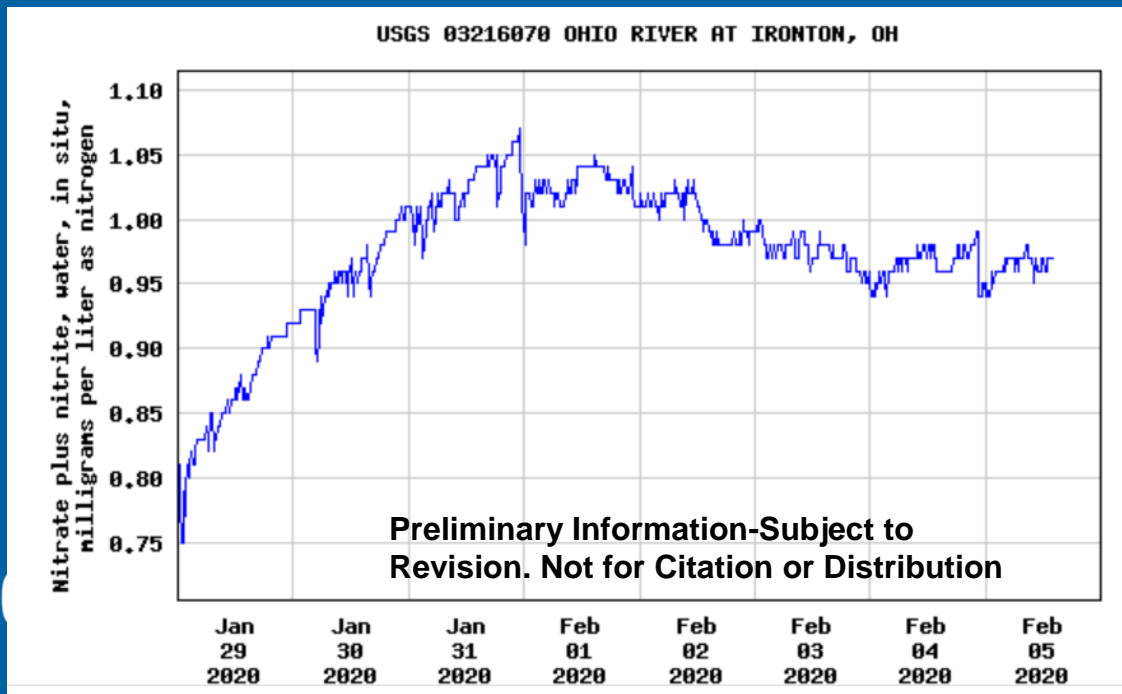
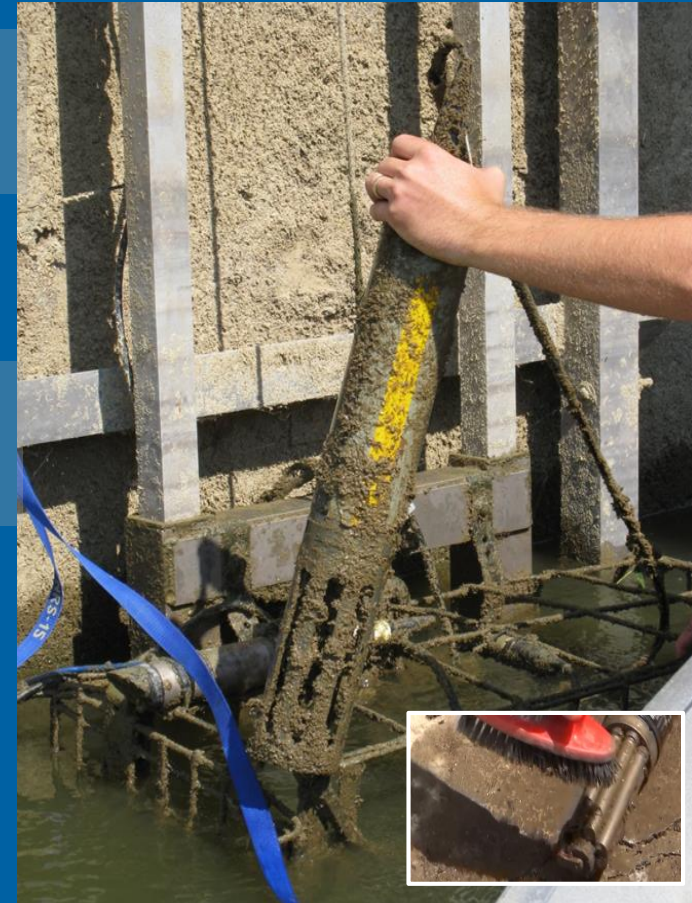
Site Operation and Maintenance Visits

Clean and recalibrate the monitor (20+ visits/yr)

- Once every 2-4 weeks

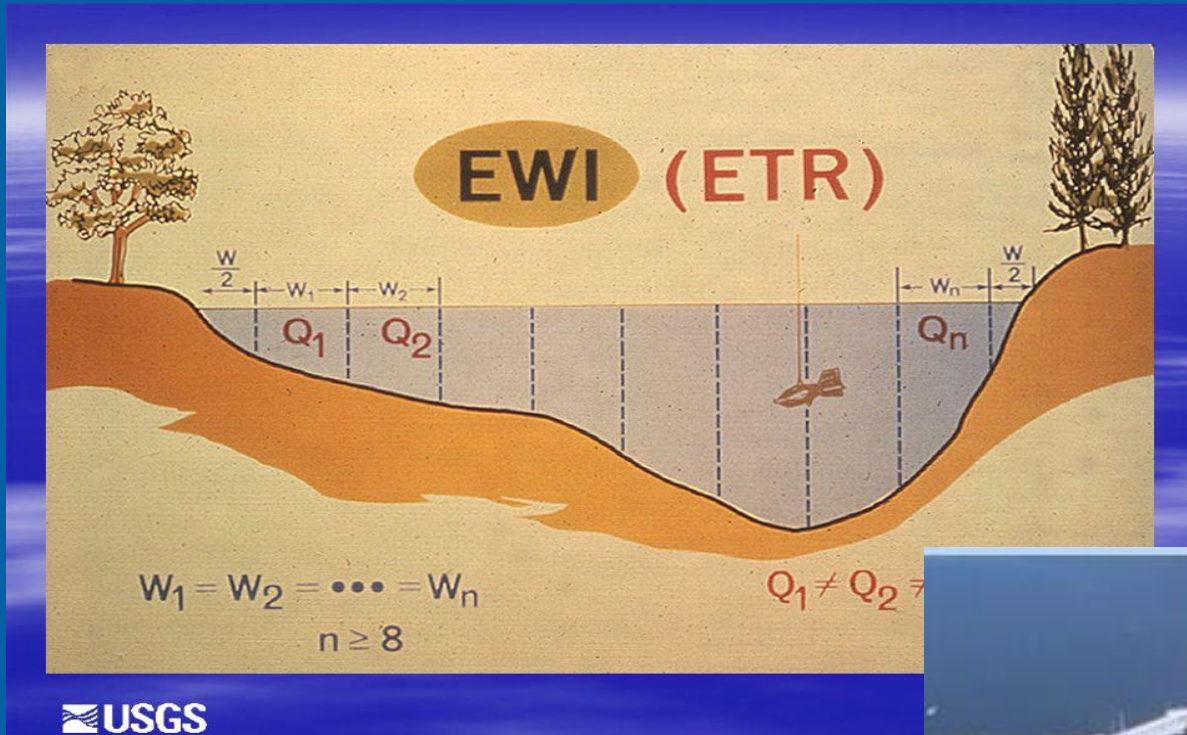
Daily online data checks of the monitor,
troubleshoot as necessary

Internal review and approval of all data prior to
publication



Wagner and others, 2006, **Guidelines and standard procedures for continuous water-quality monitors;** U.S. Geological Survey Techniques and Methods 1-D3

Collecting Representative Water Samples



Collecting Representative Water Samples



**Kankakee River,
Davis, IN**

U.S. Geological Survey, variously dated,
National field manual for the collection
of water-quality data: USGS Techniques
of Water-Resources, book 9



St. Mary's River, Ft. Wayne, IN

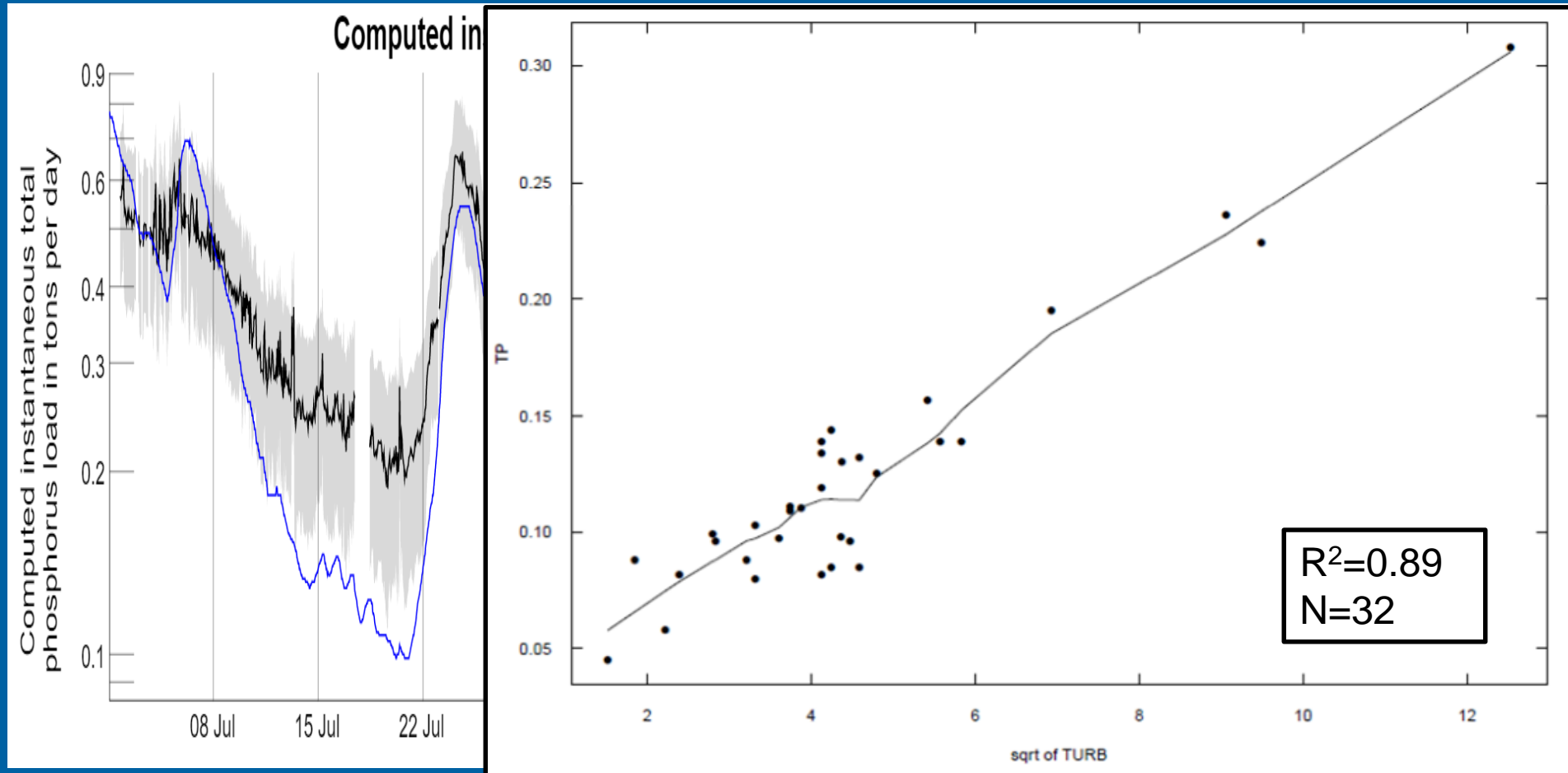


**Wabash River
New Harmony, IN**



Developing Continuous Surrogate Models

Total Phosphorus – Kankakee River at Shelby, Indiana



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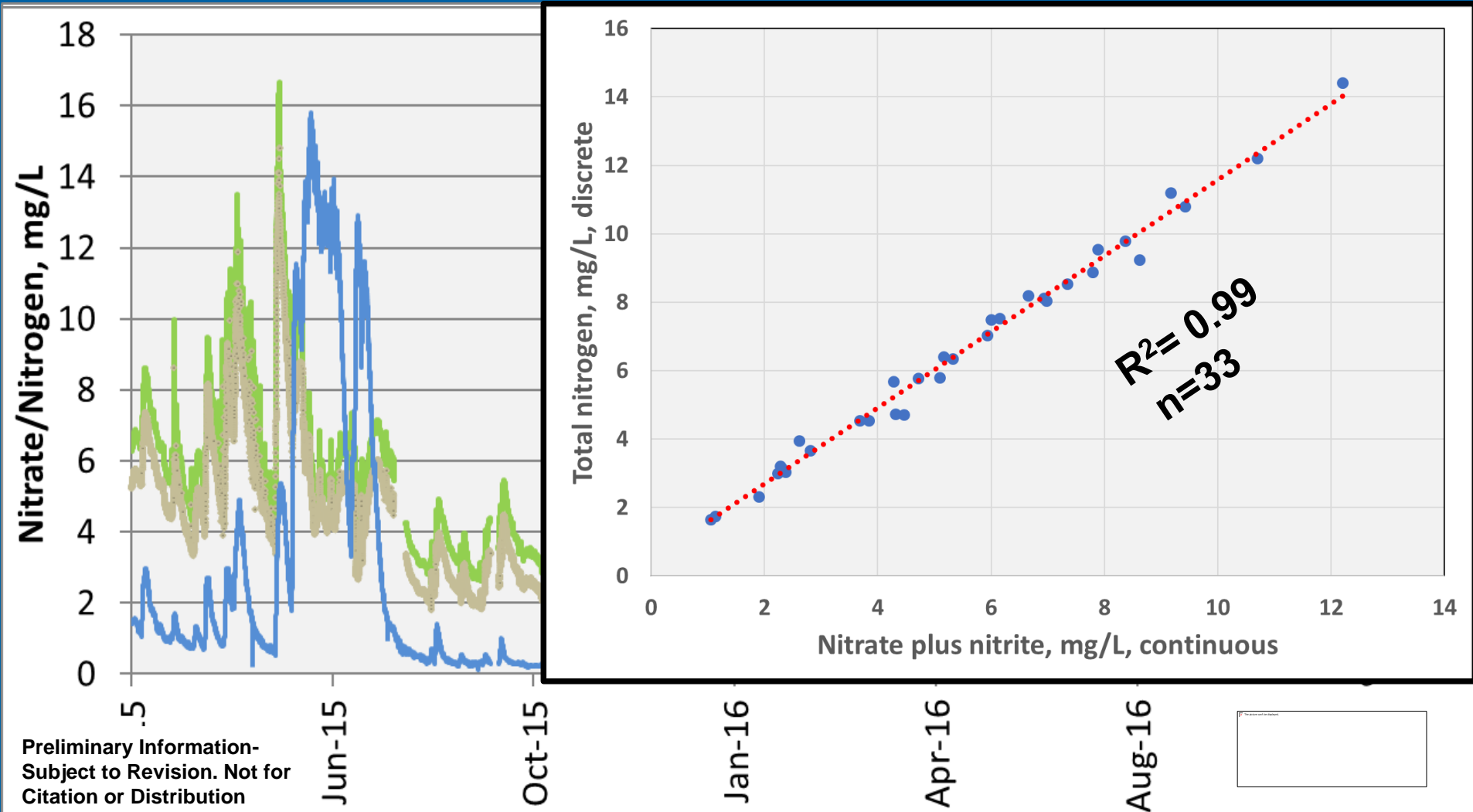


$$\text{TP concentration} = (0.02255 \times \text{sqrtTURB}) + 0.02047$$

$$\text{Load TP} = \text{TP} * \text{streamflow}(\text{site}) * \text{constant for conversion of units}$$

Developing Continuous Surrogate Models

Total Nitrogen - Iroquois River near Foresman, IN



$$\text{Log}_{10}\text{TN} = (0.83 \times \text{log}_{10}\text{NOx}) + (0.03 \times \text{log}_{10}\text{Q}) + 0.09$$

$$\text{Load TN} = \text{TN} * \text{streamflow}(\text{site}) * \text{constant for conversion of units}$$

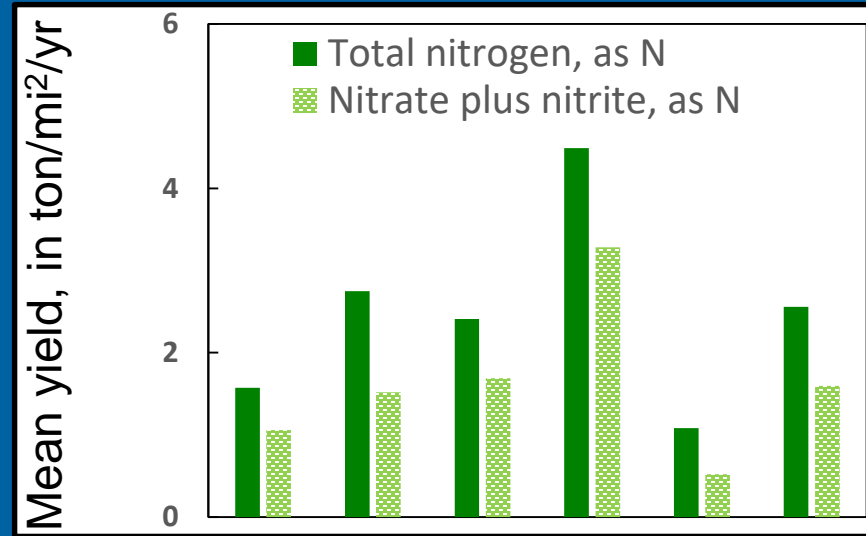
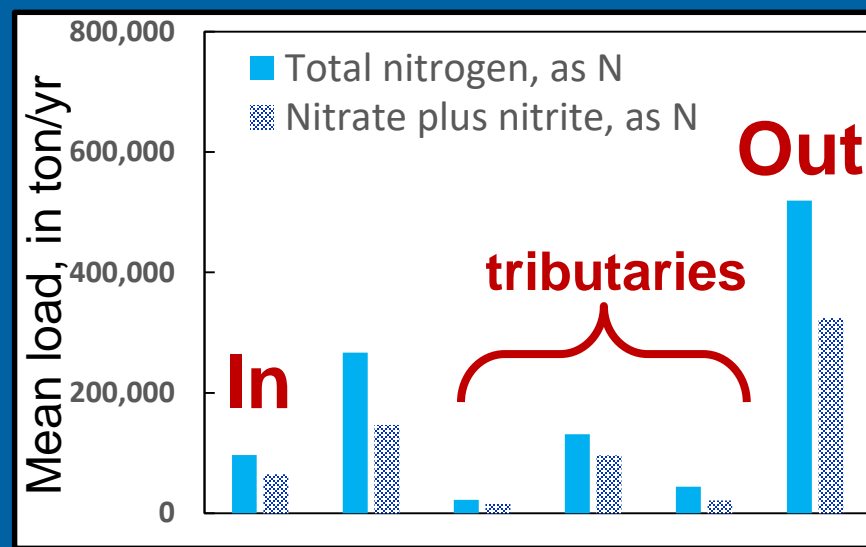
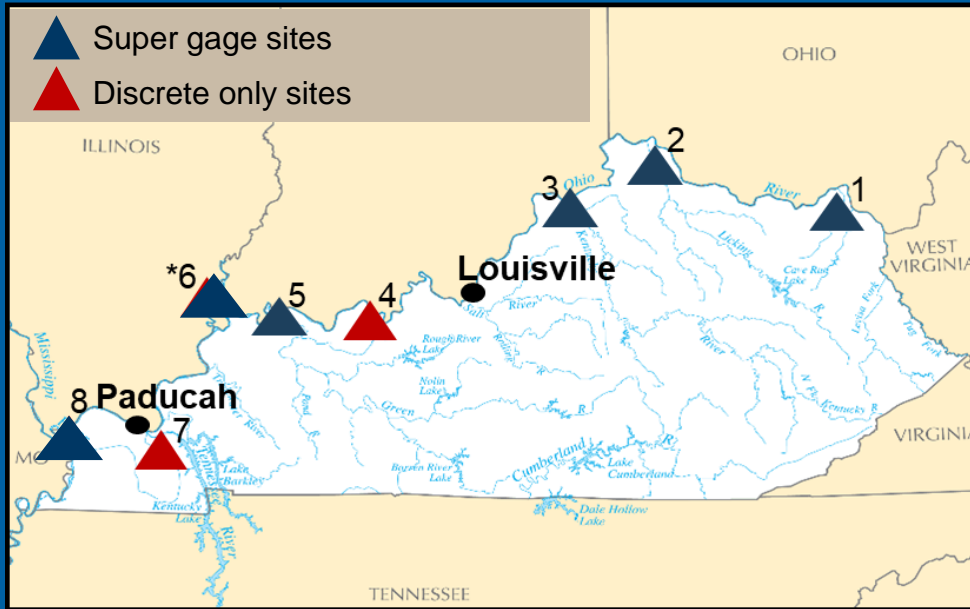
Why do surrogates work?

- There is a physical relation between the measured sensor value and the constituent of interest
 - Nitrate plus nitrite relates directly with total nitrogen
 - Orthophosphate relates directly with total phosphorus
 - Sediment directly causes turbidity
- In other cases, there is an association between the constituent of interest and the in-situ measurement
 - Phosphorus is associated with sediment (turbidity)
- Cost-effective tool

Assessing loads using continuous nutrient monitoring

- May prove important for assessing and managing nutrient loads delivered to rivers and across land-water interface (e.g. edge-of-field)
- Continuous monitoring data can improve accuracy and reduces uncertainty of load estimates
- May help guide implementation and evaluation of BMPs (edge-of-field to watershed scale)

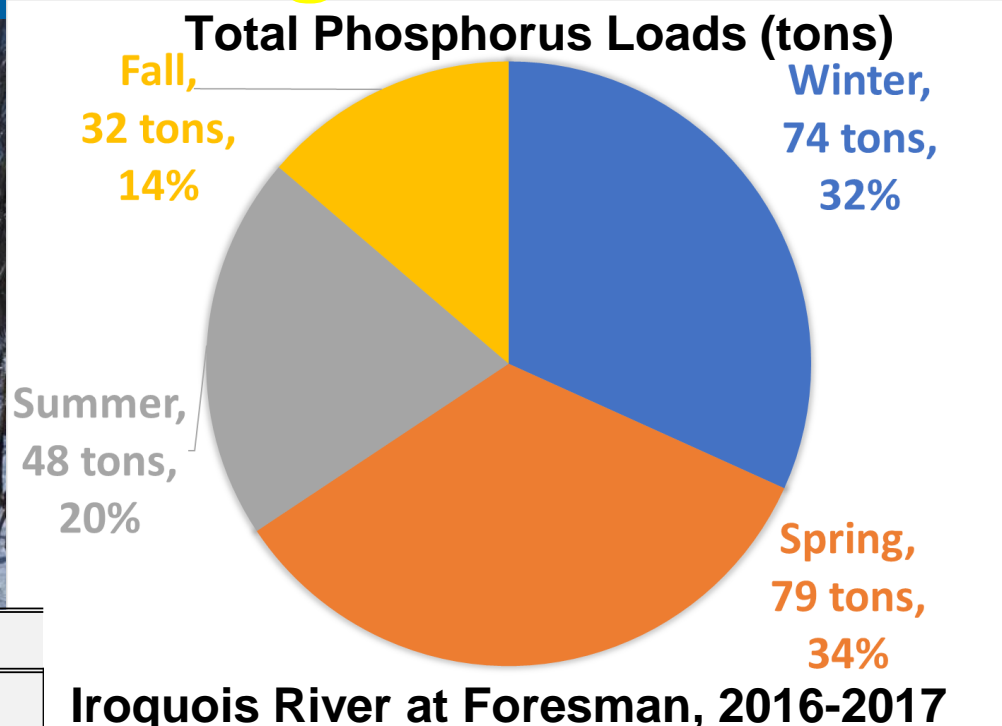
Super gage network: Total nitrogen in the Ohio River and tribs, 2014-17



OHR_Ironton
 OHR_Cannelton
 Green River
 Wabash River
 Tennessee River
 OHR_Olmsted



Continuous monitoring allows us to show seasonal loading differences



Annual Load/Yield		
	Load (tons)	Yield (lbs/acre)
Apr-Dec 2015	148	-----
2016	104	0.72
2017	128	0.89
Jan-Jun 2018	97	-----

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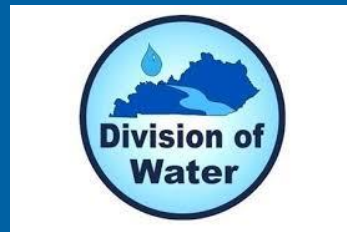
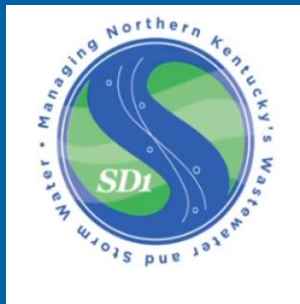
Future efforts for Super Gages

- Improving surrogate capabilities
 - cyanoHABs
- Creating additional continuous monitoring opportunities
- Working across borders/agencies/land uses
- Public awareness



Kentucky River

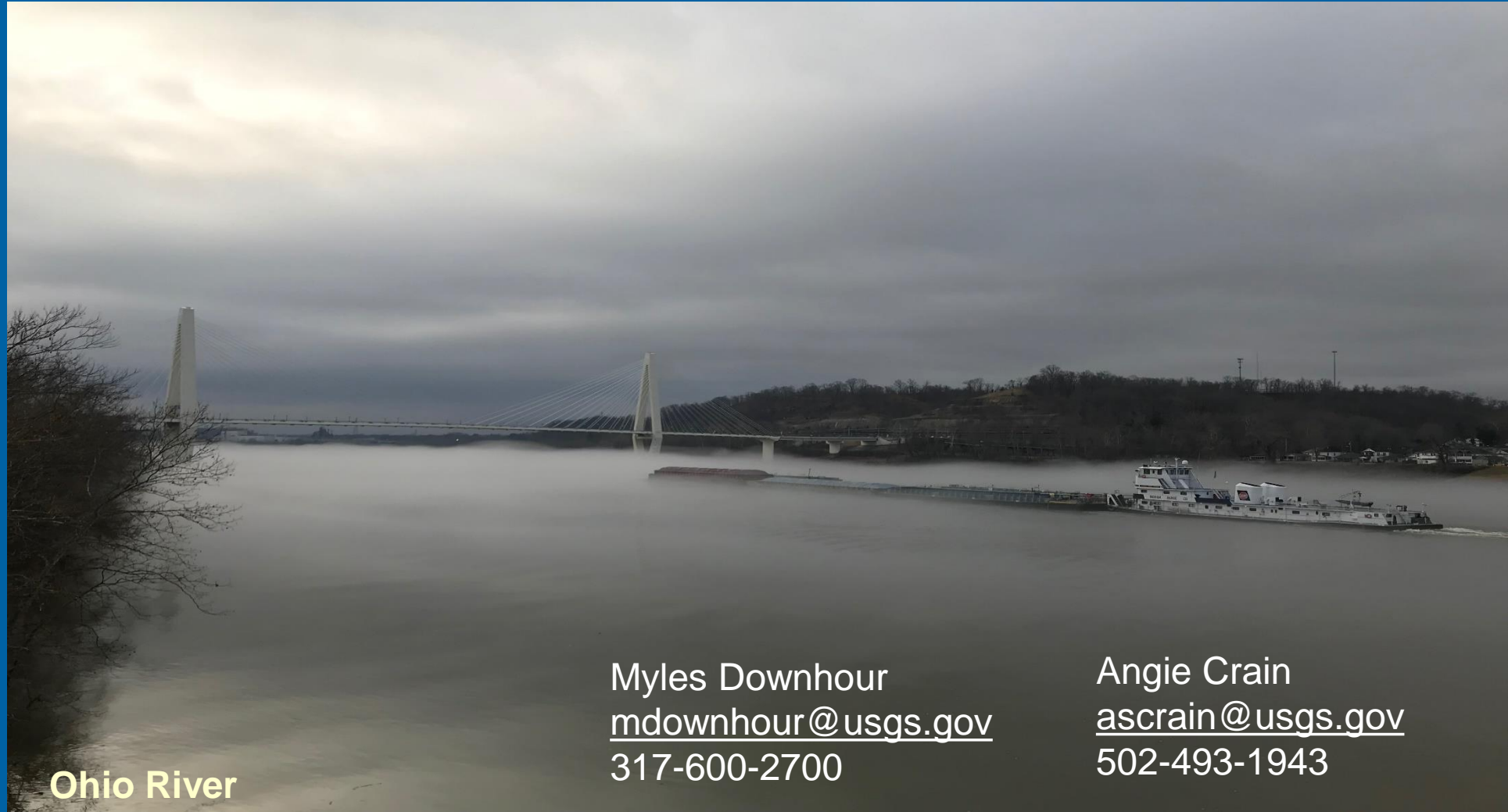
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Questions?

Thank you!



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