



FEWS Configurations in the Toronto Area

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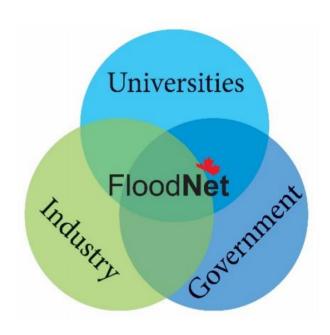
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FloodNet Project

- A multi-disciplinary research network
 - For:
 - Enhanced flood forecasts for all across Canada
 - By:
 - Academic experts
 - Government scientists
 - Operational flood forecasters (endusers)



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Purpose

- Not for practical operations, but for research purposes
 - Hindcast rather than a real-time forecast
 - Multi-model configuration
 - Capable of integrating external research components from our research group
 - Such as data assimilation and Bayesian forecasting system

Still under development

Forecast Archive

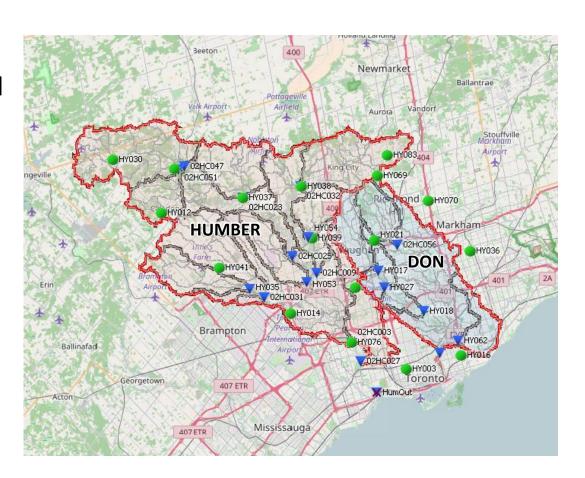
- CaSPAr (http://caspar-data.ca/)
 - Available products: <u>LINK</u>



Watersheds

- Humber River Watershed
 - Semi-urbanized
 - 900 km²

- Don River Watershed
 - Highly urbanized
 - 360 km²
 - 1.4 million residents



Hydrologic Models and Adapters

Raven

- Model developed by U of Waterloo
- Adapter developed by BC Hydro
- Adapter modified by McMaster U
 - NetCDF data transfer with Raven
 - Updated state file (_solution.rvc) fed to Delft-FEWS

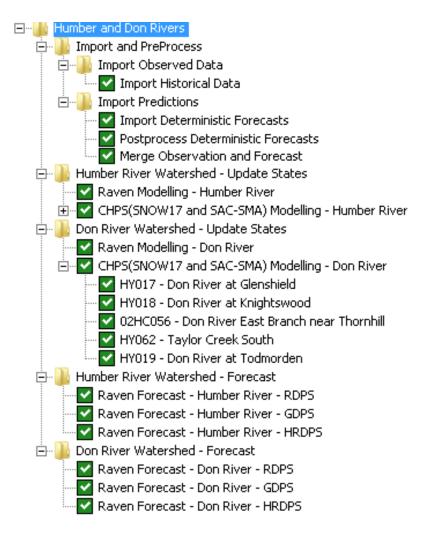


CHPS

- NWS CHPS adapter is used
- OHDFewsAdapter
 - SNOW-17
 - SAC-SMA
 - Unit Hydrograph
 - Channel Routing (Lag-K)
 - Etc.



- Topology
 - Import historic data
 - Import archived forecasts
 - Raven model
 - CHPS
 - Update states
 - Run deterministic hindcast
 - RDPS (~72hr)
 - GDPS (~72hr)
 - HRDPS (48hr)

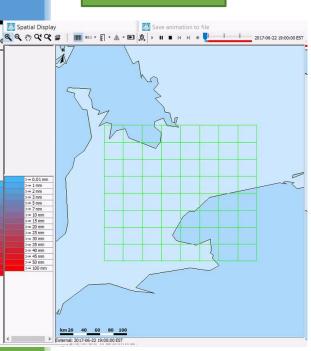


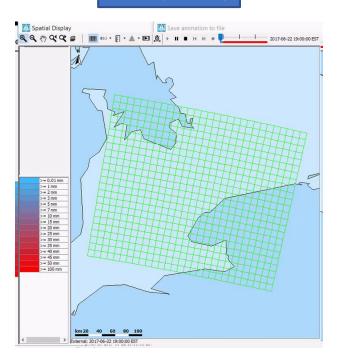
Deterministic Forecasts: Acc. P.

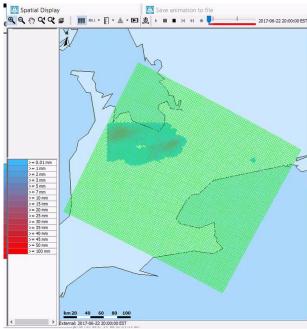
GDPS (0-72hr)

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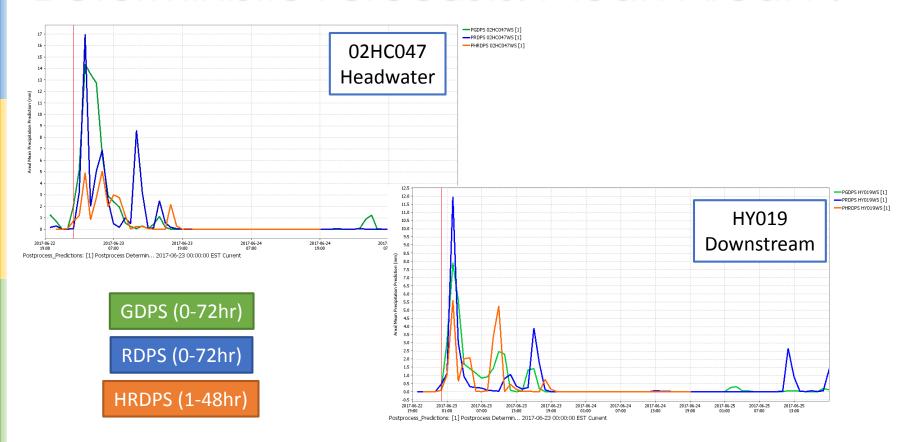
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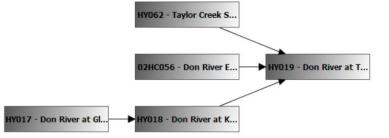


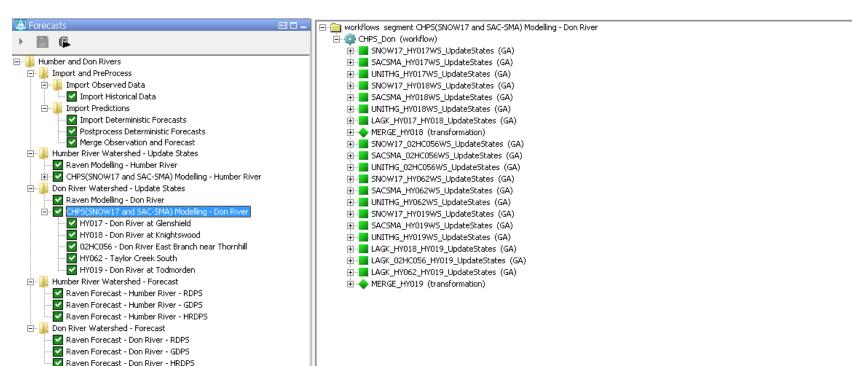


Deterministic Forecasts: Mean Areal P.



CHPS: Semi-distributed internally

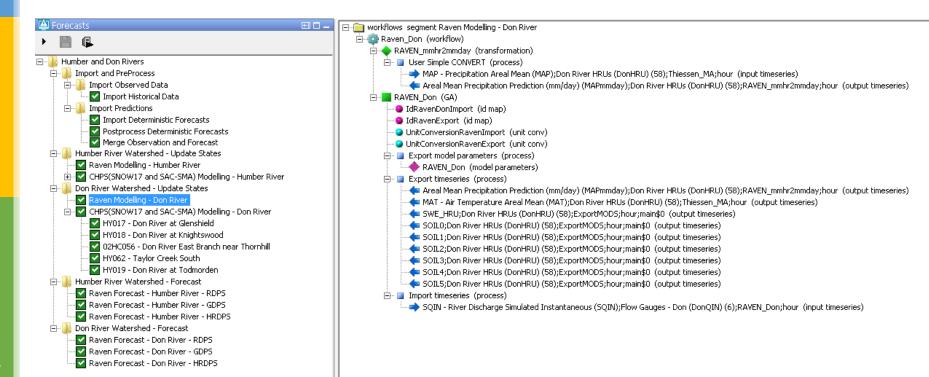




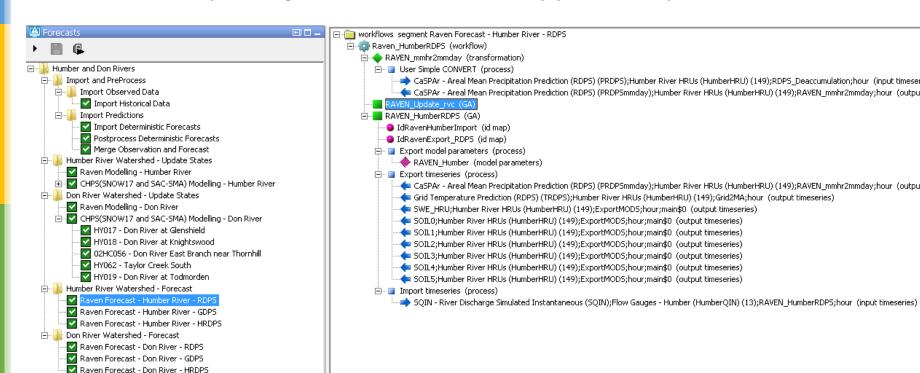
Raven adapter (python):

One adapter does all pre-processing, executing, and post-processing

Raven model: Semi-distributed externally



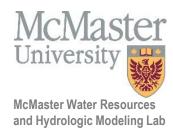
Raven State Updating: GA runs an external python script



Future Works

Batch Forecast

- Adapt other hydrologic/hydraulic models
- Integrating enhanced forecasting components from our research group
 - Data Assimilation (beyond OpenDA)
 - Bayesian Forecasting System





Thank you

