Johns Lake MFLs

Modeling Peer Review

Kick-off

March 3, 2022

Division of Water Supply Planning and Assessment St. Johns River Water Management District

Agenda

- Introductions and meeting objectives
- Overview of SJRWMD MFLs process
- Overview of ICPR4 2D model
- Stakeholder comments
- Site visit

Johns Lake

Orange and Lake Counties

- Lake area = \sim 2,500 acres \bullet
- Watershed area = $\sim 40.1 \text{ mi}^2$
- Regionally important parks, fishing pier, kayak and canoe \bullet launches.
- Large wetlands to east (Conservation Area) and south \bullet (Scrub Point Preserve) with important habitat for fish, wading birds and other wildlife





Statutory Directive

"...consideration shall be given to... <u>non-consumptive uses</u>, and <u>environmental values</u>...<i>" 62-40.473, F.A.C.

- Recreation in and on the water
- Fish & wildlife habitats and the passage of fish
- Estuarine resources
- Transfer of detrital material
- Maintenance of freshwater storage & supply
- Aesthetic and scenic attributes
- Filtration / absorption of nutrients & pollutants
- Sediment loads
- Water quality
- Navigation







Statutory Directive

Water management districts must establish MFLs that set...

"...the limit at which further <u>withdrawals</u> would be significantly harmful to the water resources or the ecology of the area."

Section 373.042(1), Florida Statutes (F.S.)

MFL Process Overview

MFLs Determination:

 Determine the most critical environmental features to protect and the minimum hydrologic regime required for their protection (MFLs condition)

MFLs Assessment:

- Determine the current impacted hydrologic regime (currentpumping condition)
 - Requires determination of no-pumping hydrologic regime, which represents historical no-pumping condition
- Compare the MFLs and current-pumping conditions to determine if water is available (freeboard)



Lake Level / River Flow

Hydrological Analysis



Use of ICPR4 Model for MFLs

- Simulation of interaction between the lake and the UFA
- Evaluation of the effect of pumping on critical lake levels needed for WRVs (fish and wildlife habitat, recreation, water quality, etc)
- Assessment of the current status of MFLs to estimate water availability or deficit

Model Simulations

- Long-term simulations (1948-2018)
- Scenarios (by adjusting UFA boundary condition)
 - No-pumping condition simulations
 - Current-pumping condition simulations

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Johns Lake Hydrologic Modeling

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Outline

Background on Johns Lake modeling
Interconnected Channel and Pond Routing (ICPR4) Model:

o Set-up

o Calibration and validation

- Sensitivity analysis
- Long-term simulation

Model Development

- Collect, review and process GIS and hydrometeorological data
- Set-up ICPR4 model
- Calibrate and validate the model
- Run long-term simulations
- Receive technical support and recommendations from Streamline Technologies (SLT) for model refinement

ICPR4 2D Model



Johns Lake Watershed

- Located in Orange & Lake counties
- Outfall
 Culverts
- Major inflows from Black Lake
- Wetland systems in SE



Land Use and Soil





• Modified LULC2014 (CWR, 2019) with SJRWMD LULC2014

• Vertical layers' properties based on SSURGO dominant component keys 1

DEM with Bathymetry

- LiDAR-derived contours
- Field survey
- Digitized aerial photographs



Hydro-meteorological stations

- Rainfall (NEXRAD + ISLE_WIN)
- Reference ET (USGS + Clermont)
- UFA levels (OR1123, L-0052, and OR0047)



Rainfall and RET





Extended UFA Levels



OR1123 Data Used with POT offsets



Hydrological Model Set-up

- 58 sub-watersheds (mapped-basins)
- Stage nodes
- Links (channel, pipe, drop structure, & weir)



Groundwater Region (GWR) Representation



- Four GW regions
 - North
 - South
 - Middle
 - East

Hydrologic Model Calibration/Validation

Calibration Period
 1/1/2005-12/31/2018

Validation Period

 1/1/1995-12/31/2004



Hydrologic Model Performance

Statistics			Period	
Description	S ymbol	Target value	Calibration (cal)	Validation (val)
Nash-Sutcliffe Efficiency	NSE	≥0.8 (cal) & 0.7 (val)	0.73	0.92
Root Mean Squared Error	RMSE	$\leq \pm 1 $ ft	0.93	0.92
Mean Error	ME	$\leq \pm 1 $ ft	-0.73	0.15
Absolute Mean Error	AME	$\leq \pm 1 $ ft	0.81	0.71
Percent Bias	PBIAS	$\leq \pm 10\% $ (cal) & $ \pm 15\% $ (val)	-0.78	0.17
Pearson Correlation Coefficient	R	≥ 0.8 (cal) & 0.7 (val)	0.95	0.96
Percent of observations bracketed within ± 1ft	±1ft (%)	≥0.85 (cal) & 0.75 (val)	65.20	71.69

Johns Lake Water Balance

Common on ta	Calibration (20	05-2018)	Validation (1995-2004)	
Components	Flux (in/yr)	Percent	Flux (in/yr)	Percent
Total inflows	219.2		196.3	
Direct rainfall	49.9	22.8	44.1	22.5
Black Lake inflow	125.4	57.2	117.1	59.6
Watershed baseflow	32.9	15.0	26.4	13.5
Watershed runoff	11.1	5.1	8.7	4.4
Total outflows	221.1		196.0	
Evapotranspiration	45.0	20.3	39.9	20.4
Initial abstraction	1.6	0.7	1.7	0.9
Infiltration	52.9	23.9	46.0	23.5
Johns outflow	10.2	4.6	7.3	3.7
Vertical seepage	111.3	50.4	101.1	51.6
Surface Storage Change	-2.0		0.3	

Sensitivity Analysis

Parameter	Description	Calibrated value	Change
Ia	Initial abatmatian	Varied with LULC type	Decreased by 10% or 20%
	milial adstraction		Increased by 10% or 20%
kc	Crop coefficient	Varied with LULC type	Decreased by 10% or 20%
			Decreased by 10% or 20%
kv	Vertical Saturated	Variad with a ail two a	Divided by 2 or 3
	Hydraulic Conductivity	valled with son type	Multiplied by 2 or 3
kh	Horizontal saturated	40 feet per day	Divided by 2 or 3
	hydraulic conductivity		Multiplied by 2 or 3
k	Leakance	Varied with zones	Divided by 2 or 3
			Multiplied by 2 or 3

Leakance (k) value



Sensitivity Analysis Takeaways

 Parameter of leakance k is the most sensitive parameter

• kh and kv are the parameters with medium sensitivity

Parameters of la and kc have the lowest sensitivity

Long-term Simulation

 Calibrated model was run from January 1, 1948 to December 31, 2018

– Extensions of:

Hourly rainfall (composite dataset ISLE_WIN and NEXRAD)
Daily RET (composite dataset Clermont and USGS)
Daily UFA groundwater levels

All the hydrologic parameters were kept the same.

Long-term Results



Questions?

Next Steps

- Teleconference (Reviewer to discuss initial findings)
- Draft model review TM
- Teleconference (Discuss draft TM)
- Final TM
- Draft MFLs Report
- Rulemaking

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April 6, 2022



For more information on the Johns Lake ICPR model and MFLs development go to: https://www.sjrwmd.com/minimumflowsandlevels/johns-lake/

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