



# "Disrupting" Groundwater Management

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# Groundwater Management Challenges



## **Information**

Understanding and monitoring groundwater systems (e.g. aquifers, extraction, recharge, quality)

Analytic insights into specific groundwater links to water cycle and inform longer-term planning and shorter-term operational decision support



## **Institutions**

Institutional arrangements to work across spatial and sectoral scales

Capacity, policies, and instruments to effectively manage groundwater effectively and sustainably



## **Investments**

Planning and operation of extraction and recharge investments in a systems context

Development and climate scenariobased investment planning considering technical, environmental, social, economic, financial, institutional, and other sustainability aspects

## A new world of "Disruptive Technology"



### "Disrupt" data value chains

- Data Collection: Monitoring/Surveys (in-situ sensors/IoT/Biometrics, earth observation (satellite, aerial, UAVs), crowdsourcing, digitization...
- Data Management: Telemetry, 5G, cloud services, open data, Blockchain, ...
- Data Analysis: Big data, Geospatial/
  Al/Machine Learning, modeling/ scenario
  analysis, script repositories,
  Cloud/Edge/Quantum computing...
- Data Access: Open data APIs, data visualization, gamification, mixed reality-AR/VR, ...
- Outreach: Platforms/Social Media/Portals/ Apps/e-books/Competitions...



### "Disrupt" production value chains

- 3D/4D printing/additive manufacturing...
- Digital Twin
- Automation/SCADA...
- Robotics/ Autonomous transport...
- Advanced materials/nanotech/ biotech/genomics/energy tech/ green tech, ag tech...





### "Disrupt" stakeholder value chains

- Virtual social networks/ Digital Platforms...
- Sharing economy...
- Crowdsourcing, gamification, competitions (e.g. hackathons, appathons...)
- Mobile money, fintech, cryptocurrency...
- Maker movement/DIY/Tech Incubators...
- Virtual learning/re-skilling...

http://www.appsolutelydigital.com/dt/

# **Information & Analysis Trends**

## What's Out?





Paper Records/Publications

**Desktop Databases** 

Static, Infrequent data

**Data Secrecy** 

Unclear data pricing

Sectoral approaches

Fragmented activities

Desktop Modeling – "Retail"

Supply-side inputs

"Come to my website &

see my bit of data..."

Digital Data/Portals/Apps/e-books...

"Analysis Ready" Cloud Data Services/APIs

Real-time data services & visualizations

Open, Public-Domain, Available

Free open basic data services

Multi-sectoral/ spatial approaches

Shared vision partnerships; Interoperability

Cloud Analytics – "Wholesale" AI Platforms

Demand-driven to support decisions

Integrative, Collaborative Data Services &

**Customized Platforms/Dashboards/Apps** 

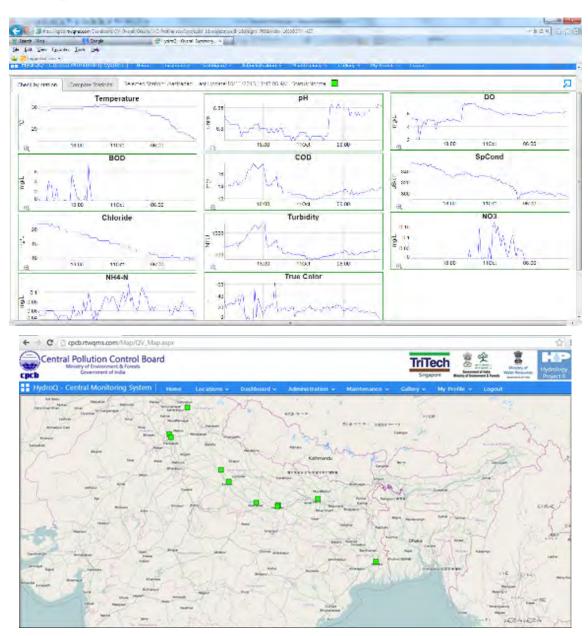
# "Bottom-up" Monitoring Systems







**Crowdsourcing Monitoring** 



# **Emerging Citizen Science**





2010

2009



Total







Staff	3132	11812	12409	6522	33875
Turbidity	3131	12069	12469	6624	34293
Rain	3116	>12777	>15000	>15000	>47000
Flow					>500
Sed samples	1425	4176	3139	1216	9956

2011

2012

Secchi Jug for turbidity

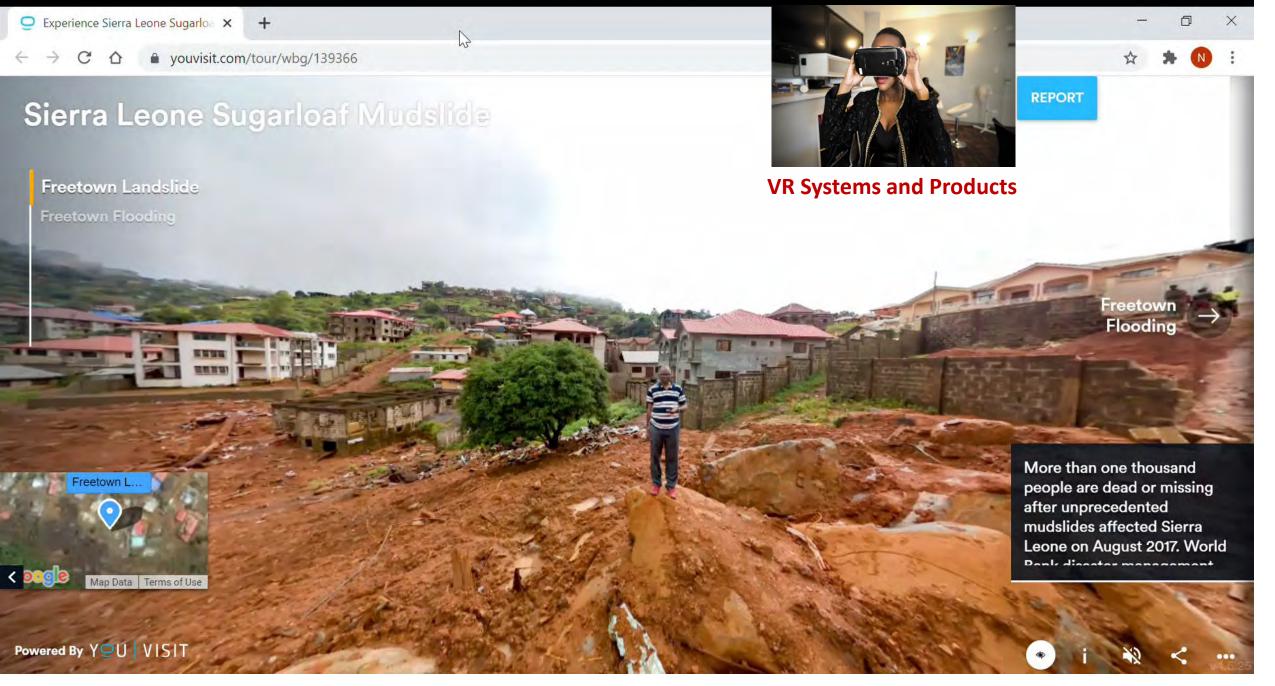


#### **Sediment Concentration Analyses**



Ethiopia: Tana and Beles Integrated Water Resources Management Project Thanks JB for some of the photos!





**360° Cameras for photos/videos** 

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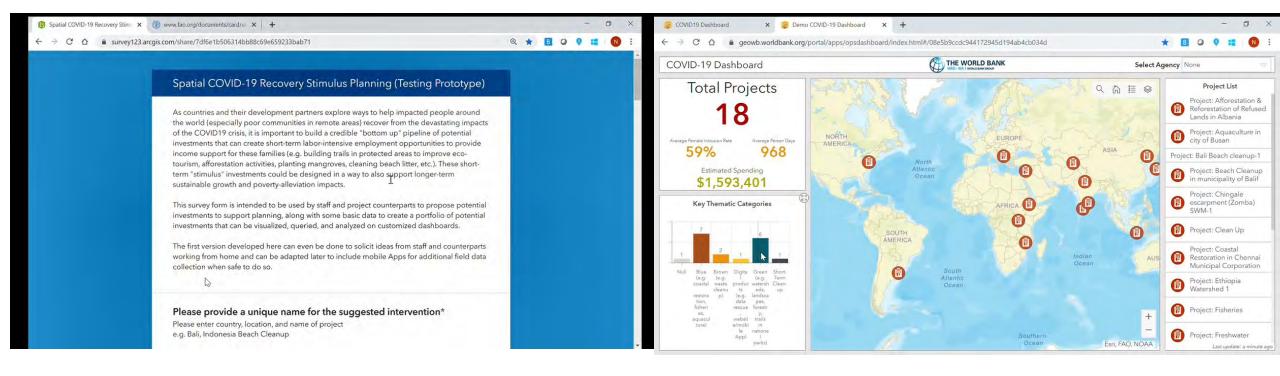
# Field/Virtual Surveys

- Online Spatial Surveys
- Mobile ODK KoboToolBox, Survey123...
- Interactive Dashboards









## Collect Field Data - 3D iOS Models in the Field



Lidar sensor on new iPhone 12 Pro and iPad Pro.

Field personnel can scan area of interest and create a 3D model in minutes.

3D model can be shared with office-based personnel directly from iOS device.





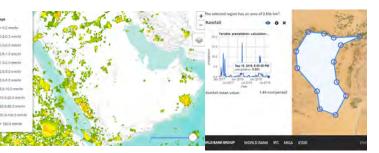




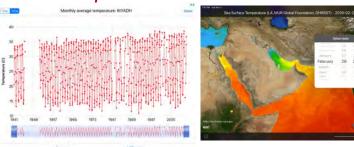
Presentation: Remote Supervision Tools for Dam Safety

## "Top-down" Earth Observation & Other Global Analytics Services

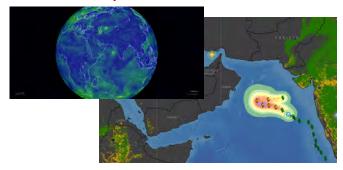
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Precipitation & Forecasts

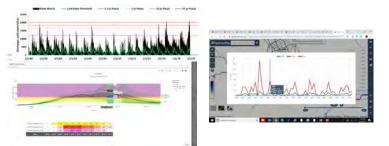


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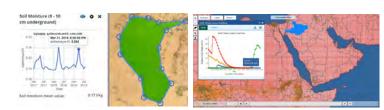


Storms

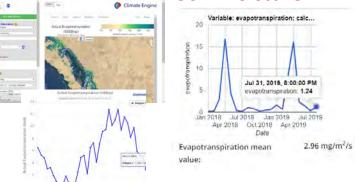
### **Hydrology**



Levels, Flow & Inundation & Forecasts



Soil Moisture



**Evapo-transpiration** 

Other

Open Water

Mangrove

Swamptog

Fen

Riverine

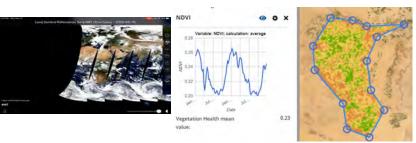
Floodswamp

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Wettand in dry areas

Wet meadow

**Land Cover** 

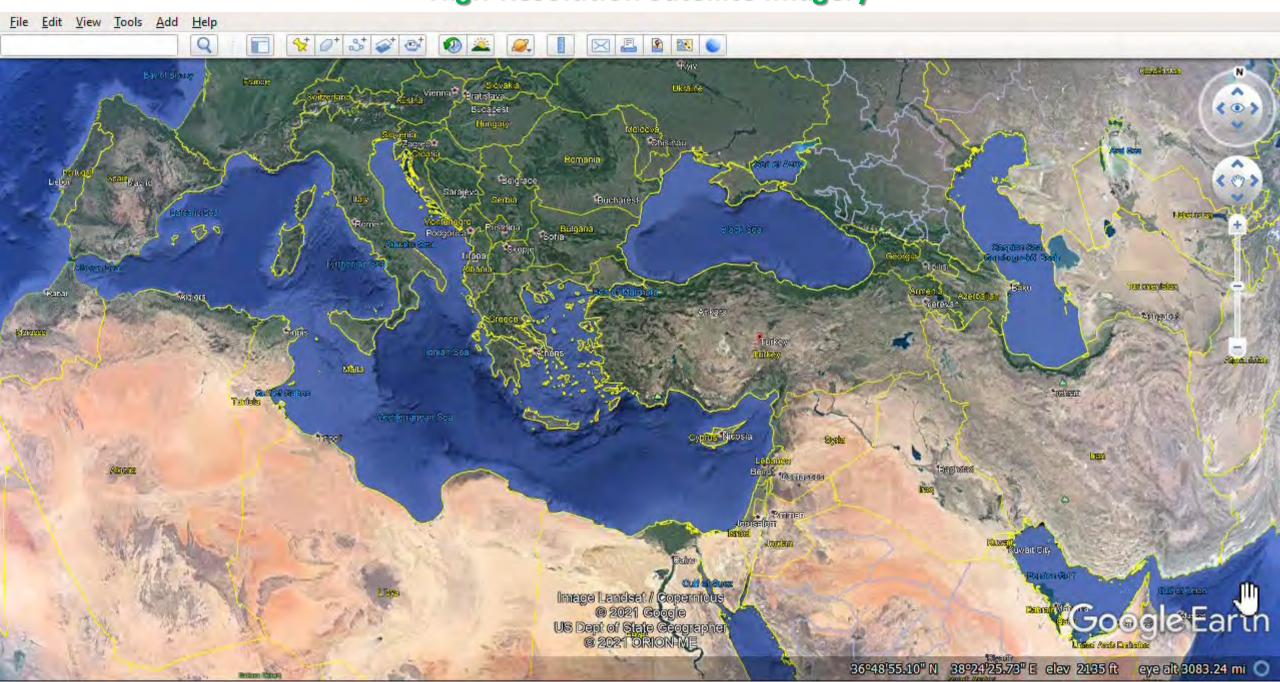


NDVI, EVI, GRACE, etc.



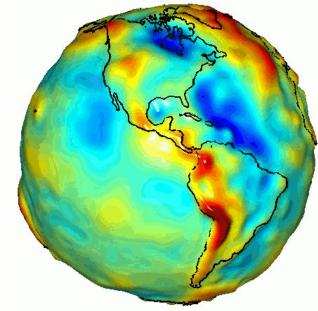
Social, Economic, Environmental, etc.

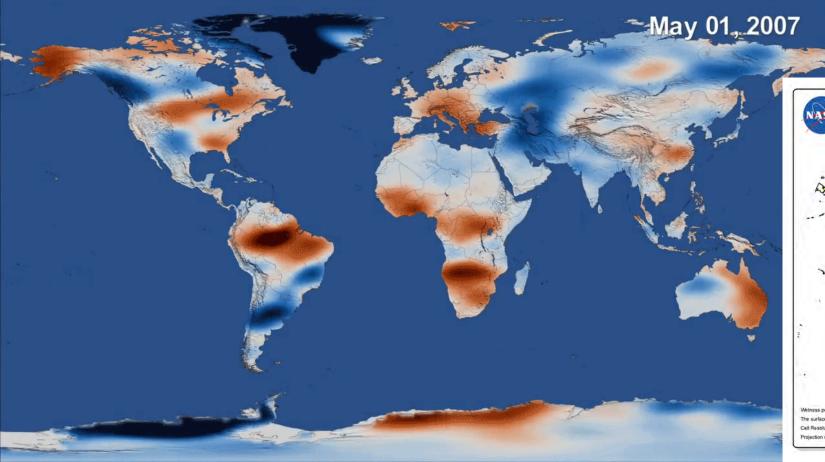
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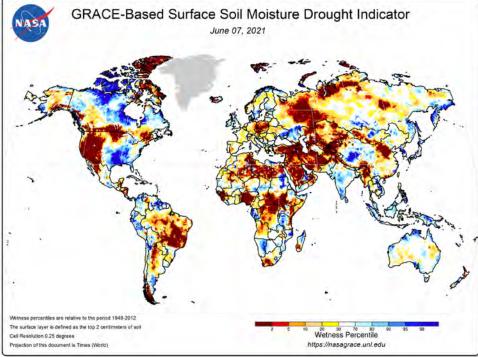


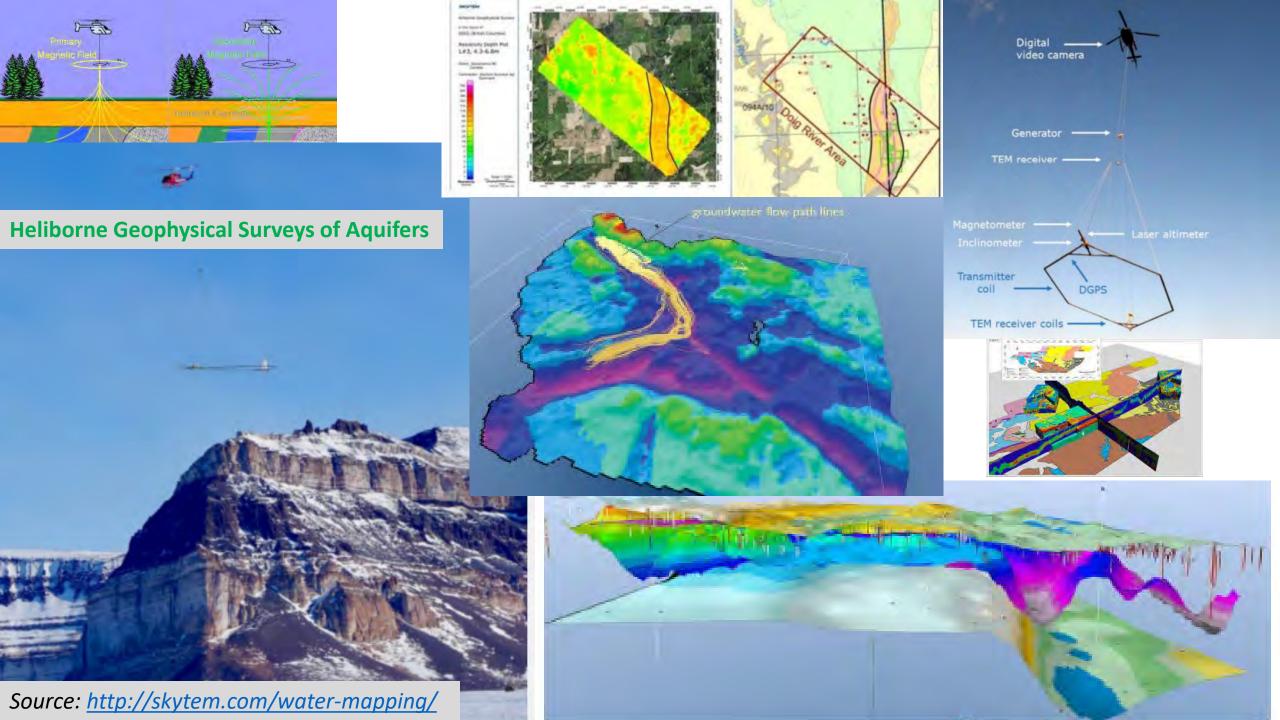
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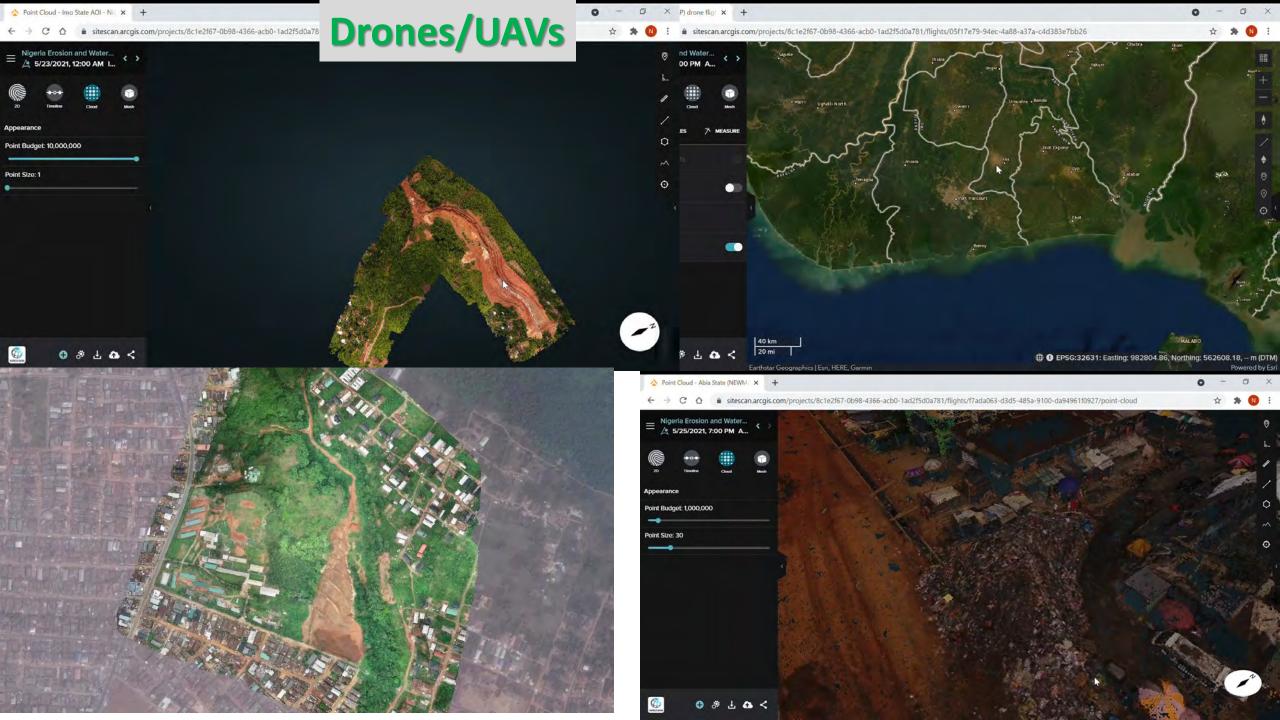


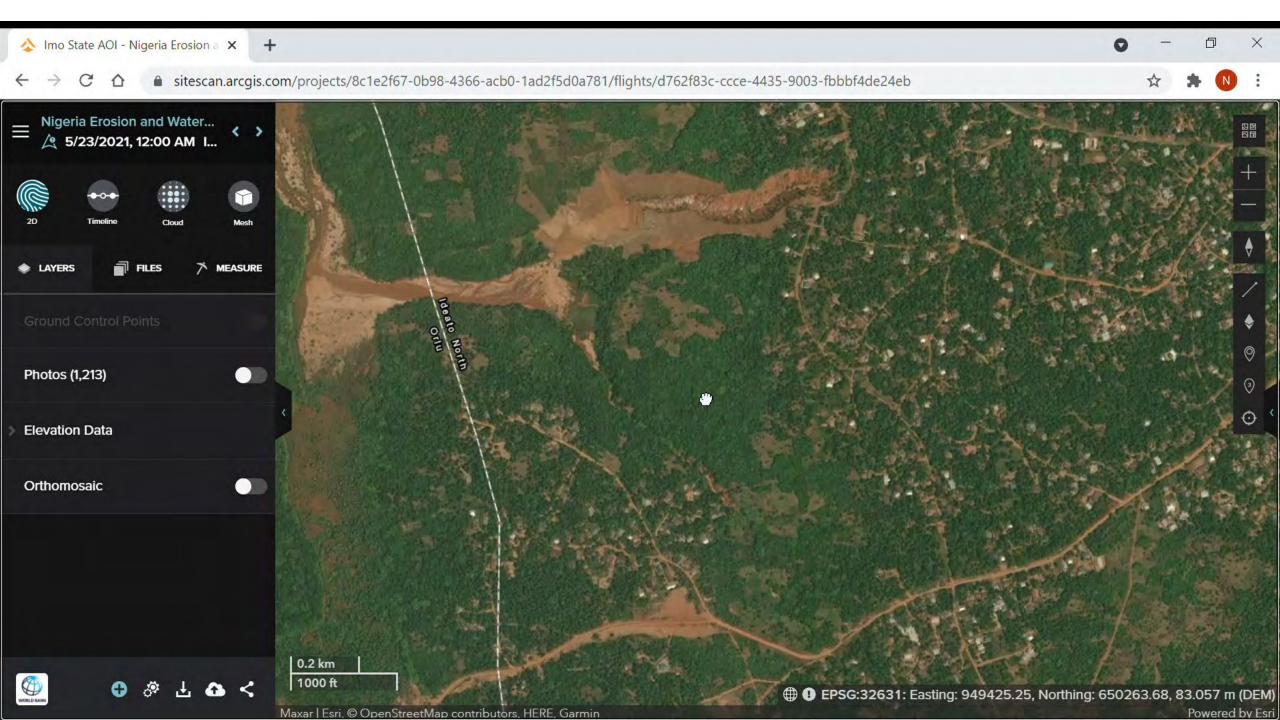


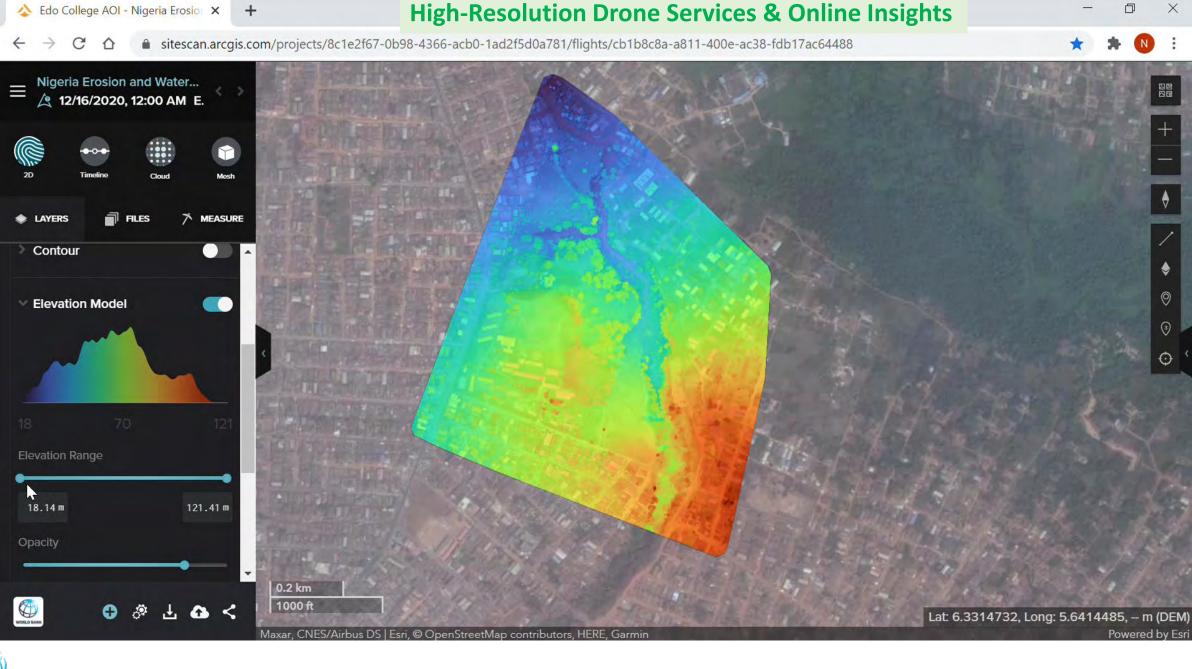




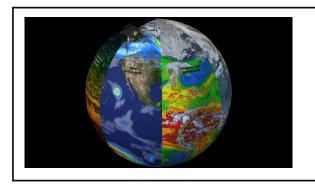


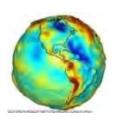










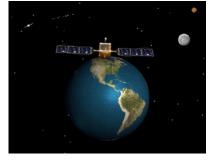


### "Top-Down" Data Acquisition System

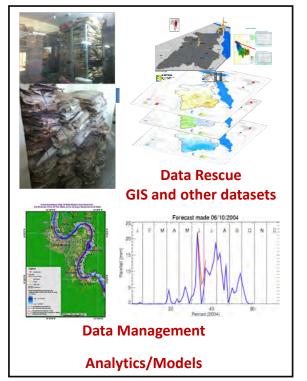


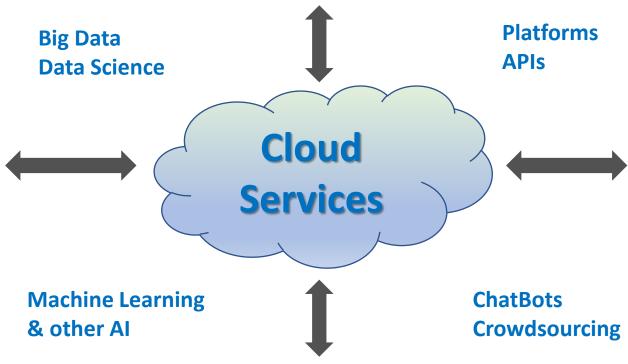






**Satellite & Aerial Earth Observation** 





















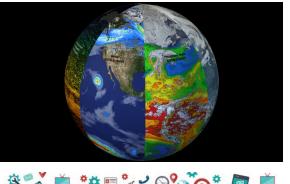




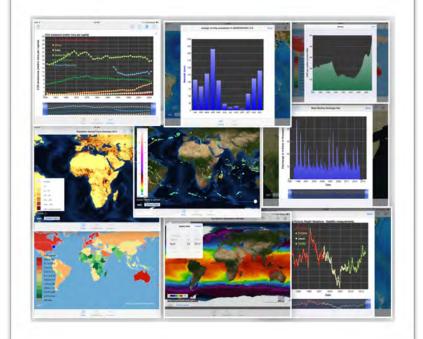
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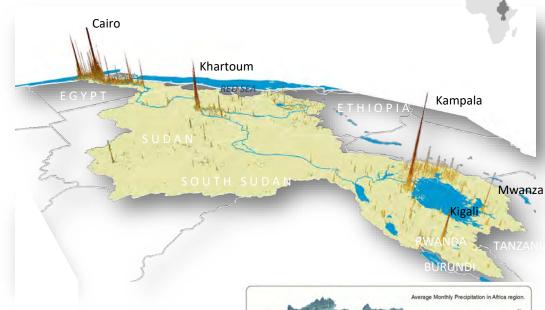
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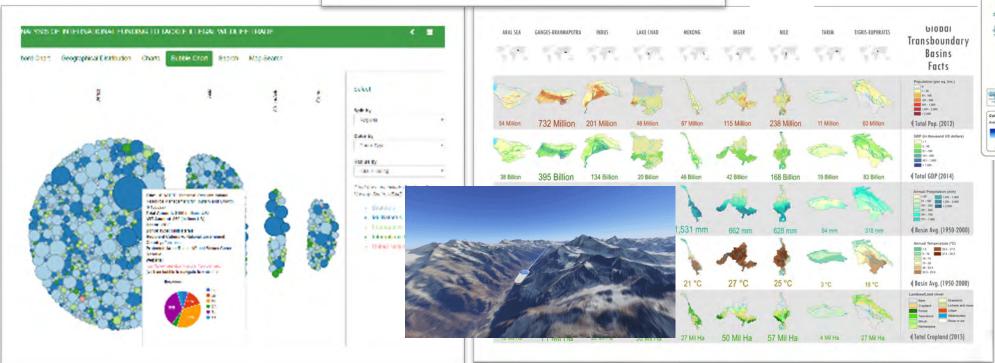
**Crowdsourcing** 









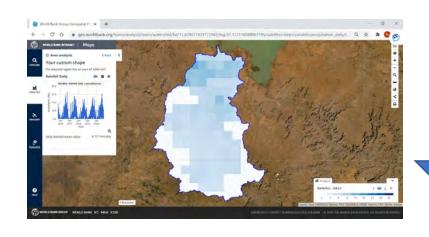


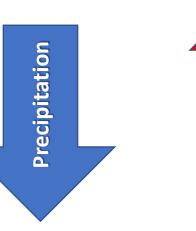


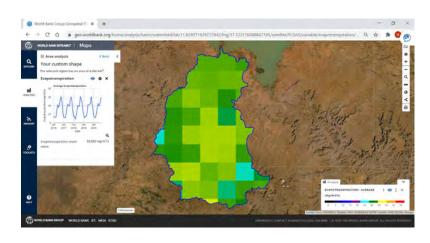
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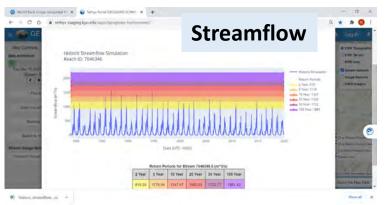


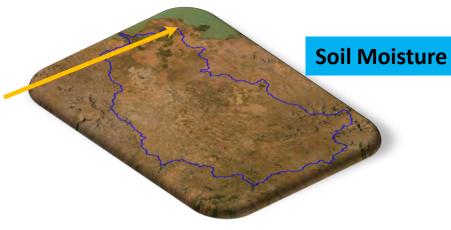
Multiple sectors, multiple institutions, linked by water and natural resources... **Need for Integrated Water Resources Management Agriculture Department Livestock Department** Precipitation **Forest Department Rural Water Supply Department Urban Water Supply Department** Reservoir **Irrigation Department** River Basin Boundary Power Department/Utilities Industry Urban WSS **Industry Department** Rural WSS Rainfed Agr **Fisheries Department River Restoration Protected Areas Mgmt.** Groundwater Inflow **Environment Department Transport Department** Irrigation Return Flow **Tourism Department** Navigation Central, State, district, local govts ds / Environment **Surface & Ground water Investment Institutions** Groundwater **Basin/Sub-basin Organizations** Watershed User Associations/Catchment Committees, WUAS Farmers, Private Sector, Local Govt., NGOs, Academia, General Public .. Groundwater Outf ...Need for a shared multi-sectoral vision supported by modern information, institutions, and investments...



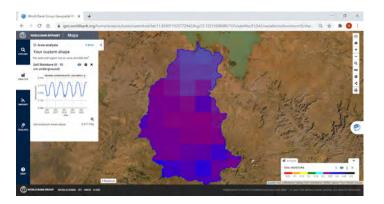




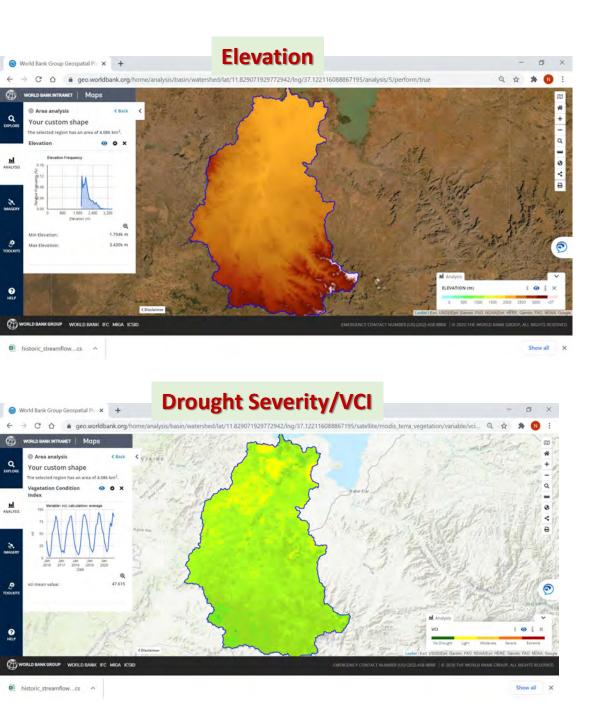


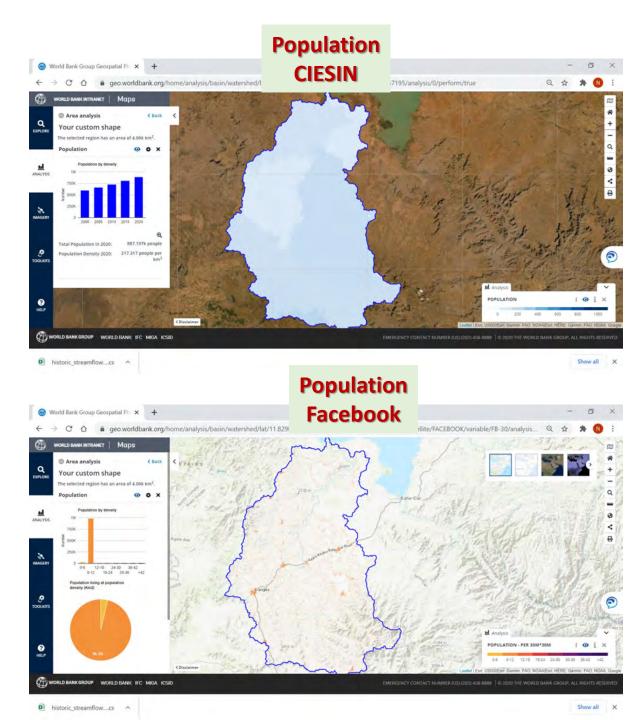


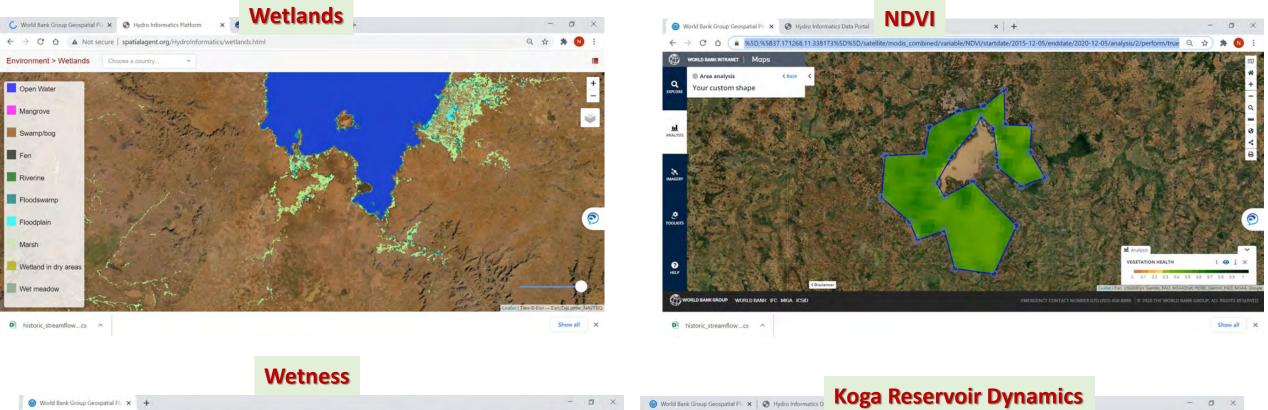
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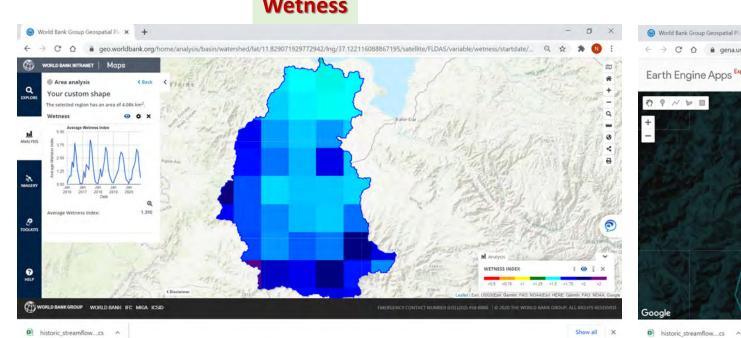


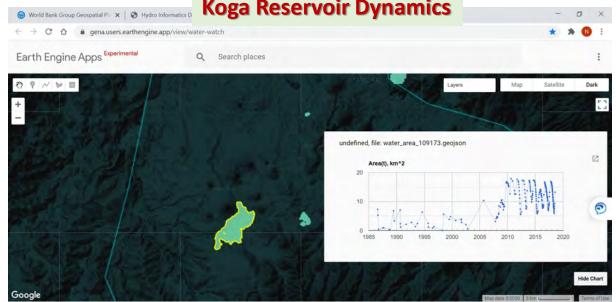


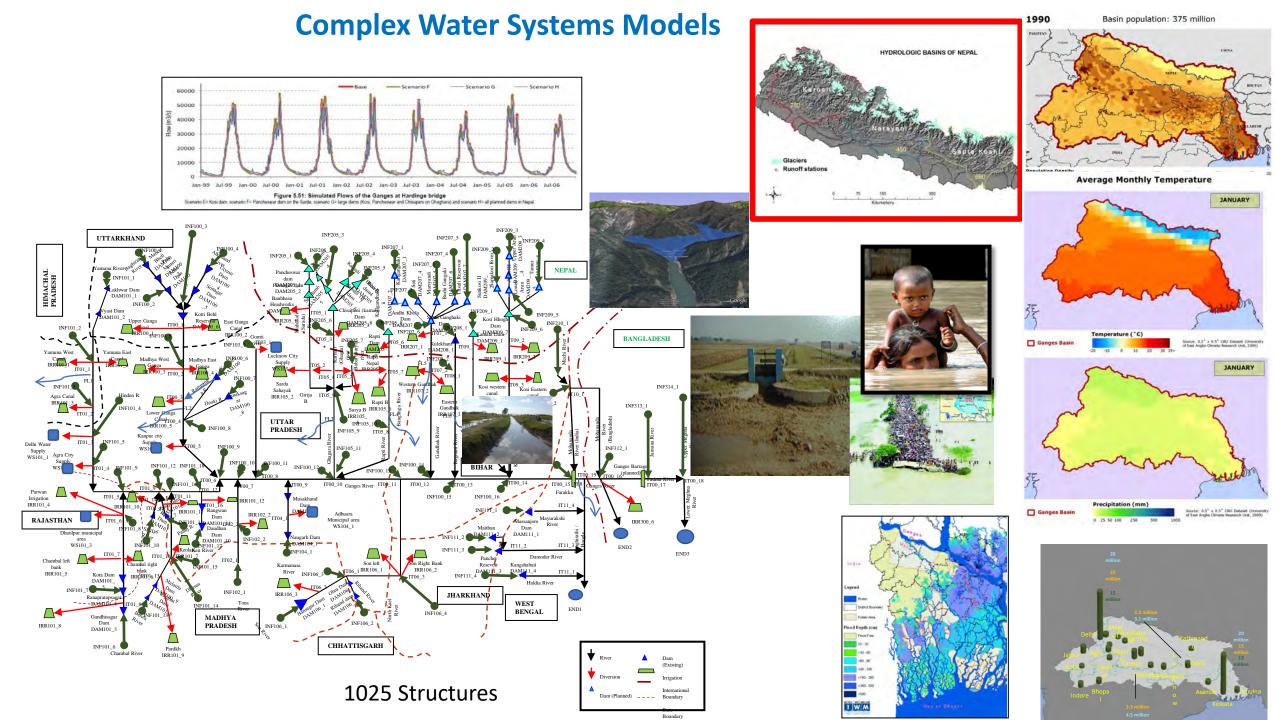












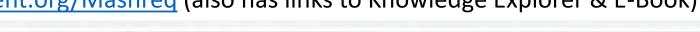
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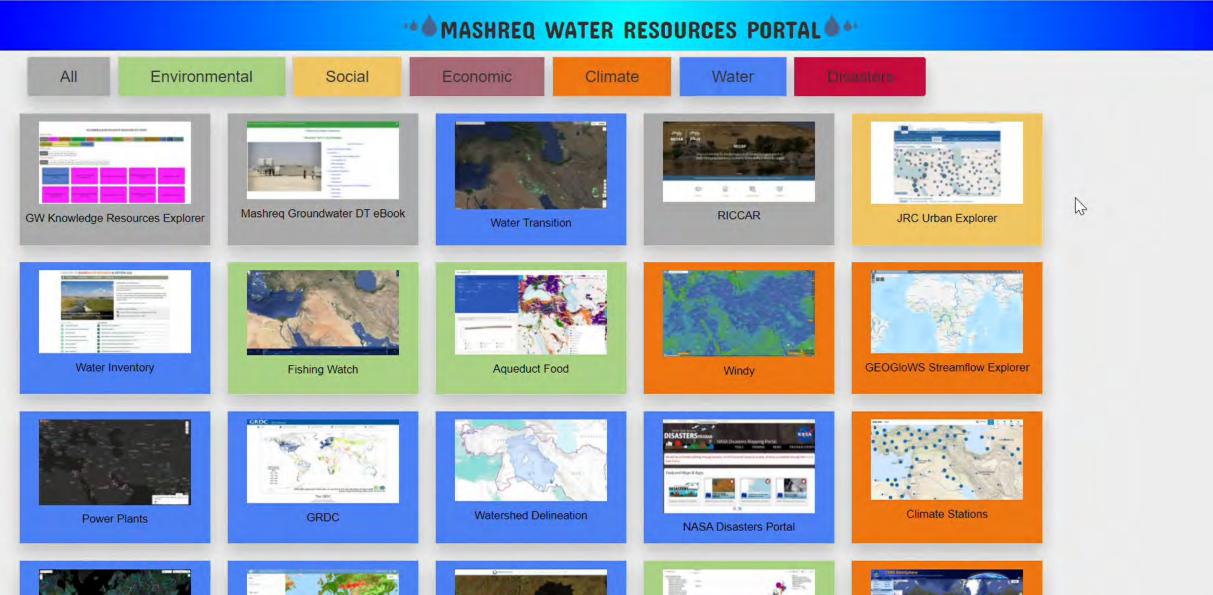
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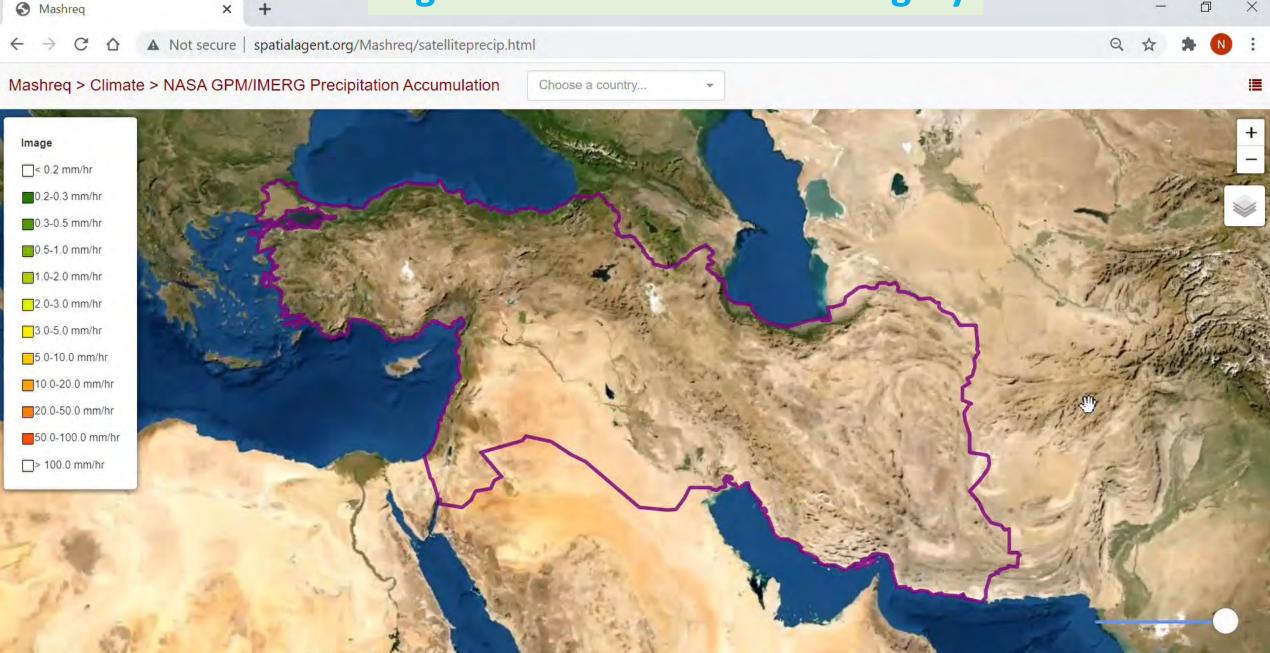


https://spatialagent.org/Mashreq (also has links to Knowledge Explorer & E-Book)

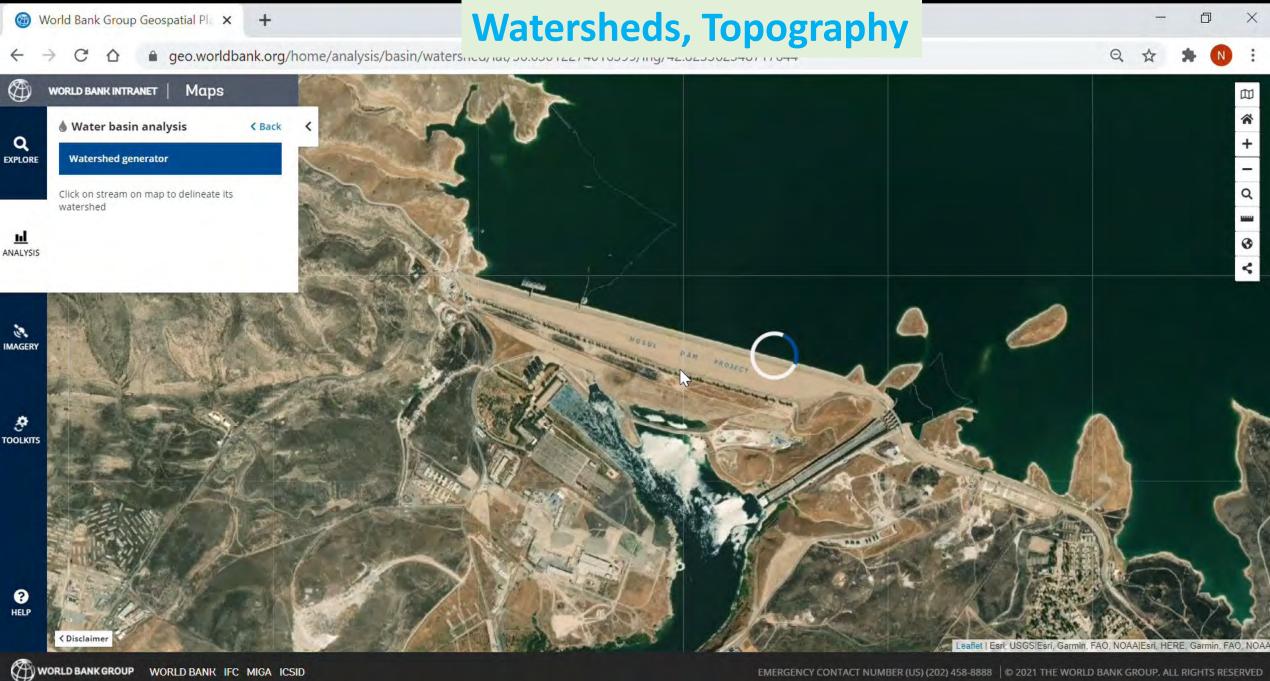


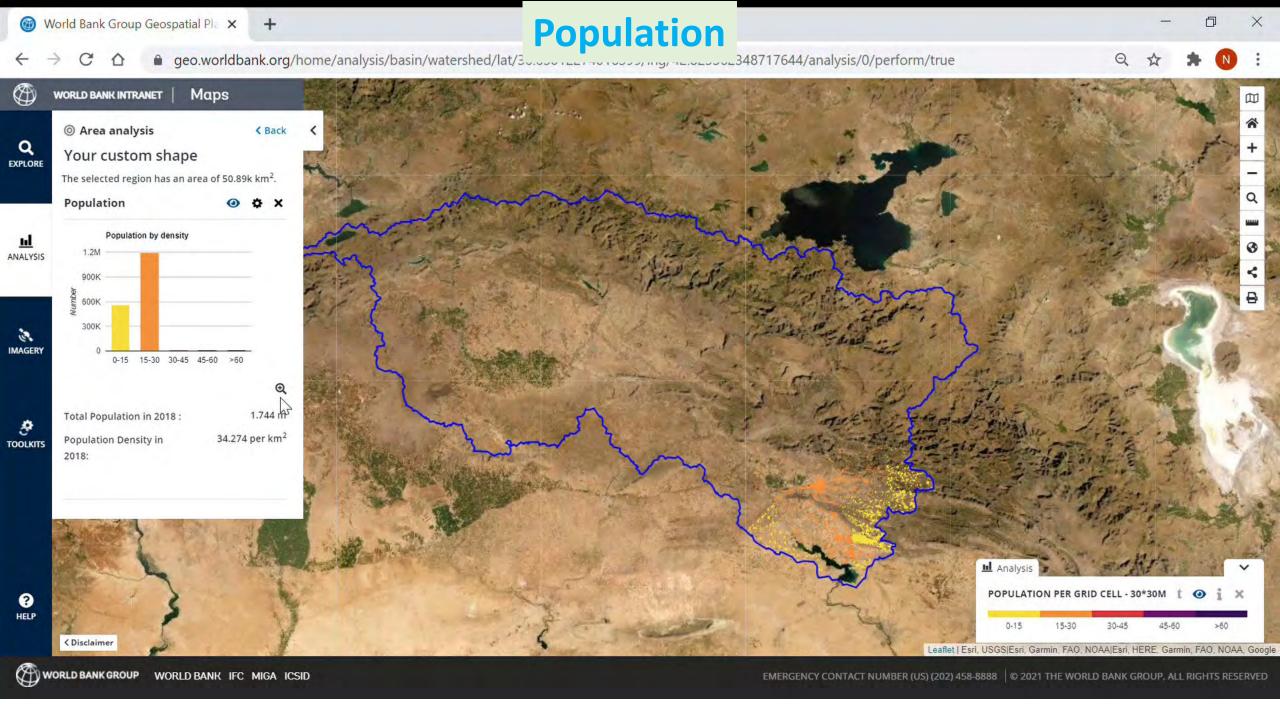


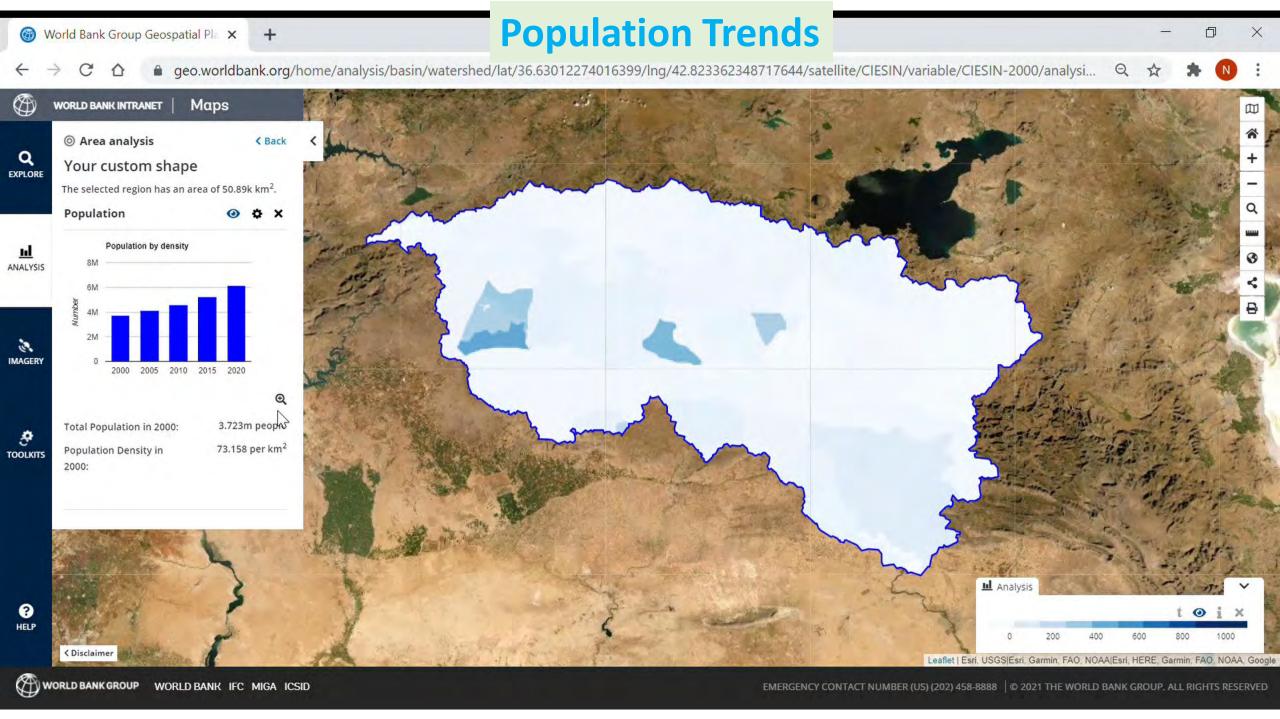
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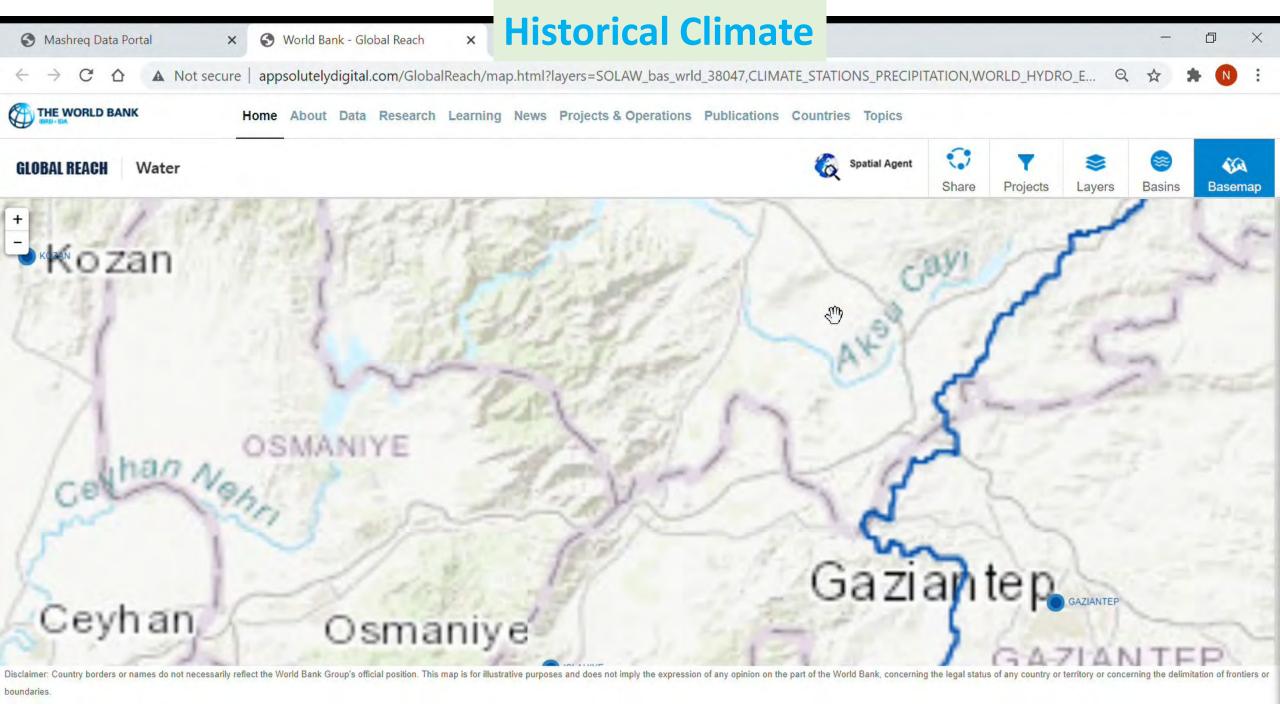


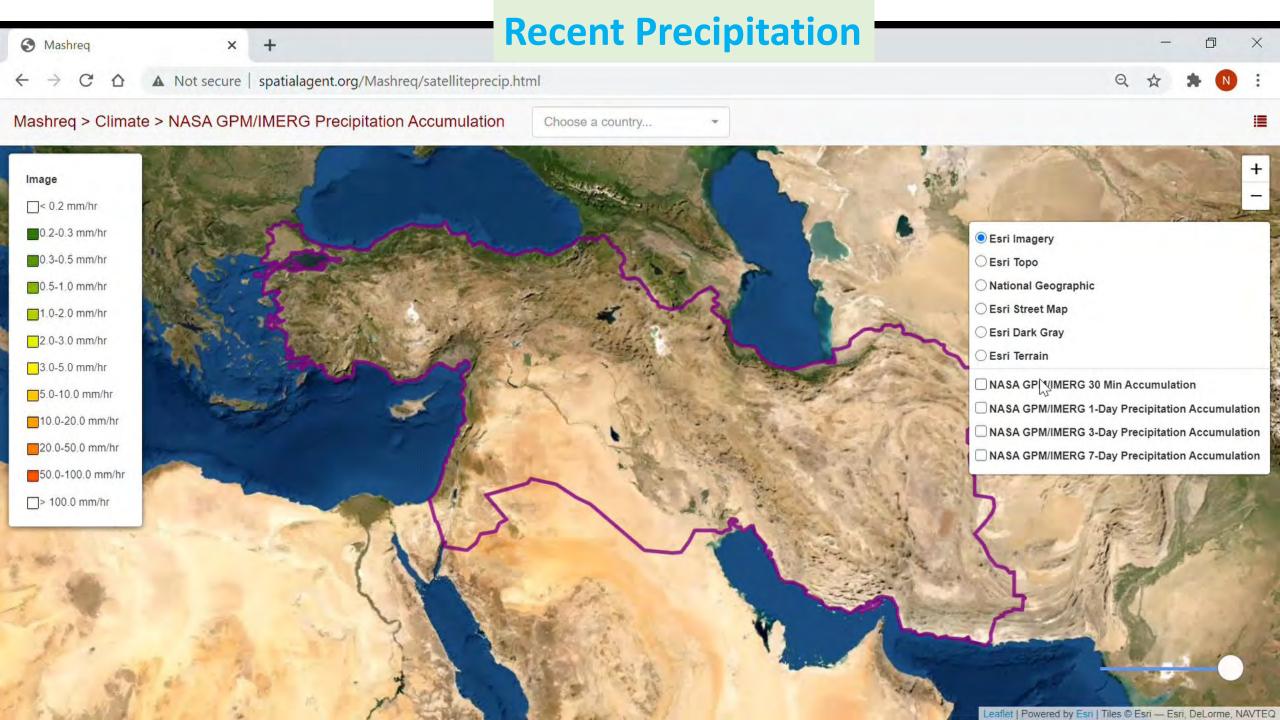
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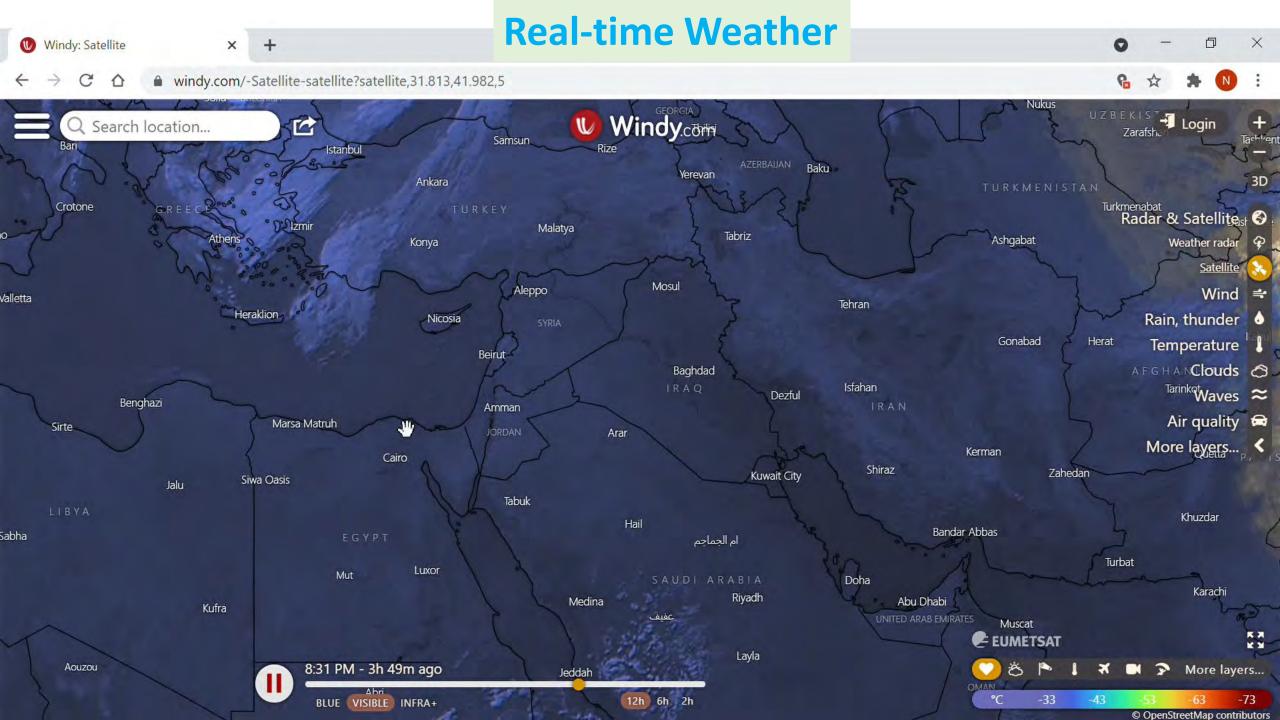


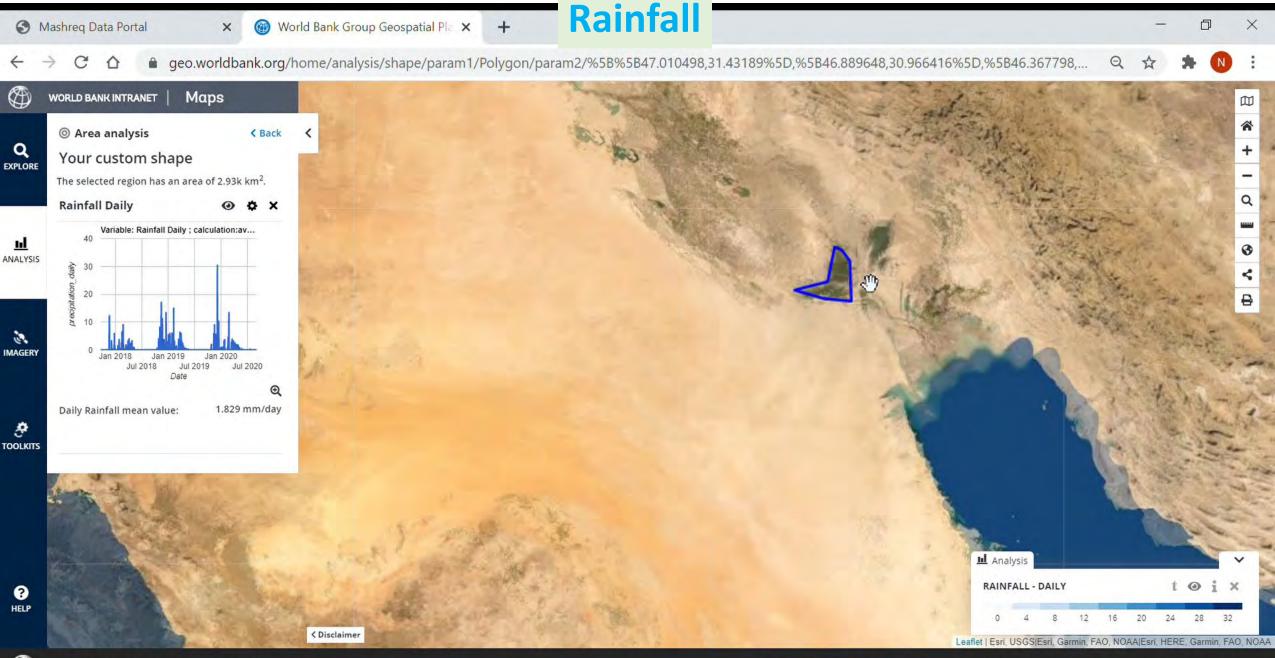


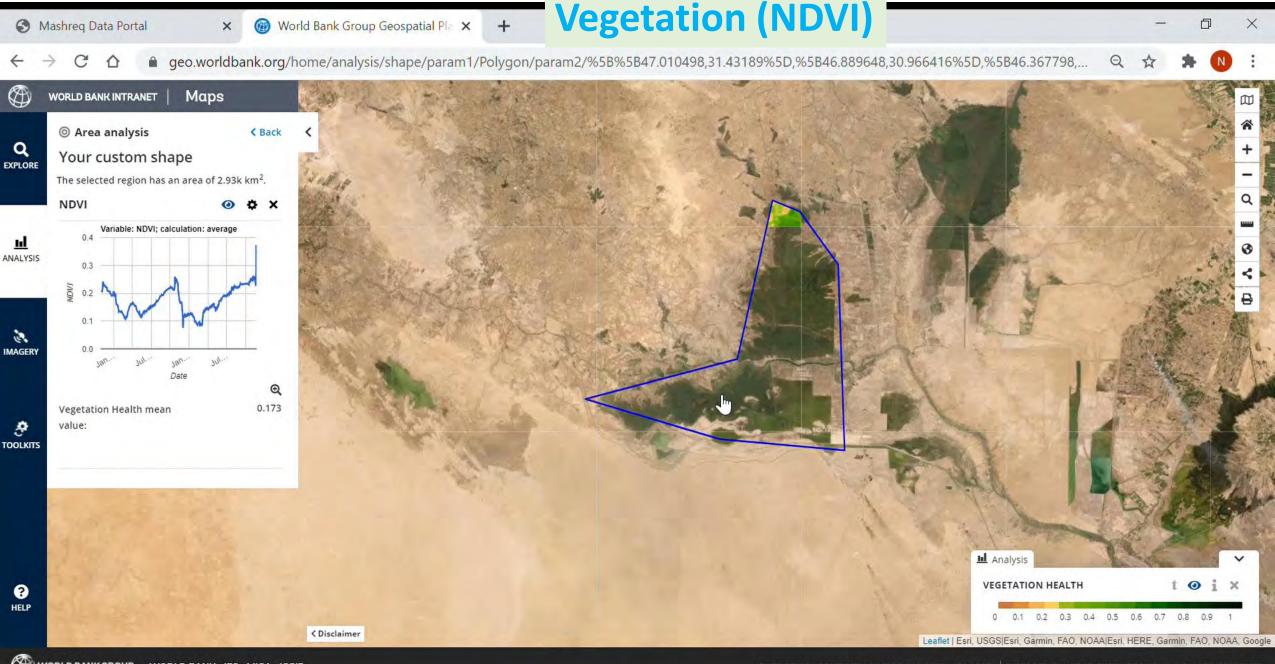


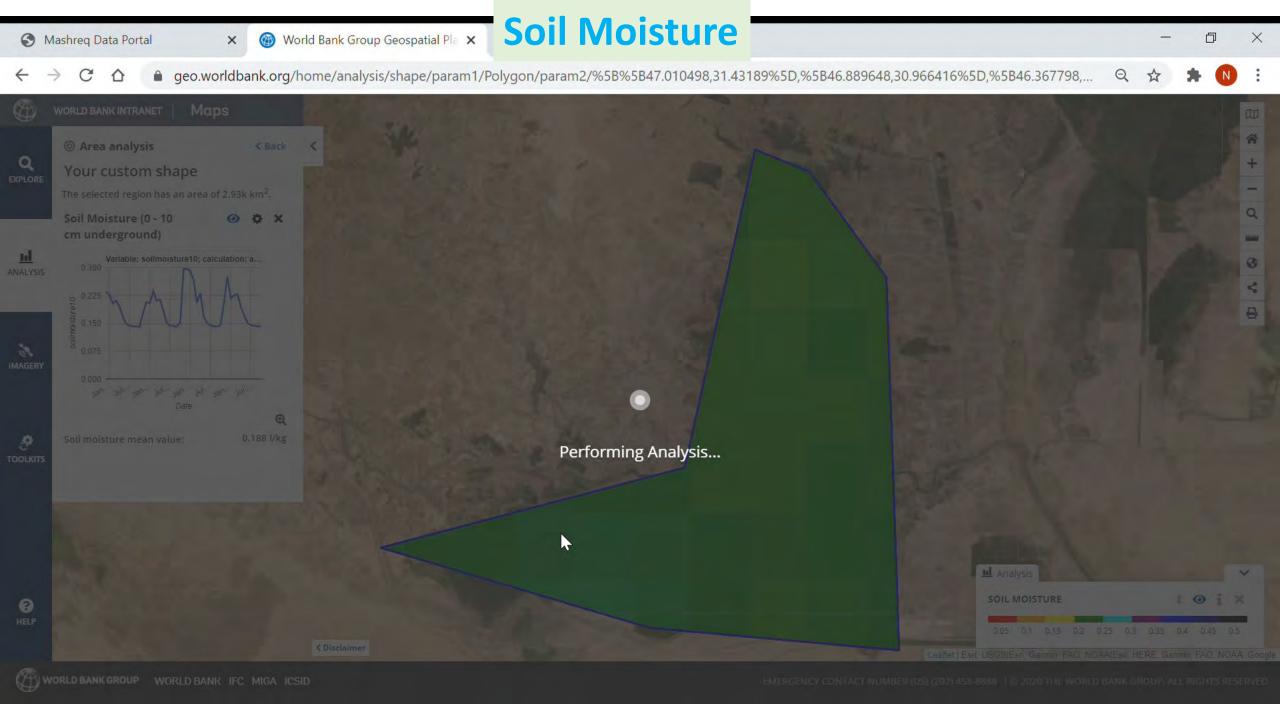




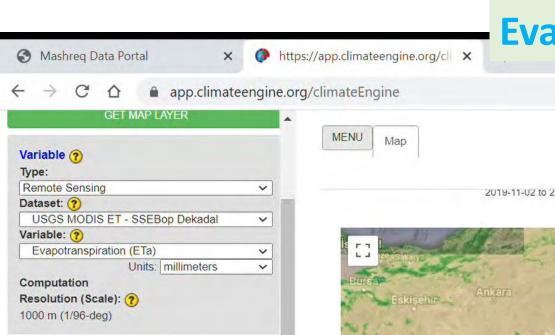


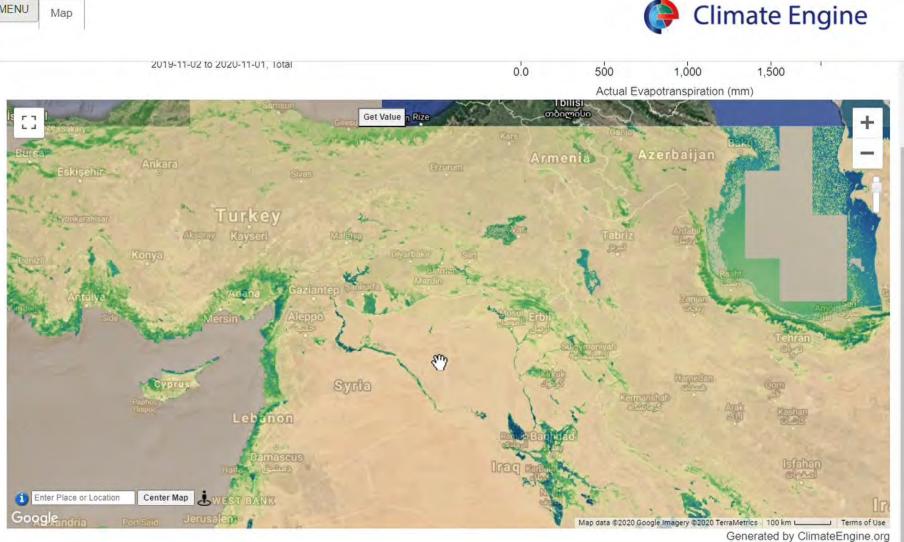






## **Evapo-Transpiration**





**GET MAP LAYER** 

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Calculation: (?)

Time Period ?

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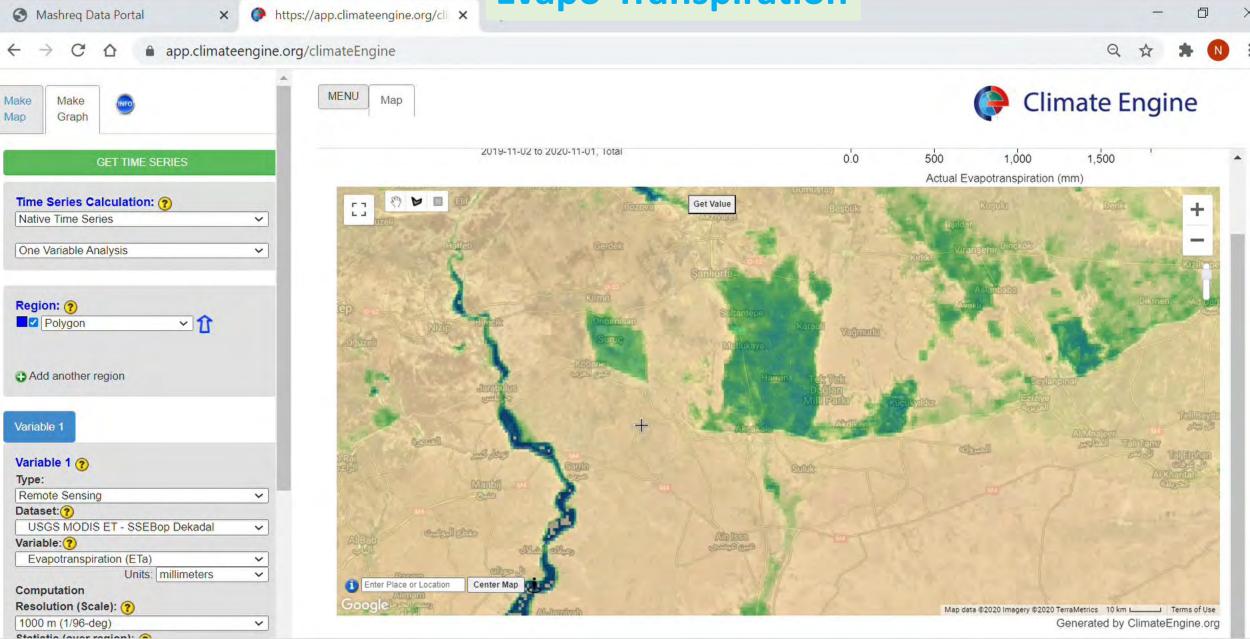
Last Year

Total

Statistic (over day range): ?

Period of Record: 2003-01-01 to 2020-11-01

# **Evapo-Transpiration**



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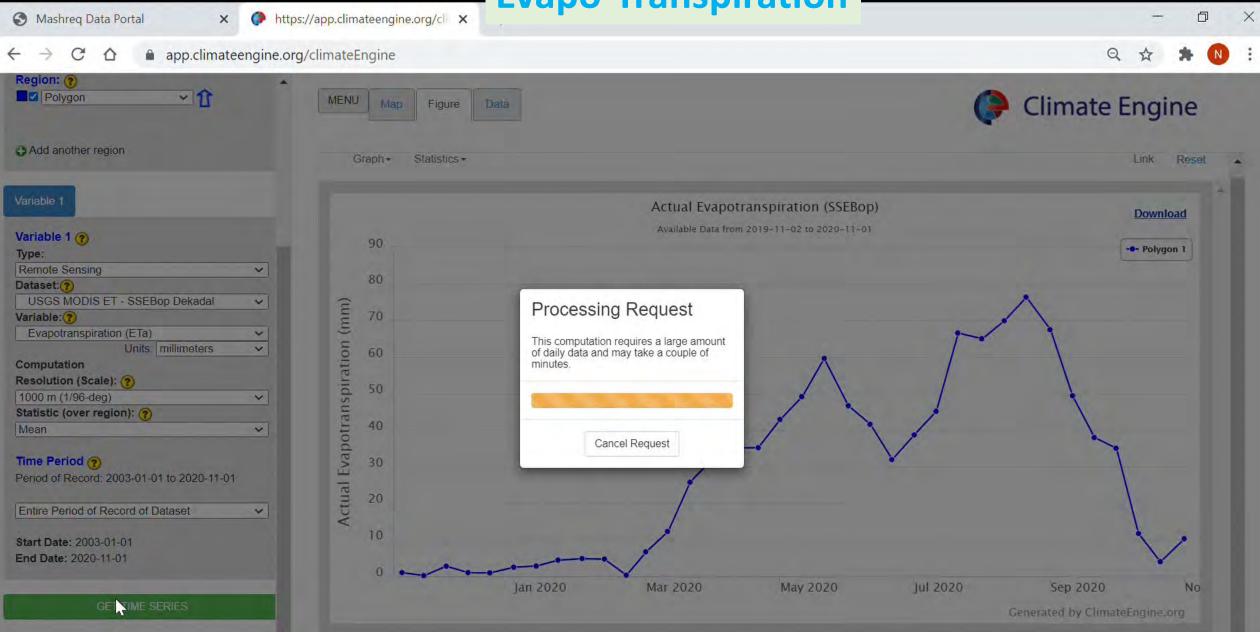
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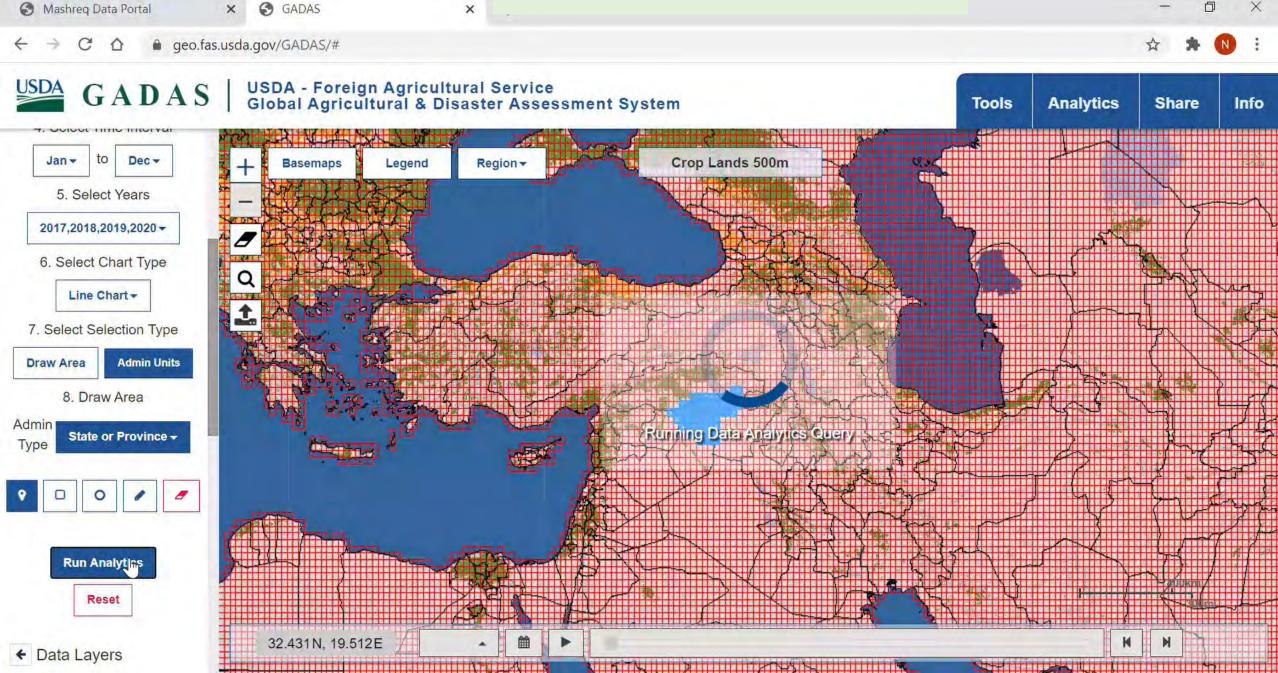
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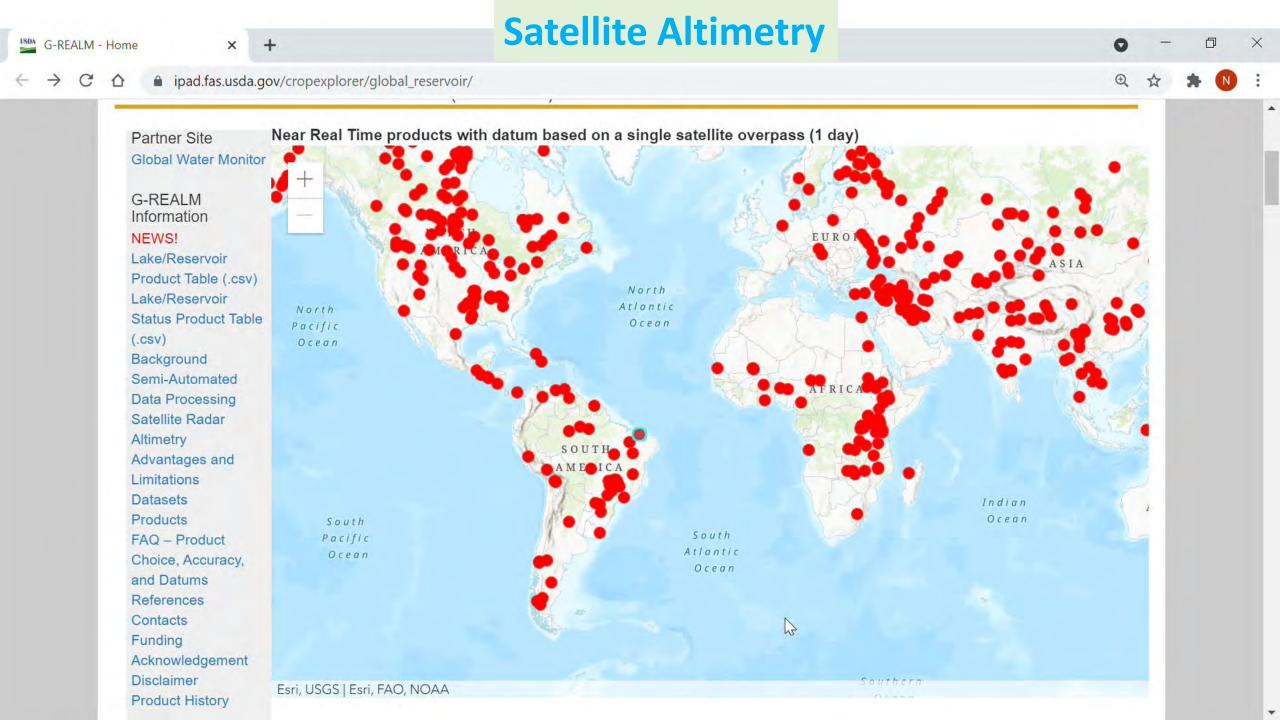
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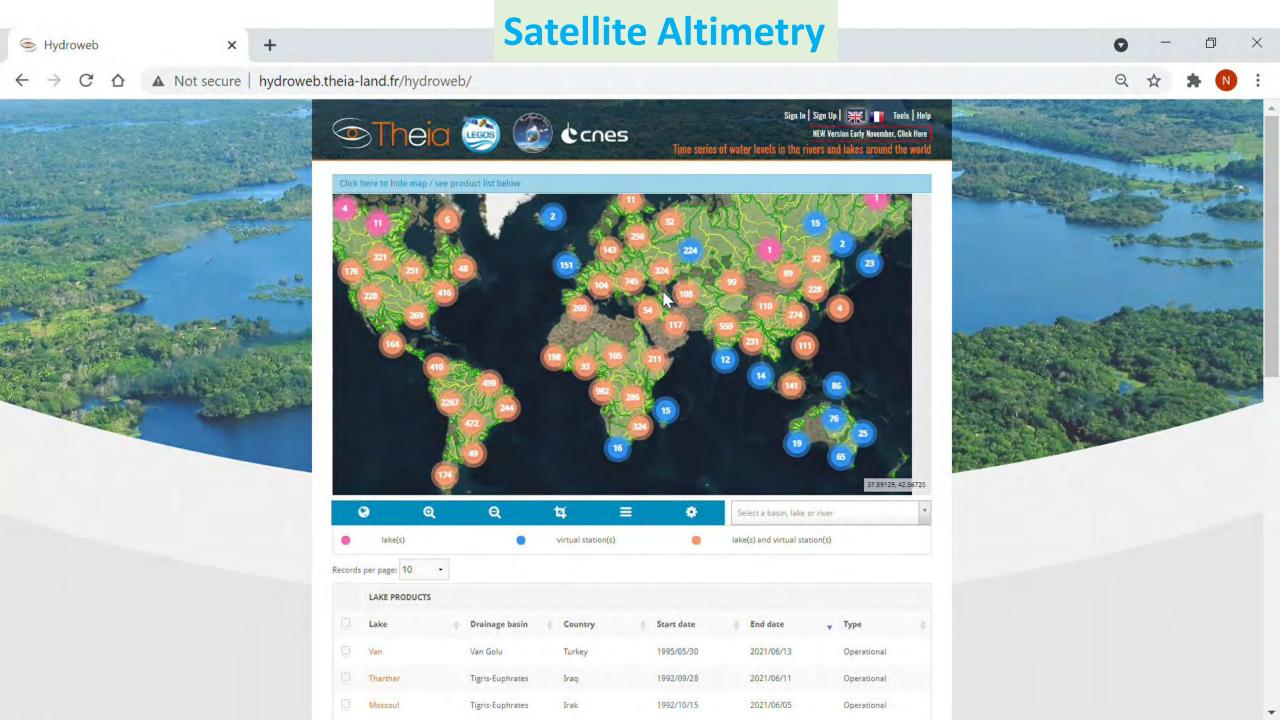
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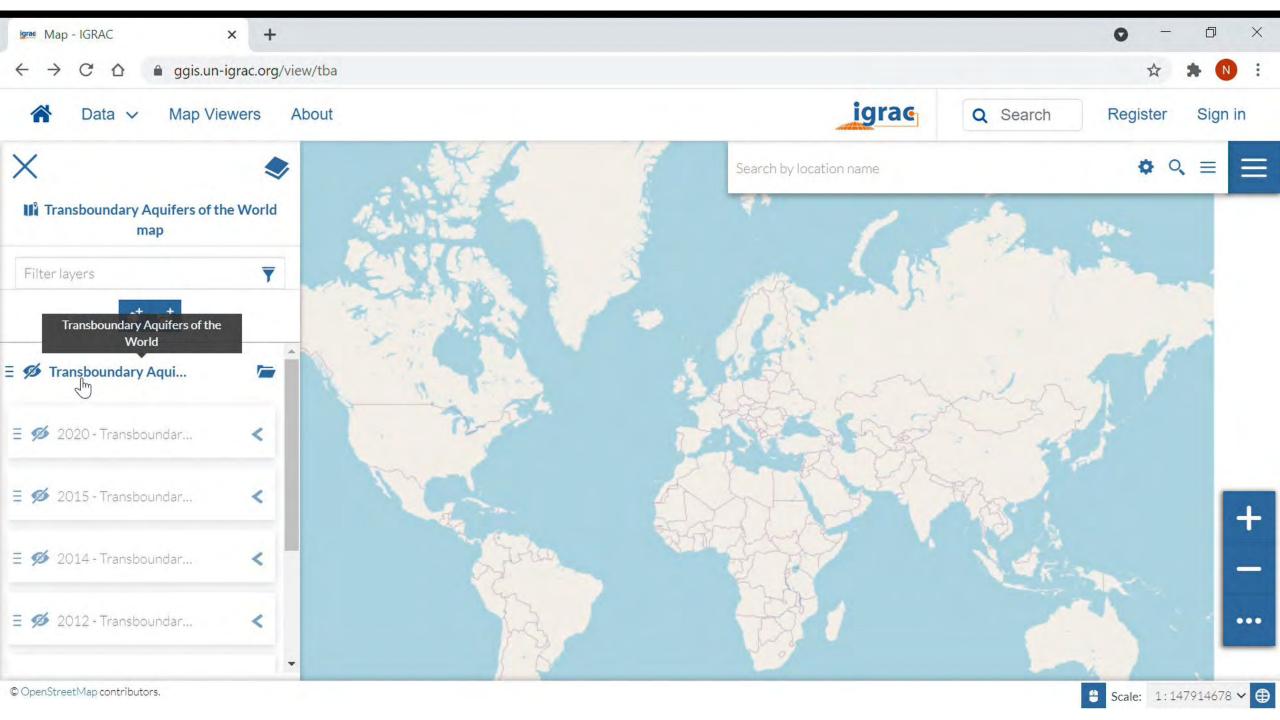


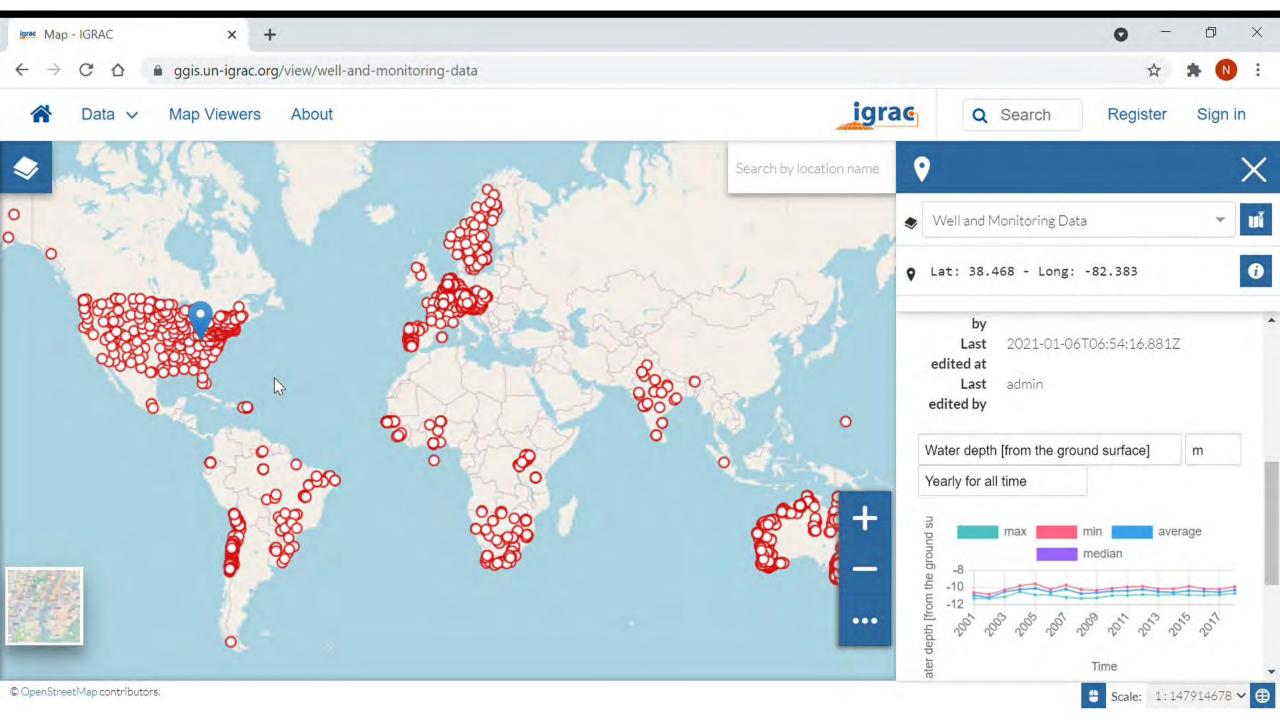
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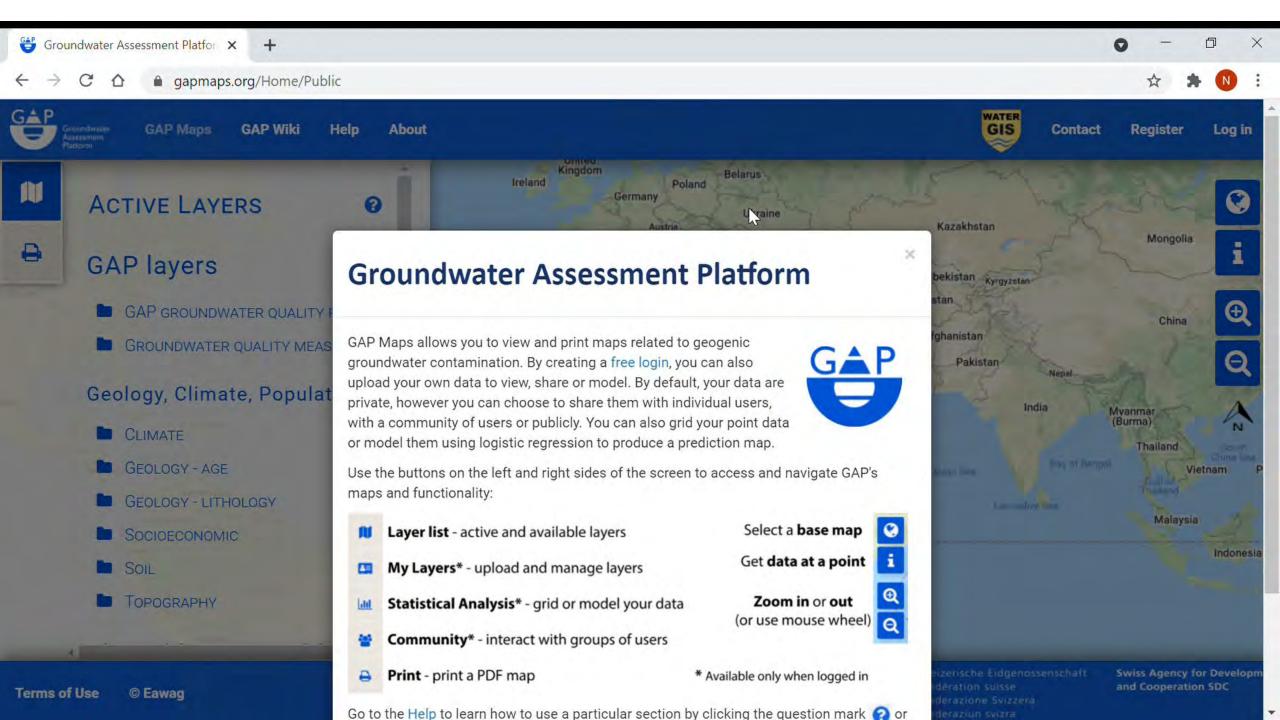


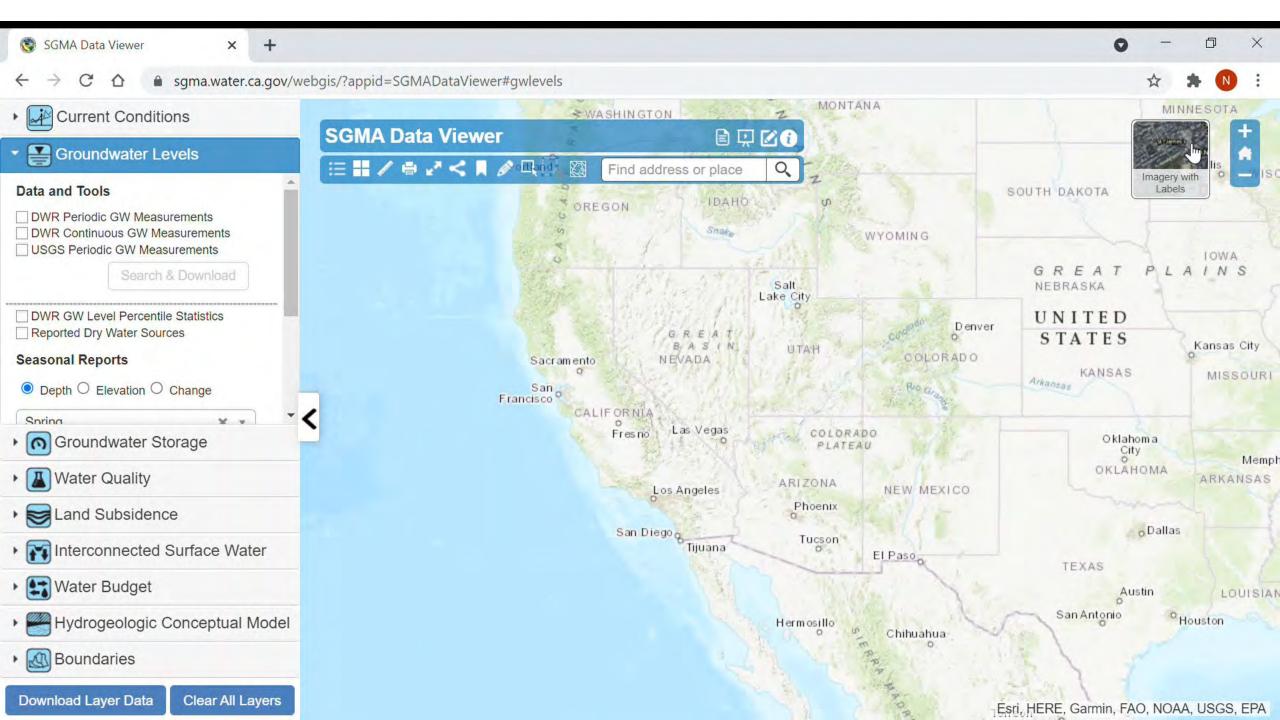


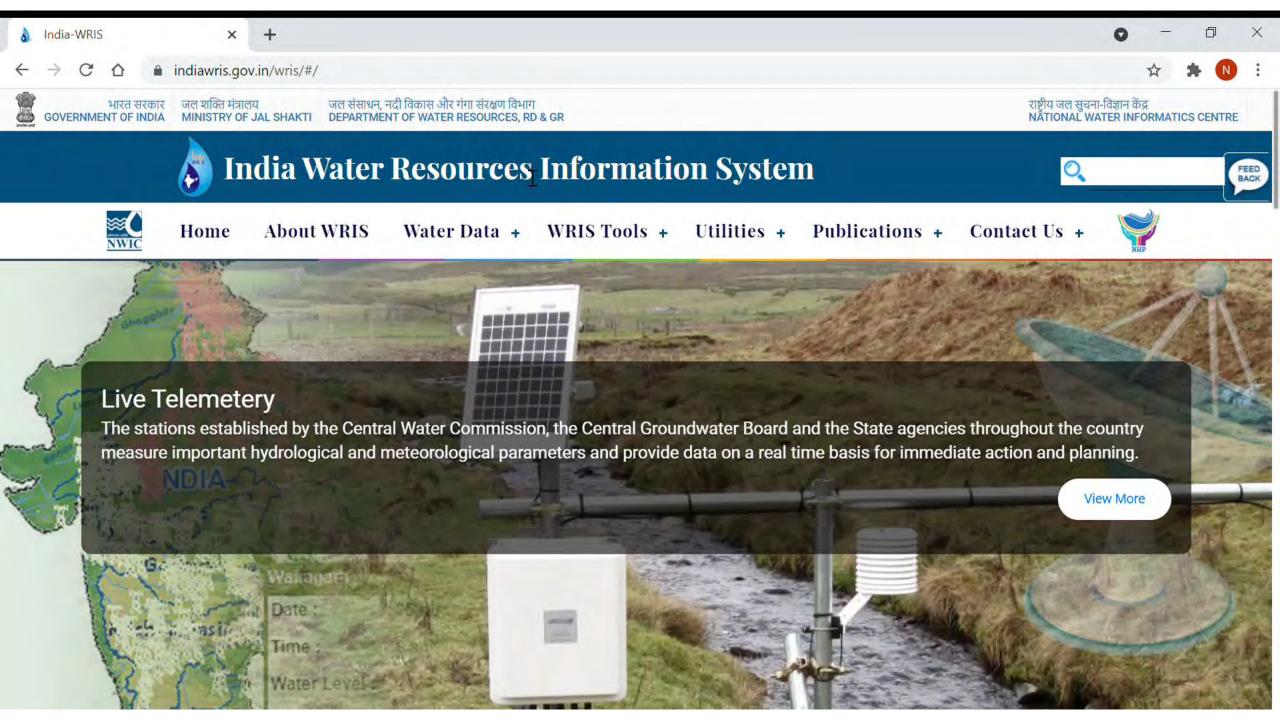
#### **Waterbody Area Dynamics (GEE)** Mashreq Data Portal Water Watch gena.users.earthengine.app/view/water-watch Earth Engine Apps Experimental Search places Layers 🔒 Satellite Dark Map waterbodies (all) rivers-large-gte1 rivers (Natural Earth) rivers-large-gte1 (zoom in) water (OSM) water occurrence Amol Sari black catchments (level 9) + DEM catchments (level 8) + DEM catchments (level 7) + DEM catchments (level 6) + DEM catchments (level 5) + DEM catchments (level 4) + DEM catchments (level 3) + DEM DEM Jerusa! Matruh Alexandria Port Said **Hide Chart** اسكندرية Google Map data @2020 Google, Mapa GISrael 100 km L Terms of Use

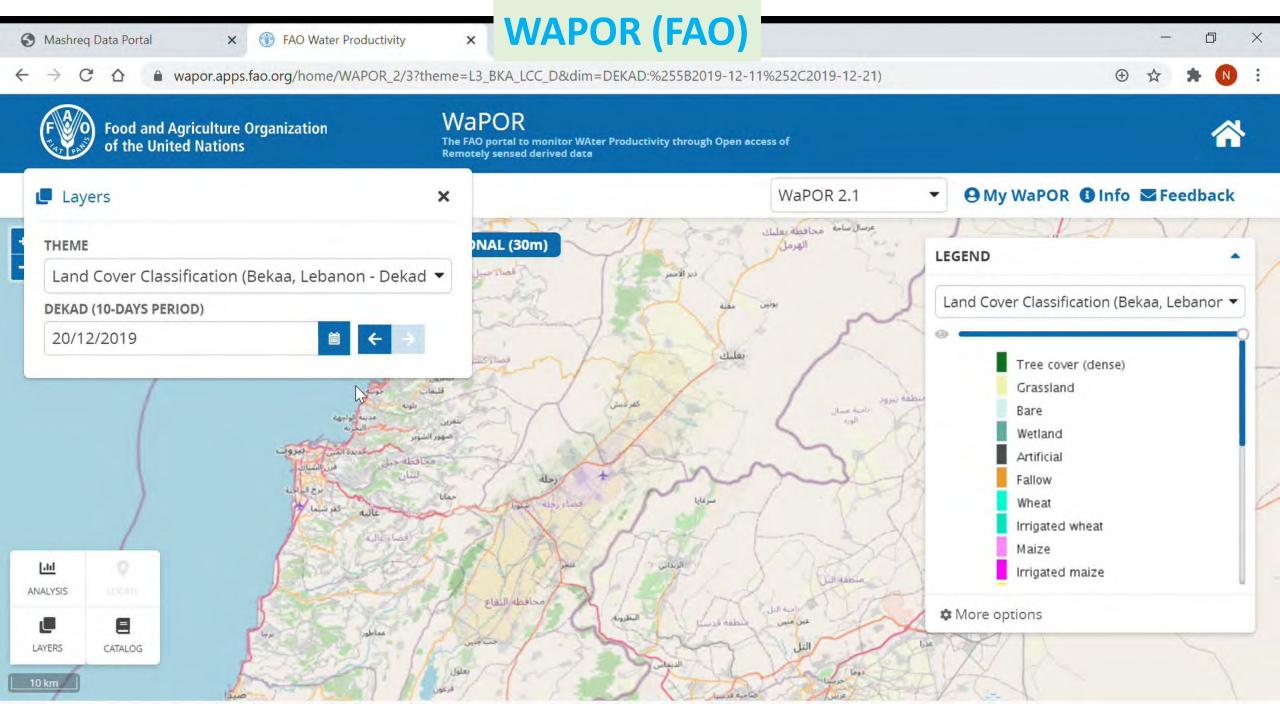


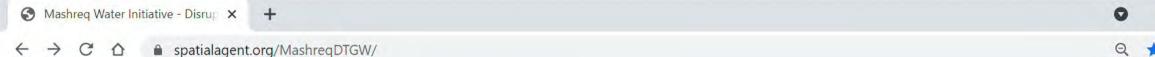
























#### Mashreq Water Initiative

#### Disruptive Tech in Groundwater



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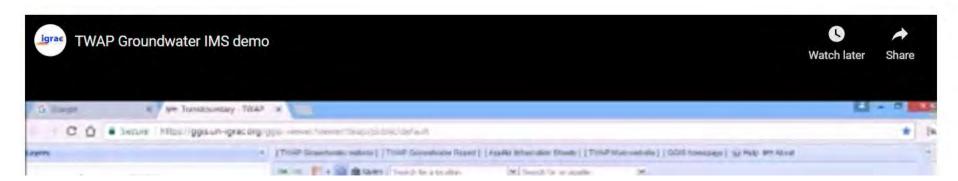
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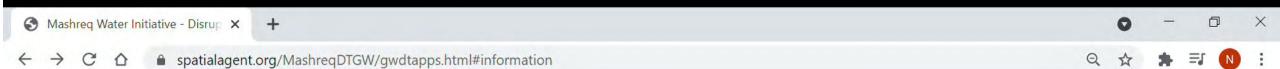
Online web services (including spatial data using OGC standards) and open data APIs are ushering a revolution of interactive dashboards to visualize data and analytics related to groundwater.

The UN (including UNESCWA) has been working with IGRAC and others to develop a UNESCO-IHP Groundwater Portal. The GGIS is an interactive portal for sharing data and information on groundwater resources around the world. It gives access to map layers, documents, and well and monitoring data. It also contains several thematic map viewers. There are also a number of sites that provide information globally on water points and their status but the information is often patchy.

The World Bank has also been helping improving awareness about relevant free, public-domain water related data through its initiatives such as the Water Data Portal, HydroInformatics Data Platform, and Water In Agriculture Data Platform. For the Mashreq Region, a Mashreq Water Data Platform has been developed.

The groundwater component of the Transboundary Waters Assessment Programme (TWAP) provides aggregated information for the main transboundary aquifers and Small Island Developing States (SIDS). The data that has been made available in the TWAP Groundwater Information System(link is external) includes core indicators, encompassing the hydrogeological, environmental, socio-economic and governance dimensions of the systems.

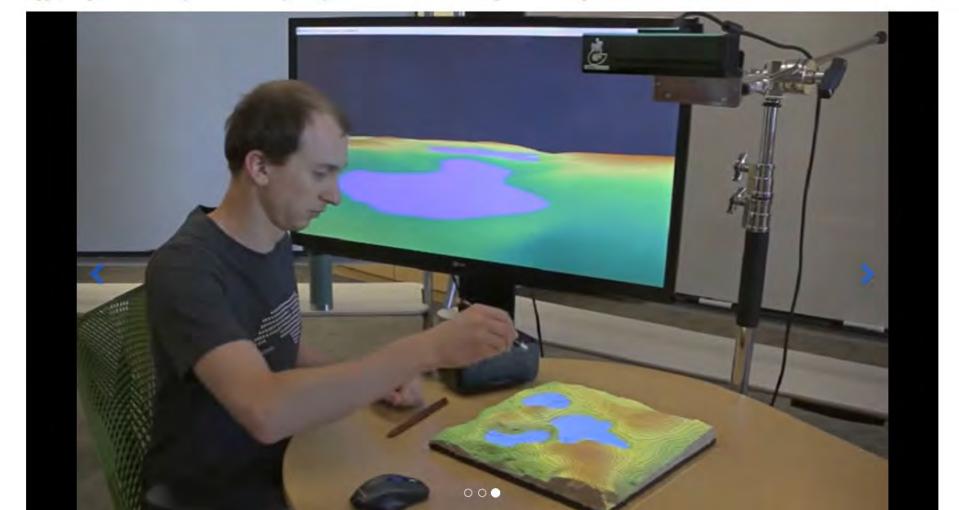


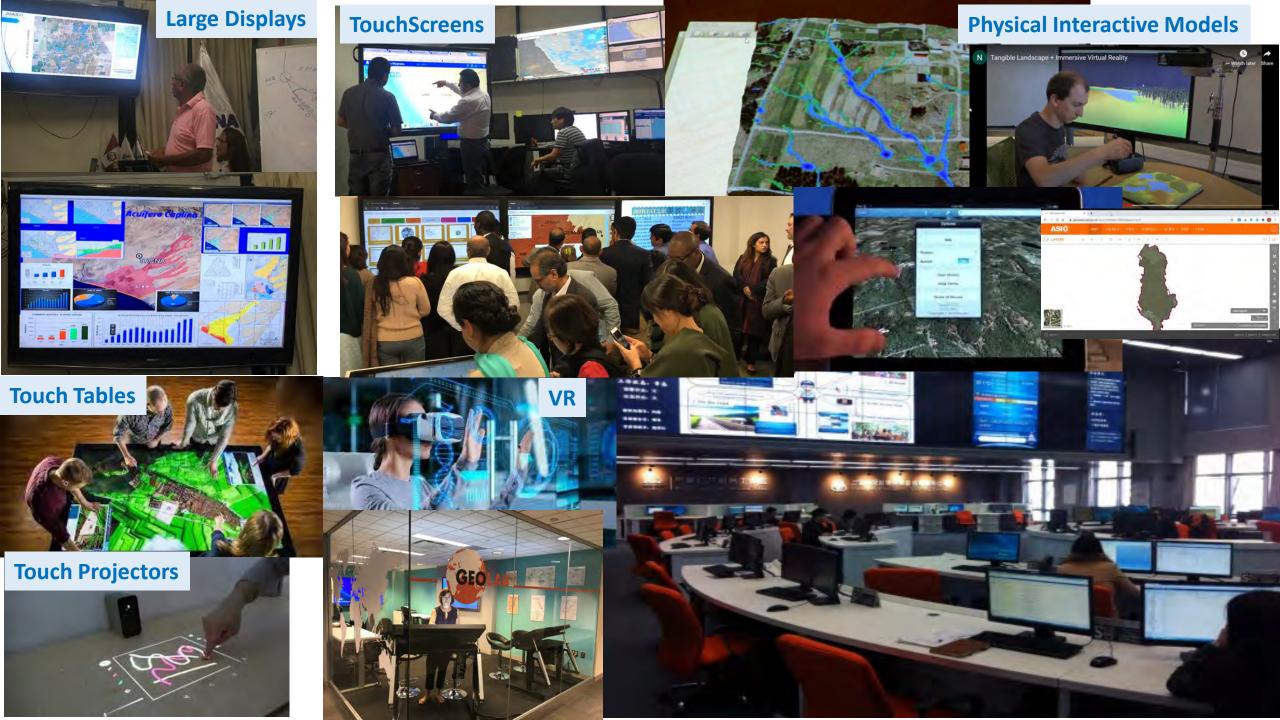


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Apps, Augmented Reality/Virtual Reality, or hybrid methods such as Tangible Landscape.





# Virtual Missions





Satellite Imagery **Drone Services Cloud Analytics/Mapping Flythroughs** 





Reflect in

Agenda,

**Presentations** 

Online/In-Situ Surveys/Interviews **Digital Twins** 

**Pre-Mission** 



Platform, Translation, Breakouts



Polls,

Work



Collaborative



Recordings



**Interactive Documents** 

**Virtual Mission** 

**Post-Mission** 

# Collect Field Data - Photogrammetry Models (Construction I









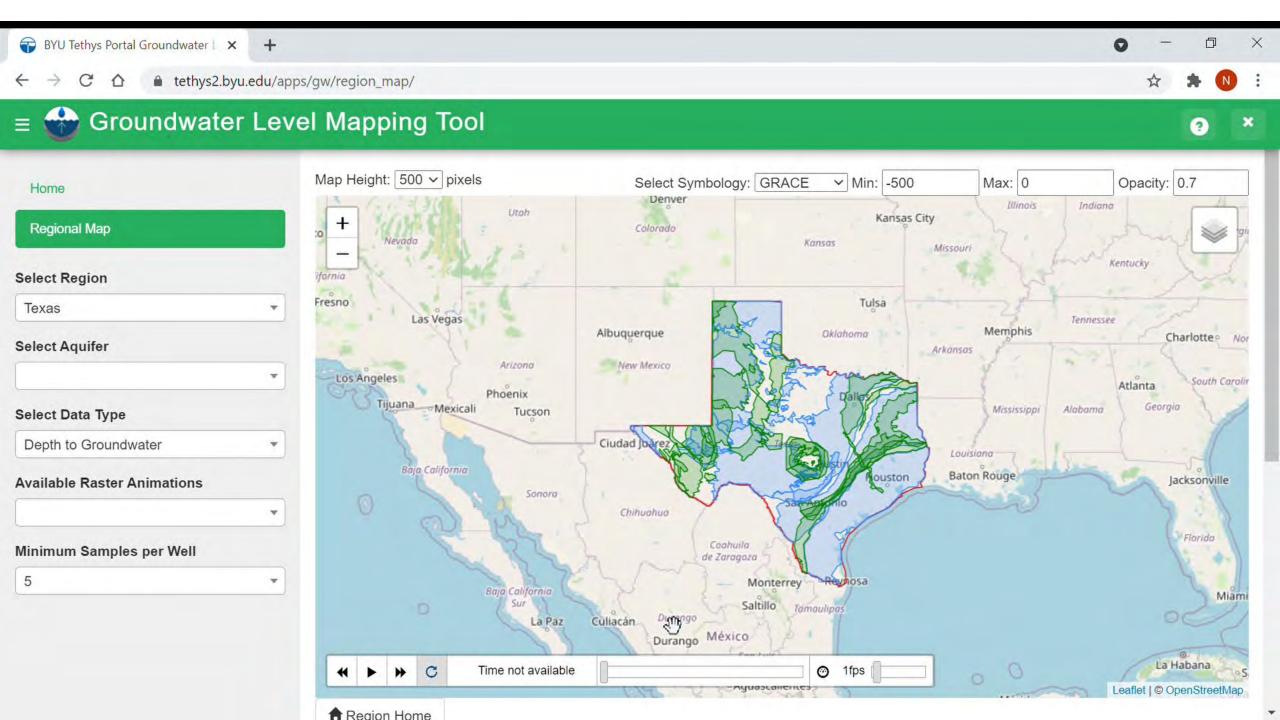
Photogrammetry model from Drone photos

**Photogrammetry model from Cell Phone photos** 



(3D holograms visualized in the office using a HoloLens and Ada Platform)



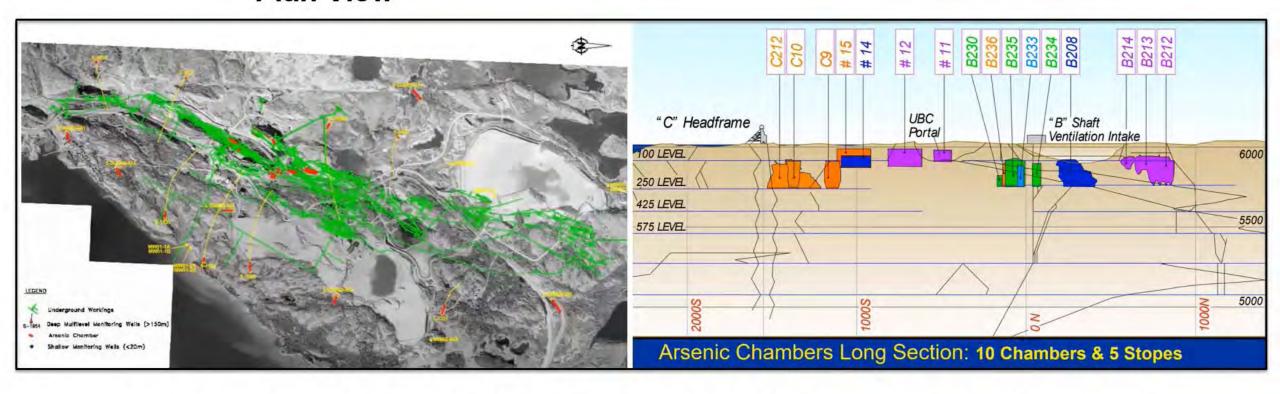


# Visualization of 3D Models – Underground Visualizati

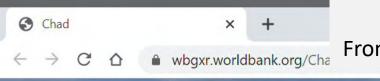


**Plan View** 

#### **Cross-Section**



INSFRASTRUCTURE, IMU SURVEY DATA, RESERVOIR MODELS, BOREHOLE DATA, GEOPHYSICS, INSTRUMENTATION, ETC.



#### **Development Scenario Visualization on Landscapes**

From Aurelie Rossignol and the Bank VR Team: <a href="https://wbgvr.org/Albia">https://wbgvr.org/Albia</a>



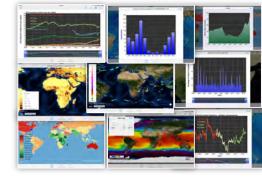




#### **Illustrative Interactive Dashboards**

**Example for Dam Operation** 

Decisions to be Supported: When to release? How much to release?







#### Climate

- Rainfall in upstream watershed (GPM, in-situ gauges/radar, CHIRPS, ...) – current & historical
- Weather forecasts (short-term, seasonal); Storm tracks
- Snowmelt estimates (if relevant)...

#### **Flows**

- Current and historical flows (from in-situ observations, satellite estimates where possible)
- Dam inflow forecasts (e.g. from GEOGLOWS Global Streamflow Forecasting, local forecasts)...

#### **System Levels**

 Current and historical levels of this dam's reservoir as well as other storages in system (e.g. from satellite, in-situ gauges)...







#### **Downstream**

- Irrigation status (crops, crop stage from earth observation and in-situ)
- Soil and sub-surface soil moisture, groundwater (from earth observation and in-situ)...

#### Other Data & Analytics

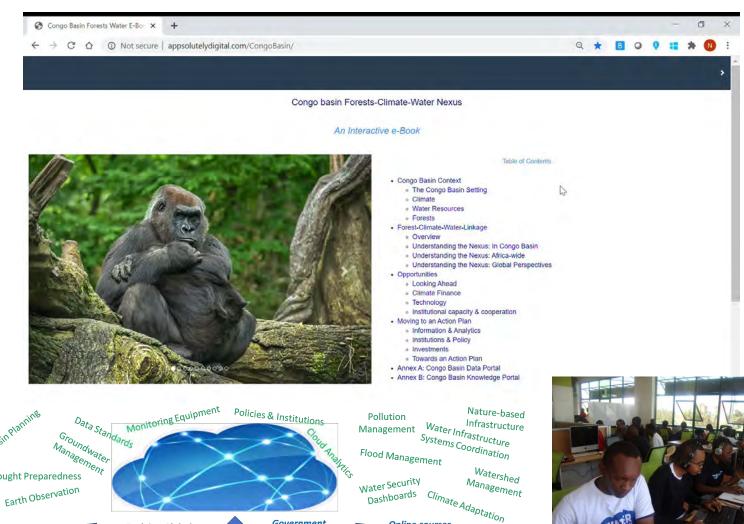
- Inundation forecasts
- Systems water infrastructure needs
- Systems model to explore implications of alternative dam operations
- Hi-resolution Satellite data
  - Crowdsourced data

Need to draw upon global and other accessible data and analytic services to make interactive maps, graphs, and analytics for such decision support dashboards that are accessible on portals, apps, e-books, touchscreens, etc.

E-Packaging of Knowledge (e.g. Interactive E-books/ Storymaps)

#### **Outreach**

(e.g. virtual/online learning, hackathons, Expos)







Videoconference/Collaborative Digital

Networks

Lessons

Learned

Virtual Seminars on Key

**Topics from Global Experts** 

**Private Sector Perspectives** 



Online courses,

e-books

**Professional** 

Networking

Virtual Desktop Participation; e-learning



# Groundwater Management Challenges



## **Information**

Understanding and monitoring groundwater systems (e.g. aquifers, extraction, recharge, quality)

Analytic insights into specific groundwater links to water cycle and inform longer-term planning and shorter-term operational decision support



## **Institutions**

Institutional arrangements to work across spatial and sectoral scales

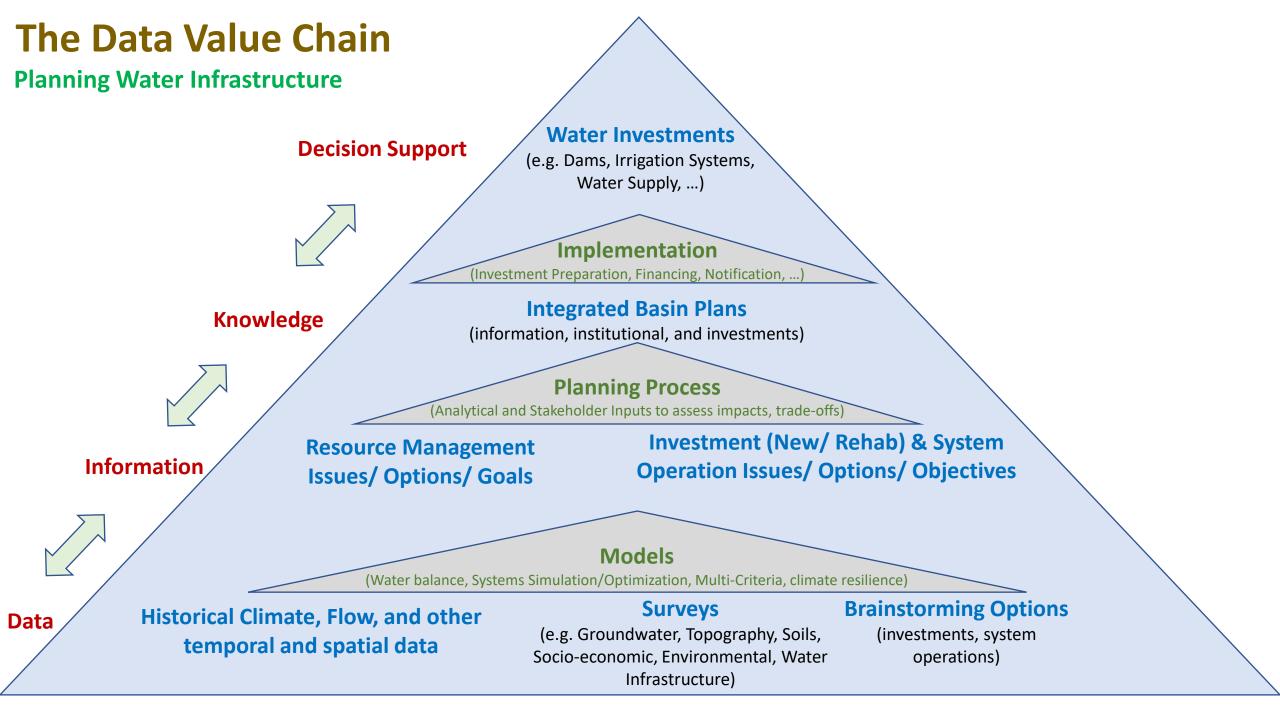
Capacity, policies, and instruments to effectively manage groundwater effectively and sustainably



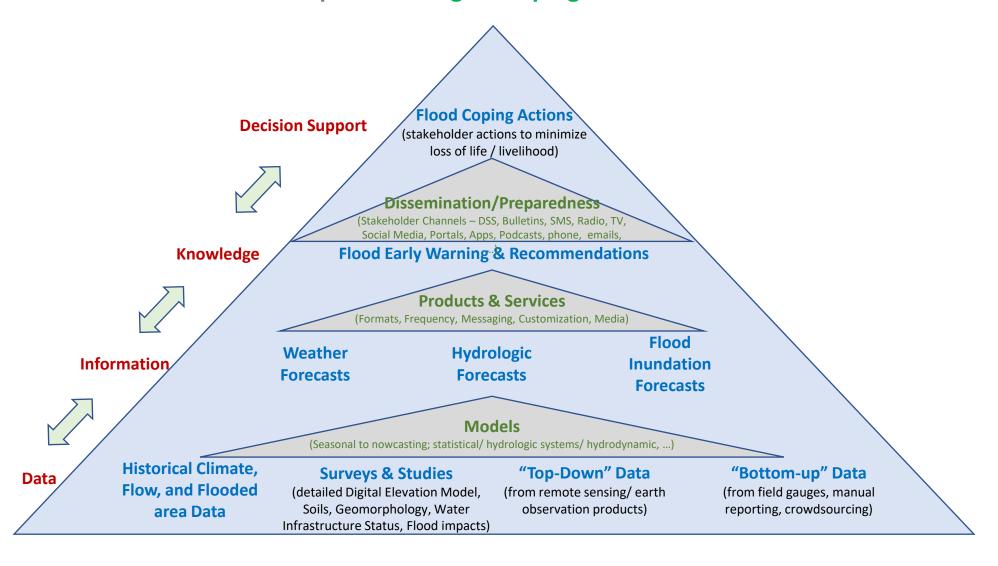
### **Investments**

Planning and operation of extraction and recharge investments in a systems context

Development and climate scenariobased investment planning considering technical, environmental, social, economic, financial, institutional, and other sustainability aspects



# The Data Value Chain Example: Deciding on Coping with Floods



# In Summary

- Rapidly evolving technologies have the potential to "disrupt" traditional challenges in groundwater management
- Reimagine Information, Institutions/Policy and Investments with a broader spatial and sectoral perspective
- Great potential to leverage (and contribute to) global, regional, and national hydroinformatics data and analytics for local benefit
- Improve ecosystem of new open data services and collaboration across sectors and countries
- Improved access to "wholesale" data, analytics, knowledge learning platforms and engaging all stakeholders (incl. youth)



























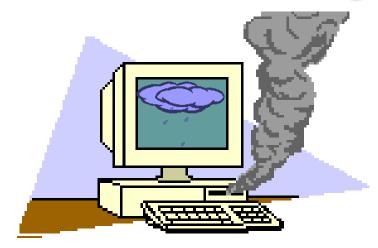






# Disrupt or Be Disrupted!

# Thanks!



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