## TAPER – A Water Management Tool for Flood Operations of the Arkansas River within Tulsa District

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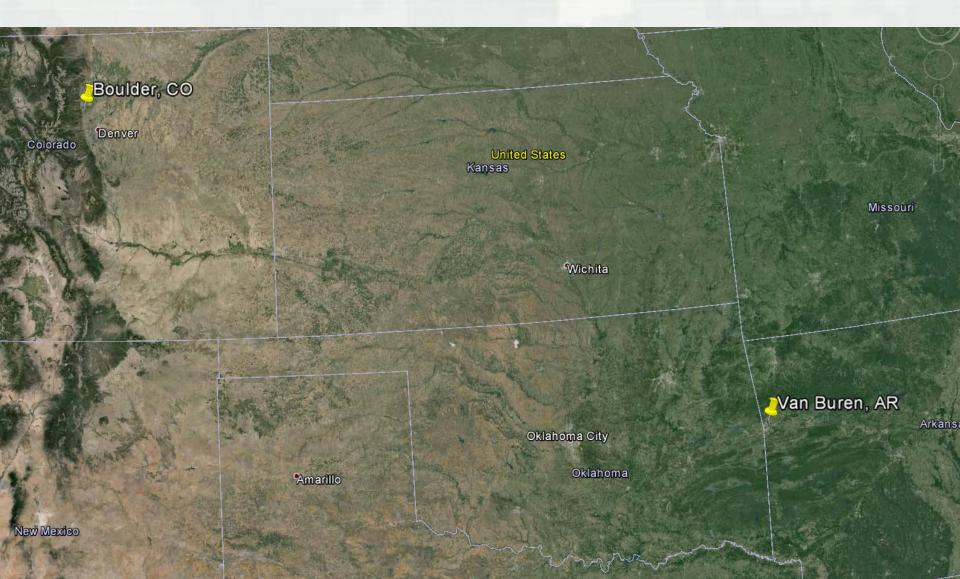
#### Introduction

- TAPER Definition
- Arkansas River Watershed
- Goals
- Historic TAPER Program
- RiverWare
- Initial Conditions
- Rules
  - ▶ Surcharge
  - ► Regulation Discharge
  - ► Flood Control
- Results
- Conclusion

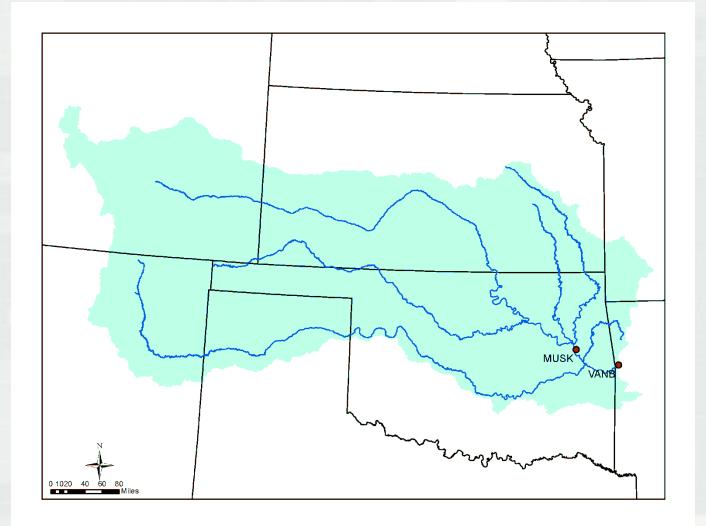




## Location



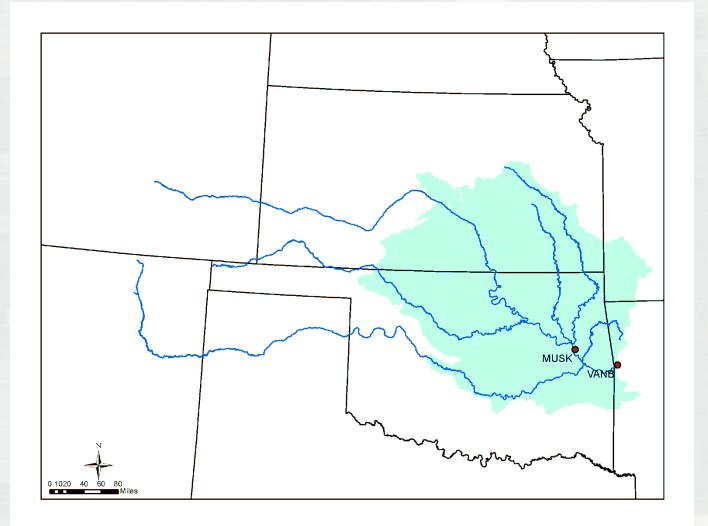
## Arkansas River Drainage Area







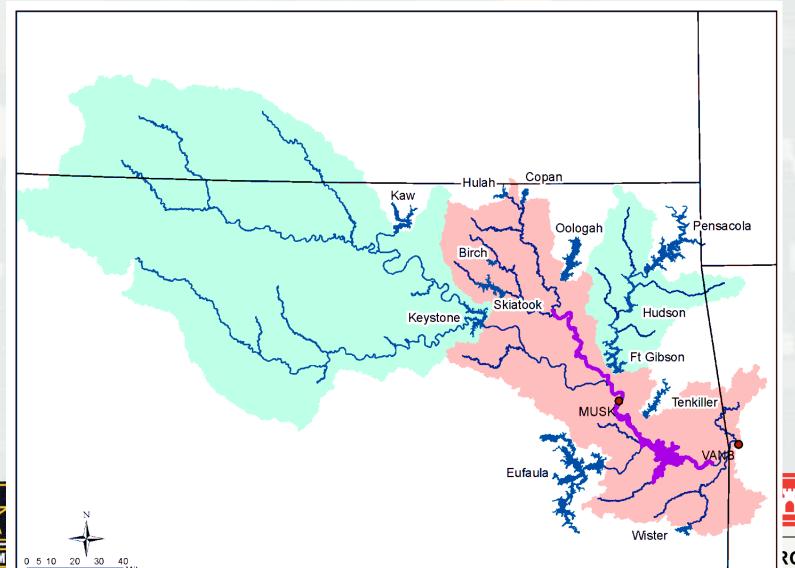
## Contributing Drainage Area







## TAPER Projects







#### Goals

- Prevent flooding
- Evacuate flood pools according to approved Water Management Plan
- Maintain navigation operations







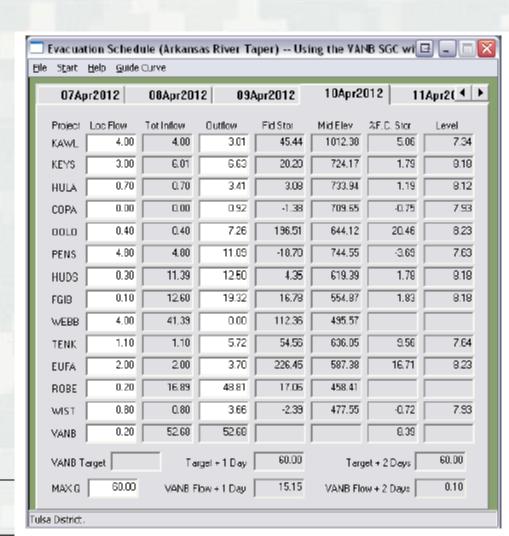


## Water Management

- History of Development
  - **► TAPER** 
    - Daily average

      - > Release
  - ▶ Advantage
    - Quick
  - ▶ Disadvantage
    - Fluctuation of flows





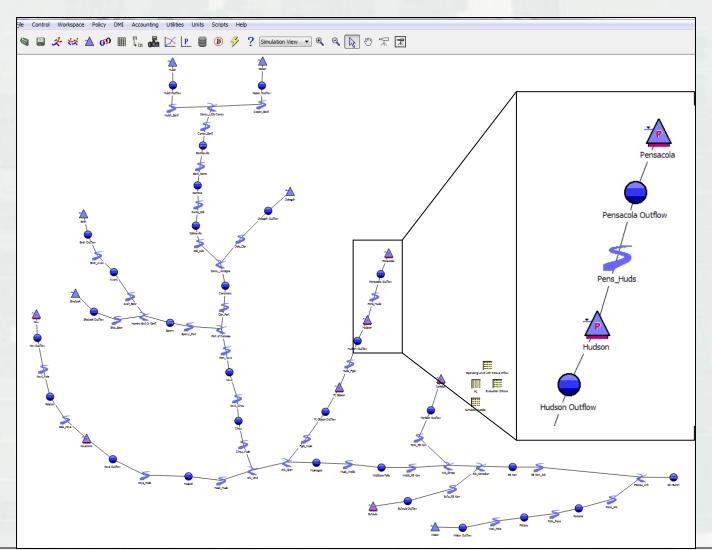
#### RiverWare

- Developed by CADSWES (Colorado Center for Advanced Decision Support for Water and Environmental System)
- Reservoir and river modeling system
- Operational and decision support tool





## RiverWare







#### **Initial Conditions**

- WCDS data
  - ▶ 30 days pre-simulation release and locals
  - ▶ Initial Elevation
- Routed through system
- Forecast data (HEC-1) or water managers input
  - ► Reservoir inflows
  - ► Local runoff



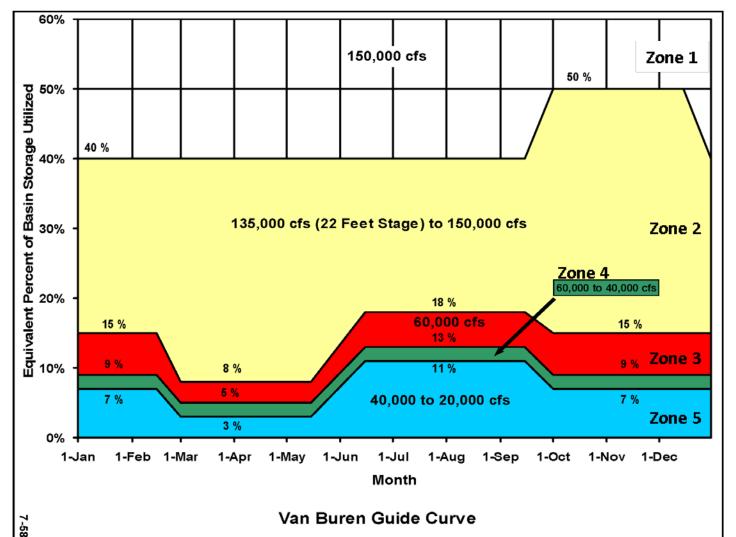
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  - ► Set target flows
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#### Seasonal Guide Curve







# Equivalent Percent of Basin Storage Utilized

 $\frac{\sum_{@t} Project \ Storages + (\sum_{t}^{t+3} Project \ Inflows - \sum_{t}^{t+3} Project \ Releases)}{\sum_{@t} Project \ Flood \ Control \ Storage} * 100$ 

 $\sum_{t}^{t+3} Project \ Releases \sim 180,000 \ ac-ft$ 

▷ Approximation for 1<sup>st</sup> run







#### **MRM** Iterations

- 1st run
  - ▶ 3 Days of releases is approximately 180,000 ac-ft
  - ► Estimate of 3 days of releases for lower flows at VANB
- 2<sup>nd</sup> run
  - ► =3 Days of releases of projects
  - ► Set by previous run
  - ► Run through 3 iterations for solution





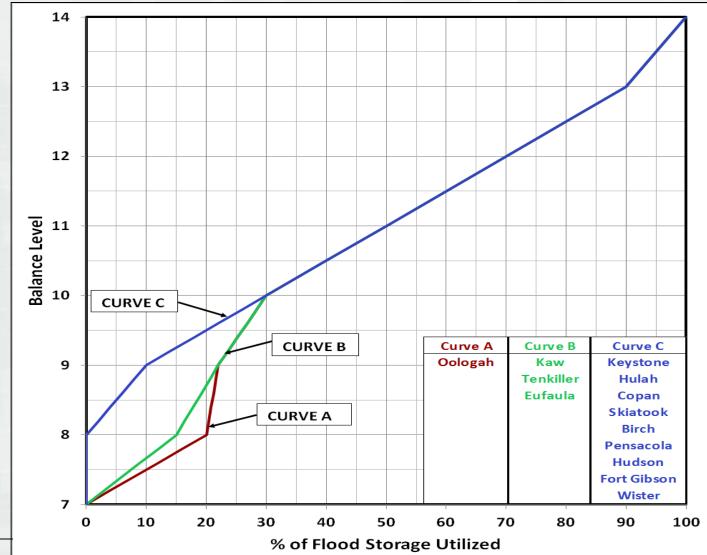
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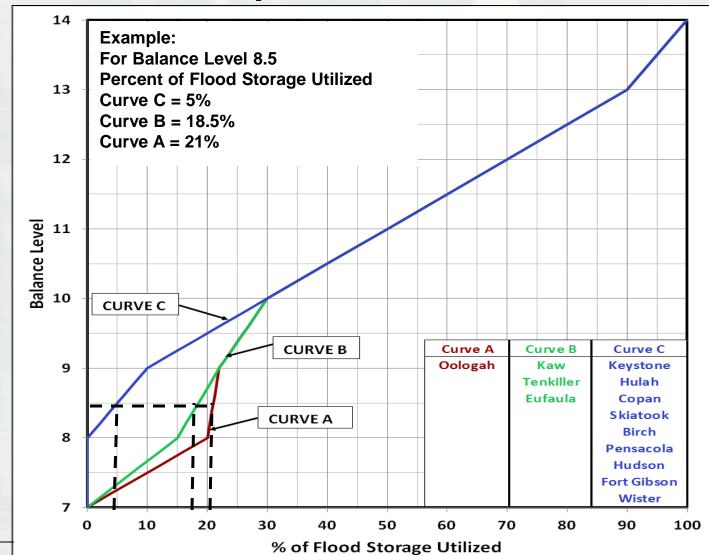
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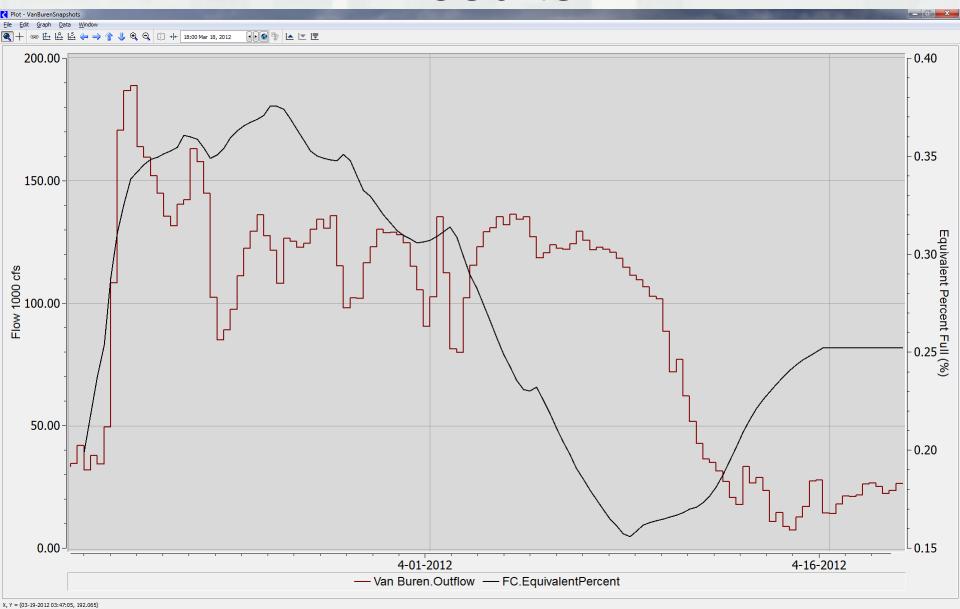
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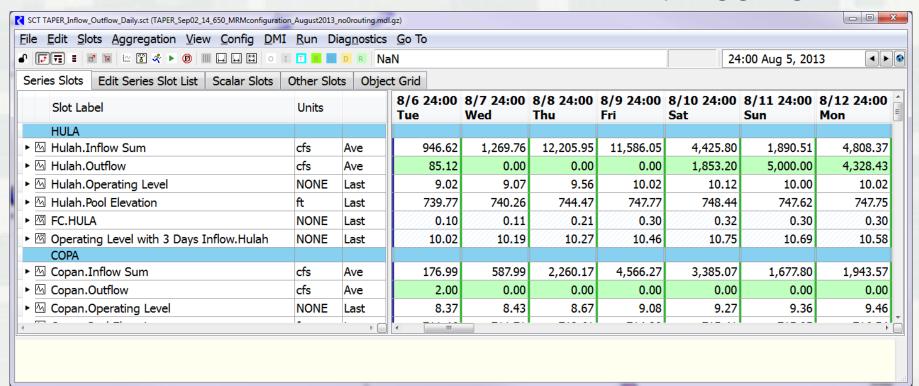


## Results



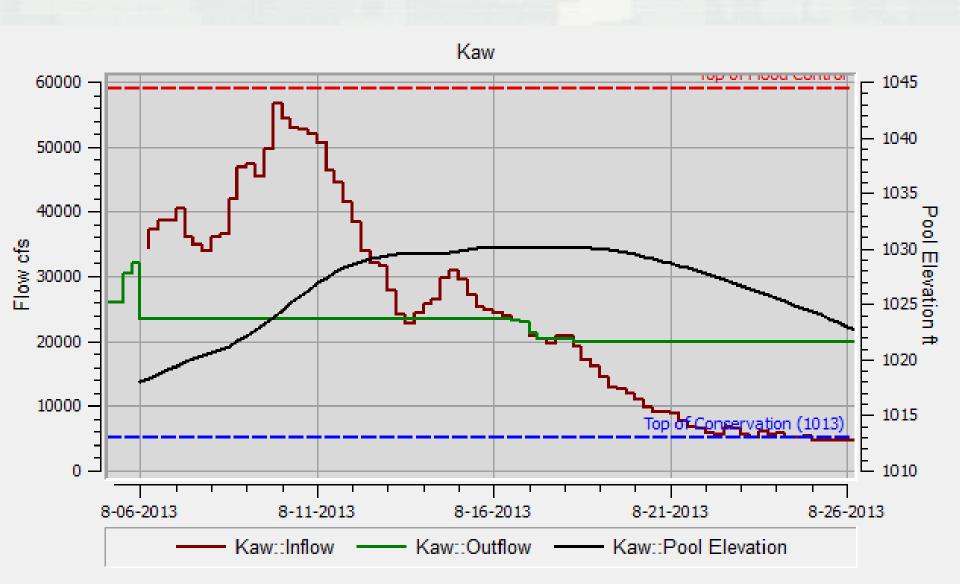
#### Results

- System Control Table (SCT)
  - ► Summarizes 6-hr results with daily aggregate

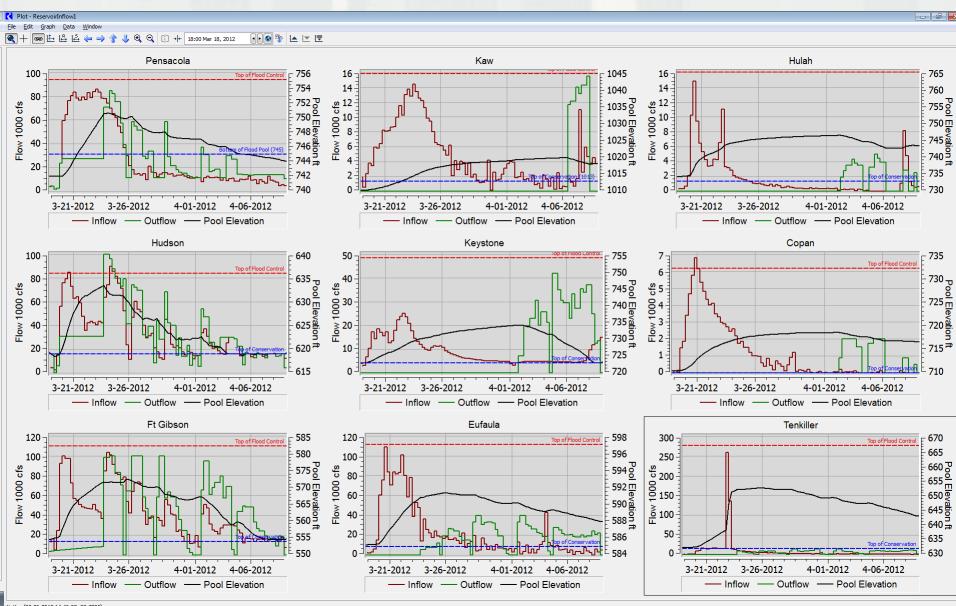




## **Plots**

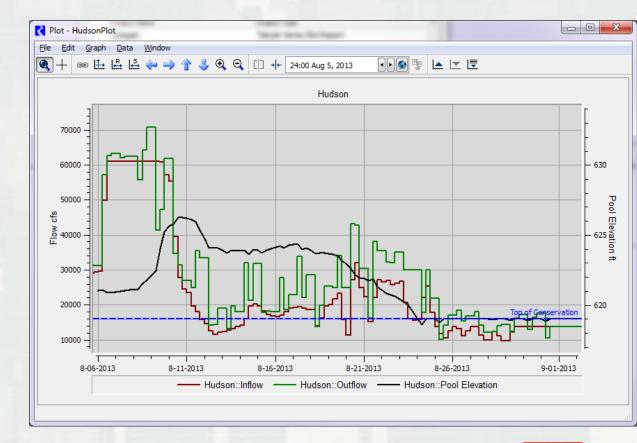


### **Grid Plots**



## Output

- Plots
- Tables
- Html
- Text files
- DSS files







## Html

#### Tenkiller

		Outflow 1000 cfs	Elevation ft	VANB Outflow 1000 cfs	VANB Target 1000 cfs
03-18-2012 24:00	0.89	0.00	632.39	42.07	135.00
03-19-2012 06:00	0.43	0.00	632.41	32.22	135.00
03-19-2012 12:00	1.12	0.00	632.45	38.10	135.00
03-19-2012 18:00	0.88	0.00	632.48	34.54	135.00
03-19-2012 24:00	1.12	0.00	632.52	49.55	135.00
03-20-2012 06:00	8.83	0.00	632.84	108.22	135.00





## Questions





