

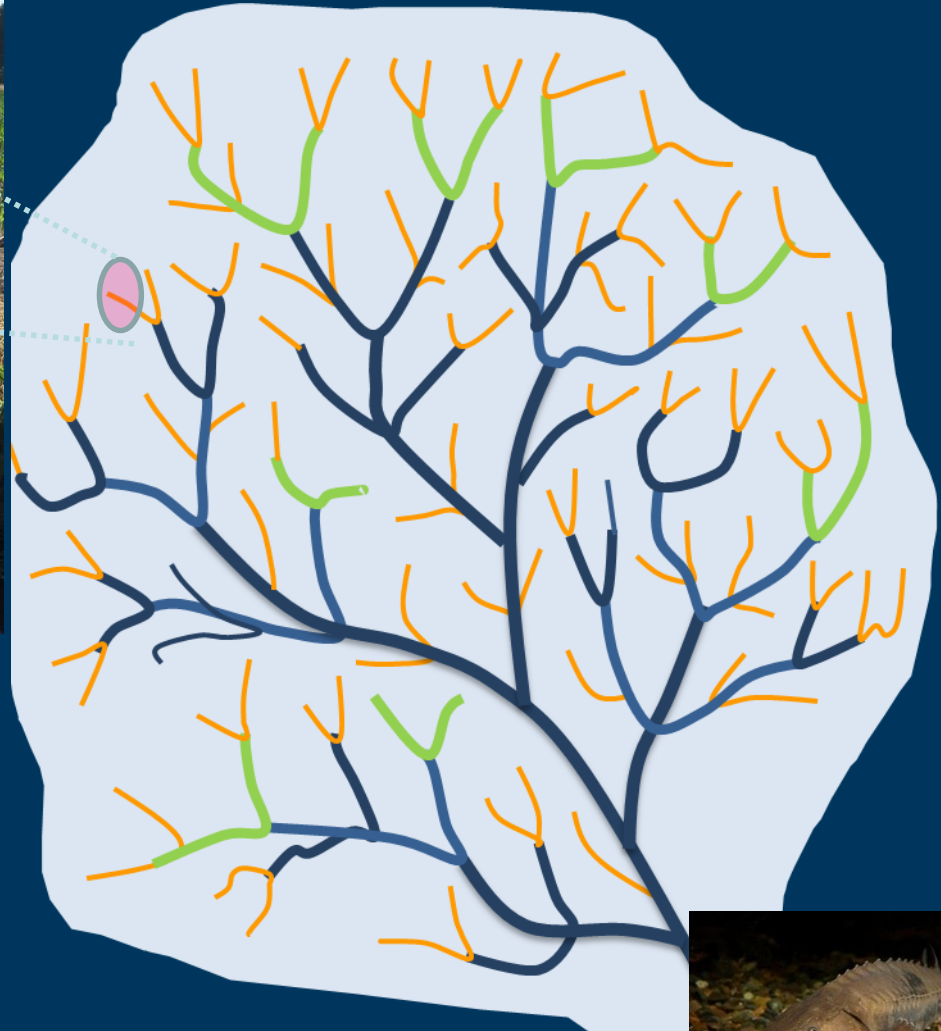
Q: What do we know about the relative effectiveness at the watershed scale of practices designed to prevent mobilization of sediment and associated nutrients from sources other than legacy sediment?

RESPONSE:

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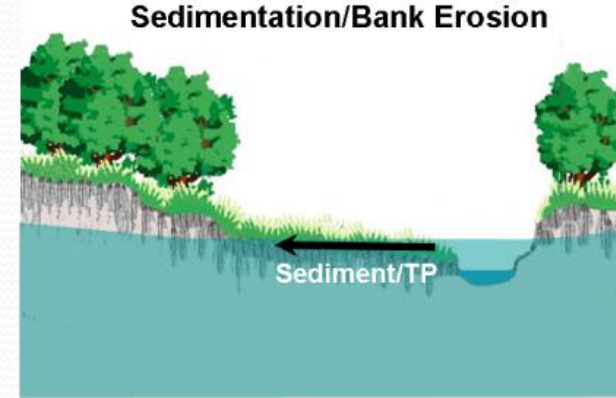
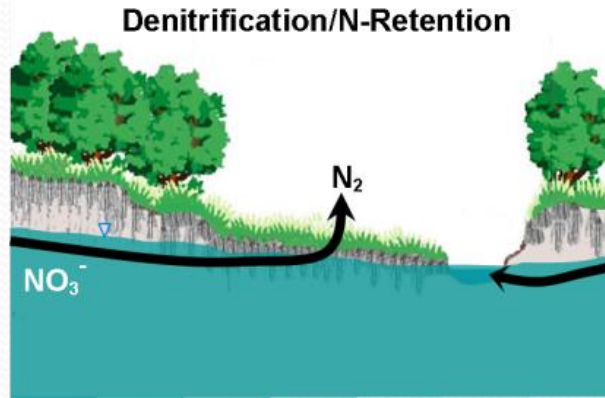
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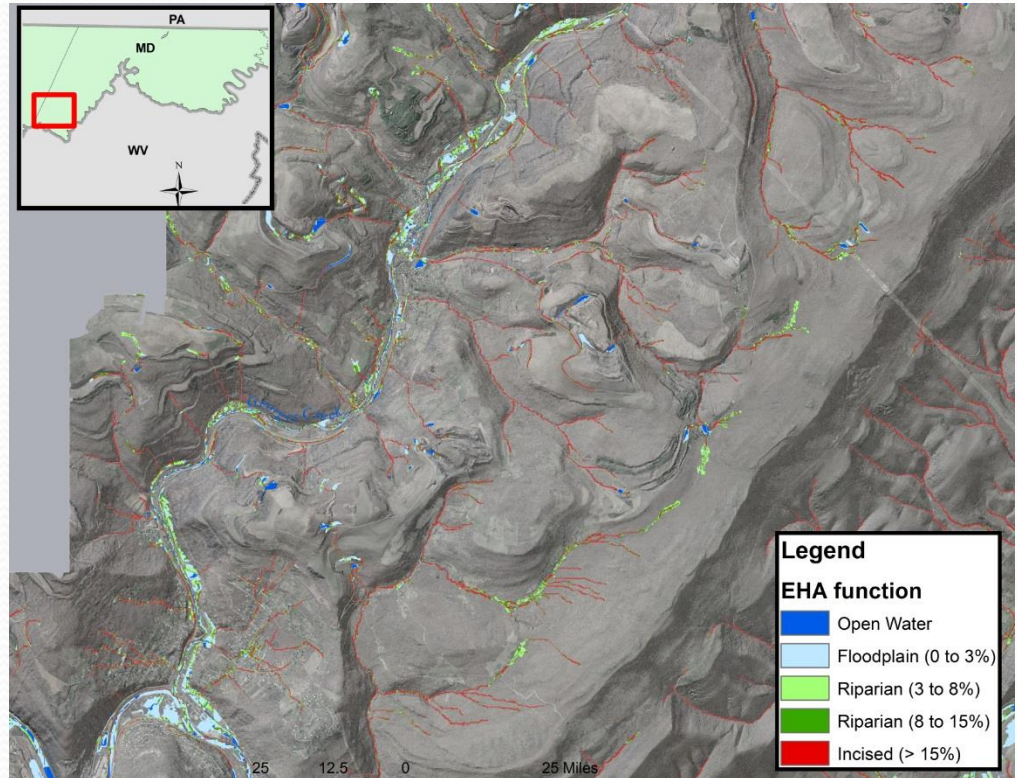
Step 1: Identify Universe of Opportunities



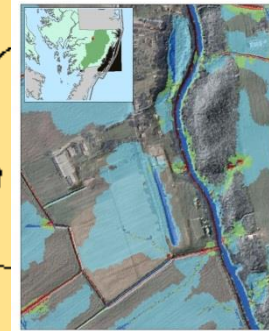
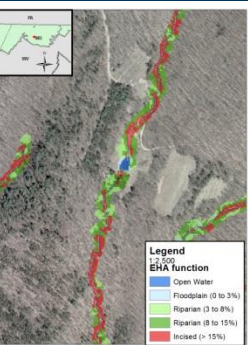
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High Resolution Topography Data Derived from Light Detection And Ranging (LIDAR) Remote Sensing Data

Flood and Gutellus 1997
J. of Photogrammetry & Remote Sensing



BMP Opportunities Depend on Location and Climate Conditions



GENERAL PHYSIOGRAPHIC REGIONS OF MARYLAND

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COASTAL PLAIN

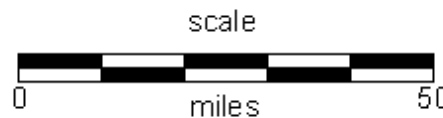
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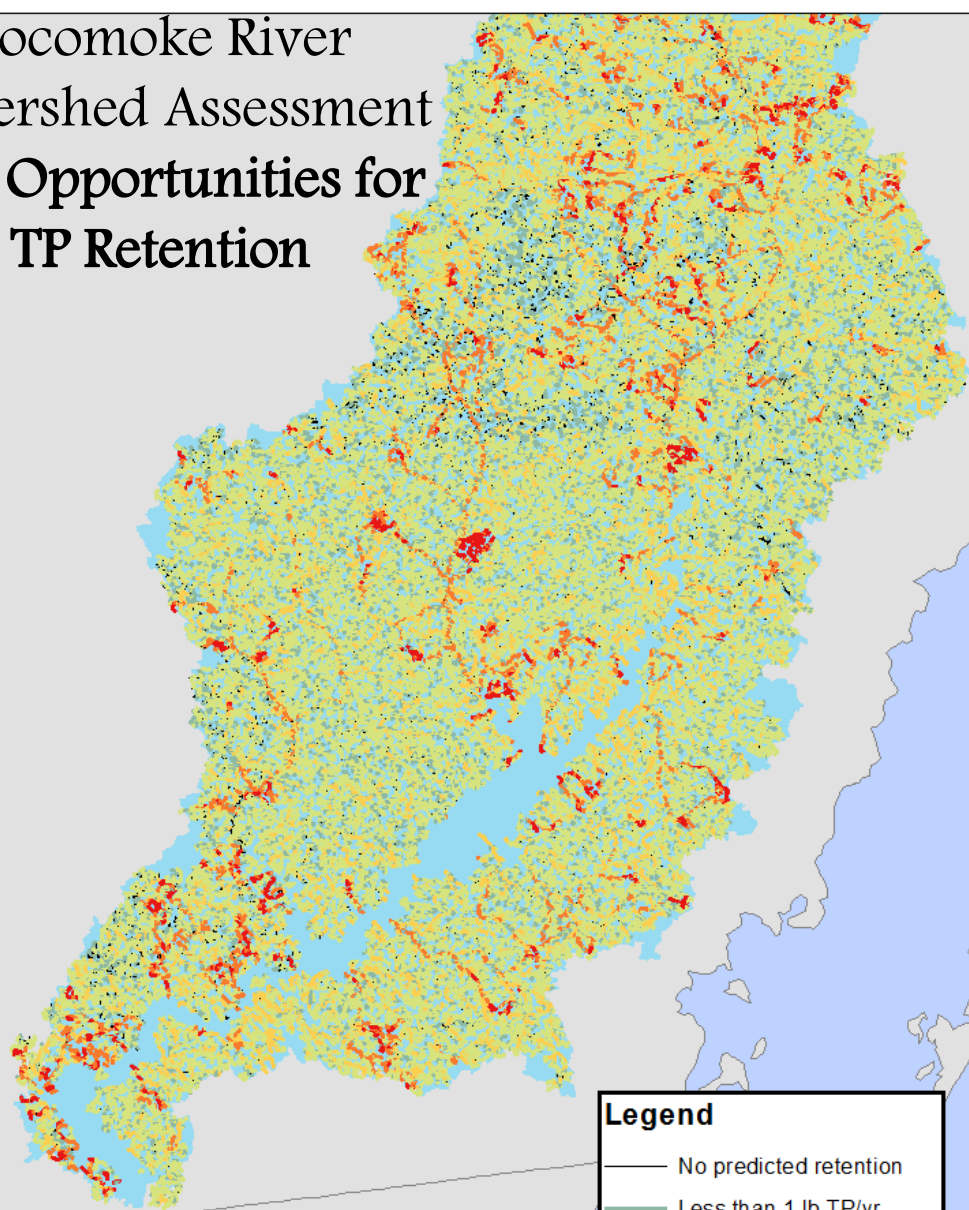
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Pocomoke River Watershed Assessment Best Opportunities for TP Retention

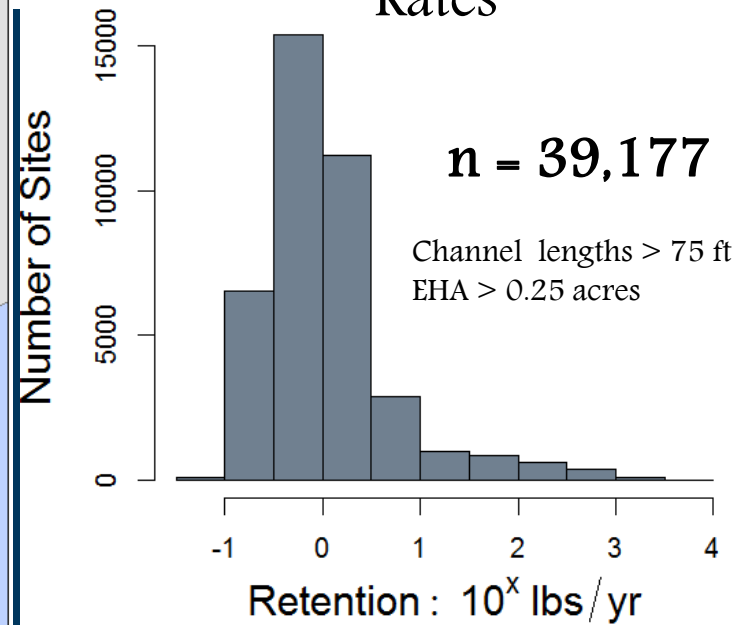


640 Square Mile Project...
1/100 of Chesapeake Bay Watershed



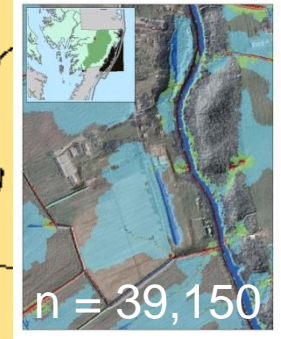
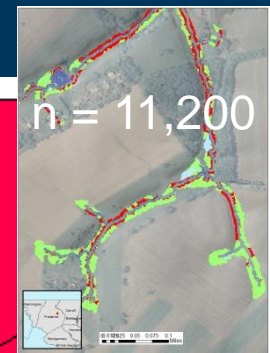
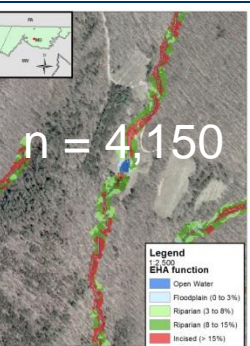
Legend	
—	No predicted retention
—	Less than 1 lb TP/yr
—	1 to 10
—	10 to 100
—	100 to 500
—	Greater than 500 lb TP/yr

Predicted TP Retention Rates



Percentile	TP Retention lbs per site per year
50	< 1
95	32 (1,966 sites)

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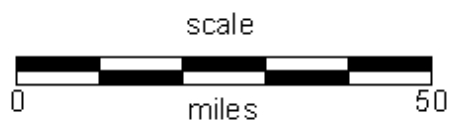
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Dryer Climates, Steeper, Less Permeable Soils, Landscapes:



Wetter Climates, More Permeable Soils, Flatter Landscapes:

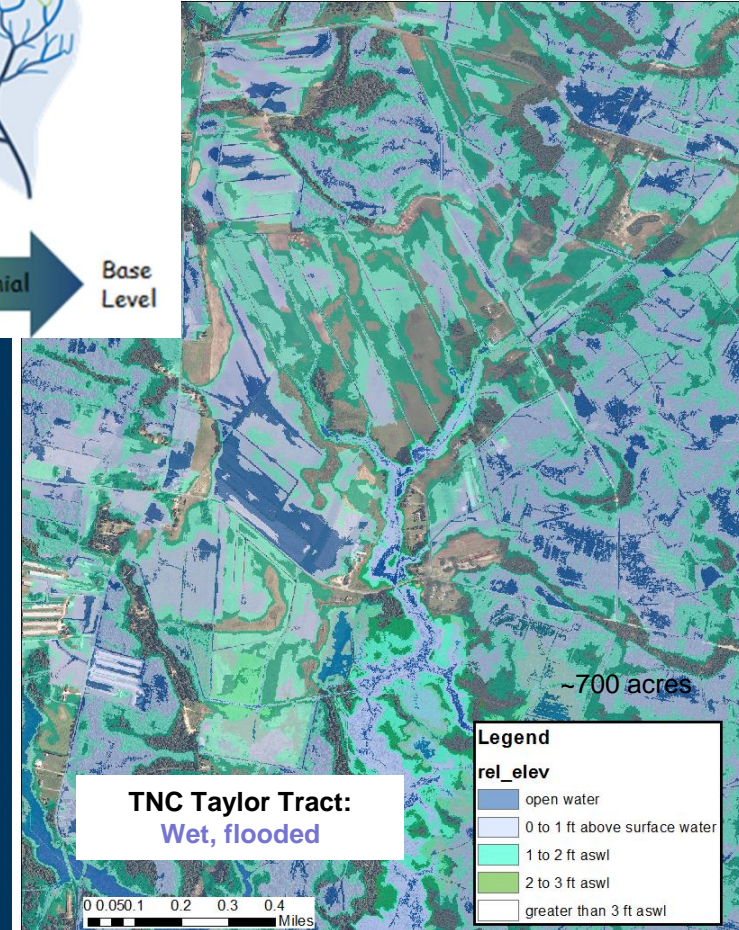
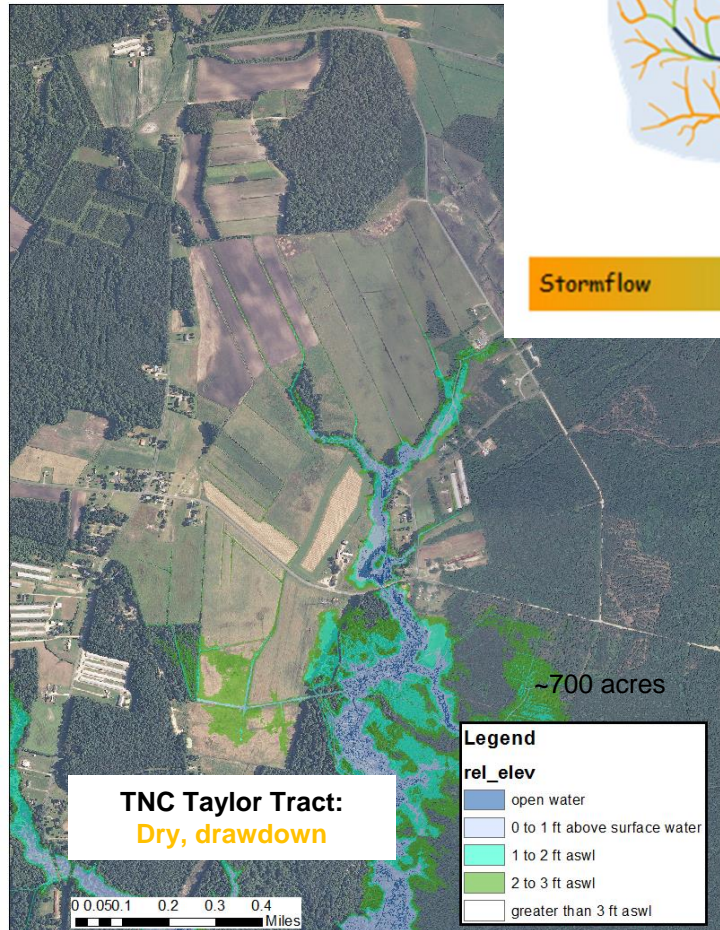


Stormflow

Ephemeral

Perennial

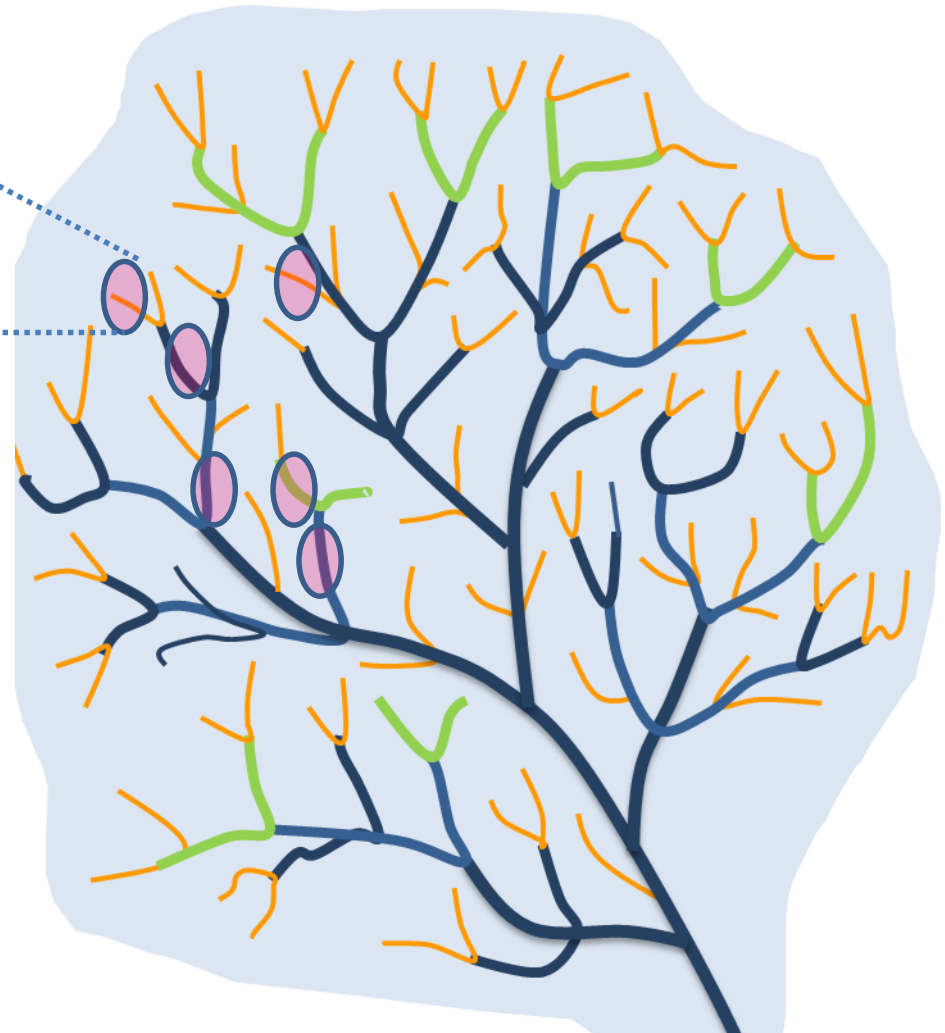
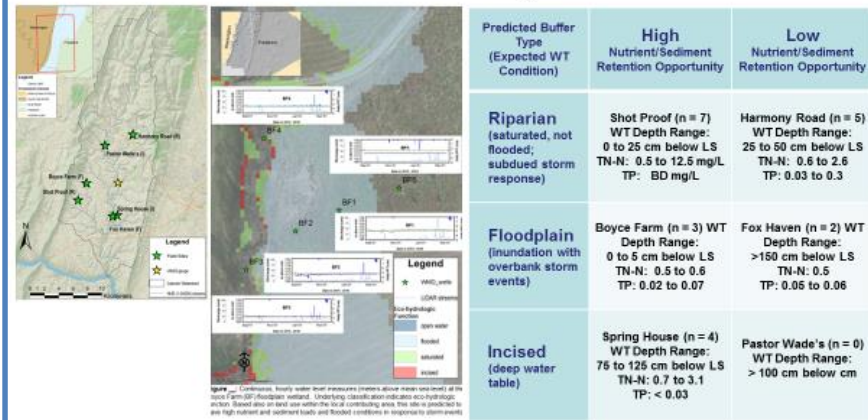
Base Level



Advancing Water Quality Goals Requires Coordinated Research

FAQ: Can we ground-truth targeting tools?

A: Piece by piece... for example, Catoctin Creek Field Study:



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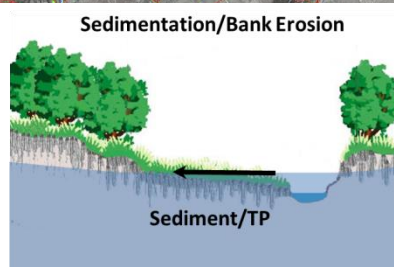
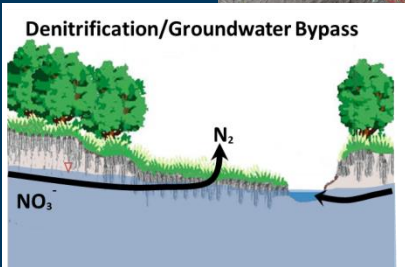
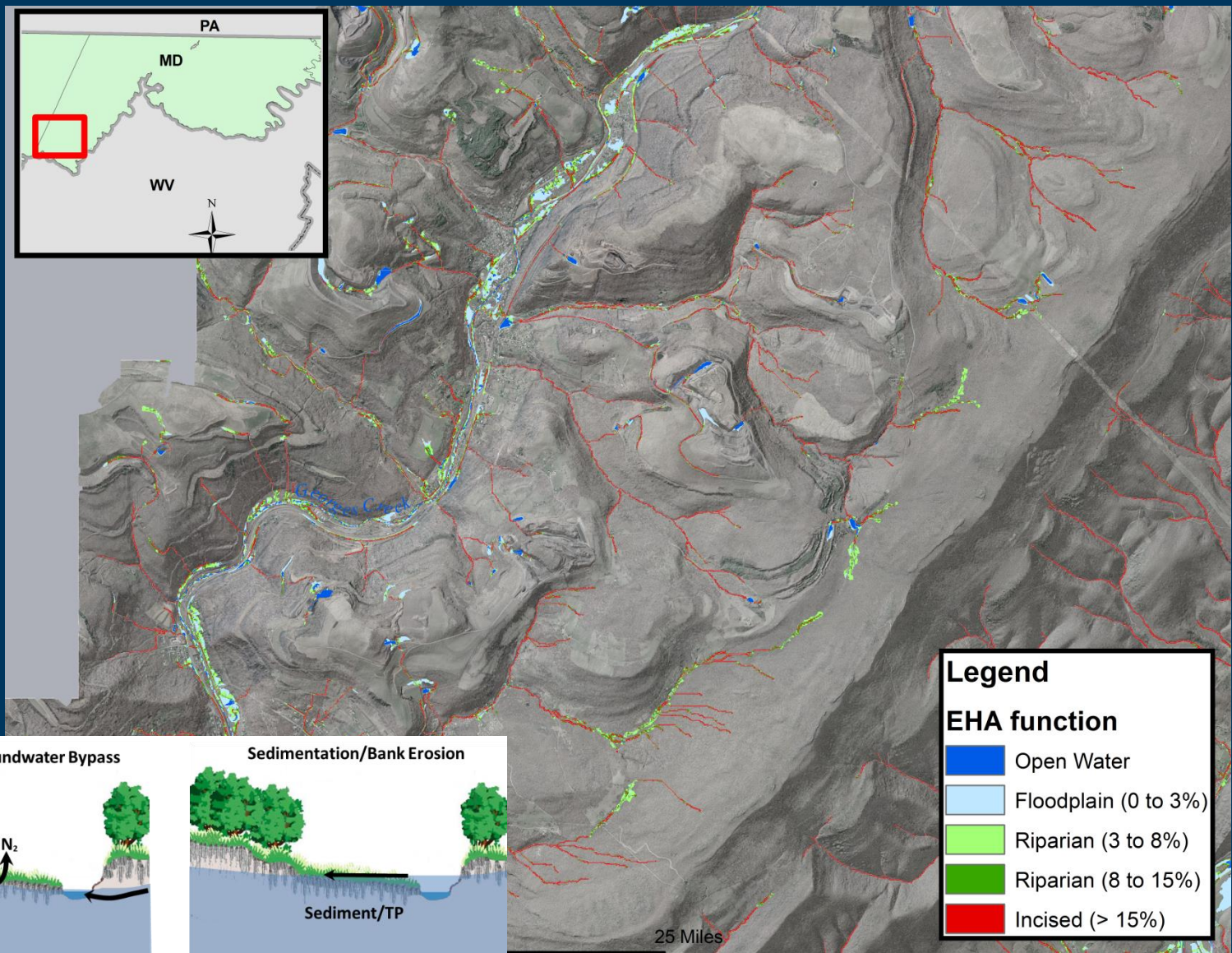
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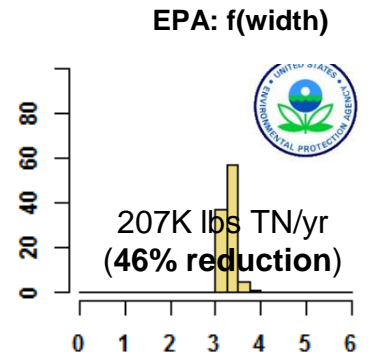
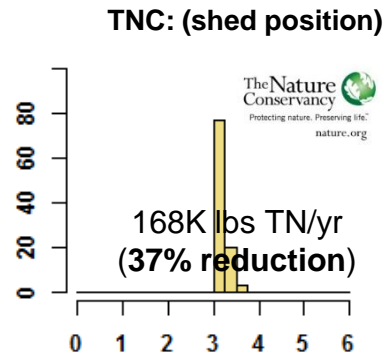
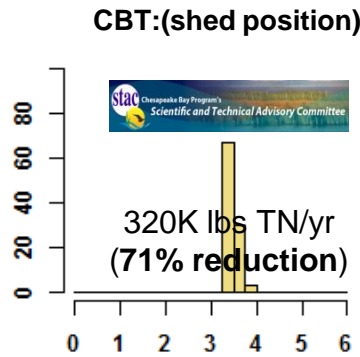
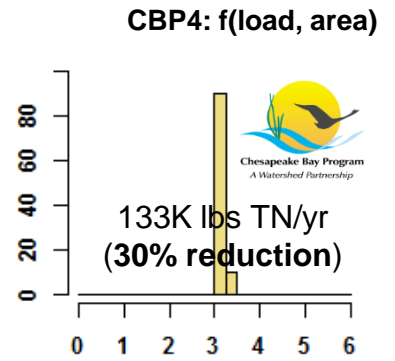
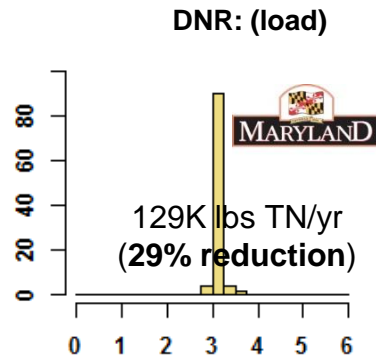
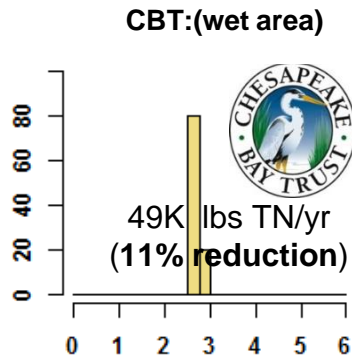
Identifying Opportunities to Target Natural Filters



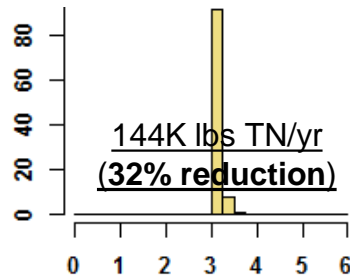
Characterizing Uncertainty

Depending on which retention efficiencies applied, restoration of TOP100 sites predicted to provide 11 to 71 percent of MD TMDL goal.

Number of Sites



Model Average



Predicted TN Retention (10^x lbs / year)