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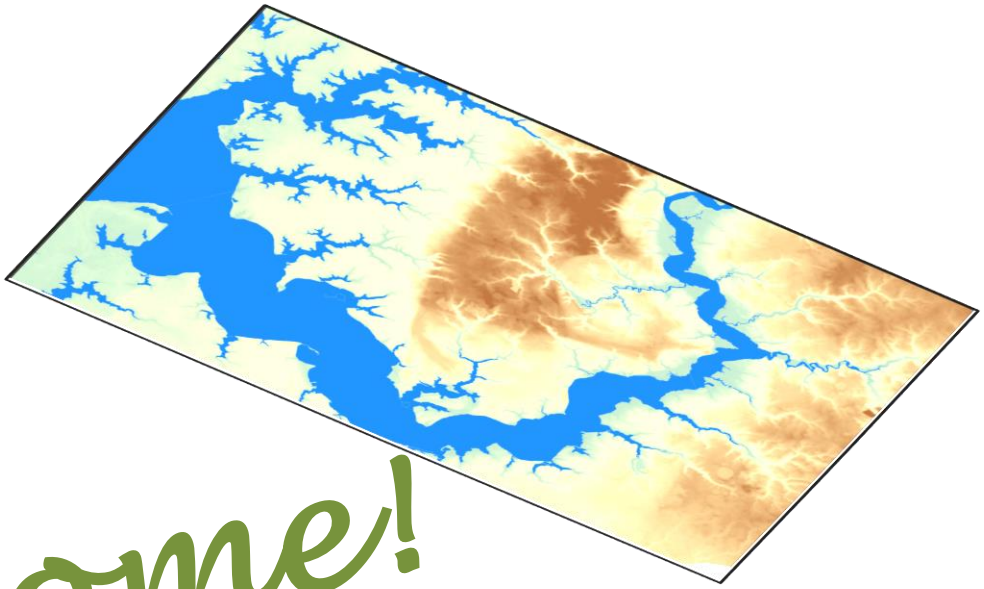

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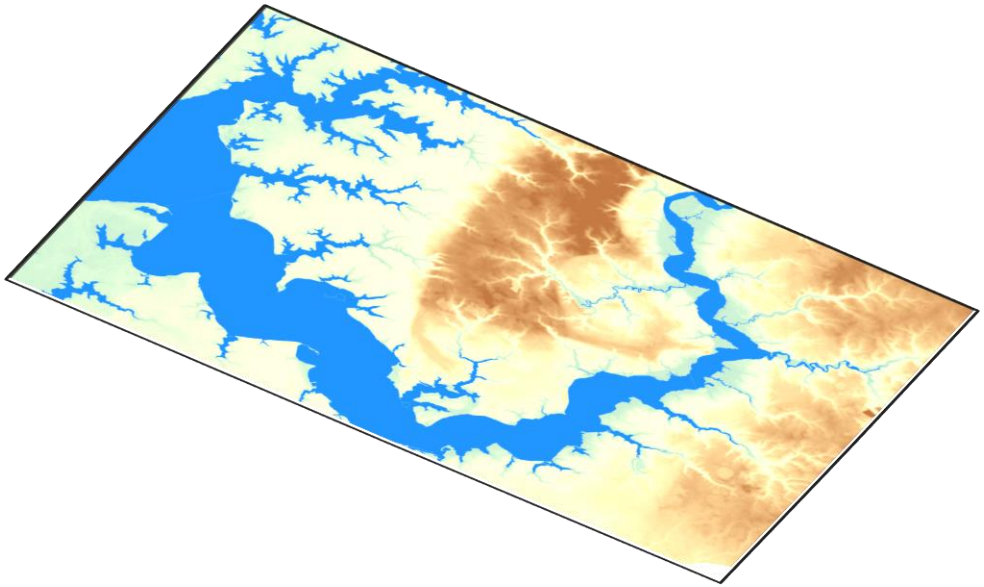

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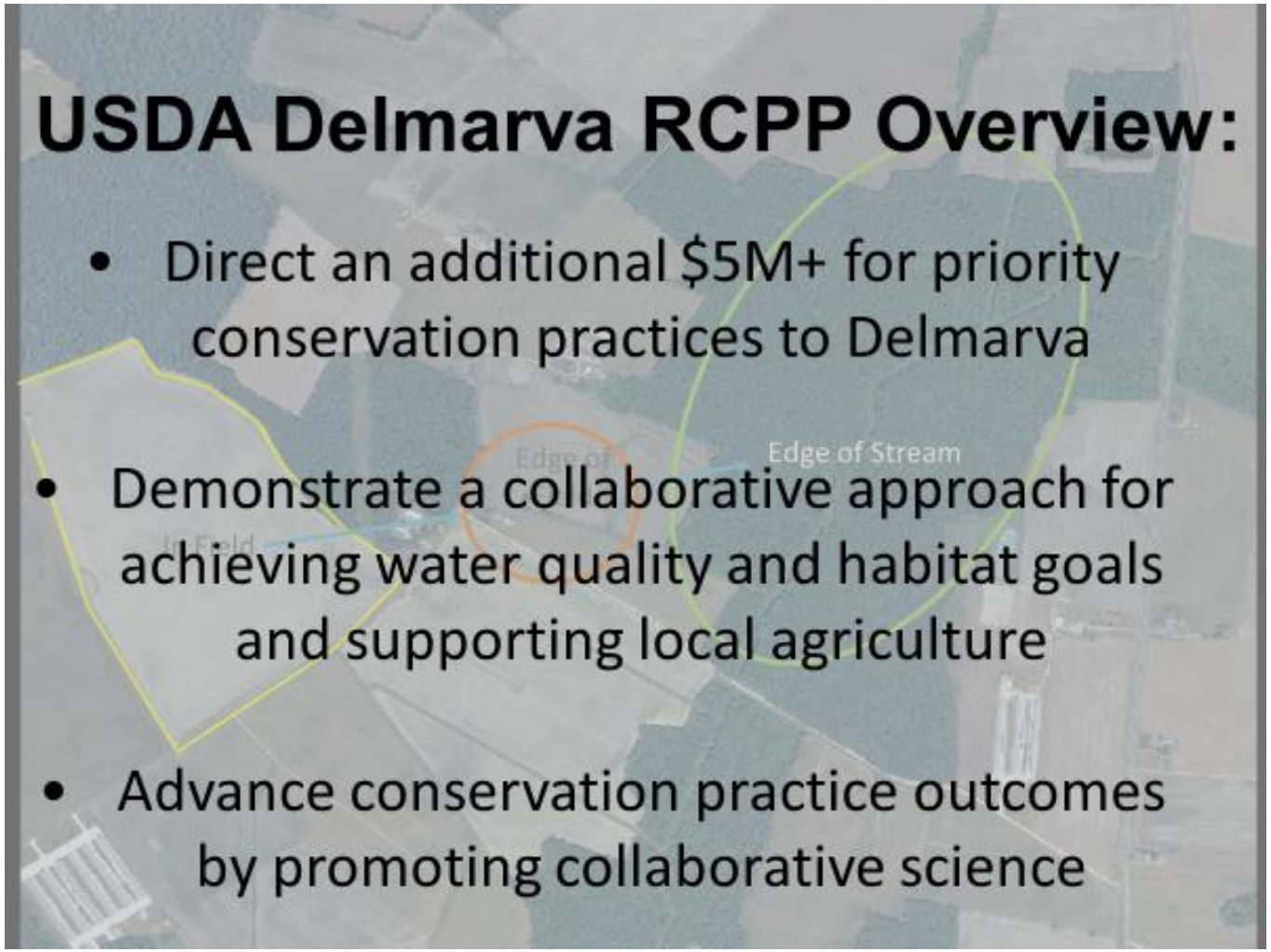

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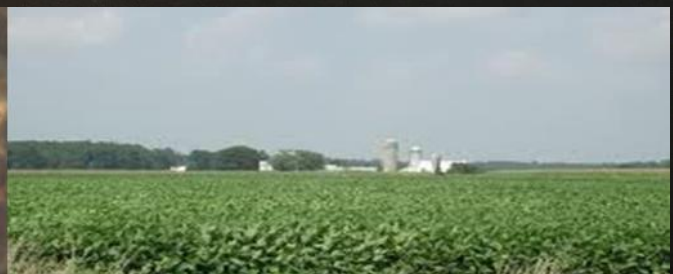

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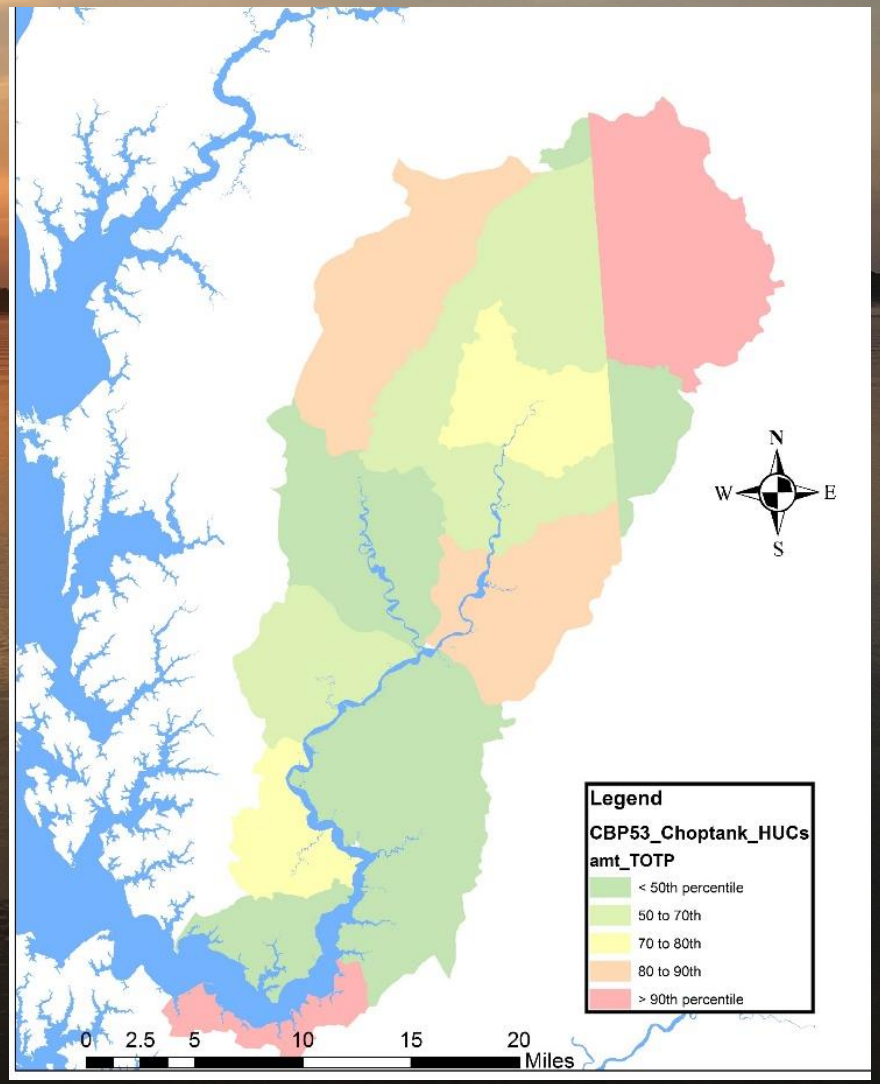

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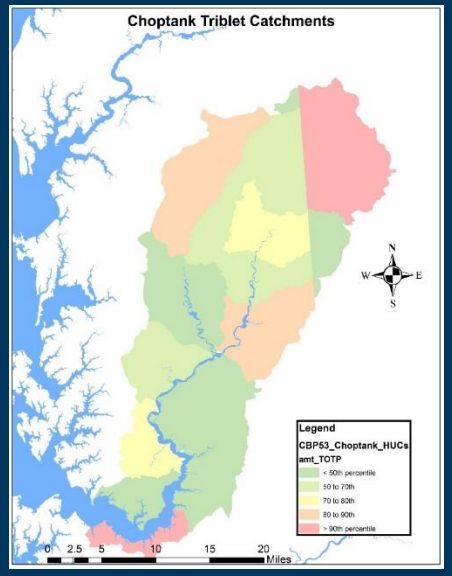
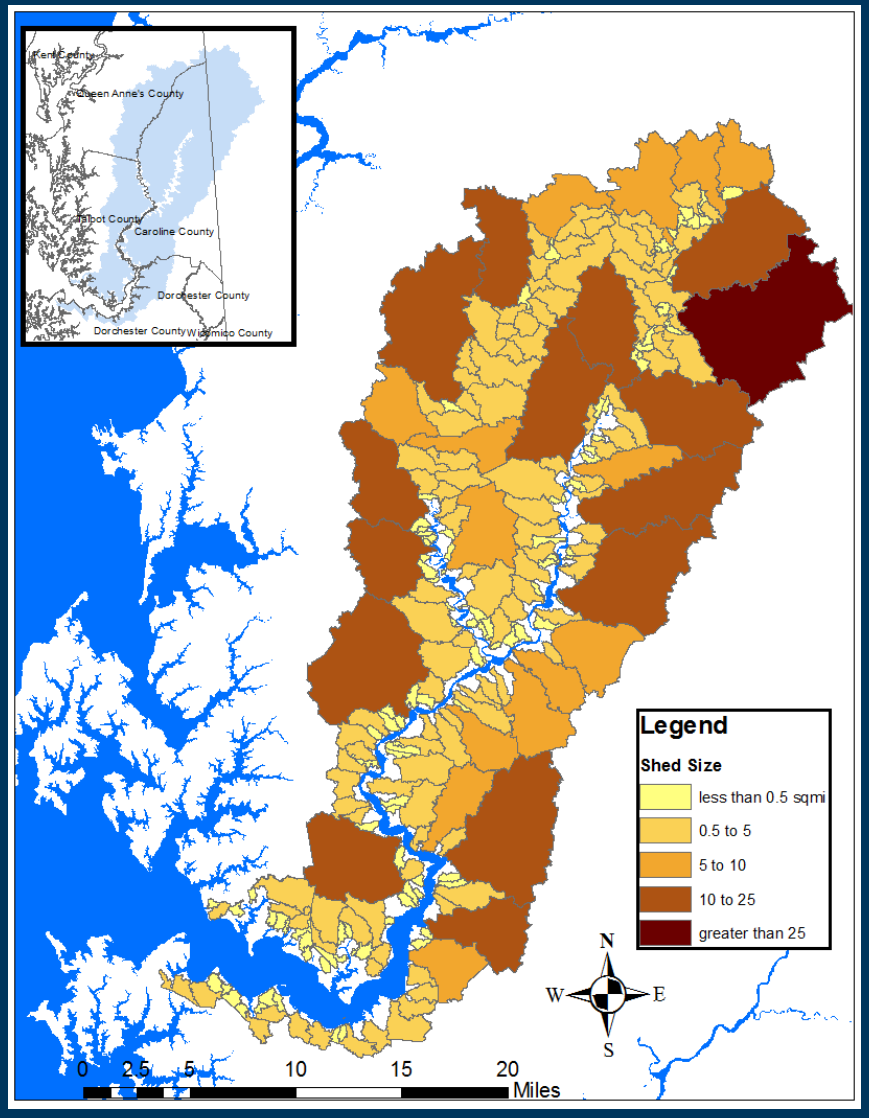
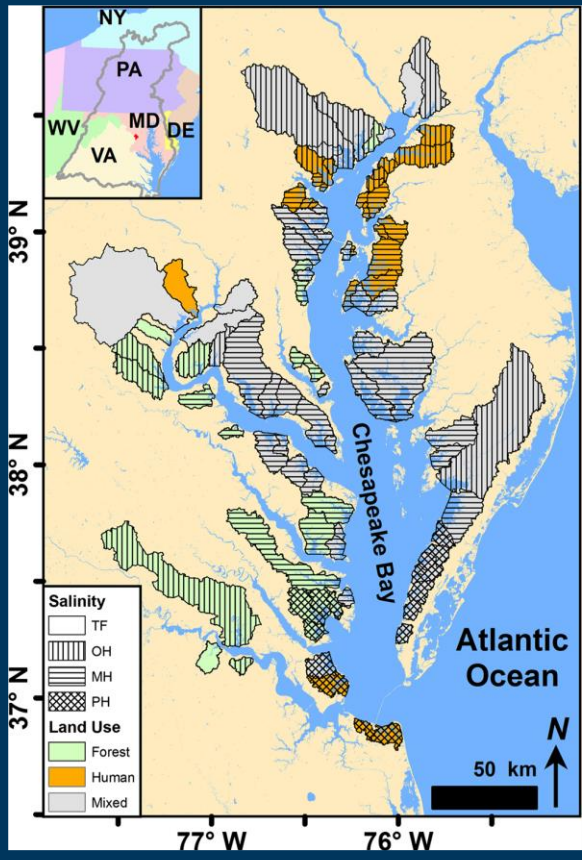
The Triblet Connection: Management Context



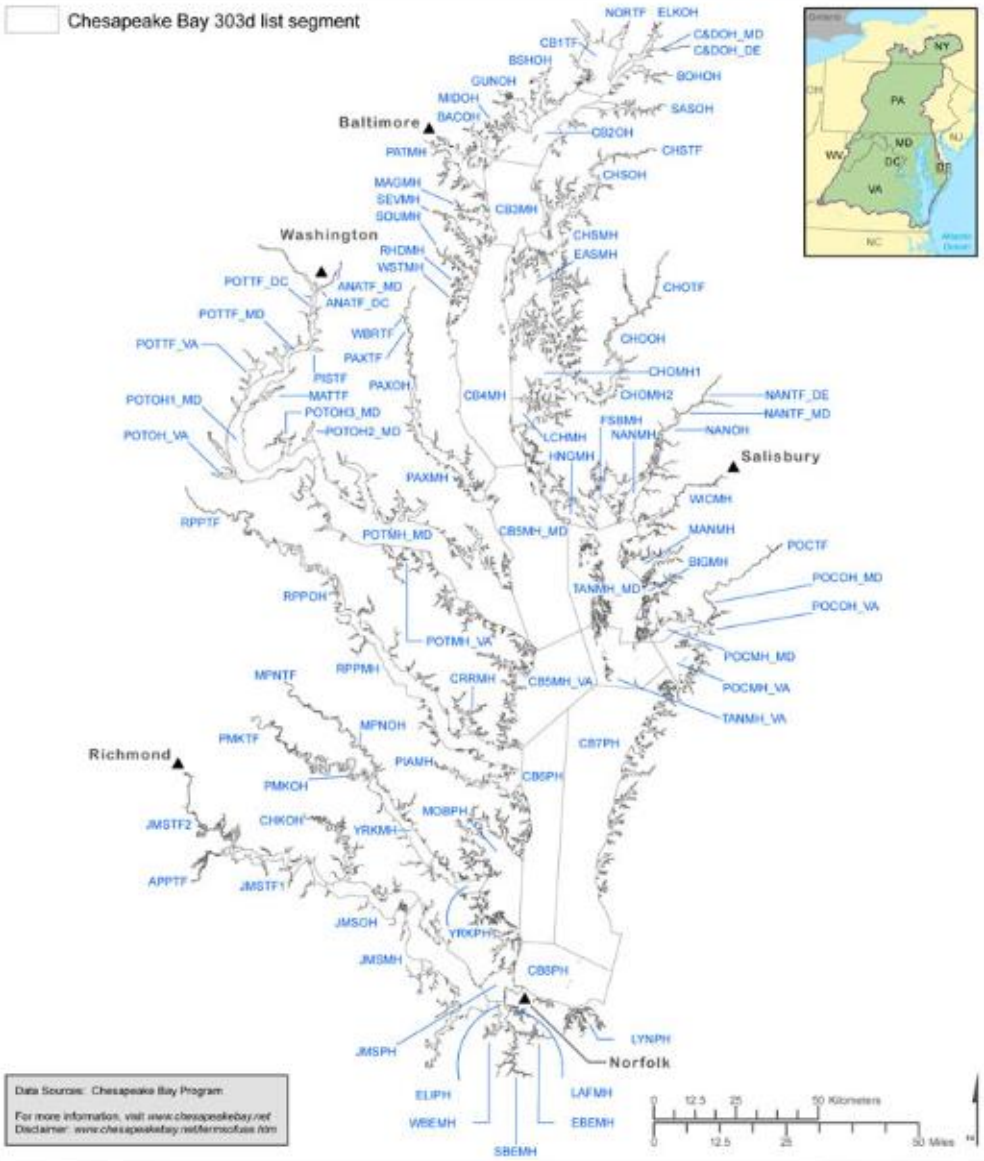




Chesapeake Bay Segmentation Scheme

(For 303d listing - 92 segments)

Chesapeake Bay Program
A Watershed Partnership



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The Triblet Connection: Workshop Goals & Objectives

- Define triblets
- Describe the role of triblets as river-estuary linkages
- Evaluate triblets as landscape units for watershed and coastal management
  - Discuss relevance/utility for CBP regulatory model.
- Outline critical knowledge gaps and research opportunities 1) to improve our understanding of river-estuarine linkages; and 2) refine tools/mapping strategies for watershed and coastal management

The Triblet Connection: Agenda Overview

- SESSION I: **Evidence of Triblet Linkages**
  Kevin Sellner (Hood), Michael Mallin (UNC),
  Denise Sanger (SCDNR), Andrew Muller (USNA)
- SESSION II: **Triblets from an Estuarine Perspective**
  Larry Sanford (UMCES), Lora Harris (UMCES), Harry Wang (VIMS)
- SESSION III: **Triblets from a Watershed Perspective**
  Diana Muller (Maritimus), Tom Jordan (SERC), Kathy Boomer, (TNC)
- SESSION IV: **Additional Evidence/Insights of Triblet Roles**
  Ray Najjar (PSU), Jeff Cornwell (UMCES), Vicki Blazer (USGS),
  Margaret Muholland ODU), Liz Van Dolah (UMD)
- Facilitated Discussion: Lisa Wainger (UMCES), Lew Linker (USEPA)

The Triblet Connection: Key Questions

What have we learned that informs a changes in science?

- How should triblets be defined?
- How do land-to-water, triblet interactions influence Bay water quality conditions?
  - What are key drivers of triblet health and variation in triblet health (i.e., relative influence of different triblets on sub-estuarine health)?
  - How do we predict effects of watershed and coastal management, sea level rise, and climate change?
  - Alternative models?

The Triblet Connection: Key Questions

How can what we've learned advance management?

- Can a combination of advanced watershed and coastal management in targeted triblets provide disproportionate benefits to restoring Bay health?
- Implications to aquaculture, coastal management, or watershed management?
- Implications to CBP model's segmentation strategy?

What new research needs have been identified?

- Key Knowledge and Research Gaps related to Triblets?

Ground Rules:

X "We don't enough data."

- Share your expectations based on your expert background

X "No, it doesn't work like that"

* Well, it could work like that, OR maybe the system responds like this: _____