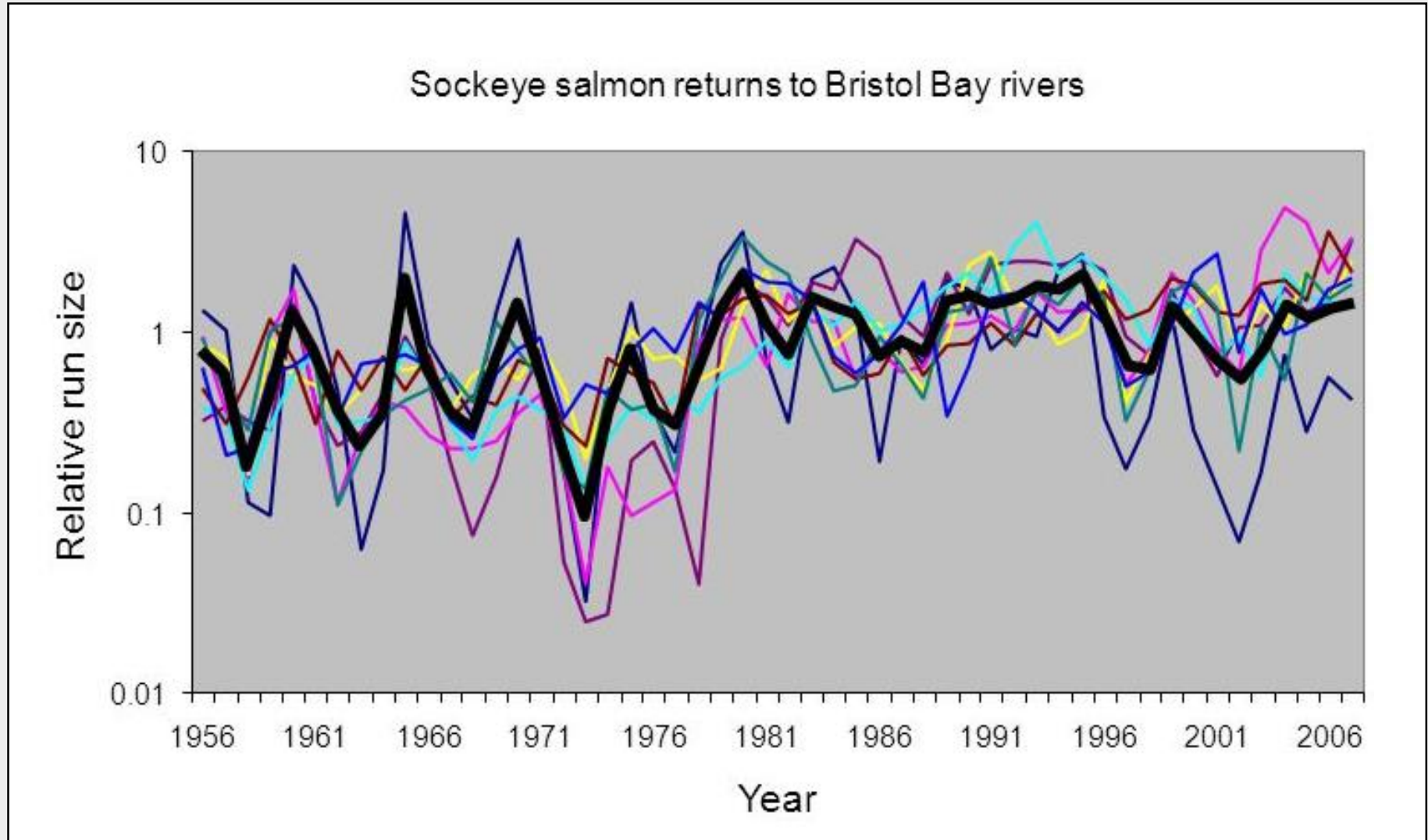


# Bridging the Gap - Creating proactive management and conservation tools

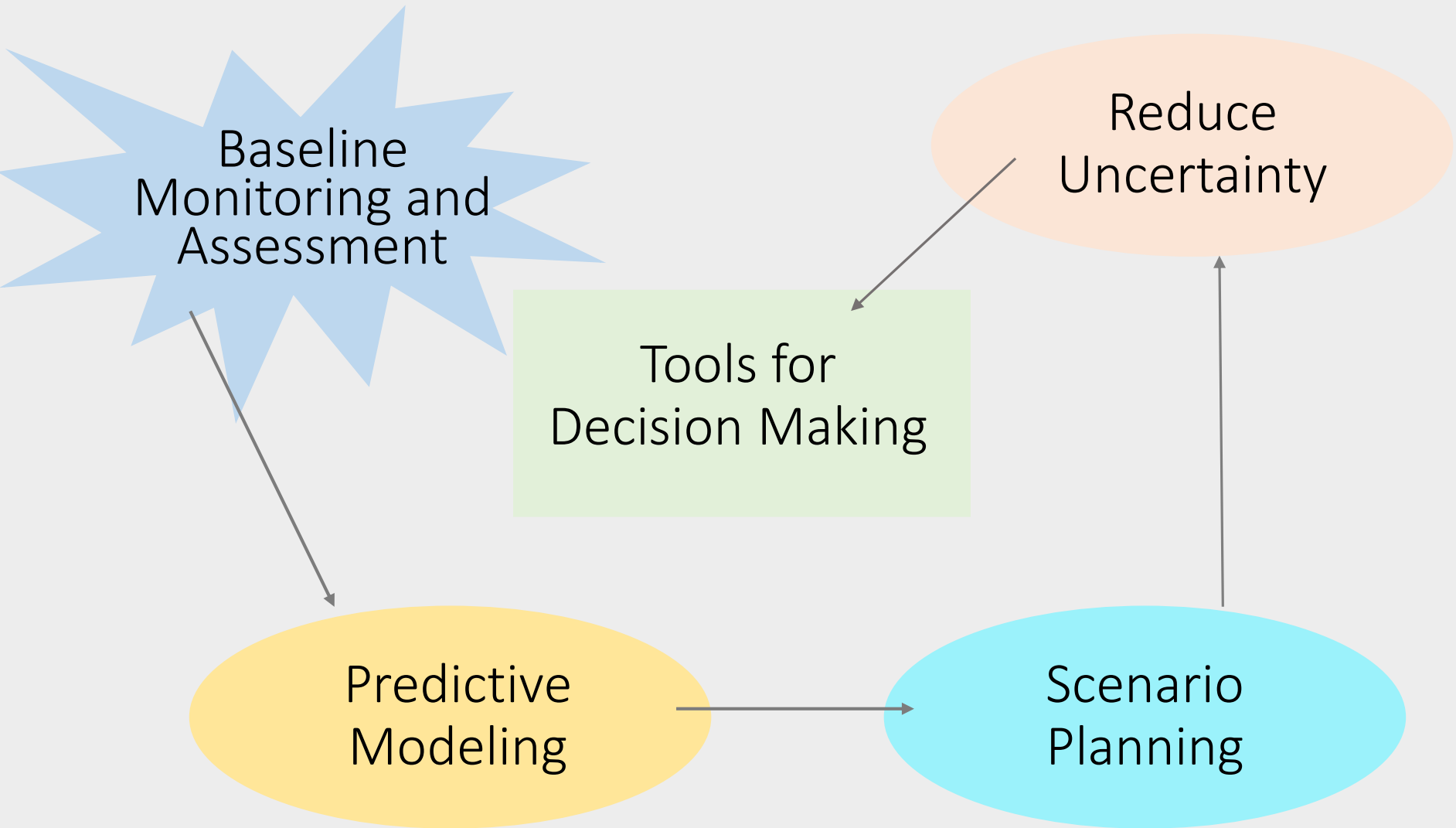
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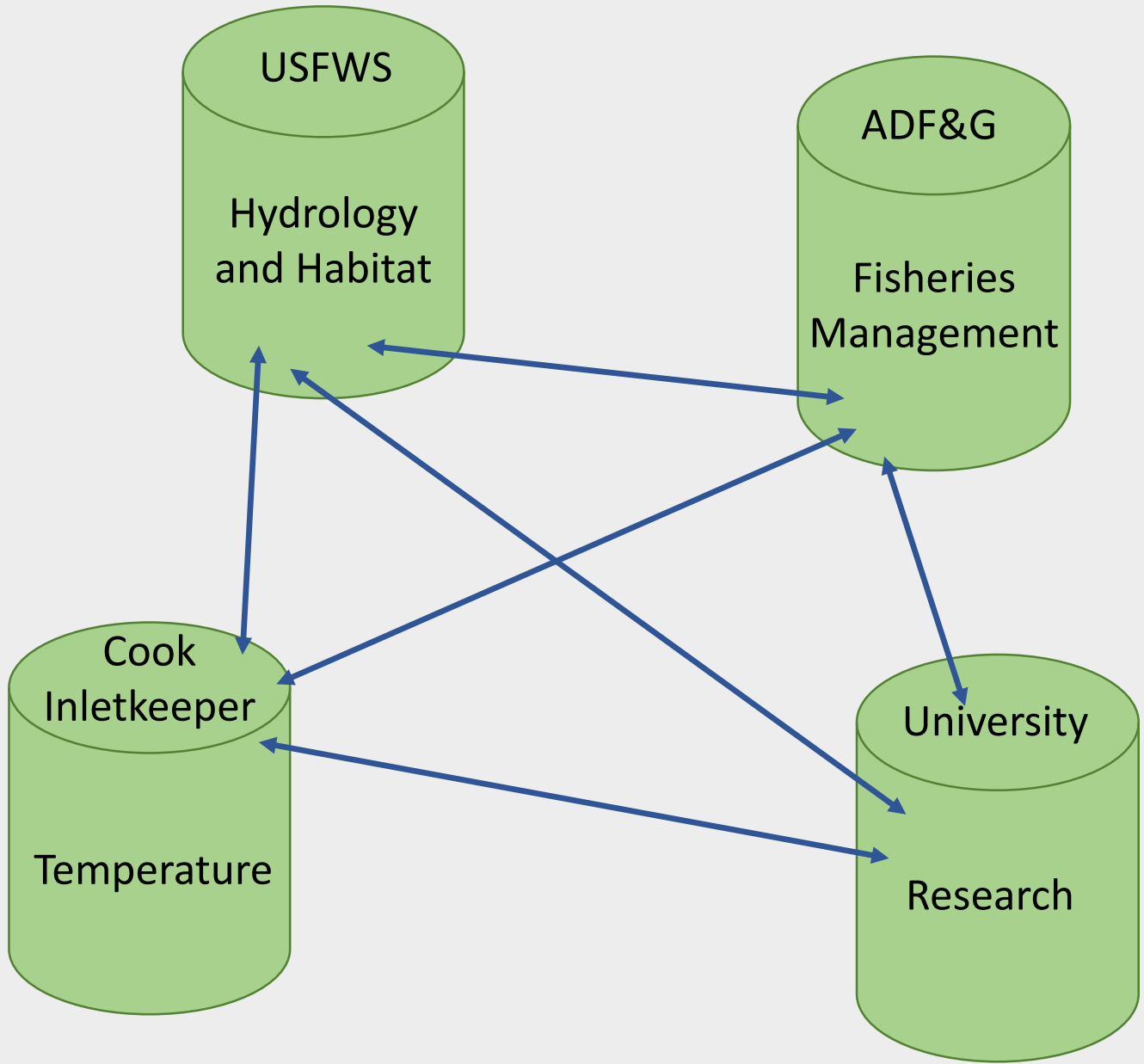
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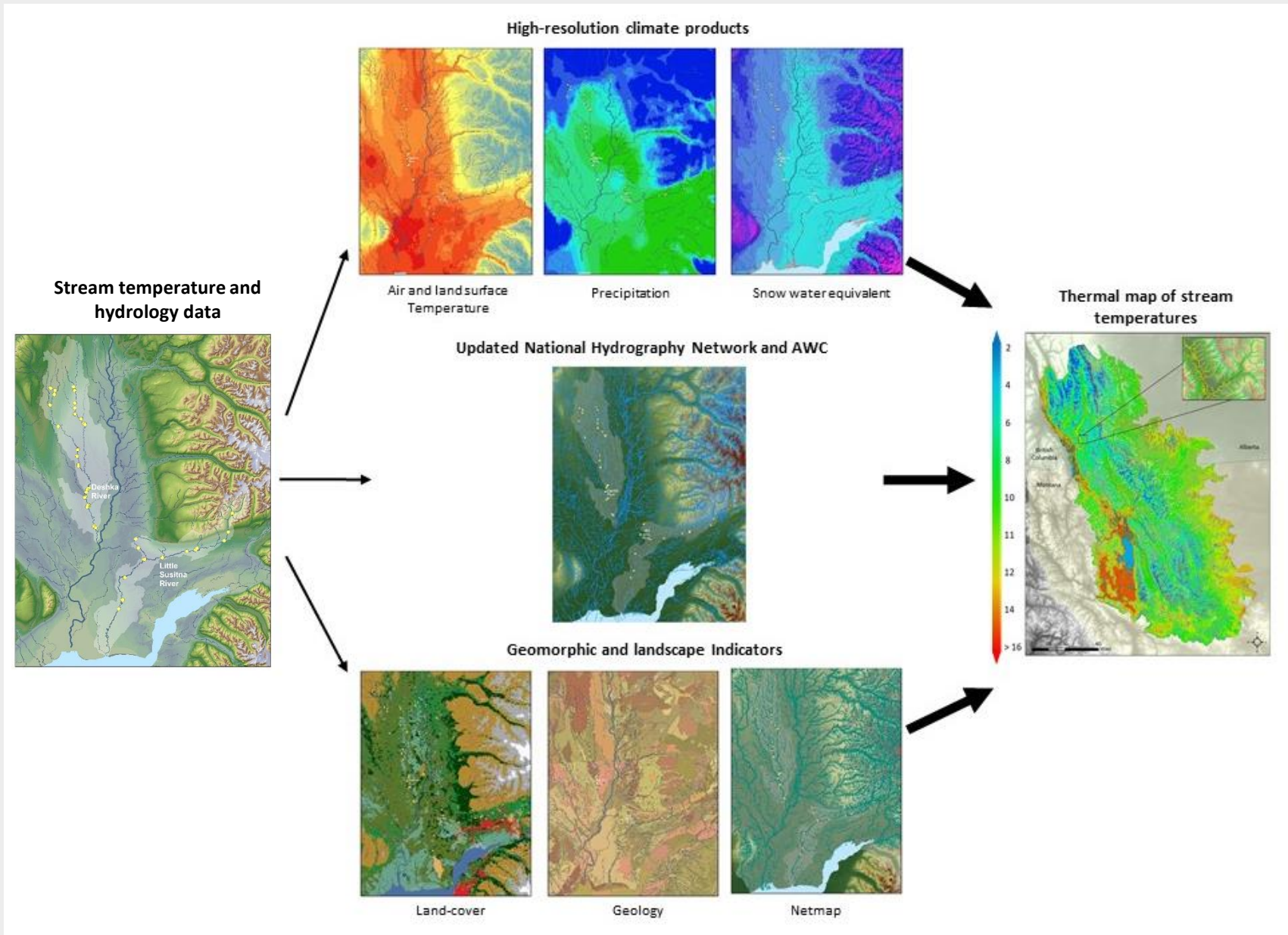
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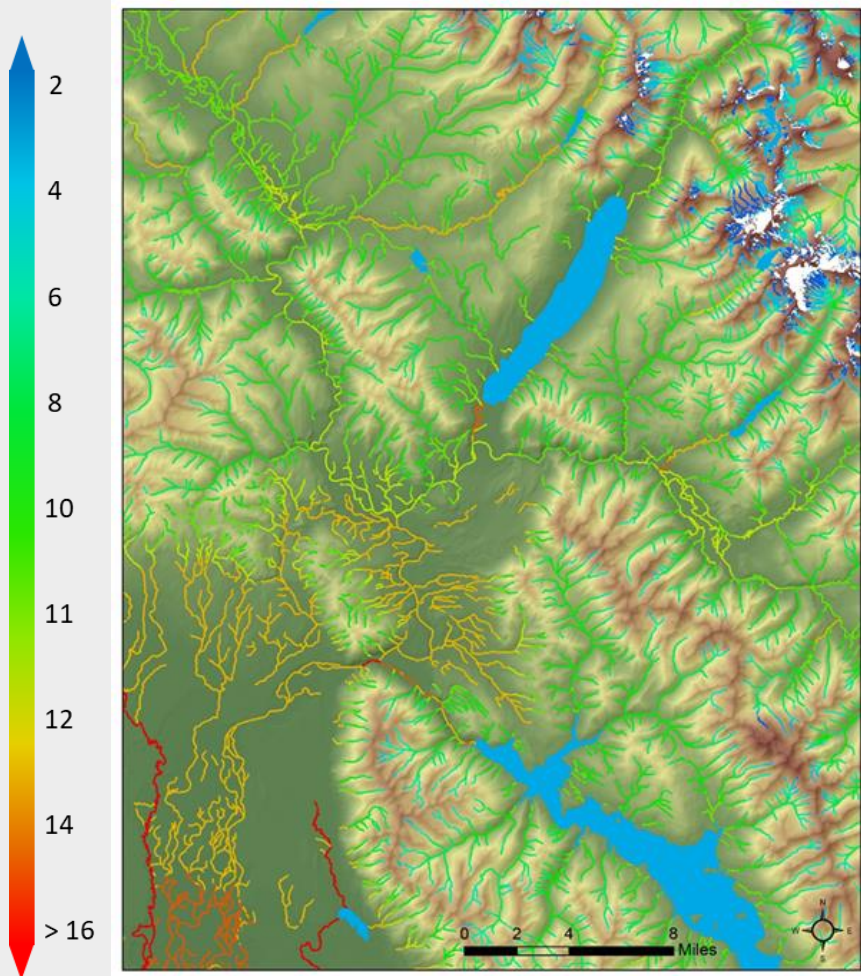
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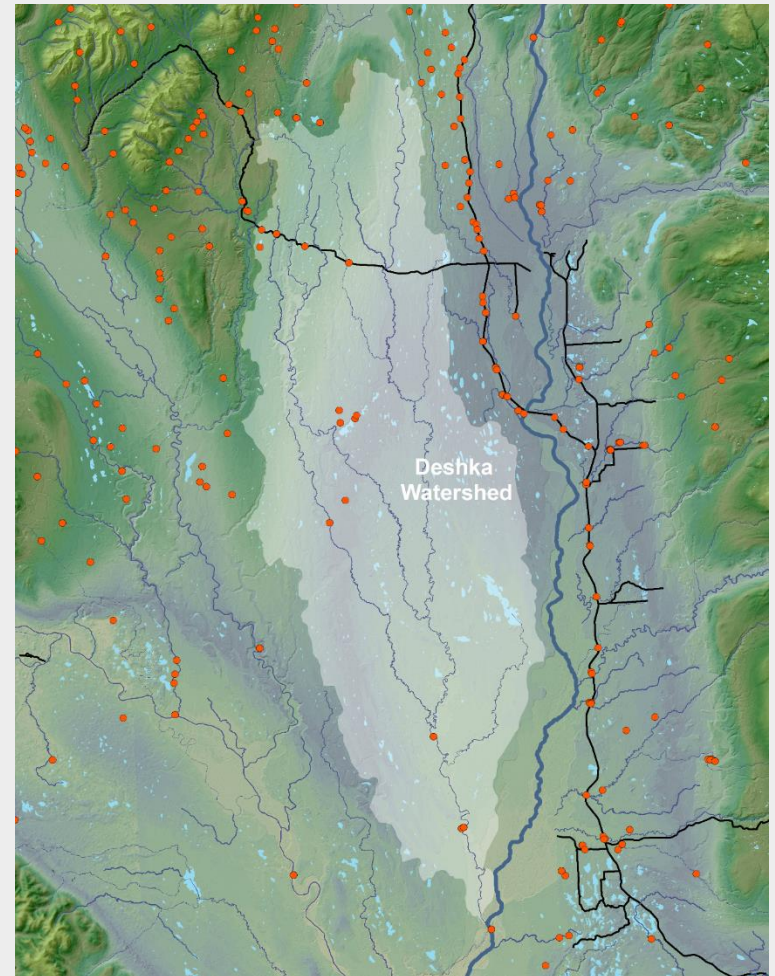
# Predictive Modeling – Thermal Riverscapes



# Link Thermal Diversity to Salmon Life-histories

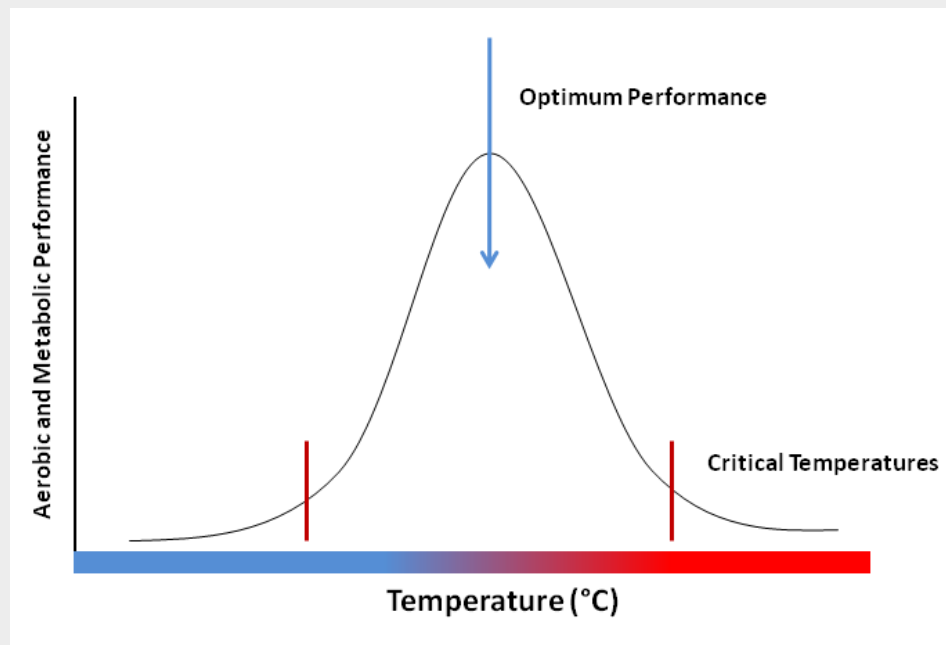


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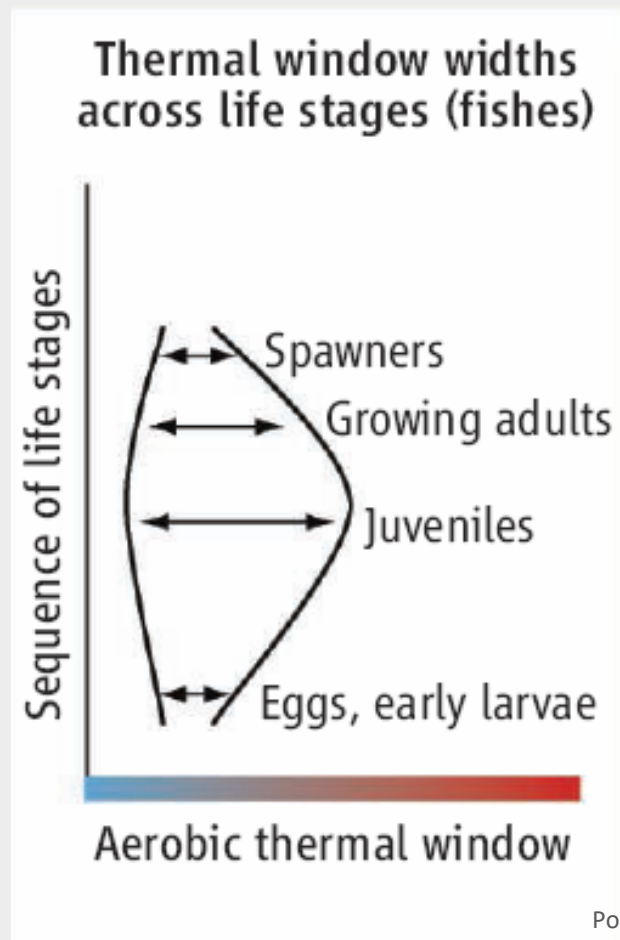


ADF&G Freshwater Fish Inventory

# Model Application

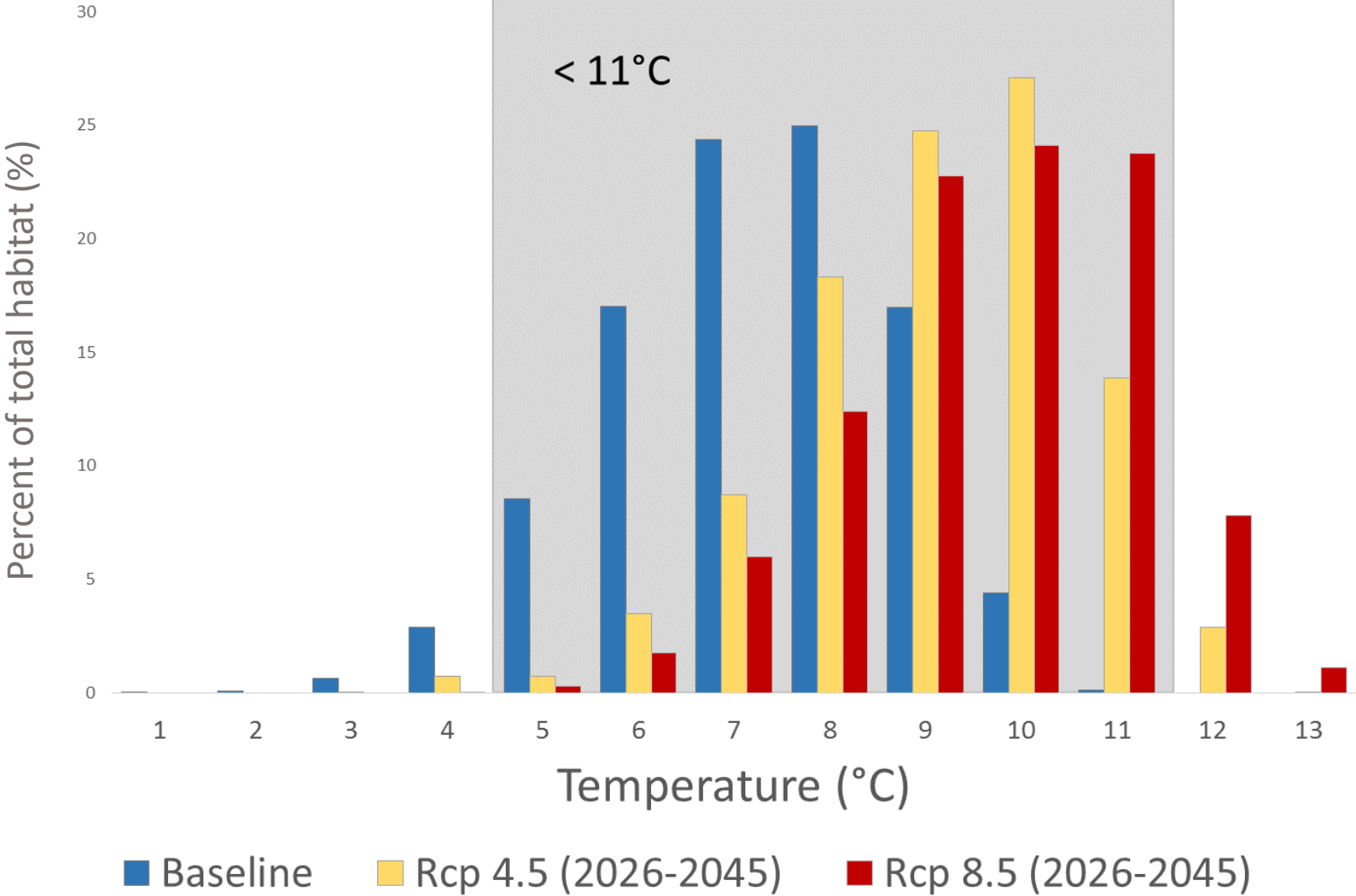


Should EPA standards developed for lower 48 be used to manage Alaska salmon?



# Model Application

## Thermal Habitat Distribution

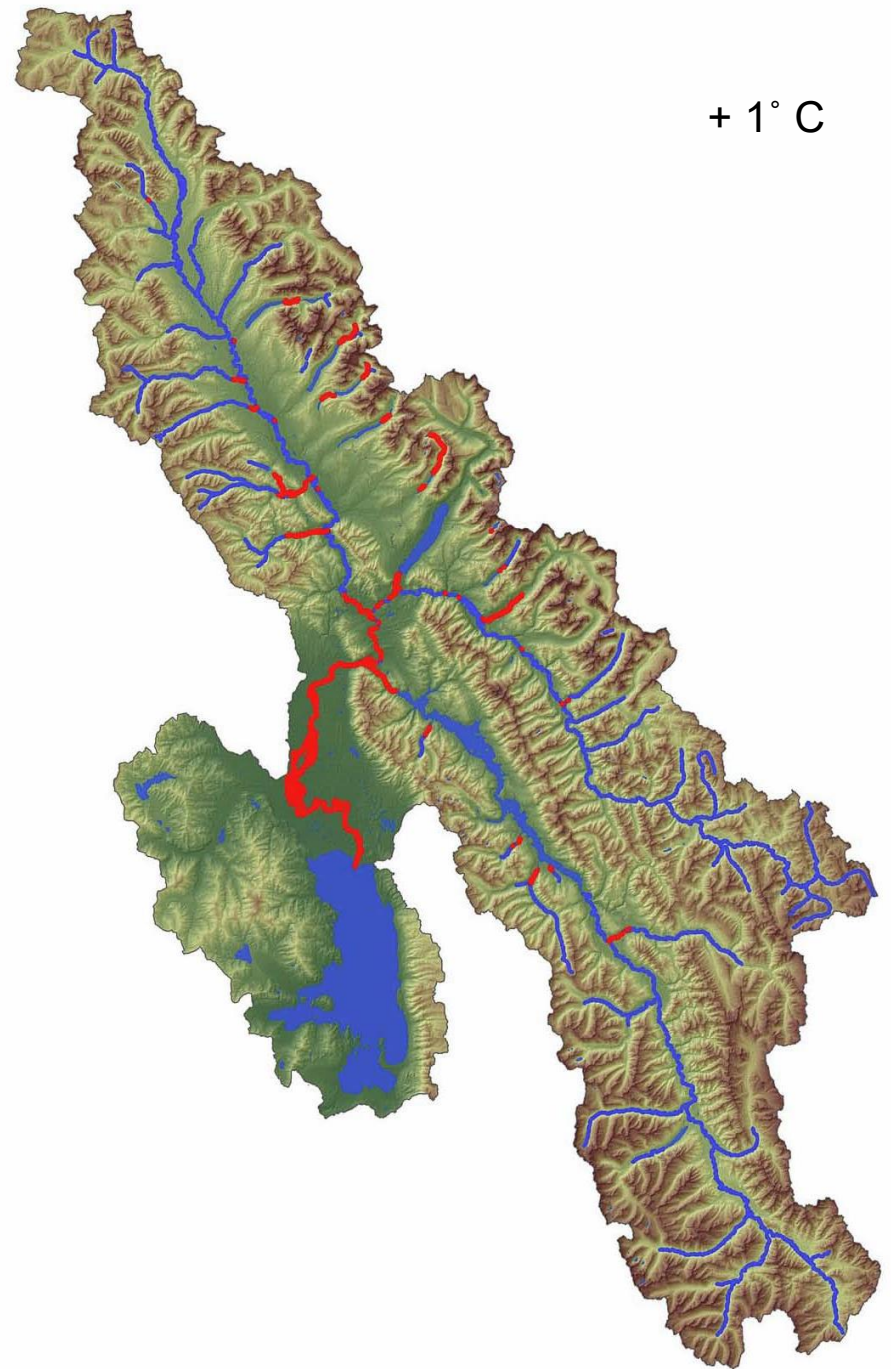




# Scenario Planning

- 20% Loss of rearing habitat
- 2% Loss of spawning habitat

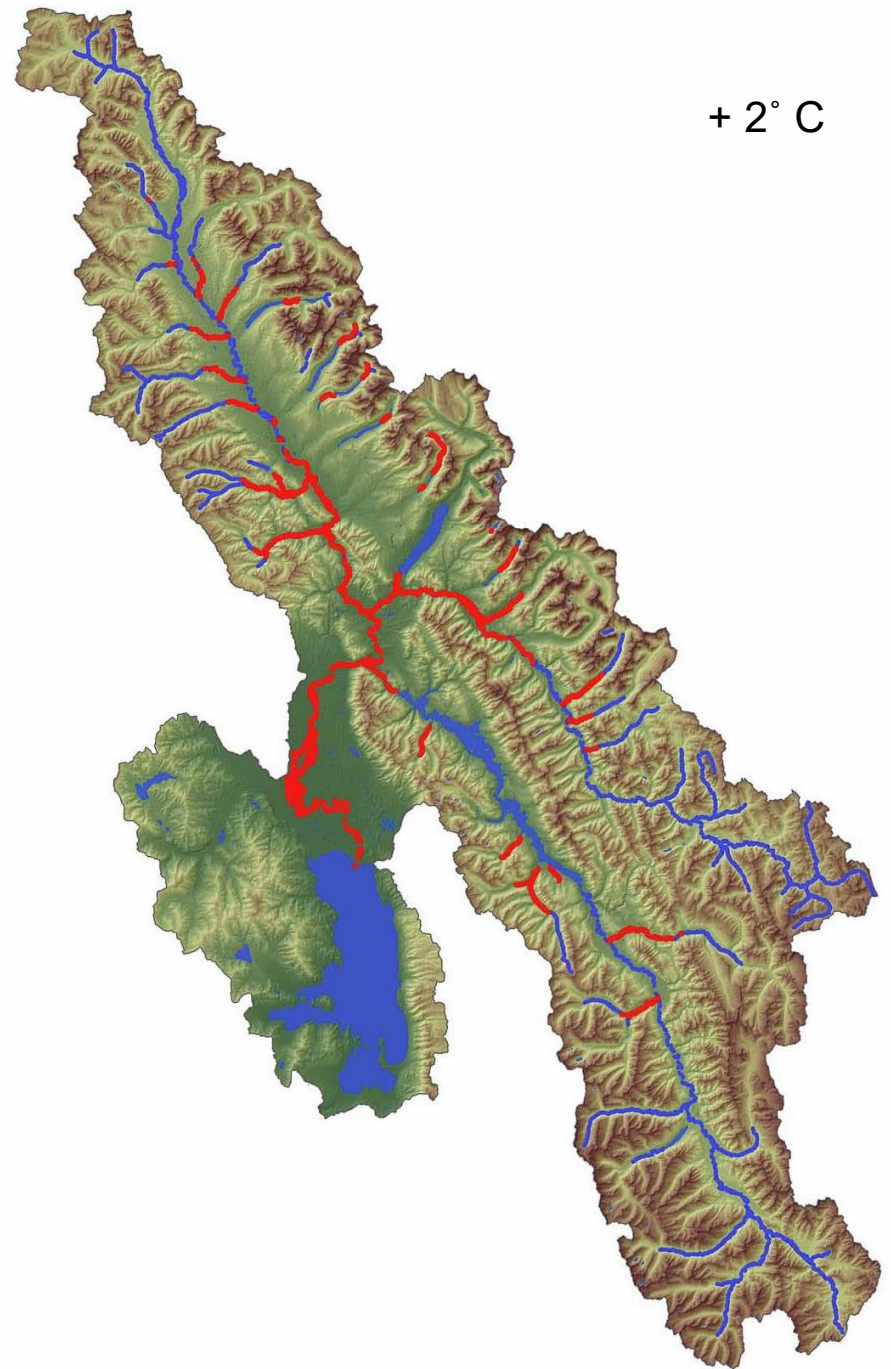
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# Scenario Planning

- 37% Loss of rearing habitat
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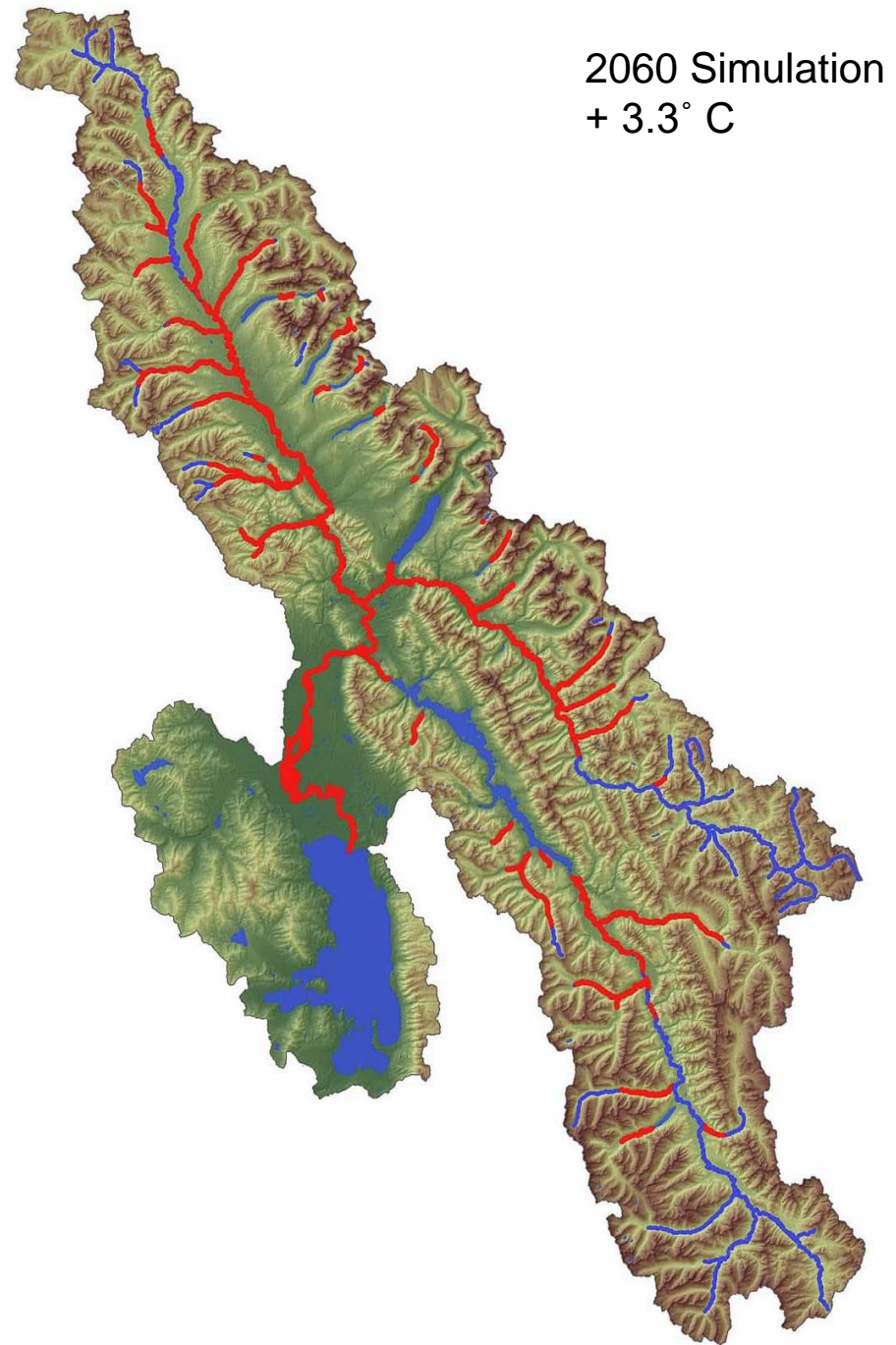
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# Scenario Planning

- 58% Loss of rearing habitat
- 36% Loss of spawning habitat

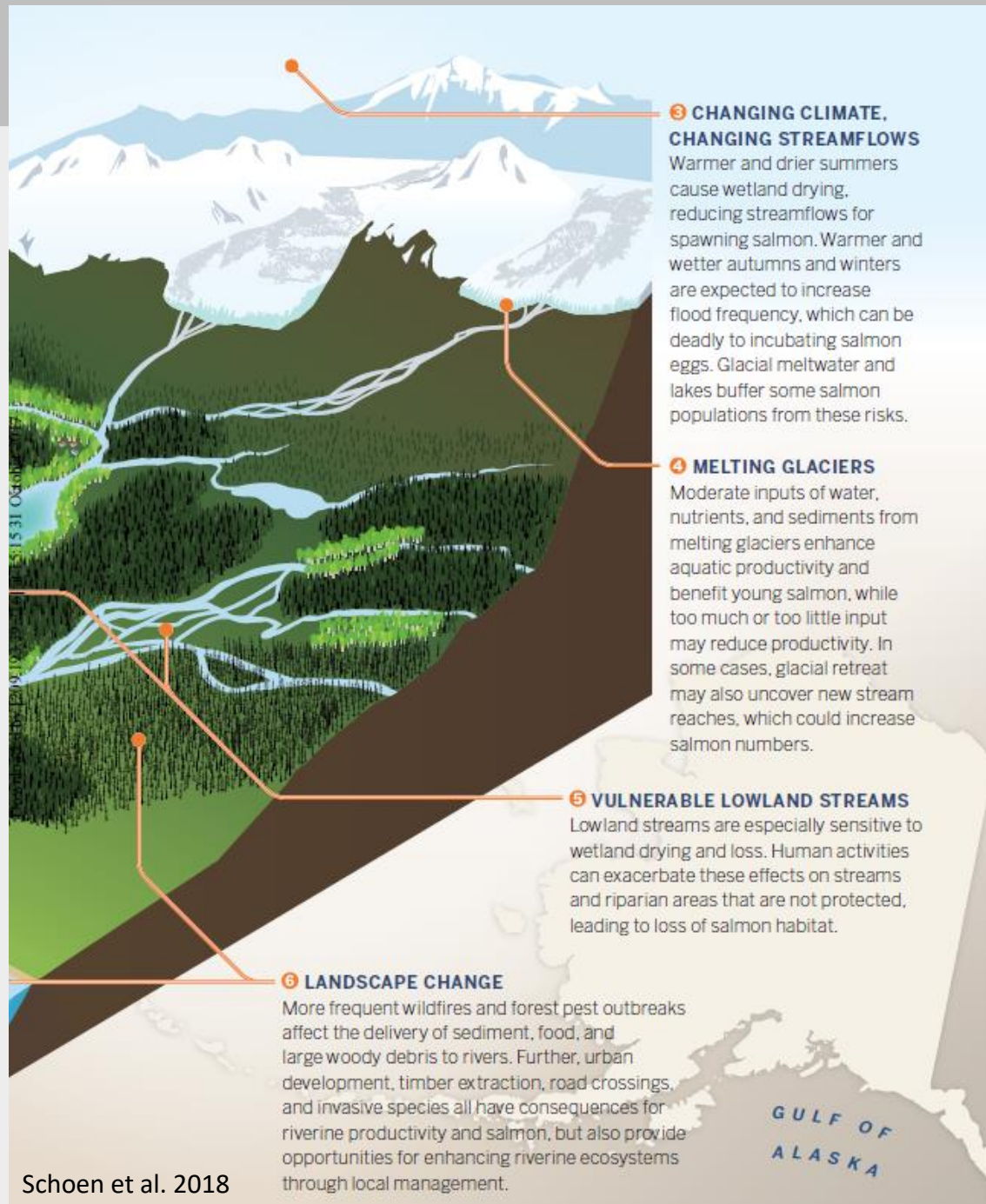
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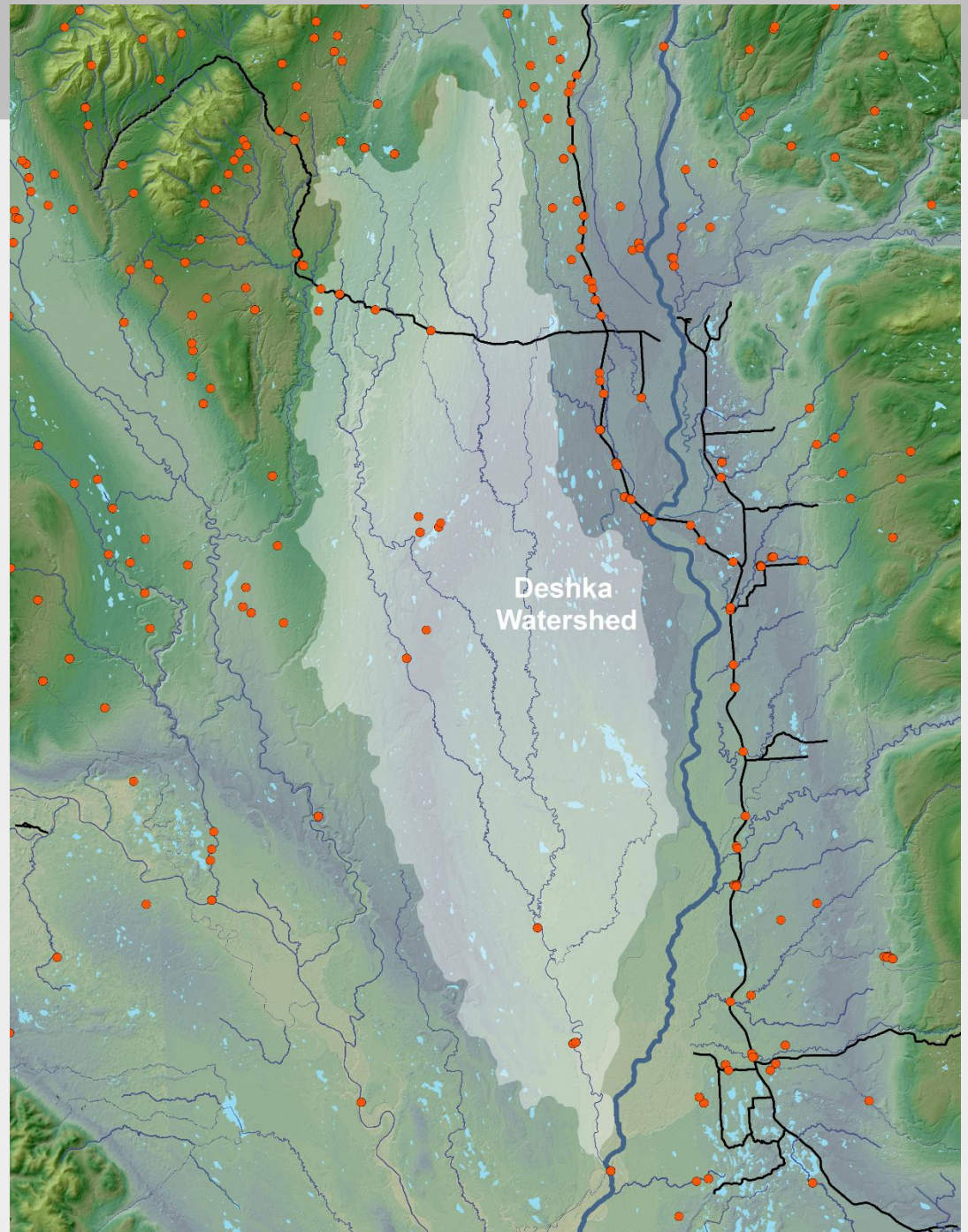
Collaborative monitoring and assessment efforts:

How does and how will changes in hydrology effect temperature regimes and thermal diversity?



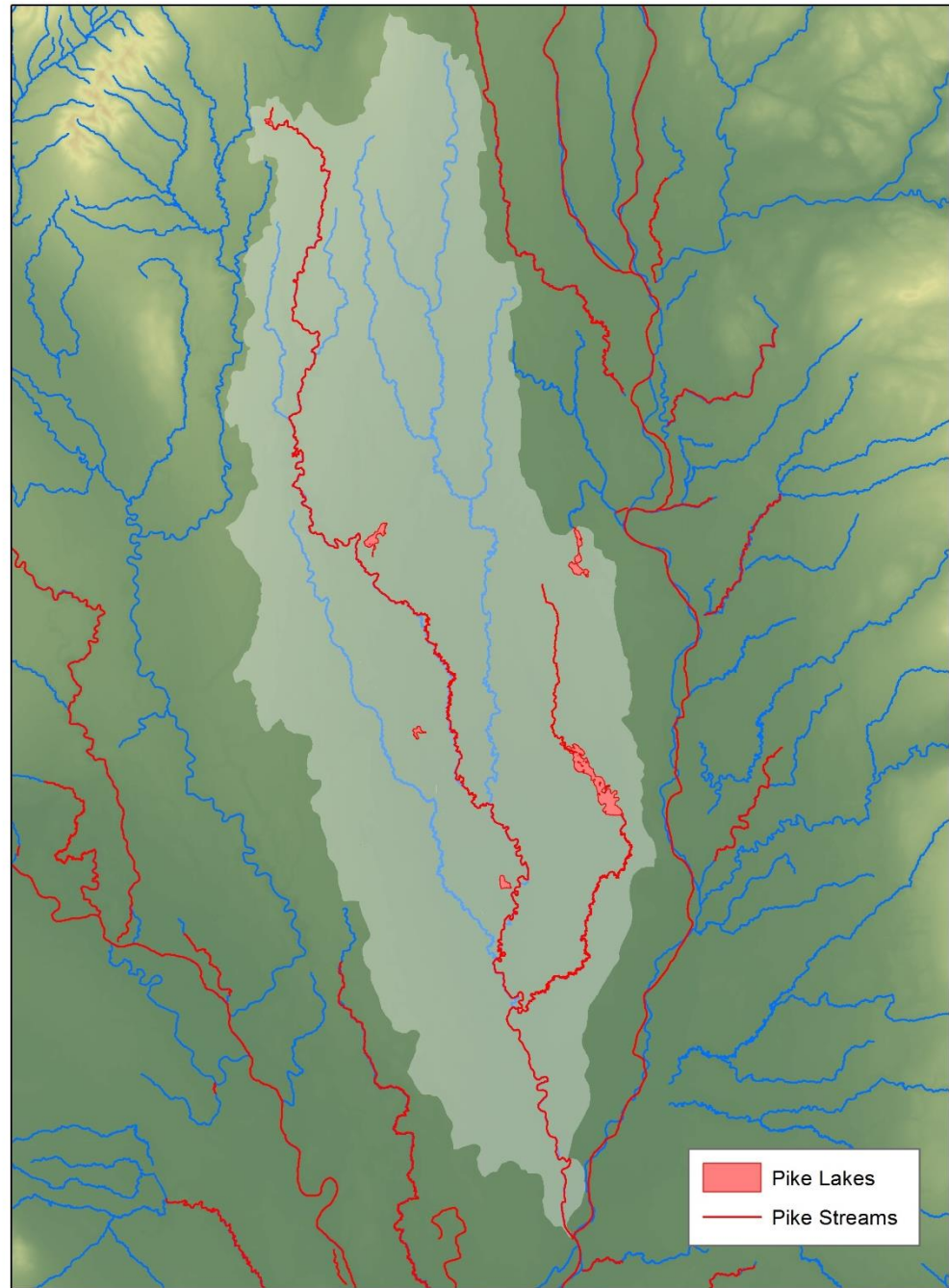
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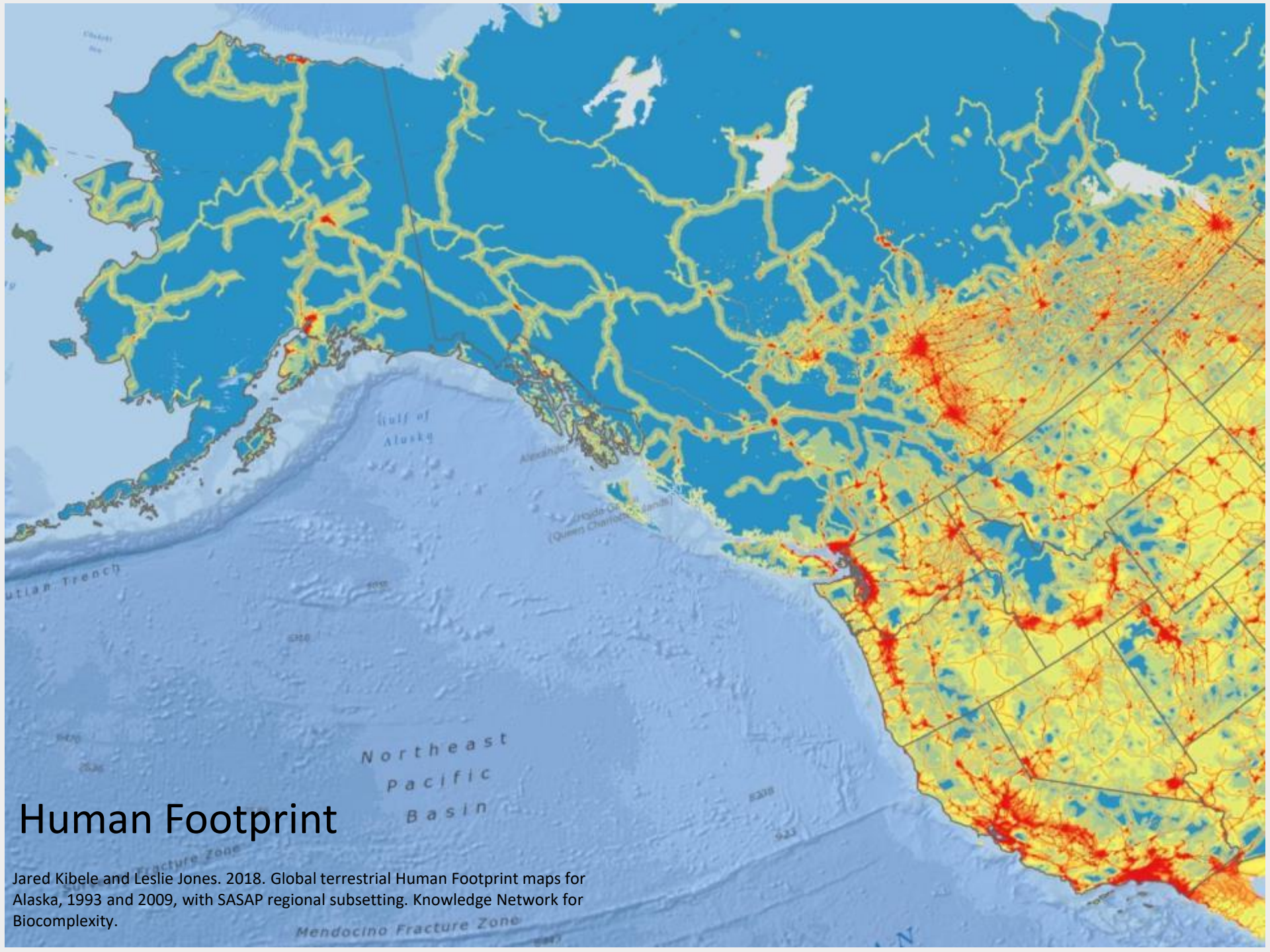
Target on-the-ground biological data collection - specific to life-histories such as spawning and juvenile rearing locations by mapping thermally suitable habitats



# Model Application...

Understand thermal niche of  
Pike and project expansion  
within and beyond the Deshka  
watershed





# Human Footprint

Jared Kibele and Leslie Jones. 2018. Global terrestrial Human Footprint maps for Alaska, 1993 and 2009, with SASAP regional subsetting. Knowledge Network for Biocomplexity.

# Cumulative Impacts Management – Freshwater Habitat

Climate

WATER QUALITY

HATCHERIES

INVASIVE SPECIES

POLLUTION

+

Land-use

MINING AND LOGGING

RECREATION

ROADS

CULVERTS