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Background

Everglades Depth Estimation Network (EDEN) has been a pivotal tool for ecologists and biologists studying the Everglades. The EDEN provides spatially explicit hydrologic information that is important in understanding and predicting ecological responses of biological communities to the hydrologic changes in the Everglades. Real time stage data and modeled daily water-surface-elevation and water-depth information (1991-present) are publically available through the EDEN's interactive web-based platform. To support EDEN, which examines stage data from all the Federal and State agencies with permanent recorders in the Everglades, funds were combined from the USGS, the SFWMD and the USACE. These funds were used to install and maintain additional water-level gages in regions where more ecohydrologic data were needed, to create a water surface map/data, to support a user-friendly graphic user interface (GUI), and to be supportive of research requests to synthesize these data in ways that improve RECOVER's understanding of Everglades structure and function. Since funds from all three agencies have been significantly reduced over the last five years, the RECOVER Executive Committee (REC) is looking at the feasibility of shifting from EDEN to the South Florida Water Depth Assessment Tool (SFWDAT) for assessments and evaluations. The SFWDAT, developed by the South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD), intends to model realistic water surface elevations within the independent basins composing the Everglades. However, SFWDAT does not have the user-interface or the convenience of EDEN. Preliminary cost estimates indicate that EDEN-like functionality can be added to SFWDAT for a small amount of money. Thus, a procedure to compare the accuracy, precision, and utility of the SFWDAT and EDEN water surface elevations is important to evaluate SFWDAT. Short-term studies covering different aspects of ecosystem structure and function in the Everglades would help in understanding the scientific functionality of SFWDAT in comparison to EDEN.

This document describes the results of an analysis conducted to evaluate the relative effectiveness of the use of SFWDAT and EDEN water elevation data in monitoring vegetation responses to hydrologic changes in two important ecological elements of the Everglades ecosystems; i) marl prairie landscape, and ii) tree islands. The analysis integrates the information on vegetation composition with physically-surveyed ground elevation and water stage data to calculate hydrologic parameters, and compares them with the parameters based on field measurements of water depth, and modeled water-surface elevation, independently derived from both the EDEN and SFWDAT.

1. Introduction

Water stage data produced by Everglades Depth Estimation Network (EDEN) are frequently used in RECOVER-funded monitoring projects in the Everglades, including marl prairie and ridge-slough & tree island landscapes. In such projects, landscape-level assessment of vegetation dynamics is often based on an understanding of site-specific statistical models, representing the relationships between existing vegetation composition and hydrologic conditions. The use of EDEN stage data in developing the statistical models for both the marl prairie landscape and tree islands, where sites are flooded for 0-10 months, has always been challenging. In several cases, discrepancies in hydrologic metrics based on EDEN's water surface and based on the nearest stage recorder were observed. The use of water-surface produced by the South Florida Water Depth Assessment Tools (SFWDAT) could be an alternative, as the SFWDAT water-surface elevations were found to be strongly correlated with observed water levels at 24 independent USGS benchmarks in Water Conservation Areas (Godin 2012), and the correlation was slightly stronger than between observed water levels and EDEN water-surface elevations (Volin et al. 2008). However, such an analysis for evaluating watersurface elevation modeled by SFWDAT is not available for the sites in Everglades National Park (ENP). Water level measurements at independent benchmarks usually have high precision in the validation process. However, these data can only be obtained in the wet season, typically July to October, and are not always available. In such cases, existing statistical models of the hydrology:vegetation relationship for marl prairie and tree islands may be a viable alternative for assessing the usefulness of SFWDAT water-surface model in RECOVER-funded monitoring projects.

This study is designed to compare the accuracy, precision, and utility of the SFWDAT and EDEN water-surface elevations as it relates to individual MAP goals and objectives. The general question addressed in this report is: Can SFWDAT provide the data needed to develop vegetation:environment relationships in marl prairies and tree islands? The objective of the present study is to evaluate the relative effectiveness of the use of SFWDAT and EDEN water-surface model in monitoring vegetation responses to hydrologic changes in i) marl prairie landscape, and ii) tree islands.

2. Methodology

2.1 Data acquisition

The study area includes the marl prairie landscape, the habitat of Cape Sable seaside sparrow (CSSS), within the Everglades National Park (ENP), Big Cypress National Preserve (BICY) and Southern Glades Wildlife Environmental Area (SGWEA), and tree islands in the marshes and prairies of ENP and Water Conservation Area 3A &3B (WCA3A and 3B). Vegetation composition data were available for 906 plots (293 transect and 613 census sites) within the habitat of six CSSS sub-populations (A-F) in the marl prairie landscape (Ross et al. 2006), and 846 plots on nine tree islands (Ross & Jones 2004; Sah et al. 2015) (**Figure 1; Table 1**). Ground surface elevations, obtained by surveying from a USGS benchmark of known elevation, were available for 292 marl prairie plots along six transects of 2.5-11 km (Ross et al. 2006), and for 550 plots along twelve transects of 110-1000 m on three Shark Slough tree islands

(Ross & Jones 2004). Water depths, measured in the field, were available for 597 marl prairie plots (172 transect and 426 census sites; Gaiser et al. 2006, Sah et al. 2009), and for 294 tree island plots on nine tree islands (Sah et al. 2015) (**Table 1**).

Table 1: Number of plots for which vegetation, ground elevation (physically surveyed), and field measurements of water depth are available.

No. of plots	Marl pra	airie sites	Tree island		
	Transect Census		Study 1: Transects	Study 2: Transects	
			on 3 SS islands	on nine islands	
Vegetation data	293	613	537	309	
Ground elevation (surveyed)	292		550		
Field measurement of water depth	172	426		294	

For both marl prairie and tree islands sites, water stage data were extracted from the EDEN using X-Y locator tool. Comparable SFWDAT daily water stage data were obtained from South Florida Water Management District (SFWMD) for the specified sites, identified by NAD1983 UTM coordinates, for the period of 1991-2013.

2.2 Data Analysis

2.2.1 Marl prairie landscape

Ground surface elevations at 292 sites along six transects of 2.5-11 km within the marl prairie landscape were obtained by surveying by autolevel from a USGS benchmark of known elevation. Water depths were subsequently measured at 171 sites during the wet season of 2004. Using the surveyed ground elevation and water-surface elevation data produced by EDEN and SFWDAT, the water depths at those sites were estimated for the specific dates and evaluated against the observed water depths.

Hydroperiod, defined as the number of days when water level was above the ground, had been estimated for the transect sites using elevation data from topographic surveys and water level data from nearby stage recorders. A weighted averaging partial least square (WAPLS) regression model had been developed using vegetation and hydroperiod data from 292 sites along the transects, and the model was applied to calculate vegetation-inferred hydroperiod from species abundance data collected at 613 sites distributed throughout the Everglades marl prairies (Ross et al. 2006). Water depth was measured at 426 of these sites at the time of vegetation survey or in the wet season of 2008. Vegetation-inferred hydroperiods at 416 sites with available EDEN and SFWDAT data were evaluated against the hydroperiods calculated using stage data from both the EDEN and SFWDAT.

2.2.2 Tree islands

Ground elevation data obtained by surveying from USGS benchmarks of known elevation were available for 550 plots at 5-10 m intervals along 12 transects in three Shark Slough tree islands. Annual mean hydroperiod and water depth at each plot location along the transects were estimated using elevation data in conjunction with long term water level records (since 1986) at the nearest stage recorders (Ross and Jones, 2004; Sah et al. 2012). For those

sites, we also calculated annual mean hydroperiod using the ground elevation data and both the EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface data. Since, water depths measured in the field were not available for these sites, hydrologic metrics obtained using EDEN and SFWDAT were directly evaluated against the stage-based hydrologic data. Moreover, species' optimum hydroperiod and water depth, estimated through a weighted averaging regression model developed from the stage-based hydrologic metric and vegetation composition data, were also available (Ross and Jones 2004; Sah 2004). We calculated species' optimum hydroperiod and water depth using the EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydrologic metric, and then evaluated them against the values obtained using the model based on the nearest stage data.

Finally, a weighted averaging regression model was developed using the stage recorder data-based hydrologic metric and vegetation data collected in 2011 along only nine transects perpendicular to the major axis of those three islands. The model was applied to calculate vegetation-inferred hydroperiod from species abundance data collected at 307 sites along N-S transects on nine islands in different regions – Shark River Slough (SRS), Northeast Shark River Slough (NESRS) and Water Conservation Area 3A and 3B (WCA3A & 3B). Water depth was measured at 294 of these sites during the time of vegetation survey, whereas for another 13 sites, ground elevation data were estimated from other sources (Ross & Jones, 2004; Ruiz et al. 2011). Thus, the vegetation-inferred estimates of hydroperiod were evaluated against estimates calculated using EDEN and SFWDAT data for 307 sites.

2.2.3 Evaluation method

Statistical analyses were used to evaluate the relative performance of EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface model-based water depths against observed water depths. Water depth data were first assessed for normality with the Shapiro-Wilk test. When all three measures of water depths were normally distributed, we used Pearson correlation to assess the strength of correlation, and a paired-t test to examine the difference in the means between observed and EDEN or SFWDAT water depths. When data were not normally distributed, we applied logarithmic or square root transformation to normalize the data. If the transformation was not adequate and the data were still non-normal, we used Spearman's rank correlation and Wilcoxon matched-pair test to examine the correlation and differences between observed and EDEN or SFWDAT model-based water depths. Additionally, root mean square error (RMSE), a reliable index for evaluating alternative models (Willmott 1981) that measures the deviation of predicted values from observed values, was used to compare the relative performance of EDEN and SFWDAT model-based water depths. Since water depths calculated from EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface models represent predicted values, RMSE was calculated using the formula:

$$RMSE = \sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} (y_i - y_{m,i})^2}$$

In the above equation, 'n' is the number of observations, y_i is the observed water depth at the 'ith' site, and $y_{m,i}$ is the EDEN or SFWDAT model-based water depth. Further, we assessed the differences in relative performance. We randomly selected 100 sites 30 times, calculated RMSE as above for each sample, and used a paired t-test to examine the differences in mean RMSE between the two models.

Similar statistical approaches were also used for evaluating EDEN and SFWDAT modelbased hydroperiods against the observed or vegetation-inferred hydroperiods. The vegetationinferred hydroperiods were the predicted values obtained using vegetation composition data for the sites without known hydrologic conditions and the WAPLS regression model developed from an independent training data set. Correlation and paired t-tests were done using STATISTICA v. 7.0 (Statsoft Inc.). Random selection of sites and RMSE – related analyses were done in 'R' v. 3.0.3 (R Development Core Team. 2014). Finally, spatial variation in the deviations of modeled values from the observed values was visualized with ArcGIS 10.3.

3. Results

3.1 Marl Prairie

In the marl prairie landscape, observed water depths as well as EDEN and SFWDAT model-based water depths for the sites along the transects were not normally distributed (Shapiro-Wilk test; W > 0.92, P<05). Neither of data transformation methods used to normalize the water depth data was adequate. Thus, the non-parametric statistics were used to test the statistical relationships among the three water depths. Before analysis, two outliers were removed, reducing the number of sites to 169. The Spearman's rank correlation results showed that both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based water depths were strongly correlated to observed water depths ($\rho = 0.818$ and $\rho = 0.825$, respectively). Wilcoxon test for pair data showed that EDEN water depths were not statistically different from observed water depths (n=169, Z =1.288, p = 0.198). In contrast, SFWDAT and observed water depths significantly differed (n =169, Z = 5.435, p < 0.001). The median values of observed, EDEN and SFWDAT water depths were 12.0, 12.8 and 15.1 cm (Table 2). In general, both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based water depths were higher than the observed water depths (Figure 2). Root mean square error (RMSE) is considered informative for any model evaluation. The RMSE of EDEN model-based water depth was 6.43 cm, which was lower than 7.83 cm, the RMSE of SFWDAT model-based water depths. When the RMSEs calculated for 30 subsets of 100 sites were compared, the mean RMSE significantly differed (Paired t-test; df = 29, t = 25.1, p < 00.1) between two models. The SFWDAT model had higher mean RMSE (7.76 cm) than the EDEN model (6.38 cm).

Table 2: Observed and EDEN- and SFWDAT-predicted water depths at 169 sites along 6 transects within the marl prairie landscape. EDEN- and SFWDAT-predicted water depths were obtained by subtracting ground elevation from the respective water stage data. Different letters in superscript indicate the statistically different (Wilcoxon test; p < 0.05).

Water depth (cm)	Ν	Mean	Std.Dev.	Median	Minimum	Maximum	Skewness	RMSE
Field measurements	169	14.3	9.7	12.0 ^a	1.0	44.3	0.76	-
EDEN-predicted	169	14.9	11.4	12.8 ^a	-5.0	43.1	0.35	6.43
SFWDAT-predicted	169	17.6	12.4	15.1 ^b	-4.0	45.6	0.48	7.83

All three measures of hydroperiod, i.e., vegetation-inferred hydroperiod, EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiod, were non-normally distributed (Shapiro-Wilk test; P<0.05). Since neither square root nor logarithmic data transformations successfully normalized the hydroperiod data, the non-parametric statistics were used to test statistical relationship among three measures of hydroperiod. The Spearman's rank correlation results showed that both EDEN

and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods were strongly correlated with vegetation-inferred hydroperiod ($\rho = 0.741$ and $\rho = 0.790$, respectively). Wilcoxon signed rank-test for paired data showed that SFWDAT model-based hydroperiod were not statistically different from vegetation-inferred hydroperiod (n=416, Z = 1.055, p = 0.292). In contrast, EDEN model-based and vegetation-inferred hydroperiod significantly differed (n = 416, Z = 7.294, p < 0.001). The median values of vegetation-inferred, EDEN and SFWDAT hydroperiods were 235, 218, and 244 days (**Table 3**). The RMSEs of EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiod were 57.0 and 57.9 days, respectively, and in general, both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods were lower than inferred-hydroperiod, especially towards the drier end (hydroperiod < 200) of the hydrologic gradient (**Figure 3**). When the RMSEs calculated for 30 subsets of 100 sites were compared, the difference in mean RMSEs for hydroperiod between the EDEN and SFWDAT models (RMSE = 56.6 and 57.4 days, respectively) was not statistically significant (Paired t-test; df = 29, t = 0.92, p = 0.364). Spatial distribution of errors revealed that there is not a consistent pattern in distribution of errors for both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods (**Figures 4a, b**).

Table 3: Summary of vegetation-inferred hydroperiod and EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface model-based hydroperiod at 416 sites within the marl prairie landscape. EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydropriods were calculated from daily water depth time series and averaged over 5 years before the date of vegetation sampling. Different letters in superscript indicate the statistically different (Wilcoxon test; p < 0.05).

Data source for Hydroperiod	Ν	Mean	Std. Dev.	Median	Minimum	Maximum	Skewness	RMSE
Vegetation-inferred hydroperiod	416	229	66	235	58	365	-0.278	-
EDEN-Water Surface Model	416	208	77	218	9	353	-0.403	57.0
SFWDAT-Water Surface Model	416	230	92	244	4	364	-0.646	57.9

3.2 Tree islands

At the plot locations for which surveyed ground elevation data were available, fieldmeasured water depths were not available. Thus, both EDEN- and SFWDAT model-based water depths were evaluated relative to each other and to hydrologic metrics calculated from the nearest stage recorder. In general, SFWDAT model-based 20-year mean annual hydroperiods and water depths at the tree island sites were slightly higher than the EDEN model-based hydroperiods and water depths (Table 4). Both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based water depths were strongly correlated with nearest stage recorder-based water depths (Spearman's correlation: $\rho = 0.989$ and $\rho = 0.986$, respectively). Despite the strong correlation, both model-based water depths differed significantly from stage recorder-based water depths (Wilcoxon paired-test: n =613, Z = 13.6, p < 0.001; and Z = 16.7, p < 0.001). The median values of stage recorder, EDENand SFWDAT model-based 20-year average water depths were 10.2, 11.1 and 11.8 cm. The RMSE of SFWDAT model-based water depth was 3.7 cm, which was 1 cm higher than the RMSE of EDEN model-based water depth (Figure 5a, b). A similar pattern was found for the 20-year annual mean hydroperiod. Both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods were strongly correlated with the nearest stage recorder-based hydroperiods (Spearman's correlation: $\rho = 0.990$ and $\rho = 0.985$, respectively). However, the median values of both hydroperiods differed significantly from stage recorder-based hydroperiods (n = 613, Z = 11.6, p < 0.001; and Z = 15.8, p<0.001). The median values of stage recorder, EDEN- and SFWDAT model-based 20-year average hydroperiod were 253, 263 and 269 days. The RMSE of EDEN model-based hydroperiod was 12 days, which was lower than 17 days, the RMSE of SFWDAT model-based hydroperiod (**Table 4; Figure 5c, d**).

Table 4: Stage recorder, EDEN model and SFWDAT model-based annual mean water depth and hydroperiod averaged over 20 years for 613 sites on the three Shark Slough tree islands. Different letters in superscript indicate the statistically different (Wilcoxon test; p < 0.05).

20-Year average water depth (cm)	Ν	Mean	Std.Dev.	Median	Minimum	Maximum	Skewness	RMSE
Stage recorder-based	613	3.9	25.6	10.2	-99.6	61.5	-0.811	-
EDEN-predicted	613	5.4	25.3	11.1	-100.2	60.9	-0.906	2.72
SFWDAT-predicted	613	6.5	25.4	11.8	-100.1	61.0	-0.980	3.73
20-Year average hydroperiod (days)								
Stage recorder-based	613	224	105	253	0	364	-1.712	-
EDEN-predicted	613	230	104	263	0	364	-1.691	12
SFWDAT-predicted	613	235	105	269	0	364	-1.692	17

In agreement with the above differences in annual mean hydroperiod and water depths, the species' optimum hydroperiod and water depth calculated with a weighted averaging regression model were also in the order of Stage<EDEN<WDAT. The WA regression model using hydrologic metrics calculated from SFWDAT water-surface model consistently predicted 1-2 cm higher species' optimum water depth than EDEN water-surface model.

Water depth data obtained in the field were available for 294 sites along the N-S transects on nine tree islands. However, for those sites fine scale site specific ground elevation data were not available. Thus, the ground elevation for each plot was calculated by subtracting field water depths from both the EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface models. Both the EDEN and SFWDAT model-based ground elevations were strongly correlated (Spearman's correlation: $\rho =$ 0.989; p < 0.001), and median values of ground elevation were not significant different between two models (Wilcoxon paired-rank test: (n=294, Z = 1.35, p = 0.177). The median values of EDEN and SFWDAT model-based ground elevations were 155.3 cm and 154.3 cm (**Table 5**).

Table 5: Summary of EDEN and SFWDAT model-based ground elevation on tree islands in five regions. EDENand SFWDAT model- based ground elevations were calculated by subtracting the field water depth from the watersurface elevation extracted for each site location. Different letters in superscript indicate the statistically different (Wilcoxon test; p < 0.05).

		Ground elevation (cm)									
Region	N	EDI	EN Model-	based	SFWI	DAT Mode	Wilco	Wilcoxon test			
		Mean	Std. Dev.	Median	Mean	Std. Dev.	Median	Ζ	p-value		
All regions	294	168.5	39.0	155.3	168.1	38.1	154.8	1.35	0.177		
Shark River Slough	116	136.7	10.2	135.7	138.1	10.4	137.0	8.64	< 0.001		
Northeast Shark River Slough	64	157.7	10.9	155.3	162.0	14.9	160.5	4.54	< 0.001		
WCA 3A-Central	49	239.5	10.5	240.7	237.7	10.6	239.7	6.09	< 0.001		
WCA 3A-South	18	217.0	13.8	218.3	214.9	13.7	216.2	3.72	< 0.001		
WCA 3B	47	168.9	9.5	172.4	160.3	9.5	163.4	5.97	< 0.001		

When analyzed by region, ground elevations based on two water surface models were significantly different among SRS, NESRS, WCA3A-C, WCA3A-S and WCA3B. In the SRS and NESRS regions, SFWDAT model-based mean and median values of elevations were higher than EDEN model-based elevations, whereas in both WCA3A and 3B, the EDEN model-based values were higher (**Table 5**).

For 307 sites on nine tree islands, both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods were significantly correlated with vegetation-inferred hydroperiod (Spearman's rank correlation: $\rho = 0.694$ and $\rho = 0.711$, respectively), and Wilcoxon paired-test revealed that neither model's hydroperiod was significantly different from the vegetation-inferred hydroperiod (n = 305, Z = 1.958, p < 0.051; and n=307, Z = 1.820, p=0.069). The median values of vegetation-inferred, EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods were 222, 230 and 239 days, respectively (**Table 6**).

Table 6: Summary of vegetation-inferred hydroperiod and EDEN and SFWDAT model- based hydroperiod at 307 sites along N-S transects on nine tree islands. EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydropriods were calculated from daily water depth time series and averaged over 7 years before the date of vegetation sampling. Different letters in superscript indicate the statistically different (Wilcoxon test; p < 0.05).

Data source for Hydroperiod	Ν	Mean St	td. Dev.	Median	Minimum	Maximum	Skewness	RMSE
Vegetation-inferred hydroperiod	307	224	63	222	0	324	-1.376	-
EDEN-Water Surface	307	217	79	230	0	361	-0.850	52
SFWDAT-Water Surface	307	227	82	239	0	365	-0.832	53

The RMSE between vegetation-inferred hydroperiod and both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiod were 52 and 53 days. At relatively dry sites, vegetation-inferred hydroperiods were lower than both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydroperiods (**Figure 7**). Based on 30 subsets of randomly selected 100 sites, the difference in mean RMSEs was not statistically significant (Paired t-test; df = 29, t = 1.62, p =0.114), suggesting that both EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface models are performing equally based on the vegetation-hydrology relationship.

4. Discussion and Conclusions

Developed for large areas and long time periods, both EDEN and SFWDAT watersurface models are useful tools to estimate water depth and hydroperiod, two important hydrologic metrics that shape Everglades plant communities and ecosystem processes. While the two models in estimating water depth and other hydrologic parameters differed in their estimates of hydrologic parameters across the landscapes, they did not differ much in terms of their application to the study of vegetation:hydrology relationships.

In the marl prairie landscape, water depths estimated using both EDEN and SFWDAT water surface models are strongly correlated with field-measured water depths. However, based on strength of the correlation, the EDEN water-surface model appears to be more reliable than SFWDAT. This finding was also supported by the error measurement. The RMSE obtained using EDEN model-based water depths was significantly lower than the error from SFWDAT

model-based water depths. In general, both EDEN and SFWDAT models appeared to predict higher water depths than those present in the field, and this tendency was exacerbated as water levels exceeded 15 cm (**Figure 2**). Moreover, the SFWDAT model predicted 2-2.5 cm higher water level than EDEN. The present finding is similar to results obtained in an independent study conducted within Southern Glades Wildlife Environmental Area (SGWEA), where water depths were measured in the field during the wet season of 2011, and the ground elevation calculated using both water-surface models were compared (Sah et al. 2014).

As in the marl prairie landscape, known ground elevation and water depth data obtained in the field were not available for the same place and time in the tree islands. Thus, a different approach was used to compare the both EDEN and SFWDAT model-based hydrologic metric. This study shows that averaged over long time periods (~ 20 years) – a period long enough to influence the overall structure and spatial extent of tree islands - hydrologic metrics derived from these two models were similar to each other, as well as to those based on the nearest stage recorder. The annual mean water level differed by only 2.5 to 4 cm and mean hydroperiod by 12-17 days. However, these values should be interpreted cautiously, as temporal variance in the behavior of two models might have been masked by the long-term average values. On the SRS islands, the values derived from SFWDAT model were consistently higher than those from EDEN model and stage recorder-based data, a pattern also observed in the marl prairie landscape in both Shark River and Taylor Slough basins. However, the pattern does not appear to be the same across different regions in the Everglades. In a separate study, we had field measurements of water depth on nine islands in four different regions - SRS, NESRS, WCA3A and WCA3B where ground elevations derived from field water depth in conjunction with EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface models revealed a spatially differentiated pattern. If ground elevation can be taken as a proxy for water depth and hydroperiod, SFWDAT appears to predict higher water level than EDEN in Everglades National Park, and even within the Park, the discrepancy between these two models is much higher in the NESRS than in SRS region. In contrast, the values based on SFWDAT model are lower in the WCAs, with the discrepancy between modelbased hydrologic metrics greater in the WCA3B than theWCA3A. This result confirms earlier findings by other researchers (Volin et al. 2008; Liu et al. 2009). While regional variation in water conditions across the management areas in the Everglades is the result of both natural variation in topography and the water management activities, the spatial differences in prediction of water condition pattern between two models across regions appear to be the result of the different procedures integrated in developing the water surface models.

Deviations of modeled water levels from observed values depends on several factors including quality of data gathered in the field, the procedures and techniques used in modeling, landscape features, etc. For the marl prairie locations for which EDEN and SFWDAT values were extracted in our analysis, ground elevations were obtained by surveying from the nearest benchmark with known elevation, and water depths were measured at 3 locations within the plot, adjacent to the specific site location. Although, spatial differences in exact locations between two measurements might have impacted the relationships between observed and modeled water depths, the differences expressed in terms of RMSE, are close to the higher end values reported for other areas in the Everglades (Volin et al. 2008; Liu et al. 2009). In their study, Liu et al. (2009) reported RMSE for the modeled water levels as 2.48 and 7.76 cm in WCA3A south and WCA3B, respectively. A similar metric based on water depth measurements were not available

for tree islands, but RMSE based on 20-year average water depths were within \pm 5 cm. In the present study of the marl prairie landscape, the RMSE for water depths calculated for EDEN and SFWDAT were 6.2 and 7.1 cm, close to the value observed by Liu et al. in WCA 3B, but within the range of 5-10 cm recommended by Poiani and Johnson (1993) for studying wetlands processes. Also, any error due to ground elevation data or field measurement of water depth will be same in the comparison with modeled water depths of both EDEN & SFWDAT. Thus, the differences in relative performance of both water surface models seem to be attributable to modeling procedures incorporated into them. Though both EDEN and SFWDAT models are based on the same stage data set, the processing of the data and interpolation methods used to develop the water surface differ (Palaseanu and Pearlstine, 2008; Godin 2012).

Hydrology is the major drivers of plant communities structure and function in the Everglades, where vegetation is arranged along a hydrologic gradient from open water sloughs dominated by water lilies (Nymphaea sp.) and spikerush (Eleocharis cellulosa) to dense sawgrass (Cladium mariscus ssp. jamaicense), and finally to woody communities (Gunderson 1994; Todd et al. 2010). To study spatial and temporal variation in vegetation structure and composition along the hydrologic gradient, detailed estimation of hydrologic parameters across the entire landscape is important. In this respect, both EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface models, developed to make long-term hydrologic data available for use by researchers/managers across different regions in the Everglades, are critical tools. Even though the relative values of hydrologic parameters derived from these models vary between regions, their performance in vegetation study does not appear to be much different. Vegetation-inferred hydroperiod, the hydroperiod predicted for an individual site based on vegetation composition, denotes a relationship between vegetation and hydrology (Armentano et al. 2006). Since it depends on vegetation composition and the associated hydrologic conditions, changes in vegetation-inferred hydroperiod in both space and time are indicative of changes in the response of vegetation to hydrology. In this study, an agreement between vegetation-inferred hydroperiod predicted using hydrologic metrics based on stage recorder data or, alternatively, based on EDEN or SFWDAT water surface models, appeared promising in both marl prairies and tree islands, suggesting that these two models do not differ much in their relative performance in studies of vegetation response to hydrology in the Everglades ecosystems.

In summary, both EDEN and SFWDAT water-surface models are important tools for studying vegetation composition and dynamics in the Everglades. While the values of major hydrologic parameters derived from SFWDAT model are consistently higher than those from EDEN model- and stage recorder-based hydrological data in the Everglades National Park, the SFWDAT model predicts lower values of hydroperiod and water depth than EDEN in the Water Conservation Areas. The degree of discrepancy in model-based hydrologic metrics between these two models also appears to vary depending on the water conditions of areas; in the regions with long hydroperiod and deeper water, such as SRS and WCA3A-S, the differences are small, whereas in relative dry areas such as marl prairies, NESRS and WCA3B, the two models differ more. Finally, even though they differ in predicting the hydrologic conditions to some level, their relative performance in studying vegetation composition, and possibly its dynamics too, do not appear to differ substantially.

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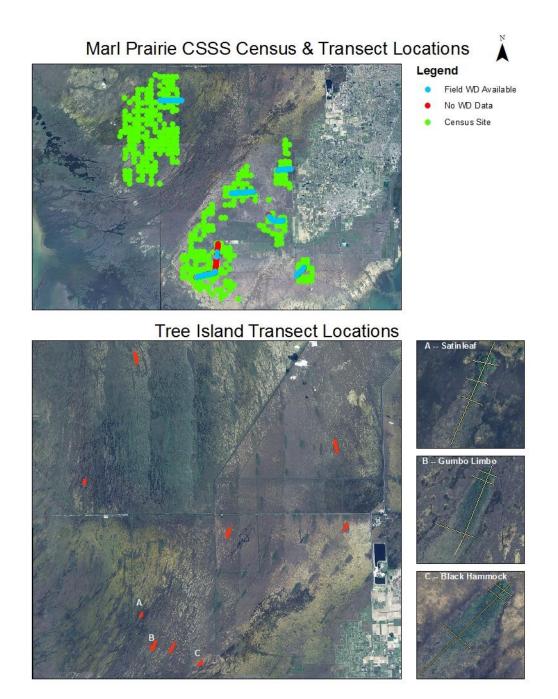


Figure 1: Maps showing the location of sites for which vegetation data, ground elevation and/or water depths measured in the field were available.

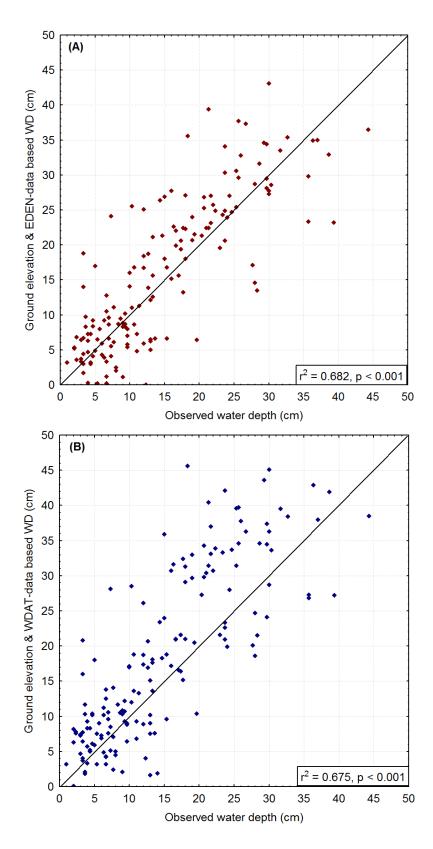


Figure 2: Relationship among field water depths and (A) EDEN- and (B) SFWDAT-predicted water depths along the transects within marl prairie landscape. Line represents 1:1 relationship.

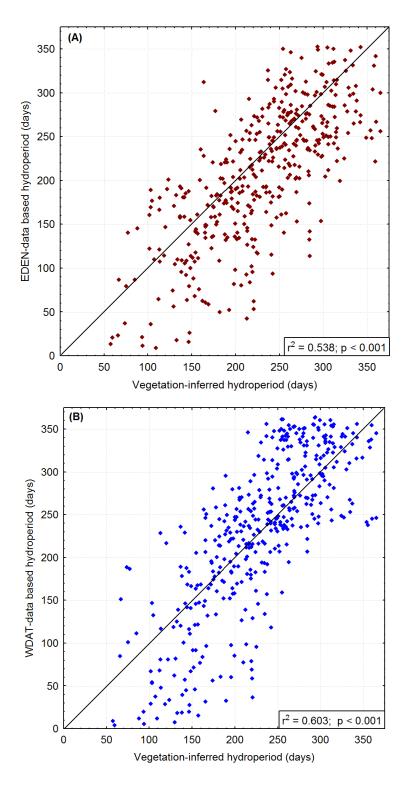


Figure 3: Relationship among vegetation-inferred hydroperiod and 5-year average EDEN- and SFWDAT modle-based hydroperiod at 416 sites within marl prairie landscape. Line represents 1:1 relationship

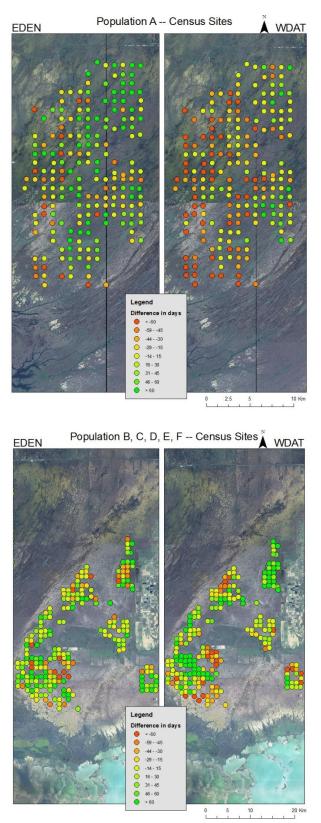


Figure 4: Spatial distribution of errors calculated between vegetation-inferred hydroperiod and EDEN or SFWDAT model-based 5-year average hydroperiod within the habitat of 6 sub-populations of Cape Sable seaside sparrow (CSSS) in the marl prairie landscape.

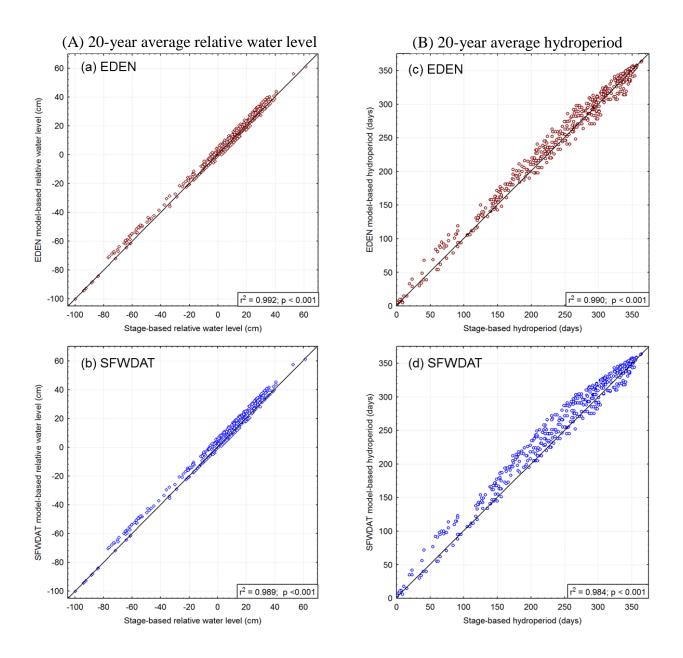


Figure 5: Relationship between stage-based and EDEN- or SFWDAT-water surface-based annual mean relative water level (a & b) and hydroperiod (c &d) for 613 plot locations along 12 transects on three Shark Slough tree islands. The annual mean relative water level and hydroperiod were averaged over 20 years (May 1, 1991 – April 30, 2001). Line represents 1:1 relationship

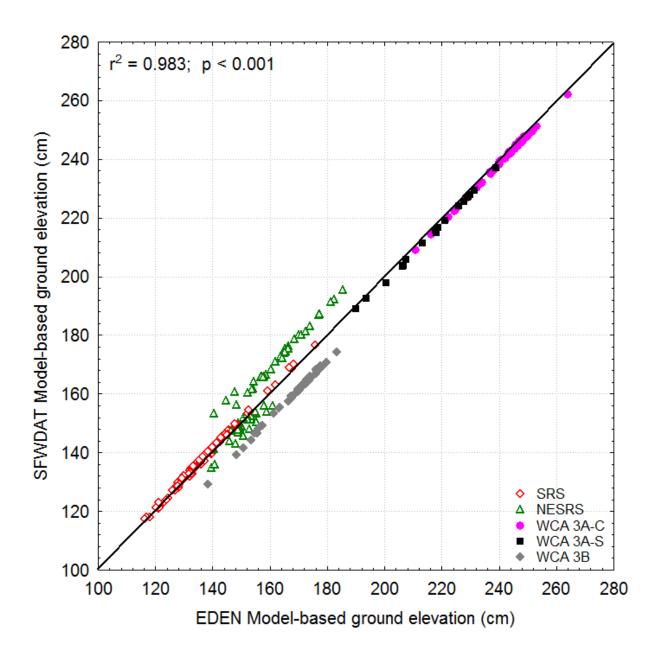


Figure 6: Relationship between EDEN and SFWDAT water surface-based ground elevation of 294 sites along N-S transects on the nine islands in three different regions. Ground elevation was calculated by subtracting the field water depths from respective water surface elevation extracted for the specified site. At the 15 sites, particularly in the hardwood hammocks, water depth data were not measured. Line represents 1:1 relationship

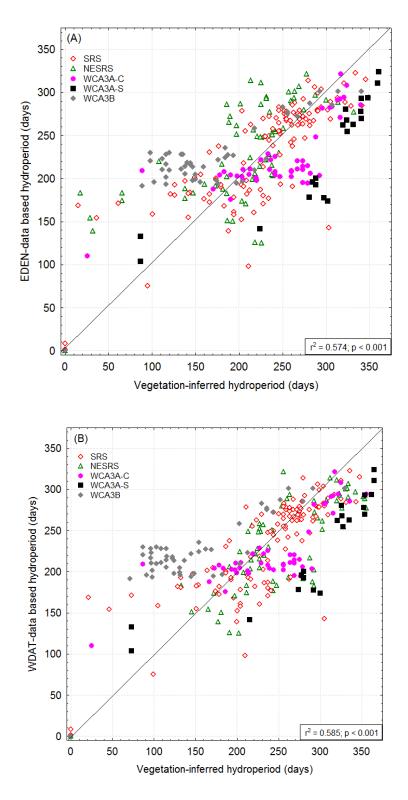


Figure 7: Relationship among vegetation-inferred hydroperiod, and 7-year average EDEN- and SFWDAT data based hydroperiod at 305 sites on nine tree islands. Line represents 1:1 relationship.

Appendices

Appendix 1: Mean water depths averaged over three field measurements taken in the vegetation survey plots at the
transect sites in the habitat of Cape Sable seaside sparrow (CSSS) within the marl prairie landscape.

SiteID	Easting	Northing	Date		SiteID	Easting	Northing	Date	Ave. Water
				depth (cm)					Depth (cm)
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TA-0200	516965	2841401	10/8/2004	28.0	TA-4700	512465	2841401	10/8/2004	30.0
TA-0300	516865	2841401	10/8/2004	23.7	TA-4800	512365	2841401	10/8/2004	20.7
TA-0400	516764	2841401	10/8/2004	24.0	TA-4900	512265	2841401	10/8/2004	15.0
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Appendix 2: Mean water depths averaged over three to five field measurements taken in the vegetation survey plots at the census sites in the habitat of Cape Sable seaside sparrow (CSSS) within the marl prairie landscape.

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C-04-02	537346	2814186	11/4/2005	14.3	E-05-04	532300	2824026	11/4/2005	31.7
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C-04-08	537337	2811189	11/4/2005	7.3	E-05-10	534342	2819154	11/4/2005	24.3
D-01-01	544330	2802350	10/6/2003	11.0	E-06-01	528381	2820973	11/4/2005	36.7
D-01-02	544353	2801405	10/6/2003	10.7	E-06-02	528372	2820118	11/4/2005	16.0
D-01-03	545411	2804403	10/6/2003	12.7	E-06-03	530353	2820150	11/4/2005	10.0
D-01-04	545491	2803420	10/6/2003	8.3	E-06-04	530349	2819144	11/4/2005	16.0
D-01-05	546405	2803429	10/6/2003	9.7	E-06-06	531333	2818167	6/3/2009	11.3
D-01-06	546354	2802405	10/6/2003	10.3	E-06-08	527361	2814156	11/4/2005	5.7
D-01-07	547357	2802409	10/6/2003	9.0	E-06-09	526403	2814131	6/3/2009	5.6
D-01-08	547475	2801336	10/6/2003	20.0	F-01-01	541821	2829046	10/07/03	14.0
D-01-09	547382	2800398	10/6/2003	22.7	F-01-02	542251	2826192	10/7/2003	12.0
D-02-03	546334	2804374	11/7/2005	14.0	F-01-03	540249	2827107	10/7/2003	18.7
D-02-05	544339	2803368	11/7/2005	7.0	F-01-04	539257	2825111	10/7/2003	29.7

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				depth (cm)					Depth (cm)
F-01-05	539212	2822102	10/7/2003	25.7	F-02-09	540244	2824095	11/4/2005	19.7
F-01-06	540198	2822176	10/7/2003	16.7	F-03-01	541200	2831069	11/27/09	9.3
F-01-07	540277	2823126	10/7/2003	20.3	F-03-02	542240	2827075	11/27/2009	2.3
F-01-08	541255	2823107	10/7/2003	12.3	F-03-03	541228	2826091	6/2/2009	10.8
F-01-09	542139	2821962	10/7/2003	11.0	F-03-04	540232	2826077	11/4/2005	32.0
F-01-10	542267	2821167	10/7/2003	5.3	F-03-05	540235	2825066	11/4/2005	41.7
F-02-01	541214	2832059	11/4/2005	35.3	F-03-06	539228	2824074	11/4/2005	48.0
F-02-02	541218	2830079	11/27/200	1.5	F-03-07	539231	2823030	6/2/2009	25.6
F-02-03	541215	2829129	11/27/200	5.4	F-03-08	541226	2822038	6/2/2009	9.8
F-02-05	541226	2827151	11/27/200	2.1	F-03-10	541220	2824087	6/2/2009	6.3
F-02-06	541225	2825084	6/2/2009	10.2	F-04-03	542228	2831060	11/27/2009	2.4

Appendix 3: Mean water depths averaged over three field measurements taken in the vegetation survey plots at the transect sites in the habitat of Cape Sable seaside sparrow (CSSS) within the marl prairie landscape.

SiteID	Easting	Northing	Date	Ave. Water depth (cm)	SiteID	Easting	Northing	Date	Ave. Water Depth (cm)
BL_01	531360	2832690	10/18/201	46.8	Chek_15	534302	2847268	11/14/201	14.0
BL_02	531330	2832661	10/18/201	57.0	Chek_16	534301	2847238	11/14/201	-1.0
BL_03	531297	2832630	10/18/201	NA	Chek_17	534267	2847209	11/14/201	15.0
BL_04	531263	2832595	10/18/201	35.6	Chek_18	534270	2847178	11/14/201	14.0
BL_05	531239	2832568	10/18/201	52.0	Chek_19	534264	2847154	11/14/201	20.0
BL_06	531208	2832540	10/18/201	35.0	Chek_20	534240	2847121	11/14/201	19.0
BL_07	531179	2832510	10/18/201	42.2	Chek_21	534239	2847083	11/14/201	13.0
BL_08	531149	2832482	10/18/201	35.2	Chek_22	534237	2847060	11/14/201	13.0
BL_09	531120	2832450	10/18/201	37.9	Chek_23	534210	2847028	11/14/201	28.0
BL_10	531089	2832421	10/18/201	50.6	Chek_24	534213	2847001	11/14/201	19.0
BL_11	531059	2832391	10/18/201	42.1	Chek_25	534209	2846970	11/14/201	11.0
BL_12	531030	2832360	10/18/201	41.3	Chek_26	534178	2846943	11/14/201	22.0
BL_13	531000	2832330	10/18/201	38.0	Chek_27	534182	2846909	11/14/201	21.0
BL_14	530970	2832300	10/18/201	53.0	Chek_28	534178	2846881	11/14/201	28.0
BL_15	530940	2832270	10/18/201	46.0	Chek_29	534149	2846850	11/14/201	20.0
BL_16	530910	2832240	10/18/201	50.0	Chek_30	534149	2846820	11/14/201	23.0
BL_17	530880	2832210	10/18/201	47.0	Chek_31	534151	2846790	11/14/201	27.0
BL_18	530850	2832180	10/18/201	52.7	Chek_32	534122	2846760	11/14/201	21.0
Chek_01	534417	2847689	11/14/201	44.0	Chek_33	534120	2846730	11/14/201	26.0
Chek_02	534418	2847665	11/14/201	39.0	Chek_34	534123	2846700	11/14/201	31.0
Chek_03	534420	2847631	11/14/201	36.0	Chek_35	534092	2846670	11/14/201	25.0
Chek_04	534390	2847596	11/14/201	30.0	Chek_36	534089	2846640	11/14/201	27.0
Chek_05	534390	2847571	11/14/201	19.0	Chek_37	534091	2846610	11/14/201	31.0
Chek_06	534389	2847541	11/14/201	7.0	Chek_38	534060	2846580	11/14/201	37.0
Chek_07	534357	2847510	11/14/201	NA	Chek_39	534058	2846550	11/14/201	33.0
Chek_08	534360	2847480	11/14/201	NA	Chek_40	534058	2846520	11/14/201	27.0
Chek_09	534357	2847447	11/14/201	NA	GL_01	526081	2834941	10/12/201	61.7
Chek_10	534361	2847419	11/14/201	NA	GL_02	526079	2834912	10/12/201	66.0
Chek_11	534361	2847391	11/14/201	2.0	GL_03	526049	2834880	10/12/201	53.7
Chek_12	534329	2847362	11/14/201	18.0	GL_04	526050	2834846	10/12/201	35.3
Chek_13	534331	2847323	11/14/201	7.0	GL_05	526048	2834824	10/12/201	40.3
Chek_14	534302	2847299	11/14/201	3.0	GL_06	526020	2834821	10/12/201	NA

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GL_13	525958	2834641	10/12/201	41.3	HL_20	547438	2847691	1/18/2013	19.3
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GL_19	525900	2834490	10/12/201	40.9	HL_26	547289	2847510	1/18/2013	21.5
GL_20	525901	2834463	10/12/201	43.2	HL_27	547261	2847480	1/18/2013	27.7
GL_21	525870	2834430	10/12/201	36.4	HL_28	547228	2847448	1/18/2013	28.2
GL_22	525868	2834403	10/12/201	38.7	JB_01	528297	2834788	11/27/201	58.0
GL_23	525869	2834370	10/12/201	44.6	JB_02	528302	2834760	11/27/201	62.0
GL_24	525839	2834371	10/12/201	33.6	JB_03	528269	2834723	11/27/201	25.0
GL_25	525842	2834340	10/12/201	45.5	JB_04	528268	2834700	11/27/201	NA
GL_26	525840	2834310	10/12/201	38.3	JB_05	528241	2834670	11/27/201	2.0
GL_27	525807	2834281	10/12/201	44.2	JB_06	528242	2834641	11/27/201	10.0
GL_28	525809	2834252	10/12/201	43.0	JB_07	528211	2834611	11/27/201	35.0
GL_29	525809	2834218	10/12/201	44.7	JB_08	528210	2834579	11/27/201	33.0
GL_30	525780	2834220	10/12/201	41.5	JB_09	528181	2834551	11/27/201	30.0
GL_31	525778	2834189	10/12/201	42.0	JB_10	528182	2834518	11/27/201	26.0
GL_32	525780	2834159	10/12/201	46.0	JB_11	528150	2834491	11/27/201	29.0
GL_33	525753	2834126	10/12/201	42.7	JB_12	528150	2834460	11/27/201	33.0
GL_34	525740	2834092	10/12/201	45.0	JB_13	528119	2834430	11/27/201	38.0
GL_35	525720	2834069	10/12/201	45.3	JB_14	528120	2834399	11/27/201	41.0
GL_36	525723	2834039	10/12/201	50.3	JB_15	528090	2834369	11/27/201	37.0
GL_37	525688	2834009	10/12/201	50.3	JB_16	528090	2834335	11/27/201	40.0
GL_38	525690	2833981	10/12/201	41.7	JB_17	528060	2834303	11/27/201	40.0
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GL_40	525661	2833923	10/12/201	49.7	JB_19	528031	2834249	11/27/201	40.0
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JB_36	527727	2833740	11/27/201	40.0	TI66_25	523861	2866801	2/1/2013	11.3
JB_37	527700	2833711	11/27/201	41.0	TI66_26	523859	2866771	2/1/2013	15.8
JB_38	527669	2833681	11/27/201	40.0	TI66_27	523889	2866741	2/1/2013	14.8
JB_39	527643	2833655	11/27/201	42.0	TI66_28	523890	2866711	2/1/2013	10.5
JB_40	527609	2833622	11/27/201	42.0	TI66_29	523890	2866682	2/1/2013	12.8
JB_41	527583	2833593	11/27/201	41.0	TI66_30	523889	2866650	2/1/2013	16.0
SL_01	524520	2838121	11/1/2012	59.7	TI66_31	523919	2866622	2/11/2013	7.7
SL_02	524520	2838091	11/1/2012	67.9	TI66_32	523921	2866589	2/11/2013	10.3
SL_03	524486	2838060	11/1/2012	22.2	TI66_33	523920	2866561	2/11/2013	14.3
SL_04	524488	2838030	11/1/2012	NA	TI66_34	523919	2866531	2/11/2013	4.0
SL_05	524490	2838003	11/1/2012	20.8	TI66_35	523949	2866499	2/11/2013	7.3
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SL_08	524457	2837910	11/1/2012	44.0	TI66_38	523950	2866410	2/11/2013	2.3
SL_09	524428	2837881	11/1/2012	46.0	TI66_39	523949	2866379	2/11/2013	17.0
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SL_11	524398	2837820	11/1/2012	45.1	TI66_41	523949	2866322	2/11/2013	18.8
SL_12	524399	2837791	11/1/2012	50.5	TI66_42	523948	2866291	2/11/2013	5.5
SL_13	524368	2837759	11/1/2012	49.0	TI66_43	523948	2866259	2/11/2013	21.8
SL_14	524370	2837731	11/1/2012	44.7	TI66_44	523947	2866230	2/11/2013	26.5
SL_15	524374	2837706	11/1/2012	48.3	TI66_45	523949	2866201	2/11/2013	26.7
SL_16	524340	2837670	11/1/2012	46.0	TI66_46	523949	2866171	2/11/2013	22.3
SL_17	524340	2837642	11/1/2012	47.7	TI66_47	523949	2866141	2/11/2013	25.7
SL_18	524308	2837612	11/1/2012	49.3	TI66_48	523949	2866109	2/11/2013	28.7
SL_19	524310	2837582	11/1/2012	51.0	TI66_49	523952	2866079	2/11/2013	34.7
SL_20	524282	2837550	11/1/2012	50.7	TI66_50	523952	2866049	2/11/2013	40.0
TI66_01	523709	2867521	2/1/2013	30.3	W3A266_01	518070	2853240	2/28/2014	50.0
TI66_02	523709	2867489	2/1/2013	33.7	W3A266_02	518070	2853210	2/28/2014	46.0
TI66_03	523710	2867461	2/1/2013	10.7	W3A266_03	518071	2853177	2/28/2014	22.0
TI66_04	523712	2867431	2/1/2013	NA	W3A266_04	518071	2853148	2/28/2014	1.0
TI66_05	523739	2867399	2/1/2013	6.8	W3A266_05	518071	2853121	2/28/2014	NA
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TI66_08	523768	2867312	2/1/2013	2.0	W3A266_08	518069	2853028	2/28/2014	11.0
TI66_09	523773	2867280	2/1/2013	17.8	W3A266_09	518072	2852998	2/28/2014	14.0
TI66_10	523770	2867248	2/1/2013	5.3	W3A266_10	518042	2852968	2/28/2014	11.0
TI66_11	523802	2867223	2/1/2013	5.0	W3A266_11	518043	2852939	2/28/2014	10.0
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	523801	2867159	2/1/2013	18.0		518041	2852879	2/28/2014	19.0
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	523832	2867101	2/1/2013	16.7		518003	2852820	2/28/2014	27.0
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TI66_17	523831	2867042	2/1/2013	8.3	W3A266_17	517978	2852757	2/28/2014	22.0
TI66_18	523829	2867012	2/1/2013	8.7	W3A266_18	517979	2852729	2/28/2014	33.0
TI66_19	523858	2866983	2/1/2013	16.7	W3A266_19	517980	2852702	2/28/2014	34.0
TI66_20	523860	2866952	2/1/2013	16.3	W3A266_20	517951	2852671	2/28/2014	39.0
TI66_21	523860	2866919	2/1/2013	4.3	W3B12_01	546299	2857591	12/7/2012	44.7
TI66_22	523859	2866891	2/1/2013	3.5	W3B12_01 W3B12_02	546299	2857560	12/7/2012	54.7
TI66_22	523859	2866861	2/1/2013	12.0	W3B12_02	546299	2857529	12/7/2012	42.3
TI66_24	523860	2866833	2/1/2013	6.7	W3B12_03	546299	2857500	12/7/2012	39.7

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				depth (cm)					Depth (cm)
W3B12_0	546300	2857471	12/7/2012	37.5	W3B12_27	546420	2856810	12/7/2012	18.0
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W3B12_0	546330	2857412	12/7/2012	9.7	W3B12_29	546420	2856750	12/7/2012	20.0
W3B12_0	546300	2857383	12/7/2012	NA	W3B12_30	546449	2856722	12/7/2012	12.3
W3B12_0	546330	2857381	12/7/2012	NA	W3B12_31	546450	2856690	12/7/2012	16.0
W3B12_0	546329	2857351	12/7/2012	16.0	W3B12_32	546450	2856660	12/7/2012	13.0
W3B12_1	546329	2857321	12/7/2012	22.7	W3B12_33	546452	2856632	12/7/2012	18.7
W3B12_1	546330	2857294	12/7/2012	20.6	W3B12_34	546450	2856600	12/7/2012	15.3
W3B12_1	546326	2857263	12/7/2012	19.8	W3B12_35	546480	2856570	12/7/2012	22.3
W3B12_1	546328	2857232	12/7/2012	15.8	W3B12_36	546479	2856543	12/7/2012	23.0
W3B12_1	546360	2857204	12/7/2012	19.6	W3B12_37	546481	2856511	12/7/2012	25.7
W3B12_1	546359	2857171	12/7/2012	19.2	W3B12_38	546481	2856480	12/7/2012	24.3
W3B12_1	546361	2857140	12/7/2012	19.3	W3B12_39	546478	2856450	12/7/2012	19.0
W3B12_1	546359	2857110	12/7/2012	15.8	W3B12_40	546480	2856420	12/7/2012	13.7
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