

Spatial Analysis and Planning System to Determine the Impact of Urbanisation on Freshwater Quality

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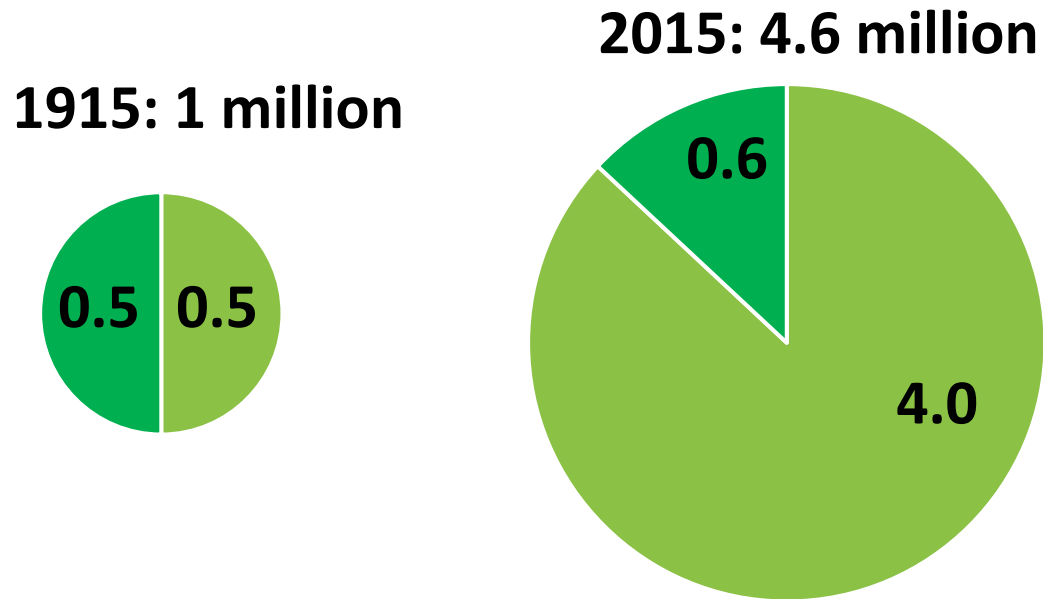
Property Prices



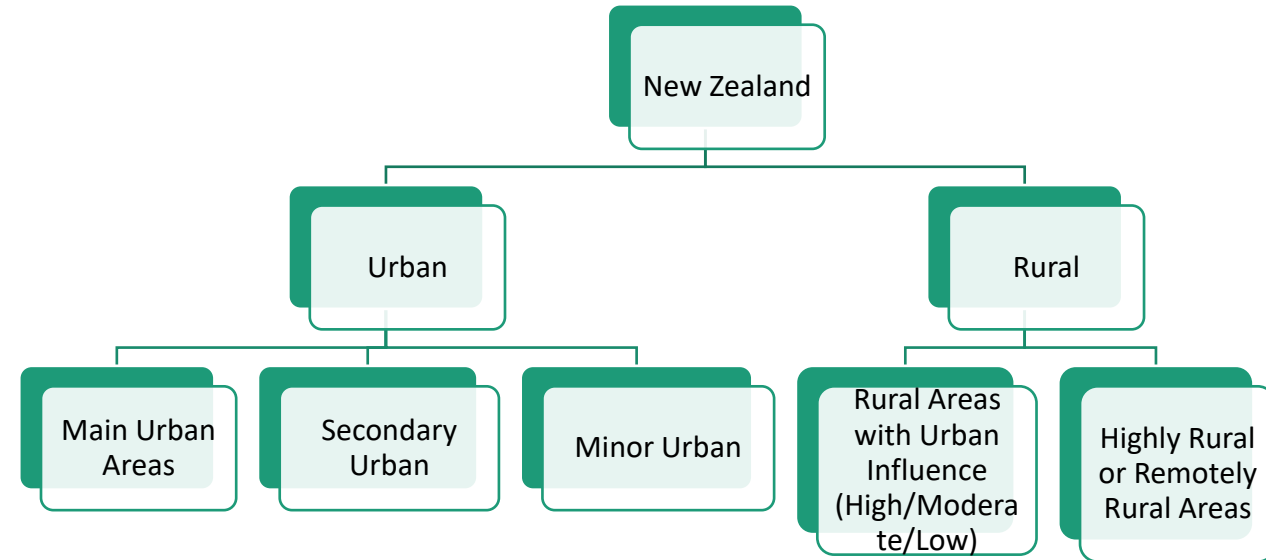
Aggregate waterfront property values could increase by roughly **\$400–\$700M** in response to water clarity improvements.

Total aggregated present value of benefits (discounted to the year of 2017) with a 25% decrease in Chlorophyll concentration was **\$45.52M**.

Population Distribution of New Zealand

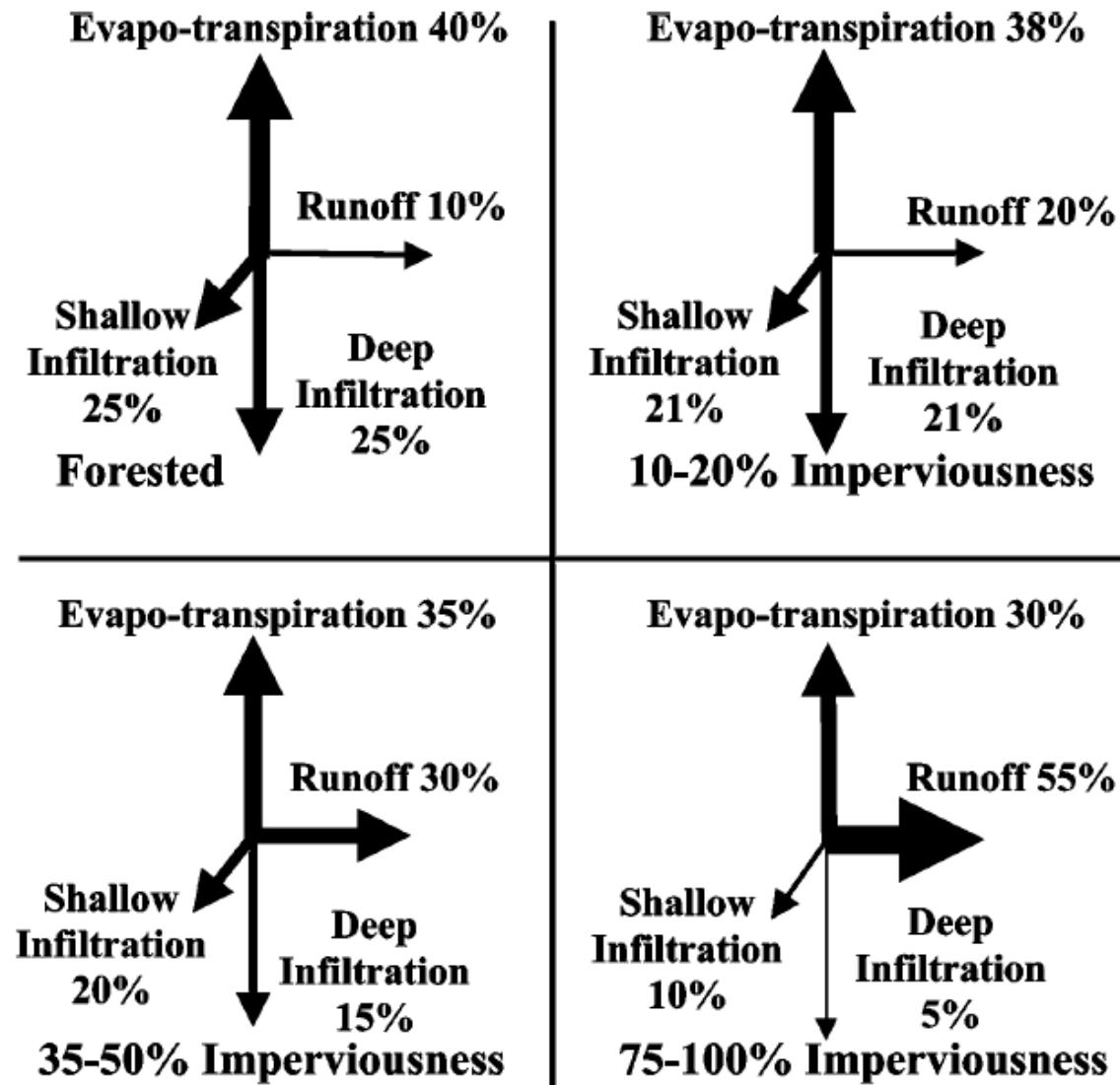
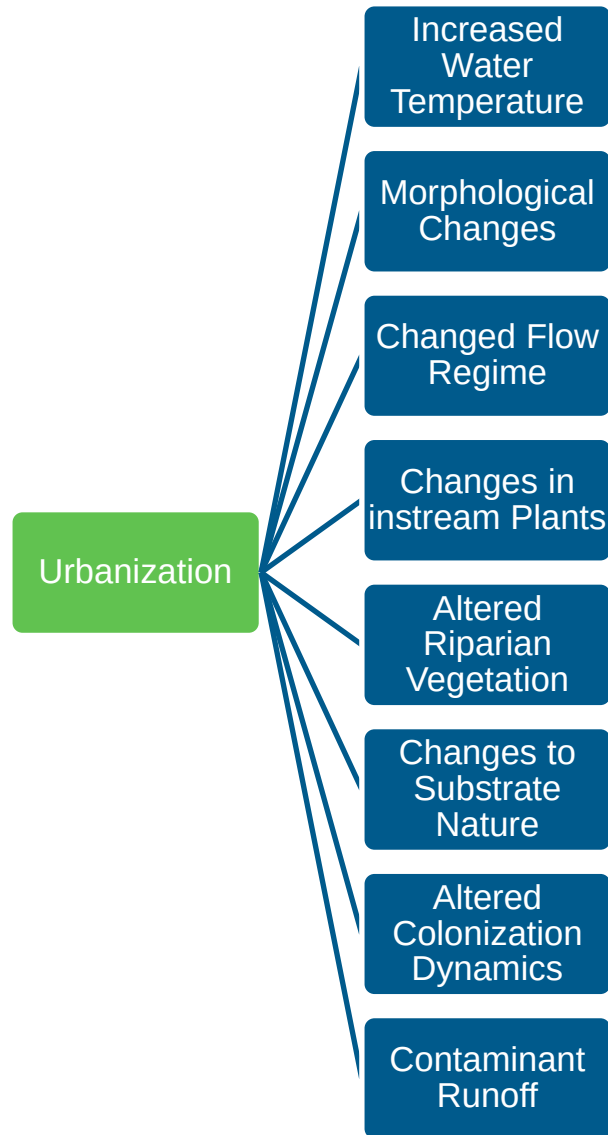


Almost all population growth during last century has been in towns and cities



Areas	1991 (%)	1996 (%)	2001 (%)	2006 (%)
Main Urban (>30,000)	69.6	70.2	71	71.8
Secondary Urban (>10,000)	6.9	6.5	6.3	6.0
Minor Urban (>1,000)	9.0	8.7	8.4	8.1
Rural (>300)	2.3	2.3	2.1	2.0
Highly Rural	12.2	12.3	12.1	12.0

Impact of Urbanisation on Freshwater



Current state of Urban waterways



Stormwater discharges into receiving environment

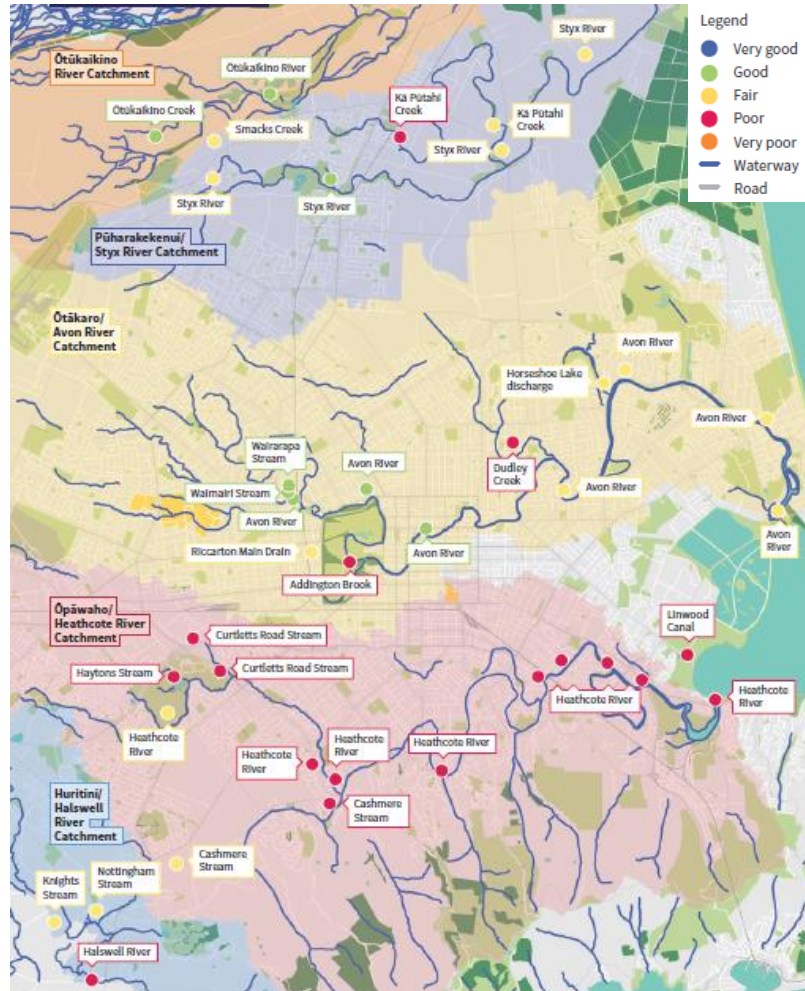
City	No. of Discharge Outlets
Auckland	19,919
Christchurch	5206
Tauranga	2590
Wellington	2200
Dunedin	734
Palmerston North	274
Timaru	177
Invercargill	147
Whakatane	43
Napier	14



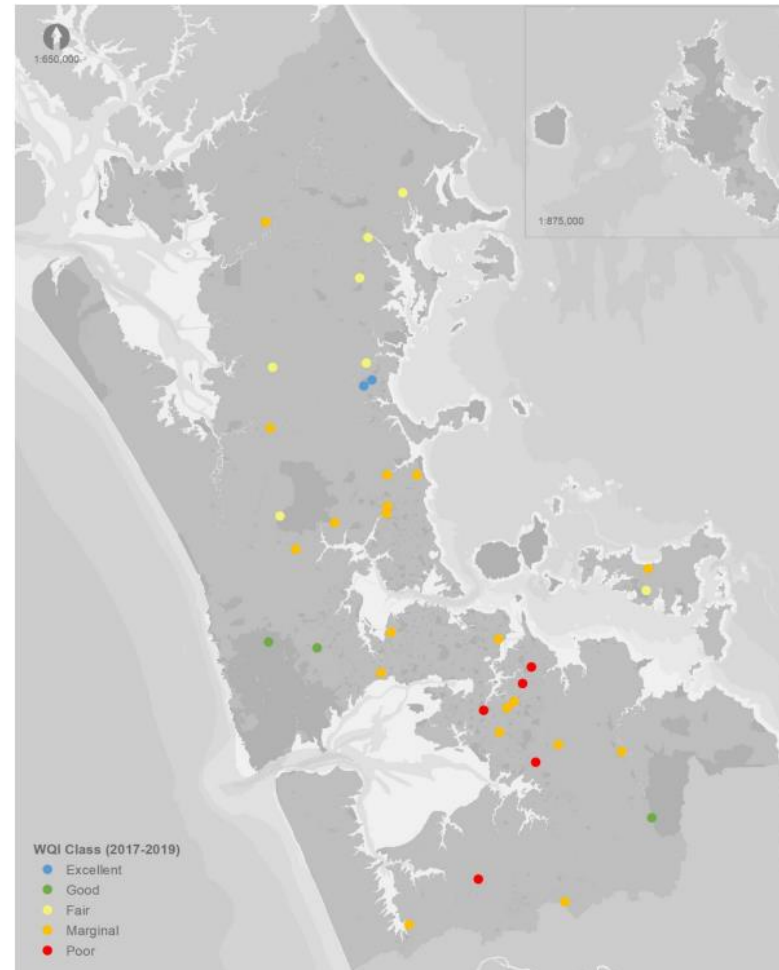
Example from NZ

New Zealand Cities

Christchurch



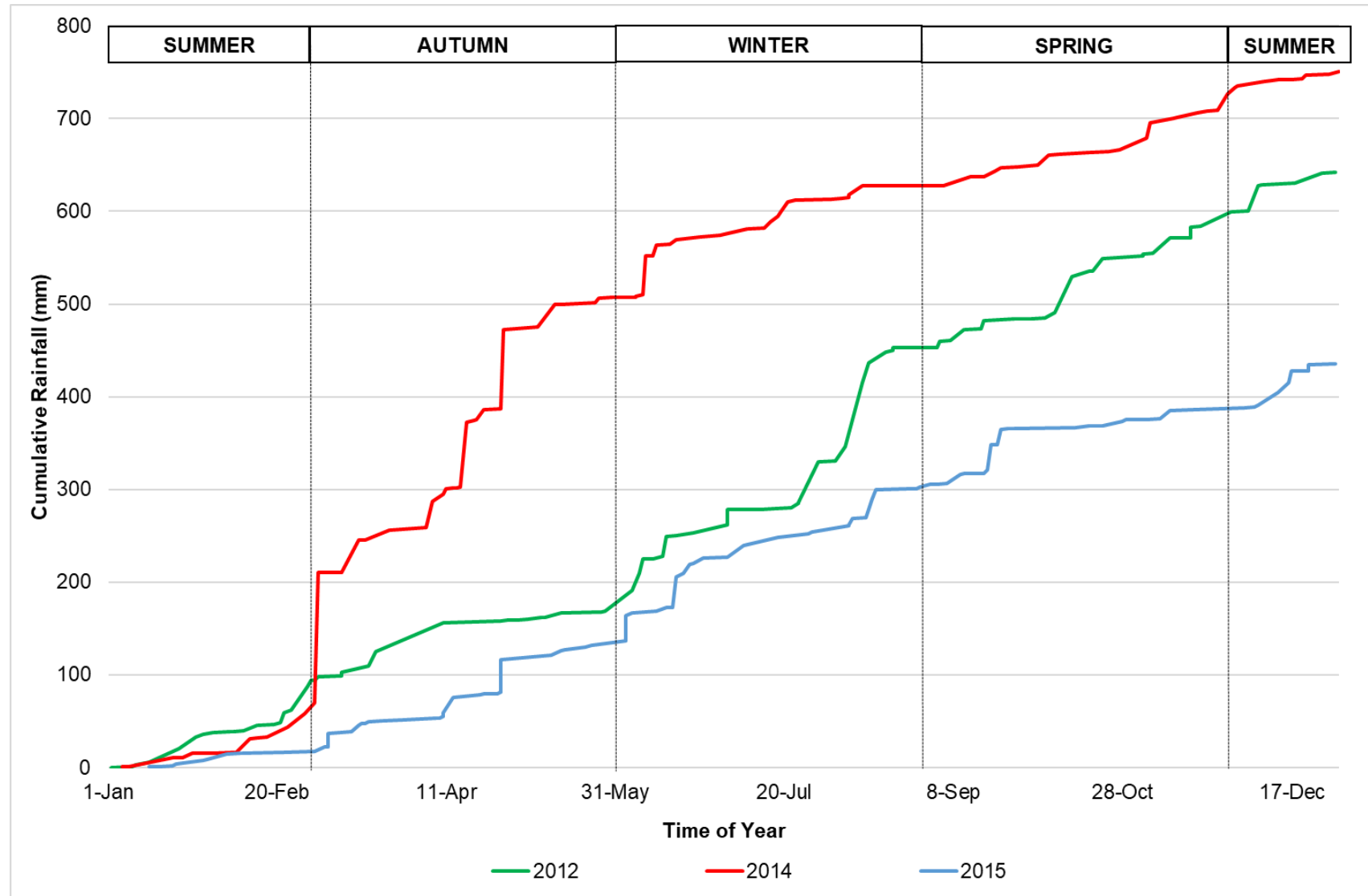
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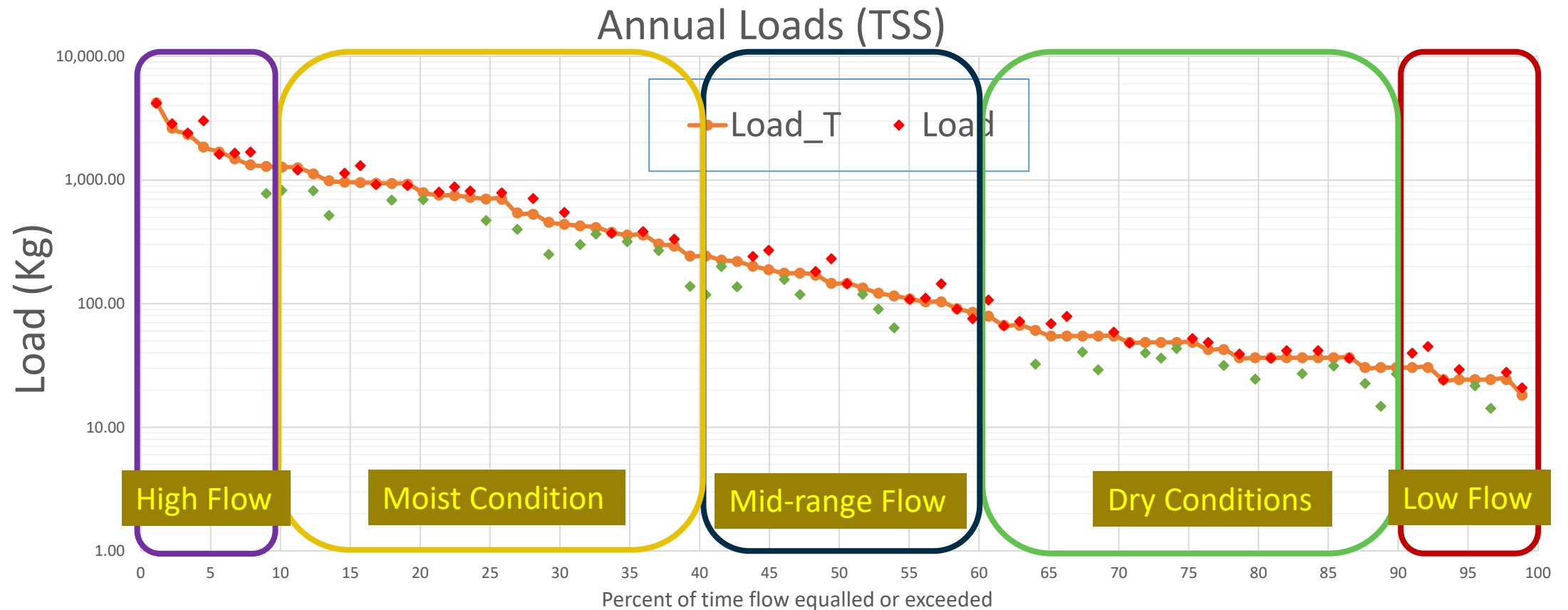
Urban Contaminant Yields for Annual Load Models

Land use	Specific elements	Contaminant yield (kg/ha/year)			
		Total suspended solids (TSS)	Total zinc	Total copper	TPH
		These values need to account for rainfall variation			
Roofs	Galvanised steel	50	22.4	0.003	0
	Zinc/aluminium	50	2.0	0.009	0
	Zinc/aluminium coated	50	0.2	0.016	0
	Concrete	160	0.2	0.033	0
Roads	< 1k vpd	210	0.044	0.015	0.335
	1k-5k vpd	280	0.26	0.089	2.013
	5k-20k vpd	530	1.1	0.37	8.387
	20k-50k vpd	960	2.57	0.86	19.474
	50k-100k vpd	1580	4.7	1.57	35.645
Paved	Residential	320	1.95	0.36	0
	Industrial	220	5.9	1.07	0
	commercial	320	-	0.03	0

Annual Rainfall Variations



Example of Load Duration Curve



Stormwater Management – Green Infrastructure



Benefits - source reduction and on-site treatment

Limitations - Difficult to retrofit established areas

What about “RE”?

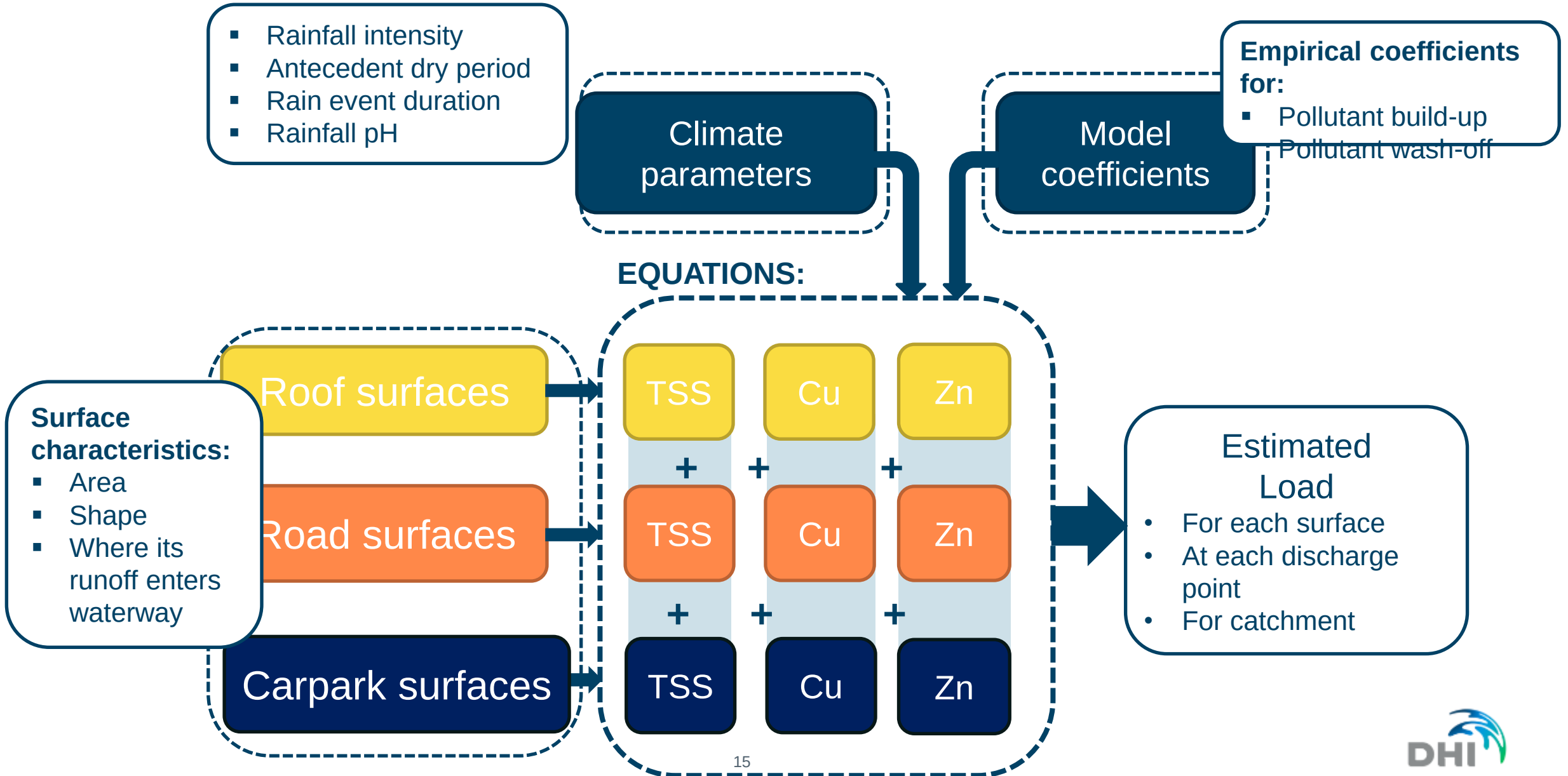
- What is the impact on **Receiving Environment**?
- Where should **Green Infrastructure** be sited to get the **maximum benefit**?
- Is mitigating **Chronic Risk** useful?
- Are **surface-aggregated annual loads** sufficient?

MEDUSA Online: Contaminant Loading On Demand

Spatial Analysis and Planning System -

1. Partnership with University of Canterbury
(MEDUSA – Load Generation)
2. MIKE Hydrology and Hydraulic Stormwater Model
3. Loads and Flow -> **Concentration**
4. **Scenario Comparison on Demand**

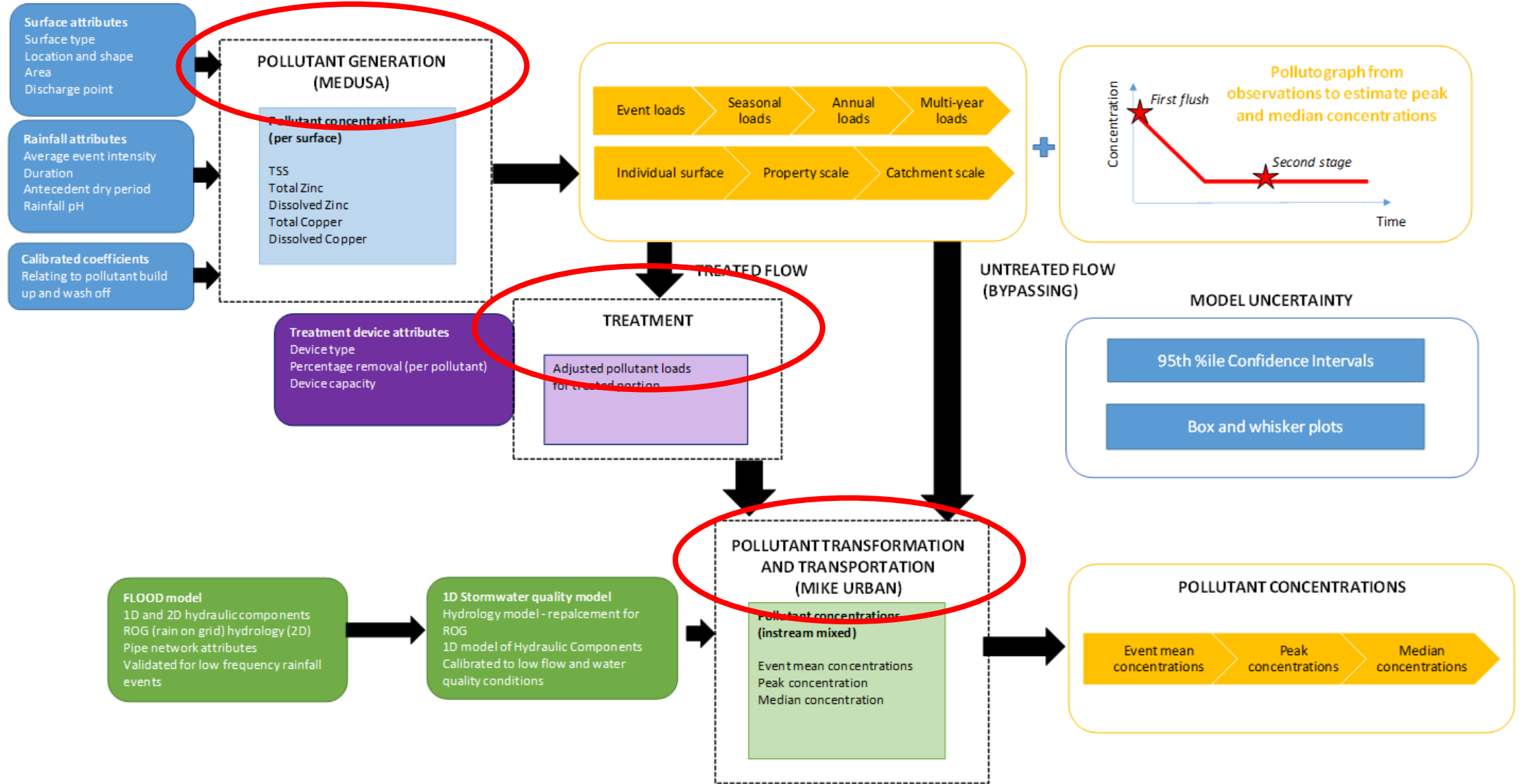
Pollutant Generation



Sampled data from urban surface types

Sampled Site Description	
Carparks	Roofs
Commercial carpark (retail zone)	Concrete roof with polyvinyl chloride guttering, approx. 60 years old
Commercial carpark (light industrial zone)	Concrete roof with galvanized guttering, installation date unknown
Industrial carpark with heavy vehicle manoeuvring	Copper roof, approx. 40 years old
Industrial carpark with heavy vehicle through access	Colorsteel® roof, <1 year old
	Colorsteel® roof, 22 years old
Roads	Painted galvanized roof, repainted in 2013
Local road	Painted galvanized roof, approx. 15 years old
Collector road	Uncoated GalvSteel® roof, <1 year old
Minor arterial road	Uncoated, poor condition galvanized roof, >40 years old
Major arterial road	

MEDUSA Online Framework



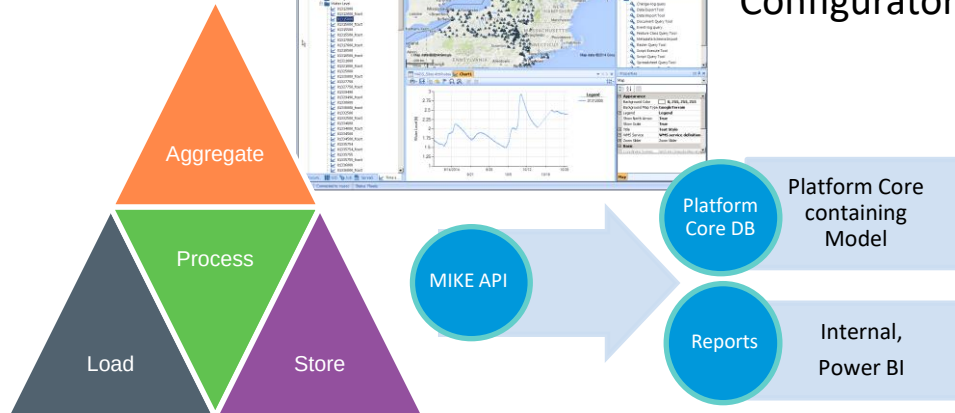
MEDUSA Online Platform



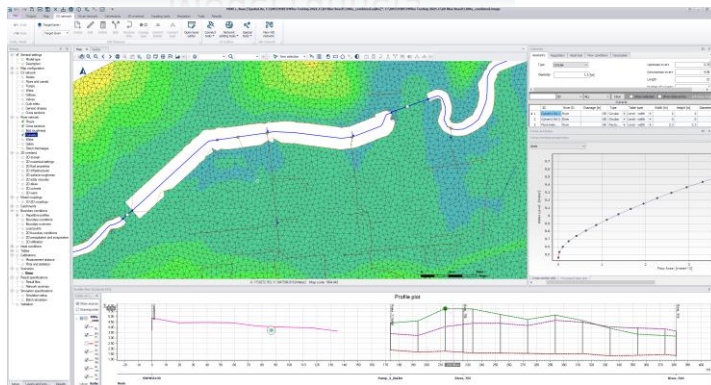
Platform Backend

Platform Frontend

Configurator UI



Model runners



Generic functional building blocks

time series, scripts, spreadsheets, GIS, job configurators, scenario managers



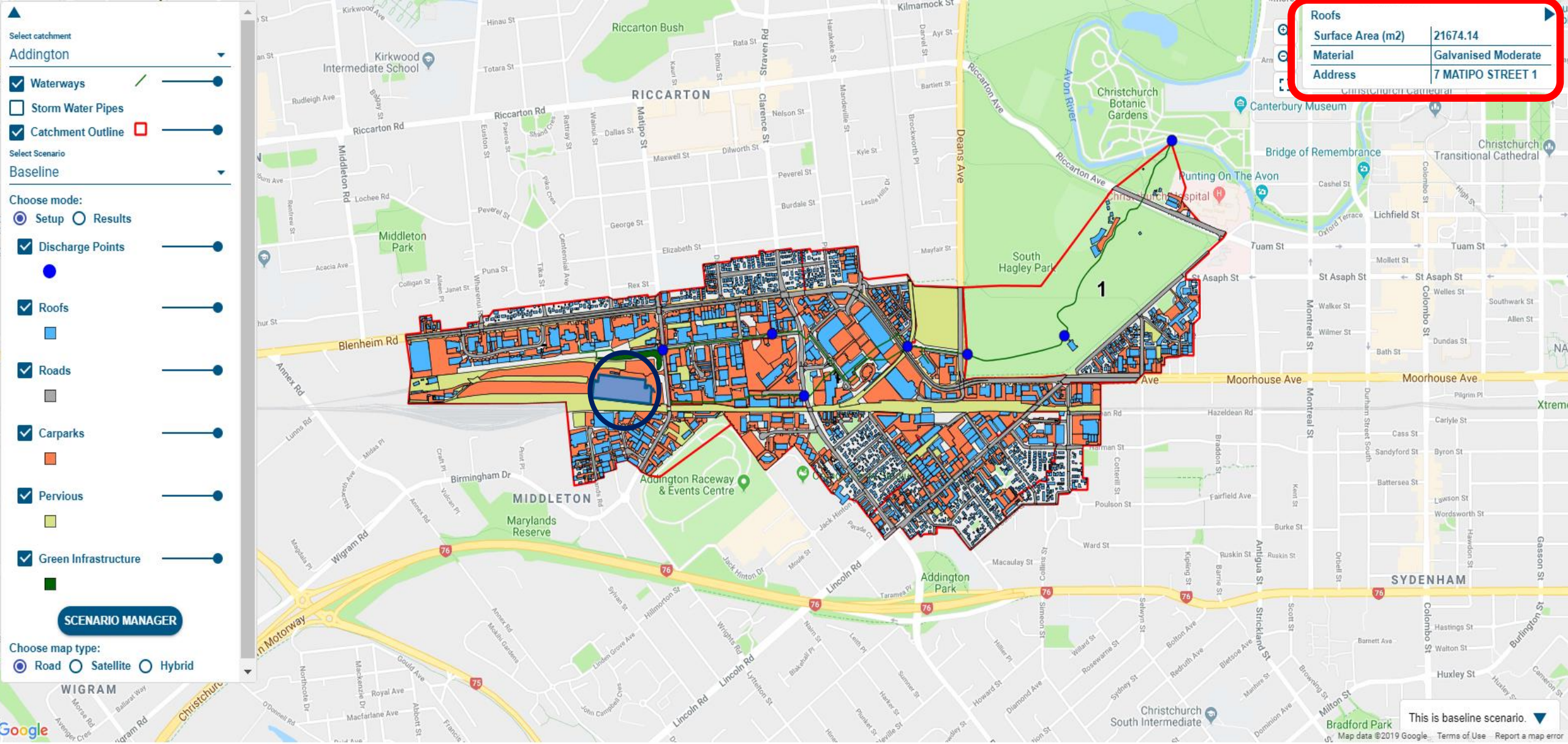
Whole city coverage with workflows for:

- Baseline simulations analysis and interrogation, spatial and temporal
- What-if scenarios including impact from:
 - Pollution at-source treatment options (across the catchment or localised)
 - Placement of active capture/treatment devices within the catchments and “end of pipe”
 - Surface types and land use changes

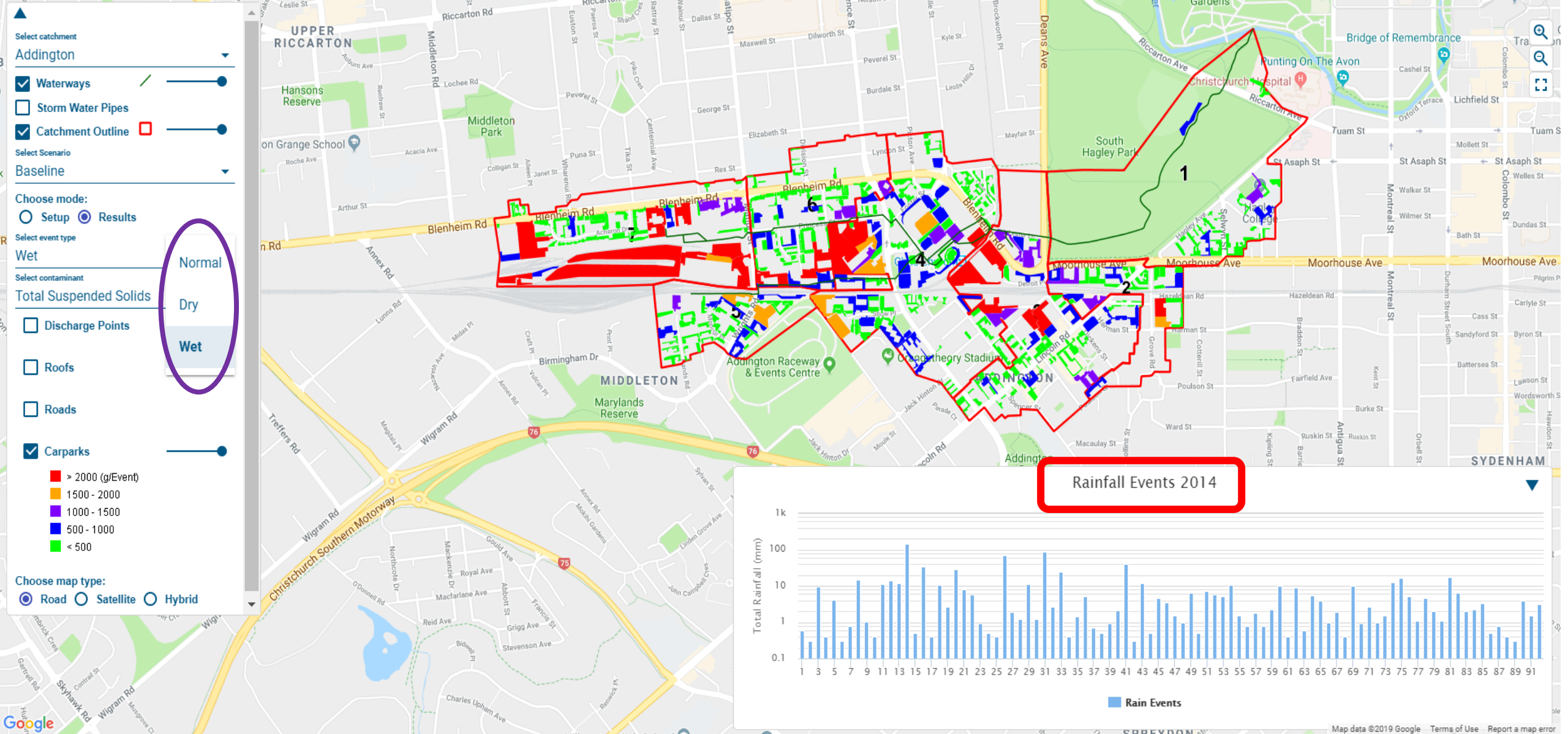
Fully automated, running scripts and/or executing the full WQ model – as appropriate.

3-Step Process for Water Quality Management

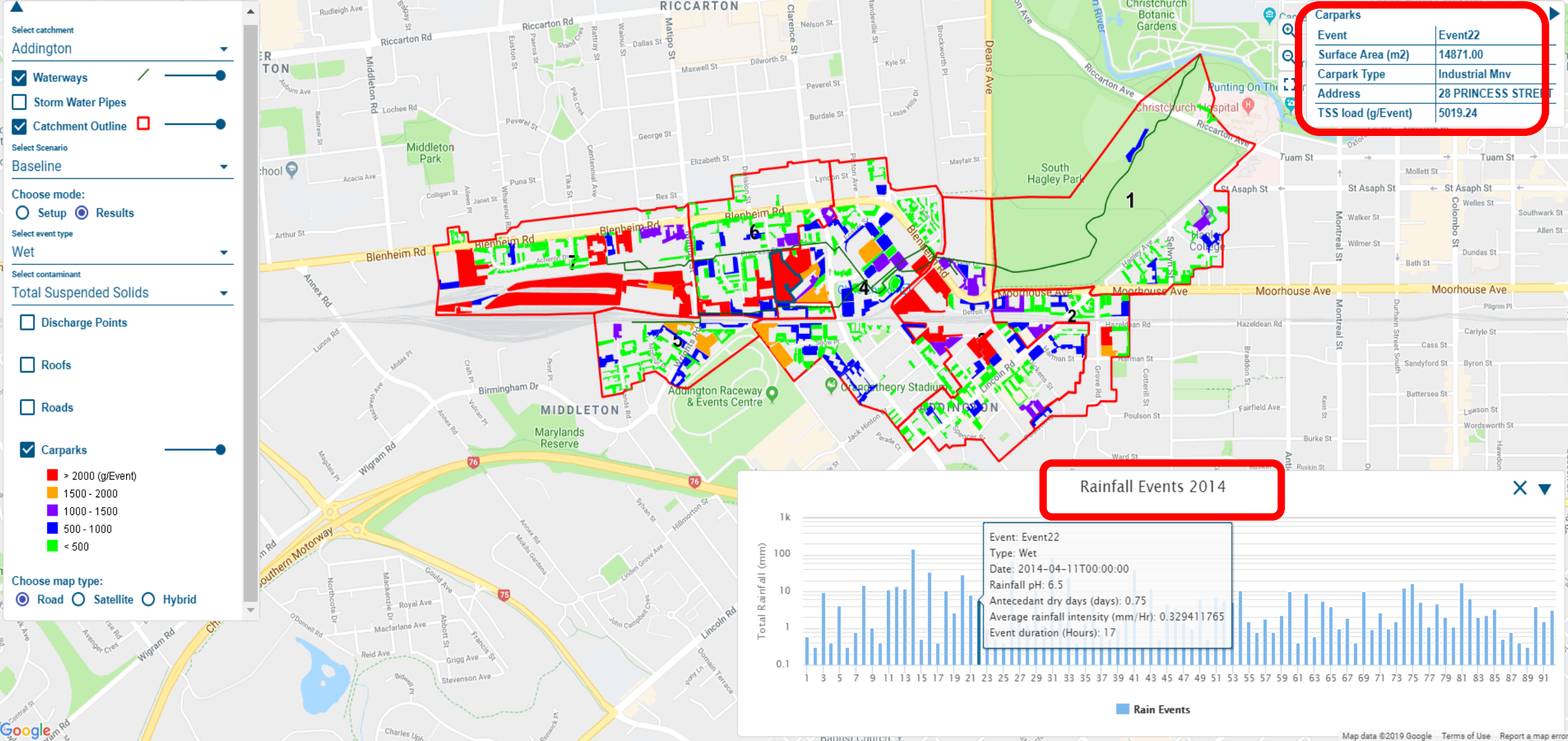
1. **“Identification”** of critical source areas for pollutant load reduction;
 - Identify **pollutant ‘hotspots’** in the urban catchment
 - Generates **surface-specific** and **event-based** loads
 - Computes **in-stream concentrations**
2. **“Prioritization”** based on contaminant influence on in-stream water quality and ecological health;
 - **Comparison of Loads and Concentrations**
 - **Catchment and Sub-catchment** level
3. **“Mitigation”** through best management practice systems.
 - Develop **targeted treatment options** to **mitigate impacts**
 - Characterise the **processes** in the **receiving environment**



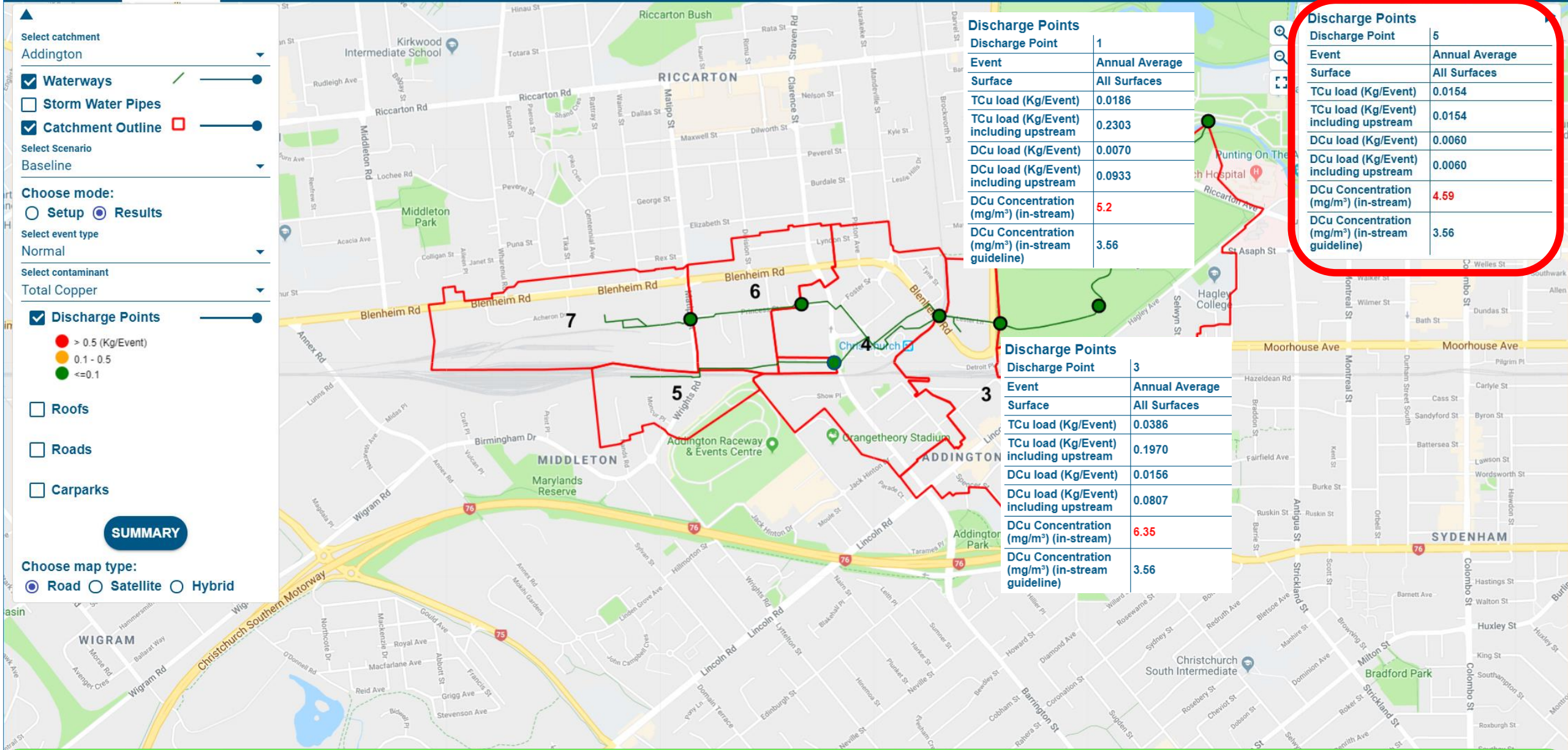
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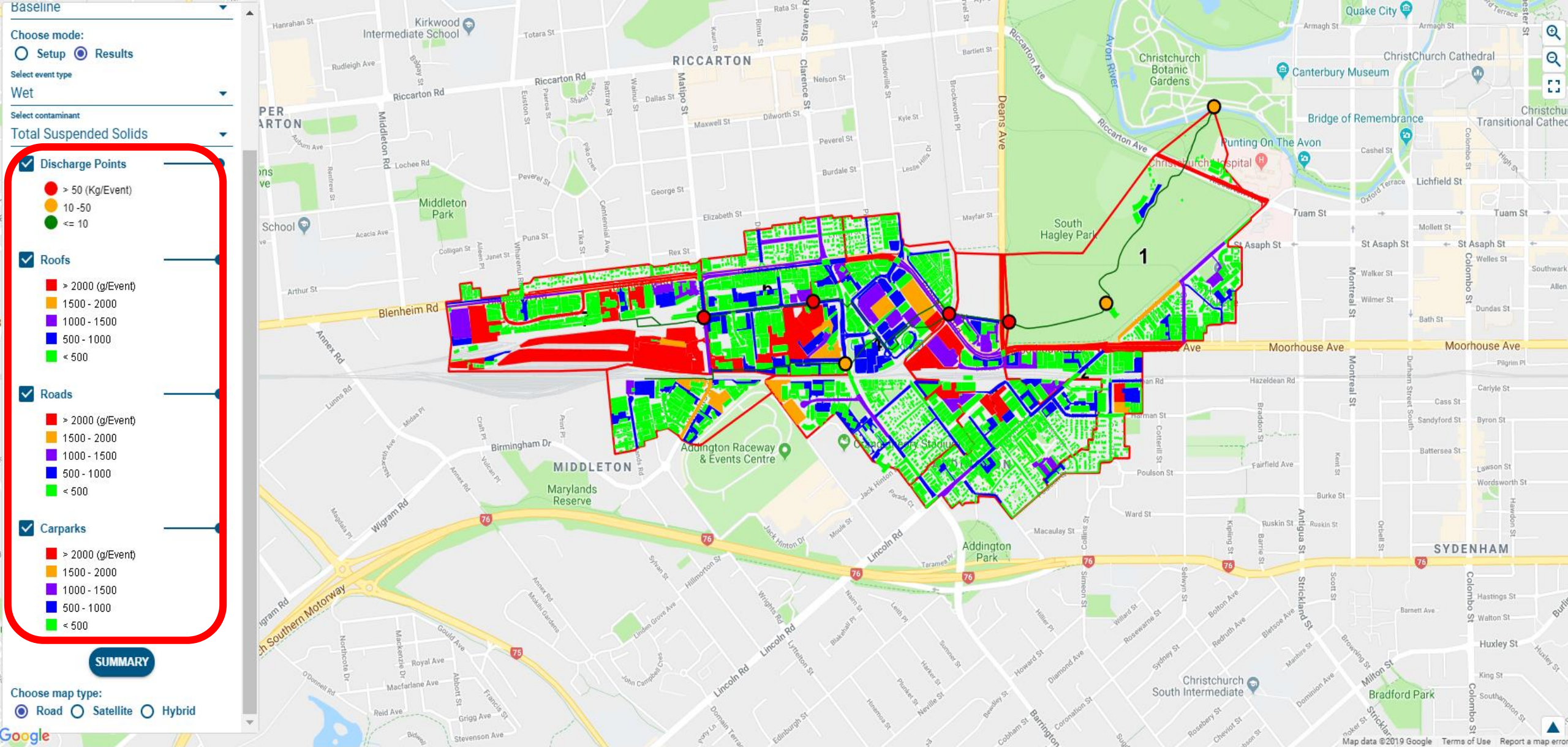
Load Results for different rainfall patterns



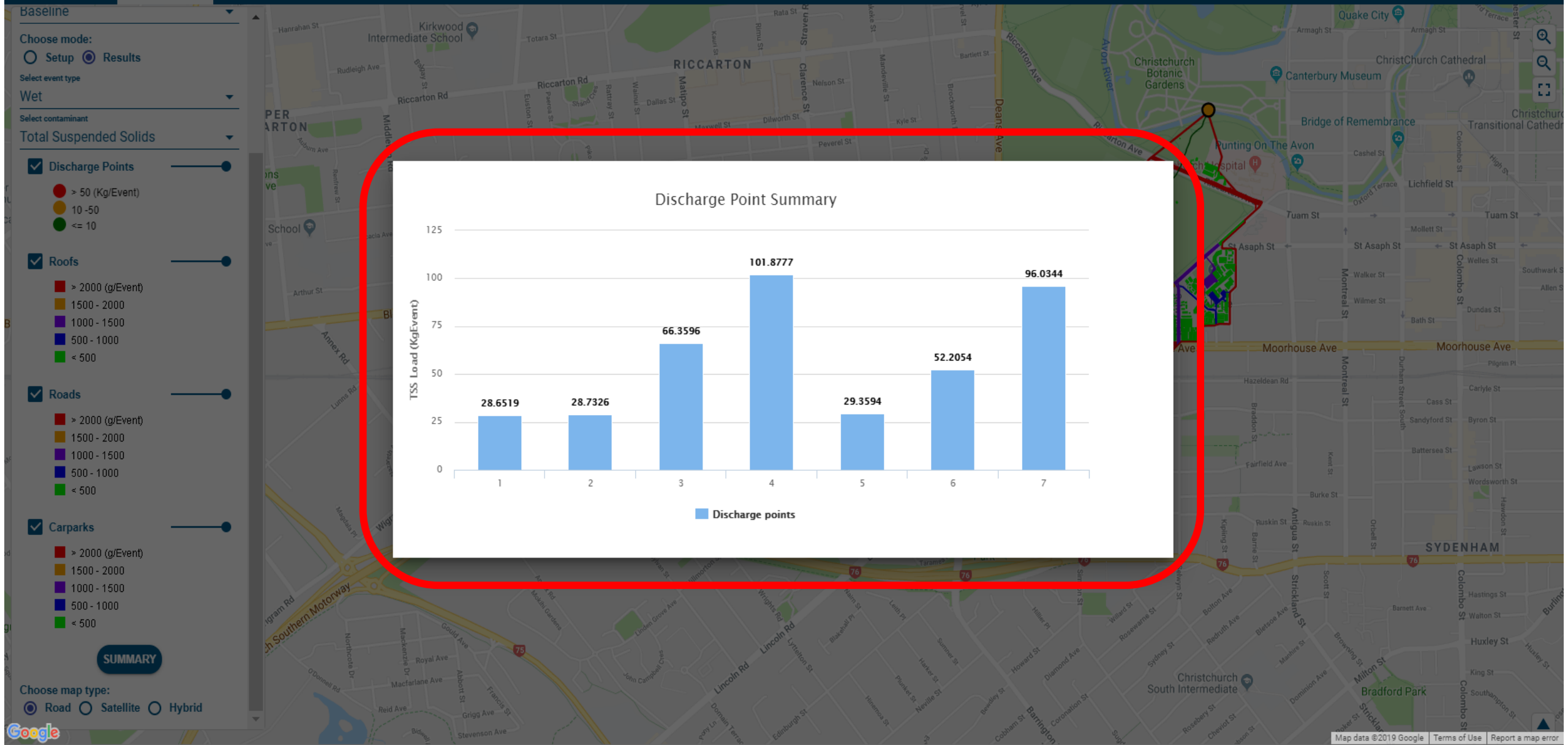
Surface Load Results – TSS (Event Specific)



Loads and Concentration



Catchment-level Load Distribution Pattern



Sub-catchment level Load Distribution

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☐ Waterways

☐ Storm Water Pipes

☐ Catchment Outline

Select Scenario

Baseline ▼

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☐ Discharge Points

☐ Roofs

☐ Roads

☐ Carparks

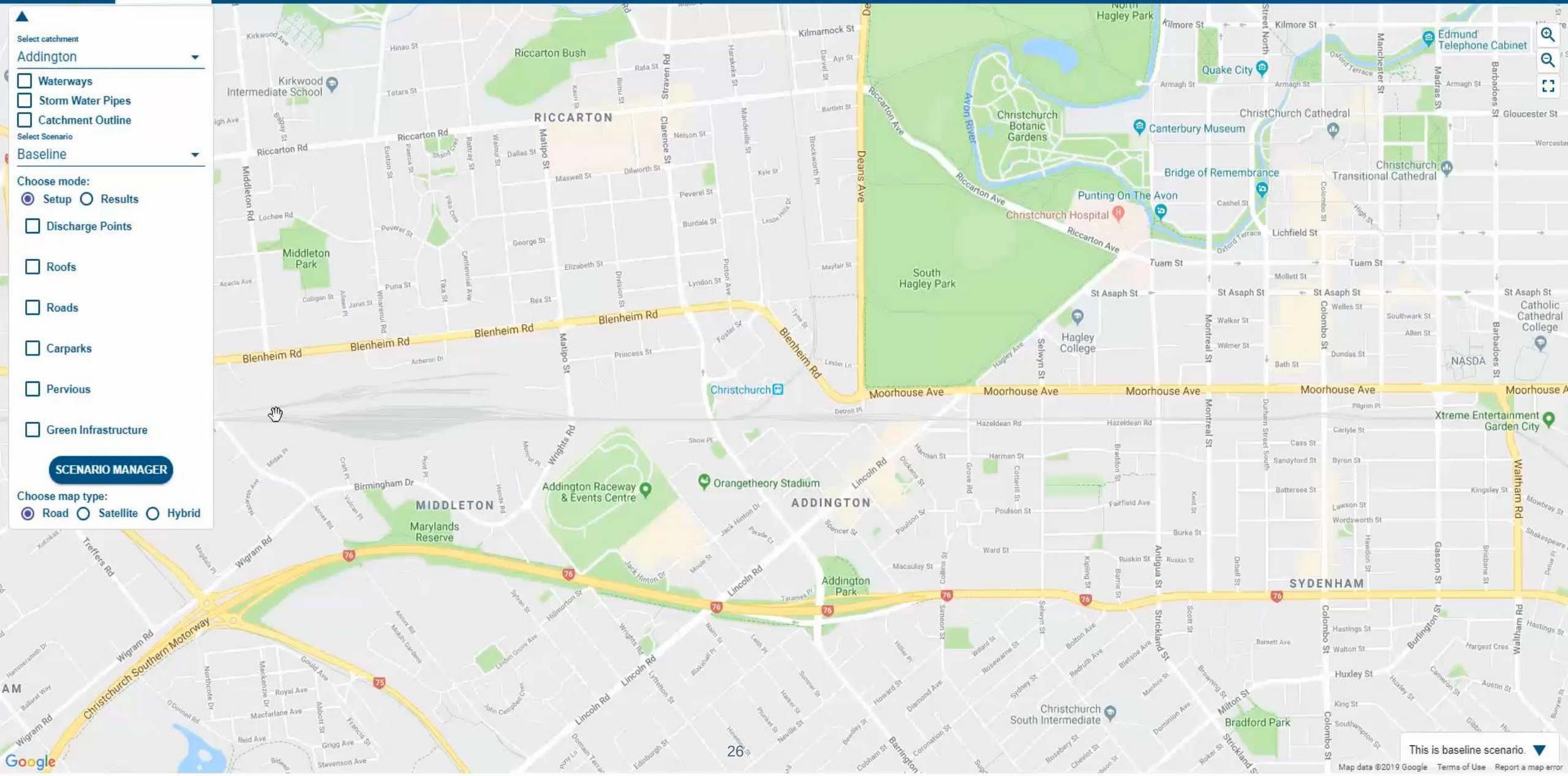
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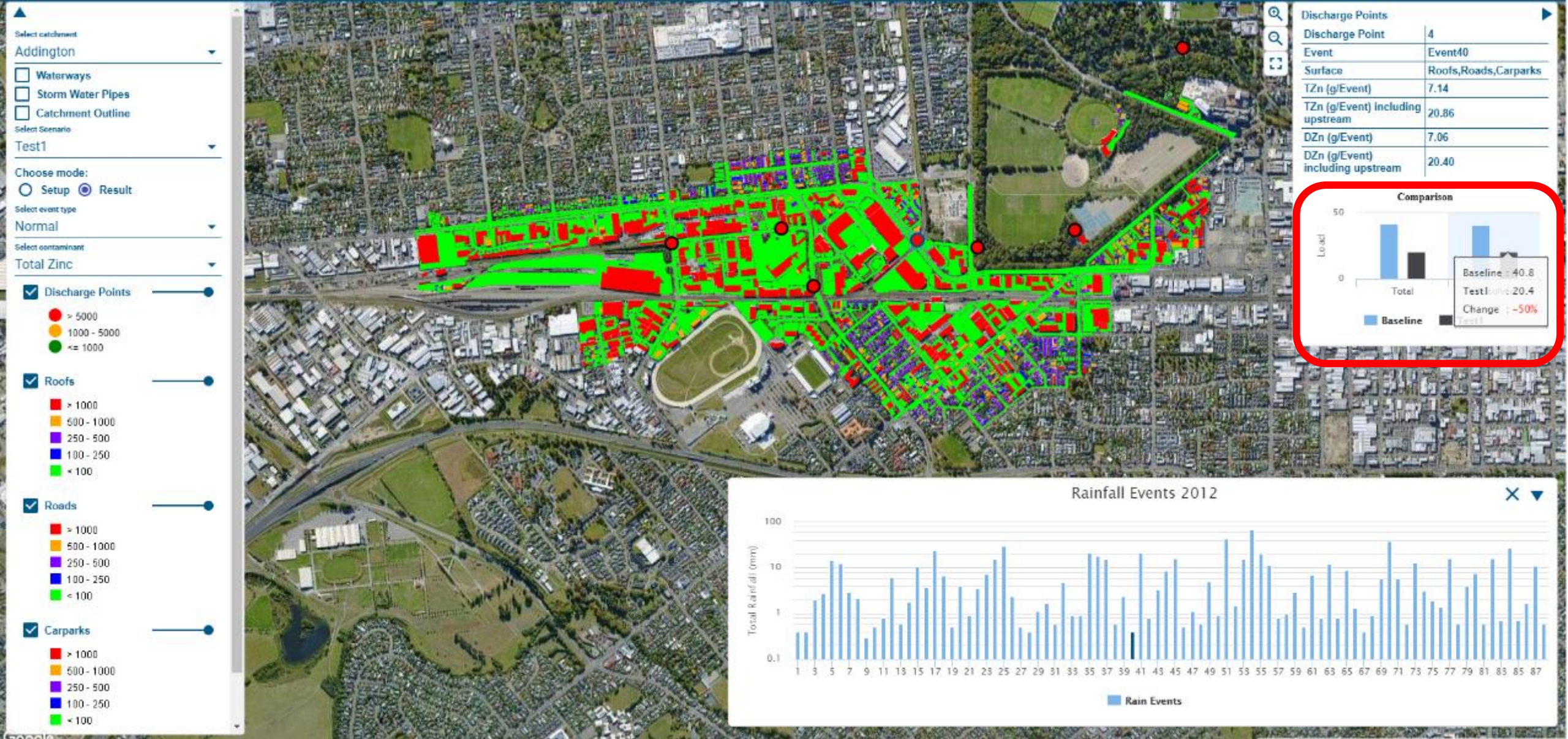
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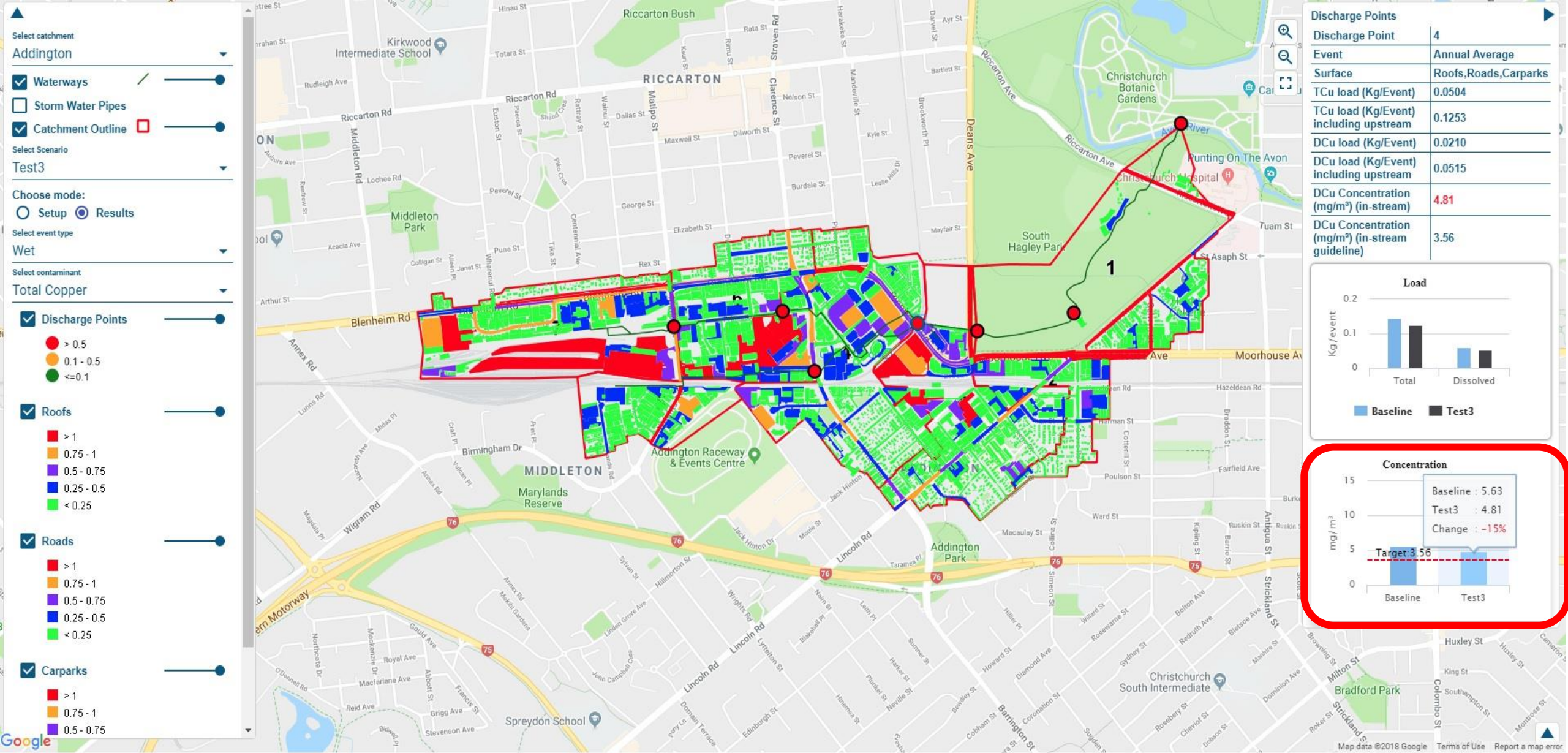
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Comparing Loads (Scenario vs. Baseline)



Comparing in-stream Concentration

How can the system assist you?

- Applicable to any urban catchment with information on **surface types** and **rainfall characteristics**
- Determines **event-based** pollutant **loads**
- **Peak loadings** quantified for every surface, event, and discharge point
- **Integrates local climatic conditions** into the contaminant load calculations.
- Combines **pollutant at-source model** with **flow routing models (MIKE+)**.
- Informs the **loading criteria** to be used in the design of stormwater management infrastructure for sustainable receiving waters.

Too much water



Not enough water



Water Pollution



Ecological Integrity



Thank you



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