



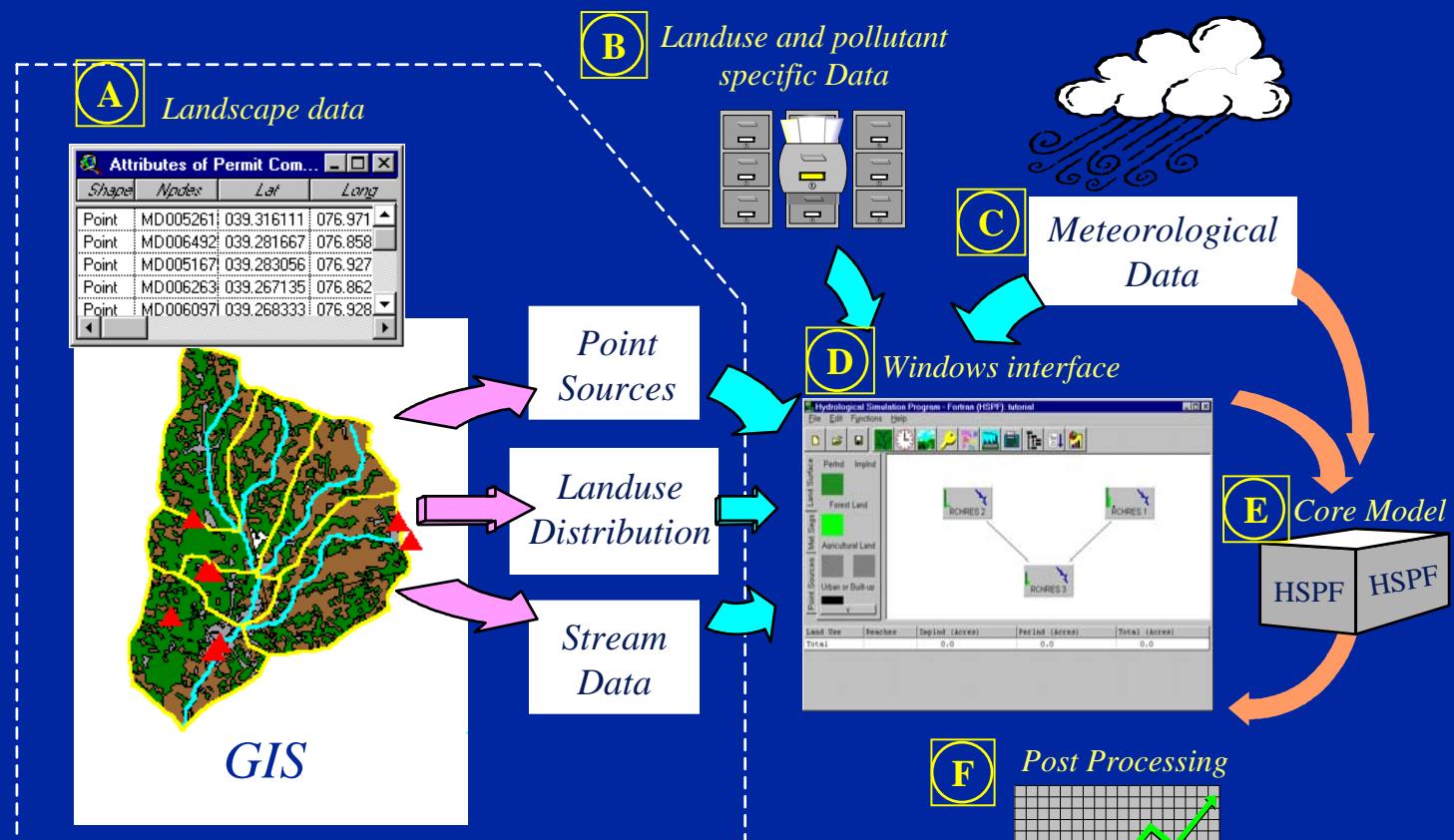
# LECTURE #7

## OPERATIONAL ASPECTS OF HSPF AND SUPPORTING SOFTWARE





# HOW HSPF FITS INTO BASINS





# HSPF SUPPORTING PROGRAMS

## WinHSPF

- Interactive interface to HSPF
- Access to all HSPF Features
- Scenario development

## WDMUtil

- Build/maintain WDM time series file and meteorologic data for BASINS
- Meteorologic data generation and fill-in
- Graphical and tabular display of time series data

## GenScn

- output postprocessor

## HSPEXP

- Hydrologic calibration support



# FILES UTILIZED BY HSPF

## UCI (User's Control Input)

- contains all input except time series data

## Run Interpreter Output (MES, ECH)

- output summary of user's input

## Operation Module Output

- state variables and fluxes at user-selected intervals

## WDM or DSS

- Time series data input and output (binary format)

## PLTGEN/MUTSIN/SEQ

- Time series data input and output (text format)

## HSPF Binary Output

- Operation output in binary format



## HSPF OPERATION

- Run Interpreter processes input, “echoing” it back to the user as it goes. The amount of output to the “echo file” is controlled by a flag in the input.
- Warning and error messages that occur during both the interpretation and execution phases appear in the “echo file”.
- If the Run Interpreter detects errors in the input, HSPF will attempt to complete as much of the interpretation as possible and then stop without executing the run. Warnings do not stop execution.
- If too many errors occur during the run, HSPF will halt execution and place a message in the “echo file”.



# UCI CONCEPTS

The **User's Control Input** (UCI) file is a text (ASCII) file containing all program input except for timeseries data. Before the run begins, it is processed by the Run Interpreter.

- Formatted **column-dependent** input.
- Entire file delimited by keywords RUN and END RUN.
- Divided into **blocks** which are delimited by keywords. Each block controls a different aspect of the run.
- Many blocks are divided into **tables** of parameters. These tables are also delimited by keywords.
- Any line containing 3 consecutive stars ("\*\*\*") in the first 80 characters is treated as a comment by the Run Interpreter.
- A blank numeric field is assigned its default value (if any).



# UCI BLOCKS

Run Specification Blocks:

GLOBAL  
FILES  
OPN SEQUENCE

Operation Module Blocks:

PERLND  
IMPLND  
RCHRES  
COPY  
etc.

Time Series Linkage Blocks:

EXT SOURCES  
NETWORK  
SCHEMATIC  
MASS-LINK  
EXT TARGETS

Other:

FTABLES  
SPEC-ACTIONS  
CATEGORY  
MONTH-DATA  
PATHNAMES



# GLOBAL BLOCK

- Title of the run
- Starting and ending dates of the run
- Run Interpreter and Special Action Output Levels (0-10; normally 0-4)
- Run Flag (0-1)
- Units system flag: 1=English, 2=Metric

## Example

```
GLOBAL
  LOST CREEK CALIBRATION RUN #2
  START      1986  1  1  0  0   END      1990 12 31 24  0
  RUN INTERP OUTPUT LEVEL      4      3
  RESUME      0 RUN          1
                           UNIT SYSTEM    1
END GLOBAL
```



## FILES BLOCK

- Specifies external file names and corresponding unit numbers
- Some file types have special keywords
- Other files are referenced by unit number throughout UCI

### Example

```
FILES
<type> <fun>***<-----file name-----
MESSU      21    lost_ck.ech
WDM        22    ..\wdm\lost_ck.wdm
WDM2       23    ..\wdm\calib.wdm
DSS        31    ..\dss\lost_ck.dss
                  61    lost_ck.pls
                  62    lost_ck.ils
                  63    lost_ck.rch
END FILES
```



## OPN SEQUENCE BLOCK

- Sets time step of the run INDELT in hours & minutes (1 min-1 day)
- Declares the operations to be performed, in downstream order (limited to 200 operations in Version 11)
- If an operation is "commented out", all other input for that operation is ignored

### Example

```
OPN SEQUENCE
    INGRP                      INDELT  1:00
    ***   PERLND      4
          PERLND      5
          IMPLND      1
          RCHRES     30
    END INGRP
END OPN SEQUENCE
```



# OPERATION-TYPE BLOCKS

- Application modules (PERLND, IMPLND, RCHRES)
- Utility modules (PLTGEN, DISPLAY, GENER, etc.)
- These blocks are subdivided into tables

PERLND

ACTIVITY

...

END ACTIVITY

PRINT-INFO

...

END PRINT-INFO

GEN-INFO

...

END GEN-INFO

... additional tables containing options, parameters, and initial conditions

END PERLND



# APPLICATION MODULE INPUT TABLES I (ACTIVITY, PRINT-INFO)

**ACTIVITY TABLE - flags that turn module sections on or off (0,1)**

```
ACTIVITY
<PLS >          Active Sections           ***
# - # ATMP SNOW PWAT SED PST PWG PQAL MSTL PEST NITR PHOS TRAC ***
4   5   0     0    1   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
END ACTIVITY
```

**PRINT-INFO TABLE - flags that govern printout of module sections (2 = every PIVL intervals, 3 = daily, 4 = monthly, 5 = yearly, 6 = never)**

```
PRINT-INFO
<PLS > ***** Print-flags ***** PIVL PYR
# - # ATMP SNOW PWAT SED PST PWG PQAL MSTL PEST NITR PHOS TRAC ***
4   5   0     0    5   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0   0
END PRINT-INFO
```



# APPLICATION MODULE INPUT TABLES II (GEN-INFO, OTHER)

## GEN-INFO TABLE - name of operation, units flags, and output files

```
GEN-INFO
<PLS >          Name           Unit-systems   Printer ***
# - #
#               time series Engl Metr ***
#               in    out      ***
4     LOW DENSITY RESID.       1      1    91    0
5     FOREST                   1      1    91    0
END GEN-INFO
```

{ parameter tables for a module section }

{ initial condition table for a module section }



# APPLICATION MODULE INPUT TABLES III (PARAMETER TABLE, INITIAL CONDITION TABLE)

## PARAMETER TABLE - constant-valued parameters

```
PWAT-PARM4
<PLS >      CEPSC      UZSN      NSUR      INTFW      IRC      LZETP  ***
# - #        (in)       (in)          1.0       0.35       3.0      (1/day)    0.7      0.65
4           5           0.12       0.5        0.25       2.0
END PWAT-PARM4
```

## INITIAL CONDITION TABLE - initialize state variables such as storages, concentrations, and temperatures

```
SSED-INIT
RCHRES      Suspended sediment concentrations (mg/l)  ***
# - #        Sand        Silt        Clay          ***
1   5         5.0        20.0       30.0
END SSED-INIT
```



# APPLICATION MODULE INPUT TABLES IV (OPTION/FLAG, MONTHLY TABLES)

## OPTION/FLAG TABLE - select methods for module section

PWAT-PARM1

```
<PLS >                                Flags          ***
# - # CSNO RTOP UZFG   VCS   VUZ    VNN   VIFW  VIRG   VLE   ***
4      0     1     1     1     0     0     0     0     0     0
5      0     1     1     0     0     0     0     0     0     1
END PWAT-PARM1
```

## MONTHLY TABLE - monthly variable parameters

- Values given are for the first day of each month
- Daily values are interpolated between successive monthly values

MON-LZETPARM

```
<PLS > Lower zone evapotranspiration parm at start of each month ***
# - # JAN   FEB   MAR   APR   MAY   JUN   JUL   AUG   SEP   OCT   NOV   DEC ***
5      0.3   0.3   0.3   0.4   0.7   0.7   0.7   0.7   0.7   0.6   0.5   0.4   0.3
END MON-LZETPARM
```



## FTABLES BLOCK

- Specify volume-discharge relationship for RCHRES operations

```
FTABLES
  FTABLE      30
  ROWS  COLS  ***
    8      4
      DEPTH      AREA      VOLUME      DISCH      ***
      (FT)      (ACRES)   (AC-FT)     (CFS)      ***
        0.0       0.0       0.0       0.0
        0.220     0.765     0.09      0.09
        0.878     3.05      1.44      3.67
        1.537     4.23      4.15      17.0
        1.976     4.49      6.27      32.0
        2.196     4.60      7.37      40.8
        4.907     28.1      93.4      747.
        8.315     54.5      238.      1860.

  END FTABLE 30
END FTABLES
```



# SPEC-ACTIONS BLOCK

- “special actions”
- Modify program variables at specified date/time (intervention)
- Examples: chemical applications, tillage practices, reservoir operations, etc.

```
SPEC-ACTIONS
*** User-Defined Variable Quantity Lines
*** kwd varnam optyp opn vari s1 s2 s3 tp multiply lc ls ac as agfn ***
<*****> <----> <----> <-> <----><-><-><-><-----> <><-> <><-> <-> ***
UVQUAN prec PERLND 1 PREC 3 DY 1 SUM
DISTRB 4 8 DY 1 SHIFT .20 .20 .20 .20 .20 0 0 0
*** Nitrogen Fertilizer Application - 50% Surface and 50% Upper Layer ***
UVNAME NO355 2 SNO3 0.5 QUAN UNO3 0.5 QUAN
UVNAME NH455 2 SAMAD 0.5 QUAN UAMAD 0.5 QUAN
*** Action Lines ***
<*****><f><-l>dcdts<yr><m><d><h><n>dstp <vari><1><2><3><a><-value--> tc ts
IF (prec < 0.05) THEN
  PERLND 1 DY 11976 2 15 3 NH455 2 10.50
  PERLND 1 DY 11976 6 15 4 3 NO355 2 12.21
  PERLND 1 DY 11976 4 13 3 DETS 1 3.0
END IF
END SPEC-ACTIONS
```



# **TIMESERIES LINKAGE BLOCK OVERVIEW (EXT SOURCES, EXT TARGETS, NETWORK, MASS-LINK, SCHEMATIC)**

## **Used to specify:**

- how data are input and output to WDM and other databases
- physical connections of land segments and reaches
- transfer of data to and from utility modules

## **Each connection includes:**

- a source } such as a WDM dataset or an operation input or
- a target } output timeseries
- any transformation in units or change in time step

## **Block Names and Functions:**

EXT SOURCES	Database to Operation
EXT TARGETS	Operation to Database
NETWORK	
SCHEMATIC	Operation to Operation
MASS-LINK	



## TIME SERIES LINKAGES

- All HSPF operations involve input and output time series
- A watershed is defined by linking PERLND, IMPLND, & RCHRES operations with time series connections
- User is responsible for ensuring operations receive required “input” time series
- User can print/display/output any “output” time series
- Three types of time series connections
  1. from external files to operations (EXT SOURCES block)
  2. between operations (NETWORK block and/or SCHEMATIC and MASS-LINK blocks)
  3. from operations to external files (EXT TARGETS block)
- A list of input and output time series for each operation is provided in the Time Series Catalog (User's Manual)



# TIME SERIES BLOCKS GENERAL FORMAT

<SOURCE> <M-FACTOR> <TRANSFORMATION> <TARGET>

Source or target

## Operation time series

- operation name
- group name
- member name & subscripts

## External time series

- file type (WDM, DSS, SEQ)
- id #
- name

M-factor

**Multiplication factor for units or time conversion; default = 1.0**

Transformation

**Function based on time step and "kind" relationship between source and target**

- AVER, SAME, SUM, DIV, INTP, LAST, MAX, MIN



# EXAMPLE EXT SOURCES AND EXT TARGETS BLOCKS

## EXT SOURCES BLOCK

- specify transfers from external files to operations

```
EXT SOURCES
<-Volume-> <Member> SsysSgap<-Mult-->Tran <-Target vols> <-Grp> <-Member->***
<Name> # <Name> # tem strg<-factor->strg <Name> # # <Name> # # ***
*** Meteorological input data
WDM    106 HPCP                      PERLND   4   5 EXTNL  PREC
WDM    111 EVAP          0.8        PERLND   4   5 EXTNL  PETINP
WDM    106 HPCP                      IMPLND   1      EXTNL  PREC
WDM    111 EVAP          0.8        IMPLND   1      EXTNL  PETINP
END EXT SOURCES
```

## EXT TARGETS BLOCK

- specify transfers from operations to external files

```
EXT TARGETS
<-Volume-> <-Grp> <-Member-><-Mult-->Tran <-Volume-> <Member> Tsys Aggr Amd ***
<Name> # <Name> # #<-factor->strg <Name> # <Name>qf tem strg strg ***
*** Output Results to Wdm and DSS files
PERLND  5 PWATER PERO           SUM   WDM     29 FLOW     ENGL AGGR REPL
RCHRES  30 HYDR   RO           AVER   DSS     881        ENGL       REPL
END EXT TARGETS
```



# EXAMPLE SCHEMATIC AND MASS-LINK BLOCKS

Specify transfers between operations (watershed linkages):  
Area terms, unit conversions, sand-silt-clay fractions

## SCHEMATIC

<-Source->		<-Area-->	<-Target->		<ML>	***
<Name>	#	<-factor->	<Name>	#	#	***
PERLND	4	849.	RCHRES	30	1	
PERLND	5	2611.	RCHRES	30	1	
PERLND	4	234.	RCHRES	31	1	
PERLND	5	1818.	RCHRES	31	1	

END SCHEMATIC

## MASS-LINK

MASS-LINK		1				
<Srce>	<-Grp>	<-Member-><-Mult-->	<Targ>	<-Grp>	<-Member->	***
<Name>	<Name>	<Name> # #<-factor->	<Name>	<Name>	<Name>	## ***
PERLND	PWATER	PERO 0.08333	RCHRES	INFLOW	IVOL	
PERLND	SEDMNT	SOSED 1 0.05	RCHRES	INFLOW	ISED	1
PERLND	SEDMNT	SOSED 1 0.55	RCHRES	INFLOW	ISED	2
PERLND	SEDMNT	SOSED 1 0.4	RCHRES	INFLOW	ISED	3

END MASS-LINK 1

END MASS-LINK



## EXAMPLE SCHEMATIC AND MASS-LINK BLOCKS - 2

Specify transfers between operations (watershed linkages):  
Area terms, unit conversions, labile and refractory organics

### SCHEMATIC

<-Source->		<-Area-->	<-Target->		<ML>	***
<Name>	#	<-factor->	<Name>	#	#	***
PERLND	4	849.	RCHRES	30	1	
PERLND	5	2611.	RCHRES	30	1	
PERLND	4	234.	RCHRES	31	1	
PERLND	5	1818.	RCHRES	31	1	

END SCHEMATIC

### MASS-LINK

MASS-LINK		1				
<Srce>	<-Grp>	<-Member-><-Mult-->	<Targ>	<-Grp>	<-Member->	***
<Name>	<Name>	<Name> # #<-factor->	<Name>	<Name>	<Name>	# # ***
PERLND	PWATER	PERO 0.08333	RCHRES	INFLOW	IVOL	
PERLND	PQUAL	POQUAL 4 0.4	RCHRES	INFLOW	OXIF	2
PERLND	PQUAL	POQUAL 4 0.048	RCHRES	INFLOW	PKIF	3
PERLND	PQUAL	POQUAL 4 0.0023	RCHRES	INFLOW	PKIF	4

END MASS-LINK 1

END MASS-LINK



# USERS MANUAL OVERVIEW

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# USERS MANUAL: FORMAT FOR THE USERS CONTROL INPUT

The screenshot shows a Windows-style application window titled "HSPF Manual". The menu bar includes "Hide", "Back", "Print", and "Options". Below the menu is a toolbar with icons for Hide, Back, Print, and Options. The main area contains three tabs: "Contents" (selected), "Index", and "Search". The "Contents" tab displays a hierarchical table of contents under the "Users Control Input" section:

- Users Control Input
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    - Time Series Catalog



# EXAMPLE TIME SERIES CATALOG

**HSPF Manual**

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## Group SEDMNT

<---- Member ---->		K	Units	Description/comment
Name	values	i	(external)	
	1 2	d	Engl Metr	
Time series computed by module section SEDMNT:				
Land-segment-wide values:				
DETS	1 1	*	tons/ac	tonnes/ha Storage of detached sediment
STCAP	1 1	*	tons/ ac.ivld	tonnes/ ha.ivld Sediment transport capacity by surface runoff
COVER	1 1	*	none	none Cover fraction
WSSD	1 1	-	tons/ ac.ivld	tonnes/ ha.ivld Washoff of detached sediment
SCRSD	1 1	-	tons/ ac.ivld	tonnes/ ha.ivld Scour of matrix (attached) soil
SOSED	1 1	-	tons/ ac.ivld	tonnes/ ha.ivld Total removal of soil and sediment
DET	1 1	-	tons/ ac.ivld	tonnes/ ha.ivld Quantity of sediment detached from soil matrix by rainfall impact
NVSI	1 1	-	tons/	tonnes/ Net vertical sediment input
Input time series required to compute the above:				
Group EXTNL			always required	
PREC				
SLSED			optional	
Group SNOW			only required if section SNOW is inactive and snow is considered (CSNOFG= 1)	
RAINF				
SNOCOV				
Group PWATER			only required if section PWATER is inactive	
SURO				
SURS				



# WINHSPF: FROM CARD-ORIENTED TO OBJECT-ORIENTED

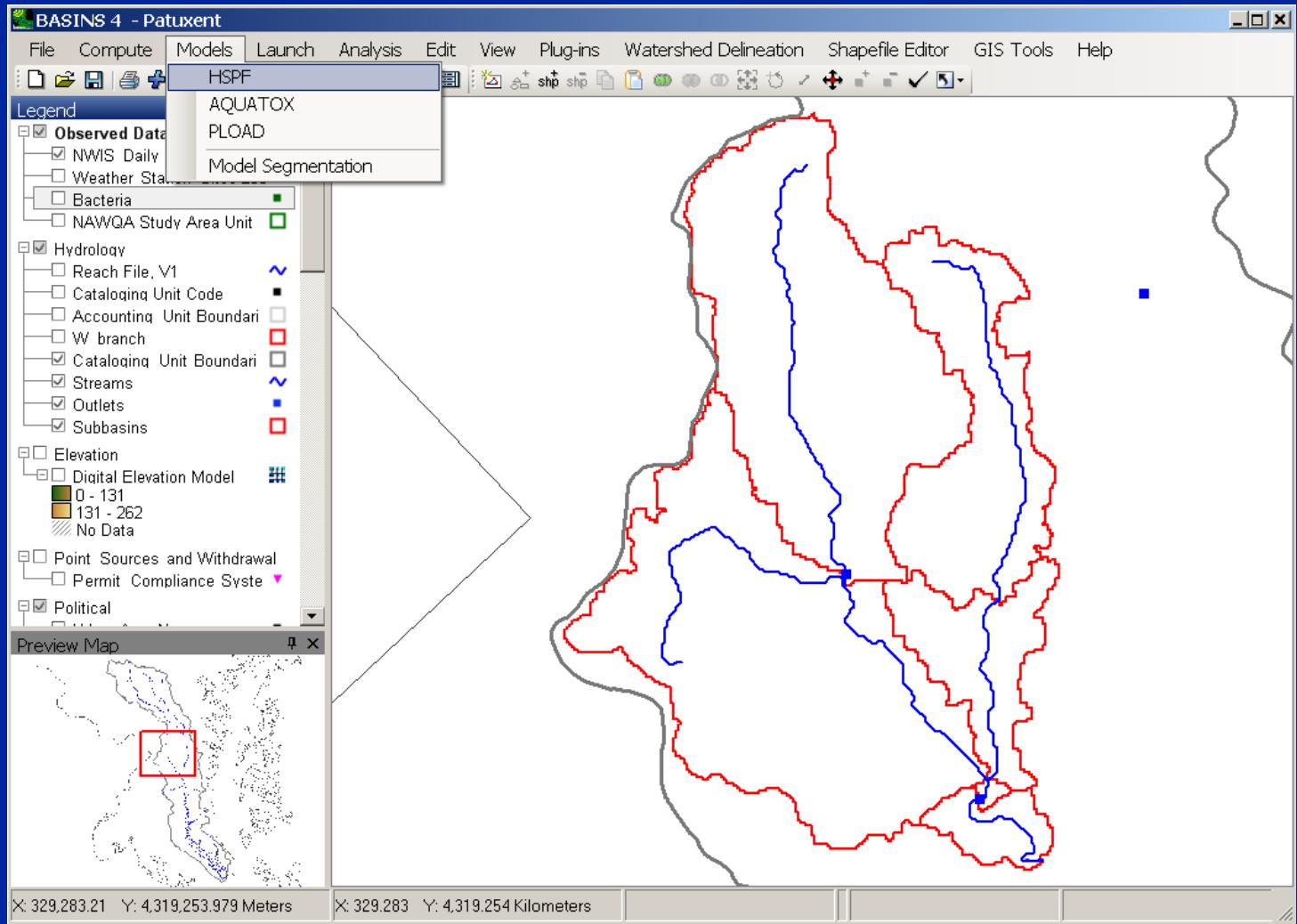
- UCI File converted to UCI Object for user interaction
- UCI Object converted to card images for saving and running simulations

The figure displays two screenshots side-by-side. On the left is a screenshot of a Windows WordPad window titled "tutorial.uci - WordPad". It contains a UCI (Urban Hydrology for Surface Runoff and Pollution) configuration file. The file includes sections for RUN, GLOBAL, FILES, and OPN SEQUENCE, detailing parameters like start date, end date, and various file paths. On the right is a screenshot of the "Hydrological Simulation Program - Fortran (HSPF): tutorial" software interface. This is an object-oriented graphical user interface showing a map with three reaches labeled RCHRES 1, RCHRES 2, and RCHRES 3. Each reach is associated with a specific land use type: Forest Land, Agricultural Land, and Urban or Built-up respectively. A legend on the left identifies these land use categories with corresponding colored squares. Below the map is a table summarizing the land use data.

Land Use	Reaches	Implnd (Acres)	Perlnd (Acres)	Total (Acres)
Total		0.0	0.0	0.0



# FROM BASINS



# CREATE PROJECT

A photograph of a waterfall cascading down a rocky cliff into a pool of water.

**BASINS HSPF**

General | Land Use | Streams | Subbasins | Point Sources | Met Stations

HSPF Project Name:

Land Use Type:

Subbasins Layer:

Streams Layer:

Point Sources Layer:

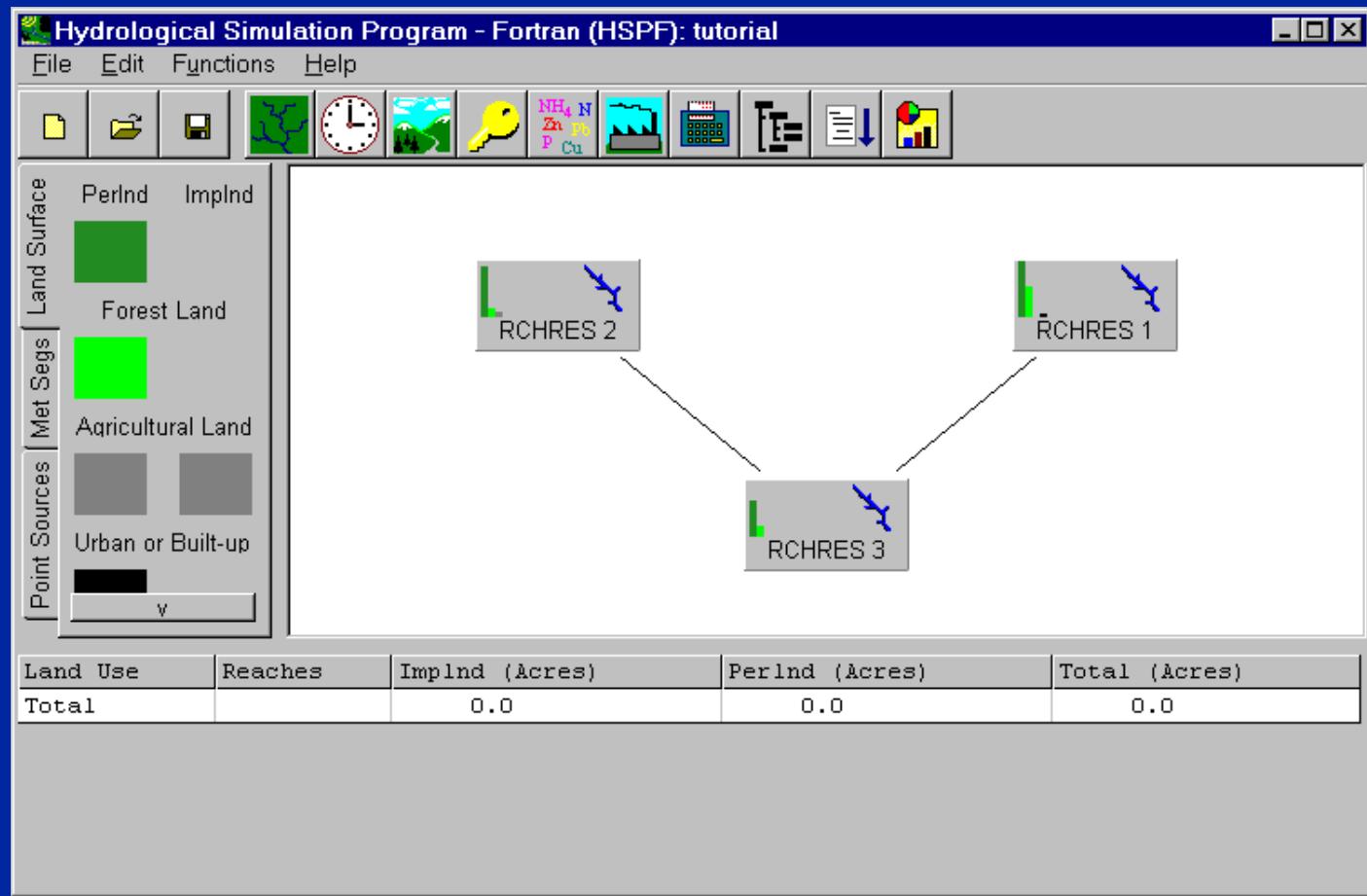
Met Stations Layer:

Status  
Update specifications if desired, then click OK to proceed.

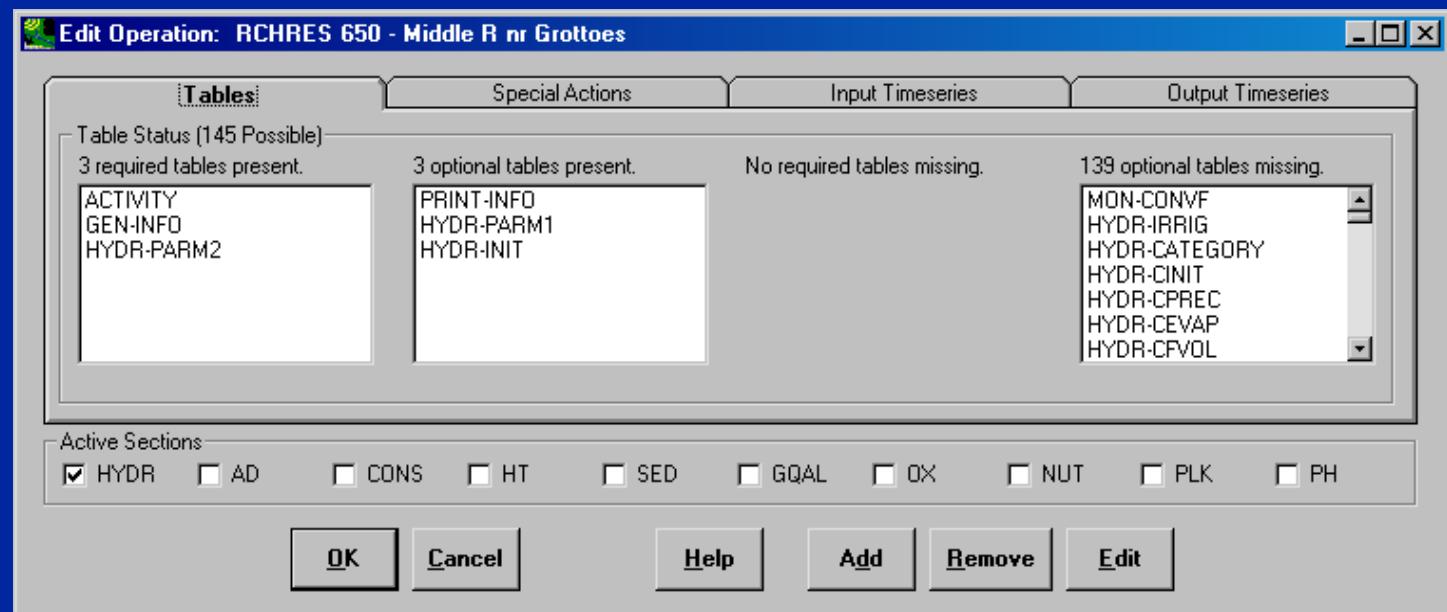
OK | Open Existing | Cancel | Help | About



# MAIN WINDOW



# OPERATION EDIT WINDOW





# MET DATA MANAGER

WinHSPF - Add Met Segment

Name: PA007229:PA PUTNEYVILLE 2 SE DAM

Constituent	WDM ID	TSTYPE	DSN	Mfact P/I	Mfact R
Precip	WDM2	PREC	31	1	1
Air Temp	WDM2	ATEM	33	1	1
Dew Point	WDM2	DEWP	37	1	1
Wind	WDM2	WIND	34	1	1
Solar Rad	WDM2	SOLR	35	1	1
Cloud	WDM2	CLOU	38	0	1
Evapotrans	WDM2	PEVT	36	1	0
Pot Evap	WDM2	EVAP	32	0	1

**OK**      **Cancel**



# POINT SOURCE MANAGER

**WinHSPF - Point Sources**

**Available:**

- SPECIALTY (OBS)
- GPU GENCO (OBS)
- FACTORY (OBS)**

**In Use:**

**Buttons:**

- Add →
- ← Remove
- Add All >>
- << Remove All

Show Details      Add New      Create Scenario

**Details of FACTORY (OBS)**

In Use	Reach	Pollutant	Target Member	MemSub1	MemSub2
No	RCHRES 1 - STREAM 1	FECAL CO	IVOL	0	0
No	RCHRES 1 - STREAM 1	FLOW	IVOL	0	0
No	RCHRES 1 - STREAM 1	SOLIDS,	IVOL	0	0
No	RCHRES 1 - STREAM 1	CHLORINE	IVOL	0	0
No	RCHRES 1 - STREAM 1	BOD, CAR	IVOL	0	0

**Icons:**

- Bar chart icon
- Icon with numbers 12 and 34
- Trash can icon

**Buttons:**

- OK
- Cancel

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# OUTPUT MANAGER

 WinHSPF - Output Manager

**Output Type**

Hydrology Calibration       AQUATOX Linkage  
 Flow       Other

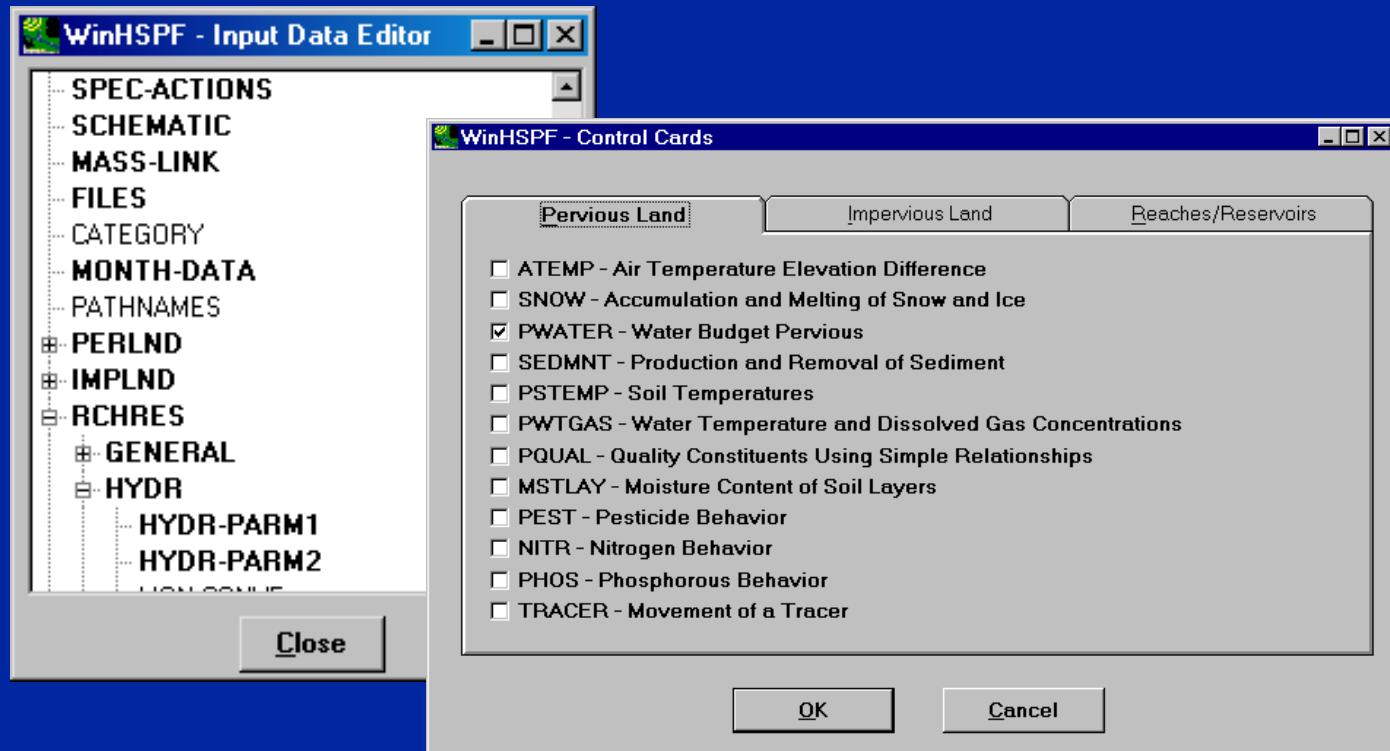
Output will be generated at each 'Other' output location for the specified constituents.

**Output Locations:**

Name	Description	Group/Member
RCHRES 3	STREAM 3	HYDR:STAGE

**Buttons:** Add, Remove, Copy, Close

# INPUT DATA EDITOR





# BASIC TABLE EDITING

**Edit PERLND:PWAT-PARM2**

Show Description

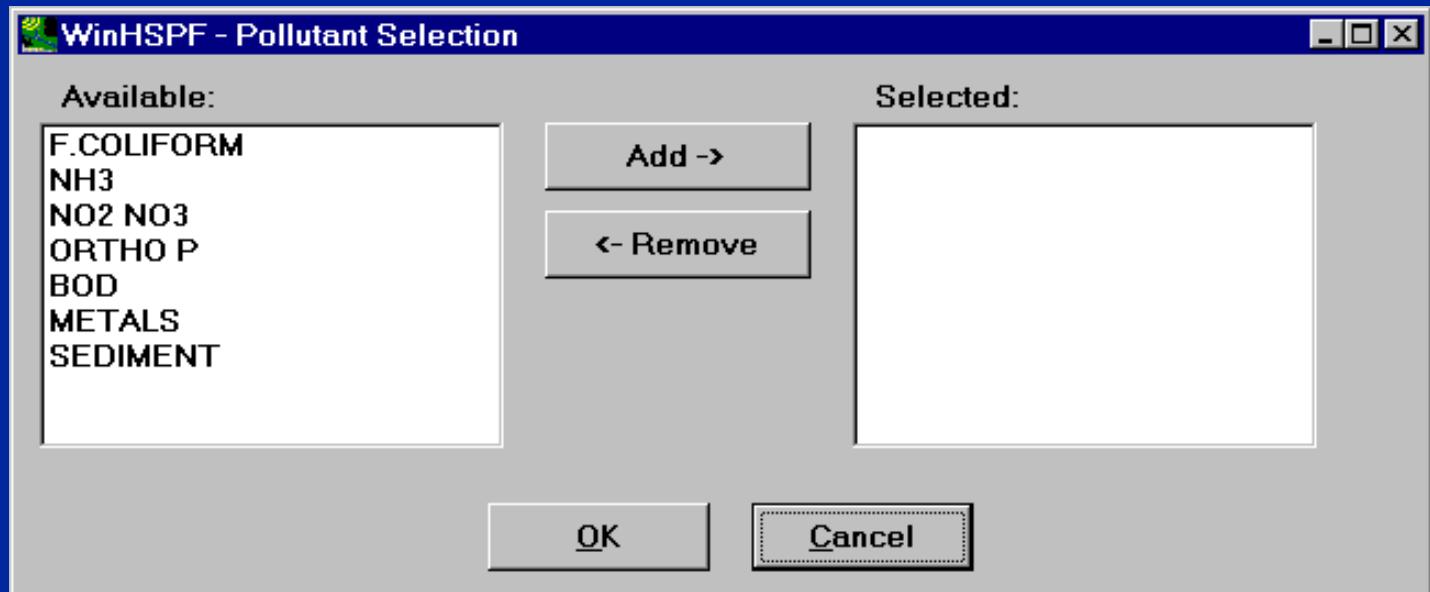
OpNum	Description	FOREST	LZSN	INFILT	LSUR	SLSUR	KVARY	AGWRC
191	FOREST	0	8	0.06	200	0.22	0	0.995
192	HIGH TILL CROPLAND	0	8	0.06	300	0.07	0	0.995
193	LOW TILL CROPLAND	0	8	0.06	300	0.07	0	0.995
194	PASTURE	0	8	0.05	270	0.11	0	0.995
195	URBAN	0	8	0.05	300	0.07	0	0.995
196	HAY	0	8	0.05	270	0.11	0	0.995

**PWAT-PARM2:AGWRC:**  
AGWRC is the basic groundwater recession rate if KVARY is zero and there is no inflow to groundwater (rate of flow today/rate yesterday).

**Buttons:** OK, Cancel, Apply, Help

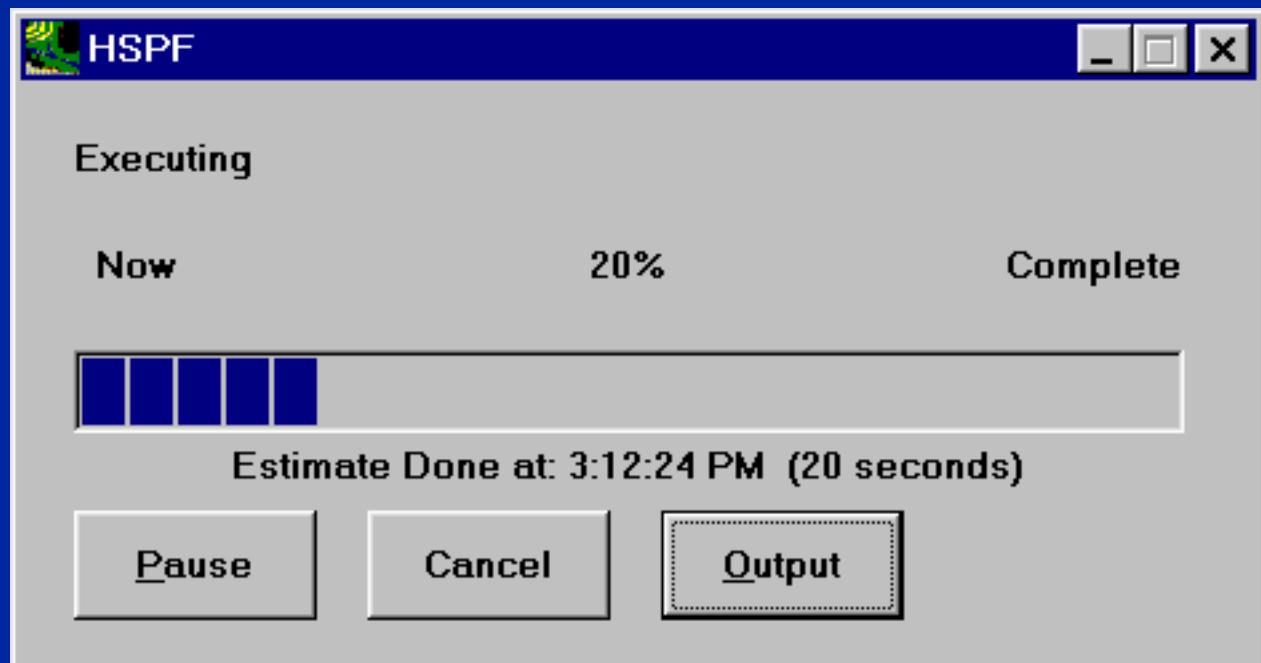


# POLLUTANT SELECTION





# RUN HSPF





# DIRECT TO GENSCN

