





# Improving Flood Warning in the Amazon

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# **Droughts in the Amazon**

Scientists have documented deepening droughts in the Amazon Basin







## Floods in the Amazon

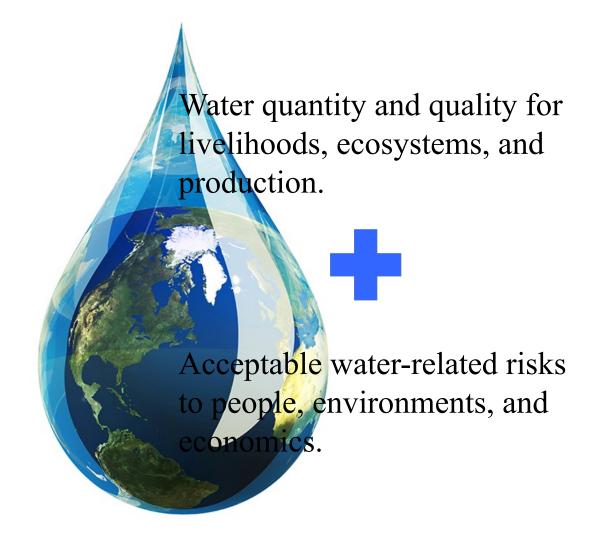




One of the most recurrent and costly natural disasters around the world



# **Water Security**





## Water Information is Critical





































... adopted by ~200 countries

# **GEO Global Water Sustainability Initiative**







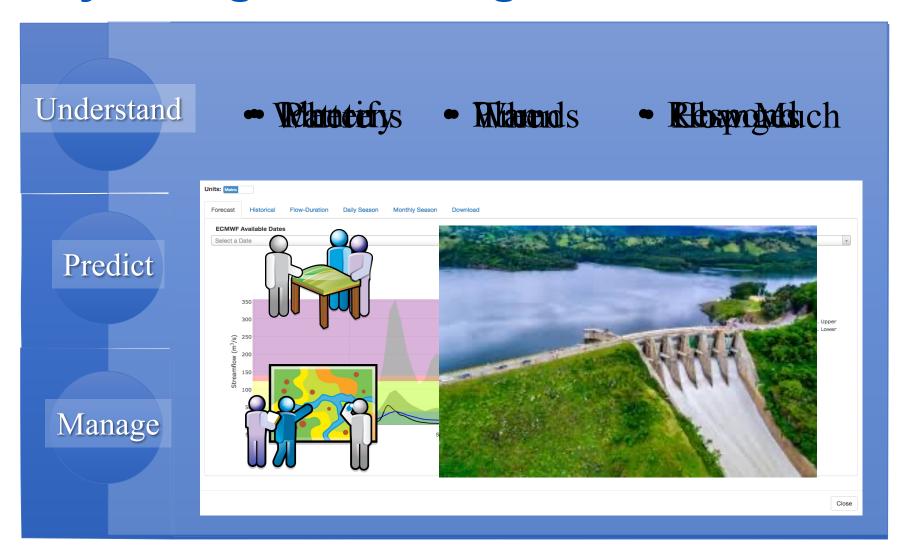




Connect People with Global Water Information

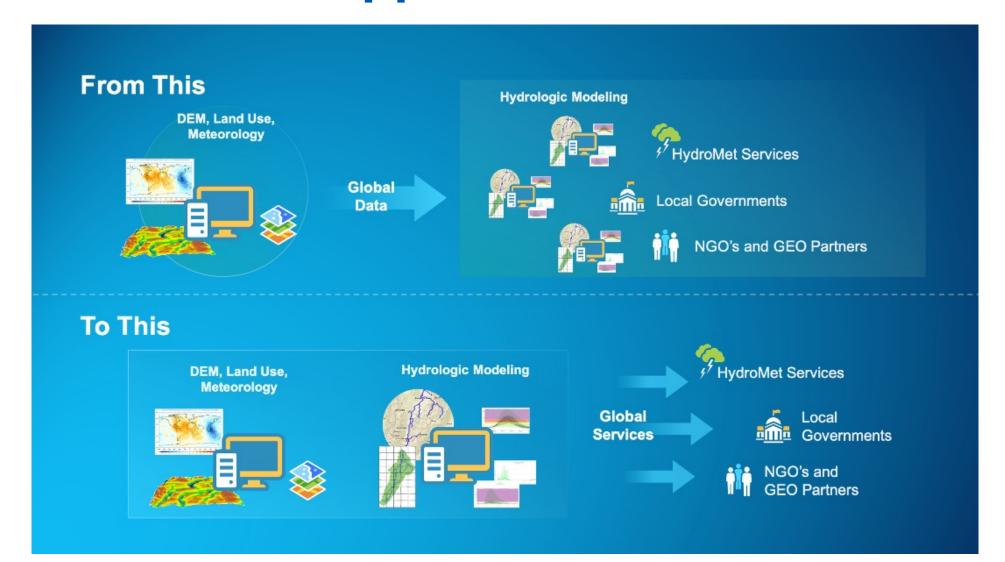


# Role of Hydrologic Modeling

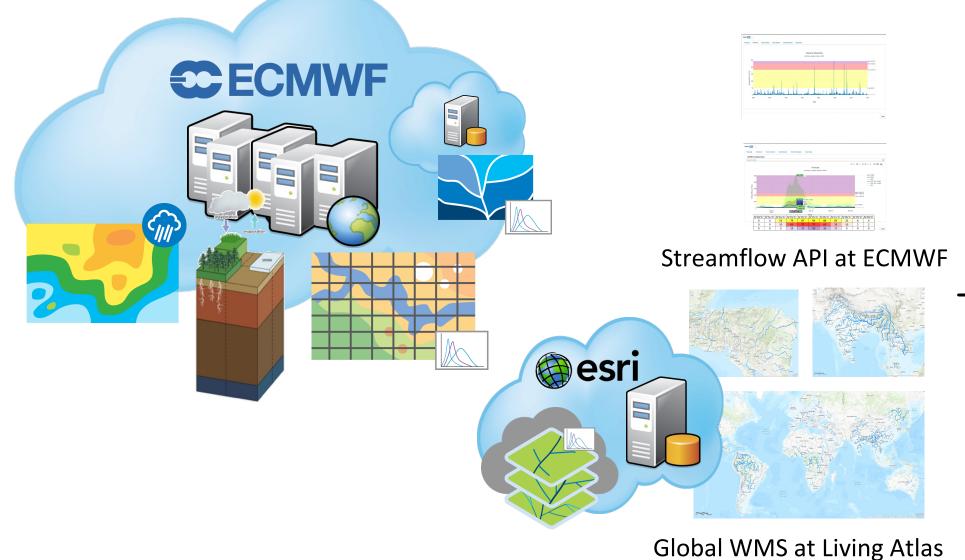


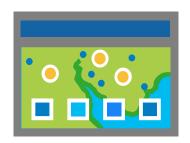


# **Global Models Support Local Decision Makers**



## **GEOGIoWS ECMWF Streamflow Services**



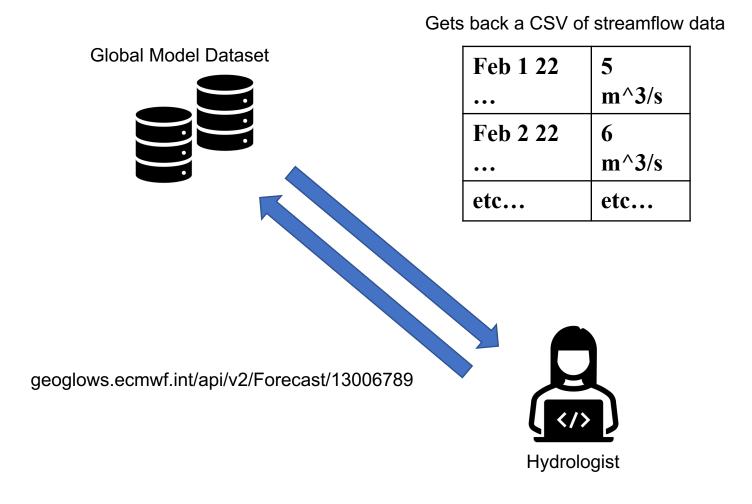






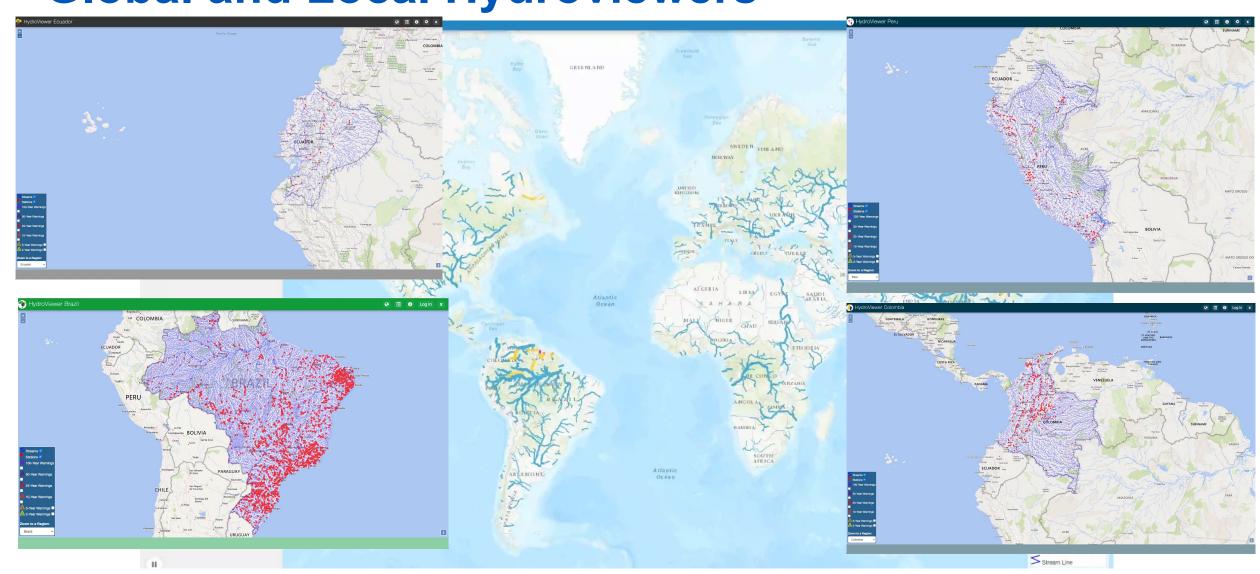


# How to get results from the REST API



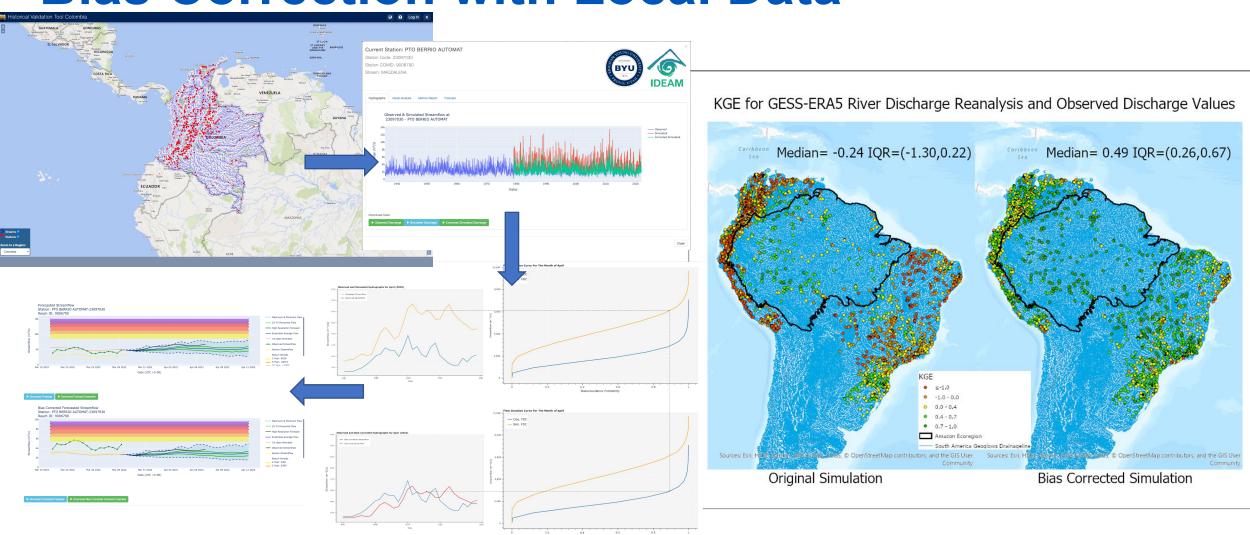


# **Global and Local Hydroviewers**



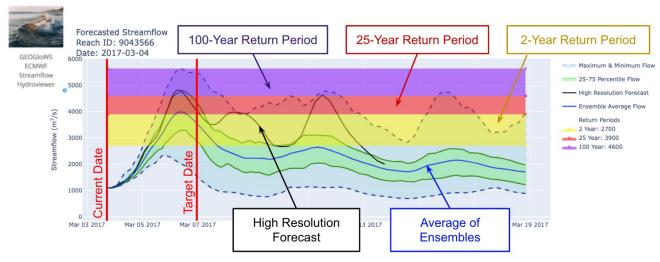


# **Bias Correction with Local Data**

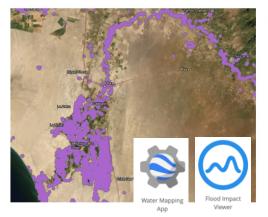


# **Training - Serious Game Applying GEOGloWS**





100-Year Flood



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Category	Impact	Cost per unit	Sub-total					
Agriculture	19191 hectares	\$4,000	\$76,764,240					
Population	64425 people	\$50	\$3,221,250					
Education	89	\$7,500	\$667,500					
Entertainment	0	\$10,000	\$0					
Financial	20	\$10,000	\$200,000					
Food	11	\$10,000	\$110,000					
Health Care	3	\$70,000	\$210,000					
Public	13	\$15,000	\$195,000					
Transportation	0	\$25,000	\$0					
Waste Management	4	\$7,500	\$30,000					
		Total Damage	\$81,397,990					

Actions		Lead Time									
		10 days	9 days	8 days	7 days	6 days	5 days	4 days	3 days	2 days	1 day
Round 1	Pre-position					X			-	-	-
	Sandbag									-	-
	Warn							X			
	Evacuate								X		

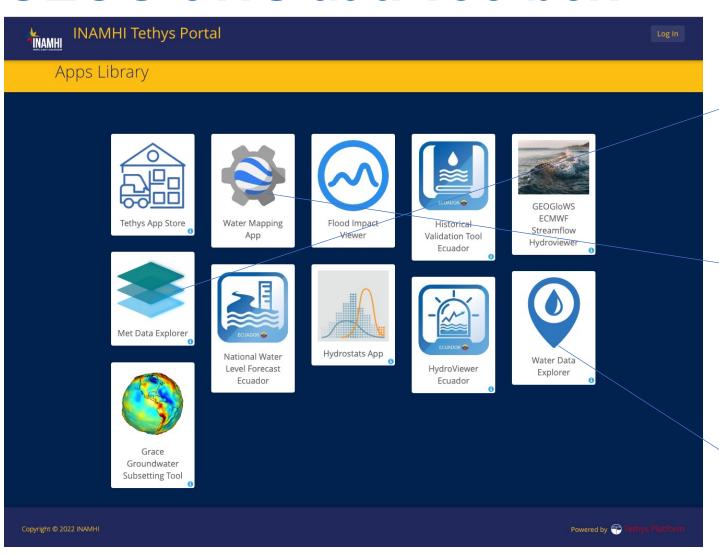
#### • This is how you would calculate your cost of protection:

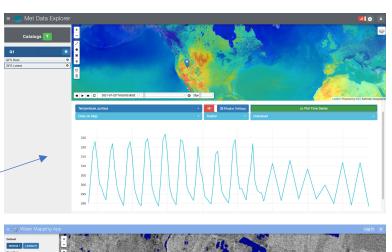
Actions	Lead Time									
	10 days	9 days	8 days	7 days	6 days	5 days	4 days	3 days	2 days	1 days
Pre-position	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$37,500	\$40,000	\$45,000	\$50,000	-	-	-
Sandbag	\$30,000	\$35,000	\$40,000	\$45,000	\$50,000	\$55,000	\$60,000	\$65,000	-	-
Warn	\$45,000	\$32,000	\$29,000	\$26,000	\$23,000	\$20,000	\$22,000	\$25,000	\$30,000	\$40,000
Evacuate	\$100,000	\$95,000	\$85,000	\$80,000	\$75,000	\$70,000	\$65,000	\$60,000	\$90,000	\$120,000

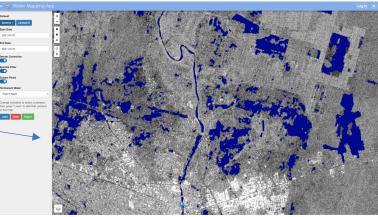
Cost of Protection = \$0 + \$30,000 + \$150,000 + \$40,000 + \$22,000 + \$60,000 Cost of Protection = \$302,000

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## **GEOGIoWS** at a Toolbox



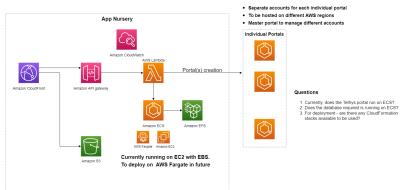






## **GEO – AWS Initiative**







## **Dominican Republic**



### **Ecuador**



### Colombia



#### Peru



### **Brazil**



# Thank you!







