

PC10 Module 5: “Review and re-run the lake model”

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Background: previous Lake Rotorua modelling

Predicting the effects of nutrient loads,
management regimes and climate change
on water quality of Lake Rotorua



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2012

- Focused on nutrient loading and climate change
- N loading and scenarios from early version of ROTAN
- P inputs linearly interpolated from monthly measurements (i.e., minimal stormflow particulates)
- P scenarios proportional reduction based on CLUES simulations
- Baseline period 2001 – 2009
- Effects of alum were not considered

Background: previous Lake Rotorua modelling

Assessing the effects of alum dosing of
two inflows to Lake Rotorua against
external nutrient load reductions:
Model simulations for 2001-2012



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Early-2015

- Focused on nutrient loading and alum effects
- N loading and scenarios from later version of ROTAN
- P inputs linearly interpolated from monthly measurements (i.e., minimal stormflow particulates)
- P scenarios assumed proportional reduction of P and N
- Calibration period 2001 – 2007, scenario period 2007 – 2012
- Limited number of scenarios



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Lake Rotorua Treated Wastewater Discharge: Environmental Effects Study



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Late-2015

- Further improvement of stream inputs
- N and P loading from measurements, w/ high-flow concentration modelling (i.e. includes stormflow particulates)
- Scenarios focused on effects of additional load from wastewater

PC10 modelling 're-run'

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Updated version 2.2

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Note 13: Decouple the 'review' of the lake model from the 'rerun' aspects of this point (Action)

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Review:

The ability of the lake model to 'replicate recent years data' (i.e., the 'alum era') was the focus of Hamilton et al. (2015).

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Re-run:

~~Note 14: The rerun of the scenarios through the model would be put on hold until the phytoplankton experiment data is available.~~

“At a meeting on 13 October 2017 (with Chris McBride, David Hamilton, Paul Scholes, Andy Bruere and Simon Park), it was agreed that:

- the lake model scenarios would be expanded from the above approach*
- a '5 x 5' matrix of nitrogen and phosphorus loading scenarios would be used, with some scenarios including alum.” (TOR, Appendix IV)*

PC10 modelling module: work plan

Core deliverables:

- Update the DYRESM-CAEDYM lake model to incorporate aspects of the Hamilton et al. (2015) and Abell et al. (2015) versions, as well as Tempero et al. (2015).
- Scenario 'matrix'

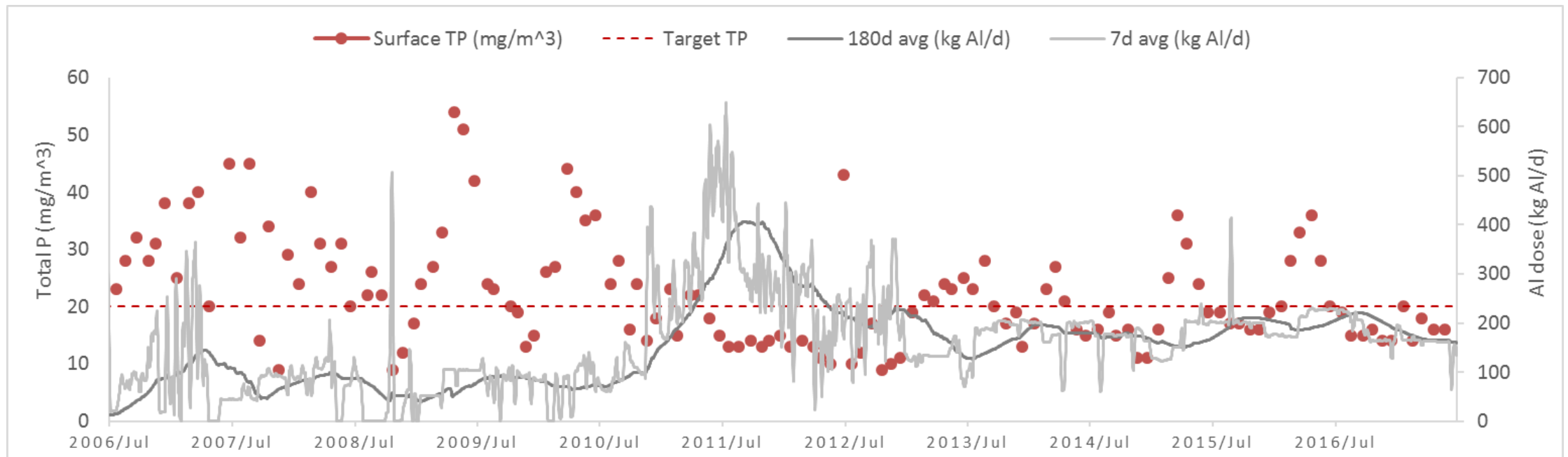
Additional deliverables:

- Sensitivity analysis of baseline model (to increase confidence in model performance).
- Development of similar model using GOTM-FABM-PCLake
- Extension of modelling framework to cover the entire 'management period' (1960 to present).

Core deliverables

Model re-run

- Model inputs based on observed concentrations (rather than ROTAN and scenarios).
- Simulation period: 2001 – 2017. Calibration/validation period: 2001 – 2007 (as for Hamilton et al. 2015; to avoid the confounding influence of alum dosing on model calibration).
- Incorporate and refine model using new knowledge from Tempero et al. (2015), Abell et al. (2015)
- Scenarios will represent long-term sustainable management, i.e., without alum. *Why? Because CAEDYM cannot (presently) account dynamically for alum dosing rate.*



Core deliverables

‘Scenario matrix’

- Presently refining the 2015 versions of the DYRESM-CAEDYM modelling.
- Scenarios to be run within 3 weeks.
- Draft report available mid-June.

M = minimum load
L = lower load
P = Present load (2001 – 2007)
I = Increased load
X = Maximum load

		TN load in t y ⁻¹				
TP load in t y ⁻¹ (brackets = load without stormflow particulates)	TN \ TP	435	550	655	700	750
	39 (27)	M.M	L.M	P.M	I.M	X.M
	45 (31)	M.L	L.L	P.L	I.L	X.L
	51 (35)	M.P	LP	P.P	I.P	X.P
	53 (37)	M.I	L.I	P.I	I.I	X.I
	55 (38)	M.X	L.X	P.X	I.X	X.X

‘Extra’ deliverables

Extend model time-frame to the entire management period (1960 to present)

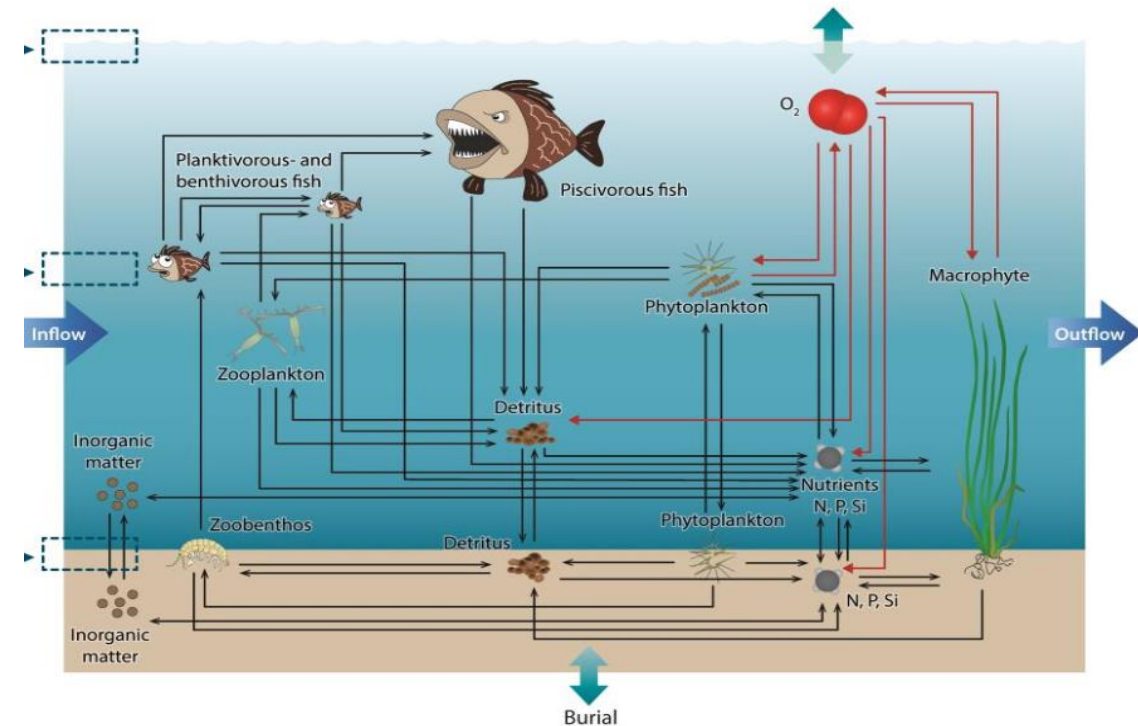
- Requires synthesis of all monitoring data in the catchment and lake to provide data with which to drive and calibrate the model over the long-term.
- Need to represent long-term processes and feedback mechanisms.
- ‘Multi-model’ approach: DYRESM-CAEDYM & GOTM-FABM-PCLake

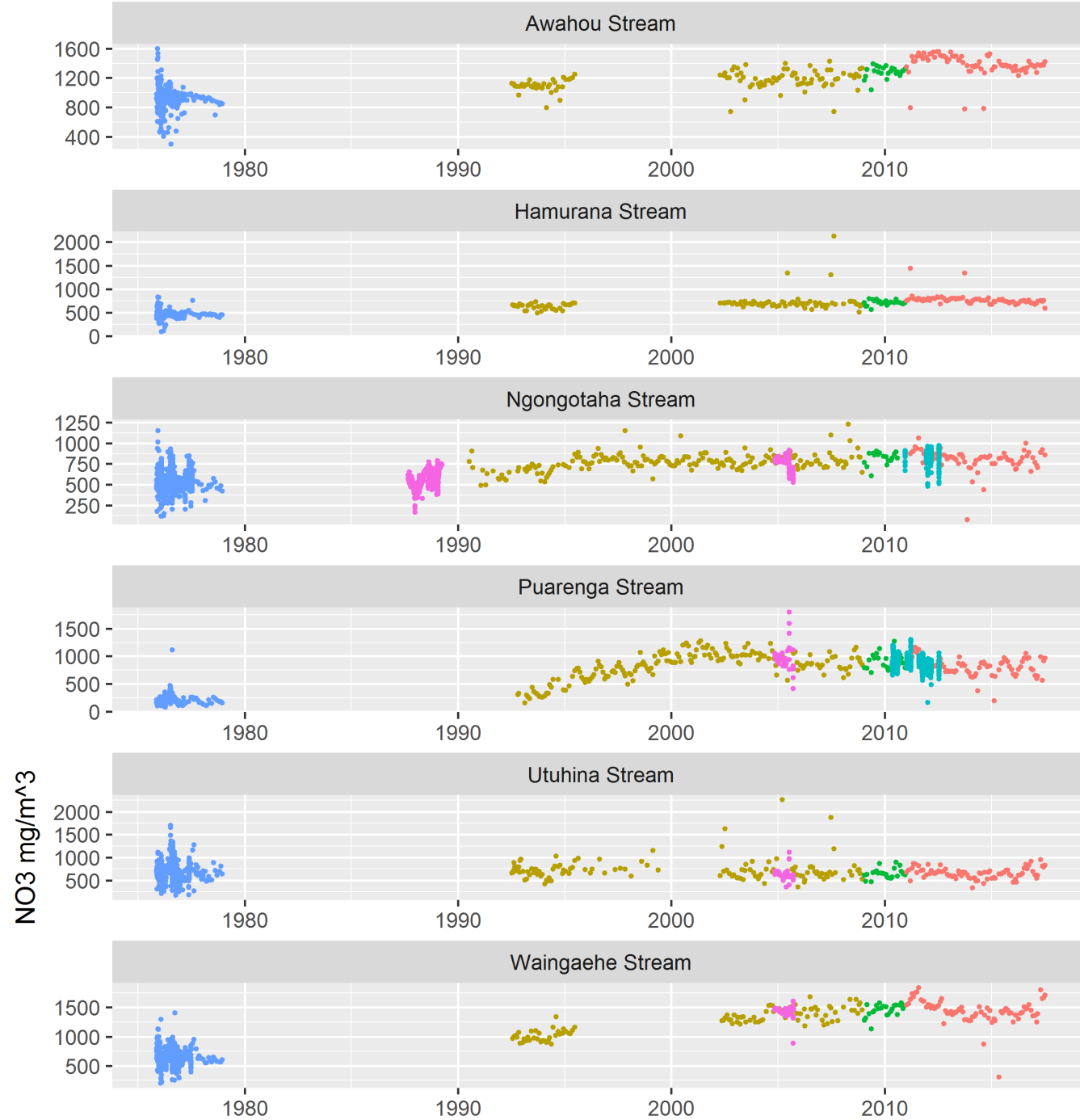
Why GOTM-PCLake?

PCLake includes a simplified sediment model which links internal nutrient cycling/feedbacks ('internal loading') to nutrient loading from the catchment and sedimentation/burial processes in the lake.

This makes PCLake much more suitable for simulations over the entire management timeframe for Rotorua, and reduces the number of assumptions required for previous CAEDYM simulations.

PCLake also includes more functional representation of macrophytes and higher biology.



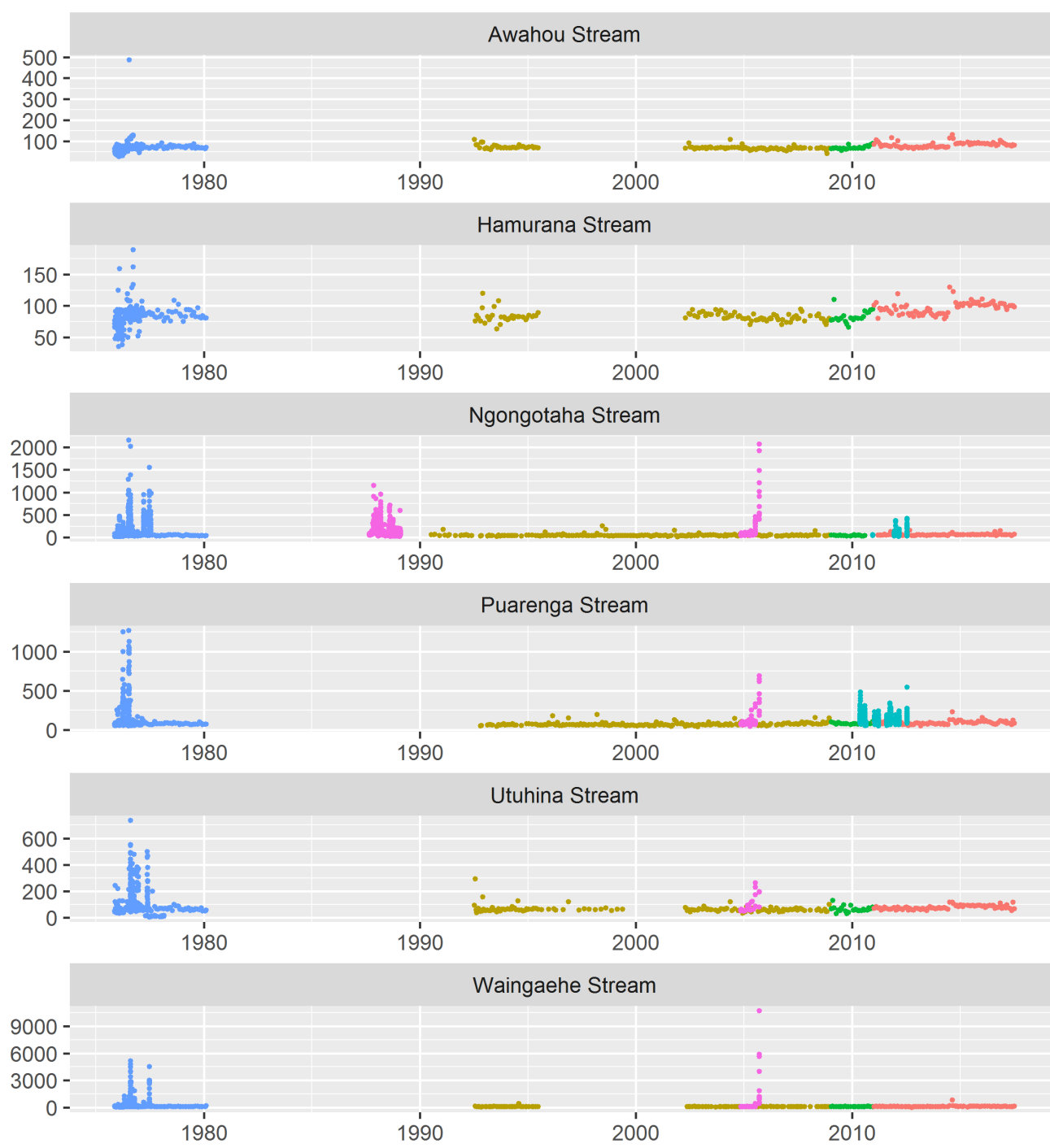


Progress:
Compiled long-term
monitoring record for
inflows (multiple sources)

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- BoP or NIWA or Hill
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- Hoare/MoW
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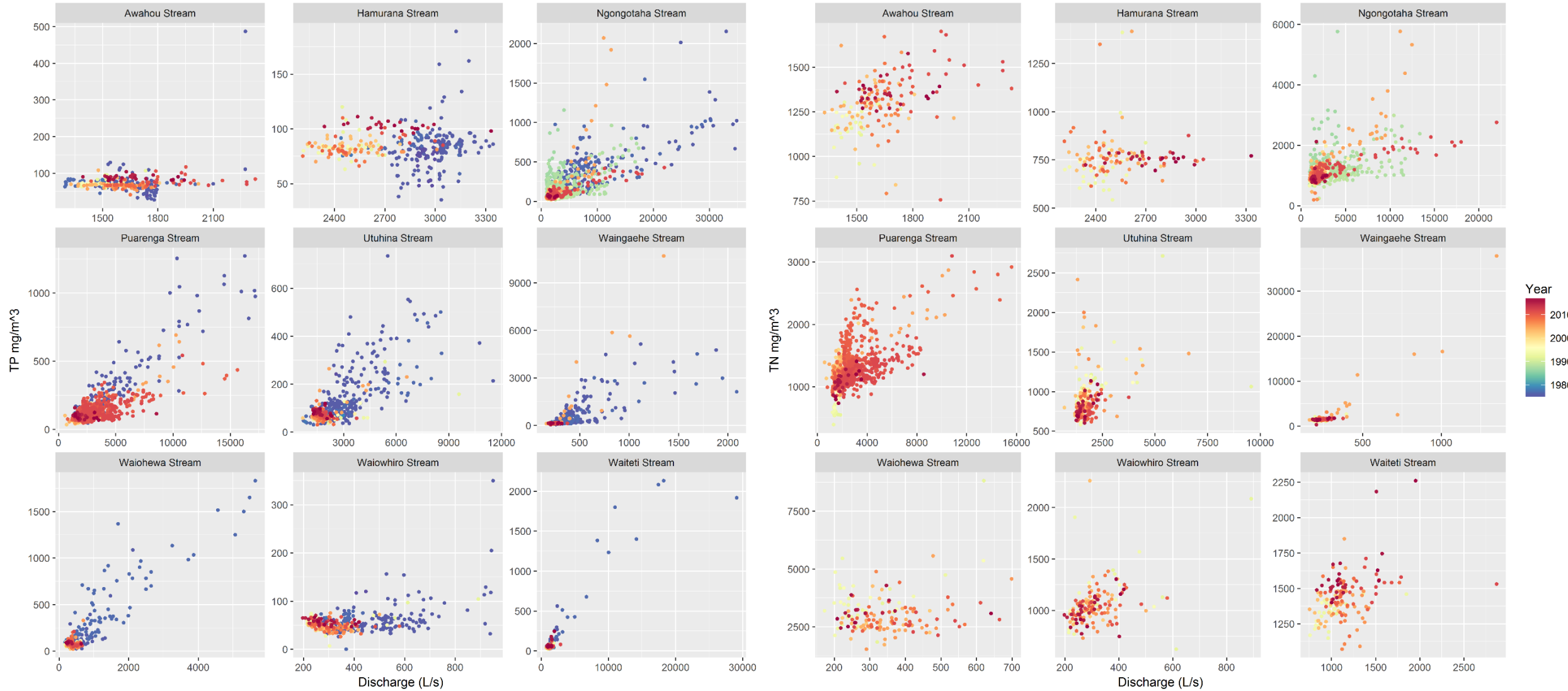


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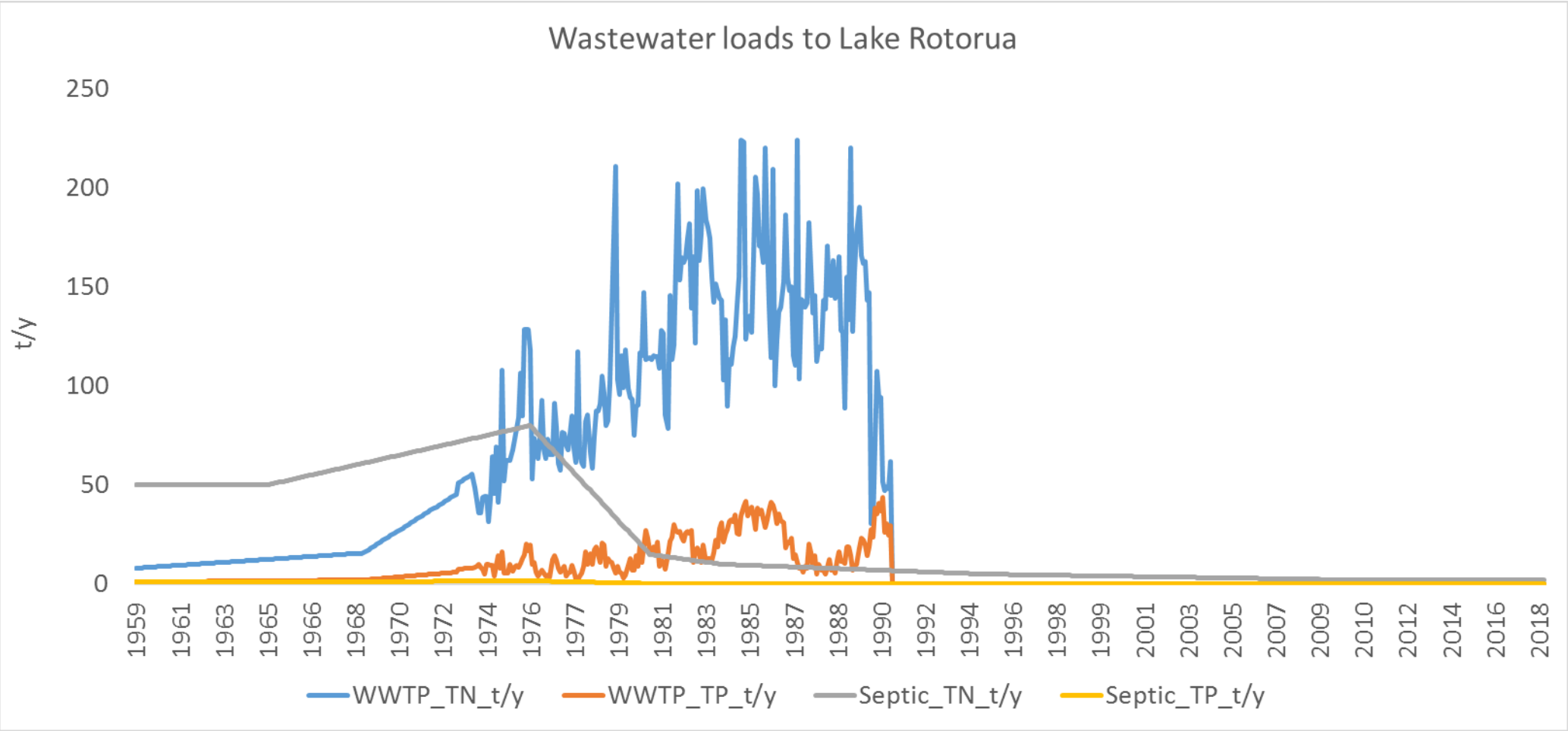
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Discharge-flow relationships, through time



Compiled and estimated long-term wastewater inputs (excluding LTS)



Compiled long-term lake monitoring record (multiple sources)

