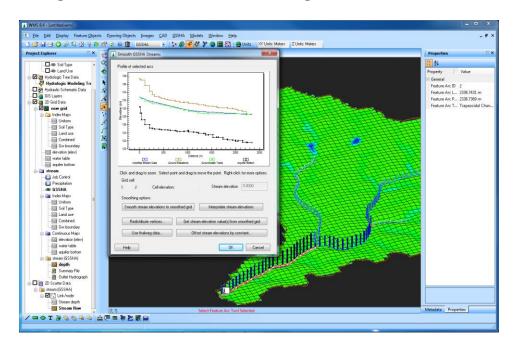


WMS 10.1 Tutorial

GSSHA – Groundwater – Advanced Groundwater Modeling in GSSHA

Add advanced groundwater features to an existing GSSHA model



Objectives

This tutorial demonstrates how to add advanced groundwater interactions such as stream interaction, wells, and specified head boundary conditions to an existing GSSHA model.

Prerequisite Tutorials

• GSSHA – Groundwater – Groundwater Modeling in GSSHA

Required Components

- Data
- Drainage
- Map
- Hydrology
- 2D Grid
- GSSHA

Time

• 30-60 minutes





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1 Introduction

The previous workshop showed how a basic groundwater simulation can be developed in GSSHA. In this workshop, some more advanced topics in groundwater simulation are discussed.

2 Open an Existing GSSHA Project

Continue working with the model developed in the previous workshop. If the model in the previous workshop did not work right or it was closed, it is available from *\Tutorials***\GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling*\Groundwater*\GW.prj.

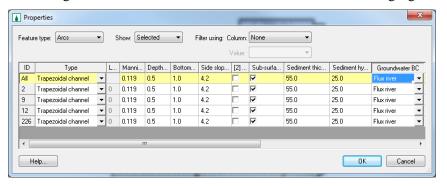
- 1. Locate the *GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling* folder in the files for this tutorial. If needed, download the tutorial files from www.aquaveo.com.
- 2. Save the project as \ GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling \ \Personal \ Groundwater \ GWAdv, prj.
- 3. Turn off the display of all the coverages except GSSHA coverage.

3 Adding Streams to the groundwater model

The basic groundwater model developed in the previous workshop did not have the stream routing option turned on. This tutorial shows how to turn on stream routing and define a groundwater boundary condition for the streams. Because a significant amount of water goes into the subsurface flow from the channel, subsurface flow from the channel bottom will also be enabled.

- 1. Click on the GSSHA coverage in the Project Explorer to select it.
- 2. Click on the *Select Feature Line Branch Tool* and double click at the downstream most arc of the channel network (the one that is connected to the watershed outlet). This will open the channel *Properties* dialog with all stream arcs selected.
- 3. For all segments, change the channel type to *Trapezoidal channel, Manning's n* to 0.119. *Depth* to 0.5m, *Bottom Width* to 1m and *Side Slope* to 4.2.

- 4. For all segments, turn on the *Sub-surface losses/gains* option and enter 55 cm for *Sediment Thickness* and 25 cm/hr for *sediment hydraulic conductivity*.
- 5. Change the *Groundwater BC* to *Flux River*. See the following figure.

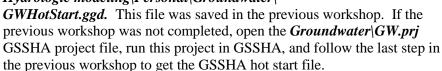


- 4. Click OK.
- 5. In the GSSHA *Job Control* dialog (2D Grid Module, GSSHA | Job Control), select the Diffusive Wave option for channel routing. Click OK to close the Job Control dialog.
- 6. In the *Project Explorer*, under 2D Grid Data, click on the Gw Boundary index map. When selecting it, a single-colored index map will be visible on the WMS display which represents a generic groundwater BC. This map needs to be regenerated for the river flux boundary condition just defined on the stream arcs.
- 7. Right click on the *Gw boundary* index map and select *Regenerate*. Notice the different-colored cells that represent the channel network.

4 Import a Hotstart file for groundwater elevations

Using the output dataset from one model as an input to another model is called a *Hotstart* in GSSHA. In this workshop, the final groundwater elevation from the previous workshop will be used as a hot start file for the starting groundwater head of this model.

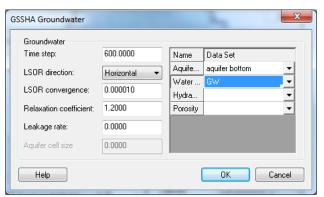
- 1. In the *Project Explorer*, click on the 2D Grid Data folder to select it.
- 2. Right click on the *new grid* folder directly under the 2D Grid data and select Import Scalar dataset
- 3. Select GRASS ASCII grid file and click OK.
- 4. Browse and open the file \ GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling \Personal \Groundwater \ GWHotStart.ggd. This file was saved in the previous



NOTE that in the *Open* dialog, the file type may need to be changed to *All Files* (*.*).

5. In the *Project Explorer*, under 2D Grid data notice a GWAdv GSSHA model. Right click the Continuous Maps folder under this model and assign the GWHotStart dataset. This will list the GWHotStart dataset imported as a hot start file as one of the continuous maps for the GWAdv model.

- 6. In the GSSHA *Job Control*, Click on *Edit Parameters* button next to *Groundwater*.
- 7. Assign *GWHotStart* for the *Water Table*.



8. Click *OK* and *OK* again.

5 Save and Run the Model

- 1. Save the project as \ GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling \ \Personal \ Groundwater \ GWAdv.prj.
- Run GSSHA and visualize the results.

6 Visualize the Results

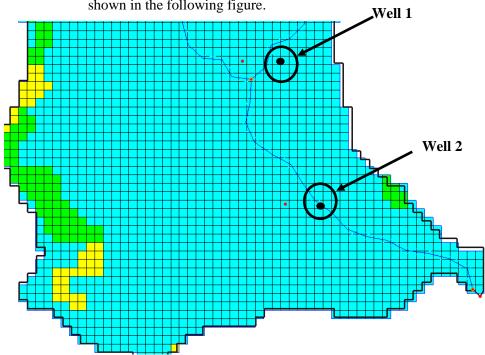
- Once done running, open the hydrograph plot and copy the ordinates to the With Streams column in the Data tab in the spreadsheet
 C:/Training\Groundwater\GWResults.xls.
- 3. Compare the values and hydrograph plot with the previous case where the streams were not turned on.
- 4. Step through the time steps of the *groundwater_head* map to see how the water surface changes during the simulation.
- 5. Open the summary file and scroll down to find the *SIMULATION TOTALS* at the end of the file. Copy the information in the SIMULATION TOTALS section of the file to the *Simulation Totals* sheet under the *With Streams* column of \(\begin{align*} GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling \(\begin{align*} Groundwater \\ GWResults.xls.\) Observe any differences in the final values and think about why these differences might have occurred in the current model.
- 6. This is an optional step. The file \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Personal\Groundwater\GWAdv.wte (a GRASS ASCII Grid) may be imported. It is the final water table at the end of the model simulation. Compare this file with the initial water table elevation dataset (GW) using the data calculator.

7 Add Wells to the Groundwater Model

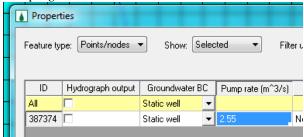
GSSHA can be used to simulate the effects of pumping wells on groundwater heads. In this section, two wells will be added into the model being built.

If the project was closed or not finished, open it from \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Groundwater\GWAdv.prj.

- 1. Save the project as \(\mathbb{GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling \\Personal\\Groundwater\\GWAdvWells.prj.\)
- 2. Turn off the display of all the coverages except the GSSHA coverage.
- 3. In the *Project Explorer*, click on the *GSSHA* coverage to select it.
- 4. Select the *Create Feature Point Tool* and click on the two cells shown in the following figure.



- 5. Click on the *Select Feature Point/Node* Tool and double click on *Well 1* (see above figure). This will open the *Properties* dialog.
- 6. In the *Groundwater BC* column, select *Static Well*. Enter 2.55 m³/s for the *Pumping Rate*.



- 7. Click OK.
- 8. Similarly, double click on *Well 2*. In the *Groundwater BC* column, select *Dynamic Well*. Click on the open button to the right of the Dynamic well selection, under *Pump rate*, which will open the *XY Series Editor* window.
- 9. Outside of WMS, browse and open the spreadsheet \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\ Groundwater\PumpingRate.xls. Copy all the data and paste it into the XY Series Editor.

- 10. Click *OK* and *OK* again.
- 11. Select the *Gw Boundary* Index map in the *Project Explorer* and *Regenerate* it.
- 12. This will create an index map for the wells. This new index map will be selected, causing a change in the display of the boundary condition index map. All the boundary conditions can be viewed by selecting the *Gw Boundary* index map.

8 Import the Hotstart File for the Groundwater Table

- 1. In the *Project Explorer*, click on 2D grid data to select it.
- 2. Right click on *new grid* folder (under 2D Grid Data) and select Import Scalar Data Set
- 3. Select GRASS ASCII grid file and click OK.
- 4. Browse and open the hot start file, located at \(GSSHA Distributed \)
 Hydrologic modeling\(Personal \)
 Groundwater\(GWHotStart.ggd. \)
- 5. In the project explorer, right-click on the hot start file dataset and rename the dataset to *GWAdv*.
- 6. In the *Project Explorer*, under 2D Grid data, notice the GWAdvWells GSSHA project. Right click on the Continuous Maps folder under this model and Assign the GWAdv dataset. Notice that this adds the GWAdv dataset as a continuous map in the GWAdvWells model.
- 7. In the GSSHA *Job Control*, Click on the *Edit Parameters* button next to *Groundwater*.
- 8. Assign *GWAdv* for the *Water Table*.
- 9. Click *OK* and *OK* again.

9 Save and Run the Model

- 1. Save the project as |GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling| Personal|Groundwater|GWAdvWells.prj
- 2. Run GSSHA and visualize the results.

10 Visualize the Results

- 1. When GSSHA has finished running, open the hydrograph plot and copy the ordinates to the *With Wells* column in the *Data* tab in the spreadsheet \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Groundwater\GWResults.xls.
- 2. Compare the results with the results from the previous models which did not simulate wells.
- 3. Step through the maps of *groundwater_head* and see how the water surface changes over the period of the simulation.
- 4. Open the summary file and scroll down to find the SIMULATION TOTALS at the end of the file. Copy the information in the SIMULATION TOTALS section of the file to the Simulation Totals sheet under the With Wells column of \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Groundwater\GWResults.xls. Observe any differences in the final values and think about why these differences might have occurred in the current model.

5. This is an optional step. The file \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Personal\Groundwater\GWAdvWells.wte (a GRASS ASCII Grid) may be imported. It is the final water table at the end of model simulation. Compare this file with initial water table elevation dataset (GWAdv) using the data calculator.

11 Add Outside Boundary Conditions

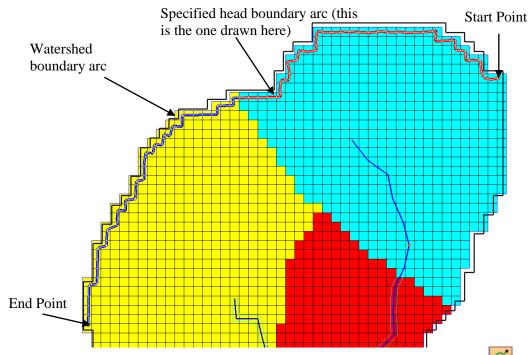
In all of the groundwater models built so far, we have been assuming that the watershed boundary is a *No Flow* boundary condition. In this exercise, we will define a specified head boundary condition to the watershed boundary and re-run the model.

The grid cells that have a specified head boundary condition need to be selected using an arc. Select these cells either by modifying an existing arc or by creating a new arc.

In this workshop, create a new arc that represents the specified head boundary.

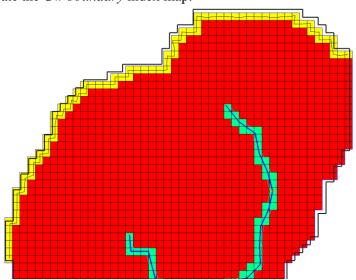
If the previous model was closed or not completed, open it from \ GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Groundwater\GWAdvWells.prj.

- 1. Save the GSSHA project as \(\begin{aligned} \text{GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling} \\ \text{Personal}\(\text{Groundwater}\\ \text{GWAdvBdry.prj.} \end{aligned}\)
- 2. Turn off the display of all the coverages except the GSSHA coverage.
- 3. In the *Project Explorer*, click on the *GSSHA* coverage to select it.
- 4. Select the *Create Feature Arc Tool* and draw an arc starting from the point shown in the following figure and intersect each grid cell along the boundary until reaching the end point.
- 5. While drawing the boundary arc, follow these guidelines:
 - Do not intersect the arc being drawn with the watershed boundary arc. This will end the arc at the point of intersection.
 - Make sure to intersect each grid cell along the edge of the watershed model.
 - Make sure to make a continuous selection of grid cells (do not draw the arc so that a cell is missed in between).
 - It is a good idea to use the zoom tool or the mouse scroll wheel (press the wheel down to pan or scroll to zoom in/out) while creating the arc to center the view on the section of the working area on screen.



- 6. Once the arc has been traced, click on *Select Feature Arc Tool* and double click on the Specified head boundary arc to open the *Properties* dialog.
- 7. Change the Groundwater BC property for the arc to *Constant head*. GSSHA will read the head elevation from the water table data.
- 8. Click OK
- 9. Select the *Gw Boundary* Index map in the *Project Explorer* and *Regenerate* it.
- 10. If properly created, the specified head boundary will be displayed for the *Gw boundary* index map as shown in the following figure.

 NOTE: if a few cells are missed along the boundary, edit the location of the vertices along the arc using *Select Feature Vertex* tool and regenerate the *Gw boundary* index map.



12 Import Hotstart File for Groundwater Elevations

- 1. In the *Project Explorer*, click on the 2D grid data folder to select it.
- 2. Right click on *new grid* folder which is right under *2D Grid data* and select *Import Scalar dataset*.
- 3. Select GRASS ASCII grid file and click OK.
- 4. Browse and open the hot start file, located at \(GSSHA Distributed \)
 Hydrologic modeling\(Personal \)
 Groundwater\(GWHotStart.ggd. \)
- 5. In the project explorer, right-click on the hot start file dataset and rename the dataset to *GWAdvWells*.
- 6. In the *Project Explorer*, under 2D *Grid data*, notice the *GWAdvBdry* GSSHA project. Right click on the *Continuous Maps* folder under this model and Assign the *GWAdvWells* dataset. Notice that this lists the *GWAdvWells* dataset imported as a hot start file as one of the continuous maps.
- 7. In the GSSHA *Job Control*, Click on the *Edit Parameters* button next to *Groundwater*.
- 8. Assign the *GWAdvWells* data set to the *Water table*.
- 9. Click *OK* and *OK* again.

13 Save and Run the Model

The model is now ready to be run.

- 1. Save the project as \(\begin{align*} GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\\\ Personal\\ Groundwater\\ GWAdvBdry.prj\end{align*}
- 2. Run GSSHA and visualize the results.

14 Visualize the Results

- 1. When GSSHA has finished running, open the hydrograph plot and copy the ordinates to the *Static Head BC* column in the *Data* tab in the spreadsheet \(\mathbb{GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\)\(\mathbb{Groundwater\}\)\(\mathbb{GWResults.xls.}\)
- 2. Compare the results with the results from the previous models which did not simulate the outside boundary conditions.
- 3. Step through the maps of *groundwater_head* and see how the water surface changes over the period of the simulation.
- 4. Open the summary file and scroll down to find the SIMULATION TOTALS at the end of the file. Copy the information in the SIMULATION TOTALS section of the file to the Simulation Totals sheet under the Static Head BC column of \GSSHA Distributed Hydrologic modeling\Groundwater\GWResults.xls. Observe any differences in the final values and think about why these differences might have occurred in the current model.
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