Hydrodynamic Model Development Report: Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta and Suisun Bay (Water Year 2016)

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1 Introduction

This report describes work related to hydrodynamic model development for the San Francisco Bay-Delta Estuary, undertaken as part of a broader effort to develop and apply coupled biogeochemical-hydrodynamic models to inform nutrient management decisions. The primary intended application of the hydrodynamic model output is for use as input to an offline-coupled biogeochemical model to simulate a wide range of state variables and processes, including: advective and dispersive transport, nutrient transformations, phytoplankton production, benthic and pelagic grazing, sediment diagenesis, and oxygen cycling.

The project's primary goals included:

- Simulate hydrodynamics, salinity, and temperature for Water Year 2016 (WY2016) by updating/refining an existing public-domain/open-source Bay-Delta hydrodynamic model (Martyr-Koller et al., 2017; Vroom et al., 2017), including:
 - build boundary condition (e.g., tides, freshwater flows) and external forcing datasets (e.g., wind, other meteorological data);
 - refine representation of gate operations and other water management forcings.
- Validate WY2016 hydrodynamic model output by comparing model predictions with field observations for discharge, water elevation, salinity, and temperature.
- Pursue the above concrete goals in ways that build capacity for simulating and validating additional water years, including flexible or generalizable utilities (e.g., scripts) and data resources that allow for efficient model set-up/launch and analysis/validation of model output.

Section 2 describes model set-up, including the origin of the starting model, model platform and performance, grid, boundary conditions, initial conditions, structures and model parameters. Section 3 discusses the development of the database that supports model setup and validation for both hydrodynamic and biogeochemical models. Section 4 covers the model results, including validation statistics and a discussion of model performance. Finally, in Section 5 we discuss potential next steps to improve hydrodynamic model performance.

2 Model Setup

2.1 Background

This work builds on the CASCaDE (USGS, 2018) and San Francisco Bay-Delta Community Model (Community Model, 2019) projects. The three-dimensional hydrodynamic model of the San Francisco Bay and Sacramento-San Joaquin River Delta developed by Martyr-Koller et al. (2017) and Vroom et al. (2017) for WY2011 and WY2012 as part of CASCaDE II serves as the basis for SFEI's biogeochemical model of the same system. The biogeochemical model was applied to WY2011, and results were presented at the March 2019 Delta-Suisun modeling progress update to the California Water Board Region 5. The hydrodynamic model is built on Delft3D-FM (DFM), and the biogeochemical model is built on Delta Water Quality (DWAQ) – both of these are open-source modeling platforms developed and maintained by Deltares of the Netherlands. WY2011 was a relatively wet year, and to develop a model capable of handling a wider range of hydrological forcing, it was decided to extend the model to WY2016, a year with more moderate inflows. This report describes extension of the DFM hydrodynamic model to WY2016. We have developed the model set-up scripts, validation scripts, and supporting database so that application of the hydrodynamic model to additional water years, between WY2000 and present, is fairly straightforward – at this point, each additional water year should take only a couple of weeks to set up and validate.

2.2 Model Platform and Performance

The hydrodynamic model platform is Delft3D-FM (DFM), the flexible-mesh three-dimensional hydrodynamic model from Deltares. The model revision number used for these simulations is 64634, and the model is compiled from source code using GCC on a Linux workstation running Ubuntu 16.04LTS. The simulation is run in parallel using 16 cores (Intel Xeon E5-2680 2.40 GHz) communicating over MPI. The simulation is initialized on August 1, 2015 and run through September 30, 2016, spanning water year 2016 (WY2016: October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016) with two months of spin-up time and requires four days to run to completion.

2.3 Bathymetry and Model Grid

Our grid is the CASCaDE II model grid, version r18cee. This grid is identical to the one used in Martyr-Koller et al. (2017) and Vroom et al. (2017) with one exception: the ocean boundary has been straightened in order to eliminate a spurious plume that emanated from the curvy boundary in the original grid. The new grid is plotted in Figures 1 and 2.

2.4 Boundary Conditions

Boundary conditions are specified for the tidal ocean boundary, tributary inflows, withdrawals (i.e., pumps), the wind field, and surface heat exchange. Figure 4 shows the loca-

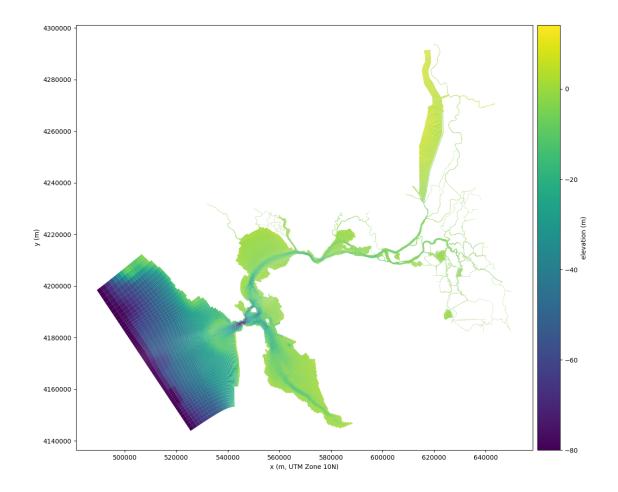


Figure 1: Model grid. Elevations are relative to MLLW.

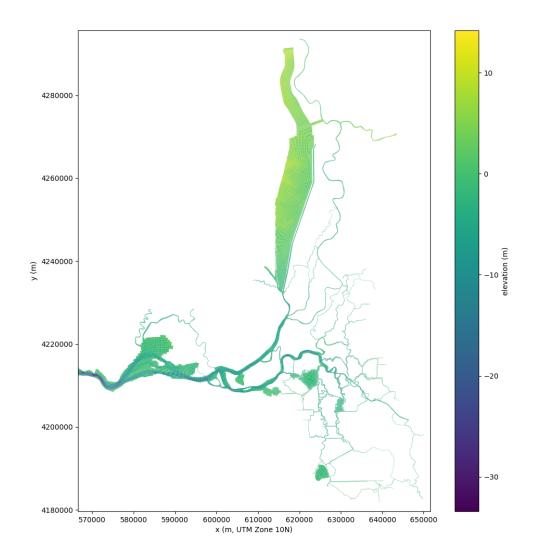


Figure 2: Delta-Suisun portion of the model grid. Elevations are relative to MLLW.

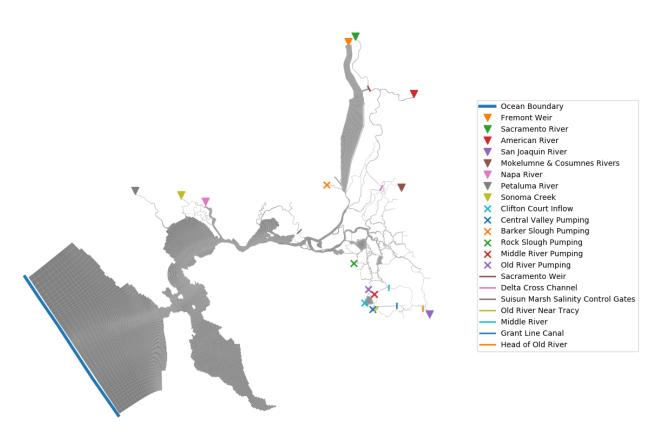


Figure 3: Boundary conditions and structures. The water surface elevation boundary at the ocean is plotted as a thick line; inflow boundaries are plotted as downward-pointing triangles; withdrawals are plotted with an "x"; gates and temporary barriers are plotted as thin lines.

tions of the ocean boundary, tributary inflows, and withdrawals (also showing the locations of structures discussed in Section 2.6).

2.4.1 Tidal Ocean Boundary

Water level, salinity, temperature, and momentum are specified at the ocean boundary. The location of the ocean boundary is shown in Figure 4. Water levels are based on hourly mesurements at NOAA CO-OPS Station 9415020 (Point Reyes). Salinity is based on daily measurements at the Farallon Islands Shore Stations Program (2019). Temperature is based on a data set derived from ROMS simulations and assimilated measurements along the California Coast (Neveu et al., 2016) as described in Vroom et al. (2017). Simulated temperatures were averaged on a daily basis over the period 1980-2010 to arrive at a temperature time history exhibiting typical seasonal patterns and appropriate for use in any water year. A zero-momentum boundary condition is imposed at the ocean boundary to suppress spurious currents.

2.4.2 Inflows

Locations of the inflow boundaries are shown in Figure 4 and data sources are given in Table 1. Flow rate, salinity, and temperature are specified at 15-minute intervals. While most inflows are based on gaged discharge, some inflow temperatures are not measured near the boundary, so temperature from a nearby tributary is used as a proxy. The only inflow for which nearby salinity measurements are available is the San Joaquin River – salinity is set to zero at all of the other inflow boundaries.

Table 1: Inflow boundary conditions. Prefix of model input files associated with each boundary condition is given in parentheses. Source of data for inflow, temperature, and salinity is given by station code or 0 where value is set to zero. Station codes are defined in Table 3.

| Inflow Boundary | Parameter | Data Source |
|-------------------|-------------|--|
| Fremont Weir | inflow | YBY (CCY when YBY $<1000 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$) |
| (fremontweir) | temperature | VON |
| | salinity | 0 |
| Sacramento River | inflow | VON |
| (sacverona) | temperature | VON |
| | salinity | 0 |
| American River | inflow | AFO |
| (amriv) | temperature | AWB |
| | salinity | 0 |
| San Joaquin River | inflow | VNS |
| (sanjoa) | temperature | MSD |
| | salinity | MSD |
| Mokelumne & | inflow | MOKW + MHB |
| Consumnes Rivers | temperature | SMR (gaps filled with VON) |
| (mok) | salinity | 0 |
| Napa River | inflow | NAP |
| (napa) | temperature | VON |
| | salinity | 0 |
| Petaluma River | inflow | PETA |
| (pet) | temperature | VON |
| | salinity | 0 |
| Sonoma Creek | inflow | AGUA |
| (sonoma) | temperature | VON |
| | salinity | 0 |

2.4.3 Withdrawals

Five pumping stations are included in the model as withdrawals as illustrated in Figure 4. Daily average pumping rates were either obtained from DAYFLOW or from correspondence with Stacy Smith at United States Bureau of Reclamation. Data sources are specified in Table 2. Smith provided QA/QC'd daily data corresponding to the CDEC stations listed in Table 2.

| Withdrawal | Data Source |
|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Clifton Court Inflow (CC) | DAYFLOW-SWP |
| Central Valley Pumping (tracy) | DAYFLOW-CVP |
| Barker Slough Pumping (nbaq) | DAYFLOW-NBAQ |
| | CDEC/USBR-INB |
| Middle River Pumping (ccwd) | CDEC/USBR-CCW |
| Old River Pumping (idbpump) | CDEC/USBR-IDB |

Table 2: Withdrawals. Prefix of model input files associated with each withdrawal is given in parentheses.

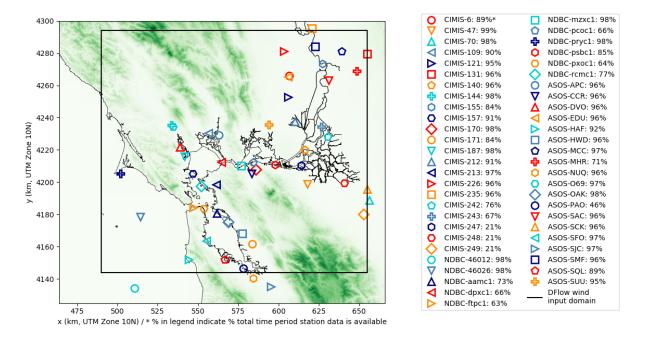


Figure 4: Locations of 52 wind stations used to interpolate 10-m wind speeds onto the 1.5 km \times 1.5 km grid. Extent of the grid is plotted as a black box. Percentage of WY2016 in which wind speeds were available from each station is shown in the legend.

2.4.4 Wind Field

Wind stress over the water surface is calculated within DFlow3D-FM from 10-m wind speeds, which we specify hourly on a 1.5 km \times 1.5 km grid spanning the Bay and Delta. The CASCaDE II project utilized the Ludwig wind model (Ludwig et al., 1991; Ludwig and Sinton, 2000) to generate these 10-m winds. We have instead used the SFEI_Wind package documented in King (2019). SFEI_Wind interpolates winds measured at 52 stations around the Bay and Delta and improves predictions of wind speed by $\sim 30\%$ compared to the Ludwig model.

2.4.5 Surface Heat Exchange

The heat flux model within DFlow3D-FM calculates heat exchange from relative humidity, air temperature, and cloudiness. For our model, these quantities are specified hourly on a 5 km \times 5 km grid. Vroom et al. (2017) used the gridMET/METDATA reanalysis product (Abatzoglou, 2011) and the Livneh temperature data set (Livneh et al., 2015) to estimate these quantities. We also use the gridMET data set, but since the Livneh data set ends in 2013, we instead used air temperatures measured at the 52 wind stations in the SFELWind package. gridMET gives daily average specific humidity and solar radiation at the earth surface across the contiguous United States. gridMET and air temperature data are interpolated onto the 5 km \times 5 km grid using the natural neighbor method.

To estimate cloudiness (C) from solar radiation (Q), we invert the formula used in Delft3D-FM to compute solar radiation from cloudiness, arriving at:

$$C = \frac{-0.4 + \sqrt{1.68 - 1.52\frac{Q_s}{Q_{cs}}}}{0.76} \times 100\%$$
(1)

where Q_{cs} is clear sky solar radiation. Q_{cs} is calculated following the Delft3D-FM User Manual (Deltares, 2019, Section 11.2). We compute relative humidity (*RH*) from specific humidity (*q*) and air temperature (T_a) using the formula

$$RH = 0.263 P_{atm} q \exp\left(-\frac{17.67 T_a}{T_a + 243.5}\right)$$
(2)

where atmospheric pressure is set to $P_{atm} = 101300$ Pa. Relative humidity is bounded to the range $0\% \le RH \le 100\%$. Note our formula for cloudiness is different from the Vroom et al. (2017) formula for cloudiness, which was incorrect.

2.5 Initial Conditions

Initial conditions are identical to those described in Martyr-Koller et al. (2017). Spatially varying top and bottom salinity are specified based on historical measurements, and temperatures are initialized at 15°C.

2.6 Structures

2.6.1 Permanent Structures

Three permanent structures are included in the model: Sacramento Weir, Delta Cross Channel, and the Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Gates. Locations of these structures are shown in Figure 4. These structures are implemented as "damlevel"'s within DFlow3D-FM. A thin dam spans the width of the channel, and its height is specified as a function of time. When the structure is open, the dam height is set to the minimum elevation along the open structure. When the structure is closed, the dam height is set to a level comfortably higher than the water level.

The damlevel implementation is not ideal as it will result in incorrect transient behavior, but provided the dam height when open is equal to the lowest point along the open structure, the steady-state solution will be correct. In future versions of the model, implementation of the permaent structures may be improved by use of the "general structure" in DFlow3D-FM, which would allow us to tune the hydraulic behavior to a rating curve.

For Sacramento Weir and Delta Cross Channel, it is possible to see if the weir/gates are open by observing discharge measurements downstream of the structure (station SWTY for Sacramento Weir and station DLC for Delta Cross Channel). When discharge measurements are available, the structure is set to the open position, and when discharge measurements are not available, the structure is set to the closed position.

For Suisun Gates, operations are more complicated. When in operation, the gates are used as a salinity pump – they are closed on flood tide and openend on ebb tide (Enright, 2008), allowing fresh water into Montezuma Slough and blocking salty water from entering. The operations log for the gates is published online by CA Department of Water Resources: each of the three gates is listed as either "open", "closed", or "operational" on a given date. Additionally the stop logs may be "in" or "out". However, when the gates are operational, the details of the operations are not given. In order to simulate operations during operational periods, we use the gage height measured at station CSE (Collinsville), near the entrance to Montezuma Slough, removing the tidally filtered signal to obtain the tidal residual gage height. The gates are opened when the tidal residual gage height is negative and closed when tidal residual gage height is positive. Since high tide and flood tide are correlated at CSE, this effectively closes the gates on flood tide and opens the gates on ebb tide. N. Knowles and L. Lucas of USGS are credited with developing this scheme.

2.6.2 Temporary Barriers

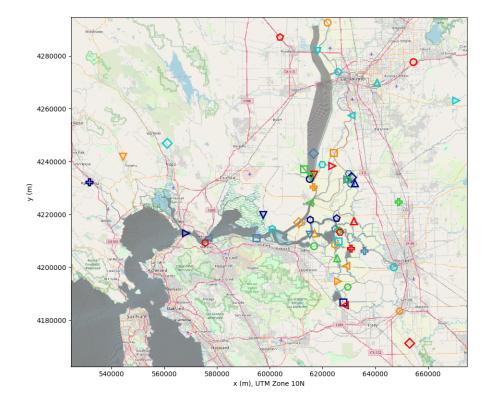
In addition to the permanent structures, there are four temporary barriers included in the model. These are shown in Figure 4. The temporary barriers are implemented by CA Department of Water Resources and their operating schedule is published online. The barriers are a mix of permanent structures and piles of rocks that are moved between the channel and shore seasonally. Like the permanent structures, the temporary barriers are implemented as "damlevel"'s in Delft3D-FM, with the open height set to the lowest point along the structure at a given time. As there are a mix of flashboard structures, culverts, and gaps in the piles of rocks, this elevation changes with the specifics of operations. Engineering drawings (CA Department of Water Resources, 2018) were used to evaluate elevations corresponding to different operational states, with input from Jacob McQuirk (DWR).

2.7 Bed Friction

The main result of the CASCaDE II WY2011-WY2012 calibration conducted by Martyr-Koller et al. (2017) was a spatially varying Manning coefficient used as input to the Delft3D-FM model. The calibration period was March 1, 2000 through September 30, 2000. By decreasing the Manning coefficient in the main channel, Martyr-Koller et al. (2017) was able to better predict vertical salinity stratification in Suisun Bay, San Pablo Bay, and Central Bay. A map of the spatially varying Manning coefficient can be found in Martyr-Koller et al. (2017, Figure A.10).

3 Building Observation Database for Model Set-up and Validation

In the Delta and San Francisco Bay there are more than 80 stations where continuous high-frequency (15 min to 1 hour) data are collected by various organizations including United States Geological Survey (USGS), California Department of Water Resources (DWR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), and United States Bureau of Reclamation (USBR). Parameters measured at these sites include those relevant to hydro-dynamics (e.g., discharge, gage height, temperature, and conductivity/salinity) as well as water quality parameters (e.g., dissolved oxygen, nitrate and nitrite, pH, turbidity/specific conductivity, and fluorescence from chlorophyll, pyhcocyanin, and dissolved organic matter). These abundant data resources are useful for model development, but utilizing all of these data comes with significant data management overhead. To streamline the data management process, we incorporated hydrodynamic and water quality data from USGS and DWR into a SQL database. Continuous data were originally loaded into the database in a batch from 2000 through mid-2018 and subsequently have been automatically updated nightly. In Table 3 we list stations where hydrodynamic parameters are measured. The station locations are shown in Figures 5 and 6.



| AFO | - 4 - | MOKW |
|------|---|--|
| AGUA | 0 | MRZ |
| AWB | 0 | MSD |
| BENI | \diamond | NAP |
| CARQ | Ó | NMR |
| CASL | | NSL |
| CCY | Δ | OBI |
| CS | ⊲ | ODM |
| CSE | | OH4 |
| DCC | | ORQ |
| DLC | 0 | OSJ |
| DSJ | - 4 - | PETA |
| DWS | 0 | PPT |
| FAL | 0 | PRI |
| FPT | \diamond | RV |
| GES | Ŏ | SJG |
| GLC | ∇ | SJJ |
| GSS | Δ | SMR |
| HLT | \triangleleft | SRV |
| HOL | | SSS |
| HWB | | SUT |
| LCT | 0 | SWTY |
| ШB | - 4 - | TRN |
| LIBP | 0 | TSL |
| LPS | 0 | VCU |
| MDM | \diamond | VCU VNS |
| MHB | Ŏ | VON |
| MLD | | YBY |
| MOK | | |
| | AGUA AWB BENI CARQ CARQ CCS DCC DLC DLC DLC DLC DLC DLC DLC GSS GLC GSS GLC GSS GLC GSS HLT HUB HUB LUS LUBP LUBP LUBP LUBP MDM MHB | AGUA AWB O BENI CCARQ CASL CCY CS CSE DCC CSE DCC CSE DCC CSE DCC CSE DWS O FAL O GES GLC GSS GLC GSS GLC GSS GLC GSS HLT O HWB HD LPS MDM MHB MLD V |

Figure 5: Data stations.

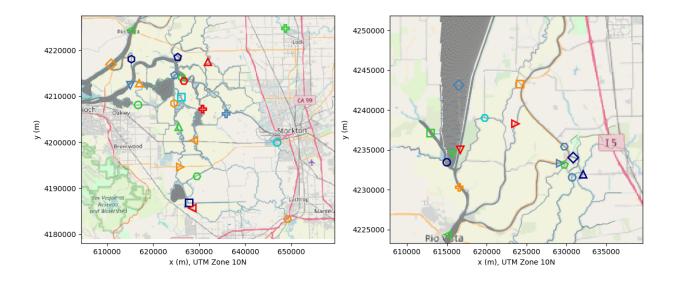


Figure 6: Data stations – zoomed in.

Table 3: List of stations in the SQL database. Parameters include discharge (D), gage height (G), specific conductivity (S), and temperature (T). Station coordinates (x, y) are in UTM Zone 10N, WGS84.

| Q4 - 4 | | | | 1 | 1 | |
|-----------------|---|------------------------|-----------------|--------|--------------------|------------|
| Station Code | Site Description | Organization | Station Code | | | Parameters |
| | American R A Fair Oaks | 0 | | x (m) | y (m) | |
| AFO AGUA | | USGS-NWIS | 11446500 | | 4277827 | |
| AGUA | Sonoma C A Agua Caliente | USGS-NWIS USGS-NWIS | | | 4241811 4269985 | |
| | American R BL Watt Ave Bridge | | | | | |
| BENI | Suisun Bay A Benicia Bridge Nr Benicia | USGS-NWIS | 11455780 | | 4211168 | |
| CARQ | Carquinez Strait A Carquinez Br Nr Crockett | USGS-NWIS | 11455820 | | 4212910 | |
| CASL | Cache Slough Nr Hastings Tract Nr Rio Vista | USGS-NWIS | | | 4237177 | |
| CCY | Cache Creek at Yolo | USGS-NWIS | 11452500 | | 4287183 | , |
| CS | Cache Slough | USGS-Biogeo | | | | D, G, S, T |
| CSE | Sacramento River at Mallard Island | DWR | CSE | | 4214649 | |
| DCC | Delta Cross Channel | USGS-Biogeo | | | | D, G, S, T |
| DLC | Delta Cross Channel Btw Sac R & Snodgras | USGS-NWIS | 11336600 | | 4234055 | |
| DSJ | Dutch Slough At Jersey Island | USGS-NWIS | 11313433 | | | D, G, S, T |
| DWS | Deep Water Shipping Channel | USGS-NWIS | 11455335 | | 4235072 | |
| | | USGS-Biogeo | | | 4235072 | |
| FAL | False River Near Oakley | USGS-NWIS | 11313440 | | 4212867 | |
| FPT | Sacramento River at Freeport | USGS-Biogeo | | | | D, G, S, T |
| GES | Sacramento River Below Georgiana Slough | USGS-NWIS | | | | D, G, S, T |
| GLC | Grantline Canal | USGS-NWIS | | | 4186837 | |
| GSS | Georgiana Slough At Sacramento River | USGS-NWIS | | | | D, G, S, T |
| HLT | Middle River Near Holt | USGS-NWIS | | | 4207193 | |
| HOL | Holland Cut Near Bethel Island | | 11313431 | | 4208538 | |
| HWB | Miner Slough At Hwy 84 Bridge | USGS-NWIS | 11455165 | | | D, G, S, T |
| LCT | Liberty Cut | USGS-Biogeo | | | 4243142 | |
| LIB | Cache Slough at Liberty Island | USGS-Biogeo | | | | D, G, S, T |
| LIBP | Liberty Island Nr Prospect Island Nr Rio Vista | USGS-NWIS | 381504121404001 | | 4234503 | |
| LPS | Little Potato Slough at Terminous | USGS-NWIS | 11336790 | 631878 | 4217534 | D, G, S, T |
| MDM | Middle River at Middle River | USGS-NWIS | 11312676 | 628813 | 4200504 | D, G |
| MHB | Cosumnes R A Michigan Bar | USGS-NWIS | 11335000 | 670551 | 4263137 | D, G, T |
| MLD | Mallard Island | DWR | MAL | | 4211112 | |
| MOK | Mokelumne R @ San Joaquin River | USGS-NWIS | 11336930 | | 4218540 | |
| MOKW | Mokelumne R A Woodbridge | USGS-NWIS | 11325500 | | 4224774 | |
| MRZ | Martinez | DWR | MRZ | 575435 | 4209230 | S, Т |
| MSD | Mossdale | DWR | MSD | 649165 | 4183423 | S, Т |
| NAP | Napa R Nr Napa | USGS-NWIS | 11458000 | 560955 | 4246913 | D, G |
| NMR | North Mokelumne R at W Walnut Grove Rd | USGS-NWIS | 11336685 | 630686 | 4231611 | D, G, S, T |
| NSL | Montezuma Slough at National Steel | DWR | NSL | 597456 | 4219938 | D, T |
| OBI | Old River at Bacon Island | USGS-NWIS | 11313405 | 625516 | 4203449 | D, G |
| ODM | Old River at Delta Mendota Canal | USGS-NWIS | 11312968 | 628429 | 4185737 | D, G |
| OH4 | Old River at Highway 4 | USGS-NWIS | 11313315 | 625826 | 4194686 | D, G |
| ORQ | Old River @ Quimbly Is Near Bethel Is | USGS-NWIS | 11313434 | 626033 | 4209783 | D, G |
| OSJ | Old River at Franks Tract Near Terminous | USGS-NWIS | 11313452 | 624642 | 4214645 | D, G |
| PETA | Petaluma R A Copland Pumping Station A Petaluma | USGS-NWIS | 11459150 | 531577 | 4232320 | D, G |
| PPT | Prisoner Point | DWR | PPT | 626142 | 4214114 | S, Т |
| PRI | San Joaquin R at Prisoners Pt Nr Termino | USGS-NWIS | 11313460 | 626593 | 4213344 | D, G, S, T |
| RV | Rio Vista at Decker Island | USGS-Biogeo | 11455478 | | 4216924 | |
| SJG | San Joaquin R Bl Garwood Bridge a Stockton Ca | USGS-NWIS | 11304810 | | | D, G, S, T |
| SJJ | San Joaquin River at Jersey Point | USGS-NWIS | | | | D, G, S, T |
| SMR | South Mokelumne R at W Walnut Grove Rd | USGS-NWIS | | | 4231967 | |
| SRV | Sacramento River at Rio Vista | USGS-NWIS | | | | D, G, S, T |
| SSS | Steamboat Slough Nr Walnut Grove | USGS-NWIS | | | | D, G, S, T |
| SUT | Sutter Slough A Courtland | USGS-NWIS | | | 4243292 | |
| SWTY | Sacramento Weir Spill to Yolo Bypass | USGS-NWIS | | | 4274151 | |
| TRN | Turner Cut Near Holt | | | | 4206165 | |
| TSL | Threemile Slough at San Joaquin River | USGS-NWIS | 11337080 | | 4218058 | |
| VCU | Victoria Canal Near Byron | USGS-NWIS | | | 4192634 | |
| VNS | San Joaquin R Nr Vernalis | USGS-NWIS | | | 4171295 | |
| VON | Sacramento R A Verona | USGS-NWIS | 11425500 | | | D, G, S, T |
| YBY | Yolo Bypass Nr Woodland | USGS-NWIS | | | 4281894 | |
| | | | | 010000 | | , _, _ |

4 Results

4.1 Validation Statistics

The model is validated by comparing time series of modeled and observed discharge, gage height, salinity, and temperature at measurement stations across the Delta and Suisun Bay. At this point we do not show results for gage height because we are still in the process of determining the vertical datum at all of the stations.

Let o_i denote an observed value at time i, and let m_i denote the corresponding modeled value at time i. Let an overbar indicate the mean over all time, e.g., \overline{o} is the mean observed signal. We define the following validation statistics:

Lag is the time shift by which the best correlation between observed and modeled data is obtained. A positive lag indicates the model is behind the observations, and a negative lag indicates the model is ahead of the observations. We limit the lag to \pm 6 hours. The lag-corrected model signal is denoted m'_i .

Bias is defined as $\overline{m_i - o_i}$, the mean difference between modeled and observed data.

RMSE is the abbreviation for "root mean square error" and is here defined as

$$\sqrt{\overline{(m_i'-o_i-\overline{m_i'-o_i})^2}},$$

equal to the square root of the variance of the difference between modeled and observed data, where the modeled data has been corrected for lag.

Skill is calculated according to the formula proposed by Willmott (1981):

$$1 - \frac{\sum_{i} (m'_{i} - o_{i})^{2}}{\sum_{i} (|m'_{i} - \overline{o}| + |o_{i} - \overline{o}|)^{2}}.$$

Note the modeled data are corrected for lag before computing skill.

R2 is defined as the coefficient of determination for the best-fit line between o_i and m'_i , i.e. between the observed signal and the lag-corrected modeled signal.

Tidal Amplitude Ratio is defined as the slope of the best-fit line between the observed and lag-corrected modeled signal, where the tidally filtered component of both signals has been removed.

To obtain the tidally filtered signal, we use a 6th order low-pass Butterworth filter with a cutoff frequency of 30 hours. A tidally averaged signal is obtained by resampling the tidally filtered signal on a daily basis. Validation statistics are also calculated for the tidally averaged observed and modeled signal, and in this case no lag correction is performed, and neither lag nor tidal amplitude ratio is reported.

In Tables 4 through 9 we present validation statistics for unfiltered and tidally averaged discharge, salinity, and temperature at stations across the Delta, Suisun Bay, and Carquinez Strait. In Figures 7 through 12 we show maps of these same statistics.

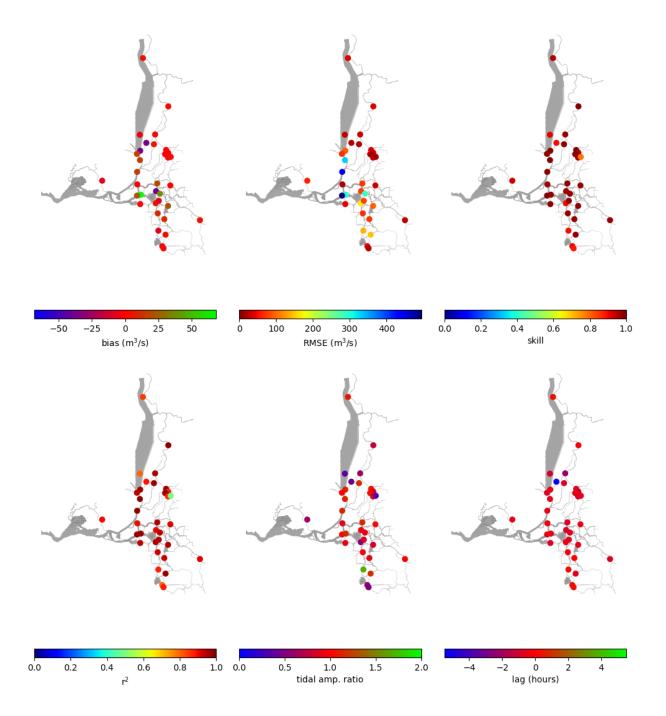


Figure 7: Validation statistics for unfiltered discharge.

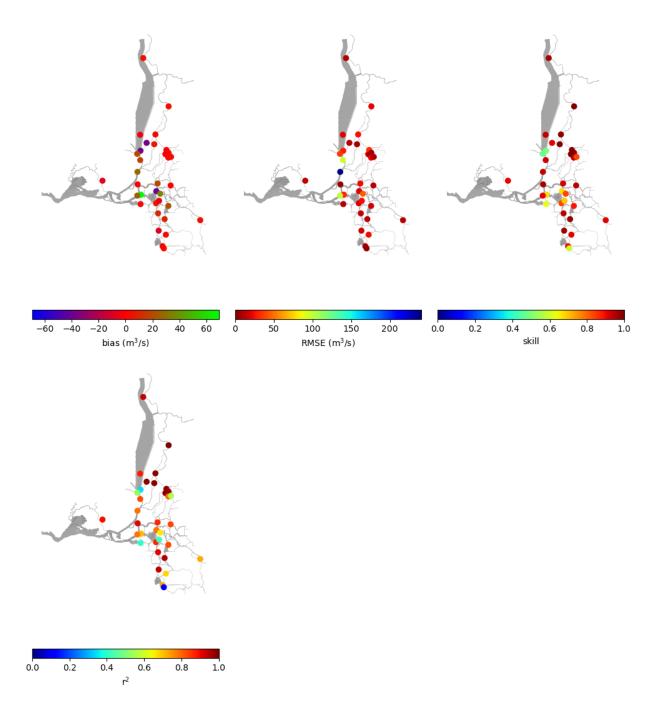


Figure 8: Validation statistics for tidally averaged discharge.

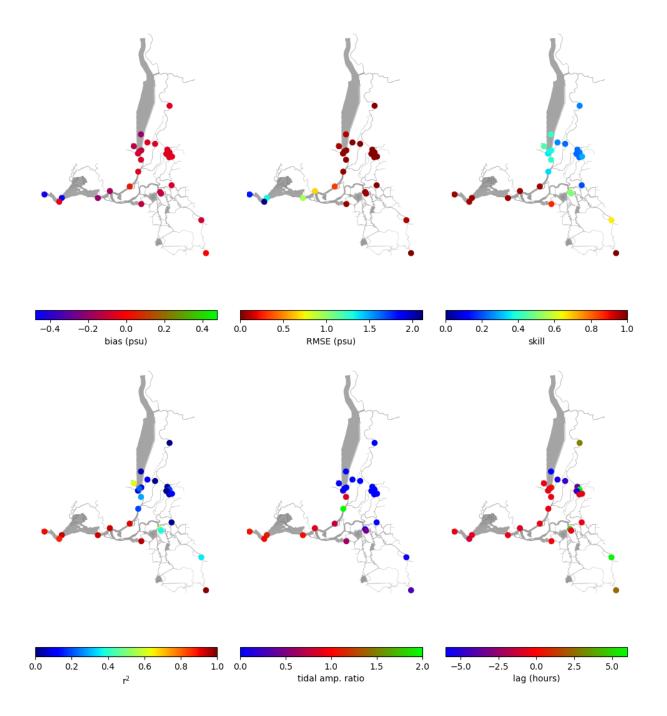


Figure 9: Validation statistics for unfiltered salinity.

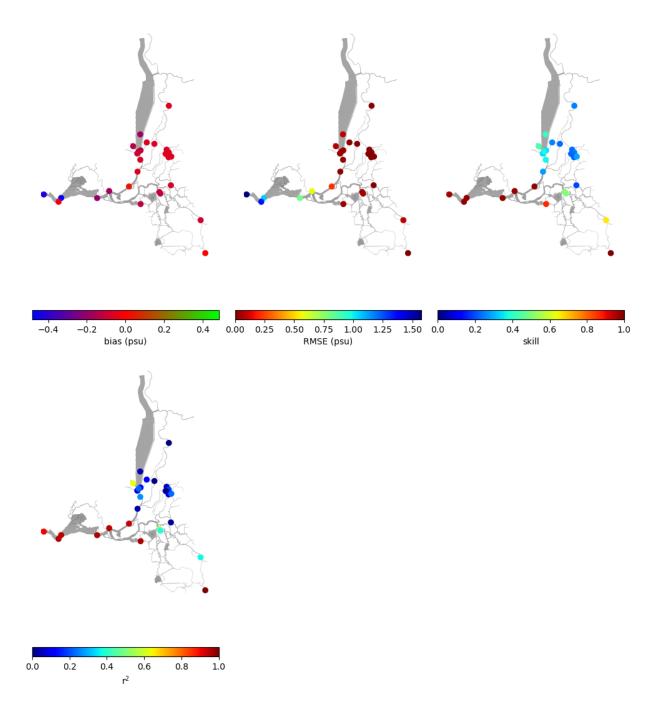


Figure 10: Validation statistics for tidally averaged salinity.

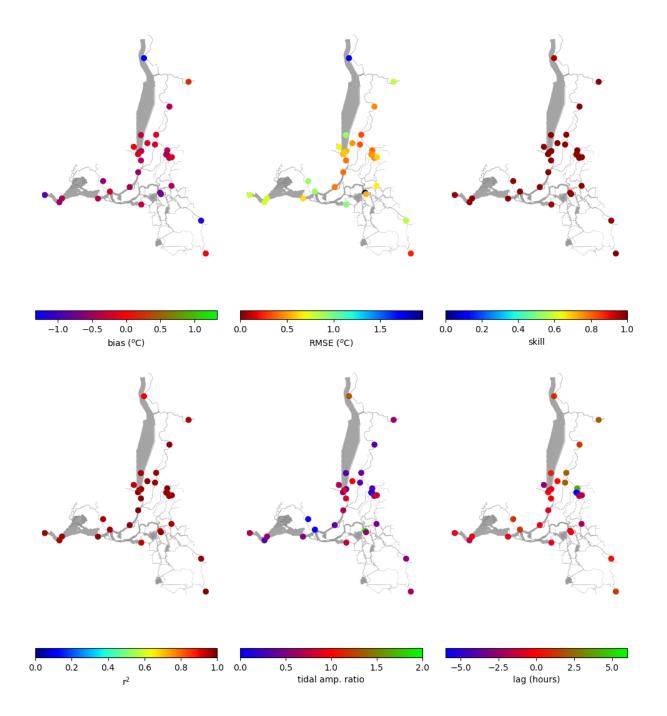


Figure 11: Validation statistics for unfiltered temperature.

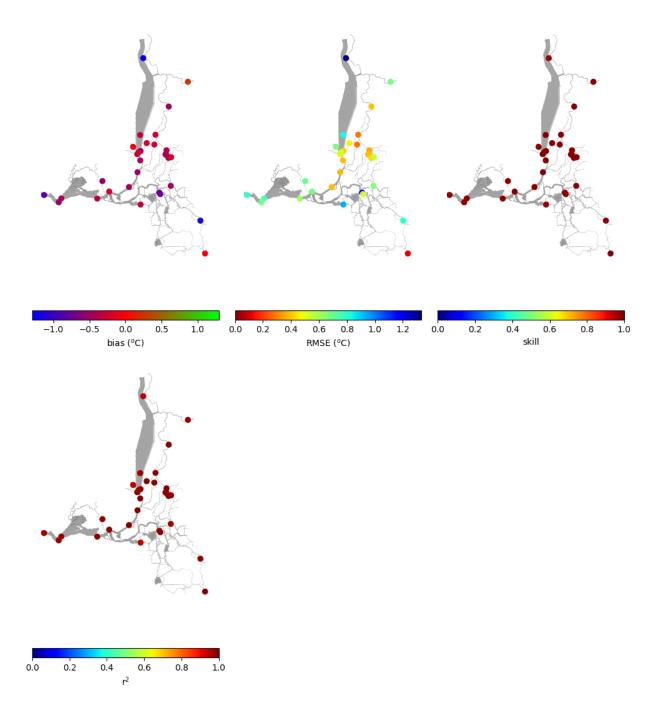


Figure 12: Validation statistics for tidally averaged temperature.

| | Mean | Mean | St. Dev. | | | | | | Tidal |
|---------|-----------|------|-----------|-----------|-------|-------|------|------|-------|
| | Obs. | Mod. | Obs. | Bias | RMSE | | | Lag | Amp. |
| Station | (m^3/s) | | (m^3/s) | (m^3/s) | | Skill | R2 | | Ratio |
| CS | 67 | 52 | 1767 | 15.3 | 332.7 | 0.99 | | -30 | 1.12 |
| DCC | 326 | 326 | 242 | -0.2 | 38.8 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -30 | 1.06 |
| DLC | 112 | 107 | 92 | 4.9 | 33.4 | 0.96 | 0.87 | -75 | 0.82 |
| DSJ | -3 | -5 | 180 | 1.4 | 42.5 | 0.98 | 0.94 | -45 | 0.92 |
| DWS | -0 | 36 | 442 | -36.3 | 91.9 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -30 | 1.10 |
| FAL | 14 | -54 | 1109 | 68.3 | 298.0 | 0.98 | 0.97 | -30 | 1.19 |
| FPT | 539 | 536 | 426 | 3.6 | 38.7 | 1.00 | 0.99 | -15 | 0.79 |
| GES | 174 | 178 | 226 | -3.2 | 42.7 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -45 | 1.01 |
| GLC | 15 | 14 | 91 | 1.8 | 45.7 | 0.91 | 0.80 | 15 | 0.59 |
| GSS | 98 | 99 | 65 | -0.9 | 11.2 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -30 | 1.09 |
| HLT | -51 | -73 | 389 | 22.1 | 95.7 | 0.98 | 0.95 | -30 | 0.84 |
| HOL | -11 | -17 | 348 | 6.0 | 167.4 | 0.90 | 0.96 | -30 | 0.53 |
| HWB | 46 | 84 | 62 | -37.1 | 22.8 | 0.90 | 0.89 | -330 | 0.44 |
| LCT | 5 | 10 | 58 | -4.1 | 28.5 | 0.91 | 0.80 | -60 | 0.37 |
| LIB | -16 | -33 | 290 | 17.1 | 69.0 | 0.99 | 0.95 | -45 | 1.01 |
| LPS | 51 | 52 | 110 | -0.7 | 32.9 | 0.98 | 0.92 | -30 | 1.03 |
| MDM | -64 | -76 | 293 | 11.2 | 72.1 | 0.98 | 0.94 | 0 | 0.92 |
| MOK | 118 | 98 | 266 | 20.3 | 71.6 | 0.98 | 0.96 | -45 | 1.16 |
| NMR | 59 | 56 | 83 | 3.1 | 30.4 | 0.96 | 0.86 | -60 | 0.87 |
| NSL | 9 | 17 | 137 | -8.0 | 57.9 | 0.93 | 0.90 | -30 | 0.63 |
| OBI | -40 | -51 | 257 | 11.5 | 67.4 | 0.98 | 0.93 | -15 | 0.96 |
| ODM | 5 | 2 | 43 | 2.2 | 22.2 | 0.88 | 0.88 | 15 | 0.52 |
| OH4 | -81 | -73 | 159 | -7.7 | 137.6 | 0.90 | 0.88 | 15 | 1.69 |
| ORQ | -29 | -22 | 318 | -7.1 | 80.4 | 0.98 | 0.95 | -30 | 0.84 |
| OSJ | -36 | 3 | 242 | -39.0 | 75.2 | 0.97 | 0.90 | -45 | 0.95 |
| PRI | -22 | -60 | 1278 | 37.8 | 286.3 | 0.99 | 0.95 | -45 | 0.92 |
| SJG | 11 | 8 | 74 | 3.3 | 21.7 | 0.98 | 0.92 | -45 | 1.00 |
| SJJ | 109 | 86 | 3064 | 23.5 | 494.0 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -30 | 1.05 |
| SMR | 21 | 18 | 27 | 3.5 | 19.2 | 0.79 | 0.49 | -30 | 0.35 |
| SRV | 429 | 413 | 2248 | 15.8 | 448.1 | 0.99 | 0.99 | -30 | 1.14 |
| SSS | 105 | 98 | 112 | 7.0 | 19.9 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -45 | 1.17 |
| SUT | 124 | 123 | 99 | 1.2 | 31.3 | 0.98 | 0.96 | -135 | 0.62 |
| TRN | -21 | -21 | 62 | -0.5 | 19.5 | 0.97 | 0.90 | -15 | 0.90 |
| TSL | -43 | -46 | 603 | 2.9 | 148.2 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -45 | 1.17 |
| VCU | -39 | -44 | 95 | 4.9 | 41.6 | 0.96 | 0.85 | 15 | 1.09 |
| YBY | 28 | 28 | 180 | -0.0 | 4.7 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 240 | 0.47 |

Table 4: Validation statistics for unfiltered discharge.

| | Mean | Moon | St. Dev. | | | | |
|------------|-----------------|--------------------|-----------|-------------------|-------|--------------|------|
| | Obs. | Mod. | Obs. | Bing | RMSE | | |
| Station | | (m^3/s) | (m^3/s) | (m^3/s) | | Skill | R2 |
| CS | (III / S) 69 | $\frac{(117)}{52}$ | 160 | 17.4 | 97.4 | 0.93 | |
| DCC | 326 | 326 | 222 | -0.1 | 33.1 | 0.93 | |
| DLC | 113 | | 37 | | 6.9 | 0.99 | |
| DLC | -4 | 108 -6 | 14 | $\frac{4.4}{2.3}$ | 11.1 | 0.99 | |
| DWS | -4 | -0 | 35 | -37.6 | 29.1 | 0.03 0.50 | |
| FAL | 14 | | 57 | -57.0 | | | |
| FAL FPT | 540 | -55 535 | 414 | | | | |
| | | | | 4.1 | 22.6 | 1.00 | |
| GES | 175 | 178 | 183 | -2.8 | 27.6 | 0.99 | |
| GLC | 16 | 14 | 19 | 1.7 | 10.2 | 0.89 | |
| GSS | 98 | 98 | 63 | -0.7 | 7.4 | 1.00 | |
| HLT | -50 | -72 | 41 | 21.6 | 17.0 | 0.89 | |
| HOL | -10 | -16 | 31 | 5.7 | 18.0 | 0.84 | |
| HWB | 47 | 83 | 57 | -36.4 | 10.6 | 0.91 | 0.99 |
| LCT | 5 | 9 | 52 | -3.9 | 21.5 | 0.94 | |
| LIB | -17 | -37 | 43 | 20.4 | 37.2 | | |
| LPS | 51 | 52 | 28 | -0.7 | 11.5 | 0.95 | 0.84 |
| MDM | -64 | -74 | 55 | 10.5 | 11.7 | 0.98 | |
| MOK | 118 | 98 | 64 | 20.3 | 23.9 | 0.93 | |
| NMR | 57 | 54 | 49 | 2.8 | 22.9 | 0.94 | |
| NSL | 9 | 16 | 30 | -7.6 | 13.2 | 0.91 | 0.90 |
| OBI | -39 | -50 | 47 | 11.1 | 14.9 | 0.95 | |
| ODM | 5 | 3 | 3 | 1.8 | 3.5 | 0.60 | |
| OH4 | -81 | -72 | 55 | -8.7 | 16.5 | 0.98 | |
| ORQ | -32 | -27 | 33 | -5.0 | 25.2 | 0.70 | 0.42 |
| OSJ | -36 | 5 | 38 | -40.5 | 20.0 | 0.67 | 0.79 |
| PRI | -21 | -58 | 79 | 36.3 | 45.9 | 0.84 | 0.66 |
| SJG | 11 | 8 | 23 | 3.6 | 12.2 | 0.92 | 0.73 |
| SJJ | 113 | 87 | 207 | 25.6 | 100.6 | 0.91 | 0.79 |
| SMR | 21 | 17 | 15 | 3.7 | 9.9 | 0.84 | 0.56 |
| SRV | 419 | 391 | 524 | 28.0 | 241.0 | 0.94 | 0.79 |
| SSS | 105 | 98 | 94 | 7.2 | 9.3 | 1.00 | 0.99 |
| SUT | 124 | 122 | 96 | 1.6 | 26.2 | 0.99 | 0.99 |
| TRN | -21 | -20 | 15 | -0.9 | 4.8 | 0.97 | 0.92 |
| TSL | -43 | -45 | 41 | 2.2 | 24.0 | 0.91 | 0.68 |
| VCU | -39 | -43 | 35 | 4.2 | 11.2 | | 0.94 |
| YBY | 28 | 28 | 179 | -0.1 | 18.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 |

Table 5: Validation statistics for tidally averaged discharge.

| | Mean | Mean | St. Dev. | | | | | | Tidal |
|---------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| | Obs. | Mod. | Obs. | Bias | RMSE | | | Lag | Amp. |
| Station | (psu) | (psu) | (psu) | (psu) | (psu) | Skill | R2 | (min) | Ratio |
| BENI | 12.78 | 13.25 | 5.36 | -0.48 | 1.33 | 0.98 | 0.94 | -30 | 1.12 |
| CARQ | 18.61 | 19.04 | 5.64 | -0.43 | 1.80 | 0.97 | 0.90 | -30 | 1.08 |
| CASL | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.08 | -0.13 | 0.07 | 0.44 | 0.62 | -30 | 0.02 |
| CS | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.03 | -0.07 | 0.03 | 0.40 | 0.29 | -30 | 0.87 |
| CSE | 2.15 | 2.31 | 2.39 | -0.16 | 0.67 | 0.98 | 0.93 | -45 | 0.90 |
| DCC | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.02 | -225 | 0.00 |
| DLC | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.19 | 360 | 0.00 |
| DSJ | 0.13 | 0.25 | 0.18 | -0.13 | 0.04 | 0.87 | 0.95 | -15 | 0.62 |
| DWS | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.06 | -0.13 | 0.05 | 0.39 | 0.06 | 45 | 0.00 |
| FPT | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.00 | 180 | 0.00 |
| GES | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.03 | -60 | 0.00 |
| GSS | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.00 | -360 | 0.00 |
| HWB | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.10 | -315 | 0.01 |
| LCT | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.09 | -0.19 | 0.09 | 0.41 | 0.04 | -360 | 0.00 |
| LIB | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.03 | -0.08 | 0.03 | 0.35 | 0.07 | -45 | 0.14 |
| LIBP | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.04 | -0.10 | 0.04 | 0.37 | 0.22 | -15 | 0.01 |
| LPS | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.01 | -30 | 0.00 |
| MLD | 4.15 | 4.34 | 3.63 | -0.19 | 0.94 | 0.98 | 0.94 | -30 | 1.05 |
| MRZ | 12.95 | 12.98 | 6.00 | -0.03 | 2.11 | 0.97 | 0.88 | -75 | 0.98 |
| MSD | 0.29 | 0.29 | 0.11 | -0.00 | 0.01 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 150 | 0.30 |
| NMR | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.05 | -45 | 0.00 |
| PPT | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.07 | -0.11 | 0.05 | 0.53 | 0.54 | 255 | 0.12 |
| PRI | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.06 | -0.11 | 0.05 | 0.50 | 0.37 | -30 | 0.46 |
| RV | 0.69 | 0.64 | 1.09 | 0.05 | 0.32 | 0.98 | 0.92 | -30 | 0.78 |
| SJG | 0.21 | 0.29 | 0.10 | -0.09 | 0.09 | 0.66 | 0.36 | 345 | 0.07 |
| SMR | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.01 | -0.05 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.11 | -30 | 0.00 |
| SRV | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.02 | -0.06 | 0.04 | 0.34 | 0.19 | -30 | 2.70 |
| SSS | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.00 | -285 | 0.00 |

Table 6: Validation statistics for unfiltered salinity.

| | Mean | Mean | St. Dev. | | | | |
|---------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-------|------|
| | Obs. | Mod. | Obs. | Bias | RMSE | | |
| Station | (psu) | (psu) | (psu) | (psu) | (psu) | Skill | R2 |
| BENI | 12.79 | 13.27 | 4.61 | -0.48 | 1.06 | 0.98 | 0.95 |
| CARQ | 18.60 | 19.02 | 5.09 | -0.42 | 1.58 | 0.97 | 0.90 |
| CASL | 0.00 | 0.13 | 0.08 | -0.13 | 0.07 | 0.44 | 0.63 |
| CS | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.02 | -0.07 | 0.03 | 0.37 | 0.27 |
| CSE | 2.14 | 2.31 | 2.24 | -0.17 | 0.58 | 0.98 | 0.95 |
| DCC | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.05 |
| DLC | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.18 |
| DSJ | 0.13 | 0.25 | 0.18 | -0.13 | 0.04 | 0.87 | 0.96 |
| DWS | 0.01 | 0.14 | 0.04 | -0.13 | 0.04 | 0.34 | 0.12 |
| FPT | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.25 | 0.00 |
| GES | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.05 |
| GSS | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.00 |
| HWB | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.26 | 0.11 |
| LCT | 0.01 | 0.20 | 0.09 | -0.19 | 0.09 | 0.41 | 0.05 |
| LIB | 0.01 | 0.09 | 0.02 | -0.08 | 0.03 | 0.34 | 0.08 |
| LIBP | 0.00 | 0.10 | 0.04 | -0.10 | 0.04 | 0.37 | 0.22 |
| LPS | 0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.19 | 0.02 |
| MLD | 4.15 | 4.35 | 3.38 | -0.20 | 0.81 | 0.98 | 0.96 |
| MRZ | 12.95 | 12.98 | 5.35 | -0.03 | 1.35 | 0.98 | 0.95 |
| MSD | 0.29 | 0.29 | 0.10 | 0.00 | 0.00 | 1.00 | 1.00 |
| NMR | 0.00 | 0.06 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.01 | 0.22 | 0.08 |
| PPT | 0.04 | 0.16 | 0.07 | -0.11 | 0.05 | 0.53 | 0.55 |
| PRI | 0.04 | 0.15 | 0.06 | -0.11 | 0.05 | 0.50 | 0.38 |
| RV | 0.68 | 0.64 | 0.89 | 0.04 | 0.22 | 0.98 | 0.94 |
| SJG | 0.21 | 0.29 | 0.10 | -0.09 | 0.08 | 0.66 | 0.37 |
| SMR | 0.00 | 0.05 | 0.01 | -0.05 | 0.01 | 0.29 | 0.23 |
| SRV | 0.01 | 0.08 | 0.01 | -0.06 | 0.02 | 0.28 | 0.04 |
| SSS | -0.00 | 0.07 | 0.01 | -0.07 | 0.01 | 0.23 | 0.00 |

Table 7: Validation statistics for tidally averaged salinity.

| | Mean | Mean | St. | Dev. | | | | | | Tidal |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|------|-------|-------|
| | Obs. | Mod. | | Obs. | Bias | RMSE | | | Lag | Amp. |
| Station | (^{o}C) | (^{o}C) | | (^{o}C) | (^{o}C) | (^{o}C) | Skill | R2 | (min) | Ratio |
| AWB | 14.9 | 14.7 | | 4.0 | 0.2 | 0.8 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 135 | 0.59 |
| BENI | 16.2 | 16.6 | | 3.6 | -0.4 | 0.8 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -15 | 0.59 |
| CARQ | 14.8 | 15.7 | | 3.7 | -0.9 | 0.8 | 0.98 | 0.97 | -45 | 0.68 |
| CASL | 18.9 | 19.0 | | 2.9 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 0.99 | 0.94 | -165 | 0.67 |
| CS | 16.4 | 16.8 | | 4.7 | -0.4 | 0.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 | -15 | 0.85 |
| CSE | 16.3 | 16.6 | | 4.4 | -0.2 | 0.9 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 75 | 0.04 |
| DCC | 16.0 | 16.4 | | 4.6 | -0.4 | 0.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 240 | 0.35 |
| DSJ | 19.7 | 20.0 | | 3.4 | -0.3 | 1.0 | 0.98 | 0.94 | -45 | 0.72 |
| DWS | 16.6 | 17.2 | | 4.7 | -0.6 | 0.5 | 0.99 | 0.99 | -30 | 0.25 |
| FPT | 15.8 | 16.3 | | 4.5 | -0.4 | 0.5 | 0.99 | 0.99 | 75 | 0.32 |
| GES | 17.9 | 18.4 | | 3.6 | -0.4 | 0.5 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -360 | 0.03 |
| GSS | 17.9 | 18.4 | | 3.6 | -0.5 | 0.5 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -360 | 0.09 |
| HWB | 16.2 | 16.4 | | 4.7 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 15 | 0.94 |
| LCT | 16.9 | 17.3 | | 5.2 | -0.3 | 0.9 | 0.99 | 0.97 | 60 | 0.30 |
| LIB | 16.5 | 16.8 | | 4.7 | -0.3 | 0.6 | 1.00 | 0.99 | 15 | 0.45 |
| LIBP | 18.7 | 18.9 | | 3.2 | -0.2 | 0.6 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -45 | 0.86 |
| LPS | 19.2 | 19.6 | | 3.8 | -0.4 | 0.7 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -120 | 0.47 |
| MLD | 16.3 | 16.6 | | 4.2 | -0.4 | 0.6 | 0.99 | 0.99 | -30 | 0.53 |
| MRZ | 15.9 | 16.5 | | 3.8 | -0.6 | 0.8 | 0.99 | 0.97 | -90 | 0.33 |
| MSD | 18.3 | 18.3 | | 5.8 | -0.0 | 0.2 | 1.00 | 1.00 | 75 | 0.67 |
| NMR | 18.6 | 19.0 | | 3.4 | -0.4 | 0.5 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -105 | 0.65 |
| NSL | 16.2 | 16.7 | | 4.7 | -0.6 | 0.9 | 0.99 | 0.96 | 75 | 0.07 |
| PPT | 16.7 | 17.4 | | 5.0 | -0.7 | 2.0 | 0.96 | 0.89 | -30 | 4.66 |
| PRI | 16.7 | 17.4 | | 5.0 | -0.7 | 0.5 | 0.99 | 0.99 | -30 | 0.59 |
| RV | 16.3 | 16.8 | | 4.6 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 | -30 | 0.38 |
| SJG | 17.4 | 18.6 | | 5.8 | -1.2 | 0.8 | 0.98 | 0.98 | 30 | 0.57 |
| SMR | 18.8 | 19.0 | | 3.6 | -0.2 | 0.6 | 0.99 | 0.98 | -105 | 0.80 |
| SRV | 16.3 | 16.8 | | 4.7 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 | -45 | 0.67 |
| SSS | 14.0 | 14.3 | | 2.2 | -0.3 | 0.3 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 135 | 0.34 |
| SUT | 14.0 | 14.2 | | 2.2 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.99 | 0.98 | 135 | 0.42 |
| YBY | 16.1 | 17.5 | | 5.6 | -1.3 | 1.8 | 0.96 | 0.90 | 60 | 1.33 |

Table 8: Validation statistics for unfiltered temperature.

| | Mean | Mean | St. | Dev. | | | | |
|---------|-----------|-----------|-----|-----------|-----------|-----------|-------|------|
| | Obs. | Mod. | | Obs. | | RMSE | | |
| Station | (^{o}C) | (^{o}C) | | (^{o}C) | (^{o}C) | (^{o}C) | Skill | R2 |
| AWB | 14.9 | 14.6 | | 4.0 | 0.3 | 0.7 | 0.99 | 0.98 |
| BENI | 16.2 | 16.6 | | 3.6 | -0.4 | 0.8 | 0.99 | 0.97 |
| CARQ | 14.9 | 15.7 | | 3.7 | -0.9 | 0.8 | 0.98 | 0.98 |
| CASL | 18.9 | 19.0 | | 2.9 | -0.1 | 0.7 | 0.99 | 0.95 |
| CS | 16.4 | 16.8 | | 4.7 | -0.4 | 0.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 |
| CSE | 16.3 | 16.6 | | 4.3 | -0.2 | 0.7 | 0.99 | 0.98 |
| DCC | 16.0 | 16.4 | | 4.6 | -0.4 | 0.4 | 1.00 | 0.99 |
| DSJ | 19.6 | 20.0 | | 3.4 | -0.3 | 0.9 | 0.98 | 0.94 |
| DWS | 16.6 | 17.2 | | 4.7 | -0.6 | 0.4 | 0.99 | 0.99 |
| FPT | 15.8 | 16.3 | | 4.5 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 1.00 | |
| GES | 17.9 | 18.4 | | 3.6 | | 0.4 | 0.99 | 0.99 |
| GSS | 17.9 | 18.4 | | 3.6 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 0.99 | 0.99 |
| HWB | 16.2 | 16.4 | | 4.7 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 1.00 | 0.99 |
| LCT | 17.0 | 17.3 | | 5.2 | -0.3 | 0.8 | 0.99 | 0.97 |
| LIB | 16.5 | 16.8 | | 4.7 | -0.3 | 0.5 | 1.00 | 0.99 |
| LIBP | 18.7 | 18.9 | | 3.1 | -0.2 | 0.5 | | |
| LPS | 19.2 | 19.6 | | 3.8 | -0.4 | 0.7 | 0.99 | |
| MLD | 16.3 | 16.7 | | 4.1 | -0.4 | 0.6 | 0.99 | 0.99 |
| MRZ | 15.9 | 16.5 | | 3.8 | -0.5 | 0.7 | 0.99 | 0.98 |
| MSD | 18.3 | 18.4 | | 5.8 | -0.0 | 0.1 | 1.00 | |
| NMR | 18.6 | 19.0 | | 3.4 | -0.4 | 0.4 | 0.99 | |
| NSL | 16.2 | 16.7 | | 4.7 | -0.6 | 0.7 | 0.99 | |
| PPT | 16.7 | 17.4 | | 5.0 | -0.7 | 1.2 | | |
| PRI | 16.7 | 17.5 | | 5.0 | -0.7 | 0.5 | 0.99 | |
| RV | 16.3 | 16.8 | | 4.6 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 1.00 | |
| SJG | 17.4 | 18.6 | | 5.8 | -1.2 | 0.8 | 0.98 | 0.98 |
| SMR | 18.7 | 19.0 | | 3.6 | -0.2 | 0.5 | 0.99 | |
| SRV | 16.3 | 16.8 | | 4.7 | -0.5 | 0.4 | 1.00 | |
| SSS | 14.0 | 14.3 | | 2.2 | -0.3 | 0.3 | 0.99 | |
| SUT | 14.0 | 14.2 | | 2.2 | -0.2 | 0.3 | 0.99 | |
| YBY | 16.2 | 17.5 | | 5.5 | -1.3 | 1.3 | 0.97 | 0.94 |

Table 9: Validation statistics for tidally averaged temperature.

4.2 Model Performance

For unfiltered discharge, model skill is high throughout the Suisun-Delta system, and for the most part, lag between the model and observations is small. There are two exceptions with respect to lag: stations YBY and HWB. Tides do not appear to influence station YBY, thus lag is not meaningful here. At station HWB, on the other hand, the modeled discharge signal exhibits oscillations near twice the tidal frequency, suggesting a possible numerical instability or resonance at this station. Tidal amplitude ratio is close to 1 throughout the Suisun-Delta system except at YBY (where again, since there is no tidal influence, tidal amplitude ratio is not meaningfyl), at HWB (where the same resonance/instability issue is likely to blame), and at LCT, HOL, SMR, OH4, GLC, ODM, and NSL. Errors in tidal amplitude at these stations could be due to errors in bathymetry and/or friction. Errors in the vicinity of the permanent gates/weirs and temporary barriers could be due to our rough parameterization of these structures.

Model predictions of tidally averaged discharge are overall good. While model skill and R2 are lower than for unfiltered discharge, this is due to the smaller variance in the tidal average time series compared to the unfiltered time series. The main model weaknesses for tidally averaged flow are in the Yolo Bypass, where boundary inflows are not well-characterized, and in the central Delta, where the absence of consumptive use is a likely source of error.

The model predicts both unfiltered and tidally averaged discharge fairly well downstream of the Delta Cross Channel (site DLC) and the Suisun Marsh Salinity Control Gates (site NSL), but there is room for improvement, which could be accomplished by better parameterization of these structures. In WY2016, the Sacramento Weir was not opened, so we do not have the opportunity to evaluate performance of this structure using the model results from WY2016.

For both unfiltered and tidally averaged salinity, model skill is high through Suisun Bay and the confluence of the Sacramento and San Joaquin Rivers, but skill drops to zero moving deeper into the Delta. This is because salinity is set to zero at all tributary inflows except the San Joaquin River. Errors in salinity are small in an absolute sense (several psu) throughout the domain. Where model skill is high, there is no lag in the modeled tidal signal and the tidal amplitude ratio is close to one; where skill is low, these statistics are not meaningful as the model does not capture the signal.

Model skill for unfiltered and tidally averaged temperature is high throughout the entire Suisun-Delta system. Vroom et al. (2017) found that surface heat exchange is the primary driver of temperature in the Delta, and tides play a more minor role, so what we call "tidal amplitude ratio" here is actually the amplitude ratio for daily flucutations in temperature due to surface heating and cooling.

5 Next Steps

Next steps in model development will be driven by performance of the biogeochemical model. If biogeochemical model performance is weak in a particular region, we will investigate whether limitations of the the hydrodynamic model are a potentially important cause and could be improved in a way that would substantially improve biogeochemical model skill. Examples of potential hydrodynamic model improvements include:

- 1. Consumptive use is currently neglected in the hydrodynamic model and could be added. As a first step, estimates from DAYFLOW could be used.
- 2. In several regions of the Delta, additional bathymetry datasets are available that represent improvements over the bathymetry used in the current WY2016 simulation. In addition, the grid could be refined in some regions to address numerical artifacts (e.g., excessive numerical dispersion) or improve computational efficiency. With potential bathymetry and grid changes, this could quickly turn into a very large and time-consuming undertaking, and the potential gains need to be weighed against the necessary effort (dollars or time).
- 3. Improved parameterization of the permanent structures and temporary barriers, possibly using the "general structure" feature of Delft3D-FM, could improve model performance, particulary in the vicinity of these structures.
- 4. The spatially varying Manning coefficient used in the current WY2016 simulation is based on the Martyr-Koller et al. (2017) calibration, which focused on optimizing vertical salinity stratification in Suisun, San Pablo, and Central Bays in WY2000. Optimizing for discharge, with a focus on tidal amplitudes and lags, could produce a different optimal friction field. Furthermore, friction is likely to vary from year-to-year, due to the increasing prevalence of aquatic vegetation communities throughout the Delta. While vegetation friction due to submerged vegetation is better parameterized with a water column drag coefficient, a properly tuned Manning coefficient could capture the effects to first order. These various approaches to fine-tuning drag could improve predictions of tidal dispersion.
- 5. Including submerged aquatic vegetation (SAV) using water-column drag, instead of a Manning coefficient, and including floating vegetation (FAV) as high drag at the water surface, could improve predictions of vertical mixing, which is an important control on clam grazing rate in the biogeochemical model. Hyperspectral flyover data has been used to map density of SAV and both density and species distribution of FAV in the

Delta in recent years (Khanna et al., 2018) and this data could be used to generate water colum drag distributions.

6. Investigating and remedying the instability or resonance in discharge at site HWB. As net discharge is predicted fairly well at this station despite the numerical issue, correcting this is not critical, but could improve local predictions of tidal dispersion.

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A Validation Plots: Discharge

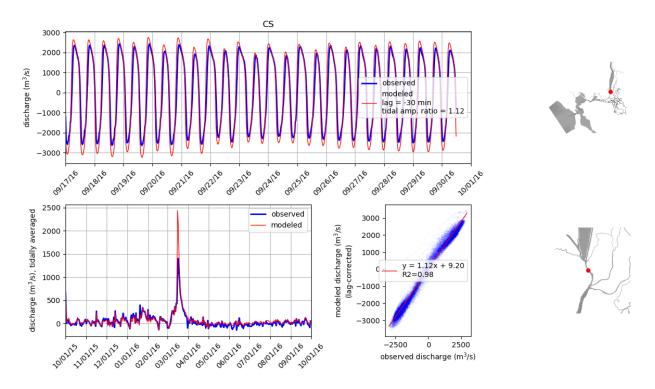


Figure 13: Comparison of modeled and observed flow rates at station CS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

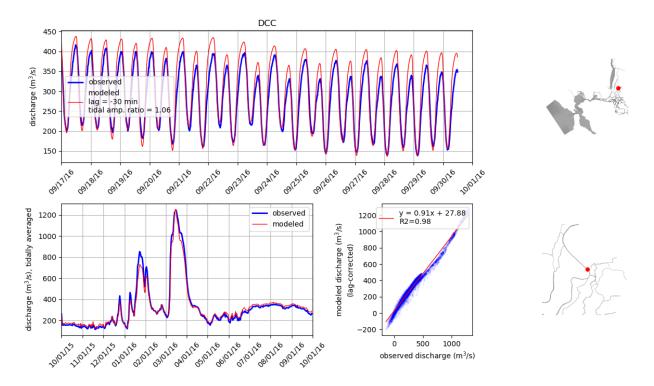


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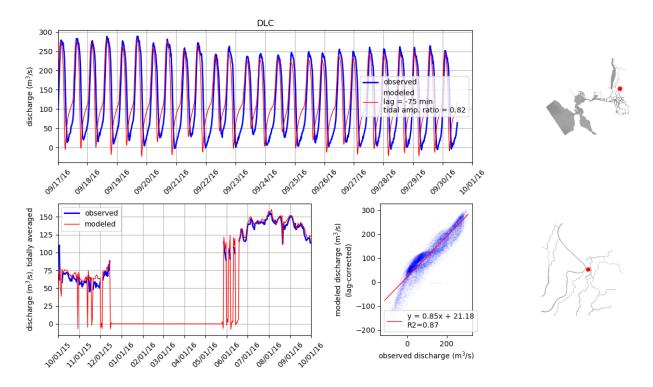


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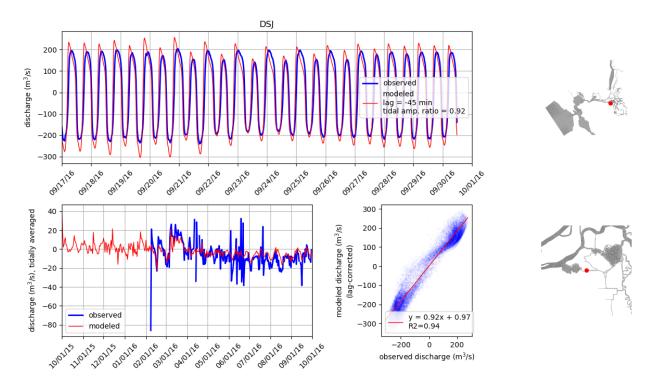


Figure 16: Comparison of modeled and observed flow rates at station DSJ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

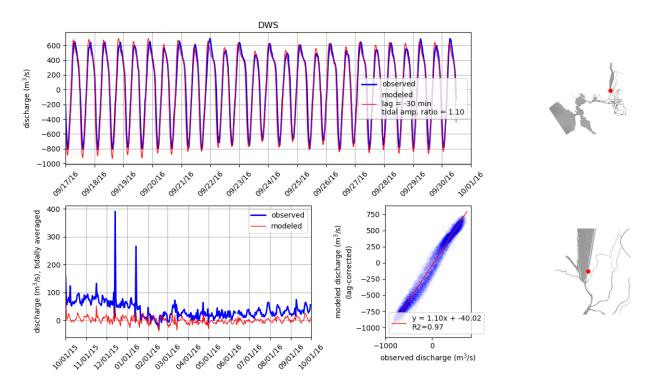


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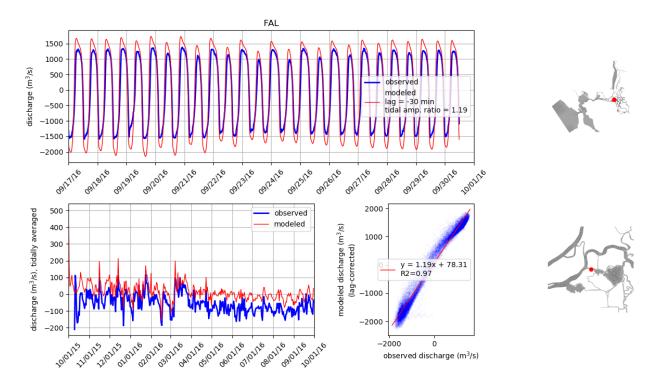


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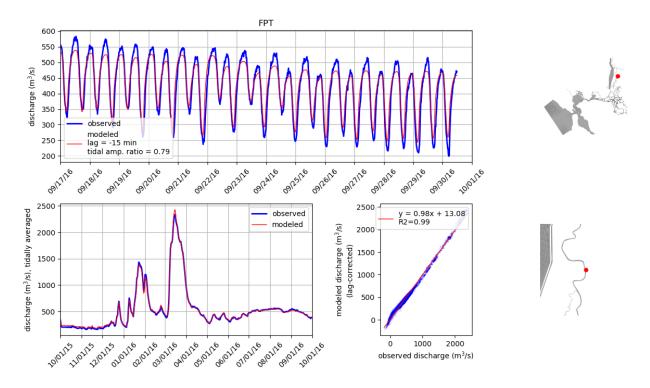


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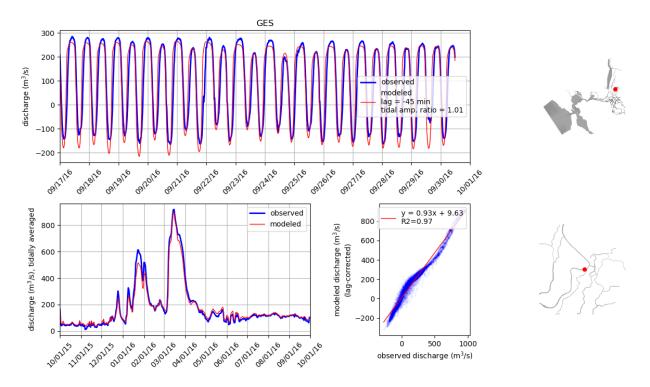


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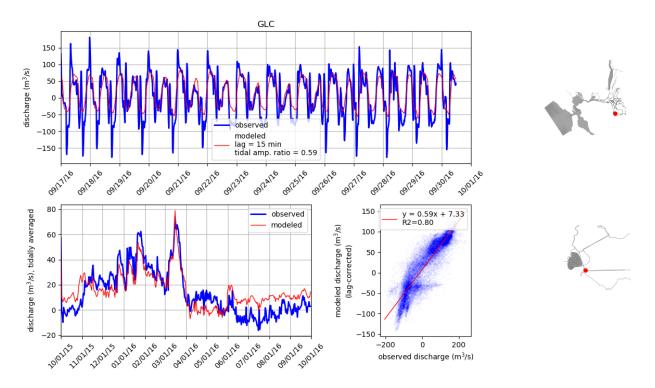


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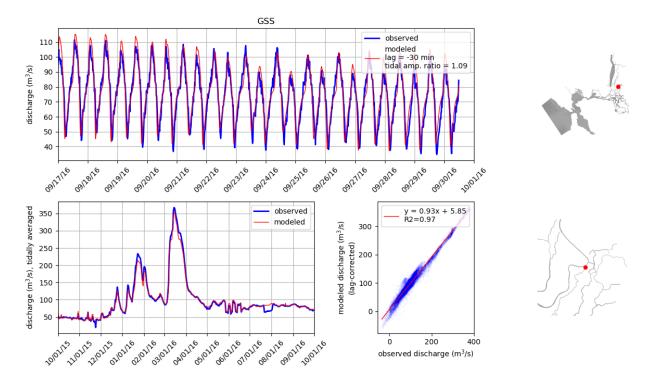


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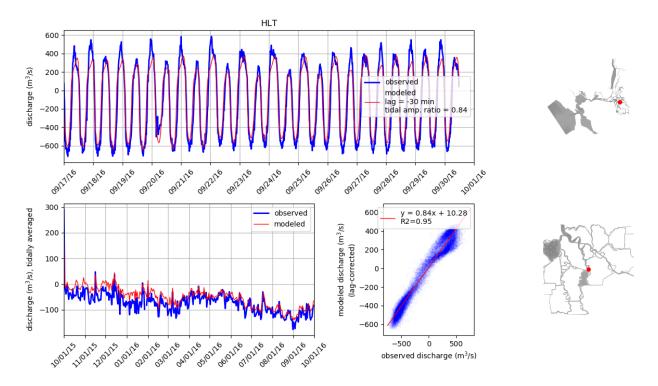


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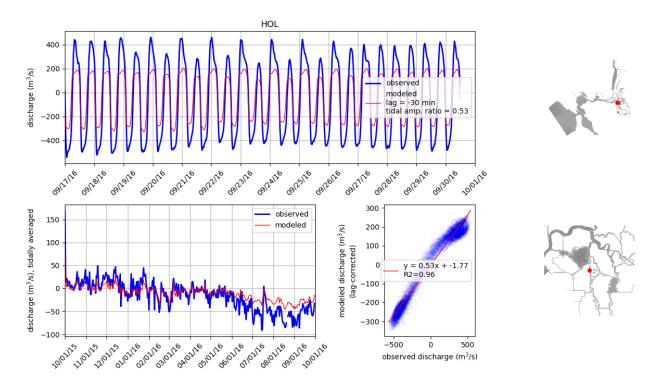


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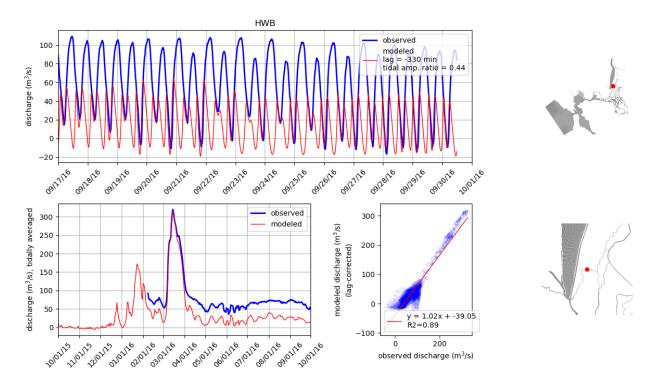


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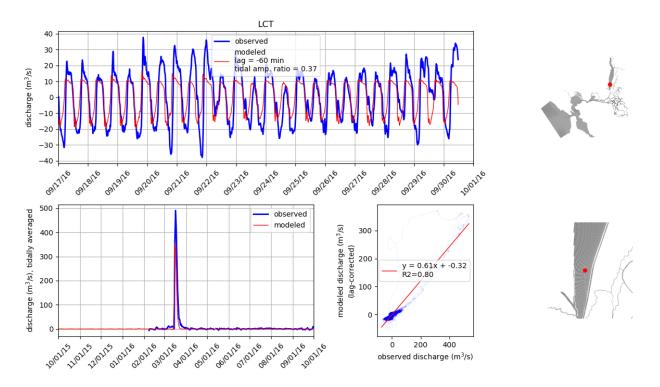


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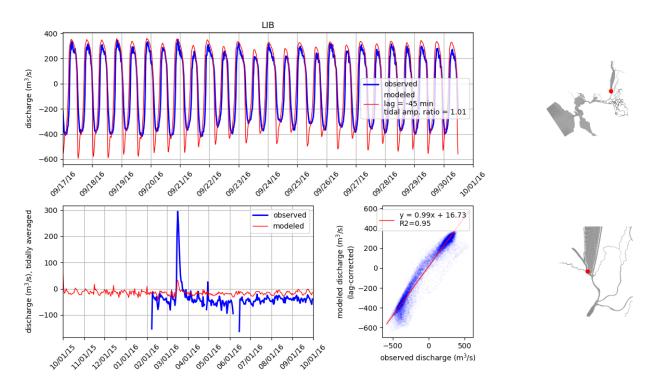


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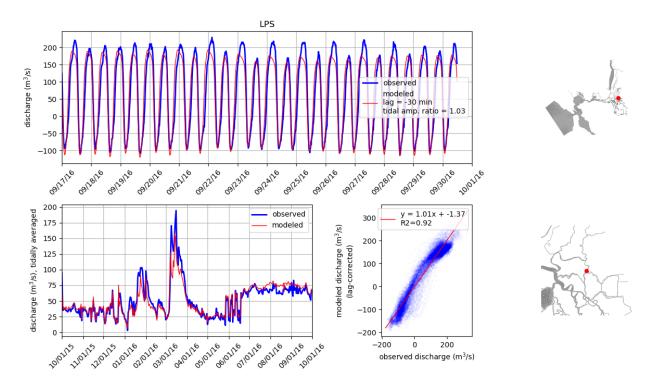


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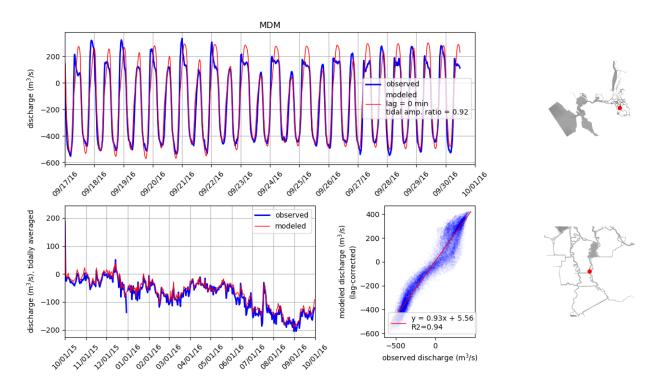


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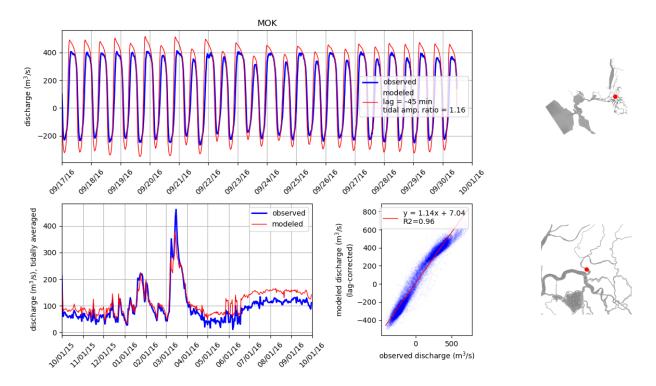


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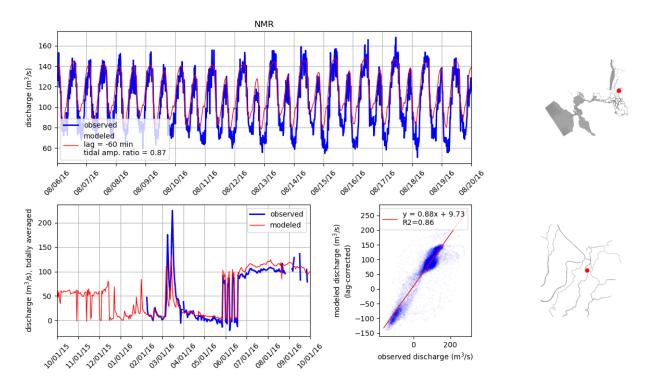


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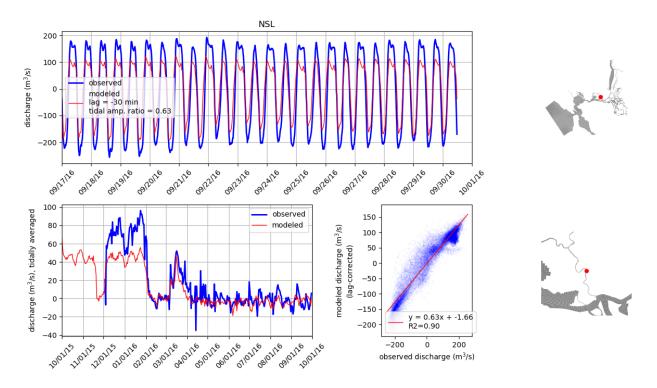


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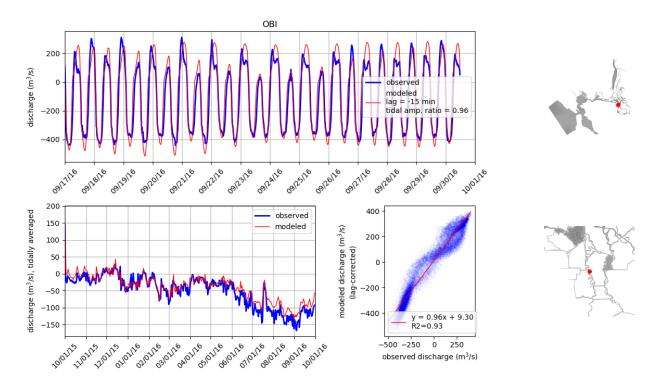


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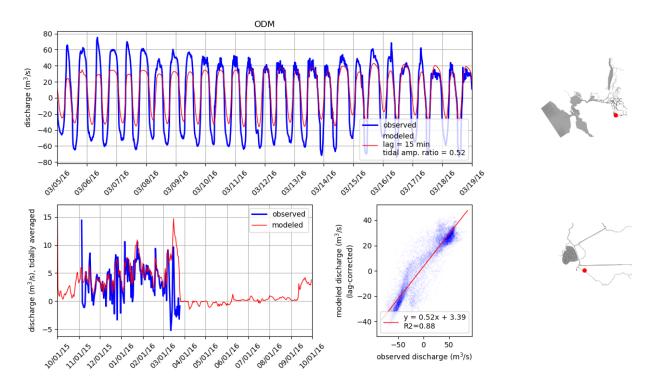


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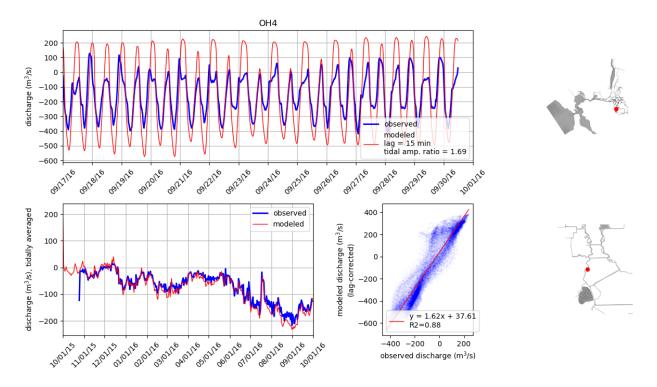


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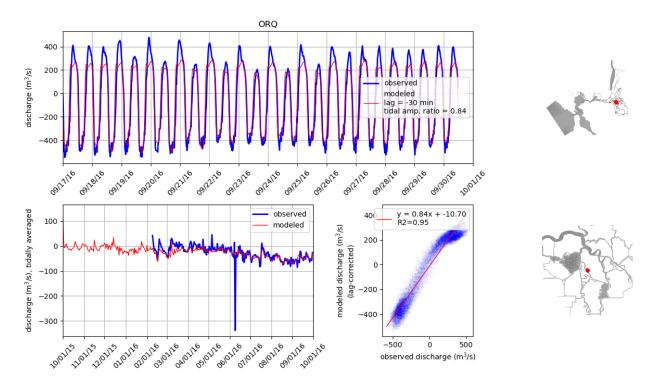


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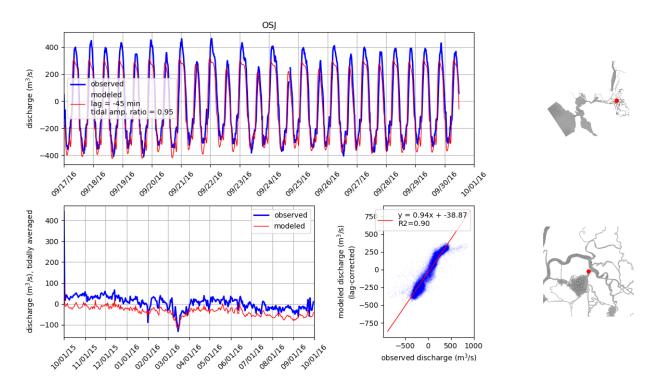


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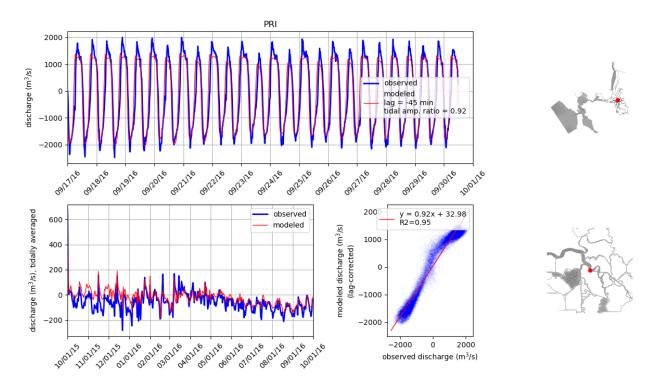


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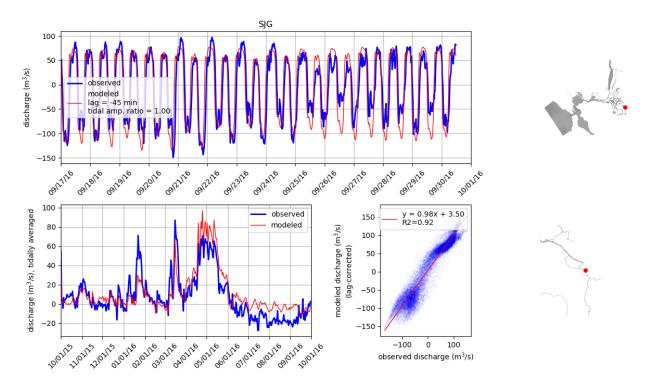


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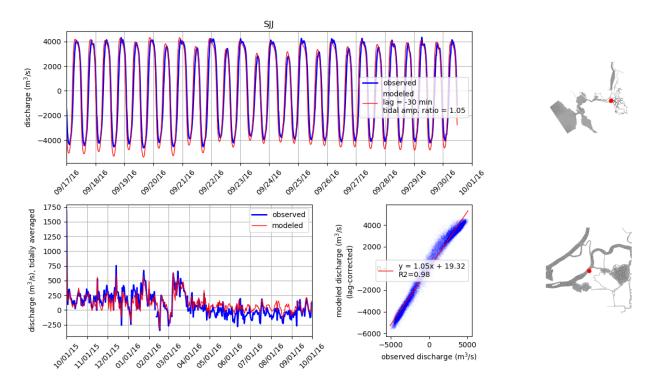


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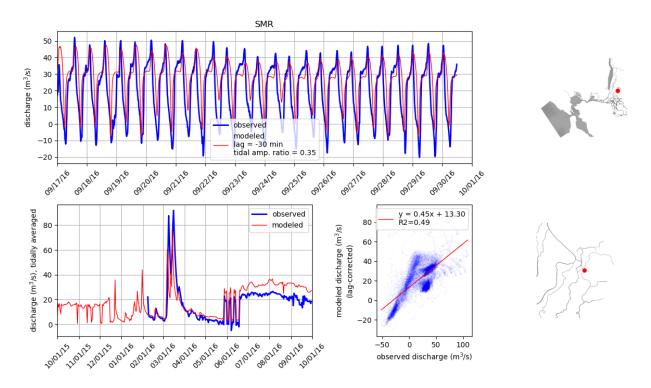


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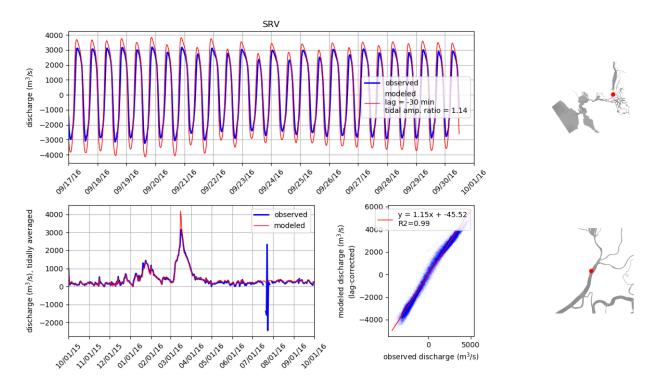


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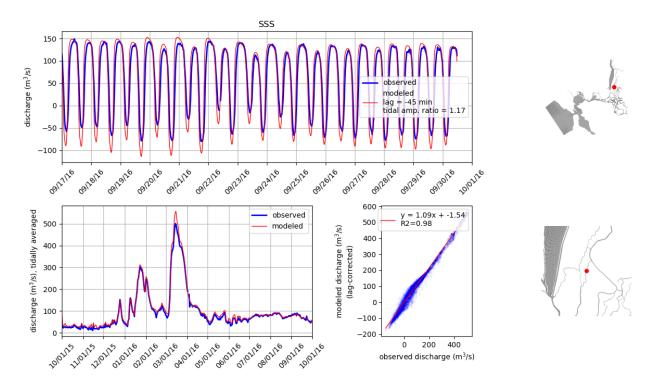


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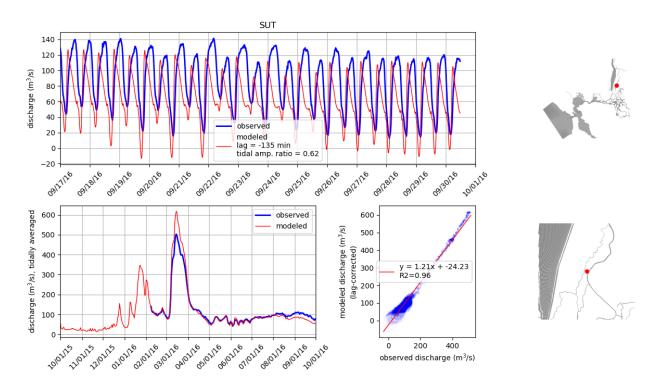


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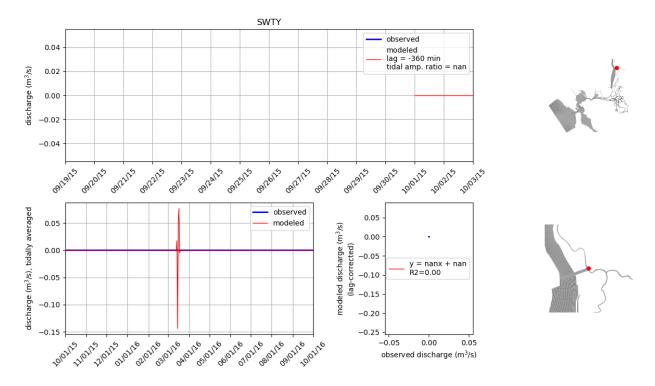


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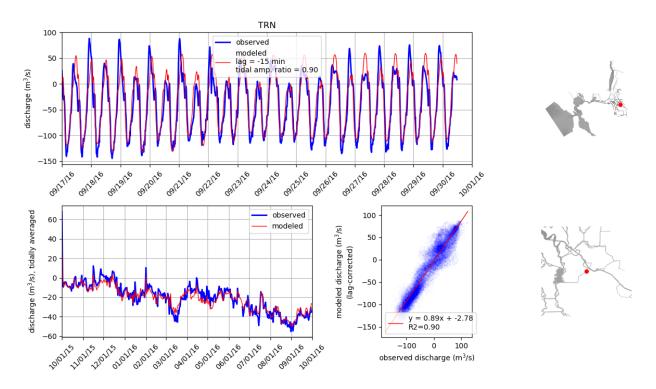


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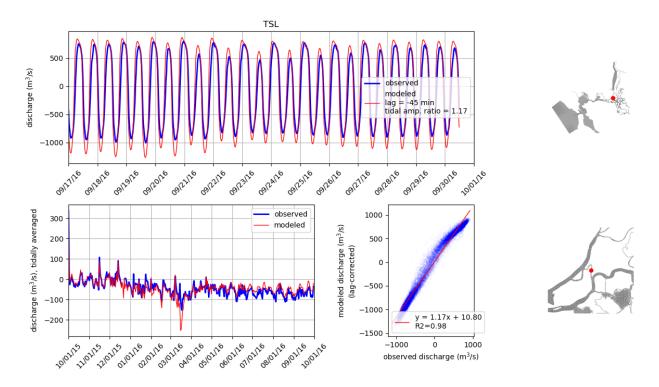


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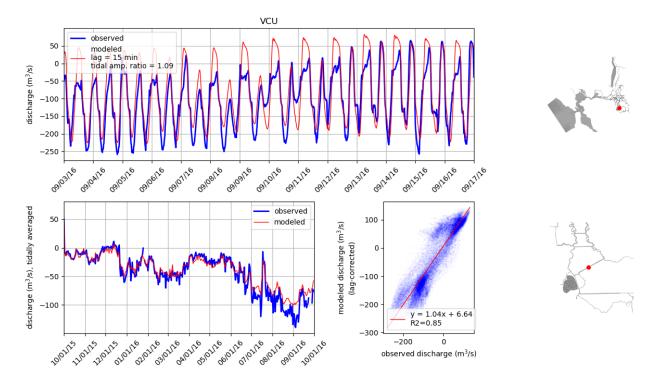


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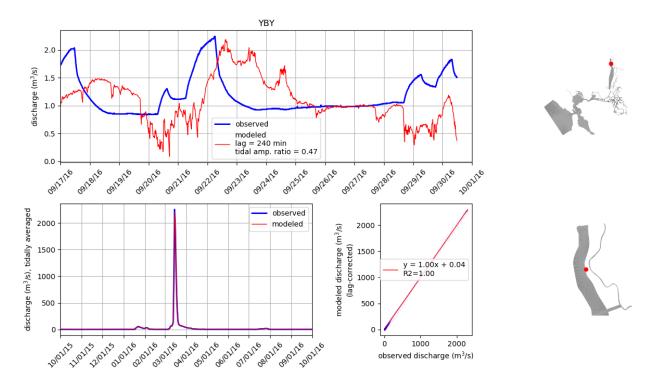


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B Validation Plots: Salinity

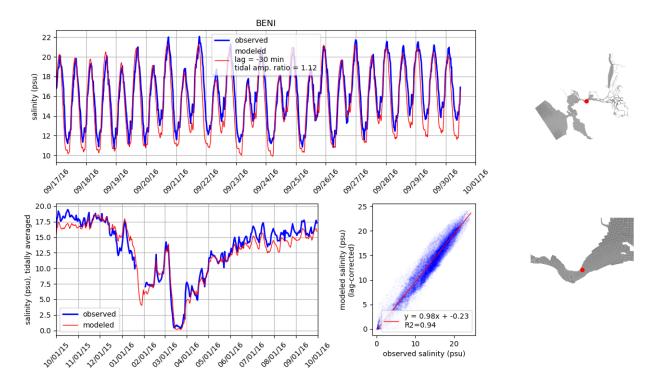


Figure 50: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station BENI. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

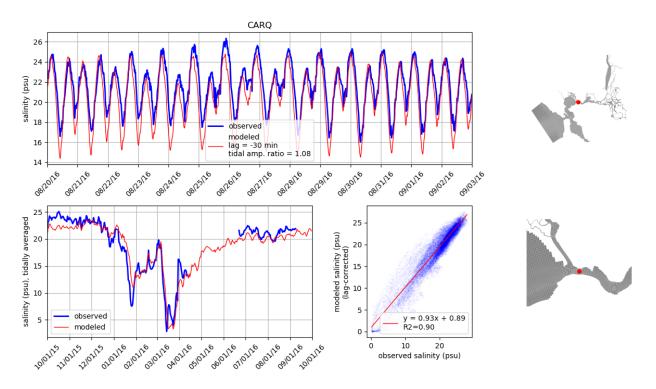


Figure 51: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station CARQ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

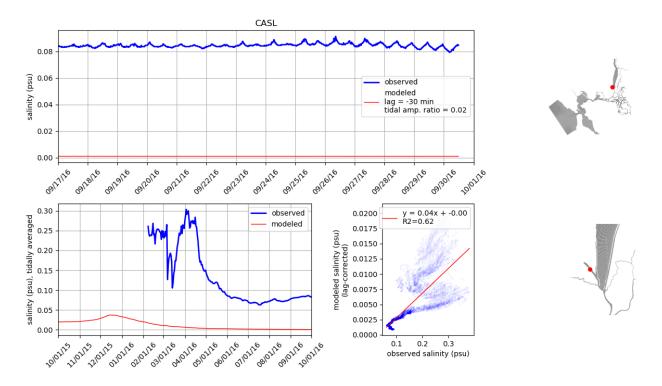


Figure 52: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station CASL. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

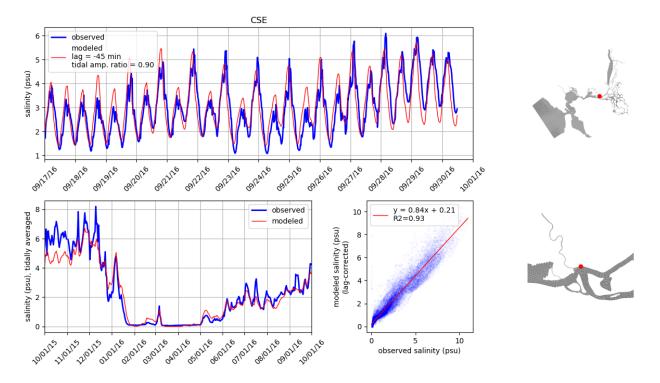


Figure 53: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station CSE. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

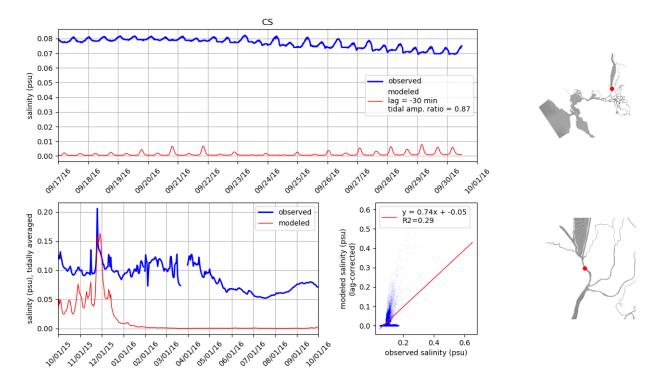


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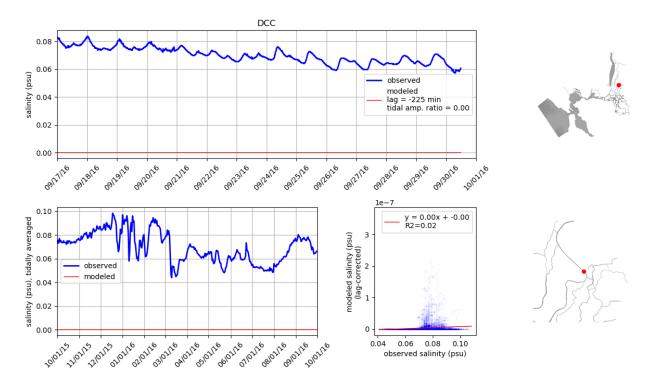


Figure 55: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station DCC. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

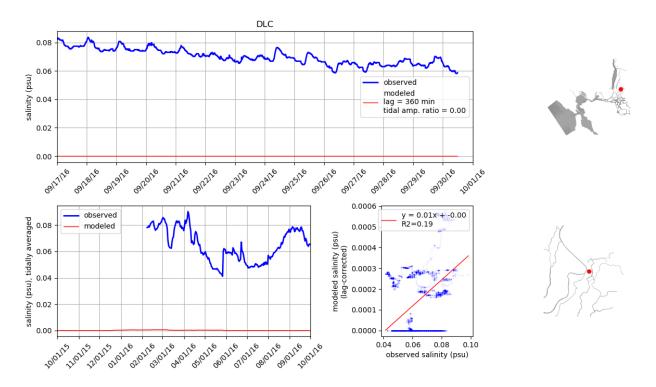


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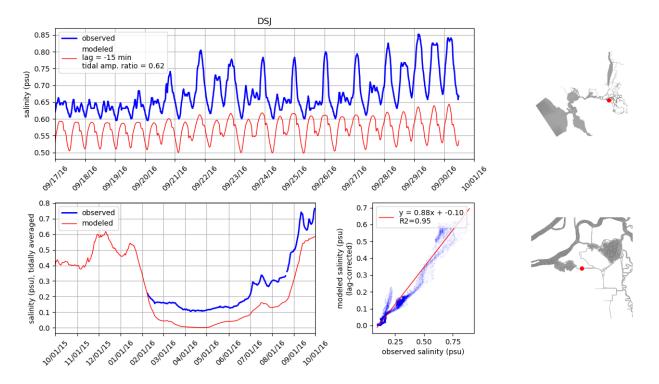


Figure 57: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station DSJ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

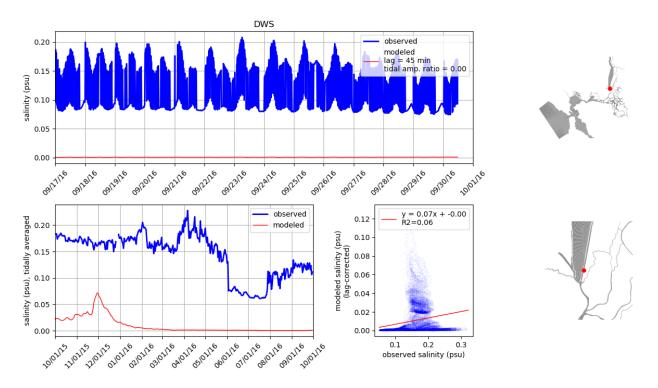


Figure 58: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station DWS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

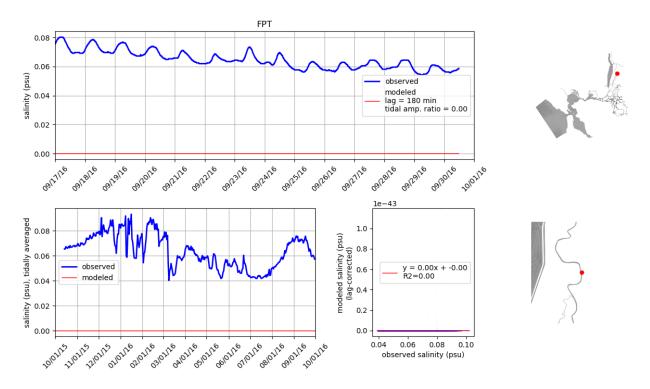


Figure 59: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station FPT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

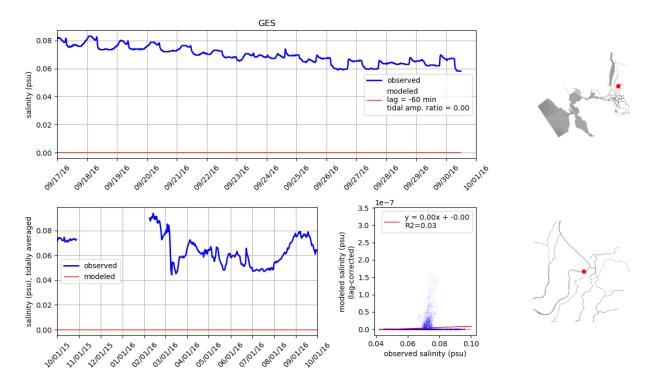


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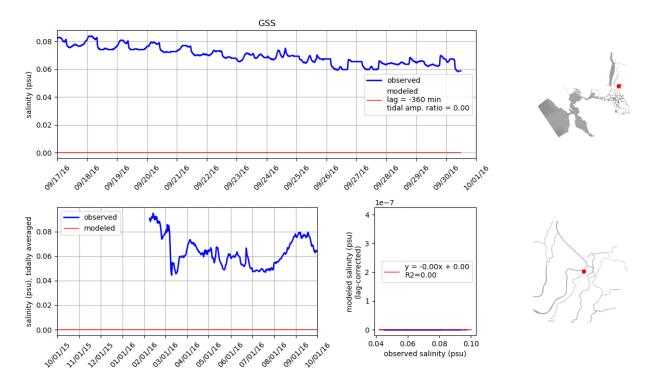


Figure 61: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station GSS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

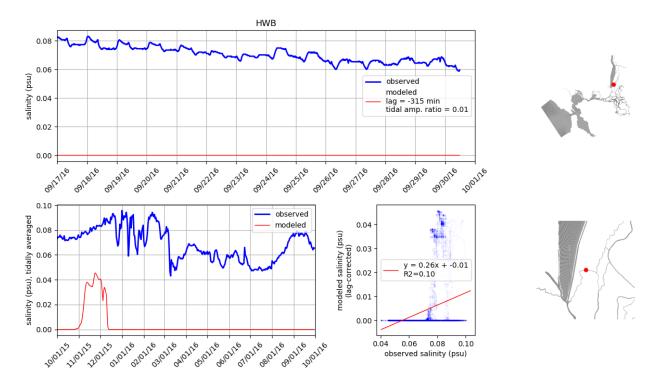


Figure 62: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station HWB. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

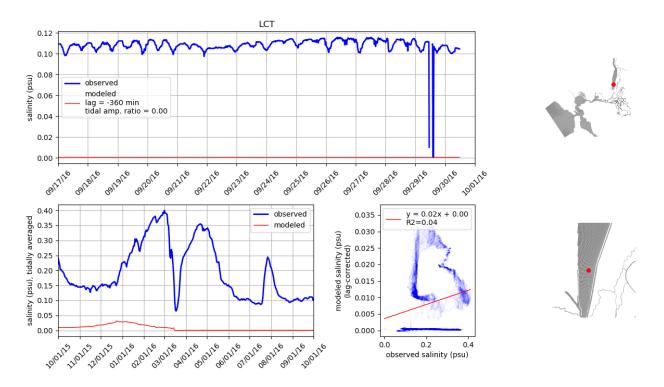


Figure 63: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station LCT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

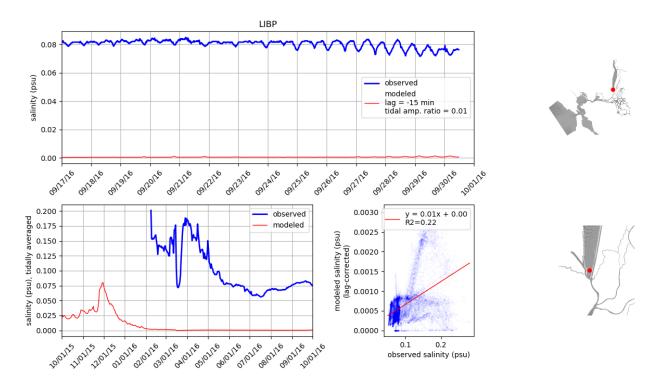


Figure 64: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station LIBP. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

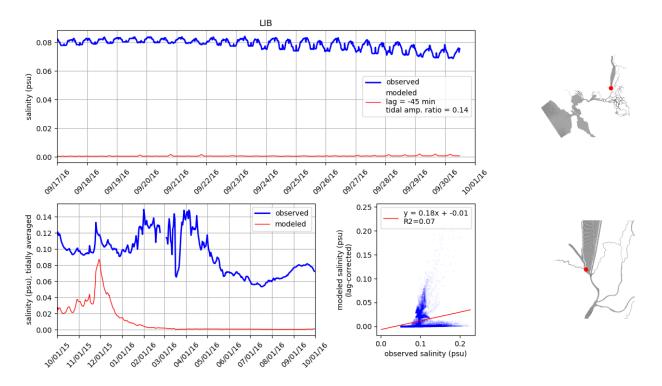


Figure 65: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station LIB. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

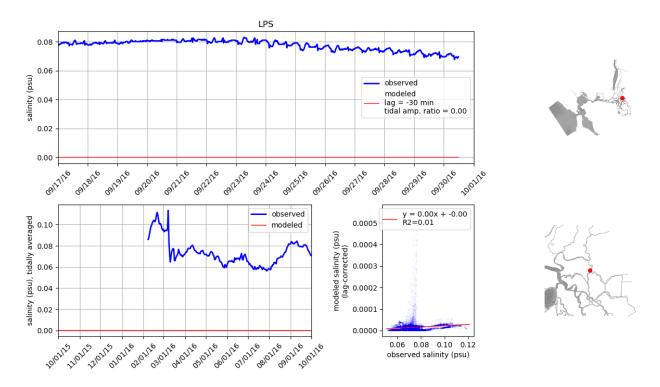


Figure 66: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station LPS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

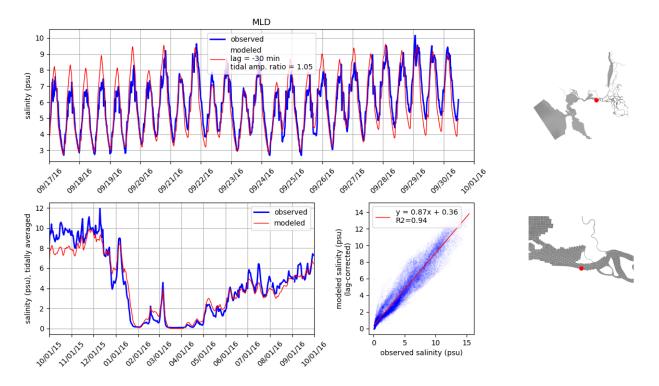


Figure 67: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station MLD. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

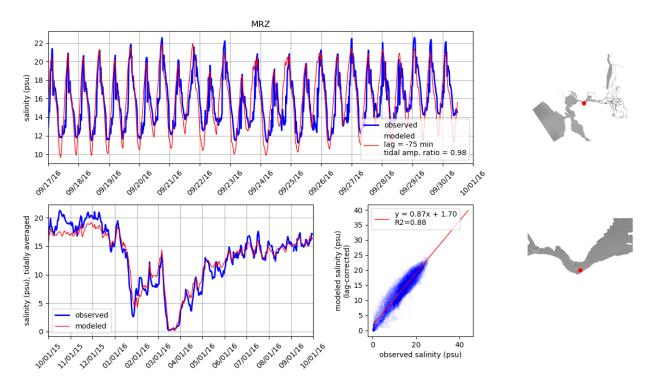


Figure 68: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station MRZ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

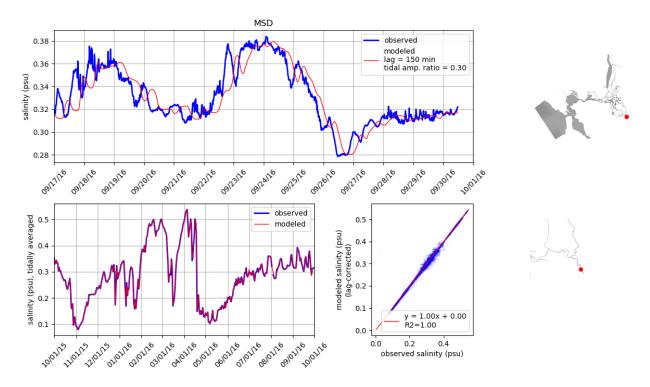


Figure 69: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station MSD. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

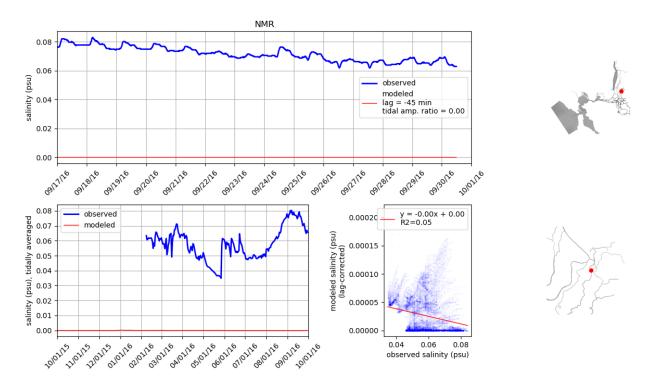


Figure 70: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station NMR. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

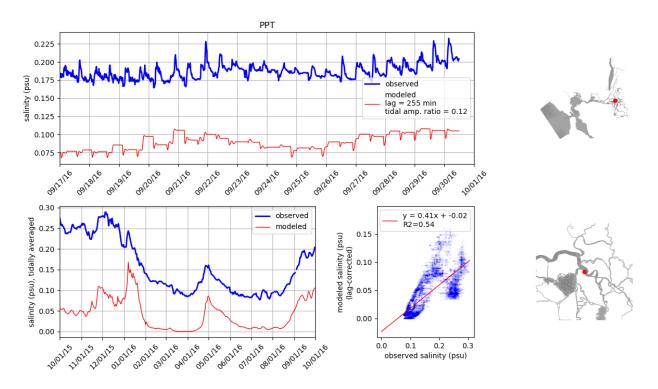


Figure 71: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station PPT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

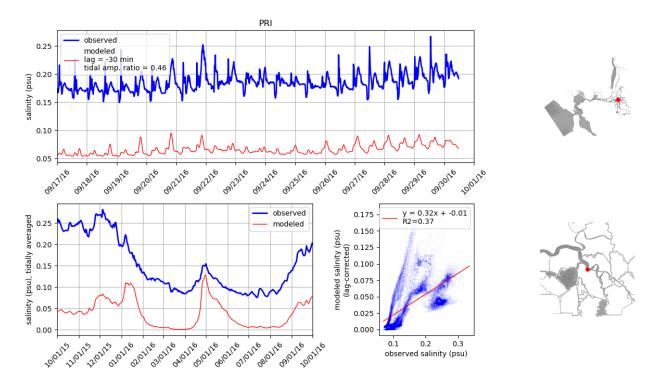


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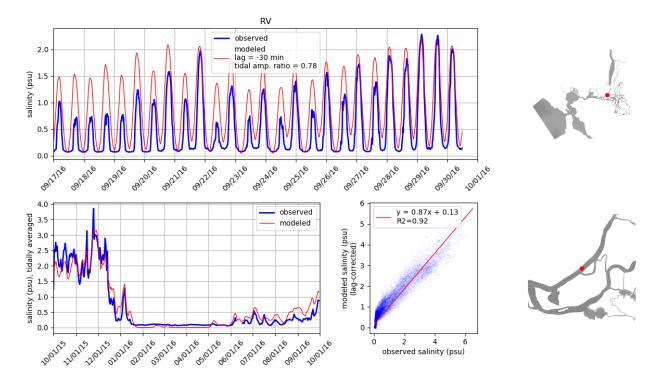


Figure 73: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station RV. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

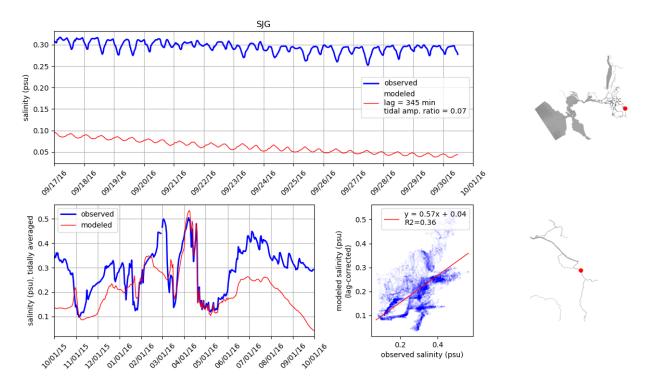


Figure 74: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station SJG. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

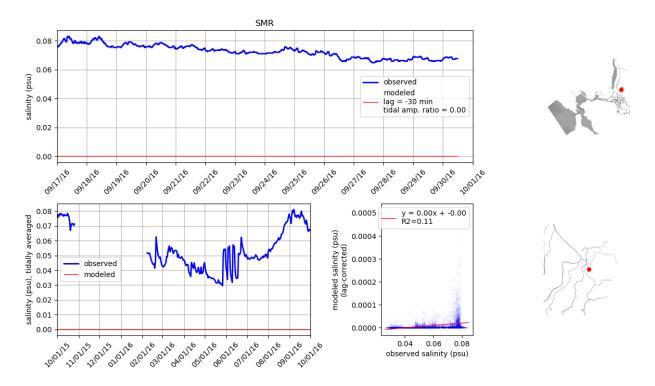


Figure 75: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station SMR. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

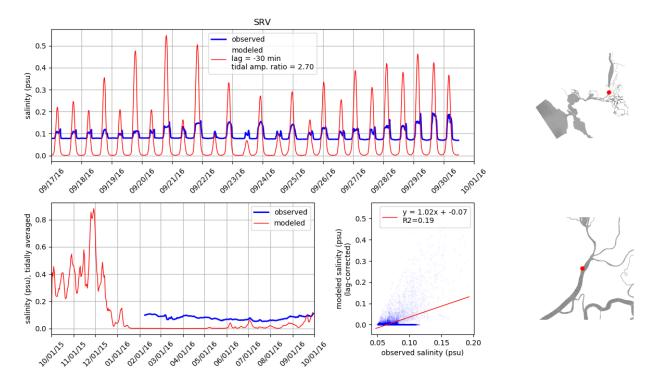


Figure 76: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station SRV. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

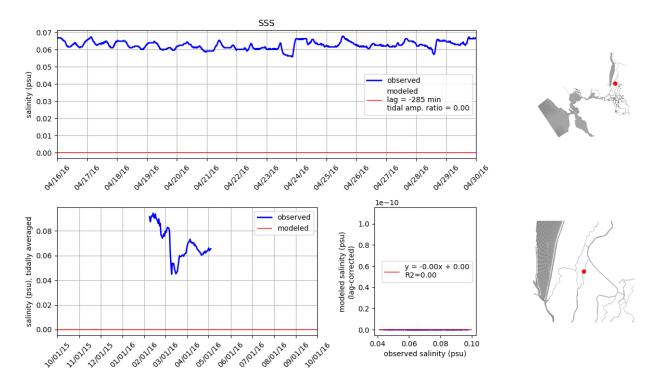


Figure 77: Comparison of modeled and observed salinity at station SSS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

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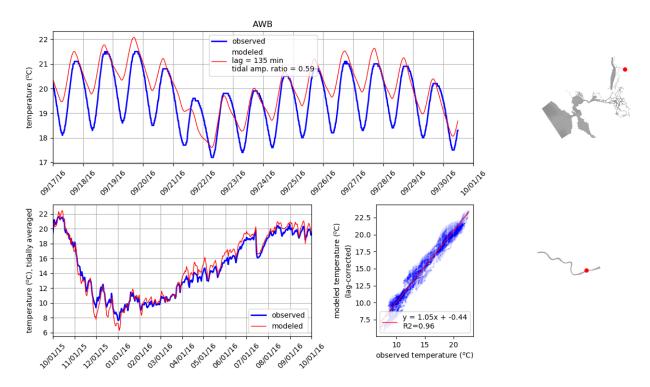


Figure 78: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station AWB. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

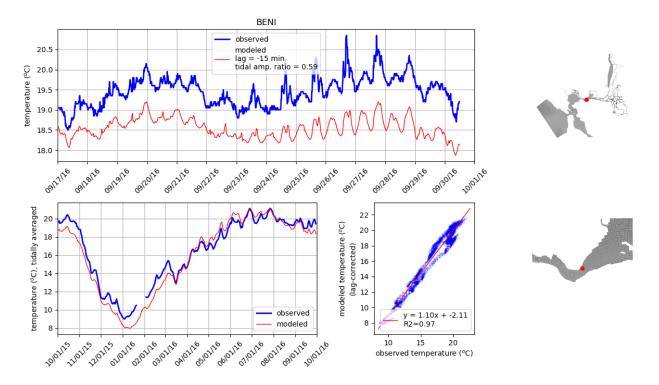


Figure 79: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station BENI. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

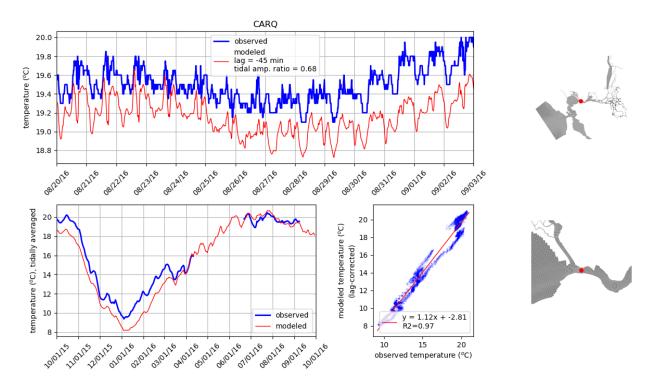


Figure 80: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station CARQ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

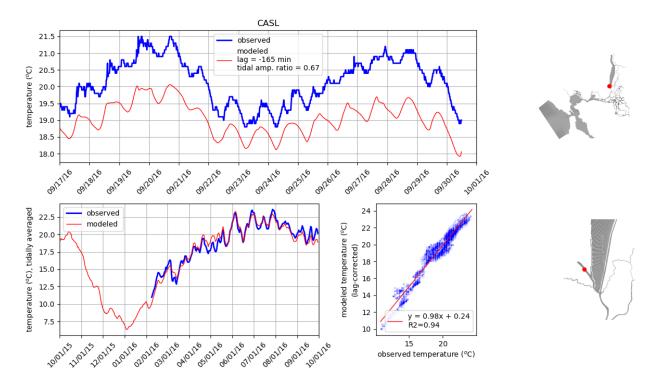


Figure 81: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station CASL. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

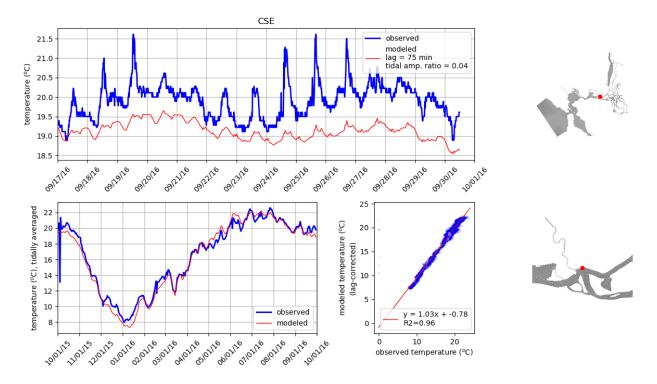


Figure 82: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station CSE. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

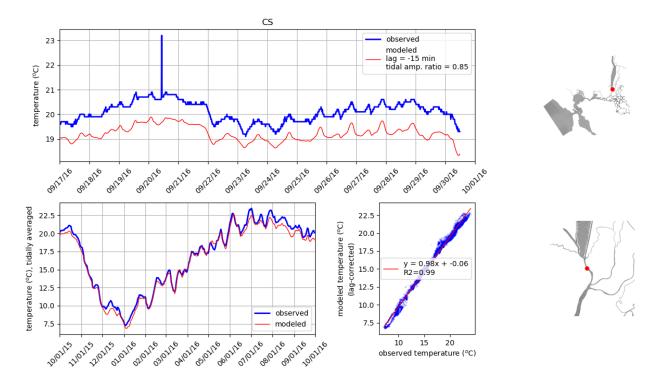


Figure 83: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station CS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

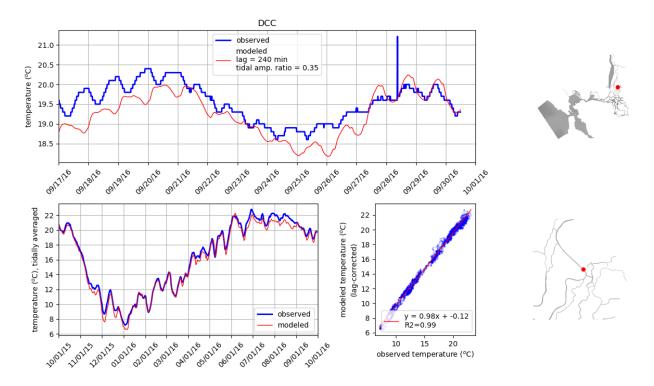


Figure 84: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station DCC. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

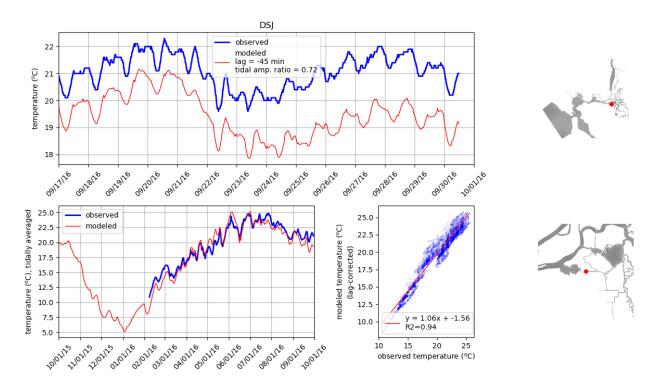


Figure 85: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station DSJ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

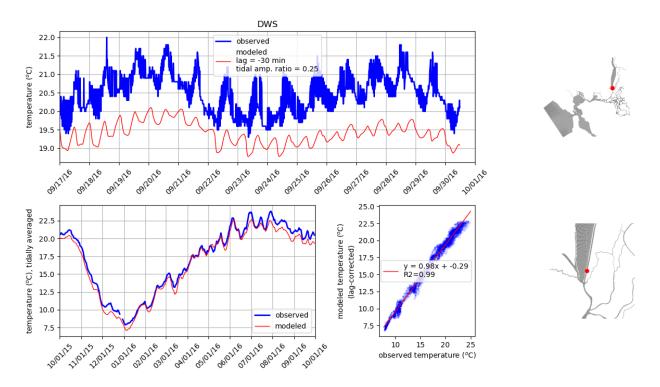


Figure 86: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station DWS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

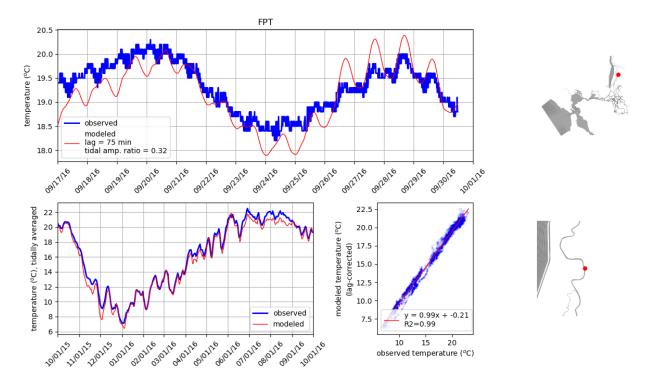


Figure 87: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station FPT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

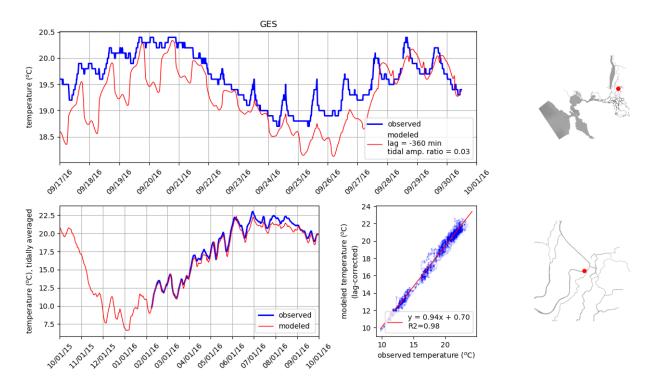


Figure 88: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station GES. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

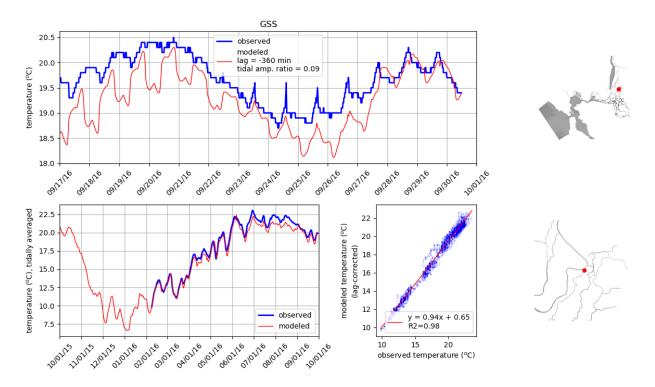


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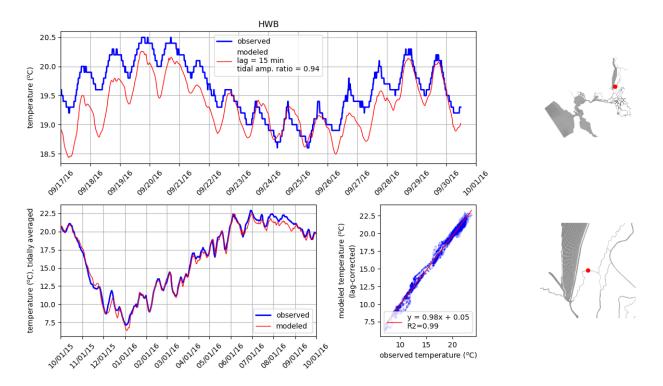


Figure 90: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station HWB. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

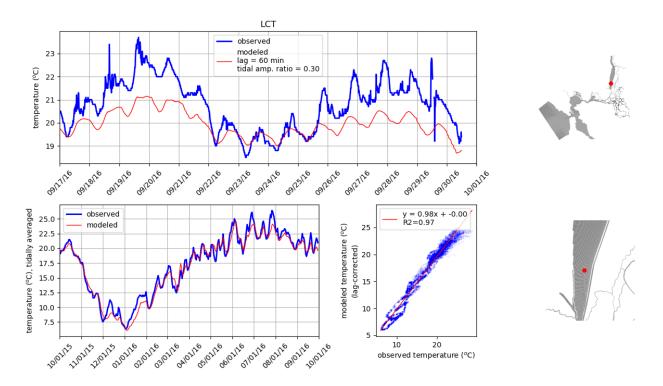


Figure 91: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station LCT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

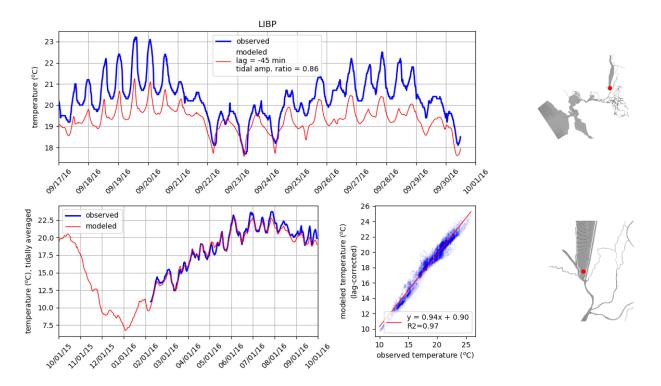


Figure 92: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station LIBP. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

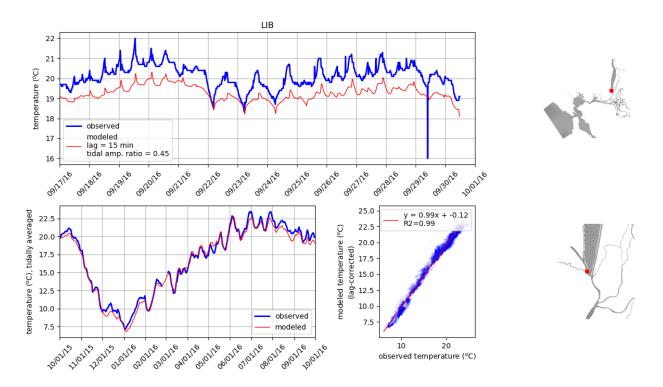


Figure 93: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station LIB. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

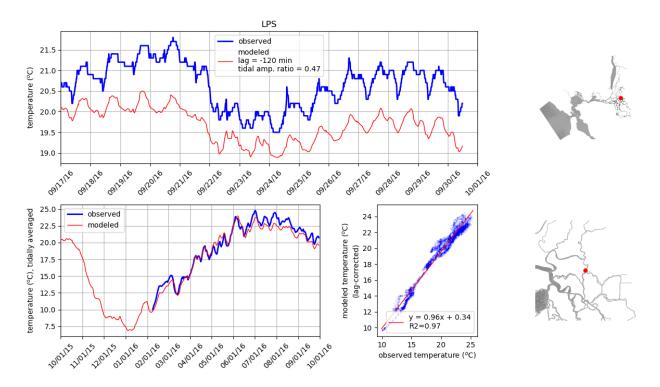


Figure 94: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station LPS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

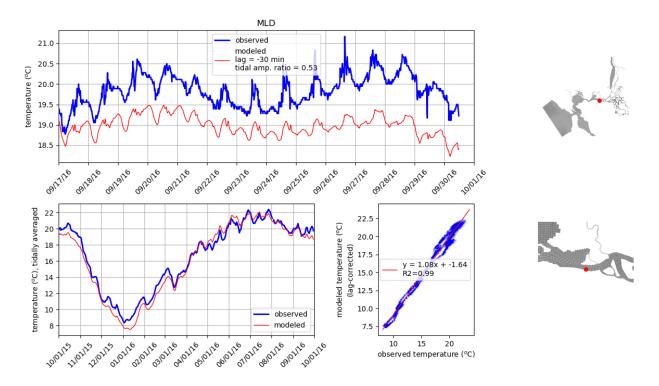


Figure 95: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station MLD. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

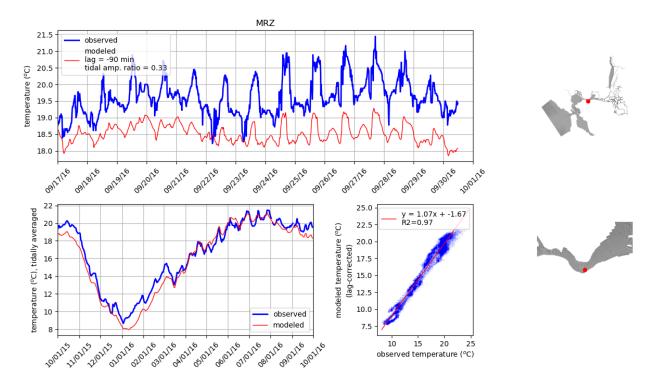


Figure 96: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station MRZ. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

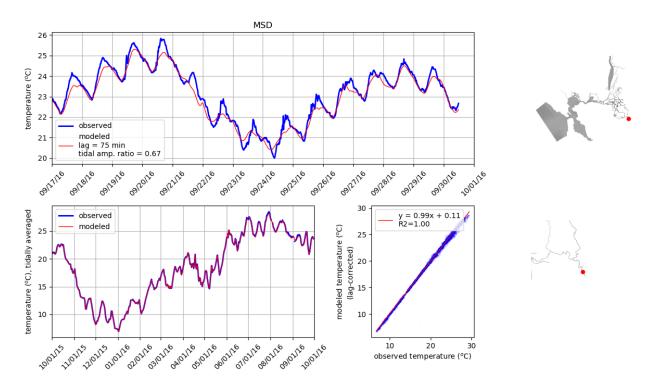


Figure 97: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station MSD. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

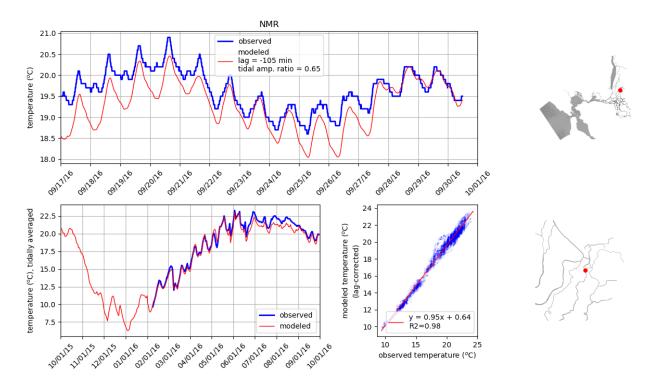


Figure 98: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station NMR. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

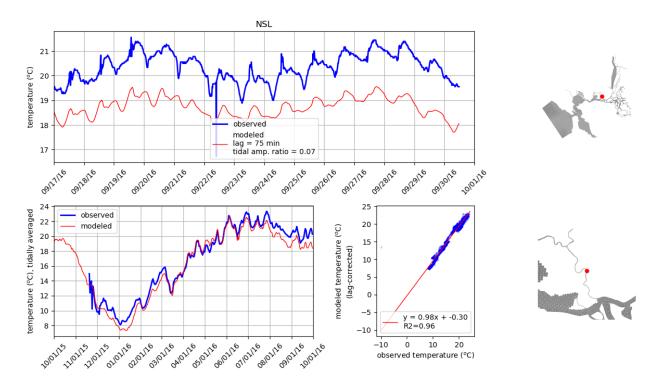


Figure 99: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station NSL. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

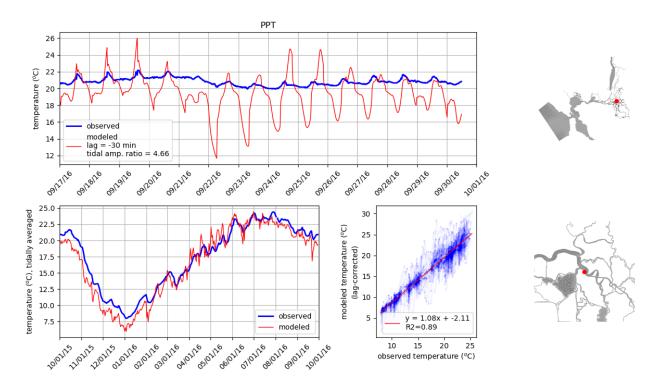


Figure 100: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station PPT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

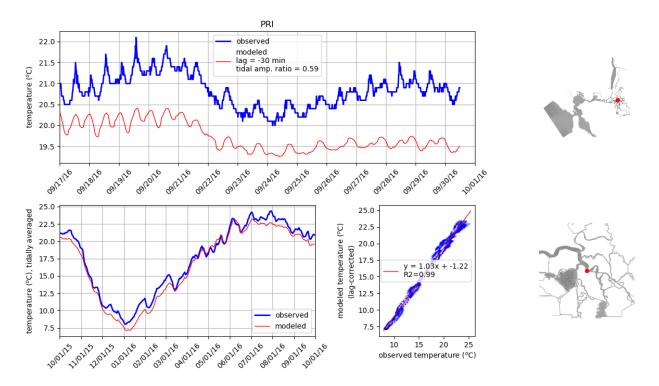


Figure 101: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station PRI. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

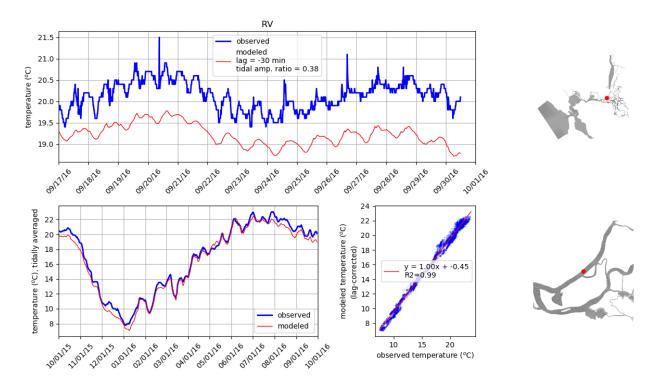


Figure 102: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station RV. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

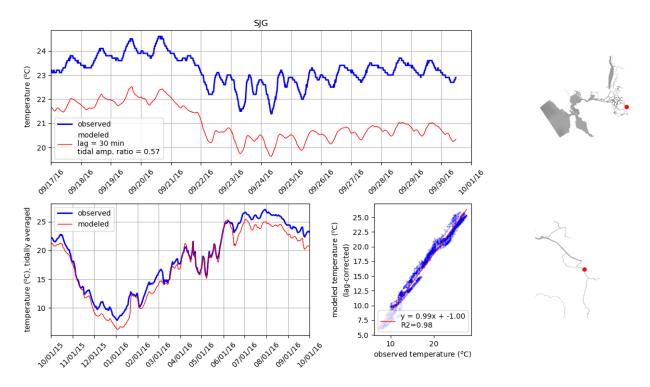


Figure 103: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station SJG. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

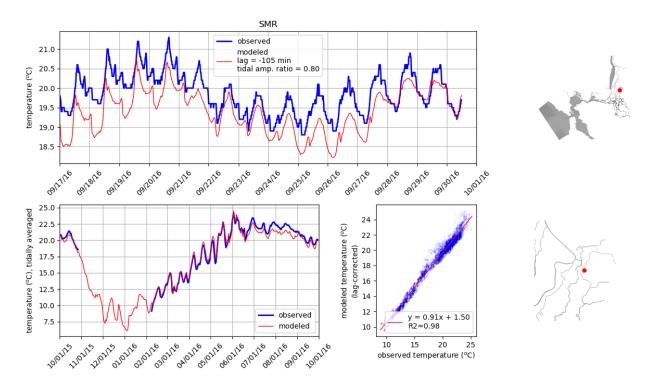


Figure 104: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station SMR. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

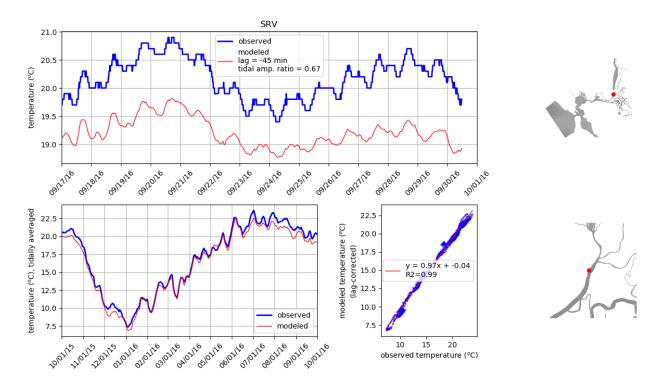


Figure 105: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station SRV. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

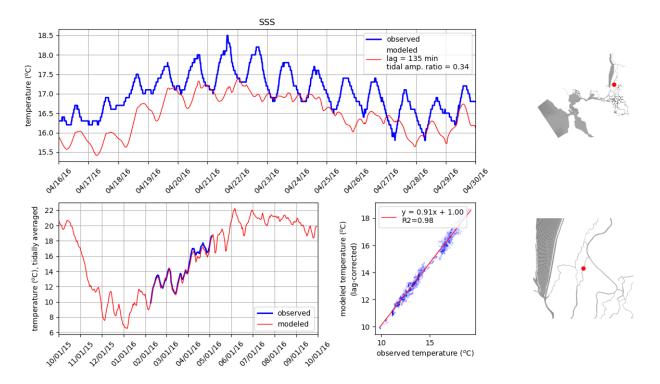


Figure 106: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station SSS. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

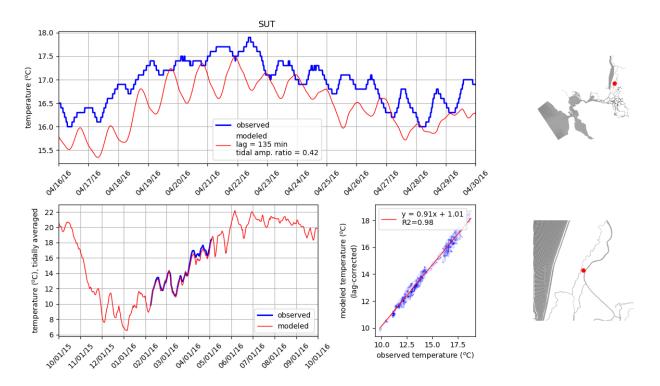


Figure 107: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station SUT. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.

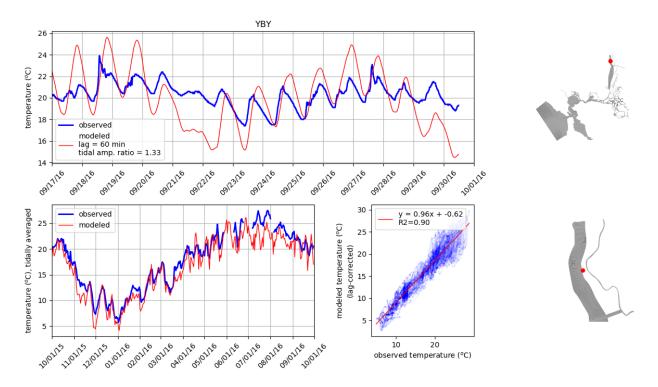


Figure 108: Comparison of modeled and observed temperatures at station YBY. Tidally averaged signals are compared over the water year in lower left panel. Unfiltered signals are compared over a two-week period in the upper panel. Lower right panel compares unfiltered signals where modeled signal has been corrected for lag. On the right, the station location is shown on the model grid.