

# Effects of land use and alternative climatic conditions on functional attributes of subtropical streams

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efectos del uso de la tierra bajo condiciones climáticas alternativas

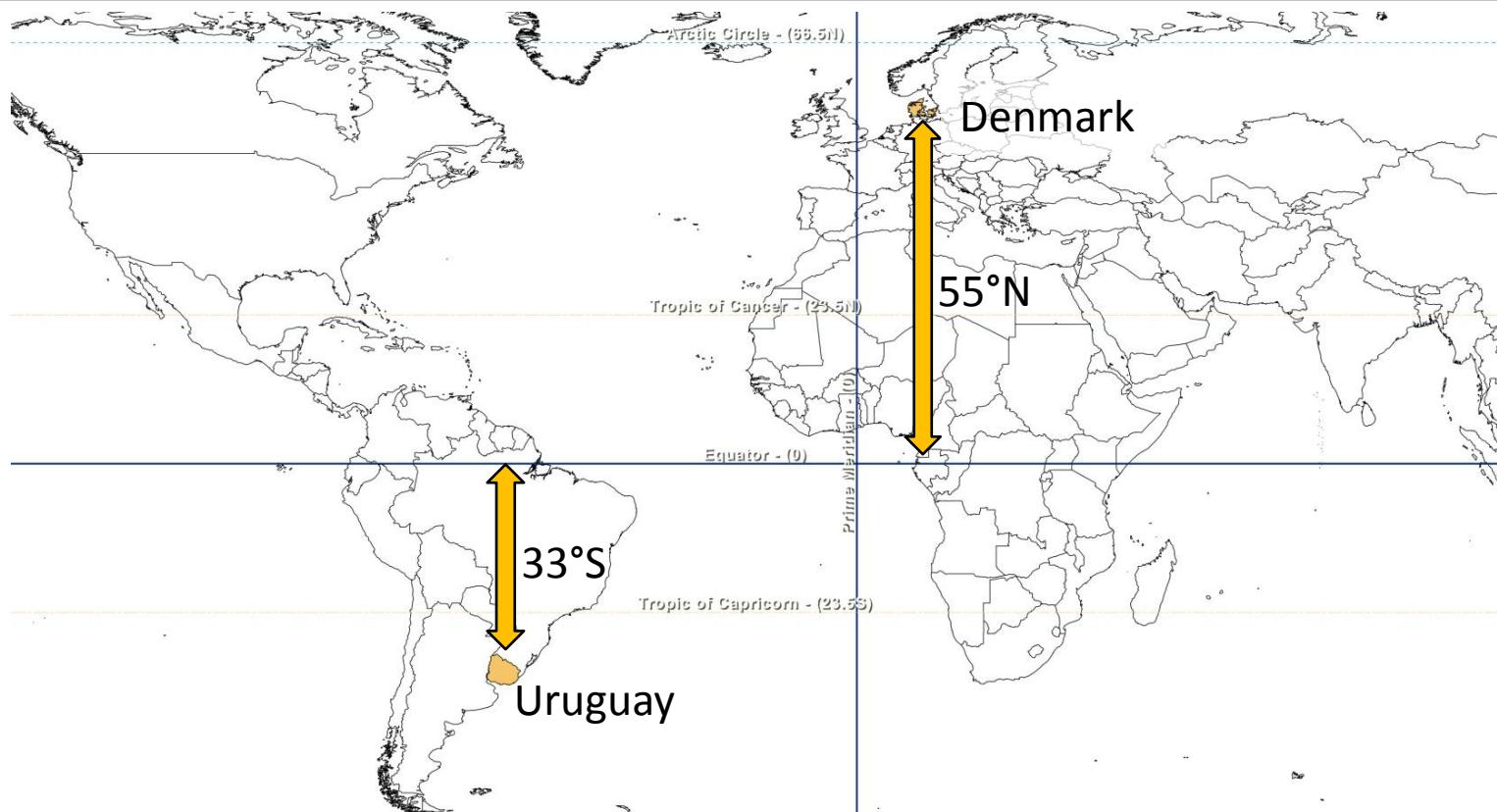


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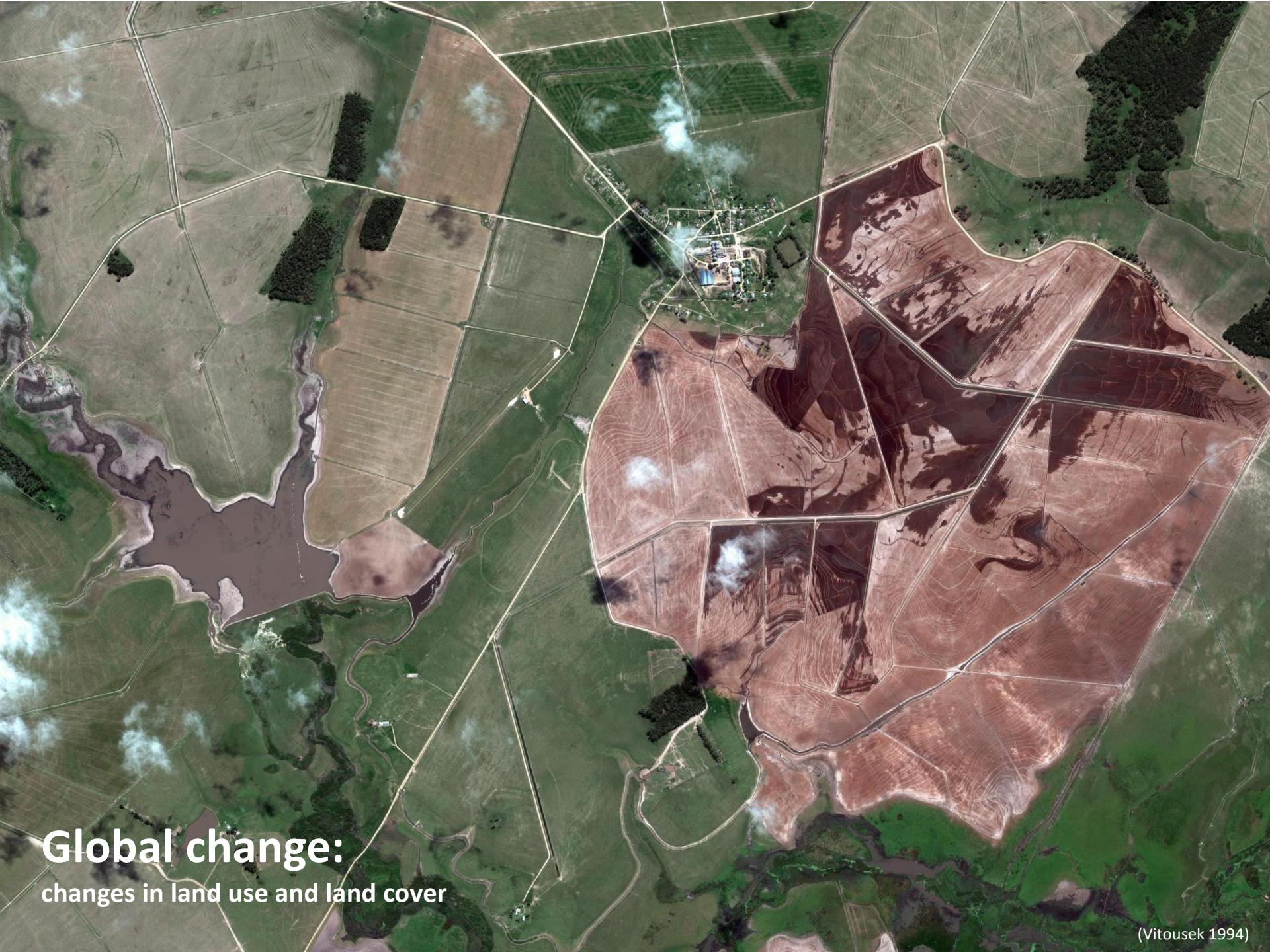
Course: Nutrient Cycling, Modelling and Management from Field to Catchment Scale  
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# Comparative studies of biological interactions and nutrient turnover in temperate and subtropical streams and lakes with different catchment characteristics and nutrient input – a climate change perspective



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# Global change:

changes in land use and land cover

(Vitousek 1994)



**Global change:**  
affectation of patterns of precipitation and the frequency of extreme weather events

(Vitousek 1994; Moss et al 2010)

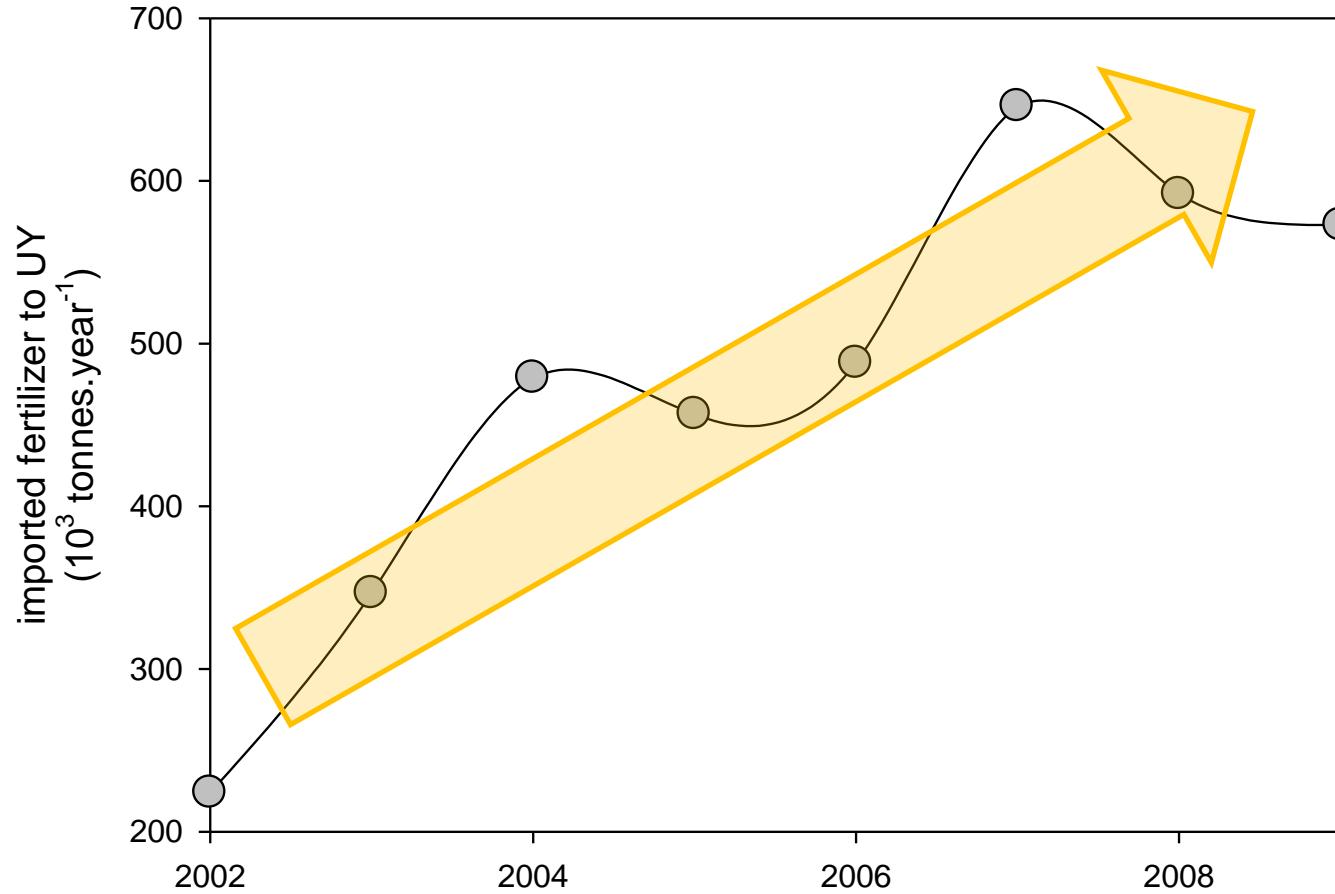


## Global change:

in general terms, warming will exacerbate symptoms of eutrophication, and if the input of nutrients increase, the environmental and health risk increases. Loss of ecosystem services.

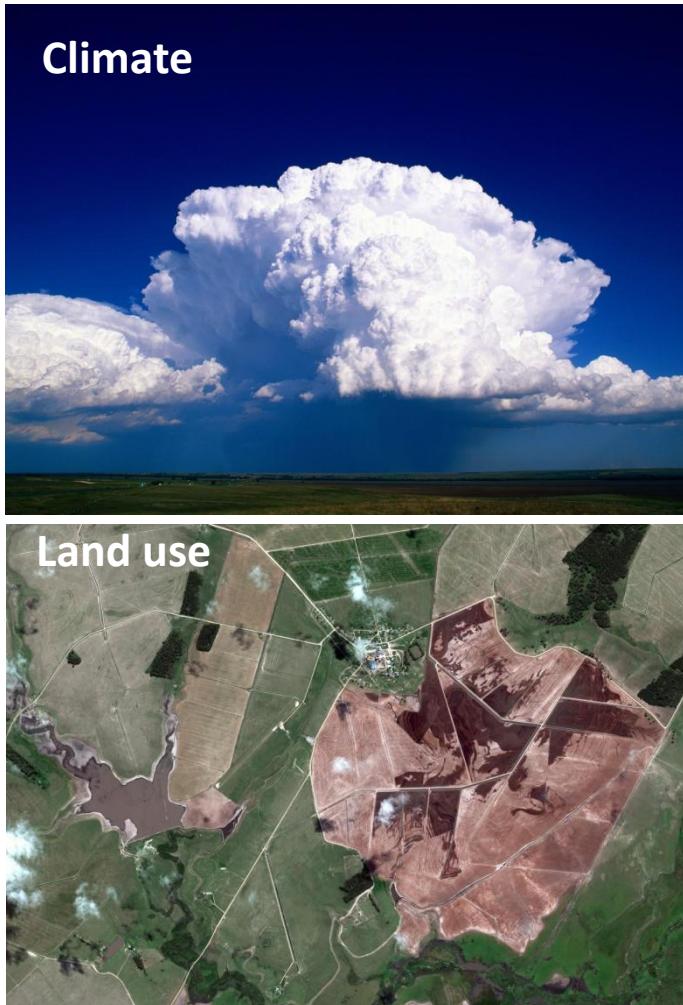
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## Trend

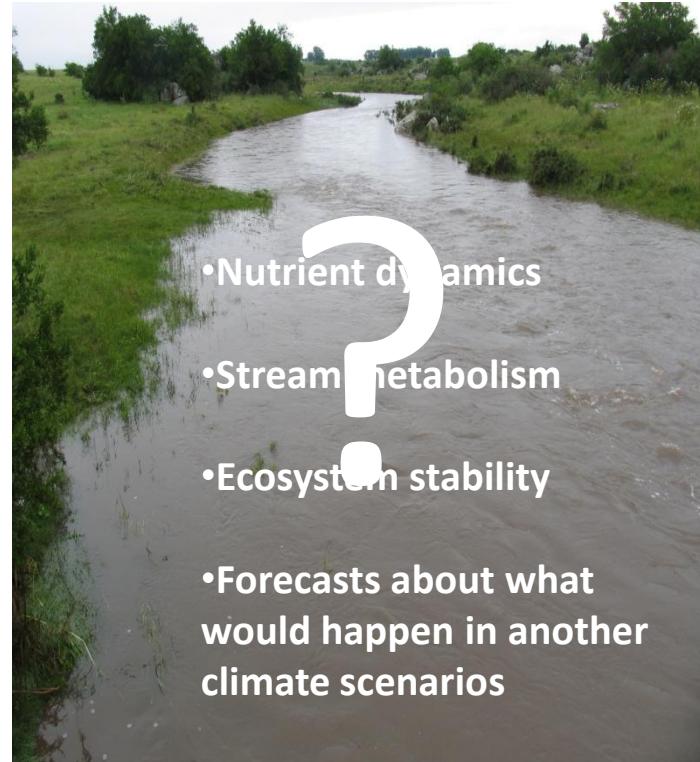


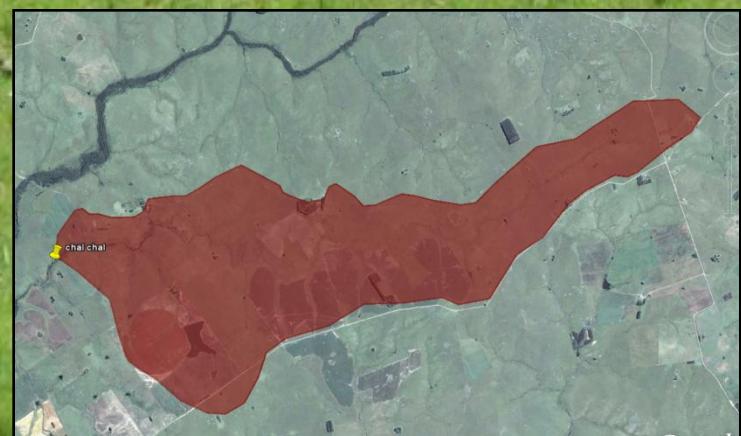
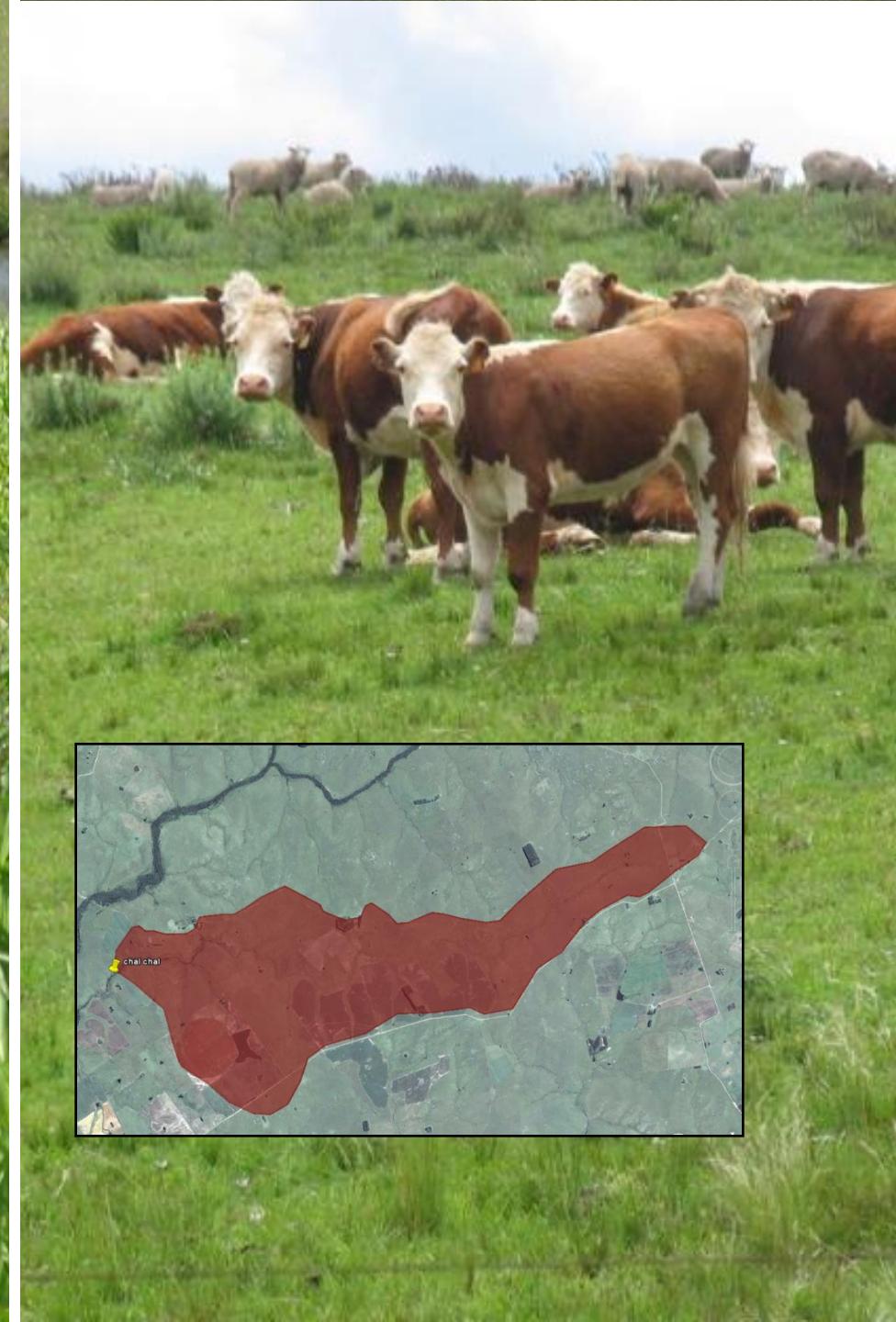
In this context, Uruguay is under a strong intensification process of agriculture.

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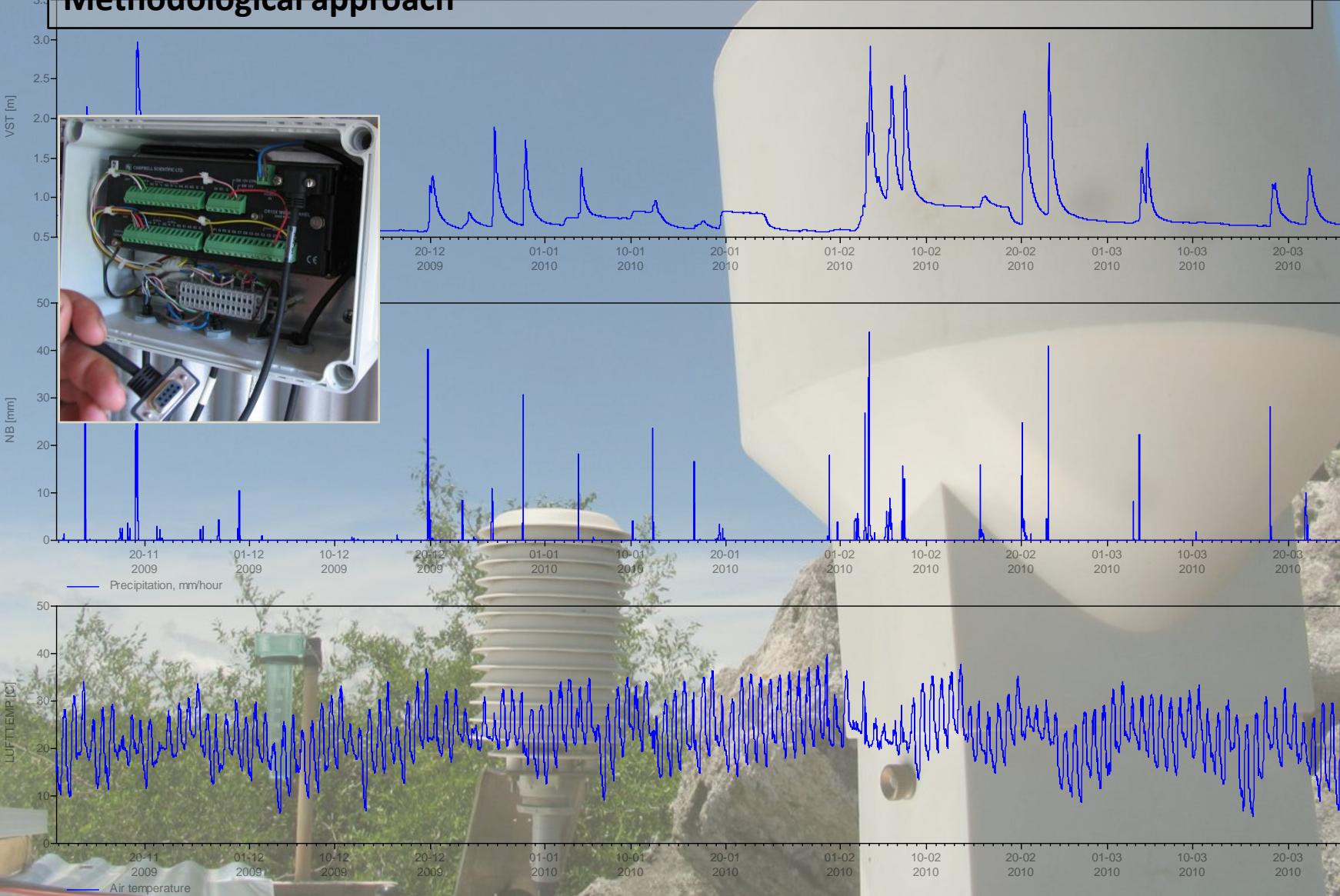
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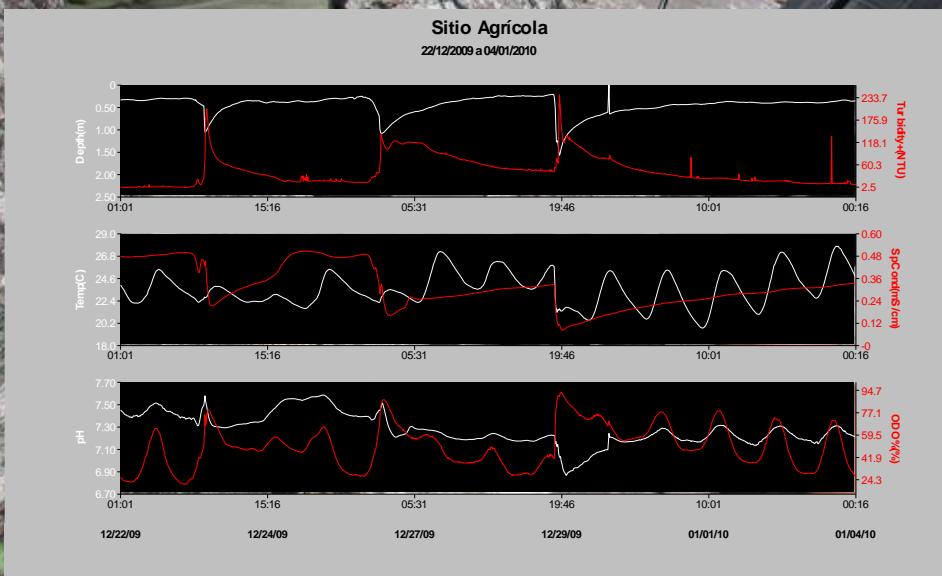
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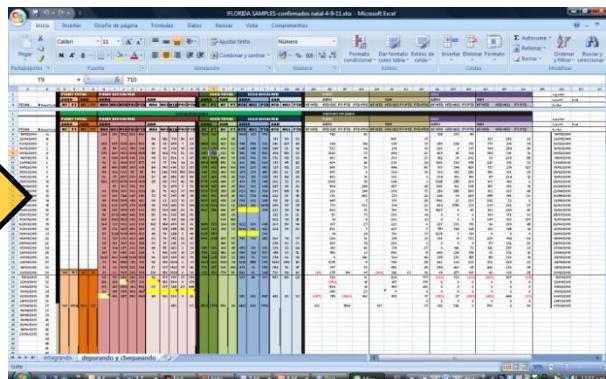
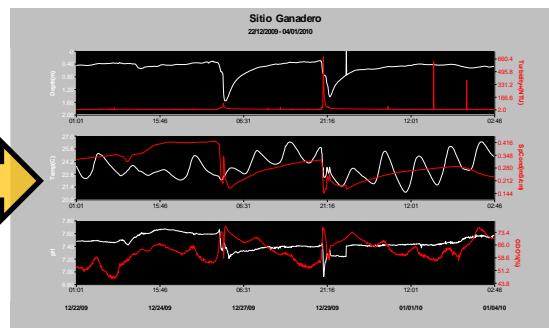
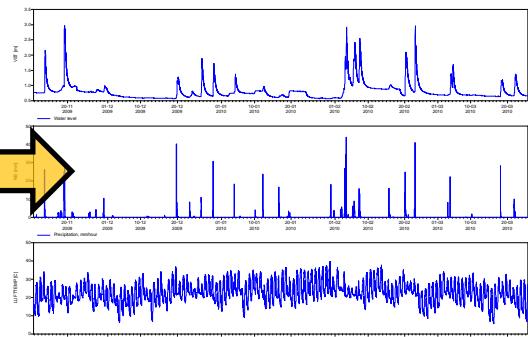
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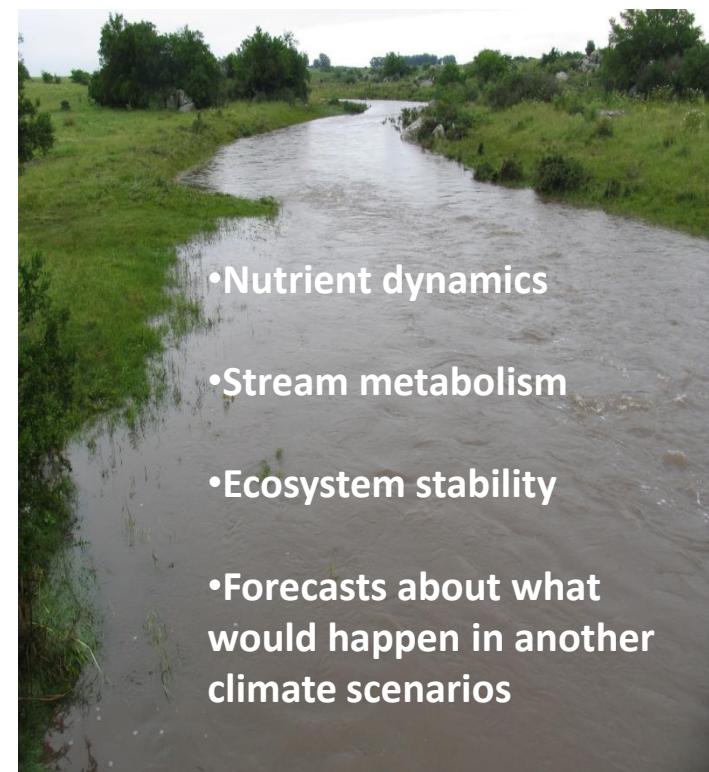
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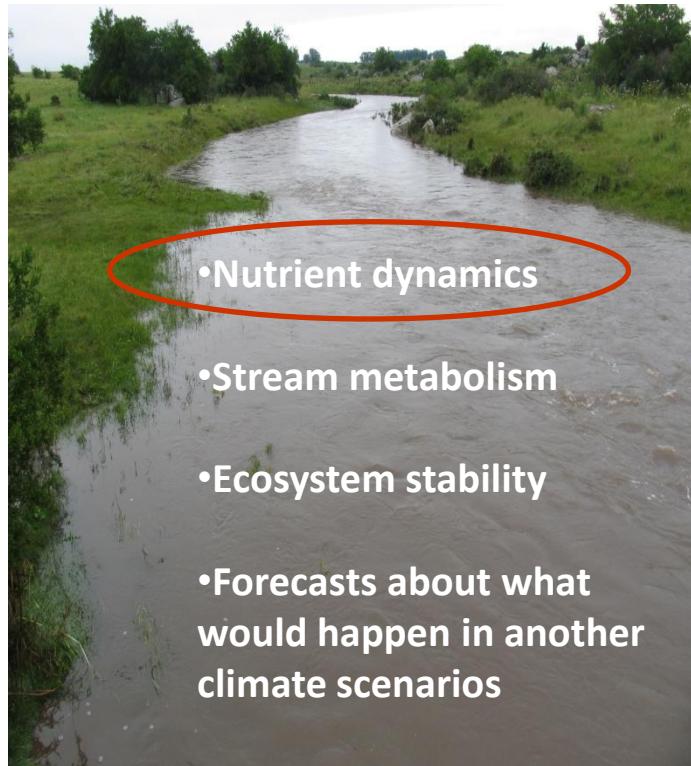
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- Nutrient dynamics
- Stream metabolism
- Ecosystem stability
- Forecasts about what would happen in another climate scenarios

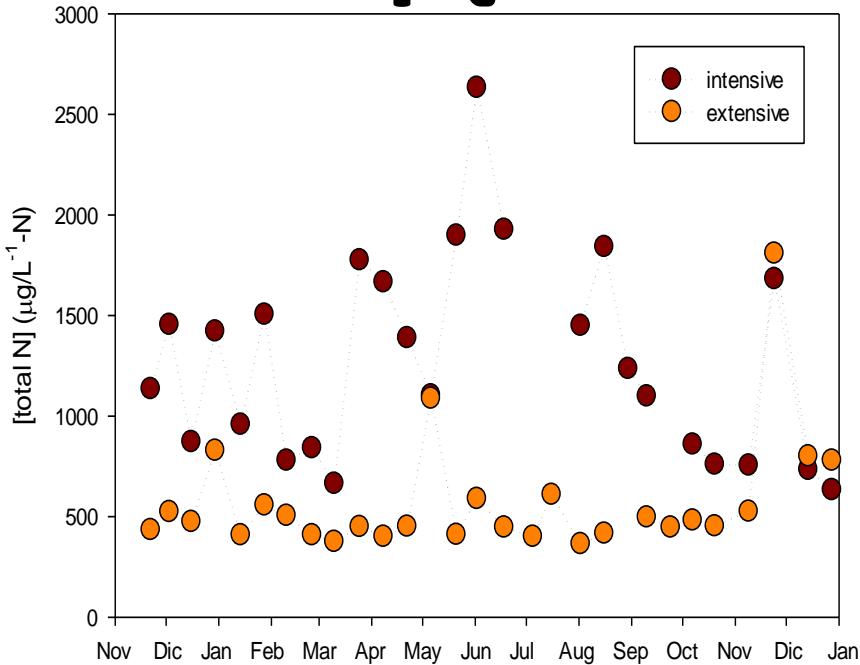
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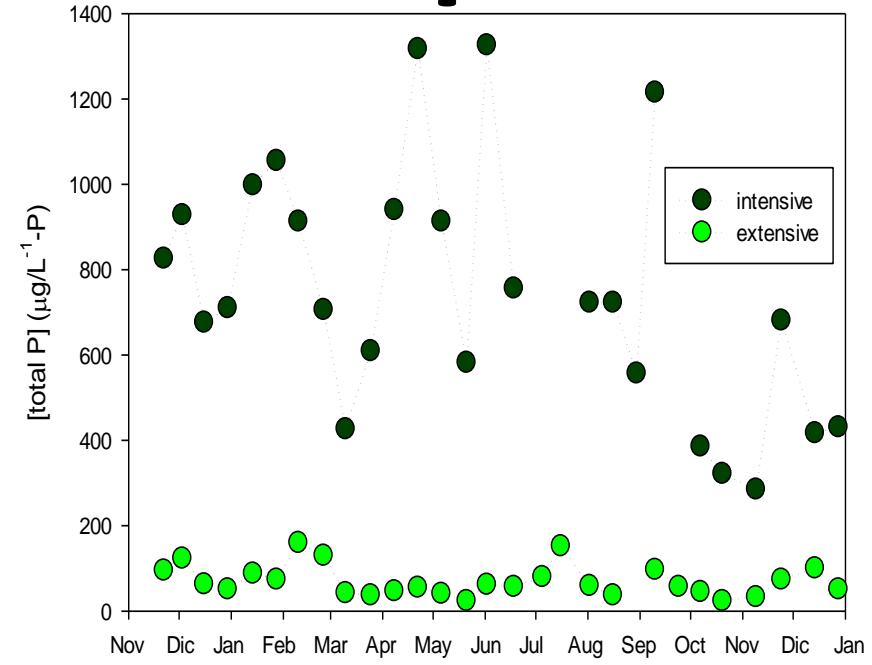


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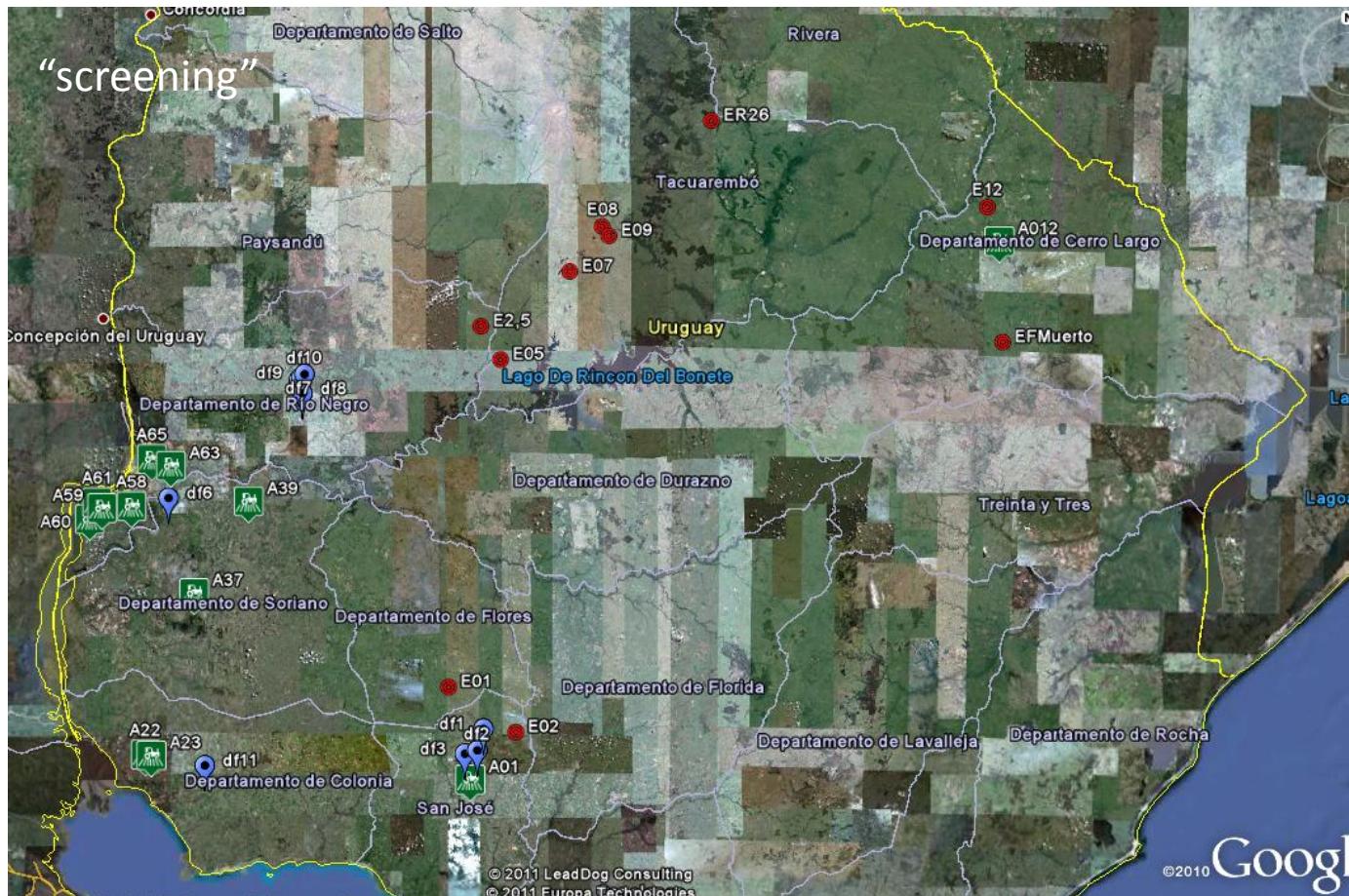
$$[\text{TN}]_{\text{extensive}} = 569 \mu\text{g.L}^{-1} - \text{N}$$

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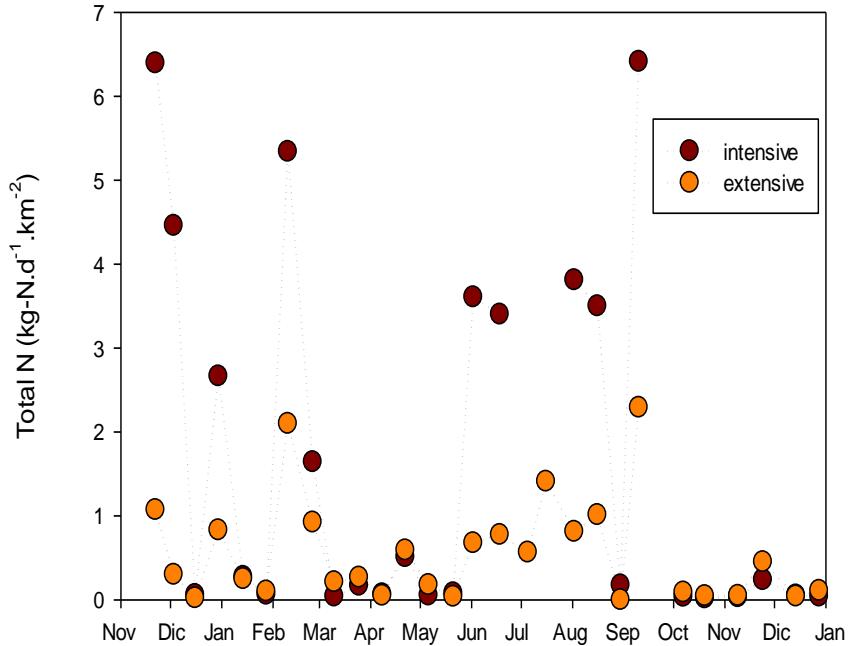
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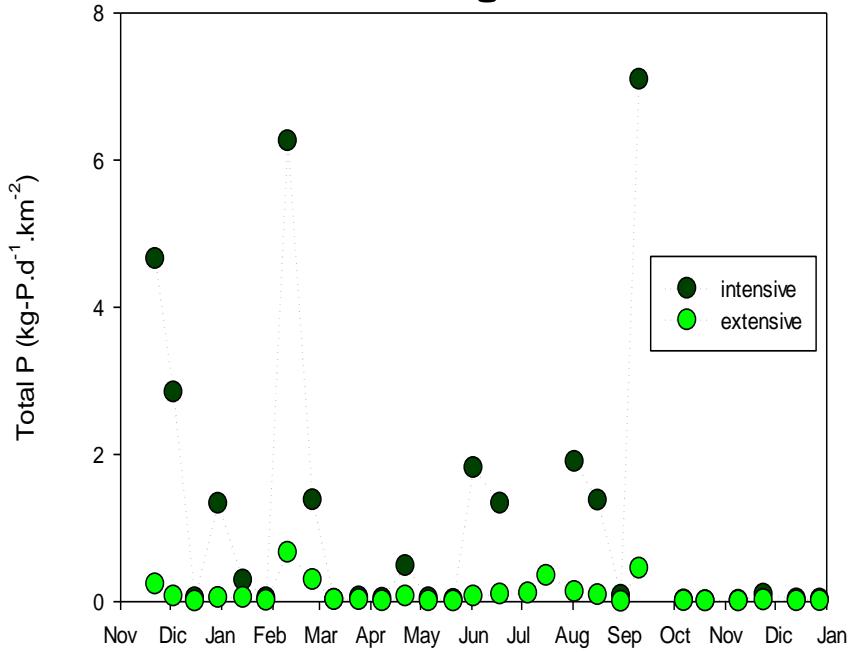


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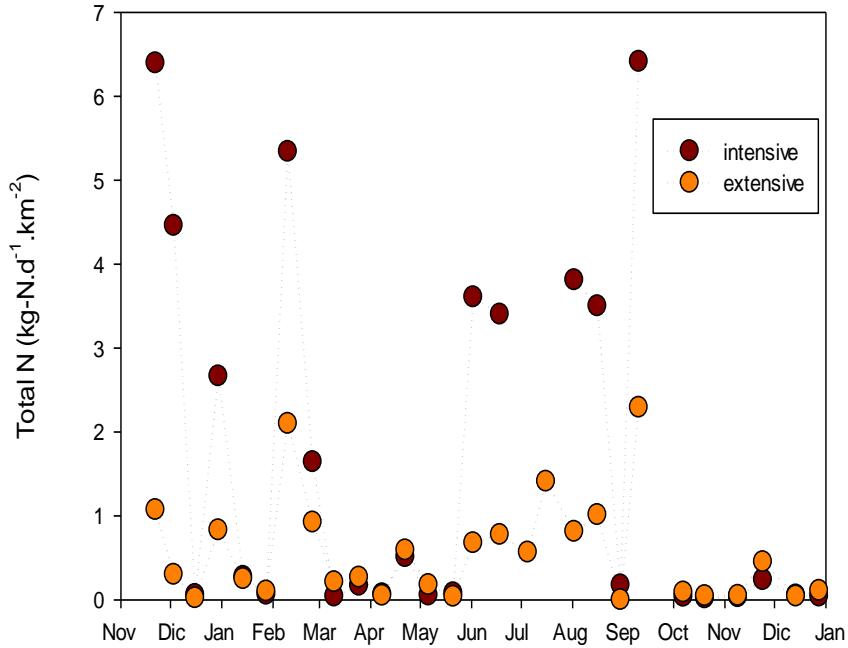
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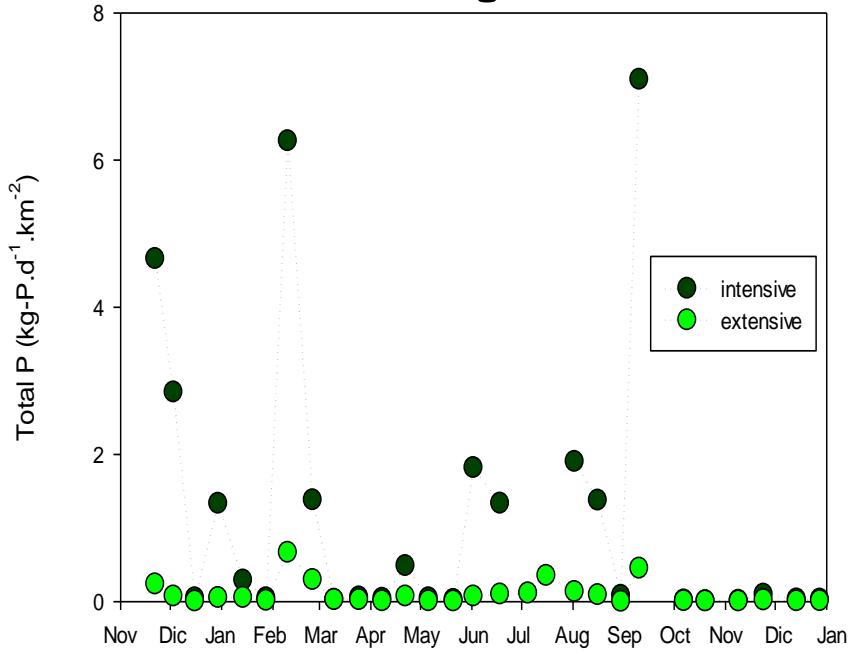
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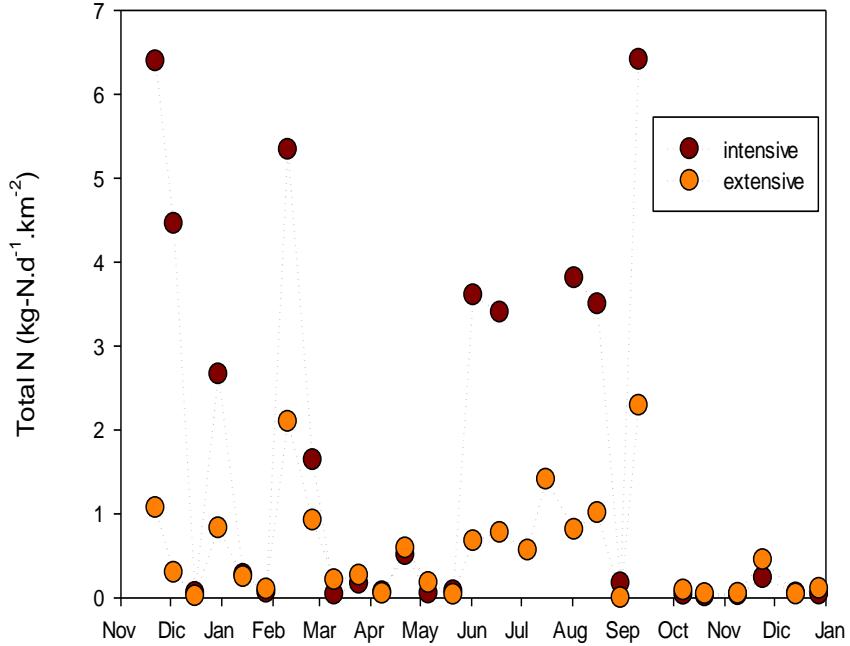
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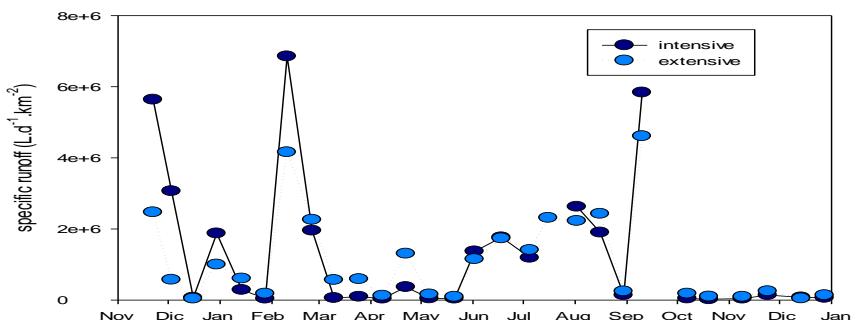
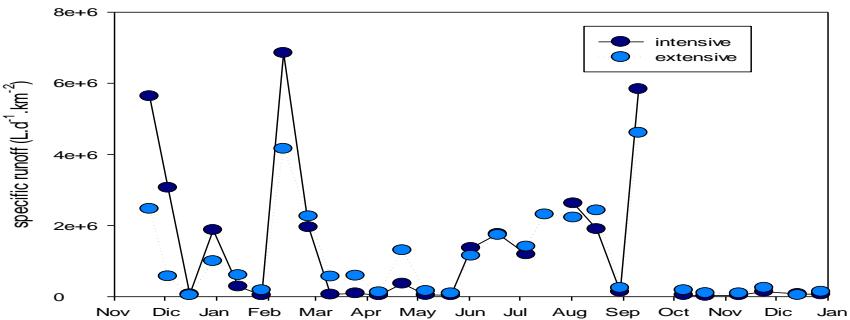
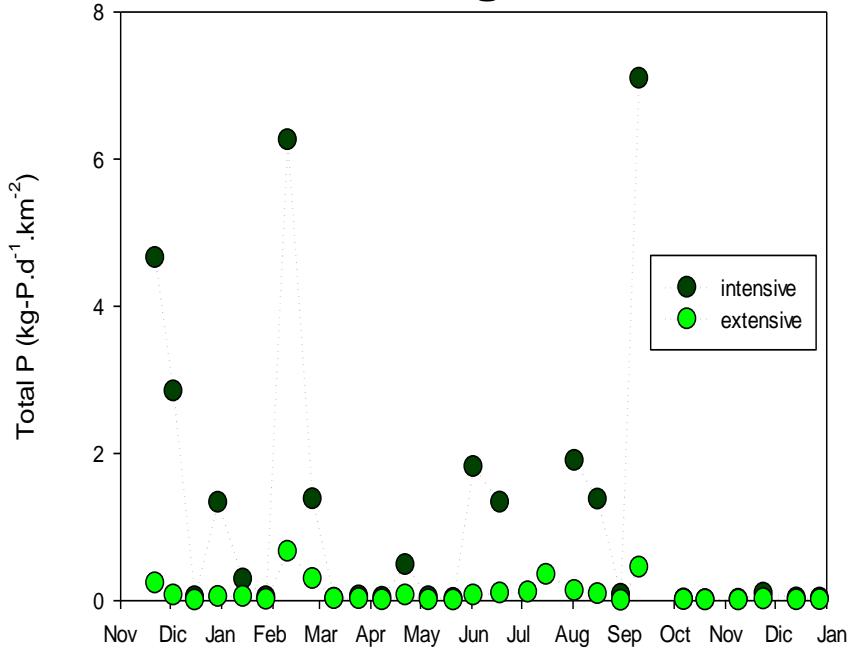
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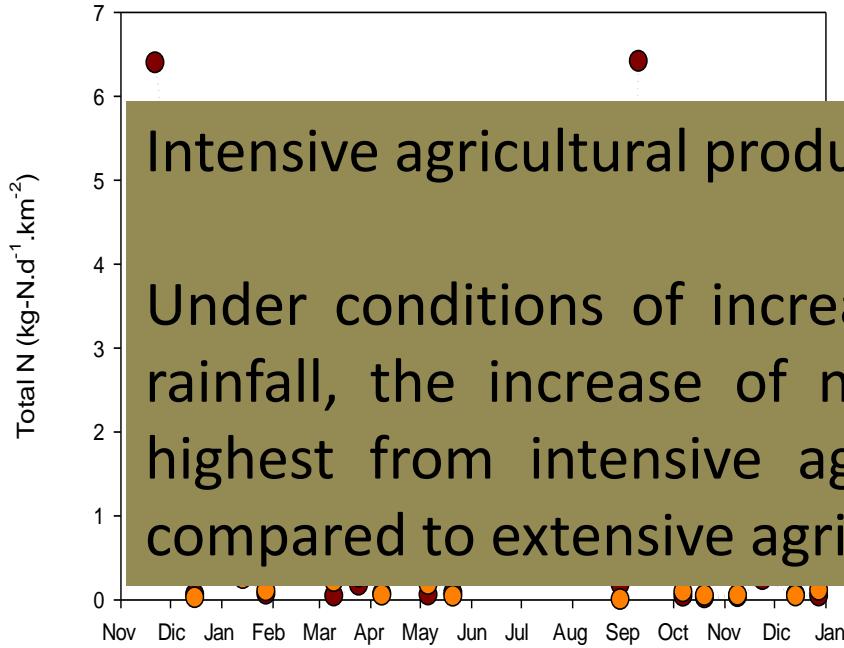


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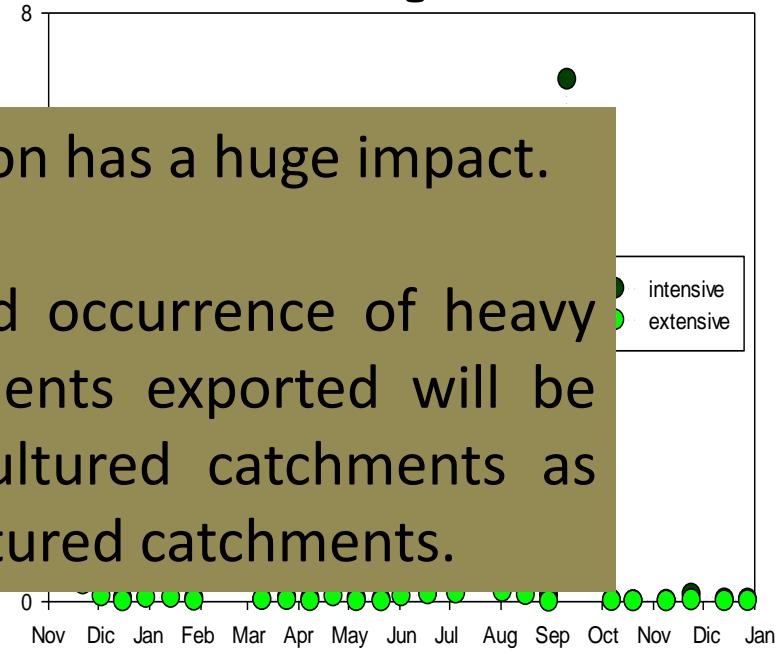


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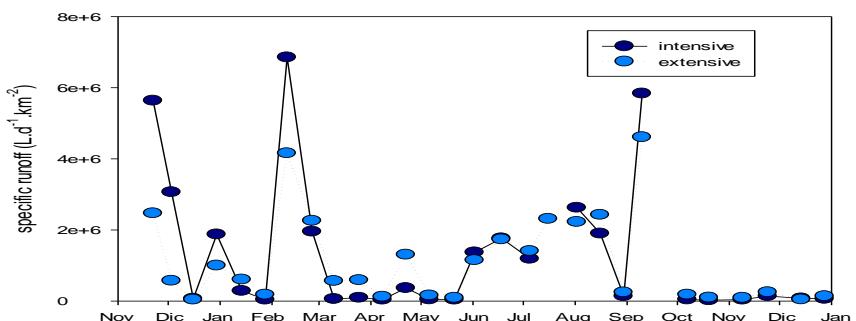
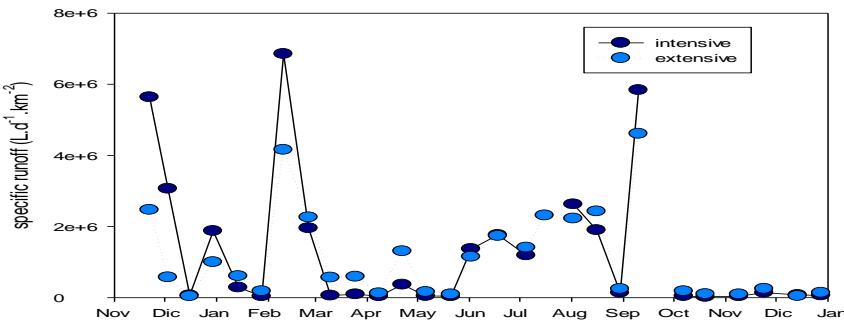


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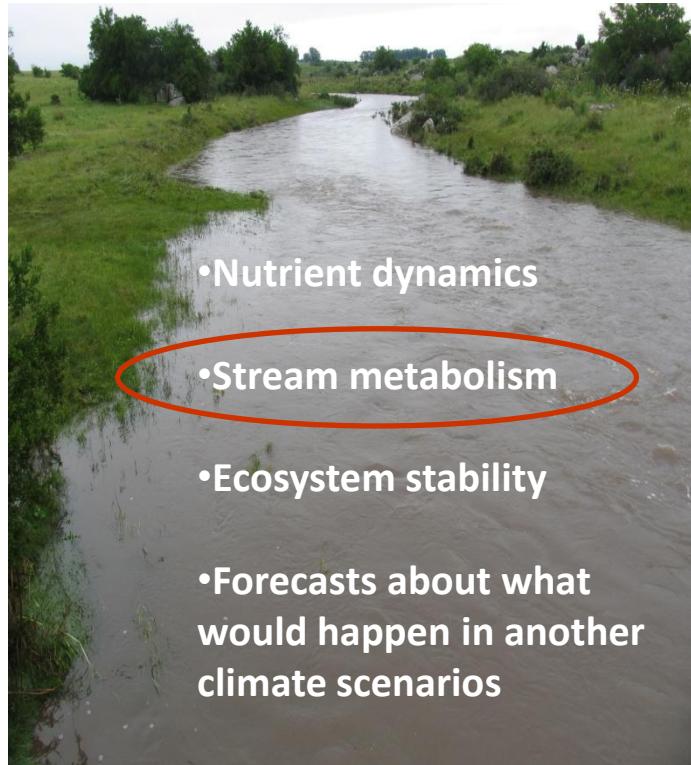
Intensive agricultural production has a huge impact.

Under conditions of increased occurrence of heavy rainfall, the increase of nutrients exported will be highest from intensive agricultured catchments as compared to extensive agricultured catchments.

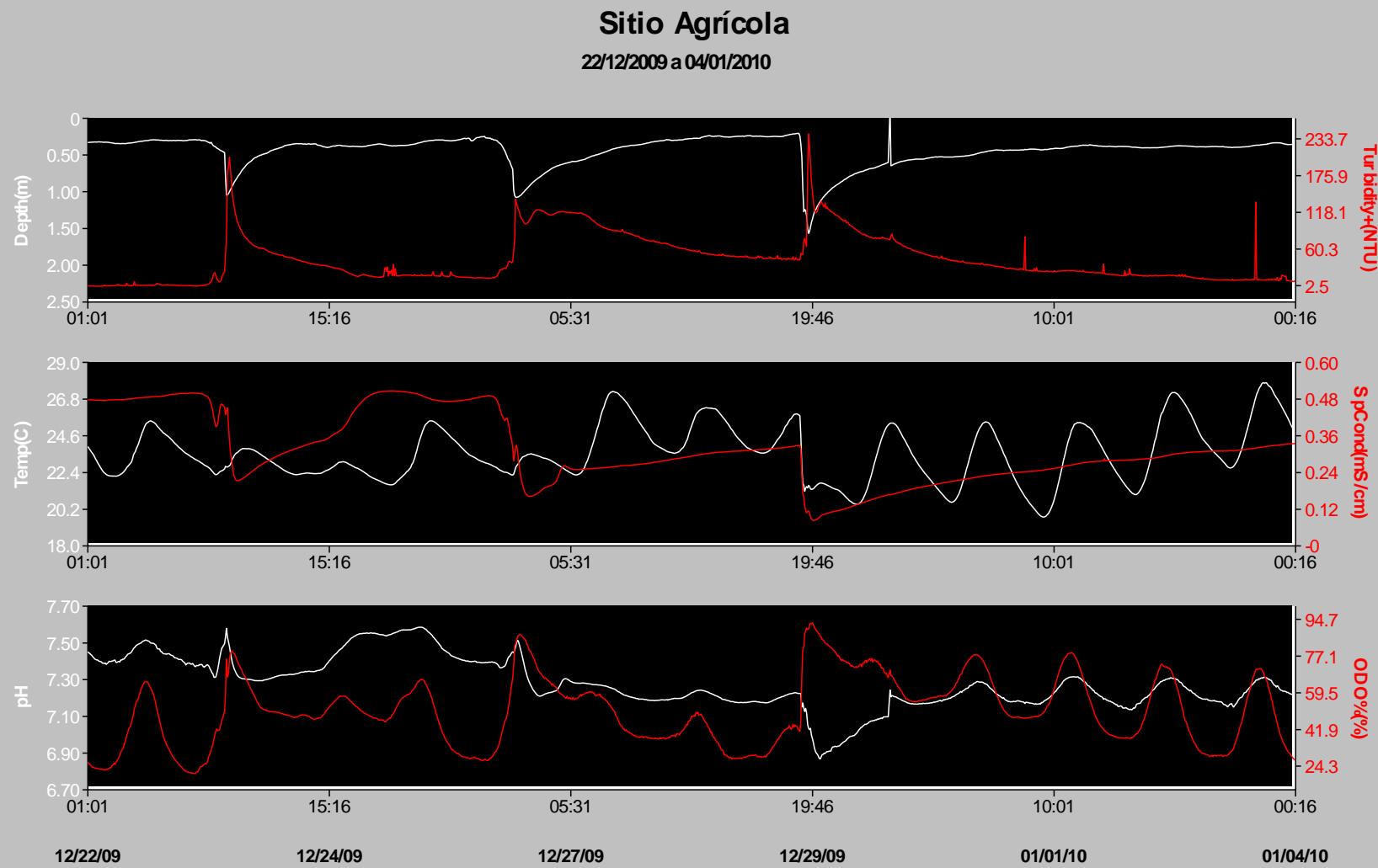


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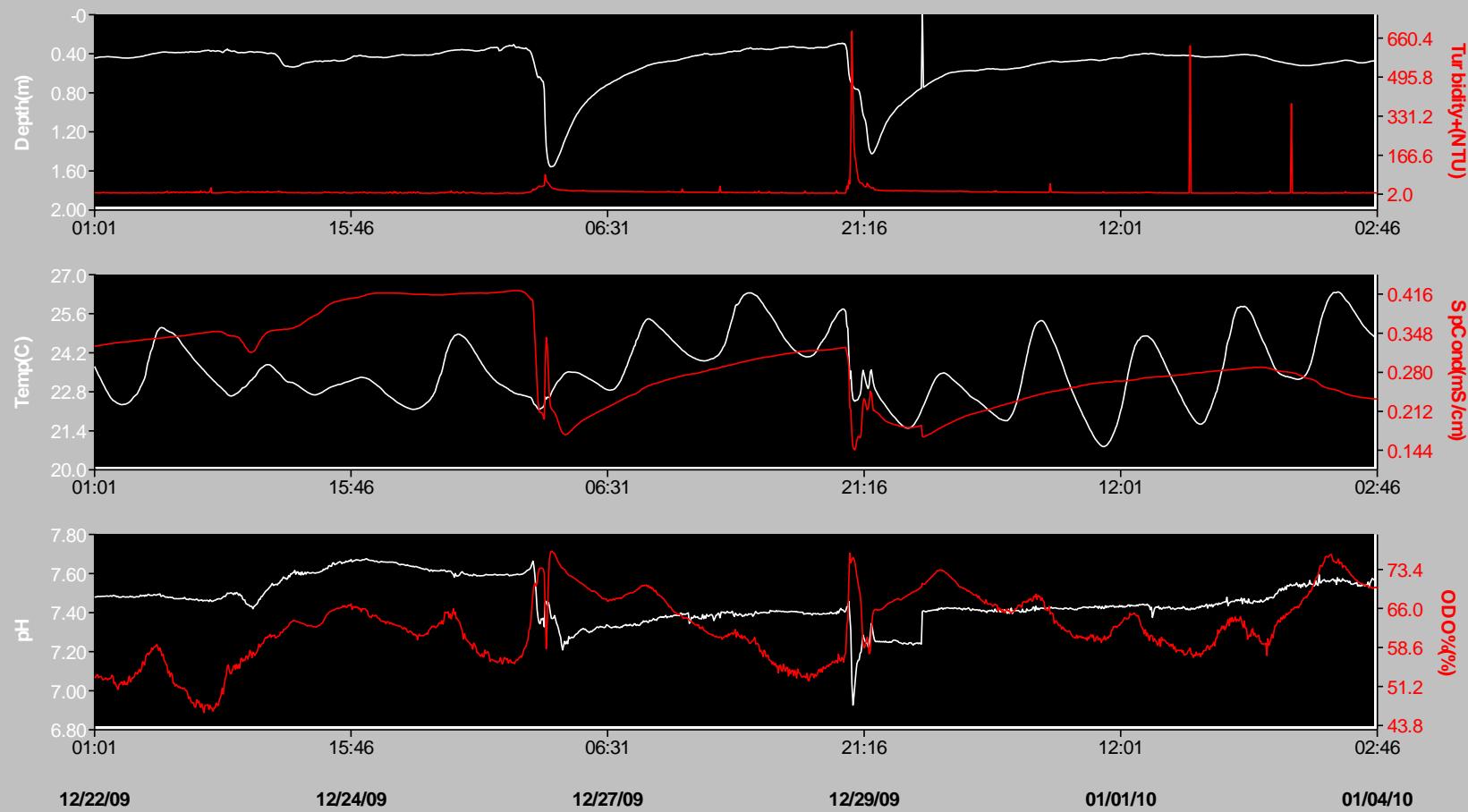
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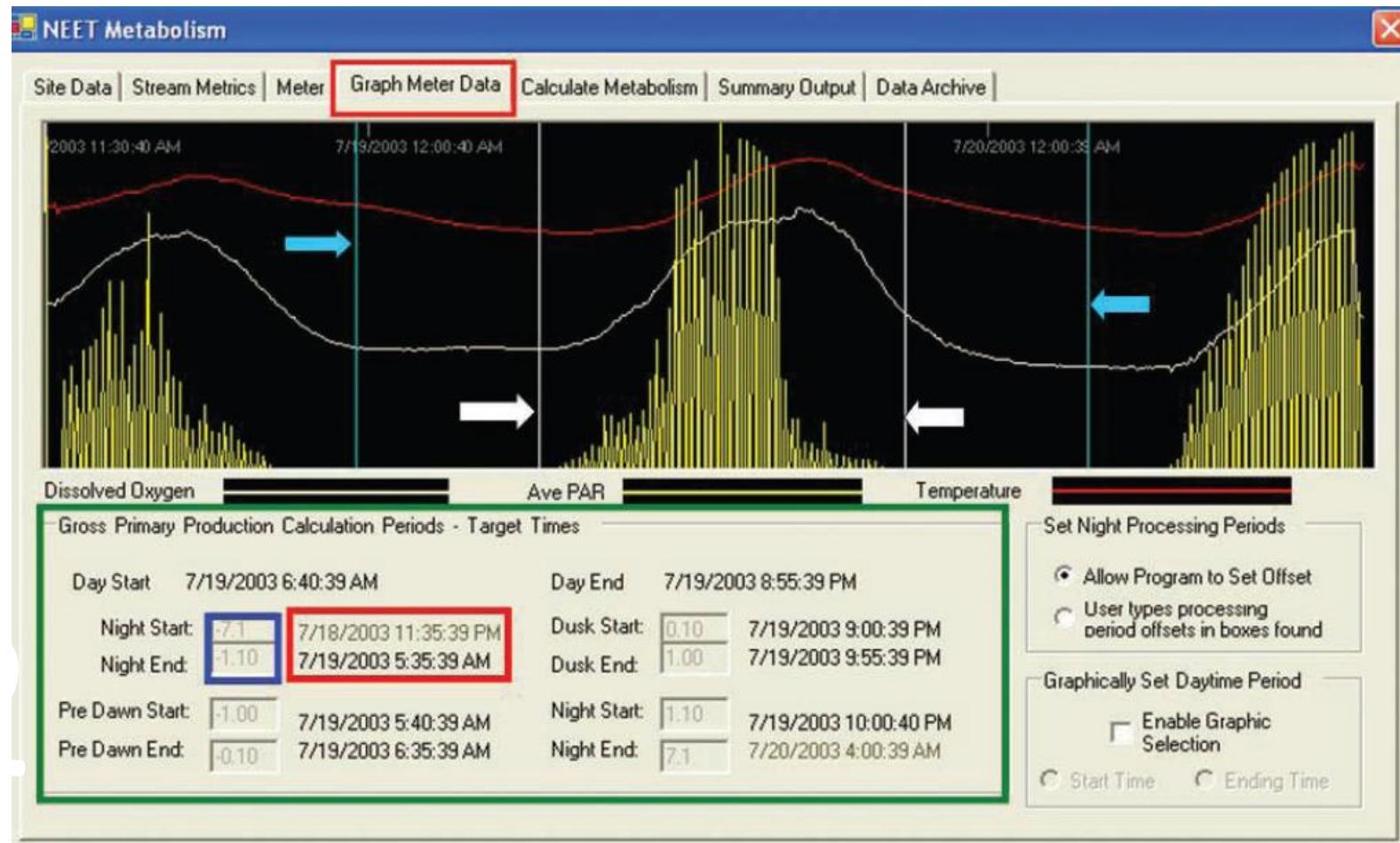
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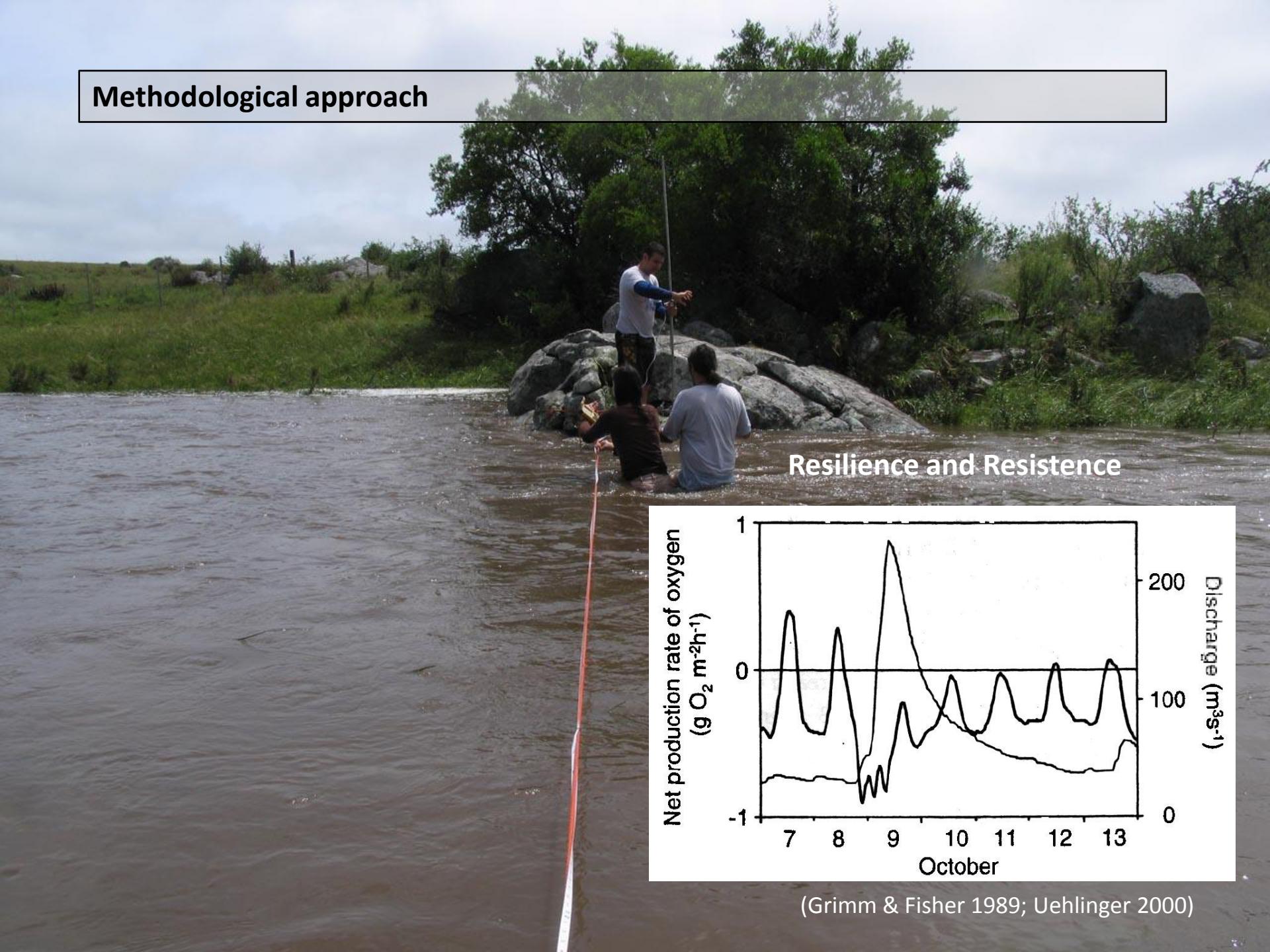


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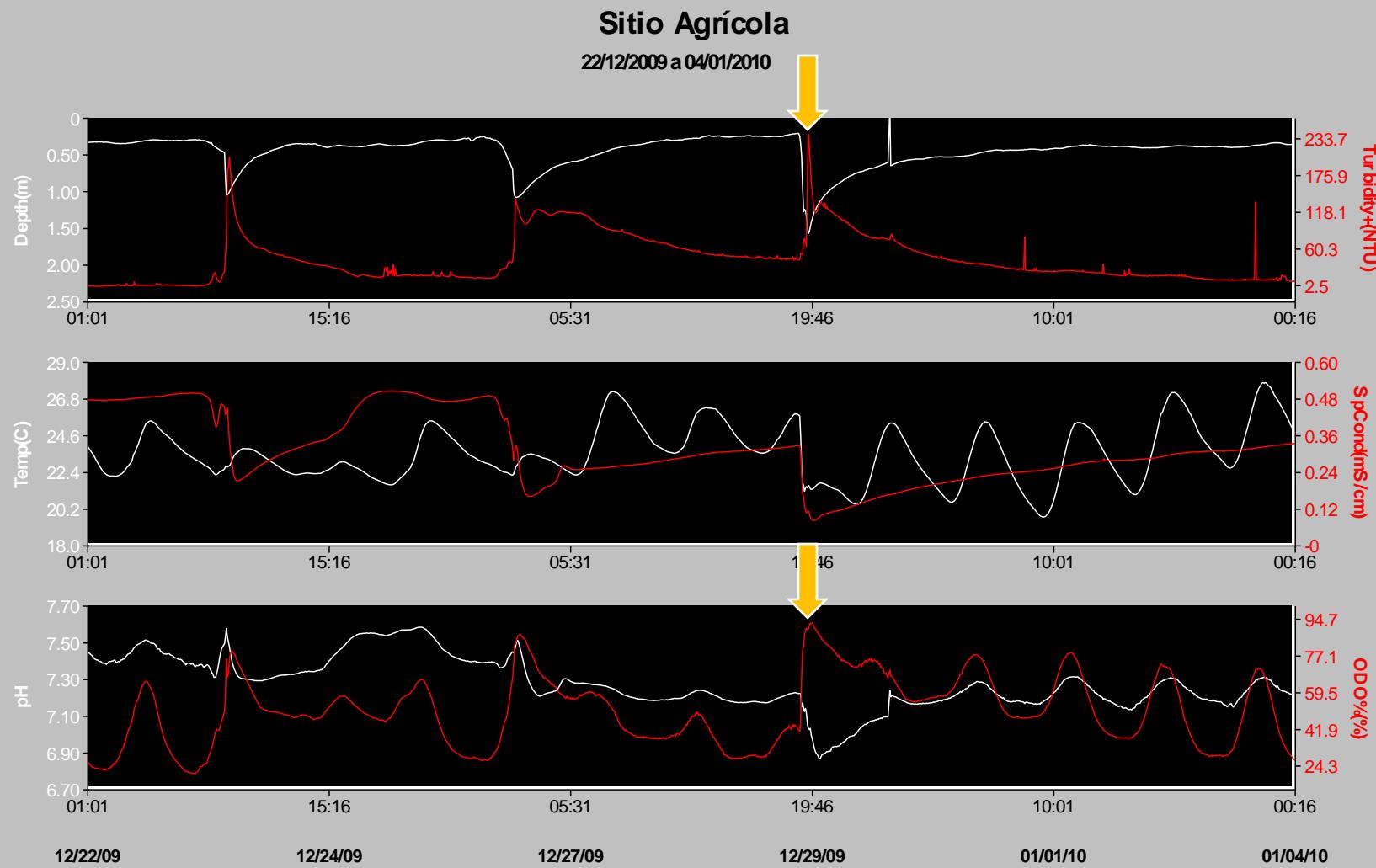
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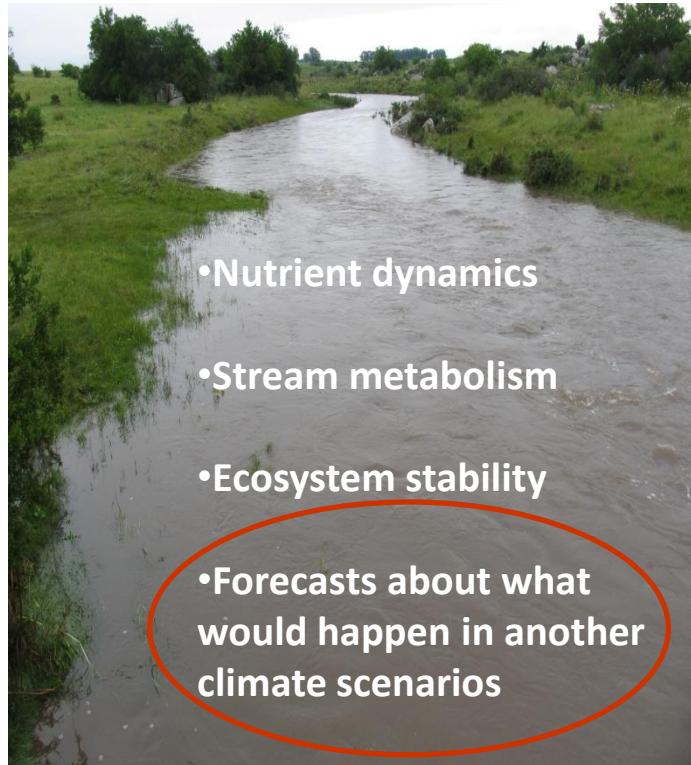
Conservative solute

Spiraling length  
Uptake length

(Payn et al 2005)

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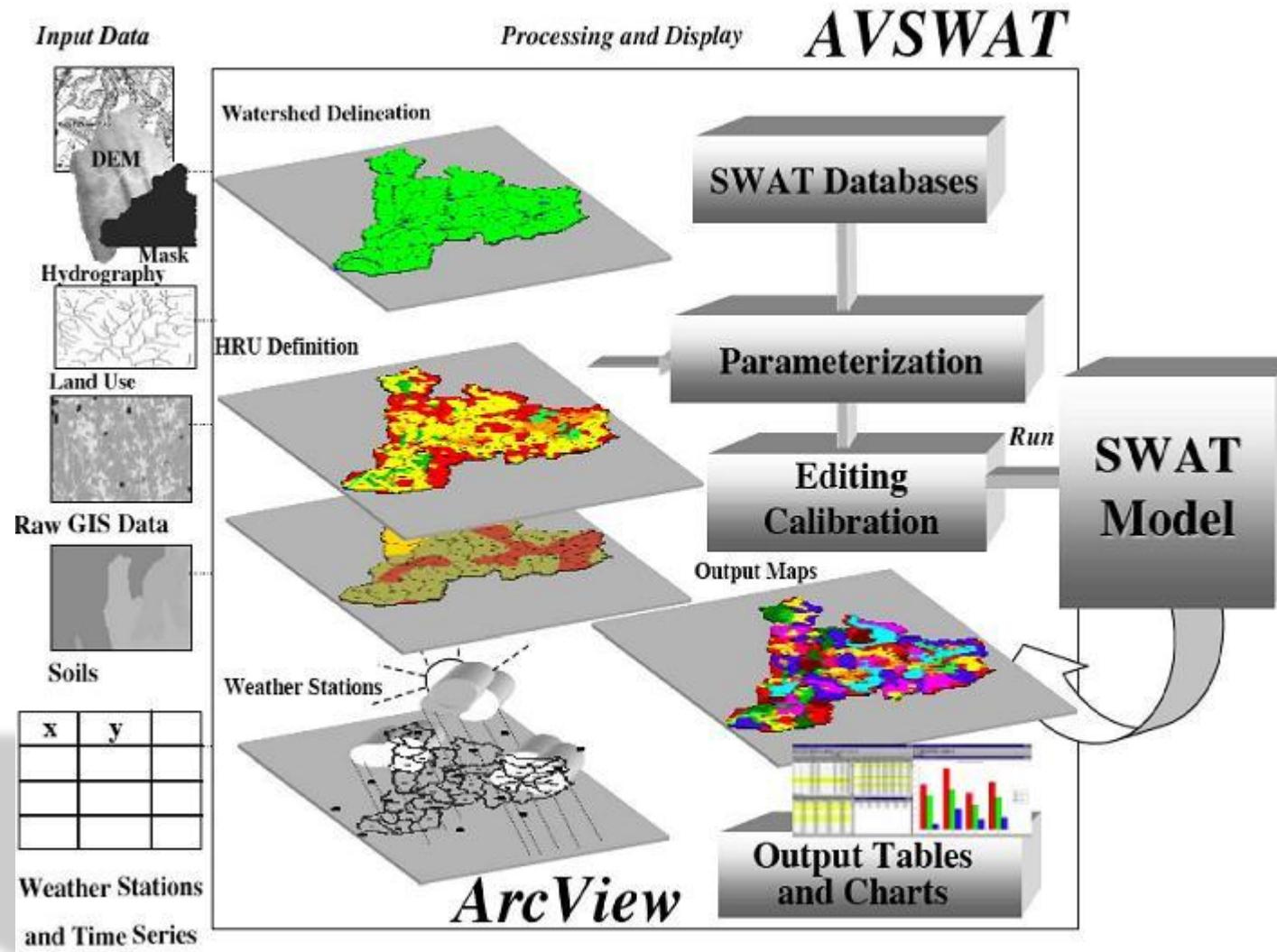
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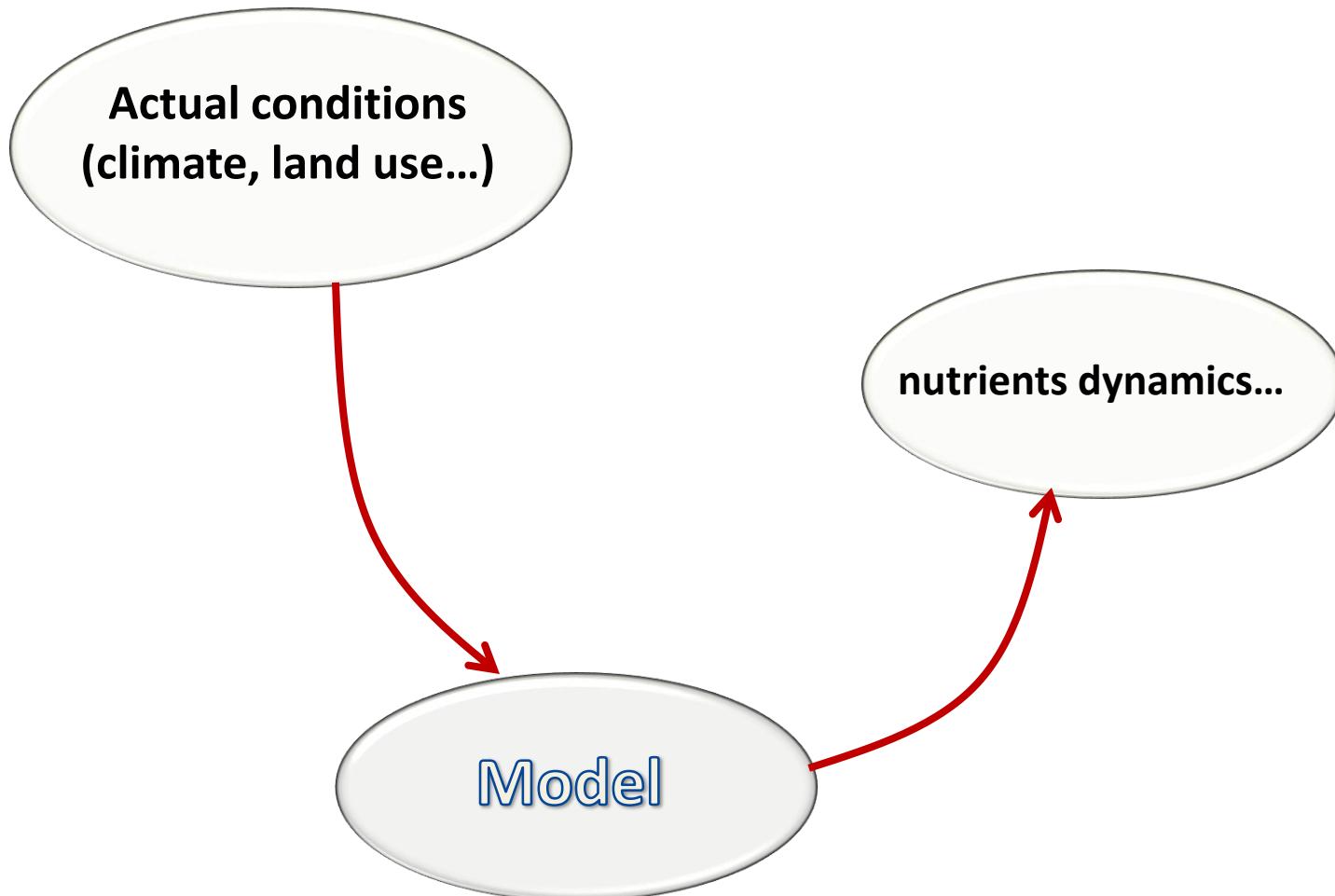
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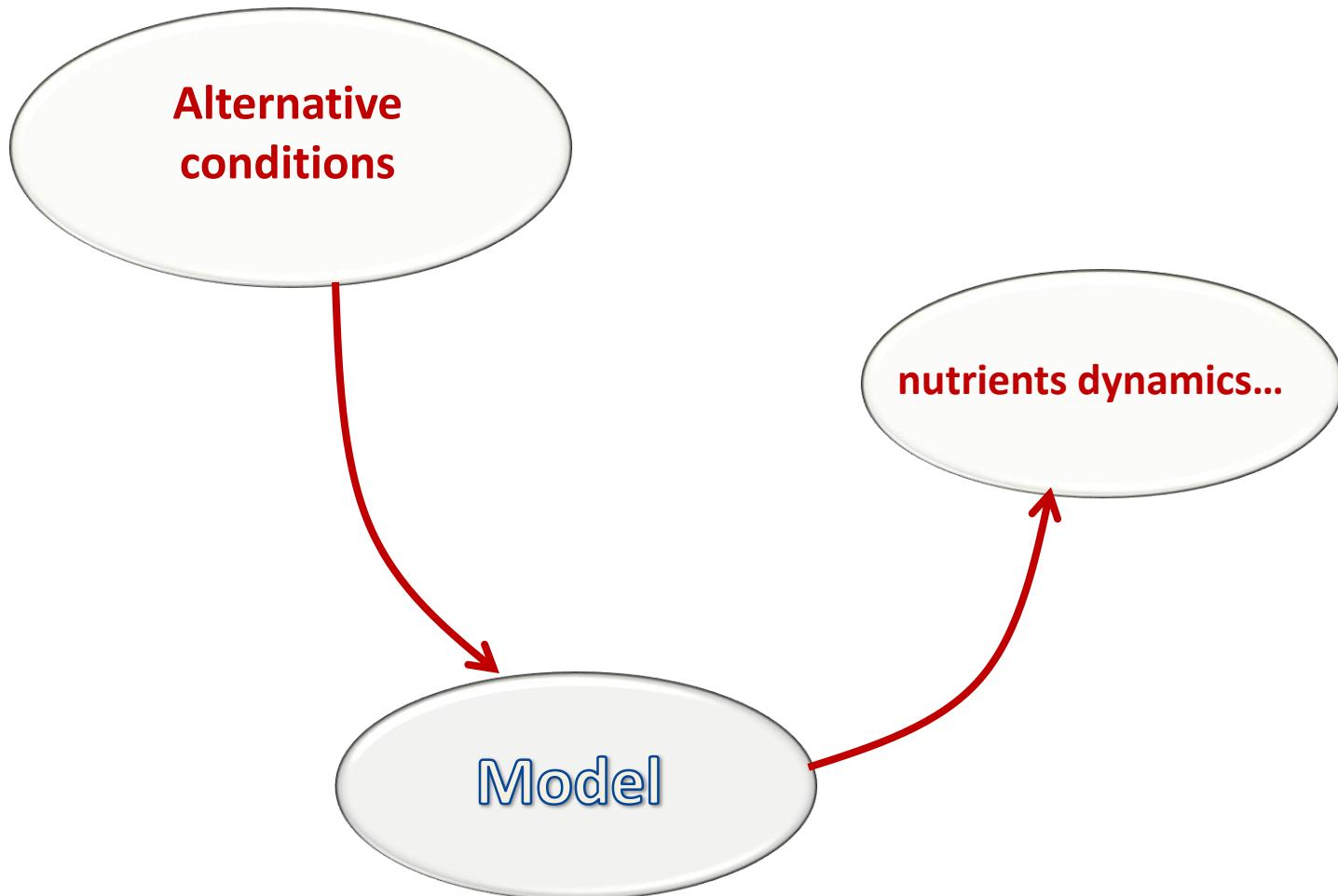
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