Evaluating progress and restoration planning in the Yakima Basin: a re-examine of the EDT Framework and Model

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We use models to

- Improve our understanding and provide insights into complex systems
 - Habitat and species survival
 - Progress towards goals
- Identify monitoring and research priorities
- Explore effects of alternative strategies
- Support decision-making



Ecosystem Diagnosis & Treatment

- A watershed approach to restoration planning
- A framework for learning
- A repository of knowledge, information and operating assumptions
- A set of tools for comparing current, past, and future scenarios
- A locally managed expert system



Yakima Basin and EDT

- YKFP Yakima Basin habitat and hatchery planning
- NWPPC Yakima Subbasin Planning
- Bureau of Reclamation Yakima River Basin Water Storage Feasibility Study
- Yakama Nation Yakima summer Chinook reintroduction
- BOR/DOE Integrated Water Resource Management Plan



Next Generation of EDT (EDT3)Transparency

- Ability to share datasets, hypothesis, and results among interested entities
- EDT computer code viewable and an open invitation to users to suggest improvements
- Ability view the Species-Habitat relationships in the model



Next Generation of EDT (EDT3)Flexible

 Ability refine or create new Species-Habitat relationships in the model

 Ability to connect geometry sets across the species life history



Next Generation of EDT (EDT3) Modern Software Desktop Application, Web-services, Integrated Software System Windows 7 Compatible GIS Integration













Ecosystem Diagnosis and Treatment



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File Ecosystems Diagnosis Document

Treatment

Report Name

Environmental Attribute

Tools About

Description

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- Public Private
- Performance
- San Joaquin
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- Life_History
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- Reach_Attribute_Diagnostics

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Create	Report	environmental scenarios using Patient- Template analysis		
Create	Life History Report	Describes the life history expressed by a focal species in an environment	Trajectory set	
Create	Performance Report	Describes the LvI5 performance for a focal species exposed to an environment	Trajectory set and corresponding Lvl 2, 3, or 4 attribute set(s)	
Create	Population Attribute Diagnostics	Describes the Lvl3 sensitivity of one focal species to two environmental scenarios using Patient-Template analysis	Two lvl 2 or lvl 3 derived performance reports	
Create	Life Stage Attribute Diagnostics	Describes the LvI3 sensitivity of each life stage of one focal species to two environmental scenarios using Patient- Template analysis	Two lvl 2 or lvl 3 derived performance reports	
Create	Diagnostic Unit Attribute Diagnostics	Describes the LvI3 sensitivity of each life stage in each Diagnostic Unit of one focal species to two environmental scenarios using Patient-Template analysis	Two lvl 2 or lvl 3 derived performance reports	
Create	Reach Attribute Diagnostics	Describes the Lvl3 sensitivity of each life stage in each reach of one focal species to two environmental scenarios using Patient-Template analysis	Two lvl 2 or lvl 3 derived performance reports	
Create	Diagnostic Unit Prioritization	Describes the LvI5 sensitivity of a focal species to two (restoration) or three (restoration-degradation) environmental scenarios at the Diagnostic Unit level using Patient- Template analysis	Two (restoration) or three (restoration- degradation) Ivl 2, 3, or 4 performance reports	

Requirements

Describes the change in environmental Two or more IvI 2 or IvI 3 attribute sets



Yakima Basin and EDT

- Understanding the effect of habitat on species survival and abundance is key to achieving restoration goals
- Connect existing and new information to restoration planning
- Track progress
- Help develop and document working hypotheses
- Support decision making for future investments





Questions?





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