

Grand Canyon Monitoring and Research Center



Managing Data Resources and Online Content for GCMRC & GCDAMP

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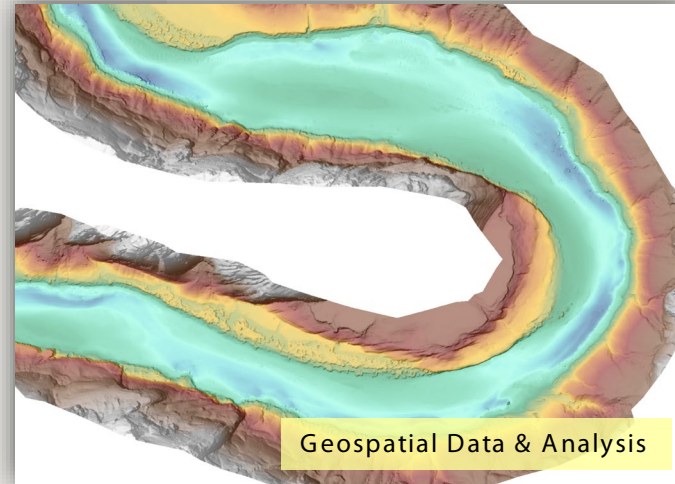
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Project K: Geospatial Science and Technology

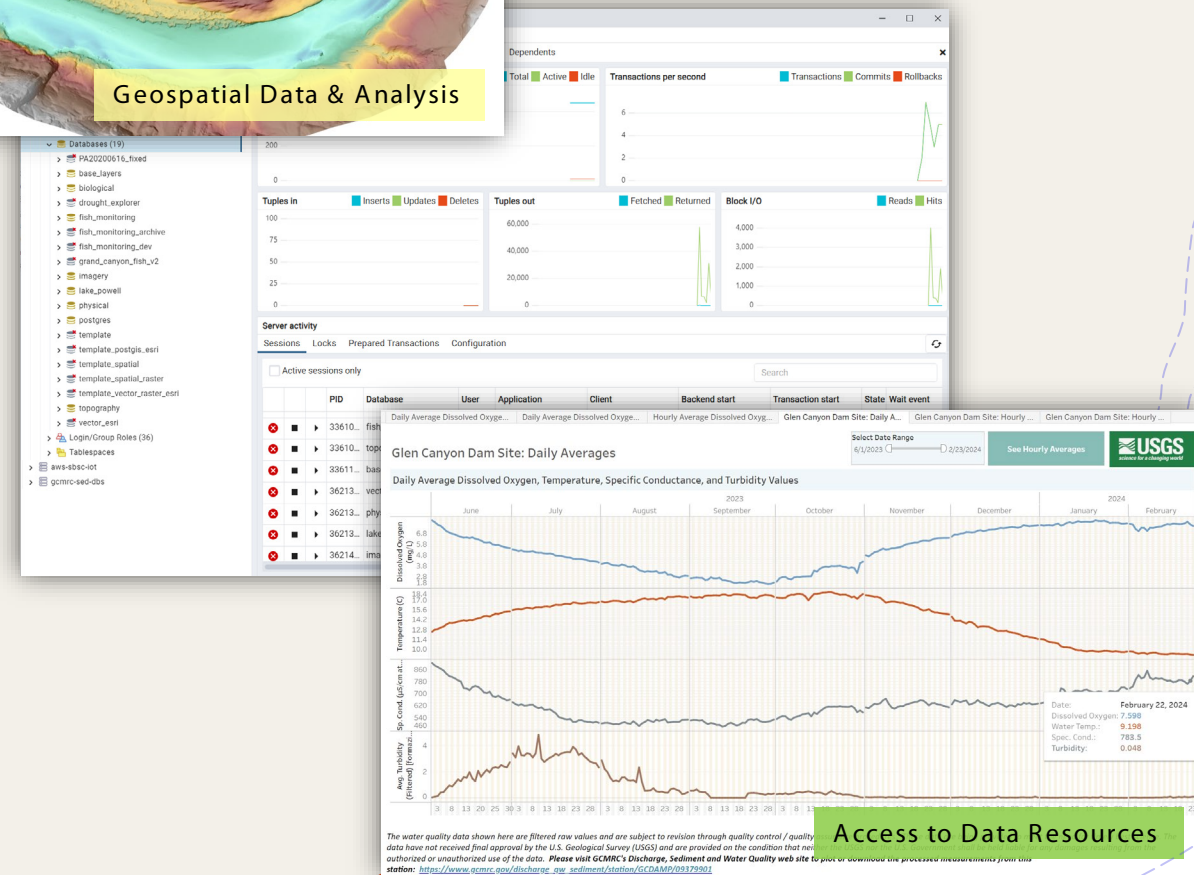
Project Elements

- K.1. Geospatial Data & Analysis
- K.2. Data Management / Data Science
- K.3. Access to Data Resources



Science Projects and LTEMP Goals

- Most GCMRC projects are supported by K.
- Support 8 of the 11 LTEMP Goals with a wide array of activities across all Project K elements
- Often leveraging newer technologies to achieve science project objectives
- Center-wide support through the development of data systems and a range of data resources



Geospatial Data & Analysis



Project Elements

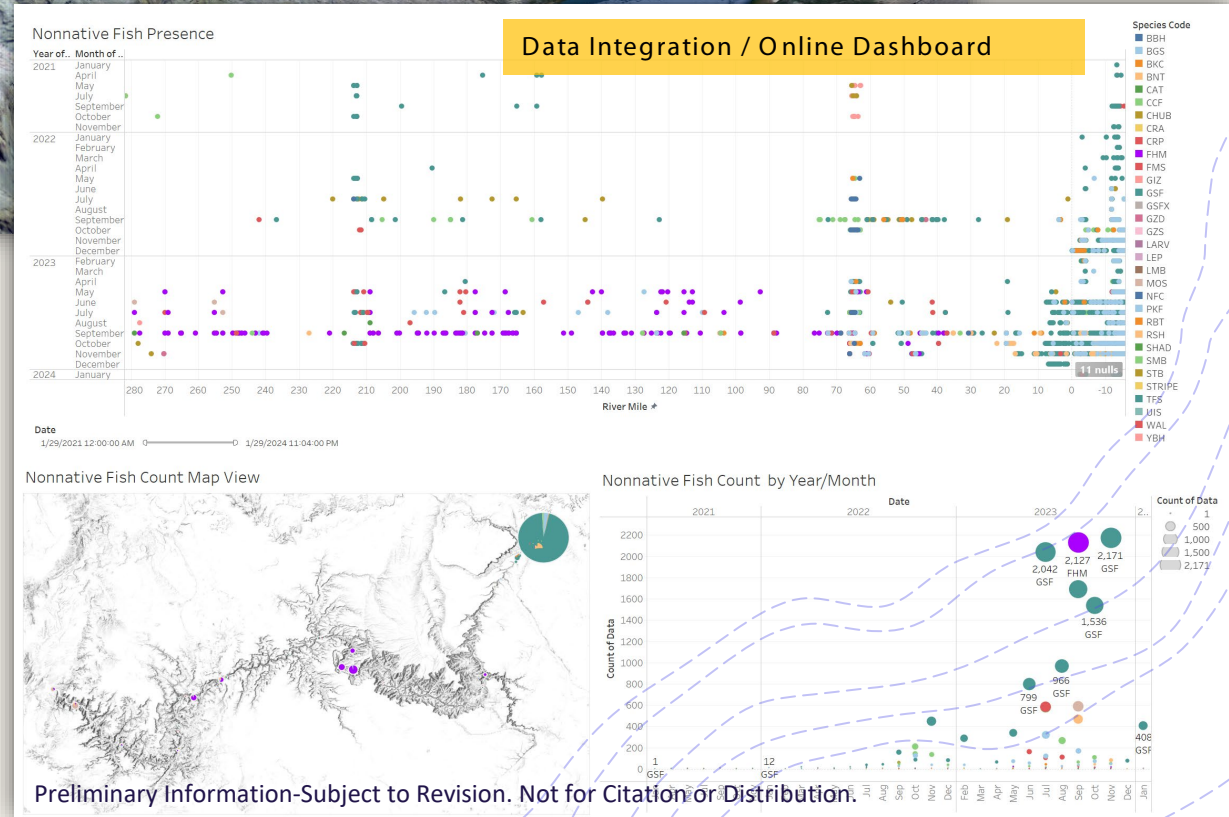
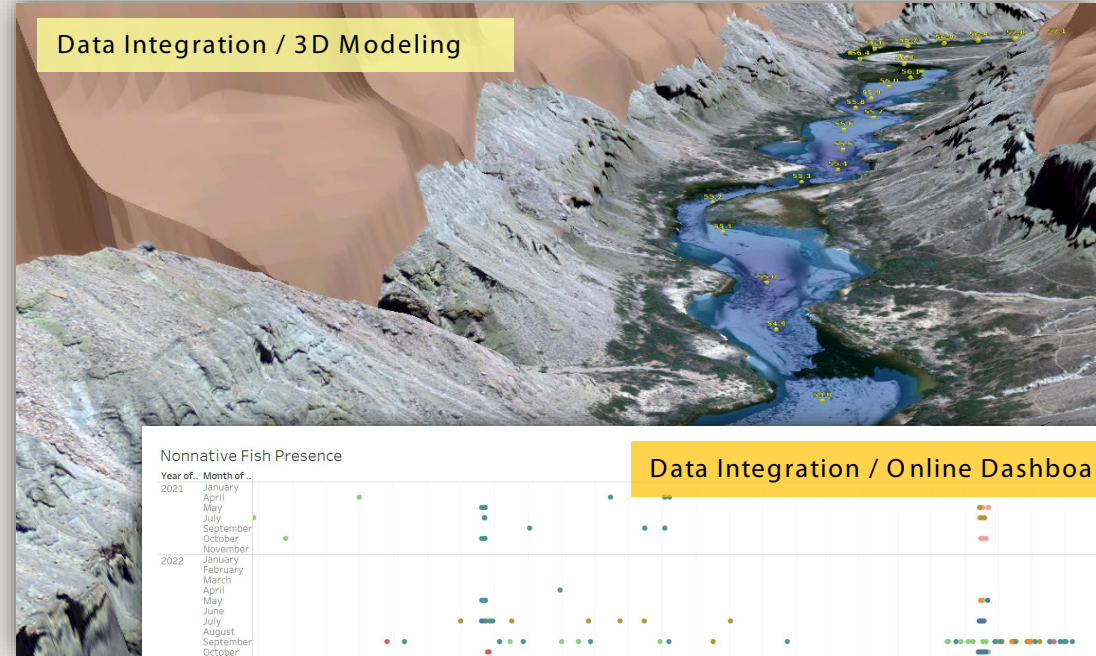
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- Data Management / Data Science
- Access to Data Resources

Support Other Projects

- Many field support functions: Maps, GIS layers, Tools
- Guidance on ArcGIS Pro, other software
- Use of Python programming
- Training for staff and cooperators
- Data Integration

Access to Geospatial Content

- Data Services
- Online Maps
- Integrated online content



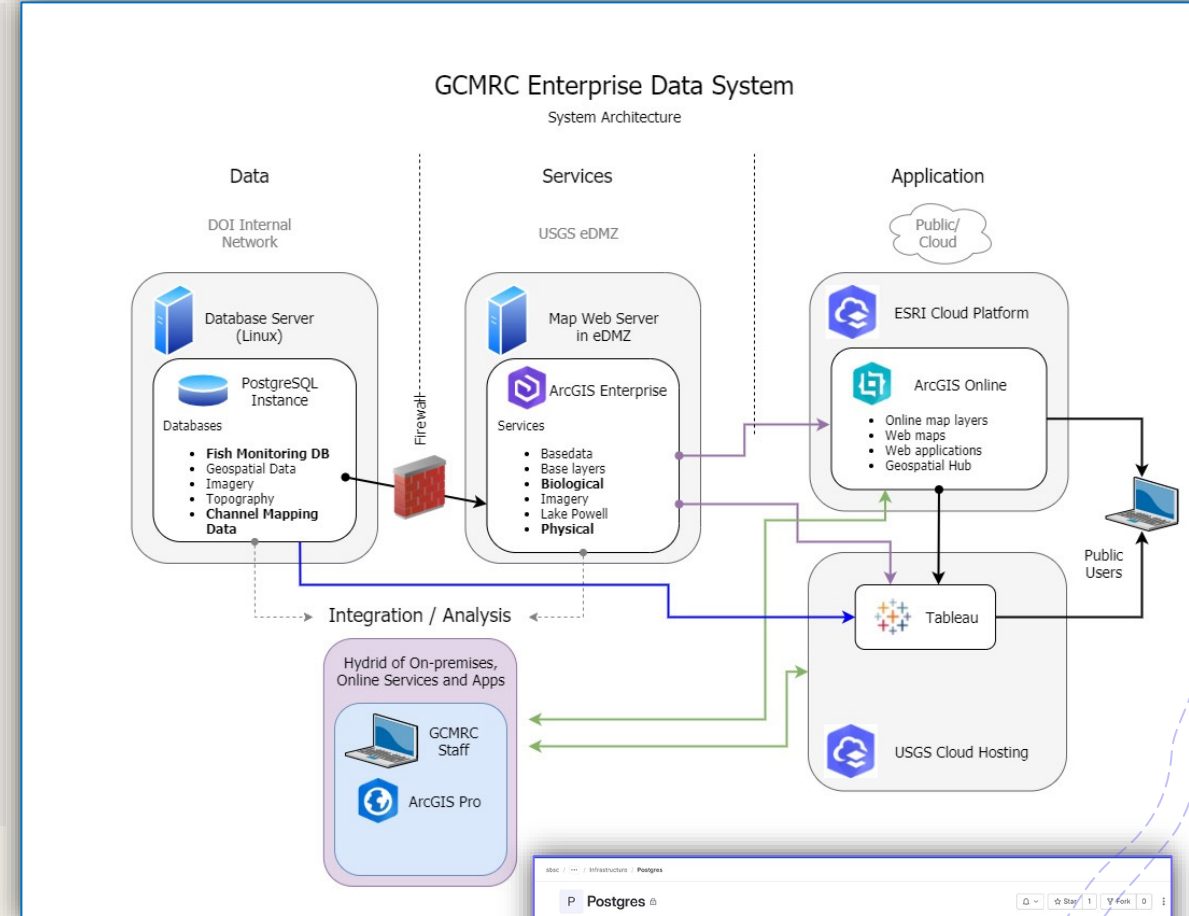
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Data Management (Geospatial and Non-spatial)

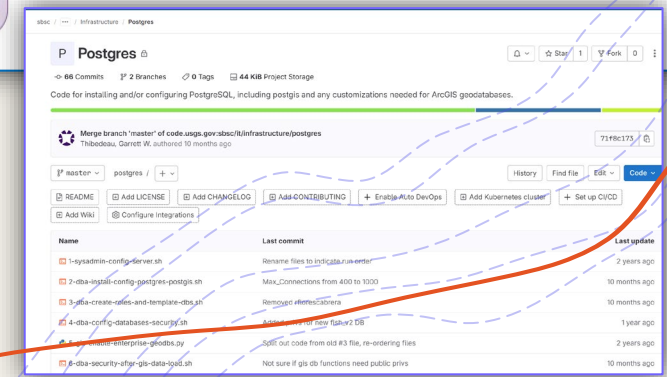


Enterprise GIS and Relational Databases

- Many project data sets now using enterprise environment
 - Centrally managed computing resources, but separately maintained, resource-specific databases
 - Spatial and Tabular use the same / similar platforms
- Allows for easier integration of different data sets
- Infrastructure as Code (IaC)
 - Design / deploy relational database resources through code



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18 # CREATE DATABASES FROM TEMPLATES
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20 # Create non-spatial databases
21 psql -h $H -p $P -U $U -d postgres -c 'CREATE DATABASE fish_monitoring WITH OWNER = fish_monitoring_admin TEMPLATE = template;'
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24 psql -h $H -p $P -U $U -d postgres -c 'CREATE DATABASE grand_canyon_fish WITH OWNER = fish_monitoring_admin TEMPLATE = template;'
25 ## MORE HERE
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27 # Create spatial (non-raster) databases
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Data Management & Relational Database Administration

- Support for relational databases

- Fish Monitoring

- Migration from Oracle to PostgreSQL (2021)
 - Updated Workflow for Data Staging and QAQC (2022-23)
 - Leveraging tools (Microsoft Teams / SharePoint) to collaborate with fish cooperators across the GCDAMP.

- Lake Powell Water Quality

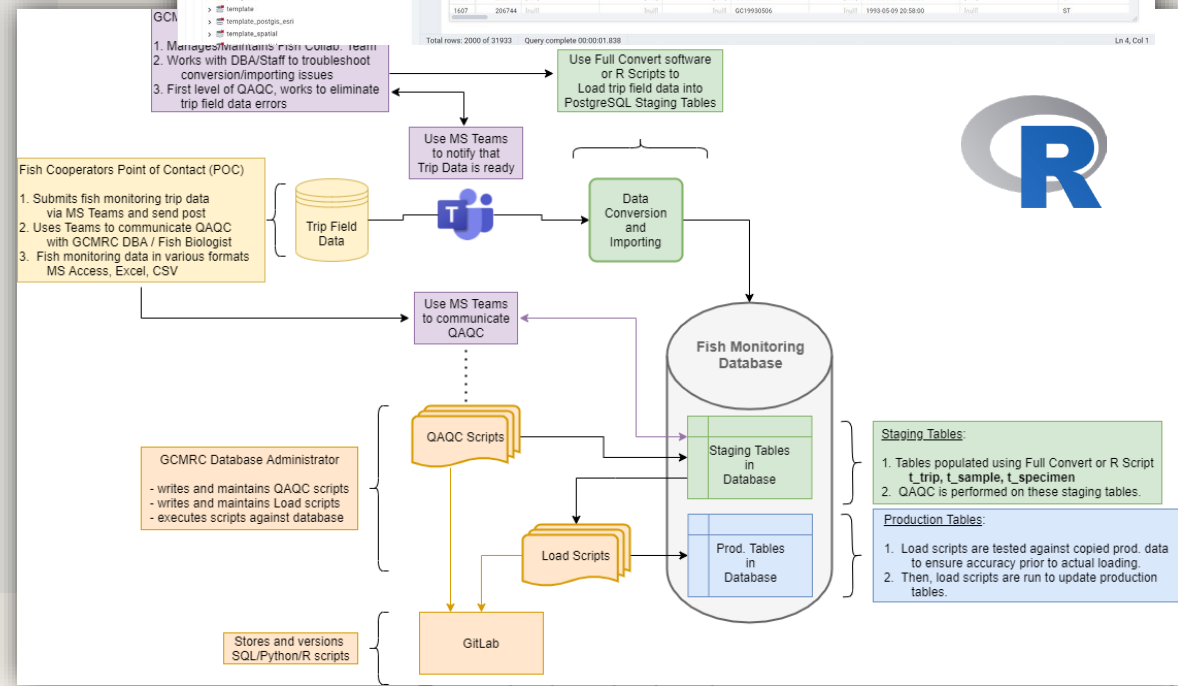
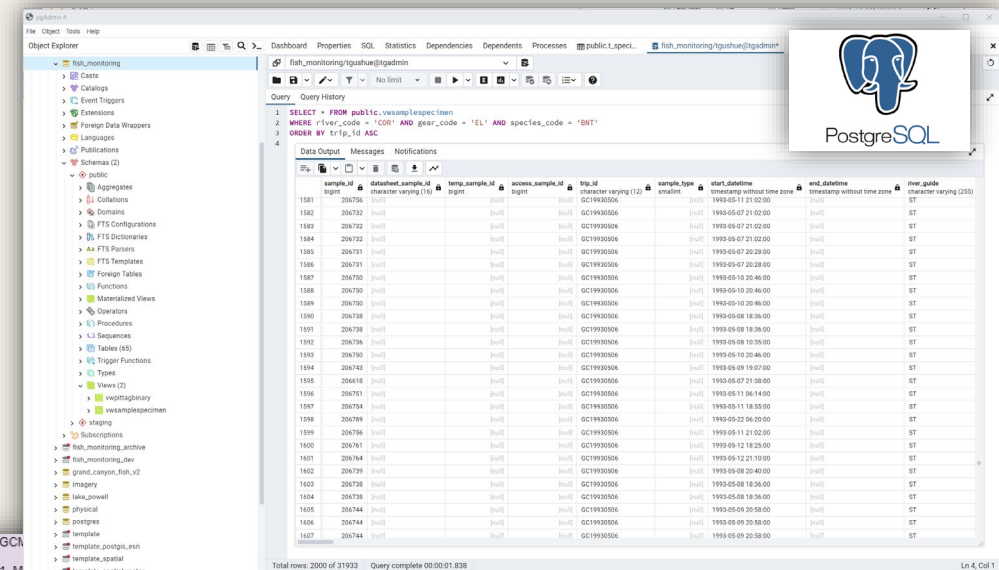
- Published release of WQ database (2022)
 - Development of online tools (2023-24)

- Sandbar Monitoring

- Riparian Vegetation

- HR / Staffing Challenges

- Hire 1 or more Database Administrators / Data Scientists into vacant positions
 - Fulfill roles of web and software developers



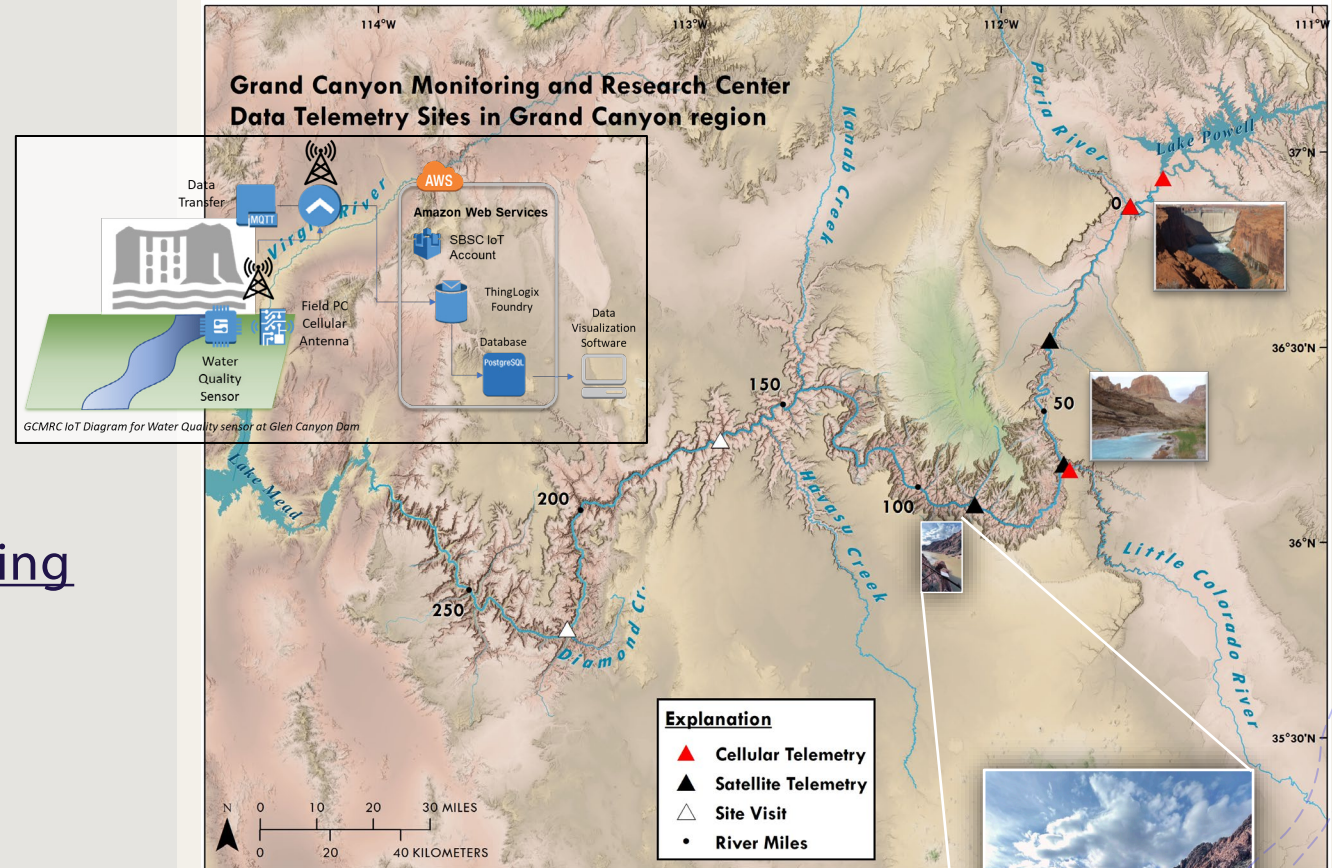
Data Telemetry / Field Engineering / Internet of Things (IoT)

Sensor-to-Cloud data transmission

- Glen Canyon Dam IoT Field Site
- Little Colorado River IoT Site
- Sediment Monitoring / Gauging Stations
 - Low Earth Orbit (LEO) Satellites (New in 2023)
 - 1ST Deployment of its kind within the USGS

Expect Growth Area for Research and Monitoring

- Collaborations with other USGS entities
 - Partnering with USGS Cloud Hosting Solutions (Subsidized \$)
 - Coordinating with Ecosystems Mission Area
 - Co-developing a Community of Practice with USGS ACIO
- Investigating Direct-to-Cell beta program (SpaceX)



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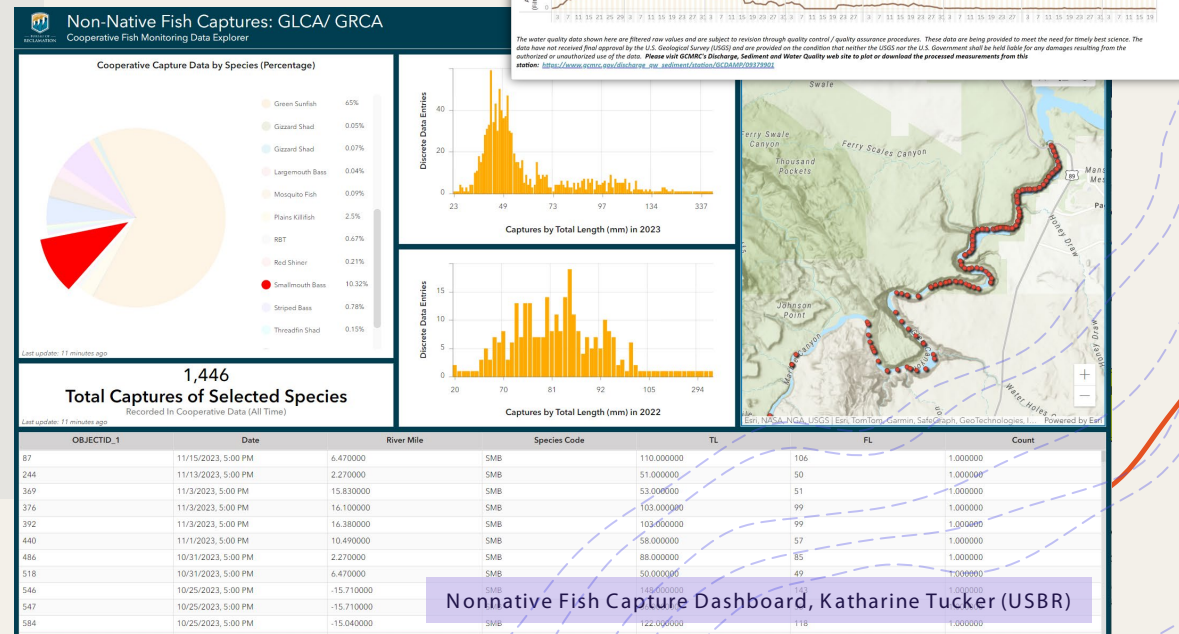
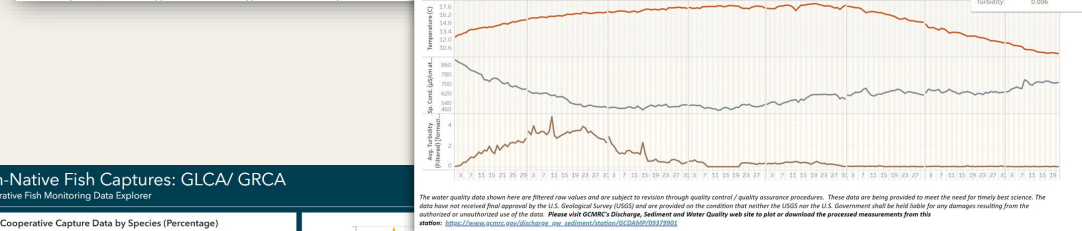
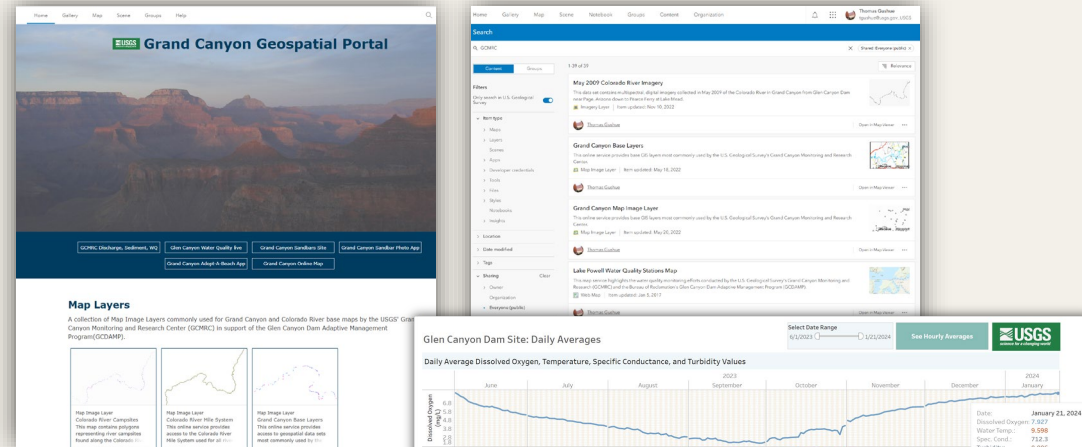


Access to Online Data Resources



Access to Geospatial & Tabular Data Online

- Direct Access to GIS Services
 - <https://grandcanyon.usgs.gov/server/rest/services>
- Grand Canyon Geospatial Portal
 - <https://grandcanyon.usgs.gov/portal>
- ESRI's ArcGIS Online platform (Search: "GCMRC")
 - Map layers, Web Maps, Web Apps
- New Custom web-based applications
 - Sandbar Surveys as an Interactive App
 - Fish Monitoring and Rapid Response Apps
- Tools for Collaboration and Discovery
 - Dashboards and Experiences



Nonnative Fish Capture Dashboard, Katharine Tucker (USBR)

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