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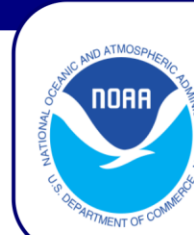
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Satellite-Derived Flood Product and Its Implementation in Impact-Based Forecast and Warning Services

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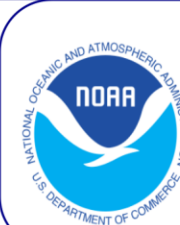
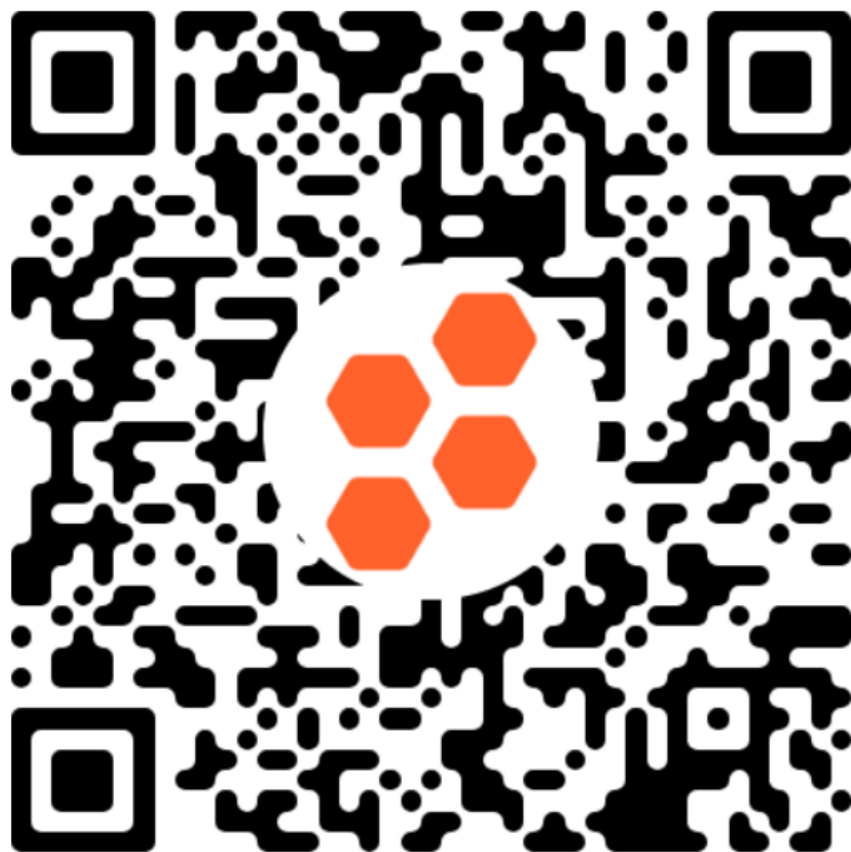
Introduction to the NOAA Global Flood Products

NOAA Global Flood Product Data + algorithms

Utilization of Existing Flood Product Generating Tools of the NOAA Global Flood Product

Product Generation and Application of Satellite-Derived Flood Products for IBFWS

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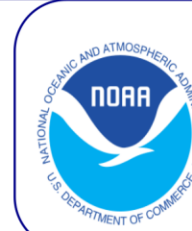
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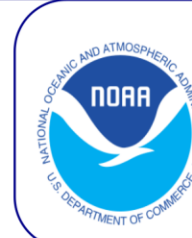


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Flood Products *Overview*

- The VIIRS and AHI flood products provide flood areal extent and can be used for situational awareness.
- On a daily basis, the joint VIIRS/AHI flood product provides the best coverage in regions covered by AHI.
- Under clear-sky conditions in the VIIRS and AHI images, the VIIRS flood product is recommended for use because of its more accurate floodwater details.
- The AHI flood maps filter out clouds using a multiple composition process. This means that they may be able to provide flood extent in regions which are cloudy during the two daytime VIIRS overpasses. In this case, the ABI and AHI flood maps may be used for flood mapping with spatial resolution at about 1 km instead of 375 meters.



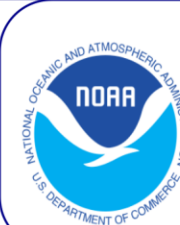
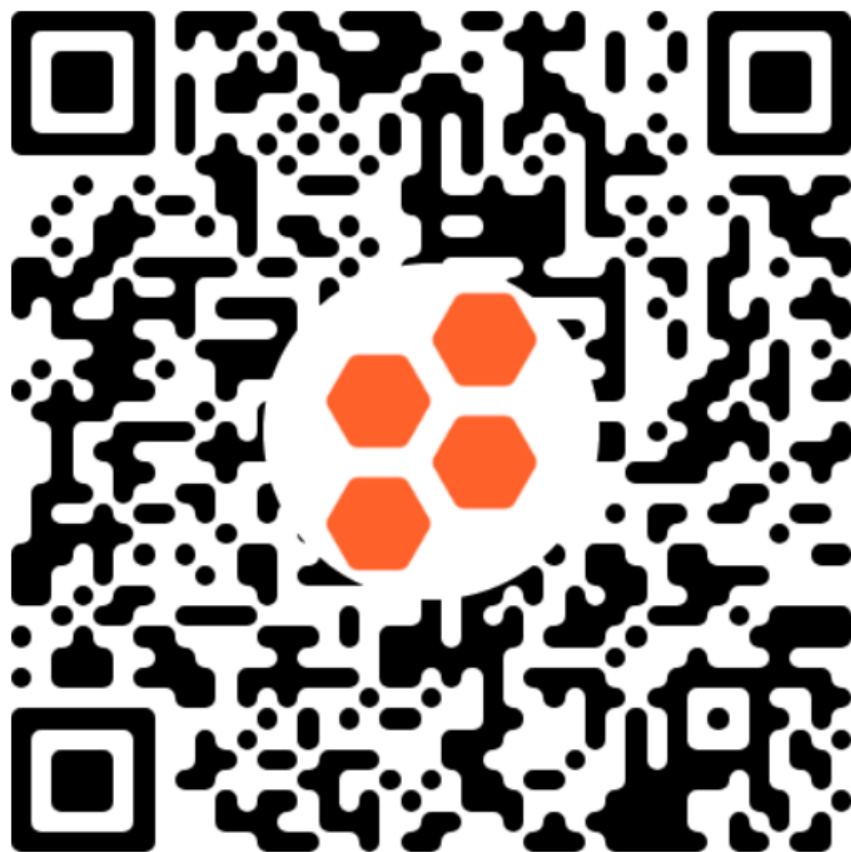
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Flood Products Overview (cont.)

- Both the geostationary (AHI) and Joint Polar Satellite System (JPSS) Flood algorithms used the same basic process to derive flood extent
- The algorithm uses input from the visible and shortwave infrared bands as well as the thermal bands as inputs.
- Through a series of decision trees, each pixel is classified as one of several values
- More information on the algorithm process will be mentioned in the next presentation.



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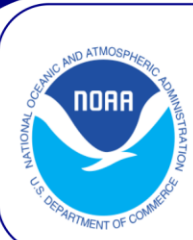
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Flood Products Overview (cont.)

- The actual output of the VIIRS flood product is a netCDF file. These files are converted to pngs, geoTIF and Shape output files via a python code for distribution.
- The data is also available to view on the web and via WMS services

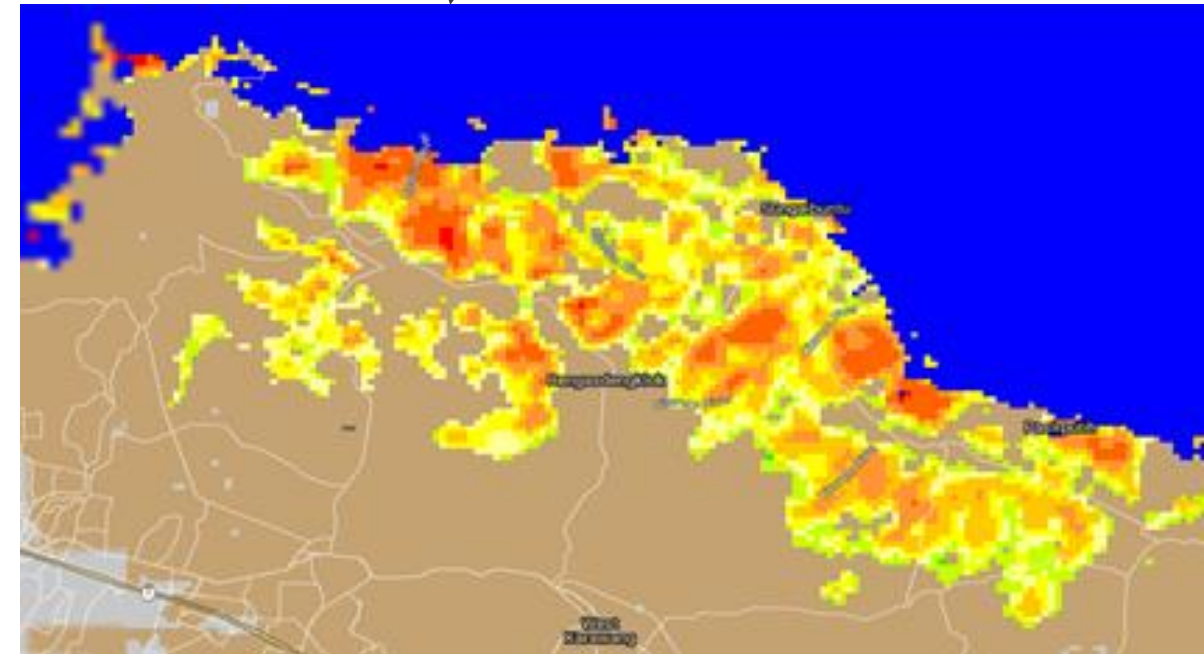
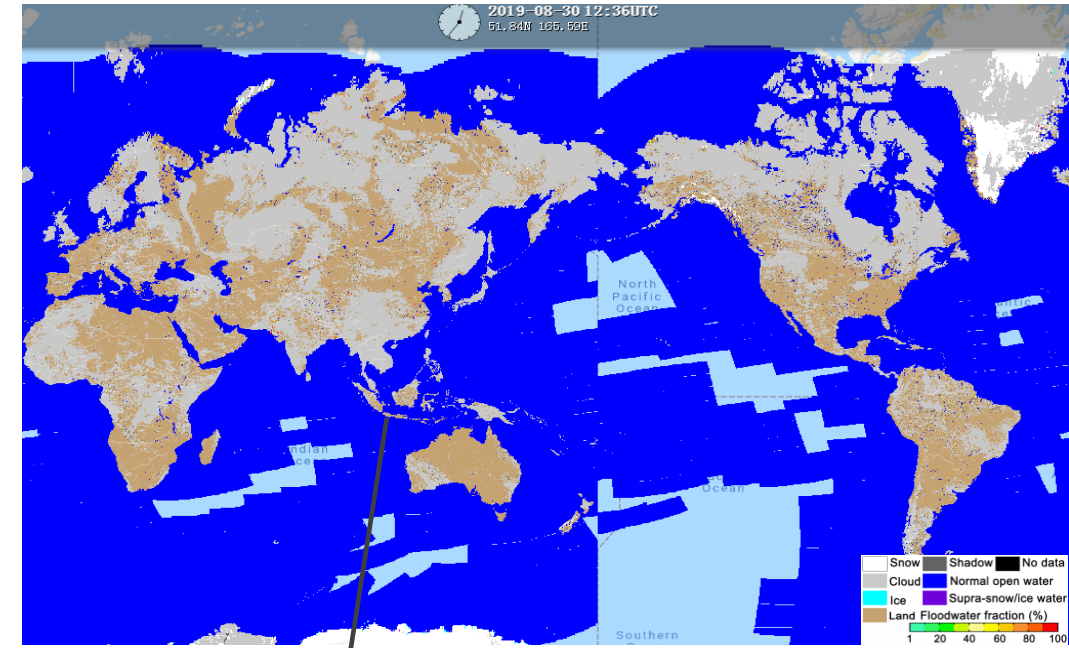
Lists of VIIRS/AHI Flood Products

Products	Spatial resolution	Availability	Coverage	Production latency	Description
Suomi-NPP, NOAA-20, NOAA-21 VIIRS near real-time flood product*	375m	2-3 daytime passes for each satellite	Global land between 80°S and 80°N	Available 3 hours after pass	Daytime-only flood extent in water fractions (open water percentage in a satellite pixel)
Suomi-NPP, NOAA-20, NOAA-21 VIIRS daily composited flood product*	375m	Once per day	Global land between 60°S and 75°N	All tiles available by 1030Z	
Suomi-NPP, NOAA-20, NOAA-21 VIIRS 5-day composited flood product*	375m	Once per day	Global land between 60°S and 75°N	All tiles available by 1030Z	
Himawari-8&9/AHI flood product +	1-km	Every hour	Land in East Asia and Oceania (90° E ~ 180° E, 47.5°S ~ 50.5°N)	every hour	
Joint VIIRS/AHI flood product +	375m~1km	Once per day	Land in East Asia and Oceania (90° E ~ 180° E, 47.5°S ~ 50.5°N)	Available at 18Z	<div><div><div>Snow</div><div>Cloud</div><div>Ice</div><div>Land Floodwater fraction (%)</div></div><div><div>Shadow</div><div>Normal open water</div><div>Supra-snow/ice water</div><div><div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div><div></div></div><div>120406080100</div></div><div>No data</div></div></div>

* - Currently operational at NOAA
+ - Transitioning to operations

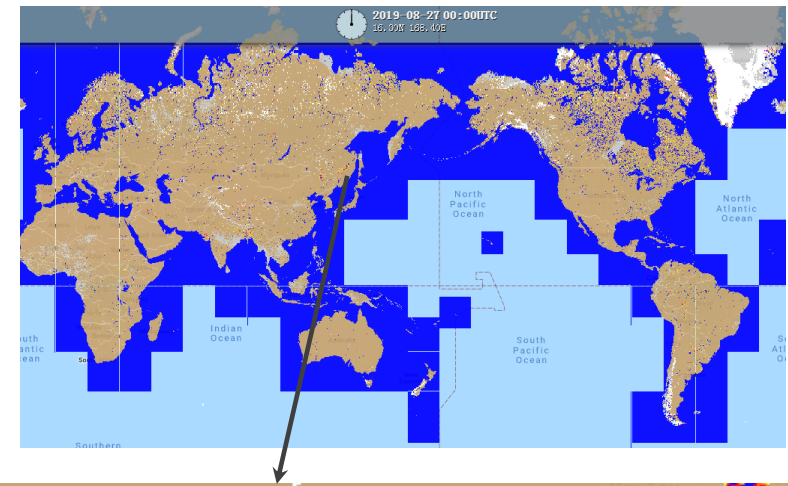
VIIRS NRT Flood Product

- The VIIRS 375-m Flood Product, is a near real-time product derived from daytime VIIRS imagery from Suomi-NPP, NOAA-20 and NOAA-21.
- The VIIRS Flood Map reflects the current flood status at the time of the overpass along with additional information on the weather and land conditions.
- Suomi-NPP, NOAA-20 and NOAA-21 are low earth orbiting satellites, which means only two daytime observations can be derived per day over a given Region of Interest (ROI) with a ~50 min interval.
- Observations are taken ~2-3pm local solar time. The latency of the product is about 3 hours after a pass is complete.

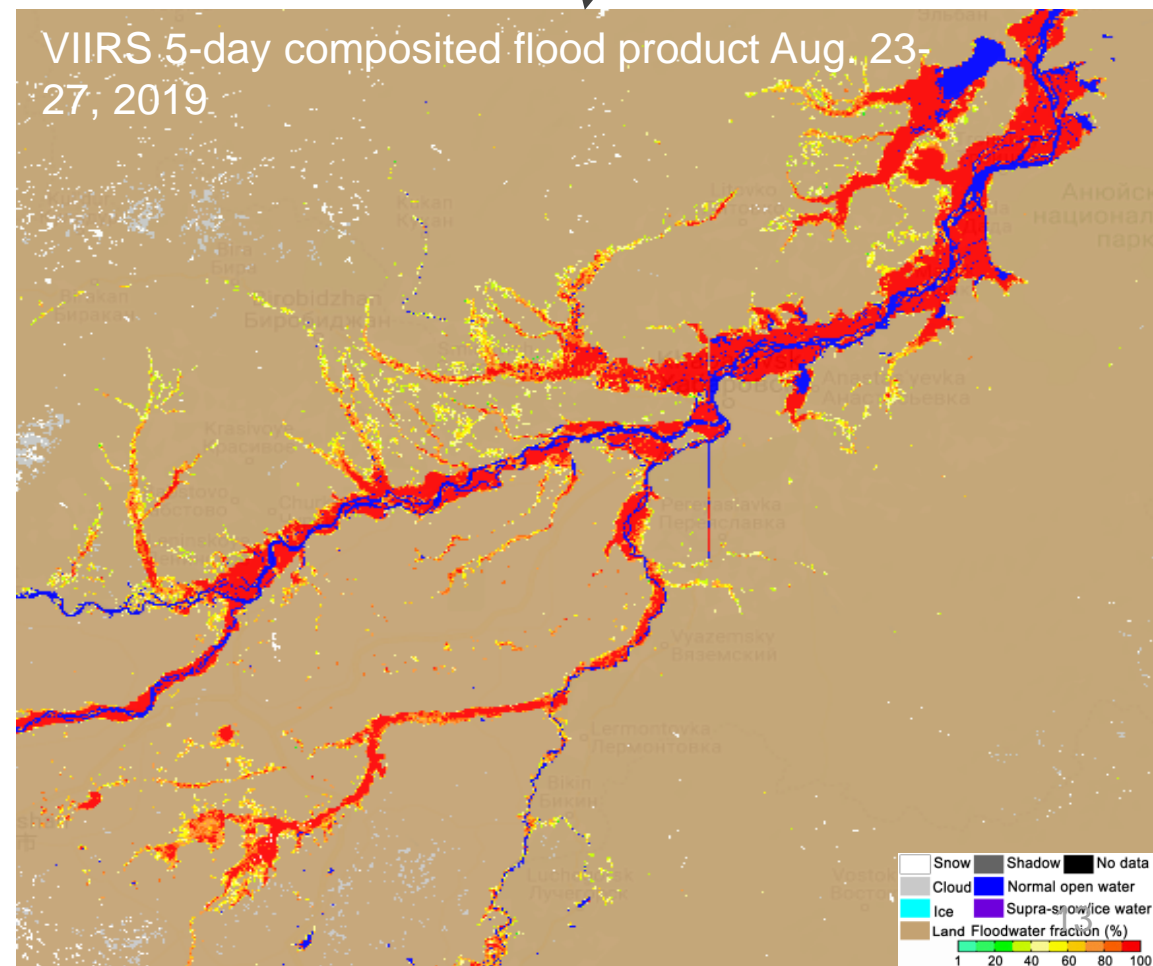


VIIRS Composited *Flood Products*

- The VIIRS Composited Flood Products are used to filter out cloud cover through a maximal water-fraction composition process and thus derive the maximal flood extent during a flood event from the VIIRS NRT flood maps from the JPSS satellites
- The routinely global VIIRS Composited Flood Products include daily composited flood product and 5-day composited flood product.
- The composition process is done by dividing the global land into 136 AOIs.



VIIRS 5-day composited flood product Aug. 23-27, 2019

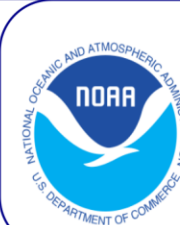
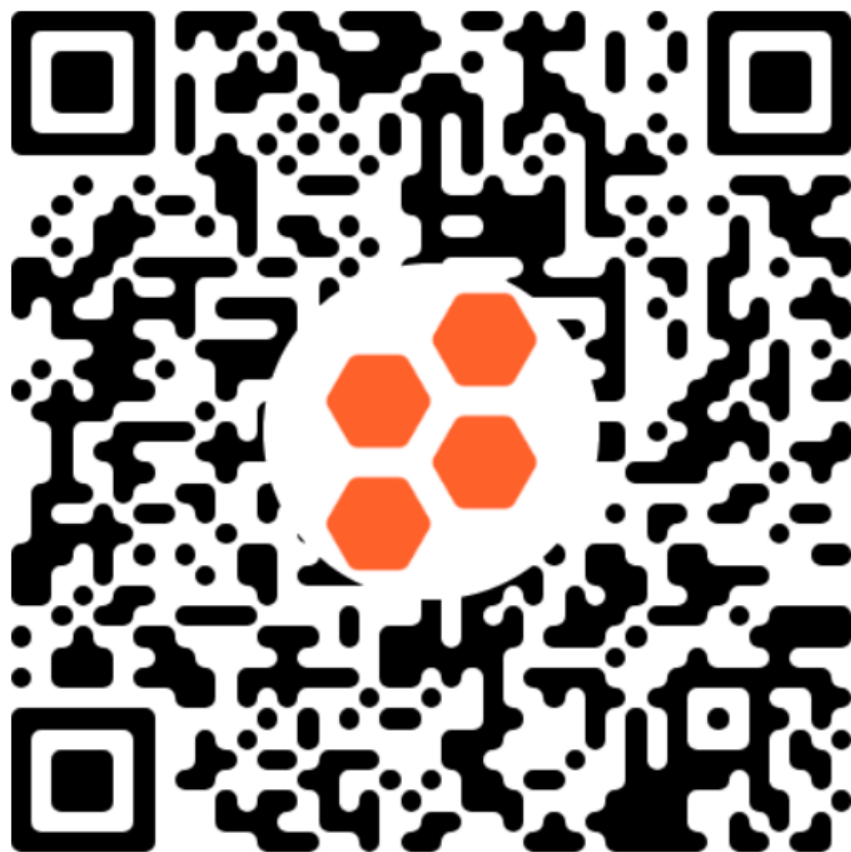


AHI Flood *Product*

- The AHI Flood Product is a rolling composited result based on the 10-minute AHI flood maps with hourly updates. Each hourly-updated flood map shows the average flood water fractions from the first 10-minute flood map to the latest one.
- At the end of a day, the AHI Flood Map is a daily flood composite, and shows the flood extent under the daily maximal clear-sky coverage (example shown right).
- Data from AHI is acquired using the Himawari Cloud to STAR and then provided to CIMSS for processing.



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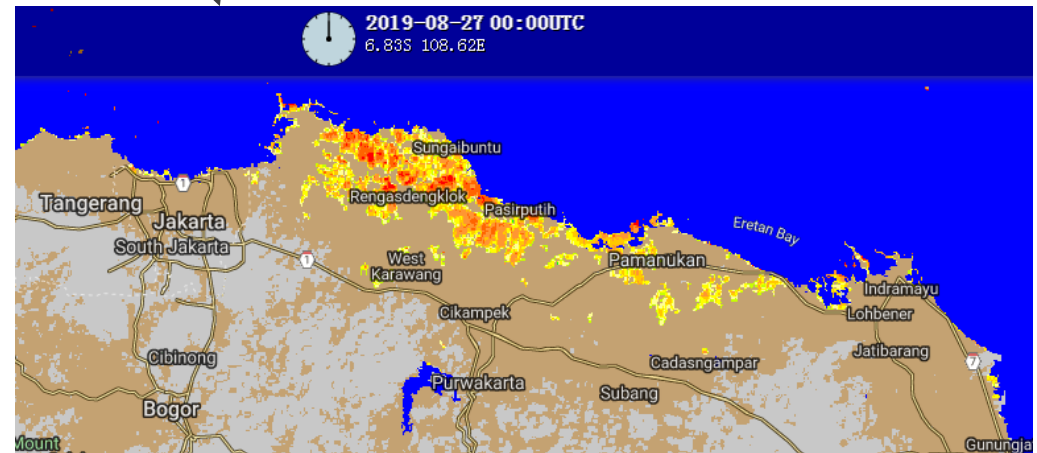
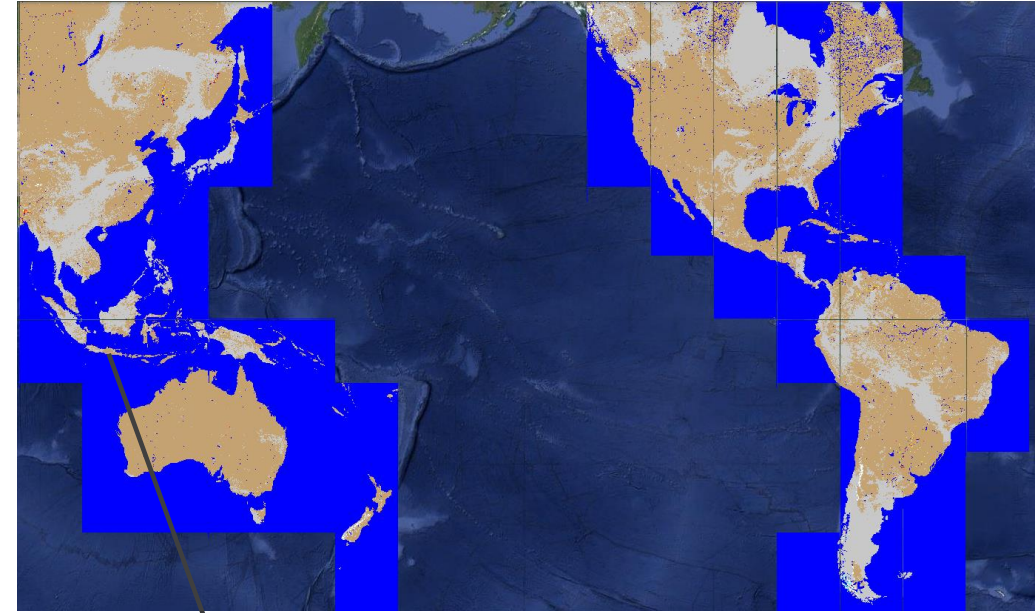
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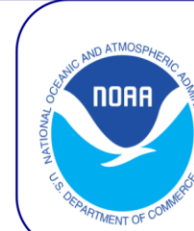
Joint VIIRS/ABI/AHI Flood Products

- The joint VIIRS/ABI or VIIRS/AHI Flood Products blend the daily flood detection results from VIIRS, ABI and AHI. It is based on the VIIRS 375-m daily composited flood maps, and uses the 1-km ABI or AHI daily clear-sky detection results to fill the gaps of clouds and cloud shadows in the VIIRS maps.
- Thus, it shows the flood extent under the maximal clear-sky coverage derived from ABI or AHI during daytime, and keeps the more accurate floodwater details from VIIRS.
- **IMPORTANT NOTE** - The current Joint VIIRS/ABI or VIIRS/AHI Flood products are currently being operationalized, but being run in NRT at CIMSS. Also, the 1-km ABI/AHI flood water fractions have not been fully fused with the VIIRS results, so the resolution of the current products vary from 375m to 1km.

Aug. 27, 2019



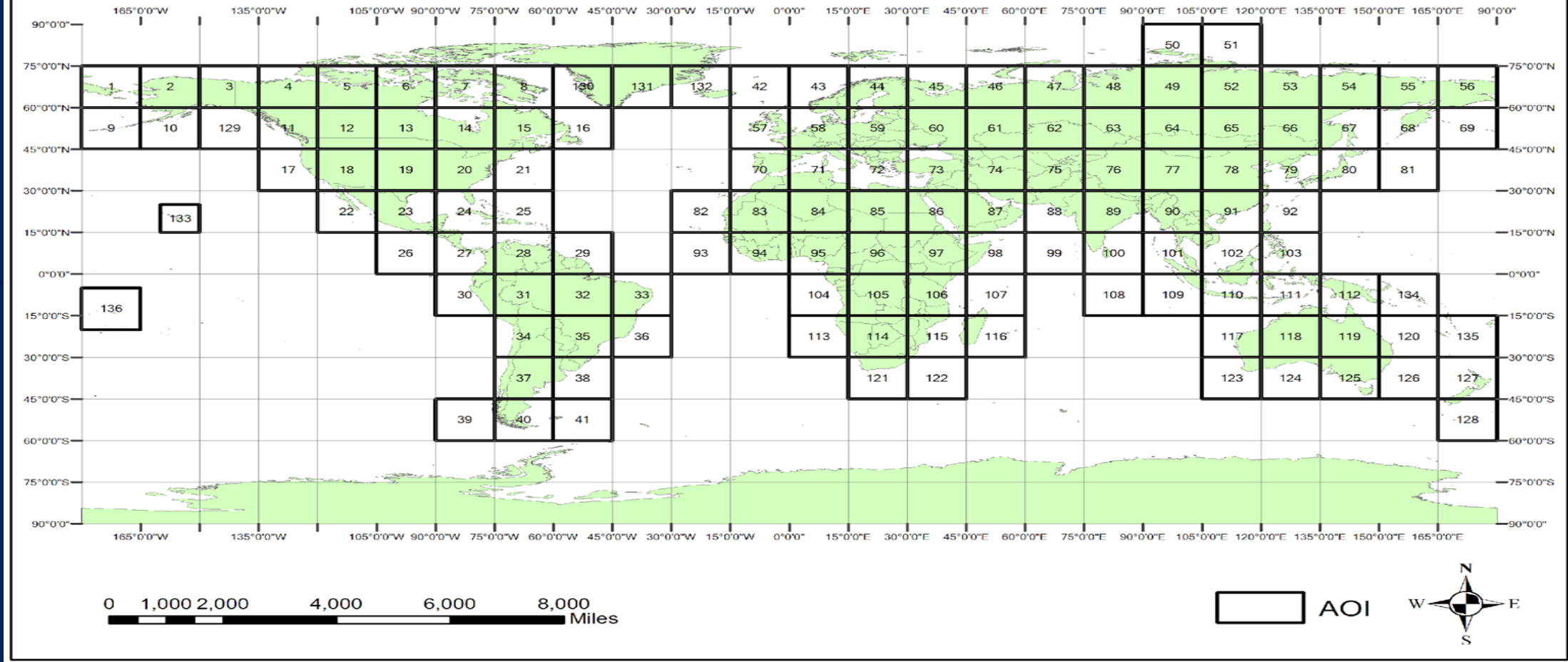
The global land is divided into **136 AOIs** for the VIIRS composition *process and data archive*.



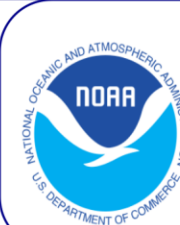
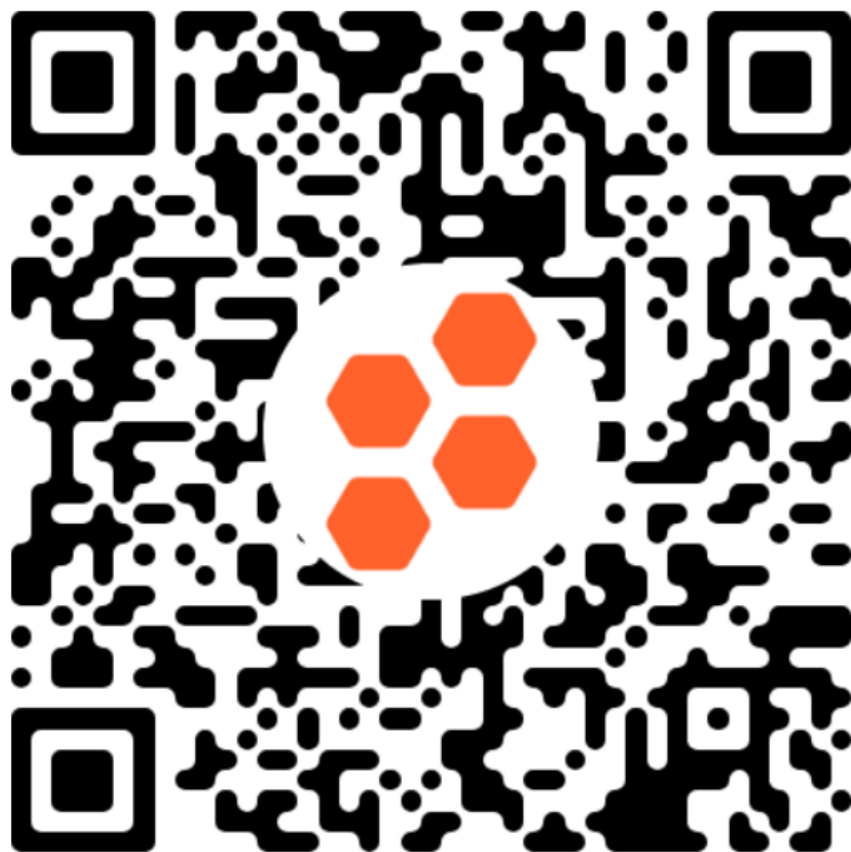
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VIIRS Coverage in 136 AOIs



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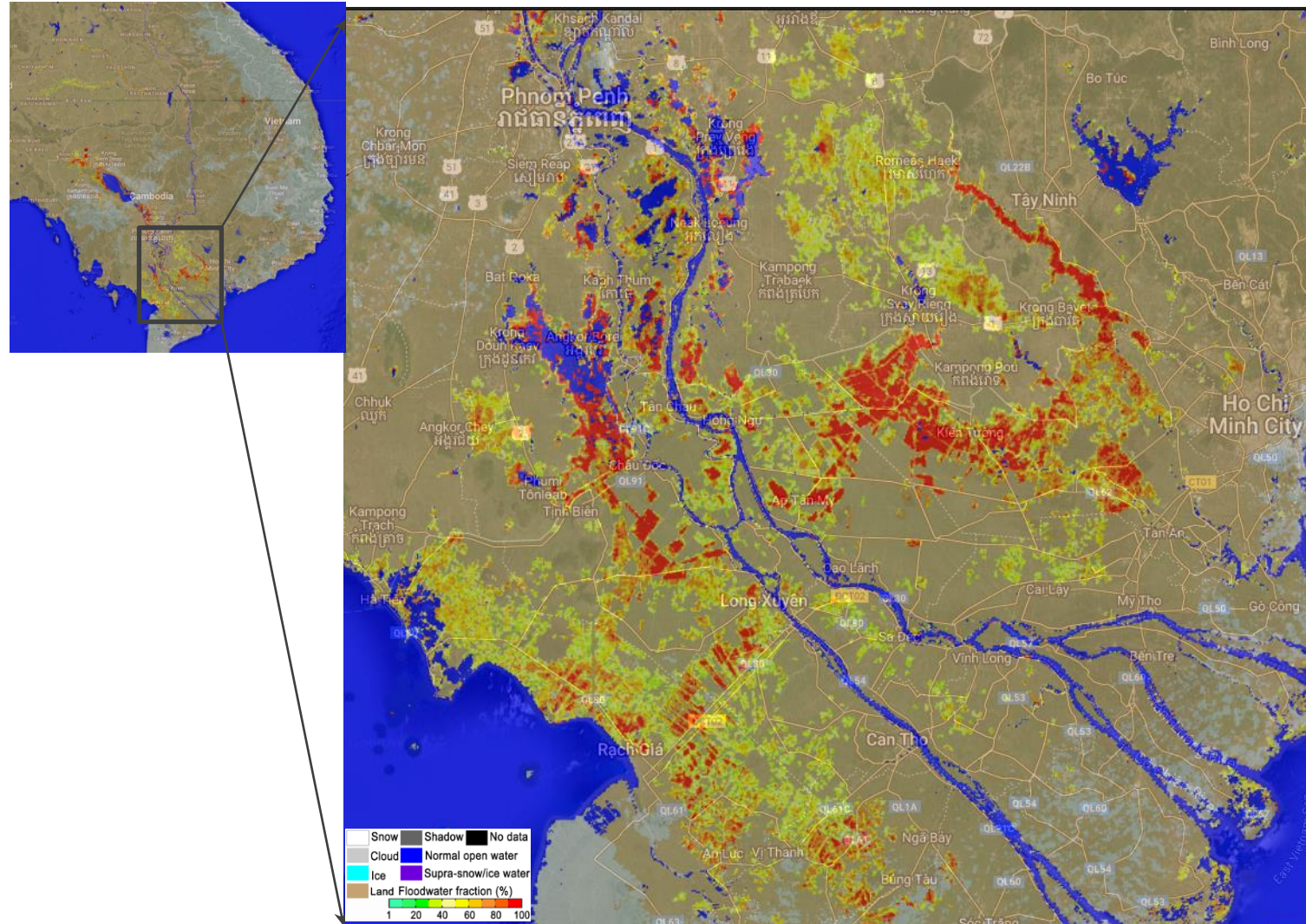
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Example case – Mekong Delta flooding, 3 Dec 2021

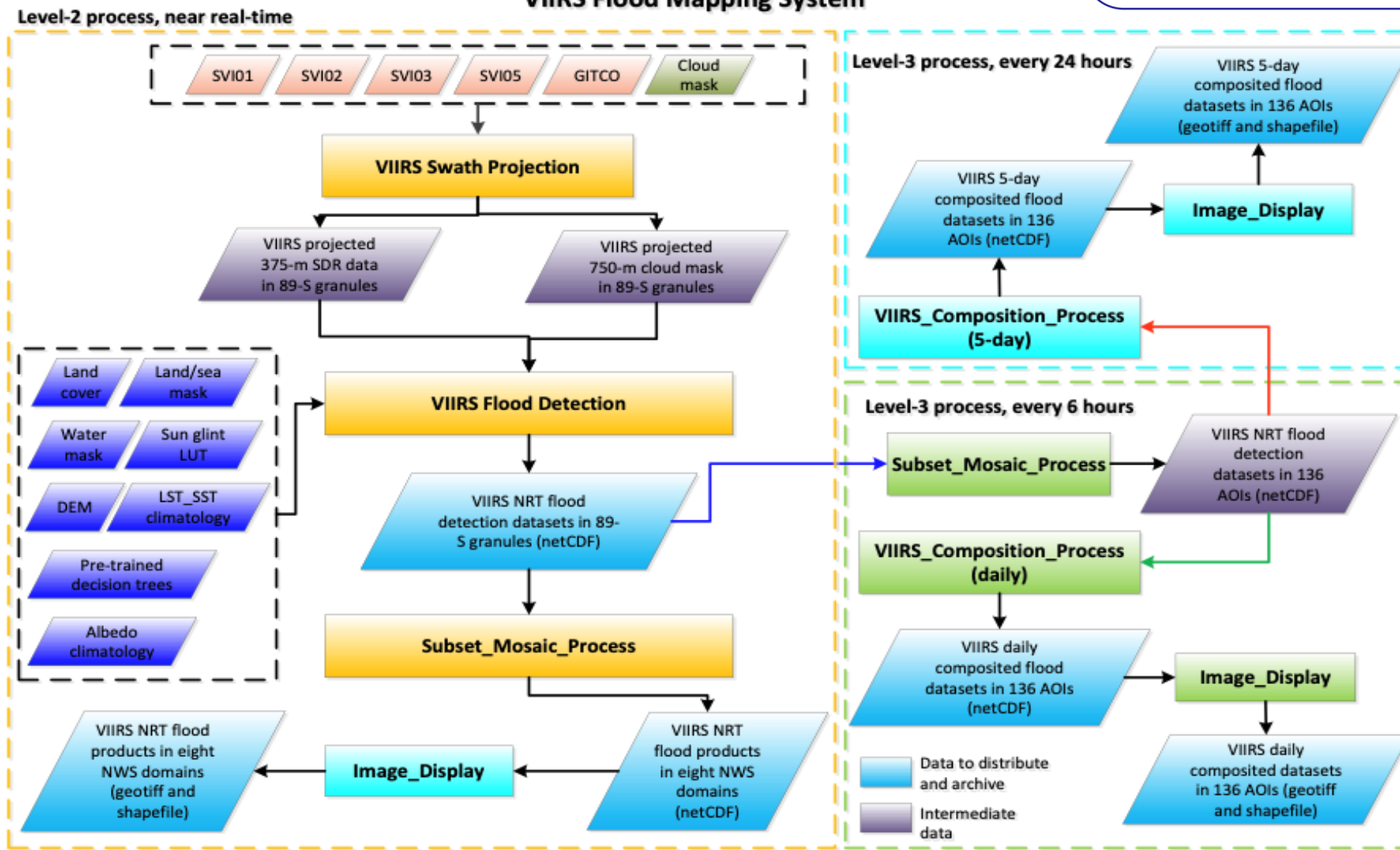


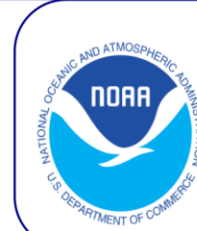
Bands used by NOAA Flood Product

Channels used
by the NOAA
VIIRS Flood
Product

VIIRS Band	Central Wavelength (μm)	Band Explanation	Spatial Resolution (m) @ nadir
M1	0.412	Visible/ Reflective	750 m
M2	0.445		
M3	0.488		
M4	0.555		
M5	0.672		
M6	0.746	Near IR	
M7	0.865		
M8	1.240	Shortwave IR	
M9	1.378		
M10	1.61		
M11	2.25		
M12	3.7	Medium-wave IR	
M13	4.05		
M14	8.55	Longwave IR	
M15	10.76		
M16	12.01		
DNB	0.7	Visible / Reflective	750 m across full scan
I1	0.64	Visible / Reflective	375 m
I2	0.87	Near IR	
I3	1.61	Shortwave IR	
I4	3.74	Medium-wave IR	
I5	11.45	Longwave IR	

VIIRS Flood Mapping System

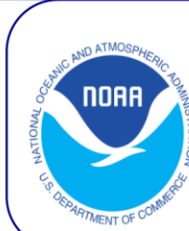




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Cloud Detection and cloud/terrain shadow

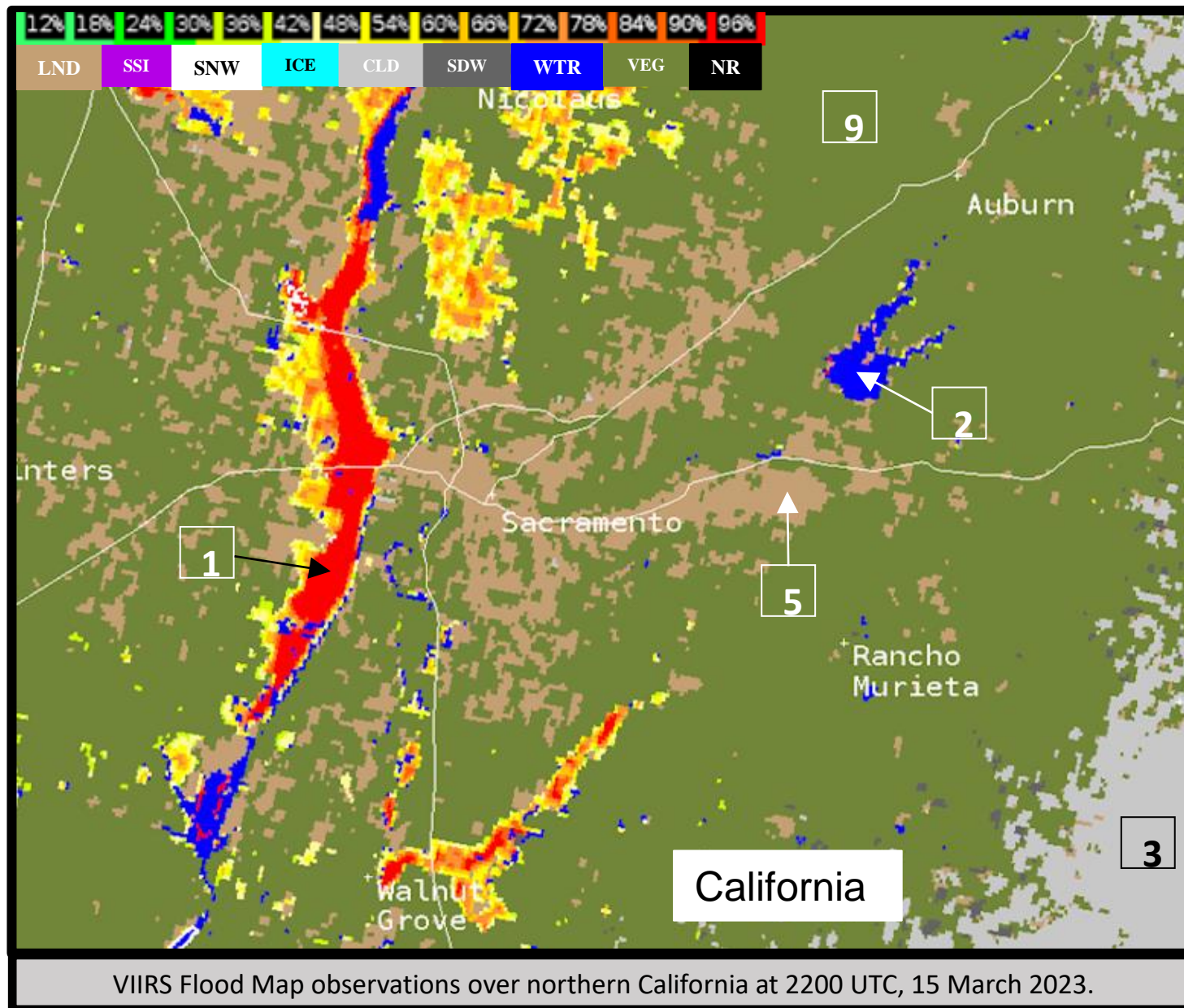
- Cloud detection is performed operationally by the operational VIIRS cloud mask, but the algorithm can run without it by utilizing the three reflective channels and, NDVI, NDSI, NDWI and the $11.45\mu\text{m}$ channel to do cloud masking. Note that this also helps determine if a pixel is snow or not.
- The shadowed area from clouds and terrain is typically darker than the non-shadowed area because of less irradiance, which makes it look alike floodwater in optical satellite imagery.
- The cloud shadow is geometrically constructed using the relationship among the sun, satellite, cloud. The other thing that is done is to consider the parallax of the pixels
- Similarly, terrain, such as valleys, etc, can form shadows as well. In order to do this, the surface roughness is needed to help differentiate between the terrain and shadowed pixels.



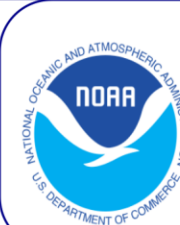
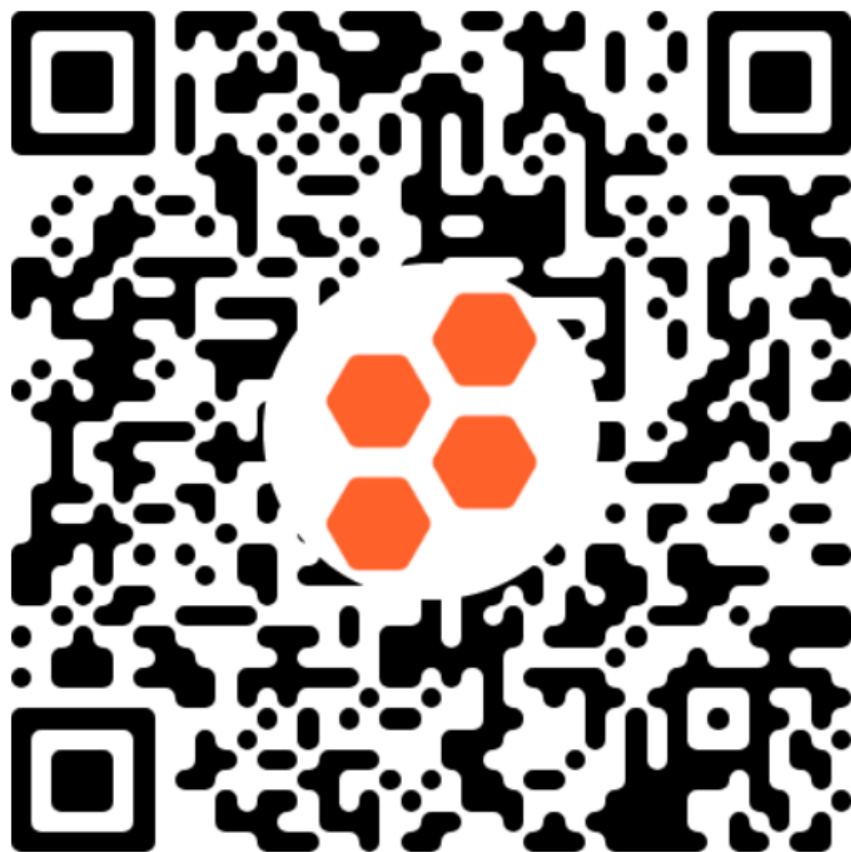
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Determination of **water fraction retrieval**

- Water fractions represent flood extent more accurately than water/no water masks.
- The NOAA Flood product retrieves water fractions for supra-veg/bare land floodwater, which is the most common flood type, to derive more accurate flood extent.
- The calculation uses a linear combination model based on multispectral linear mixture theory is the general way for sub-pixel fraction retrieval in optical satellite imagery (Sheng et al, DeFries et al., and Jiang et al.).



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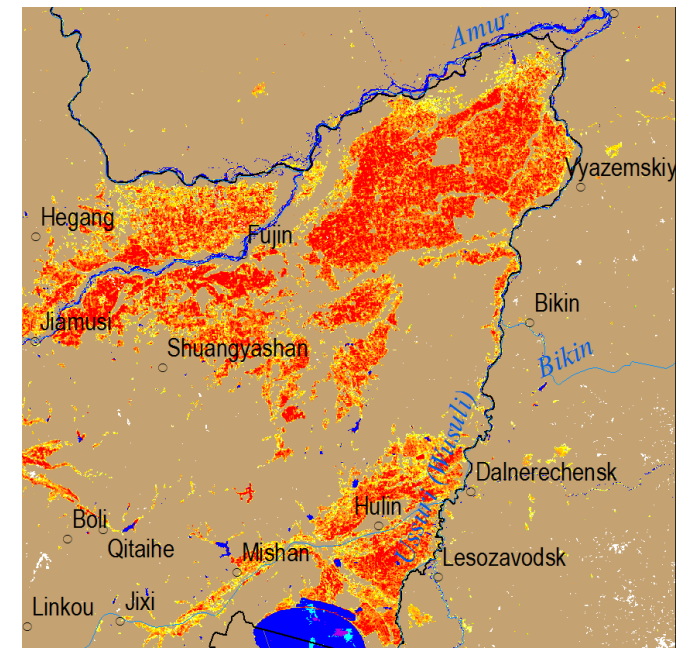
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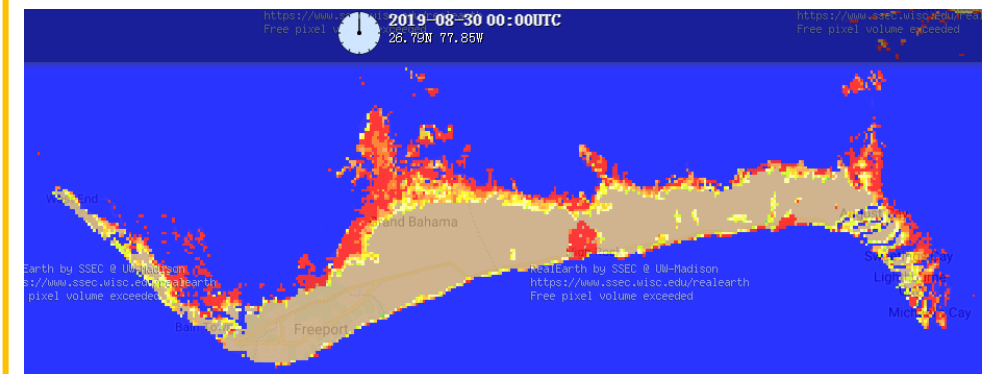
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Issues to be aware of

- **Agricultural-related flooding:** Some flooding water shown in the VIIRS flood maps may not be any hazard-related flooding, but from agriculture-related activities such as rice paddy planting and aquaculture. However, flooding in this area could result downstream flooding depending other conditions.
- **Tides and Marsh lands:** In some regions especially coastal areas, consistent flooding may be detected in the flood maps. These floods are mostly caused by the tides or occur over marsh lands, which do not pose any large scale social impact, though they can pose localize impacts (ex. rough roads).
- **Water reference map:** The water reference map encompasses permanent water bodies such as lakes and reservoirs. However, as new hydrological projects are build, the water reference map must be updated.
- **Solar Eclipses:** For granules that are flagged as an “eclipse”, the flood product will not be produced.



The widespread flooding water in the northeast of China from May 03 to 09, 2018 was not hazard-related flooding, but the “flooded” rice paddy areas during planting season.

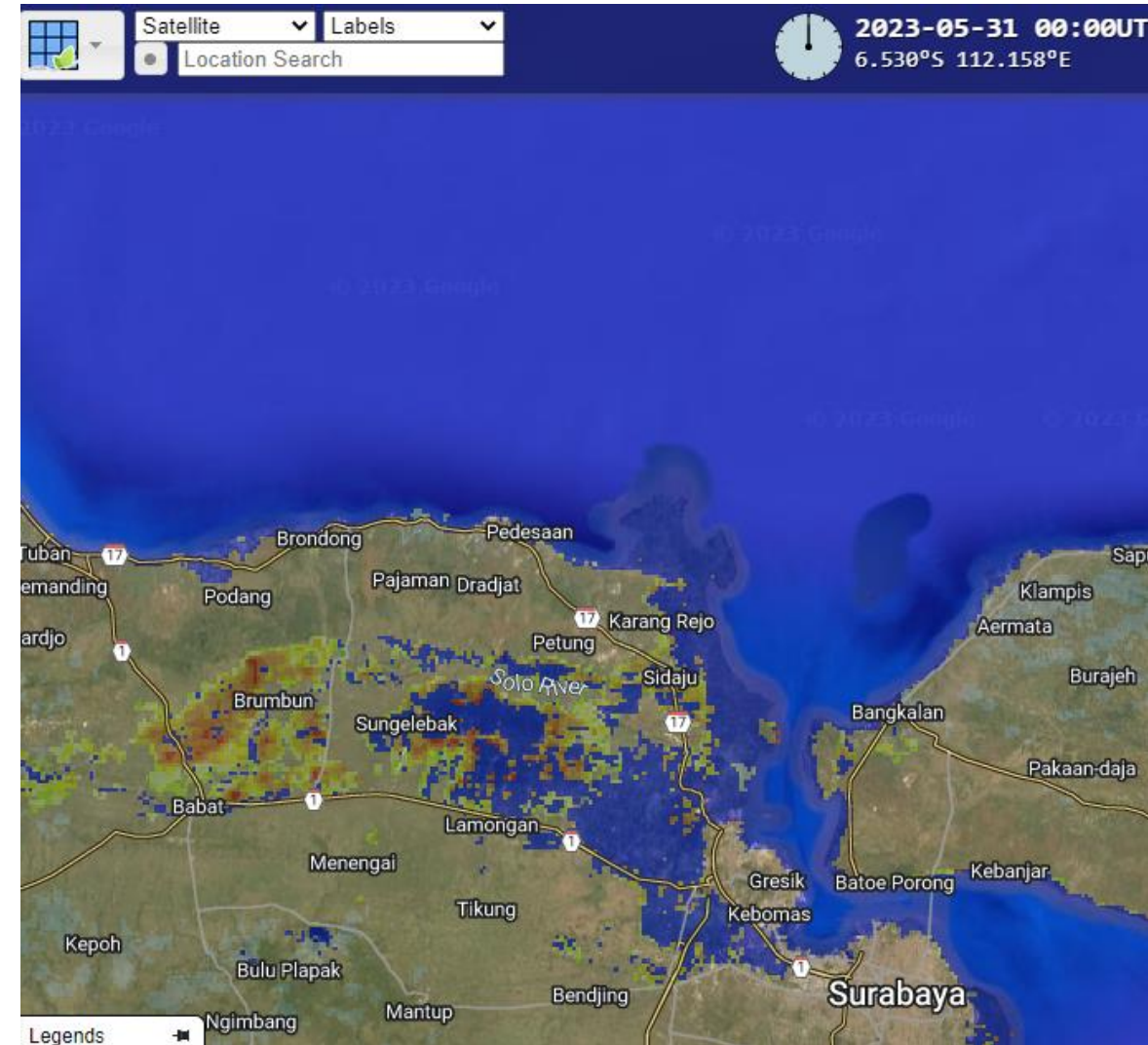


Flooding caused by the tides in Great Bahamas is a natural phenomenon.

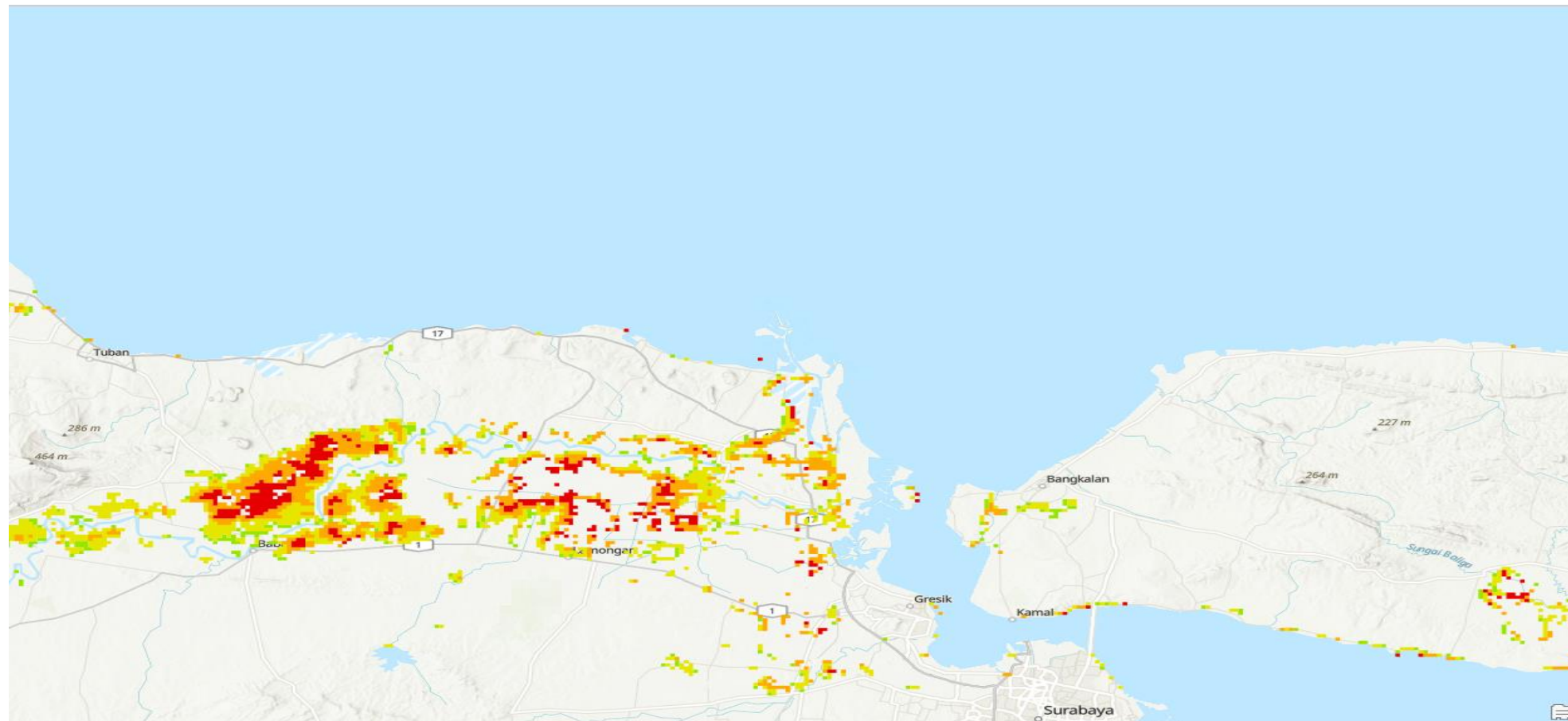
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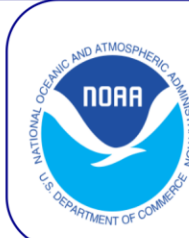


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Combining all the layers into one image using ArcGIS





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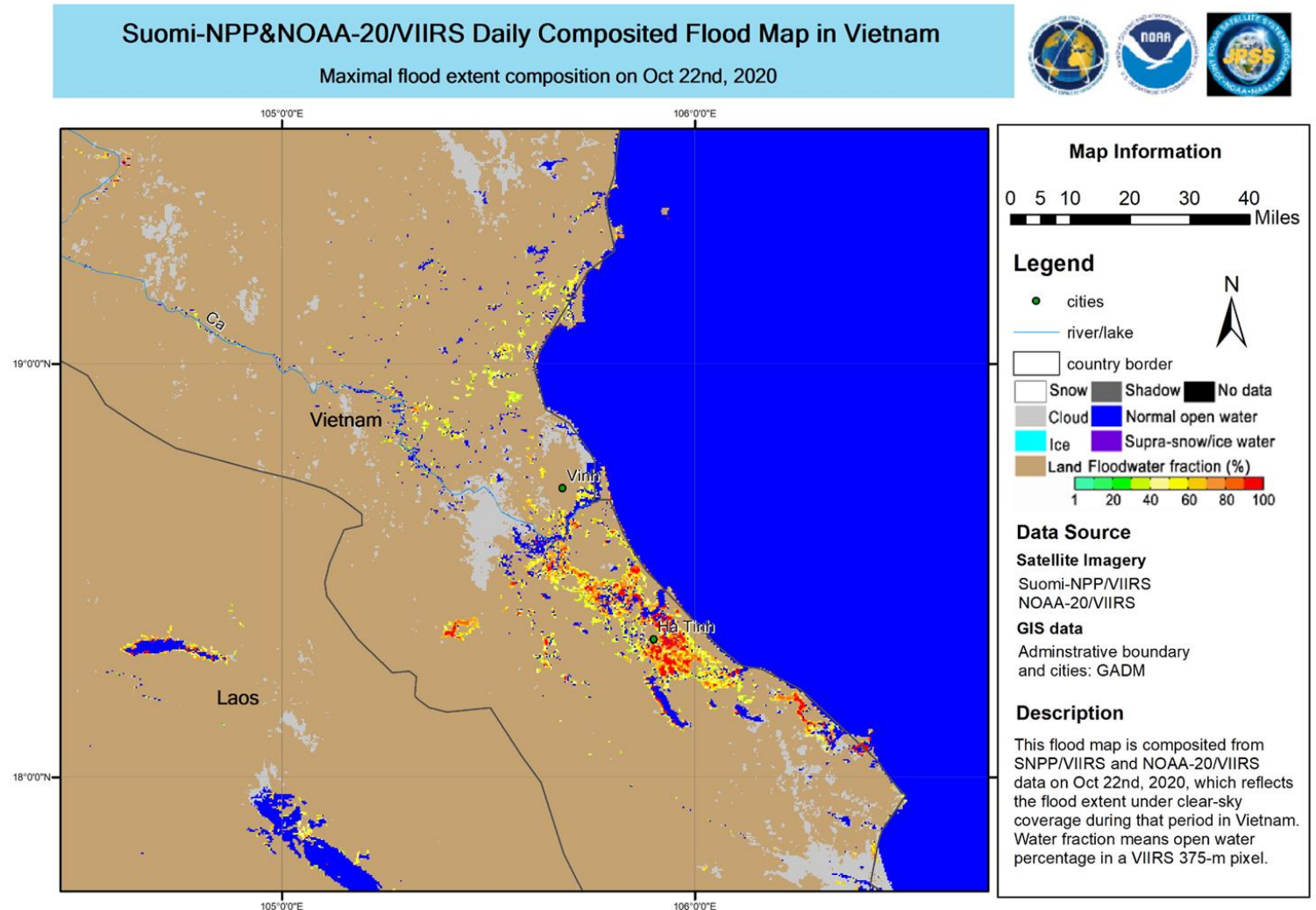
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Example of how the products can be used during the day

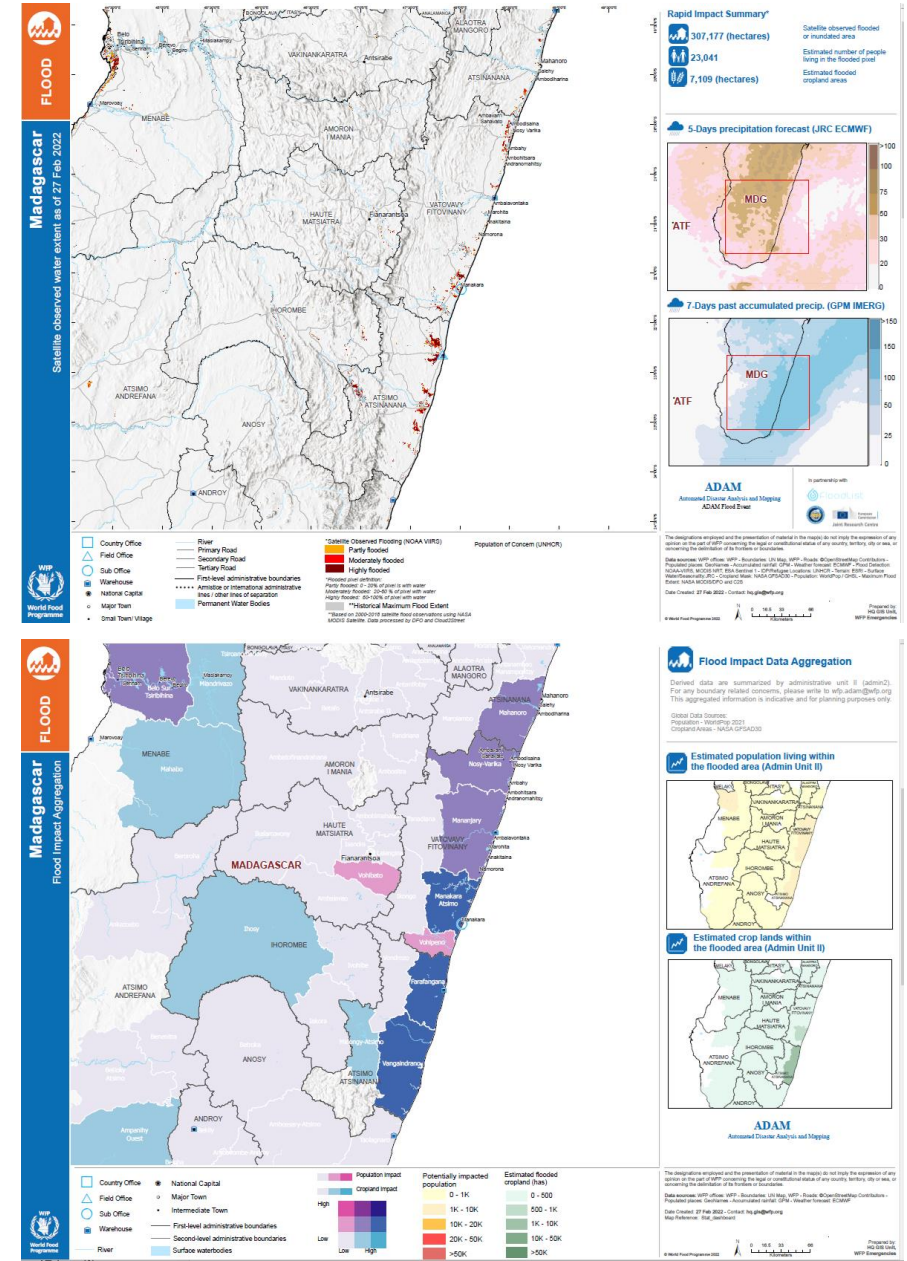
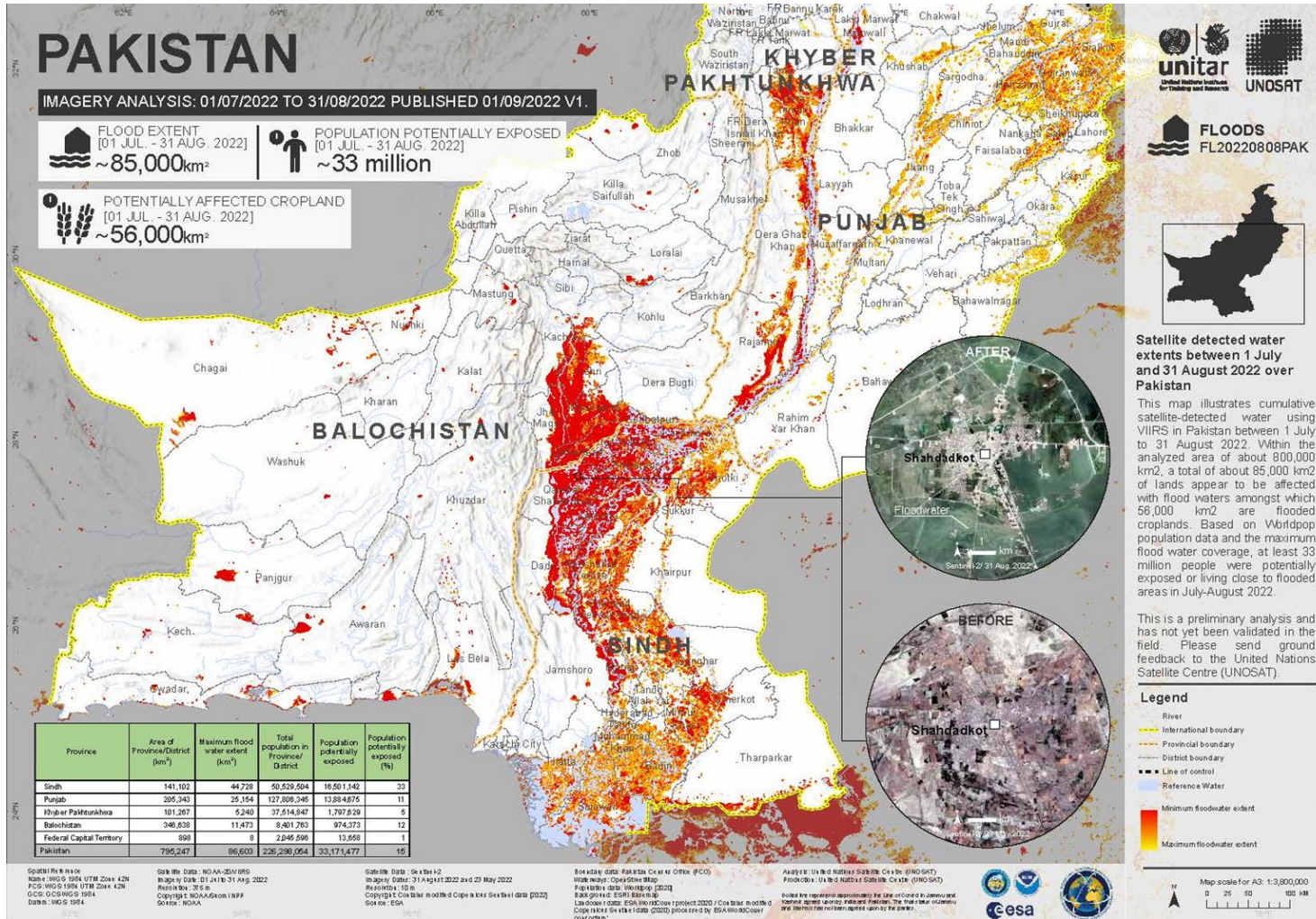
- The ABI/AHI flood maps are available from the early morning to the late afternoon, and thus are recommended for use during the periods when VIIRS flood products are unavailable.
- Once the high resolution (**375 m**) flood product from VIIRS become available (3-4pm local solar time over a given region, assuming DB availability), assessments can be revised using finer and more accurate details of the flood extent, depending on cloud cover over ROI at time of S-NPP and NOAA-20 passes.
- When available, the Joint VIIRS/ABI or VIIRS/AHI Flood products are highly recommended for an initial evening assessment, since they provide the best coverage from ABI or AHI and the more accurate floodwater details from VIIRS.
- When it is always partially cloudy during a period, the VIIRS daily or 5-day composited flood products are also recommended for use as they filter out the cloud cover through a maximal water-fraction composition process and can reflect the maximal flood extent during a day or the latest five days.
- Remember that the all of the flood products are produced during **daytime only**, thus the products will not be updated overnight

Example cases – Vietnam, 16 October 2020

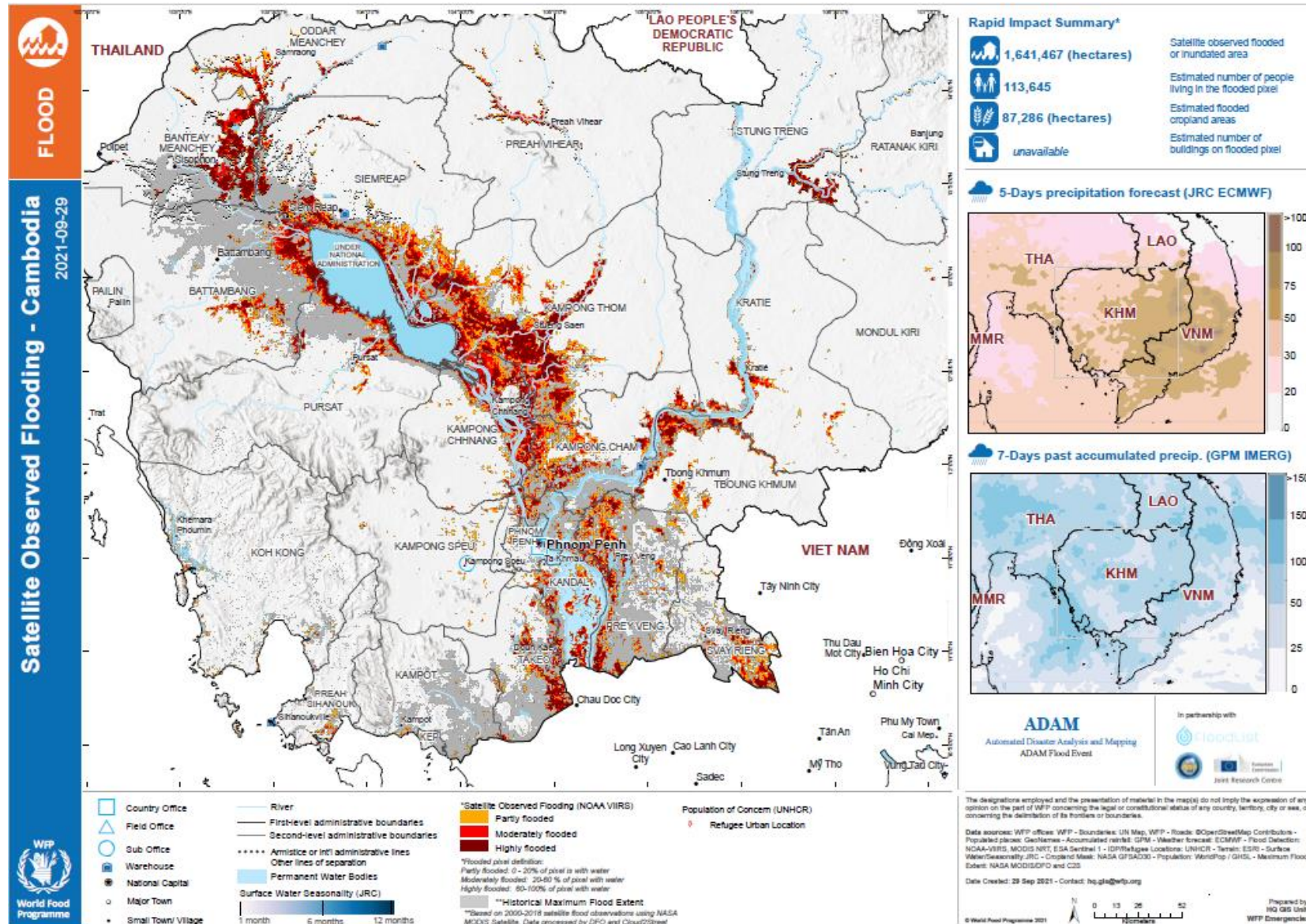
- Tropical storms have brought heavy rainfall and high wind speeds causing severe flooding across Vietnam's central provinces. At least 23 people have been killed and 14 people are reported missing.
- Local authorities have evacuated 46,000 people from the worst affected areas. Over 100,000 homes have been flooded. The national disaster management authority also reported damage to roads and bridges and over 584 hectares of crops are inundated.
- <https://disasterscharter.org/web/guest/activations/-/article/flood-large-in-vietnam-activation-680->



Example cases – International Charter/WFP



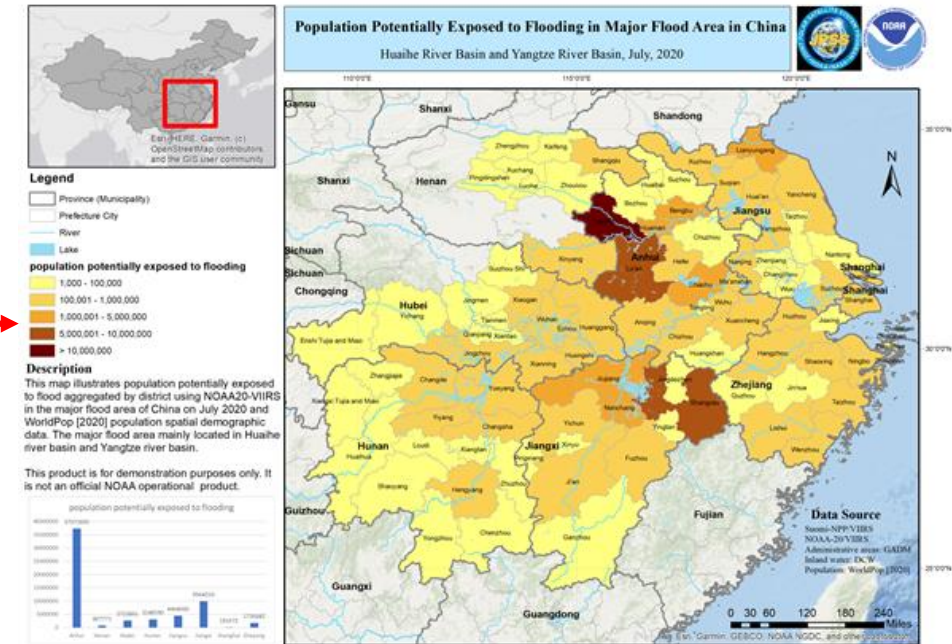
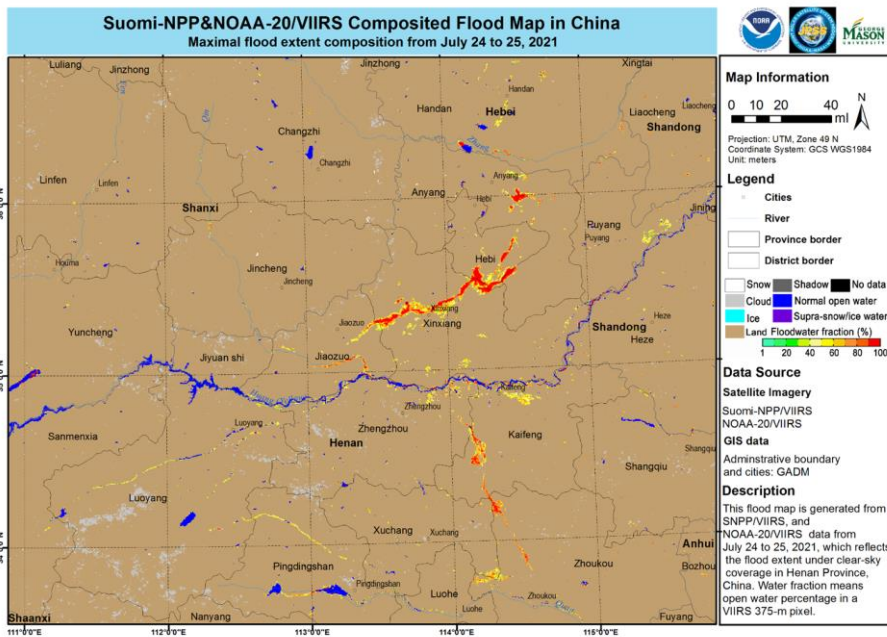
Example case – World Food Programme



Tying satellite data and socio-economic information together

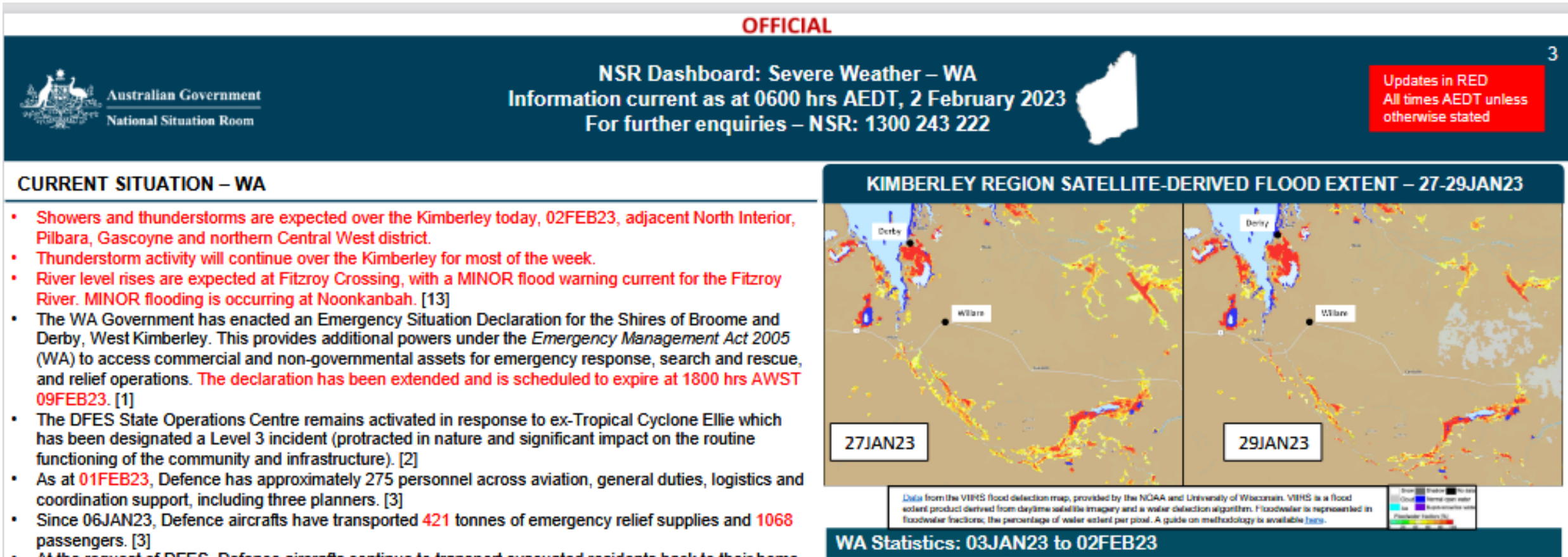


ArcGIS or similar application



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Example cases – Australia Bureau of Meteorology

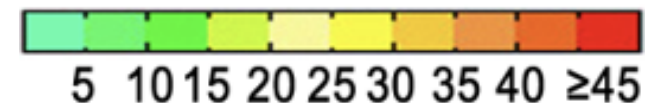
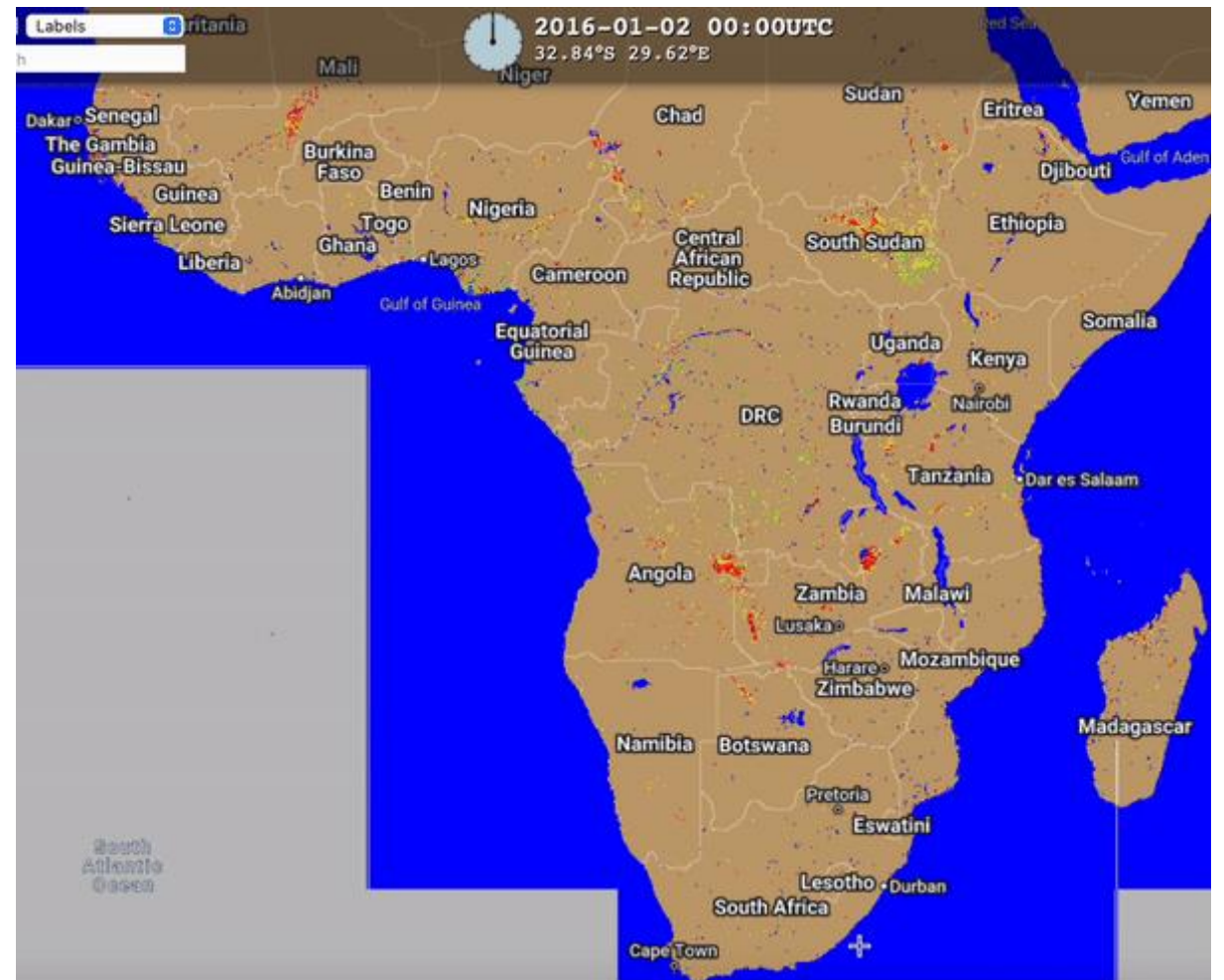


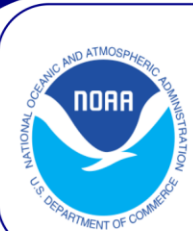
Satellites as a *tool to assess flood risk*

By utilizing derived flood maps, one can create a global or regional assessment of the number of days a given area is flooded for a given year (or longer time period).

This can help assess where the most flood prone regions are and help with flood mitigation/preparedness efforts

Currently NOAA has derived optically based VIIRS daily and 5-day flood maps for (2012-2020) to begin this effort, making it freely available to users for analysis.





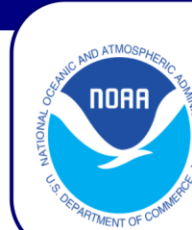
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Quick Guide of Flood Products

- Real Earth Website: <https://realearth.ssec.wisc.edu/?products=RIVER-FLD-AHI.75,RIVER-FLD-joint-AHI.75,RIVER-FLDglobal-composite1.-100,RIVER-FLDglobal-composite.75,RIVER-FLDglobal¢er=10,120&zoom=4&basemap=streets&labels=-×pan=-5d×tep=1d>
- Visit JPSS (amazon aws) link: https://noaa-jpss.s3.amazonaws.com/index.html#JPSS_Blended_Products/
- Visit FTP: <https://www.ssec.wisc.edu/flood-map-demo/ftp-link/ftp-link-ahijoint/>
- Set your AOI. For example: Vietnam's AOI (090, 091, and 120).
- Knowing the flood area (the city or river name)
- JPSS link (2012 – 2020) – Floodwater fraction layer (00-100%).
- Ftp-link (the last ten days) – all layer of floodwater fraction. Recommended – Download each day.

FTP Link & JPSS



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FTP link

For larger downloads, use an ftp or http tool and search
ftp://floodlight.ssec.wisc.edu/joint/*AHI.***

or

https://floodlight.ssec.wisc.edu/joint/*AHI.***

Satellite: ☐ VIIRS ☐ ABI ☐ AHI ☒ JOINT

File type: ☐ GeoTiff ☐ Shapefile

Region: ☐ VIIRS_ABI ☒ VIIRS_AHI

Area Of Interest:

☐ 064 ☐ 065 ☐ 066 ☐ 067 ☐ 077 ☐ 078 ☐ 079 ☐ 080 ☐ 090 ☐ 091
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AWS S3 Explorer

noaa-jpss / JPSS_Blended_Products / VFM_5day_GLB / ShapeZIP

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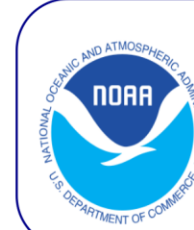
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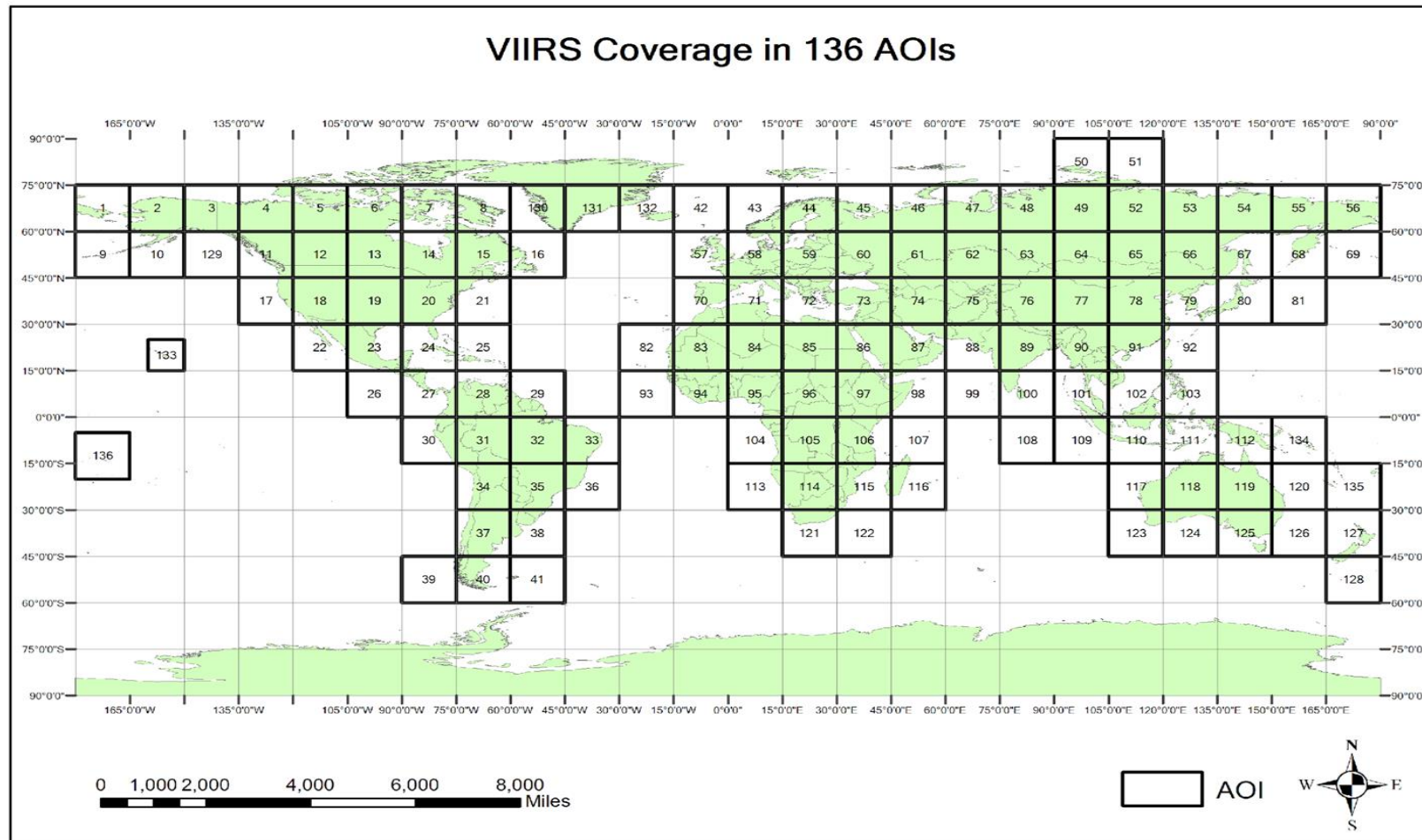
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Data *Format*

Shapefile Data

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Data from FTP link (open in ArcGIS)

Add Data

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Show of type:

Datasets, Layers and Results

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Data from JPSS (open in ArcGIS)

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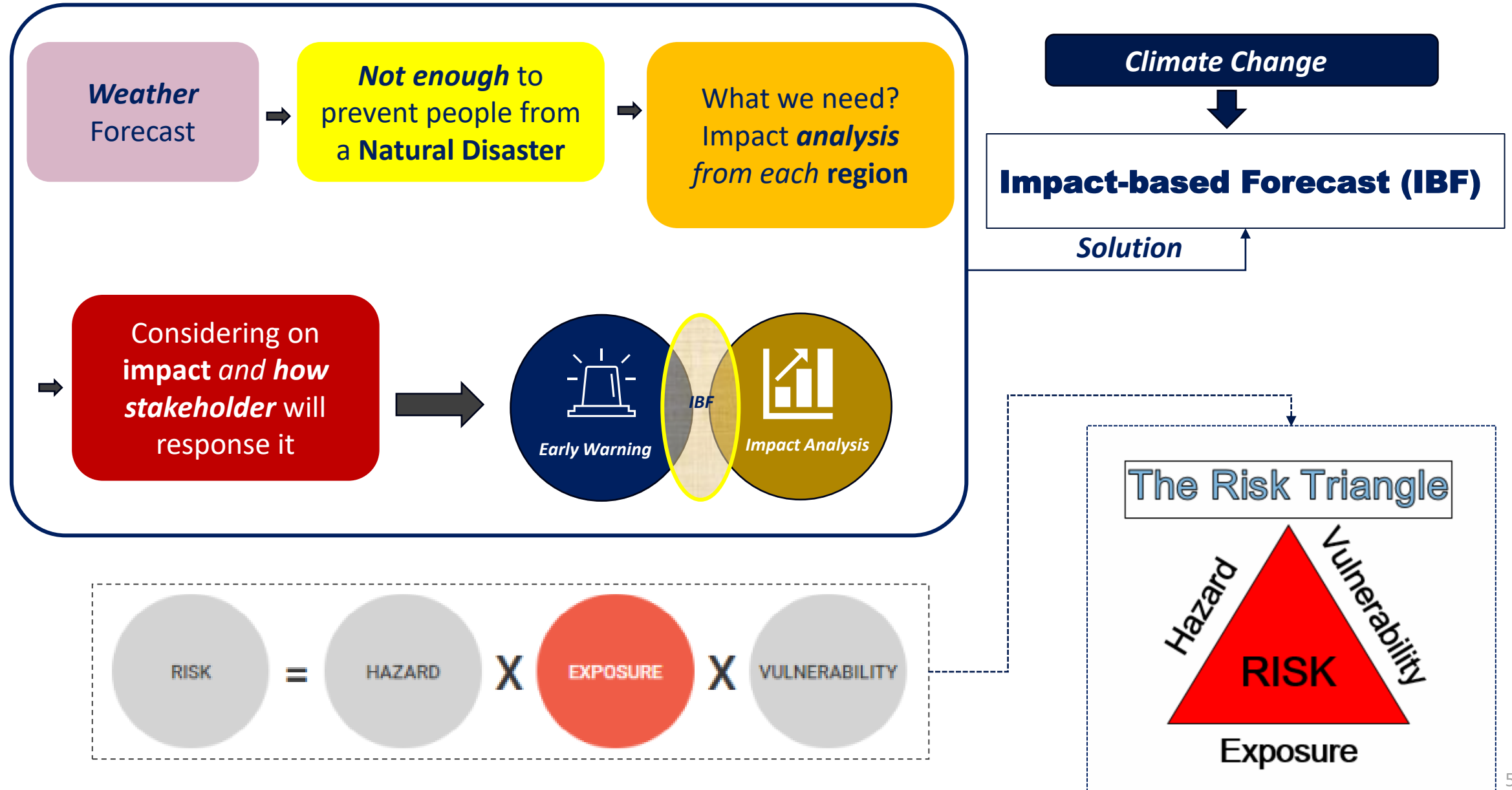
Display *the Data*

Using the ArcGIS

- Many tools in ArcGIS
- The arc Toolbox for advanced analysis.
- Spatial analyst tool, Analysis tool, and Multidimensional tool.



Impact & Response





**Impact & Response Table
(15 June 2021), Full
Support from Regional
Disaster Management
(BNPB) Maluku Province.**





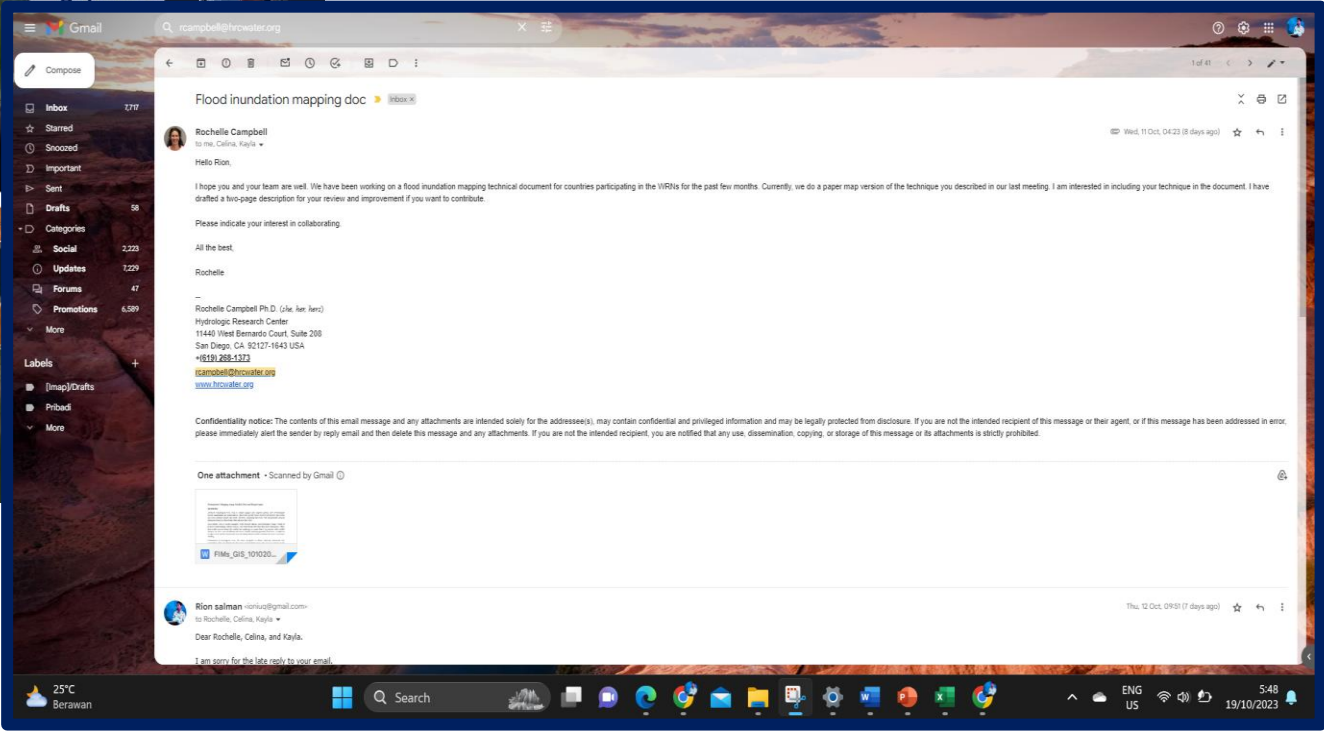
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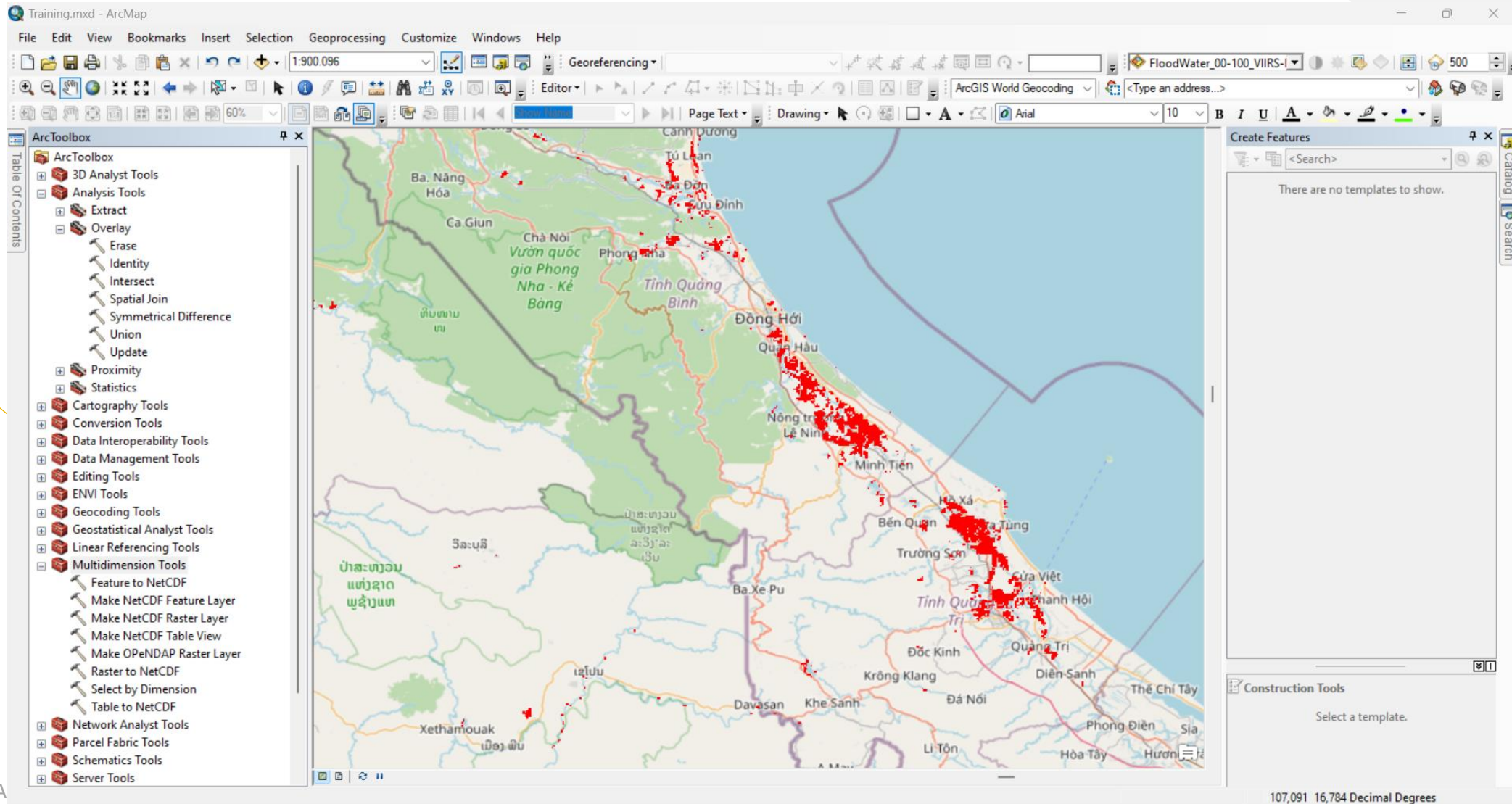
Meeting with Weather-Ready Nation (WRN) on 28 September 2023



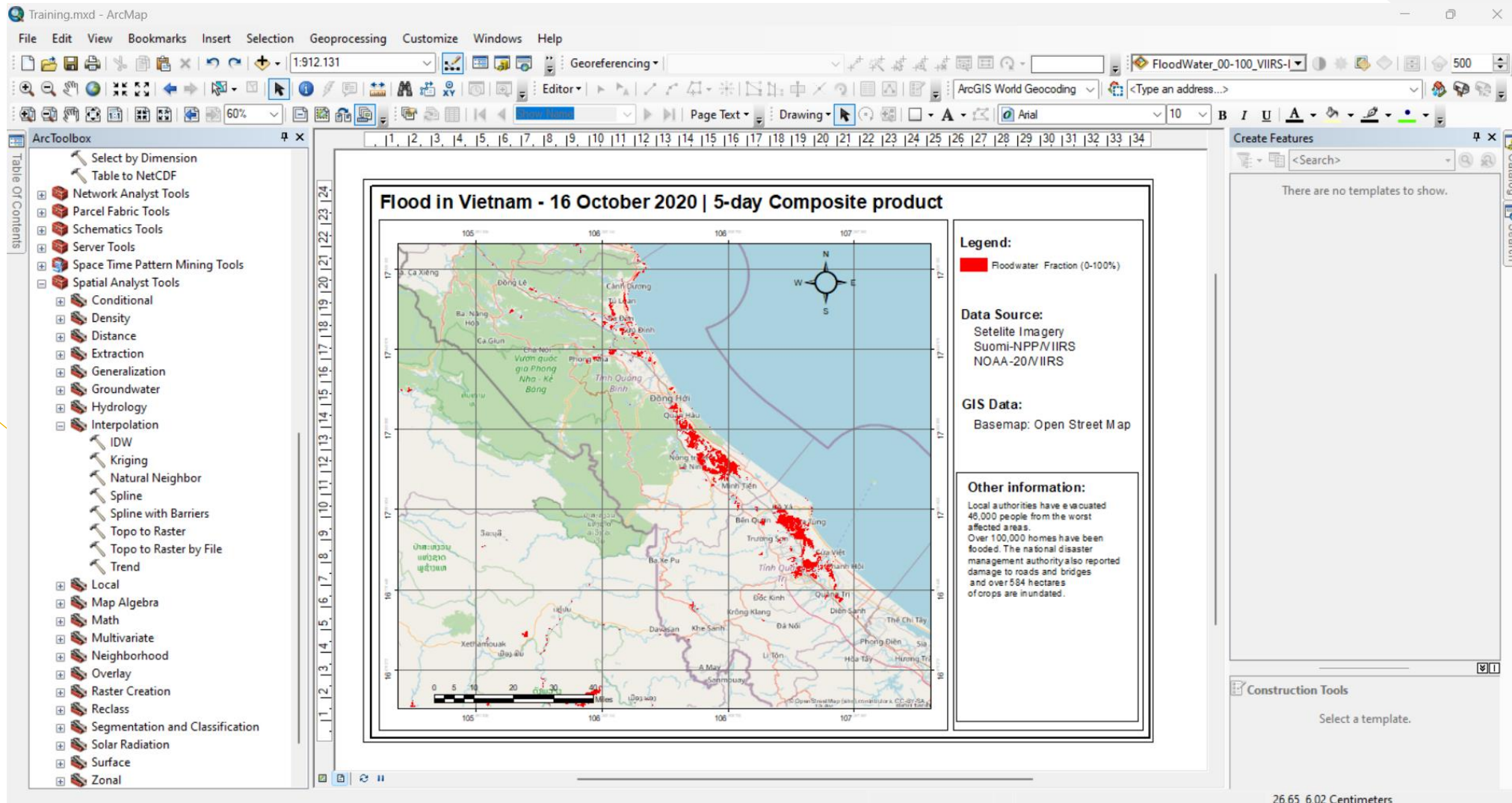
Future work with WRN: Joint Paper



ArcGIS

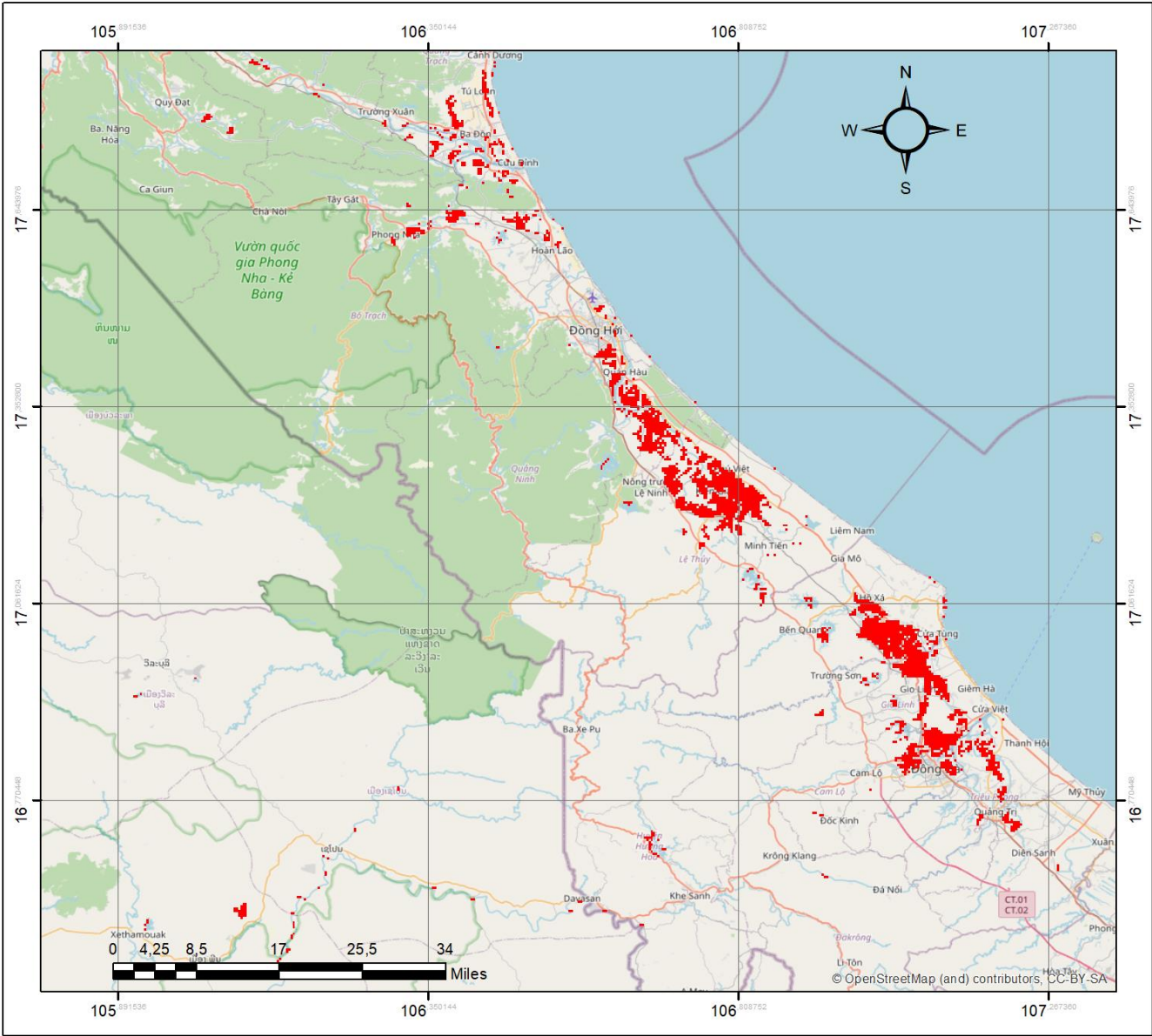


ArcGIS



Result

Flood in Vietnam - 16 October 2020 | 5-day Composite product



Legend:

■ Floodwater Fraction (0-100%)

Data Source:

Setelite Imagery
Suomi-NPP/VIIRS
NOAA-20/VIIRS

GIS Data:

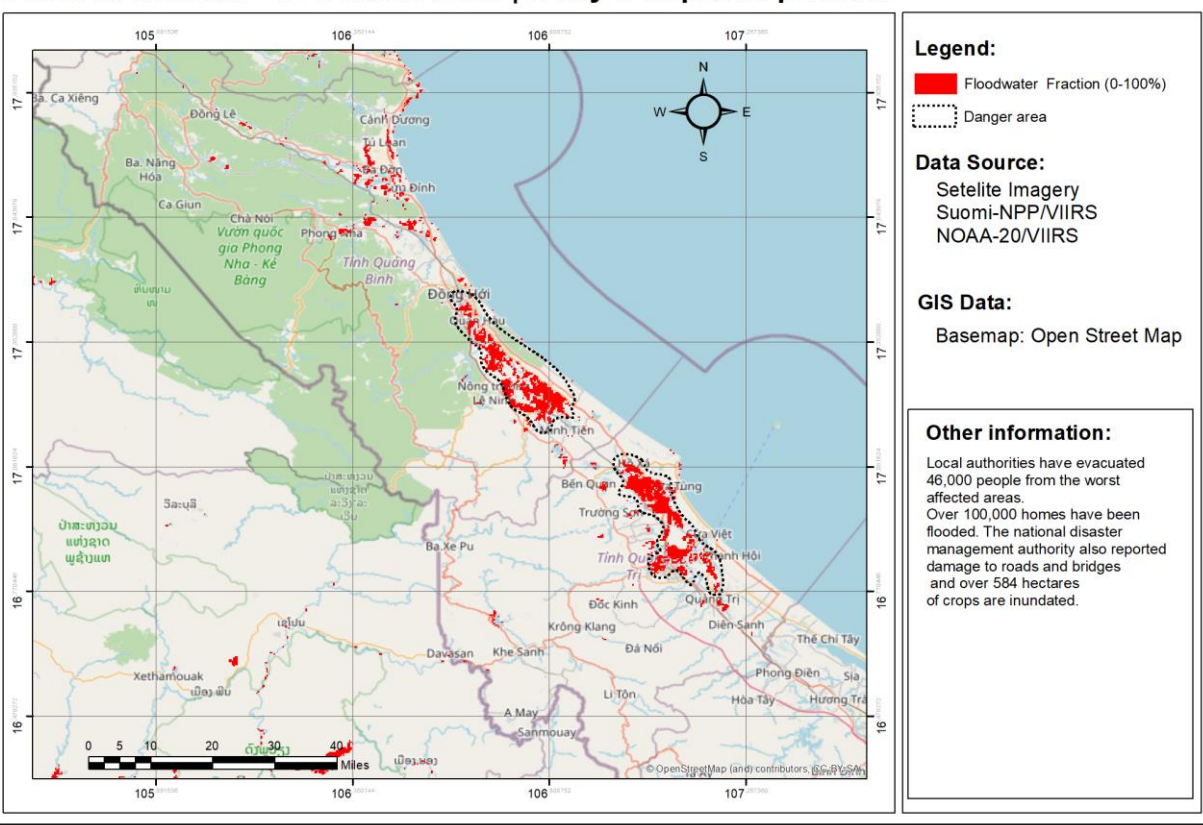
Basemap: Open Street Map

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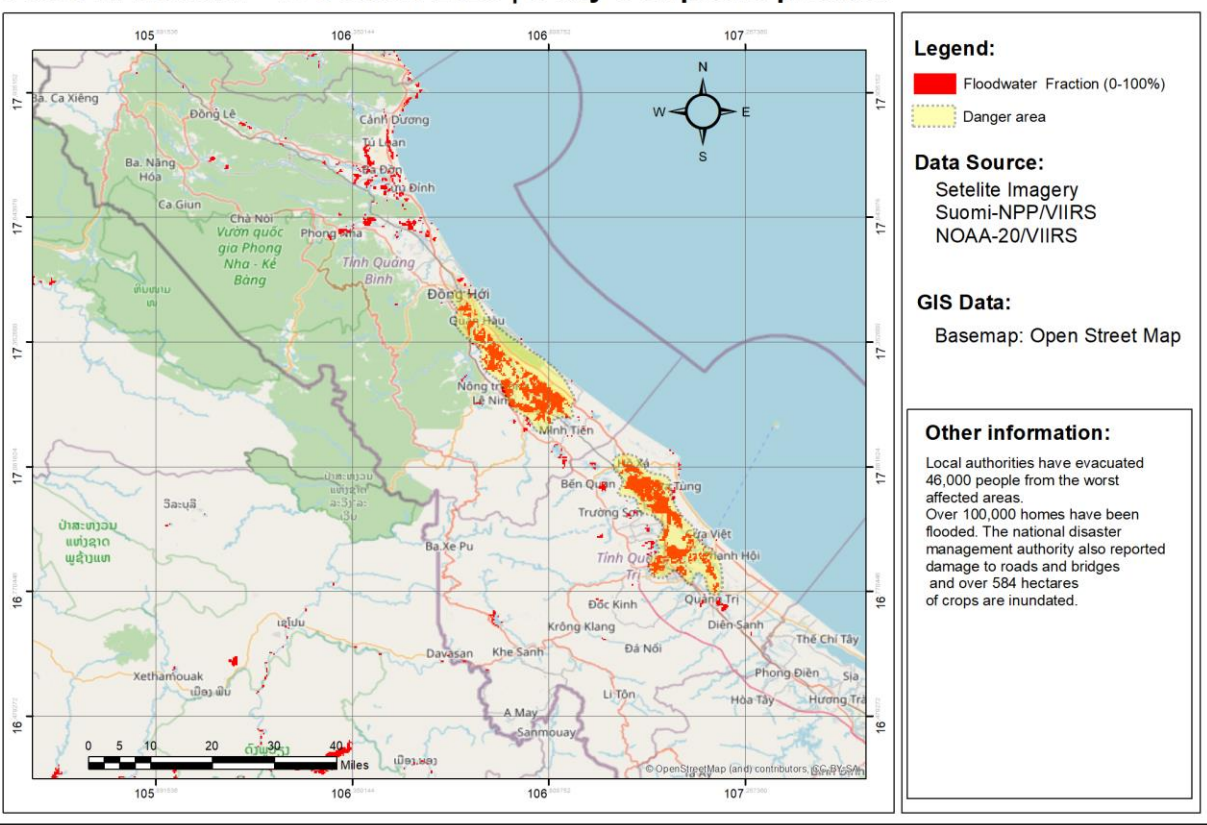
Local authorities have evacuated 46,000 people from the worst affected areas. Over 100,000 homes have been flooded. The national disaster management authority also reported damage to roads and bridges and over 584 hectares of crops are inundated.

Result

Flood in Vietnam - 16 October 2020 | 5-day Composite product



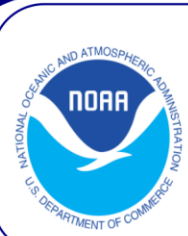
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“Keep it simple but cover all aspects”

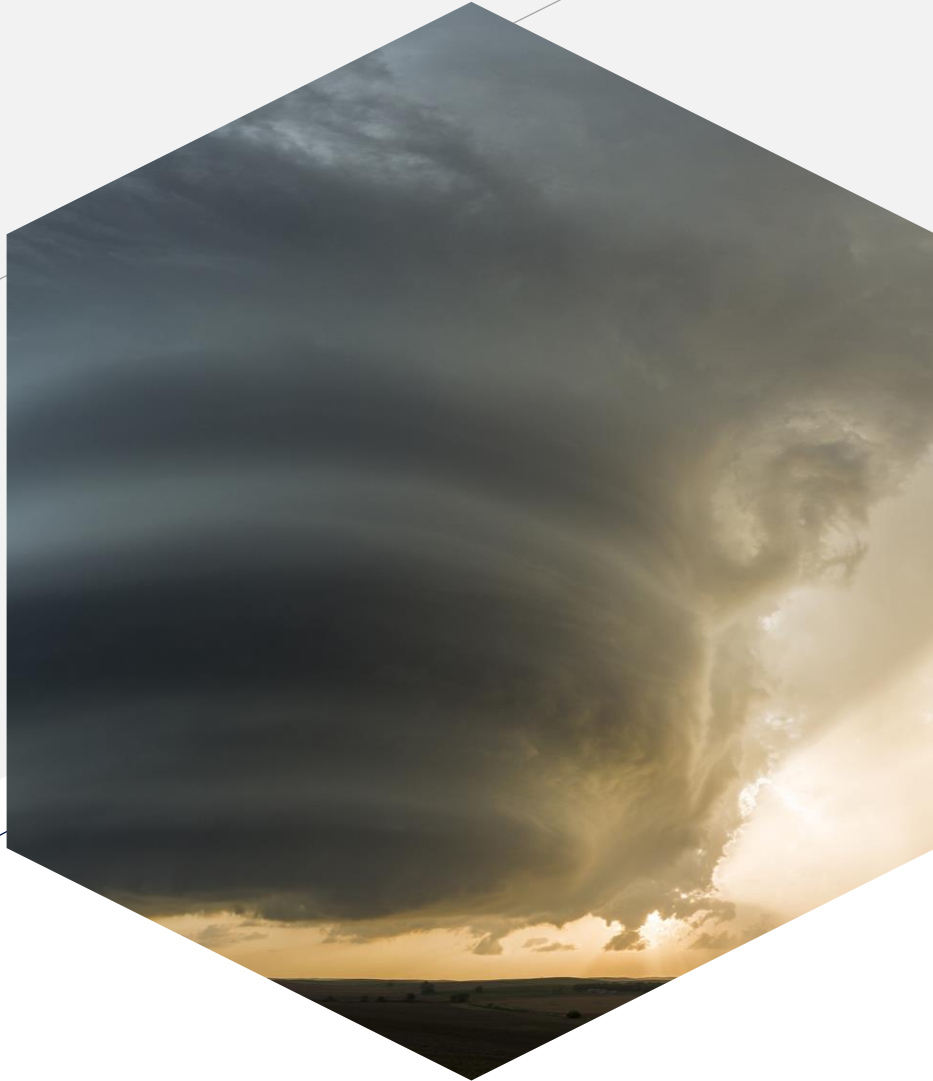
Case *Study*

1. Dina – Indonesia
2. Guile Saligo – Philippines
3. Vanessa – Cameroon
4. Kahlan – Oman
5. Doni - Indonesia



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“Practice Time”



Thank You | Terima *Kasih*



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<https://www.ssec.wisc.edu/flood-map-demo/flood-products/>