

James River Water Quality Model Refinement and Scenario Runs

Progress Report

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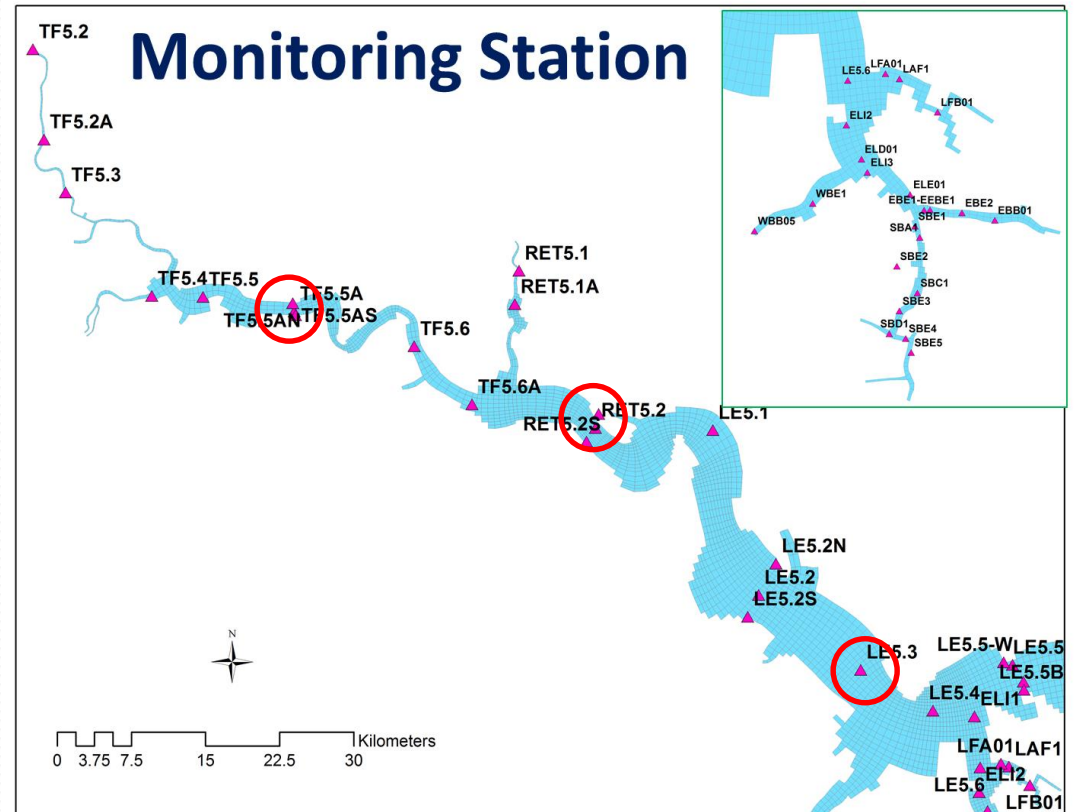
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- Progress update
- Model calibration/verification results
- Model uncertainty
 - Model kinetic processes (model structure)
 - Parameter uncertainty
- Model response to load reduction
- Discussion

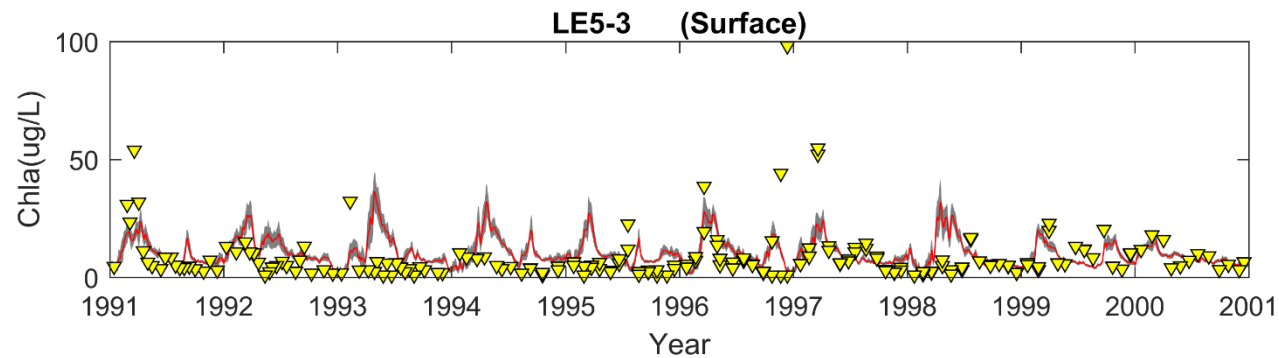
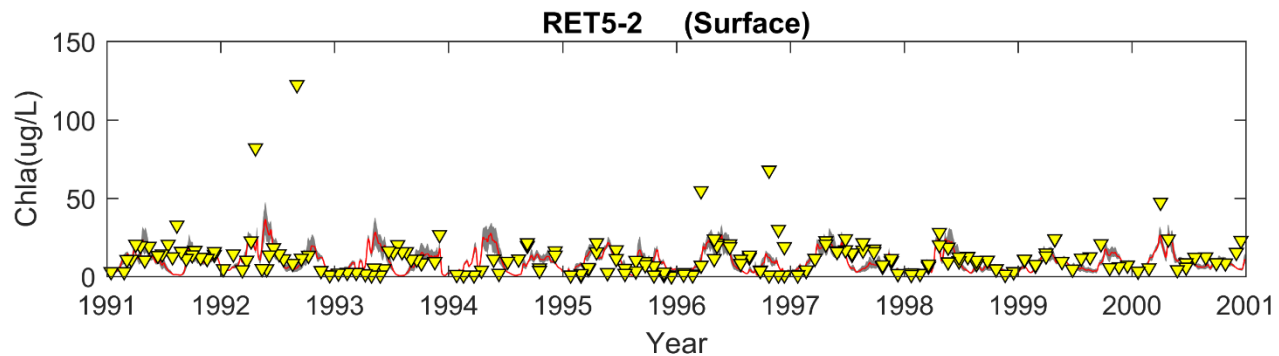
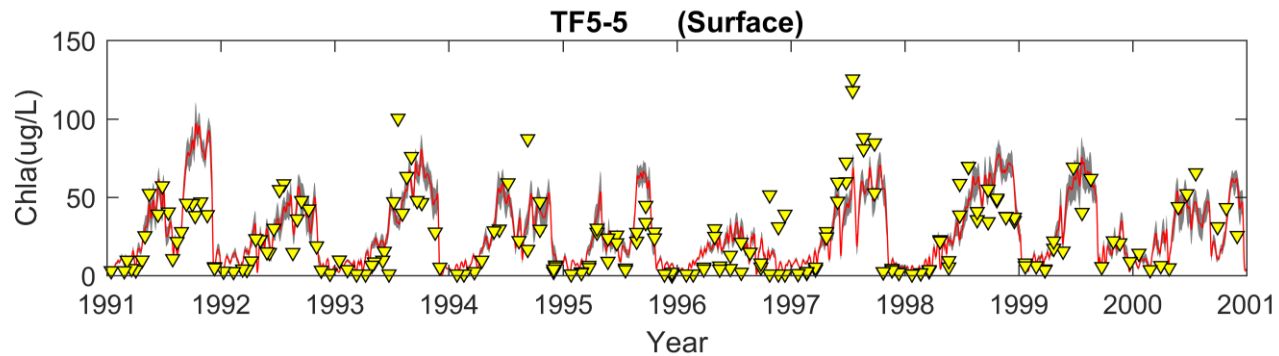
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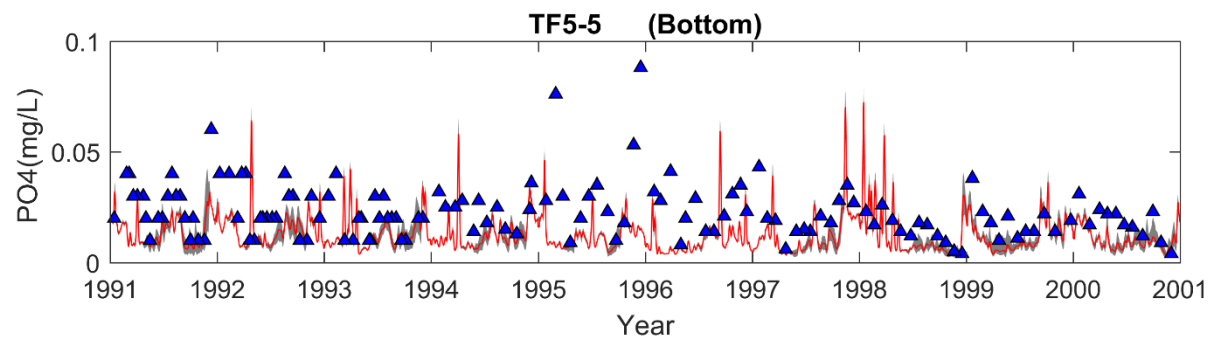
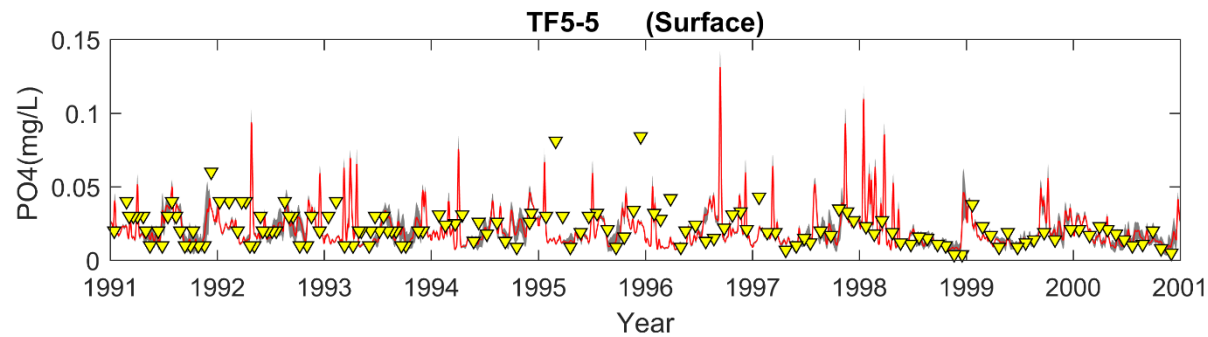
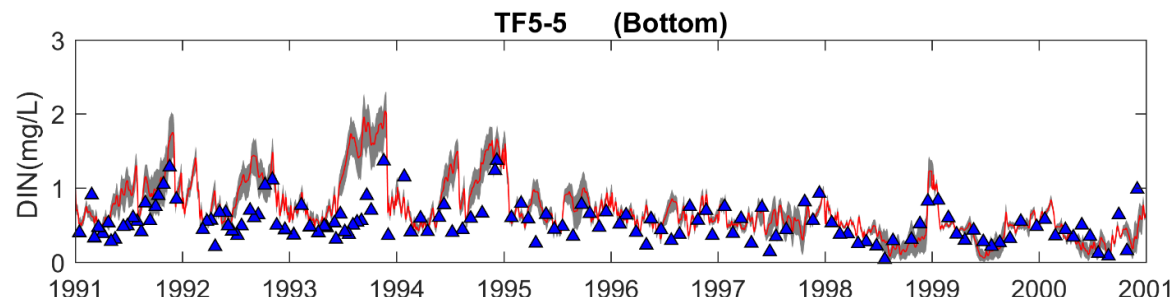
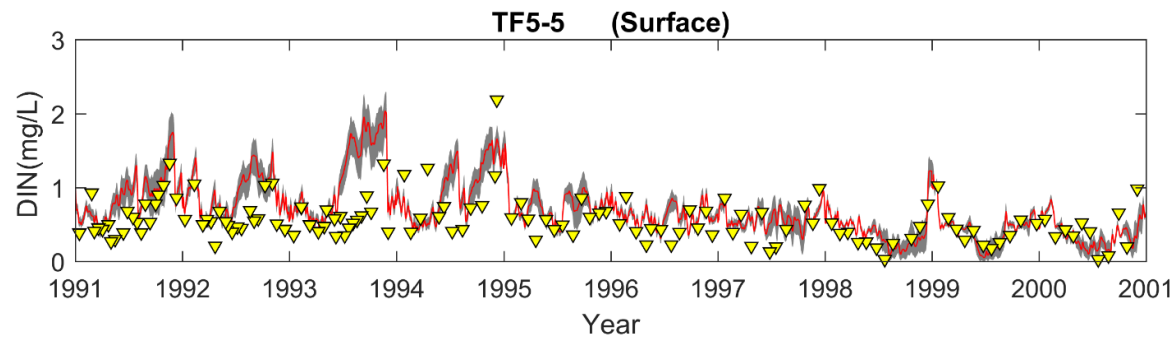
- Received data
 - Final Phase 6 watershed nonpoint source model results 1985-2014 (nonpoint/point, bank erosion, atmospheric deposition)
 - Results of scenario runs (loading and open boundary conditions)
 - WIP2 scenario
 - 2013 progress
 - E3
 - Non action
 - 1985 Progress
 - 1993 Progress
- Refined model calibration
- Conducted model scenario runs
- Sensitivity test for model response to load reduction

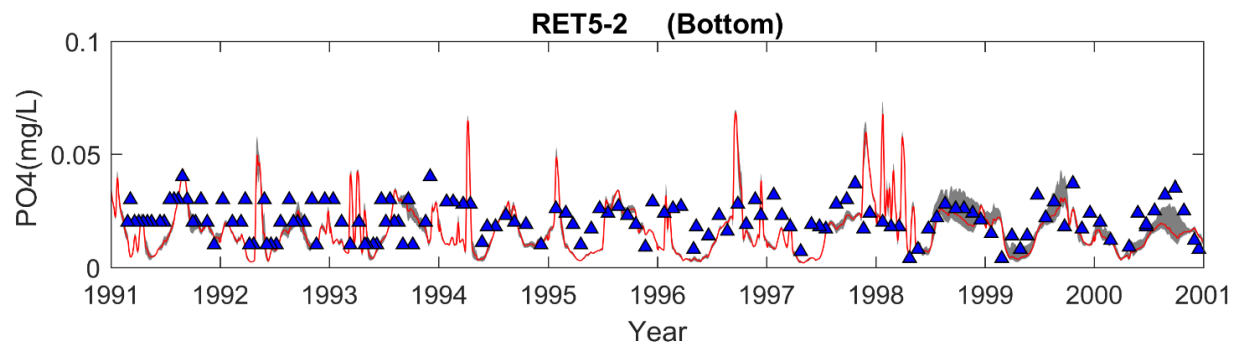
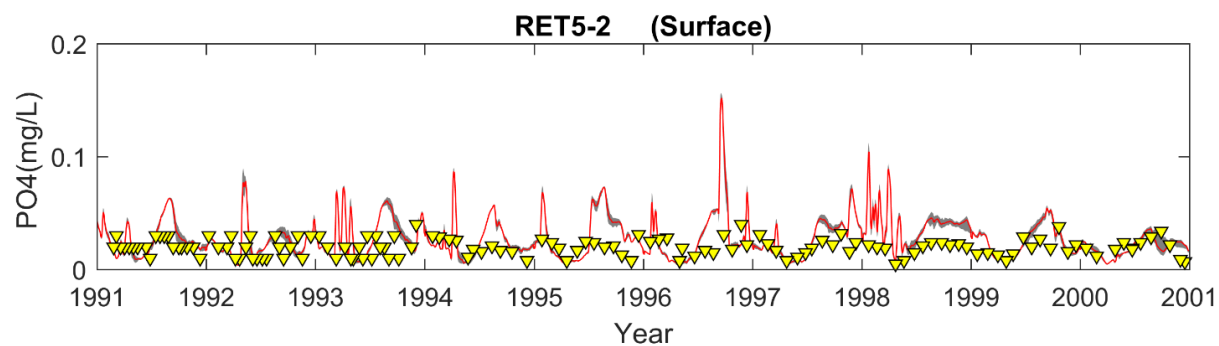
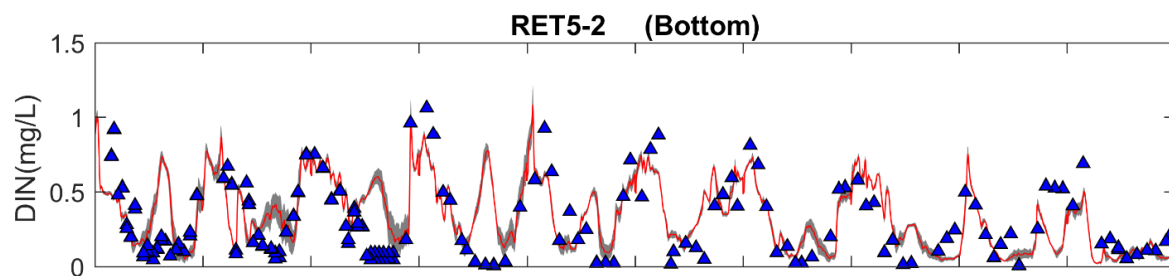
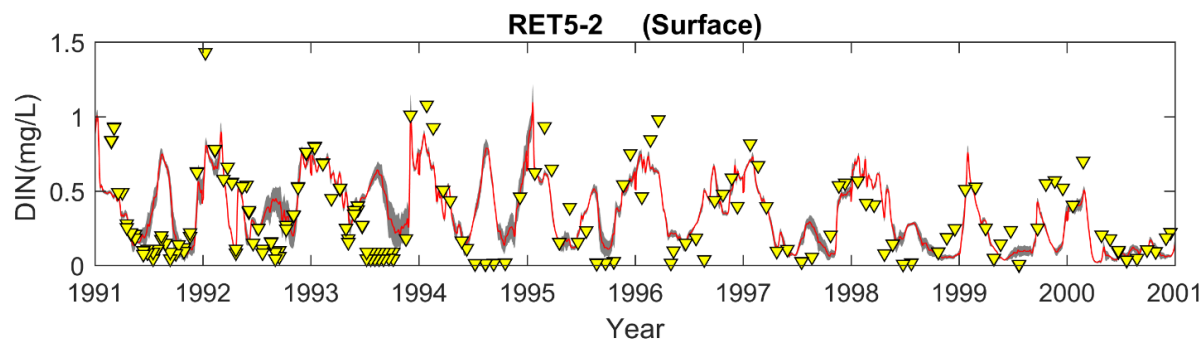
- Tidal freshwater (TF5-5)
- Oligohaline (RET5-2)
- Mesohaline (EL5-3)

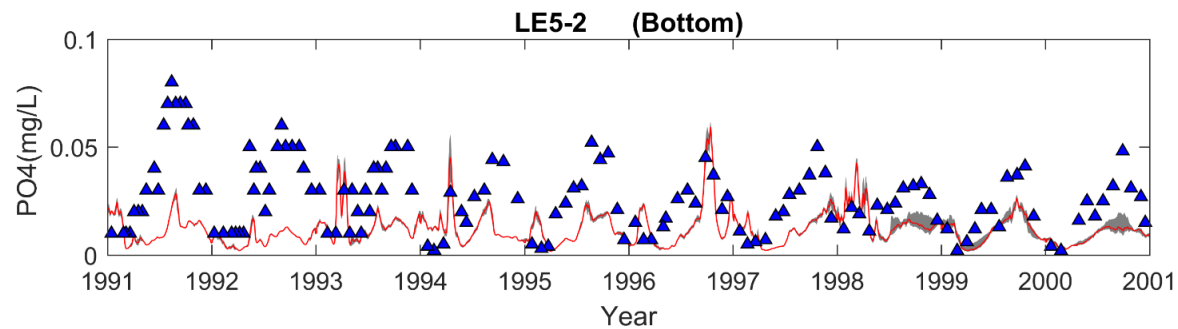
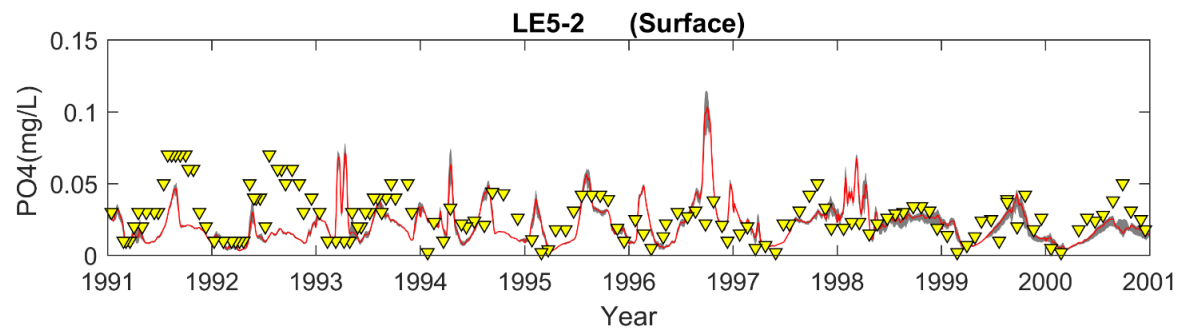
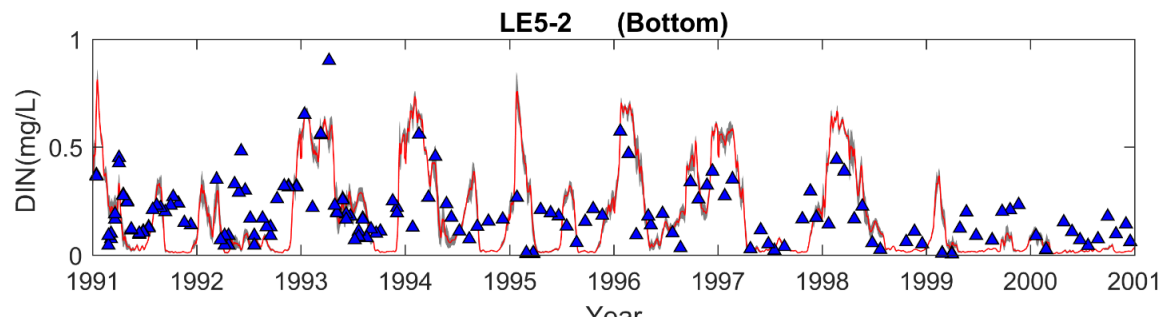
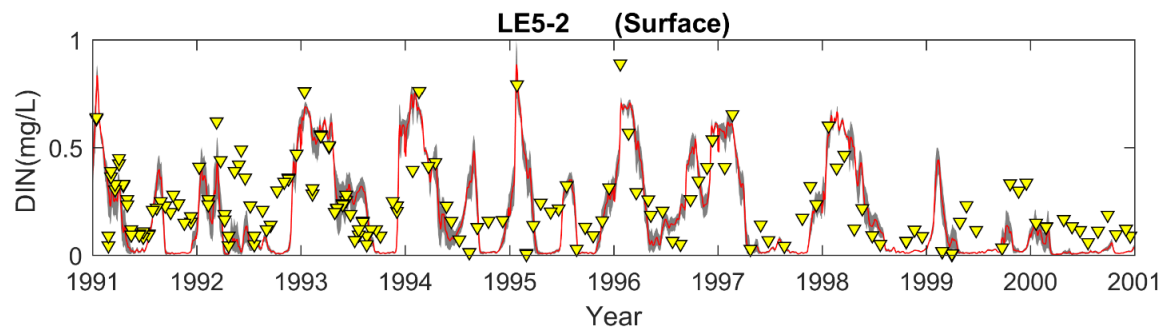


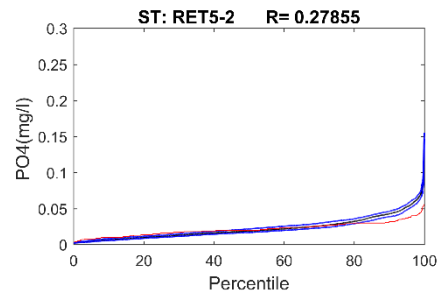
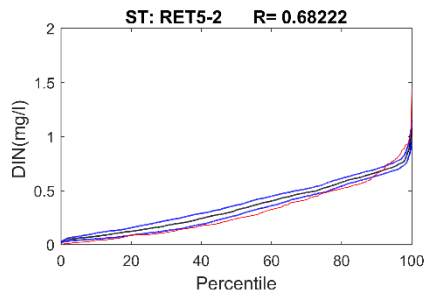
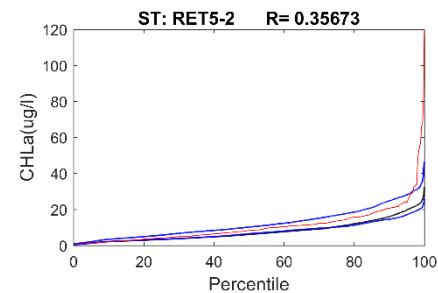
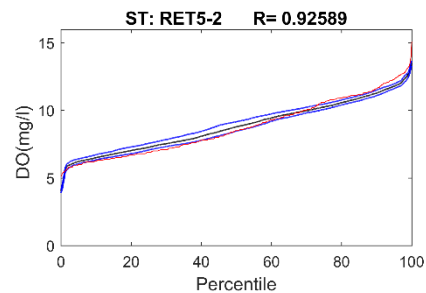
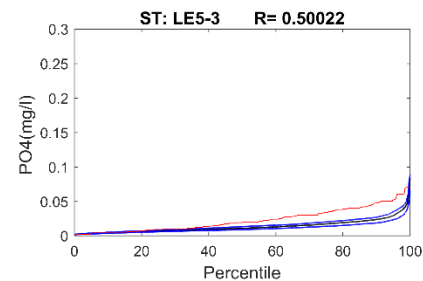
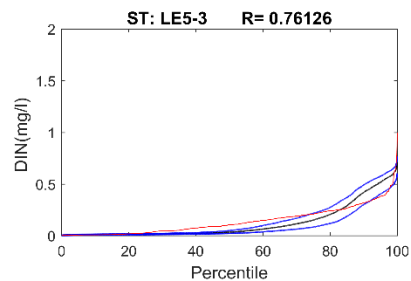
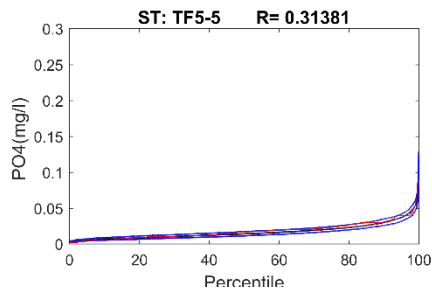
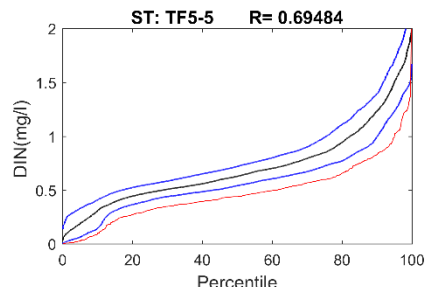
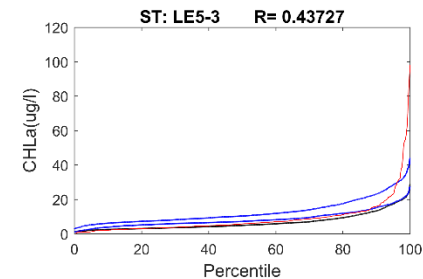
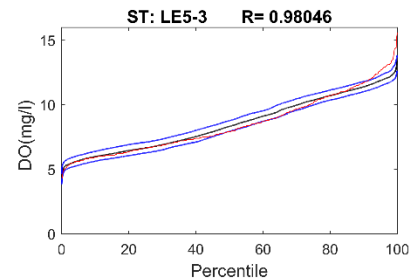
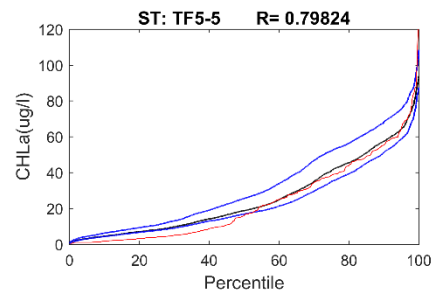
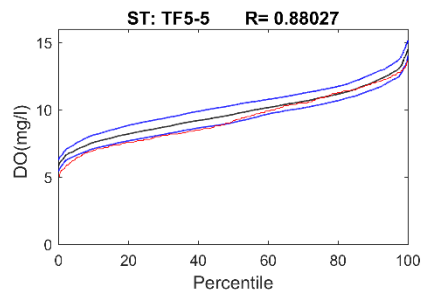
Model Calibration Results











Statistical Summary

Chl a (TF5-5)

Station	RMSE	R	Mean Diff.	Abs. Diff.	Relative Diff. (%)	Obs. mean	Model mean	Obs. Std.	Model Std.	# of nata
TF5-2A	8.53	-0.08	-0.74	5.49	120.60	4.55	5.29	7.39	3.70	134
TF5-3	9.43	0.00	0.60	6.63	102.90	6.44	5.84	8.82	3.39	136
TF5-4	12.78	0.81	0.54	7.71	35.90	21.50	20.96	21.70	18.45	139
TF5-5	14.81	0.80	-2.70	9.62	38.90	24.71	27.42	23.78	21.85	139
TF5-5A	18.96	0.69	-0.70	10.60	40.10	26.43	27.13	26.27	17.60	137
TF5-6	12.59	0.27	-0.83	8.77	65.00	13.49	14.32	12.43	7.31	139
RET5-2	12.82	0.36	2.09	5.59	47.30	11.83	9.74	13.53	6.06	139
LE5-1	7.02	0.33	0.43	4.11	49.90	8.23	7.80	7.13	4.43	139
LE5-2	14.80	0.59	1.91	6.62	64.50	10.27	8.36	17.45	5.94	139
LE5-3	10.62	0.44	-0.23	4.75	54.20	8.75	8.97	11.82	5.81	138
LE5-4	4.82	0.70	-1.04	3.01	38.60	7.80	8.83	6.36	5.61	135
LE5-5	4.07	0.79	-0.69	2.73	27.70	9.87	10.56	6.50	5.85	95
Average	10.94	0.47	-0.11	6.30	57.13	12.82	12.94	13.60	8.83	134

DIN (TF5-5)

Station	RMSE	R	Mean Diff.	Abs. Diff.	Relative Diff. (%)	Obs. mean	Model mean	Obs. Std.	Model Std.	# of nata
TF5-2A	0.21	0.38	-0.02	0.14	36.80	0.39	0.41	0.12	0.23	132
TF5-3	0.22	0.51	-0.01	0.15	33.70	0.45	0.46	0.15	0.26	134
TF5-4	0.20	0.61	0.09	0.15	43.60	0.35	0.26	0.21	0.18	135
TF5-5	0.25	0.71	-0.10	0.17	30.10	0.56	0.66	0.29	0.30	137
TF5-5A	0.24	0.69	-0.02	0.16	29.60	0.54	0.56	0.32	0.28	136
TF5-6	0.22	0.66	0.01	0.15	30.40	0.49	0.48	0.28	0.24	137
RET5-2	0.21	0.69	-0.03	0.15	45.60	0.33	0.35	0.29	0.22	133
LE5-1	0.18	0.71	0.00	0.14	44.30	0.31	0.30	0.24	0.23	135
LE5-2	0.14	0.78	0.05	0.10	42.70	0.24	0.20	0.18	0.20	131
LE5-3	0.12	0.80	0.07	0.09	46.60	0.19	0.12	0.16	0.16	125
LE5-4	0.11	0.72	0.07	0.08	53.80	0.15	0.08	0.11	0.11	126
LE5-5	0.08	0.70	0.04	0.05	58.90	0.08	0.04	0.09	0.06	98
Average	0.18	0.66	0.01	0.13	41.34	0.34	0.33	0.20	0.21	130

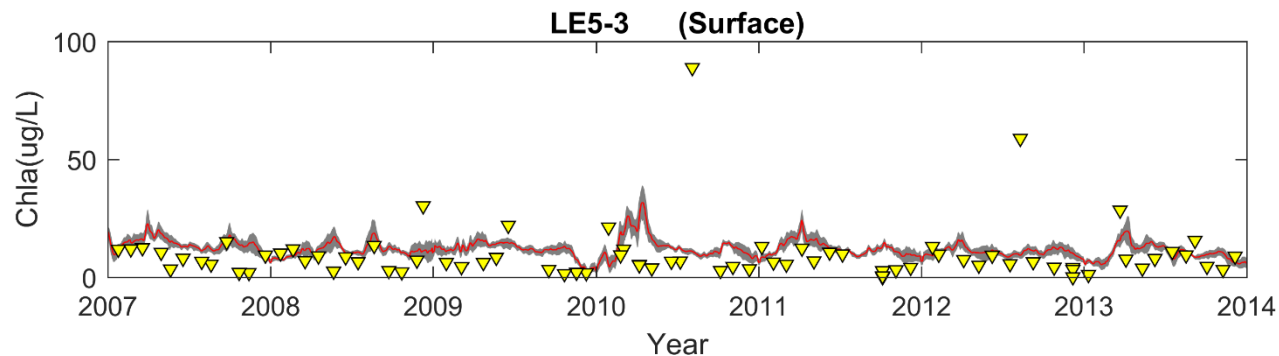
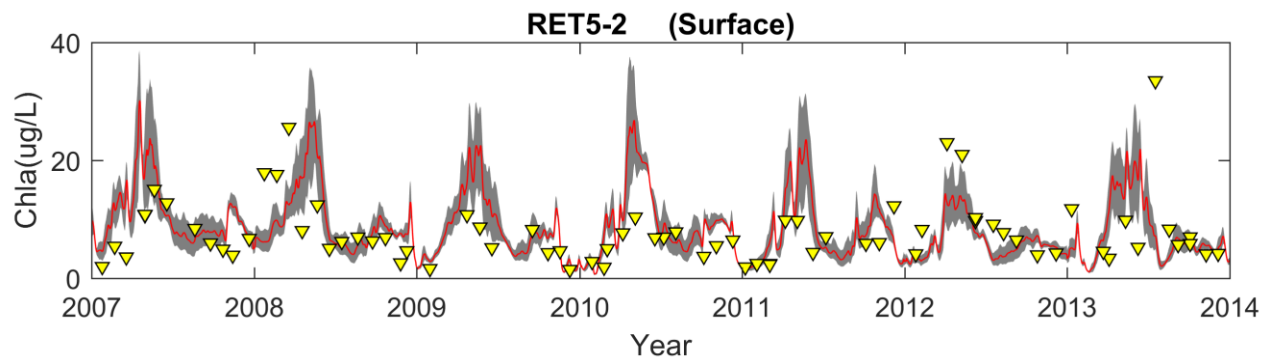
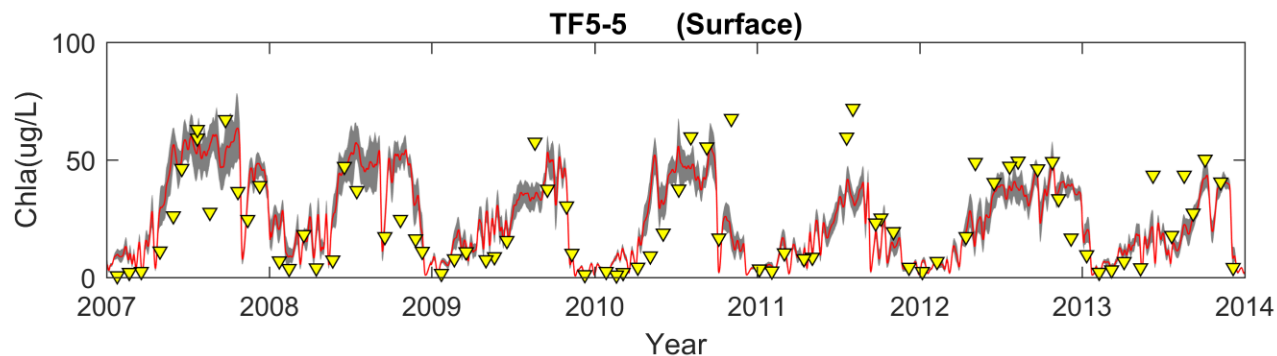
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TF5-4	0.22	0.55	0.10	0.16	46.10	0.35	0.26	0.22	0.18	133
TF5-5	0.24	0.68	-0.12	0.16	30.30	0.54	0.66	0.25	0.28	135
TF5-5A	0.23	0.67	-0.02	0.15	29.20	0.53	0.55	0.29	0.28	134
TF5-6	0.21	0.64	0.00	0.14	29.80	0.47	0.48	0.26	0.24	135
RET5-2	0.19	0.68	-0.03	0.14	45.60	0.31	0.33	0.26	0.21	131
LE5-1	0.17	0.70	-0.01	0.13	44.70	0.28	0.29	0.21	0.22	132
LE5-2	0.15	0.64	0.03	0.11	57.80	0.19	0.17	0.14	0.19	129
LE5-3	0.11	0.69	0.05	0.08	52.80	0.15	0.10	0.11	0.13	125
LE5-4	0.11	0.37	0.06	0.08	65.70	0.12	0.06	0.08	0.08	126
LE5-5	0.04	0.37	0.02	0.03	53.80	0.06	0.03	0.04	0.02	99
Average	0.17	0.58	0.00	0.12	43.74	0.32	0.32	0.18	0.19	129

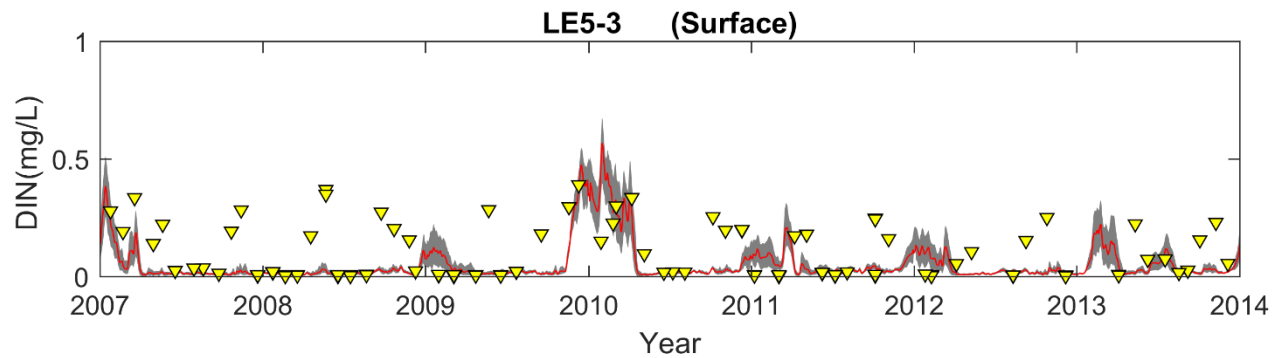
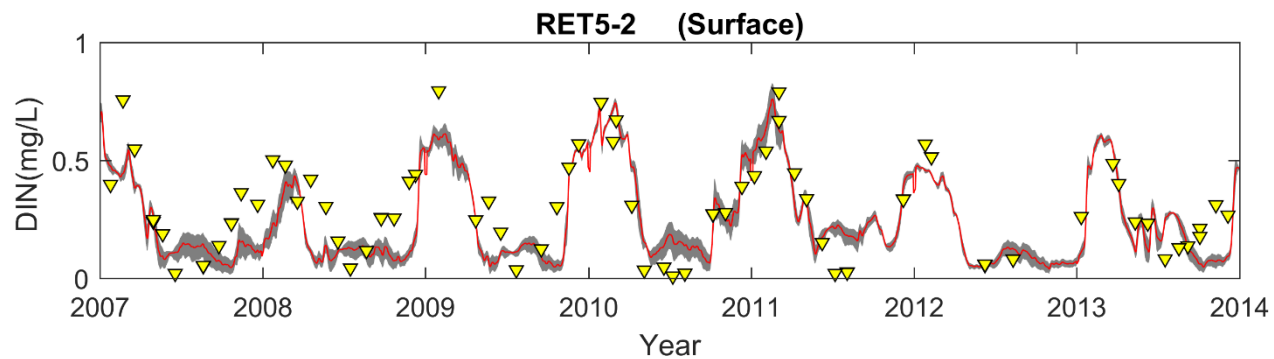
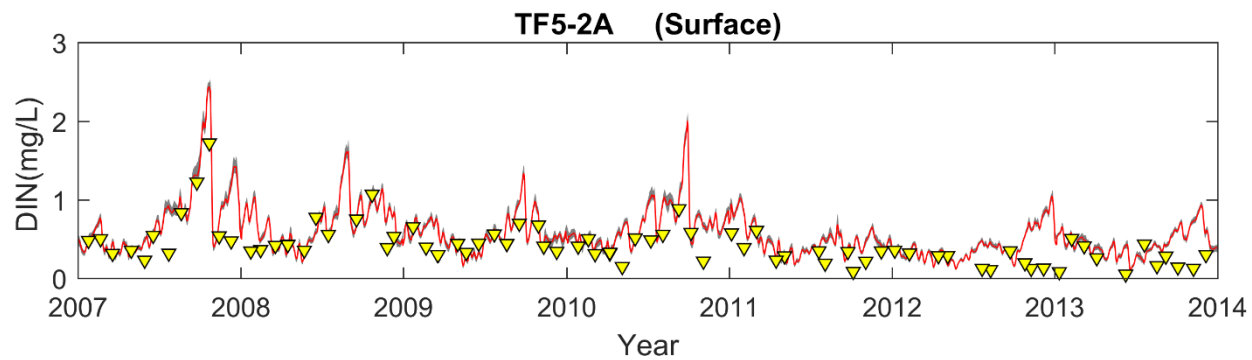
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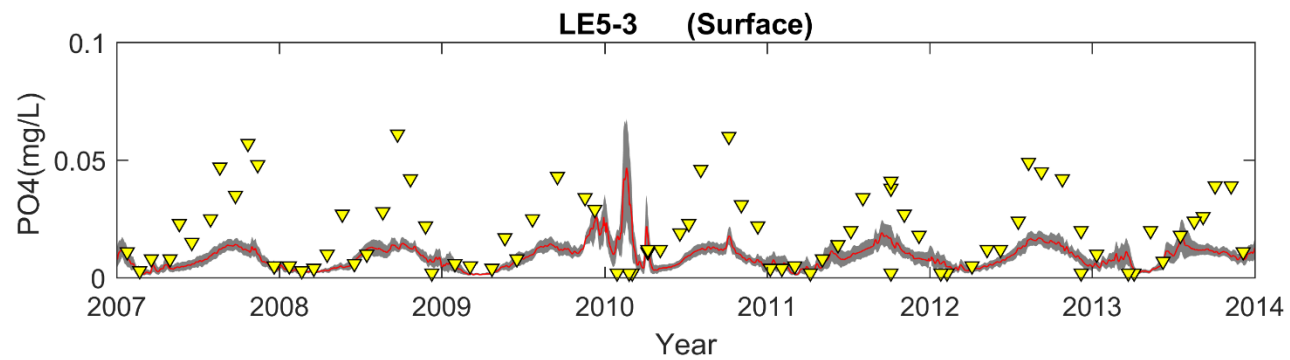
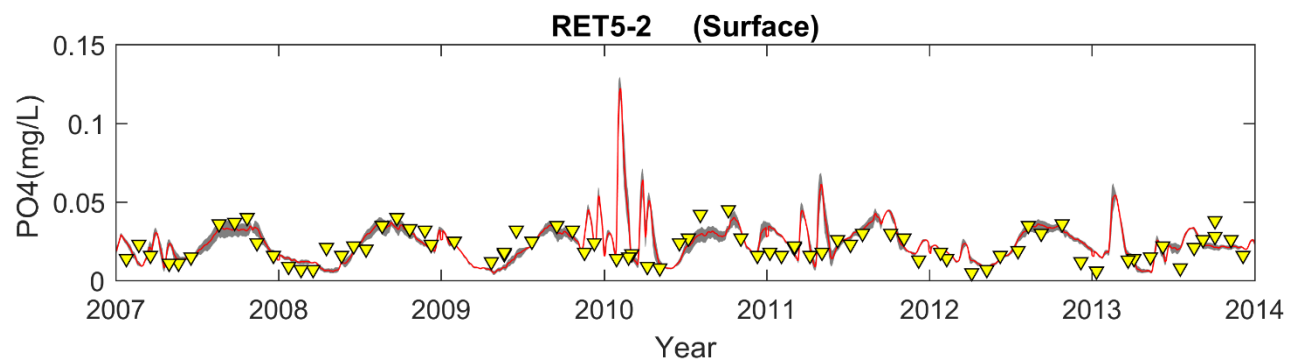
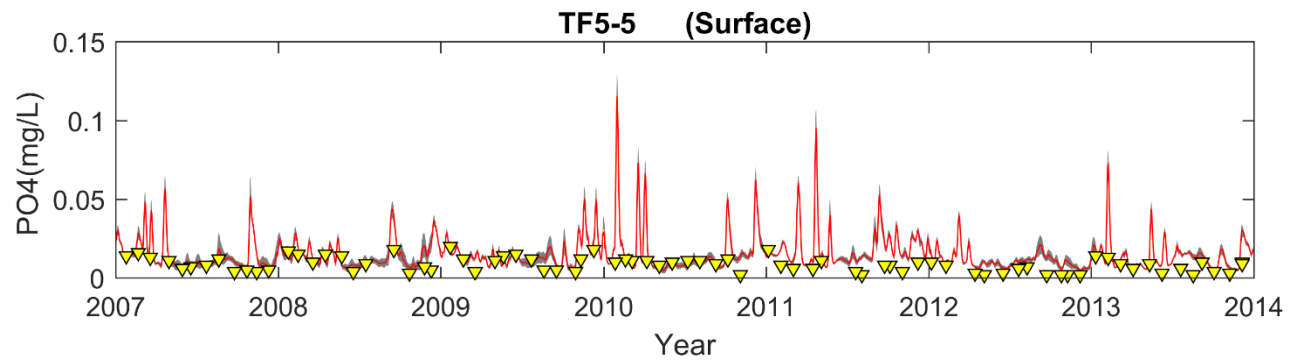
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TF5-3	0.02	0.35	0.01	0.02	46.40	0.04	0.03	0.02	0.02	137
TF5-4	0.01	0.33	0.01	0.01	42.90	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	139
TF5-5	0.01	0.39	0.00	0.01	33.60	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	139
TF5-5A	0.01	0.46	0.00	0.01	34.30	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	139
TF5-6	0.01	0.21	0.00	0.01	42.80	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	139
RET5-2	0.02	0.30	-0.01	0.01	58.20	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02	138
LE5-1	0.02	0.36	0.00	0.01	39.20	0.02	0.03	0.01	0.02	139
LE5-2	0.02	0.36	0.01	0.01	45.50	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	139
LE5-3	0.02	0.55	0.01	0.01	44.10	0.03	0.02	0.02	0.01	138
LE5-4	0.02	0.57	0.01	0.01	50.70	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	138
LE5-5	0.01	0.66	0.01	0.01	43.70	0.01	0.01	0.01	0.00	99
Average	0.02	0.41	0.00	0.01	44.18	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	135

Station	RMSE	R	Mean Diff.	Abs. Diff.	Relative Diff. (%)	Obs. mean	Model mean	Obs. Std.	Model Std.	# of nata
TF5-2A	0.03	0.34	0.02	0.03	63.40	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.01	135
TF5-3	0.03	0.35	0.02	0.02	57.10	0.04	0.02	0.02	0.01	137
TF5-4	0.02	0.23	0.01	0.01	55.80	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	138
TF5-5	0.02	0.30	0.01	0.01	44.80	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	139
TF5-5A	0.01	0.35	0.01	0.01	45.40	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	138
TF5-6	0.01	0.13	0.01	0.01	45.80	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	139
RET5-2	0.01	0.38	0.00	0.01	37.80	0.02	0.02	0.01	0.01	137
LE5-1	0.02	0.34	0.01	0.01	47.70	0.03	0.02	0.01	0.01	138
LE5-2	0.02	0.41	0.02	0.02	60.00	0.03	0.01	0.02	0.01	138
LE5-3	0.02	0.49	0.01	0.01	60.50	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.01	137
LE5-4	0.02	0.52	0.01	0.01	65.30	0.02	0.01	0.02	0.00	138
LE5-5	0.01	0.57	0.01	0.01	72.80	0.02	0.00	0.01	0.00	98
Average	0.02	0.37	0.01	0.01	54.70	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01	134

Model Verification Results







Statistics

Chl a
(surface)

Station	RMSE	R	Mean Diff.	Abs. Diff.	Relative Diff. (%)	Obs. mean	Model mean	Obs. Std.	Model Std.	# of nata
TF5-2A	9.24	-0.12	2.23	4.27	104.40	4.09	1.86	8.43	2.38	77
TF5-3	6.98	0.49	2.20	4.22	78.50	5.38	3.18	7.64	3.45	78
TF5-4	8.96	0.88	-2.07	6.36	33.60	18.94	21.00	18.54	16.40	73
TF5-5	10.66	0.85	-0.75	6.85	29.20	23.47	24.22	20.15	17.34	79
TF5-5A	12.07	0.69	-3.69	8.48	42.00	20.21	23.90	15.79	12.74	77
TF5-6	10.90	0.18	-5.40	8.39	106.50	7.88	13.28	7.66	7.16	78
RET5-2	4.20	0.67	0.07	2.43	31.10	7.80	7.74	5.66	3.72	73
LE5-1	19.23	0.34	2.49	4.96	53.50	9.27	6.79	19.97	2.87	72
LE5-2	25.65	0.30	4.37	8.78	68.00	12.92	8.55	26.41	4.38	74
LE5-3	11.19	0.42	1.06	4.32	44.00	9.82	8.76	12.30	3.98	75
LE5-4	5.78	0.60	0.20	2.72	28.30	9.59	9.39	7.26	4.53	76
LE5-5	4.62	0.91	-0.54	2.08	19.40	10.73	11.26	9.22	5.78	97
Average	10.79	0.52	0.01	5.32	53.21	11.67	11.66	13.25	7.06	77

DIN
(surface)

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TF5-2A	0.25	0.74	-0.15	0.17	40.30	0.42	0.57	0.26	0.30	78
TF5-3	0.22	0.77	-0.14	0.17	36.70	0.45	0.60	0.25	0.26	79
TF5-4	0.16	0.79	0.06	0.10	30.10	0.34	0.28	0.25	0.18	72
TF5-5	0.20	0.80	-0.01	0.09	20.80	0.41	0.42	0.33	0.26	78
TF5-5A	0.10	0.93	0.00	0.06	17.90	0.36	0.35	0.28	0.26	77
TF5-6	0.19	0.80	0.09	0.13	29.30	0.43	0.34	0.27	0.22	75
RET5-2	0.12	0.85	0.04	0.09	28.80	0.30	0.27	0.20	0.19	67
LE5-1	0.13	0.79	0.06	0.10	36.50	0.27	0.22	0.18	0.19	66
LE5-2	0.14	0.63	0.08	0.10	55.90	0.18	0.10	0.14	0.13	69
LE5-3	0.11	0.61	0.06	0.07	63.50	0.12	0.06	0.12	0.08	70
LE5-4	0.05	0.85	0.03	0.03	38.70	0.09	0.06	0.08	0.06	68
LE5-5	0.01	0.99	0.00	0.01	12.20	0.05	0.05	0.06	0.06	97
Average	0.14	0.80	0.01	0.09	34.23	0.28	0.28	0.20	0.18	75

Model Uncertainty of Simulation of phytoplankton

The influence of light on phytoplankton production is represented by a chlorophyll-specific production equation (Jassby and Platt, 1976; Cerco and Noel, 2004):

$$P^B = P^B_m \frac{I}{\sqrt{I^2 + IK^2}} \quad (3-1)$$

where:

P^B = photosynthetic rate (g C g⁻¹ Chl d⁻¹)

P^B_m = maximum photosynthetic rate (g C g⁻¹ Chl d⁻¹)

I = irradiance (E m⁻² d⁻¹)

Parameter IK is defined as the irradiance at which the initial slope of the production vs. irradiance relationship intersects the value of P^B_m :

$$IK = \frac{P^B_m}{\alpha} \quad (3-2)$$

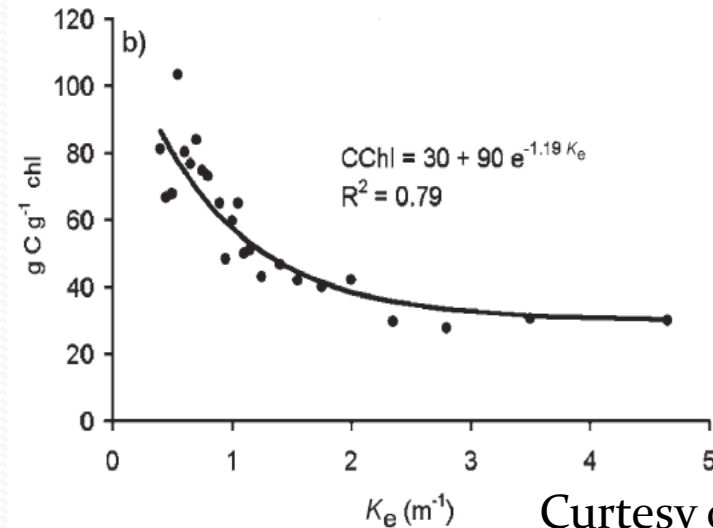
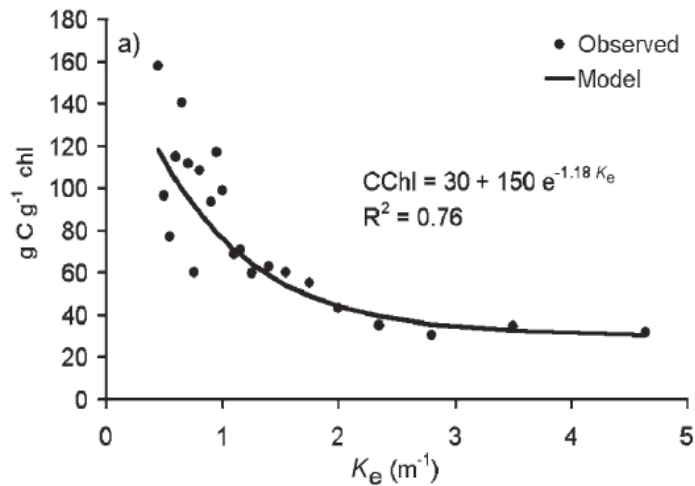
where: α = initial slope of production vs. irradiance relationship (g C g⁻¹ Chl (E m⁻²)⁻¹)

The chlorophyll-specific production rate is readily converted to the carbon-specific growth rate, through division by the carbon-to-chlorophyll ratio:

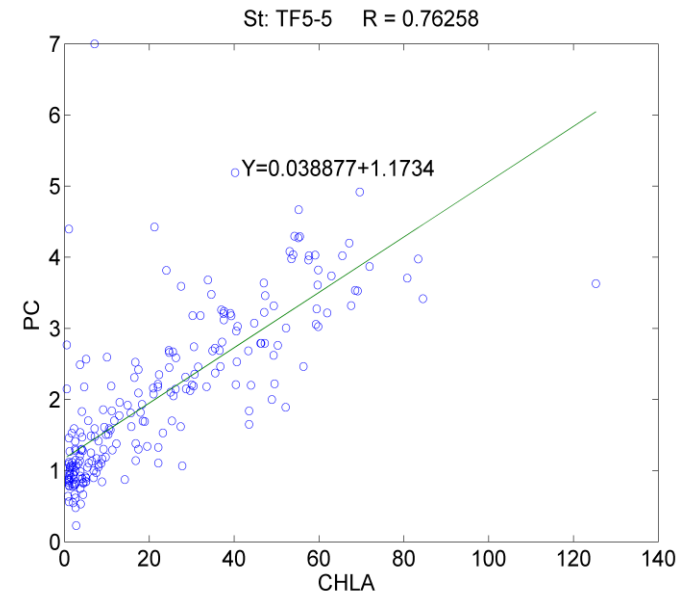
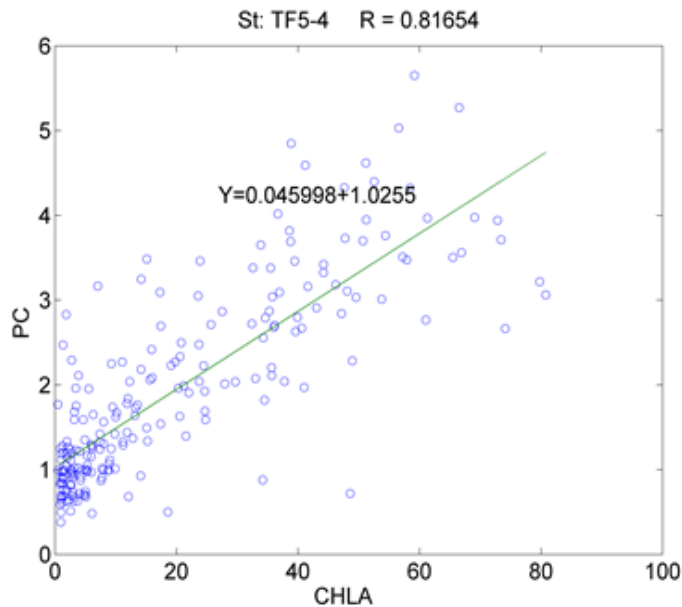
$$G = \frac{P^B}{CChl} \quad (3-3)$$

where: $CChl$ = carbon-to-chlorophyll ratio (g C g⁻¹ chlorophyll-a)

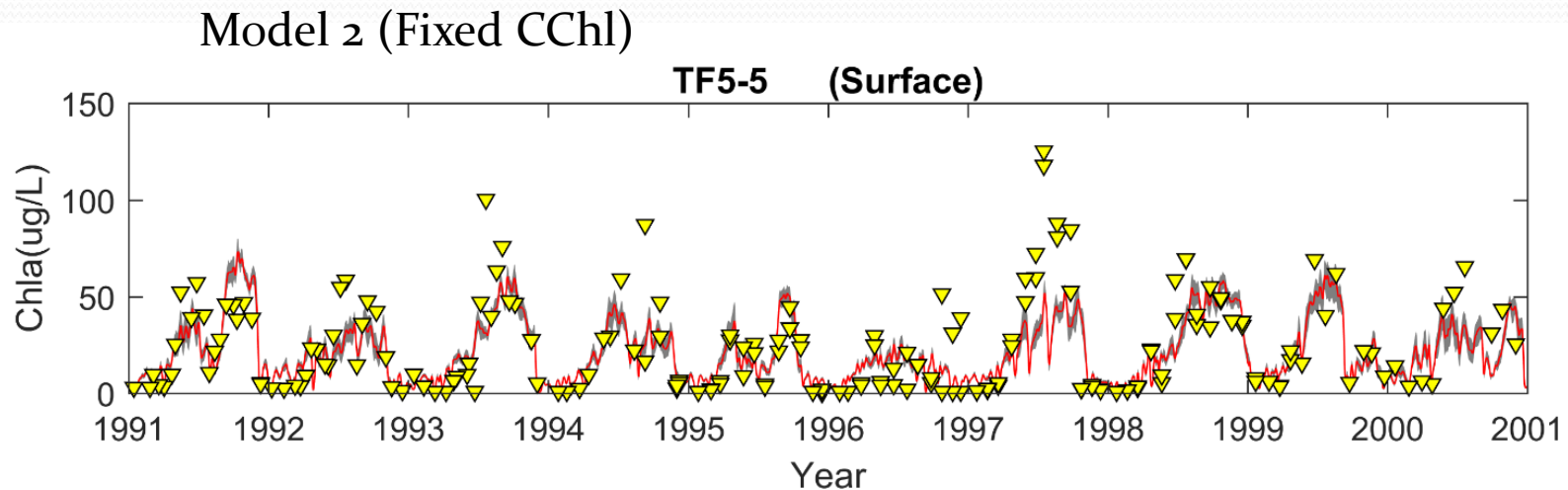
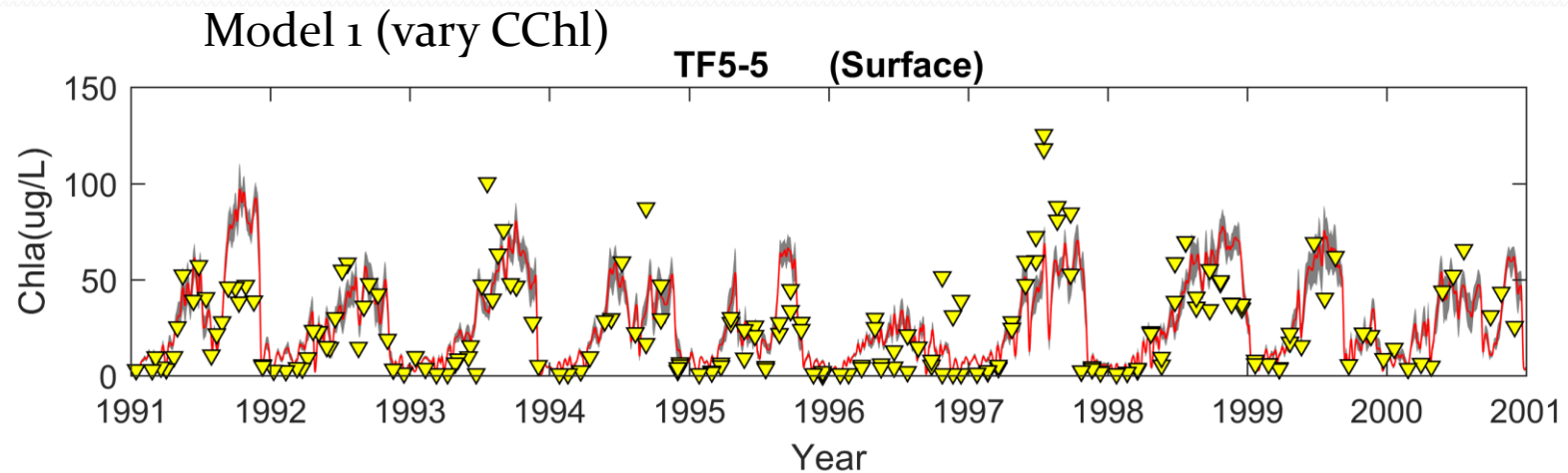
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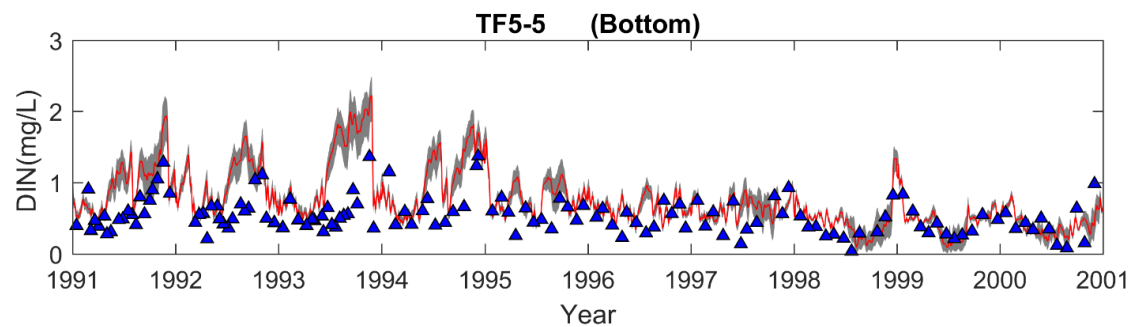
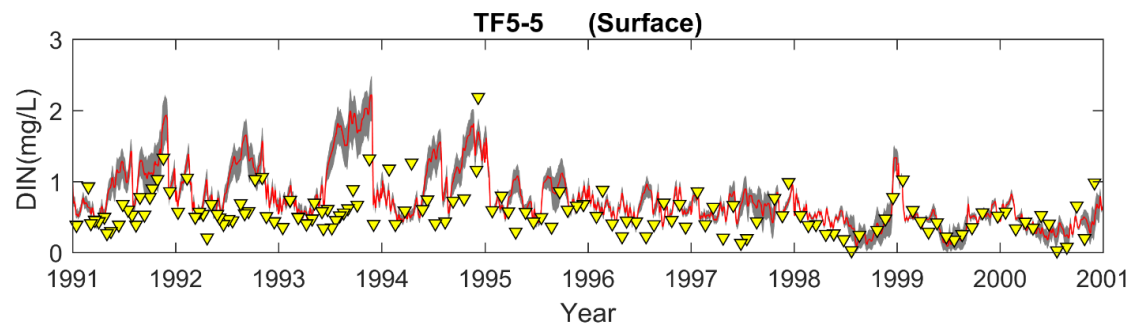
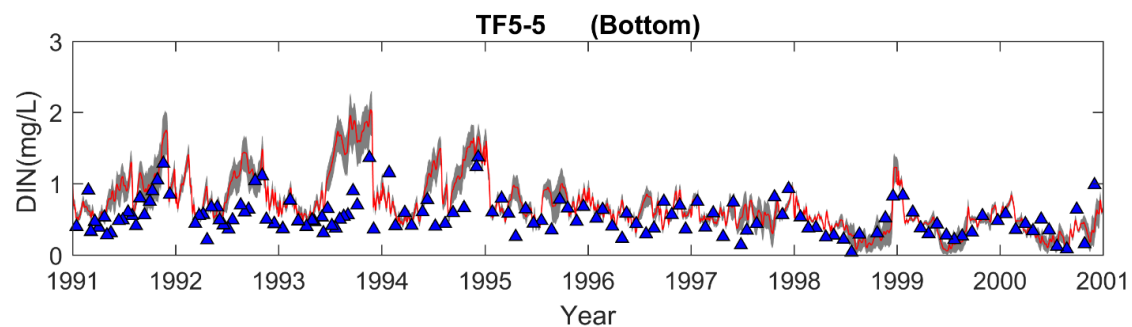
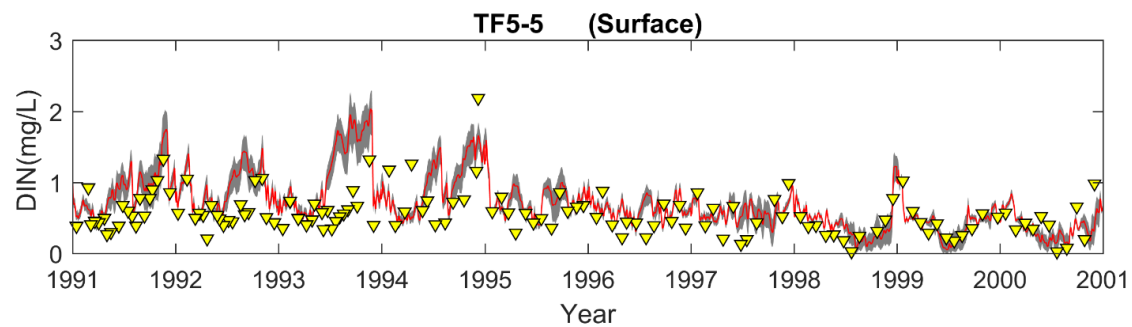


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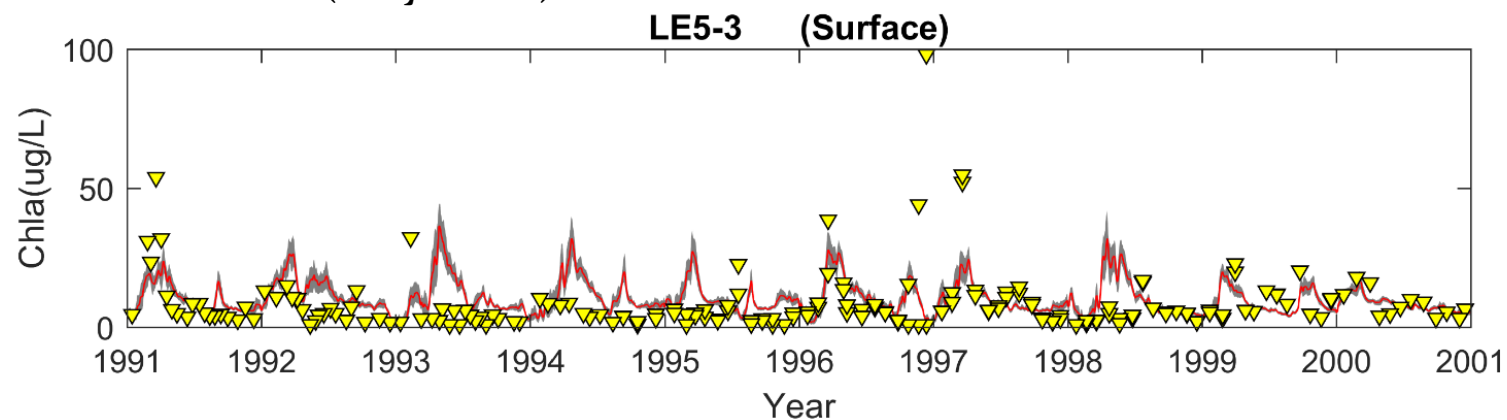


Comparison of model results

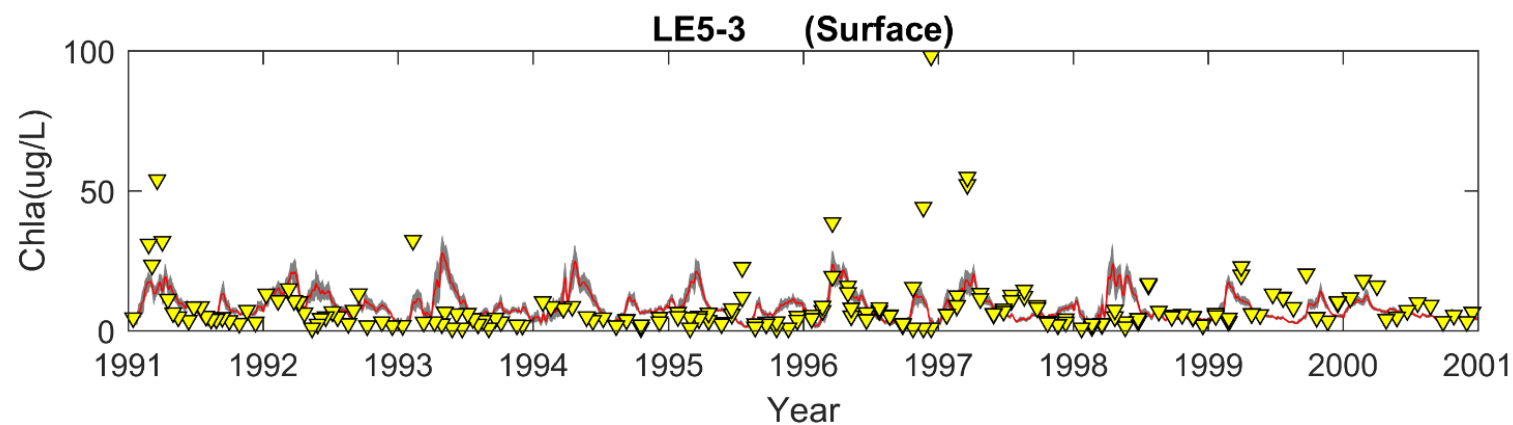




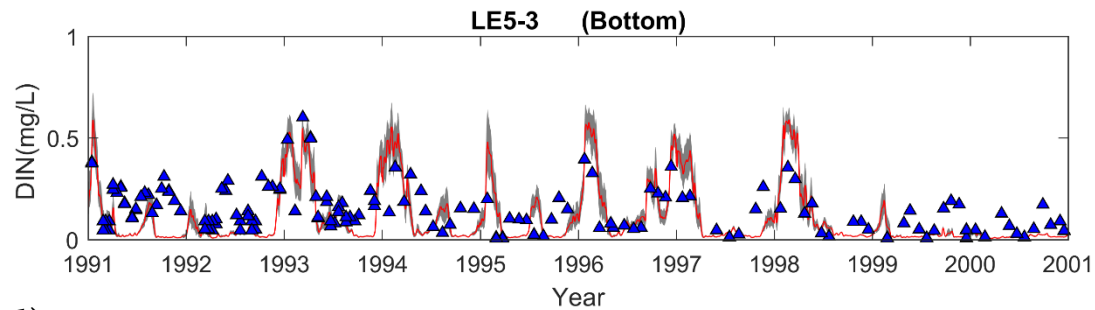
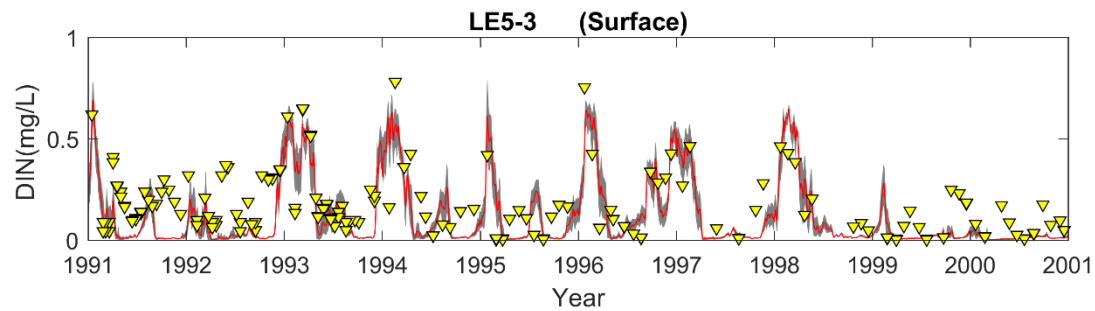
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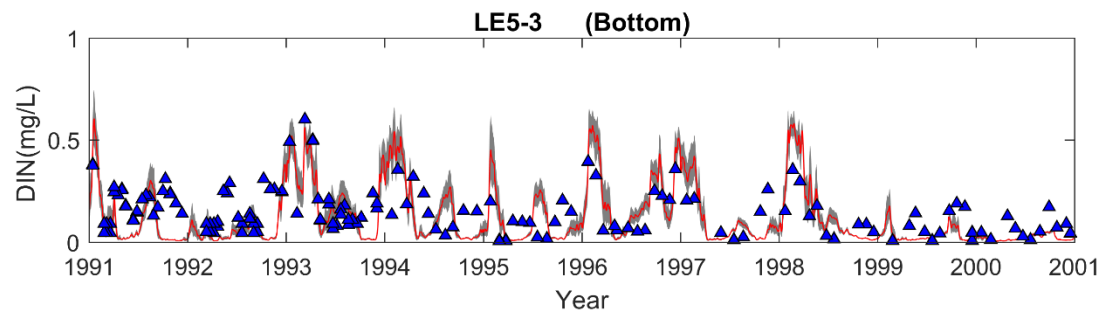
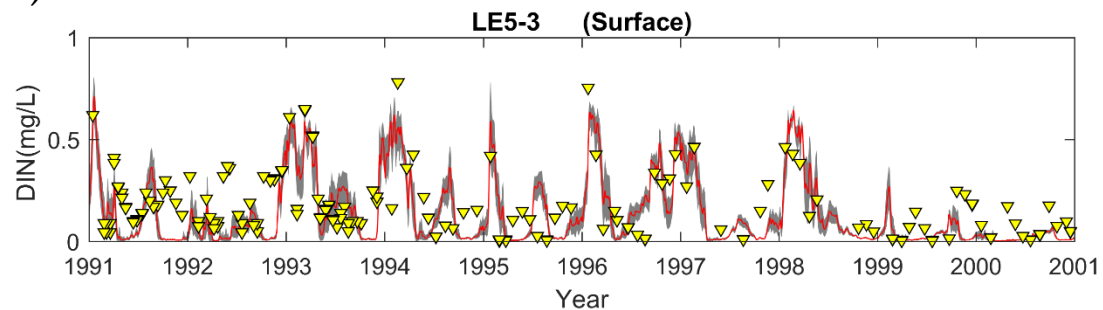
Model 2 (Fixed CChl)



Model 1 (vary CChl)



Model 2 (Fixed CChl)



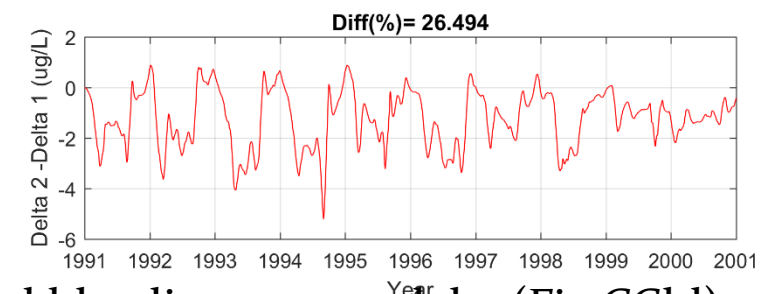
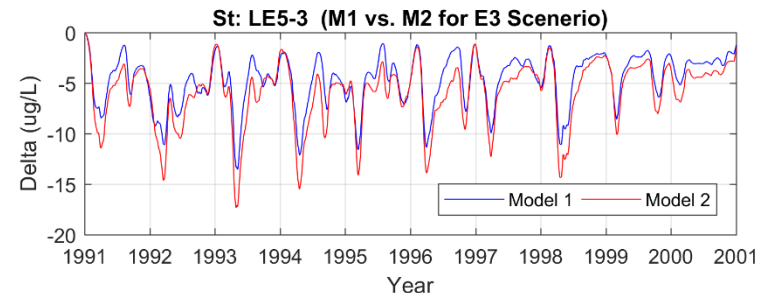
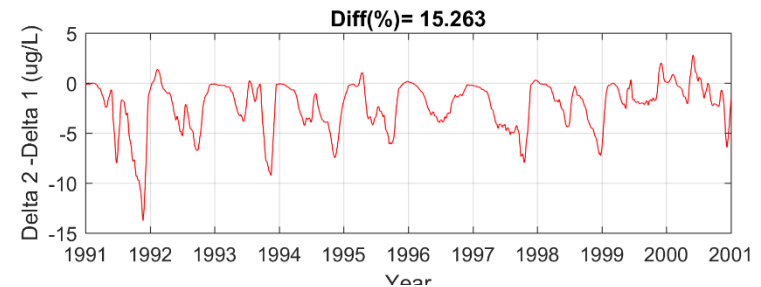
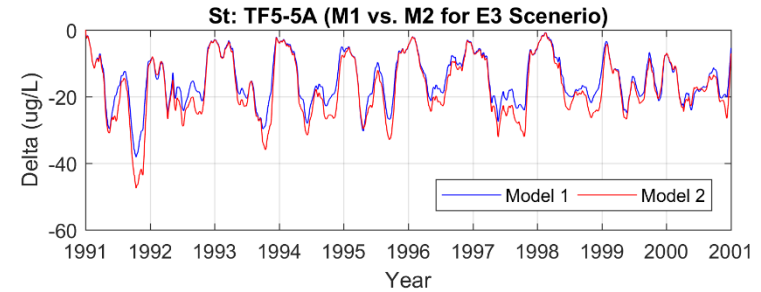
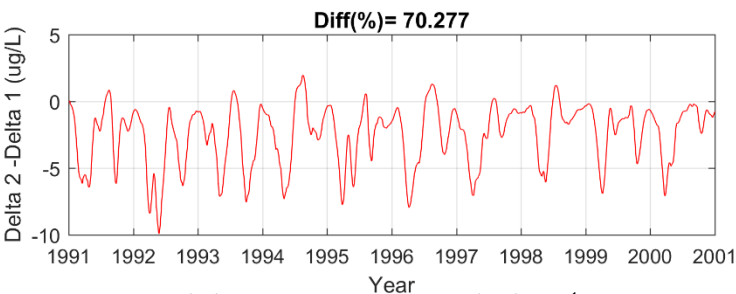
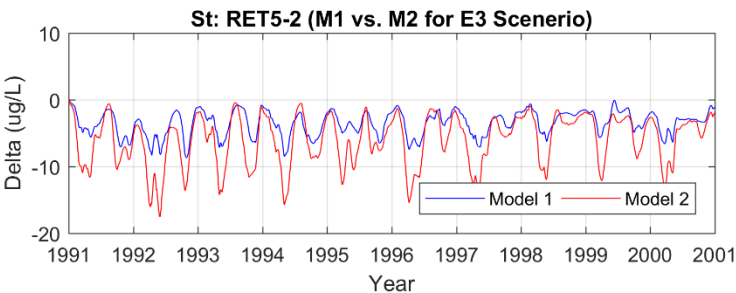
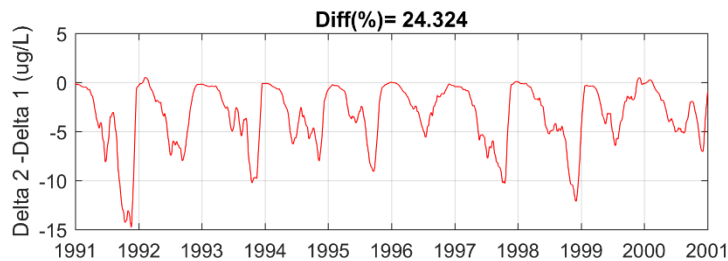
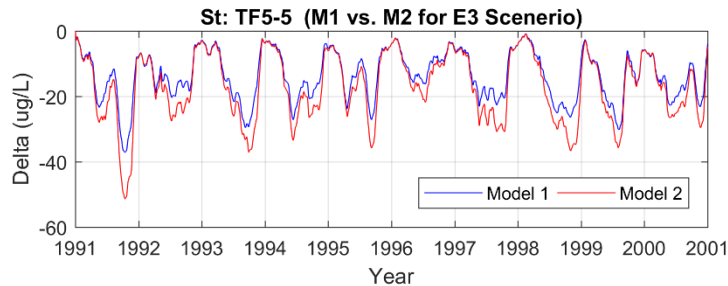
Chl a (Surface)

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Station	RMSE		R		Mean Difference		Relative Difference (%)	
TF5-2A	8.27	8.53	-0.10	-0.08	0.04	-0.74	112.40	120.60
TF5-3	9.49	9.43	-0.05	0.00	1.41	0.60	99.20	102.90
TF5-4	13.09	12.78	0.80	0.81	1.56	0.54	37.20	35.90
TF5-5	14.43	14.81	0.80	0.80	2.05	-2.70	36.10	38.90
TF5-5A	19.35	18.96	0.69	0.69	2.67	-0.70	38.50	40.10
TF5-6	10.90	12.59	0.48	0.27	0.43	-0.83	52.30	65.00
RET5-2	13.92	12.82	0.30	0.36	5.33	2.09	54.70	47.30
LE5-1	7.67	7.02	0.21	0.33	2.87	0.43	56.10	49.90
LE5-2	15.94	14.80	0.50	0.59	3.28	1.91	67.10	64.50
LE5-3	10.77	10.62	0.41	0.44	0.38	-0.23	58.90	54.20
LE5-4	5.15	4.82	0.61	0.70	-1.03	-1.04	44.20	38.60
LE5-5	4.78	4.07	0.67	0.79	0.13	-0.69	29.00	27.70
Average	11.15	10.94	0.45	0.47	1.59	-0.11	57.14	57.13

DIN (surface)

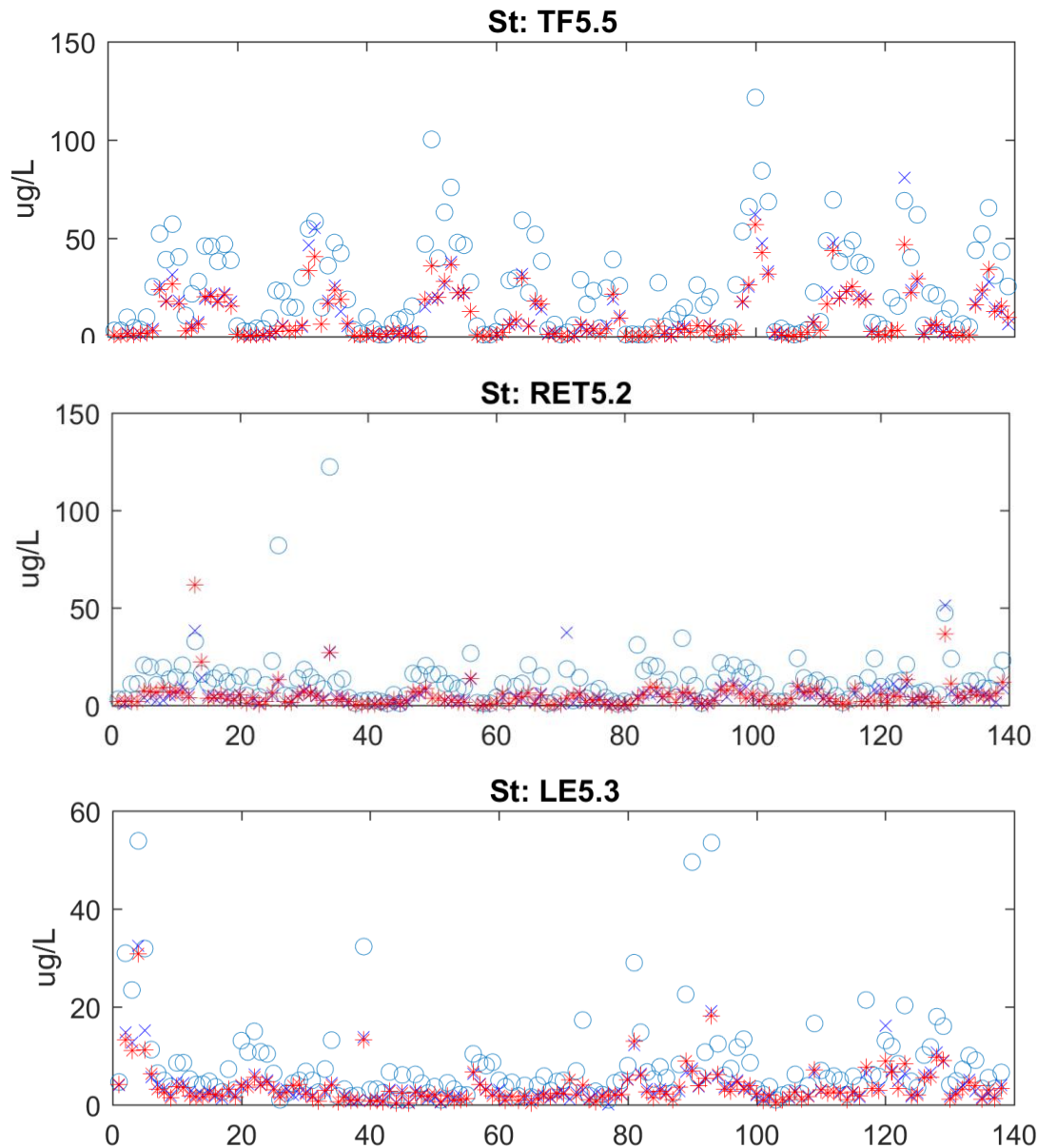
	M-2	M-1	M-2	M-1	M-2	M-1	M-2	M-1
Station	RMSE		R		Mean Difference		Relative Difference (%)	
TF5-2A	0.22	0.22	0.38	0.43	-0.03	-1.38	37.10	-0.02
TF5-3	0.23	0.22	0.50	0.54	-0.03	-0.02	34.40	32.10
TF5-4	0.20	0.22	0.62	0.55	0.08	0.10	42.60	46.10
TF5-5	0.29	0.24	0.66	0.68	-0.14	-0.12	35.80	30.30
TF5-5A	0.26	0.23	0.64	0.67	-0.06	-0.02	33.80	29.20
TF5-6	0.23	0.21	0.63	0.64	-0.02	0.00	32.20	29.80
RET5-2	0.26	0.19	0.56	0.68	-0.10	-0.03	60.80	45.60
LE5-1	0.22	0.17	0.58	0.70	-0.07	-0.01	54.60	44.70
LE5-2	0.13	0.15	0.74	0.64	0.00	0.03	42.80	57.80
LE5-3	0.12	0.11	0.78	0.69	0.05	0.05	43.80	52.80
LE5-4	0.10	0.11	0.71	0.37	0.06	0.06	48.80	65.70
LE5-5	0.08	0.04	0.68	0.37	0.04	0.02	59.80	53.80
Average	0.19	0.17	0.62	0.58	-0.02	-0.11	43.88	40.66

Sensitivity of Reduction (E3 scenario)



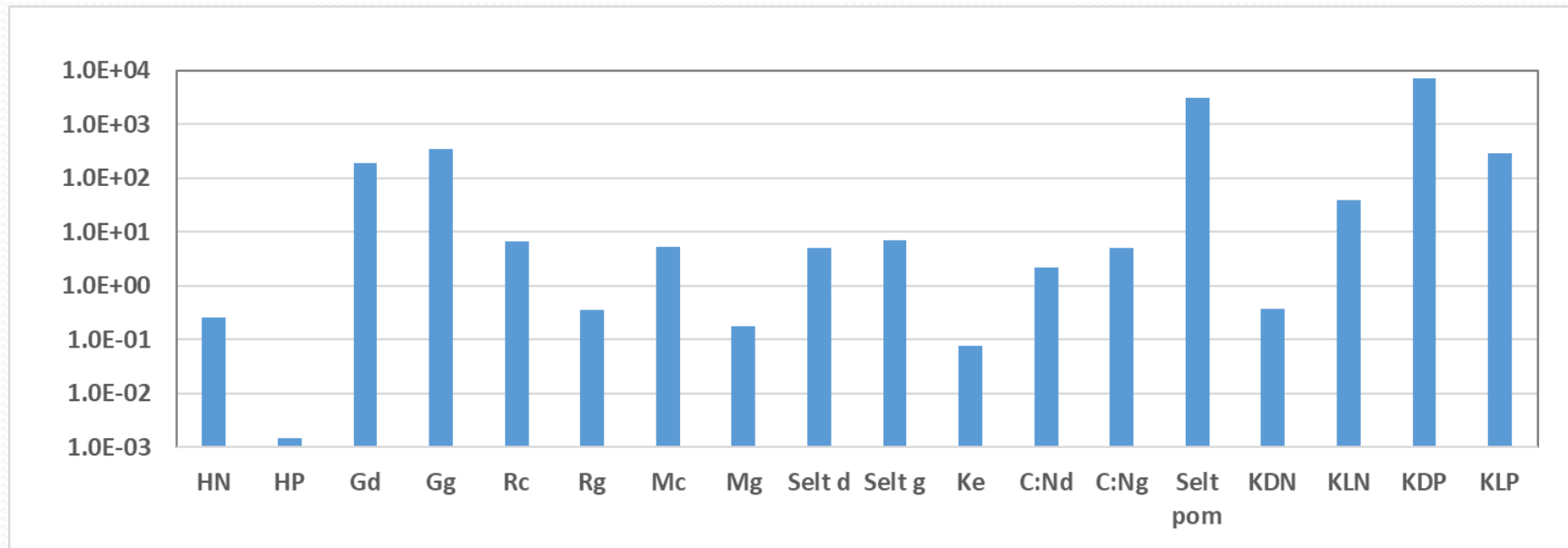
Red lines are model 1 (vary CChl) and blue lines are model 2 (Fix CChl).

Correction of observation



Parameter Uncertainty

- Conduct model experiments with 5% perturbation of model kinetic parameters. Compute sensitivity matrix and model uncertainty (inverse of sensitivity matrix)

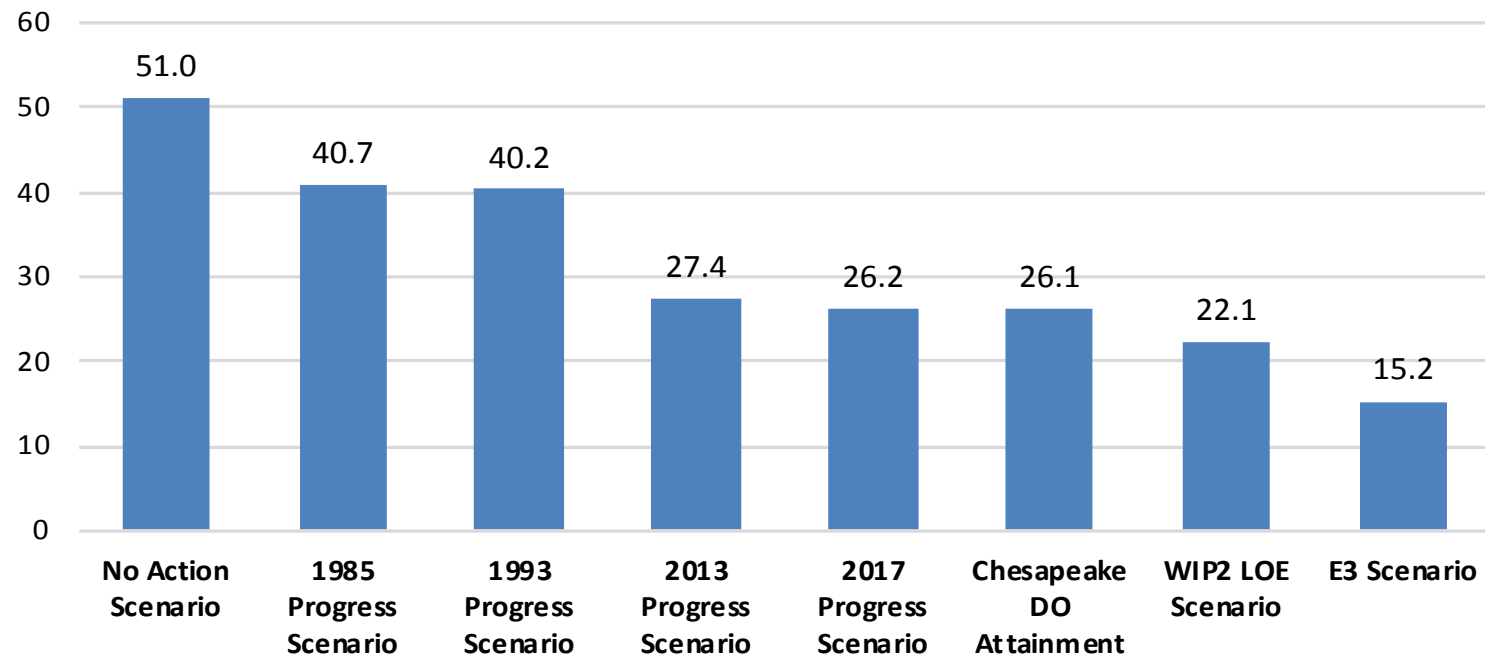


Correlation among parameters

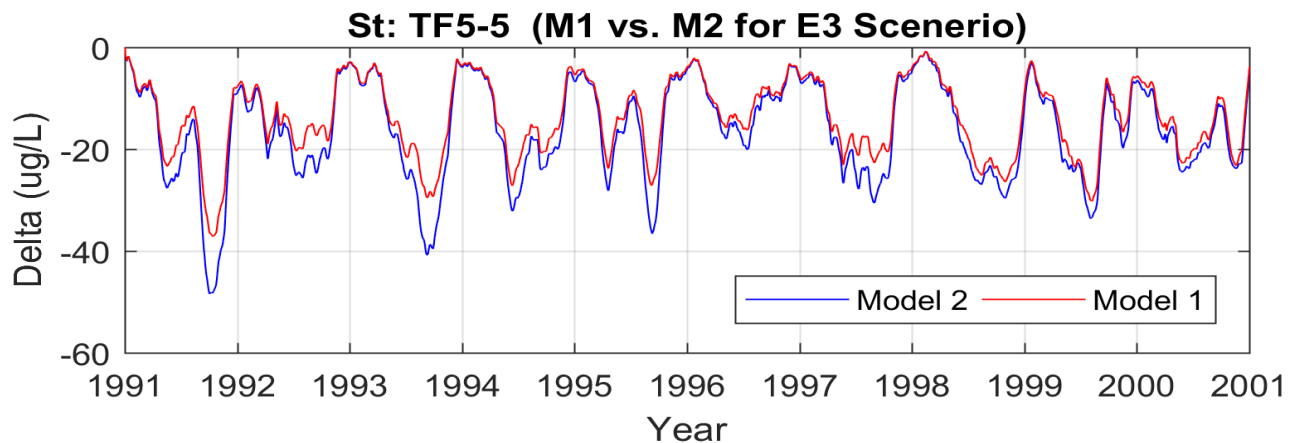
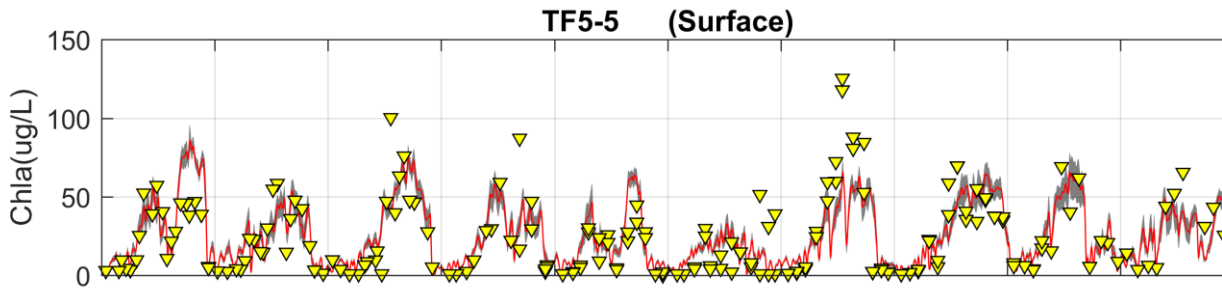
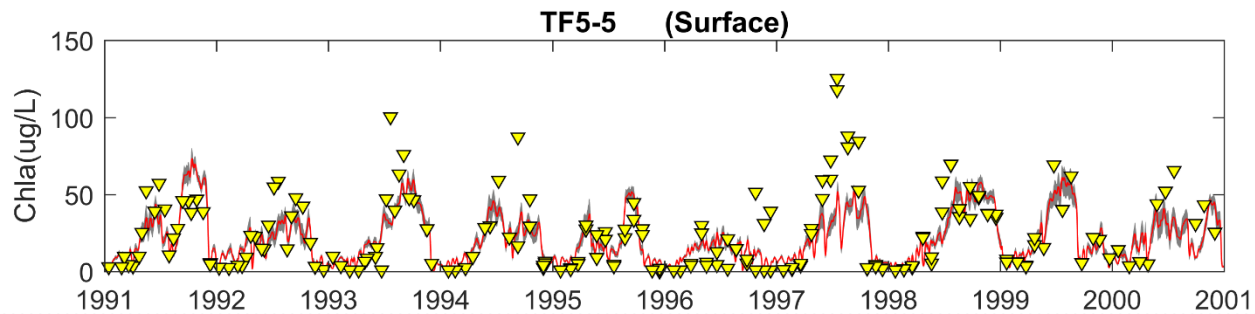
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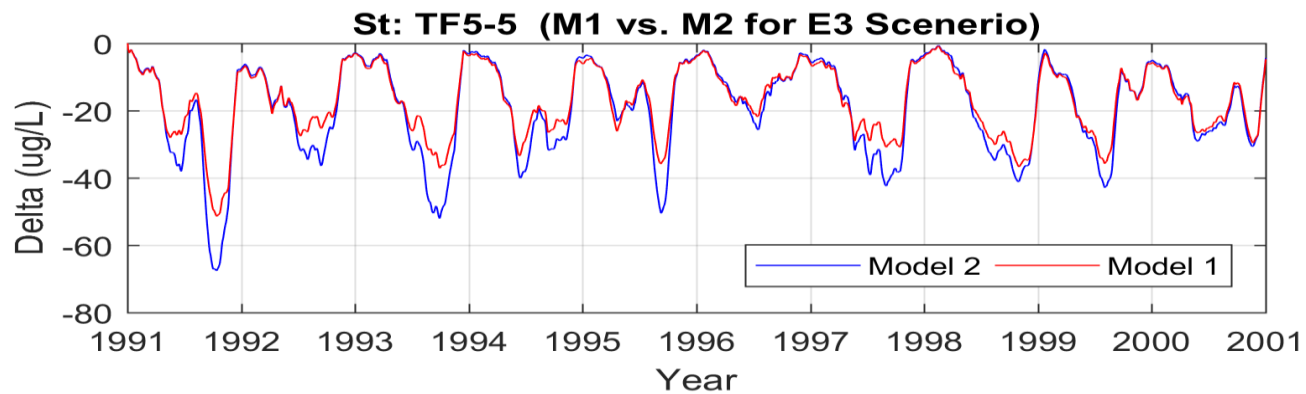
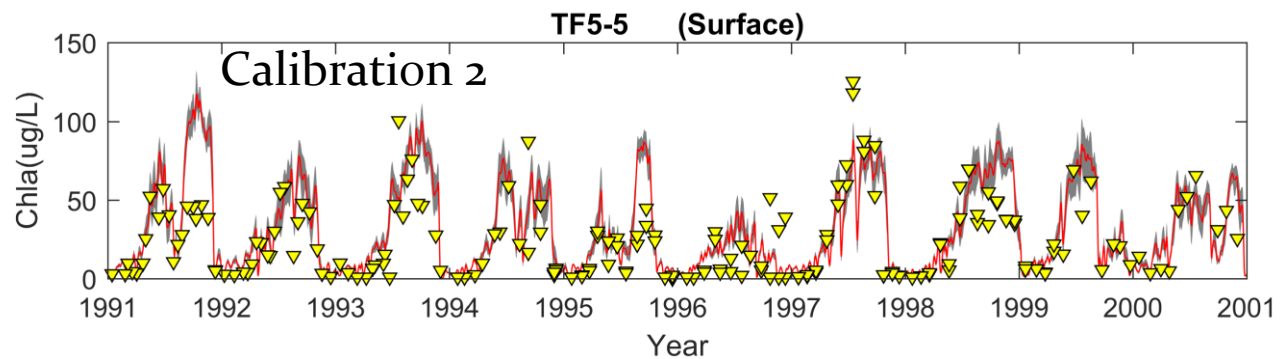
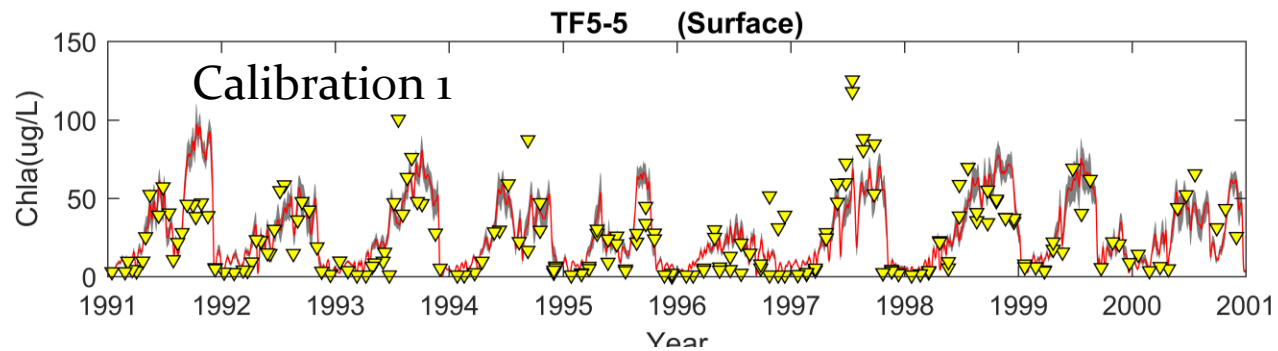
Comparison of Reduction Scenarios

Total Nitrogen Loads of the James Basin
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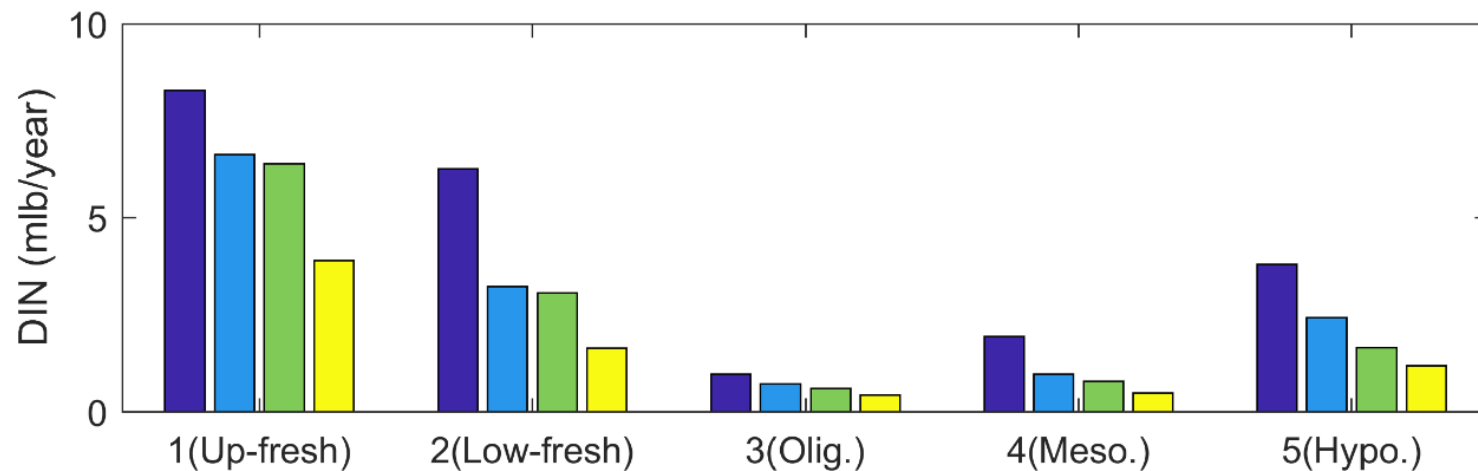
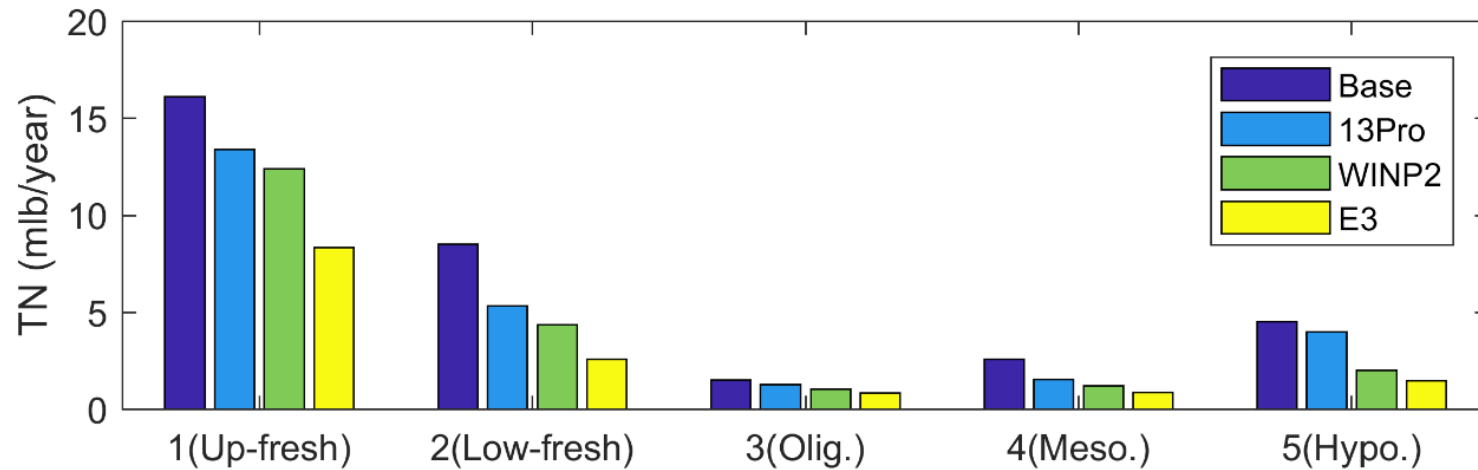


Calibration of model to match high Chl-a concentration

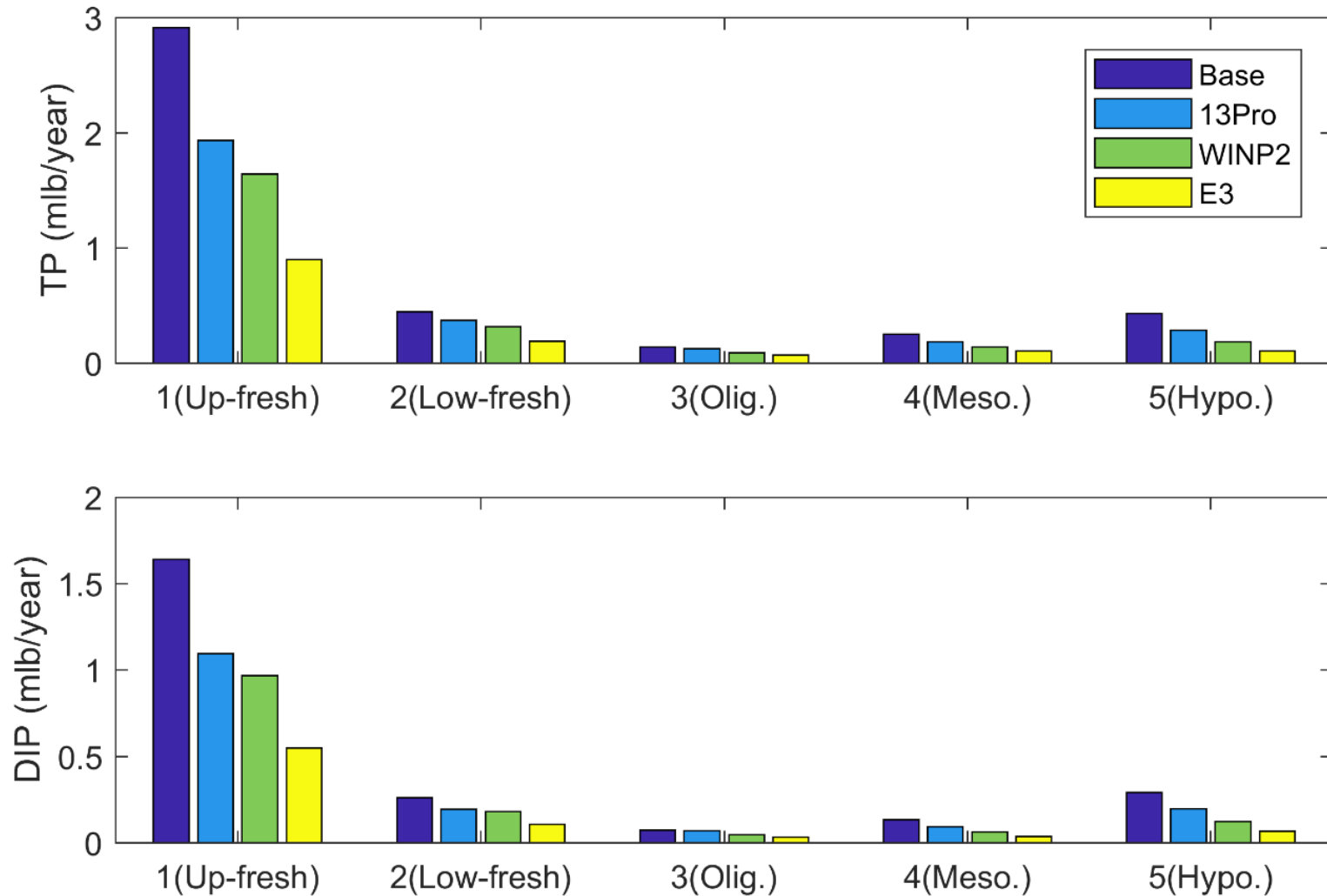




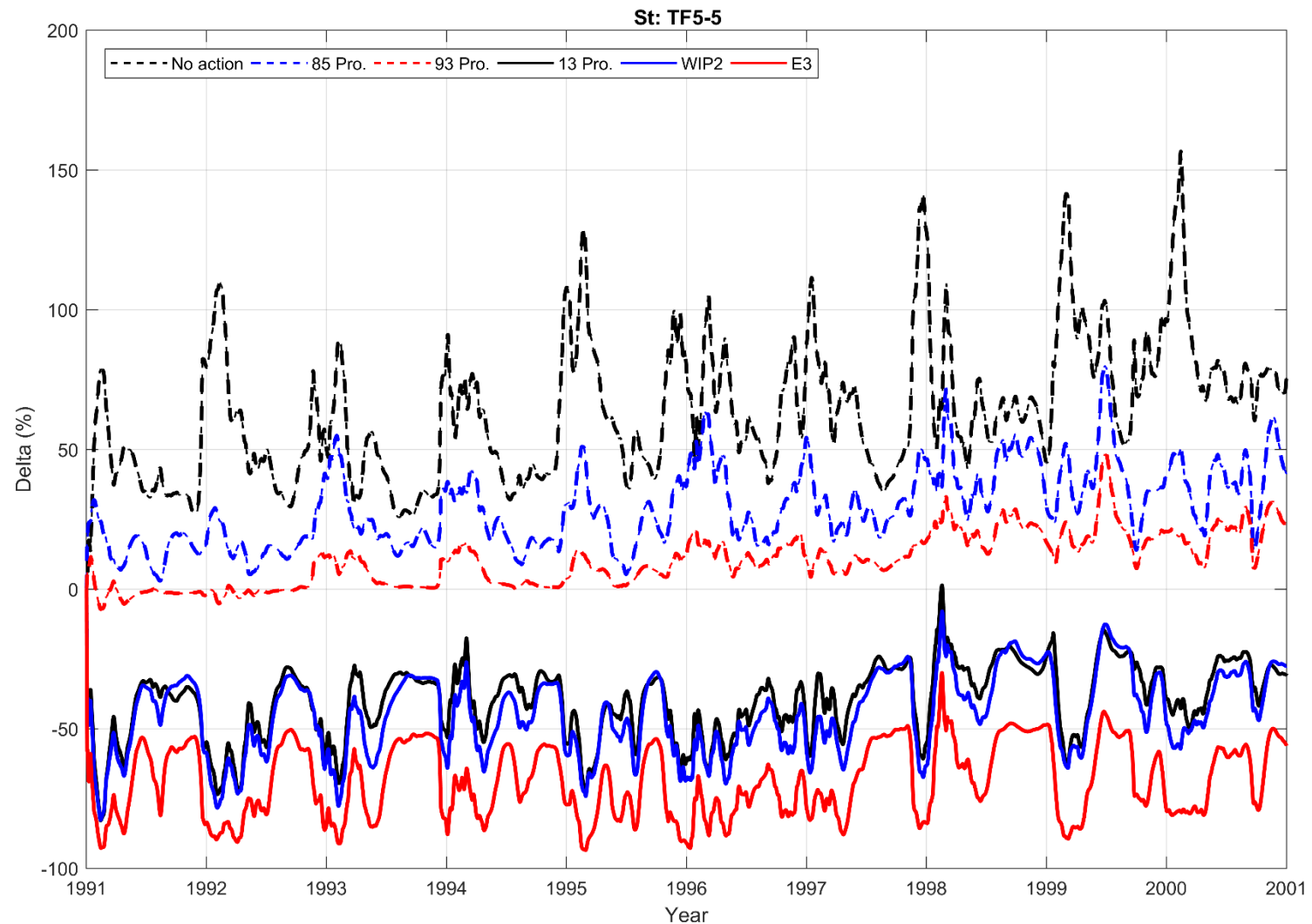
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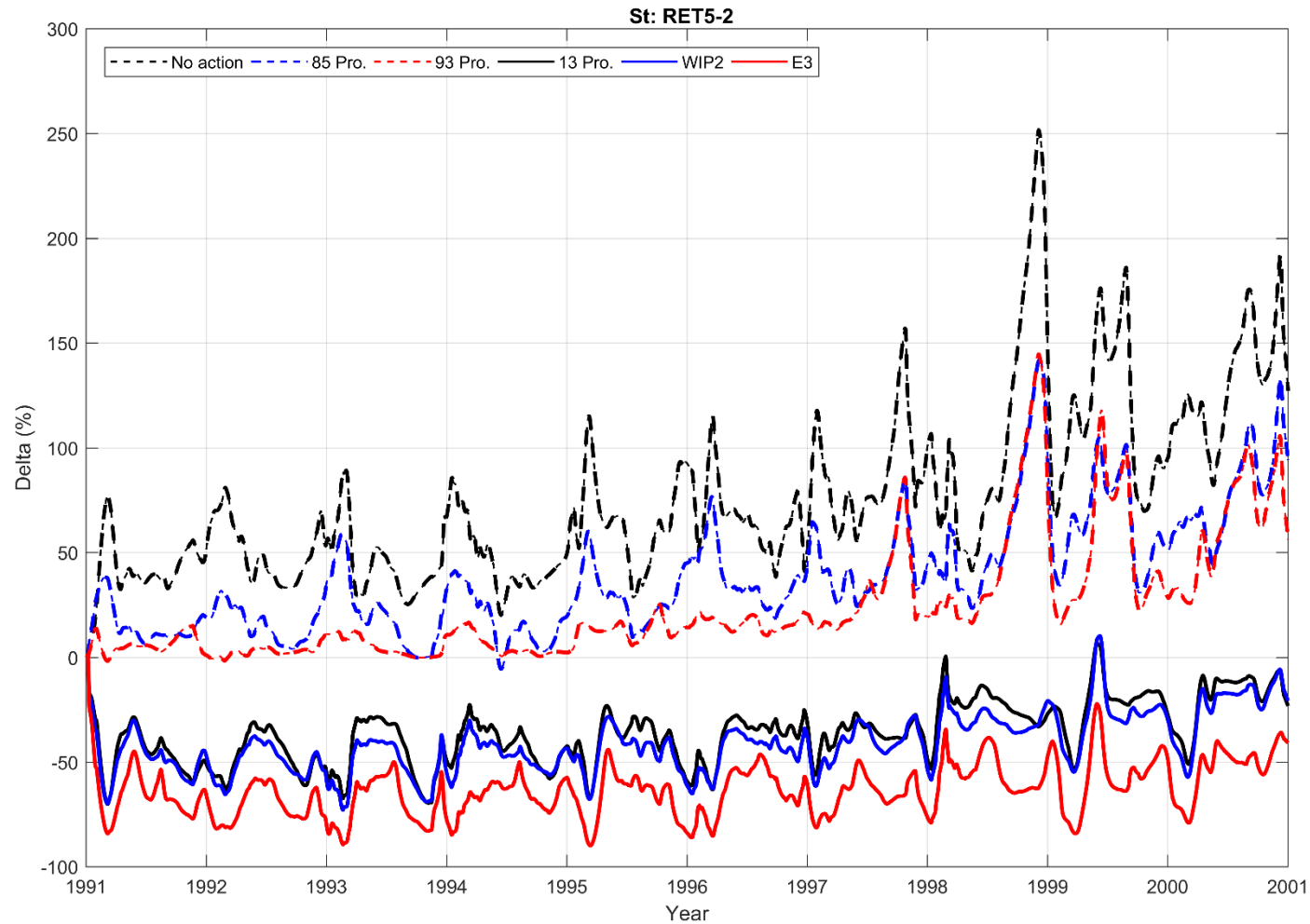
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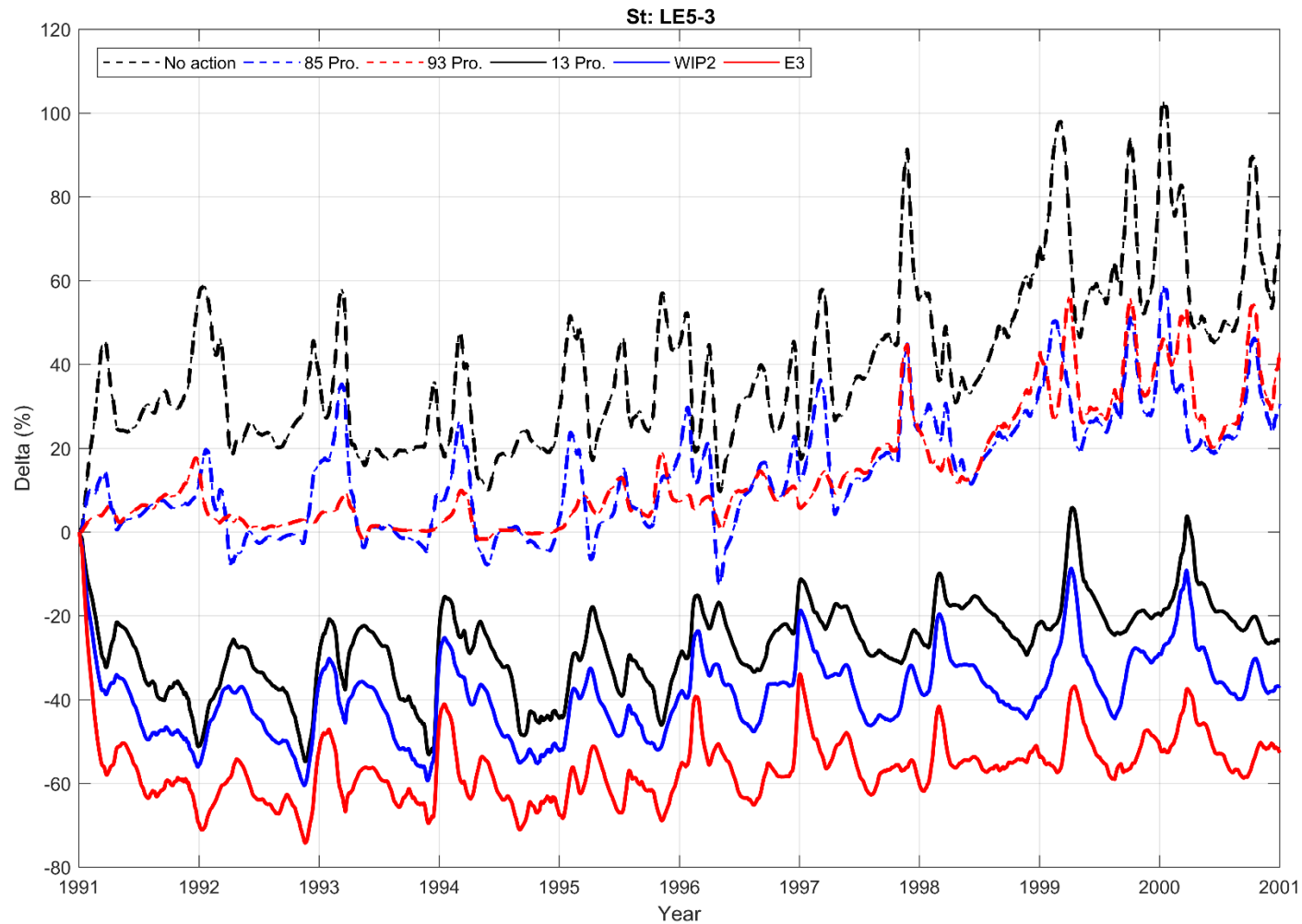
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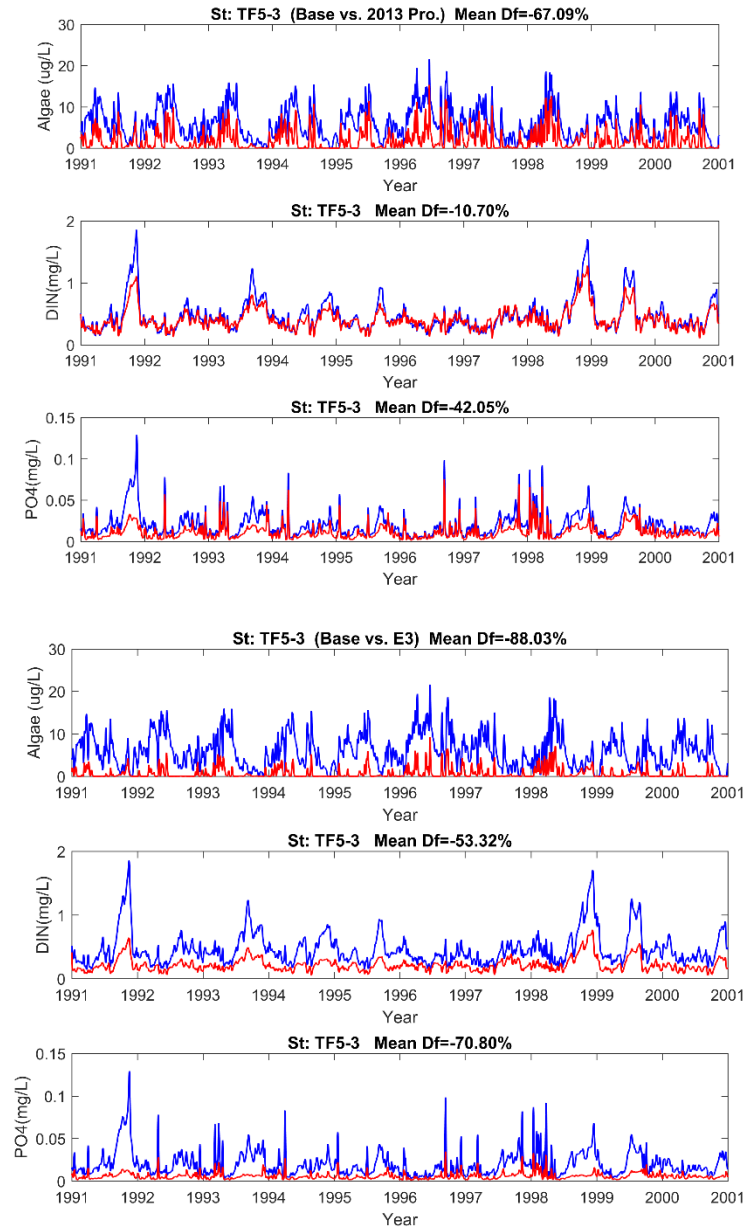
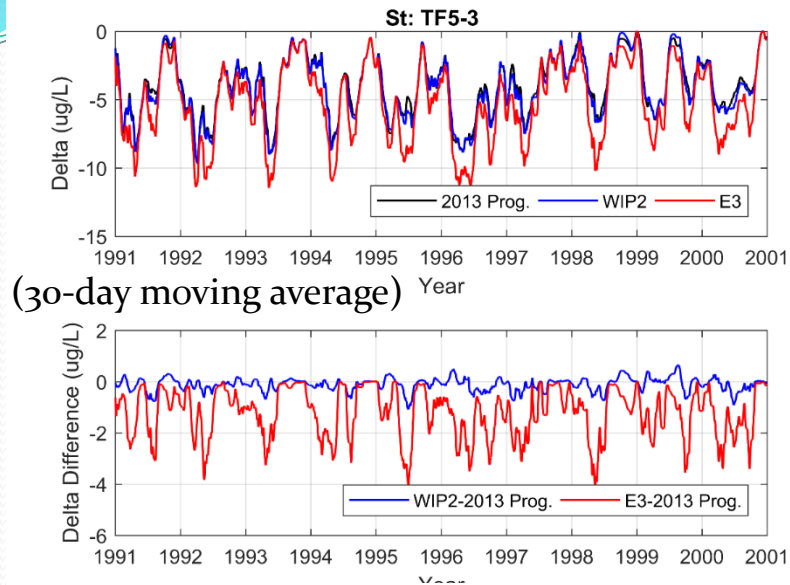
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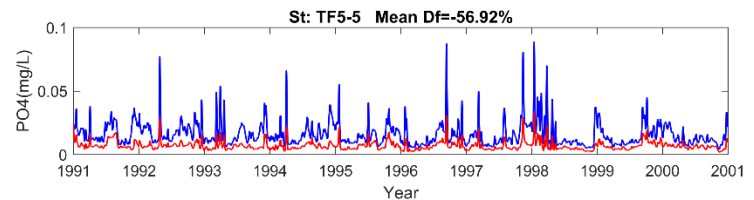
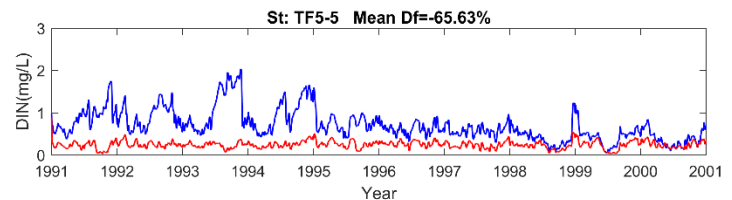
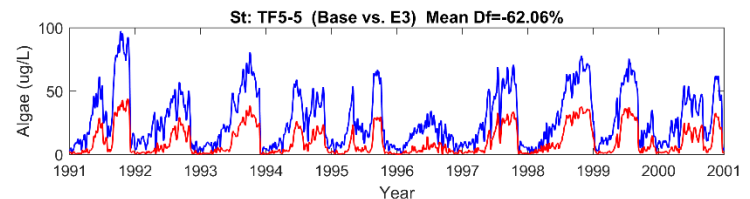
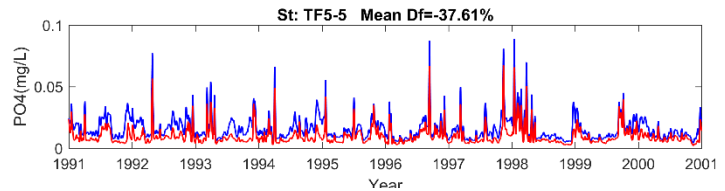
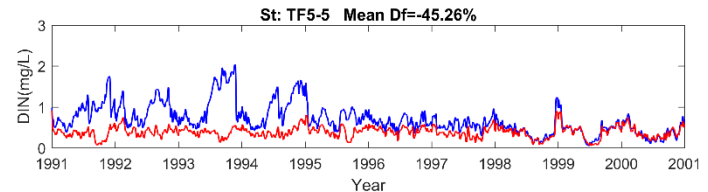
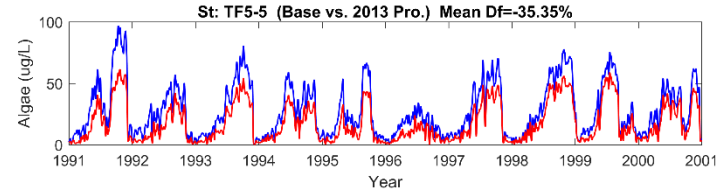
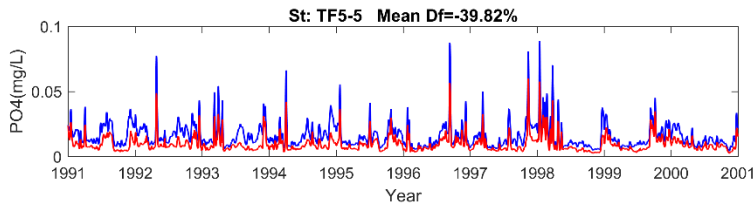
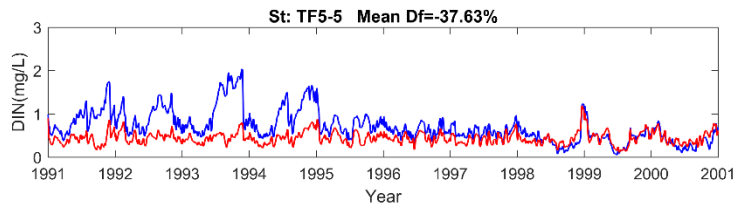
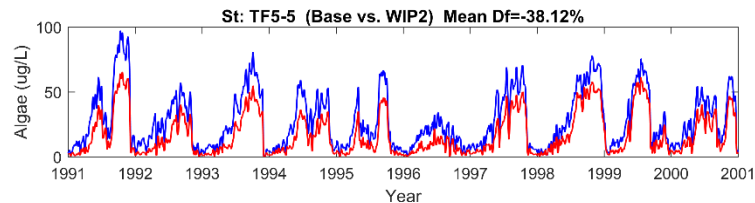
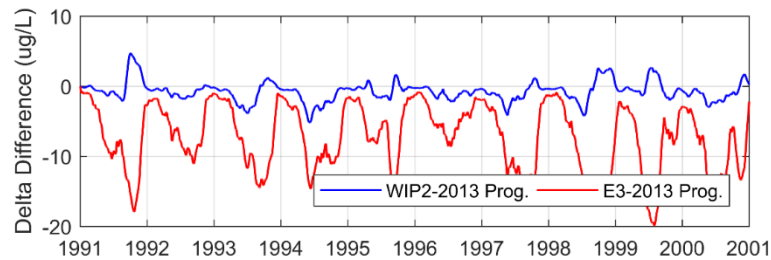
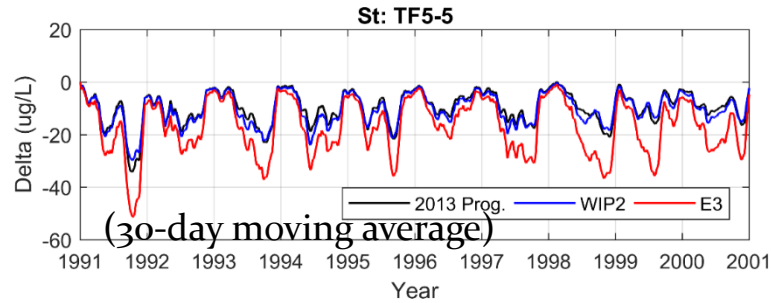
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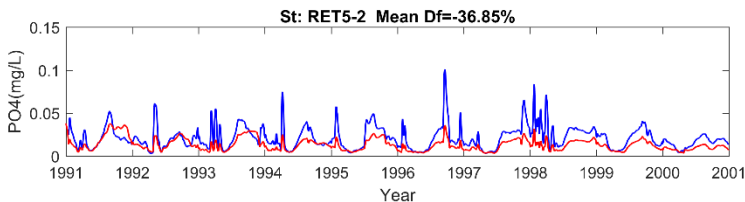
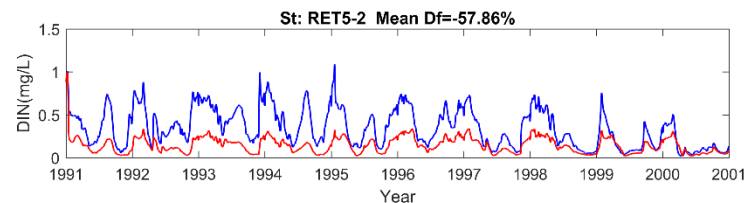
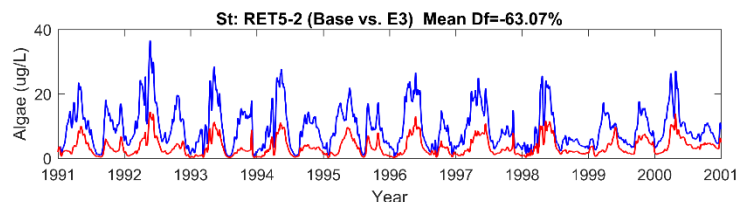
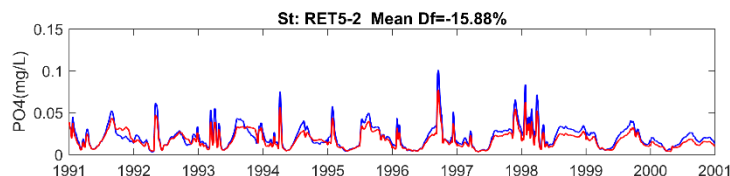
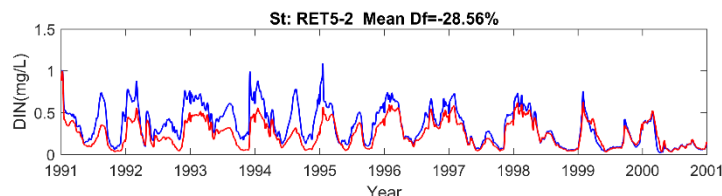
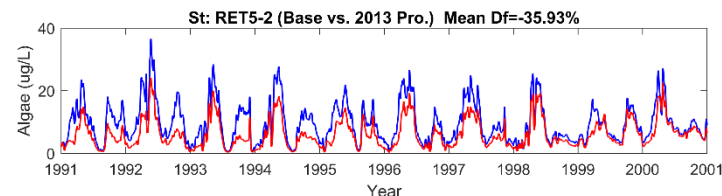
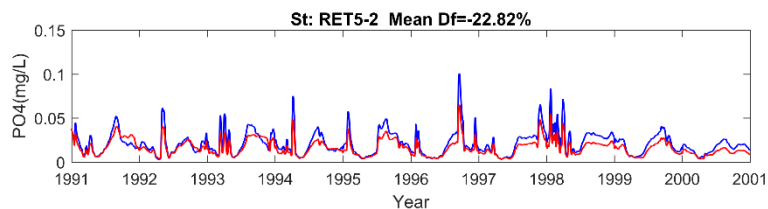
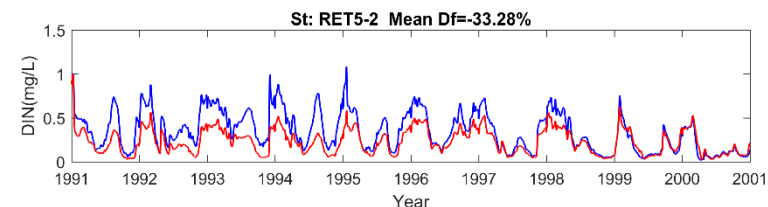
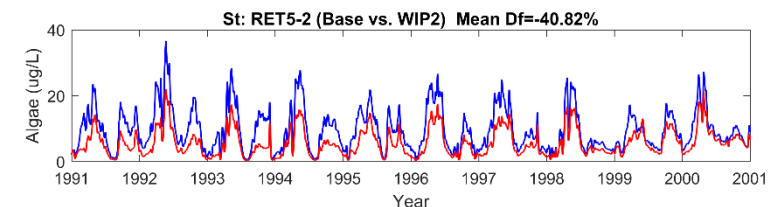
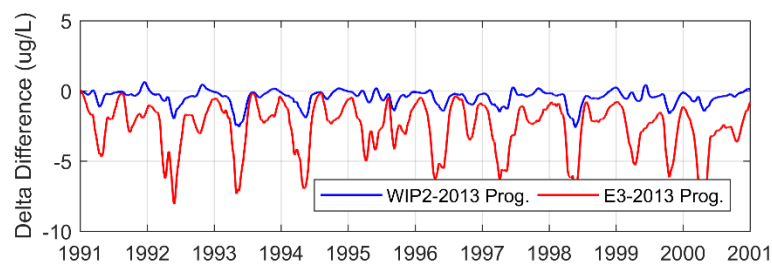
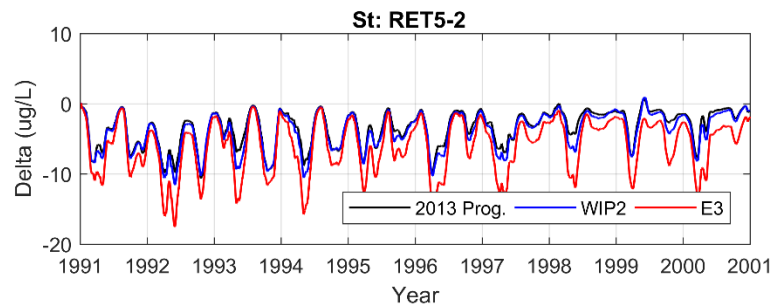
Comparison of Delta (Tidal freshwater)



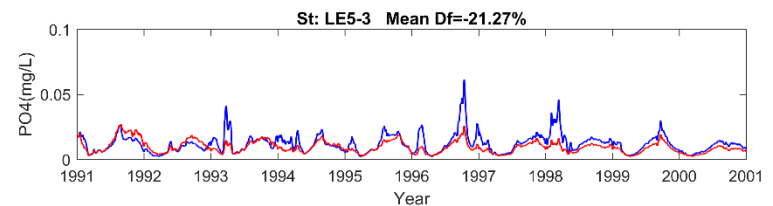
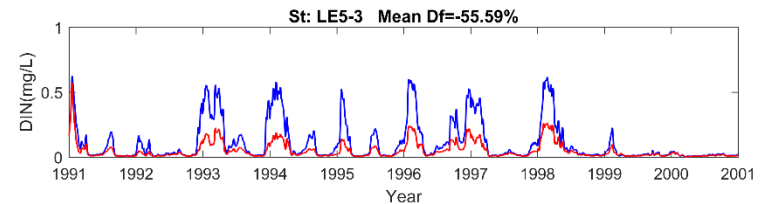
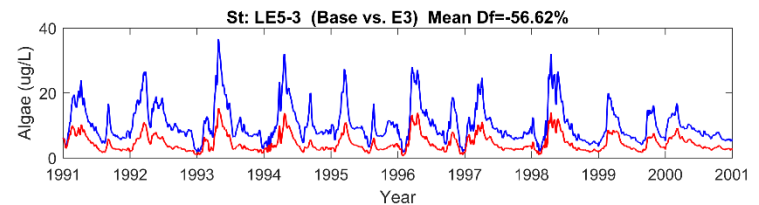
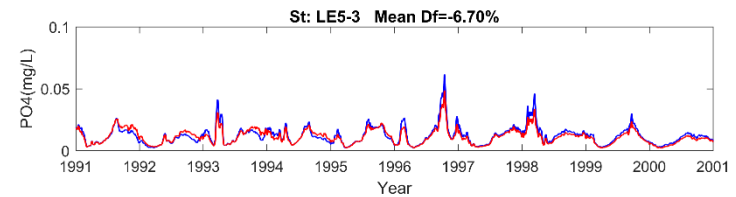
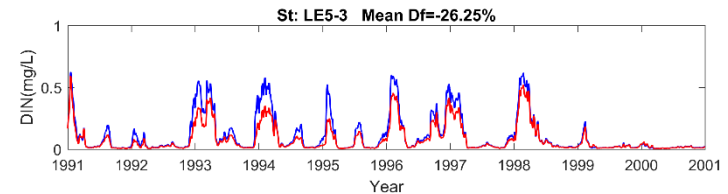
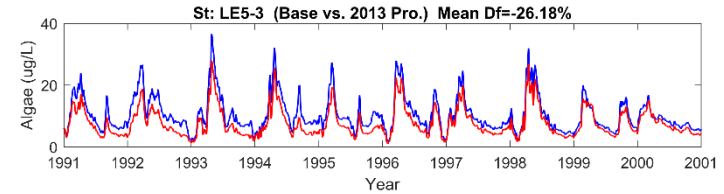
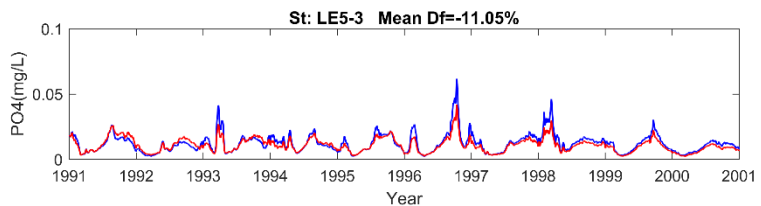
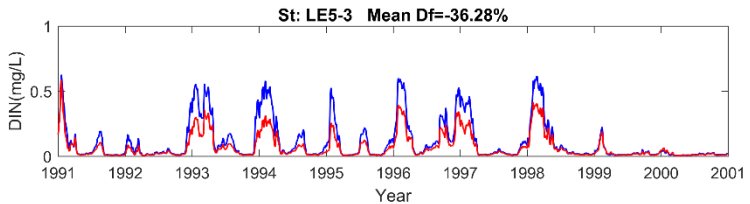
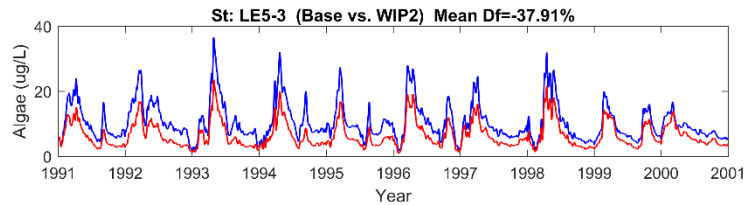
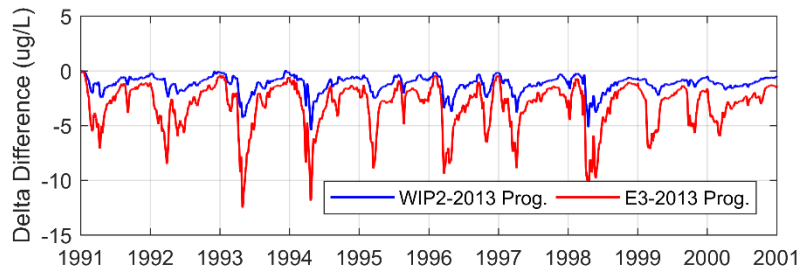
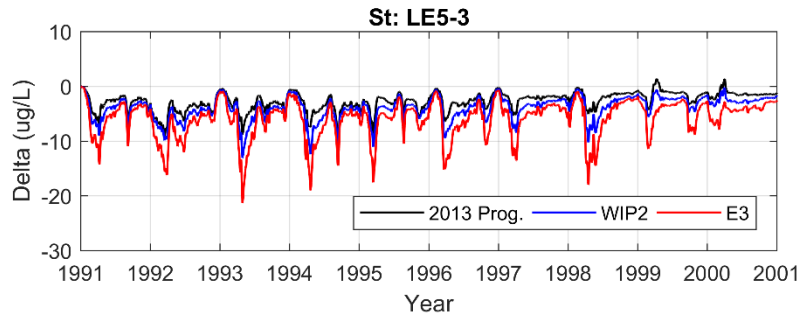
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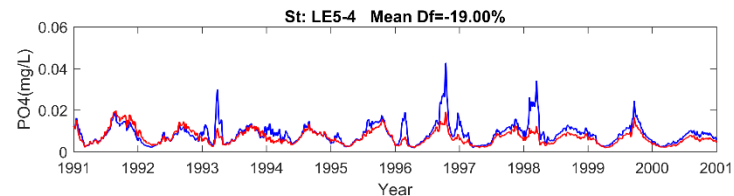
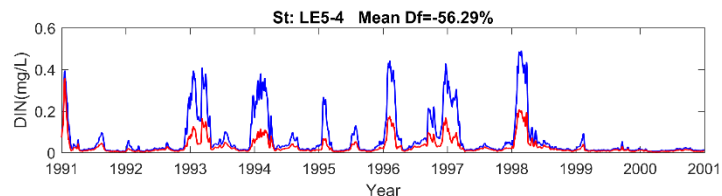
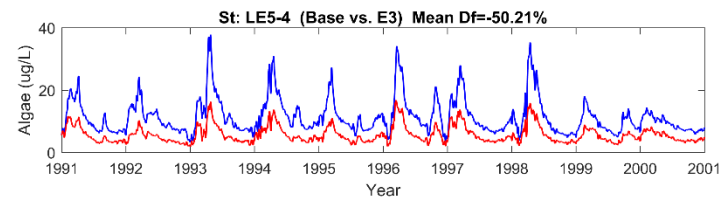
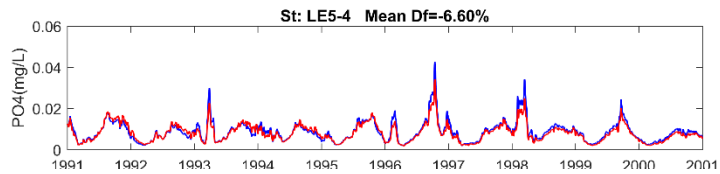
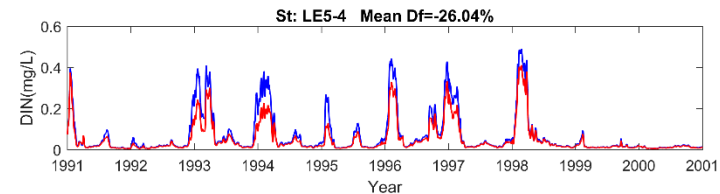
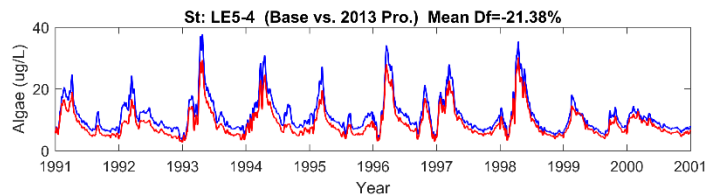
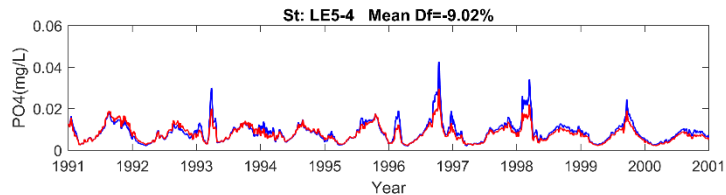
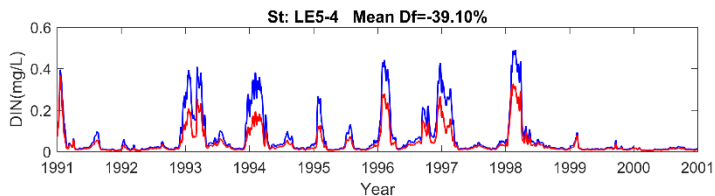
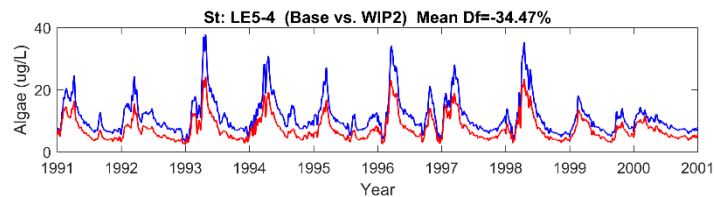
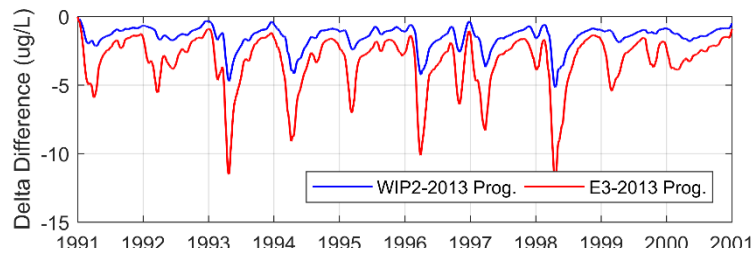
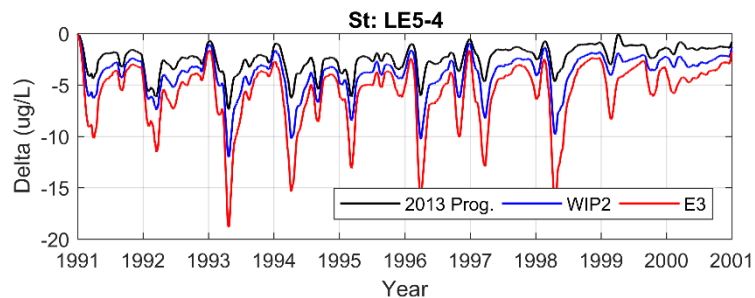
Comparison of Delta (oligo. and mesohaline)



Comparison of Delta (mesohaline)



Comparison of Delta (hypohaline)



Discussion and Summary

- The model uncertainty analysis, including using different kinetic model of phytoplankton and model parameter sensitivity analysis, indicates that model is reliable.
- Model calibration can affect the model response to loading reduction. Model calibration to high Chl-a values can result in more reduction although there is no significant difference statistically for the model calibration.
- Model uncertainty needs to be considered for water quality assessment.
- Model response to nitrogen reduction is reasonable and there is a high reduction corresponding to low Chl-a concentration.