

Relating Land Uses to Loads

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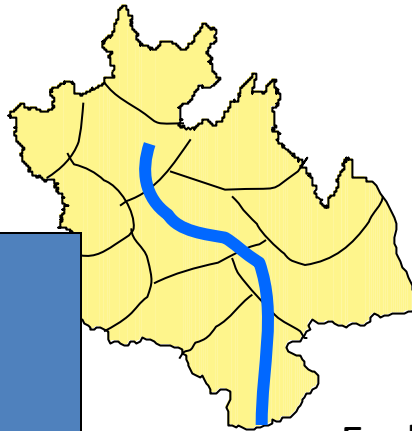
Land Use Workgroup

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How the Watershed Model Works

Each segment consists of 30
separately-modeled land uses:

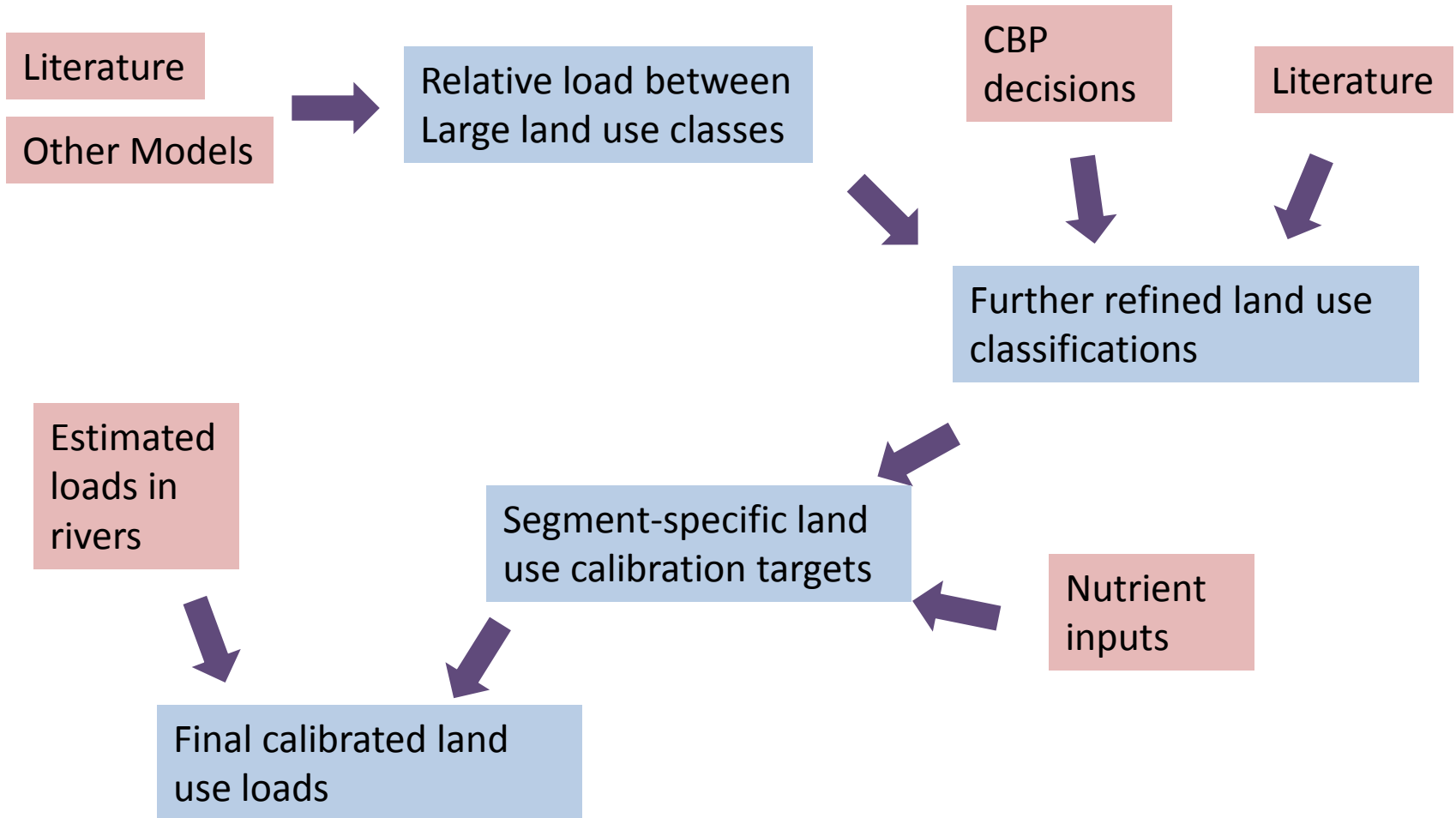
- Regulated Pervious Urban
- Regulated Impervious Urban
- Unregulated Pervious Urban
- Unregulated Impervious Urban
- Construction
- Extractive
- Combined Sewer System
- **Wooded / Open**
- **Disturbed Forest**
- **Corn/Soy/Wheat rotation (high till)**
- **Corn/Soy/Wheat rotation (low till)**
- **Other Row Crops**
- **Alfalfa**
- **Nursery**
- **Pasture**
- **Degraded Riparian Pasture**
- **Afo / Cafo**
- **Fertilized Hay**
- **Unfertilized Hay**
 - **Nutrient management versions of the above**



Plus: Point Source and
Septic Loads, and
Atmospheric
Deposition Loads

Each calibrated to nutrient and
Sediment targets

Land Use Loads



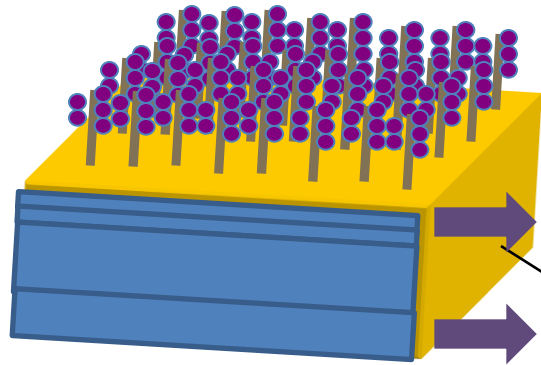
Nutrient EOF Targets

- Purpose: Develop targets that:
 - Appropriately order the influence of different land uses in the same area
 - Appropriately account for differences in loading between the same land uses in different areas.
- Regional differences due to physiographic effects will be resolved through load balancing in the river calibration.

Sources of Data

- Literature Reviews
 - Beaulac & Reckhow (1982)
 - Sweeney (2001)
 - Lin (2004)
 - Primary Sources (about 30)
- Previous Modeling Studies
 - Phase 4.3
 - Sparrow

Scale issue



Edge of **Field**

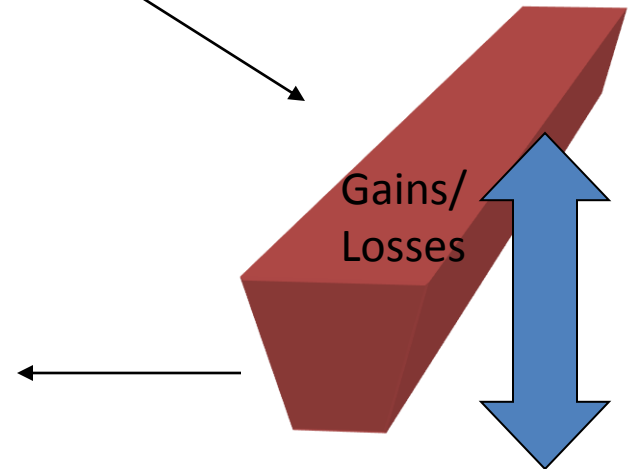
Expected loads Leaving a
representative acre

Measured Surface or
total load?

Edge of Stream
60-100 sq miles

Gains/
Losses

In Stream Concentrations



Average Targets

• Land Use	TN	TP
• Forest	2.0	0.15
• Harvested Forest	20.0	0.80
• Crop	23.0	2-2.5
• Hay	6.0	0.4-0.8
• Pasture	4.5	0.7
• Urban	9.3	1.5
• Extractive	12.5	3.5
• Nursery	240	85

Differentiating between regions

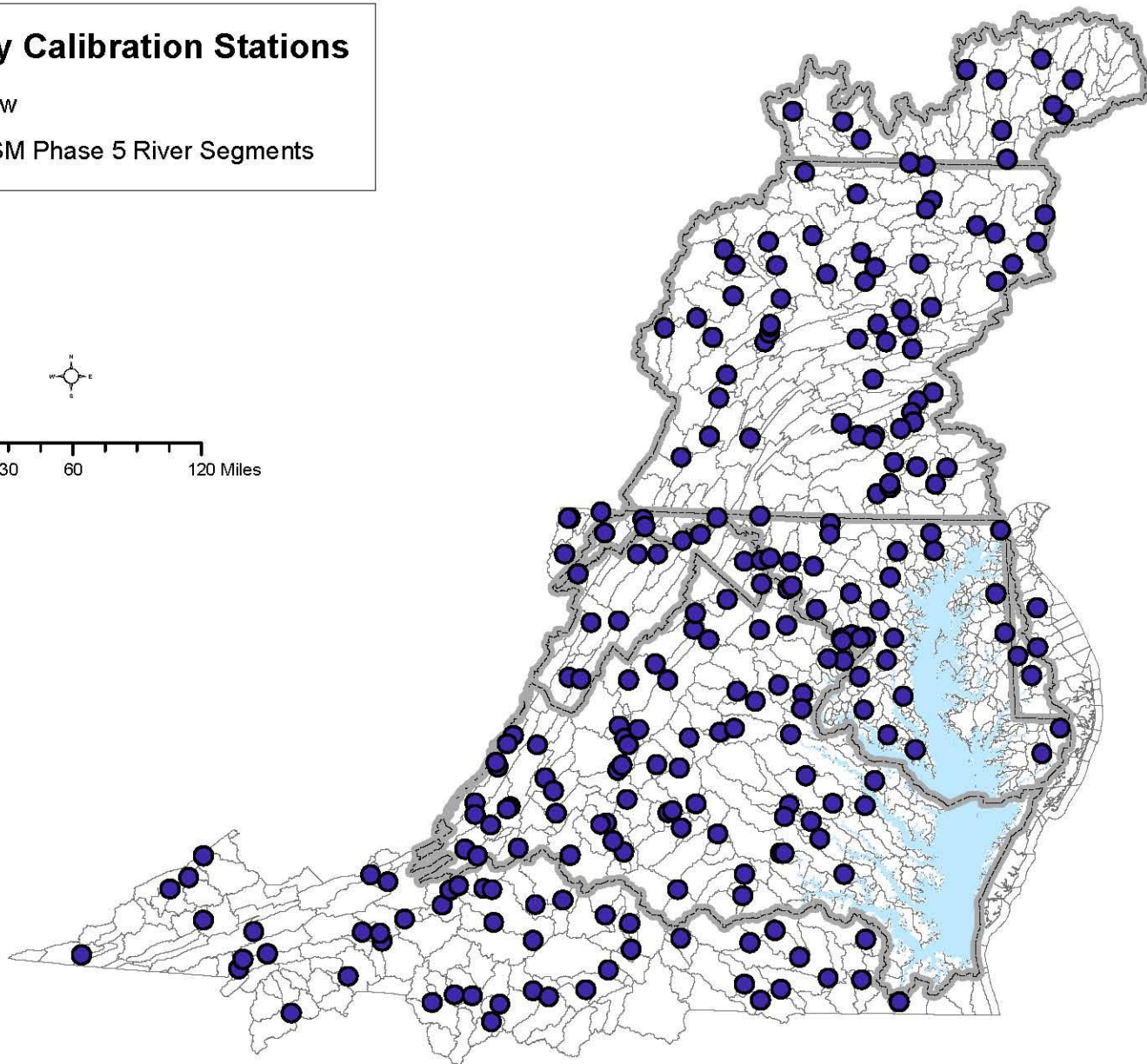
- Forest – Assume constant loss efficiency
- Crop –
 - median balance = median export
 - Zero balance = $\frac{1}{2}$ median export
- Urban – Assume constant concentration
- No method of differentiation for
 - Alfalfa, construction, extractive, harvested forest, hay without nutrients, nurseries

Hydrology Calibration Stations

- Flow
- WSM Phase 5 River Segments

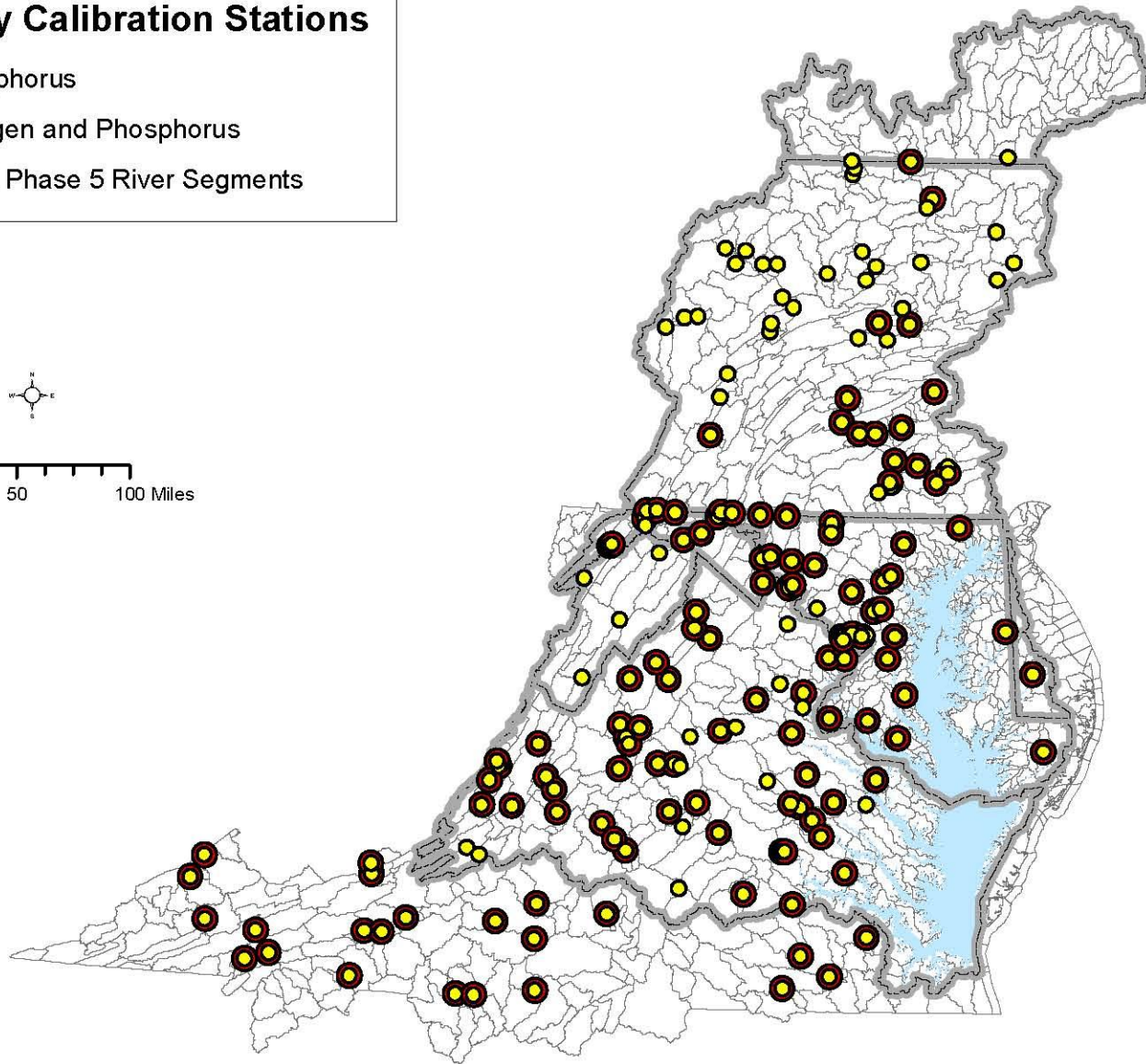
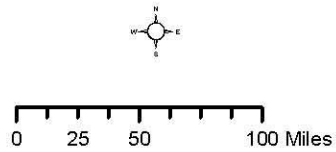


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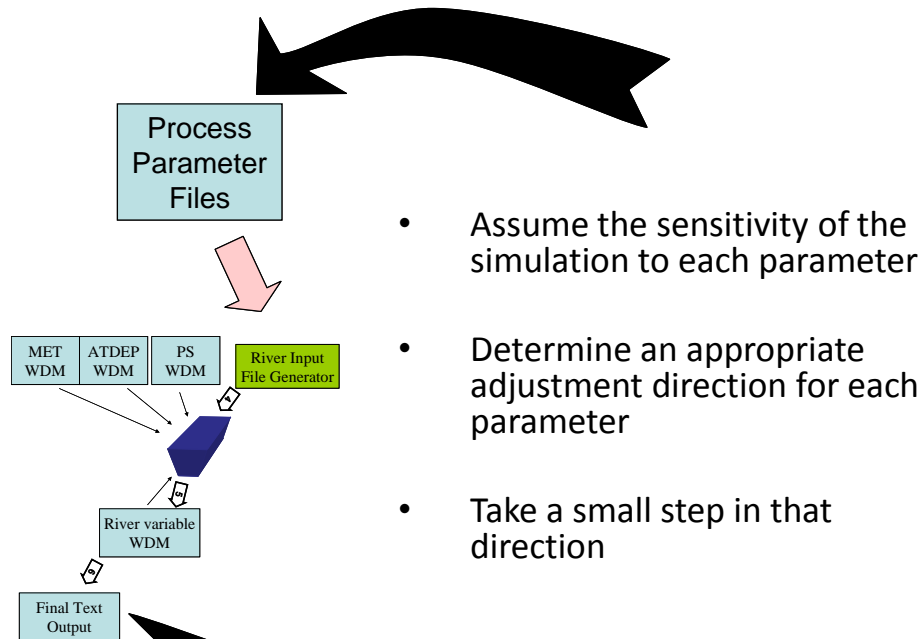
Water Quality Calibration Stations

- Phosphorus
- Nitrogen and Phosphorus
- WSM Phase 5 River Segments



Nested Optimization

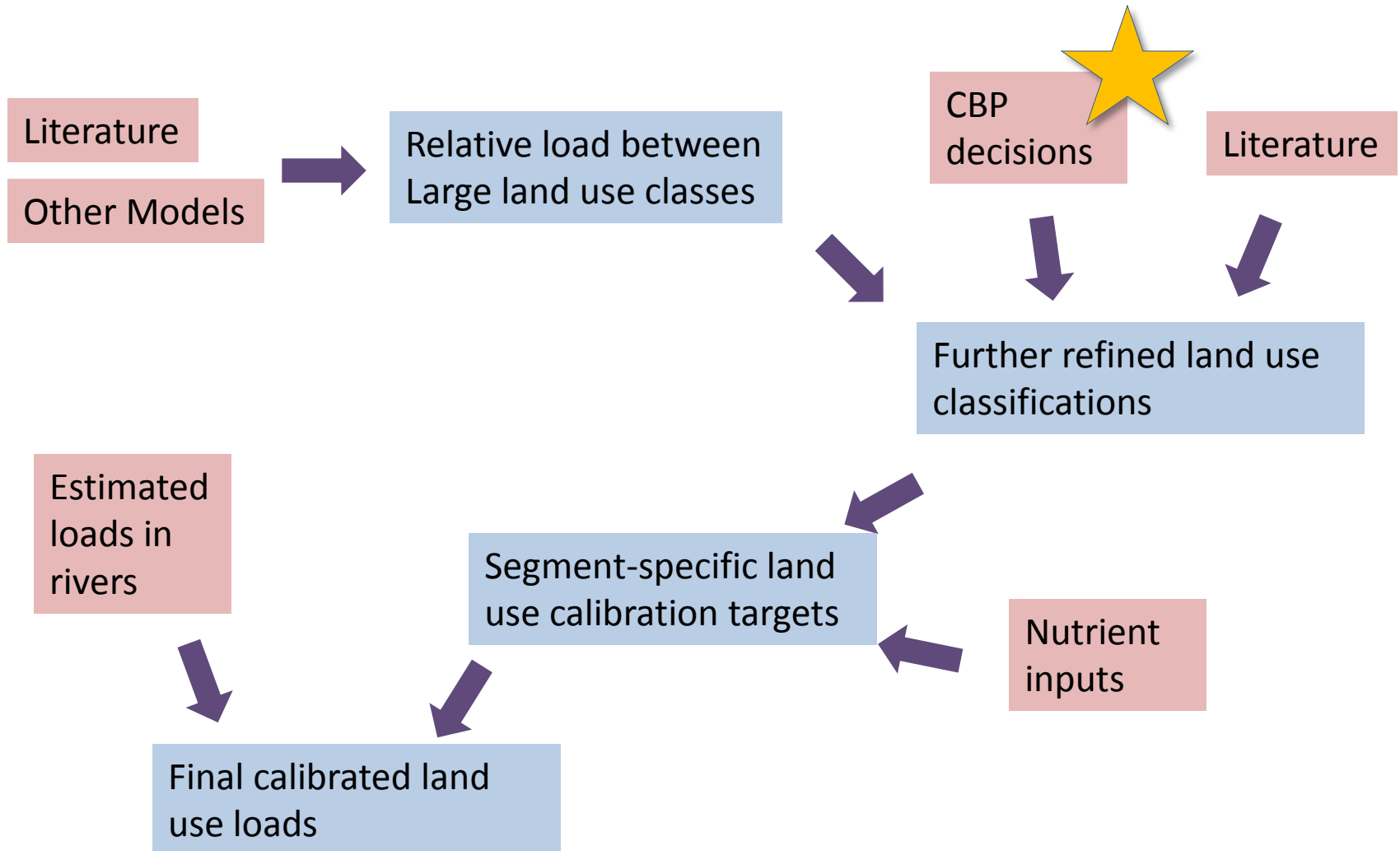
River Calibration



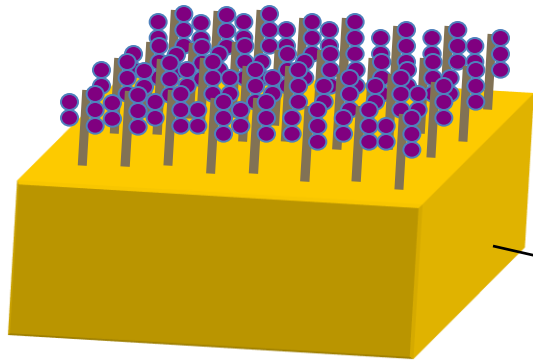
- Calculate necessary EOS to unbias the calibration
- Adjust EOS by that amount

Land Use Loads

LUWG can comment on any part of this process.



Scale in Phase 5 - Nutrients



Edge of **Stream**

Expected loads from one acre that reach 100 cfs stream

BMP Factor

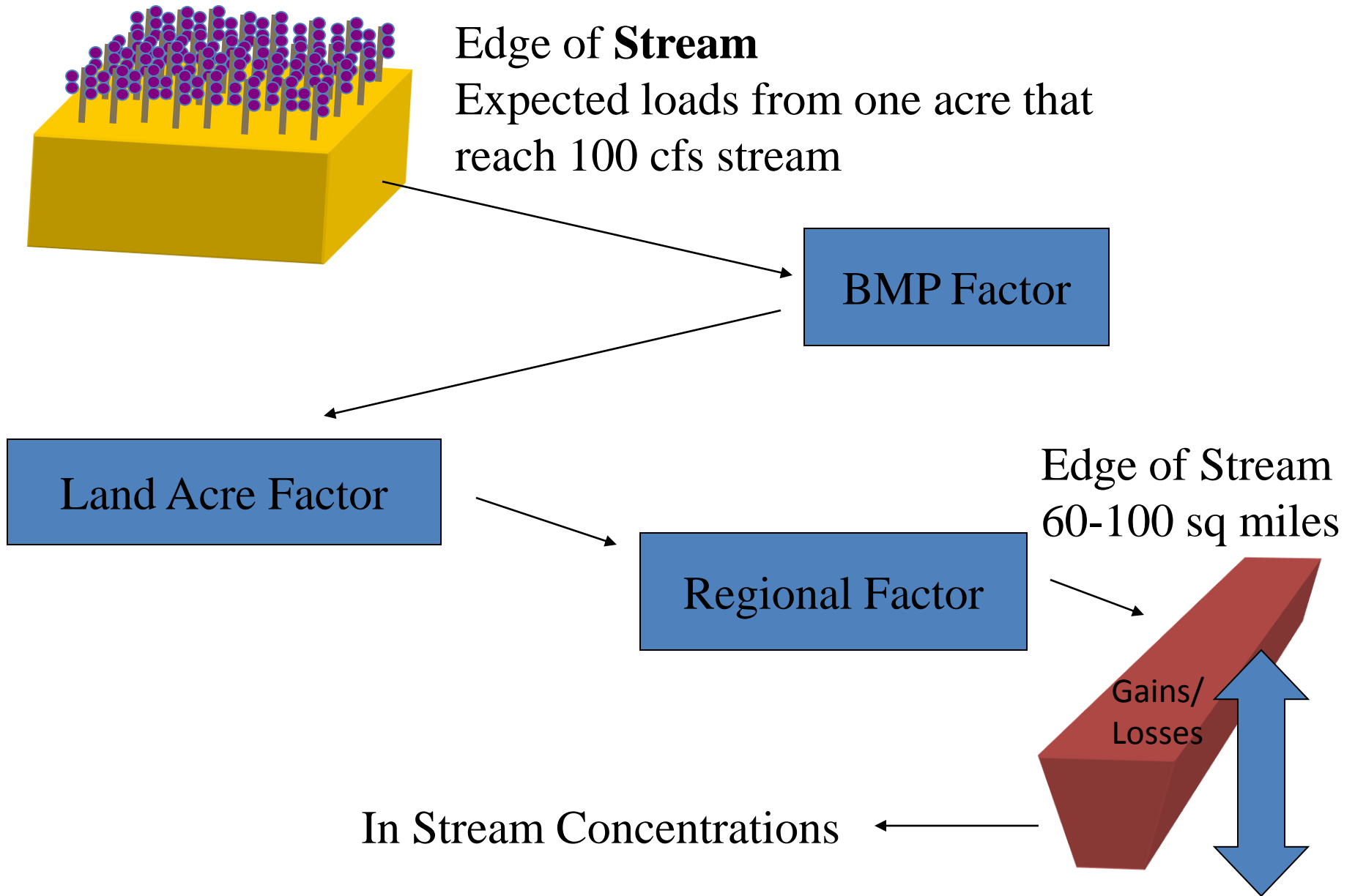
Land Acre Factor

Regional Factor

Edge of Stream
60-100 sq miles

Gains/
Losses

In Stream Concentrations



Adding a new land use

- Where it is
 - Need to have consistent estimate through time
- What it does
 - Loads it receives
 - fertilizer, manure, etc
 - Loads it exports
 - Relative to inputs
 - Relative to other land uses
 - Relative to other measurable factors