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FREEWAT development: Intro

- ❑ So far, **maintenance** of FREEWAT code is guaranteed by (few) persons, basically the ones mostly involved in its first development, plus helpful collaborations coming from others not included in the former Consortium (see later on).
- ❑ **Release Policy:** we are doing our best to ensure **3 releases/year**, organized as follows (policy defined according to the *QGIS-style*):
 - ✓ *Version 1.X.0* (within the end of July) – new reference release
 - ✓ *Version 1.X.1* (within the end of November) – subversion 1 of the 1.X.0
 - ✓ *Version 1.X.2* (within the end of next March) – subversion 2 of the 1.X.0
- ❑ Each version (or subversion) includes updates on the Manuals and new Tutorials (if any).
- ❑ A new release is deployed in:
 - (1) GitLab repository;
 - (2) FREEWAT website;
 - (3) official repository of QGIS plugins

FREEWAT development (since Sept. 2017): a commented Release History

- We are going to show the main improvements
- Developer(s) authored the improvements are reported in **[Orange]**
- Bugs fix is mentioned but not detailed in this presentation
- The detailed Release History is saved in file *release_history.rst* in freewat plugin folder (you can open it with any text editor)

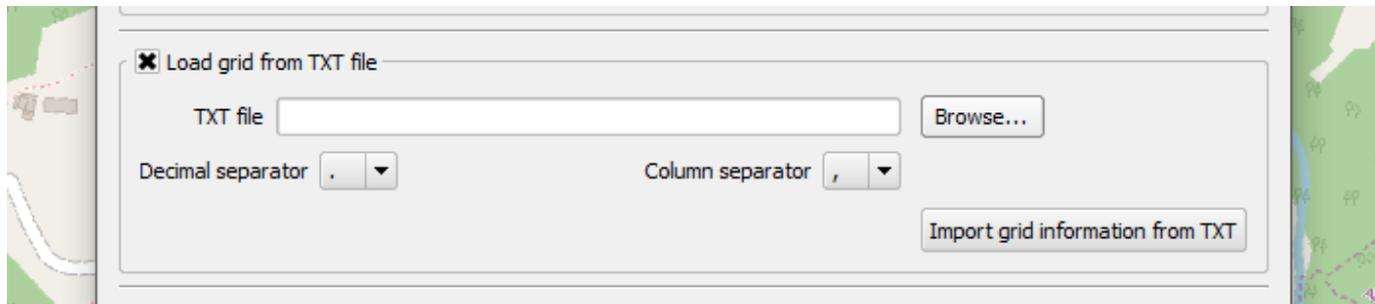
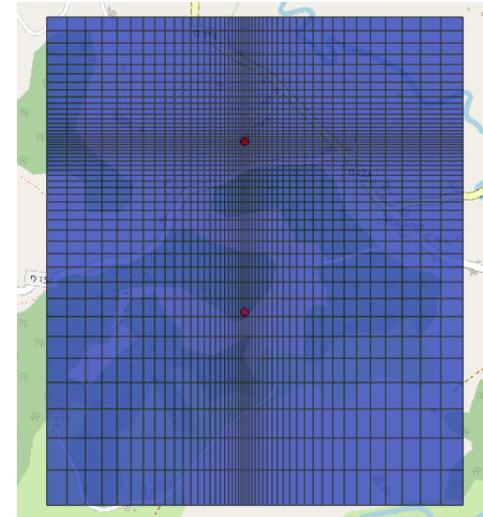
FREEWAT development (since Sept. 2017): a commented Release History

Release v.1.0.2 (March 2018)

Improvements in *Master*

- ✓ Including the possibility to create **non-regular grids** [Oliveira]
- ✓ A new tool to create a **telescopic refinement** of an existing regular grid [Borsi]

Bugs fix in: Copy to Vector, Crop Growth Module, Calibration, OAT



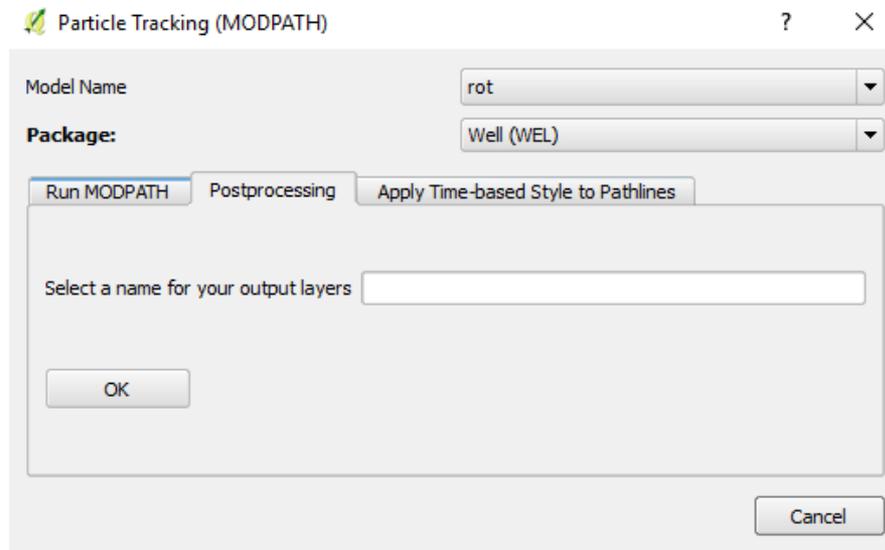
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Release v.1.1.0 (July 2018)

Improvements in *Master*

- ✓ Improvement of **Particle Tracking GUI** [Borsi]

Bugs fix in: Post-processing (Plot Model fit)



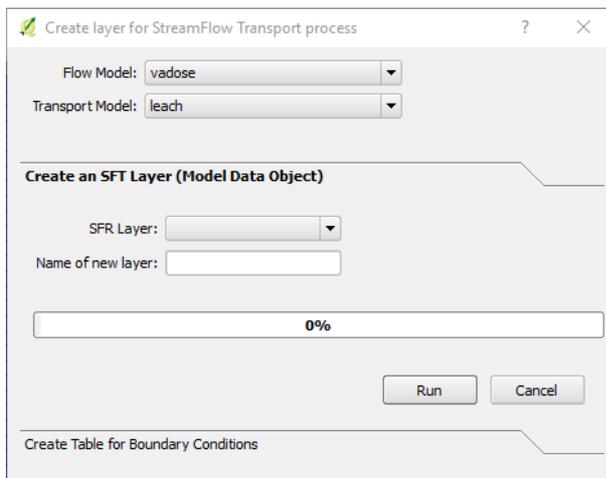
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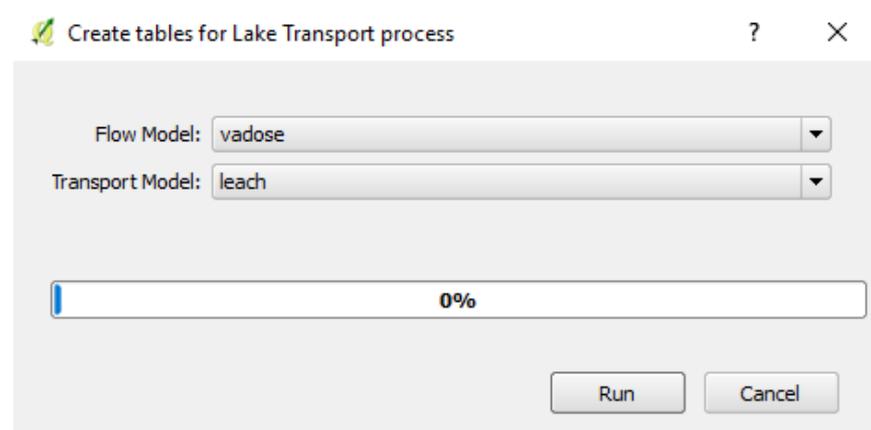
Improvements in *Transport*

- ✓ Including two new packages for MT3D-USGS: **Streamflow Transport (SFT)** and **Lake Transport (LKT)** [DeFilippis]

Bugs fix in: Create Grid, MNW2.



Dialog box titled "Create layer for StreamFlow Transport process". It features two dropdown menus: "Flow Model:" set to "vadose" and "Transport Model:" set to "leach". Below these is a section titled "Create an SFT Layer (Model Data Object)" containing an "SFR Layer:" dropdown and a "Name of new layer:" text input field. A progress bar at the bottom shows "0%". "Run" and "Cancel" buttons are located at the bottom right. A footer label reads "Create Table for Boundary Conditions".



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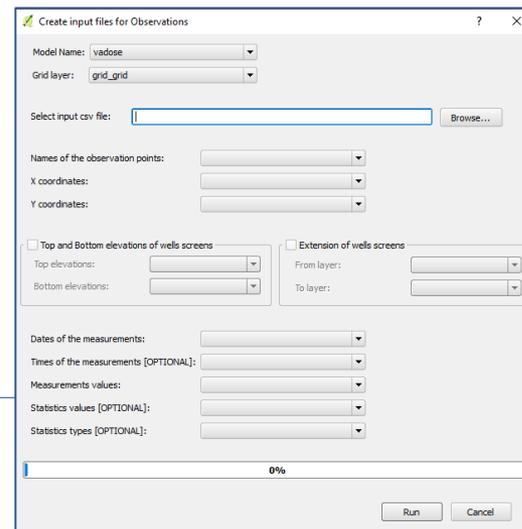
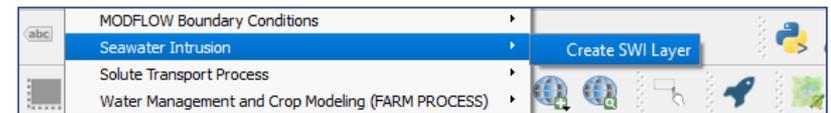
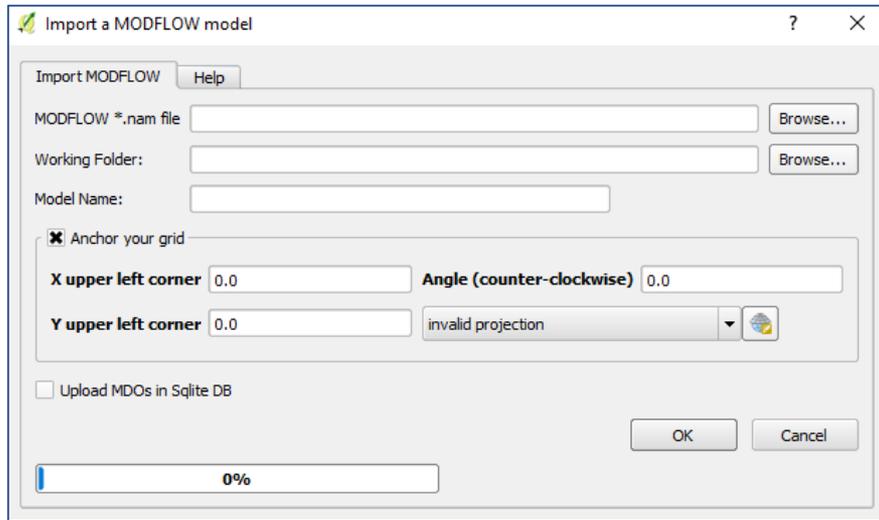
Improvements in *Master*

- ✓ Including capability to **import a MODFLOW model** [Borsi]
- ✓ Including support of **Seawater Intrusion Package (SWI2)** and extract the interface fresh/salt water as raster [Borsi]
- ✓ Improvement of **ParticleTracking** post-processing: **now working also with rotated and/or non-uniform grids** [Oliveira]

Improvements in *Calibration*

- ✓ Added a module to **automatically create input files** for head observations [DeFilippis]

Bugs fix in: Zone Budget, Installer, MNW2, Water Management,



Release v.1.2.0 (*Expected: July 2019; Scheduled: ... in few days...*)

Improvements in *Master*

(1) Including the possibility to use MODFLOW parameter **SS as Storage Coefficient** instead of Specific Storage [**Oliveira & Martins**]

...a new check box will appear in *Run Model* GUI

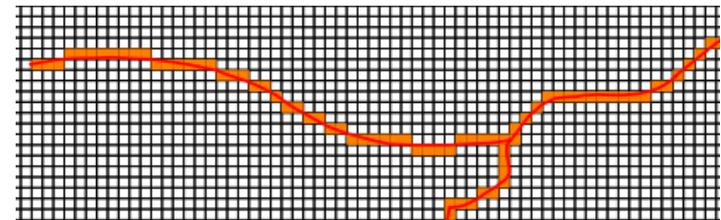
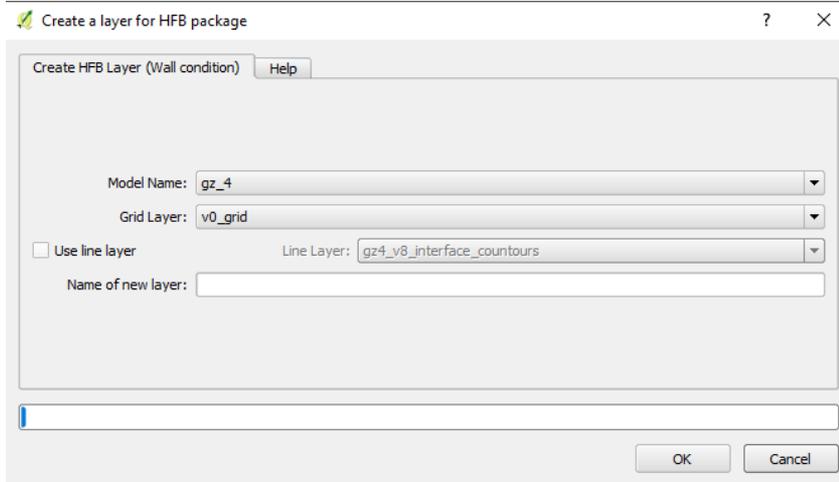
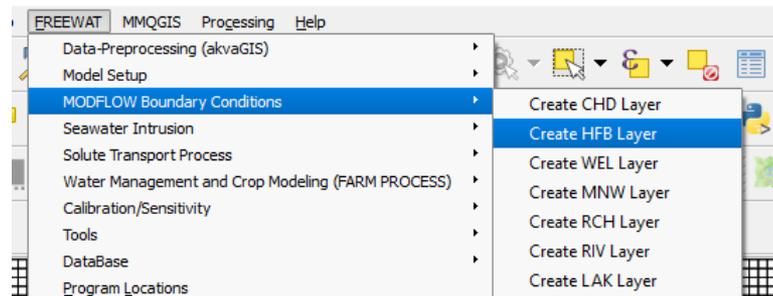
Model Parameters

- Column SS in model layer table is read as storage coefficient
[If unselected column SS is read as specific storage]

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Improvements in *Master*

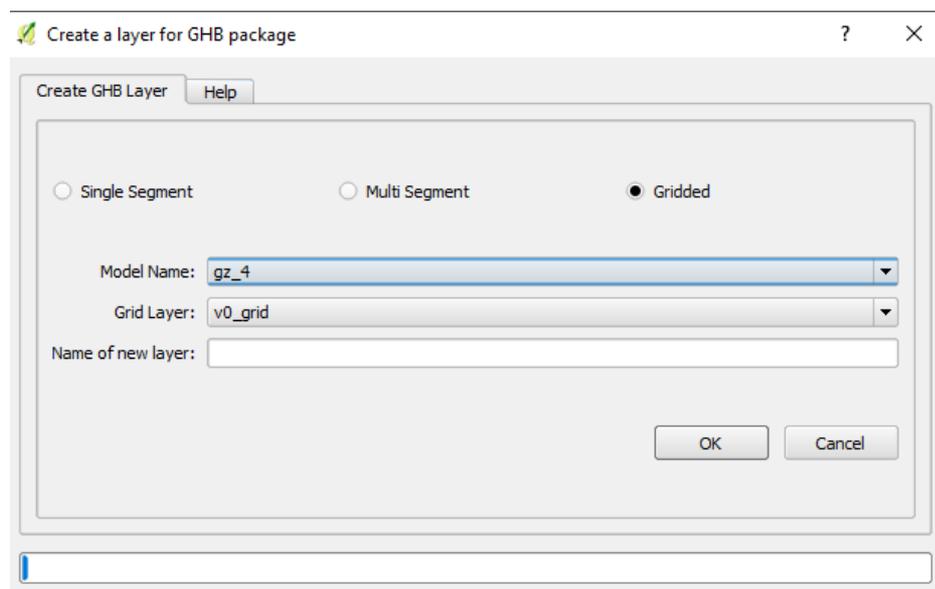
(2) Including support of **Horizontal Flow Barrier (HFB)** [Borsi]



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Improvements in *Master*

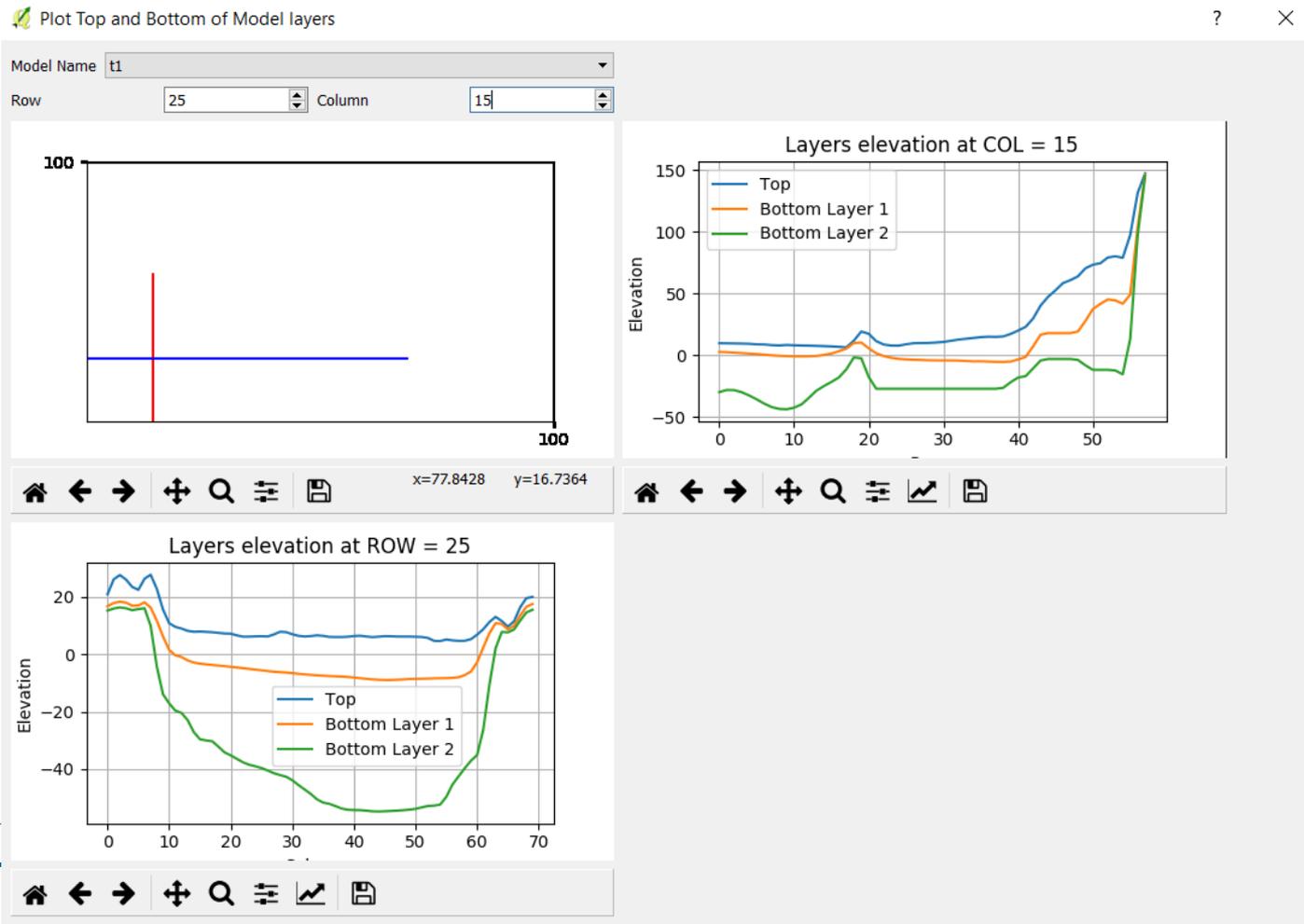
(3) Option to define **General Head Boundary (GHB)** on a selection of the **grid** instead of having a linear input **[Borsi]**



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Improvements in Post-processing

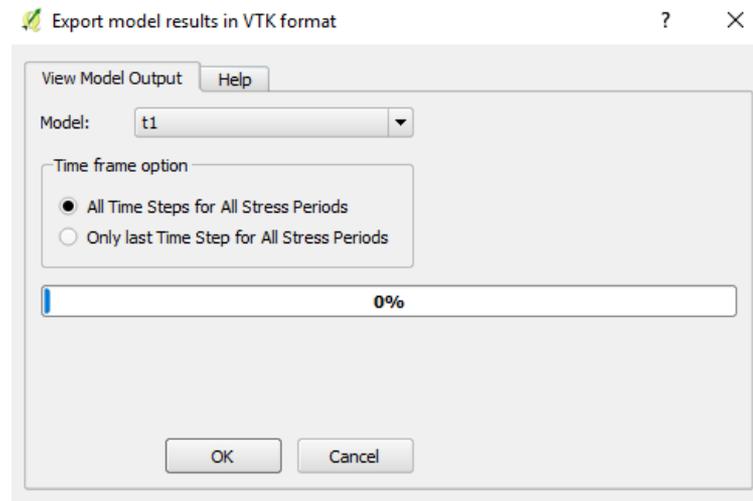
(4) Visualize **top and bottom cross sections** of the grid (even before the model run) [Borsi]



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Improvements in *Post-processing*

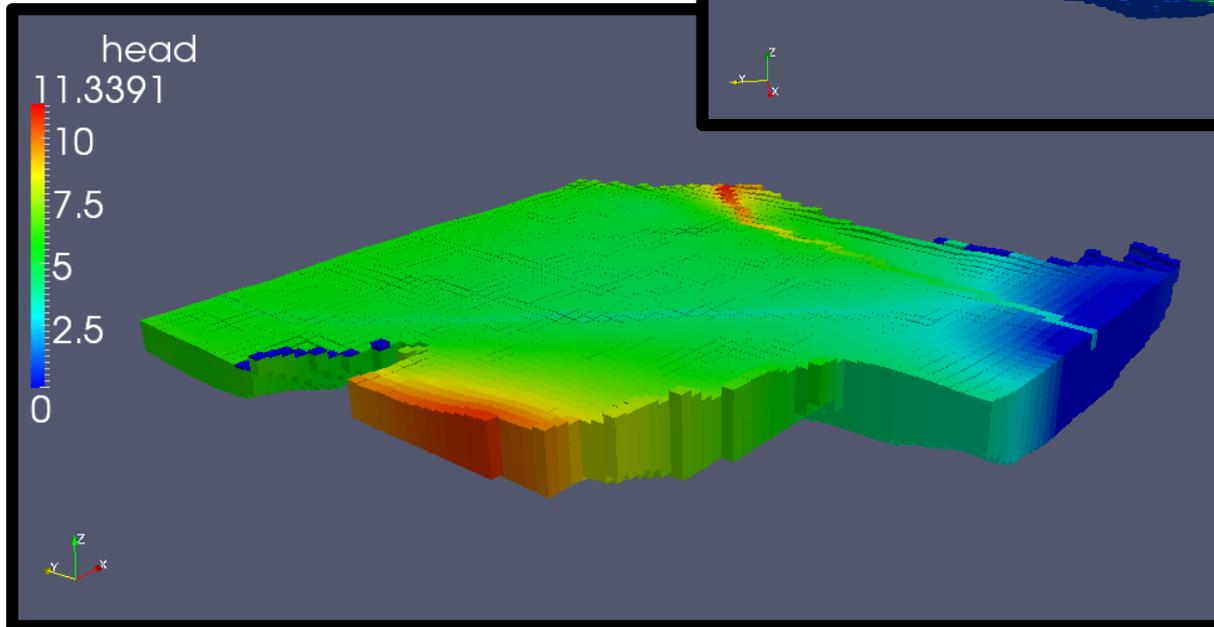
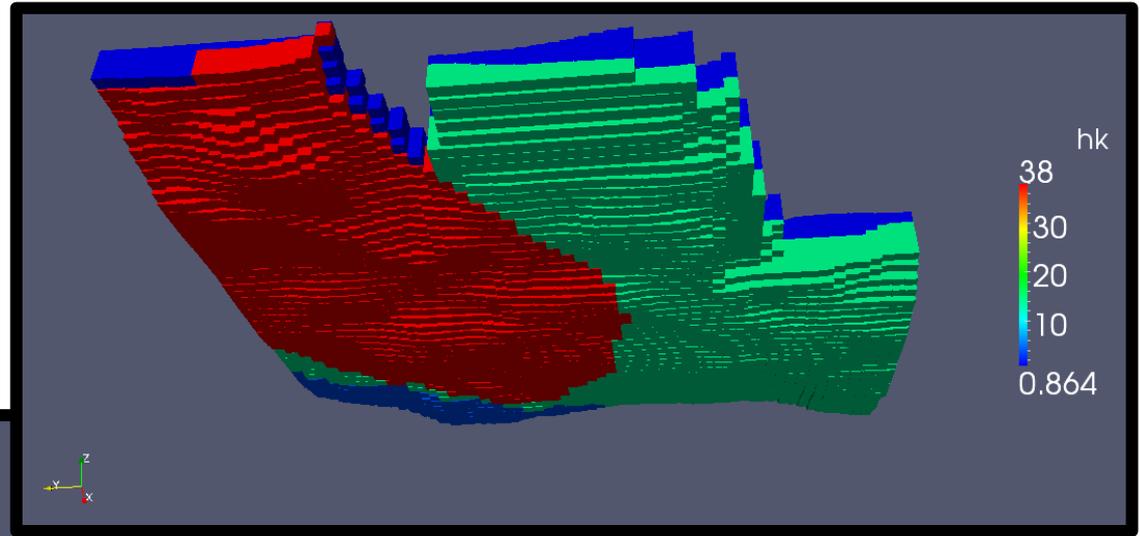
(5) Including capability to **export MODFLOW results in VTK format** [Borsi]



...and use this to get beautiful post-processing images/animations (e.g using **ParaView** free software): 3D visualization, slices, cross-section, cross-section plots, animations, etc.

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Examples



Forthcoming improvements/capabilities

- ❑ Several tools to analyze the model results (e.g. maximum head change, balance error, etc.) **[Oliveira & Martins]**
- ❑ Improvements of coupling nitrates leaching through vadose zone and transport simulation in gw **[DeFilippis]**
- ❑ Tools *Open and existing Freewat model* and *Save as* **[Borsi]**

Interesting synergies on the way ...

- New sub-plugin to be included for **water management in karst regions**
[Group from Technical University of Munich]
- Start including support for PEST **[Borsi,Lotti, Doherty]**
- ... *some others ? If YES, get us informed during the discussion :-)*

Interesting synergies on the way ...

SMAQua: smart ICT tools for efficient water use

What?

Contribute to
improving the
*protection of water
quality*



How?

Development and
application of *innovative
software tools* for the
analysis of spatial data (GIS,
numerical modelling)



Project partners



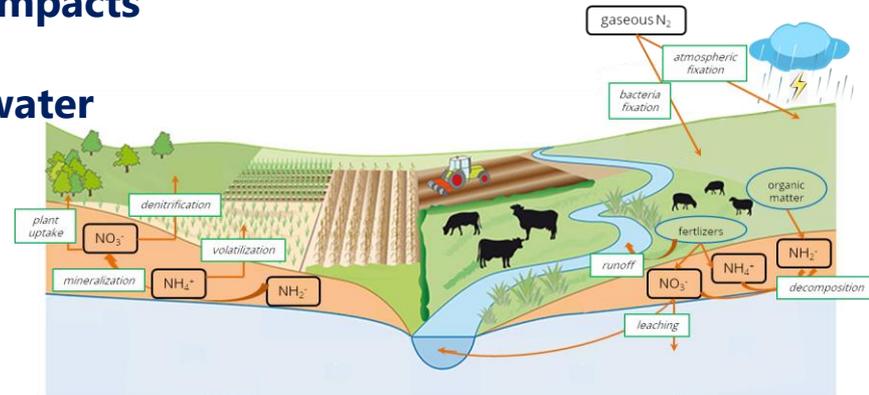
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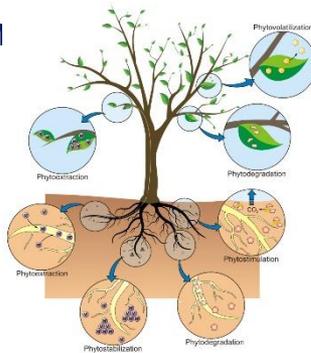
Project duration: 2018-2020

Specific objectives of the SMAQua project

Mitigating the impacts of agricultural production on water resources



Improving reclamation operations in contaminated areas



Reducing consumption in the management and distribution of drinking water

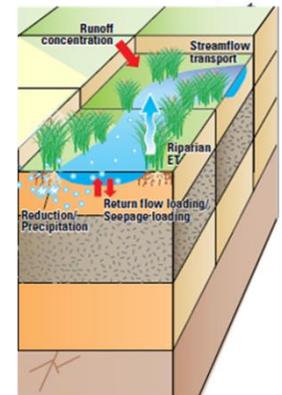


Figure from: Bedekar, V., Morway, E. D., Langevin, C. D., & Tonkin, M. J. (2016). MT3D-USGS version 1: A US Geological Survey release of MT3DMS updated with new and expanded transport capabilities for use with MODFLOW (No. 6-A53). US Geological Survey.

MARSoluT

Managed Aquifer Recharge ITN



ESR6:

Hydroinformatics and monitoring for investigating groundwater quality changes in Managed Aquifer Recharge (MAR)

Scuola Superiore Sant'anna + TEA spa, Pisa, Italy

Integration (with potential changes) of a reactive transport module in aquifers for investigating changes occurring in the aquifer during managed aquifer recharge, with specific focus on Boron and Arsenic.



FREEWAT

Free and Open Source Software Tools for Water Resource Management
EU HORIZON 2020 Project



... and the Big Deal: Porting in QGIS3 !!

- We already started discussing this issue last year.
- Technical work: not so difficult, but it needs **time** (= **resources** = **€**)
- Estimated costs (as manpower) ~ **30 K€**
- Let's talk and propose ideas during the discussion ...

FREEWAT Development: get involved!

To support FREEWAT development, we have a Developers Community.

Anyone interested to suggest (and develop!) enhancements and/or new capabilities is welcome!!!

If you want to join us, **subscribe** to the **Developers Group**:

Join the Group!!

<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!forum/freewat-developers-group>

and you'll get involved in FREEWAT future dev.

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Contributing is simple!

- Get an account on  GitLab
- Fork the FREEWAT official repo: <https://gitlab.com/freewat/freewat>
- Do your changes
- Submit your **Merge Request**
- Your contribution will be included in the first available release

Thanks a lot for your attention!

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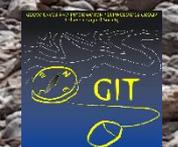
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