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# MODEL GRID IMPACTS

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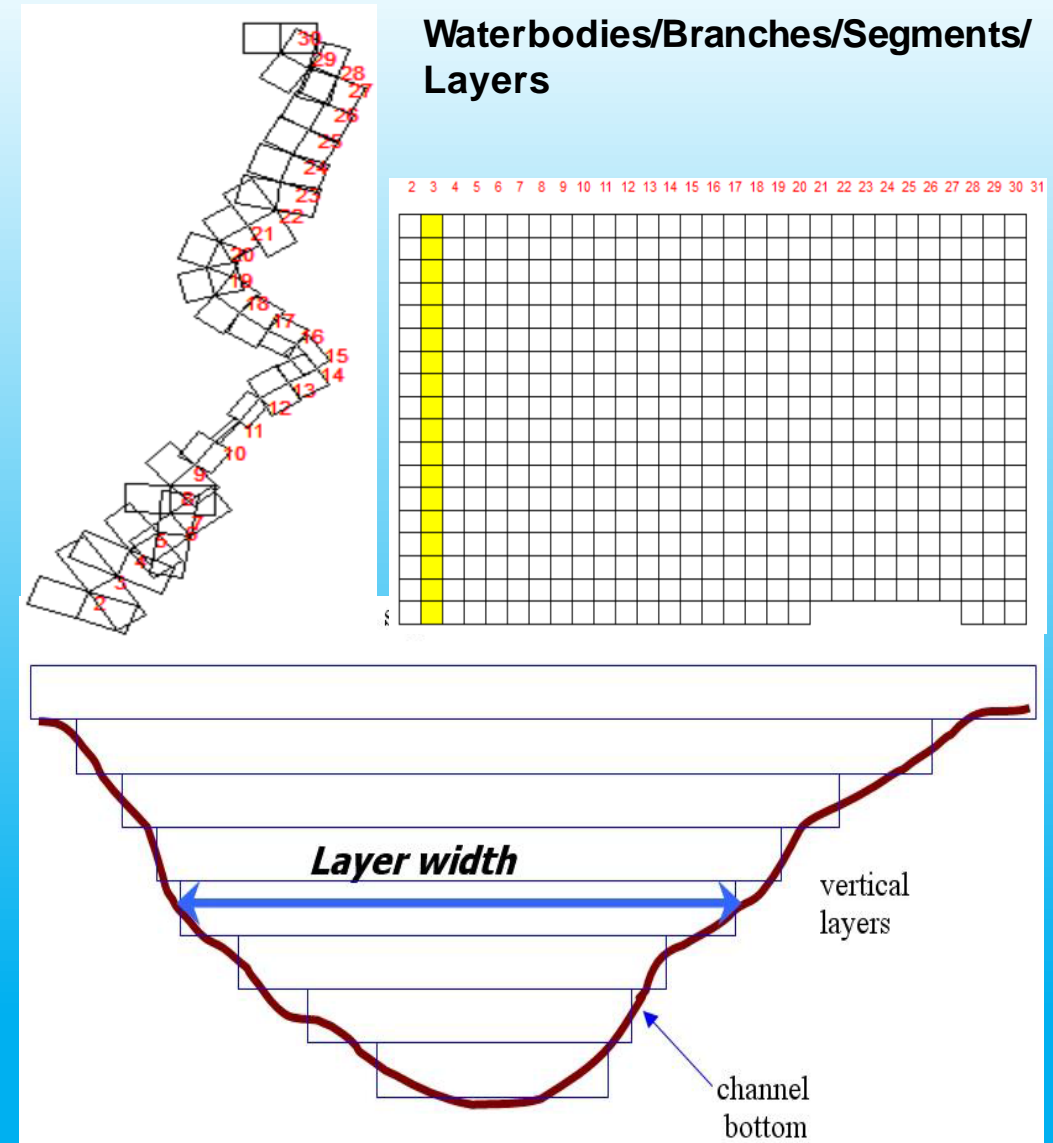


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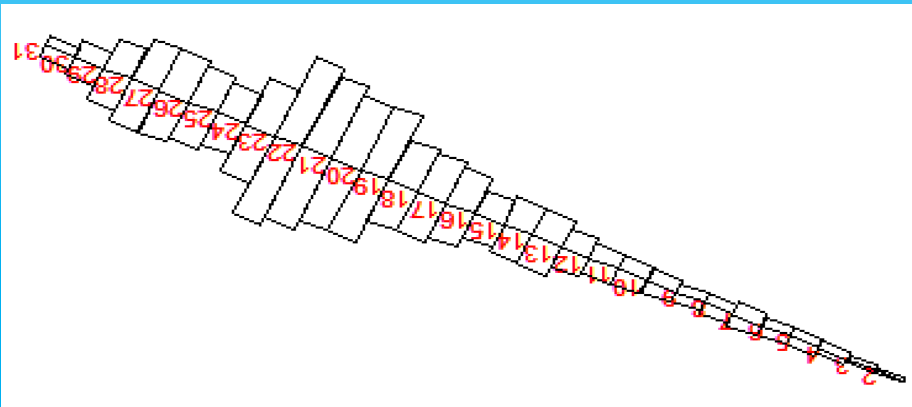
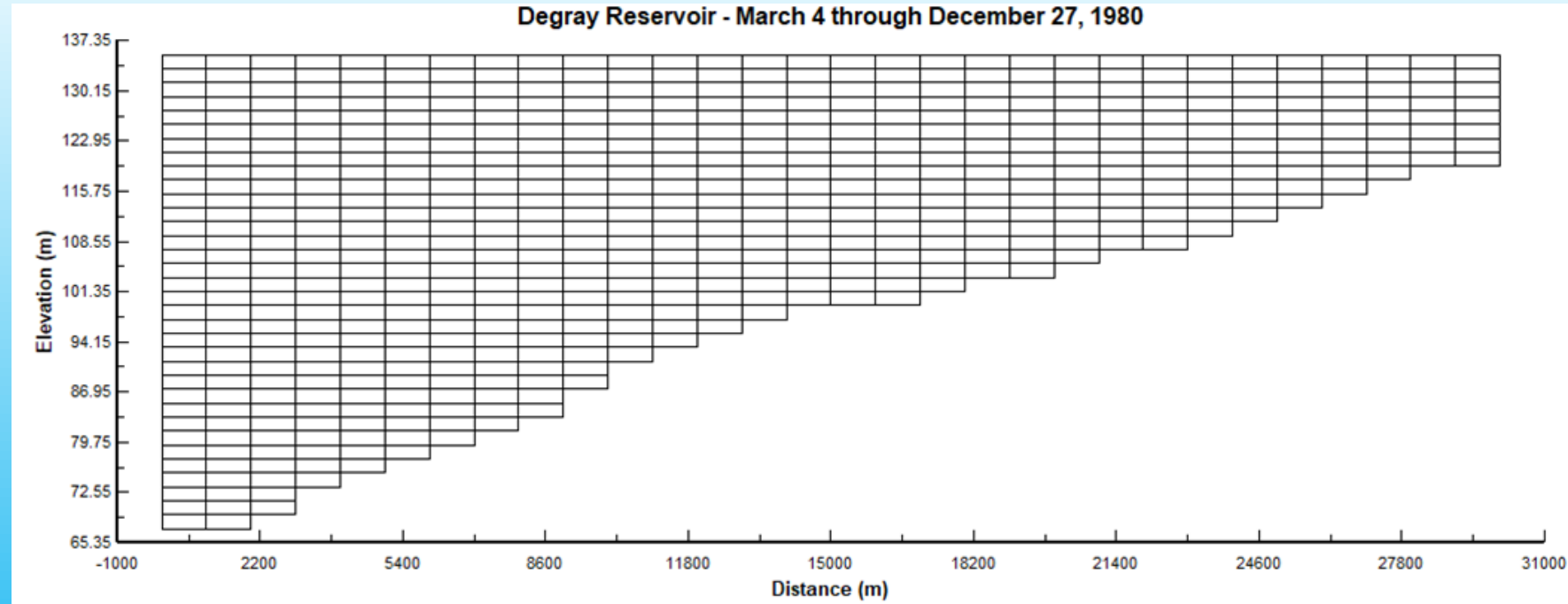


# CE-QUAL-W2 Model Grids

- Defining the spatial resolution ( $\Delta x$  and  $\Delta z$ ) for the model domain
- Depending on the objectives of the study, the grid discretization may be made coarser or finer.
- Increasing spatial resolution can severe penalty in terms of turnaround time for running the model
- Model results should not be a function of the grid resolution or the model timestep.

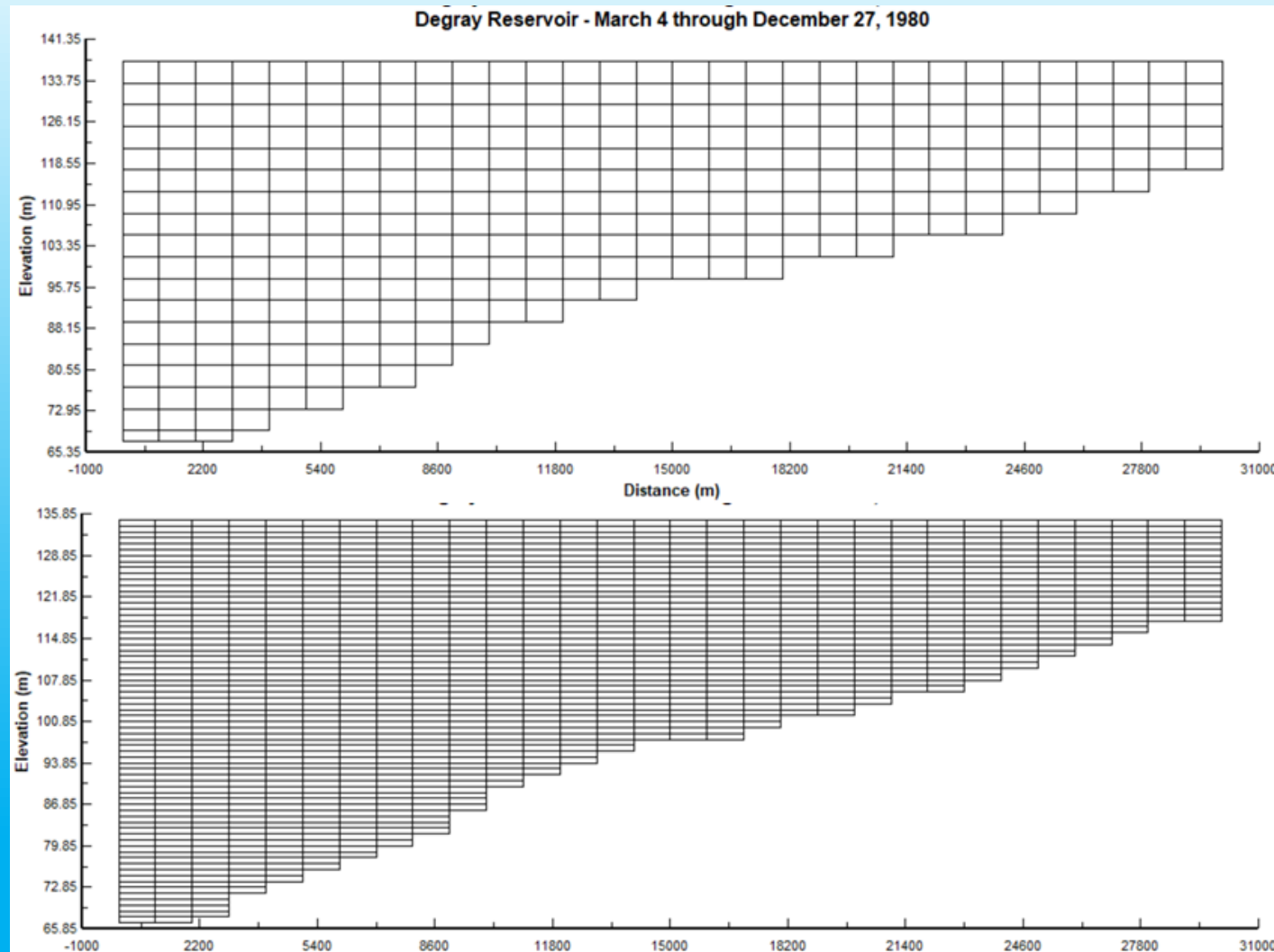


# Model Grids - DeGray Reservoir



- Branch length **30 km**
- Segment lengths **1000 m**
- Maximum width **5530 m**
- Layer height **2 m**
- Upstream segment **2**
- Downstream segment **31**

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# Bathymetry Files

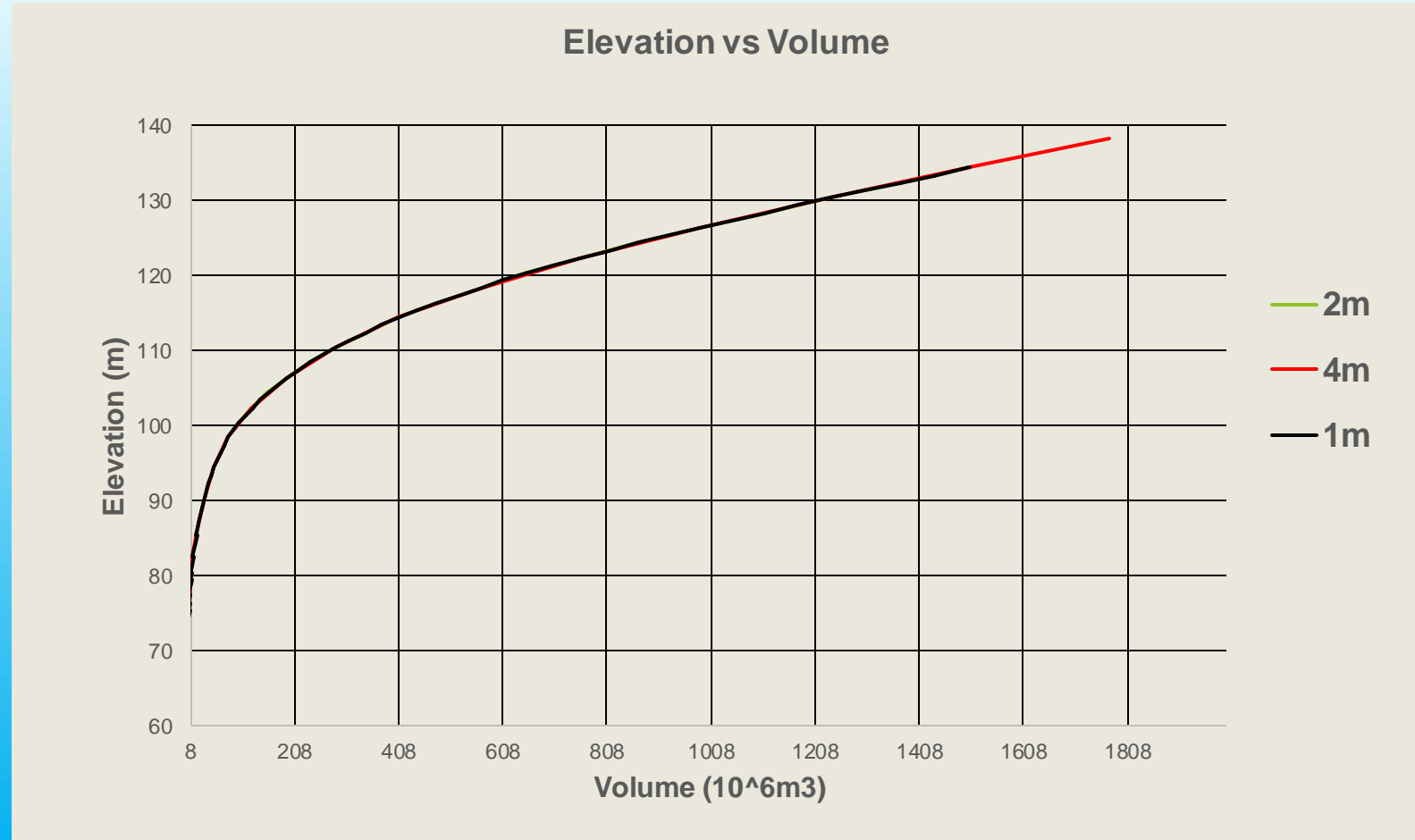
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Friction		70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70
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Segment		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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Friction		70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70
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Segment		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
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PHD		5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14	5.14
Friction		70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70	70
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4	1.00	.00	132.35	171.00	132.35	298.00	132.35	513.00	132.35	645.00	132.35
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13	1.00	.00	123.35	100.00	123.35	137.50	123.35	191.75	123.35	267.00	123.35
14	1.00	.00	122.35	86.00	122.35	112.50	122.35	147.25	122.35	211.00	122.35
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20	1.00	.00	116.35	.00	116.35	.00	116.35	17.50	116.35	75.00	116.35
21	1.00	.00	115.35	.00	115.35	.00	115.35	.00	115.35	52.50	115.35

1. segment lengths
2. water surface elevations
3. segment orientations
4. bottom friction
5. layer heights for each segment, and
6. average widths for each grid cell.

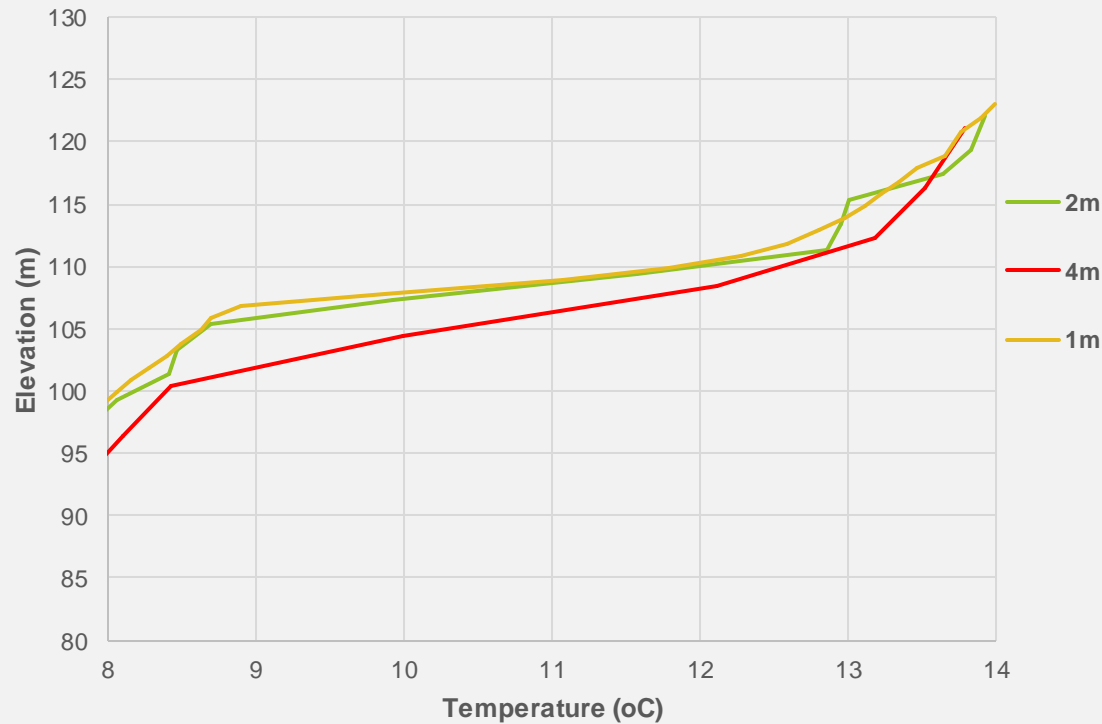
# Reservoir Elevation vs Volume



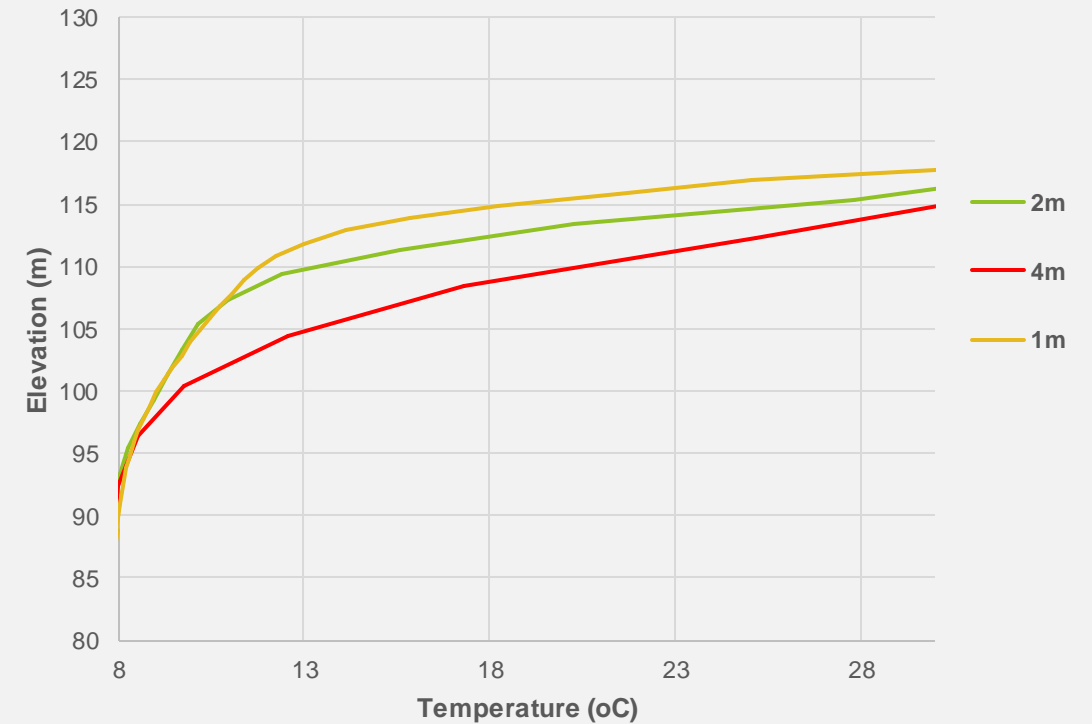
From this comparison, the model grid was determined to be an accurate representation of the reservoir's bathymetry.

# Predicted Water Temperature Profiles

Temperature Profile at Jday = 100

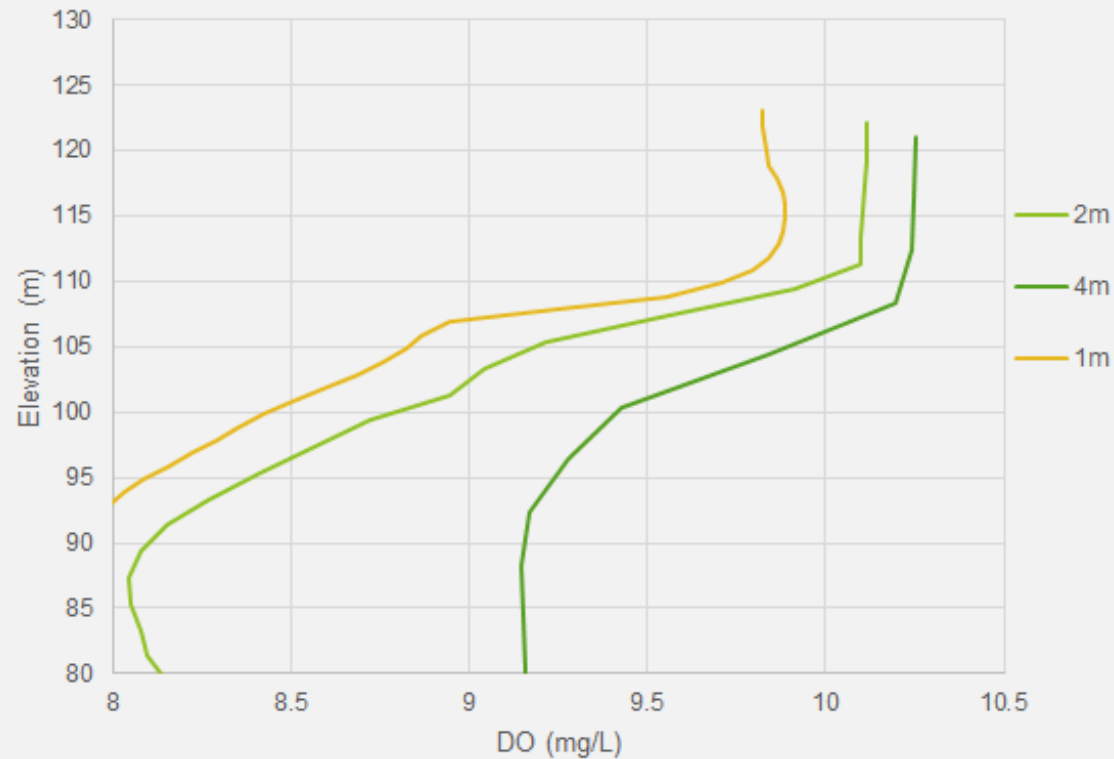


Temperature Profile at Jday = 200

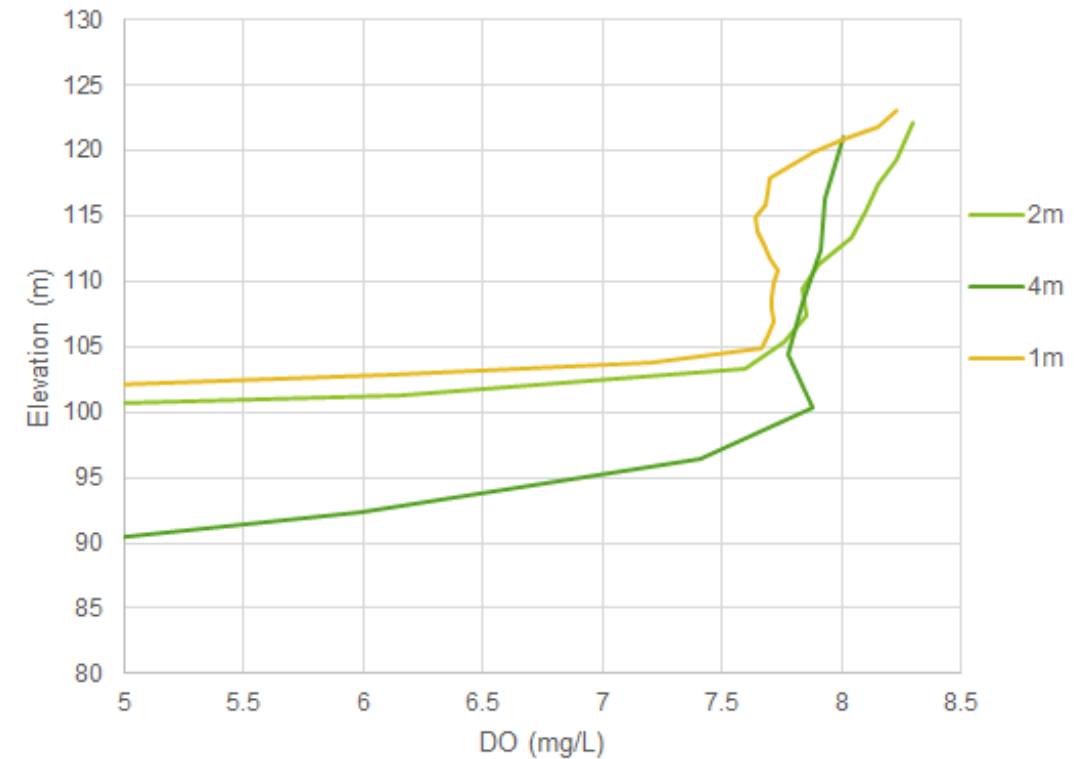


# Predicted Dissolved Oxygen (DO) Profiles

DO Profile at Jday = 100



DO Profile at Jday = 340





# Hands-on Exercises

- Review the differences of bathymetry files
  - Layer height = 2 m (bth1.csv)
  - Layer height = 1 m (bth1-1m.csv)
  - Layer height = 4 m (bth1-4m.csv)
- Run the DeGray reservoir W2 model with the new bathymetry files and note the differences in run time.
- Compare the differences of predicted 1) water temperature, dissolved oxygen profiles (**spr.csv**) and 2) withdrawal (**two\_31.csv**) for the 2 m, 1 m and 4 m layer heights

# Questions?



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