

Introduction to River Architect

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Ecohydraulics

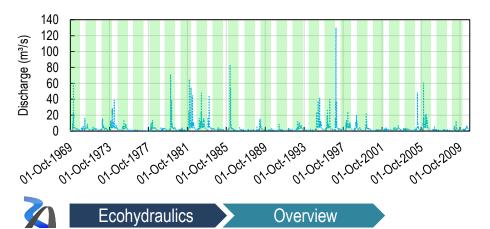
Ecohydraulic Assessments with River Architect

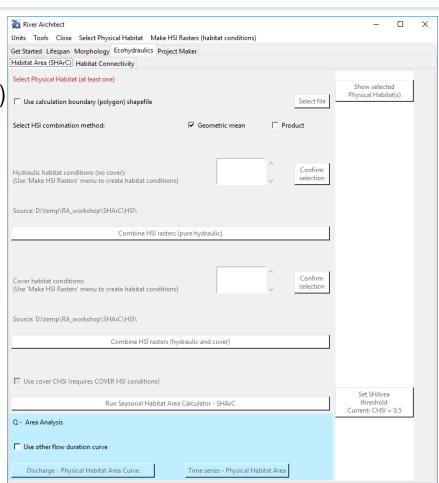
Definitions https://riverarchitect.github.io/RA_wiki/SHArC

Physical Habitat = Preferred depth & velocity (+ cover) of target fish species & lifestages

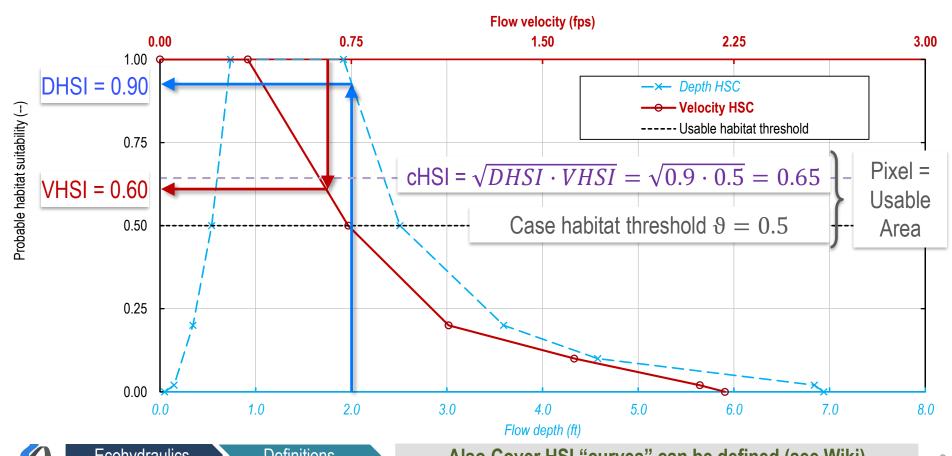
SHArC = Seasonal Habitat Area Calculator

SHArea = Seasonal Habitat Area

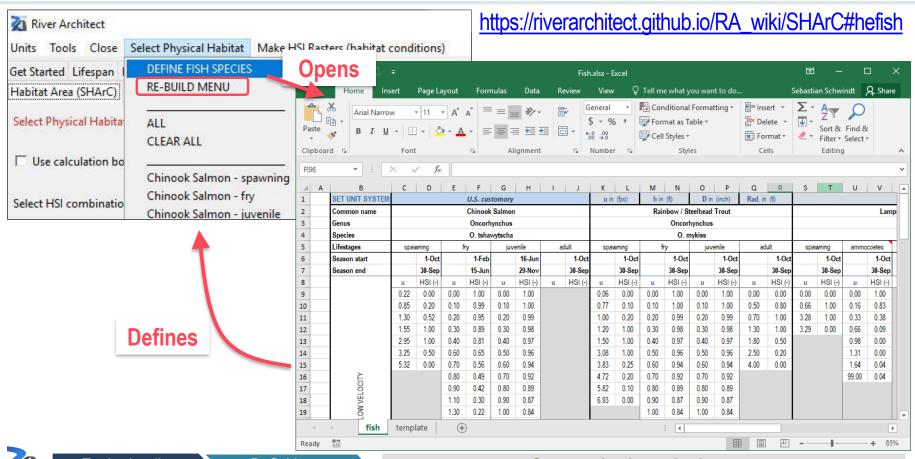




Physical Habitat Evaluation

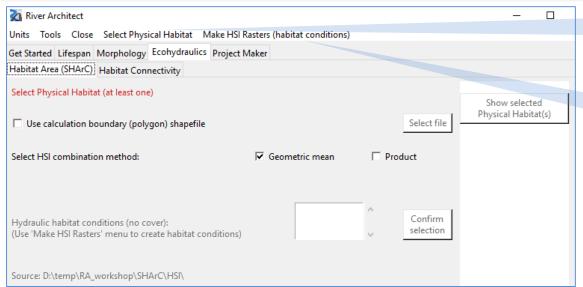


Physical Habitat Evaluation





Create Hydraulic Conditions (DHSI & VHSI Rasters)



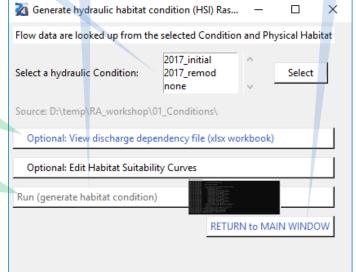
Flow frequencies are associated here as defined in 01_Conditions/CONDITION/flow_definitions.xlsx (Get Started!)

Creates SHArC/SHArea/CONDITION_sharea_chju.xlsx with name convention: CHinook JUvenile → chju (FILI)

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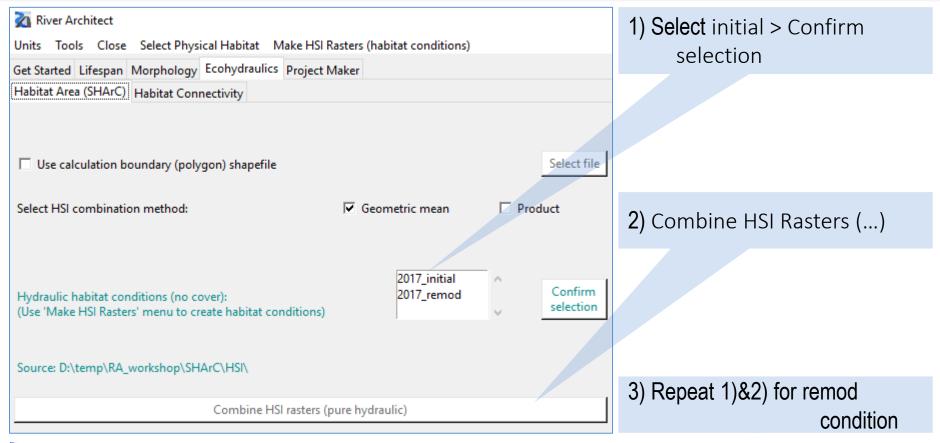
Ecohydraulics Activity

- 1) Select Physical Habitat > Chinook Salomon Juvenile
- 2) Make HSI Rasters (...) > HYDRAU-LIC Flow depth & velocity HSI
- 3) I. II. Repeat for remod

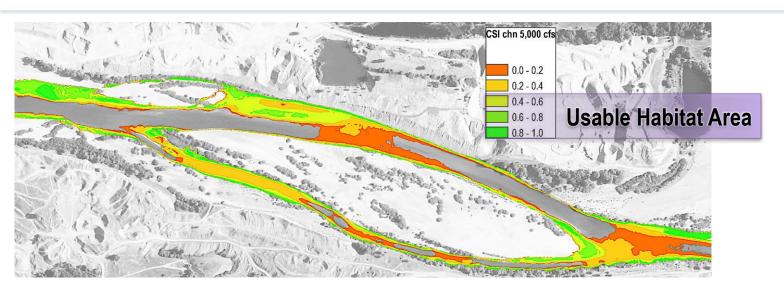


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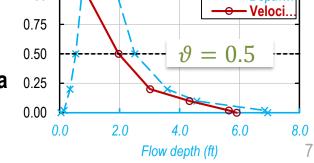
Combine Hydraulic Conditions (DHSI & VHSI \rightarrow cHSI Rasters)



Calculate SHArea



- → Repeat operation for multiple discharges (apply flow duration curve)
- \rightarrow Calculate usable habitat area (e.g., cHSI > $\vartheta = \ge$ 1)
- → Sum of usable areas for one discharge = Usable Area
- → Sum of multiple season-specific discharges = Seasonal Habitat Area (SHArea)



0.00

1.00

0.75

Flow velocity (fps)

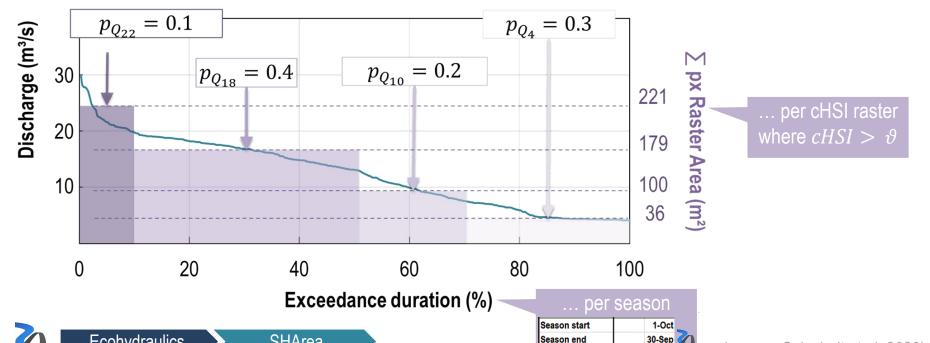
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Calculate SHArea

Calculate Seasonal Habitat Area (SHArea) – https://riverarchitect.github.io/RA_wiki/SHArC#herunSHArea

$$SHArea = \sum\nolimits_{p_{Qi}}^{p_{Qn}} \left[\sum px(cHSI > \vartheta) \cdot A_{px} \right] \cdot p_{Qk} = 0.1 \cdot 221 + 0.4 \cdot 179 + 0.2 \cdot 100 + 0.3 \cdot 36 = 124.5 \, m^2$$



Calculate SHArea

Defines Condition Repeat 1) & 2) for both conditions (click Confirm selection)

1) Set ϑ (default: $\vartheta = 0.5$)

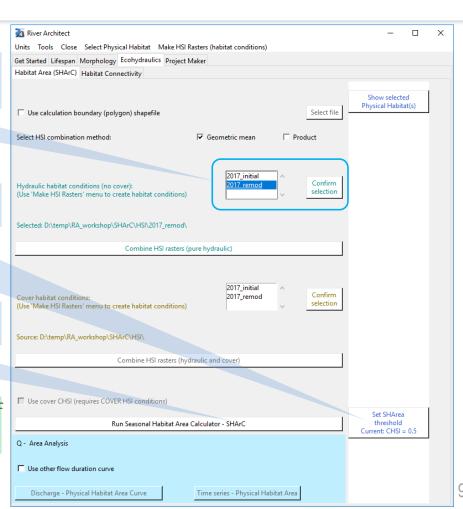
2) Calculate SHArea

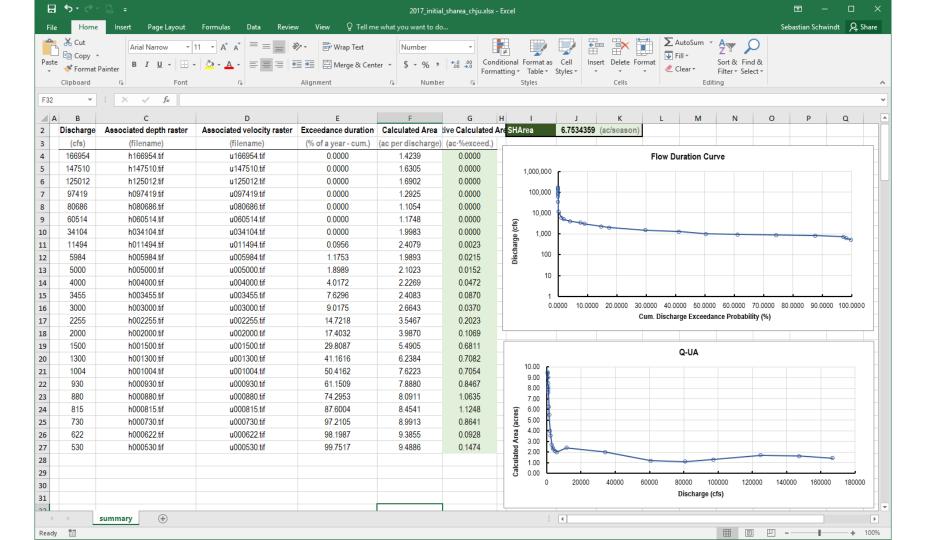


Creates: SHArC/SHArea/CONDMON/no_cover/csi_chjuQQQ.tif Completes: SHArC/SHArea/CONDMON_sharea_chju.xlsx



Ecohydraulics Activity





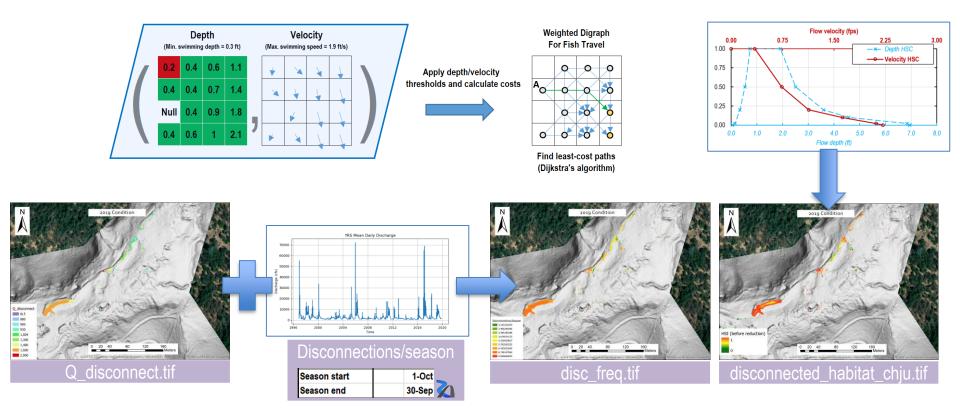
Compare SHArea of initial & remod Conditions → Project Maker

Detailed documentation & reading for this chapter https://riverarchitect.github.io/RA_wiki/SHArC



Connectivity Analysis

Calculate Stranding Risks: https://riverarchitect.github.io/RA_wiki/Connectivity#Methodology





Ecohydraulics Definitions

Calculate Stranding Risks

1) Select Physical Habitat (Chinook juvenile)

2) Select Condition

3) Input flow reduction scenario: 2000 cfs → 1004 cfs over 2 hrs

4) Run

5) Repeat 2-4 for remod condition



