

# ANISH KHANAL

## RESEARCH MODELER

### Summary

As a keen student of water resources sciences, I have developed expertise in physically based modeling, statistical modeling, machine learning techniques and geospatial analysis. I am actively looking for opportunities to innovate solutions to challenges in hydrology, hydraulics and water systems.

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### Skills

#### HYDRAULIC MODELING

HEC-RAS  
MIKE 21  
BSTEM  
MODFLOW  
HEC-HMS

#### GIS

ARC GIS 10.X  
ArcPy  
Python Addin

#### DATA SCIENCE

Exploratory Data Analysis  
Statistical Modeling  
Machine Learning  
Time series analysis/Forecasting  
Data visualization  
Data Wrangling/Management  
Big Data processing

#### PROGRAMING/SCRIPTING

Python  
Numpy  
Scipy  
Pandas  
Scikit Learn  
Statmodels  
Keras  
Tensorflow  
Pyspark  
MATLAB  
PostgreSQL  
UNIX SHELL scripting

### Professional Experience

Robert S Kerr Environmental Research Center, USEPA Ada, OK  
Research Modeler June 2016 to Current

- Developed python tool in ArcGIS to generate input data for physically- based numerical model
- Developed python scripts to analyze and visualize vulnerability of water resources to contamination from the spills
- Performed Plume modeling to estimate groundwater pollution
- Applied machine learning techniques to develop predictive models to estimate the levels of BTEX compounds and Ethanol in gasoline
- Assisted in development of overland flow model for crude oil

Oklahoma State University Stillwater, OK  
Researcher Aug. 2012 to May 2016

- Modeled erosion and bank retreat process with Bank Stability and Toe Erosion Model (BSTEM) and HEC RAS
- Designed and performed laboratory and field experiments on cohesive soil erosion with Jet erosion test (JET) device
- Analyzed JET device and methodology to develop standard operation protocol
- Taught sophomore level MATLAB course and Mentored undergraduate research fellowship recipients
- Published peer reviewed articles in Journal of Hydrologic Engineering, Journal of Hydraulic Engineering, Ecological Engineering

Southern Illinois University Carbondale, IL  
Researcher Jan. 2010 to Aug. 2012

- Developed 2D hydrodynamic models of river training structures in Middle Mississippi using MIKE 21c, HECRAS
- Analyzed impact of the river training structures on aquatic habitat and presented results of the simulations using ArcGIS
- Published peer reviewed article in Journal of Hydrology
- Operated boat mounted Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler (ADCP) unit in local Rivers
- Processed and mapped raw data from the ADCP unit using ArcGIS 9

### Education

Oklahoma State University Aug. 2012 to May 2016  
Ph.D. Biosystems Engineering 2016  
Concentration: Water and Soil Engineering

Southern Illinois University Jan. 2010 to Aug. 2012  
MS Civil Engineering 2012  
Concentration: Water Resources Engineering

### Pertinent Publications

Khanal, A., Kalvon, K., Fox, G., Daly, E. (2016). "Comparison of Linear and Nonlinear Models for Cohesive Sediment Detachment: Rill Erosion, Hole Erosion Test, and Streambank Erosion Studies". Journal of Hydraulic Engineering. doi: 10.1061/(ASCE)HY.1943-7900.0001147.

Kalvon, K., Fox, G., Guertault, L., Langendoen, E., Enlow, H., Miller, R., Khanal A. (2016). "Evaluating a Process-Based Model for use in Streambank Stabilization: Insights on the Bank Stability and Toe Erosion Model (BSTEM)". Earth surface Processes and Landforms (State of Science paper). doi: 10.1002/esp.4073.

Remo, J., Khanal A., Pinter, N. (2013). "Assessment of chevron dikes for the enhancement of physical-aquatic habitat within the Middle Mississippi River, USA". Journal of Hydrology, 501(146-162). doi:10.1016/j.jhydrol.2013.07.007.

Weaver, J.W., Murray, A.R, Khanal, A., Kremer, F.V., (2017) Relationships between Private Domestic Wells and Underground Storage Tanks: A Pilot Mapping Implementation, U.S. EPA/600/R-17-282.