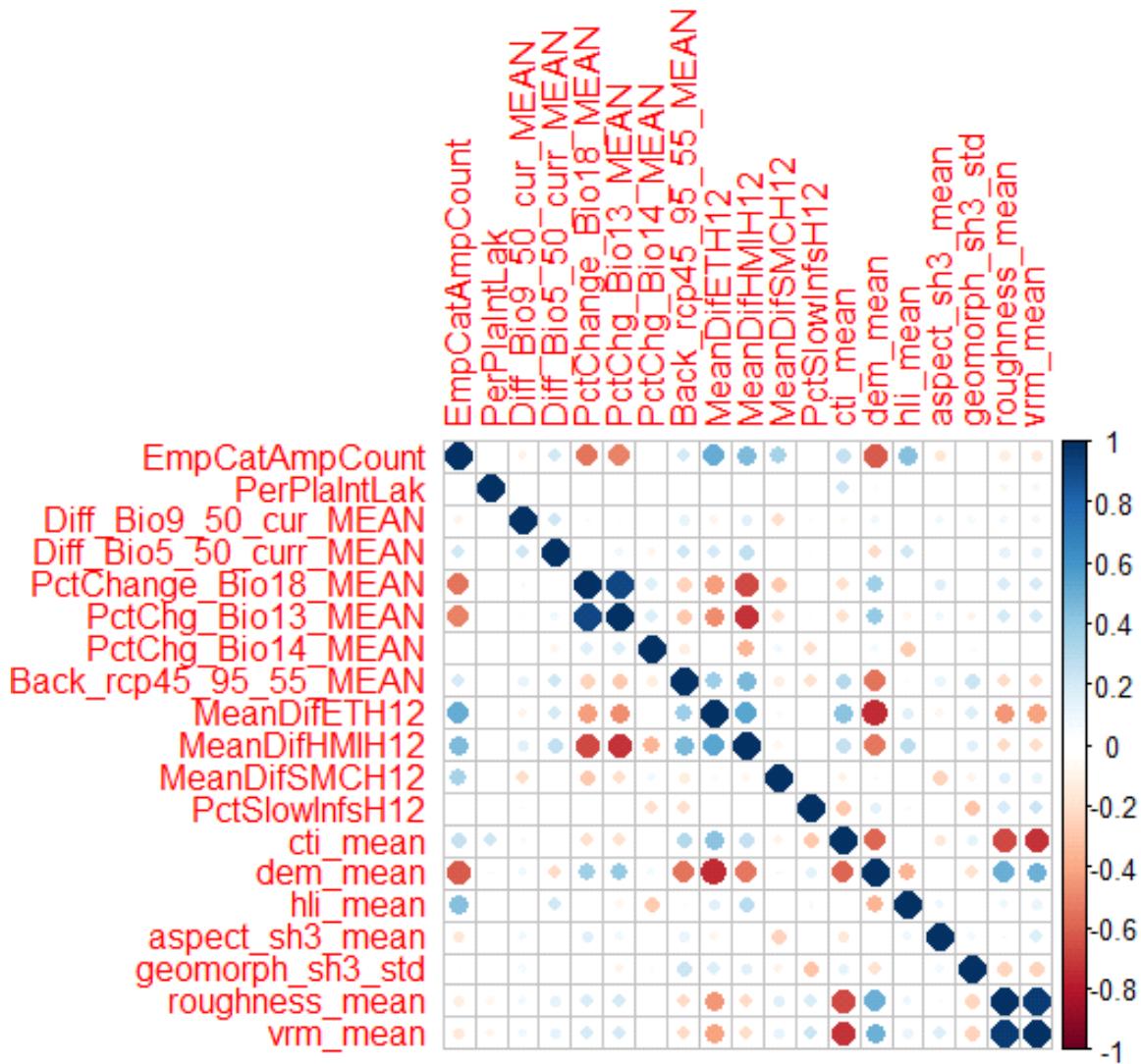


# Correlations

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Pearson correlations between variables considered for assessment of ephemeral catchments



HMI, CTI, and DEM are correlated with other indicators. CTI seems the most important of these to keep.

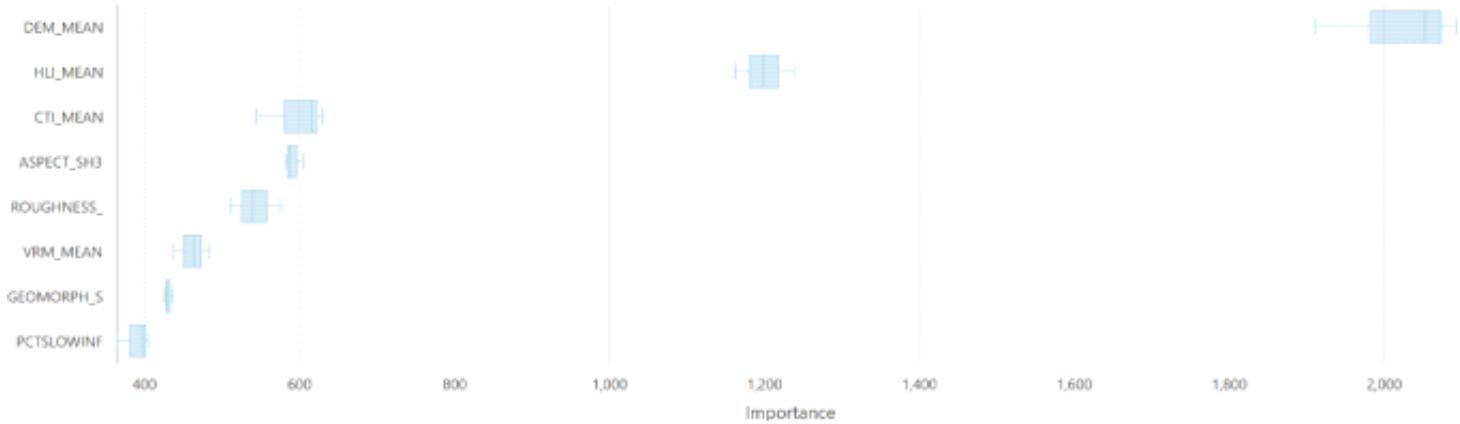
Forest-Based and Boosted Classification results for ephemeral catchments. Lithology, soil, and topography variables were assessed for their ability to predict species richness and playa/intermittent lake coverage.

Predicting ephemeral-dependent amphibian species richness:

#### Top Variable Importance

Variable	Importance	%
dem_mean	2093.70	34
hli_mean	1162.08	19
aspect_sh3_mean	664.30	10
cti_mean	543.76	9
roughness_mean	538.86	9
vrml_mean	463.95	7
geomorph_sh3_std	425.92	7
PctsSlowInfsH12	365.04	6

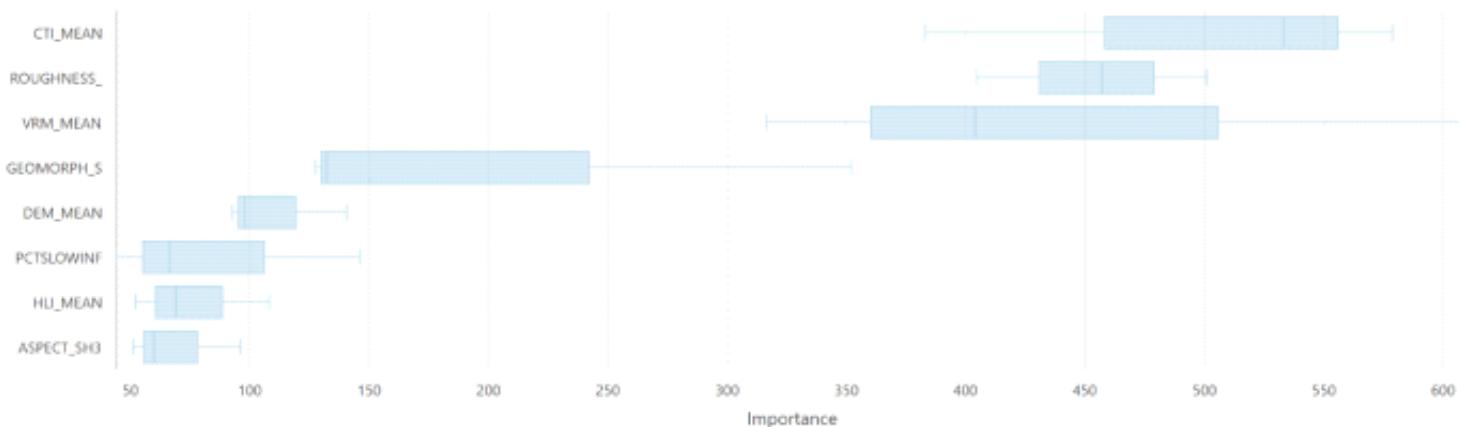
#### Distribution of Variable Importance



Predicting playa/intermittent lake coverage

Variable	Importance	%
vrm_mean	607.57	30
cti_mean	533.16	27
roughness_mean	456.93	23
geomorph_sh3_std	132.27	7
dem_mean	92.76	5
hli_mean	69.01	3
PctSlowInfsH12	66.17	3
aspect_sh3_mean	51.24	3

Distribution of Variable Importance



# Exploratory Regression

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Assessment of climate variables

Response variable: ephemeral catchment-dependent amphibian species richness

Choose 1 of 9 Summary

## Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.30	10850.67	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN***
0.26	11017.67	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	+MEANDIFETH12***
0.25	11053.38	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	-PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN***

Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
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Choose 2 of 9 Summary

## Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.40	10333.66	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	+MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.39	10391.31	0.00	0.00	1.22	0.00	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12***
0.35	10594.70	0.00	0.00	1.01	0.00	+MEANDIFHMH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***

Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
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### Choose 3 of 9 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.47	9984.15	0.00	0.00	1.38	0.00	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.46	10038.39	0.00	0.00	1.43	0.00	+MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFHMIH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.45	10098.56	0.00	0.00	1.38	0.00	-PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
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### Choose 4 of 9 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.49	9859.10	0.00	0.00	1.41	0.00	+DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.48	9933.19	0.00	0.00	2.38	0.00	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFHMIH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.47	9947.80	0.00	0.00	1.46	0.00	+DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
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### Choose 5 of 9 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.49	9848.26	0.00	0.00	2.73	0.00	+DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFHMIH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.49	9858.69	0.00	0.00	1.42	0.00	-DIFF_BIO9_50_CURR_MEAN* +DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.49	9859.01	0.00	0.00	1.49	0.00	+DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +PCTCHG_BIO14_MEAN *MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
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### Exploratory Regression Global Summary (EMPCATAMPCount)

#### Percentage of Search Criteria Passed

Search Criterion	Cutoff	Trials	# Passed	% Passed
Min Adjusted R-Squared	> 0.50	381	0	0.00
Max Coefficient p-value	< 0.05	381	246	64.57
Max VIF Value	< 7.50	381	375	98.43
Min Jarque-Bera p-value	> 0.10	381	0	0.00
Min Spatial Autocorrelation p-value	> 0.10	18	0	0.00

#### Summary of Variable Significance

Variable	% Significant	% Negative	% Positive
DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN	100.00	0.00	100.00
PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN	100.00	100.00	0.00
MEANDIFETH12	100.00	0.00	100.00
MEANDIFSMCH12	100.00	0.00	100.00
MEANDIFHMIH12	92.02	5.52	94.48
PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN	90.18	79.14	28.86
DIFF_BIO9_50_CURR_MEAN	86.50	92.02	7.98
PCTCHG_BIO14_MEAN	82.82	19.02	80.98
BACK_RCP45_95_55_MEAN	55.21	33.74	66.26

#### Summary of Multicollinearity

Variable	VIF	Violations	Covariates
DIFF_BIO9_50_CURR_MEAN	1.18	0	-----
DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN	1.42	0	-----
PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN	6.58	0	-----
PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN	8.34	6	-----
PCTCHG_BIO14_MEAN	1.26	0	-----
BACK_RCP45_95_55_MEAN	1.34	0	-----
MEANDIFETH12	1.64	0	-----
MEANDIFHMIH12	3.58	0	-----
MEANDIFSMCH12	1.32	0	-----

### Summary of Residual Normality (JB)

JB	AdjR2	AICc	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.000001	0.398867	10369.006193	0.000000	7.079497	0.000000	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN*** -BACK_RCP45_95_55_MEAN** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFHMIH12**
0.000000	0.398415	10370.386572	0.000000	7.074590	0.000000	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFHMIH12
0.000000	0.398880	10372.158244	0.000000	6.358657	0.000000	-PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +PCTCHG_BIO13_MEAN*** -BACK_RCP45_95_55_MEAN +MEANDIFETH12***

### Summary of Residual Spatial Autocorrelation (SA)

SA	AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	Model
0.000000	0.489748	9848.259031	0.000000	0.000000	2.728427	+DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFHMIH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.000000	0.488070	9858.693831	0.000000	0.000000	1.421514	-DIFF_BIO9_50_CURR_MEAN* +DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***
0.000000	0.488019	9859.005765	0.000000	0.000000	1.490374	+DIFF_BIO5_50_CURR_MEAN*** -PCTCHANGE_BIO18_MEAN*** +PCTCHG_BIO14_MEAN +MEANDIFETH12*** +MEANDIFSMCH12***

### Table Abbreviations

AdjR2	Adjusted R-Squared
AICc	Akaike's Information Criterion
JB	Jarque-Bera p-value
K(BP)	Koenker (BP) Statistic p-value
VIF	Max Variance Inflation Factor
SA	Global Moran's I p-value
Model	Variable sign (+/-)

Assessment of lithology/soil/topography variables

Response variable: ephemeral catchment-dependent amphibian species richness

### Choose 1 of 8 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.38	10461.56	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	-DEM_MEAN***
0.19	11311.47	0.00	0.00	1.00	0.00	+HLI_MEAN***
0.06	11771.34	0.00	0.16	1.00	0.00	+CTI_MEAN***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model

### Choose 2 of 8 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.44	10169.01	0.00	0.00	1.14	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN***
0.43	10216.15	0.00	0.00	1.35	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.41	10300.36	0.00	0.00	1.32	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +VRM_MEAN***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model

### Choose 3 of 8 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.47	9962.23	0.00	0.00	1.16	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN***
0.46	10038.86	0.00	0.00	1.35	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.46	10053.14	0.00	0.00	1.73	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model

### Choose 4 of 8 Summary

#### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.49	9827.56	0.00	0.00	1.73	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.49	9851.08	0.00	0.00	1.70	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +VRM_MEAN***
0.48	9877.15	0.00	0.00	1.82	0.00	-CTI_MEAN*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN***

#### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model

## Choose 5 of 8 Summary

### Highest Adjusted R-Squared Results

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.50	9811.99	0.00	0.00	2.17	0.00	-CTI_MEAN*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.49	9816.52	0.00	0.00	1.74	0.00	+PCTSLOWINFSH12*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.49	9826.79	0.00	0.00	1.74	0.00	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** -GEOMORPH_SH3_STD** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***

### Passing Models

AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
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### Exploratory Regression Global Summary (EMPCATAMPCOUNT)

#### Percentage of Search Criteria Passed

Search Criterion	Cutoff	Trials	# Passed	% Passed
Min Adjusted R-Squared	> 0.50	218	0	0.00
Max Coefficient p-value	< 0.05	218	133	61.01
Max VIF Value	< 7.50	218	176	80.73
Min Jarque-Bera p-value	> 0.10	218	0	0.00
Min Spatial Autocorrelation p-value	> 0.10	18	0	0.00

#### Summary of Variable Significance

Variable	% Significant	% Negative	% Positive
DEM_MEAN	100.00	100.00	0.00
HLI_MEAN	100.00	0.00	100.00
ASPECT_SH3_MEAN	100.00	100.00	0.00
CTI_MEAN	92.93	42.42	57.58
VRM_MEAN	85.86	60.61	39.39
ROUGHNESS_MEAN	81.82	31.31	68.69
PCTSLOWINFSH12	69.70	9.09	90.91
GEOMORPH_SH3_STD	56.57	48.48	51.52

#### Summary of Multicollinearity

Variable	VIF	Violations	Covariates
PCTSLOWINFSH12	1.20	0	-----
CTI_MEAN	2.65	0	-----
DEM_MEAN	2.01	0	-----
HLT_MEAN	1.32	0	-----
ASPECT_SH3_MEAN	1.26	0	-----
GEOMORPH_SH3_STD	1.18	0	-----
ROUGHNESS_MEAN	14.71	42	VRM_MEAN (97.67)
VRM_MEAN	17.23	42	ROUGHNESS_MEAN (97.67)

### Summary of Residual Normality (JB)

JB	AdjR2	AICc	K(BP)	VIF	SA	Model
0.000000	0.474708	9948.550039	0.000000	1.216772	0.000000	+PCTSLOWINFSH12*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** -GEOMORPH_SH3_STD***
0.000000	0.472455	9953.138958	0.000000	1.196375	0.000000	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** -GEOMORPH_SH3_STD***
0.000000	0.474123	9943.078104	0.000000	1.183929	0.000000	+PCTSLOWINFSH12*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN***

### Summary of Residual Spatial Autocorrelation (SA)

SA	AdjR2	AICc	JB	K(BP)	VIF	Model
0.000000	0.495540	9811.992116	0.000000	0.000000	2.168325	-CTI_MEAN*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.000000	0.494821	9816.517374	0.000000	0.000000	1.743373	+PCTSLOWINFSH12*** -DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***
0.000000	0.493185	9826.786263	0.000000	0.000000	1.740200	-DEM_MEAN*** +HLI_MEAN*** -ASPECT_SH3_MEAN*** -GEOMORPH_SH3_STD** +ROUGHNESS_MEAN***

### Table Abbreviations

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Model	Variable sign (+/-)
Model	Variable significance (* = 0.10; ** = 0.05; *** = 0.01)

Generalized Linear Regression assessment of soil and topography variables

Response variable: ephemeral catchment-dependent amphibian species richness

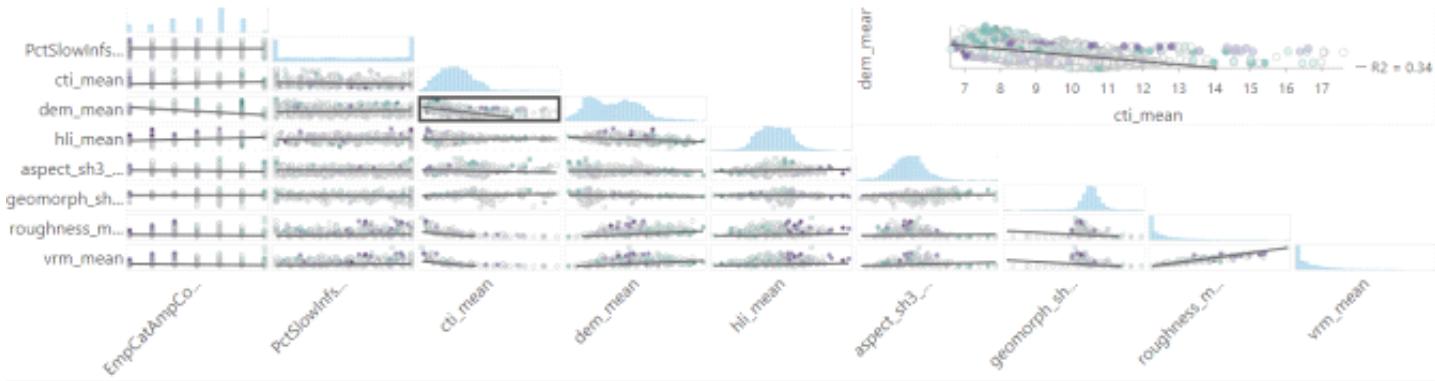
### Summary of GLR Results [Model Type: Continuous (Gaussian/OLS)]

Variable	Coefficient <sup>a</sup>	StdError	t-Statistic	Probability <sup>b</sup>	Robust_SE	Robust_t	Robust_Pr <sup>b</sup>	VIF <sup>c</sup>
Intercept	2.783571	0.842691	3.303192	0.000983*	1.010043	2.755893	0.005887*	-----
PCTSLOWINF5H12	0.001601	0.000604	2.652420	0.008027*	0.000590	2.712892	0.006705*	1.202592
CTI_MEAN	-0.116293	0.024253	-4.795001	0.000003*	0.023297	-4.991745	0.000001*	2.713782
DEM_MEAN	-0.002437	0.000065	-37.509284	0.000000*	0.000070	-34.587962	0.000000*	2.039322
HLI_MEAN	12.729785	0.869938	14.632983	0.000000*	1.098588	11.587405	0.000000*	1.320437
ASPECT_SH3_MEAN	-2.379449	0.185717	-12.812198	0.000000*	0.166560	-14.285860	0.000000*	1.263979
GEOMORPH_SH3_STD	-0.766106	0.477325	-1.604997	0.108608	0.342636	-2.235920	0.025410*	1.200782
ROUGHNESS_MEAN	0.020870	0.003248	6.425238	0.000000*	0.003920	5.324672	0.000000*	15.047998
VRM_MEAN	-135.292281	36.470496	-3.709634	0.000224*	41.213703	-3.282699	0.001056*	17.758709

### GLR Diagnostics

Input Features	HUC12sEphCatAmphs20250103		Dependent Variable	EMPCTAMPCount
Number of Observations	3177	Akaike's Information Criterion (AICc) <sup>d</sup>		9795.163993
Multiple R-Squared <sup>d</sup>	0.499945	Adjusted R-Squared <sup>d</sup>		0.498683
Joint F-Statistic <sup>e</sup>	395.913651	Prob(>#), (8,3168) degrees of freedom		0.000000*
Joint Wald Statistic <sup>e</sup>	3301.913563	Prob(>chi-squared), (8) degrees of freedom		0.000000*
Koenker (BP) Statistic <sup>f</sup>	350.502329	Prob(>chi-squared), (8) degrees of freedom		0.000000*
Jarque-Bera Statistic <sup>g</sup>	63.928502	Prob(>chi-squared), (2) degrees of freedom		0.000000*

### Relationships between Variables

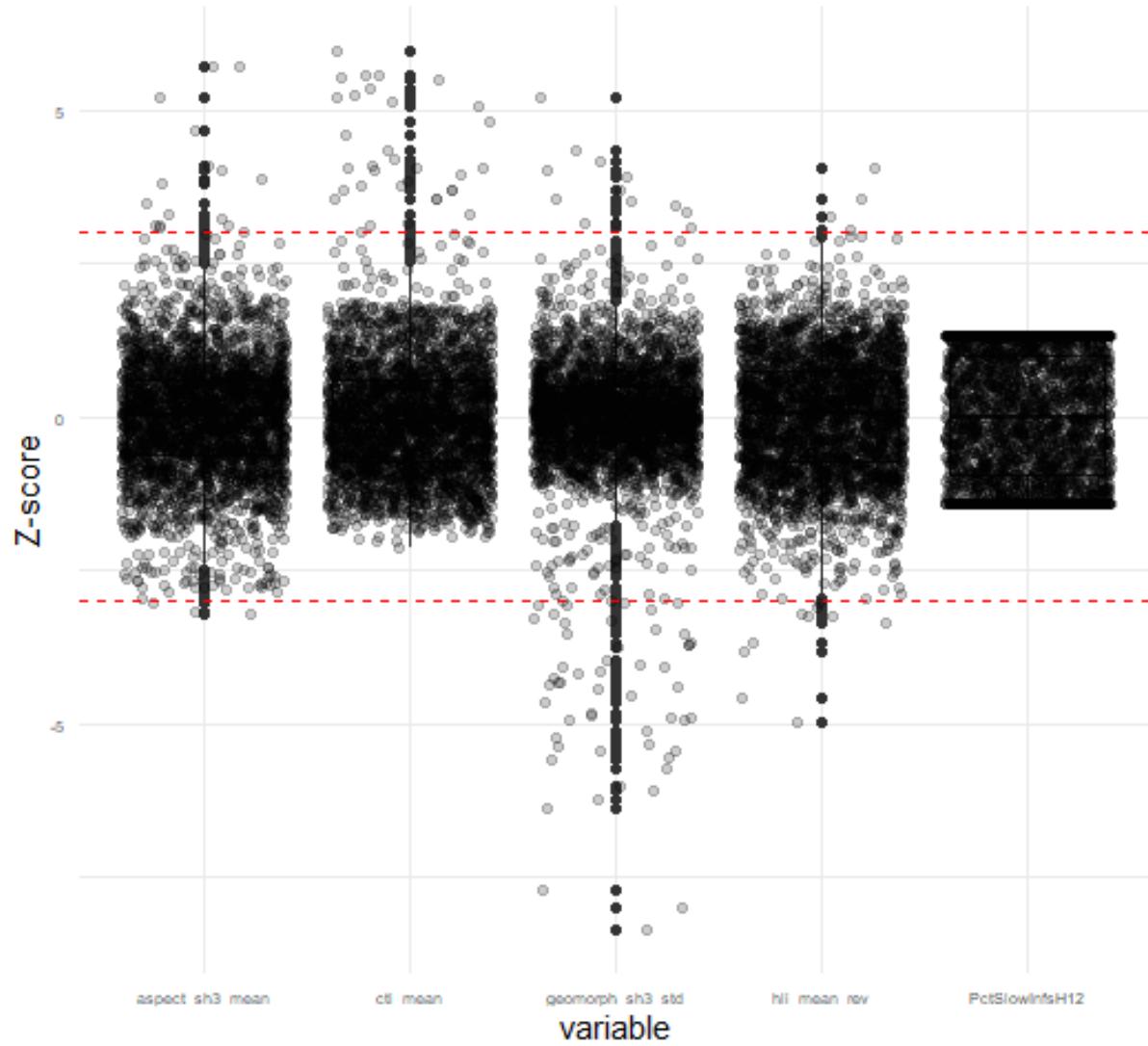


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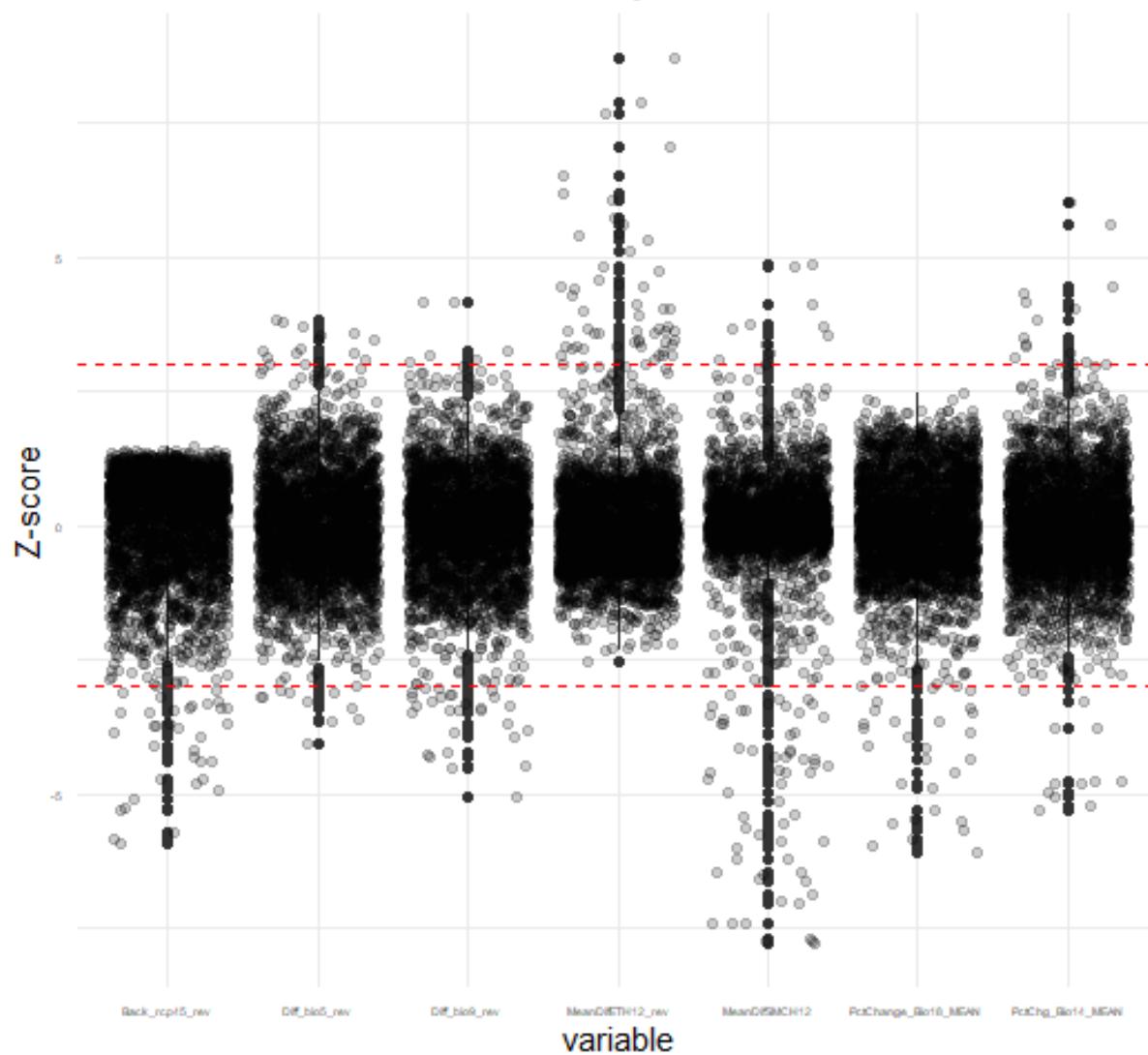
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Distribution of Z scores calculated for lithology, soil, and topography indicators of refugia for ephemeral catchments

## distribution of topo zscores by variable

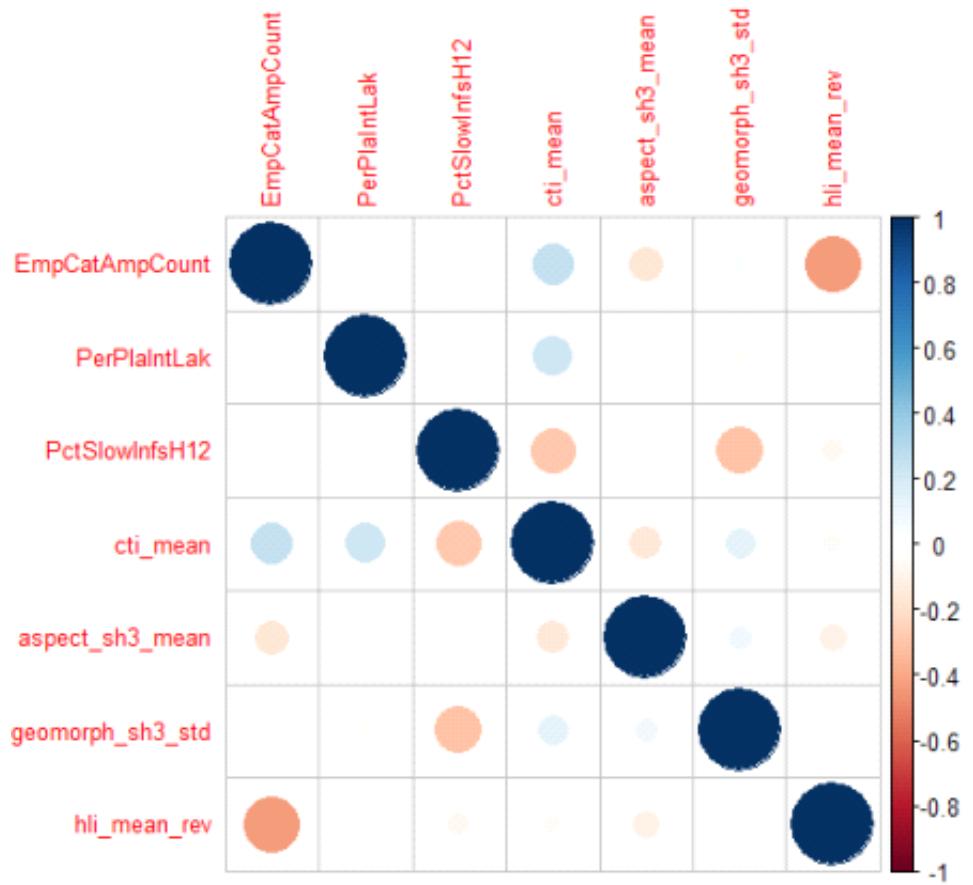


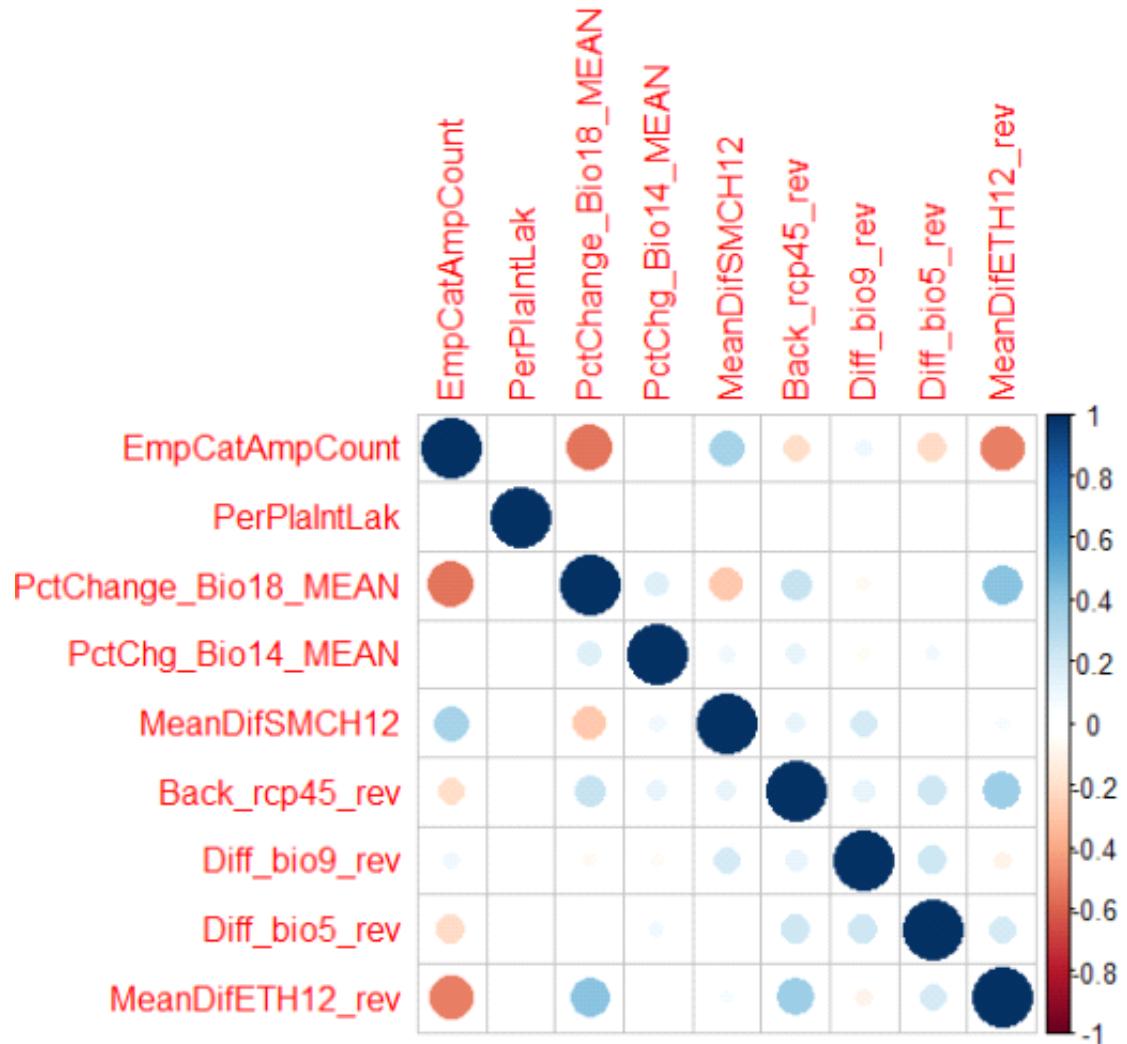
## distribution of climate zscores by variable



Distribution of Z scores calculated for climate indicators of refugia for ephemeral catchments

Pearson correlations among indicator Z scores





# Indicator Weights

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Weights calculated for lithology, soil, and topography indicators  
Weights and Z scores were multiplied and then summed to calculate a composite index for each HUC12 watershed.

## Optimization Parameters:

Number of variables: 5

Minimum weight: 0.05

Maximum weight: 0.3

## Initial weights check:

Min weight: 0.1252665

Max weight: 0.2186834

Sum of weights: 1

## Optimized Weights and Variable Characteristics:

	variable	weight	variance	mean_correlation	cv
PctSlowInfsH12	PctSlowInfsH12	0.1663874	0.25	1.0000000	0.0000000
ct1_mean	ct1_mean	0.3000000	1.00	0.8967737	0.4257952
aspect_sh3_mean	aspect_sh3_mean	0.1883041	0.50	0.2665578	0.4265768
geomorph_sh3_std	geomorph_sh3_std	0.2953086	0.00	0.7234611	1.0000000
hli_mean_rev	hli_mean_rev	0.0500000	0.25	0.0000000	0.2655391

## Weight Statistics:

Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
0.0500	0.1664	0.1883	0.2000	0.2953	0.3000

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## Weights calculated for climate indicators

Weights and Z scores were multiplied and then summed to calculate a composite index for each HUC12 watershed.

## Optimization Parameters:

Number of variables: 7

Minimum weight: 0.05

Maximum weight: 0.3

## Initial weights check:

Min weight: 0.07169999

Max weight: 0.1649569

Sum of weights: 1

## Optimized Weights and Variable Characteristics:

	variable	weight	variance	mean_correlation	cv
PctChange_Bio18_MEAN	PctChange_Bio18_MEAN	0.1293785	0.25	0.9890790	0.048481600
PctChg_B1014_MEAN	PctChg_B1014_MEAN	0.1376547	1.00	0.0000000	0.079618661
MeanDiffSMCH12	MeanDiffSMCH12	0.2395582	0.25	0.3135663	1.000000000
Back_rcp45_rev	Back_rcp45_rev	0.1363291	0.25	1.0000000	0.000000000
Diff_bio9_rev	Diff_bio9_rev	0.0500000	0.00	0.3221011	0.069091936
Diff_b105_rev	Diff_b105_rev	0.0500000	0.25	0.3133131	0.001463874
MeanDiffETH12_rev	MeanDiffETH12_rev	0.2570795	0.50	0.9498793	0.265094139

## Weight Statistics:

Min.	1st Qu.	Median	Mean	3rd Qu.	Max.
0.05000	0.08969	0.13633	0.14286	0.18861	0.25708

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