NERRS / SWMP

Data Analysis Workshop: Time Series

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Group Activity

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Objectives and agenda

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- Participants should be comfortable retrieving, organizing, and analyzing a SWMP dataset
- Understand the questions and use appropriate methods

Agenda

- Dataset description and questions
- Group activity

Hurricane Sandy

- Largest Altantic hurricane on record (by diameter)
- Second costliest US hurricane
- US landfall October 29th, 2012
- Cat 2 on landfall
- Rainfall exceeding 12 inches, 13 foot storm surge in some areas



Several NERRS reserves were impacted, landfall directly over Jacques Cousteau



We will look at the water quality, nutrients, and weather data for 2012 and 2013 for Jacques Cousteau - 'dataset4' folder

Overall question

How did the hurricane impact the reserve?

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How will you address these questions?

- What parameters or stations will you consider?
- How will you subset, combine, aggregate?
- What plots will you create?
- How will you interpret your results?

Resources - cookbook, SWMPr tutorial, instructors, your table buddies!



Questions??