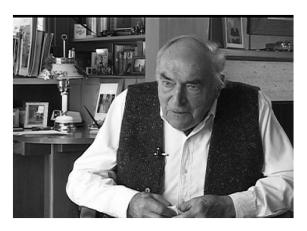
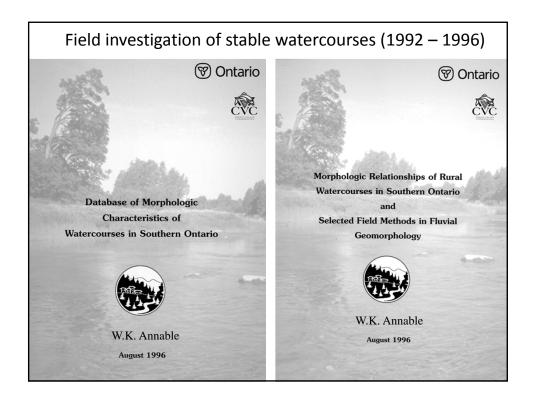
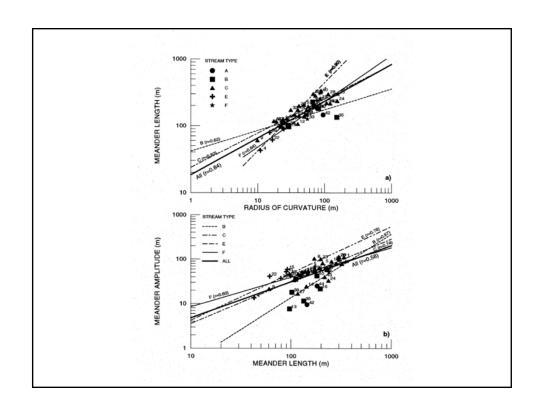
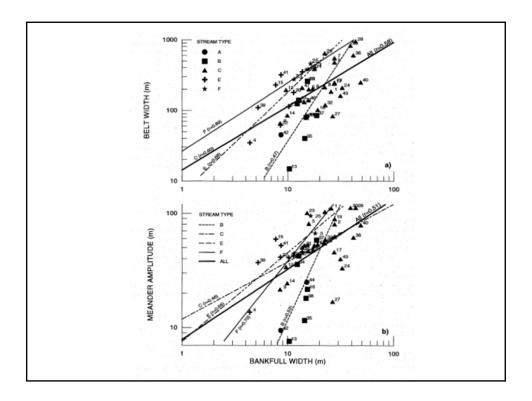


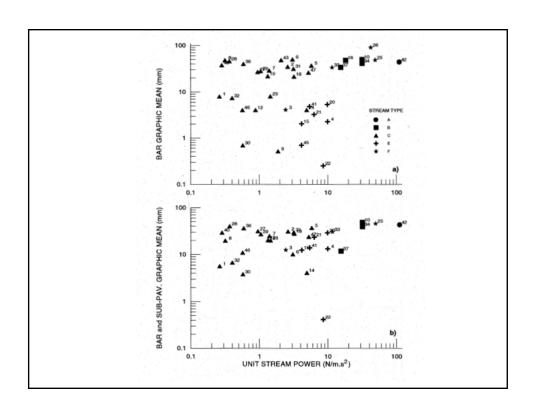
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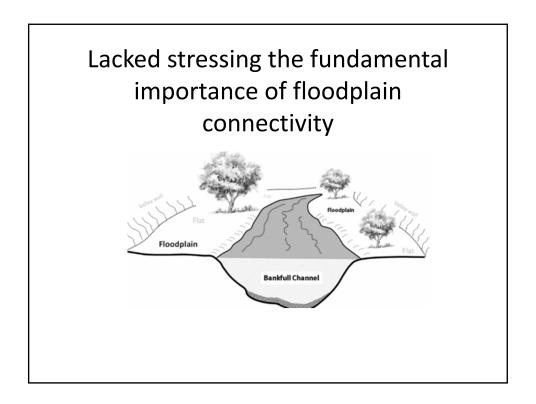


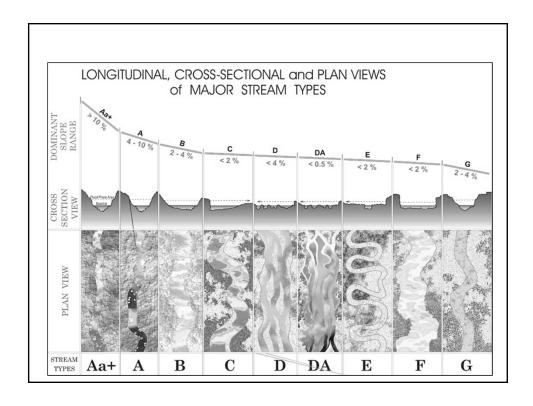












Other methods were also found to be applicable

- Hack (1957)
- Kellerhals, Church, Bray (1976)
- Schumm (1977)
- Mongomery & Buffington (1997)
- Parker (2007)
- Milner (2011)
- Others

Classifying observations and data into "classes" or taxonomies reduces error of conceptualization and interpretation of a given model

Communication tool between different communities of people/ interests to platform a common reference context

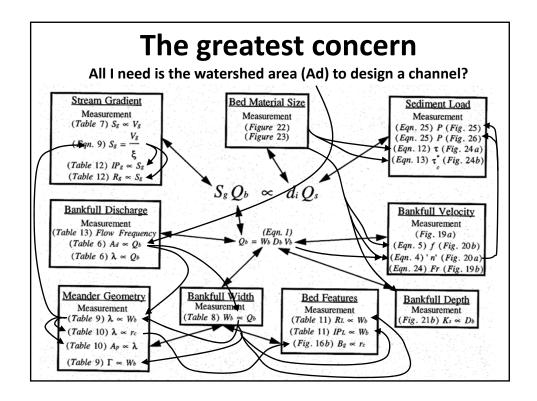
Misused or limited understanding and poor application of classifications or methods beyond their intended limits (or boundary conditions) is usually central to poor interpretations and analyses.

We should be adding to our collective tool box of knowledge (old and new tools). Not excluding some techniques over others out of prejudice or bias.

The more techniques we use, and find convergence upon the same range in answers, the stronger our assurances become that we may be closer to a reasonable answer.



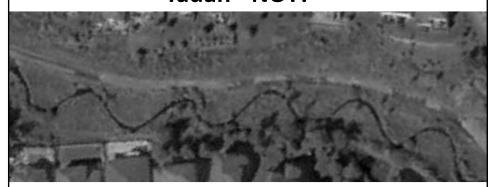






- This is not a wise design approach! It is not based upon sufficient knowledge of the valley characteristics, landuse, geology, hydrology and sediment transport.
- It might work but such an approach is more likely based upon luck than design knowledge. The best likely outcomes using this approach are those with channels less than 3m - 4m in width and where landuse change has not occurred nor is likely to occur in the foreseeable future.

Tadah - NOT!



- This was never the intention of the database or the relationship publications
- Many sleepless night occurred worry about people using the database and relationships in this regard.
- It should be used as a validation design tool to ensure a proposed design falls within the observed ranges of other studied rivers

What is difficult to substantiate:

Are designs without or limited data quantifying the current and stable conditions:

Regime relationships (and the like) are based upon observations of who is holding the yard stick (i.e. the observer, and the amount of experience they have) and are hydrophysiographically and landuse dependent

And...

The belief that taking a short course or two leaves people with the false impression that they are sufficiently experienced and qualified to undertake restoration projects Copyright: W.K. Annable



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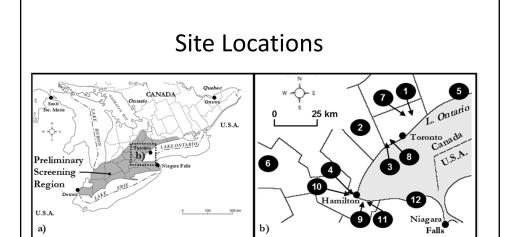
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* Approximately a population of 7,800,000 of the greater Toronto and surrounding areas

- Bankfull ≠ 1.5-yr recurrence interval
- Bankfull = 1.01 32 yr recurrence interval
- A maximum instantaneous annual series return analyses is not applicable in urban stream channels (i.e. non-stationarity).

This is not a new concept



Guidelines For Determining

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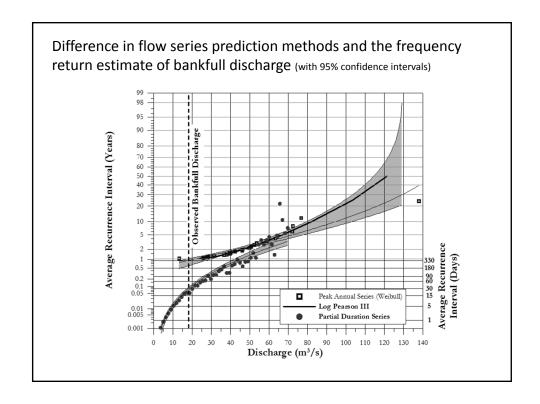
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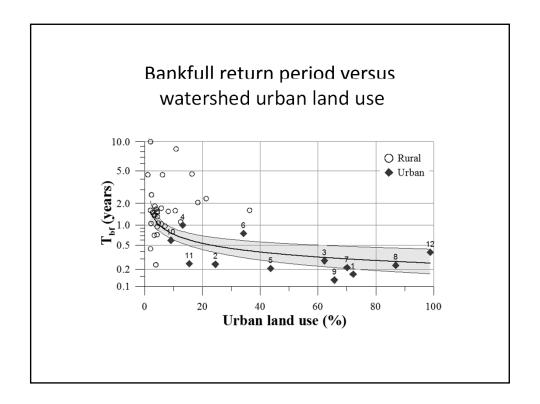
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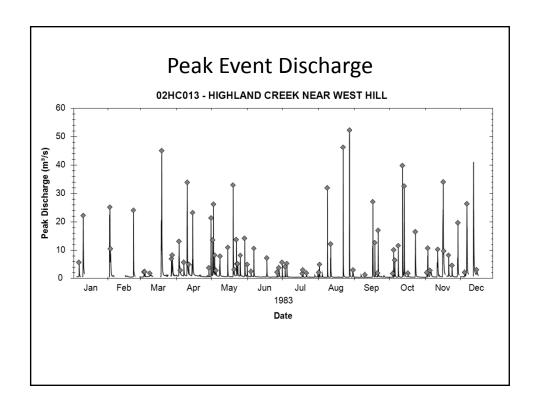
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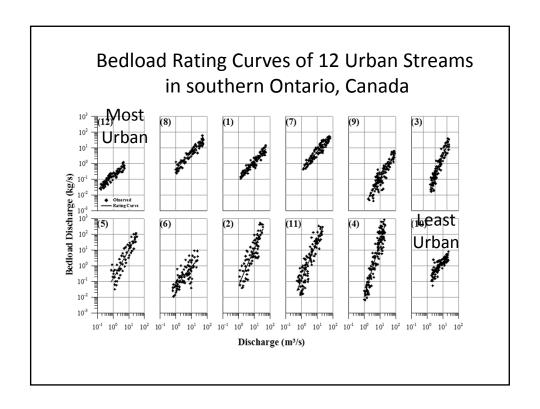
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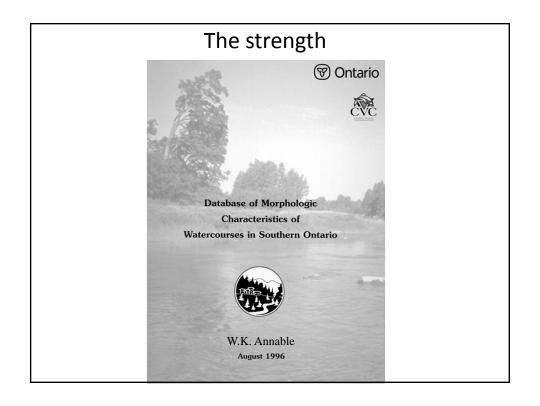
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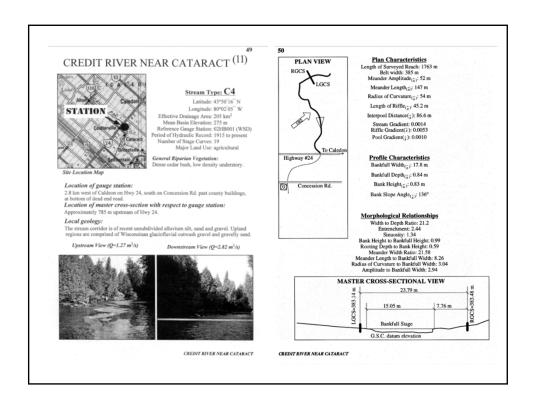


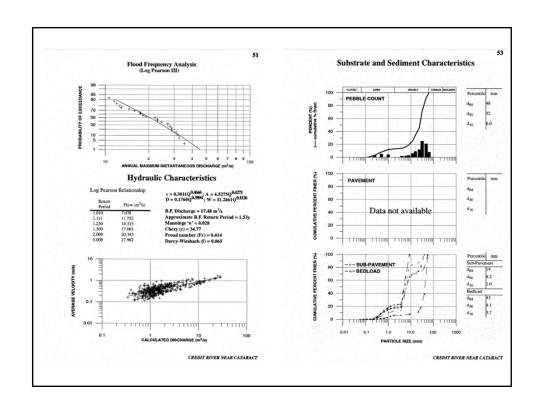


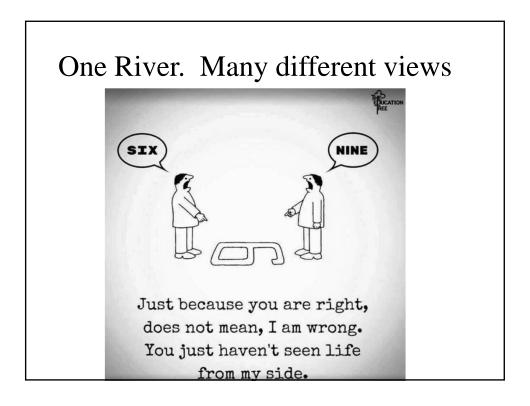














River Specialists



We have engineers-in-training programs in many countries. Why do we not have the same approach for river specialists?

Mentoring programs are essential to help develop strong and integrated understandings to junior specialists and dispel fact from myth and scientific folklore.

Also, to teach in-depth knowledge of the watersheds one works in, an appreciation for time and the duration which knowledge and data need to be collected over and to appreciate what the meaning of negative impacts are and their magnitude.

Questions?

