



Data, Modelling and Resilience

Development of the National Stormwater Modelling Guide

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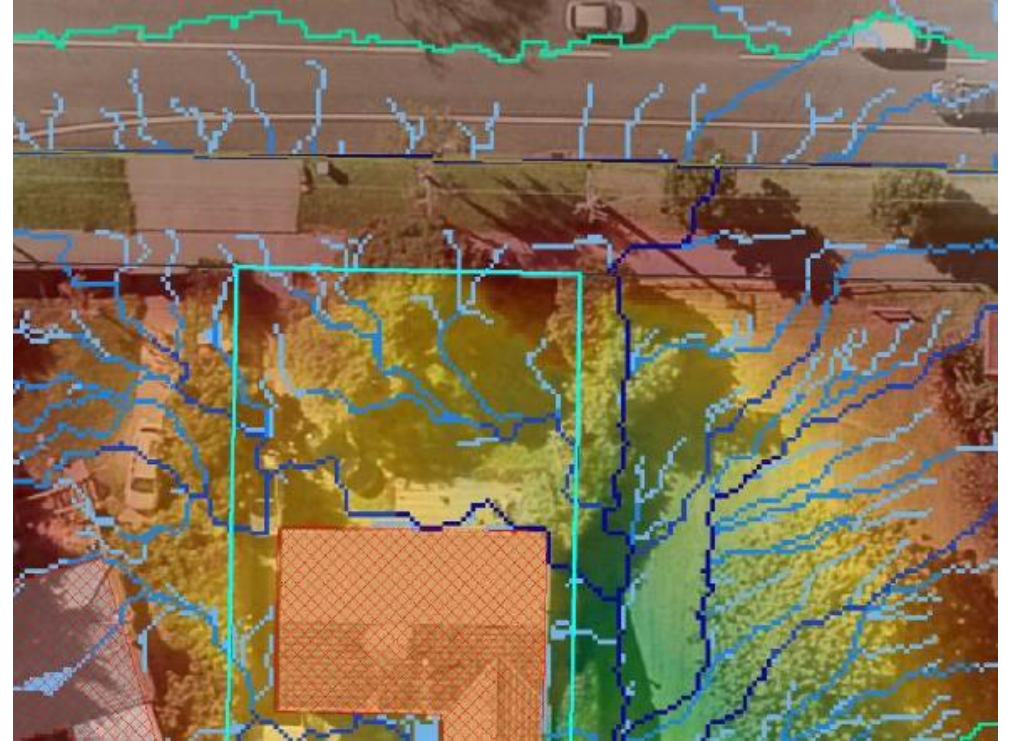
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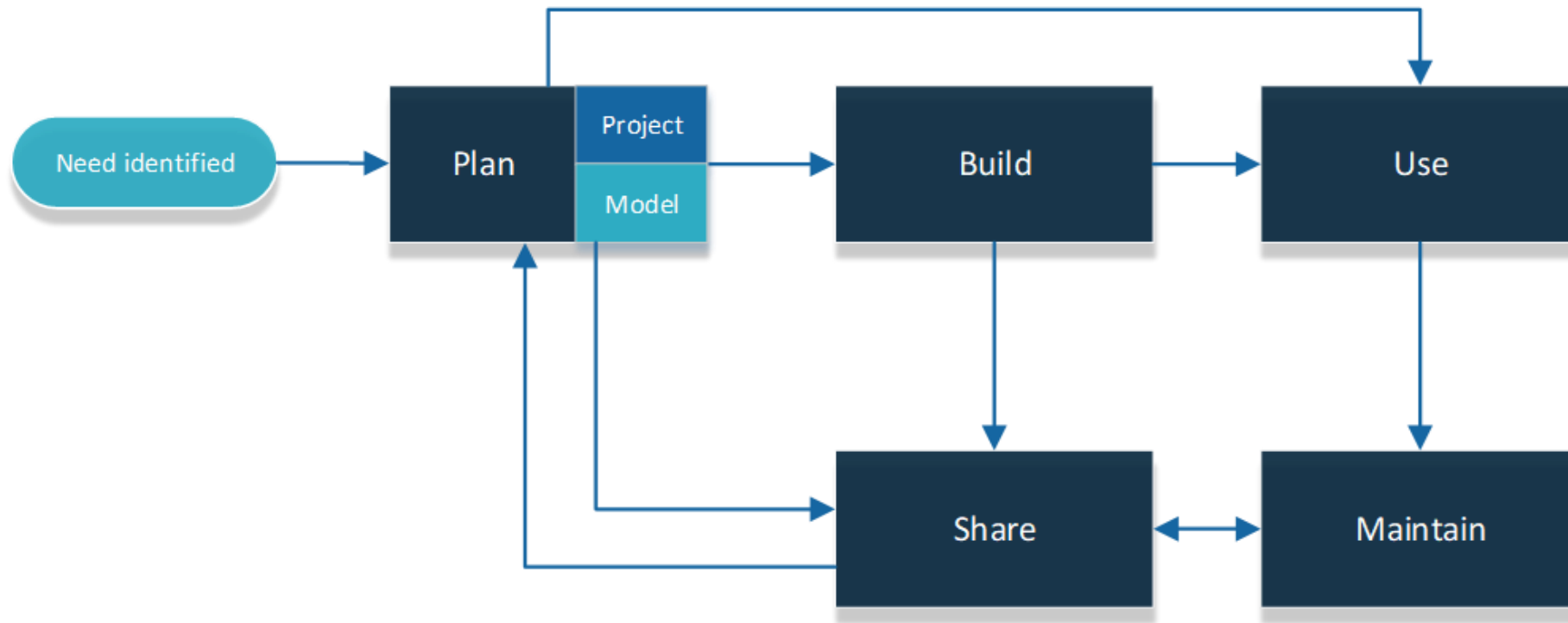
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- Water New Zealand – Conference and Expo - Workshop – October 2023
- Water New Zealand – Online Workshop – October 2023

Summary of guide



Summary of guide



Introduction: Guideline purpose and guiding principles



Plan – Project: Define model purpose, engage with stakeholders, review background information and plan quality assurance



Plan – Model: Define success criteria, identify phenomena, confirm approach & methodology, select software, set model management practices and commence data collection



Build - Prepare hydrological inputs, build hydraulic model, set boundary conditions, complete quality assurance, define limitations & assumptions, assess model confidence and prepare reporting



Use - Test and compare current and future scenarios by varying model boundary conditions, hydrology and hydraulics (including blockage assessment)

Summary of Guide



Maintain: Best practice approaches for archiving and updating model assets



Share: Managing intellectual property rights, metadata and data formats



Appendices:

Metadata Standard: Models and result files

Model Review Checklist: Basic checklist for reviewing models

Workshops – An effective tool for testing content and gaining buy-in

Early in project:

- What is needed in the guide?
- What is available now?
- What works well / not so well?

Middle of project:

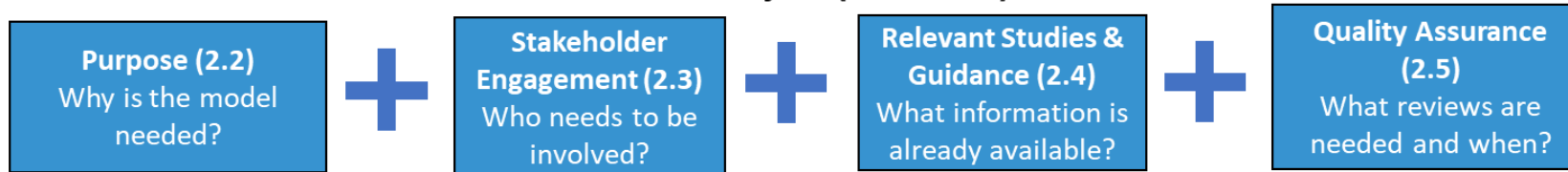
- Have we missed anything important?
- What are the key gaps in current guidance?
- Does the draft structure look OK?
- What format should the guide be delivered in?

Near end of project:

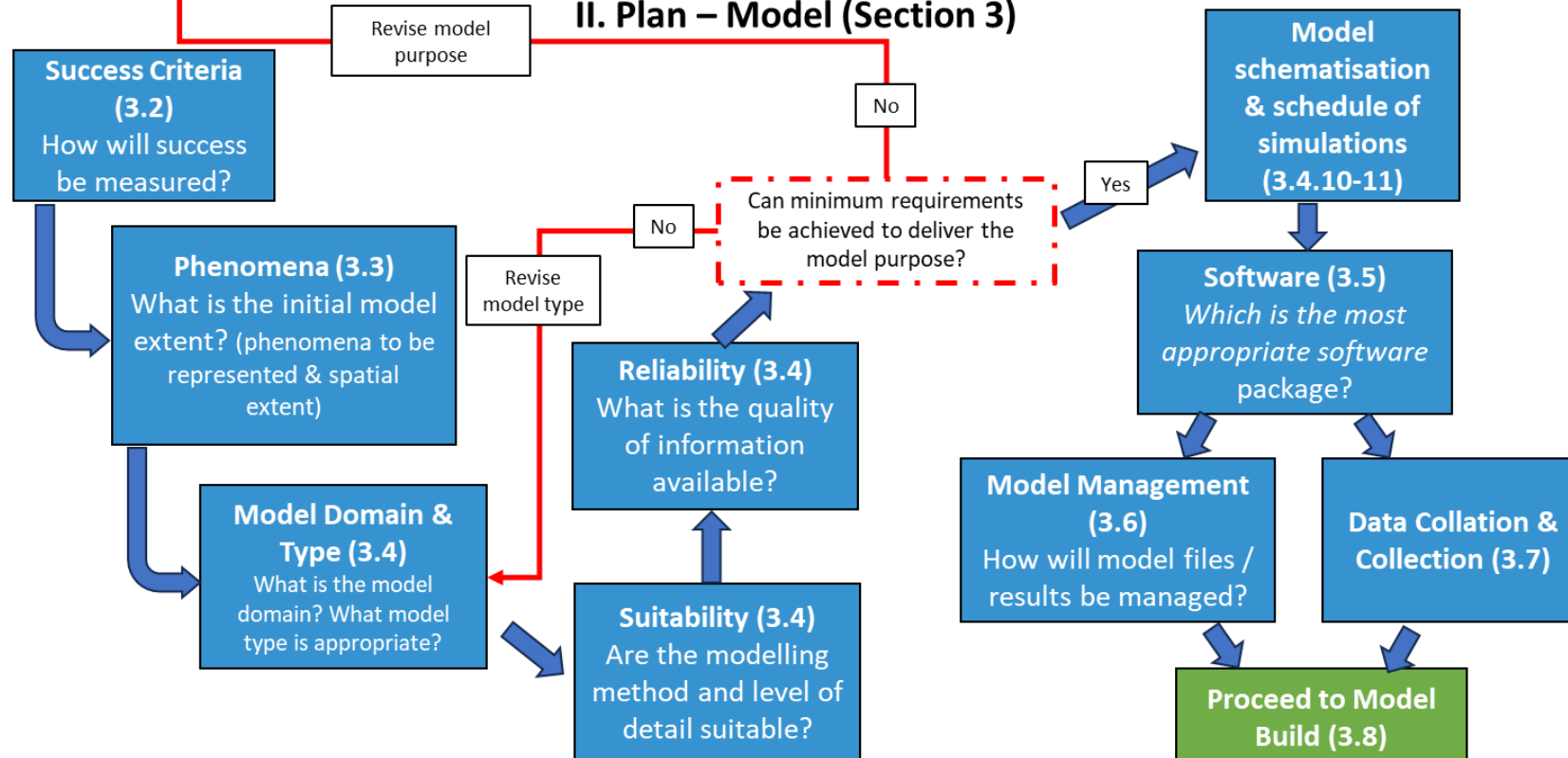
- Do these key concepts / content make sense?
- What are the barriers to achieving these things?

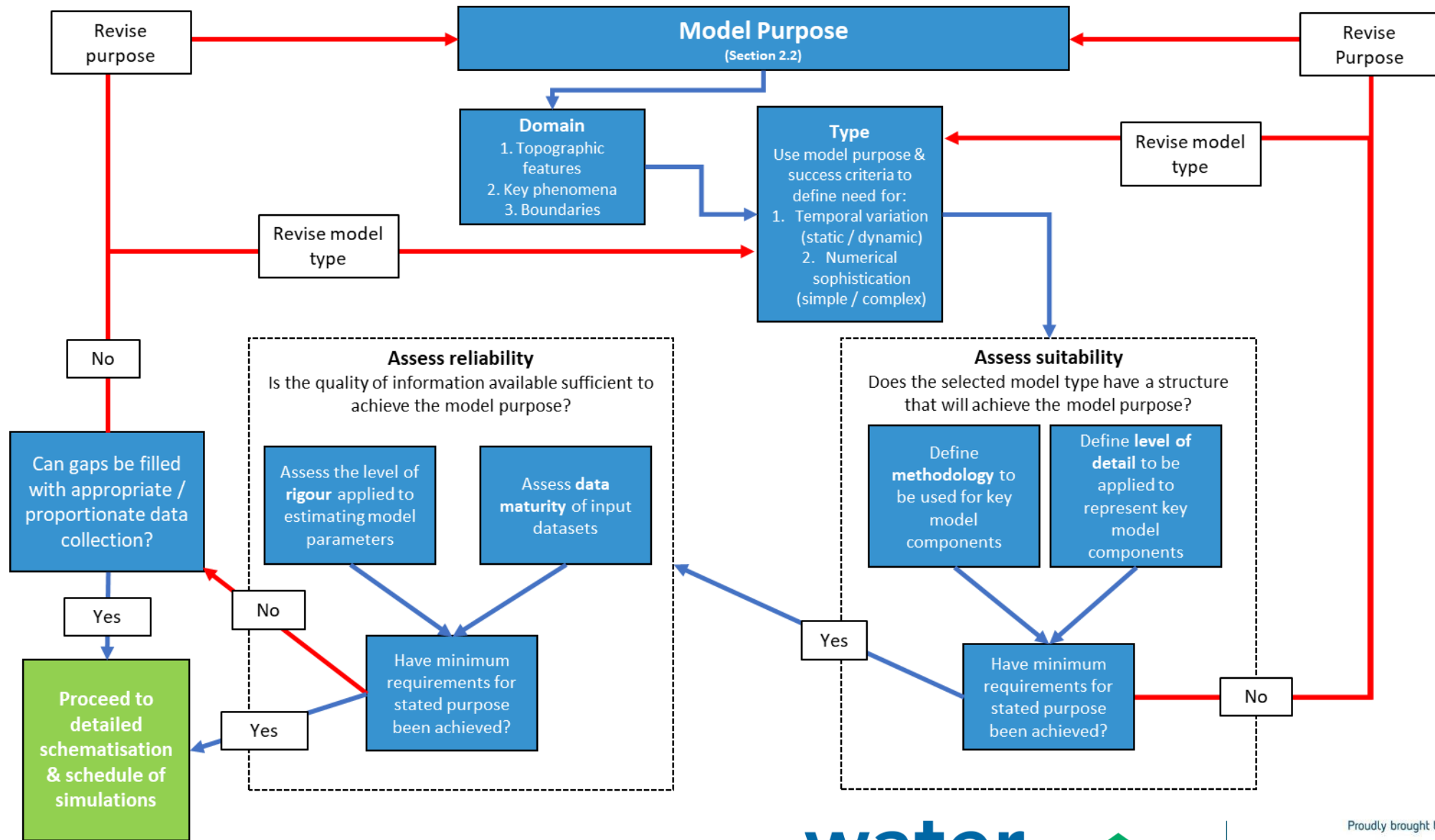
The importance of model planning...

I. Plan – Project (Section 2)



II. Plan – Model (Section 3)

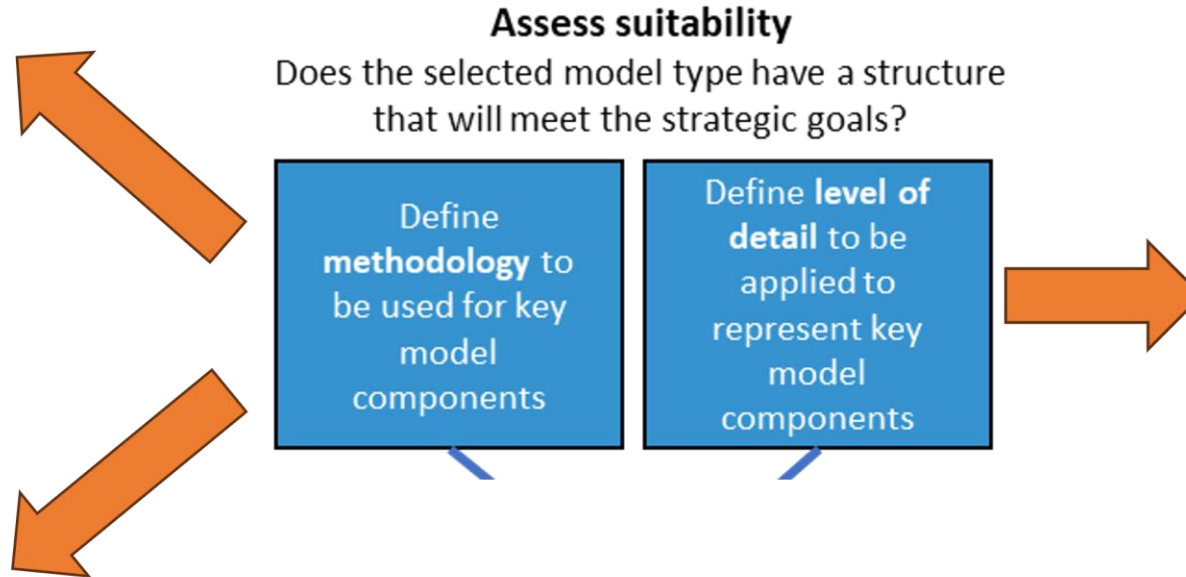




Model types and links with purpose

Component
Pipe network
2D surface
Open channels
Hydrological parameters
Upstream catchments

Term	Description
Excluded	Features are not represented explicitly.
Simple	Simple calculations or static analysis.
Data driven	Non-physics-based models.
Hydrological	Lumped hydrological model.
1D hydraulics	Free surface, St Venant hydrodynamic model.
2D hydraulics	Shallow-water-wave hydrodynamic model.
3D hydraulics	Navier-Stokes hydrodynamic model.

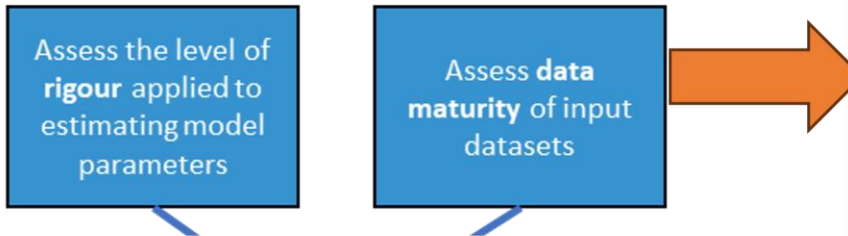


Term	Resolution	Description
Averaged	Low	Parameters estimated for entire domain.
	High	Parameters estimated at detailed level and averaged.
Grouped	Low	Parameters estimated for subdomains.
	High	Parameters estimated at detailed level and averaged for each subdomain.
Discrete	Low	Coarse resolution with respect to physical features.
	Medium	Resolution sufficient to resolve effects of features.
	High	At the resolution of the real-world features of interest.

Model types and links with purpose

Term	Description
Unconsidered	No effort is expended in representing features. Interpolated or default values are used.
Conceptual	No information is available so estimates are used, design requirements may be known.
Simple	Basic representation of features of interest, requirements are well-defined.
Detailed	Finely-resolved data for design is available but does not capture full detail of an as-built survey.
Detailed / mature	Mixture of as-built survey and designed geometry used in estimating parameters/geometry/behaviour.
Mature	Model parameters / geometry / behaviour is based on field survey (topographical, LiDAR, remote sensing/aerial photos, etc.).

Assess reliability
Is the quality of information available sufficient to meet the strategic goals?



Term	Description
Theoretical	Based solely on intuition of modeller.
Literature	Published methods or parameters.
Verified	Indirect corroborating evidence or data.
Validated	Sparse direct evidence based on historic event.
Calibrated	Comprehensive direct evidence based on historic events.

Model type	Details	Examples	Specific application	Model Component (Table 3-12)	Methodology (Table 3-13)	Level of detail (Table 3-14)	Rigour (Table 3-15)	Data maturity (Table 3-16)
Dynamic/simple	Models built using comprehensive datasets, such as LiDAR, with coarse assumptions used in the representation of hydrologic or hydraulic phenomena. To be used for developing approximate flood extents with some distinction between shallow and deep flooding for used in broadly identifying flood risks and impacts.	2D domain model with direct rainfall, excluding hydrological losses or pipe network. No editing of DEM to represent channel conveyance.	Evacuation planning. Lifeline planning.	Flood plain Large open channels Small open channels Upstream catchments Flood plain hydrology	2D hydraulics 2D hydraulics 2D hydraulics Hydrological Excluded	Distributed, low-resolution Averaged, low-resolution Averaged, low-resolution Lumped, low-resolution NA	Theoretical Literature Theoretical Verified NA	Mature Unconsidered Unconsidered Mature NA
		2D domain model with direct rainfall and hydrological losses, but no pipe network. DEM modified at significant structures on large open channels (culverts, bridges, etc.) to ensure flow continuity, if not accurate afflux.	Strategic planning. Programme prioritisation.	Flood plain Large open channels Small open channels Upstream catchments Flood plain hydrology	2D hydraulics 2D hydraulics 2D hydraulics Hydrological Hydrological	Distributed, low-resolution Lumped, low-resolution Lumped, low-resolution Lumped, low-resolution Lumped, low-resolution	Theoretical Literature Theoretical Verified Literature	Mature Simple Unconsidered Mature Unconsidered
		2D domain model with direct rainfall and hydrological losses, but no pipe network. Detail is added at significant structures on large open channels to determine accurate afflux. Soakage losses are incorporated into infiltration loss.	Spatial planning. District Plan development. Plan changes. Long Term Plan development. Multiple lot stormwater design with known existing risk (to site or downstream).	Flood plain Large open channels Small open channels Pipe network Upstream catchments Flood plain hydrology	2D hydraulics 1D hydraulics 2D hydraulics 1D hydraulics Hydrological Hydrological	Distributed-medium-resolution Lumped, high-resolution Lumped, low-resolution Distributed, low-resolution Lumped, low-resolution Distributed, low-resolution	Literature Literature Theoretical Theoretical Validated Literature	Mature Mature Conceptual Detailed Mature Detailed / mature

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	Lifeline planning.	Large open channels	2D hydraulics	Averaged, low-resolution	Literature	Unconsidered
		Small open channels	2D hydraulics	Averaged, low-resolution	Theoretical	Unconsidered
		Upstream catchments	Hydrological	Lumped, low-resolution	Verified	Mature
		Flood plain hydrology	Excluded	NA	NA	NA

Accessibility - Guide or Specification?

Level of detail

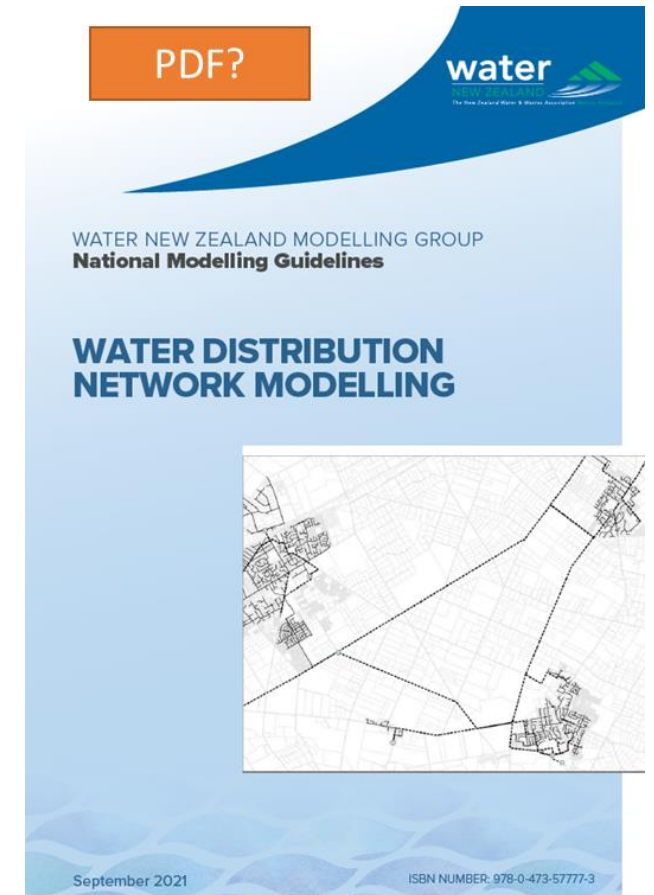
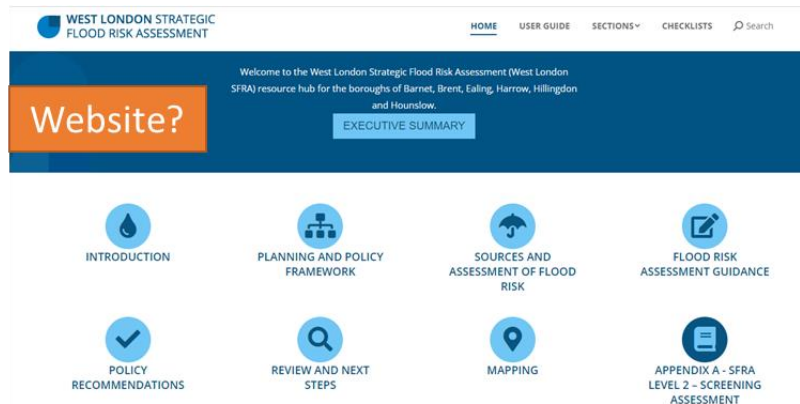
- Detailed enough to be useful to expert & non-expert audiences....
- But not so detailed it becomes difficult to apply at a local scale....

Format

- PDF
- Website
- Both?!

Keeping it relevant

- Ease of update
- Enabling innovation



Next Steps

In scope:

- Publish – Any day now!

Out of scope:

- Update & maintain guide – WaterNZ with support of SIGs?
- National rainfall / runoff guidance
- Address issues around inconsistent language and poor understanding of common technical terms



Next Steps

Out of scope:

- Determine the need for developing national water quality modelling guidance
- Develop a framework for training and recognising professionals
- Definition and interpretation of flood hazard based



Thank you!
Questions? Patai?