

Impacts of Climate Change on Flash floods in Tordera catchment, Catalonia

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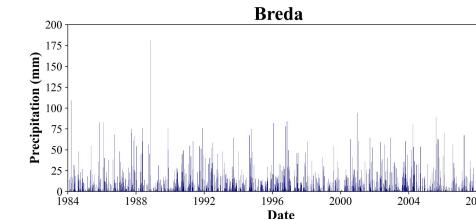
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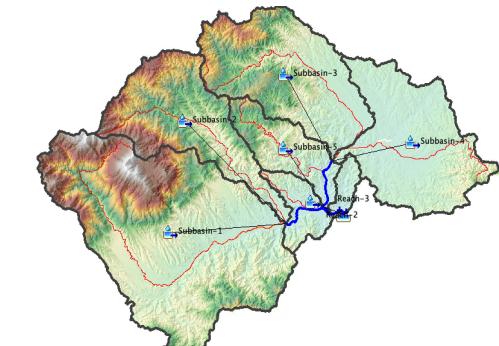
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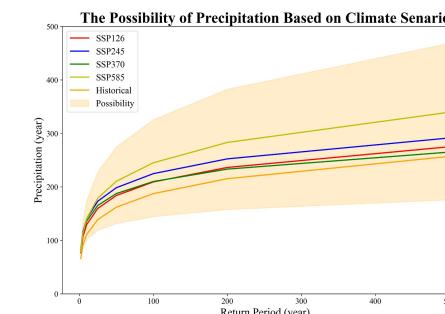
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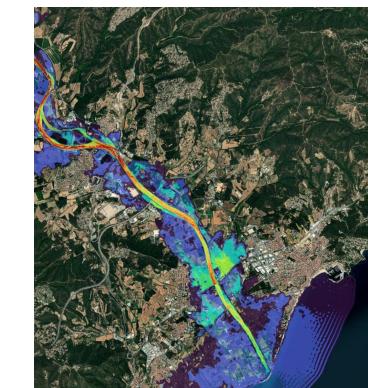
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CLIMATE ANALYSIS

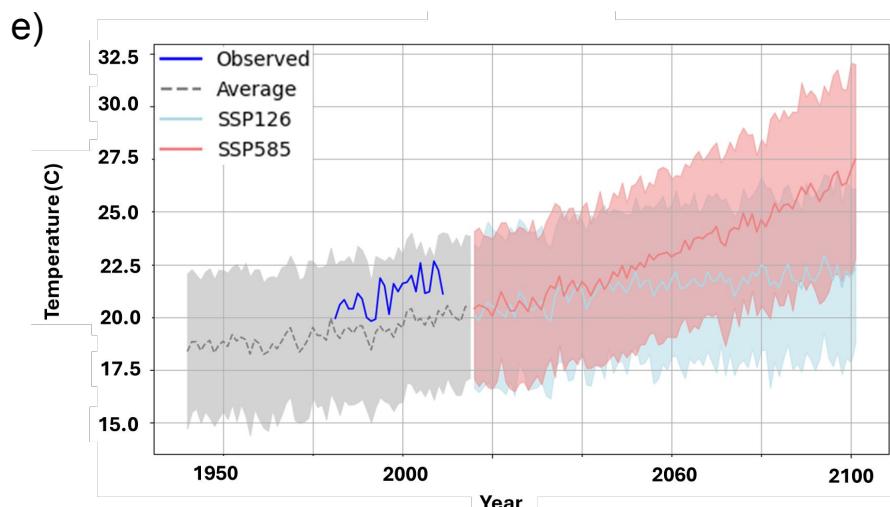
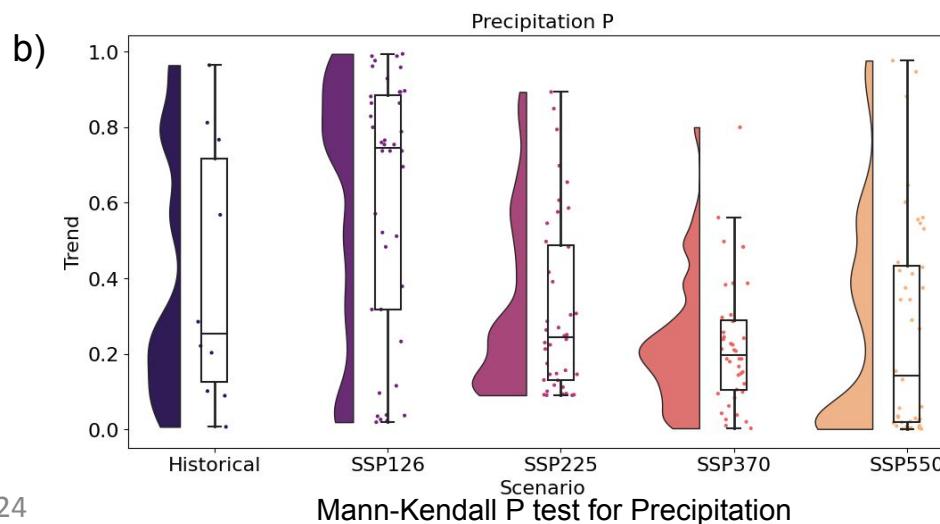
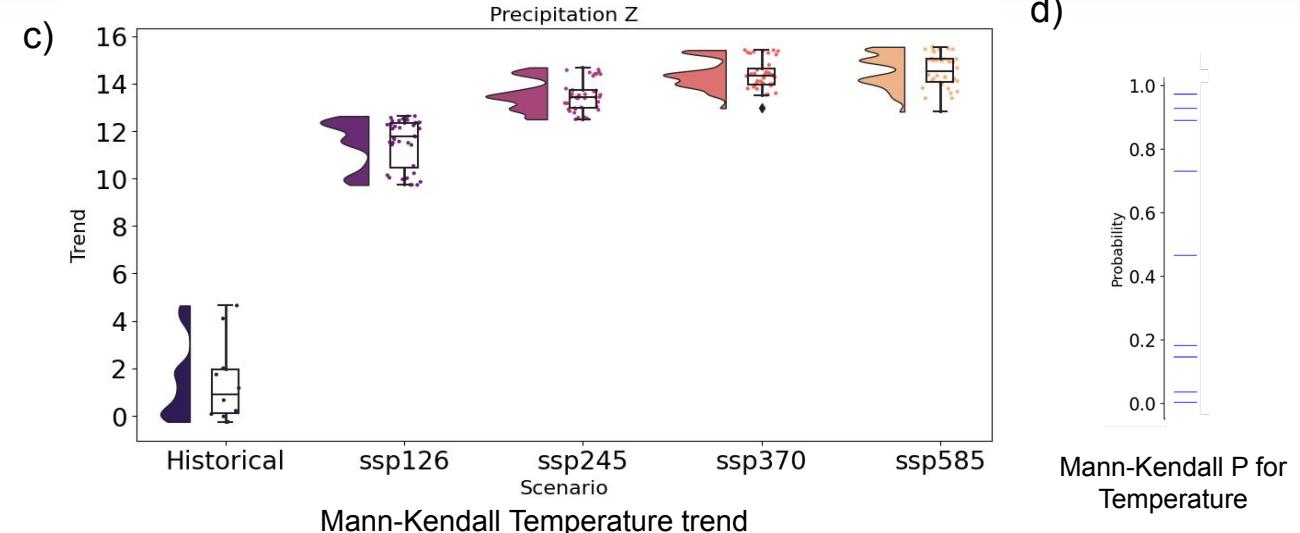
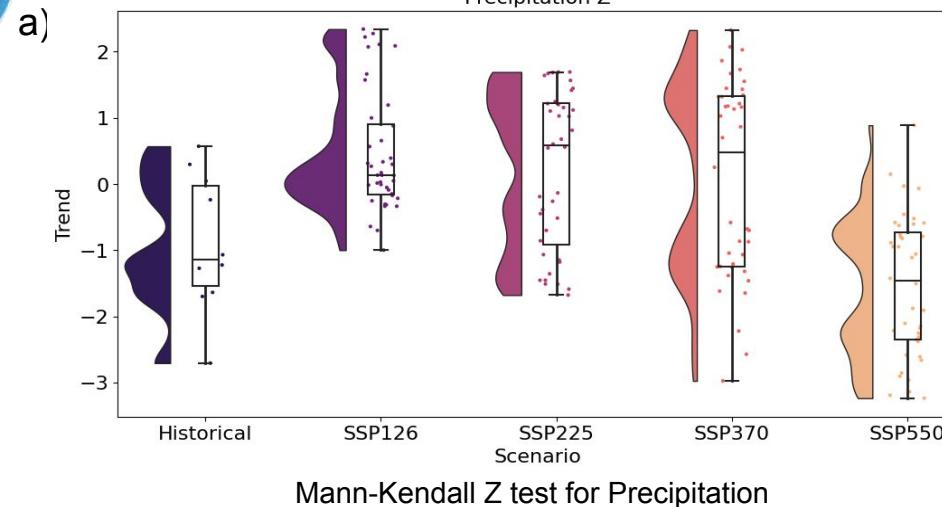
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HYDROLOGICAL MODEL RESULTS

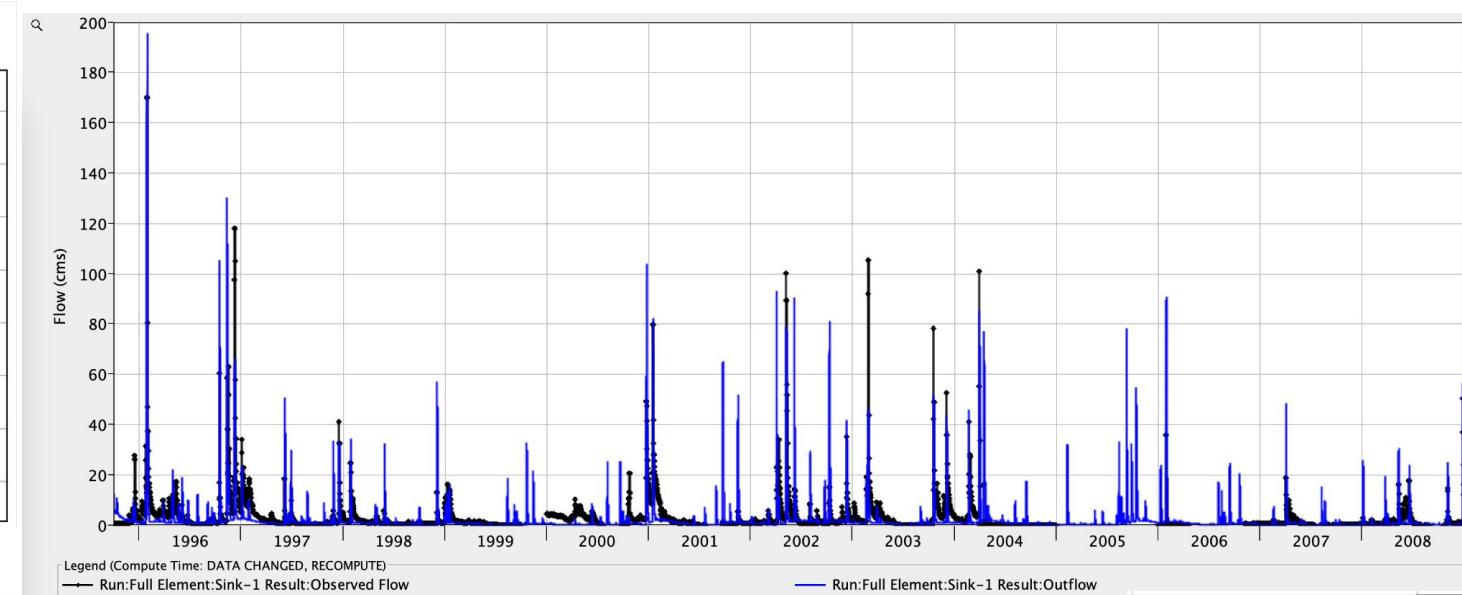
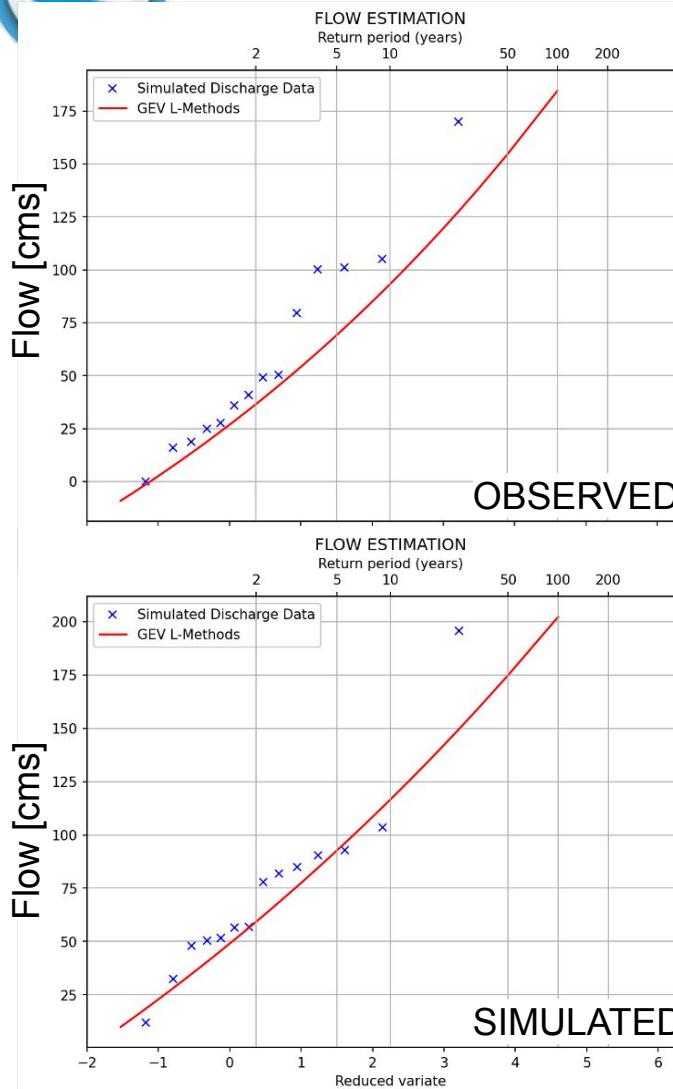
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Hydrological Model Calibration and Validation



Discharge (cms)	Observed	Simulated
T100	183	202
T500	264	271

Return Periods calculated with 13 years of data*

	Calibration	Validation
Period Simulated	1996 - 1997	2002 - 2004
Nash-Sutcliffe	0.238	0.17
Volume Simulated [ML]	327,832	327,832
Volume Observed [ML]	338,799	340,551
Volume Variation	3.24%	3.73%

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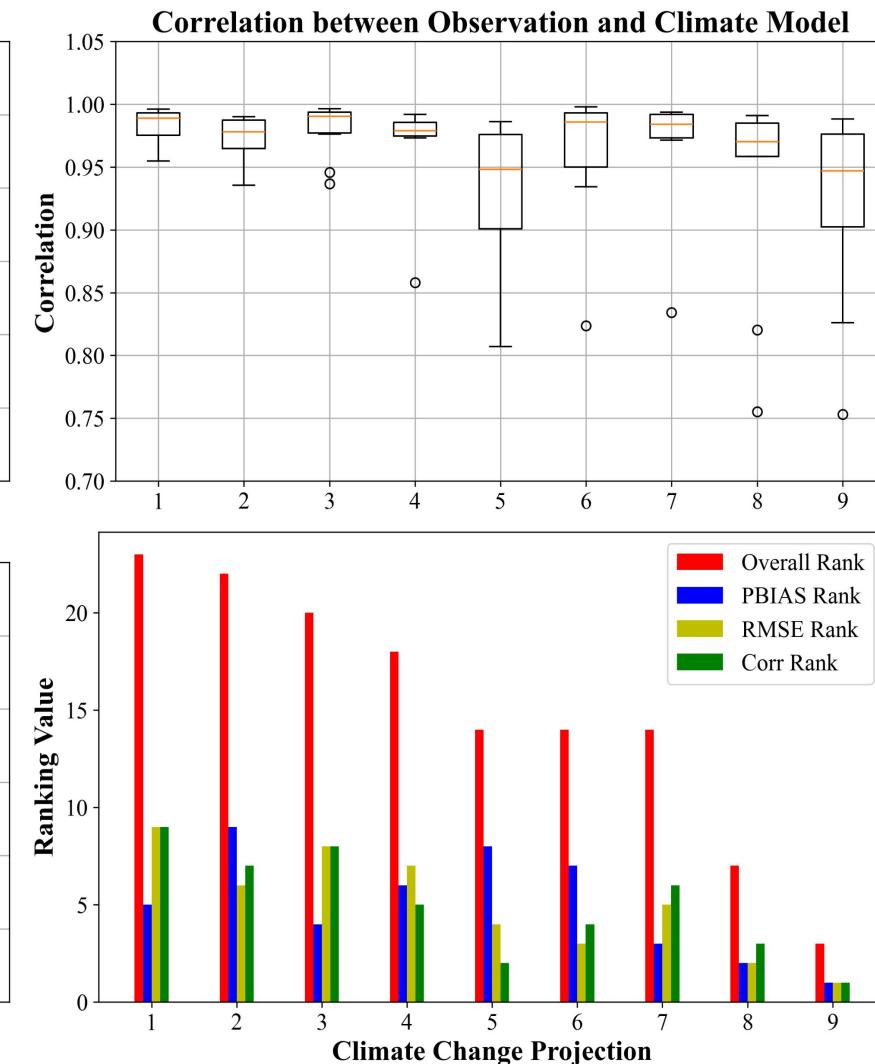
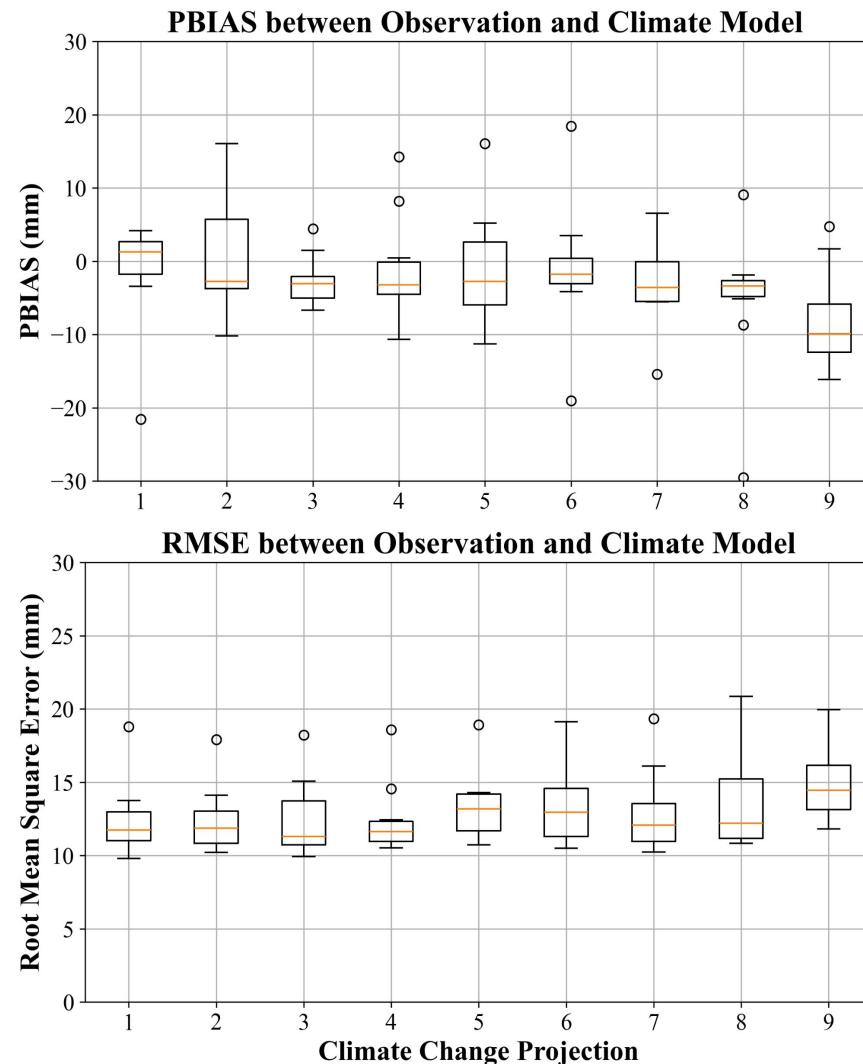


Climate change projection analysis

Projection choice

No.	Climate Change Projection
1	BCC-CSM2-MR
2	EC-EARTH3
3	CNRM-ESM2-1
4	MRI-ESM2-0
5	MPI-ESM1-2-HR
6	ACCESS-CM2
7	CMCC-ESM2
8	CanESM5
9	NorESM2-MM

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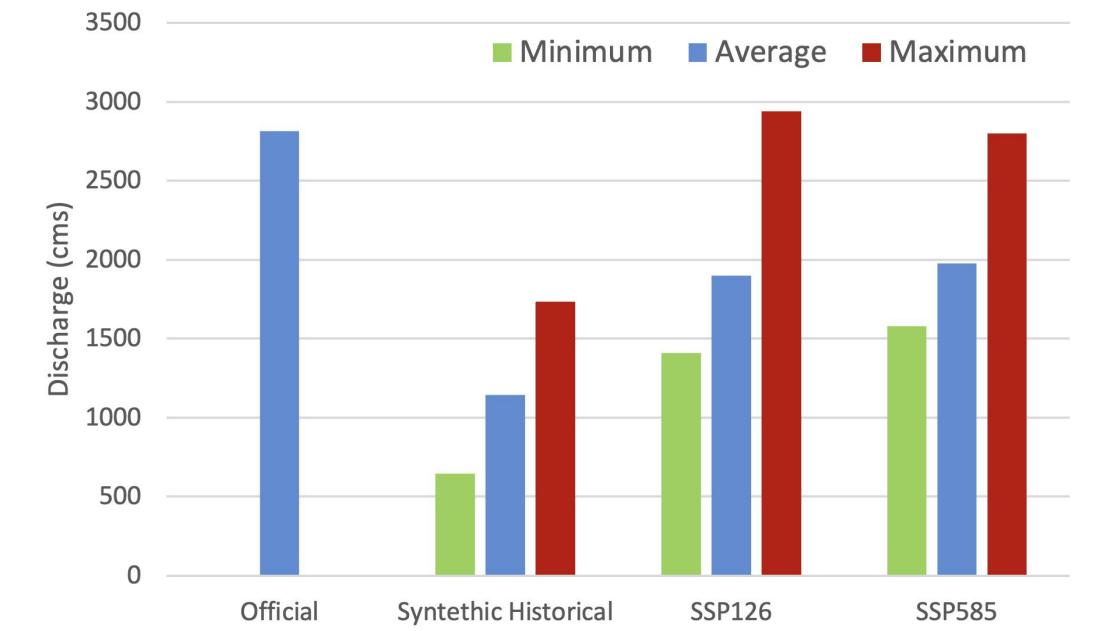


Hydrological model

4 CCP models in HEC-HMS for SSP126 and SSP585

Results :

Discharge for T =500 years (m ³ /s)	Average	Minimum	Maximum
Official	2815		
Synthetic Historical	1142	647	1732
SSP126_HMS	1900	1410	2940
SSP585_HMS	1977	1577	2800





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Model Setup, Data meshing and interpolation



Legend

- Urban with $K = 70$
- Semi-urban with $K = 40$
- Water with $K = 50$
- Agriculture with $K = 30$
- Forest with $K = 10$

Legend

- Discharge gauge

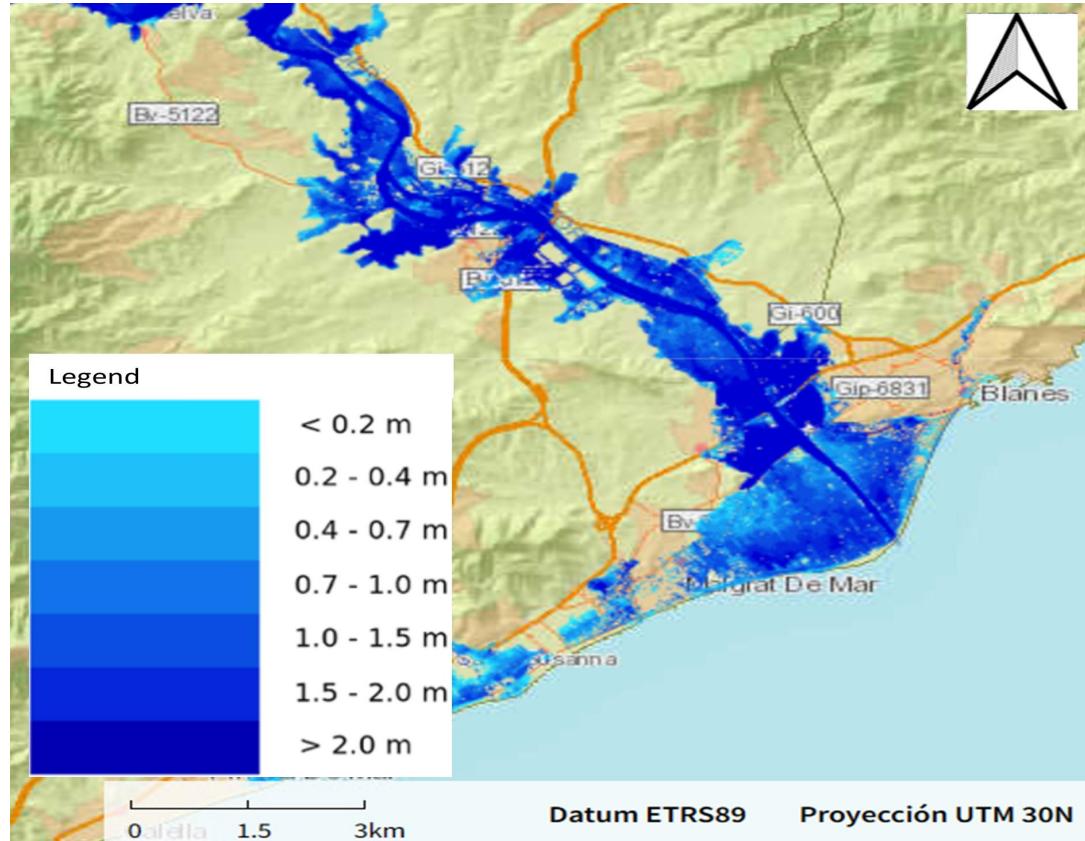
DEM

Legend

	Mesh size 50 m
	Mesh size 30 m
	Mesh size 10 m
	Bridge pier Tordera

Model calibration using the flow rate obtained from the website

$Q = 2815 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$ $T = 500 \text{ years}$

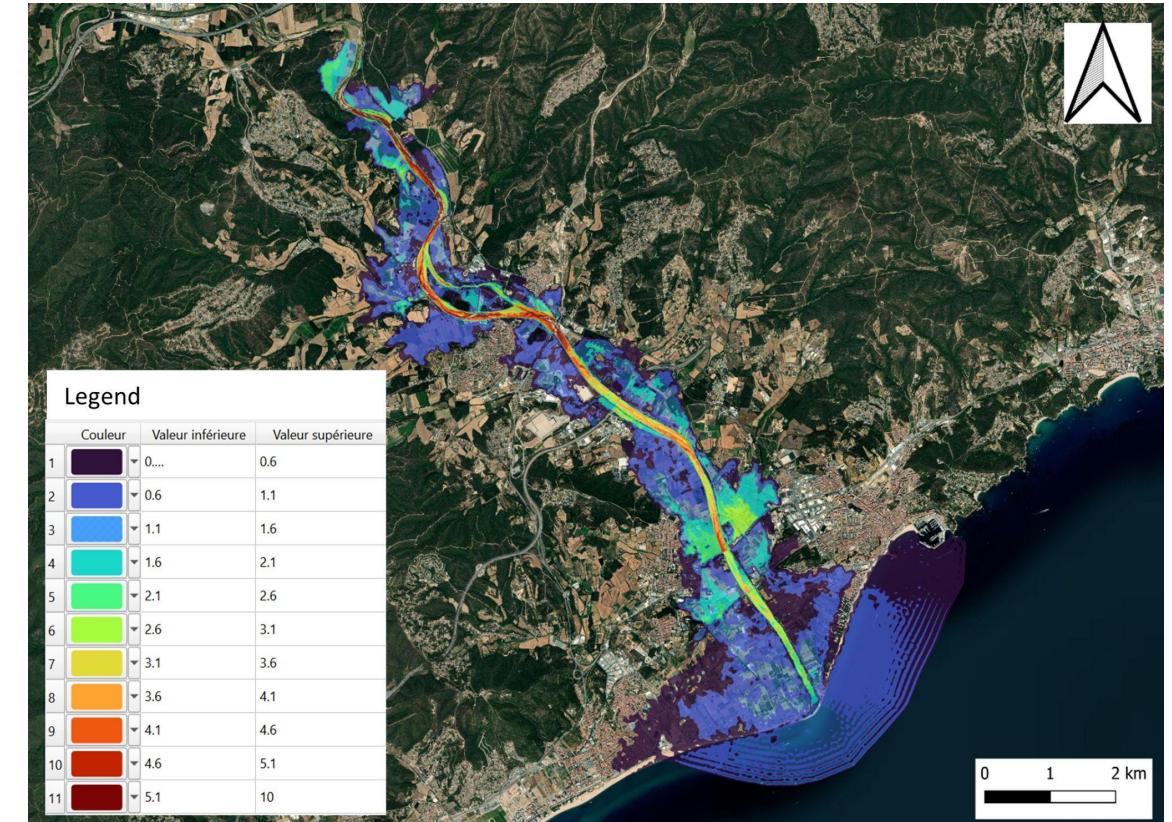


Flood map obtained from government website for $T=500$ (HEC-RAS 2D)

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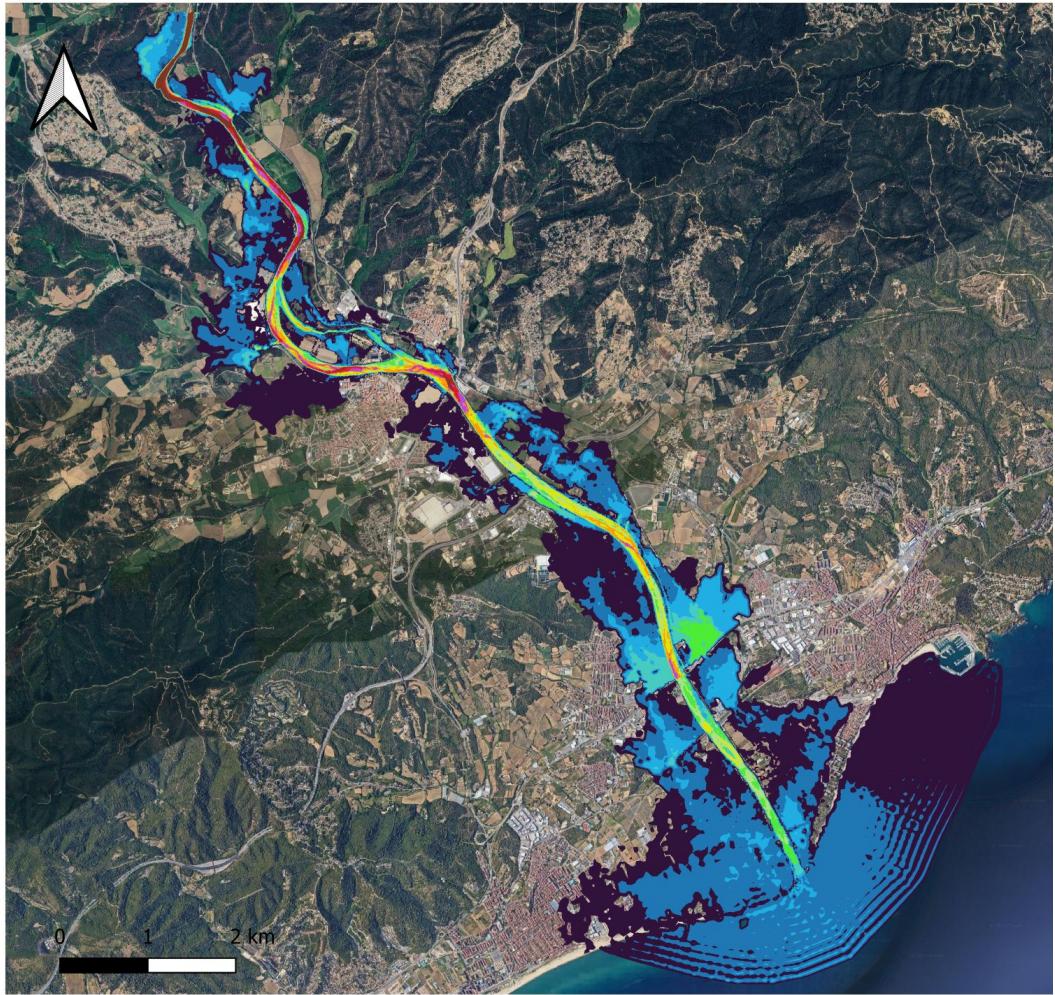


Flood map simulated with observed discharge for $T=500$ (Telemac 2D)

Simulation of average return period for SSP 126 & SSP 585



Flood map showing water depth for SSP 126 (Q= 1900m³/s)

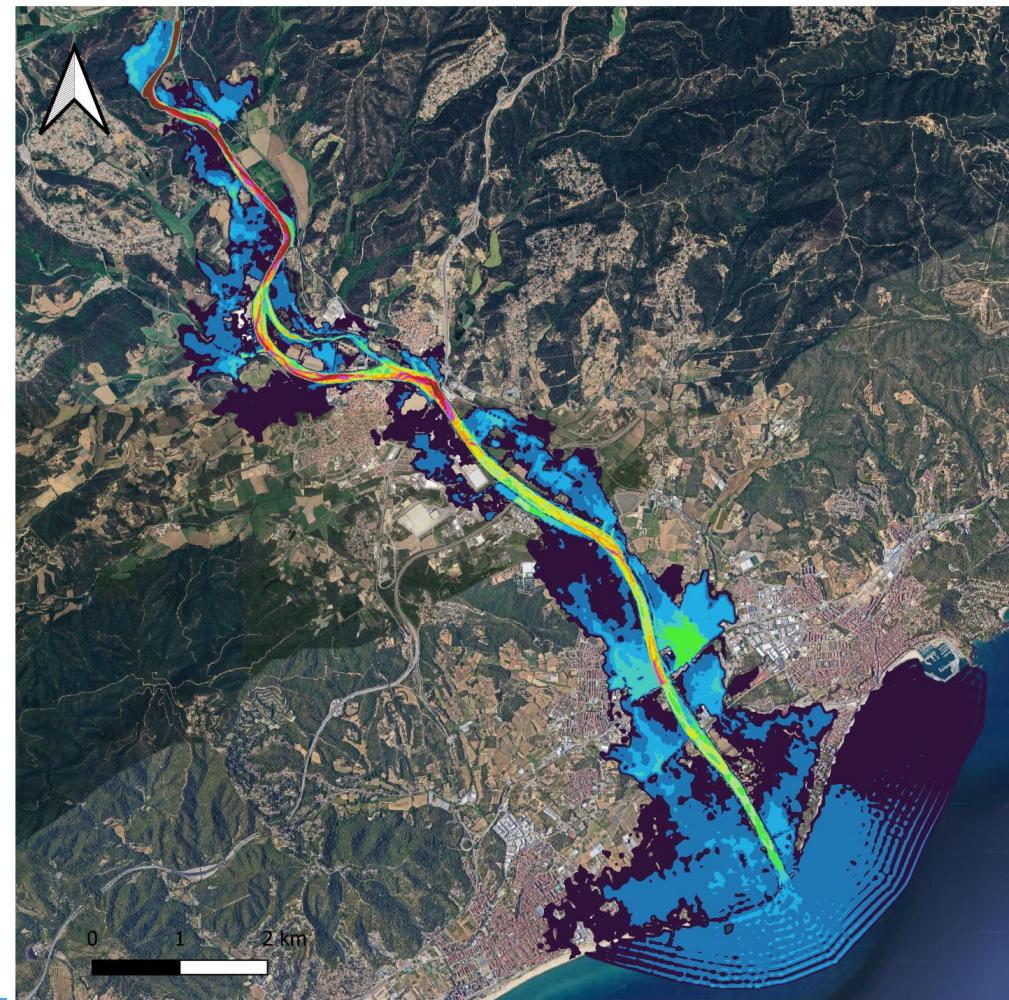


Legend

Couleur	Valeur inférieure	Valeur supérieure
1	0.1	0.6
2	0.6	1.1
3	1.1	1.6
4	1.6	2.1
5	2.1	2.6
6	2.6	3.1
7	3.1	3.6
8	3.6	4.1
9	4.1	4.6
10	4.6	5.1
11	5.1	10.0

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Flood map showing water depth for SSP 585 (Q= 1977m³/s)



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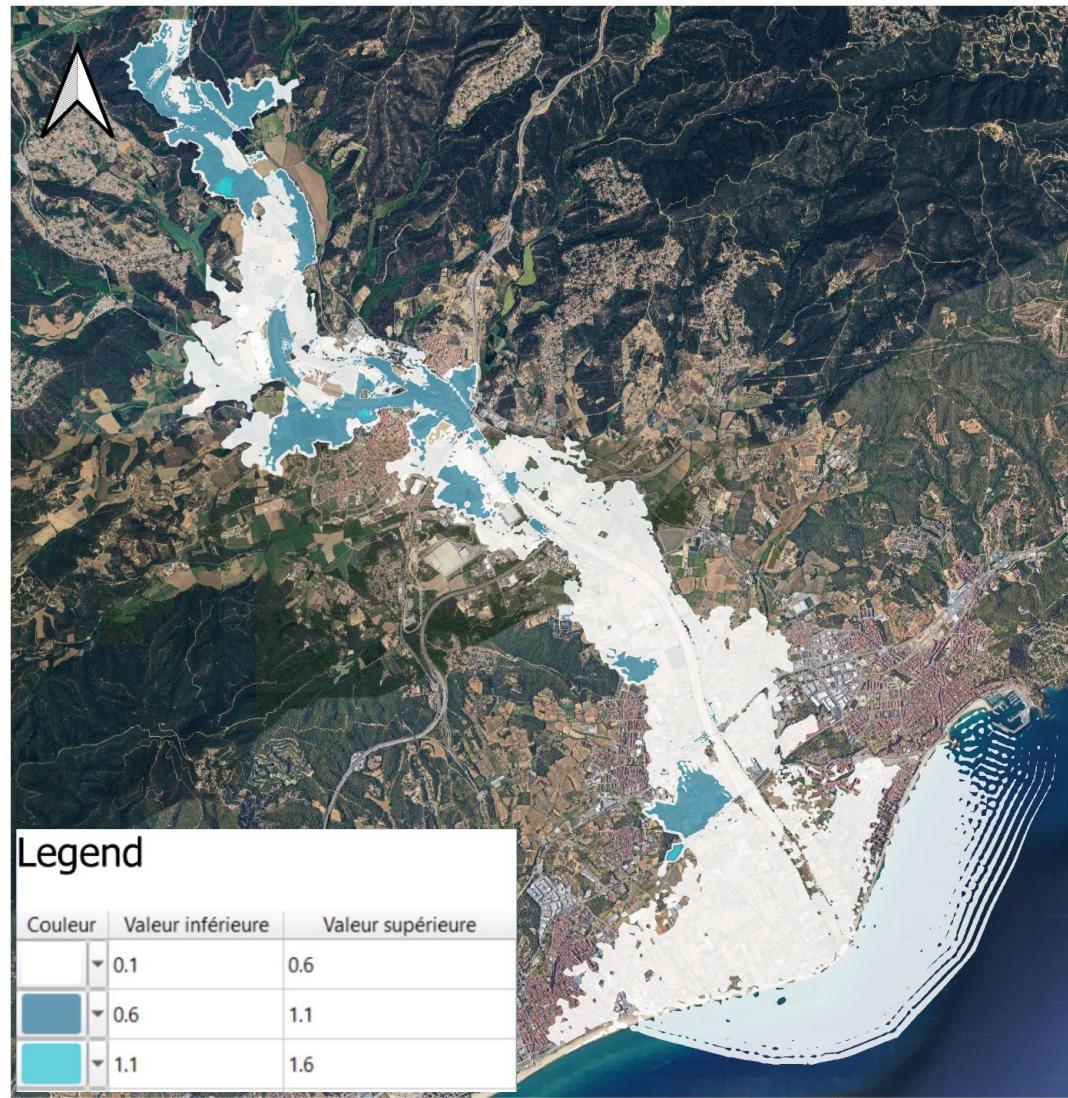


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Comparison between Official T₅₀₀ discharge and SSP 126 results



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Map representing the difference in water level between the official and the SSP126 Return Period (T500)

Changes in water level are up to 1.6 meters

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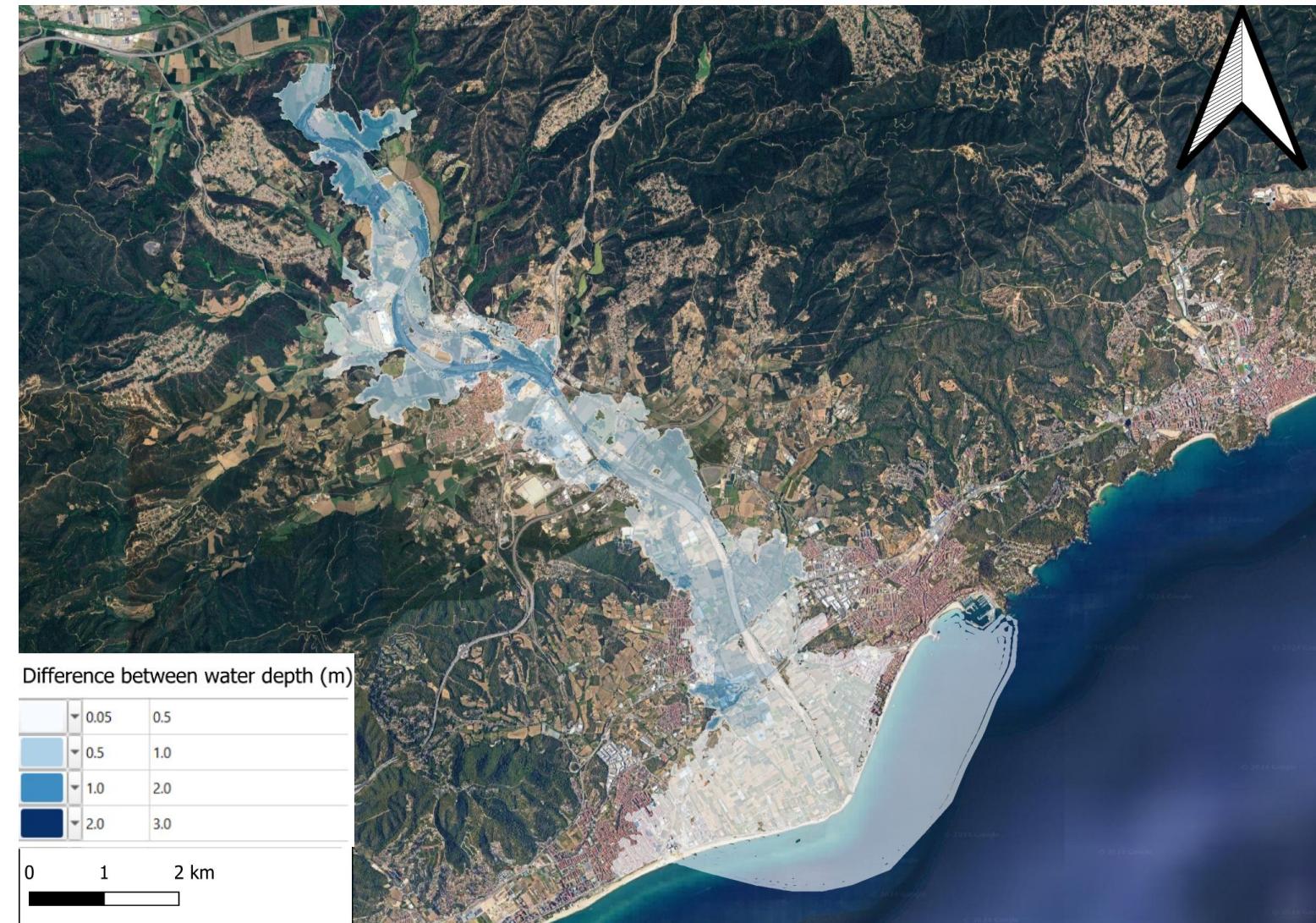
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Uncertainties on SSP 585 Projection Return Period



Map representing the difference in water level between the maximum and minimum of the SSP 585 station

Changes in water level are up to 3 meters



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Conclusion

- **Uncertainty is a key factor dealing with Climate Change Projections**
- **Hydrological and Hydraulic Models have many limitations and assumptions that must be taken into consideration**

After saying this, our data showed a future scenario with

- **Higher temperatures**
- **Lower Total Rainfall, however with an**
- **Increase in extreme rainfall events,**
- **And similar return period discharges between scenarios (T = 500 years)**



Recommendations

- Increase of data, specially regarding time resolution
- Properly estimating the coefficient of friction and considering it in the simulation allows for a better and more realistic simulation of the flooding.
- A finer mesh allows for a more accurate simulation, as it displays flooded areas that are not visible
- In addition, there are uncertainties about the accuracy of the DEM, about the hydrologic modeling, estimation of friction coefficient.