Global Water Futures 2021 Operations Team Meeting – Project Reporting Template

Instructions: All GWF projects are asked to provide a summary update on their activities and accomplishments in preparation for the upcoming Operations Team meeting. Please submit these by email to chris.debeer@usask.ca by no later than December 2. These will be used to help guide discussions and breakout synthesis activities and will be made generally accessible on our website in advance of the meeting.

Project Name: GWF Visualization Task Force – Visualization Platform for Modelers

Our major accomplishments to date are:

- Created a proof of concept for a programmable, model-agnostic visualization platform for use by GWF Core Modelling Researchers that provides clear added value beyond what is currently available
- (Spring/Summer 2021)
- Designed a server-based scalable back-end and front-end architecture for modelers
- Created APIs for data import and manipulation (Spring/Summer 2021)
- Set up documentation and code samples to start the next phase of collaborative development and code reviews (Fall 2021)
- Developed a research prototype (Fall 2021)

Our current activities are:

- Continue regular meetings with core modelling team
- User modeling to prepare the interface for collaborative development
- Beta version (Winter/Spring 2022)
- Engagement and Training (Summer/Fall 2022)
- Production Release (Fall 2022)

The main accomplishments expected by the end of the project are:

- Creating a sustainable visualization platform to be used by modelers and resources to train other end-uses and modellers beyond GWF. The platform is expected to support the following activities.
- \circ Model Agnostic approach to vis (Model output \rightarrow programmable interface \rightarrow Vis.)
- Scalable (Functional scalability, Computational offloading to the cloud, Administrative scalability – multiple organizations)
- Interactive (Data Exploration)
- o Programmable (Customizable, Transparent, Incremental, Dashboard)
- Collaborative (Share visualizations, data, programs)
- Data Analytics (Visual comparison, derived variables, auto-summarization, scenario analysis, decision making)



