

Regional Tribal Mentoring Program and Custom Database Development

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## Tribal Mentoring Program

- Encourage Tribes to Pursue Exchange Network Funding
- >Share YTEP's success story
- Provide input during proposal development
- >Share custom database with Tribes

#### Why Pursue EN Funding?

➤ The Network provides an opportunity to streamline data handling (reducing staff time required to push data to EPA), share data within ecoregions, and improve the way Tribes evaluate and respond to changing environmental conditions that affect the health of their Nations.

#### Benefits to Tribes

> Everything the Yurok Tribe has done is available to any interested Tribe to build off of, utilize, or copy; we are interested in encouraging Tribes to improve their internal data handling processes as a primary use of the EN, with satisfaction of EPA's reporting requirements as a seamless component of that data management.

#### How YTEP Utilized EN Funds

Developed Real-Time Monitoring Network

- Developed Custom Database (YEDSS) to transmit data to USEPA = node client
  - AQS
  - WQX
  - FRS

Developed On-Line Data Portal

## Data Storage & Analysis

#### Old System:

- Excel-Based
- Required extensive work each year to analyze data and compose reports
- Resulted in numerous duplicate files and no security on unvalidated or validated data
- Data transfer to STORET or AQS extremely cumbersome

#### > YEDSS:

- Automates data validation
- Raw and validated data are segregated and protected
- Automates data summaries and charts for reports
- Pushes data manually to AQS and WQX
- Submits FRS data to CDX
- Stores metadata, QA data, and photos

### Data Transmissions

Uploading air quality data to AQS using YEDSS since March of 2007

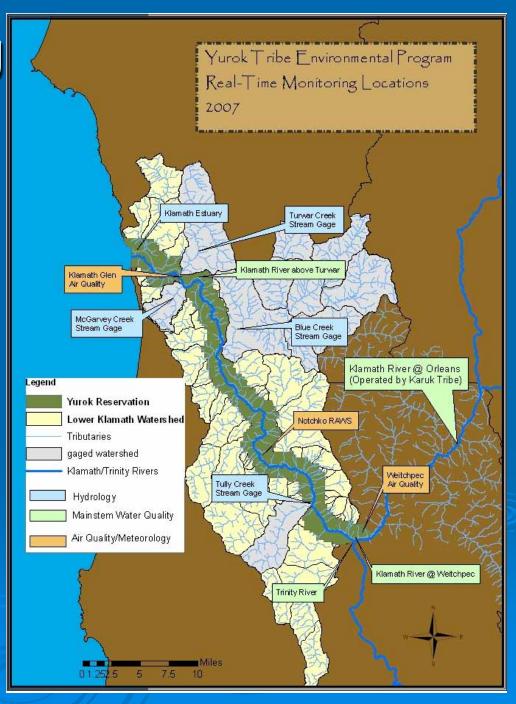
The Yurok Tribe was the first entity in Region
 9 to upload water quality data to
 STORET/WQX in August of 2007

- Transmitted FRS data to CDX October 2008
  - UST and Class V UIC well inventory

# NEIEN Funding – Element One

 Enabled equipment purchase and establishment of Real-Time Water Quality Monitoring Network





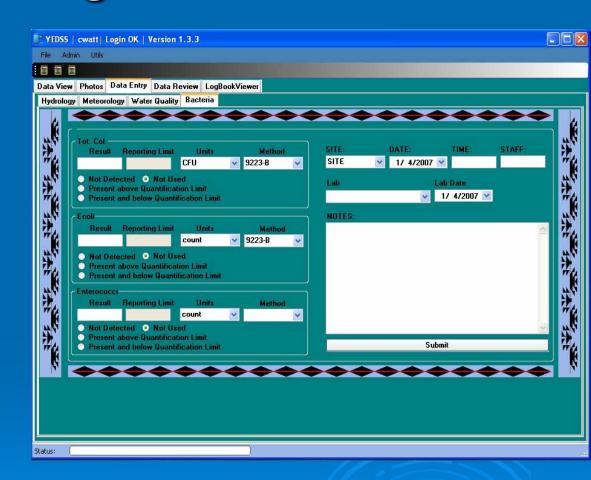
## Real-Time Data Delivery



- Developed Website to display real-time data
- Public can access hourly water and air quality data via internet
- YTEP staff uses network to monitor equipment status
- Scientists and managers use network to monitor current conditions

#### NEIEN Funding – Element Two

- YEDSS Water Quality Modules
  - Grab Data (Bacteria, Nutrient, Metals) collection, validation, storage, analysis, and "push" to WQX
  - Continuous Data collection, validation, storage, and analysis
  - Hydrology Data collection, validation, storage, and analysis



#### NEIEN Funding – Element Three

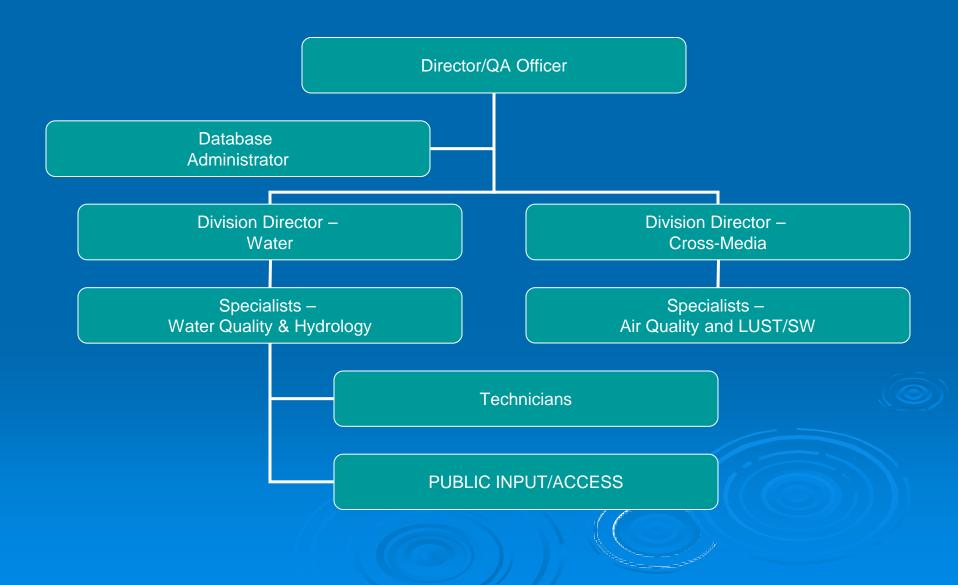
- > YEDSS Air Quality Modules
  - Meteorological Data collection, validation, storage, analysis, and "push" to AQS
  - Particulate Matter Data collection, validation, storage, analysis, and "push" to AQS



#### QA and Transmission

- > All users have a security and access level
- Continuous data uploaded is auto-validated
- Data transferred to a "pending" log
- > QA of at least 10% of data is required
- Data can be pushed from the pending log to the database by a higher level user
- Admin-level users can push data to WQX/AQS

#### YEDSS Security/Access Levels



### Recent Accomplishments

Transmitted Continuous WQ data to WQX

Developed Geo-referenced Data Portal Leveraging Google Earth Technology

Mentored multiple Regional 9 Tribes to develop data collection, management and transmission to USEPA

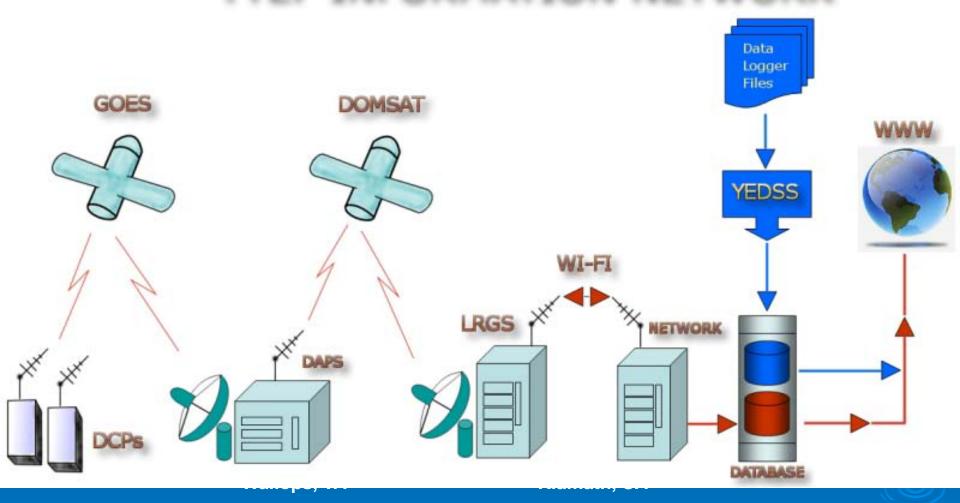
## Advantages for Tribes

- YEDSS or similar program is useful for the Tribal program (validation, storage, analysis) as well as fulfilling the data upload requirements of EPA
- YEDSS is built using open-source code and a common programming language (SQL) – can be copied or modified by any programmer
- YEDSS has extensive quality-assurance and validation mechanisms automated – saves staff time; also has cutting-edge security measures to preserve data and protect system



## Managing and Reporting Your Environmental Data

#### YTEP INFORMATION NETWORK



Data is transmitted from monitoring stations and posted on our internet website. Logger files are loaded into YEDSS

#### Data Types

Air Quality

Water Quality

- Federal Registered Sites (FRS)
  - UST / UIC



#### **Sensor Parameters Currently Supported:**

Water Temp
Specific Conductivity
Percent Dissolved Oxygen
Dissolved Oxygen (MG/L)
Dissolved Oxygen (CHARGE)
PH (Potential Hydrogen)
PH (Milivolts)
Battery Voltage
Salinity
Turbidity
Chlorophyll A
Blue-Green Algae



#### **Over 2,900 Constituents Supported:**

**Nutrients** 

**Bacteria** 

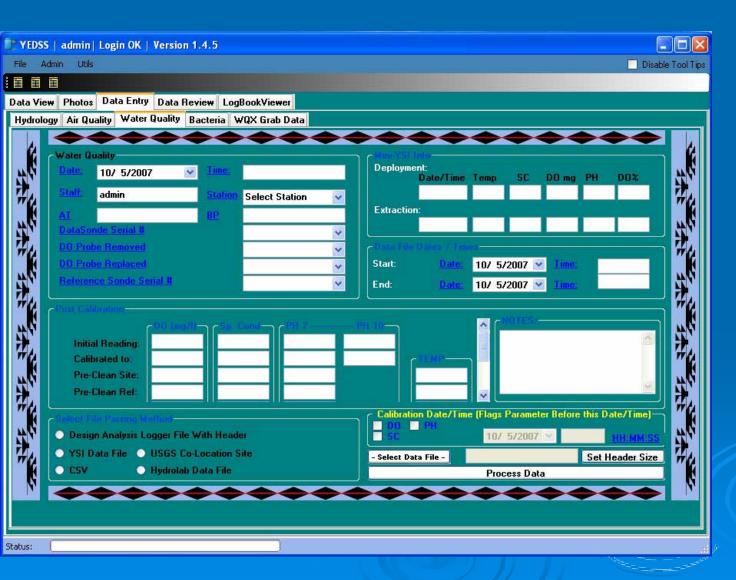
**Macroinvertebrates** 

**Pesticides** 

**Metals** 

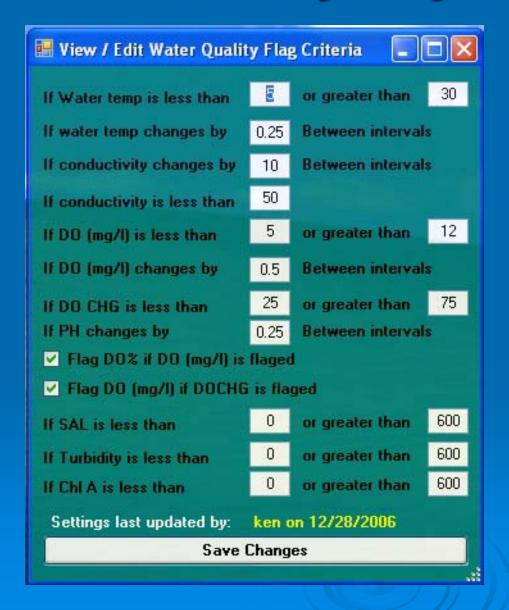
Algae

## Log book entry tracking



- Data is entered through the log book entry system similar to the in field tech data sheets.
- Logs track data grades, equipment serial numbers, and staff notes about a site visit

#### Data Quality Objectives (Flags)



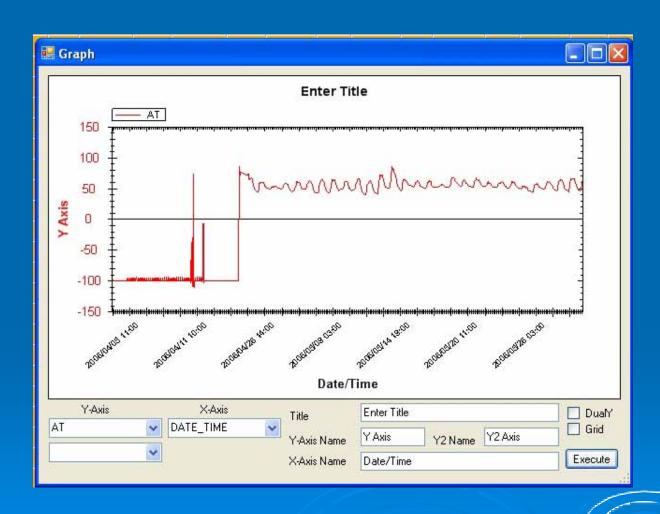
Setting your flagging criteria tells YEDSS how to flag your continuous data.

# Review your results to find broken or malfunctioning sensors

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/EY	4/19/2006	13:00:00		2.00		23.24		14.02	
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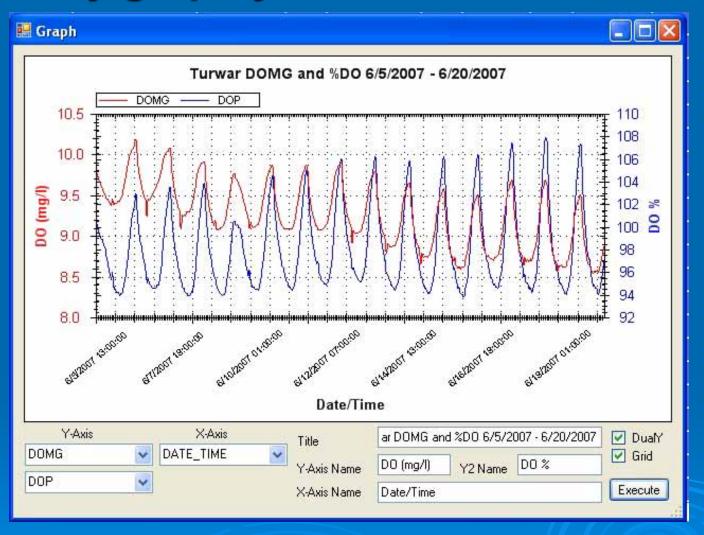
> Set or remove flags manually and save them for review.

## Spot data errors visually



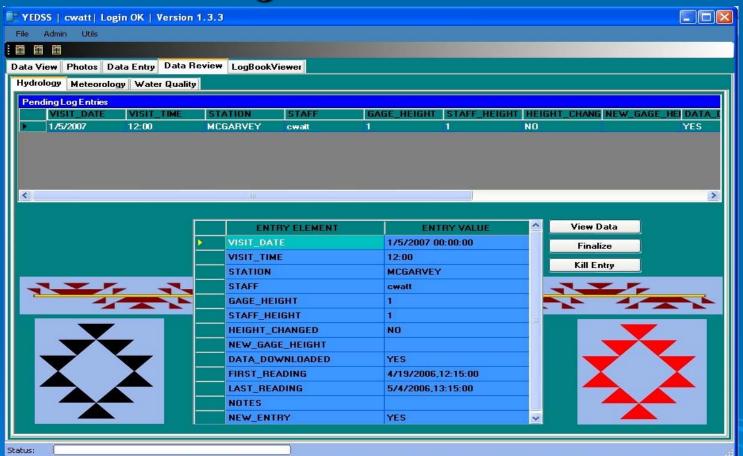
Quickly graph data to help you make decisions about data flags.

#### Quickly graph your data to see trends



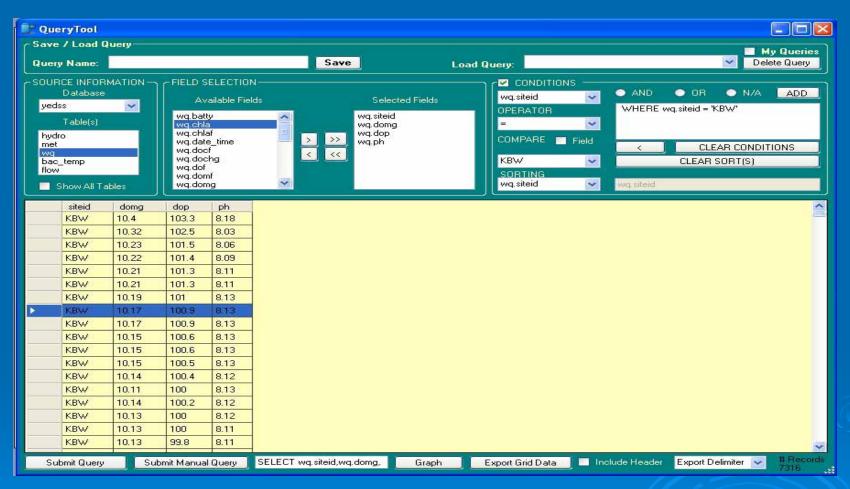
The graph has many functions to aid the visual representation of your data such as dual axis and export functions.

## Supervisors required to review data before it goes into the archive



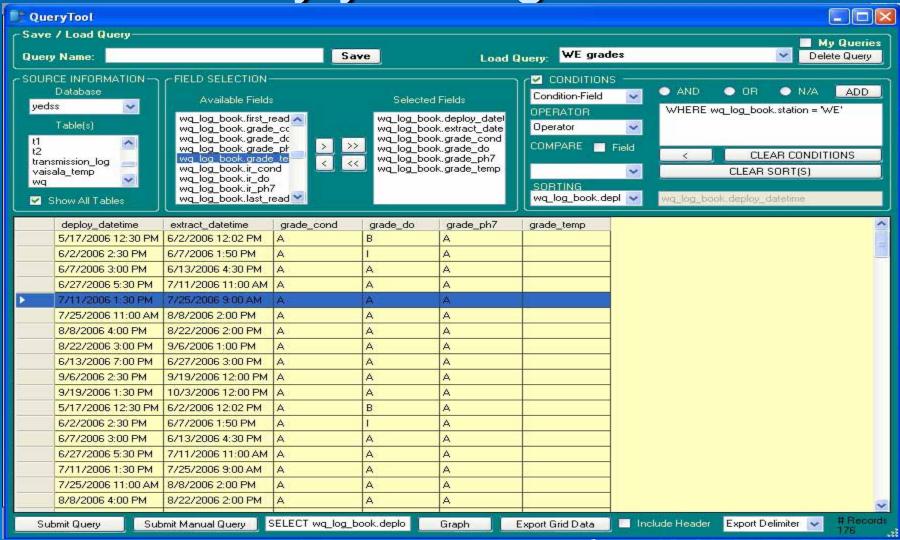
- Review data entered by your interns or technicians.
- You can view the flags and even know what has been changed.

## Query your archive



Respond to data requests in minutes instead of searching through data files or Excel sheets.

#### Query your log entries



 Information such as data grades and equipment changes can be useful for graphs and reports.

#### Reports and Tools

Daily Min / Max / Average for continuous data

SITEID	DATE	WTEMP_MIN	WTEMP_MAX	WTEMP_AVG	SC_MIN	SC MAX	SC_AVG	DOP_MIN	
KBW	5/17/2006	13.55	14.5	14.16	89	91	89.69	101.1	
KBW	5/18/2006	13.57	14.43	14.04	85	88	86.15	100.8	
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KBW	5/20/2006	12.29	12.95	12.65	84	87	85.34	100.9	
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KBW	5/24/2006	12.02	12.62	12.23	92	98	94.89	100.6	
KBW	5/25/2006	12.09	12.47	12.23	91	95	92.91	100.1	П
KBW	5/26/2006	11.92	12.33	12.22	95	106	99.94	99.3	
KBW	5/27/2006	11.46	12.24	11.82	102	103	102.17	98.9	П
KBW	5/28/2006	11.62	13	12.16	103	107	104.98	99.4	
KBW	5/29/2006	12.48	13.98	13.16	107	110	108.11	99.2	П
KBW	5/30/2006	12.93	14.48	13.64	109	112	109.85	99	
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#### Report your validated data to EPA

Flagged data is not reported to AQS or WQX



## Transmission Log

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	3/27/2007	cwatt	Bacteria	KR above WTP	3/6/2006 12:50 PM	2/28/2007 2:49 PM	WQX			
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	3/29/2007	micah	Air	WEITCHPEC	10/1/2006	1/1/2007	AQS			
	6/26/2007	cwatt	Bacteria	KE	3/12/2004 9:17 AM	2/28/2007 2:10 PM	WQX			
	7/23/2007	micah	Air	WEITCHPEC	1/1/2007	3/31/2007 11:00 PM	AQS			
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	8/14/2007	micah	Air	WEITCHPEC	1/1/2007	3/31/2007	AQS			
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#### \$\$ Exchange Network \$\$

- Funding assists Tribes in meeting data reporting requirements
- Assists Tribes in updating data management systems and making data available to a wide audience – information is power

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