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Impervious Surface Mapping City of Pittsburgh

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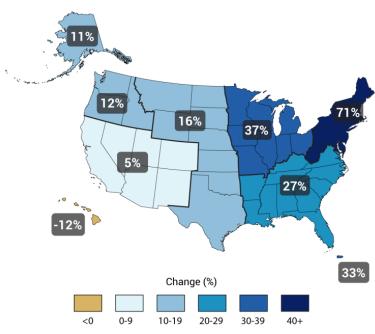




Stormwater Fee Implementation

- Why is it necessary?
 - Increased precipitation
 - Additional funding needed

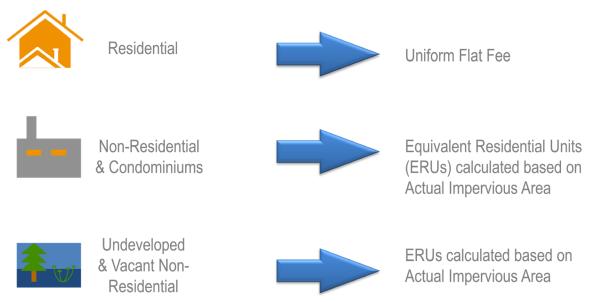
Observed Change in Very Heavy Precipitation





Stormwater Fee Implementation

- Current sewer conveyance fee not equitable
- Impervious surface based rate structure:



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Accuracy Matters!

- 2013 Stormwater Rate
 Structure Feasibility Study
 - Low resolution review
- Stormwater fee planned for inclusion by 2021
 - High accuracy for better program cost distribution
 - Better platform for "challenge" process

Residential Parcels:

Residential sample: average impervious area = 1,647 ft²

Non-Residential Parcels:

Impervious Area estimated via GIS Analysis

Condominiums:

Impervious Area estimated via GIS Analysis



High Density

Moderate Density Brookline

Low Density Squirrel Hill



PWSA Surface Mapping Goal

Develop GIS layers for the purpose of stormwater

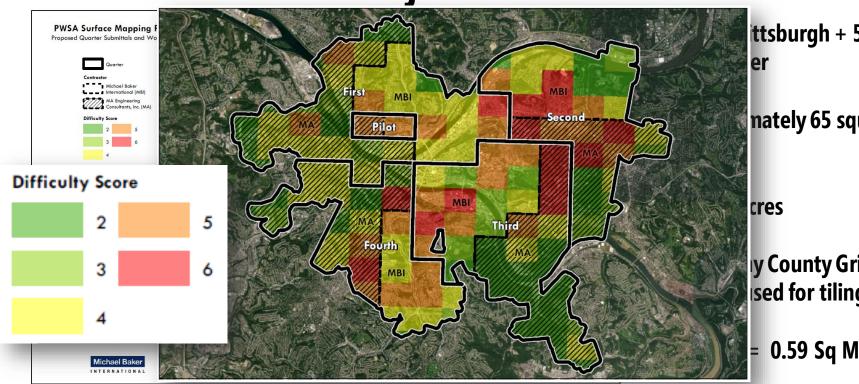
runoff calculation

- Buildings
- Bridges
- Transportation
- Other Impervious Surfaces
- Major Rivers (Allegheny, Monongahela & Ohio)

1	Roads- Paved	
2	Roads- Unpaved	
3	Bridges	
4	Sidewalks	
5	Driveways- Paved	
6	Driveways- Unpaved	
7	Parking Lots- Paved	
8	Parking Lots- Unpaved	
9	Buildings	
10	Decks/Patios	
11	Pools- In Ground	
12	Pools- Above Ground	
13	Non-motorized bike trails	
14	Athletic Facilities (Basketball/ Tennis/ Track/ Baseball & Softball Diamonds)	
15	Railroad Tracks	
16	Concrete Pads	
17	Misc. Structures	
18***	Three Rivers Delineation	



Project Area



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y County Grid sed for tiling

0.59 Sq Mi



Photogrammetric Collection vs Heads Up Digitization



Michael Baker tested both compilation techniques on 60 mixed residential/commercial buildings:

Photogrammetric: 166,398 sq ft

Heads Up Digitization:

168,945 sq ft

Difference:

2,547 more sq ft in Heads Up Digitization



Approach and Methodology

Imagery	Collection Method	Accuracy	Effort
2016 – 6" Pixels	Photogrammetric		\$ \$
2017 – 3" Pixels	Heads-up- Digitization		\$

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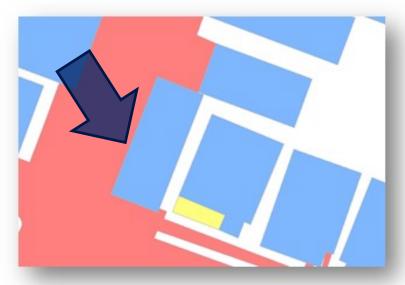
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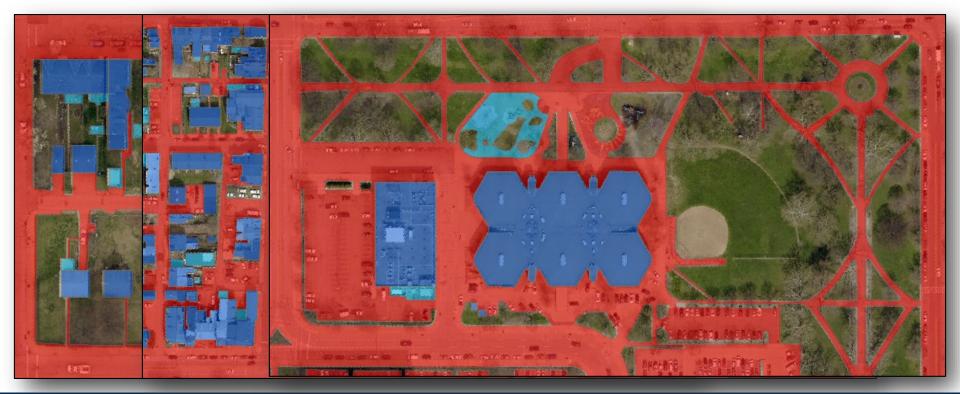
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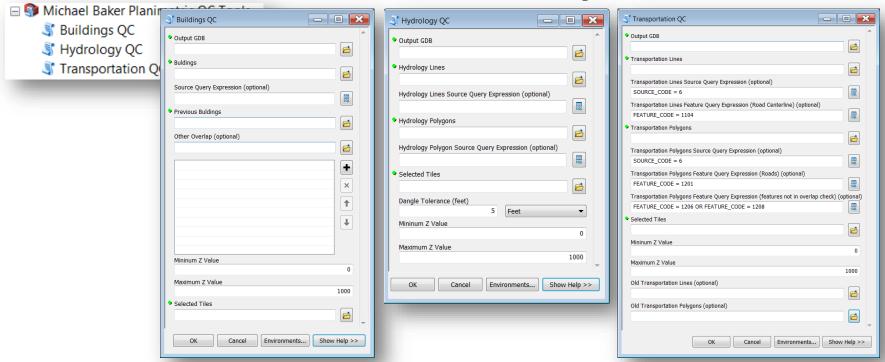


Mapping Results





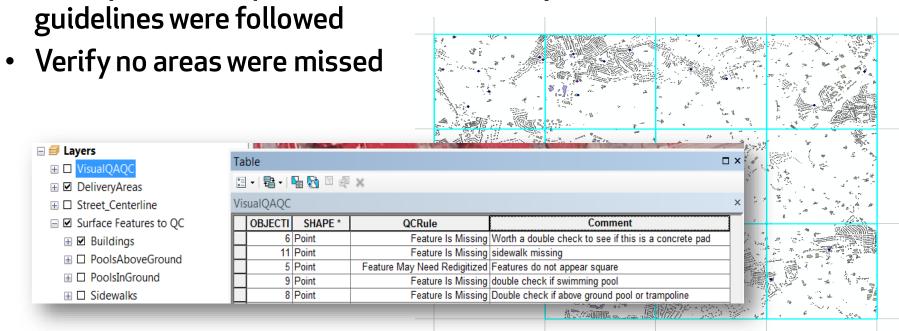
Automated GIS Quality Control





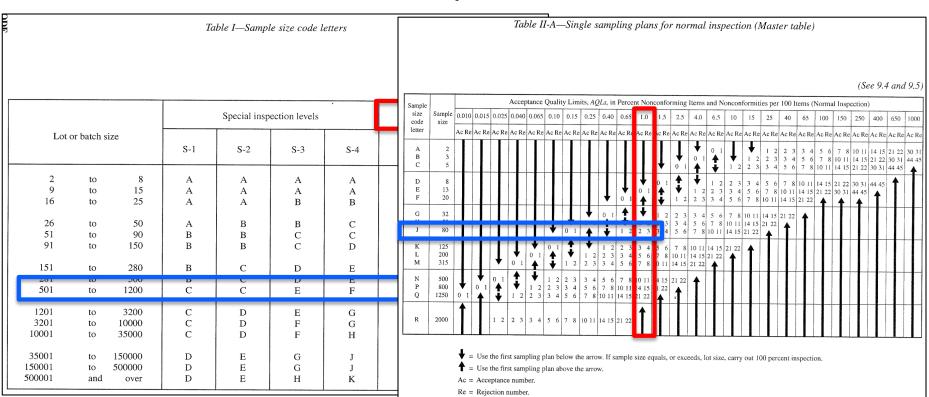
Visual GIS Quality Control

Grid system set up with checklist to verify





PWSA QC Process



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PWSA QC Process





Other Uses

- High accuracy surface data
 - Cartographic Mapping
 - Sewershed Modeling
 - Stormwater BMP effectiveness





Thank you!

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