



TETRA TECH

# Mission Critical Support in Natural Disasters

Transforming emergency response workflows with ArcGIS





*Leading with Science®*

# Company Overview

# WHO WE ARE

We are the 18,000 faces of Tetra Tech. We are dedicated problem-solvers and innovators from 60 disciplines collaborating on interesting projects worldwide.



# OFFICE LOCATIONS



With more than 400 offices worldwide,  
we can quickly respond to our client's needs.

# Our GIS/Data Team

- Based out of Kansas City, MO
- GIS Analysts, Developers, and Data Scientists
- Support various clients and projects worldwide
- Focused on U.S. Environmental Protection Agency
  - Superfund Technical Assessment and Response Team (START)



Region 4



Region 5



Region 7



# START Program

- Emergency response and preparedness
- Oil and hazardous substance removal actions
- Site assessments
- Counterterrorism support
- Training



# Emergency Response

- Help EPA mitigate any imminent or substantial threat to the environment or public health/welfare
- Natural disasters and man-made incidents
- **START performs monitoring and oversight**
  - Collection of samples and monitoring results
  - Facility assessments
  - Orphaned container recon and recovery
  - Sunken vessel recon and recovery
  - General documentation



# ArcGIS is Essential to our Operations

- Mapping & Visualization
- Data Management
- Field Mobility
- Monitoring
- Analytics
- Design & Planning
- Decision Support
- Constituent Engagement
- Sharing and Collaboration



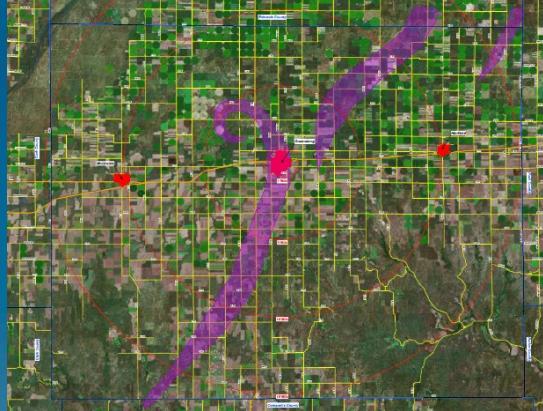
# How did we get here?

Transforming our emergency response workflows

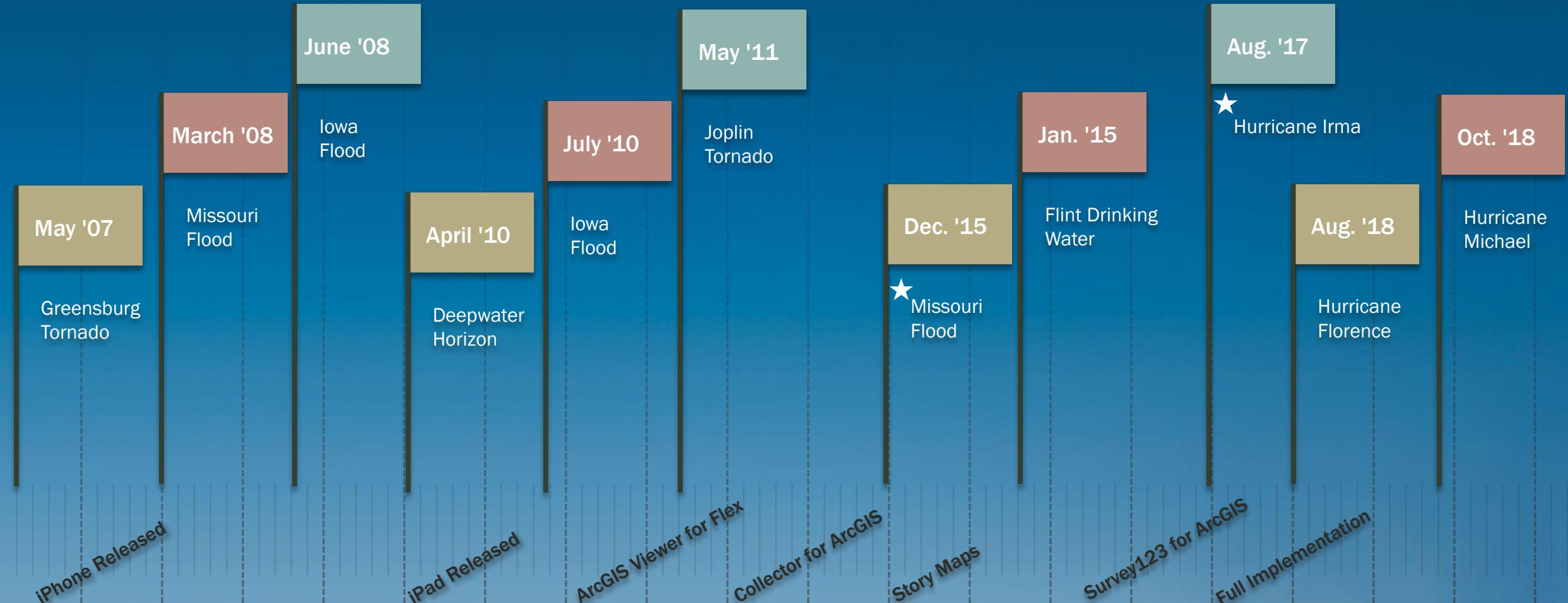


# Our Transformation Begins

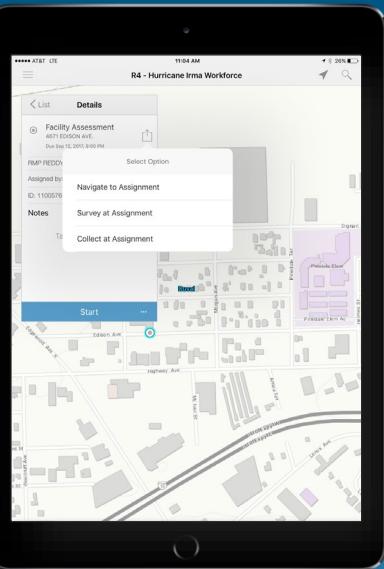
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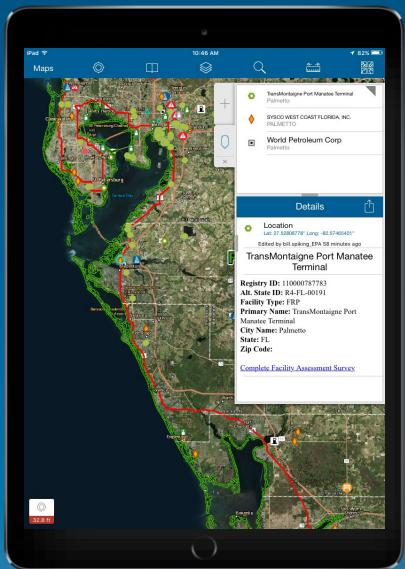
# Timeline 2007 - 2018



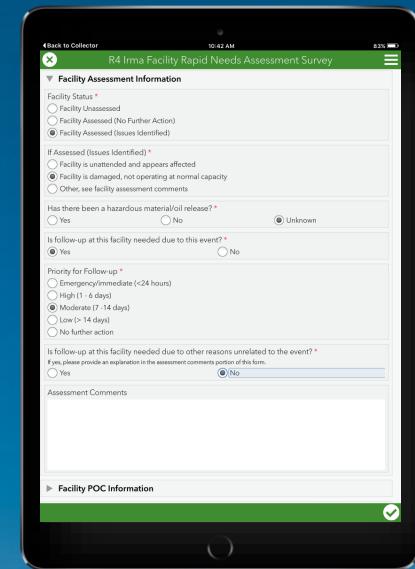
# Hurricane Irma - Full Implementation



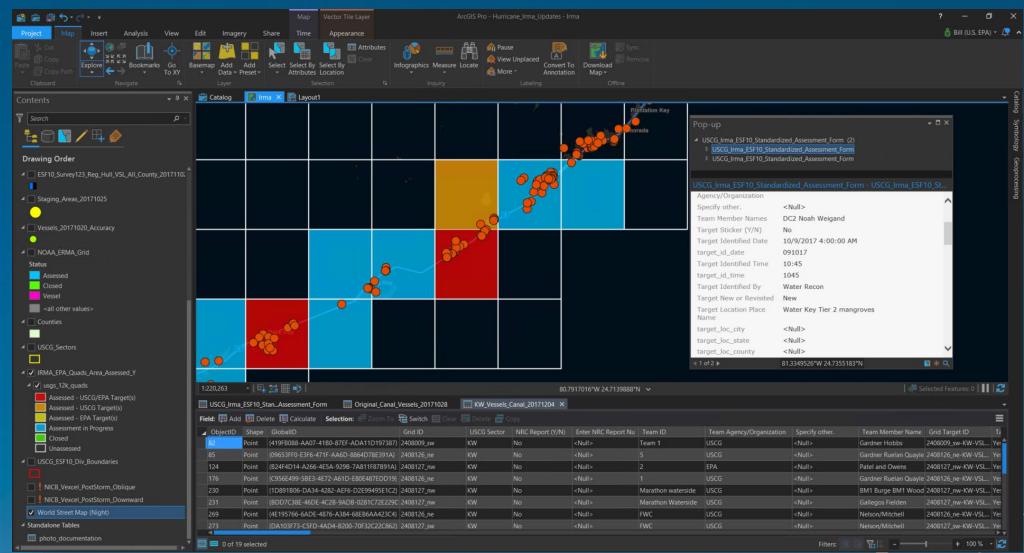
Workforce



Collector



Survey123



ArcGIS Pro

# Hurricane Irma - Full Implementation Cont.

- Web AppBuilder
- Operations Dashboard
- Story Maps
- Living Atlas

**Active Hurricanes**



This layer describes the path and forecast path of tropical activity from the National Hurricane Center and Joint Typhoon Warning Center. ArcGIS Online subscription required.

 [Map Image Layer by Esri](#)

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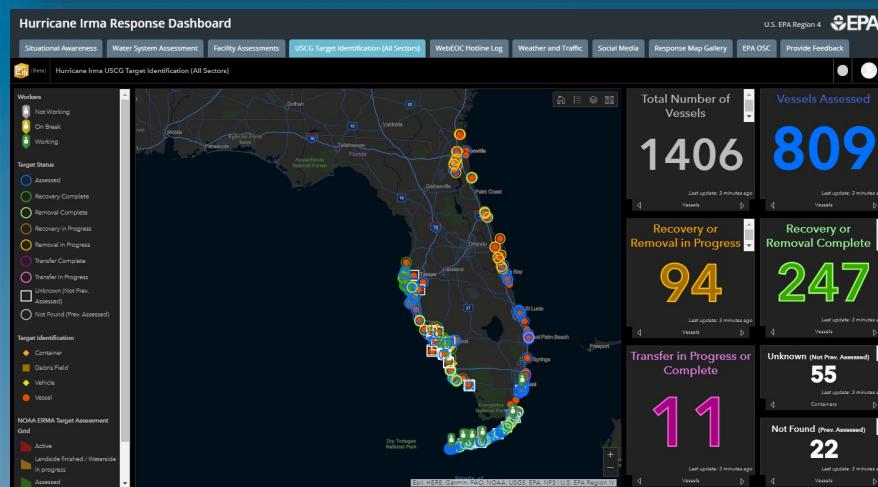
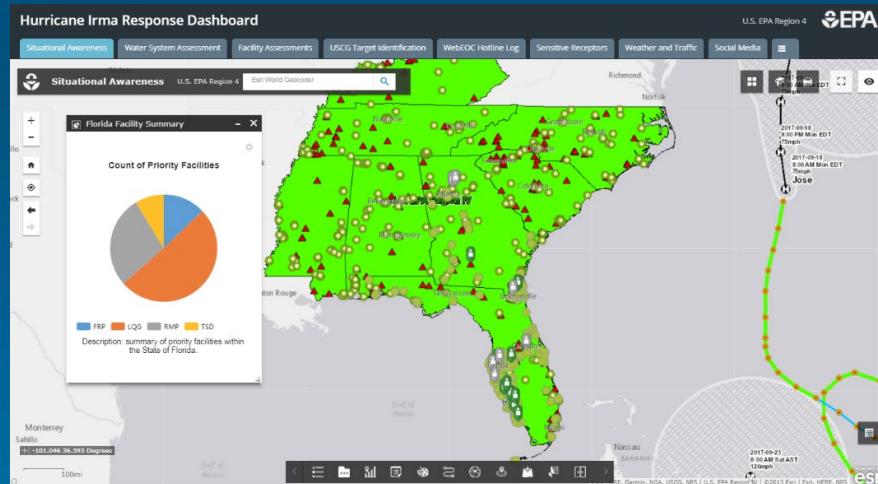
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**Description**

Hurricane tracks and positions provide information on where the storm has been, where it is going, where it is currently located and the category as defined by wind speed. This data is provided by NOAA National Hurricane Center (NHC). For more live feeds visit our [Disaster Web Maps & Feeds ArcGIS Online Group](#).

**Forecast points:** represent the official NHC forecast locations of the center of a tropical cyclone. Forecast center positions are given for projections valid 12, 24, 36, 48, 72, 96, and 120 h after the forecast's nominal initial time. [Click here for more information.](#)

Forecast points from the JTWC are valid 12, 24, 36, 48 and 72 h after the forecast's initial time.

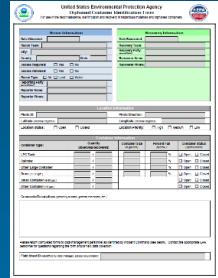


# Before

## Previous Data Collection Tools



Log Books



Field Sheets



PDAs



Digital Pens

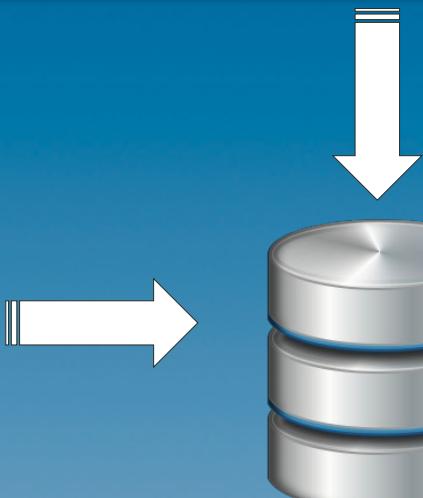
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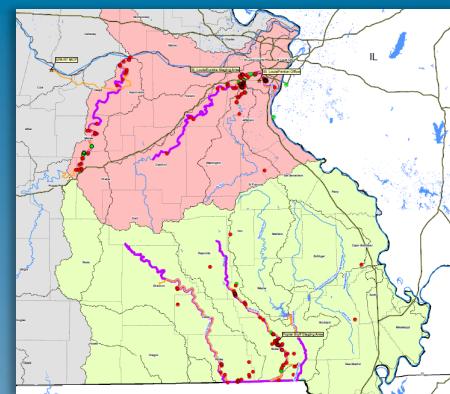
Digital Camera



GPS



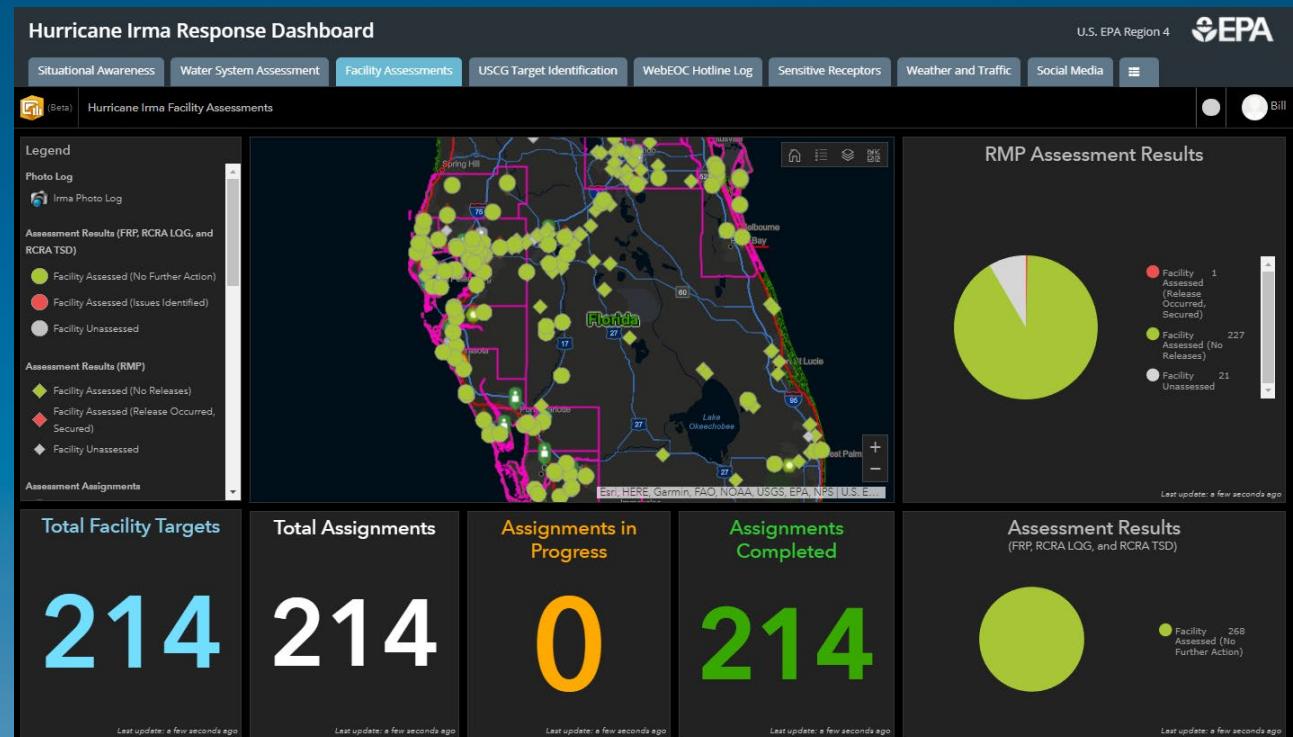
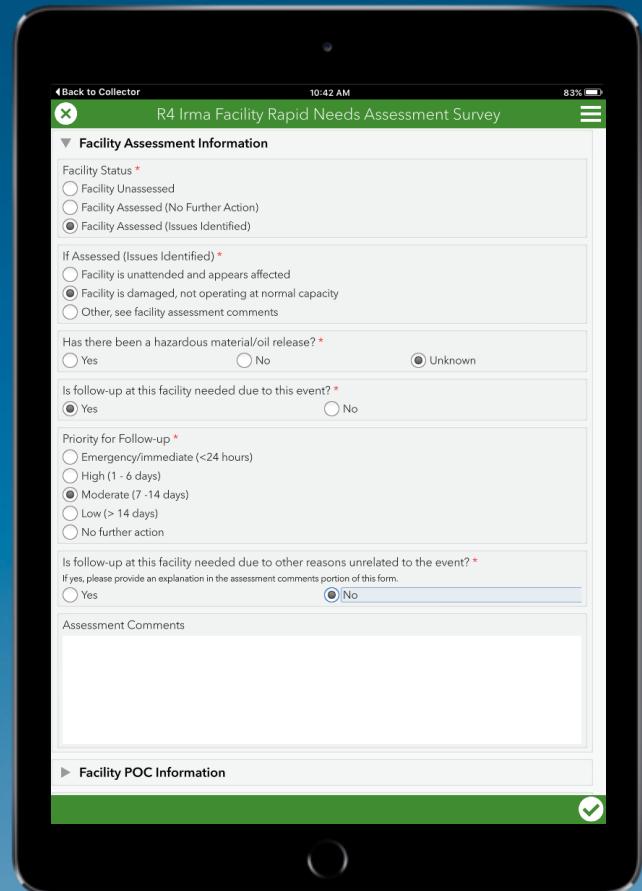
Database



Map

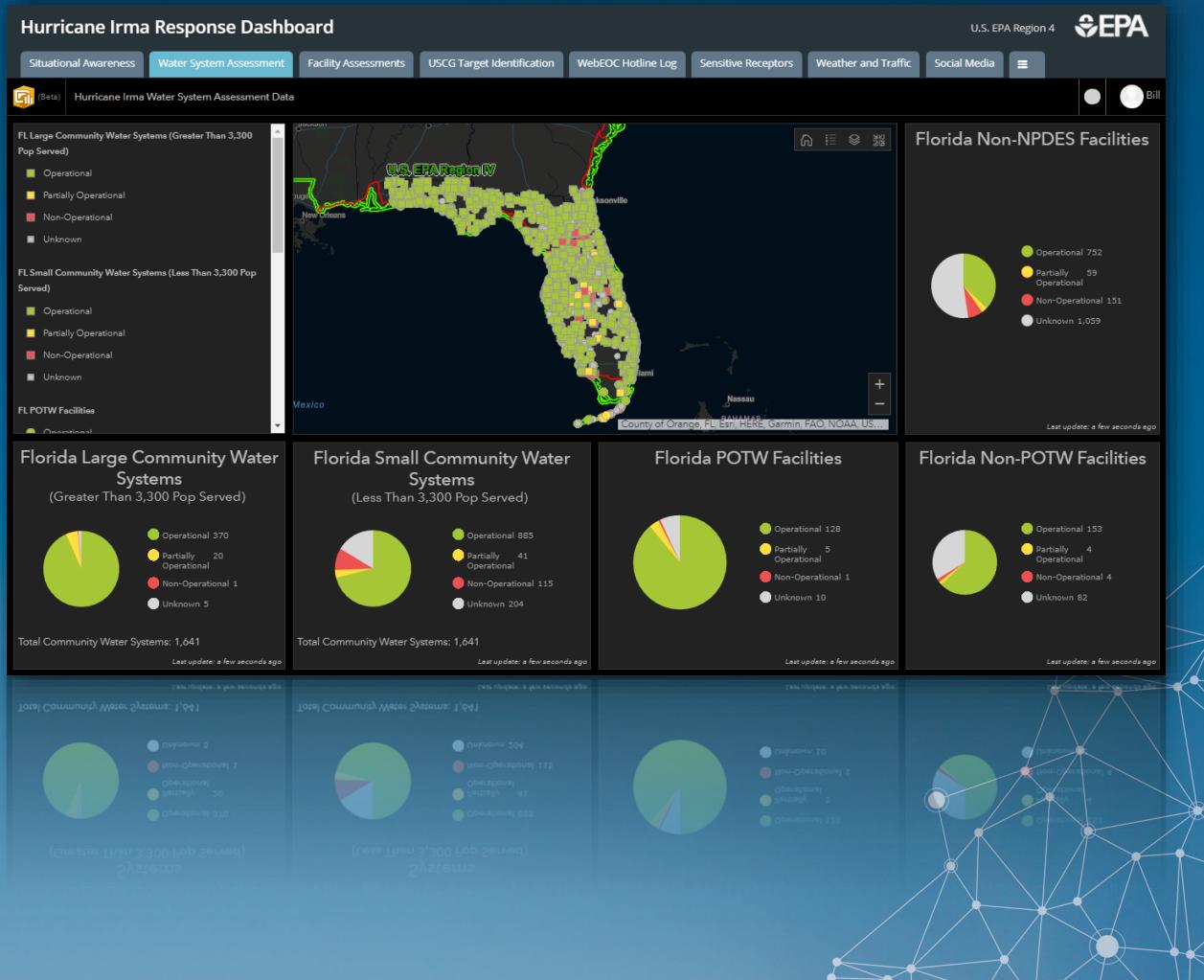


# After



# The Results

- Improves data quality
- Reduces duplication of effort
- Redirects mission-critical resources away from low-value activities
- Promotes data-driven decision making
- Creates a heightened operational awareness



# Our Continued Transformation

- ArcGIS Enterprise
- GeoAI: Machine Learning
- Real-time
- Automation
- ArcGIS Apps



Case Study

**DISASTER MANAGEMENT**

**User**  
US Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), a federal organization responsible for protecting human health and the environment

**Partner**  
Tetra Tech, an Esri partner that is a leading global provider of environmental consulting services

**Challenge**  
In the face of a natural disaster, meet the needs of and facilitate

**EPA Integrates Emergency Response**

The US Environmental Protection Agency has a mission to protect human health and the environment. The agency's purpose is to ensure that all Americans are protected from significant risks to human health and the environment where they live, learn, and work. The EPA Office of Emergency Management (OEM) works with other federal partners to prevent accidents and maintain well-tuned incident response capabilities at all levels. OEM uses experience gained from responding to thousands of smaller sites to scale up the office's response to events such as Hurricane Irma.

<https://www.esri.com/en-us/arcgis/products/field-operations/overview>



# ER Workflows Applied Across Disciplines



## WATER

Coastal and Marine Resources Management  
Drinking Water  
Groundwater  
Stormwater  
Wastewater Treatment  
Water Resources



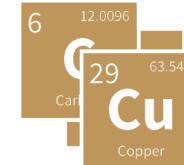
## ENVIRONMENT

Air Quality  
Environmental Compliance  
Environmental Management  
Remediation  
Waste Management



## INFRASTRUCTURE

Airports and Aviation  
High Performance Buildings  
Communications  
Dams, Reservoirs, and Levees  
Ports, Harbors, and Waterfront  
Transportation



## RESOURCE MANAGEMENT

Industrial  
Mining and Minerals  
Oil and Gas



## ENERGY

Conventional Generation  
Energy Efficiency  
Nuclear  
Offshore Energy  
Renewable Energy  
Transmission and Distribution  
Utilities and Market Analytics



## INTERNATIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Agriculture and Food Security  
Economic Growth  
Education  
Energy  
Environment  
Health  
Governance





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Thank you for attending!

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Water



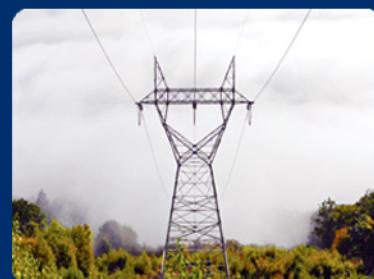
Environment



Infrastructure



Resource Management



Energy



International Development