

# **Stormwater - Untapping the Potential...**

What Role Can Distributed Storages Play in Reducing Flood Effects?

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# **Presentation Outline:**

- Background
- Project Approach
- Results & Findings
- Using the Findings





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#### Background

- Joint project DELWP & MW to build industry knowledge & support the new Flood Management Strategy – Port Phillip & Westernport:
  - How effective are storages at reducing flooding?
  - Information at macro scale to support further studies



## Project Approach

• 20 case study catchments with different characteristics

Area	Flat Topography	Moderate Topography	Steep Topography
			1 Low Fl
Very Small	-	1 Mod FI	1 Mod Fl 1 High Fl
	1 Low Fl		1 Low Fl
Small	1 Mod Fl	1 Mod FI	2 Mod FI
Modium	1 High El	1 Mod El	1 Low Fl
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Large		1 Mod Fl	1 Low Fl
Large			2 Mod Fl

• 5 consultants & different models & modelling approaches:







## **Catchment Characteristics**

#### Area

Area	Hectares
Very Small	<= 80
Small	<= 400
Medium	<= 700
Large	<= 1000
Extra Large	Not studied

### Topography

Slope	1 in x (metres)
Steep	x <= 105
Moderate	x <= 500
Flat	x > 500

### Imperviousness

Fraction	FI
Impervious	
Low	< 0.3
Moderate	<= 0.7
High	> 0.7



- 4 different AEP events: 20%, 10%, 5%, 1%
- 3 Storage options: No storage; 2,500L; & 5,000L (per 200m<sup>2</sup> roof area)
- Plus 4 different area categories and 3 slope categories!

## Modelling Assumptions

- 100% of residential building roof areas directed to the storages
- All storages started empty and once full, remained full for the remainder of the event (i.e. storage volume is permanently lost from the model)
- Roof areas for "current" development were based on existing residential building footprints
- Future development impervious fractions were based on a value of 0.8 for all residential properties (based on existing residential zones)
- Roof areas for future development were set at 68% of each residential property area or the existing building footprint area percentage, whichever was larger
- Manning's `n' roughness values in the hydraulic models were not adjusted between scenarios
- Flood model outputs were filtered to create flood extents. The filtering criteria used included:
  - $V^*d \ge 0.008 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  and/or  $d \ge 0.05 \text{m}$  for distributed inflows models; and
  - $V/*d \ge 0.008 \text{ m}^2/\text{s}$  and/or  $d \ge 0.10\text{m}$  for rain on orid models

## The process of getting to results



### Data Outputs – Flood Extents



#### **Current Flood Impacts:**

- 2500L storages
- 5000L storages

#### Future Flood Impacts:

- Increased Development
- Increased Rainfall

#### Data Outputs – AAD

#### Flood extents



## Findings – Moderate FI Catchments



## Findings – Low FI and High FI Catchments



All topographies combined as minimal case studies in this category

Generally low effectiveness – very few roofs to capture rainwater from!





## Seeing the results for some example Case Study Catchments

Small, Steep Catchment, Moderate FI, 5000L storages



### Seeing the results for some example Case Study Catchments





Medium, Steep Catchment, High FI, 5000L storages

#### AAD drops from \$2.2M to \$1.1M

## Storage Effectiveness Findings Summarised

#### AAD (5000L)

Slope	Area	Fraction Impervious		
		<0.3	0.3-0.7	>0.7
	Very Small	10-20%	40-50%	>60%
Steep	Small	0-10%	30-40%	50-60%
	Medium	0-10%	30-40%	50-60%
	Large	0-10%	20-30%	50-60%
Moderate	Very Small	0-10%	30-40%	40-50%
	Small	0-10%	30-40%	40-50%
	Medium	0-10%	20-30%	40-50%
	Large	0-10%	20-30%	40-50%
Flat	Very Small	0-10%	20-30%	40-50%
	Small	0-10%	20-30%	40-50%
	Medium	0-10%	20-30%	20-30%
	Large	0-10%	20-30%	20-30%

#### Flood Extents: 5yr and 100yr (5000L)

Slope	Area	<0.3	0.3-0.7	>0.7
	Very Small	5-10%	30-40%	50-60%
Stoop	Small	<5%	30-40%	50-60%
Steep	Medium	<5%	30-40%	50-60%
	Large	<5%	20-30%	40-50%
	Very Small	<5%	30-40%	40-50%
Madarata	Small	<5%	30-40%	40-50%
woderate	Medium	<5%	30-40%	40-50%
	Large	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
	Very Small	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
	Small	<5%	5-10%	10-20%
Fiat	Medium	<5%	<5%	10-20%
	Large	<5%	<5%	5-10%

Slope	Area	<0.3	0.3-0.7	>0.7
Steep	Very Small	<5%	20-30%	20-30%
	Small	<5%	20-30%	20-30%
	Medium	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
	Large	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
Moderate	Very Small	<5%	20-30%	20-30%
	Small	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
	Medium	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
	Large	<5%	10-20%	20-30%
Flat	Very Small	<5%	10-20%	10-20%
	Small	<5%	5-10%	10-20%
	Medium	<5%	<5%	5-10%
	Large	<5%	<5%	5-10%

# Mapping the Region



## Mapping the region



### Next Steps

### • Share findings:

- Through the regional Flood Strategy Port Phillip & Westernport
- Through the upcoming IWM forums & IWM working groups
- Directly with interested groups

### Use findings:

- As inputs to the new *Prioritisation Tools* being developed through the regional Flood Strategy (with Council & agency input)



- To support initiation of more detailed flood modelling projects
- To support IWM assessments from a flooding perspective
- To create momentum to keep building our knowledge further!!

## More Information & Thank – you!

Study information will soon be available on Melbourne Water's internet – search for Flood Management Strategy Port Phillip and Westernport

#### Thanks from...

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