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Rejected recharge: The story of what lies beneath

It has long been assumed that watershed storage provides vital stores to sustain surface water flow during periods of dryness, with some arguing that water storage serves as the primary source for flow. The important hydrologic connection between discharge and watershed storage is deemed to be under threat, as changes in land cover and climate interconnect to alter groundwater balance. Recent advances in hydrograph recession analysis has spurred methods to evaluate storage sensitivity of streamflow, providing a framework to assess changes in how a watershed stores, transmits and discharges water. In this presentation, we will evaluate the evidence that links storage sensitivity and water storage. I'll argue that the development of temporal sensitivities highlights the influence of human and climate interactions, upsetting the resilience of flow regimes.

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