



# IMPROVING HYDRO STAKEHOLDER VALUE

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# OVERVIEW

- River Forecast Center
- Six-Hour Model Value
  - Hourly Sub-Timestep Embedded within 6-Hour Timestep Model
- Hydro Value Analysis
  - Evaluate Special Operations
- Lessons Learned





# RIVER FORECAST CENTER

- Meet System Benefits
  - Flood Control
  - Navigation
  - Power
  - Recreation
  - Water Quality
  - Water Supply
- Create Value for TVA and Stakeholders
  - Displace More Expensive Power

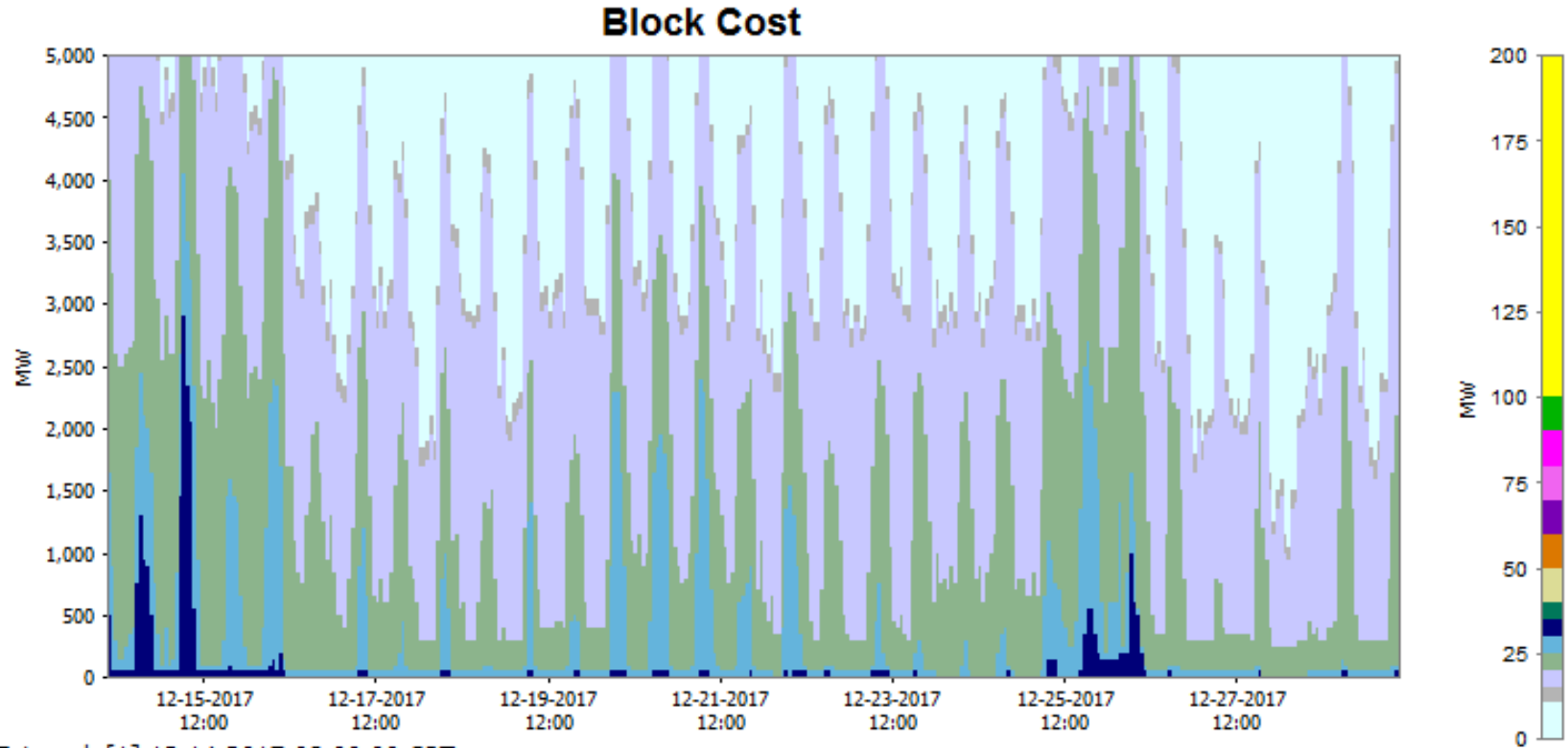


# SIX-HOUR MODEL

- Purpose:
  - Meet Policy/River System Benefits
  - Allocate Excess Water Based on Economics
- Model:
  - Daily Discharge Forecast
  - 15 Days
  - 6-Hour Timestep
  - Coarser Timestep = Faster



# BLOCK COSTS



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# AGGREGATION OF BLOCK COSTS

- Decisions Made at Hourly Level

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# What's the Problem?

- 6-Hour Block Costs.....
  - All-or-Nothing Approach
  - Example
    - > 1-unit plant
    - > 12 hours of generation
    - > Avg 6-hr value = \$31.95/MW
    - > Avg 1-hr value = \$32.79/MW

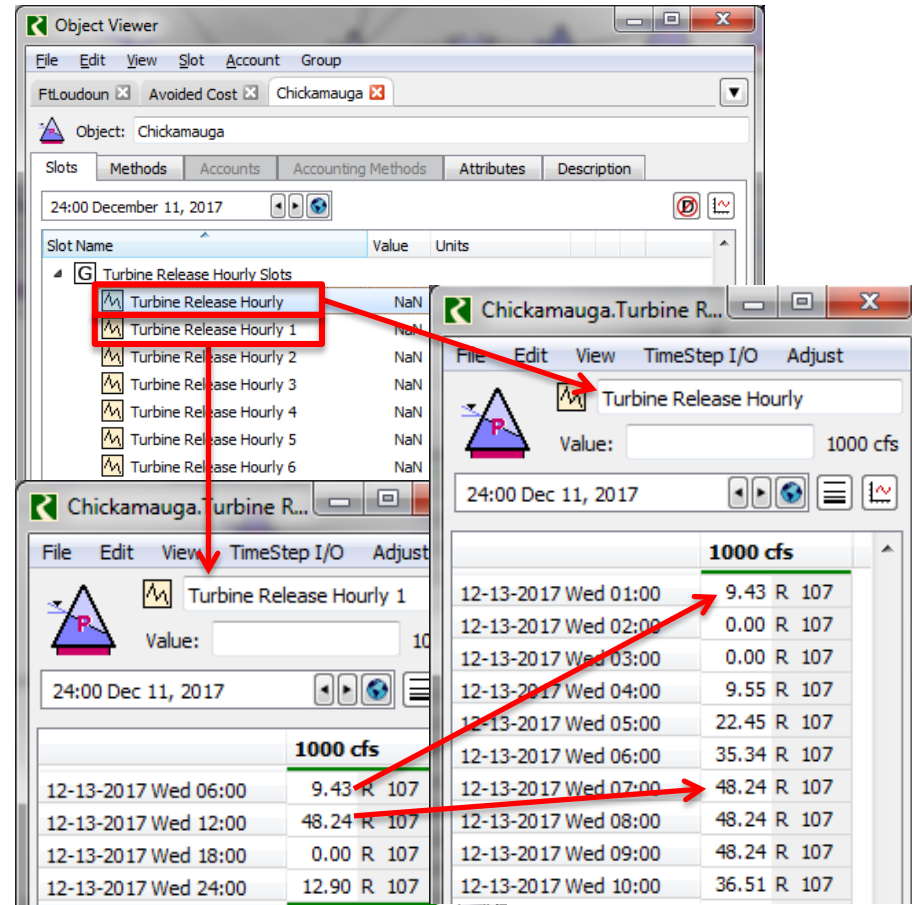
- Takeaway -  
Data Smoothing Can Lead to Less-than-Ideal Answer

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# The Solution?

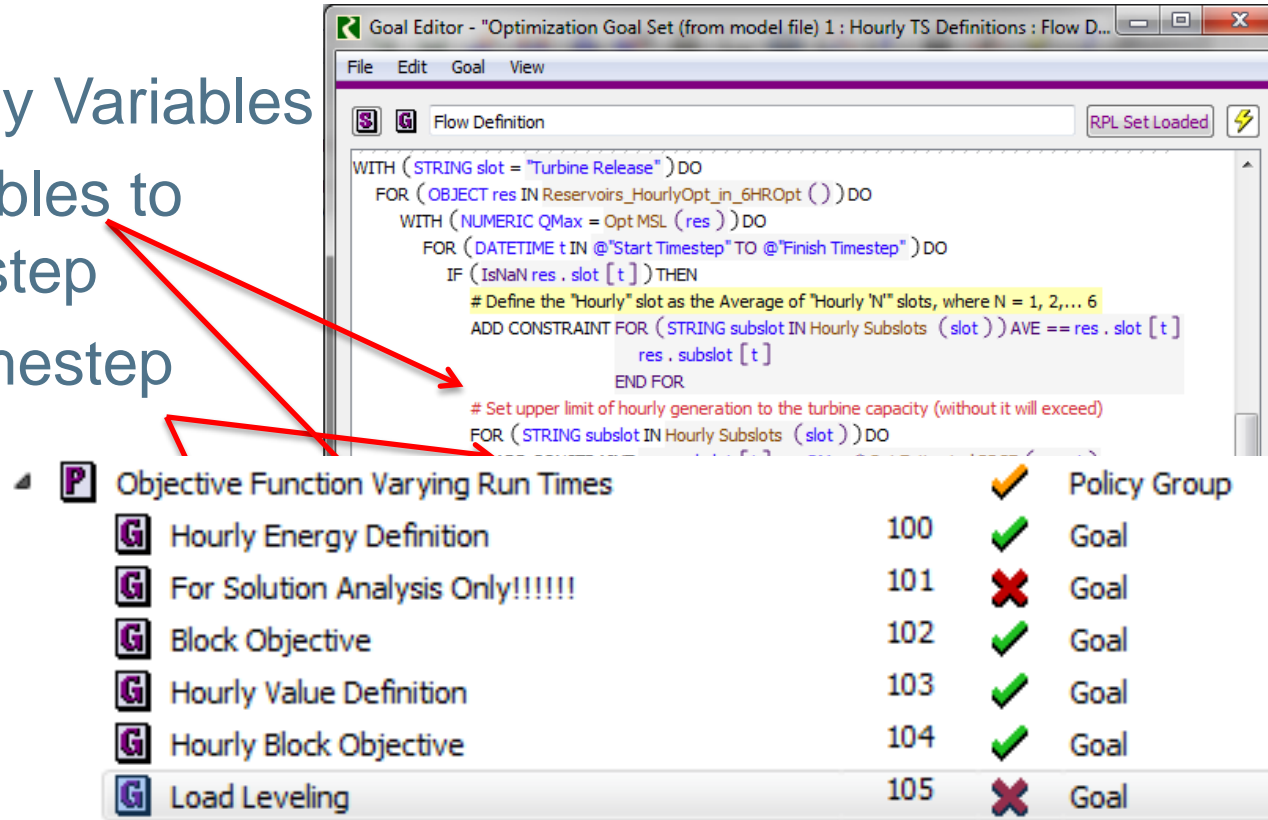
- Use (Pseudo)Hourly Timestep in the 6-Hour Model
- User-Defined Optimization Variables
  - “Turbine Release” for Ramping Restrictions
  - “Energy” for Maximizing Value





# The Solution?

- Define Hourly Variables
- Relate Variables to Model Timestep
- Add Sub-Timestep Restrictions



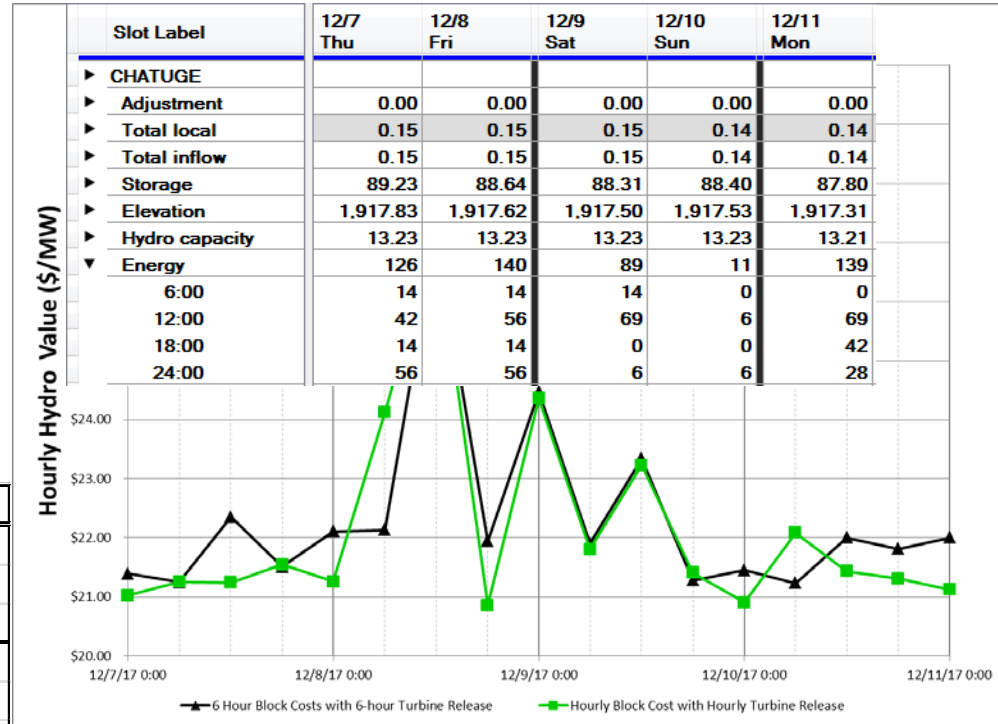
The screenshot displays the 'Goal Editor' interface. The top window, titled 'Goal Editor - "Optimization Goal Set (from model file) 1 : Hourly TS Definitions : Flow D...', shows a 'Flow Definition' script. The script includes a 'WITH' clause for 'Turbine Release', a 'FOR' loop for 'Reservoirs\_HourlyOpt\_in\_6HROpt', and a 'WITH' clause for 'NUMERIC QMax = Opt MSL (res)'. It then defines a 'DATETIME t' and a 'slot' variable, followed by a constraint: 'ADD CONSTRAINT FOR (STRING subplot IN Hourly Subslots (slot)) AVE == res . slot [ t ]'. Below the script, a table lists various goals and their status.

Goal ID	Goal Name	Status	Policy Group
P	Objective Function Varying Run Times	✓	Policy Group
G	Hourly Energy Definition	✓	Goal
G	For Solution Analysis Only!!!!!!	✗	Goal
G	Block Objective	✓	Goal
G	Hourly Value Definition	✓	Goal
G	Hourly Block Objective	✓	Goal
G	Load Leveling	✗	Goal

# Results

- Realistic Generation at 1-Unit Plants
- More Accurate Marginal Costs
- Energy Shifted to More Valuable Days

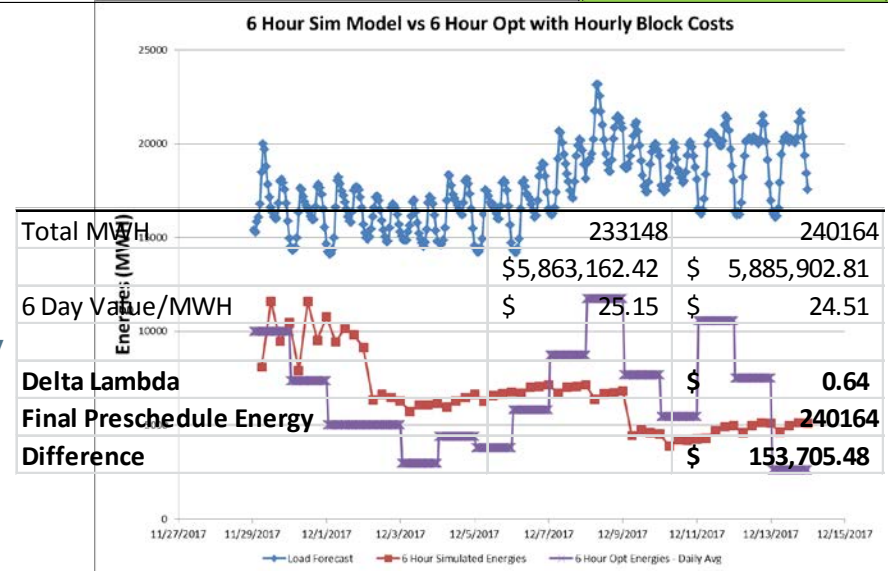
		15-Day Run
6-Hour Block Cost	Value (\$)	11,463,000
	Generation (MWH)	517,900
	Average Value (\$/MWH)	22.13
Hourly Block Cost	Value (\$)	10,978,000
	Generation (MWH)	500,300
	Average Value (\$/MWH)	21.94



# Results


- Buy-In Important
  - Reran Opt Model with Approx. Total Energy
  - Compared to Sim Model
  - No Rain in Forecast
  - Total Cost = \$140,000
- For good measure
  - Compared Estimated Hourly Energy in 6-Hour Model to Final Preschedule
  - Cost > \$150,000 for 6 Days

Simulation	Total Value	\$ 8,833,117	
	Total Energy	395183	MWH
	Average Value	\$ 22.35	\$/MWH
6 Hour Opt; Match MWH	Total Value	\$ 8,950,107	
	Total Energy	394340	MWH
	Average Value	\$ 22.70	\$/MWH



# Hydro Value Analysis (Post Operation)

- Valuation of “Special Operations”
- Currently Fortran Exe
- Migrating to RiverWare
  - Base Model is Hourly (Preschedule) Model
  - Currently Prototyping

Select a reservoir:		Chickamauga 	
View Details			


  

Export Details									
Hour	Price	Actual	Optimal	Ramp/Pulse	Recreation	Outage	Special Ops	HydroThermal	Unforced Spill
01	32.77	42.92	80.37	80.37	80.37	0.00	42.00	42.00	42.00
02	33.78	42.26	80.37	80.37	80.37	0.00	42.00	42.00	42.00
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13	26.10	82.87	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
14	25.01	82.81	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	69.69	69.69	69.69
15	24.99	83.02	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
16	26.09	82.97	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
17	30.66	83.07	80.37	80.37	80.37	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
18	34.57	83.08	80.37	80.37	80.37	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
19	32.51	82.92	80.37	80.37	80.37	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
20	32.16	83.14	80.37	80.37	80.37	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
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22	28.60	82.54	55.65	55.65	55.65	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
23	25.10	84.24	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	80.37	80.37	80.37
24	24.95	43.25	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Total	768.61	1606.16	1557.24	1557.24	1557.24	0.00	1579.07	1579.07	1579.07



# Hydro Value Analysis Implementation

- Iterative process
  - Likely to Use MRM Runs
  - Alternative Options
    - > Scripting and Lists (Looping)
    - > Batch Script
- Output = Energies
- Post-Opt Processing
  - Computation of Cost/Value

Select a reservoir:	Chickamauga 
View Details	

Export Details									
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# Future Uses of Hydro Value Analysis

- Pre-Operation Analyses
  - Evaluate Alternative Start Times for Special Operations
    - > Adds Stakeholder value
  - Weigh Cost of Lost Generation
- Pre-Operations Evaluation of Cost for Maintenance Outages

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# Lessons Learned in This Process

- Aggregating data can result in a bad solution if the effect spans the time frame of interest
- Sub-timestep computation can greatly improve the solution while adding little computation time
- Review RPL Analysis data
  - Computed operating head multiple times for each timestep
    - > Now computed once and passed to other functions
    - > (saved ~10 seconds on RBS)
- Predefined functions are often more efficient
  - Switching to the internal “GetSelectedUserMethod” shaved 20+ seconds off RBS

