PWSU-CIWG Research Need Update

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Temperature

- Utility Needs: Daily and Monthly Max, Seasonal Change
 - How seasonal temp. forecast impact irrigation demand
 - Cooling demand changes
- Available tools: NOAA forecast, SECC, AgroClimate.com
- Current Research:
 - COAPS/USGS-La Florida & COAPS/ORAU Projects
 - Drought Index/irrigation forecast using CPC 3-month outlook
- Research Needs: Urban ET Estimate with temp. Impact, EDA on temp vs. demand across different sector

Rainfall Impact

• Utility Needs:

- Long-term rainfall forecasts, 10, 20, 50 years
- Long-term change in pattern in Florida
- Change in length of wet and dry season
- Available tools: Global Climate models, AR4 etc.

• Current Research:

Downscaled GFS and CFS forecasts

Research Needs:

- Demand vs. rainfall, r/p between rainfall and temperature for demand forecast
- Changes in hydroperiod, & development of indicators

Storms/Hurricanes

- Utility Needs:
 - Model inundation damage/storm surge impacts
 - Storm/inundation impact on salt water intrusion
 - Hurricane track with 10 -15 days lead time
- Available tools: couple surface/groundwater models.
- Current Research:
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- Research Needs:
 - Coupled surge/surface/ground water to better predict surge impact on SWI