

Generating a Telescoping (Quadtree) Grid in SMS 13.1

Open previously saved project to start from.

File | Open → Directory “Workshop\Initial\Aftercoastline”

The screenshot displays the SMS 13.1 software interface. On the left, an 'Open' dialog box is open, showing the 'AfterCoastline' directory. The file list includes 'Base', '.Base.sms.save_log', 'Base.map', 'Base.materials', 'Base.sms' (selected), 'Base_dynamicDb.db3', and 'Base_Merged ALL.h5'. The main window shows the 'Project' tree on the left with the following structure:

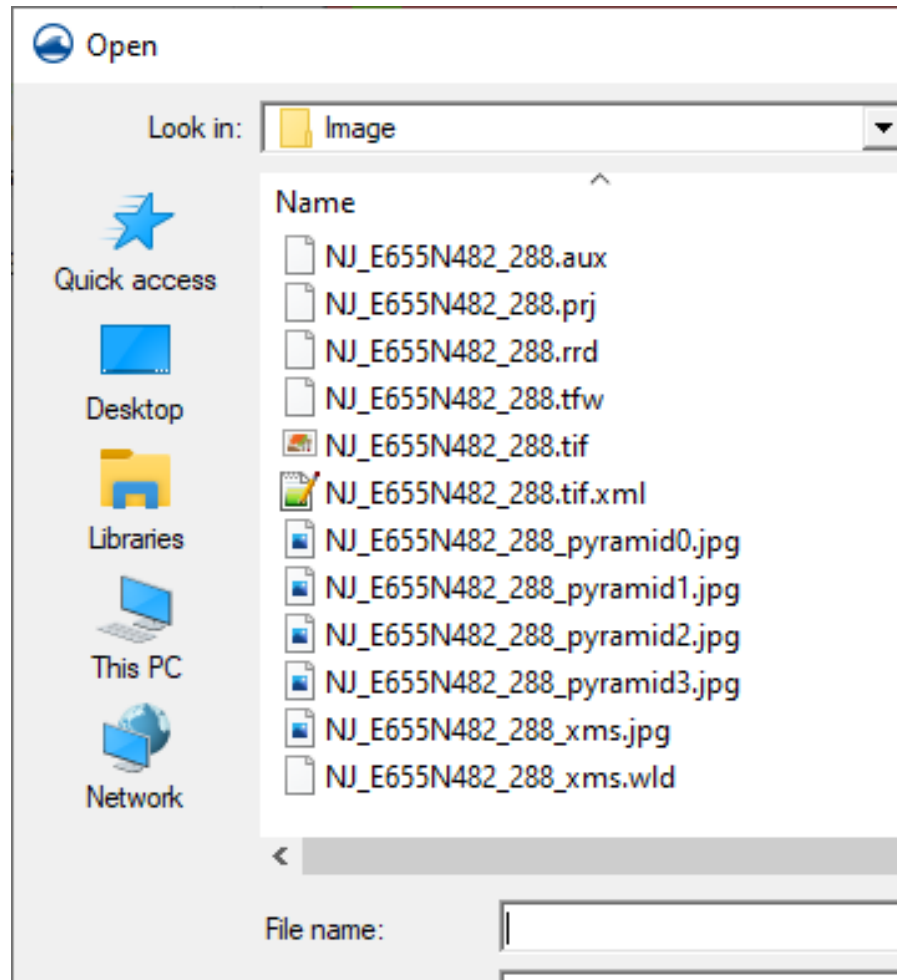
- Project
 - Scatter Data
 - Merged ALL
 - z
 - Map Data
 - Area Property
 - Boundary Conditions
 - Activity Classification
 - Quadtree Generator

The right side of the main window displays a color-coded map titled 'Scatter Module z'. A color scale on the left of the map ranges from -20.00 (blue) to 5.00 (red). The map shows a coastal area with a yellow/orange region in the center and a blue region on the right. A black outline represents the coastline, and a purple rectangle highlights a specific area of interest.

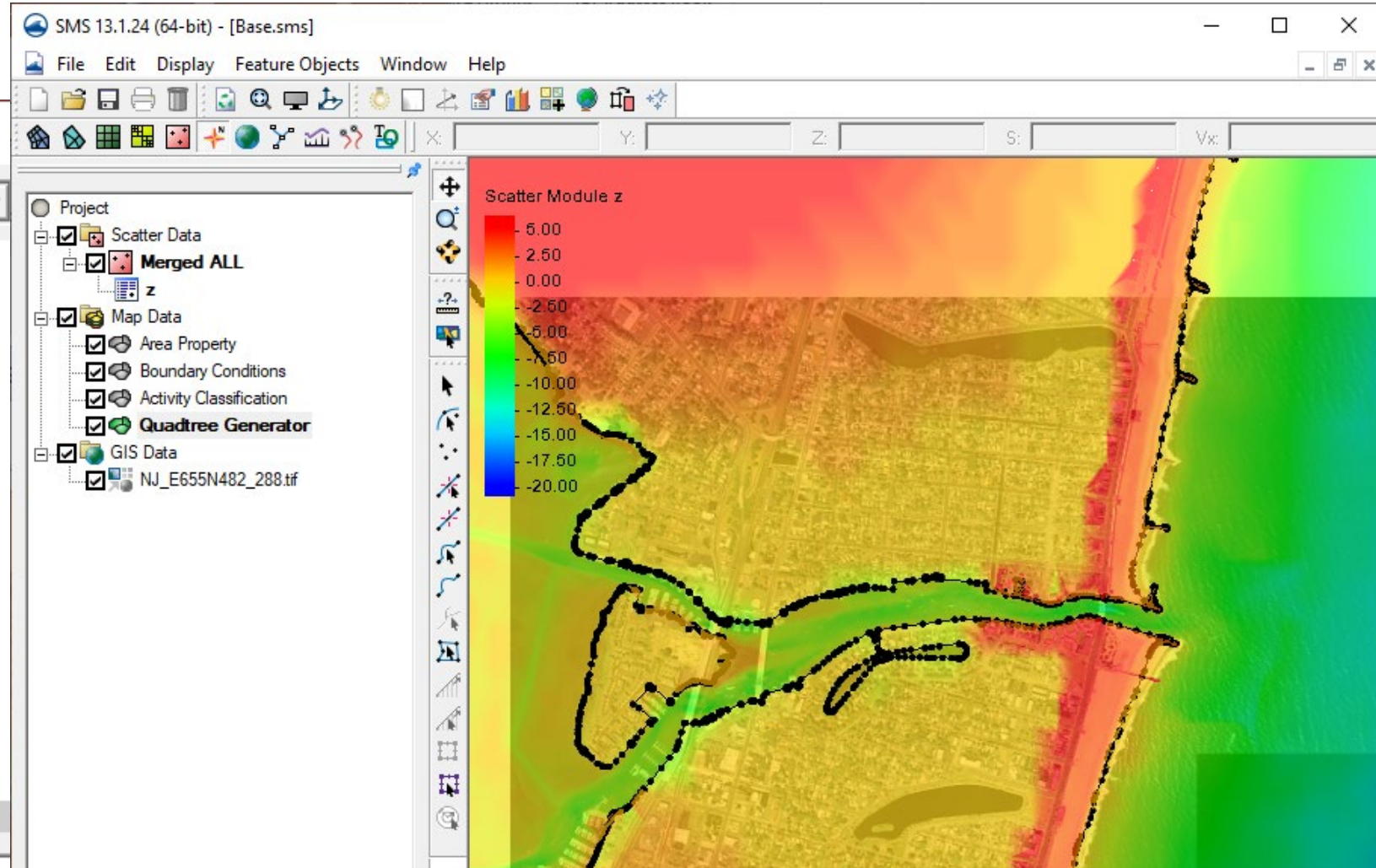
Note: Your display options may be set differently than shown.

Open a rectified image to display with loaded data

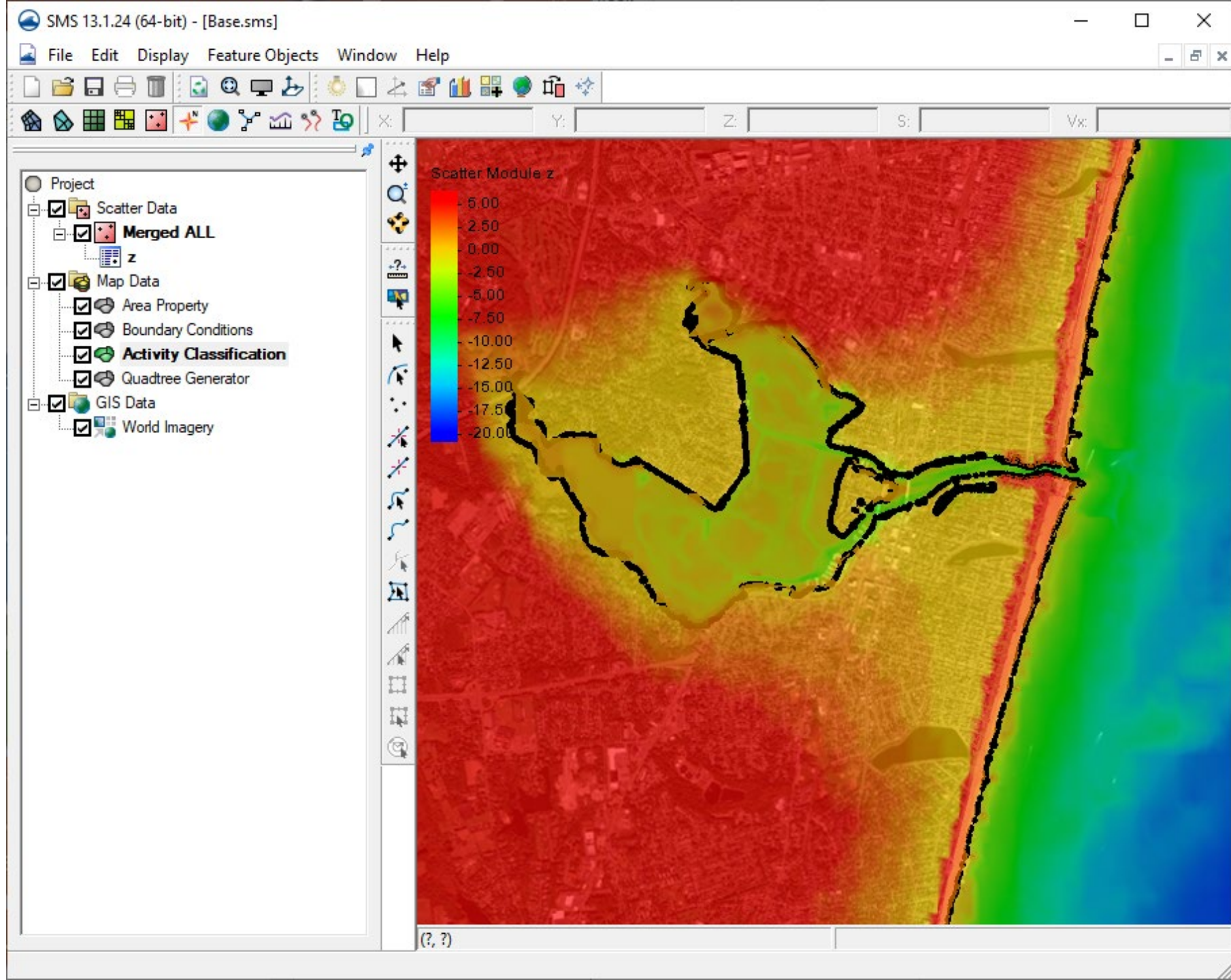
File | Open → Directory “Workshop\Image”



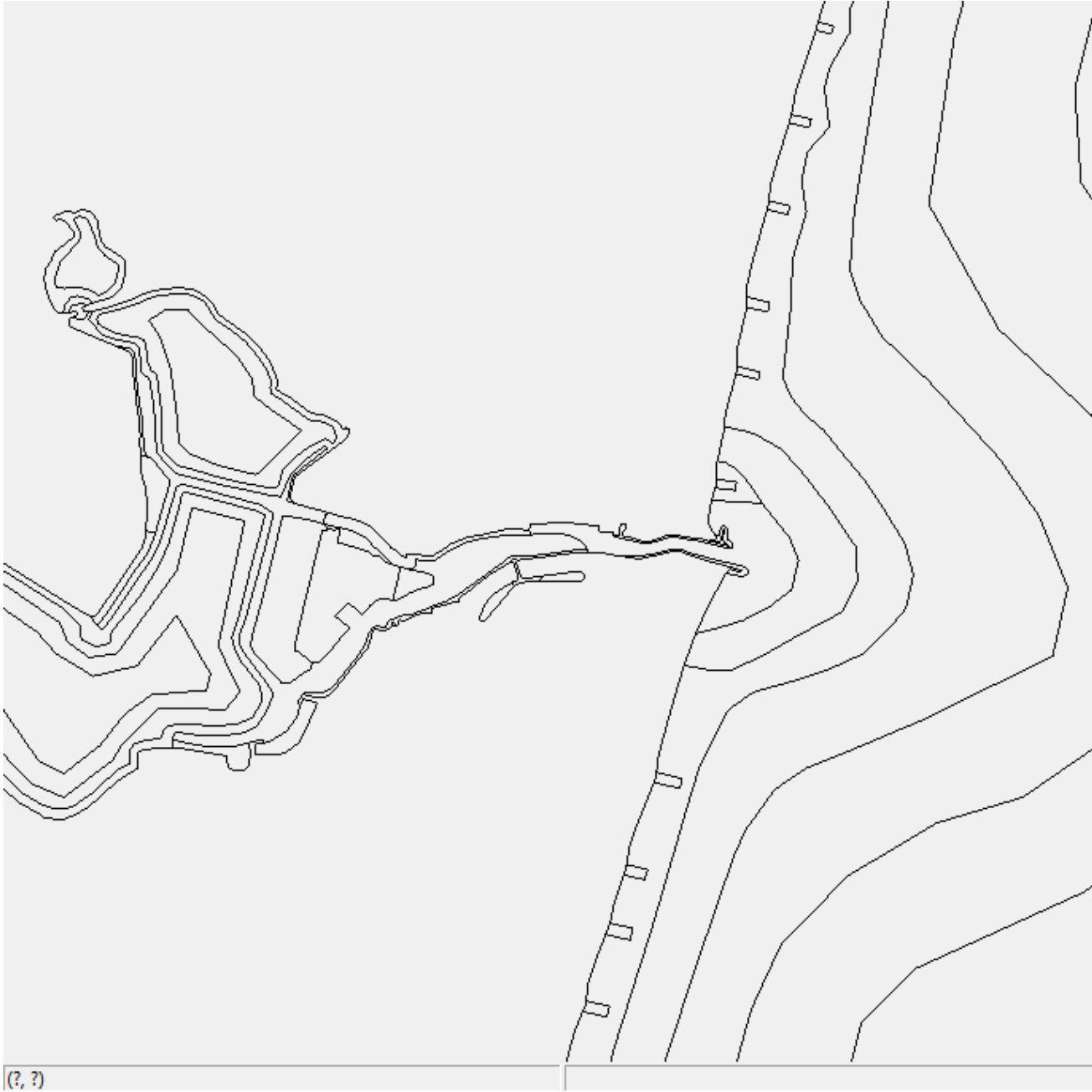
Zoom to full image by right-clicking on the image in the data tree and choose “Zoom to extents”



Note: Use a transparency value in Display Options to see through the filled bathymetry contours.



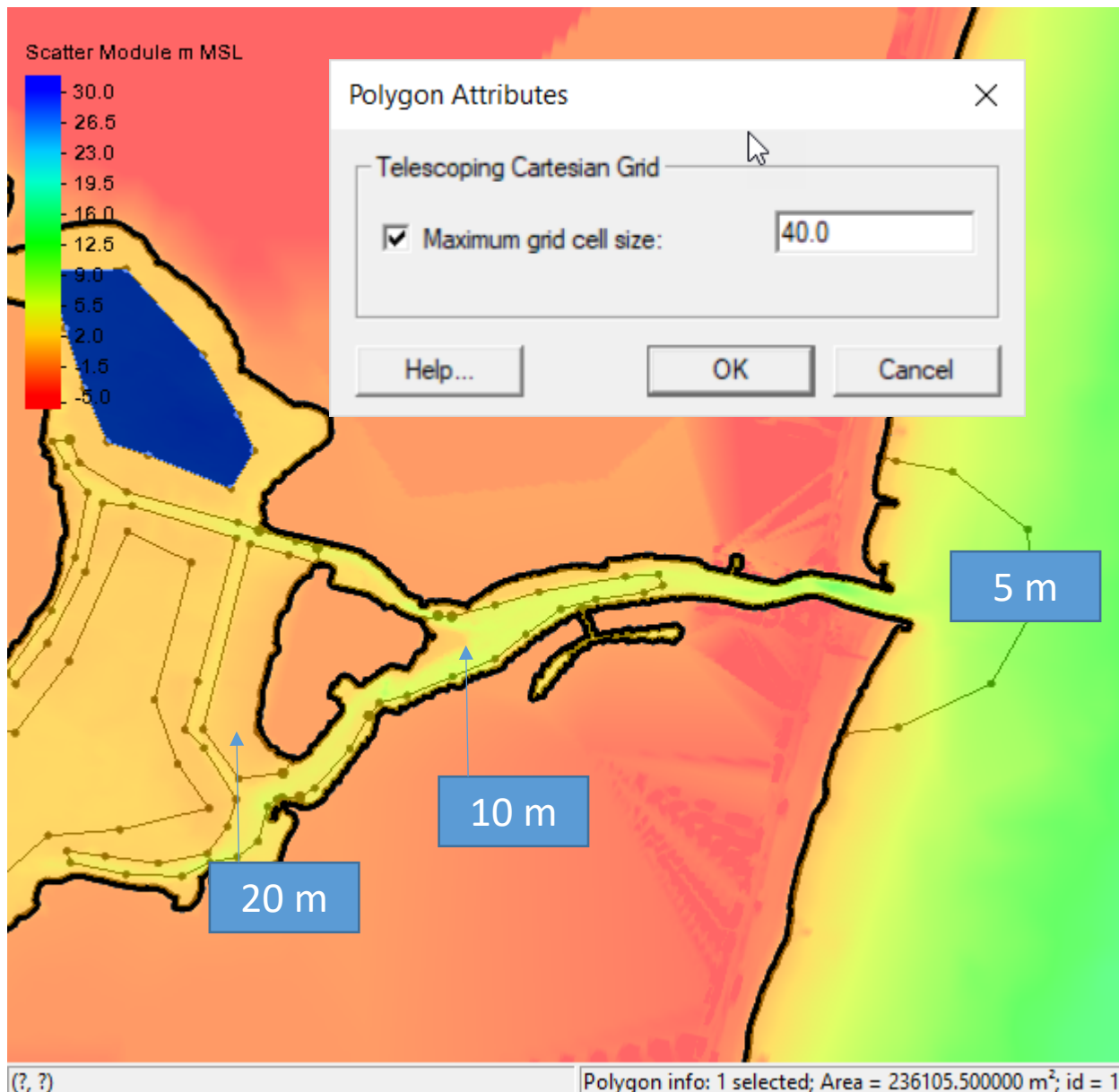
Quadtree Resolution Areas



Resolution for Telescoping grids is done with polygons. Resolution within each polygon will have a set maximum refinement. There can be a transition region as polygons of different cell sizes interact.

An example of the final resolution map for the Shark River Project is shown to the left.

Each polygon can have a different cell size specified. Special attention is given to areas such as inlet throat, jetties, groins, constrictions of flow in the bay, bridges, etc.



Using the Create Feature Arc tool, create arcs to delineate the areas for resolution. Each zone must form a polygon (no gaps in arcs around the zone).

To set the resolution, click Feature Objects | Build Polygons, select each polygon and right-click and choose attributes.

Check the box named “Maximum grid cell size” and enter a value (units are relative to the horizontal projection).

Example values are shown to the left.

Map -> Quadtree Grid

Grid name:

Origin, Orientation and Dimensions

Origin X: Angle: I size: m

Origin Y: J size: m

Target minimum cell size: m Adjust base cell size:

I Cell Options

Define telescoping base cell sizes

☒ Base cell size: m

☐ Number of cells:

J Cell Options

Define telescoping base cell sizes

☒ Base cell size: m

☐ Number of cells:

Depth Options

Source: m MSL

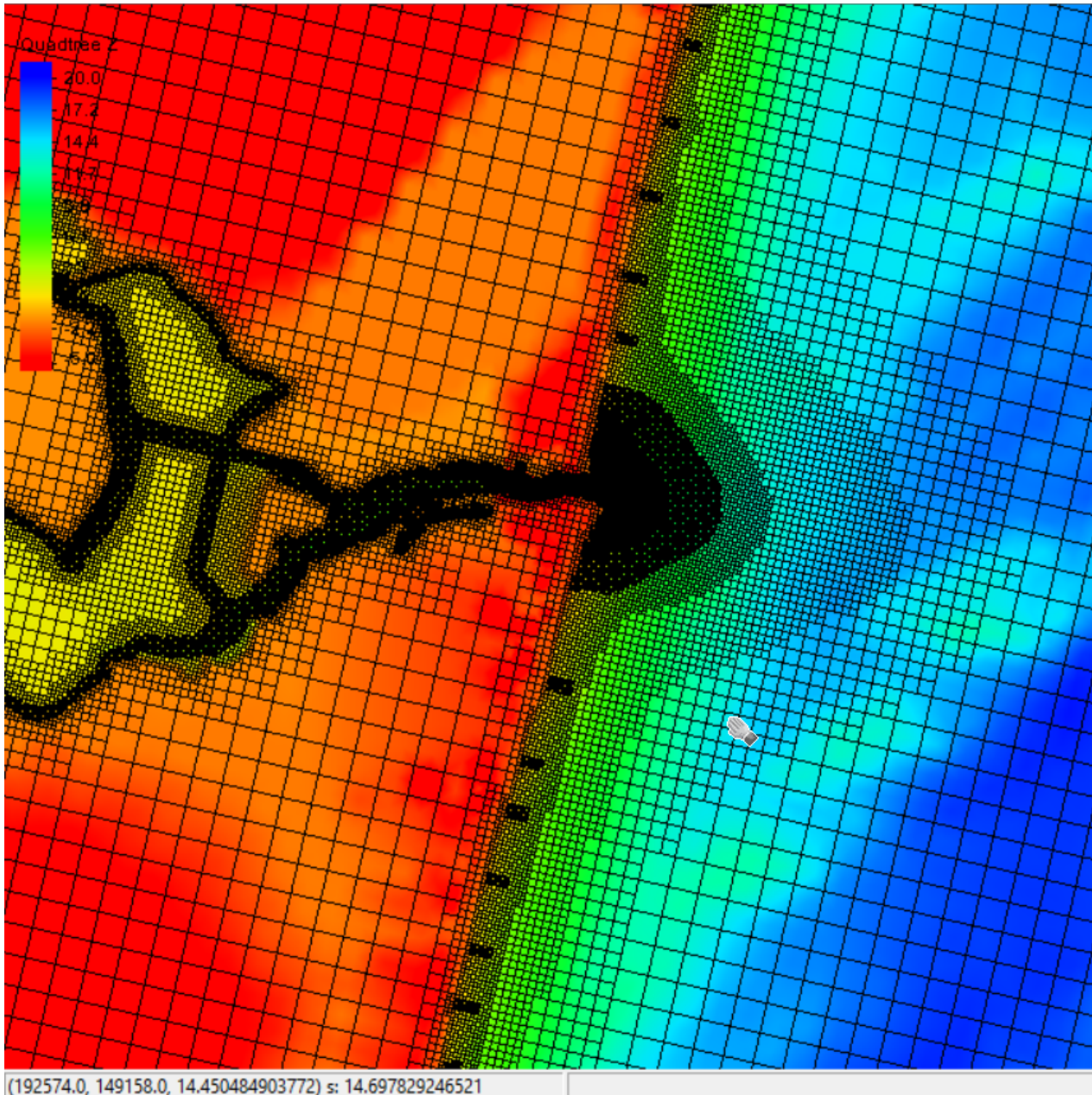
☒ Use Depths

When ready to try to build a grid, SAVE the project first, so you do not lose any work if the program crashes.

Right-click on the Quadtree coverage and choose Convert | Map -> Quadtree Grid

The top part is the same as when the quadtree grid frame was created.

- Enter a maximum (base) cell size for areas where no resolution zones are specified.
- Set the source for the bathymetry to be your scatter point set.
- Click OK and examine the resulting grid.



You may need to go into Display Options and show the grid cells to see the resolution.

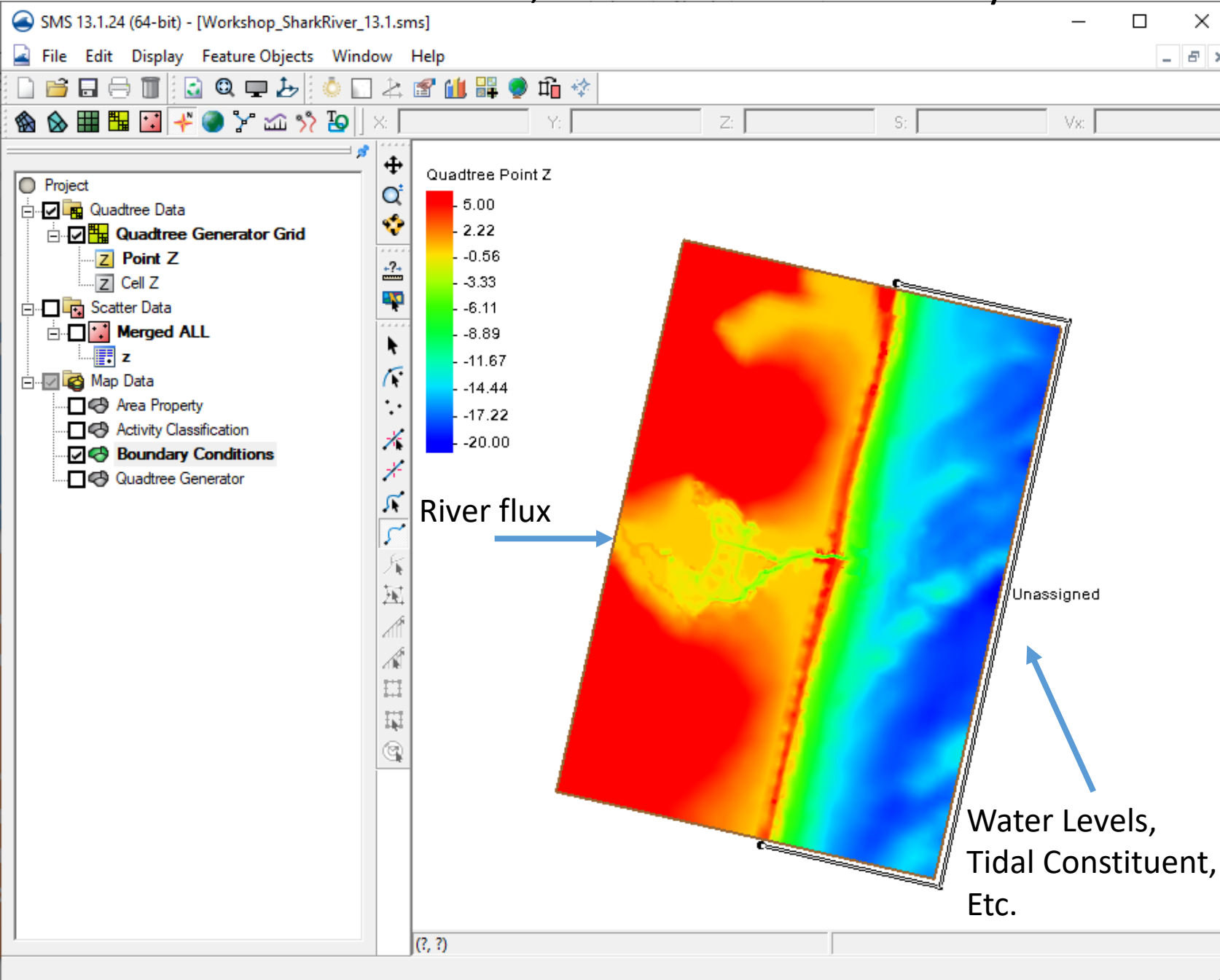
Tips for Telescoping Grids:

1. Transition of 2-4 cells per cell resolution change (any direction)
2. Channels with substantial currents (and transport) should be refined with ~10 cells; main inlet may need closer to 20 cells at flow confluence points.
3. Structures with variable morphology (e.g. rubble mound) may need extra resolution around edges
4. Resolution may be necessary in areas of rapid wetting/drying (e.g. wetlands) and sediment transport (e.g. nearshore)

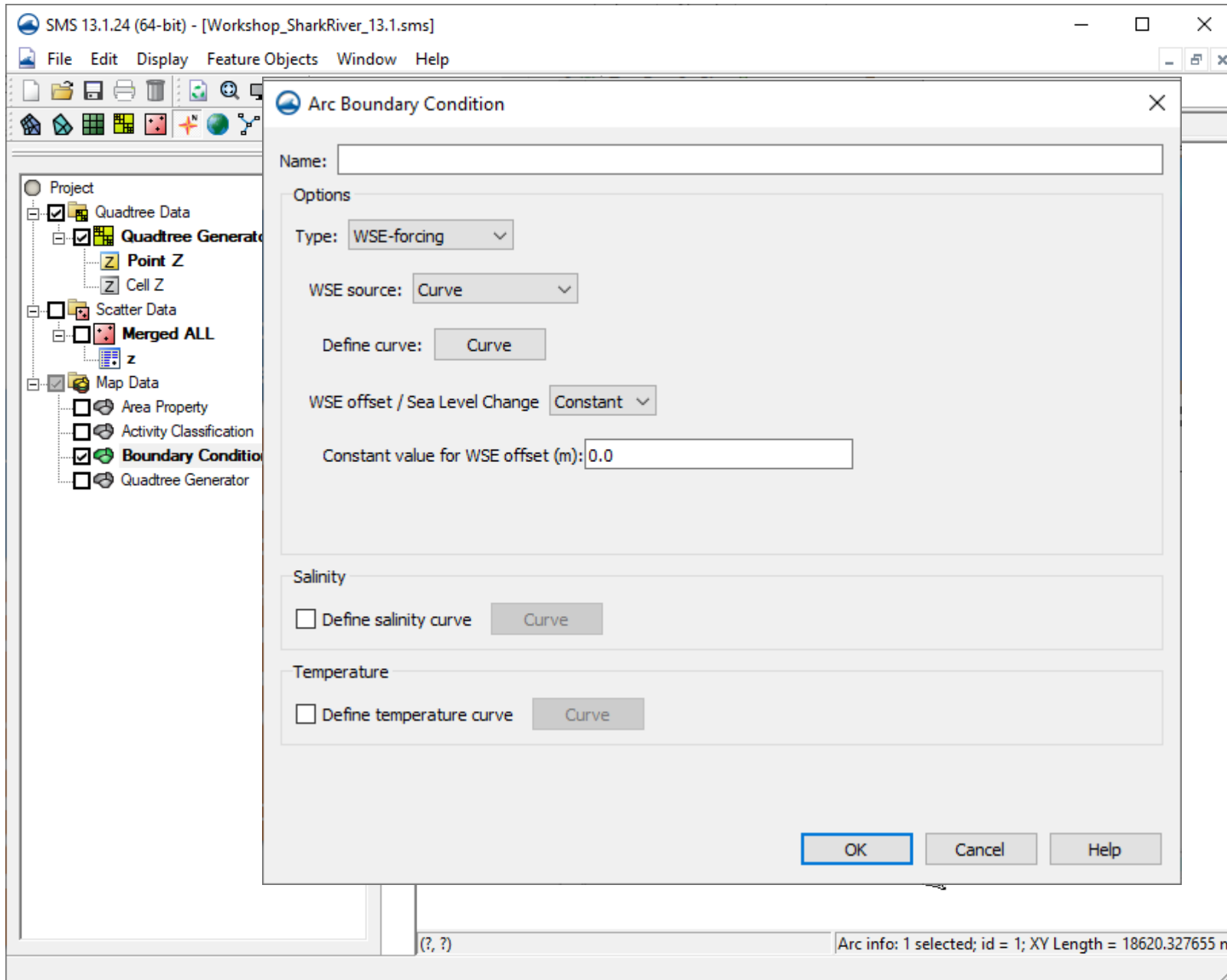
Next, we define the boundary conditions (forcing).

- Boundary forcing comes in from the edges by way of Feature Arcs of specific types.

- Select the *Boundary Condition* coverage, then the Create Feature Arc tool. 
- Click in the approximate location for the type of forcing and create an arc for the boundary condition.



Water Surface Elevation Boundary Condition



- Select the Select Feature Arc tool.
- Click, right click on the arc created.



- Choose *Assign Boundary Conditions* and select the appropriate boundary type. Choose the type “WSE-forcing” and for the source, choose “Curve”.

Water Surface Elevation Boundary Condition

Arc Boundary Condition

Name:

Options

Type: WSE-forcing

WSE source: Curve

Define curve: Curve

WSE offset / Sea Level Change: Constant

Constant value for WSE offset (m): 0.0

Salinity

☐ Define salinity curve Curve

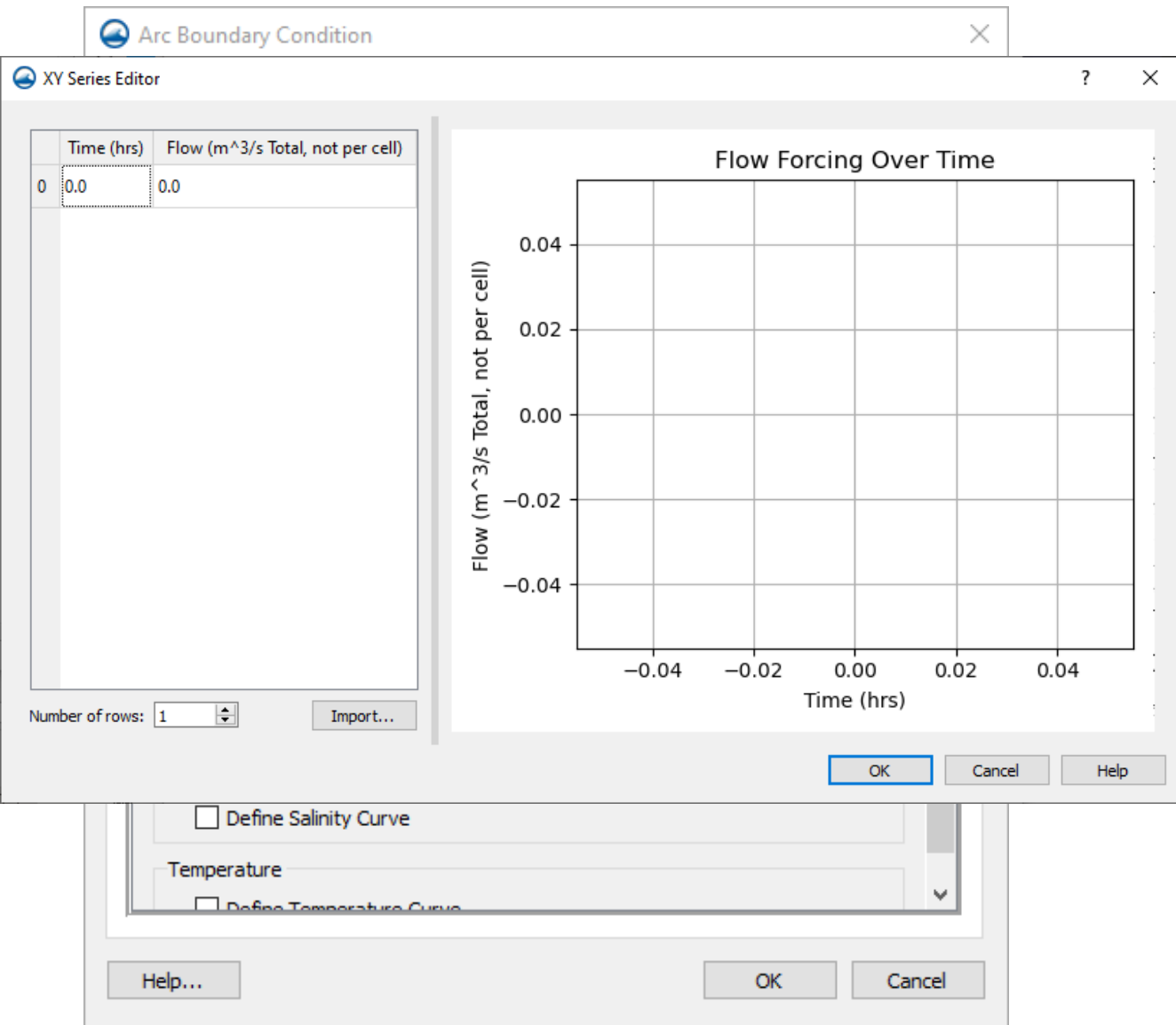
Temperature

☐ Define temperature curve Curve

OK Cancel Help

- Click the “Define curve...” box.
- Enter values for time and elevation. This can be by hand, cut/paste from spreadsheet, or importing a file.
- Let’s import a file with the data.
- Click “Import” and find the file named “WLforcing.xls” which is in the CMS_Grid_Creation directory.
- Click “Open”. Click “Ok” to finish.
- A Name is optional.
- The WSE offset is optional.
- Click OK.

River Flux Boundary Condition (unused now, explanation only)



- For River flux, choose the type “Flow rate-forcing”
- Choose either a “Constant” or “Curve.”
- Note: Flux values differ from previous versions of SMS/CMS. All flux values are Total Flux per arc, and not per cell in the arc.
- The curve is set up the same way as WSE elevation boundary condition.

- A Name is optional.
- Inflow direction should be approximate in degrees clockwise from North. (This will be optional in a future update.)
- The Conveyance coefficient can be modified from the default.

Tidal/Harmonic Boundary Condition (unused now, explanation only)

Arc Boundary Condition

Options

Name:

Type: WSE-forcing

WSE Source: Tidal Constituent

Inflow direction:

Constituents:

	Constituent	Amplitude (m)	Phase (deg)
1	M2	0	0
2	S2	0	0
3	N2	0	0
4	K1	0	0
5	O1	0	0

☐ Copy/Paste Mode Import... Export... Insert Above Insert Below Delete

WSE offset:

☐ Salinity

Help... OK Cancel

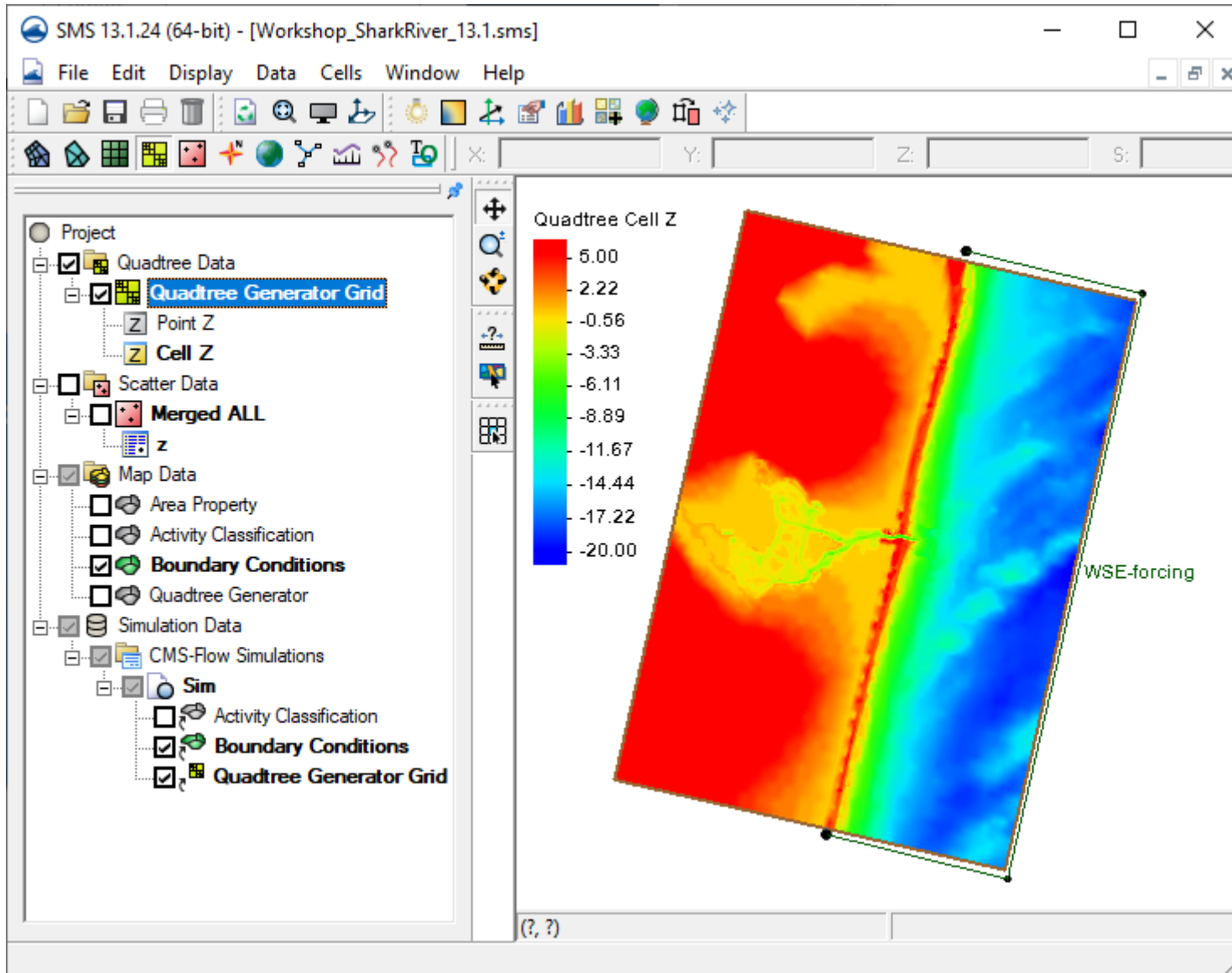
- For Tidal Constituent or Harmonic forcing, select the type “WSE-forcing” and the source as needed. Add rows as needed to represent the constituents desired.
- Harmonic has no temporal connection to the start date/time, Tidal does.

- A Name is optional.
- Inflow direction should be approximate in degrees clockwise from North. (This will be removed in a future update.)
- The WSE Offset is optional.

Steps for Running CMS-Flow

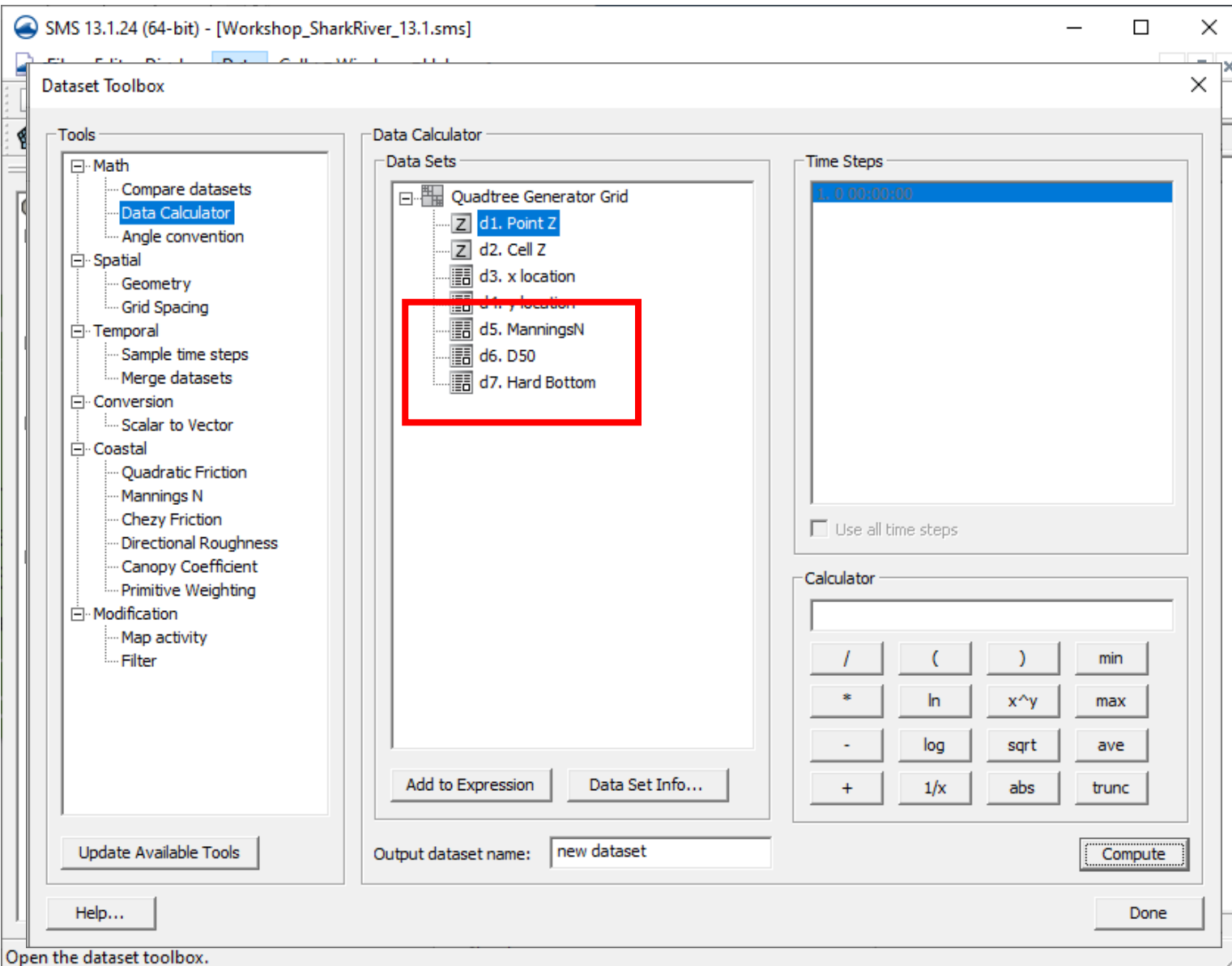
Create a new simulation

- Right click in open space at bottom of data tree to pull up a dialog.
- Choose 'CMS-Flow'
- Right click on each object to 'Apply To' the simulation
 - Activity Classification
 - Boundary Conditions
 - CMS-Grid (not coverage)



Steps for Running CMS-Flow

Creating new Datasets for Model Control



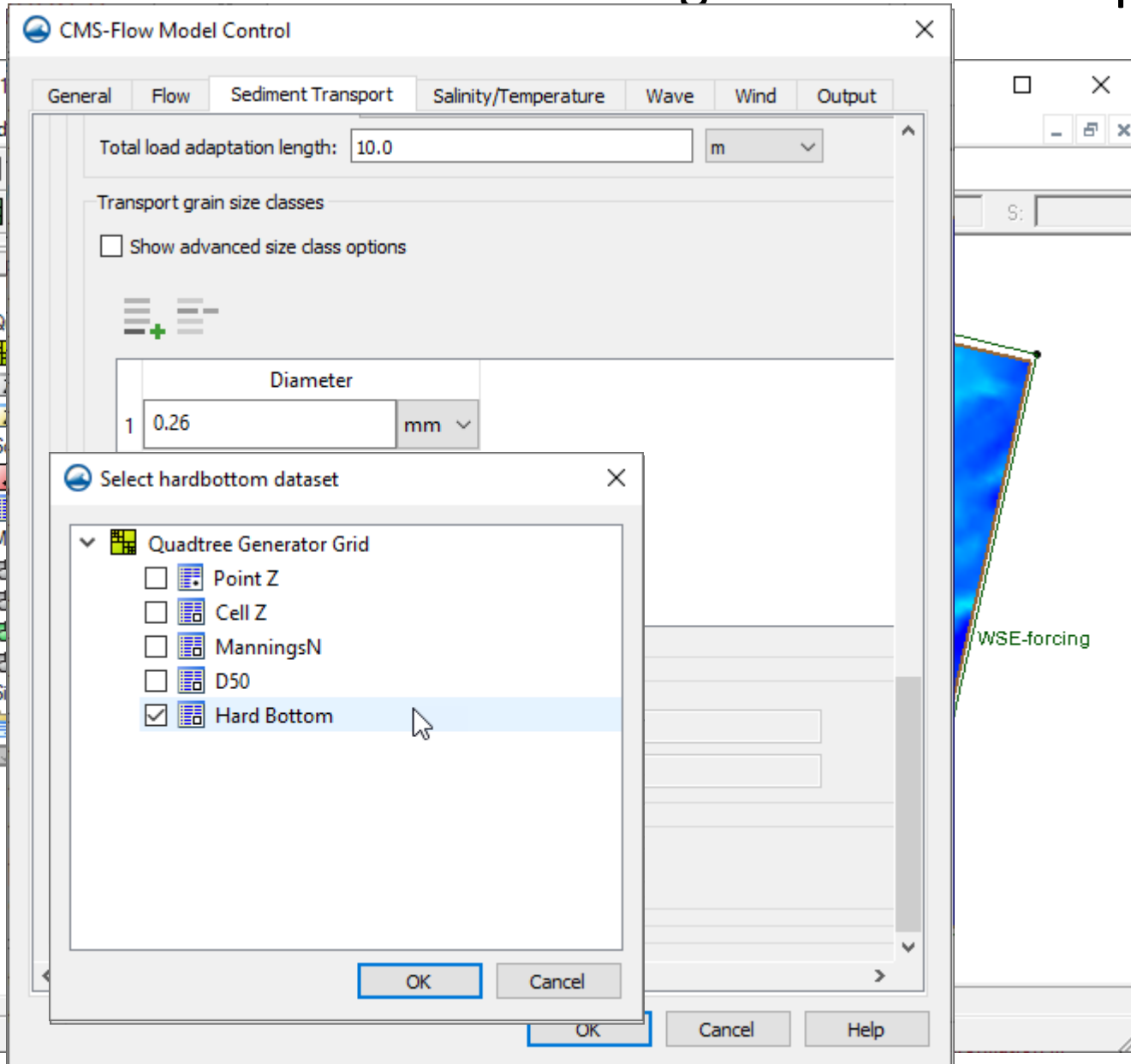
- Several datasets should be created to associate with CMS Processes.
- These are:
 - Bottom Friction
 - Sediment percentile distribution (D50)
 - Hard Bottom designation
- This is done with the Dataset Toolbox | Dataset Calculator

Steps for Running CMS-Flow

Defining Model Control parameters

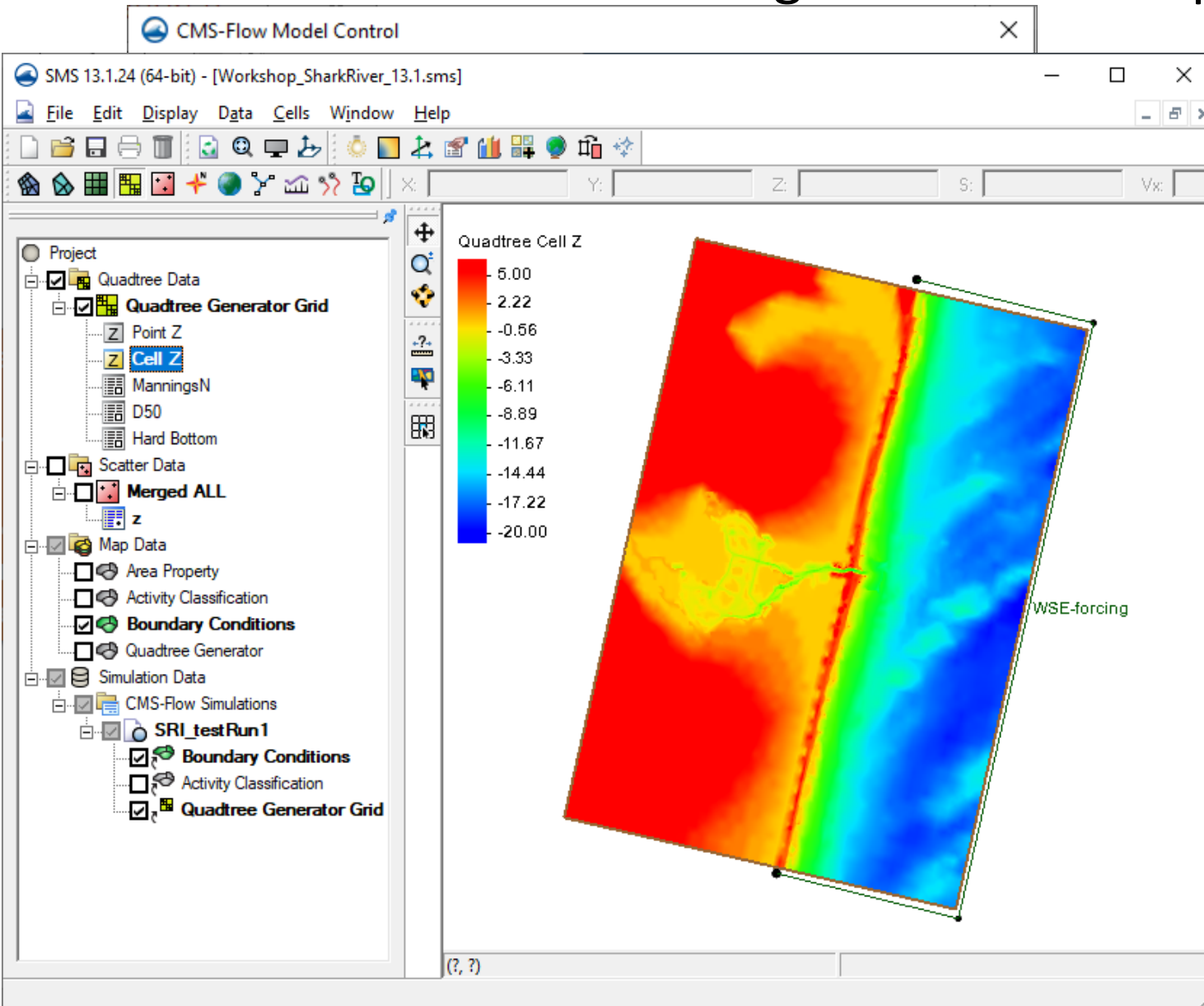
- Rename 'Sim' something meaningful (Right click, rename)
- Right click on simulation and choose Model Control.

- Change values as needed on each tab.
- Select the 'ManningsN' dataset on Flow tab, then click OK.
- On Sediment Transport tab, scroll to Bed Composition, and assign 'D50' dataset to Bed Layer 1.
- Scroll down to bottom of tab to add a Transport grain size
- Add Hard Bottom dataset.



Steps for Running CMS-Flow

Defining Model Control parameters



- Change Simulation label, if desired.
- Change increment and end times for List 1, 2, and 3.
- Change List to use for Morphology and Transport
- Click OK to Exit Model Control

Steps for Running CMS-Flow

Save Project, Save Simulation, Run Simulation

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File Edit Display

Simulation Run Queue

Maximum number of concurrent processes allowed: 4

▼ SRI_testRun1 0% Abort

> CMS-Flow (running) 0%

☒ Monitoring data

Monitoring data for simulation: SRI_testRun1

Command line Residual Plot

WSE(57350)= -0.0007, U(19269)= 0.006, V(19261)= 0.004

Sediment: iter Ctk_res

1 0.0000E+00

1 0.0000E+00

Forcing ramp % = 0.30

ntime= 5, dt= 600.000, time= 3.00000E+03, Active Cells=374

Flow: iter p_res U_res V_res

1 6.1743E-06 6.2314E-05 5.4580E-05

10 1.8588E-08 3.0874E-06 1.9305E-06

17 8.4262E-10 8.6854E-08 8.3182E-08

WSE(2401)= -0.0009, U(19269)= 0.008, V(19261)= 0.005

Sediment: iter Ctk_res

1 0.0000E+00

1 0.0000E+00

Forcing ramp % = 0.43

ntime= 6, dt= 600.000, time= 3.60000E+03, Active Cells=374

Flow: iter p_res U_res V_res

Simulation Run Queue

Maximum number of concurrent processes allowed: 4

▼ SRI_testRun1 5% Abort Remove

> CMS-Flow (running) 5%

☒ Monitoring data

Monitoring data for simulation: SRI_testRun1

Command line Residual Plot

Mass Residual

Time(seconds)

Pressure U V

Modified	Type	Size
10/22 2:39 PM	CMCARDS File	5 KB
10/22 2:39 PM	TEL File	7,737 KB
10/22 2:39 PM	HDF5 Data File	1,362 KB
10/22 2:39 PM	HDF5 Data File	126 KB