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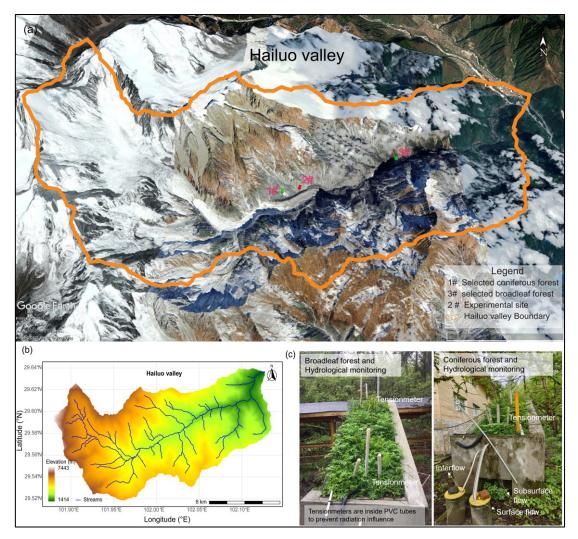
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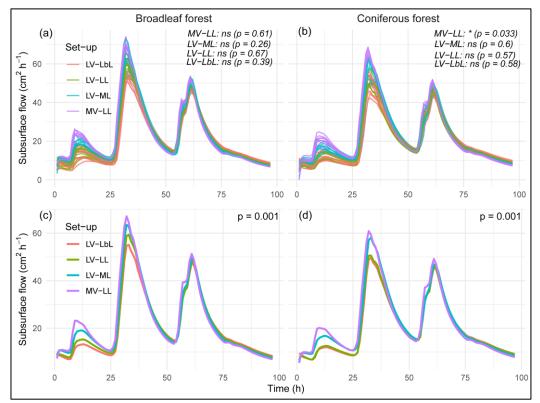
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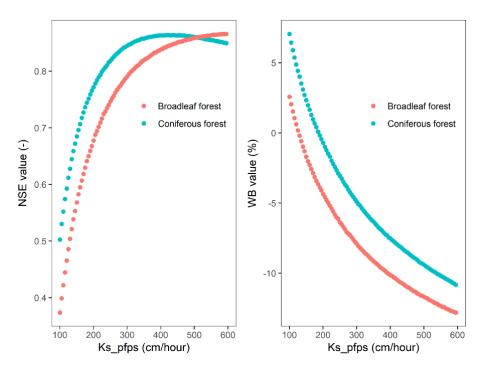
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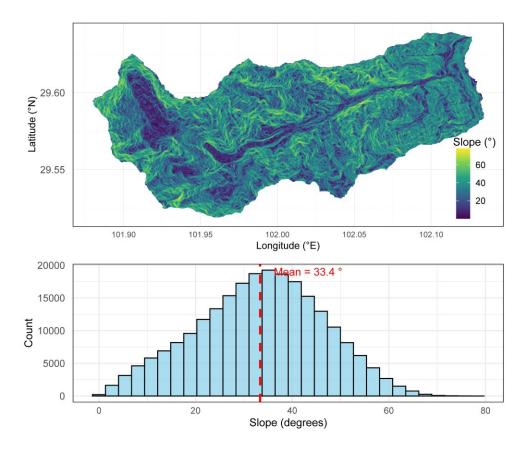
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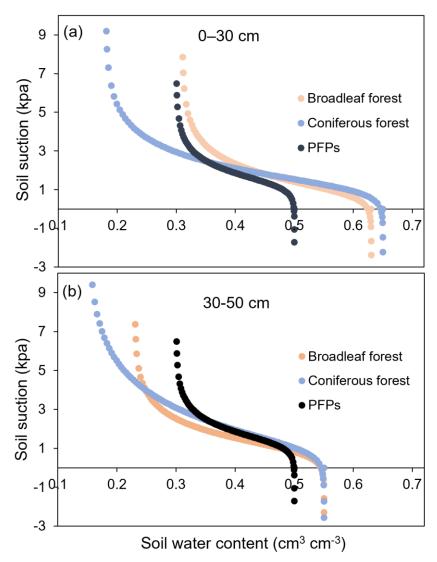
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	Coniferous forest						Broadleaf forest					
Set- ups	Peak	flow ti	ming	Peak flow			Peak flow timing			Peak flow		
	(hr)			magnitude			(hr)			magnitude		
				$(cm^2 hr^{-1})$						$(cm^2 hr^{-1})$		
	1 <sup>st</sup>	$2^{nd}$	$3^{rd}$	1 <sup>st</sup>	$2^{nd}$	$3^{rd}$	1 <sup>st</sup>	$2^{nd}$	$3^{rd}$	1 <sup>st</sup>	$2^{nd}$	$3^{\text{rd}}$
LV-	14.11	32.99	61.72	9.30	46.37	44.90	13.15	32.51	61.31	11.00	54.59	47.70
LbL												
LV-LL	13.62	32.81	61.23	11.50	48.16	44.94	13.23	32.44	61.23	13.81	55.20	47.03
LV-	14.62	33.26	62.19	12.95	52.50	44.39	13.74	33.75	62.21	15.10	61.37	47.03
ML												
Mean	14.12	33.02	61.71	11.25	49.01	44.74	13.37	32.90	61.58	13.30	57.05	47.25
LV-	12.48	31.00	60.31	16.81	64.03	53.33	-	-	-	<u>-</u>	-	_
LbL-G												
LV-	9.65	31.13	60.15	19.49	62.98	53.13	9.18	31.23	60.23	23.45	67.13	54.55
LL-G												
LV-	9.50	31.51	60.54	23.54	65.80	51.21	9.40	31.48	60.38	24.39	63.91	51.18
ML-G												
Mean	10.54	31.21	60.33	19.95	64.27	52.56	9.29	31.36	60.31	23.92	65.52	52.87