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Workflow to evaluate potential lava flow thermal hazard to buried infrastructure

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Outline

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Background on the DEVORA scenarios

Update to the scenarios

Buried infrastructure hazard

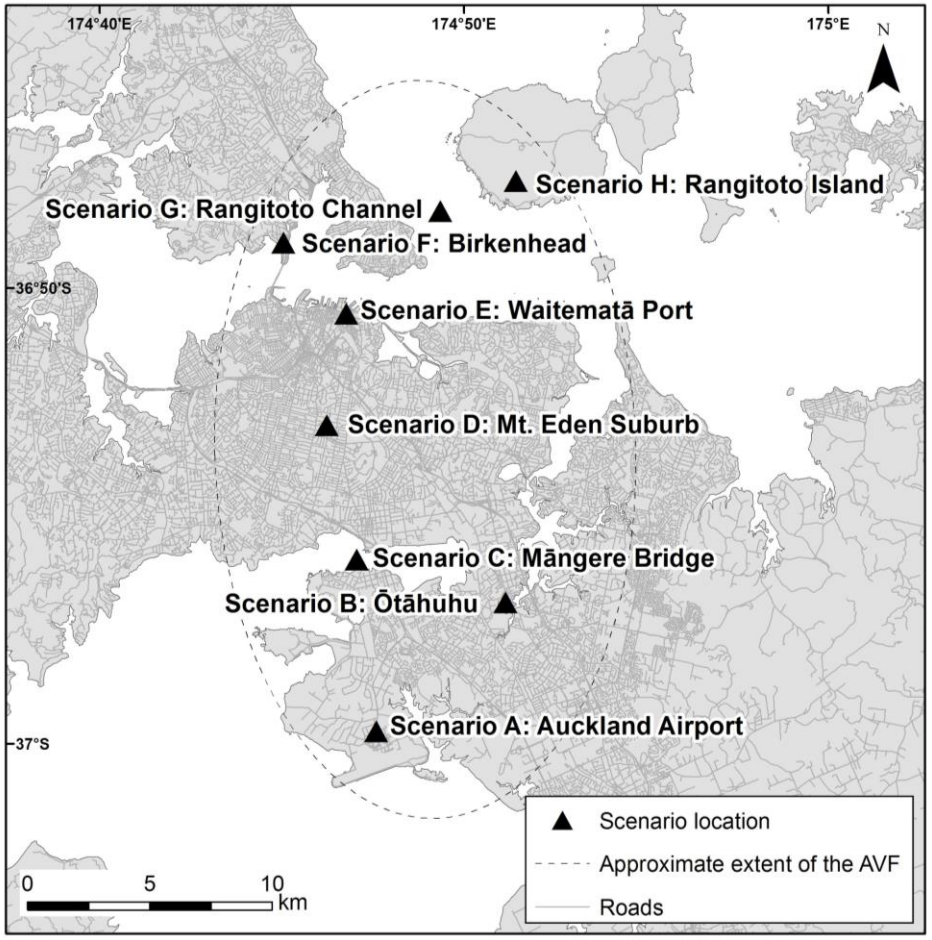
    Method to evaluate thermal hazard

Case study: Birkenhead

DEVORA Scenarios

- Eight hypothetical eruptive sequences
- Multi-hazard modelling undertaken
- Represent the full range of possible eruptive phenomena & hazard intensities
- Hazard occurrence based on how frequently they have previously occurred

N.B. Scenario C/Māngere Bridge is the Exercise Ruamoko sequence



From: Hayes et al. (2018; GNS report), Hayes et al. *in prep*

Updating the lava flow modelling

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Lava flows were included in four of the seven new sequences

Original modelling:

- Hand-drawn based on expert elicitation
    - On DSMs
- Outputs:
    - Flow footprint over time
    - Advancement rate

Lava flow modelling for three of the four sequences was quantitatively modelled

New modelling:

- MOLASSES
    - Undertaken on DEMs & DSMs
- Outputs:
    - Flow footprint
    - Flow thickness

Comparison

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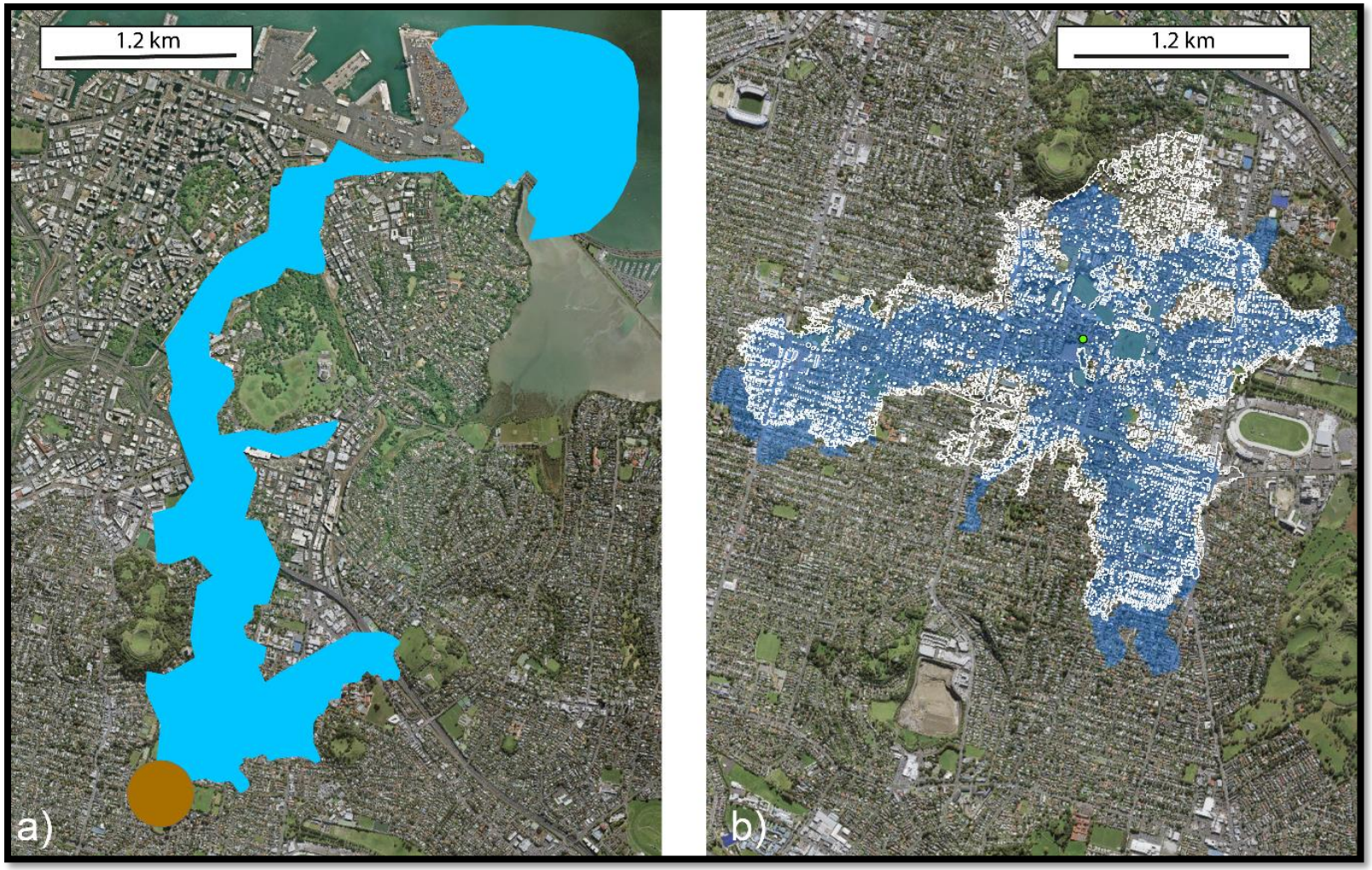

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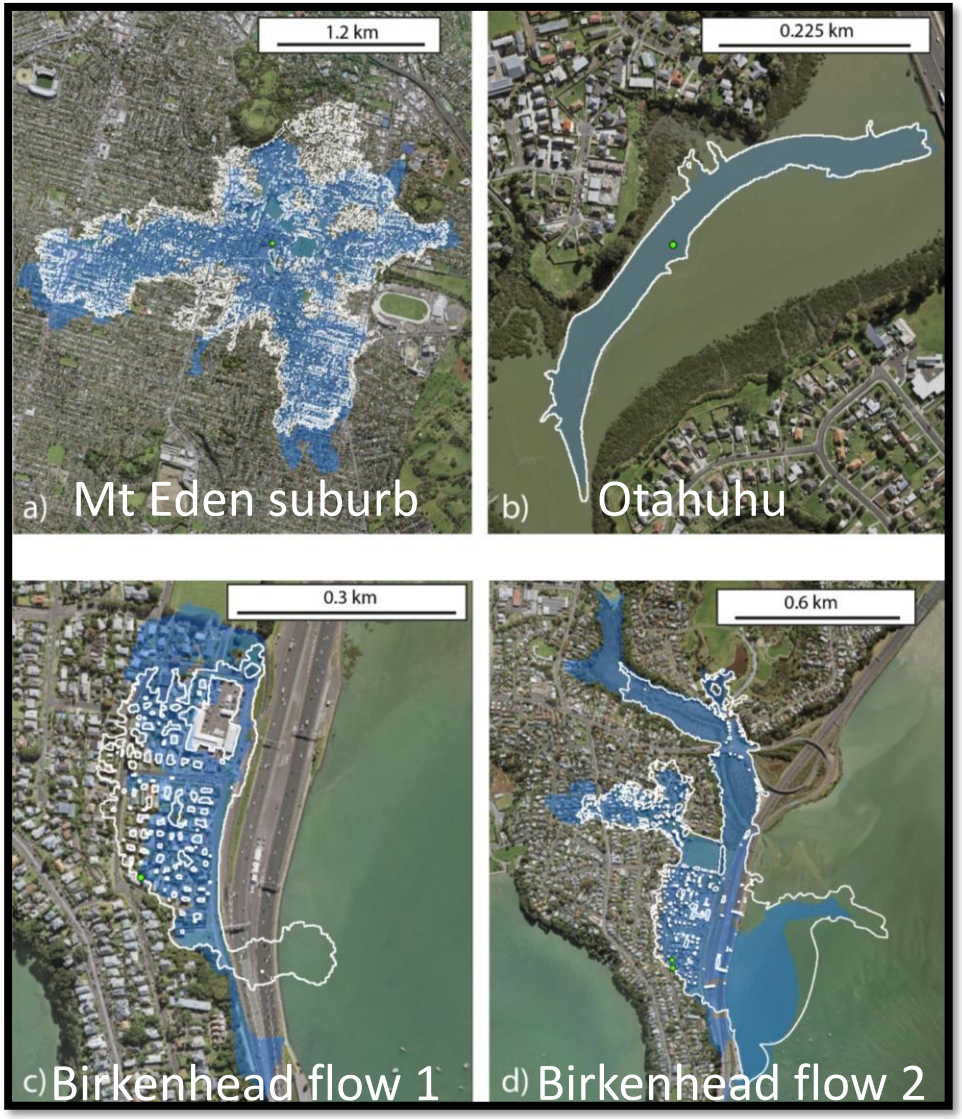
Footprints

DEM run (blue)
DSM run (white outline)
Vent (green circle)



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Buried infrastructure hazard

- Spoken with representatives at:
    - Hawaiian Electric Light Company (Hawaii, USA)
    - Hawai‘i County Department of Water Supply (Hawaii, USA)
    - Auckland Council
    - Auckland Emergency Management
    - Transpower

•All voiced concerns about how much heat lava flows transfer into the substrate and if conditions will continue to be operable

•Most defined operable temperatures as substrate temperatures of 100°C or below

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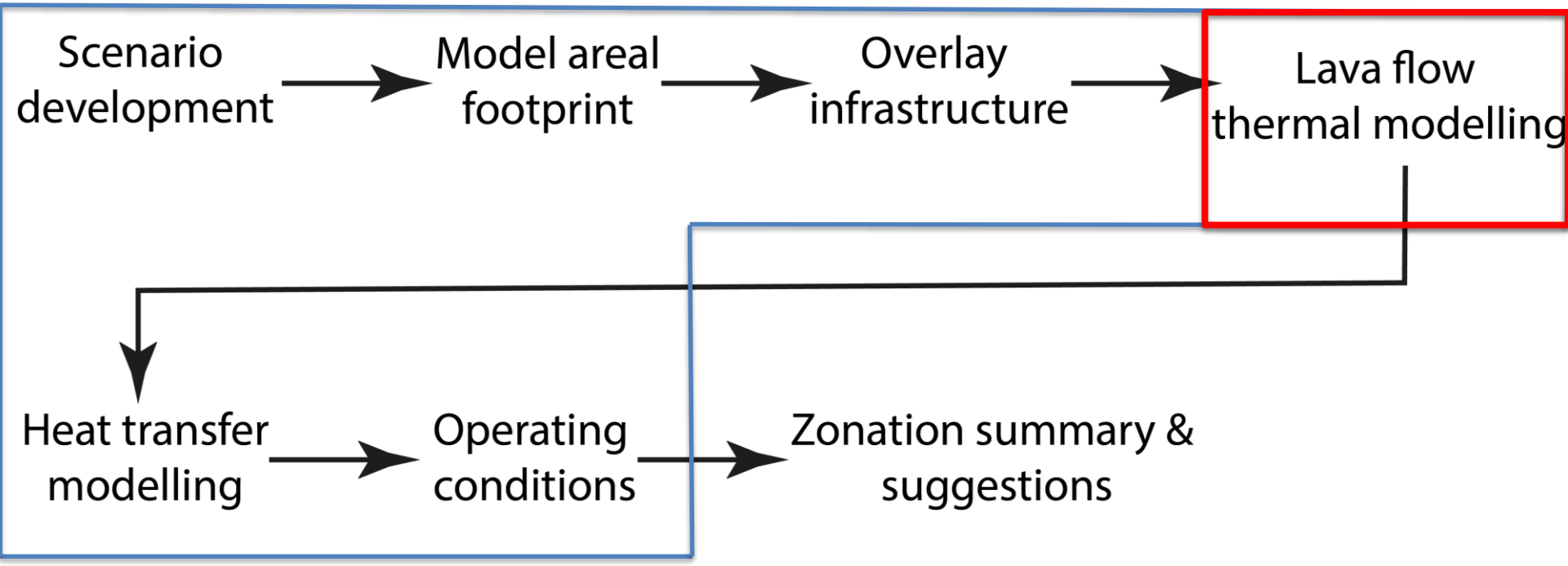
Overview of method



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Heat transfer modelling

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- Used Ansys APDL to model the heat transfer from a lava flow to the substrate below

- Created a training data set at the Syracuse University Lava Project
    - Axisymmetric, so assuming the temperatures were being measured below the centre of the flow
    - Data set equivalent to coring through the lava flow into the substrate below, not as if lava had gotten into pipes

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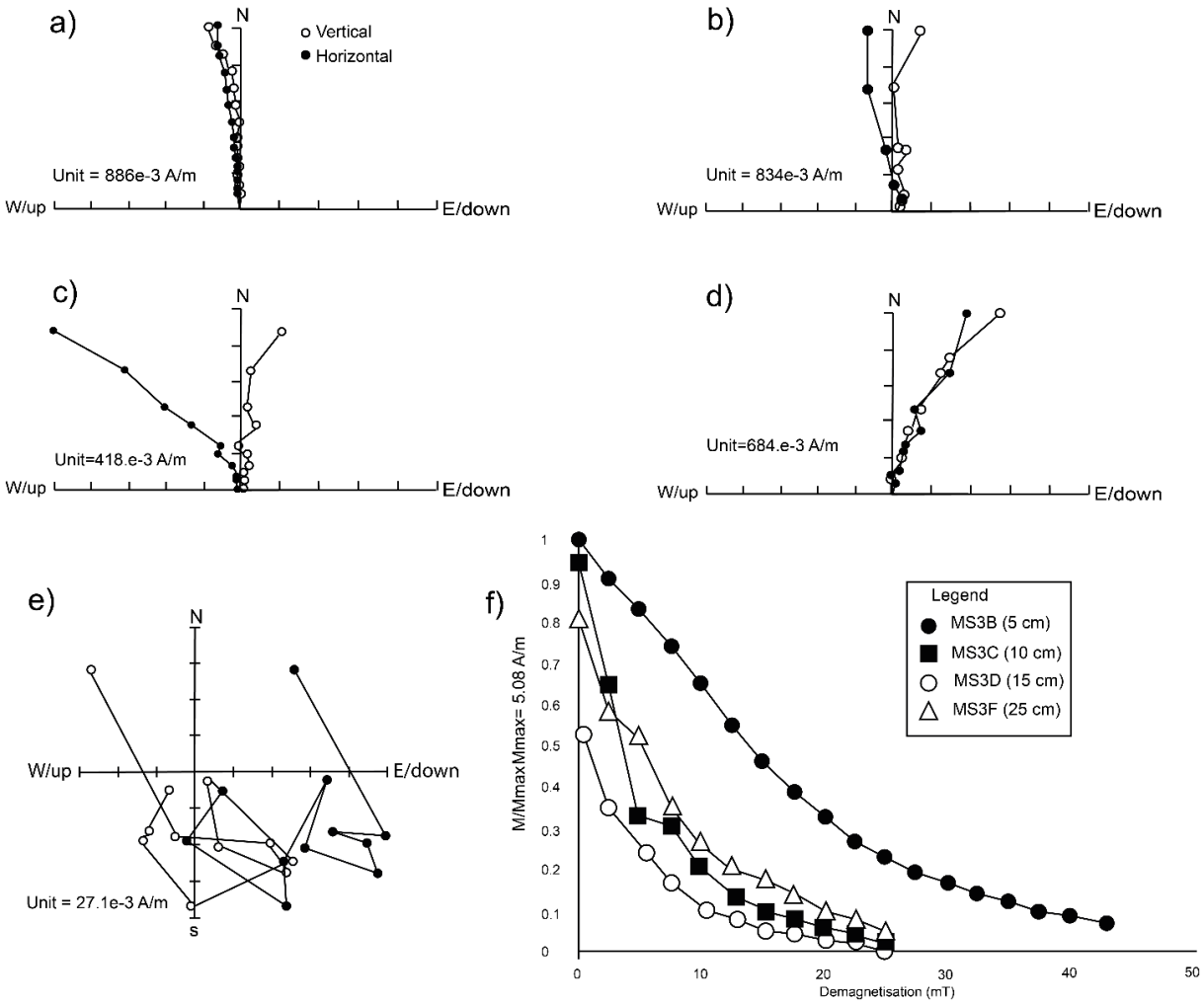
Validation



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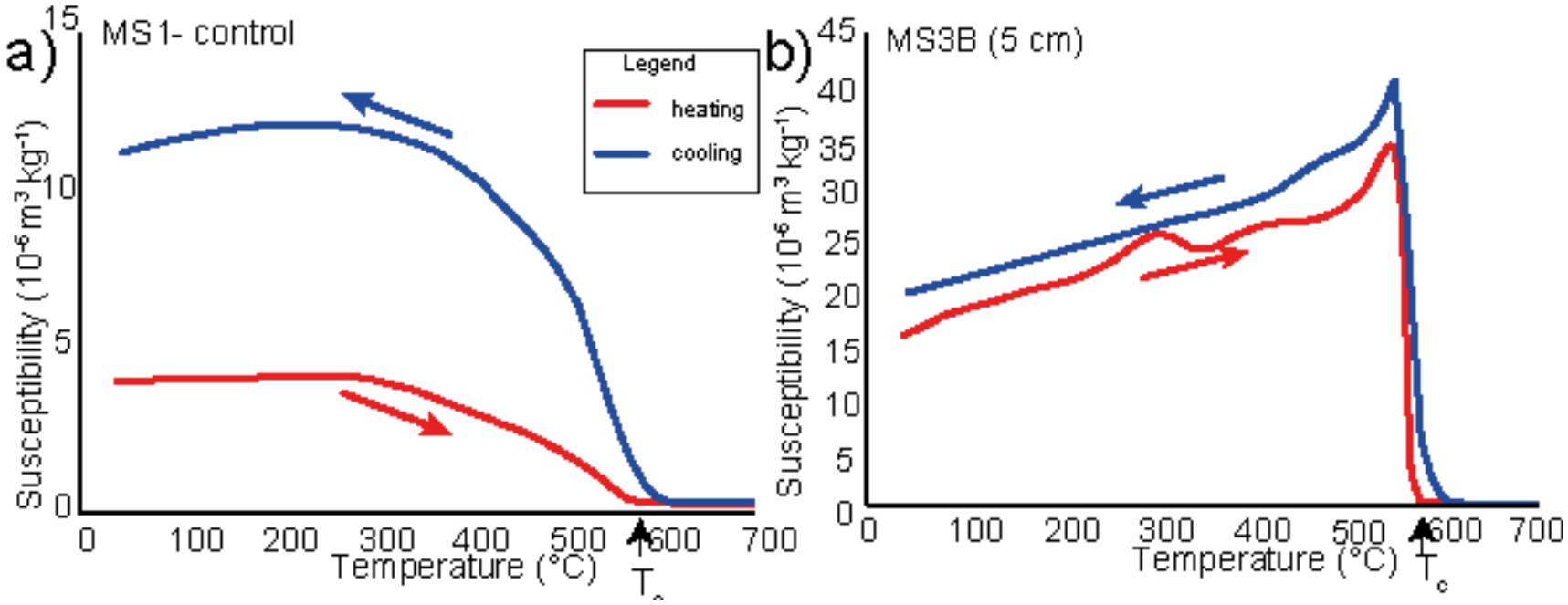

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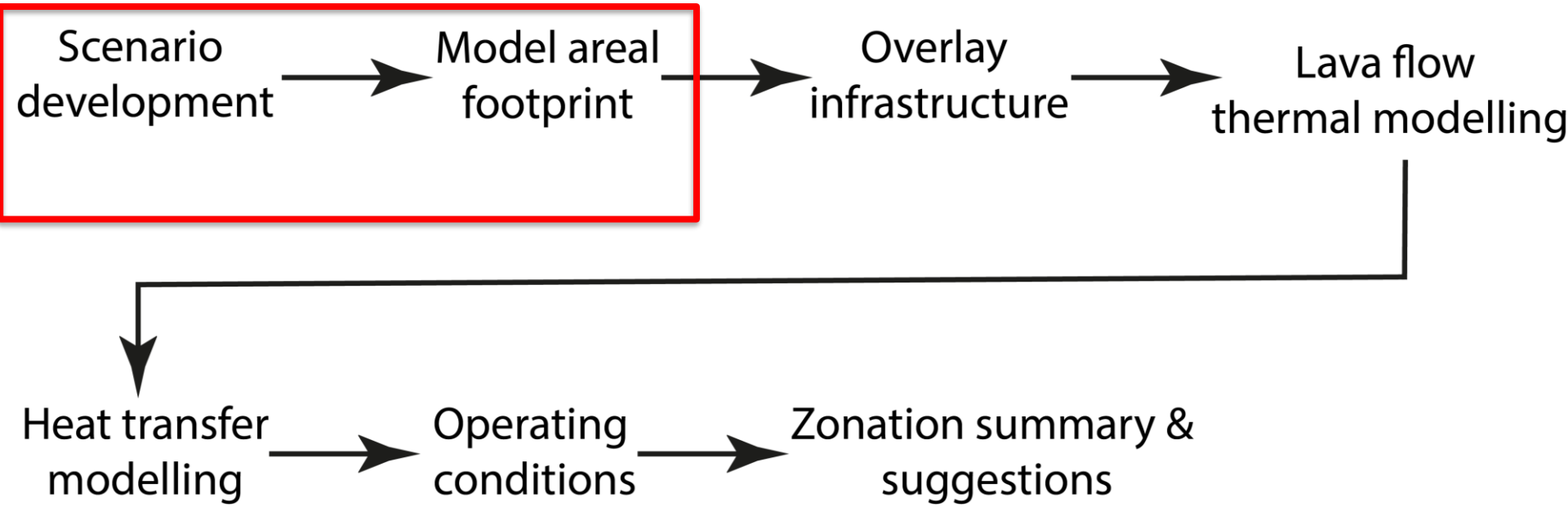

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Case study: Birkenhead

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- Using the DSM footprint (white outline)
- Flow advances across SH 1 at the northern end of the Harbour Bridge
    - Would affect the North Shore & Northland's power

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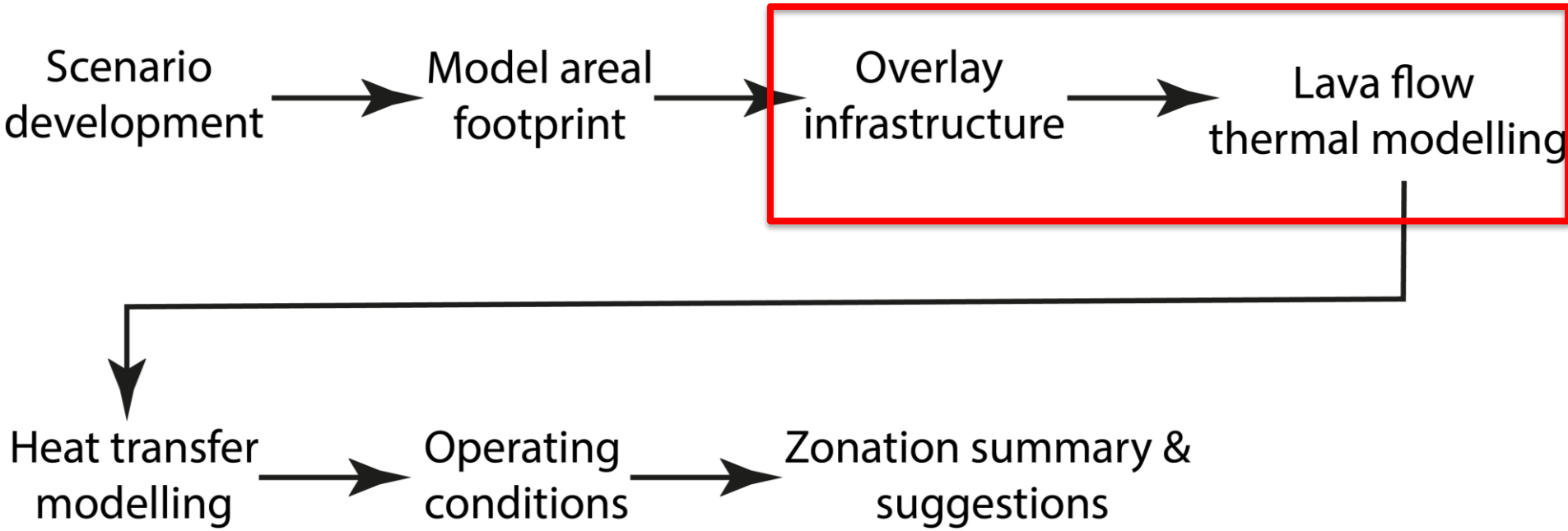

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Infrastructure in Birkenhead

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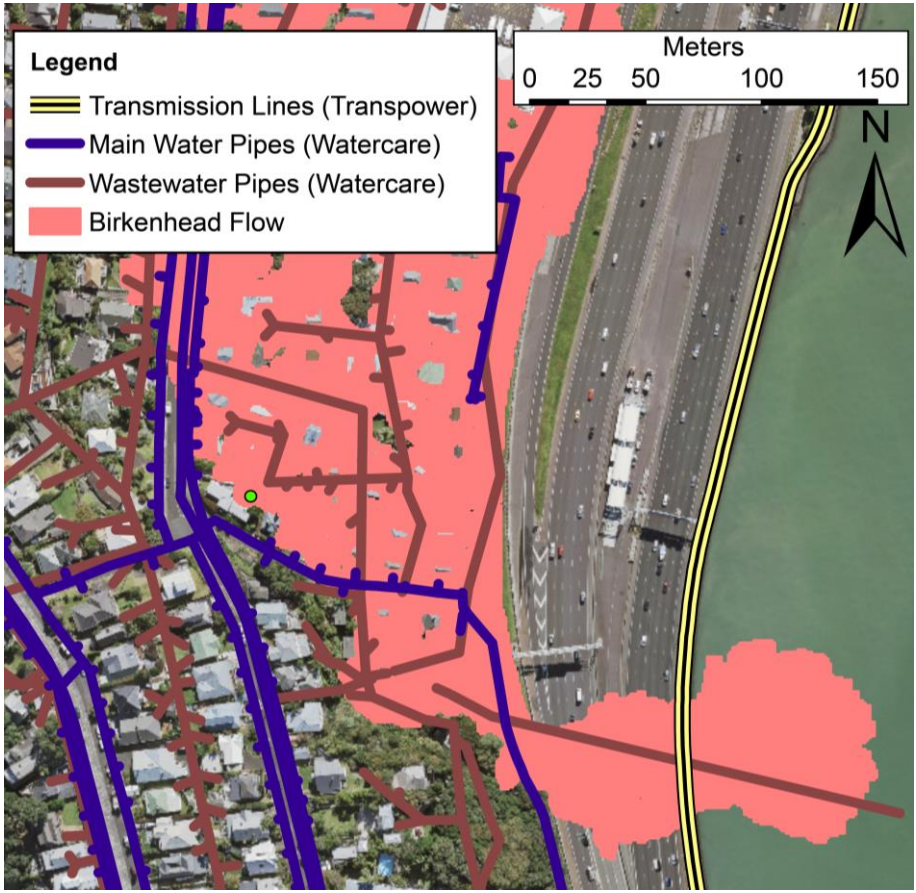
- Flow advances across SH 1 at the northern end of the Harbour Bridge
    - Transpower's main transmission line runs under the bridge & SH1

•FLOWGO at intersection point



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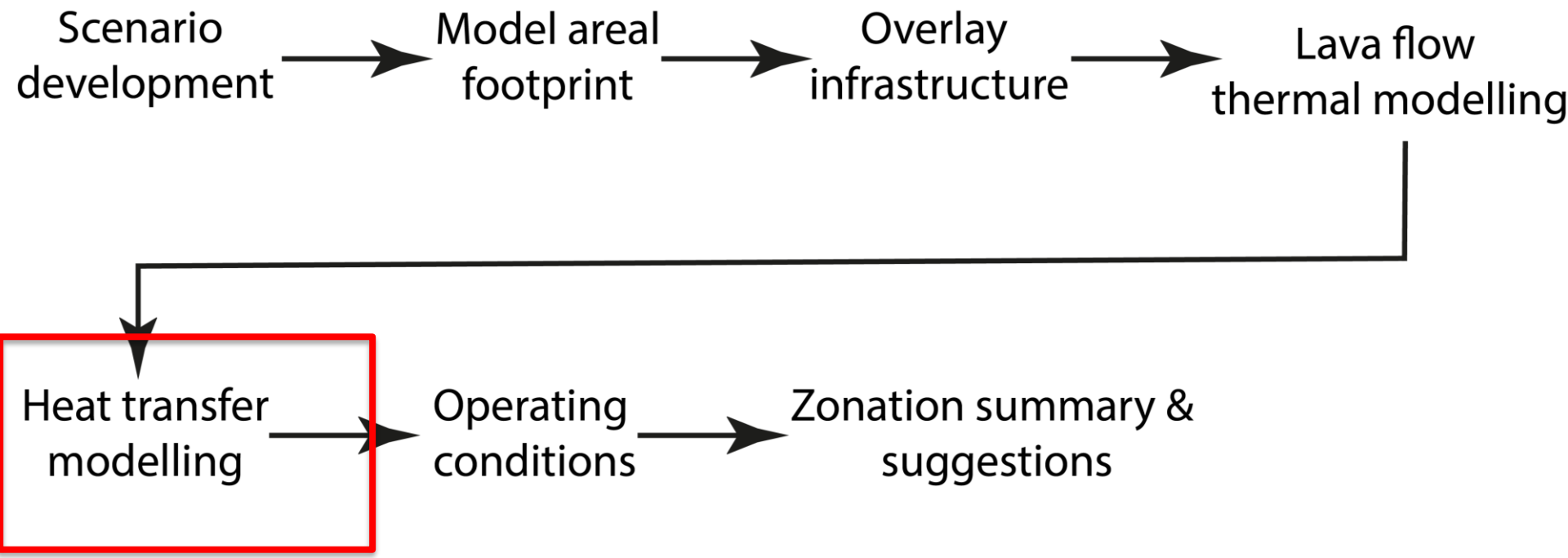

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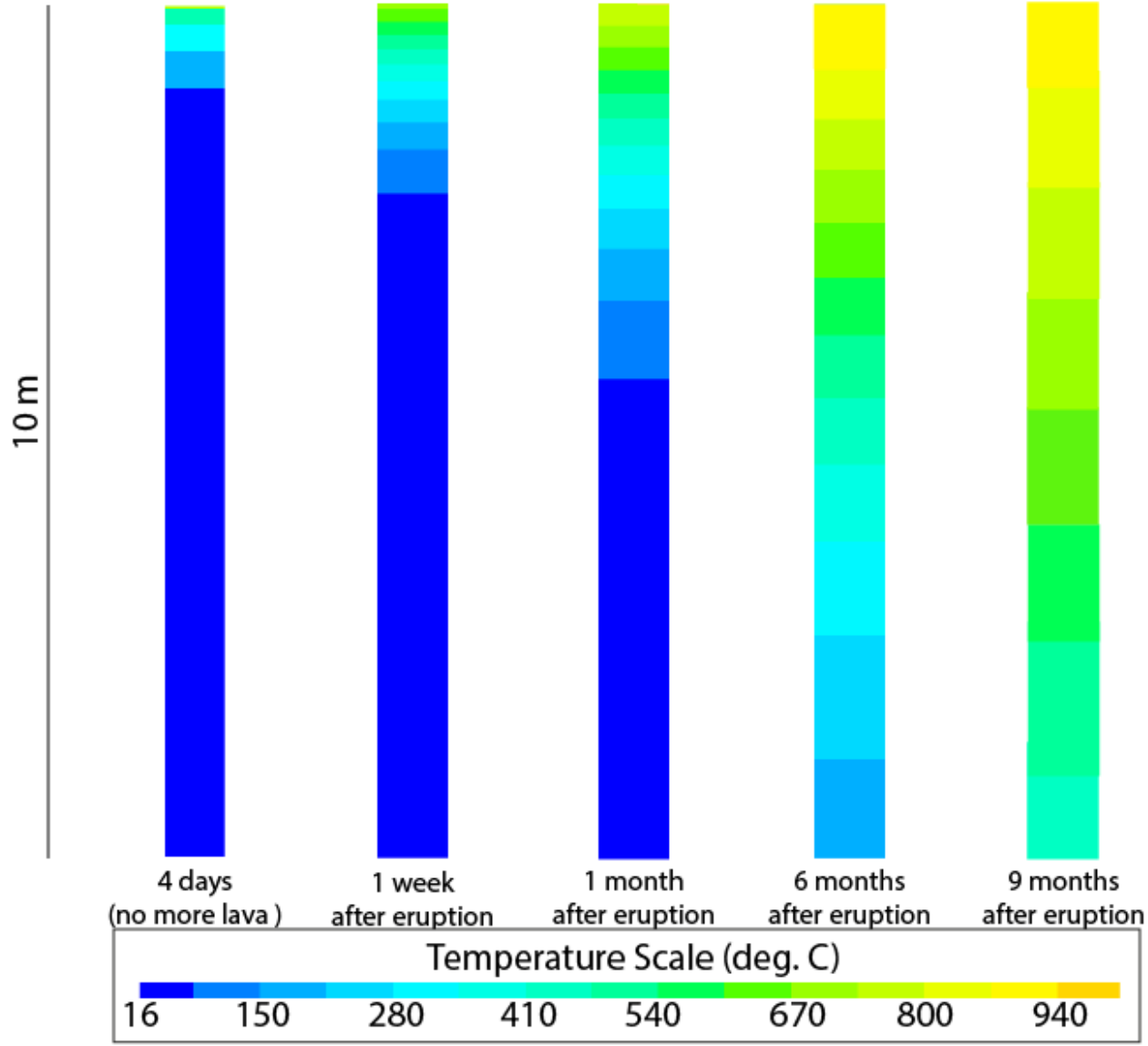

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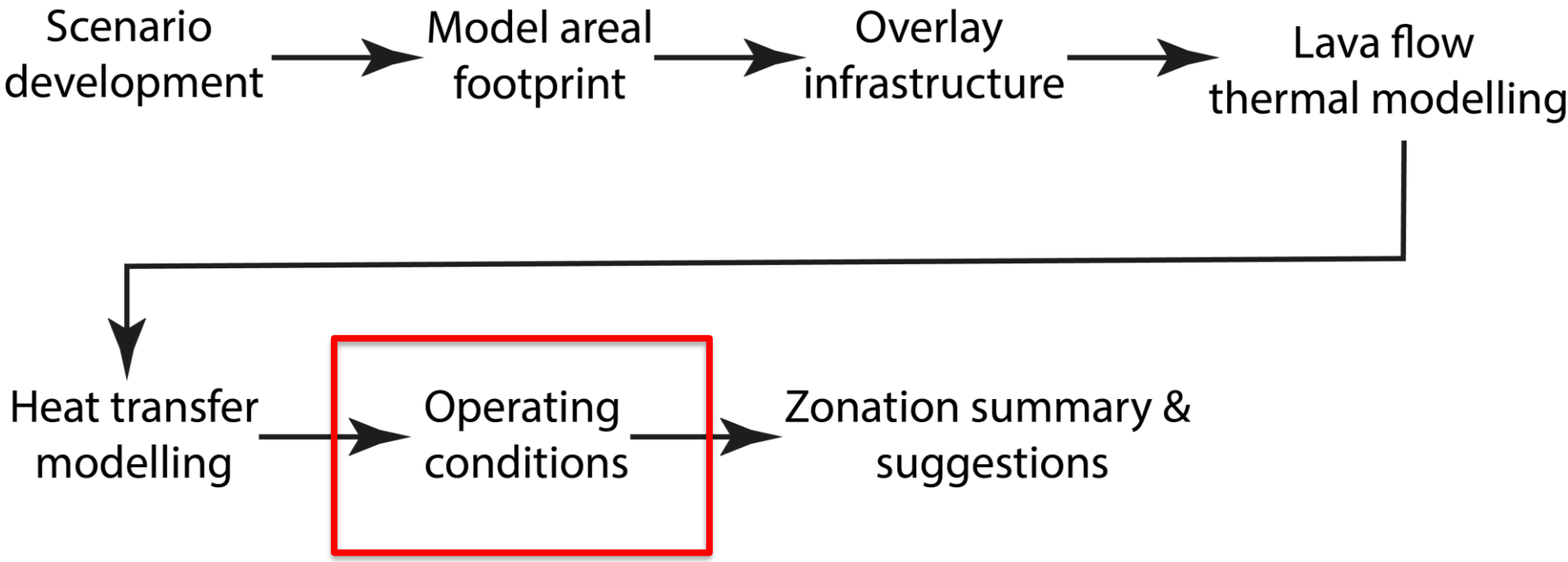

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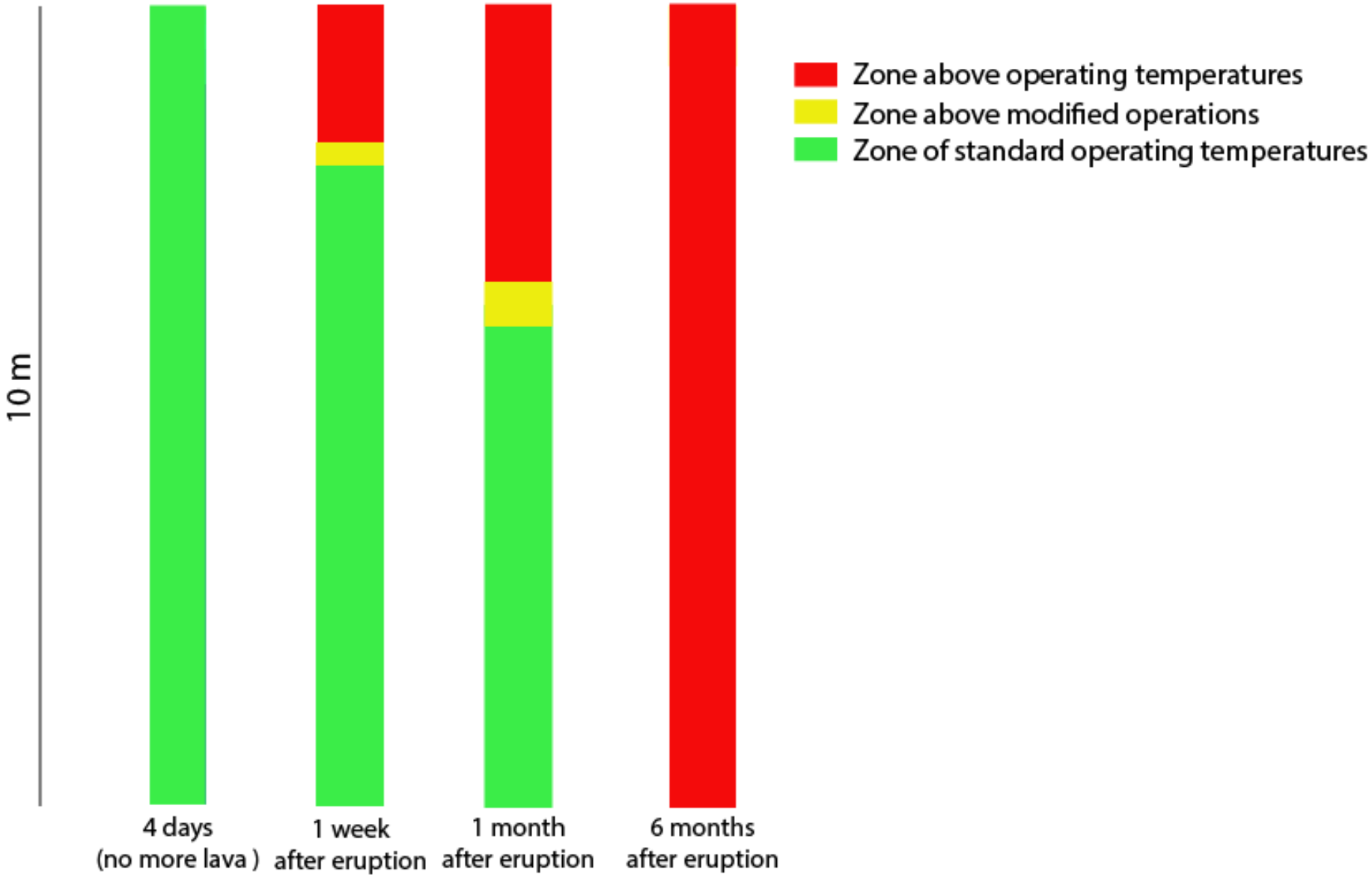

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