

Spatial Data Science: Mapping for Impact

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Our 21st Century Mapping Toolkit

Many of the challenges we face today around food, water, equity, energy, invasive species, fire, climate change, conservation – are ***complex***, require a ***spatial approach*** and impact ***diverse public groups***.



Addressing these challenges requires innovative & resourceful ***data collection, data synthesis, novel analytical tools, and increased communication and cooperation*** between scientists and citizens.



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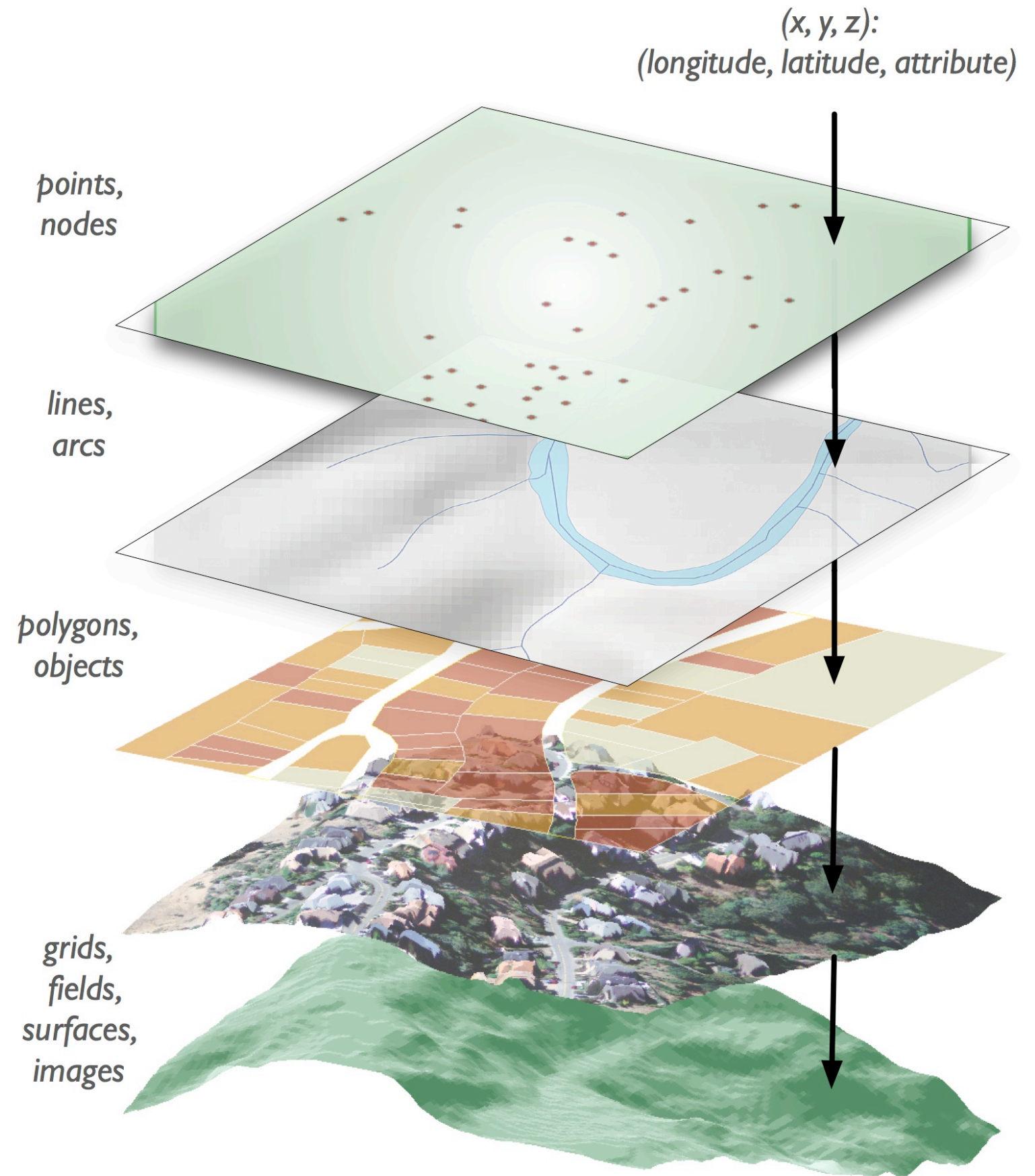
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Geospatial Data & Analysis

GIS: a system for the: entry and editing, storage, query and retrieval, transformation, analysis, and display (soft copy) and printing (hard copy) of spatial data

Made possible (and powerful) from the coincidence of spatial data features: *georeferenced data*

Spatial data are a *representation* of reality



Maps are Analytical Tools

Spatial analysis the process by which we turn raw data in to useful information to make decisions.

Spatial analysis is a set of methods *whose results change when the locations of the objects being analyzed change*

This is the heart of the transition from the concept of a *map as a display tool* to an *analytical tool*

Spatial analysis helps us assess:

- Patterns
- Relationships
- Trends



The GIS Landscape Has Been Changing:

- New data streams – from phones, from APIs, from new satellites and sensors...
- Technological advances in computing- advances in database integration, cluster computing, big data, more choices in coding...
- More public focus on geography...
- Global and granular scales: more personal and more broad...
- The spatial technological landscape is more relevant and more omnipresent than ever...
- More chances and more need to collaborate...

...But fundamentally, spatial data and maps encode and reveal content-rich stories about our environment

Key Questions in My Work

1. *Understanding the current landscape*

- Feature extraction & object-based
- Comparing datasets and data products
- Pattern and classification
- Public engagement and interaction

2. *Understanding change, histories, past legacies*

- Data digitization & accuracy
- Data integration
- Reproducibility
- Data access, open data

3. *Predicting futures*

- Ensemble models
- Data accuracy and uncertainty
- Visualization, collaboration, story telling



data: On the spatial side of things...

citizen science **drones/UAVs**

high resolution imagery

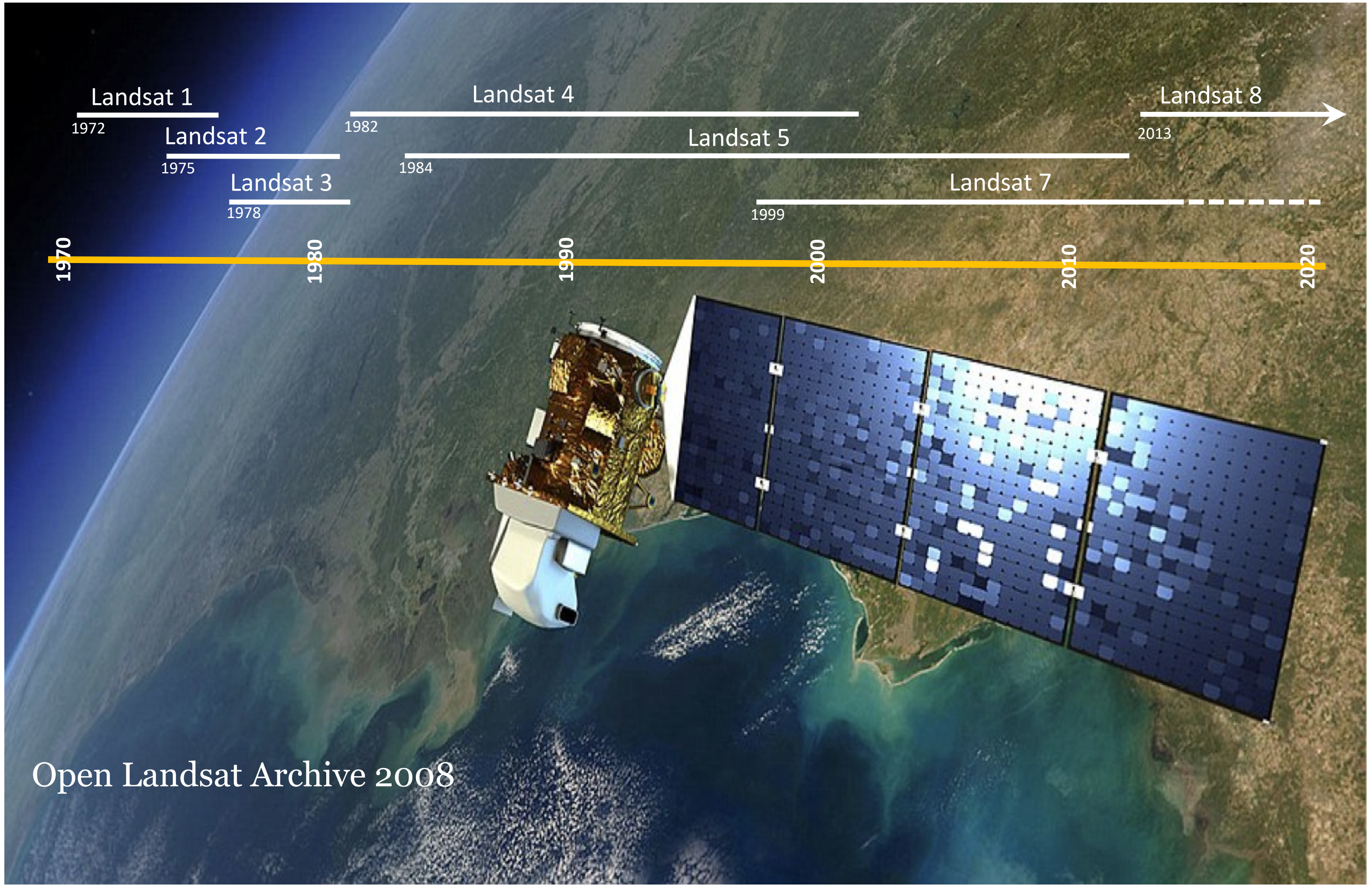
dark data **lidar and radar**

downscaled climate data **APIs**

Landsat **nano satellites** **sensor**

VGI open data **networks**

tracking **high spatial-temporal resolution**



Open Landsat Archive 2008



Sensor Trends: High Spatial Resolution



WorldView2

8 bands (+Pan)

Daily

0.5-1.8 m

Fee



WorldView3

8 bands (+Pan)

Daily

0.3-1.2 m

Fee

GeoEye-2 /

WorldView4

4 bands (+Pan)

3 days

0.3-1.2m

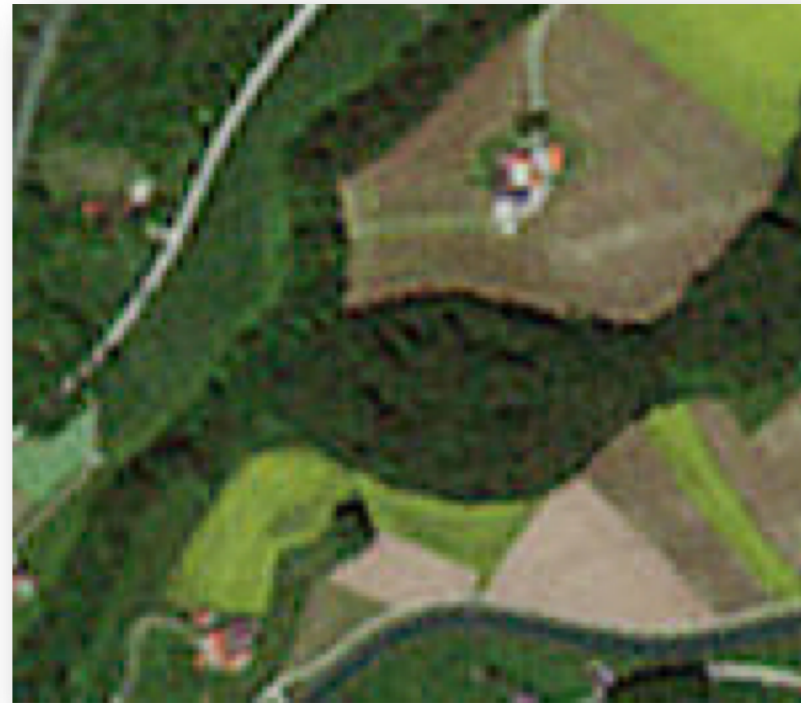
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Sensor Trends: Constellations



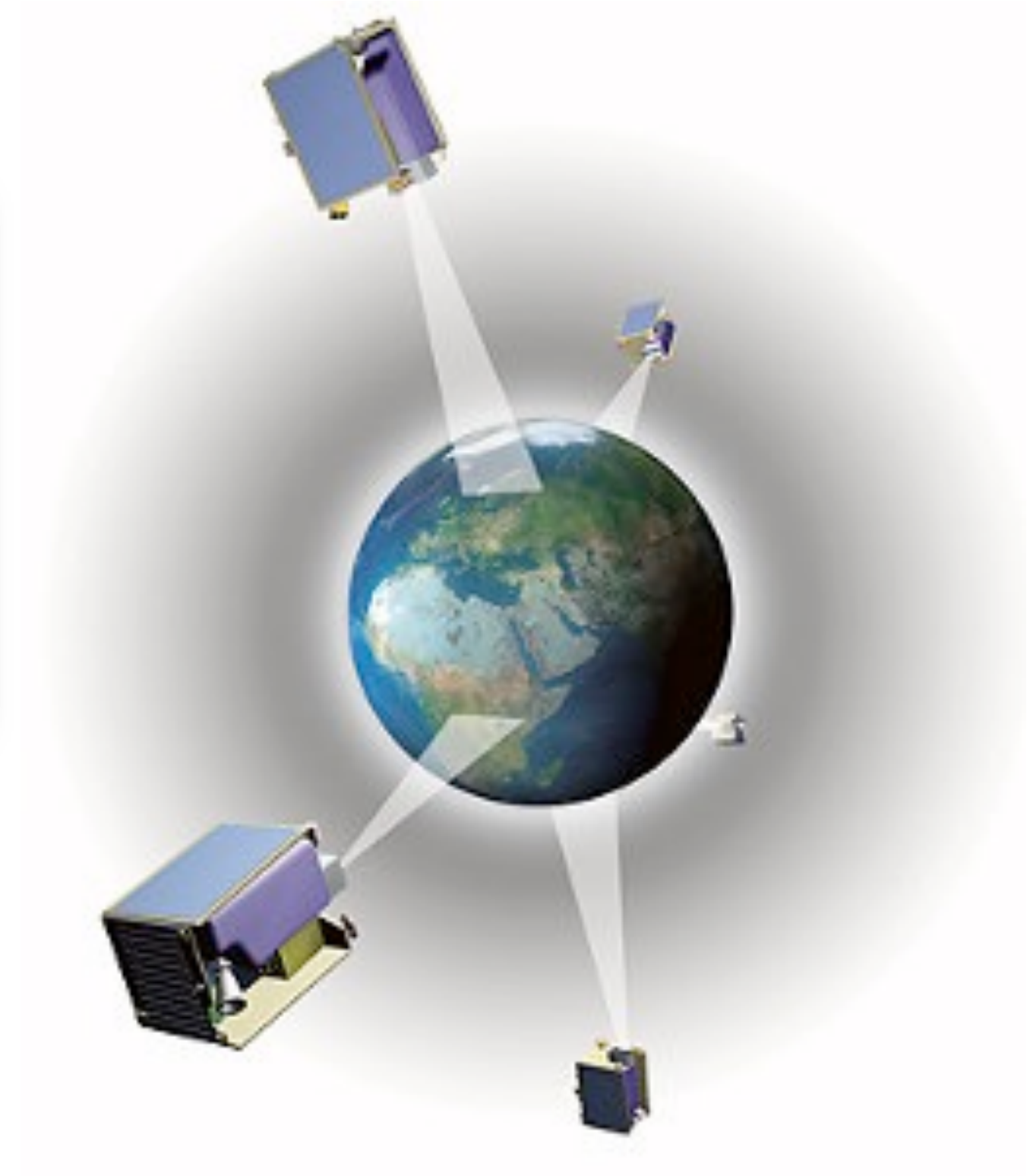
Sentinel2

13 bands
5-days
10, 20, 60m
2 satellites
Cost



RapidEye

5 bands
Daily
5 m
5 satellites
Cost



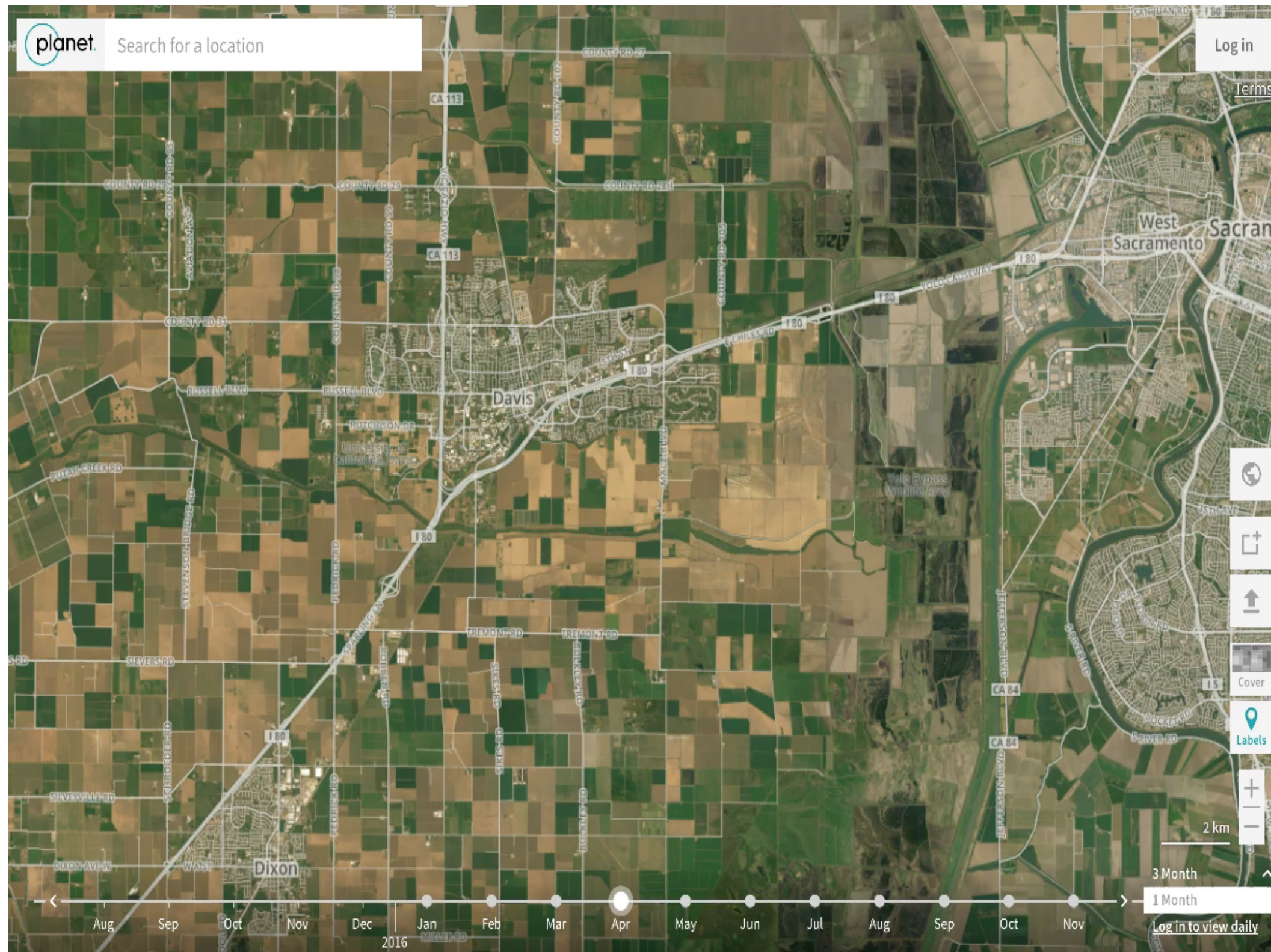
Sensor Trends: Constellations

Planet Launches 88
micro satellites
("cubesats"), Feb 2017

Planet will image the
entire earth, daily, at
~4m resolution



Sensor Trends: High Spatial-Temporal Resolution



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John Cherbini; Blue Oak Reserve; Feb 10; NDVI from 08:30 through 14:30

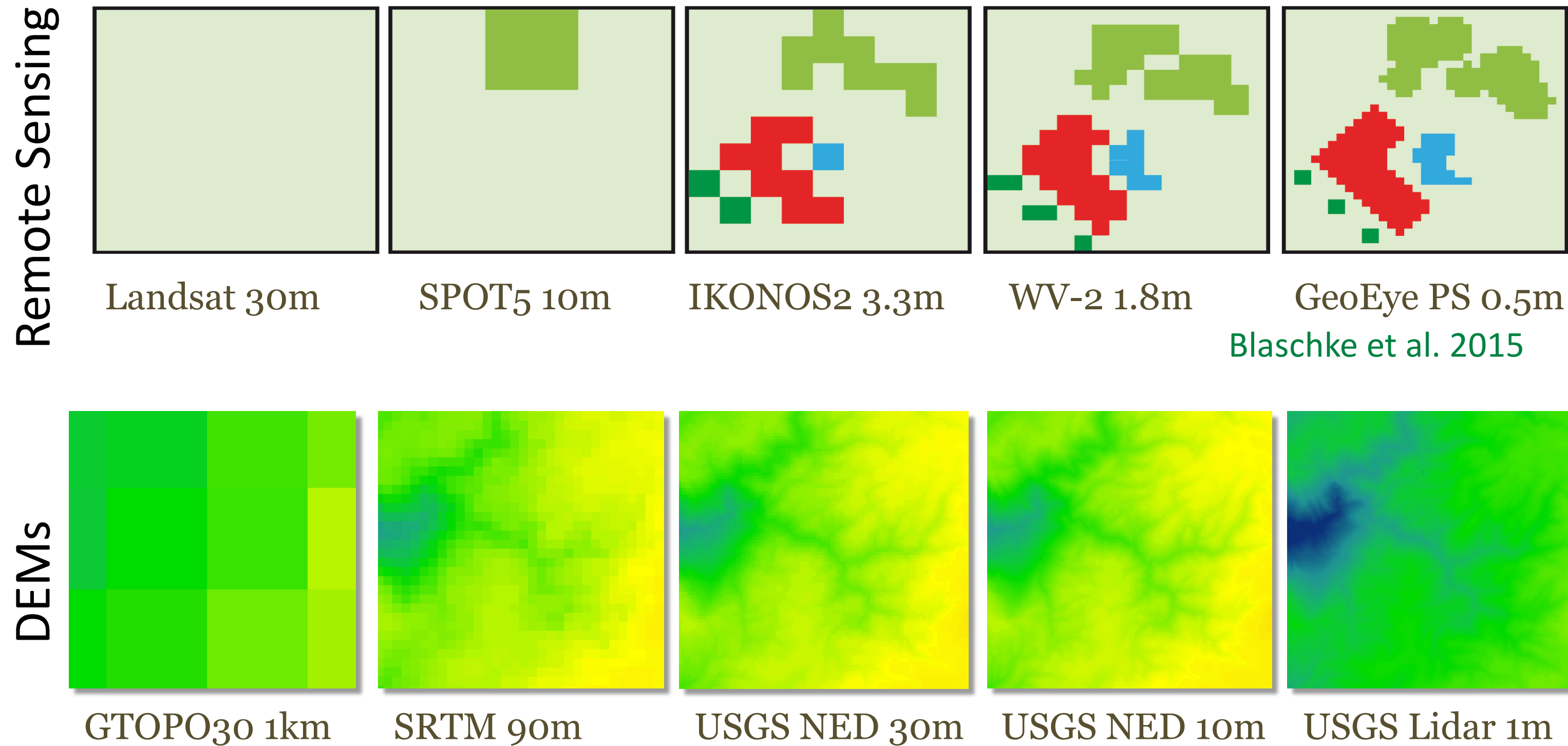


Sensor Trends: Imagery on Demand



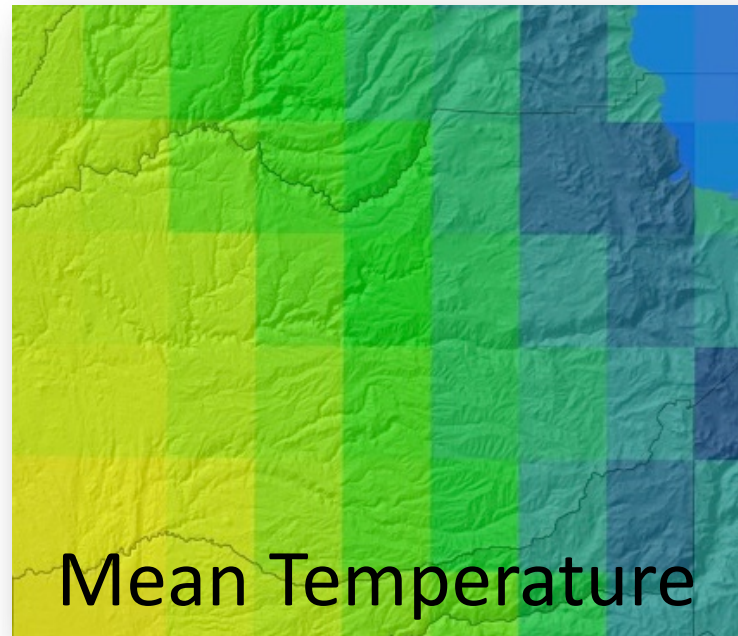
IGIS at the Desert REC

Data Trends: Decrease in Spatial Resolution

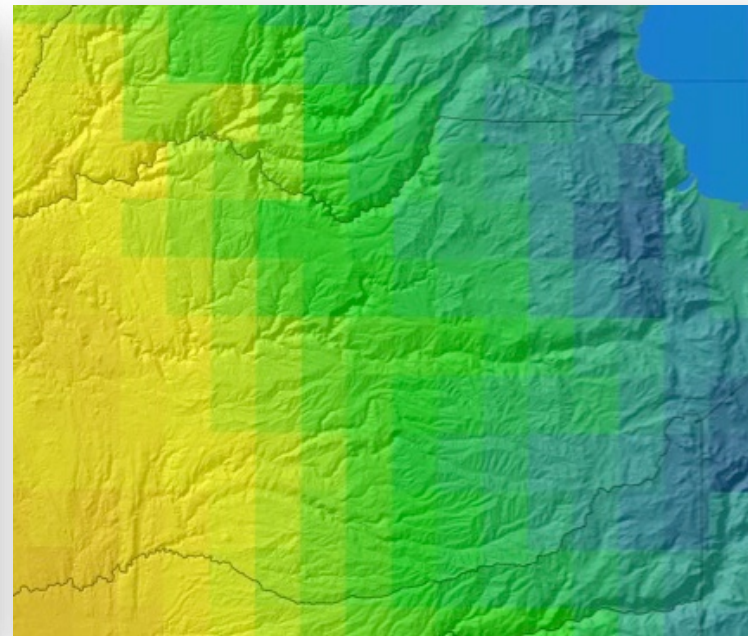


Data Trends: Climate Model Downscaling

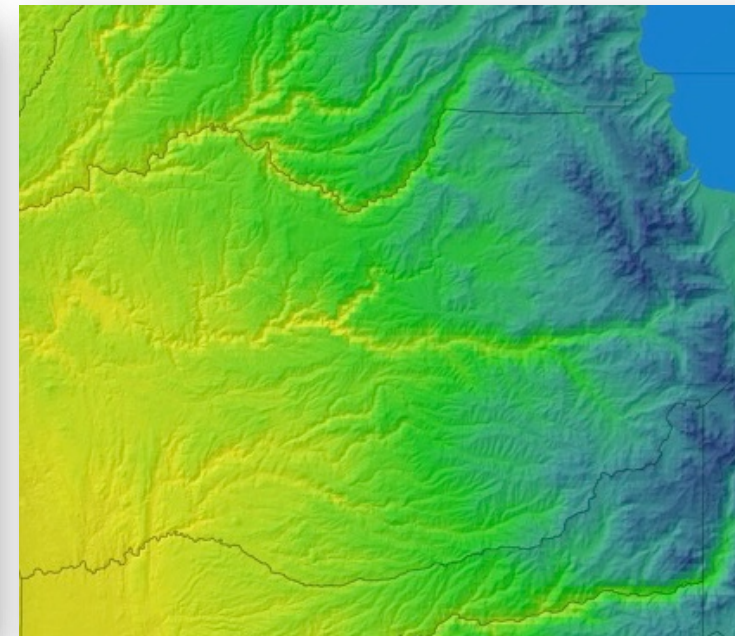
11km resolution



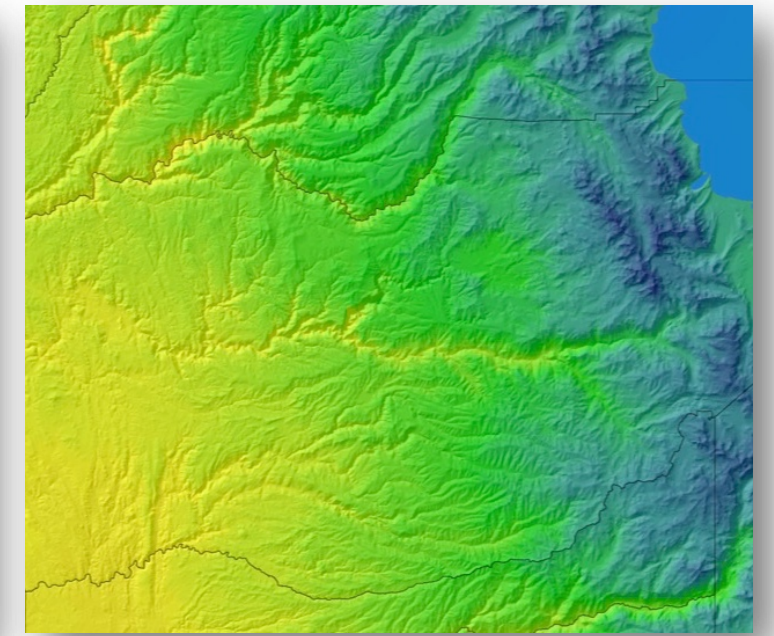
6km resolution



800m resolution



270 m resolution



1/8-degree
Cal-Adapt.org 1.0

1/16-degree
Cal-Adapt.org 2.0

30-arcsecond
California Climate
Action

USGS Flints'
BASIN model

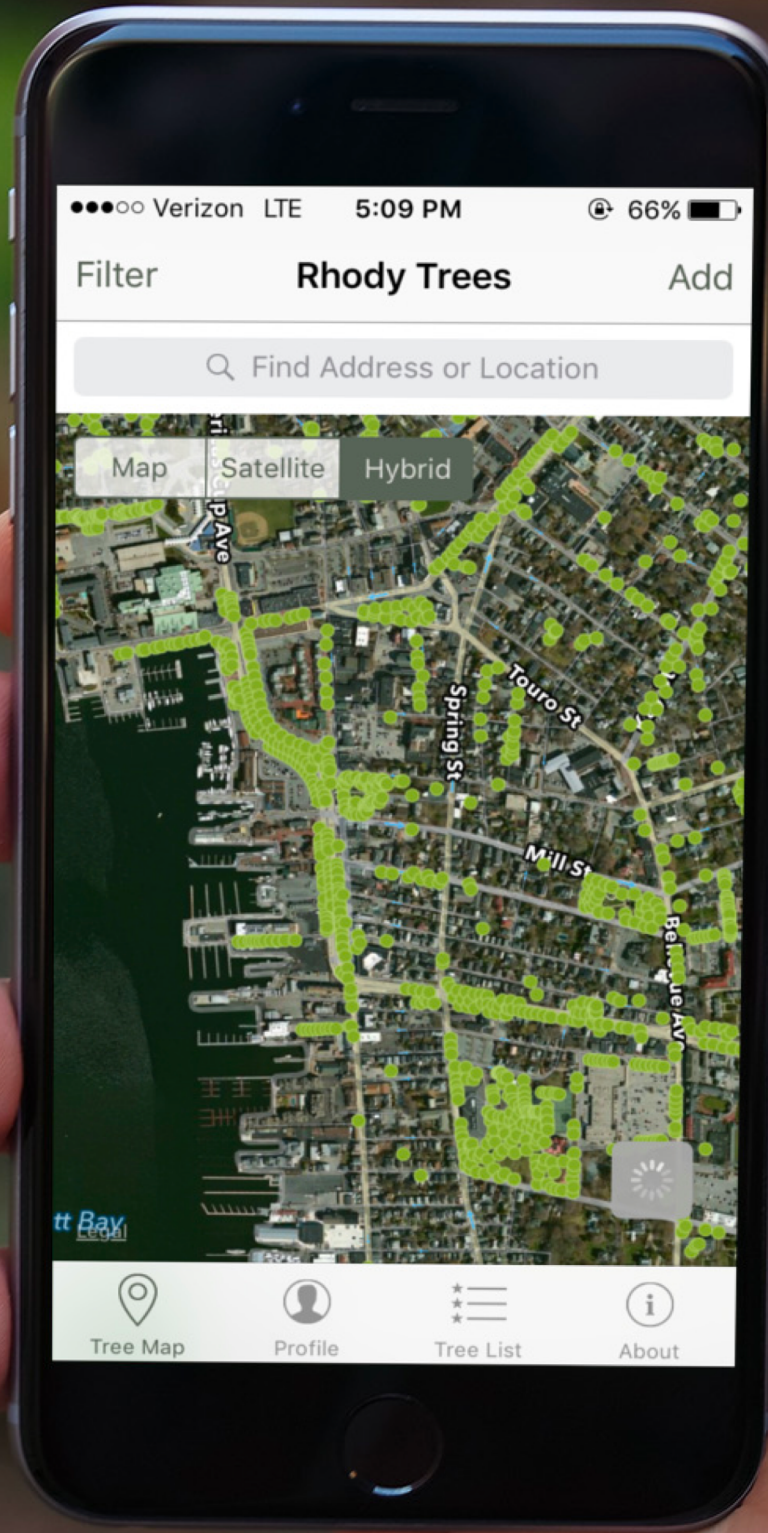
Data Trends: Detailed, Accurate Location



2005 Onwards: Mobile Acquisition

www.statistica.com

Number of Mobile Phone Users
(M) Globally



In 2015, there were 98 cellular phone
subscriptions per 100 people

- World Bank World Development Indicators
– Birenboim & Shoal, 2016

Photo credit: opentreemap

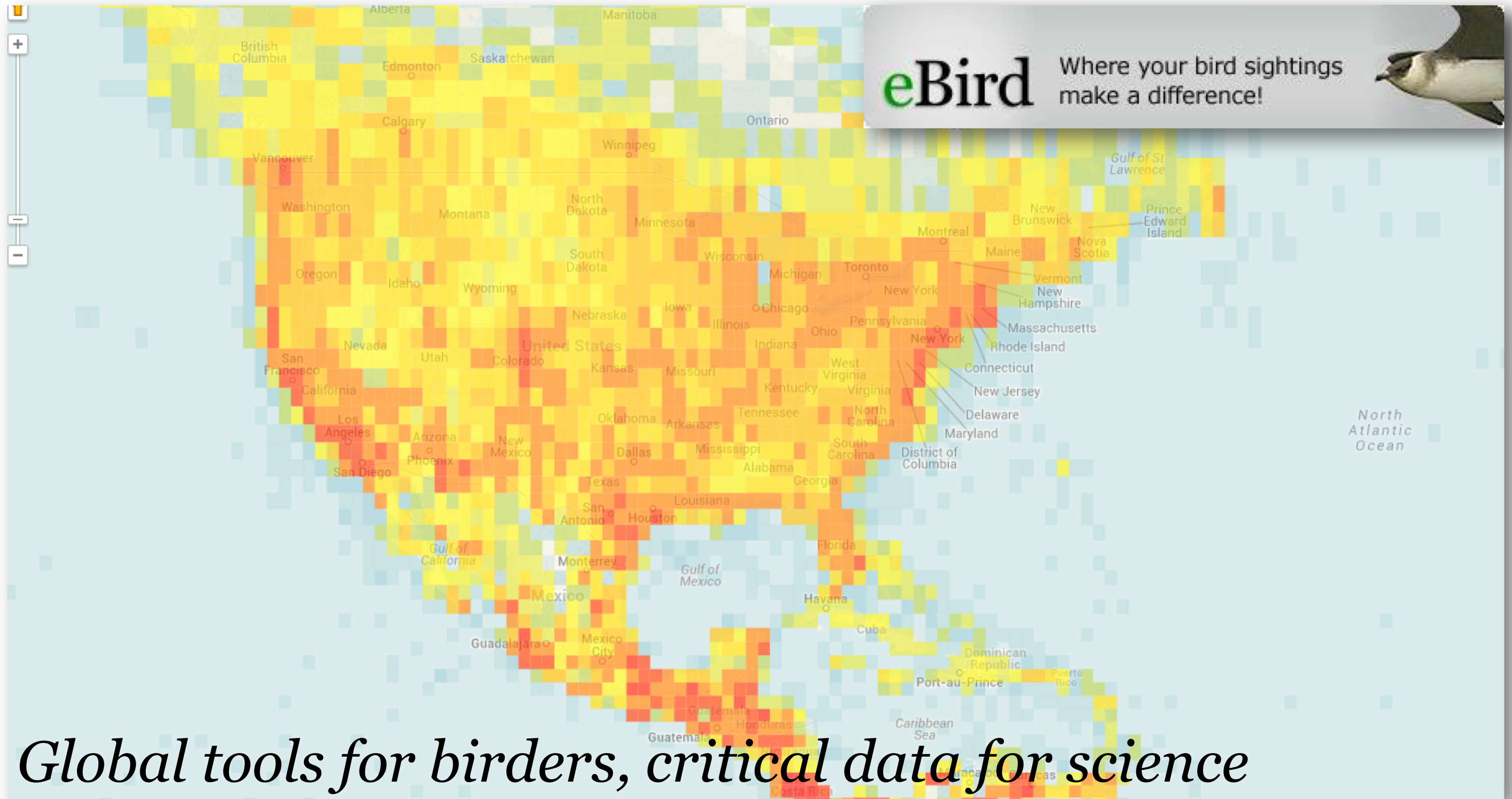
Data Trends: Citizen Science and VGI

iNaturalist.org

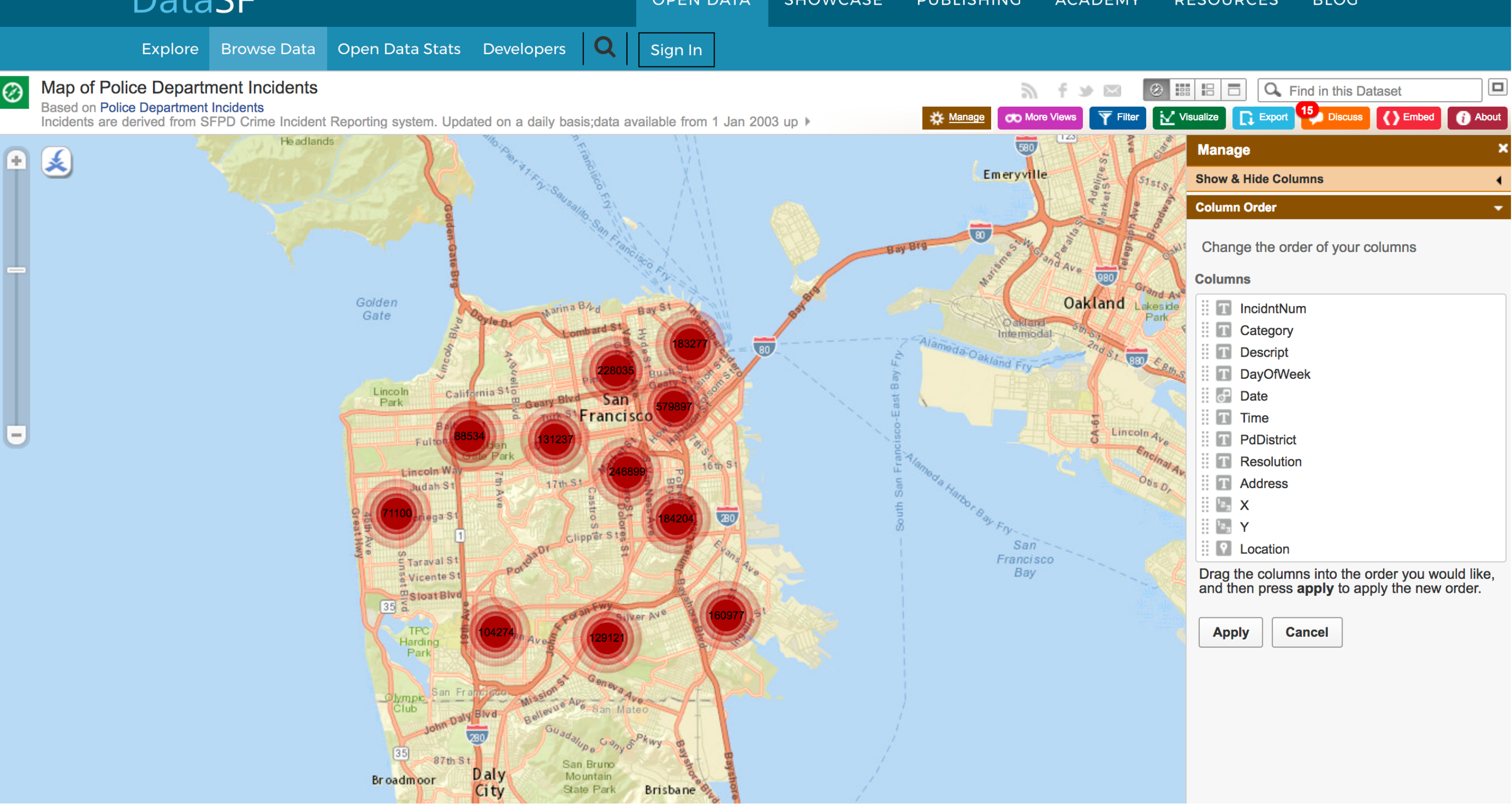


Photo credit: nerds for nature

Trends: Citizen Science & VGI



Trends: Open Data



<https://data.sfgov.org/>

data: Spatial Data is *Big Data*

detail

breadth

continuity

focus

resilience

tools: Analysis & Web Mapping

open tools **web mapping**

shared working environments

distributed computing

visualization **space-time**

3D + 4D **analysis**

cloud-based

Trends: Open Tools



QGIS is a user friendly Open Source GIS licensed under the GNU General Public License.

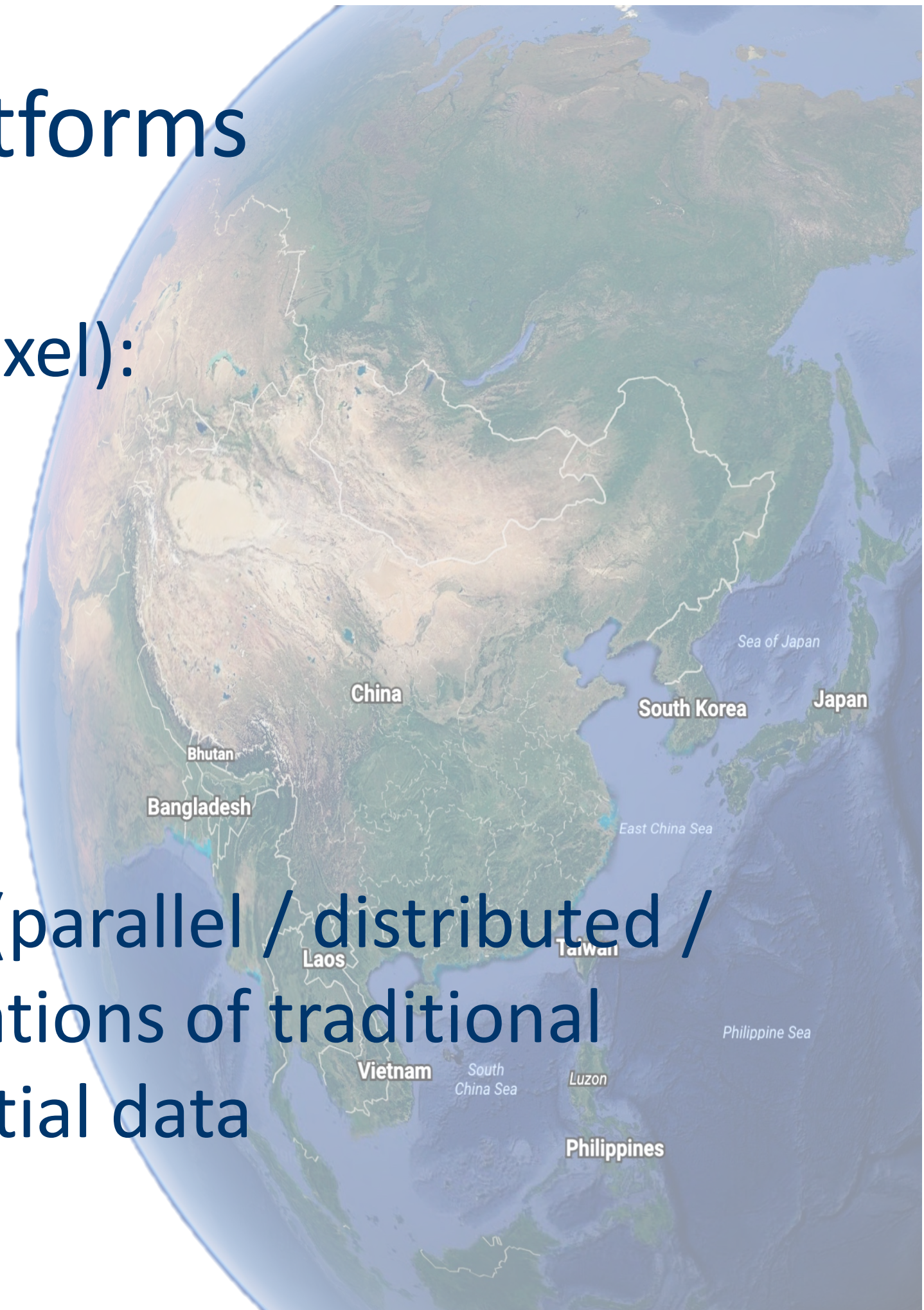
QGIS is an official project of the Open Source Geospatial Foundation (OSGeo). It runs on Linux, Unix, Mac OSX, Windows and Android and supports numerous vector, raster, and database formats and functionalities.

Trends: Cloud & HPC Platforms

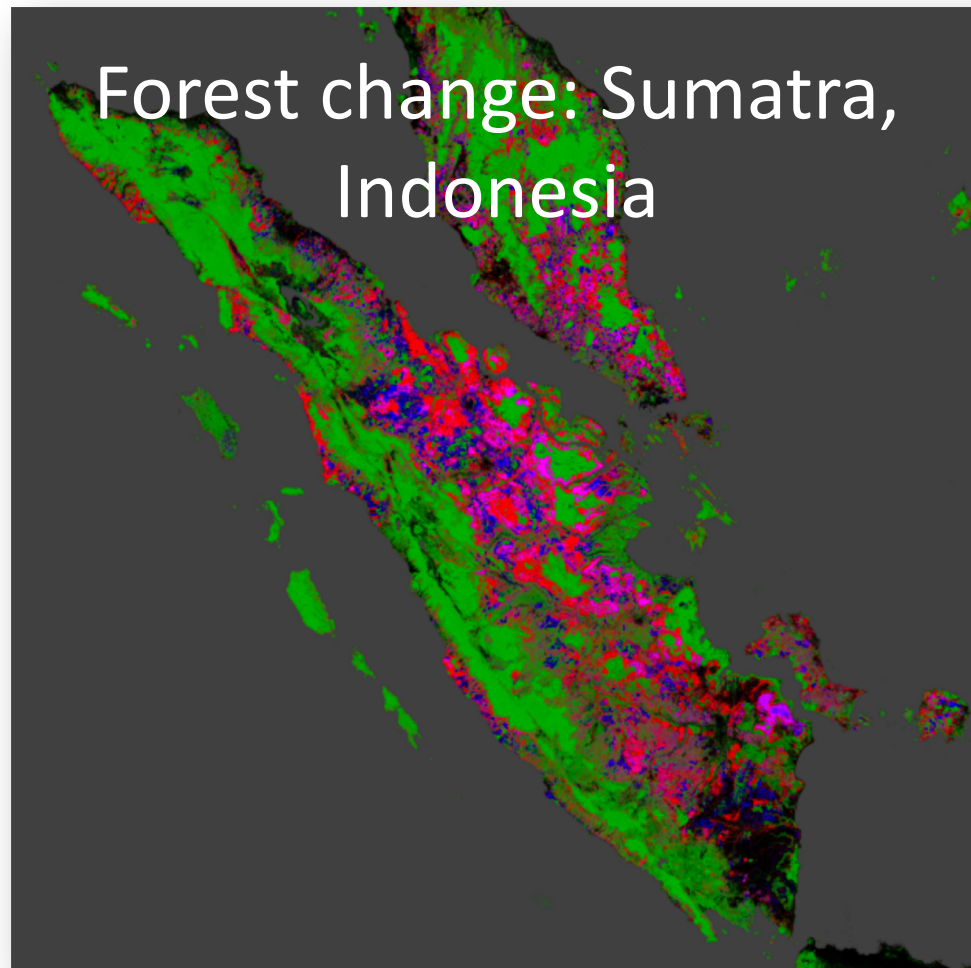
At the scale of Landsat (30m pixel):

- California → 500M pixels
- China → 10B pixels
- Globe → 800B pixels

High Performance Computing (parallel / distributed / clustered) supports the applications of traditional geospatial methods on big spatial data

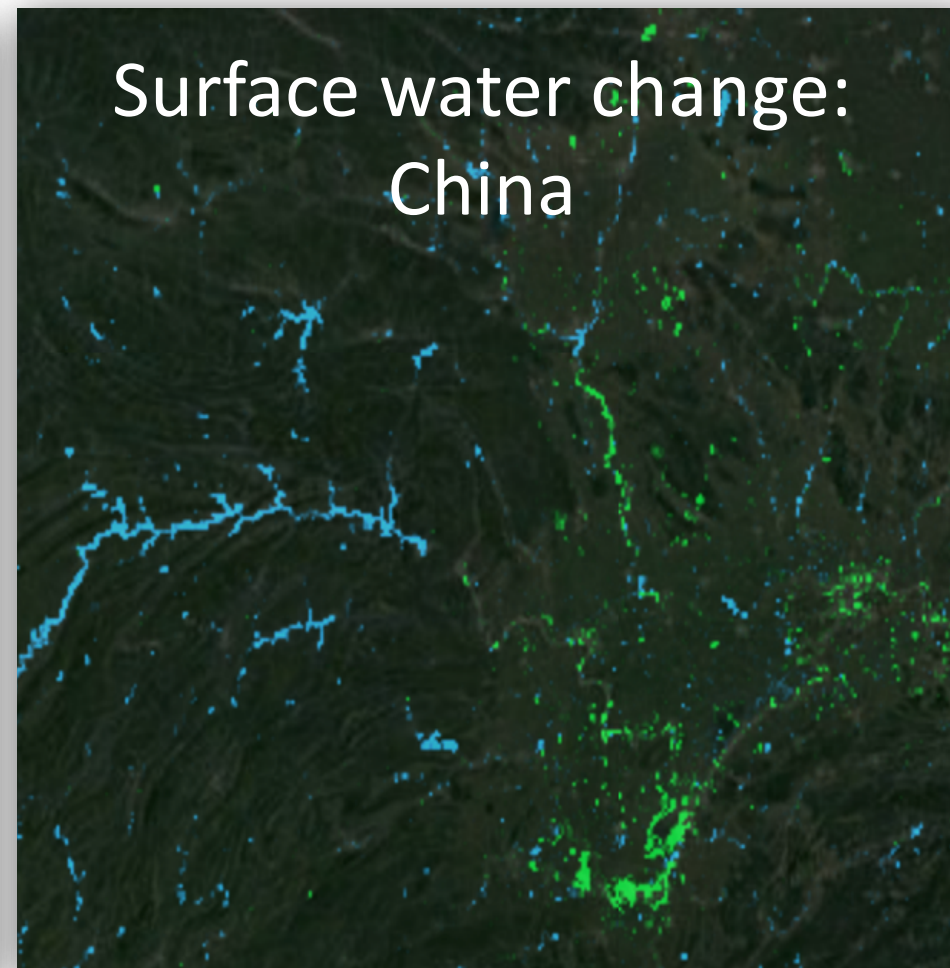


Large Scale Cloud Computation: Google Earth Engine



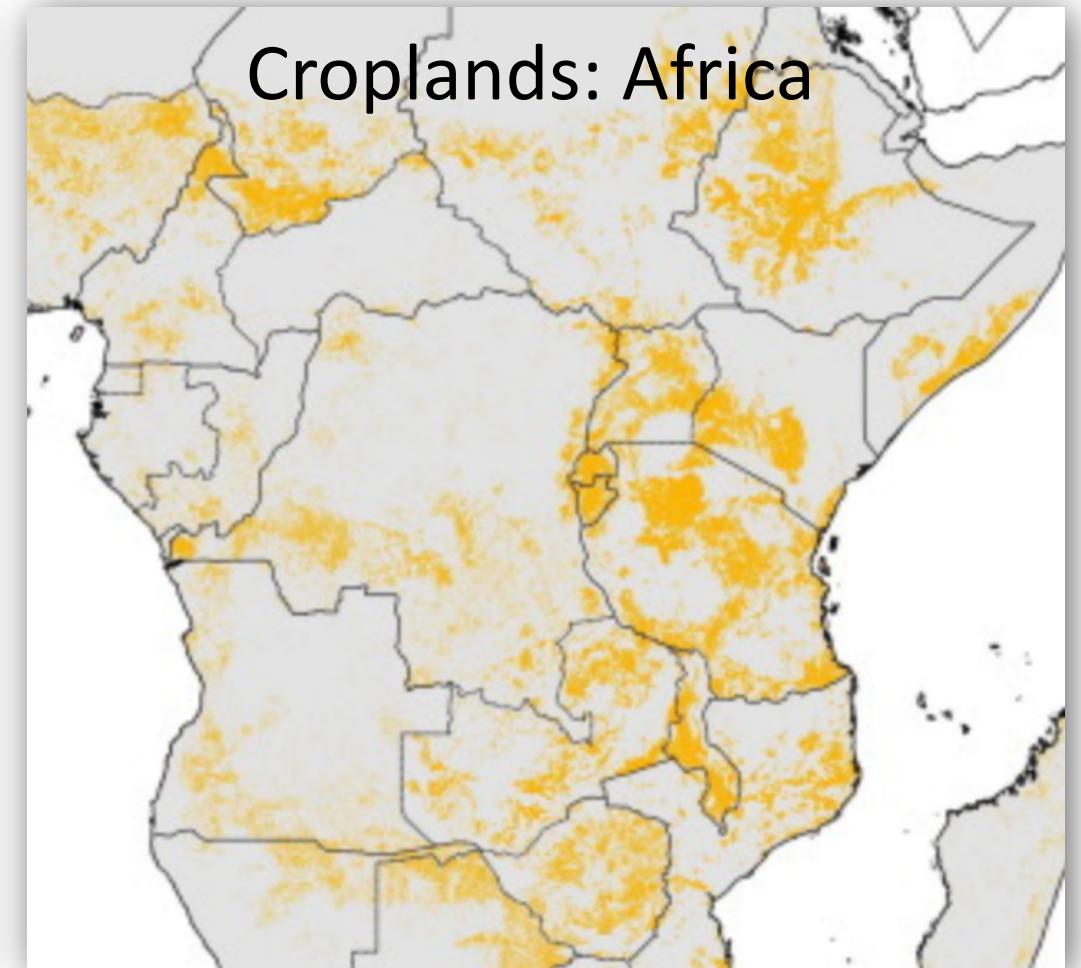
- Forest Loss 2000–2013
- Forest Gain 2000–2013
- Both Loss and Gain
- Forest Extent

Hansen et al. 2013, *Science*



- Surface Water Loss
- Surface Water Gain

Pekel et al. 2016, *Nature*

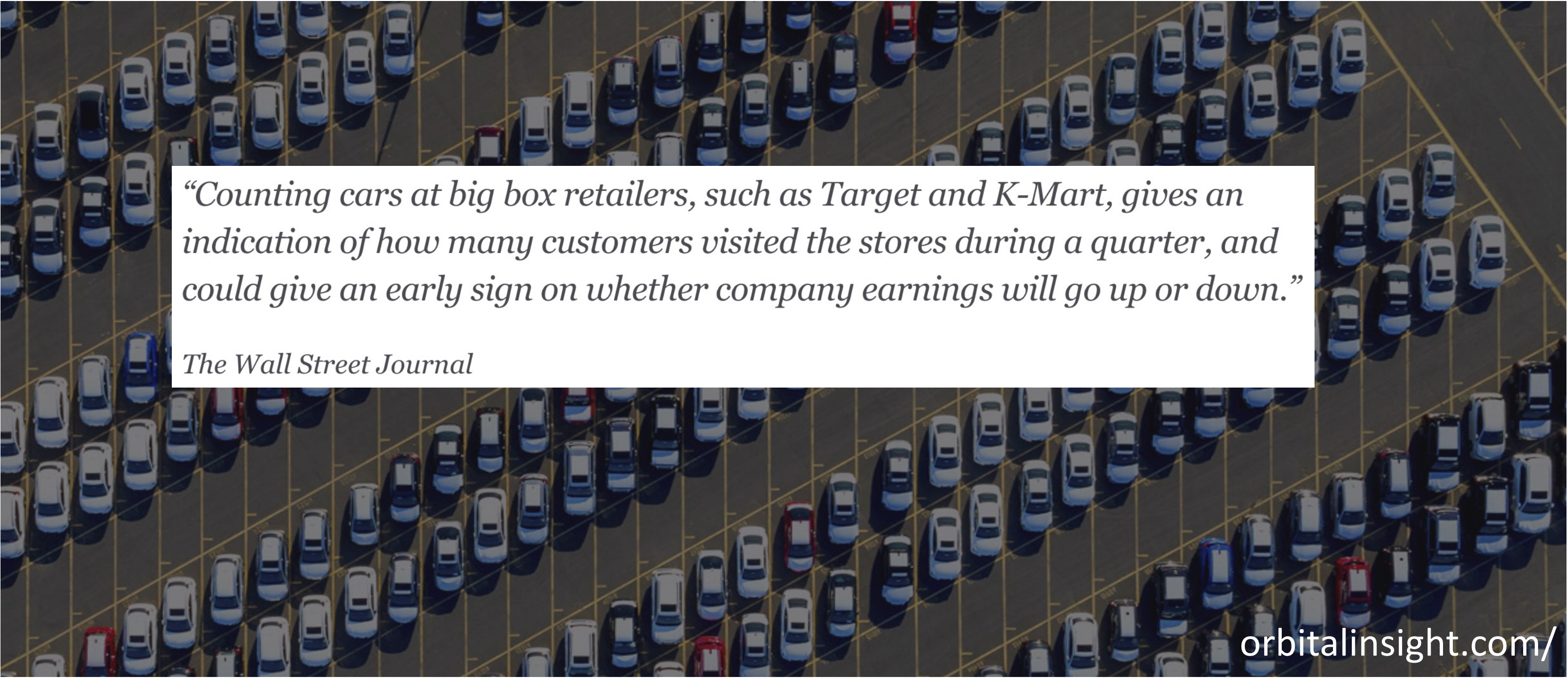


- Cropland with fallow
- Non-cropland

Xiong et al. 2017, *ISPRS Journal of Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing*

Trends: AI, Machine Learning, Deep Learning

Machine Learning is the practice of using algorithms to parse data, learn from it, and then make a prediction. The machine is “trained” using large amounts of data and algorithms that give it the ability to learn how to perform the task. Algorithms like support vector machines, decision trees, Random Forests, boosted DTs, artificial neural networks are all involved.



“Counting cars at big box retailers, such as Target and K-Mart, gives an indication of how many customers visited the stores during a quarter, and could give an early sign on whether company earnings will go up or down.”

The Wall Street Journal

Trends: Web Mapping & Visualization

Climate Tools

Explore charts, maps and data of observed and projected climate variables for California. The tools show projections for two possible climate futures, one in which emissions peak around 2040 and then decline (RCP 4.5) and another in which emissions continue to rise throughout the 21st century (RCP 8.5). Both futures are considered possible depending on how much action we decide to take. Learn more about working with climate projections on our [Resources](#) page.

Annual Averages



Explore projected annual averages of maximum temperature, minimum temperature and precipitation for your location.

Extreme Heat



Explore projected frequency and duration of extreme heat events for your location.

Sea Level Rise - CalFloD-3D



Explore maps of inundation location and depths for San Francisco Bay Area, Sacramento - San Joaquin Delta and the California coast during near 100 year storm events coupled with projected Sea Level Rise scenarios.

Snowpack



View timelapse animation and monthly averages of projected Snow Water Equivalent, a common measurement for snowpack.

Wildfire



Annual averages of area burned for combination of 4 GCMs, 2 RCPs and 3 population growth scenarios.

Cooling Degree Days and Heating Degree Days



Explore projected changes in Heating Degree Days and Cooling Degree Days, which are a common proxy for energy needed to heat and cool buildings

Stream Flow

Charts of VIC routed and bias corrected streamflows driven by LOCA downscaled temperature and precipitation.

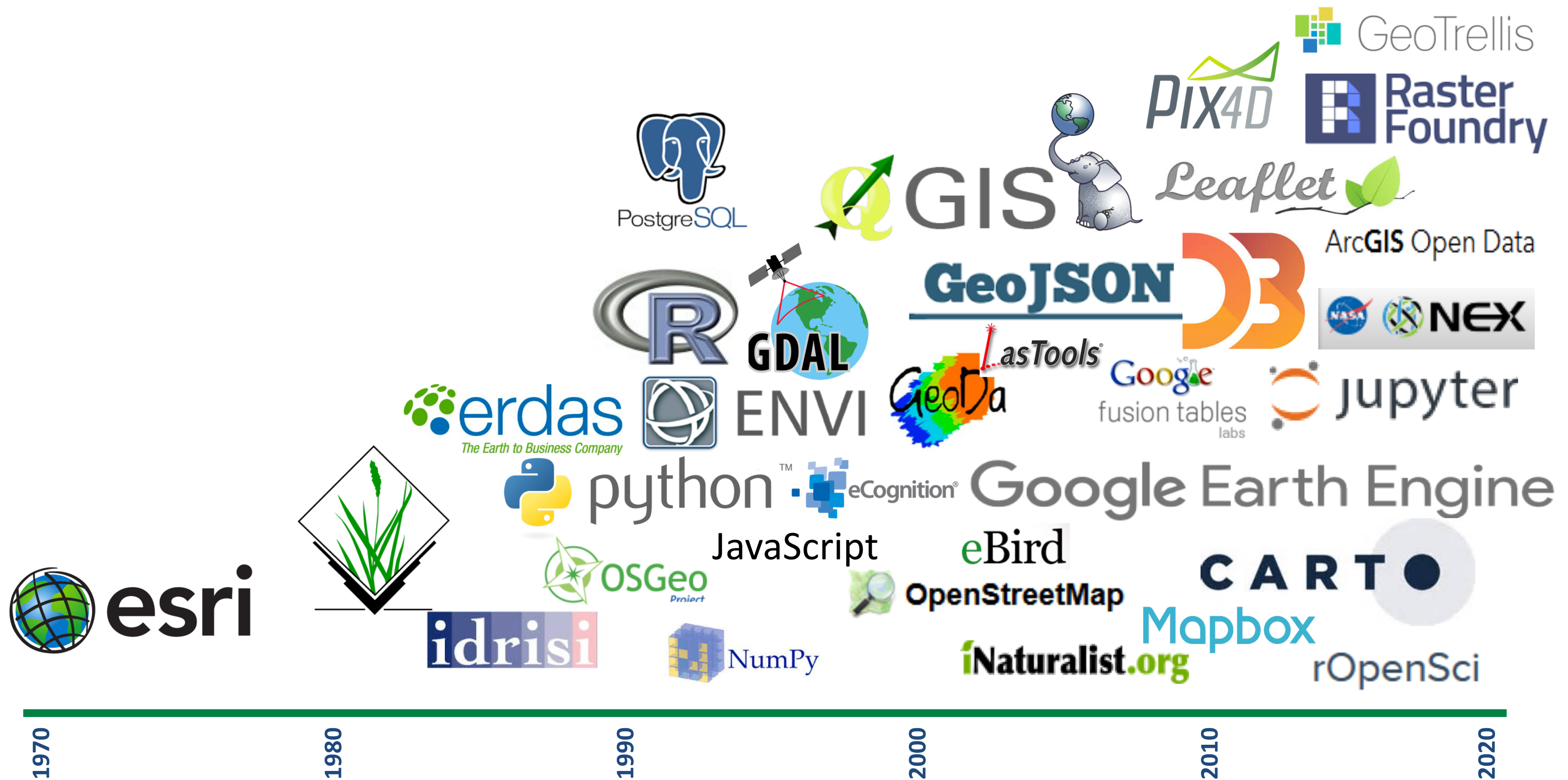
Long Drought Scenarios (LOCA)



Charts of temperature, precipitation plus a set of VIC variables from two 30 year drought periods.

Coming Soon

Trends: Choices in Analysis & Web Mapping



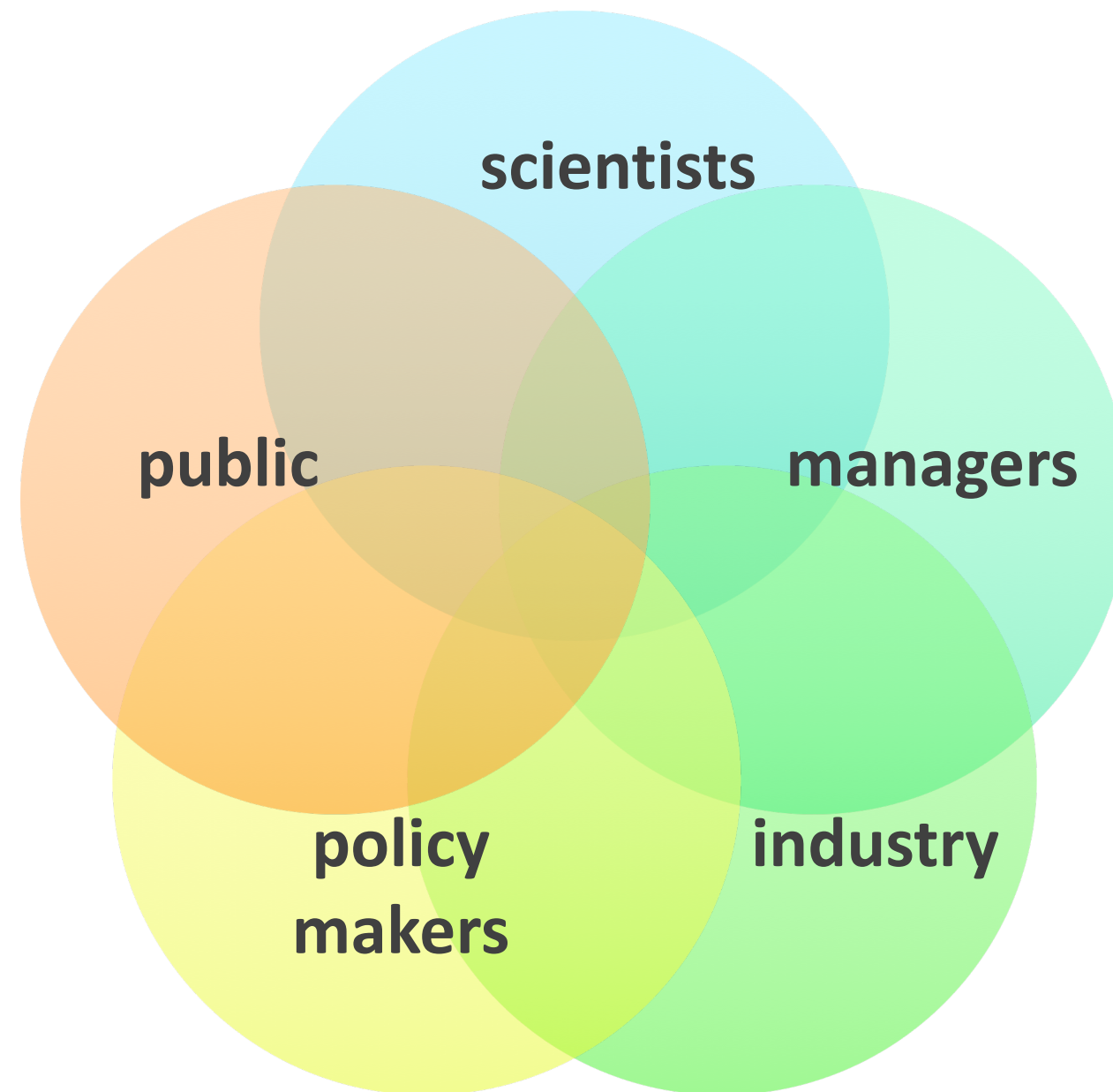
tools: The Spatial Tool Landscape is Changing Fast

bespoke workflows

reproducibility &

transparency

people: The Citizen-Science-Practitioner Nexus



There are social dimensions to collaboration success, yet successful collaboration can also be supported by technology

Mapping makes exchanges between groups easier and more powerful

Trends: Collaborative Workflows



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Watch ▾

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Self-paced tutorials and classroom teaching modules that review key data literacy concepts and data analysis skills. Published materials can be found at [neonscience.org/neondataskills](http://www.neonscience.org/neondataskills) [http://www.neonscience.org/neondatask...](http://www.neonscience.org/neondataskills)

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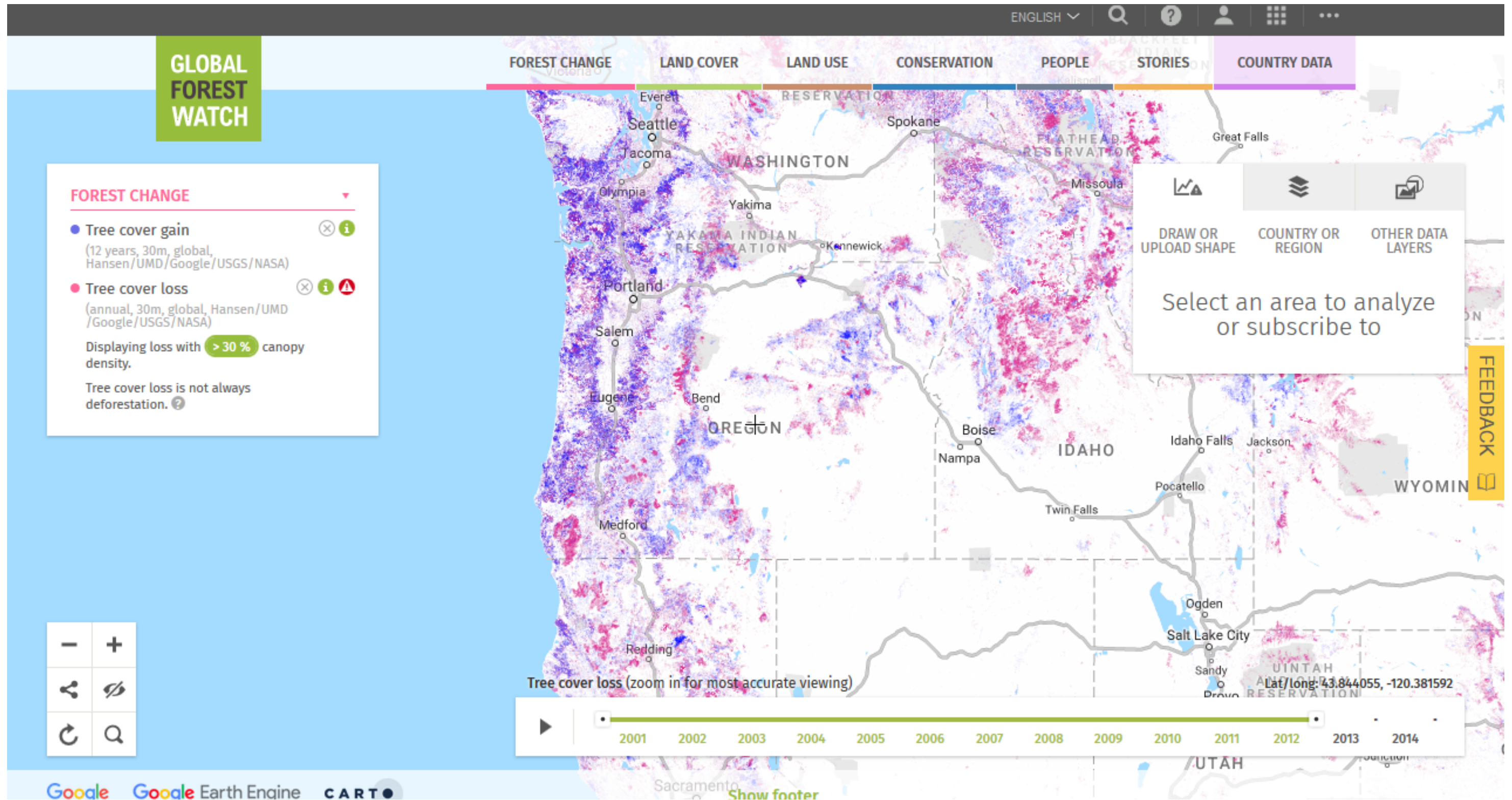
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Standardized team workflow conventions that support reproducibility, collaboration & communication

Trends: Geo-collaboratories



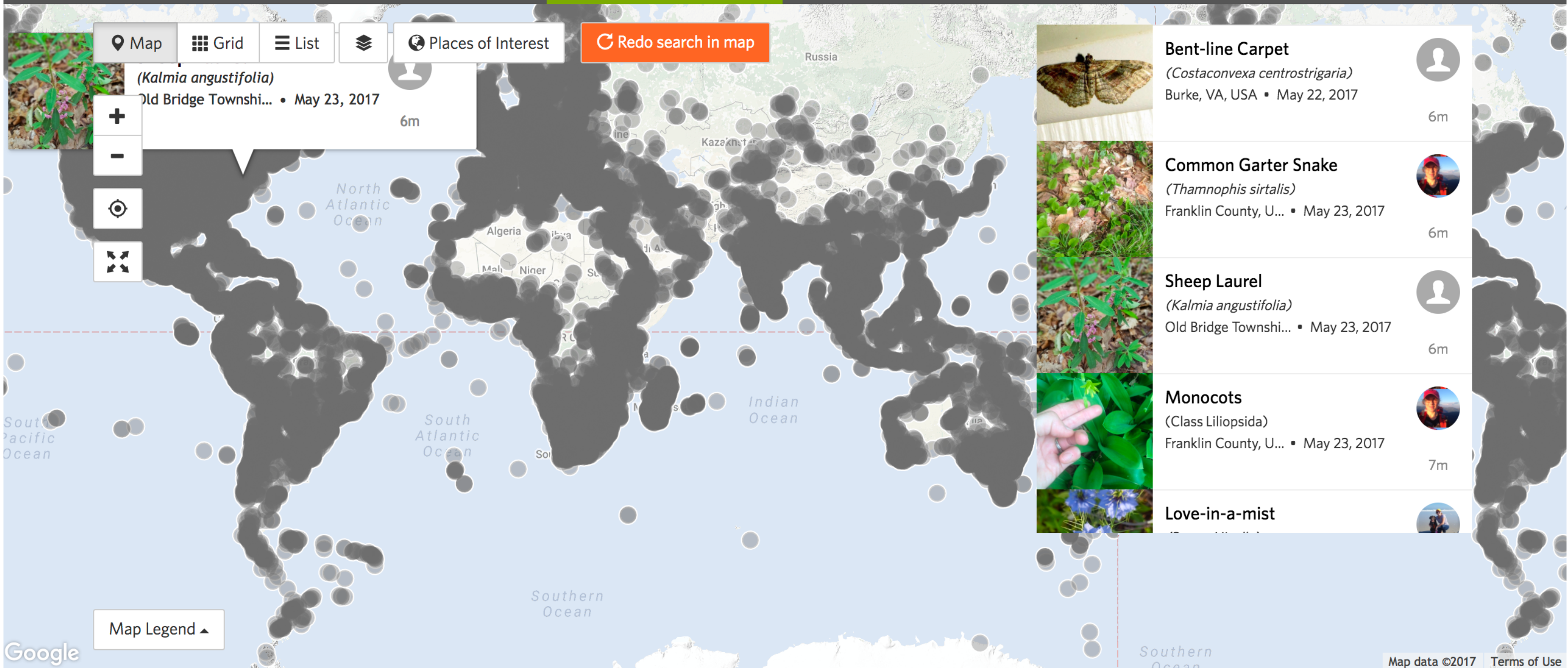


Trends: Geo-collaboratories

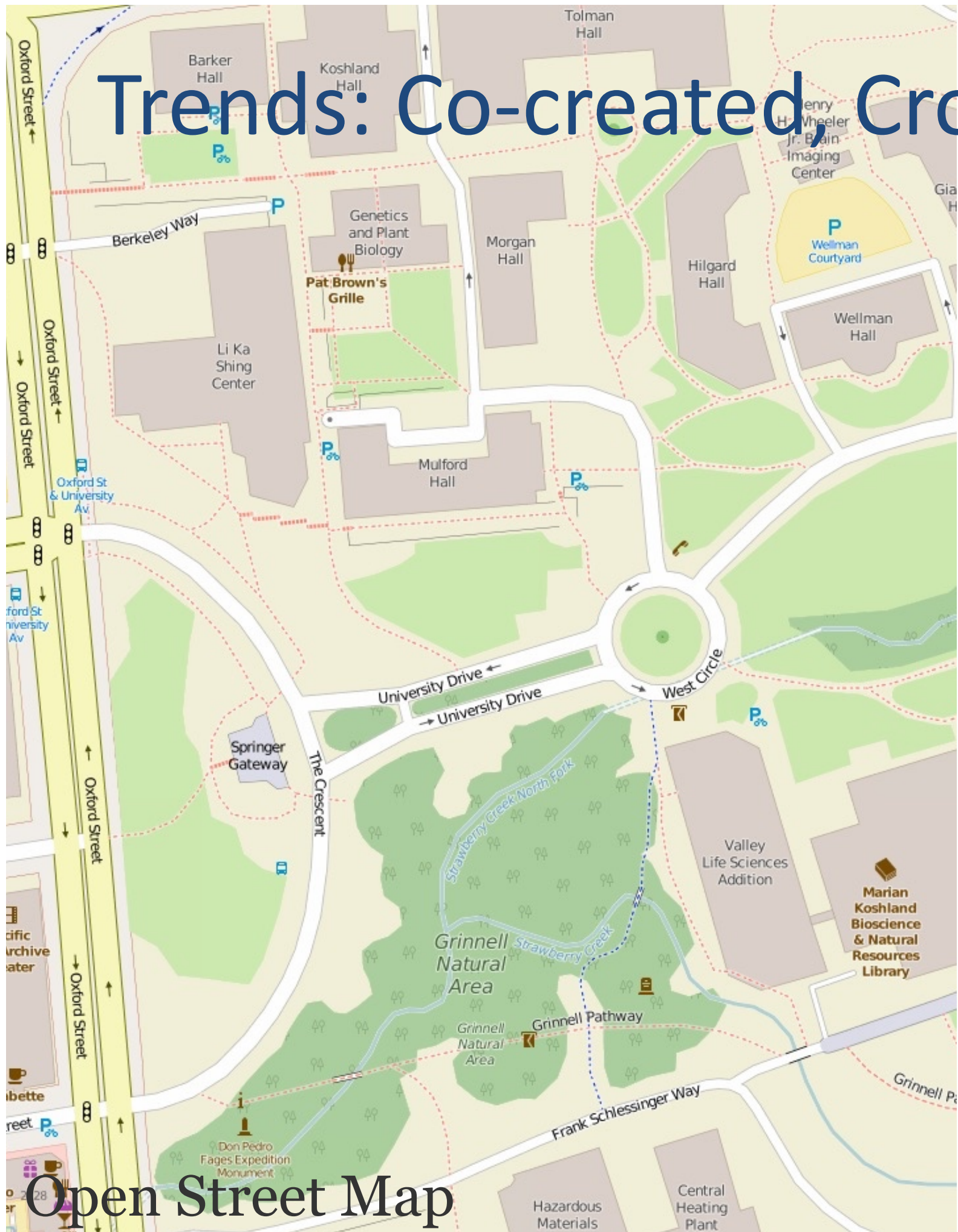
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Filters

The World

4,616,344
OBSERVATIONS111,045
SPECIES20,594
IDENTIFIERS108,572
OBSERVERS

Trends: Co-created, Crowd-sourced Data



Open Street Map



Google Maps

people: Collaboration is Critical and Useful

collaboration

engagement

impact

Some Case Studies From My Work

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data +

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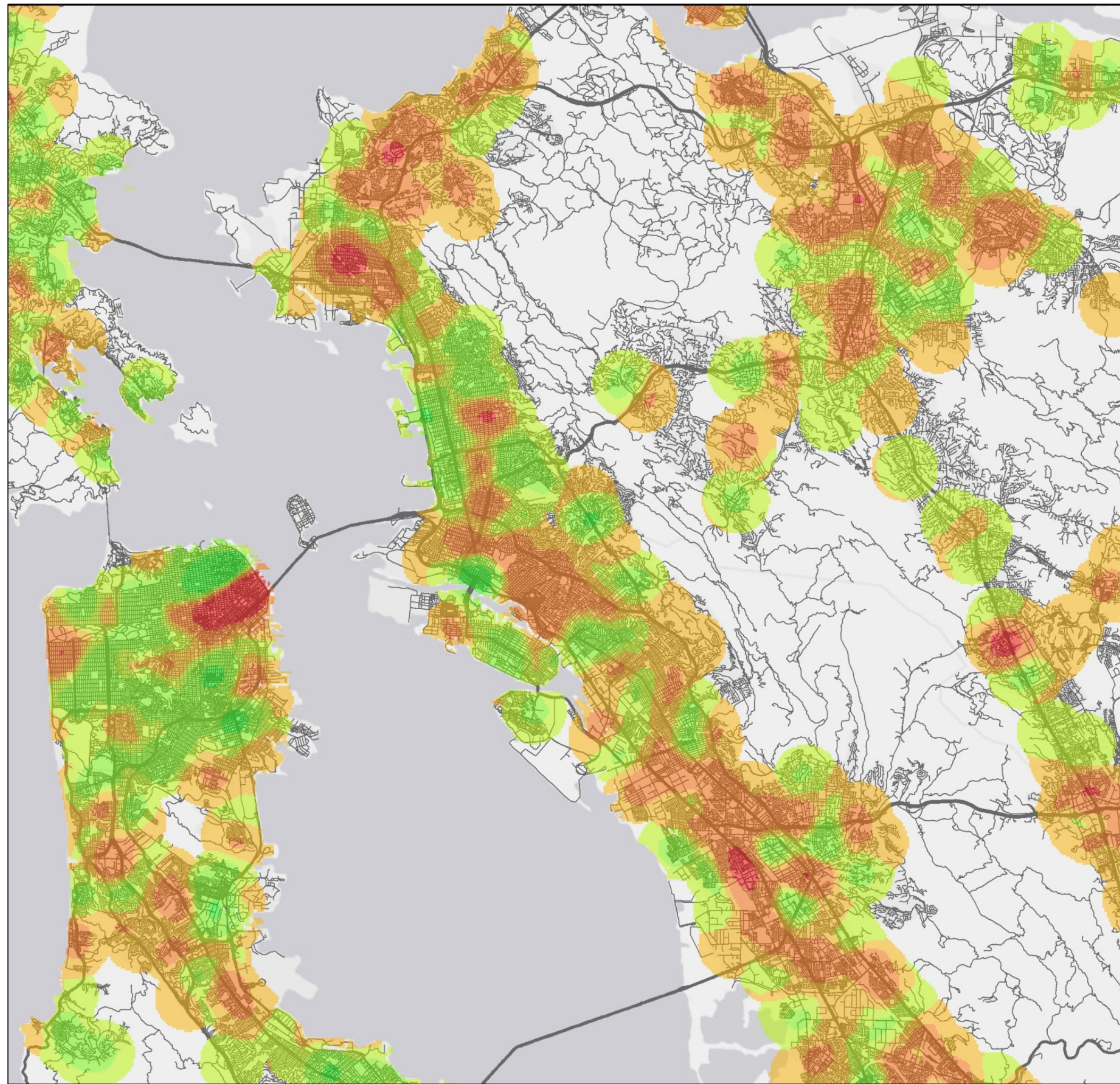
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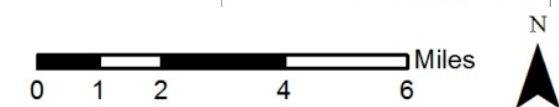
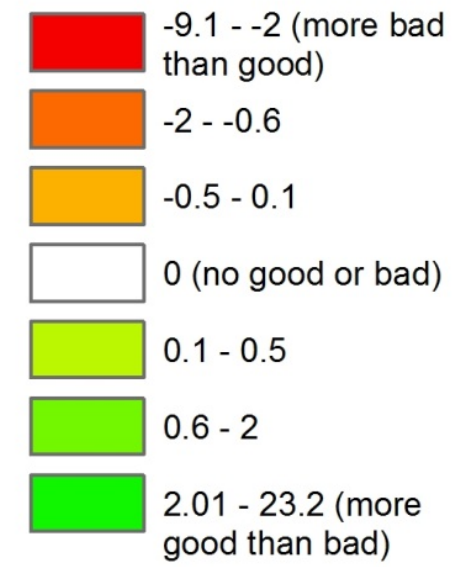
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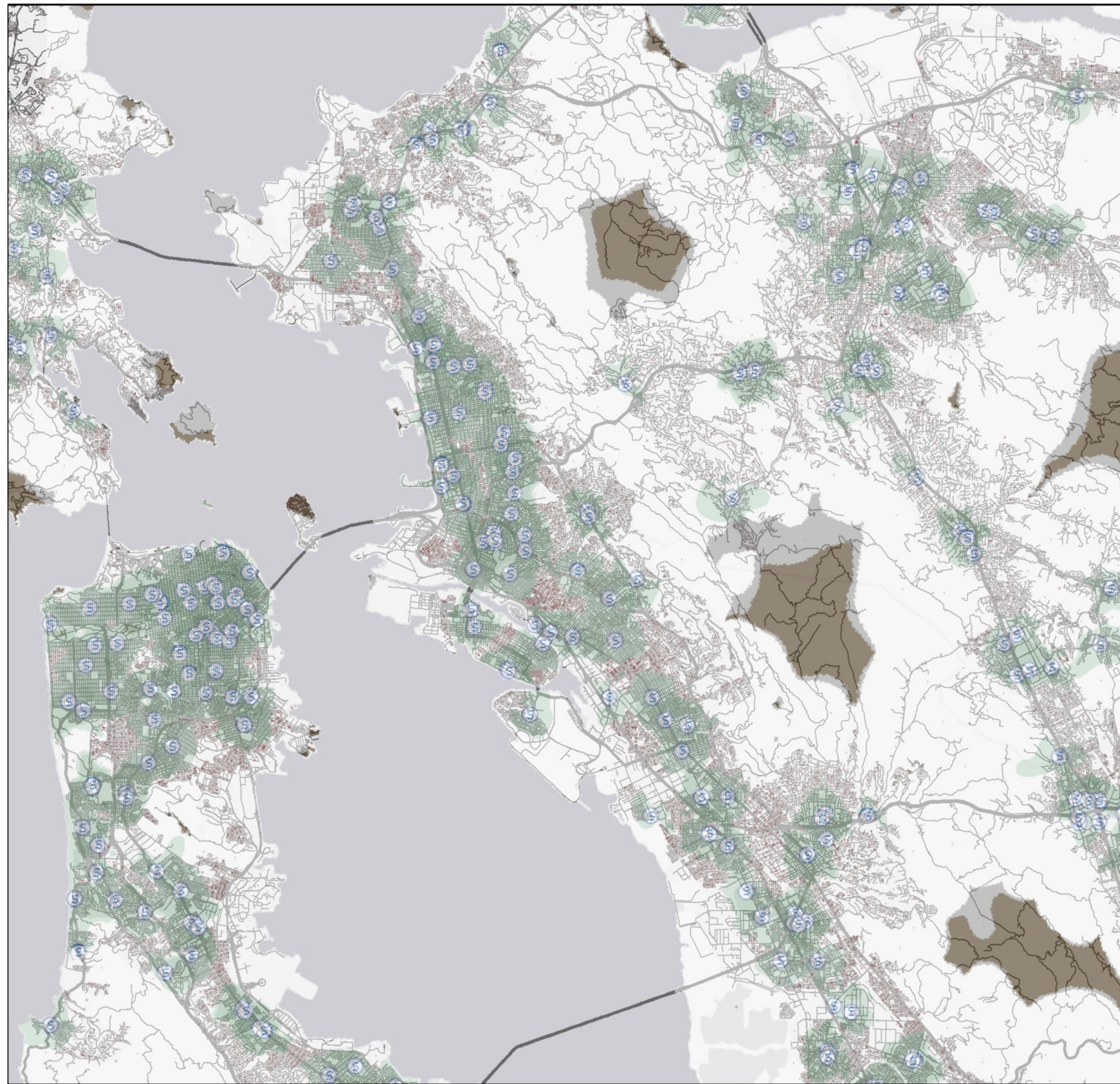
people



**Our Space Food Environment
Density Difference**

"Good" food minus "bad" food





ESRI Food Desert

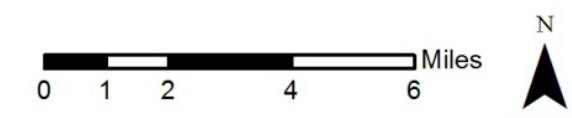
- Supermarket
- People in Poverty with Low Access
- People in Poverty with High Access

Supermarkets within 1 Mile Walk

- 11 or more supermarkets
- 3 to 10 supermarkets
- 2 supermarkets
- 1 supermarket

Supermarkets within 10 Minute Drive

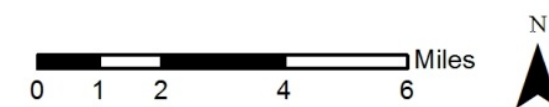
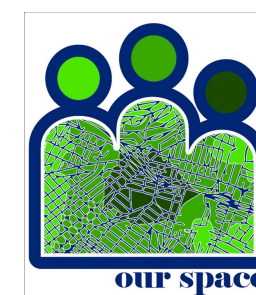
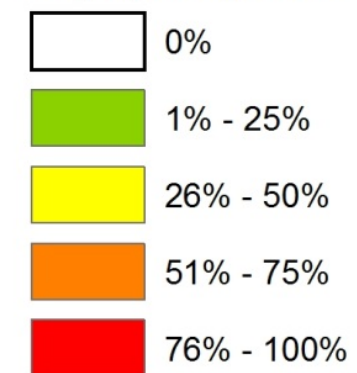
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- No supermarkets with 1 mile walk

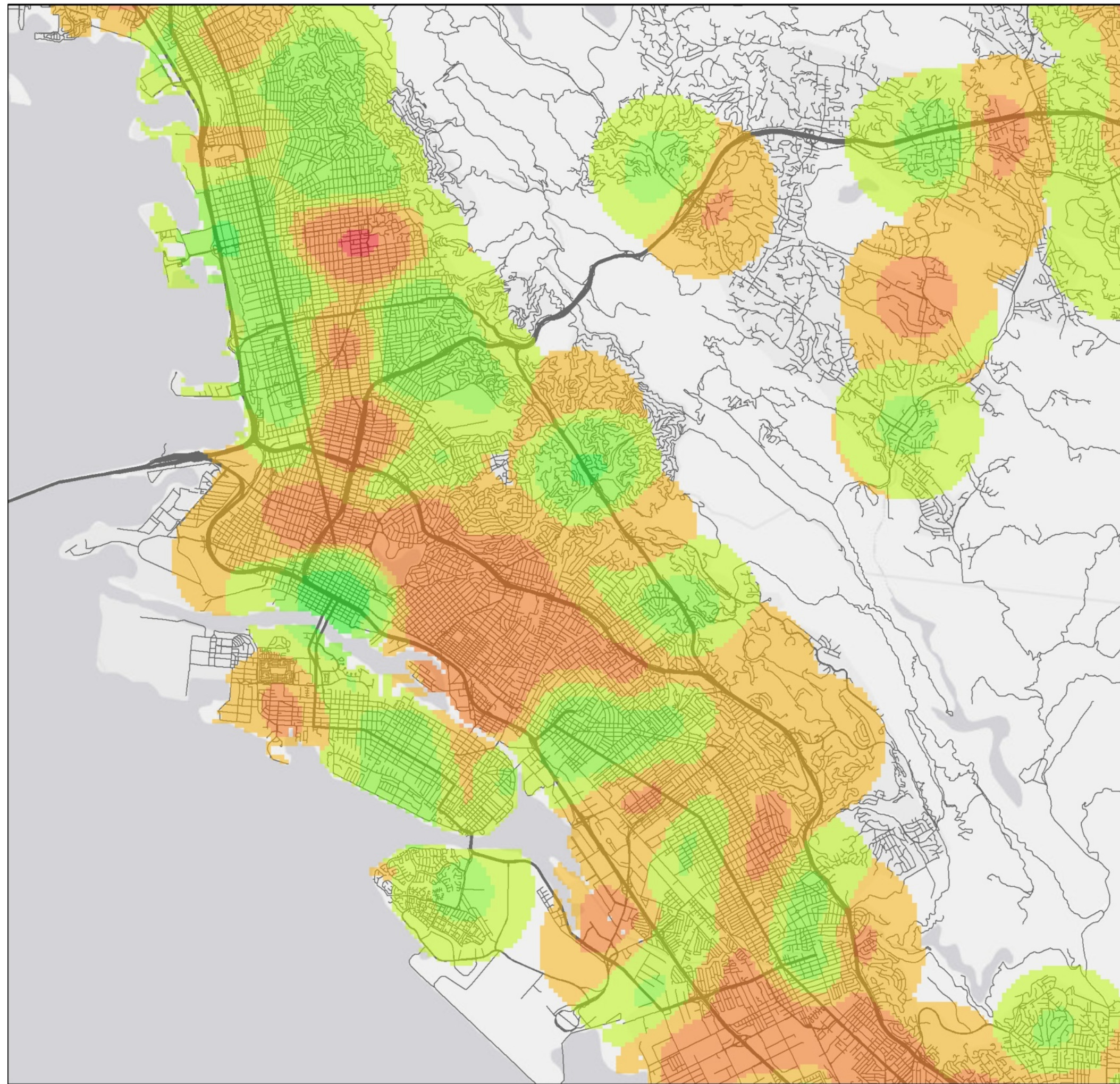




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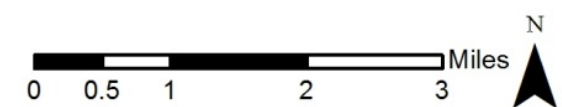
Percentage of people with low access to a supermarket or large grocery store

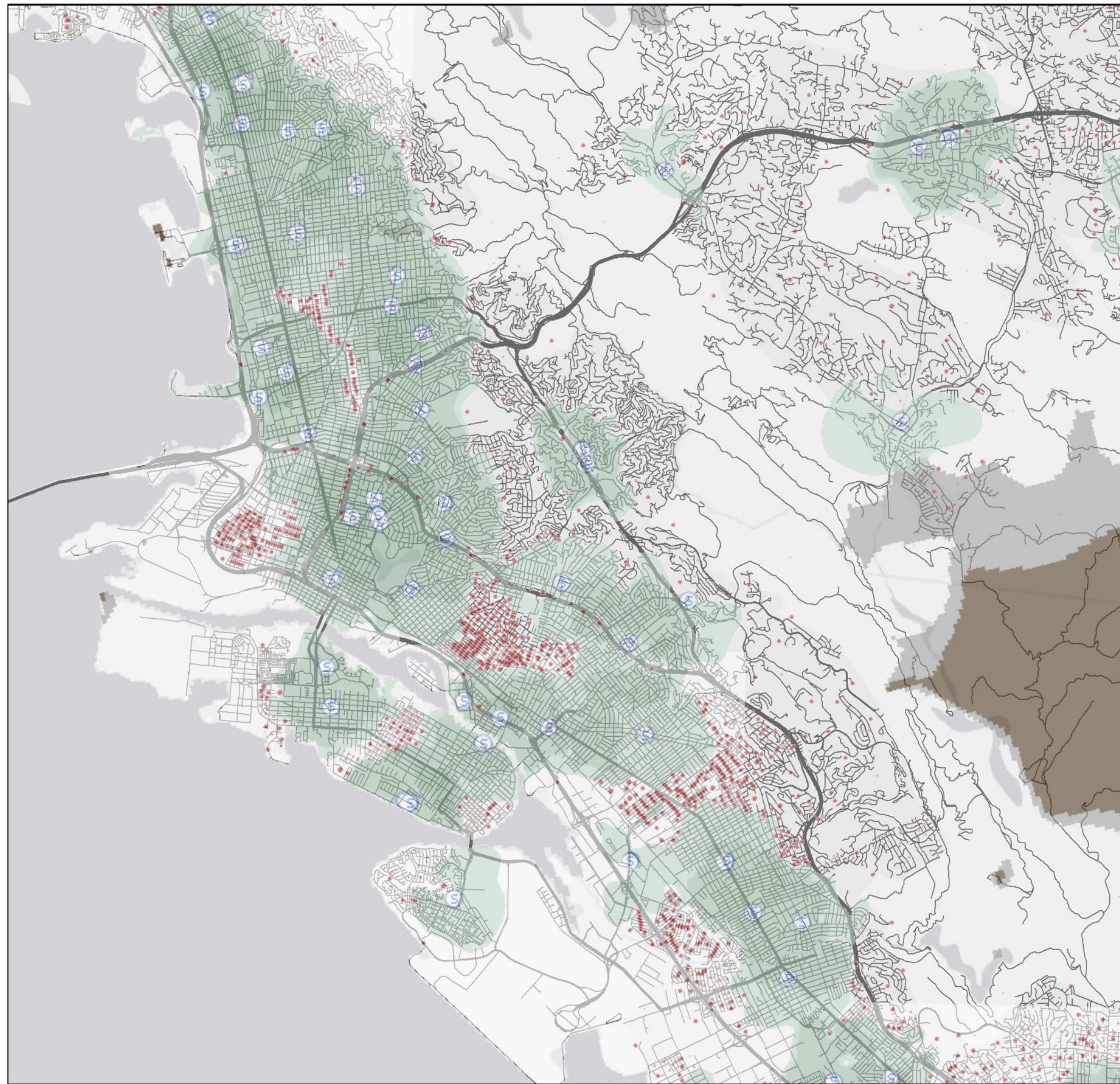







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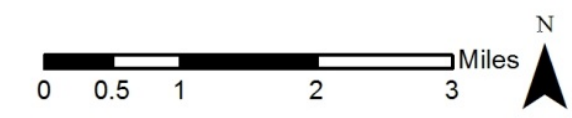
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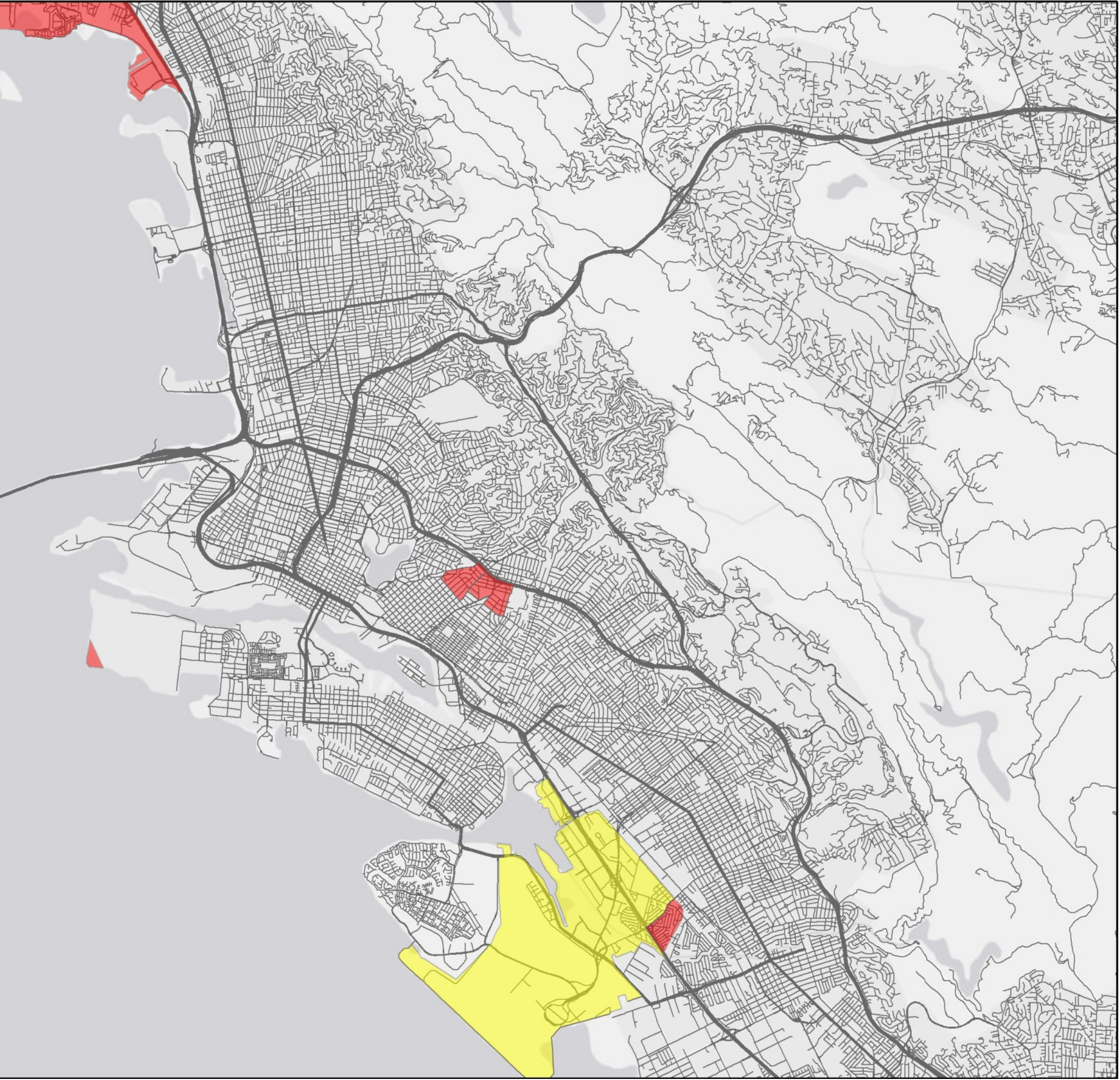
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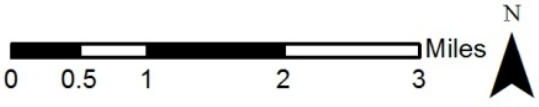
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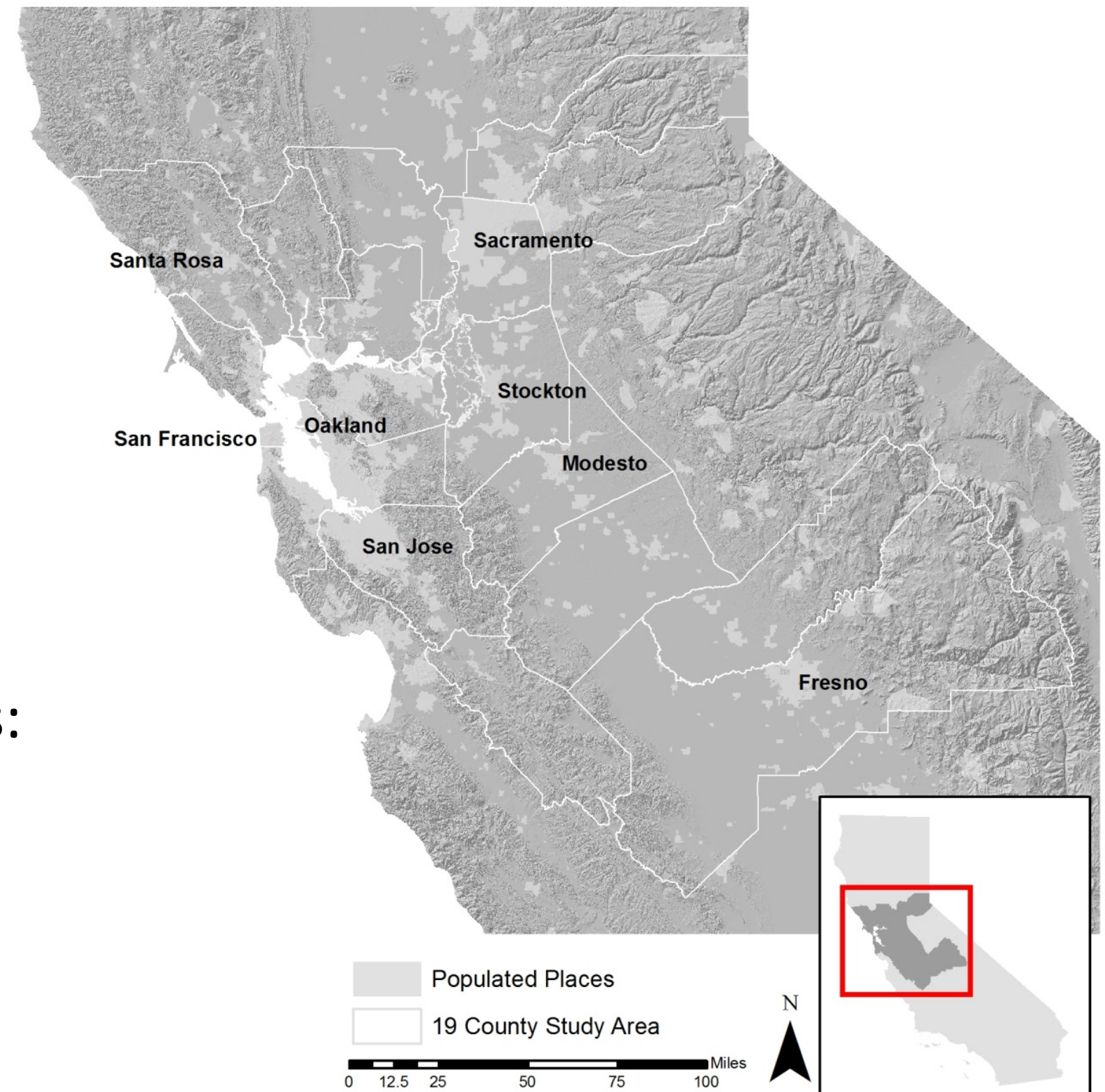


Questions that can be asked using these data

- Are there patterns in my data? Are people, phenomena clustered?
- Are there local influences on health outcomes?
- How might mobility & changes in environment through time impact health outcomes?
- How can we best visualize the health landscape?

Study Area

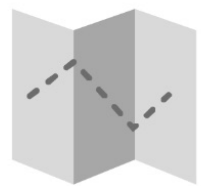
- 19 county Kaiser Permanente Northern California service area
- Encompasses a diversity of environment types ranging from:
 - Urban to suburban to rural
 - Coastal to inland
- 2010 population: ~12 million
- Major metropolitan statistical areas:
 - San Jose-San Francisco-Oakland
 - Sacramento-Arden Arcade-Yuba City
 - Fresno-Madera



School Neighborhoods

IGIS has been working with NPI to look at social amenities in the areas surrounding schools.

Local Ground helps you tell the story of Your World



Story Maps

Create story maps that take your visitor on a journey through your data



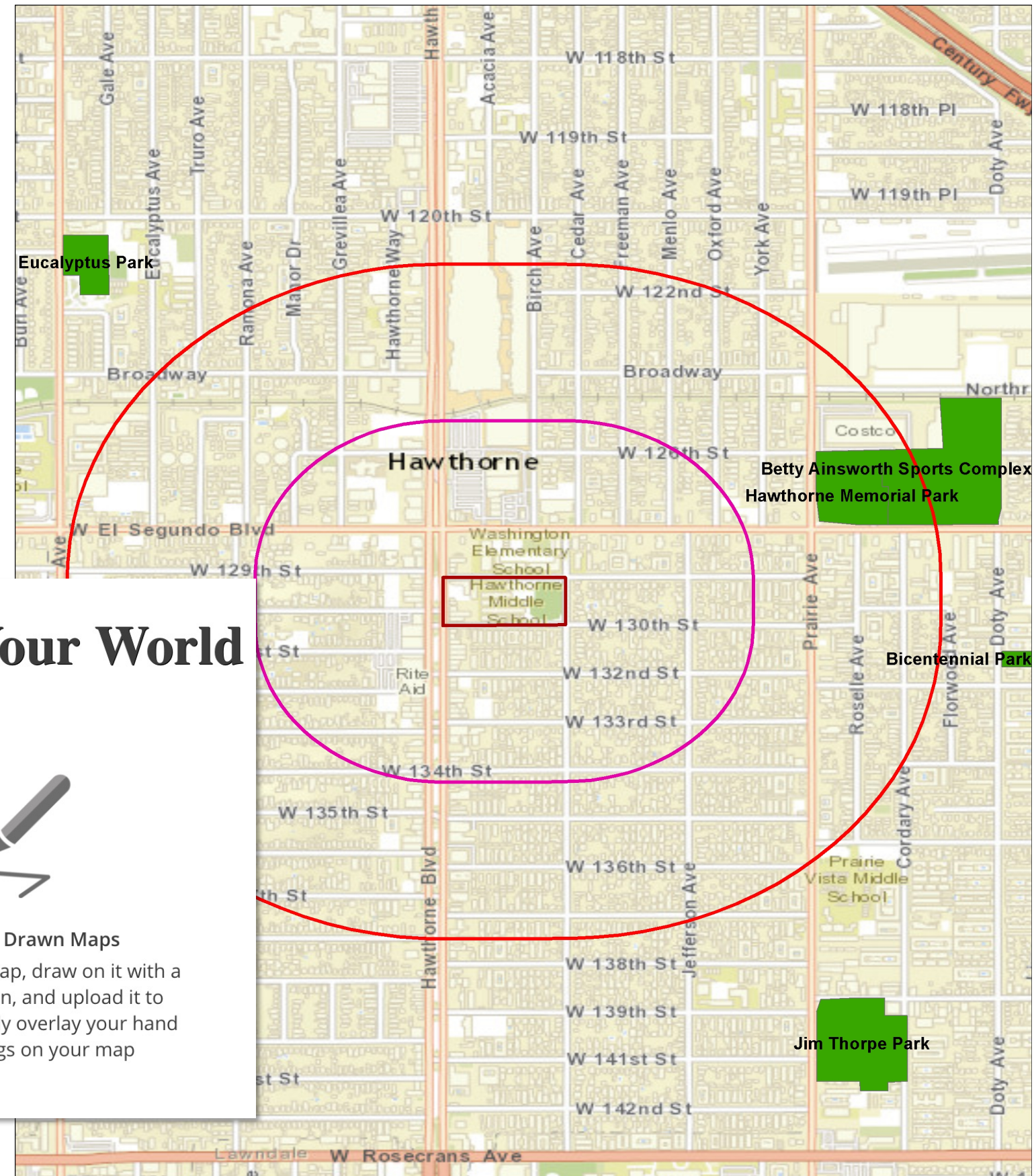
Data Visualization

Visualize your spatial data



Hand Drawn Maps

Print your map, draw on it with a colored pen, and upload it to automatically overlay your hand drawings on your map



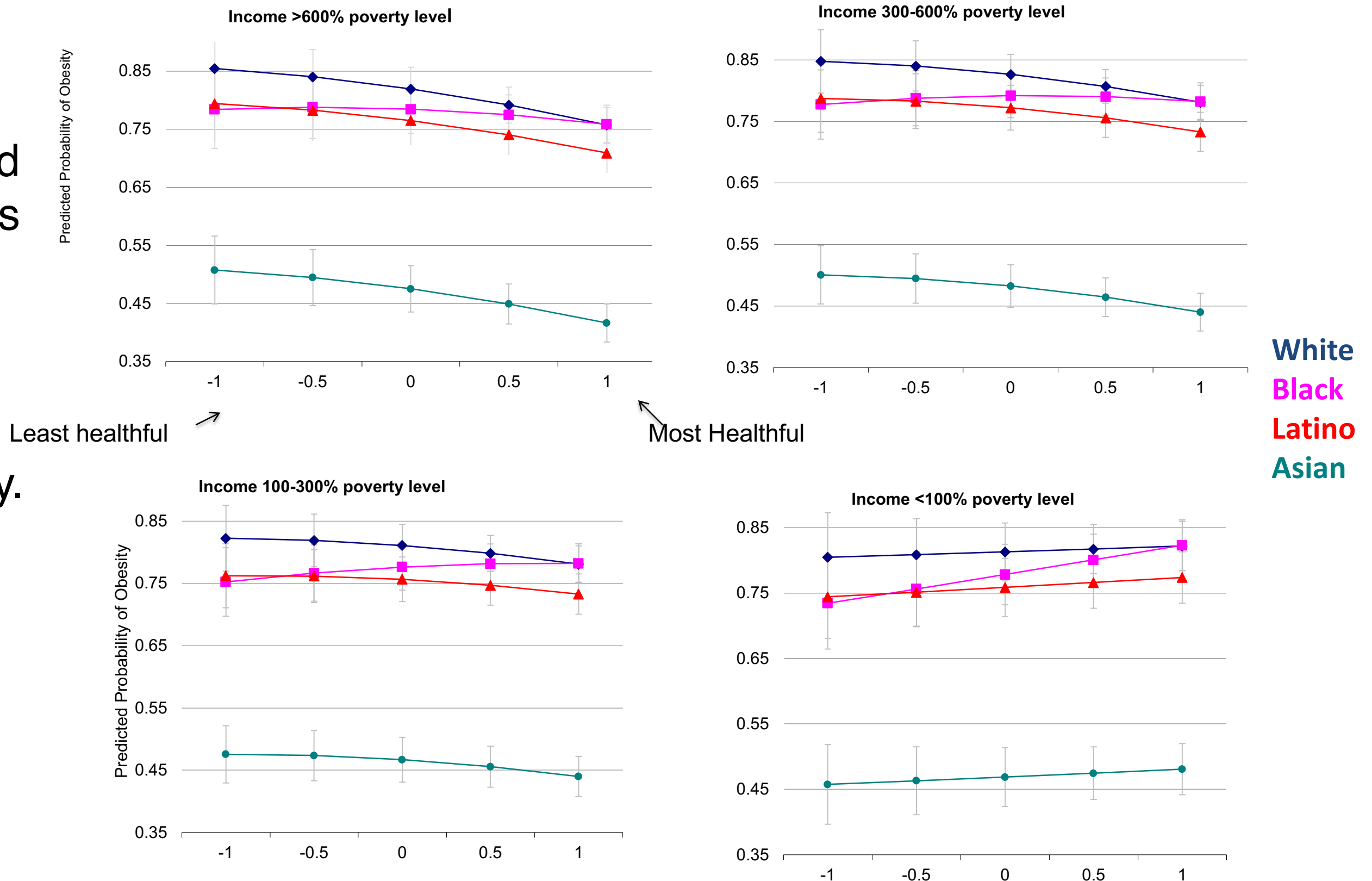
48 - Hawthorne Middle School



<http://localground.org/>

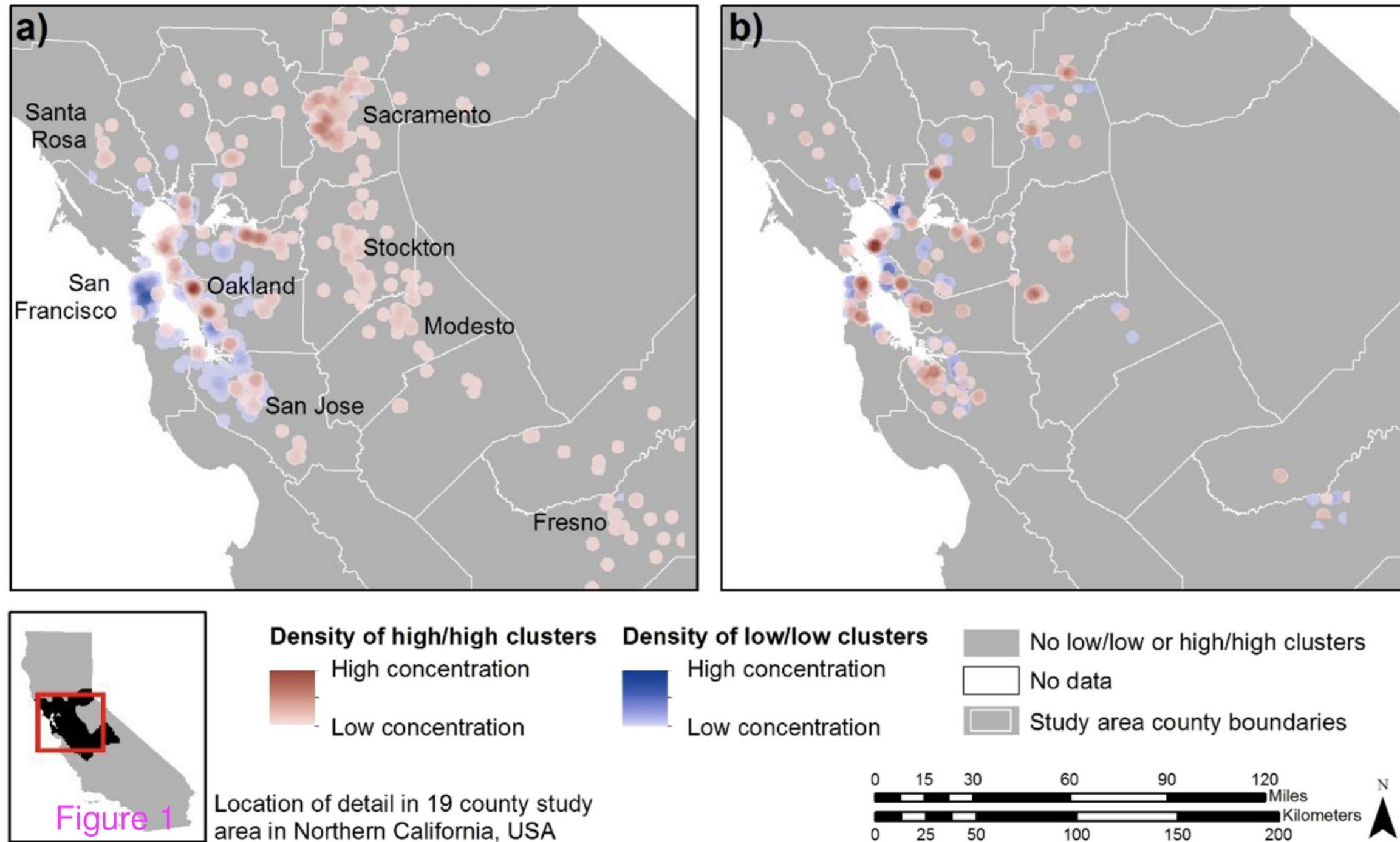
Difference in Kernel Density of BMI-Healthful vs. BMI-Unhealthful Food Venues

Examining associations between food environments and adult obesity, individual income & race/ethnicity.



Jones-Smith, J. C., M. Wharton, M. Kelly, E. Kersten, A. Karter, N. Adler, D. Schillinger, H. Moffett, and B. A. Laraia. 2013. Obesity and the food environment: income and ethnicity differences among people with diabetes, the Diabetes Study of Northern California (DISTANCE). *Diabetes Care* 36: 2697-2705

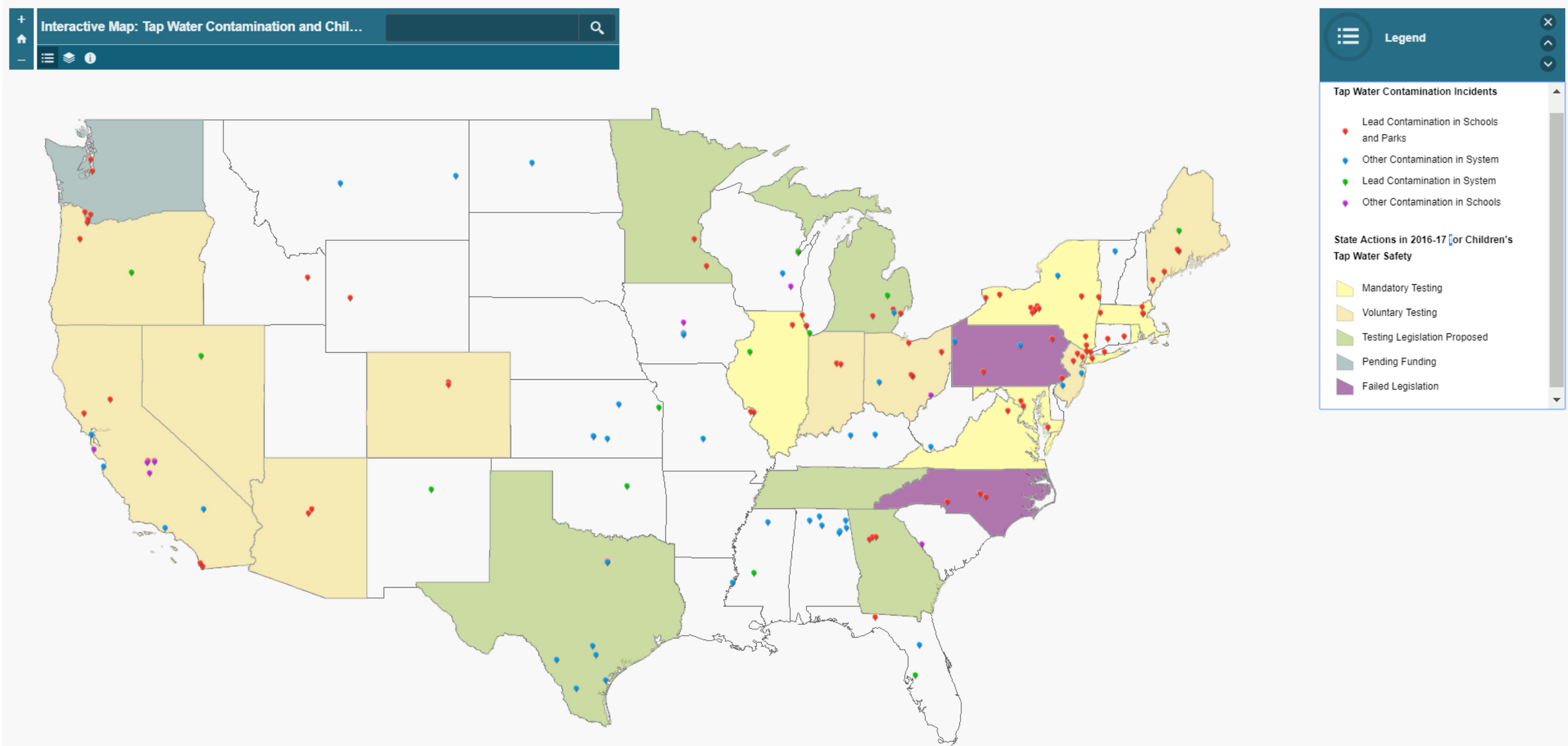
Significant level of clustering of BMI values among adults with diabetes



Examined individual demographic, socioeconomic factors, neighborhood & contextual factors. Found individual choices, conditions, and preferences may play a strong role in how individuals select the neighborhoods in which they live.

Laraia, B.A., S.D. Blanchard, A.J. Karter, J.C. Jones-Smith, E.M. Warton, E. Kersten, M. Jerrett, H.H. Moffett, N. Adler, D. Schillinger and M. Kelly. 2014. Spatial pattern of Body Mass Index among adults in the Diabetes Study of Northern California (DISTANCE). *International Journal of Health Geographics* 13:48

NPI Tap Water Contamination Project



<http://www.drinkingwateralliance.org/new-map>

Resources for You

<http://igis.ucanr.edu/>

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workshops

software

data



office hours

tools & technology



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The 21st Century Mapping Toolkit: Spatial Data Science

people data tools

The Spatial Data Science framework is *geographically-based, computing-intensive, data-rich, reproducible, and collaboration-focused*.

We need to:

- compile disparate **data from multiple sources**;
- use **easily available and open technology** for reproducible data analysis, sharing, and publication;
- apply **core spatial analysis concepts and methods**;
- use **machine learning, deep learning, data mining** to deal with giant spatial-temporal datasets;
- and utilize **visualization & interactive tools** to communicate with project managers, the public, and other stakeholders;

All in order to create **impactful** and **meaningful** solutions to our 21st century environmental challenges

What Do We Need?

- ***Training***: in technology, communication, and spatial concepts
- ***Funding***: for bridging technology, for linking groups, for critical natural resource challenges
- ***Coordination*** between academy, industry, and government for practical, impactful, solution-driven research to solve our natural-human challenges

Thank You

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