



Integrated Landscape Monitoring: Prairie Pilot

Prairie Pilot Science Team

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U.S. Geological Survey

JUSTIFICATION & NEED

USDA

- ✓ Agency influences 400 million acres of cropland and CRP land in the U.S. [2003 Annual NRI-Land Use, May 2006]
- ✓ Steward of 193 million acres of publicly-owned forests and rangelands in the U.S. [www.fs.fed.us/aboutus/, 12/1/2006]

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- ✓ Steward of 506 million acres of public lands [www.doi.gov/facts.html, 12/1/2006]

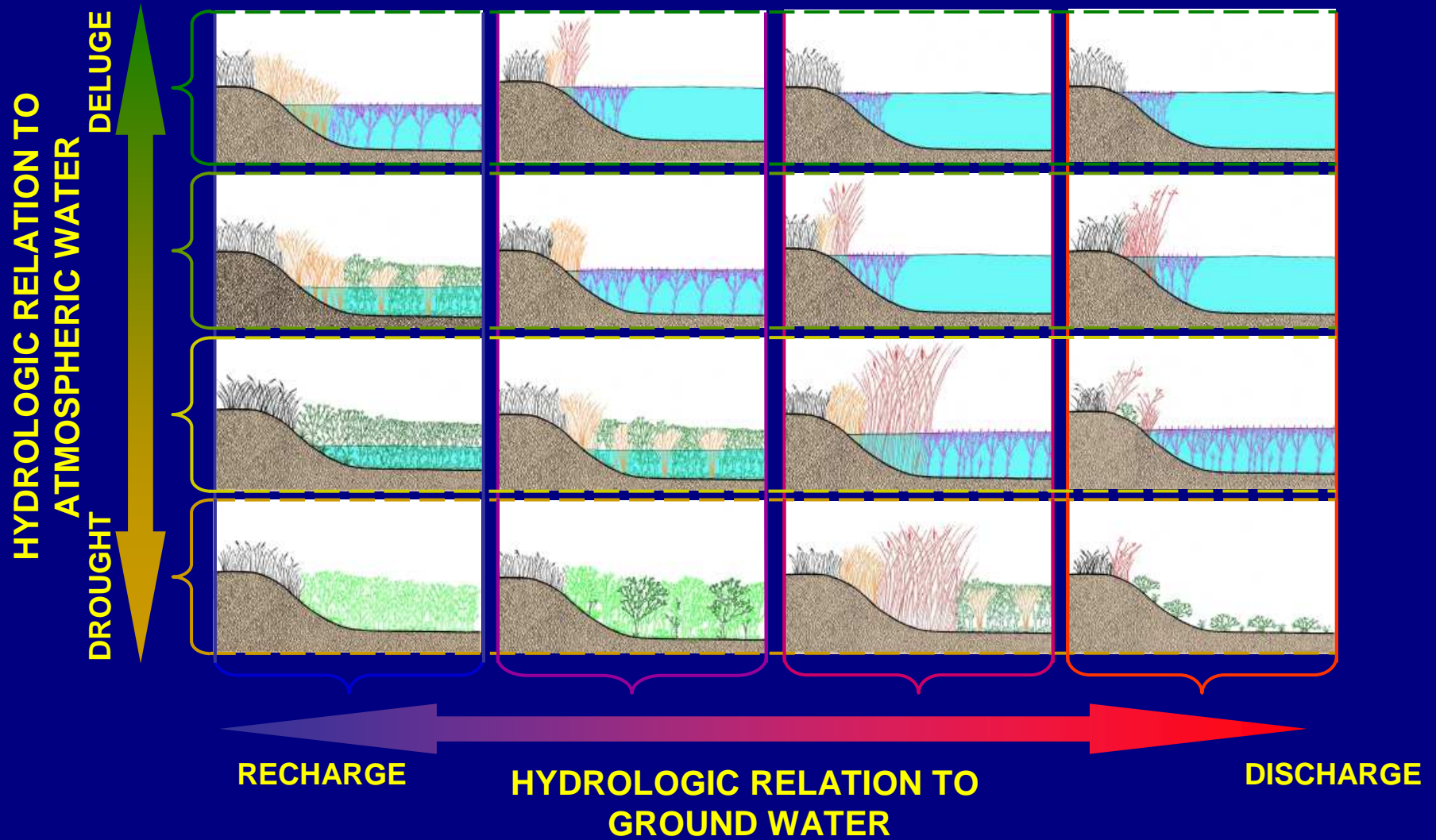
- BLM 262 million acres
- USFWS 94 million acres
- NPS 85 million acres
- BIA 56 million acres
- BOR 9 million acres



GOAL

Develop a Cost-Effective and Practical
Methodology to Quantify **Multiple and
Simultaneous** Outcomes of
Conservation Practices, Programs, and
Land Management Activities

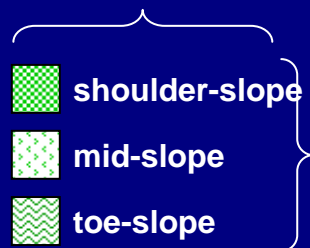
THE WETLAND CONTINUUM







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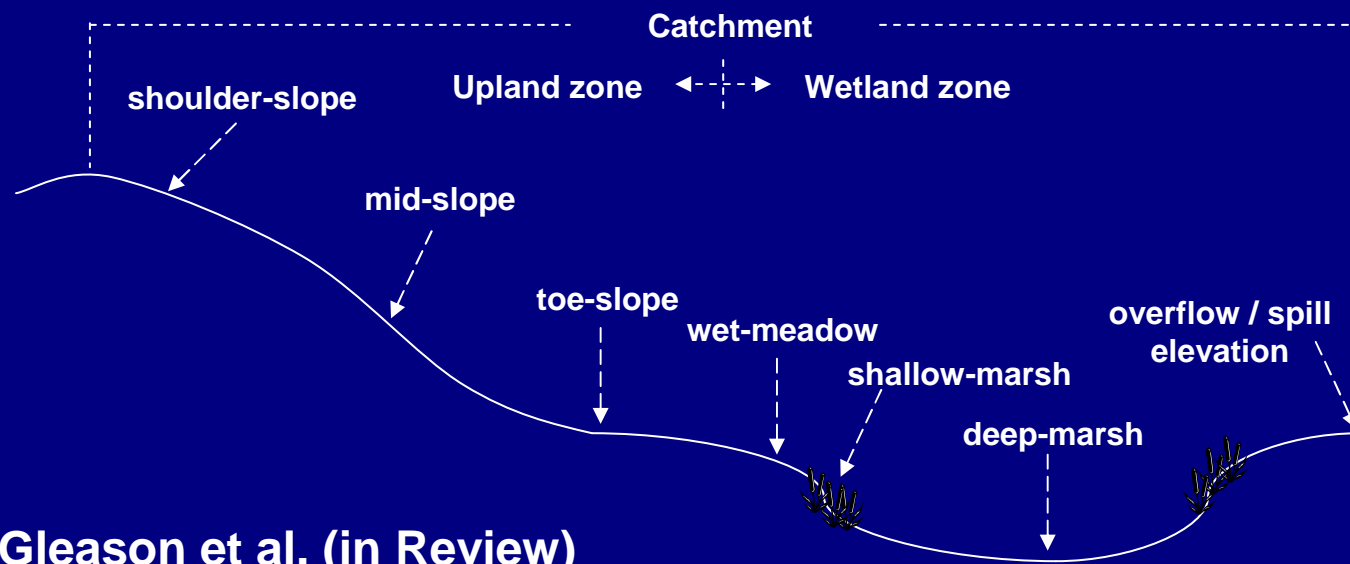
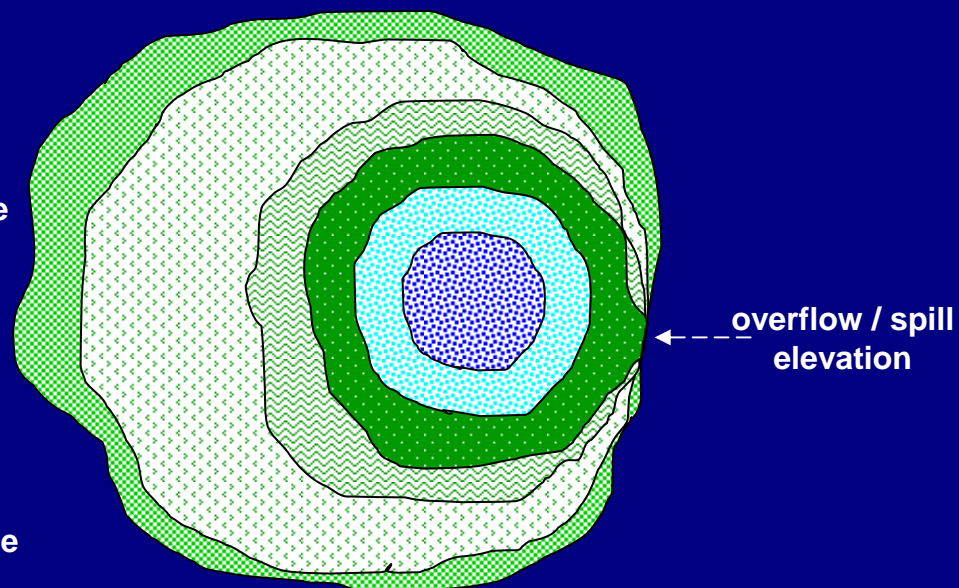


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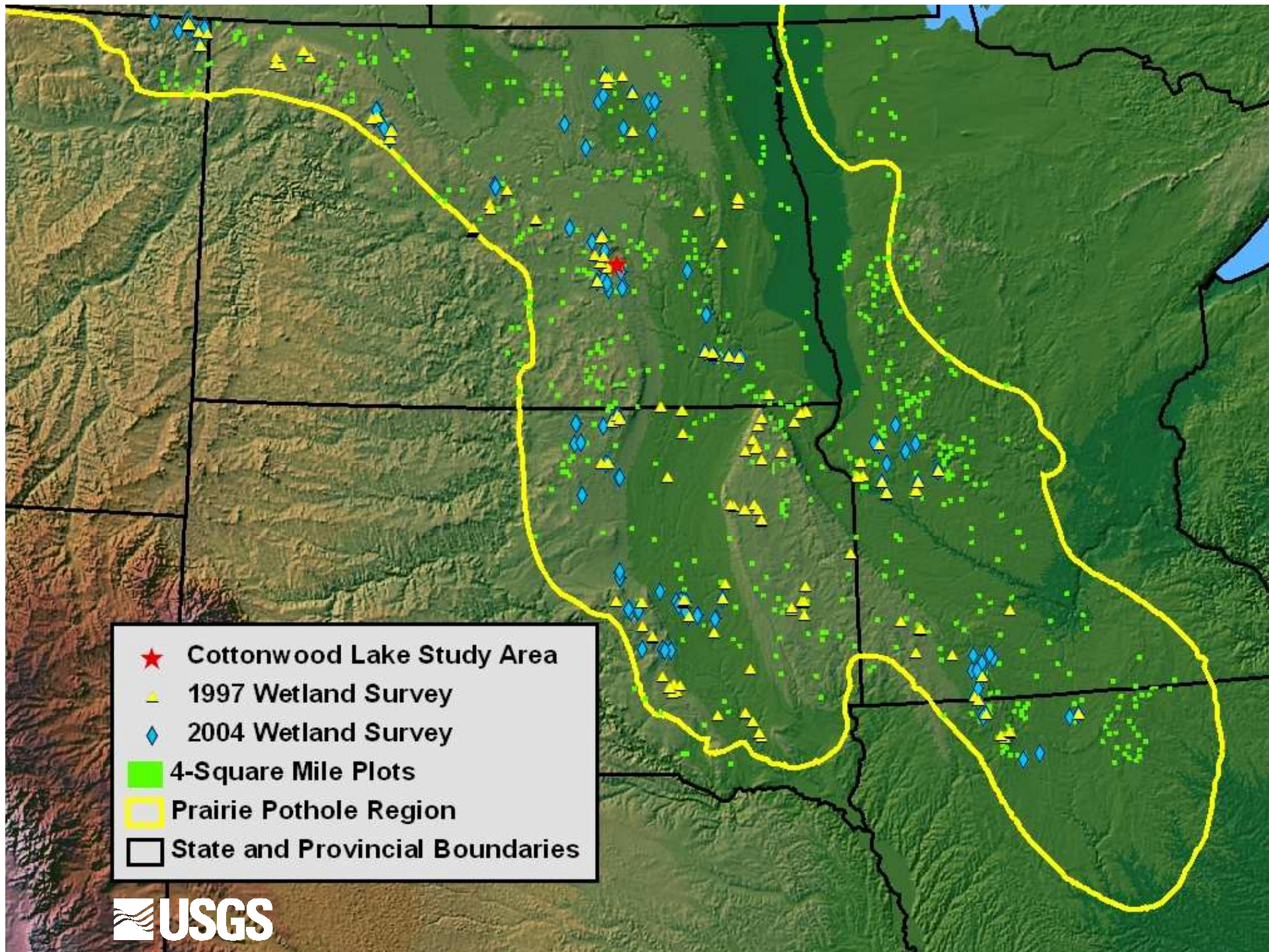
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Wetland zone



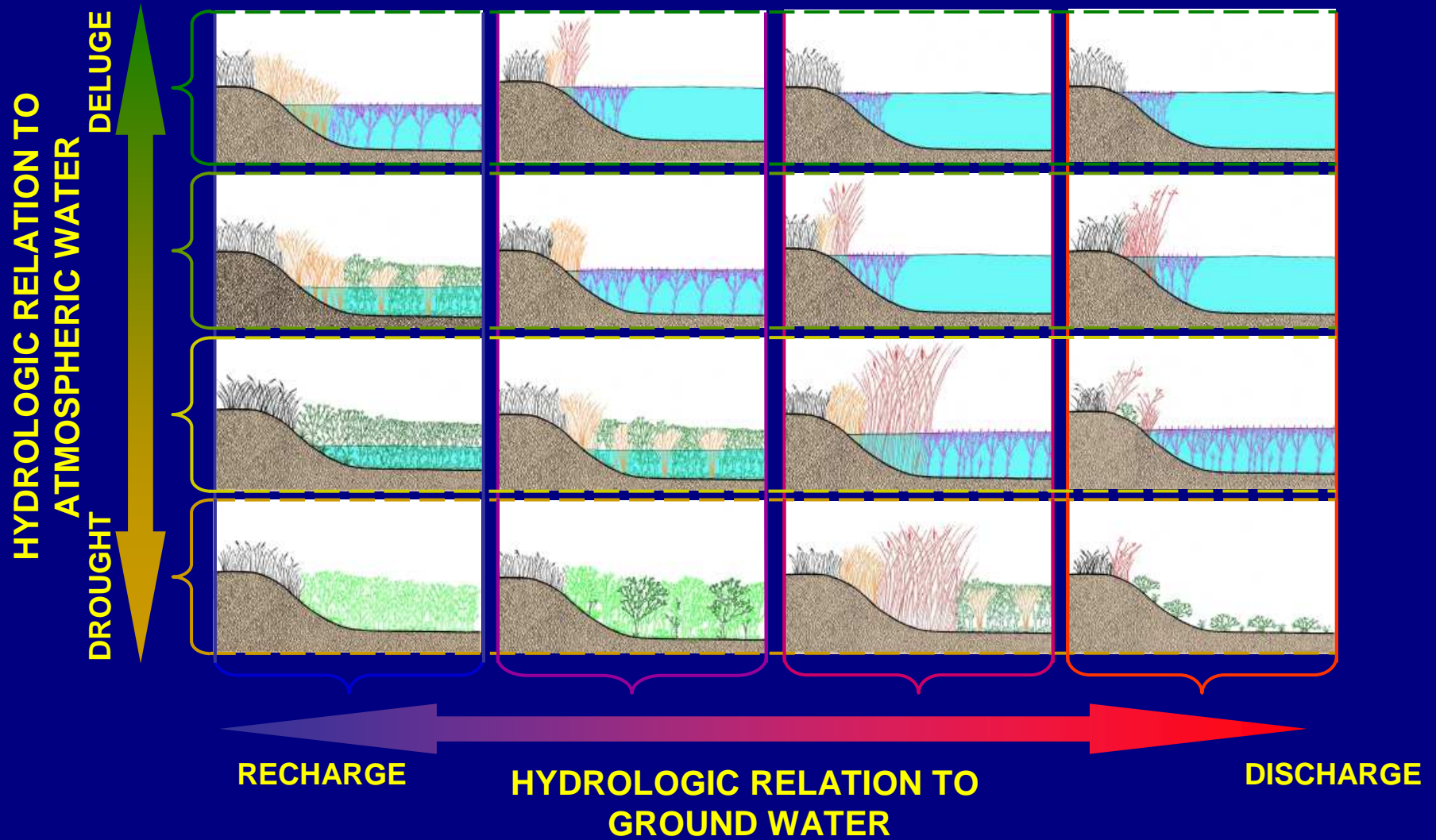
<u>Service</u>	<u>Measure</u>
Floodwater Storage	Estimate of water storage potential
Biodiversity/Habitat Quality	Floristic quality, taxon richness, habitat suitability
Erosion, Sedimentation and nutrient loading potential	Sedimentation and nutrient loading for wetlands in cropland, restored grassland and native prairie
Carbon Sequestration	Estimates of soil and wetland vegetation carbon stocks
Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction	Comparison of rates of reduction greenhouse gas emissions from wetlands in cropland, restored grassland and native prairie



Because wetlands are intricately linked with their upland catchments

**It allows us to consider temporal
wetland phases as ecosystem frames
and to use our knowledge of land-use
influences to make wall-to-wall
landscape assessments and
predictions**

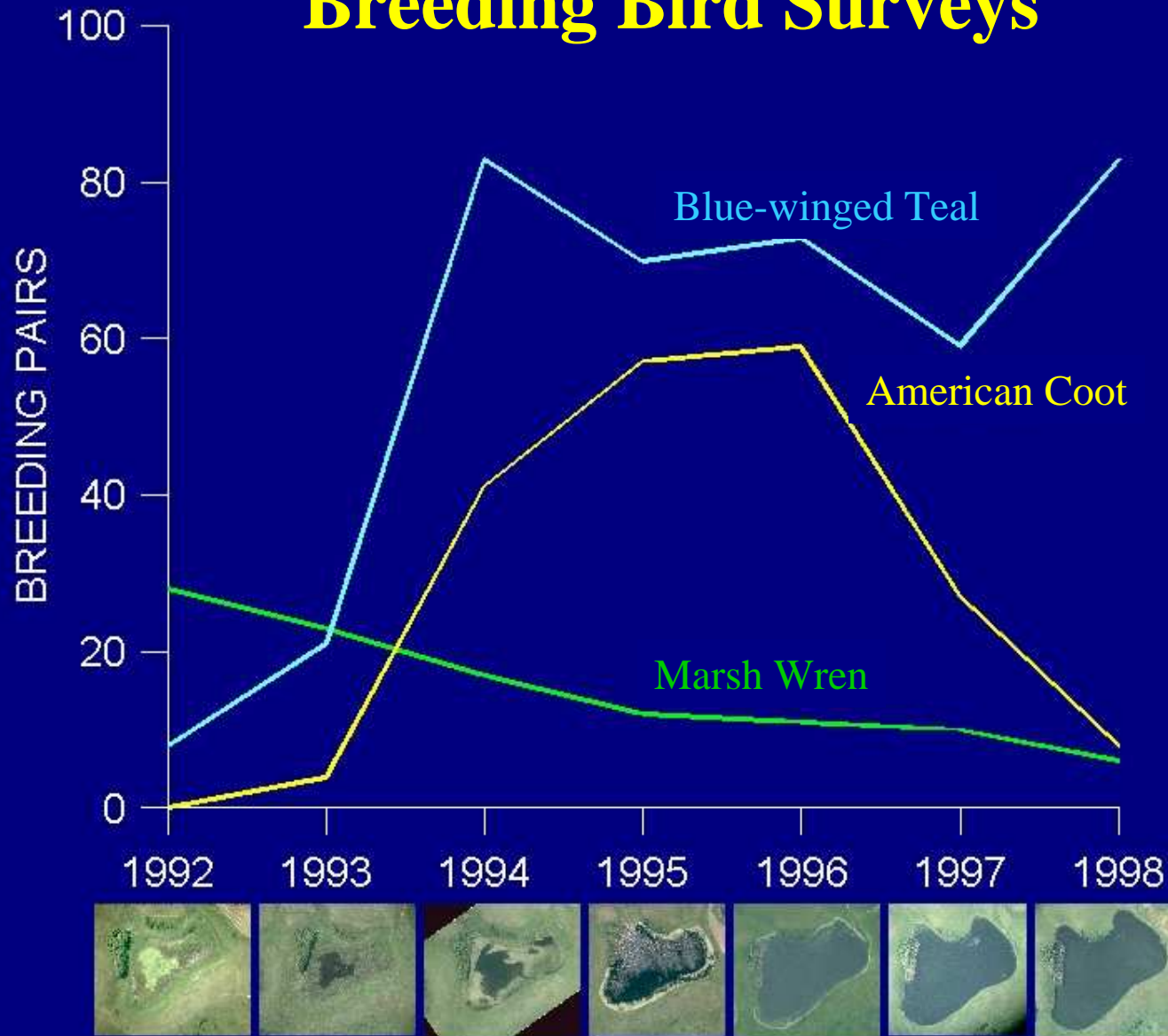
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Cottonwood Lake Study Area Wetland P7



Breeding Bird Surveys



Carbon Sequestration Service



Highly Altered

Relatively Unaltered



Condition Gradient

<u>MLRA</u>	<u>Cropland (OC Mg/ha)</u>	<u>Restored (OC Mg/ha)</u>	<u>Native (OC Mg/ha)</u>
102A	48.1	?	73.4
103	56.2	?	76.7
53C	50.9	?	54.9

Impacts of CRP on Bird A and Carbon Sequestration

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Climate
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Wetland
Frames

Landscape A:
5 Wetlands

Landscape B:
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Plus CRP

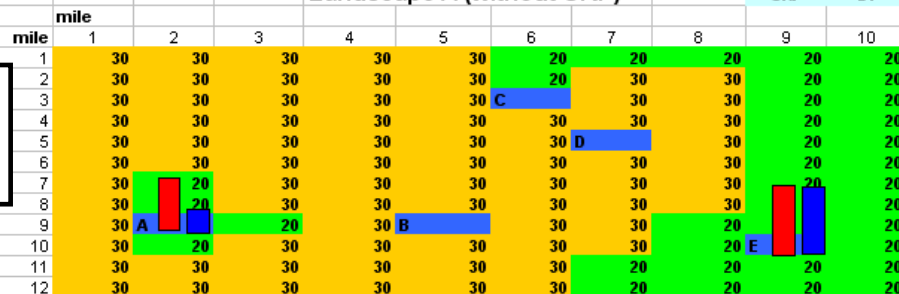


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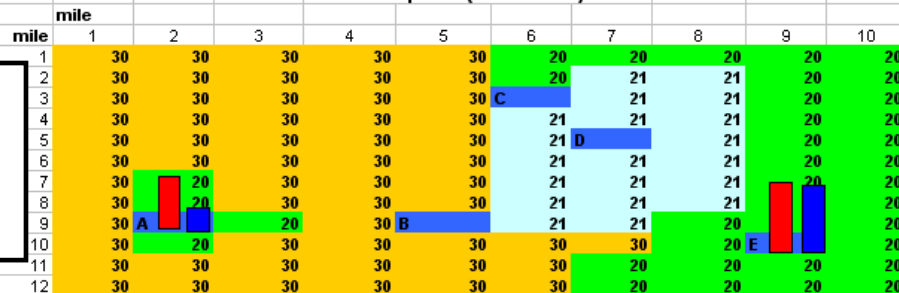
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		30
		21

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Landscape B (with CRP)



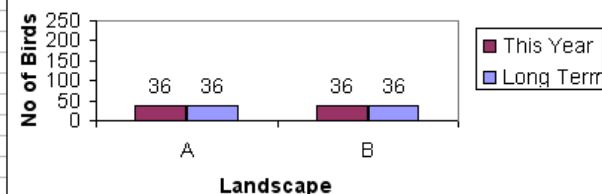
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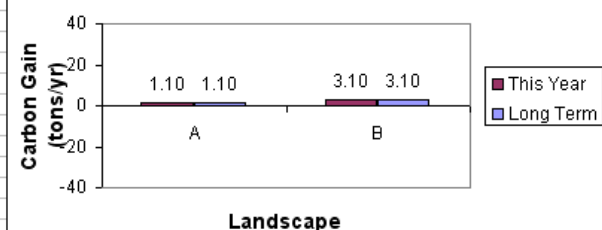
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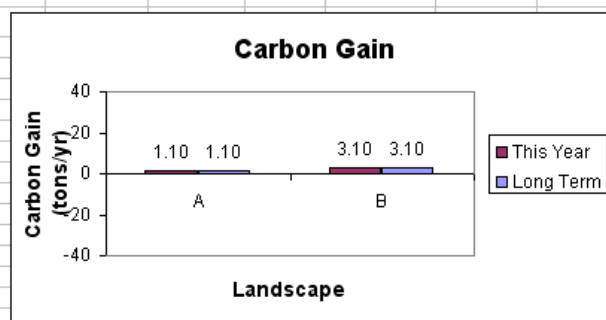
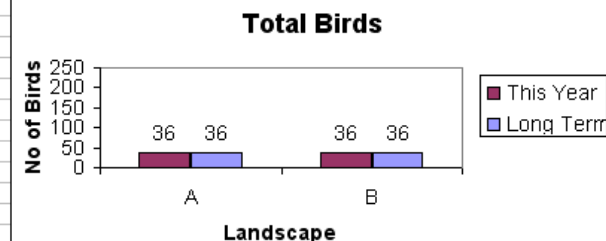
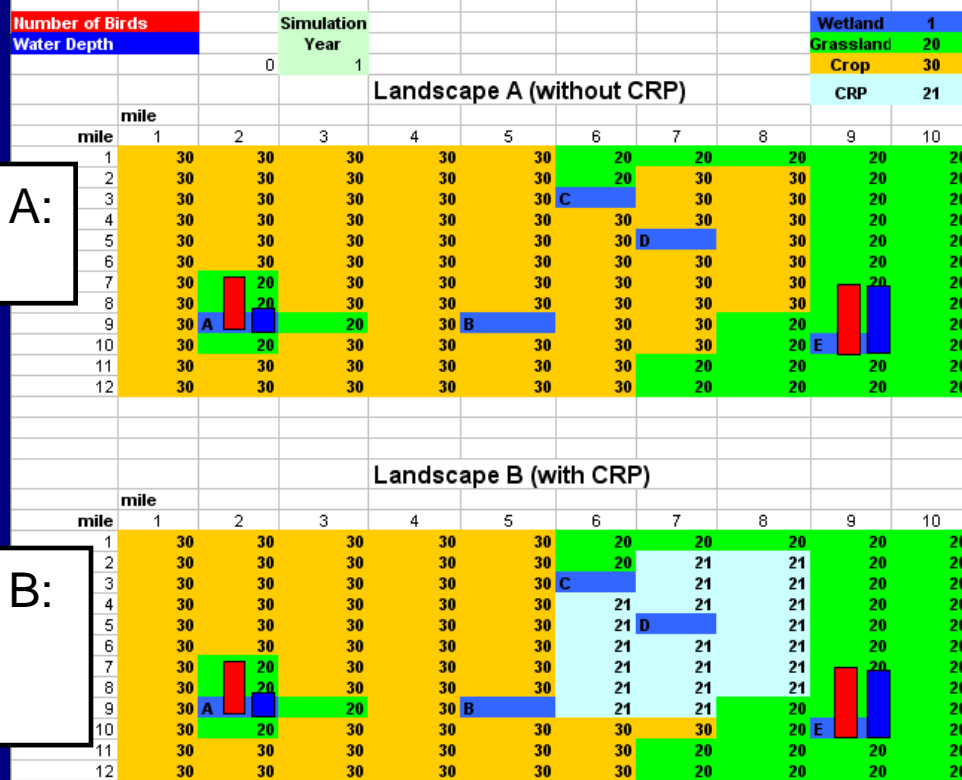
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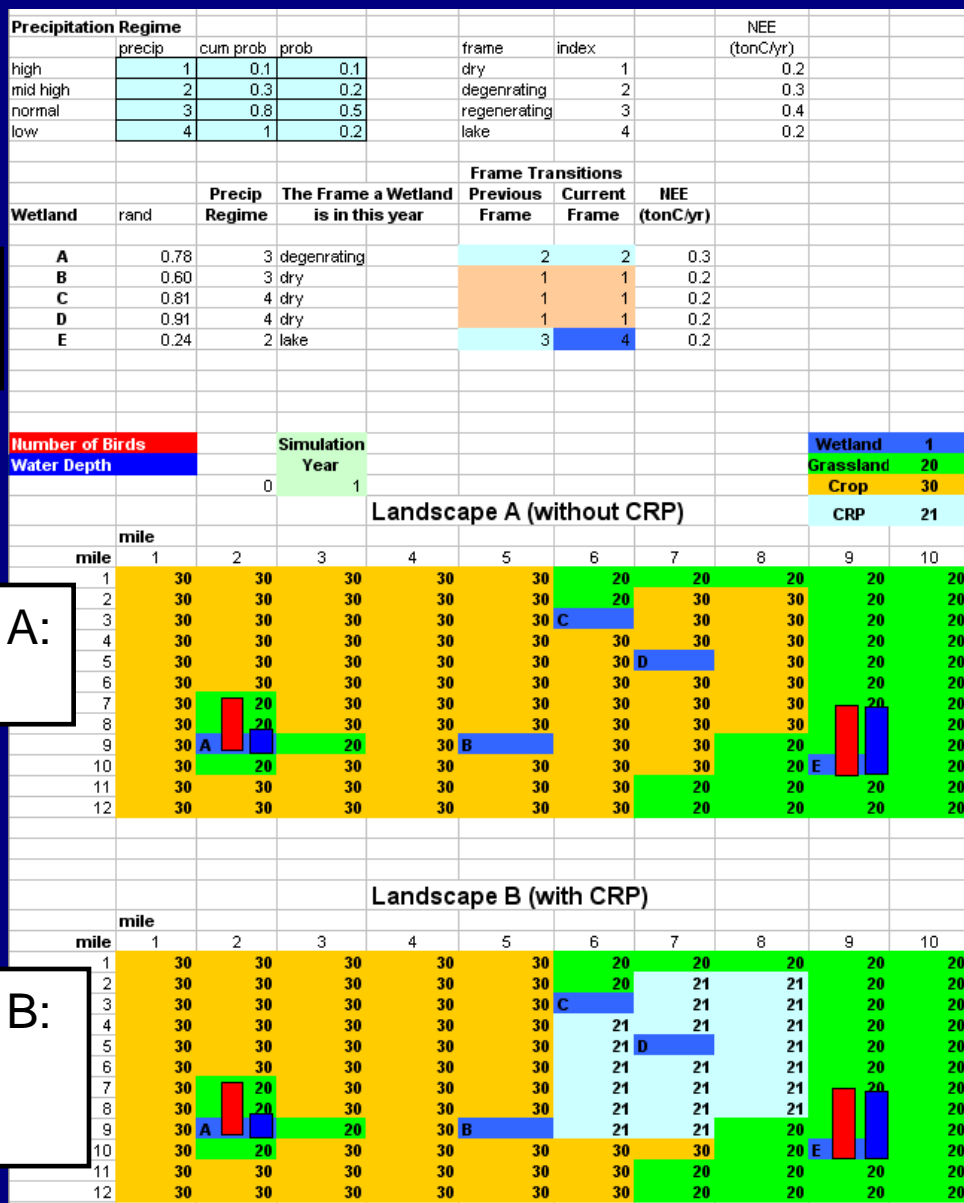
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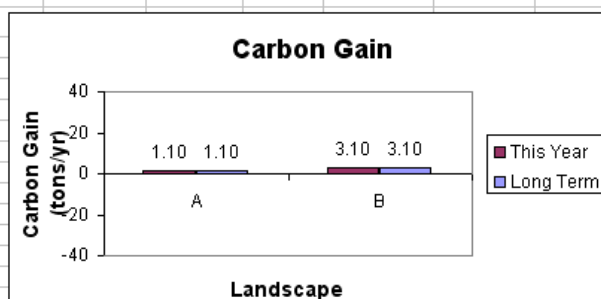
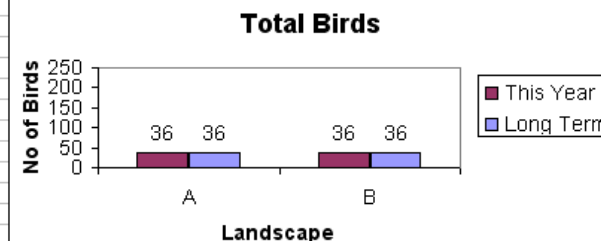
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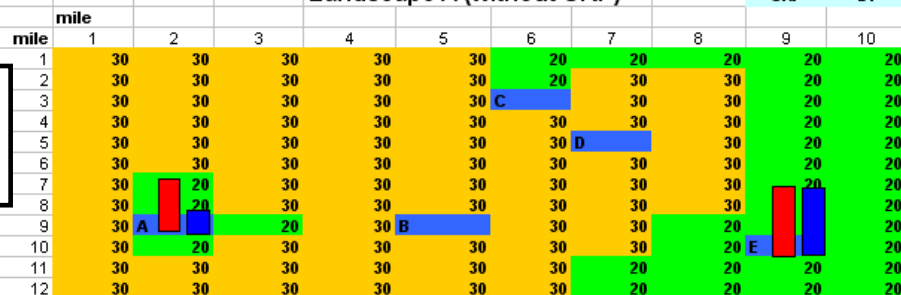


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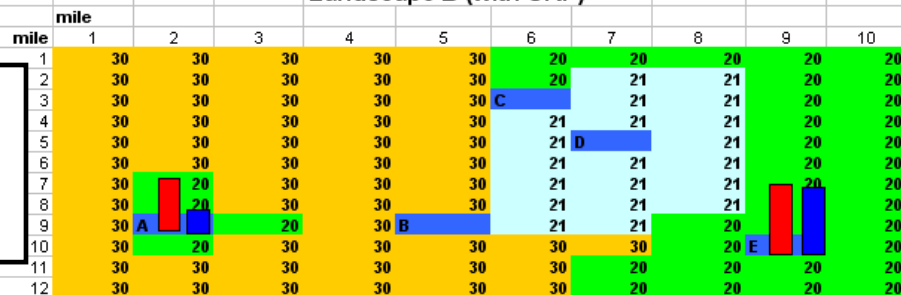
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	1	Crop	30
		CRP	21

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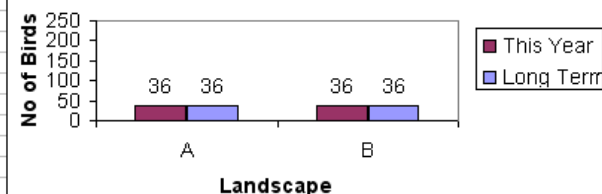
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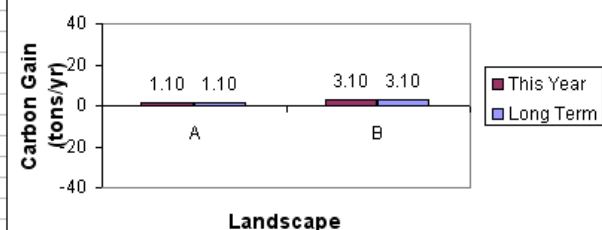
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Landscape B (with CRP)

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1	30	30	30	30	30	20	20	20	20	20
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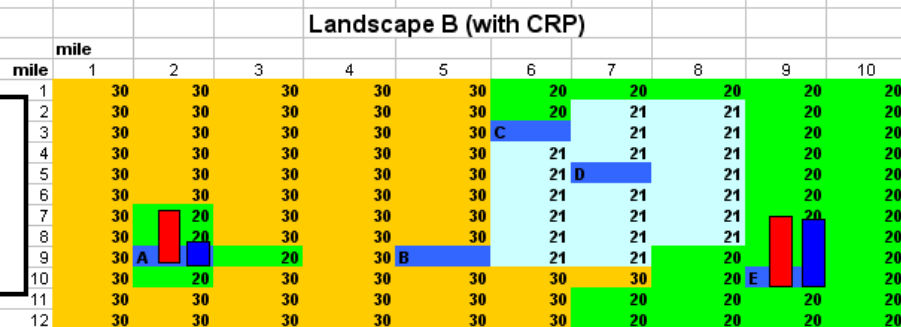
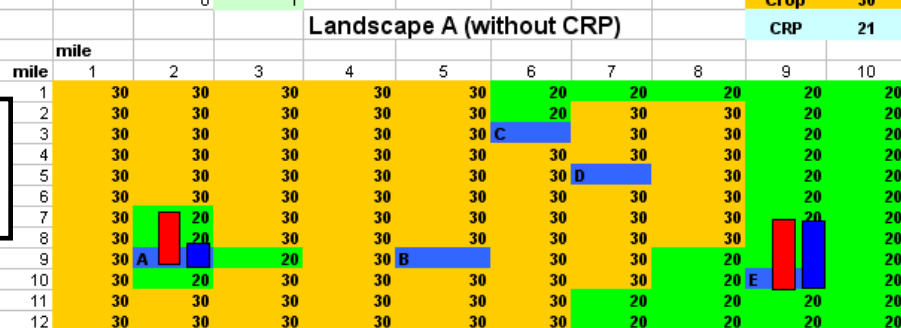
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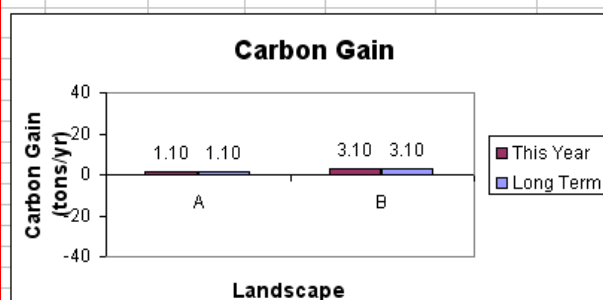
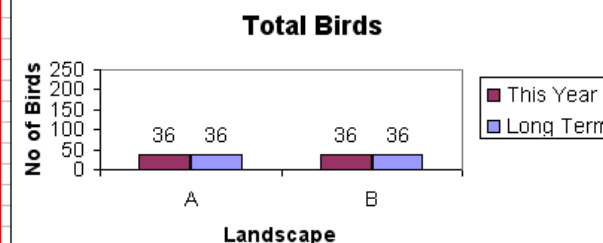


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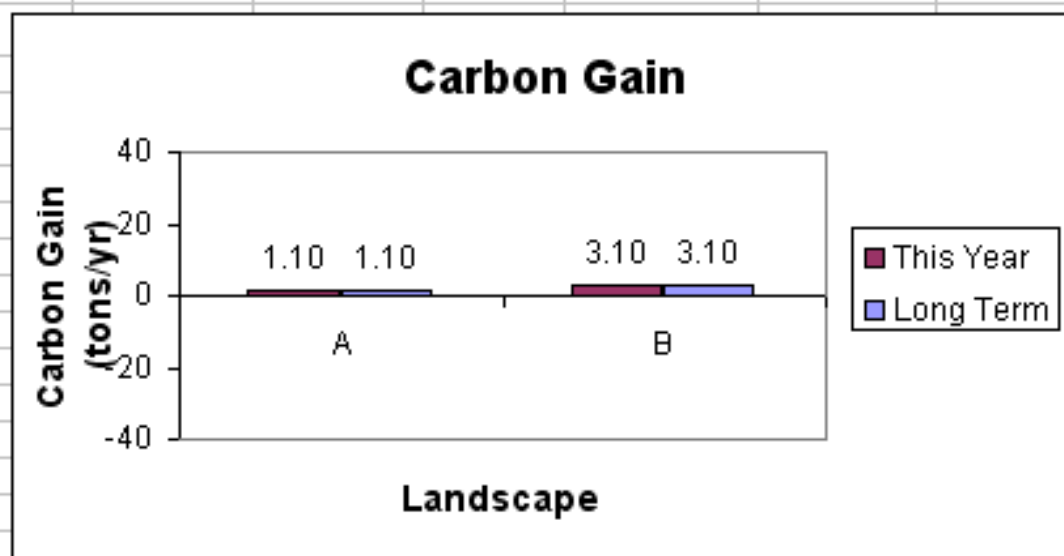
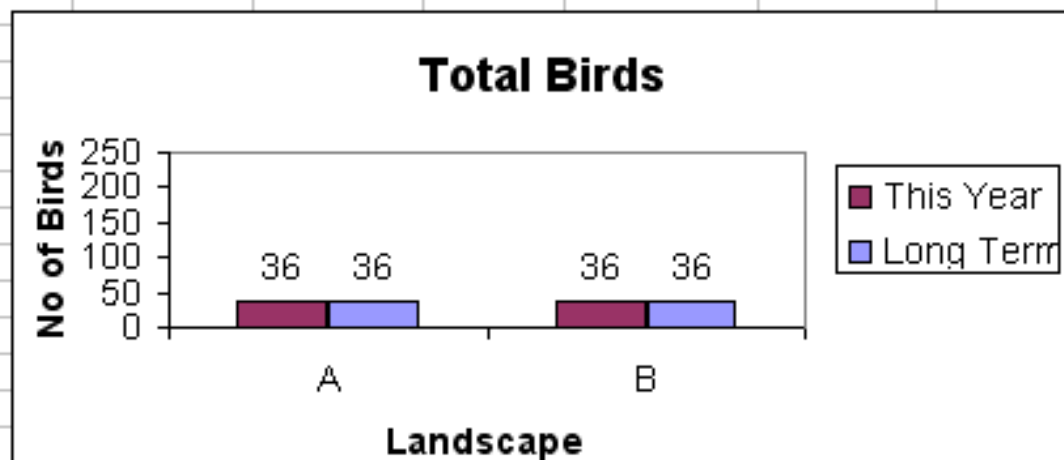
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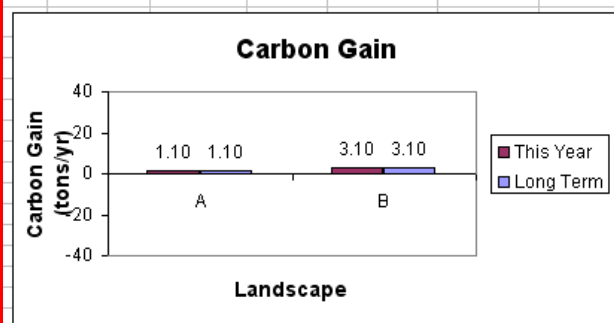
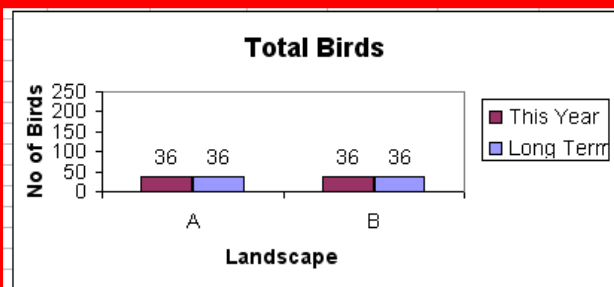
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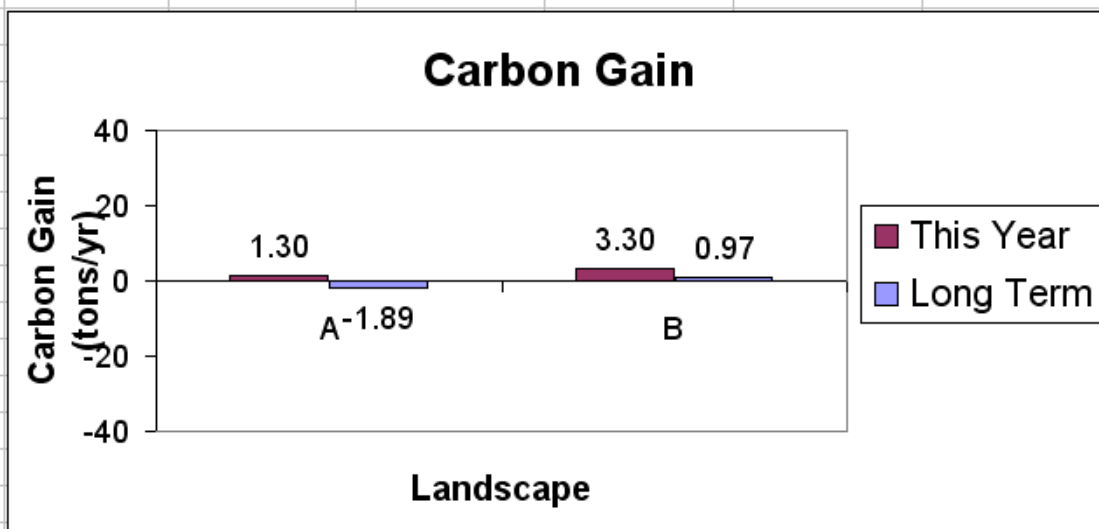
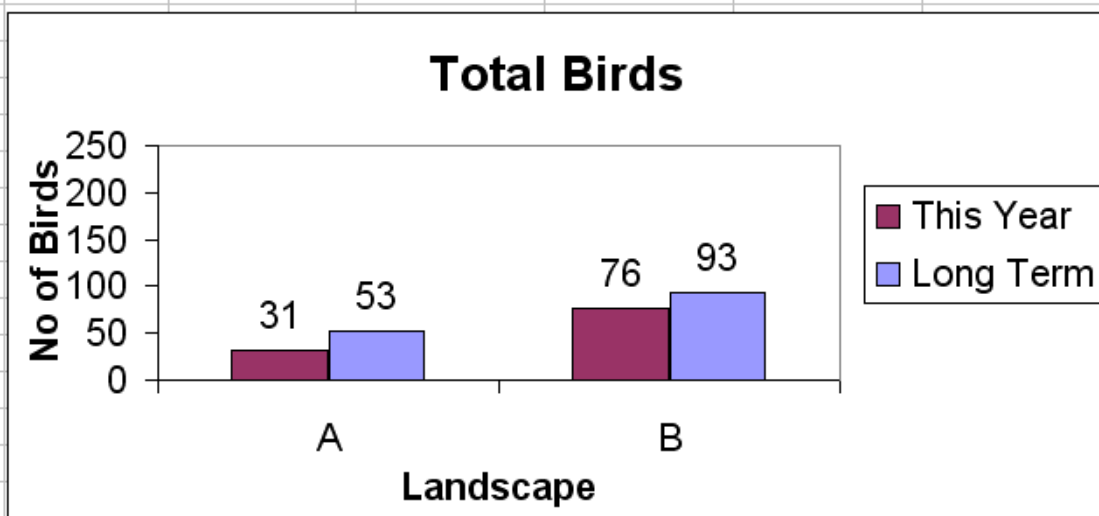
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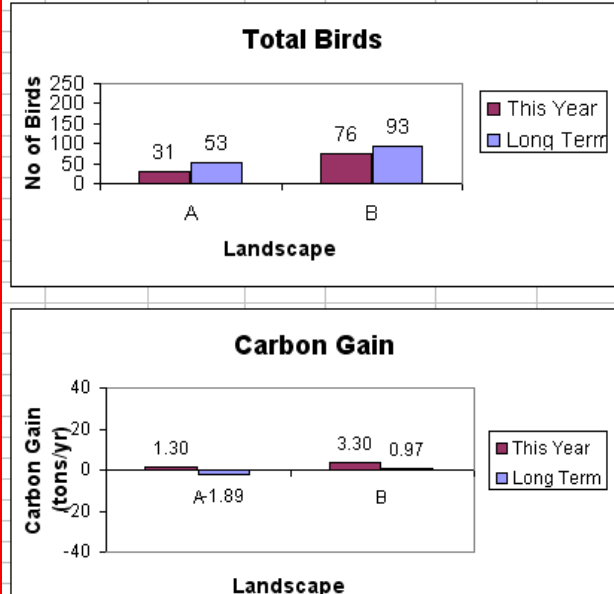
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Climate
Regime

Wetland
Frames

Precipitation Regime				frame	index	NEE (tonC/yr)
	precip	cum prob	prob			
high	1	0.1	0.1	dry	1	0.2
mid high	2	0.3	0.2	degenerating	2	0.3
normal	3	0.7	0.4	regenerating	3	0.4
low	4	1	0.3	lake	4	0.2

Frame Transitions						
Wetland	rand	Precip Regime	The Frame a Wetland is in this year	Previous Frame	Current Frame	NEE (tonC/yr)
A	0.52	3	degenerating	2	2	0.3
B	0.29	2	lake	3	4	0.2
C	0.95	4	dry	3	1	0.2
D	0.97	4	degenerating	4	2	0.3
E	0.70	3	dry	1	1	0.2

Model Parameters

C Gain under various precipitation for different systems					
Ecosystem	Code	High	Mid-High	Normal	Low
Wetland	1	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.2
Grassland	20	0.15	0.1	0	-0.1
Crop	30	0.1	0.05	0	-0.3
CRP	21	0.1	0.2	0.1	0

Bird A Ecology				
	Dry	Regenerating	Degenerating	Lake
Bird A habitat quality (0-1)	0	1	0.5	0.4

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Precipitation Regime				frame	index	NEE (tonC/yr)
	precip	cum prob	prob			
high	1	0.1	0.1	dry	1	0.2
mid high	2	0.3	0.2	degenerating	2	0.3
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low	4	1	0.3	lake	4	0.2

Frame Transitions						
Wetland	rand	Precip Regime	The Frame a Wetland is in this year	Previous Frame	Current Frame	NEE (tonC/yr)
A	0.78	4	dry	2	1	0.2
B	0.60	3	dry	1	1	0.2
C	0.81	4	dry	1	1	0.2
D	0.91	4	dry	1	1	0.2
E	0.24	2	lake	3	4	0.2

Impacts of Climate Change on Bird A and Carbon Sequestration

Model Parameters

C Gain under various precipitation for different systems

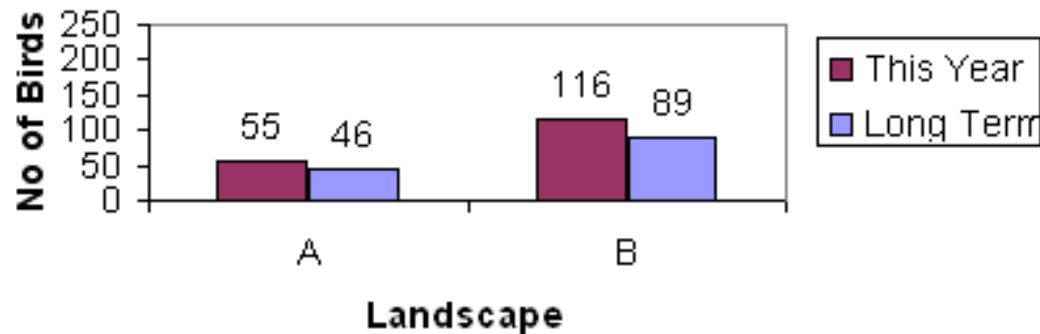
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CRP	21	0.4	0.2	0.1	0

Bird A Ecology

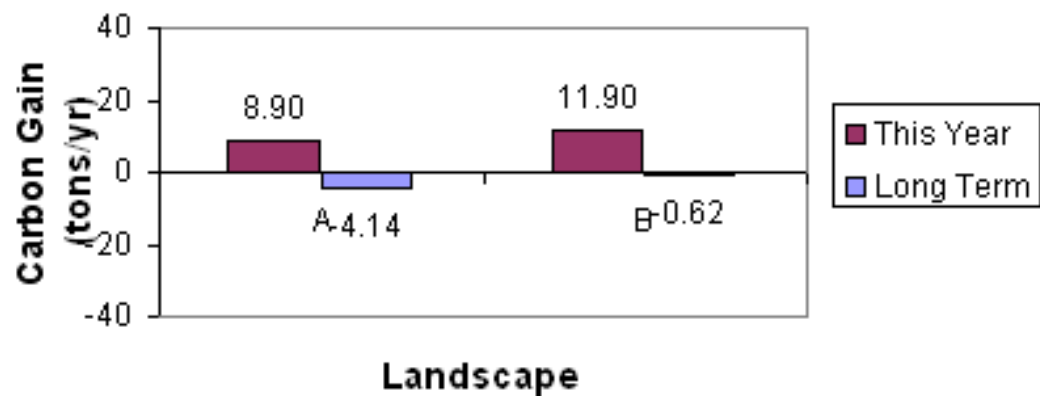
	Dry	Regenerating	Degenerating	Lake
Bird A habitat quality (0-1)	0	1	0.6	0.4
		Minimum	Maximum	
Impact of grassland extent (miles ²) on		0	12	
Maximum bird A population		50		

Year 100

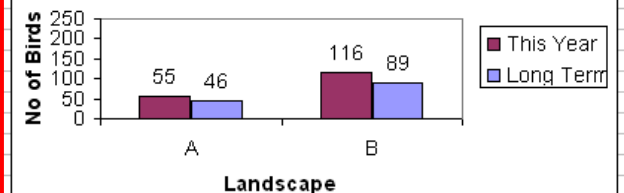
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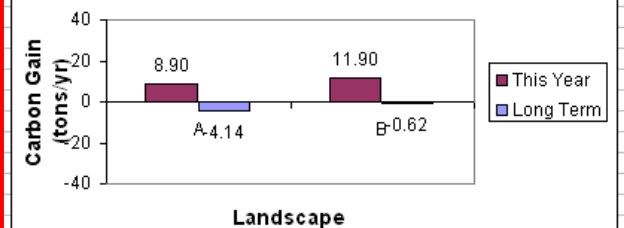
Carbon Gain



Total Birds



Carbon Gain



Two Possible Solutions to Offset the Effects of Climate Change

- 1. Restore Wetlands**
- 2. Expand CRP**

Impacts of Targeted CRP on Bird A and Carbon Sequestration

Climate
Regime

Wetland
Frames

Landscape A:
5 Wetlands

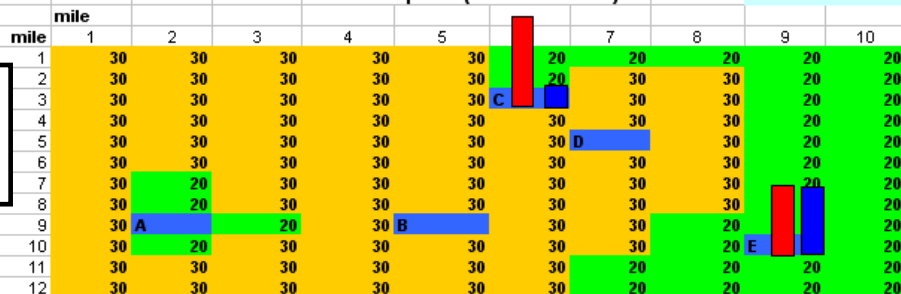
Landscape B:
7 Wetlands
Plus More
CRP

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precip	cum prob	prob				
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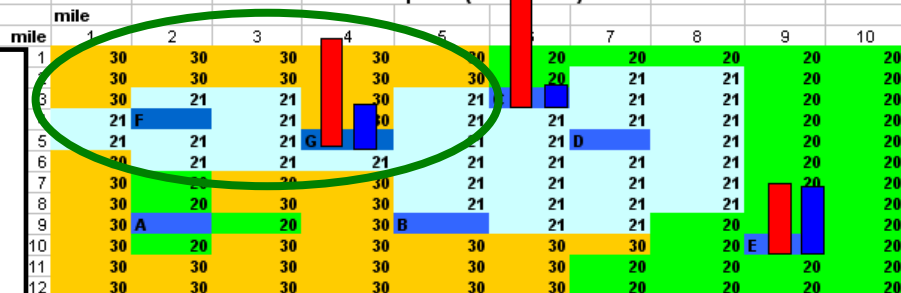
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				Previous Frame	Current Frame	
A	1.00	4	dry	2	1	0.2
B	0.68	3	dry	1	1	0.2
C	0.44	3	degenerating	4	2	0.3
D	0.42	3	dry	1	1	0.2
E	0.13	2	lake	4	4	0.2
F	0.94	4	dry	1	1	0.2
G	0.29	2	regenerating	1	3	0.4

Number of Birds	Simulation	Wetland
Water Depth	Year	1
	0	

Landscape A (without CRP)



Landscape B (with CRP)

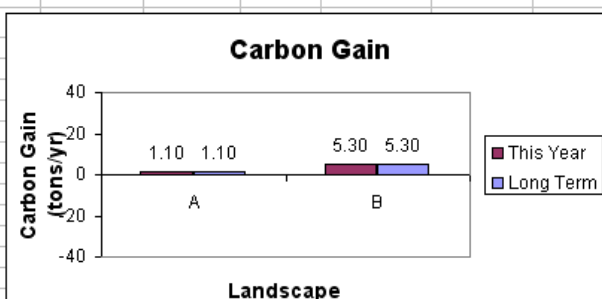
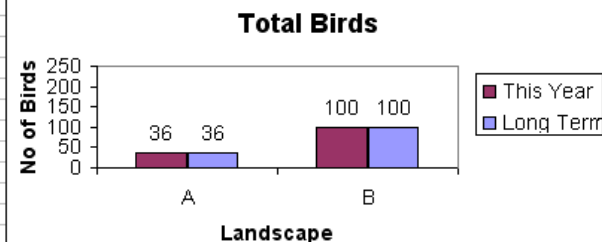


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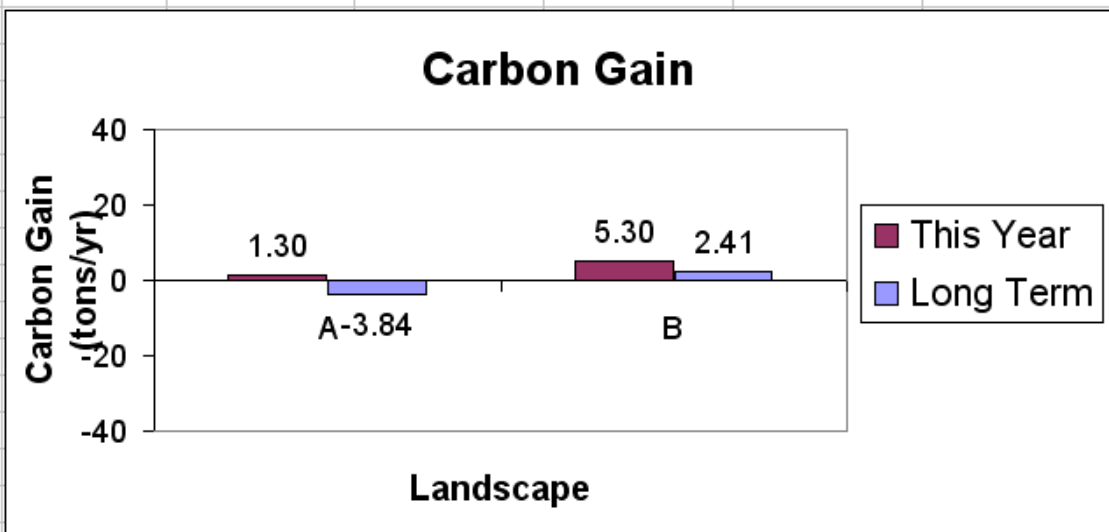
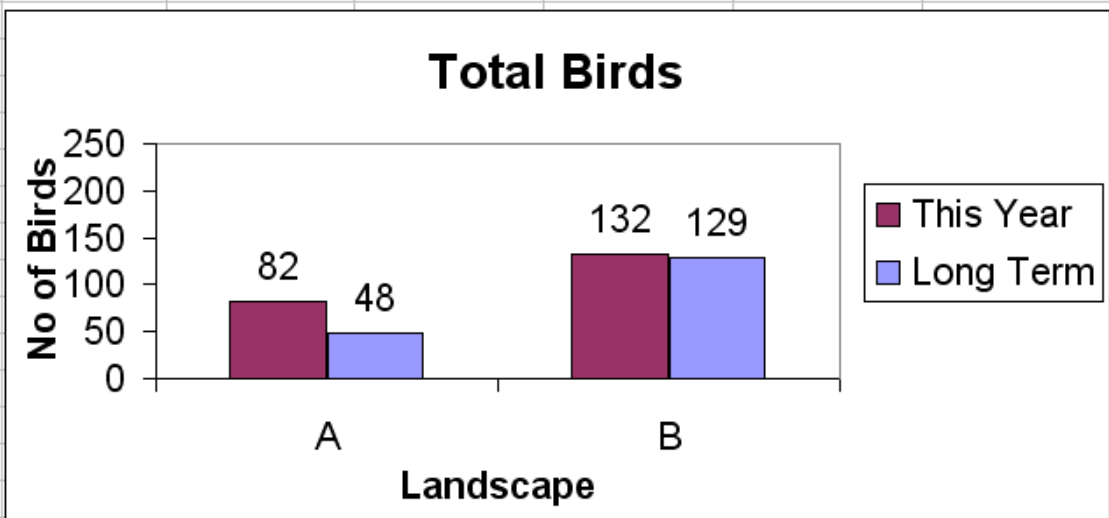
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Year 1



Impacts of Targeted CRP on Bird A and Carbon Sequestration



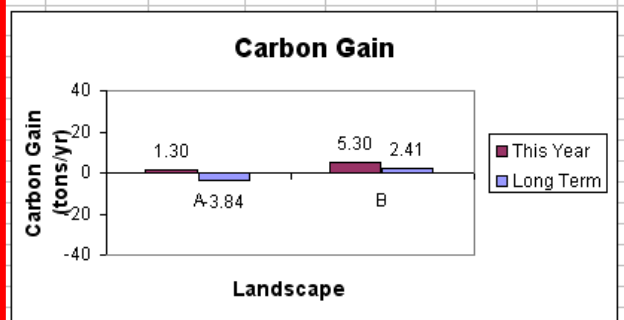
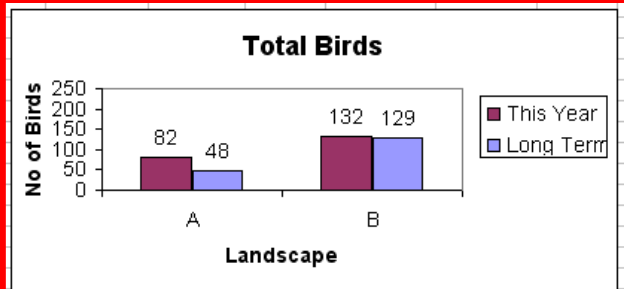
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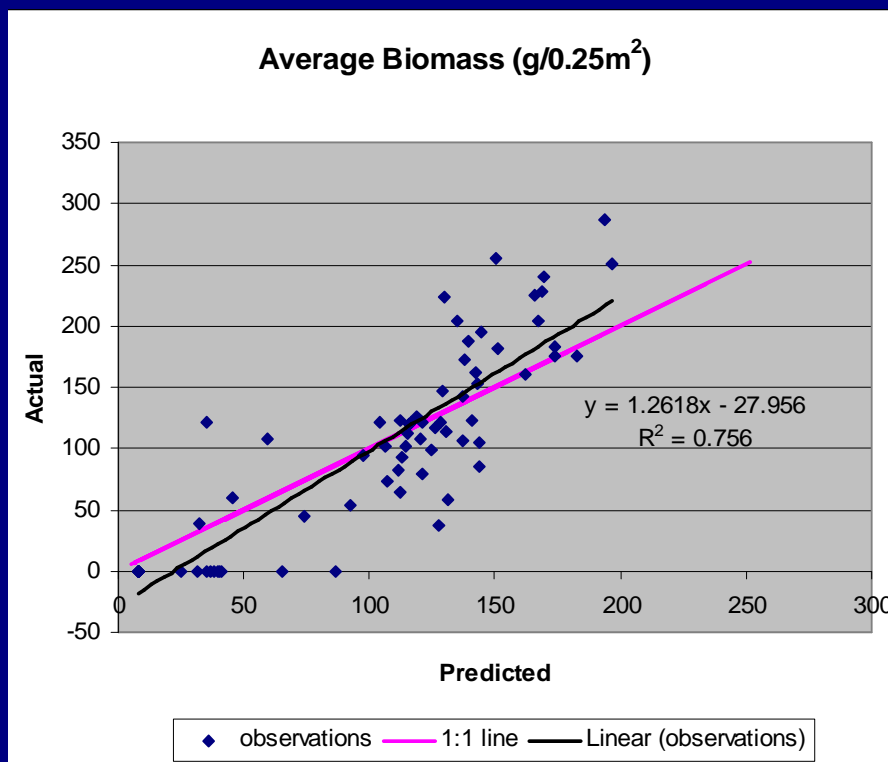
Year 100



Comparison of Measured and Predicted Biomass Using Regression Trees and Landsat Data

Regression Statistics

Multiple R	0.8694
	6
R Square	0.7559
	6
Adjusted R Square	0.7524
	74
Standard Error	39.020
	76
Observations	72



AVERAGE of 3 models

MSAVI, Treat2, GNDVI,
Moist

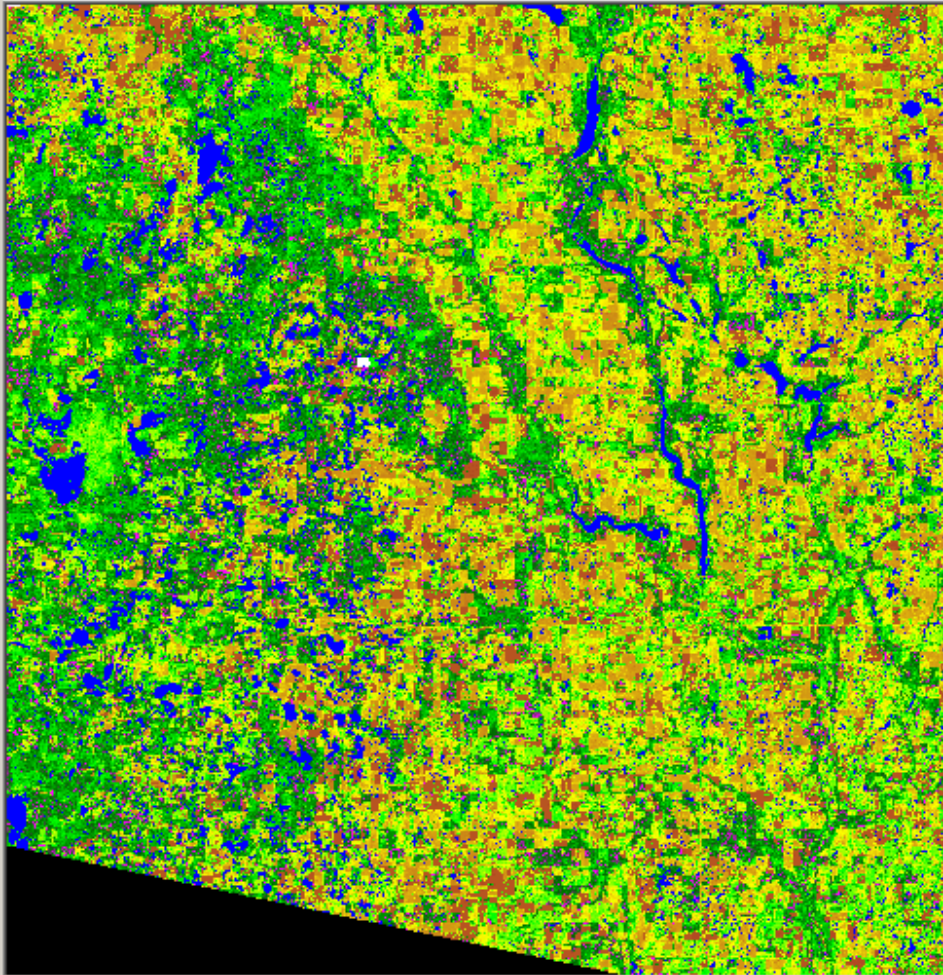
Treat2, GNDVI, LAI,
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B2,3,4

Treat2, GNDVI, LAI,
Moist, GEMI, % water,
NDVI

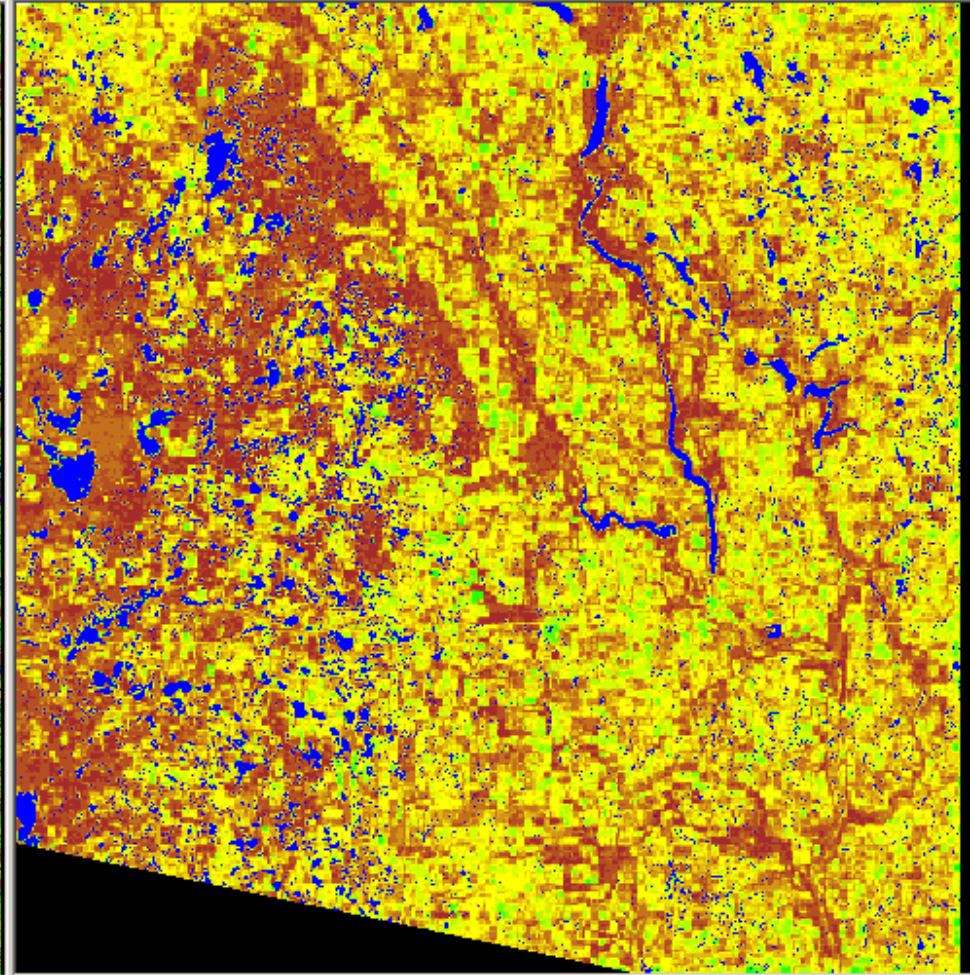
Variable	Description	Formula
Treat2	Crop/Grass	na
GNDVI	Green NDVI	$TM(4 - 2) / (4 + 2)$
LAI	Specific Leaf Area Index	$TM(4) / (3 + 7)$
Moist	Moisture Index	$TM(4 - 5) / (4 + 5)$
NDVI	Normalized Difference Vegetation Index	$TM(4 - 3) / (4 + 3)$
MSAVI	Modified Soil Adjusted Vegetation Index	$1/2 (2 TM4 + 1 \sqrt{((2 TM4 + 1) - 8(TM4 - TM3))})$
GEMI		$n * (1 - 0.25 * n) - (TM3 - 0.125) / (1 - TM3)$, where $n = (2 (TM4^2 - TM3^2) + 1/5 TM4 + 0.5 TM3) / (TM4 + TM3 + 0.5)$
% water	Percent Water	regression tree sub-pixel estimate
B2	Blue band	na
B3	Red band	na
B4	Near Infra-red	na



Predicted Biomass



Confidence of Predicted Biomass

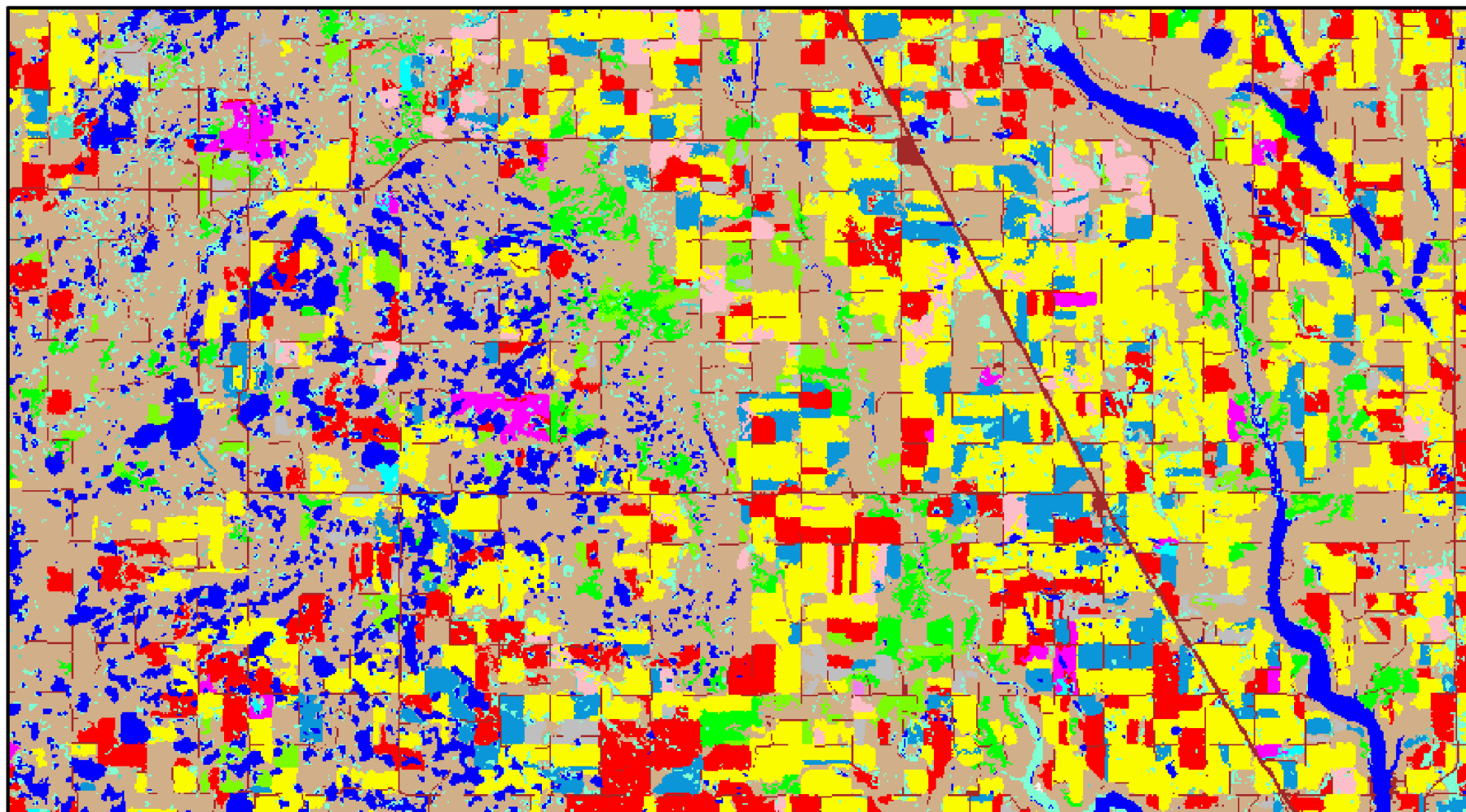


Biomass (g/0.25m²)



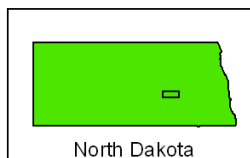
Coefficient of Variation





Land Use Categories

 Corn	 Dry Edible Beans	 Woods
 Soybeans	 Potatoes	 Clouds
 Sunflowers	 All Other Crops	 Urban
 Durum Wheat	 Canola	 Water
 Other Small Grains & Hay	 Fallow/Idle Cropland/CRP	
 Beets	 Pasture/Range/Non-Ag	



0 2.5 5 10 Miles

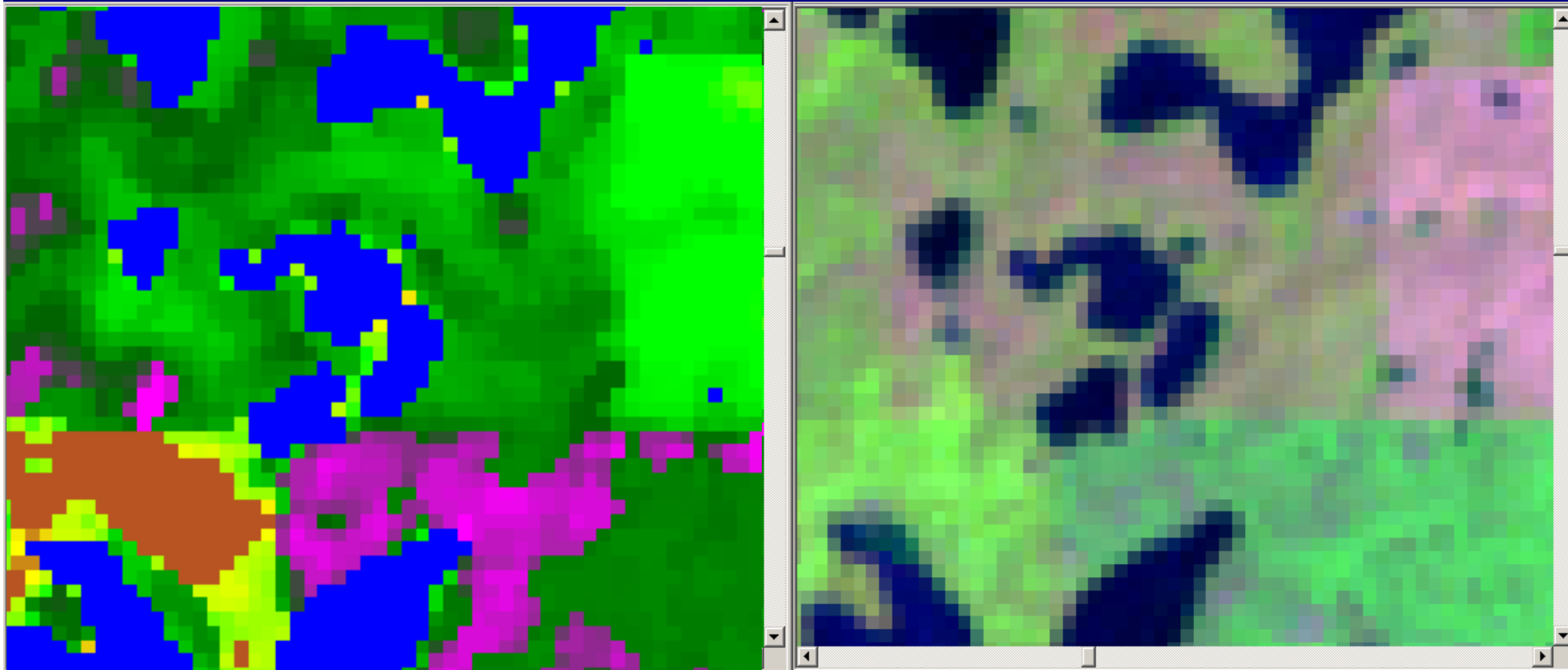
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National Agricultural Statistics Service
Cropland Data Layer

Cottonwood Lake Study Area

Predicted Biomass

Landsat TM
(July 9, 2004, b5,b4,b3)

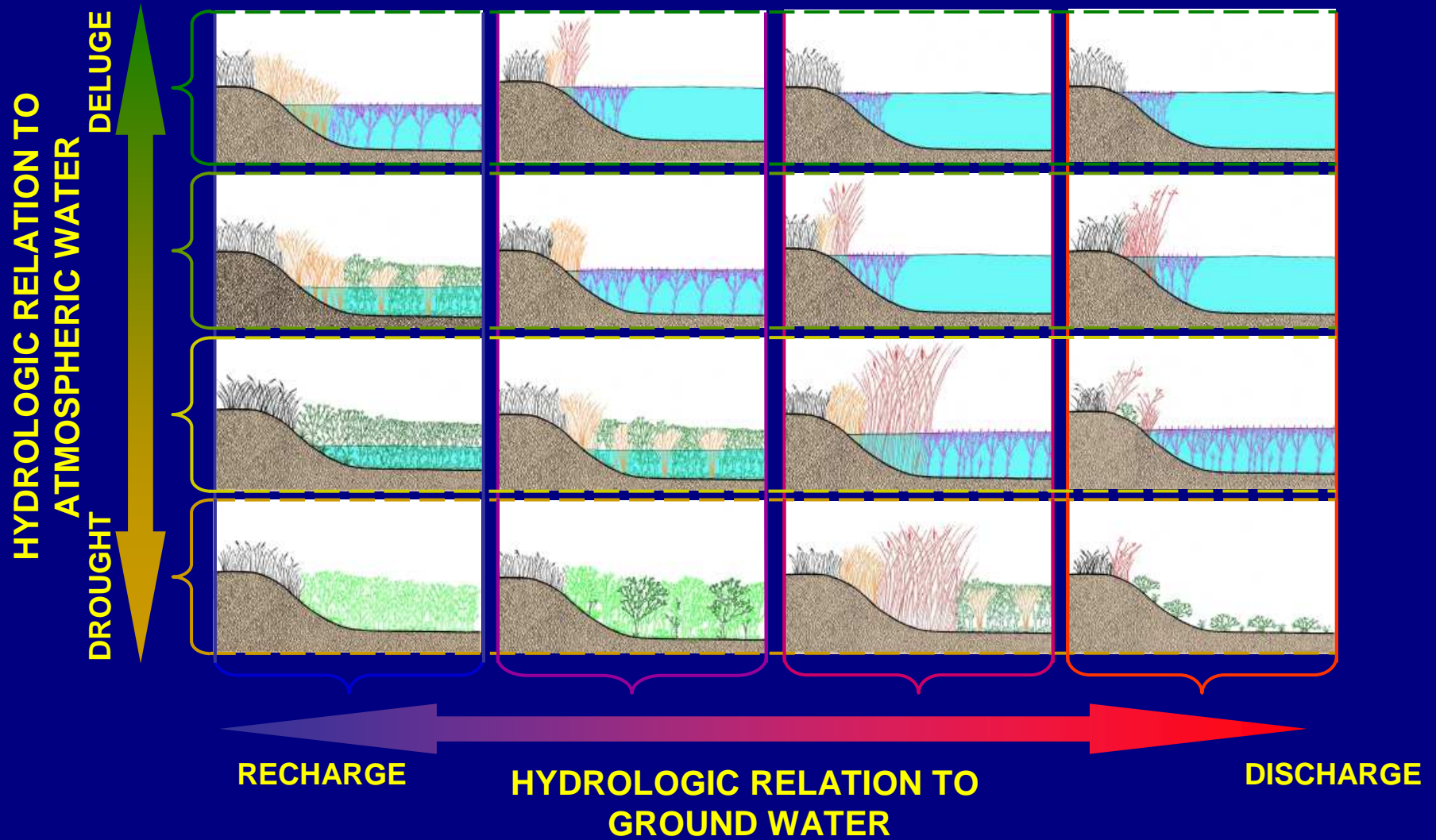


Biomass (g/0.25m²)

0 40 80 130 >168 water



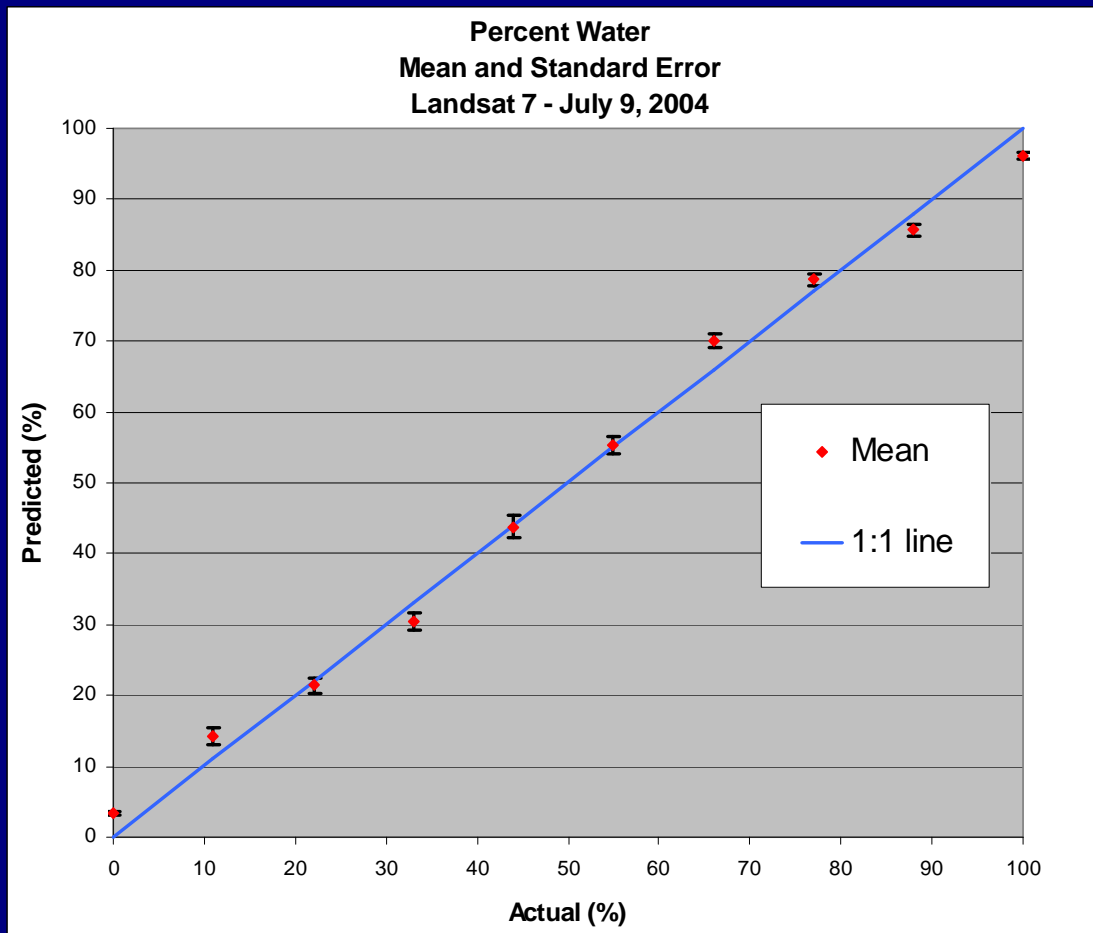
THE WETLAND CONTINUUM



Percent Water Methods

Develop Training Data and Model for Percent Water (30m)

Evaluation on training data (1091 cases):



Landsat 7
Path 31 Row 27
July 9,
2004

Regression Statistics

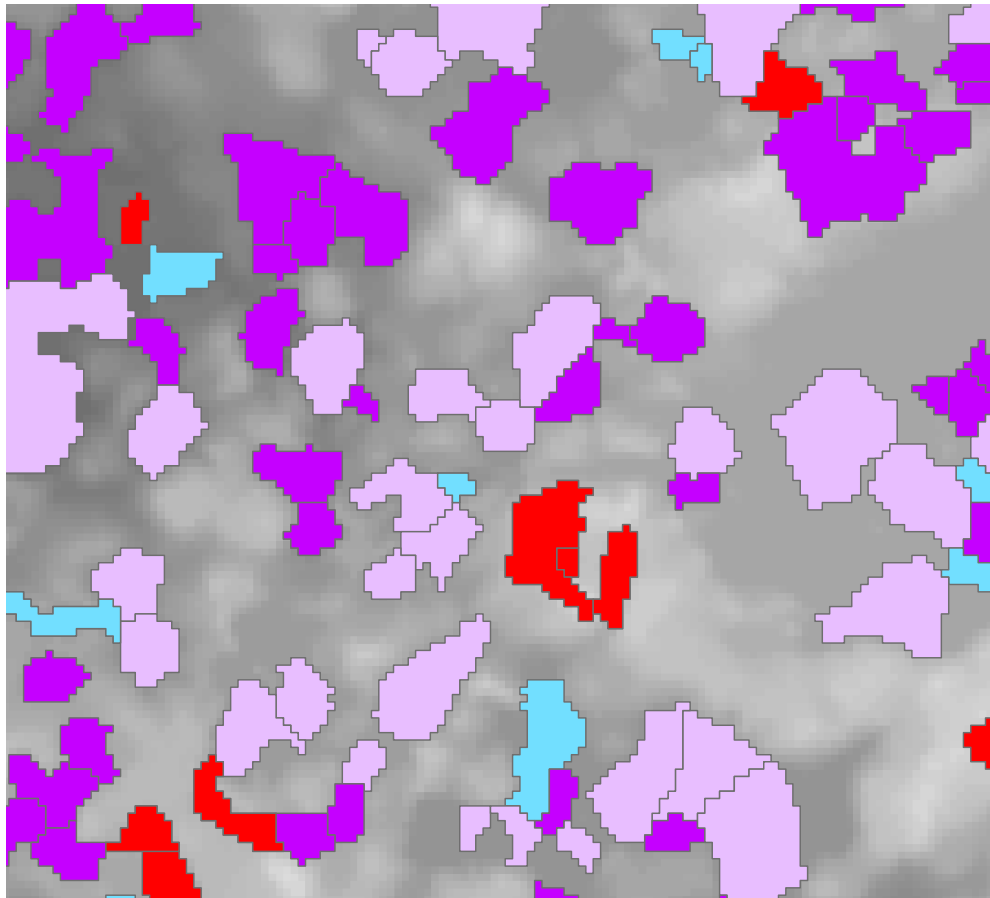
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Observations	1091

Landsat 5
Path 31 Row 27
May 12,
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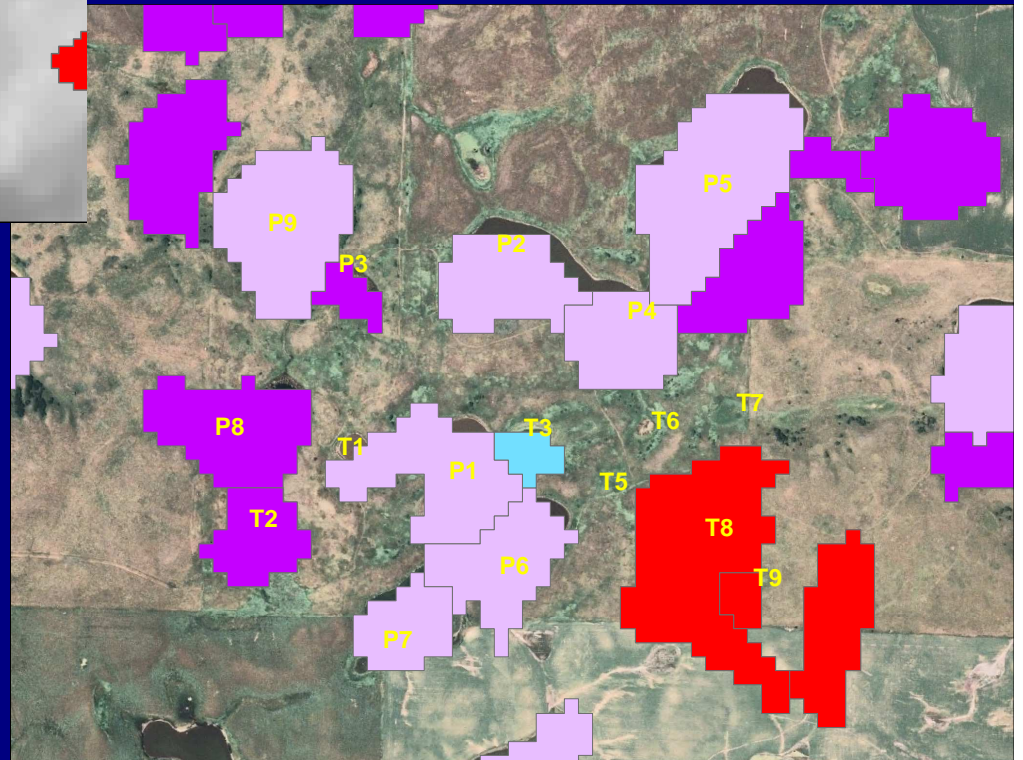
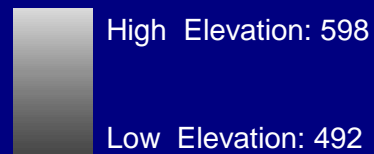
Regression Statistics

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Observations	1083

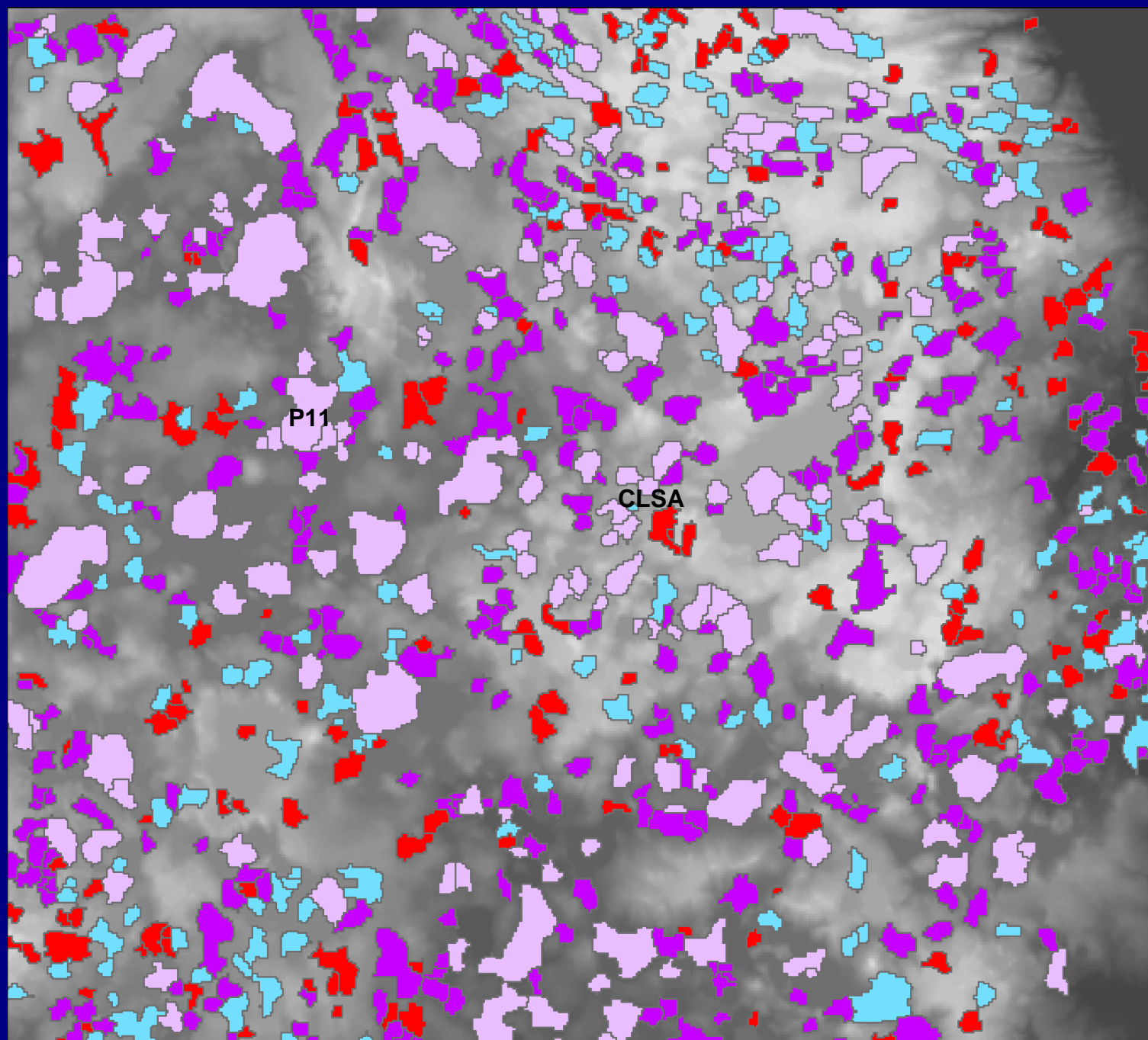
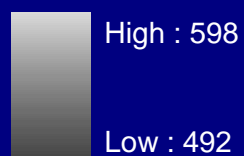
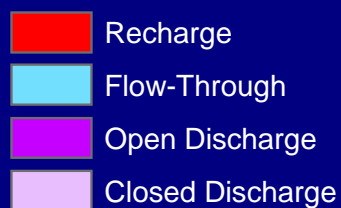
Using Landsat to Classify Wetland Hydrologic Function: Preliminary Results



- Recharge Wetland
- Flow-Through Wetland
- Open Discharge Wetland
- Closed Discharge Wetland



Using
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Inter-Annual Climate Variability

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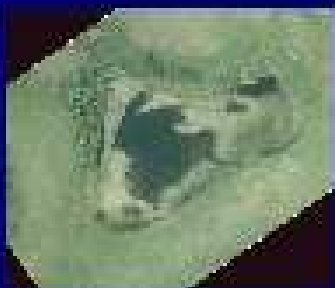


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**Brown County, SD:
Landsat-5, mid-IR band**

1994



May 1994



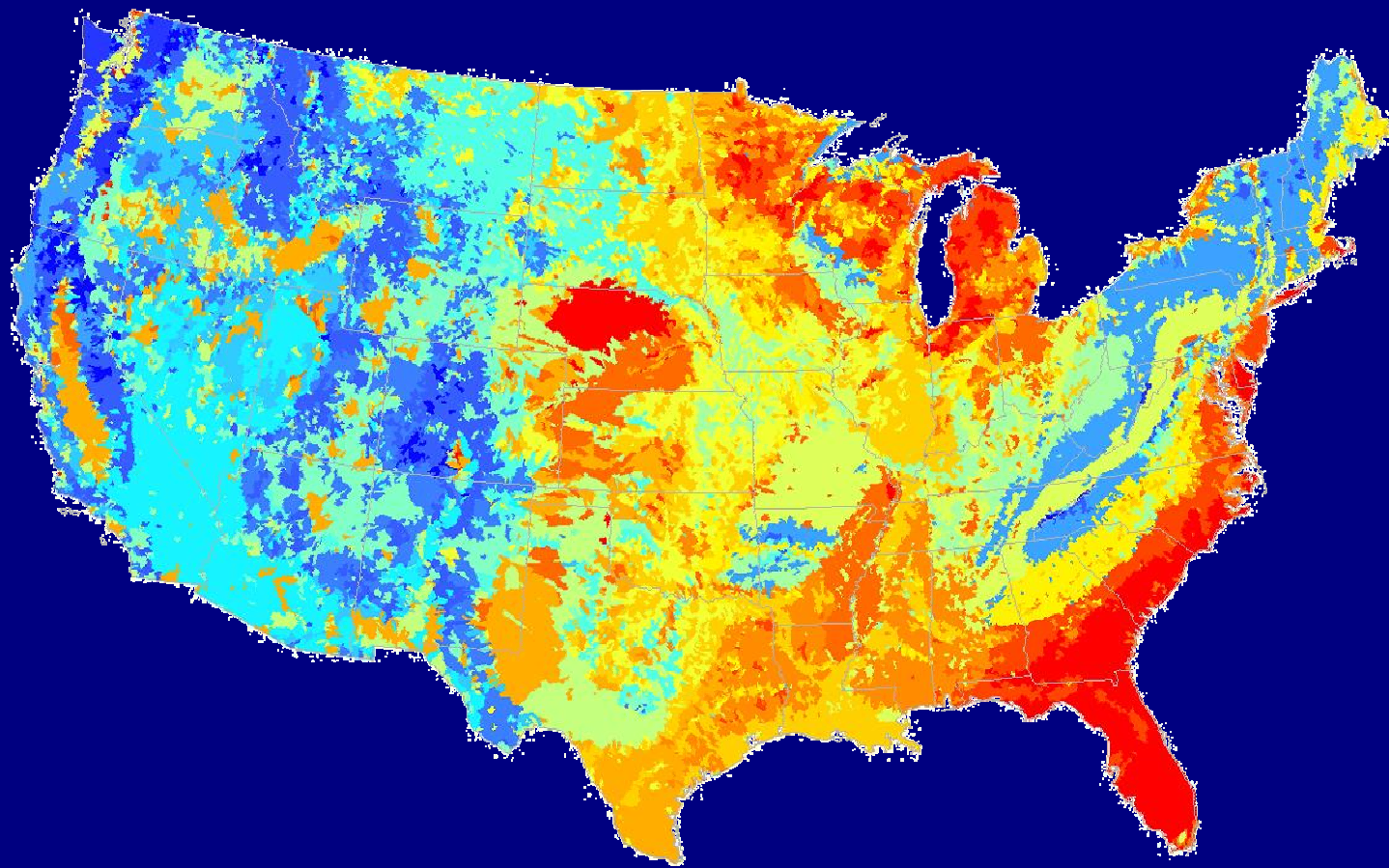


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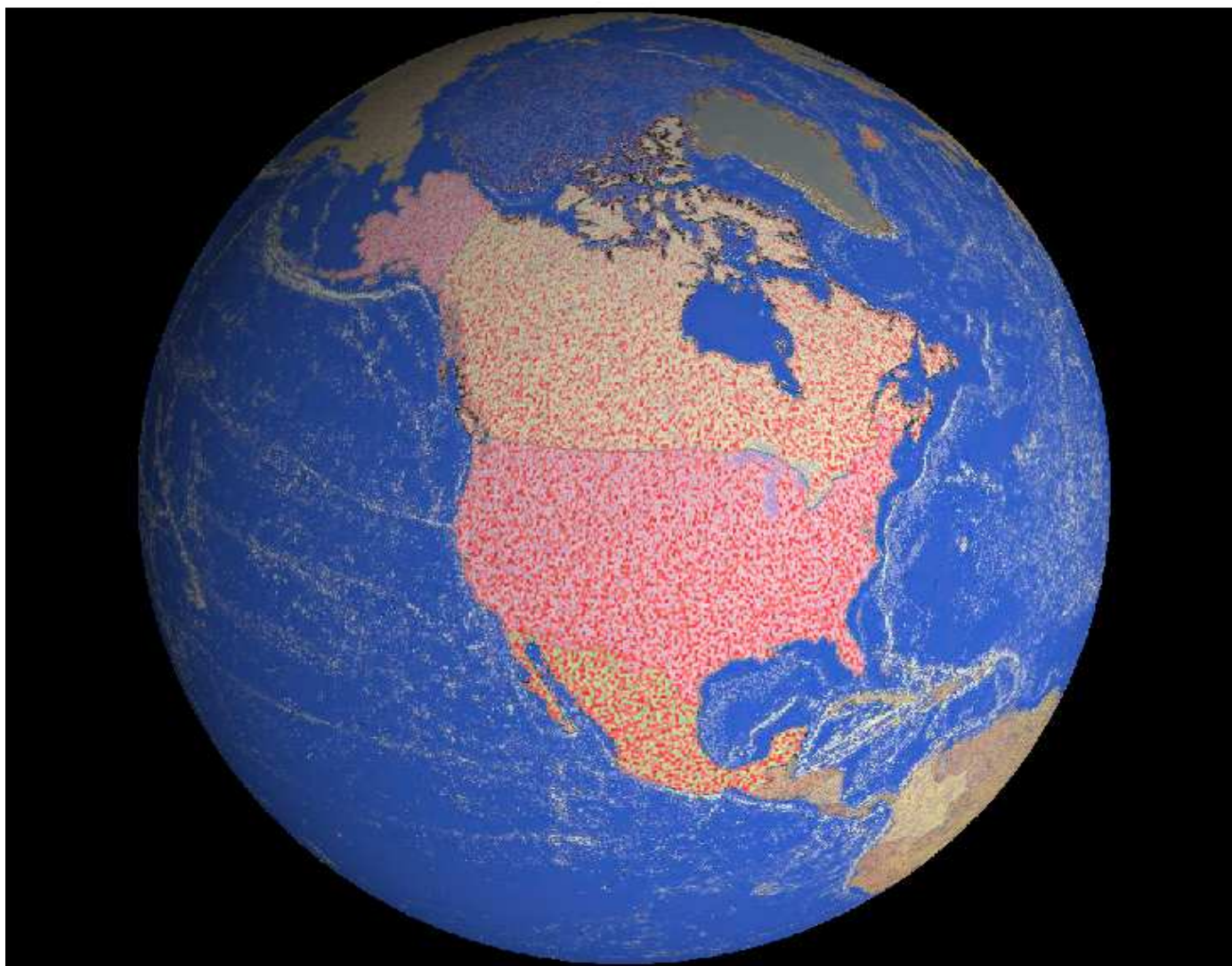
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Hydrologic Landscapes Map





North American Soil Geochemical Landscapes Project

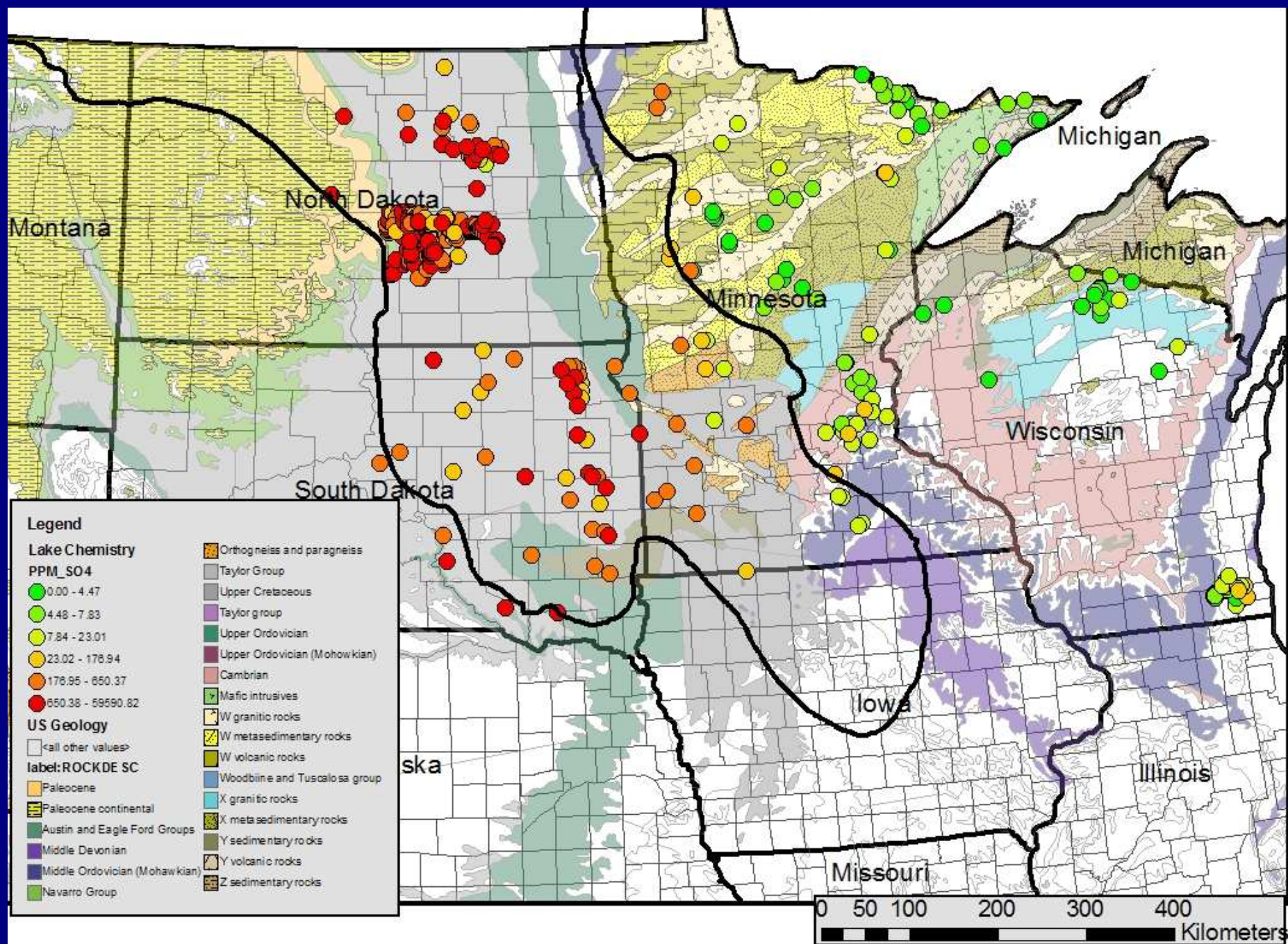


A spatially
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Canada 6,183

USA 5,813

Mexico 1,216



Aquatic Systems Continuum (Tom Winter)

