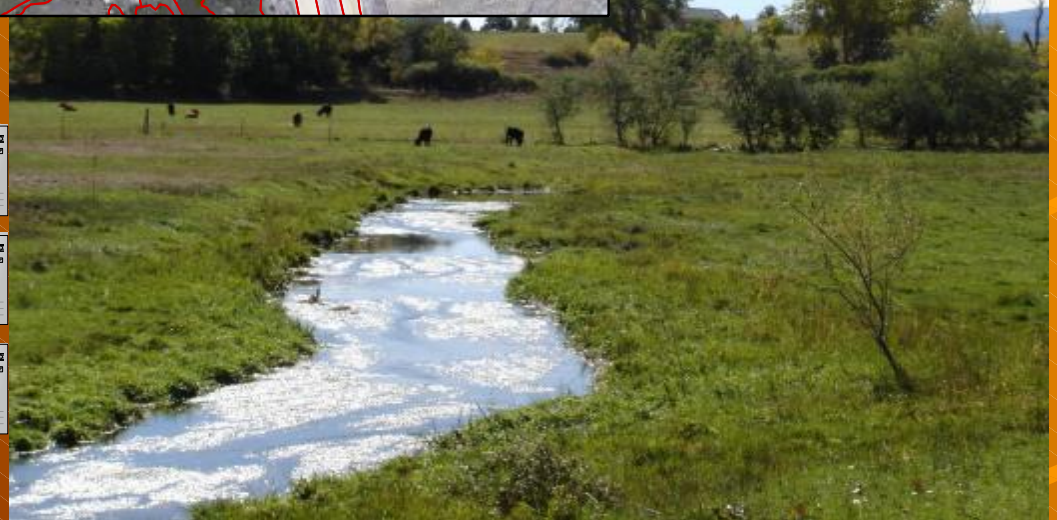
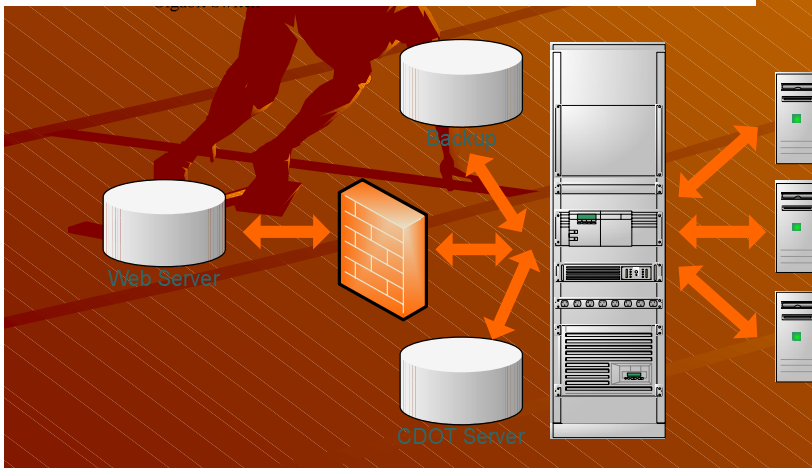
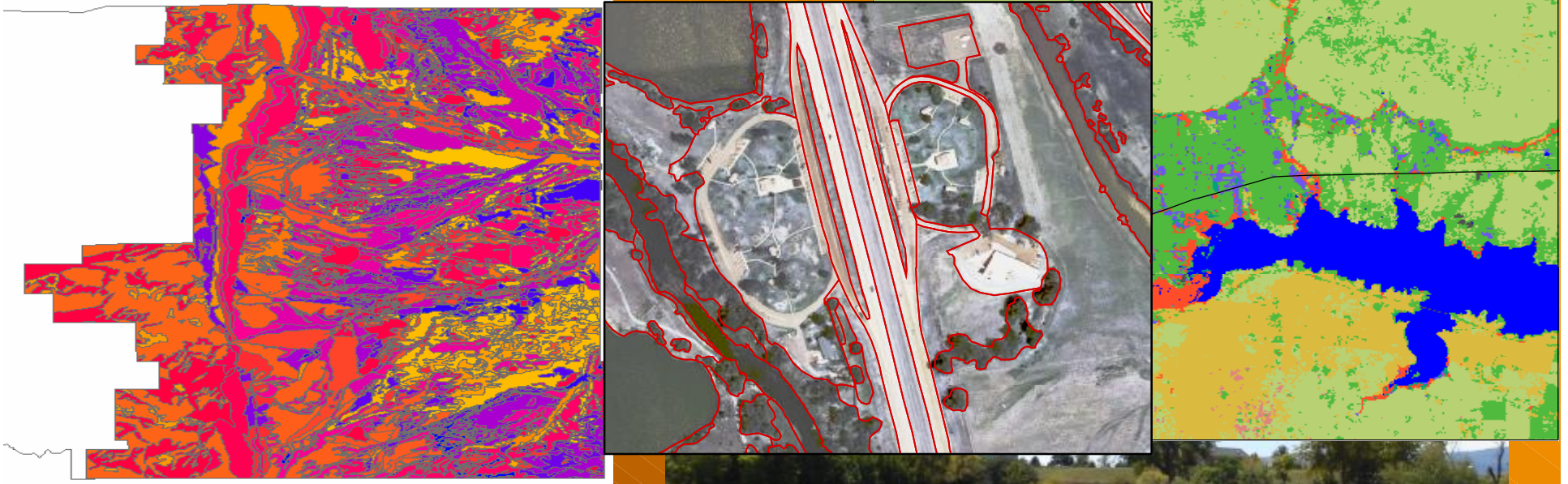


# CDOT Environmental Data Initiative



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# Environmental Data Initiative

## Objectives

- ◆ Acquire, develop, maintain and provide environmental data and analytical tools for use at key points in the transportation planning and development process
- ◆ Develop methods and procedures for early identification and evaluation of environmental issues along transportation corridors
- ◆ Support Advance Mitigation and Conservation Strategies

# Environmental Geodatabase

## Purpose

Provide statewide environmental geodatabase and GIS processing procedures in support of CDOT environmental planning

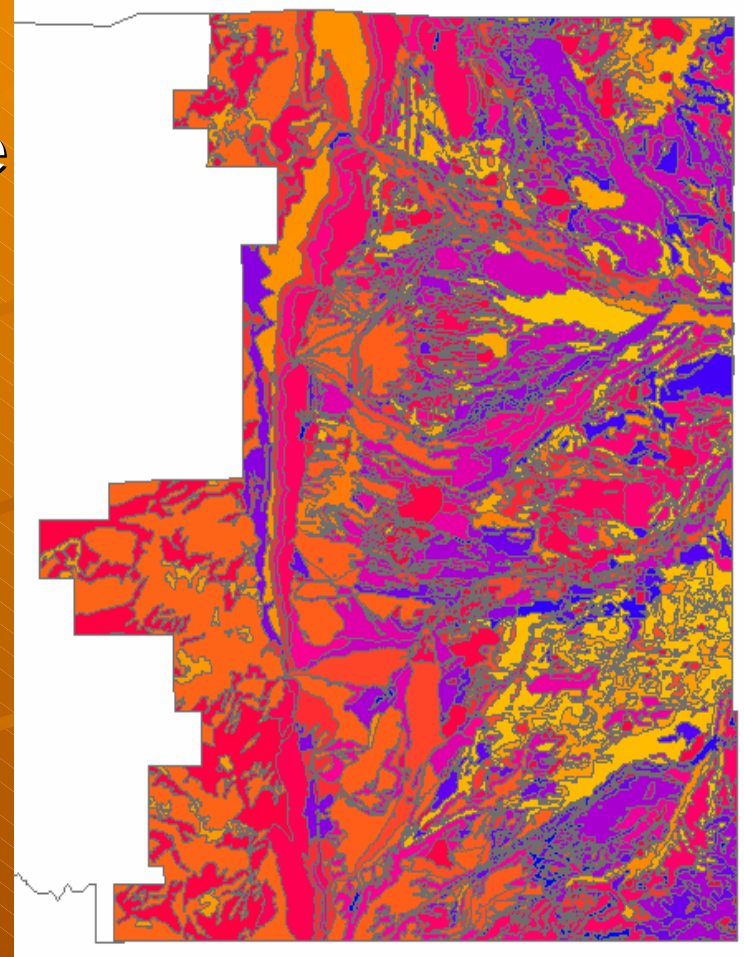


# Colorado Environmental Geodatabase



# Soil Survey Geographic (SSURGO) Database

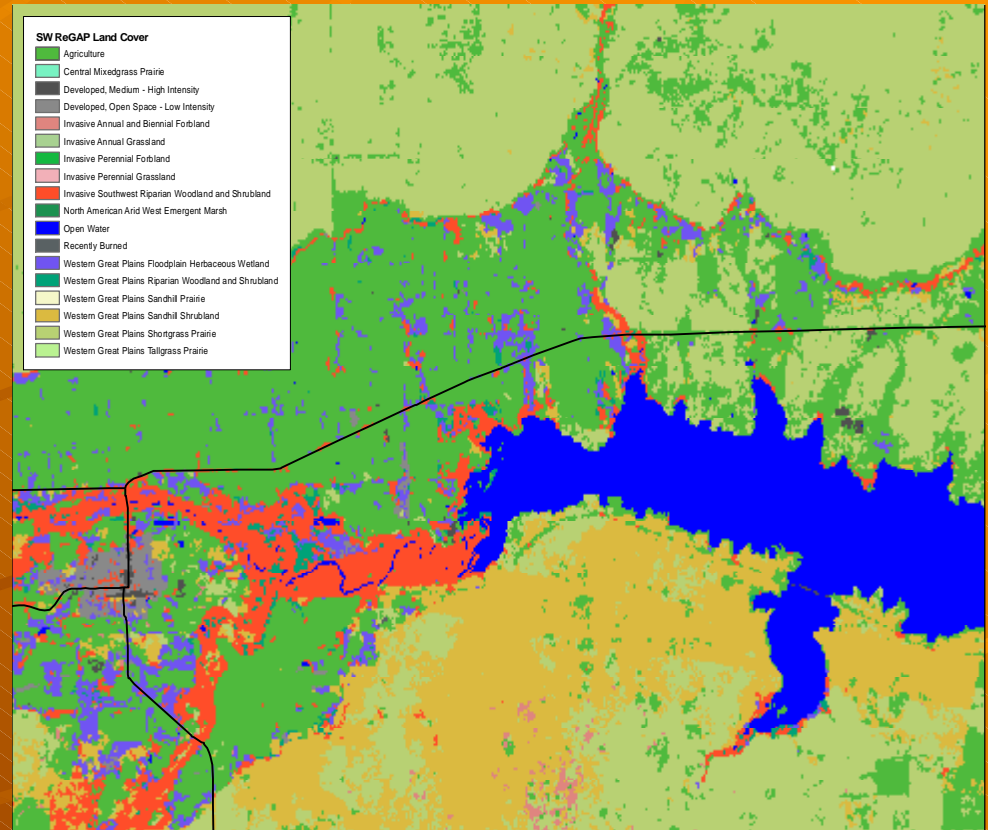
- ◆ Riparian Areas, Hydric Soils, Prime and Unique Farmlands, Land Use.
- ◆ MMU 5 Acres
- ◆ Incomplete, e.g. Denver County not available



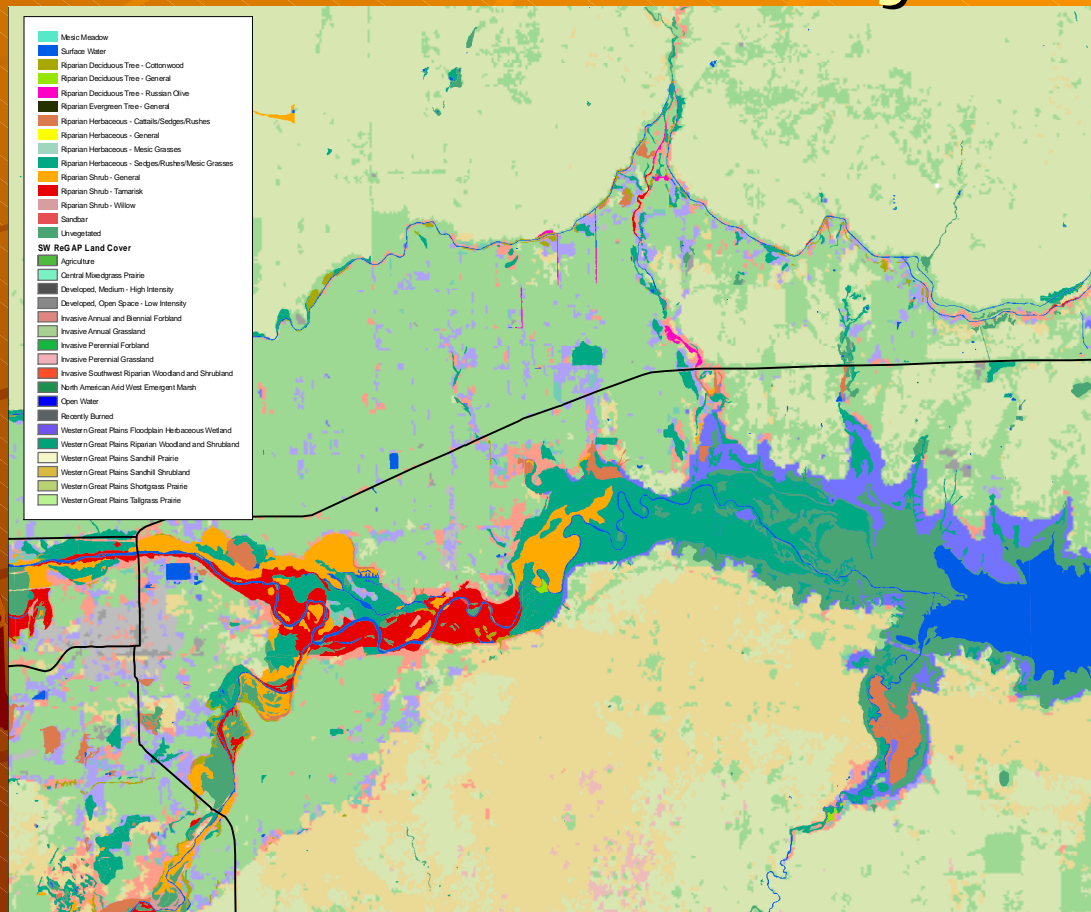
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# SW ReGAP

- ◆ Date – 2003
- ◆ Uses - Riparian, Land cover, Land Use, Prime and Unique Farmlands
- ◆ MMU is 1 acre  
Land cover derived from CART modeling
- ◆ No accuracy assessment has been completed

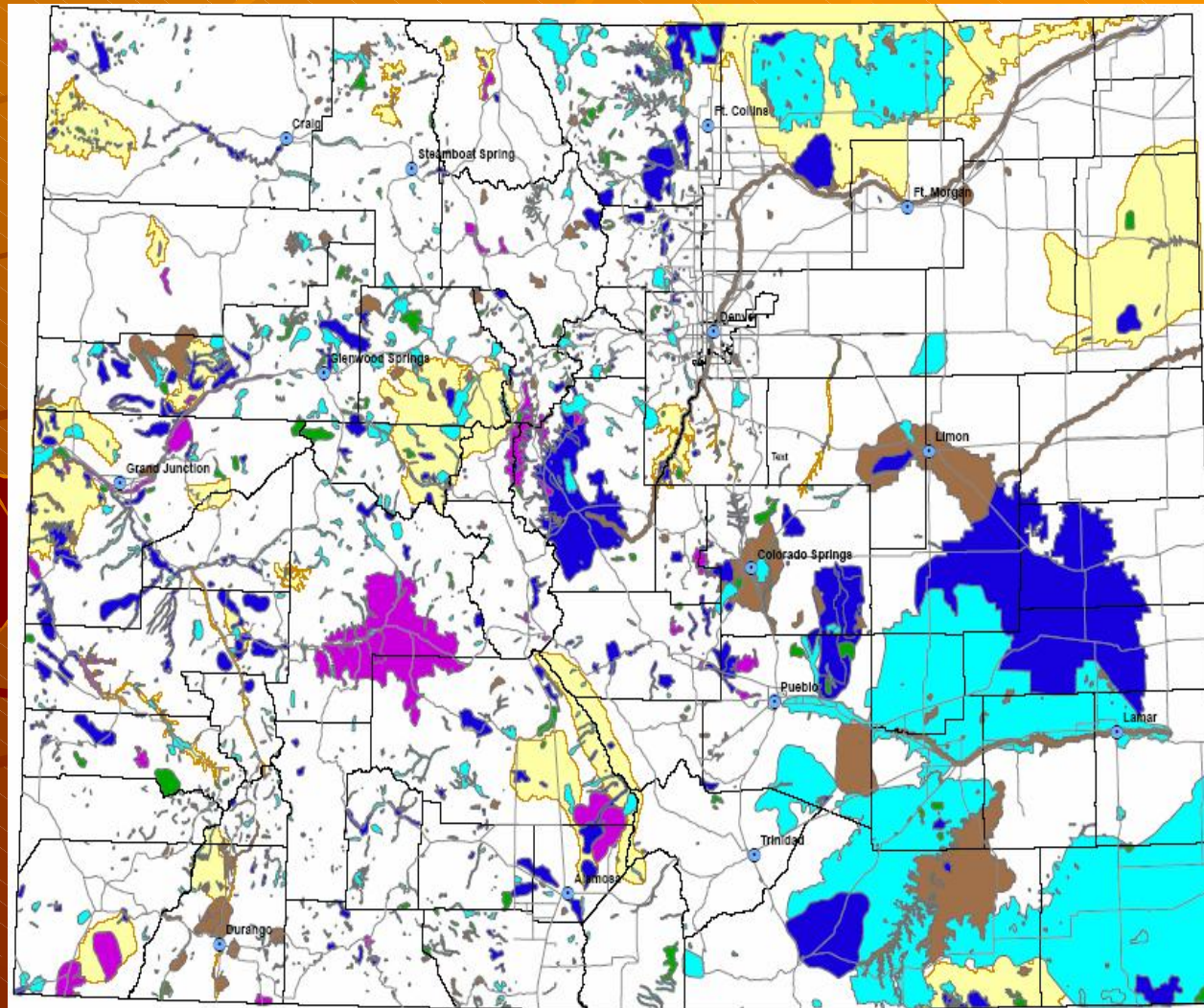


# Colorado Vegetation Classification Project



- ◆ Land cover, Land Use, Prime and Unique Farmlands
- ◆ Mapped by watershed, 25 Meter pixels
- ◆ Point observations

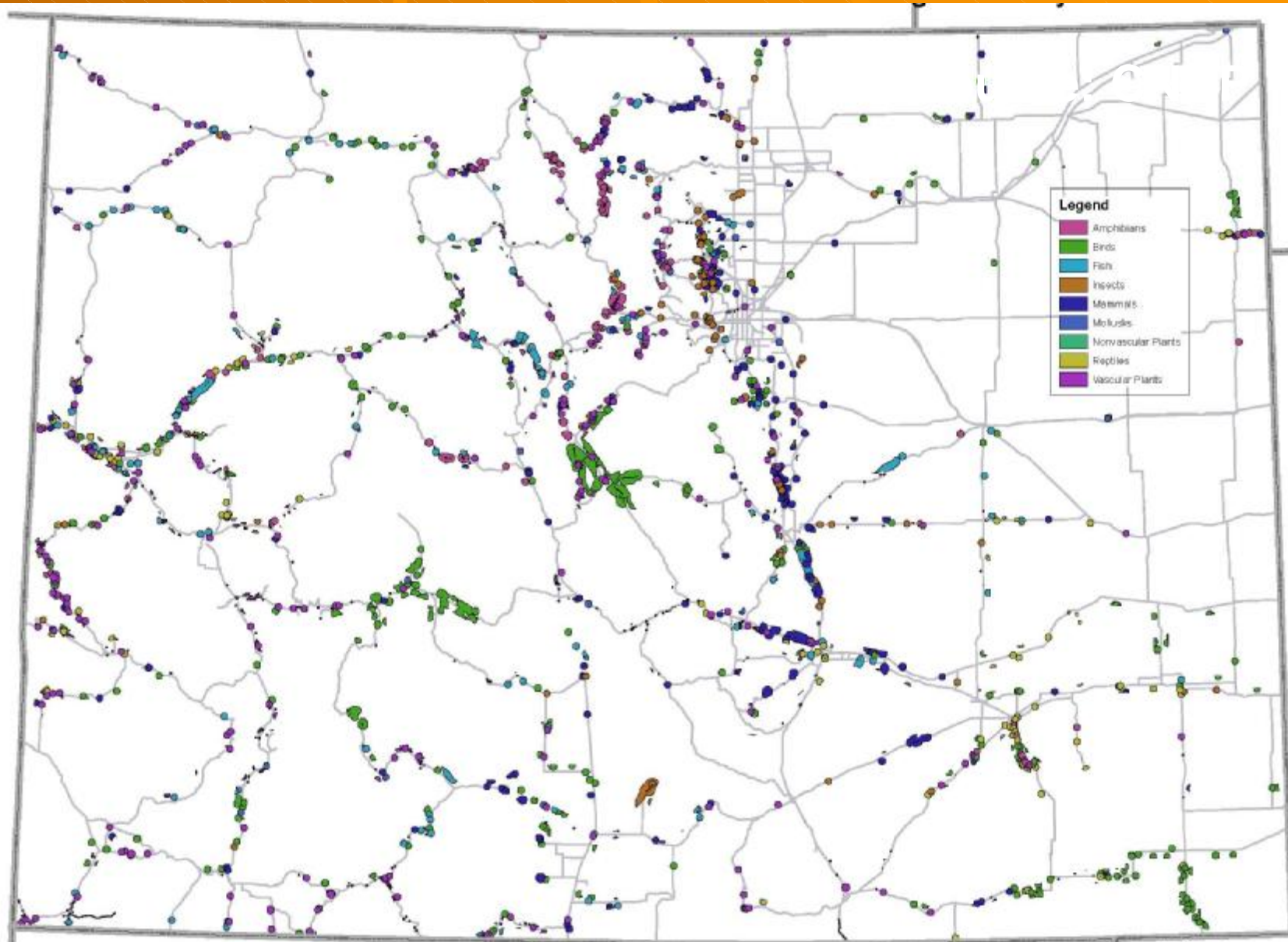
# Potential Habitat Conservation Areas



Source: CNHP

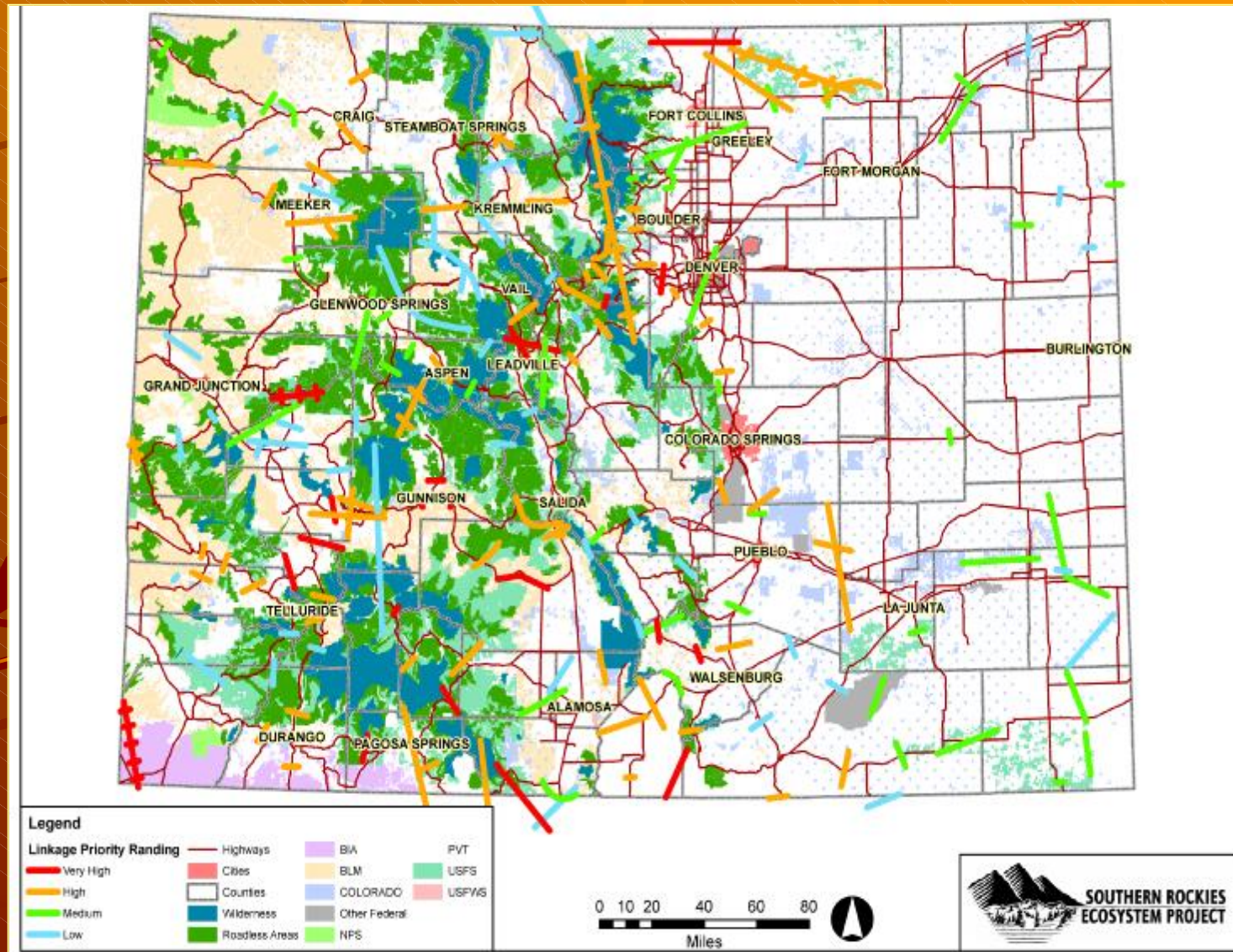


# Rare Element Occurences within 2 miles of ROW

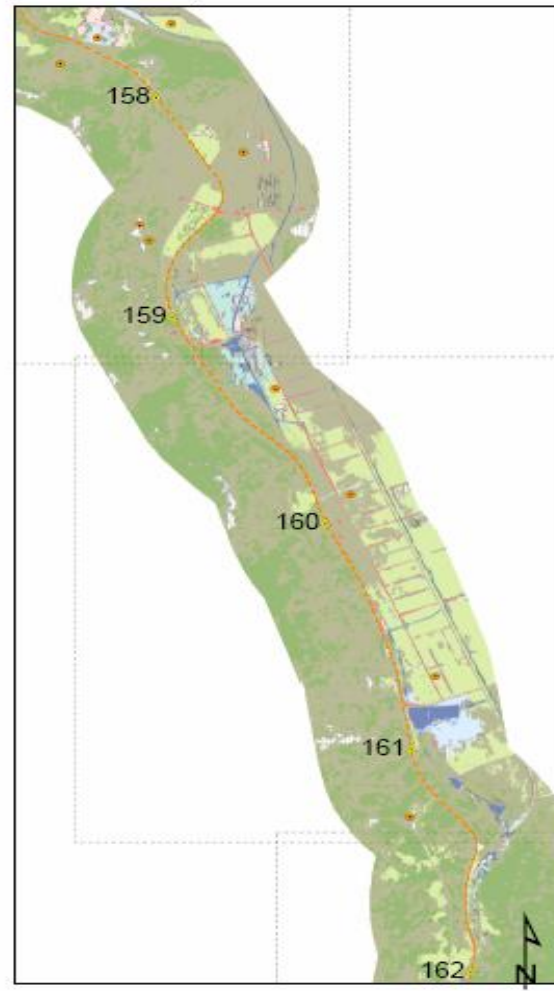
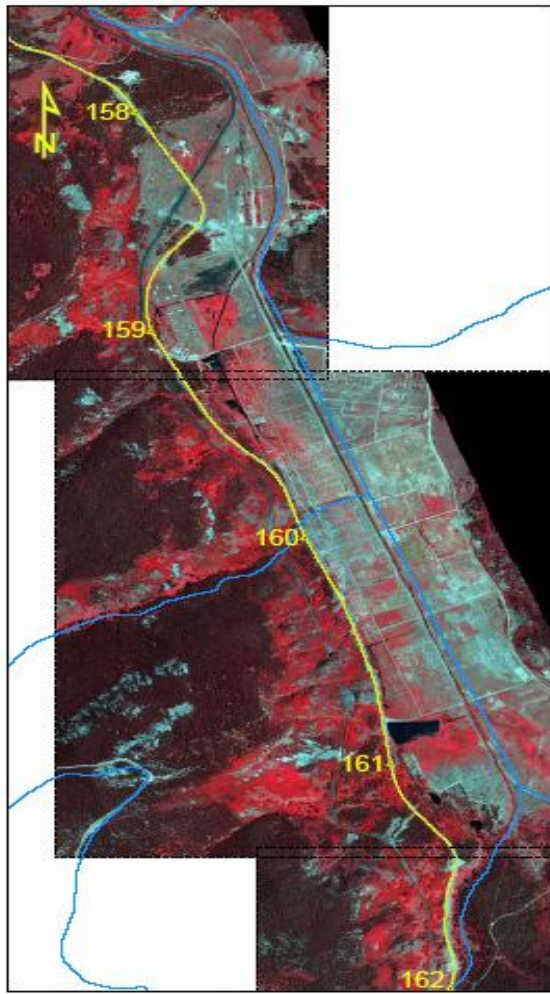


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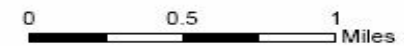
# Wildlife Linkages



# Environmental Inventories of Transportation Corridors

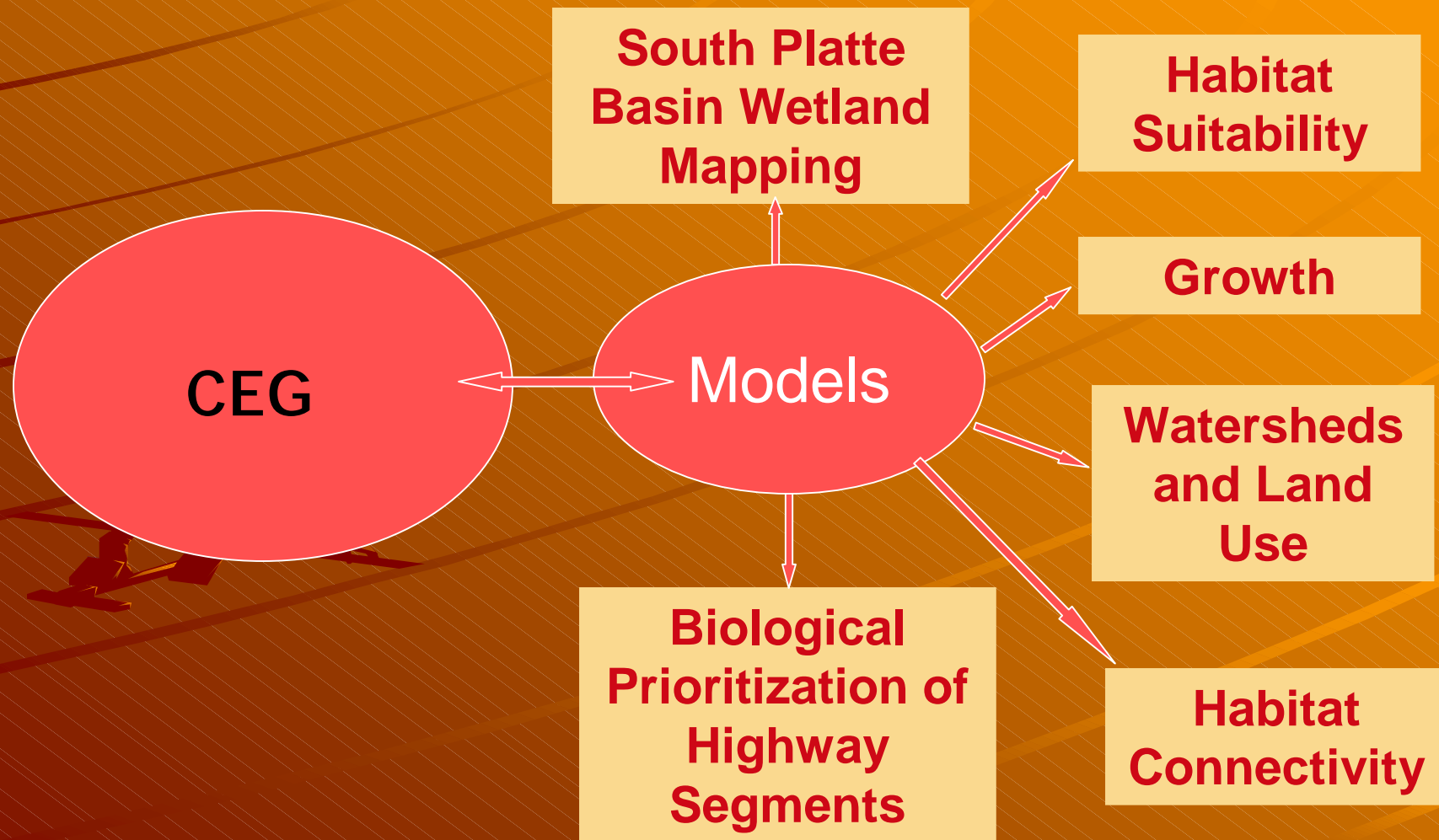


Revised Classification



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# Colorado Environmental Geodatabase – cont.

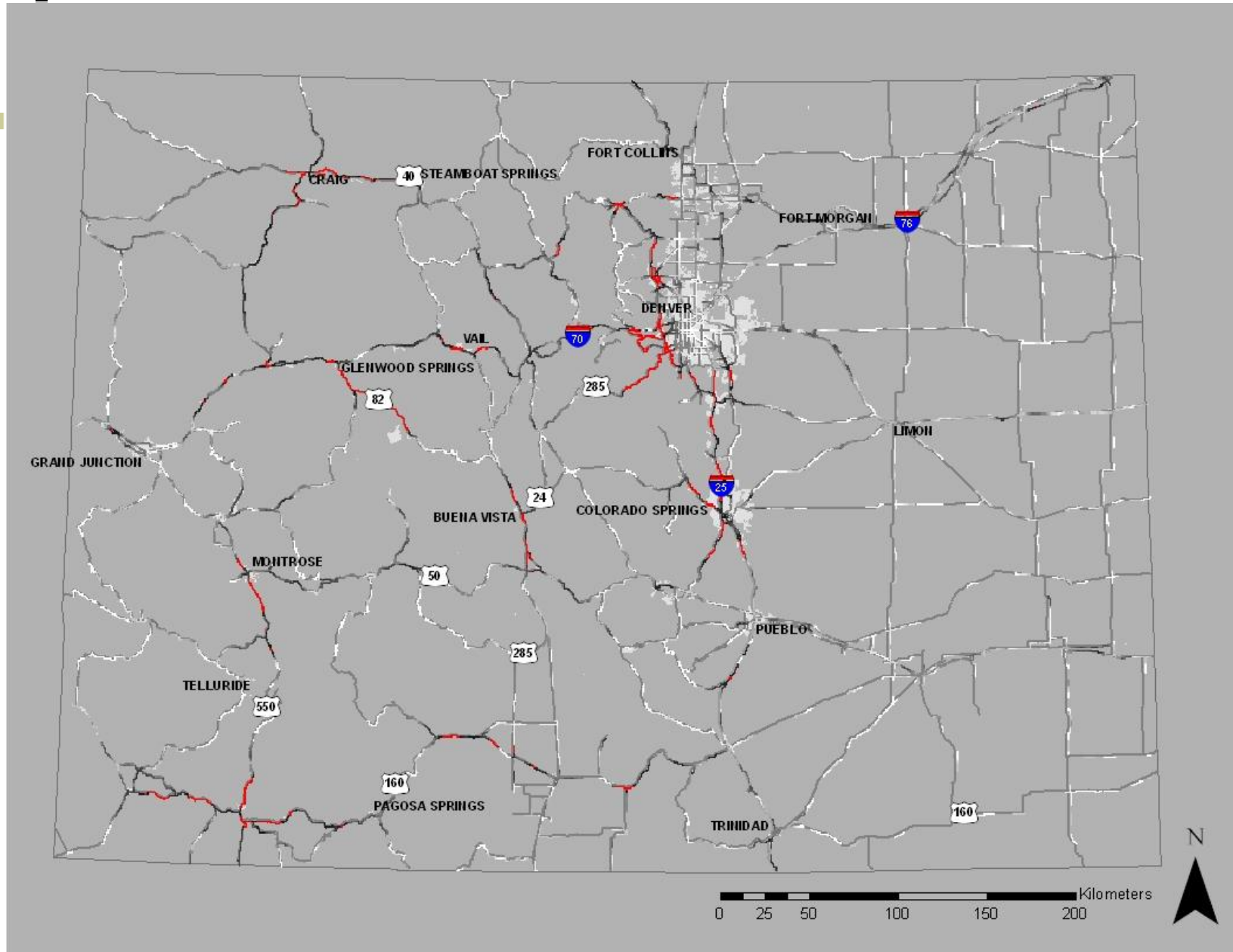


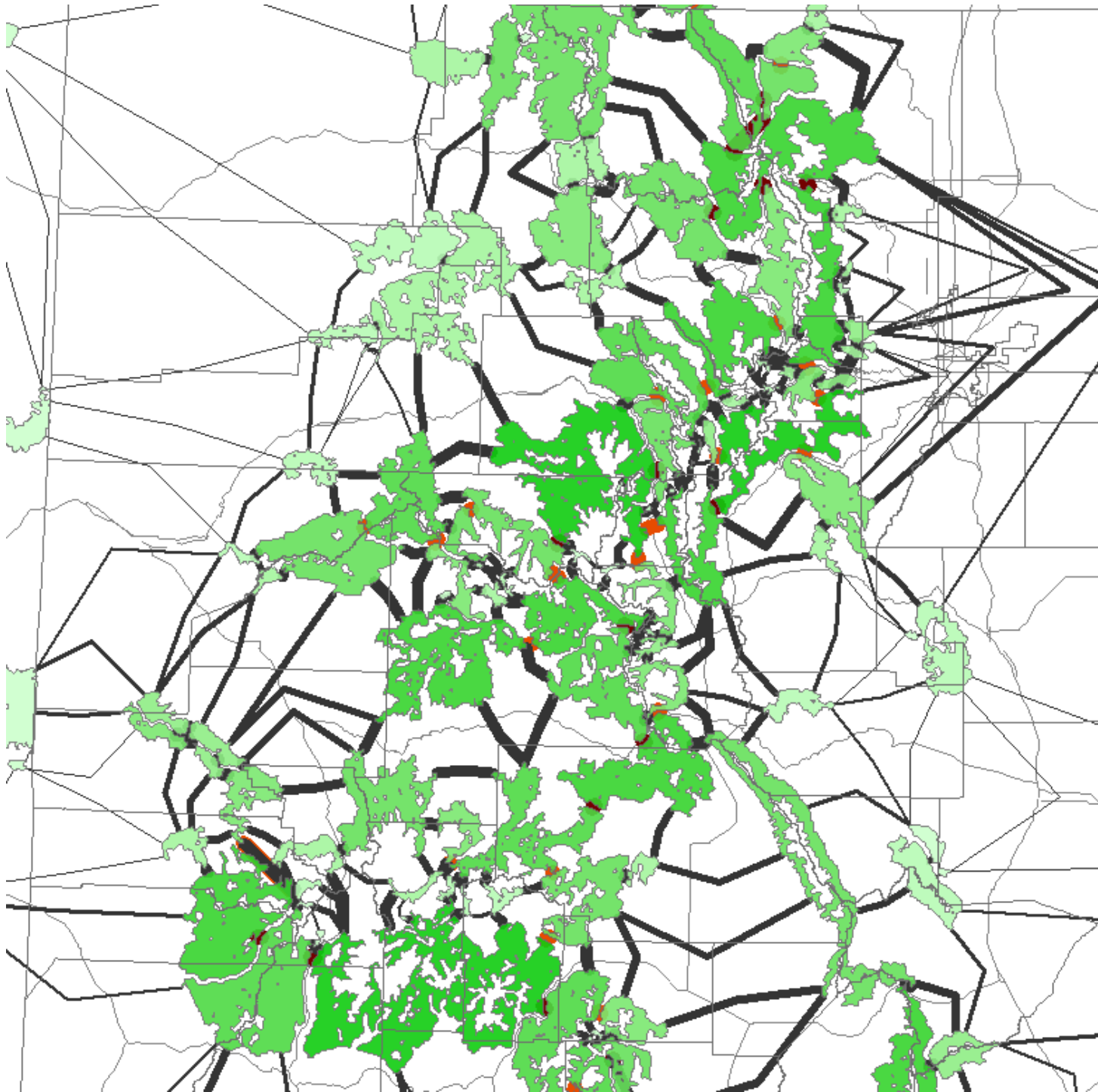
# Road Kill Data

2 datasets:

- ◆ Non species-specific 1986-2002
- ◆ Species-specific data for 1999-2003 for >20 species
  - Combined to one all inclusive dataset from 1986-2003 (>25,000 records)

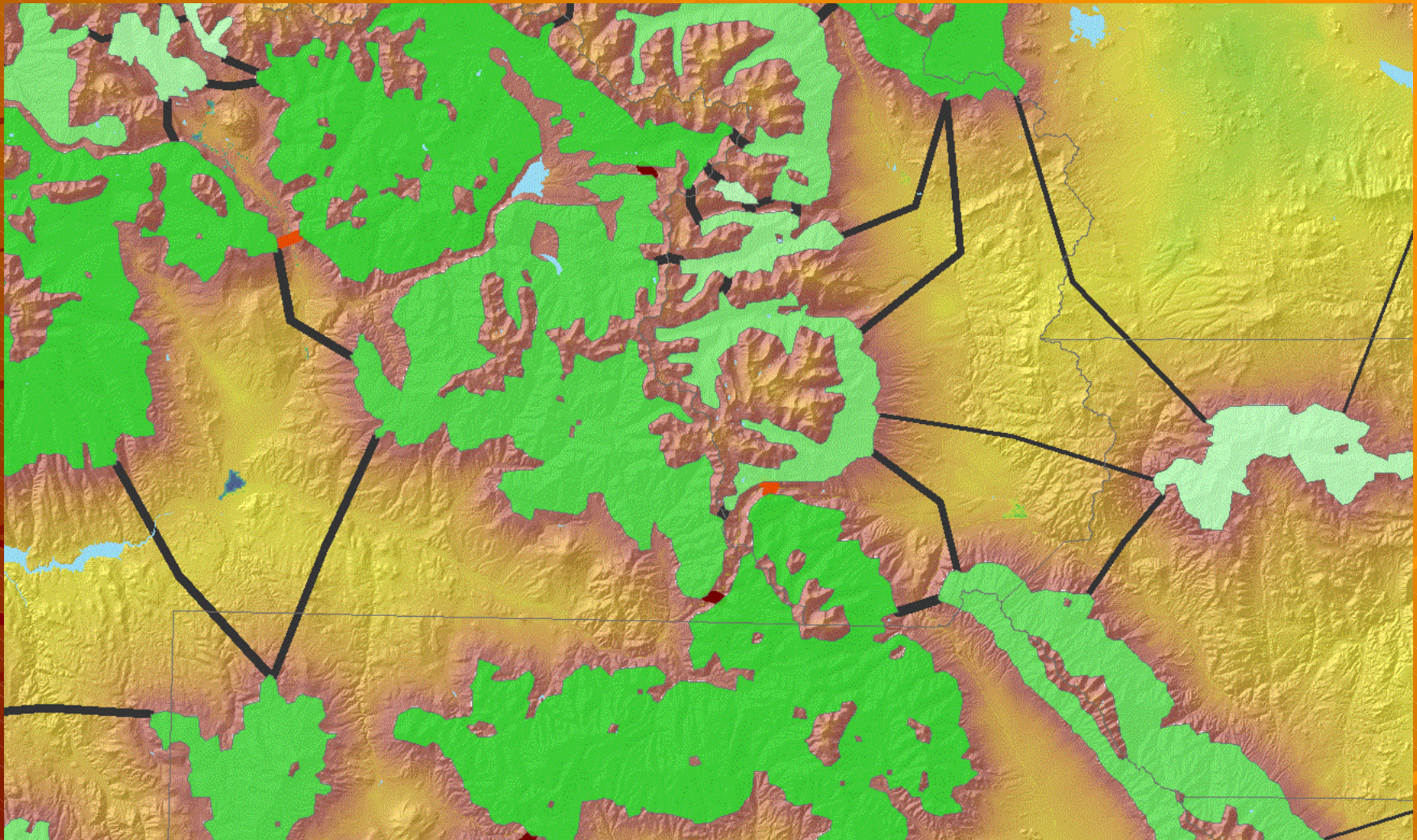
# All AVC density (2-mile window): Top 10% in Red





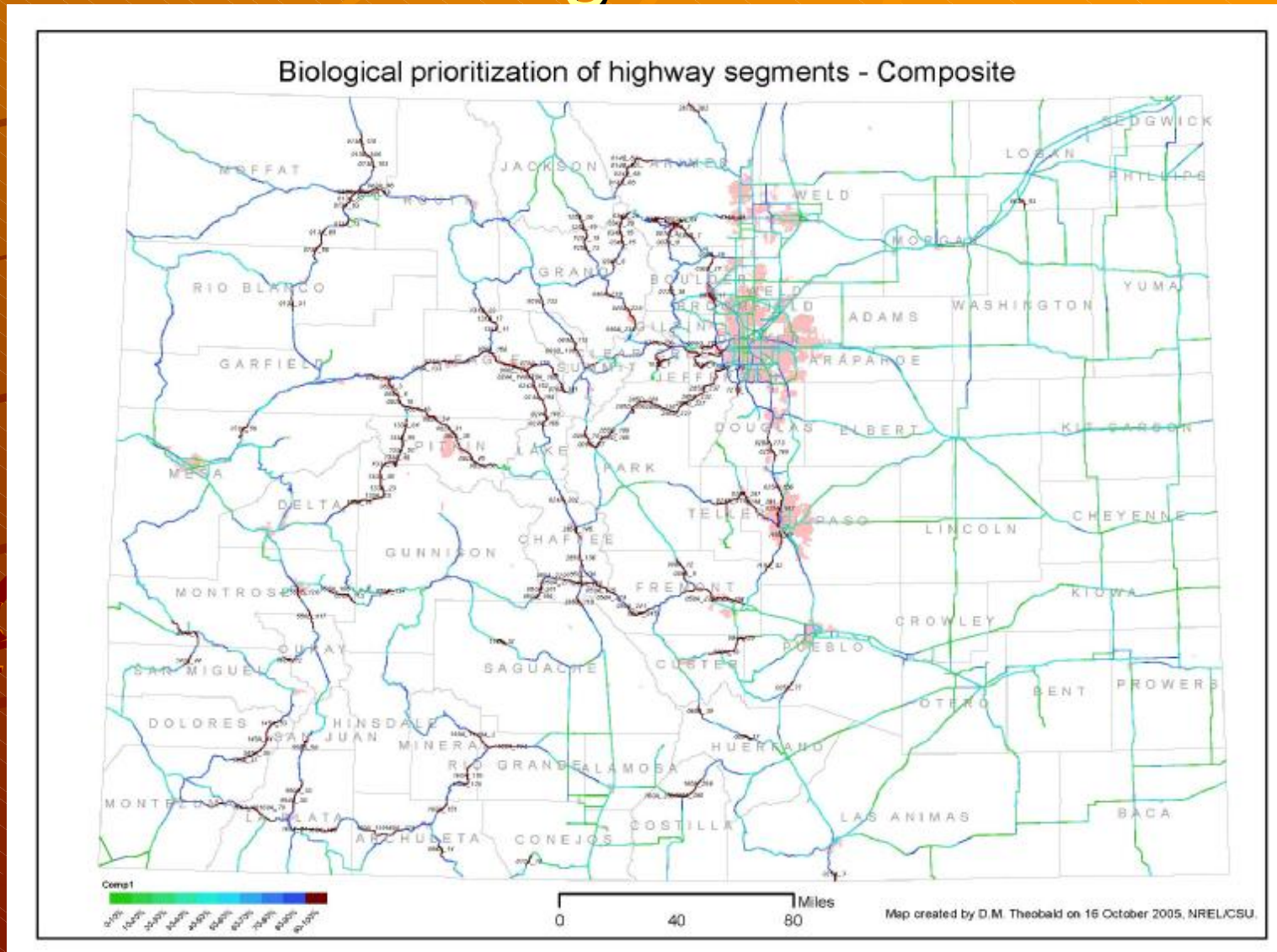
# Lynx Links

# Close-Up: Monarch Pass

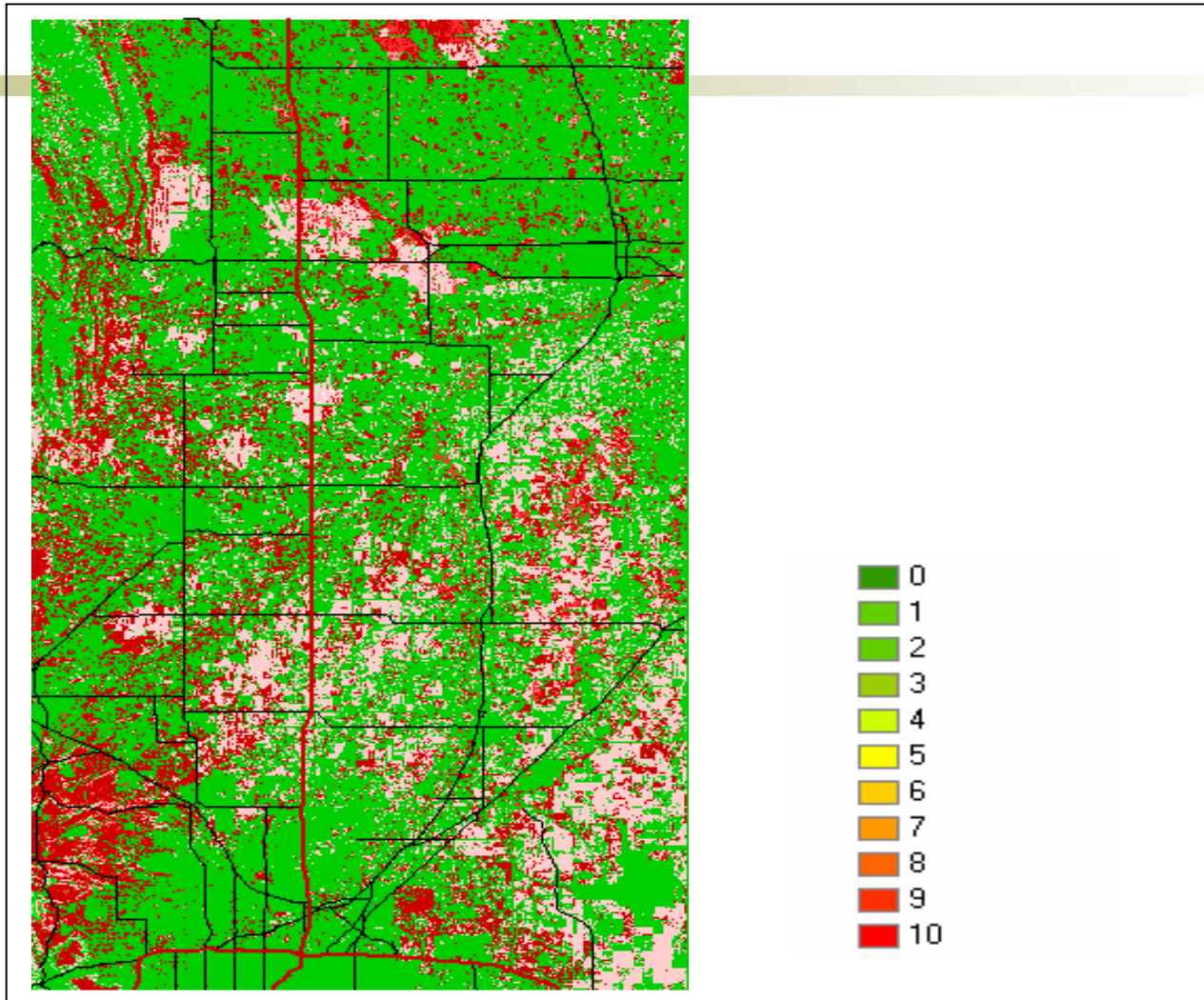




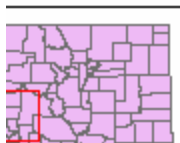
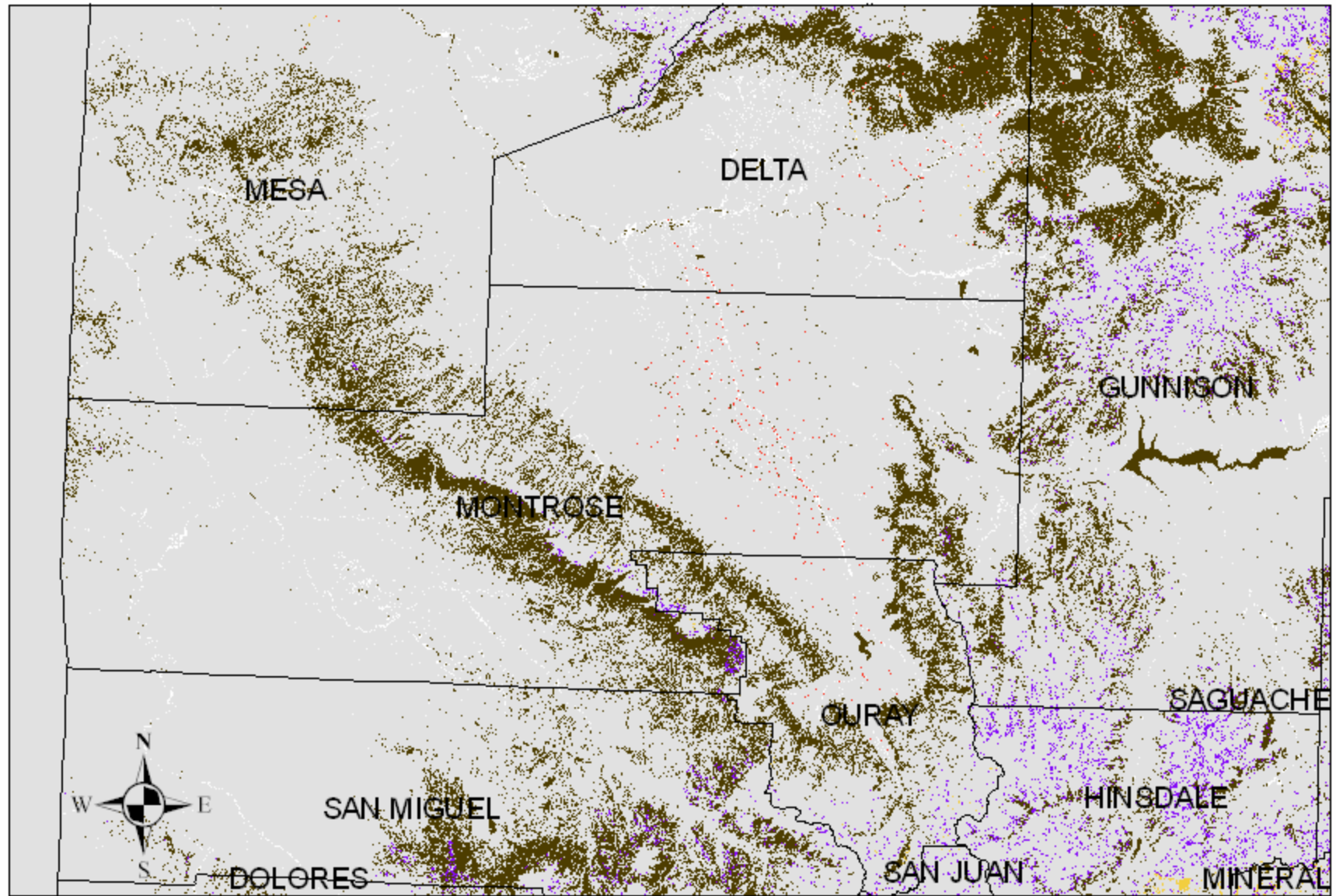
# Biological Prioritization of Highway Segments



# Black-tailed Prairie Dog Habitat Suitability Model



# Habitat Suitability Model for the Southwestern Willow Flycatcher

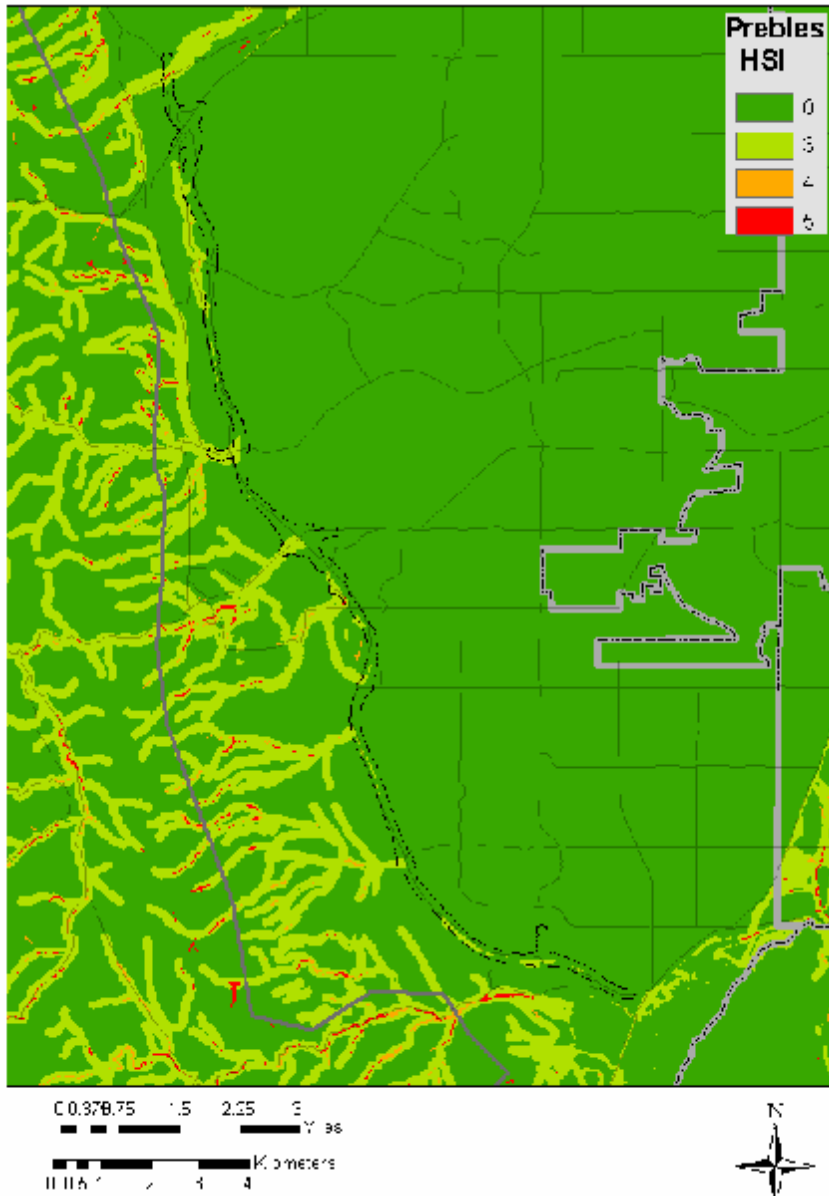


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# Preble's Habitat Suitability Model

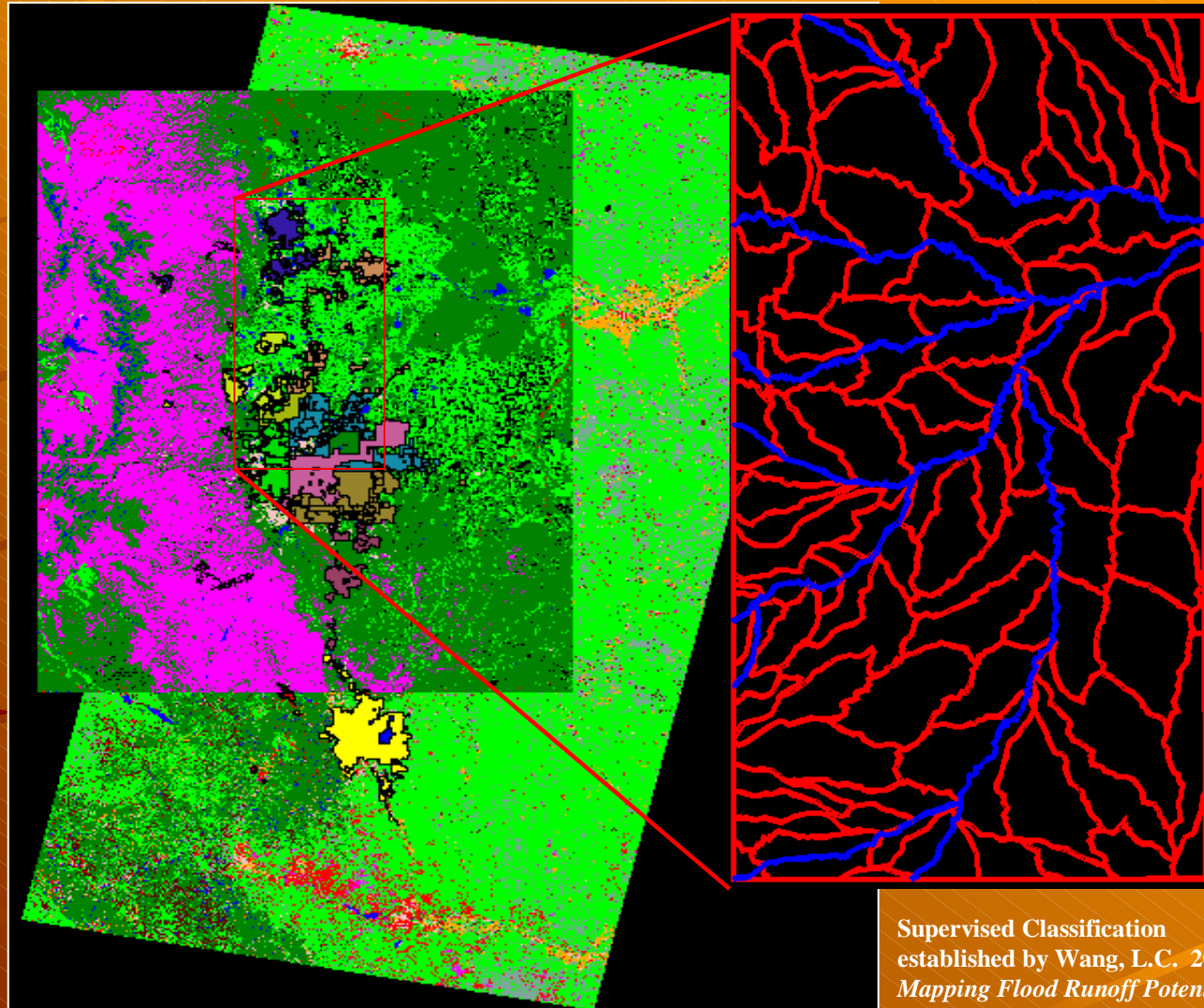


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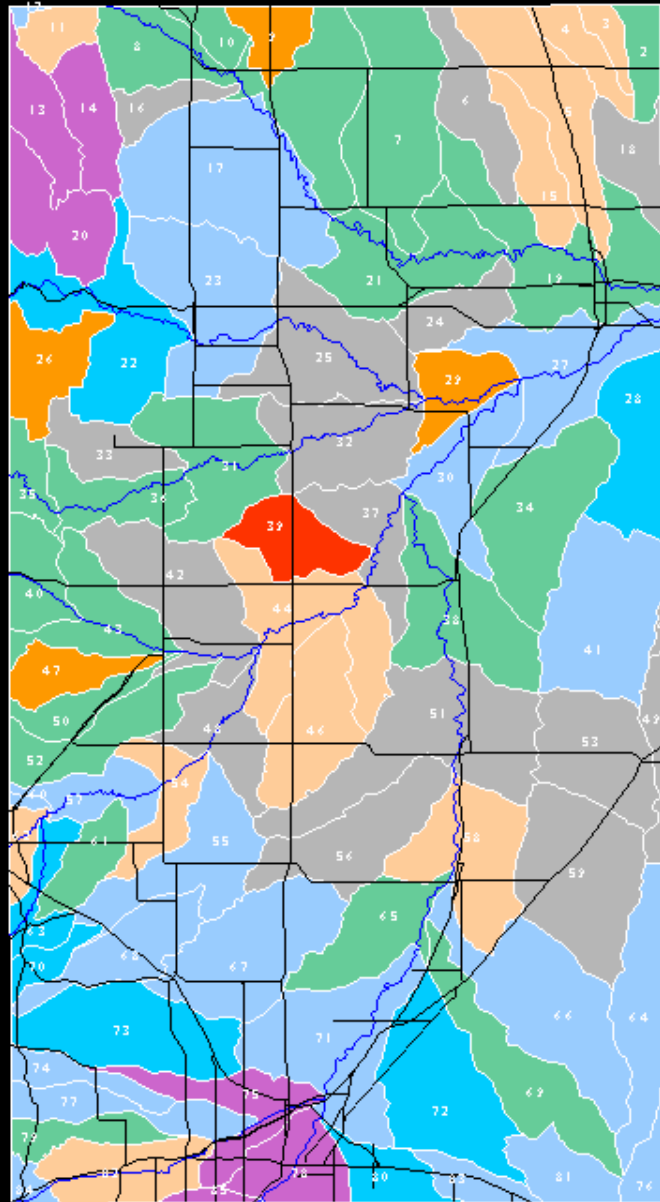
# WATERSHEDS AND LAND USE

CDOT Study Area

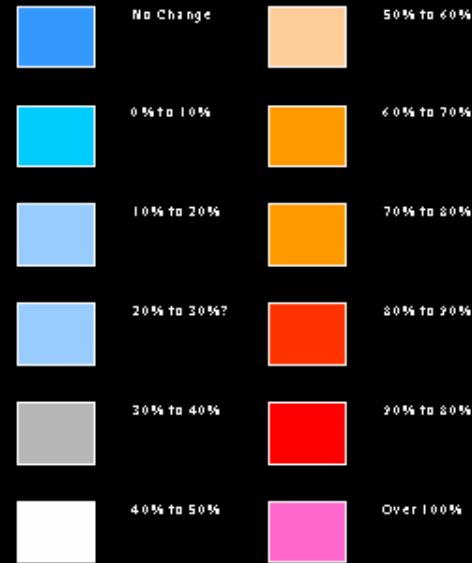
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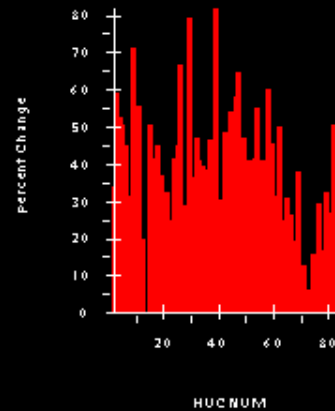
Supervised Classification  
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*Mapping Flood Runoff Potential  
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Map Displaying Percent Change in Q Peak for a 50-Year Storm



Bar Graph for a 50-Year Storm Displaying Delta from 1990-2000



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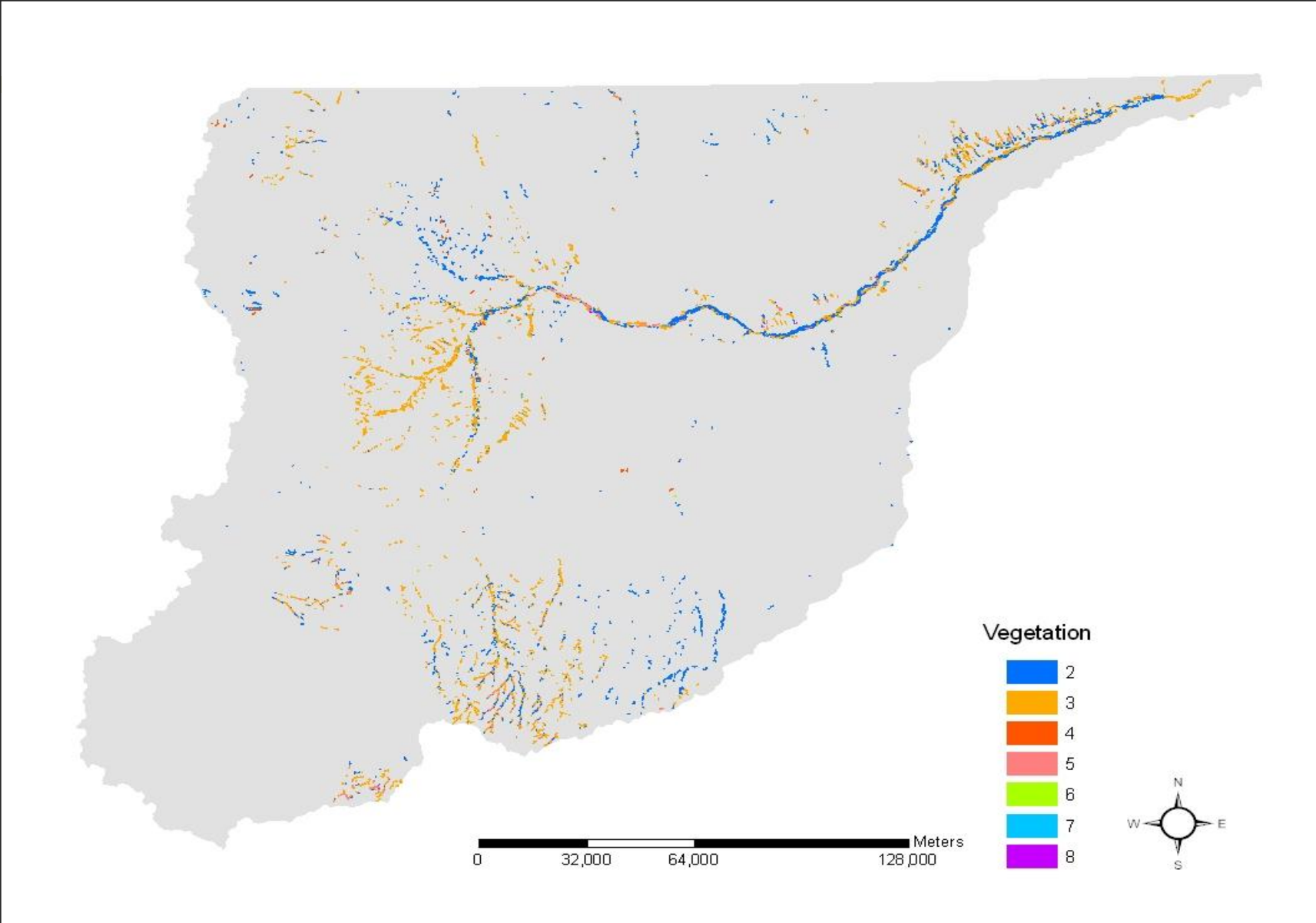
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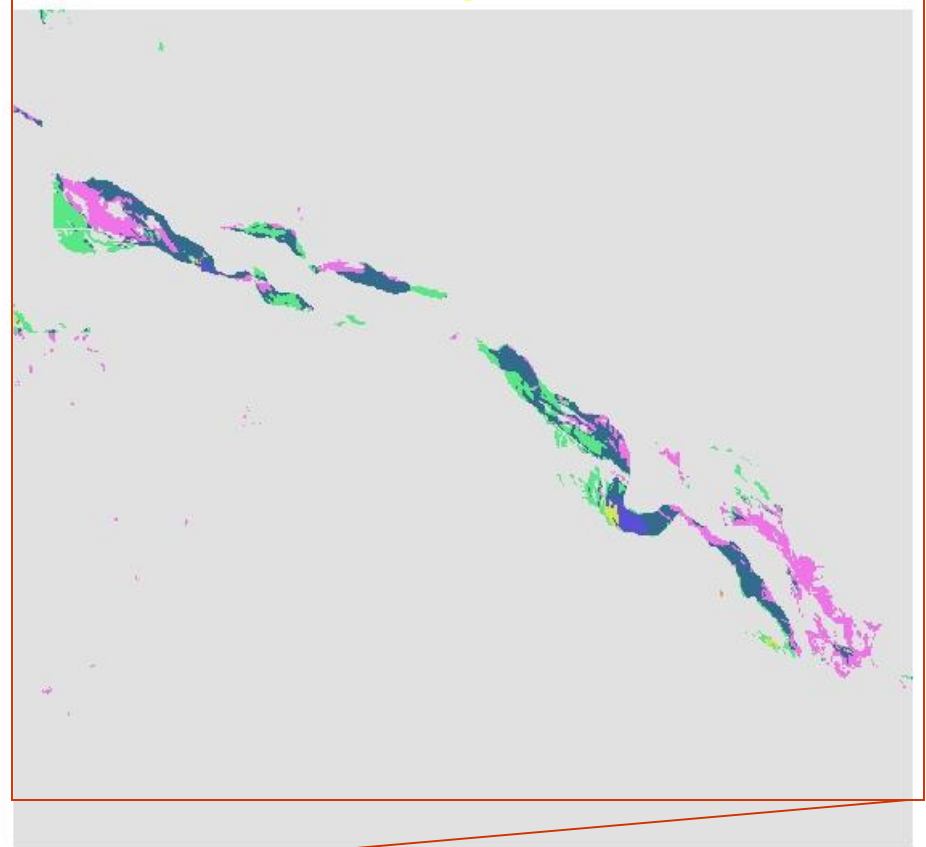
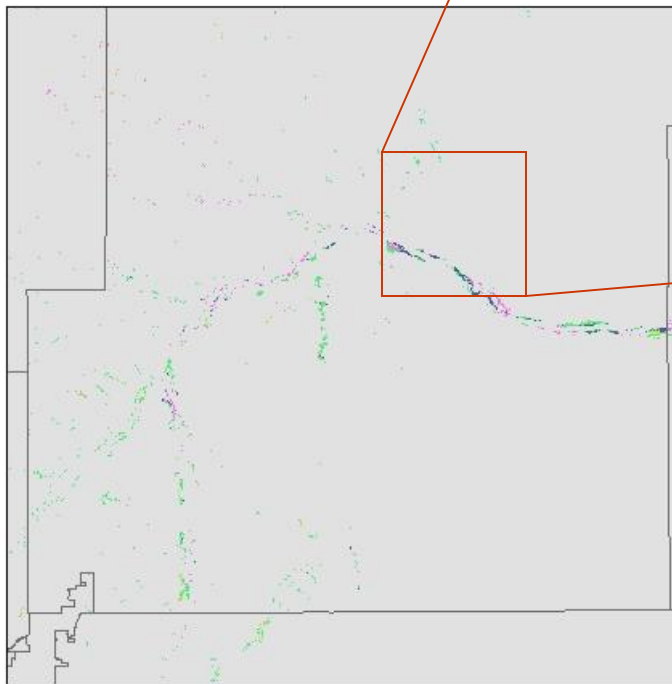
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# Potential Wetland Areas-South Platte River Basin



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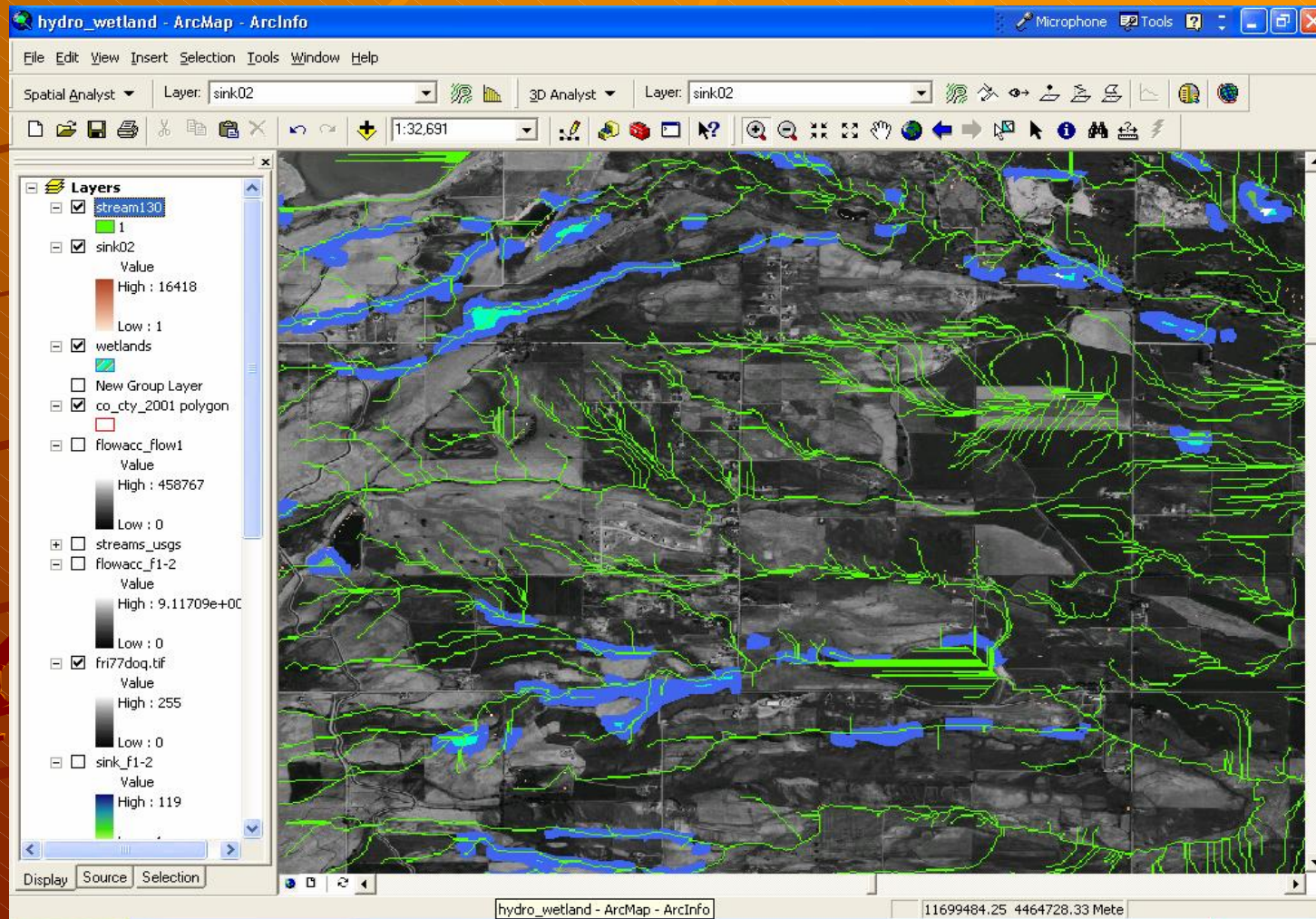
# In Progress

- ◆ Multi-Criteria Wetland Mapping

- ◆ More Habitat Suitability Models

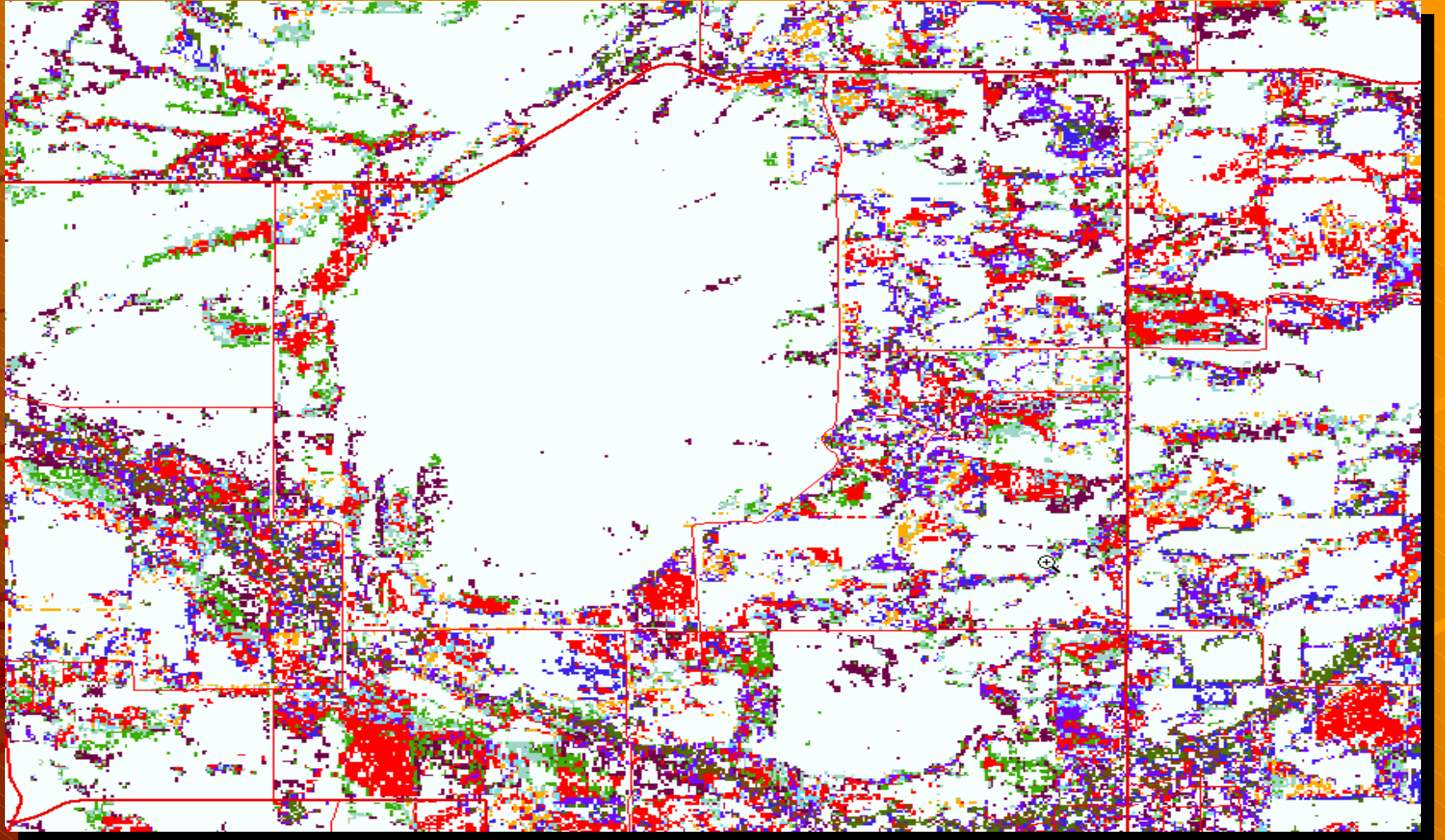
- ◆ Environmental Data Access

# Multi-Criteria Wetland Mapping



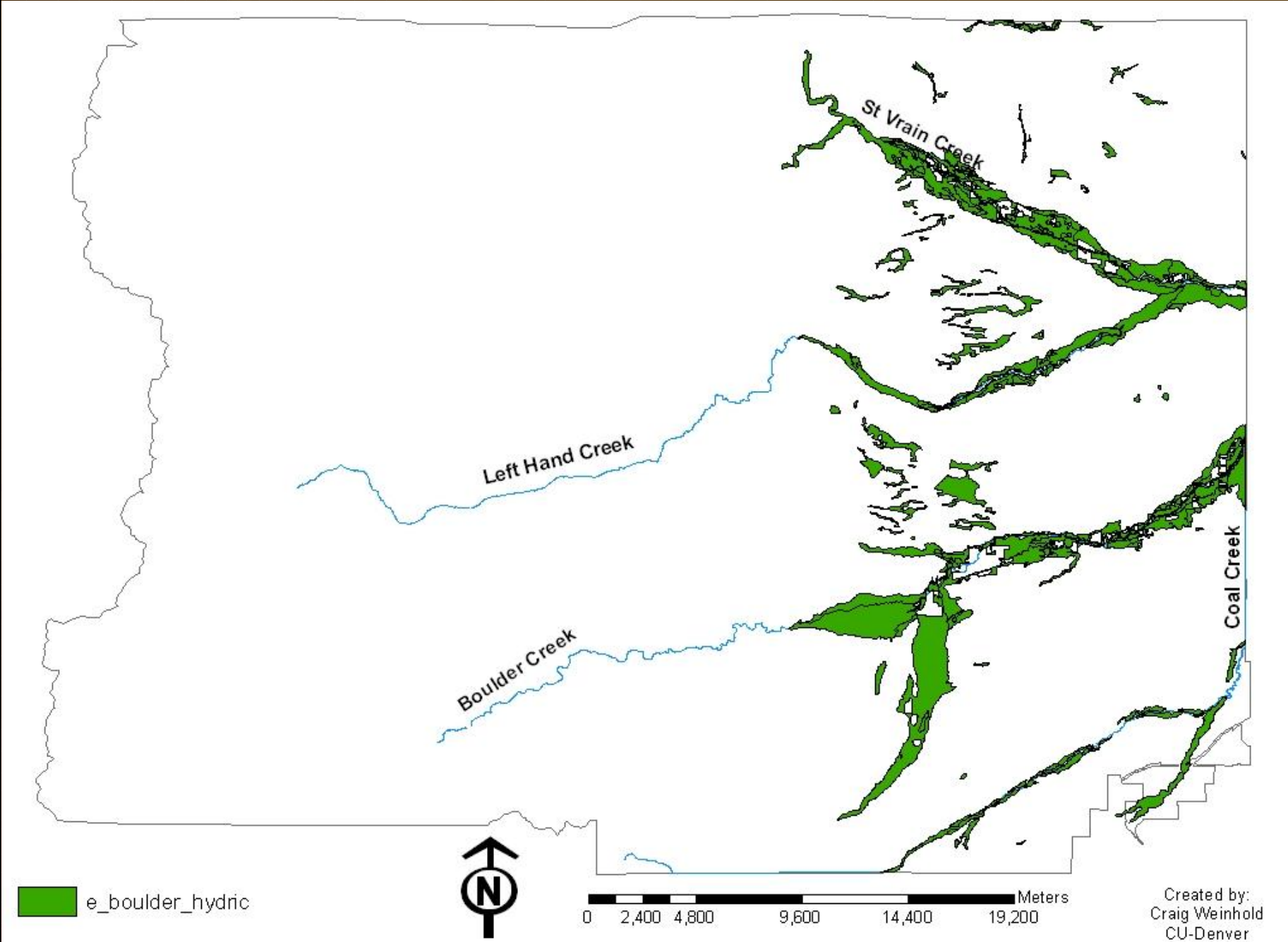
***Stream Network & Hydrology***

# *Multi-Criteria Wetland Mapping*



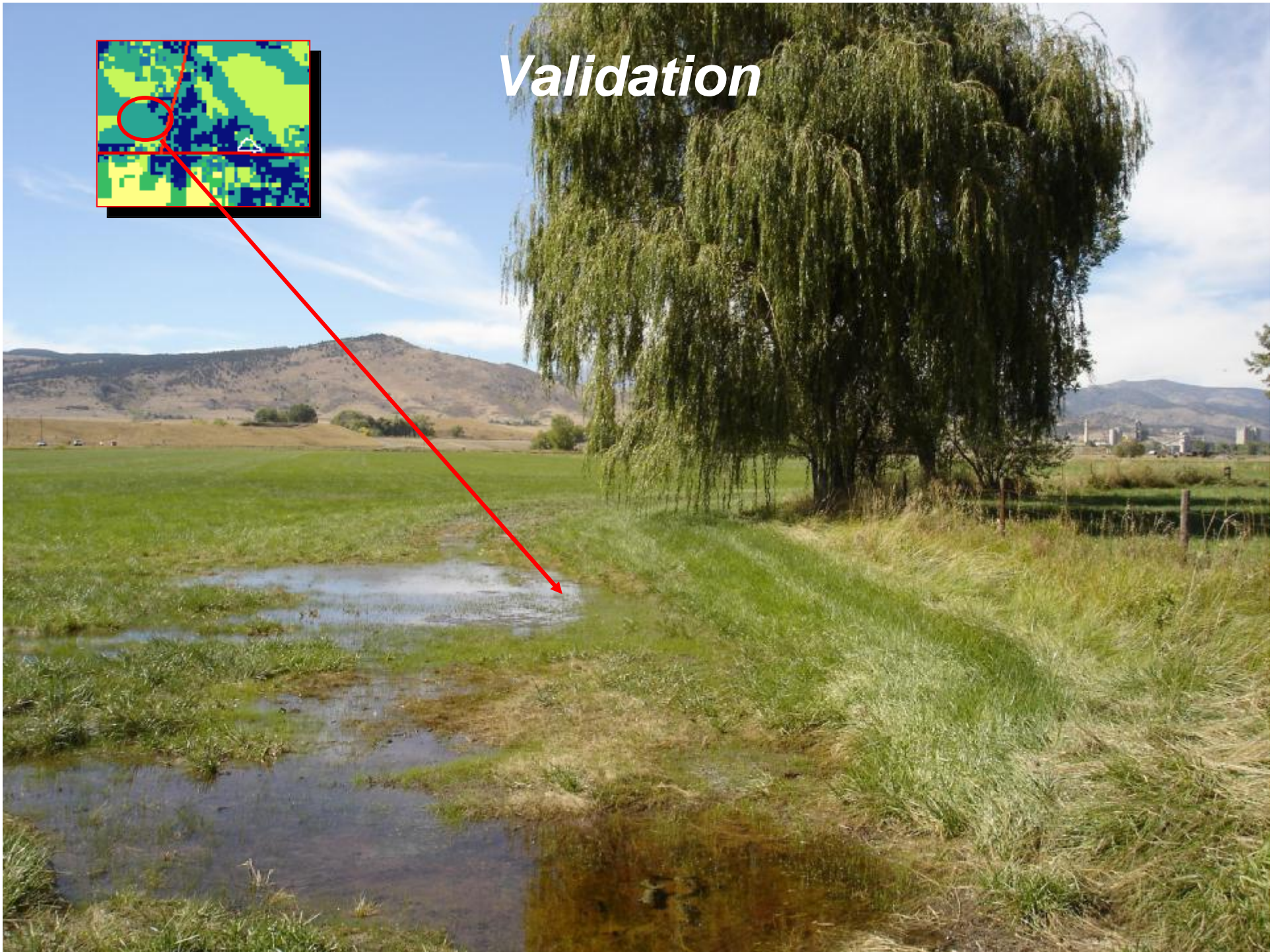
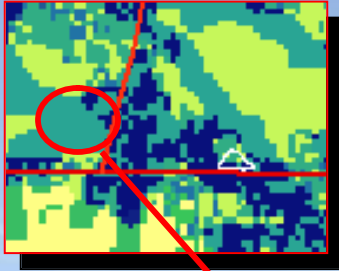
*Vegetation Classification*

# Hydric Soils in Eastern Boulder County





# Validation



# Environmental Data Access

## Objectives

- ◆ Provide CDOT, its partners, and other authorized users with:
  - ◆ reliable and ready access to data stored in the CEG and other databases.
  - ◆ ability to download environmental data models
- ◆ Protect sensitive data by regulating the level of access provided to each stakeholder.

# What will we do Now?

(This Year FY07)

## Environmental Geodatabase Delivery

- ◆ Extend current web delivery interface with a dropdown for CEG
- ◆ Data will be available within the next 30 days



# What will we do Now?

(This Year FY07)

## Environmental Geodatabase Delivery

- ◆ Develop and Implement a new web interface that will allow users to :
  - View data in map form
  - Query data in map form
  - Map printing
  - Download data (clip,zip and ship)
  - Ability to accept and respond to user feedback

# Future Capability

(Next 2-3 years\*)

## ◆ Accommodations for external users

- Data maintainers can extract, update and replace themes in the repository
- Simple models are executable within the repository
- Ability to serve models over the web

*\* Organizational and technical issues need to be explored and resolved in order to effectively implement these future capabilities. Results of STEP UP (Phase 2) will inform many of these issues*

# Conclusions

- ◆ EDI is continuing effort
- ◆ Next steps require stakeholder participation
  - Developing truly useful access to a data for environmental analysis is beyond the capabilities, or even the responsibilities of CDOT
    - Data Sharing Agreements
- ◆ Who is interested in participating?

Questions?

