



Biodiversity Conservation Planning

“...it’s all about methods, data, and tools”

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Biodiversity Conservation Planning

Seems like everyone is doing it!

- The Nature Conservancy - Ecoregional Conservation Plans & Conservation Action Plans
- State Comprehensive Wildlife Conservation Strategies
- Bird Conservation Region and Joint Venture plans
- GAP Analysis Projects
- Multi-county planning initiatives
- Forest Products Industry
- And many, many others



The process and products need to be...

- Transparent
- Measurable
- Actionable
- 'Bulletproof'
 - Expert Knowledge
 - Partner Consensus

Government

Industry

Conservation
NGOs



Adaptive Conservation Framework

Assessment

Effects

Priority-setting

Implementation

Monitor

Develop Strategies

Capacity-building

Policy-based

Practice-based

Place-based

Implement



Analysis at Multiple Spatial Scales

- **Regional-scale** (e.g., habitat conservation throughout the Southern Rocky Mountains and Central Shortgrass Prairie ecoregions)
- **Public/Private Land Planning Unit**
(e.g., management emphasis on contiguous National Forest, county open space, and local trust lands)
- **Local Landscape** (e.g., multiple habitat patches within a project area)



10 Common Steps in Planning

- WHAT IS THE PLANNING AREA?
 - WHAT ECOSYSTEMS AND SPECIES REQUIRE CONSIDERATION?
 - WHERE ARE THEY?
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- WHAT ARE EXPECTED HEALTHY CONDITIONS?
 - WHAT ARE CURRENT CONDITIONS?
 - WHAT ARE THE TRENDS AMONG THOSE CONDITIONS?
 - WHAT ARE DESIRED CONDITIONS?
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- WHAT STRATEGIES WILL MOVE US TOWARD DESIRED CONDITIONS?
 - WHAT ARE EXPECTED OUTCOMES FROM THESE STRATEGIES?
 - HOW WILL WE MEASURE OUR PROGRESS?

What Should We Aiming For?

- Shared Methods
- Common Data Libraries
- Standard Tools





Tools for Strategic Biodiversity Planning

a case study from Puerto Rico

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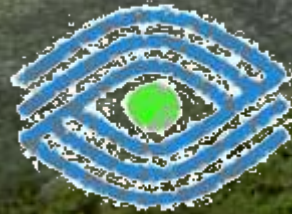
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Puerto Rico Biodiversity Conservation Initiative

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Puerto Rico Biodiversity Conservation Initiative

- Develop integrated **conservation strategies** across terrestrial, freshwater, and marine ecosystems
- **Integrate existing data** into common format and system
- Prioritize and fill key **data gaps**
- **Build capacity** with technical methods, data, and tools



Planning at Multiple Scales

- **Caribbean-wide habitat priorities**

(e.g., marine mammals & reptiles, fish assemblages, migratory birds)

- **Island-wide land/water use prioritization**

(incentives, regulation, and land acquisition)

- **Watershed land use planning**

(integrating freshwater and coastal marine issues with needs of local land-use planning)

- **Local 'Site' management planning, and implementation, and monitoring**





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A Conservation Planning Methodology and Decision Support System

Site Inventory

Scenario Evaluation: Napa County - Baseline Selected Site

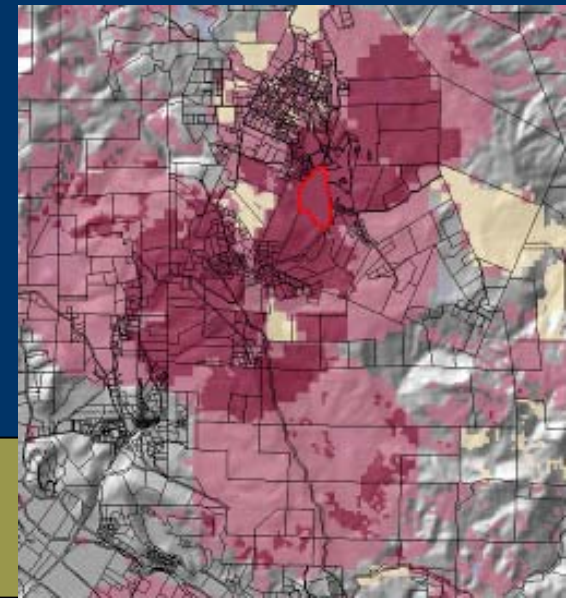
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Element Name	Protection	Viability	Response
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<input type="checkbox"/> Napa Western Fly	Green	Green	Incompatible
<input type="checkbox"/> Purple Martin	Green	Green	Compatible

Scenario Composition

Layer	Land Use	Protection Policy
State FBG	Recreation and Open Space	Owined/Managed
StreamSetbacks.shp	Biodiversity Conservation	Local legislation
Slope_plus_50	Biodiversity Conservation	Local Legislation

Buttons: Preview, Apply, Finish ...





What is NatureServe Vista?

- An extension to ESRI's ArcMap 9 (with spatial analyst)
 1. Integrates conservation information, management practices, and land use plans
 2. Will help you to create plans specific to your area, resources, and values
 3. Allows you to dynamically monitor progress toward goals, identify emerging conflicts and opportunities, and create mitigation plans



Coarse Filter/Fine Filter Approach

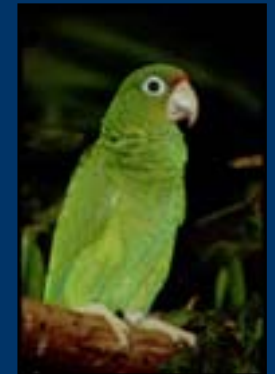
- **Ecological Systems**

Natural community mosaics defined at scales useful for management and monitoring



- **Focal Communities**

vulnerable species groupings, spawning areas, migratory stopover points, movement corridors, etc.

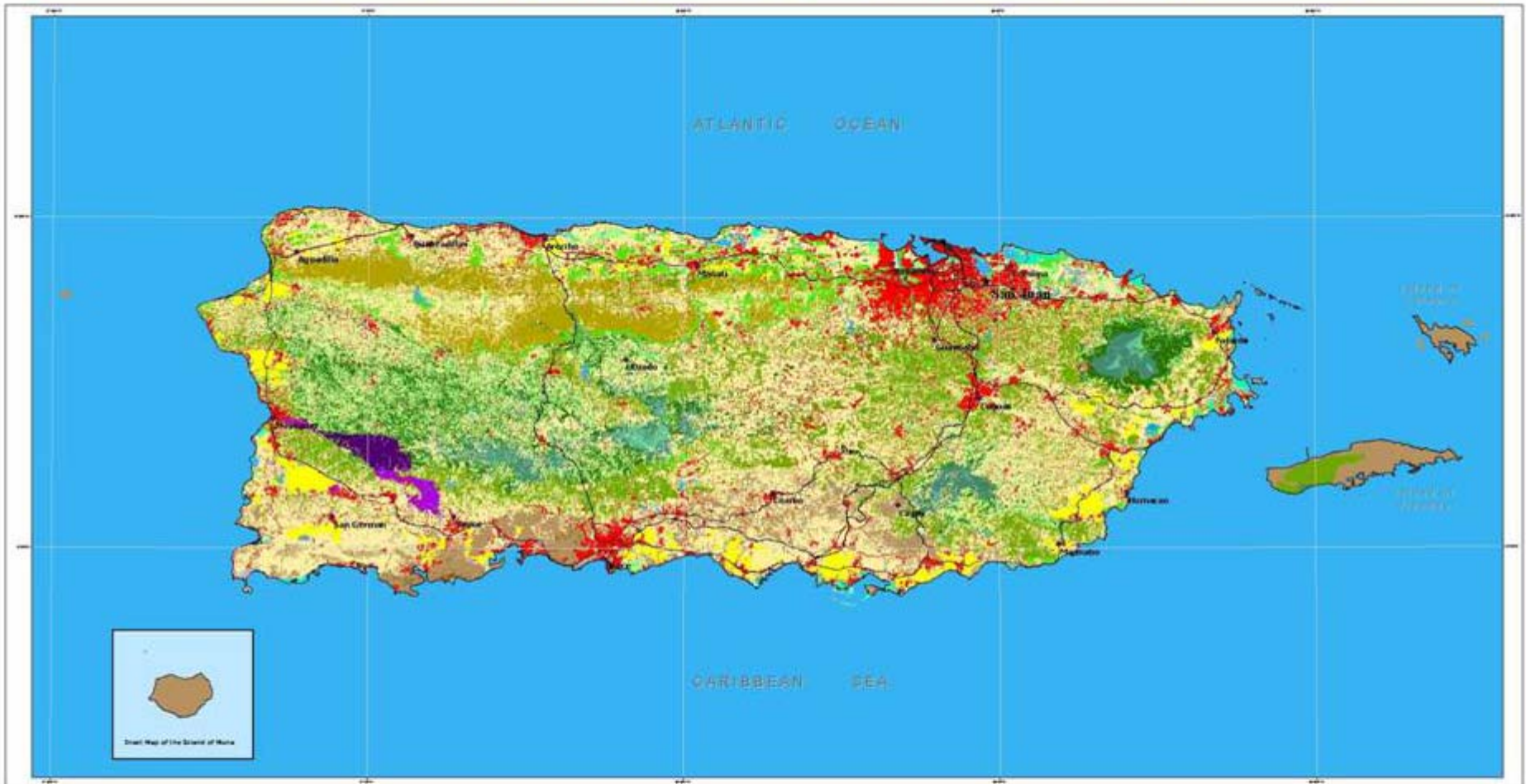


- **Focal Species/Subspecies**

imperiled, declining, endemic, vulnerable, "umbrella"



Terrestrial Ecological Systems and Land Use Classes for Puerto Rico



Terrestrial Ecological System Classes

- | | | |
|---|---|--|
| Caribbean coastal rocky shore | Caribbean lowland moist serpentine woodland | Caribbean seasonal evergreen submontane/lowland forest |
| Caribbean coastal sandy beach | Caribbean maritime shore/estuary mouth mangrove | Caribbean serpentine dry scrub |
| Caribbean coastal thorn scrub | Caribbean montane wet elfin forest | Caribbean wet montane forest |
| Caribbean edapho-xerophilous "mogote" complex | Caribbean montane wet serpentine woodland | Caribbean wet submontane/lowland forest |
| Caribbean emergent herbaceous estuary | Caribbean montane wet short shrubland | |
| Caribbean estuarine mangrove forest | Caribbean montane/submontane karst forest | |
| Caribbean floodplain forest | Caribbean riparian forest and woodland | |
| Caribbean freshwater marsh | Caribbean salt flats and ponds | |
| Caribbean lowland dry semi-deciduous forest | Caribbean seasonal evergreen lowland forest | |

Land Use Classes

- | |
|---|
| Intensive Agriculture |
| Extensive Agriculture |
| Urban/Industrial |
| Montane forest/shrub and abandoned shade coffee |
| Water |

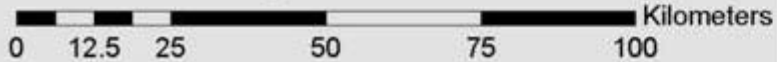


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Kilometers

1 : 250,000 Scale



Freshwater Habitats

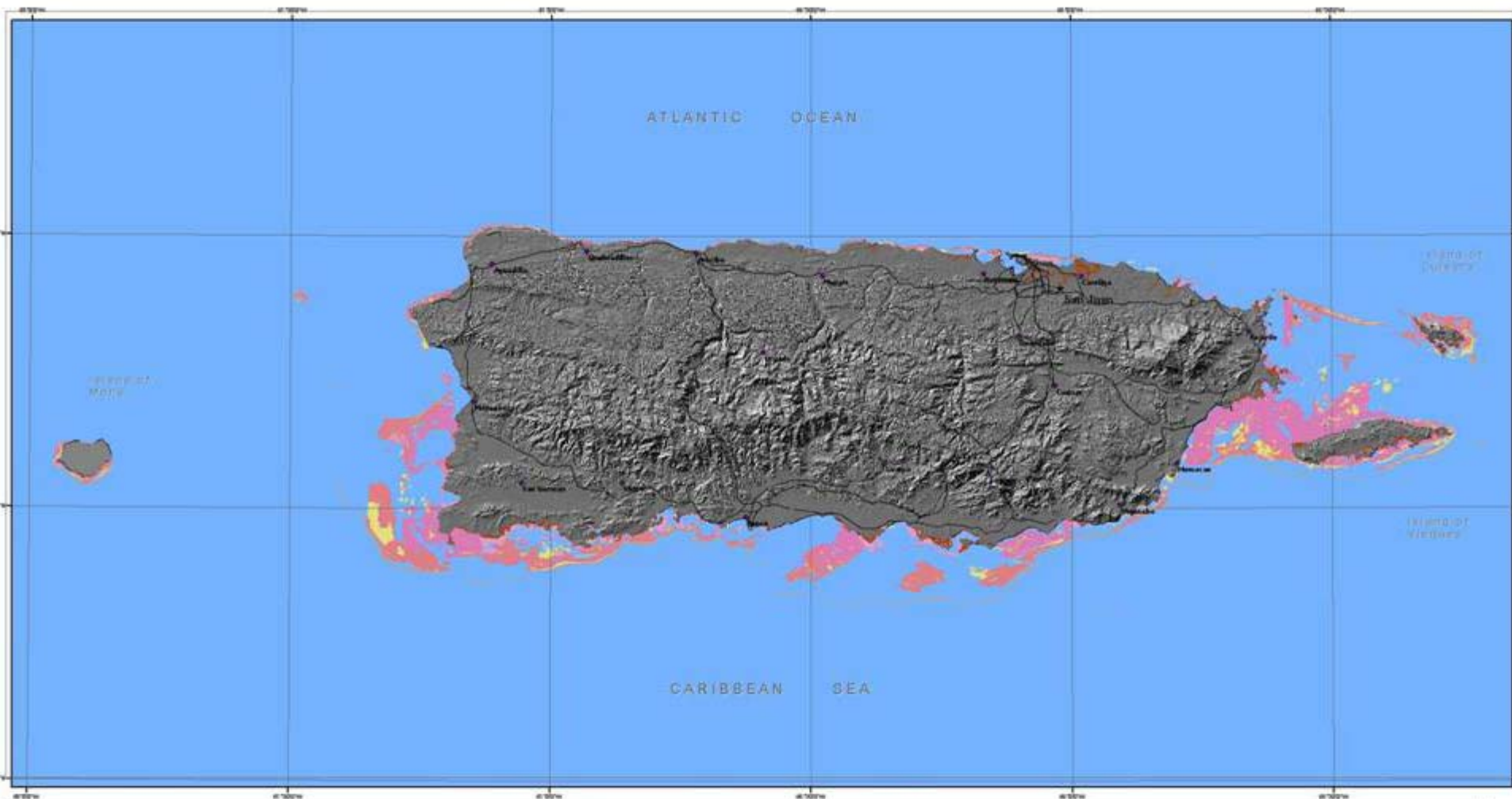


Freshwater Habitats

- Coastal Aquatics
- Karst Streams
- Stream Classes 1 - 3 Under 600 Meters in Elevation
- Stream Classes 1 - 3 Over 600 Meters in Elevation
- Stream Classes 4 - 6
- Stream Classes 7 - 8
- Freshwater Lakes
- Karst Freshwater Pools



Coastal Marine Habitat



Coastal Marine Habitats

- Backreef_Colonized Bedrock/Colonized Pavement with Sand and Channels
- Backreef_Linear reef
- Backreef_Patch Reef (Individual and Aggregated)/Scattered Coral/Rock in Unconsolidated Sediment
- Bank/Shelf Escarpment/Forereef_Colonized Bedrock/Colonized Pavement with Sand and Channels
- Bank/Shelf Escarpment/Forereef_Linear reef/Spur and Groove Reef
- Bank/Shelf_Colonized Bedrock/Colonized Pavement with Sand and Channels
- Bank/Shelf_Linear Reef/Spur and Groove Reef

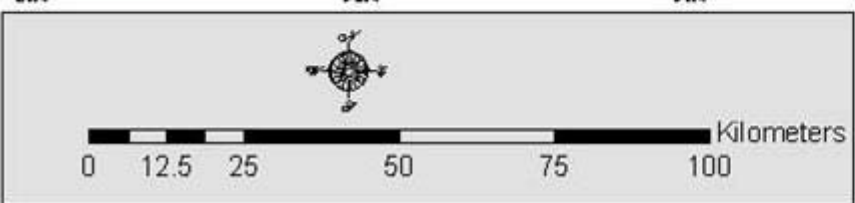
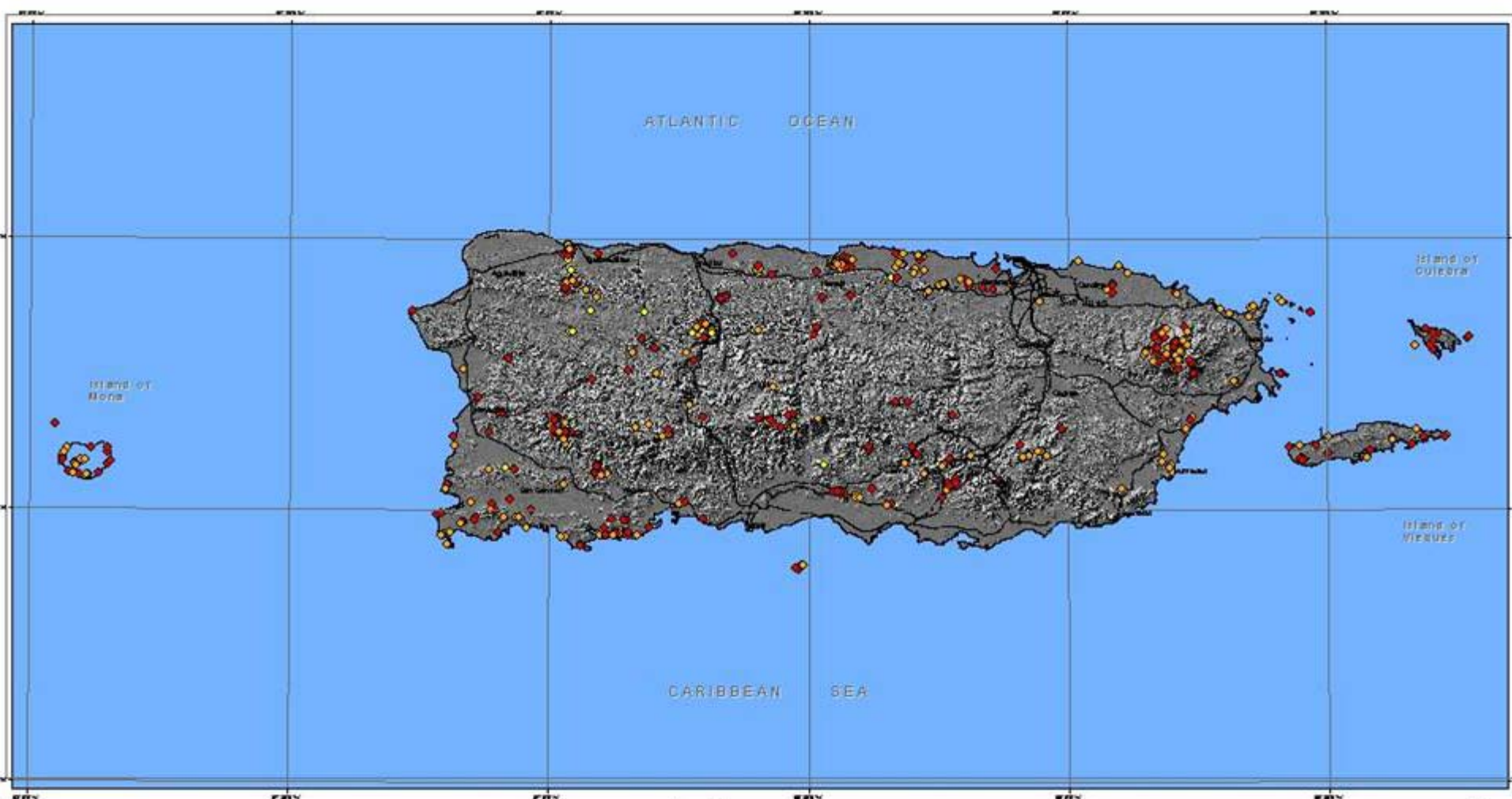
- Forereef/Bank/Shelf Escarpment_Patch Reef (Individual) Scattered Coral/Rock in Unconsolidated Sediment
- Lagoon/Reef Crest/Shoreline Intertidal_Colonized Bedrock and Pavement/Colonized Pavements with Sand and Channels
- Lagoon/Reef Crest/Shoreline Intertidal_Linear Reef
- Seagrass/Backreef
- Seagrass/Bank Shelf
- Seagrass/Lagoon
- Mangroves Interface



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Plant Element Occurrences by G-Rank



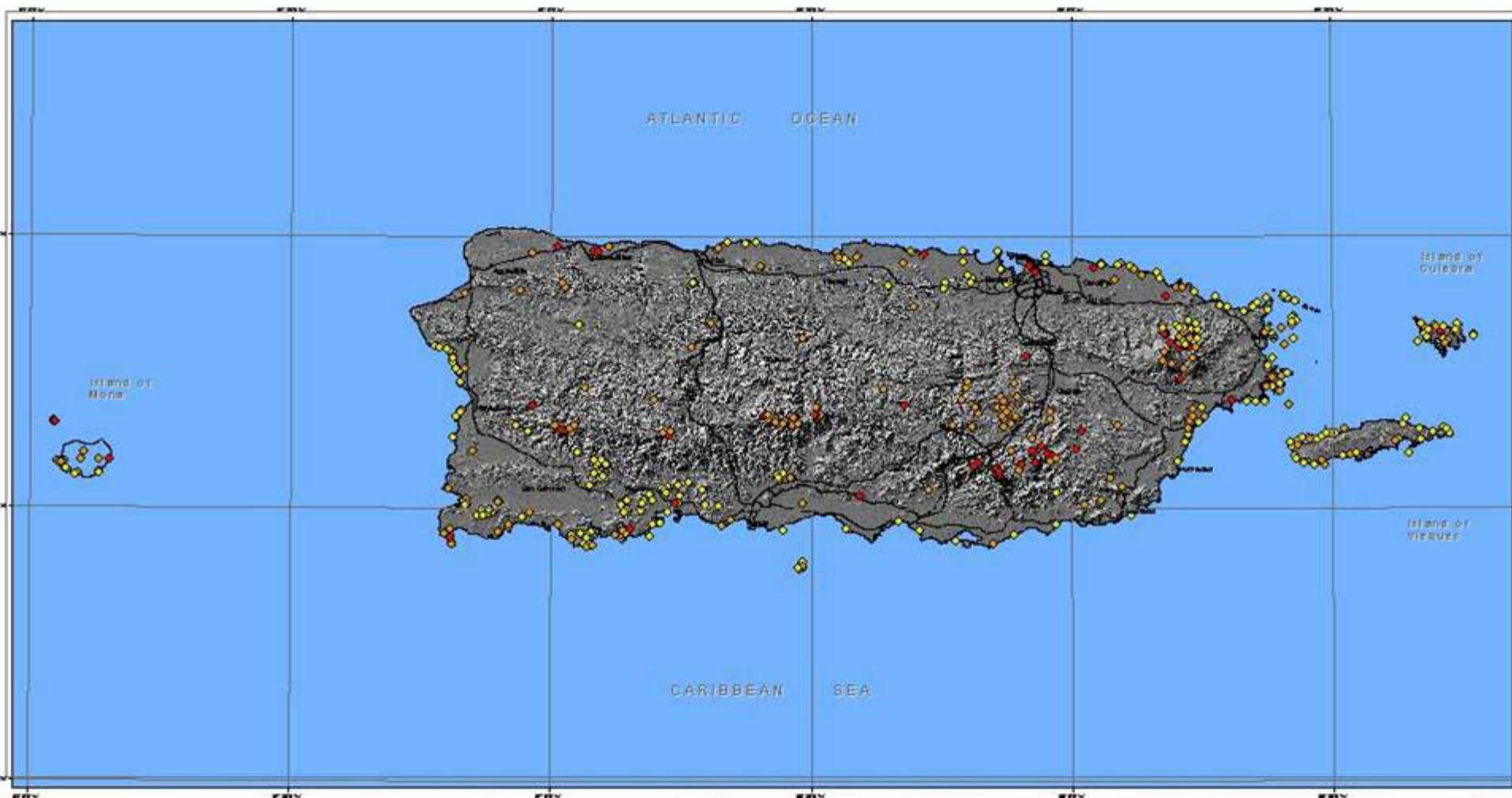
Plant Element Occurrences

G-RANK

- 01
- 02
- 03



Animal Element Occurrences by G-Rank



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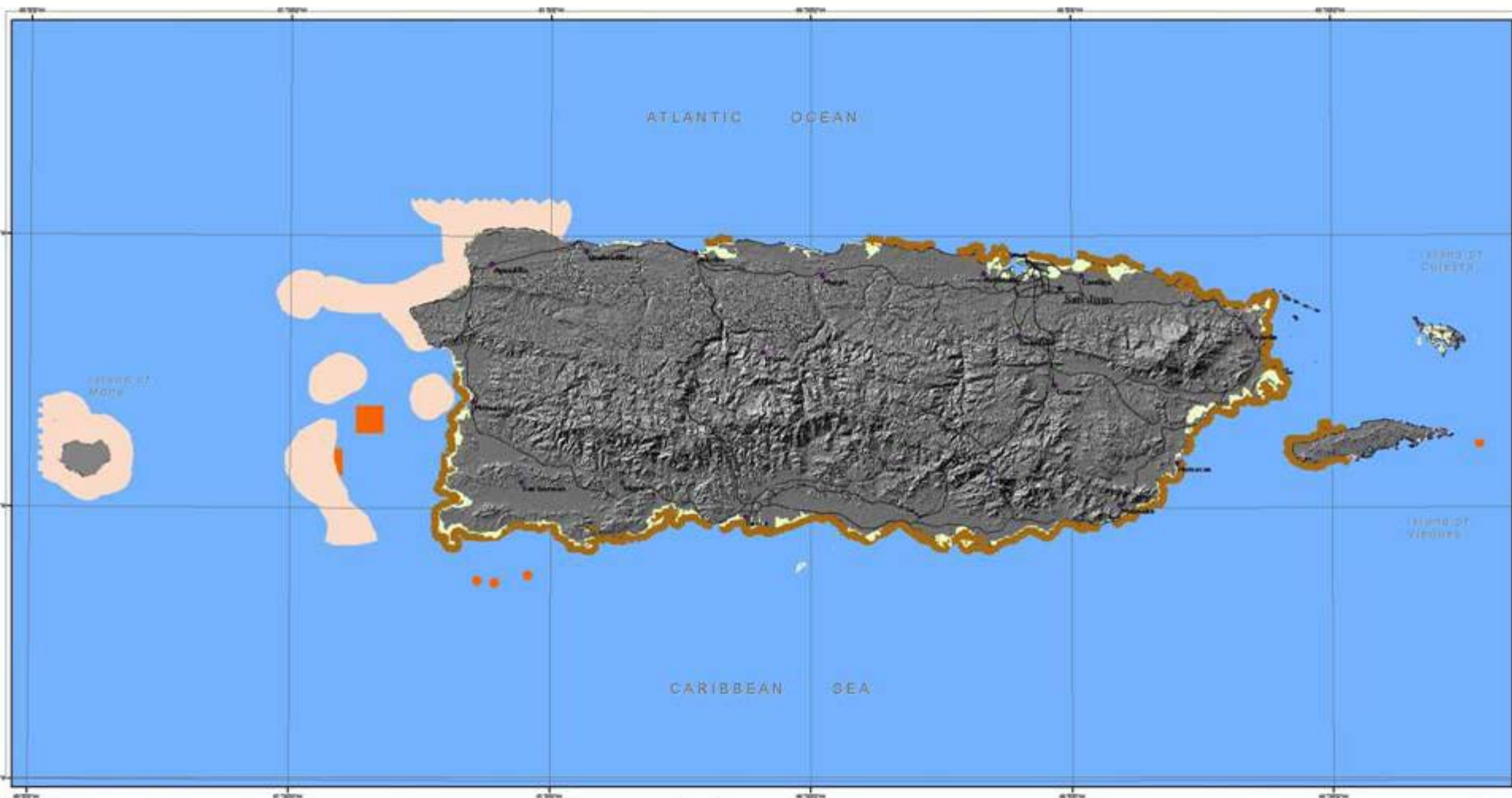
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Densities of Marine Species



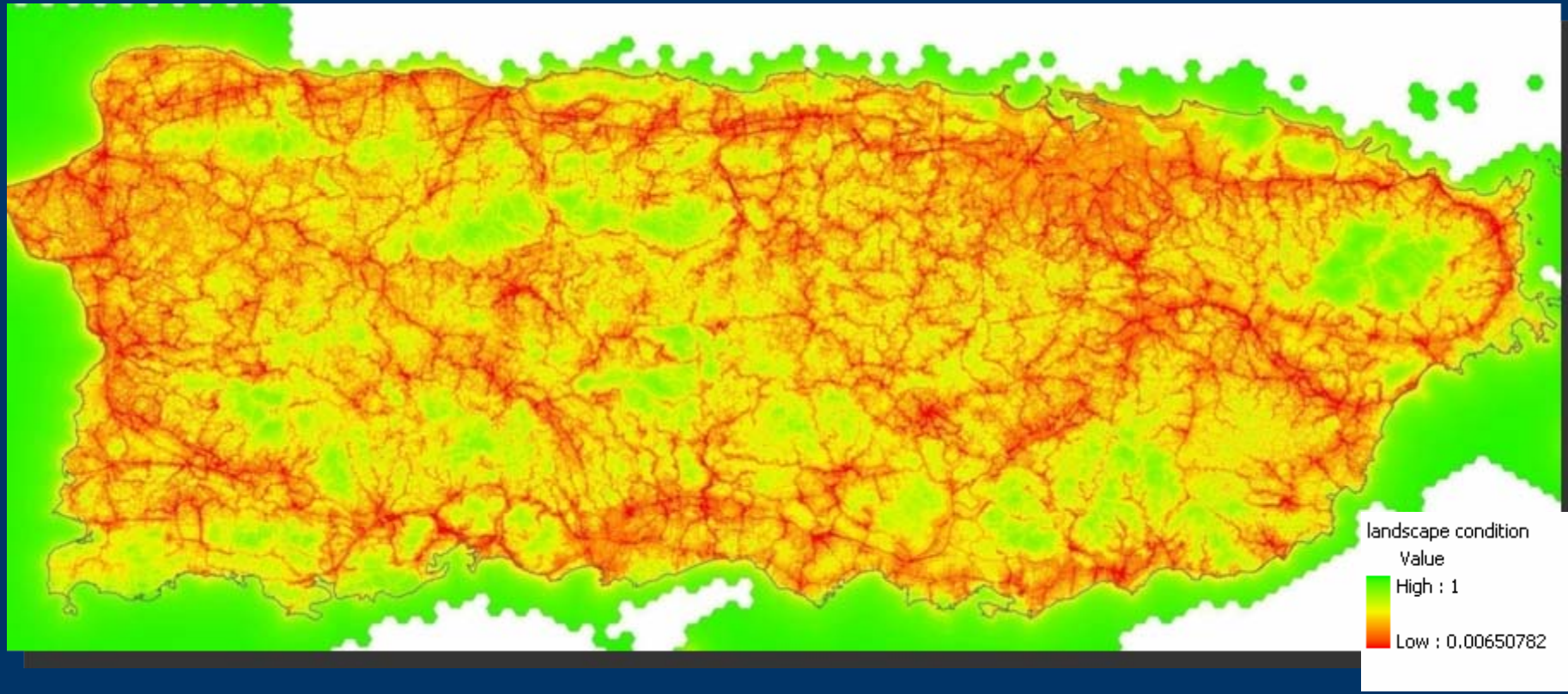
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Marine Species

- | | |
|--|--|
|  Pelicans |  Dermochelys Nest |
|  Whales |  Chelonia Nest |
|  Eretmochelys Nest |  Manatee |
|  Spawning Aggregation Areas | |



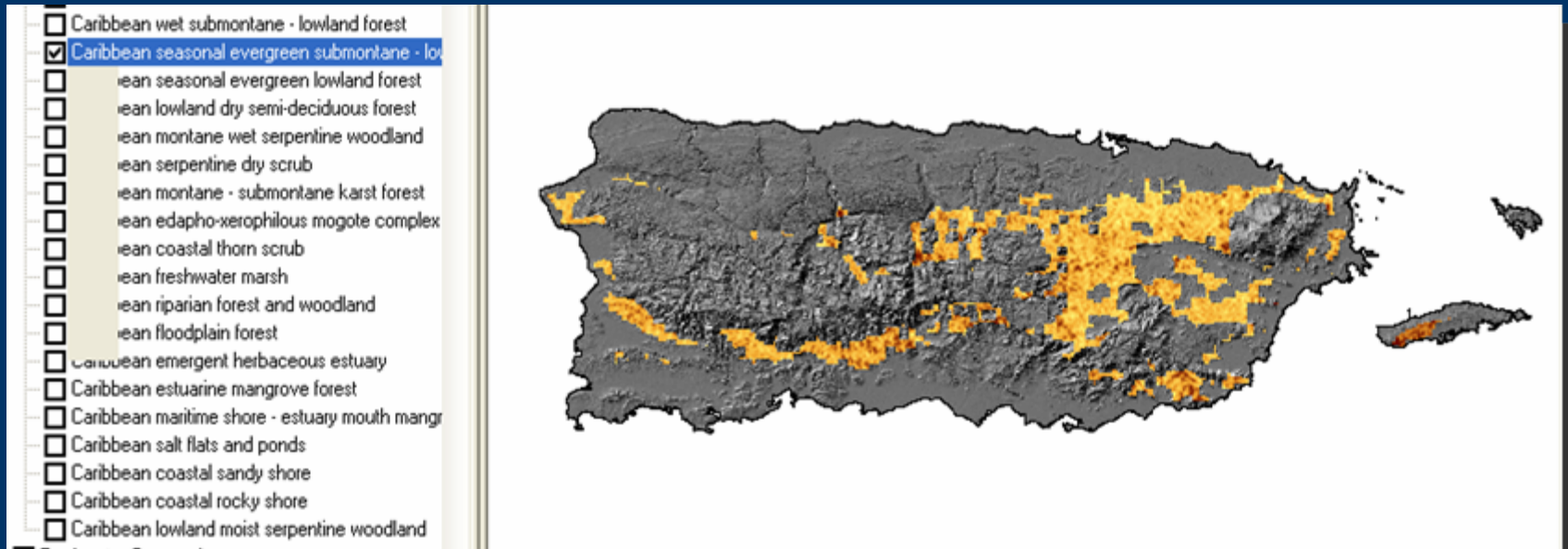
Vista Landscape Condition Model





Vista Element Conservation Value Layer

Map and specify conservation requirements for elements including a model of current condition





Stating Goals or Desired
Conditions

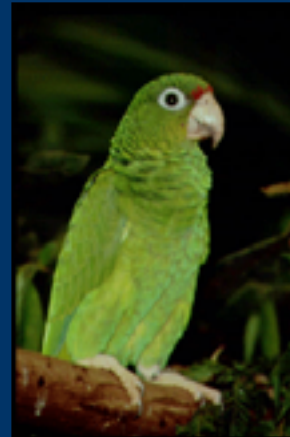
“Avoid High Value Places”

“No Net Loss”

“Abate Threat X Y & Z”

Representation Goals

as measurable expressions
of societal values.

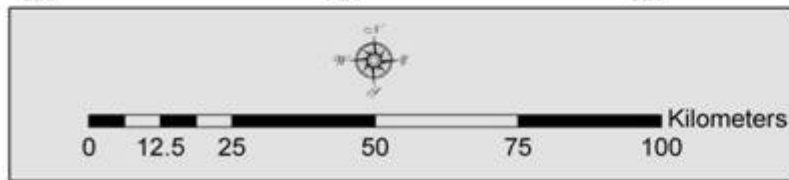
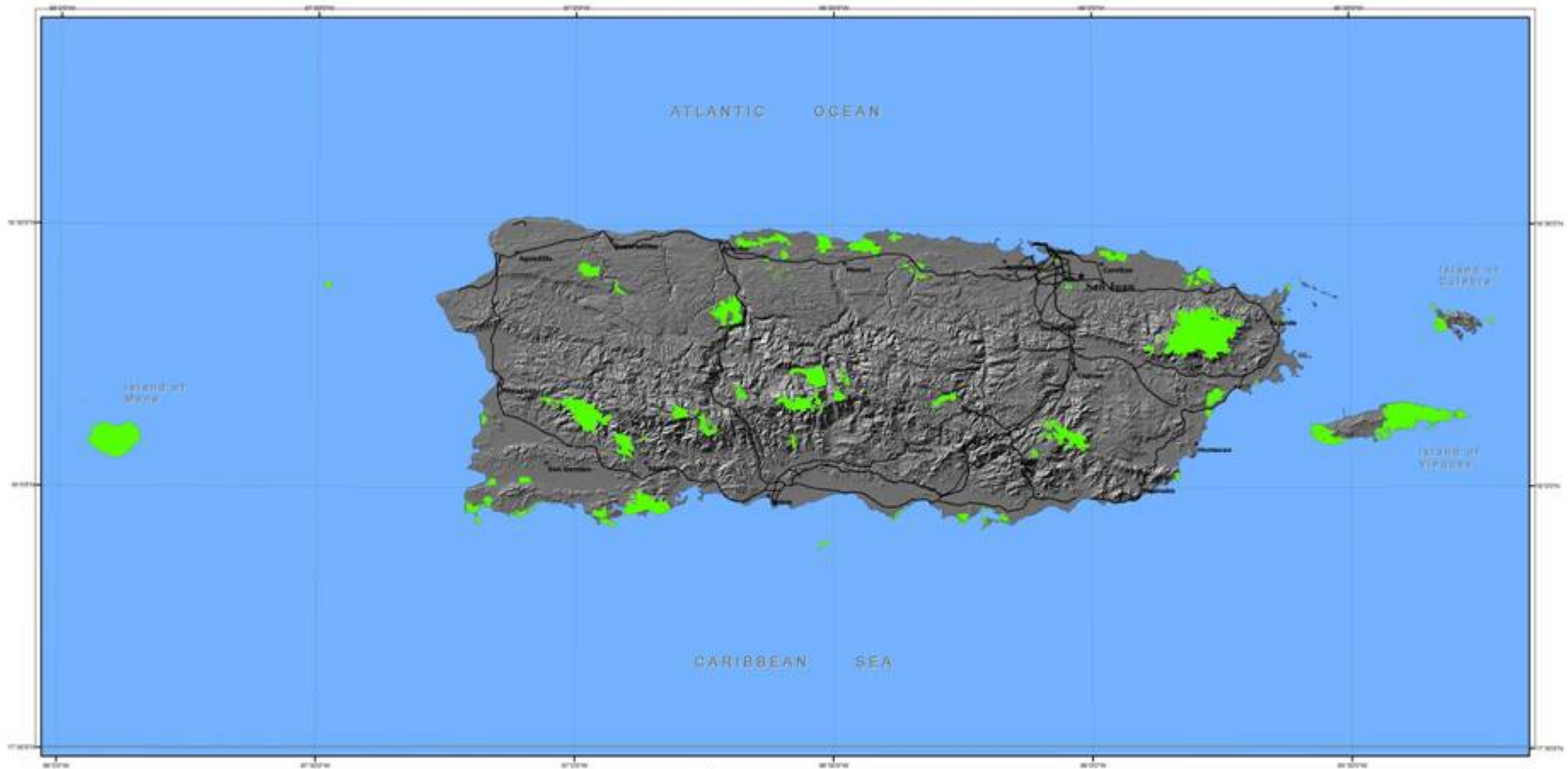




Defining Baseline Scenario

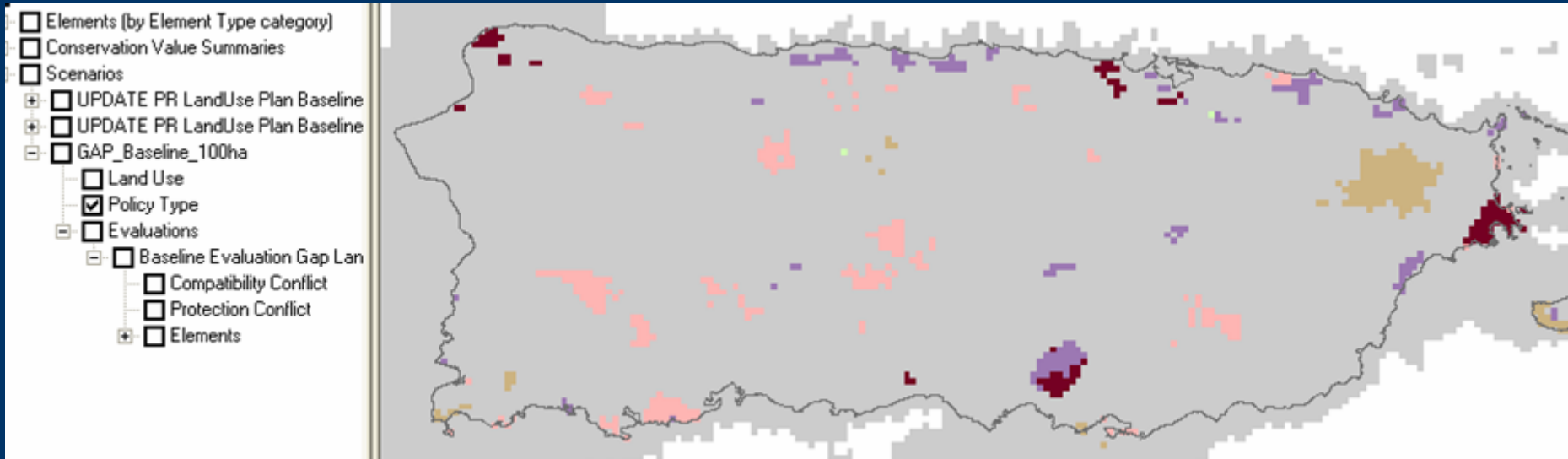
- Use Vista to combine:
 - Land use & conservation use
 - Management practices
 - Infrastructure
 - Policy mechanisms

Terrestrial Protected Areas

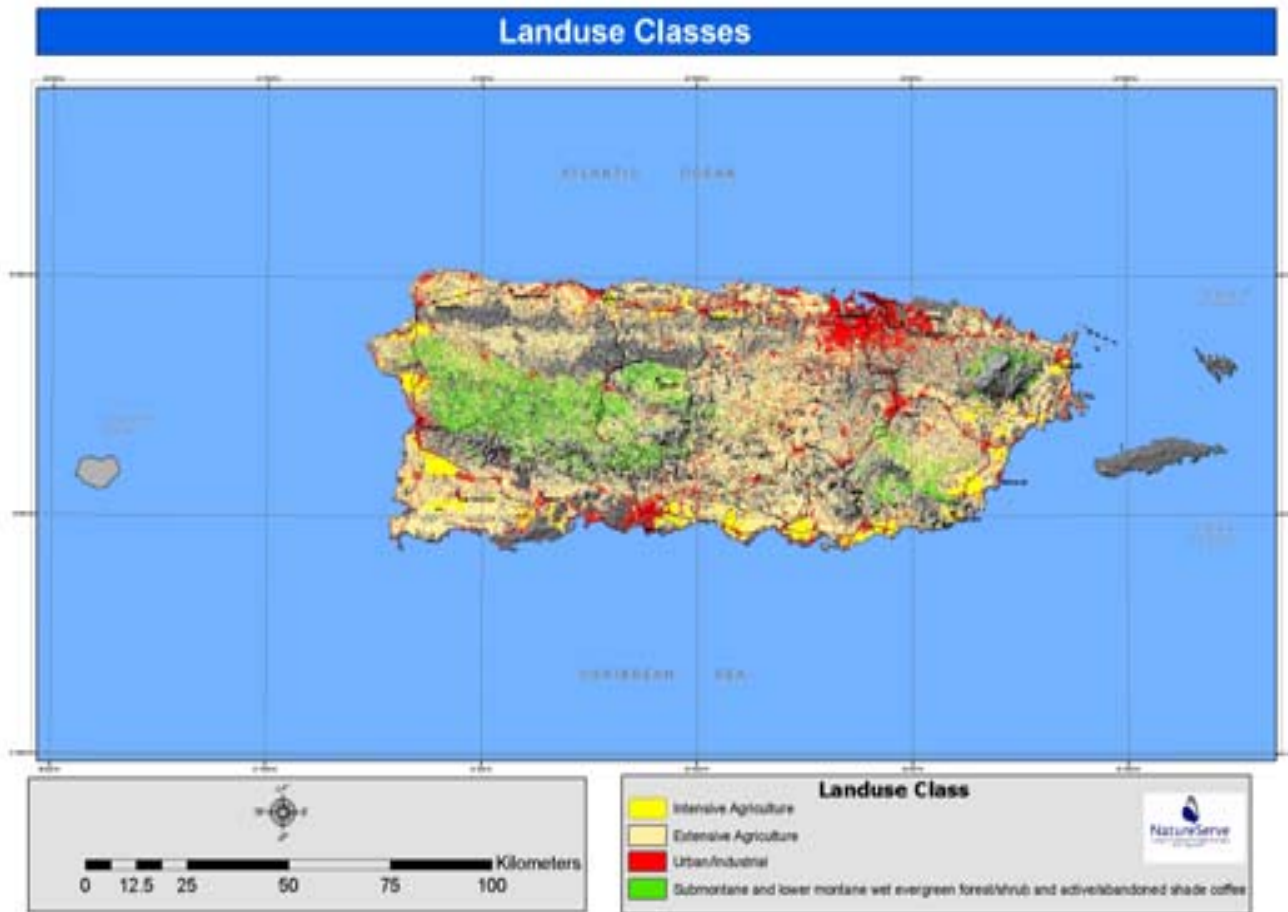


Vista Policy Type Scenario

Policy mechanisms characterized using GAP stewardship, most is currently unknown & assumed at risk



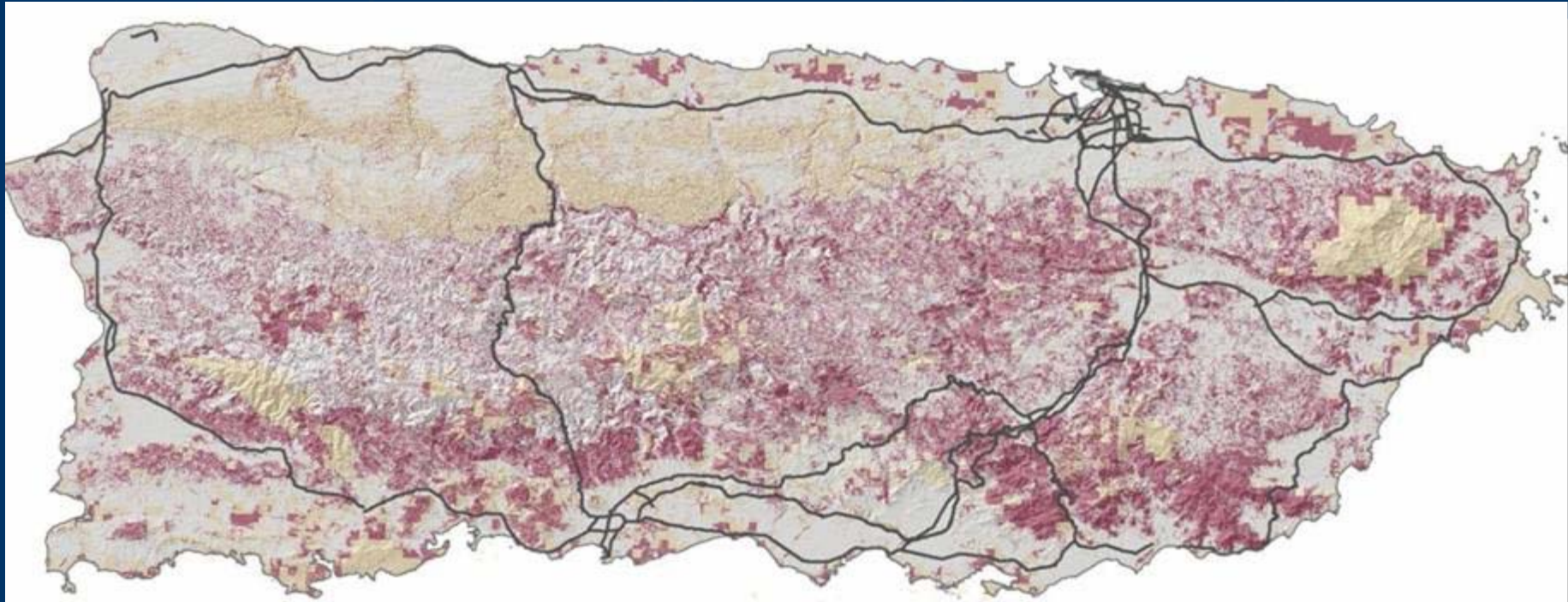
Vista Land Use Type Scenario



Land uses of varying intensity extend over ~ 60% of the land area of Puerto Rico



Baseline Scenario Evaluation



Red = conflict in use and/or underlying policy

Evaluation Reports

Overall Scenario Performance

All Elements (302 Total)

	Goals Met For	% of Goals Met	Goals Unmet For	% of Goals Unmet
Protected and Compatible	96 elements	31.79%	206	68.21%
Compatible	183 elements	60.6%	119	39.4%

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Goal Performance by Element Type

Summary

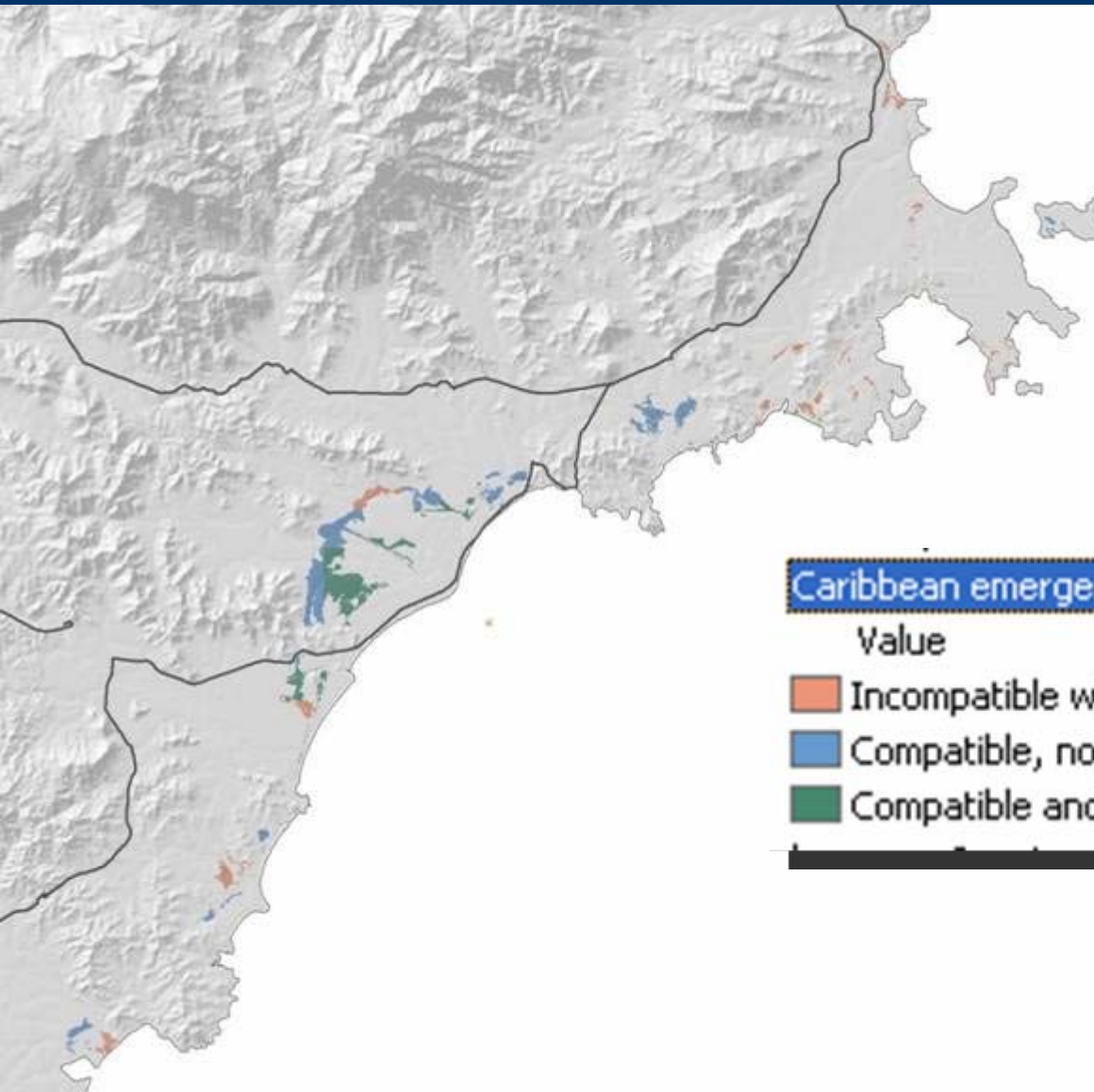
Name	Protected and Compatible Goal Met For	Goal Unmet For	Compatible Goal Met For	Goal Unmet For
Terrestrial Ecological System (33 elements)	12 elements (36.36%)	21 elements (63.64%)	25 elements (75.76%)	8 elements (24.24%)
Freshwater Community (23 elements)	2 elements (8.7%)	21 elements (91.3%)	22 elements (95.65%)	1 elements (4.35%)
Mammal (4 elements)	2 elements (50%)	2 elements (50%)	2 elements (50%)	2 elements (50%)
Bird (22 elements)	8 elements (36.36%)	14 elements (63.64%)	11 elements (50%)	11 elements (50%)
Reptile (13 elements)	3 elements (23.08%)	10 elements (76.92%)	4 elements (30.77%)	9 elements (69.23%)
Amphibian (12 elements)	7 elements (58.33%)	5 elements (41.67%)	8 elements (66.67%)	4 elements (33.33%)
Vascular Plant (195 elements)	62 elements (31.79%)	133 elements (68.21%)	111 elements (56.92%)	84 elements (43.08%)

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Terrestrial Ecological System (33 elements)

Name	Distribution Area		Protected and Compatible				Compatible			
	(hectares)	Occs	Goal	Met (hectares)	Occs	Percent of goal	Goal Met (hectares)	Occs	Percent of goal	
Caribbean wet montane forest- Sierra Palm alliance	11,965.95	1	2,481 hectares	Y 4,151.52	1	167.33%	Y 9,589.14	1	386.5%	
Caribbean wet montane forest - Palo Colorado alliance	3,713.49	1	762 hectares	Y 3,577.32	1	469.46%	Y 3,713.13	1	487.29%	
Caribbean seasonal evergreen submontane-lowland forest (young secondary)	97,270.47	1	10,862 hectares	N 1,092.87	1	10.06%	Y 88,590.6	1	815.6%	
Caribbean wet submontane lowland forest (young secondary)	1,877.22	1	9,482 hectares	N 73.44	1	0.77%	N 1,795.86	1	18.94%	
Caribbean montane submontane karst forest (young secondary)	15,690.96	1	0 hectares	Y 235.26	1	100%	Y 7,782.57	1	100%	
Caribbean montane wet serpentine woodland (young secondary)	1,001.25	1	0 hectares	Y 573.3	1	100%	Y 937.08	1	100%	
Caribbean lowland moist serpentine woodland (young secondary)	1,951.38	1	0 hectares	Y 943.56	1	100%	Y 1,757.7	1	100%	
Caribbean lowland dry semideciduous forest (young secondary)	19,810.44	1	7,283 hectares	N 2,025.63	1	27.81%	Y 11,030.67	1	151.46%	
Caribbean lowland dry riparian woodland and forest	1,231.2	1	1,229 hectares	N 93.6	1	7.62%	N 545.4	1	44.38%	
Caribbean lowland dry limestone semideciduous forest (young secondary)	3,919.32	1	0 hectares	Y 142.38	1	100%	Y 2,272.59	1	100%	
Caribbean lowland dry limestone semideciduous forest	10,679.4	1	8,500 hectares	N 3,058.74	1	35.99%	Y 8,894.97	1	104.65%	
Caribbean floodplain forest (young secondary)	11,768.58	1	0 hectares	Y 436.5	1	100%	Y 4,831.02	1	100%	
Caribbean coastal dry evergreen forest	1,002.78	1	196 hectares	N 160.92	1	82.1%	Y 841.95	1	429.57%	
Caribbean lowland moist serpentine woodland	1,850.76	1	1,044 hectares	N 523.26	1	50.12%	Y 1,498.05	1	143.49%	
Caribbean coastal rocky shore	389.52	1	89 hectares	N 73.71	1	82.82%	Y 120.42	1	135.3%	
Caribbean coastal sandy shore	1,229.49	1	1,237 hectares	N 165.15	1	13.35%	N 463.5	1	37.47%	
Caribbean salt flats and ponds	1,495.98	1	432 hectares	N 323.1	1	74.79%	Y 741.78	1	171.71%	
Caribbean maritime shore - estuary mouth mangrove	8,721.27	1	6,512 hectares	N 2,150.37	1	33.02%	N 4,755.78	1	73.03%	
Caribbean emergent herbaceous estuary	5,741.55	1	3,083 hectares	N 1,206.63	1	39.14%	Y 3,430.35	1	111.27%	
Caribbean floodplain forest	3,925.17	1	3,151 hectares	N 290.34	1	9.21%	N 2,122.29	1	67.35%	
Caribbean riparian forest and woodland	453.24	1	0 hectares	Y 8.01	1	100%	Y 193.14	1	100%	
Caribbean freshwater marsh	19,317.69	1	2,843 hectares	N 910.35	1	32.02%	Y 10,338.03	1	363.63%	
Caribbean coastal thorn scrub	17,670.87	1	3,600 hectares	Y 5,043.69	1	140.1%	Y 11,365.74	1	315.72%	
Caribbean edapho-xerophilous mogote complex	10,360.35	1	15,268 hectares	N 352.98	1	2.31%	N 5,538.33	1	36.27%	




Single Element Evaluation



Vista Output for
Caribbean Emergent
Herbaceous Estuary Type
in SE Puerto Rico

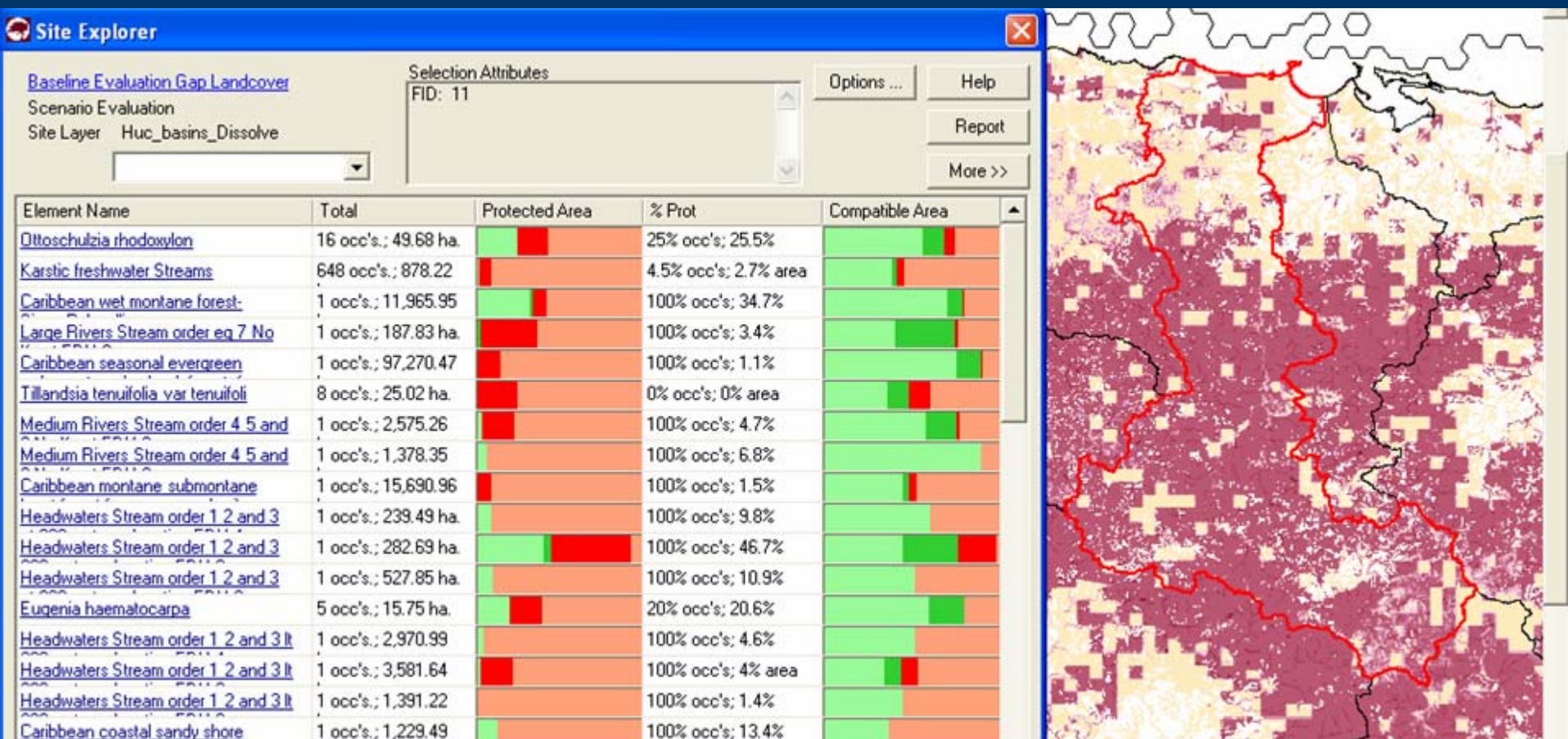
Caribbean emergent herbaceous estuary-Baseline Evaluation

Value

-  Incompatible with Land Use
-  Compatible, not Protected
-  Compatible and Protected

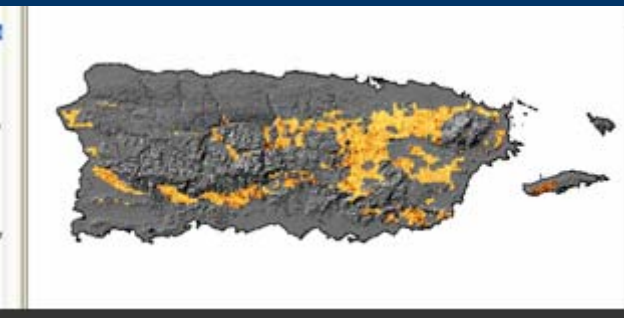
Vista Site Explorer

Example: Good compatibility of current land use but lack of goal contribution from unreliable conservation policy indicating threat/risk for future



Vista Scenario Evaluation Process

Element min size & Conservation Goals



Element Distribution

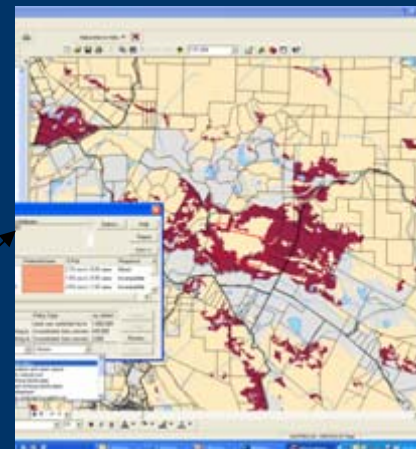
Name	Goal
Historic Sites	0 sq. meters
Important Agriculture	0 sq. meters
Viewsheds	0 sq. meters
Mediterranean California Dry-Mesic Mixed Conifer Forest and Woodlands	80% of sq. meters
Mesic Serpentine Chapparral	90% of sq. meters
Napa Western Flax	100% of Occurrence
Central Valley Mixed Oak Savanna	100% of sq. meters
Mesic Serpentine Woodland and Chapparral	90% of sq. meters
Northwestern Pond Turtle	80% of Occurrences
California Annual Grasslands Alliance	<default>
California Coast Ranges Cliff and Canyon	80% of sq. meters

Conservation Goal: Percent

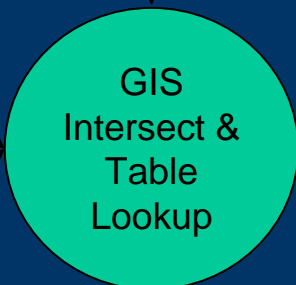
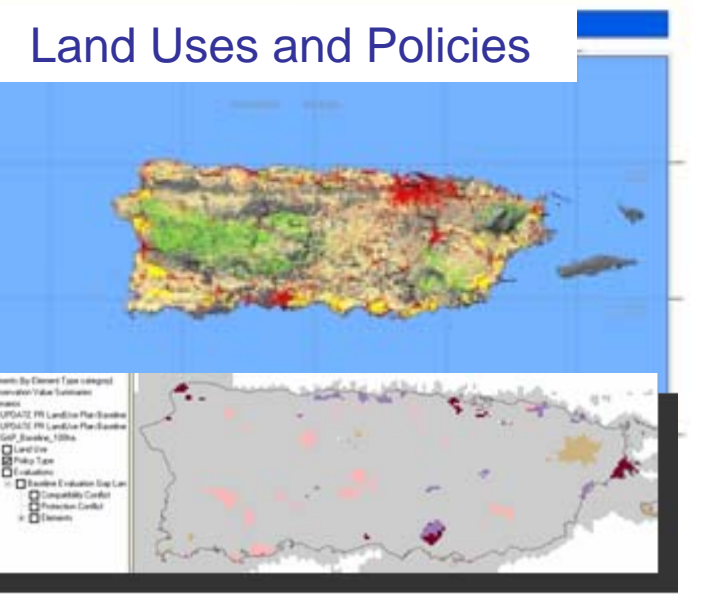
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Evaluation Maps



Land Uses and Policies



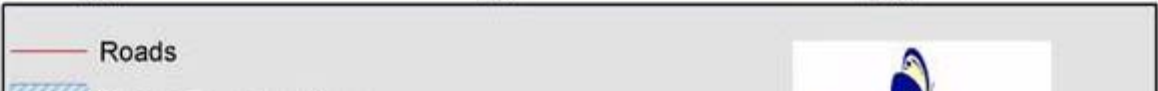
Goal Performance by Element						
Elements (14 elements)						
Name	Distribution		Projected and Compatible			
	Area (acres)	Docs	Goal Met (acres)	Docs	Percent of goal	
Wetlands	4,134.7	428	40 percent of area	1,910.2	145	15.52%
Watershed: Priorities 4-2	7,095.1	167	40 percent of area	3,121.2	58	109.93%
Watershed: Priority 2	4,832.5	84	60 percent of area	1,893.2	24	65.32%
Watershed: Priority 2	224	40	70 percent of area	30.3	7	19.32%
woodsnak	4,391.1	297	50 percent of area	1,257.2	34	67.27%

Evaluation Report

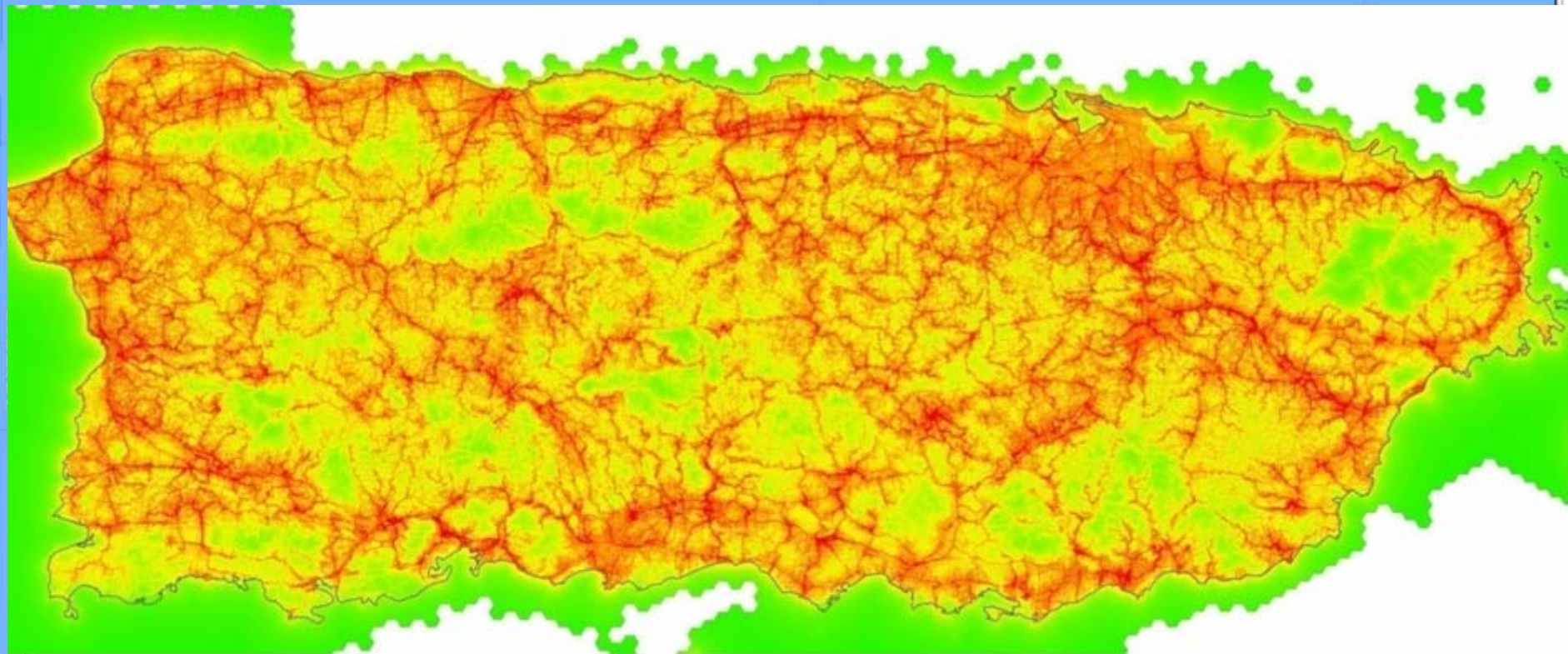
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Element Response to Land Use

Spatial Analysis for Efficient Scenario Generation using Marxan



Marine and Terrestrial Cost



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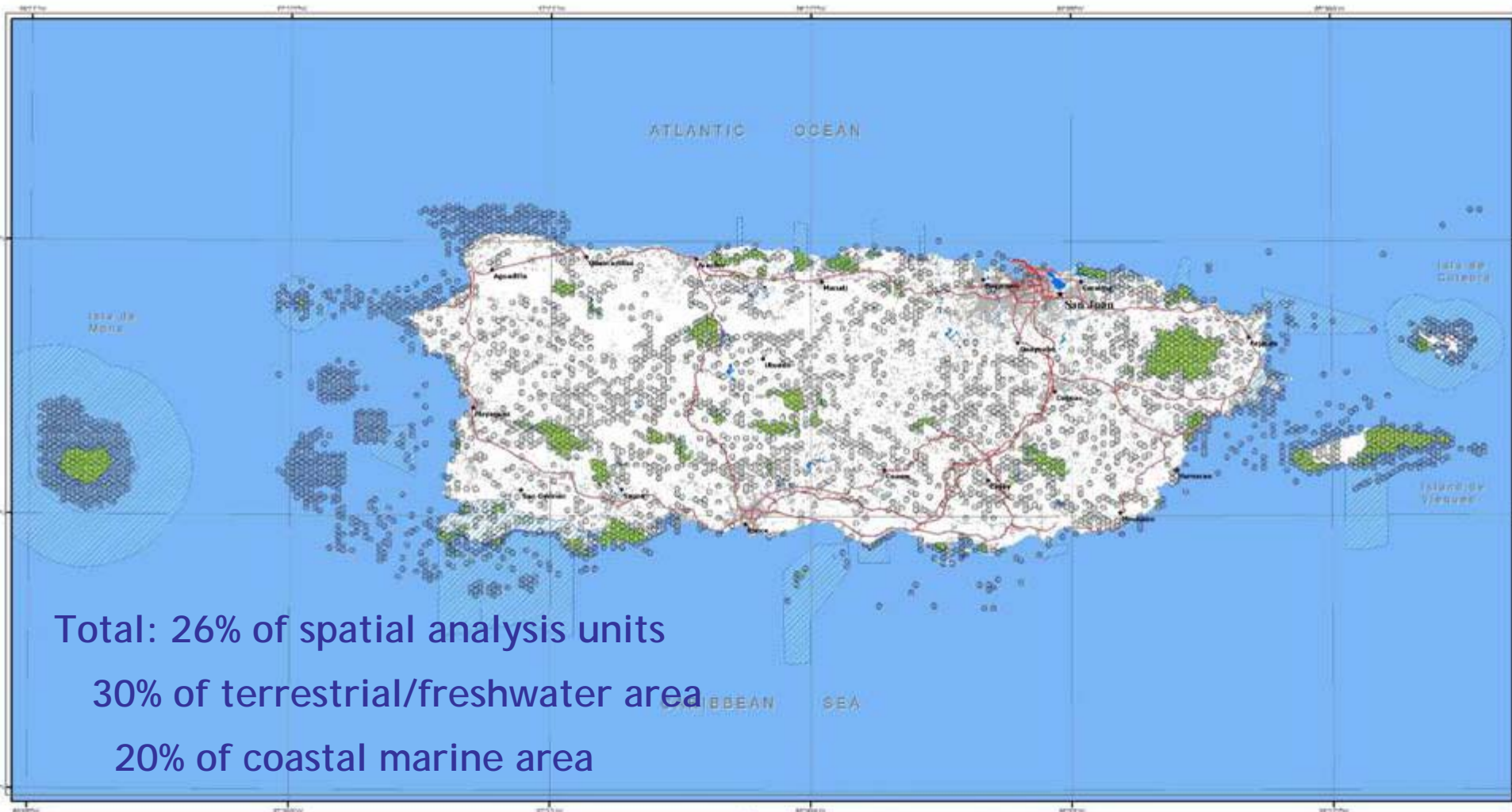
— Roads

Cost Values



Goal for terrestrial ecosystems: 10% of historical extent, managed areas “locked in”

Scenario 3



Total: 26% of spatial analysis units
30% of terrestrial/freshwater area
20% of coastal marine area



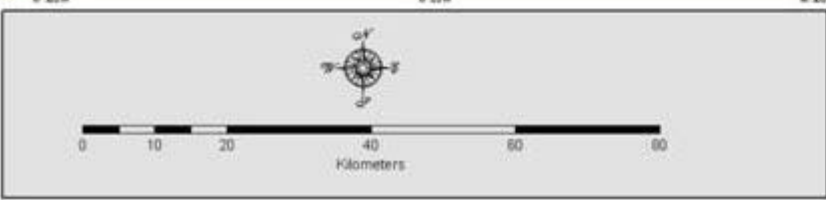
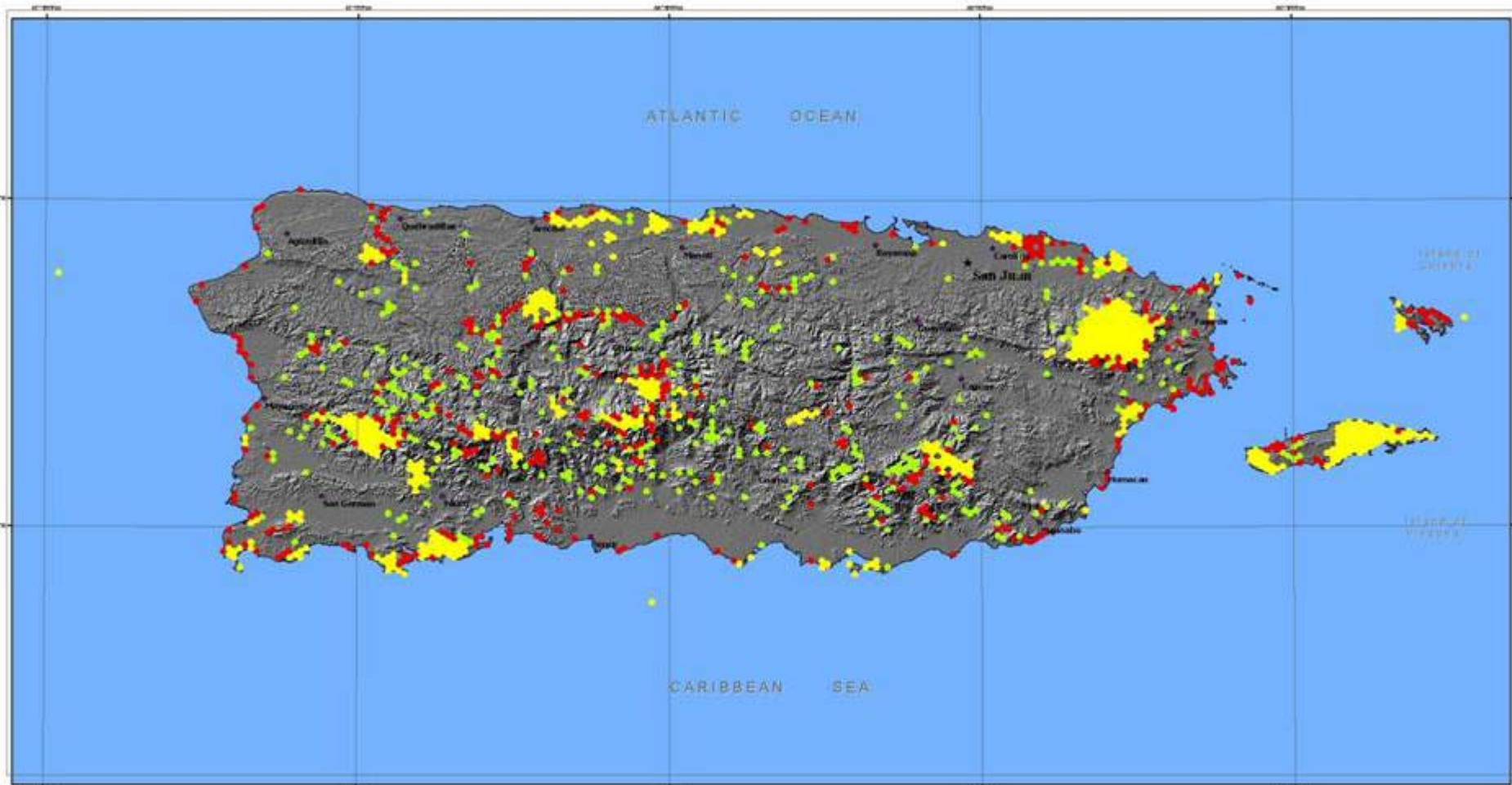
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Urban areas
'locked-out' of
solution

- Roads
- Marine Protected Areas
- Terrestrial Protected Areas
- Selected Hexagons



Priority Areas for Conservation



Legend

- Priority 1 Areas
- Priority 2 Areas
- Existing Protected Areas



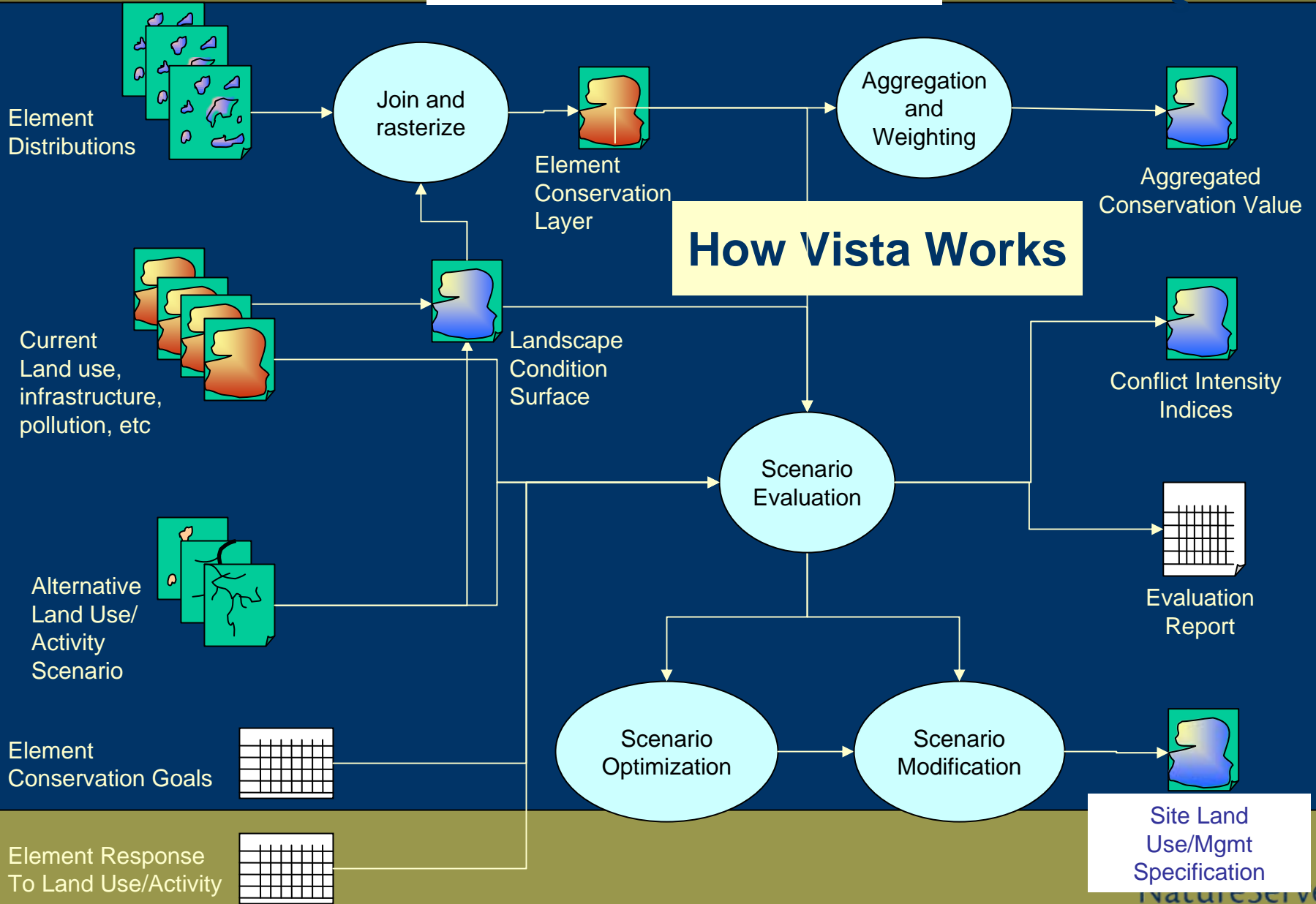
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Data & Expert Knowledge Inputs

Intermediate Processes & Products

Output





Wrap up

- Acknowledgements: IITF Puerto Rico GAP Project & *Patrimonio* (DRNA) for data; Conservation Trust for funding
- More information:
 - Natureserve.org/vista: read about, download Vista
 - Ebmtools.org: search for dozens of tools for ecosystem-based management
 - patrick_crist@natureserve.org for application information
 - Pat_comer@natureserve.org



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The Conservation Registry

Integrating on-the-ground
conservation

Gina LaRocco
Defenders of Wildlife

Registry Overview:

- What is the registry?
- Who is involved?
- Why is it necessary?
- How will it work?
- How can you help?



What is the Registry?

- Online, centralized database
- Records, tracks and maps conservation actions across the landscape
- User-friendly format for data entry and retrieval

Conservation Action:

- Enhance Conservation Status
- Habitat Restoration and Management
- Monitoring, Education and Research



Who is involved?

- Users
 - Landowners
 - Land trusts
 - Forest industry
 - Federal, state and local agencies
 - Policy makers
 - Conservation organizations
 - Hunting, fishing and recreation groups
 - Interested public

- Partners

- Benjamin Hammett, Phd
- Bonneville Power Administration
- Bureau of Land Management (Oregon)
- Clean Water Services
- Defenders of Wildlife
- Doris Duke Charitable Foundation
- Idaho Department of Fish & Game
- Metro Regional Government
- John Miller, Wildwood / Mahonia, Inc.
- Nature Serve
- Northwest Habitat Institute
- Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife
- Oregon Department of Forestry
- Oregon Department of Geology and Mineral Industries
- Oregon Department of Parks and

- Partners (cont.)

- Oregon Forest Resources Institute
- Oregon Institute for Natural Resources
- Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board
- Samuel S. Johnson Foundation
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- U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service
- U.S. Geological Survey
- University of Idaho
- Washington Biodiversity Council
- Washington Department of Fish & Wildlife
- Washington Interagency Committee for Outdoor Recreation/ Salmon Recovery Funding Board
- Washington Interagency Committee—Natural Resource Information Portal
- Wessinger Foundation

Why is it necessary?

- State Wildlife Action Plans
 - Need for a tool to track and monitor conservation actions
 - Stakeholder group working with Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife



Why is it necessary? (cont.)

- Lack of centralized location for tracking conservation actions
- Impossible to determine
 - Where actions are taking place
 - If actions match priorities
- Missed opportunities for collaboration among



How will it work?

- Initial pilot in Idaho, Washington and Oregon
- National expansion following initial launch
- State and organization-specific portals for content, data and user administration

Design:

- Balance between simplicity and precision
- User-friendly interface for less technical users, but also a powerful analytic tool for professionals



Design: (cont.)

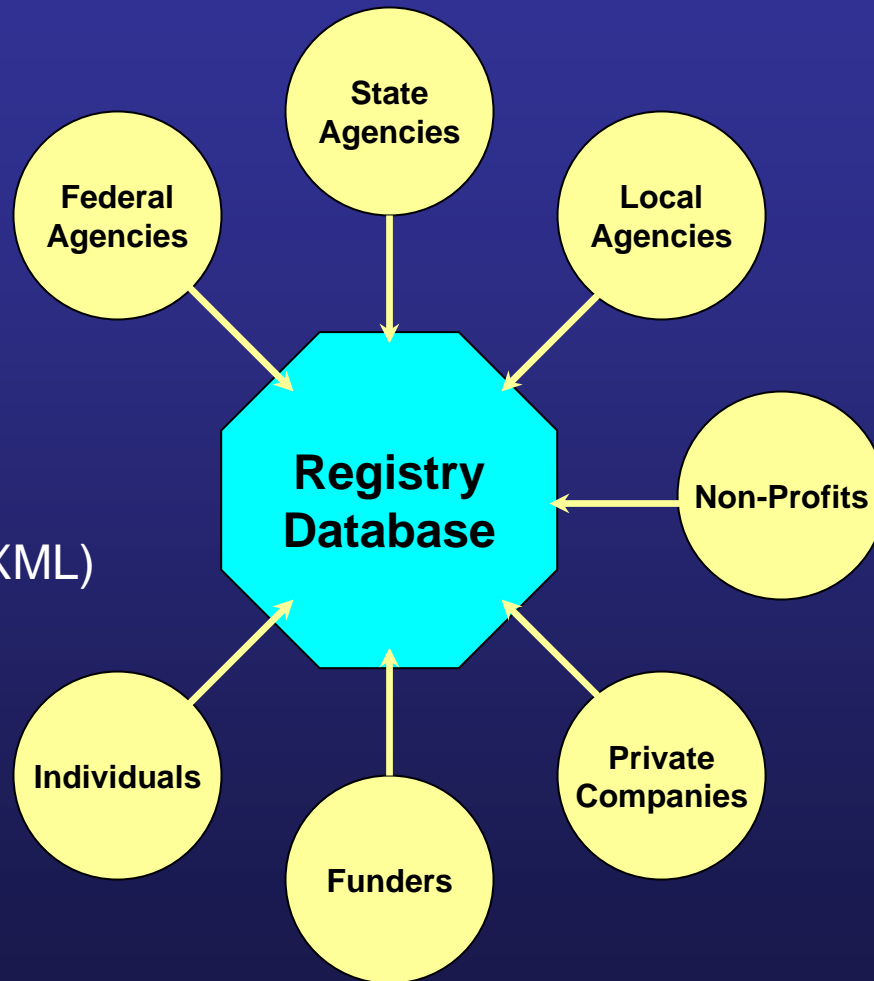
- Emphasis on ease of use
 - Turbo-tax style data entry
 - Google Maps platform
- Integration/linkage with other databases
- Uses NatureServe habitat and species information



Project Entry

Project Entry Methods

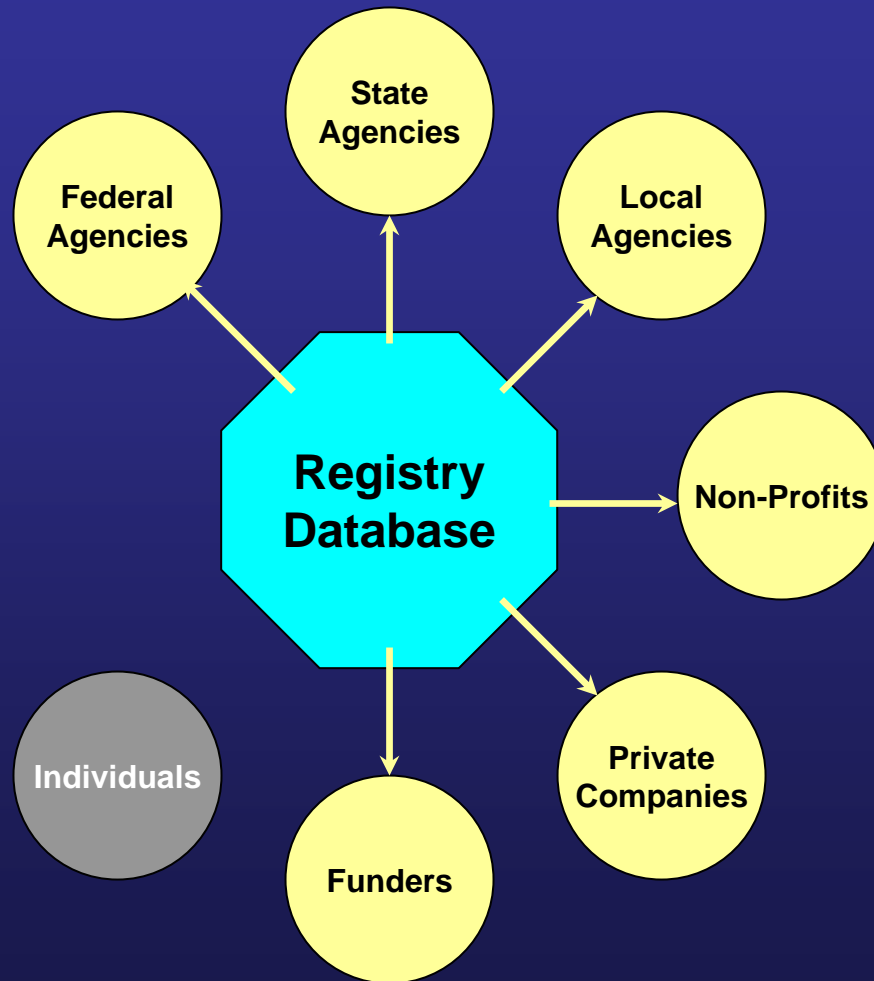
- Manual (typed input)
- Automated (data sharing via XML)



Registry Portals

Portal Features

- Unique web address
- Filtered database content
- Branded look and feel
- Additional customization

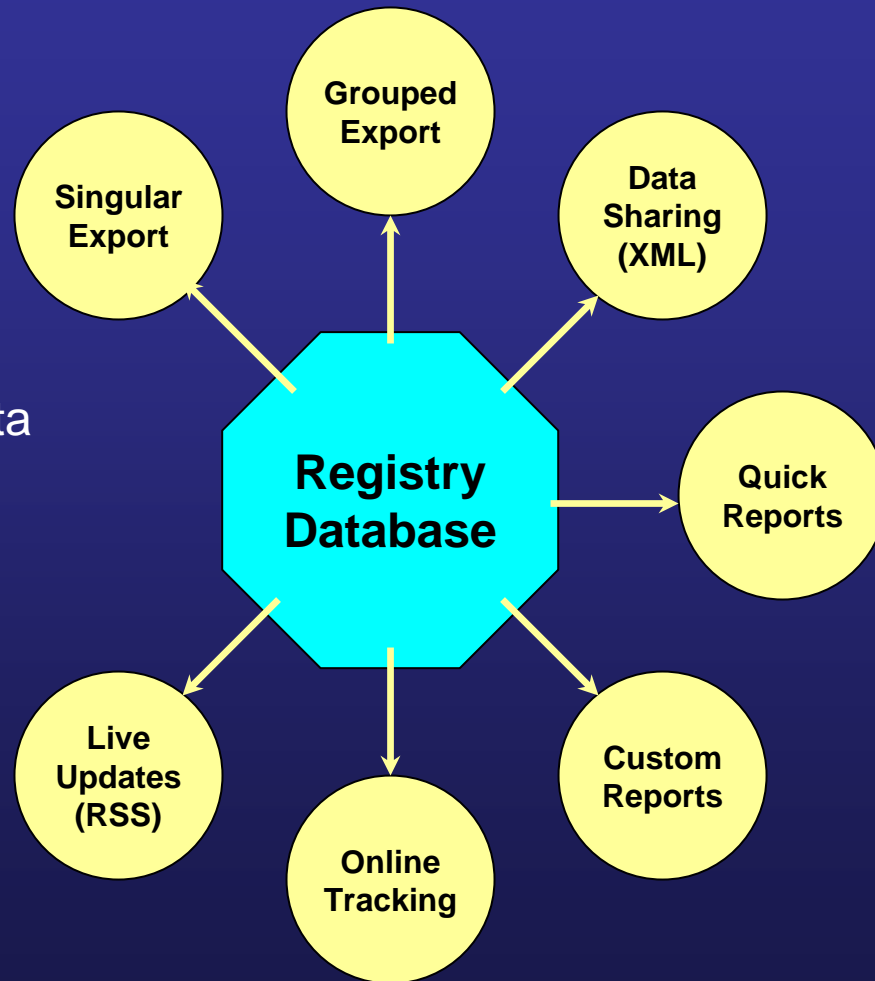


Example Web Address:
<http://landtrust.conservancyregistry.org>

Sharing and Tracking

Open System

- Registry tools or extracted data
- Single or grouped projects
- Simple and complex reports
- Data, images, shape files
- Access to custom map layers



How can you help?

- Funding
- Volunteer as beta testers
- Share your data on conservation actions
- Outreach



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Overview web site:

www.conservationregistry.org



Demo Site

- Representative data and functionality
- Available throughout development
- <http://demo.conservationregistry.org>
- Username:
demo@conservationregistry.org
- Password: demo

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- U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
- Oregon State University

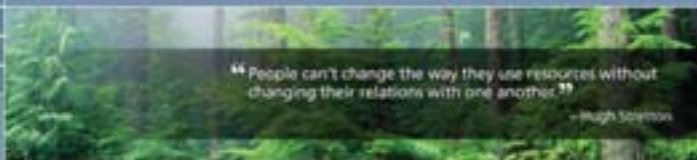
Projects in Need

- Substance 00
- Project 010
- Element 0000010

Quick Search

View projects of specific types or across various criteria.

- Species Report
- Public Acquisition and Management
- Land Conservation Status
- Historical, Cultural and Archaeological

All Tools [What's New?](#)

Welcome to the Conservation Registry

The Registry is a free, online database that records, tracks and maps conservation actions across the landscape. The Registry provides a way to share information about conservation activities, show the volume of conservation investments underway and help users better determine how those investments match conservation priorities.

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About The Conservation Registry

The concept of the Registry emerged from the need to understand the scope of conservation activities across the landscape and to identify areas where landowners and organizations can generate the greatest strategic benefits for fish and wildlife.

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> Mapping

About Project Mapping

Mapping allows anyone to locate geographic areas to view current projects in a variety of map views: political, topographical, satellite, etc. When entering project data, registered users can use drawing tools within the map view to depict project locations with points, lines or polygons.

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> Registry Announcements

Welcome to the Registry Demo

This demonstration version of the Conservation Registry is provided to simulate how the Registry will perform while programming for the beta launch continues. Please note that not all features are live and project data is for example purposes only. Additional features and live data will be made available soon.

Explore these features of the Registry Demo

Search: We've pre-populated the search box for you. Click the arrow to submit and you'll be shown representative search results.

Browse: Click "Browse by Maps" or "Browse by Keywords" to see how these features will function.

Project: Click "Add a Project" to see how a user will view their project data prior to submission or during editing.

My Registry: Click "My Registry" to view how users will be able to manage Registry data from their personal dashboard.

Explore on Your Own: Click around! If you come across an exciting feature of the Demo, you'll see a description of how that feature will perform in planned content.

We hope you are pleased with the direction the Registry is taking and will welcome your comments during our beta testing phase. If you'd like to be considered as a beta tester, please [click here](#).

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Subscribe to the RSS feed for this search

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- Exemption Project, 2006, 2006

Search Results

New Search

You searched for: Crystal Creek

There are 4 projects that match your search. Click the title of a project to view it in detail.

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Crystal Creek Conservation Easement

Location: [Fortland, OR](#) Primary contact: [Sue, Steve](#) Status: Complete

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KEYWORD TOOLS

Keyword Selections

- All Projects (1796) (remove)
- Biodiversity (9) (remove)
- Salmon (7) (remove)
- Climate (6) (remove)

Clear this keyword path

Add this keyword path as a "Quick Search" in My Registry
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RECENTLY VIEWED

- Crystal Creek Conservation Easement
- Example Project Title Two

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Browse by Keywords

Instructions

The following keywords are represented within the Registry and/or your specific search criteria. The number of projects tagged with each keyword appears in parentheses. Clicking on a keyword will present a new list of keywords that are present within the selected keyword, narrowing results each time you select additional keywords. The resulting path is presented in Keyword Tools to the left.

Search for keyword: Suggestions: [biodiversity](#), [biodiversity_partners](#), [biofuel](#)30 Most Popular: [Alphabetical order](#) | [Sort by occurrence \(high to low\)](#) | [Show all \(3,987\)](#)

[biodiversity](#) (9), [botanical garden](#) (1), [botany](#) (4), [buffer zones](#) (1), [coastal plain](#) (2), [conservation](#) (14), [conservation_easement](#) (1), [consulting](#) (1), [coral_reef](#) (1), [cuddles](#) (1), [database](#) (1), [dunes](#) (4), [ecological_inventory](#) (1), [ecological_restoration](#) (1), [ecological_risk_assessment](#) (1), [ecosystem_management](#) (1), [ecosystems](#) (7), [endangered_species](#) (2), [environmental](#) (1), [exotic_invasives](#) (7), [exotic_species](#) (1), [fire_ecology](#) (1), [floristics](#) (1), [foodbanks](#) (1), [forest](#) (1), [grasslands](#) (1), [greenhouse](#) (1), [greenway](#) (1), [groundwater](#) (1), [groundwatering](#) (1)

Results: 10 projects

Crystal Creek Conservation Easement

Location: [Portland, OR](#) Primary contact: [Ryan Shaw](#) Status: Complete

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Example Project Title Two

Location: [Portland, OR](#) Primary contact: [Ryan Shaw](#) Status: Complete

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Add a Project to the Registry

Wallowa Lake

Project Code: 11



Instructions

Sites for Wallowa Lake

Add a site

Editing: Habitat Restoration

Name: Approx. size:

Is the public allowed access to this site? Yes No

Stream Restoration

Delink all sites

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Project Entry Progress 0%

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- Land Use/cover
- Resources
- Goals & Targets
- Outcomes

Add a Project to the Registry

- General Contact Location **Actions** Resources Goals & Targets Outcomes

Waikona Lake

Project Code: 00

INSTRUCTIONS

Enter your data on other, non-project addressing WQ, and its associated design verification of factors of delta water flow, 10 year of water control, data related verification factors WQ and all other to be considered subsequent. This page must enter in registration in categories will use other data for input field number. Registered and associated individual use provided, user is able to edit and delete associated data from all sub-sections.

Indicates a required field.

Actions for Waikona Lake

Actions for water Habitat Restoration

What actions are being performed on the landscape? (select all that apply)

- Enhance conservation status [?] General 0%
 - Review property boundaries
 - Conservation easements
 - Land acquisition for conservation (easements, etc.)
 - Surrender of natural resource right (mining, timber, fishing, etc.)
 - Stewardship certification
 - Conservation plans and agreements
 - Natural area designation and zoning
 - Conservation mitigation banks
- Habitat restoration and management
 - Aquatic and riparian restoration and management
 - Improve fish passage
 - Bank stream restoration
 - Improve in-stream fish habitat
 - Maintain or create natural stream buffers
 - Manage sediment inputs
 - Plant native riparian vegetation
 - Reconnect stream headwaters
 - Increase the function of an existing wetland
 - Restore or re-establish wetland hydrology
 - Stabilize streambanks
 - Terrestrial habitat restoration and management
 - Species conservation and management
 - Invasive species control and management
 - Clean up and contamination management
 - Enhance stewardship on production lands (timber, ranch, farm)
 - Enhance stewardship in urban areas
- Monitoring, research, and education

Please provide additional details regarding your selected actions.

Action	How often	Action lead	Status (Start Date - End Date)
Conservation easement	90 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]
Bank Stream Restorations	4 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]
Improve in-stream fish habitat	4 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]
Maintain or create natural stream buffers	2 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]
Increase the function of an existing wetland	21 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]
Restore or re-establish wetland hydrology	4 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]
Stabilize streambanks	21 [None] [?]	000.action.lead	Completed [?] [?] [?]

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Other

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Wallowa Lake

Project Code: 55

Instructions

Did your project require or receive funding?

If it did, please indicate the source of funds, amounts and any other pertinent details. If you had multiple sources of funding, click **Add** in the blue bar.

If funding was not part of your project, please click **Continue**.

* Indicates a required field.

Direct Funding

Direct Funding Type	<input type="text" value="Grant"/>
Source	<input type="text" value="State"/>
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Agency	<input type="text" value="Oregon Watershed Enhancement Board"/>
Amount Received	<input type="text" value="45,000"/>
Year Received	<input type="text" value="2007"/>
Funding Status	<input type="text" value="Partially Funded"/>

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Wallowa Lake

Project Code: 33

Instructions

Please indicate all of the targeted habitats related to your project. In some instances, the selection box will reveal additional choices to further specify the habitat type. Please select all that apply.

Targeted Habitats for Wallowa Lake

Forests and Woodlands

[Expand All](#)

- Oak Woodlands
- Aspen Stands
- Mixed Hardwood-Conifer Forest or Woodland (Big Leaf Maple)
- Coastal Spruce, Port Orford Cedar or Redwood Forest
- Western Oregon Douglas-fir Hemlock Forest
- Silver Fir - Mountain Hemlock Montane Forest
- Subalpine Forests and Woodlands (Spruce-fir)
- Mixed Conifer (Grand fir/White fir/Douglas fir/Pine) Forests
- Siskiyou Mixed Conifer (Jeffrey pine, White fir, Shasta fir)
- Lodgepole Pine Forest and Woodland
- Ponderosa Pine Forest and Woodland
- Juniper Woodland and Savanna
- Aquatic
- Shrubs and Grasslands
- Wetlands and Riparian Habitats
 - Montane Riparian Forests and Shrublands
 - Coastal and Valley (Western Oregon) Lowland Riparian Forests and Shrublands
 - Interior (Eastern Oregon) Lowland and Foothill Riparian Woodlands and Shrublands
 - Marshes, Bogs and Emergent Wetlands
 - Forested or Shrub Wetlands and Swamps
- Special Types
- Human Habitats

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Wallowa Lake

Project Code: 55

Instructions

Please indicate all of the targeted species related to your project. Simply begin typing either the common or latin name of the species and you'll be presented with suggested species to select. If the species you are looking for is not suggested, continue typing and select **ADD** to add this species to your project.

If you targeted more than one species, simply click on **Add a species** to list additional species types.

Targeted Species for Wallowa Lake

If applicable, what species (animal or plant) are being targeted? (select all that apply)

Common name	Latin name	Action	
Canadian Lynx	<i>Lynx canadensis</i>	Restored/Protected	Edit Delete
Pygmy Rabbit	<i>Brachylagus</i>	Restored/Protected	Edit Delete
Fender's Blue Butterfly	<i>Icaricia icarioides fenderi</i>	Restored/Protected	Edit Delete
Bald Eagle	<i>Haliaeetus leucocephalus</i>	Restored/Protected	Edit Delete
Shorthead Sucker	<i>Chasmistes brevirostris</i>	Restored/Protected	Edit Delete

Adding a species

Species Name:

Matching results

Bog anemone (*Anemone oregana* var. *felix*)



(Be Smart About) Technology for Smart Conservation Planning

LTA Rally 2007
Larry Orman, Executive Director

Denver, Colorado
October 5, 2007

- Conservation planning tools are part of overall information technology for land trusts
- Success with tools is $f(\text{capacity} + \text{good strategy})$ -- choose tools that match your capacity
- Follow the 5 golden rules!
- Last, some cool tools

- Non-profit information and GIS technology support organization
- 10 staff, work with 100 groups per year on a client-consultant basis
- Extensive land trust experience, + created www.landtrustgis.org



www.greeninfo.org

Framing Your Overall Strategy

- Inventory your capacity
 - Human capital
 - Organizational culture
 - Technology in relation to goals, budget and people
- Define your technology level:
 - Basic
 - Advanced
 - Expert
- Adopt best practices from that level, learn from the next up



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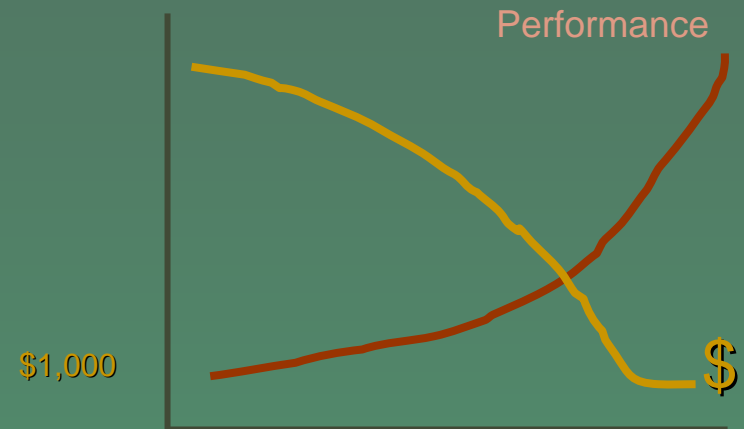
The 5 Golden Rules

1. People matter, stuff doesn't
2. Learn to walk before you drive
3. Start with simple conservation planning
4. Stay away from the bleeding edge
5. Design really, really matters

#1: People Matters, Stuff Doesn't

- Cost of computing stuff is small
- GIS software is free
- But people...
 - Skill/education
 - Time using GIS
 - \$20-50,000/yr.

- Always figure out people before stuff



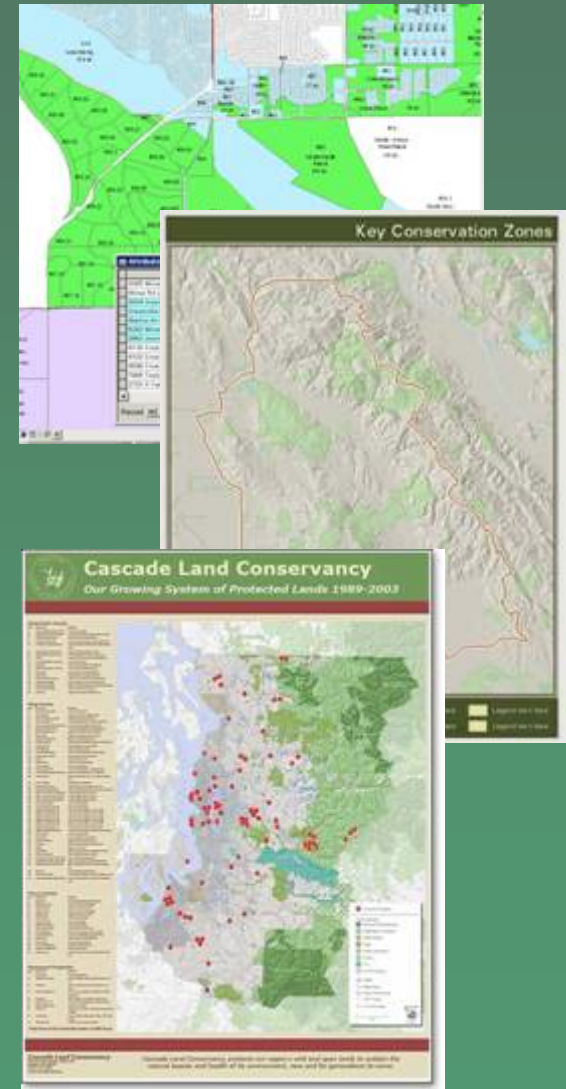
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#3: Learn to Walk Before You Drive

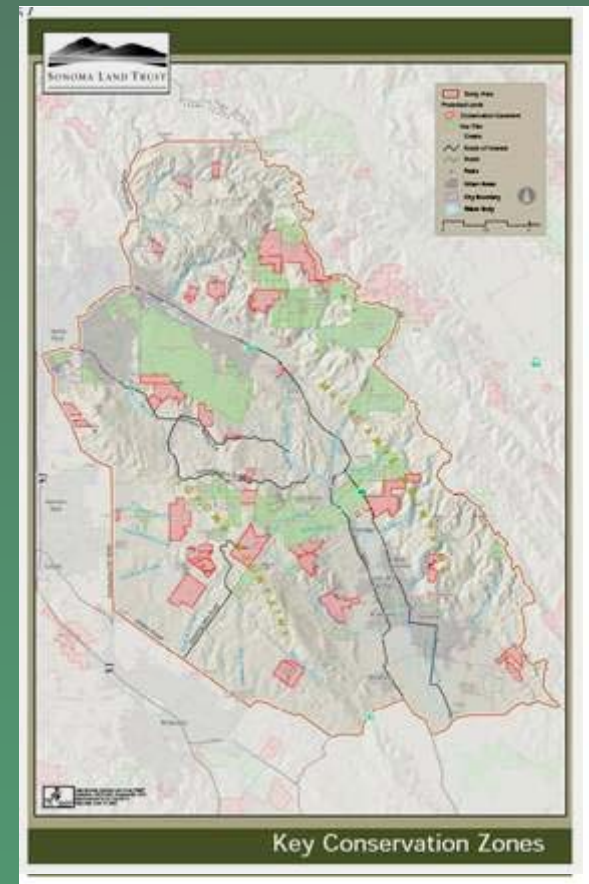
- Have these in place before doing a major conservation planning project:
 - GIS data and system for projects
 - Look and feel for mapping
 - “Turf” map of holdings, area of interest
 - Educated board/staff/stakeholders, relative to approach being used and likely results

- Test the waters before diving in



#3: Start With Simple Planning

- Base maps and core data:
 - Topography, infrastructure, watersheds
 - Tax parcels
 - Vegetation
 - Protected lands
 - Special data: habitat, plans/zoning farmland, etc.
- Use overlays, canvass experts, stakeholders for priorities
- Refine and evaluate, finalize



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A fatal exception 0E has occurred at 0137:BFFA21C9. The current application will be terminated.

- * Press any key to terminate the current application.
- * Press CTRL+ALT+DEL again to restart your computer. You will lose any unsaved information in all applications.

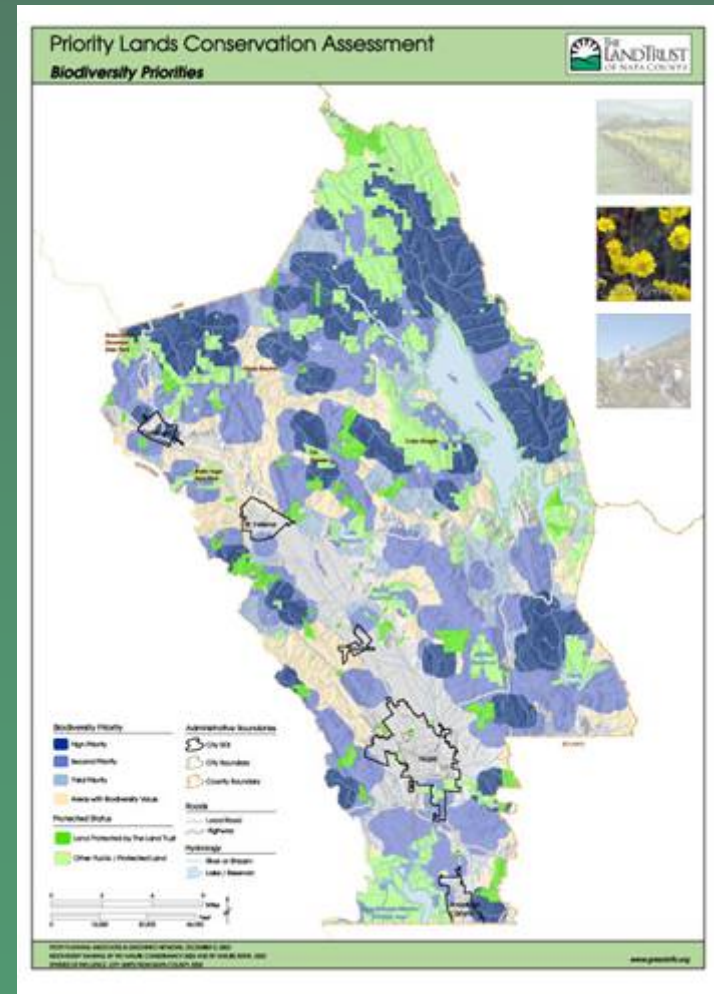
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Remember:

Never get newly released software. . .

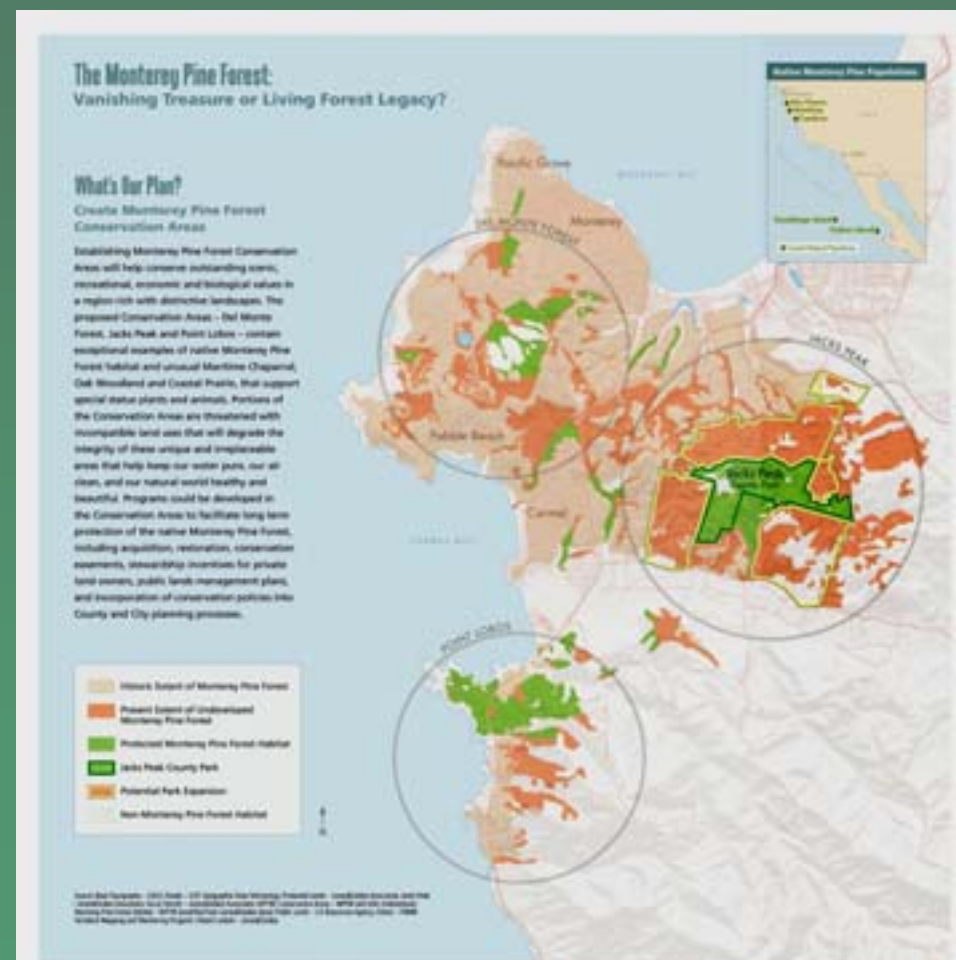
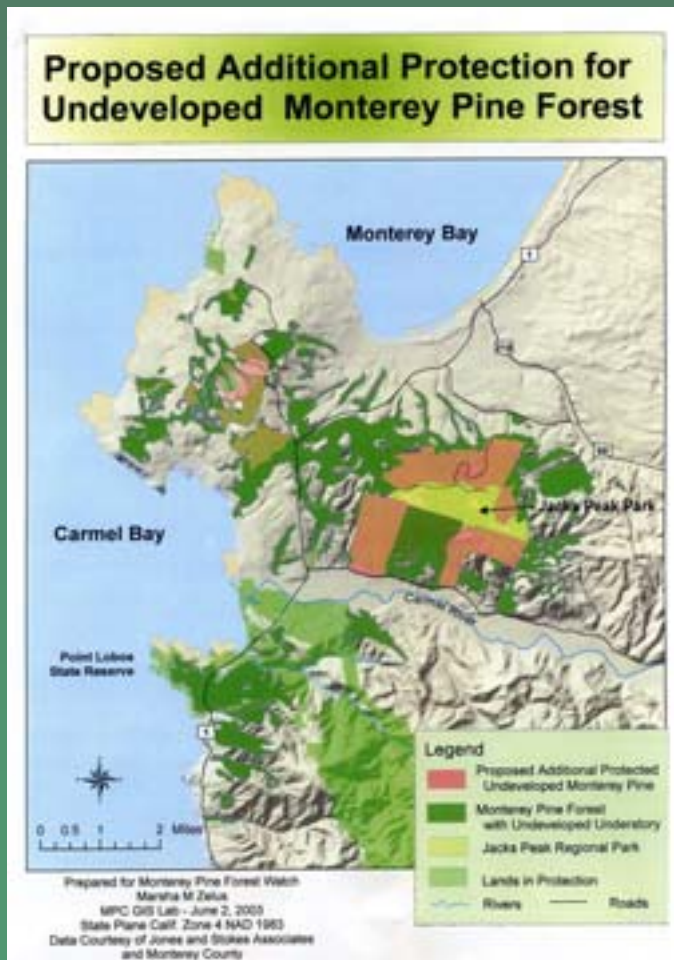
#5: Design Really, Really Matters

Conservation planning needs to be visually understandable



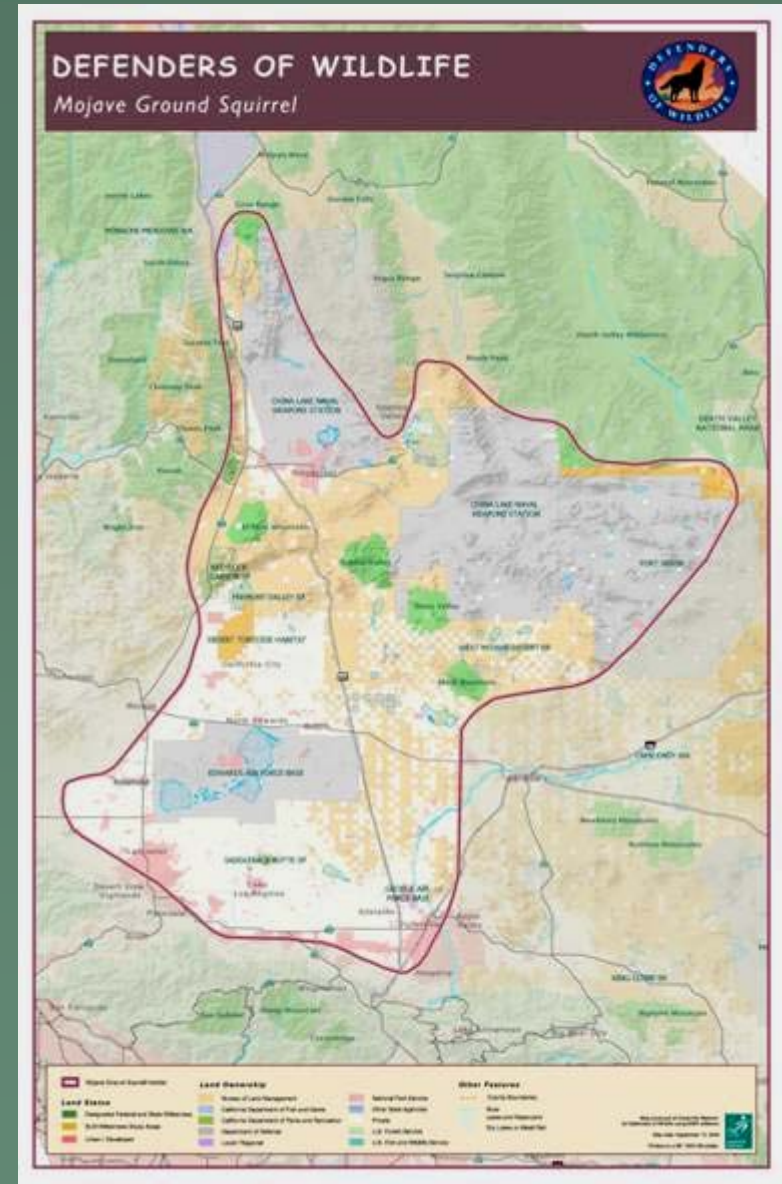
#5: Design Really, Really Matters

Design is mostly about unfolding a story with a clear message.



#5: Design Really, Really Matters

1. Have a story for an audience
2. Use graphic frames to allocate space
3. Direct the eye in the sequence you intend
4. Layer image elements so that important information stays prominent

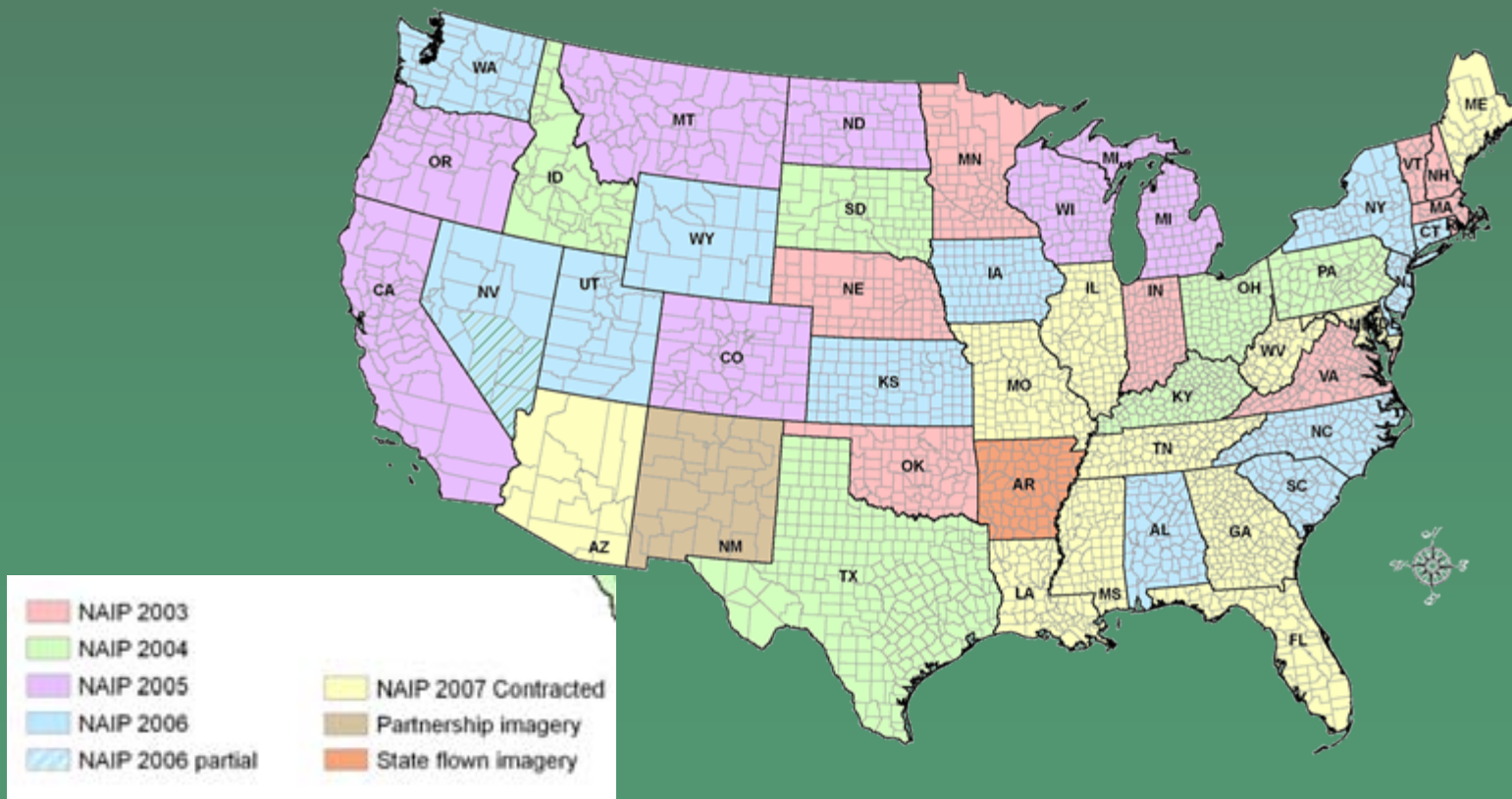


1. NAIP – high resolution air photography (cheap!)
2. Google Earth and applications
3. GeoPDFs
4. Field Atlases





- National Agricultural Imagery Program (USDA Farm Service Agency) <http://www.fsa.usda.gov>
- 1 meter, current, by county – free to very low cost



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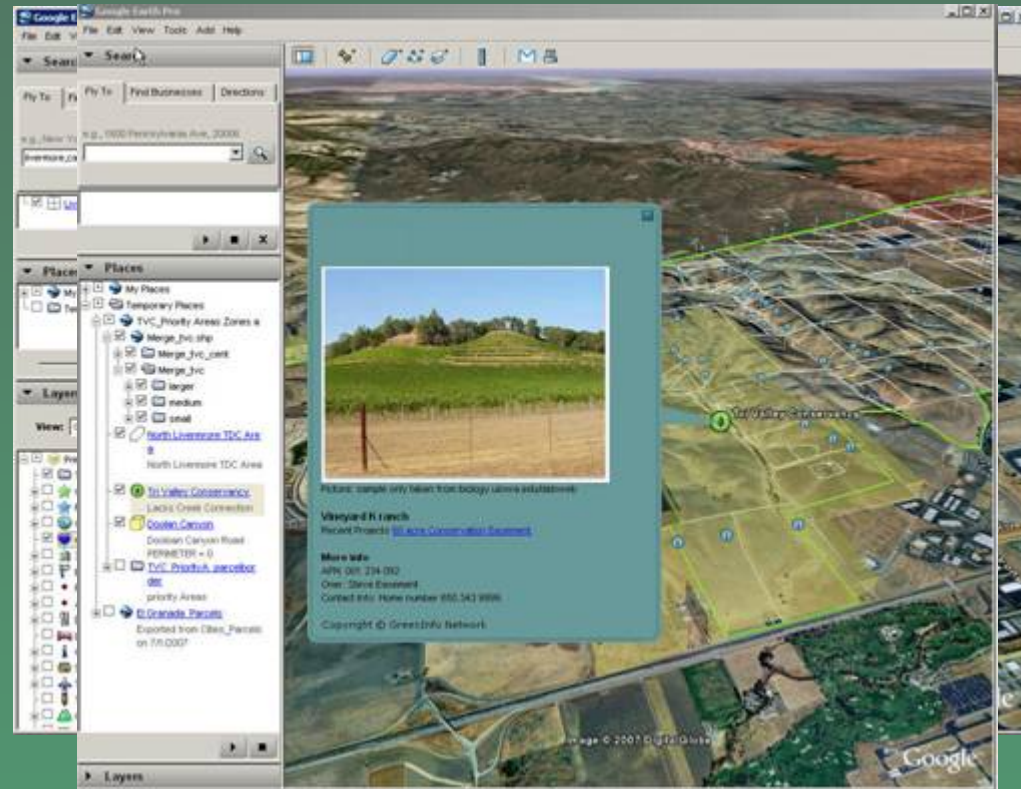
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3. Build really complex applications



Google Earth

The screenshot displays the Google Earth Pro interface. The main window shows a 3D satellite view of a coastal area with a landfill site. A label 'Burdell Island' is visible on the map. On the left, the 'Places' and 'Layers' panels are visible. The 'Places' panel shows a hierarchy of locations, including 'No Wetlands Landfill Expansion' and 'Wetlands Landfill Expansion'. The 'Layers' panel shows various map layers like 'Terrain', 'Geographic Grid', and '3D Buildings'. A large information window is overlaid on the right side of the map. The window has a title 'NO Wetlands Landfill Expansion' and contains the following text:

No Wetlands Landfill Expansion is a concerned citizen's watchdog group created to ensure Redwood Landfill's proposed expansion in Nevada, along the Potluna marsh.

This expansion is a critical concern for residents of Marin and Sonoma counties, and environmentally throughout the Bay Area. It will negatively impact the environment and surrounding communities.

Citizen input is essential during the environmental review and permit process. We hope that you will use this site to obtain key information and find out what you can do to stop this permitless expansion.

Expansion of the landfill will turn it into a state regional dump to increase Waste Management, Inc.'s big corporate profits. It will result in a substantial increase of large truck traffic on Highway 101 and increase the risk of degrading surrounding wetlands as well as air and water pollution throughout Nevada and surrounding areas.

Note: These files should be used for visualization and as references only, and should not be used for planning purposes.

For best viewing, turn each window off in the table of contents when you load subsequent windows.

Web Links
These links open outside of Google Earth

- [No Wetlands Landfill Expansion](#)
- [Watch our video \(Flash\)](#)
- [Watch our audio \(Flash\)](#)
- [Watch our audio \(MP3\)](#)

Google Earth Additions
Click on the button for more Google Earth files

- [Watch our video in Google Earth](#)
- [See photos in satellite](#)
- [Download the file](#)
- [2004 Redwood LULU Train Map](#)
- [Storm San Leandro](#)
- [Can you spot the Aerial from here?](#)
- [Earthquake Photo/Video](#)
- [Compare 1999 to the 2000 Aerial Center](#)

- Acrobat Reader Plug-in
- Layered GIS maps
- Measure, comment
- Interactive links
- Author needs \$300 software, "reader" is free
- www.terrago.com



Design Really, Really Matters

Red Hill

Land Ownership

Conservation Lands

Parcels

Transportation

Primary Route

Secondary Route

Local Roads

Trails

Water Features

Wetlands or Bog

Lake or Pond

Stream

Intermittent Stream

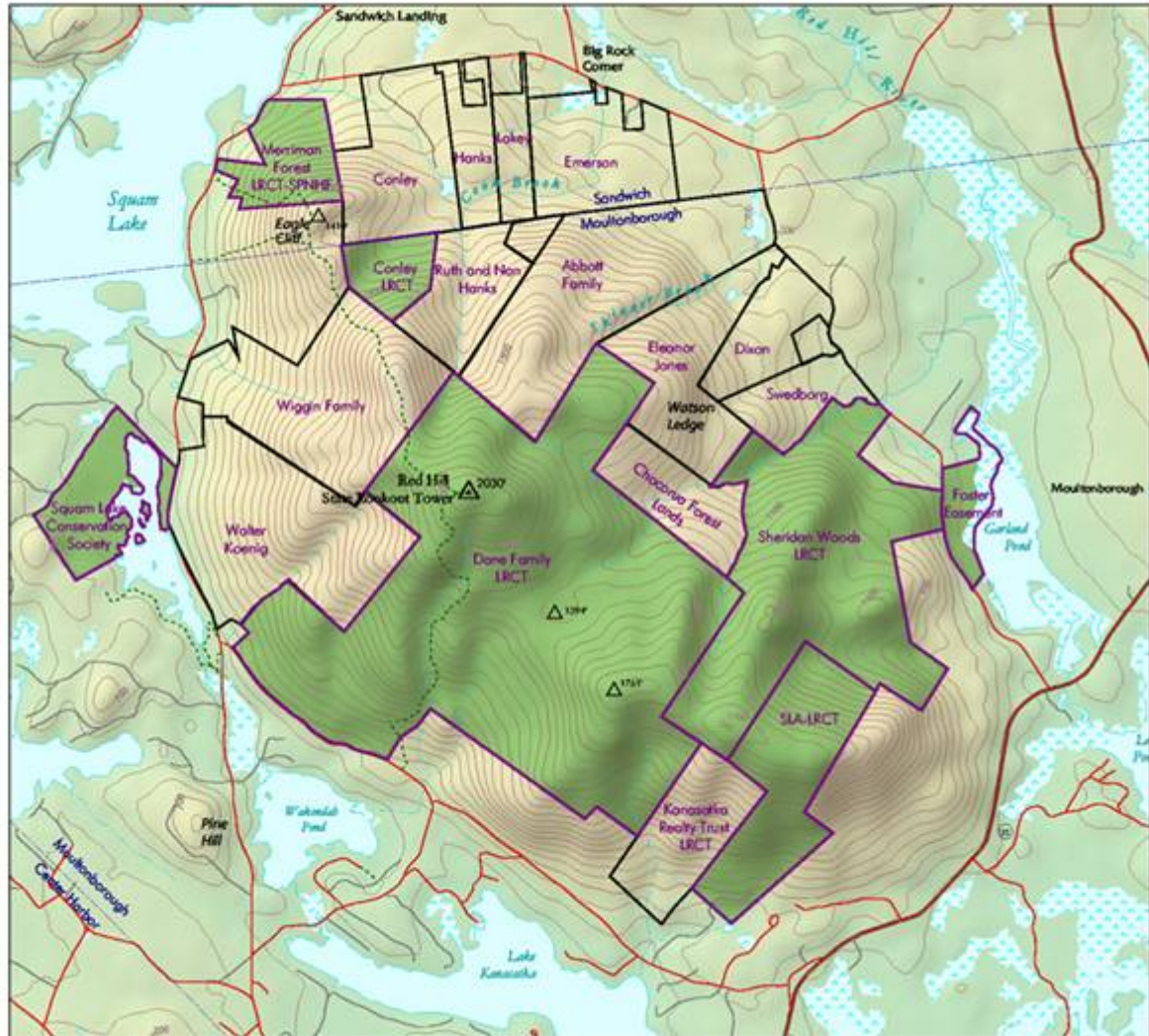
Town Boundaries

contour interval 40 feet

data sources:
USGS 7.5 minute digital elevation model for terrain

USGS digital line graph for roads and trails and
water features

Acquired using the UNH GRANIT system, 2002



Map created by GreenInfo Network
using GIS software, September 2002

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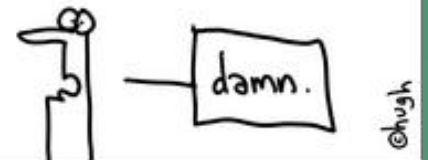
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Smart Technology. . .

- If you're not sure, do it simply and quickly – then see if you need to do it better
- Develop a "best practices" checklist for how you use technology generally- check against your peers (or where you want to go)
- Always invest in building up people – and keeping them for a long time

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changes,
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don't.



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