Socio-economic drivers of land-use change at several sites in the Plum Island Estuary LTER region

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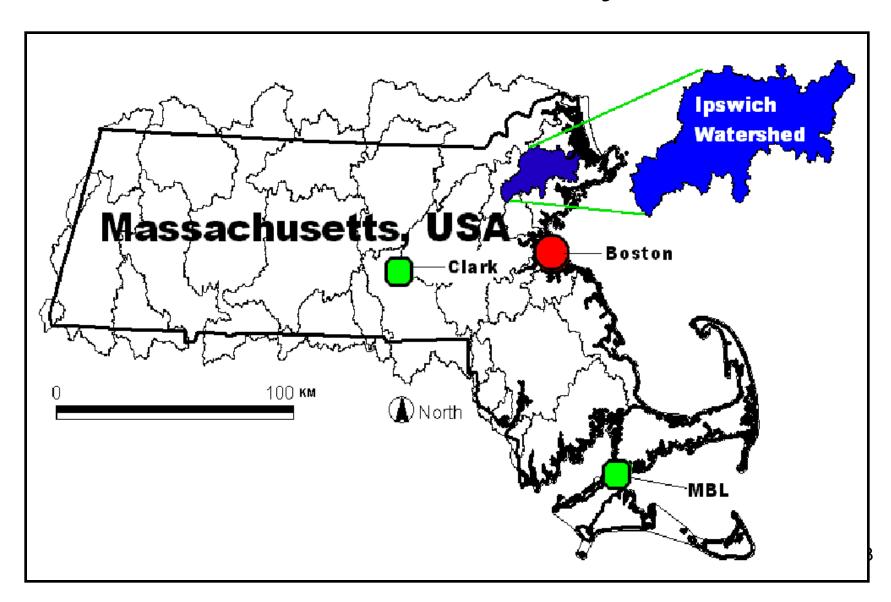




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Plum Island Estuary LTER



Research Experience for Undergraduates (REU)

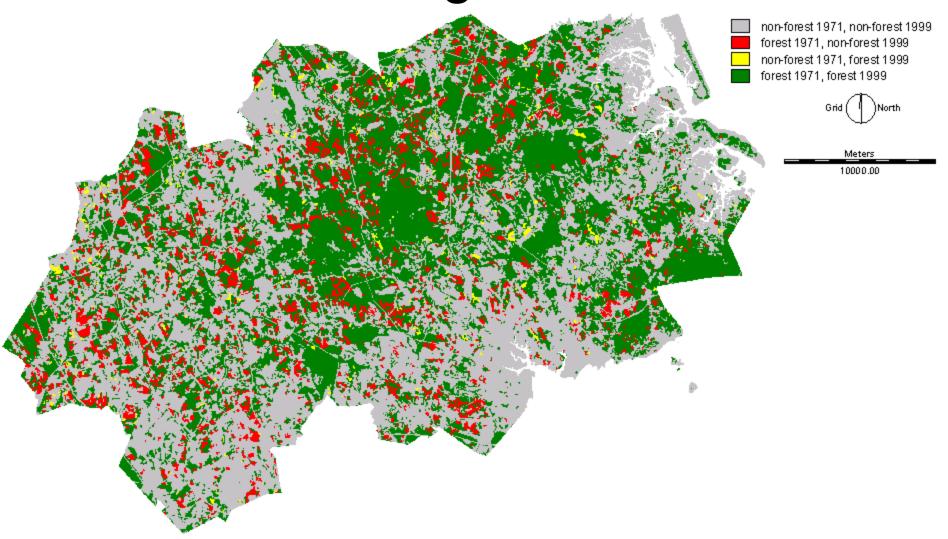




Towns of Ipswich Watershed



Forest Change 1971 - 1999



Wall of Equations

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Simulated Grid Cell

Information of Location

Simulated Stratum

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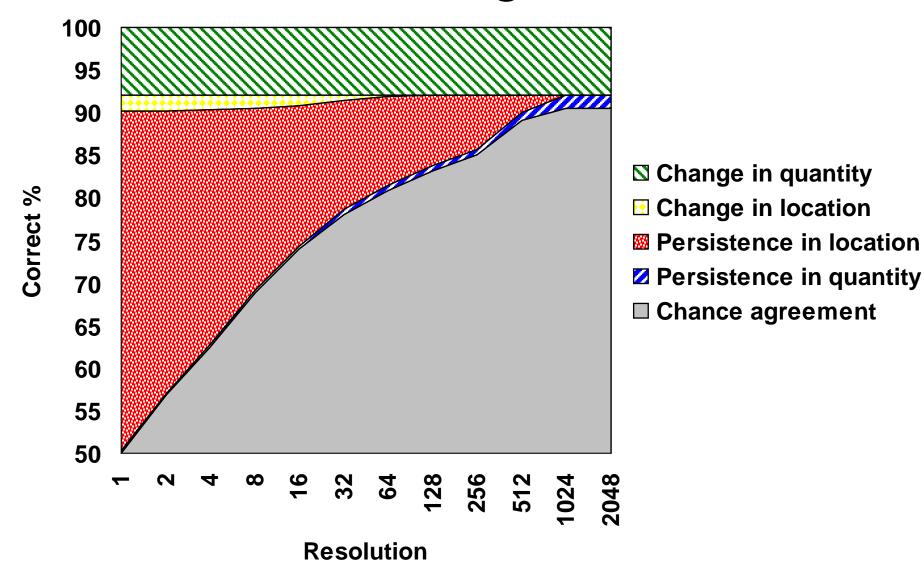
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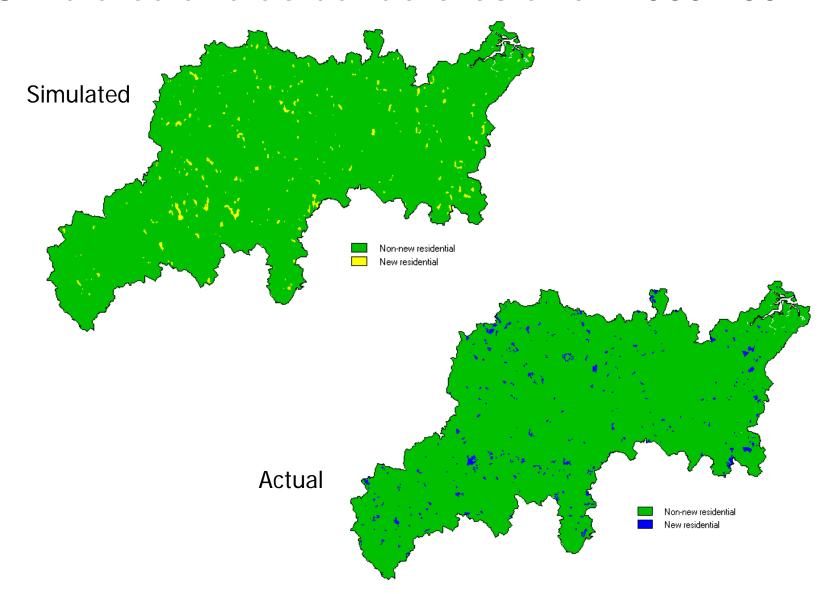
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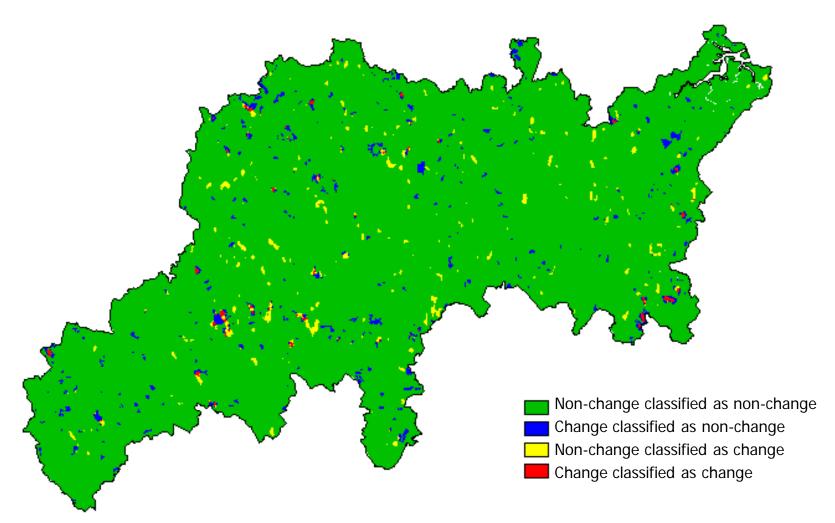
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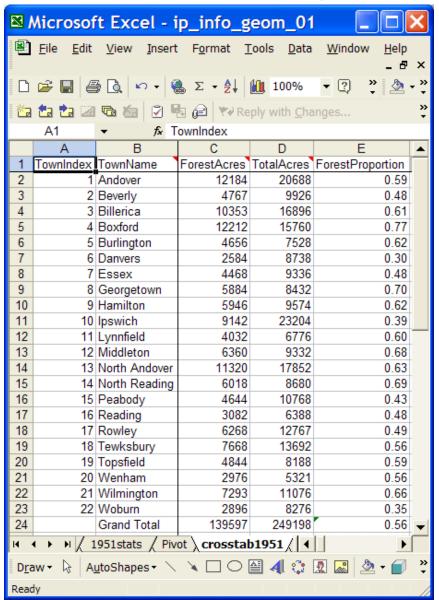
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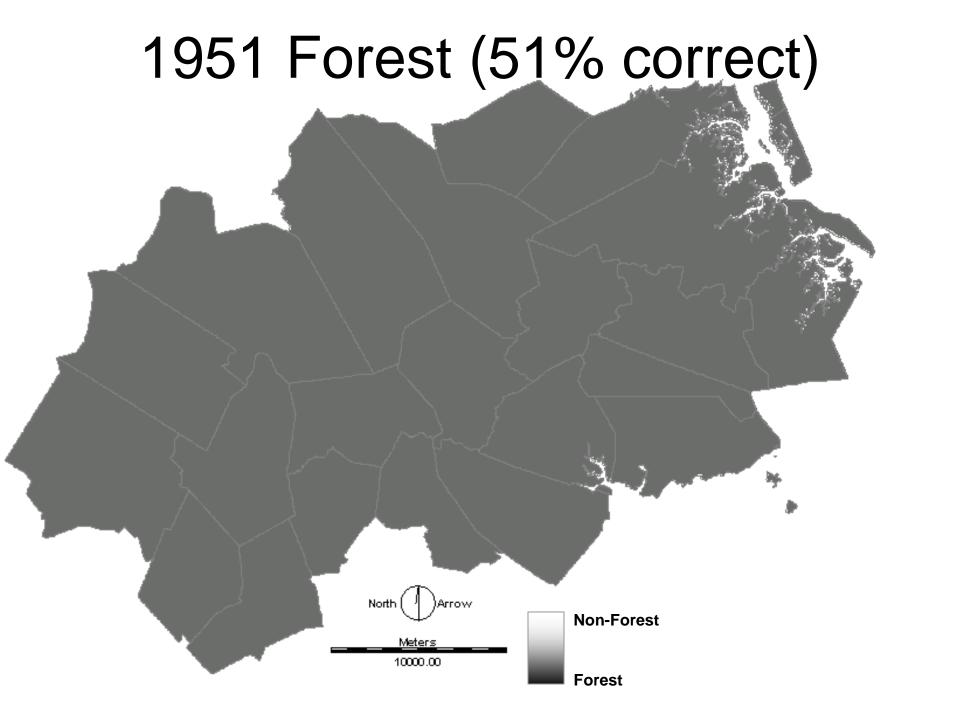


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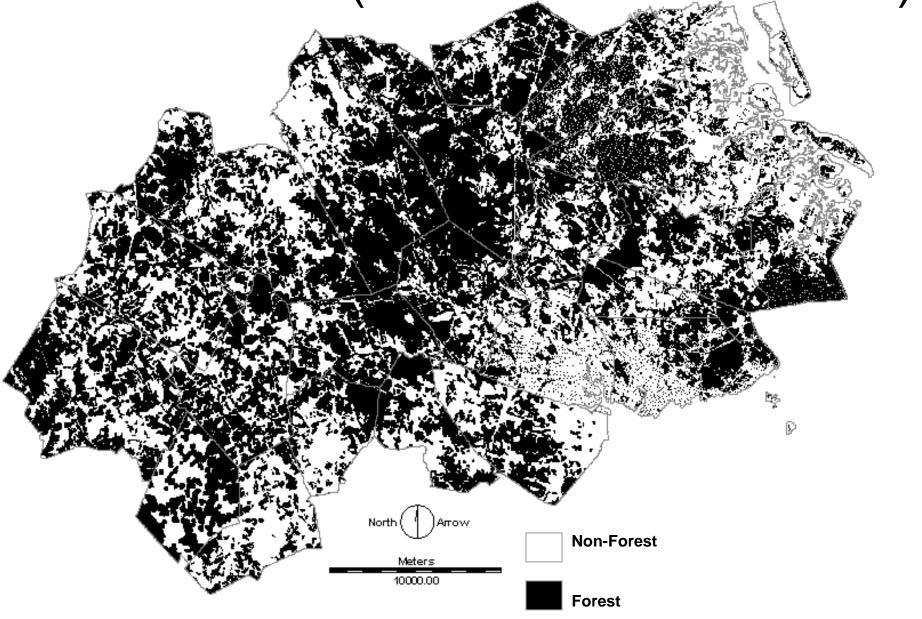
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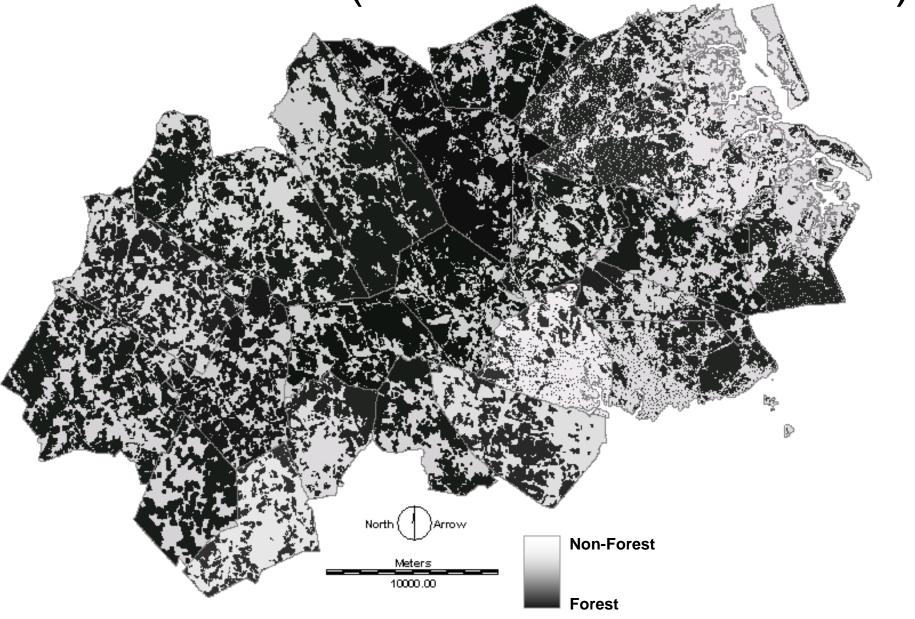


1951 Forest (54% correct) **Non-Forest** 10000.00 **Forest**

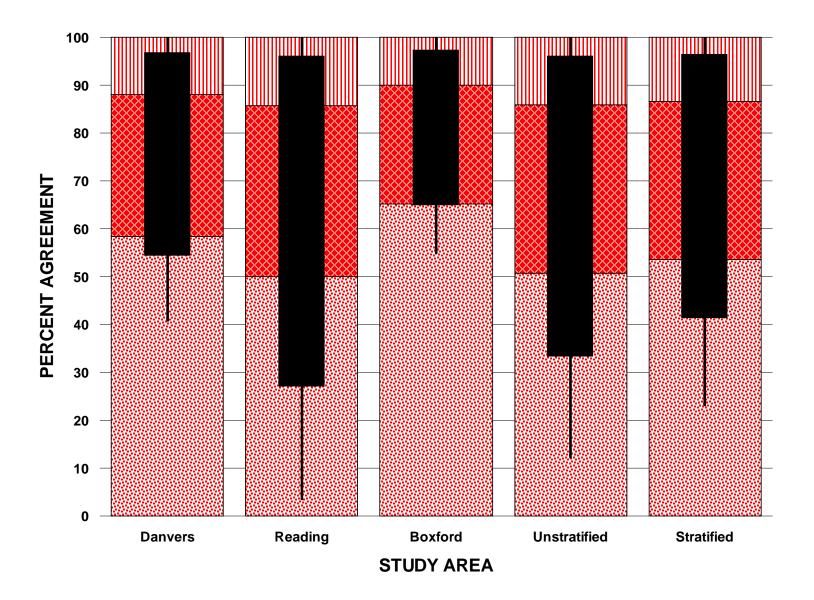
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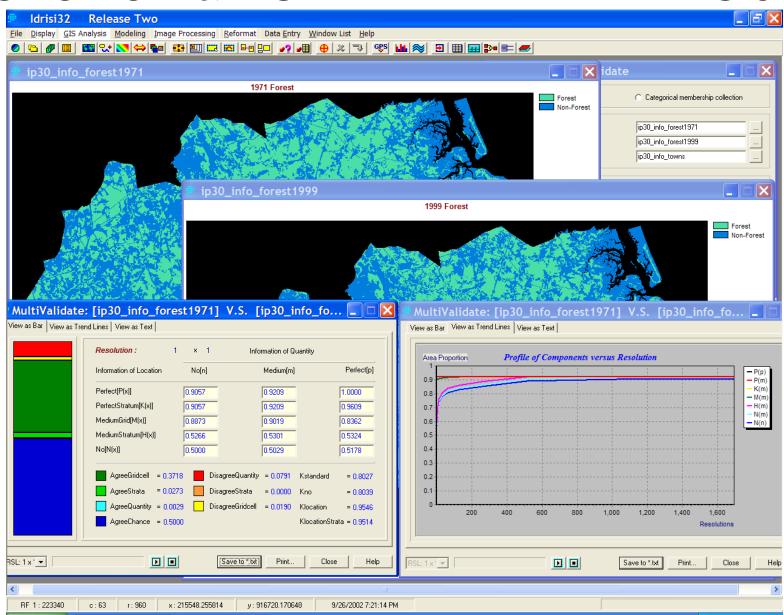
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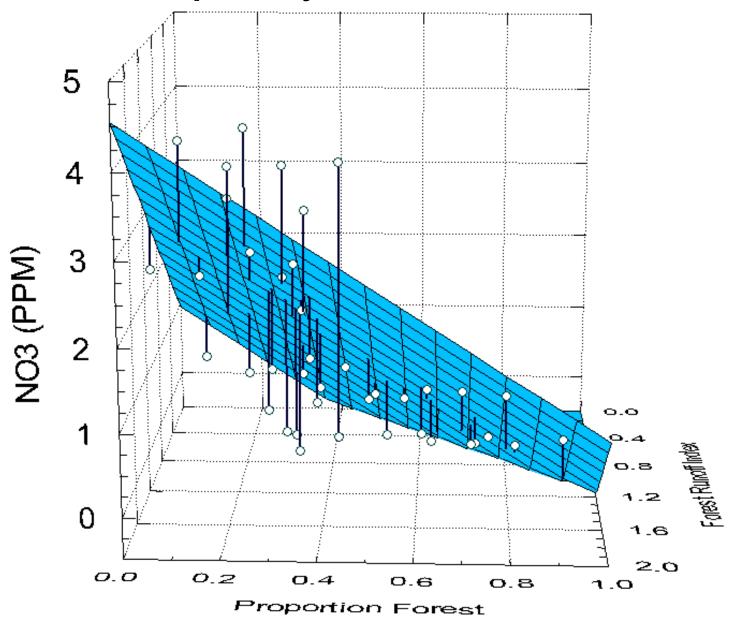
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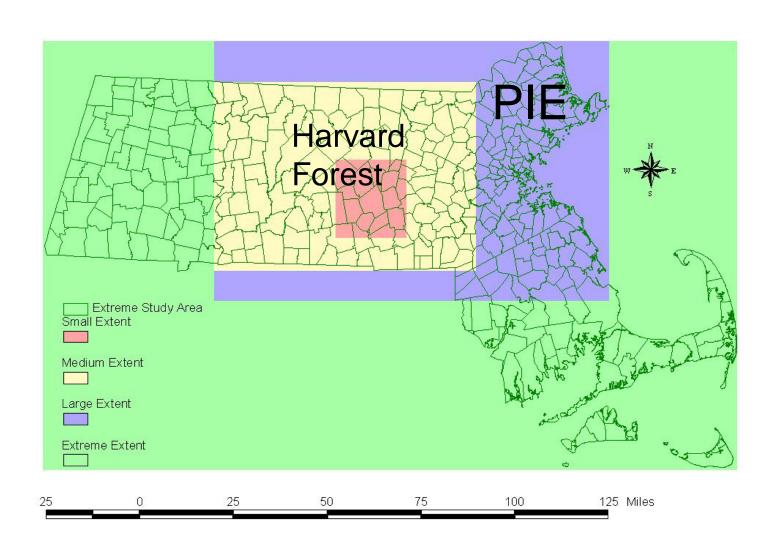
Water quality versus land indices



Human Environment Regional Observatory



HERO Study Areas and LTER sites

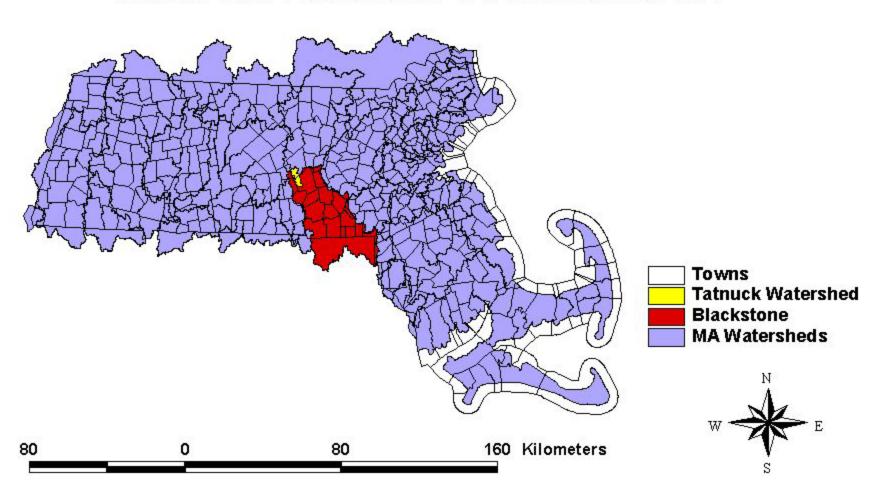


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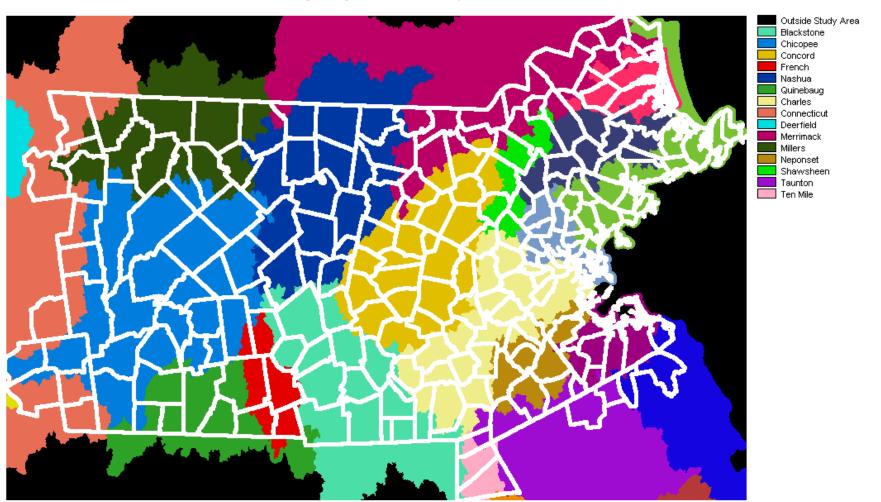


Massachusetts Watersheds



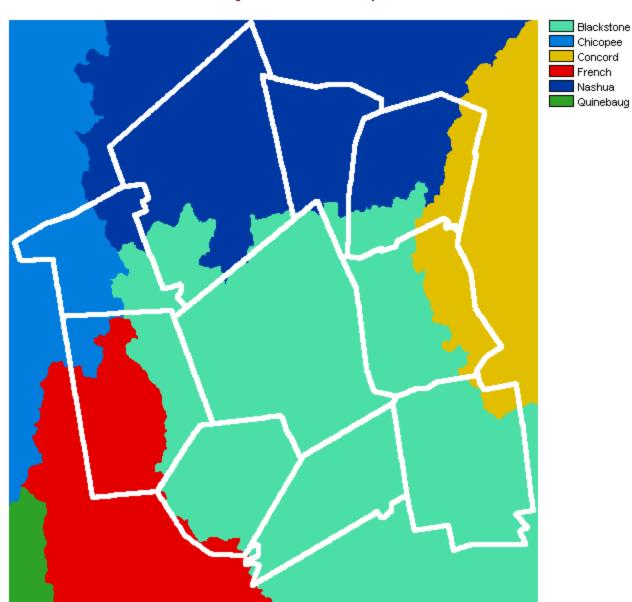
HERO-CM Large Window

Large Study Area Watershed Map

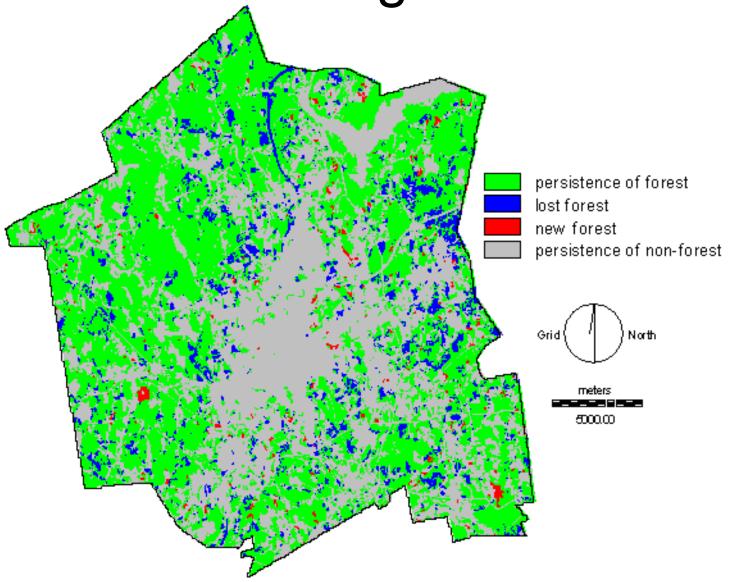


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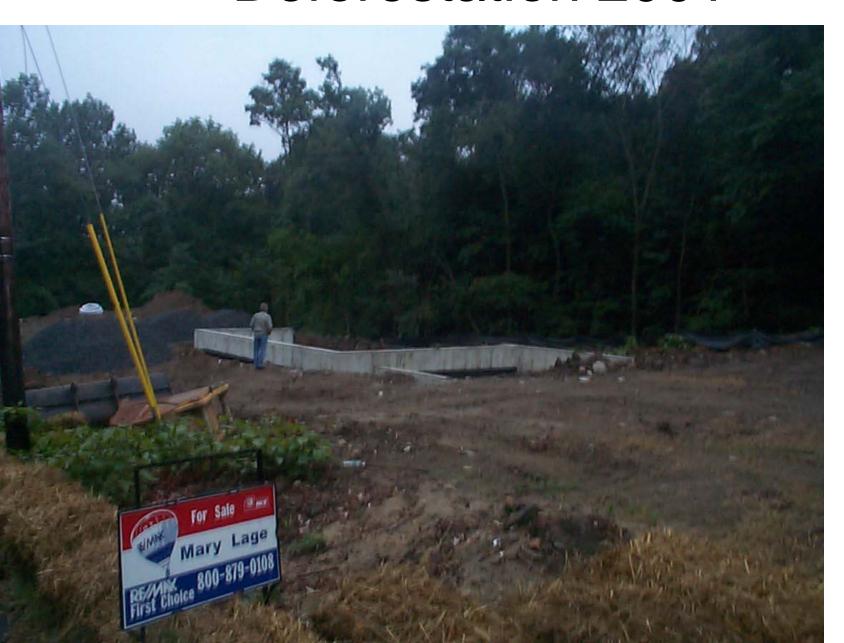
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Deforestation 2001



Former Forest 2002



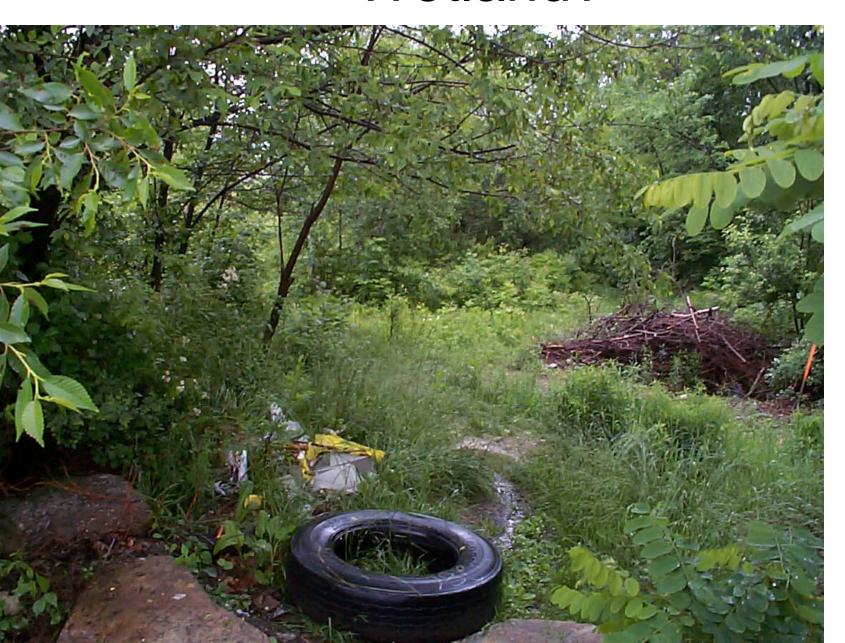
Imminent Land Change?



Conservation Commission Meeting



Wetland?



Ken Chin's Parking Lot 1



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Ken Chin's Parking Lot 3



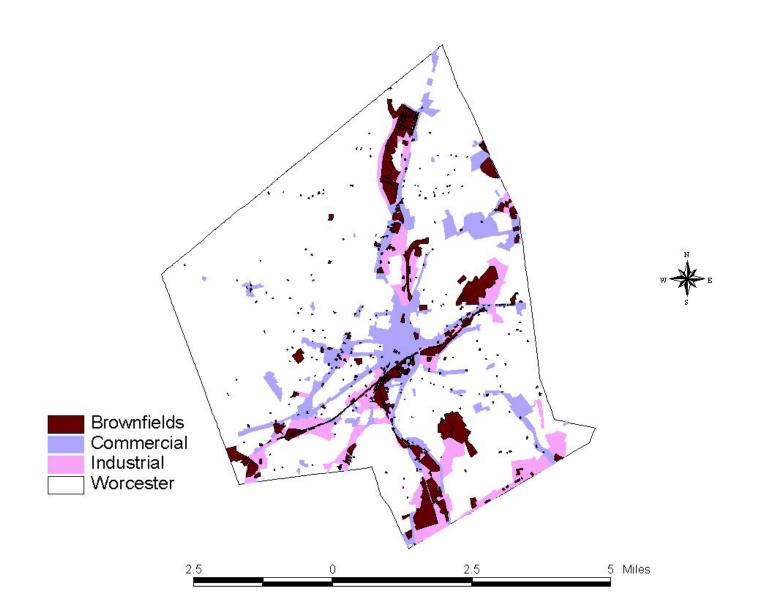
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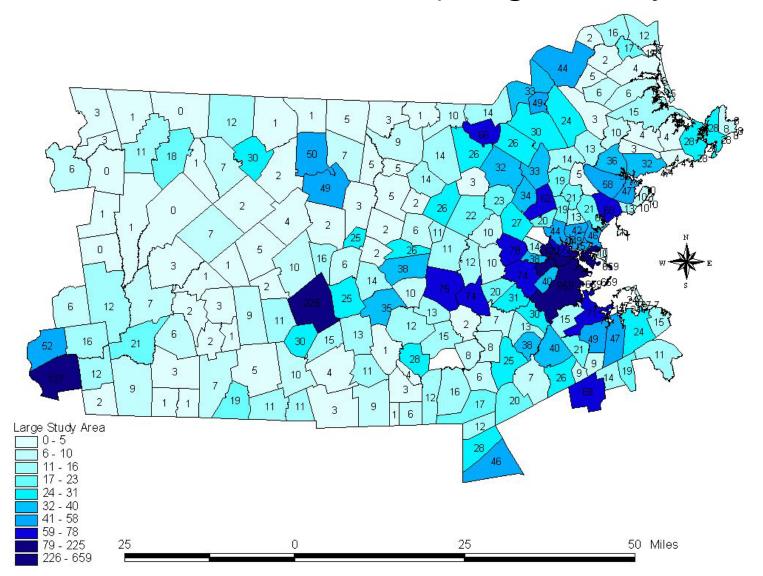
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Brownfields in Commercial/Industrial Areas



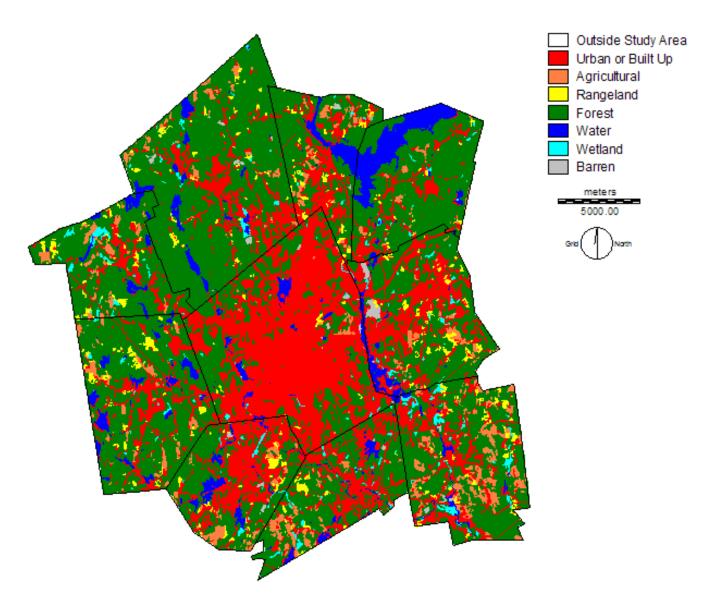
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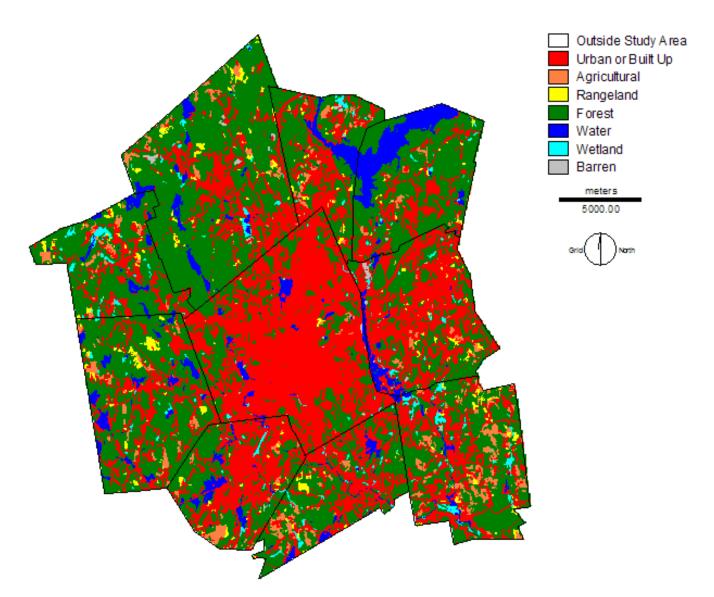
HEROs Working with the Mayor



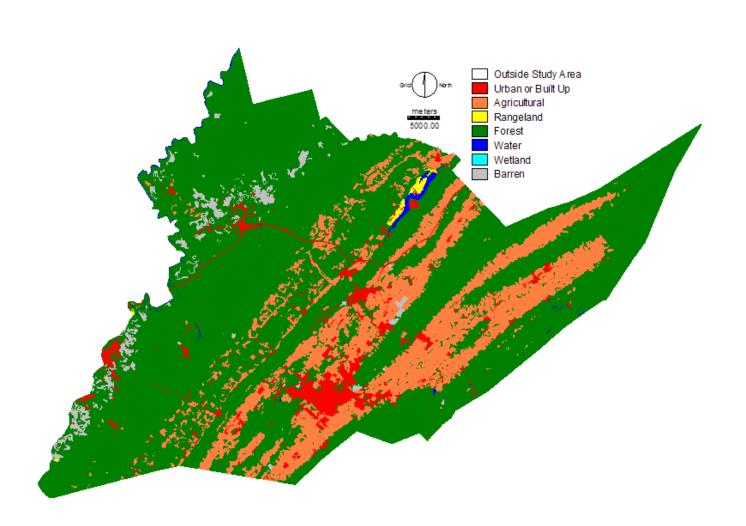
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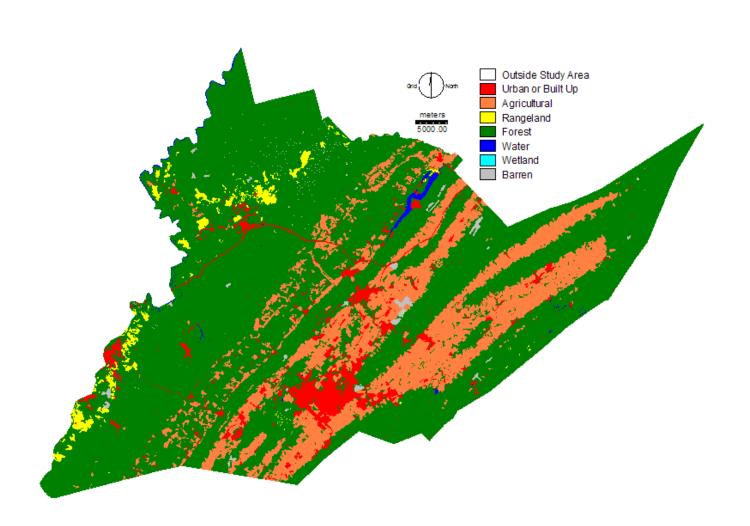
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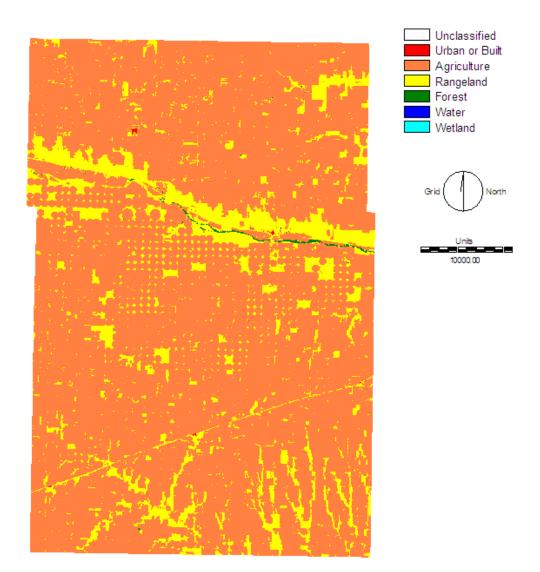
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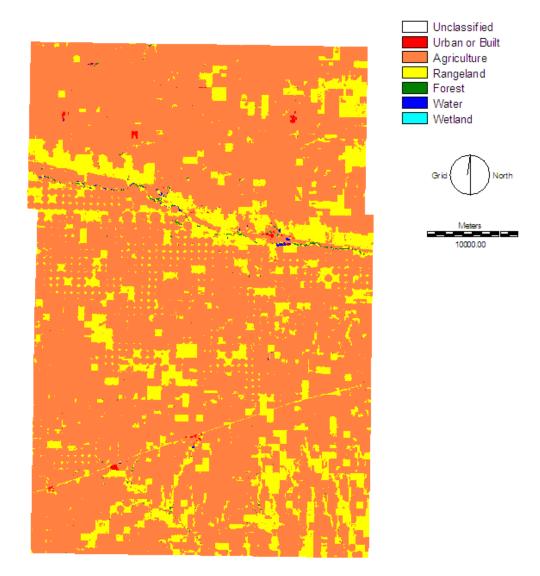
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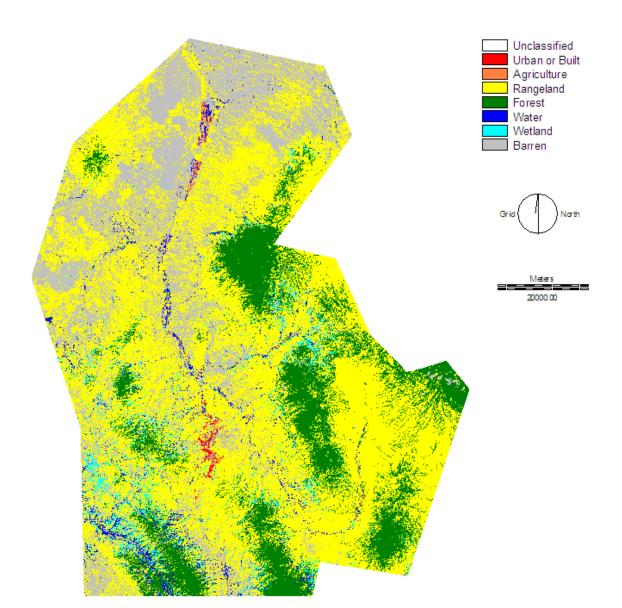
Kansas 1985



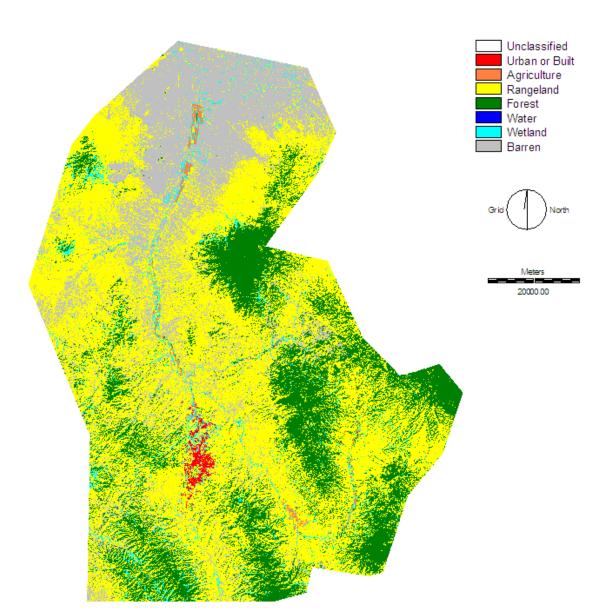
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