

# BACK TO THE FUTURE

## University of Idaho Forestry







# FORESTRY DEGREES

## Associate of Science

- I Forest Operations and Technology
- I Forest Nursery Management and Technology
- I Wildland Fuel and Fire Technology

## Bachelor of Science

- I Forestry – Silviculture, Operations, Nursery Emphases
- I Forests and Sustainable Products
- I Ecology and Ecosystem Science
- I Fire Ecology and Management

## Graduate Degrees

- I In-person – Doctoral, Masters
- I On-line – MNR, ENVS



# PREPARING THE NEXT GENERATION

## CURRICULUM & SKILLS DEVELOPMENT





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## DEMONSTRATION & APPLICATION





# Forest Innovations Institute



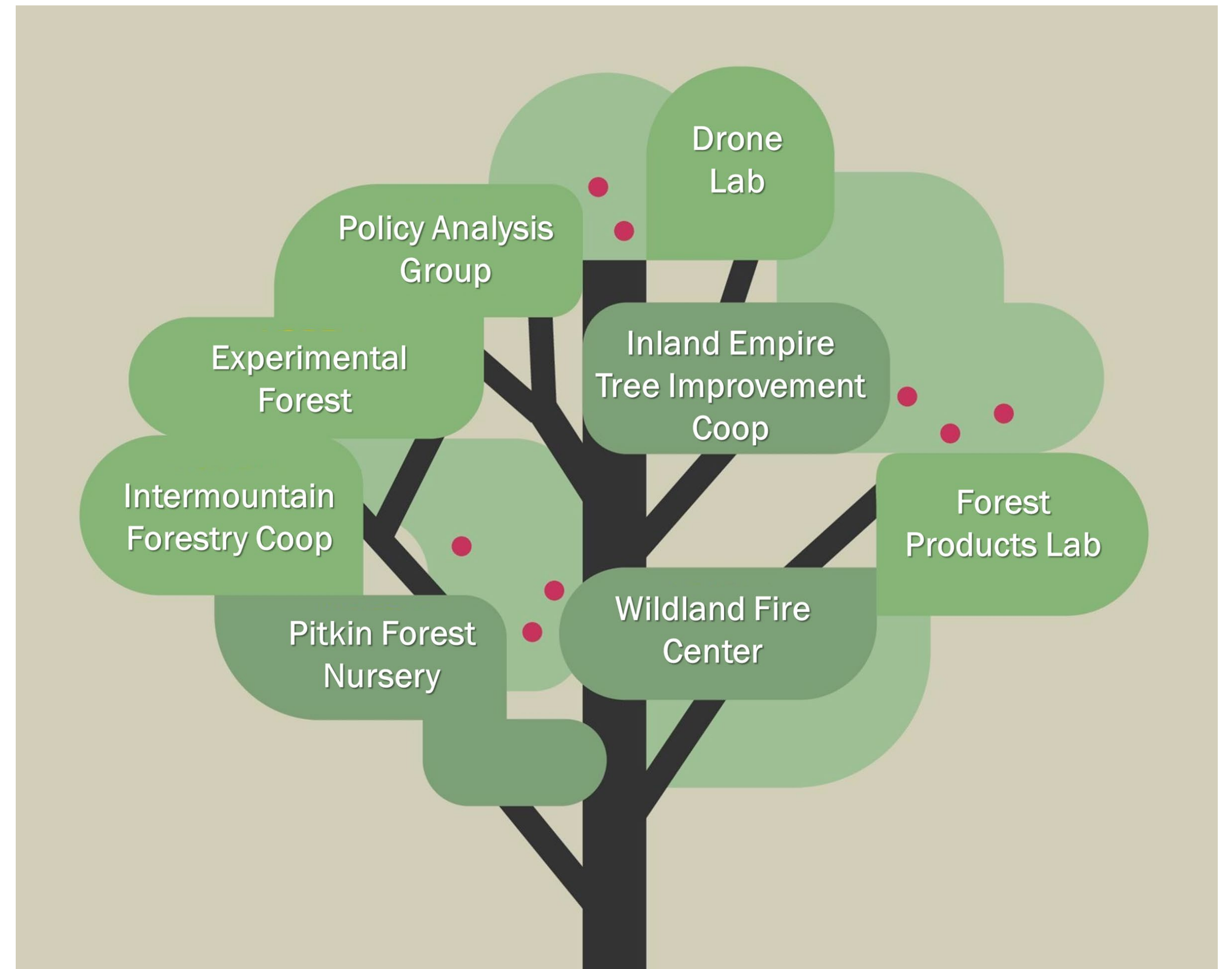
Fixed-rate contracting

Coordinated and individual projects

Shared and proprietary R&D

Discounted membership for existing coops

Not intended for commercial services





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# FOREST INNOVATIONS INSTITUTE

## CORE MISSION

- I** Advance contemporary and emerging technologies and information systems
- I** Crosscutting research: digital transformation, networking, robotics, automation, remote sensing, AI
- I** Partner with University faculty and students for interdisciplinary training and research – workforce development
- I** Engage industry specialists, businesses, Native American Tribes, nonprofits, universities, and public land management agencies





# FOREST INNOVATIONS INSTITUTE AFFILIATES

## AFFILIATES PROGRAM – OPEN TO ANYONE

- I Applied Research:** Share practical, applied research & education
- I Membership:** No membership requirements (Agency, Industry, Consultant)
- I Cost:** Low cost of membership, from single users to large agencies
- I Education:** Equal access to training modules & workshops
- I Design:** Equal access to data design, best practices, and applied analytics
- I Demonstration:** Access to applied demonstrations
- I Content Experts:** One day of staff time per year for memberships \$3,000/yr +



# FOREST INNOVATIONS INSTITUTE AFFILIATES

## PARTICIPATION ASSESSMENTS *(DRAFT)*

### I Simple Assessment Structure Based on Business Segment Size

- 1 \$1,000 / 2 Yrs
- 2 – 4 \$1,000 / Yr
- 5 – 10 \$3,000 / Yr
- 11 – 20 \$5,000 / Yr
- 21 – 50 \$7,000 / Yr
- 50 + \$9,000 / Yr
- \* Large Agency > 1,000 TBD

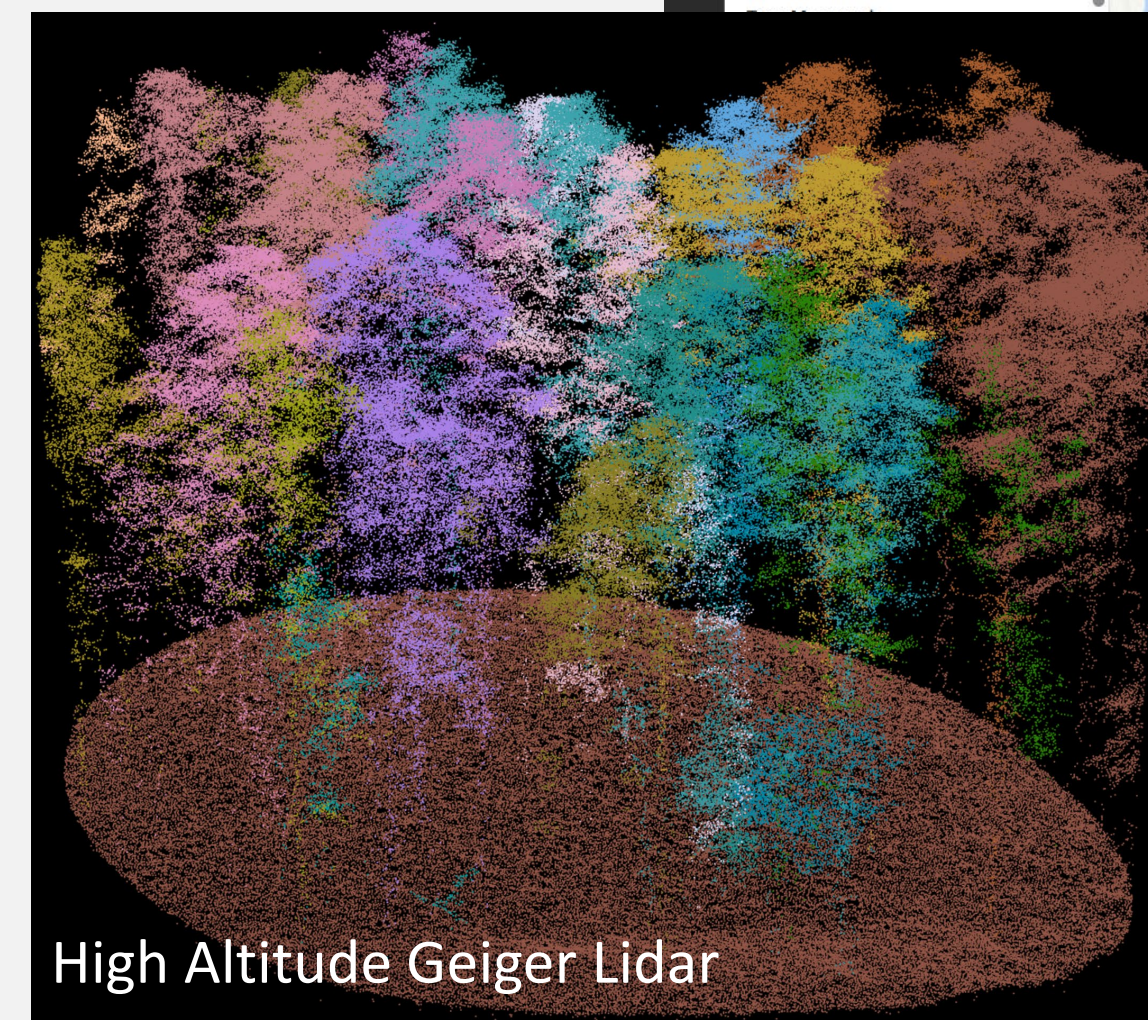
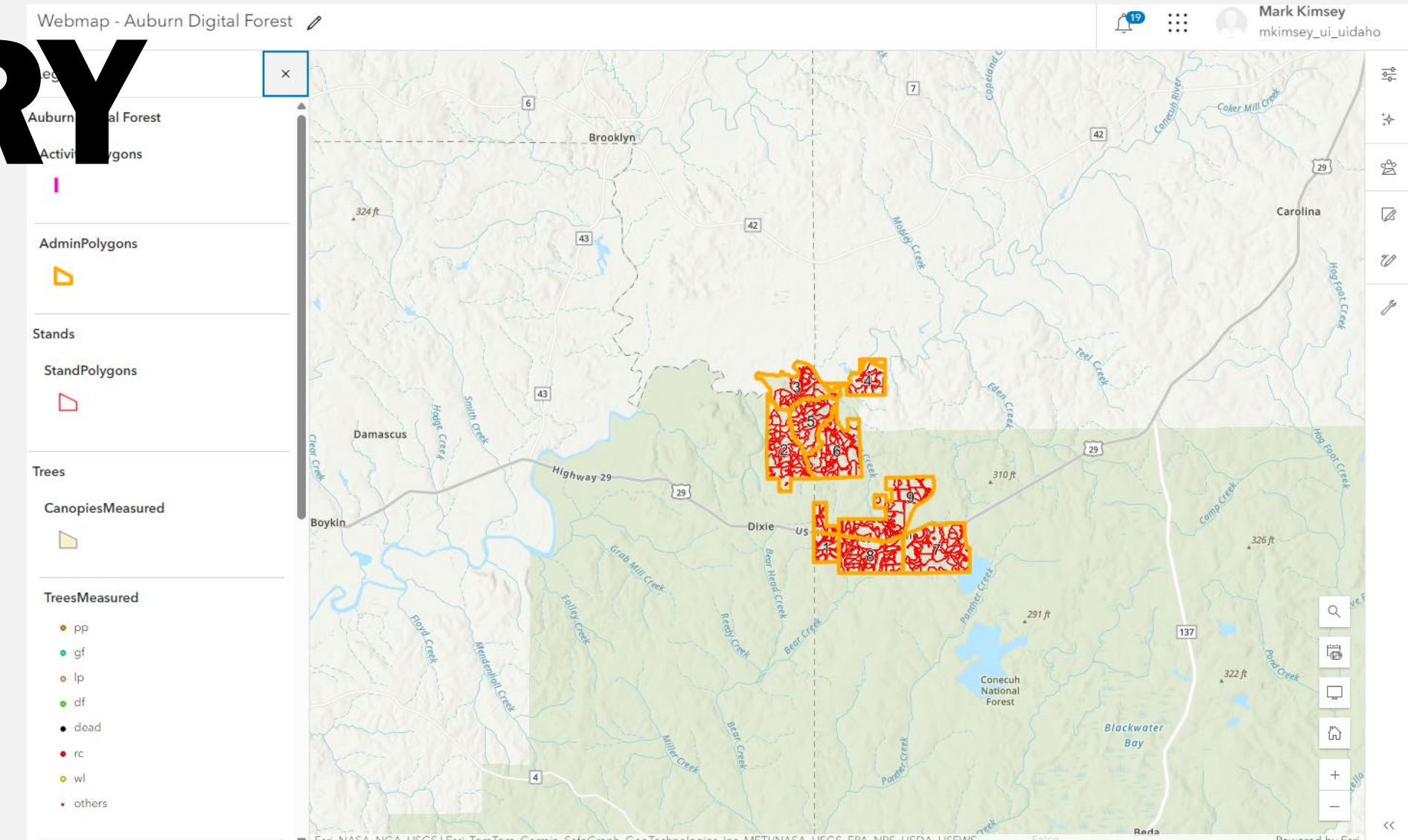


# FII – DIGITAL FORESTRY

## DEVELOP A COORDINATED INNOVATION NETWORK TO LINK RESEARCH FORESTS NATIONWIDE

PAUL SMITHS COLLEGE, AUBURN, DUKE, UC BERKELEY, OREGON STATE  
...OTHERS

- Drive digital forest innovation
- Broad geographic networking
- Diverse forested communities for testing
- Deploy a common data model to all partners and develop common analytics
- Develop Next Generation Research and Management Personnel
- Leverage Research and Resources for Competitive Grant Funding
- Build International Relationships



High Altitude Geiger Lidar



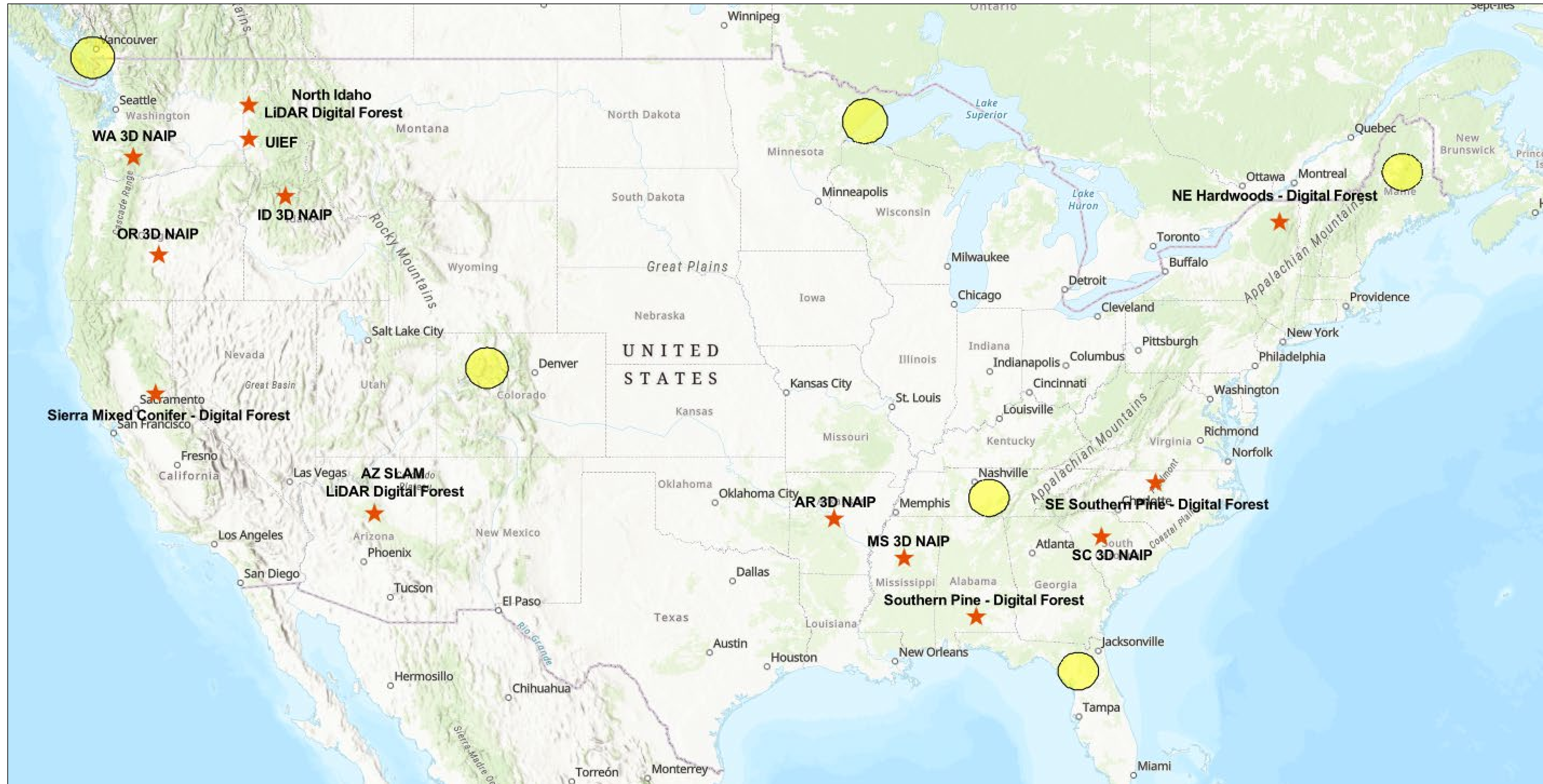
SLAM Lidar





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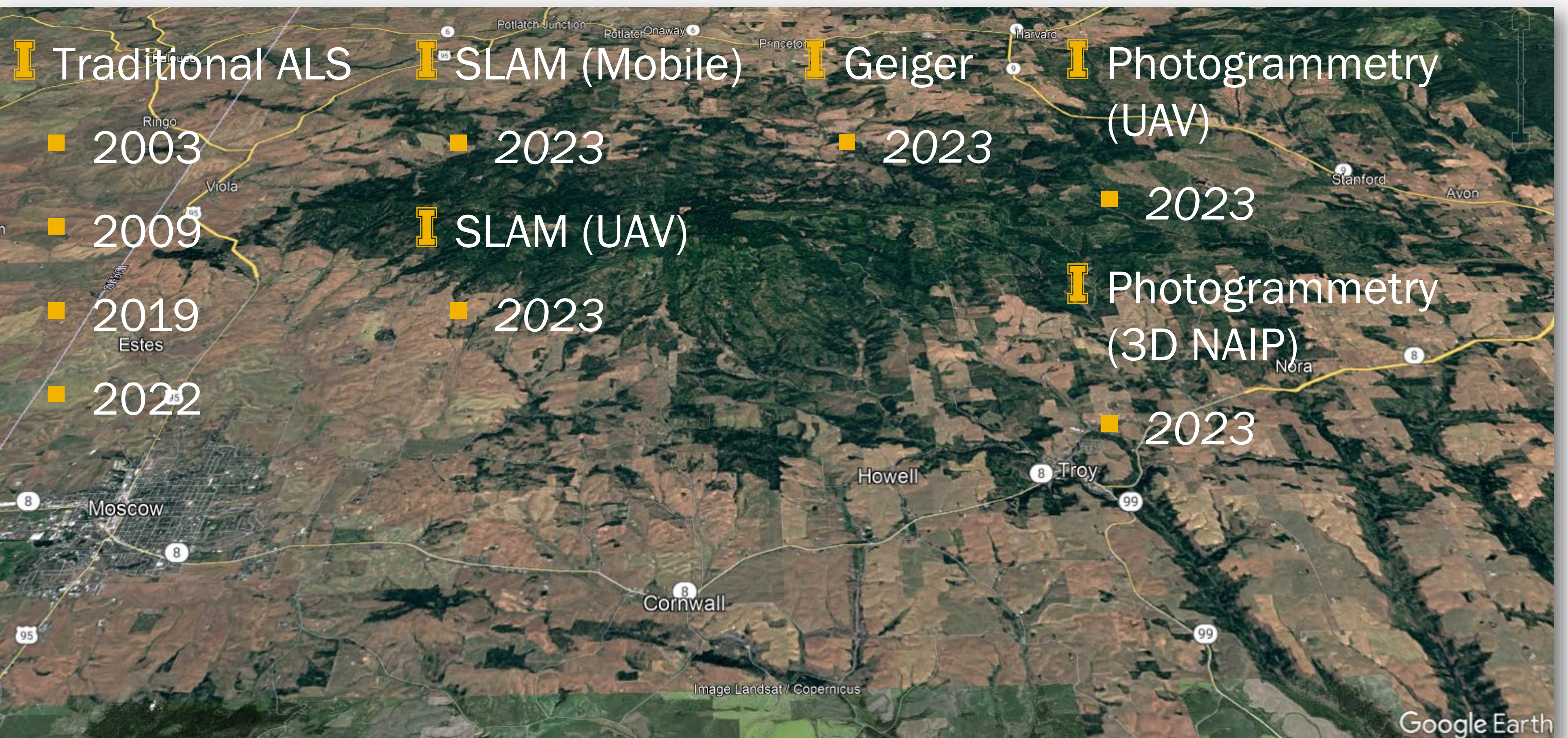
## *REGIONAL & NATIONAL IN SCOPE & COLLABORATION*





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## MOSCOW MOUNTAIN DIGITAL FORESTRY LABORATORY





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## CURRENT STAFFING & WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT

### I Research Scientists

- Dr. Edward Flathers
  - Remote sensing, data org, process automation
- Dr. Heather Greaves
  - Remote sensing, veg and surface mapping
- Dr. Jaslam Poolakkal
  - Advanced statistics modeling, scalable and interactive applications
- Dr. Aaron Sparks
  - Remote sensing, inventory & disturbance characterization

### I Graduate Students

- Noel Daugherty (MS)
  - Remote sensing & biometrics
- Steevensen Alcius (Fulbright PhD)
  - Remote sensing & biometrics
- Haley Anderson (PhD)
  - Forest health modeling

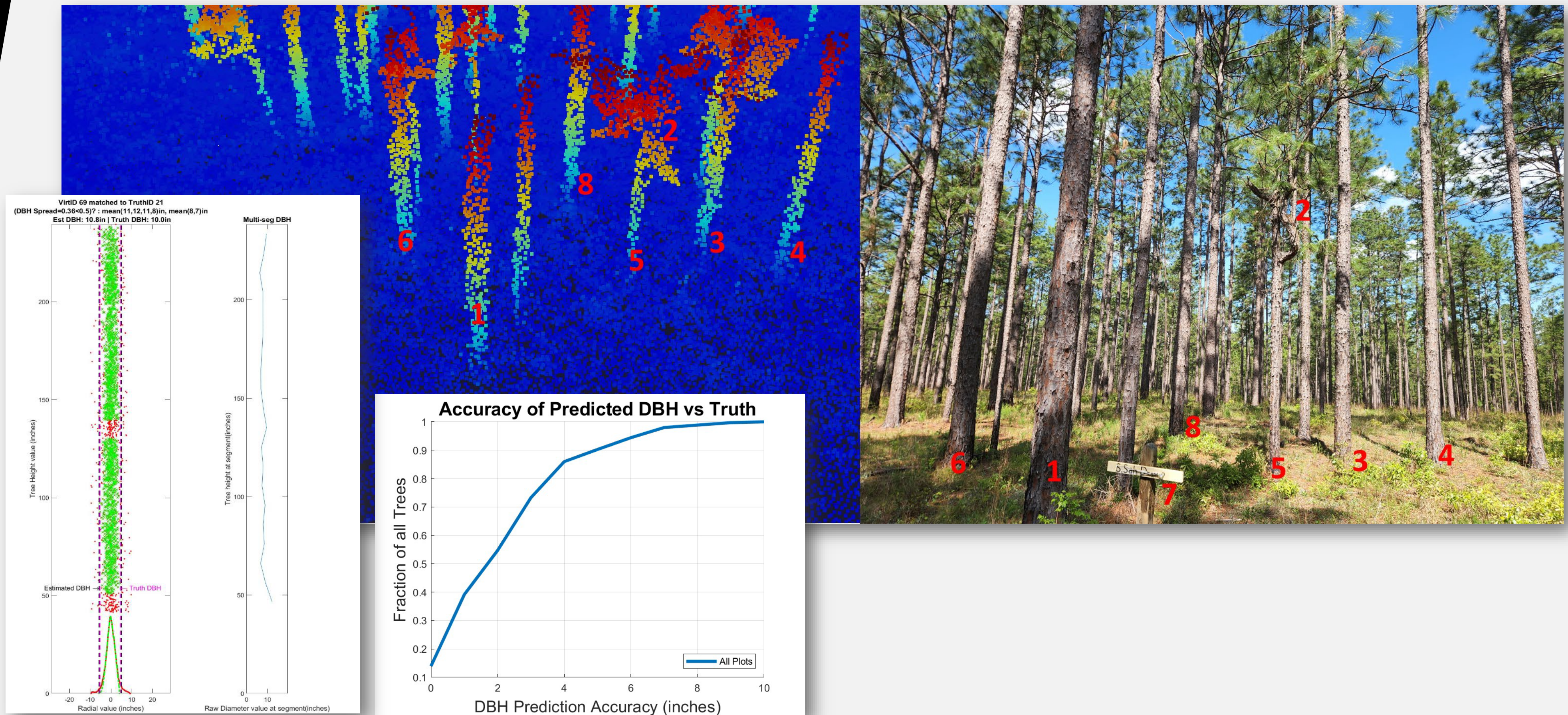
### I Undergraduate Students

- Christian Marzan (BS Forestry)
- James Shook (BS Forestry)
- Spencer Lake (BS Forestry)
- Miah Dannahower (BS Forestry)
- Riley Robenstein (BS Wildlife)
- Mia Wanstrom (BS Wildlife)
- Bidhi Paudel (BS Comp. Sci.)
- Robbie Reinhardt (BS Comp. Sci.)



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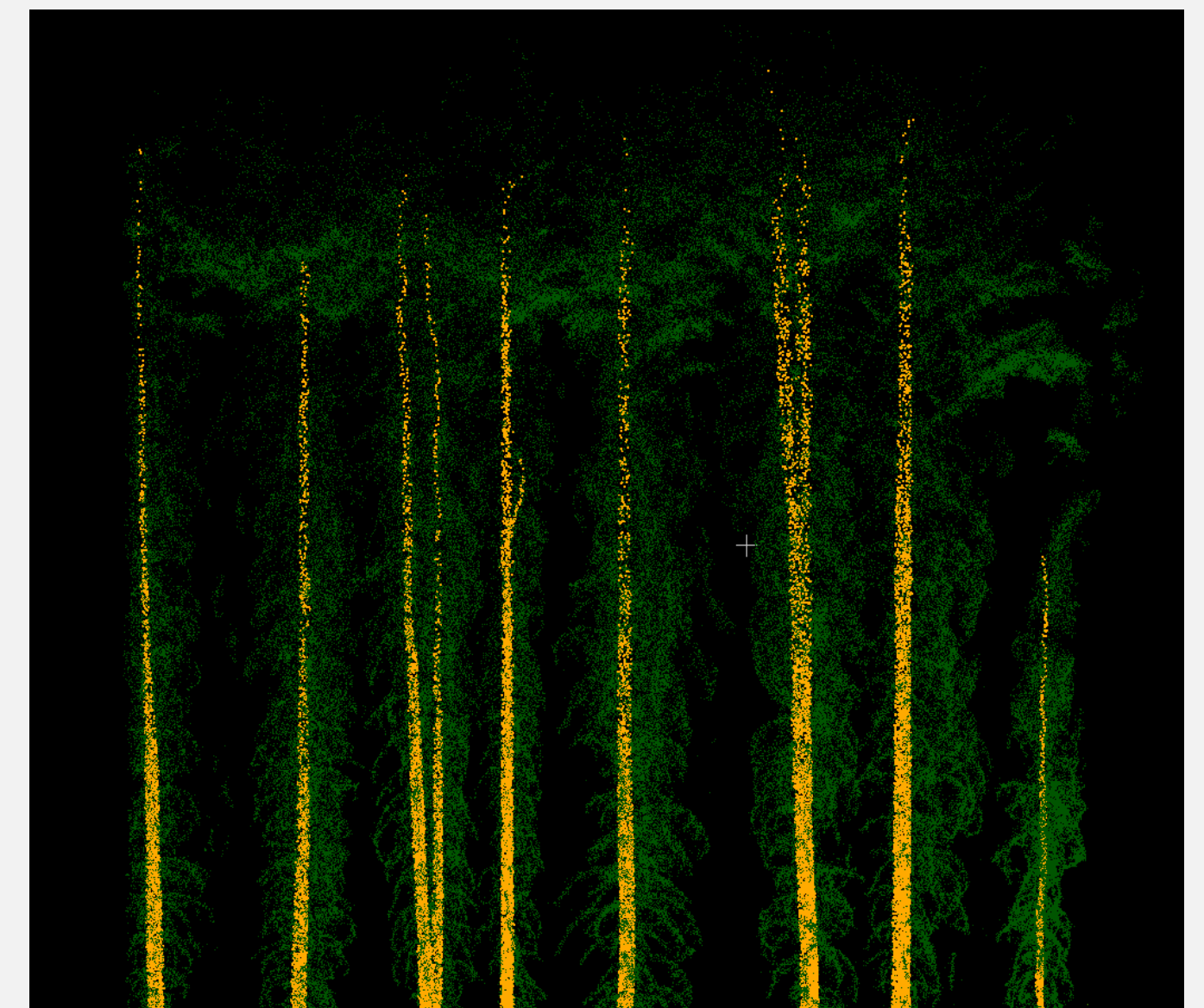
## MEASURING STEM DIAMETER W/GEIGER LIDAR - MS





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## ASSESSING SILVICULTURE EFFECTS ON TAPER W/SLAM



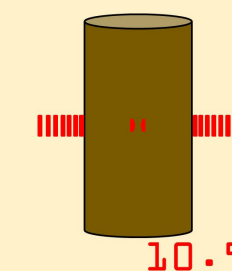
### Current Projects

PotlatchDeltic - MOE

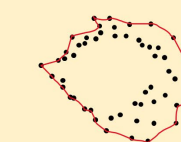
IFC – PPDM

CIPS – SMC/NWTIC/VMRC

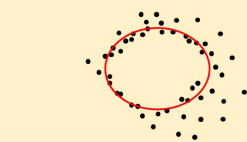
1. Criterion



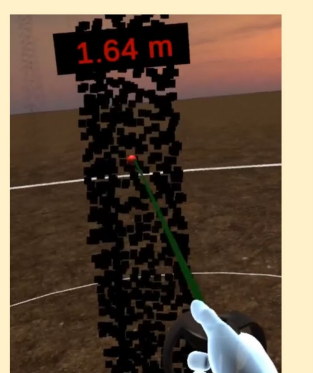
2. Convex Hull



3. RANSAC (x2)



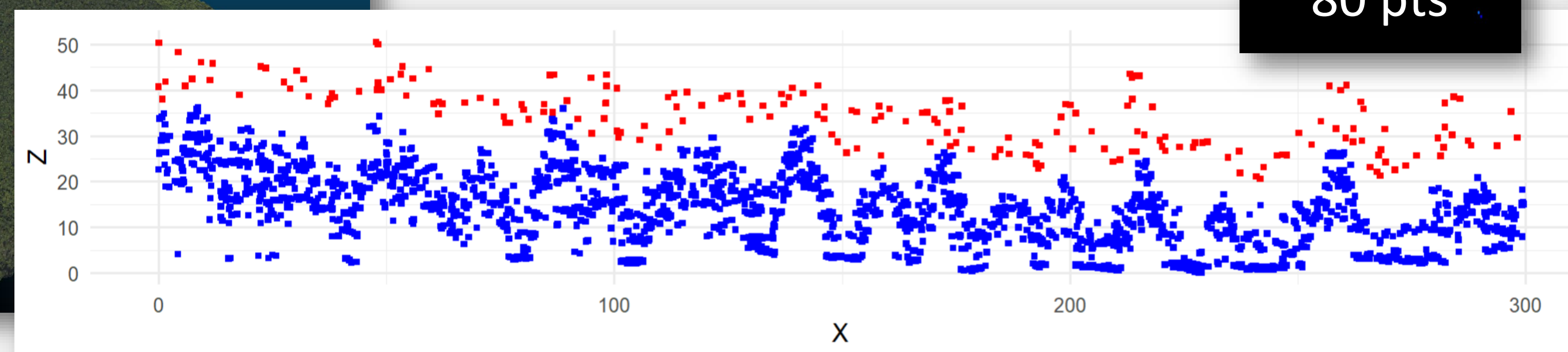
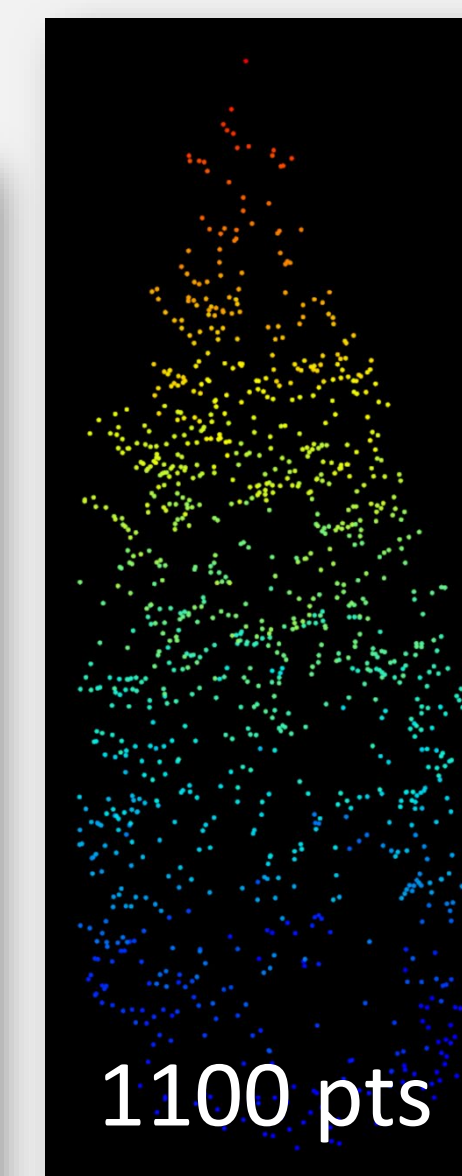
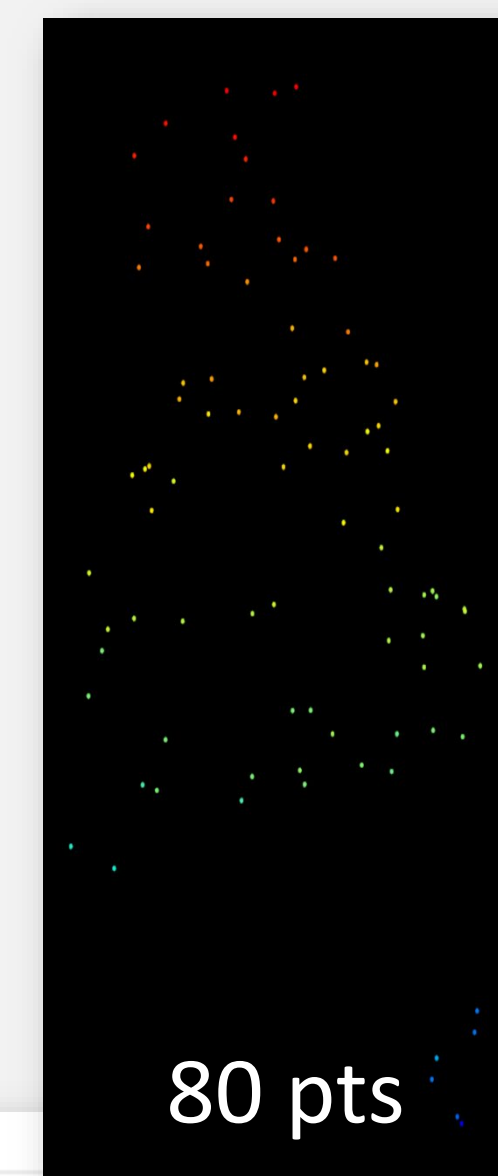
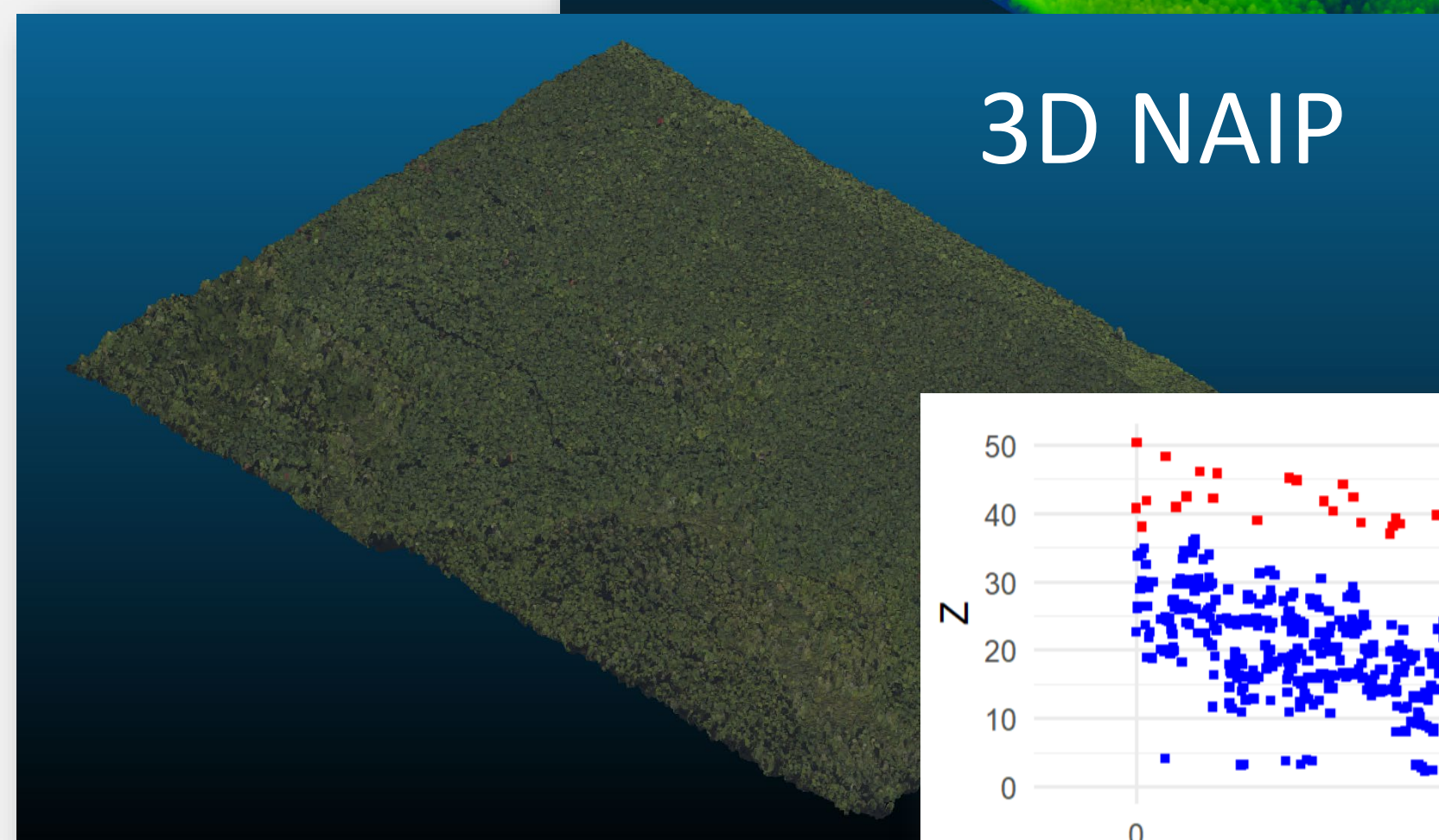
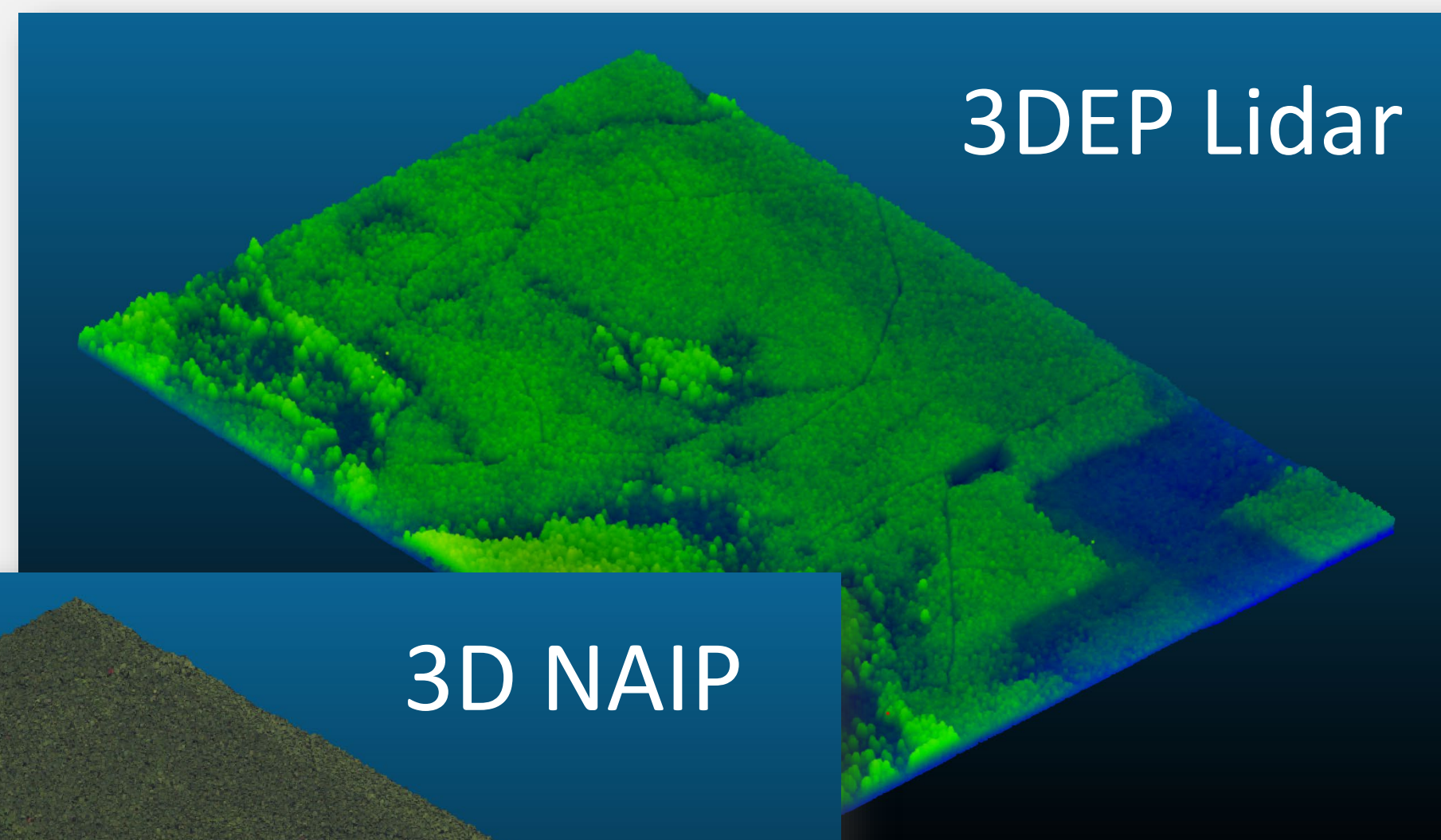
4. VR Forest





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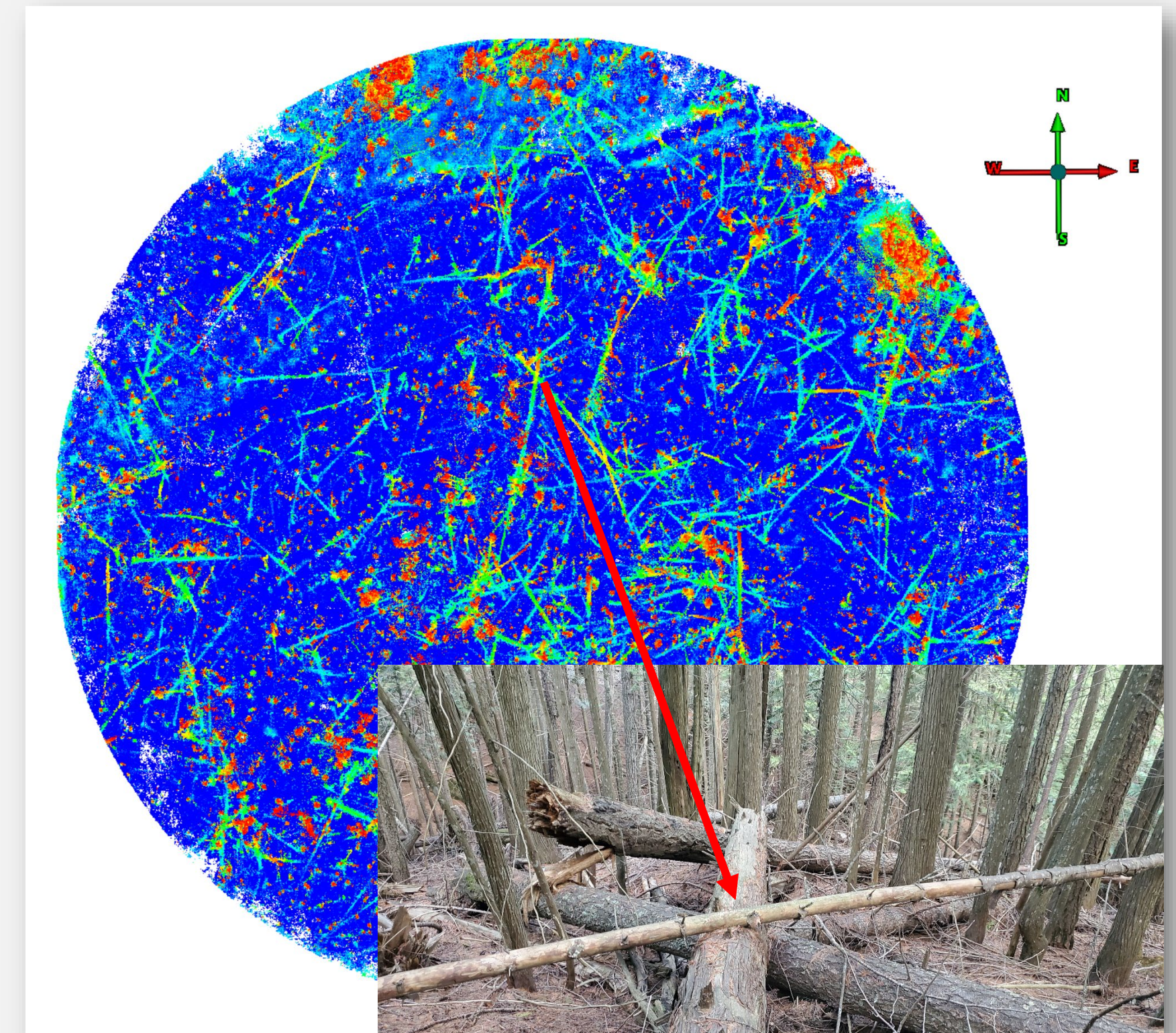
## MAPPING SITE PRODUCTIVITY W/3D NAIP + 3DEP LIDAR





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FUEL/BIOMASS MODELING W/GIEGER LIDAR - FUTURE





**NETWORKING FOR THE NEXT  
GENERATION OF RS  
INFORMED G&Y MODELS**

Leveraging CAFS, IDF, FII,  
Mensurationist Societies,  
GMUG, OLI

**SPECIES IDENTIFICATION  
& MAPPING**

Leverage Free & Evolving  
Technology  
NAIP, Geiger

**APP DEVELOPMENT  
& DEPLOYMENT**

Turn Research into Application  
Web Apps, AGOL, GitHub

**FIRE & FUELS MODELING  
& MAPPING**

Geiger LiDAR for Estimating  
Landscape Fuel Loading





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