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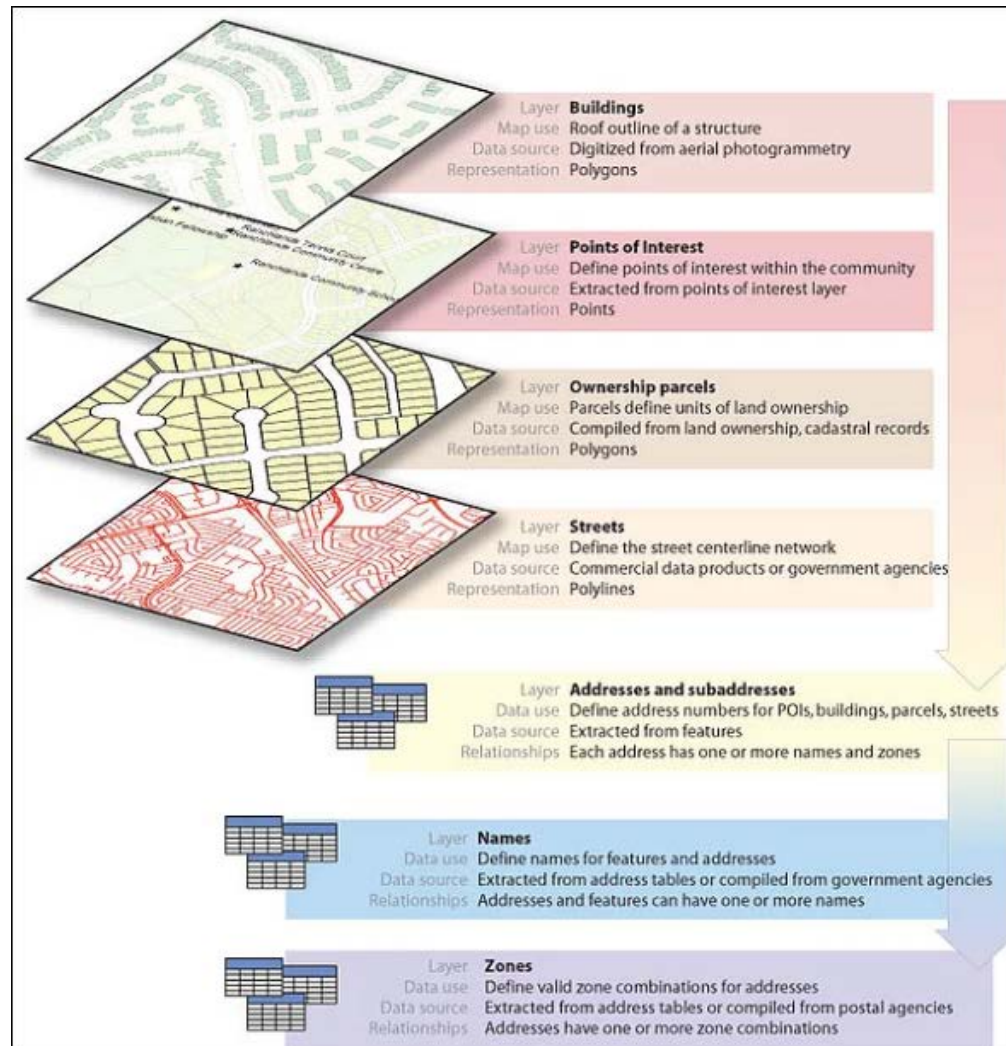


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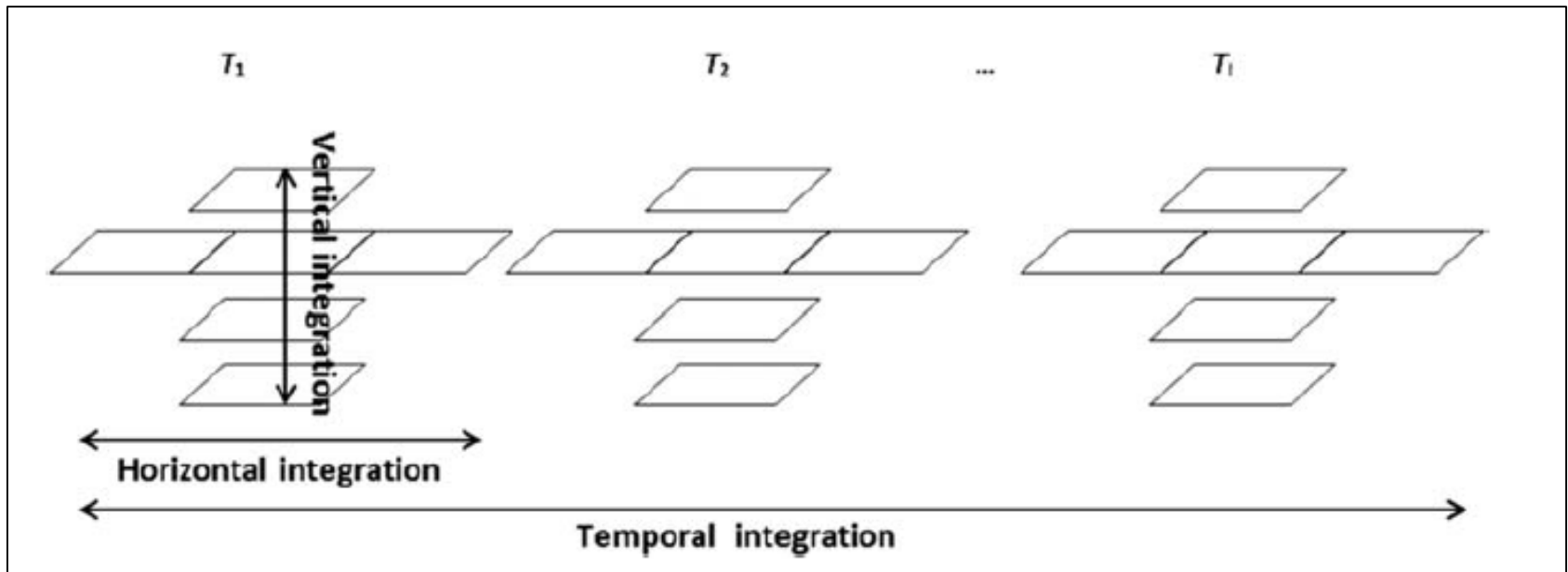
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GIS is Information Rich





Comparisons across Space & Time

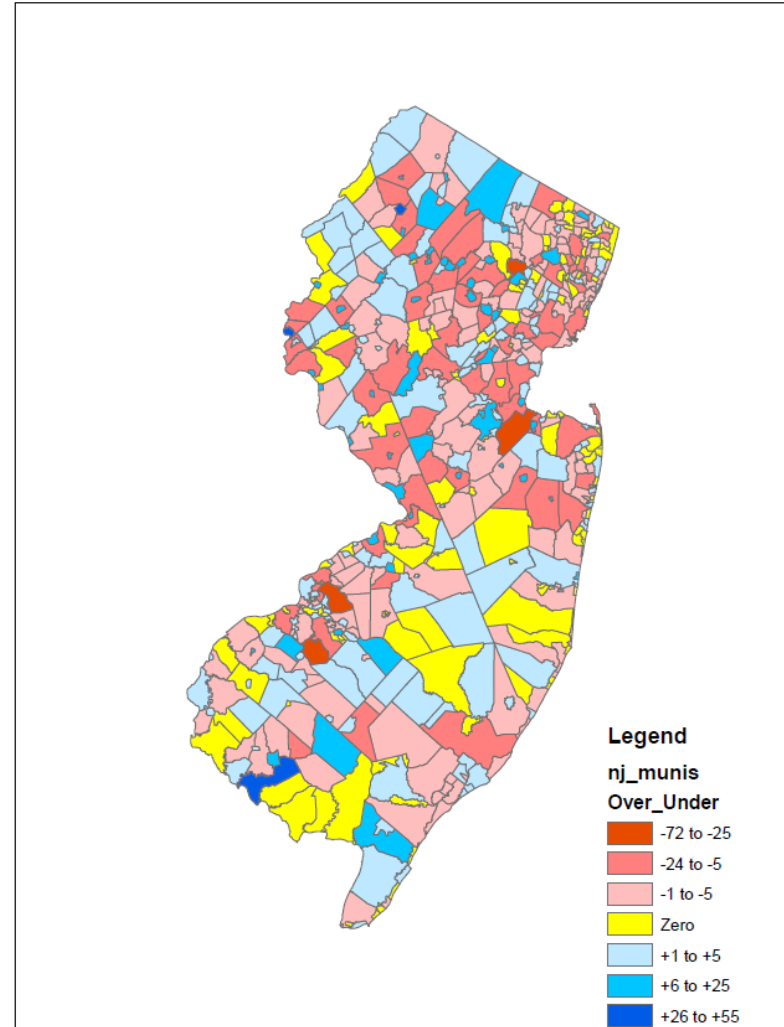




Gold Star Standard data



- Successfully used GIS to analyze error rates in data on NJ Clean Energy Program offerings
- Data originally compiled by Zip Code
- Converting from Zip Code to municipality leads to large errors
- By geocoding individual projects, we were able to identify the magnitude of the errors
- Corrected data highlighted the success of past campaigns by Green teams

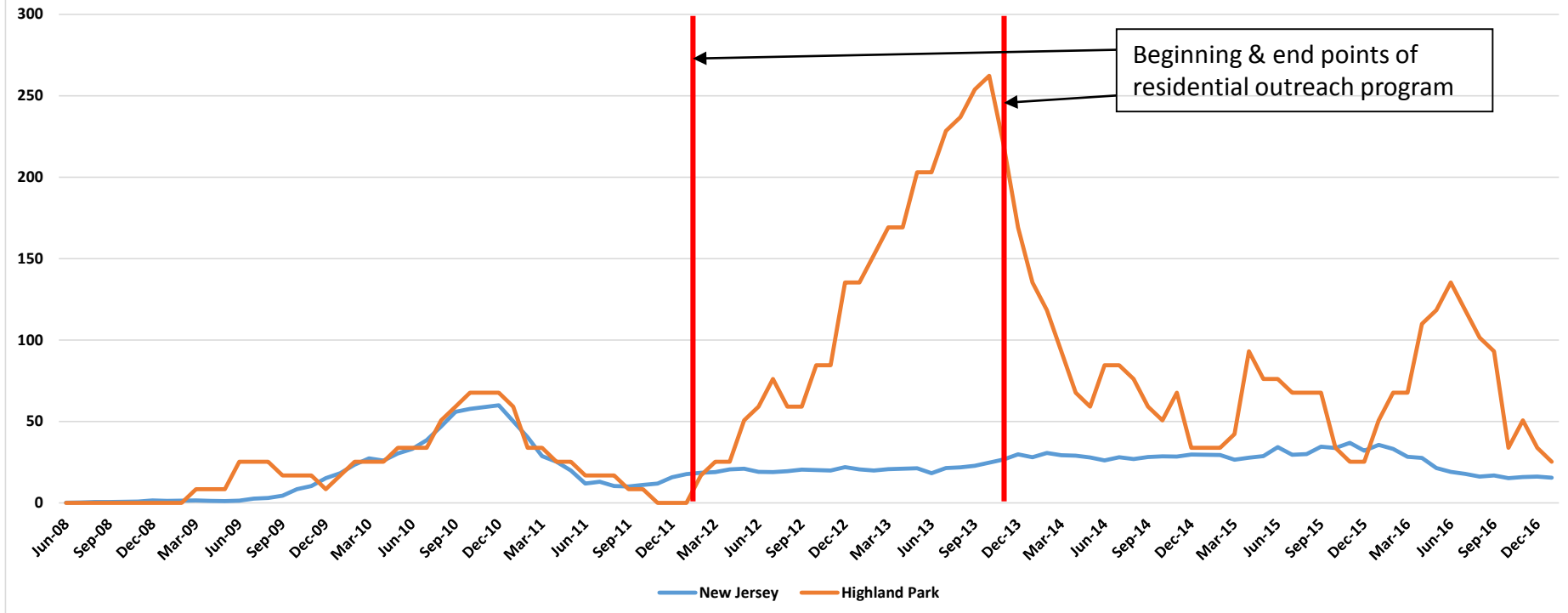




Highland Park Residential Energy Outreach Program history

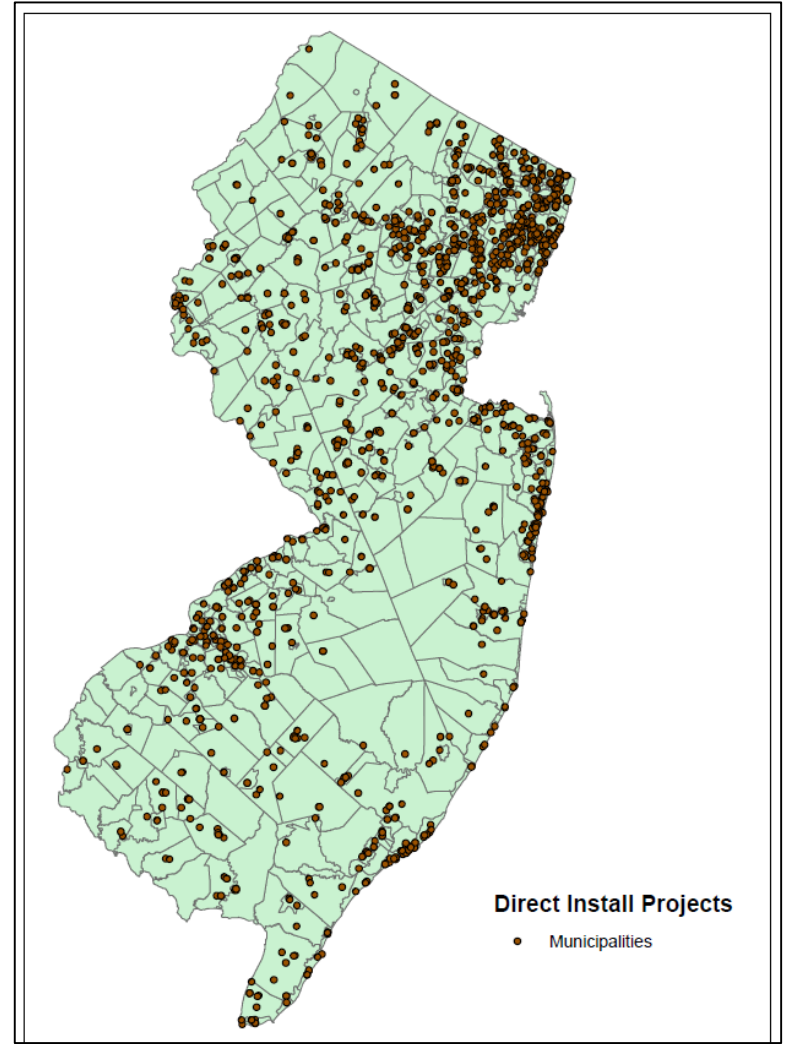
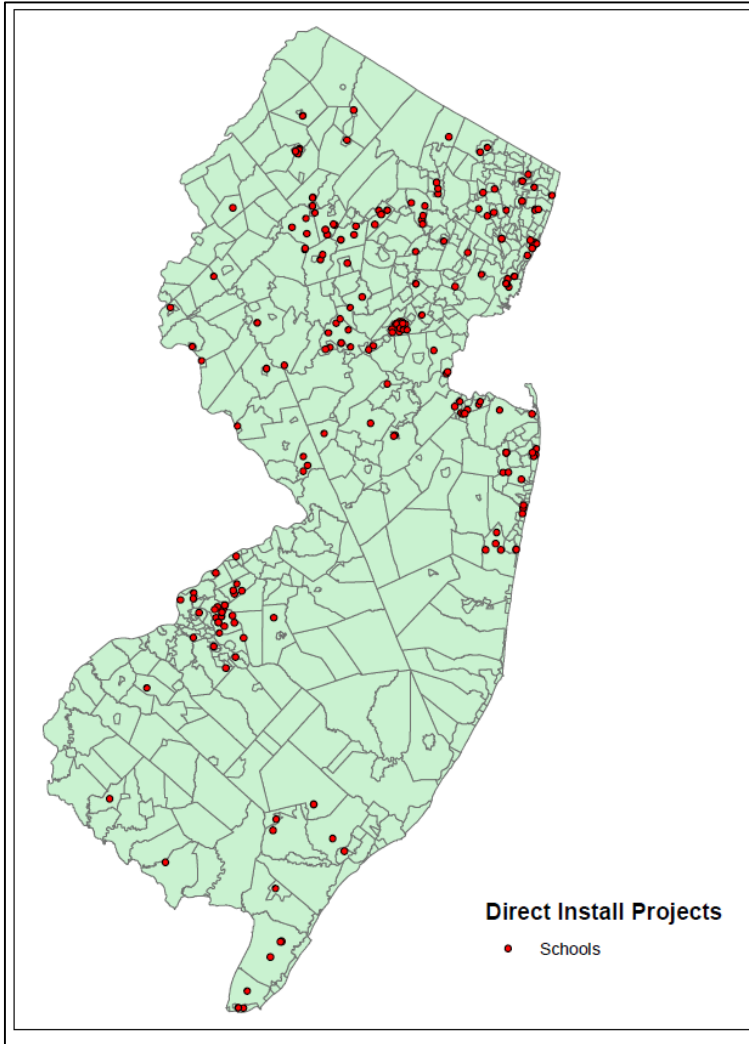


Home Performance with ENERGY STAR completions per 100,000 eligible homes



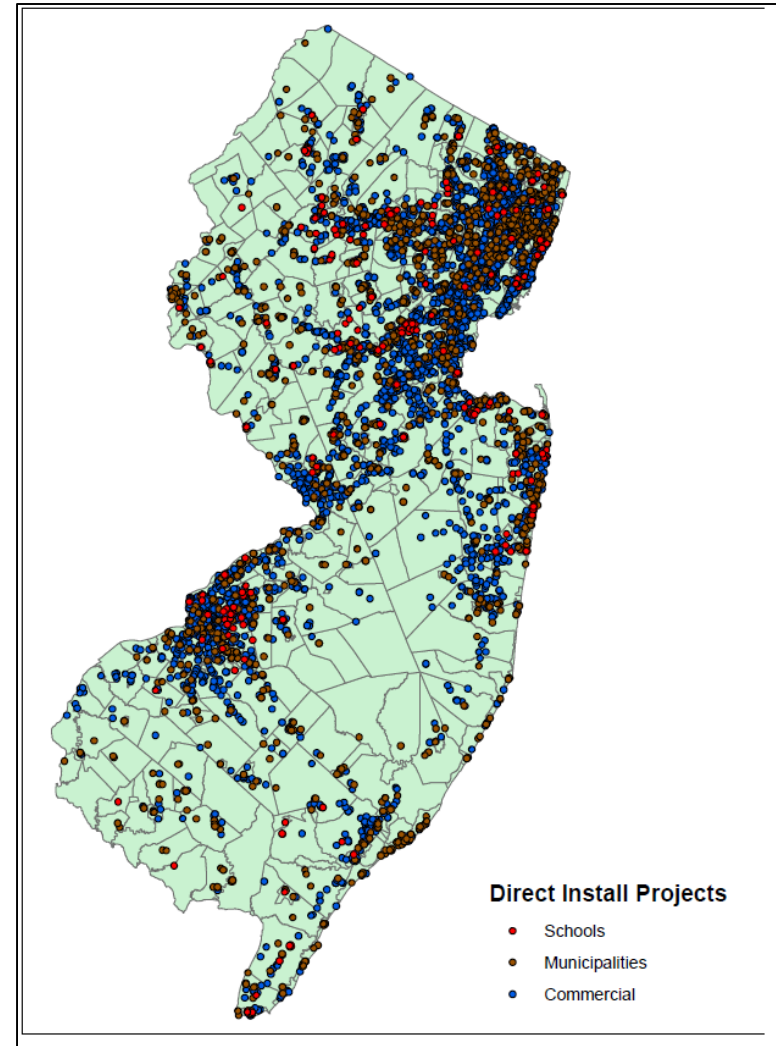
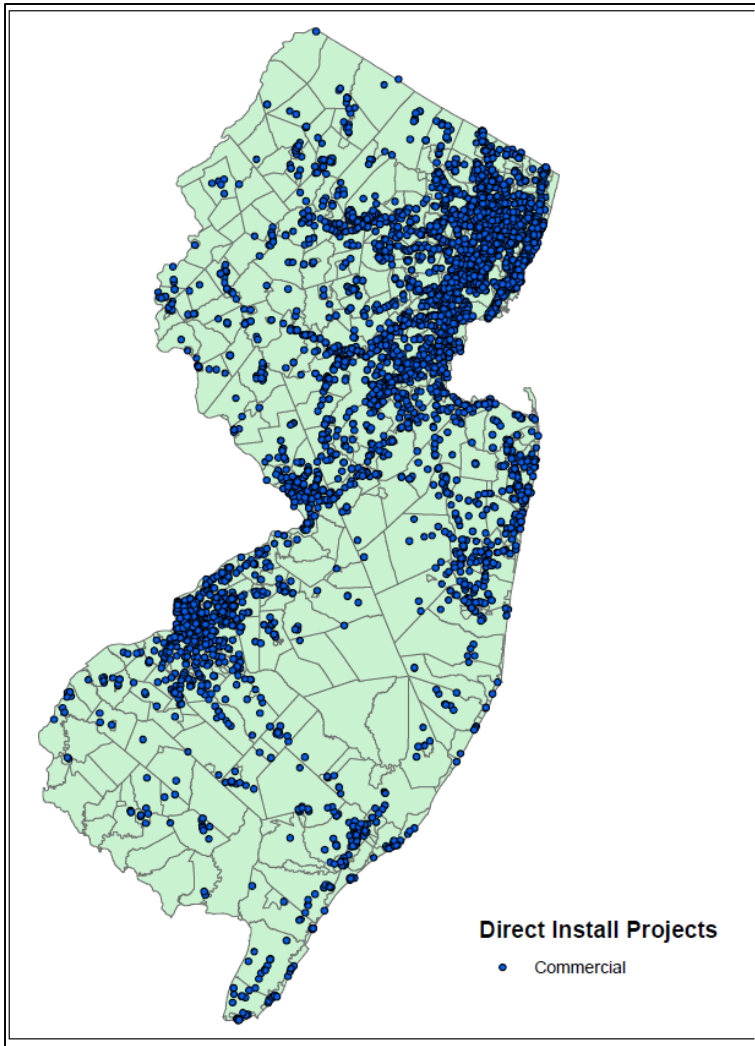


Identifying Potential for Commercial Outreach Campaigns

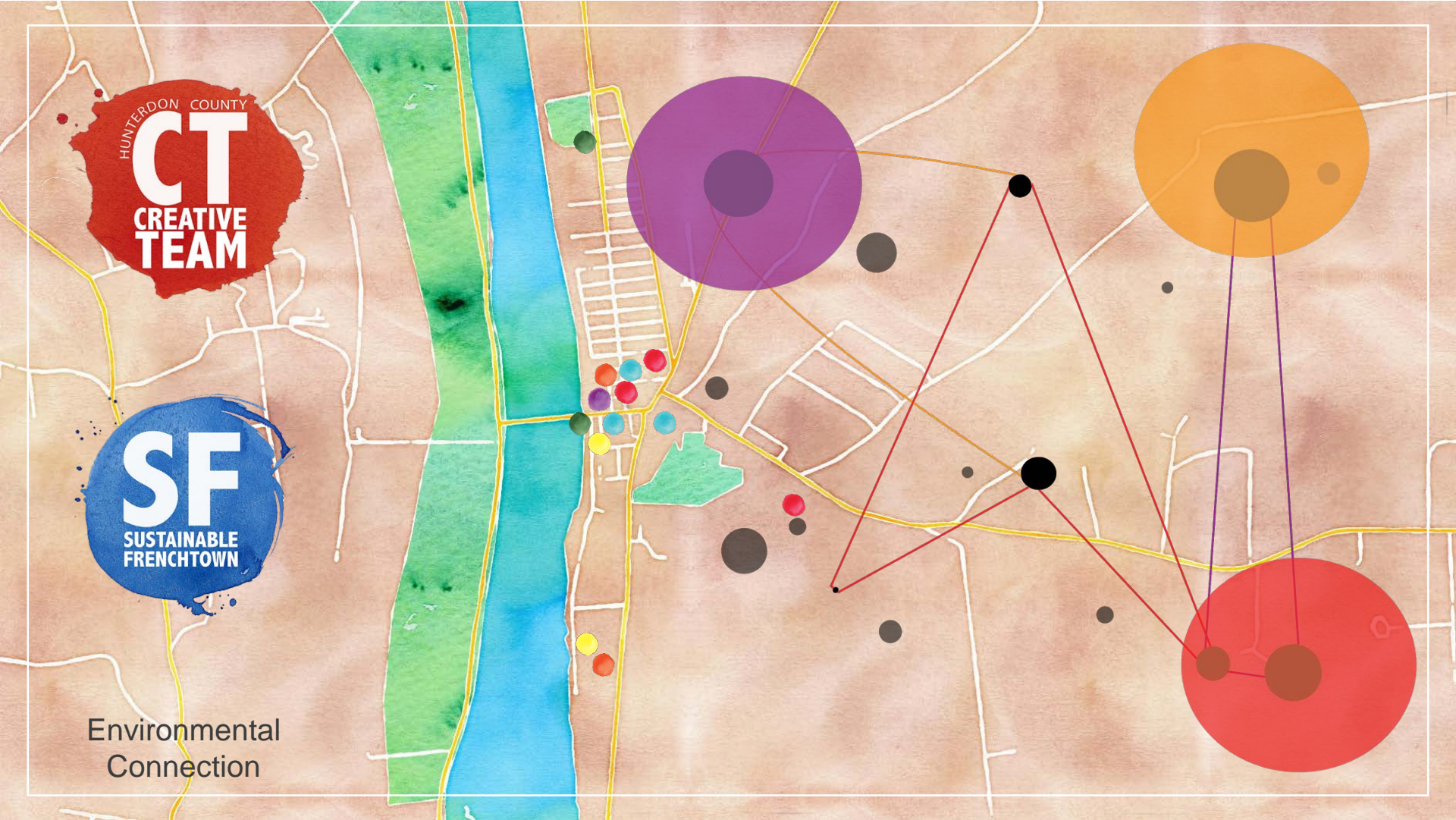




Identifying Potential for Commercial Outreach Campaigns



Hunterdon County Creative Assets Inventory





A Creative Community.

BUSINESSES



Associations



EVENTS

**SUPPORTING
RESOURCES**



ORGANIZATIONS

PLACES

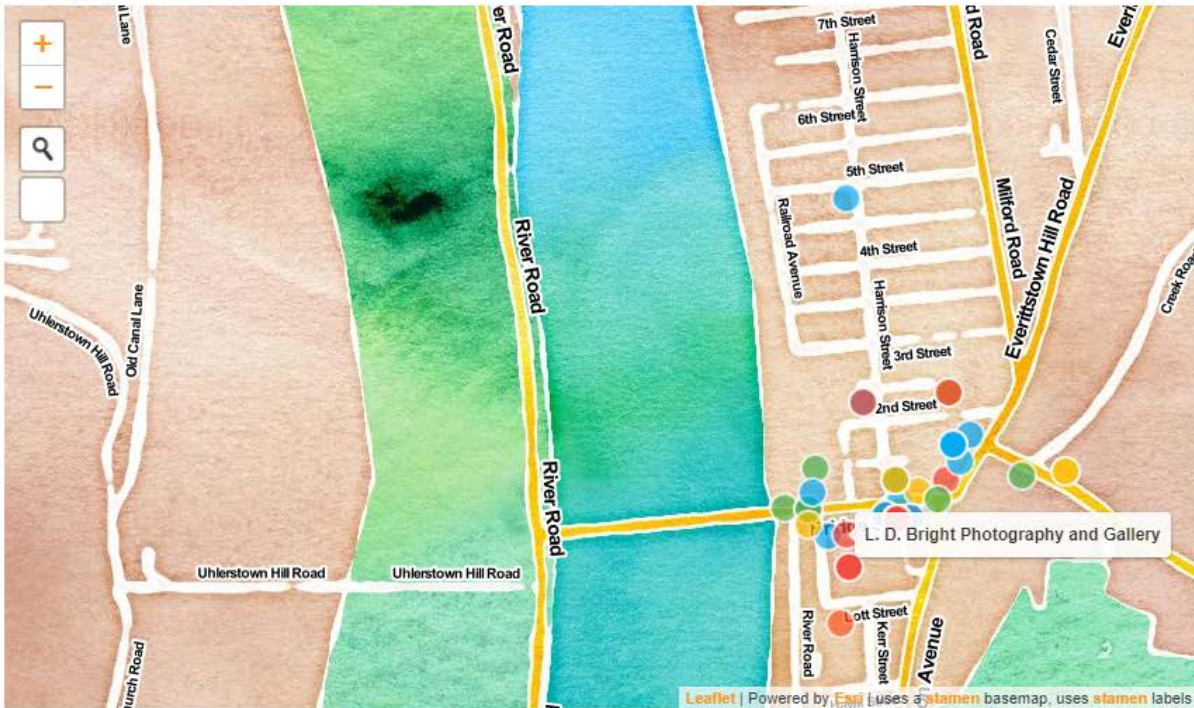


PEOPLE





CREATIVE ASSETS INVENTORY



● Creative People -- Cultural Professionals and Artists

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- Events
- Supporting
- Cluster (click/zoom!)



CREATIVE ASSETS INVENTORY

- ABOUT
- MAP
- DIRECTORY
- GET INVOLVED
- ADD AN ASSET!

ASSETS ENTERED SO FAR: 155

CREATIVE PEOPLE -- CULTURAL PROFESSIONALS AND ARTISTS

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The business of artist John Spears. Site specific commission two dimensional art for health facilities, corporate and public buildings. See web sites for images and installations. Current local public works can be seen at the HMC Hunterdon Cancer Center, the County Justice Center and the new Platform One restaurant in Flemington. Also see video link at the bottom of the home page on the web sites to a retrospective show at the Beaver Brook Concourse Center.



ACT 2 BOOKS USED. FINE & RARE BOOKS

**We need
space**

11 PEOPLE

3 ORGANIZATIONS

2 businesses

2 events



**We HAVE
IMPACT**



**46 ASSETS
EMPLOY 279
PEOPLE**



We need
TO BE
SEEN

“there are People in the
Woodwork, peeking out their
heads.”

“a little hidden.”

“I need more
contact with other
artists.”

“I would love to become
integrated in the community.”

“more artists should
be exposed to the
world.”

A stylized map of a city with a river and various colored pins. The map is rendered in a painterly style with a warm, brownish-orange background. A prominent blue river flows vertically through the center. To the left of the river is a green area, possibly a park or forest. The city streets are depicted with thin white lines. Numerous colorful pins (red, green, yellow, blue, purple, orange) are scattered across the map, marking specific locations. The text is overlaid on the map in a clean, sans-serif font.

“Marvelous mix of eclectic artists +
CREATIVE Powerhouses

“richly creative community”

GREAT PLACE FOR
INSPIRATION + NEW IDEAS”

“FOSTERS CREATIVE
ENDEAVORS”

“AWESOME AND BECOMING A
MECCA”

“a perfect place To create +
thrive.”

We love
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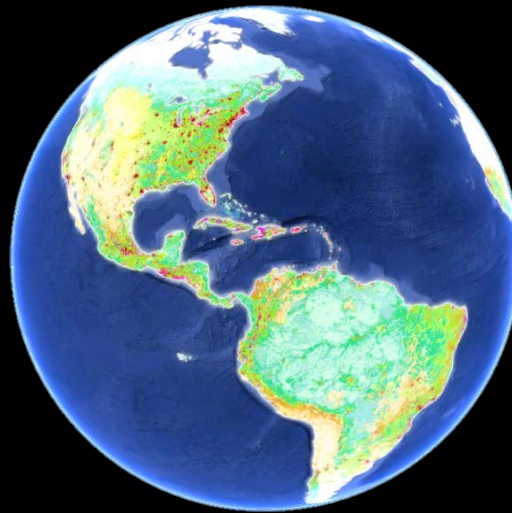
Geographic Information Systems & Social-Environmental Systems (from the perspective of Higher Education)

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- I. Mapping Social-Environmental Systems
- II. A few stories of the things I've done
- III. Department and School at Rowan University

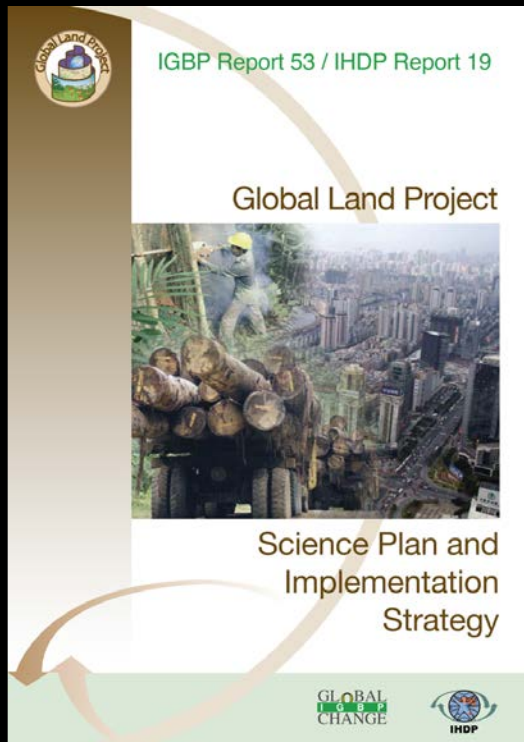
I. What Can Mapping
Social-Environmental Systems
Do For [Me | Us | Them | There]?

Why Map?

- Characterize current conditions and chronicle change
- Use maps as inputs to models to understand social and natural processes
- Use maps as tools for planning future activities and needs for humans and natural systems

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National and International Agendas



- How do **changes** in land management **decisions** and **practices** affect biochemistry, biodiversity, biophysical properties, and disturbance regimes of terrestrial and freshwater **ecosystems**?
- How do **changes** in ecosystem **structure** and **functioning** affect the **delivery** of ecosystem **services**?
- How do **people** **respond** at various **scales** and in different **contexts** to changes in ecosystem service **provision**?
- How do the **vulnerability** and **resilience** of land **systems** to **hazards** and **disturbances** vary in response to changes in human-environment **interactions**?

What to ask about social-environmental systems?

Geographic Information Systems

- How is information spatial?
- What insights are revealed through cartography and spatial analysis?
- How can these insights best be communicated to a chosen audience?

Geographic Information Science

- What is the relationship between modeled information and reality?
- Do we have the right models and tools to encode and analyze this situation?

Remotely Sensed Earth Observations

- What is the scalar relationship between the observation and the phenomenon?
- What factors are missing from the observed proxies?

Field & Virtual Observations

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II. Me and a few stories of
the things I've done, with
GIS, related to Sustainability





**Model
Landscape
Conditions
& Change**

**Estimate
Human
Impacts &
Vulnerability**

**Engage
Practitioner
Communities**

Sustainability as monitoring landscape change & identifying natural or human forces



Quantifying uncertainty and confusion in land change analyses: a case study from central Mexico using MODIS data

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Keywords: land change; land cover; MODIS; Mexico; remote sensing; urbanization

1. Introduction

Quantifying land cover change (Townshend et al. 1991; scapes, due to natural processes, is an innovative, systematic method (Rogan 2004). The wide sources of error that exist in land change analysis (Christman 1991; Powell for land change analysis can be distorted maps for land change an

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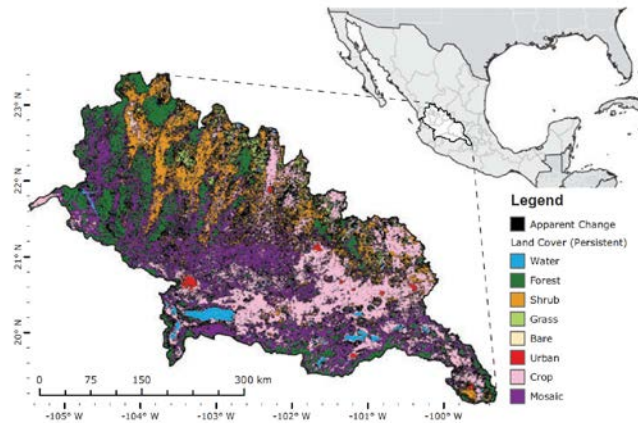


Figure 1. Study area location of Lerma-Chapala-Santiago (LCS) watershed, with apparent change and persistence, 2001–2007. For full color versions of the figures in this paper, please see the online version.

Article

Distinguishing Land Change from Natural Variability and Uncertainty in Central Mexico with MODIS EVI, TRMM Precipitation, and MODIS LST Data

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Precipitation and temperature are key factors in the condition of land cover, as well as the influence of vegetative variability in the landscape. This study employs a multiple linear regression model to assess the influence of precipitation and temperature on vegetation variability in the Lerma-Chapala-Santiago watershed. The model is used to assess the influence of precipitation and temperature on vegetation variability in the Lerma-Chapala-Santiago watershed. The model is used to assess the influence of precipitation and temperature on vegetation variability in the Lerma-Chapala-Santiago watershed.

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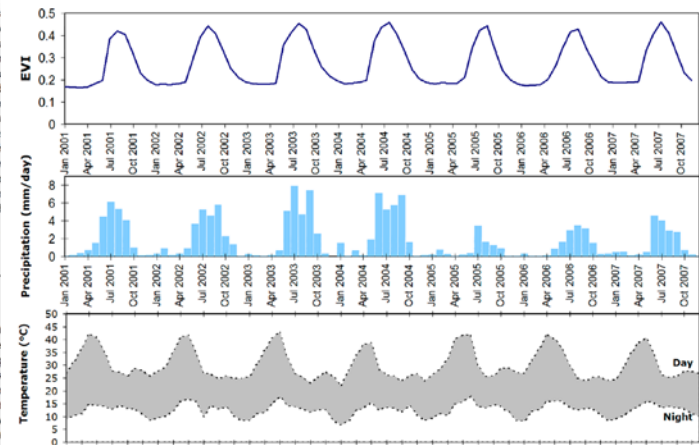


Figure 2. Average Monthly Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI), Precipitation, and Temperature, 2001–2007, for entire the Lerma-Chapala-Santiago watershed.

Sustainability as Evaluating Natural and Social Impacts & Responses to Environmental Disturbances



Quantifying vegetative variability and patterns of landscape change in the Mexican Yucatán Peninsula before, during, and after Hurricane Dean, August, 2007

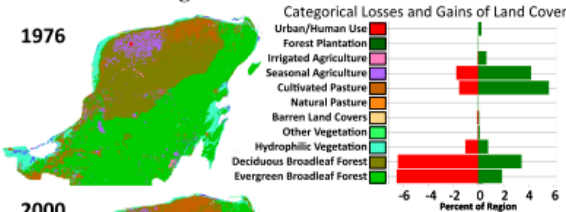
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Introduction and Study Area

This study evaluates changes in land cover and condition in the Mexican Yucatán Peninsula, with specific focus on the regional conditions surrounding Hurricane Dean, which struck the peninsula as a category 5 hurricane on August 21, 2007. Hurricane Dean was the strongest storm of the 2007 Atlantic hurricane season, with sustained winds exceeding 280 km/h upon landfall. The Yucatán peninsula of Mexico is a landscape subject to frequent tropical storm events (Boose et al. 2003), and prior to Hurricane Dean, at least 4 other major hurricanes and numerous smaller storms have made landfall in this region. Hurricane Dean passed directly across the Mesoamerican Biological Corridor, between the National Biosphere Reserves of San Ka'an and Calakmul.

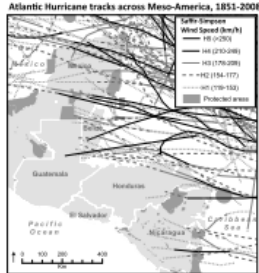
The study area was defined as the corridor between these reserves along the path of Dean, covering approximately 26,870 km of southern Quintana Roo and southeastern Campeche, near the Mexico/Guatemala border. Land cover across the region is a mixture of semi-subsistence agriculture, pasture, and tropical semi-deciduous forests, and land use practices are typically smallerholder agriculture under communal management, with increasing mechanization and privatization across the region (Turner II et al. 2007; Vester et al. 2007).

Recent Land Change across the Yucatán Peninsula



From 1976 to 2000, the Yucatán Peninsula has been subjected to a variety of changes to both natural and anthropogenic land covers. In addition to the expansion of urban centers across the peninsula, there has been loss of forest cover in exchange for increased cultivated pastures and agricultural uses. Further, a pattern of increased deciduous activity in the broadleaf forest has expanded across the region, marked by seasonal loss of leaf cover, especially in response to drought stress. Overall, more than 32% of this landscape experienced a categorical change in land cover during this 24-year period, with dramatic changes in the southeastern state of Quintana Roo, near the city of Chetumal.

Land Cover Maps from the Mexican National Institute of Statistics and Geography (INEGI) and the Center for Investigation in Environmental Geography (CIG-3) of the National Autonomous University of Mexico (UNAM), after May et al. (2004)



Rapid Reconnaissance Mapping and Image Evaluation

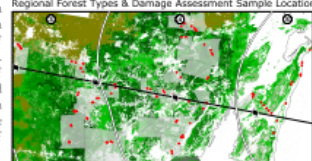
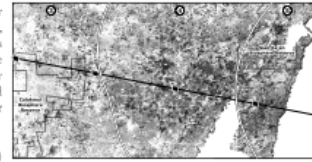
Damage to forest resulting from Hurricane Dean was directly evaluated through *in situ* visual observations conducted between May and August 2008, approximately 7-8 months after Hurricane Dean, near the peak of expected forest productivity. Ninety-three field plots were defined by a 250 x 250m perimeter (analogous to one coarse-resolution pixel), located in the center of a relatively contiguous forest stand. Canopy cover, tree damage assessment, and general site characteristics were recorded in four intra-plot linear transects.

Using coarse-resolution Enhanced Vegetation Index (EVI) composites from the Moderate Resolution Imaging Spectroradiometer (MODIS) products MOD13Q1 (Terra) and MYD13Q1 (Aqua), we sought to characterize post-storm impacts upon vegetative vigor using linear differencing. Sequences of MODIS Terra and Aqua EVI composite products were vetted to select an appropriate combination of pre- and post-hurricane imagery to best represent storm damage. To avoid issues of sensor calibration differences and changing diurnal atmospheric effects associated with cloud and air humidity involved in hurricane events, only pairs of images from the same MODIS platform were used to assess damage. Damage map accuracy was evaluated through a simple percentage of sites of agreement and disagreement between the ground plots and the map. The most accurate damage map was derived from pre-hurricane image date 217 (5 August 2007) and post-hurricane image date 249 (6 September 2007), with an overall agreement of 91.4% between the ground reference locations and the damage map.

Characterizing Variability Before and After the Storm

Across the region, 83% of the study area pixels experienced a net decrease in EVI between pre- and post-storm conditions, with a majority of these locations demonstrating 15-50% net loss of EVI during this period. All hurricane wind speed zones demonstrated an immediate loss of vegetative vigor, with greatest decreases in regions under category 5 wind conditions. Especially notable is an immediate loss of vegetative vigor from August to September of 2007, especially in comparison to a "normal year" (e.g. 2006), as forests in this region do not normally lose greenness during this period. Examination of the temporal sequences of EVI composites demonstrate the regular pattern of forest greening during the wet season with loss of greenness during the dry seasons of December to May. This regular pattern is sharply interrupted in August 2007, following the storm, and net impacts over the year demonstrate that not only was there an immediate loss in vegetative vigor, but the forests of the interior Yucatán failed to reach their normal maxima.

Hurricane Damage based on Apparent Loss of Vegetative Vigor



Seasonal Variability in MODIS EVI Composites, 2000-2010

Hurricane Wind Zone	Intermediate Post-Storm Change		Impact over the year	
	2007 (Aug 15-18)	2007 (Aug 15-18)	2007 (Aug 15-18)	2007 (Aug 15-18)
1	0.016	-0.265	0.14	-0.209
2	0.016	-1.105	0.143	-0.209
3	0.016	-2.006	0.143	-0.209
4	0.016	-2.205	0.143	-0.209
5	0.016	-2.205	0.143	-0.209

Impacts by Forest Type and Condition

Further exploring this effect, our project has attempted to update land cover maps across the region to the level of forest type, and have prepared a preliminary map of forest type using Landsat ETM+ imagery from 2009-2010. Average loss of vegetative vigor was extracted from plot locations based upon differencing from pre- and post-Hurricane conditions and stratified by forest type and wind speed zone. In comparison to the MODIS EVI composite series, the pattern of apparent loss of vegetative vigor demonstrated an inverse relationship to forest stand height. Notably, the variable impacts by storm with strength also relate to the prevalence of each forest type by zone, with taller-stature forests (Selva Mediana and Alta) containing more biomass, but these types are primarily located inland, where wind speeds were lower and topographic effects are somewhat more pronounced. Initial results also demonstrate that semi-deciduous forests, known as subcaducifolia, experienced the least loss of vegetative vigor in the post-storm context, which may imply the resilience of these forest types to natural disturbance events.

Conclusions and Ongoing Research Efforts

Results from this study demonstrate the effectiveness of MODIS standard vegetation products for the detection and quantification of post-disturbance loss of vegetative vigor through linear differencing. These variable effects have a directly relationship to storm intensity and forest stature, and show some relation to a seasonal deciduous pattern of leaf loss in the tropical dry forest. Efforts are underway to refine the 2009-2010 land cover map to incorporate non-forest classes and to quantify the magnitude and extent of seasonal deciduous effects. The Environmental Disturbance in the Greater Yucatán (EDGY) project is now investigating the regrowth and resilience of forested ecosystems with ongoing field revisit plots, as well as relating the impact of Hurricane Dean on forest ecosystems to human livelihoods and communities across the region.

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Sustainability as how a “Green City” is experienced differently by residents, Philadelphia





Tree-lined lanes or vacant lots? Evaluating non-stationarity between urban greenness and socio-economic conditions in Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, USA at multiple scales

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ABSTRACT

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This paper investigates the non-stationary relationship between metrics of urban greenness and socio-economic conditions across Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, U.S.A. at multiple scales using Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) and Geographically Weighted Regression (GWR) techniques. The analysis integrates environmental data on vegetation cover, using Normalized Difference Vegetation Index (NDVI) values derived from 30 m pixel Landsat Thematic Mapper imagery, with land use data derived from the 2000 City of Philadelphia Licenses and Inspections Department Vacancy Survey and socioeconomic data at the U.S. Census Tract level from the 2000 U.S. Census. City-wide OLS, sub-city zone OLS and local GWR models were developed by regressing mean NDVI against three independent variables for each Census Tract: population density, median household income, and percentage of vacant lots. These models indicate that the strength and nature of the relationship among the variables varies spatially, with highly localized relationships not evident with the global regression models alone. Results suggest that while wealth is a strong predictor of vegetation vigor in some neighborhoods in Philadelphia, this relationship changes drastically across a heterogeneous urban environment. This paper contributes to the growing body of academic research on GWR and the urban ecology of dynamic urban human-environmental contexts.

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Introduction

The quantified relationship between urban vegetation and the socio-economic conditions of residents has been a longstanding topic of interest, with renewed attention in the context of urban greening programs and a shifting urban population. Previous research on the relationship between urban vegetation cover and socio-economic variables suggests the comparison of remotely sensed metrics of greenness with socioeconomic variables can yield novel insights regarding the relationship of urban denizens to their surrounding environmental conditions (Gatrell & Jensen, 2002; Mesev & Longley, 1999), and that increased vegetative vigor implies favorable social conditions (Jensen, Gatrell, Boulton, & Harper, 2004; Landry & Chakraborty, 2009; Li & Weng, 2007; Lo & Faber, 1997; Pozzi & Small, 2001). Many of these studies conclude that green vegetation may be a useful indicator of wealth in an area;

however, most of these studies are conducted in a single location (e.g. Terre Haute, Indiana), and the applicability of these findings to different cities remains an area for further research (Lafary, Gatrell, & Jensen, 2008). This paper evaluates the relationship between vegetation and socio-economic conditions in the context of a diverse and heterogeneous city in the United States, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania, where vacant lots resulting from dramatic population decline and a growing esthetic for green urban infrastructure contribute to increasing vegetation cover (Nowak, Hoehn III, Crane, Stevens, & Walton, 2007).

This study employs three different approaches, including a city-wide Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) regression, a sub-city zone OLS regression, and a local regression technique, Geographically Weighted Regression (GWR), to assess non-stationarity in this relationship across Philadelphia, Pennsylvania at multiple scales. Geographically Weighted Regression (GWR) has been widely employed to highlight spatially varying relationships, capturing local variations in a way that global regression techniques, such as Ordinary Least Squares regression, may obscure (Ogneva-Himmelberger, Pearsall, & Rakshit, 2009; Ogneva-Himmelberger,

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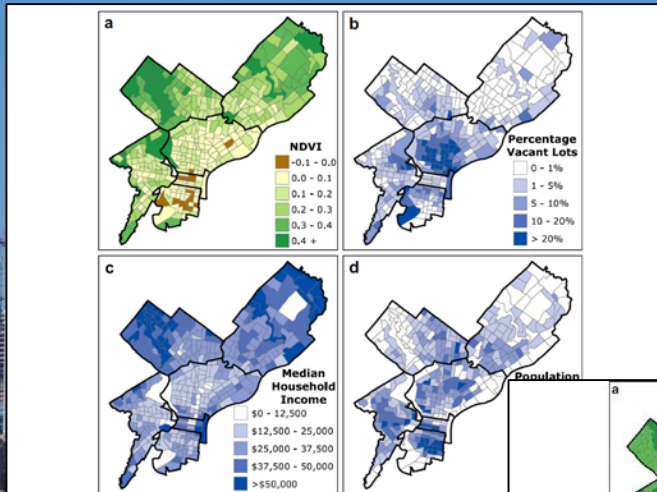


Fig. 2. Vegetation and social variables across Philadelphia, including a) NDVI b) Percentage vacant lots c) Median household income d) Population.

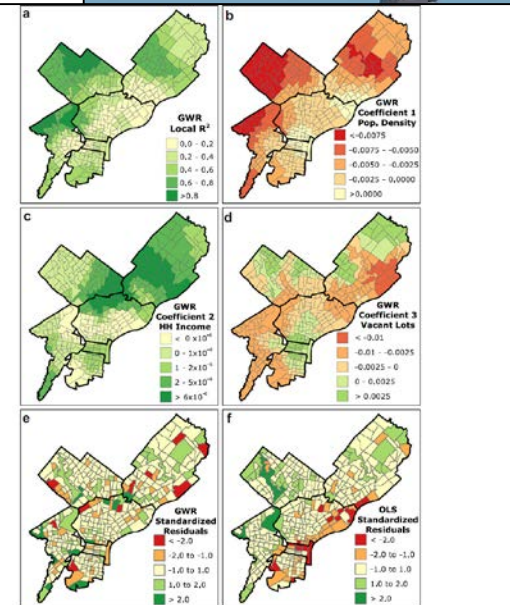
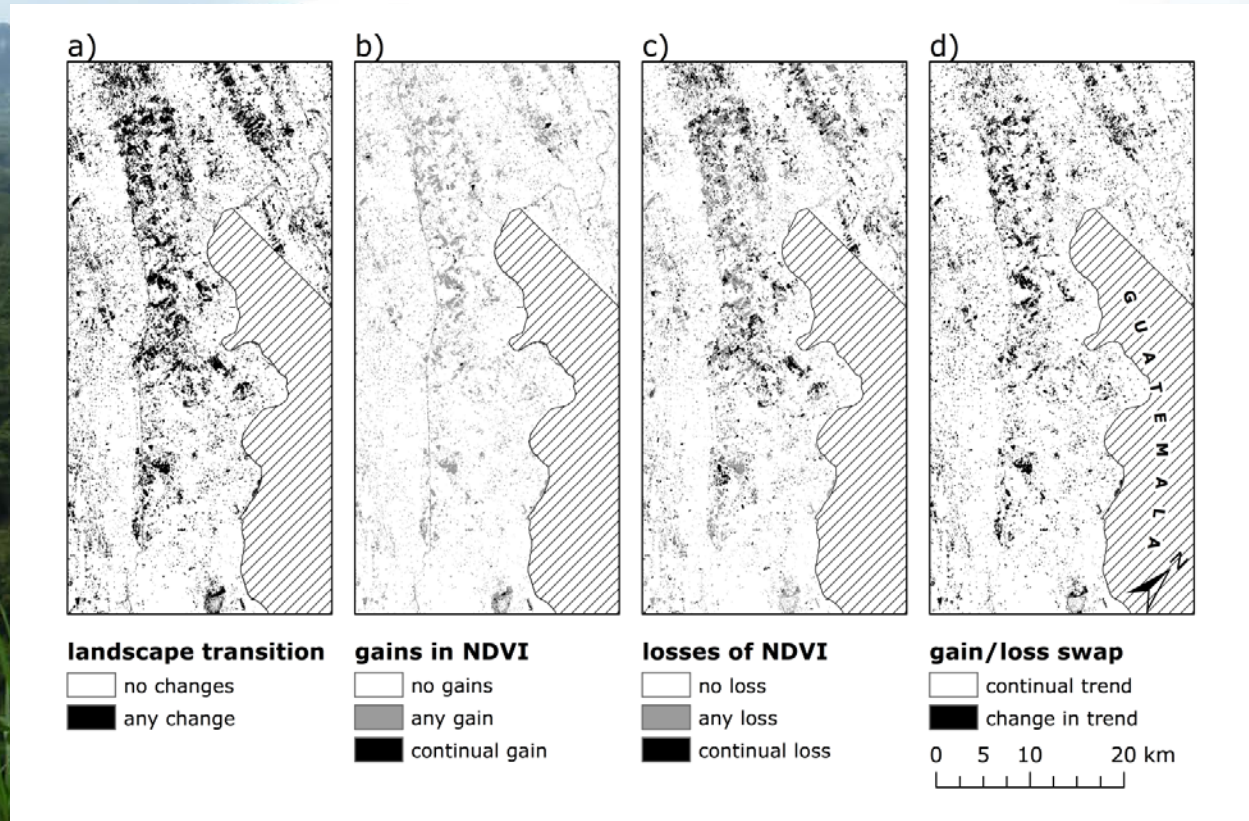
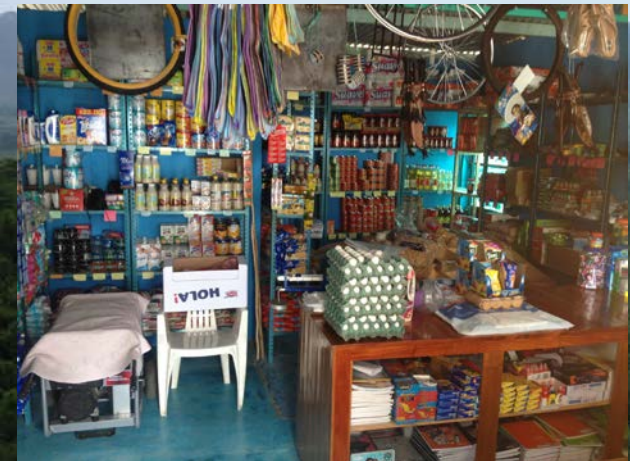


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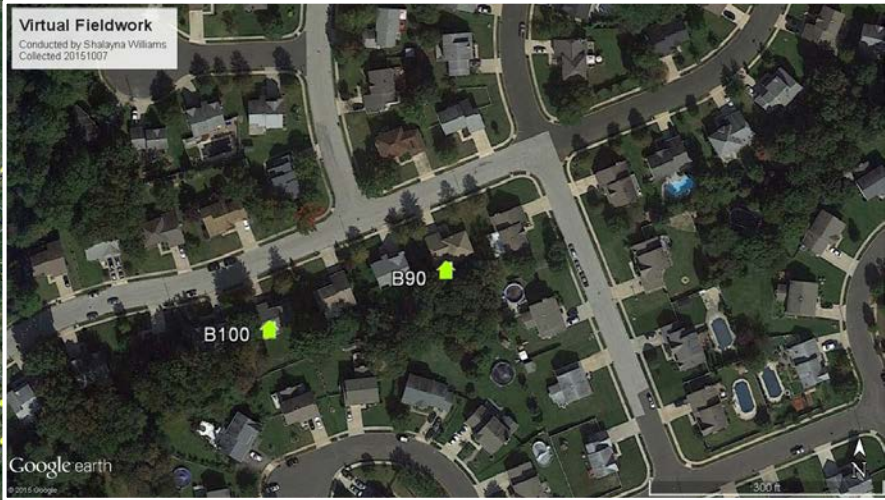
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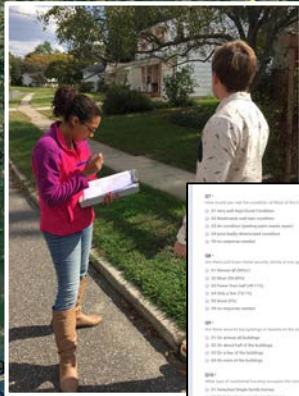
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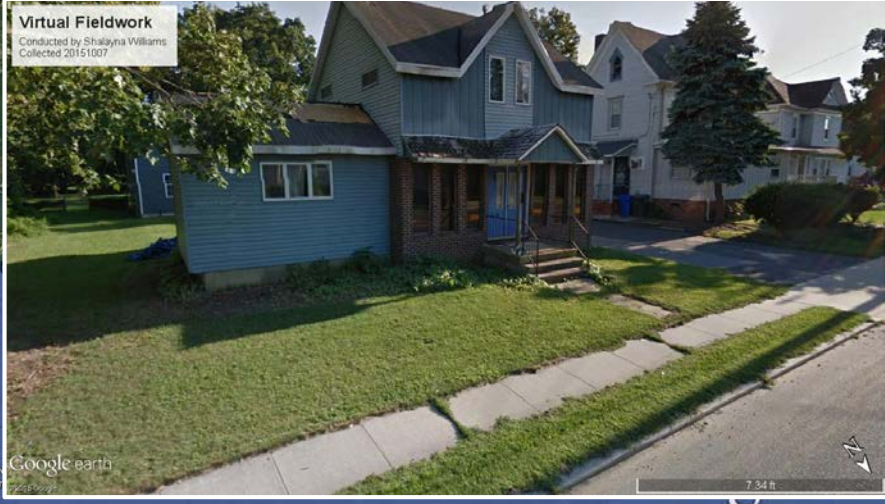
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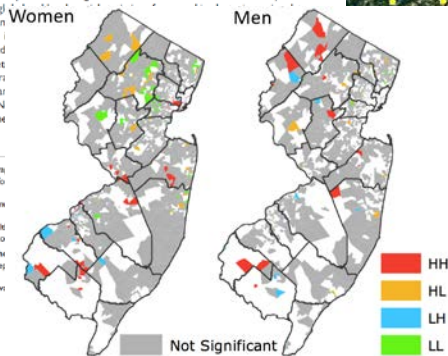
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Abstract
The spatial distribution of obesity among the older population can yield insights into the influence of contextual factors associated with this public health problem. We tested the relationship between neighborhood-level characteristics and body mass index (BMI) using geospatial regression models derived from a random sample of 50 to 74 residing in New Jersey. Results, including multivariate regression models, revealed that there was a significant relationship between BMI and neighborhood-level characteristics for women but not for men.



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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

Vulnerable, But Why? Post-Traumatic Stress Symptoms in Older Adults Exposed to Hurricane Sandy

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ABSTRACT

Objective: Drawing on pre-disaster, peri-disaster, and post-disaster data, this study examined factors associated with the development of post-traumatic stress disorder (PTSD) symptoms in older adults exposed to Hurricane Sandy.

Methods: We used a sample of older participants matched by gender, exposure, and geographic region ($N = 88$, mean age = 59.83 years) in which one group reported clinically significant levels of PTSD symptoms and the other did not. We conducted t -tests, chi-square tests, and exact logistic regressions to examine differences in pre-disaster characteristics and post-disaster experiences.

Results: Older adults who reported PTSD symptoms were more depressed and had lower income, positive affect, and were working 4 to 6 years before Hurricane Sandy than those who did not. Those developing PTSD symptoms also had more chronic health conditions, including chronic health conditions and feelings of isolation.

Conclusions: Our findings in this target population suggest that older adults can be identified before disaster strikes and non-PTSD cases by gender and level of damage.

Key Words: PTSD, Hurricane Sandy, older adults

Hurricane Sandy, a Category 1 Atlantic hurricane, struck the Northeast United States on October 29, 2012, resulting in 147 deaths and \$68 billion in damage (National Hurricane Center, 2012). In New Jersey, Hurricane Sandy caused the deaths of 147 people, 100 of whom were older than 60 years (New Jersey Department of Health, 2012). It is reported that a large number of older adults (65+) were in nursing homes and assisted living facilities at the time of the storm (New Jersey Department of Health, 2012). However, not all older adults were in such facilities (New Jersey Department of Health, 2012). Older adults are potentially more vulnerable to the effects of disasters (New Jersey Department of Health, 2012).



Keywords: PTSD, post-traumatic stress disorder, PTSD, and traumatic stress symptoms.
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Colocation of older adults with successful aging based on objective and subjective measures
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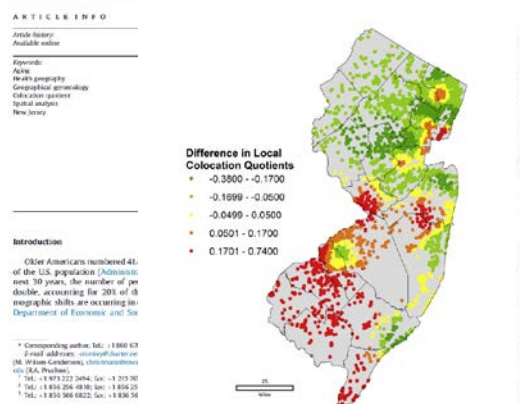


Fig. 5. Difference in local colocation coefficients. The locations of all adults who aged successfully on both objective and subjective measures are shown with the difference in coefficients measuring their colocation with other adults (unmapped) who aged successfully on the objective or the subjective measure. The local colocation quotient for subjective unsuccessful aging was subtracted from the local colocation quotient for objective unsuccessful aging.

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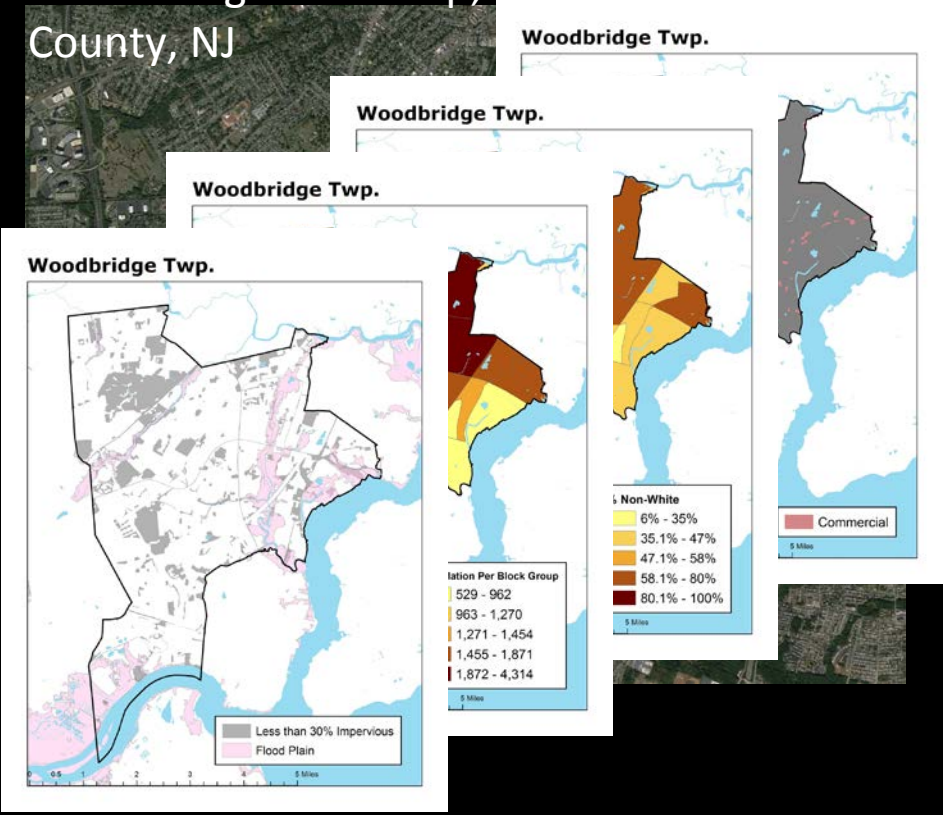


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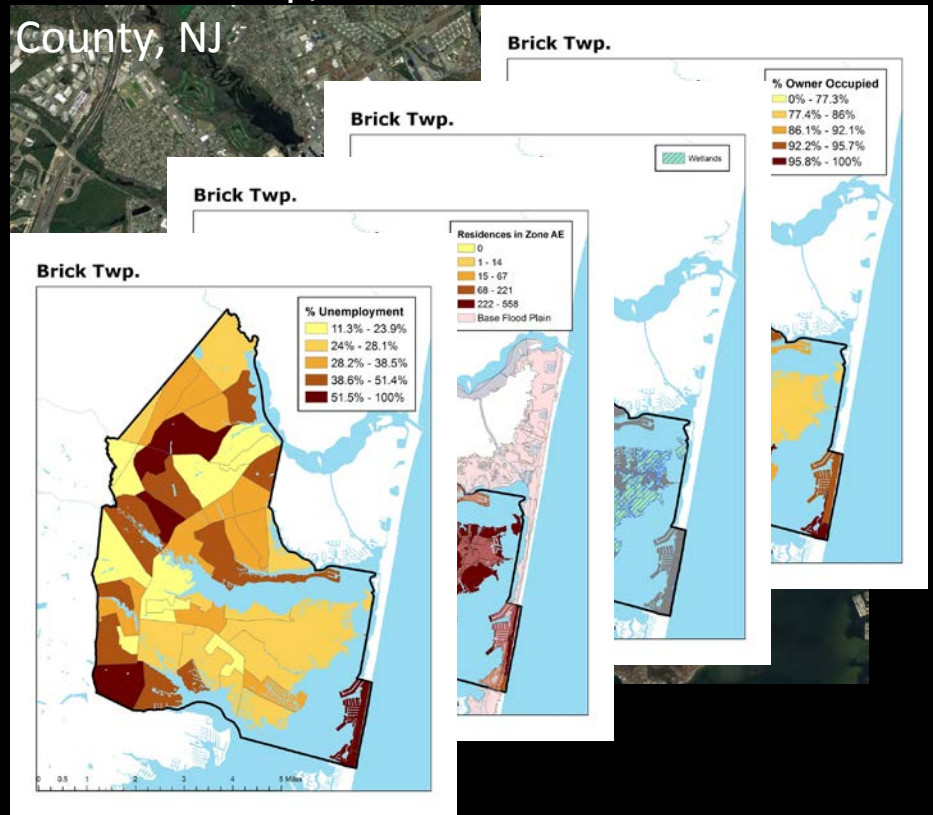


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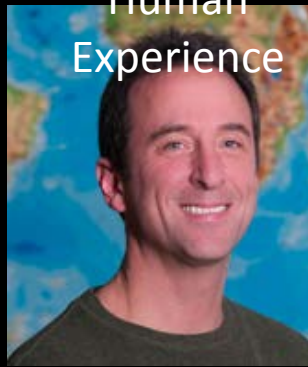
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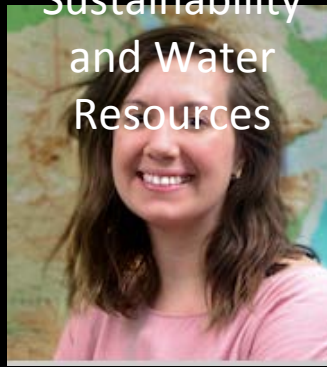
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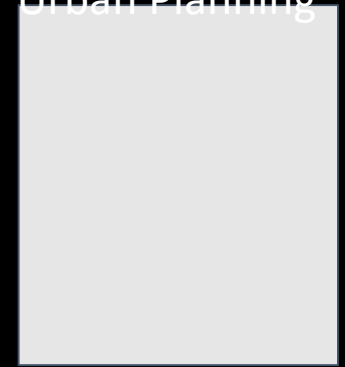
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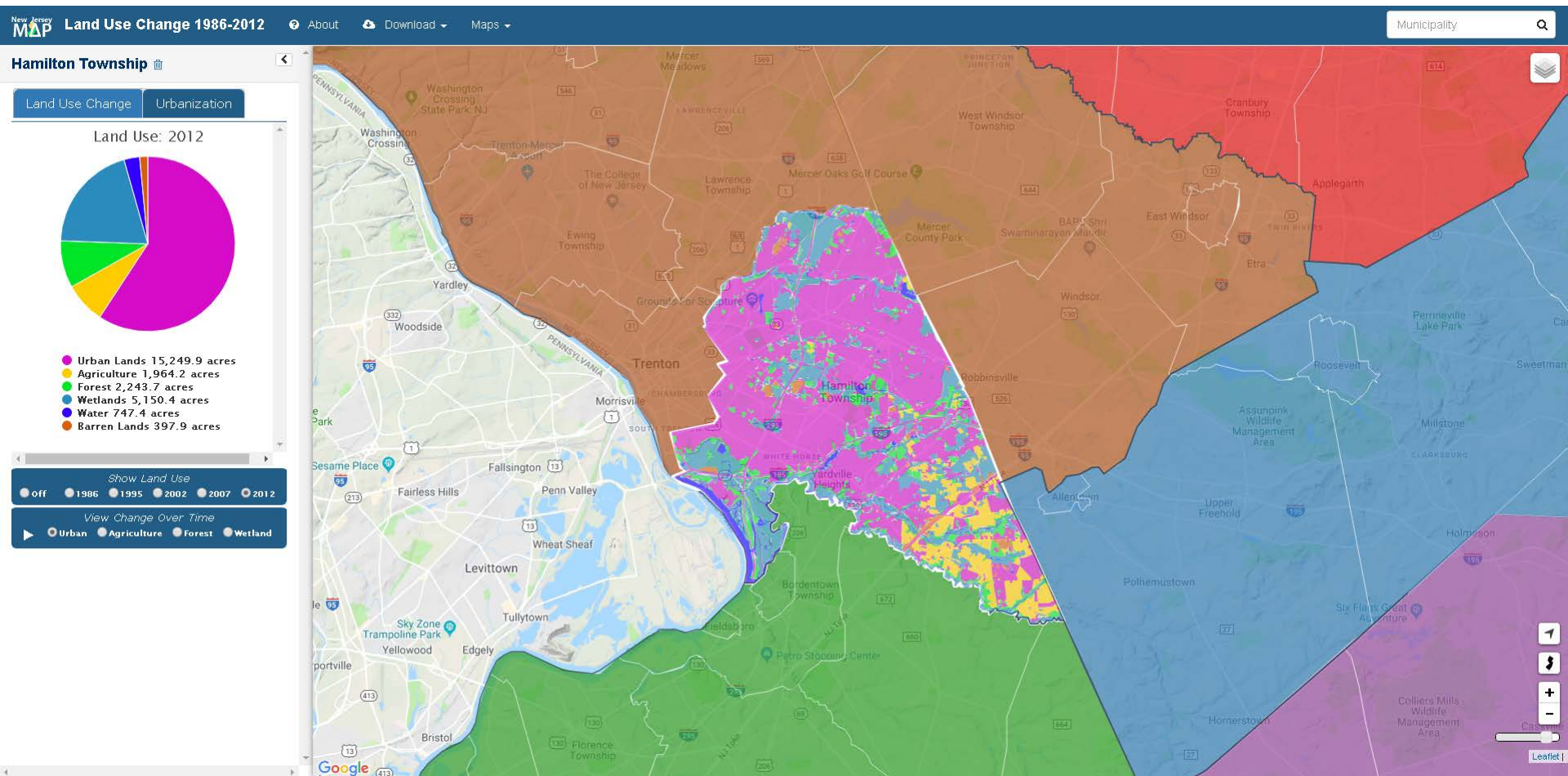


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