Visualization Tool for Preserving Forests Under Climate Change

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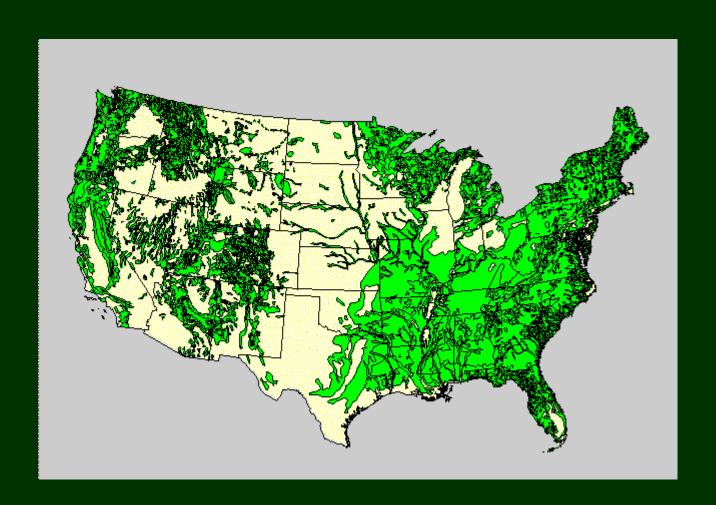
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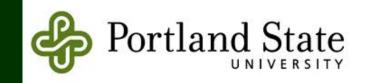






Forest land in U.S.





Forests provide many important services to humans

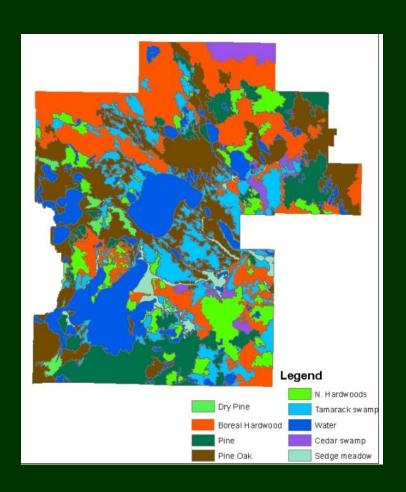








Forest Managers



What services do they want their forest to provide?



What are the tree species they want to maintain?

What management tool(s) is best?

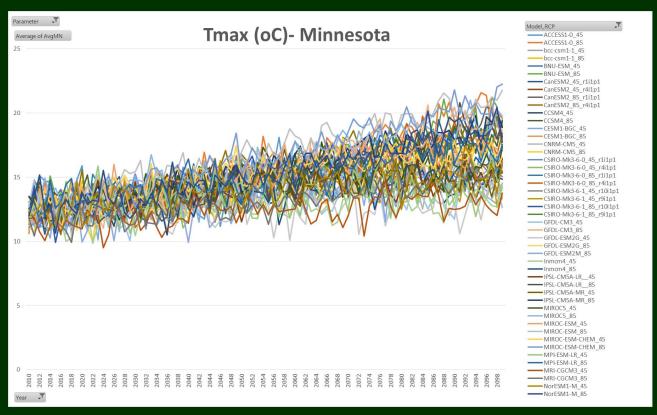
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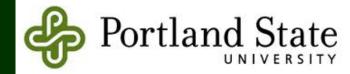
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Climate Change

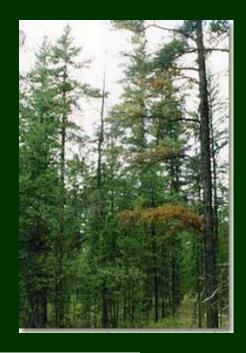
Project a ~8.5 °F increase in max temps over the next 100 years





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Table 6.—Modeling results for LANDIS-II for northern Wisconsin tree species based upon effects of climate change, disturbance (management and wind), and fragmentation-constrained seed dispersal.

Likely decline
Northern white-cedar
Quaking aspen
Yellow birch
Red maple
Red oak





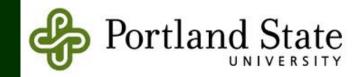
USFS National Forests Climate Change Scorecard



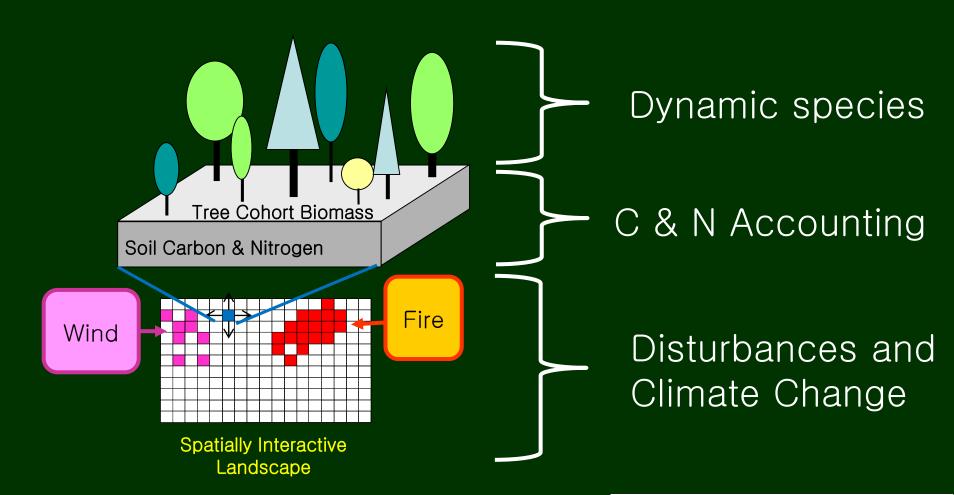
Does the Unit actively engage with scientists and scientific organizations to improve its ability to respond to climate change?

Have climate change related considerations and activities been incorporated into existing or new partnerships (other than science partnerships)?

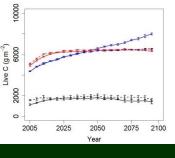




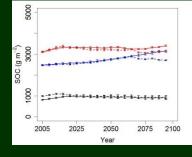
Forecasting Tool: LANDIS-II

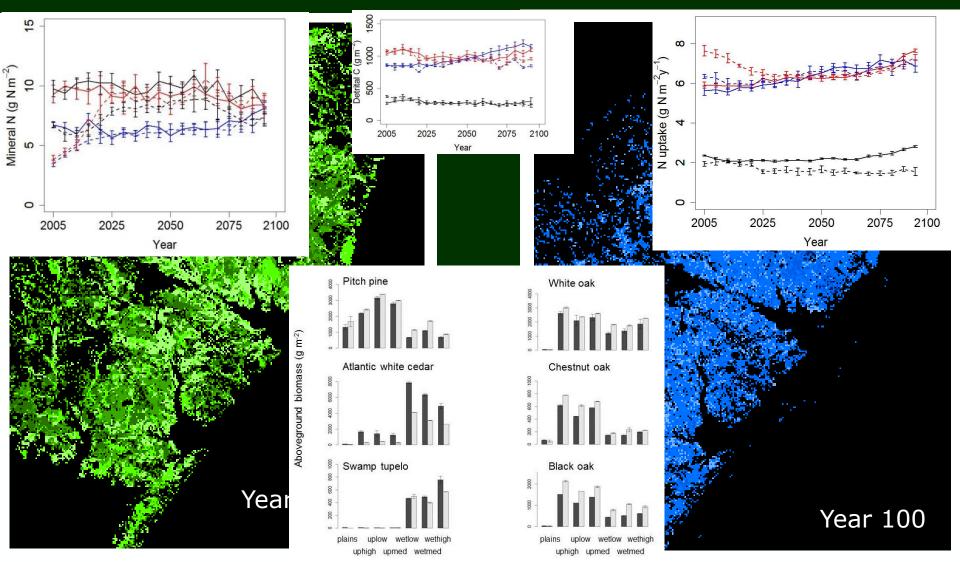




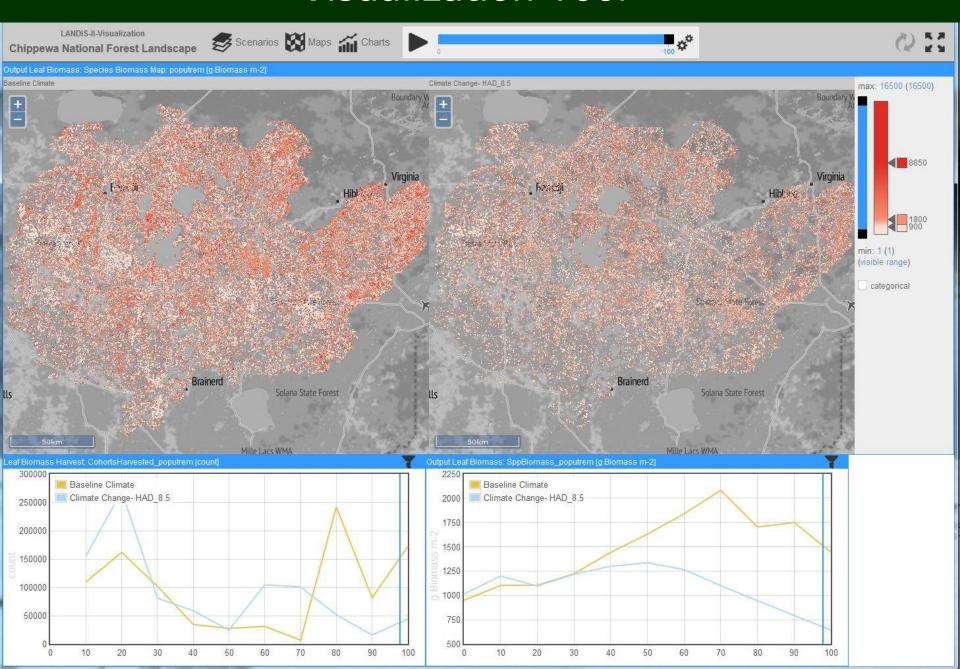


Model Outputs





Visualization Tool

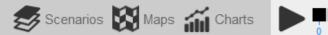




http://landis-visualization.research.pdx.edu/Results_Erics_paper_v5/



LANDIS-II-Visualization Chippewa National Forest Landscape



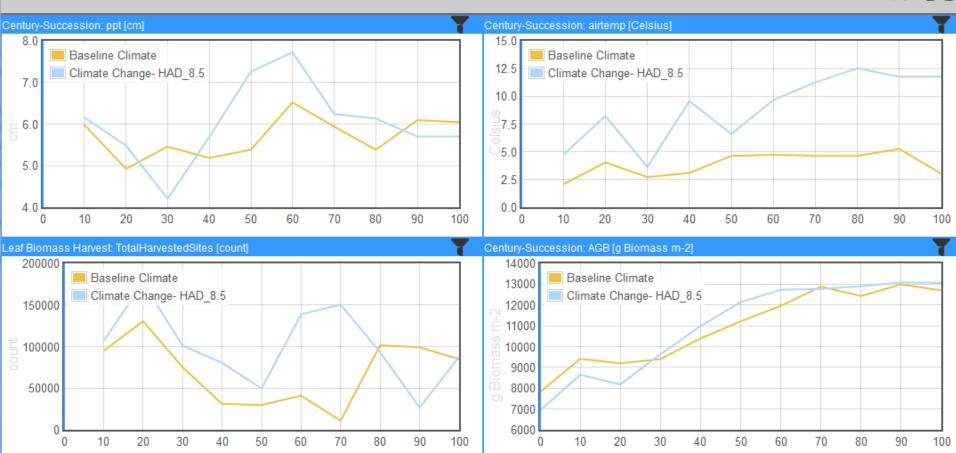


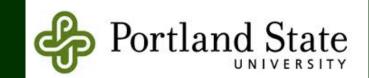


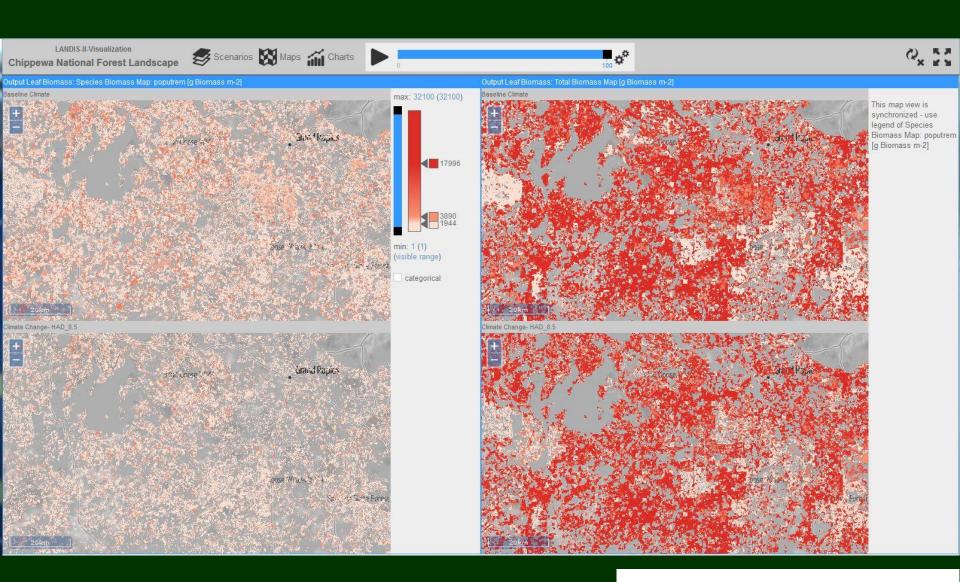














Tool has three components:

- Model (LANDIS-II) open source
- Pre-processing tool- interested in marketing
- Visualization Tool— open source





LANDIS users

Research Areas ★ Completed * Chile ★ Ongoing Siberia Mexico

Forest Managers:

150 on national forest land alone Another 210 owners with 25K acres or more





Thanks!

