

Mapping and modeling toxic metal concentration in soil

based on multi-spectral images and environmental variables

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A large white dump truck is shown from a low angle, dumping its load of trash onto a massive, sprawling pile of waste. The truck's bed is tilted, and the dark, crumpled trash is falling out. In the background, a vast expanse of trash stretches to the horizon under a hazy sky. Numerous birds are flying overhead, silhouetted against the light. The overall scene conveys a sense of environmental degradation and waste accumulation.

**Industrial activities and sites (like solid waste landfill)
are great contributor to soil contamination and
toxic metal concentration**

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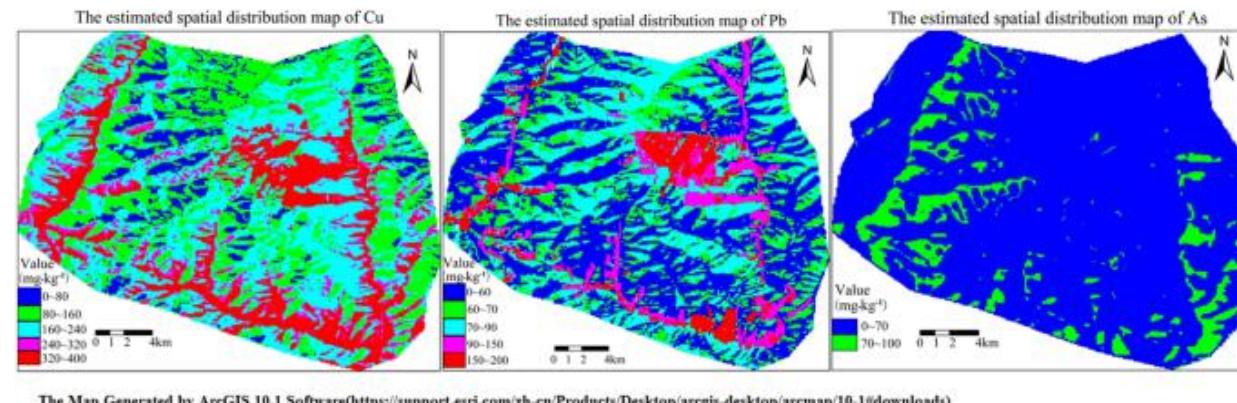
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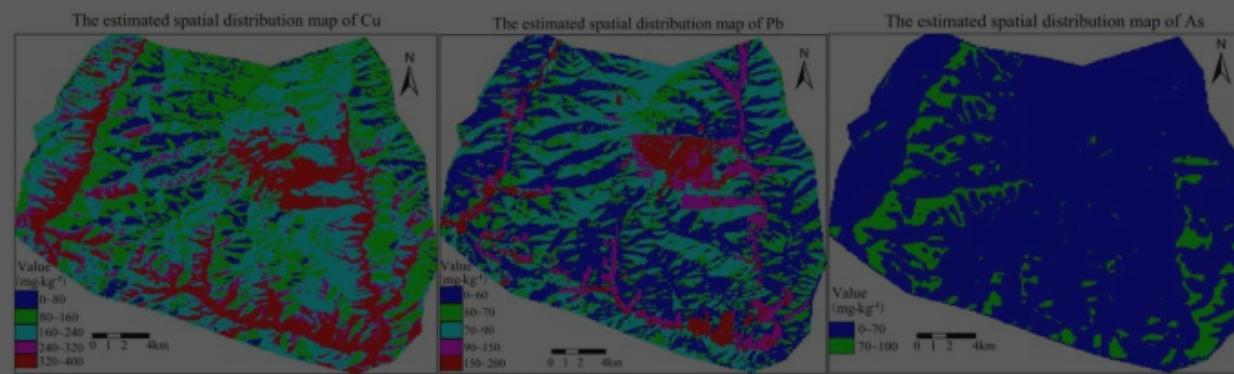
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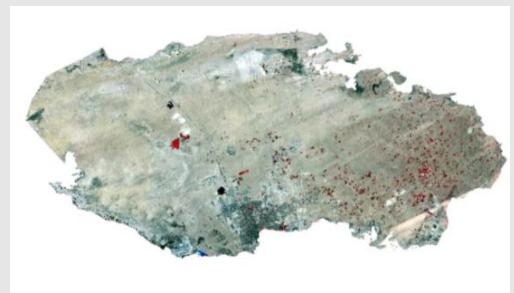
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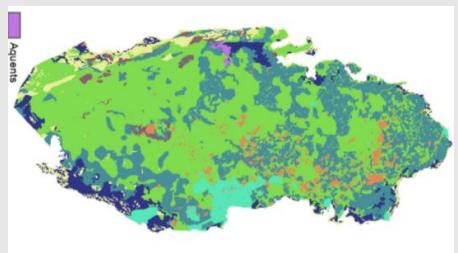
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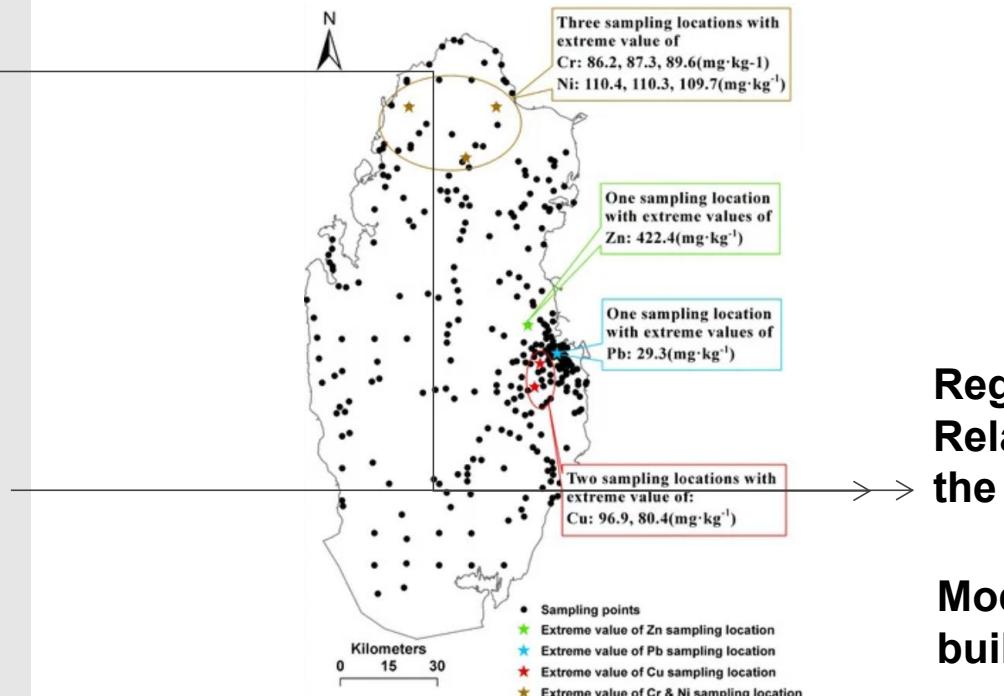
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Satellite Image



Geological Feature

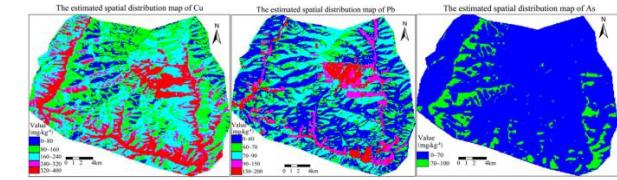


Soil Sample and Analysis

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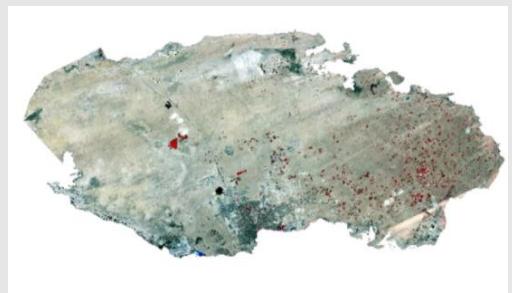
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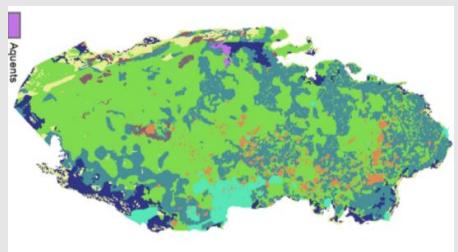


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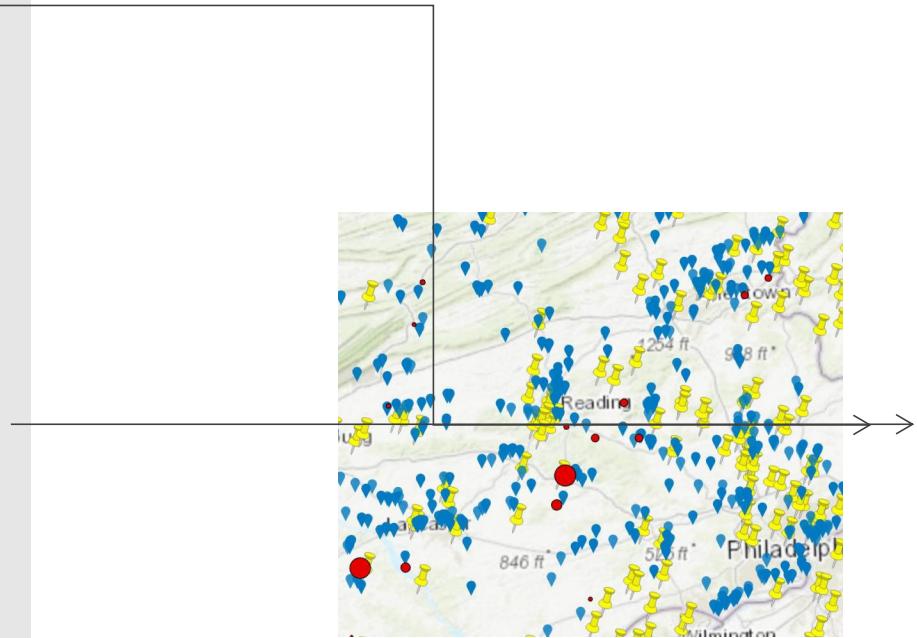
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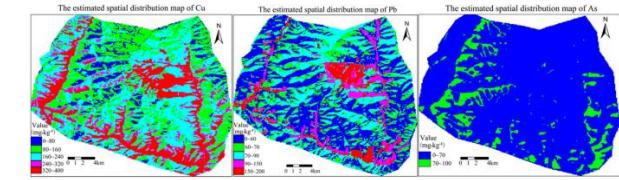


Soil Monitor from open data

**Regression
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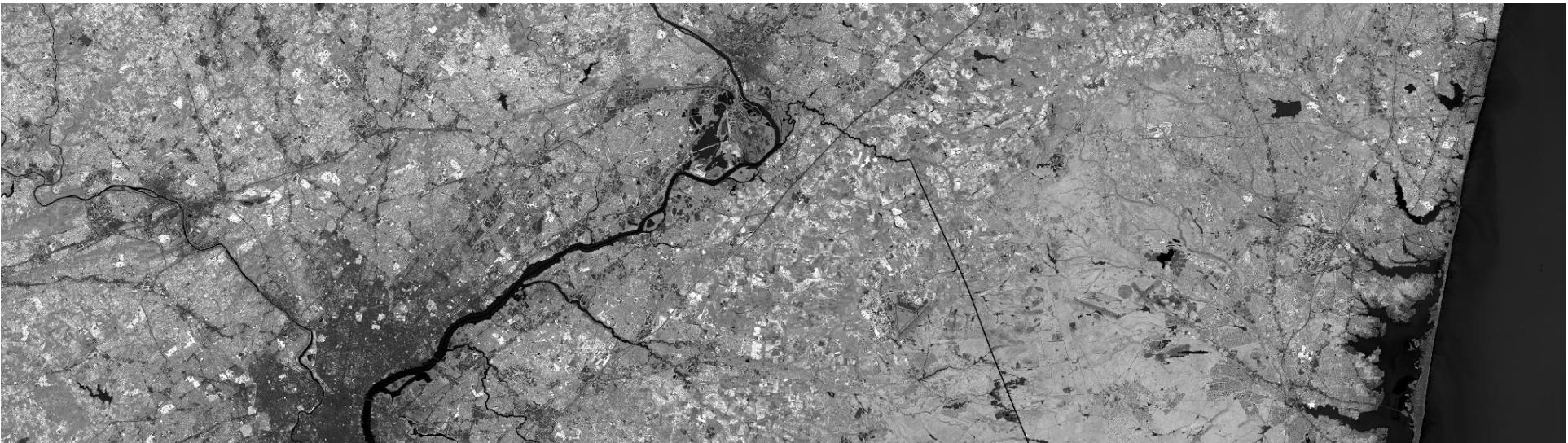
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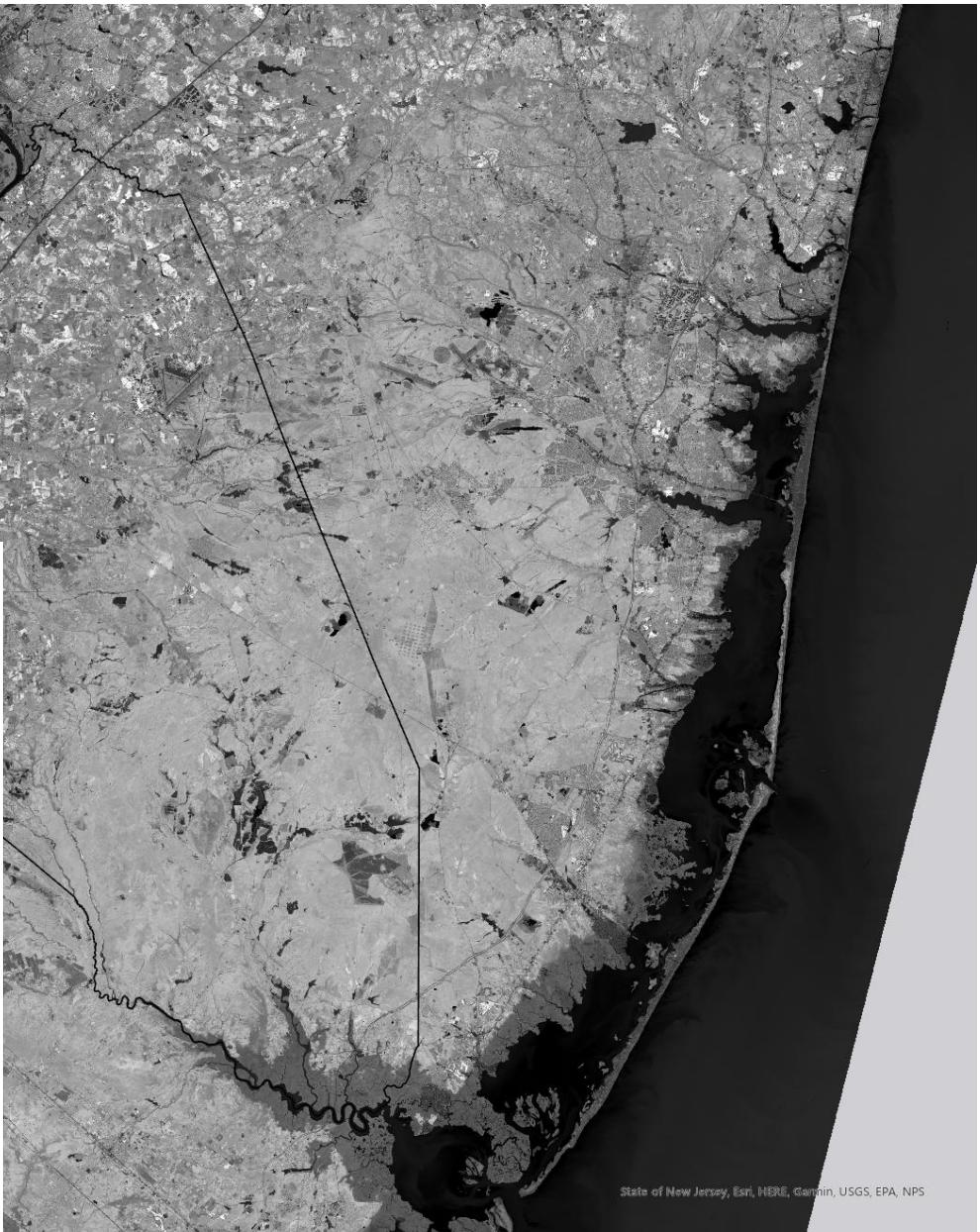
Multi-spectral Satellite Images

Landsat 8



Landsat-8 Operational Land Imager & Thermal Infrared Sensor

Band Number	Description	Wavelength	Resolution
Band 1	Coastal / Aerosol	0.433 to 0.453 µm	30 meter
Band 2	Visible blue	0.450 to 0.515 µm	30 meter
Band 3	Visible green	0.525 to 0.600 µm	30 meter
Band 4	Visible red	0.630 to 0.680 µm	30 meter
Band 5	Near-infrared	0.845 to 0.885 µm	30 meter
Band 6	Short wavelength infrared	1.56 to 1.66 µm	30 meter
Band 7	Short wavelength infrared	2.10 to 2.30 µm	60 meter
Band 8	Panchromatic	0.50 to 0.68 µm	15 meter
Band 9	Cirrus	1.36 to 1.39 µm	30 meter
Band 10	Long wavelength infrared	10.3 to 11.3 µm	100 meter
Band 11	Long wavelength infrared	11.5 to 12.5 µm	100 meter



State of New Jersey, Esri, HERE, Garmin, USGS, EPA, NPS

Multi-spectral Satellite Images Landsat 8

Clay mineral ratio
(CMR)
 $=\text{Band6}/\text{Band7}$

2013-03

source: USGS



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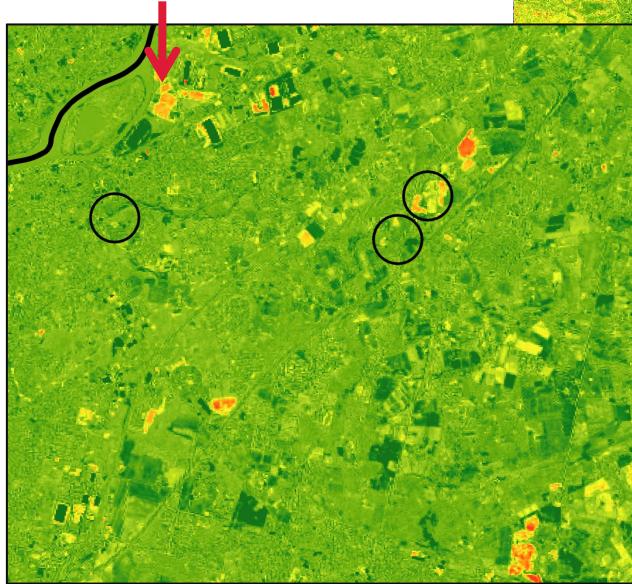
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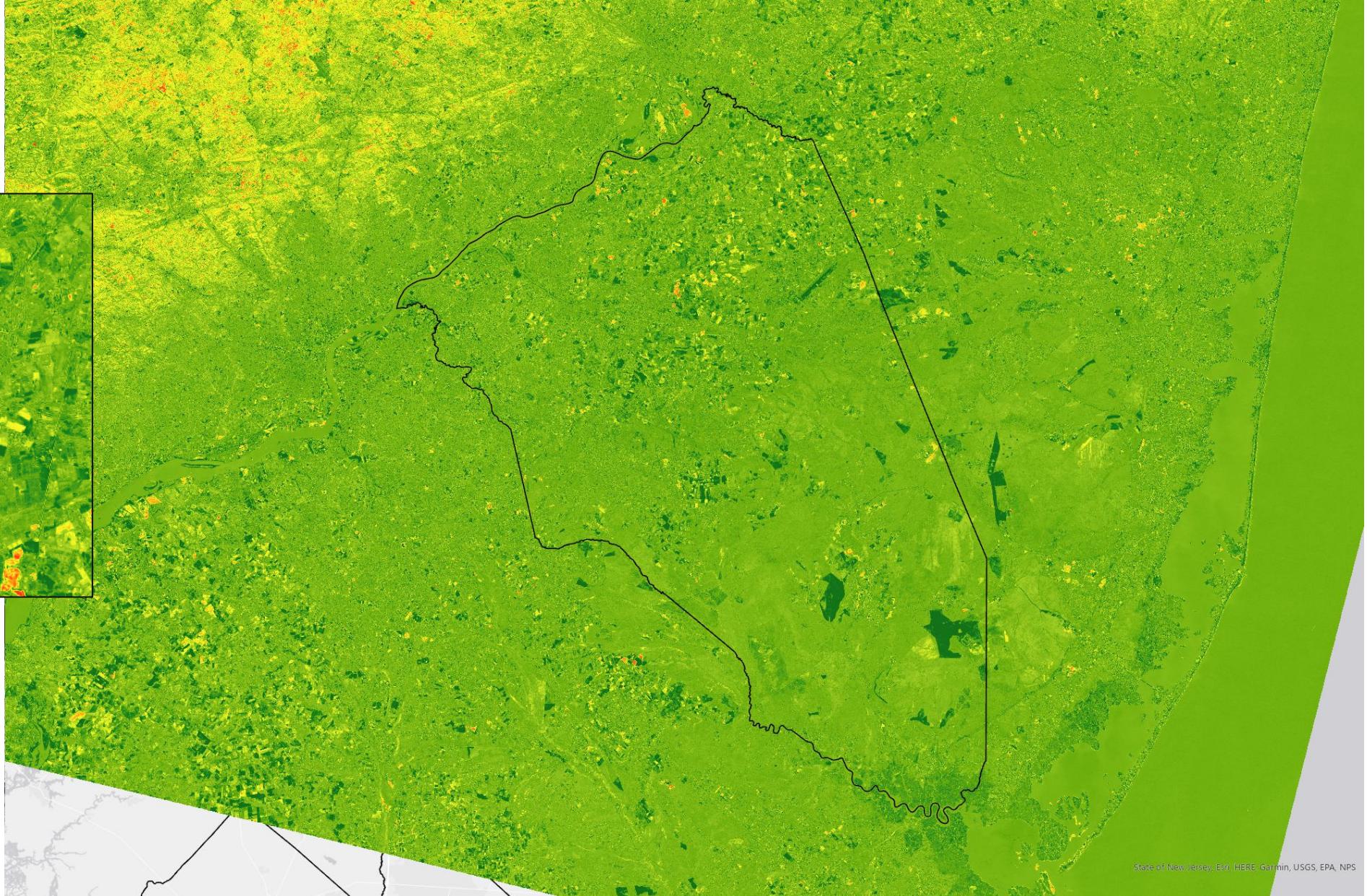


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Might indicate increase of metal concentration in soil



source: USGS



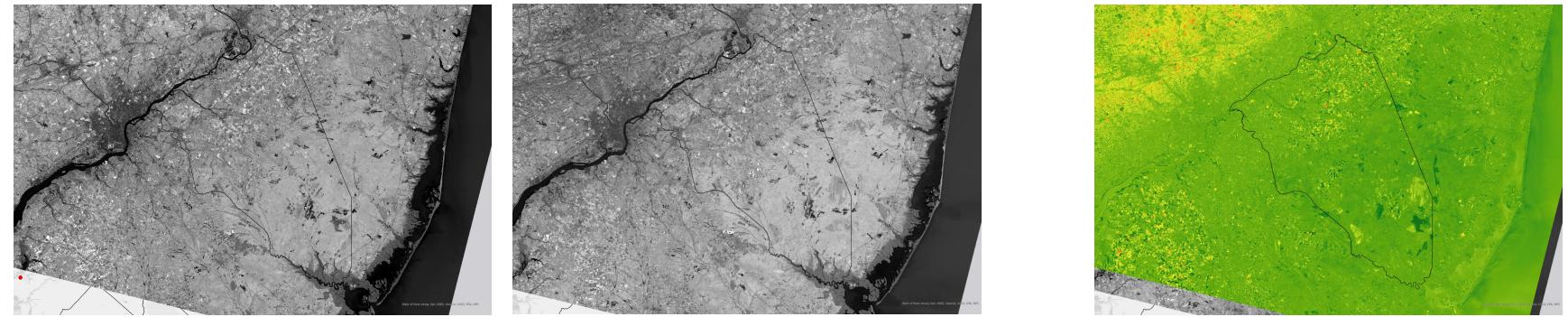
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Clay mineral ratio =
Band6/Band7



normalised vegetation index
= (Band5 –
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MNDWI = $(B3-B6)/(B3+B6)$

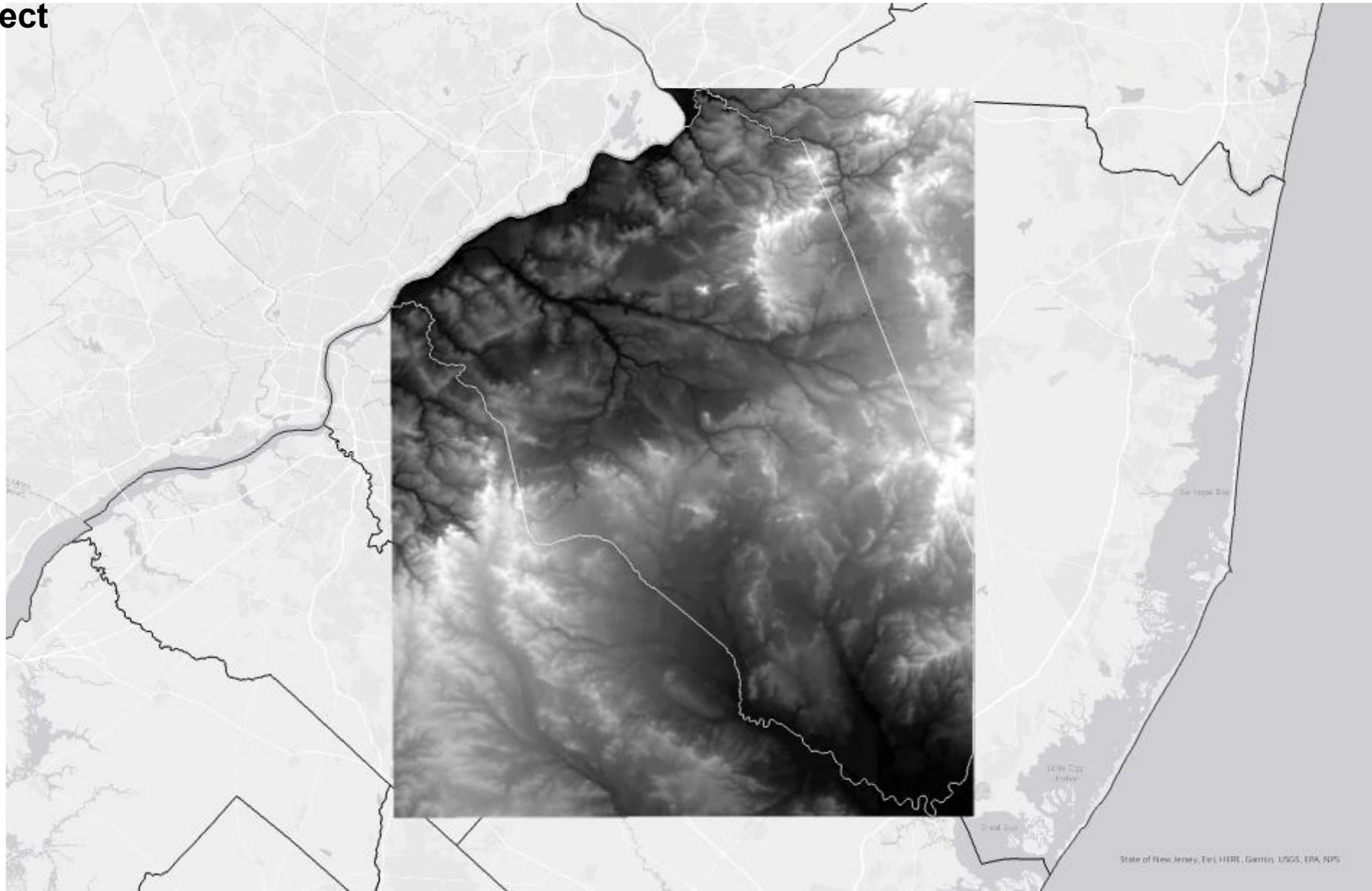
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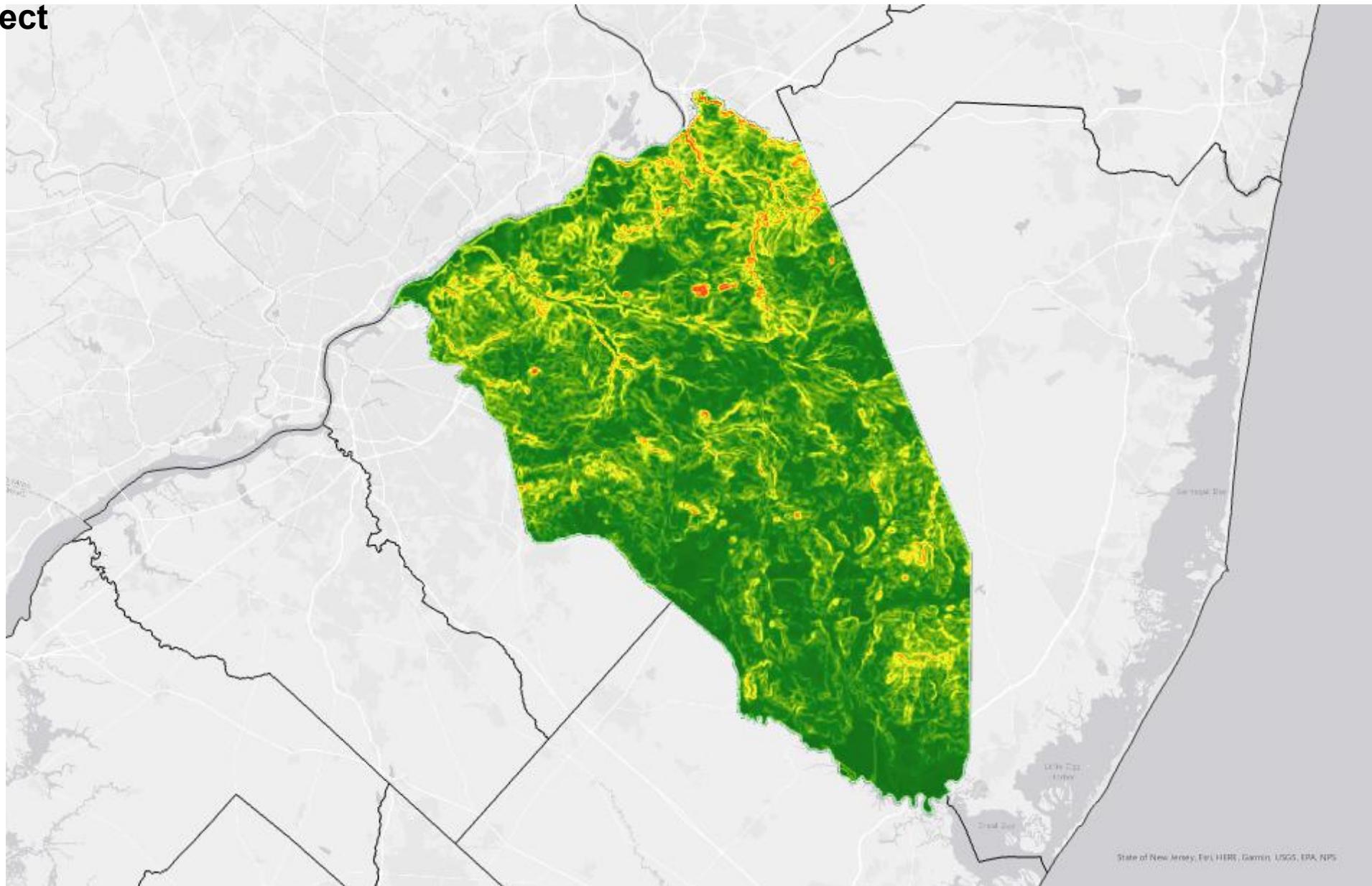
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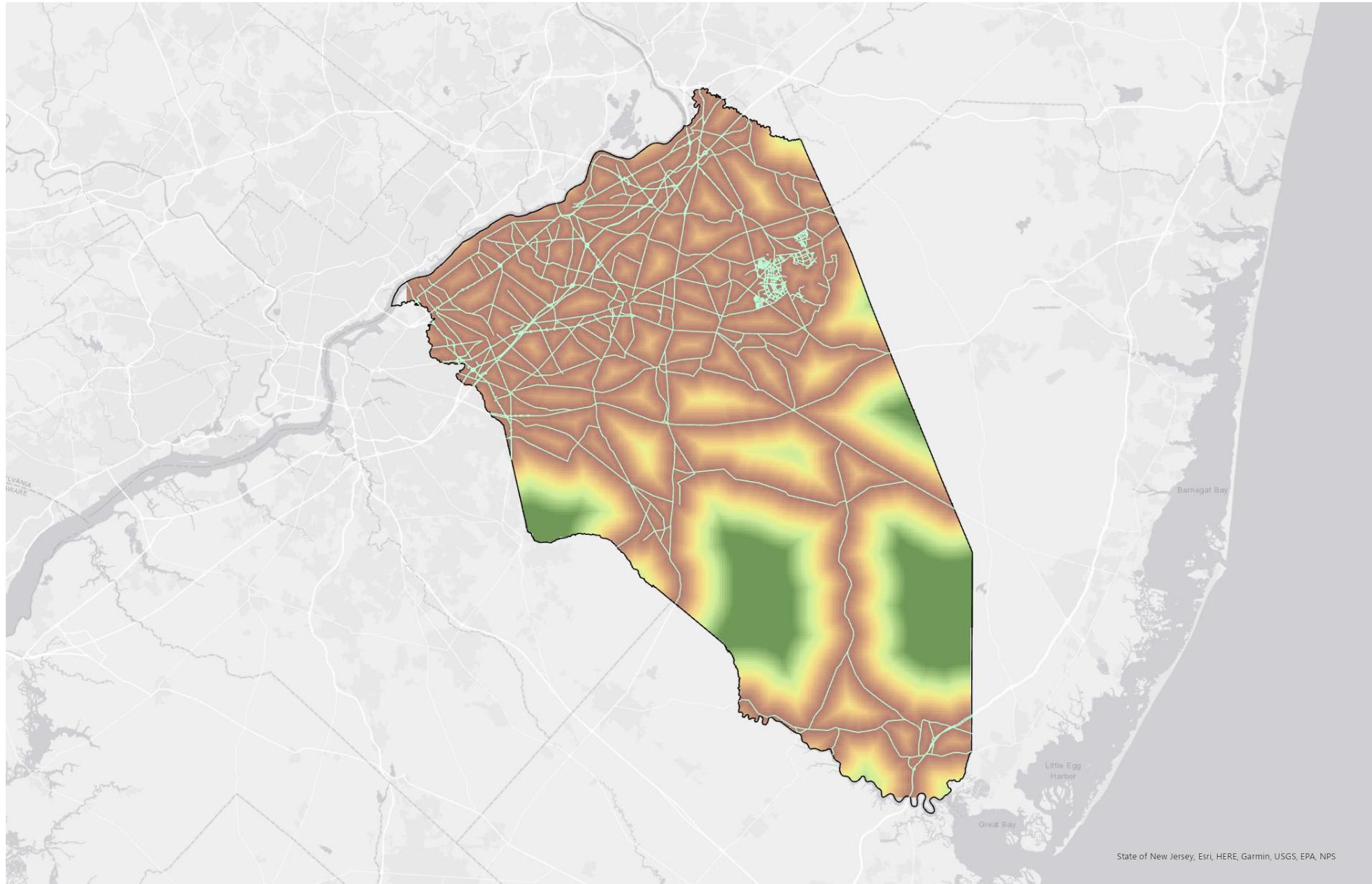
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Environmental Parameters

Distance to Roads



Data: Burlington County road

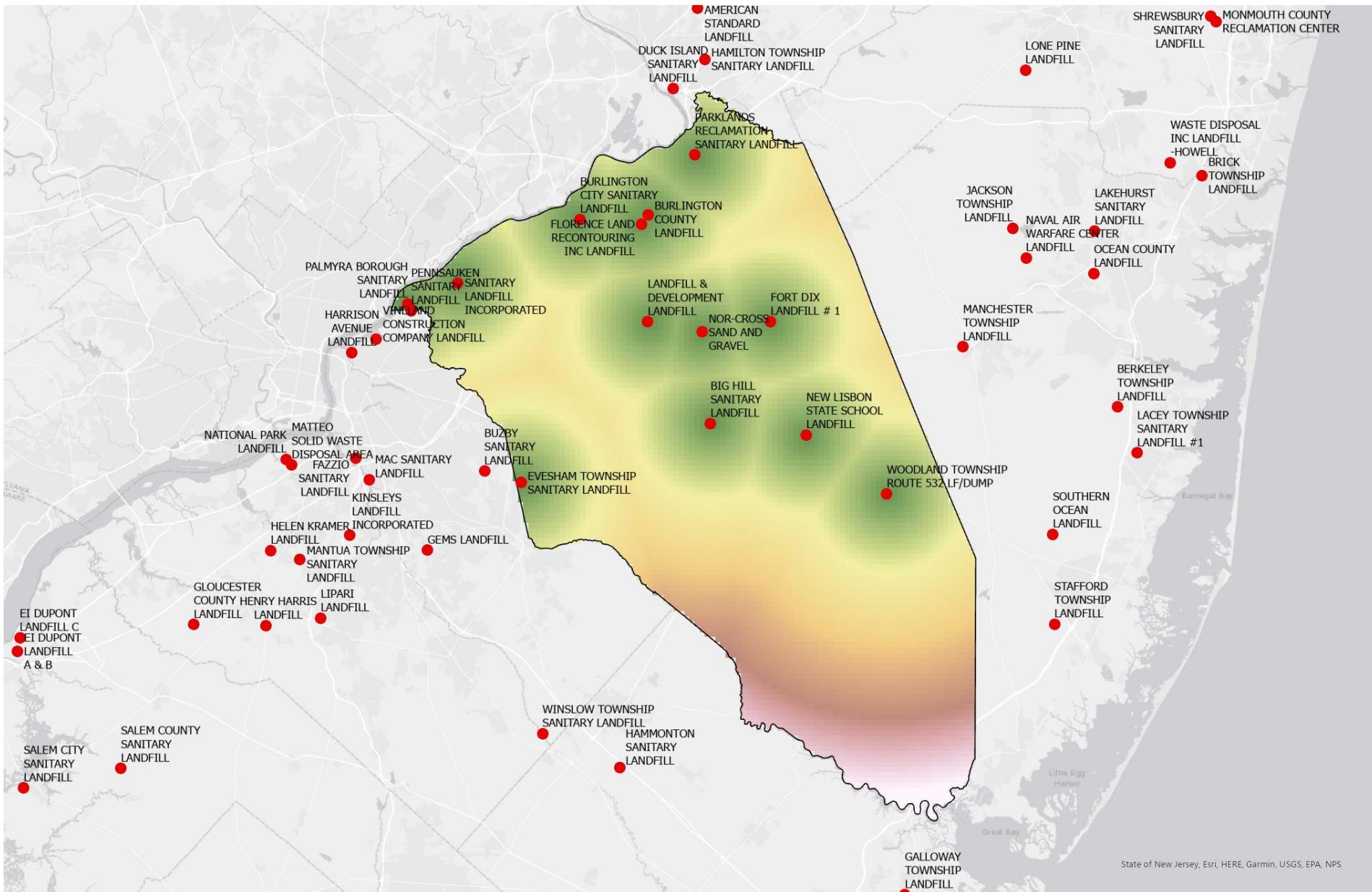
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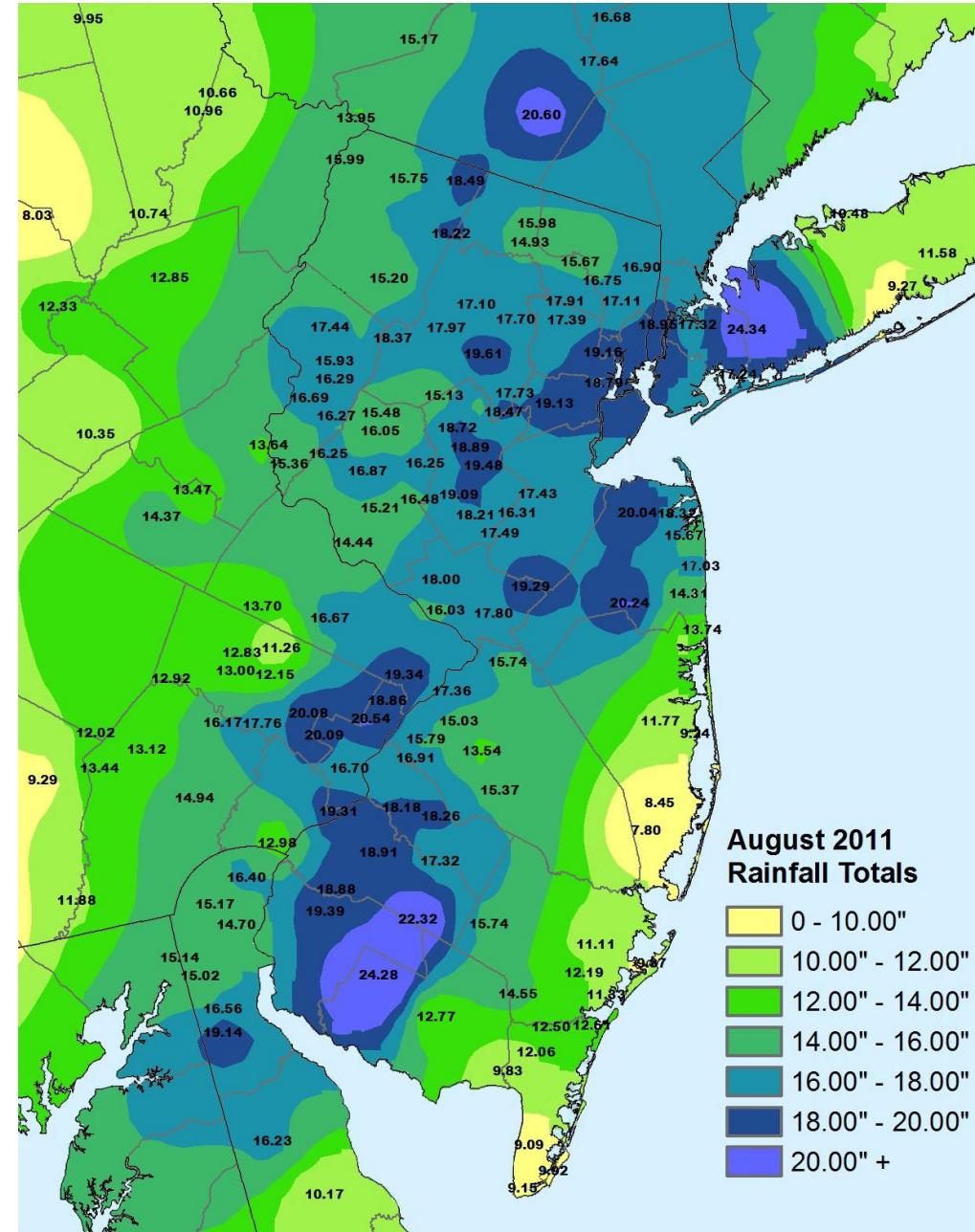
Distance to Landfill

Data: Solid Waste Landfill Sites (35 Acres and Above)

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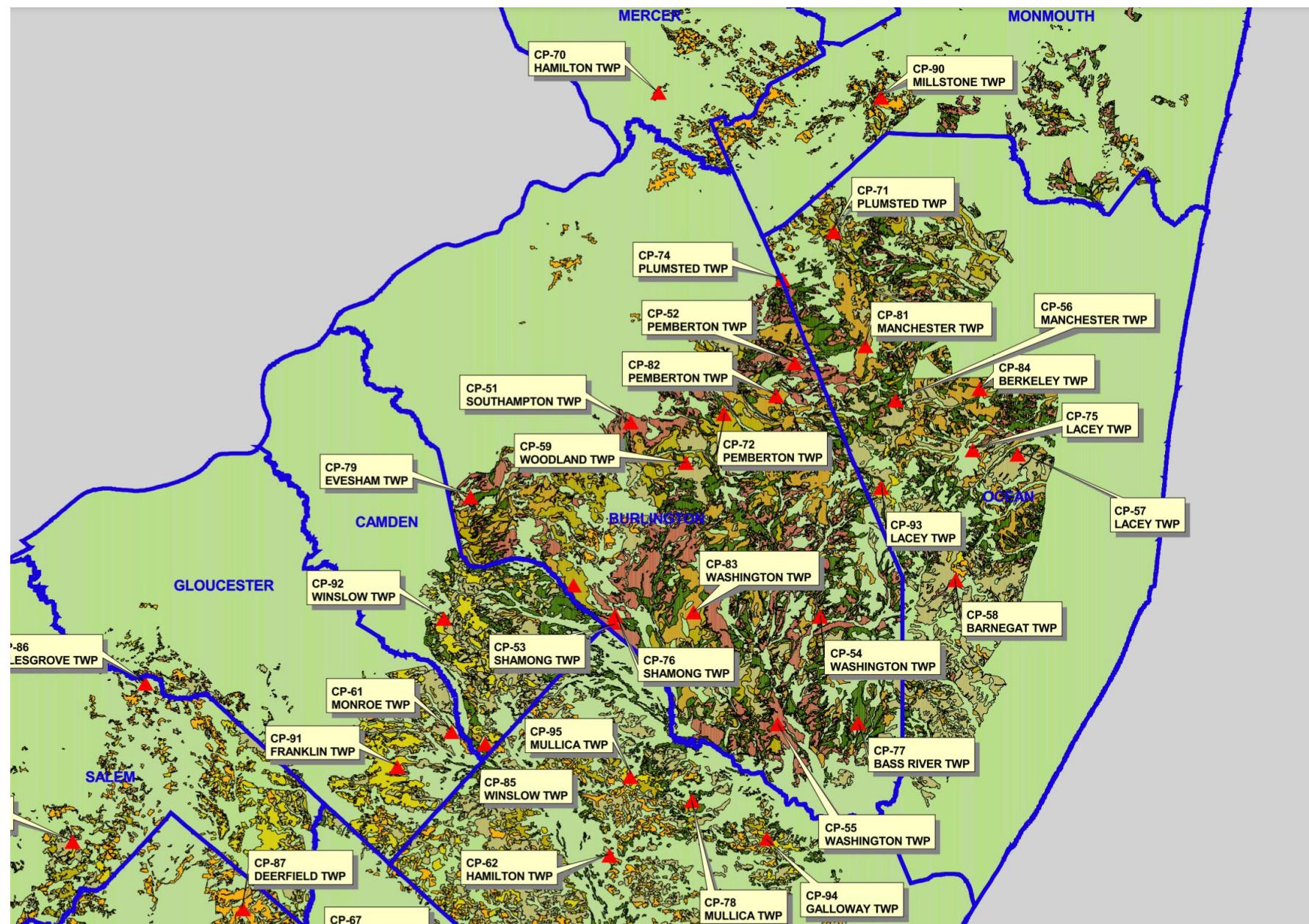


Environmental Parameters Changing: precipitation/ temperature



Source: Office of the New Jersey State Climatologist

Contamination on Sample Points Historic Soil Sample Data



Data: NJDEP

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Contamination on Sample Points

Historic Soil Sample Data

TABLE 11

SUMMARY OF COASTAL PLAIN RURAL SOIL DATA

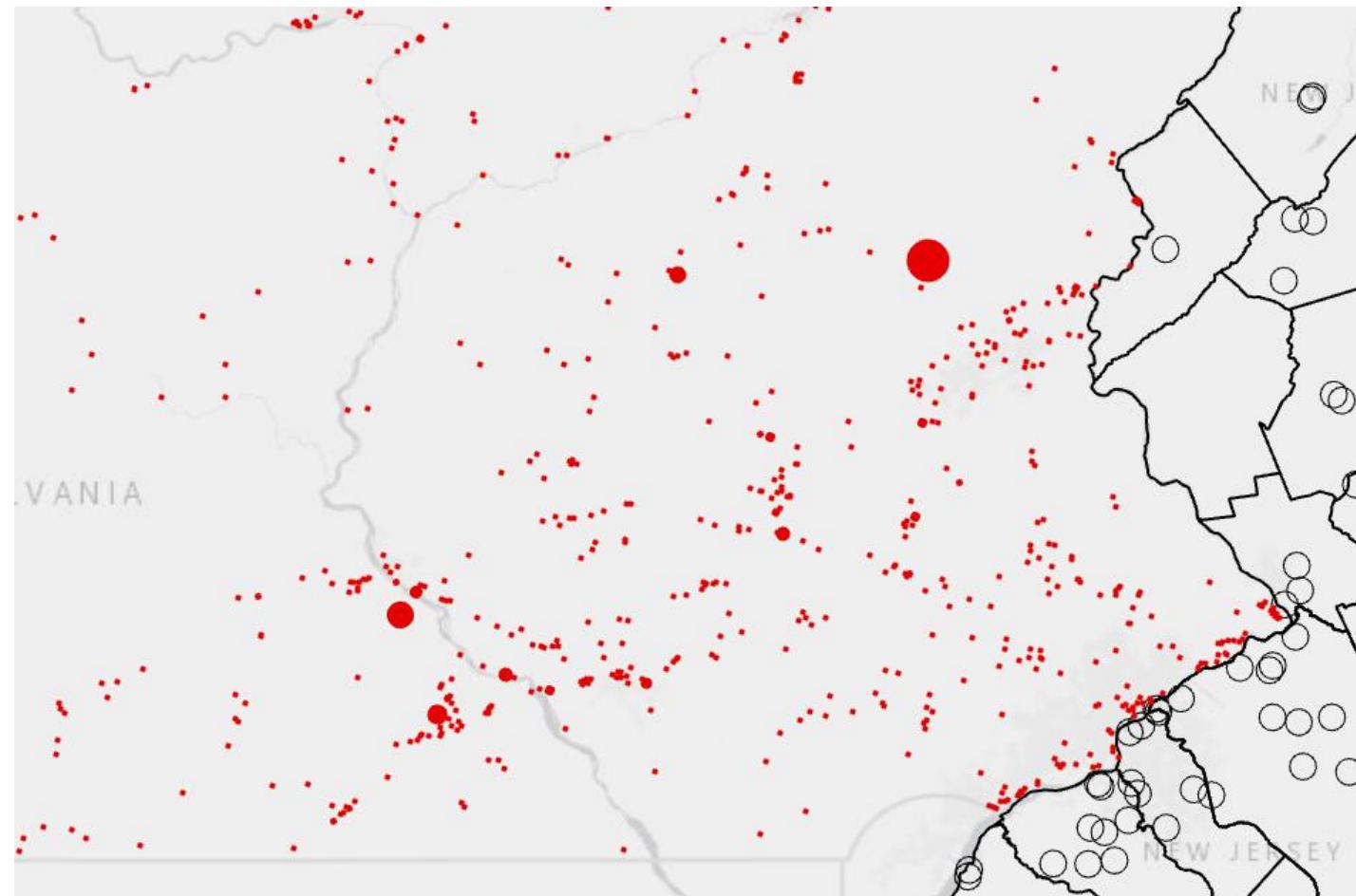
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		Cleanup Criteria	Cleanup Criteria				
	Date:	03-May-1999	03-May-1999	15-Jun-2001	12-Jun-2001	27-May-2001	27-May-2001
Metals							
Silver		4100	110	0.20 U	0.18 U	0.22 U	0.22 U
Aluminum		NA	NA	990	2240	964	1350
Arsenic		20	20	0.97 B	0.92 B	0.98 B	1.8
Barium		47000	700	5.4 B	8.5 B	8.0 B	25.5 B
Beryllium		2	2	0.063 U	0.057 U	0.069 U	0.069 U
Calcium		NA	NA	36.1 B	210 B	144 B	126 B
Cadmium		100	39	0.076 U	0.069 U	0.082 U	0.11 B
Cobalt		NA	NA	0.13 B	0.53 B	0.31 B	0.47 B
Chromium		NA	120000	2.0	4.0	2.1	3.5
Copper		600	600	3.3	3.3	3.2 B	6.6
Iron		NA	NA	1130	2520	1100	1910
Mercury		270	14	0.029 U	0.027 U	0.040 B	0.087
Potassium		NA	NA	51.4 B	101 B	127 B	124 B
Magnesium		NA	NA	52.1 B	135 B	81.7 B	77.6 B
Manganese		NA	NA	4.6	11.6	10.1	11.7
Sodium		NA	NA	75.9 B	47.5 B	39 U	39 U
Nickel		2400	250	0.34 U	0.93 B	1.4 B	1.6 B
Lead		600	400	10.4	14.8	25.3 J	49.5 J
Antimony		340	14	0.38 U	0.34 U	0.41 U L	0.49 BL
Selenium		3100	63	0.44 U	0.40 U	0.48 U	0.48 U
Thallium		2	2	0.79 U	0.72 U	0.86 U	0.87 U
Vanadium		7100	370	4.5 B	10	5.1 B	8.6
Zinc		1500	1500	2.7	5.0	10.2 J	9.6 J

Data: NJDEP

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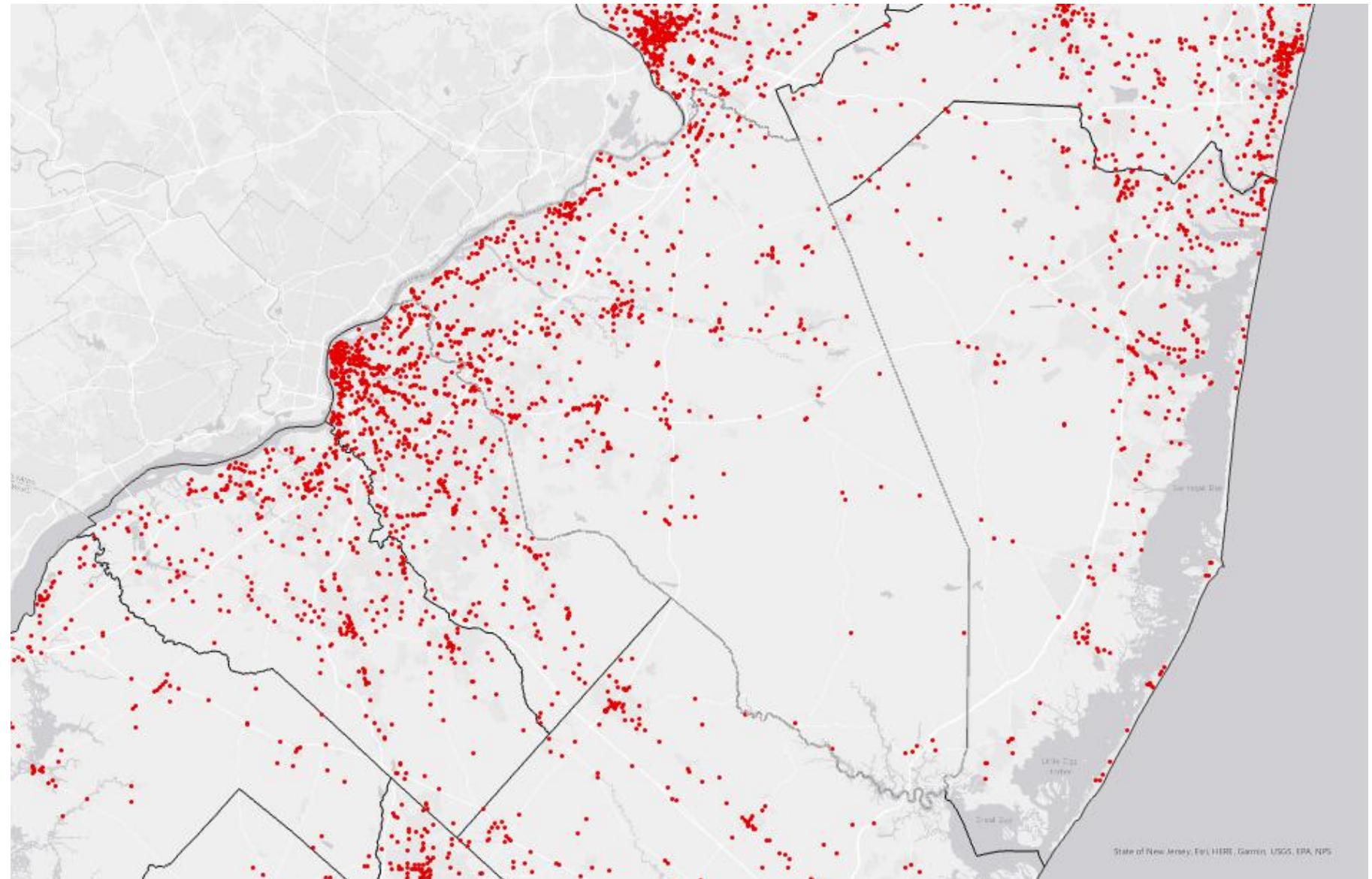
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Contamination on Sample Points

Known_Contaminated_Site



Data: EPA

Questions:

-How to define the scale and extent of the study site?

-Is there any other soil sample open data available?

-What is the best model to use?

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