



GEO 642: Advanced Remote Sensing and GIS

Week 8: Applications of Remote Sensing – Wildfire Mapping

Slides are available at:
<https://tinyurl.com/GEEDemoSlides>



Week 8 - Learning Objectives:

We will discuss how to apply the theory from previous lectures to mapping the impacts of wildfire.

Outline:

- We will review key topics:
 - Thermal Imaging (Week 6)
 - Atmospheric Remote Sensing (Week 7)
 - Spectral Signatures and False Colour Composites (Week 3)
- We will apply the theoretical concepts using satellite datasets:
 - Thermal: MODIS
 - Atmospheric: TROPOMI (Sentinel 5P)
 - Optical: Landsat
- And a cloud computing platform:
 - Google Earth Engine
 - Register for an account: code.earthengine.google.com

Week 8 - Learning Objectives:

By the end of today, you will be able to perform the following tasks in Google Earth Engine:

- Import data for analysis
- Filter image collections (raster data) and feature collections (vector data) by criteria such as:
 - Properties
 - Date
 - Image bands
- Mask cloudy and snowy pixels from analysis of Landsat data
- Calculate Vegetation Indices
- Customize image visualizations
- Export images to Google Drive for offline analysis (e.g. in ArcGIS Pro)

Why learn Google Earth Engine?



- Cloud-based geospatial analysis platform
- Petabyte-scale data catalog with >900 datasets
- Preprocessing and analysis at global scale performed on Google's servers/computing resources

Allows for global scale analysis with no need for large downloads,
or local computing resources!

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Earth Engine interface with annotations:

- Annotations:**
 - Blue arrow pointing to the left sidebar: **Saved/Shared Scripts**
 - Blue arrow pointing to the search bar: **Saved Images, Shapefiles, Tables etc**
 - Blue arrow pointing to the search bar: **Datasets**
 - Blue arrow pointing to the left sidebar: **Documentation & Help**
 - Blue box in the center: **Your code goes here! GEE uses Javascript**
 - Orange box in the center: **Today we will focus on understanding, and modifying code examples, rather than writing new code.**
- Interface Elements:**
 - Top bar: **New Script - Earth Engine**, **Get Link**, **Save**, **Run**, **Reset**, **Apps**, **Inspector**, **Console**, **Tasks**
 - Search bar: **Search places and datasets...**
 - Left sidebar: **Filter methods...**, **ee.Algorithms**, **ee.Array**, **ee.Blob**, **ee.Classifier**, **ee.Clusterer**, **ee.ConfusionMatrix**, **ee.Date**, **ee.DateRange**
 - Center: **New Script** editor with line 1.
 - Right sidebar: **Inspector**, **Console**, **Tasks**. Console text: **Welcome to Earth Engine!** Please use the help menu above (?) to learn more about how to use Earth Engine, or [visit our help page](#) for support.
 - Bottom: Map of the United States and Mexico, **Map** / **Satellite** toggle, **Keyboard shortcuts**, **Map data ©2023 Google, INEGI**, **500 km**, **Terms of Use**

What happens on the ground during wildfire?



USDA Forest Service (Public Domain)

- Heat
- Smoke
- The Vegetation Burns
 - Initial vegetation removal
 - Post-fire recovery

What can we see from Space?

During the fire



Mike Lewelling National Park Service (CC-BY-2.0)

Immediately after fire



Jeffrey Beall (CC-BY-4.0)

What can we see from Space?



Shadowmeld Photography (CC-BY-4.0)

What can we see from Space?

1) Heat

Review from Week 6:

- Thermal Infrared
 - Is emitted from the earth's surface (and NOT reflected sunlight)
 - Wavelength range: 3 μm – 1 mm
 - A hotter object will emit MORE radiation
 - The emission spectrum (peak wavelength) depends on the object temperature
 - The sun's emission spectrum is in the visible part of the spectrum because the sun is HOT
 - Hotter objects emit radiation at shorter wavelengths

Lat: -20.918°, Lon: 137.813° Fires: Jun 20 2023 .. Jun 26 2023

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Real time active fire locations from MODIS/VIIRS/Landsat Thermal Anomalies

2000 km
1000 mi

 MEASURE  LOCATION  LAYERS  TIMELINE  CAPTURE  SHARE  HELP  MAXIMIZE 

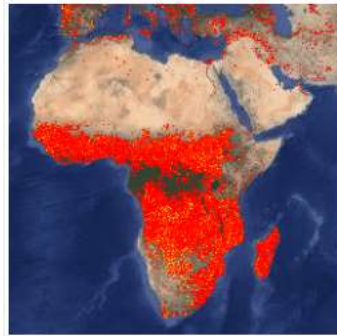


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Earth Engine Data Catalog

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FIRMS: Fire Information for Resource Management System



Dataset Availability

2000-11-01T00:00:00Z-2023-06-24T00:00:00

Dataset Provider

[NASA / LANCE / EOSDIS](#)

Earth Engine Snippet

```
ee.ImageCollection("FIRMS")
```

Tags

fire geophysical hotspot modis nasa thermal eosdis firms lance

How we access the data in Earth Engine



Description

Bands

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The Earth Engine version of the Fire Information for Resource Management System (FIRMS) dataset contains the LANCE fire detection product in rasterized form. The near real-time (NRT) active fire locations are processed by LANCE using the standard MODIS MOD14/MYD14 Fire and Thermal Anomalies product. Each active fire location represents the centroid of a 1km pixel that is flagged by the algorithm as containing one or more fires within the pixel. The data are rasterized as follows: for each FIRMS active fire point, a 1km bounding box (BB) is defined; pixels in the MODIS sinusoidal projection that intersect the FIRMS BB are identified; if multiple FIRMS BBs intersect the same pixel, the one with higher confidence is retained; in case of a tie, the brighter one is retained.

The data in the near-real-time dataset are not considered to be of science quality.

Additional information can be found [here](#).

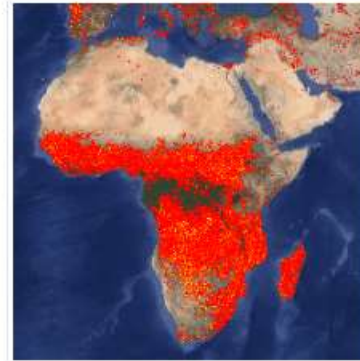
Explore in Earth Engine

Example Code:

Review the Exam

```
FIRMS *
1 var dataset = ee.ImageCollection('FIRMS')
2   .filter(
3     ee.Filter.date('2018-08-01', '2018-08-01'));
4   );
5 var fires = dataset.select('T21');
6 var firesVis = { //sets up visualization
7   min: 325.0,
8   max: 400.0,
9   palette: ['red', 'orange', 'yellow']
10 };
11 Map.setCenter(-119.086, 47.295, 6);
12 Map.addLayer(fires, firesVis, 'FIRMS');
13
```

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Earth Engine Snippet

```
ee.ImageCollection("FIRMS")
```

Tags

[fire](#) [geophysical](#) [hotspot](#) [modis](#) [nasa](#) [thermal](#) [eosdis](#) [firms](#) [lance](#)

Description **Bands** Terms of Use Citations

Resolution

1000 meters

Bands

Name	Units	Min	Max	Description
T21	K	300*	509.29*	The brightness temperature of a fire pixel using MODIS channels 21/22.
confidence	%	0	100	A detection confidence intended to help users gauge the quality of individual active fire pixels. The confidence estimate ranges between 0% and 100% for all fire pixels within the fire mask. The confidence field should be used with caution; it is likely that it will vary in meaning in different parts of the world.
line_number		1*	35302*	Line number in the FIRMS CSV file that the pixel came from.

* estimated min or max value

ActiveFires

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Preprocess_S1_GRD_FLOAT
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ActiveFires+CO
ActiveFires+CO+Landsat
ActiveFires+CO+Landsat (copy for Jose)
TeachingDemo
Writer
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Google Earth Engine

Search places and datasets...


Inspector Console Tasks

Use print(...) to write to this console.

Welcome to Earth Engine!
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1 var start_date = '2023-05-01';
2 var end_date = '2023-06-30';
3
4 var Ontario = ee.FeatureCollection('FAO/GAUL_SIMPLIFIED_500m/2015/level1')
5 .filter(
6 ee.Filter.eq('ADM1_NAME','Ontario')
7);
8 Map.addLayer({eeObject: Ontario, opacity: 0.25, name: 'Ontario'}); // add Ontario to the map
9 var Fire_dataset = ee.ImageCollection('FIRMS') //Adjust the name of the dataset
10 .filter(
11 ee.Filter.date(start_date, end_date) //filters the data to a date range
12);
13 var fires = Fire_dataset.select('T21'); //selects a 'band' in Fire_dataset called 'T21'
14 var firesVis = { //sets up visualization settings
15 min: 325.0,
16 max: 400.0,
17 palette: ['red', 'orange', 'yellow'],
18 };
19 //Map.setCenter(-119.086, 47.295, 6); //Focuses on an area of interest
20 Map.centerObject({object: Ontario, zoom: 4}); //Centers the map on Ontario, at zoom level 4
21 Map.addLayer({eeObject: fires, visParams: firesVis, name: 'Fires'}); //adds the fires to the map
22
23

FAO GAUL 500m: Global Administrative Unit Layers 2015, First-Level Administrative Units



Dataset Availability
2014-12-14T16:45:00Z-2014-12-19T16:45:00Z
Dataset Provider
FAO/UNEP
Earth Engine Snippet
FeatureCollection
ee.FeatureCollection('FAO/GAUL_SIMPLIFIED_500m/2015/level1')
FeatureView
ui.Map.addLayer({eeObject: ee.FeatureView('FAO/GAUL_SIMPLIFIED_500m/2015/level1/FeatureView')})
Tags
Source: FAO/UNEP
License: CC BY-NC-SA
Version: 1.0

Description Table Schema Terms of Use

Table Schema


Name	Type	Description
ADM1_CODE	INT	GAUL country code
ADM1_NAME	STRING	GAUL country name
DISP_AREA	STRING	Unsettled territory: Yes or No
STATUS	STRING	Status of the country
Shape_Area	DOUBLE	Shape area
Shape_Length	DOUBLE	Shape length
ADM1_CODE	INT	GAUL code of administrative units at first level
ADM1_NAME	STRING	Name of administrative units at first level

North Pacific Ocean

United States
Mexico

500 km

Adjust the example code



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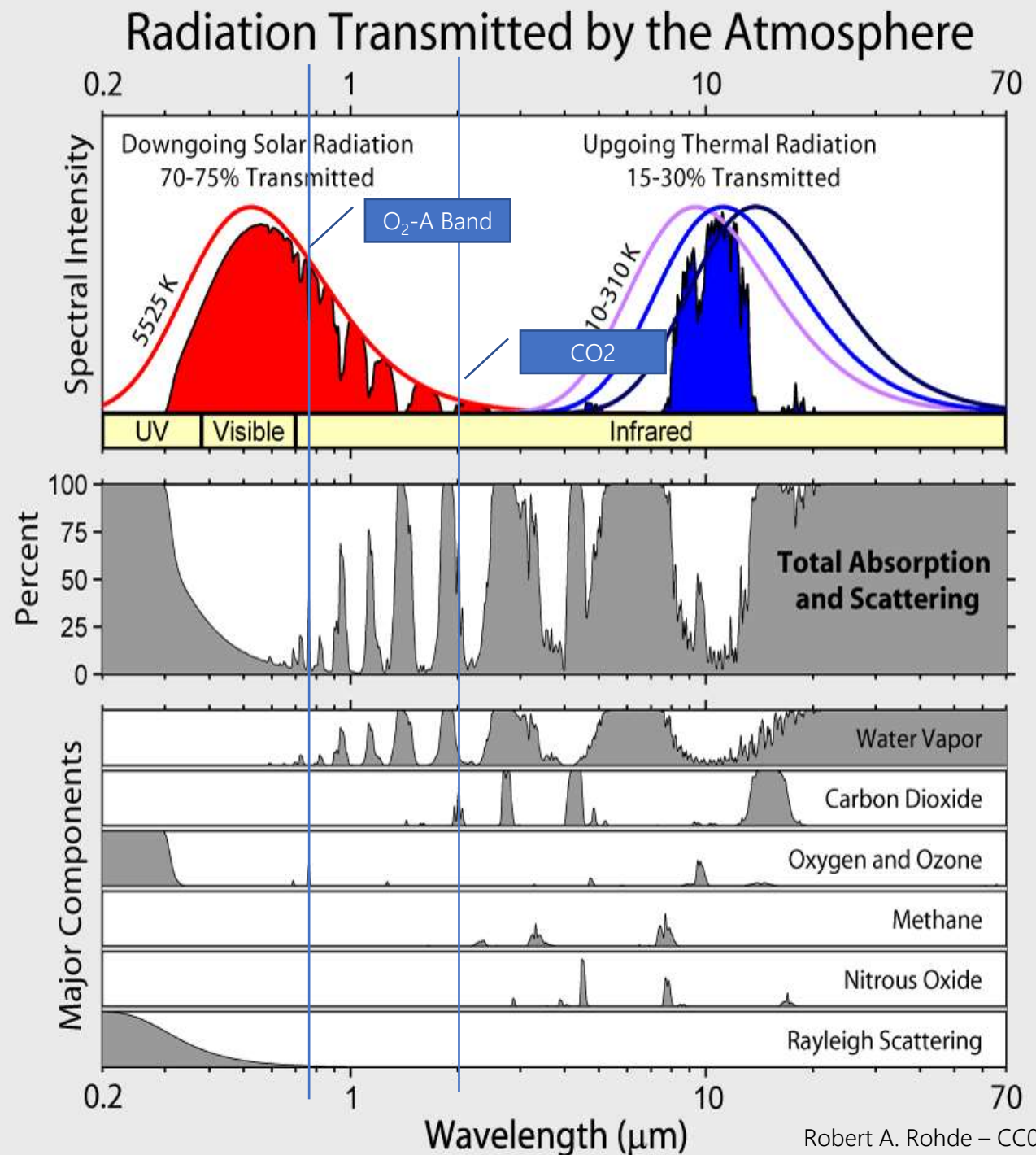
What can we see from Space?

2) Smoke

- Review from Week 7:
- Atmospheric Remote Sensing of Trace Gases
 - Trace gases absorb light at specific wavelengths
 - The amount of absorption that occurs as light passes through the atmosphere relates to the amount of that trace gas in the atmosphere

What trace gas datasets are available on Google Earth Engine?

Which are related to wildfire?



"TROPOMI" onboard Sentinel-5P



How should we adjust the example code?
What does each line do?

https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets/catalog/COPERNICUS_S5P_NRTI_L3_CO

```
COPERNICUS_S5P_NRTI_L3_CO *
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1 var collection = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/S5P/NRTI/L3_CO')
2   .select('CO_column_number_density')
3   .filterDate(start_date, end_date); //filters the collection of images by date
4
5 var band_viz = { //sets up visualization settings (this is used in line 11)
6   min: 0,
7   max: 0.05,
8   palette: ['black', 'blue', 'purple', 'cyan', 'green', 'yellow', 'red']
9 };
10
11 Map.addLayer(collection.mean(), band_viz, 'S5P CO'); //.mean() computes the mean value for each pixel
12 // .mean() calculates an image from a collection of images and is called a 'reducer' in GEE
13 Map.setCenter(-25.01, -4.28, 4); //centers the map on -25.01N -4.28E at zoom level 4
14
```

COPERNICUS_S5P_NRTI_L3_CO *

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```
1 var CO_collection = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/S5P/NRTI/L3_CO')
2   .select('CO_column_number_density')
3   .filterDate(start_date, end_date); //filters the collection of images by date
4
5 var band_viz = { //sets up visualization settings (this is used in line 11)
6   min: 0,
7   max: 0.05,
8   palette: ['black', 'blue', 'purple', 'cyan', 'green', 'yellow', 'red']
9 };
10
11 Map.addLayer(CO_collection.mean(), band_viz, 'S5P CO'); //.mean() computes the mean value for each pixel
12 // .mean() calculates an image from a collection of images and is called a 'reducer' in GEE
13
14
```

ActiveFires

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```
1 var start_date = '2023-05-01';
2 var end_date = '2023-06-30';
3
4 var Ontario = ee.FeatureCollection('FAO/GAUL_SIMPLIFIED_500m/2015/level1')
5   .filter(
6     ee.Filter.eq('ADM1_NAME', 'Ontario')
7   );
8 Map.addLayer({eeObject: Ontario, opacity: 0.25, name: 'Ontario'}); // add Ontario to the map
9 var Fire_dataset = ee.ImageCollection('FIRMS') //Adjust the name of the dataset
10 .filter(
11   ee.Filter.date(start_date, end_date) //filters the data to a date range
12 );
13 var fires = Fire_dataset.select('T21'); //selects a 'band' in Fire_dataset called 'T21'
14 var firesVis = { //sets up visualization settings (this is used later in line 12)
15   min: 325.0,
16   max: 400.0,
17   palette: ['red', 'orange', 'yellow'],
18 };
19 //Map.setCenter(-119.086, 47.295, 6); //Focuses on an area of interest
20 Map.centerObject({object: Ontario, zoom: 4}); //Centers the map on Ontario, at zoom level 4
21 Map.addLayer({eeObject: fires, visParams: firesVis, name: 'Fires'}); //adds the fires to the map
```

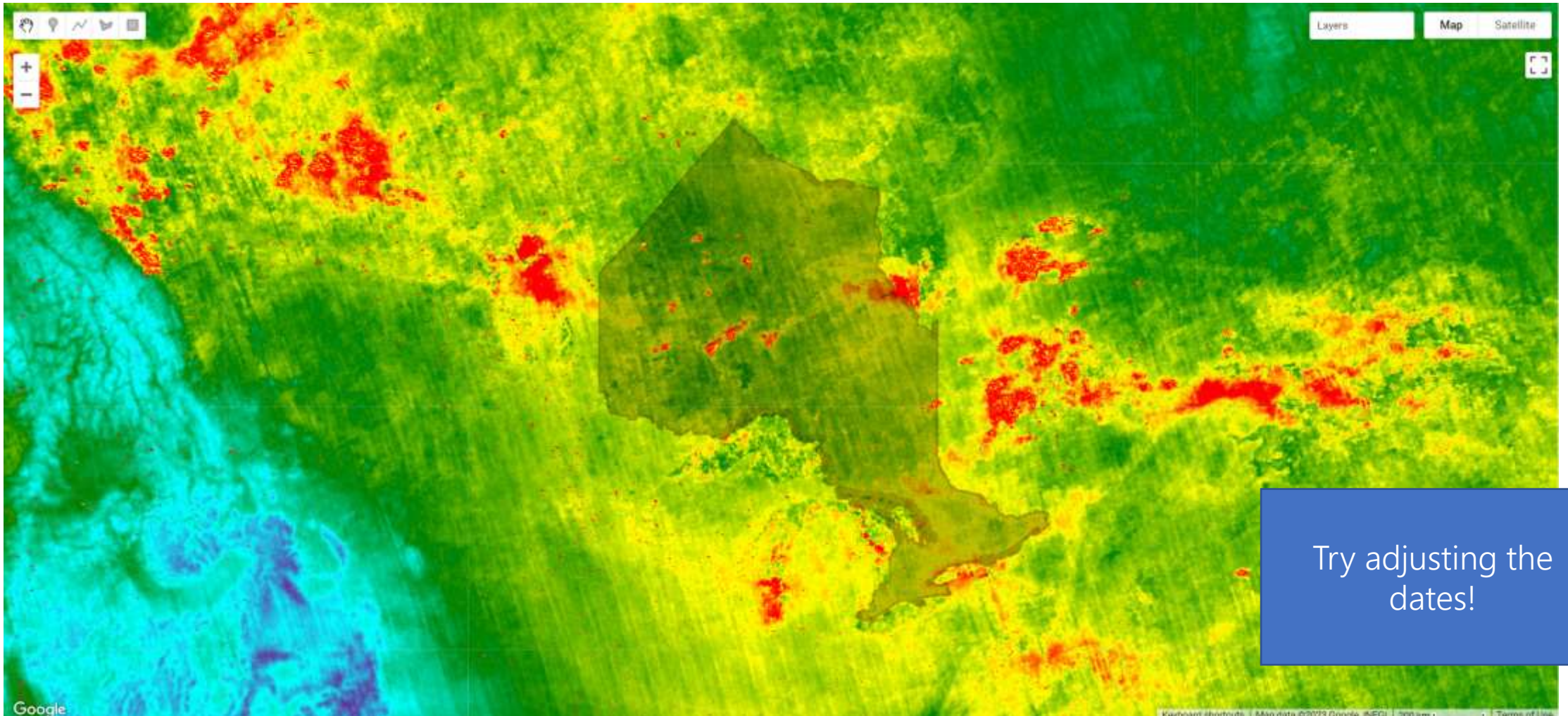
Let's add the new dataset to our script.
Reorder the Map.addLayer() lines in the
order we want things drawn

<https://tinyurl.com/GEEFireCO>



```
ActiveFires+CO *
1 //General Settings:
2 var start_date = '2023-05-01';
3 var end_date = '2023-06-30';
4
5 //Datasets
6 //Provincial Boundary
7 var Ontario = ee.FeatureCollection('FAO/GAUL_SIMPLIFIED_500m/2015/level1')
8   .filter(
9     ee.Filter.eq('ADM1_NAME', 'Ontario')
10  );
11
12 //FIRMS Active Fires
13 var Fire_dataset = ee.ImageCollection('FIRMS') //Adjust the name of the dataset
14   .filter(
15     ee.Filter.date(start_date, end_date) //filters the data to a date range
16   );
17 var fires = Fire_dataset.select('T21'); //selects a 'band' in Fire_dataset called 'T21'
18
19 //Tropomi/Sentinel-5P Carbon Monoxide
20 var CO_collection = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/S5P/NRTI/L3_CO')
21   .select('CO_column_number_density')
22   .filterDate(start_date, end_date); //filters the collection of images by date
23
24 // Visualization settings
25 var firesVis = {
26   min: 325.0,
27   max: 400.0,
28   palette: ['red', 'orange', 'yellow'],
29 };
30 var COviz = {
31   min: 0,
32   max: 0.05,
33   palette: ['black', 'blue', 'purple', 'cyan', 'green', 'yellow', 'red']
34 };
35
36
37 //Add layers to the map:
38 Map.centerObject({object: Ontario, zoom: 4}); //Centers the map on Ontario, at zoom level 4
39
40 Map.addLayer(CO_collection.mean(), COviz, 'S5P CO'); //adds mean CO column density to the map
41 Map.addLayer({eeObject: Ontario, opacity: 0.5, name: 'Ontario'}); // add Ontario to the map
42 Map.addLayer({eeObject: fires, visParams: firesVis, name: 'Fires'}); //adds the fires to the map
43
```


- Run what we have so far:
- <https://tinyurl.com/GEEFireCO>

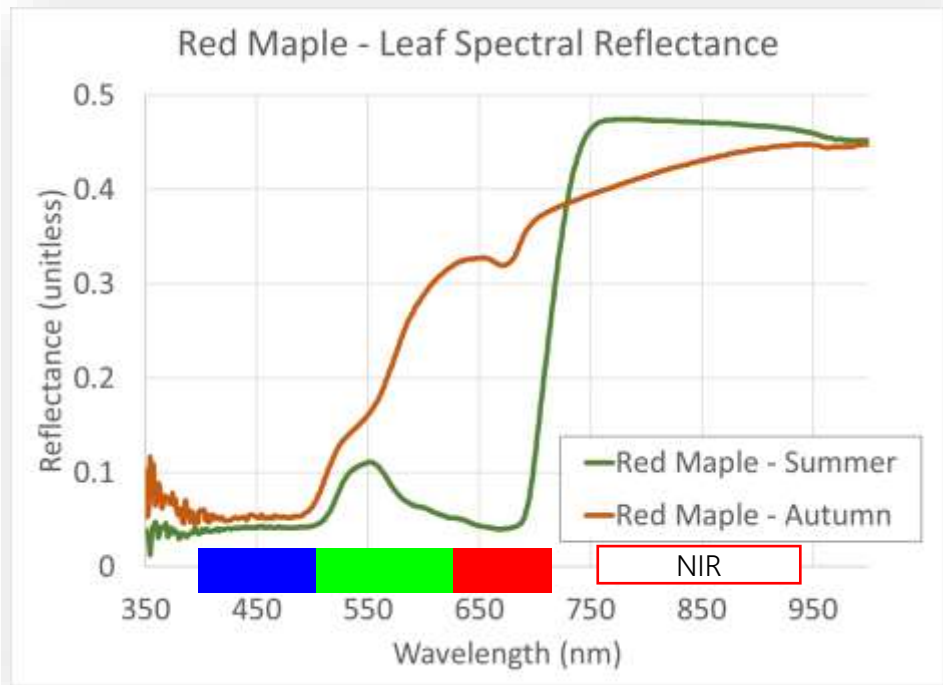


Try adjusting the
dates!

What can we see from Space?

3) Burned Landscape

Review from week 3:



A pixel's surface reflectance is affected by the spectral signatures of objects within the image pixel

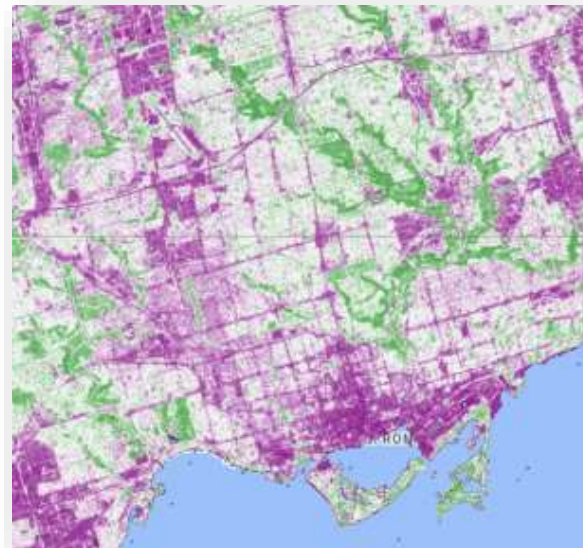
We can map false colour composites to highlight spectral differences



True Colour Landsat 9 Image
R= Red; G=Green; B=Blue



False Colour Landsat 9 Image
R = NIR; G = Red; B = Green



We can calculate indices to highlight spectral information:

$$NDVI = \frac{NIR - RED}{NIR + RED}$$

What can we see from Space?

3) Burned Landscape

Review from week 3:

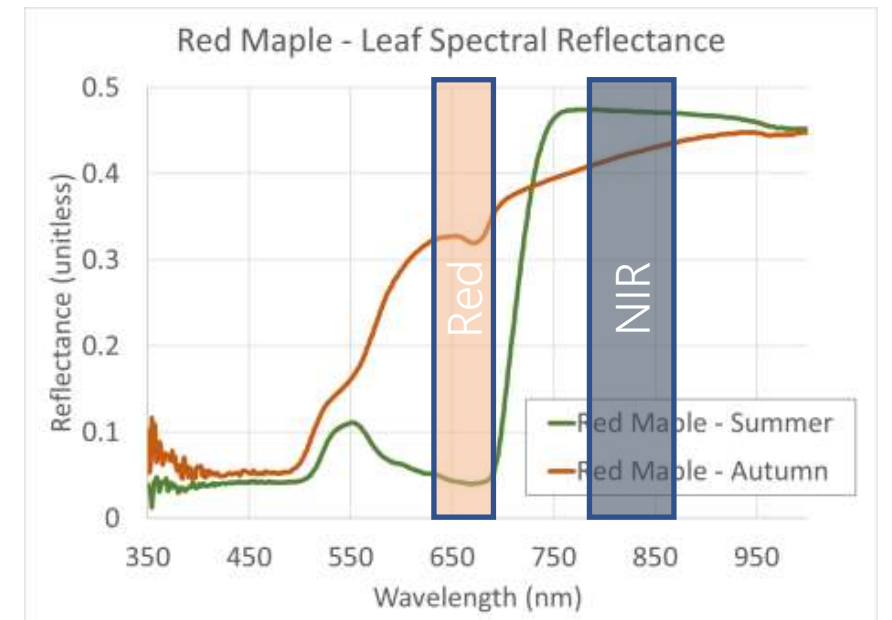
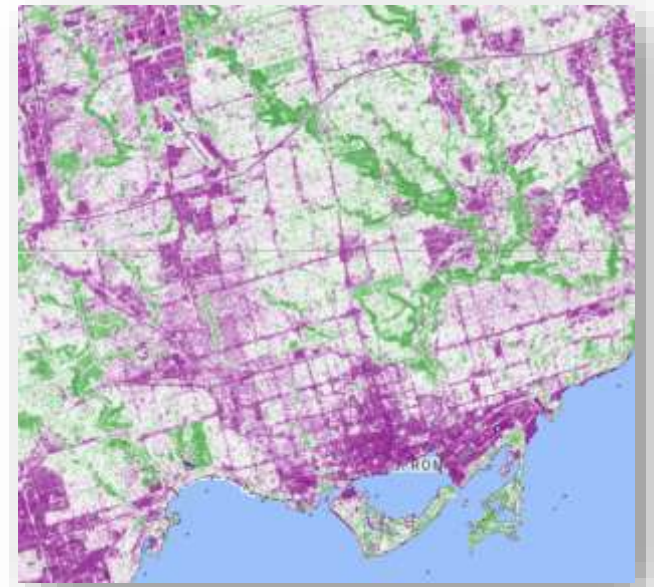
- ***Spectral Indices***: combine pixel values from 2 bands (or more) to highlight spectral differences.
- ***NDVI***: Normalized Difference Vegetation Index

$$NDVI = \frac{NIR - Red}{NIR + Red}$$

$$Summer\ Leaf\ NDVI = \frac{0.48 - 0.05}{0.48 + 0.05} = \frac{0.43}{0.53} = 0.81$$

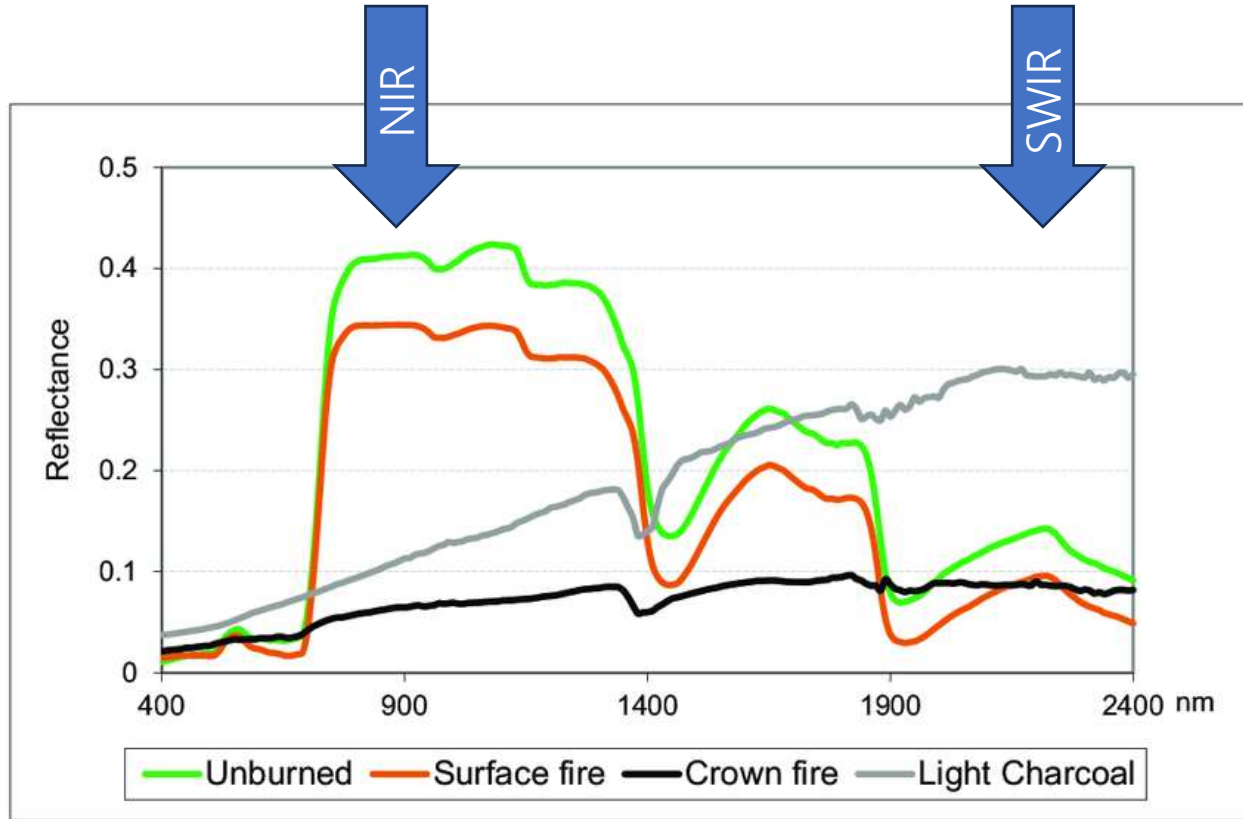
$$Autumn\ Leaf\ NDVI = \frac{0.43 - 0.33}{0.43 + 0.33} = \frac{0.1}{0.76} = 0.13$$

Purple: Low NDVI
Green: High NDVI



What can we see from Space?

3) Burned Landscape



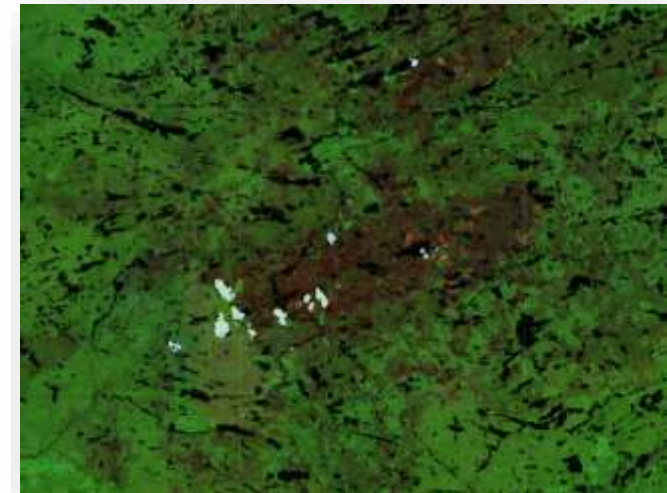
Chuveico et al. 2019; DOI:10.1016/j.rse.2019.02.013

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True Colour
R= Red; G=Green; B=Blue



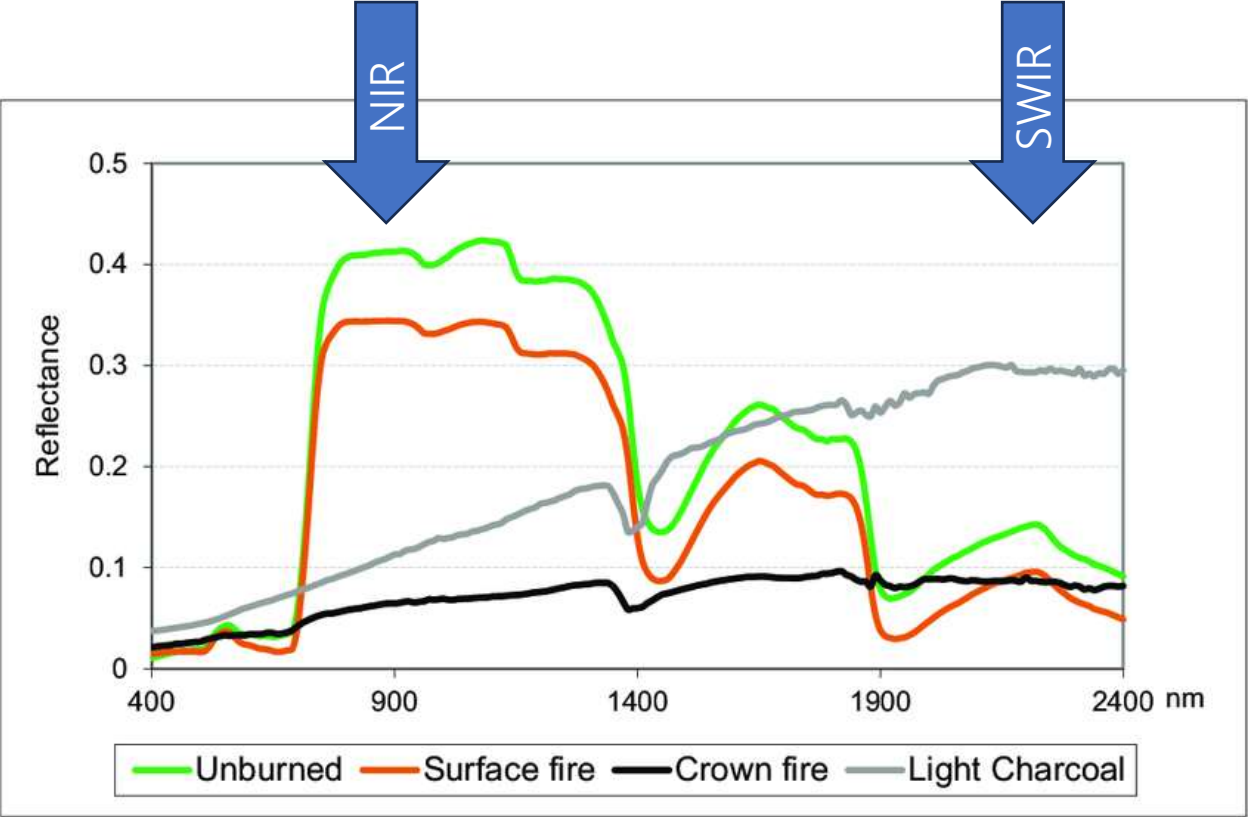
False Colour
R= SWIR; G=NIR; B=Red



Fire tends to reduce reflectance in the Near Infrared (NIR), and increase reflectance in the Shortwave Infrared (SWIR)

What can we see from Space?

3) Burned Landscape



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Normalized Burn Ratio:

$$NBR = \frac{NIR - SWIR}{NIR + SWIR}$$

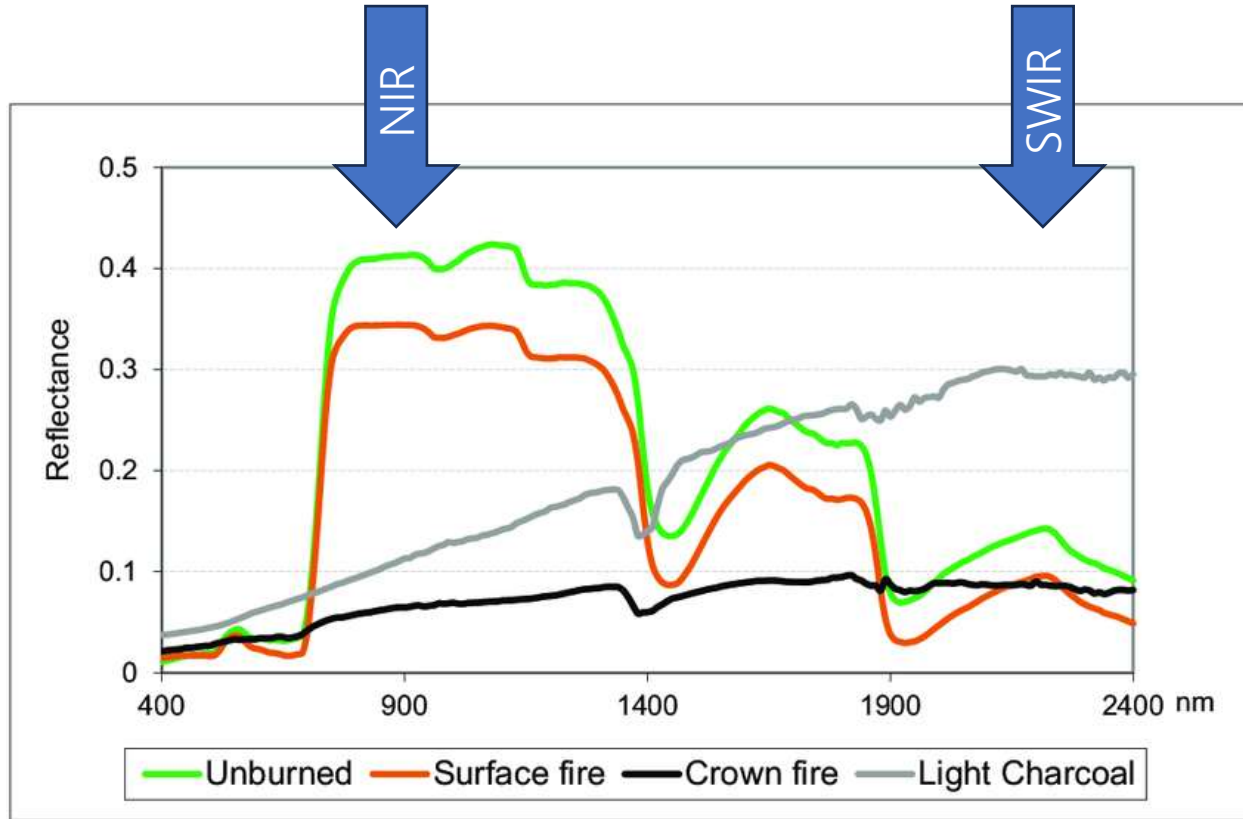
Burn Category:	NIR	SWIR	NBR
Unburned:	0.41	0.14	0.49
Surface Fire:	0.34	0.08	0.62
Crown Fire:	0.06	0.08	-0.14
Charcoal:	0.10	0.30	-0.50

*NBR First proposed by
López García and Caselles (1991) DOI:10.1080/10106049109354290

Fire tends to reduce reflectance in the Near Infrared (NIR), and increase reflectance in the Shortwave Infrared (SWIR)

What can we see from Space?

3) Burned Landscape

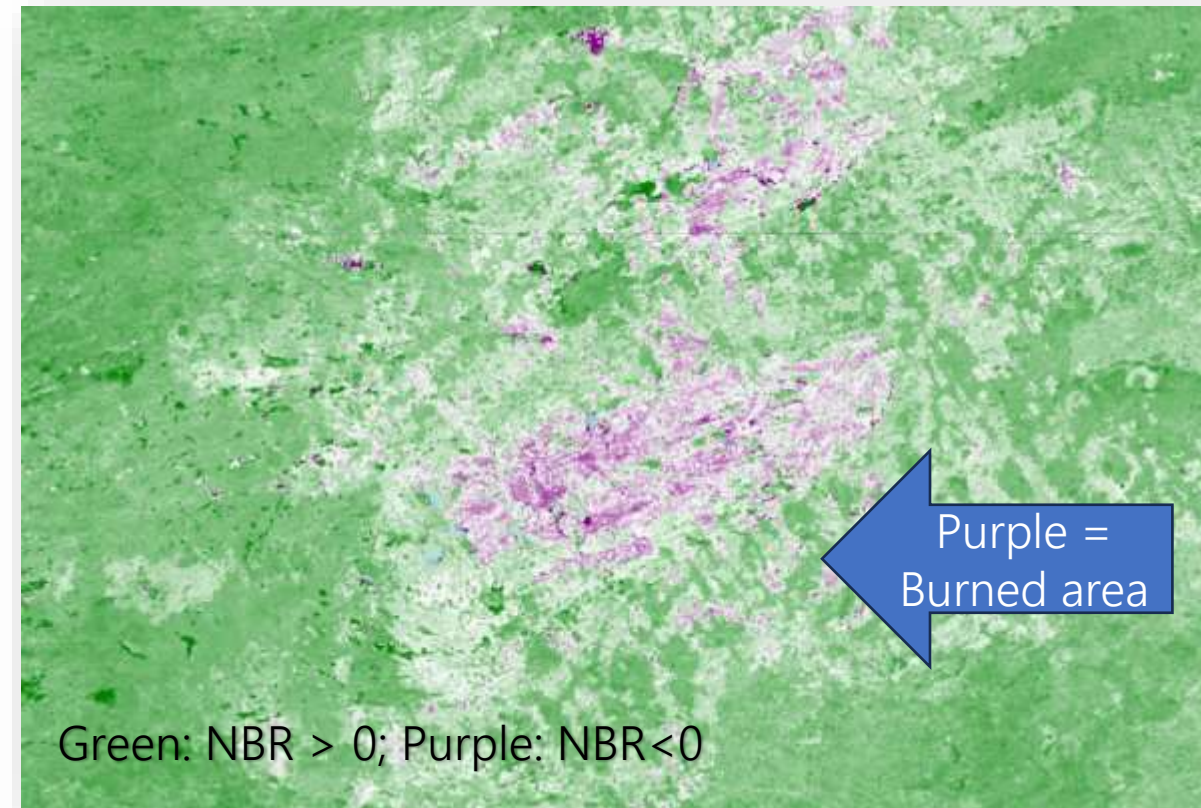


Chuveico et al. 2019; DOI:10.1016/j.rse.2019.02.013

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Normalized Burn Ratio:

$$NBR = \frac{NIR - SWIR}{NIR + SWIR}$$



Fire tends to reduce reflectance in the Near Infrared (NIR), and increase reflectance in the Shortwave Infrared (SWIR)

Mapping burned areas in GEE using Landsat 9 surface reflectance:



- Data Catalog description: <https://tinyurl.com/Landsat9Description>
- Start from the Example Code
 - what should we change or keep?

```
var dataset = ee.ImageCollection('LANDSAT/LC09/C02/T1_L2')
    .filterDate('2022-01-01', '2022-02-01');

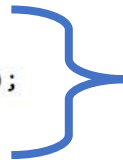
// Applies scaling factors.
function applyScaleFactors(image) {
  var opticalBands = image.select('SR_B.').multiply(0.0000275).add(-0.2);
  var thermalBands = image.select('ST_B.*').multiply(0.00341802).add(149.0);
  return image.addBands(opticalBands, null, true)
    .addBands(thermalBands, null, true);
}

dataset = dataset.map(applyScaleFactors);

var visualization = {
  bands: ['SR_B4', 'SR_B3', 'SR_B2'],
  min: 0.0,
  max: 0.3,
};

Map.setCenter(-114.2579, 38.9275, 8);

Map.addLayer(dataset, visualization, 'True Color (432)');
```



Description Bands Image Properties Terms of Use							
Resolution							
30 meters							
Bands							
Name	Units	Min	Max	Scale	Offset	Wavelength	Description
SR_B1		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	0.435-0.451 µm	Band 1 (ultra blue, coastal aerosol) surface reflectance
SR_B2		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	0.452-0.512 µm	Band 2 (blue) surface reflectance
SR_B3		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	0.533-0.590 µm	Band 3 (green) surface reflectance
SR_B4		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	0.636-0.673 µm	Band 4 (red) surface reflectance
SR_B5		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	0.851-0.879 µm	Band 5 (near infrared) surface reflectance
SR_B6		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	1.566-1.651 µm	Band 6 (shortwave infrared 1) surface reflectance
SR_B7		1	65455	2.75e-05	-0.2	2.107-2.294 µm	Band 7 (shortwave infrared 2) surface reflectance

Landsat Quality Flags:

Bit #:	7 Water	6 Clear	5 Snow	4 Cloud Shadow	3 Cloud	2 Cirrus	1 Dilated Cloud	0 Unused
True	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
False	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

QA_PIXEL

Bitmask for QA_PIXEL

- Bit 0: Fill
- Bit 1: Dilated Cloud
- Bit 2: Cirrus (high confidence)
- Bit 3: Cloud
- Bit 4: Cloud Shadow
- Bit 5: Snow
- Bit 6: Clear
 - 0: Cloud or Dilated Cloud bits are set
 - 1: Cloud and Dilated Cloud bits are not set
- Bit 7: Water

```
function QALandsat(image) {
  var qa = image.select('QA_PIXEL');
  // QA flags are stored as a bitmask. We need to decode the information in the 16 bit binary number.
  // the leftShift function shifts a binary number by the specified number of positions e.g. 0000001 to 0000010.
  // This allows us to extract the bit we want to check without converting to/from binary numbers.
  // First we identify the bit we're interested in for each quality flag;
  // Note: the first bit position is bit 0
  var DilatedCloud = ee.Number(1).leftShift(1); // 00000010 i.e. from shifting 0000001 left by 1 position
  var Cirrus = ee.Number(1).leftShift(2); // 000000100 i.e. from shifting 0000001 left by 2 positions
  var Cloud = ee.Number(1).leftShift(3); // 000001000
  var CloudShadow = ee.Number(1).leftShift(4); // 000010000
  var Snow = ee.Number(1).leftShift(5); // 000100000
  var Clear = ee.Number(1).leftShift(6); // 001000000
  var Water = ee.Number(1).leftShift(7); // 010000000

  // Next we test if the bit value in the QA pixel
  // and our value defined above are set to 0 in the bit position we're interested in
  // i.e. bitwiseAnd of 110111000 and
  // 001000000 is 000000000, or equal to 0
  // whereas bitwiseAnd of 001001000 and
  // 001000000 is 001000000, or not equal to 0
  // we test each of the bits we're interested in separately:

  //Two options:
  var clearPixels1 = qa.bitwiseAnd(Clear).neq(0);

  var clearPixels2 =
    qa.bitwiseAnd(DilatedCloud).eq(0)
    .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(Cirrus).eq(0))
    .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(Cloud).eq(0))
    .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(CloudShadow).eq(0))
    .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(Snow).eq(0))
    // .and(qa.bitwiseAnd(Water).eq(0)); // we can comment/uncomment each line to select what we wish to mask

  return image.updateMask(clearPixels2); //applies the mask to each pixel in the image
}
```

Load the Landsat data and apply the scale factors and QA mask

```
var L9_BANDS = ['SR_B2', 'SR_B3', 'SR_B4', 'SR_B5', 'SR_B6', 'SR_B7', 'ST_B10'];
var STD_NAMES = ['blue', 'green', 'red', 'nir', 'swir1', 'swir2', 'temp'];

var Landsat9 = ee.ImageCollection('LANDSAT/LC09/C02/T1_L2') //Loads the Landsat 9 image collection
  .filterDate(start_date, end_date) //filters the image collection by date
  .map(applyScaleFactors) //applies the applyScaleFactors function to each image in the collection
  .map(QALandsat) //applies the QALandsat function to each image in the collection
  .select(L9_BANDS, STD_NAMES) //selects only the bands we want, and renames them
  .median() ; //calculates the median pixel value across the filtered, masked, collection.
// The 'median()' is a function called a 'reducer' in earth engine that converts an image collection
// to a single image.
```


Set Visualization Settings

```
69 //Landsat True Colour
70 var visualizationTrueColor = {
71   bands: ['red', 'green', 'blue'],
72   min: 0.0,
73   max: 0.3
74 };
75
76 //Landsat False Colour - Vegetation
77 var visualizationFC = {
78   bands: ['nir', 'red', 'green'],
79   min: 0.0,
80   max: 0.5
81 };
82
83 //Landsat False Colour - Fire
84 var visualizationFire = {
85   bands: ['swir2', 'nir', 'red'],
86   min: 0.0,
87   max: 0.5
88 };
89
```

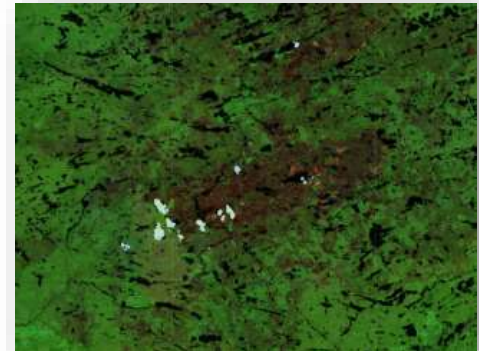
True Colour Landsat 9 Image
R= Red; G=Green; B=Blue



False Colour Landsat 9 Image
R = NIR; G = Red; B = Green



False Colour
R= SWIR; G=NIR; B=Red



Calculate Indices:

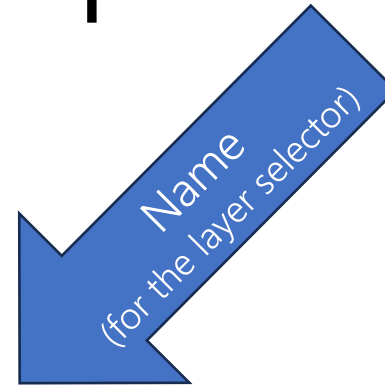
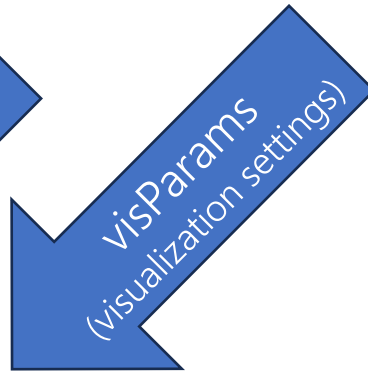
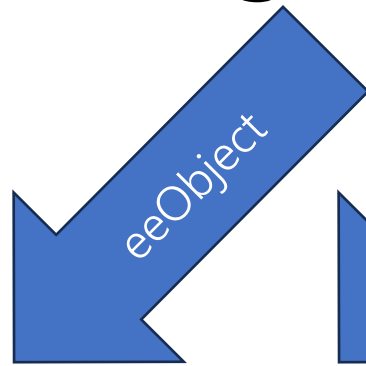
$$NDVI = \frac{NIR - Red}{NIR + Red}$$

$$NBR = \frac{NIR - SWIR}{NIR + SWIR}$$

```
// NDVI = (NIR-RED)/(NIR+RED)
var NDVI = Landsat9.select('nir').subtract(Landsat9.select('red'))
    .divide(Landsat9.select('nir').add(Landsat9.select('red')));

// NBR = (NIR-SWIR)/(NIR+SWIR)
var NBR = Landsat9.select('nir').subtract(Landsat9.select('swir2'))
    .divide(Landsat9.select('nir').add(Landsat9.select('swir2')));
```

Add Everything to the Map



```
Map.addLayer(Landsat9, visualizationTrueColor, 'True Colour (432)');
Map.addLayer(Landsat9, visualizationFire, 'False Colour (754)');
Map.addLayer(Landsat9, visualizationFC, 'False Colour (543)');
Map.addLayer(
  {eeObject: NDVI,
   visParams: {palette : ['purple','white','green'],
    min: 0, max: 0.7},
   name: 'NDVI'
});
Map.addLayer(
  {eeObject: NBR,
   visParams: {palette : ['purple','white','green'],
    min: -0.7, max: 0.7},
   name: 'NBR'
});
```

Since NDVI and NBR are single band images, we use a “palette”, rather than assigning bands to Red, Green, and Blue

Adjust the dates:

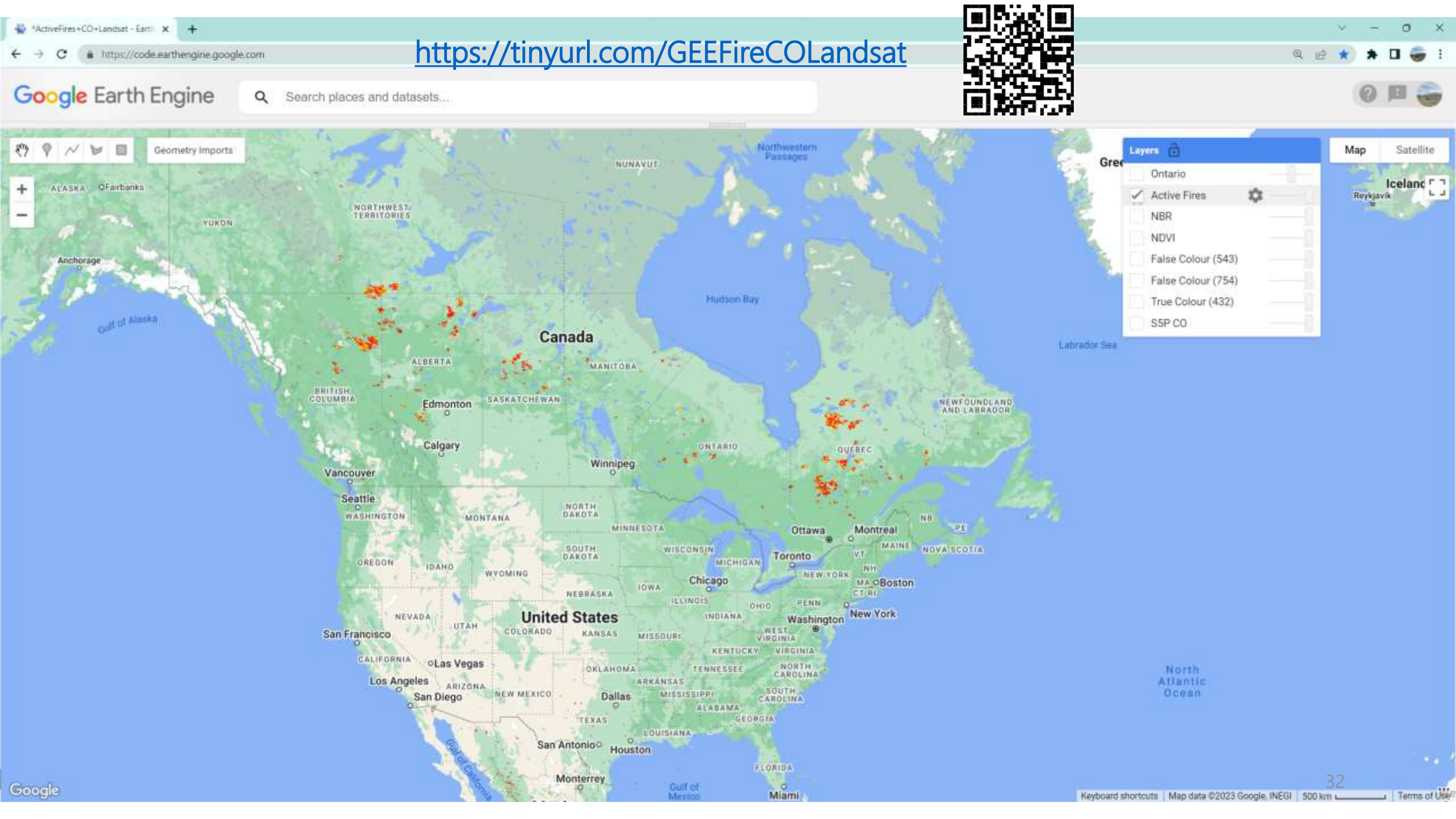
- We will want to make sure the fire occurred before the Landsat imagery was acquired:

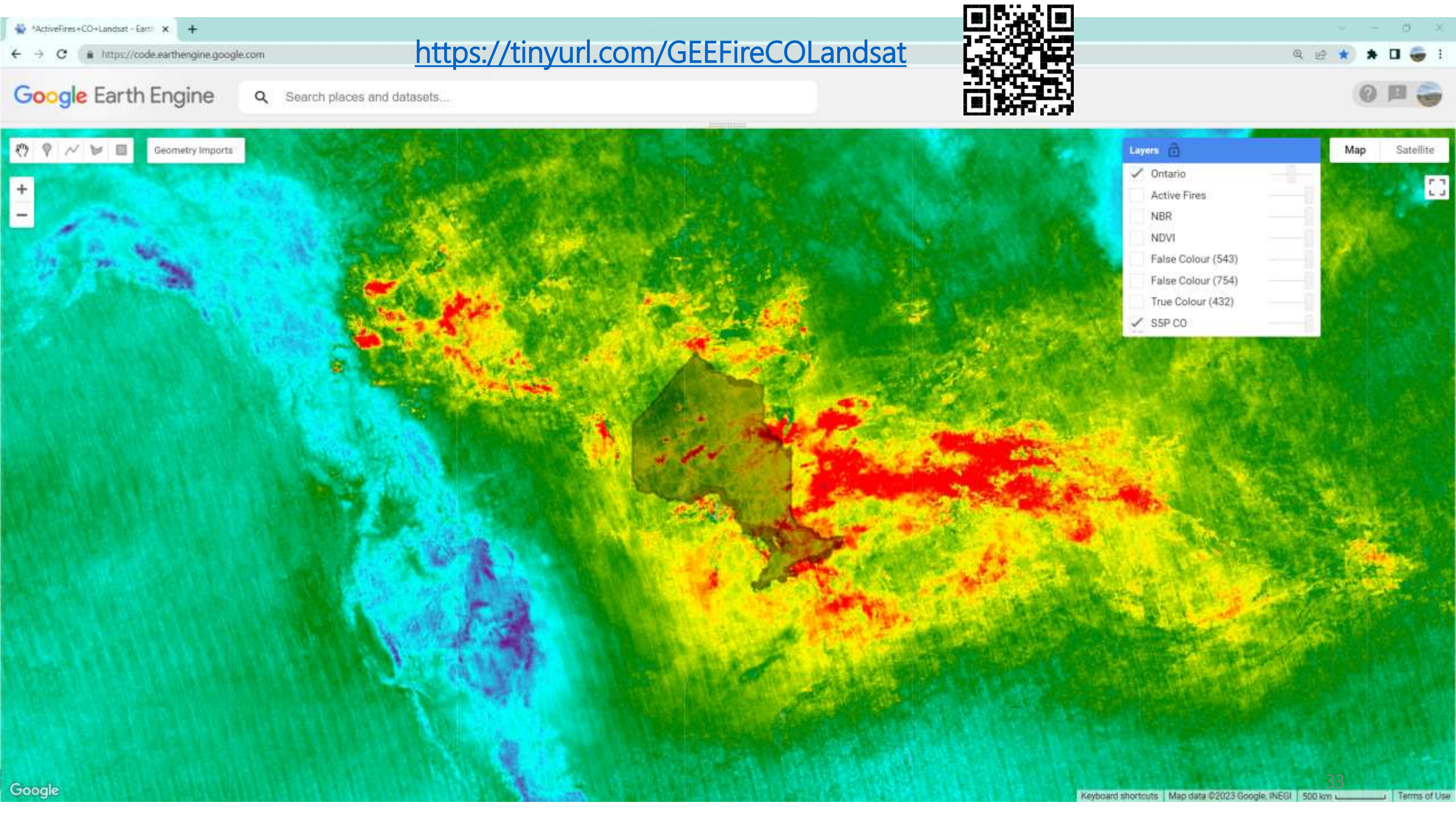
```
3 //Date range for active fire and carbon monoxide data:
4 var start_date_fire_co = '2023-06-01';
5 var end_date_fire_co = '2023-06-15';
6
7 //Date range for Landsat imagery:
8 var start_date Landsat = '2023-06-15';
9 var end_date Landsat = '2023-06-30';
```

```
18 //FIRMS Active Fires
19 var Fire_dataset = ee.ImageCollection('FIRMS') //Adjust the name of the dataset
20 .filter(
21   ee.Filter.date(start_date_fire_co, end_date_fire_co) //filters the data to a date range
22 );
23 var fires = Fire_dataset.select('T21').mean(); //selects a 'band' in Fire_dataset called 'T21'
24
25 //Tropomi/Sentinel-5P Carbon Monoxide
26 var CO_collection = ee.ImageCollection('COPERNICUS/S5P/NRTI/L3_CO')
27   .select('CO_column_number_density')
28   .filterDate(start_date_fire_co, end_date_fire_co) //filters the collection of images by date
```

```
79 var Landsat9 = ee.ImageCollection('LANDSAT/LC09/C02/T1_L2') //Loads the Landsat 9 image collection
80   .filterDate(start_date_Landsat, end_date_Landsat) //filters the image collection by date
81   .map(applyScaleFactors) //applies the applyScaleFactors function to each image in the collection
82   .map(QALandsat) //applies the QALandsat function to each image in the collection
83   .select(L9_BANDS, STD_NAMES) //selects only the bands we want, and renames them
84   .median(); //calculates the median pixel value across the filtered, masked, collection.
85   // The 'median()' is a function called a 'reducer' in earth engine that converts an image collection
86   // to a single image.
```



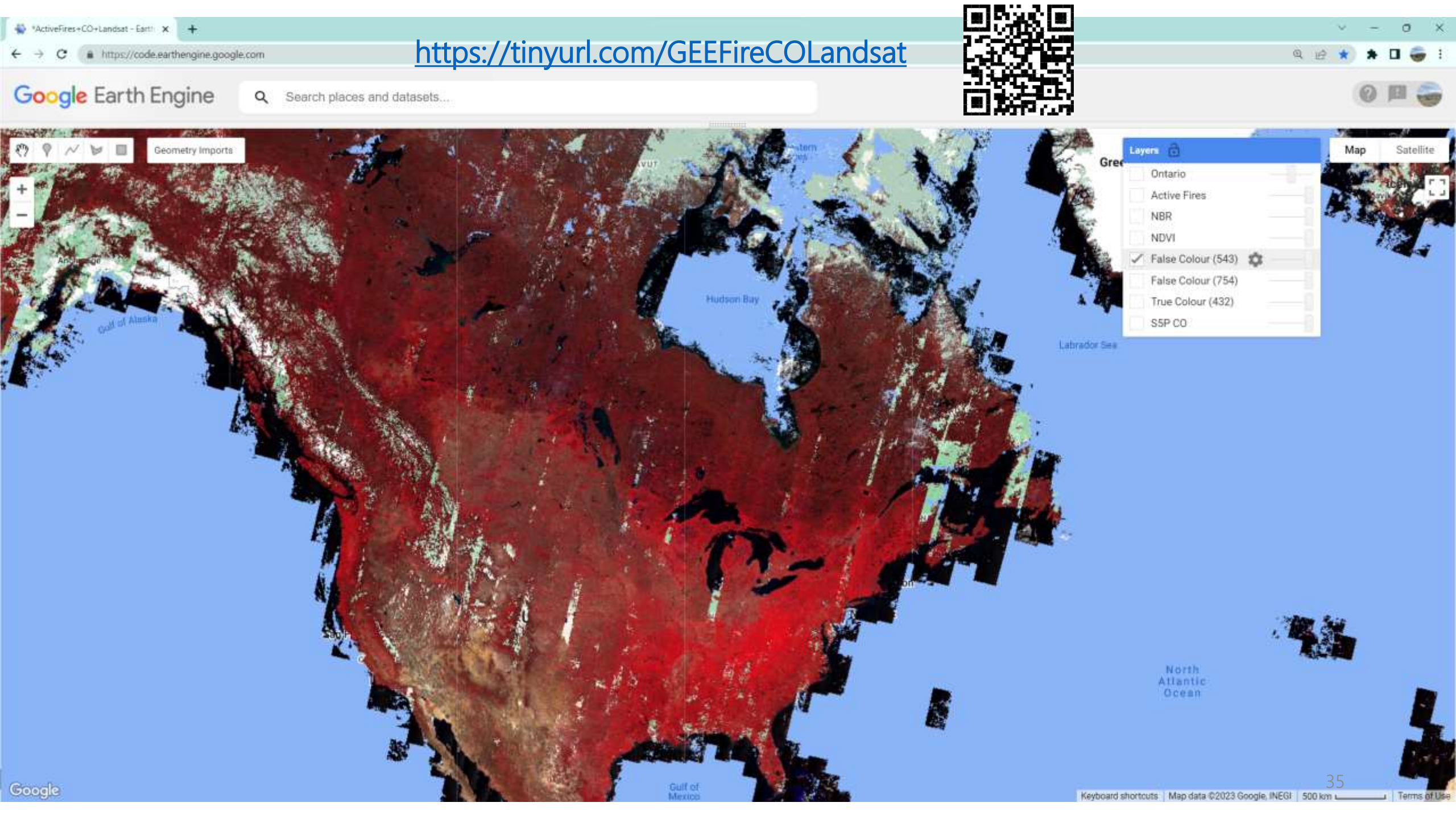






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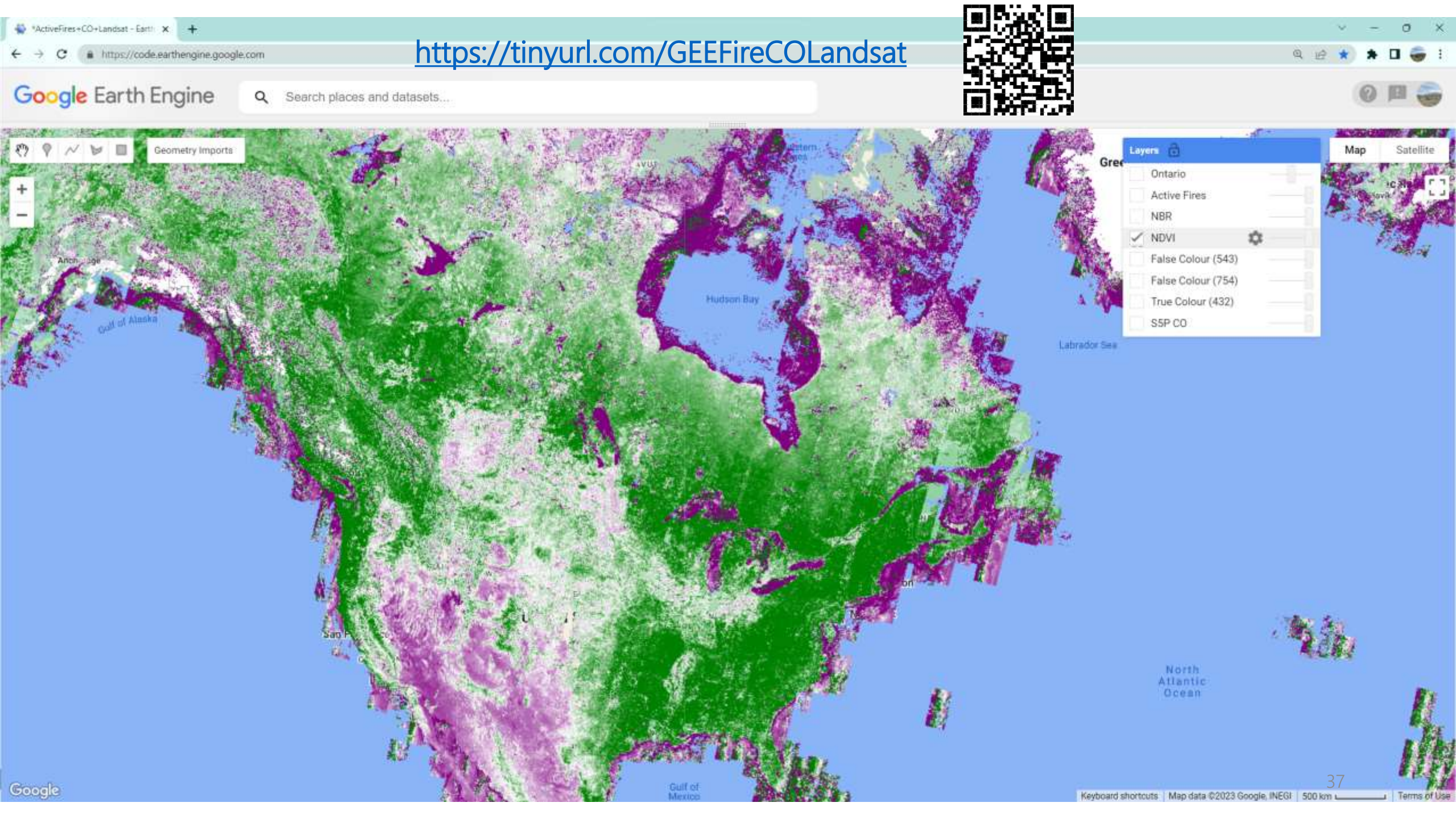
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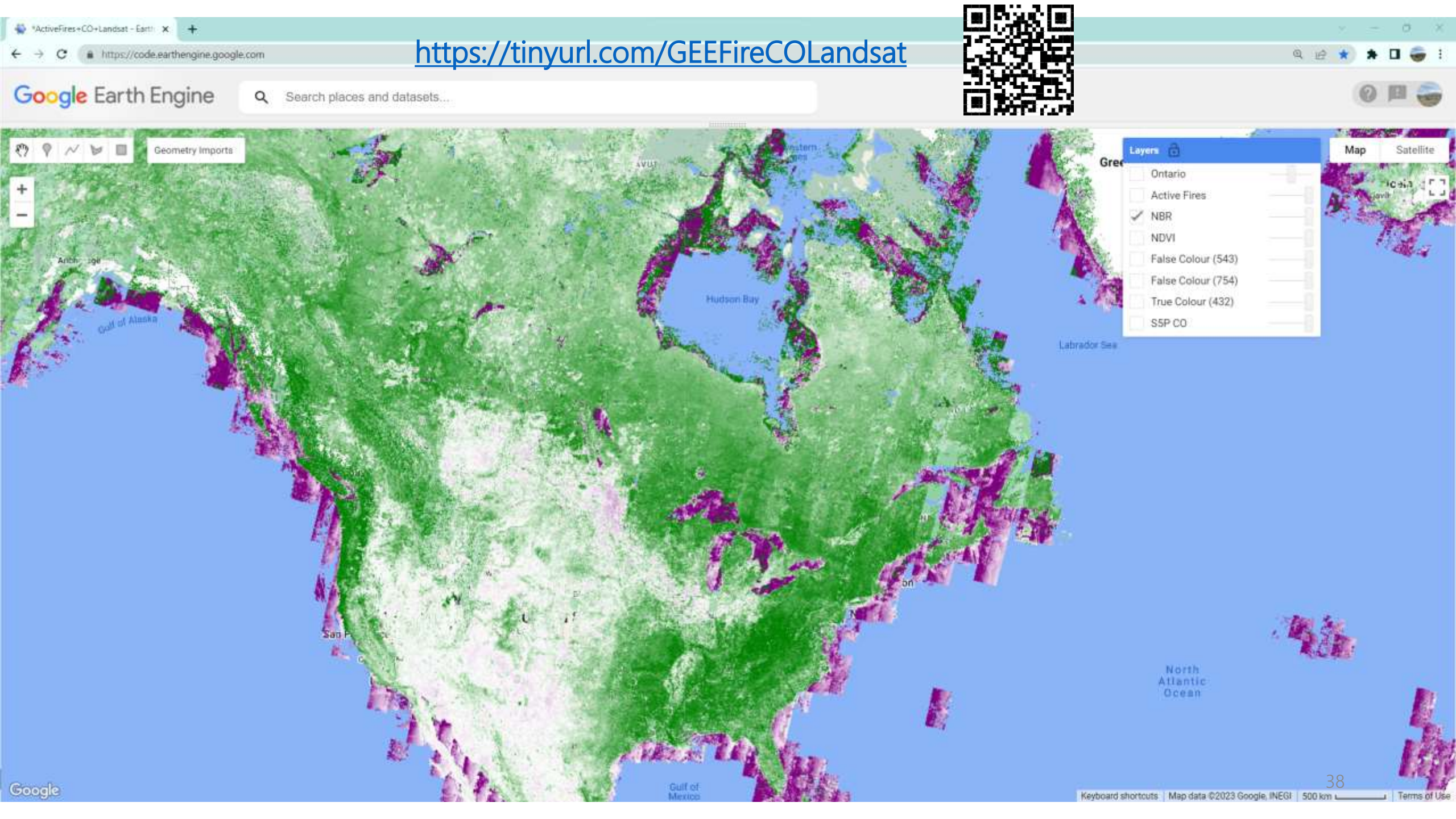




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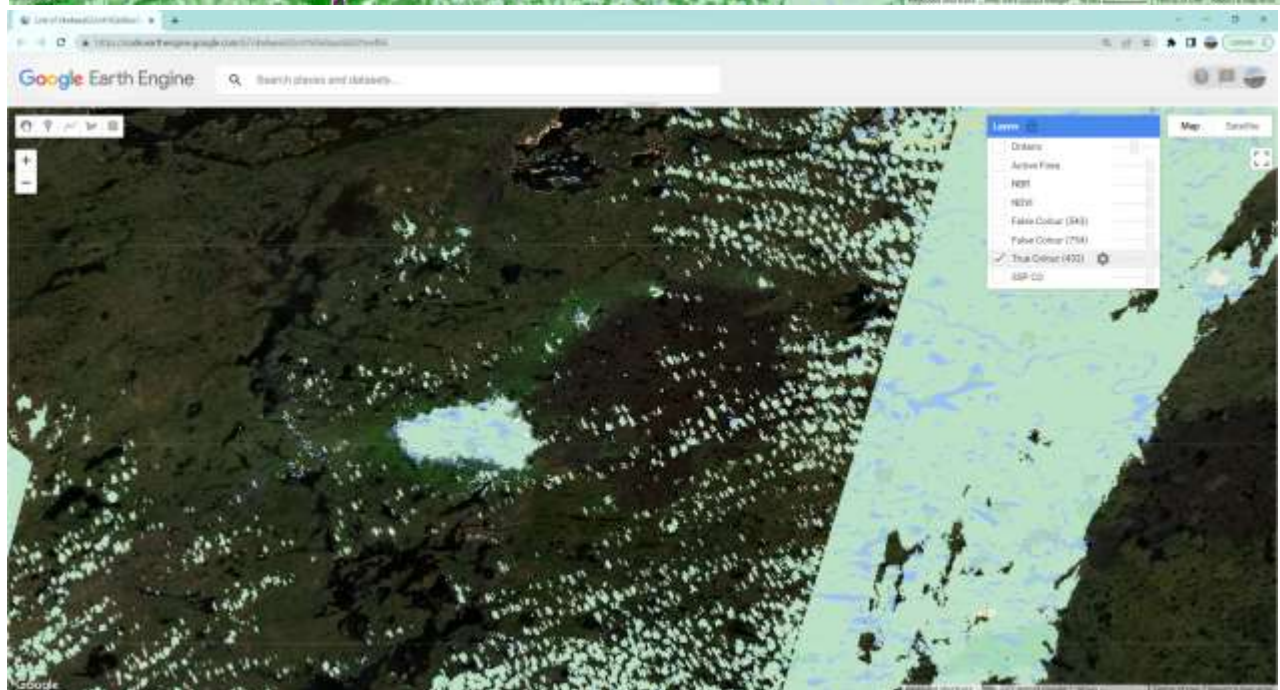
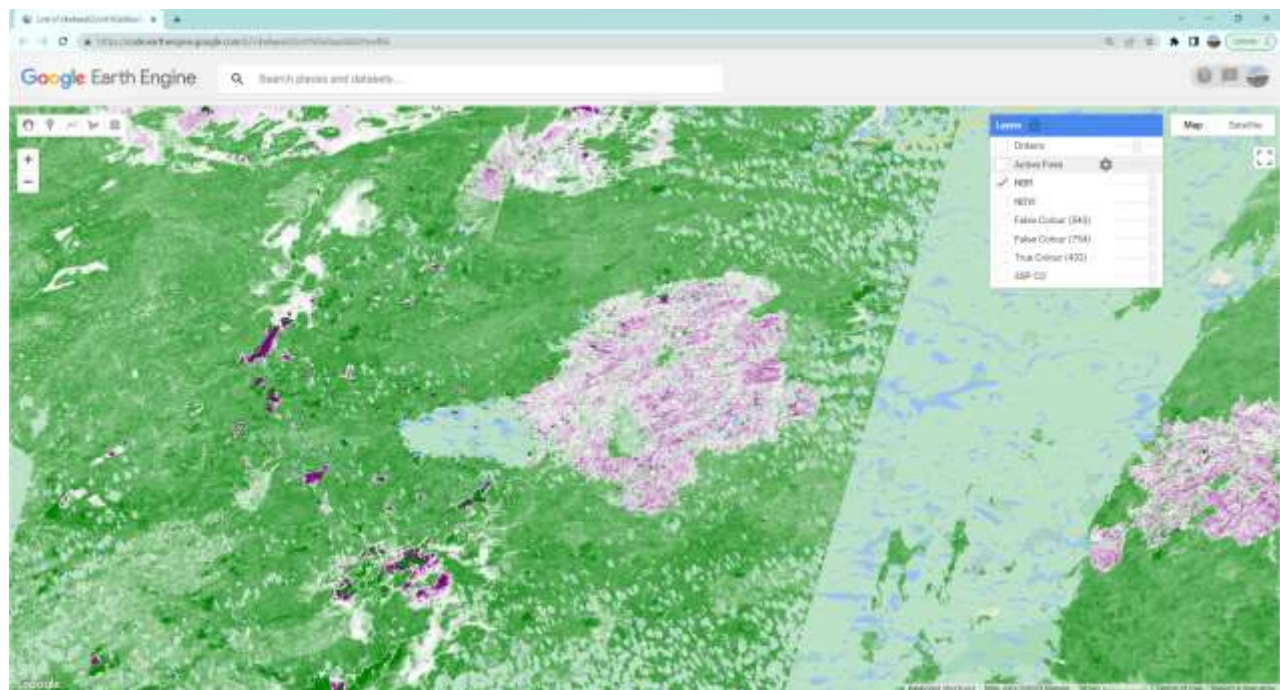
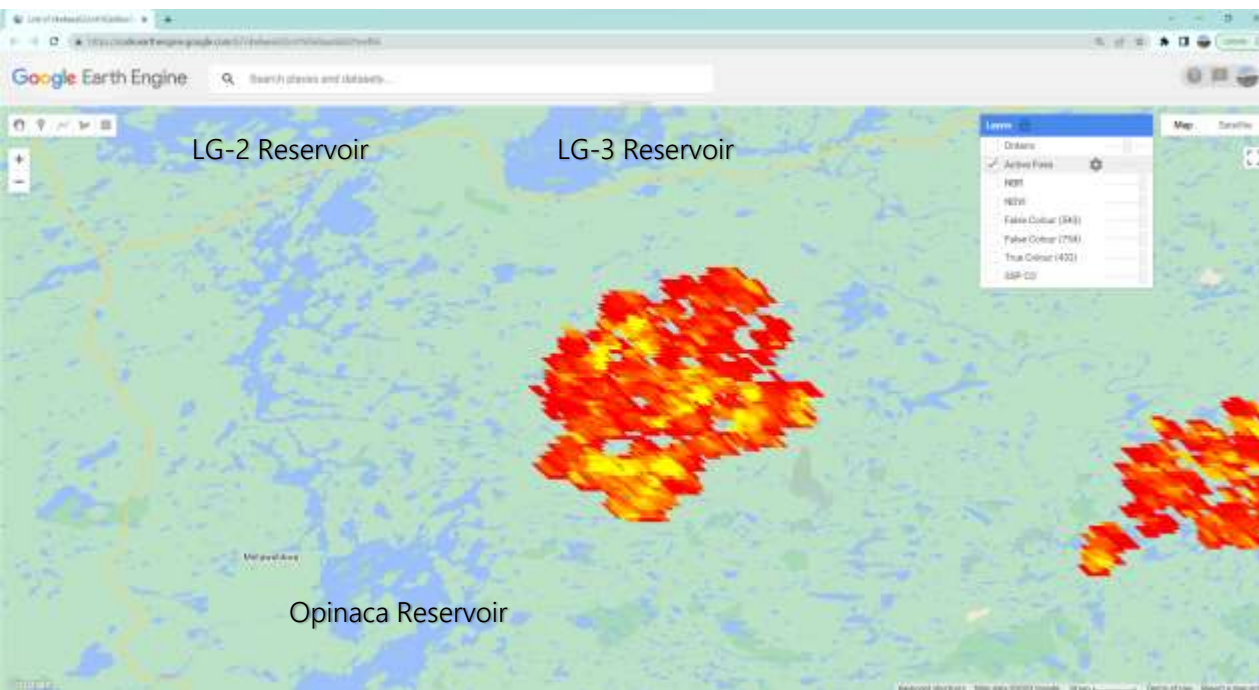






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Explore:

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Note: don't be afraid of 'breaking' the code! If you encounter an error, you can always start over from the link!

Suggestions:

- Look at different regions across Canada or even the World (Zoom in/out)
- Look at different date ranges
 - Is the atmospheric Carbon Monoxide different from the same time last year (May – June)?
 - When does fire typically occur in different areas of the world?
 - Are there more fires this year than last year?
 - Landsat 9 was launched in Sept. 2021, is there an alternative surface reflectance dataset we could use for previous years? Search the GEE data catalogue at: <https://developers.google.com/earth-engine/datasets>
 - What happens to the Landsat Imagery if the date range only includes a few days?
 - For how long after a fire is a burn scar detectable with Landsat?
 - How might we detect change over time using NDVI or NBR?
- Adjust the Visualization Settings for the different layers. Try a different color palette, or adjusting max and min values
- What happens to the Landsat Imagery if you don't mask bad pixels?
- How could you update the code to monitor this summer's fire season as it progresses?

Wrap - Up

- Select a SMALL area (a single fire) to export a Landsat 9 image
 - Use the rectangular geometry tool.
- You will use this data for Assignment 4 – Change detection and 3D visualization of Canada's 2023 Wildfire Season in ArcGIS Pro

```
Export.image.toDrive({  
    image: Landsat9,  
    folder: "yourAssignment4Folder",  
    fileNamePrefix: "yourFileName",  
    region: geometry,  
    crsTransform: Landsat9.select('red').projection().getInfo().transform,  
    crs: Landsat9.select('red').projection().getInfo().crs  
});
```


Summary:

- We applied the theoretical concepts from previous lectures using Satellite Datasets and Google Earth Engine:
 - Thermal: MODIS
 - Atmospheric: TROPOMI (Sentinel 5P)
 - Optical: Landsat
- We can now perform the following tasks in Google Earth Engine:
 - Import data for analysis
 - Filter image collections and feature collections by criteria such as:
 - Properties
 - Date
 - Image bands
 - Mask poor quality pixels
 - Calculate Vegetation Indices
 - Customize image visualizations
 - Export images to Google Drive for offline analysis (e.g. in ArcGIS Pro)