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Welcome and Overview

Statistical Methods for Estimating Abundance in Ecology

Virtual Workshop
Nov 29 – Dec 6, 2021

Instructors

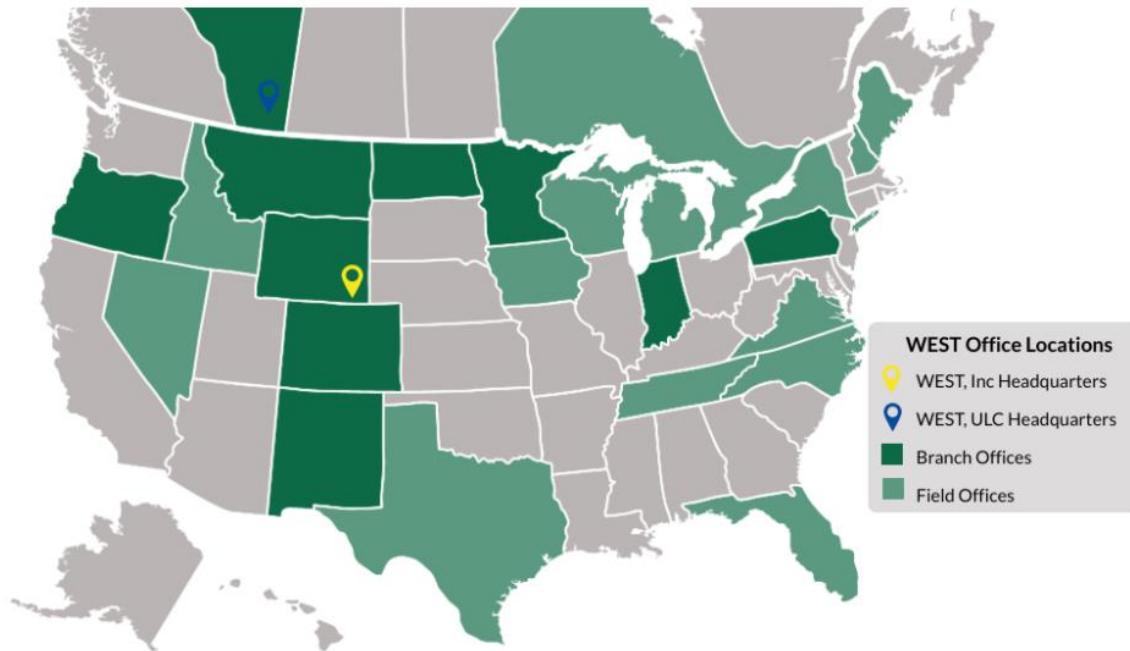
- Gabe Barrile
 - Post-doctoral Research Scientist; Colorado State University
 - Recent alumni of UWyo, recipient of EPSCoR Data-Science Internship
- Jason Carlisle
 - Consulting Statistician; WEST, Inc.
- Tom Prebyl
 - Associate Statistician; WEST, Inc.

- The Established Program to Stimulate Competitive Research (EPSCoR)
- A National Science Foundation (NSF) program to promote scientific progress nationwide



Western EcoSystems Technology, Inc. (WEST)

- Environmental and Statistical Consulting
- 180 full-time employees
- Offices in 10 states/provinces
- Remote staff in another 14 states/provinces



WEST/EPSCoR Data-Science Workshops

- **Goal:** Motivate learning and mastery of computational and data-science technologies and theory through experience in completing analyses in ecology
- 4-6 per year through 2022
- More info
 - <https://west-inc.com/news-insights/workshops/>
 - <https://microcollaborative.atlassian.net/wiki/spaces/DSC/pages/1749352457/>



Workshop Philosophy and Expectations

“Education is not the
filling of a pail, but the
lighting of a fire”

- William Butler Yeats (or Plutarch?)

Workshop Materials

- Will be emailed before each session
- Available online at GitHub
 - <https://github.com/gbarrile/AbundanceWorkshop>
 - Materials under active development this week
 - Long-term home for materials if you want to revisit later
- This workshop is an outgrowth from a wonderful online course developed by Gabe Barrile about Population Modeling in Ecology
 - <https://github.com/gbarrile/PopEcoModeling>

Content

- Session 1 (11/29): N-Mixture model
 - Session 2 (12/1): Distance sampling
 - Session 3 (12/3): Capture-mark-recapture
 - Session 4 (12/6): Open work time
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- Same Zoom link each time



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