Shiny optimization of climate benefits from a statewide agricultural grant program



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\$1.8 million in FY23

\$1.5 million in FY24

Photo: San Juan Island Conservation District



Benefits from climate-smart practices vary widely.



Photo: Molly McIlquham

We needed a decision-support tool to identify projects with the greatest climate benefits.



Models and tools for on-farm carbon and GHG accounting already exist.







Whole Farm and Ranch Carbon and Greenhouse Gas Accounting System.

Too hard to use!



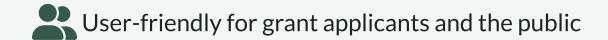




Too limited!



Our wishlist



- Interactively compare conservation practices
- Convert CO₂eq estimates into familiar terms
- Downloadable spreadsheets and reports



Washington Climate Smart Estimator

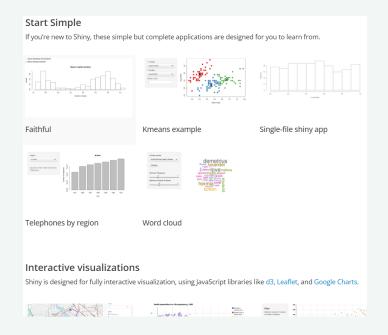




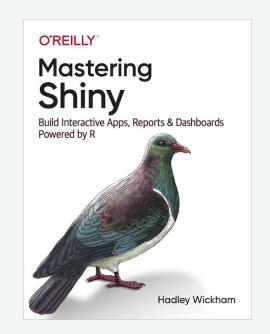
WaCSE 3-minute demo, no audio



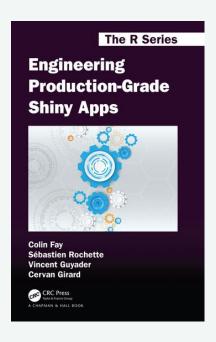
Start with examples and big picture workflows.



Posit Shiny Gallery



Mastering Shiny



Engineering Production-Grade Shiny Apps

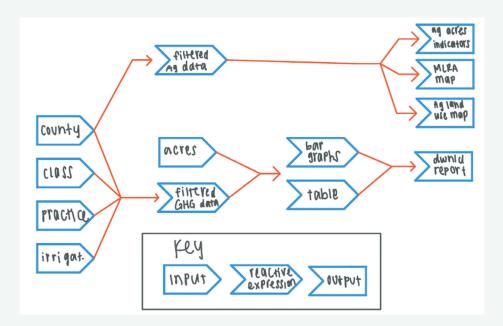


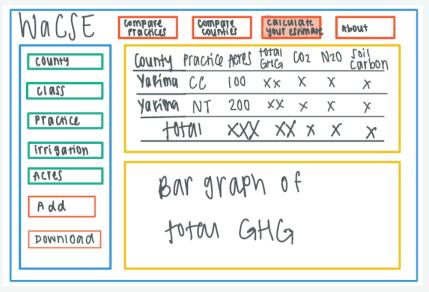
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Before coding, sketch data flows and app design.

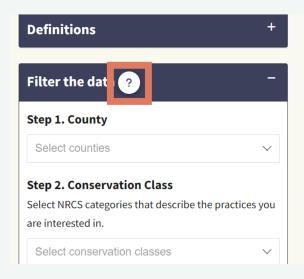


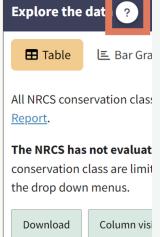




Construct Code 🎇 💻

Prototype then refactor with custom functions.





```
1 fct_helpBtn <- function(id) {
2   shinyWidgets::actionBttn(
3     inputId = id,
4     label = NULL,
5     icon = icon("question"),
6     style = "material-circle",
7     size = "xs",
8   )
9 }</pre>
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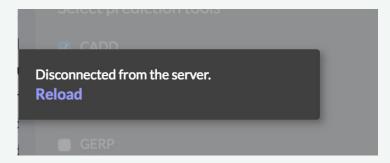


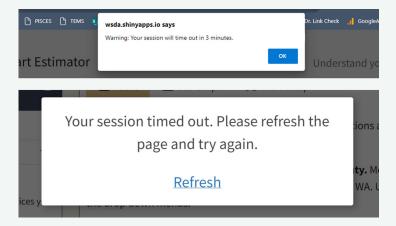
Elevate Experience 🦃 🧣



Incorporate HTML, CSS, JavaScript to improve user experience.

```
shinyjs::runjs(
    "function onTimeout() {
        alert('Warning: Your session will time out in 3 minutes.');
      } ...")
shinydisconnect::disconnectMessage(
  text = "Your session timed out. Please refresh the page and try again.",
  refresh = "Refresh")
```







Try using R to solve a problem, even if you don't have a CS background!

There are many amazing R resources, and the community is incredibly supportive!







I'd love to connect with you!

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