

# Working version of Random Forests For Paper

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This document represents the various modeling efforts we have tried for the HKM2014 paper. First step in this analysis is to set up the groups of variables. Four groups, plus the Trophic State response variable were initially indentified.

First, are the water quality variables from NLA.

```
## [1] "WSA_EC09" "BASINAREA" "DEPTHMAX" "ELEV_PT" "DO2_2M"
## [6] "PH_FIELD" "COND" "ANC" "TURB" "TOC"
## [11] "DOC" "NH4" "NO3_NO2" "NTL" "PTL"
## [16] "CL" "NO3" "SO4" "CA" "MG"
## [21] "Na" "K" "COLOR" "SI02" "H"
## [26] "OH" "NH4ION" "CATSUM" "ANSUM2" "ANDEF2"
## [31] "SOBC" "BALANCE2" "ORGION" "CONCAL2" "CONDH02"
## [36] "SECMEAN" "TminW" "TmaxW" "TmeanW"
```

Second, are the GIS based variables

```
## [1] "MaxDist" "AlbersX" "AlbersY"
## [4] "LakeArea" "LakePerim" "ShoreDevel"
## [7] "DDs40" "DDs45" "DDs50"
## [10] "DDs55" "MaxLength" "MaxWidth"
## [13] "MeanWidth" "FetchN" "FetchNE"
## [16] "FetchE" "FetchSE" "MaxDepthCorrect"
## [19] "VolumeCorrect" "MeanDepthCorrect"
```

Third, are the landscape variables based on total area

```
## [1] "ImpervAreaKm2_MaxDist" "WaterKm2_MaxDist"
## [3] "IceSnowKm2_MaxDist" "DevOpenKm2_MaxDist"
## [5] "DevLowKm2_MaxDist" "DevMedKm2_MaxDist"
## [7] "DevHighKm2_MaxDist" "BarrenKm2_MaxDist"
## [9] "DeciduousKm2_MaxDist" "EvergreenKm2_MaxDist"
## [11] "MixedForKm2_MaxDist" "ShrubKm2_MaxDist"
## [13] "GrassKm2_MaxDist" "PastureKm2_MaxDist"
## [15] "CropsKm2_MaxDist" "WoodyWetKm2_MaxDist"
## [17] "HerbWetKm2_MaxDist" "ImpervAreaKm2_300m"
## [19] "WaterKm2_300m" "IceSnowKm2_300m"
## [21] "DevOpenKm2_300m" "DevLowKm2_300m"
## [23] "DevMedKm2_300m" "DevHighKm2_300m"
## [25] "BarrenKm2_300m" "DeciduousKm2_300m"
## [27] "EvergreenKm2_300m" "MixedForKm2_300m"
## [29] "ShrubKm2_300m" "GrassKm2_300m"
## [31] "PastureKm2_300m" "CropsKm2_300m"
## [33] "WoodyWetKm2_300m" "HerbWetKm2_300m"
## [35] "ImpervAreaKm2_1500m" "WaterKm2_1500m"
## [37] "IceSnowKm2_1500m" "DevOpenKm2_1500m"
## [39] "DevLowKm2_1500m" "DevMedKm2_1500m"
## [41] "DevHighKm2_1500m" "BarrenKm2_1500m"
```

```
## [43] "DeciduousKm2_1500m"      "EvergreenKm2_1500m"
## [45] "MixedForKm2_1500m"       "ShrubKm2_1500m"
## [47] "GrassKm2_1500m"         "PastureKm2_1500m"
## [49] "CropsKm2_1500m"         "WoodyWetKm2_1500m"
## [51] "HerbWetKm2_1500m"       "ImpervAreaKm2_3000m"
## [53] "WaterKm2_3000m"         "IceSnowKm2_3000m"
## [55] "DevOpenKm2_3000m"       "DevLowKm2_3000m"
## [57] "DevMedKm2_3000m"        "DevHighKm2_3000m"
## [59] "BarrenKm2_3000m"        "DeciduousKm2_3000m"
## [61] "EvergreenKm2_3000m"     "MixedForKm2_3000m"
## [63] "ShrubKm2_3000m"         "GrassKm2_3000m"
## [65] "PastureKm2_3000m"       "CropsKm2_3000m"
## [67] "WoodyWetKm2_3000m"      "HerbWetKm2_3000m"
```

Fourth, the percent landscape variables (also including percent impervious)

```
## [1] "PercentImperv_MaxDist" "PercentImperv_300m"
## [3] "PercentImperv_1500m"  "PercentImperv_3000m"
## [5] "WaterPer_MaxDist"     "IceSnowPer_MaxDist"
## [7] "DevOpenPer_MaxDist"   "DevLowPer_MaxDist"
## [9] "DevMedPer_MaxDist"    "DevHighPer_MaxDist"
## [11] "BarrenPer_MaxDist"    "DeciduousPer_MaxDist"
## [13] "EvergreenPer_MaxDist" "MixedForPer_MaxDist"
## [15] "ShrubPer_MaxDist"     "GrassPer_MaxDist"
## [17] "PasturePer_MaxDist"   "CropsPer_MaxDist"
## [19] "WoodyWetPer_MaxDist"  "HerbWetPer_MaxDist"
## [21] "WaterPer_300m"        "IceSnowPer_300m"
## [23] "DevOpenPer_300m"      "DevLowPer_300m"
## [25] "DevMedPer_300m"       "DevHighPer_300m"
## [27] "BarrenPer_300m"       "DeciduousPer_300m"
## [29] "EvergreenPer_300m"    "MixedForPer_300m"
## [31] "ShrubPer_300m"        "GrassPer_300m"
## [33] "PasturePer_300m"      "CropsPer_300m"
## [35] "WoodyWetPer_300m"     "HerbWetPer_300m"
## [37] "WaterPer_1500m"       "IceSnowPer_1500m"
## [39] "DevOpenPer_1500m"     "DevLowPer_1500m"
## [41] "DevMedPer_1500m"      "DevHighPer_1500m"
## [43] "BarrenPer_1500m"      "DeciduousPer_1500m"
## [45] "EvergreenPer_1500m"   "MixedForPer_1500m"
## [47] "ShrubPer_1500m"       "GrassPer_1500m"
## [49] "PasturePer_1500m"     "CropsPer_1500m"
## [51] "WoodyWetPer_1500m"    "HerbWetPer_1500m"
## [53] "WaterPer_3000m"       "IceSnowPer_3000m"
## [55] "DevOpenPer_3000m"     "DevLowPer_3000m"
## [57] "DevMedPer_3000m"      "DevHighPer_3000m"
## [59] "BarrenPer_3000m"      "DeciduousPer_3000m"
## [61] "EvergreenPer_3000m"   "MixedForPer_3000m"
## [63] "ShrubPer_3000m"       "GrassPer_3000m"
## [65] "PasturePer_3000m"     "CropsPer_3000m"
## [67] "WoodyWetPer_3000m"    "HerbWetPer_3000m"
```

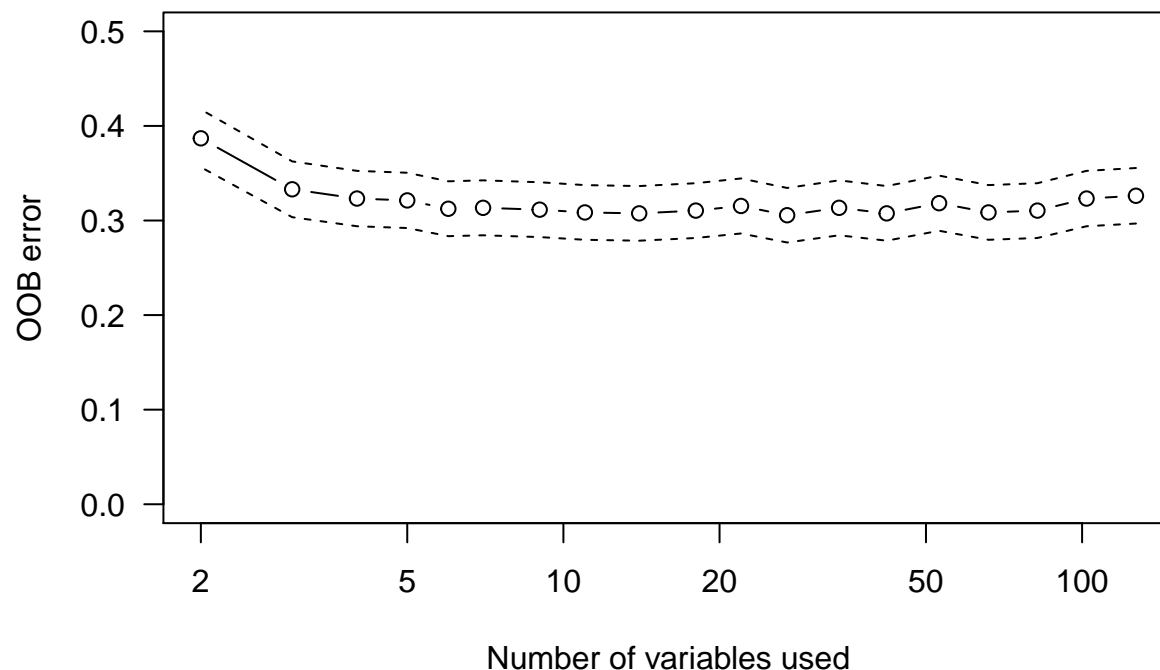
Lastly, the response variable

```
## [1] "TS_CHLA"
```

## Chl *a* Trophic Status ~ All Variables + Landscape Total Area

This first random forest predicts Cholorophyl Trophic status using all NLA variables, all GIS variables except for the landscape variables summarized by total area.

```
## Number.Variables
## Min.      : 2.0
## 1st Qu.: 6.5
## Median : 18.0
## Mean    : 33.4
## 3rd Qu.: 47.5
## Max.    :127.0
##
##                               Vars.in.Forest
## SECMEAN + TURB                : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL          : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL    : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL + TOC : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL + TOC + WSA_EC09 : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL + TOC + WSA_EC09 + DEPTHMAX: 1
## (Other)                        :13
##      OOB          sd.OOB
## Min.    :0.306   Min.    :0.0144
## 1st Qu.:0.309   1st Qu.:0.0145
## Median :0.313   Median :0.0145
## Mean    :0.319   Mean    :0.0146
## 3rd Qu.:0.322   3rd Qu.:0.0146
## Max.    :0.387   Max.    :0.0152
##
```

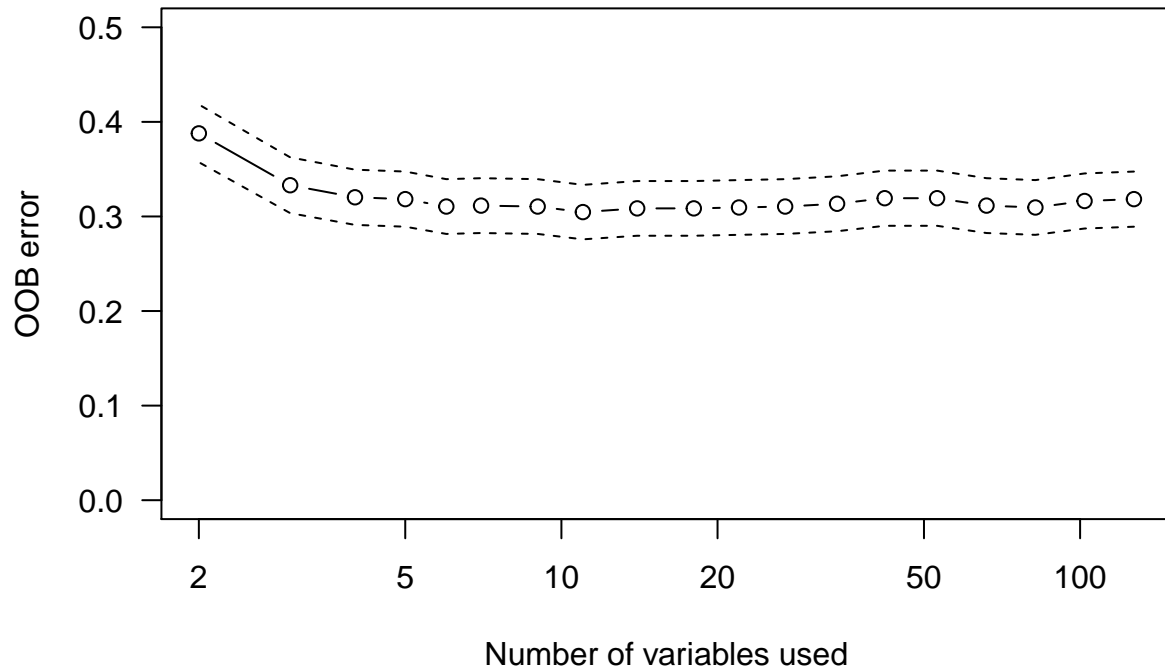


### Chl *a* Trophic Status ~ All Variables + Landscape Percent

Our second model uses all NLA and GIS variables, and landscape var summarized by total percent.

```
## Number.Variables
## Min.      : 2.0
## 1st Qu.: 6.5
## Median : 18.0
## Mean      : 33.4
## 3rd Qu.: 47.5
## Max.      :127.0
##
##                                     Vars.in.Forest
## SECMEAN + TURB                      : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL                 : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL           : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL + TOC     : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL + TOC + WSA_ECO9 : 1
## SECMEAN + TURB + PTL + NTL + TOC + WSA_ECO9 + DEPTHMAX: 1
## (Other)                             :13
##      OOB      sd.OOB
## Min.    :0.305  Min.    :0.0144
## 1st Qu.:0.310  1st Qu.:0.0145
## Median :0.311  Median :0.0145
## Mean    :0.318  Mean    :0.0146
```

```
## 3rd Qu.:0.319 3rd Qu.:0.0146
## Max. :0.388 Max. :0.0152
##
```

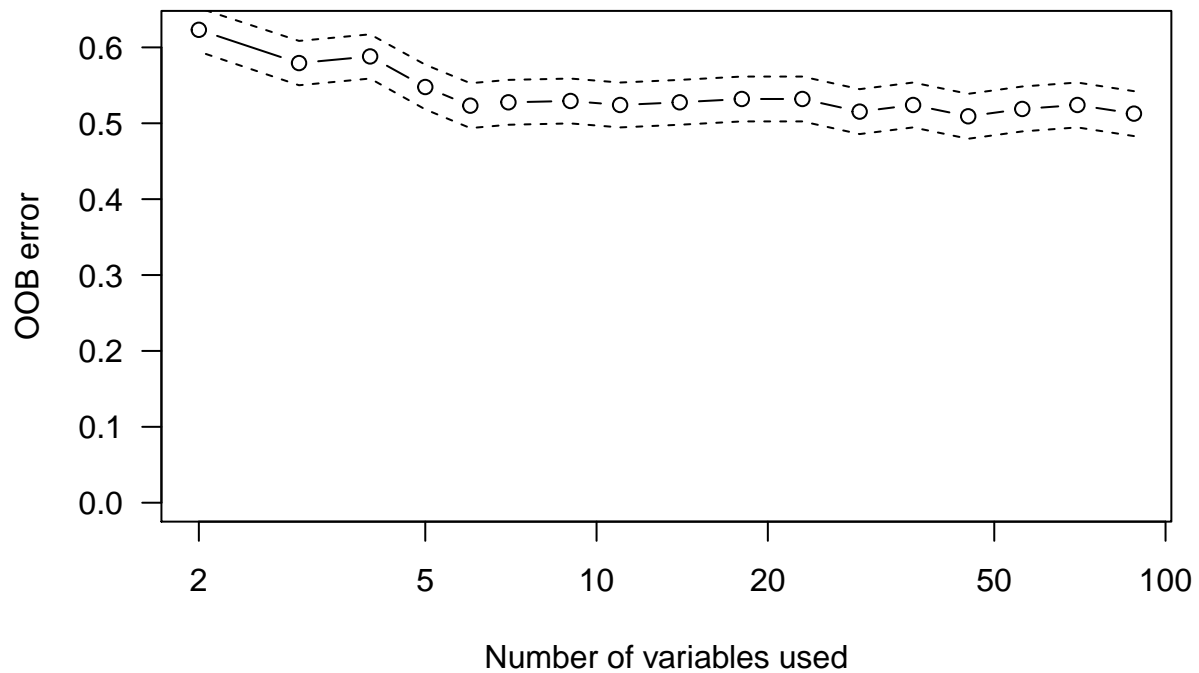


### Chl *a* Trophic Status ~ GIS Only Variables + Landscape Total Area

This third model uses only GIS derived variables with landscape summarized by total area

```
## Number.Variables
## Min. : 2.0
## 1st Qu.: 6.0
## Median :14.0
## Mean :25.1
## 3rd Qu.:36.0
## Max. :88.0
##
##
## EvergreenKm2_3000m + CropsKm2_3000m
## EvergreenKm2_3000m + CropsKm2_3000m + AlbersX
## EvergreenKm2_3000m + CropsKm2_3000m + AlbersX + CropsKm2_1500m
## EvergreenKm2_3000m + CropsKm2_3000m + AlbersX + CropsKm2_1500m + MeanDepthCorrect
## EvergreenKm2_3000m + CropsKm2_3000m + AlbersX + CropsKm2_1500m + MeanDepthCorrect + AlbersY
## EvergreenKm2_3000m + CropsKm2_3000m + AlbersX + CropsKm2_1500m + MeanDepthCorrect + AlbersY + EvergreenKm2_1500m
## (Other)
## OOB sd.OOB
```

```
## Min.      :0.509    Min.      :0.0143
## 1st Qu.:0.523    1st Qu.:0.0148
## Median :0.528    Median :0.0148
## Mean      :0.538    Mean      :0.0147
## 3rd Qu.:0.532    3rd Qu.:0.0148
## Max.      :0.623    Max.      :0.0148
##
```



### Chl *a* Trophic Status ~ GIS Only Variables +Landscape Percent

This third model uses only GIS derived variables with landscape summarized by total area

```
## Number.Variables
## Min.      : 2.0
## 1st Qu.: 6.0
## Median :14.0
## Mean      :25.1
## 3rd Qu.:36.0
## Max.      :88.0
##
##
## EvergreenPer_3000m + CropsPer_3000m
## EvergreenPer_3000m + CropsPer_3000m + AlbersX
## EvergreenPer_3000m + CropsPer_3000m + AlbersX + CropsPer_1500m
## EvergreenPer_3000m + CropsPer_3000m + AlbersX + CropsPer_1500m + EvergreenPer_MaxDist
```

```
## EvergreenPer_3000m + CropsPer_3000m + AlbersX + CropsPer_1500m + EvergreenPer_MaxDist + EvergreenPer
## EvergreenPer_3000m + CropsPer_3000m + AlbersX + CropsPer_1500m + EvergreenPer_MaxDist + EvergreenPer
## (Other)
##      OOB      sd.OOB
## Min.   :0.496   Min.   :0.0143
## 1st Qu.:0.512   1st Qu.:0.0146
## Median :0.521   Median :0.0148
## Mean   :0.539   Mean   :0.0147
## 3rd Qu.:0.582   3rd Qu.:0.0148
## Max.   :0.631   Max.   :0.0148
##
```

