

# 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 plus a few other derived variables (i.e. bioVolumes, TS, etc).

```
## [1] "NLA_ID"      "Comid"      "bvCat"      "DATE_COL"   "WSA_EC09"
## [6] "BASINAREA"  "DEPTHMAX"   "ELEV_PT"    "CHLA"       "DO2_2M"
## [11] "PH_FIELD"   "COND"       "ANC"        "TURB"       "TOC"
## [16] "DOC"        "NH4"        "NO3_NO2"    "NTL"        "PTL"
## [21] "CL"         "NO3"        "SO4"        "CA"         "MG"
## [26] "Na"         "K"          "COLOR"      "SIO2"       "H"
## [31] "OH"         "NH4ION"     "CATSUM"     "ANSUM2"     "ANDEF2"
## [36] "SOBC"       "BALANCE2"   "ORGION"     "CONCAL2"    "CONDH02"
## [41] "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"
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## [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"
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## [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"
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## [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"
```

### **All Variables - Landscape Total Area**

This first random forest predicts Chlorophyll Trophic status using all NLA variables, all GIS variables except for the landscape variables w

### **All Variables - Landscape Percent**

### **GIS Only Variables - Landscape Total Area**

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