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Demonstration Using ERDAS Imagine



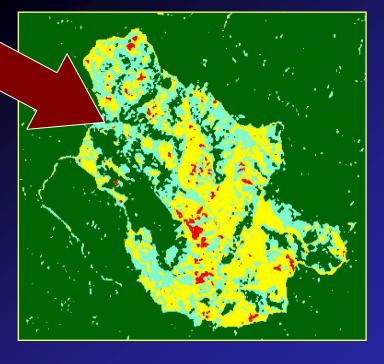


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Rodeo – Chediski Fire 2002 Landsat 7 ETM + Imagery

French Fire 2004 BARC Dataset



Overview: Pre-processing

Step 1: Pre-processing

Atmospheric Correction

Import (pre and postfire)





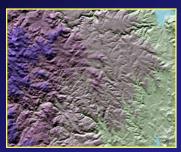


Subset





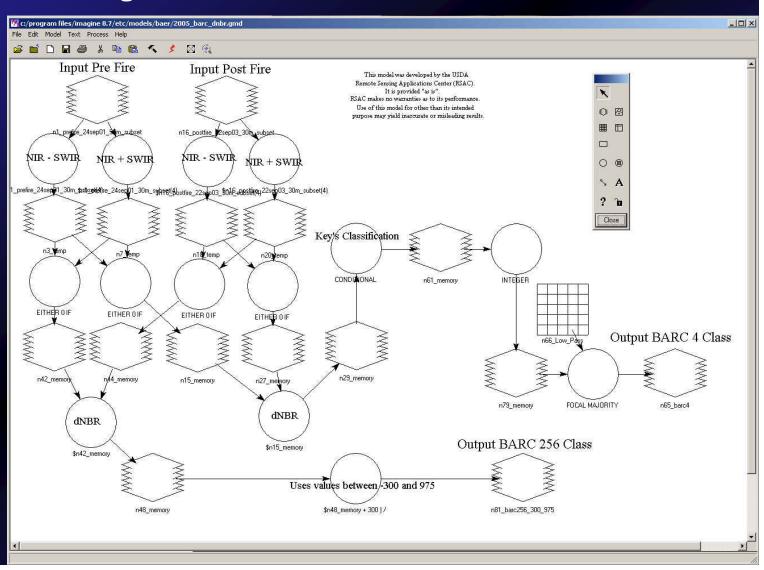
Terrain Correction





Overview: Modeling

Step 2: Modeling



Overview: Post-processing and Delivery

Step 3: Post-processing and Delivery

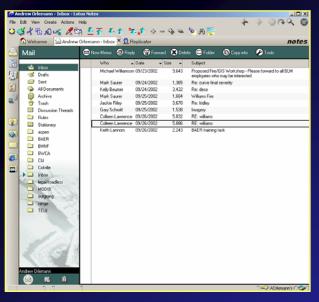
Reprojection





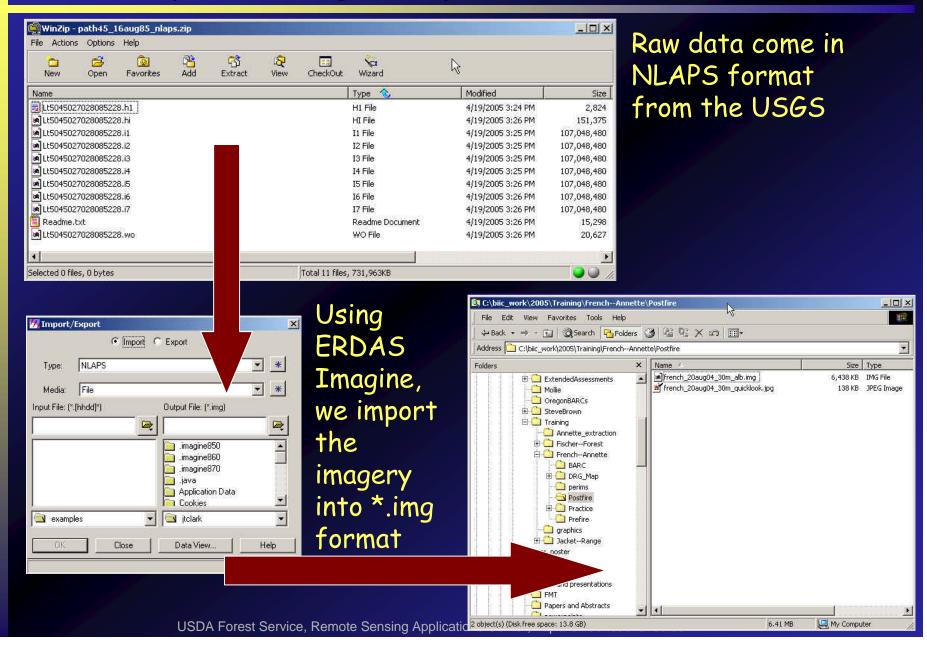




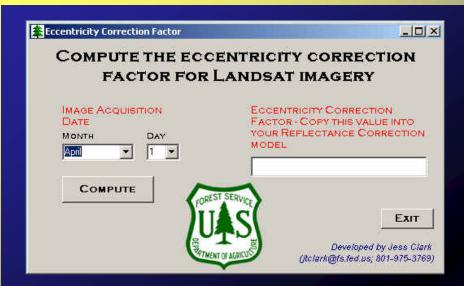




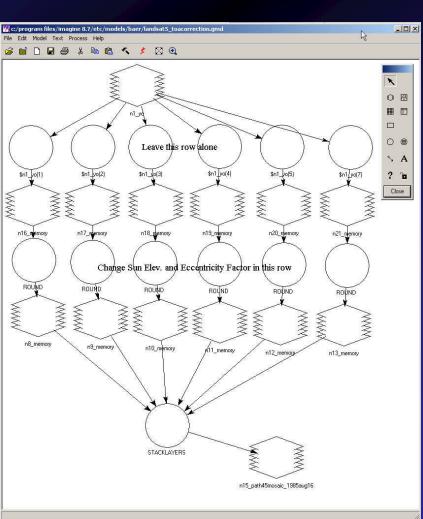
1: Pre-processing - Import



1: Pre-processing - Atmospheric Correction

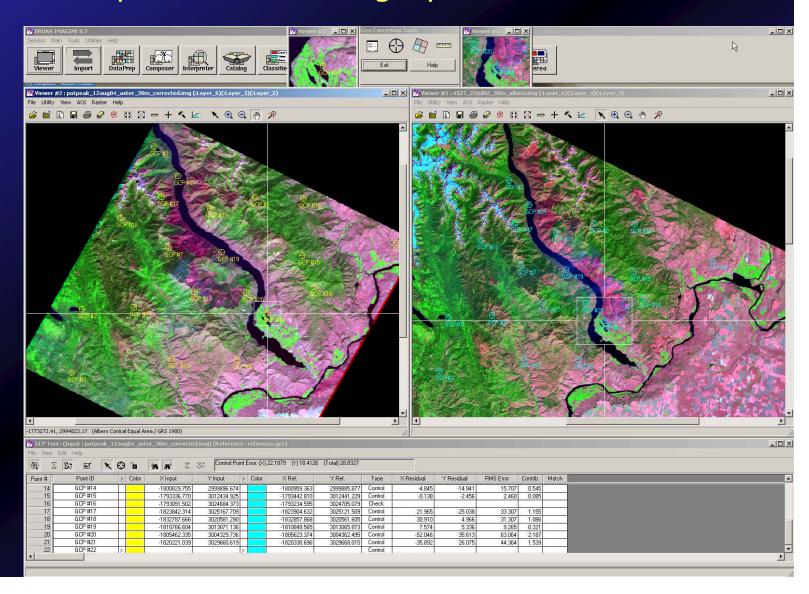


Accounting for sun angle and other atmospheric variables, we perform a top-of-atmospheric reflectance correction on Landsat imagery.



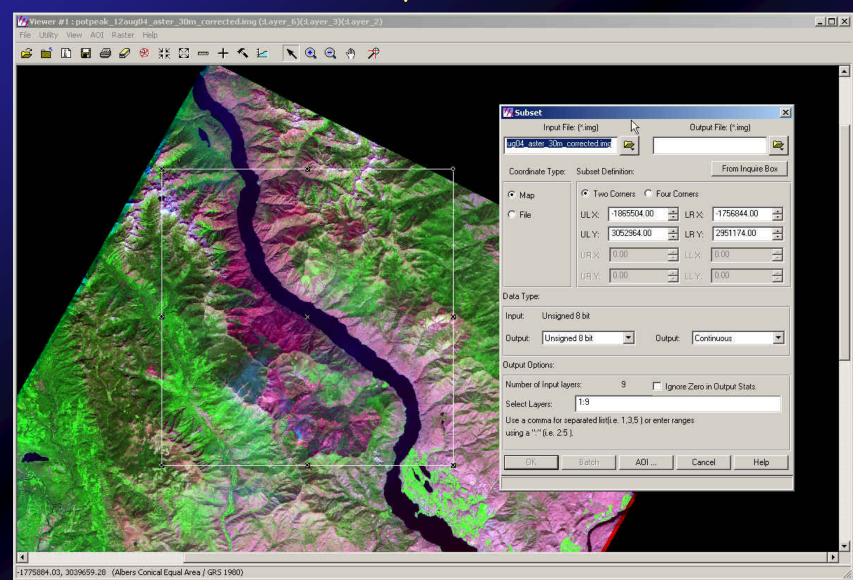
1: Pre-processing - Terrain Correct

Not necessary for Landsat imagery...



1: Pre-processing - Subset

We create the BARC on a square subset



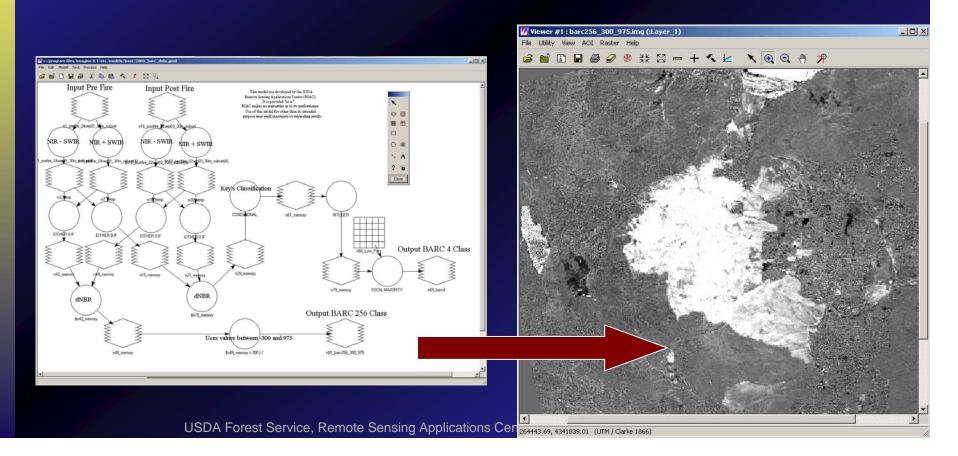
2: Modeling

Normalized Burn Ratio (NBR)

NBR = (NIR - Mid IR) / (NIR + Mid IR)

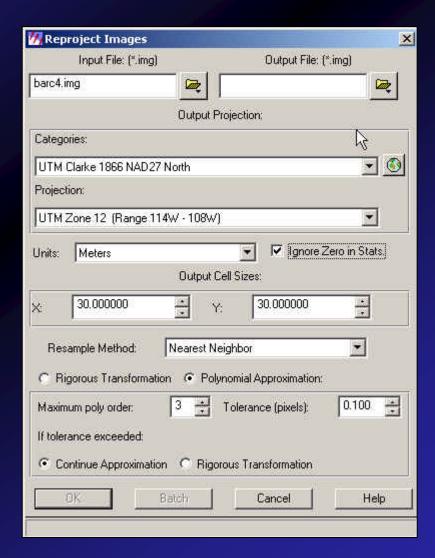
Differenced Normalized Burn Ratio (dNBR)

dNBR = Pre NBR - Post NBR



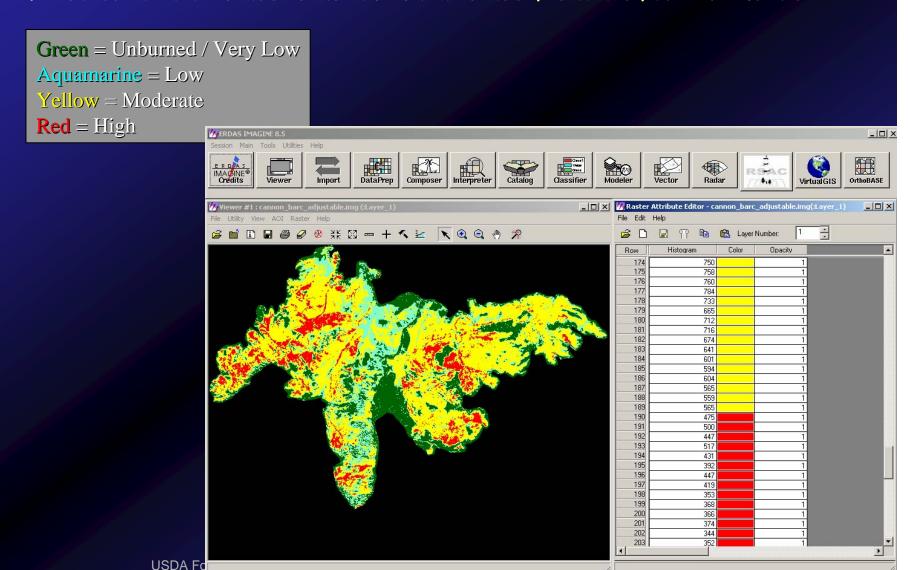
3: Post-processing - Reproject

We do all our processing in Albers Conical Equal Area projection. We then reproject the delivered products to the projection needed by the end user.



3: Post-processing - Coloring

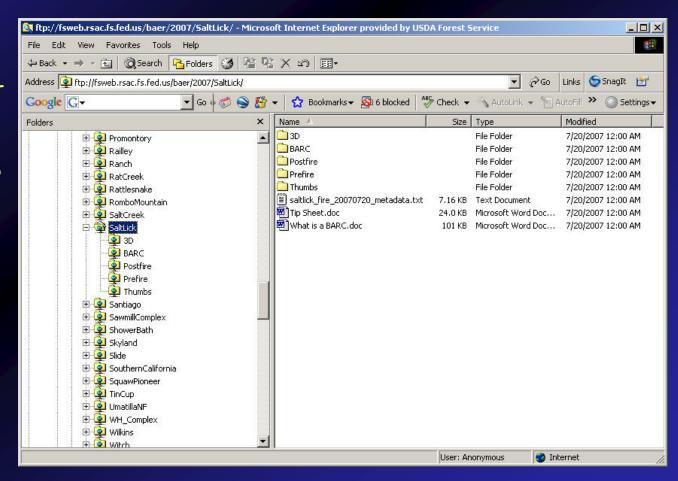
We color all the classes as an initial classification for end users



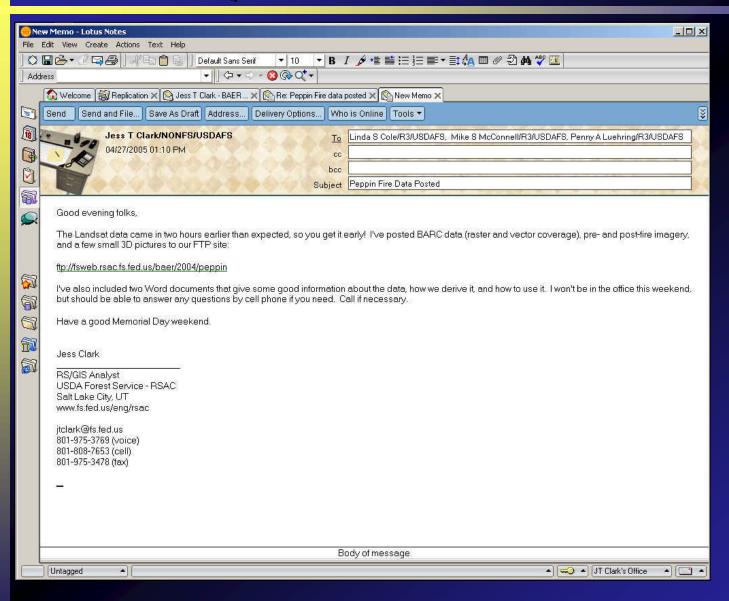
3: Delivery - FTP

Fires with Forest Service BAER teams are posted to the FSWEB FTP site. Interagency BAER teams can find their data on our public FTP server (ftp://ftp2.fs.fed.us/incoming/rsac/baer).

Included on the FTP site are preand postfire image subsets as well as the BARC datasets. Each dataset is in raster format.



3: Delivery - Email



Emails are sent out as soon as data is posted to FTP site.

Note the cell phone number. We are available on weekends and holidays via the cell phone.

The End