



Georeferencing of American Society of Mining and Reclamation Proceedings: A New Tool and Patterns in Reclamation Research

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ASMR PROPOSAL

“ Data related to... the earlier technical work associated with specific mine sites... is at risk of being lost or ignored by researchers and remediation practitioners.”



ASMR PROPOSAL

- Team up with a senior ASMR member who will provide guidance
- Cross reference each ASMR paper with a geographic location
- Create a placemark in Google Earth™ for each site, include a reference to the paper
- Organize the database by state and technical division
- Forward the Google Earth placemark folders to the ASMR webmaster
- Present findings at ASMR conference



SFU CWRS PROPOSAL

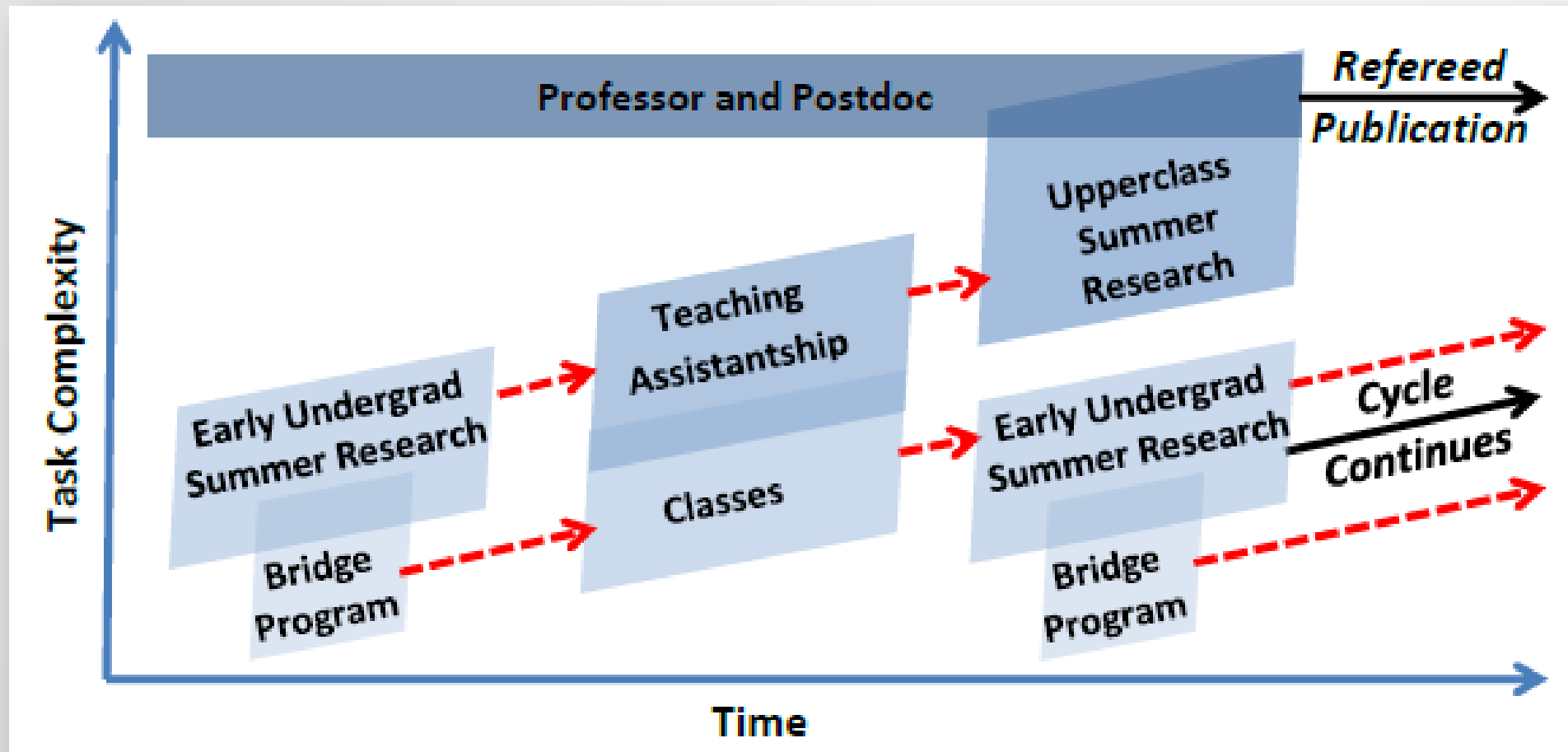


- In addition to ASMR's requests, the following products will also be developed:
 - An ASMR abstract with an undergraduate lead author for poster presentation at the 2017 meeting
 - An oral presentation at the 2017 meeting
 - A Reclamation Matters article with an undergraduate lead author describing:
 - Summary of findings
 - Research-Learning opportunity



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- SFU's Research-Learning model





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METHODS-SFU



• Assign each team member a series of articles (1998-2007)

• Locate article

• Determine technical division

• Find coordinates on Google Earth™

• Fill out data on excel sheet

• Double check each site

• Send completed sheet to Pete and Zach at Saint Vincent College

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Data SIO, NOAA, U.S. Navy, NGA, GEBCO

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Kansas

Missouri

Oklahoma

Arkansas

Ouachita Mountains

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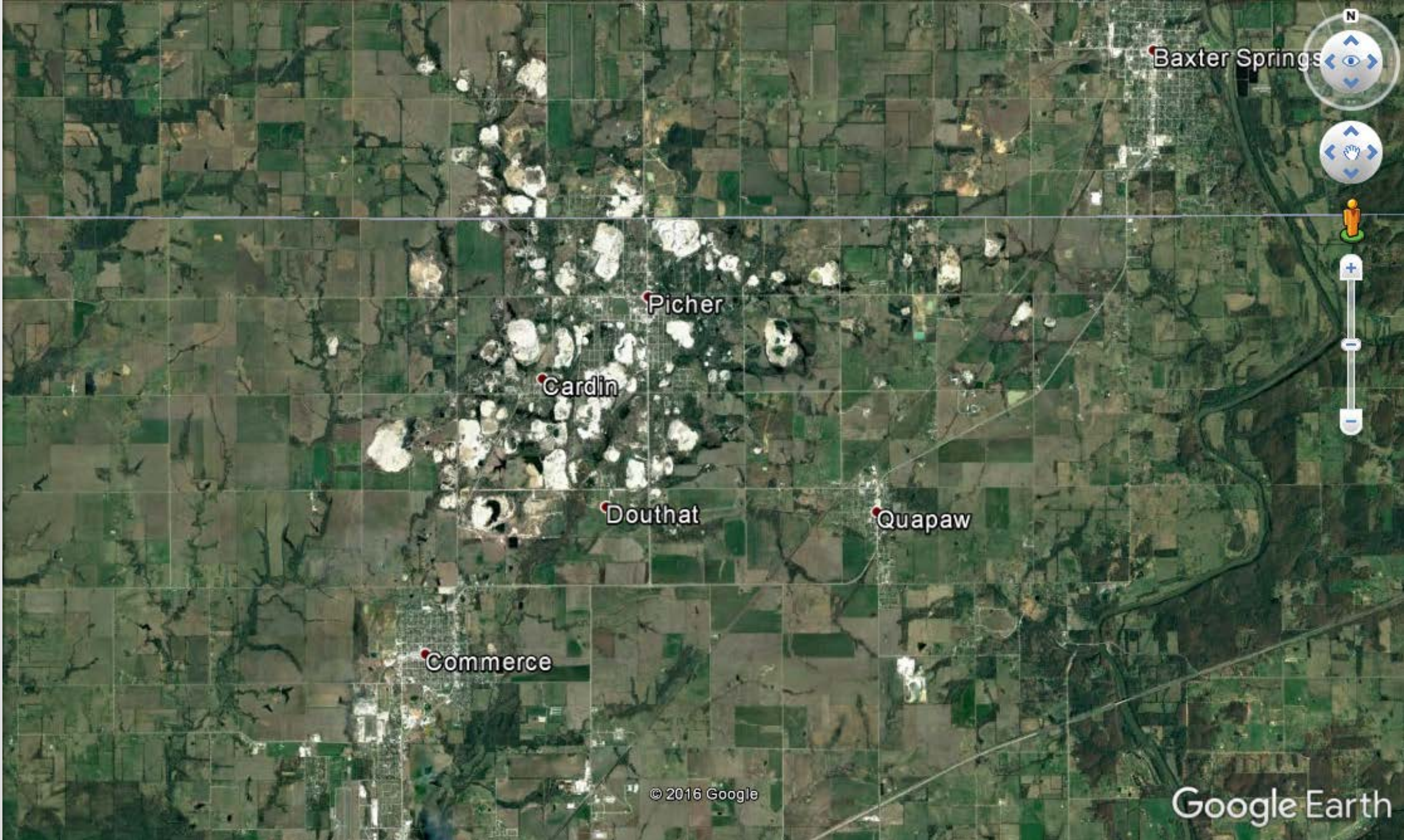
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Dallas

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Tour Guide





Baxter Springs

Picher

Cardin

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Quapaw

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Google Earth - New Placemark

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Description **Style, Color** View Altitude

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METHODS-SFU

- Necessary distinctions/ problems encountered
- Clarifications
 - Technical divisions: tailings (general); education
- Identifying all of the sites in a single paper
- Form of latitude/longitude coordinates
- Older papers were more challenging

Technical Divisions
Ecology
Forestry and Wildlife
Geotechnical Engineering
International Tailings Reclamation
Land Use Planning and Design
Soils and Overburden
Water Management



METHODS-SVC

- Zach Shoff and Peter Smyntek
- Utilized the Earthpoint website (<http://www.earthpoint.us/>)
- Converted Excel files to .kmz files with Google Earth placemarks
- Rapid, bulk conversions aided error detection & correction



METHODS-SVC

- Sorted with color-coded technical divisions
- 1200 abstracts
 - 700 “known” locations
 - 250 known state/country
 - 250 no location
- Unnamed sites were denoted by a circle; abstracts without location details were placed in the North Pacific (SE of Hawaii)
- Two databases- organized by location and technical division



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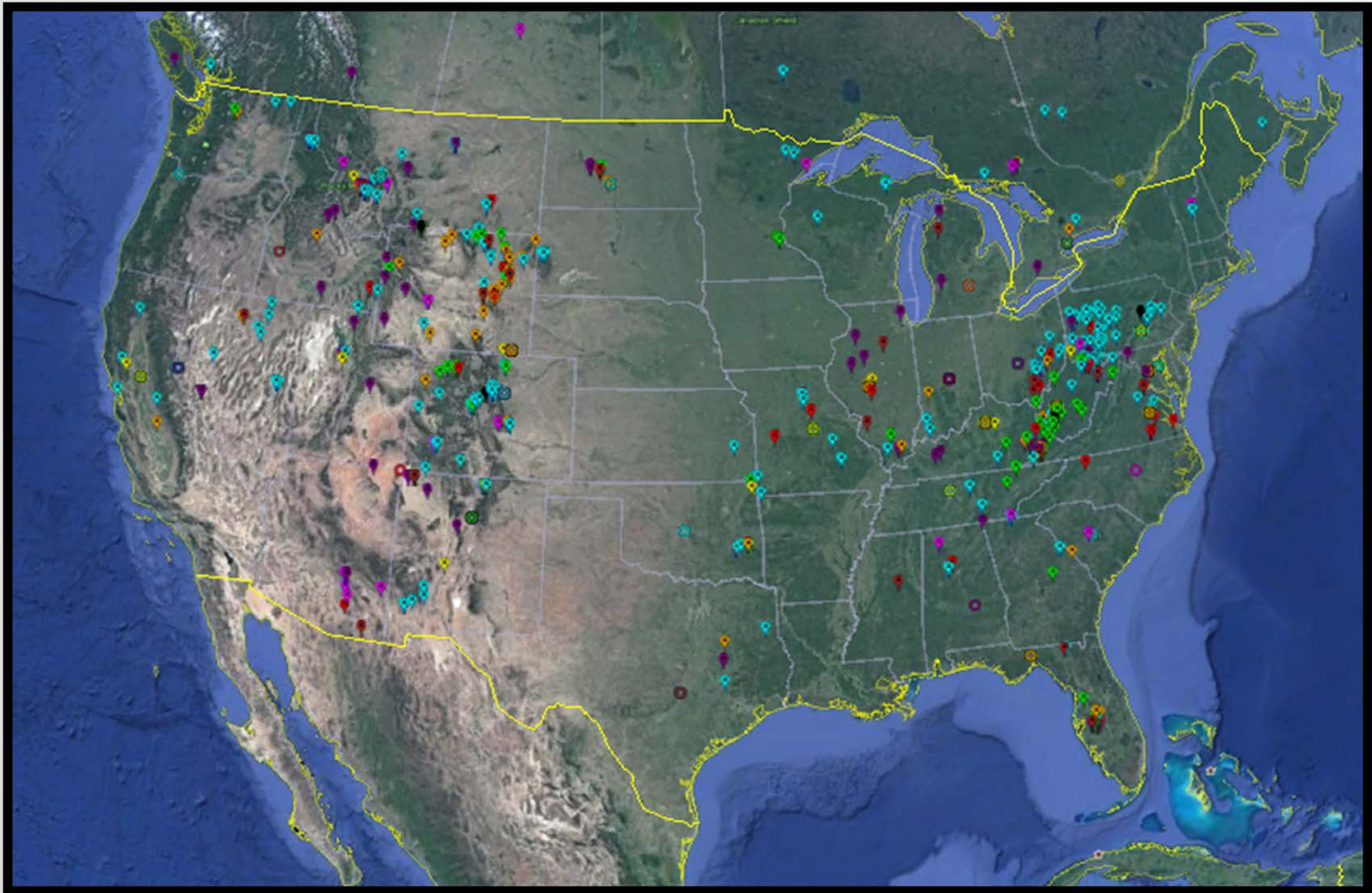
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Title: Ecological Engineering Alternatives for Remediation and Restoration of Drastically Disturbed Landscape
Authors: R. W. Nairn, L. Hare, M. Mercer, K. Dresback, K. Pepple, A. Kirchner, D. Cseak, J. Lossing, C. Durham & B. Chen
Year: 1999
Place Name: Tar Creek Superfund Site
Conference: ASSMR Scottsdale, AZ
Keywords: mine waste, ecosystem restoration, sustainability
Technical Division: Education
Volume/Session: II
Country: United States of America
State: OK
Page: 663
Additional Info:

Tar Creek Superfund Site

Beaver Creek

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Title: The Aznalcóllar Pit Lake – Water Quality and Options of Control
Authors: M. Schultze, K. Friese, J. Sánchez, E. López
Year: 2006
Place Name: Aznalcóllar pit lake
Conference: ASMR/ICARD 06 St. Louis MO
Keywords: acidification, heavy metals, remediation
Technical Division: Water Management & Mine Water Treatment
Volume/Session: IMWA Mine Water and Environment
Country: Spain
State:
Page: 1927
Additional Info:

Neves Corvo Mine
Odiel River basin
Aznalcóllar pit lake
Monte Romero Mine

Blenkinsopp Colliery
Kimbleworth Mine
River Allen catchment
Outukumpu Zinc-Tara Mine
Riccall Mine
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Sheephouse Wood Mine discharge

Taff Merthyr
n/a
n/a
n/a

Ronneburg
n/a
Lake Barwald
Lake Grünewalde

Bytom
Upper Silesian Coal Basin

Smolnik Mine

Velika Piresica Quarry

Oltenia Mining Region

Ptolemaida



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Title: Characterization of the Waste Rock and Pit Walls at the Jundee Gold Mine Site in Western Australia and Implications for Long-term Issues
Authors: S. Shaw, J. Martin, G. Meiers, M. O'Kane, C. Wels
Year: 2006
Place Name: Newmont Jundee Operations
Conference: ASMR/ICARD 06 St. Louis MO
Keywords: neutral drainage, metal leaching, salinity, hexaydrite, halite, siderite, basanite, gypsum, hematite
Technical Division: Tailings
Volume/Session: Case Studies: Lessons Learned II
Country: Australia
State: Western Australia
Page: 1961
Additional Info:

Roberts-Dawson Mine Roberts-Dawson Mine



Interstate 70



Westerville

Dublin

Newark

Zanesville

Reynoldsburg

The Wilds

Muskingum Mine

n/a n/a

Howard Williams Lake

Fehoboth Reclamation Project

Crooksville

Lancaster

Whitehouse Seep

Moxahala Creek Watershed: Perry County

Monday Creek Watershed

Monday Creek Watershed

Corning Mine

Monday Creek Watershed

Athens

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Chillicothe

Bethesda site

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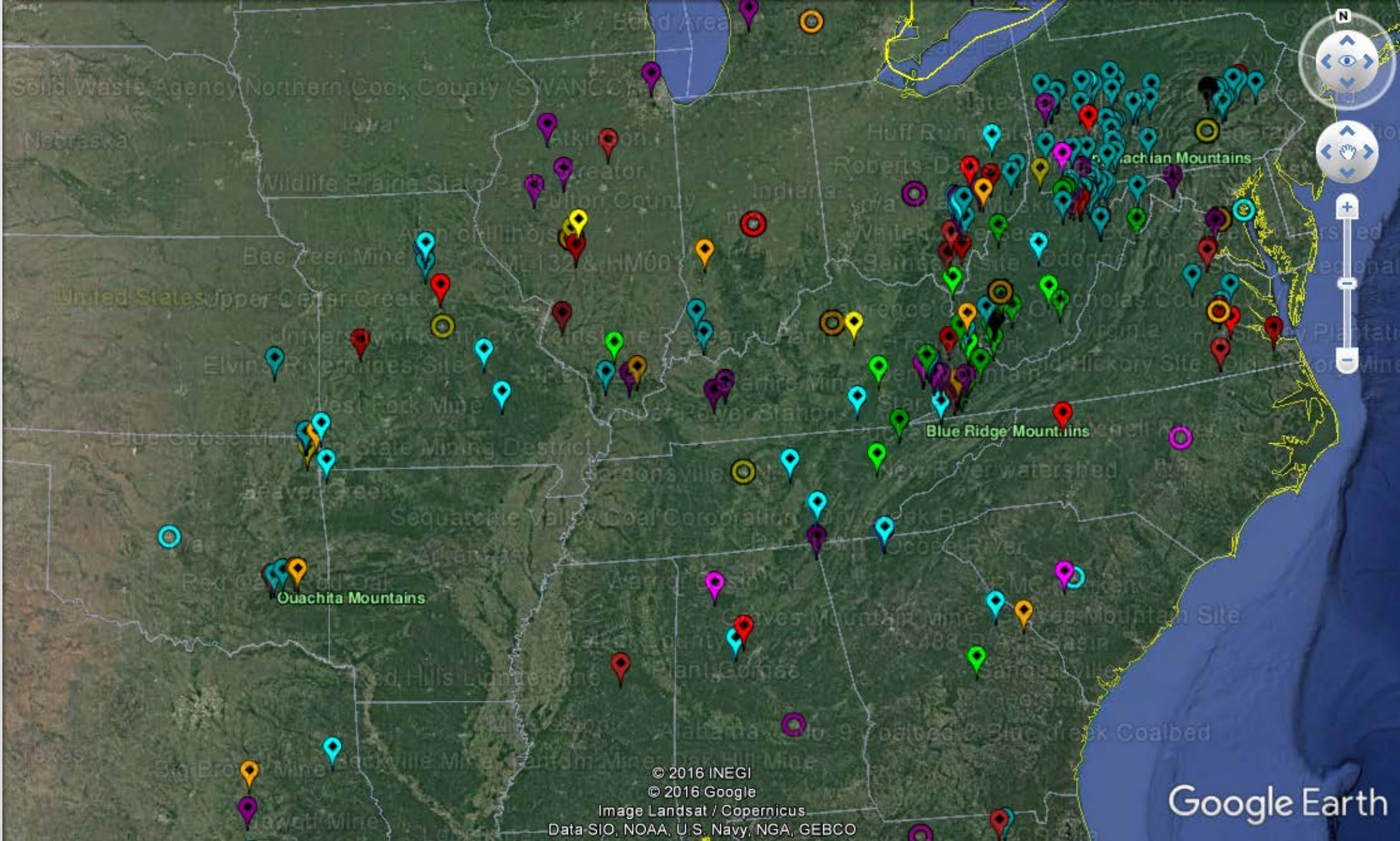
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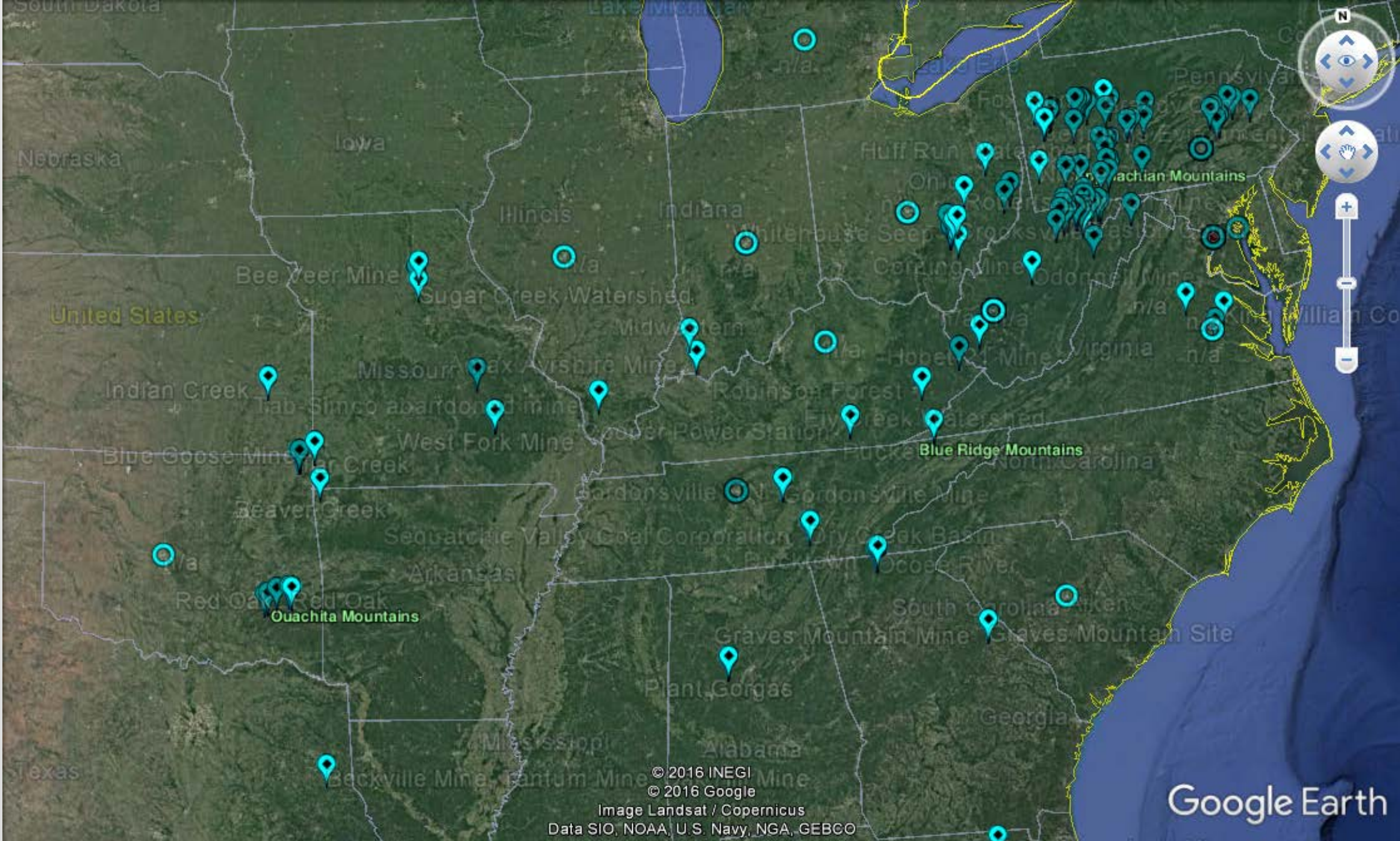
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United States

Ouachita Mountains

Blue Ridge Mountains

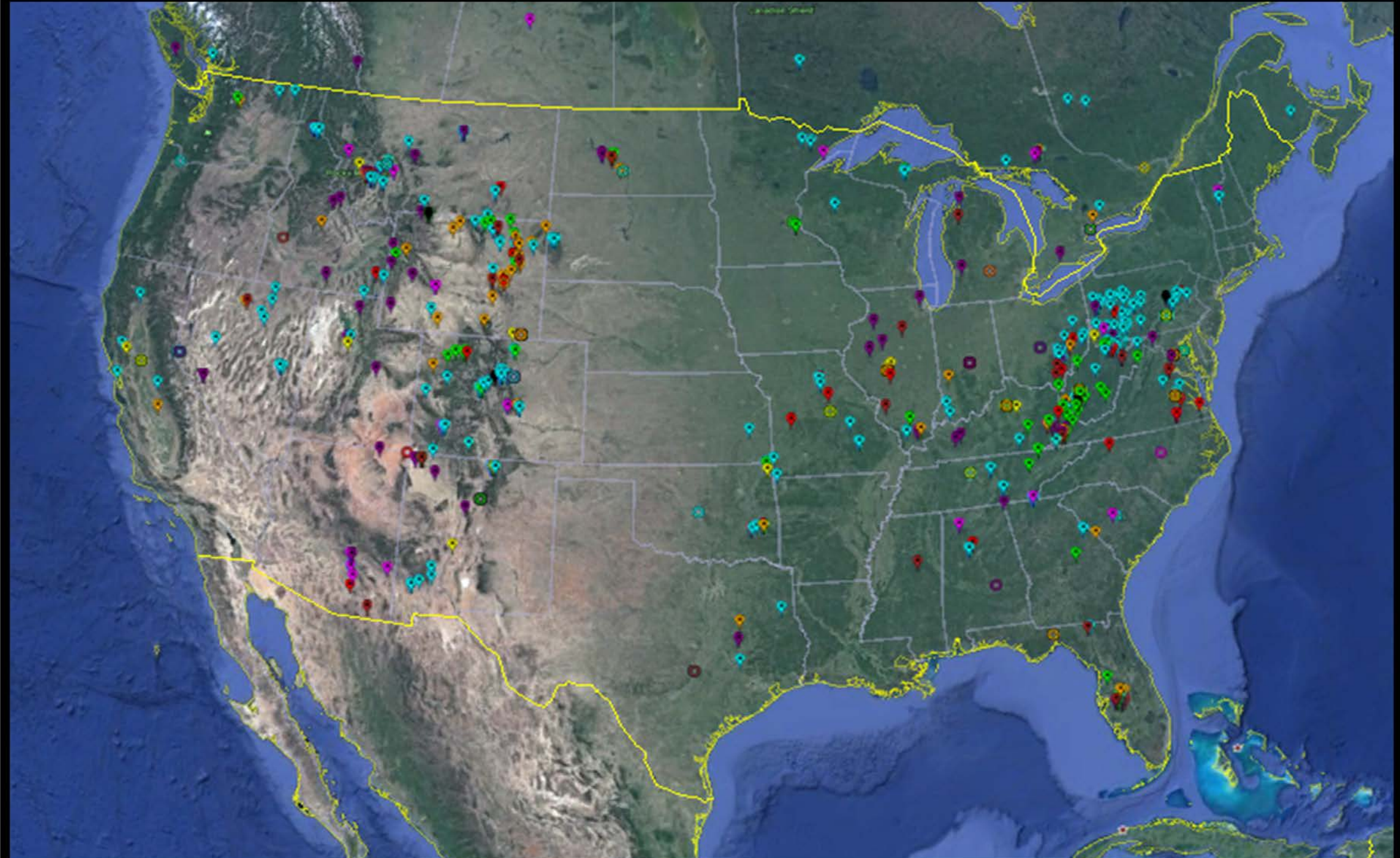
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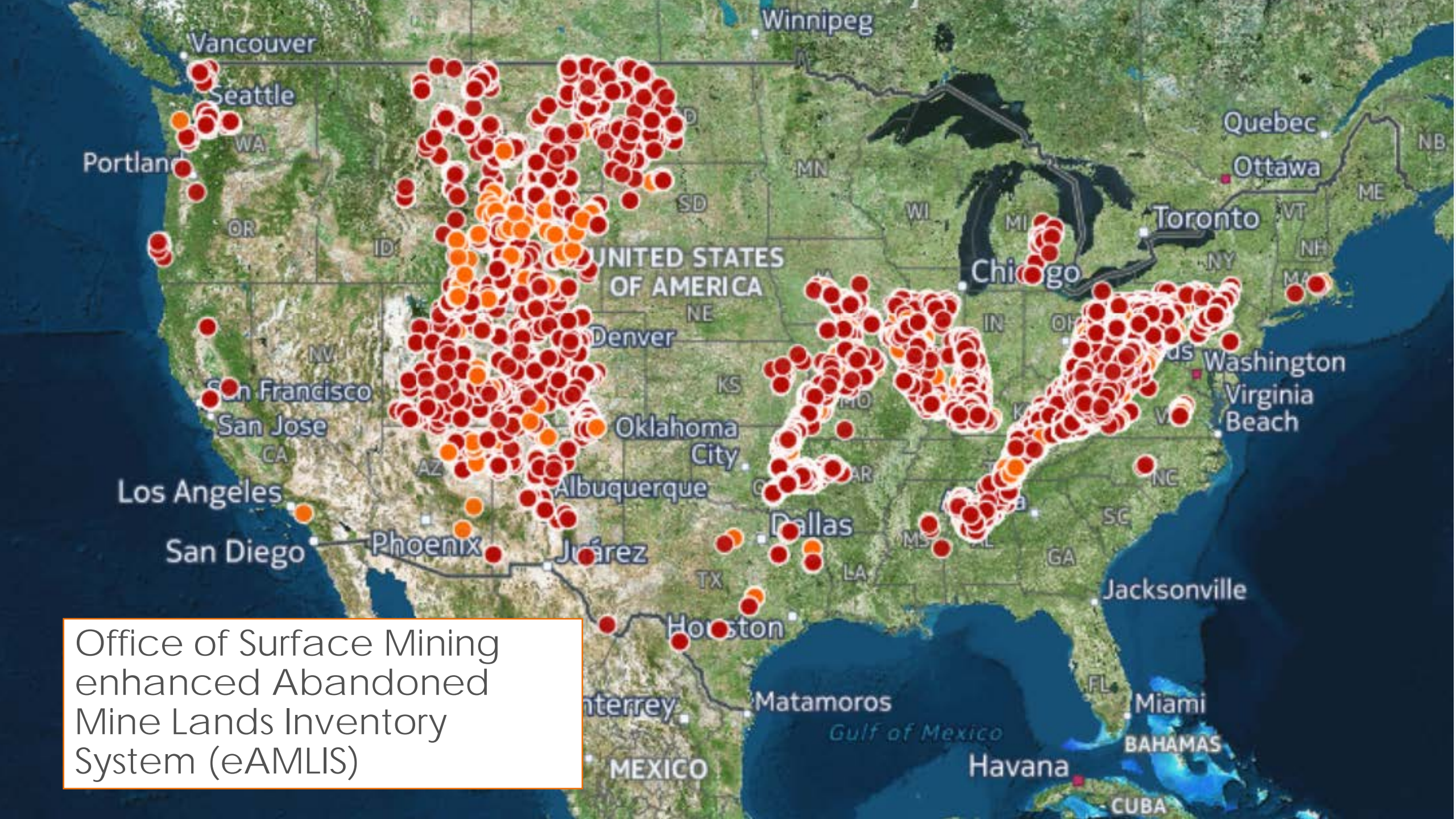
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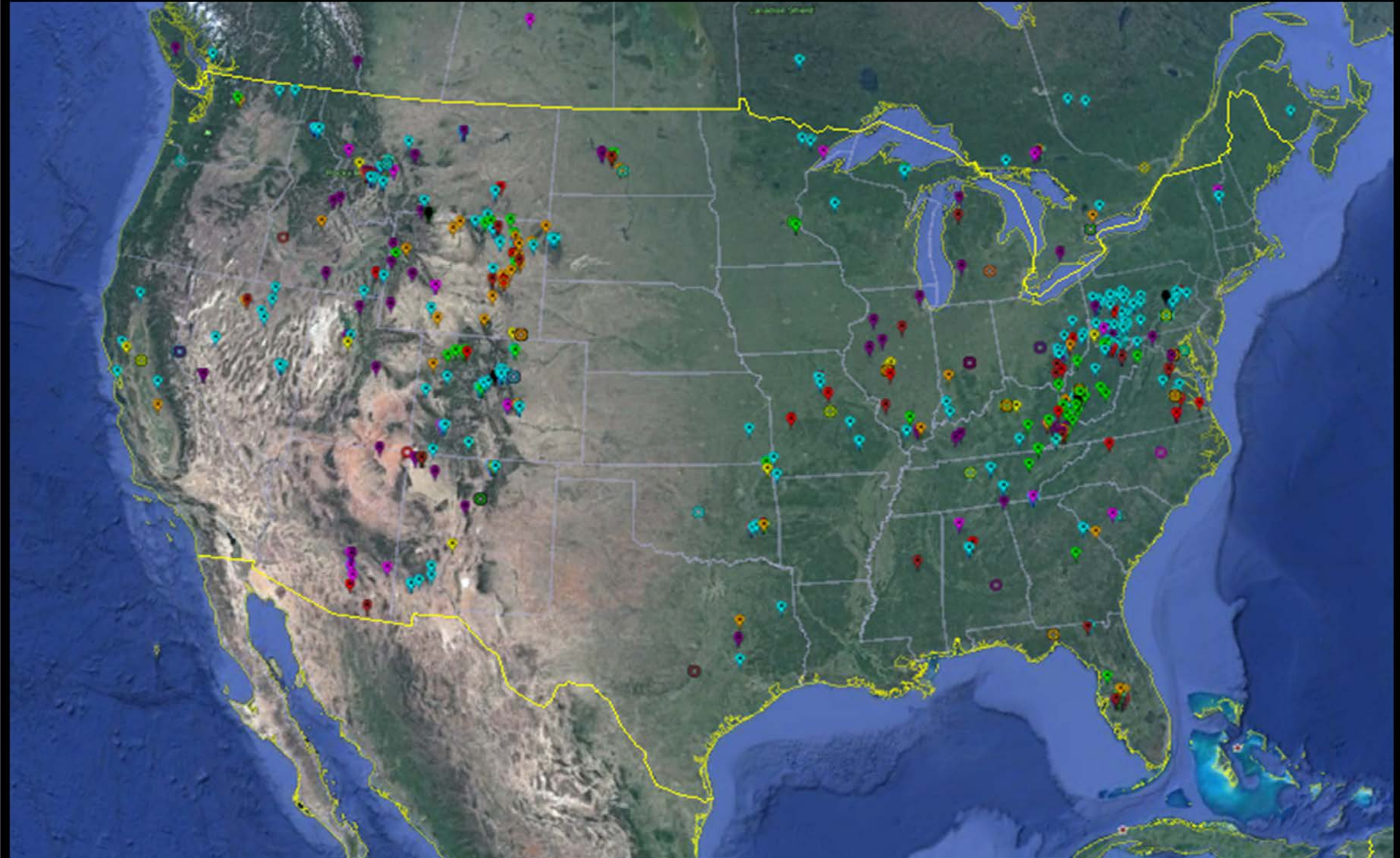
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Office of Surface Mining
enhanced Abandoned
Mine Lands Inventory
System (eAMLIS)



RESEARCH-LEARNING

- Opportunities to expand understanding of reclamation
- Fall 2017 integration in class



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