

Forest Health Monitoring Collection and Reporting Tools

Status and Future Directions

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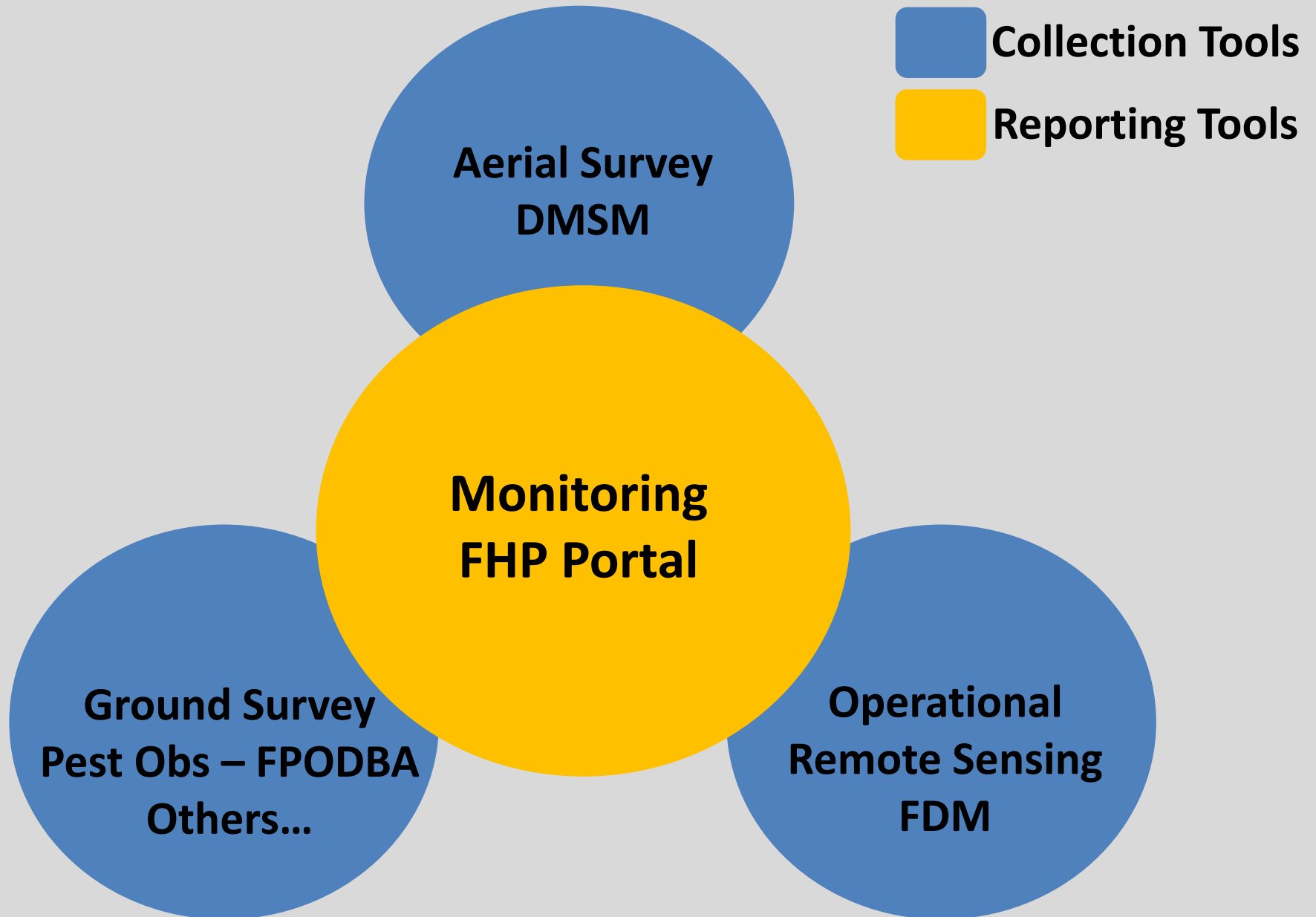


Agenda

- Latest Survey/Collection Tools
 - Aerial
 - Ground
 - Remote Sensing
- Latest Reporting Tools for Monitoring – Web Demo
 - Forest Health Advisory System (FHAS)



FHTET Supported Survey & Monitoring Tools



DMSM – Digital Mobile Sketch Mapping System

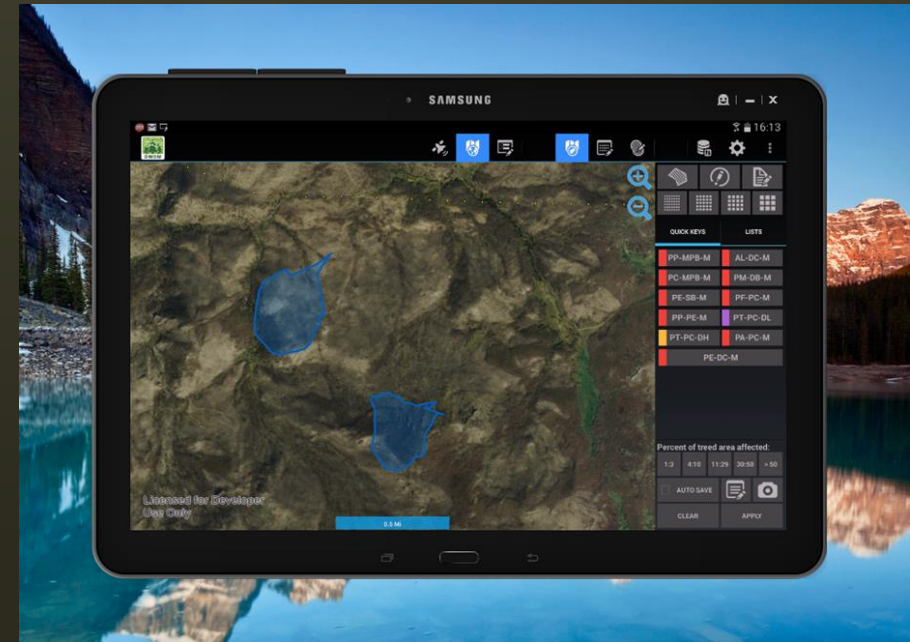
- New hardware/software – Samsung Android Tablets
- Will replace DASM units...
 - Spring 2016 rollout
- Version 2 of DMSM
 - Improved editing
 - Backend data processing
 - Data access



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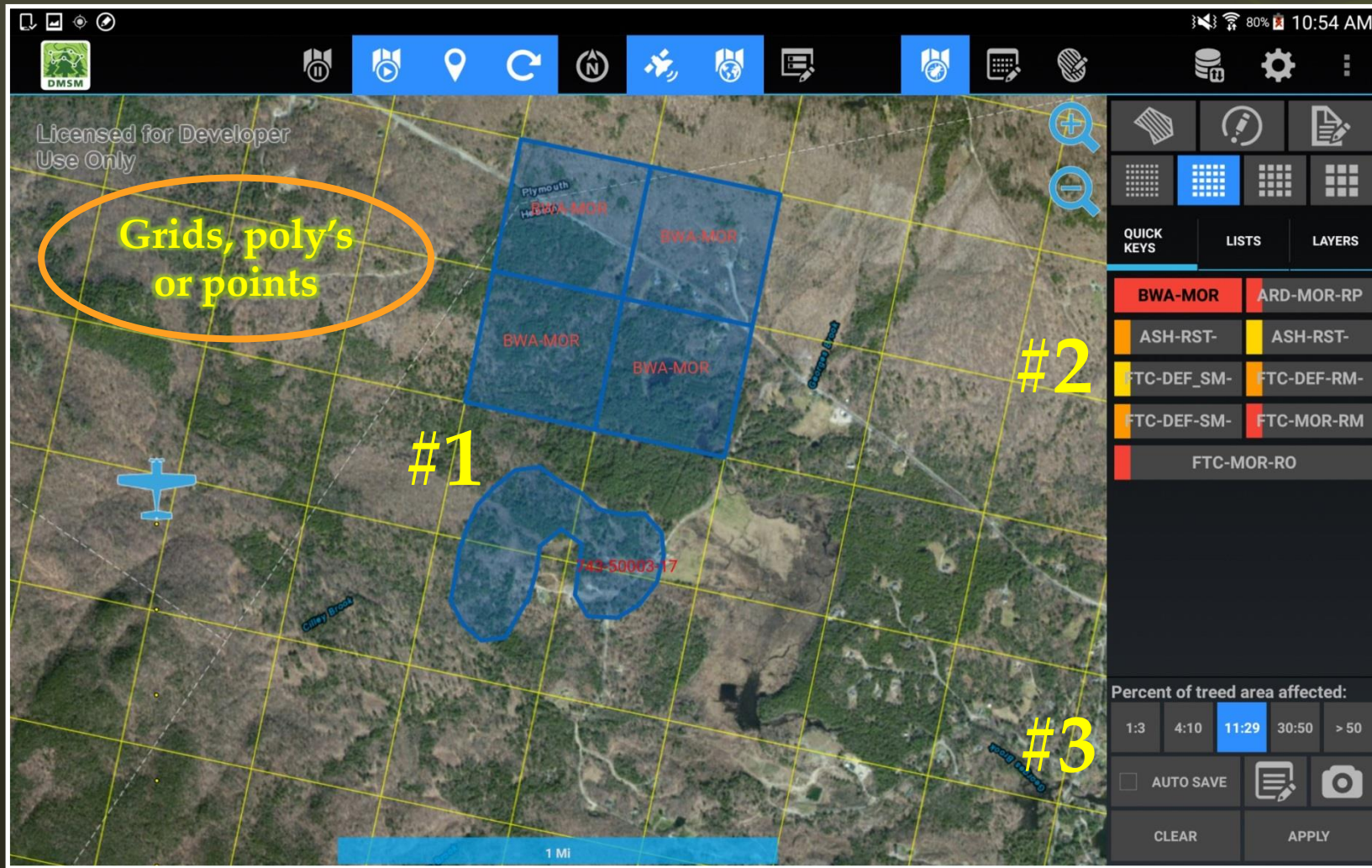
Improved collection methodology & data access

- Streamlined interface – quick keys
- Better damage measure - *Percent of treed area affected*
 - Allows post calculation of trees per acre, basal area loss etc.
 - Minimizes errors of commission
 - Estimates of live vs. dead
- Standard pest coding
- Single database



DMSM – Digital Mobile Sketch Mapping System

1. Draw – polygon, point, or select grid cells
2. Select quick key – prebuilt keys containing agent, host, and damage types
3. Choose percent treed area affected – one of five classes



Ground Survey – Forest Pest Observations

Forest Pest Observation Data Base Application (FPODBA)

**United States Department of Agriculture**
Forest Service

**CAIDA - Forest Pest Observation Database**



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Create Observation

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Report Basic Information

Report Name

Report Type

Observer

[Add Observer](#)

Reporter
Krist, Frank

Reporter's Contact Information

Reporter's Agency

Reporter's Forest Service Unit



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Ground Survey – Forest Pest Observations

New mobile ground application...

- Android
- Conducting requirements gathering – Fall 2015
- Prototype – Spring 2016
- Builds on CAIDA/Forest Pest Observation Data Base Application
- Single data base for aerial and ground applications
- What *could* it look like...



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Quick Keys

Attributes

Observer:

Conly, Mike

Observation Date:

12/13/2014

Host(s):

Ponderosa Pine - Pinus ponderosa

DCA:

Western Pine Beetle - Dendroctonus brevicomis

Damage Type:

Mortality

Remarks:

Percent of Area Affected:

1-3

4-10

11-29

30-50

50<

Apply

Clear



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Quick Keys

Attributes

MPB-5N

WBBB

SB

ENGR-LPP

ENGR-PP

ENGR-FIR

UNK BB

IPS-PIÑ

WPB-PP

ENGR-DF

IPS-BS

DFTM

WSBW

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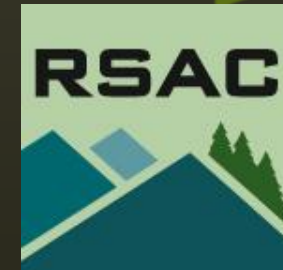
Operational Remote Sensing - ORS

What can ORS do?

- Identify some areas with disturbances
- Possibly identify disturbance types – mortality vs. defoliation
- Augment & guide aerial surveys
 - Prioritize surveys – FDM
 - Provides data in areas too dangerous to fly – 30,000,000 acres in 2015

FHP ORS Program

- Partnering with RSAC
- Two contract analysts



ORS – Examples

FOREST DISTURBANCE MONITOR

▼ Persistence/Disturbance Layers

Step 1 ●

Select Persistence of Disturbance

May 24 - Apr 22(3yr)

Persistence of Disturbance

Step 2 ●

Select USDA Data Source

FHTET-RSAC EFETAC-NASA

Select Disturbance Composite

May 24 - May 08(3yr bd)

Disturbance Composite

70 | Threshold | 200

Use arrow keys for finer threshold control

Step 3 (Optional) ●

Digitize Disturbance Areas

→ **Step 1**

Use Persistence of Disturbance data to quickly find areas of potential forest disturbance



→ **Step 2**

Use Disturbance data to threshold or create a "disturbance signature"

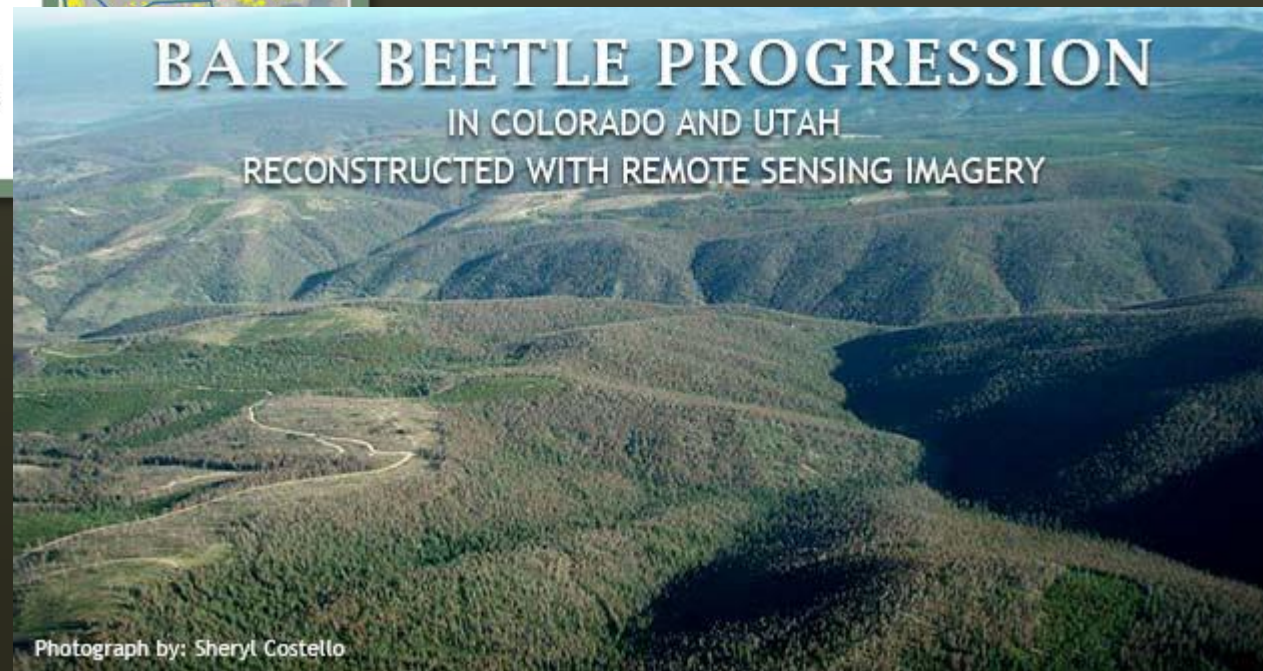


→ **Step 3**

Create screen digitized polygons around potential areas of forest disturbance



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BARK BEETLE PROGRESSION
IN COLORADO AND UTAH
RECONSTRUCTED WITH REMOTE SENSING IMAGERY

Photograph by: Sheryl Costello



FHP Mapping & Reporting Portal

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Past Condition

Present Condition

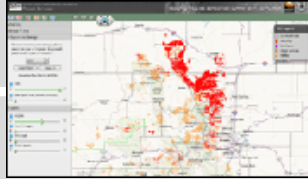
Potential Future Condition



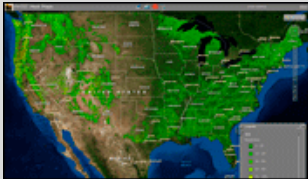
Forest Pest Conditions Viewer



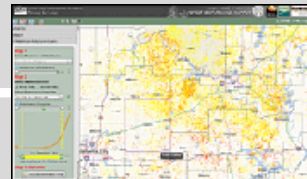
Insect & Disease Survey Explorer



Individual Tree Species Parameters



Forest Disturbance Monitor



Soil Drainage & Productivity
Index Viewer



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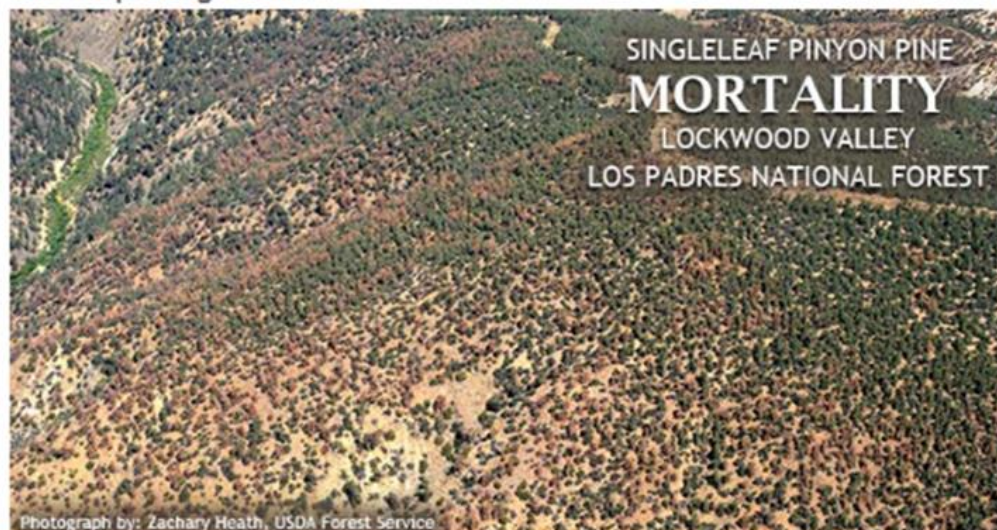
Forest Health Advisory
System – NFS, NPS, etc.



NIDRM Viewer



Explore Forest Insect and Disease Conditions in the United States using Forest Health Protection Mapping and Reporting Tools.



Headlines

So, what's on this portal?

National Forest Pest Survey Information, updated annually

Ips hunteri Outbreak in Arizona

Aerial detection surveys in eastern Arizona documented a significant increase in Engelmann and blue spruce mortality.

Pinyon Ips in California

In 2014, dead singleleaf pinyon pine were observed during aerial surveys over California and western Nevada.

Six-spined Ips Outbreak

Six-spined Ips outbreak on the Northern Cheyenne Indian Reservation

Sudden Oak Death Survey

Sudden oak death survey in California

Applications

Welcome to the US Forest Service, forest insect and disease reporting portal. The applications below access a myriad of state, county and local level forest insect and disease conditions data. In addition we offer a window into near real time forest disturbance information collected from space. Data input applications are restricted to cooperators with specific training and expertise. If you need access to an application not listed below please contact us.



VIEW PEST CONDITIONS

Forest Pest Conditions

Explore county level maps of major forest insect and disease conditions throughout the United States.



VIEW DATA SUMMARIES

Data Summaries

Review, query, and download tables with acre summaries from the Insect and Disease Survey (IDS) database.



EXPLORE INSECT AND DISEASE MAPS

IDS Explorer

Explore and query geospatial data from the Insect and Disease Survey (IDS)



SEARCH REPORTS FOR ALIEN FOREST PESTS

AFPE Database

Track state and county level reports of non-native forest insect and diseases.



VIEW FOREST DISTURBANCE

Forest Disturbance Monitor

View, threshold, and download recent forest disturbance maps for use in targeted

Survey & Monitoring

- **Monitoring** – *Process* that involves the collection and analysis of *repeated observations* to evaluate or predict changes in forest health conditions
- **Aerial Surveys** – Primary means in FHP of collecting consistent *repeated observations* nationally
 - FHP establishes a national baseline of forest pest abundance and distribution through its mapping and reporting portal



How Does ORS Work?

Compare Satellite Images to find changes in Greenness which can often be the result of Pest Damage

