

USGS Capacity Building and Dataset Development Activities – 2012/13



Examples of Datasets “Supported” by USGS

- Domestic (US)
 - National Land Cover DB
 - National topography (DEM, LiDAR)
 - NIDIS, VegDRI (drought)
 - Phenology
- International/Global
 - Global Multi-resolution Terrain Elevation Data
 - GeoSur (DEM derivatives)
 - International Charter
 - Landsat Browse products
 - Afghanistan Portal
 - FEWS-NET (famine early warning)
 - LPDAAC (MODIS, ASTER with NASA)
 - Global mangrove database
 - West Africa Landcover
 - Uganda FtF (pending)



“Landsat Look” Viewer - Full Resolution Browse

The screenshot shows the LandsatLook Viewer interface in Mozilla Firefox. The main view is a satellite map of Washington, DC, with the Potomac River flowing through it. The map uses a color-coded system where purple and green represent urban and vegetated areas, while blue and brown represent water bodies and other land types. A legend in the top left corner identifies these colors. The top navigation bar includes File, Edit, View, History, Bookmarks, Tools, Help, and a search bar. The address bar shows the URL <http://landsatlook.usgs.gov/>. On the right side, there is a control panel for "Display" settings, including "Select Scenes" (Years: 1999 - 2012, Days: All year, Cloud: 20%, Sensors: TM, ETM+), "Time" (Timeline from 25 Jan 1999 to 01 Nov 2011, with options for "Only One" or "Current & Older"), "Enhancements" (None, Percent Clip, Stretch 3SD), "Transparency" (Slider from off to visible), and "Tools" (Metadata, Table). Below the display controls is an "Advanced Query" button. The bottom of the screen shows a scale bar (1:144 K), coordinates (Lat: 38.90°N Lon: -76.99°W), and a file format (Format: jpg). The Esri logo is in the bottom right corner.

<http://landsatlook.usgs.gov>

Landsat - Full Resolution Browse

- 3-band jpeg
- ~5-8 MB for RGB
- World or XML file
- Top of Atmosphere reflectance values
- OLI: 6,5,4
- 5,4,3 for TM & ETM+
- 2,4,1 for MSS
- Thermal (not available for MSS)

Global Mangrove Database Development



Giri et al., 2011

International Charter for Space and Major Disasters

201201_Floods_Brazil	201208_Hurricane_Isaac
201202_Cyclone_Giovanna	201209_Earthquake_China
201202_Floods_Algeria	201209_Fires_Ecuador
201202_Floods_Peru	201209_Floods_Cameroon
201202_Volcano_Semeru	201209_Floods_Pakistan
201203_Cyclone_Irina	201209_Floods_South_Sudan
201205_Floods_China	201209_Landslide_India
201206_Volcano_Guatemala	201210_Floods_Chad
201207_Floods_India	201210_Floods_Nigeria
201207_Floods_Russia	201210_Hurricane_Sandy
201208_Fires_Algeria	201210_Hurricane_Sandy_Haiti
201208_Floods_Niger	201211_Earthquake_Guatemala
201208_Floods_Nigeria	201211_Floods_UK
201208_Floods_Philippines	201212_Cyclone_Evan
	201212_Typhoon_Bopha
	201212_Typhoon_Bopha_Philippines

2012
Disaster
Response

USGS/EROS

Examples of Capacity Building Components of USGS /EROS Projects

- GOFC-GOLD (GFOI)
- FEWS-NET Food Security Training
- A Geospatial Stream Flow Model (GeoSFM) Hydrologic Modeling Workshop
- GeoSUR (CAF)

FEWS-NET Food Security Training (2012)

(Remote sensing, GIS, and GeoWRSI)

Lusaka, Zambia: Tamuka Magadzire

Managua, Nicaragua: Mario Rodriguez

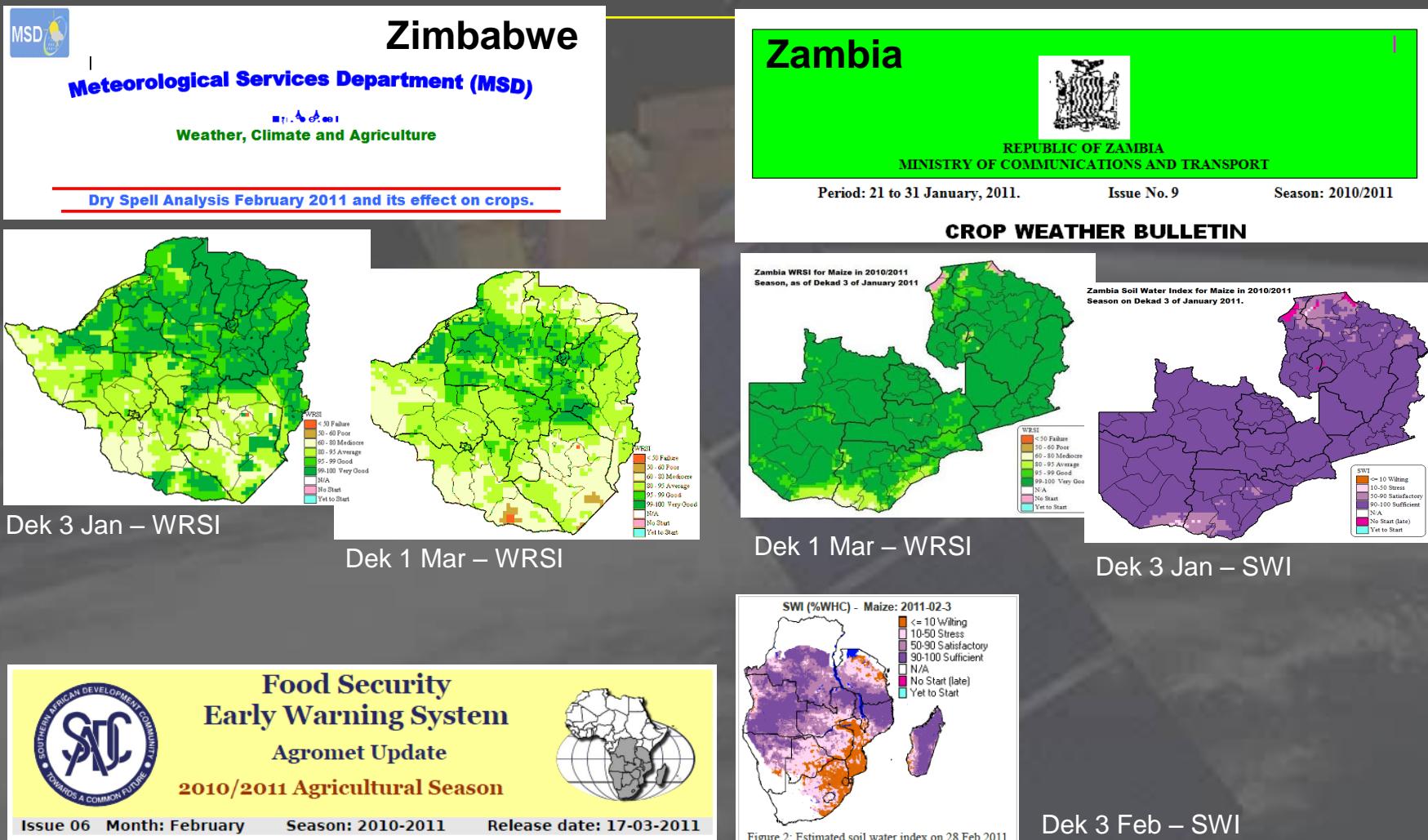
Harare, Zimbabwe: Tamuka Magadzire

San Salvador, El Salvador: Mario Rodriguez

San Jose, Costa Rica: Mario Rodriguez

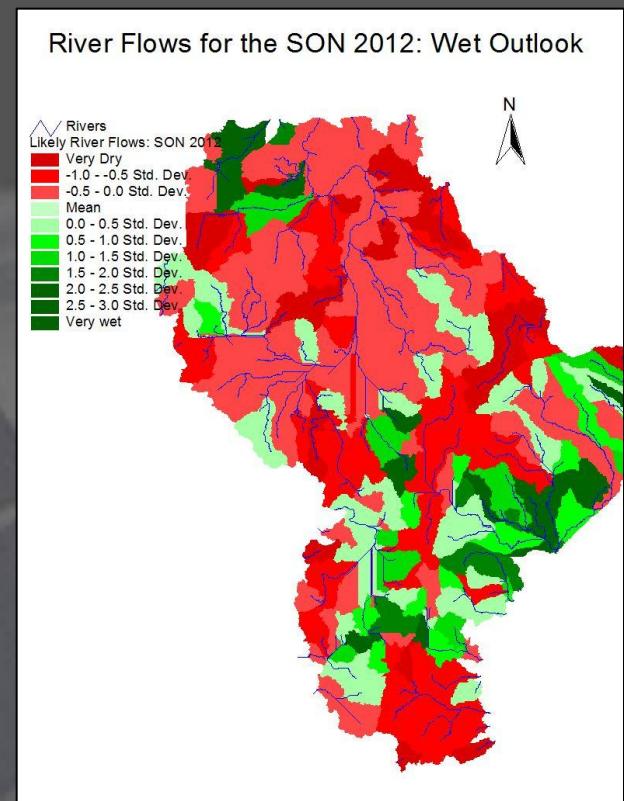
Port-au-Prince, Haiti: Jim Rowland, Michael Budde

FEWS-NET Food Security Workshop Products



GeoSFM hydrologic modeling workshop - GHA

- IGAD Climate Prediction Center (ICPAC) in Nairobi, Kenya.
- Produce seasonal hydrologic forecast for the Greater Horn of Africa region using the GeoSFM forced with seasonal weather forecasts.
- USAID/Office of Foreign Disaster Assistance funded



GeoSUR: Development of a Geospatial Information Network for South America

The screenshot shows the GeoSUR website homepage. The header features the logo "GeoSUR La Red Geoespacial de América Latina y el Caribe" and the CAF (Corporación Andina de Fomento) logo. The top navigation bar includes links for Home, Search, Launch Map Viewer, Register, and language options (Spanish and English). The left sidebar contains three main sections: Tools (Home, Search, Launch Map Viewer, Register), GeoSUR Program (About the Program, Technical Assistance, Implementation, OGC Web Map Services (WMS)), and Resources (Technical Documents, Frequently Asked Questions, Feedback). The main content area has sections for "Home", "Basic Search" (with a placeholder "By area, date, subject or keyword"), "Open Viewer:" (a dropdown menu set to "Select the Map Viewer"), and "Interactive Map" (a 3D map of South America). A small "Feedback" link is visible at the bottom right of the main content area.

Corporacion Andina de Fomento (Andean Development Bank)



Topographic Processing Service (TPS)

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Enhancing South America's SDI through dynamic SRTM 30-m Web processing

NASA and the National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency (NGA) released the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) 3-arc-second (90-m) global digital elevation model (DEM) free to the public (NASA 2005a) in 2003. The change from 1,000-m resolution elevation data to 90-m allowed more countries to use the data for more detailed applications or additional uses.

To provide even more access to the SRTM data, the [U.S. Geological Survey \(USGS\)](#) and [Corporación Andina de Fomento \(aka Andean Development Bank = CAF\) GeoSUR program](#) released a new tool. The Topographic Processing Service (TPS) expands access to this DEM for South America. Scientists can use the TPS to derive products from the SRTM Level-2 1-arc-second (30-m) resolution DEM. These source data are not freely available because they are of restricted distribution. The TPS allows users to derive products from this restricted data without seeing the data. The security requirements defined by the NGA are maintained.

Users can request selected products from the restricted distribution data through a Web-enabled geo-processing service. This allows users to develop higher resolution products to extract more detailed information to better help them with natural disaster prevention and mitigation, natural resource management, and local and international infrastructure development.

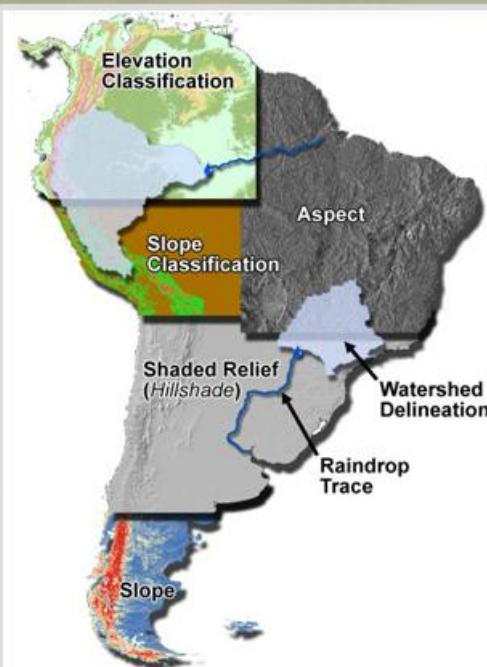


Figure 1. Composite image of TPS's available DEM derivative products

Interactive Access to SRTM2 (30m) Topographic Derivatives



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USGS continues to contribute to remote sensing training, dataset, and tool development for underserved communities through its general remote sensing programs and project activities.

Questions?

