

Swiss Needle Cast Cooperative

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To conduct research on enhancing Douglas-fir productivity and forest health in the presence of Swiss needle cast and other diseases in coastal forests of Oregon and Washington.

Research

Epidemiology

Ecology

Silviculture

Models

Weather and
climate

Douglas-fir

SNCC Research And Monitoring Plot Network

- *Aerial Detection Survey
- *Coast Range Plot Network
- *Cascades Monitoring plots
- *Weather Stations
- *Collaborations

Collaboration

OSU Cooperatives
Washington SNC Group (UW)
Washington DNR
British Columbia SNC Group
University of British Columbia
BC Ministry of Forests
Forest Pathologists Everywhere
Western International Forest Disease
Work Conference
IUFRO, 7.02.02 Foliage and Twig
Diseases

Membership

Starker Forests
Oregon Dept of Forestry
Weyerhaeuser Corporation
USDA Forest Service, FHP
Stimson Lumber
Cascade Timber Consulting
Greenwood Resources, Inc.
Lewis & Clark Tree Farms, LLC

Public Funding
To OSU/CoF/SNCC

Tree Improvement

Led by Pacific Northwest Tree
Improvement Cooperative

Keith Jayawickrama, Director

Management

Collaborations with
CIPS: modeling

Silviculture Research

Outreach and Education

Shaw is a Forest Health
Specialist with Forestry and
Natural Resources Extension.

Publications

Research Publications

Outreach

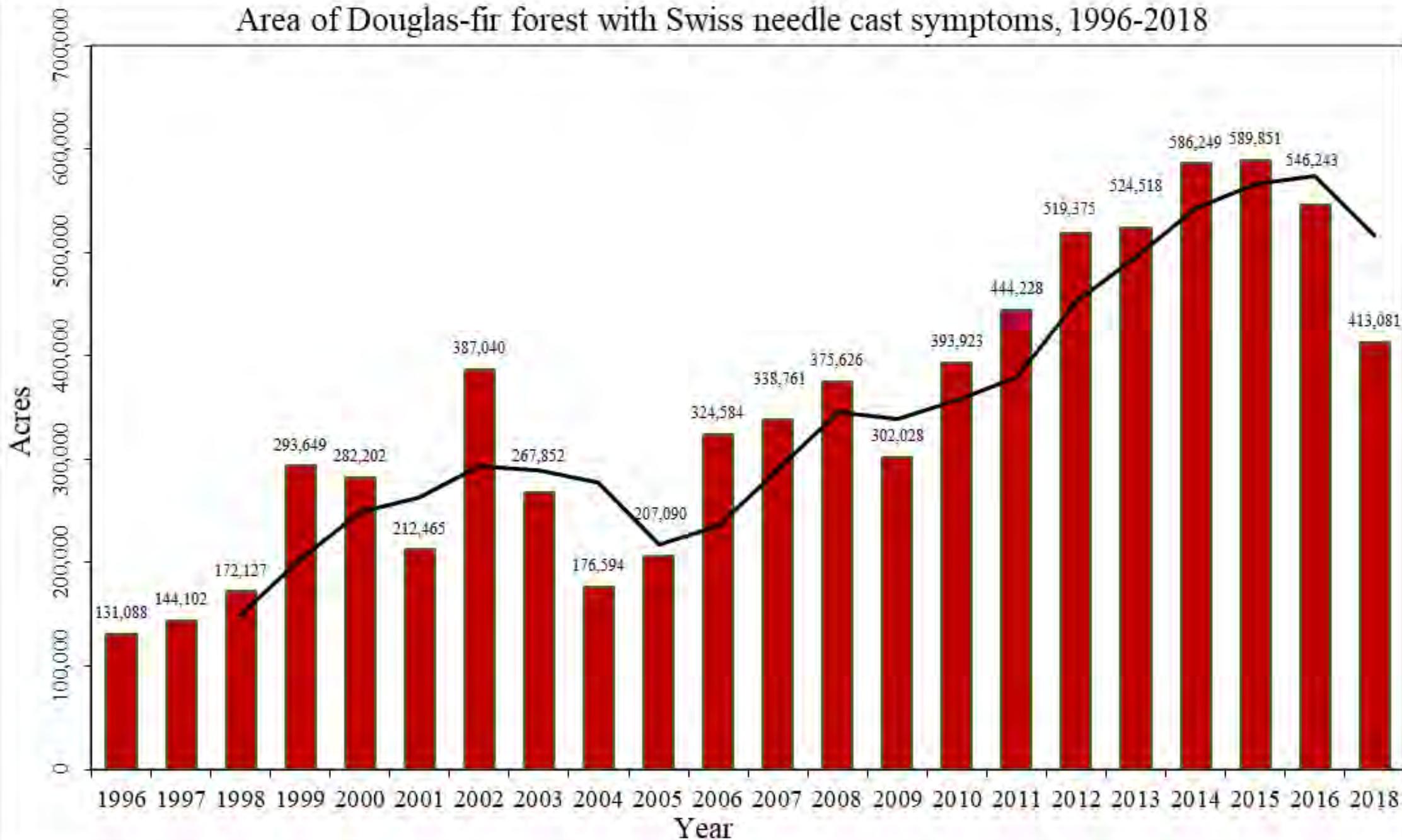
Organization of SNCC

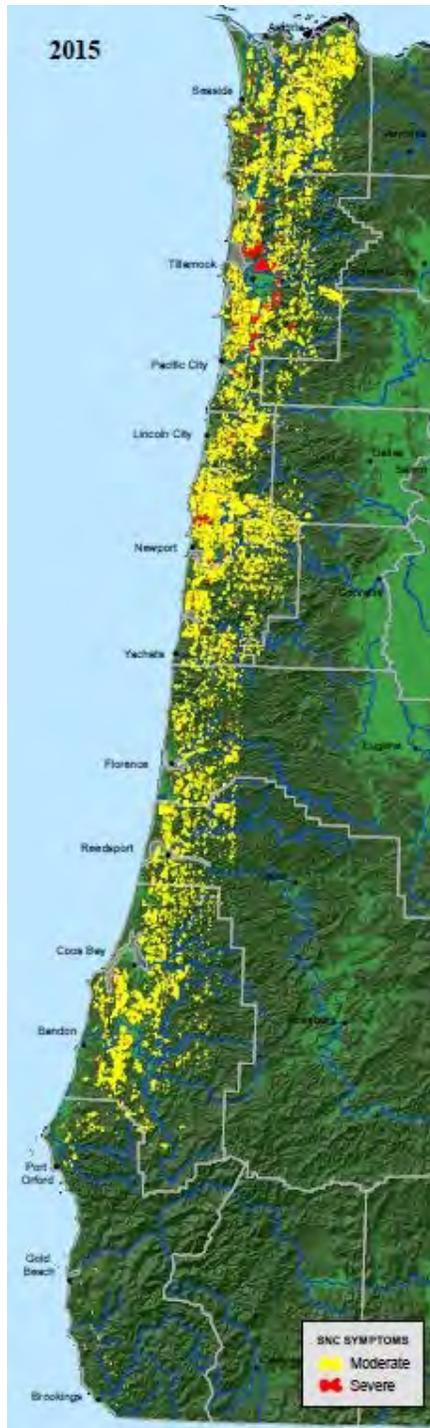
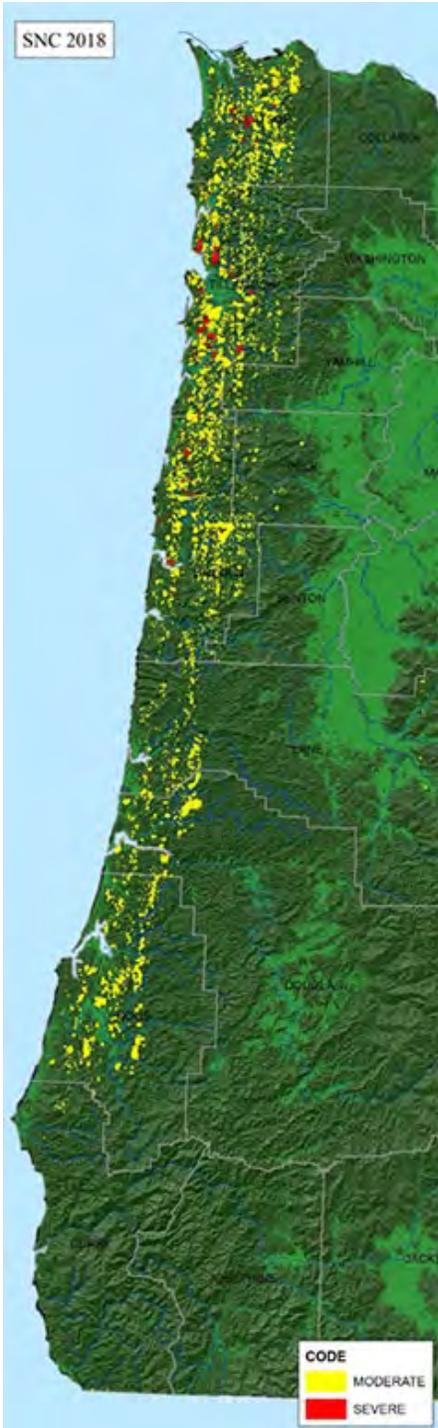
- David Shaw, Director
- Gabriela Ritokova, Assistant Director
- Membership
- Collaborations
- Funding
 - Membership \$11,000/yr 2020
 - \$12,000/yr 2021
 - State Legislature-CoF
 - \$95,000/year



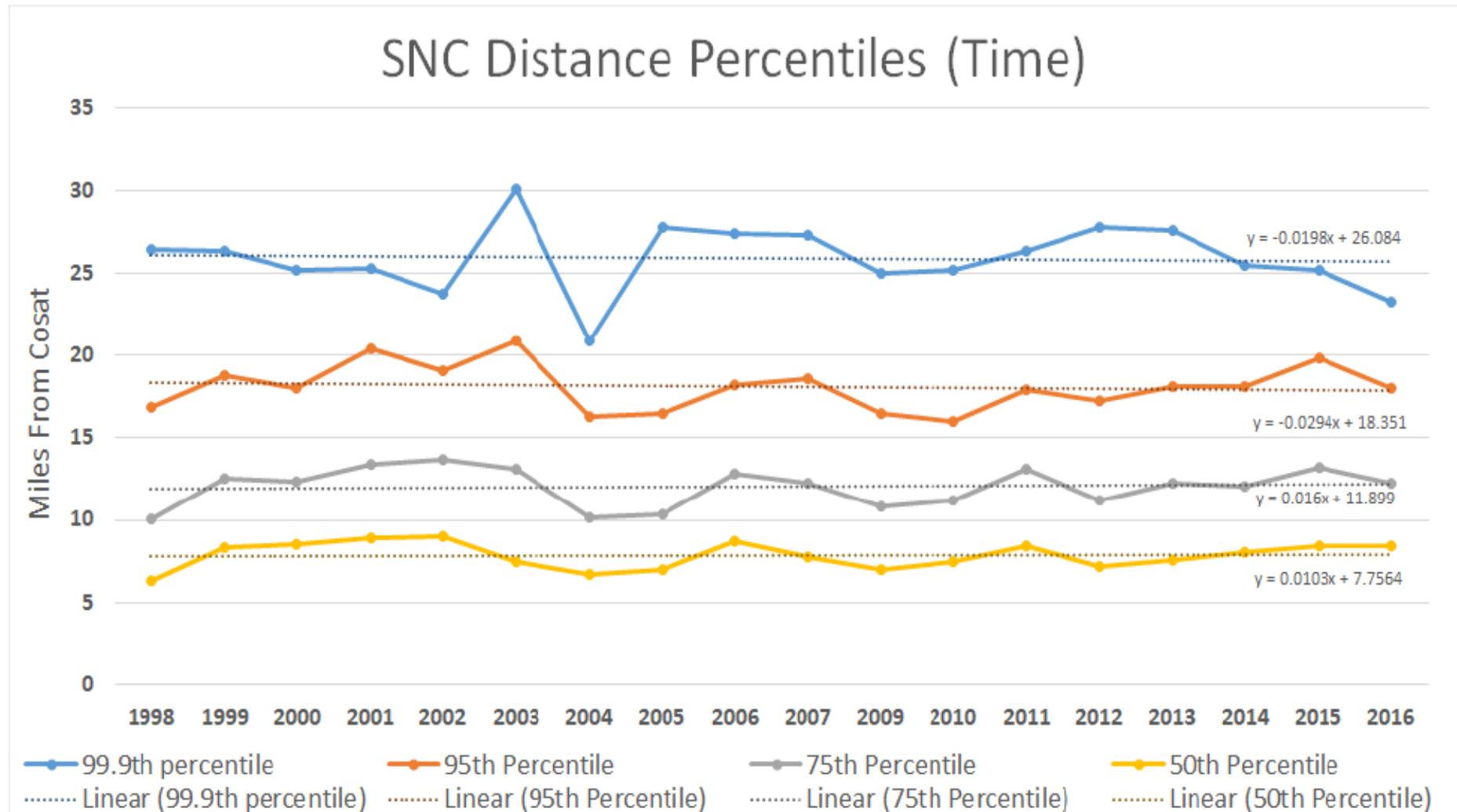
Group photo

Area of Douglas-fir forest with Swiss needle cast symptoms, 1996-2018

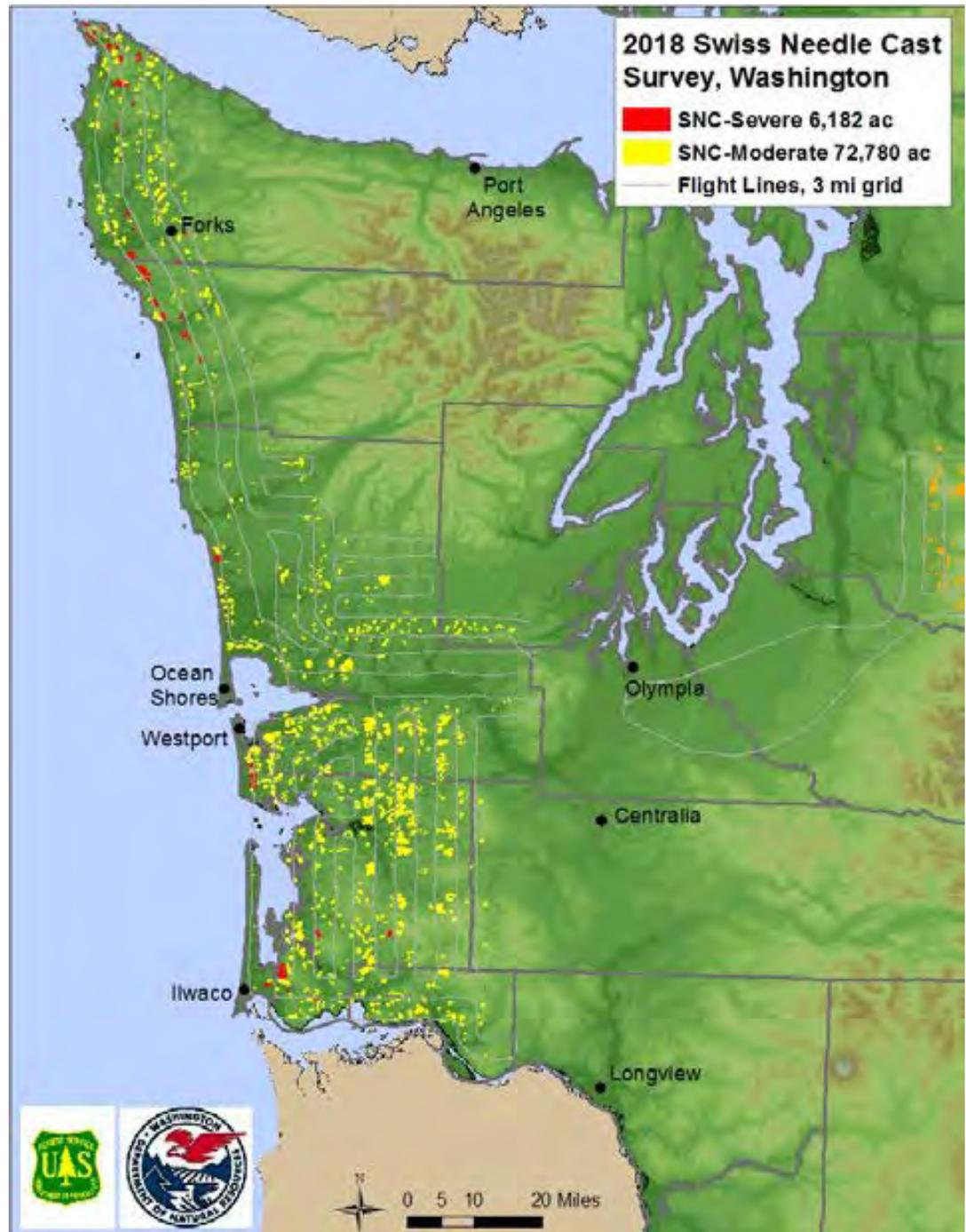
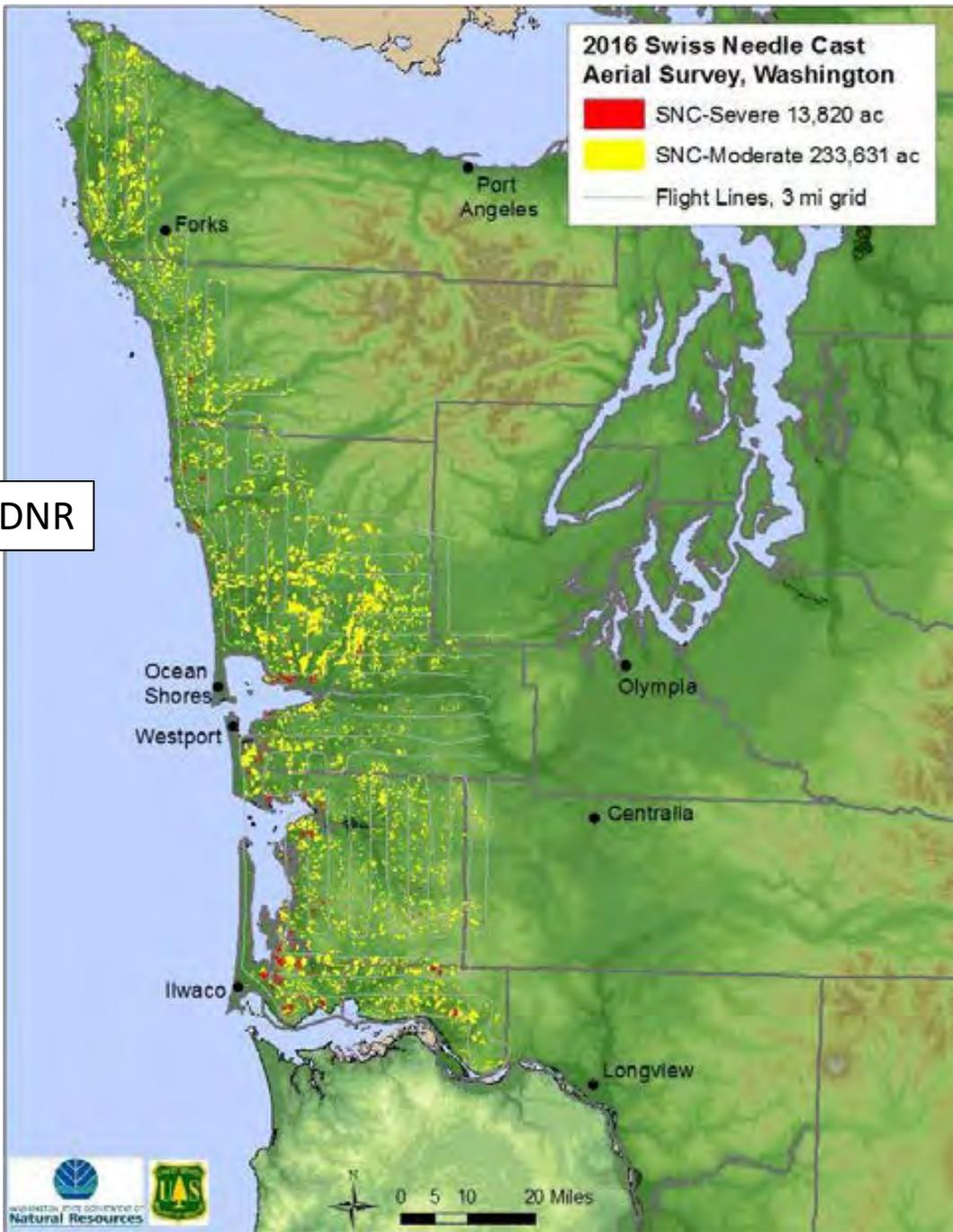




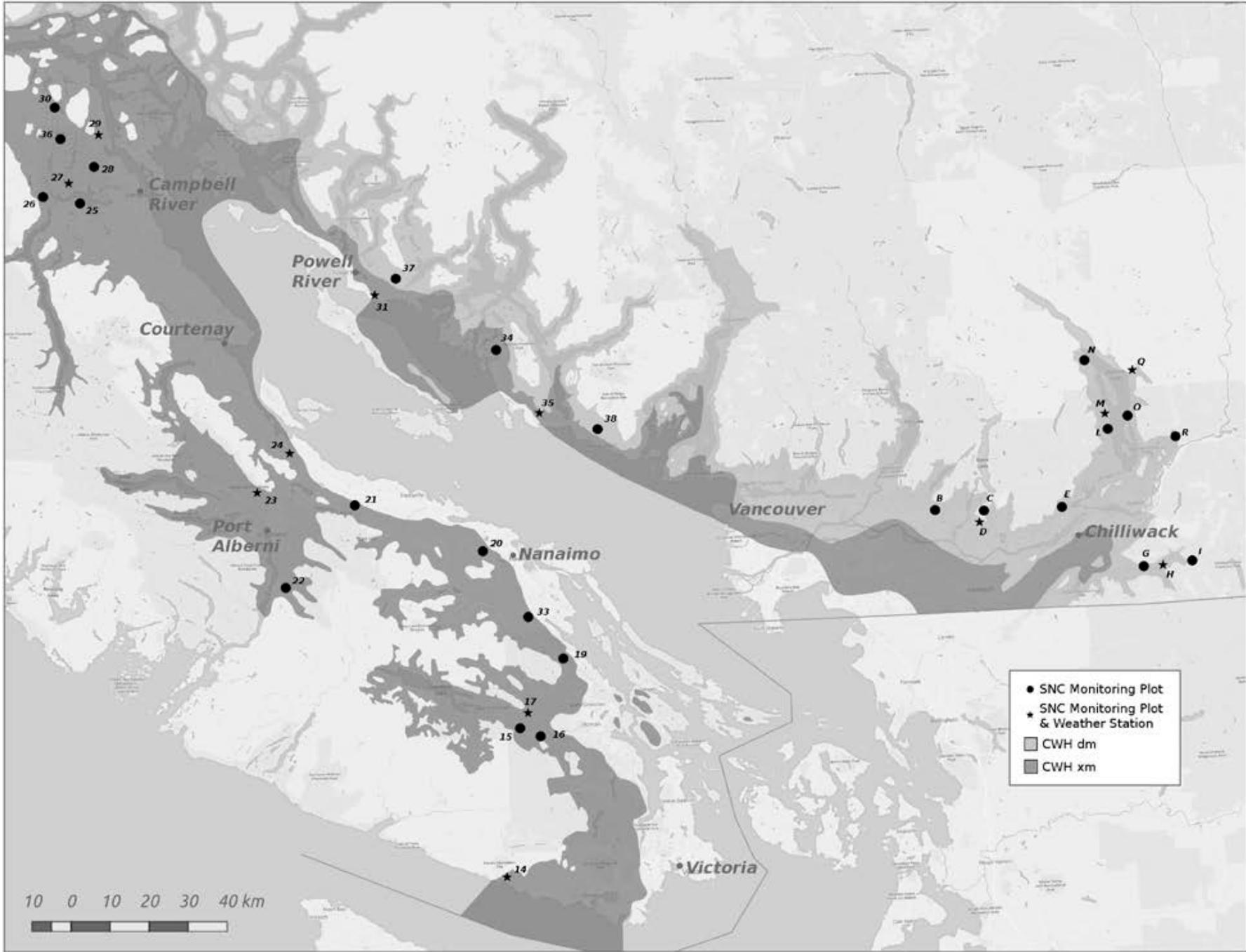
Andrew Russo MF, new analysis of ADS



WADNR



British Columbia. SNC is emerging there



BC, near Chilliwack





SNCC Research and Monitoring Plot Network

- 2013 – 2015 installed 106 plots.
- From California border to SW Washington and 35 miles inland
- Ten-year project
- Disease severity, needle retention, soil and foliage nutrients.
- Growth and yield impacts/models



Network is being used to
make new predictions on
distribution and epidemiology

New Maps:

Needle retention

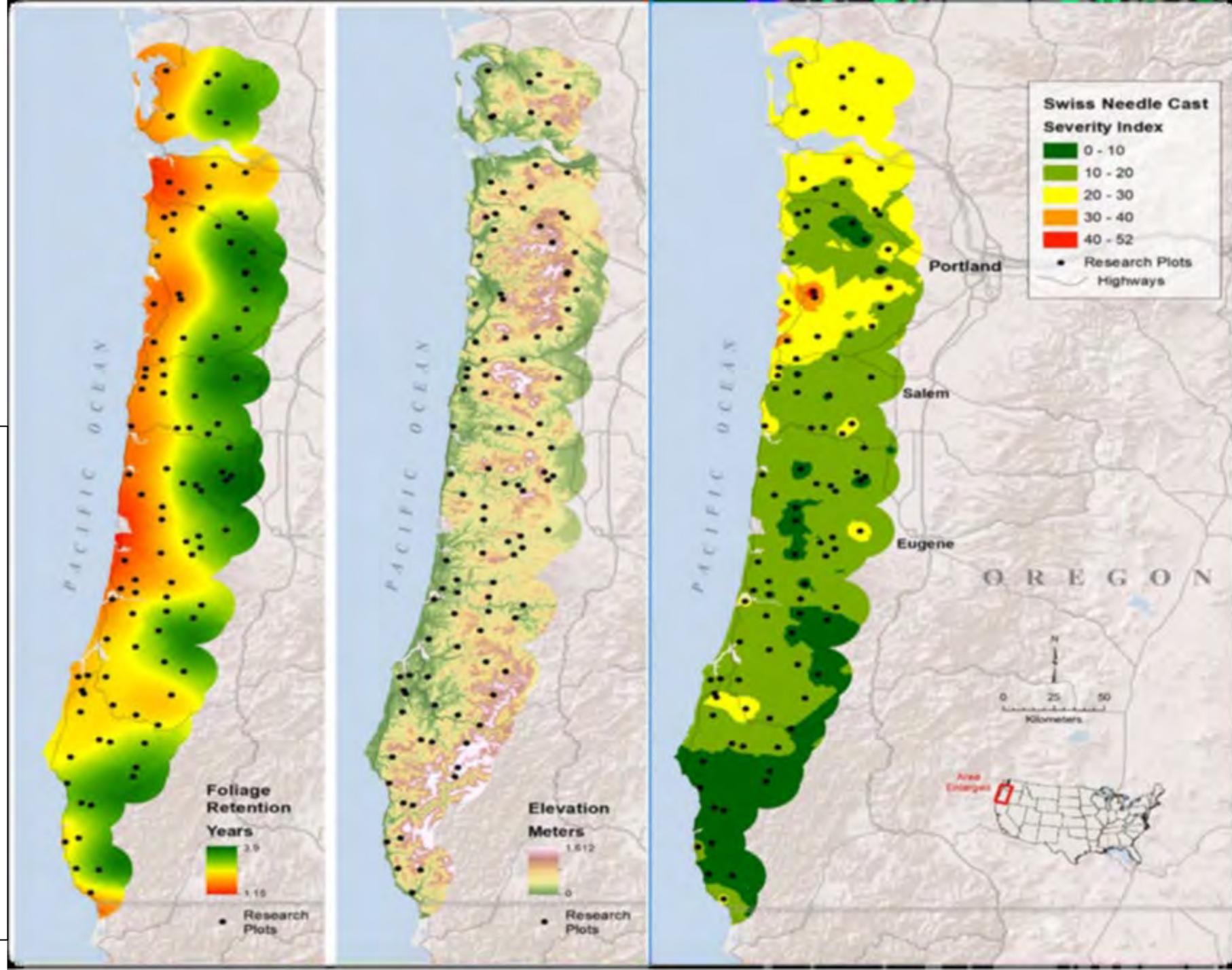
Disease severity

Publications

Ritóková, G., D.B. Mainwaring, D.C. Shaw, and Y.-H. Lan. 2021. Douglas-fir foliage retention dynamics across a gradient of Swiss needle cast in Oregon and Washington. *Canadian Journal of Forest Research*: Just in: Oct 12, 2020. <https://doi.org/10.1139/cjfr-2020-0318>

Lan Y-H, Shaw D.C., Ritóková G, Hatten J. 2019. Associations between Swiss Needle Cast Severity and Foliar Nutrients in Young-Growth Douglas-Fir in Coastal Western Oregon and Southwest Washington, USA. *Forest Science*. Fx2022

Bennett P, Stone J.K.. 2019. Environmental variables associated with *Nothophaeocryptopus gaeumannii* population structure and Swiss needle cast severity in Western Oregon and Washington. *Ecology and Evolution*. 9(19):11379-11394.





Chlorosis and low foliage retention from Swiss needle cast

Swiss Needle Cast causes growth loss, not mortality

From Maguire et al. 2011. CJFR

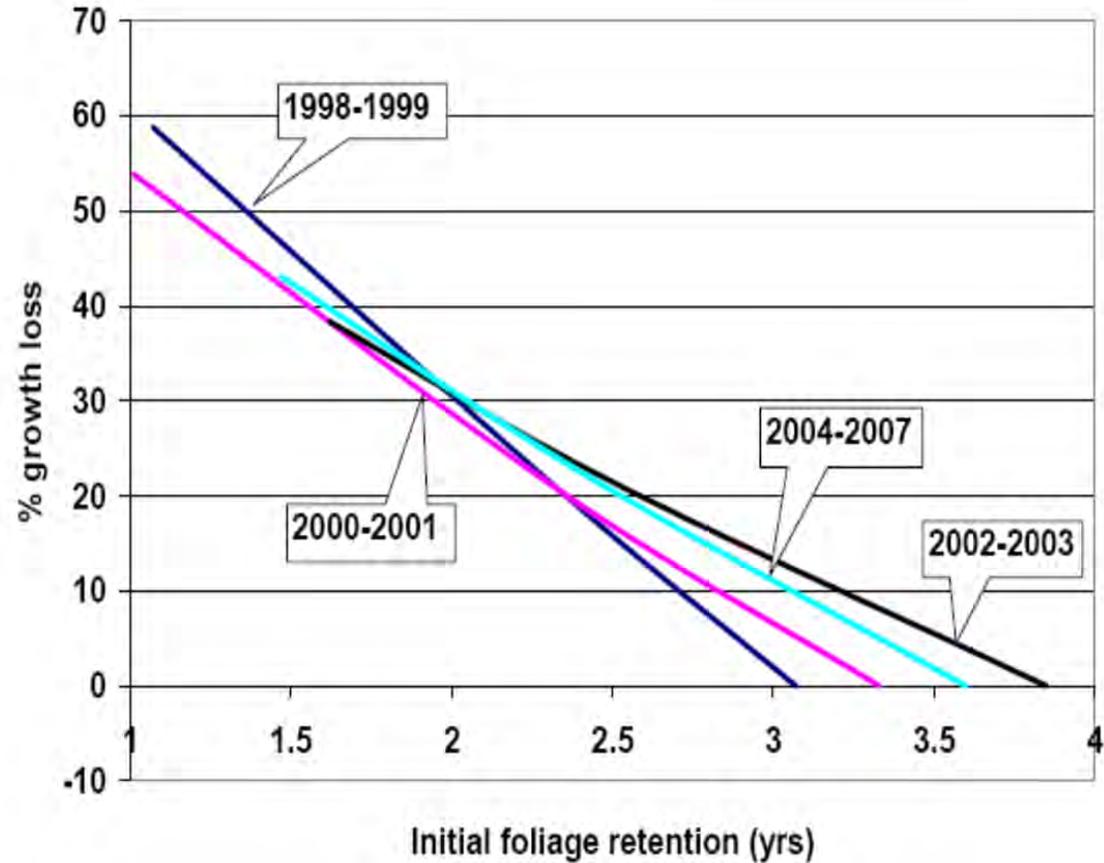


Figure 3. Implied relative growth losses for the four GIS growth periods. Ranges of foliage retention represent those measured at the start of each growth period.