## Remote Sensing Cluster Group meeting November 14, 2022





## Cluster group background and purpose

- Formed in 2011, co-led by Aaron Gunn and Michael Watt
- Current membership of the group is 117 comprising mostly industry participants
- Broad purpose of the group is to facilitate the transfer of knowledge from specialists to industry allowing science uptake



## Geospatial and remote sensing research

## Timeline showing key developments

2009 - Spatial characterisation of productivity for a range of species
2011 - Remote Sensing Cluster group formed
2012 - LiDAR becomes affordable as a data source, research starts
2016 - Sentinel 2 satellite launched - free imagery widely used
2019 - Hyperspectral imagery used as a data source
2019 - Deep learning becoming more widely used in Scion
2021 - Applications developed to detect RNC using satellite imagery and trees using RGB and deep learning

2022 - Productivity surfaces of 300 Index, Site Index, carbon for radiata pine, redwood, uploaded to koordinates

## Presentation overview

| Time | Topic | Speaker |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1.00-1.10 pm | Introduction | Michael Watt |
| $1.10-1.40$ pm | Use of deep learning for tree detection - the end user perspective | Aaron Gunn, Abdullah Madawi |
| $1.40-2.00$ pm | Alternative approach for tree detection using remotely sensed imagery | Sadeepa Jayathunga |
| 2.00-2.20 pm | Detection of trees within the Timberlands estate | John Moore |
| 2.20-2.40 pm | Validation of the Red Needle Cast detection tool using data from 2022 | Andrew Holdaway |
| 2.40-3.00 pm | Tech and forestry: the Uruguayan way | Santiago Ferrando |
| 3.00-3.05 pm | Productivity surfaces describing volume and carbon for radiata pine and alternative species | Michael Watt |
| $3.05-3.20 \mathrm{pm}$ | Break |  |
| $3.20-3.40$ pm | Use of deep learning to identify plantations at the national level | Grant Pearse |
| $3.40-4.00$ pm | Single tree inventory using UAV LiDAR | James McEwan/Sam West |
| 4.00-4.20 pm | Tools for Foresters (UAV working group) update | Robin Hartley |
| $4.20-4.30$ pm | Summary | Aaron Gunn |
| $4.30-5.00$ pm | Questions/Discussion |  |

