

GIS-based Forest Seed Deployment Tracking over Time and Space in British Columbia

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Tree Improvement Cycle



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 - 1946 1st seed planning zone map,
 - 1987 1st map for interior spruce,
 - 1996 1st seed orchard in Prince George zone,
 - Present, web-based SeedMap.

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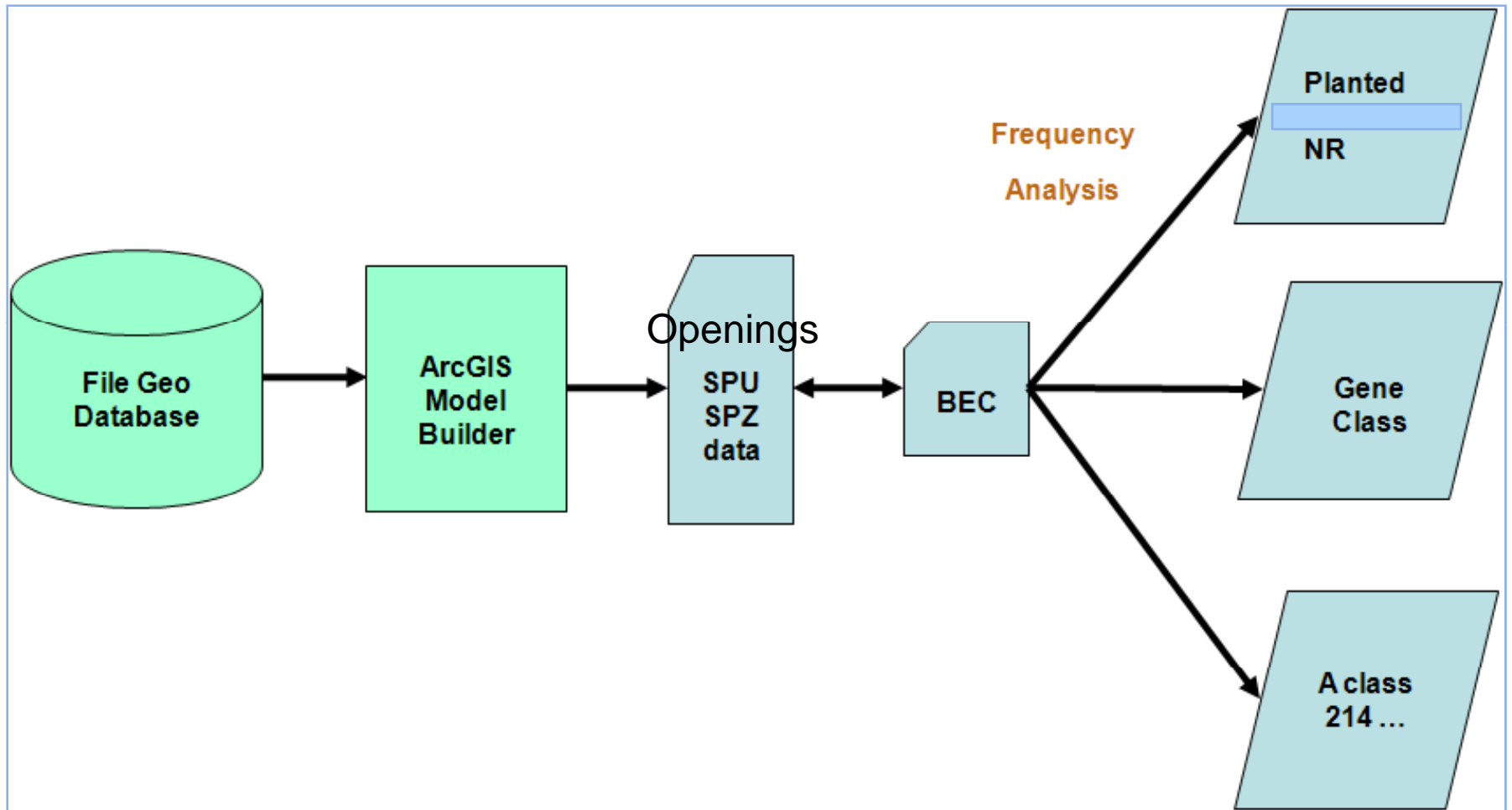
Research objectives

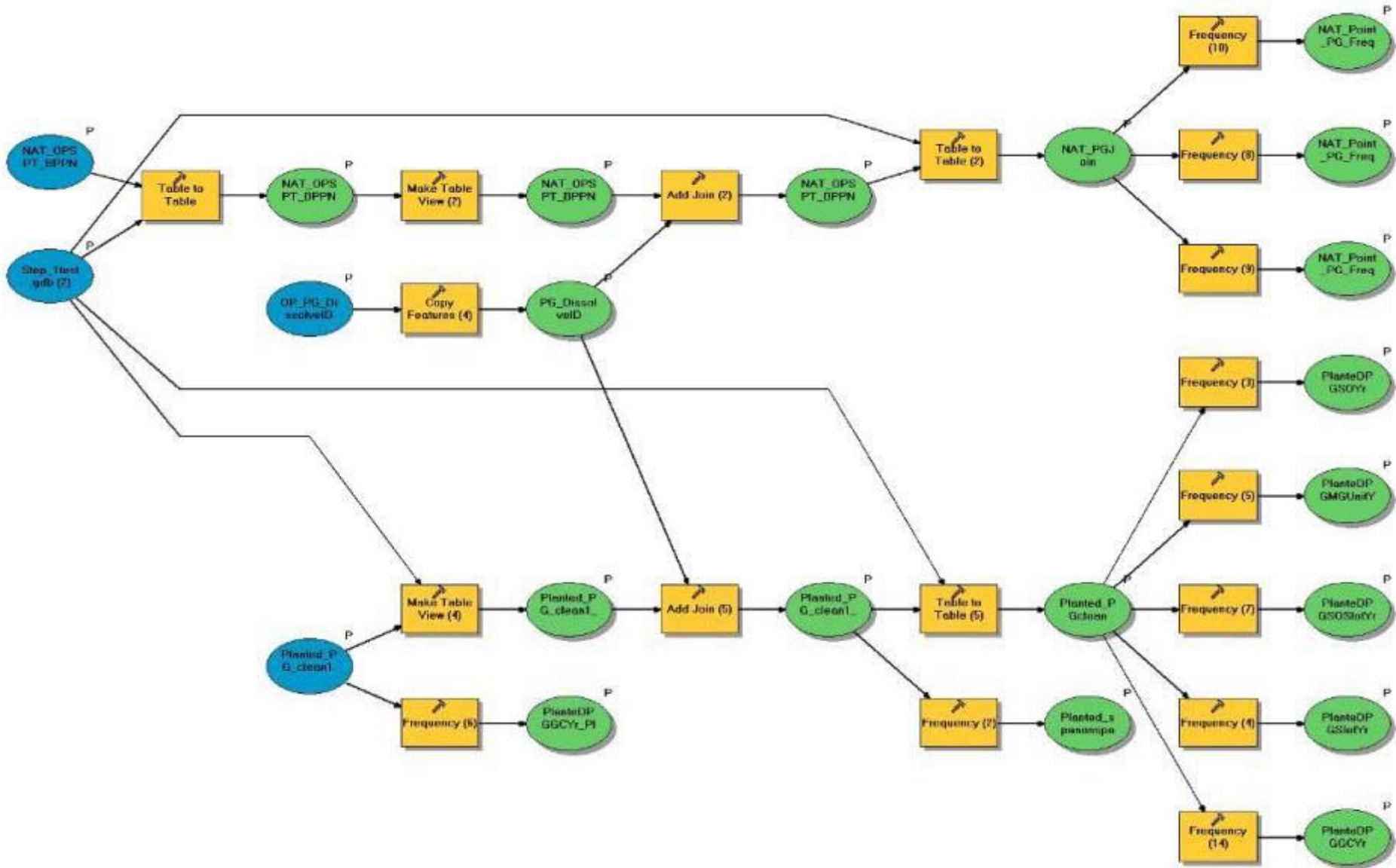
- ❖ Provide an overview of the historical development of GRM with GIS applications;
- ❖ Create GIS methodology for investigating spatiotemporal trends in GRM;
- ❖ Analyze interior spruce deployment trend in genetic composition, geographical distribution, frequency, extent and the possible causes of these trends.

Methods and data analysis

- ❖ Data sources
 - Spatial data sources
 - Non-spatial data sources
- ❖ Data preparation
 - Error checking and data cleaning
 - Spatial data preparation
- ❖ Spatial modeling and analysis
- ❖ Model description

Methods and data analysis



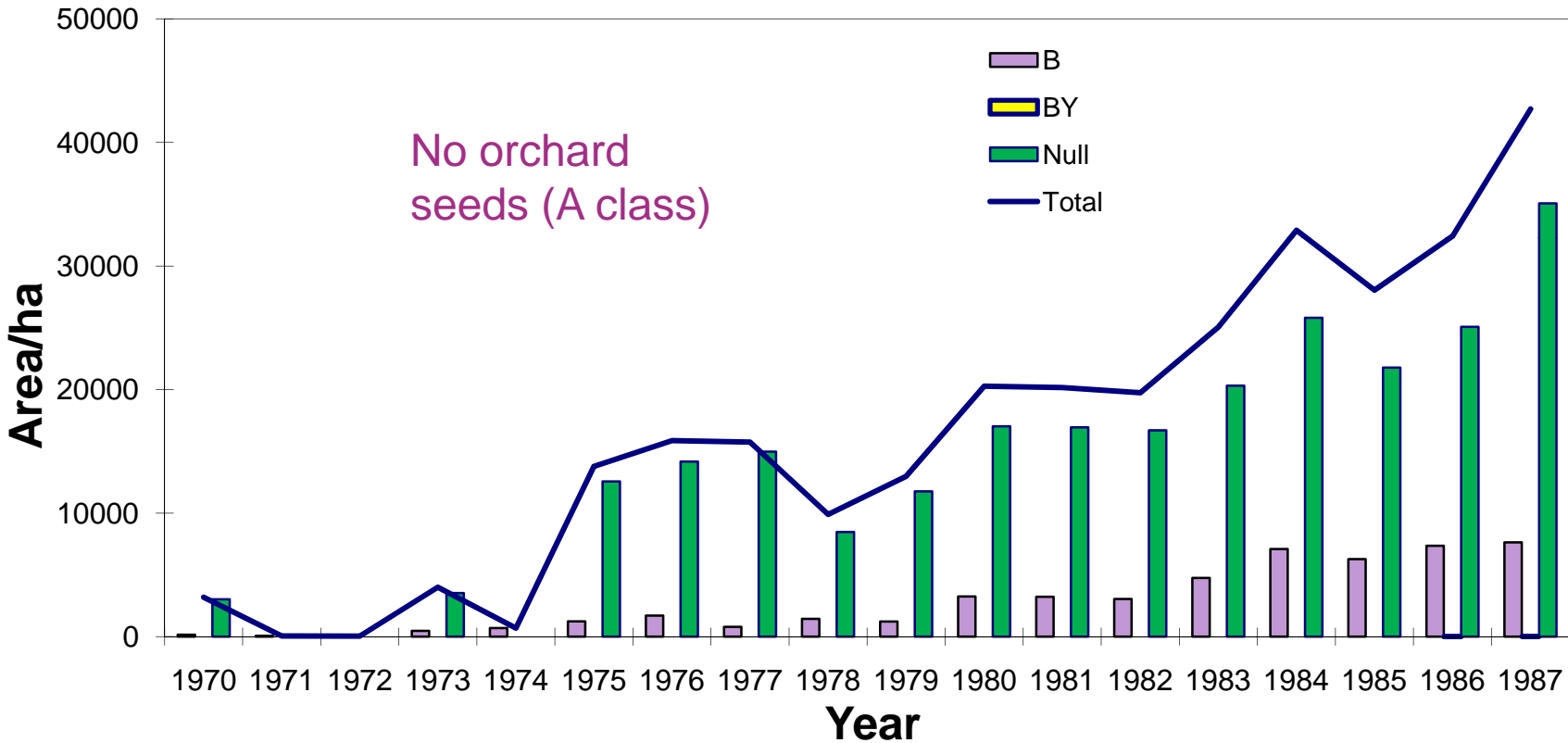


Model flow chart of Step 1-SPZ model. Blue modules represent project data, yellow ones are Tools and green ones are derived data outputs.

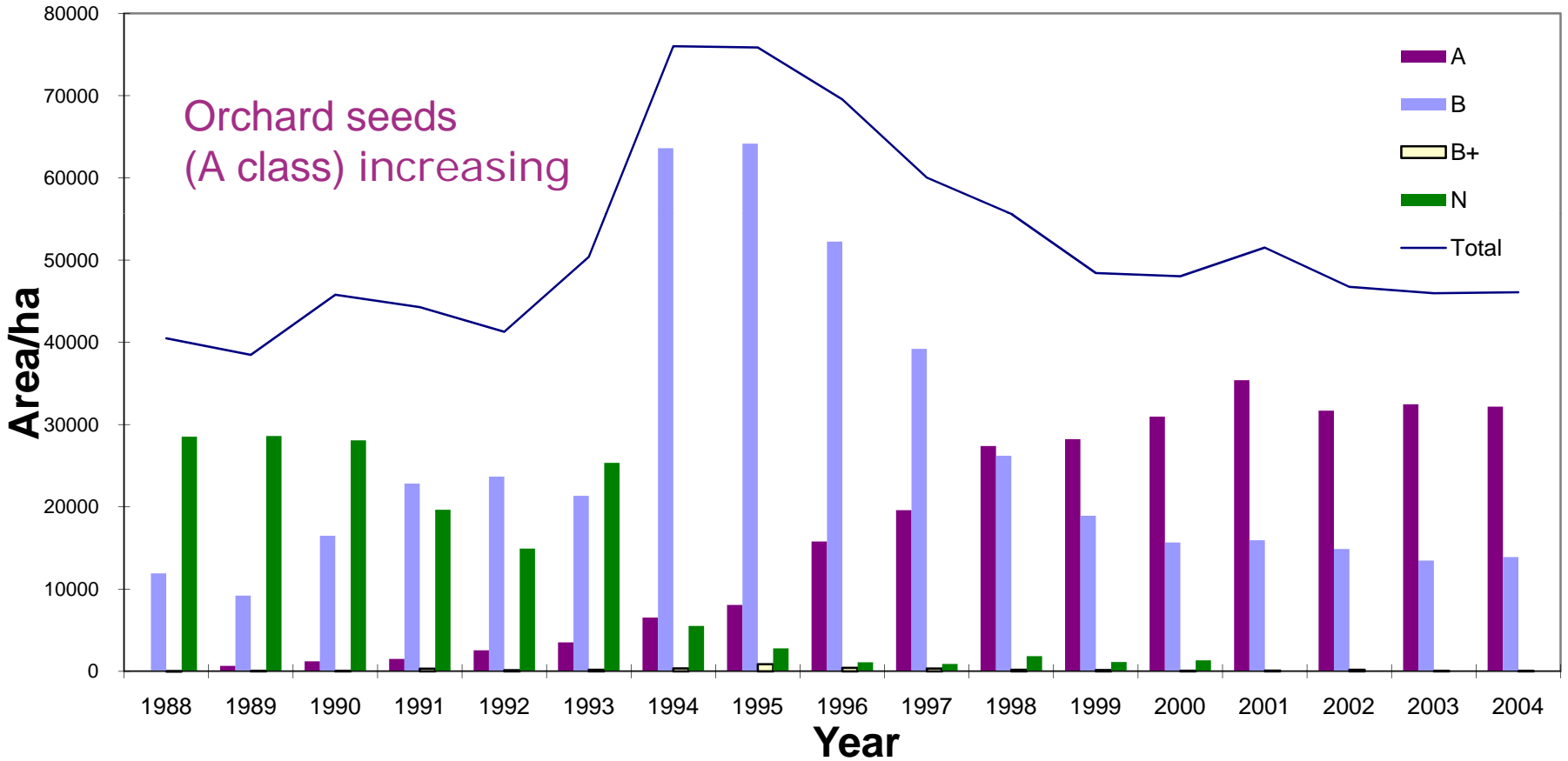
Results

- ❖ Background report
- ❖ PG Seed Planning Zone
 - BEC Zone
 - SPU
- ❖ Map representations for openings

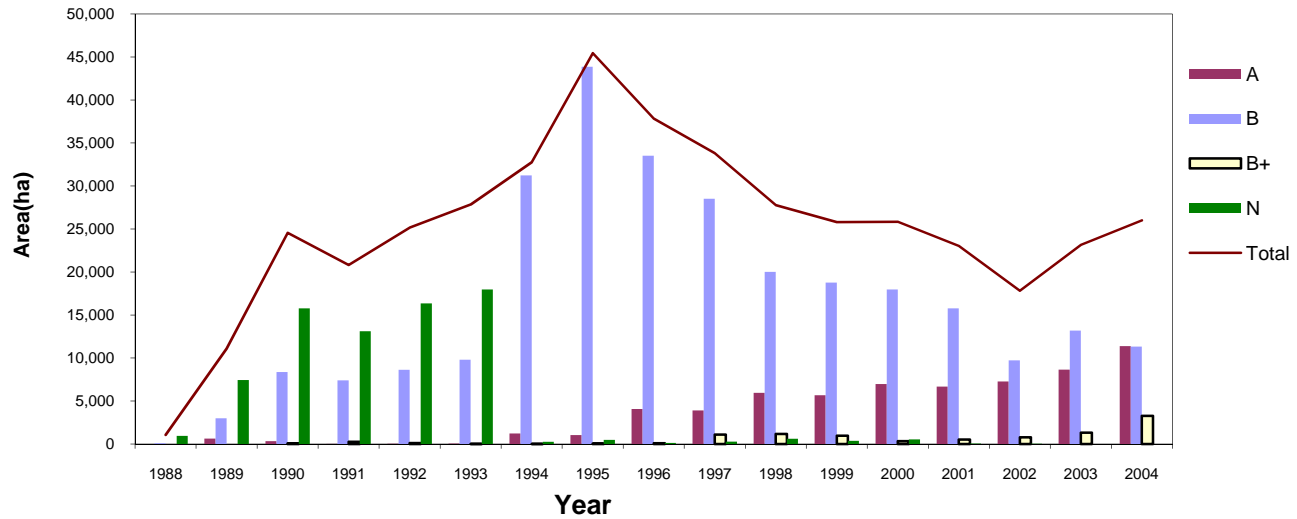
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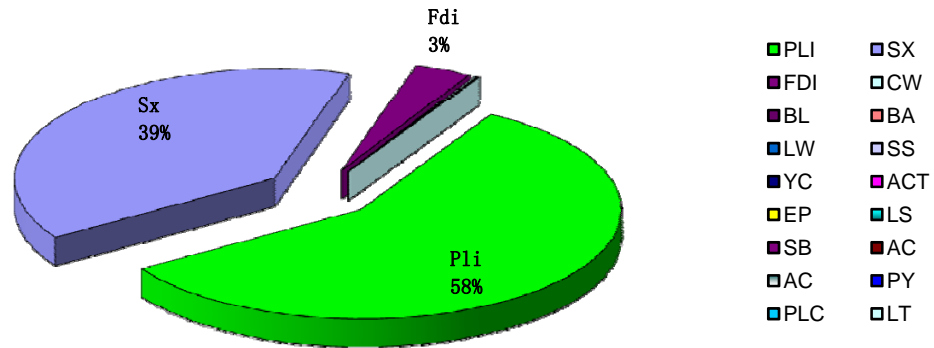
Total Area Treated (Planted) with Interior Spruce by Gene Class from 1988 to 2004, British Columbia



Total Area Treated (Planted) with Interior Spruce by Genetic Class and Year in SPZ_A_SX BVP, PG and PGN (1988-2004)

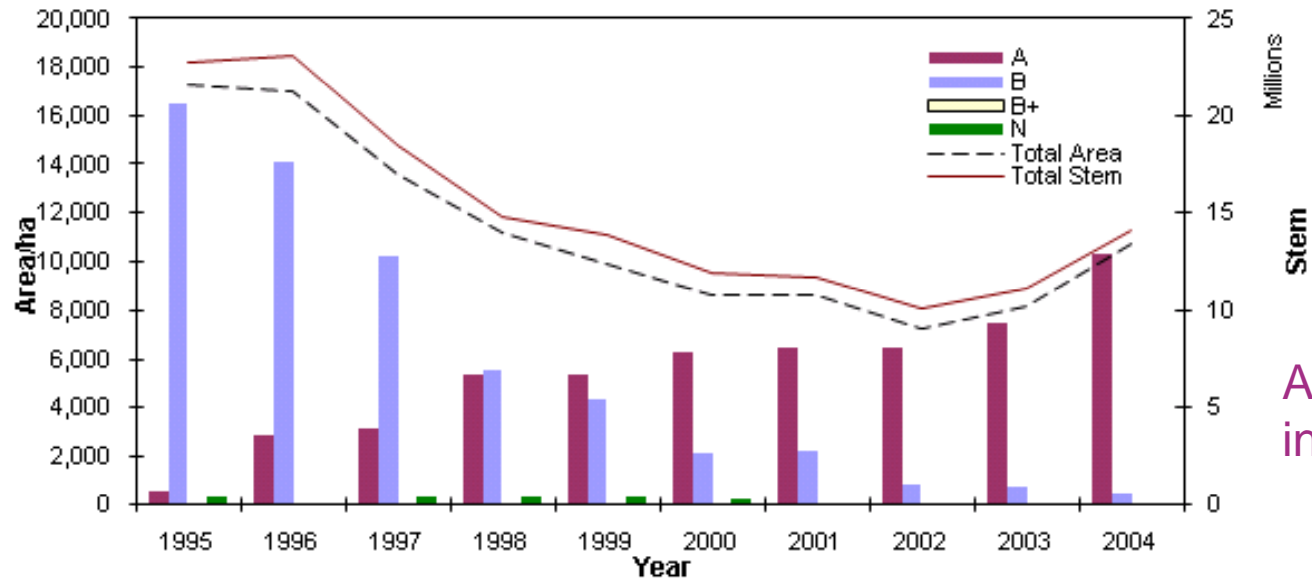


Comparison of Total Area Treated with All Species Reported in PG from 1995 to 2004



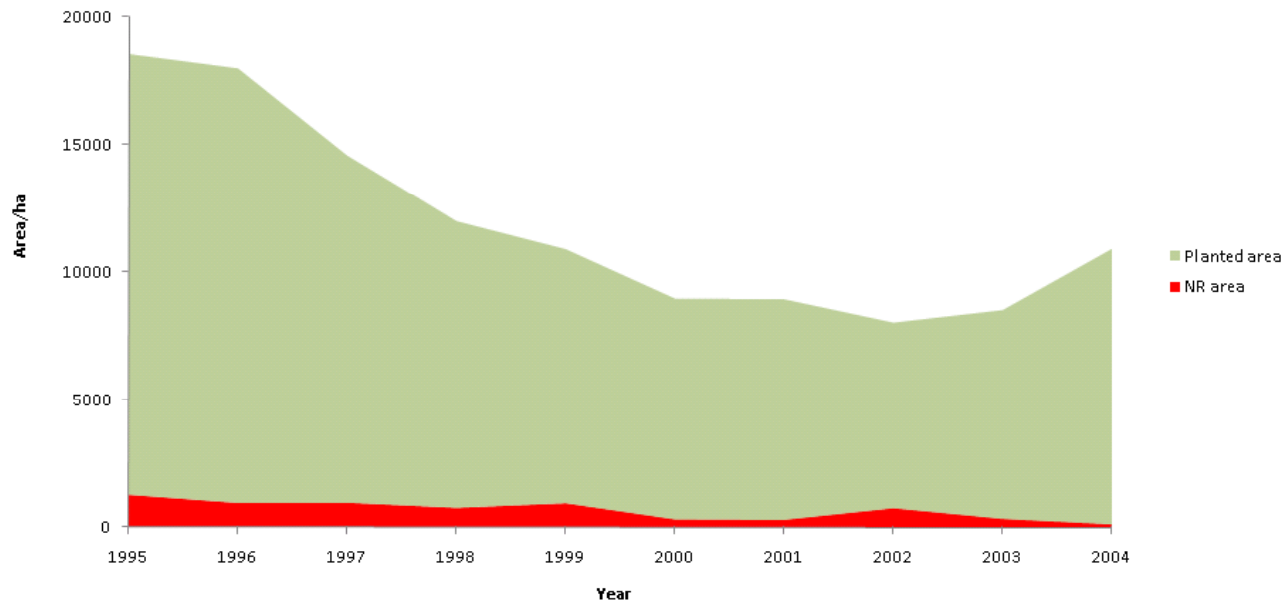
More A class use in Sx

Total Area Treated (Planted) with Interior Spruce and stems in SX PG SPZ-A by Gene Class and Year(1995-2004)

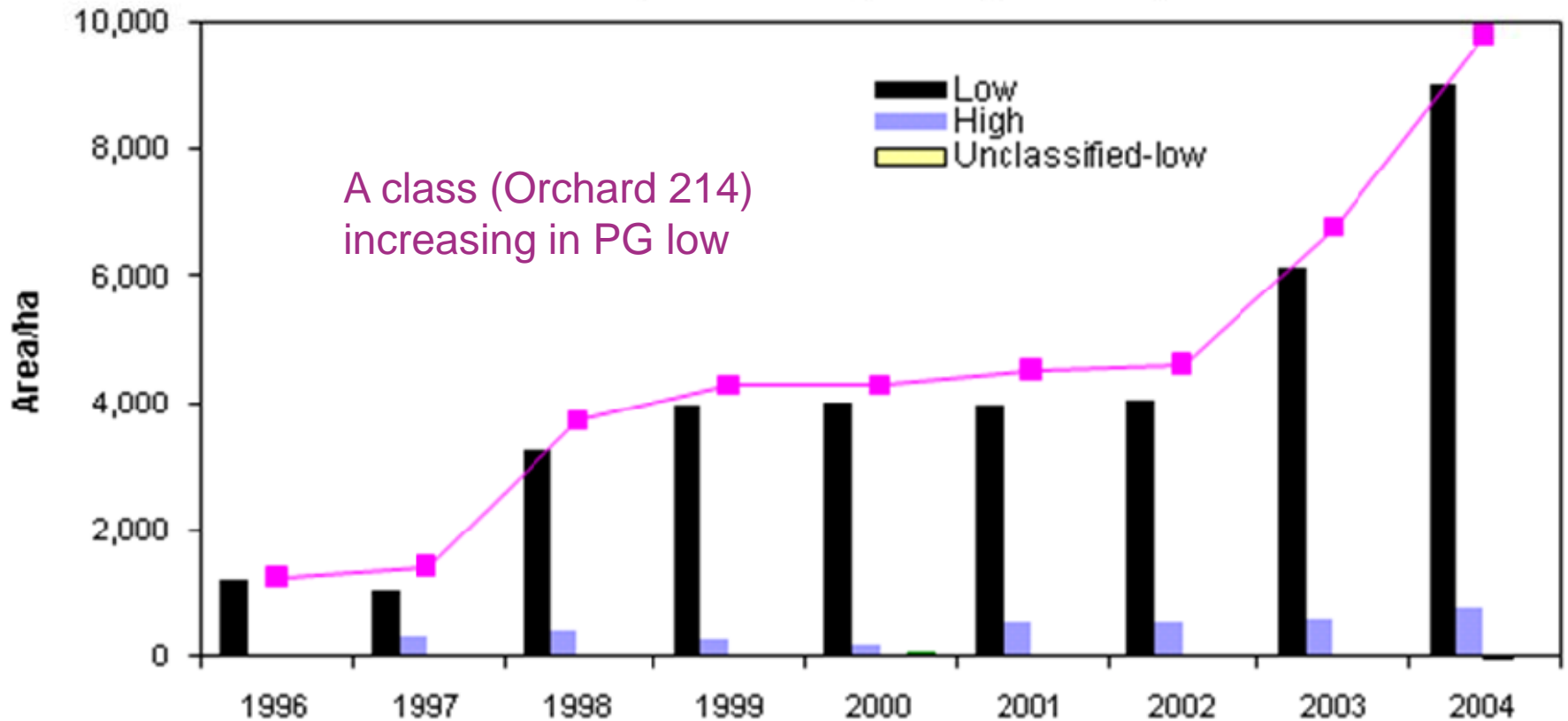


A class increasing

Total Area Naturally Regenerated and Treated with Interior Spruce in SX PG SPZ-A by Year (1995-2004)



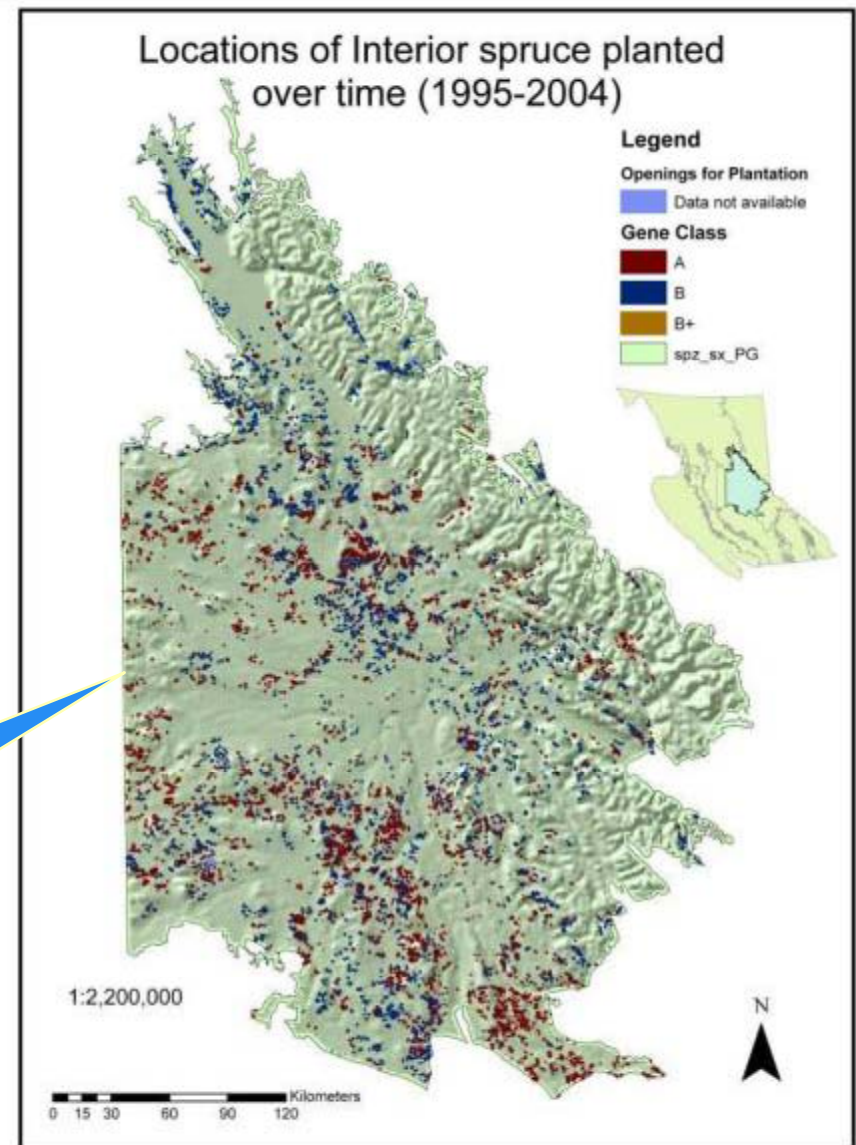
Total Area Treated (Planted) with Interior Spruce (SO 214 Seeds) in SX PG SPZ-A by SPU and by Year (1996-2004)



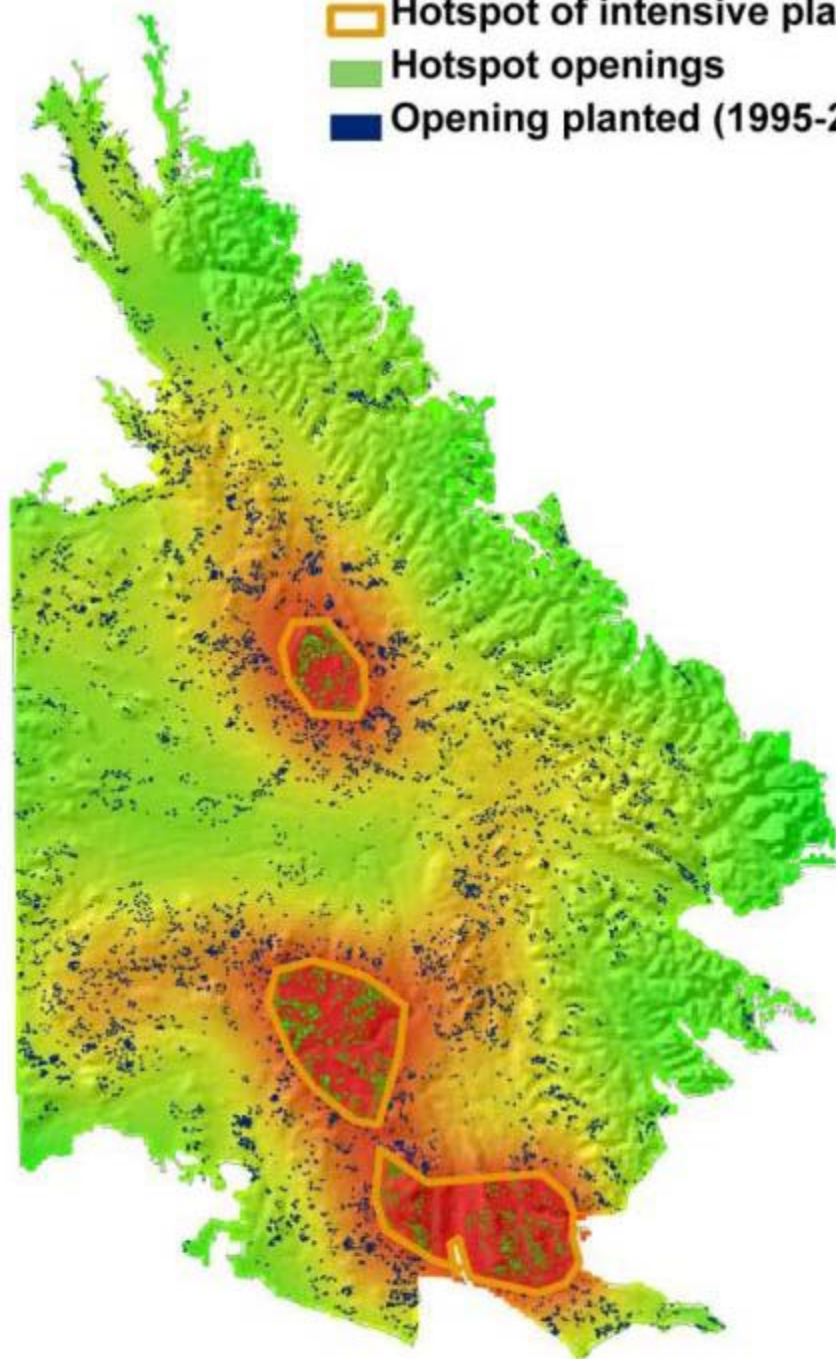
Mapping seed deployment

- Total area treated (planted) with interior spruce in SX PG SPZ-A by year from 1995 to 2004

Representing 39% of all species plantation area in PG SPZ.



- Hotspot of intensive plantation
- Hotspot openings
- Opening planted (1995-2004)



Conclusion

- ❖ The genetic resources improved,
 - A class increasing,
 - Exceeding the 75% goal in PG SPZ.
- ❖ Effective GRM monitoring and assessment.
- ❖ The tracking method is applicable for different species and multiple zones.
- ❖ Potential impacts of clustering,
 - Environmental conditions.
 - More genetics attributes.
- ❖ Long-term data management.



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