Urban Tree Inventory
2022 Edition

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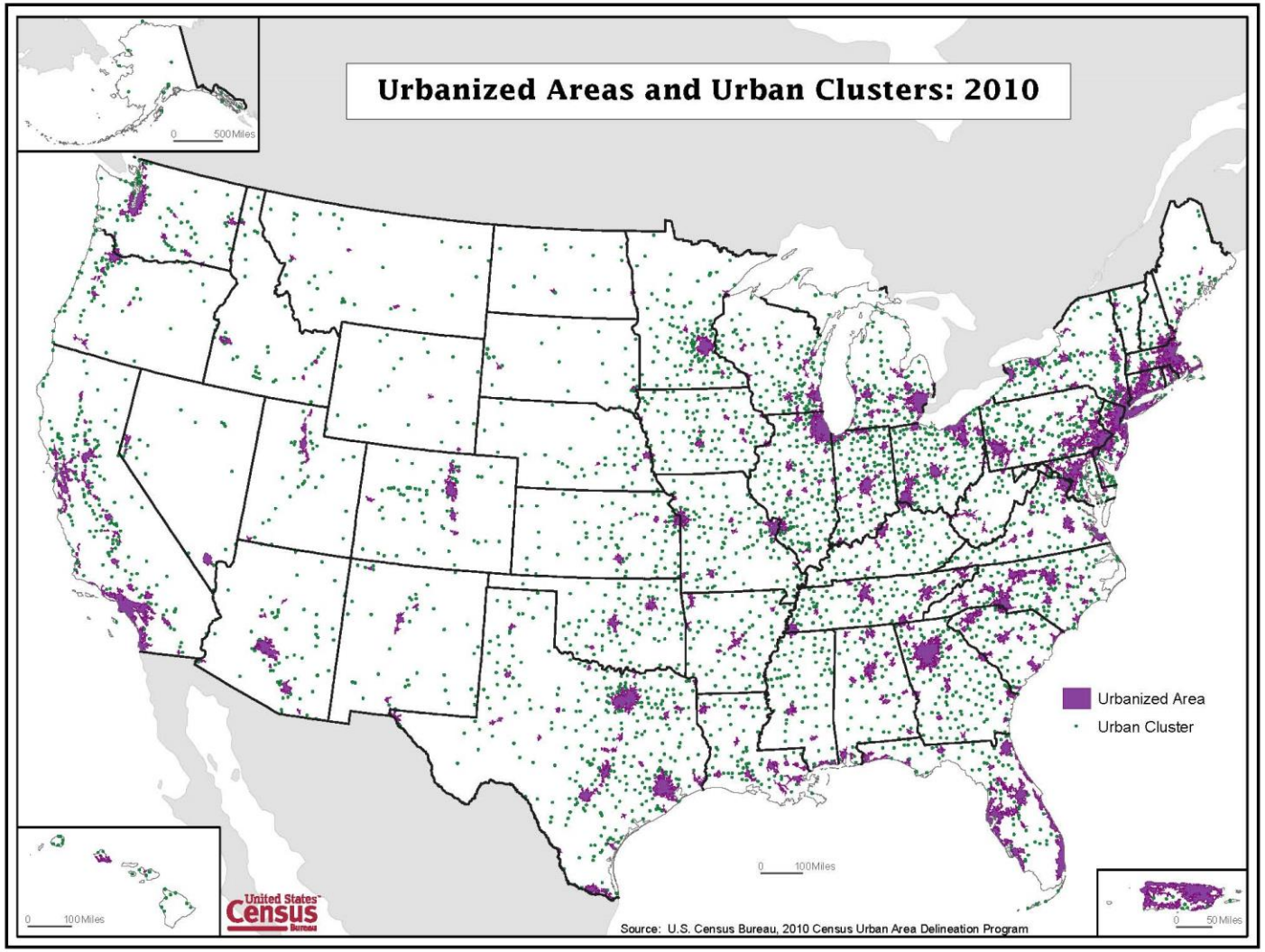
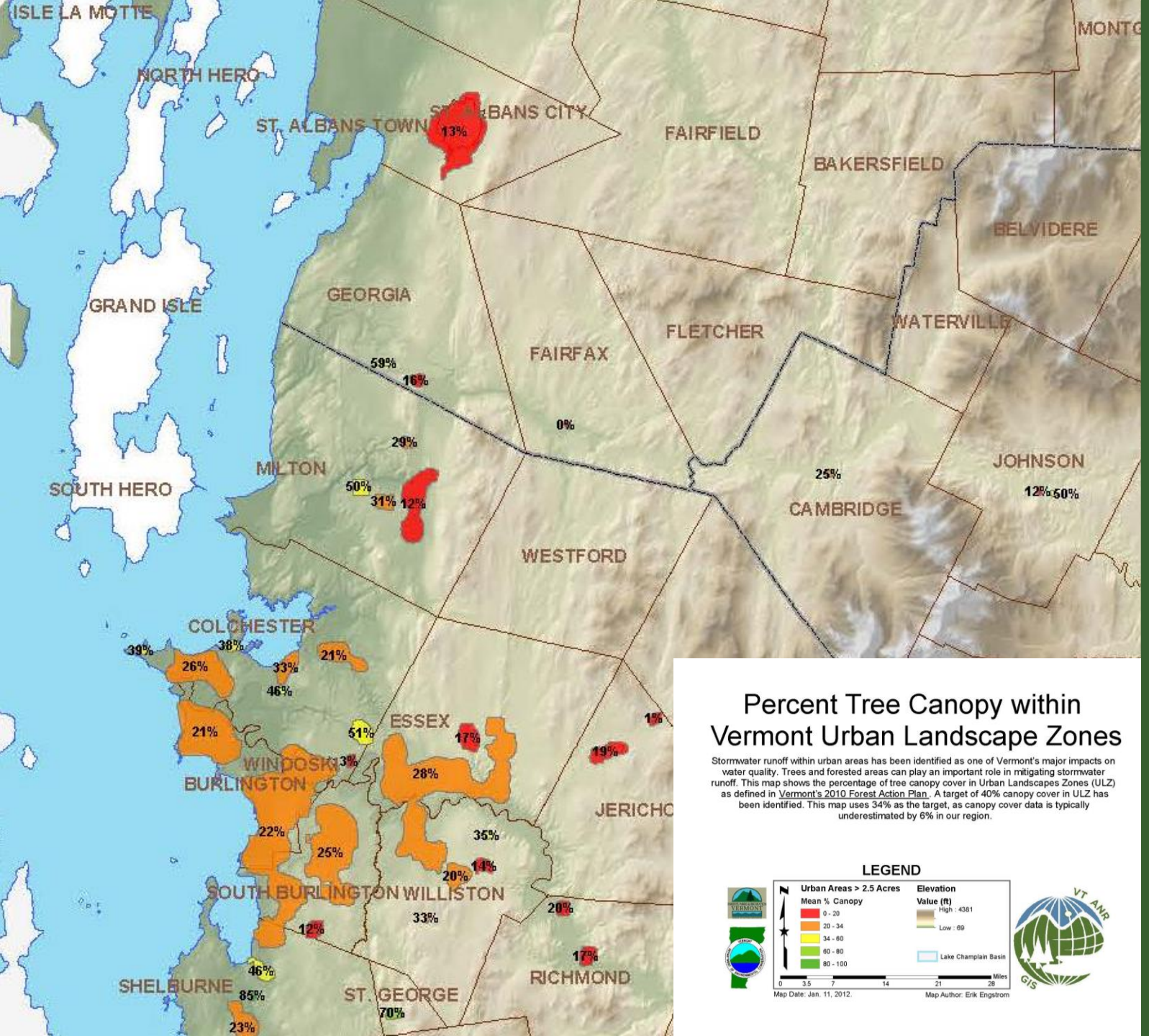


Urban Forestry in the United States

What is urban?

- ~ 3% of U.S. land area is considered “urban area”
- ~ 80% of U.S. population lives in an urban area
- 12% growth in U.S. urban area population between 2000-2012



Percent Tree Canopy within Vermont Urban Landscape Zones

Stormwater runoff within urban areas has been identified as one of Vermont's major impacts on water quality. Trees and forested areas can play an important role in mitigating stormwater runoff. This map shows the percentage of tree canopy cover in Urban Landscapes Zones (ULZ) as defined in Vermont's 2010 Forest Action Plan. A target of 40% canopy cover in ULZ has been identified. This map uses 34% as the target, as canopy cover data is typically underestimated by 6% in our region.

Vermont's Urban Forests

- Over 243,000 (38.9%) of Vermonters live within a defined Urban Area, described as having:
  - high population density
  - high impervious surface area
  - low tree canopy cover
- There are approximately 12 million urban trees in Vermont's downtowns that provide an average canopy cover of 31% of urban land area.

What does “urban and community forest stewardship” look like in Vermont?

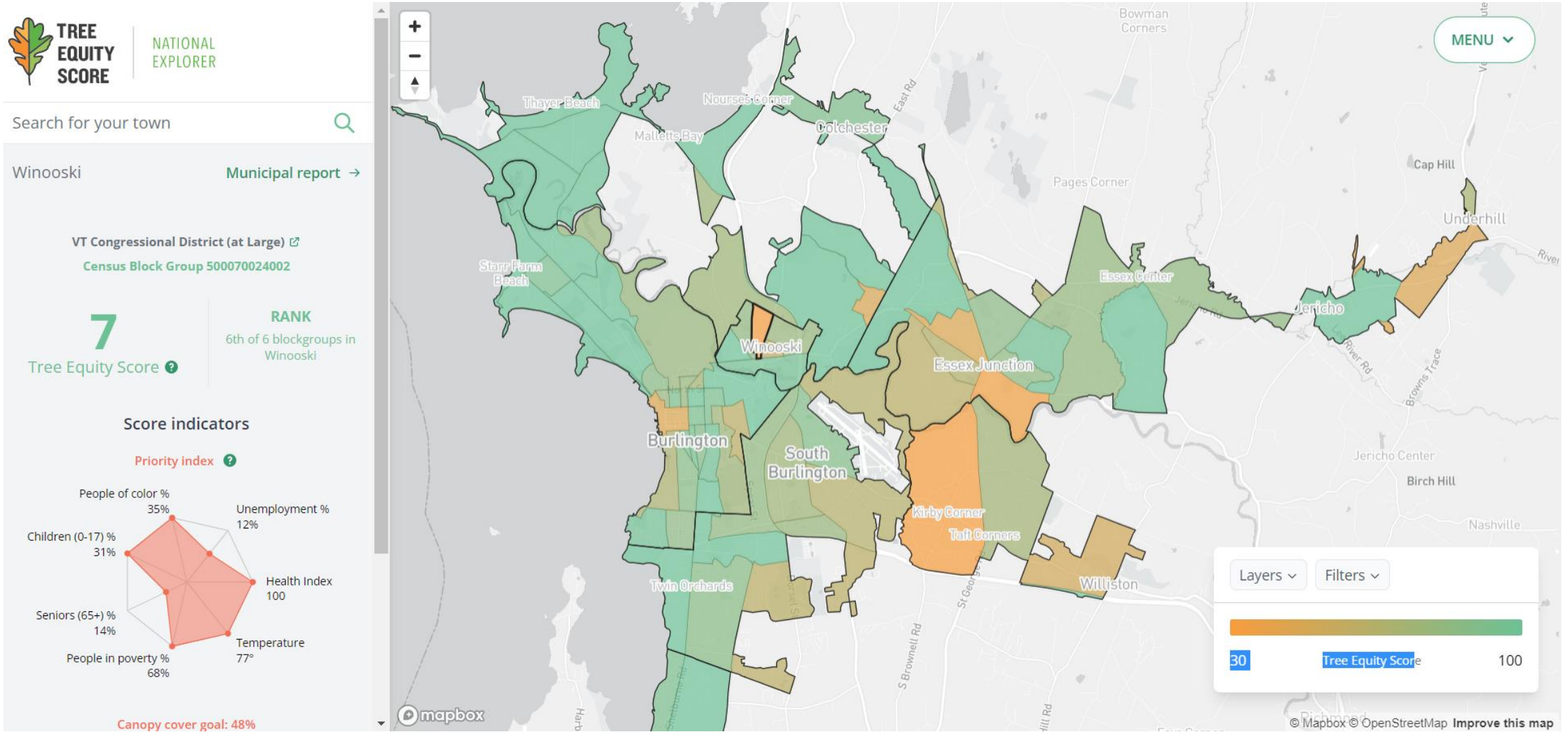
9 Tree City USA Communities

- City of Burlington (28 years)
- Village of Essex Junction (7 years)
- Town of Hartford (19 years)
- Town of Middlebury (4 years)
- City of Montpelier (20 years)
- City of Rutland (30 years)
- City of South Burlington (14 years)
- Town of Shelburne (5 years)
- City of Winooski (3 years)

Homegrown Help

In 2022:

- municipal volunteers provided 10,250 hours of work (that we know of!)
- over 100 communities are developing or managing an urban & community forestry program
- over 129 communities received UCF Assistance


TREE EQUITY SCORE
NATIONAL EXPLORER
Search for your town
Winooski
Municipal report →
VT Congressional District (at Large)
Census Block Group 500070024002
7
Tree Equity Score
RANK
6th of 6 blockgroups in Winooski
Score indicators
Priority index
People of color % 35%
Unemployment % 12%
Children (0-17) % 31%
Health Index 100
Seniors (65+) % 14%
Temperature 77°
People in poverty % 68%
Canopy cover goal: 48%
MENU
Layers
Filters
30
Tree Equity Score
100
Thayer Beach
Nouvel's Corner
Colchester
Malletts Bay
Bowman Corners
East Rd
Pages Corner
Cap Hill
Underhill
Starr Farm Beach
Winooski
Essex Center
Essex Junction
Jericho
River Rd
Browns Trace
Burlington
South Burlington
Jericho Center
Birch Hill
Kirby Corner
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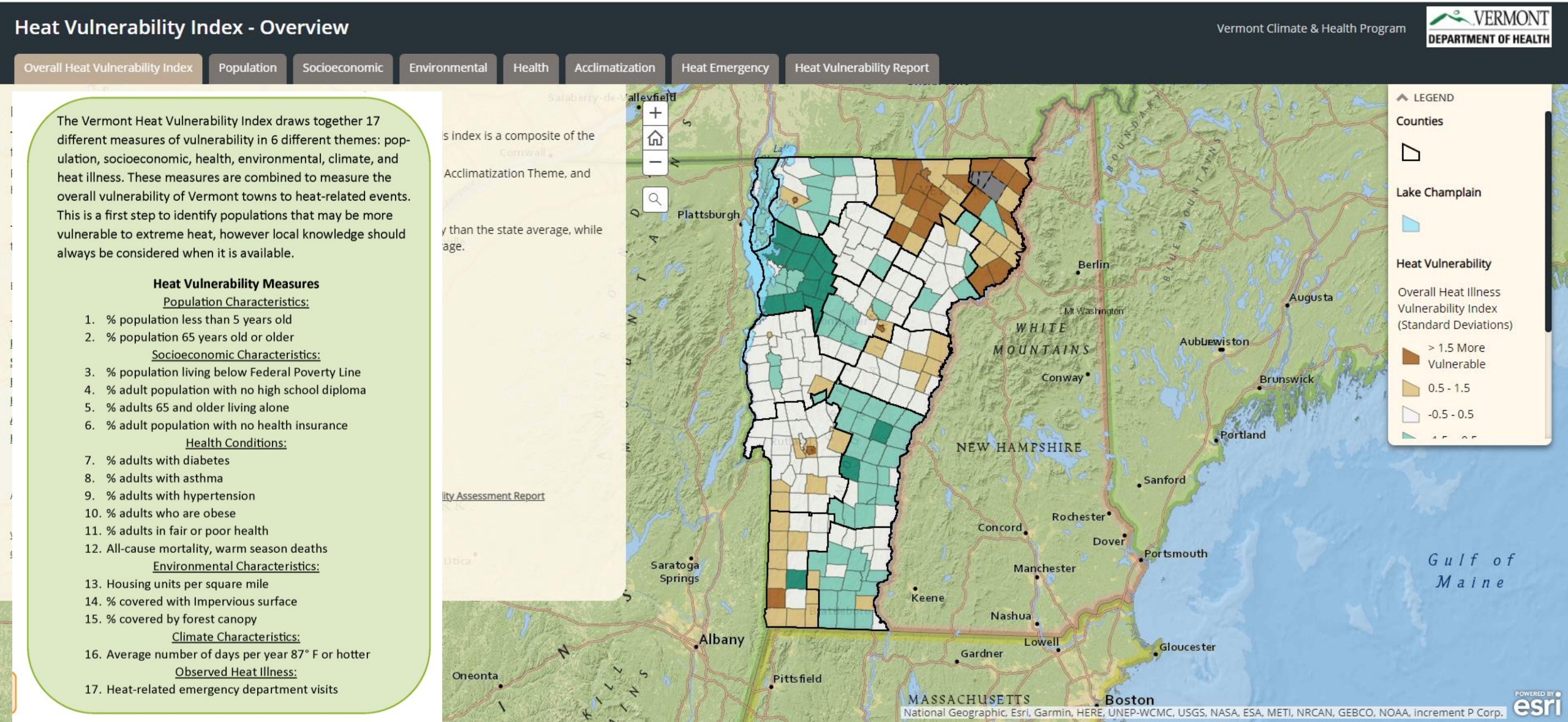

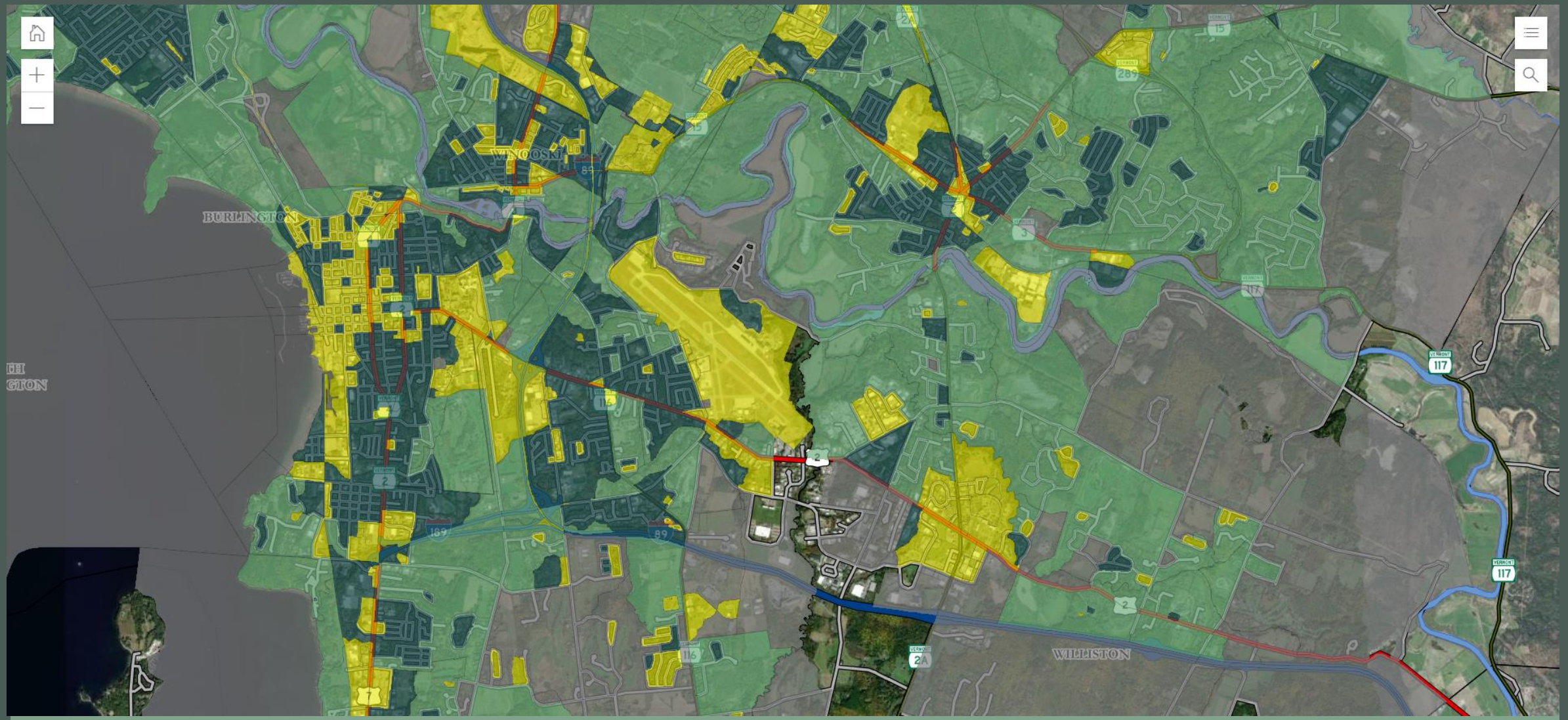

Tree Canopy Cover in Downtown Centers

Municipal Tree Inventory Tool

- First built in 2013 as part of a grant-funded initiative called Caring for the Urban Forest, VT UCF and ANR GIS built the tool utilizing ArcGIS Collector
- Twenty municipalities completed public tree inventories and a strategic tree management plan
- When the technology became available in 2017, nine towns received an Urban Tree Editor Tool, transitioning their inventory data from a snapshot in time to a live and manageable database
- In 2022, the tool needed an update to reflect user interests and new technology. ANR GIS promoted some of their newest technology to improve the utility of the tool and showcase powerful data filters.

Vermont Municipal Tree Inventory
Filter
Tree Species
Tree Condition
Tree Diameter
Vacant Trees
Trees to Remove
Tree Survey Date
Needs Consulting
Needs Maintenance
Trees to Monitor
Planting Date
Last Maintenance
Tree Management Types
Maintenance Requirements
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DEPOT ST
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100ft
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Maintenance Requirements
#64 - LYNDON - GREENSPACE - PARK
LITTLELEAF LINDEN in GOOD condition.
12-18" in diameter.
Inventoried on: 9/10/2015
Last Tree Health Survey: 5/6/2022
Last Tree Maintenance Survey: 5/6/2022
Needs Maintenance: YES
Private: Not Specified
Photo1.jpg
Zoom to
60ft
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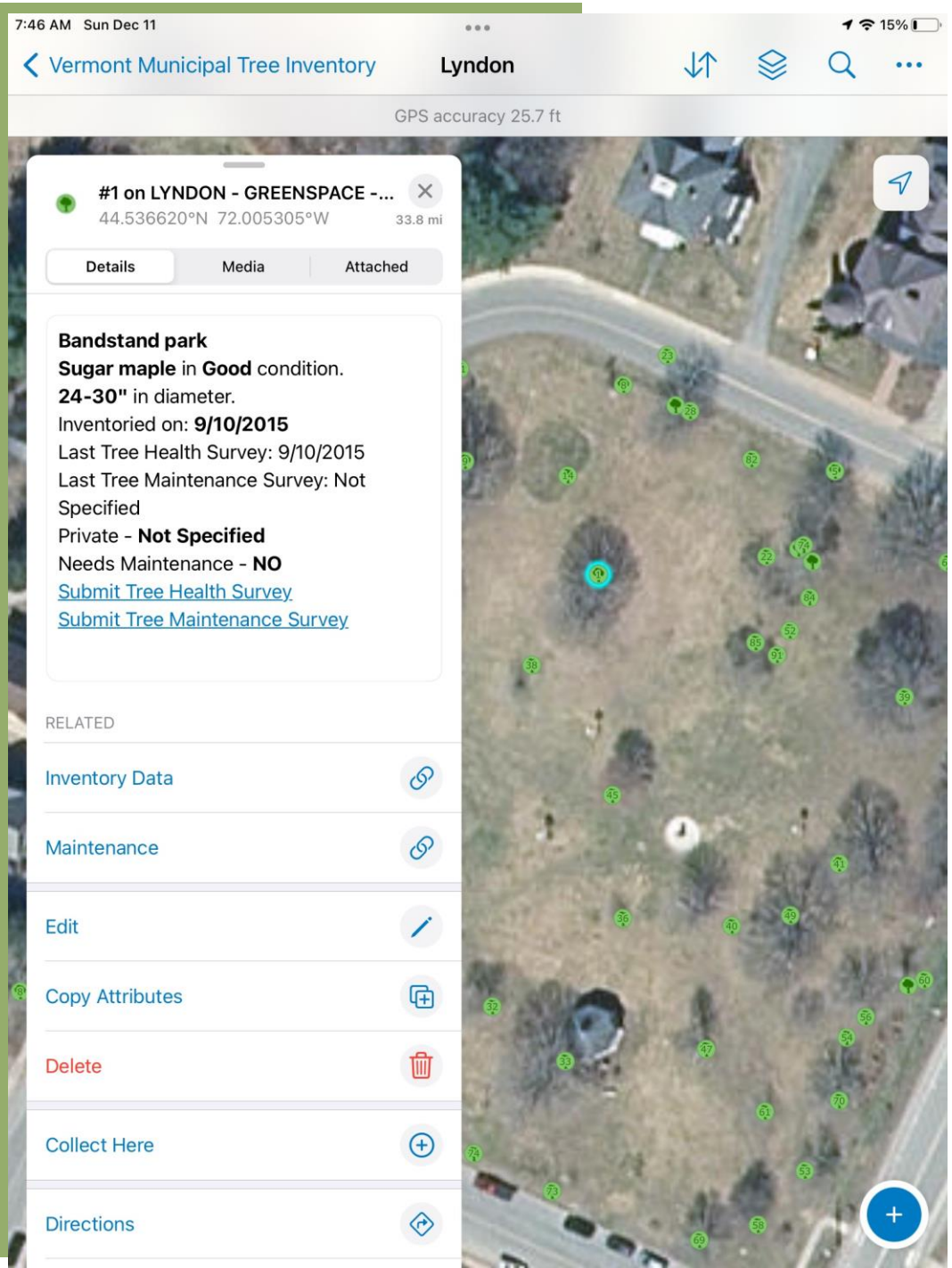
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Lyndon
GPS accuracy 25.7 ft
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33.8 mi
Details
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Attached
Bandstand park
Sugar maple in Good condition.
24-30" in diameter.
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Submit Tree Health Survey
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Inventory Data
Maintenance
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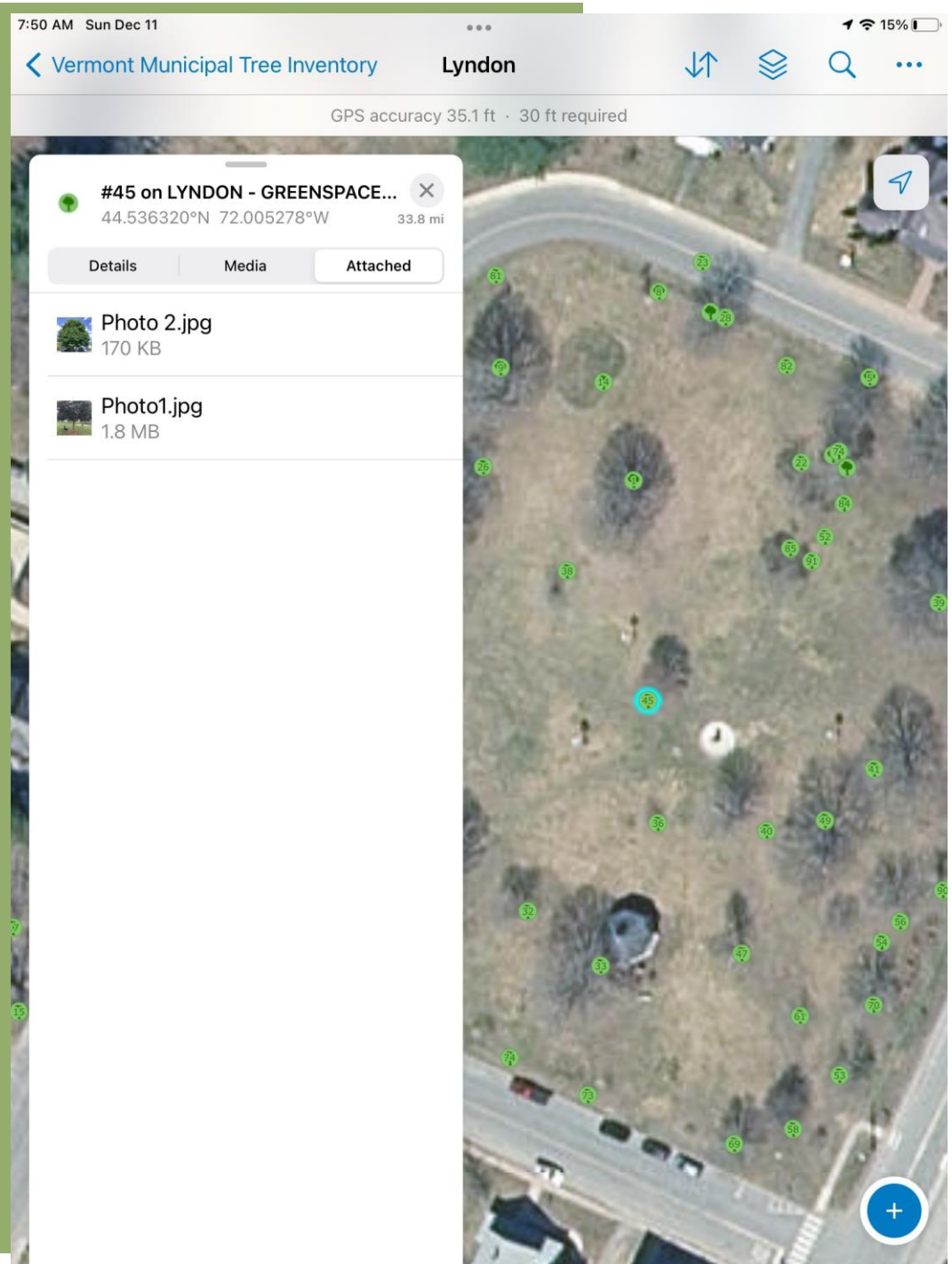
Directions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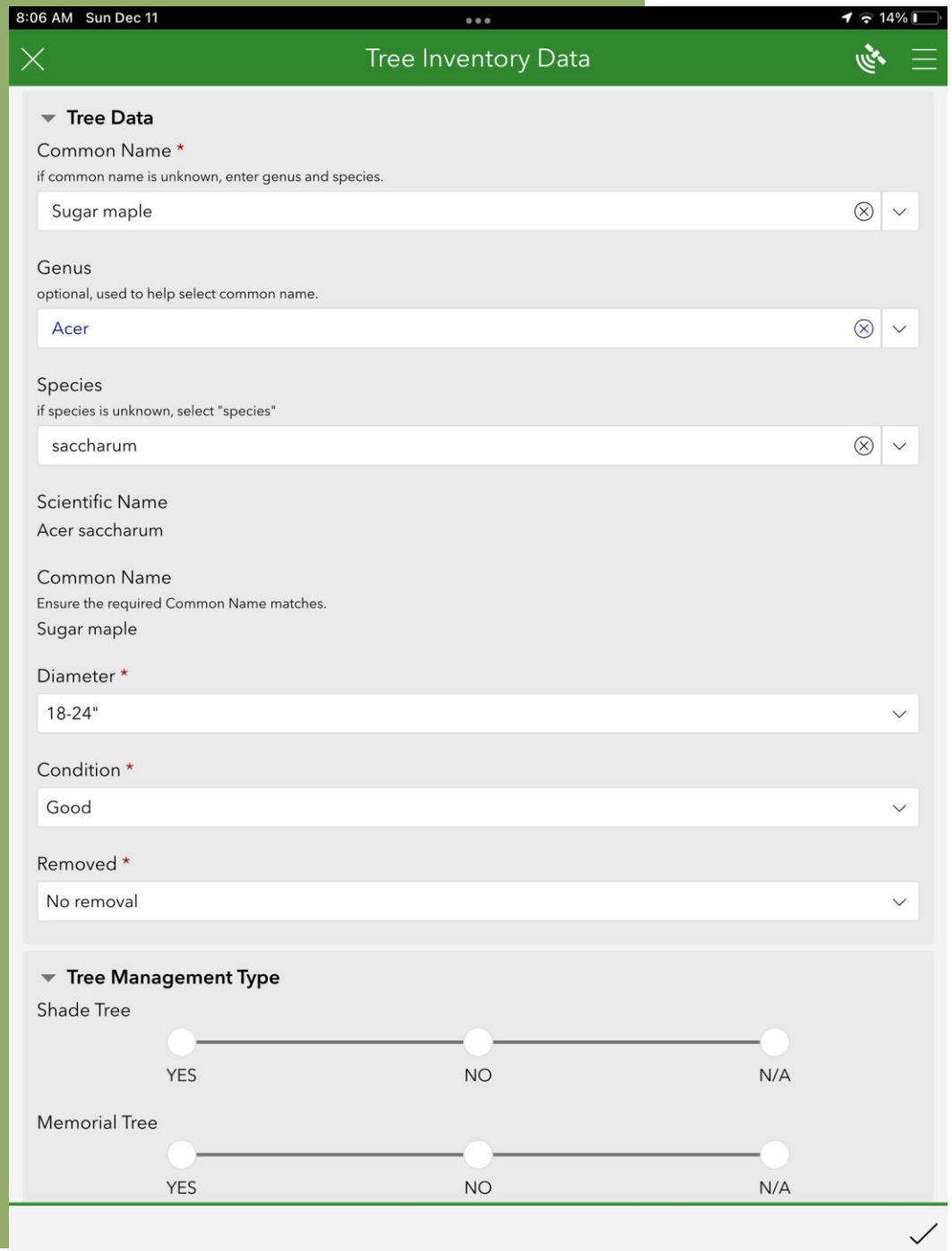
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Genus
optional, used to help select common name.
Acer
Species
if species is unknown, select "species"
saccharum
Scientific Name
Acer saccharum
Common Name
Ensure the required Common Name matches.
Sugar maple
Diameter *
18-24"
Condition *
Good
Removed *
No removal
Tree Management Type
Shade Tree
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Memorial Tree
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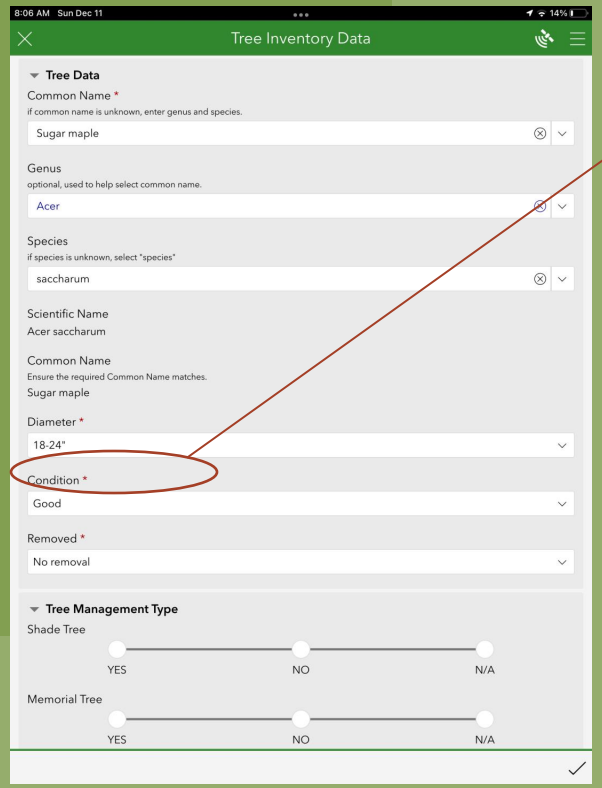
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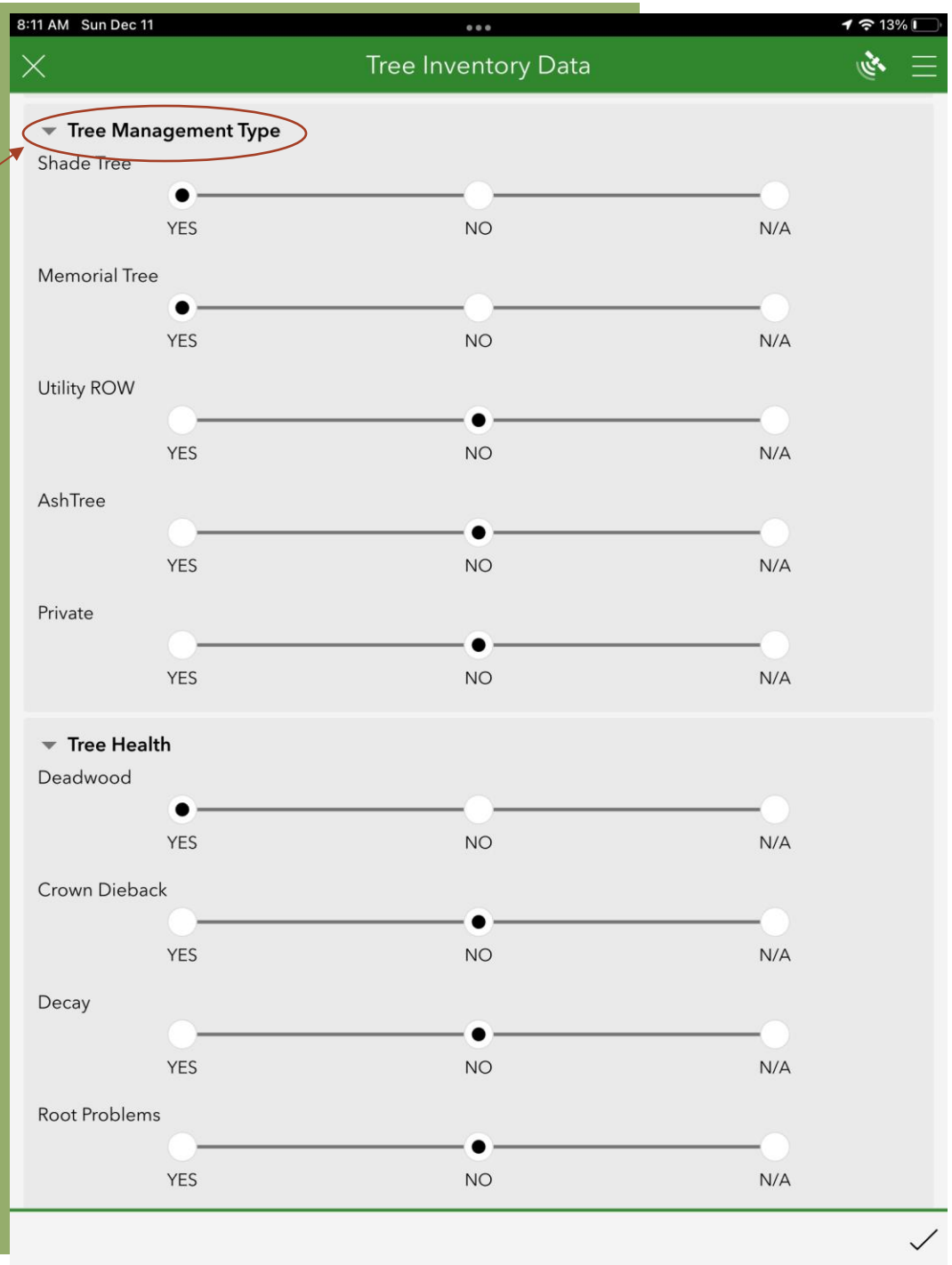
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Tree Health
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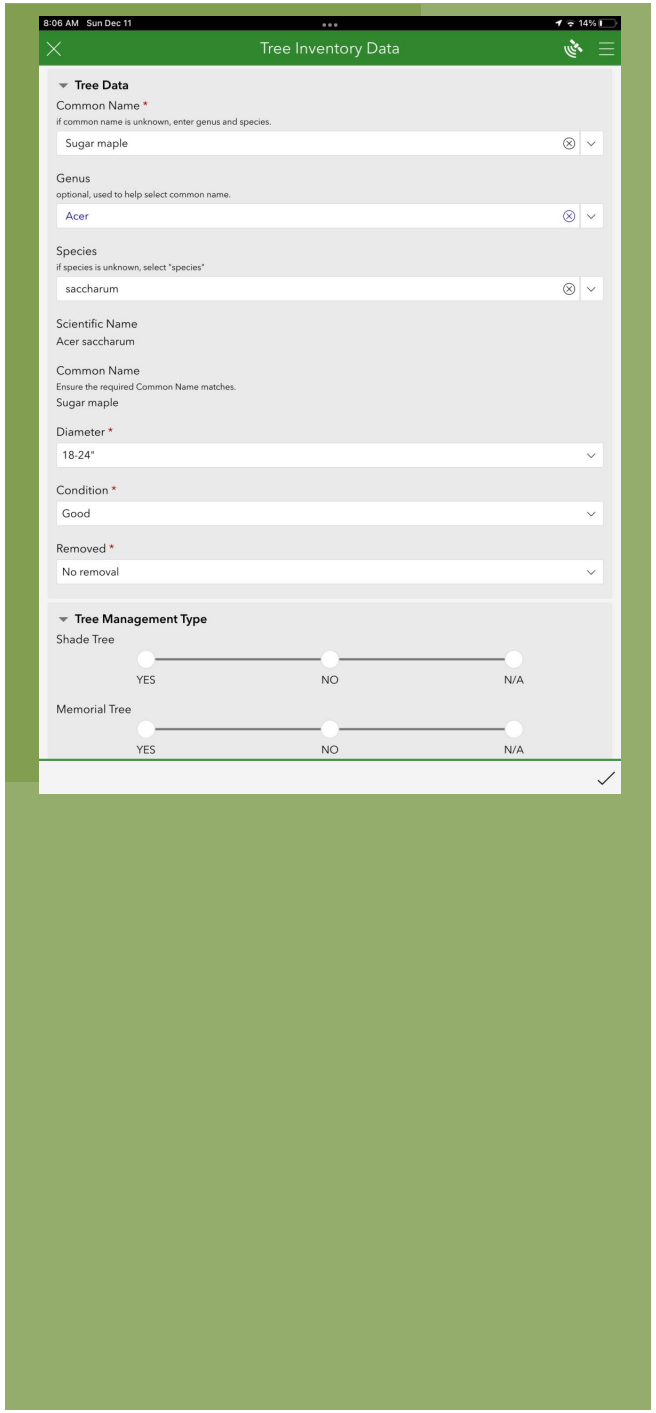
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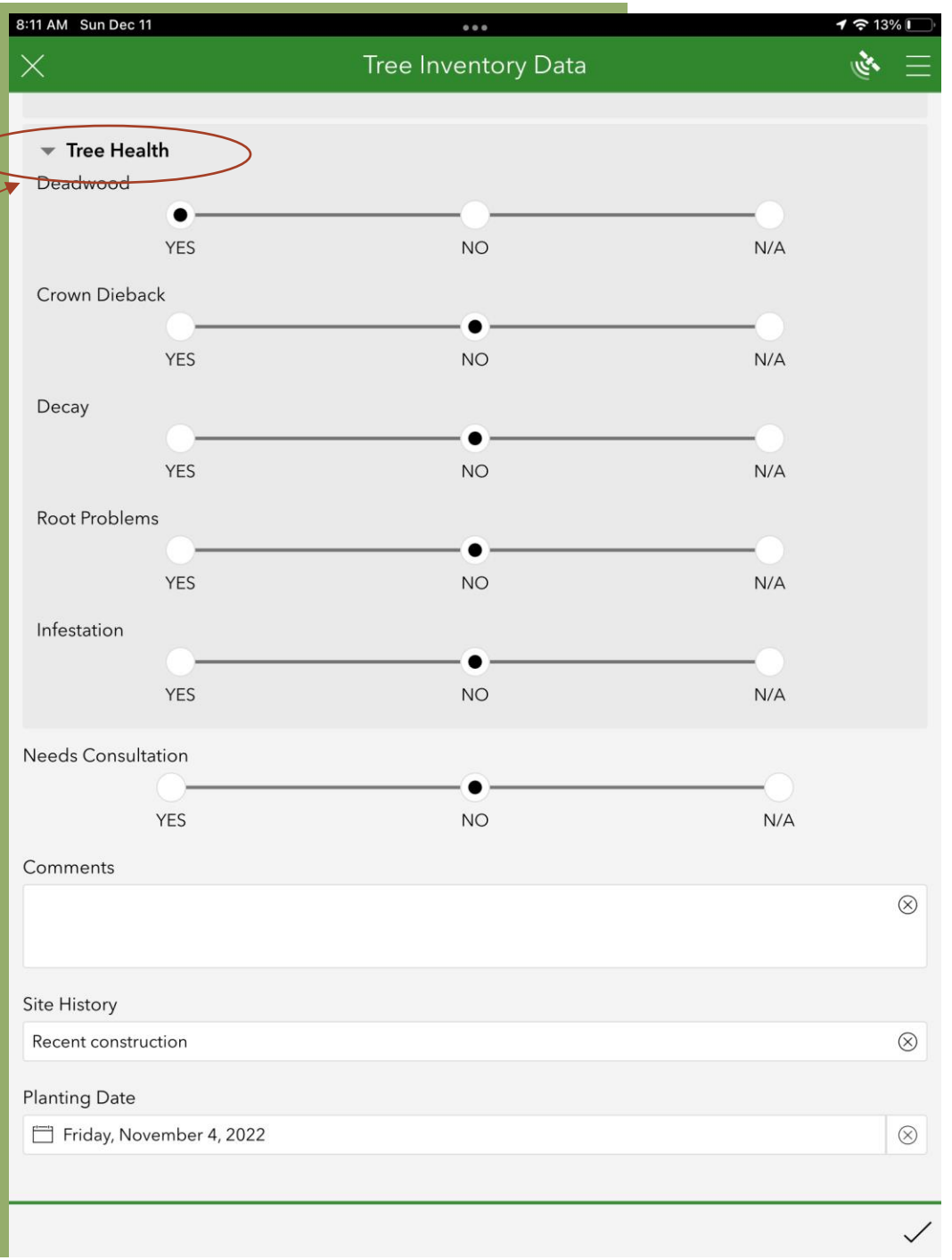
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Needs Consultation
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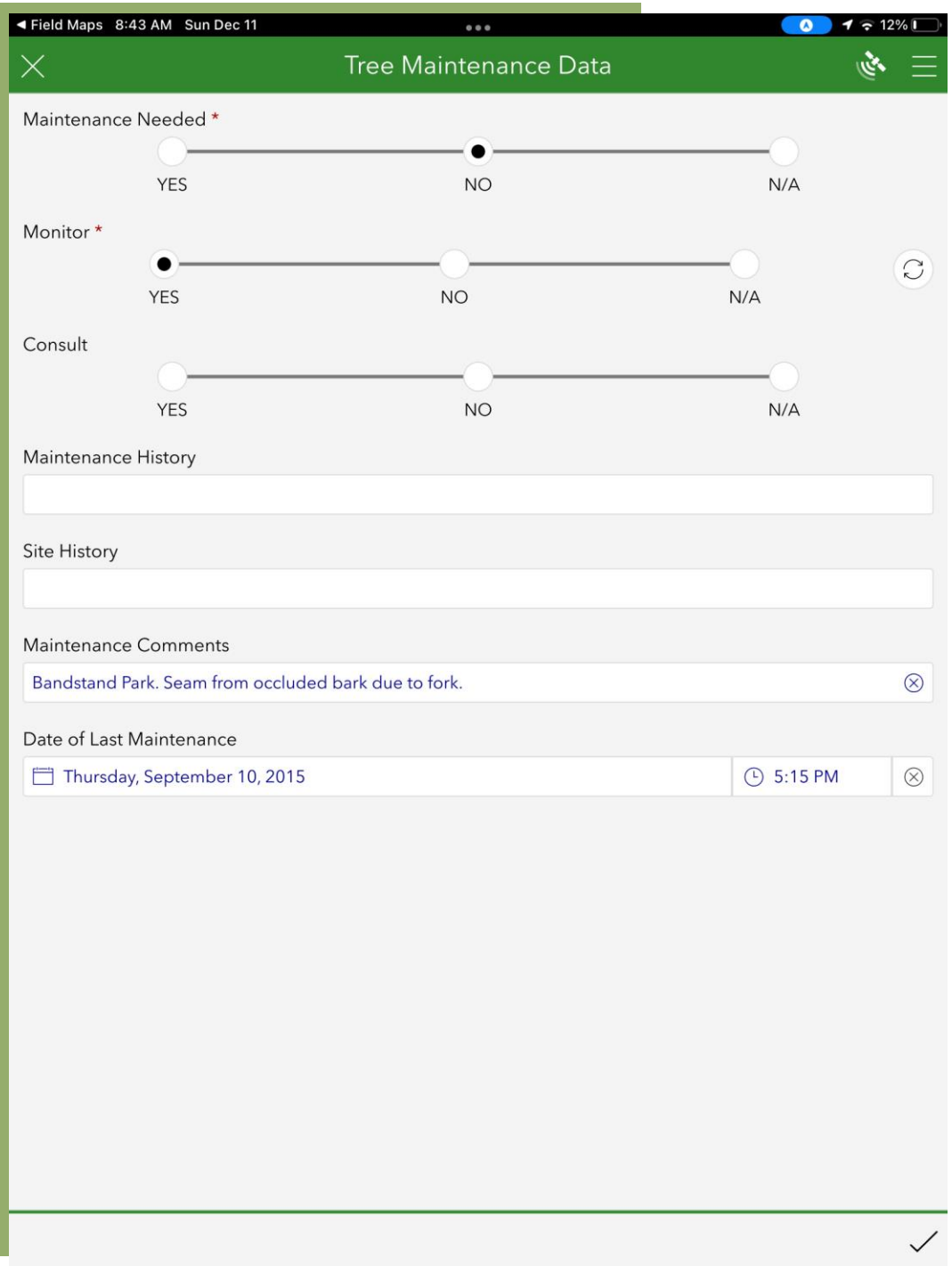
Comments
Site History
Recent construction
Planting Date
Friday, November 4, 2022

Inventory Complete!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Tree Maintenance Data
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Monitor *
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Consult
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Maintenance History
Site History
Maintenance Comments
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Date of Last Maintenance
Thursday, September 10, 2015
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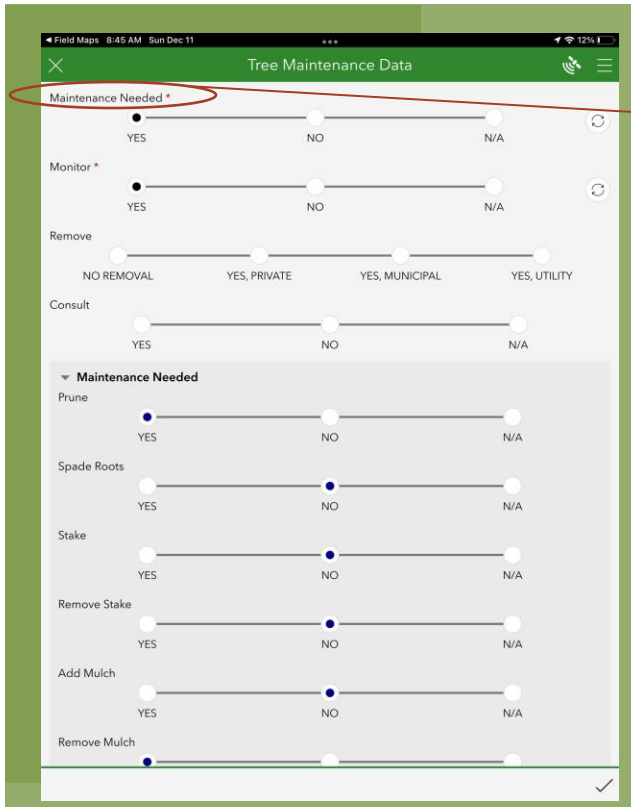
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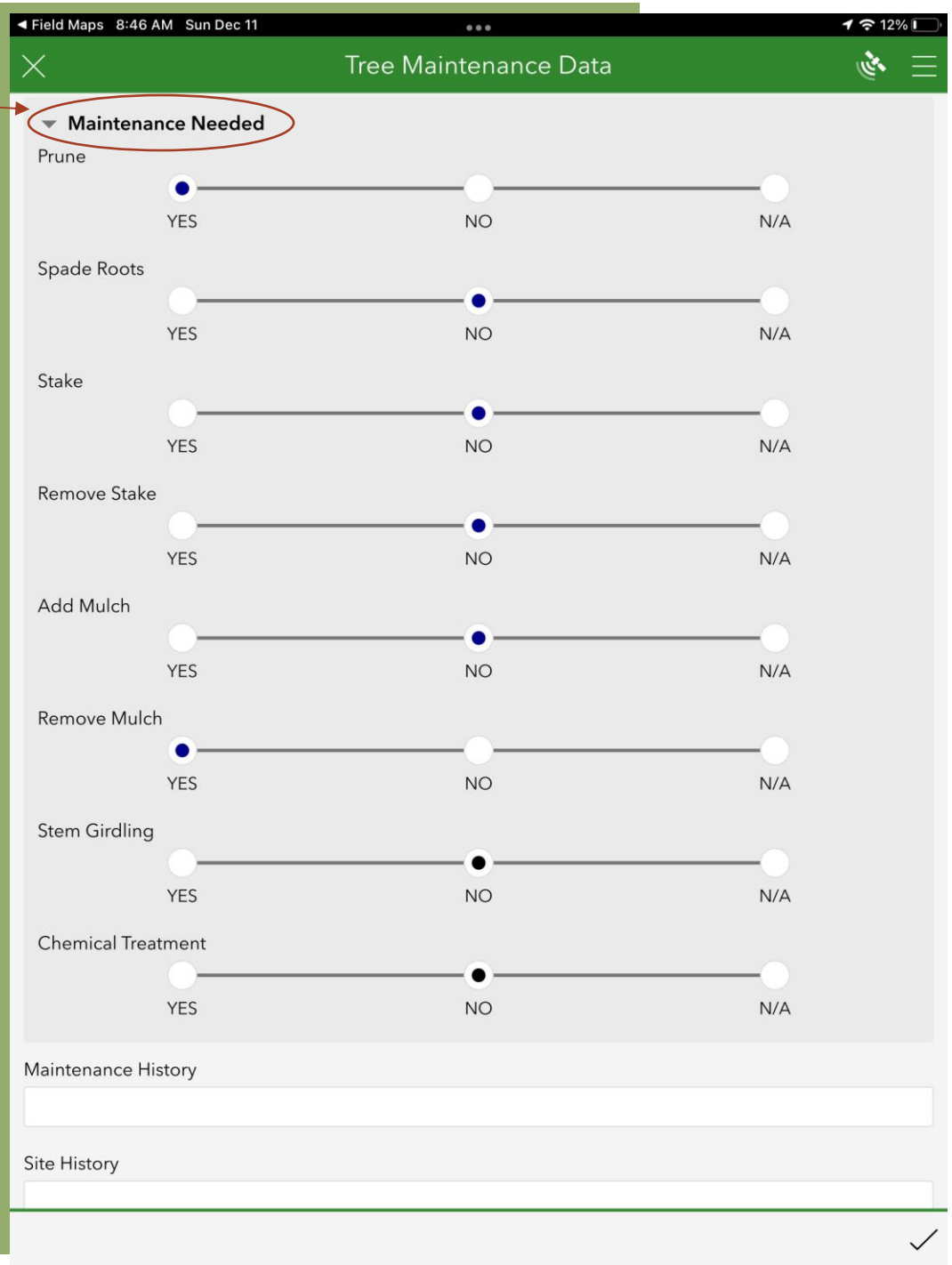
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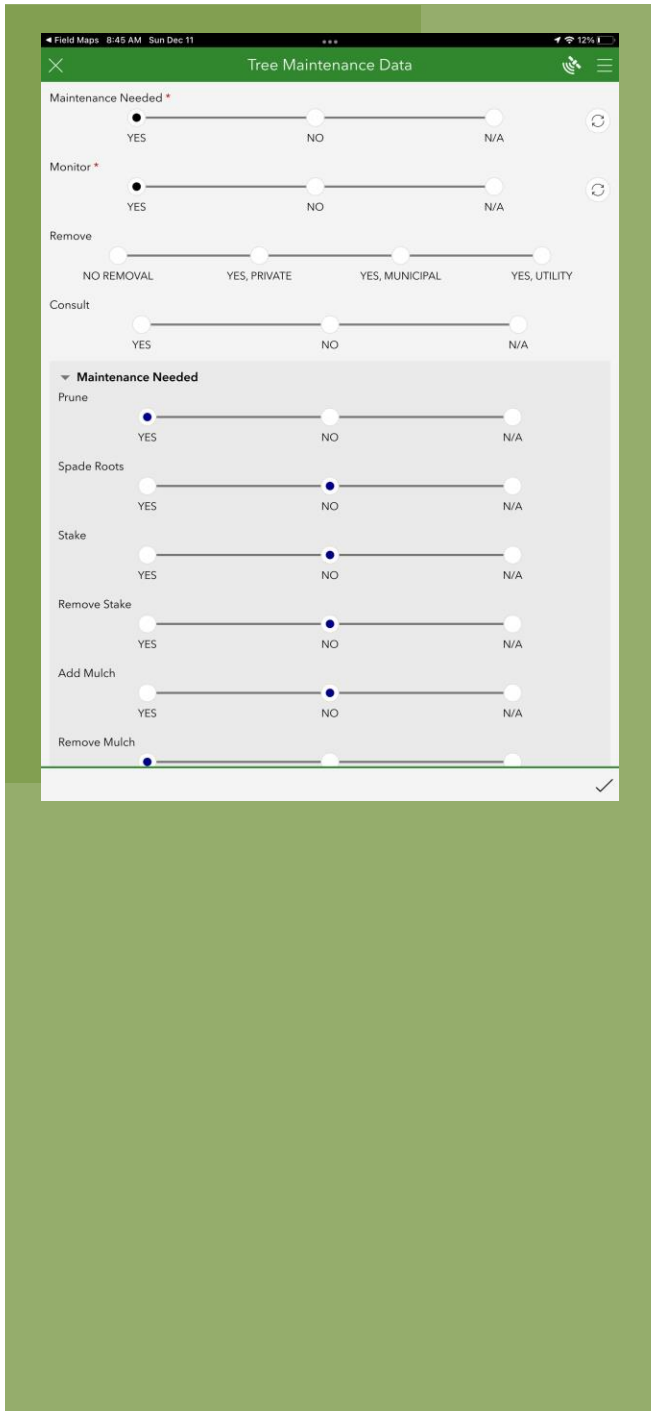
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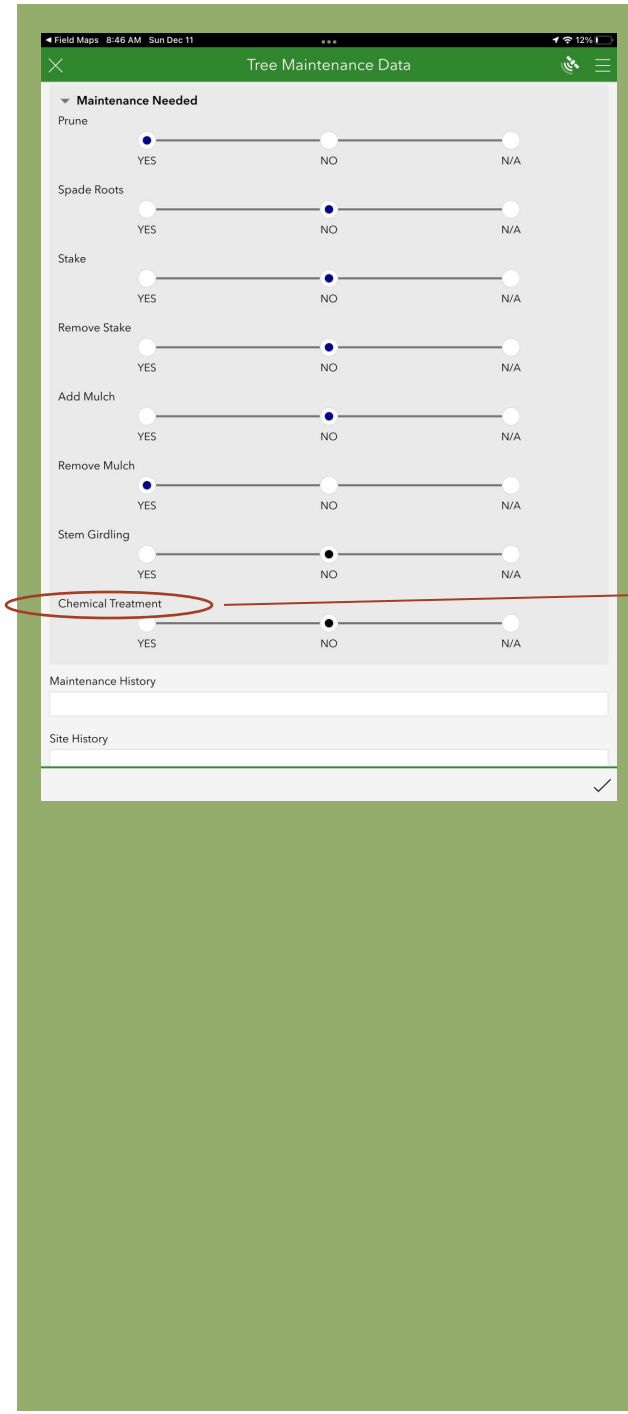
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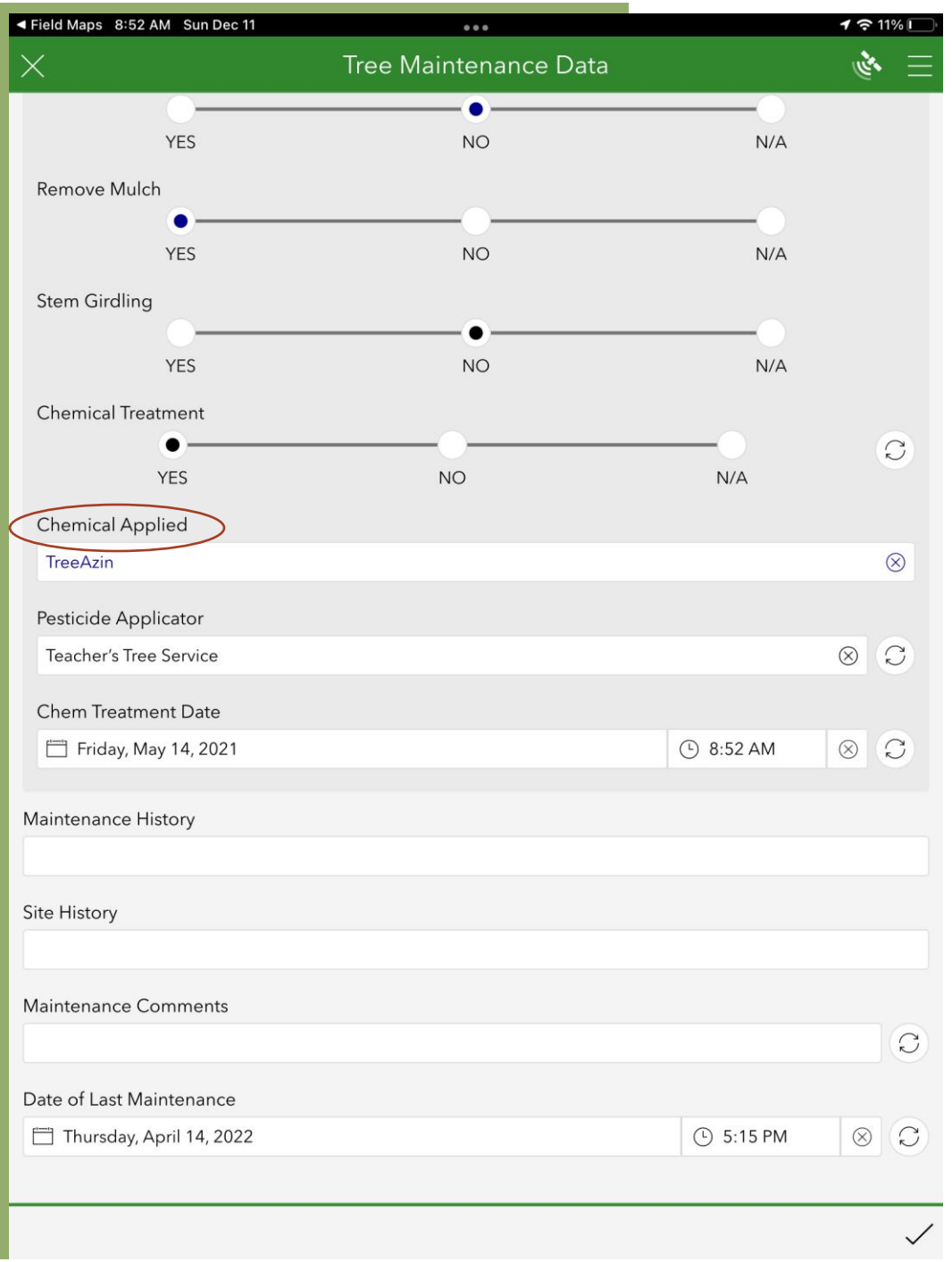
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Chemical Treatment
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Chemical Applied
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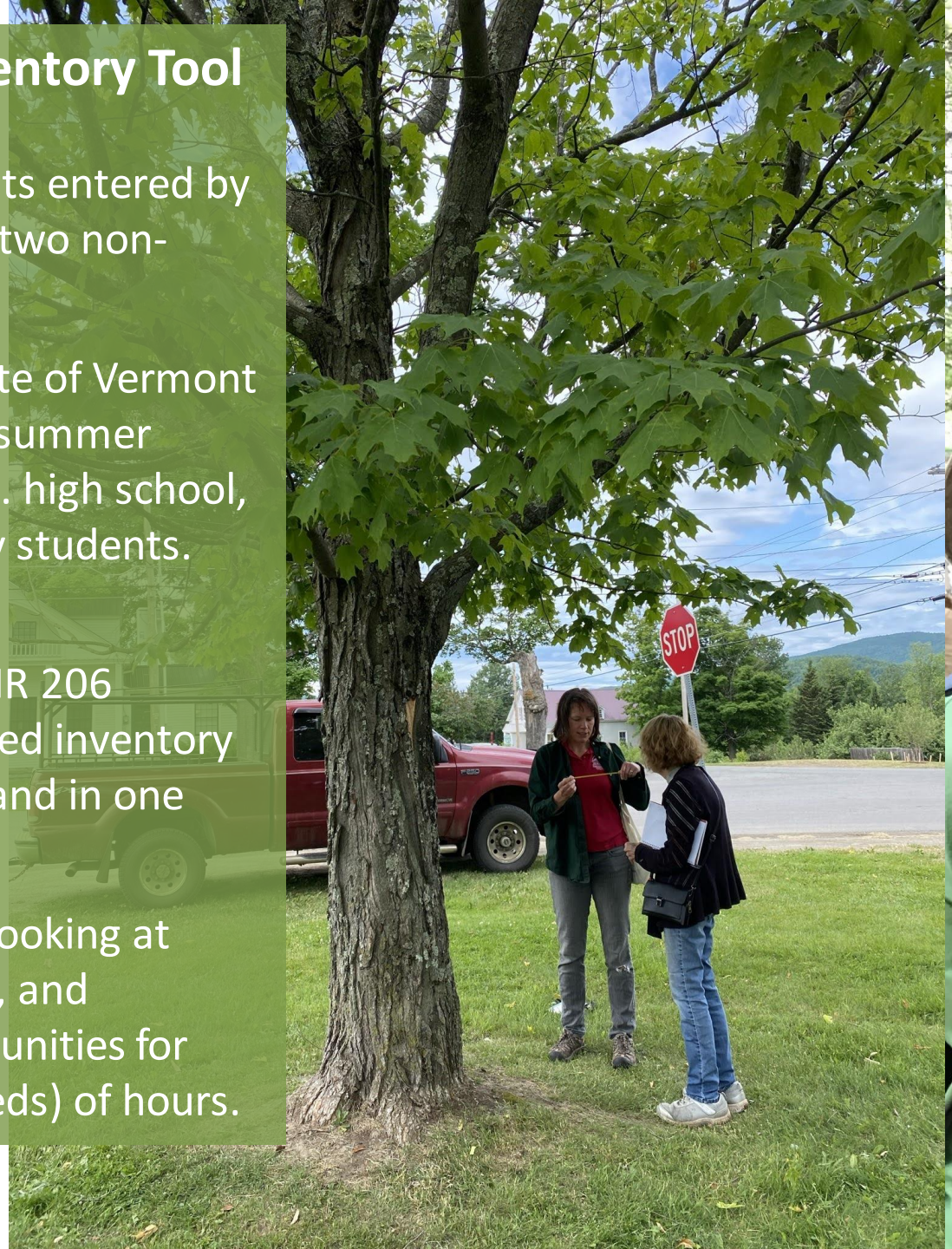
Pesticide Applicator
Teacher's Tree Service
Chem Treatment Date
Friday, May 14, 2021
8:52 AM
Maintenance History
Site History
Maintenance Comments
Date of Last Maintenance
Thursday, April 14, 2022
5:15 PM

Maintenance Inventory Complete!

Municipal Tree Inventory Tool

- Over 24,000 data points entered by 34 municipalities and two non-profits.
- Data is entered by State of Vermont foresters, volunteers, summer interns, middle school. high school, college, and university students.
- University of Vermont undergraduate class NR 206 completed and analyzed inventory in two municipalities and in one mobile home park.
- Gets people outside, looking at trees, talking to locals, and observing their communities for hundreds (and hundreds) of hours.



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- Brandon (2021-2022)
- Brattleboro (2015)
- Bristol (2014)
- Burlington (2014)
- Charlotte (2016-2022)
- Chester (2016)
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- Newport City (2016)
- Northfield (2014)
- Old Stone House Museum (2021-2022)
- Plainfield (2015)
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- Springfield (2015)
- St. Albans City (2015)
- St. Albans Town (2015)
- Stowe (2016)
- Swanton (2014)
- Thetford (2018)
- Vergennes (2014)
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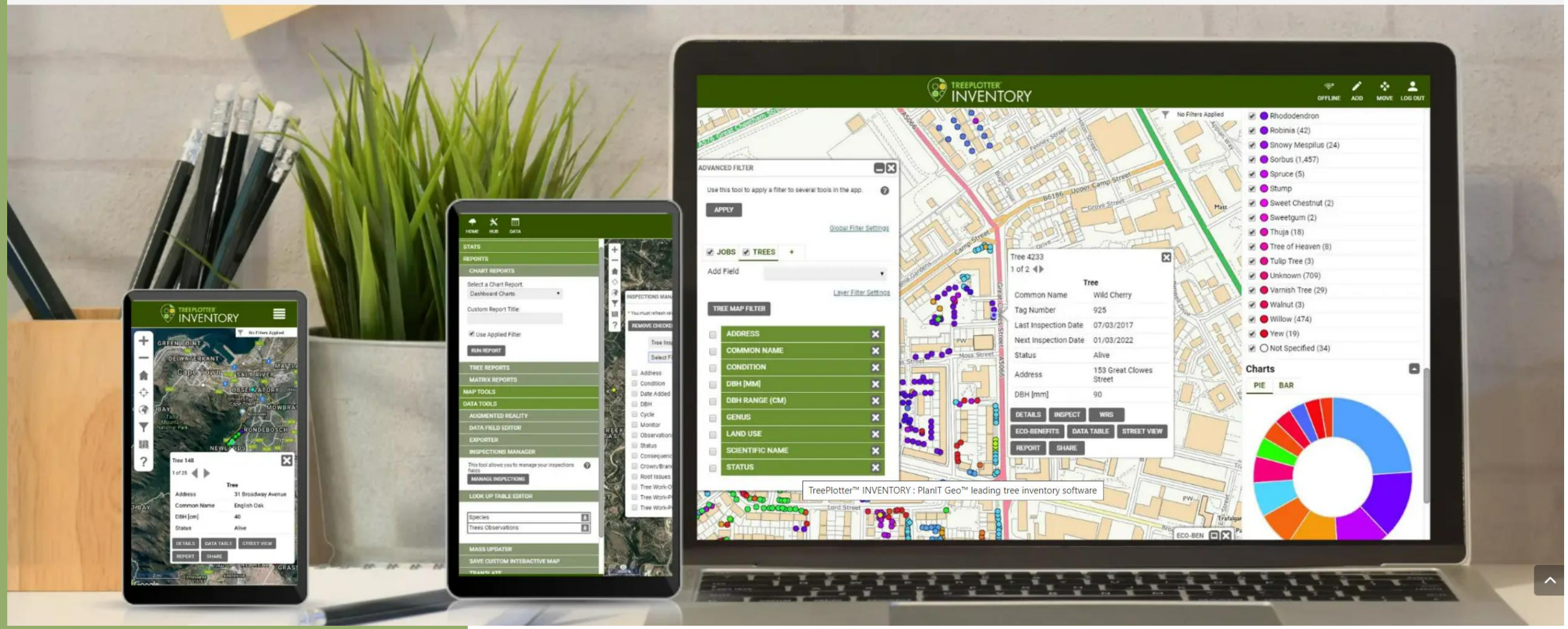

TreeKeeper

Tree Benefits

Overall Benefits

25,078 total trees

0 Selected Sites

Total Yearly Eco Benefits

$2,766,823.07

Greenhouse Gas Benefits
$19,820.60
3,863,036.11 lbs CO_2 avoided
2,805,309.34 lbs CO_2 sequestered

Water Benefits
$188,048.93
23,506,116.44 gallons saved

Energy Benefits
$1,056,585.97
1,591,786.42 kWh saved
592,028.90 Therms saved

Air Quality Benefits
$154,569.62
25,330.11 lbs pollutants saved

Property Benefits
$1,347,797.96
2,240,014.10 leaf surface area (sq.ft.)

Historic Street Tree Benefits

Historic Park Trees Benefits

Tree Benefits

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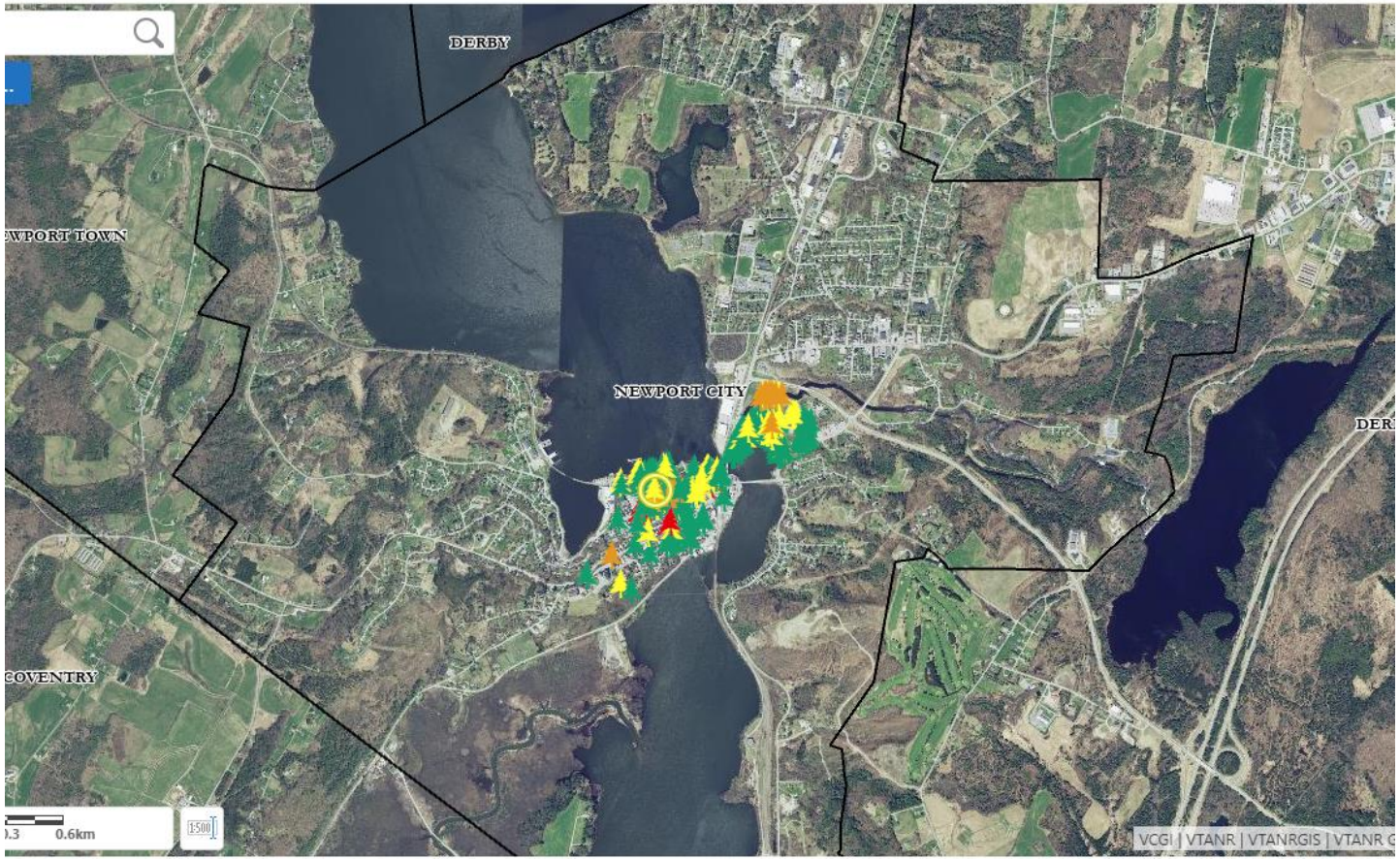

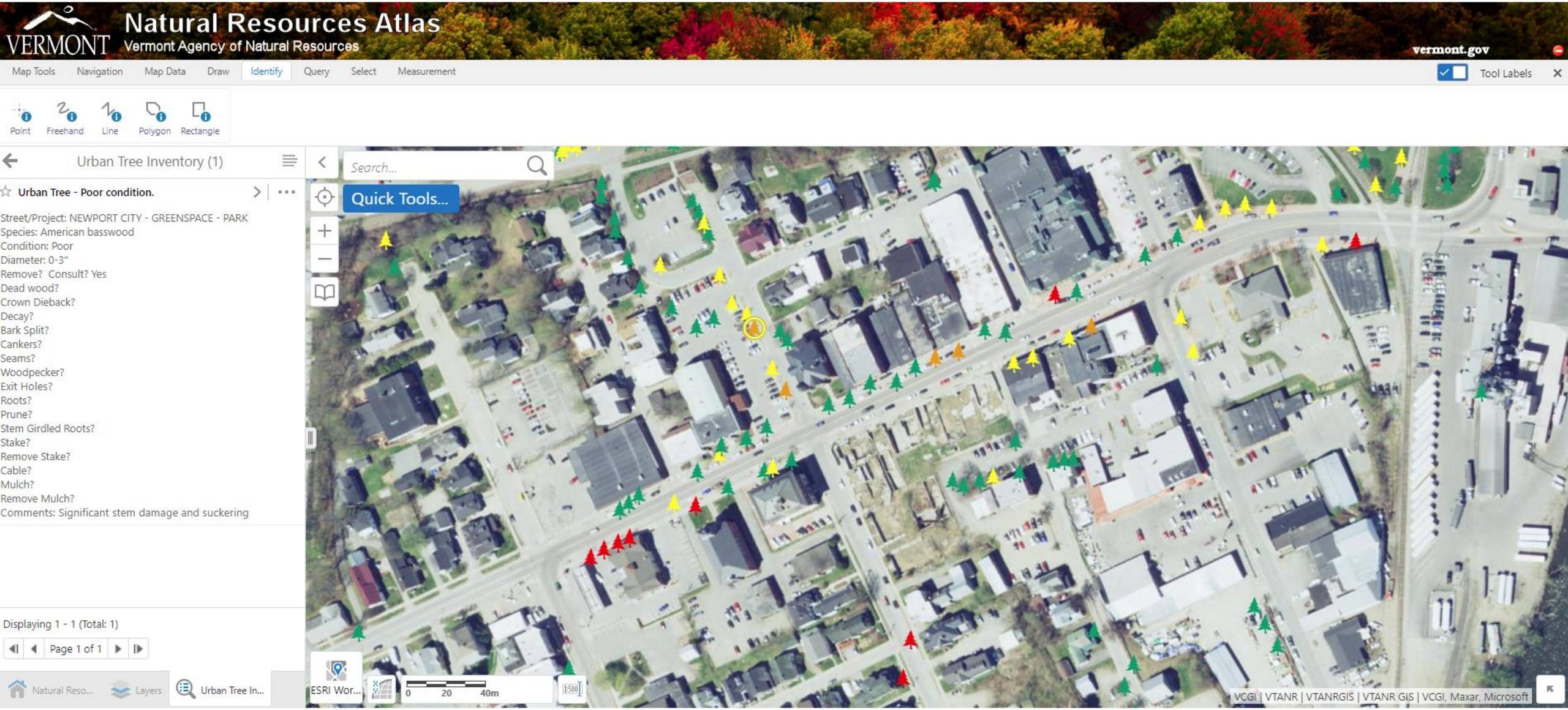
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Urban Tree Inventory (1)
Urban Tree - Poor condition.
Street/Project: NEWPORT CITY - GREENSPACE - PARK
Species: American basswood
Condition: Poor
Diameter: 0-3"
Remove? Consult? Yes
Dead wood?
Crown Dieback?
Decay?
Bark Split?
Cankers?
Seams?
Woodpecker?
Exit Holes?
Roots?
Prune?
Stem Girdled Roots?
Stake?
Remove Stake?
Cable?
Mulch?
Remove Mulch?
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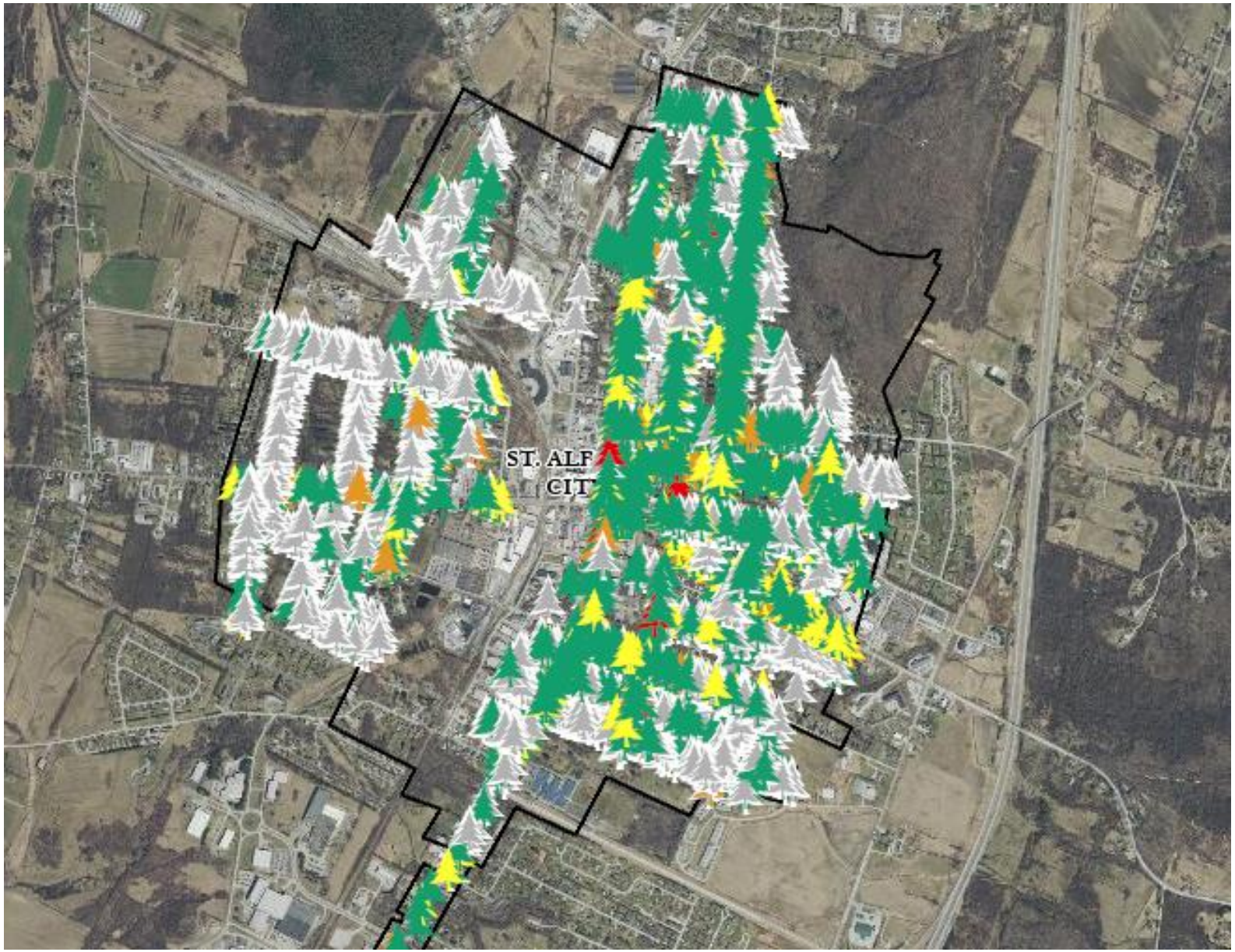

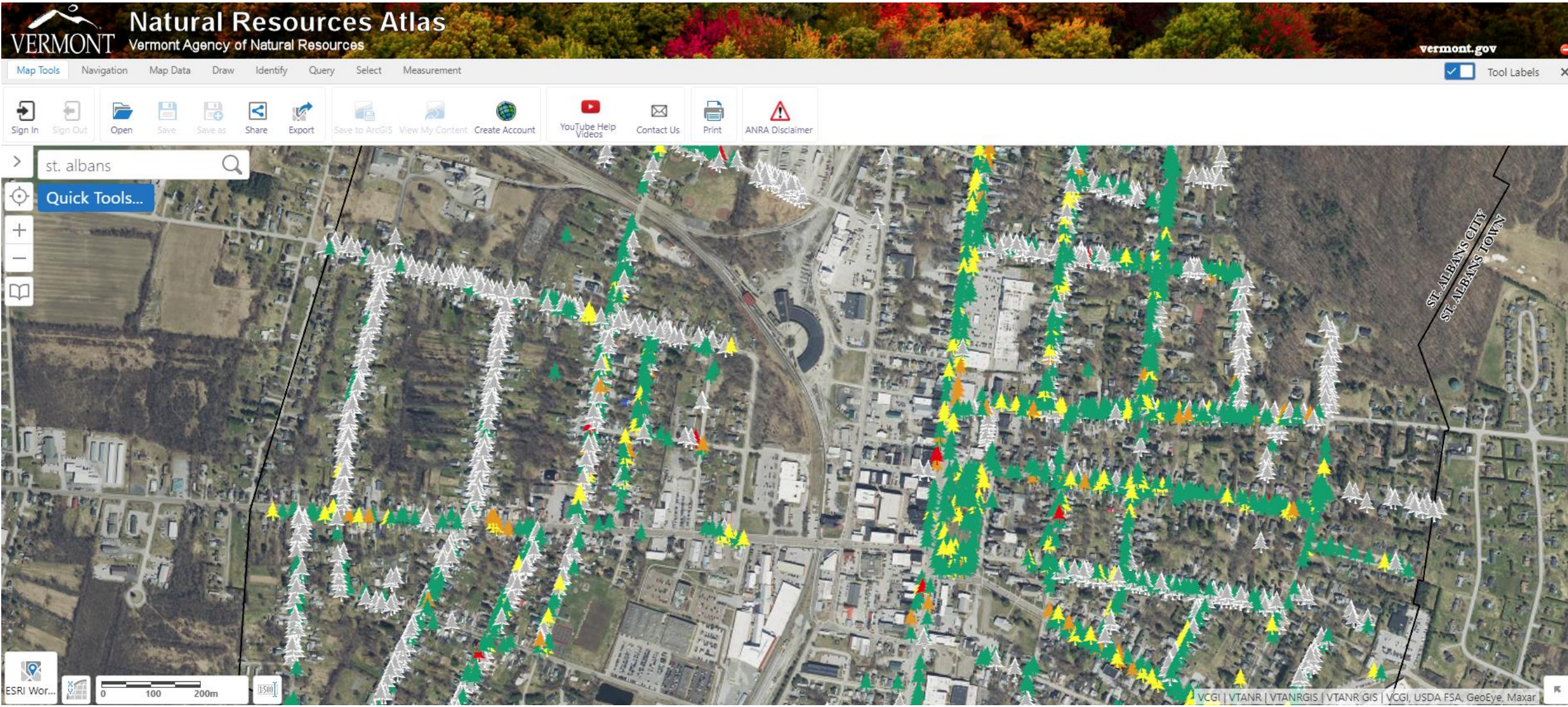
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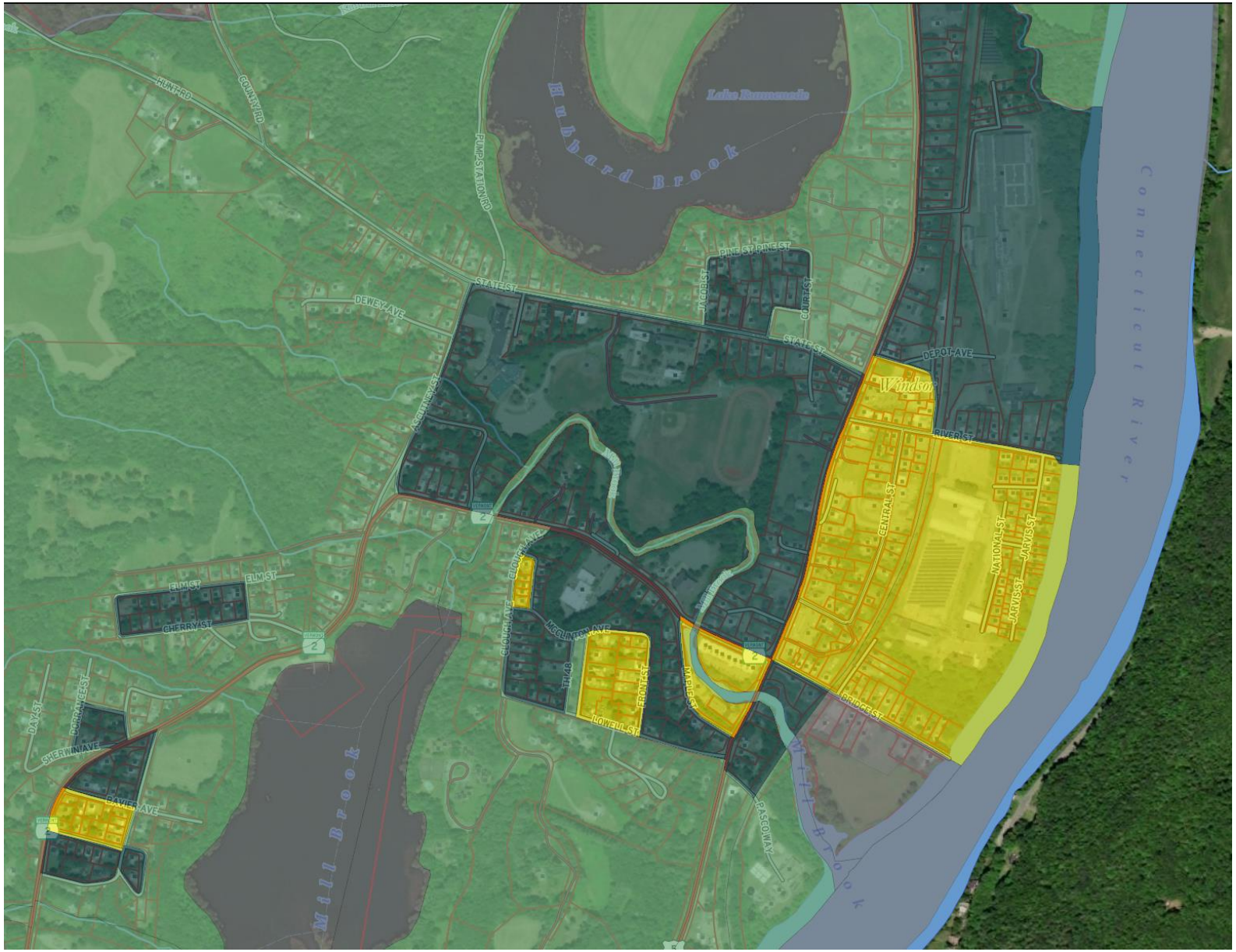

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Municipal Tree Inventory

For more information, visit
vtcommunityforestry.org
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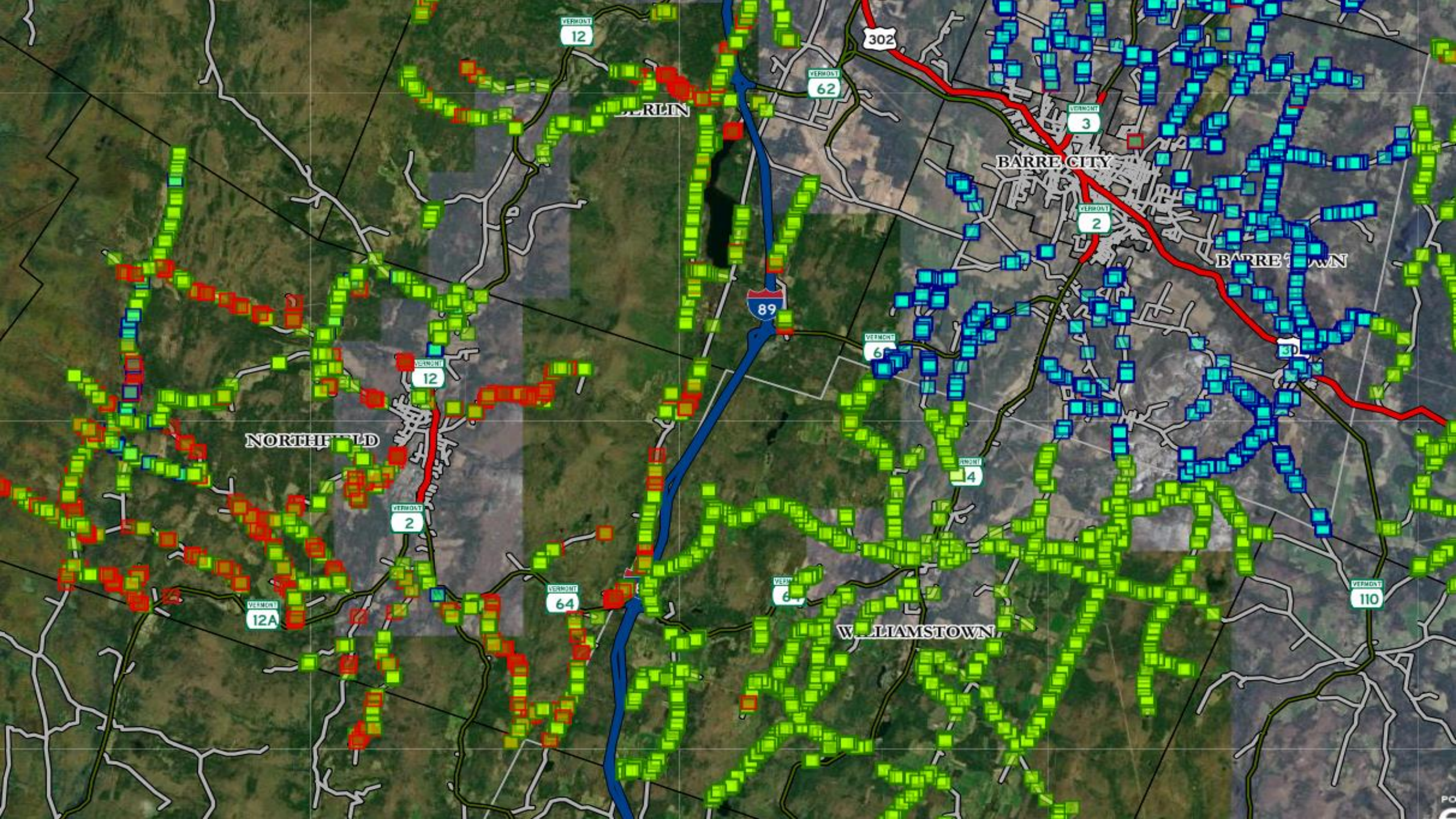
Technical Assistance: Public & Ash Tree Inventories

30+ downtowns, 50+ rural roadside ash inventories (76,000+ ash) using Field Maps (Collector)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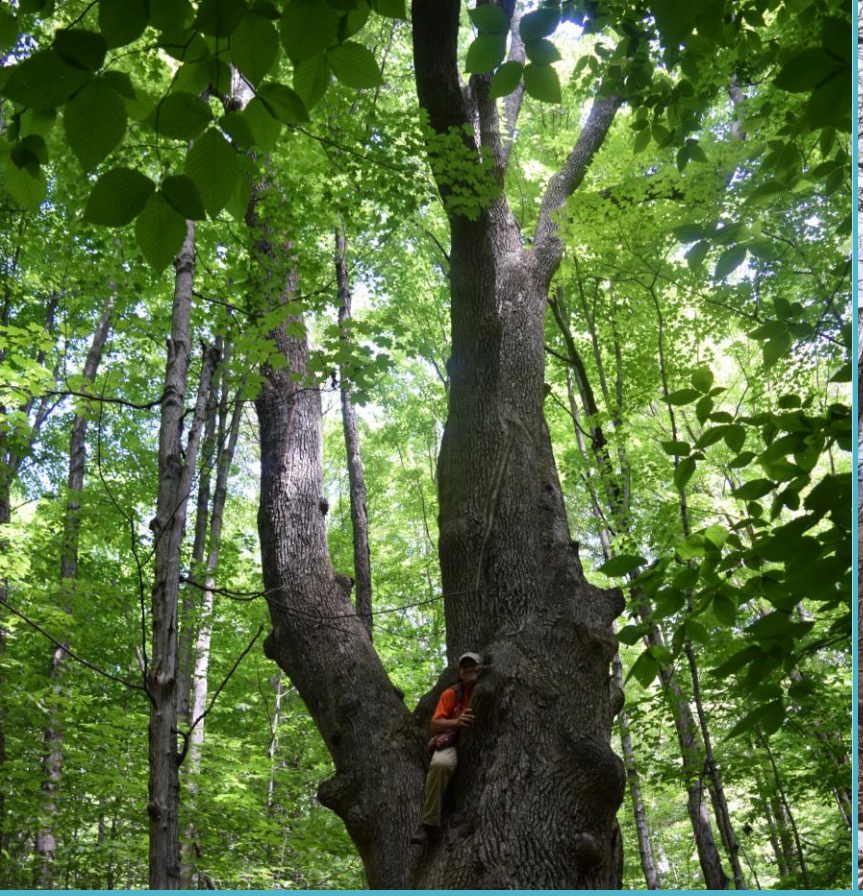

Education & Outreach: Vermont Big Trees

2022 relaunch of program that had been largely dormant for a decade, interactive map and database

Vermont Big Trees

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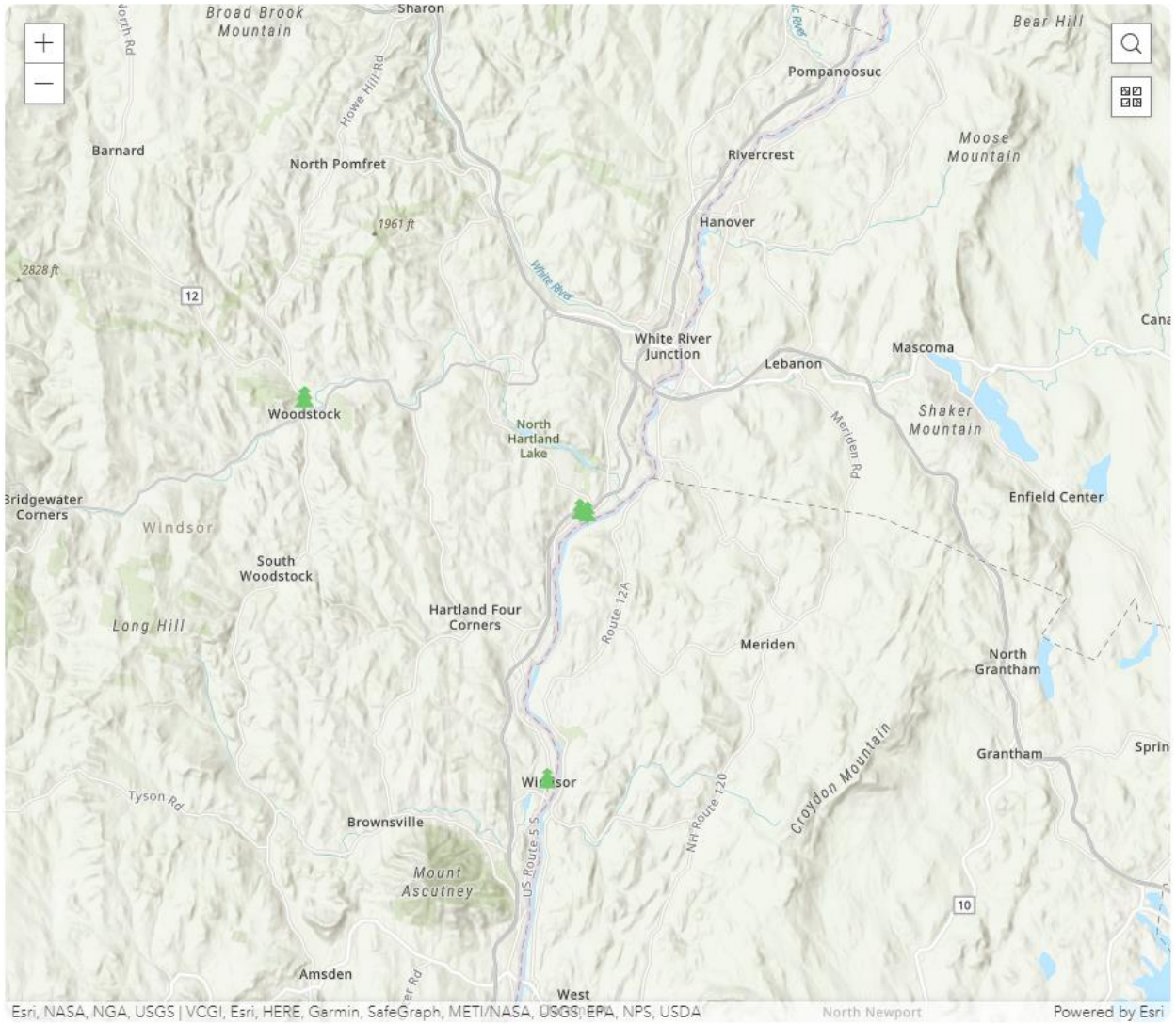
Black Walnut

Bur Oak



Black Walnut

Juglans nigra

Hartland
Windsor County

No Public Access, but tree is visible.
12 Green Acres Lane

Measurements

Circumference	218in
Height	97ft
Crown Spread	108ft
Big Tree Points	342.00

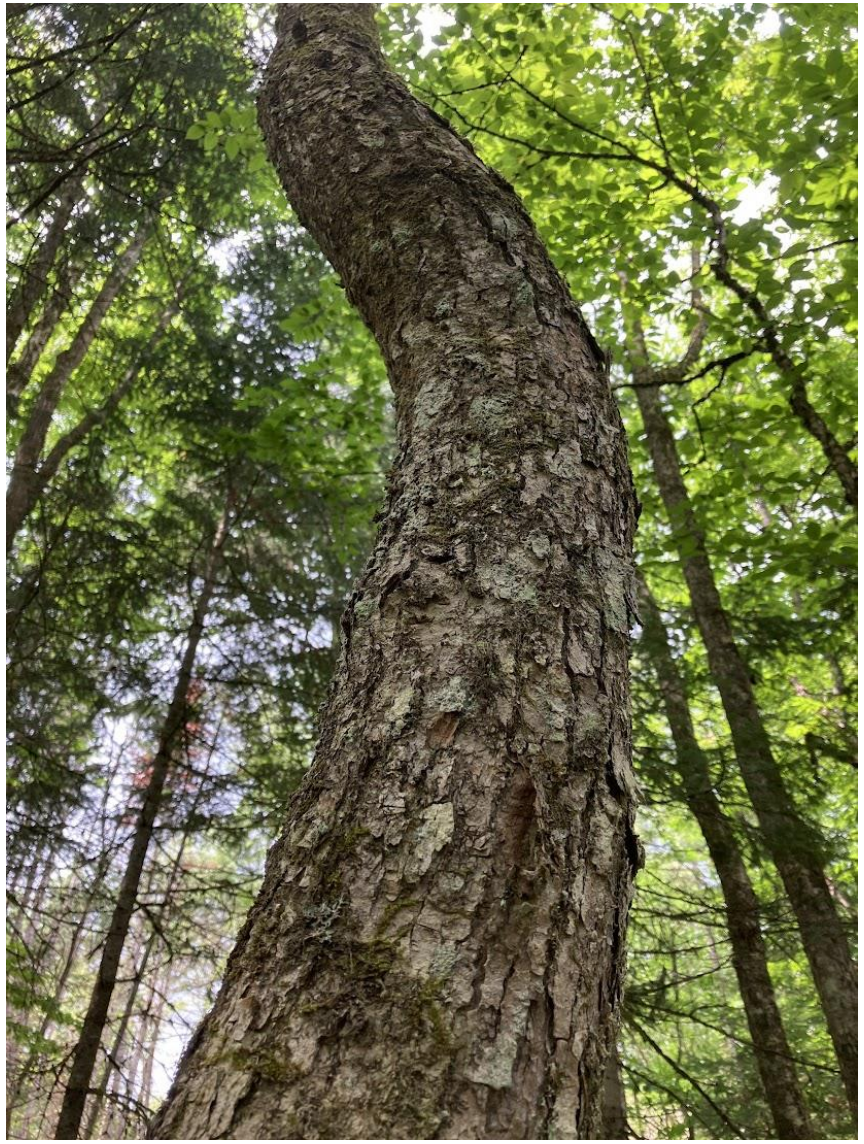
Year Listed: 2003
Last Measured: October 23, 2021

Technical Assistance: Black Ash Project

UVM Field Naturalist graduate student Charlotte Cadow
Expected graduation May 2023

Community Science

Connecting landowners and basket makers



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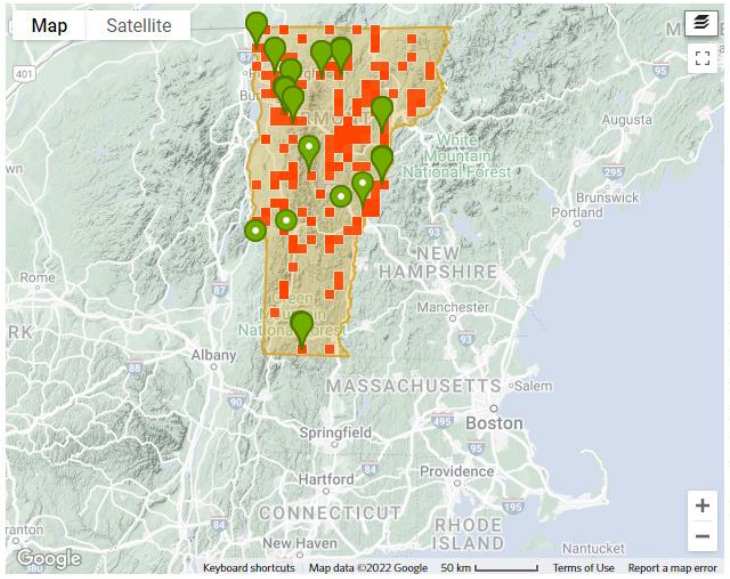

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About

Black ash trees are a cultural centerpiece for many native people in northeastern North America, including the Abenaki. Basket-tree harvesters identify and fell the trees, having been trained to identify the specific tree attributes that indicate basket quality black ash. The trees are then processed into splints which can be used for basketry, or a variety of other ...more ↓

charlottecadow *created this project on May 19, 2022*

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