An aerial view of a city featuring a river, green spaces, and a mix of modern and older buildings. The sky is blue with some light clouds. The text 'Where is 3D GIS TODAY?' is overlaid on the top left of the image.

Where is 3D GIS TODAY?

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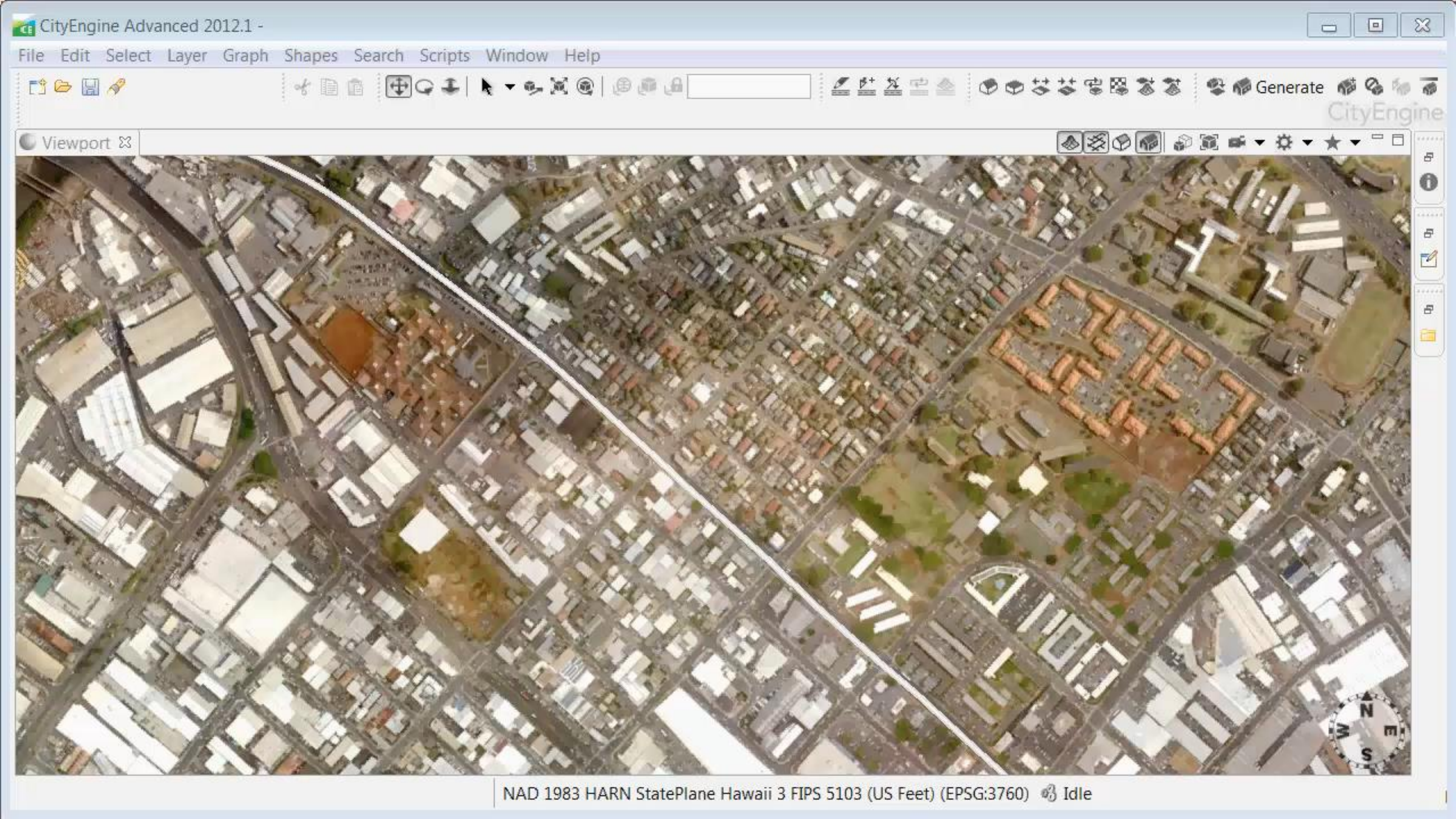


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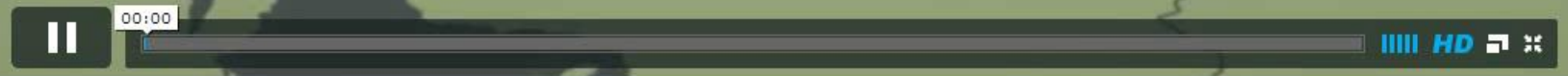
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 - Existing
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Trees

Comments







Low to Medium - Low Density Residential



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NET 1.01-1.50



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Medium - High Density Residential, Mixed Use



NET 2.01-3.00



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Smart 3D City Model



Top 3D GIS Use Cases



**ECONOMIC
DEVELOPMENT**

**PUBLIC
WORKS**

**PLANNING
DEPARTMENT**

**PUBLIC
SAFETY**





General Land Use



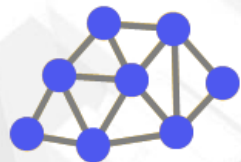
Economic Development



Zoning Regulations



First Responders (Pre-Incident)



Underground

City of Chicago



General Land Use

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 - 3D_City_Landscape_Architecture
 - 3D_City_Planning_and_Architecture
 - 3D_City_Planning_and_Architecture2
 - 3D_City_Public_Safety
 - 3D_City_Transportation
 - 3D Asset Showcase
 - Esri_Vegetation_Library_with_LumenRT_Plants
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 - Example_Redlands_Redevelopment
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- Scene
- search expression
- Scene Light
 - Panorama
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 - Terrain Detail
 - Terrain
 - Zoning Plan (1394 Objects)
 - General Plan (1339 Objects)
 - Buildings LOD 1 (21243 Objects)
 - Redlands Pictometry (2998 Objects)
 - Streets (2032 Objects)
 - Trees (1090 Objects)
 - Building Footprints (23278 Objects)
 - Parcels General Land Use (19952 Objects)
 - Parcels General Zoning Regulations (10315 Objects)



Zoning Regulations

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Viewport Perspective View | 28403 Objects | 1749066 Polygons



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Economic Development

Navigator

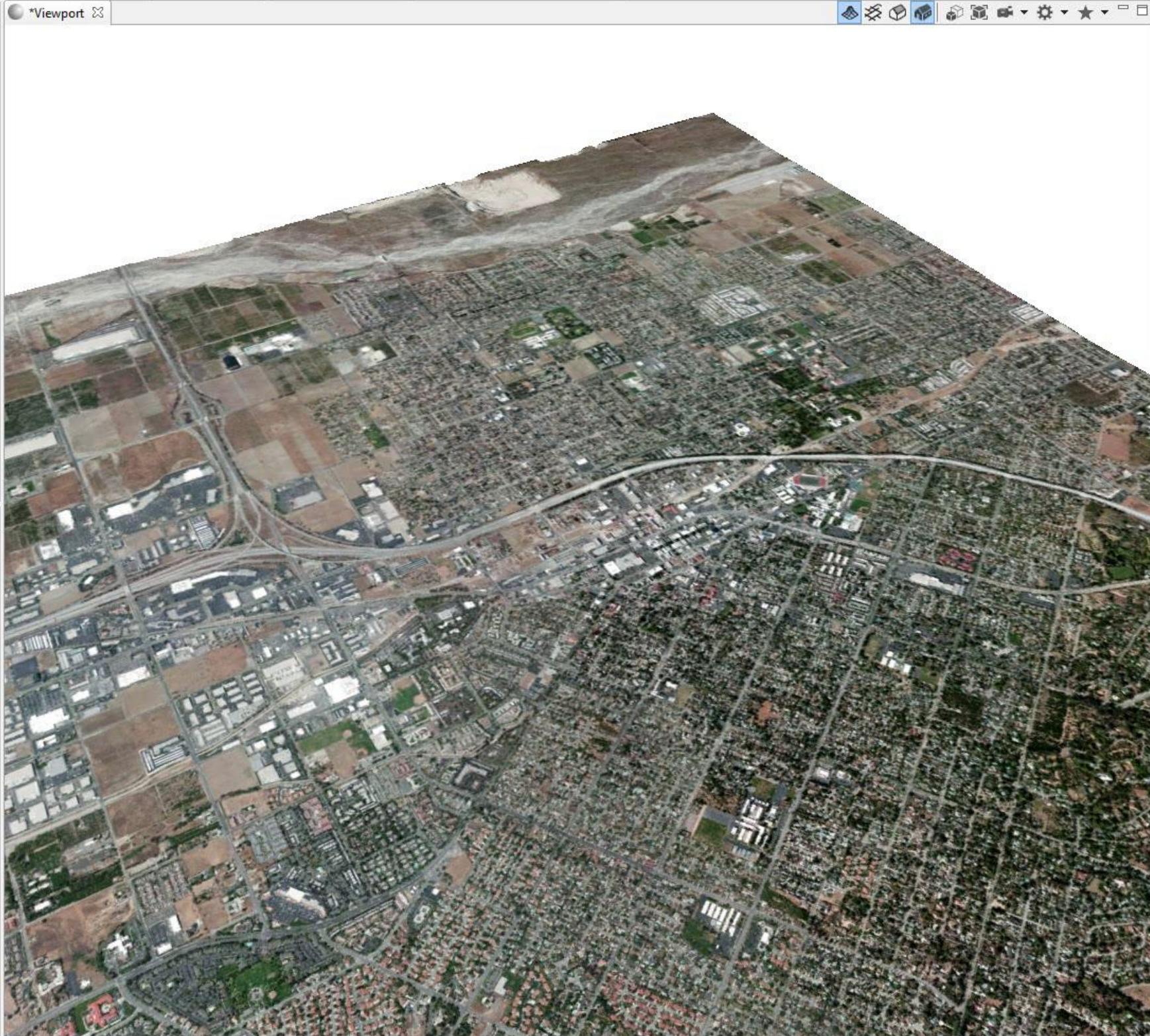
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P/3D_City_Economic_Development

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- Terrain - Color
- Census Blocks (1077 Objects)



Inspector



First Responders (Pre-Incident)

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- Buildings, Background - Solid Gray (21243 Ob
- Crime Density, Points -----
- Point Grid, Commercial Burglery - CommBur
- Point Grid, Residential Burglery - ResBurgC20
- Point Grid, Vandalism - DistVandalismC200P
- Point Grid, Theft - TheftC200P (17061 Objects)
- Point Grid, Vehicle - VehicleC200P (17061 Ob
- Point Grid, Assault - assaultC200P (17061 Obj
- Crime Density, Raster -----
- Mapping, Imagery Color
- Mapping, Assaults - RGB
- Buildings, Downtown, Crime Colors - 3D Imp
- Buildings, Background, Crime Colors, Footpri
- Streets, Crime Colors, AOI (21620 Objects)





Underground Visualization (Utilities)



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An aerial view of a city with a 3D model overlay. The foreground shows a residential neighborhood with houses and a street with cars. The middle ground features a mix of buildings, including a prominent glass skyscraper. The background shows a dense city skyline across a body of water. The sky is blue with faint geometric patterns. The text 'Take Your GIS to a NEW DIMENSION' is overlaid in white, with 'NEW DIMENSION' in a larger, bold font.

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What is **NEXT?**



Creating a Smart 3D City Model



From Start to Finish



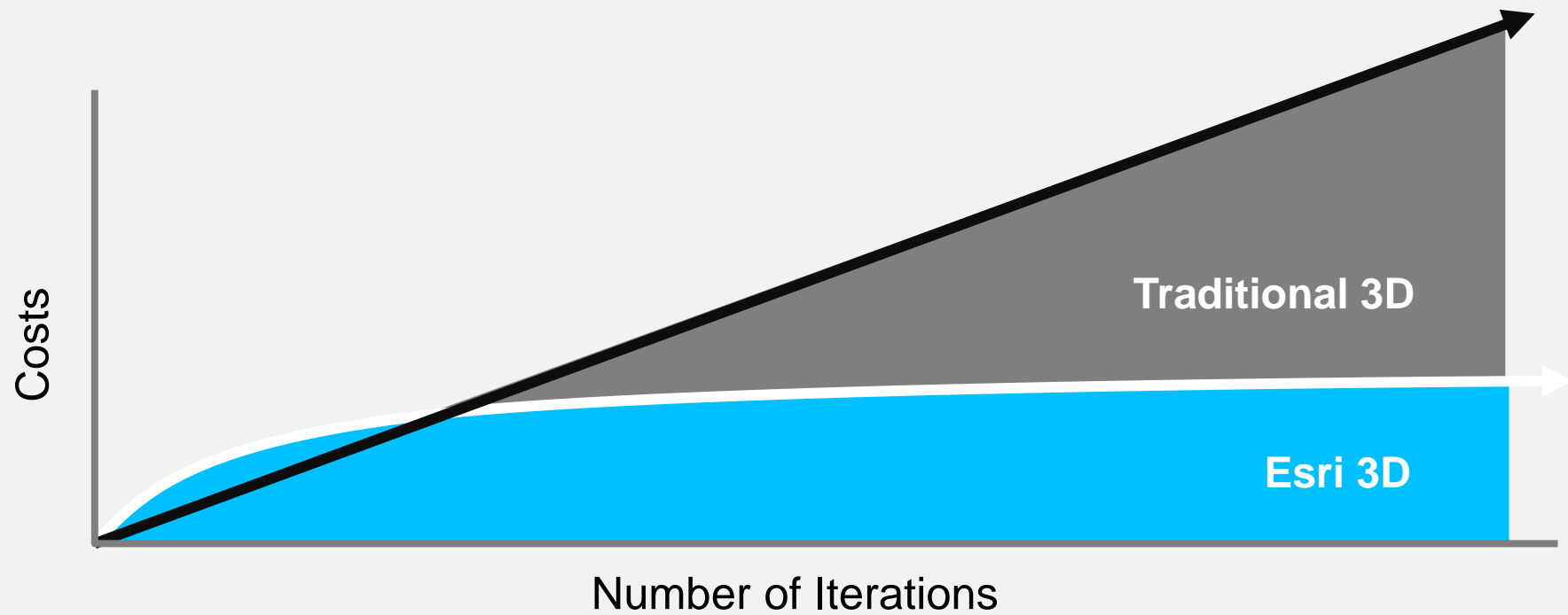


Challenges

3d was not easy

Procedural Modeling Saves Time and Costs

Supporting a Rules Based Generation of Alternatives



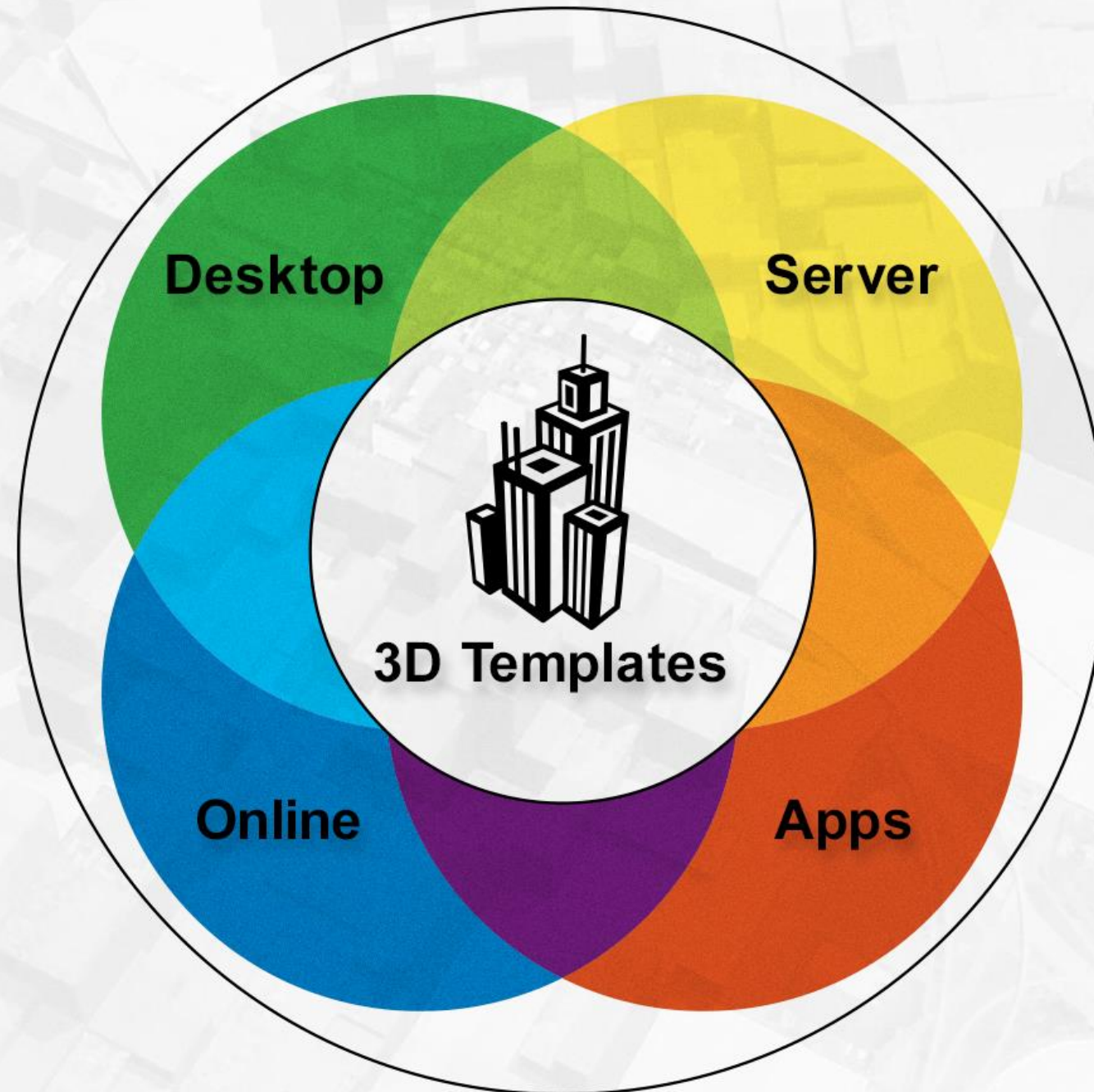
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Rule-Based Modeling

3D Across the Platform

CityEngine
3D Analyst
ArcGIS Pro

3D Services



Web Scenes
3D Basemaps

3D Runtime



Creating a Smart 3D City Model

From Start to Finish





Products

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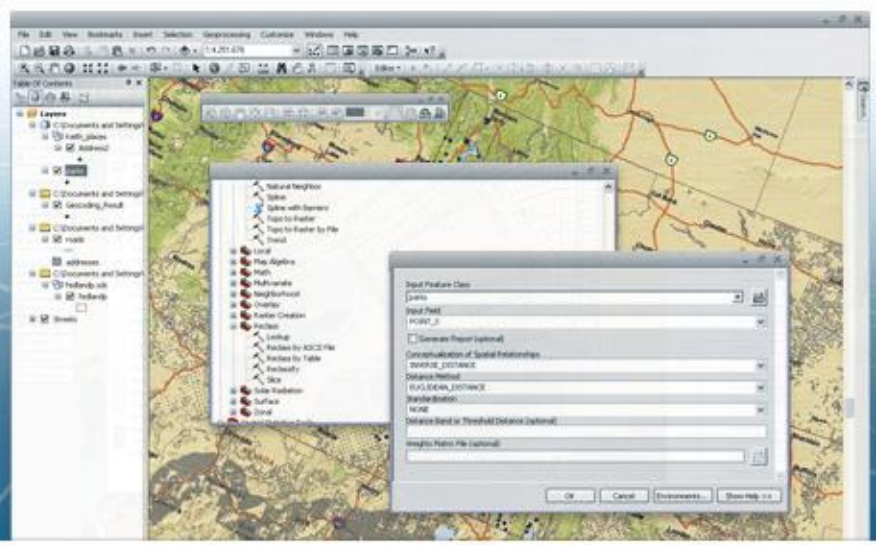
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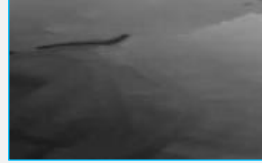
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(Imagery to Drape on Terrain)

Digital Elevation Model (DEM)



(Low Quality Terrain)

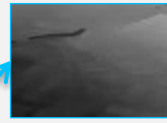
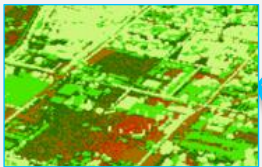
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LiDAR



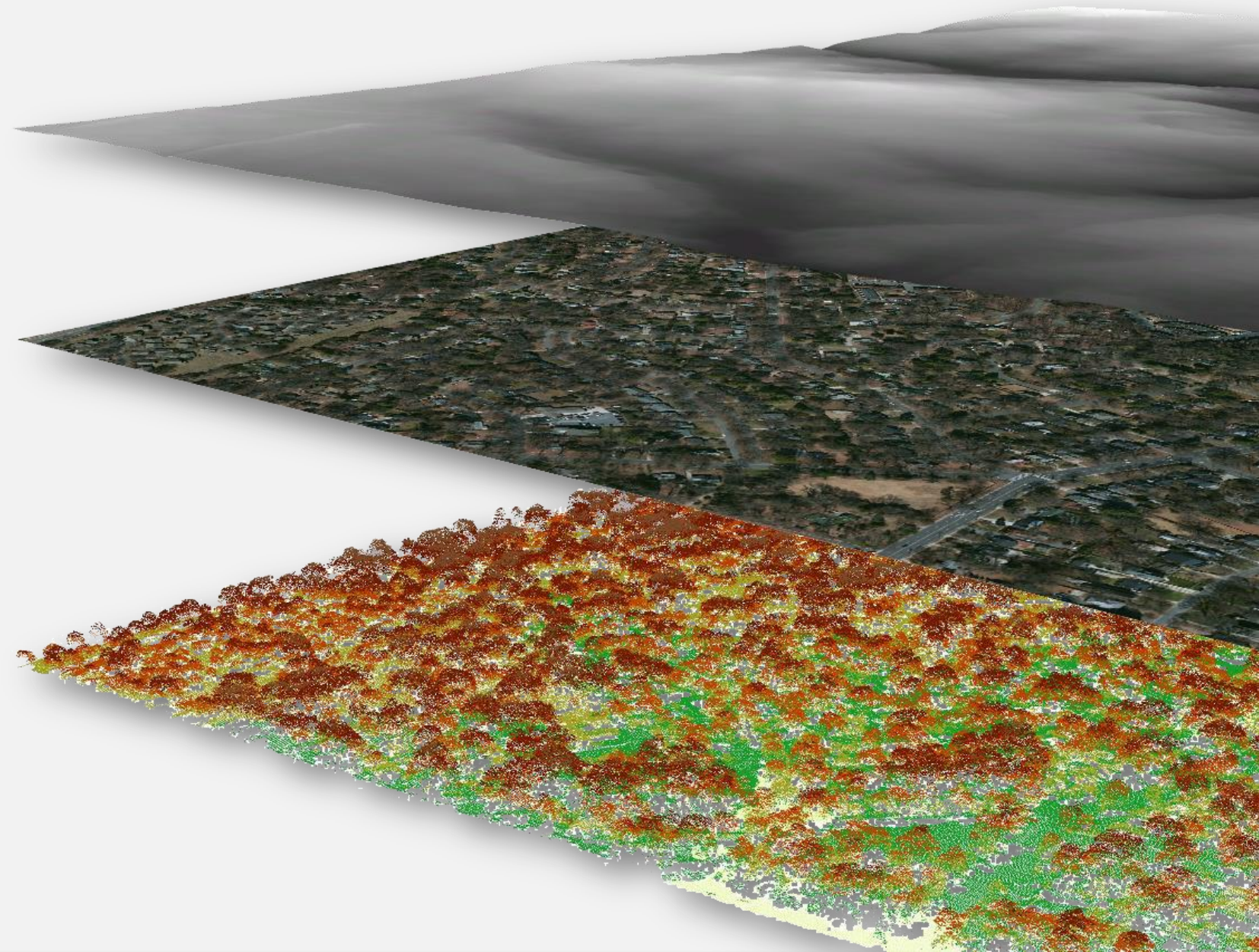
DTM
(Digital Terrain Model)



DSM
(Digital Surface Model)



nDSM
(Normalized Digital Surface Model)



3D City Model Data Requirements

Imagery & LiDAR

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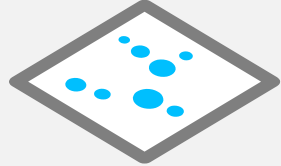
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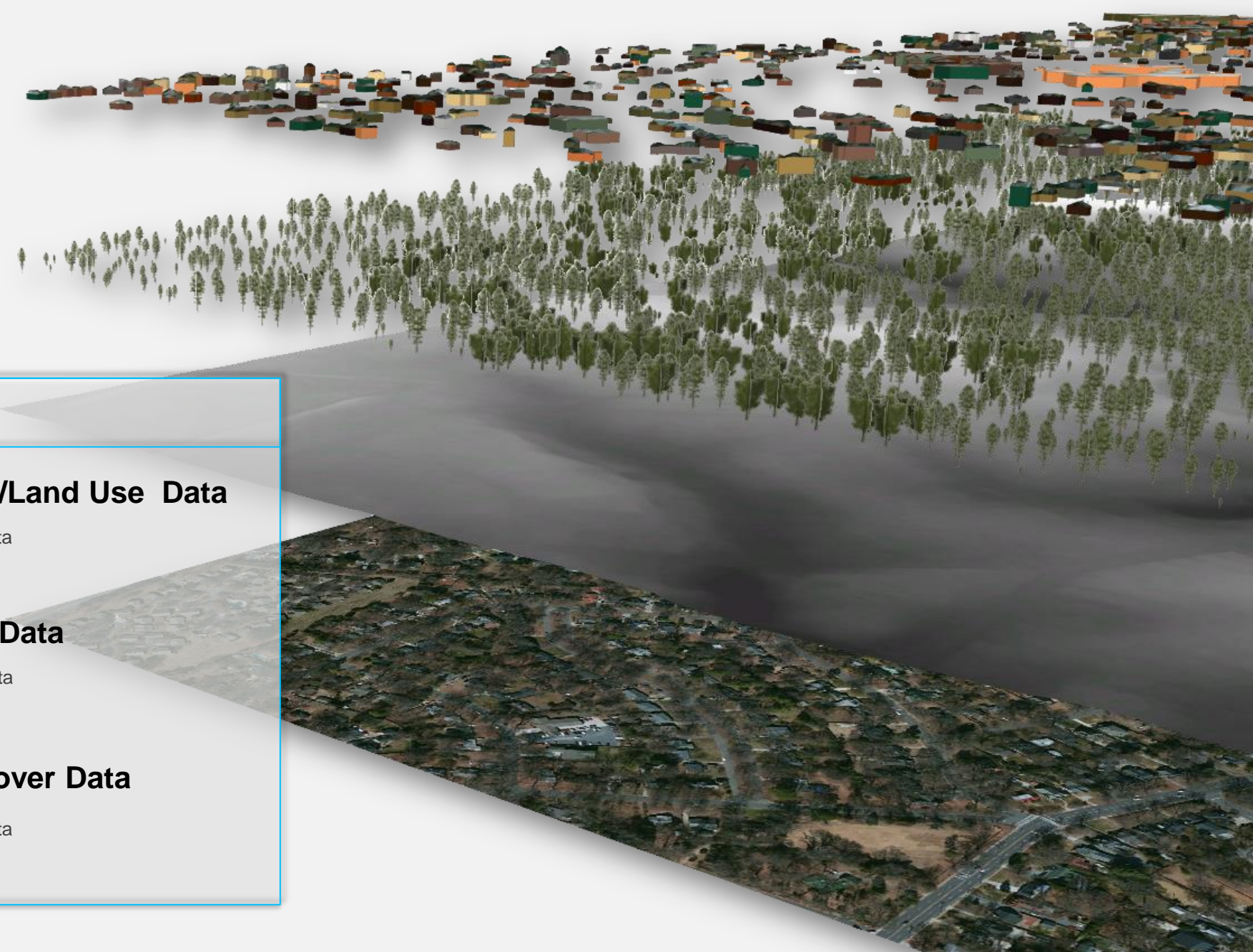
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County Data
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Vegetation Data

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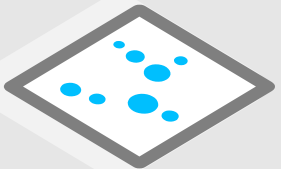


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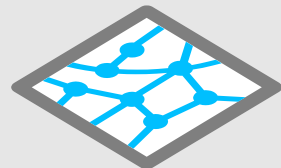
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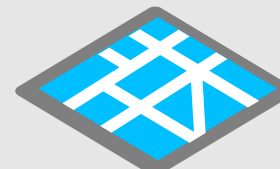
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Department of Transportation
City Data



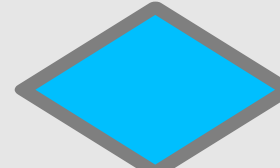
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Parcel Data

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LandCover Data

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3D City Model Data Requirements

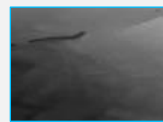
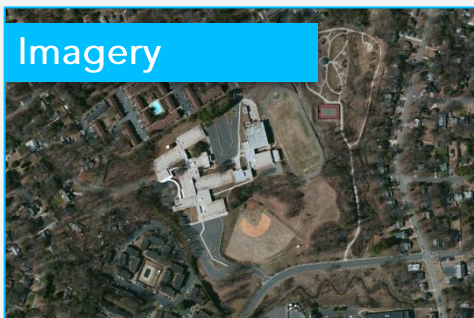
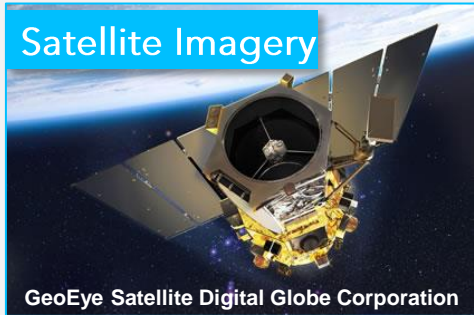
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What if I don't have Data?

Creating Data



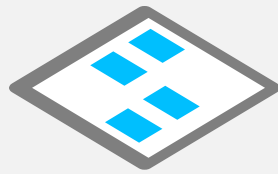
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Terrain for 3D Model



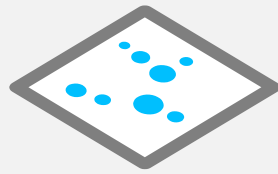
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Height Information For 2D Geometries



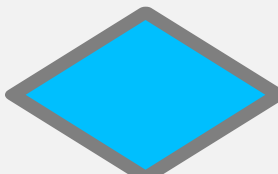
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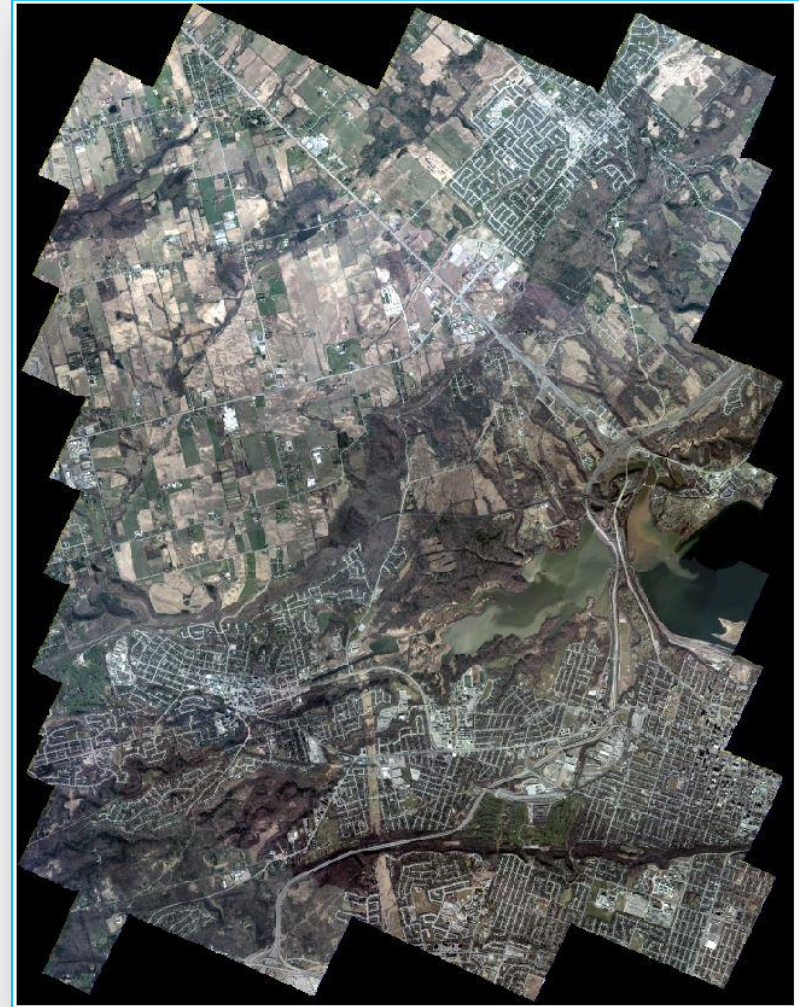
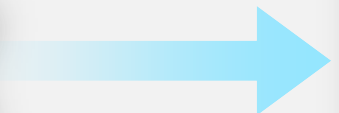
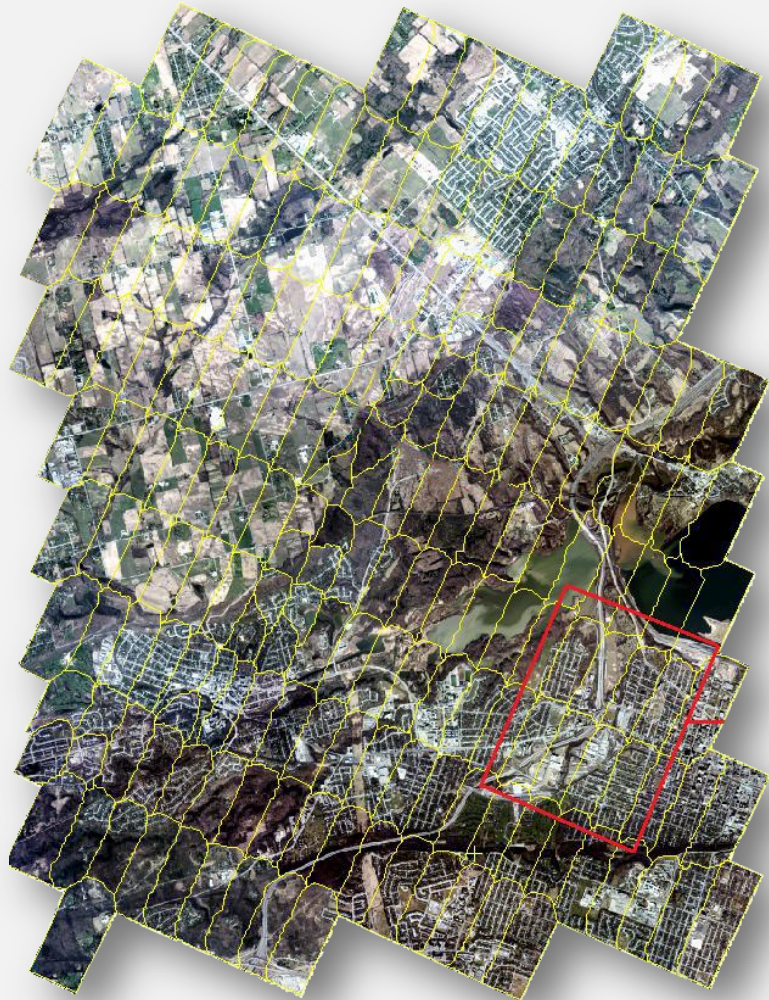
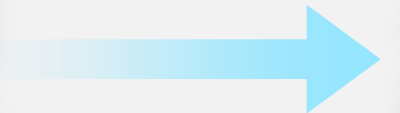
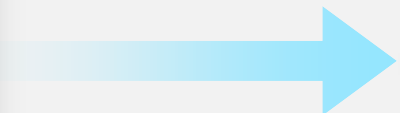
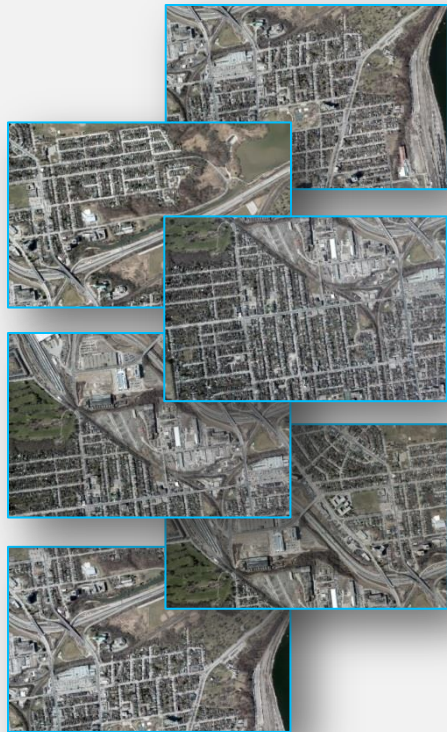
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Creating Ortho, DEM, & DSM from
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Satellite with Stereo Pair



Aerial Imagery



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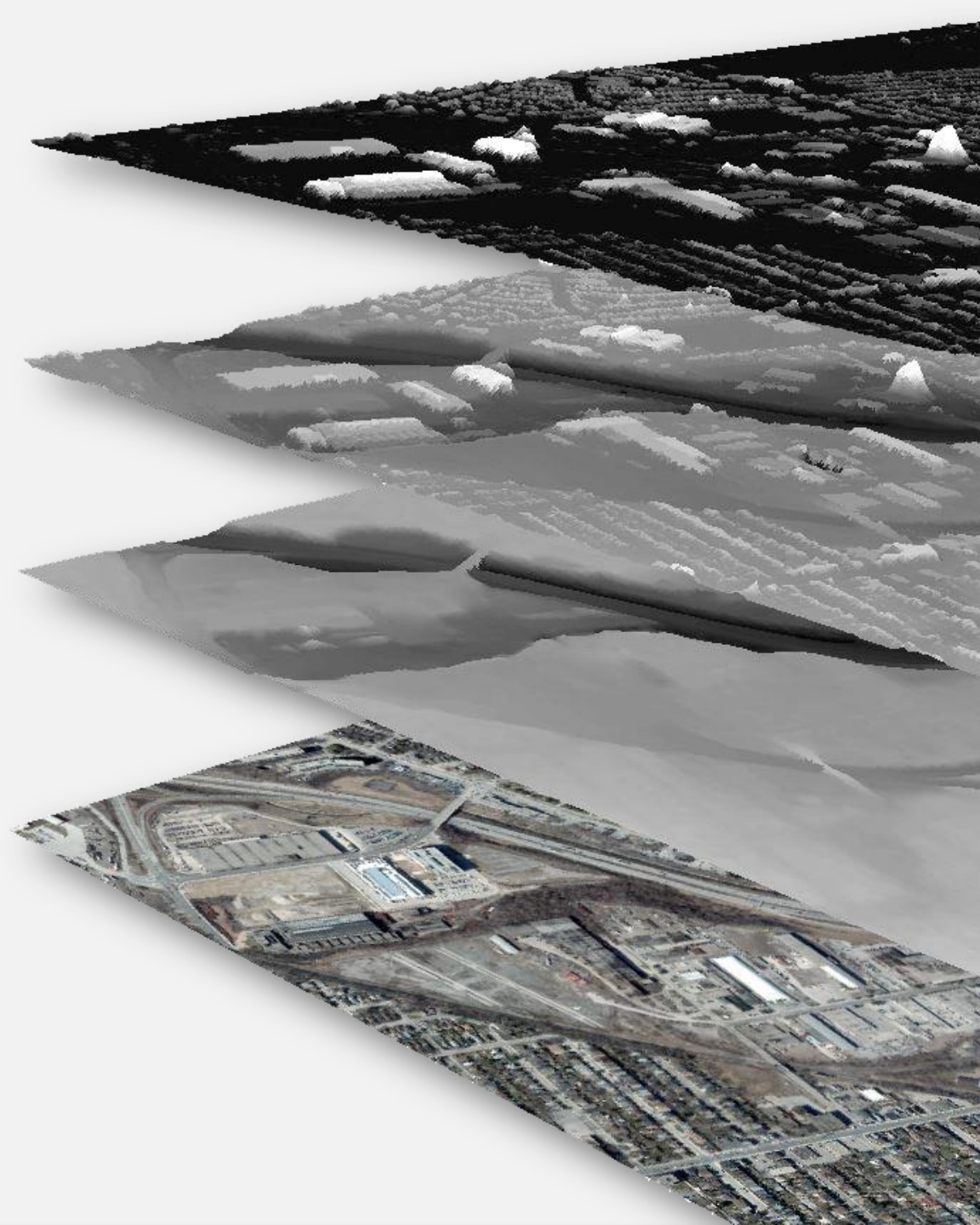


Normalized Digital Surface Model (nDSM)
For determining heights of Buildings & Vegetation

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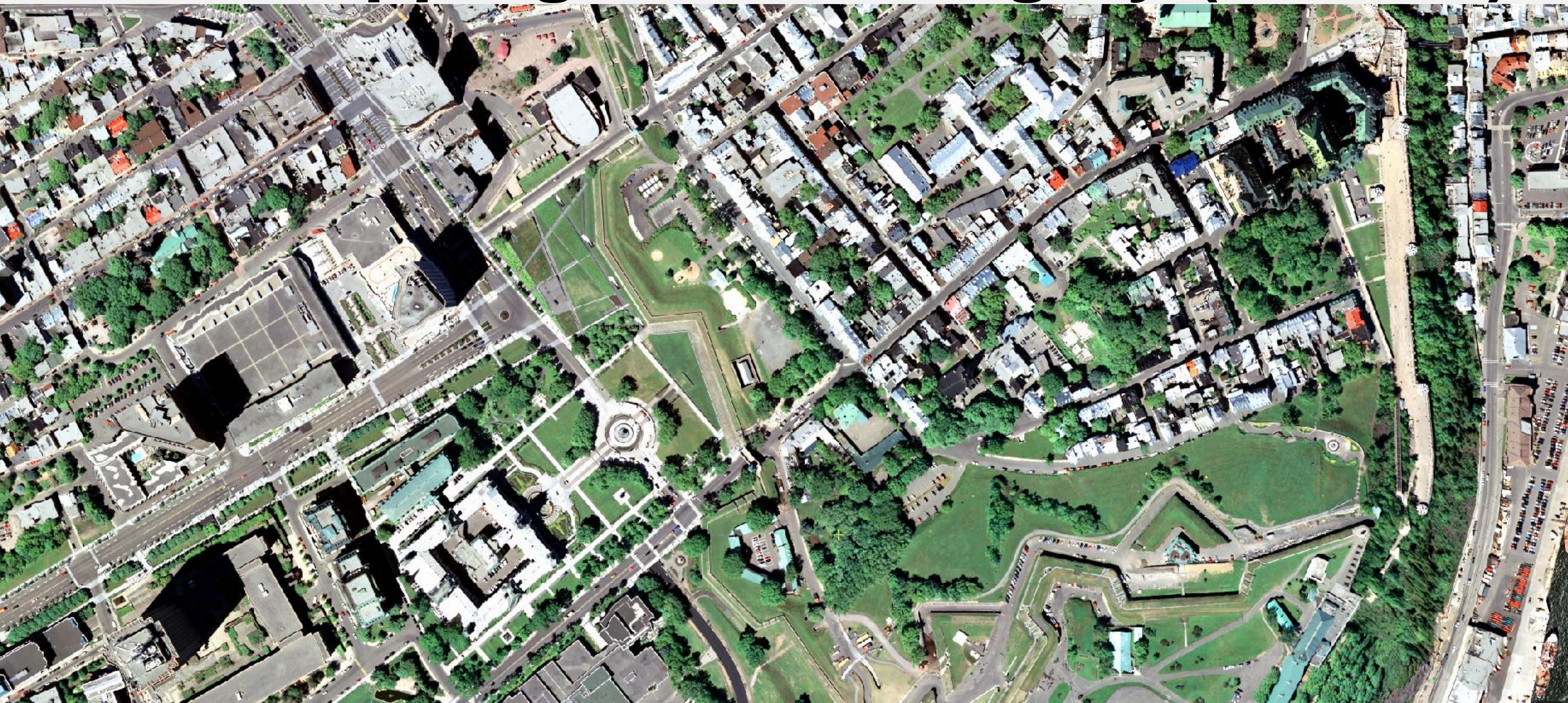
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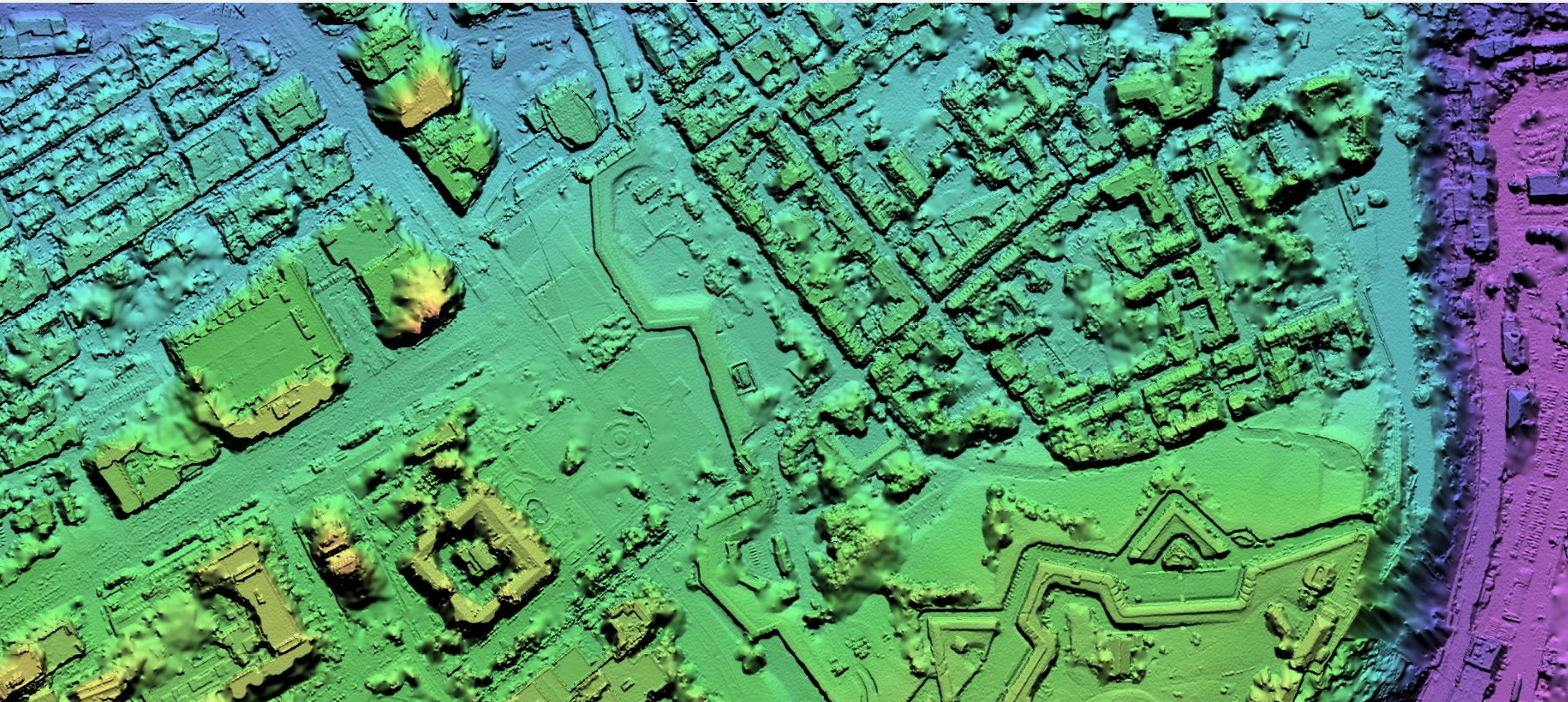
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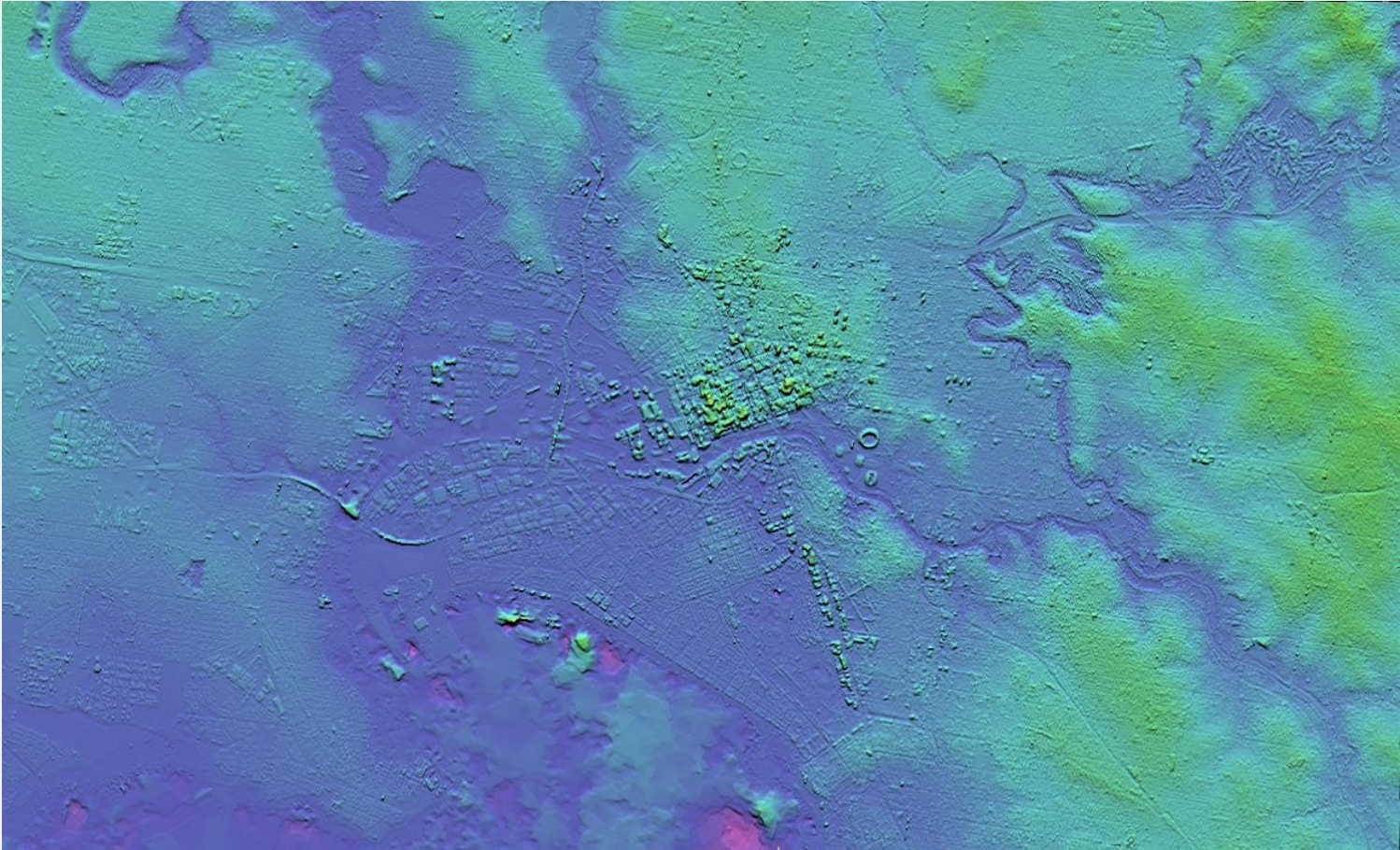
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- Narrow Linear Feature (< 10 m)
- Wide Linear Feature (> 10 m)
- Natural Feature***
- Small Manmade Feature (< 5 m)
- Manmade Feature (> 5 m)
- Land Cover Feature
- Water Mass Feature
- Building Feature

Advanced... *modified

Run on Visible Extent Preview

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Input Bands Input Representation Masking Output Options

Bands Available

- DSM_45cm_Composite.tif
 - band 1
- PCI_Mosaic_Ortho.tif
 - band 1
 - band 2
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- Discrete
- Texture
- Elevation


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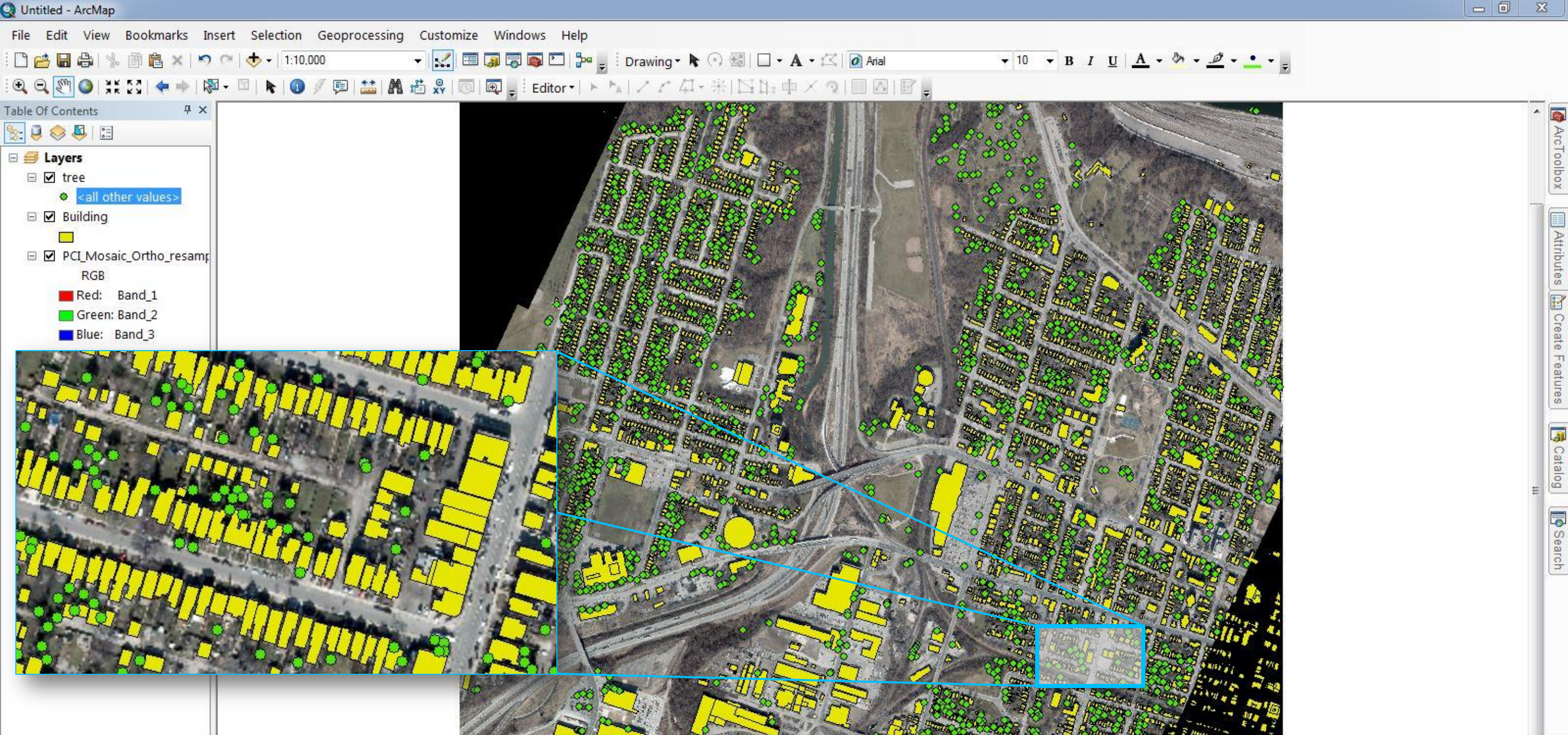
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 - band 1
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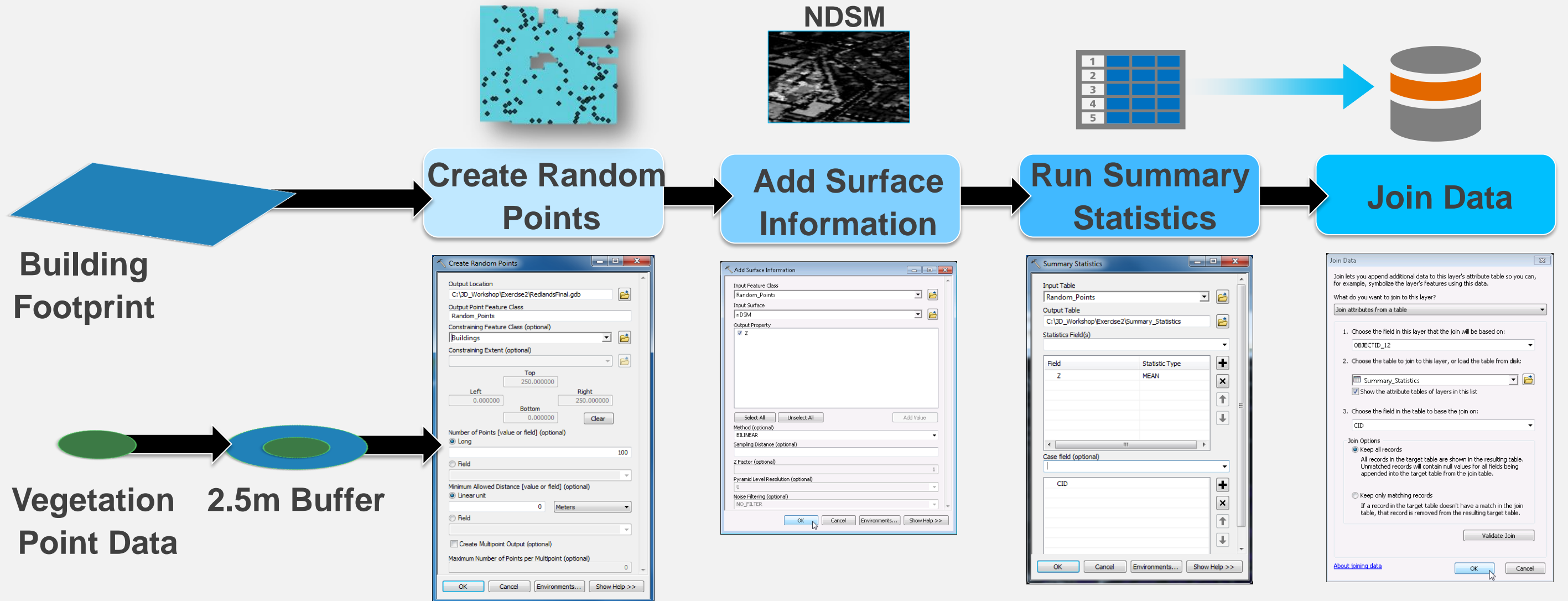
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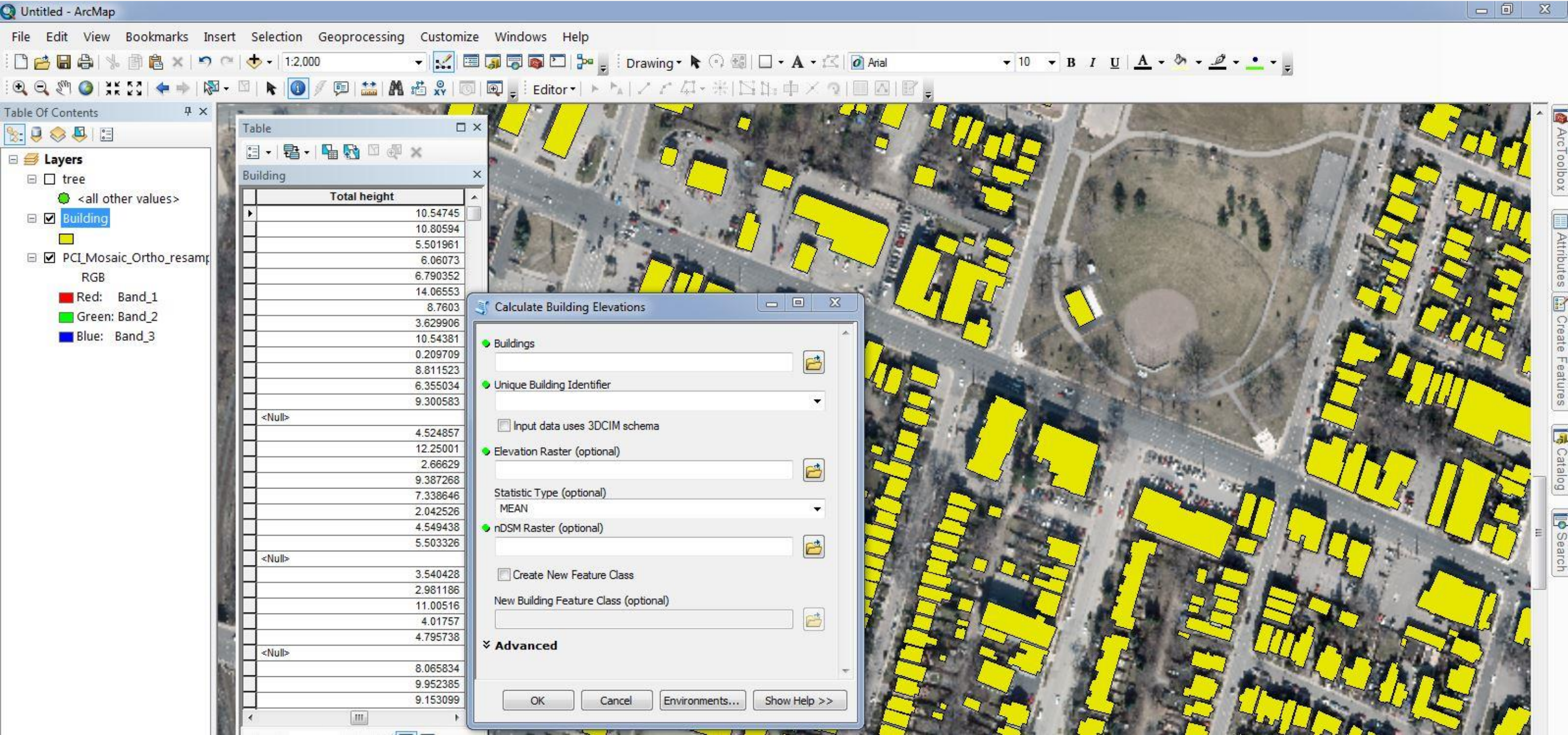




Adding Height Data to Features

Process for adding height information to building footprints & vegetation

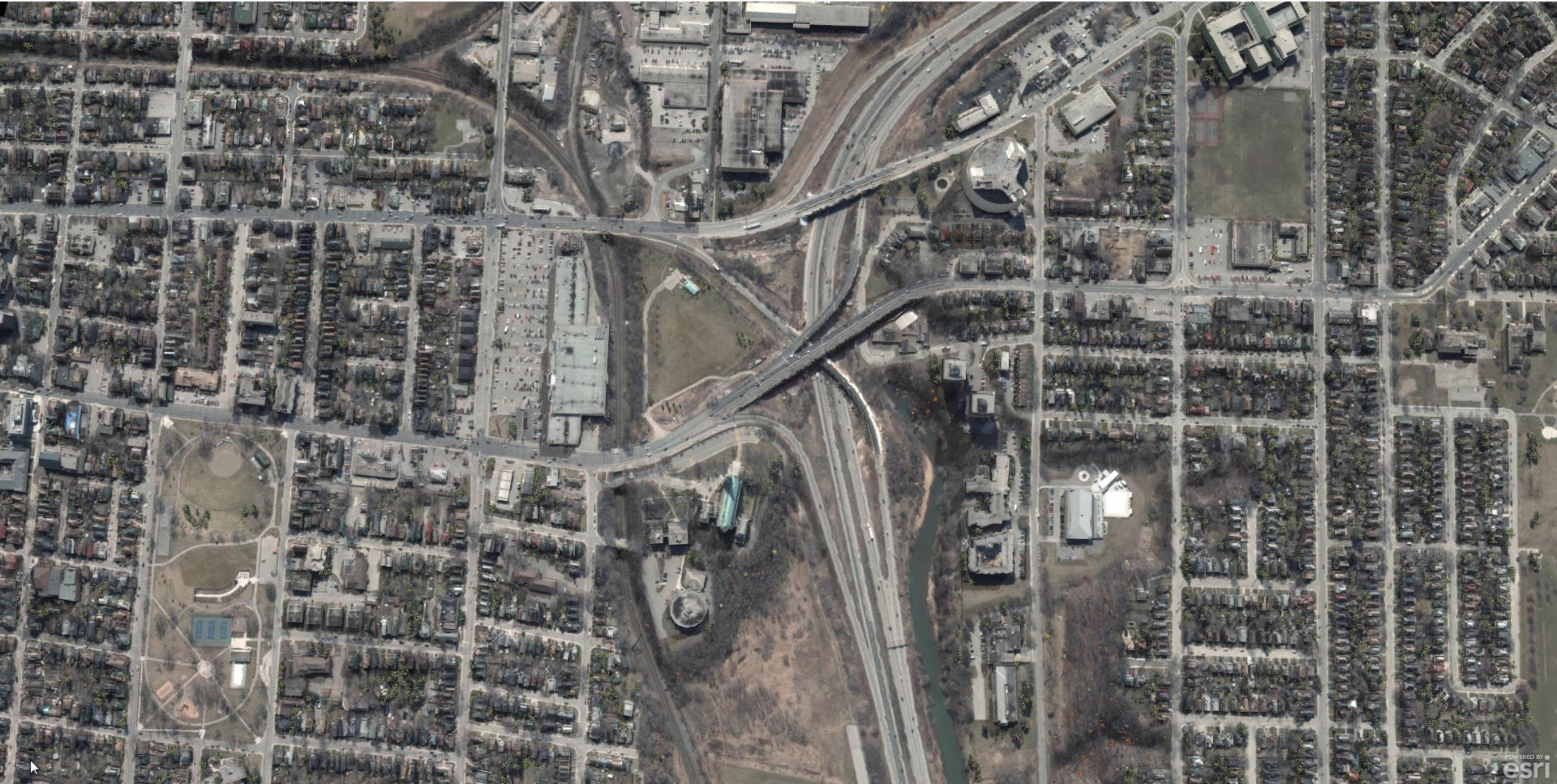


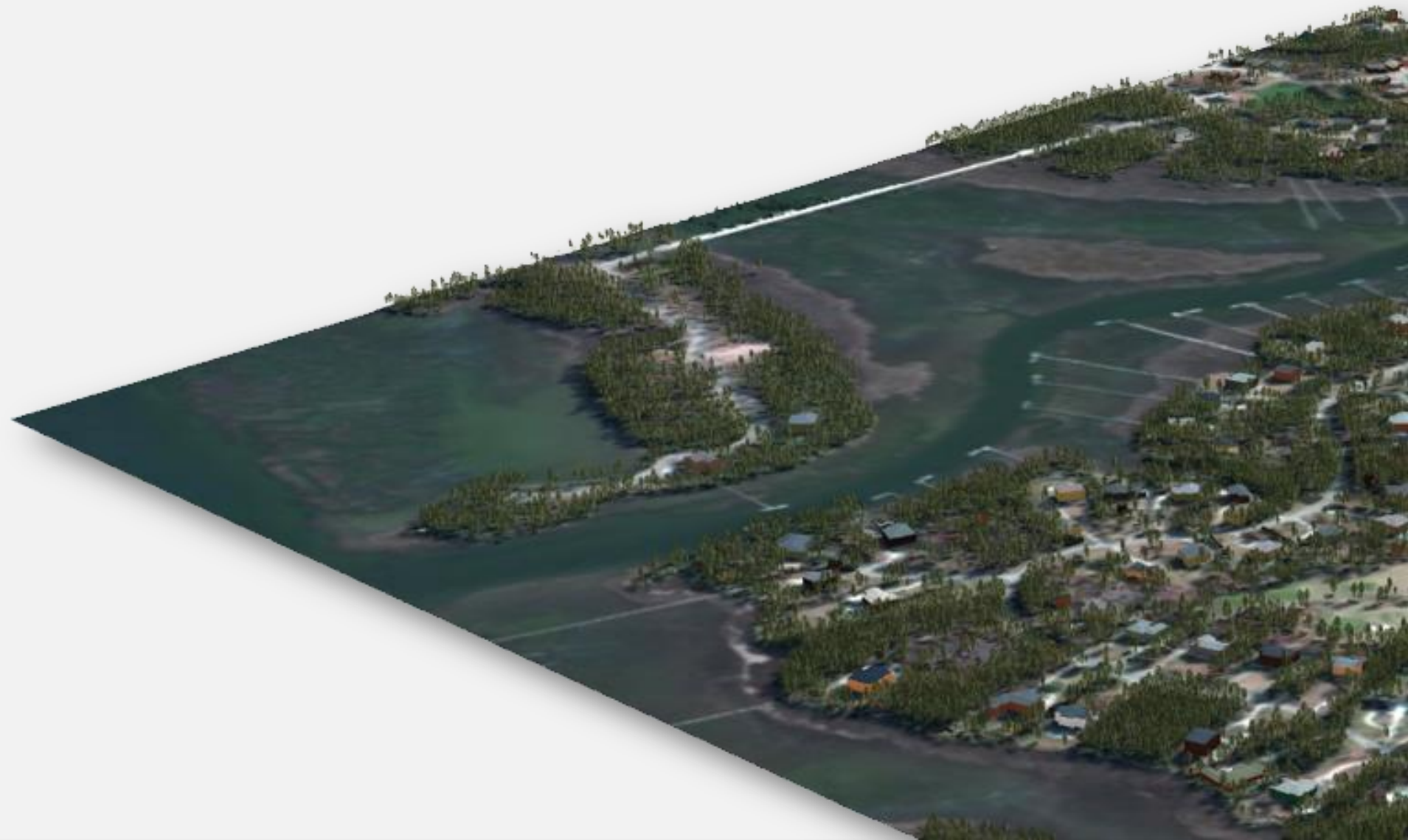


Esri

Adding Height Data to Features

PCI Geomatica & Overwatch Feature Analyst to Esri CityEngine



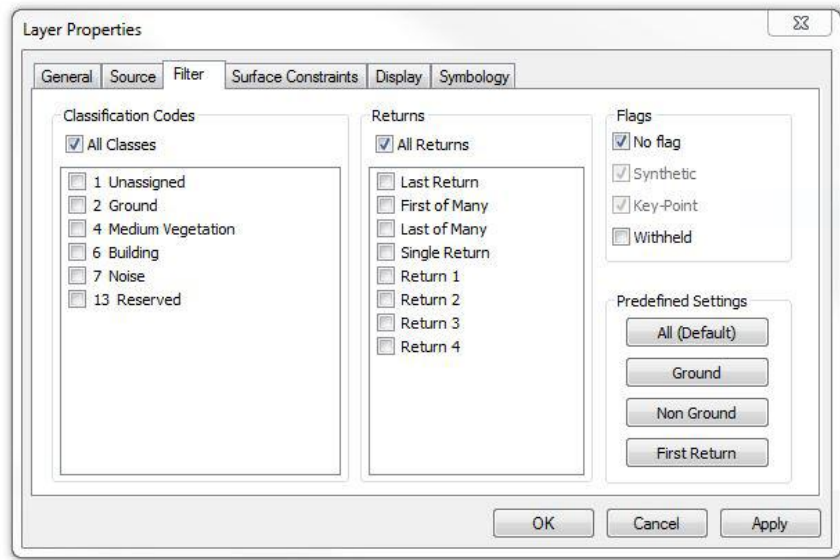


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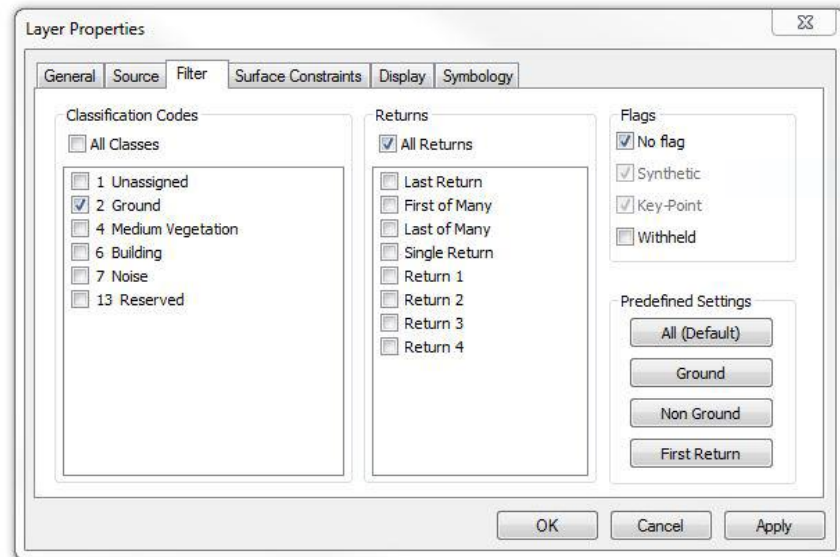
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Extracting Terrain & Surface Models from LiDAR

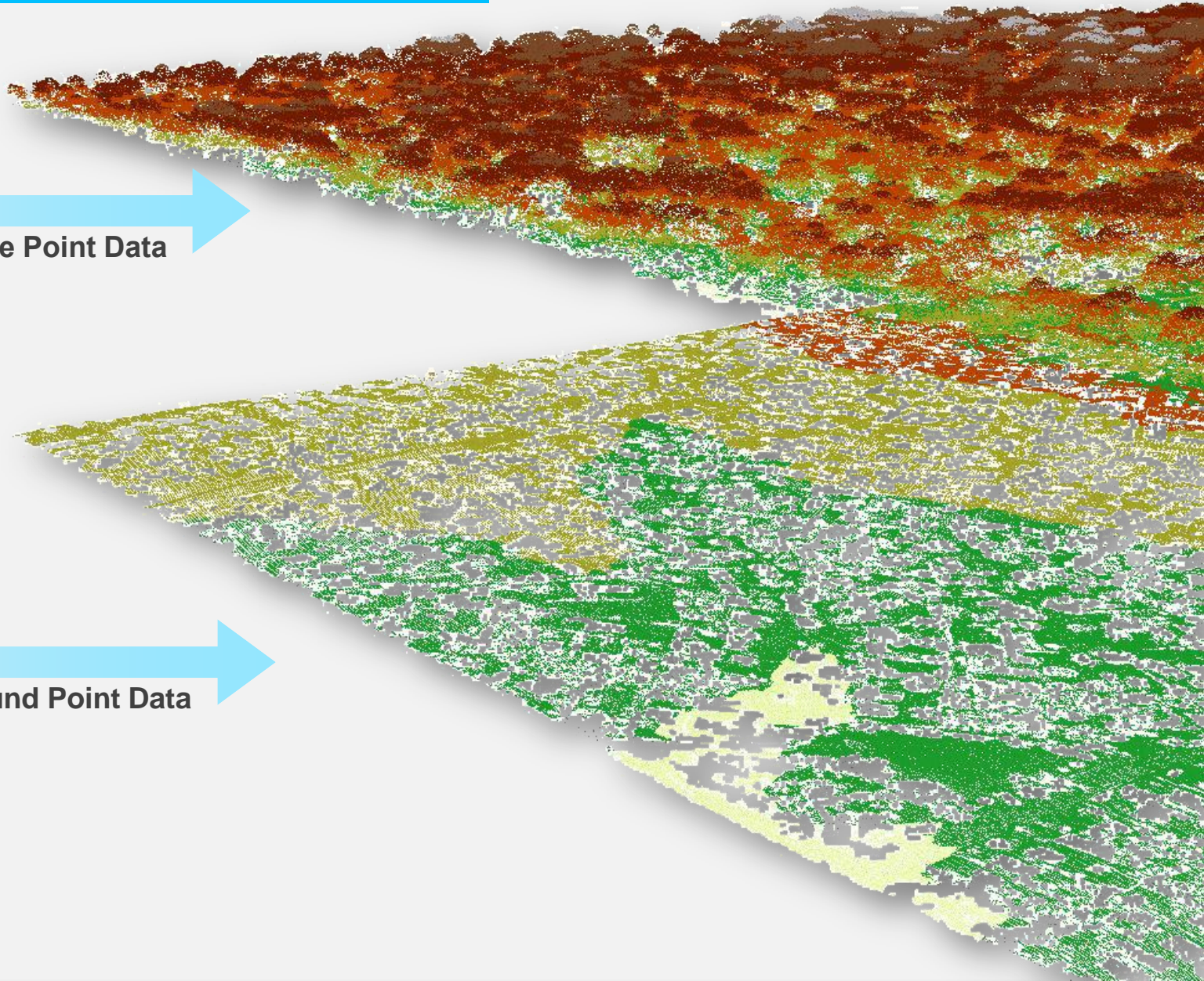
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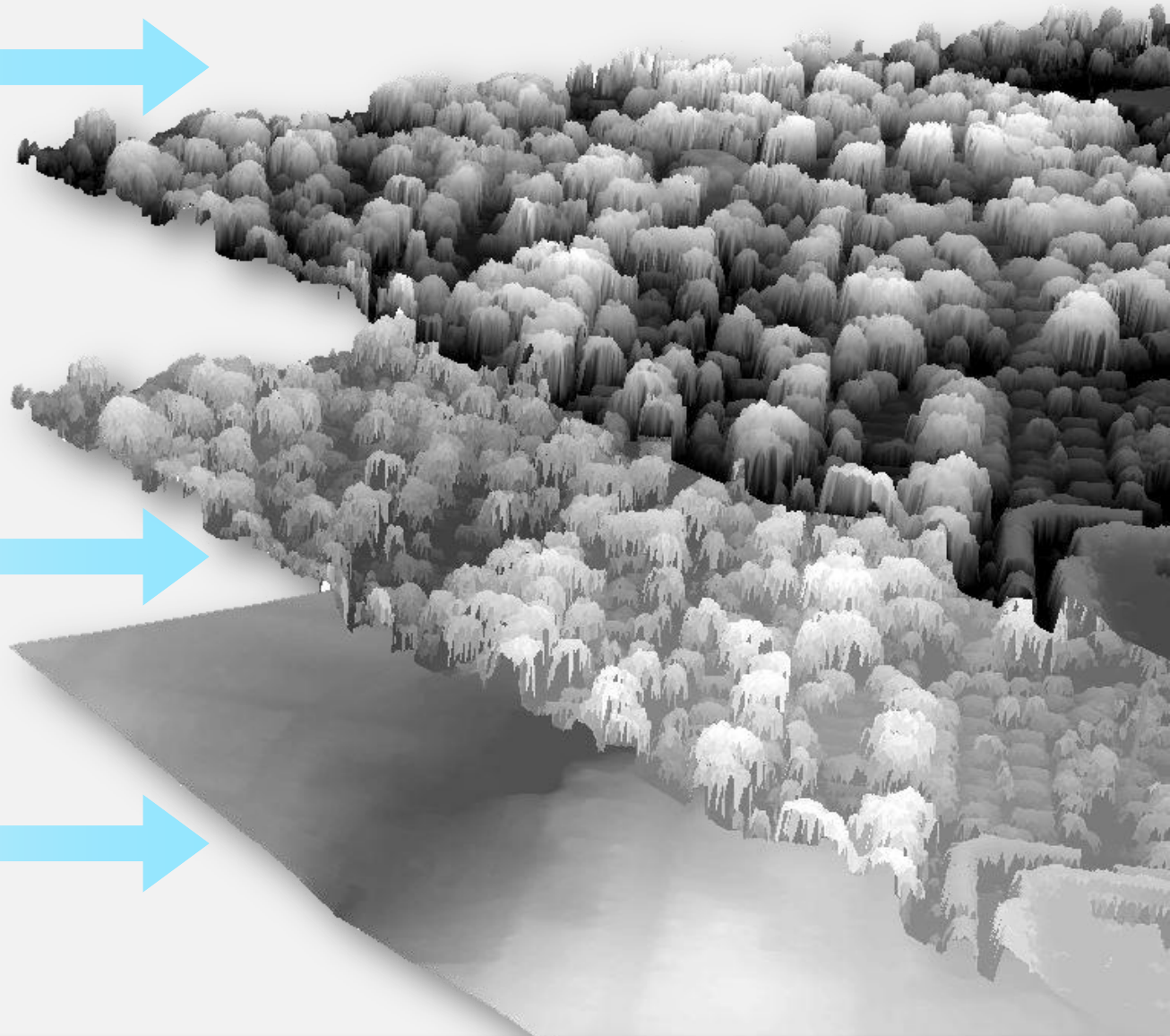
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DSM
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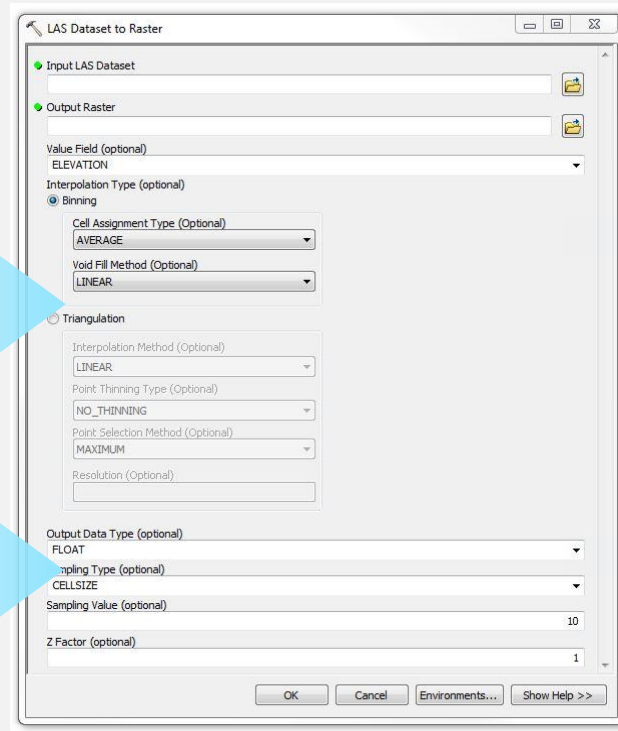
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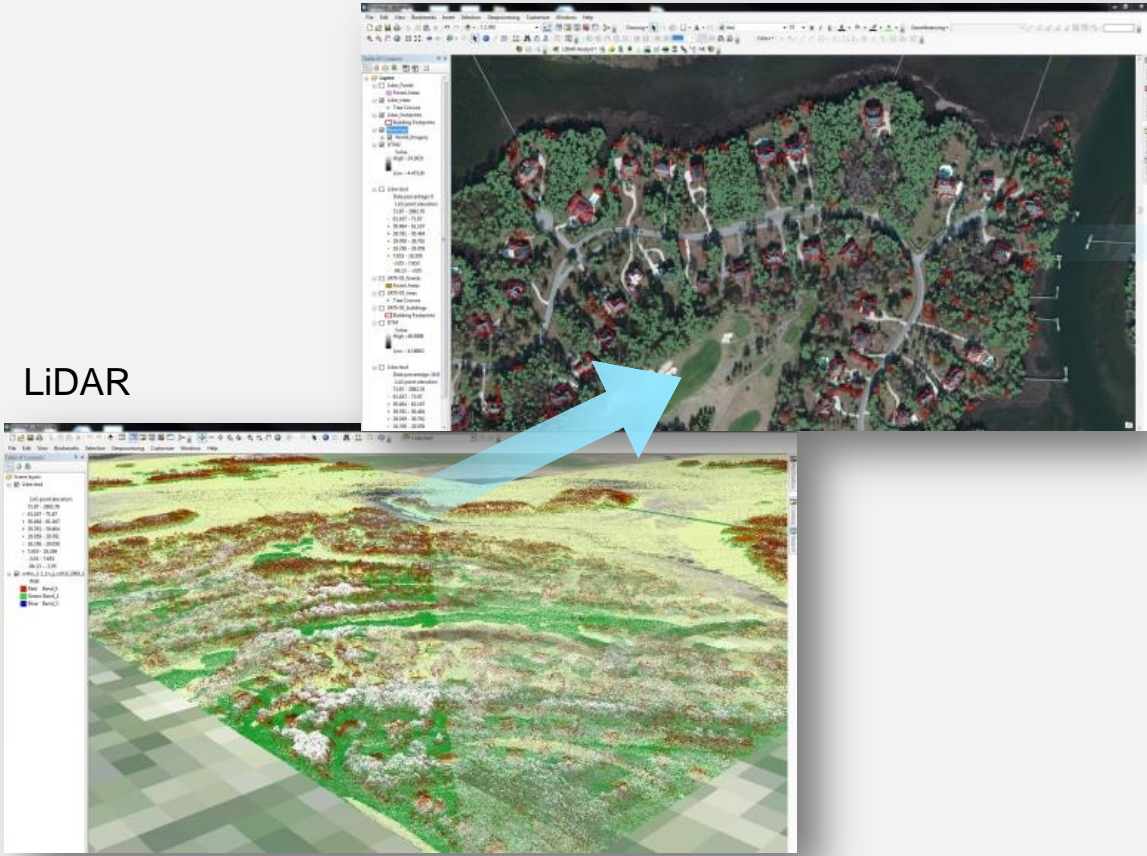
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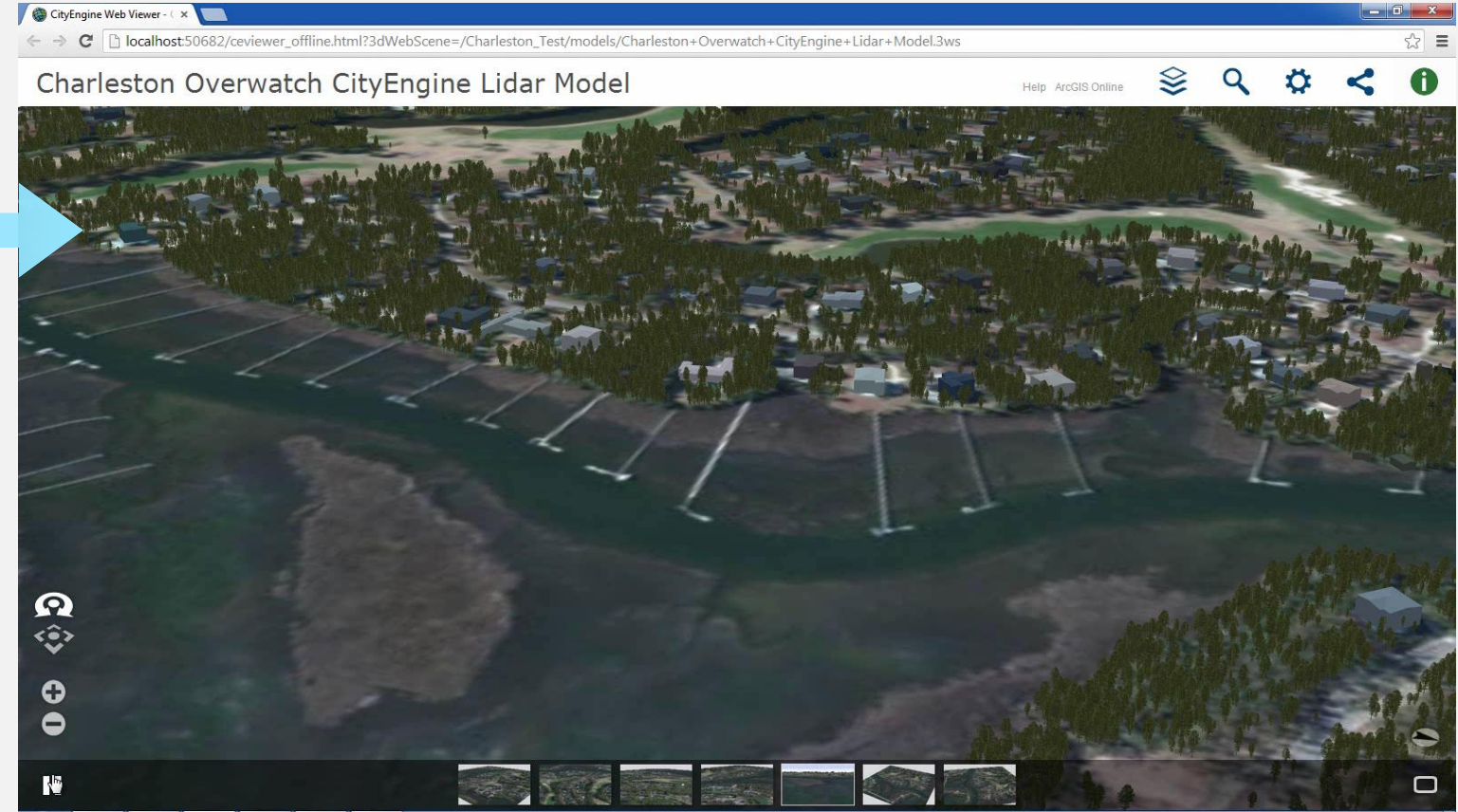
Process of extracting building footprints and Vegetation Data directly from LiDAR

ArcGIS Desktop & Overwatch LiDAR Analyst

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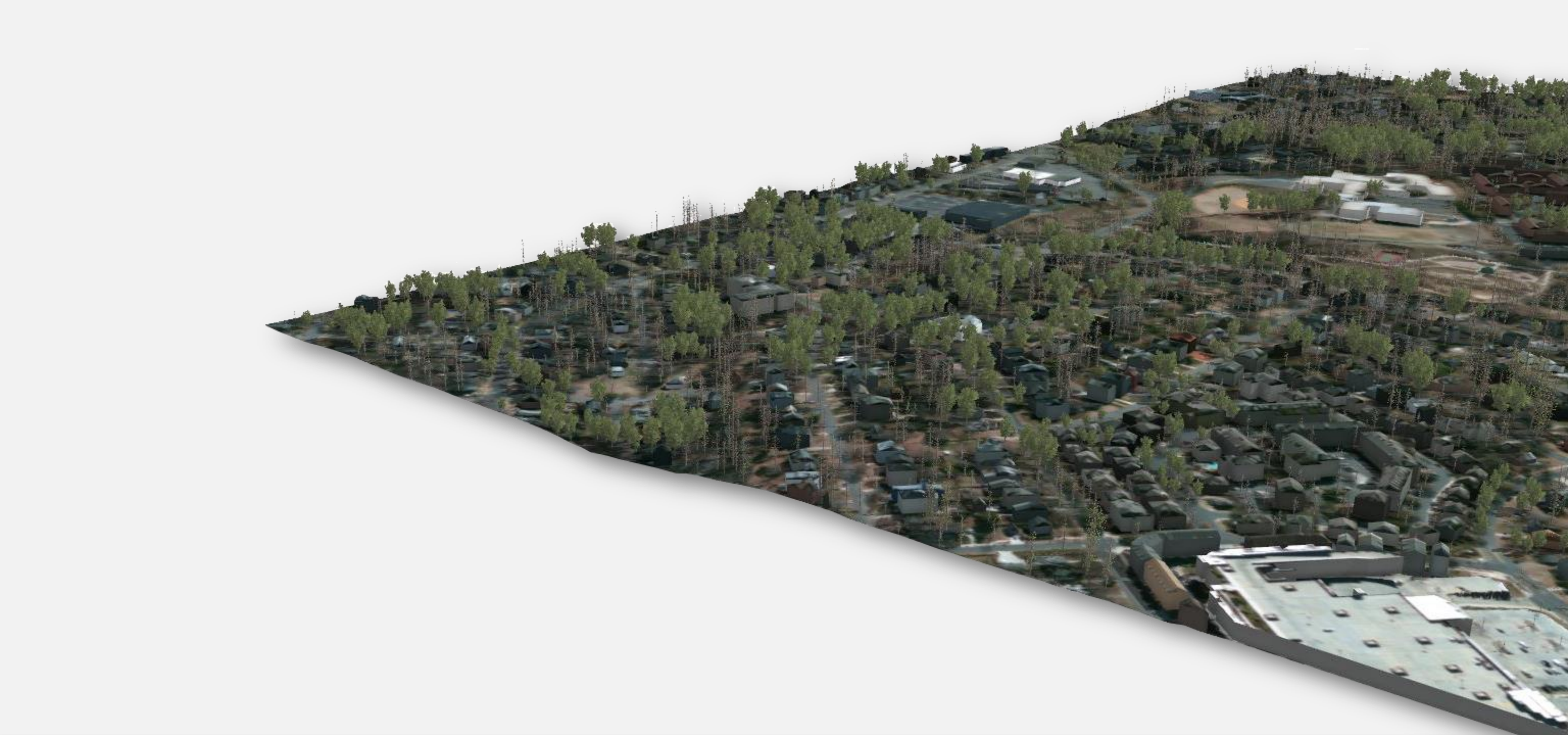


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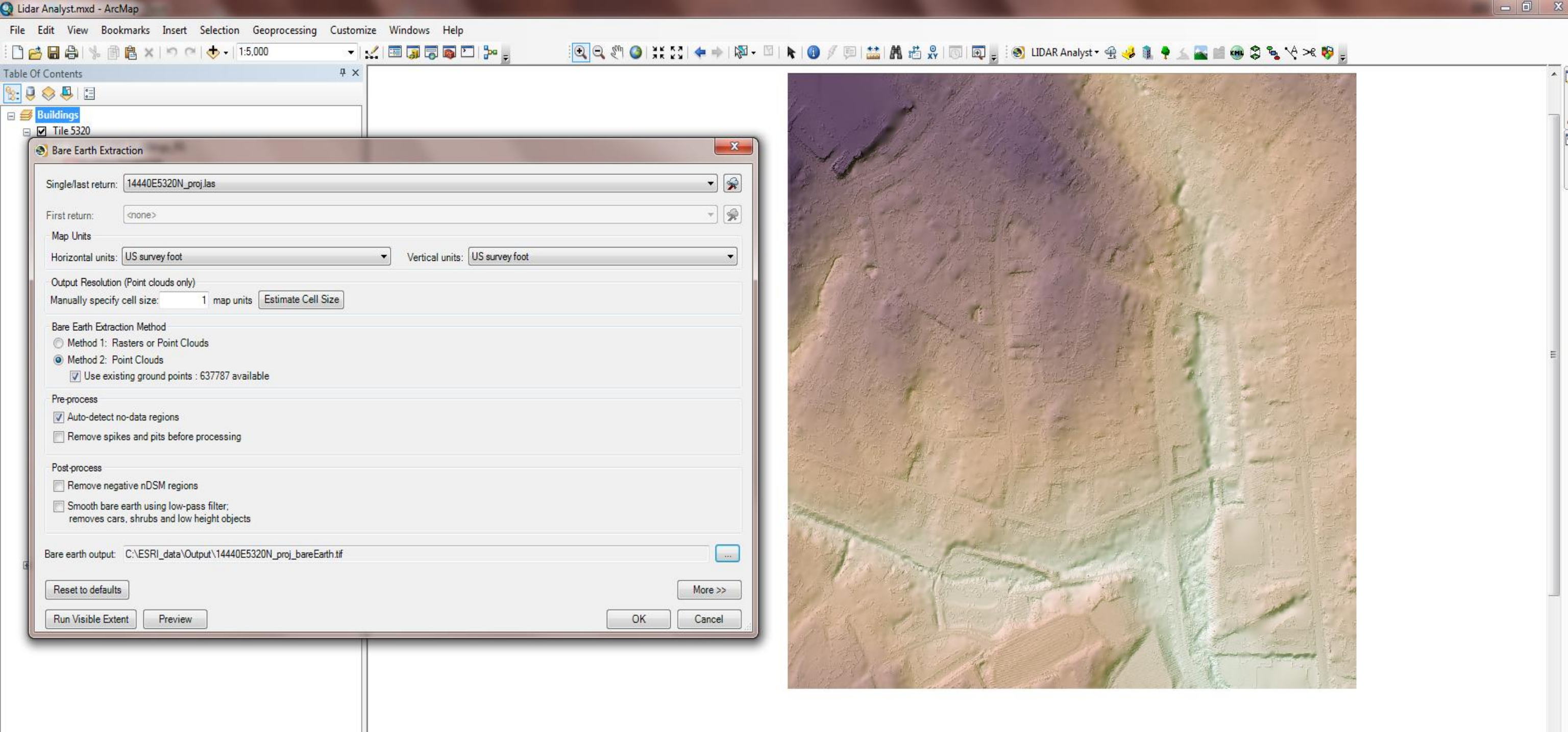
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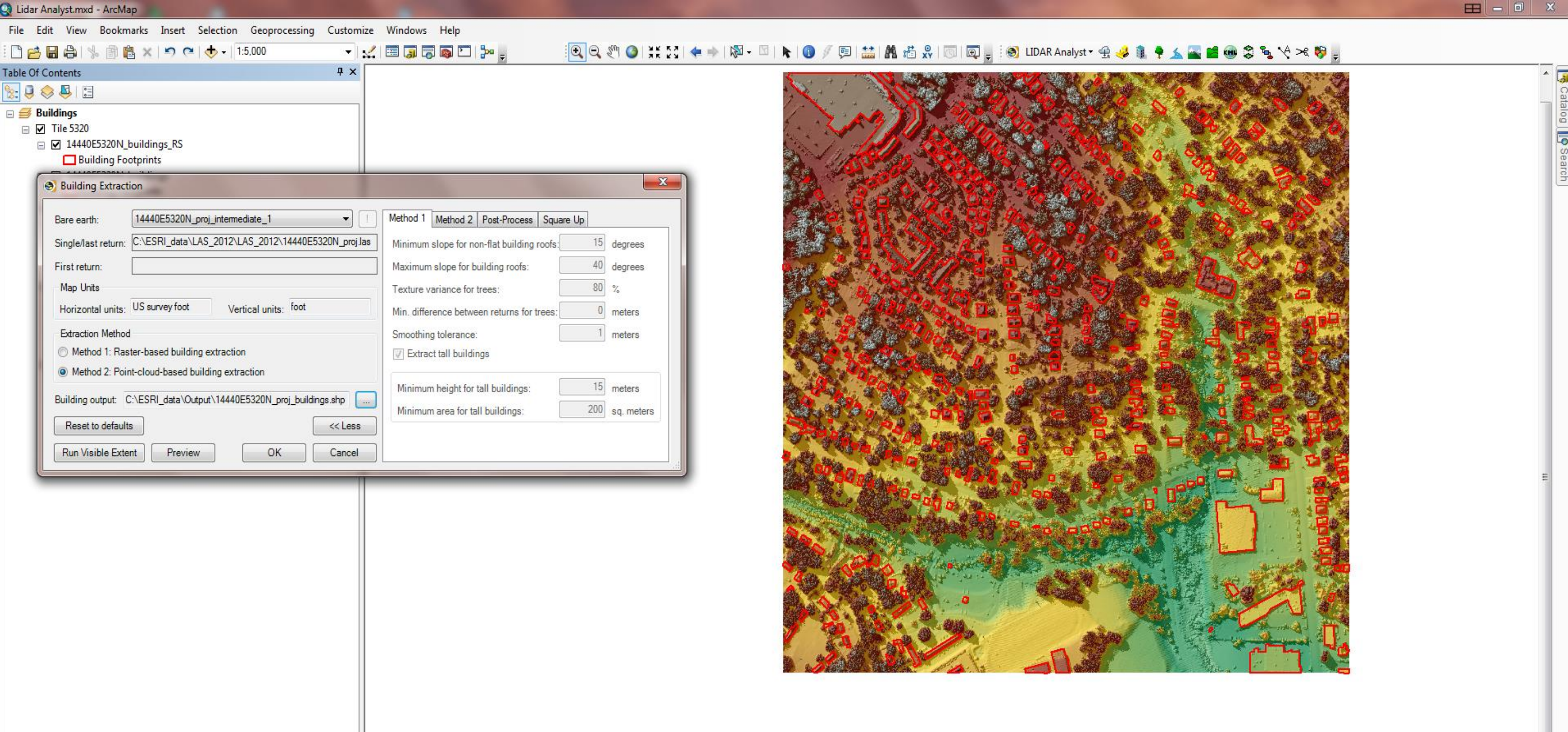


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Tree Extraction

Bare earth: 14440E5320N_proj_intermediate_1

Single/last return: C:\ESRI_data\LAS_2012\LAS_2012\14440E5320N_proj.las

First return:

Buildings: <none>

Map Units

Horizontal units: US survey foot Vertical units: foot

Extraction Method

- Method 1: Fixed window search (better for dense forests)
- Method 2: Variable window search (better at getting accurate crown widths)

Predominant tree/forest type: Mixed

Minimum tree height: 3 meters

Typical tree height: 40 meters

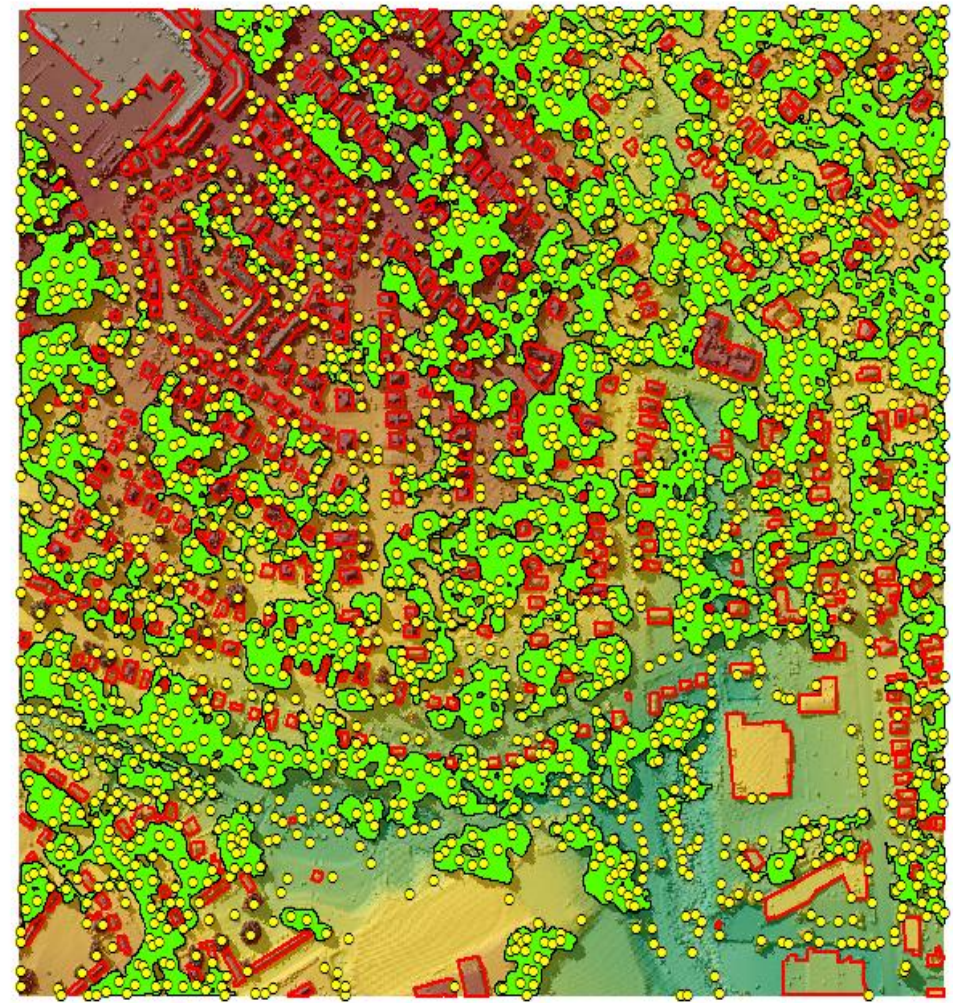
Minimum size of a forest: 600 sq. meters

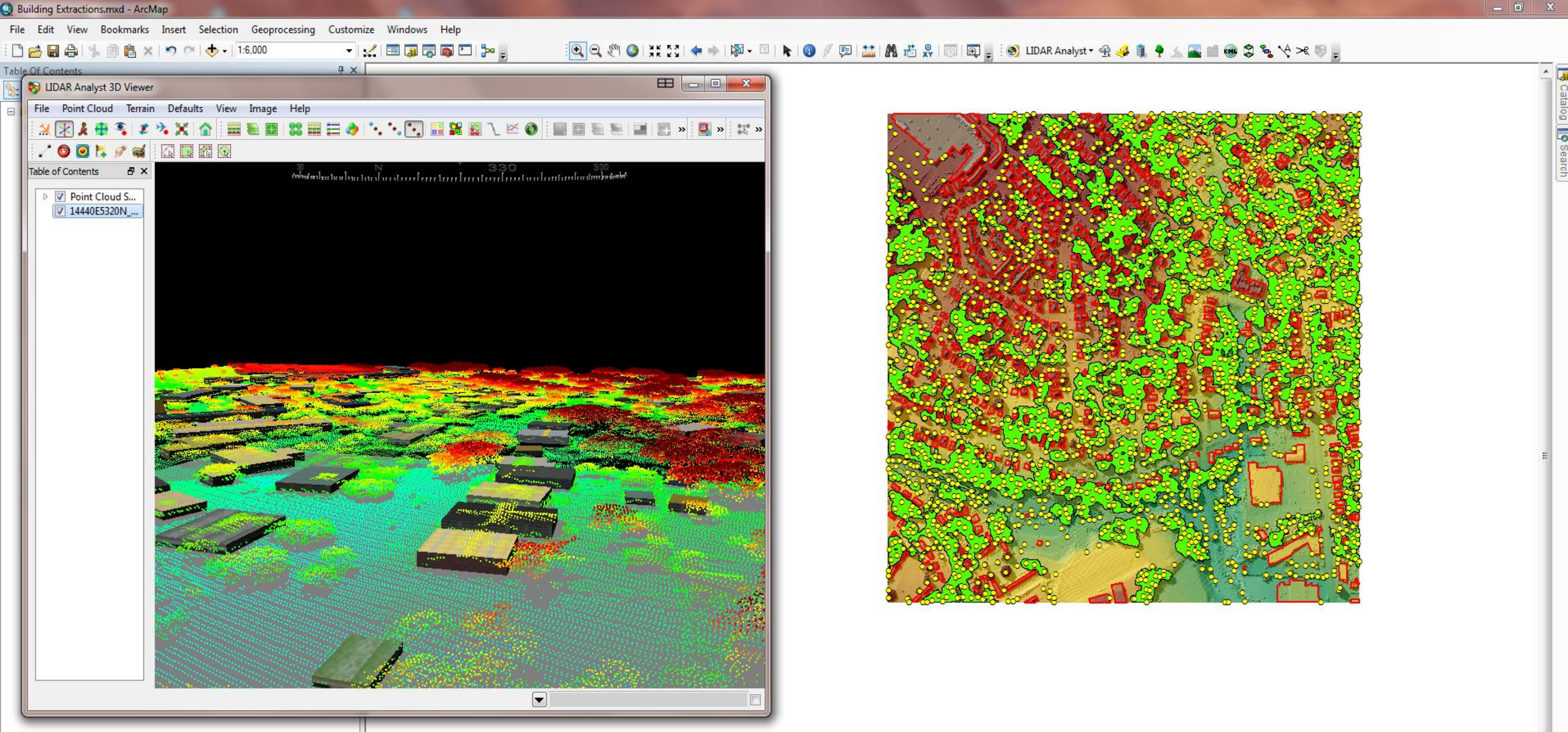
Output Files

- Tree points: C:\ESRI_data\Output\14440E5320N_proj_trees.shp
- Forest areas: C:\ESRI_data\Output\14440E5320N_proj_forests.shp

Reset to defaults

Run Visible Extent Preview OK Cancel





LiDAR Analyst

Overwatch

Extracting Features with LiDAR Analyst

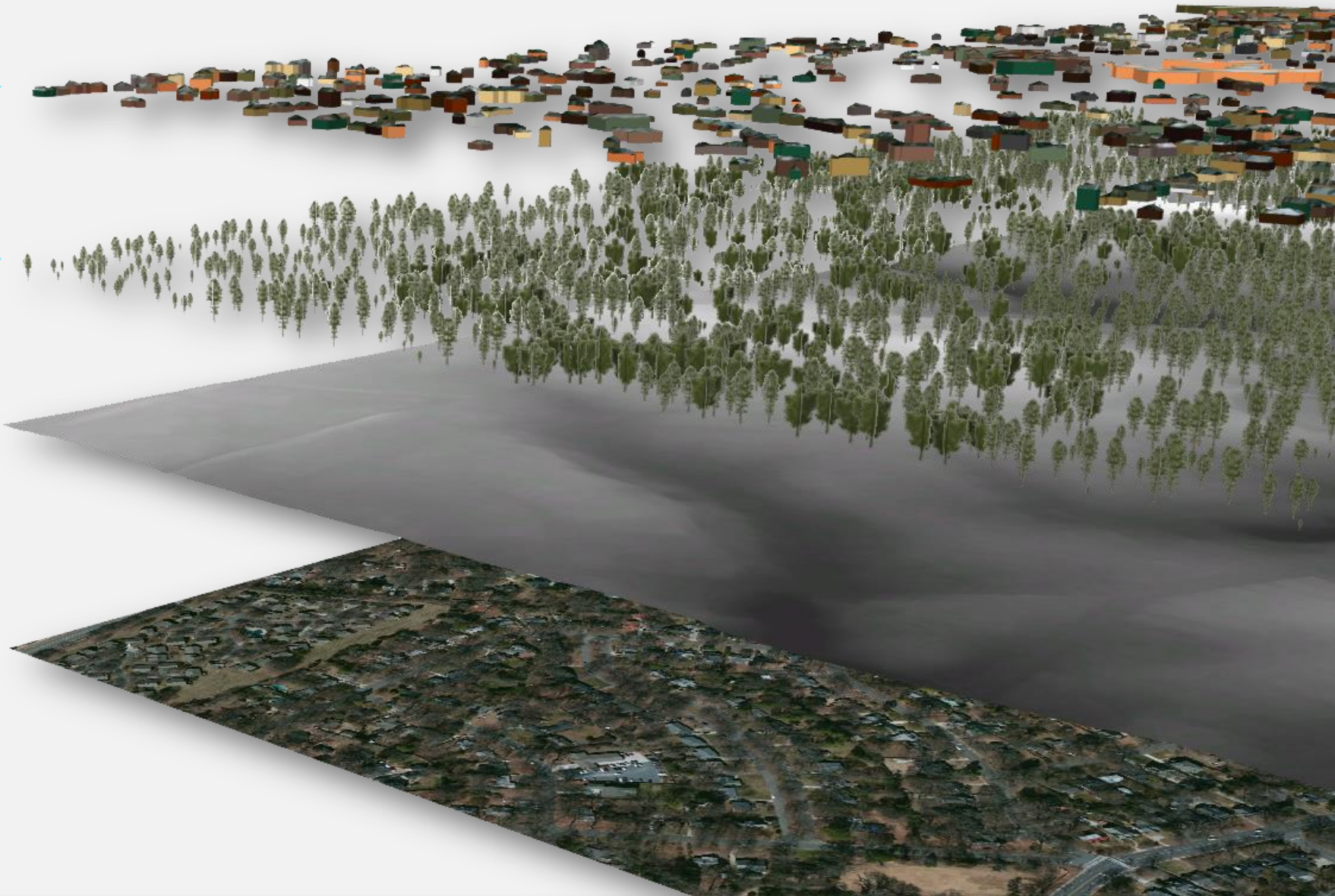
Process of extracting building footprints and Vegetation Data directly from LiDAR



Building Footprints with Height
Extract Building Footprints with Height Data

Vegetation Data
Extract Vegetation Point and Height Data

Bare Earth Raster
Digital Elevation Model


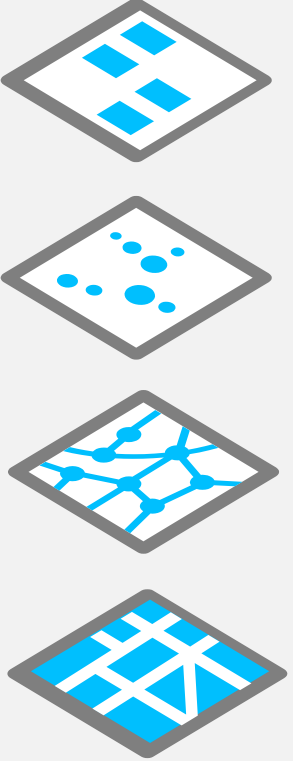


Overwatch Lidar Analyst to Esri CityEngine



CityEngine Compatible Geospatial Data Formats

Vector Data

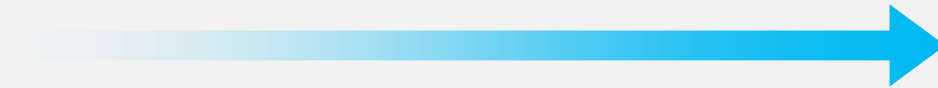


3D City Information Model

Recommended Format




File Geodatabase (.gdb)



Shapefile (.shp)


Imagery

Orthoimagery



(Imagery to Drape on Terrain)

DEM or DTM



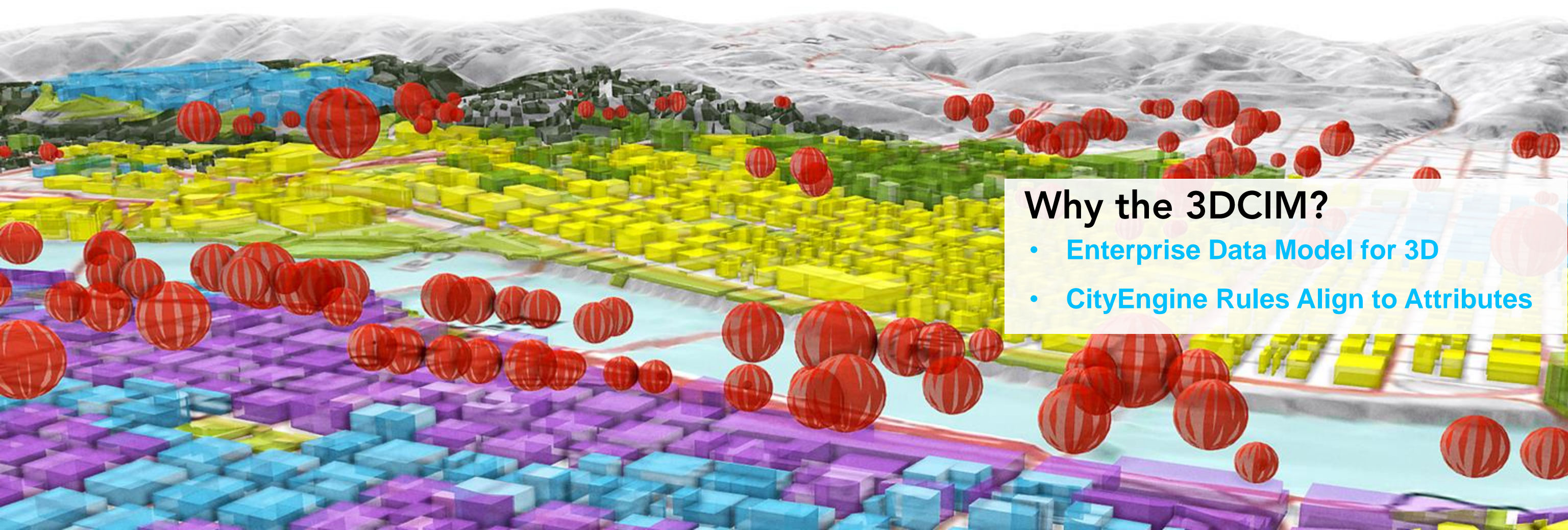
(Elevation Model)



GeoTIFF (.tif)

Required Format

3D City Information Model



Why the 3DCIM?

- Enterprise Data Model for 3D
- CityEngine Rules Align to Attributes

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The Esri Geometry API for Java enables developers to write custom applications for analysis of spatial data. This API is used in the Esri GIS Tools for Hadoop and other 3rd-party data processing solutions.

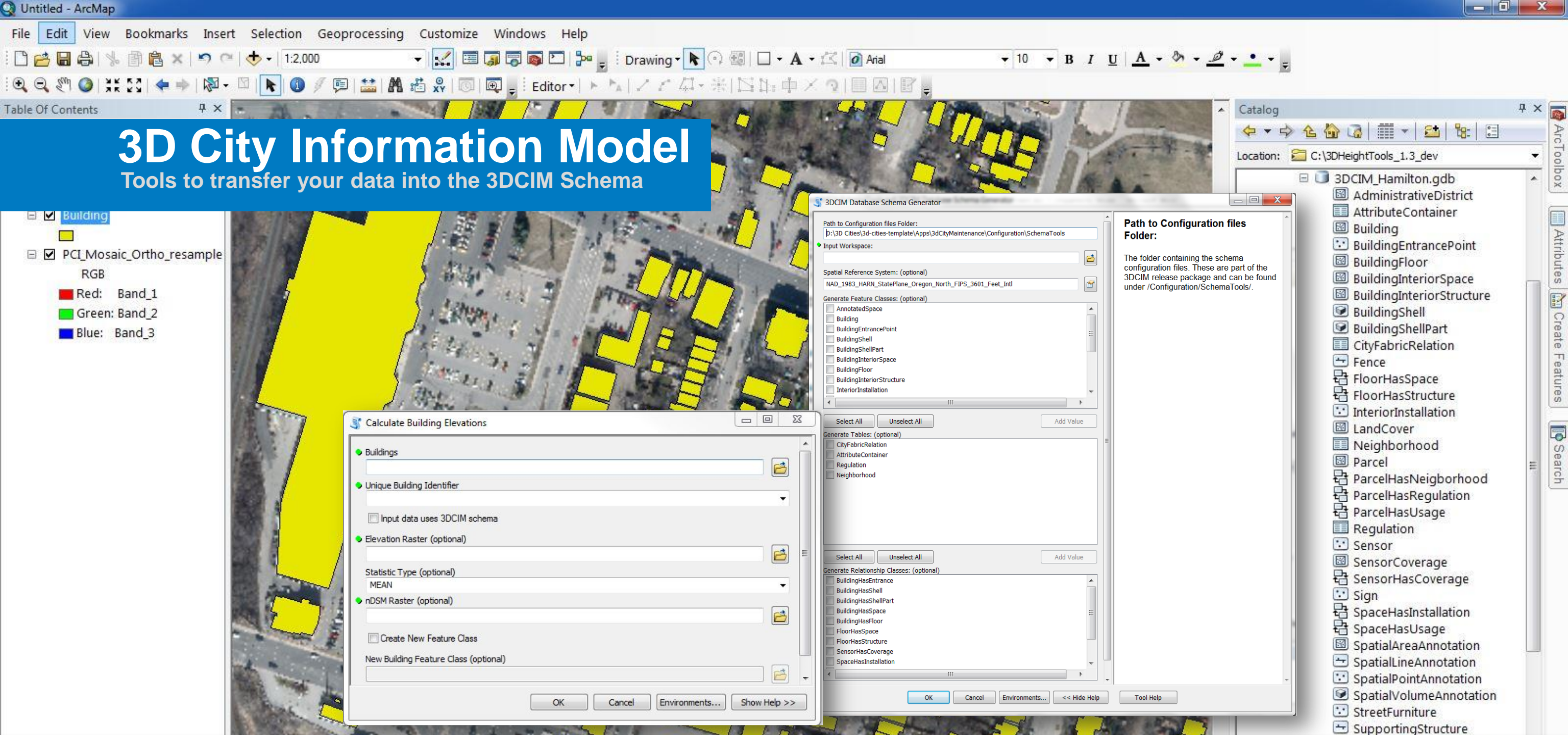
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bootstrap-map-js



3D City Information Model

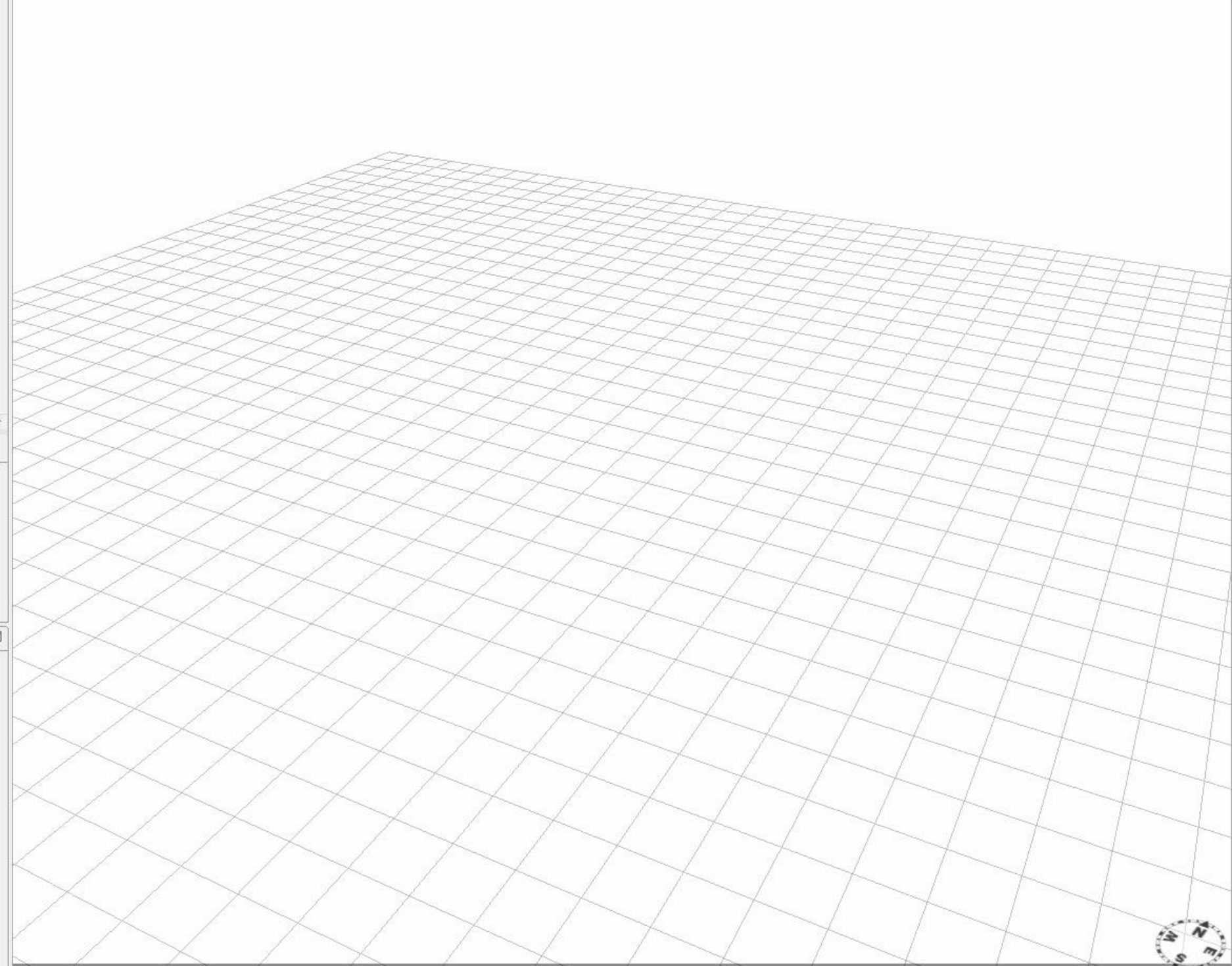
Tools to transfer your data into the 3DCIM Schema

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3D City Information Model (3DCIM)

- Navigator
- 3D_City_Design_Transportation_2013
- 3D_City_Vegetation_with_LumenRT_Models
- CityEngine Essential Skills Training

Viewport Perspective View | 1 Object | 12232 Polygons



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Grid Size 100 | CityEngine CS [meters]



3D Basemaps

3D content and 3D basemaps preview





Water Bodies

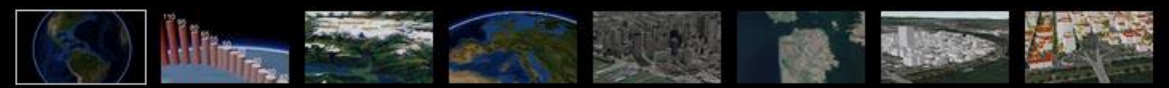
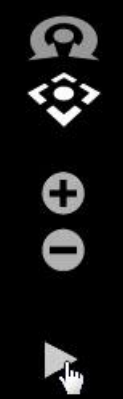
3D Buildings with proper rooflines

Trees

2D Buildings extruded with flat roofs

3D Cities Basemap

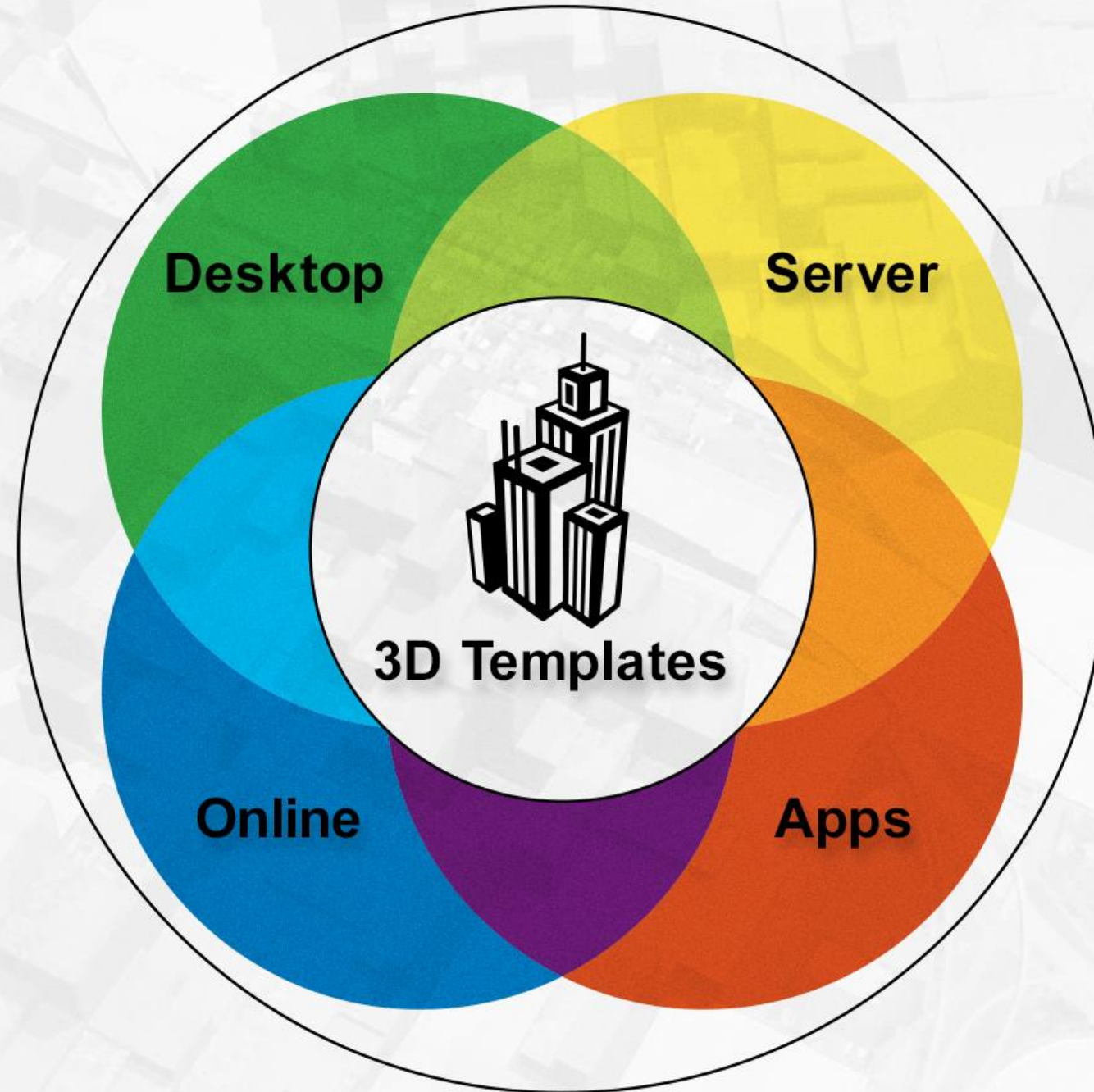
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Visualize Your City



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3D Services



Web Scenes
3D Basemaps

3D Runtime

3D City: Levels of Detail

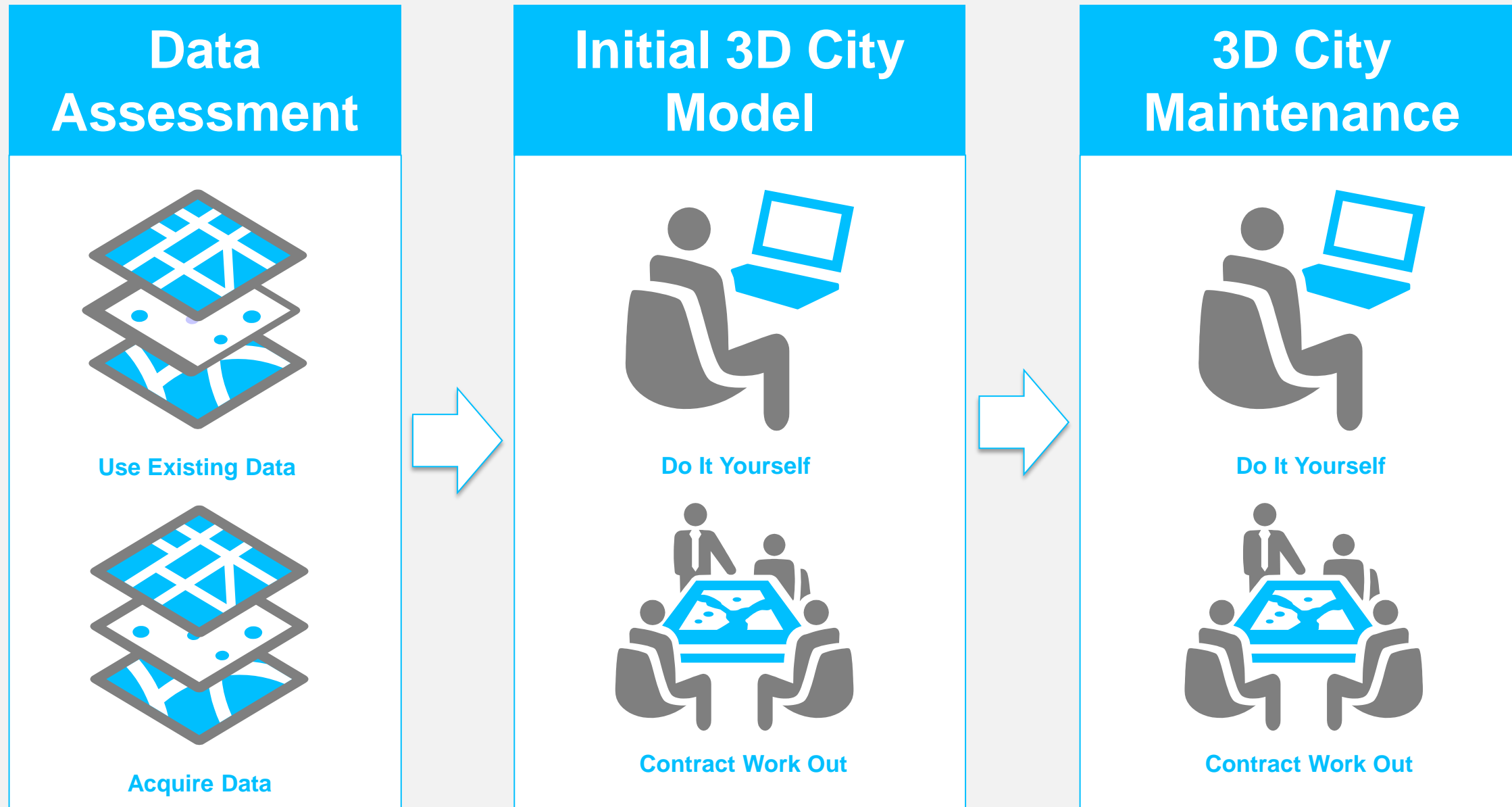


Level of Detail	1	2	3	4
Definition:	3D Extrusion	3D Extrusion with Roof Form or Building Shell	High Detail 3D Building Models	Interior Spaces and Floors
Data Required:				
Building Footprints	# of Stories or Total Height & or Usage	# of Stories or Total Height or Usage & if available Roof Height	3D Building Shell with Fine details (Textured or Untextured)	3D Building Shell Interior Spaces (CAD or BIM)
Streets	Street Centerlines	Street Centerlines with Width attributed	Detailed Streets (CAD)	Street Furniture, Stop Lights, Signage, Infrastructure lines (GIS/CAD)

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for 3D Cities

3D City Modeling Process & Options



Next Steps

Smart 3D City

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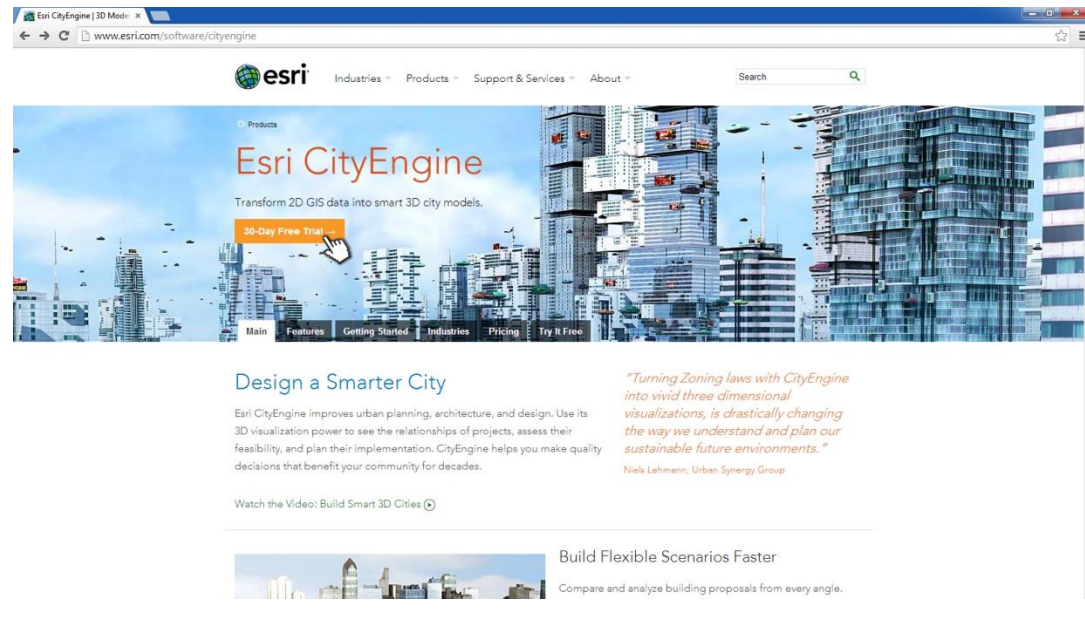
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The screenshot shows the Esri CityEngine website. At the top, there is a navigation bar with the Esri logo and links for Industries, Products, Support & Services, and About. A search bar is also present. The main content area features a large 3D city model with a prominent orange button that says "30-Day Free Trial". Below this, there is a section titled "Design a Smarter City" with a sub-headline "Transform 2D GIS data into smart 3D city models." and a paragraph of text. To the right of this text is a quote: "Turning Zoning laws with CityEngine into vivid three dimensional visualizations, is drastically changing the way we understand and plan our sustainable future environments." attributed to Niels Lehmann, Urban Synergy Group. At the bottom of the screenshot, there is a section titled "Build Flexible Scenarios Faster" with a sub-headline "Compare and analyze building proposals from every angle." and a small image of a city model.



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