

Urban ecosystem accounting for Oslo – policy motivations

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Session discussion points

Key policy issues and indicators

Defining the relevant spatial units

Measuring condition

Describing the key ecosystem services
and valuation options

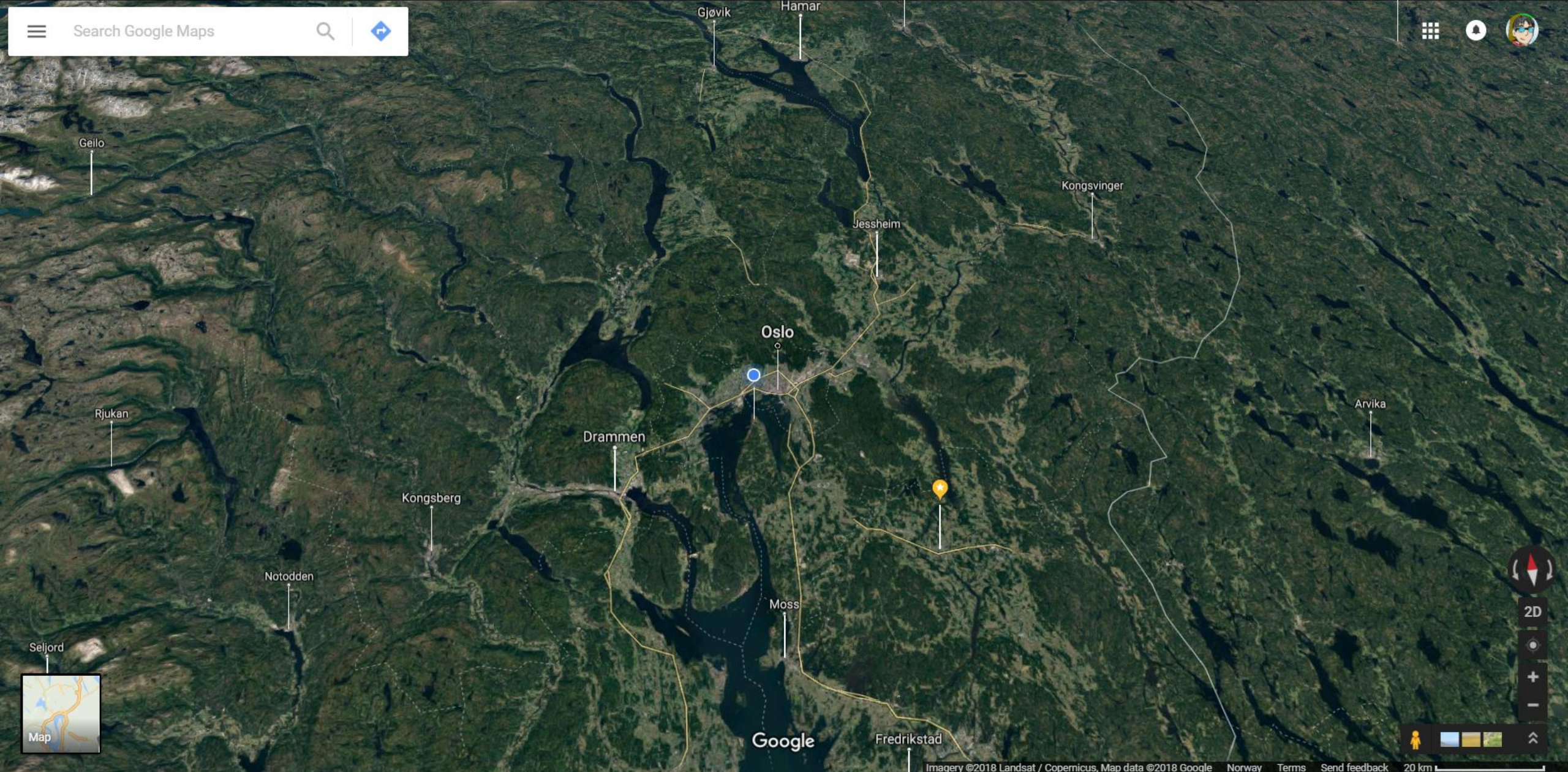


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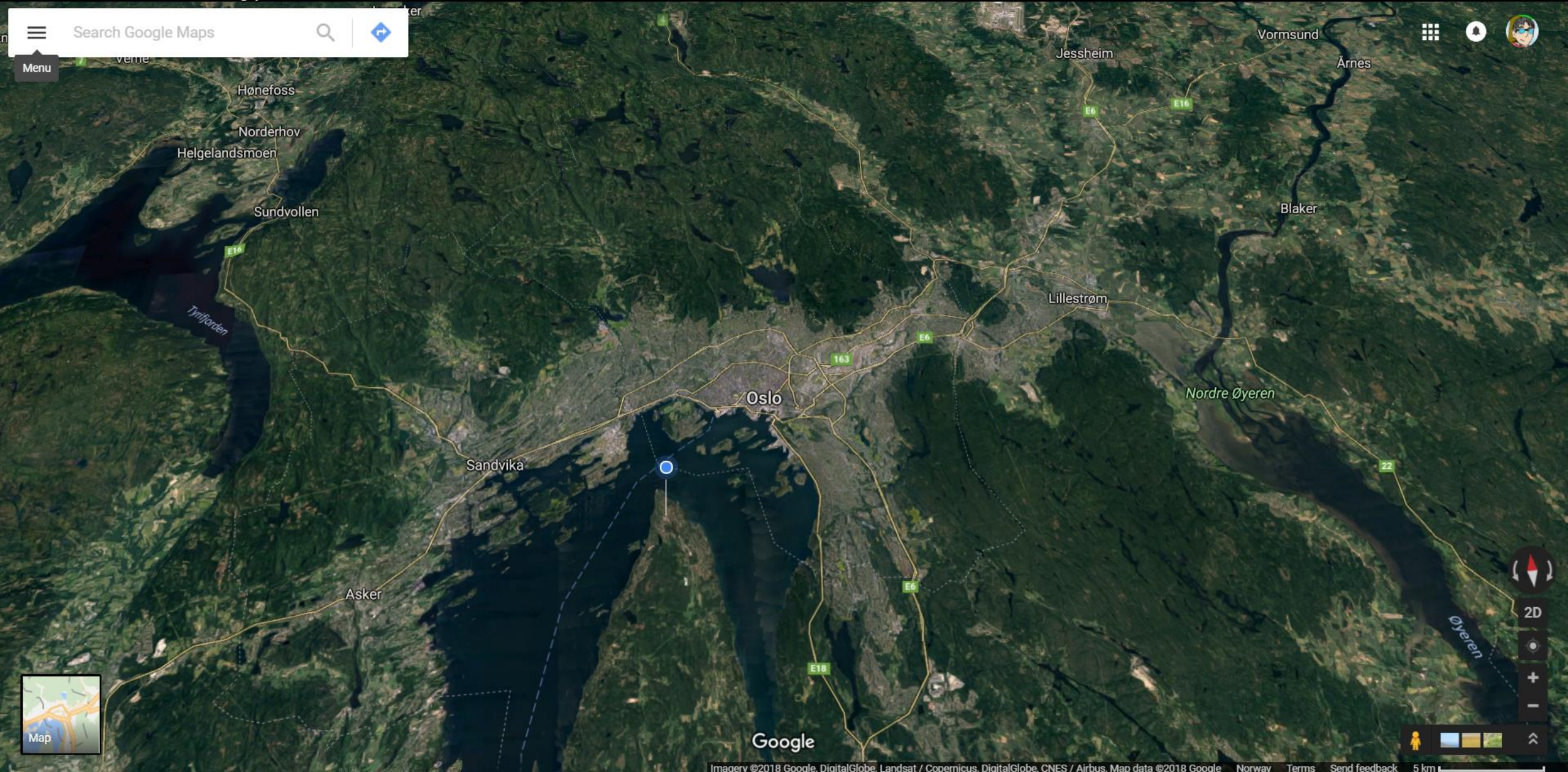
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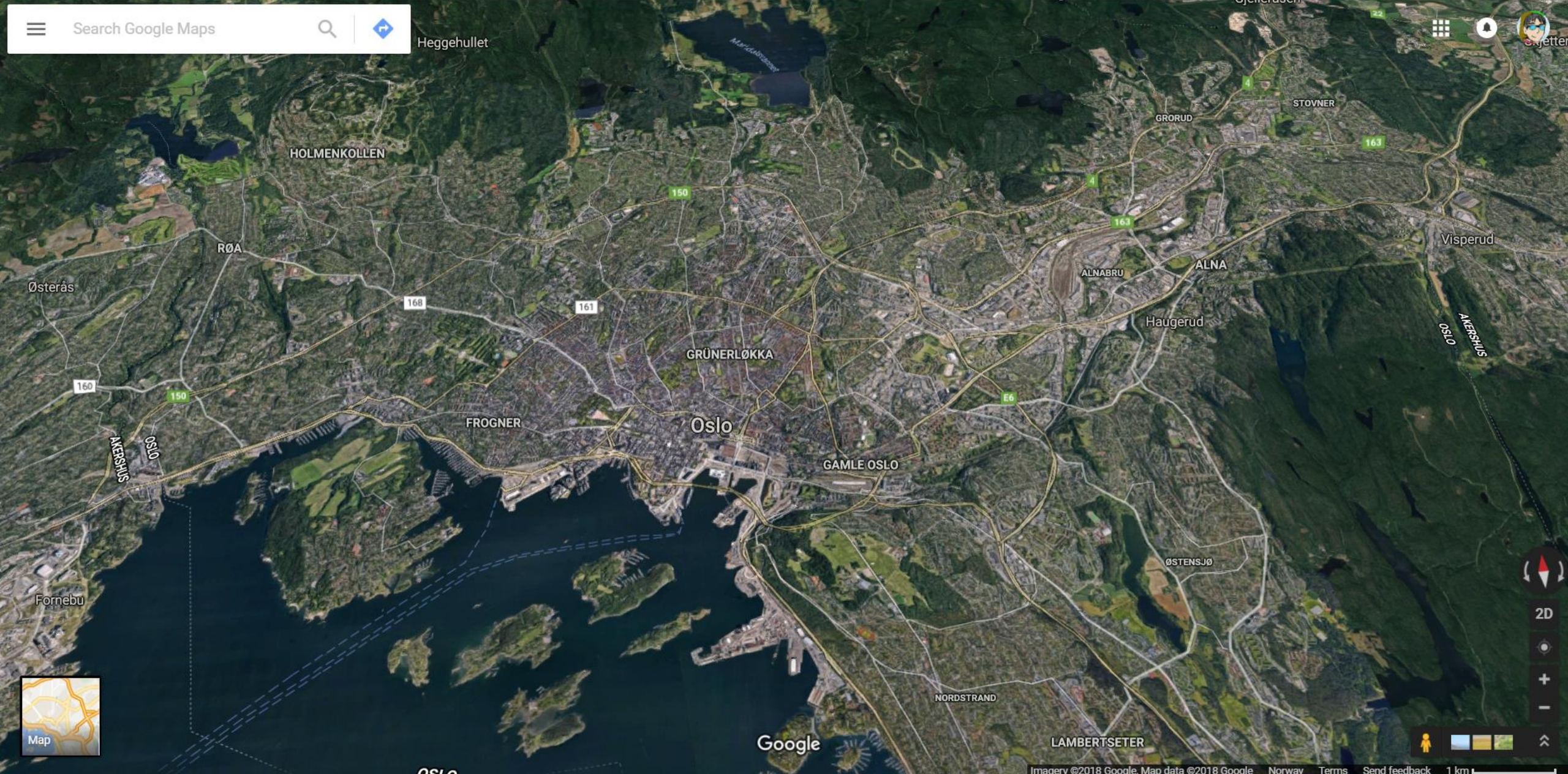
Describing the key ecosystem
services and valuation options



Oslo Region – trends in urban extent – sprawl?



Oslo Municipality – trends land use composition (built, forest, agriculture)



Oslo built zone - zoning of development, restoration



City district - accessibility to services

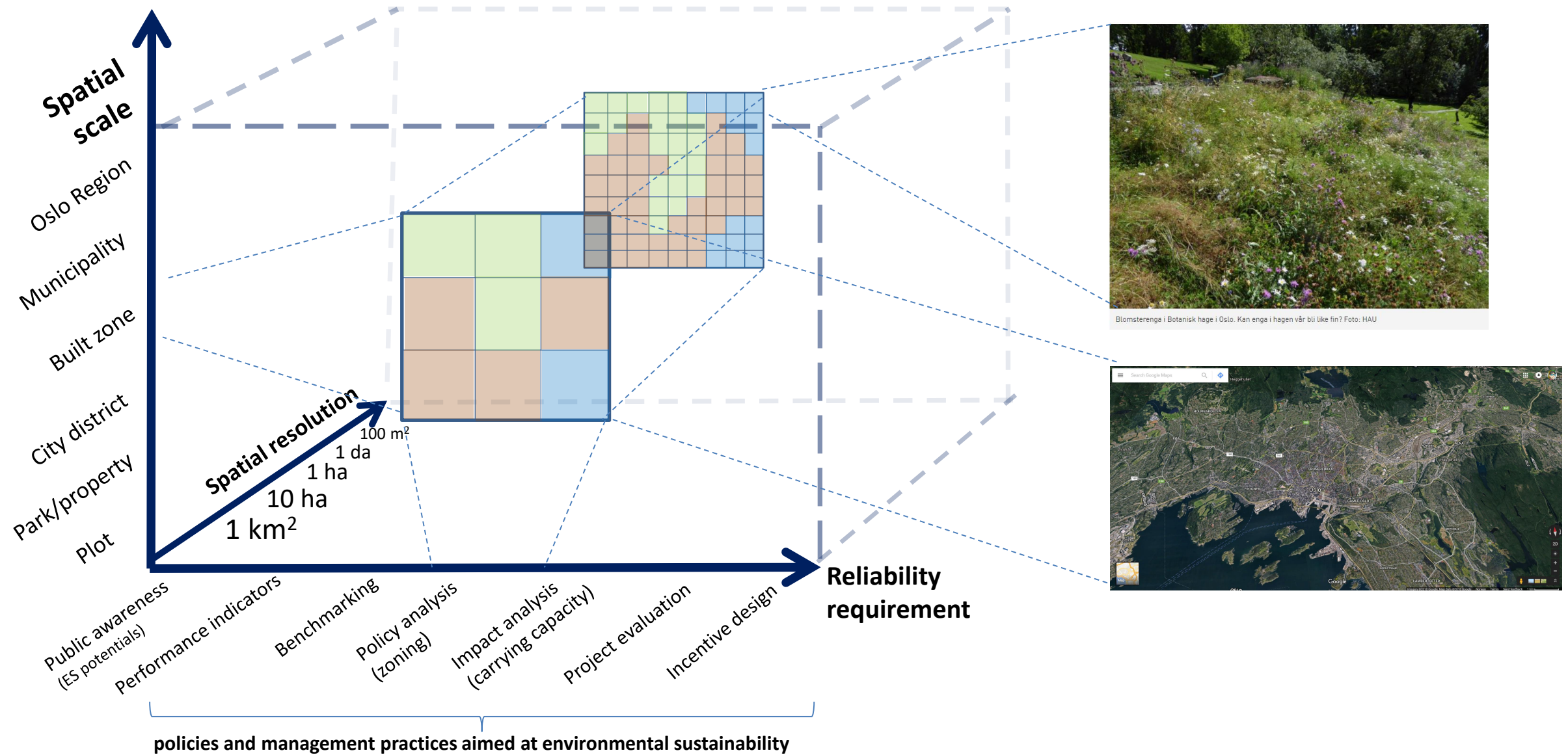


City park – landuse management



Lawn or meadow - land use practice

Policy purposes and ecosystem services mapping and assessment



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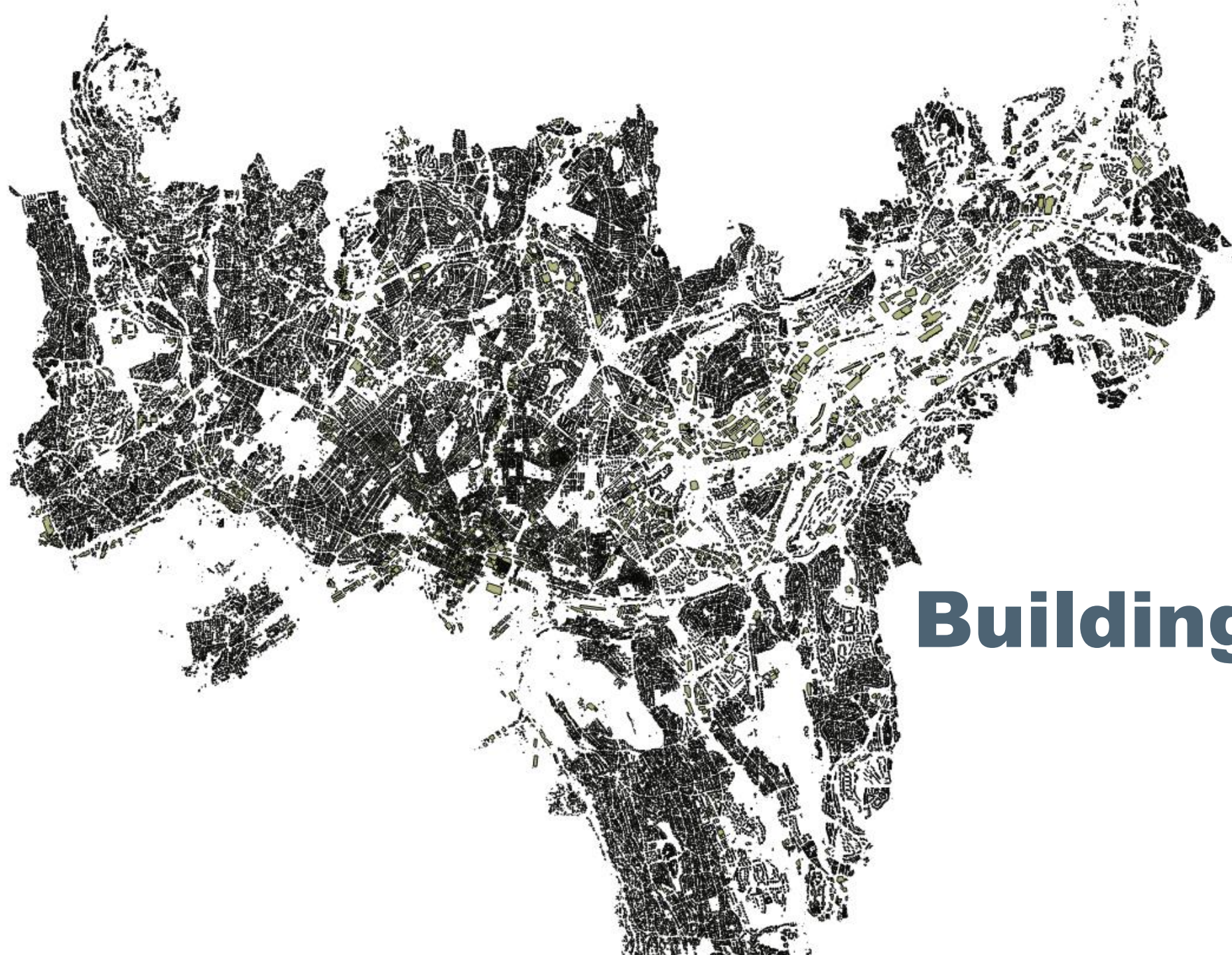
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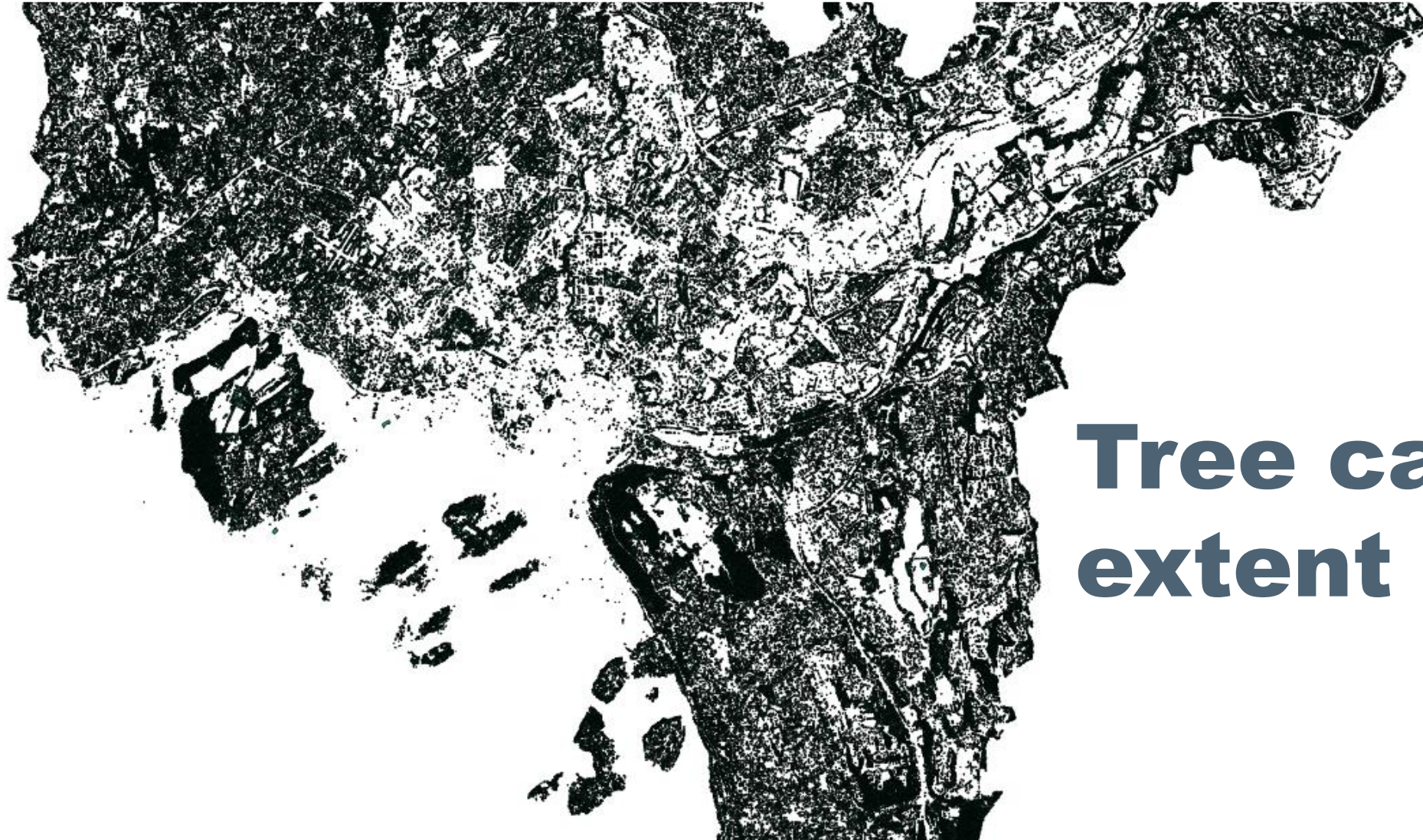


Building extent



???? ??????
extent

| | Inner city (within ring road 2) | Total of Oslo's built zone |
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| Total building area (ha) | 410 has | 2244 has |
| Total tree canopy area (ha) | 512 has | 5031 has |



**Tree canopy
extent**

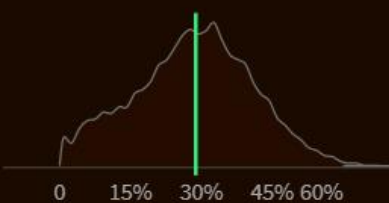
Lidar detected Tree canopy



Oslo

Green View Index

28.8%



Recreation and city street condition

Green view index (Google Street View)

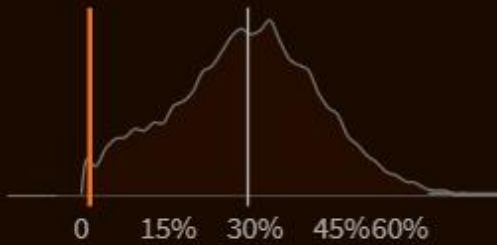


Index of condition for recreation in city streets?

Green View Index



1.5%



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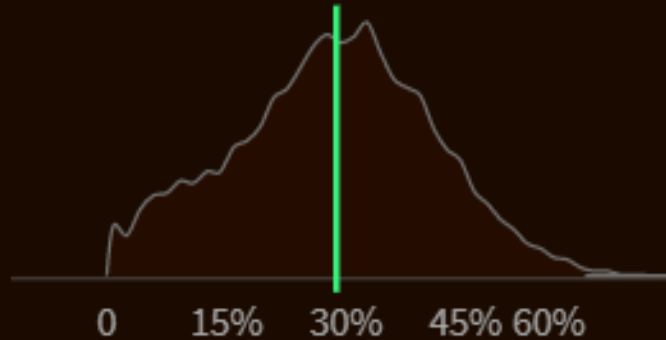


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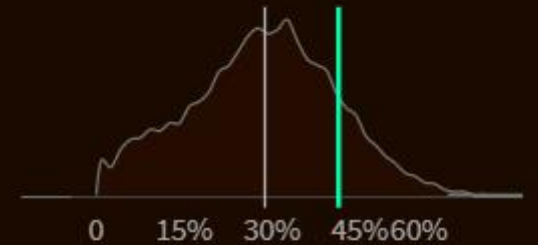
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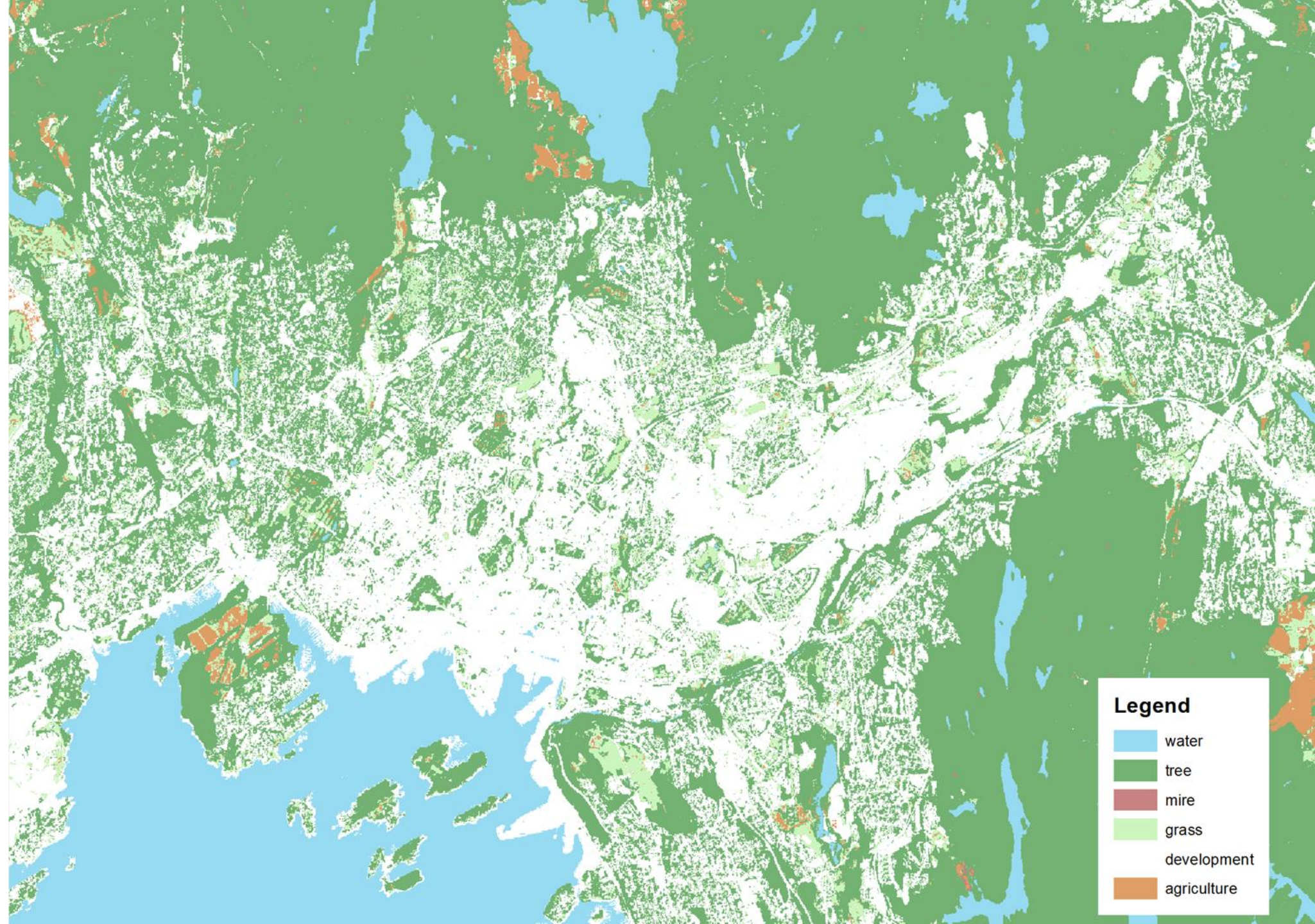
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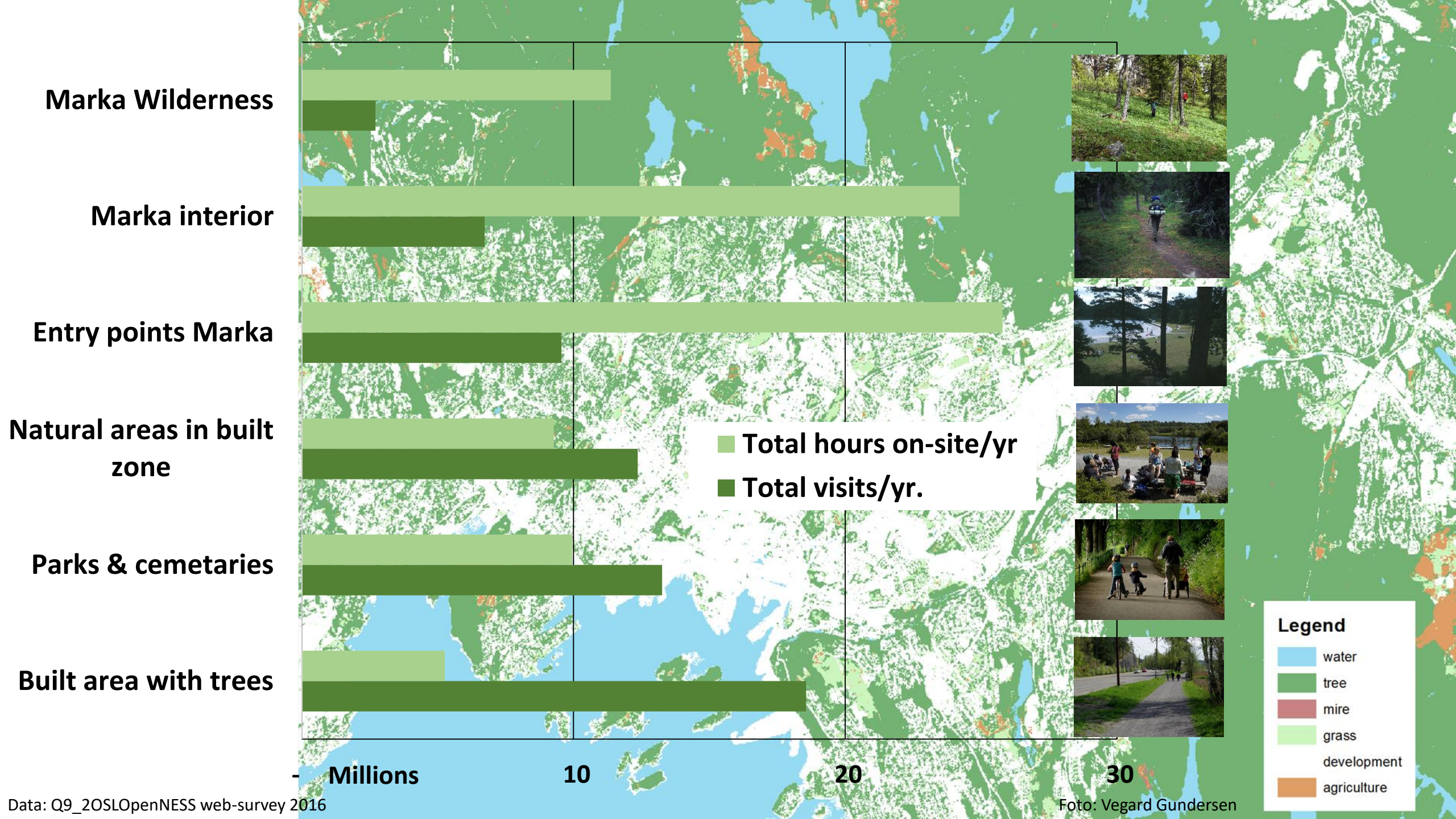
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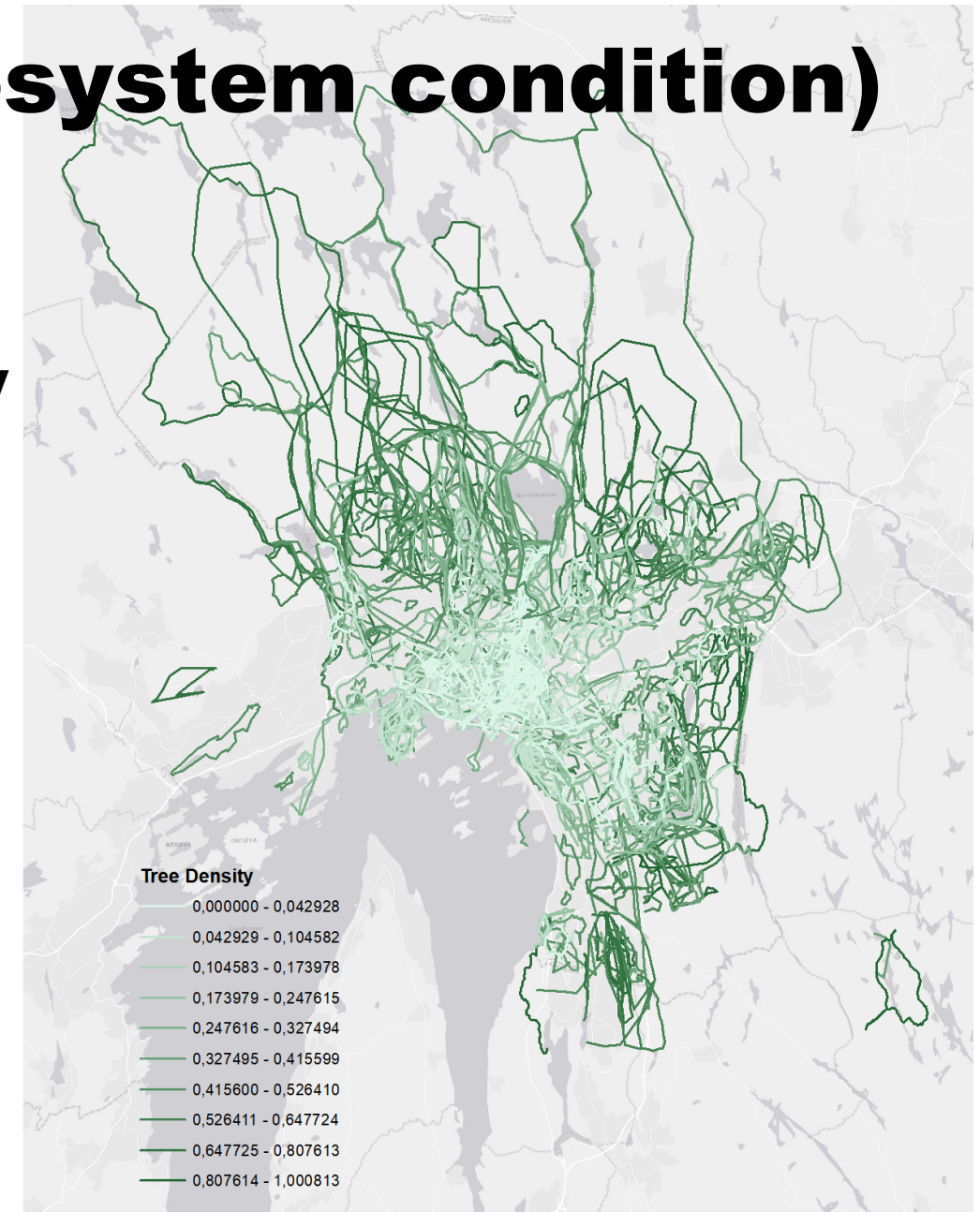
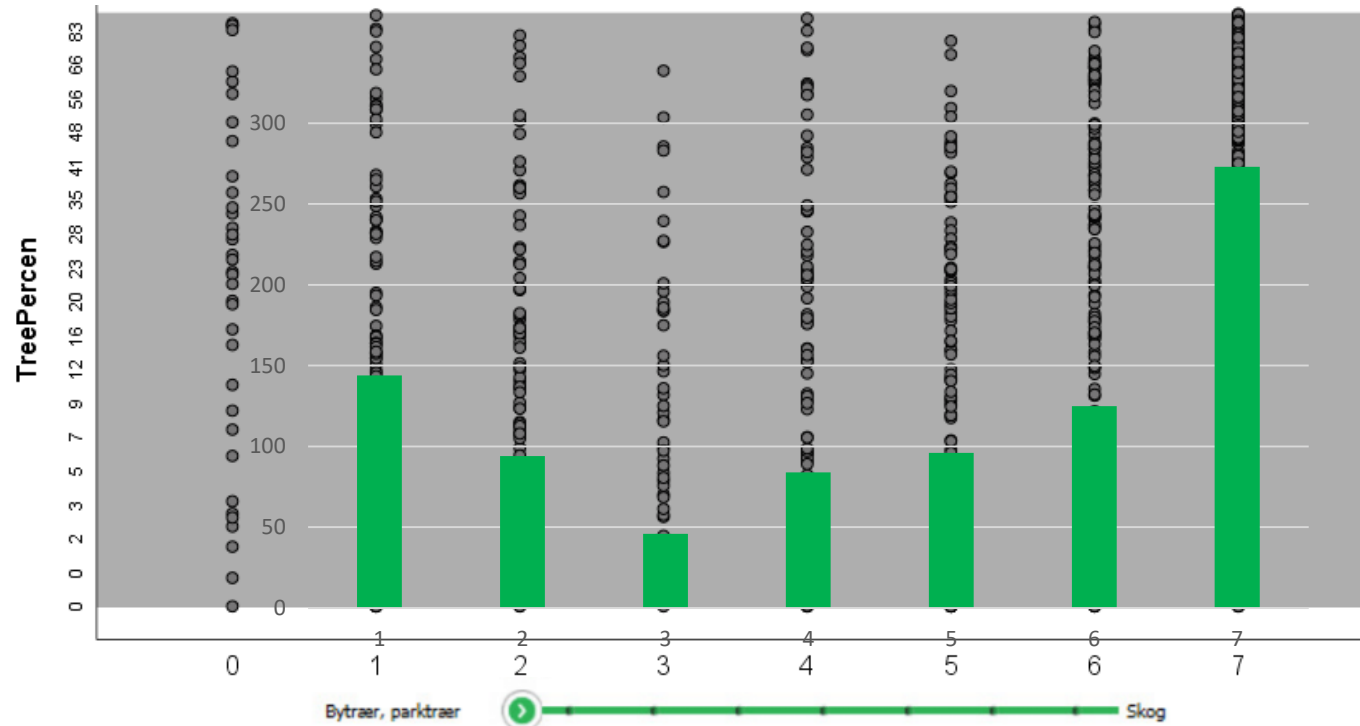
Legend

- water
- tree
- mire
- grass
- development
- agriculture



Recreation service = f(ecosystem condition)

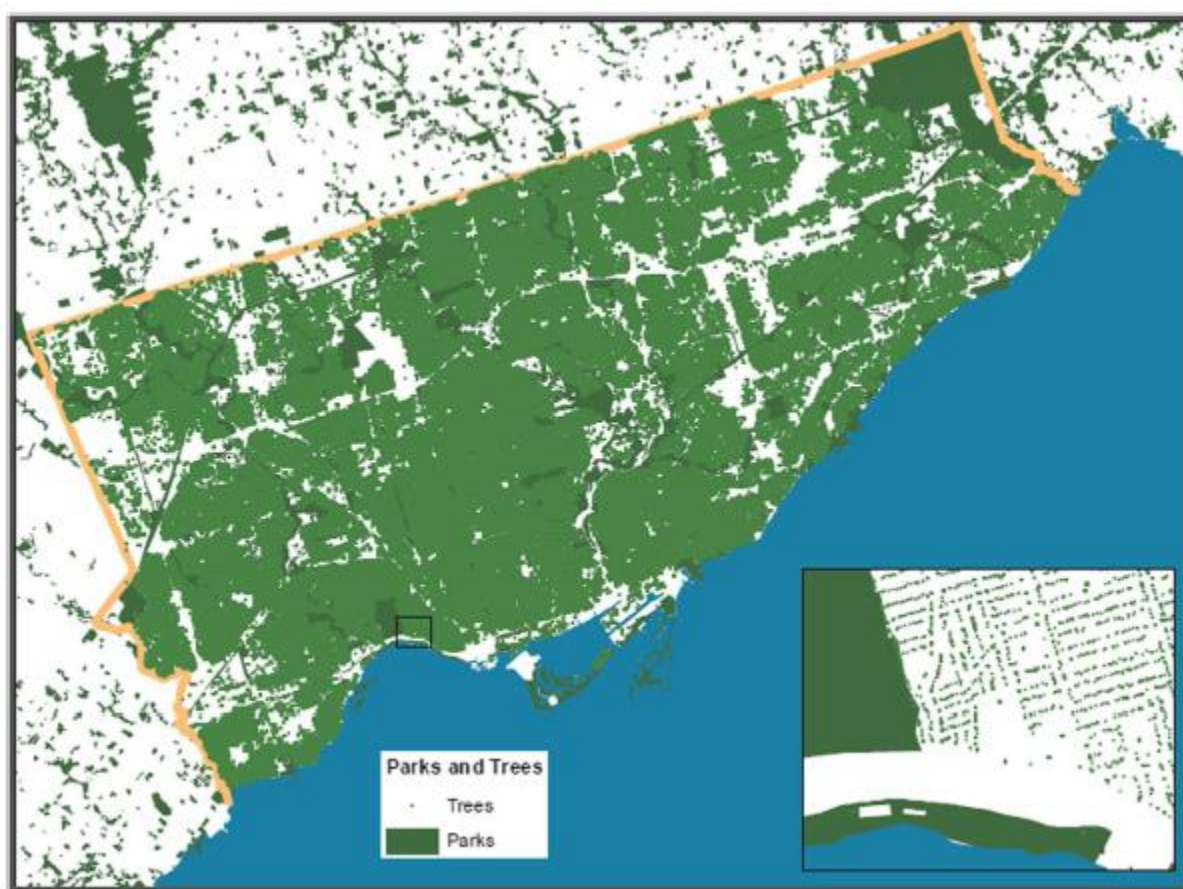
Inhabitants favourite recreational walks are significantly correlated with self-reported preference for tree canopy density





Rekreasjon, mental og
fysisk helse

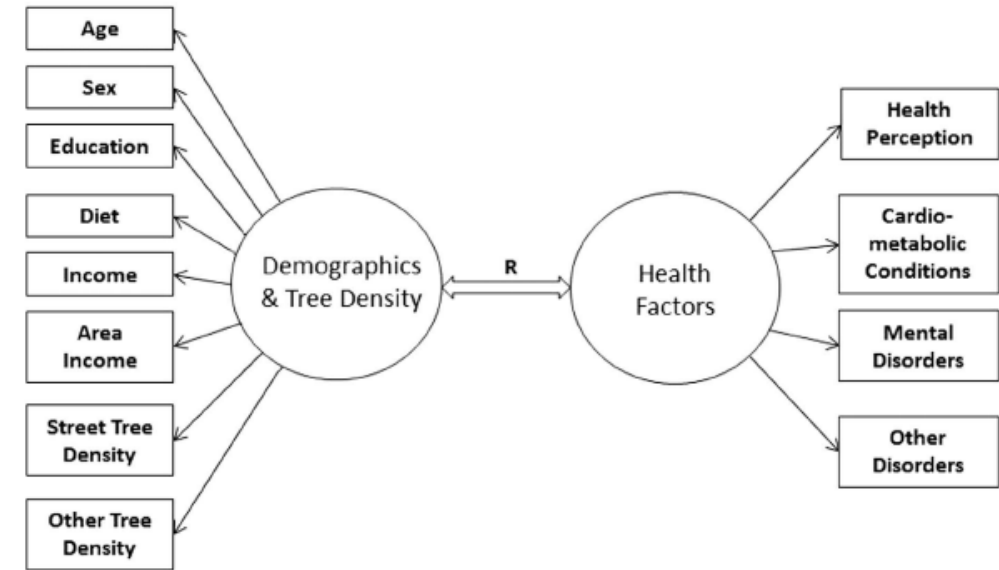
Health effects of urban tree canopy



SCIENTIFIC REPORTS

OPEN Neighborhood greenspace and health in a large urban center

Omid Kardan¹, Peter Gozdyra², Bratislav Mistic³, Faisal Moola⁴, Lyle J. Palmer⁵, Tomáš Paus⁶
& Marc G. Berman^{1,7}

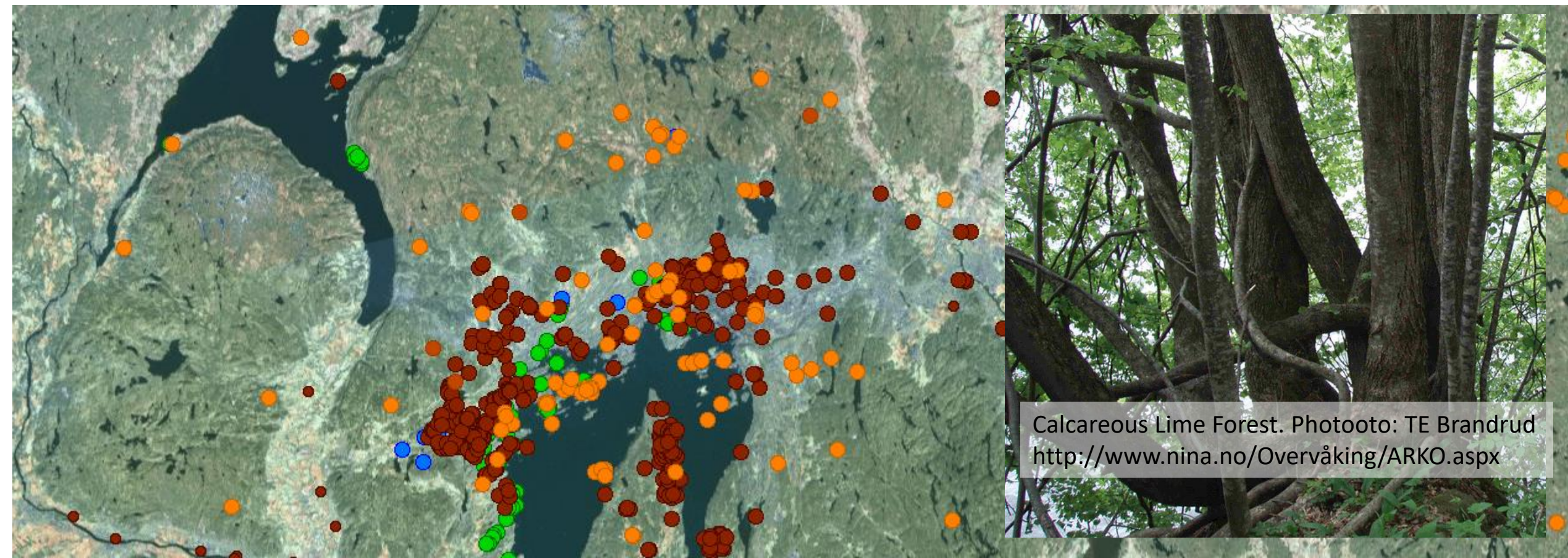


Vancouver

10 more trees/city block on average improve perceived health equivalent to a **7 year younger person**.

11 more trees/city block, on average, reduces **cardiometabolic illness** comparable to a **1.4 year younger person**

Protected nature types in Oslo



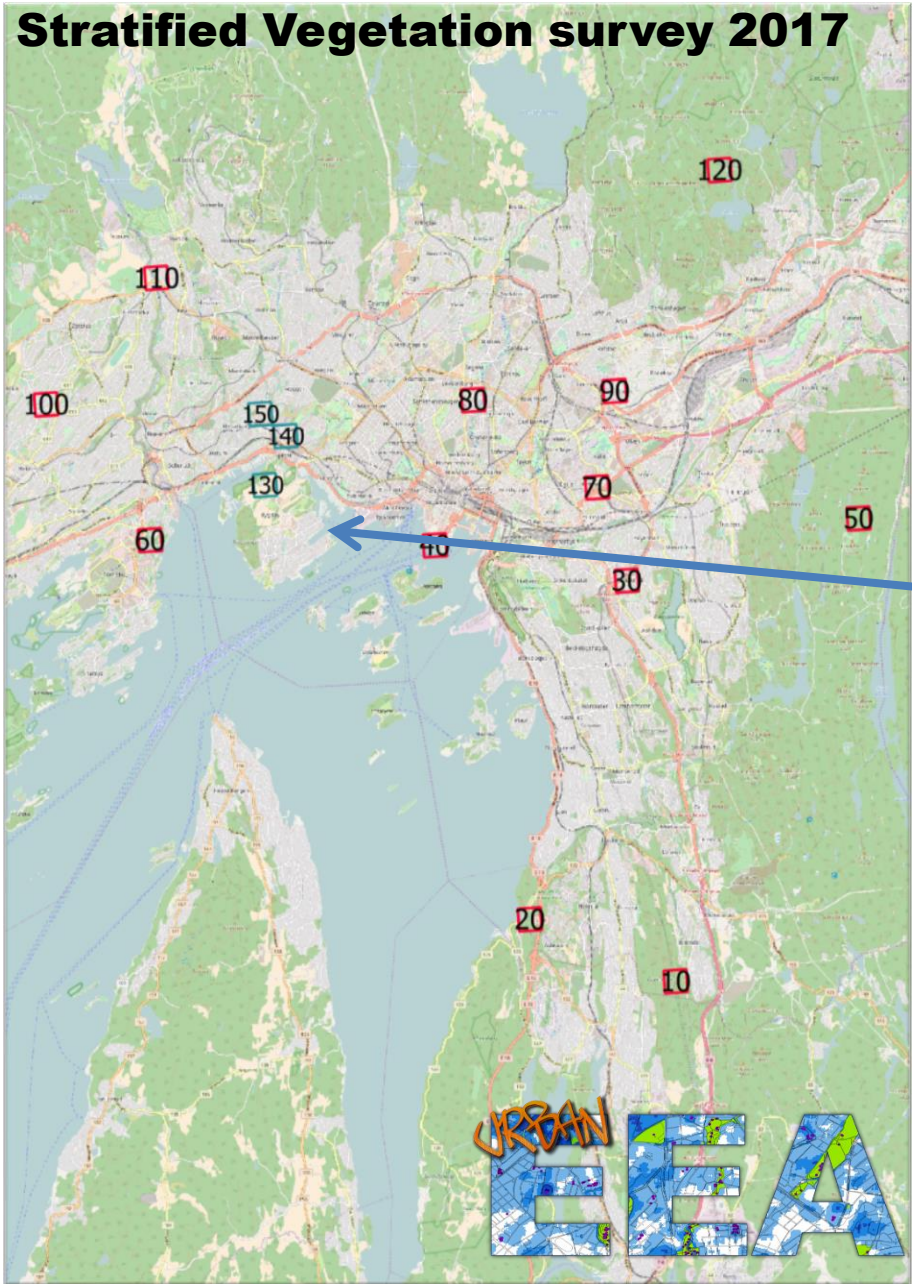
Calcareous Lime Forest. Photo: TE Brandrud
<http://www.nina.no/Overvåking/ARKO.aspx>

Protected Nature Types Naturbase: <http://kart.naturbase.no/>.
Artsdatabanken: 11554 species, 1186 red listed species

Slide: Olav Skarpaas

Higher biodiversity in the built zone than in the peri-urban forest!

Stratified Vegetation survey 2017



Slide: Olav Skarpaas



10x10m plot

Bygdøy 11. May 2017

3 biologists
40 minutes
70 plant species

Pollinator diversity in the urban built zone



Pollinators in Oslo's built zone

Species group diversity

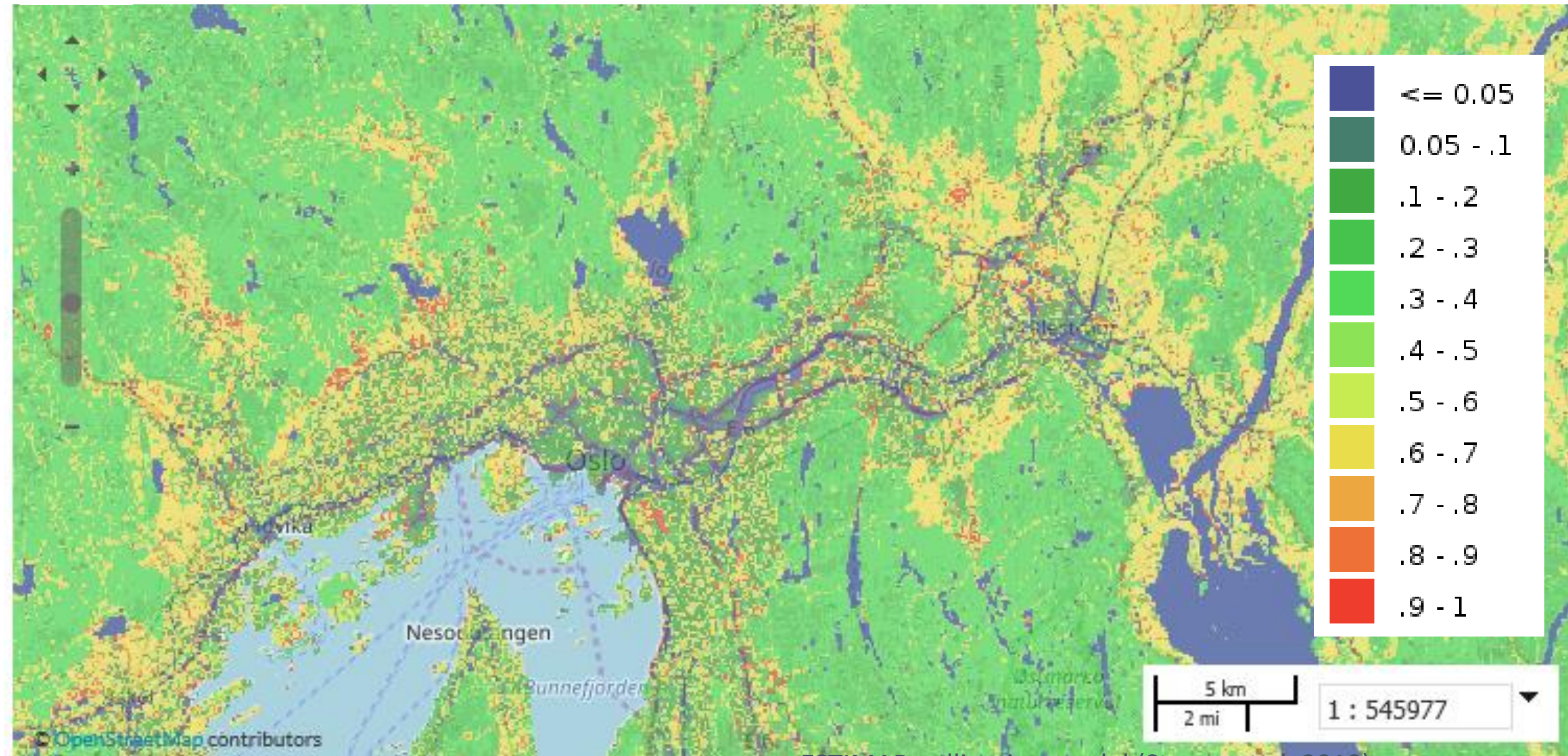


| Honey bees | Bumble bees | Solitary wild bees | Flower flies | Sum specimens trapped |
|------------|-------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|
| 331 | 294 | 342 | 276 | 1 243 |


Bumble bees: 15 species, almost ½ of Norway's species (35)

Wild solitary bees: Solitary bees, 32 species

Pollinator habitat suitability

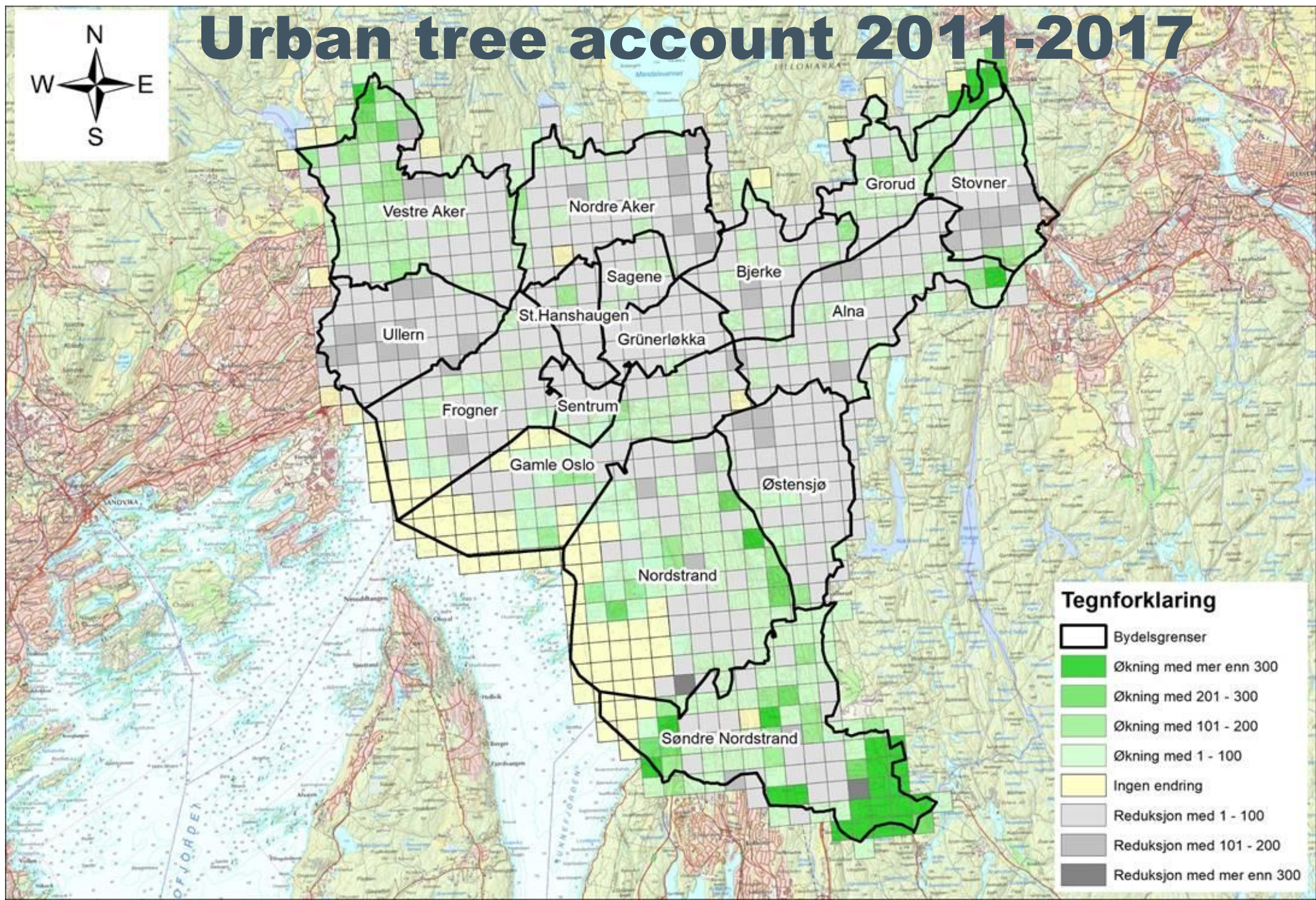


ESTIMAP pollination model (Stange et al. 2018)



Recap: Policy motivations for
accounting for urban ecosystems at
high spatial resolution

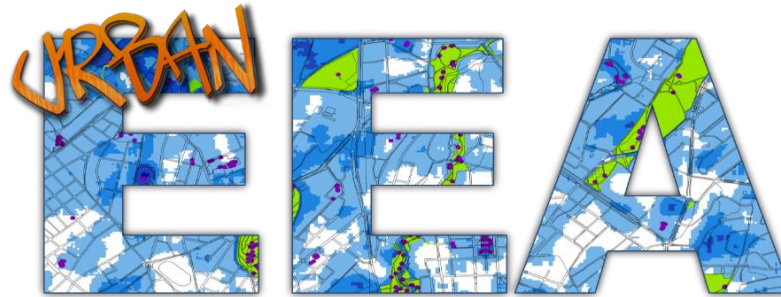
Urban tree account 2011-2017



Source:
Frank
Hanssen



THANK YOU



New Water Ways

SUSTAINABLE URBAN WATER MANAGEMENT



Discussion questions

- What is an urban ecosystem?
- Why urban ecosystem accounting?
 - Urban as lab for testing ecosystem accounts.
 - Scarcity of green, high demand, high context richness
- Challenge: Mapping ecosystem extent or condition?
- Selecting monetary valuation methods? Policy relevance vs accounting consistency. Examples: Hedonic property pricing, Travel cost, Avoided, Life years lost.



What is an urban ecosystem?

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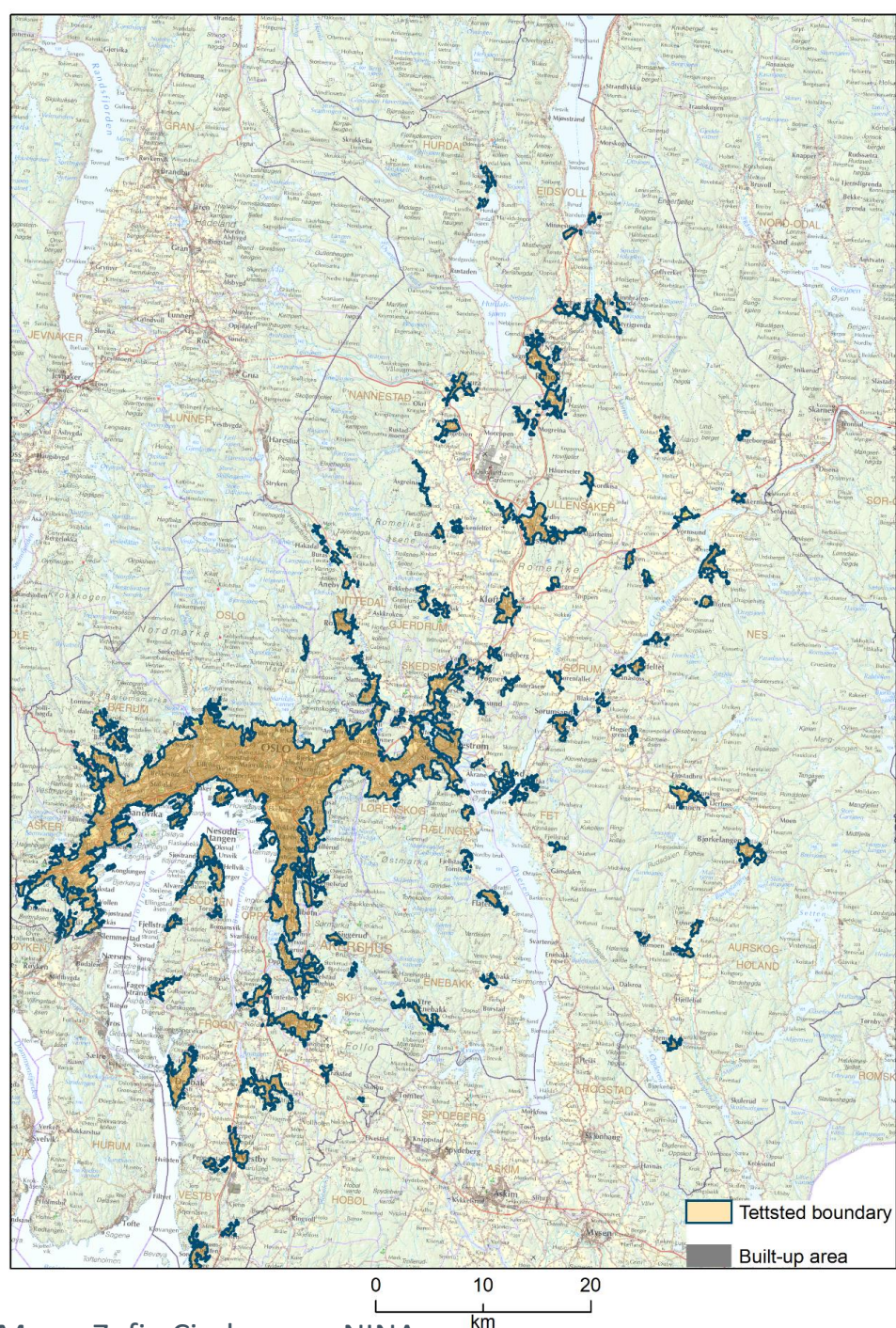


Figure 1 Urban ecosystem boundary derived from Statistics Norway “densely built land”

Urban ecosystem boundary of Greater Oslo

(EFTEC 2017 UK buffer approach)

Maps: Zofie Cimburova; NINA

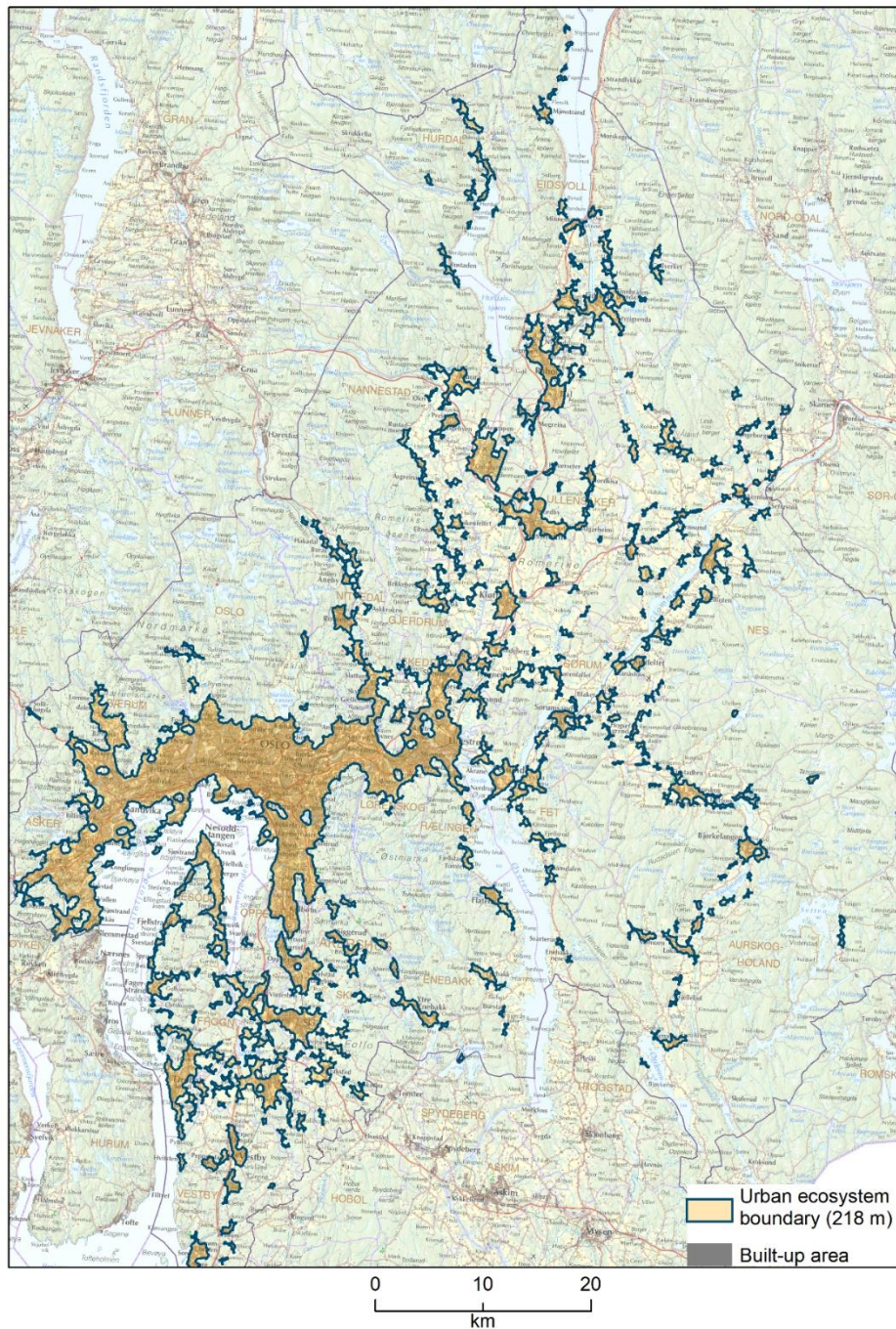


Figure 2 Urban ecosystem boundary computed by EFTEC method, distance = 218 m

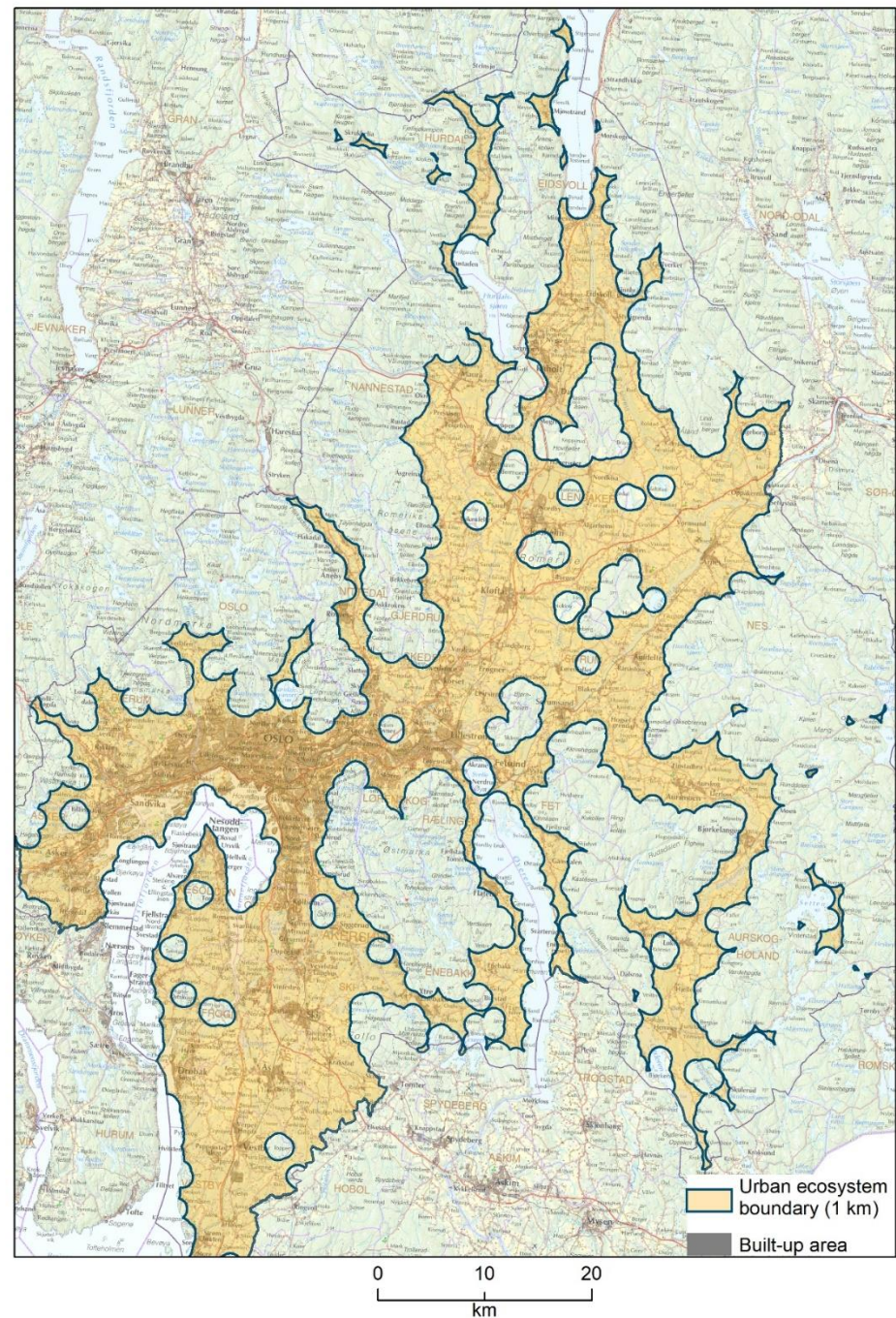
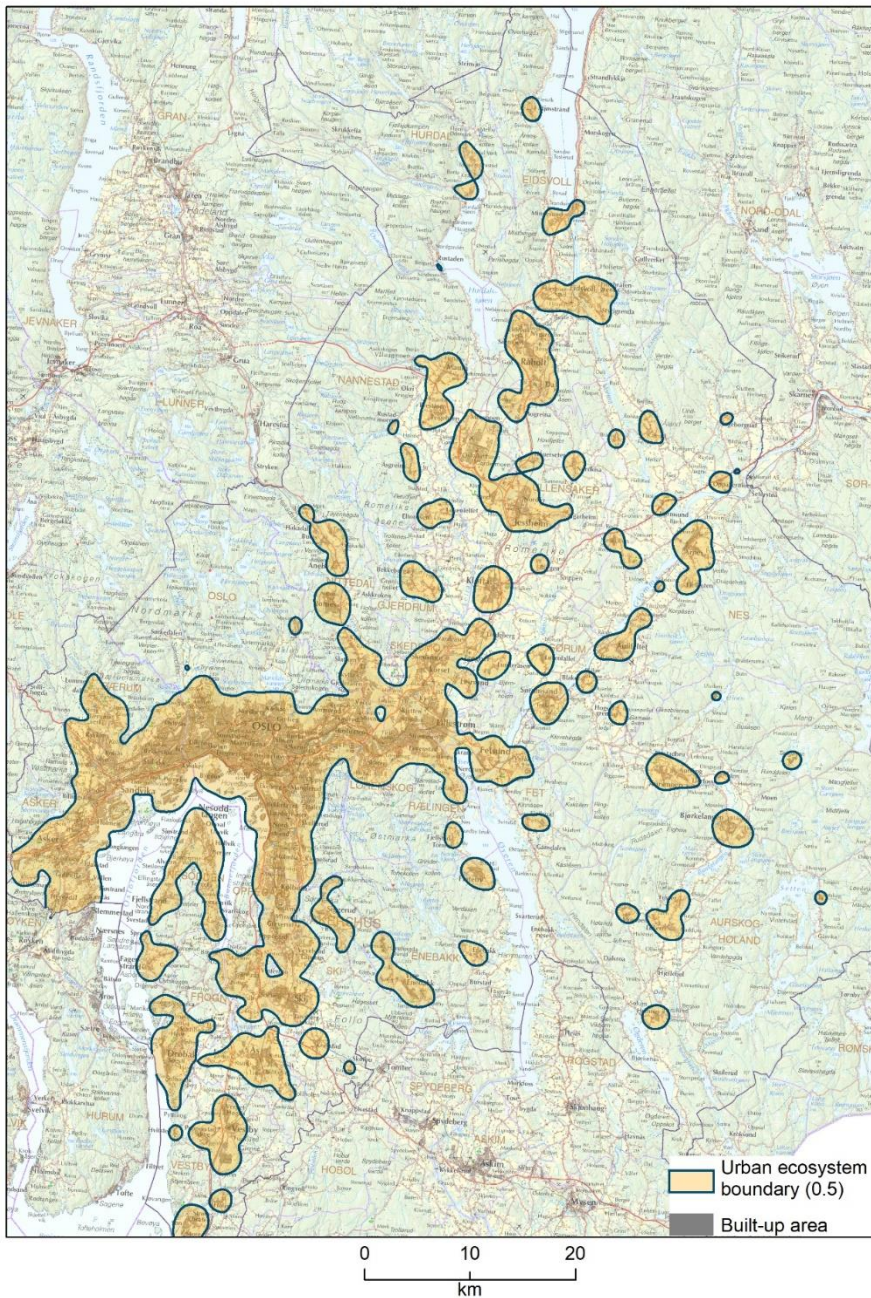
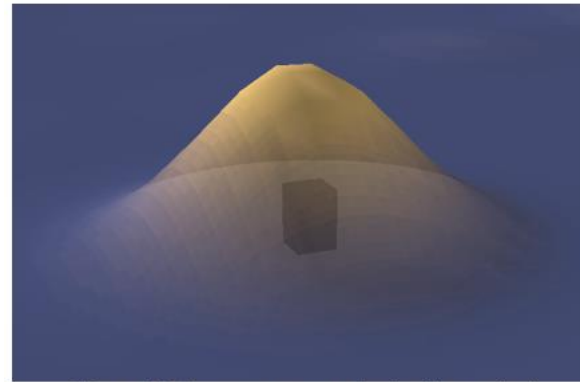


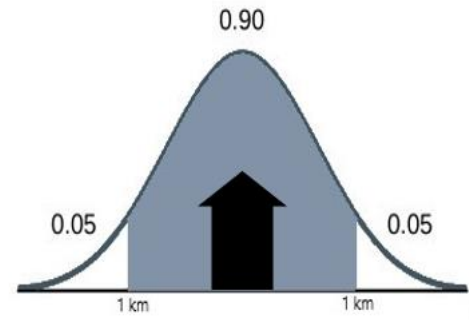
Figure 3 Urban ecosystem boundary computed by EFTEC method, distance = 1 km



Urban ecosystem boundary of Greater Oslo Zone of influence approach



Figur 1 Influence zone of a built-up pixel



Figur 2 Influence zone shape and size

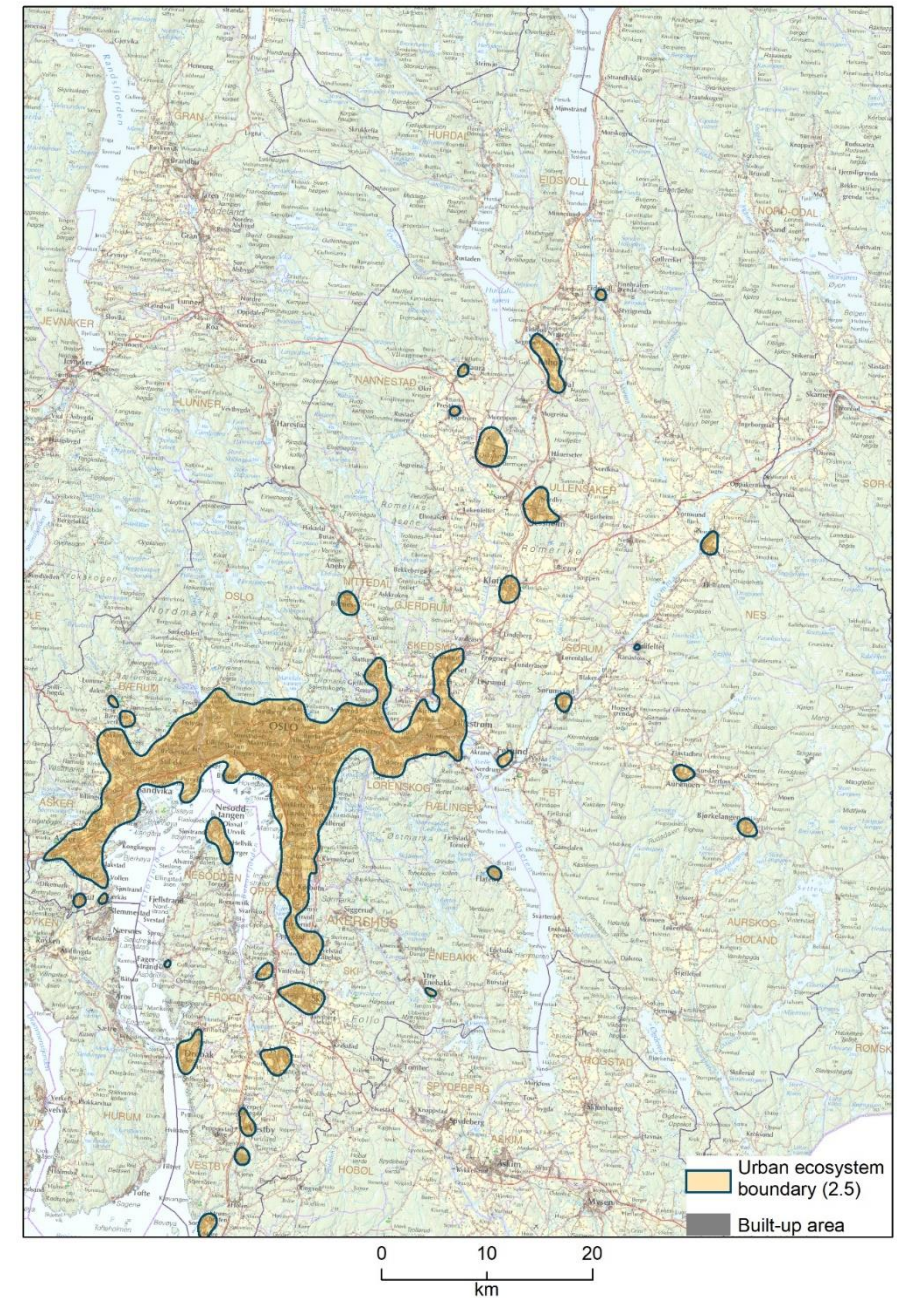
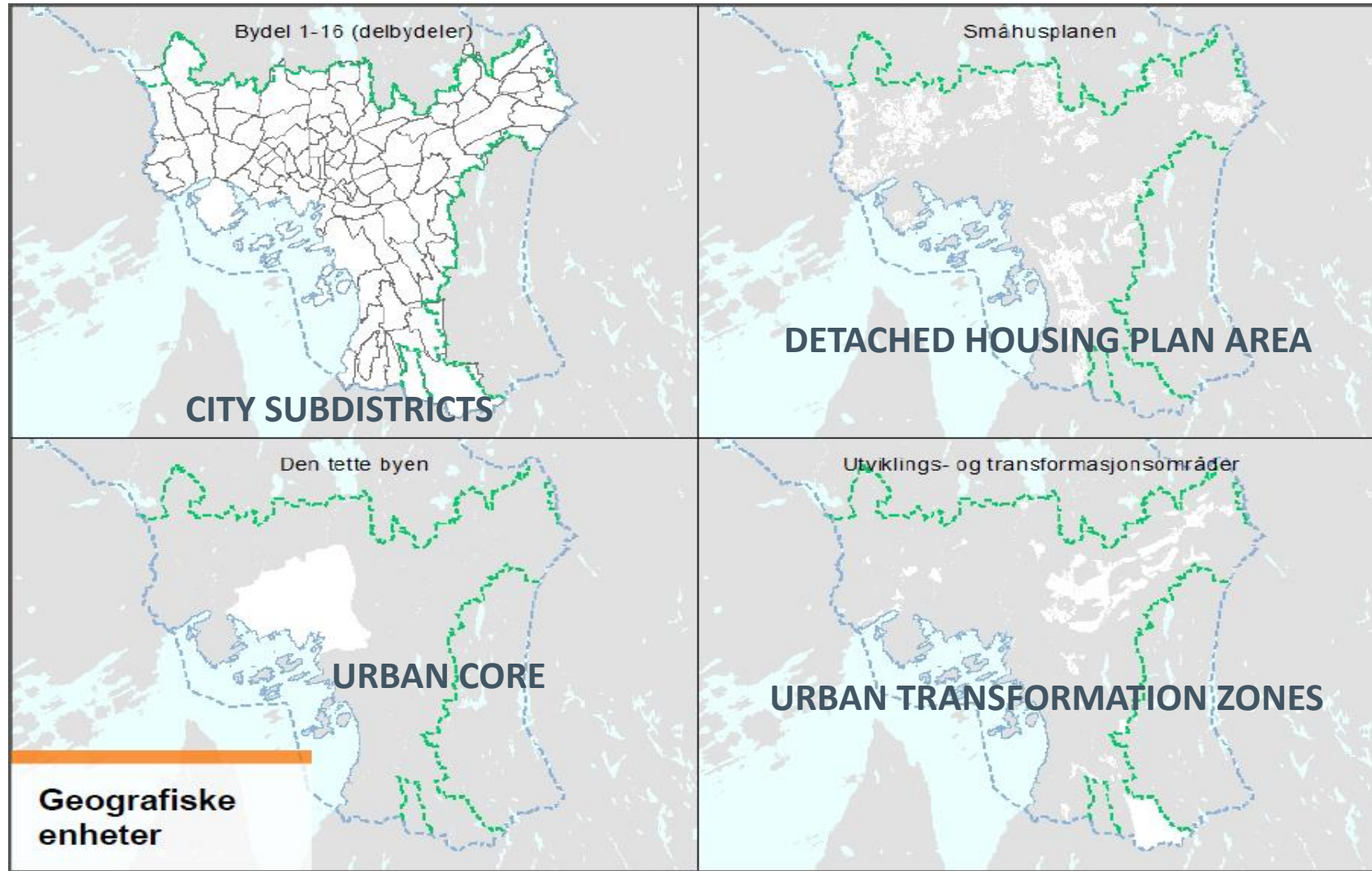


Figure 5 Urban ecosystem boundary computed by influence zone method, threshold at 2.5

Figure 4 Urban ecosystem boundary computed by influence zone method, threshold at 0.5

Statistical reporting units for Oslo «green cover accounts»



Basic spatial units (I)

- Sentinel-2 landcover
 - ▶ Agriculture
 - ▶ Grass
 - ▶ Built-up
 - ▶ Tree
 - ▶ Water



Basic spatial units (II)

- SSB areas
(SSB Arealbruk 2015,
SSB Arealbruk 2017,
A2_Arealformal_Ubebygd_StrFordelt,
B2_Oplareal_Ubebygd_StrFordelt,
Arealbruk_NyttFra2016til2017)



Smallest statistical reporting unit (plot)

- Proportion of Sentinel-2 class in SSB areas (cartodiagram)

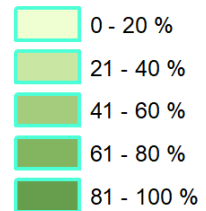
- ▶ Agriculture
- ▶ Grass
- ▶ Built-up
- ▶ Tree
- ▶ Water



Smallest statistical reporting unit – pixel averaging

- Proportion of Sentinel-2 class in SSB areas (choropleth)

TREES + GRASS [%]



| GREEN INFRASTRUCTURE TYPOLOGY (GIT) | | | Ground surfaces (GS) | | | | | | | | Building structures (BS) | | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|---|------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------|-----------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|-------------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| | | | Terrestrial surfaces (TS) | | | | | | Aquatic surfaces (AS) | | Roof structures (RS) | | | | | | Vertical Structures (VS) | | | | |
| | | | Impervious surfaces | | Bare surfaces | | Vegetated surfaces | | Vegetated | Non-vegetated | Intensive | | Semi-Intensive | | Extensive | | Living walls (rooted on wall) | | Green facades (rooted on ground) | | |
| Conceptual matrix V.11 | | | Artificial (Hard surfaces & pavements) | Natural (Bare rock) | Porous pavements | Bare soils, sands & perennial snow | Non-irrigated | Irrigated | Wetland (marsh, swamps, mangroves) | Open water (lakes, rivers, oceans) | Intensive semi-vegetated | Intensive vegetated | Semi-intensive semi-vegetated | Semi-intensive vegetated | Extensive semi-vegetated | Extensive vegetated | Modular panels & geo-textiles | Elevated substrate (box, pot, bag) | Traditional direct system | Double-skin indirect system | |
| Vegetation layers (VL) | Climbing vegetation (CV) | Tall climbers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | Short climbers | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | Ground vegetation (GV) | (H) High vegetation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | (M) Medium vegetation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | | (L) Low vegetation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | No Vegetation | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| TREE CANOPY (TC) | | | GREEN OPEN SPACES (GOS) | | | | | | WATER BODIES (WB) | | GREEN ROOFS (GR) | | | | | | VERTICAL GREENERY SYSTEMS (VGS) | | | | |
| Example of possible combinations | | | | Non-irrigated grass with scattered shrubs | | | | | | | Spatial arrangements | | | | | | | | | | |



Challenge: Mapping ecosystem extent or condition?

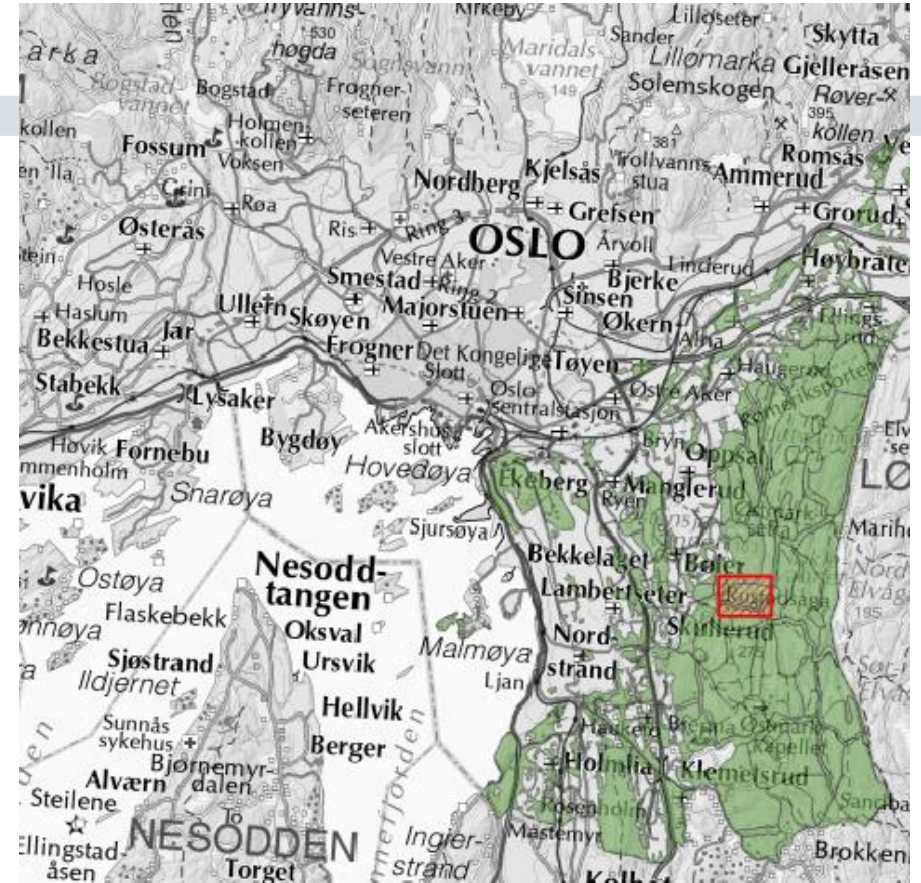
Modifiable area-unit problem in mapping condition/suitability for recreation

Point data
(facilities)

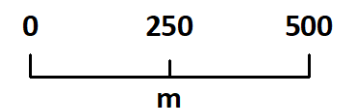
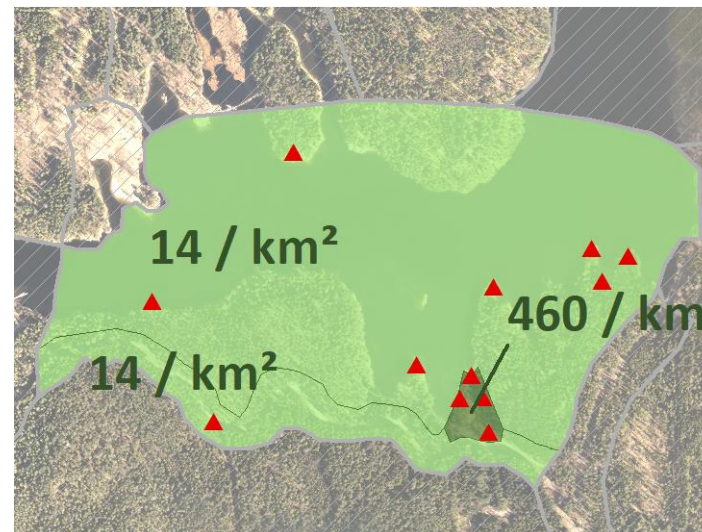
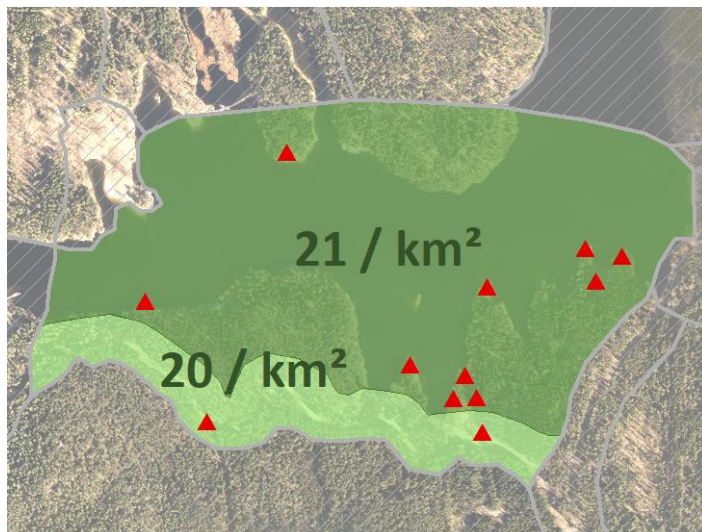
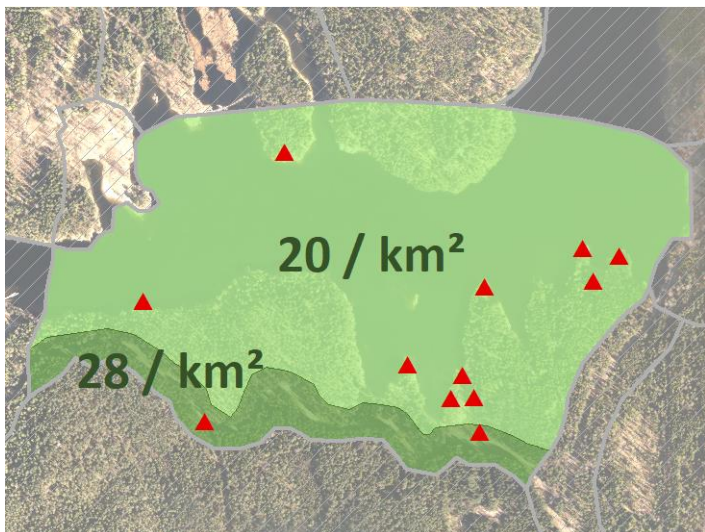
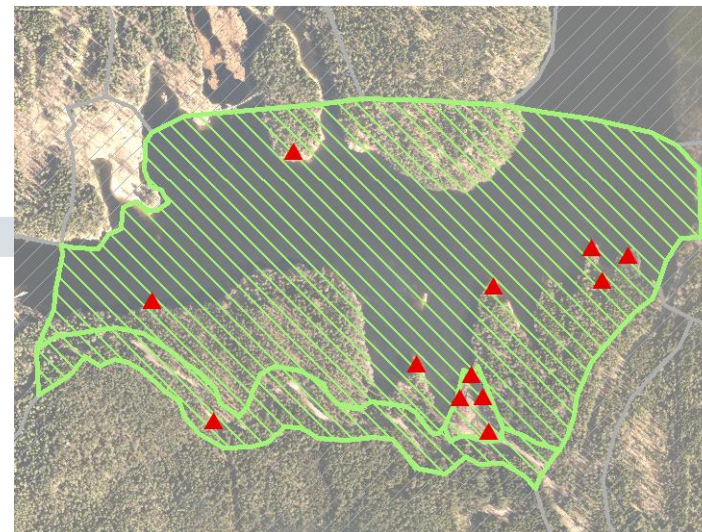
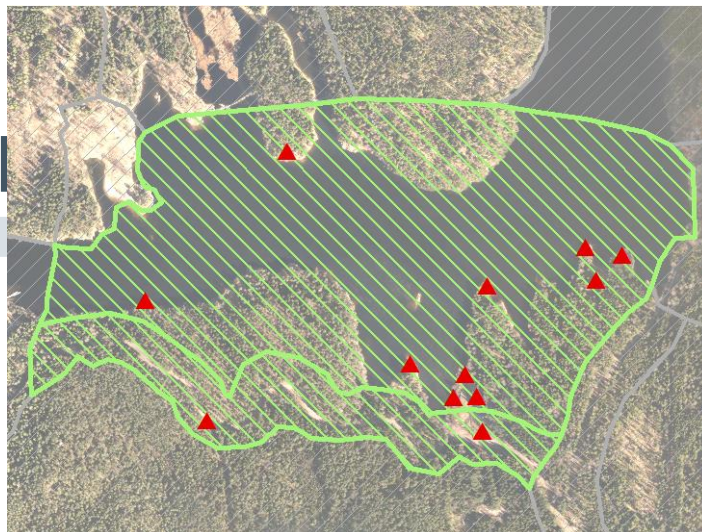
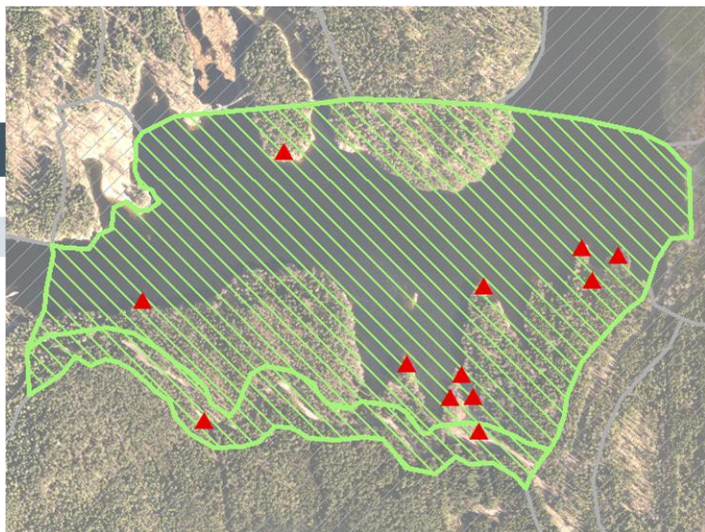
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Aggregation to zones
(recreation areas)

Different results
depending on
size of zones
delineation of borders



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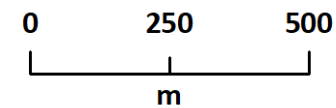
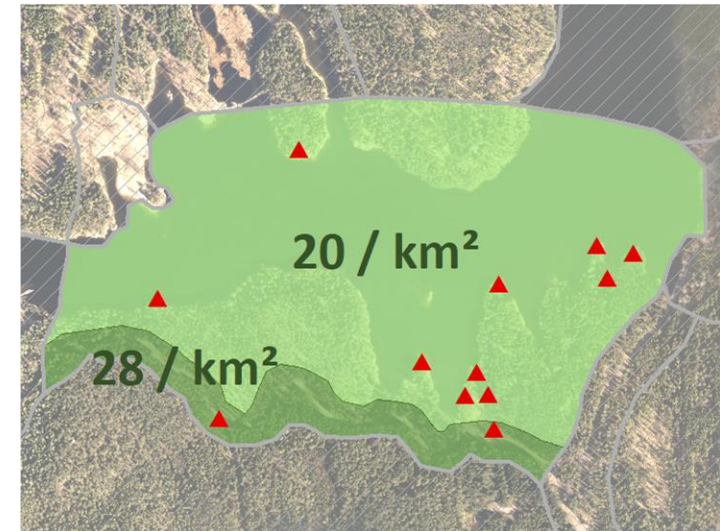
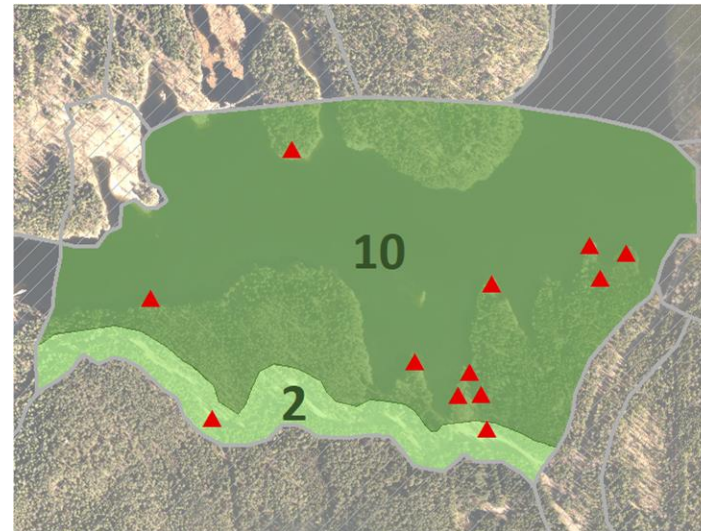
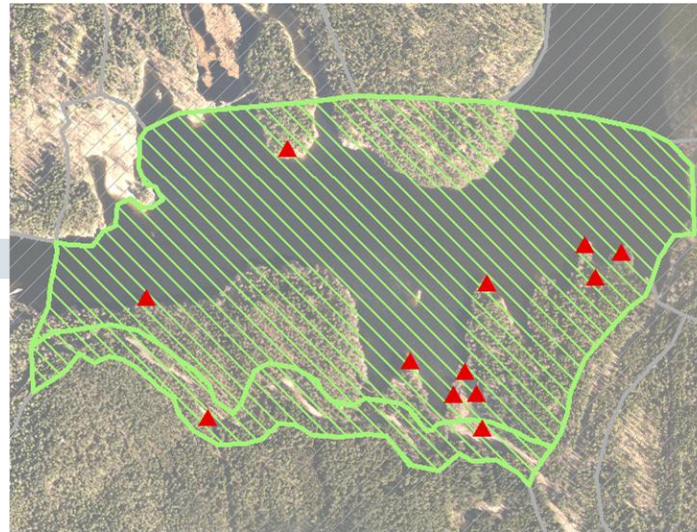


Point data
(facilities)

n problem

Aggregation to zones
(recreation areas)

Count of facilities
Density of facilities





www.nirra.no Solution suggestions – zone of influence



Selecting monetary valuation methods?

Policy relevance vs accounting consistency.

Nature in Oslo is worth billions!

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Naturen i Oslo er verdt milliarder

Verdsetting av urbane økosystemtjenester fra grønnsstruktur

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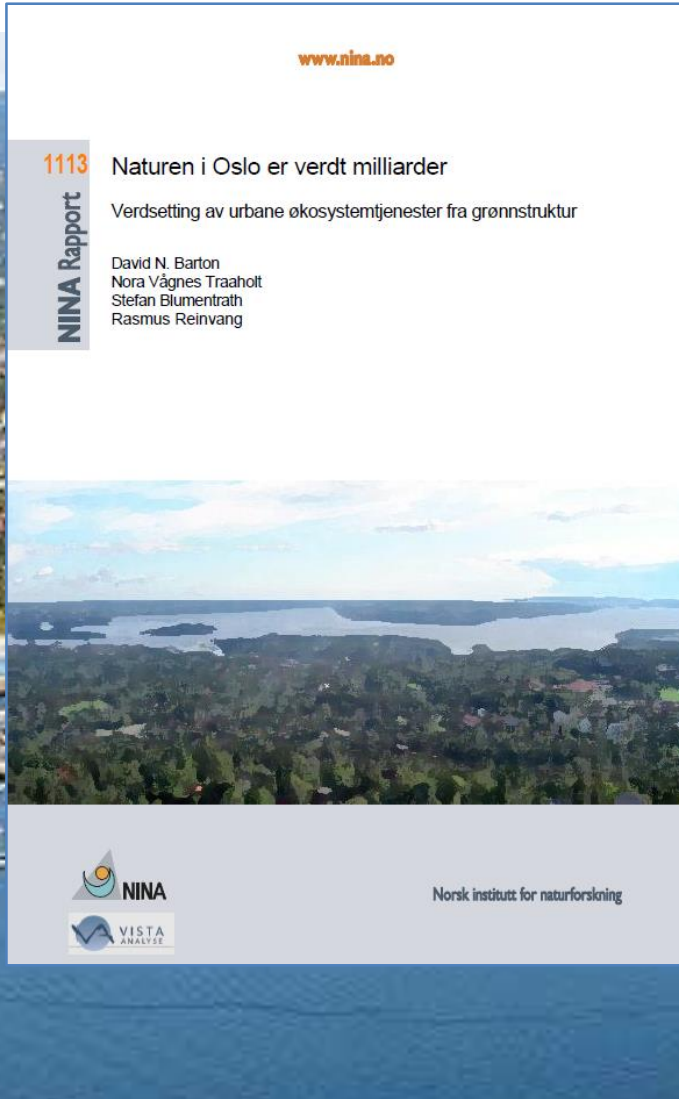


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Byutvikling

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Marka til Oslo er verdsettelse av grønne og blå naturressurser. Det er den eneste måten på å sikre at naturen i Oslo blir verdsettelse av grønne og blå naturressurser.

Oslos grønne milliarder

Marka, parkene, trærne, elvene, bekkene og stiene i og rundt Oslo er høyt skattet av byens innbyggere. Forskere ved Norsk institutt for naturforskning satt en pris på verdien av grøntområdene i byen. Oslo kommune innfører nå juridisk vern for mange parker og friområder.

Erlend Hoff
Norsk institutt for naturforskning

Oslo er en by som er tett på naturen. Naturen gir oss mye mer enn bare skjønnhet og friluftsliv. Naturen gir oss også en rekke andre tjenester som vi ikke kan leve uten. Naturen gir oss oksygen, regner, og den gir oss en rekke andre tjenester som vi ikke kan leve uten. Naturen gir oss oksygen, regner, og den gir oss en rekke andre tjenester som vi ikke kan leve uten.

Verdsettelse av grønne og blå naturressurser
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osloby

Hva om vi betalte like mye for en time i Marka som en time på SATS?

Oslofolk har en grønn milliardformue

Med tre små hunder kommer venninnene Guri Storside Christoffersen og Anette Bråthen. - Det er meditative å gå rundt i vannet, sier Bråthen. De to ble kjent for fire år siden, fordi hundene hilste på hverandre på tur rundt vannet. ALLE FOTO: ROLF BRIMAN

BYUTVIKLING
KJERSTI FLUGSTAD ERIKSEN

Hvor mye betaler vi faktisk elektrisitet for å bo nærmere grønne lunger? Milliarder av kroner, ifølge Norsk institutt for naturforskning.

På Sognsvann i Oslo en vanlig onsdag formiddag kommer Brendan Slater løpende i godt tempo, nesten ferdig med en runde rundt vannet.

- For meg er marka verdig enormt mye. Det gjør noe med sjelen at man kan oppleve fred og ro og et avbryt fra bylivet, sier Slater. Han forteller at han er engek, og har bodd i år i landet.

Millionbyen Oslo

Oslo befolkning vil trolig passere en million innen 20-25 år. I en serie artikler vil OsloBy se på hvordan vi skal sikre befolkningsveksten.

Hvor skal det bygges, hvordan skal det bygges, hvordan skal folk komme seg fra A til B og hva skal til for at vi trosser når Oslo blir en millionby?

Brendan Slater holder høyt tempo rundt vannet. - Det gjør noe med sjelen at man kan oppleve fred og ro og et avbryt fra bylivet, sier Slater.

Han mener at verdiberegningen peker i retning av at det skal bygges tettere der det allerede er bebyggelse i Oslo.

Man bør ikke bygge utover i marka, ikke la store forsteder spre seg, og ikke tette igjen grøntområdene. Befolkningen må bruke så lite plass som mulig på å bo, samtidig som folk får så god tilgang som mulig til naturen, sier Barton.

Han mener at det bør bygges sånn at trærne inne i byen får stå. De trærne som står her, er blitt tatt vare på i kanskje 100 år. Det er svært ansvar at de får fortsette å stå, sier Barton.

Byfremt 2018 milliarder En annen metode de brukte var å gi bytærne en pris. Oslo kom frastruktural i Oslo ha en verdi på minst 28 milliarder kroner, sier Barton.

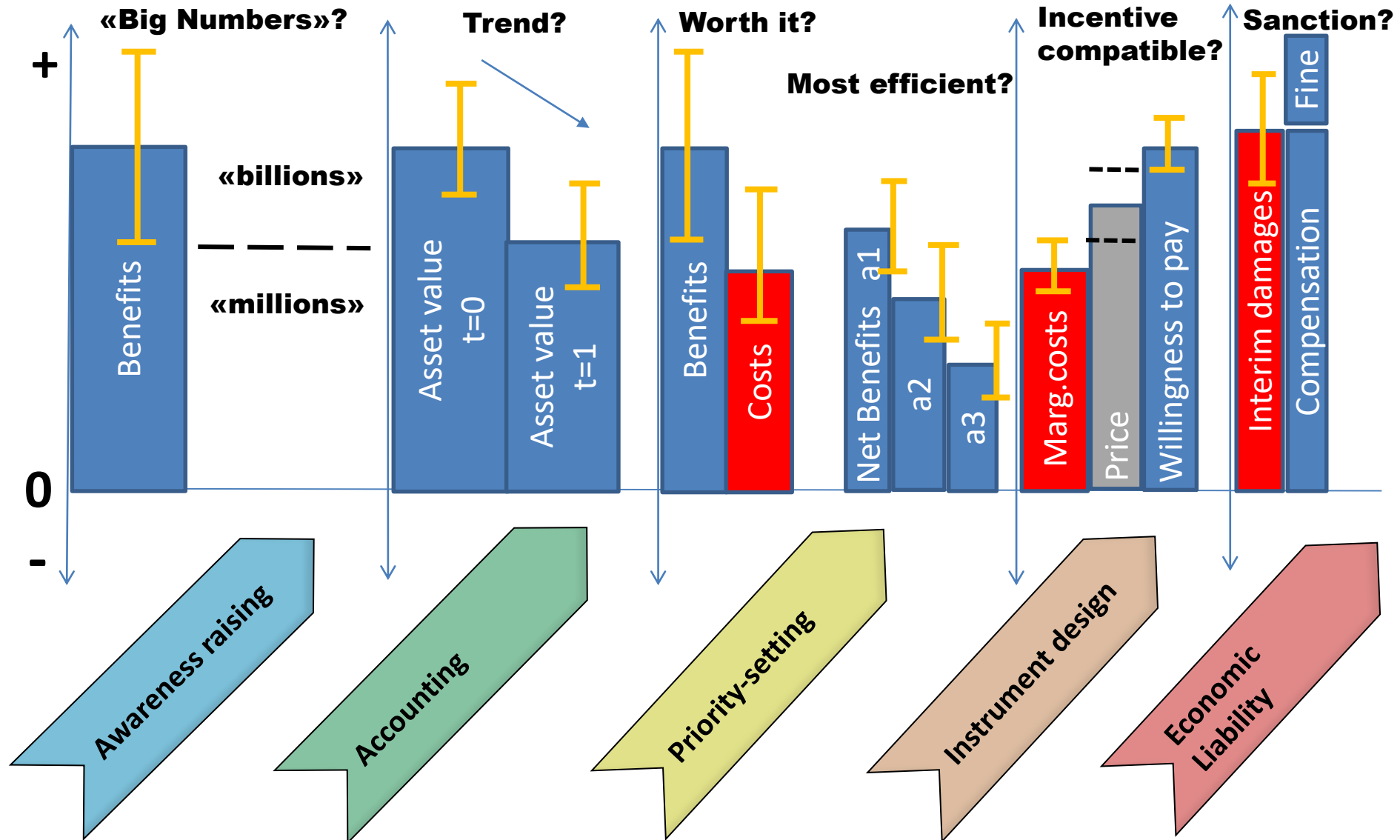
Også for boligverdien har grønne områder noe å si. Tettgjeter nært noe grønt, som marka, parker, til og med kirkegårder, eller ved vann, har høyere verdi enn samme type bolig et annet sted. Tilsammen 29 milliarder kroner mer i Oslo totalt sett, kom forskerne frem til.

Silje Kjesliewold Wathe og Nina Grevill Rønning er også ute og løper rundt Sognsvann med hver sin syv måneder gamle jente i vogn, før de skal møte resten av barsegnuppen.

Du får en indre ro når du trener ute, på en helt annen måte enn på et treningscenter, sier



Generic policy purposes of monetary accounting for ecosystem services



EXAMPLE: HEDONIC PROPERTY PRICING METHOD

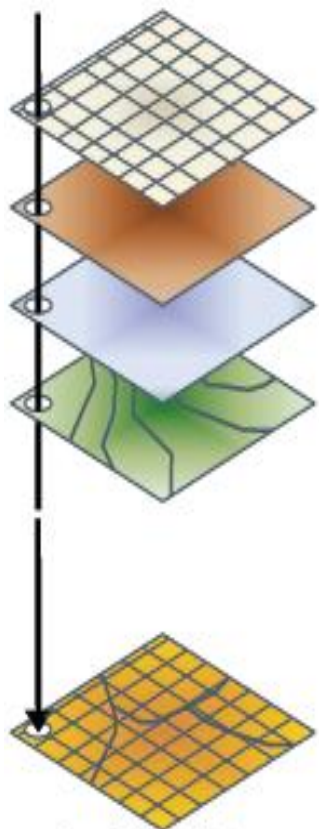
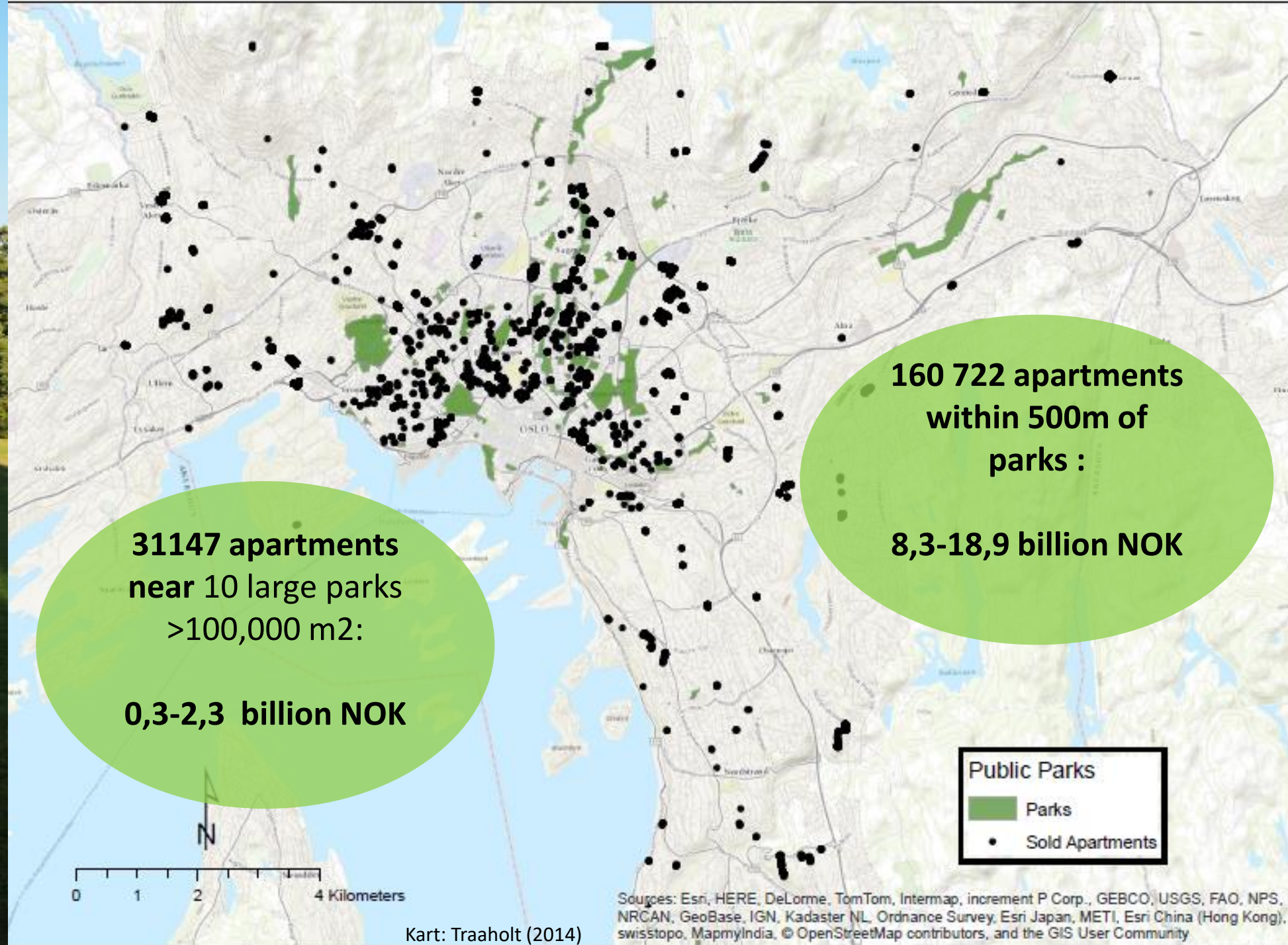




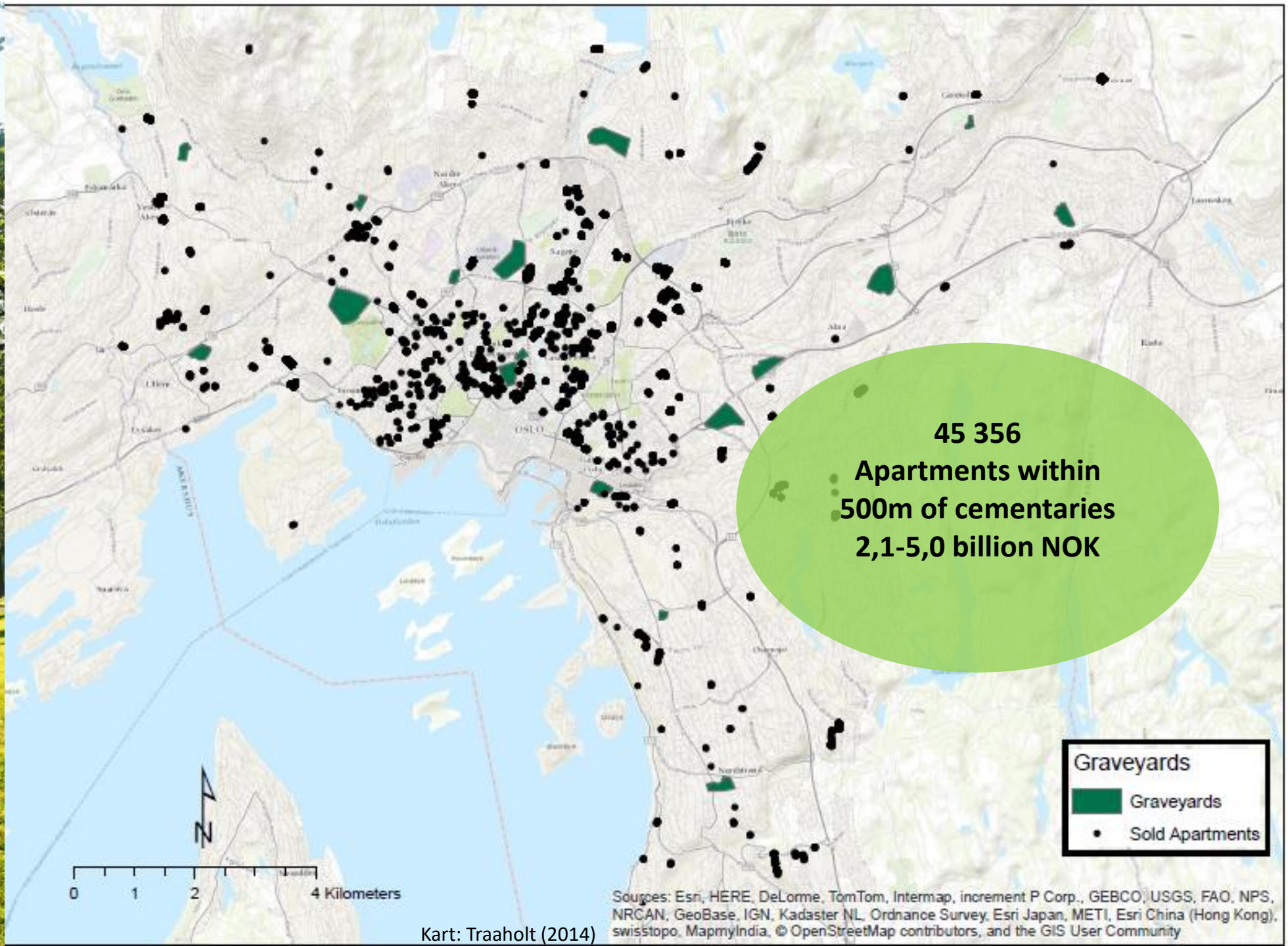
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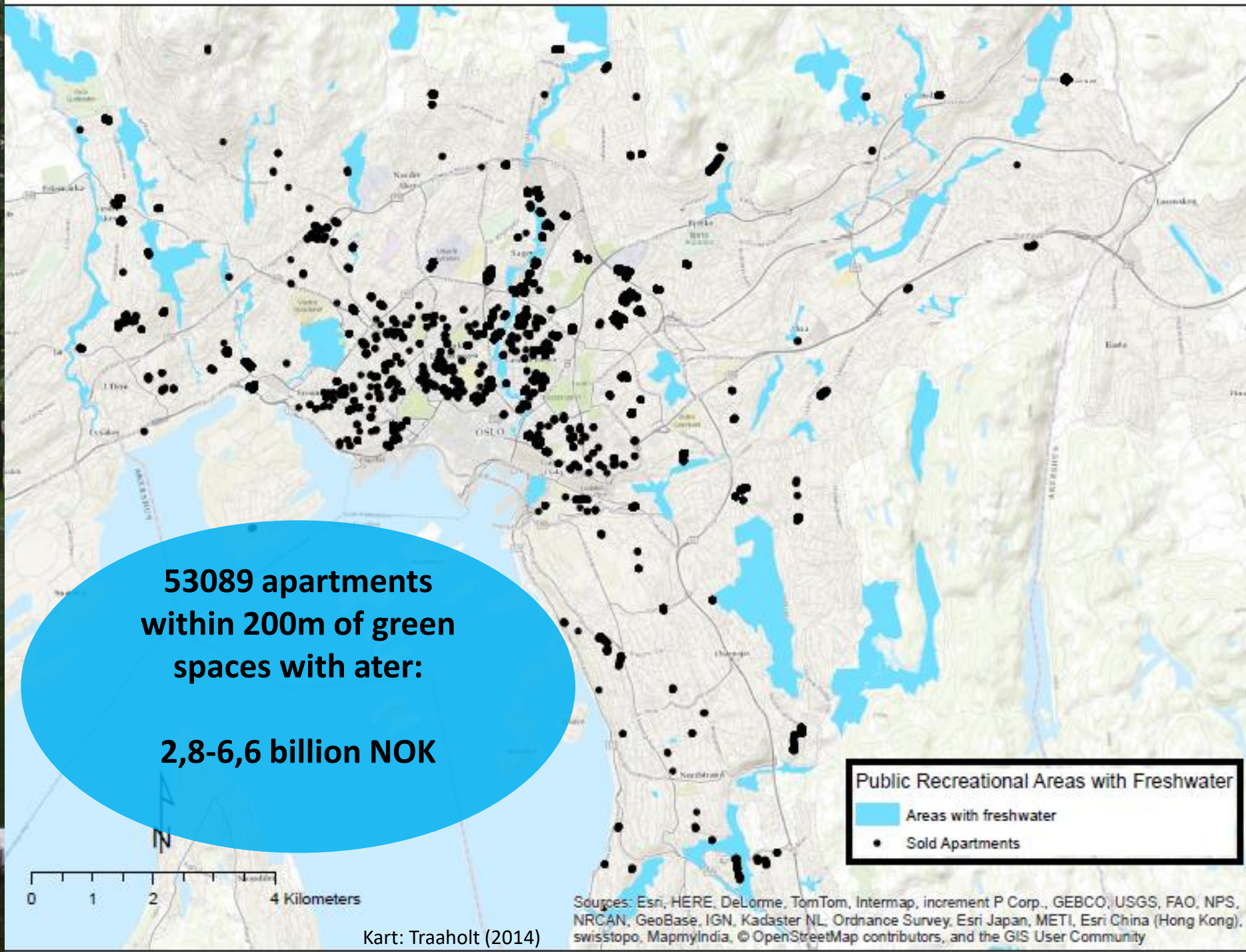
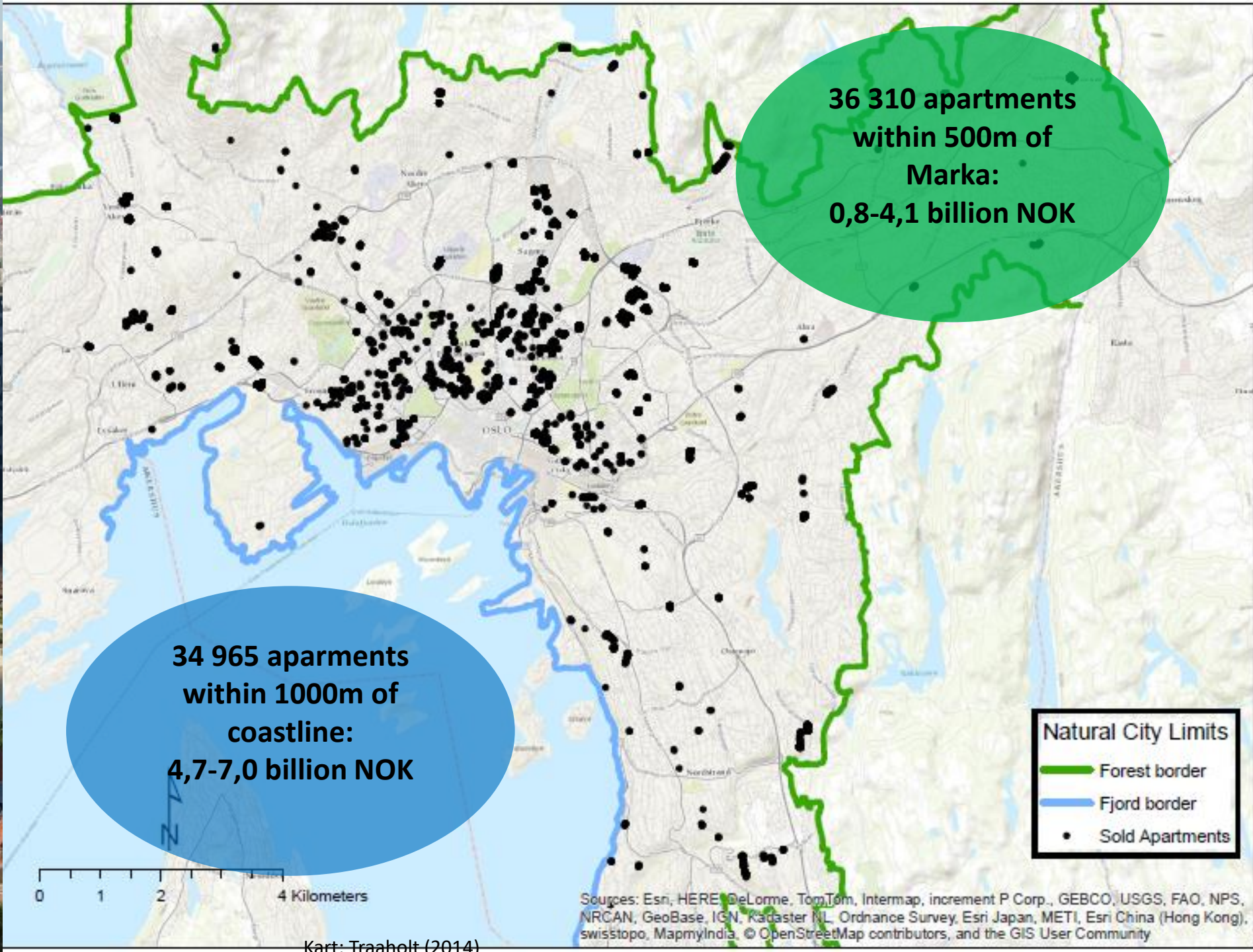




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