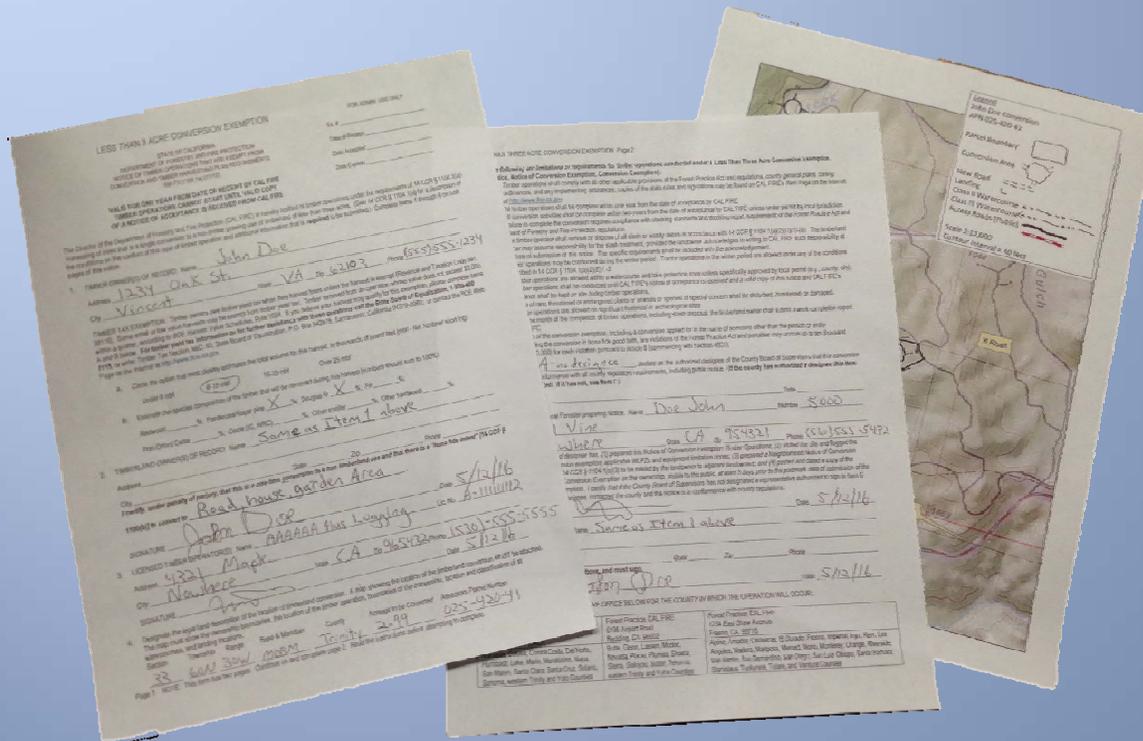


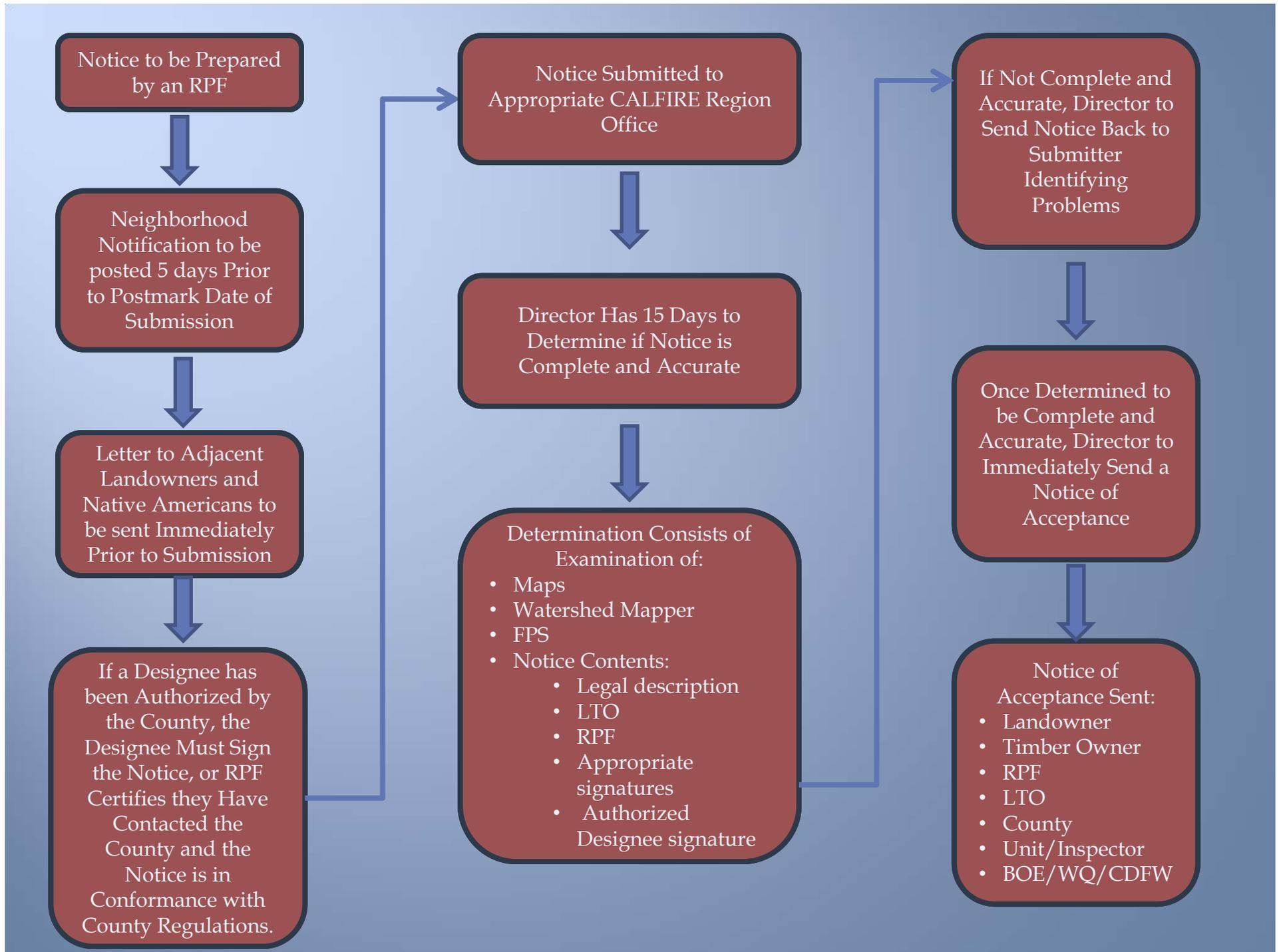
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## < 3 Acre Conversions with a Trinity County Case Study



SEPTEMBER 28, 2016





Notice to be Prepared by an RPF

Neighborhood Notification to be posted 5 days Prior to Postmark Date of Submission

Letter to Adjacent Landowners and Native Americans to be sent Immediately Prior to Submission

If a Designee has been Authorized by the County, the Designee Must Sign the Notice, or RPF Certifies they Have Contacted the County and the Notice is in Conformance with County Regulations.

Notice Submitted to Appropriate CALFIRE Region Office

Director Has 15 Days to Determine if Notice is Complete and Accurate

Determination Consists of Examination of:

- Maps
- Watershed Mapper
- FPS
- Notice Contents:
  - Legal description
  - LTO
  - RPF
  - Appropriate signatures
  - Authorized Designee signature

If Not Complete and Accurate, Director to Send Notice Back to Submitter Identifying Problems

Once Determined to be Complete and Accurate, Director to Immediately Send a Notice of Acceptance

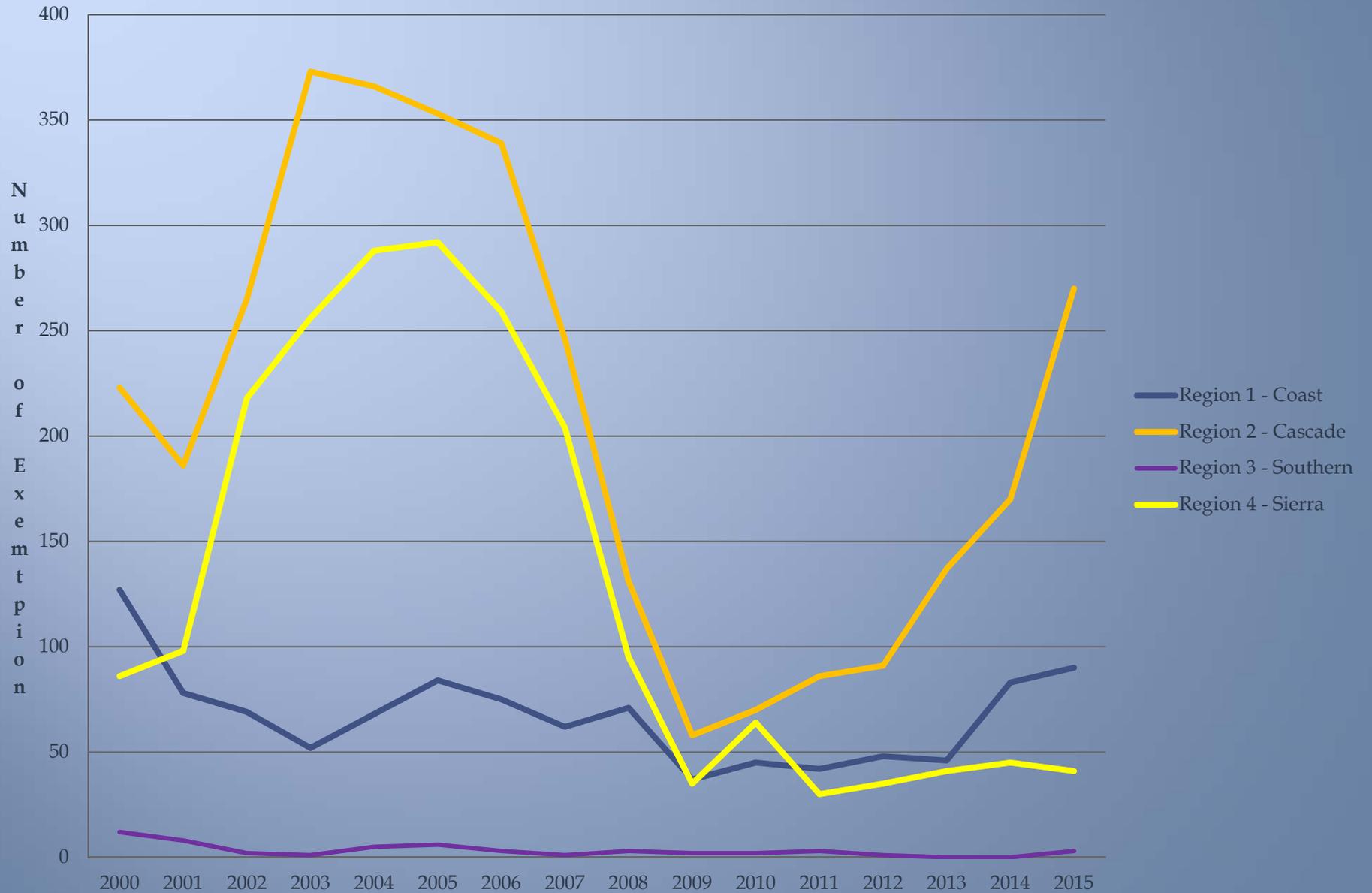
Notice of Acceptance Sent:

- Landowner
- Timber Owner
- RPF
- LTO
- County
- Unit/Inspector
- BOE/WQ/CDFW

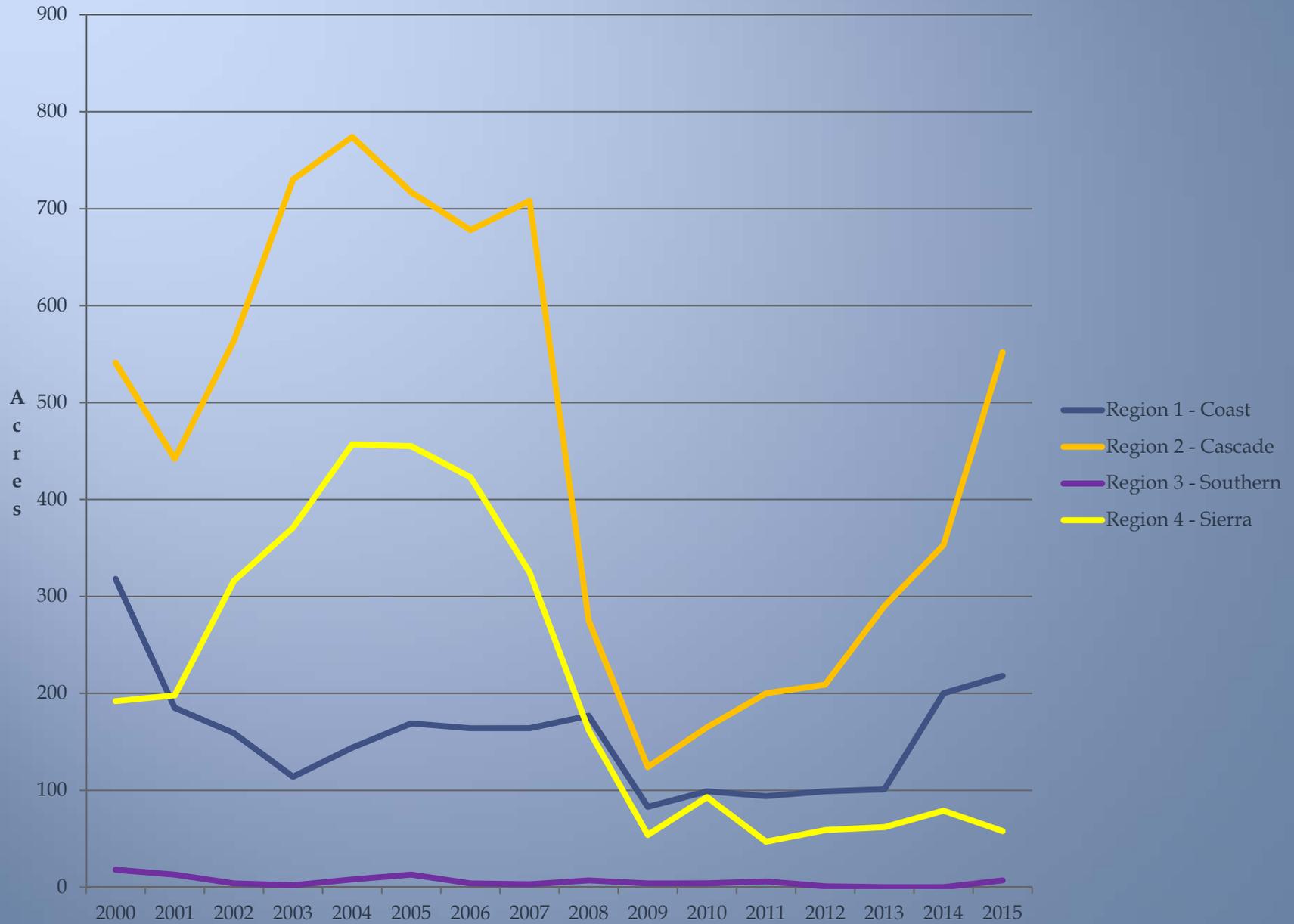
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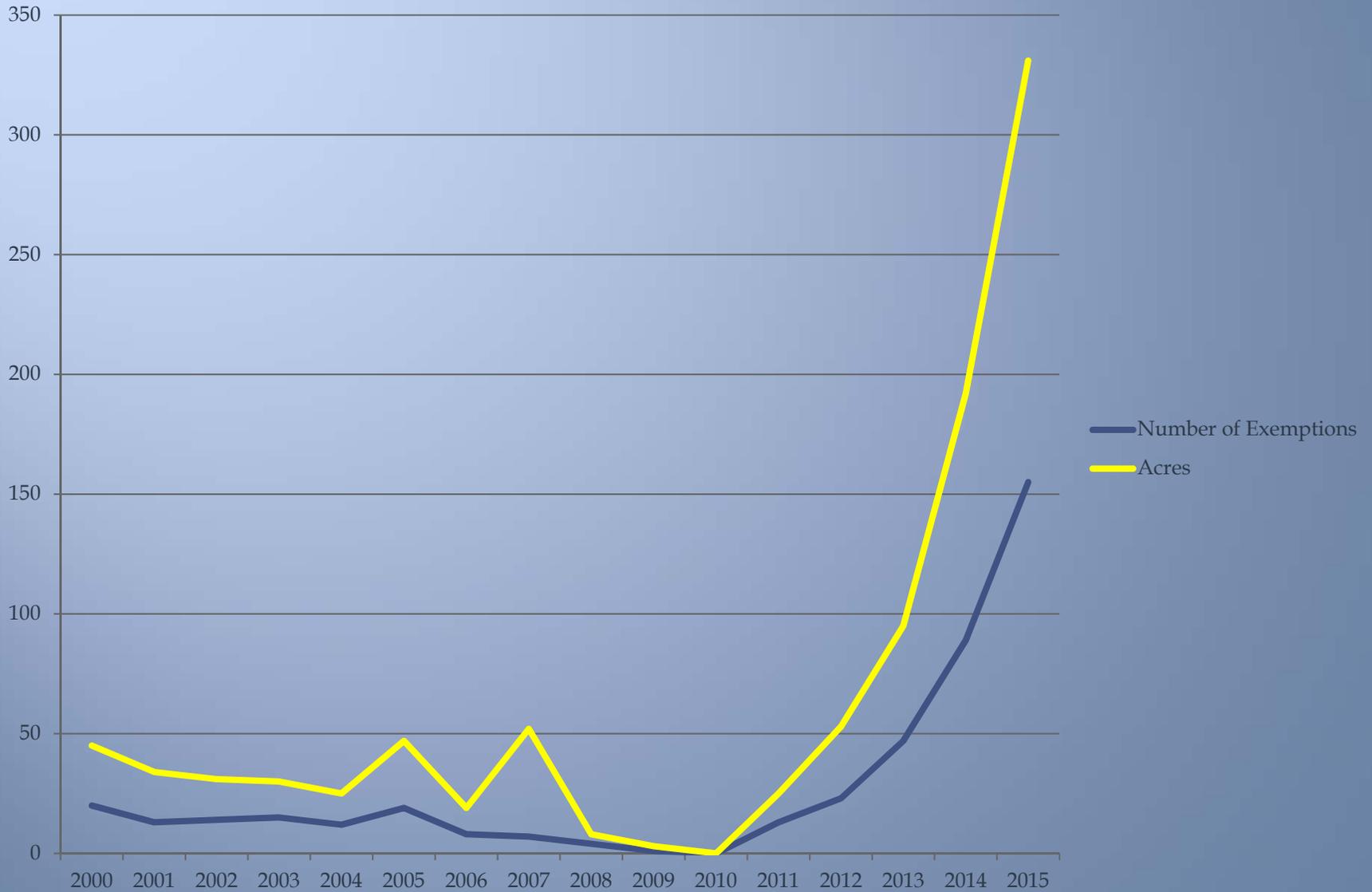
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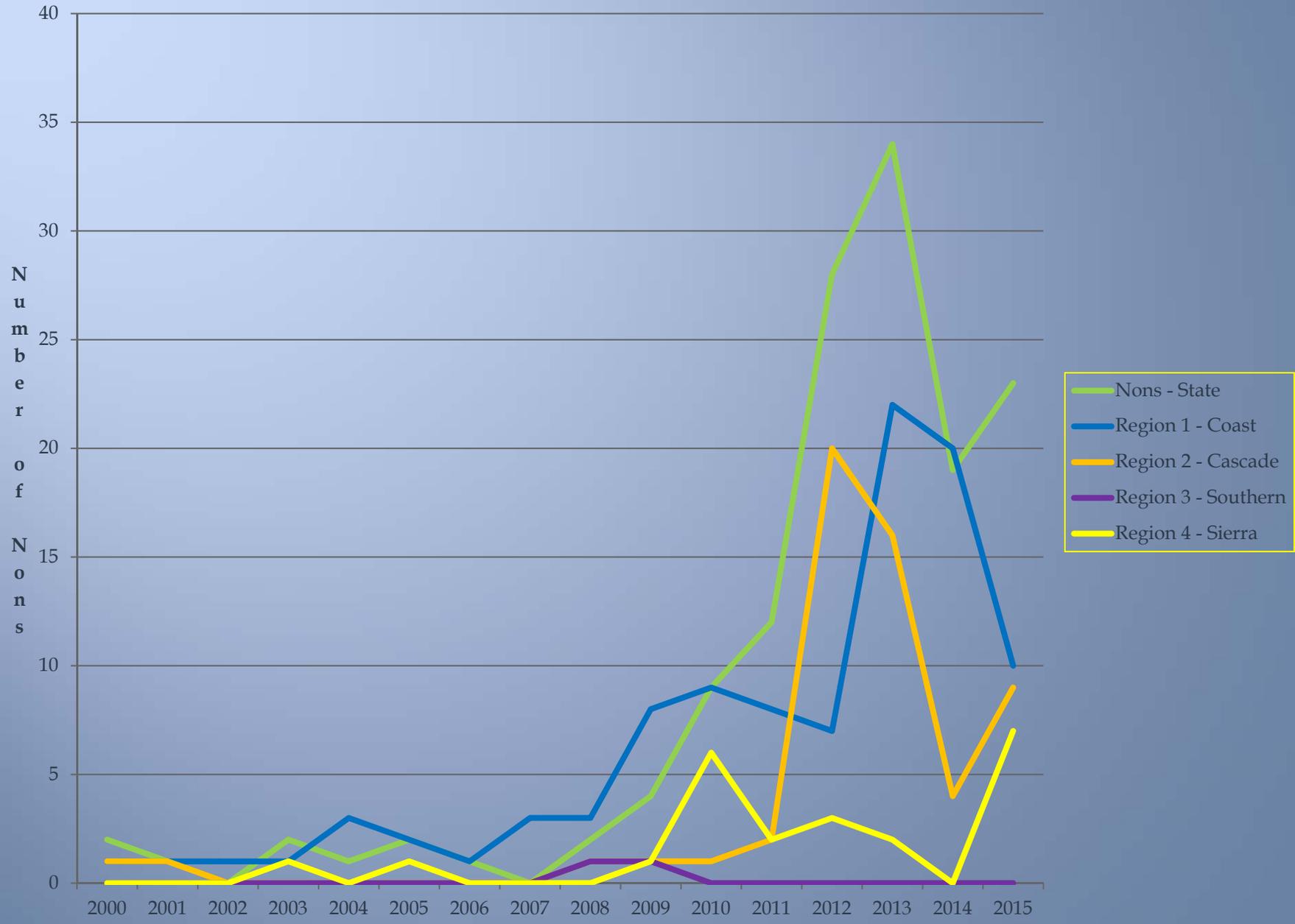
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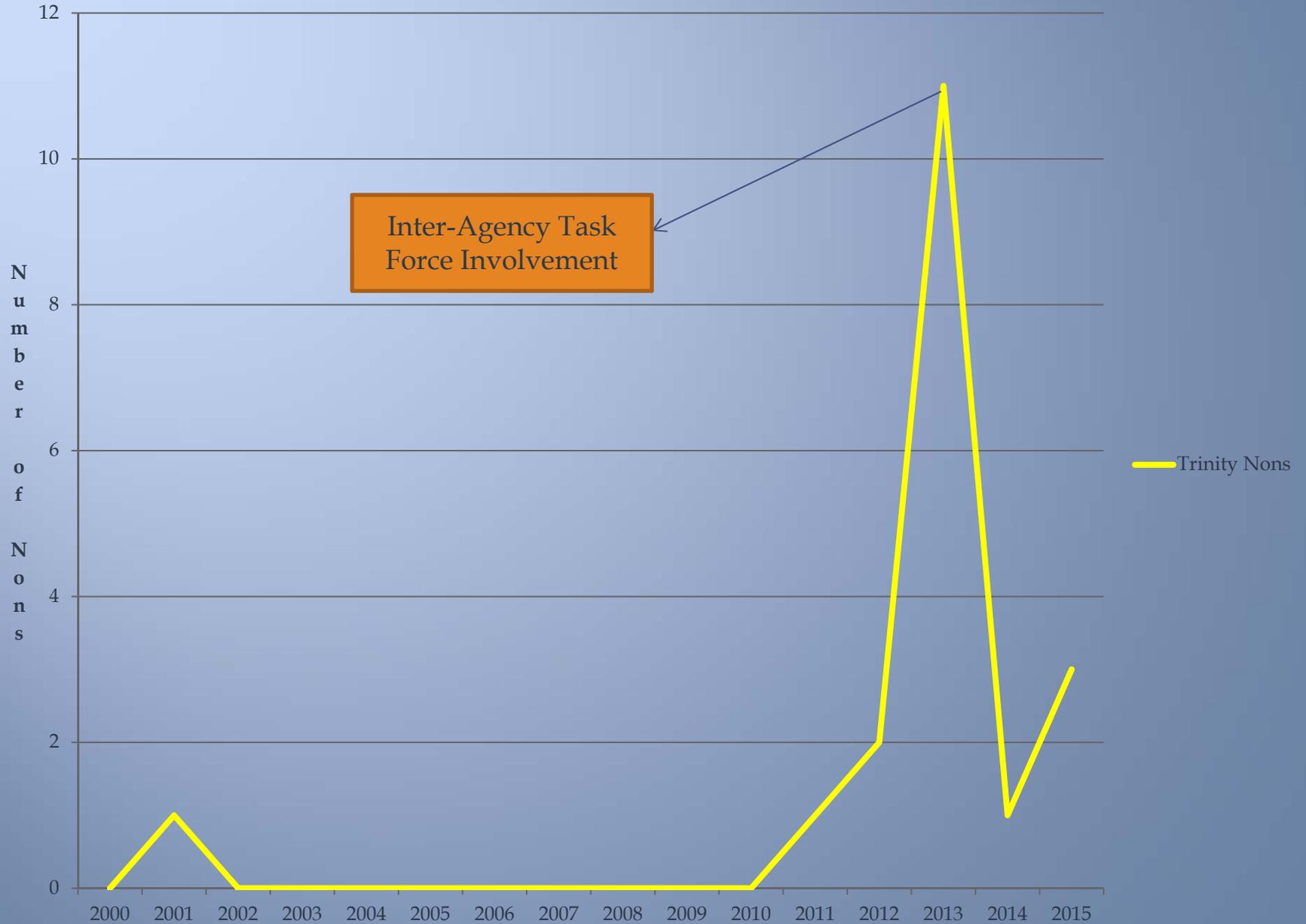
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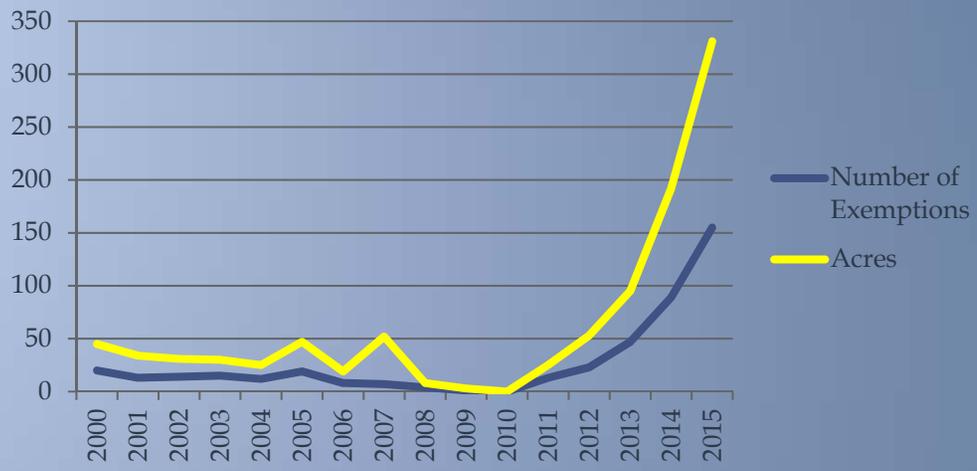
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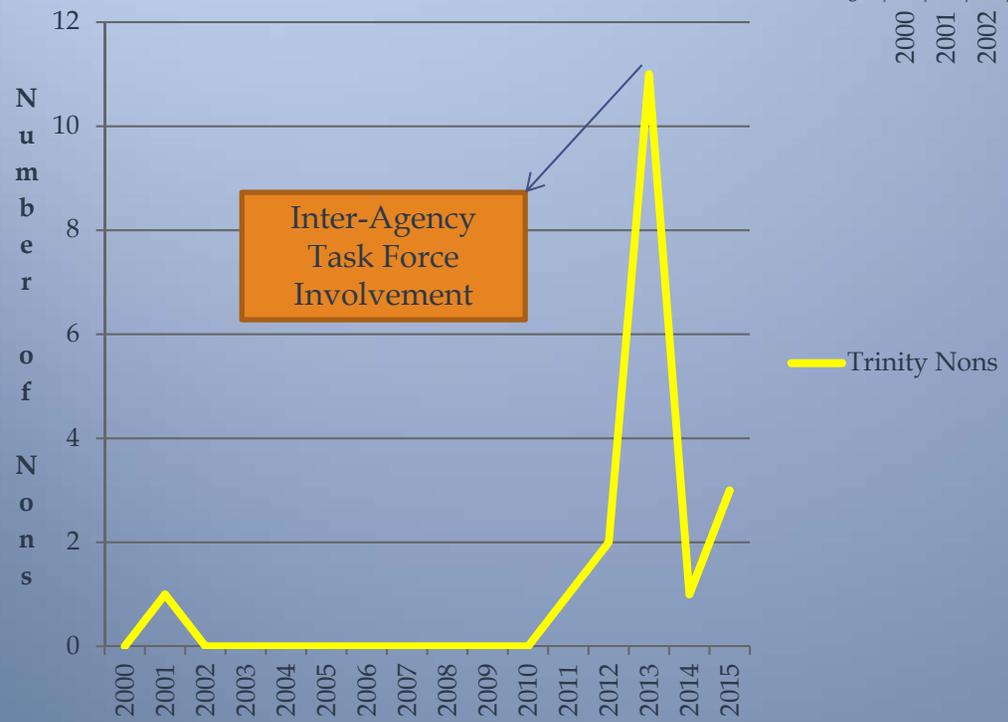
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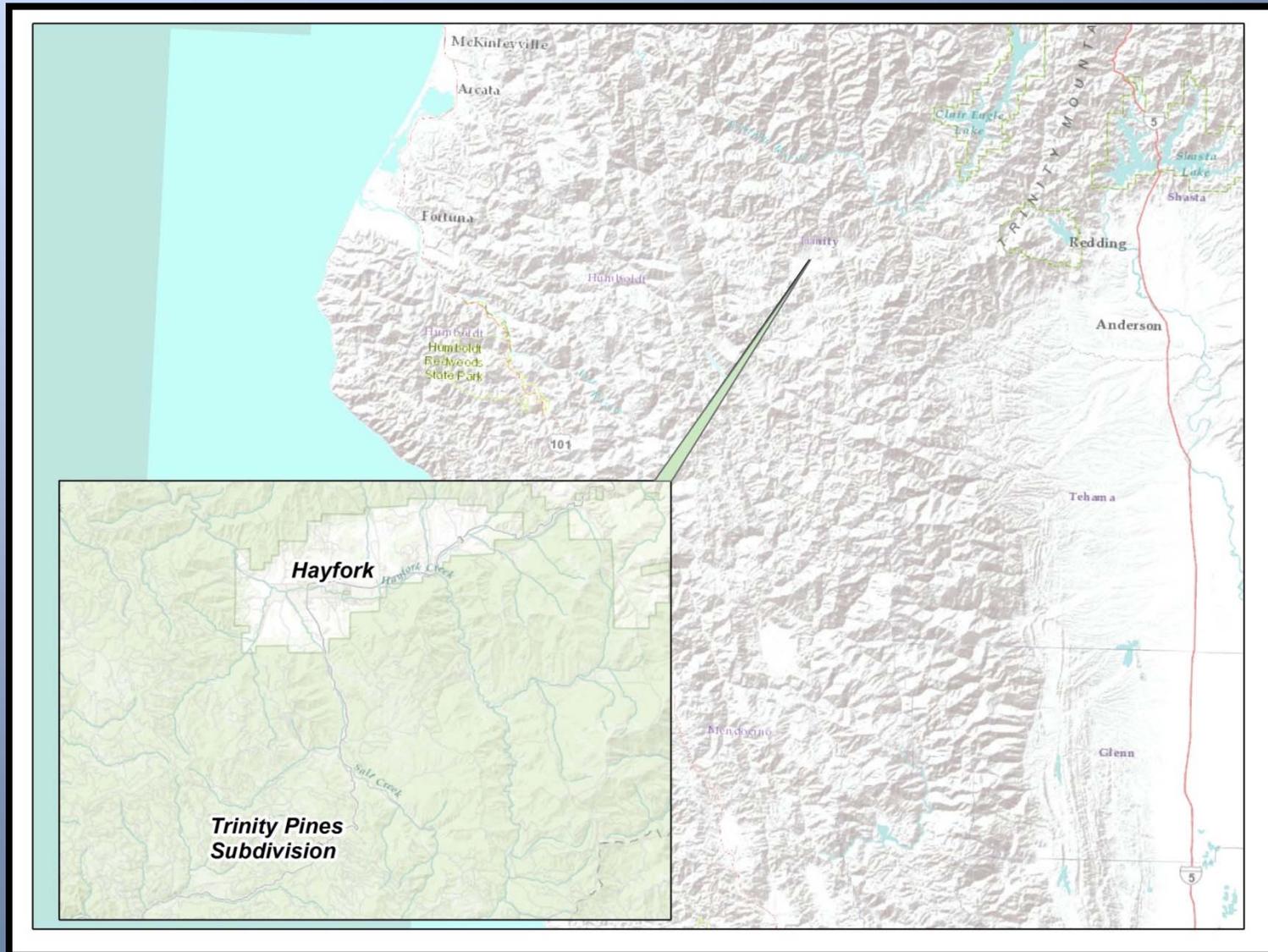
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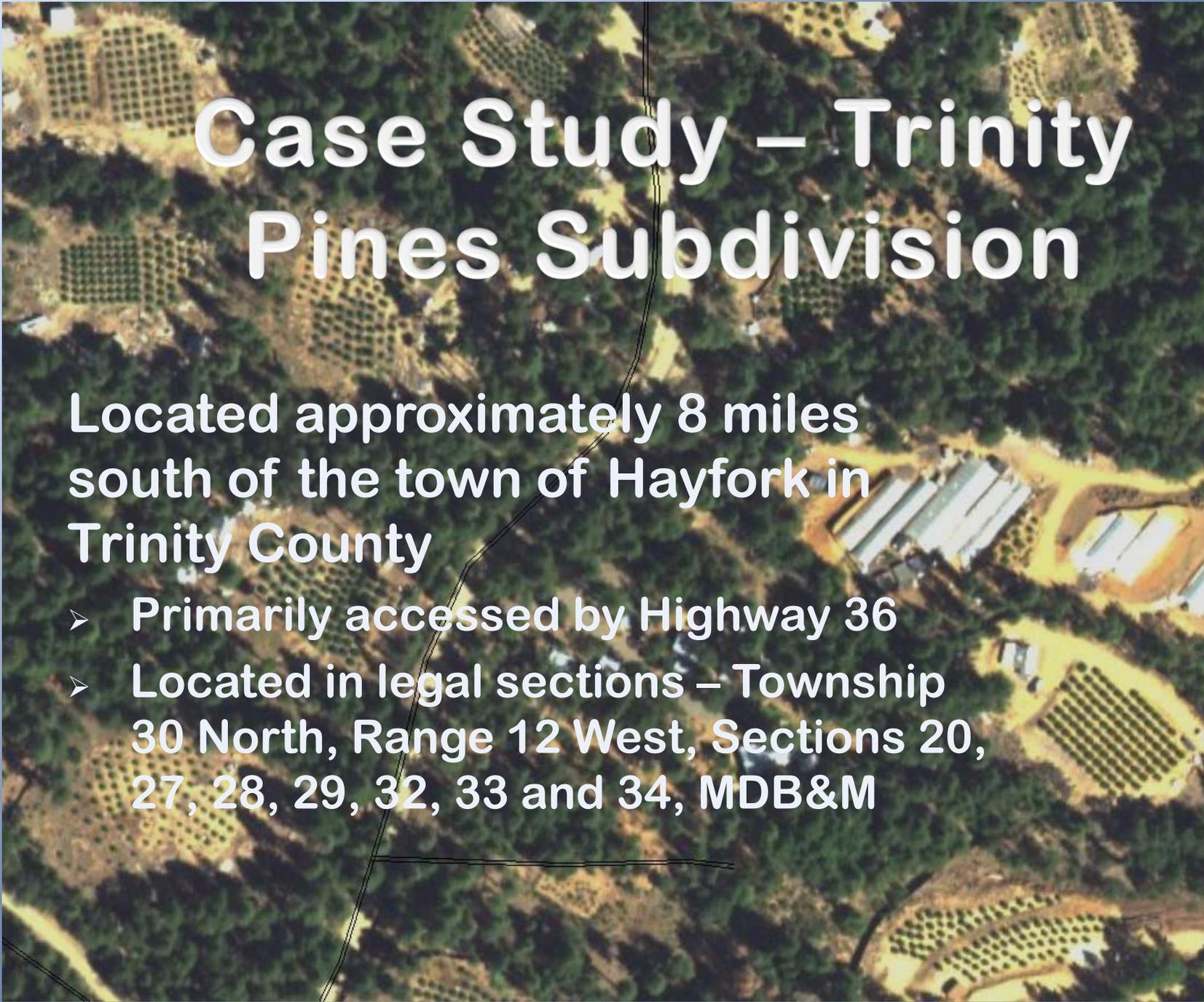


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# Conversions - Trinity County Case Study: Trinity Pines

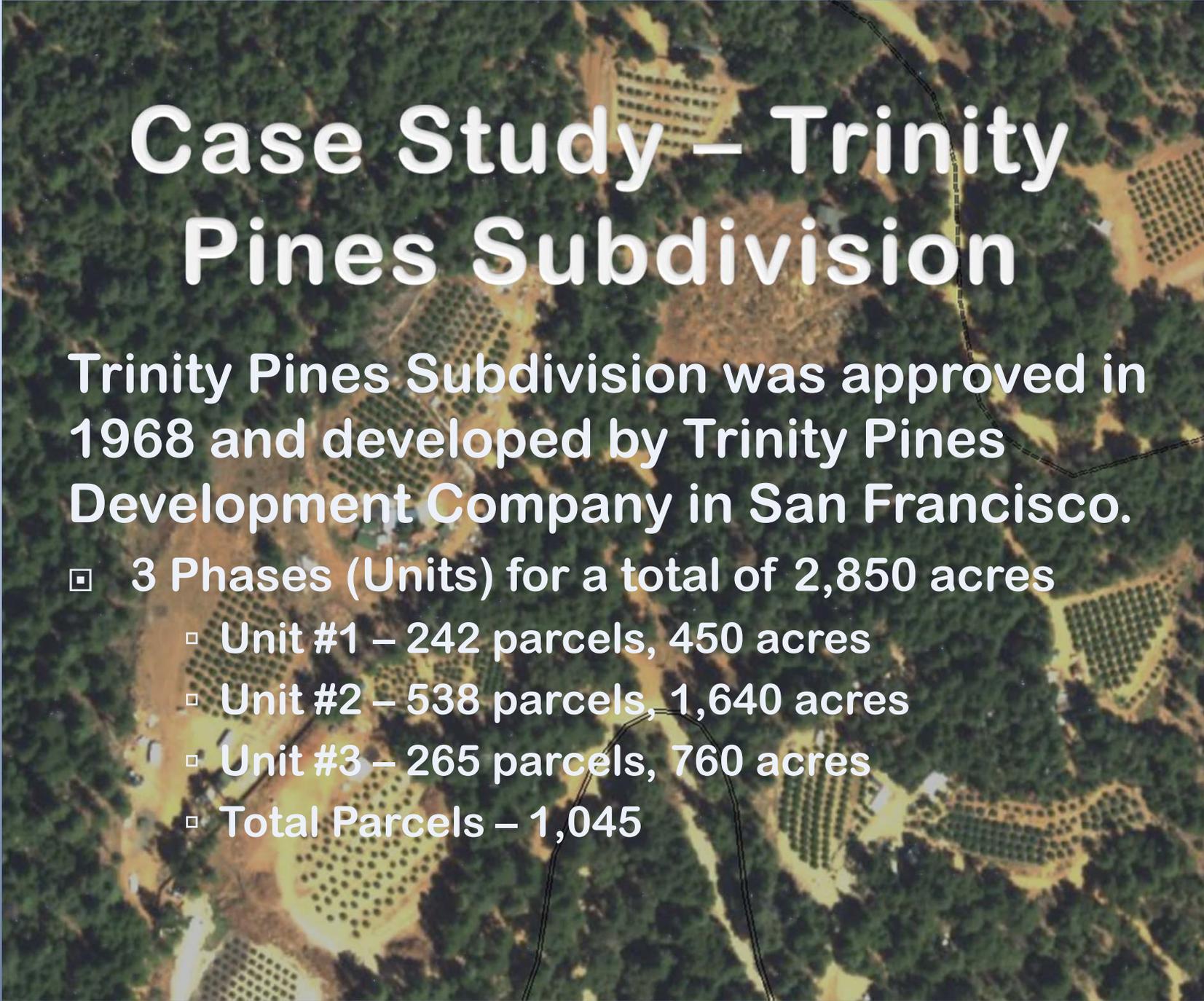




# Case Study – Trinity Pines Subdivision

Located approximately 8 miles south of the town of Hayfork in Trinity County

- Primarily accessed by Highway 36
- Located in legal sections – Township 30 North, Range 12 West, Sections 20, 27, 28, 29, 32, 33 and 34, MDB&M

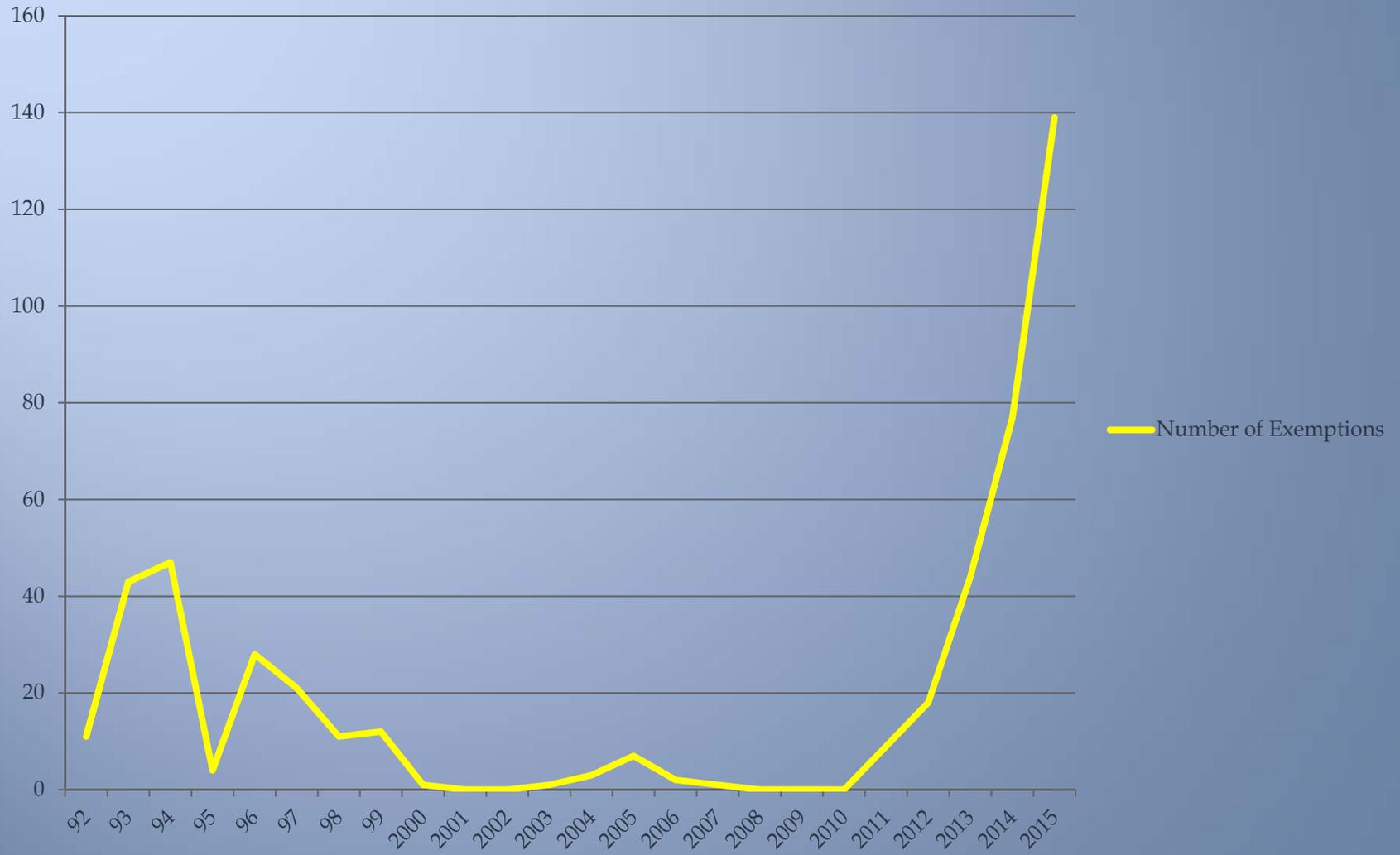


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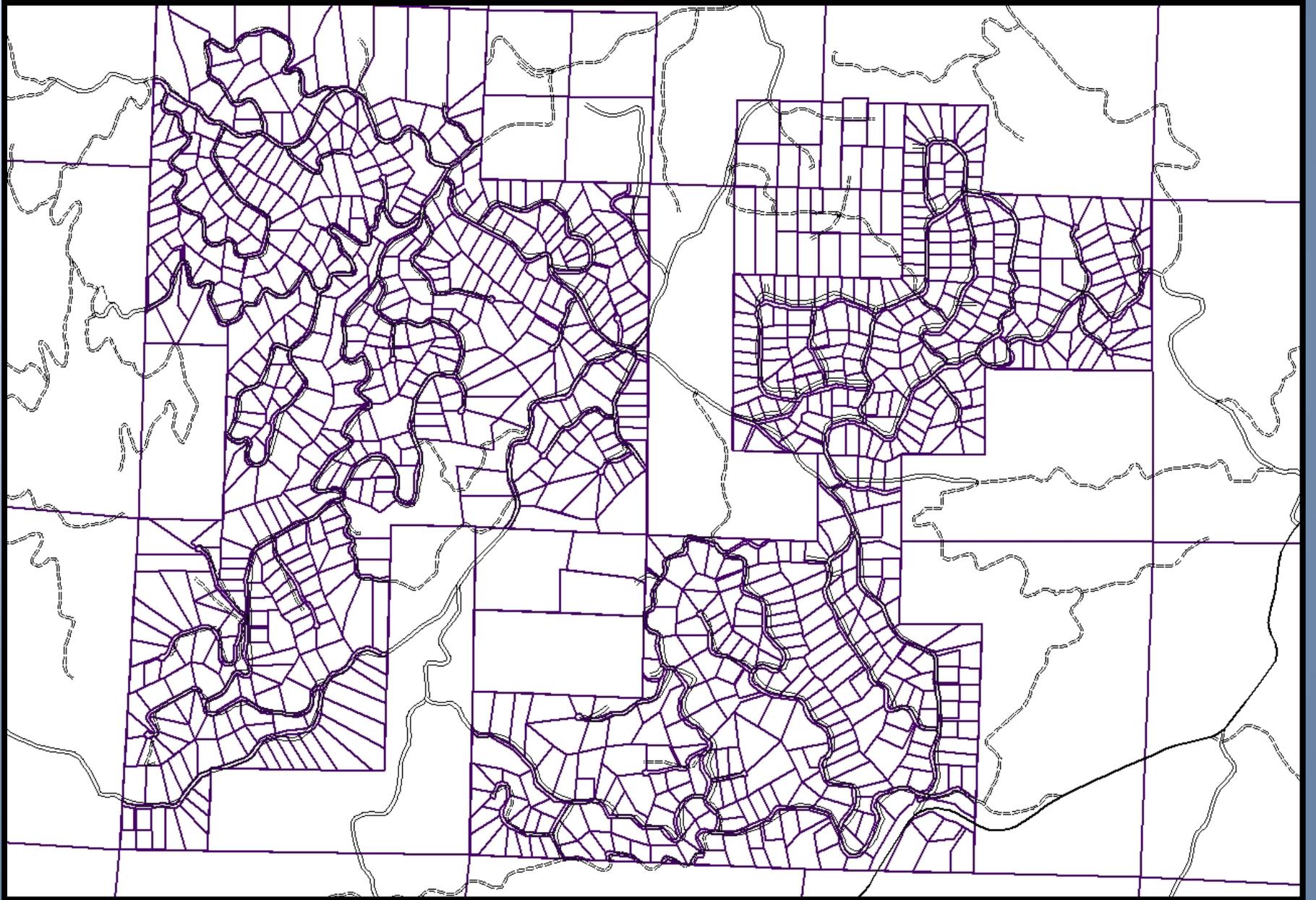
Trinity Pines Subdivision was approved in 1968 and developed by Trinity Pines Development Company in San Francisco.

- ▣ 3 Phases (Units) for a total of 2,850 acres
  - ▣ Unit #1 – 242 parcels, 450 acres
  - ▣ Unit #2 – 538 parcels, 1,640 acres
  - ▣ Unit #3 – 265 parcels, 760 acres
  - ▣ Total Parcels – 1,045

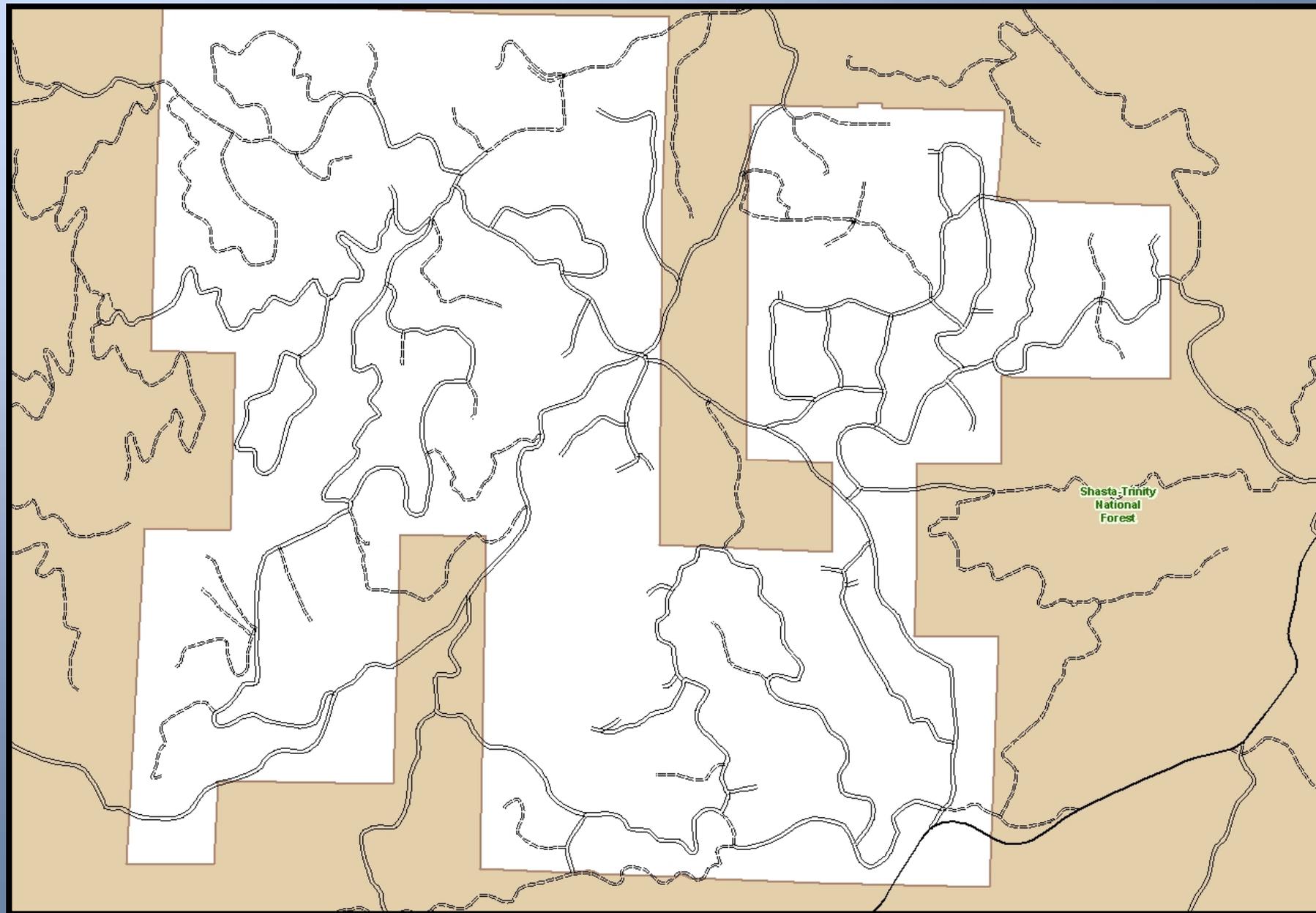
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# Trinity Pines Parcels



# Ownership – Brown = Shasta Trinity National Forest



## 2005 Imagery Trinity Pines



## <3 Acre Conversions in Trinity Pines: 2011



## <3 Acre Conversions in Trinity Pines: 2011-2012



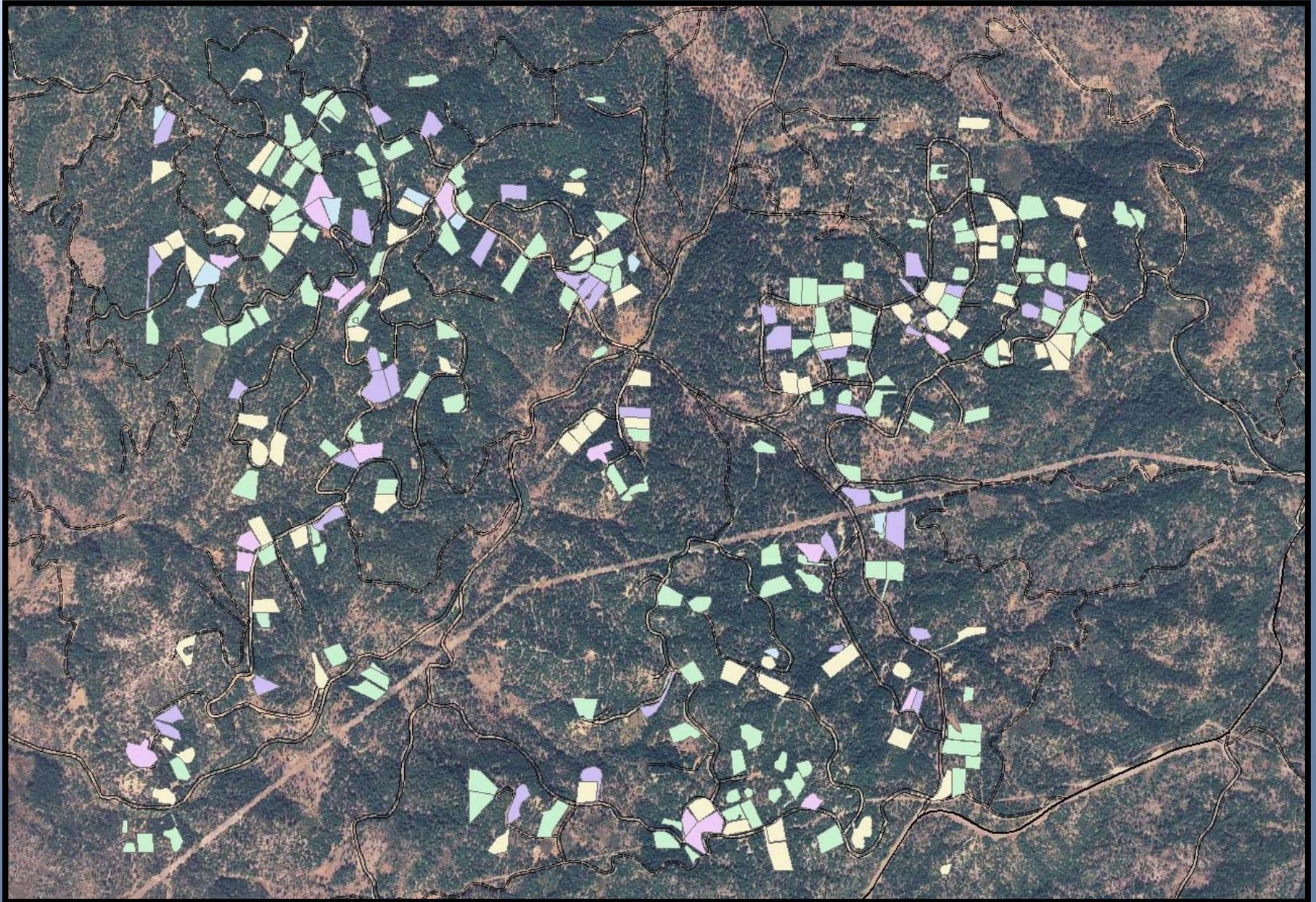
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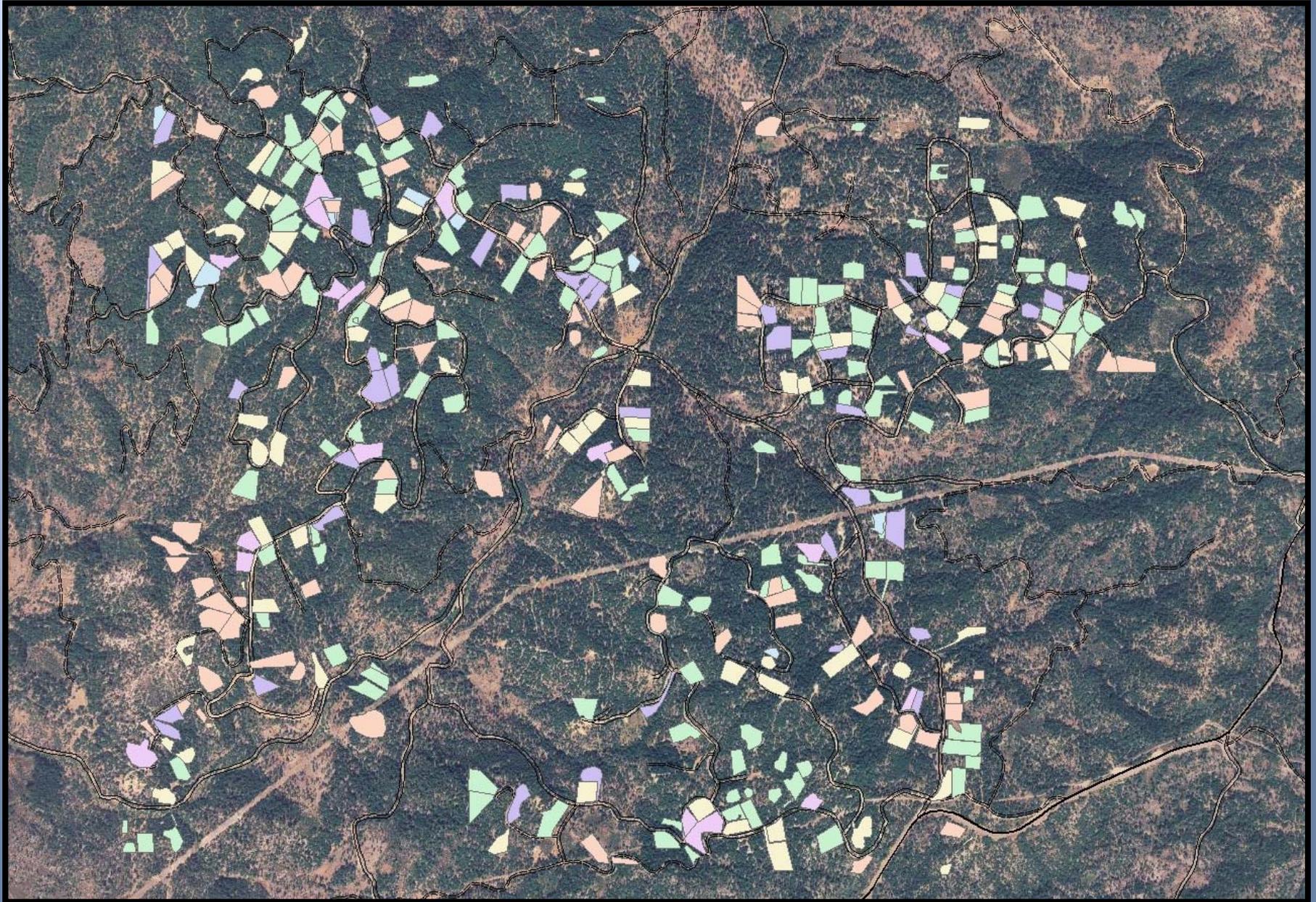
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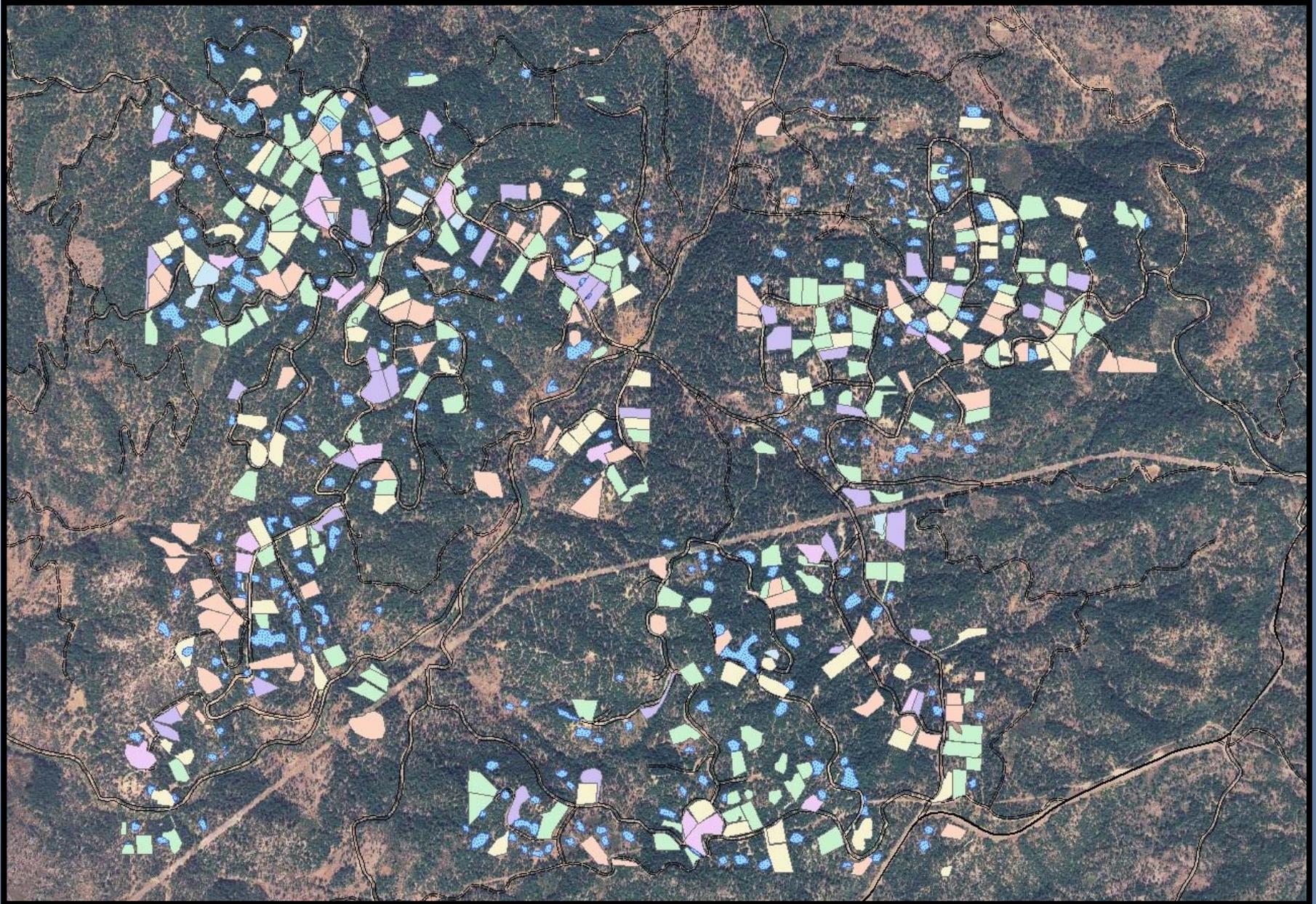
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## <3 Acre Conversions in Trinity Pines: 2011-2016



# < 3 Acre Conversions in Trinity Pines: 2011 – 2016 Plus Areas Potentially Illegally Converted



**There are more than 200 potentially illegal conversions located within the Trinity Pines subdivision.**



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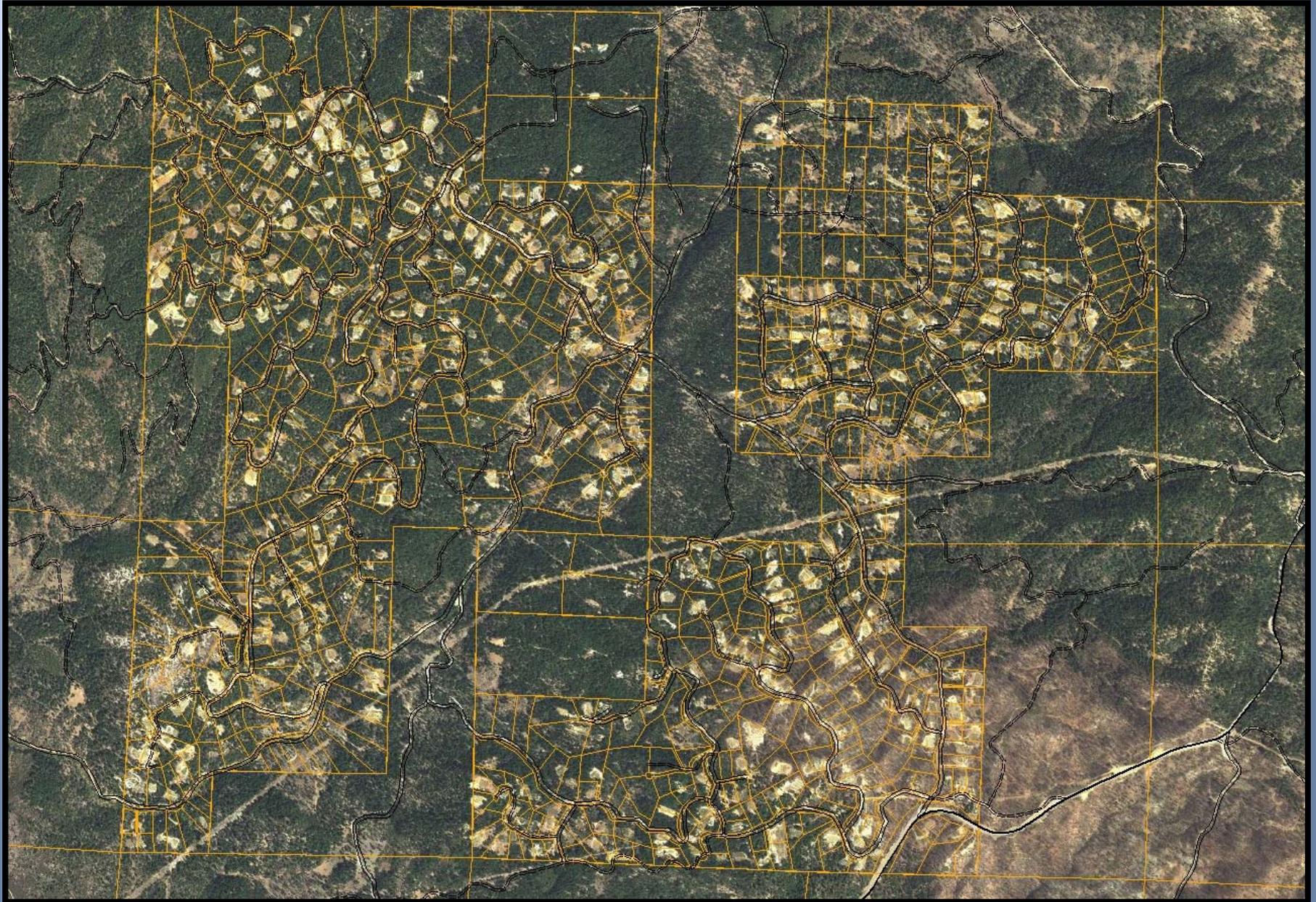
## 2009 Imagery Trinity Pines



## 2016 Imagery Trinity Pines



## Parcel Overlay With 2016 Imagery



# Conversions, Parcels and 2016 Imagery

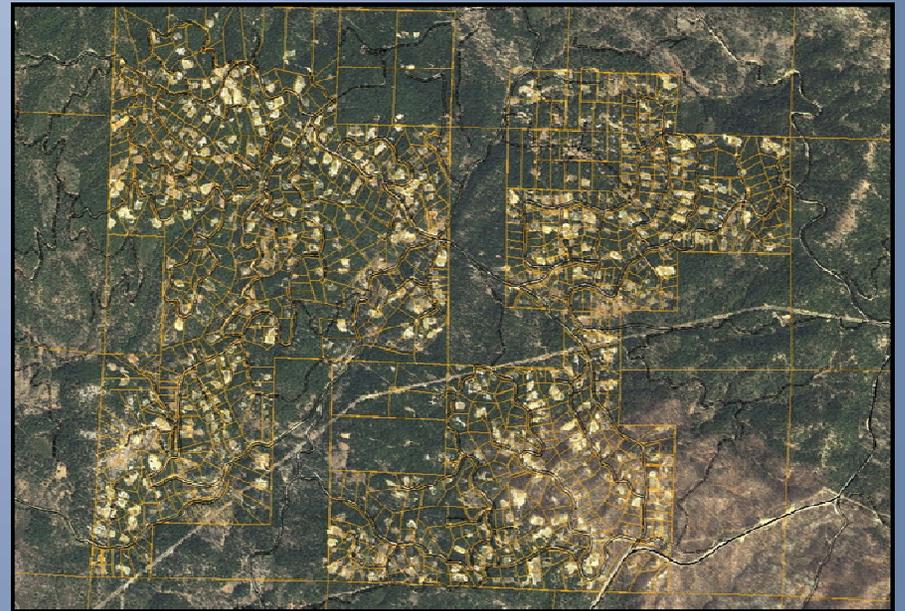


# Then and now...

2005



2016

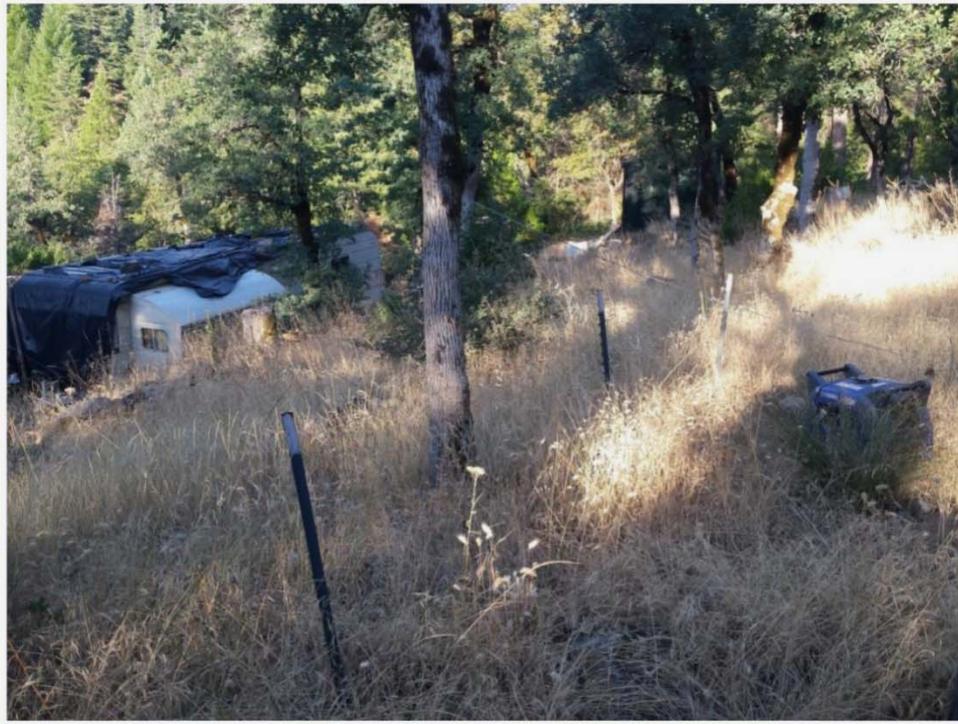




**Photos of Slash  
Treatment Violations  
Taken During  
Inspections**

**Photos of Improper Soil  
Stabilization Measure  
Violations Taken During  
Inspections**





**Forest  
and  
Fire Law  
Violation – Equipment  
Clearance**



## LE-100 (PRC §4291) Violation



Substandard  
Wiring



# Health and Safety Code Violation – Outdoor Refuse Burning



## Suggestions for Improvement

**Encourage Counties to have an authorized designee from the Board of Supervisors**

It ensures that the proposed conversion activities are in conformance with all county regulatory requirements.

## Suggestions for Improvement

**For all Permitting – Have letters cross referencing the other agencies that also may need noticing.**

Example – CAL FIRE's acceptance letter will refer the applicant to be aware that other County, State or Federal Regulations may apply, and provide contacts to those sources.

## Suggestions for Improvement

Share information between agencies...

Example – Exemption and emergency mapping project from CAL FIRE.

## Suggestions for Improvement

### Work with the Board of Forestry to evaluate:

- Effectiveness of the existing rules in protecting resources from impacts of timber harvesting
- Effectiveness of cumulative impacts assessment

Work with the Board to develop needed revisions, if rule changes are determined to be warranted