

# Applications of Remote Sensing-Based Evapotranspiration Data Products for Agricultural and Water Resources Management

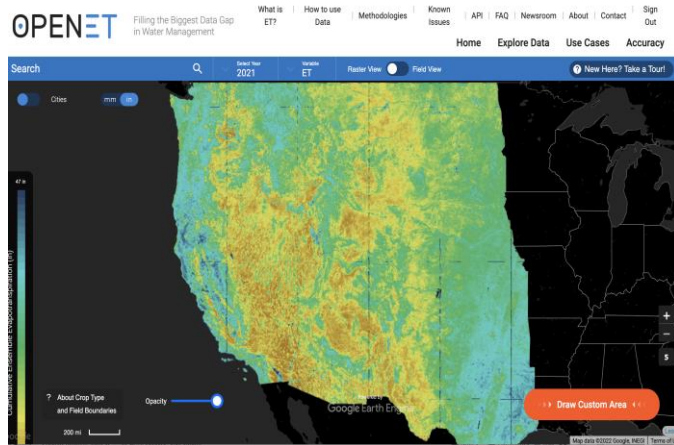
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# Training Outline

Three 1.5-hour sessions offered in English with materials available in Spanish

## Part 1: June 1, 2022



<https://explore.etdata.org/#5/39.665/-110.396>

OpenET

Speaker: Forrest Melton  
NASA Ames Research Center

## Part 2: June 8, 2022

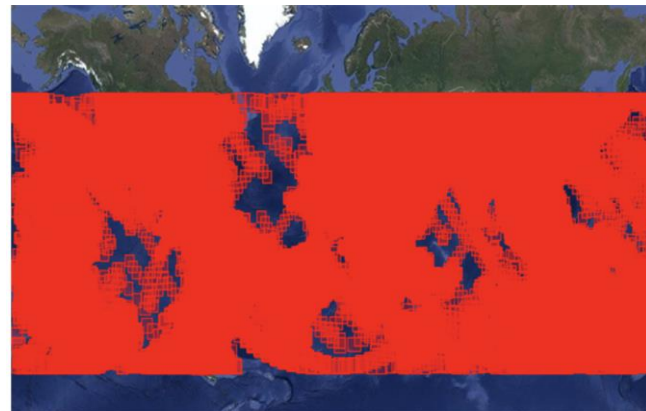


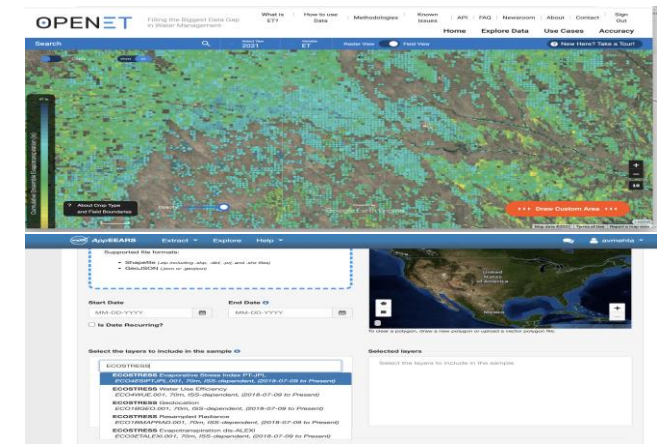
Figure 2. Represent the actual coverage area acquisition as of 19 March 2020.

<https://ecostress.jpl.nasa.gov/science>

ECOSTRESS ET

Speaker: Gregory Halverson  
NASA JPL

## Part 3: June 15, 2022



**Exercises: Access and Analysis of OpenET and ECOSTRESS ET Data**





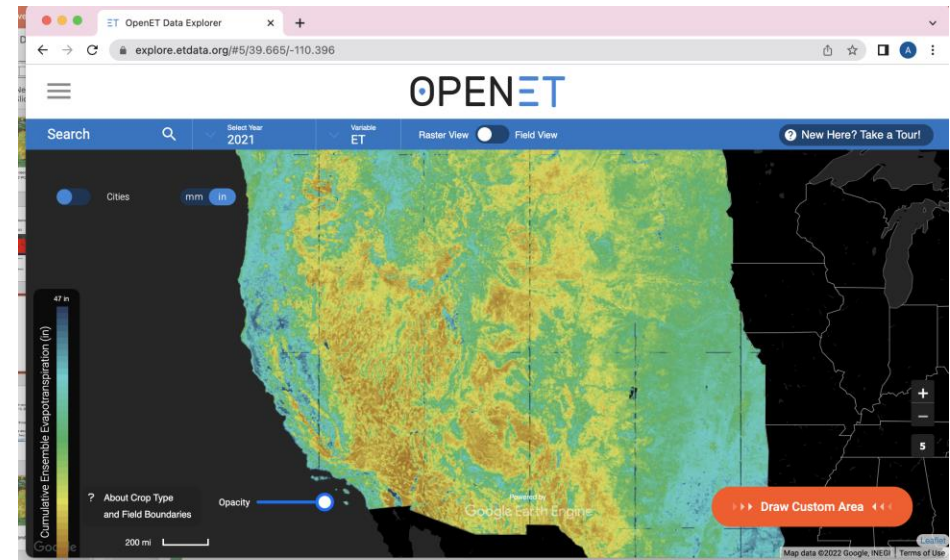
# Homework and Certificate

- One homework assignment:
  - **Homework is posted** on the ARSET [website](#)
  - Answers must be submitted via [Google Form](#)
  - Due date for homework: June 29, 2022.
- A certificate of completion will be awarded to those who:
  - Attend all live webinars
  - Complete the homework assignment by the deadline
  - You will receive a certificate approximately two months after the completion of the course from: [marines.martins@ssaihq.com](mailto:marines.martins@ssaihq.com)



# Outline

- Summary
- OpenET and ECOSTRESS ET data:
  - Unit conversion of ECOSTRESS ET
  - Demonstration of ET data access, OpenET, and ECOSTRESS ET (AppEEARS) data.
- Lab time: Exercises



# Summary

- Overview and access of OpenET evapotranspiration data:  
<https://openetdata.org/>
  - Calculated using remote sensing data and six different models.
  - Ensemble mean and individual model ET, available for the western US at 30 m resolution.
  - Currently monthly data and annual cumulative data are available, daily data will be available in near future.
  - OpenET will be extended to cover entire US in near future, efforts are underway to expand internationally.
  - Potential ET and gridded precipitation data included along with ET data



# Summary

- Overview, access, and analysis of ECOSTRESS ET:
  - <sup>1</sup>Calculated using ECOSTRESS surface temperature and saturation vapor pressure data in Priestley-Taylor Jet Propulsion Laboratory (PT-JPL) algorithm (Fisher et al., 2008).
  - PT-JPL ET data are global, and available at 70 m resolution.
  - Daily ET estimates and evaporative stress data are available from <https://appears.earthdatacloud.nasa.gov/>
- Both OpenET and ECOSTRESS ET are validated by using the eddy covariance technique at FLUXNET sites (Baldocchi, 2001)

Baldocchi, et al., 2001, FLUXNET: A new tool to study the temporal and spatial variability of ecosystem-scale carbon dioxide, water vapor, and energy flux densities, *Bulletin of the American Meteorological Society*, 82(11), 2415-2434.

Fisher et al., 2008, Global estimates of the land-atmosphere water flux based on monthly AVHRR and ISLSCP-II data, validated at 16 FLUXNET sites, *Remote Sensing of Environment*, 112(3), 901-919.

<sup>1</sup>[https://ecostress.jpl.nasa.gov/downloads/atbd/ECOSTRESS\\_L3\\_ET\\_PT-JPL\\_ATBD\\_20180509.pdf](https://ecostress.jpl.nasa.gov/downloads/atbd/ECOSTRESS_L3_ET_PT-JPL_ATBD_20180509.pdf)



# Convert Watts/m<sup>2</sup> to mm/day

- PT-JPL ECOSTRESS ET is the units of energy (Watts/m<sup>2</sup>) that is used for evapotranspiration of water

## Note:

1 day = 86,400 seconds

1 Watt = 1 Joule/second → 1 Watt/m<sup>2</sup> = 1 Joules/(second.m<sup>2</sup>)  
= 86,400 Joules/(day.m<sup>2</sup>)

Density of water = 1000 kg/m<sup>3</sup>

Latent heat energy of evaporation = 2.45 x 10<sup>6</sup> Joules/kg

= energy needed to evaporate 1 kg or 0.001m<sup>3</sup> or 1 mm of water

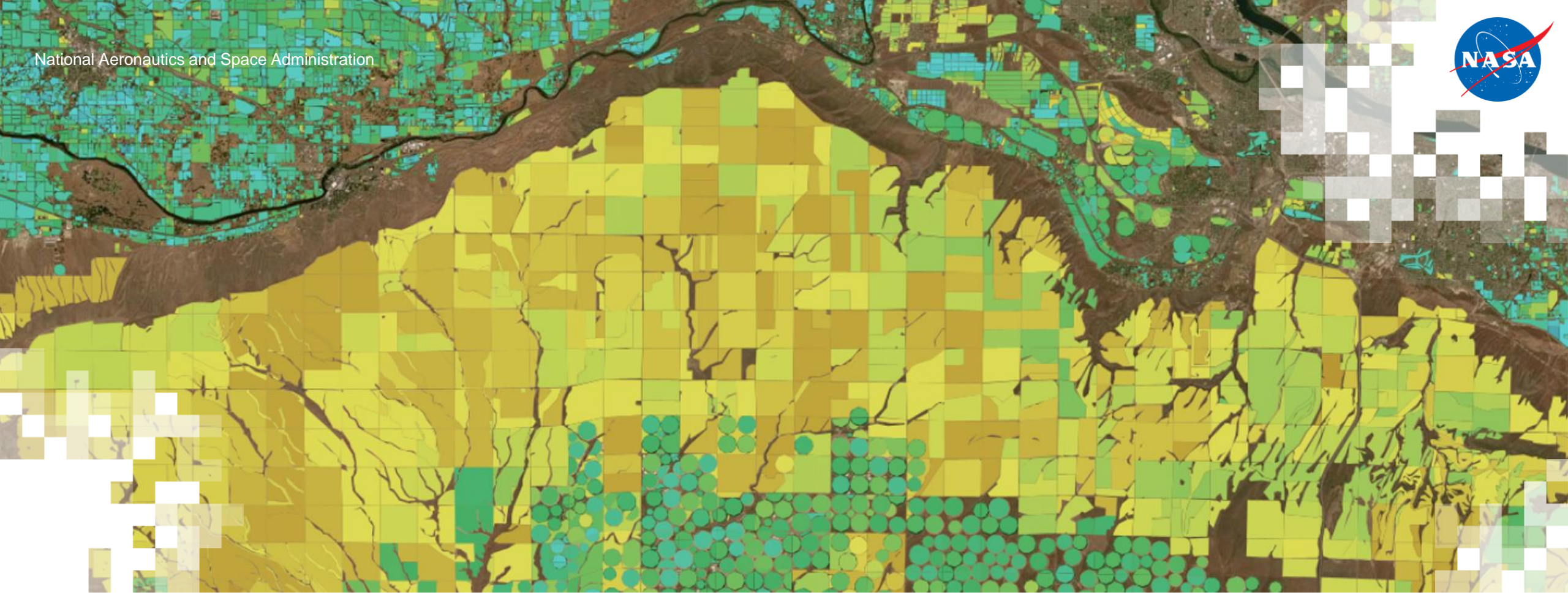
→ 2.45 x 10<sup>6</sup> Joules energy is required to evaporate 1 mm of water

In mm/day per m<sup>2</sup> = (ET \* 86400Joules) / 2.45 x 10<sup>6</sup> Joules

<sup>1</sup><https://academic.uprm.edu/abe/backup2/tomas/fao%2056.pdf>

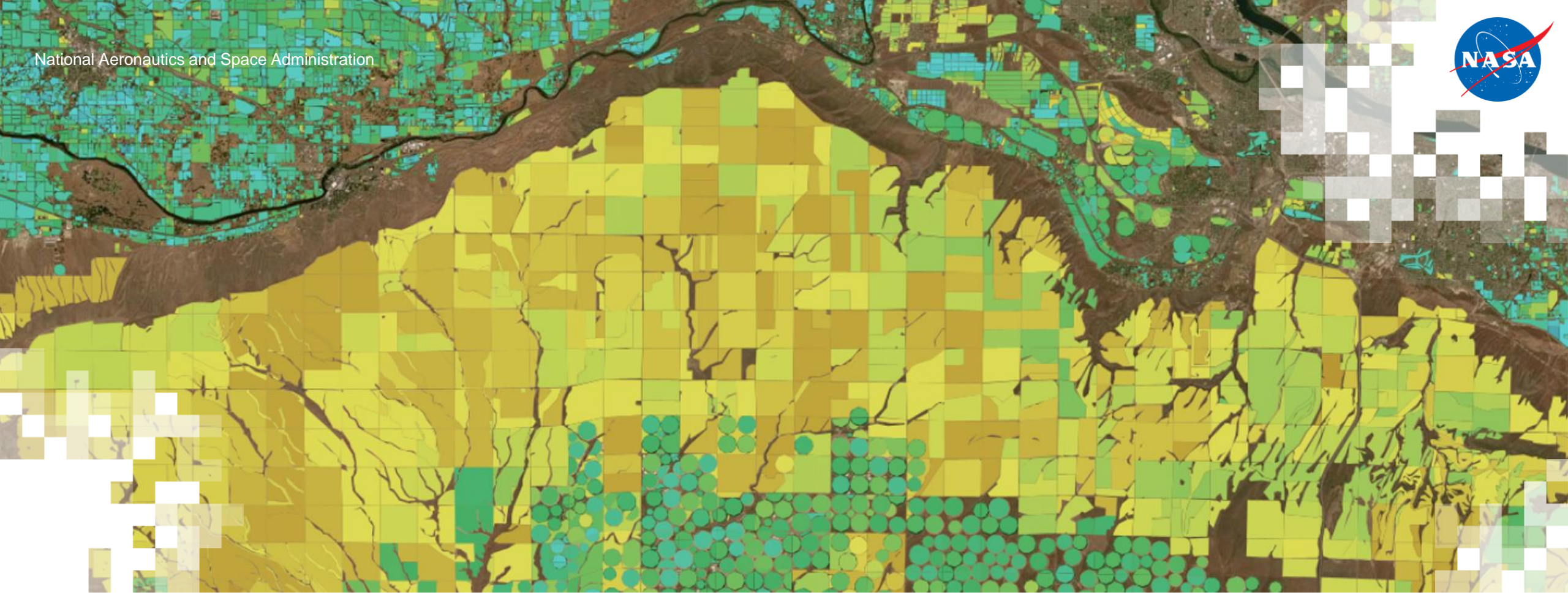






# Data Access Demonstration





Lab Time: [Exercise](#)

# Questions?

- Please enter your questions in the Q&A box. We will answer them in the order they were received.
- We will post the Q&A to the training website following the conclusion of the webinar.



<https://earthobservatory.nasa.gov/features/WaterWatchers/page1.php>



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