

Using New Technologies for Plot Maps

- Smart Phone GPS
- Using Google Earth
- Integrating Phone-GPS & Google Earth into spiffy plot maps
 - ✤ 1st, verify permanent marker
 - ✤ 2nd, making cool maps



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- What's a smart phone?
 - Handheld computer
 - Camera
 - ✤ GPS
 - ✤ Oh yeah... and a phone
- ✤ What's an app?
 - ✤ e.g. GPS essentials, Free GPS, etc.



Remember your first phone? Cost? Features?



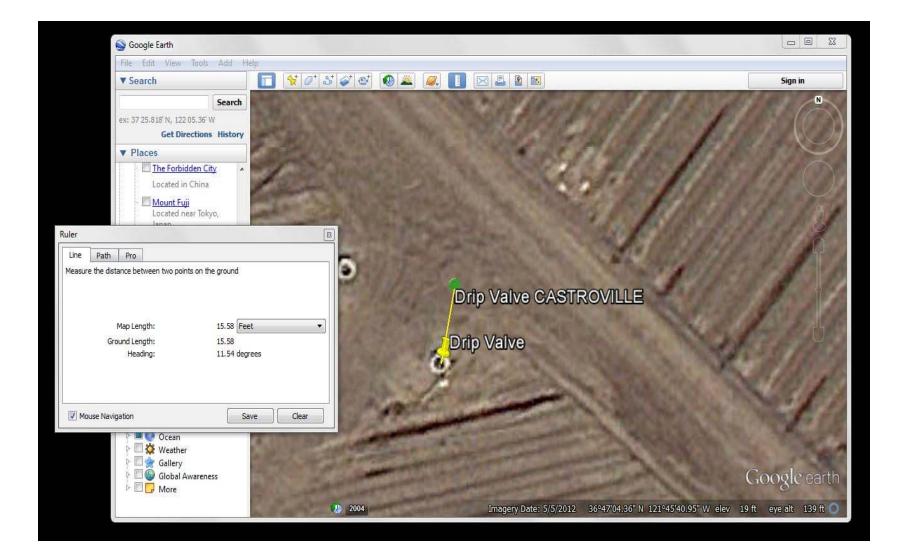
Mika's iPhone vs. Stephen's Android



Examples of where we're headed



2005: Using known benchmark to verify GPS

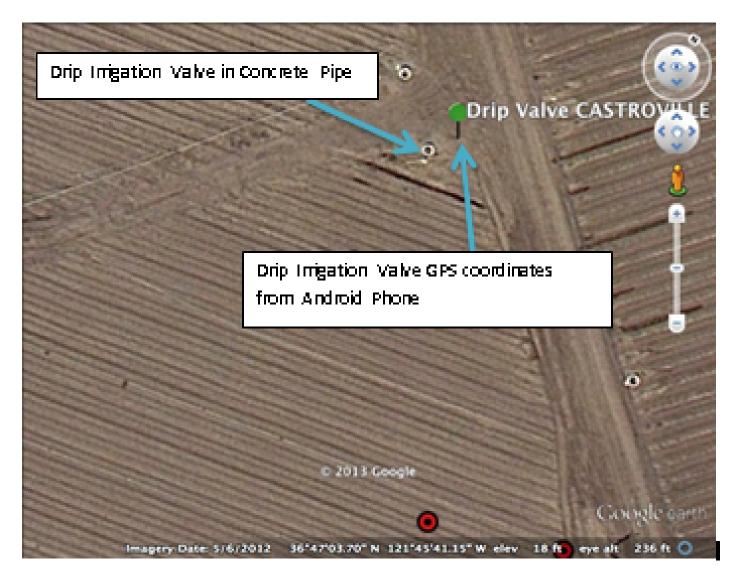


2013: Using visible landmark to verify GPS

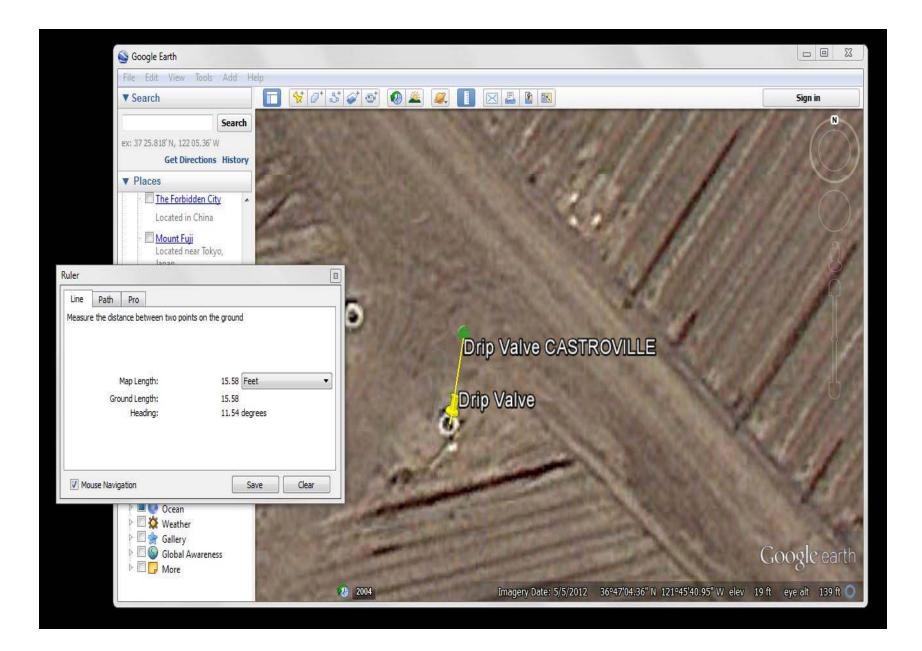


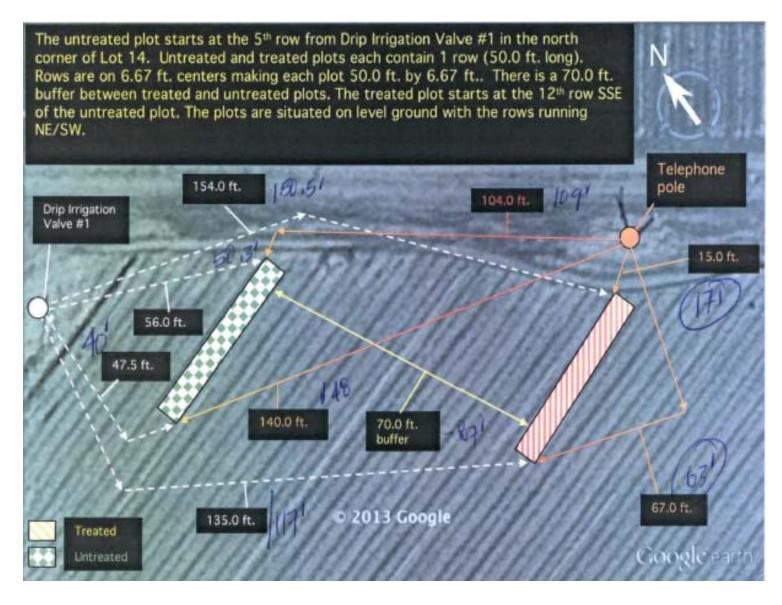
Permanent Marker verification w/ Smart Phone

- Download GPS app
 - Android: GPS Essentials
 - iOS: Free GPS (by CodeBurners)
- Download Google Earth <u>http://www.google.com/earth/download/ge/agree.html</u>
- Turn on Phone's GPS function (Android) or Location Services (iPhone)
- Record point @ permanent marker
- Send GPS data (waypoint) to GE
- Use GE ruler tool to compare accuracy

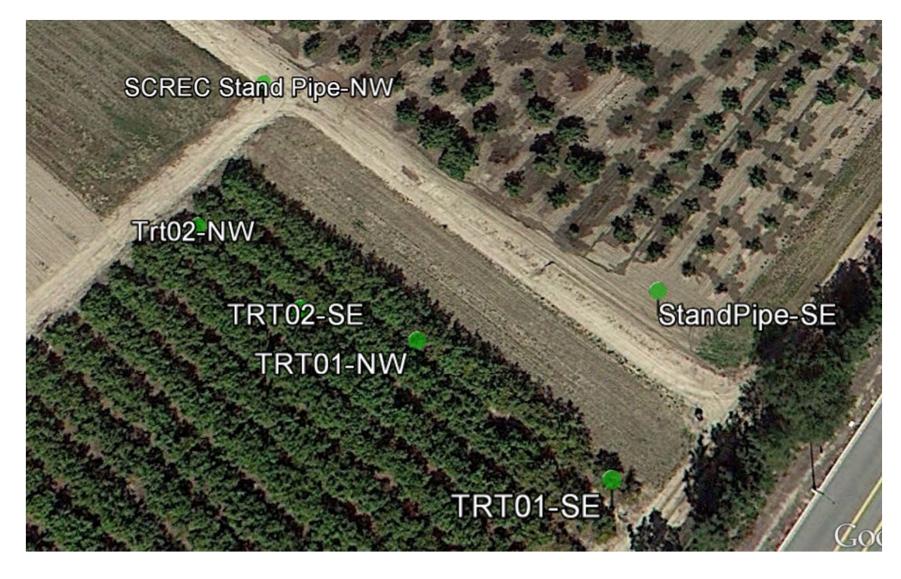


Coordinates of Valve from Google Earth: 36[°] 47′ 4.24″ Latt × 121[°] 45′ 41.26″ Long Coordinates of Valve from Samsung Phone: 36[°] 47′ 3.36″ Latt × 121[°] 45′ 39.63″ Long





Map drawn by sight on GE, handwritten distances=compared to GPS readings



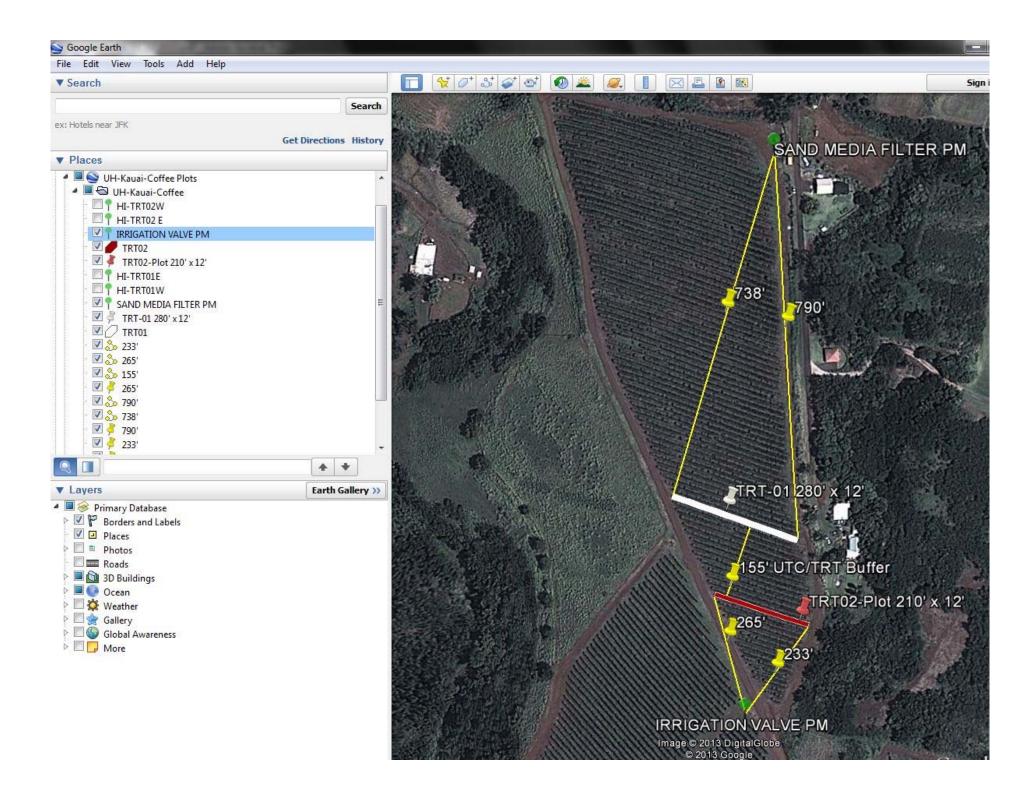
Raw GPS Waypoints

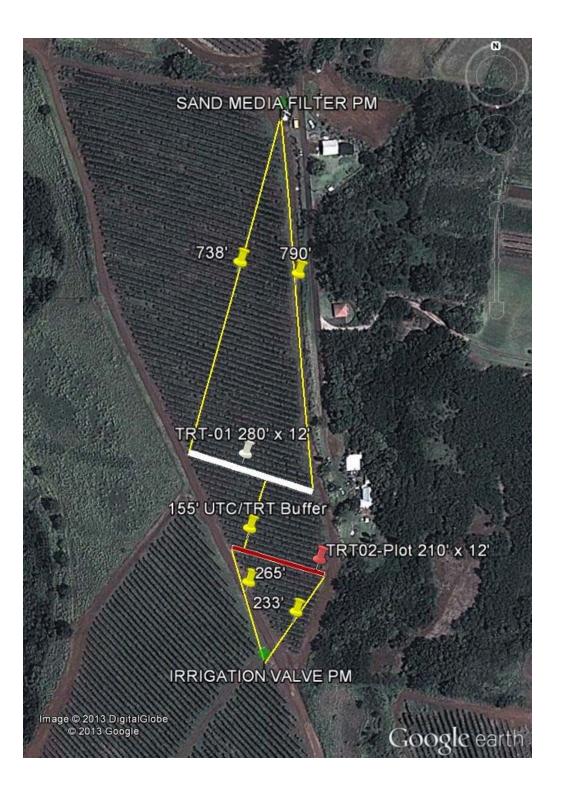


Corrected Plot & Permanent Marker Waypoints



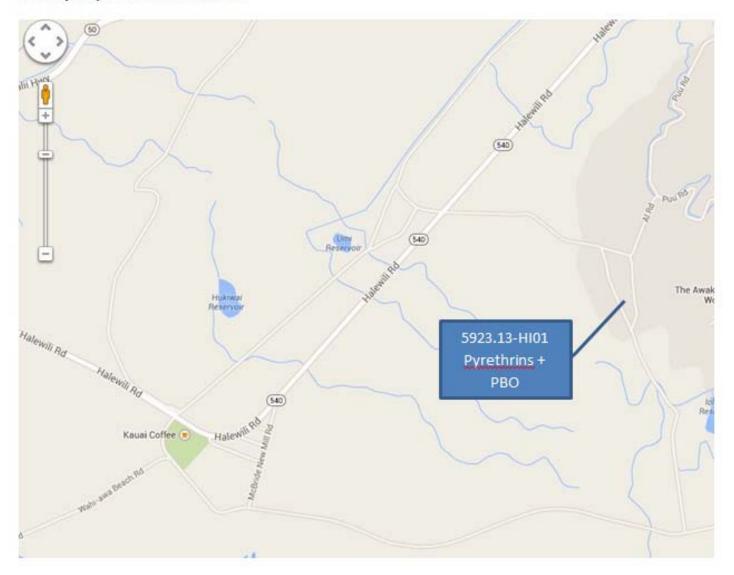
Raw Phone GPS data points imported into Google Earth





Finished Plot map using Google Earth drawing tools & ruler tool

Vicinity Map of Kauai Coffee Plot:



Permanent Marker/GPS Verification Log





Log showing accuracy on multiple days

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Date	Initials	# Satts	Greenhouse (ft)	# Satts	Blueberry (ft)
11/4/13	07	15	301	17-	261
11/11/13	AT	15	311	15	30'
11/12/13	07	14	351	13	32'
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- Update SOPs
- Verify Accuracy of GPS unit
- Use GPS waypoints or visible features to draw an accurate map
- Don't lose sight of map's purpose, i.e. that a reviewer (EPA) could reasonsably relocate your plot.
- Check out the resources page for more details on these tools

