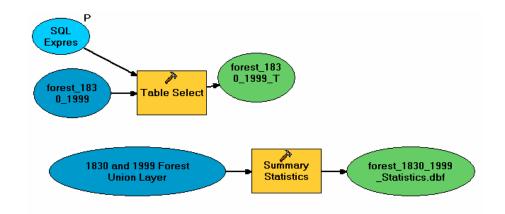
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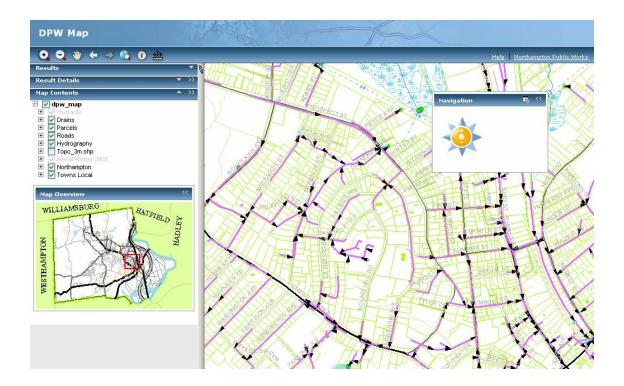
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Sample model used in BIO364

SAL Initiatives

- Planning Committee for GIS Day held at Umass on November 2, 2007
- Planning Committee for fall 2008 NEARC conference
- Planning Committee for spring NEARC conference at Smith on May 13th 2007
- Help develop job description and qualifications document for GIS/GPS Technician
- Refine and Develop infrastructure for interactive mapping application for "a discussion of the variety of Buddhism in the Pioneer Valley"
- Develop Interterm 2008 workshop (January 22-25, 2008)
- Awarded a NITLE Technology Fellowship to develop expertise in delivering Virtual Globe technologies to Liberal Arts Colleges
- Collaboration with Bob Burger to develop and Natural Hazards textbook
- Develop infrastructure for collaborative college-town <u>interactive map server</u> (below)



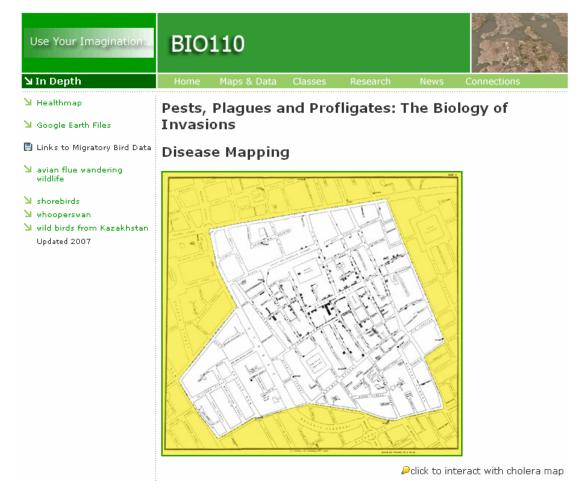
Other News of Interest

- Interterm GIS Course: January 22 25, 2008
- Spring NEARC conference returning to Smith for 4th straight year on May 13th 2008

SAL Usage / Classes

Fall 2007

Class Name	Course Code	Students
Animal Behavior Lab	BIO353	7
Plant Ecology	BIO364	5
Pests, Plagues and Profligates: The Biology of Invasions	BIO110	10
Feminisms and the Fate of the Planet	SWG230	8
Introduction to Earth Processes and History	GEO111	GPS Support
Principles of Ecology	BIO266	GPS support



Support

Thesis / Special Studies

• Cassandra Finger (urban planning techniques and morphology in ancient Rome)

Doctoral

• Jenn Seavey (GIS and analysis support)

Masters

• Larua Vann (GPS fieldwork, computer support)

Other Student / Class Projects Support

- Maria Rendon (Psychology: Historic Holyoke)
- Jessica Wilbarger and team (Engineering Design Clinic: Stream restoration project in Whately; General GIS help, data searching, etc.)
- Indira Deonandan (research support: valley elevations)
- Sophia LaCava-Bohanan (campus map)
- Students in SWG230, BIO110, BIO353, BIO364

Faculty / Staff Support

- Bob Burger
- Jamie Hubbard
- Elizabeth Armstrong
- James Lowenthall
- Steve Tilley
- Elaine Chittenden
- Jenn Seavey
- Thomas Hartley
- John Brady

General Support

- Poster printing
- System Administration
- Programming / Scripts
- Mapping/Cartography Projects
 - o Buddhism in the Valley

Ongoing Program Support and Development

• Continued support for Botanic Garden tree and plant mapping

Programmatic

- Web Page maintenance
- System Administration
- Valley GIS Meetings
- Five College GIS Meetings
- SAL Blog; Screen casts; podcasts

Student Assistants

- Cassandra Finger
- Moitri Ghosh
- Hannah Davis

Software & Data

New software and data acquired and installed during the summer and fall includes:

- Update special collections data archive (http://www.science.smith.edu/sal/data.html#specialcollection)
- Acquire Adobe Web Development Toolkit
- Updated Arc2Earth License

