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It is not the strongest of the species that survives, nor the most intelligent. It is the one that is most **adaptable to change**.

-Charles Darwin



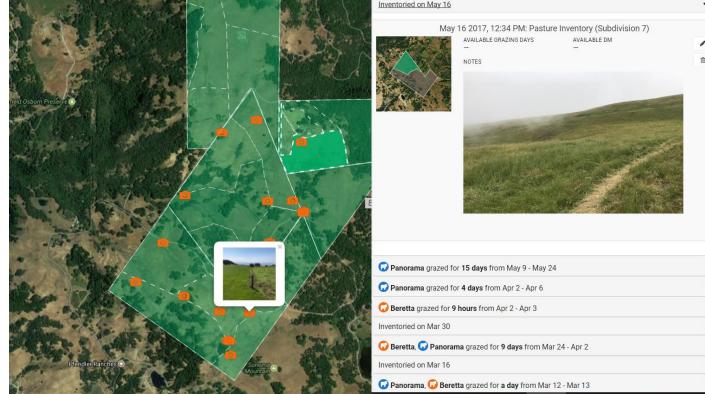




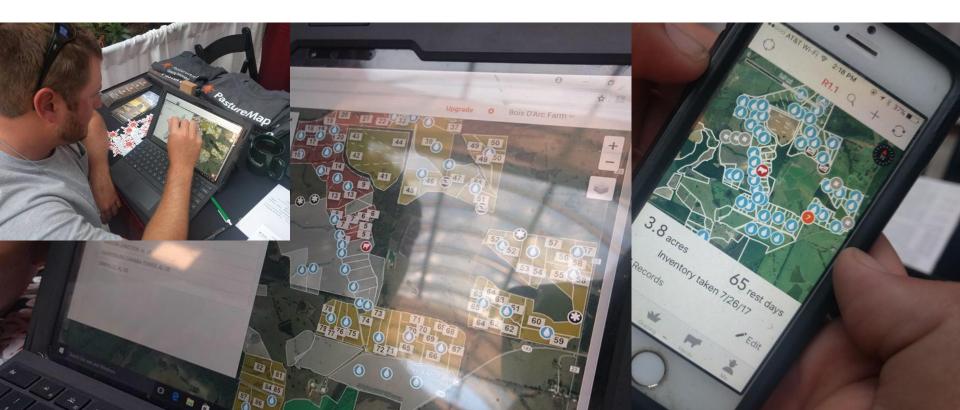


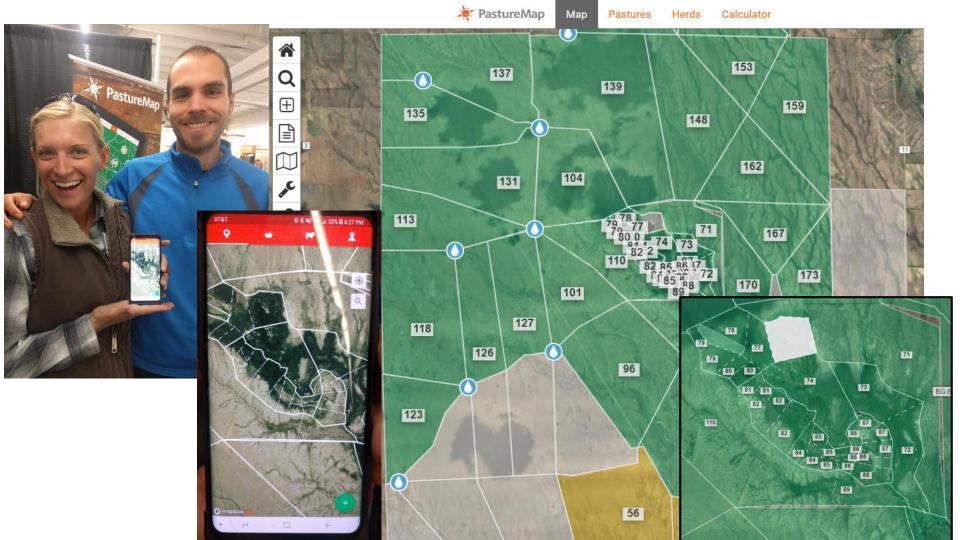
Learning the landscape without 40 years of knowledge





Helping knowledge scale to new minds





Freeing time for higher value work





"Joe can plan out the moves for all 3 properties so we can all see the plan without driving half an hour to HQ.

I can mark out where valves are, or where the tree is down on the fence, and teammates can find it on their phone.

I don't have to drive out to watch high schoolers spend 6 hours digging for the pipeline." -Senior ranch staff

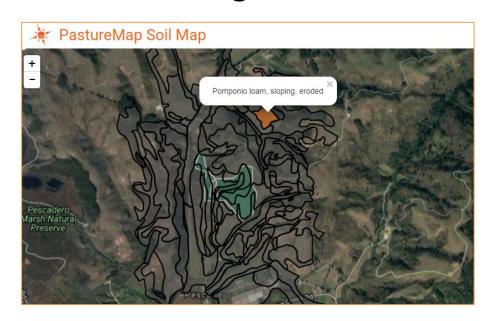
Helping farmers tell their story

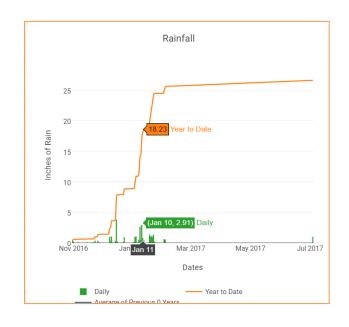


Enable consistency and differentiation



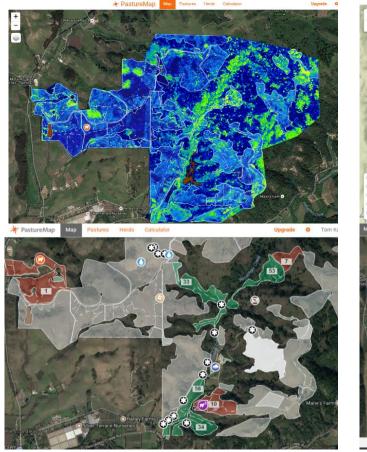
Network insights: Soil like mine, climate like mine

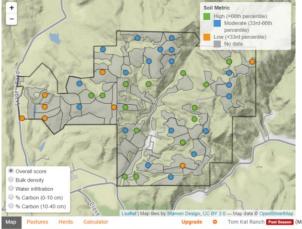




What types of animals might do well? How are similar operations doing it?

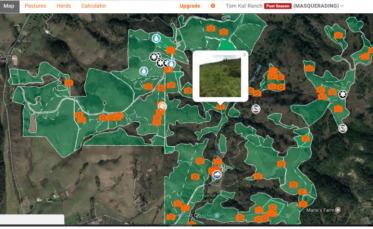
Tell a soil regenerating story with data backup











Why isn't beef more like wine? Terroir and breed variation not marketed



Finished on volcanic range native grasses on Idaho Snake River Canyon





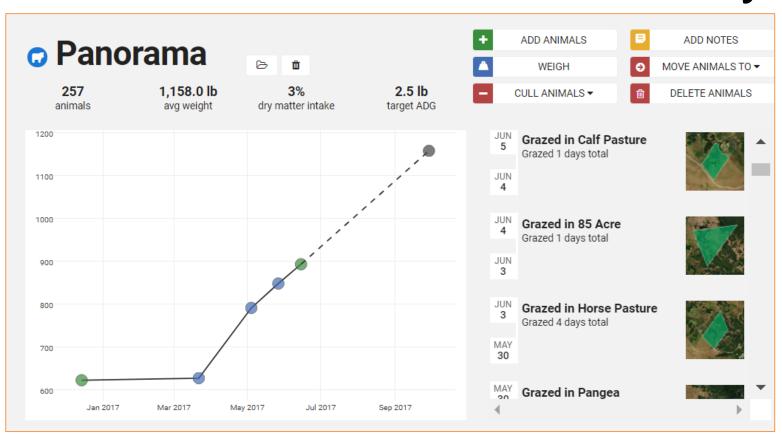


Belted Galloways bred for coastal fog cliffs eating perennial saltgrass in CA

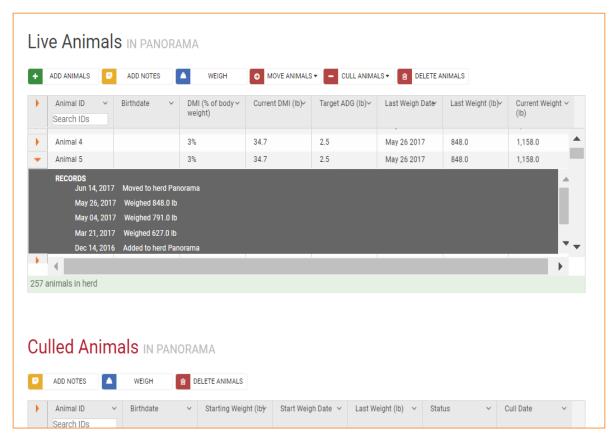
CA: high mountain country vs fruit and wine country vs brittle dryland, different soils and seasons

Finishing on different forages – achieve consistent quality but make flavor variation a strength?

Understand carcass variability



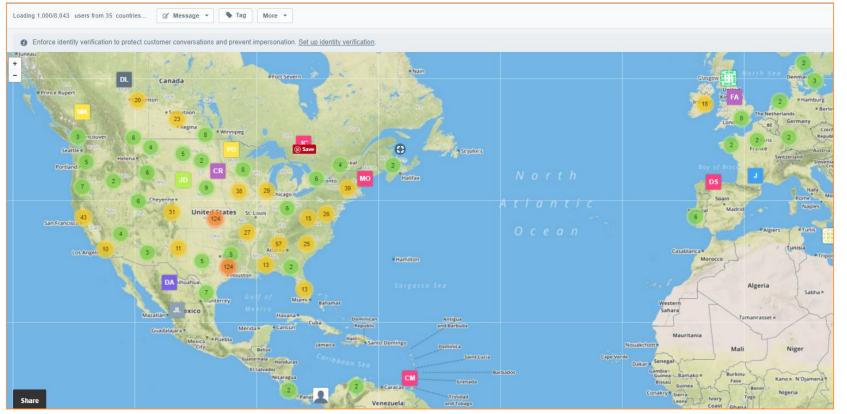
Lifetime animal traceability



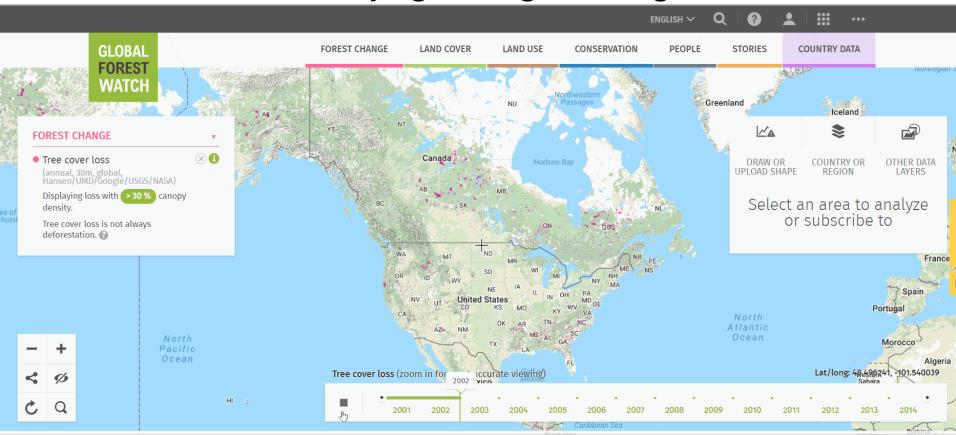
Carcass weight, quality grade tied to grazing records

Improve consistency of quality but enable product differentiation

8000 graziers in 38 countries What can we learn from each other?



Layered data: Soil health, ground cover, biodiversity, grazing management



What to do with all the free time?



Eliminate and regenerate work







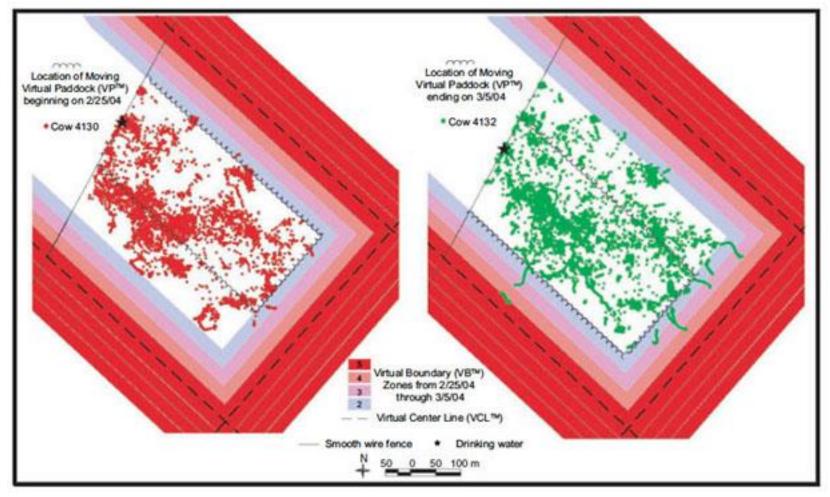


Poop-Powered Electric Feed Truck Debuts at Northern California Creamery



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Could AI help us manage complex ecosystems?

