

# Geographical Information Systems Pipeline Route Optimization (GISPRO)

*A qualitative approach to pipeline scoping*



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# Overview

- GIS Data overview
- GIPRO Routing and Costing Models
- Benchmarking GISPRO
- Scenario walk through
- Comparing GISPRO outputs
- LandPipe inputs/outputs

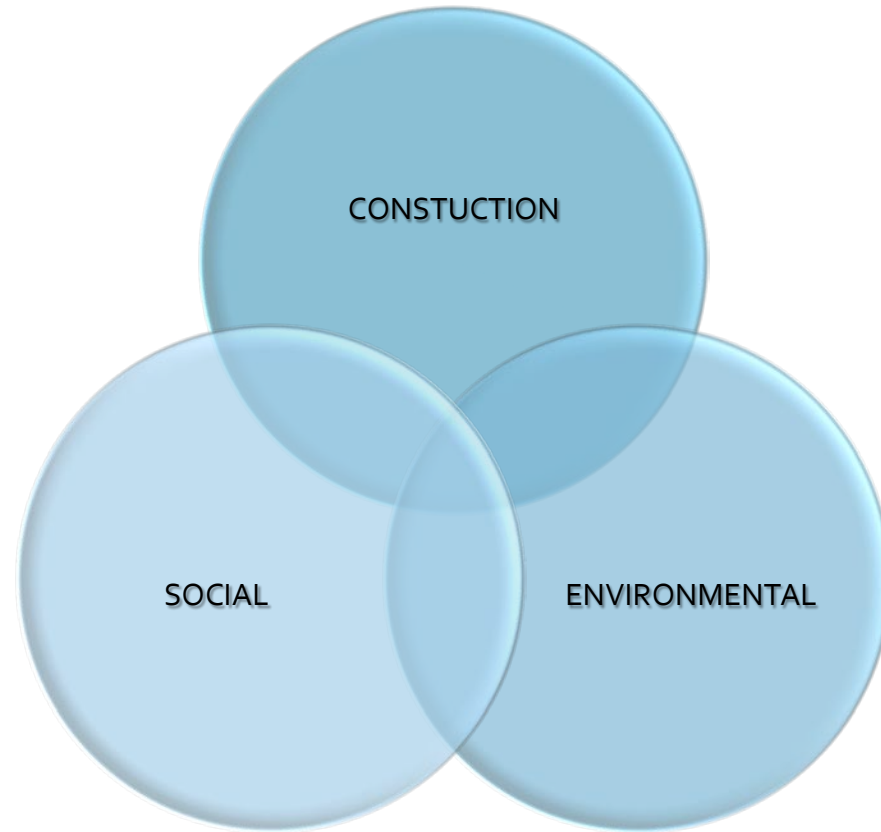
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# Balancing Costs



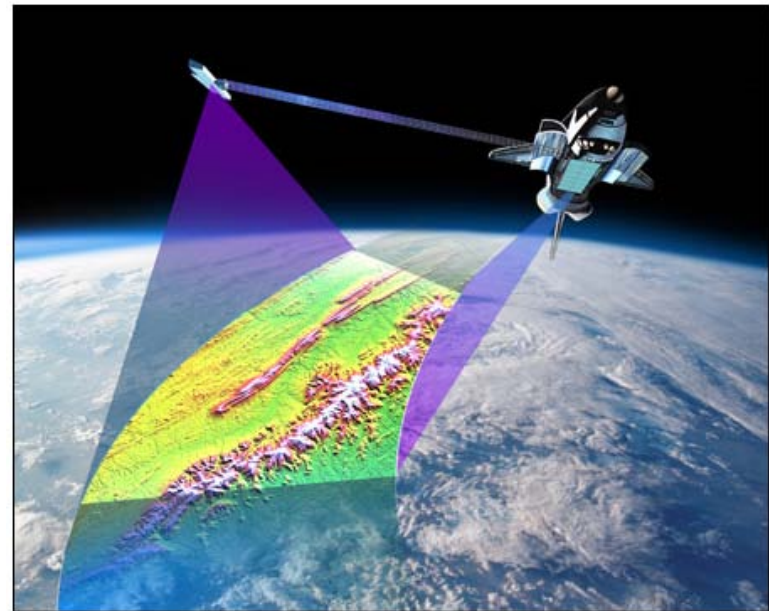
# Pipeline Routing Business Rules

- Avoid steep slopes
- Minimize crossings
- Avoid environmentally sensitive areas
- Maximize use of existing corridors



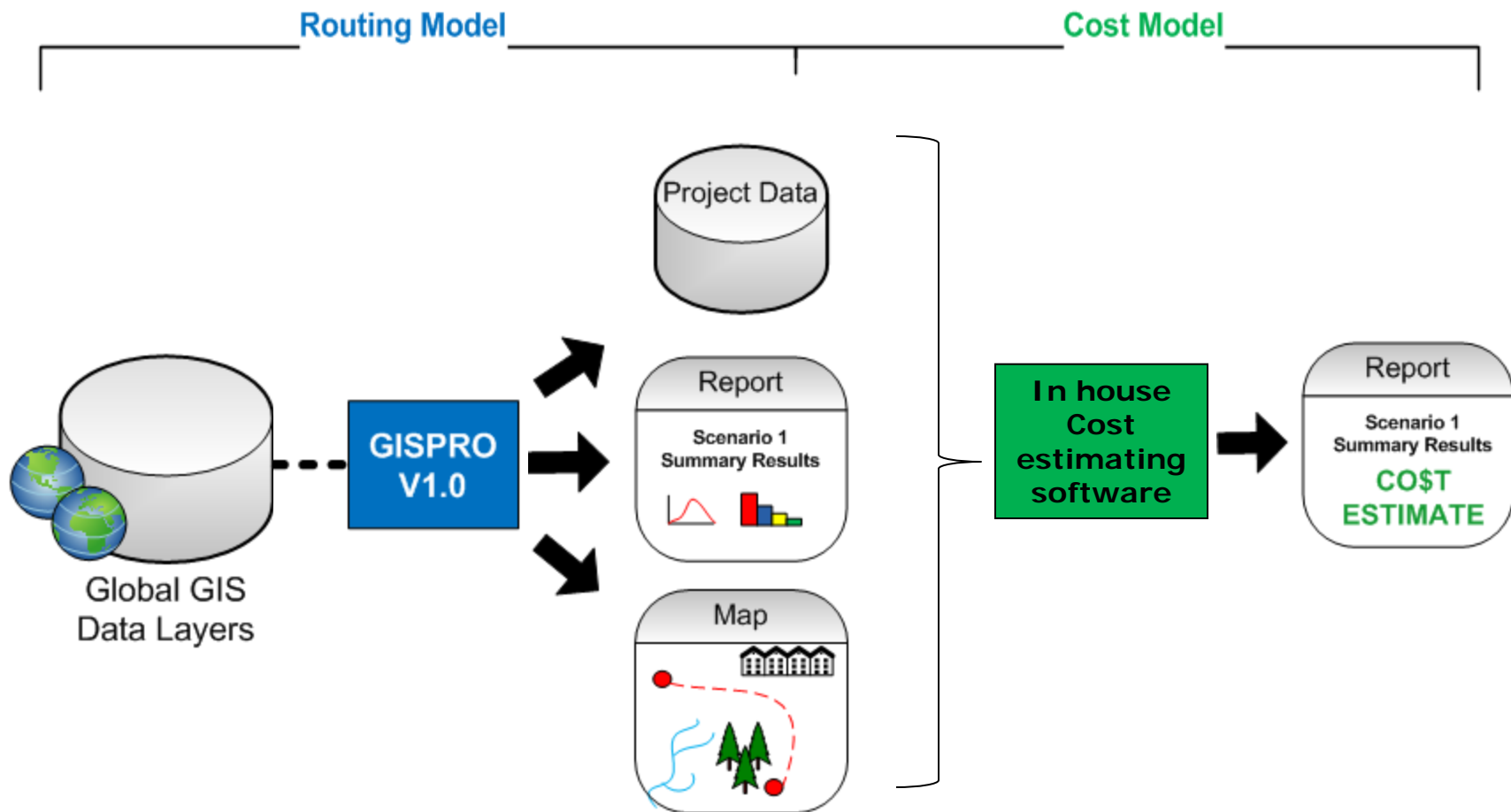
# GIS Data

- Digitized from existing maps
  - USGS Topo
- Survey or GPS
  - As-Built
  - TeleAtlas/Google Maps
- Remote Sensing
  - Spaceborne
    - SRTM
    - LandSat
  - Airborne
    - DOQQ
    - LiDAR



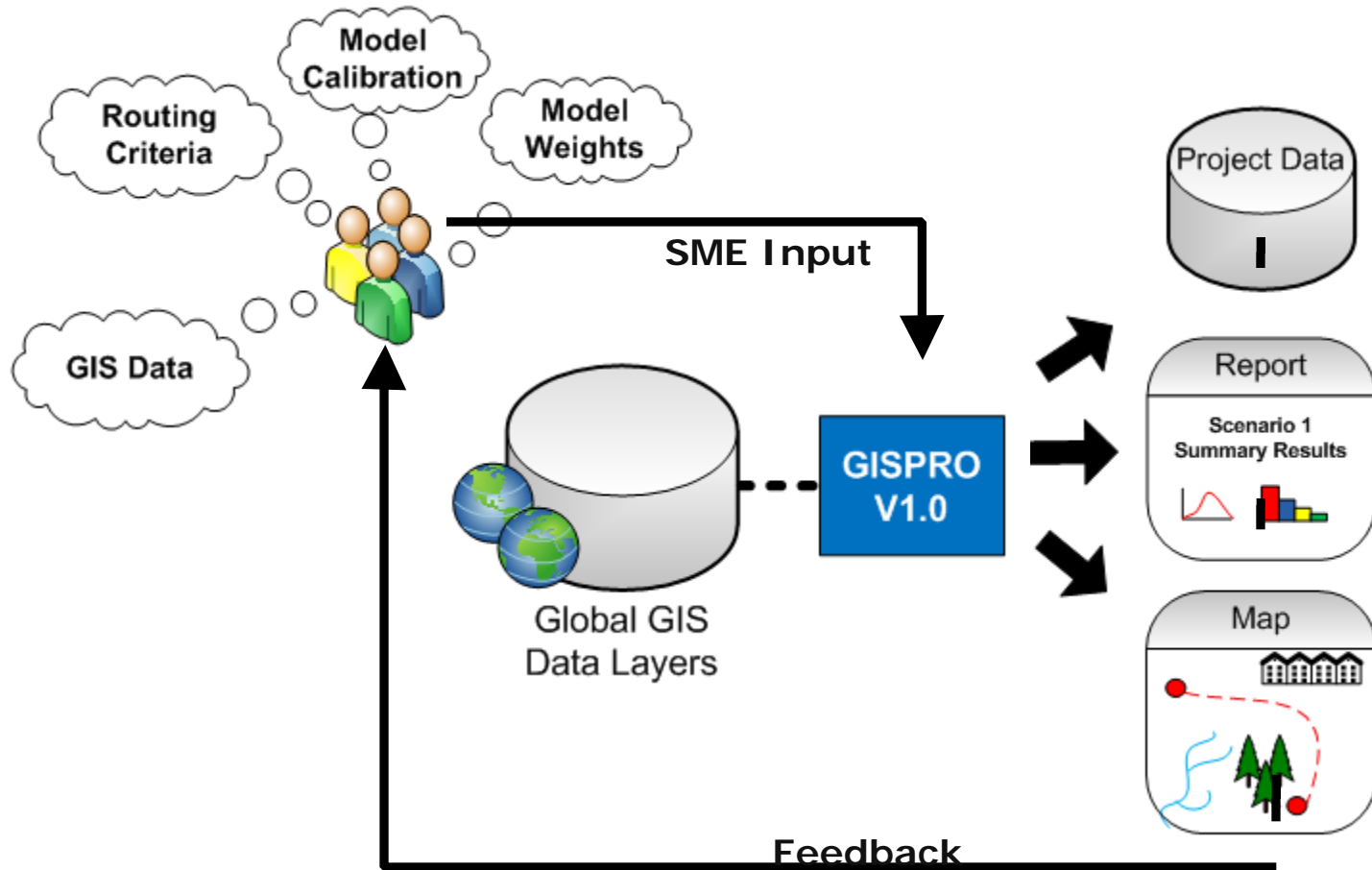
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# Routing & Cost Models

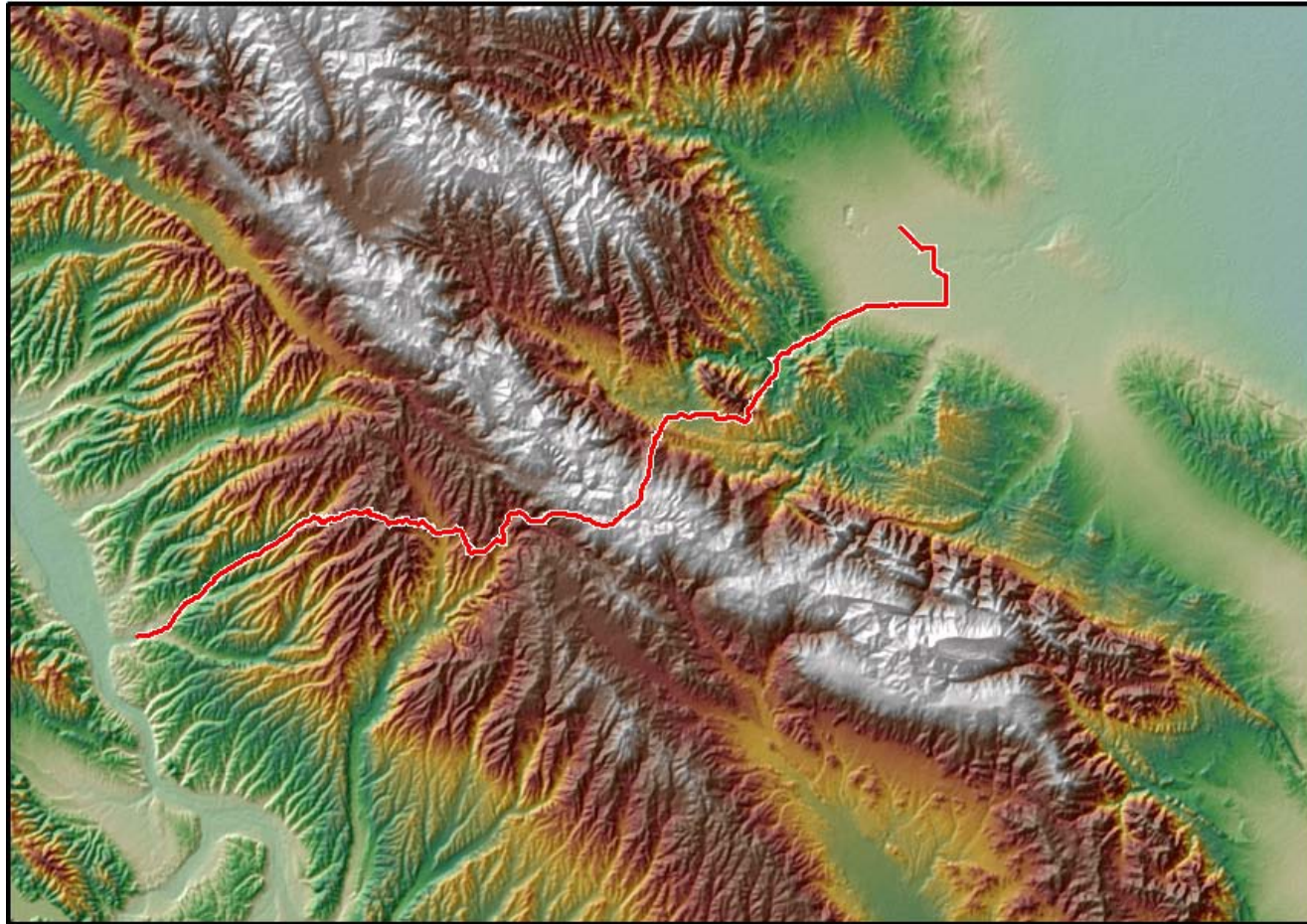




# Routing Model Benchmark



# Pilot Overview



Existing



# Defining a GISPRO Project

**Edit Project**

Project Geodatabase:

Working Directory:

Project Description:

Import logic from template file (optional):

**Project Waypoints**

Name	X	Y
▶ START	692397	3981809
END	759776	4001554
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**Project Extent**

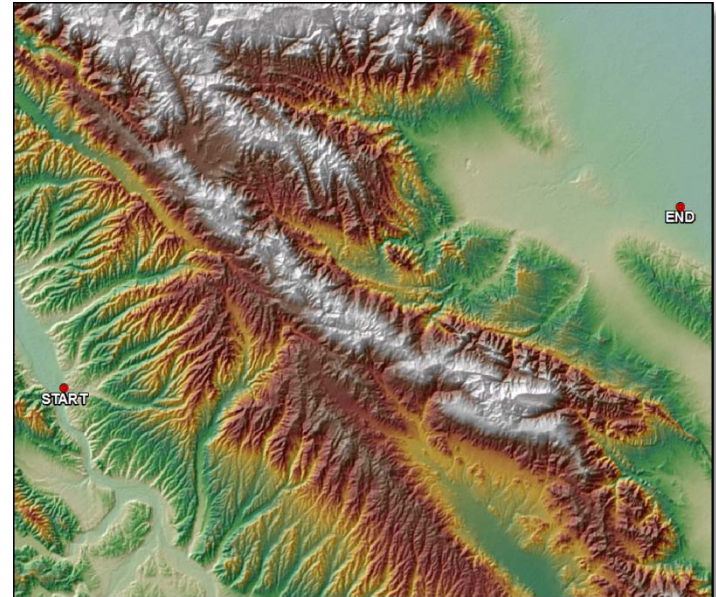
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**Analysis Properties**

Raster Cell Size:

Spatial Reference: WGS\_1984\_UTM\_Zone\_10N

Analysis Mask:



- Name
- Description
- Area of Interest
- Waypoints
- Coordinate Information
- Working Directory

# Defining a Scenario (Example Inputs)

## Benchmark

Scenario 1 - Benchmark				
Theme	Input	Cost	% Weight	% Influence
Environmental	Cities	9	0.1	0.58
	Tundra	1	0.05	
	Trees	3	0.08	
	Rivers	7	0.2	
	Swamps	5	0.05	
	Lakes	8	0.1	
	Engineering	Slope < 15%	1	
Slope 15-30%		2		
Slope 30-45%		6		
Slope 45-60%		7		
Slope 60-75%		8		
Slope >75%		Exclude		
Roads		5	0.12	
Totals			100%	100%

## Variant 2

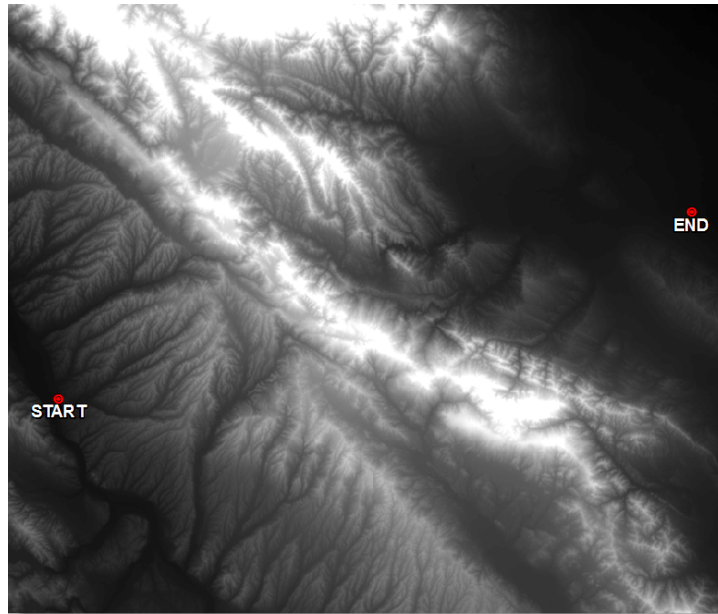
Scenario 3 - Engineering Influence				
Theme	Input	Cost	% Weight	% Influence
Environmental	Cities	9	0.04	0.30
	Tundra	1	0.06	
	Trees	3	0.01	
	Rivers	7	0.07	
	Swamps	5	0.05	
	Lakes	8	0.07	
	Engineering	Slope < 15%	1	
Slope 15-30%		2		
Slope 30-45%		6		
Slope 45-60%		7		
Slope 60-75%		8		
Slope >75%		Exclude		
Roads		5	0.25	
Totals			100%	100%

## Variant 1

Scenario 2 - Environmental Influence				
Theme	Input	Cost	% Weight	% Influence
Environmental	Cities	9	0.3	0.90
	Tundra	1	0.06	
	Trees	3	0.08	
	Rivers	7	0.2	
	Swamps	5	0.05	
	Lakes	8	0.21	
	Engineering	Slope < 15%	1	
Slope 15-30%		2		
Slope 30-45%		6		
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Slope 60-75%		8		
Slope >75%		Exclude		
Roads		5	0.03	
Totals			100%	100%

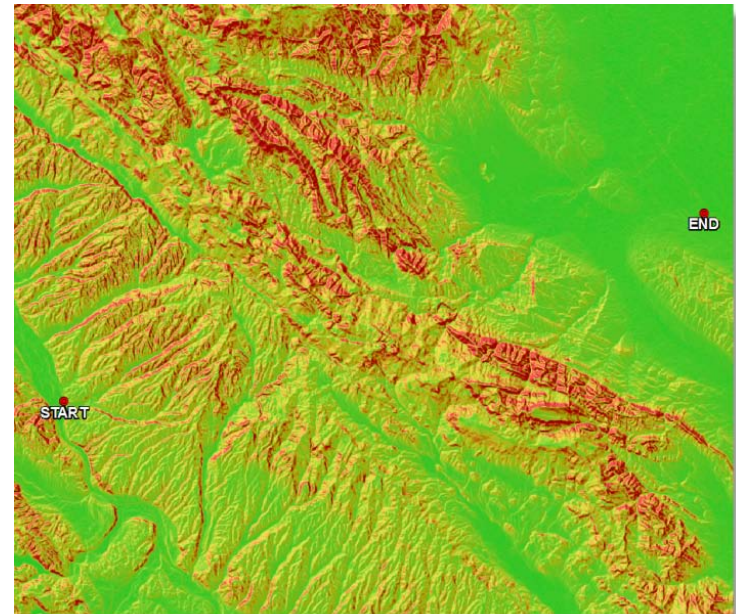
# Least Slope Analysis

DEM



Elevation Range:  
250' – 5,000'

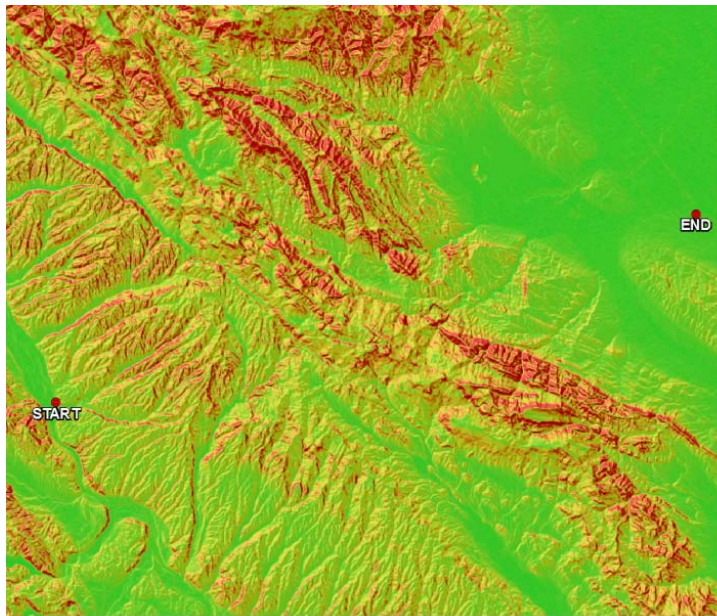
Terrain Slope



Slope Range:  
0 – 90 deg

# Least Slope Analysis (cont.)

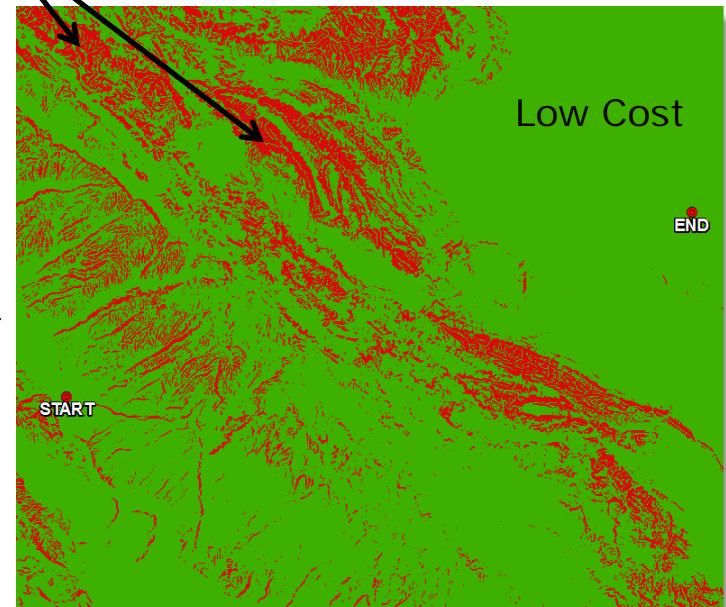
Terrain Slope



Slope Range:  
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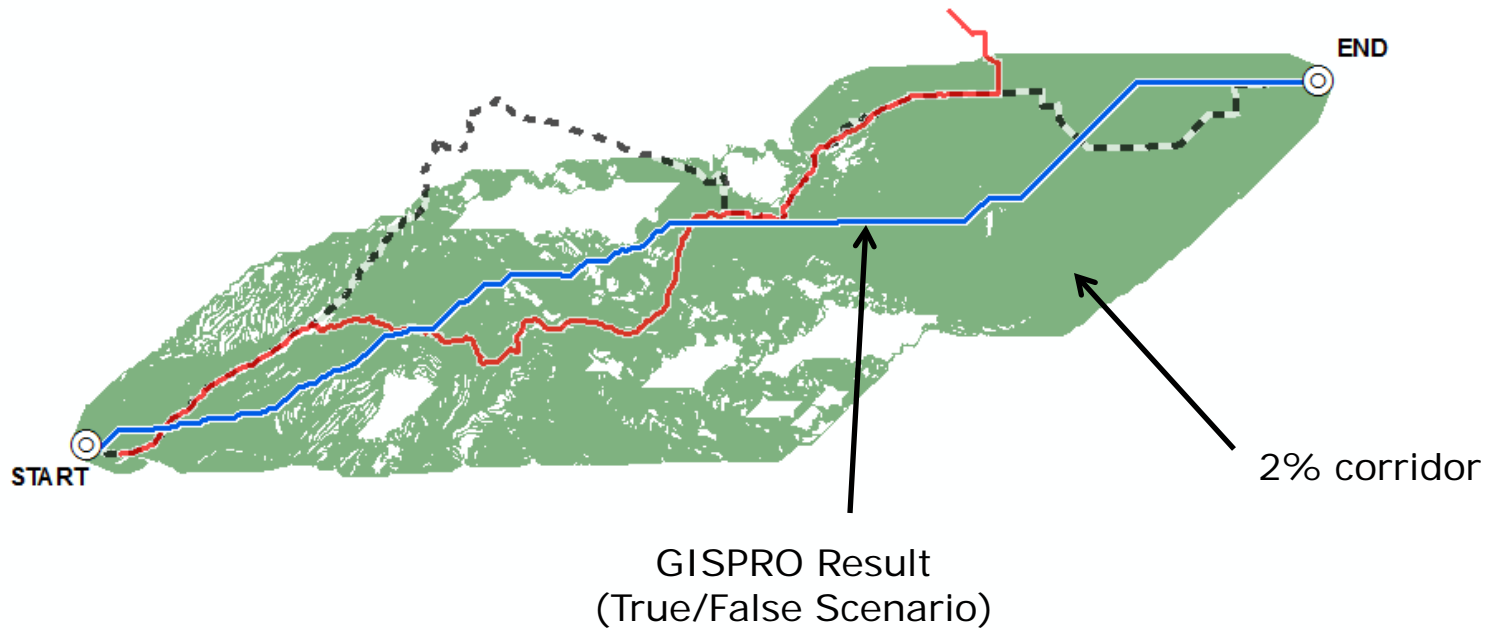
High Cost

Cost Surface



Slope Range Costs:  
0 to 25 deg = 1  
25 to 90 = 9

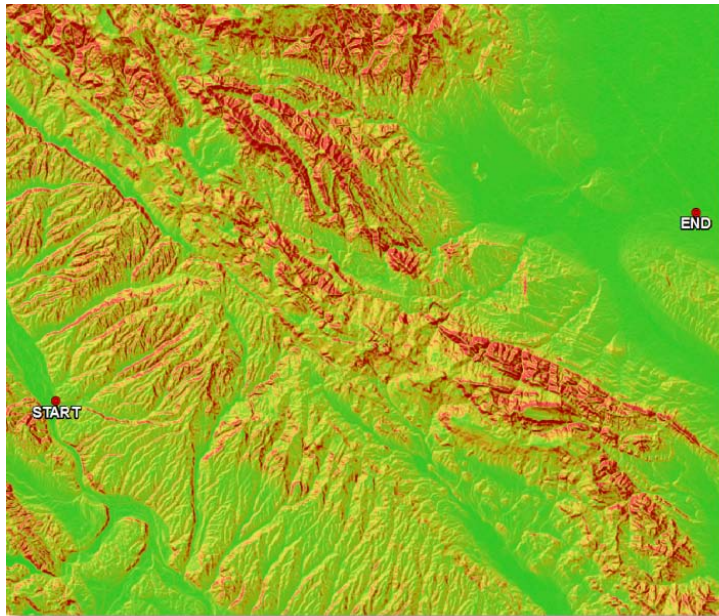
# Least Slope Output





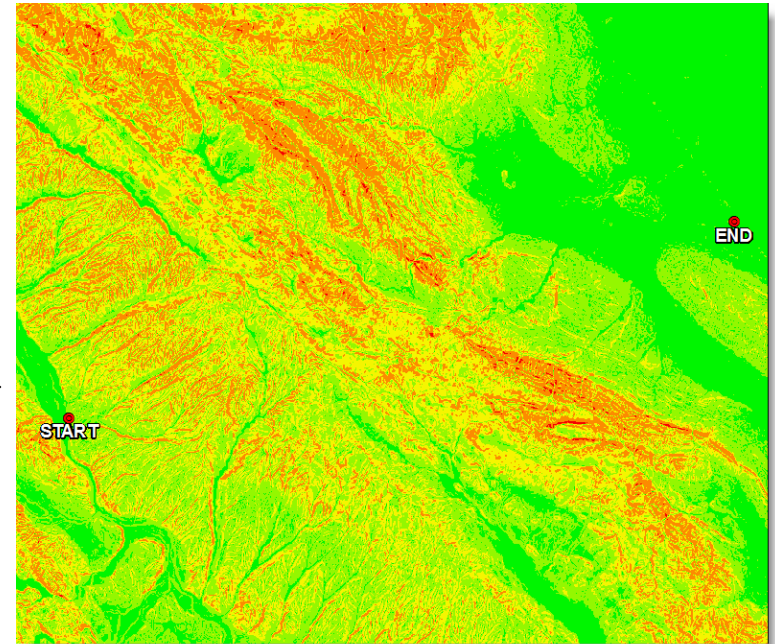
# Least Slope Analysis Variant

Terrain Slope



Slope Range:  
0 – 90 deg

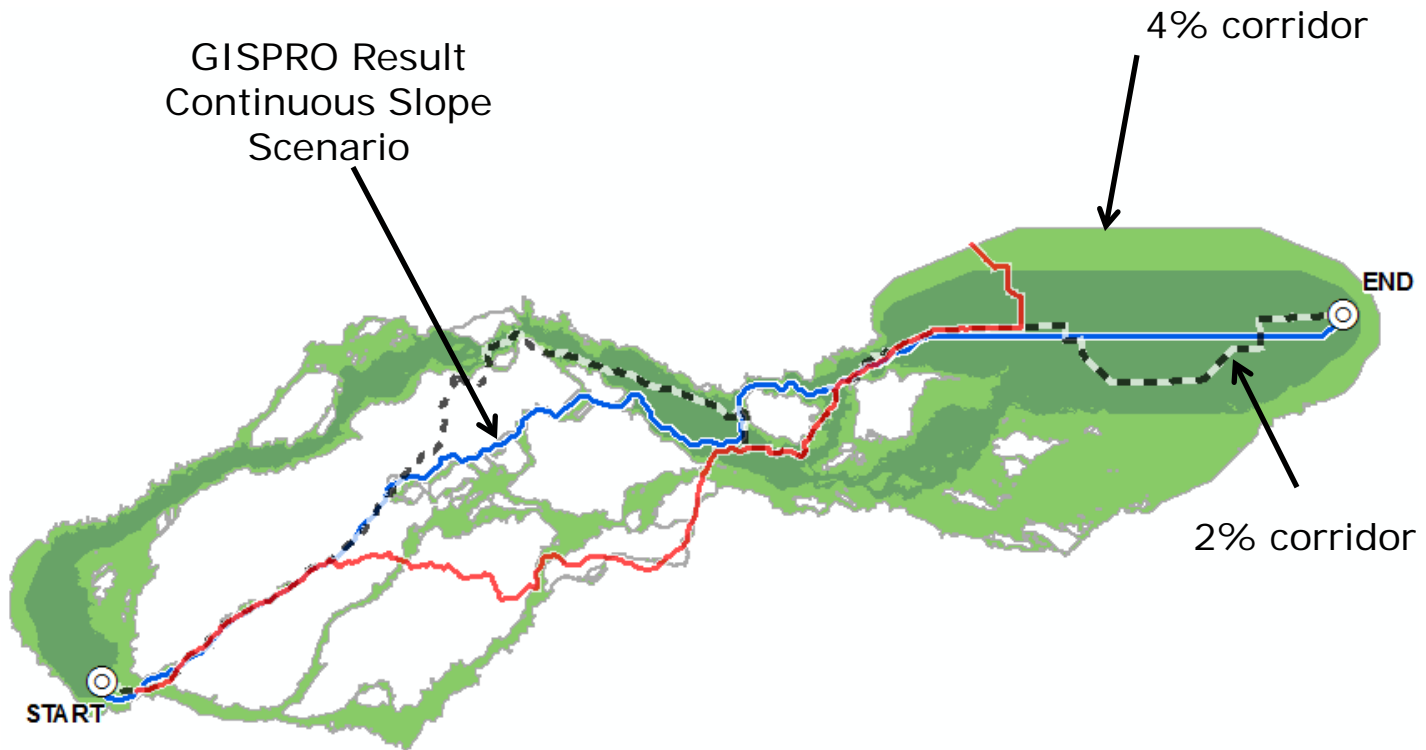
Revised Cost Surface



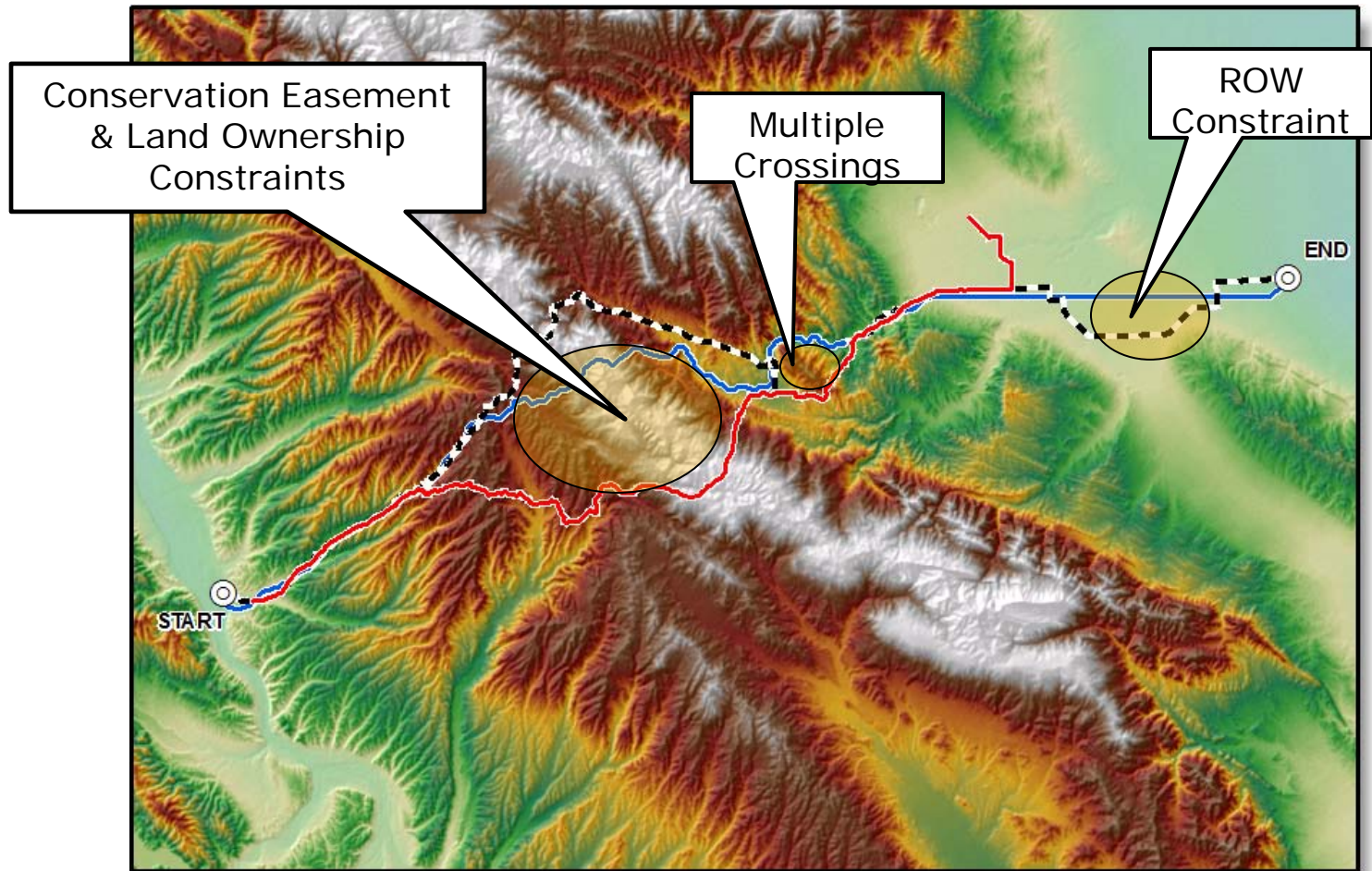
Slope Range Costs:

- 00 to 8 = 1 (green)
- 08 to 15 = 2
- 15 to 20 = 3
- 20 to 30 = 6
- 30 to 45 = 8
- 45 to 90 = 9 (red)

# Variant Result



# Scenario Comparison

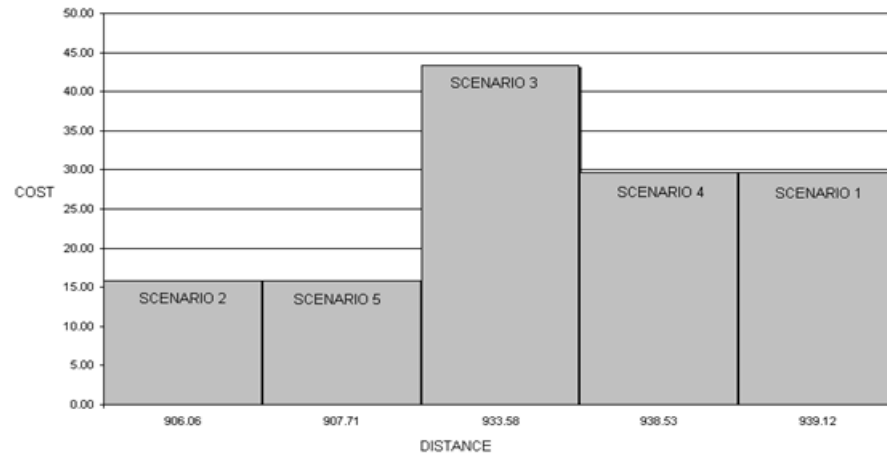


# Meeting other Business Rules

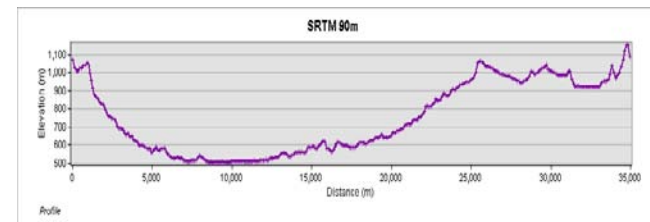
- Avoid Sensitive Areas
- Maximize Access
- Following Existing Corridors
- Avoid Crossings
- Proximity Gradients
- Manual Routes
- Tie-ins

# GISPRO Reports (Example Outputs)

## Charts



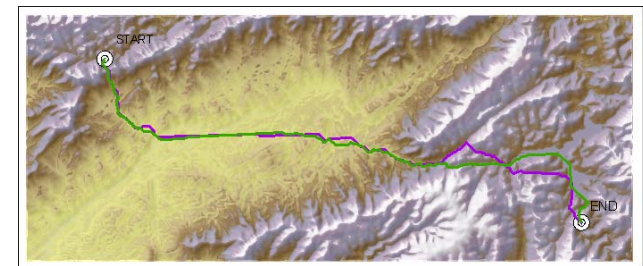
## Profiles



## Executive Summary & Detailed Report

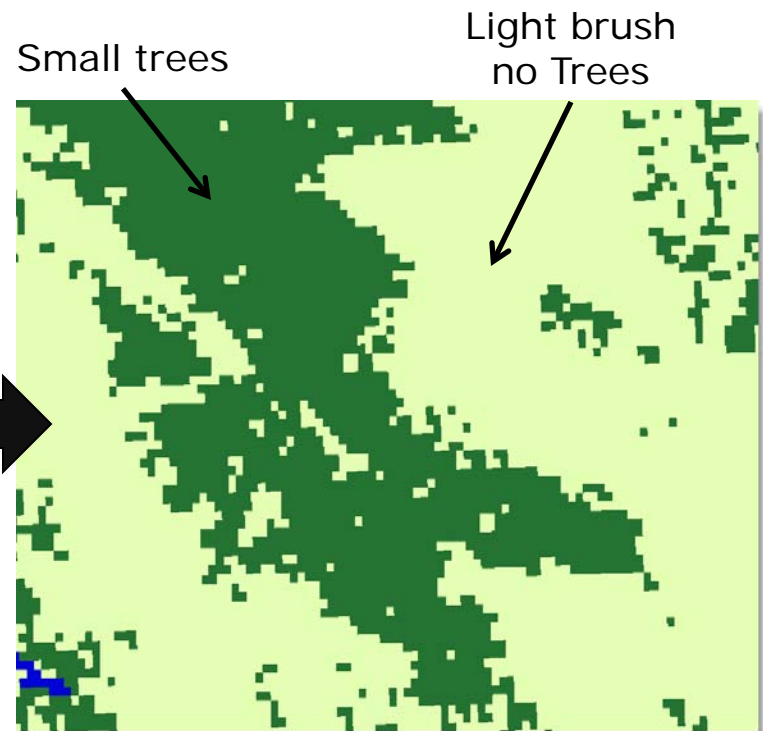
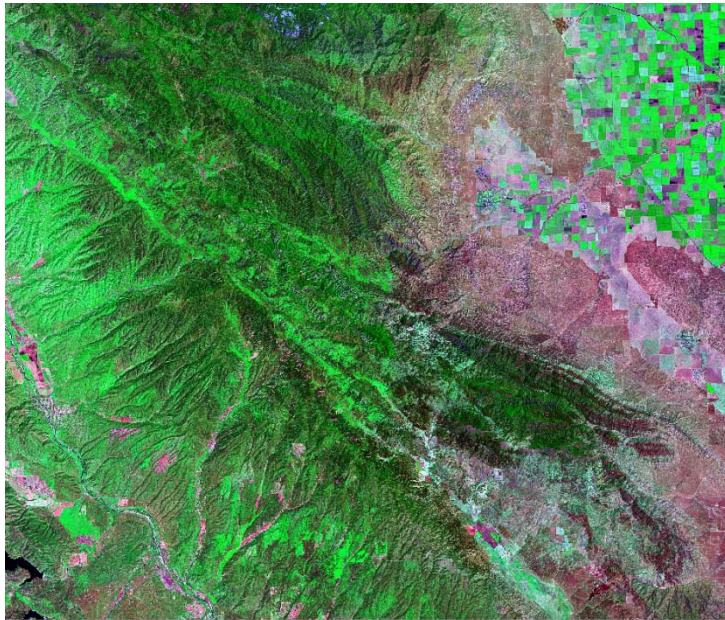
Scenarios	Cost Totals	Length (miles)
Scenario 1 - EQUAL WTS	29.69	939.12
Scenario 2 - Higher Environmental Weights	15.81	906.06
Scenario 3 - Higher Engineering Weights	43.29	933.58
Scenario 4 - Random Weights	29.69	938.53
Scenario 5 - Random Cost & Weights	15.80	907.71

## Maps



# Surface Conditions (Construction Cost)

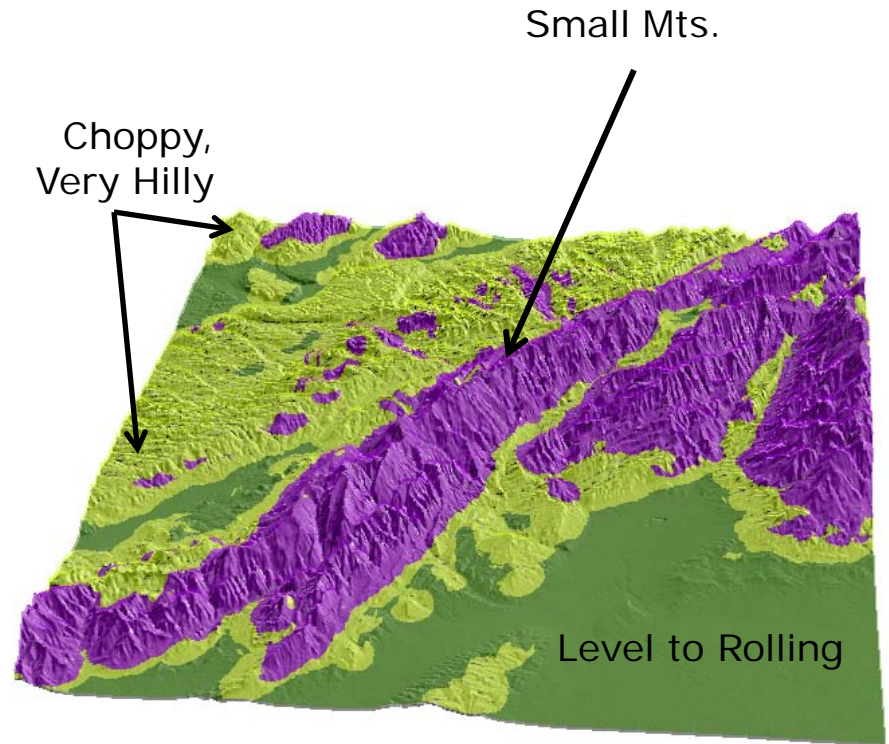
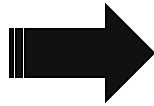
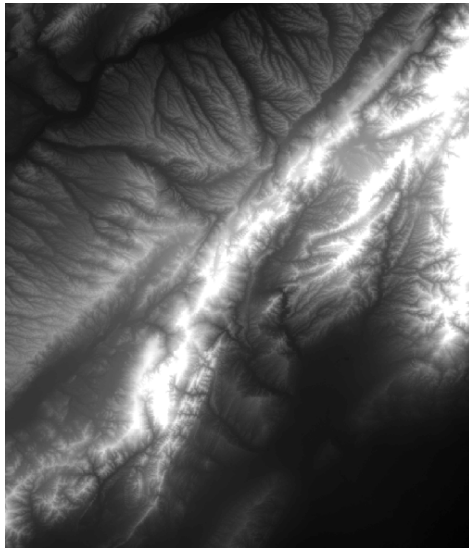
## Remote Sensing Data



## GISPRO Output & LandPipe Terrain Input

# Defining Terrain (Construction Cost)

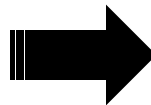
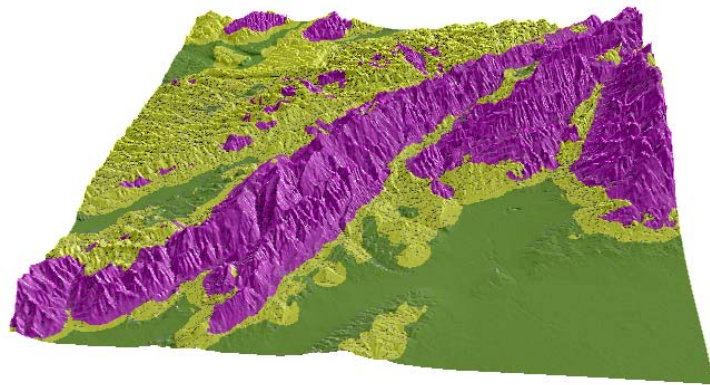
## Digital Elevation Model



## GISPRO Output & LandPipe Terrain Input

# Rock Formation (Construction Cost)

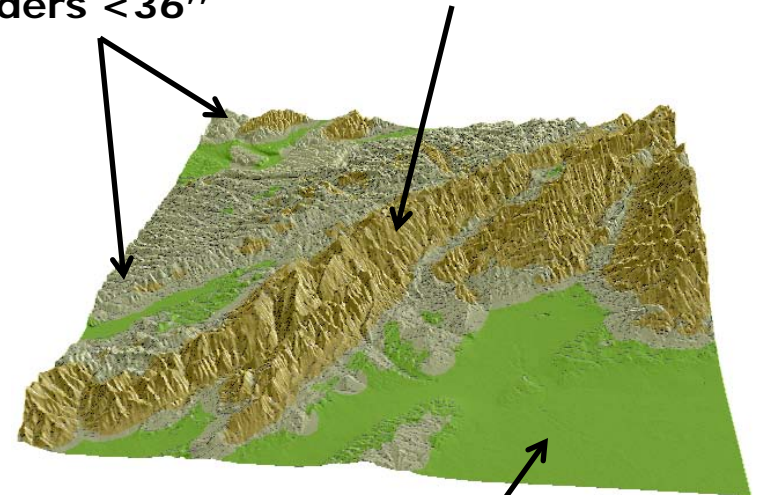
## Terrain Formation



## Rippability Inference

**Fragmented Rock  
or Boulders < 36"**

**Blasting or Drilling**

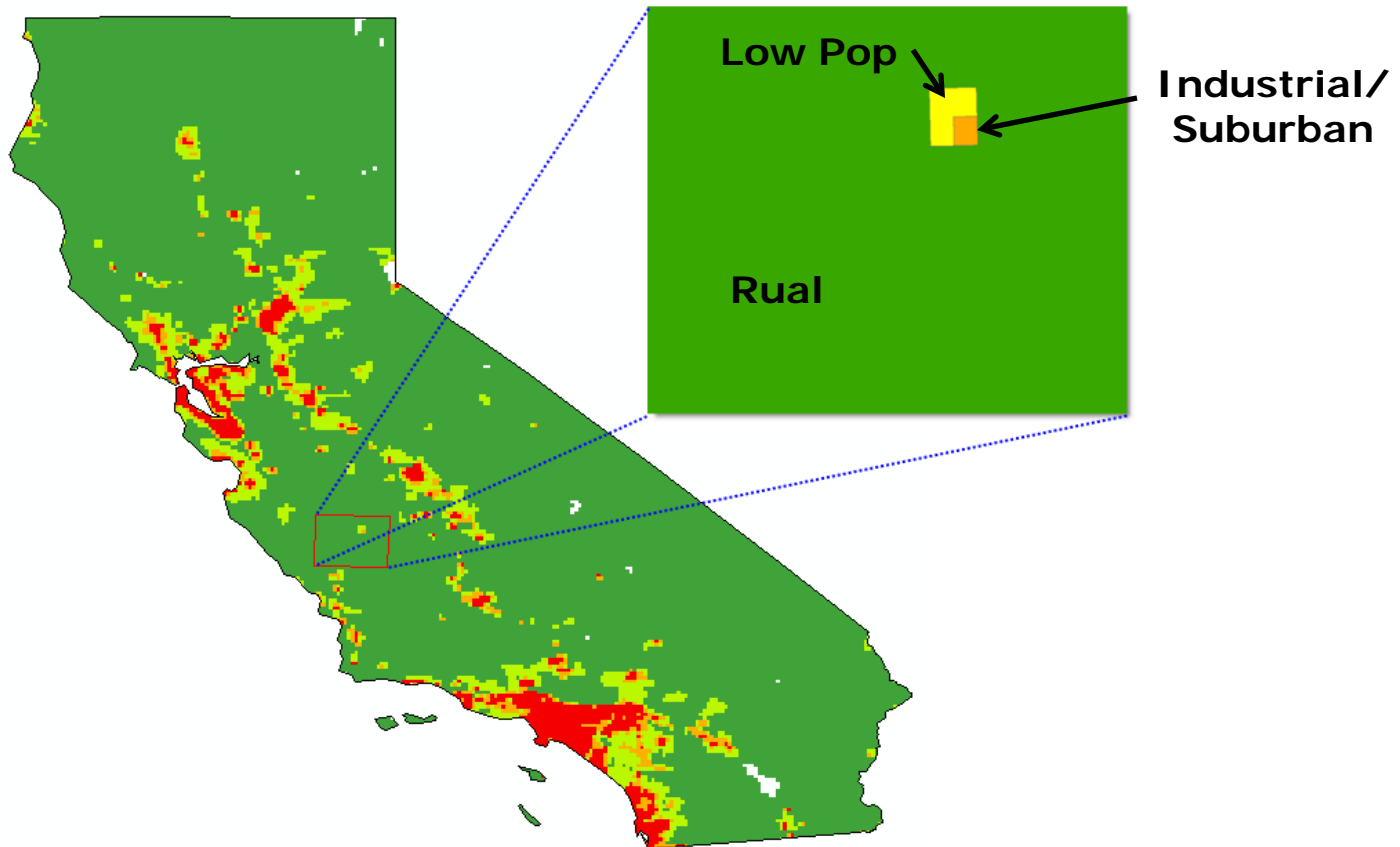


**No rock to occasional  
< 12" boulders**

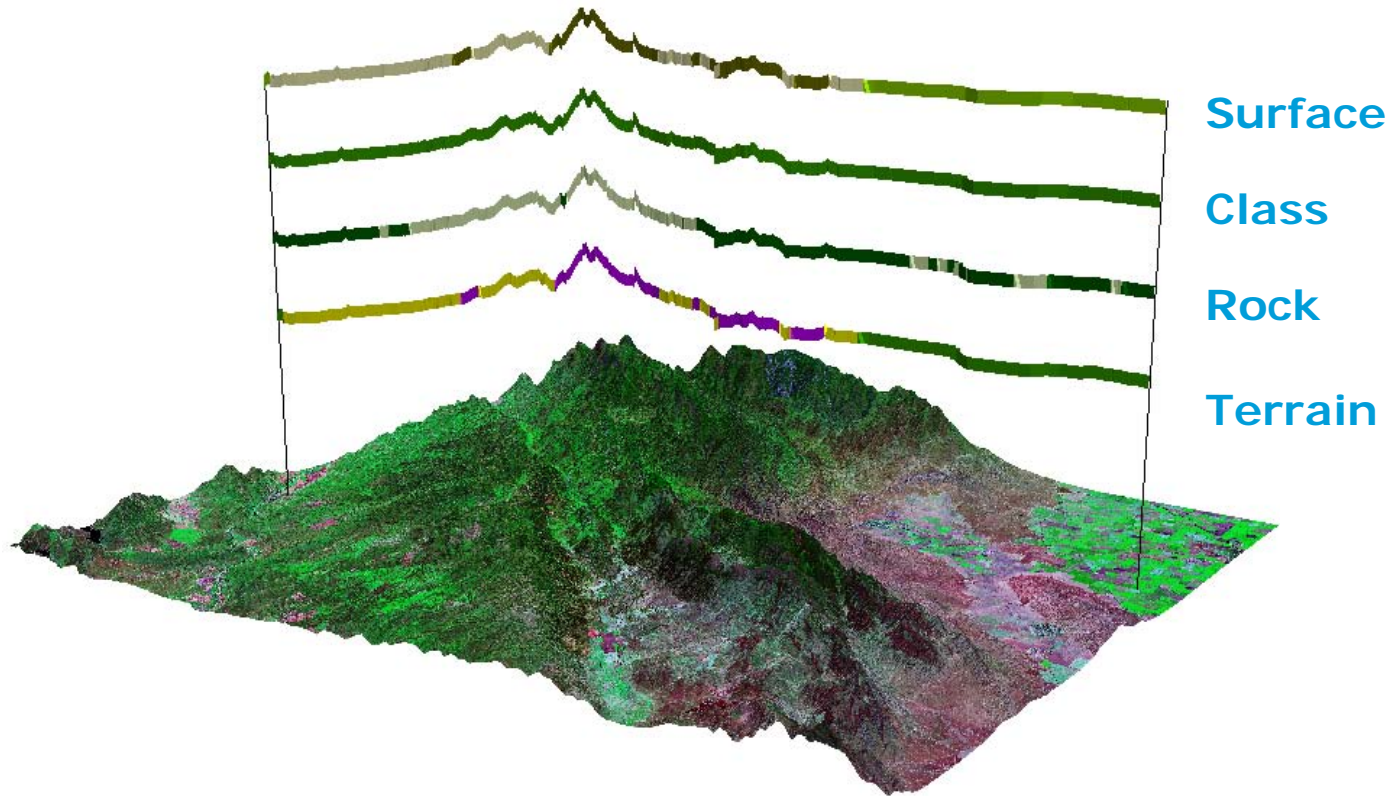


# Classification (Material Cost)

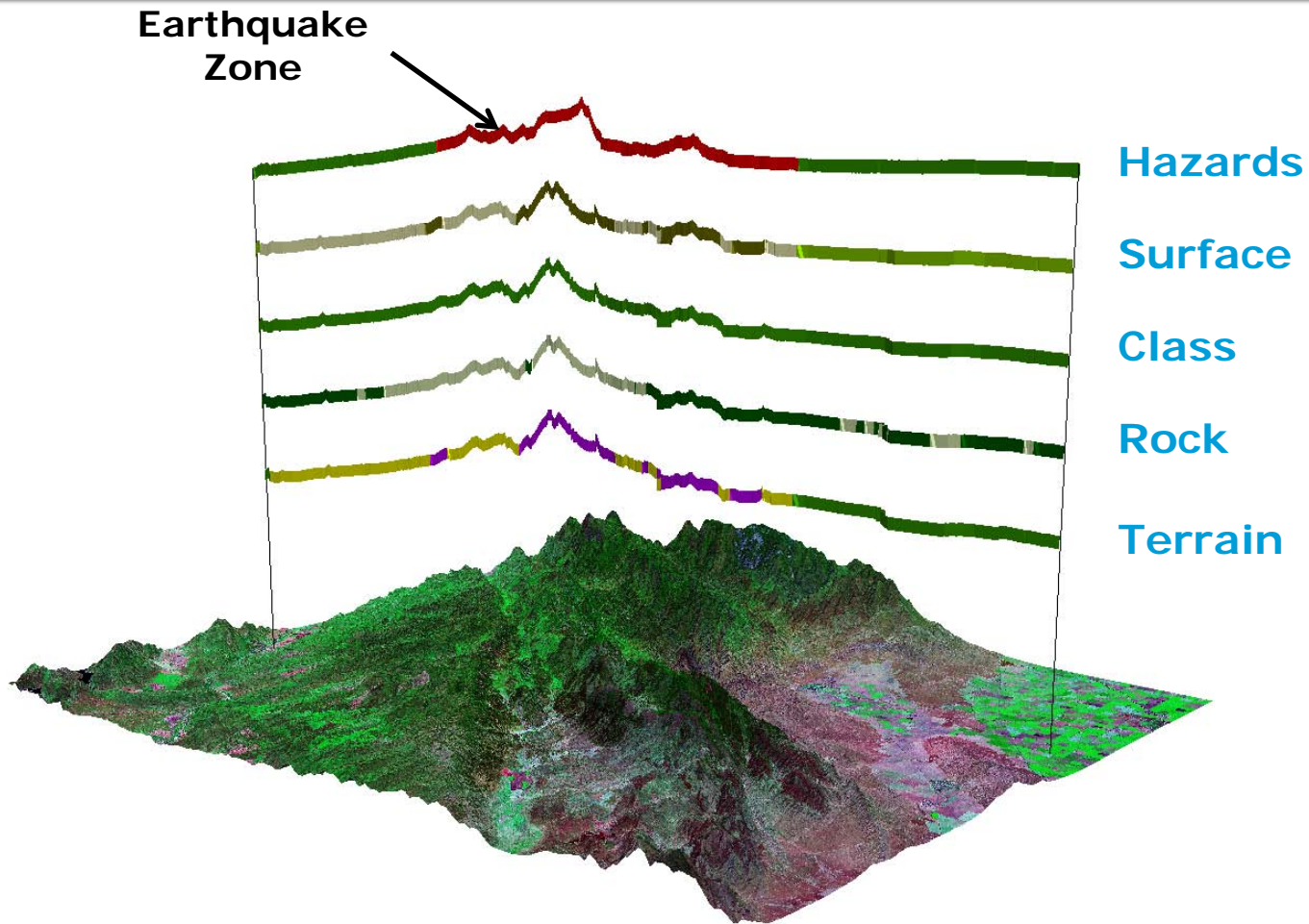
## Population Density Estimates



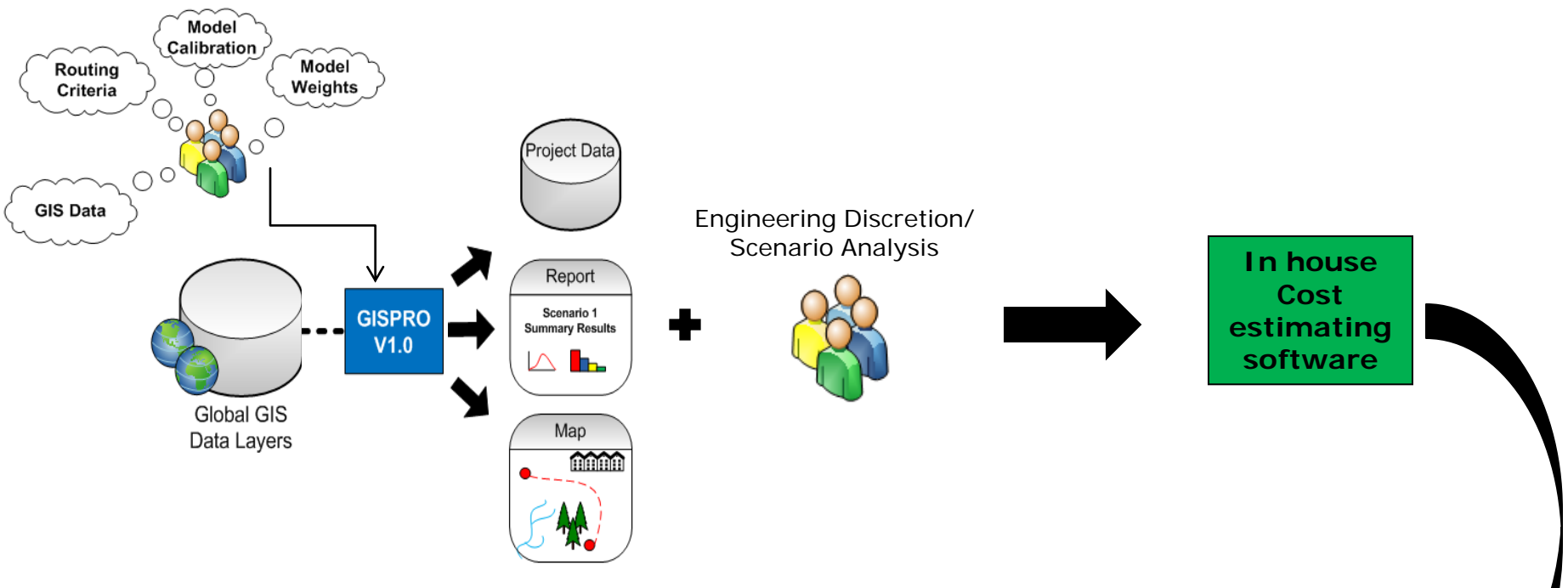
# Dynamic Segmentation



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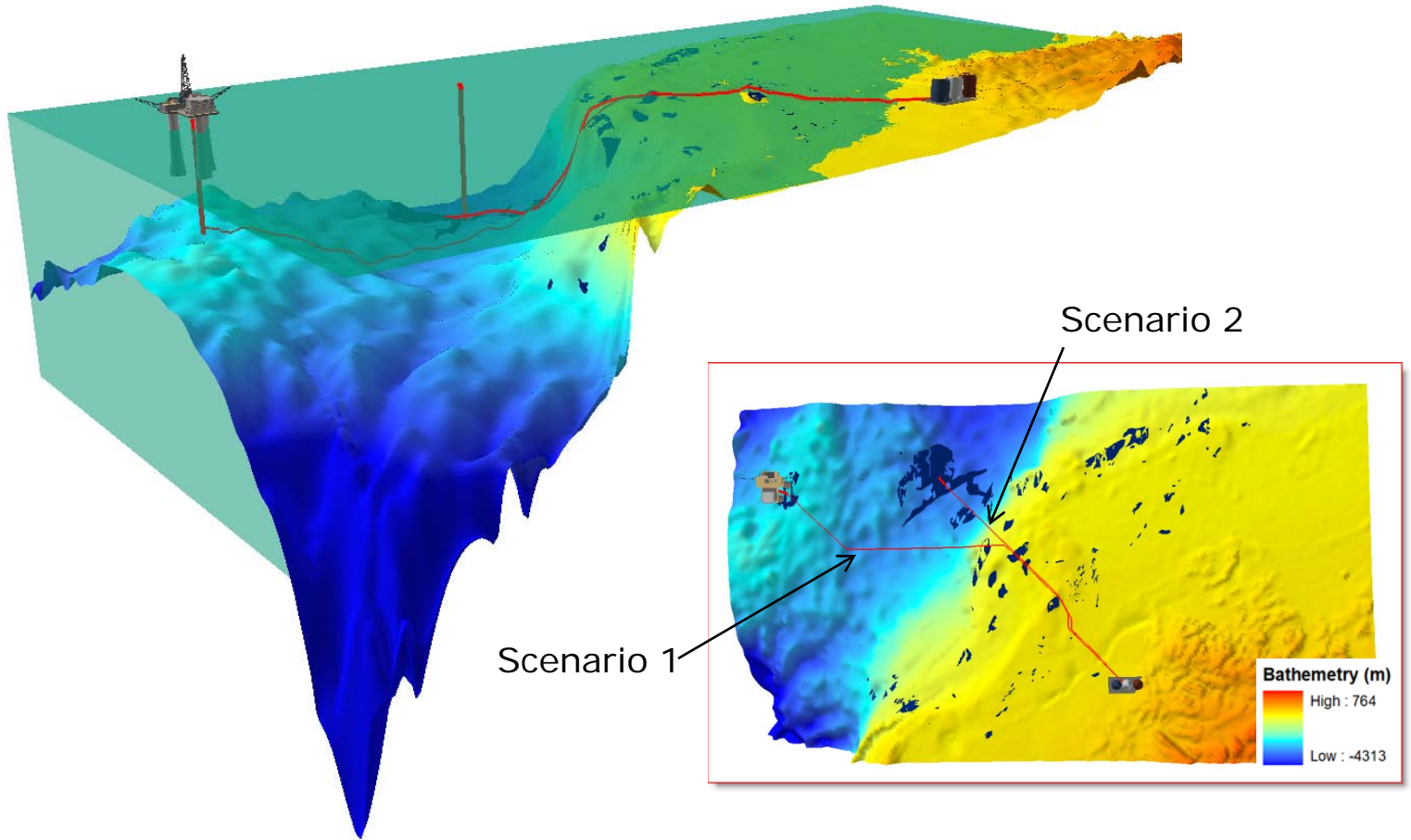
# Qualitative to Quantitative Workflow



**FINAL OUTPUT  
+/- 50% Cost  
Estimate**

Scenario	Length (miles)	Overall Productivity Factor	Unit Cost	Construction Cost	Material Cost
PROPOSED	58	0.59	\$156,052	\$9,051,016	\$6,840,686
GISPRO	55	0.61	\$151,839	\$8,351,135	\$6,486,857
Delta	-3	-0.02	-\$4,213	-\$699,881	-\$353,829

# Future Applications (Mock Scenarios)



# QUESTIONS?

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