

Webinar series: Innovative tools for advancing low emission and climate resilient energy planning in Asia

Session 2: Assessing renewable energy potential using the Geospatial Toolkit: Applications in Vietnam's Thanh Hoa Province April 21, 2016

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Agenda

- Welcome and introductory remarks
- Overview of the Asia LEDS Partnership and LEDS GP Energy Working Group
 - Sandra Khananusit, Asia LEDS Partnership
 - Philip Killeen, Energy Working Group
- Presentations Panelists:
 - Donna Heimiller, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
 - Jon Duckworth, National Renewable Energy Laboratory
 - Khanh Nguyen, USAID Low Emission Asian Development Program
 Country Coordinator
- Questions and answers
- Short Survey





The Asia LEDS Partnership and LEDS GP Energy Working Group

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LEDS Global Partnership

An international initiative aiming to harness the collective knowledge and resources of governments, donors, international organizations, and practitioners in scaling up and strengthening implementation of climate resilient low emission development around the world.

Catalyzes action and collaboration across more than 160 countries, plus international donor and technical organizations.

Operates through "regional platforms" (delivery) and "technical working groups" (expertise).





This webinar series

Innovative tools for advancing low emission and climate resilient energy planning in Asia

- March: SEI's LEAP: Applications in Vietnam and Indonesia
- April: NREL's Geo-spatial Toolkit: Application in Vietnam
- May: IUCN's Gender Equality for Climate Change Opportunities Methodology: Application in Sri Lanka

A collaboration between the Asia LEDS Partnership and LEDS Energy Working Group





ALP 2016 priorities

- Support capacity building for low emission energy planning and implementation
- Link the finance and LEDS communities to strengthen know-how of policymakers on investment mobilization
- Facilitate regional learning through peer exchange and new knowledge product development and dissemination





ALP 2016 activities: Highlights

Webinars and training:

- Innovative tools for advancing low emission and climate resilient energy planning
- Online training program on low emission energy planning and implementation (with planned in-person training at events)

Events:

- Regional workshop on "Mechanisms that catalyze finance for gridconnected clean energy in Asia" (June in Hanoi)
- Asia LEDS Forum 2016 on "Mobilizing finance for implementing INDCs" (June in Hanoi)

Case studies, blogs, articles, and more!





Energy Working Group (EWG)

The LEDS EWG promotes low emission and climate resilient development in the energy sector through:

- Learning, information exchange, communication of best practices
- Advisory services & technical assistance
- Enhanced opportunities for coordination and collaboration





EWG 2016 activities: Highlights

Webinars:

- Innovative tools for advancing low emission and climate resilient energy planning
- Low emission climate resilient energy strategies

Energy training:

- Asia LEDS Partnership regional workshop
- Africa LEDS Partnership regional workshop

LEDS sustainable energy & development world atlas

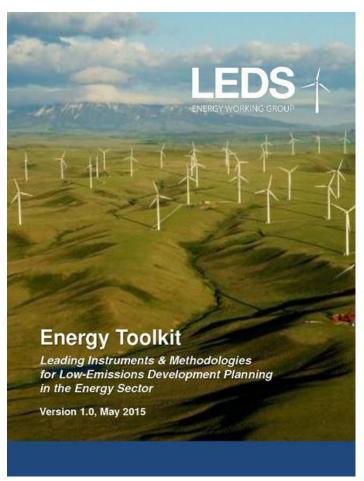
Energy LEDS community of practice





LEDS Energy Toolkit

- Reference guide for wellestablished LEDS planning tools & methodologies
- Focus on tools available at low or no cost
- 2015 version: 18 tools
- Will be updated and extended







Introduction to the Geospatial Toolkit

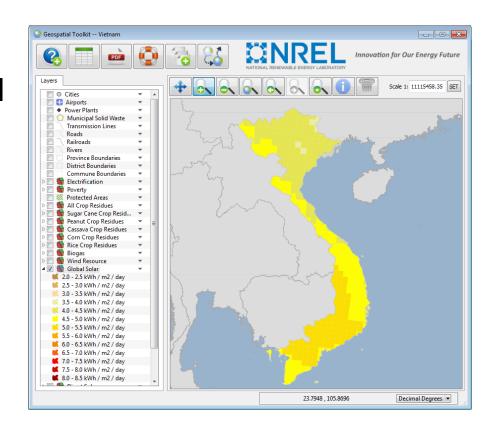
Donna Heimiller
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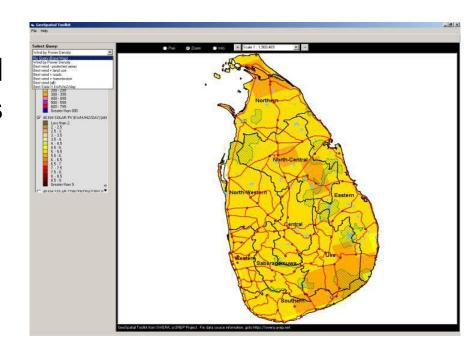
What is a Geospatial Toolkit?

- Stand-alone computer application
- Data viewer & analysis tool
- Combines renewable resource information with other data
- Explores data visually and with targeted geospatial analysis functionality
- Each Geospatial Toolkit is country- or region-specific



Geospatial Toolkit background

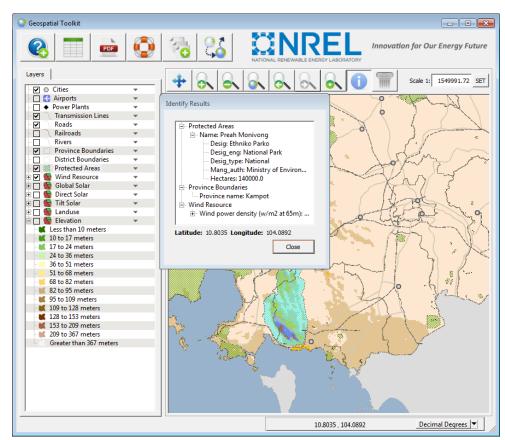
- Originally created to facilitate interaction with regionally mapped wind and solar resource assessments
- Evolved to include more technologies, queries, and data layers
- Re-designed using open source components to enable free/wider distribution



2005 – Sri Lanka UNEP Solar and Wind Energy Resource Assessment (SWERA) Project

Geospatial Toolkit functionality

- High-level visual exploration through pre-defined country data packages
- Targeted/guided geospatial analysis to visualize potential development issues and quantify energy potential
- Interact with renewable energy tools such as HOMER
- Platform is adaptable functionality depends on data availability
- Users can add other data layers for visualization



Combining resource & other data

- For sites, can answer:
- How far is resource from load centers, transmission lines, and roads?
- Is site a protected area? Can we build on it? What is the land currently used for? Is site too steep to build on?
- For countries, can answer:
- How much land area has good-quality resource, close to infrastructure, and in suitable development areas?

Good answers depend on good data!

Data in the Geospatial Toolkit

Renewable resource data

- Gridded solar and wind resource data
- Biomass, geothermal, hydro, and conventional resources can also be added

Base data

- Elevation and slope
- Land use/land cover
- Protected areas
- Political boundaries
- Cities/towns
- Rivers and lakes

Infrastructure data

- Transmission lines
- Roads and railroads
- Power plants

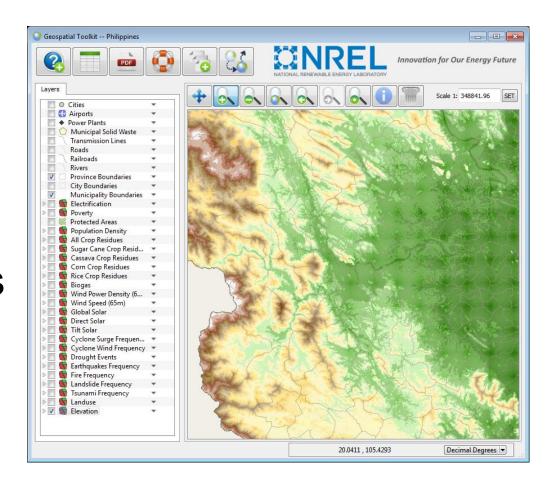
Other data of interest (examples)

- Meteorological stations
- Rural development priorities (schools, clinics, etc)

For many layers, global data sources may be used, but those sources may be dated or lack detail

Geospatial Toolkit – Demonstration

- Displaying data
- Tool functions
- Analysis options



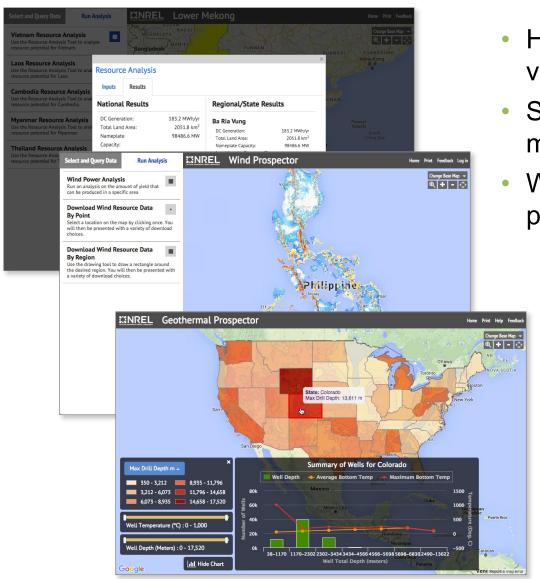
Enterprise Geospatial Toolkit

Jon Duckworth
National Renewable Energy Laboratory



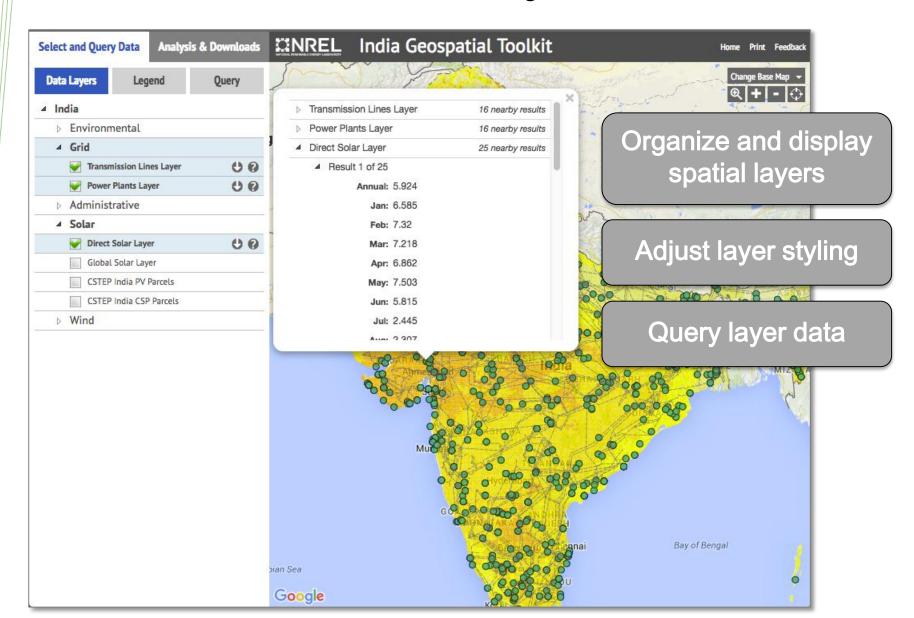


OpenCarto web GIS framework

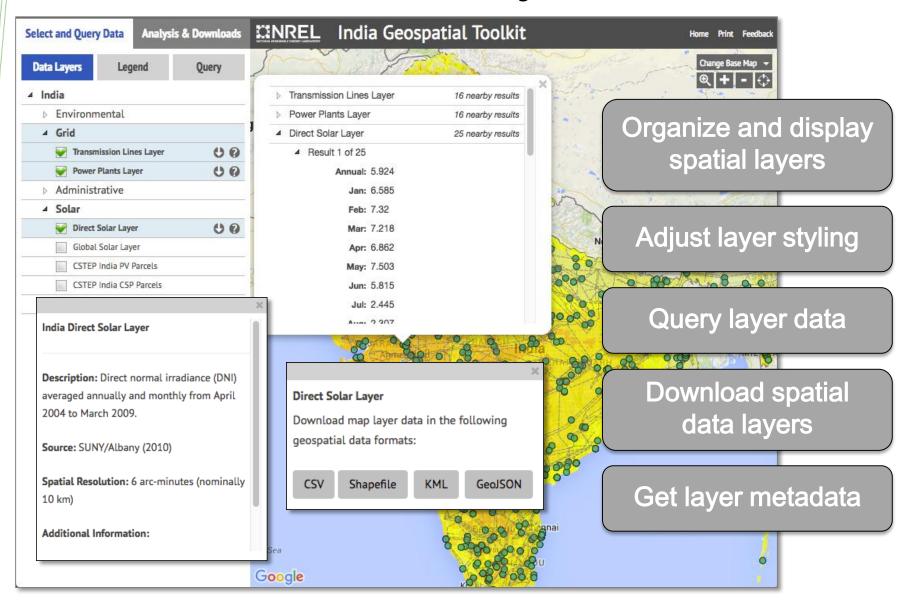


- Highly customizable and visually compelling interface
- Sophisticated analysis on massive datasets
- Wider range of tools than proprietary software
 - Share data and analysis with wide audience
 - Security and authentication
 - Multiple applications leveraging same body of work

Core GIS functionality



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Renewable Energy Pre-screening Report



Colorado Test Site (Lat: 38.685510, Lon: -103.974609) Thu Apr 07 2016

Introduction

This renewable energy (RE) pre-screening assessment tool (http://maps.nrel.gov/femp) was funded by and conducted on behalf of the U.S. Department of Energy's (DOE's) Federal Energy Management Program (FEMP) in support of U.S. Federal agencies' use of renewable energy technologies in accordance with the Energy Policy Act of 2005 (EPAct 2005), Executive Order (EO) 13423 and the Energy Independence and Security Act of 2007 (EISA 2007).

The objective of this analysis is to provide a high-level assessment of the expected economic available renewable energy technologies. These results provide a basis for determining whether feasibility of any technology is warranted.

Pre-screening Inputs and Results

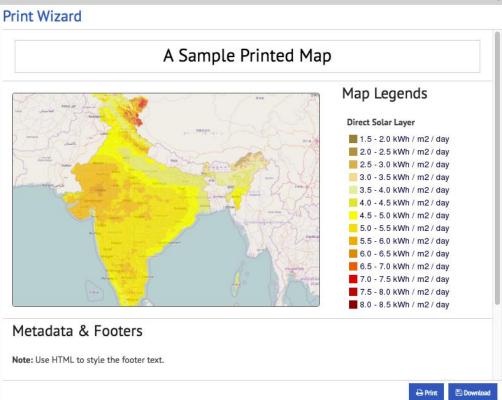
A summary of the technology calculation inputs are presented in Table 2. Default values are values are in bold. Default values are drawn from geospatial databases (renewable resource values are in bold. and from values reported by FEMP in the "Distributed Generation Renewable Energy (http://www.nrel.gov/analysis/tech_lcoe_re_cost_est.html).

Table 1. Input Performance and Cost Functions

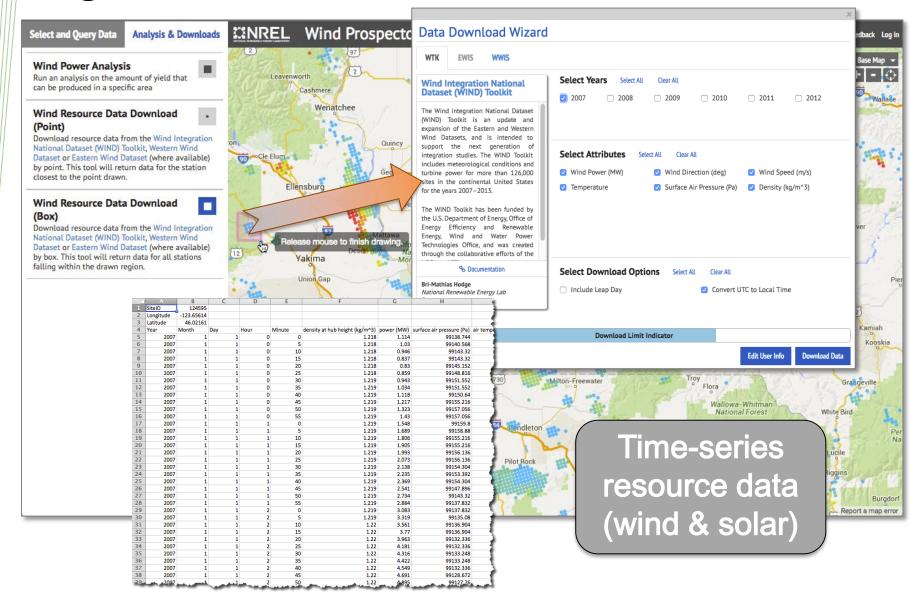
PV Inputs

Downloadable map & legend images

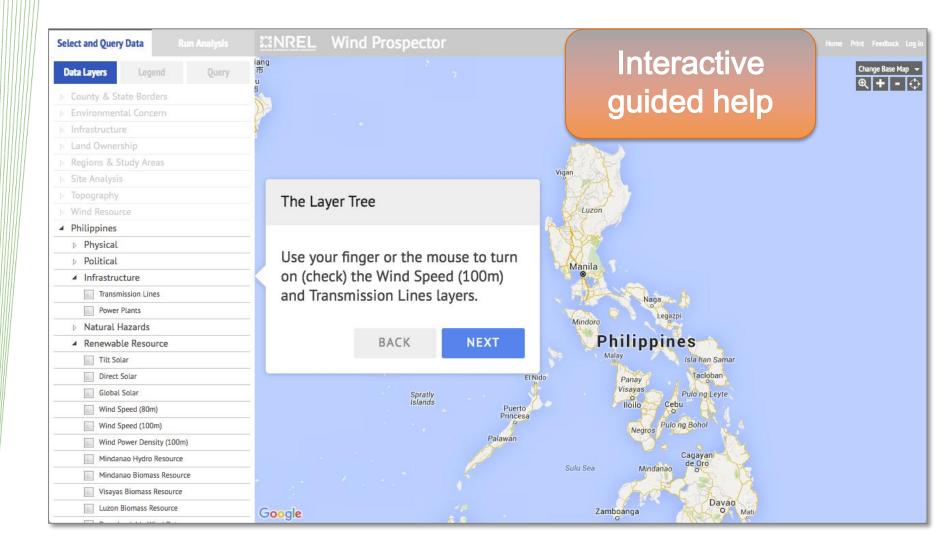
Printable maps & reports



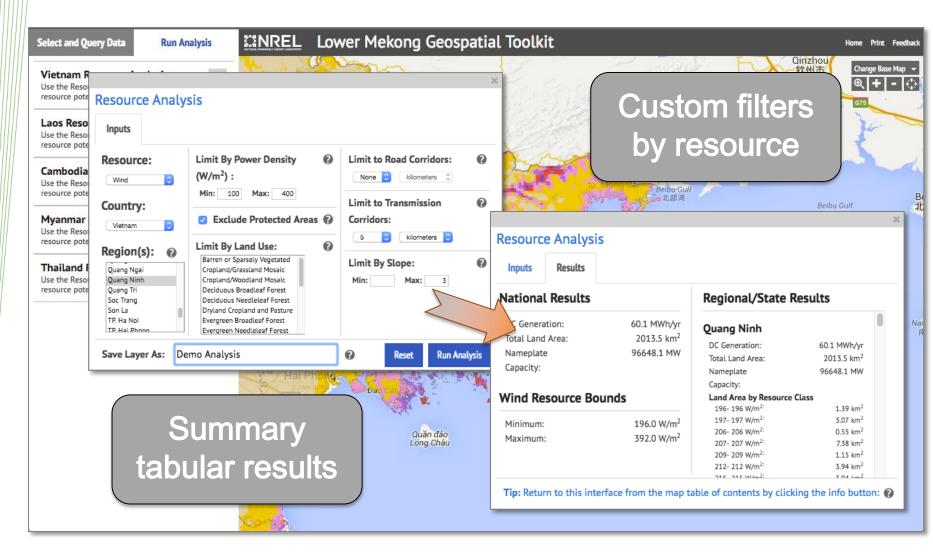
Big data downloads



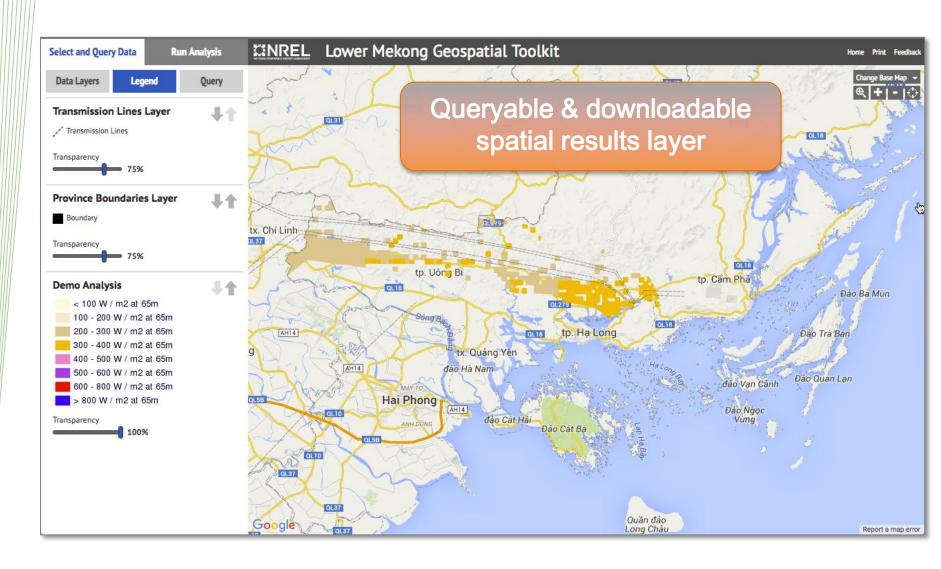
Guided help tours



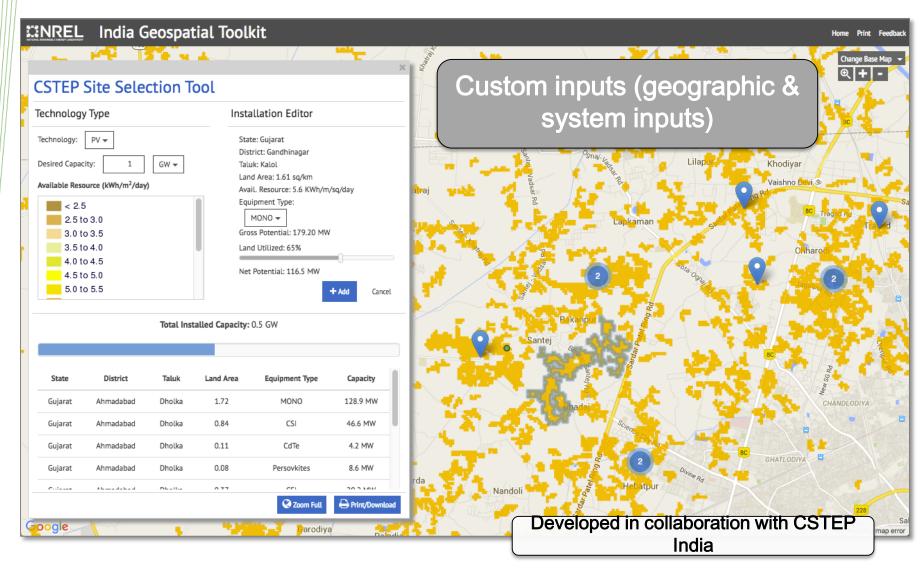
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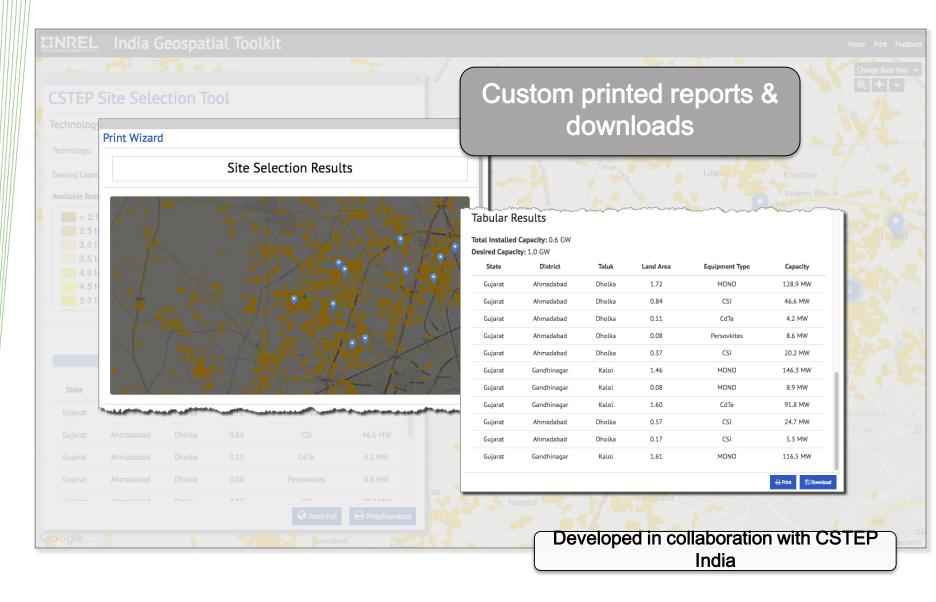
Dynamic Technical Potential (beta)



System Planning (beta)



System Planning (beta)



Using GsT for Green Growth Action Plan (GGAP) Development in Thanh Hoa

Khanh Nguyen

USAID Low Emissions Asian Development (USAID LEAD) Program Institute for Sustainable Communities (USAID Contractor)





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- 1. Thanh Hoa at a glance
- 2. Why GsT was selected and used
- 3. Issues/challenges with the use of GsT

Thanh Hoa at a glance

- A province in Vietnam
- 3.5 million people
- Gross Regional Domestic Product grew by 136% between 2010-2014
- Foreign investment levels were amongst the highest in Vietnam



- Rapid poverty reduction: 25% of households in 2010 to about 9.9% in 2014
- Economic growth has been dependent on natural resource consumption and ecosystem services and is threaten by climate change

- Thanh Hoa aims to pursue green growth to sustain economic growth while reducing pollution
 - Thanh Hoa developed its Green Growth Action Plan (GGAP) which was supported by the USAID

Green growth components

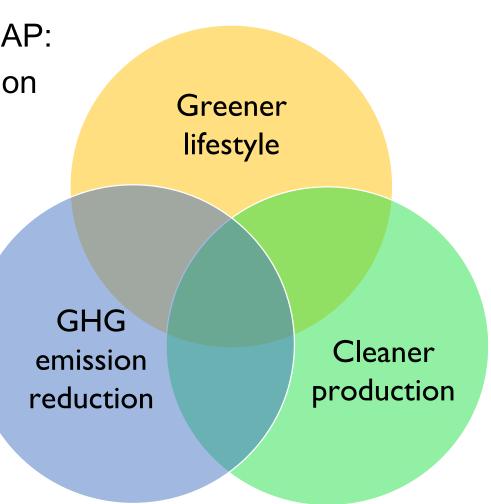
Three components of GGAP:

Greenhouse gas emission

reduction

Green lifestyle

Cleaner production



Why was GsT selected?

Why renewable energies?

- Renewable energies development (wind, solar, biomass) is key to achieving GHG emission reduction
- Thanh Hoa is good at renewable energy

The Energy Pyramid Renewable Energy Energy Efficiency Energy Conservation

Why GsT?

- Free software with built-in dataset
- Combines renewable energy resource information with other data
- Can evaluate renewable energy potential visually in an effective way
- Fairly easy to use
- Ready partners: NREL (tool developer), USAID LEAD program (capacity building partner)

How was GsT used?

Preparations

- Training on GsT was provided to the Green Growth Task Force
- Data available locally was identified during the training
- A GsT version for Thanh Hoa was developed



Training on Geospatial Toolkit

Application

- GsT was used to assess wind and solar potential i.e., locating suitable sites
- USAID commented on the selection criteria
- Identified suitable sites were converted into MW using standard land take

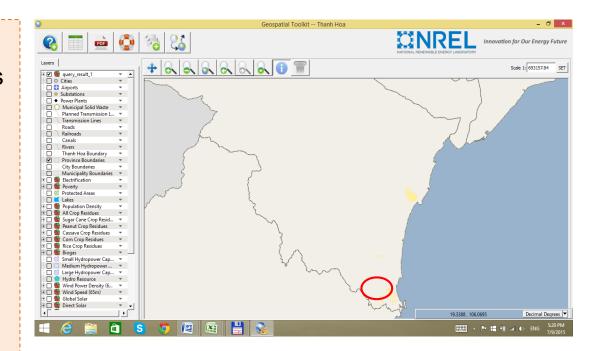
How was GsT used for wind?

Selection criteria

Wind resource: ≥ 6 m/s at 65 m height

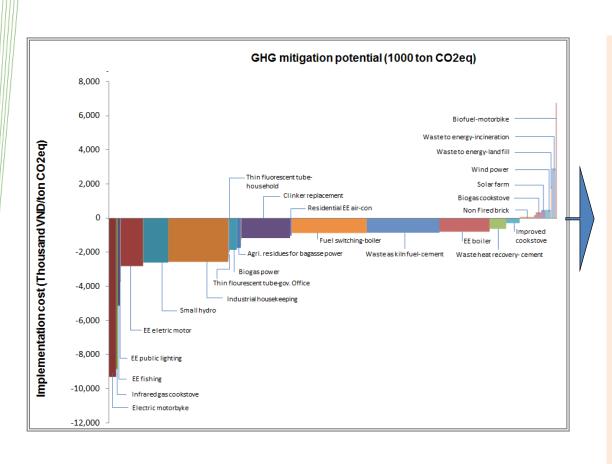
Suitable areas:

- Waste land with flat topography and with road and grid access
- Distance from main road: ≤ 5 km
- Distance from transmission grid:
 ≤ 5 km
- Land slope: ≤ 5°



How were GsT results used?

Renewable energy options and other low carbon options were evaluated by a MAC curve to derive prioritized options and therefore targets



- GHG emission reduction targets: 14% by 2020 and 23% by 2030
- Ground mounted solar PV: 20 MW by 2020, 100 MW by 2030
- Rooftop solar PV: 40 buildings each 20 kW by 2030
- Wind power: 20 MW by 2020 and 40 MW by 2030
- GGAP was APPROVED on 28 January 2016
- GGTF has asked USAID to help develop concept note for the solar PV plant for funding

Challenges with GsT application

- Results are dependent on the quality and availability of data – Good results require good data. Thanh Hoa benefited from GIS data made available from other projects
- Results need verification, in the first step by conducting site inspection and then by on-site measurement if the inspection holds promising results.
- The program is relatively slow
- Customization of the tool requires high expertise

Q & A session

Thank you for participating - please join the LEDS GP!

Further reading, recordings of webinars, etc.:

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