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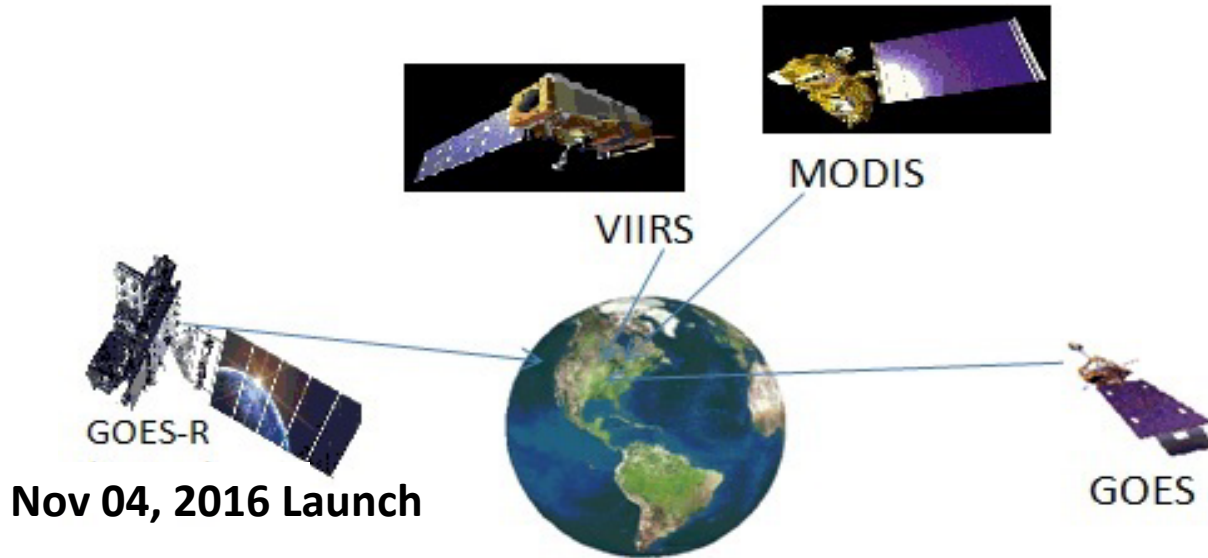
Preparing for GOES-R Aerosol Optical Depth Using Proxy Data

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The GOES-R Advanced Baseline Imager

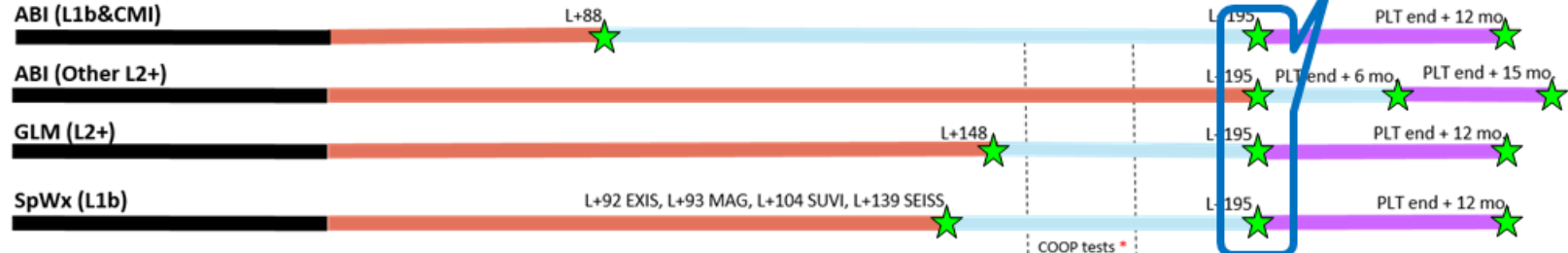
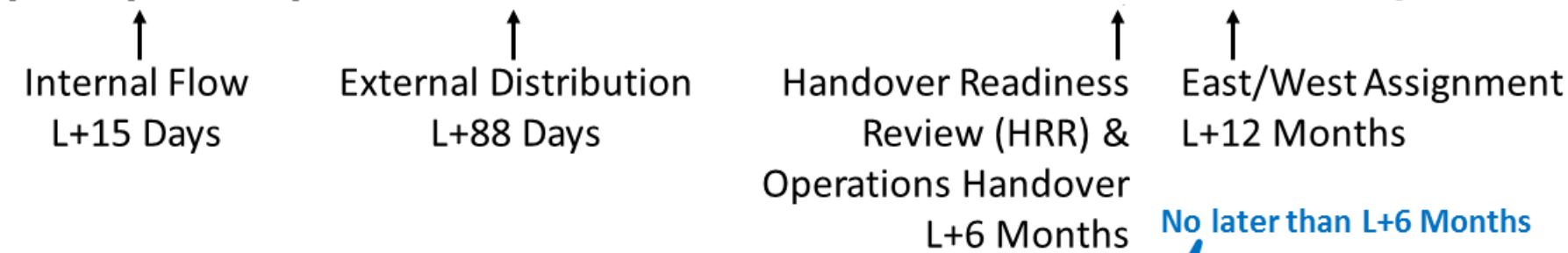
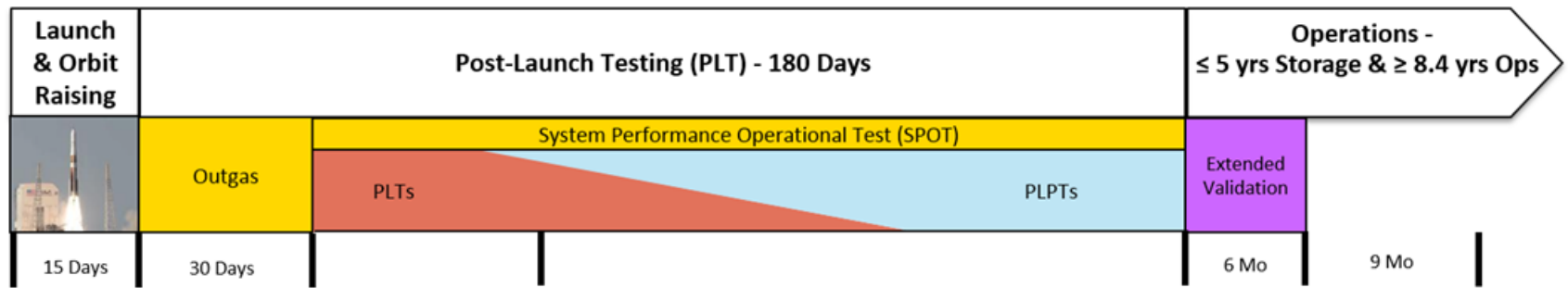


GOES-R ABI will have five channels between 0.47 and 2.25 μm with on-orbit calibration that can be used to retrieve aerosol properties over land and ocean.

- The ABI aerosol algorithm is based on heritage MODIS and VIIRS algorithms.
- The ABI AOD retrieval is at 2-km spatial resolution and 5- and 15- minute temporal resolution during daytime (VIIRS EDR AOD retrieval is once per day at 6km, MODIS C6 AOD retrieval is once per day at 3km)



Post-Launch Plans for GOES-R



No later than L+6 Months

LEGEND

- Science Data Not Flowing
- Post-Launch Observatory Testing / beta testing → Beta Validated Products
- Post-Launch Product Testing (PLPT) / provisional testing → Provisionally Validated Products
- Extended Val / full validation testing → Fully Validated Products

Current as of Apr 12, 2016
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★ Declaration of Maturity Milestones occurs at Peer-Stakeholder Product Validation Reviews (PS-PVRs)

* Two one-day data blackout during this period due to COOP tests.



Product Maturity Levels

What do the Product Maturity Levels mean? There is a PS-PVR at each stage as a method of informing the user community of the following readiness for use:

Beta: Products are made available to users to gain familiarity with data formats and parameters. It has been minimally validated and may still contain significant errors and is not optimized for operational use.

Provisional: Product ready for operational use but has documented known issues. Product analyses are sufficient to communicate product performance to users relative to expectations.

Full: Product is operational. All known product anomalies are resolved and/or documented and shared with the user community.

ABI Bands

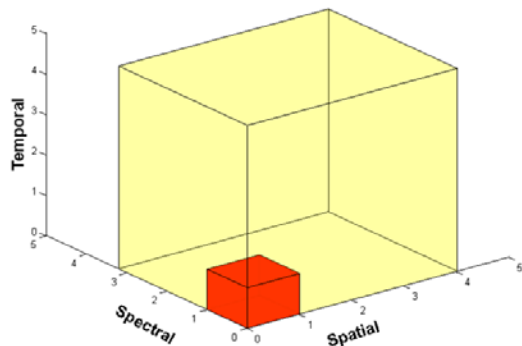
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3	0.86	0.84-0.88	Daytime vegetation & aerosol-on-water, winds
4	1.38	1.365-1.395	Daytime cirrus cloud
5	1.61	1.58-1.64	Daytime cloud water, snow
6	2.26	2.235 - 2.285	Daytime land/cloud properties, particle size, vegetation
7	3.90	3.80-4.00	sfc. & cloud/fog at night, fire
8	6.15	5.7-6.6	High-level water, flow
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Current GOES Imagers

MSG or Sounder

MODIS or MTG, etc

ABI versus Current GOES

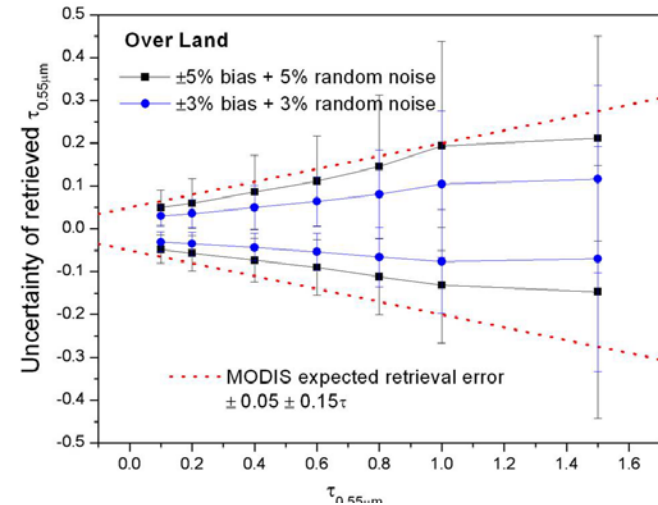


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(5-minute full disk vs. 25-minute)

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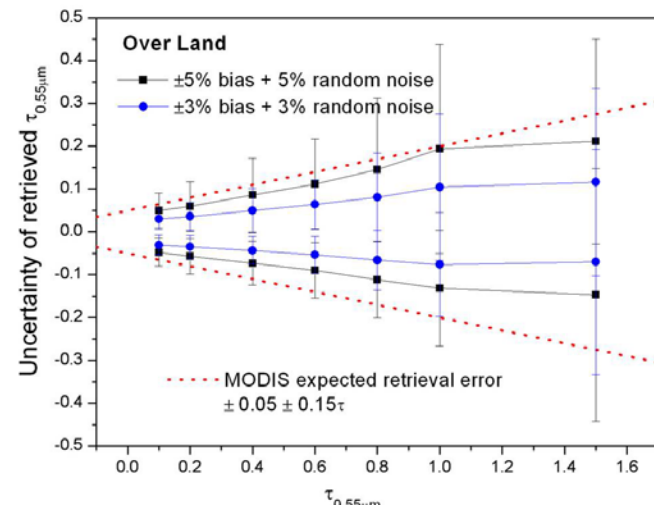
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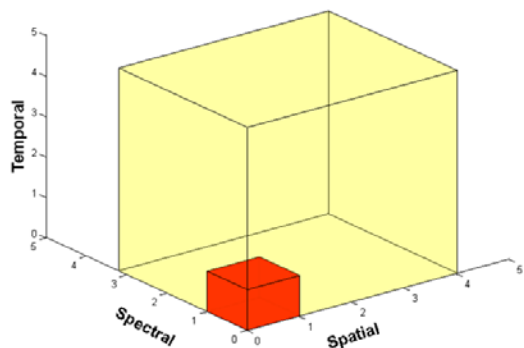
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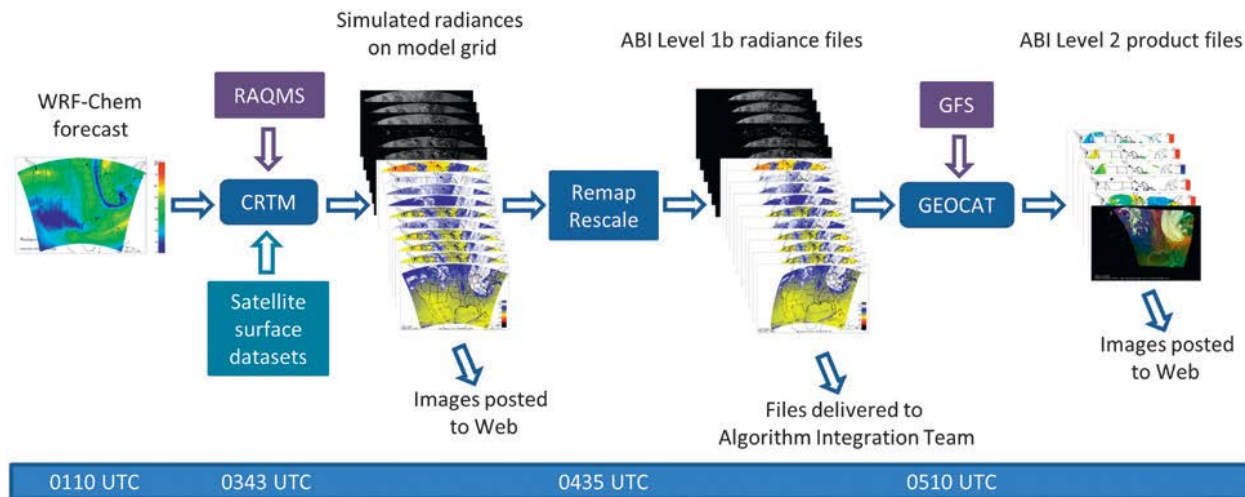
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Real-time Simulation of the GOES-R ABI

- **High resolution (8km) Weather Research and Forecasting (WRF) model with chemistry (WRF-Chem) meteorological, cloud, and aerosol prediction**
- **Community Radiative Transfer Model (CRTM) forward modeling**
- **MODIS Bi-directional reflectance function (BRDF) surface reflectance**
- **Used for**
 - ✓ **GOES-R Ground System testing (Data Operations Exercise to test data flows)**
 - ✓ **User Readiness (test data formats, display software...)**
 - ✓ **Product Evaluation (running algorithms to catch deficiencies)**



GOES-R Synthetic ABI AWG Datasets (AAWDS)

AWG@SSEC

NWP/Aerosol/Ozone
Forecast –
Radiative
Transfer –
synthetic radiances

GFS
Met+Ozone
(Global)

RAQMS
Aerosol
(Global)

RAQMS
Ozone
(Global)

WRF-Chem
Met/Aerosol
(CONUS)

CRTM **CONUS**
16 ABI bands

CRTM **Full Disk**
16 ABI bands

Ground System

RaFTR software –
ABI in a box

Grid Remap
(GOES-R Full Disk GRB)

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(GOES-R CONUS/MESO GRB)

GOES West

GOES Test (Central)

GOES East

Full Disk

Flex

Imagery, Level 2 also
being generated

Via PDA

NWS

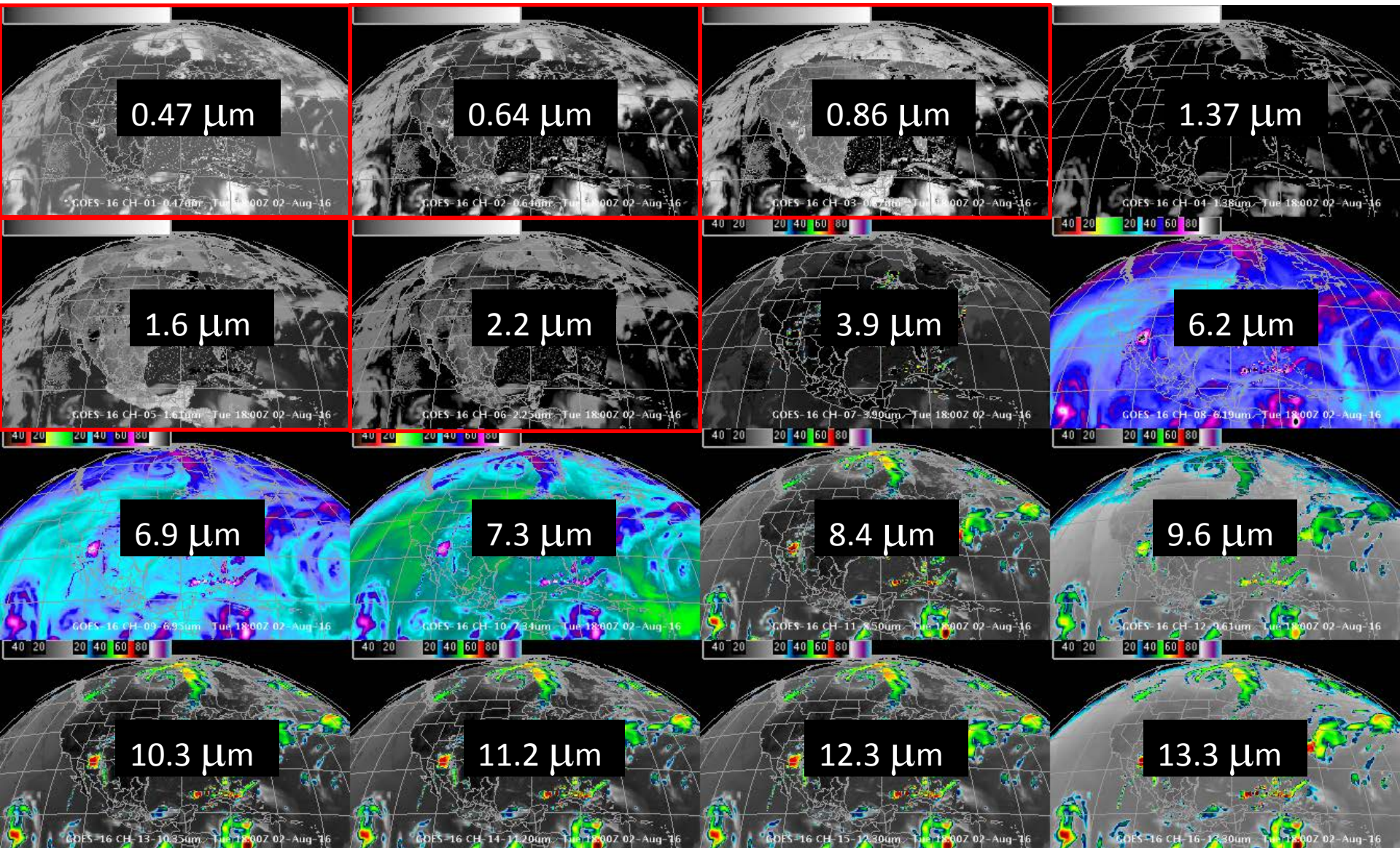
NOAA Satellite Broadcast Network (SBN) distribution

AWIPS II

...including SSEC/CIMSS,
national centers, select WFOs

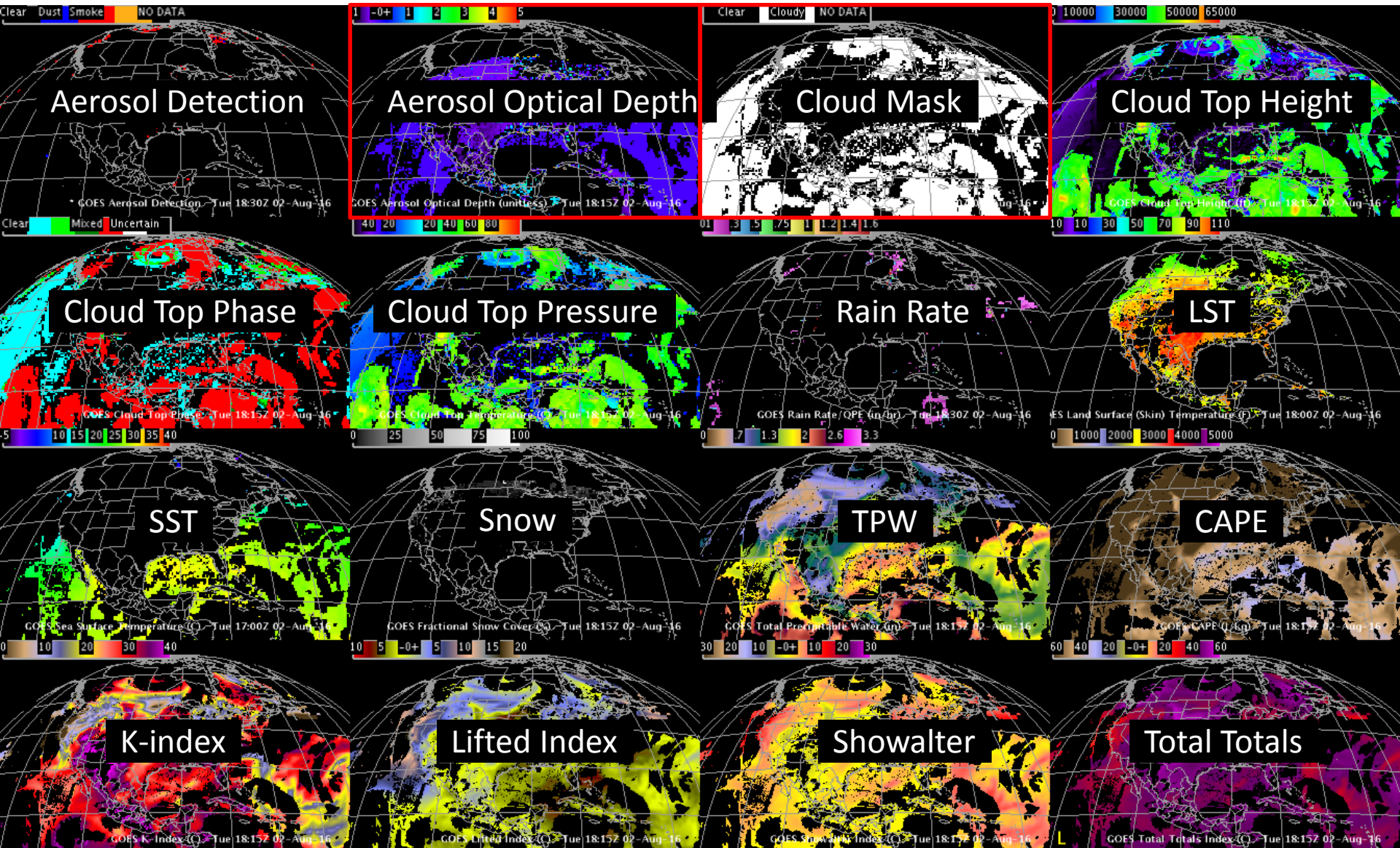
Flowchart to emulate several operational
situations (satellite locations and scan modes)

Simulated ABI Spectral bands



GOES-R ABI Imagery simulated at UW via AWG Proxy, processed via the Ground System, acquired via NOAAPort, shown in AWIPS-II (default enhancements)

Simulated ABI (select) Derived Products



Using GOES-R ABI Imagery simulated at UW via AWG Proxy, processed via the Ground System, acquired via NOAAPort, in AWIPS-II (default enhancements)

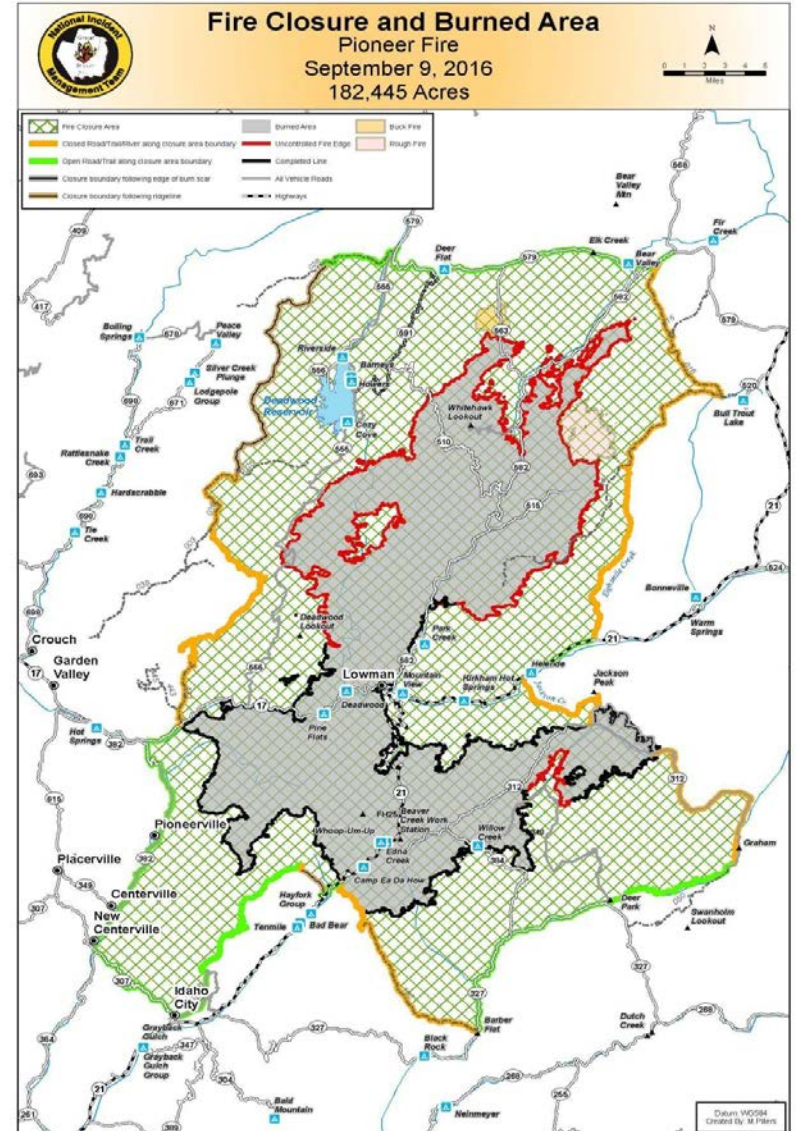
Demonstration of GOES-R ABI aerosol retrievals using synthetic ABI proxy data

Pioneer Fire, Idaho

Current as of	9/9/2016, 11:52:28 AM
Incident Type	Wildfire
Cause	Unknown
Date of Origin	Monday July 18th, 2016 approx. 05:00 PM
Total Personnel	1,002
Size	182,445 Acres
Percent of Perimeter Contained	56%

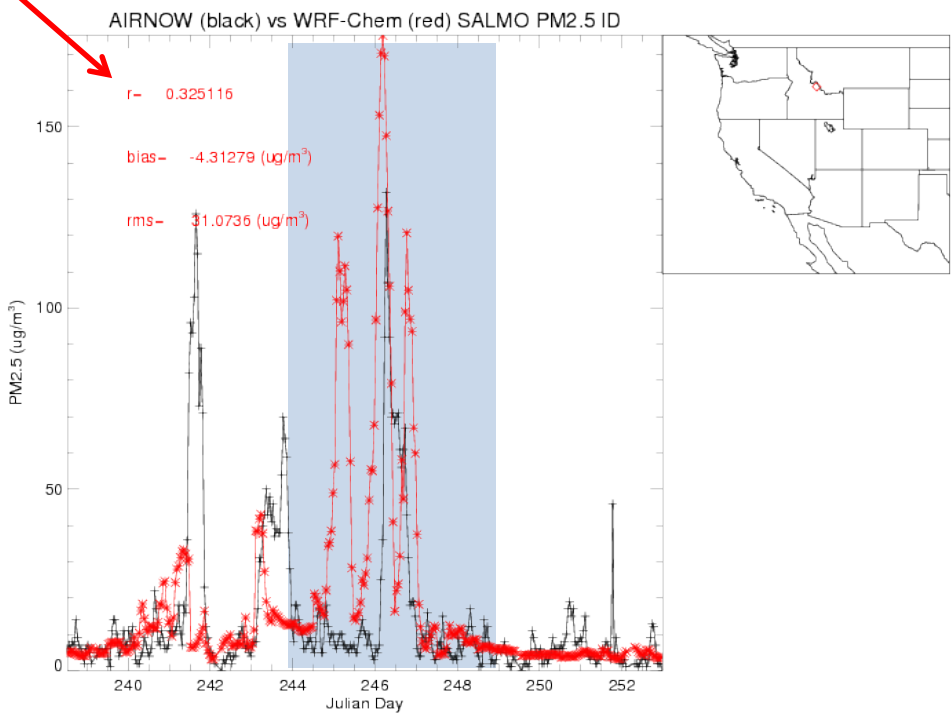
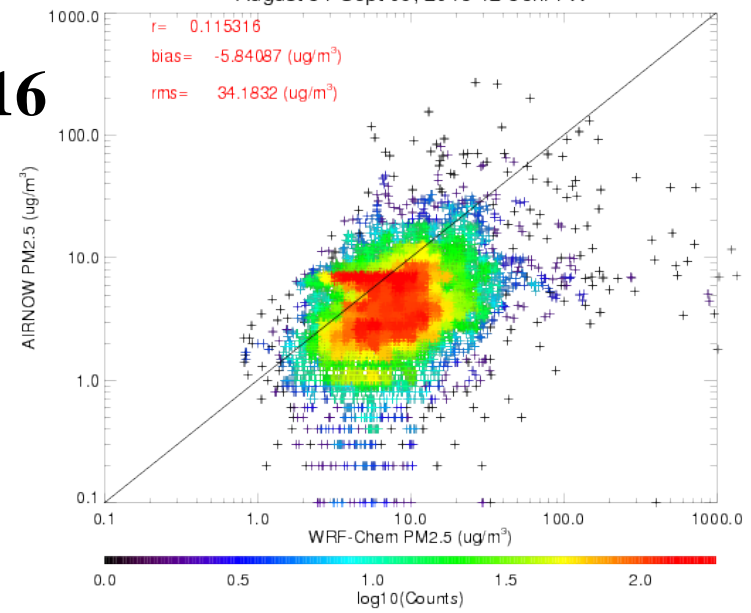
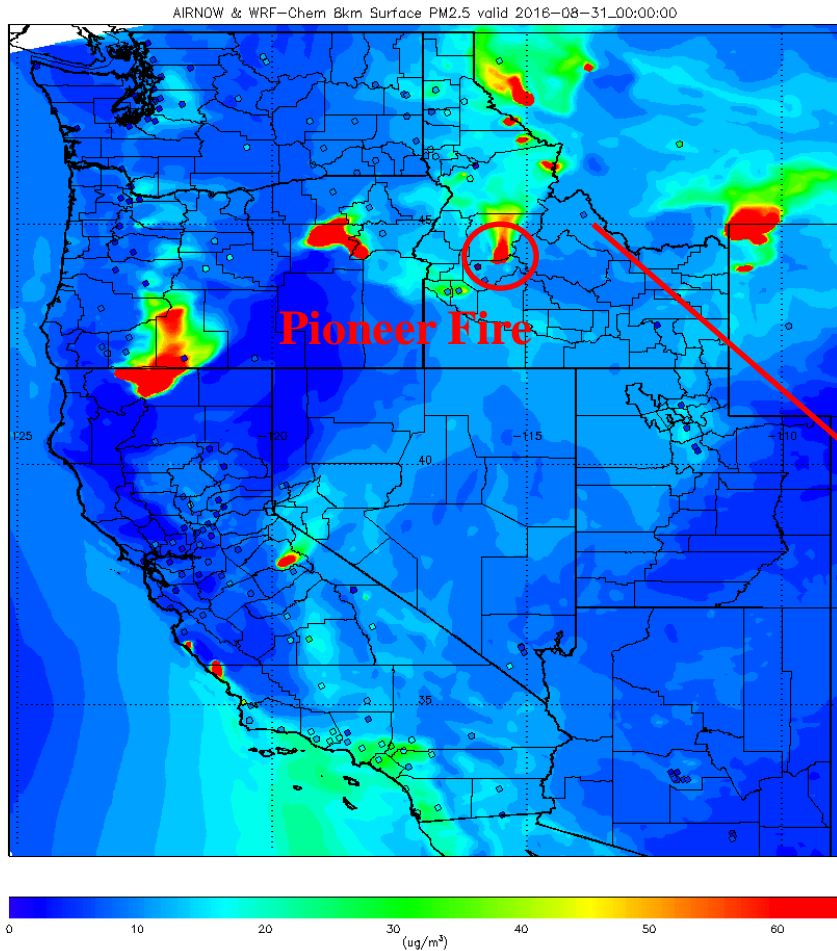
Approximate Location

43.95 latitude, -115.762 longitude [zoom to incident](#)



WRF-Chem surface PM2.5 Pioneer Fire August 31-September 05, 2016

WRF-Chem vs AIRNOW Western US
August 31-Sept 09, 2016 12-36hr FX



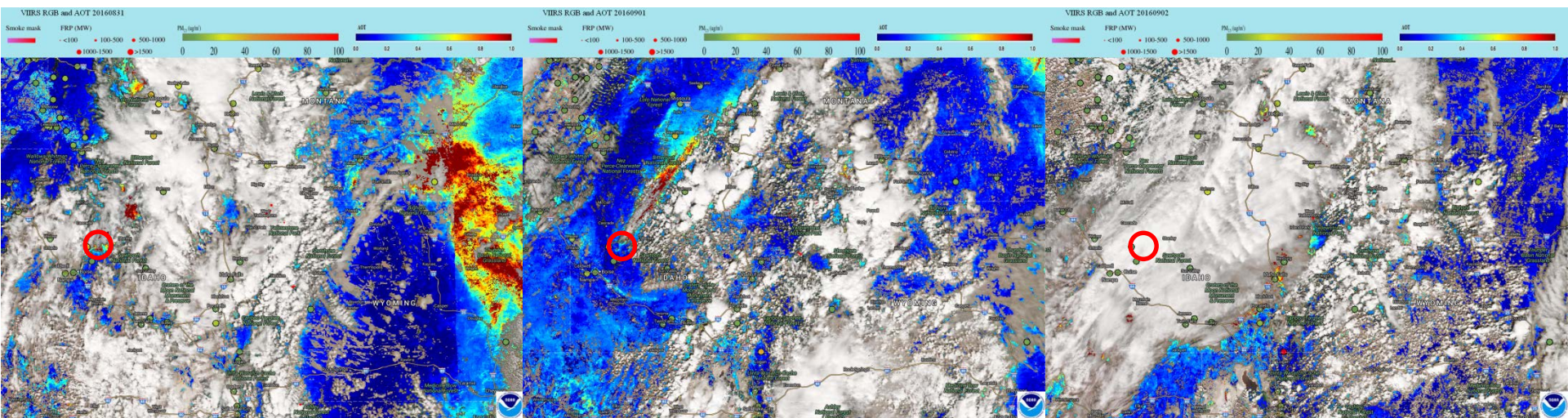
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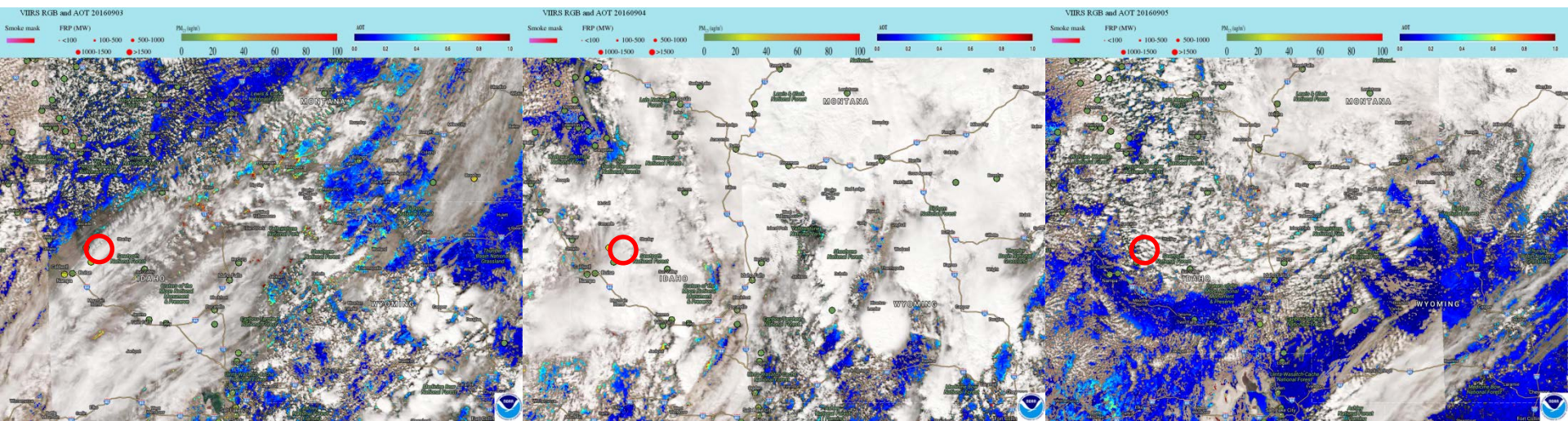
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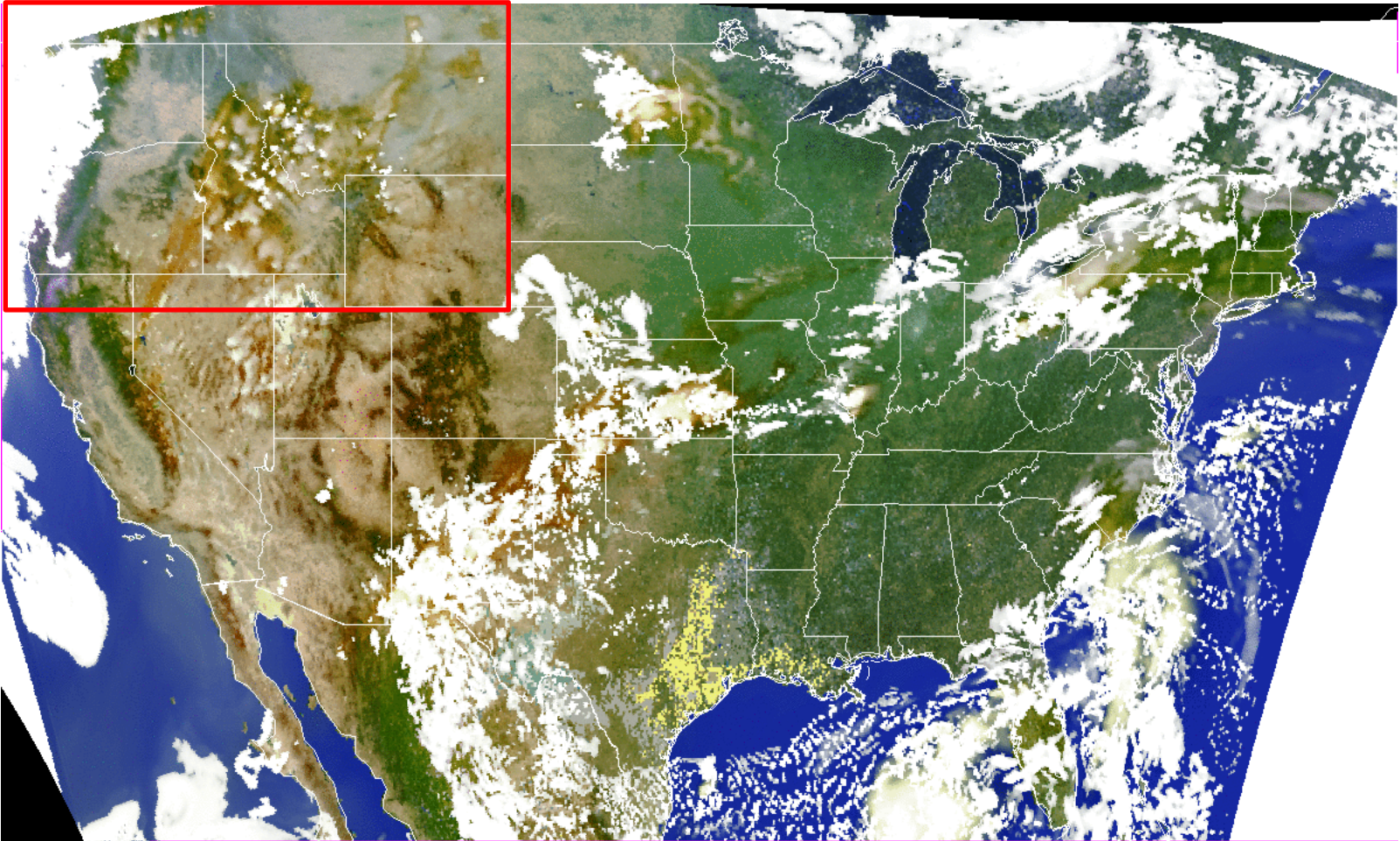
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GOES-R ABI 2016-08-31 to 2016-09-05 (1600-2200 UCT)

Simulated Natural Color



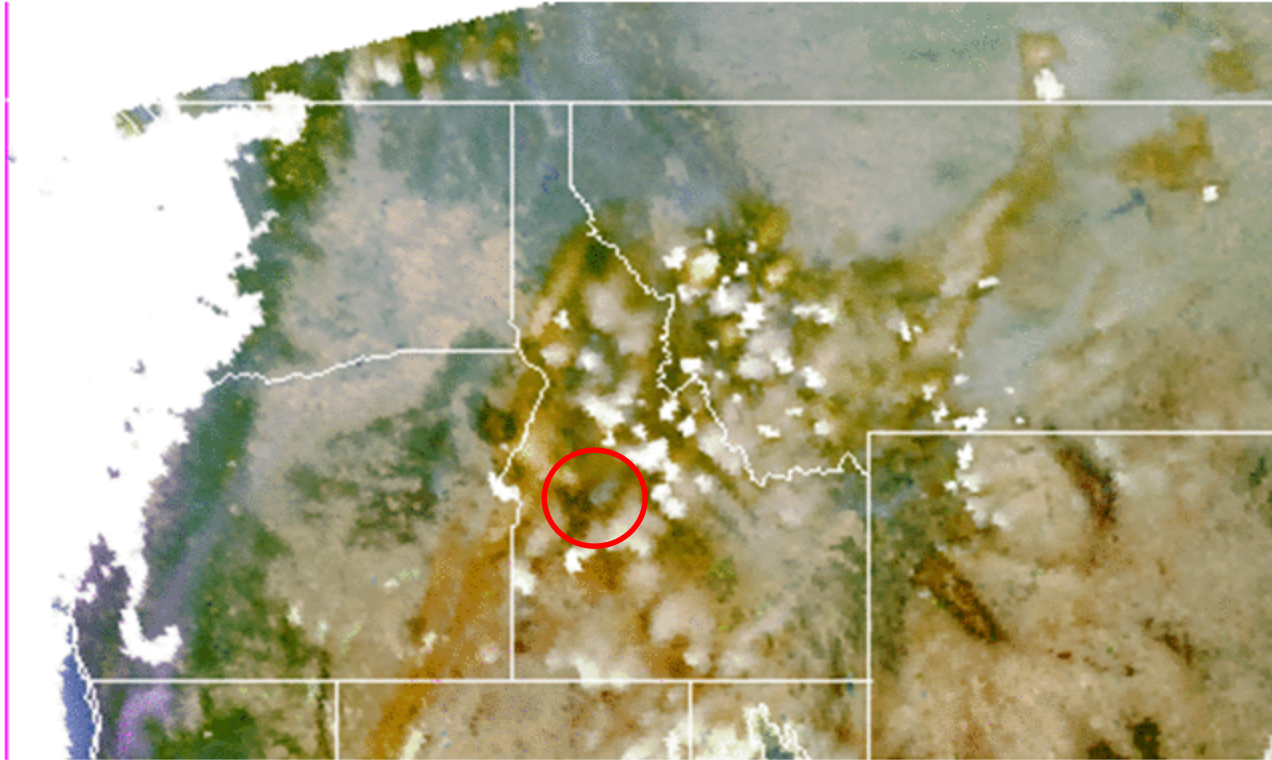
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The 0.86 μm near IR (NIR) band is utilized in a regression based LUT, along with the Red and Blue bands, to create the needed Green band.

Pacific North West Zoom 2016-08-31 to 2016-09-01 (1600-2200 UCT)

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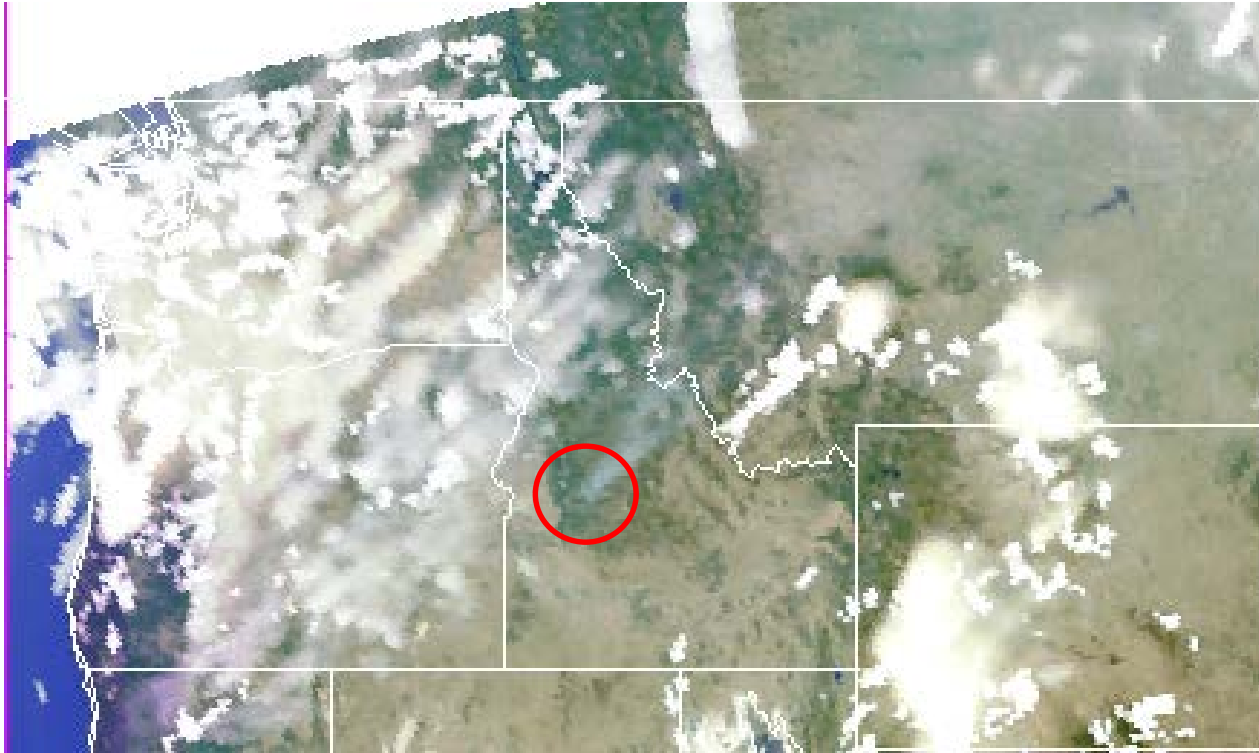
GOES-R 2016-08-31 1600 UCT Simulated Natural Color (Beta)



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Pacific North West Zoom 2016-09-01 2200 UCT Simulated Natural Color

GOES-R 2016-09-01 2200 UCT Simulated Natural Color/AOD (Beta)

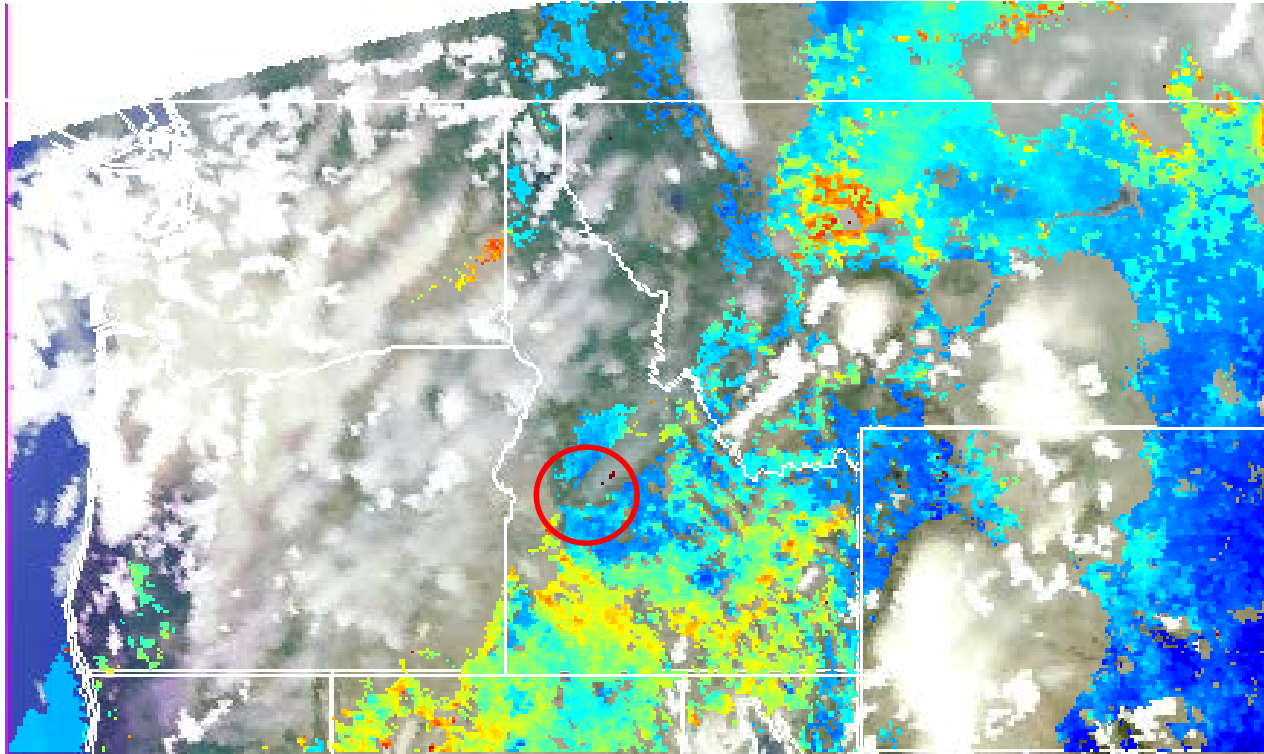


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Synthetic GOES-R ABI AOD retrieval:

MODIS and VIIRS heritage multi-spectral AOD retrieval at high (2km) spatial and high (5 minute CONUS, 15 minute Full Disk) temporal resolution

Summary

- GOES-R launch scheduled for November 04, 2016
- Beta level maturity Aerosol Optical Depth (AOD) products available no later than Launch+6months
- GOES-R Advanced Baseline Imager (ABI) multi-spectral AOD retrievals based in MODIS and VIIRS heritage algorithms
- ABI will provide MODIS and VIIRS quality AOD retrievals at high spatial (2km) and temporal (5 minutes CONUS, 15 minutes Full Disk) resolution
- Increased spatial and temporal resolution will increase likelihood of cloud free scenes and improve characterization of aerosol loading over the continental US as well as long-range transport of aerosols from other sources.