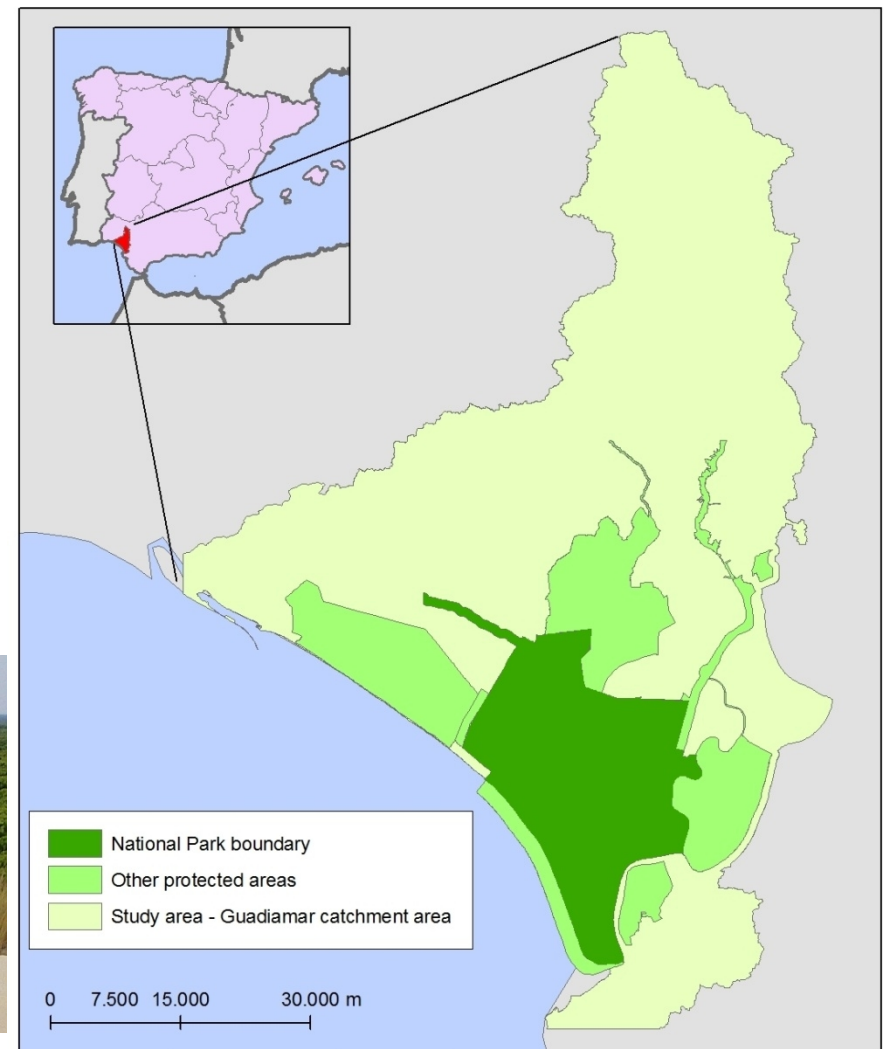
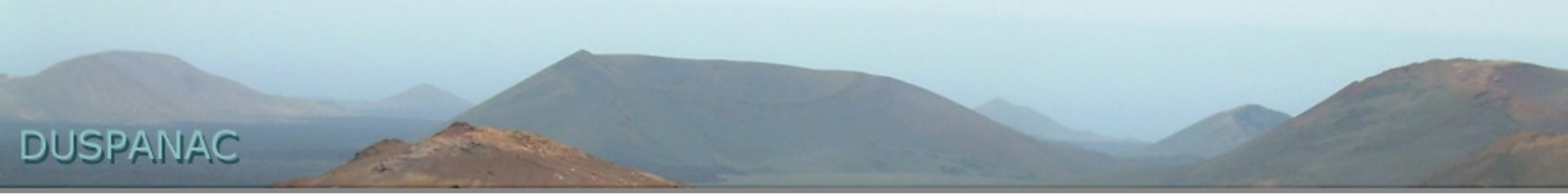


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1. Application of CA-type models to non-urban areas.
2. Modelling procedure - approach useful for future CA land use modelling in non-urban areas?
3. To review the lessons learnt & future steps to improve the model & its applicability as DSS for Doñana natural area.



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DOÑANA:

Interconnected coastal dune and wetland ecosystems - Unique in terms of its biodiversity

Socio-economic development has raised GDP dramatically over 60 years -
but deterioration of natural area

increased awareness NP 1969,
UNESCO 1993, among others..

SUSTAINABLE DOÑANA?

Conservation as a partner of
development

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METHODS:

Land use models of historical and future change

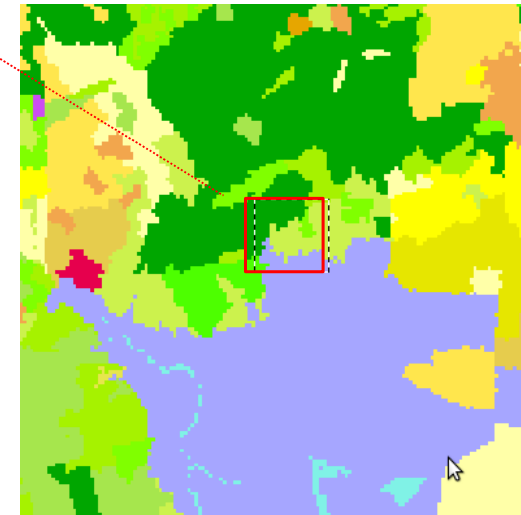
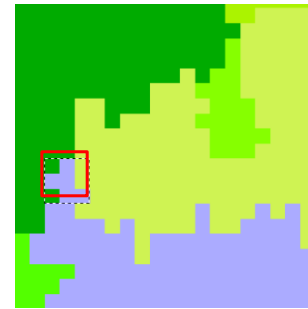
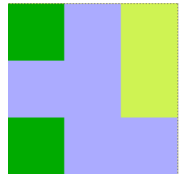
cell by cell evolution of landscape in response to land change drivers and constraints

Scenarios for future management of the natural area in context of its region

Models developed together with stakeholders

2	3	1
3	3	1
2	3	3

2	3	1
3	3	1
2	3	3



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METRONAMICA™ software, a constrained cellular automata model (White and Engelen 1993)

step by step cell evolution controlled by Transition Potential (TP) algorithm:

MS2 → M1*n*a*s*z*á

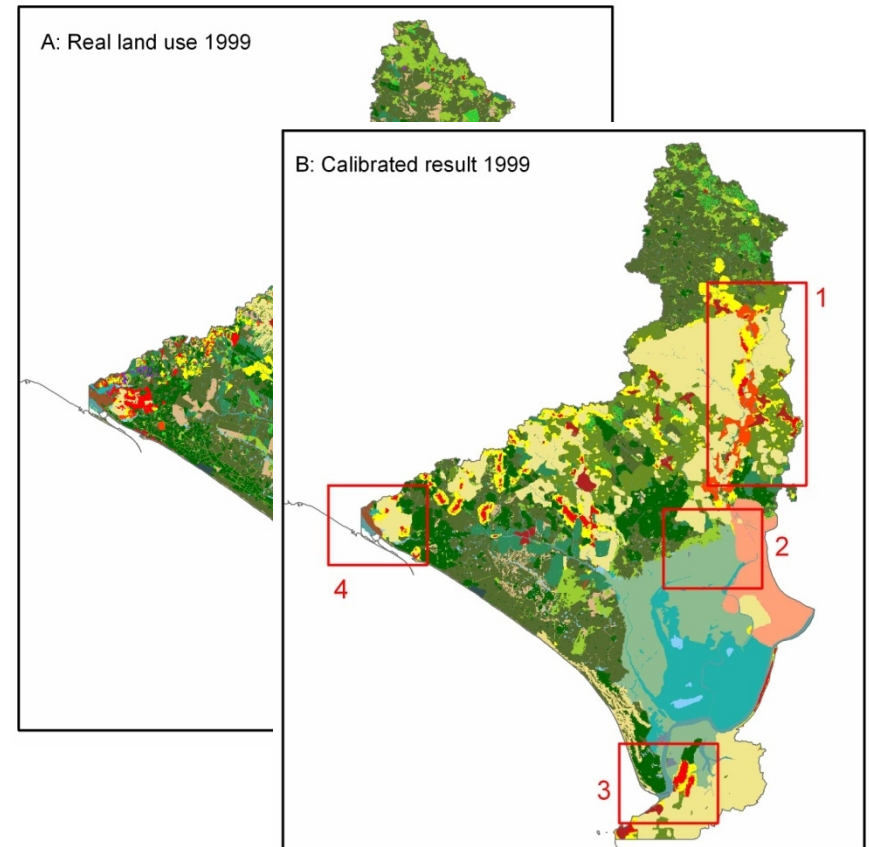
n = cell neighbourhood rules

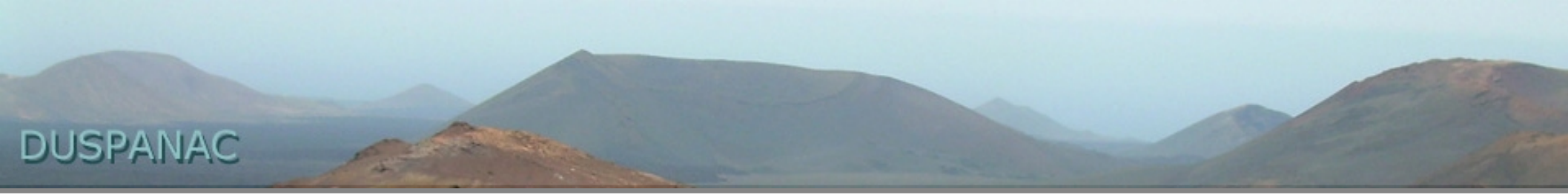
a = accessibility

s = (biophysical) suitability

z = zoning (planning or policy actions)

á = stochastic factor





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PILOT MODEL:

Test input data (corine land cover)

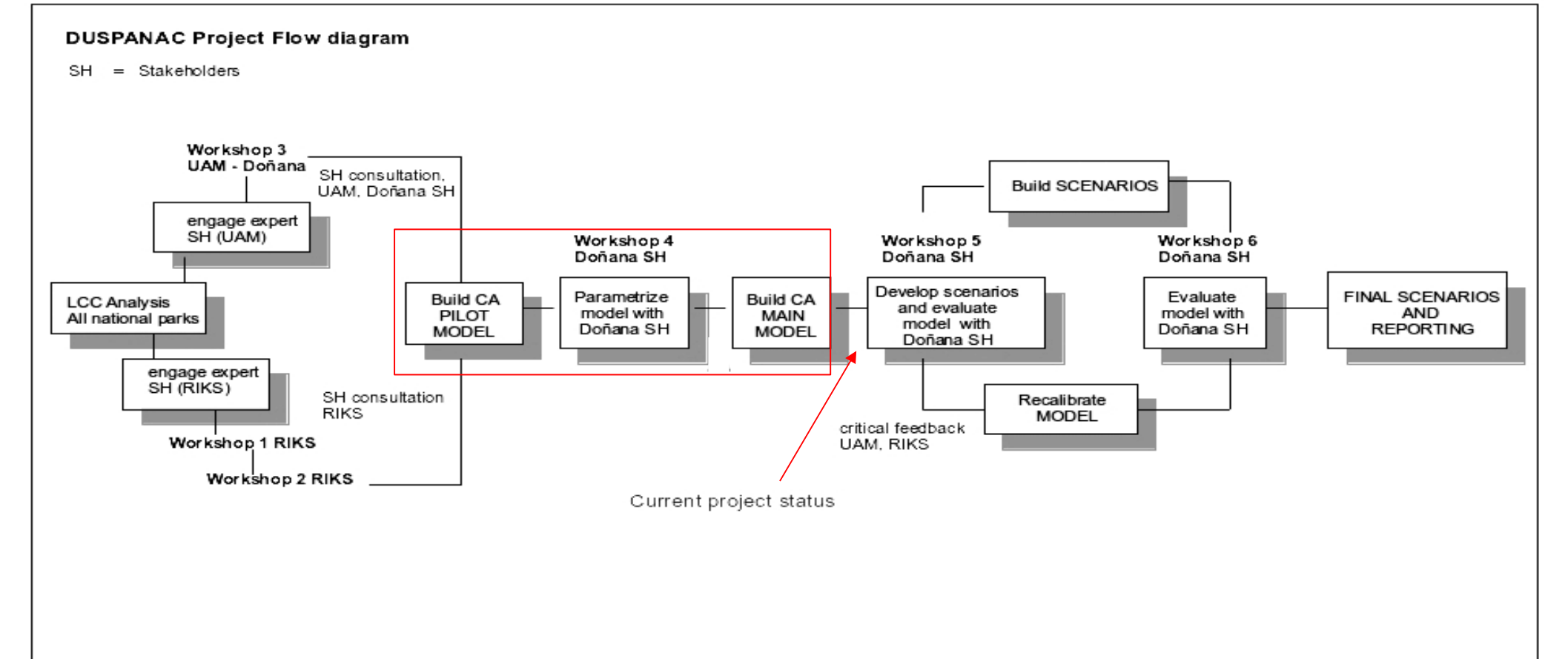
Test researcher's assumptions (participatory workshops)

Test appropriateness of software for natural/non-urban areas

Pilot model prior to commitment of extensive resources, allowing time to change direction early within the project cycle

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The modelling chain:



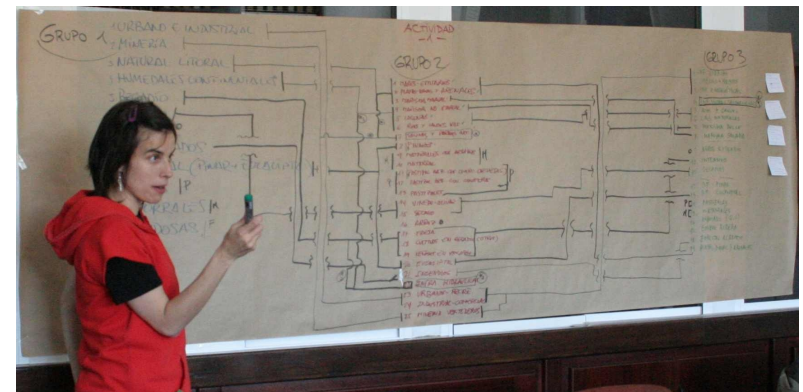
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STAKEHOLDERS:

1. Why model?
2. Who is the model for?
3. Improved acceptance
4. Social learning/shared learning

PARAMETERS

1. Model study area
2. Land use datasets and classes to use in the model
3. Land use dynamics to represent





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KEY LAND USE DYNAMICS 1990-2006 (CLC)

- Significant expansion of fruit and berry plantations (F) (Intensive cultivation of citrus and strawberry).
- Increase in other types of irrigated crops (TRP)
- Loss of natural areas (shrubland, grassland, wetland)
- Increase in urban fabric, leisure areas, areas in construction

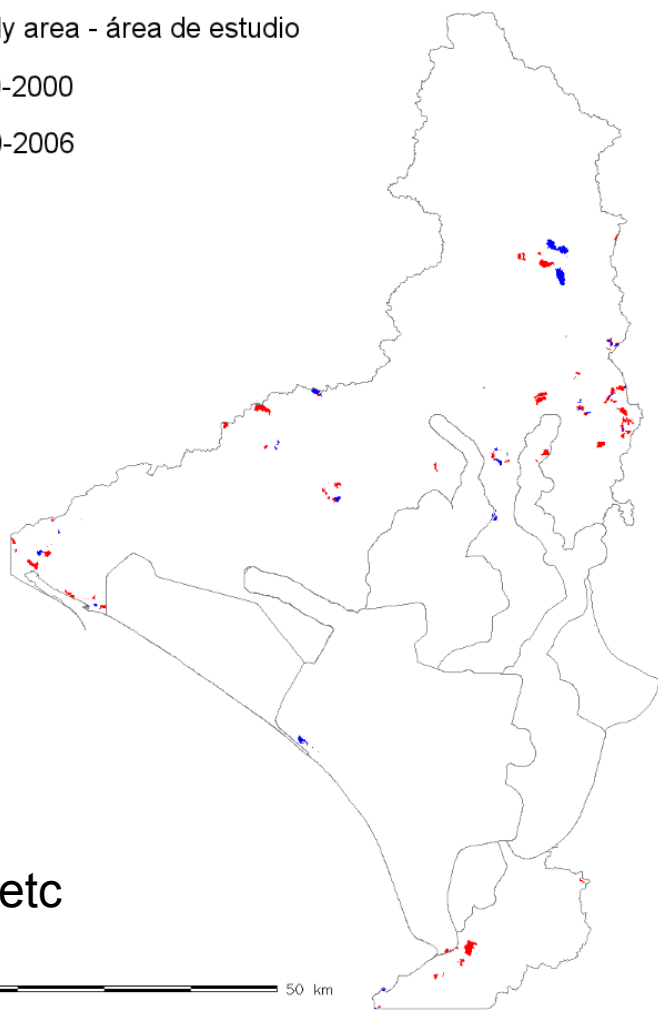
ALL TAKING PLACE ON THE FRINGE OF THE PROTECTED AREA



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Nuevas superficies artificiales, 1990-2006, según corine land cover

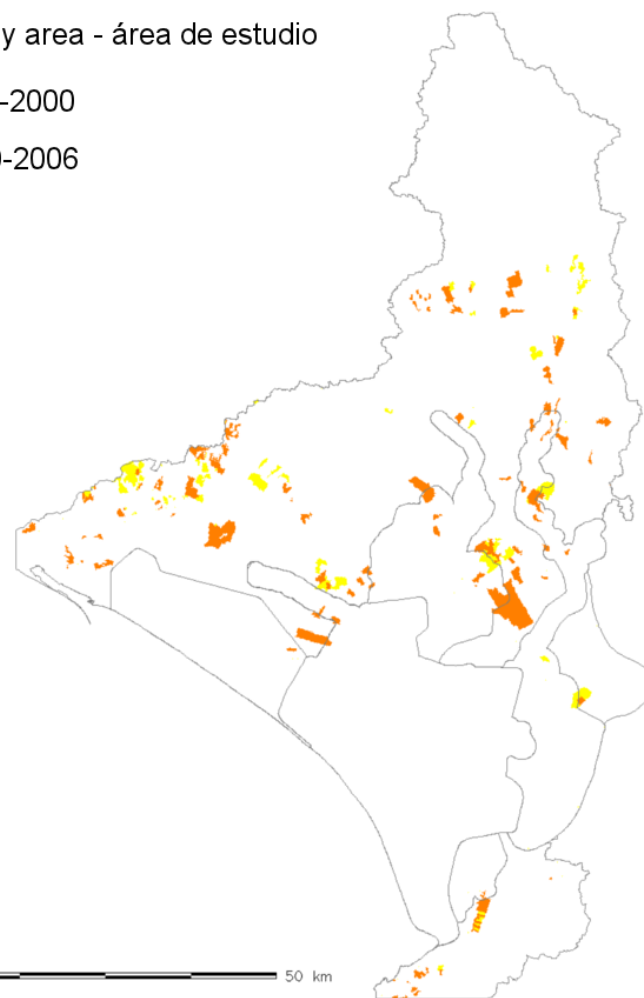
- Study area - área de estudio
- 1990-2000
- 2000-2006



urban etc

Aumento de cultivos en regadío 1990-2006, según corine land cover

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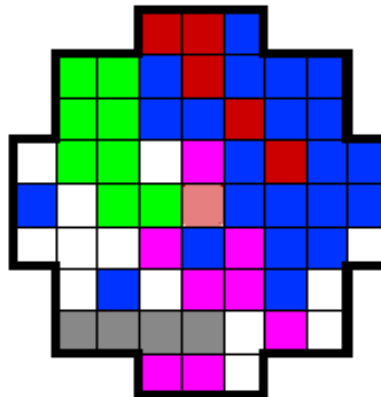
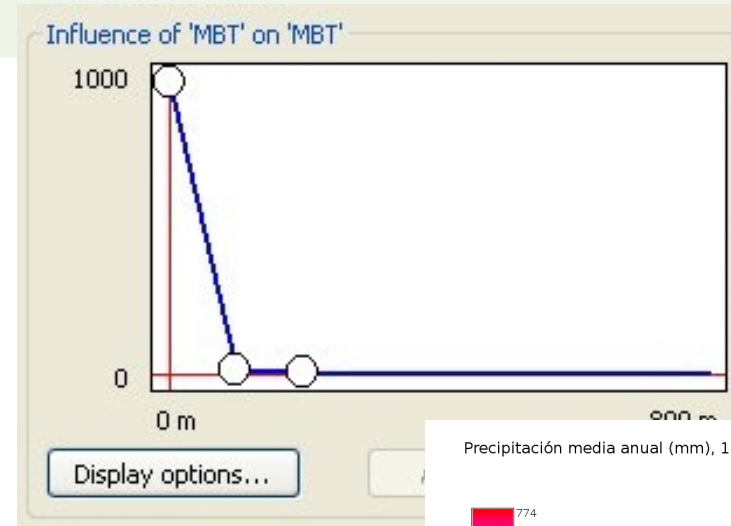


irrigated

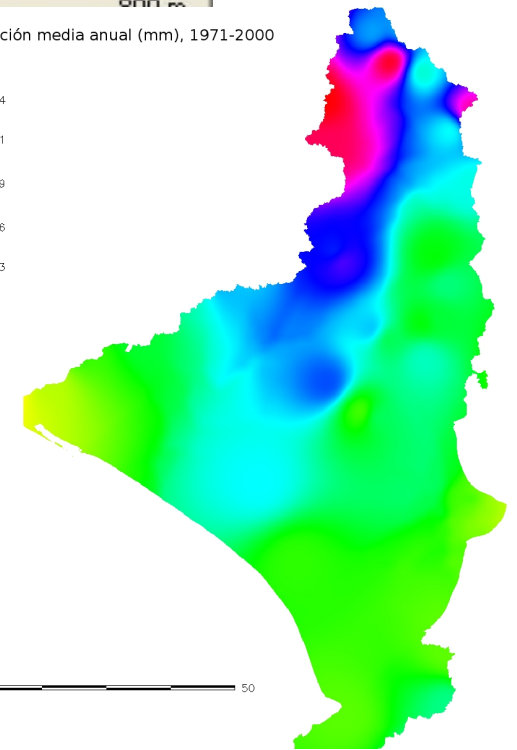
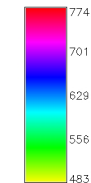
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Model calibration

1. introduce demand (cells) for each FUNCTION land use
2. Set neighbourhood rules (attraction and repulsion) (n=197)
3. Introduce accessibility, suitability, zoning.
4. Run model
5. Iterations (modify parameters 1-3)



Precipitación media anual (mm), 1971-2000



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Scenario development with the CA model

E1 : Business as usual (BAU)

E2: Expansion of urban areas and tourist infrastructures

E3: Massive
Expansion of fruit
trees and berry
plantations

	ha 1990	ha 2000	ha 2006	E1 2030	E2 2030	E3 2030
USO						
TUC	407	407	451	517	781	517
TUD	6	6	6	6	6	6
ZC	53	53	38	15,5	15,5	15,5
IDR	13	65	65	143	455	143
TRP	419	369	351	249	249	249
F	100	241	241	452,5	452,5	2000
MC	0	50	50	125	125	125
MBT	3307	4464	4939	7387	7387	7387

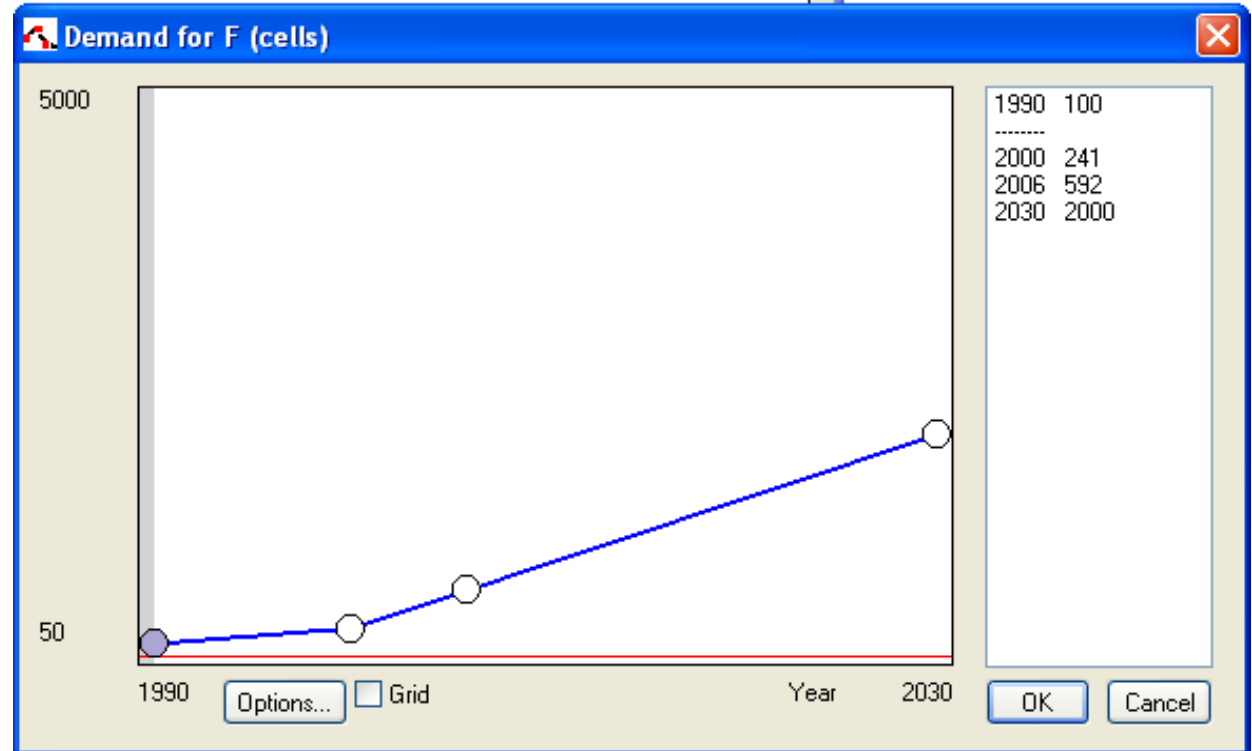
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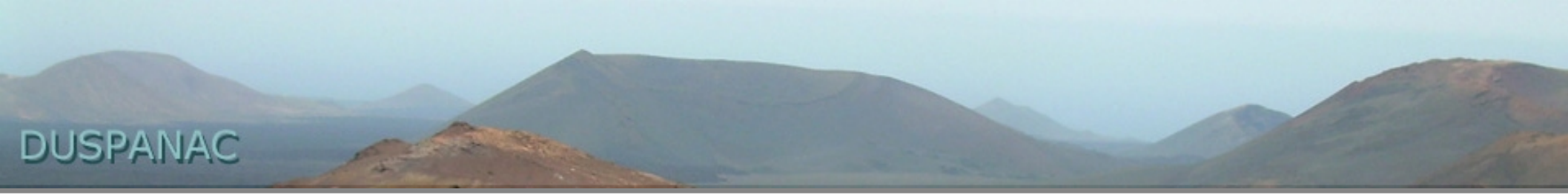
E3: Massive Expansion of fruit/berry crops up to 2030

Between 1990 and 2006, the surface area occupied by F increased by 141 ha.

En escenario E1, F increases at the pace observed 1990-2006

In scenario E3 - F increases much more quickly than 1990-2006 (approx 8x)



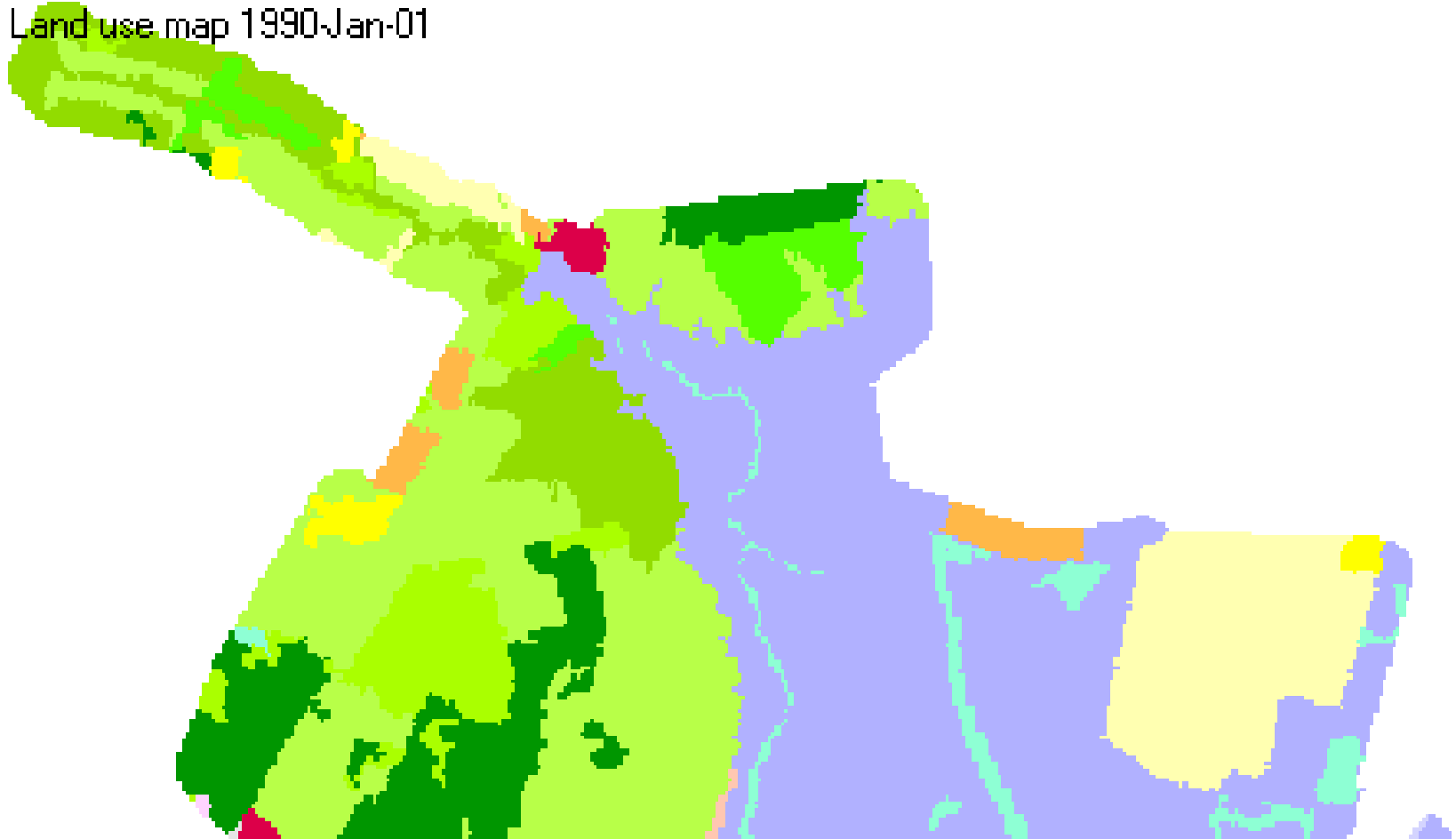


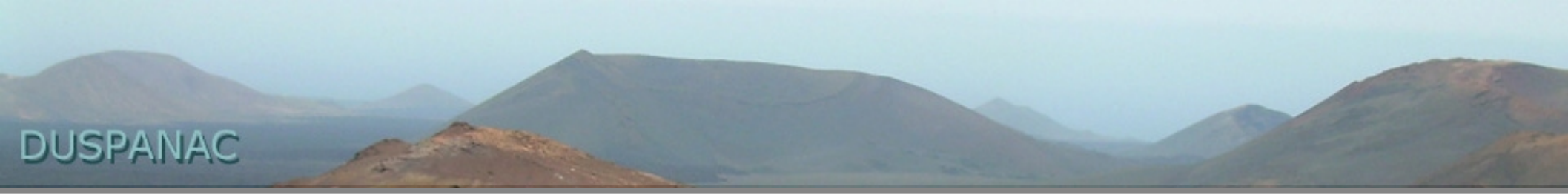
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E3: Expansión masiva de frutales hasta 2030

Land use map 1990-Jan-01





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RESULTS: Can CA models like metronamica be applied to non urban areas?

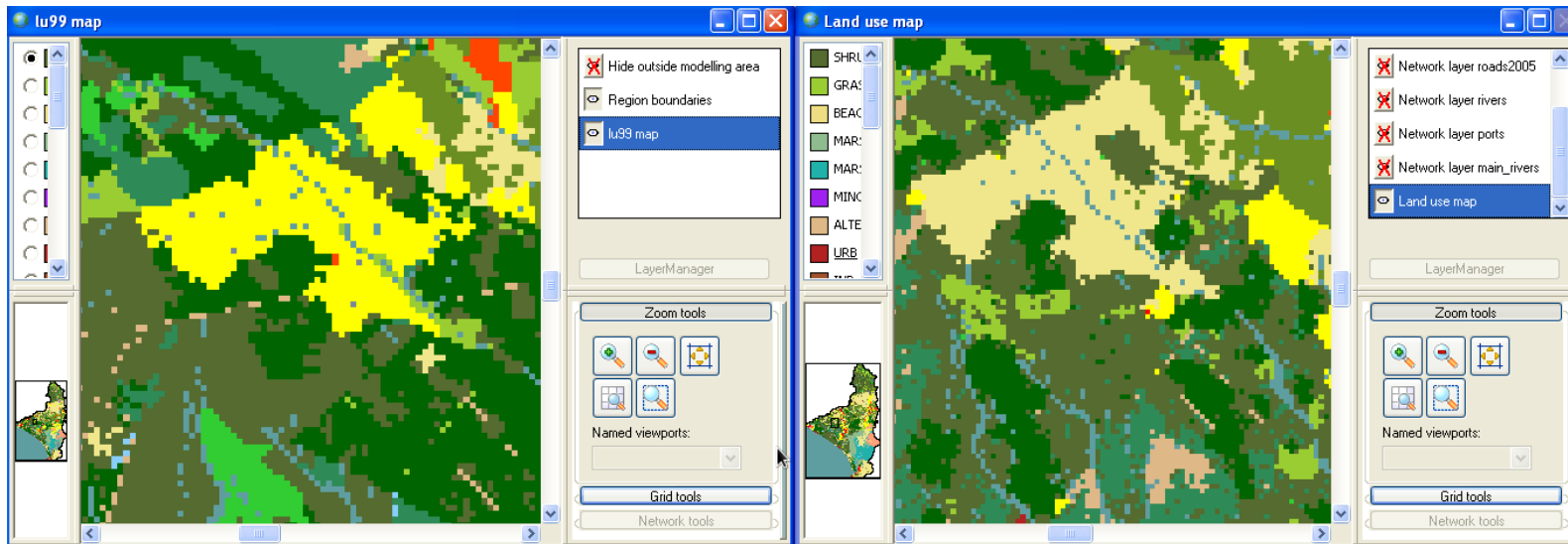
Yes, as long as:

- LU dynamics can be represented through neighbourhood rules
- if the theoretical model of pressure and competition over land uses can reasonably be applied
- at least some areas can be shown to grow incrementally (resolution dependent?)

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DIFFICULTIES:

- Evolution of vegetation categories
- Non-incremental growth of land areas (e.g. irrigated crops)



RESPONSES:

- inertia effect for vacant vegetation classes
- Create specific suitability maps for large change areas

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LESSONS LEARNT FROM PILOT MODEL/STAKEHOLDER CONSULTATION

1. CLC data used in the pilot study is over-generalised for the study area
2. Initial study area need to be increased to reflect important influences on NPA from outside
3. Expansion of urban and tourist infrastructures and expansion of irrigated crops is an important dynamic for future scenarios
4. CA model approach adopted (metronamica) is appropriate in this case, even though the most important land use changes are non-urban in origin.

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CONCLUSIONS

Model performs well on basis of cell-by-cell/pattern measures compared with peers

e.g. Diaz Pacheco (Madrid), ongoing research
Wickramasuriya et al (2009)

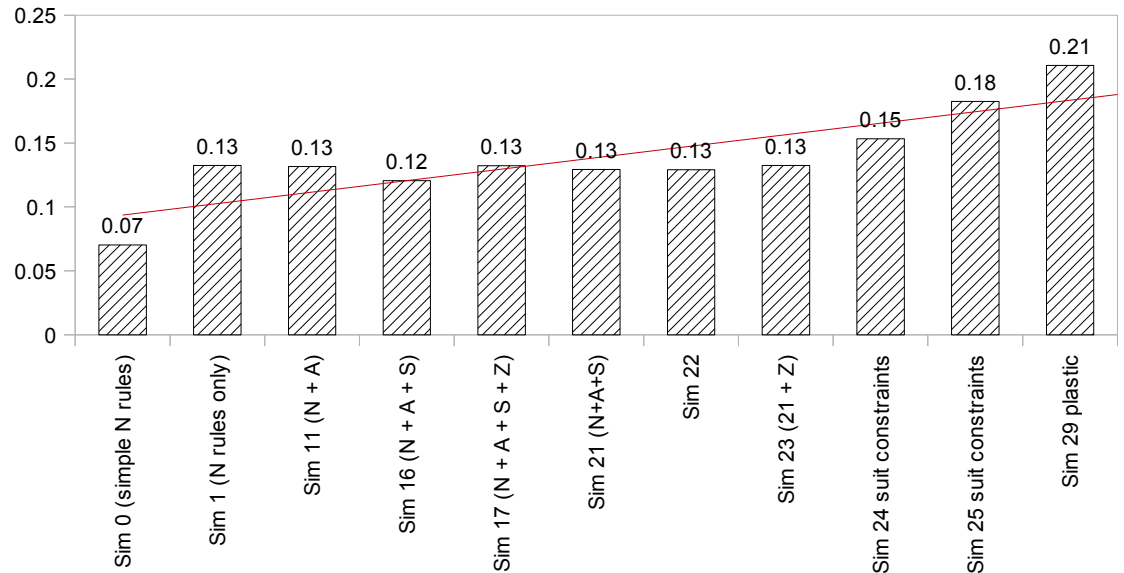
FUTURE WORK

re-calibrate model with larger study area and better LU data (COMPLETE)

validation phase up to third date (ONGOING)

evaluation of model by stakeholders (Dec 11th 2012)

Develop realistic land use scenarios for “ecofutures” (Palomo et al 2011)





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