

We are excited to share a new resource with the GIS community and natural resource managers: historical aerial imagery spanning 17 western states, all available completely free at LandscapeExplorer.org

Seventy years of landscape change at your fingertips

Our Landscape Explorer map application provides a powerful tool to visualize landscape and ecosystem change since the 1950s.

View historical imagery side-byside with modern Google imagery

at our website, or bring the imagery into your own GIS and remote sensing projects to inform conservation across the western U.S.



This project was conceived to support Working Lands for Wildlife conservation initiatives for grassland and shrubland ecosystems. Learn more about our frameworks and biome-level approach to conserving these imperiled systems at WLFW.org.

Our GIS-ready imagery

of the Mississippi River,

including: AZ, CA, CO, ID,

KS, MT, ND, NE, NM, NV,

OK, OR, SD, TX, UT, WA

and WY.

encompasses states west



Use our imagery through

our intuitive website,

download imagery as

GIS-ready tiles, stream

imagery via our WTMS

service, or access via

Google Earth Engine.



Most imagery was collected

simply click on a location to

access in-depth metadata,

by the U.S. Army in the

1950s. In our web-map

including the image

acquisition date.







Easy and free for non-

commercial use. This product provides a baseline that's 40 years earlier than other freely available high-resolution aerial images.

USE THE DATA

Landscape Explorer.org/data

