

Thailand's Current Status of using RS in Detecting Forest Fire

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16 Protected Area
Management Offices

15 Forest
Fire
Coordinating
Centres

4 Forest
Fire
Training
Centres

1 Forest
Fire
Research
Centre

- 64 Provincial
 FFC Stations.
 36 FFC Specific
 Units.
 19 FFC Royal
- 19 FFC RoyalProject.

แสดงพื้นที่เสี่ยงต่อการเกิดไฟป่าในประเทศไทย สัญลักษณ์ มีความเสียงสูง มีความเพียงบ้านกลาง มีความเสียงน้อย รอบเรตรัวหวัด ส่วนควบคุมให่ป่า สำนักป้องกัน ปราบปราม และควบคุมให้ป่า กรมลูทยานแห่งชาติ สัตว์ป่าและ พันธุ์พืช

Fire Risk Map

- High Risk : Dry Diptercarp, Mixed Diciduous,
- Evergreen, Dry Evergreen, Peat
- \$wanRisk :
 Tropical Rain
- Non-Forested Area



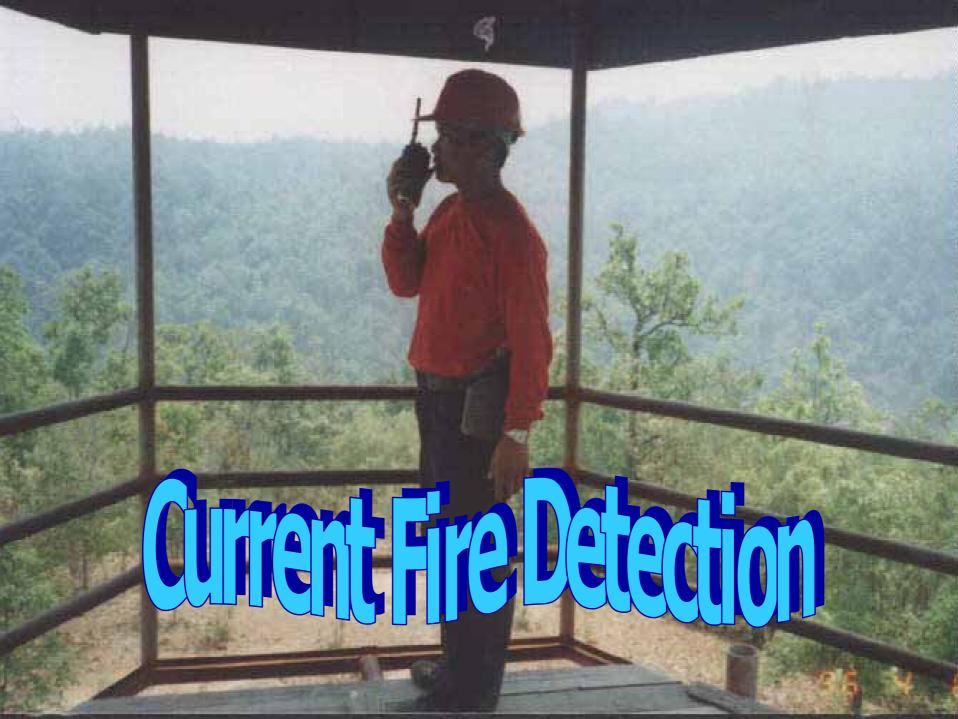


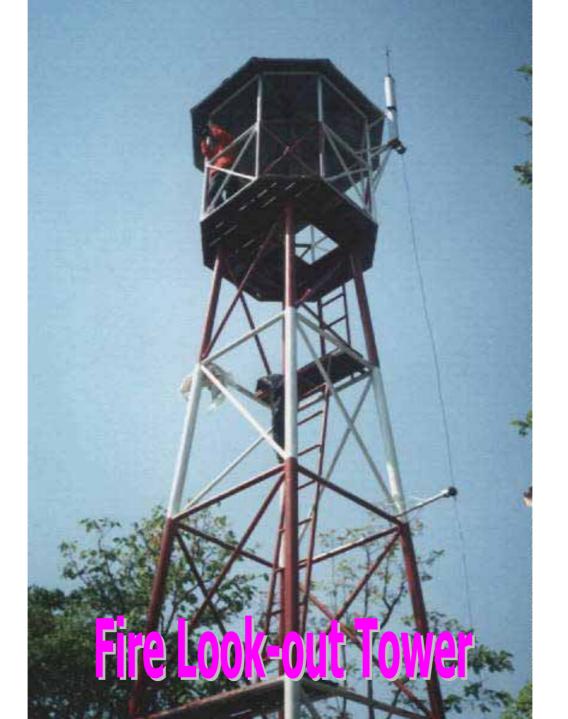




ENSO Episode

Semi-ground fire in Peat Swamp



















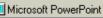
















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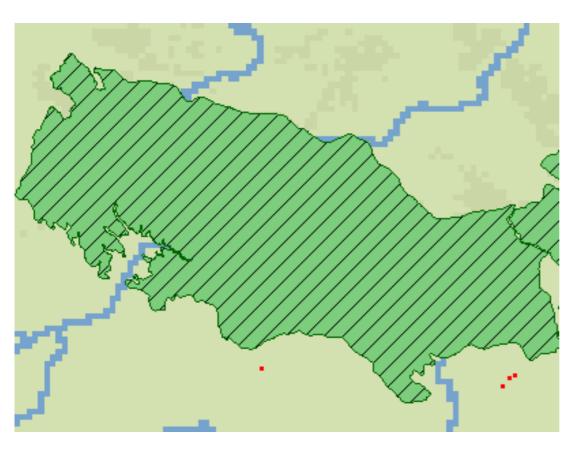
Current use of RS's Hotspots Information

- 1. MODIS from Terra and Aqua provided by the University of Maryland (under the Fire Information for Resource Management System, FIRMS)
- 2. AVHRR from NOAA 12 and 18 provided by ASEAN Specialised Meteorological Centre (ASMC), Singapore

1. MODIS from Terra and Aqua provided by Fire Information for Resource Management System,FIRMS

- The Fire Information for Resource Management System (FIRMS) is operated by the University of Maryland USA and funded by NASA,FAO and builds on <u>Web Fire Mapper</u>, a web mapping interface that displays active fires detected by the <u>MODIS Rapid Response System</u>.
- Thailand has her 192 protected-forest areas in FIRMS system and 'the Alert by Email' tool
- Now putting a request to include Thailand in FIRMS for their next project plan as a country listed under Southeast Asia as 'Web Fire Mapper for Thailand'

Example by MODIS from the Alert by Email

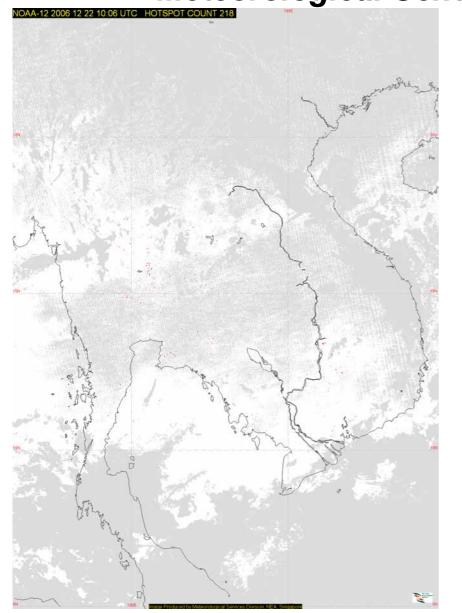


- Your area of interest(Protected Area) : KhaoYai ~(IUCN: II)
- •Over the last 48 hours, a total of 4 active fires were detected in or around your area of interest.
- •It is 48 hours from the Data acquisition to end user.
- •BY MODIS
 Terra and Aqua

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1. (14.1250, 101.834; 2006-12-19); 2. (14.122, 101.827; 2006-12-19); 3. (14.135, 101.480; 2006-12-19); and 4. (14.11, 101.817; 2006-12-2006)

2. NOAA12,18 AVHRR from ASEAN Specialised Meteorological Centre (ASMC), Singapore



hotspots detected in urban and agriculture areas are not screened out resulting in enormous amount of hotspots all over the country with is not represent the real situation.

Need to screened out hotspots from non-forested area and improve detected algorithm suitable for Forests in Thailand.

Task for 2007 Forest Fire Season

- Develop GIS database which can provide details of hotspots' locations such as village names etc.
- In put hotspots information into the system and generate a daily hotspots report to Fire Division.
- After reviewed by Fire Control Division, hotspots information will be sending out to Fire Control stations nationwide for ground check and make validation of the hotspots detection.
- Field reports from Fire Stations will be sent back to Fire Control Division.



What are needed?

- Basic equipment for validation such as GPSs, notebooks, digital cameras, etc.
- Improve detected algorithm suitable for Forests in Thailand.
- Improve faster hotspots information from 48 hours to within 24 hours for daily operation.
- Points of contact for technical questions.
- Visiting other countries to observe their daily operation to improve our daily operation
- Exchange information in different aspects
- Receiving many hotspots information from different sources to compare such as MODIS, AVHRR, DMSP-OLS, MTSAT, etc.
- Becoming a part of MODIS LAND Calibration/Validation team