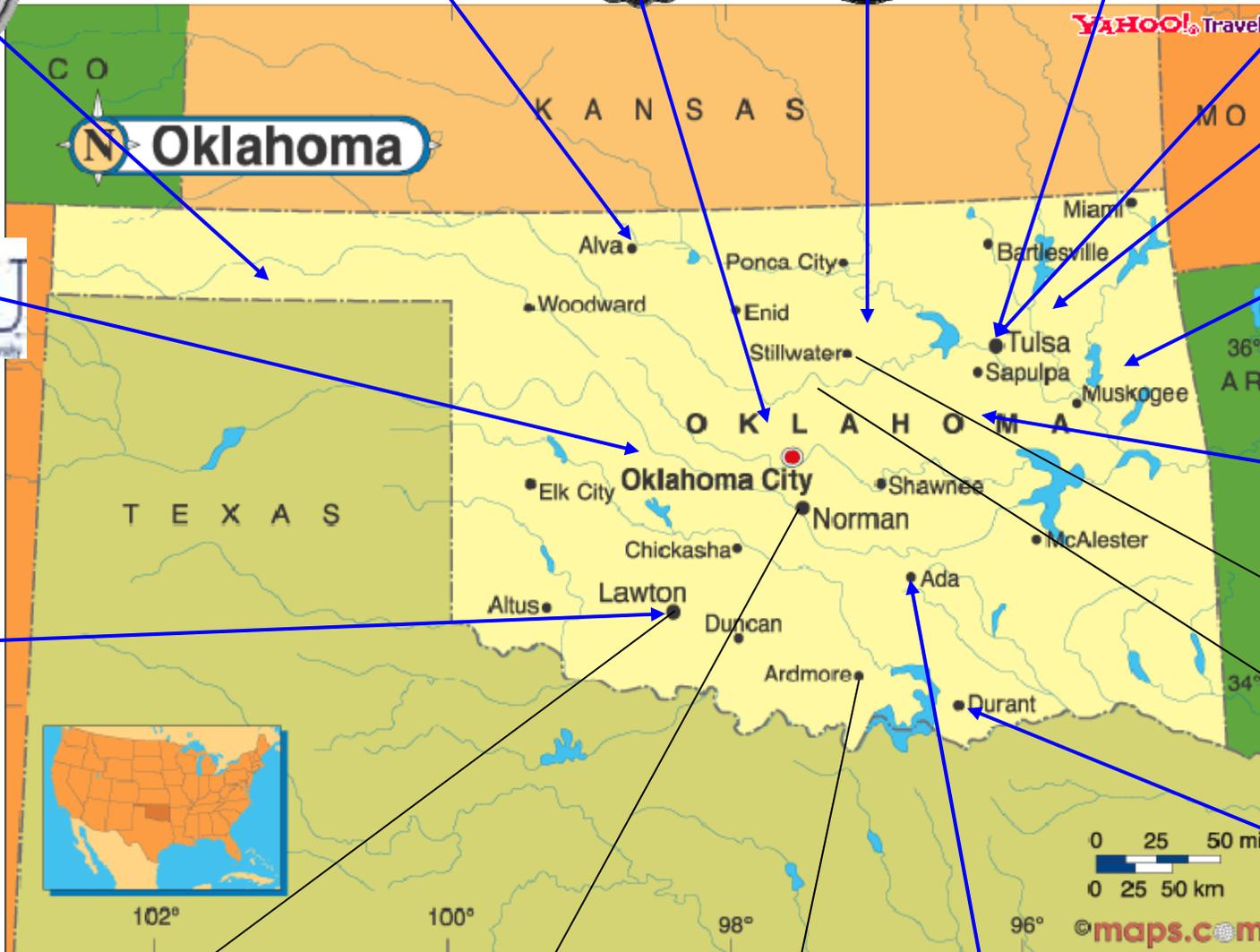


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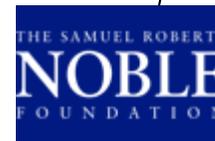
From invasive species

to

symbiotic legumes



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# OKLAHOMA EPSCoR OUTREACH

## POST-SECONDARY STUDENT DEVELOPMENT AND PUBLIC OUTREACH: Y3

### Research Day at the Capitol:

- 21 students from 15 universities statewide
- 22 State legislators visited students
- 52% of student participants were from an underrepresented group
- 52% of students were enrolled in regional universities
- Top 3 presenters were female
- 2 of the top 3 award recipients represented regional colleges



# *OKLAHOMA EPSCoR OUTREACH*

## **HIGHER EDUCATION FACULTY OUTREACH**

### **Strengthening Collaborations & Increasing Participation: Y3**

**New programs developed to strengthen collaborations & participation:**

- **Internet-Supported Monthly Bioenergy Teleconference Series**  
8 teleconferences; 193 student and faculty researchers participating
- **Regional University Small-Projects Award for Bioenergy Research**  
Native American female researcher (regional college)
- **Researcher Listserv & Blogs**

**Existing programs modified to better meet objectives:**

- **Research Opportunity Awards**
- **Grant Writing Workshops**
- **Travel for Researchers**



# OKLAHOMA EPSCoR OUTREACH

## K20-ALT ONLINE CURRICULUM PORTAL K-12 Students & Teachers

### Newly-developed program for Y3

- Scientists providing authentic resources for K-12
- Registered members: Teachers from 46 states and 22 countries
- EPSCoR cellulosic bioenergy curriculum and lesson plans
- Video chats with EPSCoR scientist
- Online video tutorials
- Web support
- Online collaborations



# OKLAHOMA EPSCoR CI PLAN

## OK CYBERINFRASTRUCTURE INITIATIVE

- All academic institutions in Oklahoma are eligible for free use of OU and OSU centrally-owned CI resources (special HPCs)
  - Currently more than 540 users at 15 academic institutions statewide
- Other institutions (government, NGO, commercial) are eligible to participate, though not necessarily for free.
  - Nonacademic users
  - NOAA agencies (NSSL)
  - Oklahoma Medical Research Foundation
  - U.S. Military
- Open participation in CI education initiatives
  - Supercomputing in Plain English
  - Supercomputing overviews and tours
  - SC09-11 (and beyond) workshops at OU and OSU
  - Oklahoma Supercomputing Symposium



# OKLAHOMA EPSCoR EVALUATION

## WHO ARE THE RECIPIENTS OR PARTICIPANTS IN EPSCoR SPONSORED INITIATIVES?

Number of EPSCoR Participants



# cyberCommons

A Project for Ecological Forecasting

# CYBERCOMMONS

## Project Goal

Integrate ecological science and cyberinfrastructure for predicting ecological consequences of climate and land-use/cover changes

- Oklahoma and Kansas EPSCoR collaboration
- University of Oklahoma, University of Kansas, Kansas State University, Oklahoma State University
- NSF 3-year grant, \$6 mi

# TWO SCIENCE QUESTIONS

What are the impacts of changes in land-use/land-cover and climate:

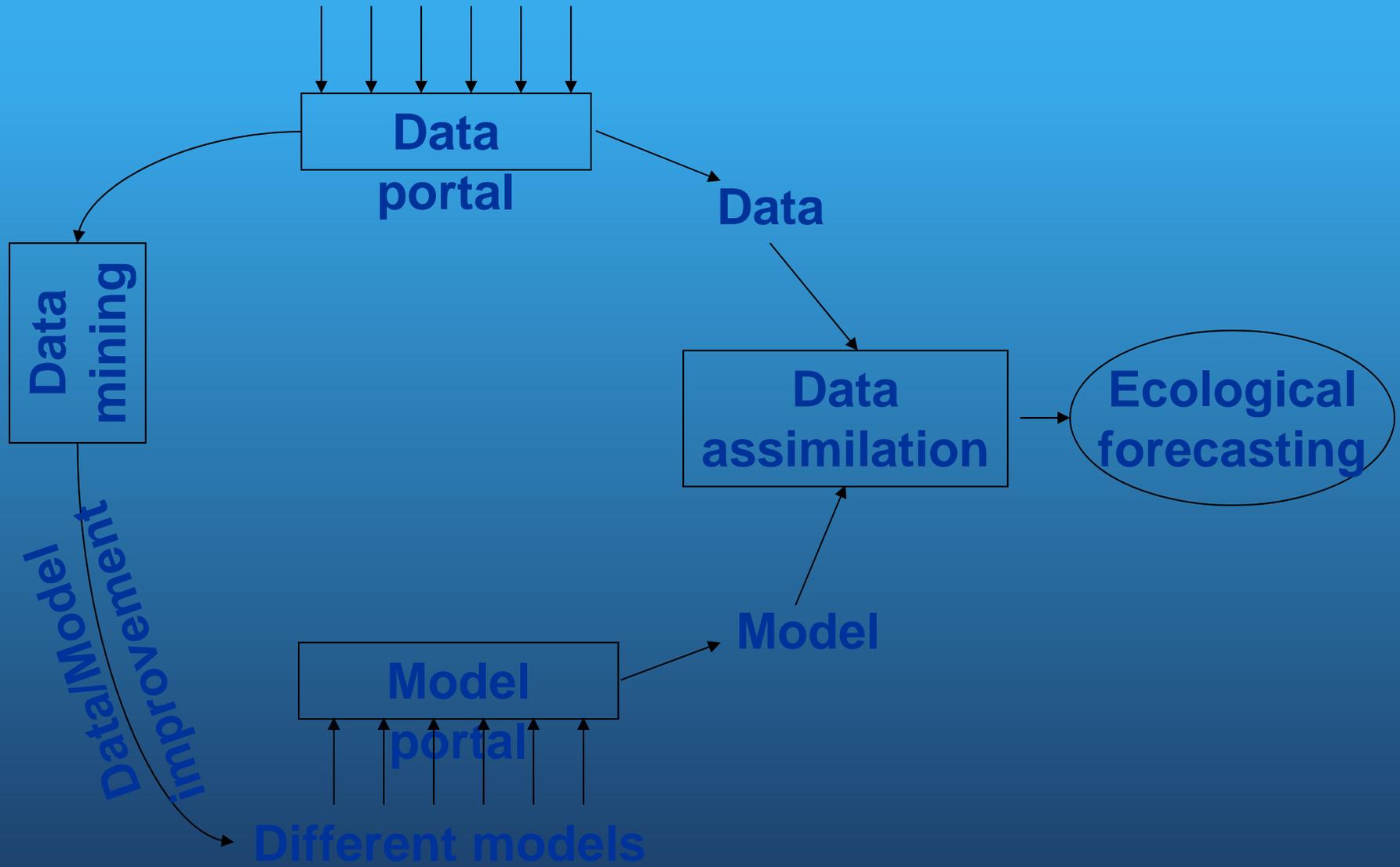
## Question #1

on biogeochemical cycles and ecosystem structure, function and services? What are the feedbacks among these drivers and consequences?

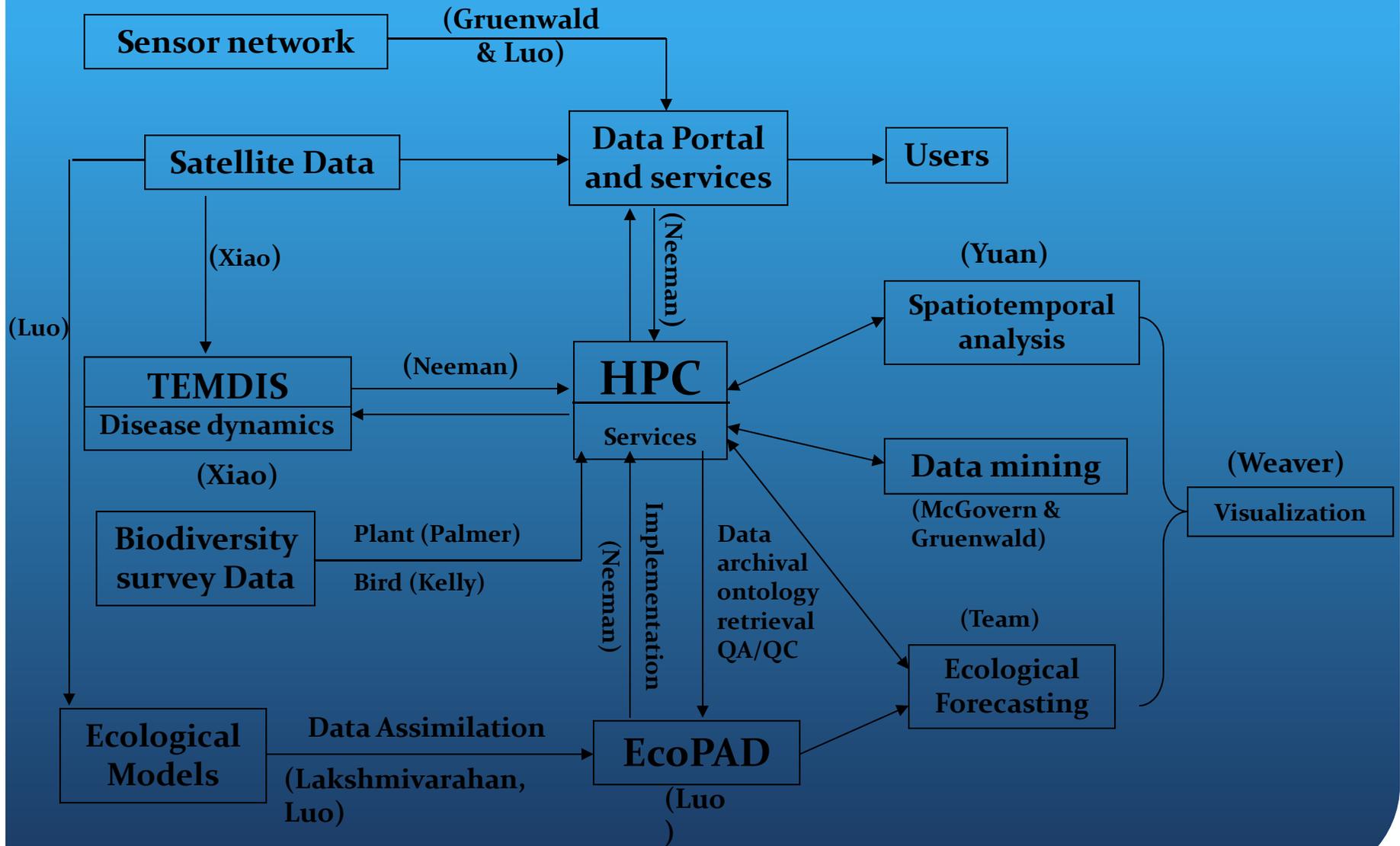
## Question #2

on biodiversity—its pattern, composition and dynamics? How do these changes in biodiversity affect the spread of plant and animal diseases and invasive species, and how do these phenomena influence ecosystem structure, function and services?

# Multiple sources



# CYBERCOMMONS (EARLY VERSION)



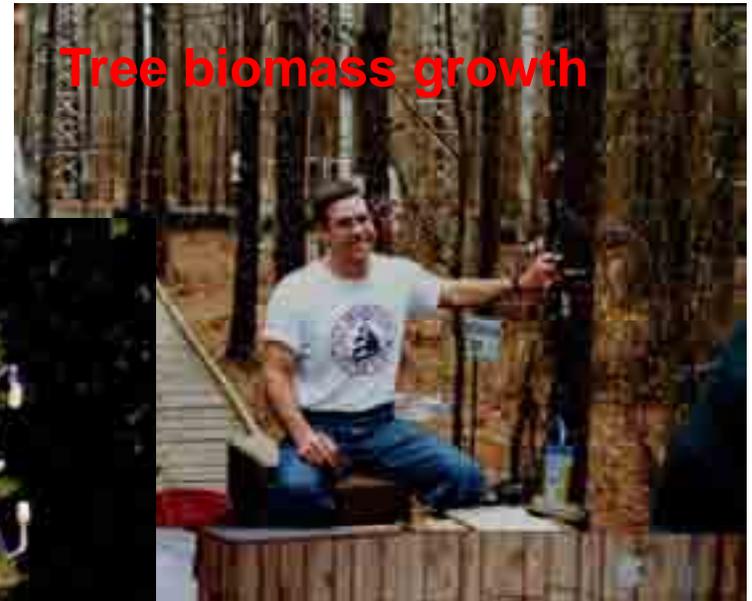




# USES OF MULTIPLE DATA SETS TO IMPROVE MODELS



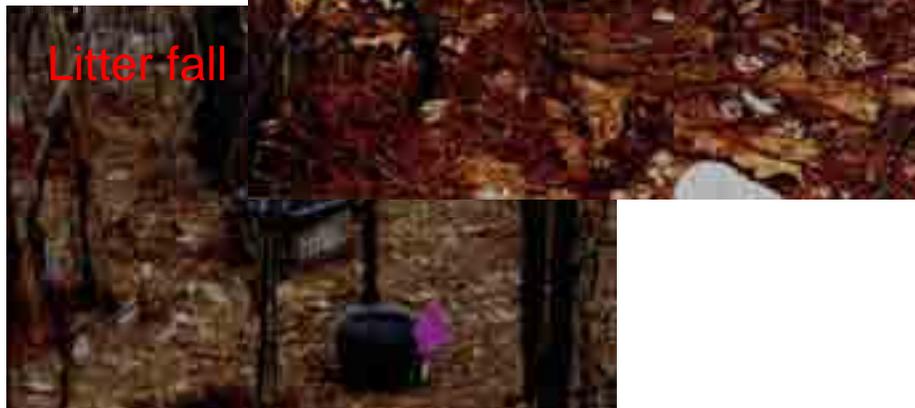
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**Tree biomass growth**



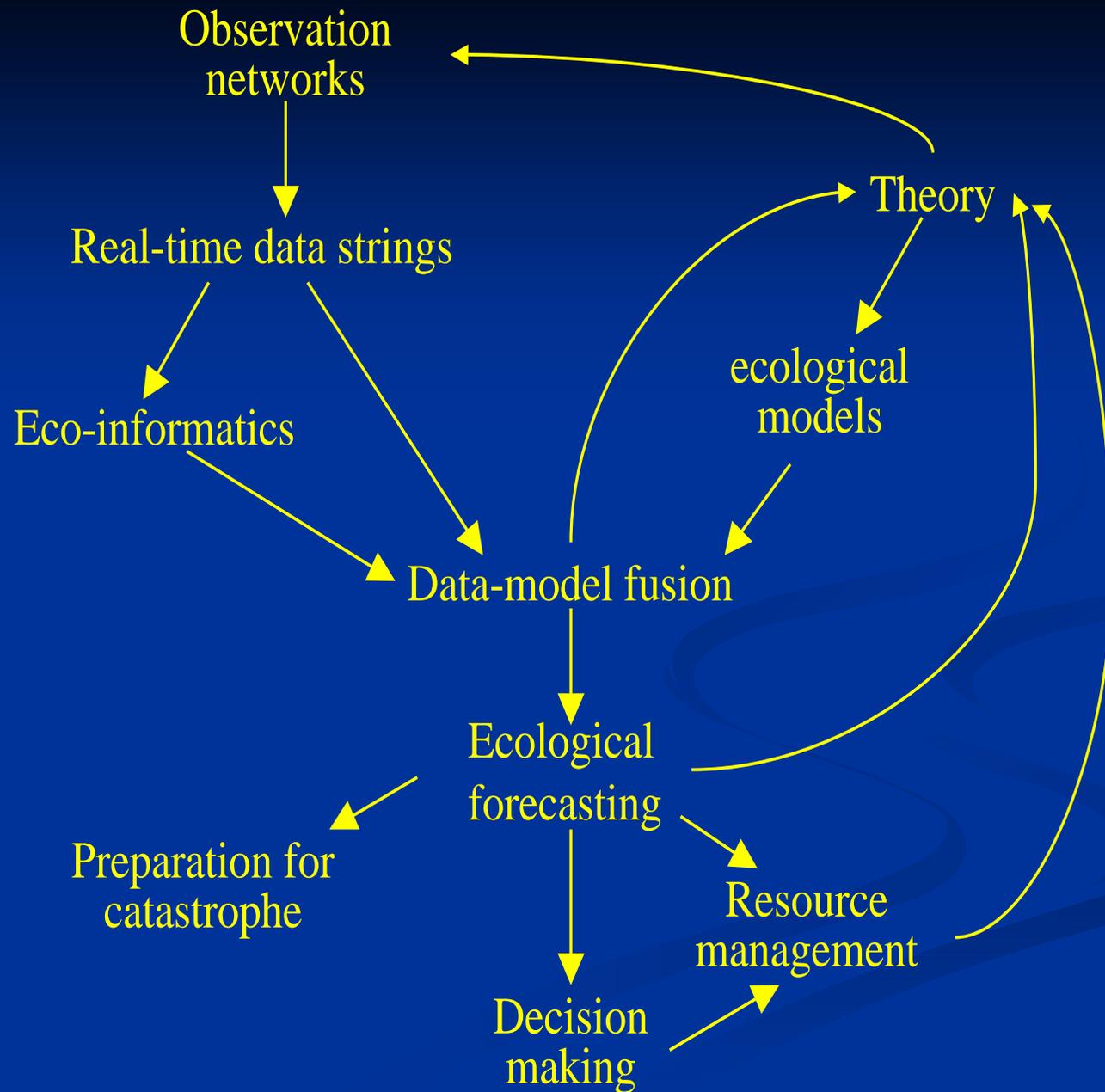
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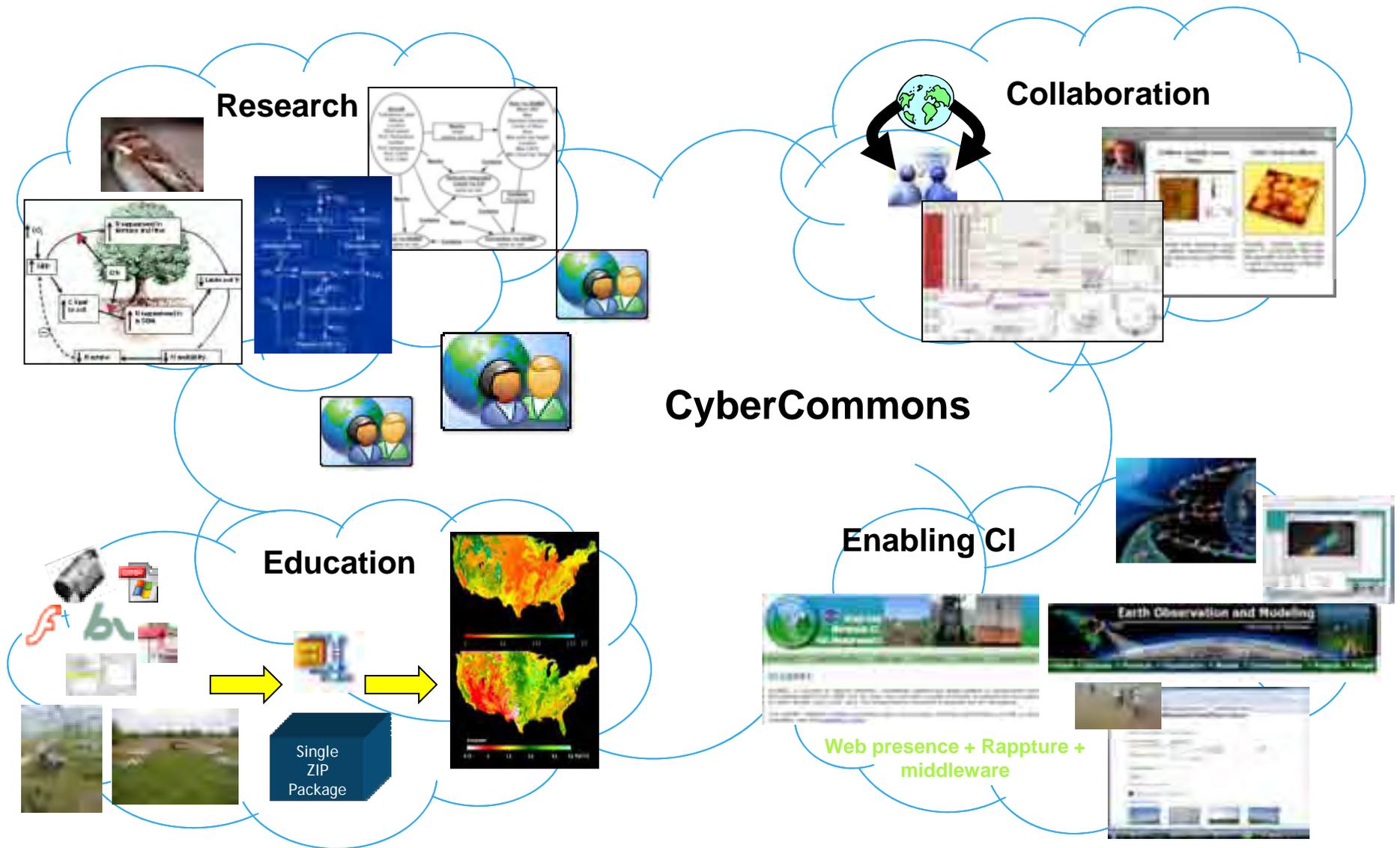
**Litter fall**



**Foliage biomass**



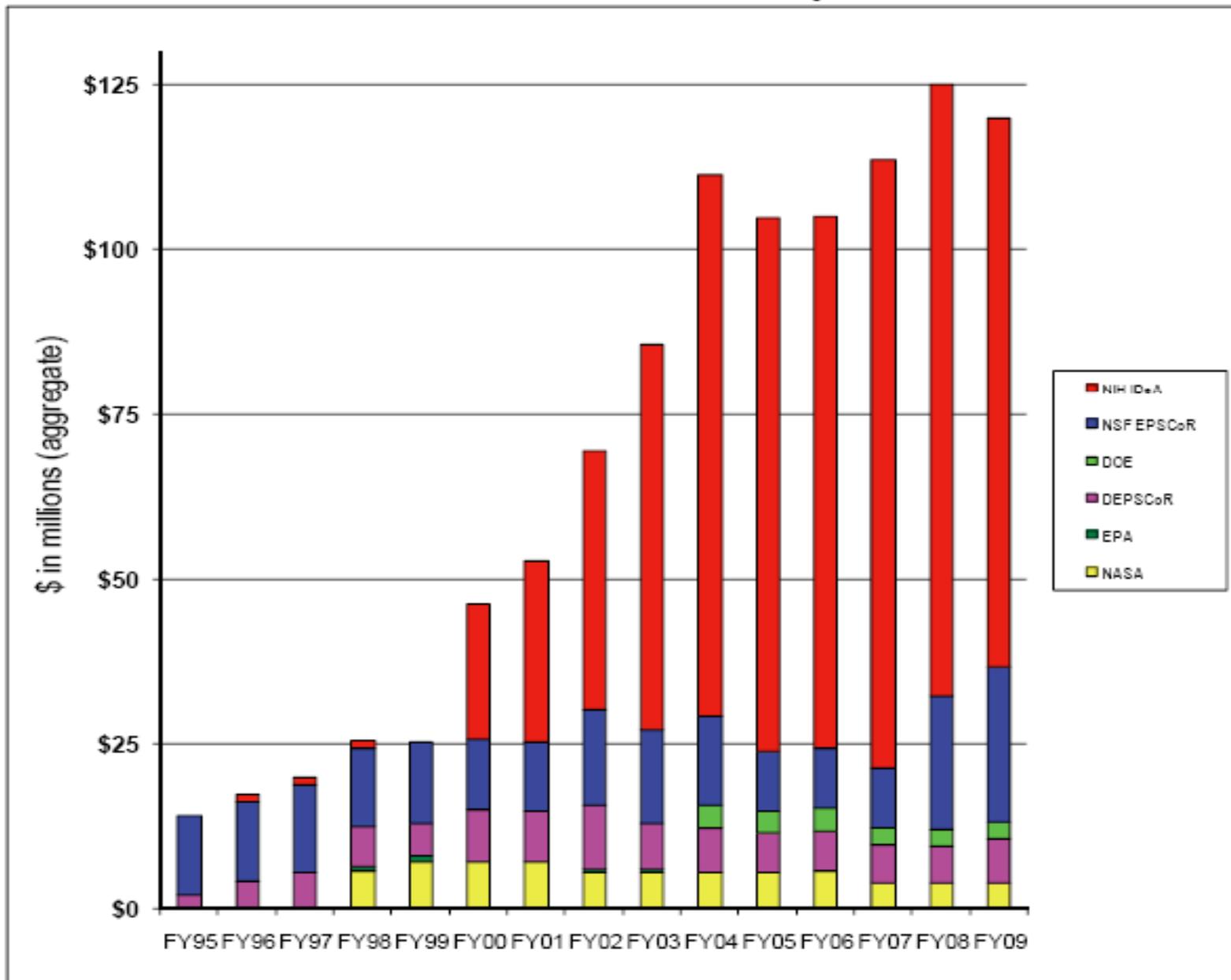
# CYBERCOMMONS CONNECTING THE CLOUDS



# Current Active Oklahoma EPSCoR/IDeA Awards

<b>Program</b>	<b>Award</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Type of Award</b>	
NSF	EPSCoR	\$24.97 million	Research Infrastructure	(3 awards)
NIH	IDeA	\$19.6 million	INBRE	(1 award)
NIH	IDeA	\$63.5 million	COBRE	(6 awards)
DoD	DEPSCoR	\$6.8 million	Applied Research	(9 awards)
DOE	DOE EPSCoR	\$5.4 million	Implementation Grant	(2 awards)
NASA	EPSCoR	\$3.8 million	Research Infrastructure	(3 awards)

### Active Oklahoma Awards by Year



# Today's Economy

- Innovation and technology, >50%, economic growth since WW II (Augustine, 2005, 2008)
- Companies < 5 yrs old produced all net growth in U.S. jobs (EDGE 2010)
- 80% of the new jobs created by our knowledge-driven economy require education at the college level (Glazer, 2009)

# Economic Development: EPSCoR creates key ingredients of innovation

- New knowledge (e.g., research)
- World-class human capital (e.g., education, diversity)
- Infrastructure (e.g., institutions, facilities, and networks)
- Policies (e.g., tax, investment, and intellectual property)

# Education, Innovation and Economic Growth

- 36 jobs are created for every \$1.0 million dollars spent on university-based R&D (Hurley, D. 2008)
- Bachelor's degree created 92% new U.S. start-up firms
  - 50% STEM disciplines (science, technology, engineering, math)
  - 33% business, accounting and finance.
- 45% new businesses in the state where college education
- After five years companies with founders with high school degrees
  - earned <50% average revenues
  - <<employees compared to firms established by business leaders with college degrees (Wadhwa, V., R. Freeman and B. Rissing. 2008)

# America is once again becoming a highly diverse nation of immigrants

- Past decade, Latin America and Asia immigrants contributed 53% of U.S. population growth
- Without immigration the U.S minority population will rise 42% by 2050 (Frey, 2010)
- Minorities now 40% of the millennial generation, students now entering our colleges (Brownstein, 2010)

# Economic power of diversity

1995-2005, skilled immigrant founders

- 26% of U.S. start-up companies
- 50% of all Silicon Valley start-up companies, at least one founder, an immigrant or first-generation American.

(Wadhwa, V., R. Freeman and B. Rissing. 2008)

# Oklahoma

## Cost of living

- Oklahoma City 91 (100)
- Tulsa 89 (100)
  
- Poverty rate 16.4% (13.5%)
- Median household income \$41,644 (46<sup>th</sup>)
- Per capita income \$36,421 (33<sup>rd</sup>)

Oklahoma Employment Security Commission, 2010

# Oklahoma Rankings

National Science Foundation  
Science and Engineering Statistics  
(<http://www.nsf.gov/statistics/>)

January 15, 2010

	#	%
First quartile	0	0
Second quartile	11	21
Third quartile	24	46
Fourth quartile	17	33

# The 2010 State New Economy Index

Ewing Marion Kauffman Foundation  
(26 indicators)

<http://www.itif.org/files/2010-state-new-economy-index.pdf>

Globalization	48
Non-industry R&D investment	48
High tech jobs	44
Industry investment in R&D	44
Venture capital	44
New economy score	42
Scientists and engineers	40
Knowledge jobs	39
Patents	31
Entrepreneurial activity	14
Economic dynamism	17
(Job churning, IPOs, patents, new entrepreneurs starting businesses)	

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S&E doctorates perform well; active high technology sector  
2<sup>nd</sup> Quartile

- S&E doctorates conferred/1000 employed S&E doctorates
- Academic S&E articles/\$1 M in academic R&D
- Academic patents awarded/S&E doctorates
  
- Net high-technology businesses formations/all business establishments

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Too few with degrees

## 4<sup>th</sup> Quartile

- Associate degrees or higher, 25-44 yrs
- Bachelor's degrees or higher, 25-44 yrs
- Employed S&E holders as share of workforce
- Life & physical scientists of workforce (Engineers = 3<sup>rd</sup>)

# EPSCoR and Building Oklahoma's Economy

## Oklahoma Analysis

- More globalization
- More S&E degrees
- More S&E and knowledge jobs
- More industry and non-industry investment
- More venture capital

# An Oklahoma-specific EPSCoR (symbiotic legume)

Targeted actions for EPSCoR projects:

- Included international business partner (10%)
- Supported completion of Professional Science Masters Degree (25%)
- Included two business partners from two different industry sectors (25%)
- Industry investment in applied science component (15%)
- Active participation in state's economic development (15%)
- One venture capitalist advisor (10%)

# cyberCommons Project (symbiotic legume)

Agencies discussed ways project could be helpful

to

cyberCommons to build an information supply chain to  
meet agency information, products and people needs

# Academic - Business - Government

Proposal reviewed by and endorsed by:

- Chair of Senate and House economic development committees
- Chair of State Chamber of Commerce

Products presented in terms valued by:

- Chair of Senate and House economic development committees
- Chair of State Chamber of Commerce

# National EPSCoR Program

- NAS and AAU STEM initiatives
- K-12 National Common Core Standards
- Statewide longitudinal data systems - interventions

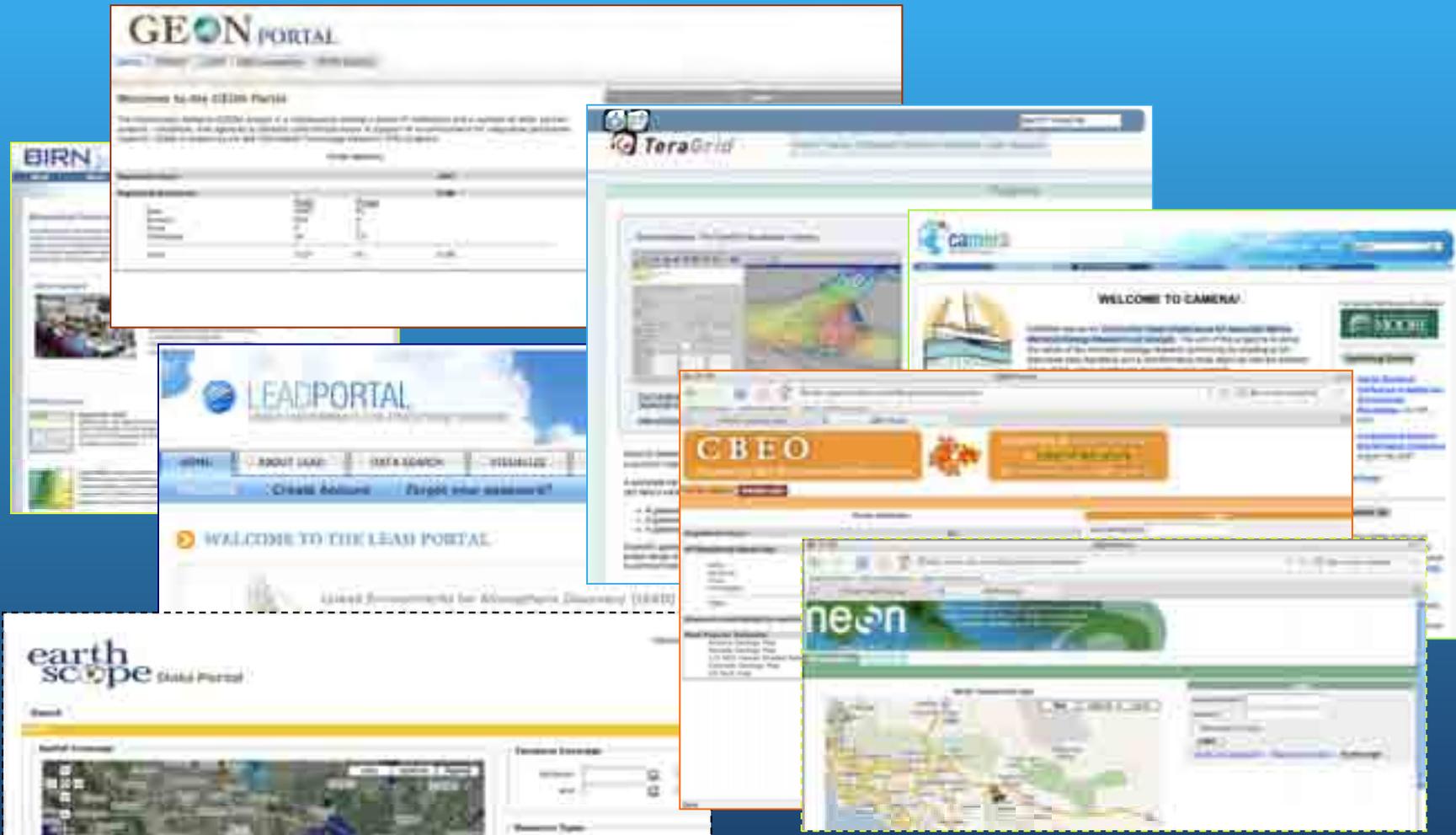
Invasive species to symbiotic legumes...

THANK YOU





# COLLABORATIVE SCIENCE ENVIRONMENTS



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# Percentage attaining baccalaureate degrees

- African Americans 19%
- Hispanics 13%
- Whites 33%
- Asian Americans 52%

Inadequate K-12 preparation, poverty, and  
discrimination (Chronicle, 2010)

# EPSCoR Outreach Programs

- 1,221 K-12 students
- 111 K-12 teachers
- 1,621 university students
- 463 university faculty members
- 59 business and industry representatives
- 91 national and state government staff members
- 50 technology center employees

*(estimated numbers served during last 12 months)*

### Oklahoma EPSCoR Funding History

	NSF EPSCoR RII Awards	New funding generated*
2002-2008	\$15,000,000	\$44,000,000
2008-2011	\$9,000,000	\$29,500,000
Total	\$24,000,000	\$73,500,000

\* does not include funds from the NSF RII awards or State Regents

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