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### **Grassland Reserve**

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Machine learning estimators for the quantity and quality of grass swards used for silage production using drone-based imaging spectrometry and photogrammetry

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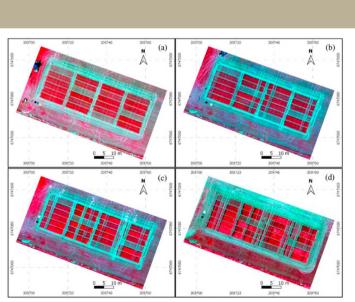
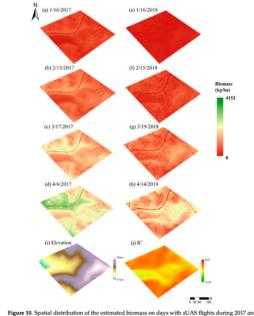


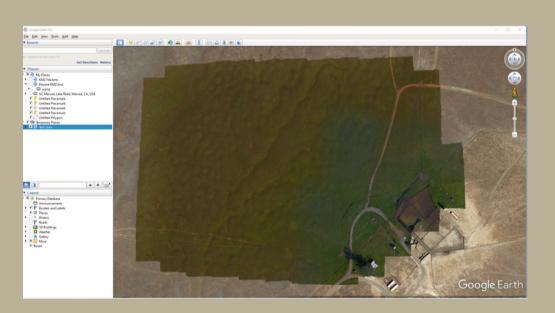
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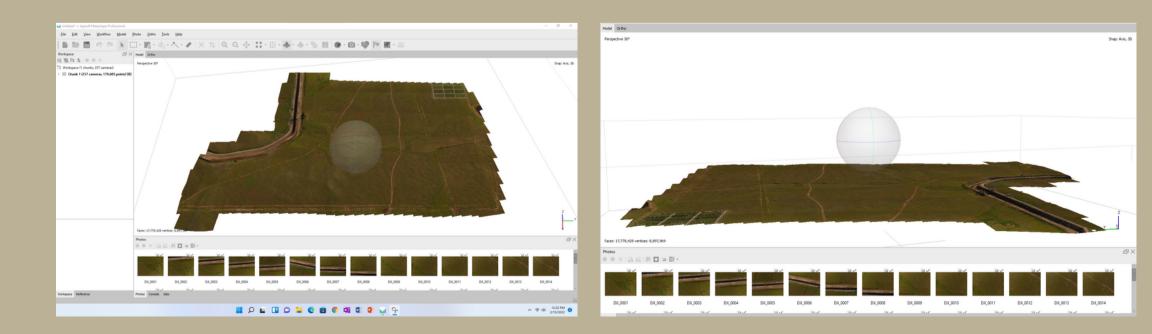
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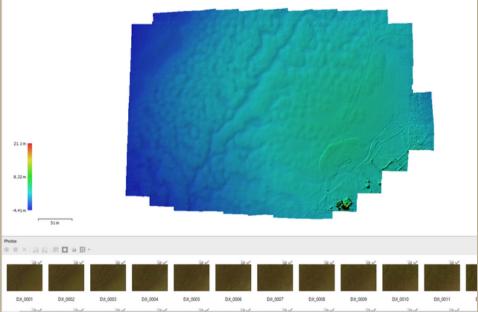
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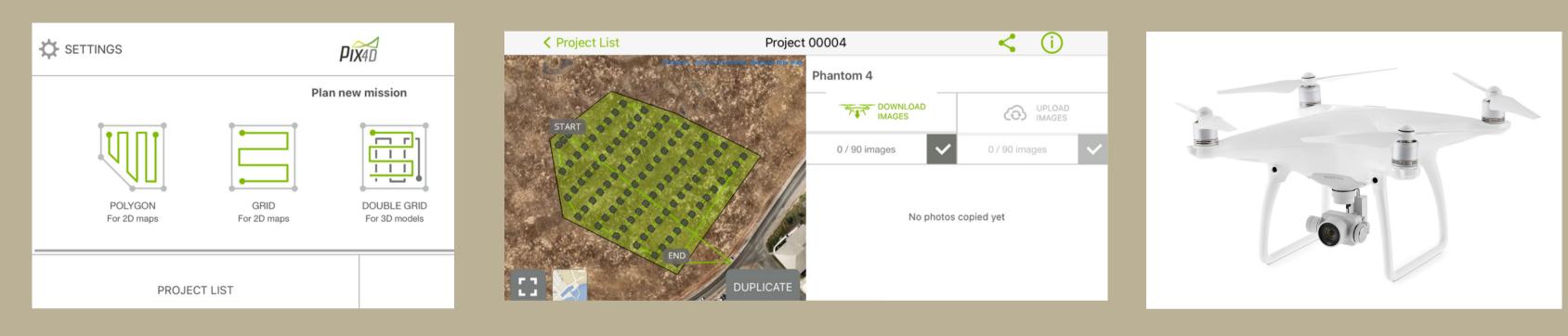


## Results





# **Drone Preparation & Flight**









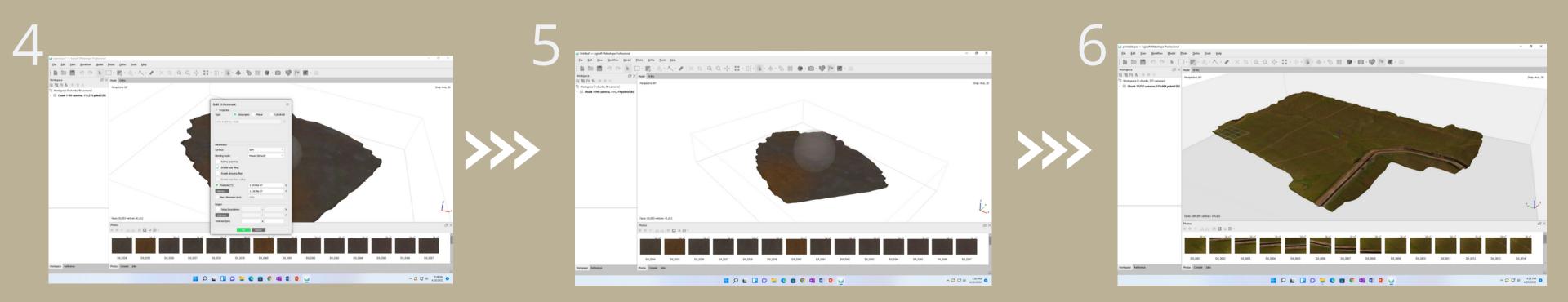






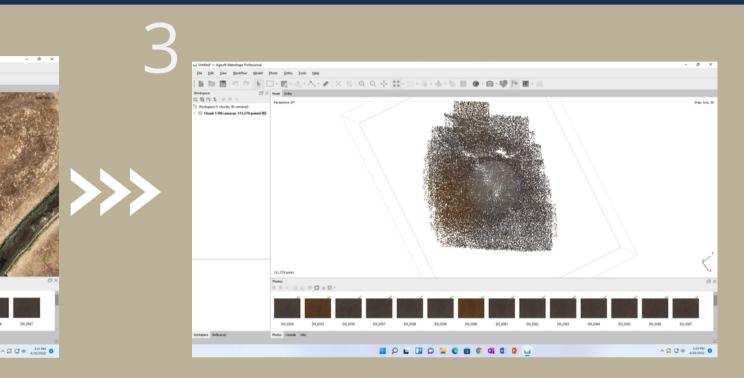
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# Next Steps

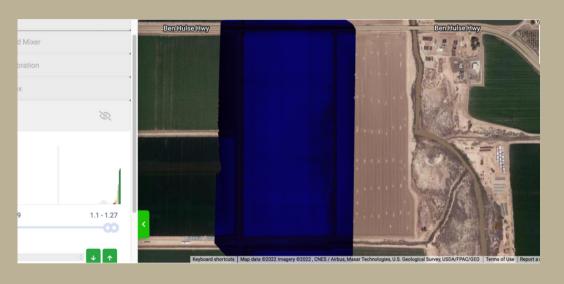
## Multi-spectral Surveying Camera





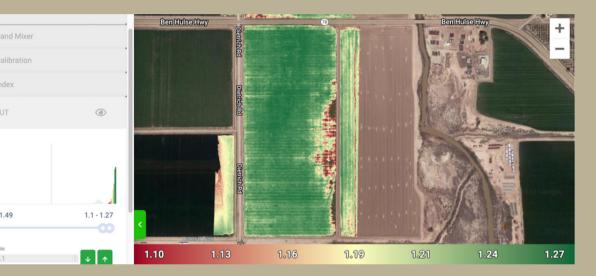


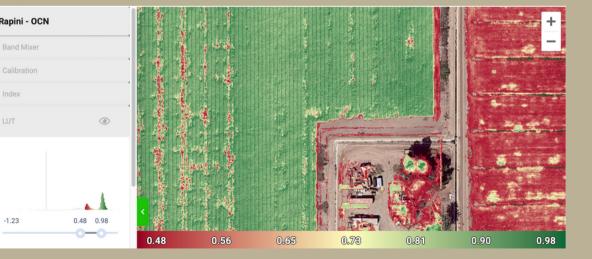
## Images from the MAPIR Camera











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