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A Software-Defined Sensor Network  
Cyberinfrastructure for AI@Edge Computing

## AI at the Edge

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# Sage: An AI@Edge Research Infrastructure

AI@Edge	Methodology	Sites
Motion Detector (V)	Background subtraction and Dense Optical Flow [C]	U
Motion Analysis (V)	Random Decision Forest [C]	G, N
Smoke and Fire Detection (I)	SmokeyNet DNN [F]	N, R
Solar Irradiance (I)	pvlb [D]	U, G, O
Cloud Cover (I)	U-Net [P]	G, H, N, O, T, U
Cloud Motion (V)	Phase Correlation [C]	G, H, N, O, T, U
Weather Classification (I)	Gradient Boosting Tree [X]	M
Traffic State (V)	YOLO V7 and Sort [P]	U
Object Counter (I)	YOLO V7 [P]	G, H, N, O, T, U
Water Depth Estimation (I)	U-Net [P]	N
Surface Water Detection (V)	DeepLab v2 and ResNet 101 [P]	G
Surface Water Classification (I)	ResNet50 [P]	U
Avian Diversity (A)	BirdNET DNN ResNet [F]	G, H, N, O, T, U
Sound Event (A)	VGG based YAMNet DNN [F]	G, H, N, O, T, U

Framework: [D]=Pandas, [K]=Keras, [C]=OpenCV, [P]=PyTorch, [F]=TensorFlow, [X]=XGBoost  
 Sites: M=ARM, G=GLIFWC, H=HPWREN, N=NEON, O=OHAZ, R=Rural, T=TNC, U=Urban  
 Data:(I)=Image, (A)=Audio, (V)=Video

## New kind of National AI Cyberinfrastructure

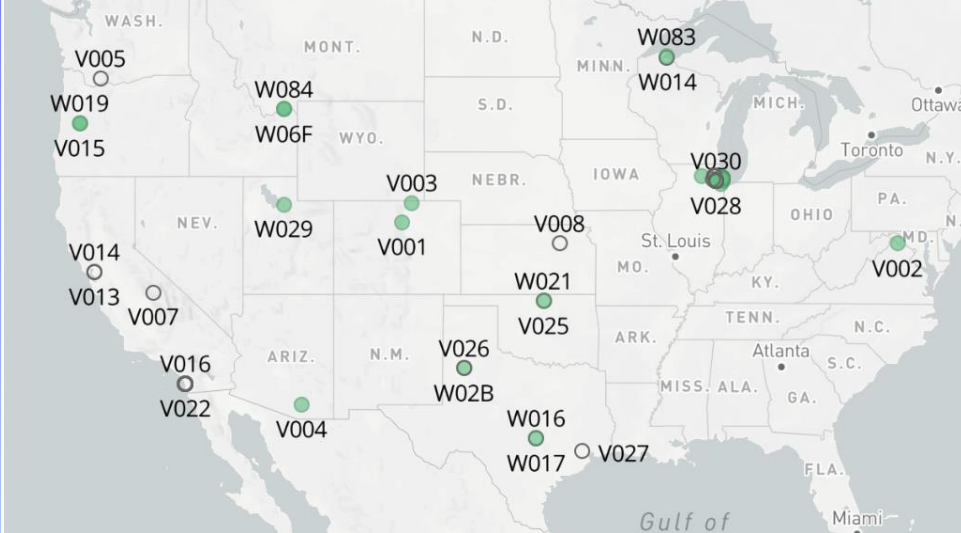
- \* High-quality, resilient, well-documented software
- \* Supports PyTorch, OpenCV, TensorFlow, Kubernetes, Docker, etc.

Put AI@Edge

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Analyse full resolution data,  
find highest value data for  
the science

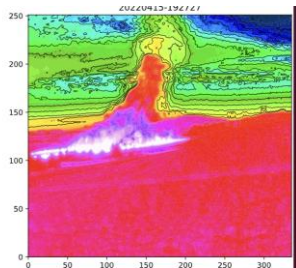
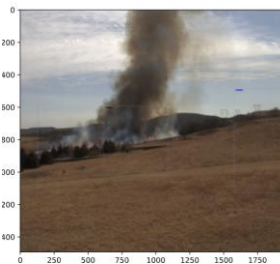
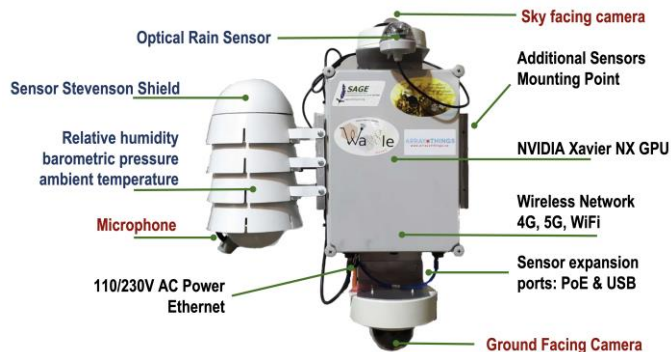


A screenshot of the Jstage web application interface. The top navigation bar includes "Nodes", "App Catalog", "Job Status", and "Data". A search bar is located below the navigation. The main content area is titled "Featured Apps" and displays a grid of application cards. Each card includes an icon, the app name, a brief description, and metadata such as the number of tags and the last update date. The featured apps include: cloud-motion (Cloud Motion Estimator), water-depth-estimator (Water Depth Estimator), motion-detector (A general purpose motion detection system), solar-irradiance (Solar Irradiance Estimator Using U-Net), traffic-state (Traffic State Estimator), object-counter (Object Counter), surface-water-classifier (Surface Water Classifier), wildfire-smoke-detection (Wildfire Smoke Detection), surface-water-detection (Surface Water Detection), avian-diversity-monitoring (Records environmental sounds, identifies birds by such sounds and...), weather-classification (An app for identifying cloud or rain coverage from the AIRM Doppler), and sound-event-detection (Sound event detection (SED) plugin, using YAMNet audio classificati...).



# NEON Mobile Deployment Platform (MPD) with Sage Konza Prairie for controlled burn: April 2022.

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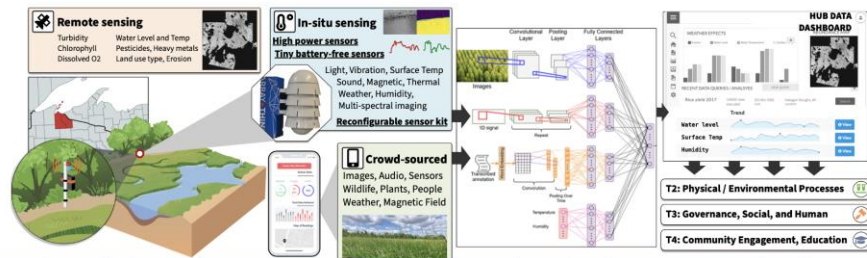
# NSF Coastlines and People

**Strengthening Resilience of Manoomin, the Sentinel Species of the Great Lakes, with Data-Science Supported Seventh Generation Stewardship**  
**PI: Josiah Hester**



## Building Cyber-infrastructure

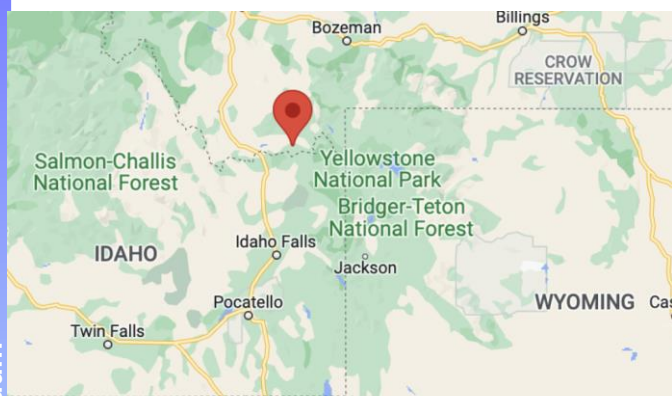
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**Integrating multiple data sources to enable understanding.**



**Jonathan Gilbert**, Biological Services Director, Great Lakes Indian Fish & Wildlife Commission (GLIFWC)



# Wild Sage Node Deployment: University of Utah's Taft-Nicholson Center in Montana

Motivated by the success of the Konza burn, we are deploying more Sage towers.

**Sensors:** Sage node with cameras, microphone, TPH, precipitation, dust and thermal camera.



# Questions?

## Join us!

- **Participate in next Hackathon**
- **Deploy nodes, write AI@Edge code**
- **Develop AI algorithms @ Edge!**

Getting started with Sage! - <https://docs.sagecontinuum.org>

Sage AI@Edge Apps - <https://portal.sagecontinuum.org/apps/explore>

Sage Data - <https://portal.sagecontinuum.org/data>

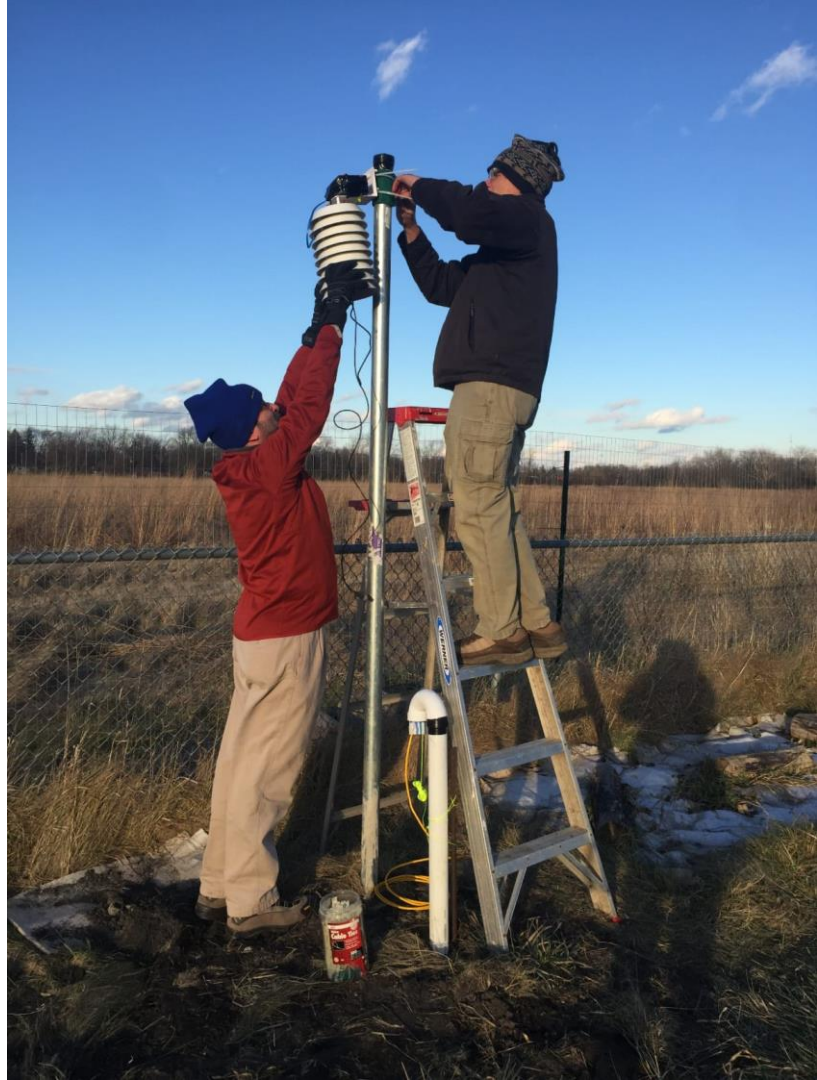
Sage Konza MDP Campaign - <https://mdp.sagecontinuum.org>

Overall Sage system status - <https://admin.sagecontinuum.org/status>

Waggle Github - <https://github.com/waggle-sensor>

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Professors Aaron Packman and William Miller, Northwestern University  
Gensburg-Markham Prairie, The Nature Conservancy  
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# Backup Slide



# AI Science for Students...

- Measuring river depth against graduated marker
- Auto-steering of PTZ cameras based on local AI
- Measuring snow depth against graduated marker
- Measuring vegetative states, growth rates
- Self-supervised learning: IR, LiDAR, audio, and RGB
- Vehicle types and flow speeds
- Quantify flower blooming (color, count)
- Outlying conditions from previous sensor data
- Calculating biodiversity based on audio
- Measuring surface water coverage
- Measuring lightning via RF (software defined radios)
- Measuring visibility across a field
- Measuring rime ice thickness
- Measuring ice coverage on a large body of water
- Measuring water flow speed
- Classifying wildlife behaviors
- Improved wildfire detection algorithms
- Wildlife tracking in open fields (speed, direction, count)
- Ultrasonic bat detection
- Measuring pedestrian movement dynamics
- Measuring land changes (riverbeds, plant coverage)
- Measuring water turbidity, debris movement, floating waste
- Measuring vehicle dynamics: identification of sliding, crashes, mishaps
- Measuring bike usage, bike lane dynamics
- Identifying urban "near misses"
- Measuring bird flocks and dynamics