

Willamette River “Dry Run”

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Goals and objectives

Primary science objectives:

1. Demonstrate and compare CalVal techniques with international collaborators using co-located data
2. Perform a complete Tier 1 CalVal campaign
 - Pre-trip logistics, field data collection, upload/process, comparison to simulated SWOT data, QA/QC
 - Evaluate issues, bottlenecks

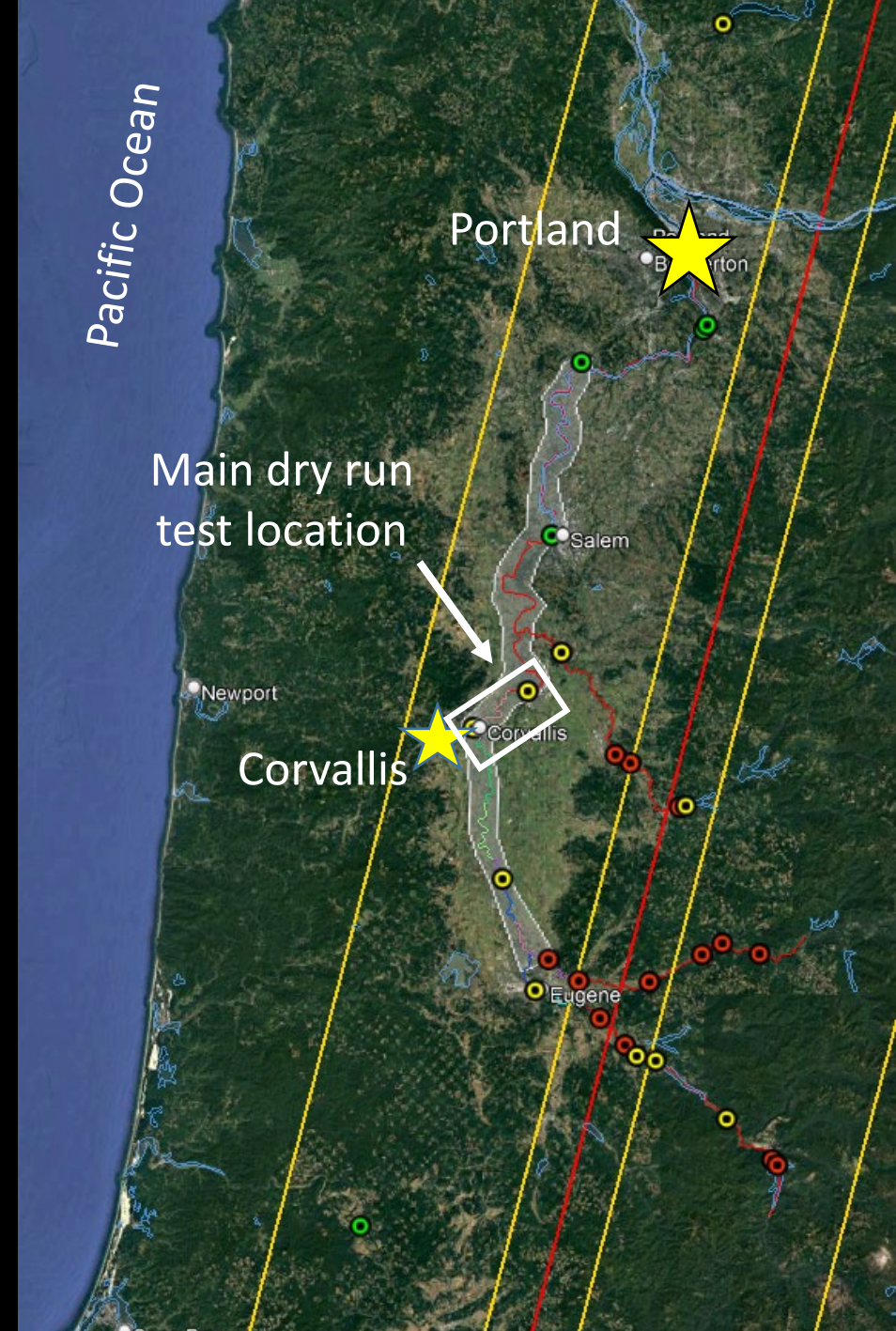


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Willamette River Tier 1 CalVal site, Oregon

- Under 1-day Fast Sampling orbit
- Well constrained by gages
- 'Regulated'
- Main test location for dry run activities is near Corvallis
 - 2 SWORD reaches
 - 20 km



Personnel

Inland Hydro CalVal Teams:

- US Team (Pavelsky, Rowley, Smith, Gleason, Minear, Wang, Munoz)
- US Collaborators: UofO (Fonstad, Cooley, Levenson)
- French Team (Berge-Nguyen, Papa, Calzas, Poisson)
- Canadian Team (Garner)
- Brazilian Team (Moreira)
- New Zealand Team (Brasington)

- JPL media team



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CalVal field methods to be tested

US field CalVal methods:

- Pressure transducer installs: in water (11); baro (2)
- GNSS WSE long profiles (1-2 / day)
- ADCP bathymetry and velocity (12+ cross sections)
- Tier 2 WSE (1+)
- Shoreline walks (1-2 total)

French field CalVal methods:

- Vortex drone-based WSE (1 profile/ day in test reach)
- Cyclopee (1 / day in test reach)
- Pleiades NIR imagery (2-3 days)

Canadian field CalVal methods:

- GNSS Drifter
- RTK GNSS

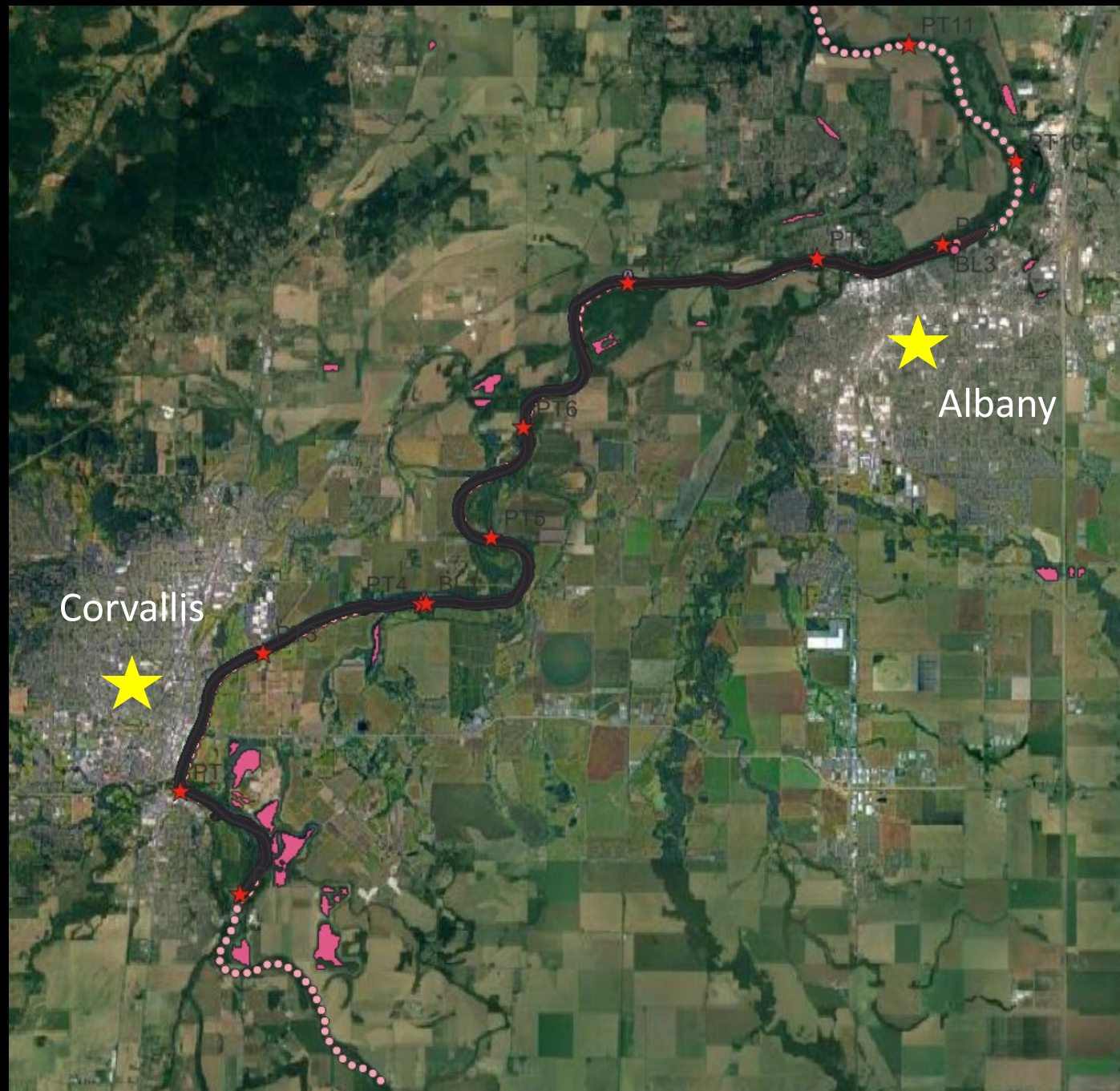


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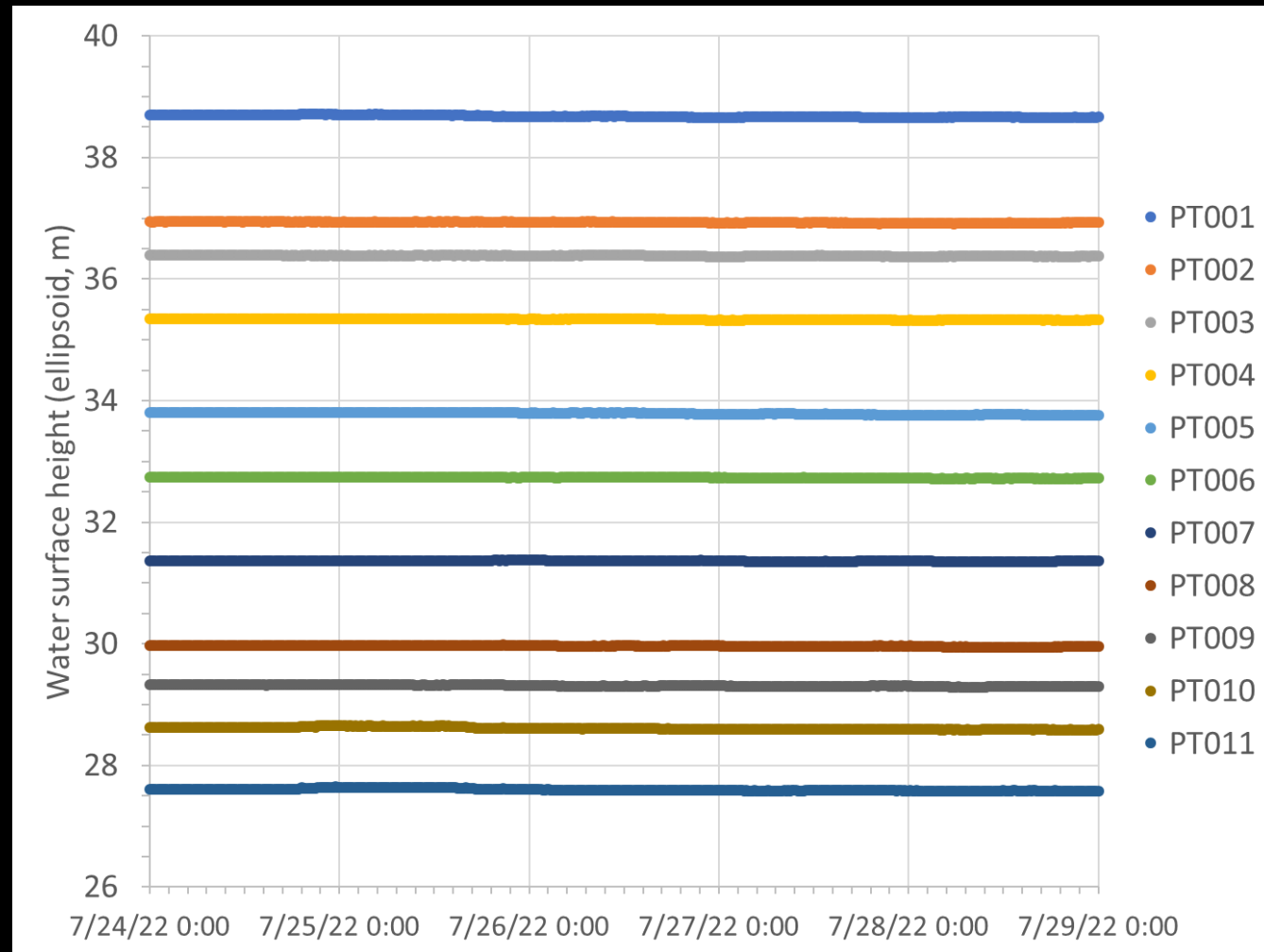


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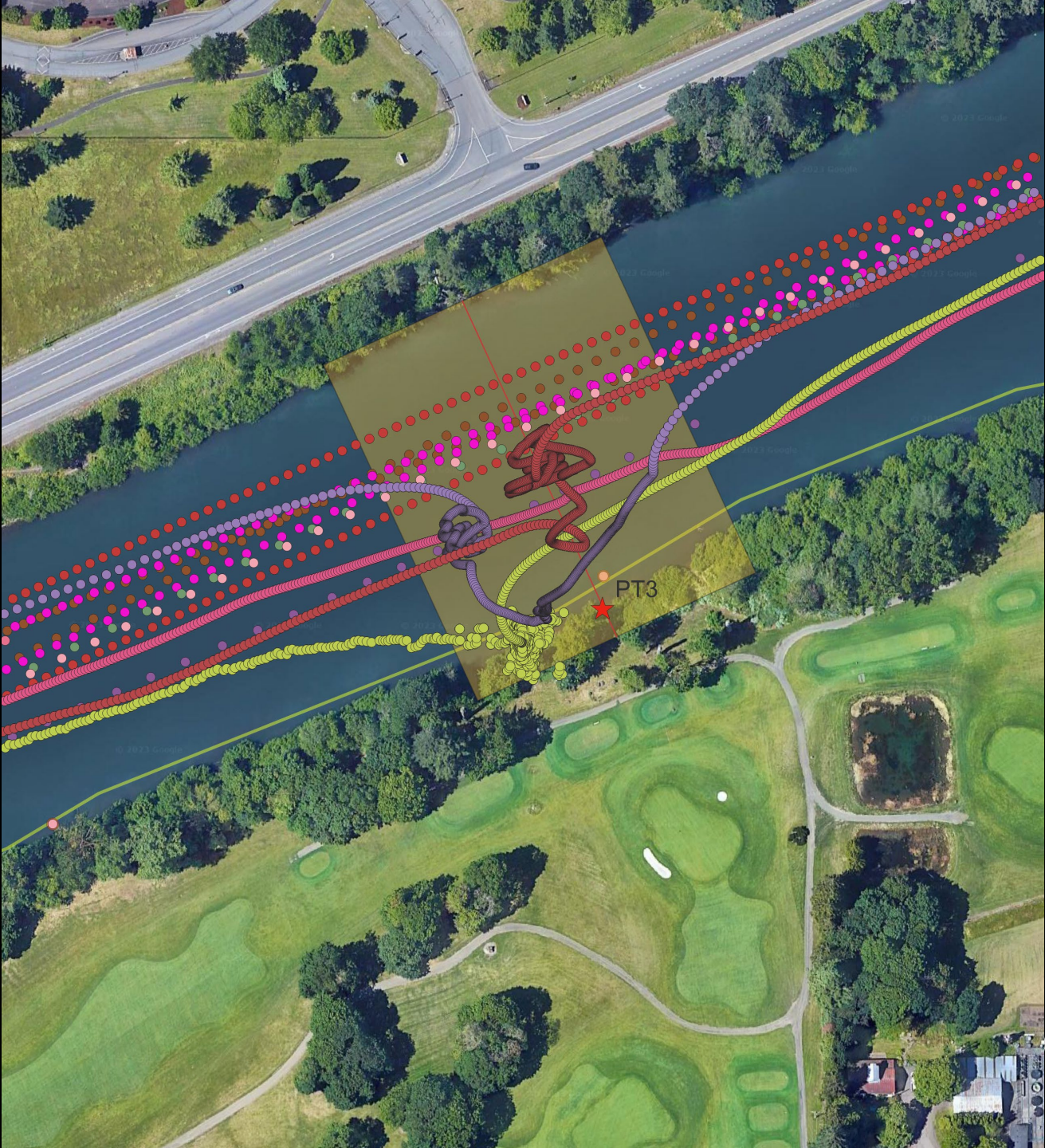
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Comparison

- Comparing the longitudinal profiles to the pressure transducers
 - Pressure transducer ellipsoid height (m) minus profile ellipsoid height (m)
 - Mean (m) (standard deviation, m)

| | 7/25/2022 | 7/26/2022 | 7/27/2022 |
|--------------|--------------|---------------|--------------|
| US GNSS 1 | | 0.012(0.101) | 0.022(0.011) |
| US GNSS 2 | | -0.007(0.032) | |
| Cyclopee | 0.200(0.089) | 0.219(0.124) | 0.214(0.091) |
| Vortex drone | 0.042(0.076) | 0.138(0.093) | 0.108(0.100) |

- Fairly large discrepancies between the three techniques with US - Cyclopee differences being largest (~0.2m)
- These results should be further investigated and by the other teams
 - Possibly processing others GNSS data through different pipeline

Many thanks to everyone who helped make the Willamette dry run happen



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