

APPENDIX

Table A1. Table describing the descriptive (explanatory, independent) variables

Environmental Variables	Brief Description	Pixel Resolution
<i>ThorPot07</i>	Radiometric Data – Ratio of the radioelement count of Thorium and the radioelement count of Potassium. Sourced from Various Australian State Agencies	50 m resampled to 30 m
<i>ThorInvPot07</i>	Radiometric Data – Ratio of the inverse radioelement count of Thorium and the radioelement count of Potassium. Sourced from Various Australian State Agencies	50 m resampled to 30 m
<i>B1_89_05</i>	Band 1 (Blue-green reflectance 0.45-0.52 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM Median value years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>B2_89_05</i>	Band 2 (Green reflectance 0.52-0.60 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM Median value years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>B3_89_05</i>	Band 3 (Red reflectance 0.63-0.69 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM Median value years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>B4_89_05</i>	Band 4 (Near-infrared reflectance 0.76-0.90 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM Median value years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>B5_89_05</i>	Band 5 (Mid-infrared reflectance 1.55-1.75 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM Median value years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>B7_89_05</i>	Band 7 (Mid-infrared reflectance 2.08-2.35 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM Median value years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>Ndvi_89_05</i>	Mean Normalised Difference Vegetation Index derived from LANDSAT 7 TM of years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>Ndwi_89_05_Mean</i>	Mean Normalised Difference Wetness Index derived from LANDSAT 7 TM of years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>Ndwi_89_05_StdError</i>	Standard Error of Normalised Difference Wetness Index derived from LANDSAT 7 TM of years 1989 – 2005	30 m
<i>B3_98_05_10ha_Mean</i>	Mean value across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 3 (Blue-green reflectance 0.45-0.52 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B4_98_05_10ha_Mean</i>	Mean value across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 4 (Near-infrared reflectance 0.76-0.90 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B5_98_05_10ha_Mean</i>	Mean value across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 5 (Mid-infrared reflectance 1.55-1.75 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B6_98_05_10ha_Mean</i>	Mean value across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 7 (Mid-infrared reflectance 2.08-2.35 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>Nvdi_98_05_10haMean</i>	Mean Normalised Difference Vegetation Index derived from LANDSAT 7 TM of years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B3_98_05_10ha_StdDev</i>	Standard Deviation across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 3 (Blue-green reflectance 0.45-0.52 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B4_98_05_10ha_StdDev</i>	Standard Deviation across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 4 (Near-infrared reflectance 0.76-0.90 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B5_98_05_10ha_StdDev</i>	Standard Deviation across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 5 (Mid-infrared reflectance 1.55-1.75 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>B6_98_05_10ha_StdDev</i>	Standard Deviation across a 10 hectare neighbourhood of cells calculated from the surface - Mean value for Band 7 (Mid-infrared reflectance 2.08-2.35 micrometers) Landsat 7 TM years 1998 – 2005	30 m
<i>RoadDensity5K</i>	Density of Roads in a 5 kilometre radius - line count	30 m
<i>TempRange</i>	Annual range in temperature (°C) between minimum temperature of coldest period of the year and the maximum temperature of the warmest period of the year. Developed using ANUCLIM (Houlder et al. 2000)	100m resampled to 30m
<i>MaxTempWarmestP</i>	The highest temperature (°C) of any weekly maximum temperature.	100m resampled to 30m

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<i>AnnualRain</i>	Mean Annual Rainfall Surface (mm) developed using ANUCLIM (Houlder et al. 2000)	100m resampled to 30m
<i>NetRainfall</i>	Mean Annual Rainfall (mm) (from ANUCLIM model) less Mean Annual Evaporation (mm) (from ANUCLIM model)	100m resampled to 30m
<i>NetRainfallStdev</i>	The Standard Deviation of Monthly Net Mean Rainfall (Monthly Net mean Rainfall is the mean Monthly Rainfall (mm) less the Mean Monthly Evaporation). Monthly means were developed using ANUCLIM (Houlder et al. 2000)	100m resampled to 30m
<i>TWix1000</i>	Topographic Wetness Index a compound terrain attribute (<i>sensu</i> Bevan and Kirby 1979) implemented using the Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) Digital Elevation Model and TOPOCROP Version 2.1 (Schmidt 2002)	100m resampled to 30m
<i>Rad_Direct</i>	Direct Solar Radiation (Watts m ² per year). Derived from Shuttle Radar Topography Mission (SRTM) Digital Elevation Model using The Solar Analyst 1.0 (Fu and Rich 2000)	100m resampled to 30m
<i>LandCover</i>	Categorical variable 10 Landcover classes derived from K-means clustering of median satellite imagery captured between 1989 and 2005	30 m
<i>NativeTreeProb</i>	An Artificial Neural Network Model of the probability of a lack of tree cover for Victoria trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>TreeProb1Ha_RegionMean</i>	The mean result for a 1 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of a lack of tree cover for Victoria (see NativeTreeProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>TreeProb10ha_RegionMean</i>	The mean result for a 10 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of a lack of tree cover for Victoria (see NativeTreeProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>TreeProb1Ha_RegionStdDev</i>	The standard deviation across a 1 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of a lack of tree cover for Victoria (see NativeTreeProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>TreeProb10ha_RegionStdDev</i>	The standard deviation across a 10 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of a lack of tree cover for Victoria (see NativeTreeProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>Pre1750TreeDensity</i>	An Artificial Neural Network model of the density of tree cover across south eastern-Australia prior to European invasion in the early 19th century. The model was trained and validated using tree cover sampling along roads and other parts of the landscape in which the tree cover has been relatively undisturbed by subsequent land use.	100m resampled to 30m
<i>NativeGrassProb</i>	An Artificial Neural Network Model of the probability of native grassland cover for Victoria trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>GrassProb1Ha_RegionMean</i>	The mean result for a 1 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of native grassland cover for Victoria (see NativeGrassProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>GrassProb1Ha_RegionStdDev</i>	The standard deviation across a 1 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of native grassland cover for Victoria (see NativeGrassProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>GrassProb10ha_RegionMean</i>	The mean result for a 10 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of native grassland cover for Victoria (see NativeGrassProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m
<i>GrassProb10ha_RegionStdDev</i>	The standard deviation across a 10 hectare neighbourhood for the probability of native grassland cover for Victoria (see NativeGrassProb). Trained using Landsat 7 TM chronosequence and Spot 4 panchromatic imagery.	30 m

Table A2. Basic statistics for the habitat hectares site score field data.

	Minimum	Maximum	Mean value	Standard Deviation
<i>Large Tree Score</i>	0	10	2.82	3.36
<i>Tree Canopy Score</i>	0	5	2.46	2.23
<i>Understorey Score</i>	0	25	8.50	7.16
<i>Litter Score</i>	0	5	3.00	2.04
<i>Logs Score</i>	0	5	1.88	2.08
<i>Weeds Score</i>	0	15	6.97	6.14
<i>Recruitment Score</i>	0	10	3.33	3.26

Table 3A. Ranking of the algorithms by the RMSE for the Friedman test. Outcome of Friedman test is that with p-value less than 0.01 the difference in the performance is statistically significant.

Target	LR	MTRT	RT	BagMTRT	Bag RT	RF MTRT	RF RT
<i>Large Tree Score</i>	6	5	7	1.5	3.5	3.5	1.5
<i>Tree Canopy Score</i>	6	5	7	4	2	2	2
<i>Understorey Score</i>	7	5	6	2.5	2.5	4	1
<i>Litter Score</i>	6.5	5	6.5	4	2	2	2
<i>Logs Score</i>	6	5	7	2	4	2	2
<i>Weeds Score</i>	6	5	7	1.5	3.5	3.5	1.5
<i>Recruitment Score</i>	6	5	7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<i>Average Ranks</i>	6.21	5.00	6.79	2.57	2.86	2.79	1.79

Table 4A. Ranking of the algorithms by the Correlation Coefficient for the Friedman test. Outcome of Friedman test is that with p-value less than 0.01 the difference in the performance is statistically significant.

Target	LR	MTRT	RT	BagMTRT	Bag RT	RF MTRT	RF RT
<i>Large Tree Score</i>	6	5	7	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<i>Tree Canopy Score</i>	5.5	5.5	7	4	2	2	2
<i>Understorey Score</i>	6.5	5	6.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<i>Litter Score</i>	6.5	5	6.5	4	2	2	2
<i>Logs Score</i>	6.5	5	6.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<i>Weeds Score</i>	7	5.5	5.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5
<i>Recruitment Score</i>	6.5	5	6.5	3	3	3	1
<i>Average Ranks</i>	6.36	5.14	6.50	3.00	2.43	2.43	2.14

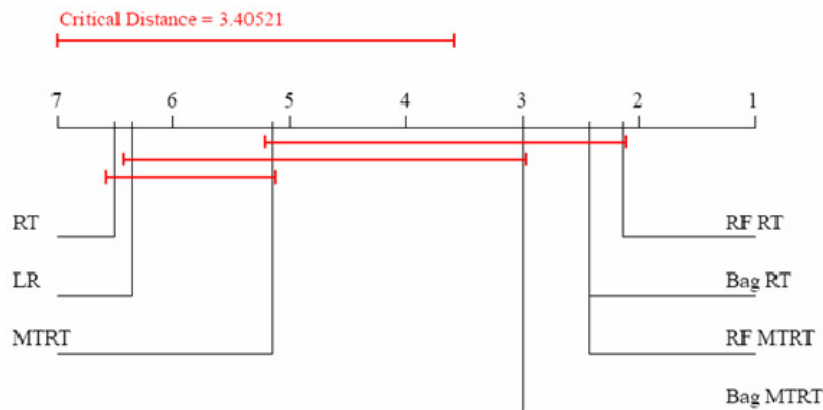


Figure A1. Average ranks diagram for the applied algorithms (comparing by correlation coefficient). Algorithms that do not differ significantly (p -value = 0.05) are connected with a line.