

1 Supplementary Materials for

Land Cover and Land Use Change in the US Prairie Pothole Region Using the USDA Cropland Data Layer

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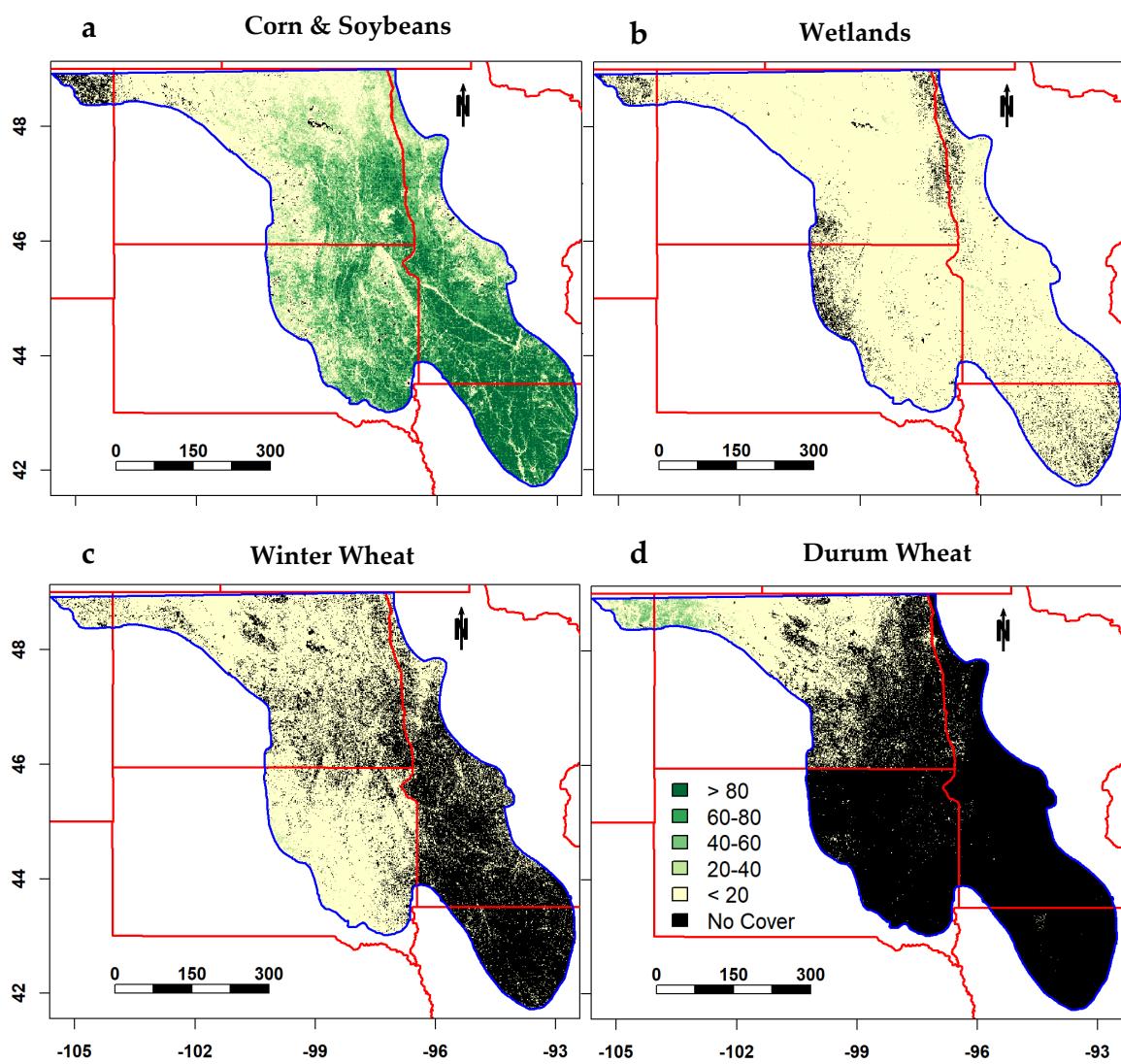


Figure S1. Mean land cover percentages from the USDA NASS CDL using 510 m resolution aggregated pixel for the US portion of the Prairie Pothole Region (PPR) between 2006 and 2018. PPR boundary appears in blue and state borders in red.

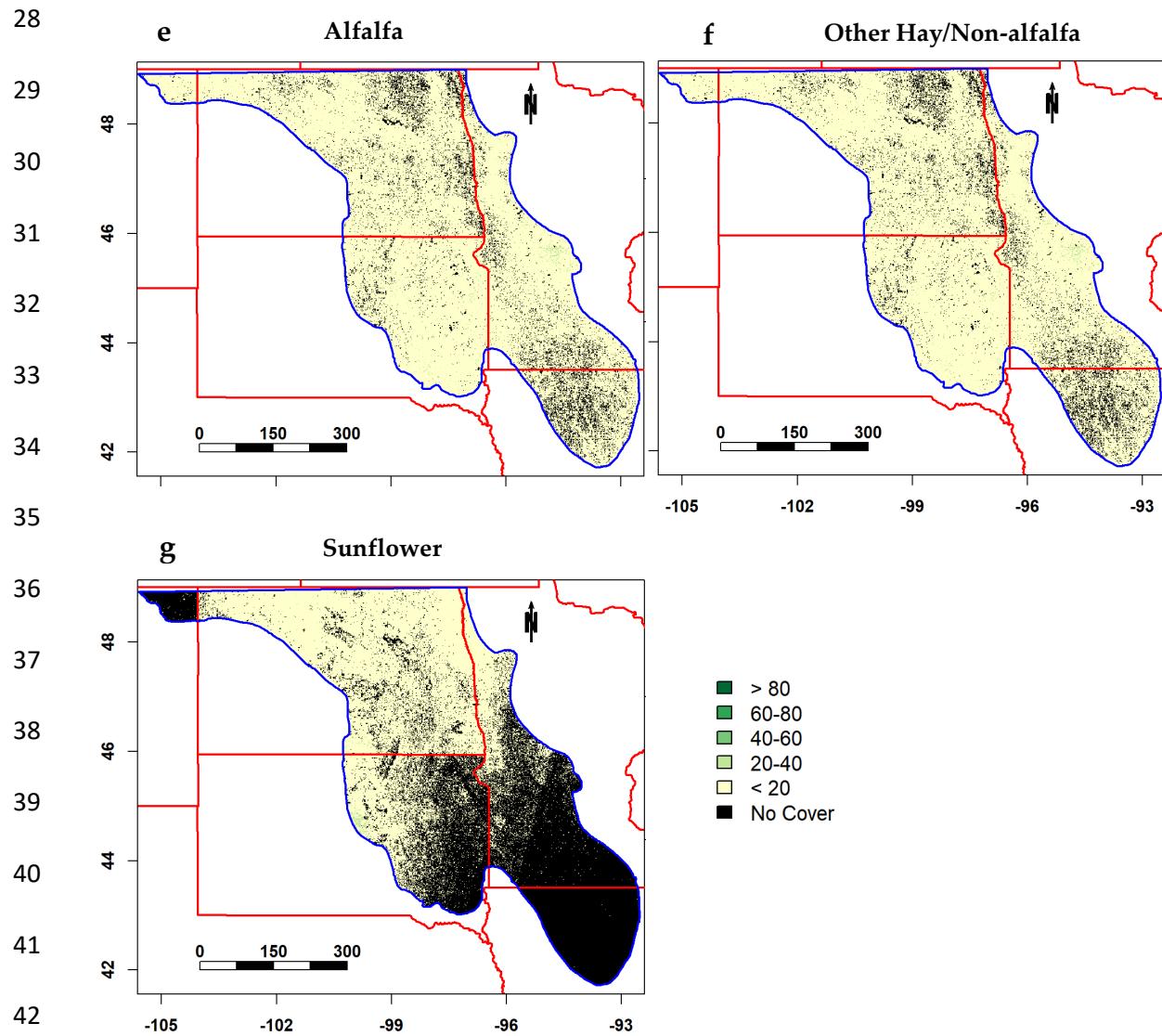
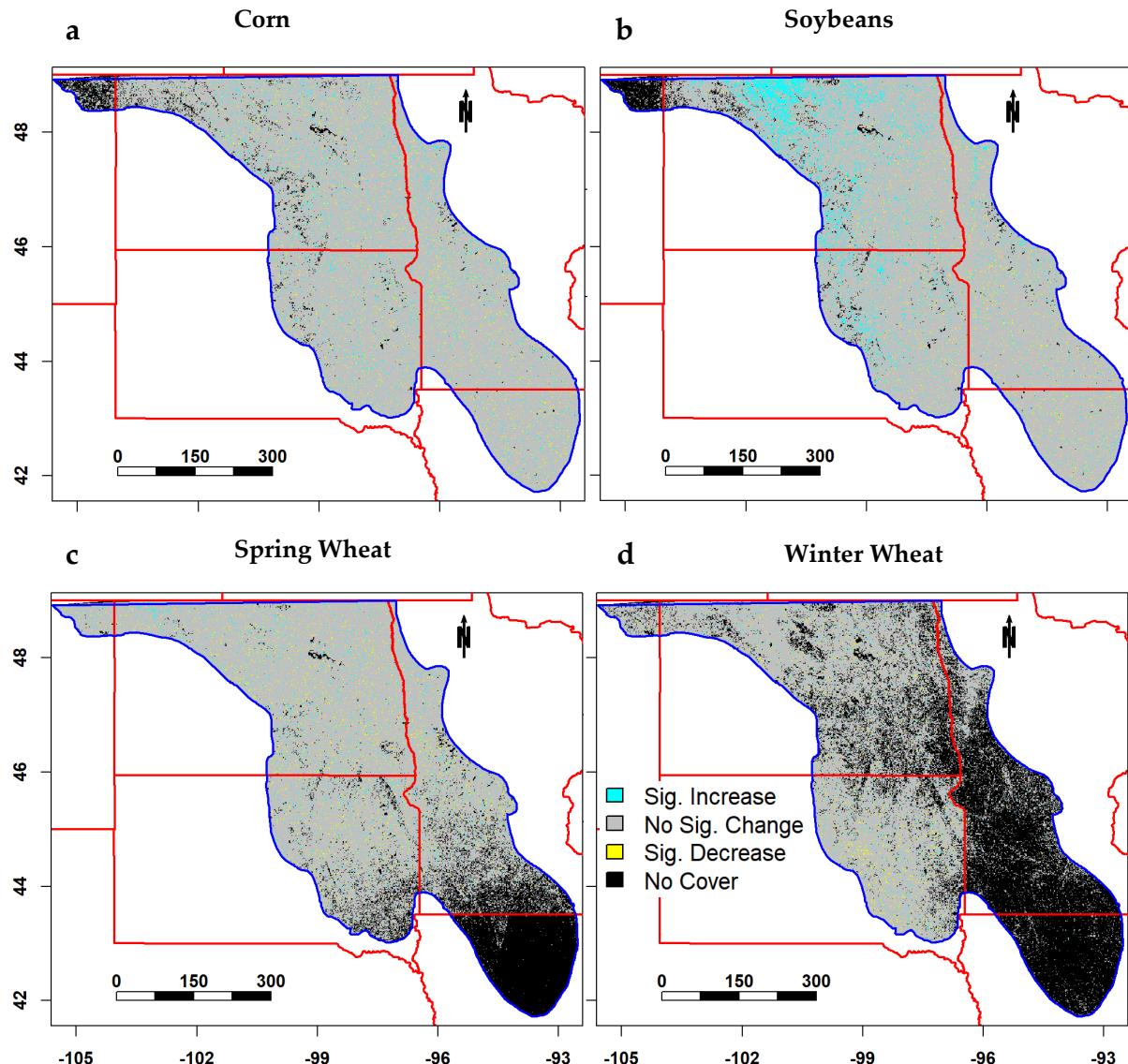


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52 Figure S2. Mann-Kendall trend maps of cover classes between 2006 and 2018. Each cover class is
53 divided into four categories: significant gain (cyan; $p < 0.05$), non-significant change (gray; $p > 0.05$),
54 significant loss (yellow; $p < 0.05$), with cover class absence in black. Quantitative details about these
55 trends are presented in Table S1.

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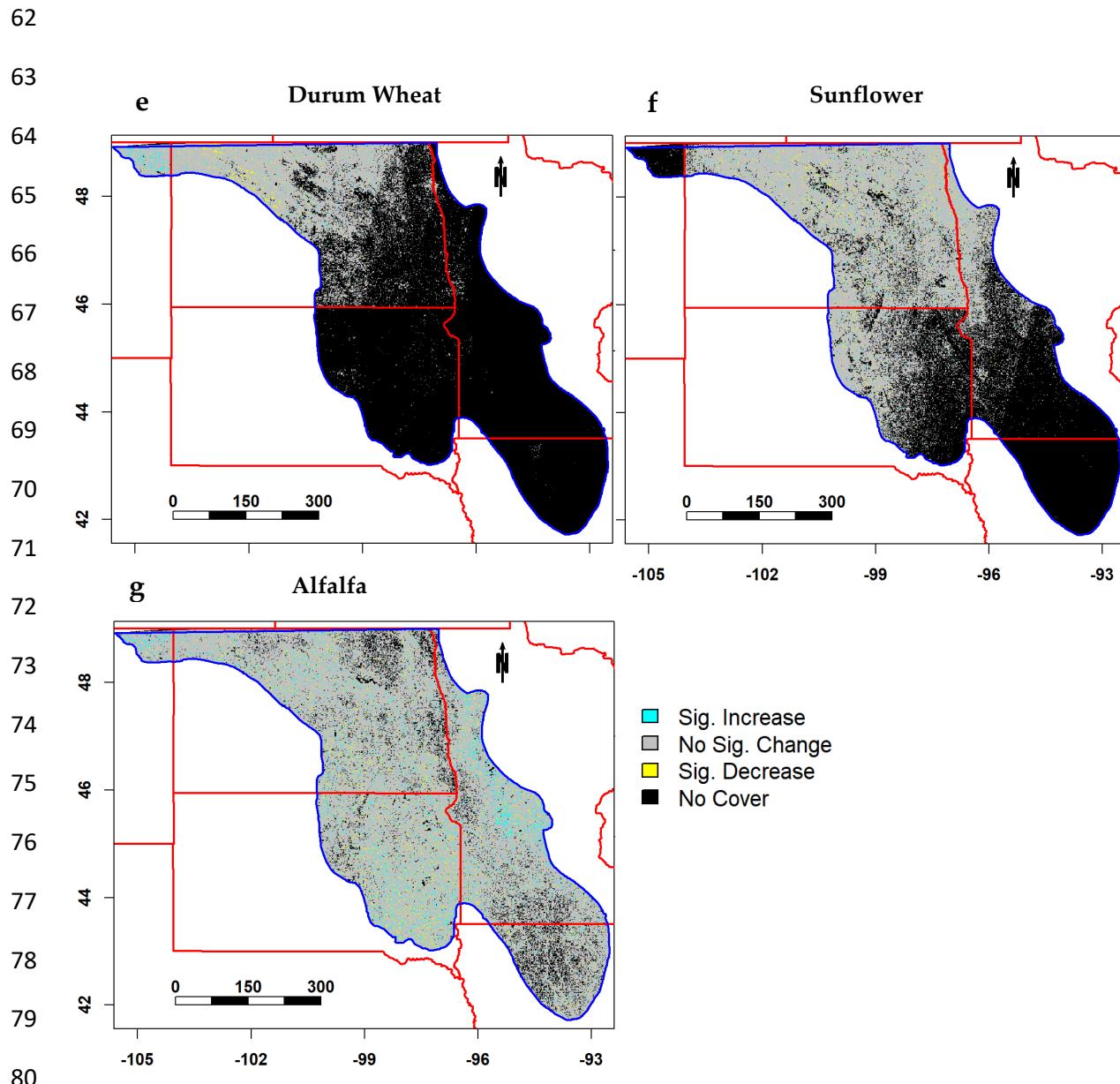


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89 **Table S1.** Crop/land cover percentage (%) that showed a significant increase, significant decrease, net
 90 significant change, and no significant change using the Mann-Kendall trend test on CDL data for 2006
 91 – 2018 for the US-PPR. This table support Figure 5 in the main text.

Crop/Land Cover Type	Significant Increase	Significant Decrease	Net Sig. Change	No Sig. Change
Corn	5.9	-1.1	+4.8	90.9
Soybeans	11.9	-0.7	+11.2	85.6
Corn & Soybeans	25.8	-2.3	+23.5	71.0
Spring Wheat	2.4	-4.3	-1.9	91.3
Winter Wheat	0.3	-3.4	-3.1	92.7
Durum Wheat	3.6	-4.6	-1.0	90.0
Sunflower	0.7	-5.4	-4.7	91.5
Alfalfa	15.3	-4.5	+10.8	78.1
Other Hay	14.8	0.0	+14.8	83.1
Wetlands	9.4	-4.9	+4.5	83.9
Grass/ Pasture	0.7	-29	-28.3	69.6

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 93 **Table S2.** Direct change analysis on the US-PPR CDL using the temporal endpoints of 2006 and 2018.
 94 Crop/land cover percentage (%) that increased, decreased, net change, no significant change,
 95 asymmetry ratio (AR), and predominant change (AR>2.0 → increased; AR<0.5 → decreased;
 96 0.5<AR<2.0 → mixed). NaN=Not a Number, due to division by zero; na is not available, due to this
 97 cover type not being mapped in 2006.

Cover Type	Increased	Decreased	Net Change	No Change	AR	Predominant Change
Corn	38.7	26.6	+12.1	34.7	1.45	mixed
Soybeans	41.9	27.6	+14.3	30.5	1.52	mixed
Corn & Soybeans	27.5	11.2	+16.3	61.3	2.45	increased
Spring Wheat	32.4	48.2	-15.8	19.4	0.67	mixed
Winter Wheat	22.0	73.9	-51.8	4.1	0.30	decreased
Durum Wheat	55.4	31.3	+24.1	13.3	1.77	mixed
Sunflower	21.8	75.3	-53.5	2.8	0.29	decreased
Alfalfa	54.5	39.3	+15.2	6.1	1.39	mixed
Other Hay	na	na	na	na	na	na
Wetlands	45.2	43.9	+1.3	10.9	1.03	mixed
Grass/ Pasture	19.0	38.1	-19.0	42.9	0.50	mixed

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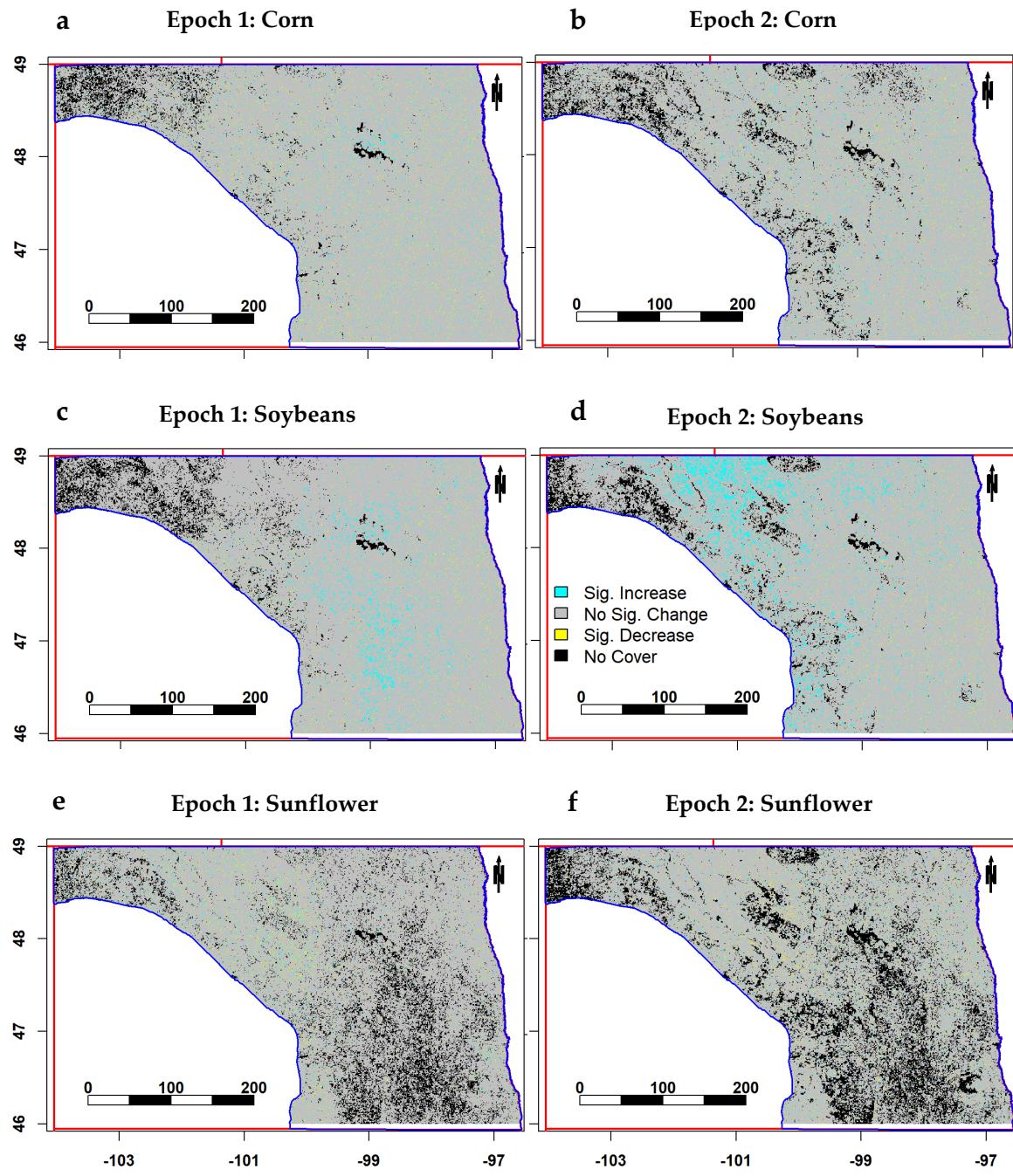
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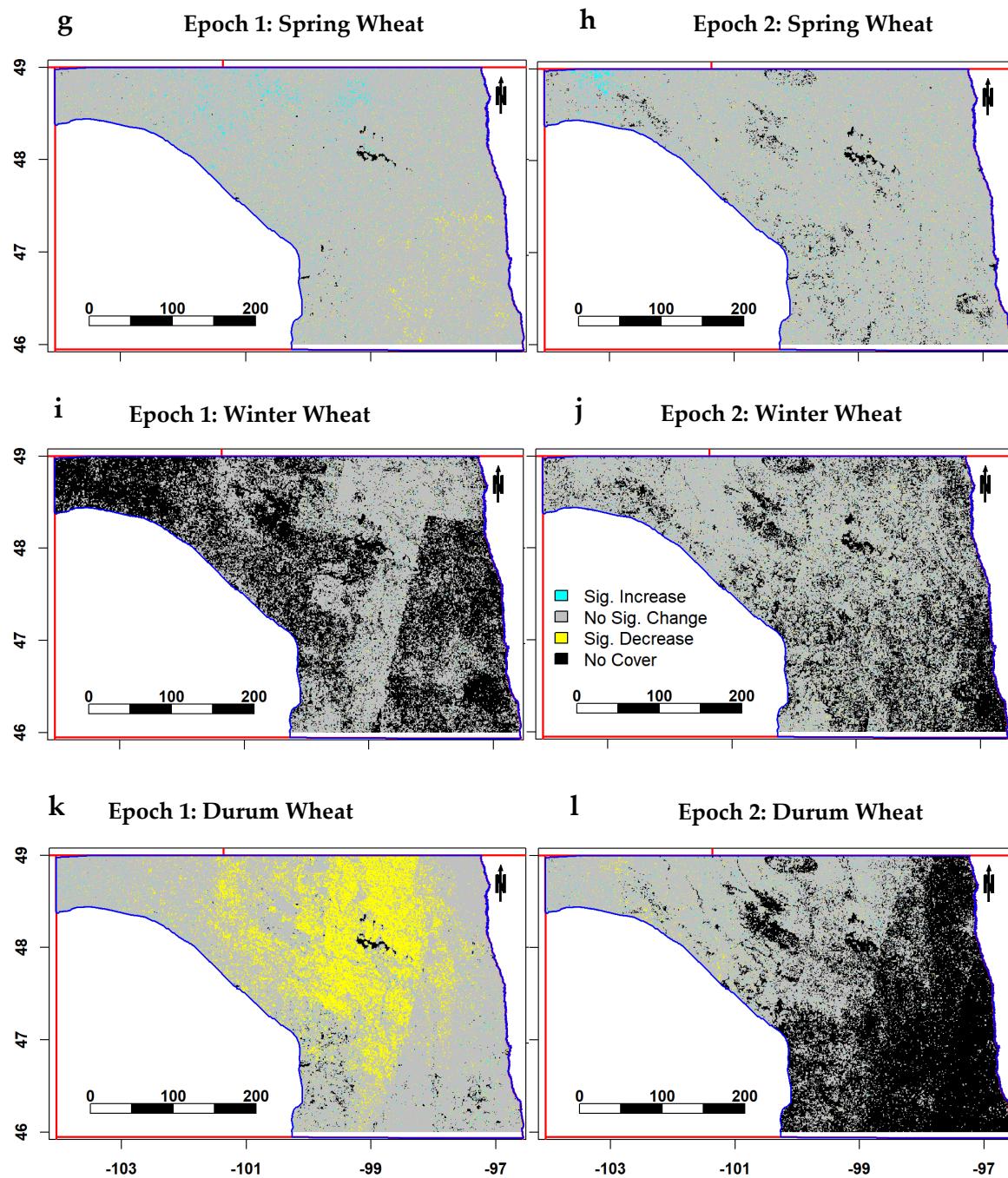
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107 Figure S3. Mann-Kendall trend maps of cover classes for two epochs (Epoch 1: 1998 – 2007 and Epoch
108 2: 2008 – 2017). Each cover class is divided into four categories: significant gain (cyan; $p < 0.05$), non-
109 significant change (gray; $p > 0.05$), significant loss (yellow; $p < 0.05$), with cover class absence in black.
110 Quantitative details about these trends are presented in Table S3.

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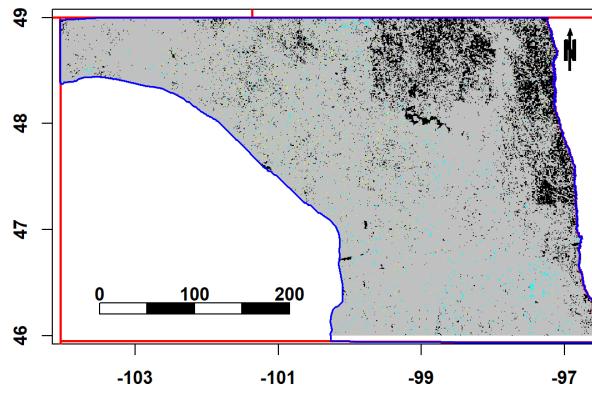
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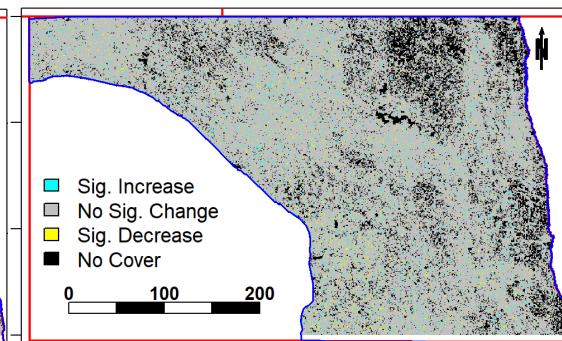
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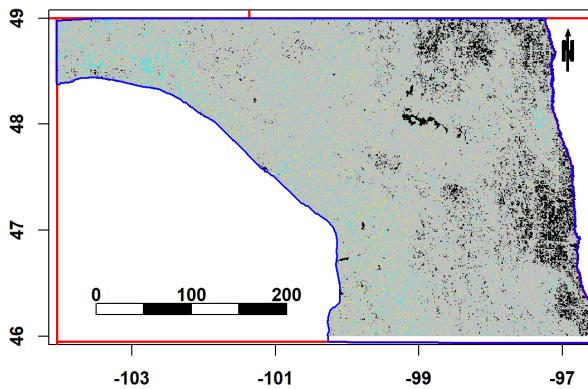
n Epoch 1: Alfalfa



o Epoch 2: Alfalfa



p Epoch 2: Other Hay/Non Alfalfa



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Figure S3, continued. Note that there are no full data in Epoch 1 for either Wetlands or Other Hay/Non-Alfalfa.

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 150 **Table S3.** Mann-Kendall trend test crop/land cover area and percentage (%) significant changes ($p <$
 151 0.05) using CDL data two epochs (E1=1998 – 2007 and E2=2008 – 2017) for the North Dakotan portion
 152 of the US-PPR. Significant increasing (gains), decreasing (losses), and net change trends are presented
 for each crop/land cover for each epoch. This table supports Figure 7 in the main text.

Crop/Land Cover Type	Epoch	Significant Increase	Significant Decrease	Net Sig. Change	No Sig. Change
Corn	E1	2.9	-0.7	+2.2	94.6
	E2	5.0	-0.5	+4.4	92.8
Soybeans	E1	7.0	-0.2	+6.8	91.4
	E2	13.0	-0.3	+12.6	85.6
Corn & Soybeans	E1	11.1	-0.4	+10.7	87.2
	E2	17.8	-0.5	+17.3	80.9
Spring Wheat	E1	4.0	-3.3	+0.7	91.4
	E2	2.5	-2.1	+0.4	93.7
Winter Wheat	E1	1.3	0.0	+1.3	98.7
	E2	0.0	-2.2	-2.2	96.3
Durum Wheat	E1	0.1	-30.6	-30.6	69.1
	E2	0.9	-3.6	-2.7	93.9
Sunflower	E1	0.7	-2.2	-1.5	94.7
	E2	0.5	-2.5	-2.0	95.6
Alfalfa	E1	4.5	0.0	+4.5	95.1
	E2	6.5	-3.5	+3.0	88.6
Other Hay	E1	na	na	na	na
	E2	4.9	-1.4	+3.5	91.4
Wetlands	E1	na	na	na	na
	E2	7.2	-1.6	+5.6	89.7
Grass/ Pasture	E1	5.2	-5.6	-0.3	88.3
	E2	0.2	-31.0	-30.8	68.3

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 165 **Table S4.** Direct change analysis on the ND-PPR CDL using the temporal endpoints in two epochs
 166 (E1=1998–2007 and E2=2008–2017). Crop/land cover percentage (%) that increased, decreased, net
 167 change, no significant change, asymmetry ratio (AR), and predominant change (AR>2.0 → **increased**;
 168 AR<0.5 → **decreased**; 0.5<AR<2.0 → mixed). NaN=Not a Number, due to division by zero; na=not
 169 available, due to this cover type not available during epoch; ds=data suspect, due to apparent artifacts
 in the cover type.

Cover Type	Epoch	Increased	Decreased	Net Change	No Change	AR	Predominant Change
Corn	E1	71.1	20.1	+51.0	8.8	3.54	increased
	E2	48.6	37.2	+11.4	14.1	1.31	mixed
Soybeans	E1	68.1	22.3	+45.8	9.7	3.05	increased
	E2	58.0	22.3	+35.7	19.7	2.60	increased
Corn & Soybeans	E1	66.8	14.8	+52.0	18.4	4.52	increased
	E2	47.0	14.2	+32.8	38.8	3.31	increased
Spring Wheat	E1	45.4	40.2	+5.2	14.4	1.13	mixed
	E2	34.8	47.8	-13.0	17.4	0.73	mixed
Winter Wheat	E1	ds	ds	ds	ds	ds	ds
	E2	4.0	95.8	-91.8	0.2	0.04	decreased
Durum Wheat	E1	16.6	70.7	-54.1	12.7	0.23	decreased
	E2	23.2	53.7	-30.5	23.0	0.43	decreased
Sunflower	E1	25.4	71.0	-45.6	3.7	0.36	decreased
	E2	13.9	84.4	-70.5	1.7	0.6	decreased
Alfalfa	E1	na	na	na	na	na	na
	E2	54.7	38.1	+16.6	7.2	1.44	mixed
Other Hay	E1	na	na	na	na	na	na
	E2	64.2	21.9	+42.2	13.9	2.92	increased
Wetlands	E1	na	na	na	na	na	na
	E2	54.0	22.2	+31.7	23.8	2.43	increased
Grass/ Pasture	E1	36.2	27.0	+9.1	36.8	1.34	mixed
	E2	8.4	33.6	-25.2	58.0	0.25	decreased

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