

Identifying Parking Lots Around Sacramento Light Rail Stations

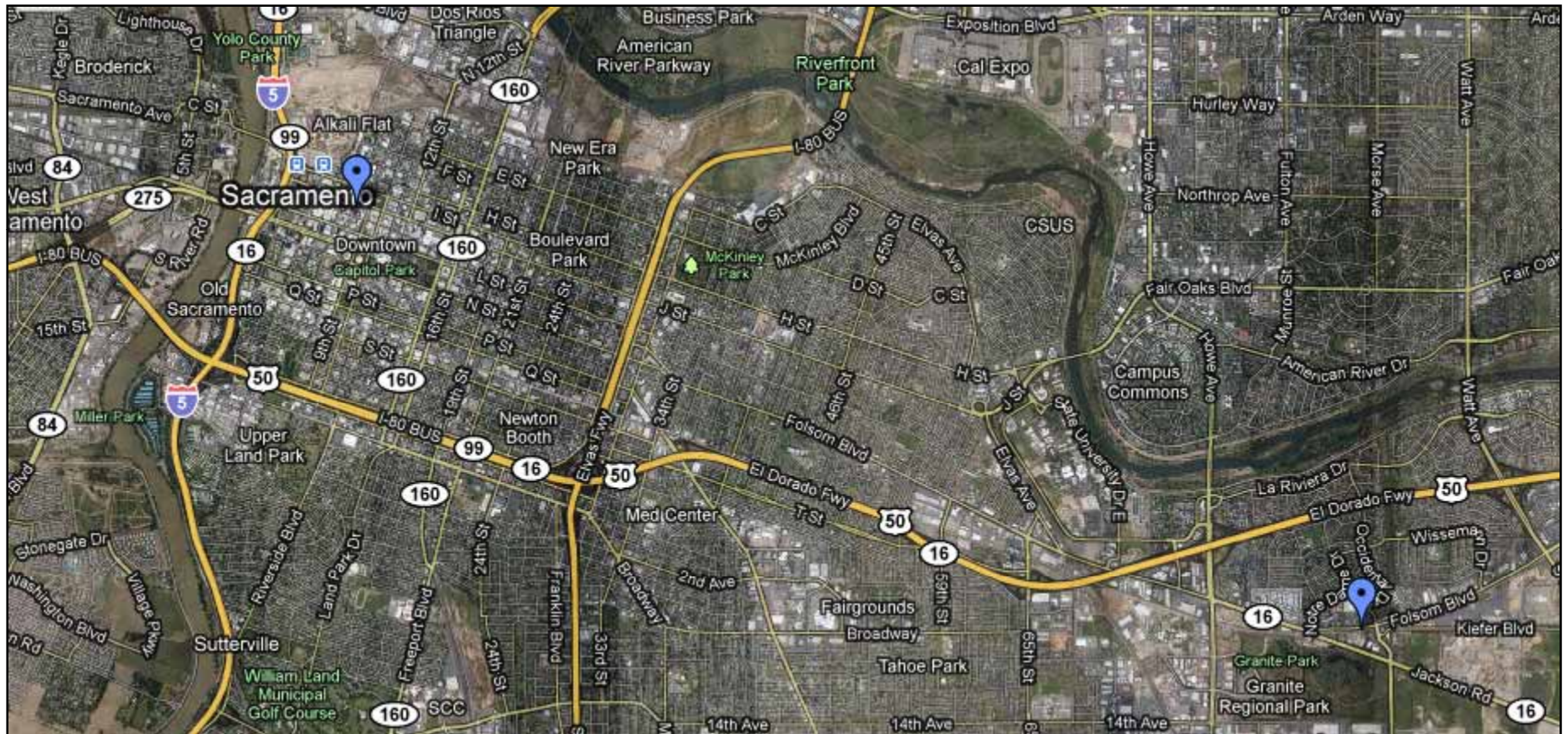
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Geography 342

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Why is this interesting?

Comparison



College Greens



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Transit Oriented Development (TOD)

“A compatible mix of residential, retail, and office well-suited for surrounding neighborhood. Development of high quality, compact, construction, that is also viable, & sustainable that is all within an easy walk - 1/4 -1/2 mile - from transit station

There are a variety of land uses that should be considered for TOD. Retail, Residential, Office and Entertainment.

Mixed use allows for pedestrian friendly street designs with safe routes for pedestrians and bicyclists and convenient access to transit.”

-Sacramento Regional Transit Website, 2010

Sacramento General Plan

Policy LU.5.5.2: Transit-Oriented Development.

The City shall actively support and facilitate mixed-use retail, employment, and residential development around existing and future transit stations.

-Sacramento 2030 General Plan, Adopted 2009

Sources of Data

City of Sacramento

County of Sacramento

Define Study Area

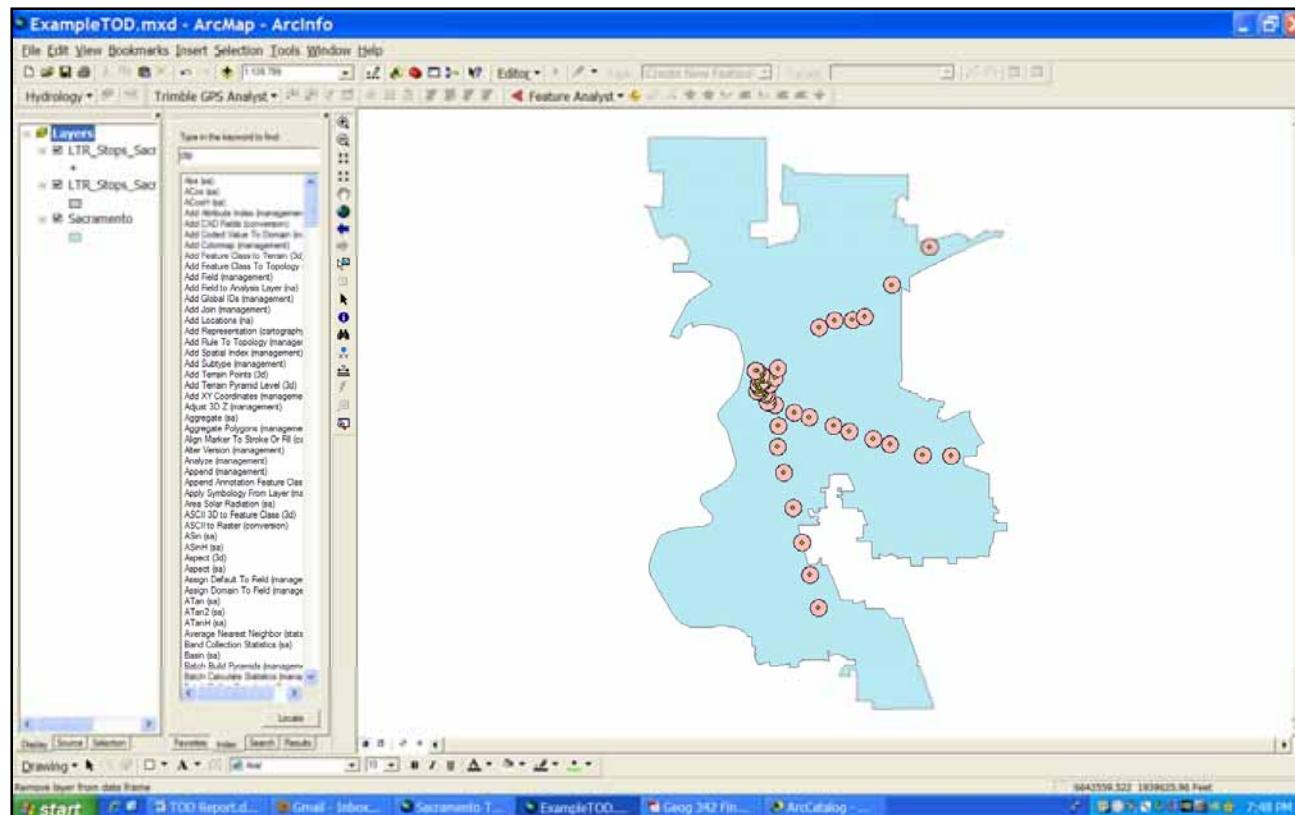
Rule of Thumb-

A quarter mile is the distance a typical individual can walk in 5 minutes.

Common standard used to measure walkability of an area.

Buffers

Select out light rail stations located in Sacramento and add quarter mile buffers.



Key lesson learned-

The more features you can exclude, the less Feature Analyst can classify incorrectly.



Parks





Rail Lines





Residential Parcels



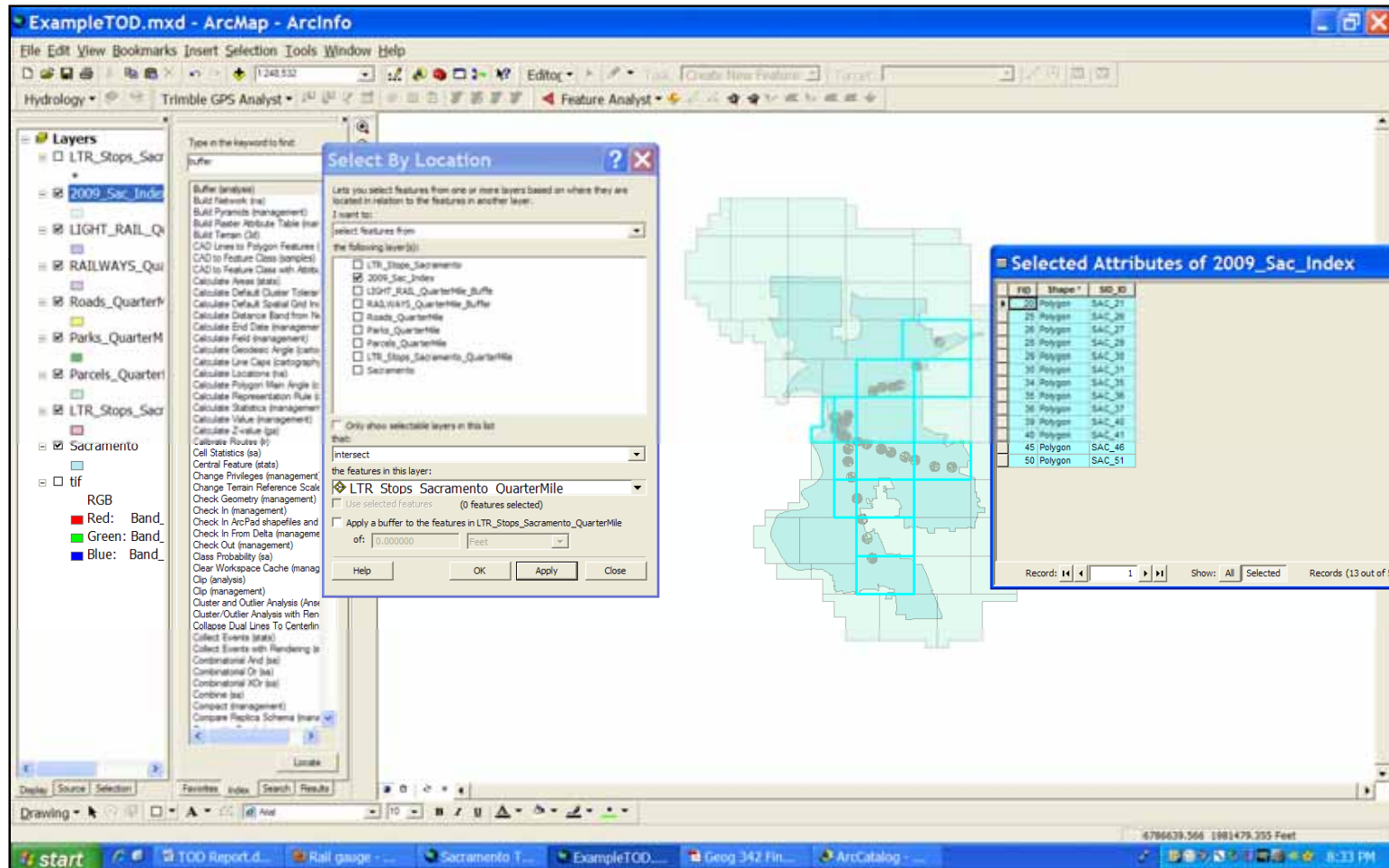


Roads

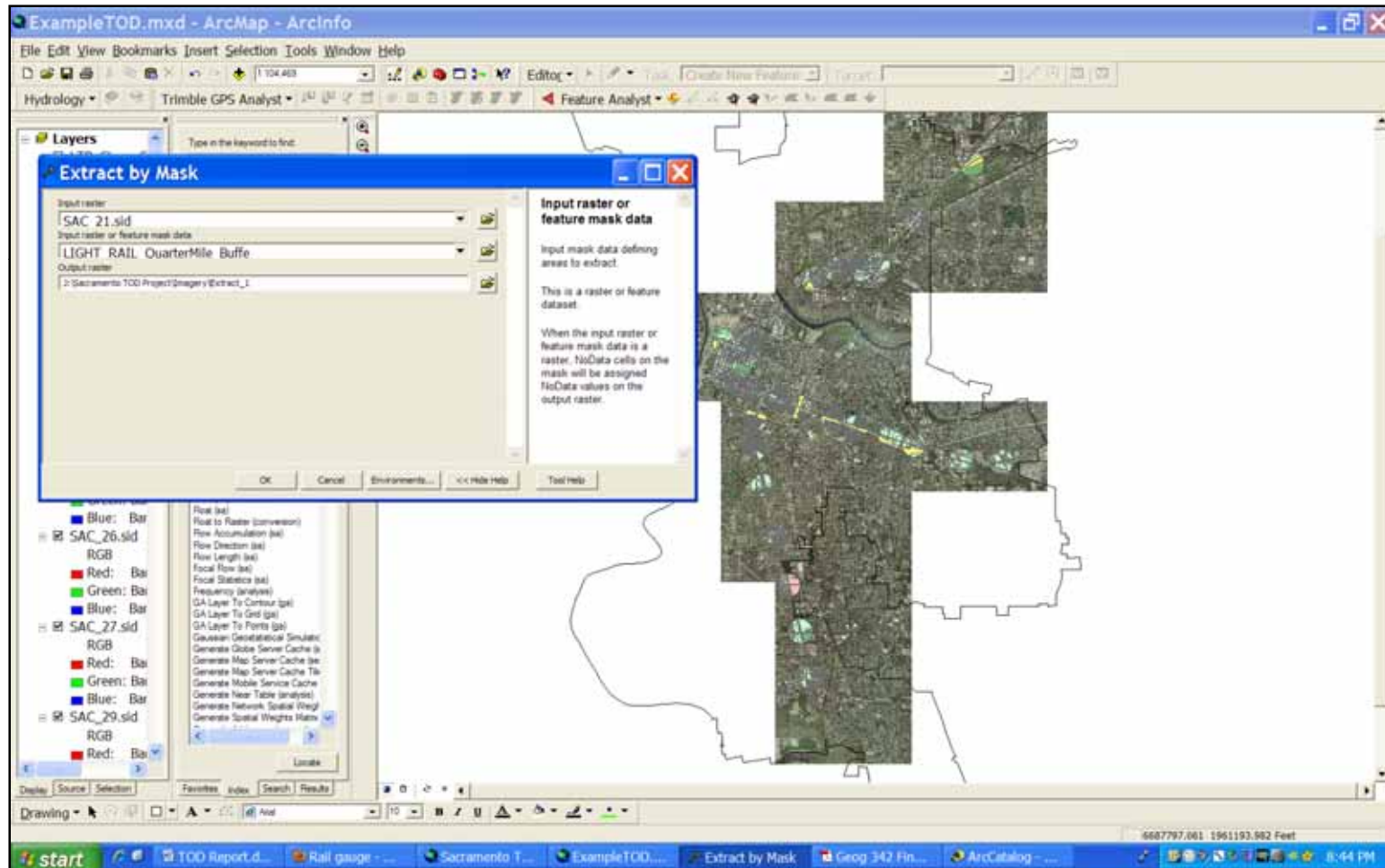




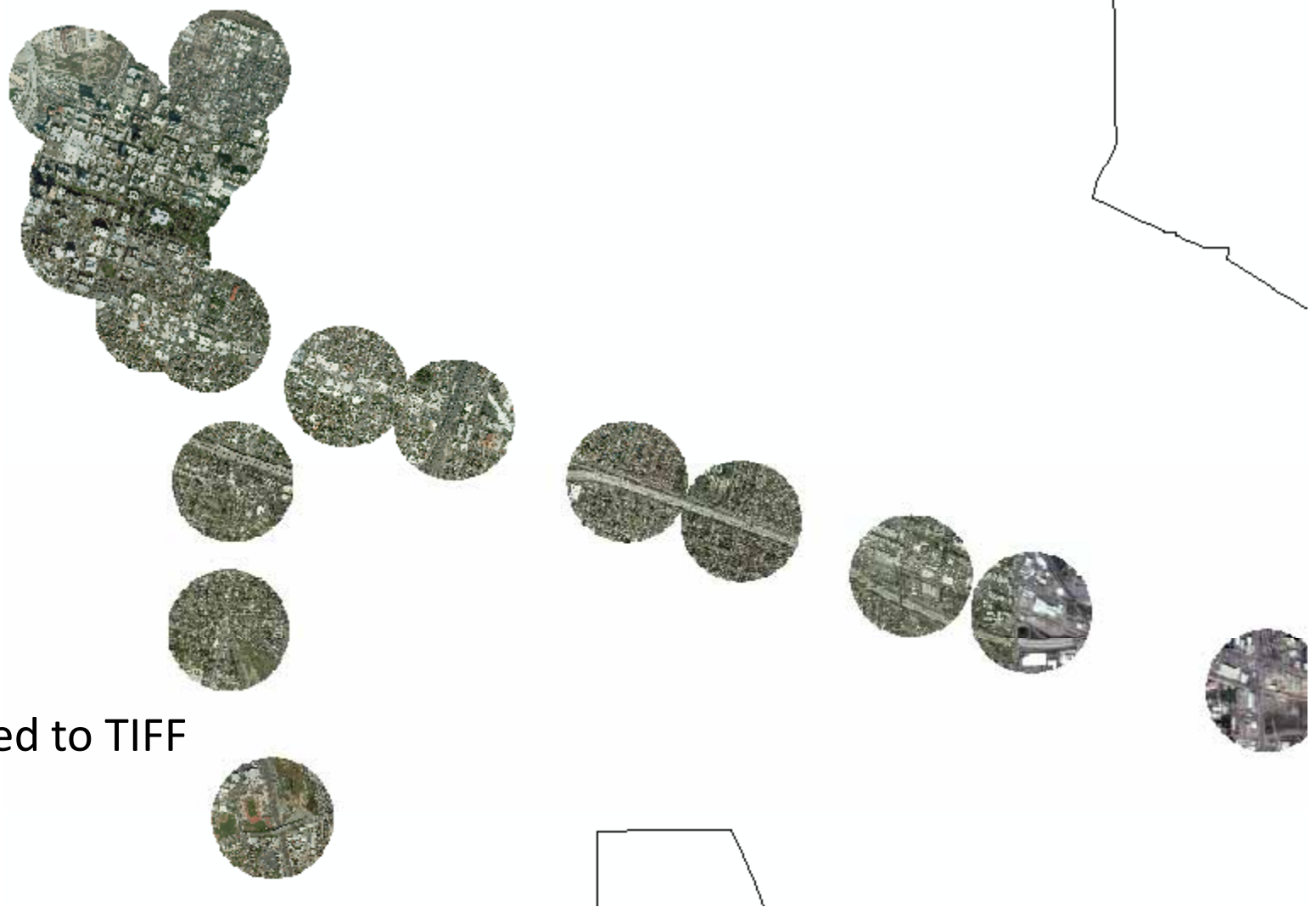
Study Area and Imagery



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Converted to TIFF

Resample

Through trial and error discovered that Feature Analyst was running incredible slow.

Resampling image to lower resolution made the classification process faster.

Test run using 6 inch resolution original image.
Time to process: 34 minutes.



Test run using resampled image to 1 foot resolution image. Time to process: 11 minutes.



Test run using resampled image to 3 feet
resolution image. Time to process: 2 minutes.

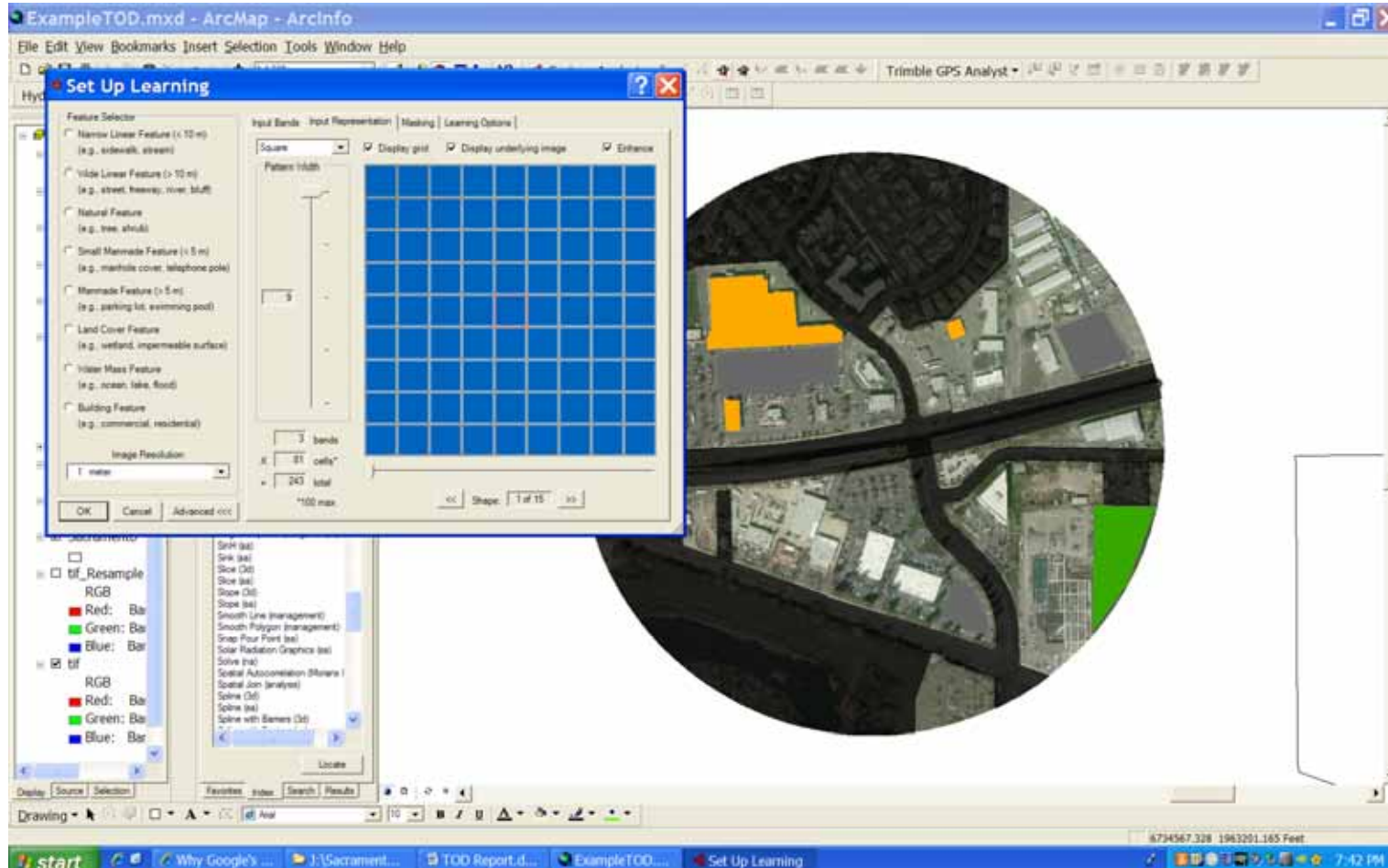


Feature Analyst

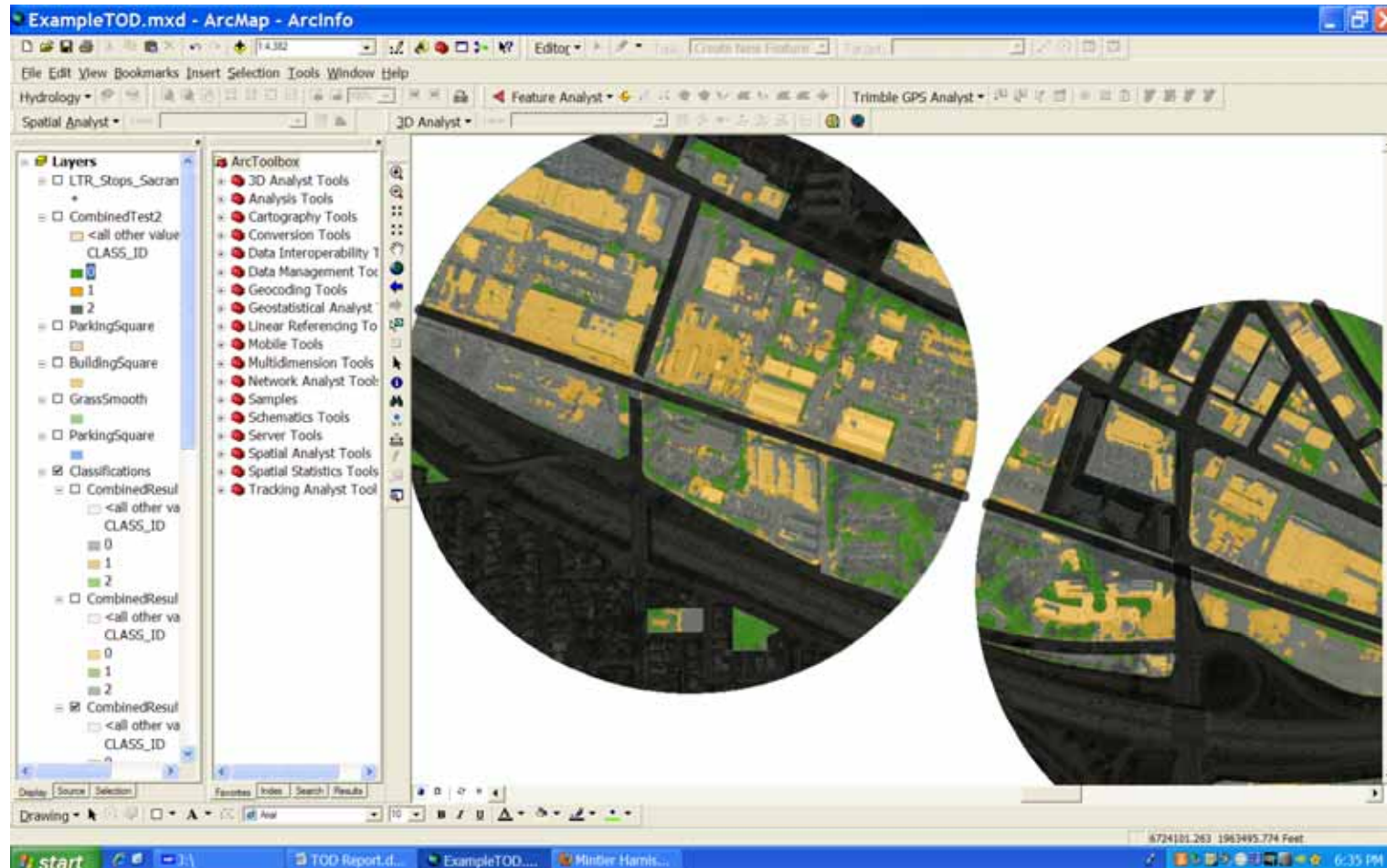
Picking Test Sites



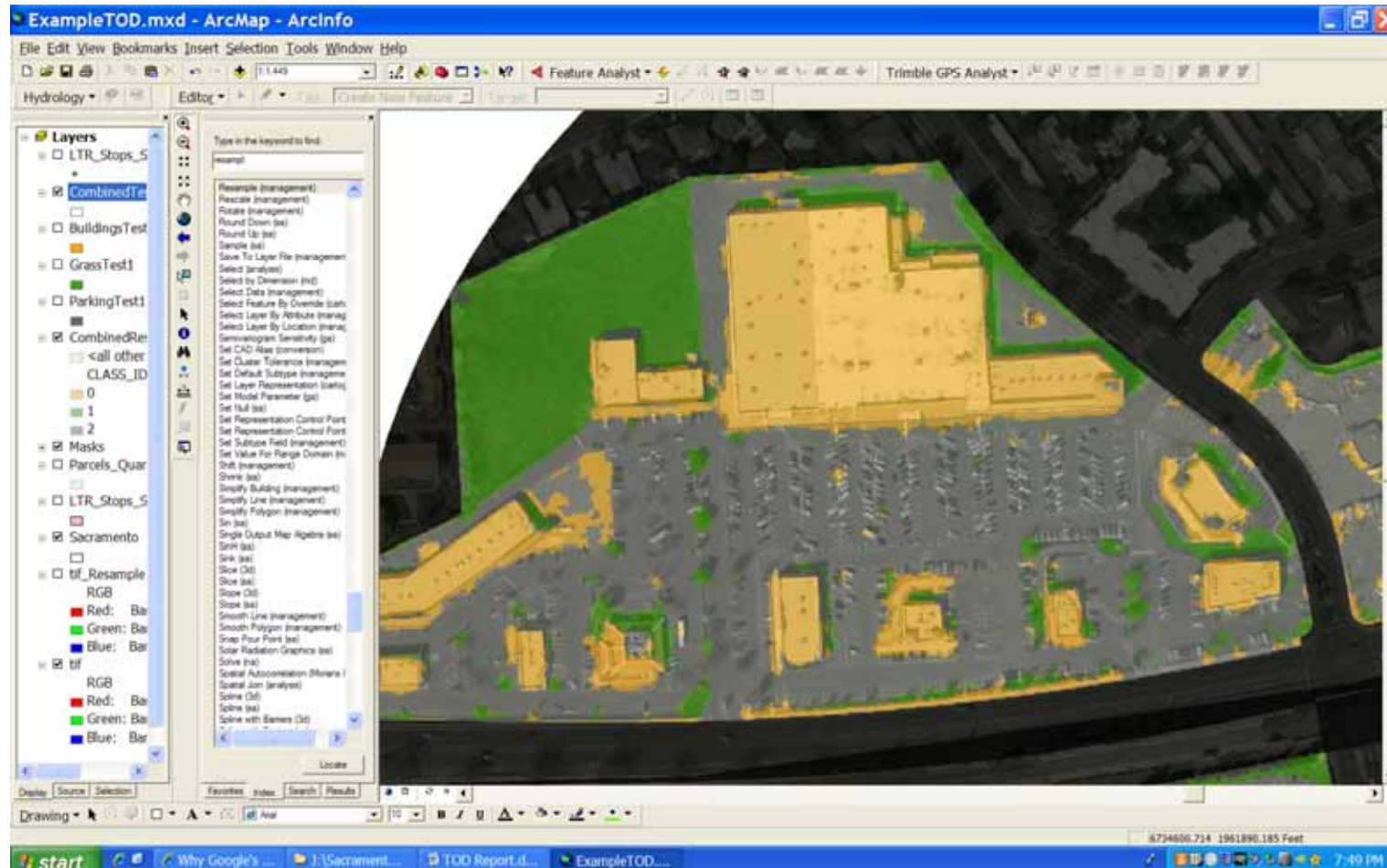
Setting up Learning



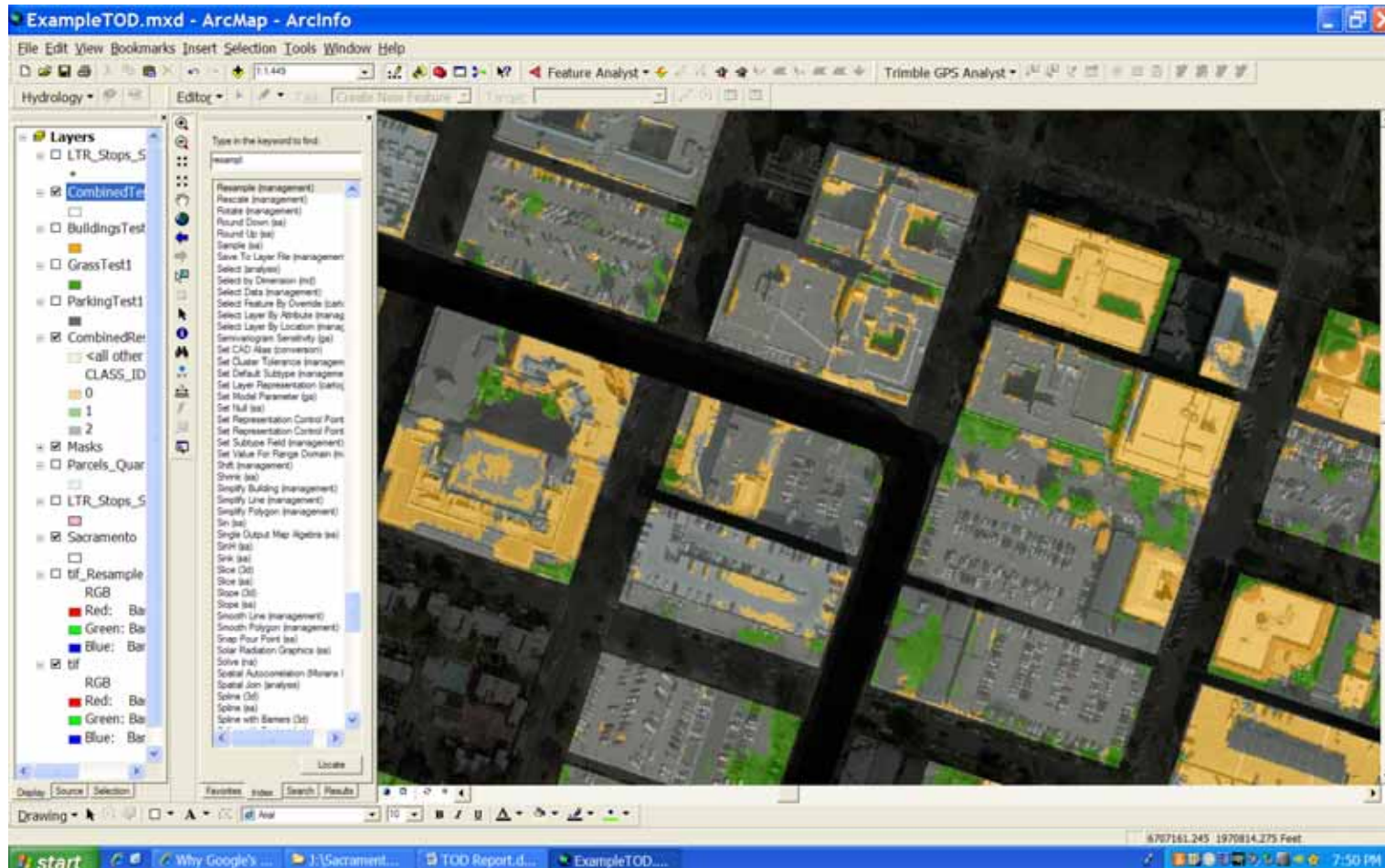
First Result Wall to Wall



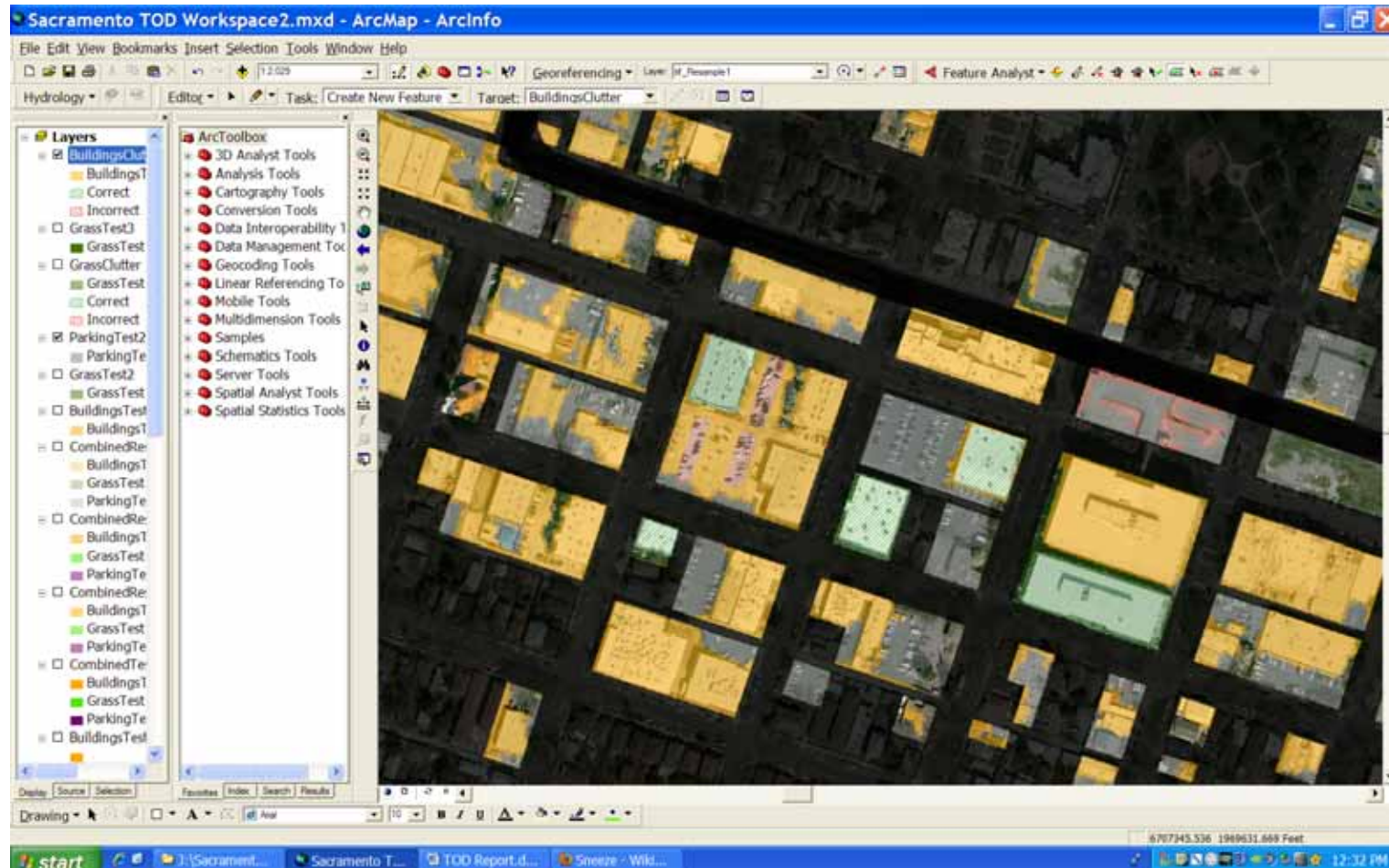
First Result Suburbs



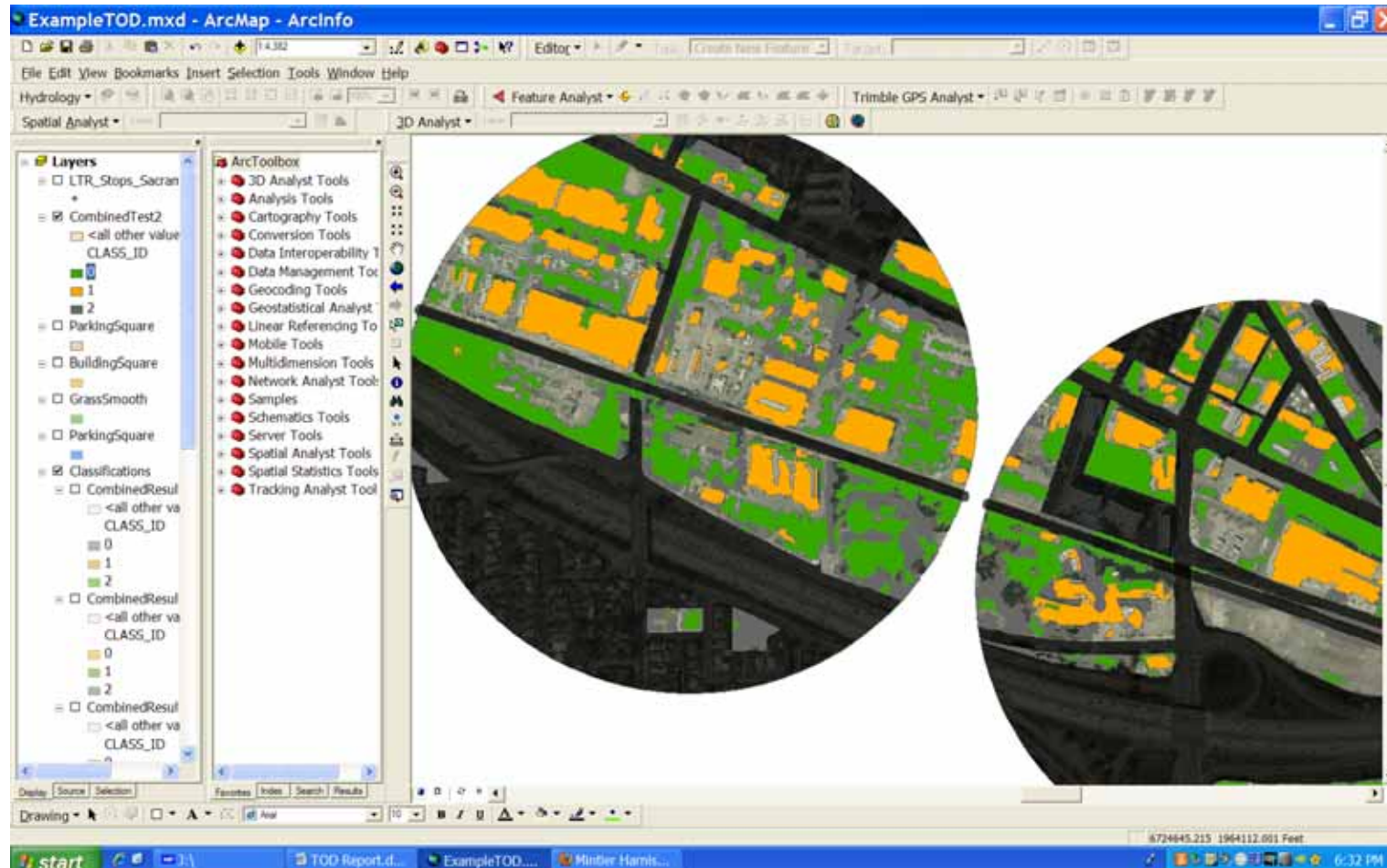
First Result Urban Areas



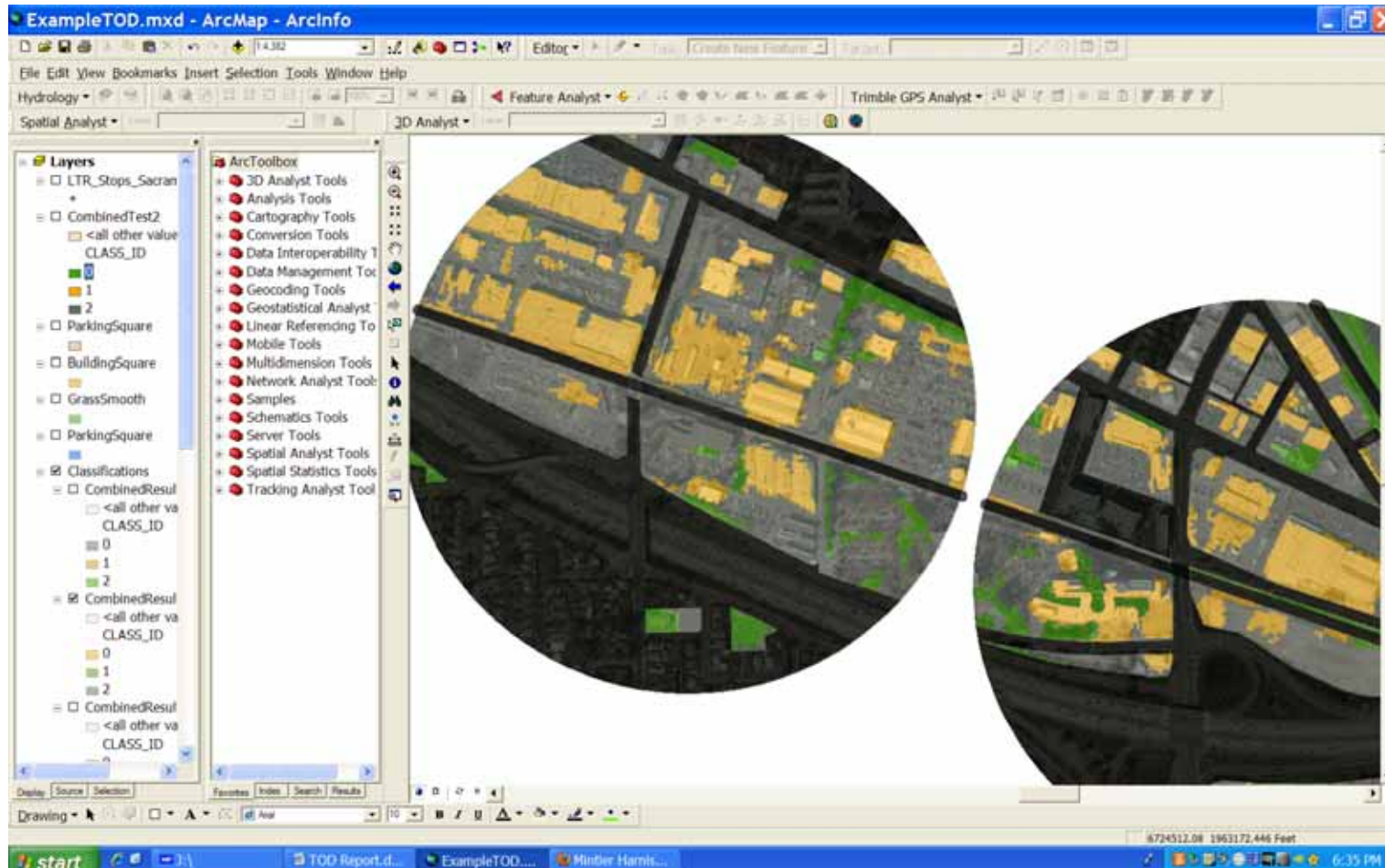
First Round Clutter Removal



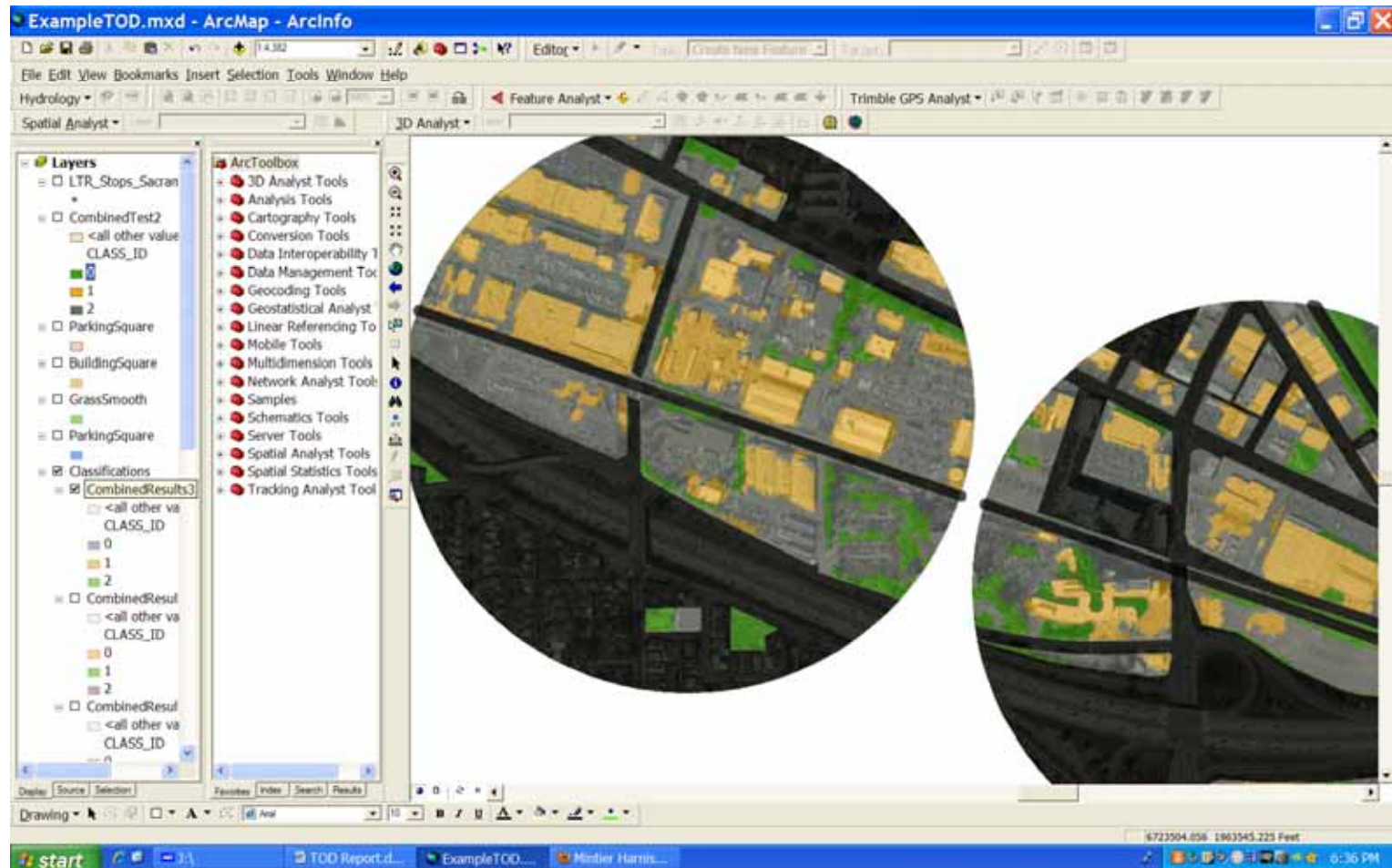
After Clutter Removal



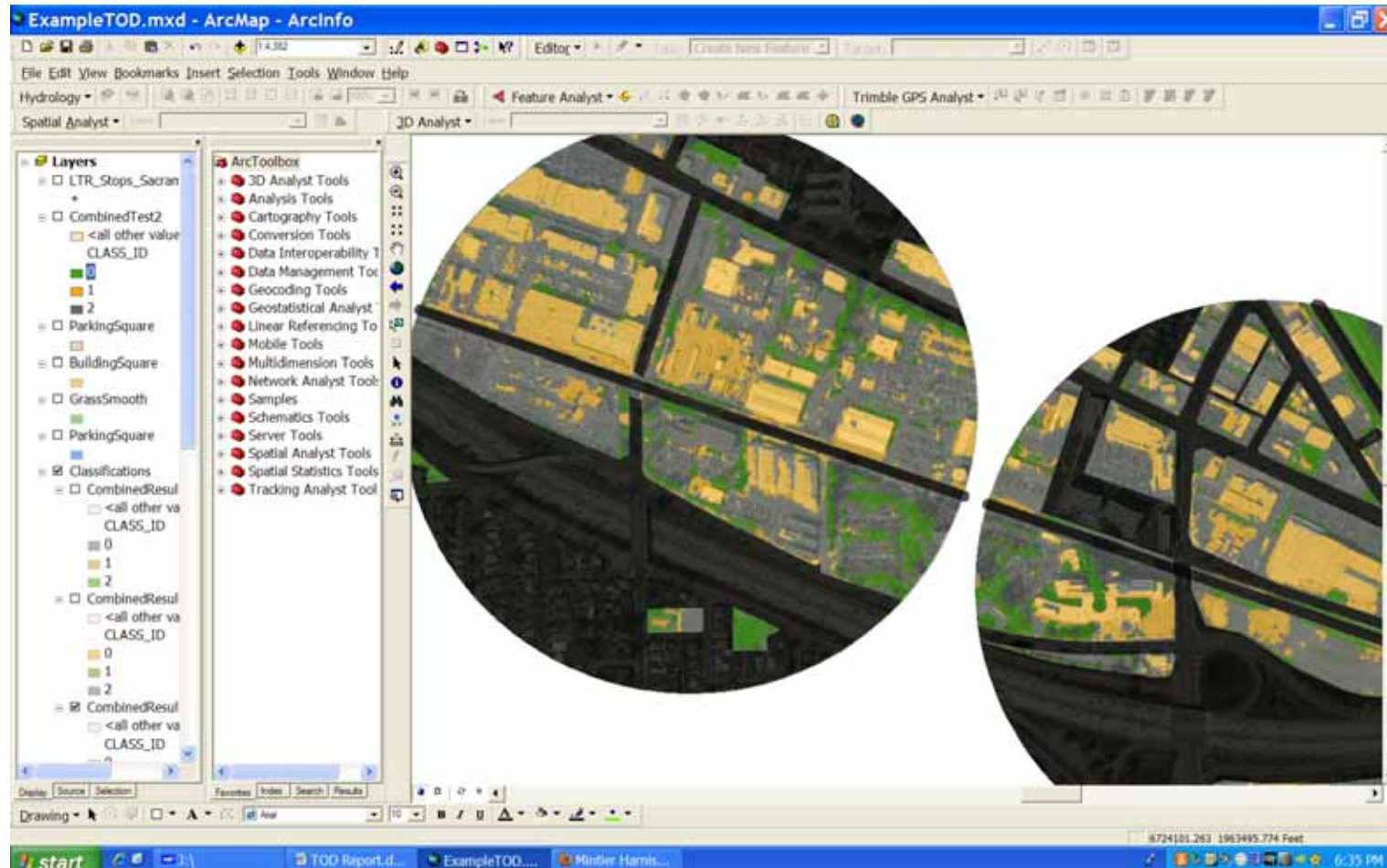
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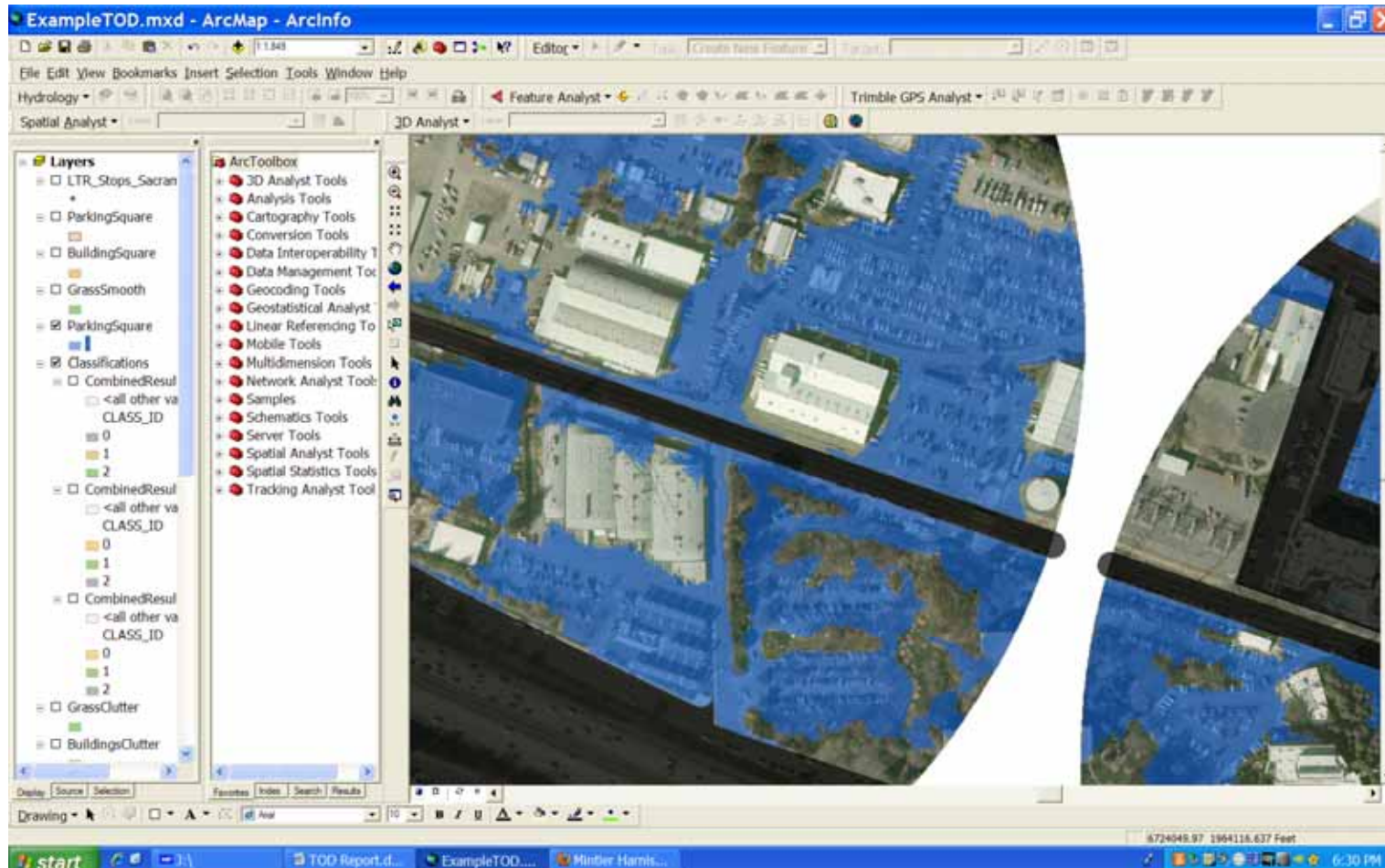
Third Result Wall to Wall



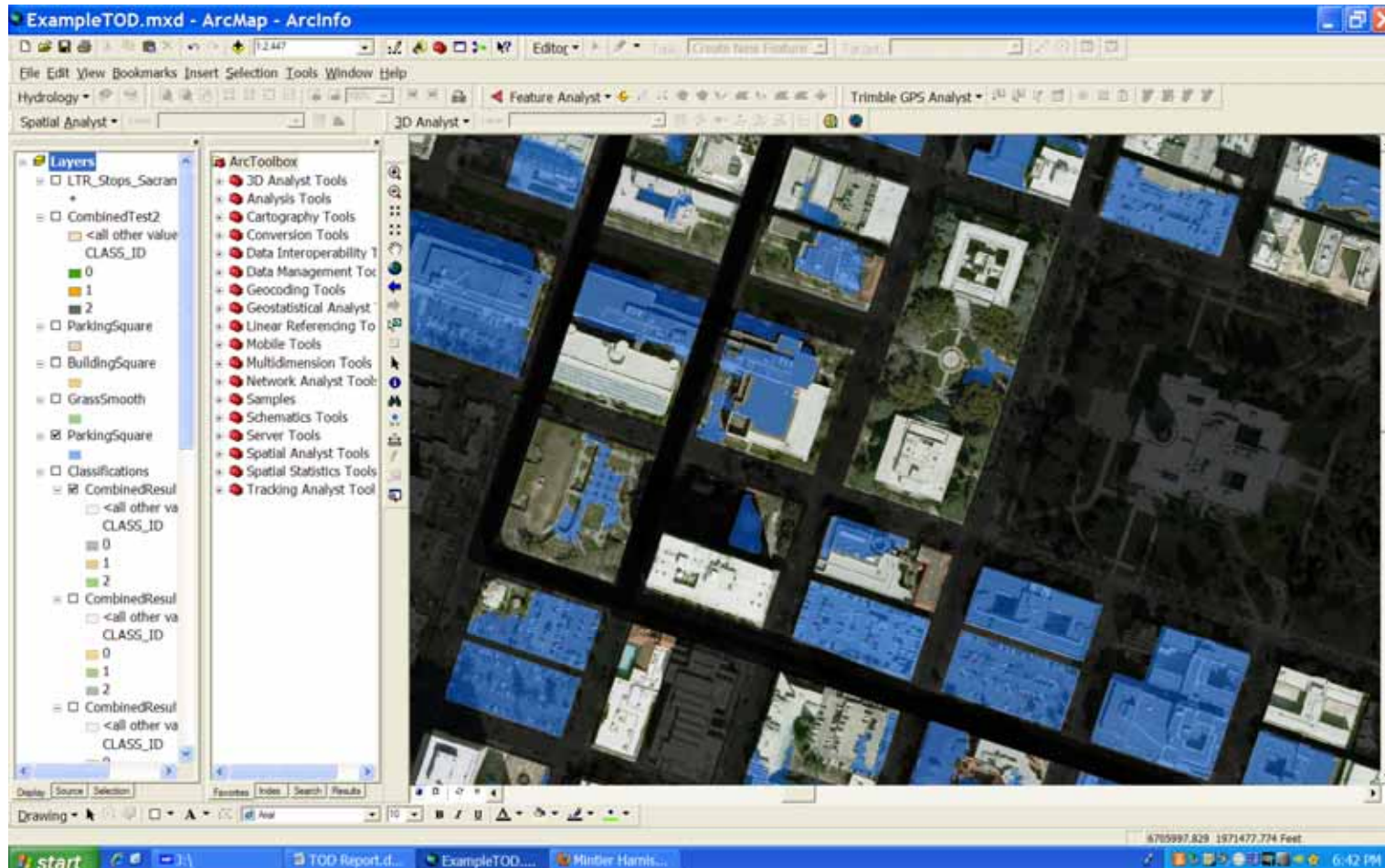
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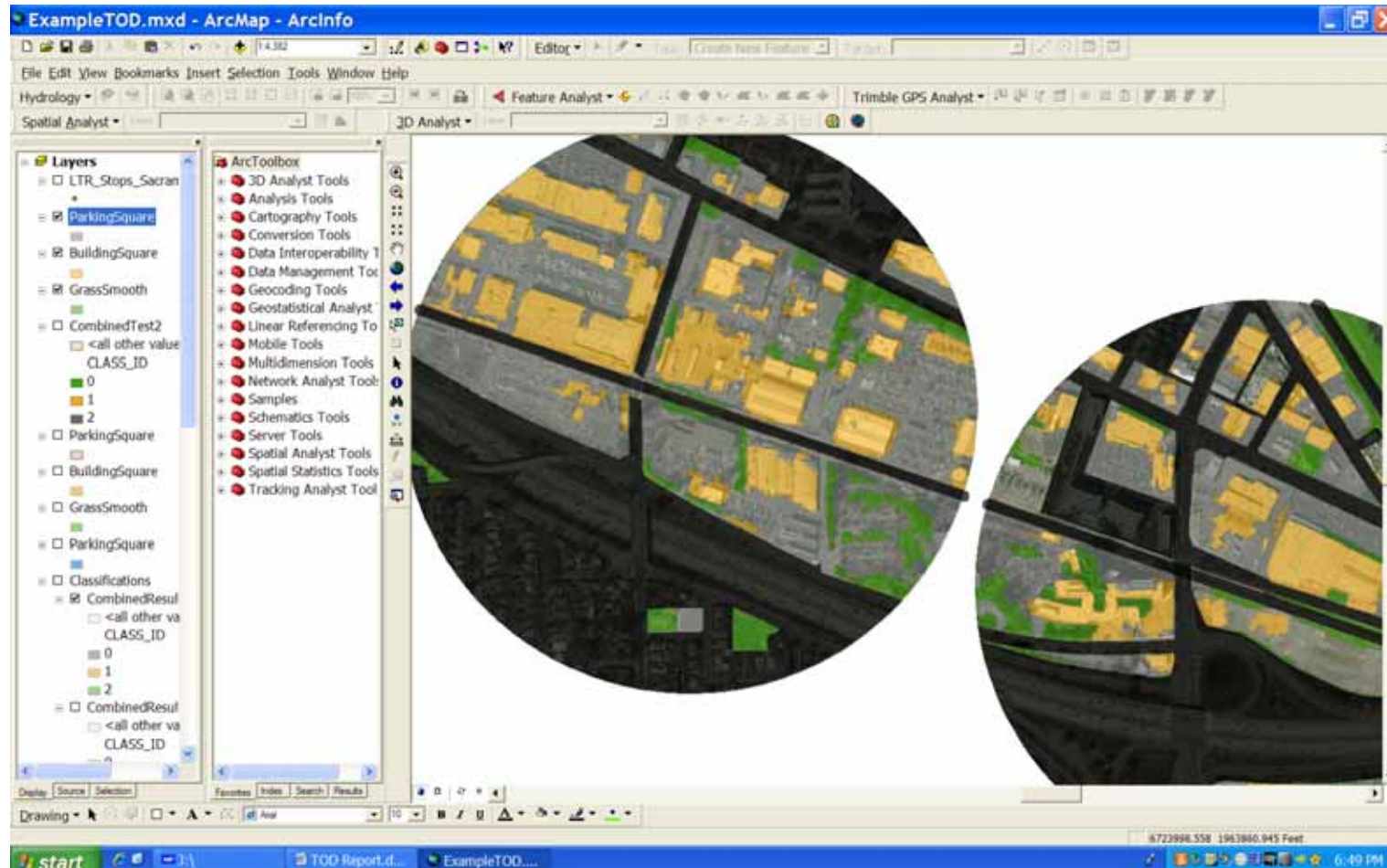
Third Result Suburban



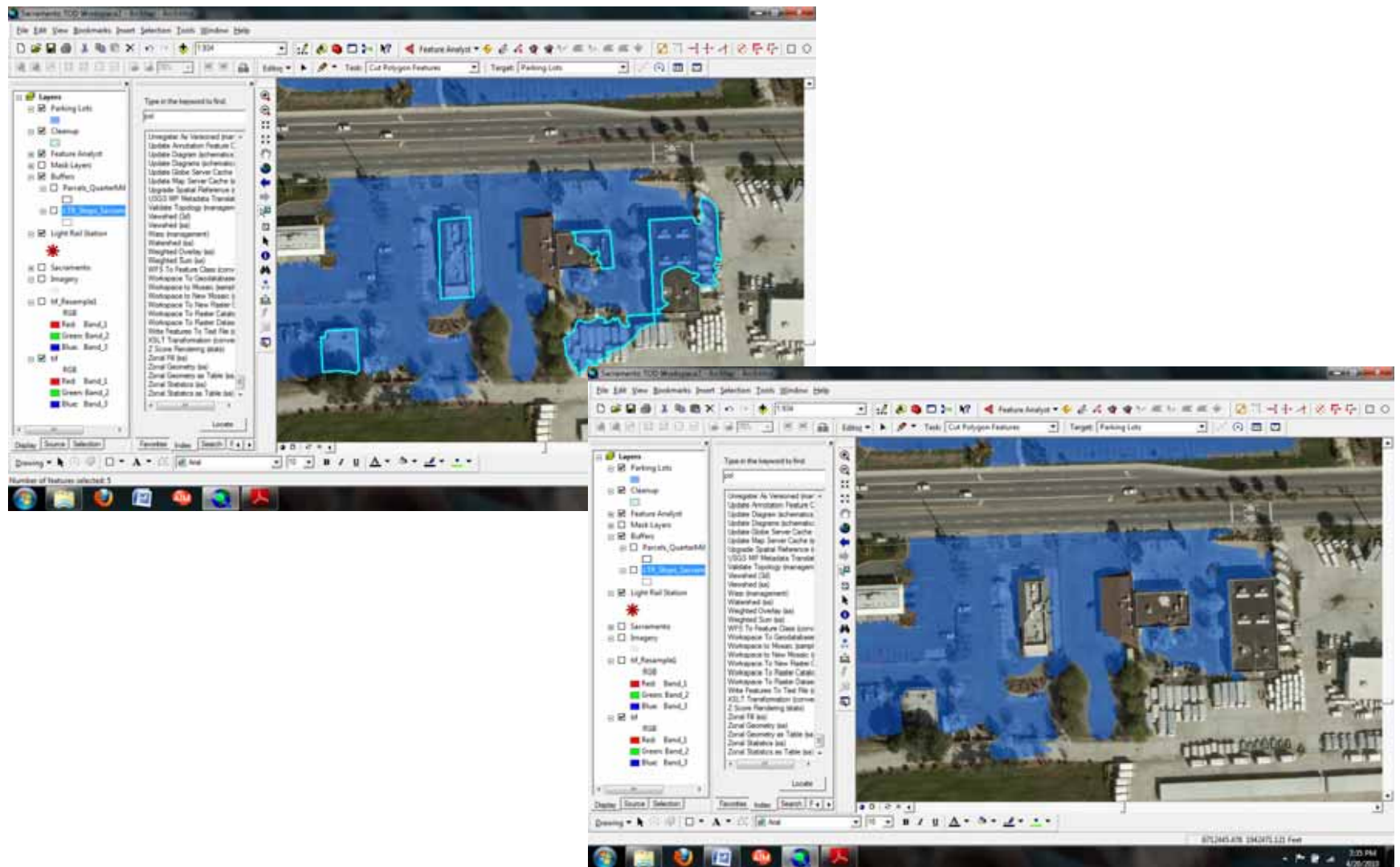
Third Result Urban



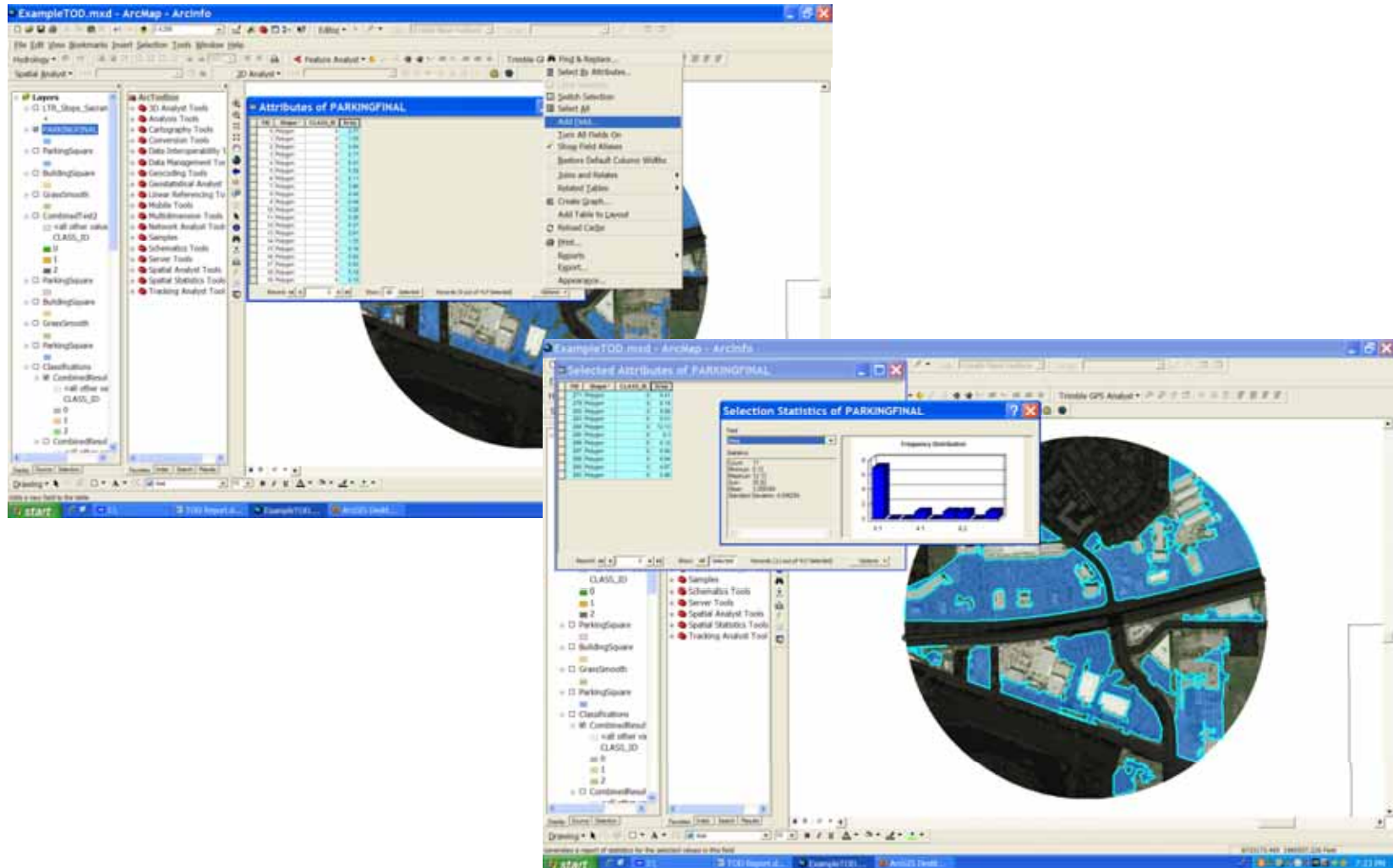
Squaring and Smoothing



Post Feature Analyst Editing



Finding Parking Lot Acreage



12th and I Street
10.39 Acres



13th Street
9.49 Acres



- Parking Lots
- Light Rail Station
- LTR_Stops_Sacramento_QuarterMile

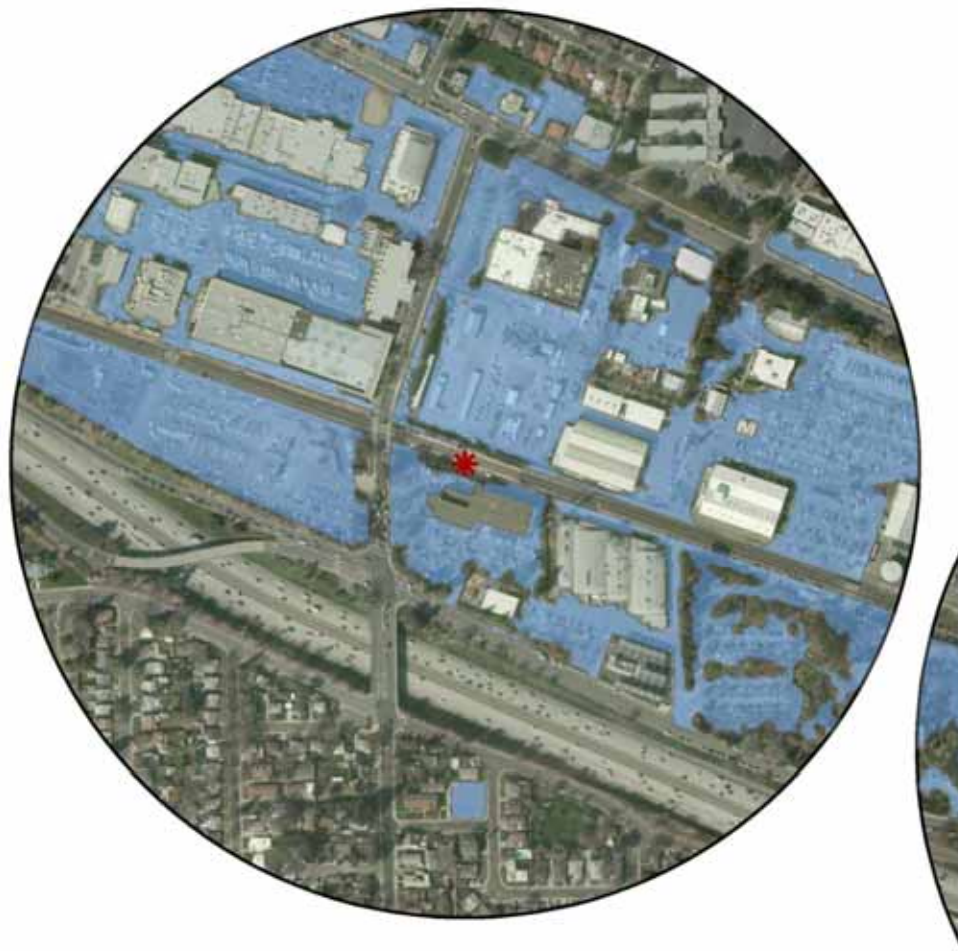
16th Street

7.46 Acres



-  Parking Lots
-  Light Rail Station
- LTR_Stops_Sacramento_QuarterMile

59th Street
42.03 Acres



-  Parking Lots
-  Light Rail Station
-  LTR_Stops_Sacramento_QuarterMile

College Greens

29.06 Acres



-  Parking Lots
-  Light Rail Station
-  LTR_Stops_Sacramento_QuarterMile

Florin

22.65 Acres



-  Parking Lots
-  Light Rail Station

In Retrospect

- Broken project down into Downtown, Inner Suburbs and Outer Suburbs with test sites tailored for each location.
- Masked out Industrial areas
- Used high quality imagery if time was not a constraint.