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# Weed Out Invasive Species with **PhragFinder**

Invasive plants like *Phragmites australis* pose serious threats to ecosystems, choking out native species, degrading wildlife habitat, increasing fire risk, and even endangering public safety. Manual identification can be time-intensive and prone to inconsistencies or inaccuracies, especially in complex environments. Environmental science professionals responsible for wetland assessments, chemical control planning, and long-term species suppression must navigate these limitations, which can delay remediation efforts, increase operational costs, and compromise ecological outcomes.

**PhragFinder**, available on the BRYX platform, is a machine learning model that optimizes this process by applying artificial intelligence to automatically detect phragmites in high-resolution aerial imagery. **PhragFinder** enables precise, location-based intervention strategies, empowering environmental consultants to accelerate site assessments, minimize chemical treatment use, and manage invasive phragmites effectively.

## Greenlight the Management of Aggressive Species

**PhragFinder** uses instance segmentation to analyze drone imagery, generating geo-referenced polygons of phragmites.



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# Precise, Efficient Species Management

**PhragFinder** quickly identifies phragmites and generates GIS-ready DXF and shapefiles, enabling rapid analysis. It fits seamlessly into workflows, helping teams work faster, estimate better, treat smarter, and protect sensitive landscapes effectively.

## Minimize Tech Hassles

**PhragFinder** automatically analyzes UAV imagery to detect and highlight encroaching phragmites, removing the need for extensive technical expertise.

## Zero in on Treatment Zones

**PhragFinder** improves mitigation accuracy, saving resources that can be reallocated to expand acreage covered and perform additional habitat recovery activities.

## Lower Environmental Risk

By pinpointing phragmites, **PhragFinder** enables highly targeted chemical application—reducing herbicide exposure risks, limiting chemical use, avoiding non-target species, and preserving fragile ecological zones.

## Say Goodbye to Manual Mapping

Streamline invasive species management by drastically reducing time spent on manual mapping and fieldwork. Simply upload drone imagery, and **PhragFinder** automatically detects phragmites, generating ready-to-use shapefiles for drone sprayers. No need to trace polygons in software or walk fields with a GPS—**PhragFinder** does it all.

With faster, more accurate detection and minimal effort, teams can focus on treatment and recovery. Let automation handle the heavy lifting for effective species management.



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