

# Value of better information for the forest sector

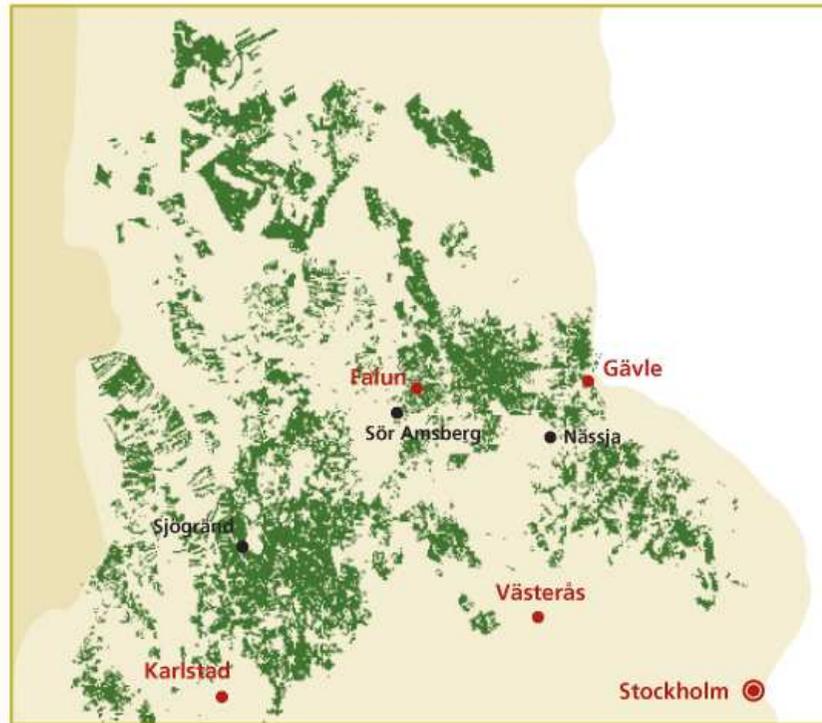
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# Bergvik Skog in Sweden

## BERGVIK SKOG



■ Bergvik Skog ABs markinnehav  
● Plantskolor

- ▶ 2,3 mill. ha land
  - ▶ 5,6 % of Sweden
  - ▶ 1,9 mill. ha forest land
  - ▶ 8,4 % of Swedish forest land
- ▶ Yearly growth about 9,3 million m<sup>3</sup>sub
- ▶ Yearly harvesting 7,0 million m<sup>3</sup>sub
- ▶ 3 nurseries
- ▶ Turnover about 3 billion SEK

# Owners

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### Industrial

**48,3%**

- Stora Enso
- Korsnäs

43,3%

5,0%

### Financial

**51,7%**

- Länsförsäkringar 14,9%
- FAM 12,5%
- Storebrand 8,2%
- Kåpan Pensioner 5,0%
- Tredje AP-fonden 4,9%
- Other institutional and private owners 6,2%

# About Bergvik Skog AB

**BERGVIK SKOG**

- Unique situation, interface to external contractors at the strategic-tactical-operational level.
  - Short term forest management agreement with Stora Enso and Korsnäs.
  - Long term wood sales agreement with Stora Enso and Korsnäs.

→ Good forest information at these levels are critical for our business.

# Forest information sources

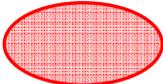
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- Stand register
  - + Comprehensive
  - + Low cost
  - Poor data quality
- Company-wide calliper inventory
  - + High data quality
  - + Detailed
  - High cost
  - Sample
- Airborne Laser Scanning (ALS) data
  - + Comprehensive
  - + Low cost
  - + High data quality
  - + Detailed

# Example of data quality impact in one thinning stand

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Relative standard errors:  
(internal information from one area)

  
95% confidence interval

Stand register

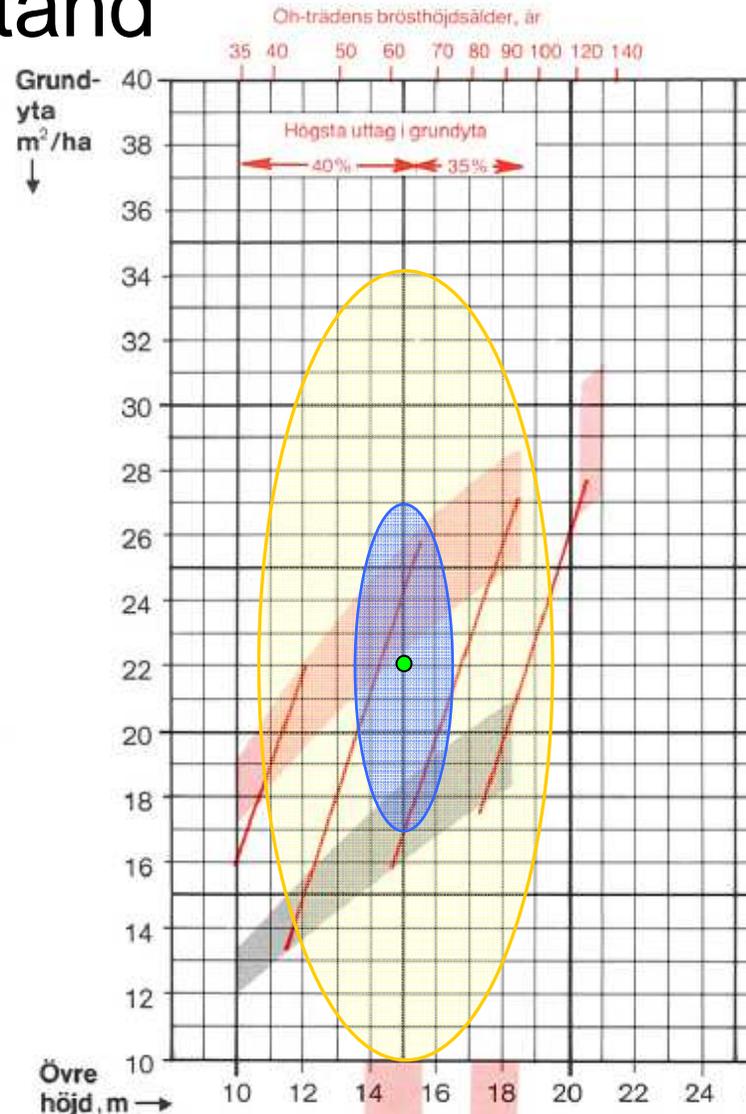
- Height 17%
- Basal area 35%

Laser inventory data

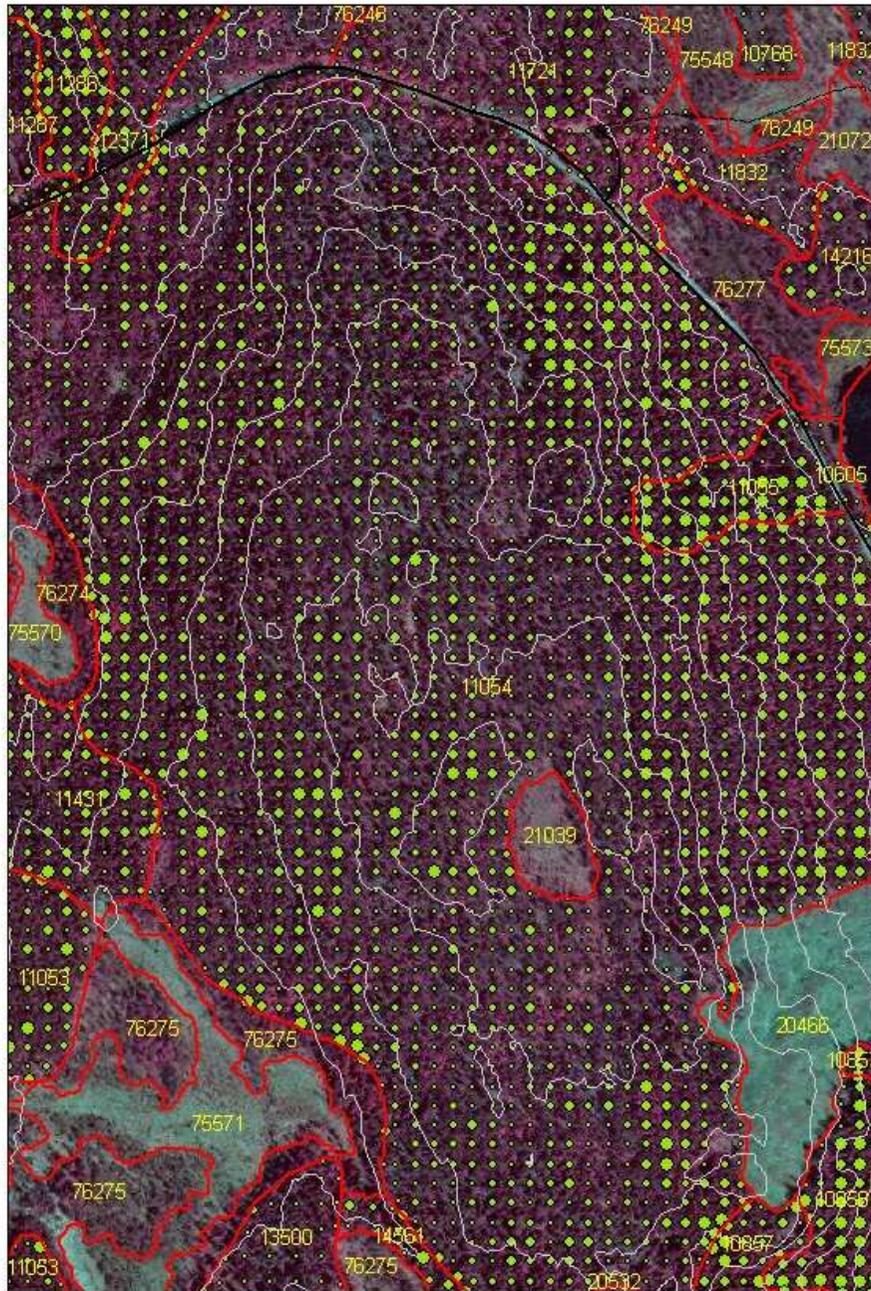
- Height 5%
- Basal area 12%

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Basal area



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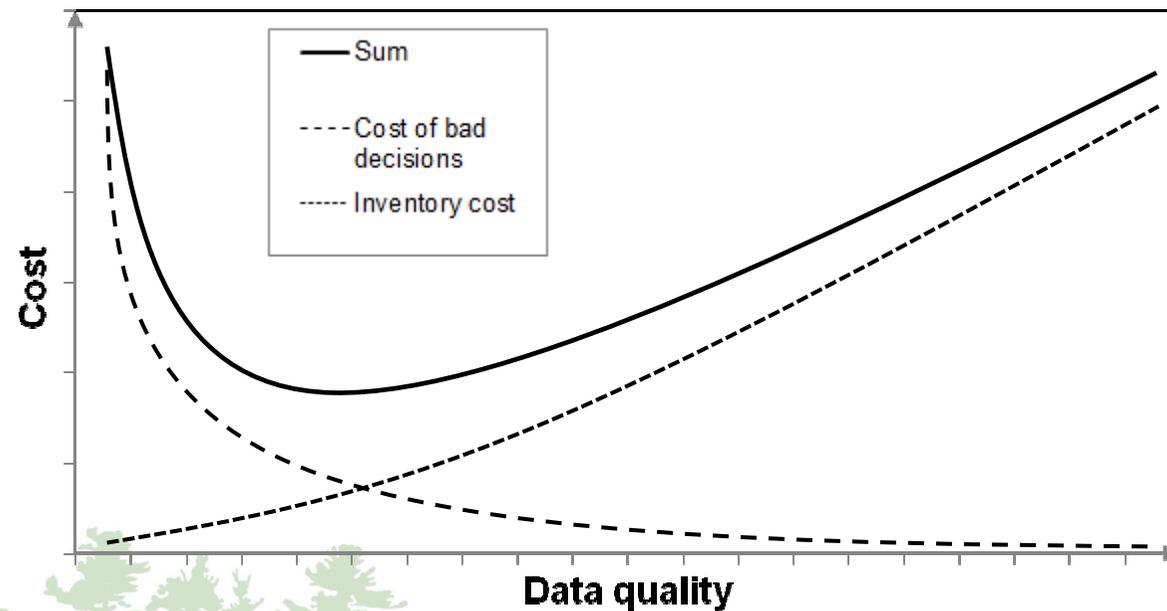


- Illustration of how information from airborne laser scanning can be used as base for planning of thinning.
- Big dot – need for thinning
- Small dot - little or no need for thinning

But...

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- Good data quality is not a goal in itself
- Cost-plus-loss approach:



# Usage of forest information at BERGVIK SKOG Bergvik Skog AB

	<b>Current data source (based on experience and simple cost-plus- loss reasoning)</b>
Sales/contracting planning	Stand register
Forest management guideline making	Stand register
Forest land trading	Stand register + field controll
Strategic planning of forest management	Stand register + company- wide inventory
Financial valuation of the company assets	Company-wide inventory

# Usage of forest information at BERGVIK SKOG Bergvik Skog AB

	<b>New data source</b>
Sales/contracting planning	ALS data
Forest management guideline making	ALS data
Forest land trading	ALS data
Strategic planning of forest management	ALS data + other measurements
Financial valuation of the company assets	ALS data + other measurements

# Final words

**BERGVIK SKOG**

- Our decision is based on a number of identified advantages like
  - Lower costs in operative planning
  - Lower costs for updating of stand register
  - Better data quality in stand register
  - Better quality in decision making
  - Better timing
- The new ALS data will bring other still unknown advantages.

**WE WILL MAKE THE MOST  
OUT OF OUR INVESTMENT  
AND SUPPORT FURTHER  
DEVELOPMENT!**

**THANK YOU!**

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