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Dear Mary:

I wanted to take a moment to thank SDView for their grant to Esther Mosase. The SDView grant was really valuable for data acquisition in Esther’s work. She used the grant moneys to purchase representative GeoEye high resolution imagery to validate her results obtained though multispectral water indices. The results were amazing and quite exciting. With this assurance, Esther can now continue with the approach she has developed to successfully map water bodies in her study watershed.

My research group is moving more and more toward hydrologic applications of remote sensing and SDView will be the first place I will look at for Landsat and other public domain remotely sensed satellite data, and collaboration on projects of common interest. This new research direction and associated opportunities will provide our students with a quality education by developing valuable technical skills that they can apply towards future employment after they have graduated from South Dakota State University.

Sincerely,

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