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- a. **BOOKS:**  
Falkner E. 1995. *Aerial Mapping: Methods and Applications* Lewis Publishers Boca Raton Florida 322 p.
  - b. **ARTICLES (OR CHAPTERS) IN A BOOK:**  
Zhang, X., Y. Zhao, M. S. Ashton, and X. Lee. 2012. Measuring carbon in forests In *Managing Forest Carbon in a Changing Climate*. Dordrecht, the Netherlands: Springer, pp. 139–164. [https://doi.org/10.1007/978-94-007-2232-3\\_7](https://doi.org/10.1007/978-94-007-2232-3_7).
  - c. **JOURNAL ARTICLES:**  
Abd Rasid, N. S., M. N. Naim, H. C. Man, N. F. Abu Bakar, and M. N. Mokhtar. 2019. Evaluation of surface water treated with lotus plant; *Nelumbo nucifera*. *Journal of Environmental Chemical Engineering* 7(3):103048.
  - d. **PROCEEDINGS (PRINTED):**  
Davidson J.M., D.M. Rizzo, M. Garbelotto, S. Tjosvold, and G.W. Slaughter 2002. *Phytophthora ramorum* and sudden oak death in California: II. Transmission and survival, *Proceedings of the Fifth Symposium on Oak Woodlands: Oaks in California's Changing Landscape* 23-25 October 2001 San Diego California (USDA Forest Service General Technical Report PSW-GTR-184 Pacific Southwest Forest and Range Experiment Station Berkeley California) pp. 741-749.
  - e. **PROCEEDINGS (CD-ROM):**  
Cook J.D. and L.D. Ferdinand 2001. Geometric fidelity of Ikonos imagery *Proceedings of the ASPRS 2001 Annual Convention* 23- 27 April St. Louis Missouri (American Society for Photogrammetry and Remote Sensing Bethesda Maryland) unpaginated CD-ROM.
  - f. **THESIS AND DISSERTATIONS:**  
Yang W. 1997. *Effects of Spatial Resolution and Landscape Structure on Land Cover Characterization* Ph.D. dissertation University of Nebraska-Lincoln Lincoln Nebraska 336 p.
  - g. **WEBSITE REFERENCES:**  
Diaz H.F. 1997. Precipitation trends and water consumption in the southwestern United States USGS Web Conference URL:  
<http://geochange.er.usgs.gov/sw/changes/natural/diaz/> U.S. Geological Survey Reston Virginia (last date accessed: 15 May 2002).
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