

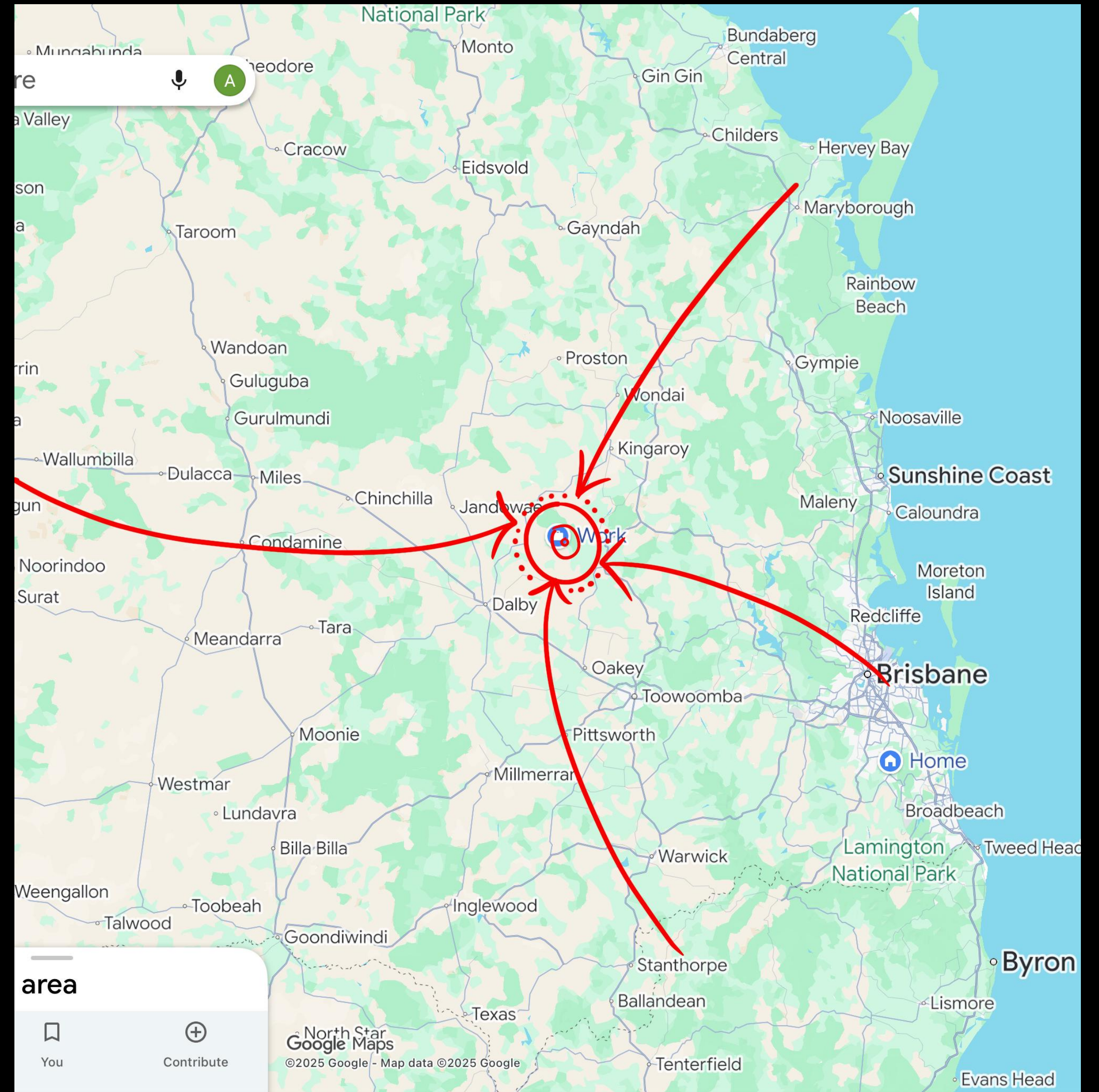
Cultural land management

BPAC and First Nations land management

Adrian Bauwens

Bunya Mountains

Its a lot of walking...



Phytophthora

Impacts on Culture and ecosystems



Lack of awareness is a vector

Cultural burns

The vitality of Australian ecosystems

“Western fire regimes are based on hazard reduction, and they don’t see all the connections and layers that make up Aboriginal fire knowledge.”

Victor Steffensen - Firesticks

Significance of fire

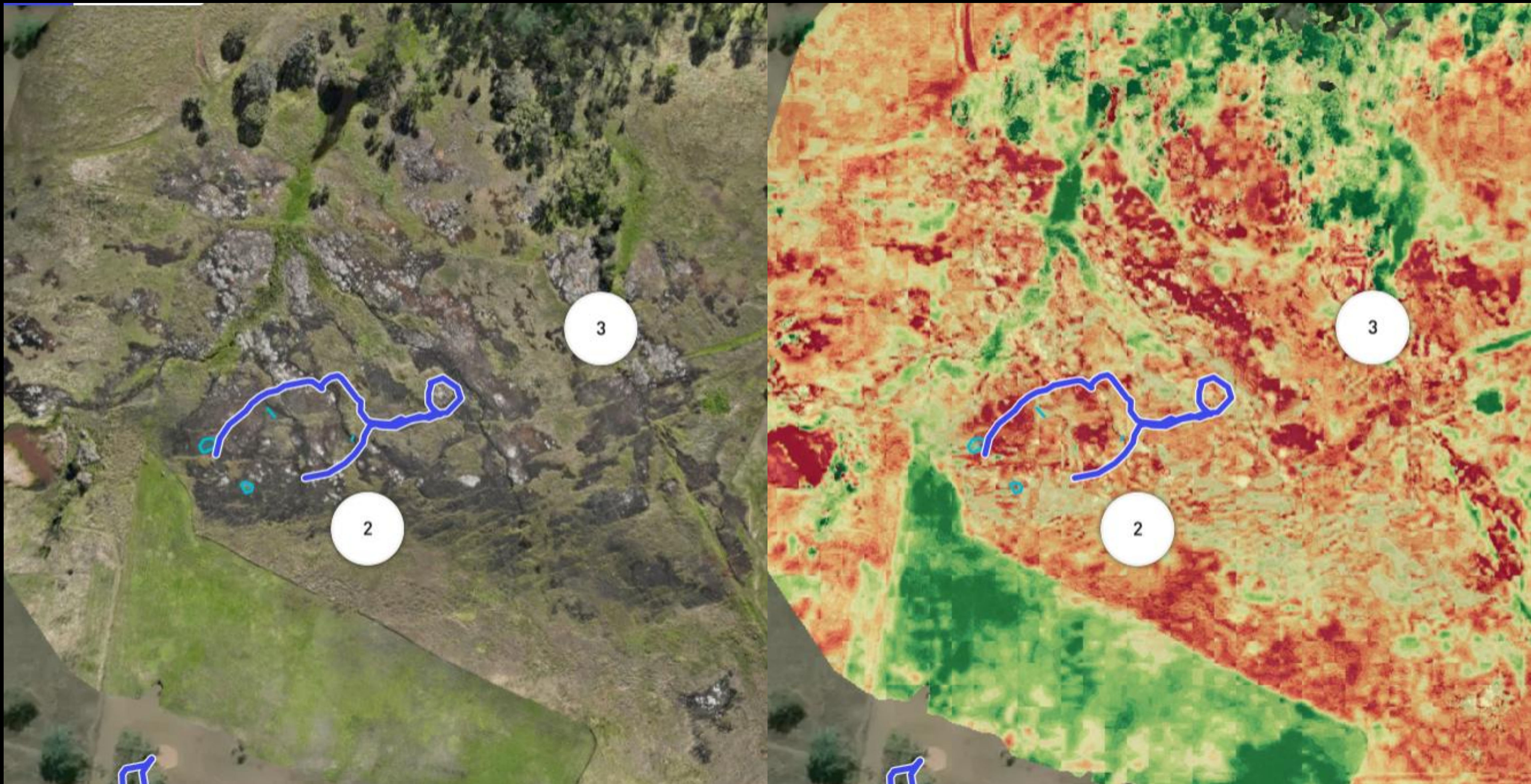
Impacts of cultural burns on country

- Cultural connections and knowledges - Sing out, and fauna activity
- Physical cleaning through fire, and spiritual cleansing through smoke
- Fauna and flora evolution around fire - behavioural and biological traits e.g. Kites, Eucalyptus, grasses and insects
- Habitat / Ecosystems restoration - e.g. Sunskink and Bluegrass
- Promotion of native species



“Nobody let country know about all the fence lines and boundaries”

Shannon Bauwens - BPAC



Country tells story