

SkyTruth in Focus: December 2025



Momentum and change: Looking ahead to 2026

As I reflect on 2025, it's clear SkyTruth has delivered its strongest year of conservation impact yet. Our technology and insights supported advocates, journalists, governments, and researchers in over 30 countries—reinforcing SkyTruth's strategic role in global environmental accountability.

SkyTruth's 2025 highlights include:

- Groundbreaking reports that identified and ranked the world's most polluting offshore oil and gas facilities and revealed chronic oil pollution and environmental threats from Brazil's offshore oil and gas expansion.
- Game-changing investigative capabilities in Cerulean, our global system for identifying ocean oil polluters, enabling users to pinpoint pollution from oil and gas infrastructure, "dark vessels," and natural seeps, as well as a slick verification feature that directly connects users with SkyTruth experts to validate AI detections.
- New campaign-ready regional insights for our 30x30 Project Tracker, which makes it easy for anyone to understand how the world is progressing toward the global goal of protecting 30% of land and ocean by 2030—and how effective those protections really are.

- Headline-grabbing campaigns and investigations, such as Cerulean-powered investigations by Greenpeace in Romania and Bulgaria that revealed over 400 oil and fuel slicks in the Black Sea.
- Recognition on the Forbes Sustainability Leaders List, as an Anthem Awards winner for Best Use of Data, and in outlets such as Politico, Mongabay, and Stanford Social Innovation Review.

The year has also been a time of growth and change. I'm thrilled that we've added four talented staff members, bolstering our Technology, Impact, and Operations teams. I'm also sad to note that our excellent Chief Technology Officer, Jason Schatz, is moving on to a new opportunity. In his three and a half years of leadership, Jason has built a remarkably capable, collaborative, and productive tech team that is firing on all cylinders. Because of this, SkyTruth has become, in Jason's words, a "high-leverage opportunity"—an engine for building some of the most innovative and consequential technologies that strengthen the global environmental movement.

We are grateful for Jason's leadership and confident that we will attract a highly skilled and motivated leader to step into our next chapter as CTO. (If this might be you, read on to learn more about the role and how to apply.)

As we look ahead to 2026, SkyTruth enters the year with stronger tools, deeper partnerships, and a clearer path toward scaling our impact, expanding what's possible when open data, satellite imagery, and public interest technology work together to protect people and the planet.

None of this would be possible without the generous support of our funders and the continued trust and engagement of our partners and users. We are deeply grateful to you and look forward to building on this momentum in the year ahead!



John Amos

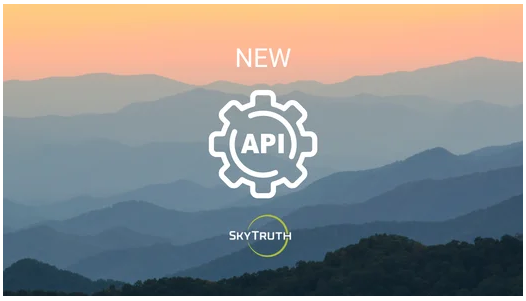
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What's New



Release: Mountaintop Mining Data API

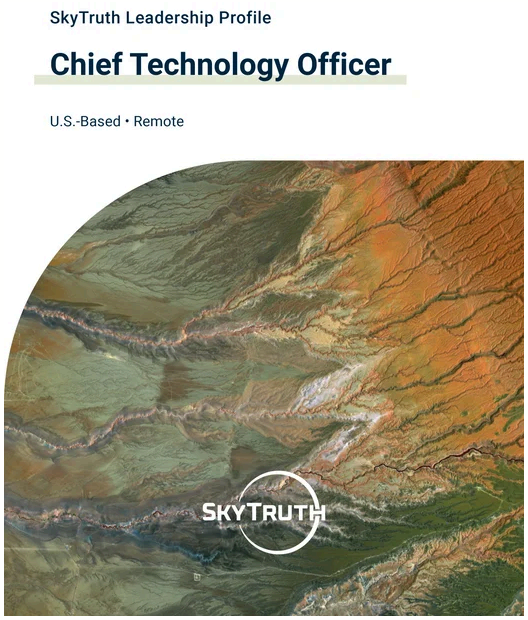
Our new API provides access to mountaintop mining data, allowing for convenient interaction with an expanding range of data products. See how it can be used and how it will continue to grow over the coming year in our latest blog post.



Workshop Continues Vital Work to Protect Peru's Natural Protected Areas

Peru's spectacular protected areas are managed by SERNANP, an agency we regularly support with staff training sessions on our Monitor platform. Learn more and see demos from a recent workshop on our blog – available in both English and Spanish!

Leadership Opportunity: Conservation Technology



We are seeking a Chief Technology Officer (CTO) to lead our growing conservation technology program. This vital role will:

- Shape our technology strategy
- Manage a multidisciplinary engineering, science, and product team

- Drive the development of innovative, user-centered tools and analytics that power climate action, biodiversity protection, and environmental justice

SkyTruth offers a unique opportunity to the right candidate: we are a leader in applying satellite imagery, geospatial data, and AI to deploy world-changing solutions to the world's most pressing conservation challenges. We are lean enough to move quickly on new opportunities and deep enough to deliver world-class tools and products — free to our growing global network of users and partners. If you want to focus your energy on meaningful work that benefits people and the planet, SkyTruth is the place for you.

As a member of our executive leadership team, the CTO will help chart the organization's future at the leading edge of remote sensing, machine learning, data science, cloud computing, and geospatial technology. The CTO will work closely with the team to identify strategic opportunities and funding sources, ensuring that we are deploying technology solutions that are not only cutting-edge but also practical, widely accessible, and game-changing for the diverse users and partners that we serve.

Interested in being the technology leader who conceives of, designs, and builds the next Global Fishing Watch? Find the full details online or download the PDF applicant packet– the position will be open until 5 p.m. ET on January 20, 2026.

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