"Clip" a GRID Using a Polygon Shapefile

These instructions enable you to clip a grid theme in ArcView 3.2 using the following required extensions:

- Spatial Analyst
- Grid Analyst

Note: Grid Analyst has a lot of other functionality for working with grids.

ORIGINAL DATA THEMES

Boundary.shpa polygon shapefileDEMsample raster grid file

CREATED DATA THEME

DEM_BND the clipped/extracted grid

Start the ArcView project:

- 1. Open ArcView and create a new project (if needed)
- 2. Load the extensions
- 3. Add the grid and polygon themes to a new view
- 4. Optionally, select particular polygon(s) or use the entire shapefile

Clip the grid by the polygon:

- 5. Make the [DEM] grid the active theme
- 6. Choose GRID ANALYST → EXTRACT GRID THEME USING POLYGON
- 7. Click YES to continue
- 8. Select the desired polygon theme [Boundary.shp] from the drop down list to use in the clip
- 9. Click OK
- 10. Click YES to continue (Notice that you may also clip using selected polygons)

Save the new grid theme:

- 11. Make the new grid the active theme
- 12. Choose THEME → CONVERT TO GRID...
- 13. Give this new grid theme a name and save it in your working directory; e.g. [DEM_BND]