

## Much ado about emission modeling ...

*Sigh no more, [colleagues], sigh no more,  
[Emissions] were deceivers ever,  
One foot in sea and one on shore,  
To one thing constant never. \**

*\*w/ apologies to Wm. Shakespeare, from Much Ado About Nothing.*

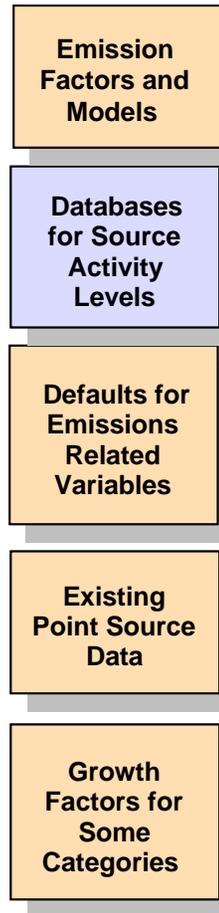
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# Much ado about emission modeling support and research ...

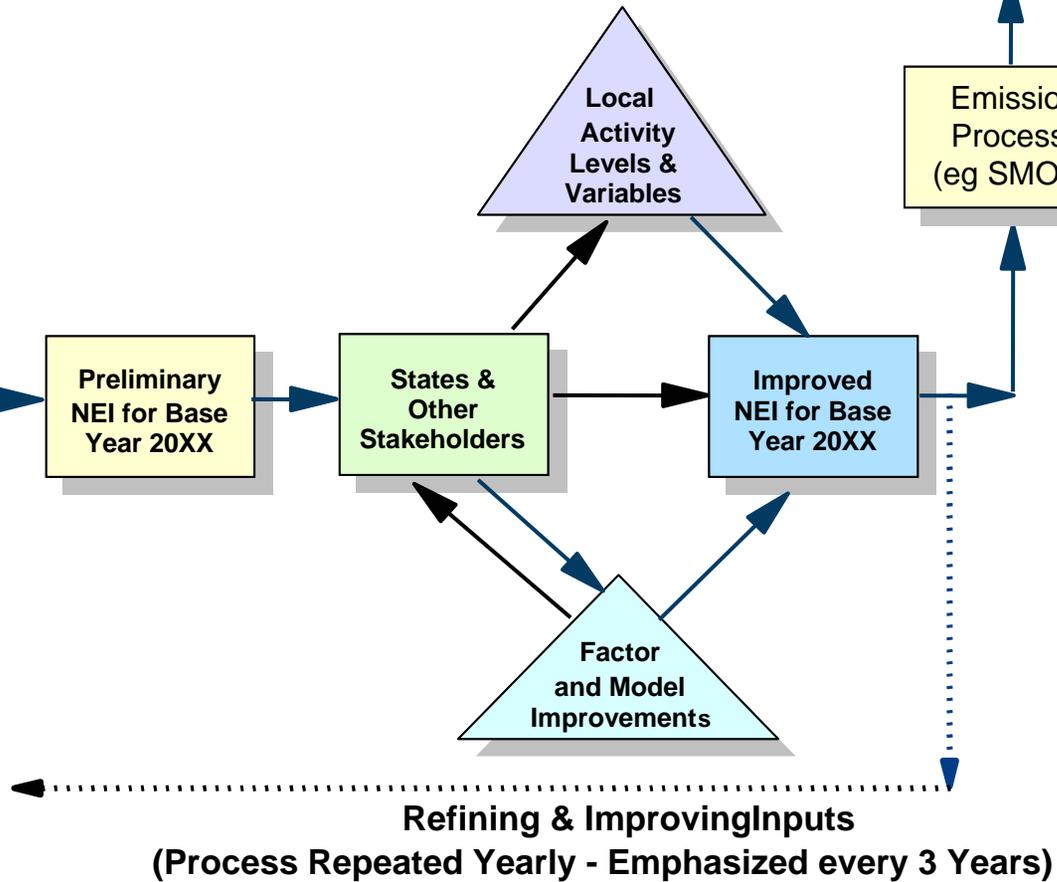
- **AMD's role:** To obtain the best available emission estimate data for regional air quality modeling; to improve these estimates by building emission models that account for meteorological conditions; and, to develop innovative ways of evaluating emissions.
- **AMD staff:** W. Benjey, T. Pierce, G. Pouliot (w/ contributions from J. Ching, D. Gillette, A. Gilliland, G. Gipson, P. Bhave, and J. Godowitch)
- **Outside collaborators:** EPA/OAQPS, EPA/ORD, RPOs, States/EIIP, CSC, USFS, IGAC/GEIA, Environment Canada, NCAR, and university researchers.
- **Selected R&D areas:** [SMOKE](#), geographical data files, [air quality forecasting](#), [biogenic emissions](#), sea salt, [fugitive dust](#), and NH<sub>3</sub> inverse modeling

# EPA's National Emissions Inventory

## Starting Point for NEI



## State / Local / Tribe Improvements



**AMD's role**

# **Much ado about emission modeling ...**

## **Purpose:**

- to report on emission focus areas w/in AMD
- to suggest topics for future research
- to encourage collaboration

## **Outline:**

- Ammonia
- Biogenic emissions
- Fugitive dust
- Air quality forecasting
- Wildfires

# Much ado about ammonia emissions ...

- 1994 – Battye et al., Development and selection of ammonia factors (EPA work assignment, W. Benjey)
- 1999 – Pierce and Bender, Examining the temporal variability of ammonia and nitric oxide emissions from agricultural processes ([www.epa.gov/asmdnerl/awma\\_ei99.pdf](http://www.epa.gov/asmdnerl/awma_ei99.pdf))
- 2000 – CMU NH3 emissions model ([www.cmu.edu/ammonia](http://www.cmu.edu/ammonia))
- 2003 – Gilliland et al., Seasonal NH3 emission estimates for the eastern United States based on ammonium wet concentrations and an inverse modeling method, J. Geophys. Res., 108 (D15), 4477, doi: 10.1029/2002JD003063.
- 2004 – National Emission Inventory - Ammonia Emissions from Animal Husbandry Operations, Draft Report ([www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/net/2002inventory.html](http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/net/2002inventory.html))
- 2004 – Battye and Barrows, Review of ammonia emission modeling techniques for natural landscapes and fertilized soils, Draft Report (avbl for review at [www.epa.gov/ttn/chief](http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief))

## Much ado about ammonia emissions ...

### 1998 National Emission Inventory for the U.S.

Source	NH <sub>3</sub> emissions (x1000 tons)
Animal husbandry	3,520
Fertilizer	724
Industrial	691
Natural	0
Total	4,935

# National Emission Inventory - Ammonia Emissions from Animal Husbandry Operations, Draft Report (2004)

Table 4-3. Comparison of 1999 and 2002 Ammonia NEIs

Animal Group	1999 NEI			2002 NEI		
	Population	Emission Factor (lb/head/yr)	Emissions (tons/yr)	Population	Emission Factor (lb/head/yr)	Emissions (tons/yr)
Cattle and Calves Composite	100,126,106	50.5	2,528,184	100,939,728	24.1	1,214,742
Hogs and Pigs Composite	63,095,955	20.3	640,424	59,978,850	14.32	429,468
Poultry and Chickens Composite	1,754,482,225	0.394	345,633	2,201,945,253	0.60	664,238
Sheep	6,768,448	7.43	25,144	6,685,000	7.43	24,835
Goats	1,820,268	14.1	12,833	1,989,799	14.1	14,028
Horses	2,578,238	26.9	34,677	5,300,000	26.9	71,285
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,928,871,240</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>3,586,896</b>	<b>2,376,838,630</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>2,418,595</b>

NA = Not applicable

33% reduction in NH<sub>3</sub> emissions

# Review of Ammonia Emission Modeling Techniques for Natural Landscapes and Fertilized Soils, Draft Report

Recommended Default Emission Factors for Natural Landscapes

Vegetation	Emission factors ( $\text{ng m}^{-2} \text{s}^{-1}$ )	Estimated emissions in continental US (Gg/yr)
Forests	1.2	58
Grasslands	0.9	32
Shrublands	1.3	46
Deserts	0.3	<1
Total		137

=> ~5% of total U.S. inventory

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Proposed temporal adjustment factors for NH<sub>3</sub> emissions from natural landscapes

## Proposed seasonal allocation:

Spring = 0.143  
Summer = 0.714  
Autumn = 0.143  
Winter = 0.000

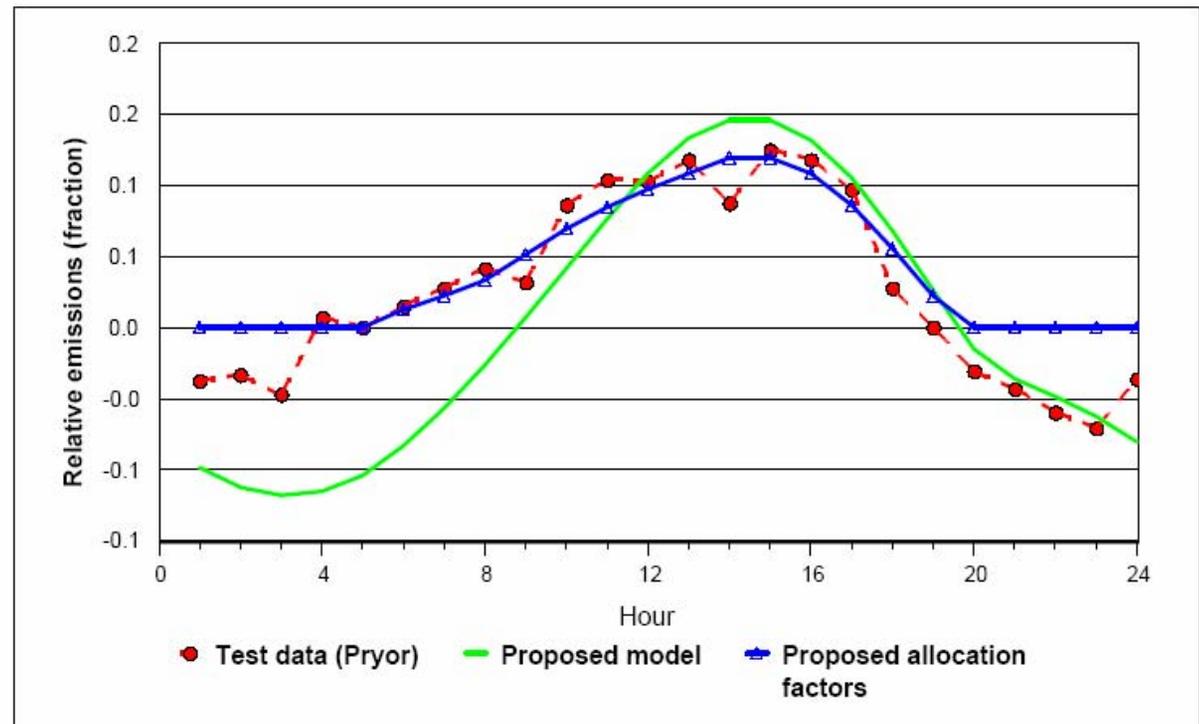


Figure 8. Comparison of proposed diurnal allocation factors with measured and modeled diurnal values.

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Proposed temporal adjustment factors for NH<sub>3</sub> emissions from fertilized soils

**Proposed seasonal allocation:**  
Use CMU's county-wide, monthly values

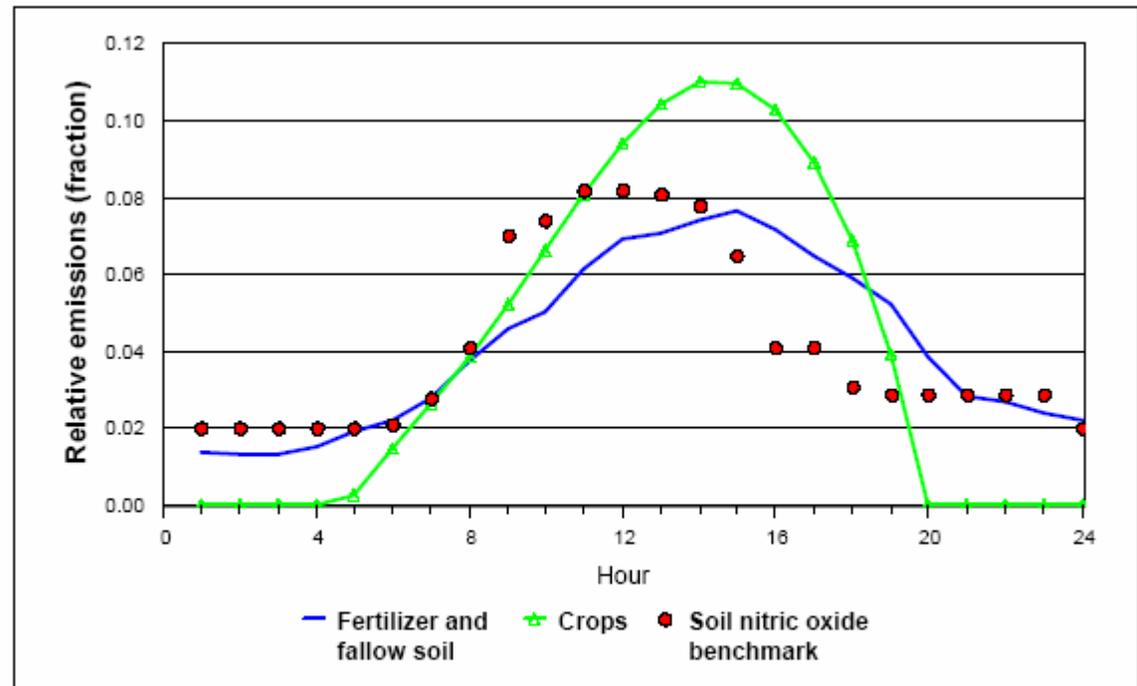


Figure 12. Diurnal allocation factors for NH<sub>3</sub> from fertilizer, crops, and fallow soil, compared with the profile for nitric oxide from soil.

## Much ado about biogenic emissions ...

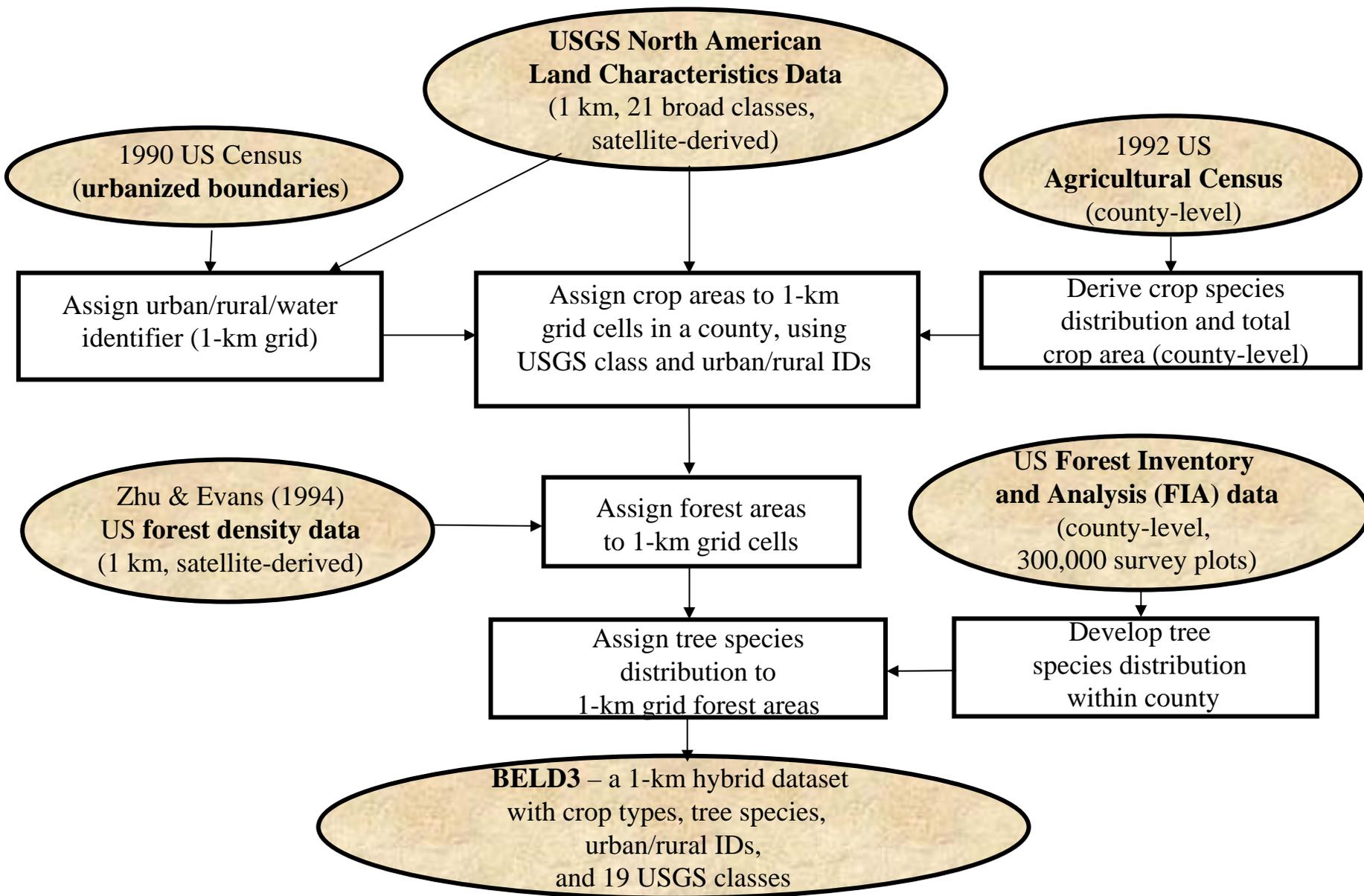
- **Biogenic Emissions Inventory System (BEIS):**
  - introduced by AMD in 1988 to estimate VOC emissions from vegetation and NO emissions from soils
- **BEIS3.09:**
  - current default version used for regulatory modeling
  - 1-km vegetation database (BELD3)
  - emission factors for isoprene, monoterpenes, OVOCs, and nitric oxide (NO)
  - environmental corrections for temperature and solar radiation (isoprene only)
  - speciation factors for the CBIV, RADM2, and SAPRC99 mechanisms

# Much ado about biogenic emissions ...

- **BEIS3.12:**

- current research version of CMAQ and in 2001 NEI
- emission factors for 34 chemicals, including 14 monoterpenes and methanol
- MBO, methanol, isoprene modulated by solar radiation
- soil NO dependent on soil moisture, crop canopy coverage, and fertilizer application
- avbl as a module to SMOKE and can be downloaded from [www.epa.gov/asmdnerl/biogen.html](http://www.epa.gov/asmdnerl/biogen.html)

# Creating Gridded Vegetation Data for the Biogenic Emissions Landuse Database (BELD3)



# BELD3 – 229 vegetation classes

USGS classes

Crop types (USDA)

USGS\_drycrop  
USGS\_irrcrop  
USGS\_cropgrass  
USGS\_cropwdlnd  
USGS\_grassland  
USGS\_shrubland  
USGS\_shrubgrass  
USGS\_savanna  
USGS\_decidfores  
USGS\_evbrdleaf  
USGS\_coniferfor  
USGS\_mxforest  
USGS\_water  
USGS\_wetwoods  
USGS\_sprsbaren  
USGS\_woodtundr  
USGS\_mxtundra  
USGS\_snowice  
USGS\_urban

Alfalfa  
Barley  
Corn  
Cotton  
Grass  
Hay  
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Rice  
Rye  
Sorghum  
Soybeans  
Tobacco  
Wheat

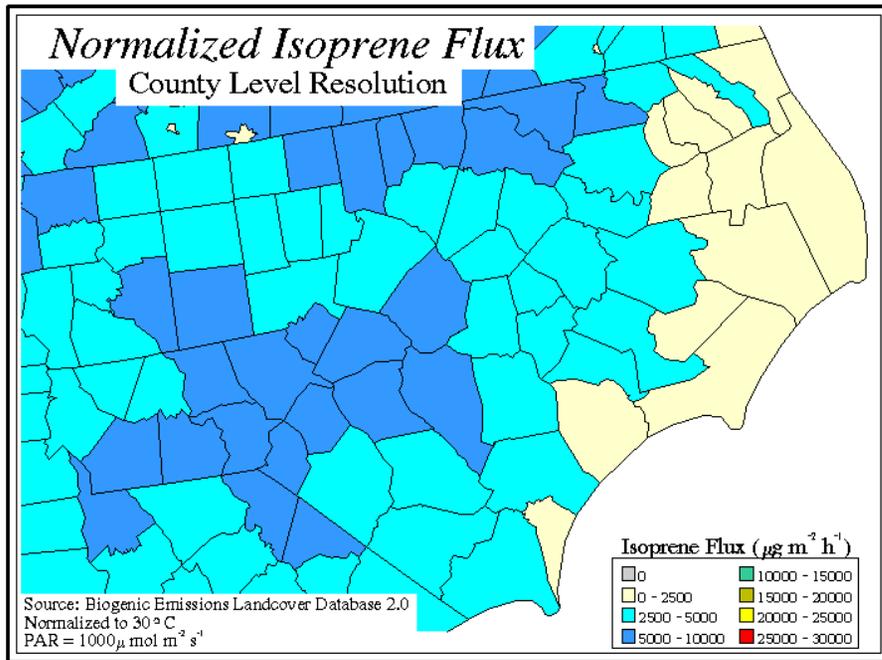
Acacia  
Ailanthus  
Alder  
Apple

Ash	Hemlock	Oak_CA_live	Persimmon	Pine_yellow
Basswood	Hickory	Oak_CA_white	Pine_Apache	Populus
Beech	Holly_American	Oak_canyon_live	Pine_Austrian	Prunus
Birch	Hornbeam	Oak_chestnut	Pine_AZ	Redbay
Bumelia_gum	Incense_cedar	Oak_chinkapin	Pine_Bishop	Robinia_locust
Cajeput	Juniper	Oak_delta_post	Pine_blackjack	Sassafras
Califor-laurel	KY_coffeetree	Oak_Durand	Pine_brstlccone	Sequoia
Cascara-buckthor	Larch	Oak_Emerly	Pine_chiuhahua	Serviceberry
Castanea	Loblolly_bay	Oak_Engelmann	Pine_Coulter	Silverbell
Catalpa	Madrone	Oak_evergreen	Pine_digger	Smoketree
Cedar_chamaecyp	Magnolia	Oak_Gambel	Pine_Ewhite	Soapberry_westr
Cedar_thuja	Mahogany	Oak_interio_liv	Pine_foxtail	Sourwood
Chestnut_buckey	Maple_bigleaf	Oak_laurel	Pine_jack	Sparkleberry
Chinaberry	Maple_bigtooth	Oak_live	Pine_Jeffrey	Spruce_black
Cypress_cupress	Maple_black	Oak_Mexicanblue	Pine_knobcone	Spruce_blue
Cypress_taxodiu	Maple_boxelder	Oak_Northrn_pin	Pine_limber	Spruce_Brewer
Dogwood	Maple_FL	Oak_Northrn_red	Pine_loblolly	Spruce_Engleman
Douglas_fir	Maple_mtn	Oak_nuttall	Pine_lodgepole	Spruce_Norway
East_hophornbea	Maple_Norway	Oak_OR_white	Pine_longleaf	Spruce_red
Elder	Maple_red	Oak_overcup	Pine_Monterey	Spruce_Sitka
Elm	Maple_RkyMtn	Oak_pin	Pine_pinyon	Spruce_spp
Eucalyptus	Maple_silver	Oak_post	Pine_pinyon_brd	Spruce_white
Fir_balsam	Maple_spp	Oak_scarlet	Pine_pinyon_cmn	Sweetgum
Fir_CA_red	Maple_stripped	Oak_scrub	Pine_pitch	Sycamore
Fir_corkbark	Maple_sugar	Oak_shingle	Pine_pond	Tallowtree-chins
Fir_fraser	Mesquite	Oak_Shumrd_red	Pine_ponderosa	Tamarix
Fir_grand	Misc-hardwoods	Oak_silverleaf	Pine_red	Tanoak
Fir_noble	Mixed_conifer	Oak_Southrn_red	Pine_sand	Torreya
Fir_Pacf_silver	Mountain_ash	Oak_spp	Pine_scotch	Tung-oil-tree
Fir_SantaLucia	Mulberry	Oak_swamp_cnut	Pine_shortleaf	Unknown_tree
Fir_Shasta_red	Nyssa	Oak_swamp_red	Pine_slash	Walnut
Fir_spp	Oak_AZ_white	Oak_swamp_white	Pine_spruce	Water-elm
Fir_subalpine	Oak_bear	Oak_turkey	Pine_sugar	Willow
Fir_white	Oak_black	Oak_water	Pine_Swwhite	Yellow_poplar
Gleditsia_locus	Oak_blackjack	Oak_white	Pine_tablemtn	Yellowwood
Hackberry	Oak_blue	Oak_willow	Pine_VA	Yucca_Mojave
Hawthorn	Oak_bluejack	Osage-orange	Pine_Washoe	
	Oak_bur	Paulownia	Pine_whitebark	
	Oak_CA_black	Pawpaw	Pine_Wwhite	

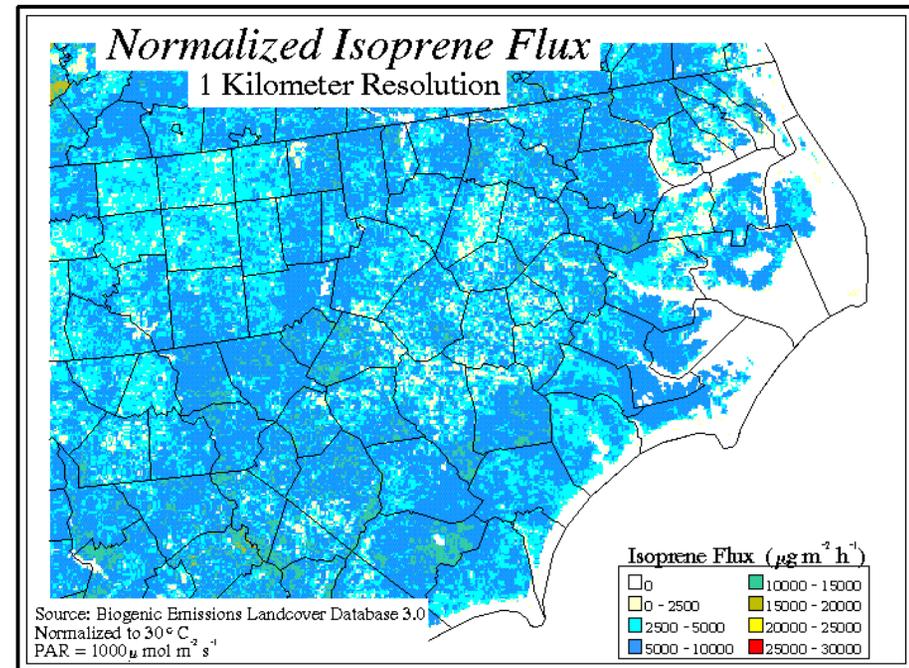
tree species/genera (FIA)

# BEIS3 - Improved spatial resolution

BEIS2/BELD2



BEIS3/BELD3



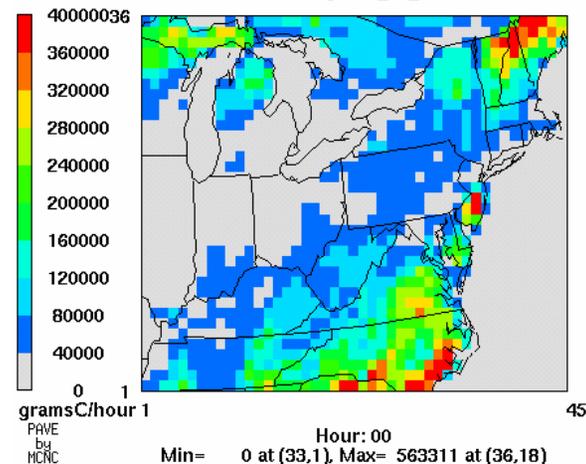
# BEIS3 – Chemical species

## 34 chemical species

isoprene	ethene
methyl-butenol	propene
a-pinene	ethanol
b-pinene	acetone
d3-carene	hexanal
d-limonene	hexenol
camphene	hexenylacetate
myrcene	formaldehyde
a-terpinene	acetaldehyde
b-phellandrene	butene
sabinene	ethane
p-cymene	formic acid
ocimene	acetic acid
a-thujene	butenone
terpinolene	carbon monoxide
g-terpinene	ORVOCs
methanol	nitric oxide

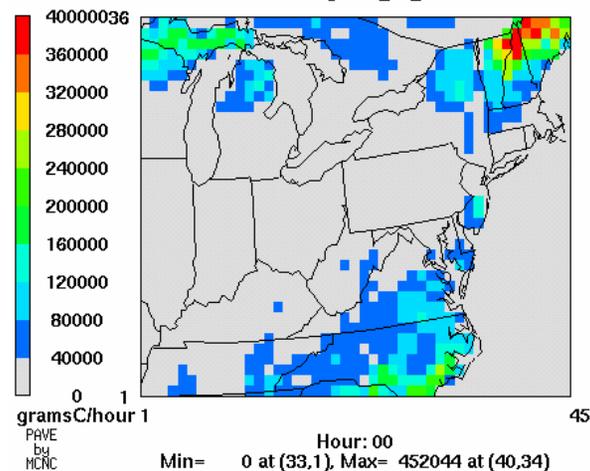
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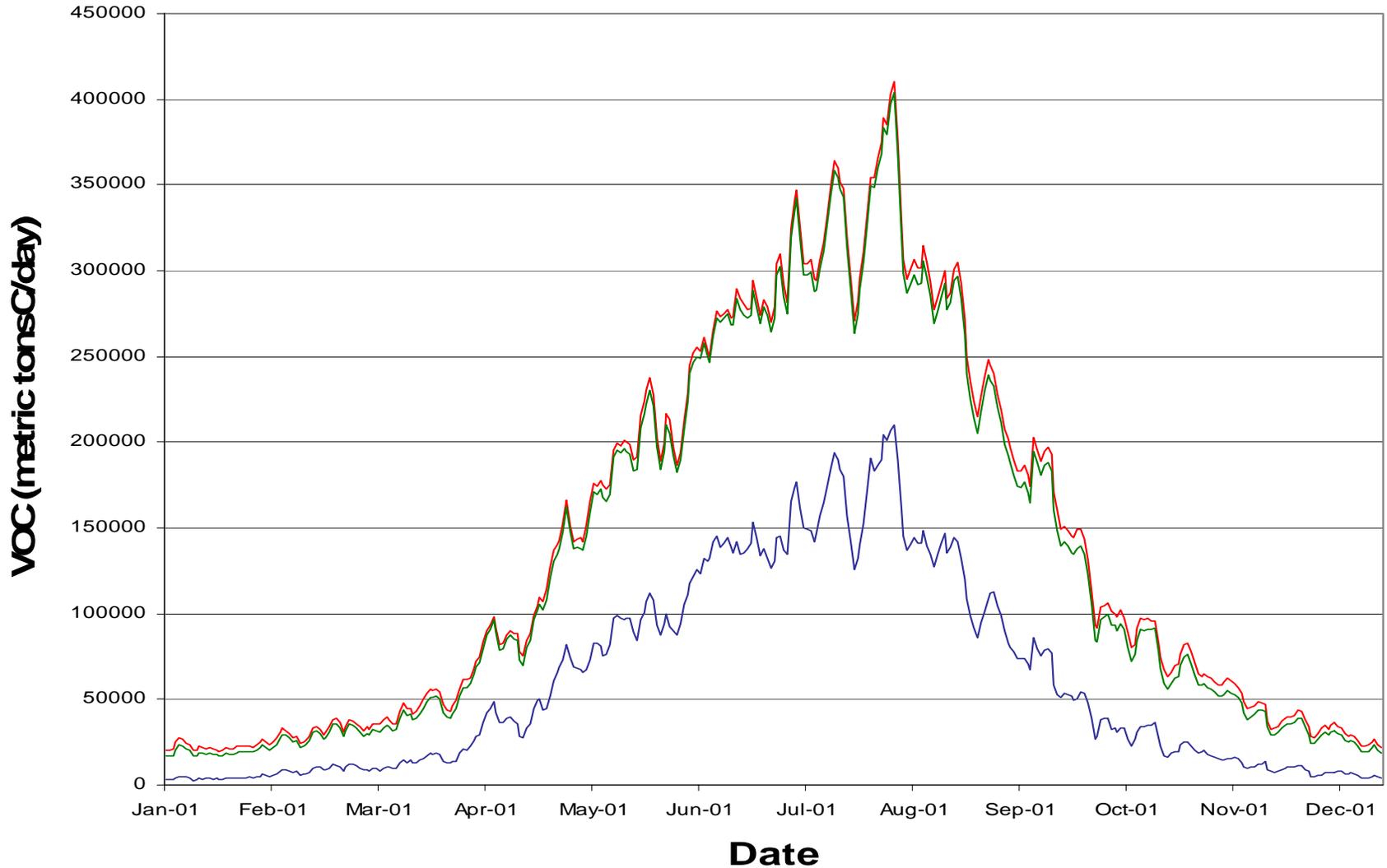


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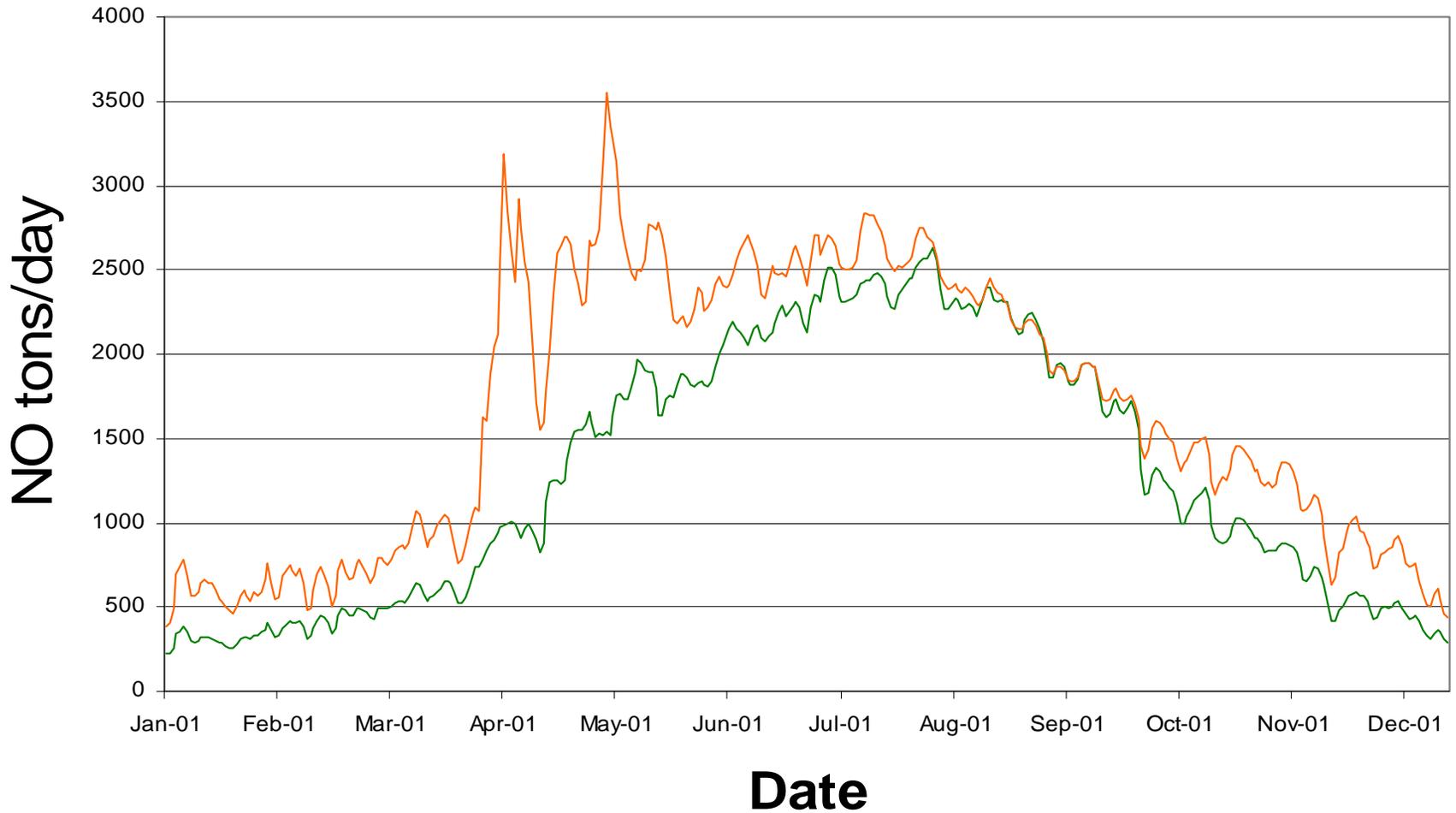
# Comparison of BEIS3.09 v BEIS3.12 for 2001 Domain total emissions



— B309 — B312 — Isoprene

[Animation of isoprene](#)

# Comparison of BEIS3.09 v BEIS3.12 for 2001 Domain total emissions



— B309 — B312

## Comparison of BEIS3.09 v BEIS3.12 for 2001 Domain total emissions (10<sup>3</sup> metric tons)

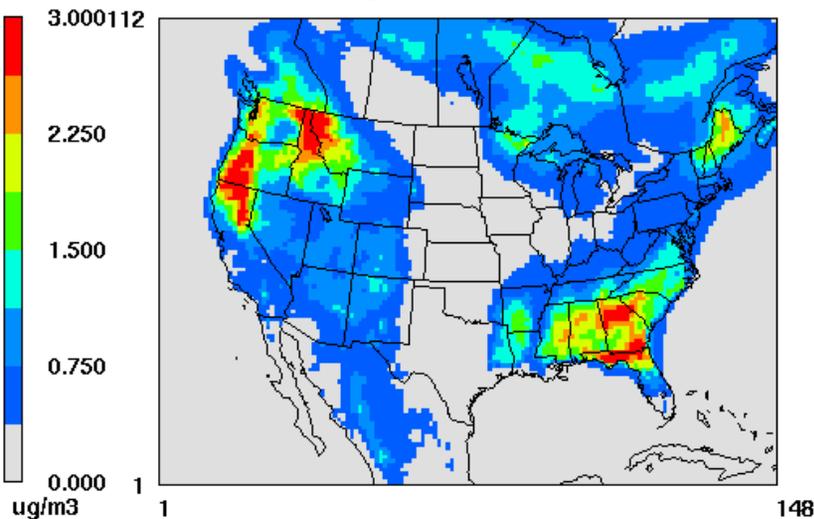
Compound	BEIS3.09	BEIS3.12	% change
Soil NO	467	609	+30%
Total VOC	50,320	48,365	-4%
Isoprene	22,141	22,141	0%

# The latest modeling “crisis” – high biogenic organic aerosol concentrations in the northwestern U.S. ...

## Are the monoterpene emission factors too high?

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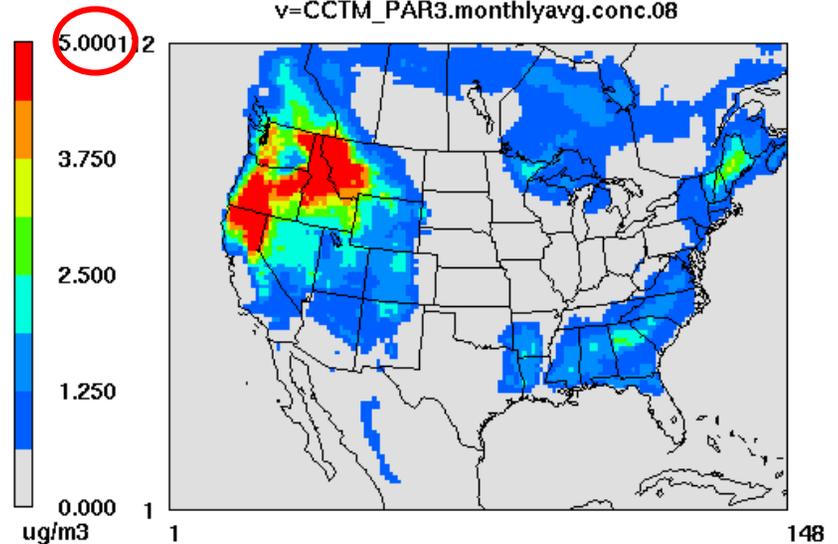
CMAQ 2001 Annual (GCM IC/BC)  
q=CCTM\_PAR3.monthlyavg.conc.05



May 1,2001 1:00:00  
Min= 0.000 at (2,111), Max= 3.548 at (37,83)

### Layer 1 PM\_ORG\_SBv

CMAQ 2001 Annual (GCM IC/BC)  
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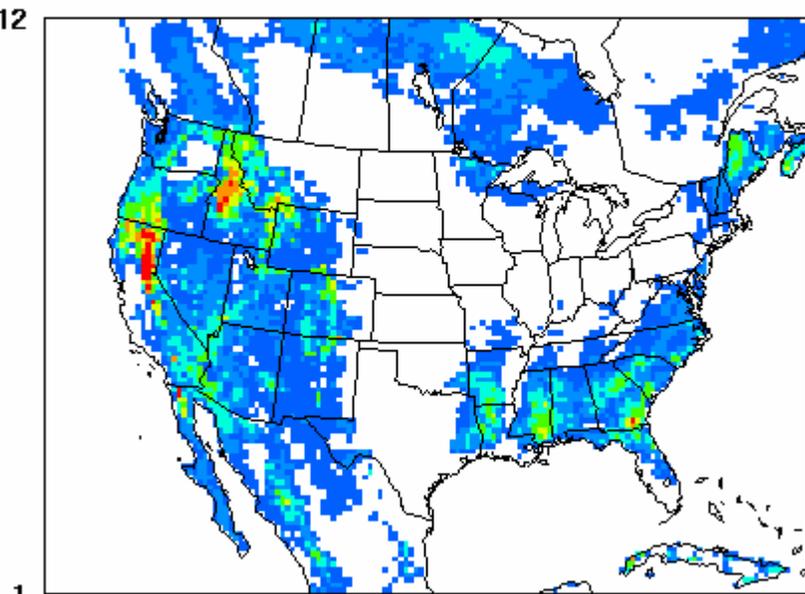
August 1,2001 1:00:00  
Min= 0.000 at (148,7), Max= 8.518 at (37,82)

Preliminary CMAQ modeling plots

# BEIS3.12 -- Change in the monoterpene emission factor for spruce and fir from 2.6 ug/g-hr to 1.5 ug/g-hr

## Layer 1 TERPBh

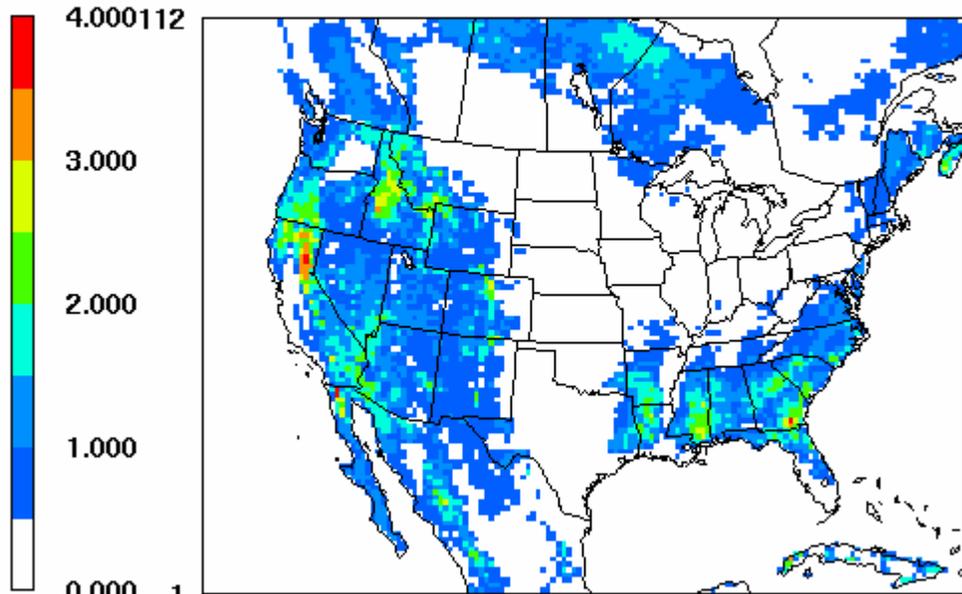
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July 1, 2001 20:00:00  
Min= 0.000 at (1,1), Max= 5.175 at (21,65)

## Layer 1 TERPBi

i=b3gts\_l.20010701.1.rpo\_grid2.01ac\_01ac.ncf



July 1, 2001 20:00:00  
Min= 0.000 at (1,1), Max= 4.730 at (27,40)

**Example for Lassen County, California – Effect of changing the monoterpene emission factor for spruce and fir from 2.6 ug/g-hr to 1.5 ug/g-hr**

Tree type	Fraction	B3.12 efac (ug/m2-hr)	B3.13 efac (ug/m2-hr)
Jeffrey pine	0.29	1820	1820
Ponderosa pine	0.28	1820	1820
White fir	0.22	3900	2250
Lodgepole pine	0.05	1820	1820
Incense cedar	0.04	132	132
Calif. red fir	0.04	3900	2250
Calif. blk oak	0.01	86	86
Juniper	0.01	371	371
Oreg. wht oak	0.01	86	86
Douglas fir	0.01	3900	2250
Total/Wtd avg	0.97	<b>2265</b>	<b>1800</b>

**=> Changing efac for spruce & fir lowered monoterpene emissions by ~20%**

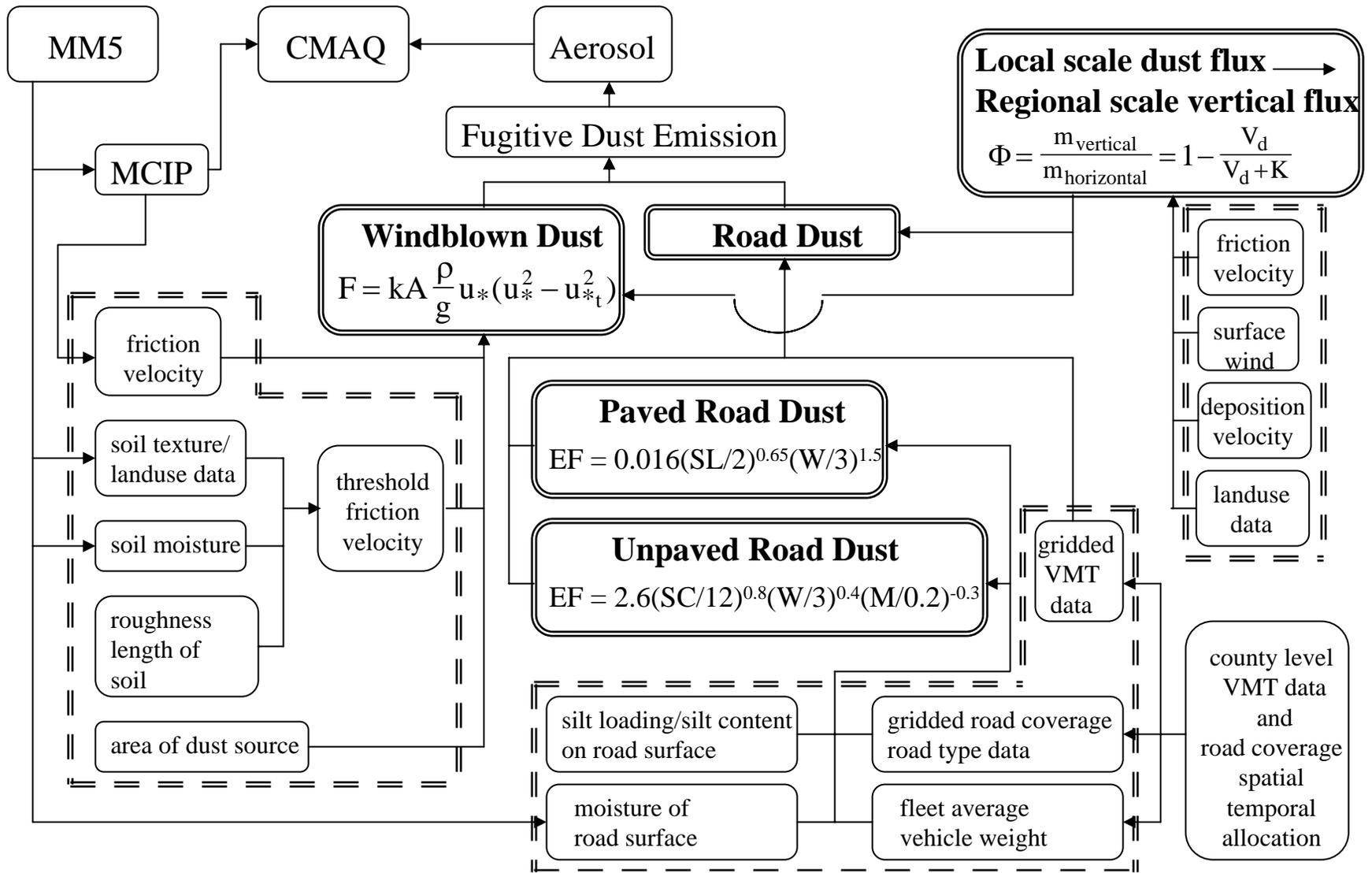
# Much ado about biogenic emissions ...

- Proposed future priorities:
  - Examine climatic adjustments of monoterpene emissions and evaluate flux estimates w/ field data
  - Incorporate isoprene seasonality
  - Combine the BEIS3 and the WRF-Chem/MEGAN platforms

## Much ado about fugitive dust emissions...

- Fugitive dust emissions tend to be overestimated in atmospheric transport models (Gillette, 2001, [www.wrapair.org/forums/dejf/documents/](http://www.wrapair.org/forums/dejf/documents/)).
- Dr. Shan He has developed an wind blown dust algorithm for CMAQ based on the work of Gillette. The algorithm uses threshold friction velocity parameterizations and incorporates gridded databases of soil type, surface soil moisture content, meteorology, and vegetation. It also estimates the interception of dust particles by vegetation. Unfortunately w/ Shan's departure, this effort is "collecting dust".
- G. Pouliot has been working on an improved algorithm for other fugitive dust sources.

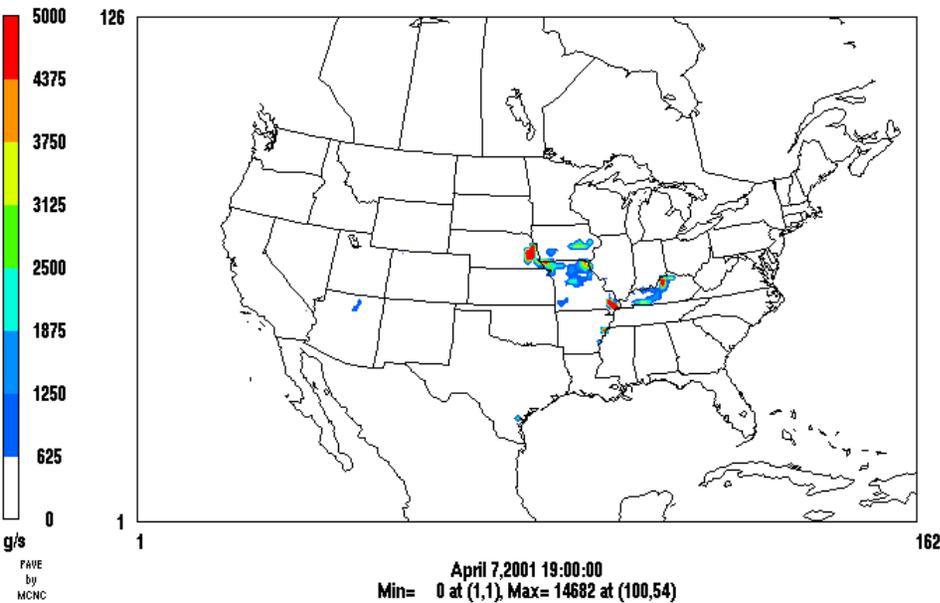
# Proposed Fugitive Dust Emission Model



# Windblown Fugitive Dust Emissions Estimated with the "He" Algorithm

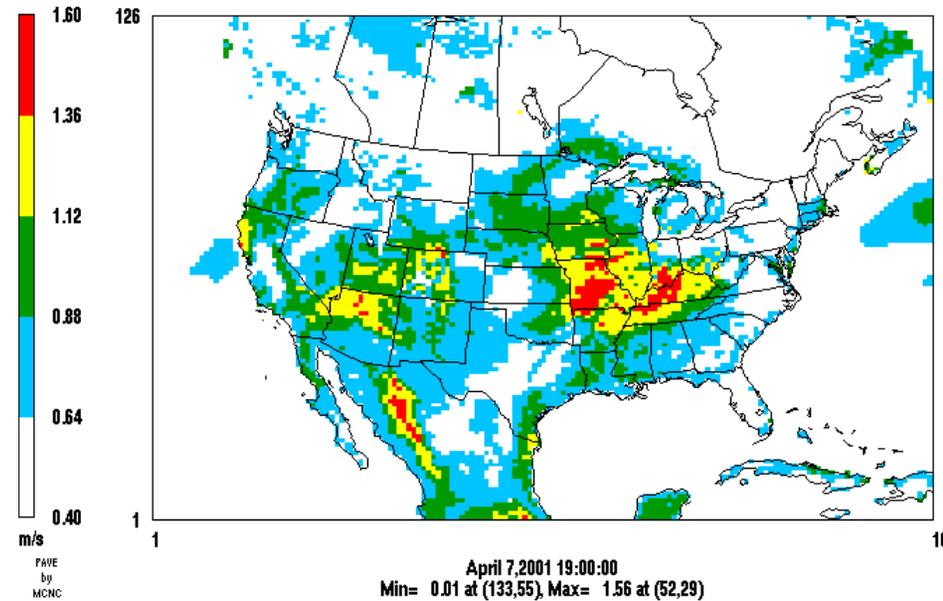
## Windblown dust (PM2.5) emissions

(36km resolution, April 7, 2001, 19UTC)



## Friction velocity ( $u^*$ ) from MM5

(36km resolution, April 7, 2001, 19UTC)



# Fugitive Dust Emissions from Unpaved Roads

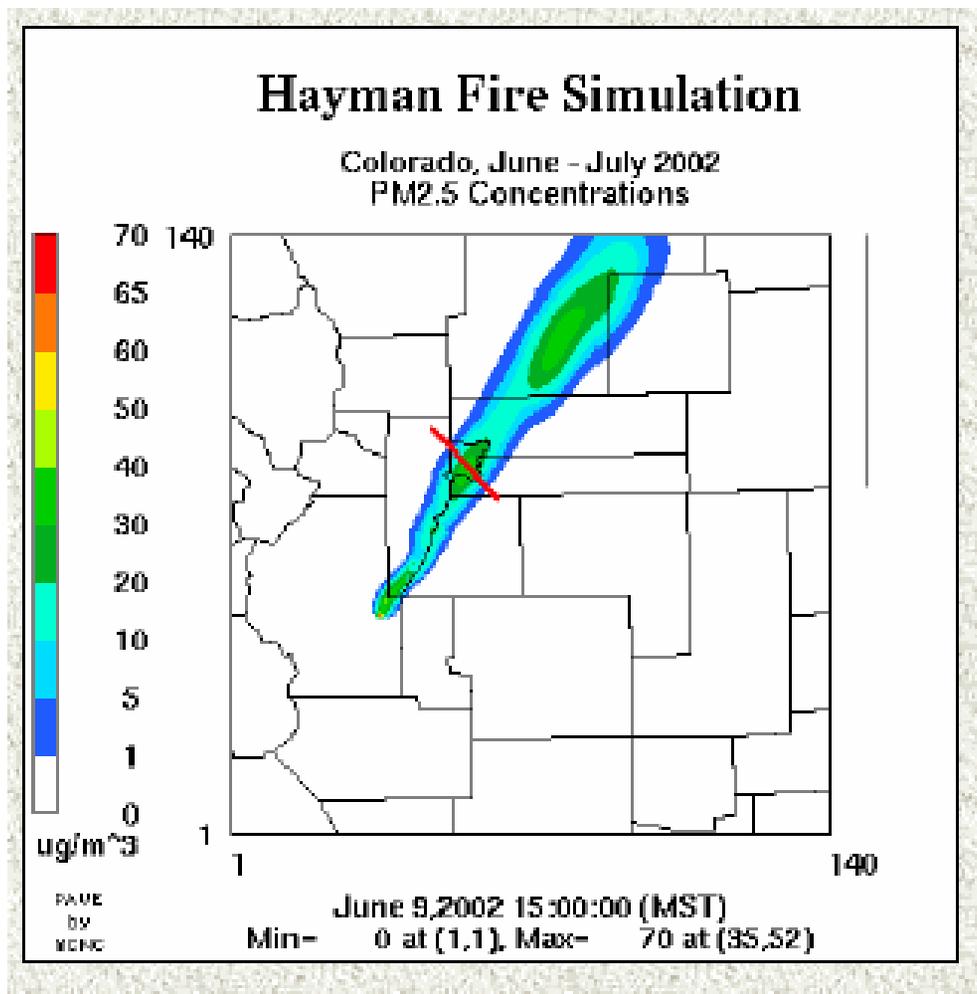
<b>Current method</b>	<b>Proposed method</b>
Does not account for removal by vegetation	Incorporate transport fraction developed by Dr. Shan He
FHWA road mileage	TIGER data to grid unpaved roads from county data
Uses monthly rainfall from a single station in a state	Simulate the moisture content of the road surface using gridded solar radiation, dew point, wind speed and rainfall data.
Based on published AP-42 methodology and used in EPA's NEI.	Status: Unpaved road data have been gridded and the emissions algorithm will be tested later in 2004.

# Much ado about wildland fire emissions ...

- Current 2001 inventory includes monthly estimates by state
- For 2002, the RPOs are producing an event-based, location-specific inventory
- With support from OAQPS and EIIP, an IAG is being established w/ USFS to integrate BlueSky into SMOKE:
  - will provide framework for producing model-ready emissions from wildfires
  - will include updated fuel characteristics
  - will need support for plume rise and vertical allocation

BlueSky is a working system developed by the USFS for forecasting smoke from prescribed burns and wildfires. It has many of the components needed for an emissions module to CMAQ/SMOKE. ([www.blueskyrains.org](http://www.blueskyrains.org))

Actual simulation from the BlueSky system



# Much ado about wildland fire emissions ...

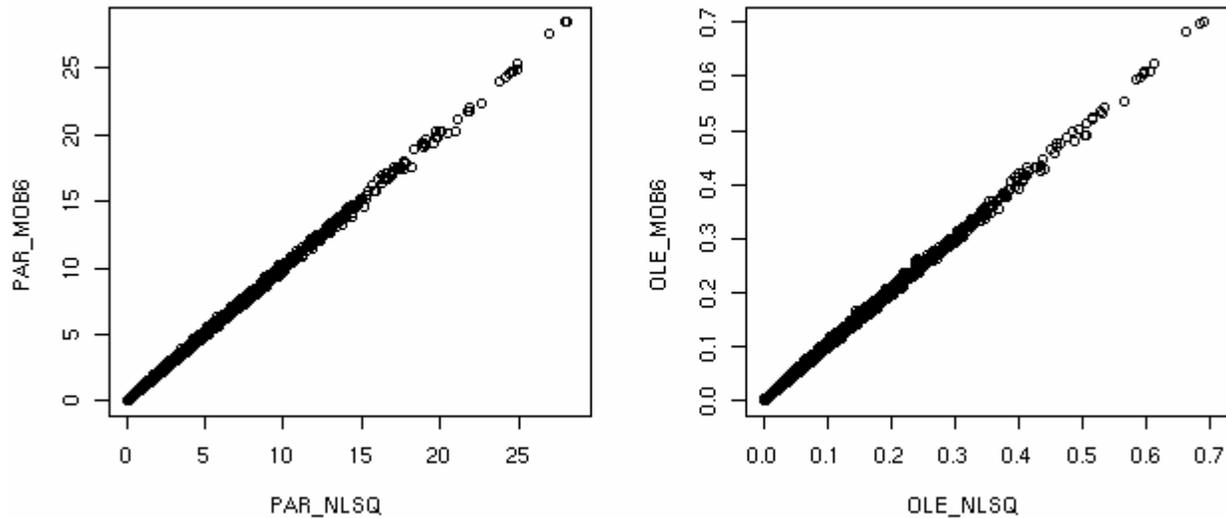
- Proposed future priorities:
  - Include RPO inventory as soon as practical for 2002 CMAQ simulations
  - Integrate BlueSky into SMOKE and evaluate CMAQ model performance

# Much ado about AQ forecast emissions ...

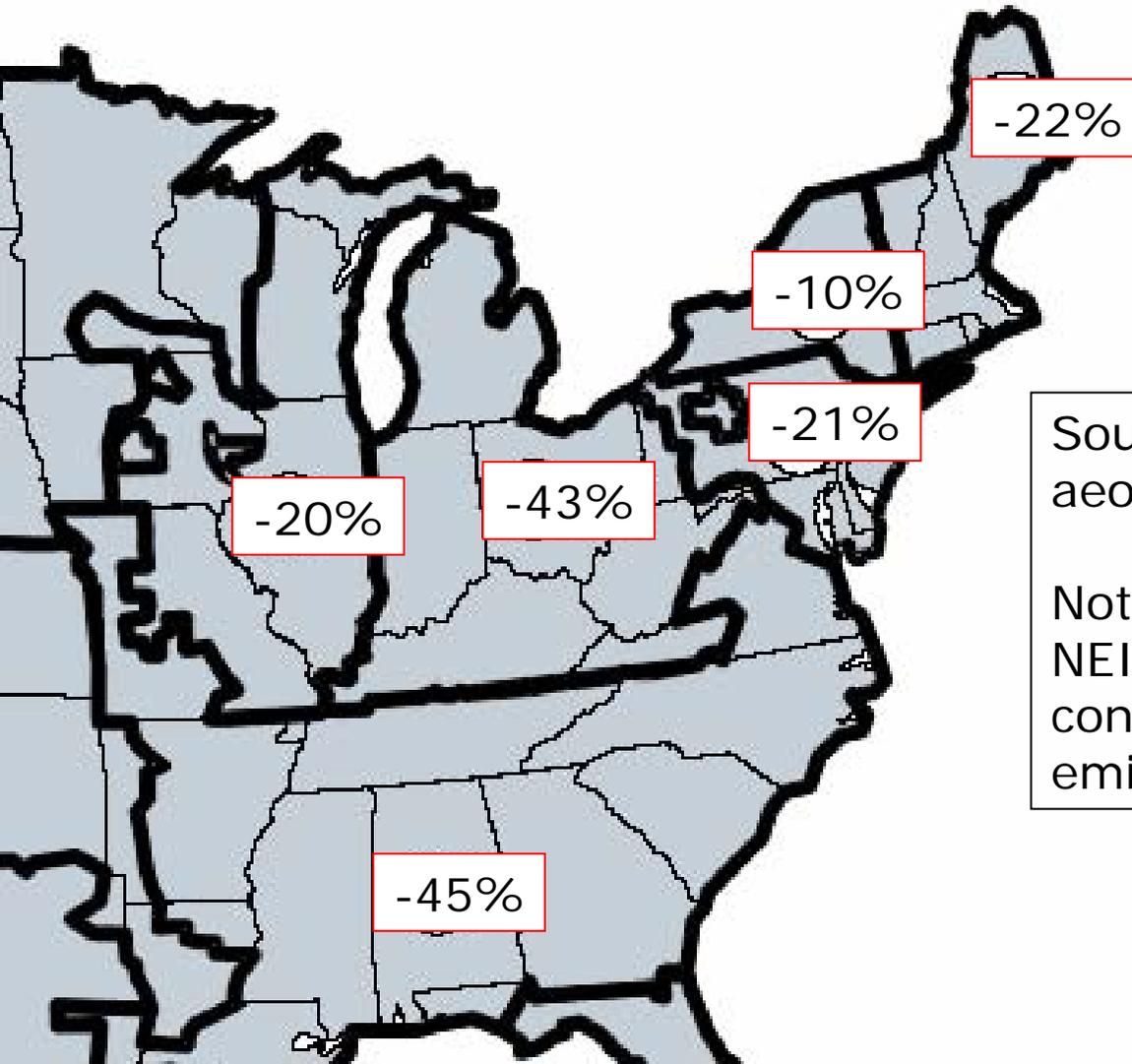
- Work performed by G. Pouliot
- Priorities for 2004:
  - Incorporate and streamline Mobile6 calculations
  - Account for significant reductions in electrical generating unit (EGU) NO<sub>x</sub> emissions

# Emissions for air quality forecasting – using simple regression to account for hourly temperature effects in Mobile6

Comparison of VOC emissions from Mobile6 vs. NLSQ regression across the NE AQ forecast domain for August 4, 2003



# Emissions for air quality forecasting – change in NOx EGU emissions from 2001 to 2004



Source: [www.eia.doe.gov/oiaf/aeo/supplement/](http://www.eia.doe.gov/oiaf/aeo/supplement/)

Note: according to the 1998 NEI, electric utilities contributed ~25% of NOx emissions

# Much ado about AQ forecast emissions ...

- Proposed future priorities:
  - Adjust EGU emissions as a function of predicted temperature (based on analysis of existing CEM data)
  - Incorporate satellite-derived wildfire emissions
  - Perform sensitivity analysis of the effect of emission changes resulting from voluntary control measures

## Much ado about emission modeling...

*Then sigh not so, but let them [emissions] go,  
And be you blithe and bonny,  
Converting all your sounds of woe  
Into hey nonny, nonny. \**

*\*w/ apologies once again to Wm. Shakespeare,  
from Much Ado About Nothing.*

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