



Off-line constraints on NEI2011 NO_x emissions using CMAQ/GSI/OMI Tropospheric NO₂ Data Assimilation



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July 2011 CMAQ NO_x emissions sensitivity studies

In support of the Lake Michigan Air Directors Consortium (LADCO) State Implementation Plan (SIP) modeling we are conducting July 2011 CMAQ simulations to investigate:

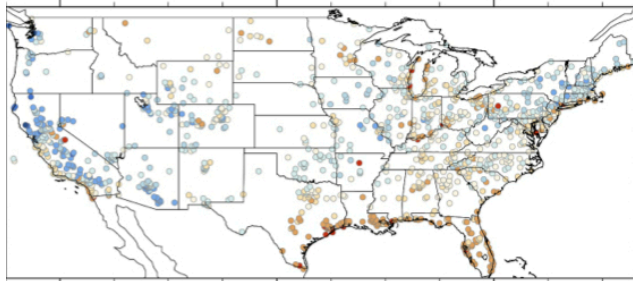
- how model bias in ozone precursors (NO₂ and HCHO as proxies for total NO_x and VOCs) is sensitive to model processes and emissions inputs
- how simulated ozone is sensitive to changes in precursors, via changing model processes and inputs

The CMAQ NO_x emission sensitivity studies, along with CMAQ/GSI OMI NO₂ Data Assimilation (DA), are used to adjust NEI 2011 NO_x emission inventories

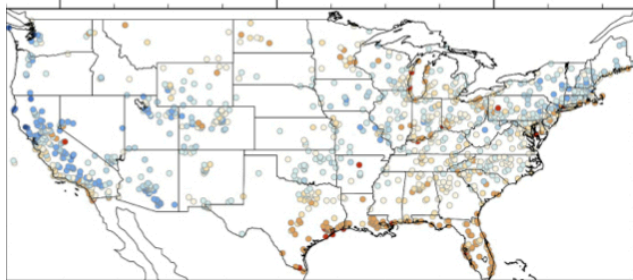
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July 2011 MDA8 ozone

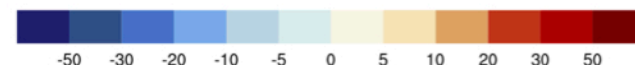
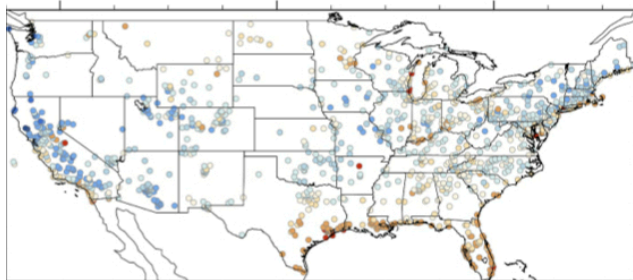
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Bias CMAQ-AIRNow (ppbv)

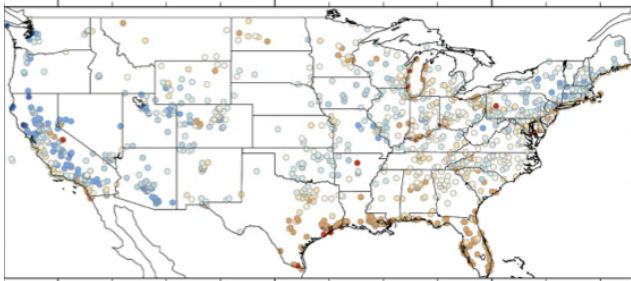
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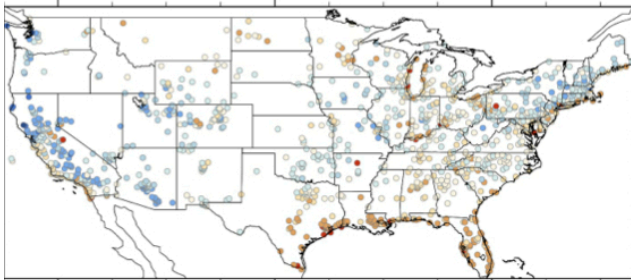
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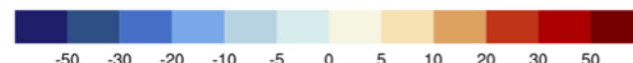
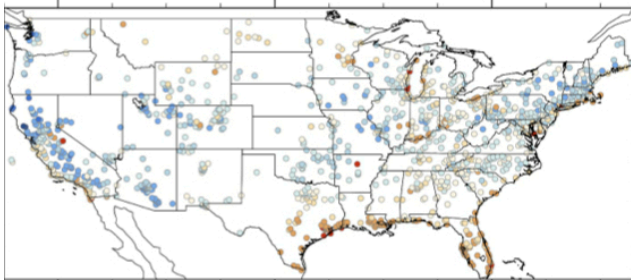
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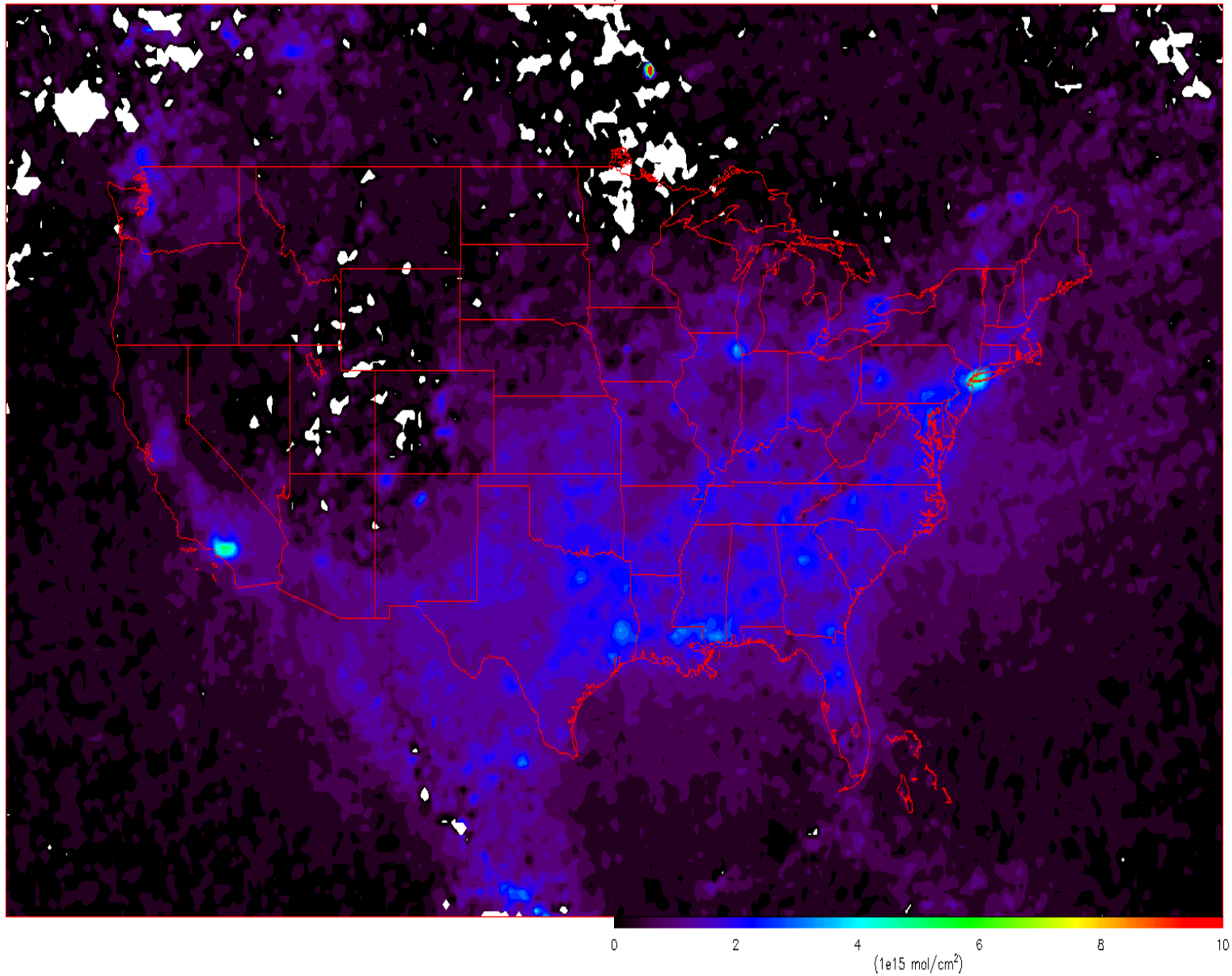
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Uniform 15% NO_x reductions improves agreement between CMAQ and observed July 2011 MDA8 ozone in the Eastern US but worsens the agreement in the Western US

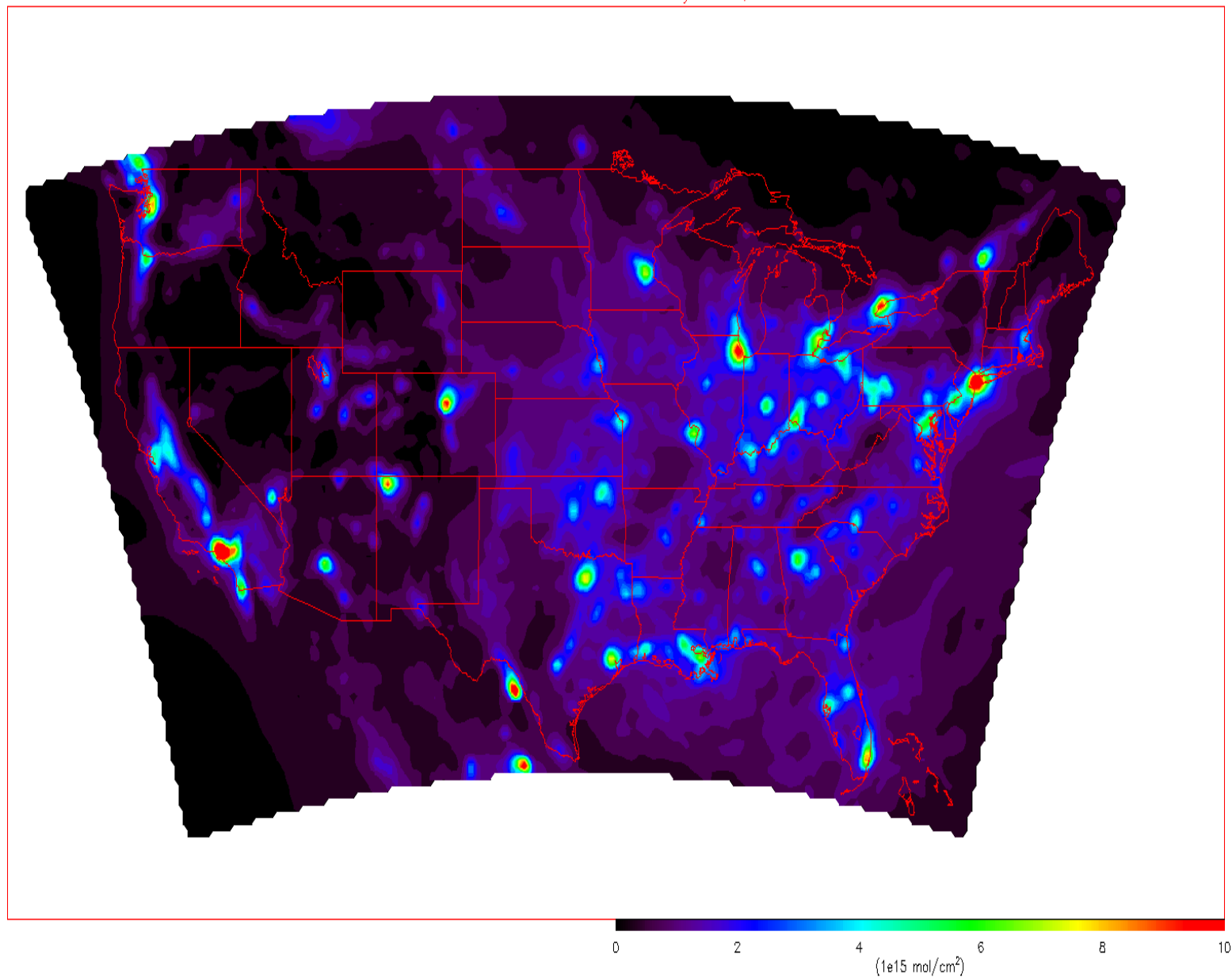
OMI Tropospheric NO₂ Column July 1-15, 2011

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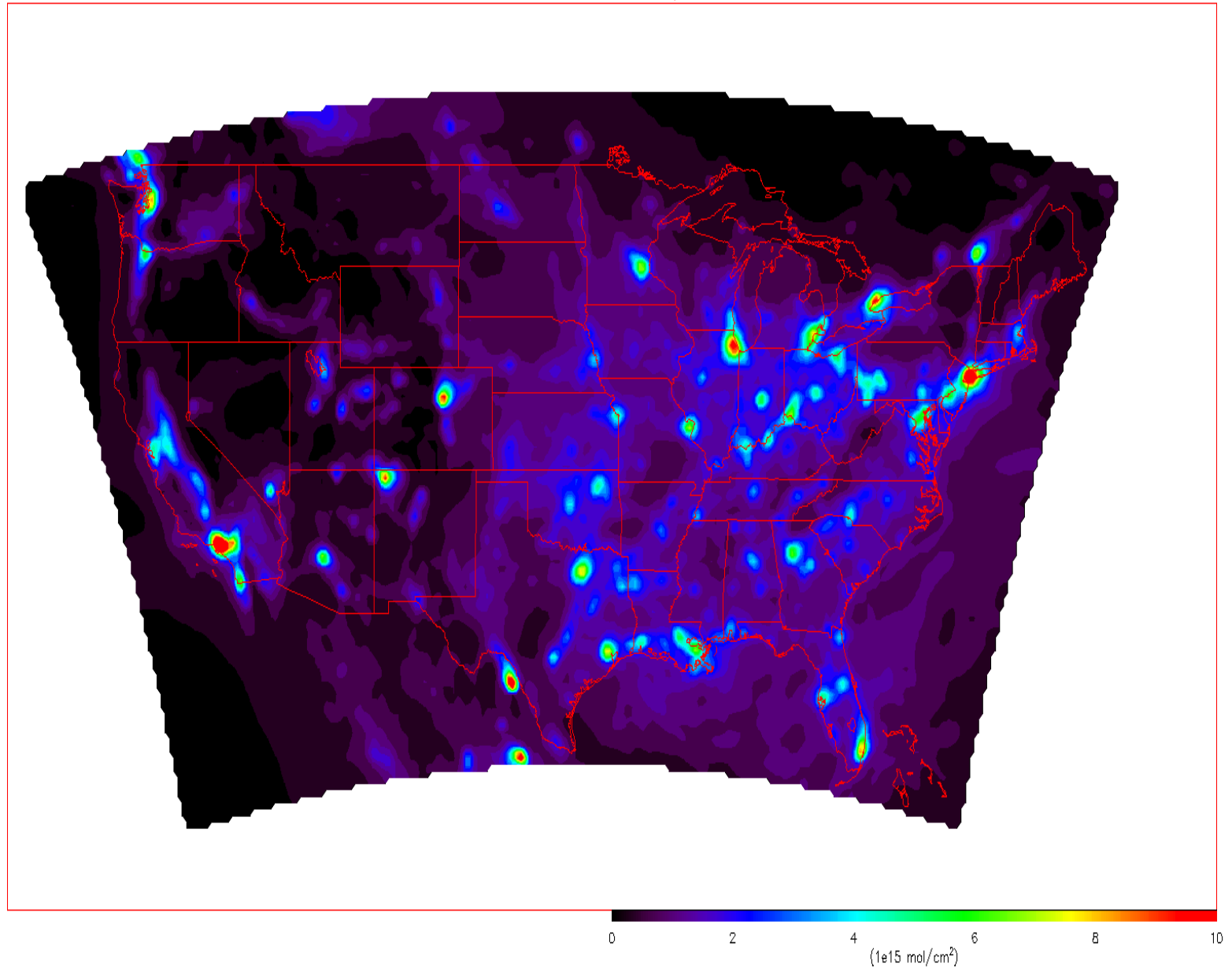
CMAQ Control Tropospheric NO₂ Column July 1-15, 2011

CMAQ Control Column 14Z-21Z July 01-15, 2011



CMAQ GSI/OMI DA Tropospheric NO₂ Column July 1-15, 2011

CMAQ 5xGSI Column 14Z-21Z July 01-15, 2011



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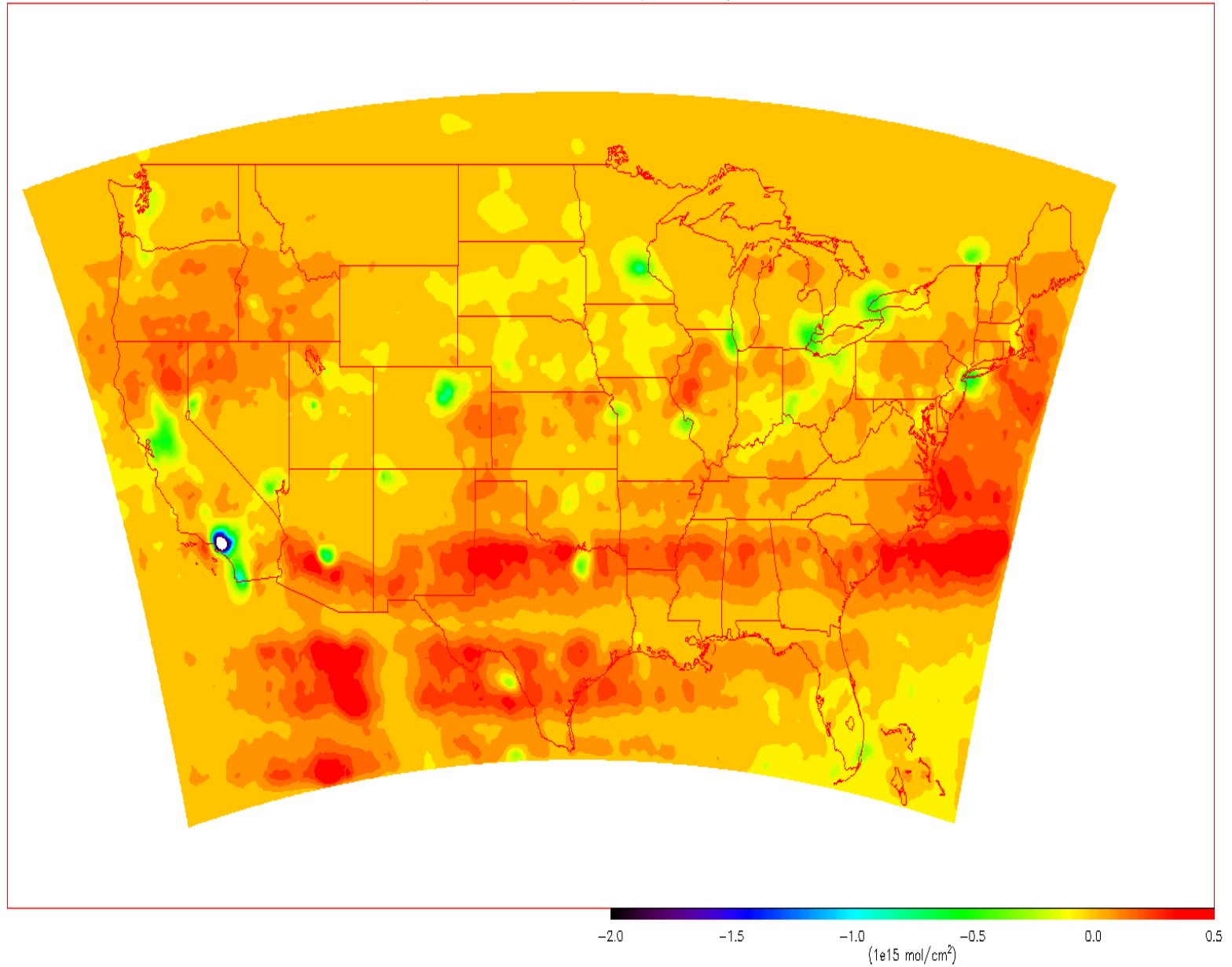
CMAQ 5xGSI Column 14Z-21Z July 01-15, 2011

*Short NO₂ lifetime in
urban environments does
not allow OMI NO₂ DA to
constrain Tropospheric
NO₂ column
(emissions driven)*

0 2 4 6 8 10
(1×10^{15} mol/cm²)

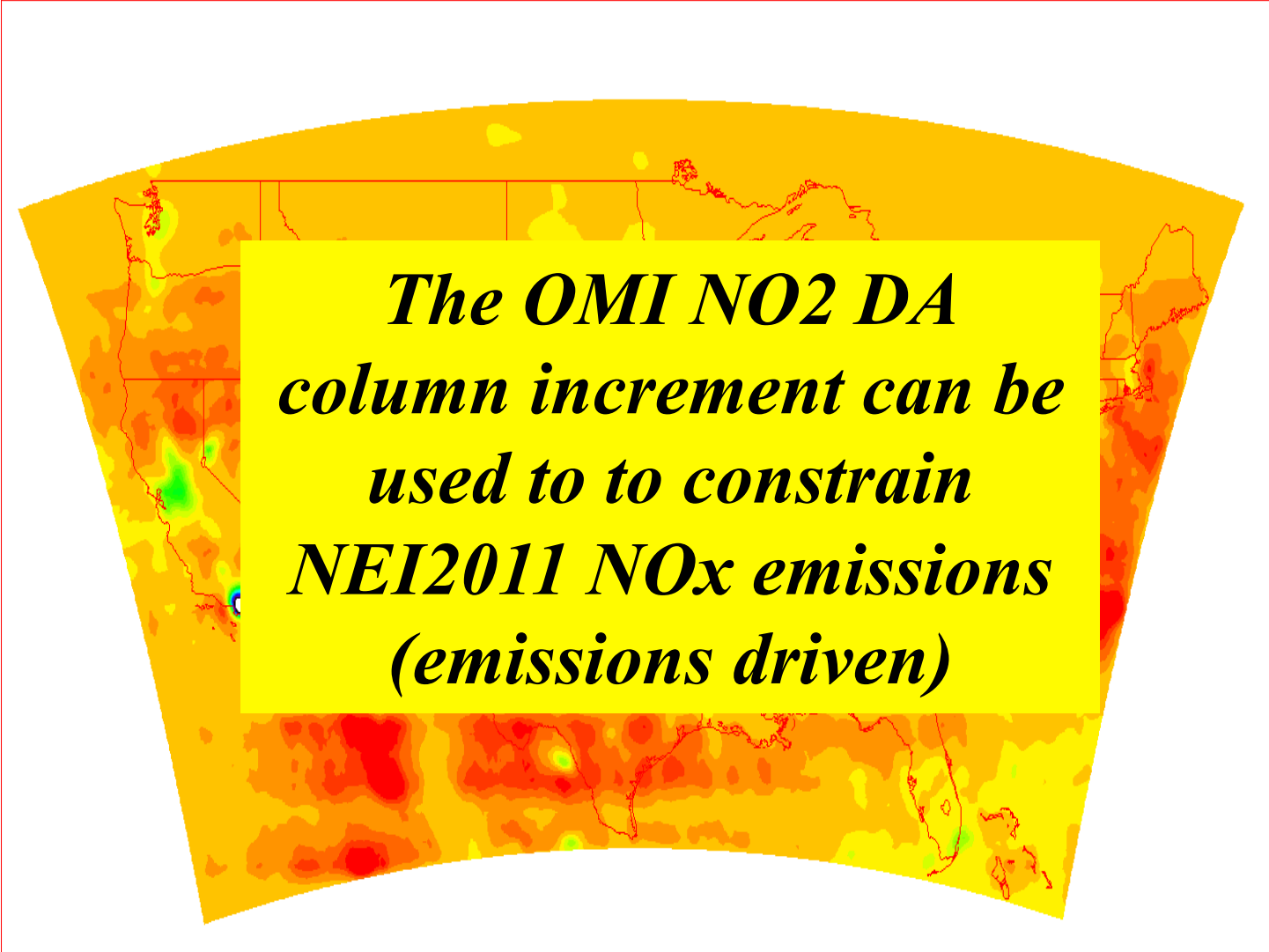
CMAQ GSI/OMI DA NO2 Column Increment July 1-15, 2011

CMAQ/GSI NO2 Increment (With LNOx) Column July 01-15, 2011



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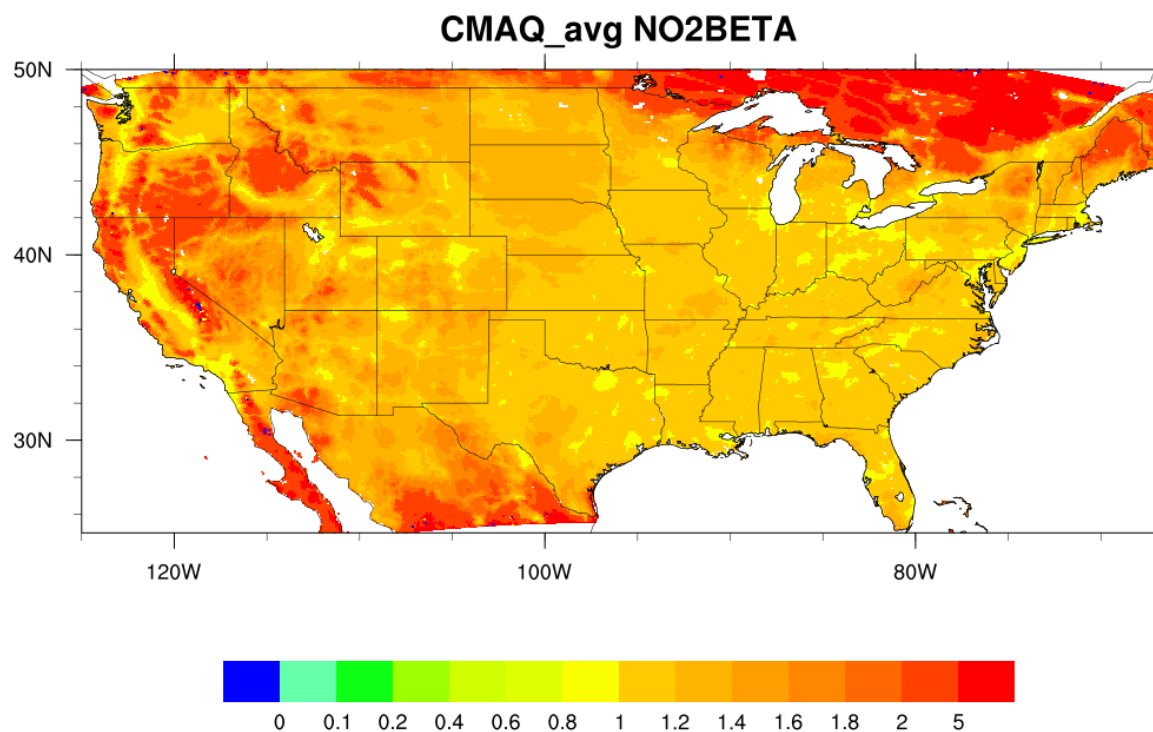
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*The OMI NO₂ DA
column increment can be
used to to constrain
NEI2011 NO_x emissions
(emissions driven)*

-2.0 -1.5 -1.0 -0.5 0.0 0.5
(1e15 mol/cm²)

**Adjusting NEI 2011 Area Sources using
Mean GSI OMI NO₂ Analysis
Increment**



Monthly mean **NO2 Jacobians** (β =normalized delta-Emissions/normalized delta-NO2) are computed from a 2011 CMAQ 15% NO_x emission perturbation experiment following (Lamsal, et al, 2011)

$$\frac{\Delta E}{E} = \boxed{\beta} \times \frac{\Delta \Omega}{\Omega}.$$

Monthly mean tropospheric **NO2 Analysis Increments** are computed from the 2011 CMAQ/GSI OMI NO₂ assimilation (used to define normalized delta-NO₂)

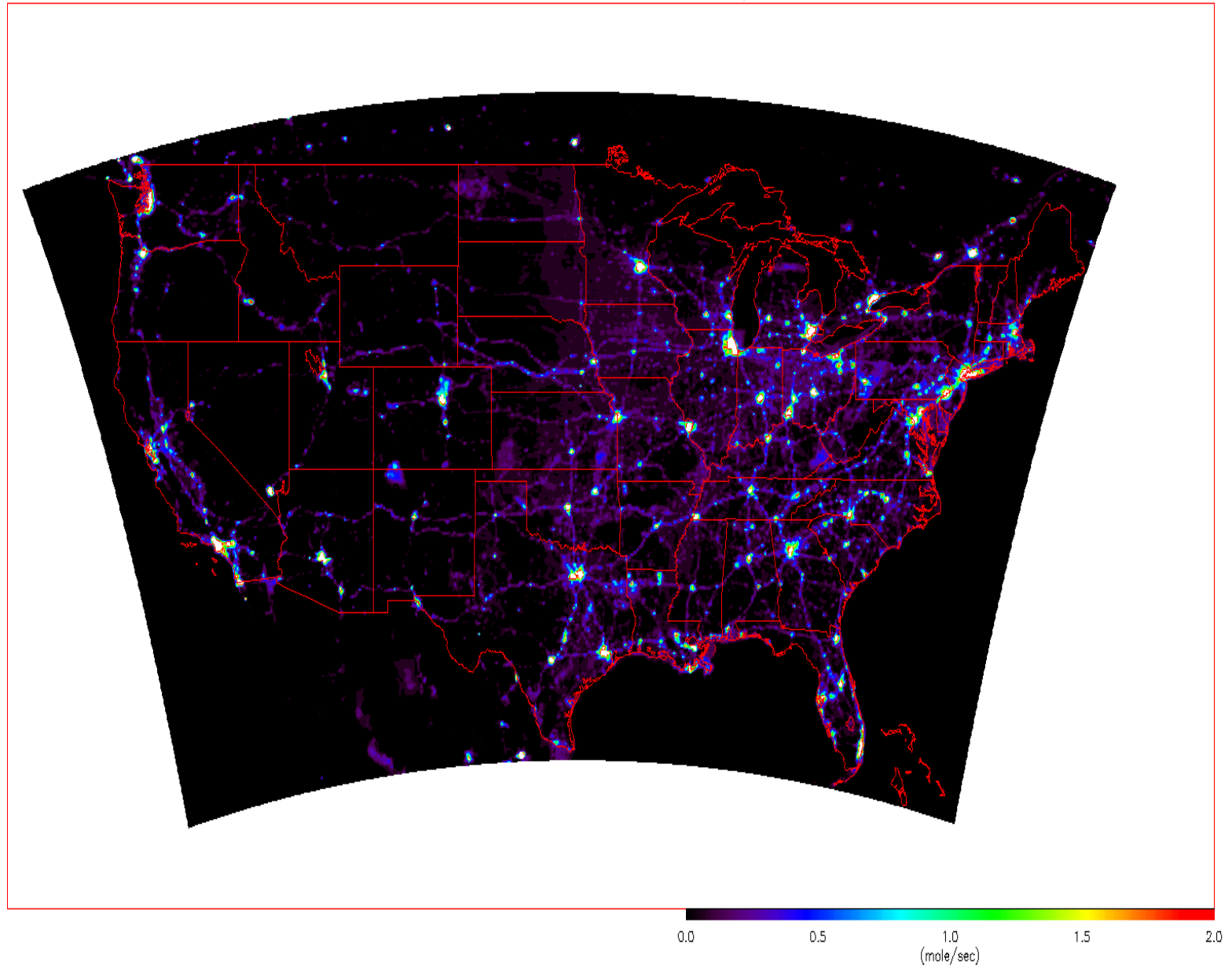
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delta-NO₂ from OMI NO₂ DA and Jacobian (β) from NO₂ emissions perturbation experiment are used to **adjust NEI 2011 NO2 emissions**

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NEI 2011 Area Source NO_x emissions July 1-15, 2011

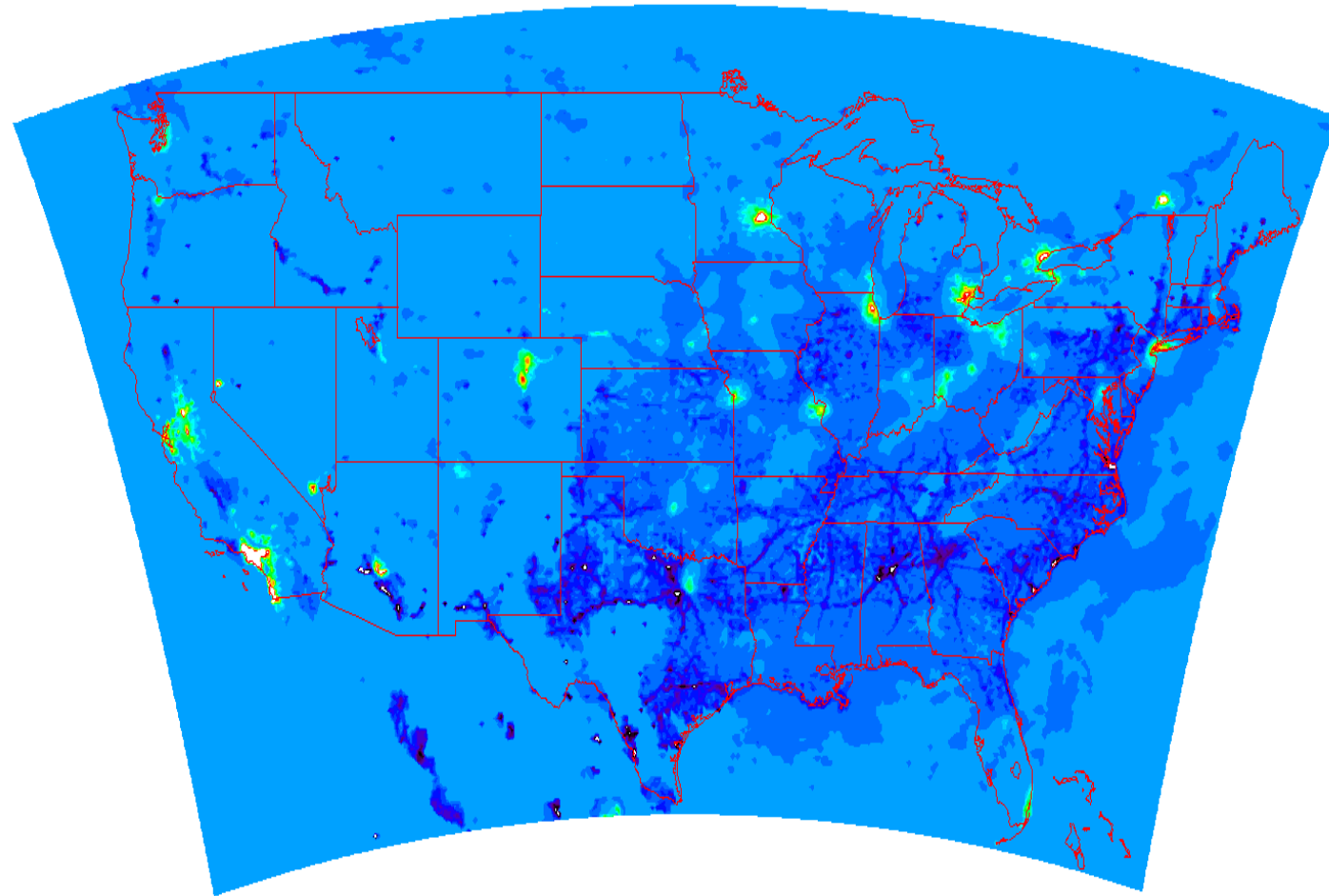
CMAQ NEI2011 Area Source NO_x emissions July 2011



Change in NEI 2011 Area Source NO_x emissions July 1-15, 2011

Change in CMAQ NEI2011 Area Source NO_x emissions (NEI-Adjusted with Analysis Increment) July 01-15, 2011

(NEI-Adjusted NEI)



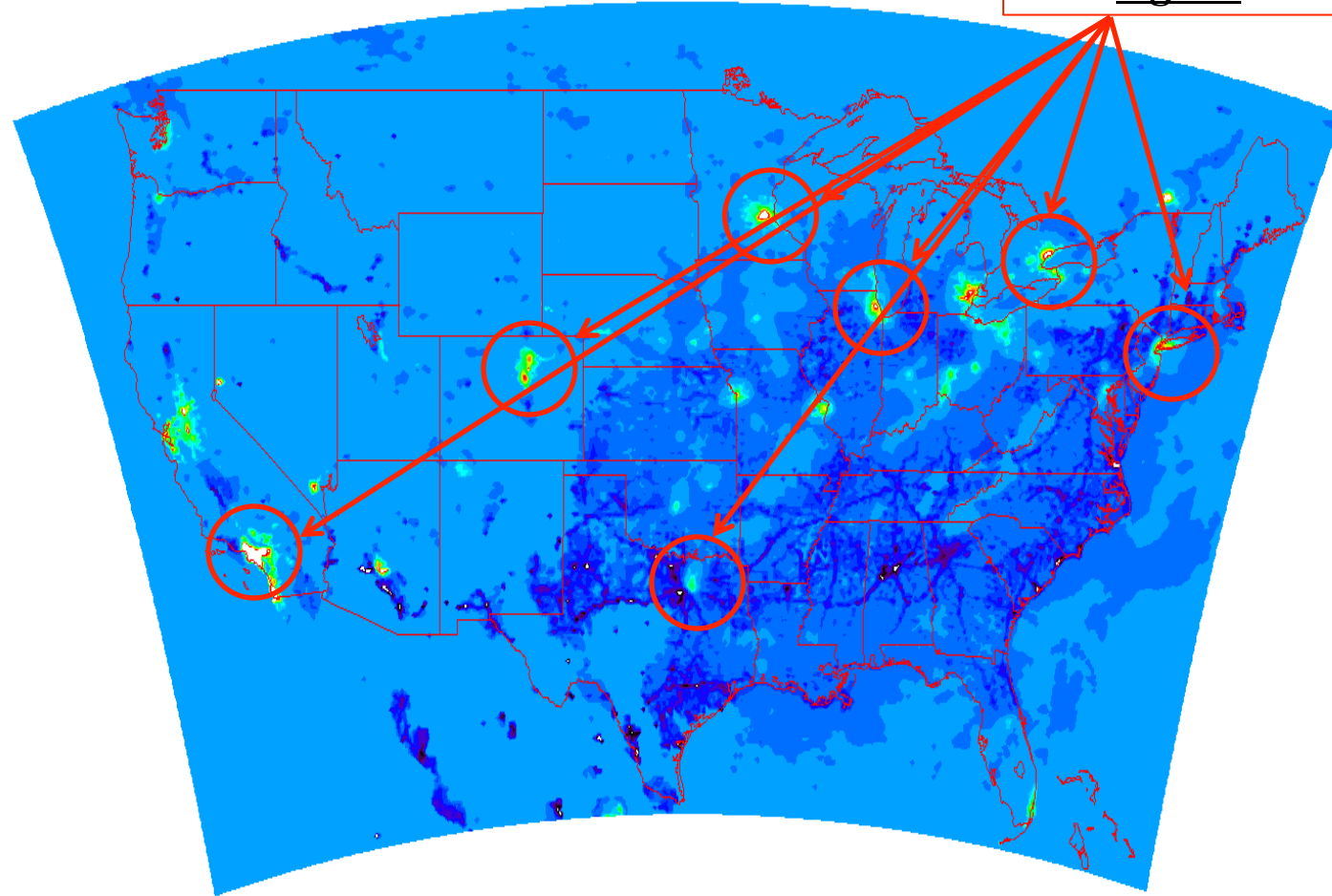
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(mole/sec)

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(NEI-Adjusted NEI) NEI higher then Adjusted NEI



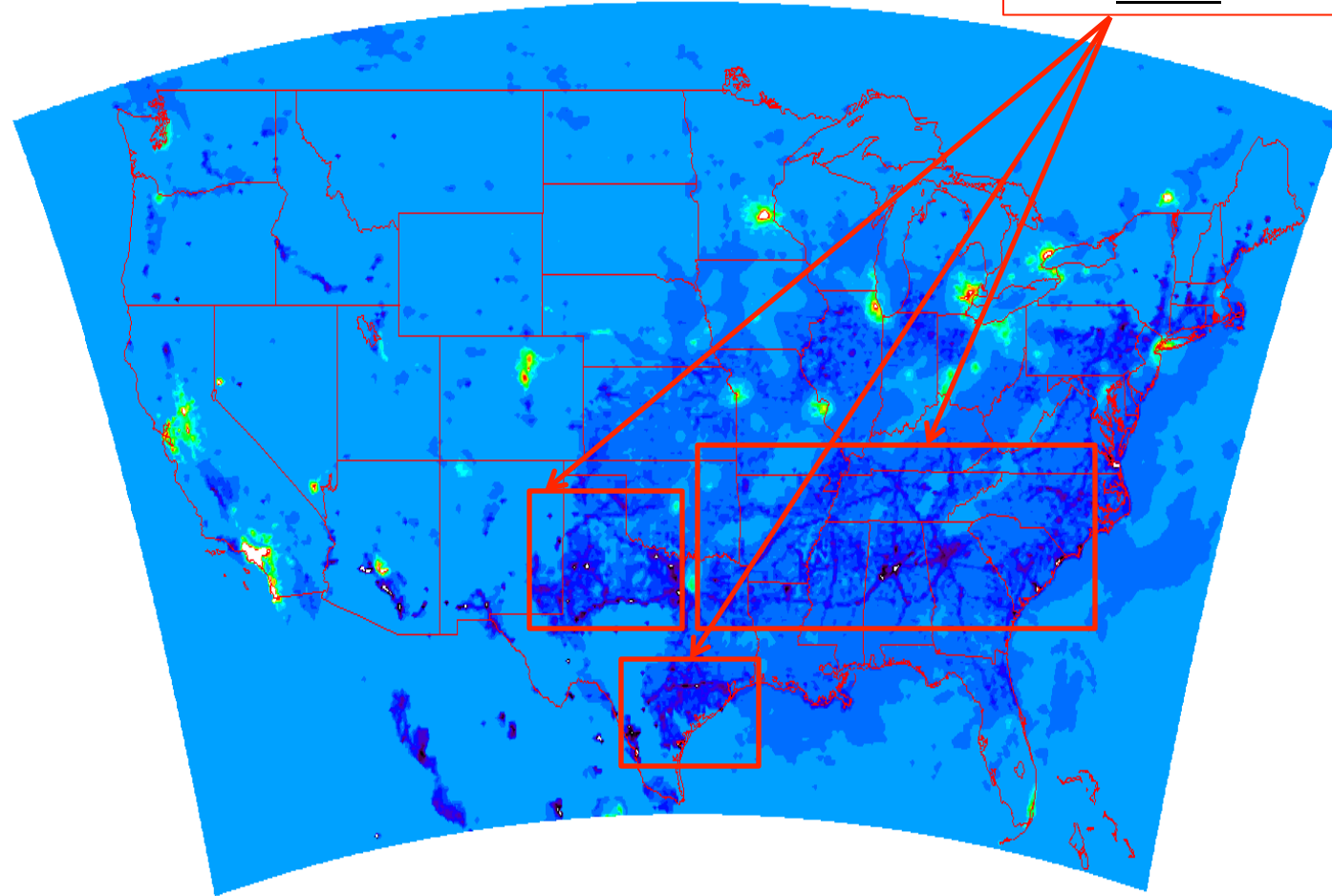
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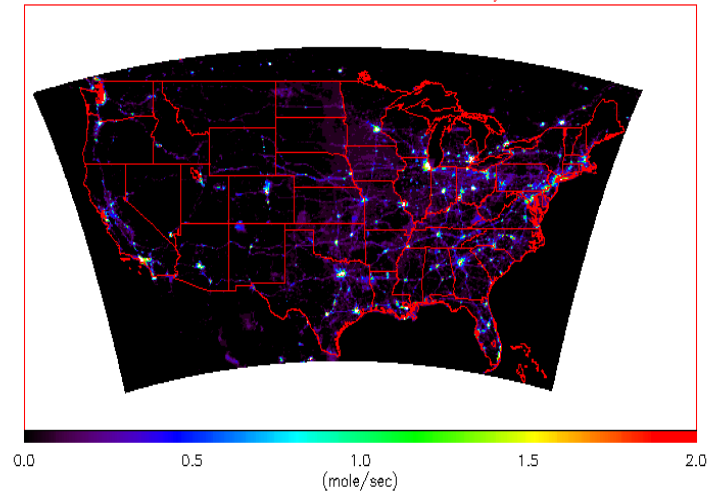


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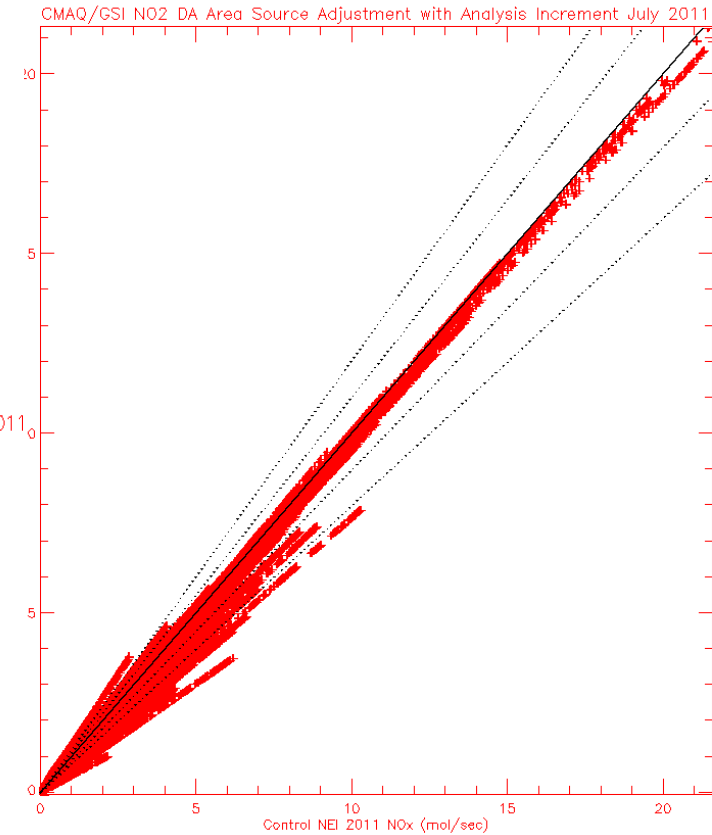
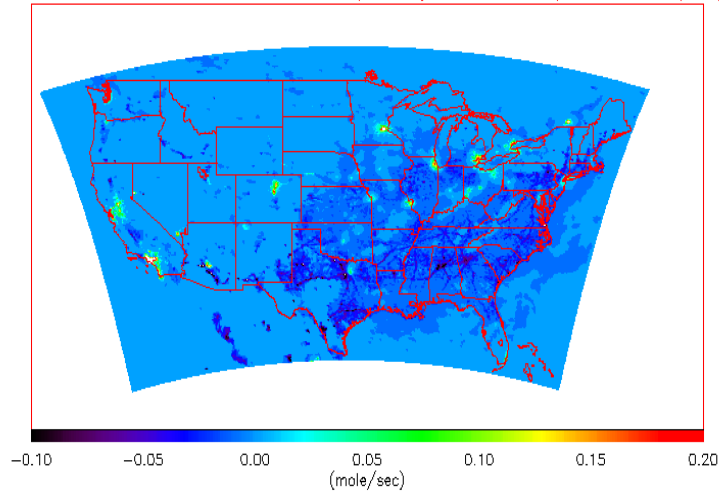
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Area Source NOx Emissions Adjustment

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HAQAST Partnerships

- NWS National Air Quality Forecast Capability (NAQFC)
- EPA/CDC Bayesian Space-time Downscaling Fusion Model
- Others ?

Deliverables (sustainability)

- NWS/EPA CMAQ/GSI OMI NO₂ DA capability
- OMI NO₂ Bufr files

Next Steps

- 1) Assimilate OMI NO₂ slant column instead of tropospheric NO₂ column (air mass factor artifact in analysis increment)
- 2) Assimilate OMI BEHR NO₂ slant
- 3) Assimilate GeoTASO (TEMPO airborne simulator) NO₂ column during Lake Michigan Ozone Study (LMOS 2017)
- 4) Assimilate TropOMI NO₂ column (improved spatial resolution)
- 5) Assimilate TEMPO NO₂ column (improved spatial/temporal resolution)