Proposal for a Land-Use Model Inter-comparison Project (LUMIP) for CMIP6

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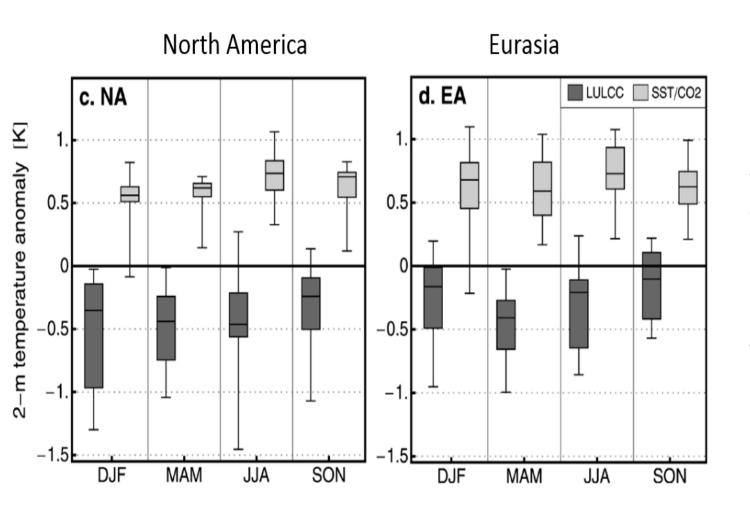
with input from many from Earth System Modeling, Integrated Assessment Modeling, and historical land use communities

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What has been learned (LUCID, CMIP5, etc)?

- Land-use effects on global climate are generally modest relative to FF, but still important, especially regionally
- Land-use climate effects are complex and challenging to diagnose;
 models often do not agree on amplitude or even sign of impact
- More detailed/systematic assessment of land models (and atmosphere models) response to land use is required in order to be able to understand climate response
- Climate extremes appear to be sensitive to land use
- Land-use transitions are needed for accurately tracking land cover change resulting from land-use change
- Models implemented standardized land-use data sets differently
- Potentially important impacts, management practices, biogeophysical effects, policy options, uncertainties, and feedbacks not adequately accounted for in prior experimental designs

Results from LUCID/CMIP5



CO₂ + SST + SIC forcing leads to warming

LULCC leads to cooling

LUMIP Major Activities

Data standardization

- Repeat and mature land use harmonization process resulting in enhanced standardized land-use data set for CMIP6, passing the maximum amount of common information between relevant communities (Historical, IAMs, ESMs)
- Provide additional required land management datasets

Model metrics and diagnostics

- A set of metrics will be developed to quantify model performance with respect to land use impacts on climate
- A diagnostic protocol will also be developed to quantify related model sensitivities (expressed as RF?)

Model experiments

 Development of efficient model experiments designed to isolate and quantify land use and land management effects

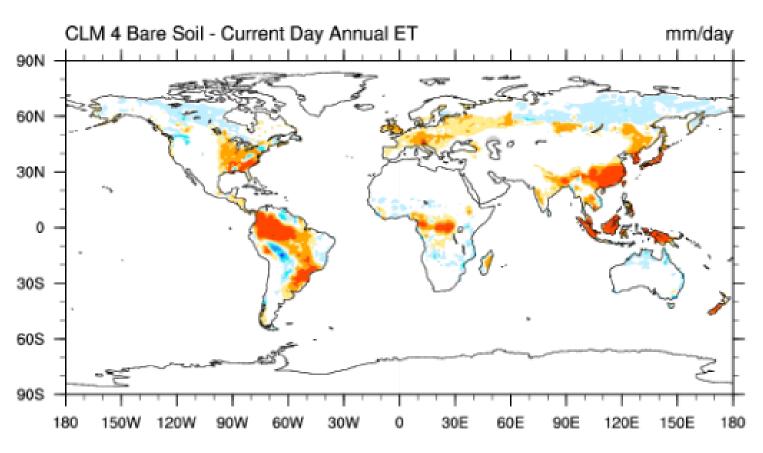
Developing experimental design (2 phases?)

Preliminary work (funding?):

- Investigate relative influence of land use practices / model capabilities
 - prognostic crop, irrigation, wood harvest, fertilization, ???
- Development of standardized metrics
- Establish requirements
 - # of ensembles (CESM Large Ensemble?)
 - Resolution, scales of land-use change that are detectable
- Define and utilize idealized scenarios (e.g. complete Amazon deforestation) to enhance process understanding



Complete removal of vegetation



Bare soil has higher ET than forests (???)

Developing experimental design (2 phases?)

LUMIP experiments for CMIP6

- Coordinated (limited) set of coupled and offline experiments designed to isolate land use and land management impacts on climate (biogeophysics and biogeochemistry)
- LUMIP experimental design should complement other MIPs

Participation and Relationship to Other MIPS

- Participation in LUMIP will be open
- LUMIP will be coordinated by a small interdisciplinary and engaged working group, report to CMIP6 panel, and linked to other CMIP satellite MIPs
- LUMIP will work with other related MIPS and activities including: LUCID, C4MIP, AGMIP, GSWP3, Trendy, LUC4C, GLP, iLeaps, etc.

Major role of LUMIP will be coordination

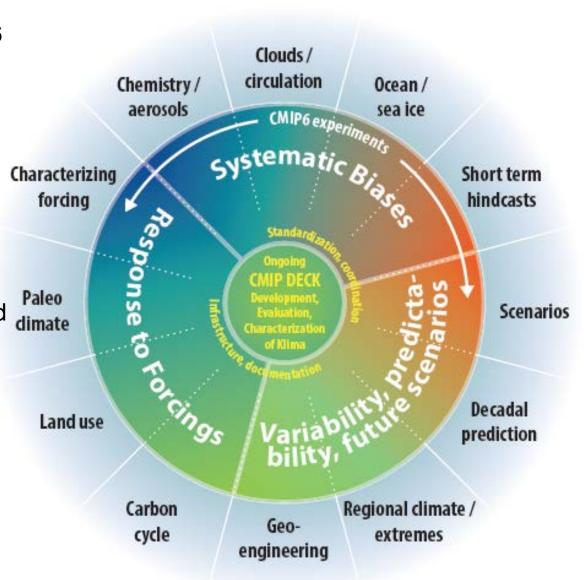
LUMIP Timeline

- 2013 Summer: Concept
- 2013 Fall: CMIP Proposal, WGCM Briefing
- 2014 Spring: GLP Meeting, Workshop 1
- 2014 July 18-19: GEWEX Biogeophysics
- 2014 July 22-23: Hamburg Biogeochemistry
- 2014 August 5-9: AGCI Aspen Joint-MIP Workshop
- 2014 September 15: LUMIP proposal due
- 2014-2017: Diagnostics, new scenarios, new data sets, experimental design
- 2018-2019: Model results and synthesis
- 2020: WG1 AR6 Report published

CMIP6 planning

Terrestrial processes in CMIP6

- LUMIP, C4MIP, ScenarioMIP likely to contain aspects that address land role in and response to climate change
- Pushing for land-only simulations; with/without land use change
- Are there critical land-focused science questions that were not dealt with in CMIP5 and could fall through cracks again?



Priorities for CMIP6 (Land Use)

- 1. Repeat and mature the LUH process (more data, more terms, increased resolution, longer period, better communication)
- 2. Work to standardize products, and usage of products
- 3. Focus: links between LU change, LC change, C fluxes, Biophys.
- 4. New emphasis: LU management, policy relevance, uncertainty
- 5. New scenarios
- Expand RCP-RF definition to include biogeophysical, characterize RF atttributed to land use in ESMs
- 7. Joint harmonization of LU emissions and LU changes
- 8. Increased emphasis on development/utilization of metrics to assess uncoupled and coupled model response to land-use change
- 9. Prepare for fully coupled human-physical models

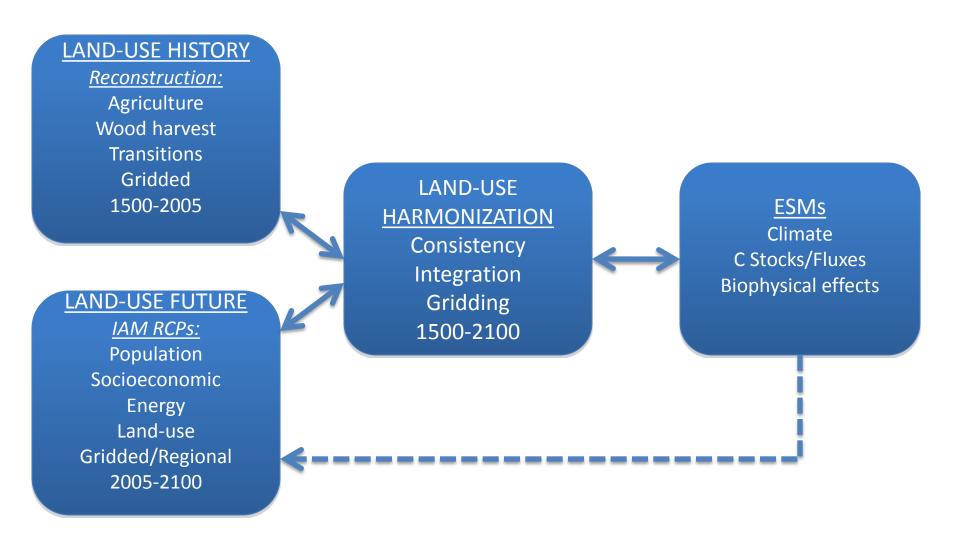
Questions (CMIP5)

- What are the combined biogeochemical and biogeophysical effects of land-use change on Earth System dynamics (past-future)?
- How can data from multiple time periods, sources, quantities etc. best be combined into a common coherent product to satisfy community modeling needs?

What was achieved (LUCID/CMIP5)?

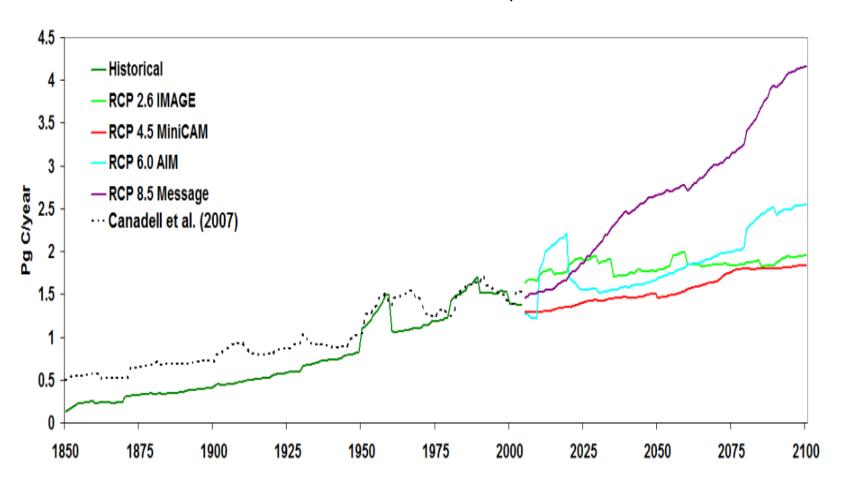
- Gridded historical and projected land use datasets developed
- Harmonization of historical and projected periods
- Historical and projected land use utilized in most CMIP5 models
- Enabled first global model projections of both carbon and climate including land-use effects

Land-Use Scheme (CMIP5)



Results from LUCID/CMIP5

LULCC carbon flux to atmosphere

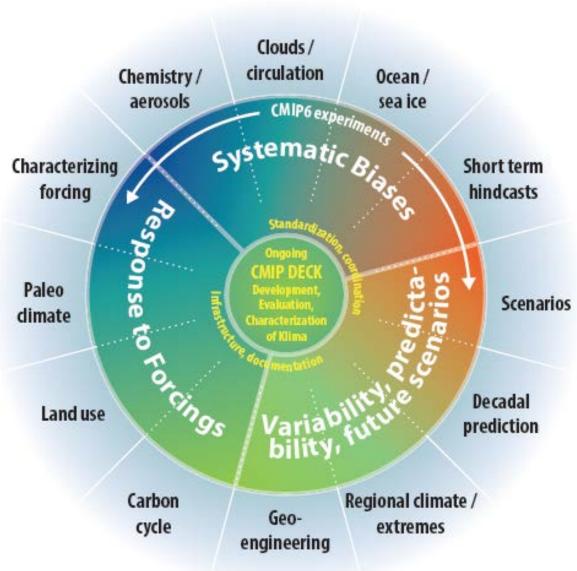


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WCRP Grand Challenges

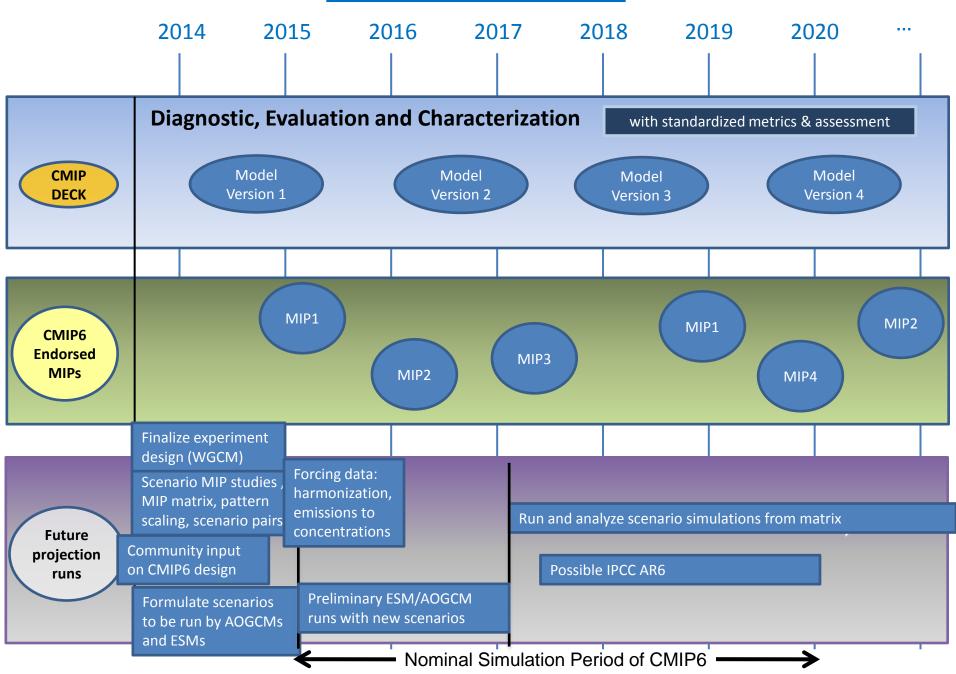
- (1) Clouds, circulation and climate sensitivity
- (2) Changes in cryosphere
- (3) Climate extremes
- (4) Regional climate information
- (5) Regional sea-level rise
- (6) Water availability

plus an additional theme on "biospheric forcings and feedbacks"



Meehl et al., EOS, 2014

CMIP6 timeline



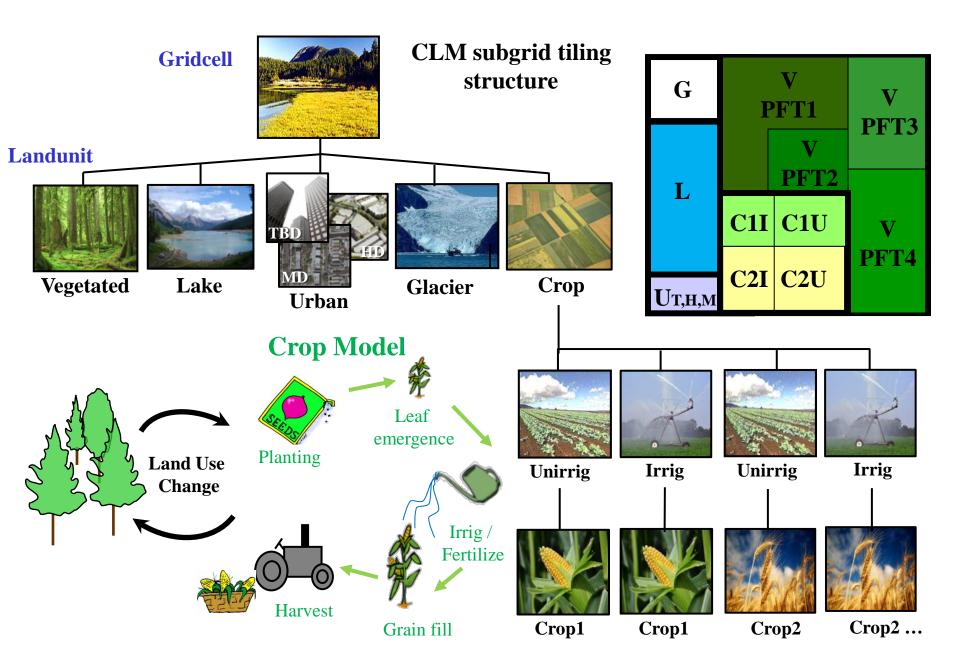
LUMIP Major Activities

Vertical integration and coordination

- Historic and projected land use dataset generation and harmonization
- Consideration of additional land management information
- Development/application of land-use metrics
- Coupled and offline experiments focused on land use for CMIP6 (idealized and scenarios)

Benefits

- CMIP6 endorsed MIPs can make full use of the ESGF infrastructure
- Standardization of land-use variables / model output format



LUMIP Science Questions

- What are the effects of land use and land-use change on climate (past-future)?
- What are the effects of climate change on land-use and land-use change?
- *Additional detailed science questions to get at process level attribution, uncertainty, data requirements, etc.
- *Particular focus on uncertainty, and separating effects of: fossil fuel vs. land use, biogeochemical vs biophysical, land cover vs land management.