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# **NOAA Air Quality Forecast Feedback for 2014 Ozone Season**

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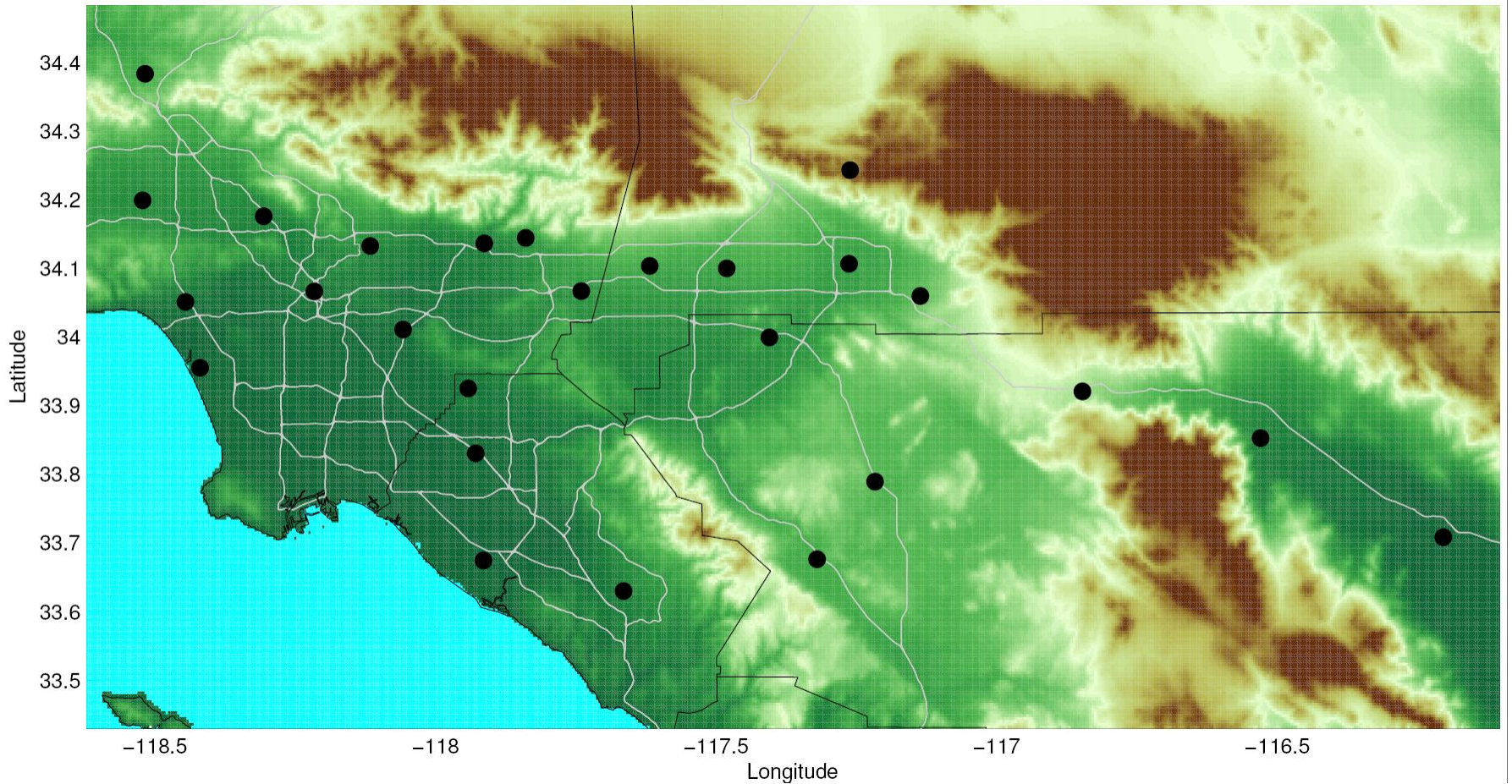
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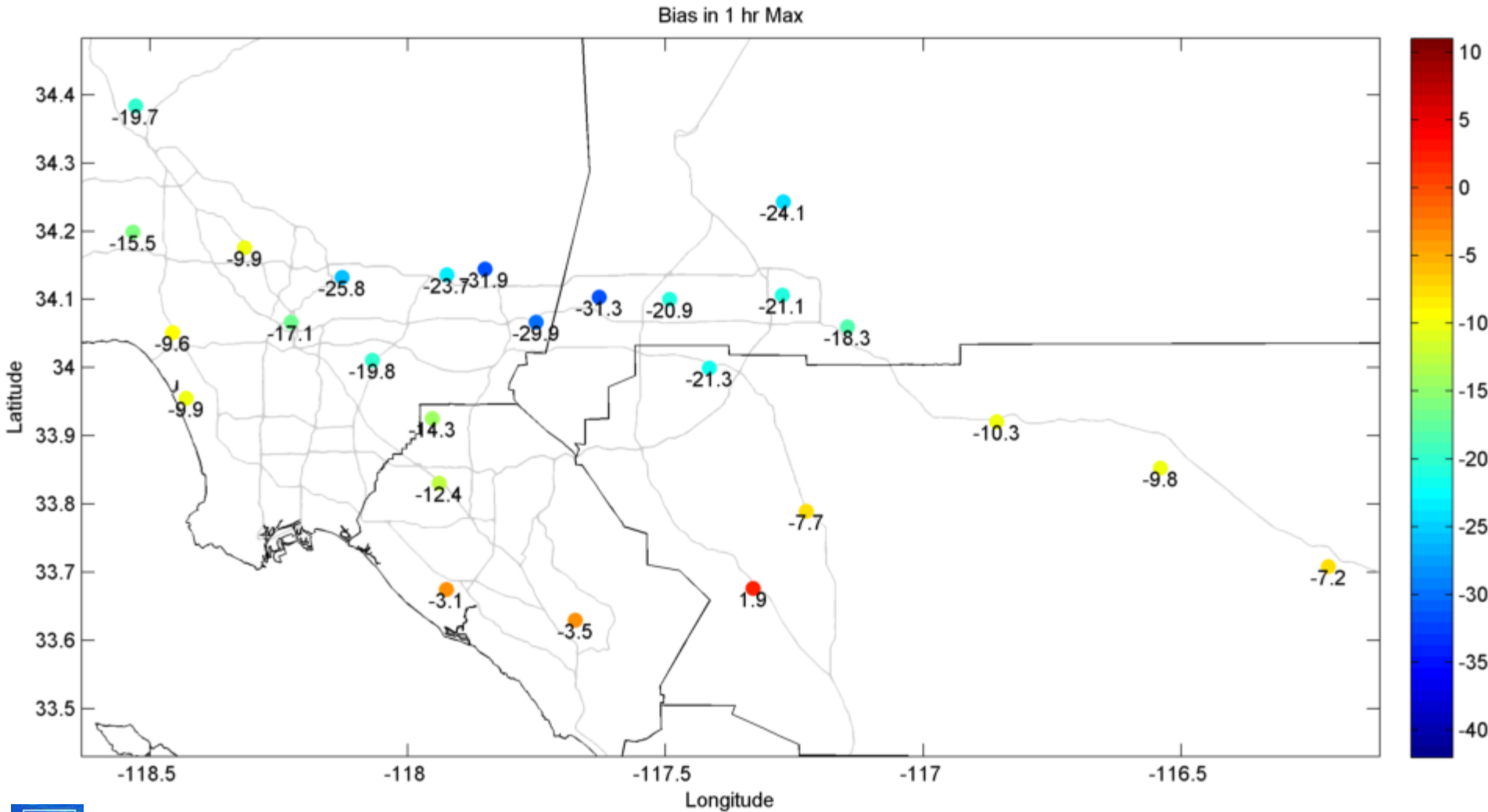
# NOAA Forecast Product

- GRIB file downloaded from
  - [ftp://ftp.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/mmb/aq/for\\_NDGD\\_5x\\_expr/](ftp://ftp.emc.ncep.noaa.gov/mmb/aq/for_NDGD_5x_expr/)
  - **12z cycle** was the primary focus of our analysis
  - Available files are
    - aqm.t12z.grib2\_1hr.227
    - aqm.t12z.grib2\_8hr.227
    - aqm.t12z.grib2\_5xpmnmmb.227
  - The period was from May 1 to August 24
  - New CMAQ 4.6.3 has been used to produce since August 5

# The Greater Los Angeles Area

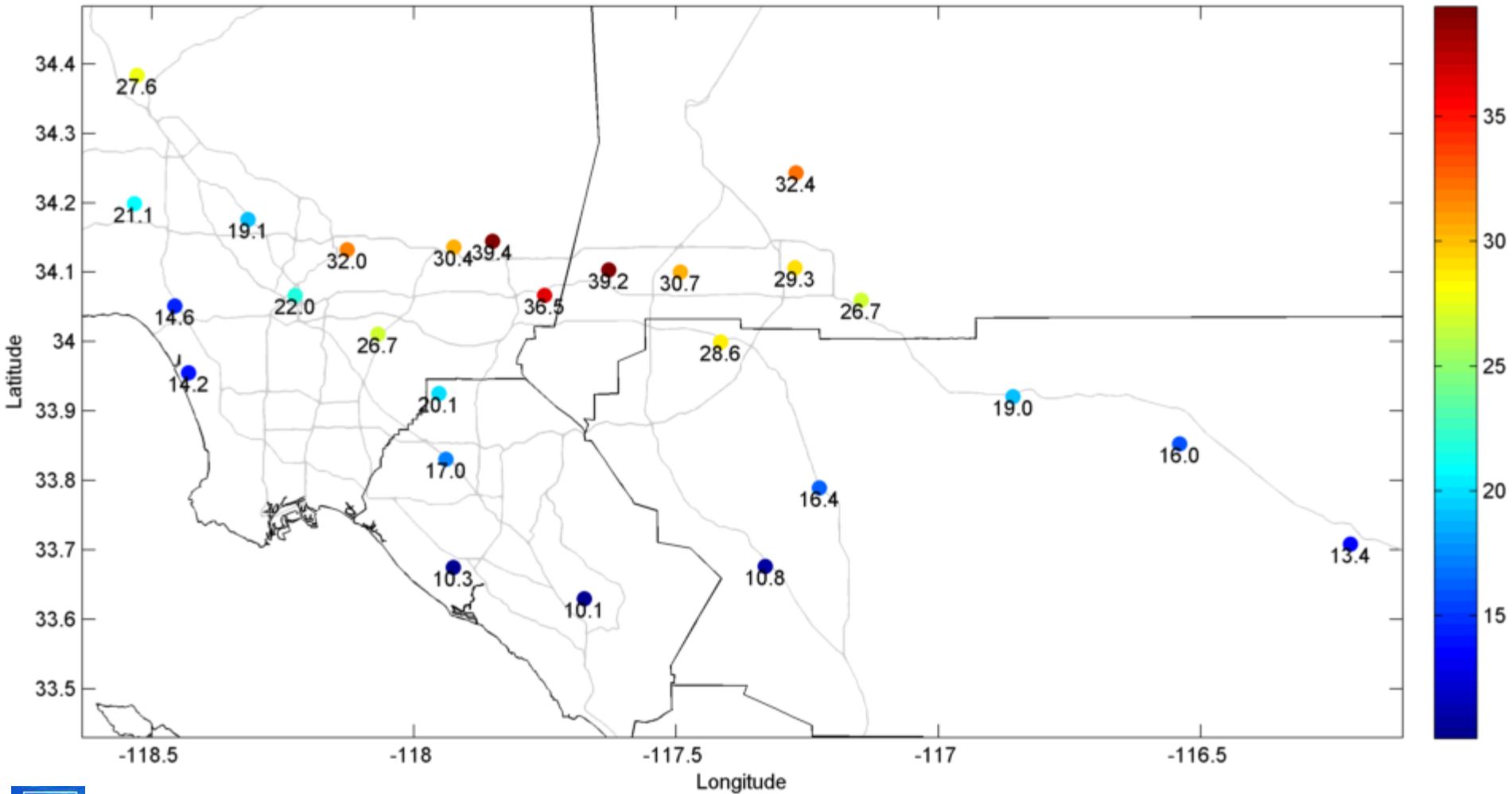


# 1 hr Ozone Bias for May - August

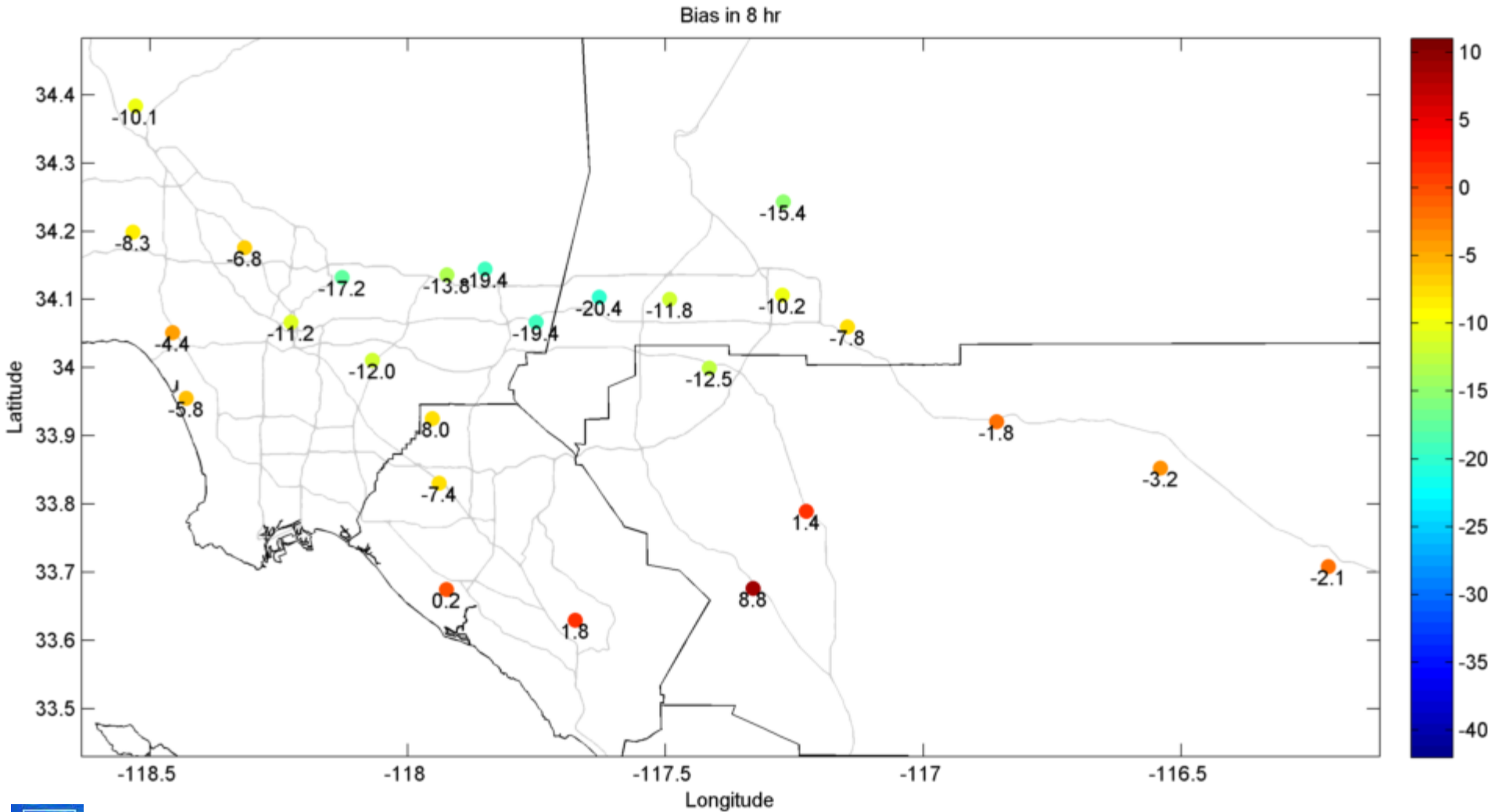


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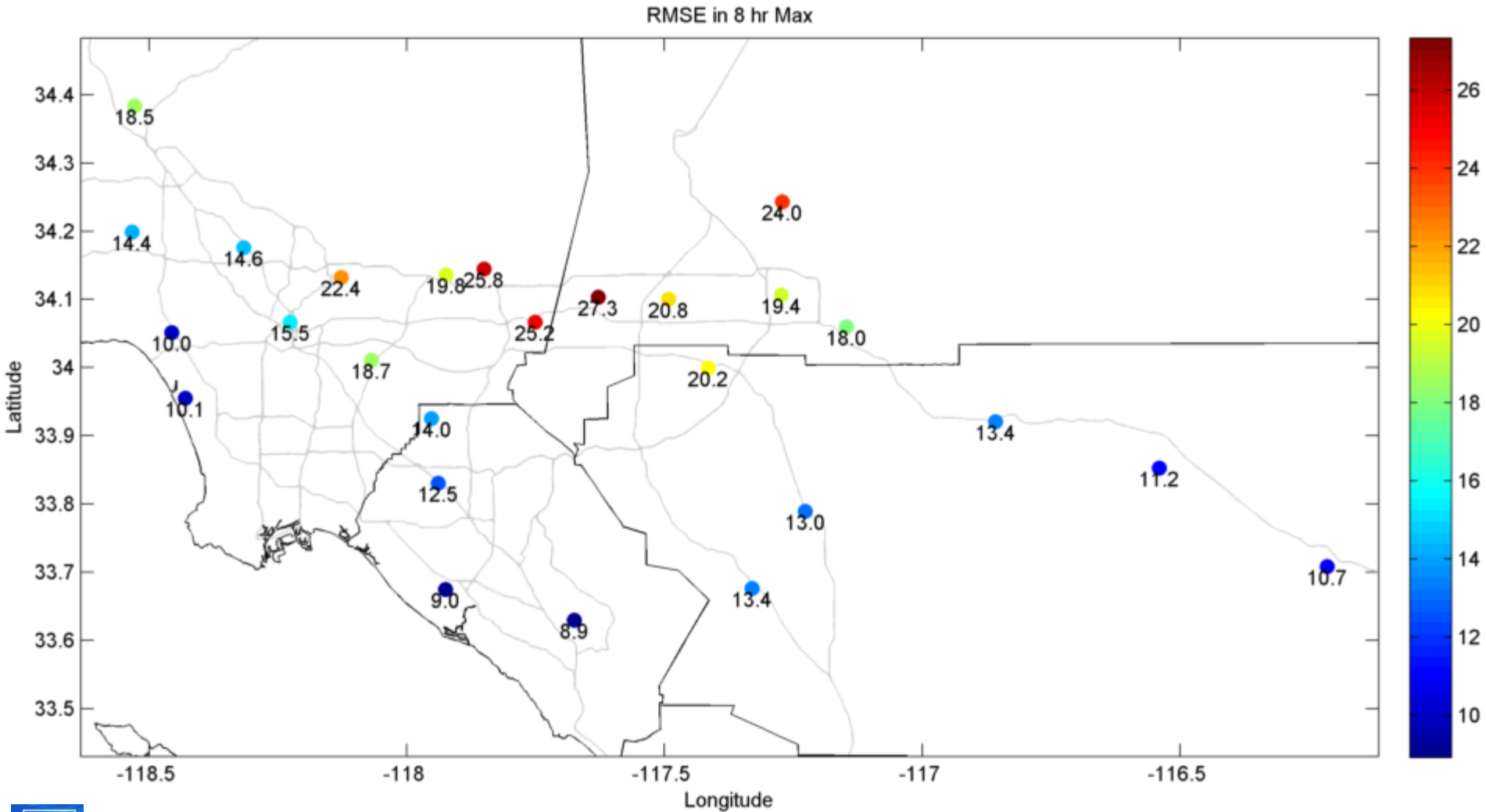
RMSE in 1 hr Max



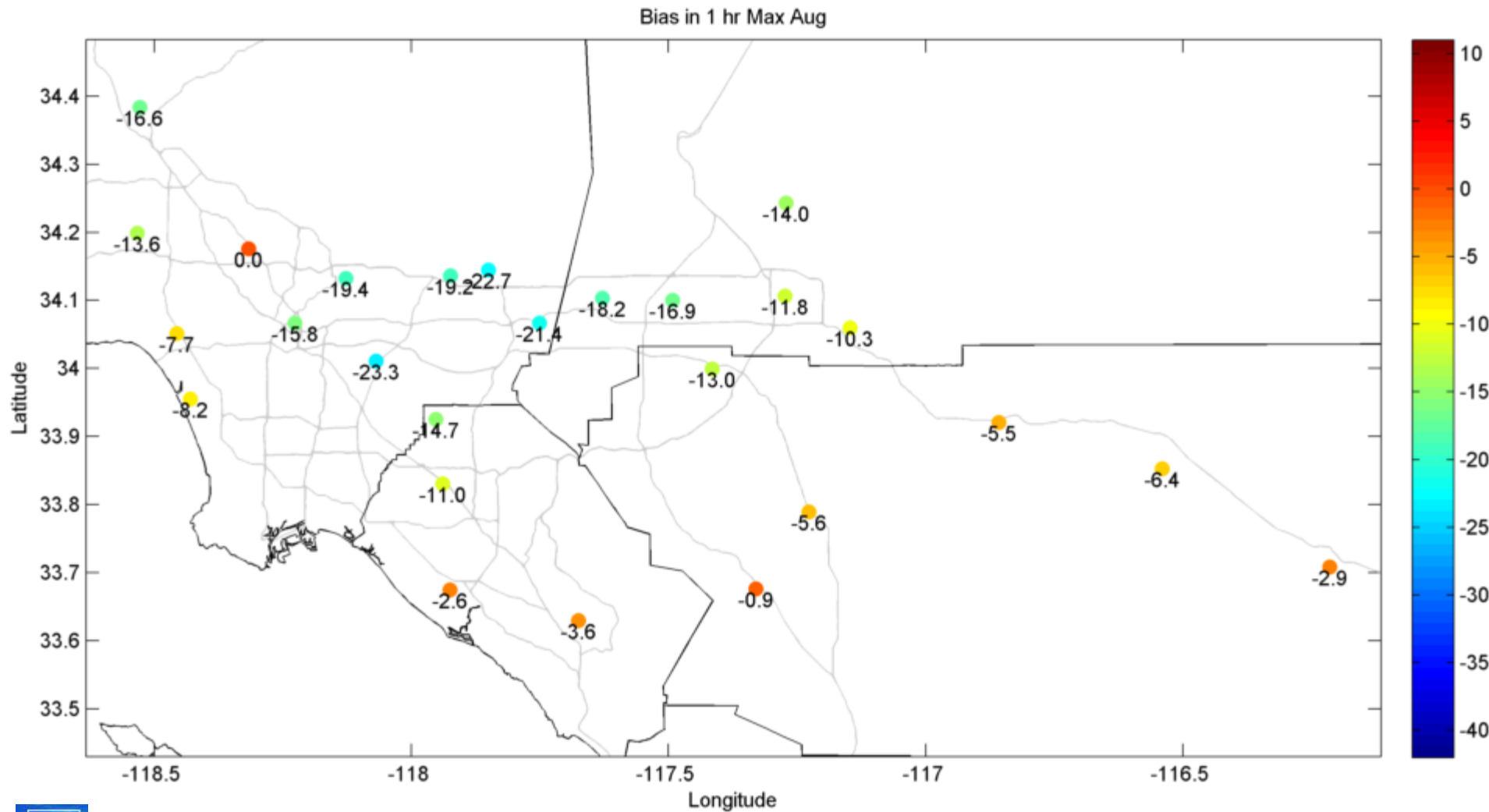
# 8 hr Ozone Bias for May - August



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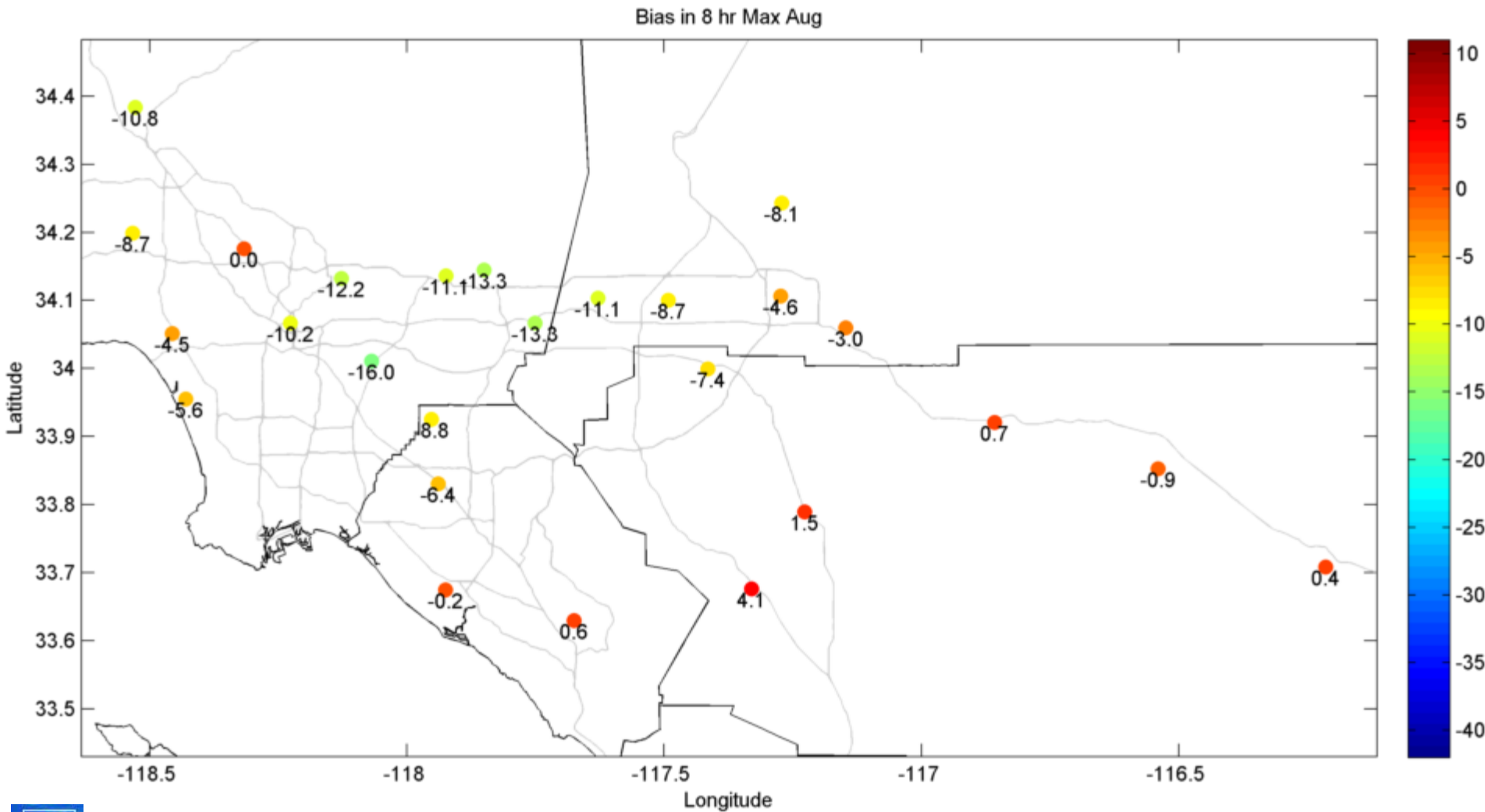


# 1 hr Ozone Bias for August 1-24

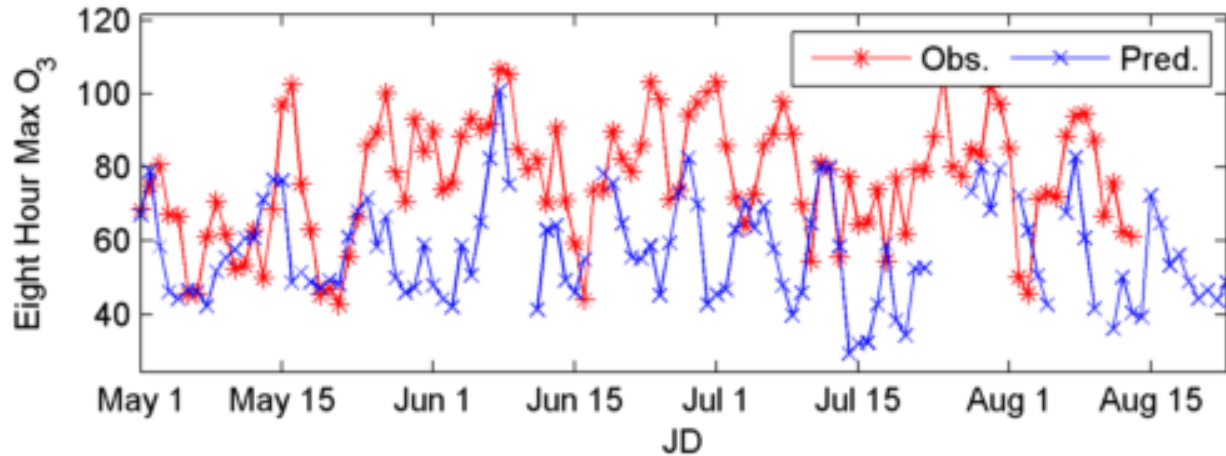
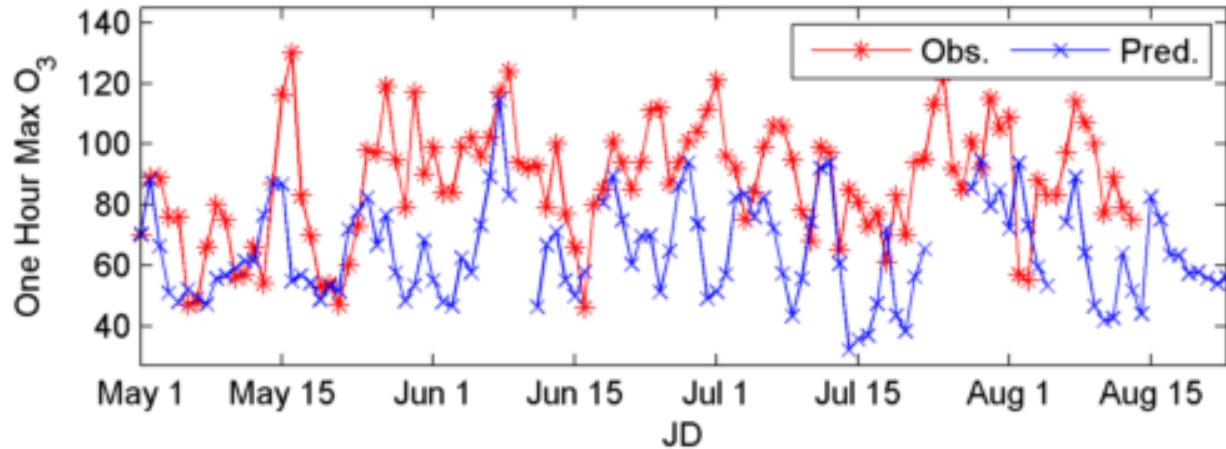




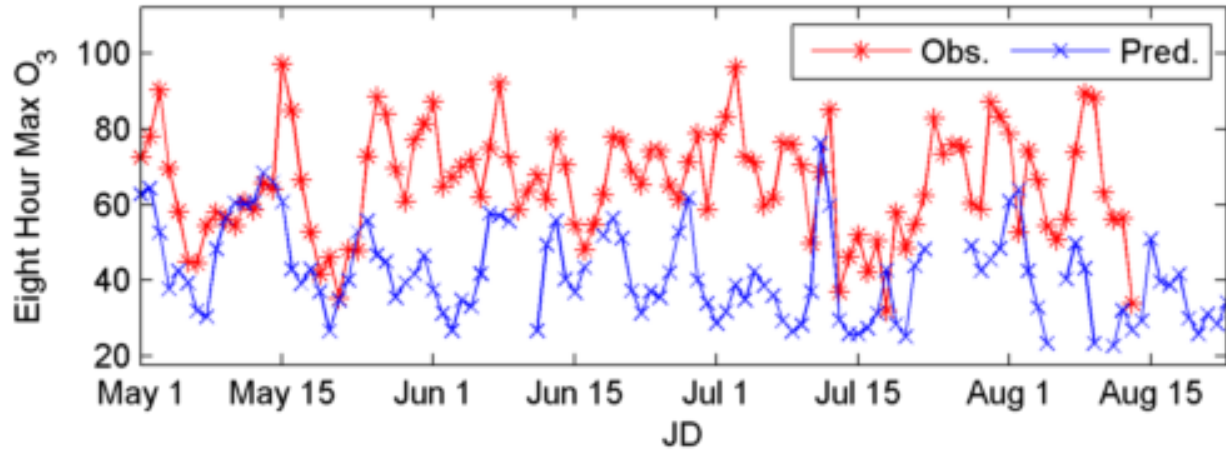
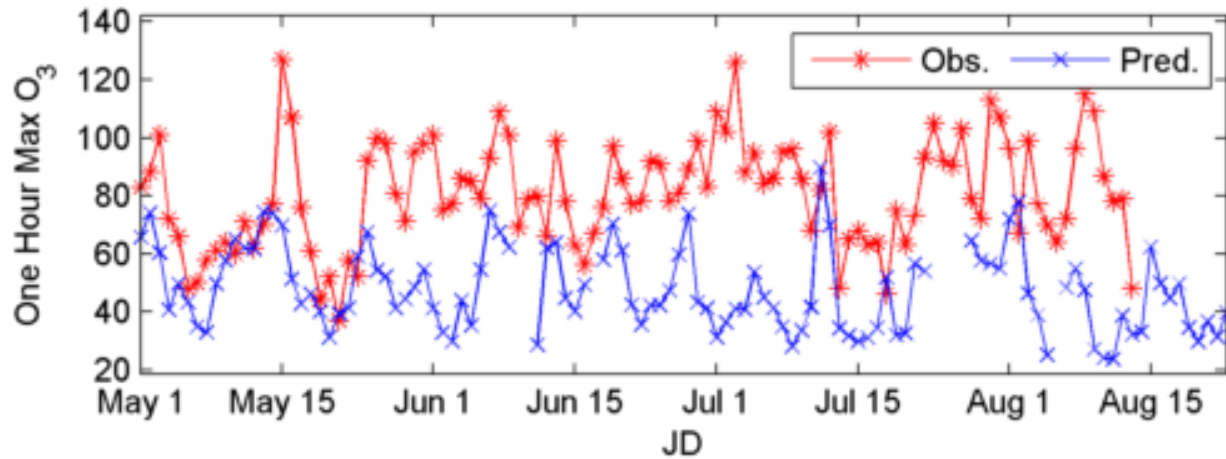
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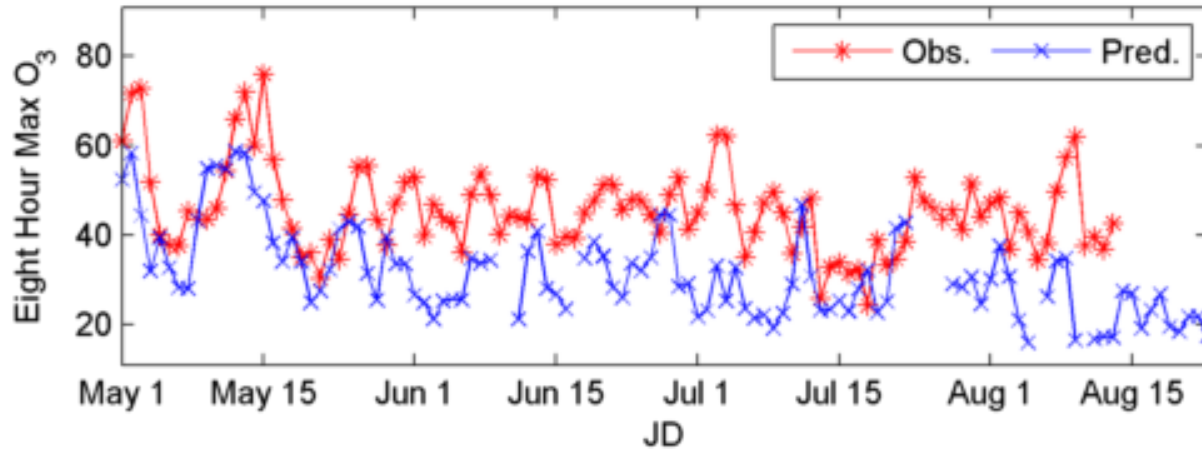
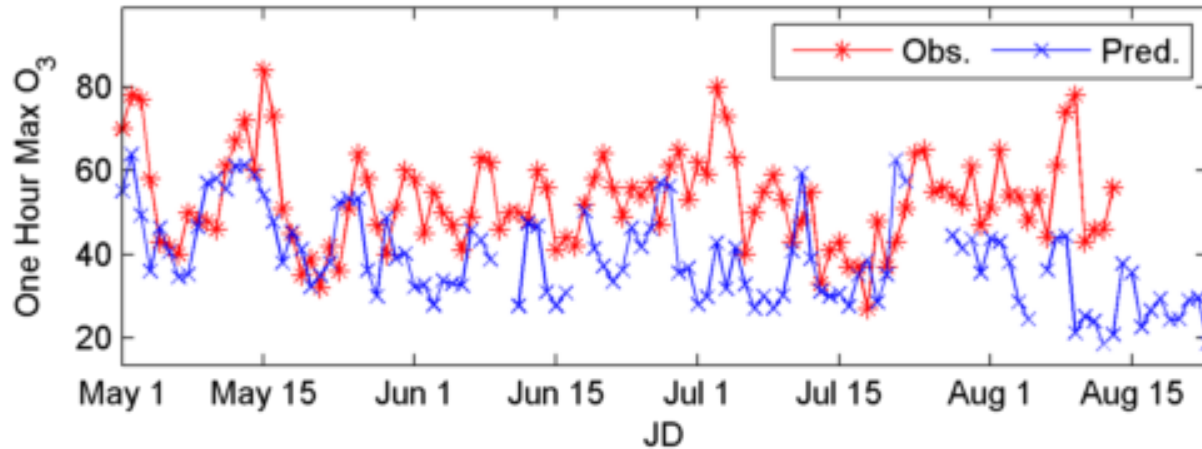
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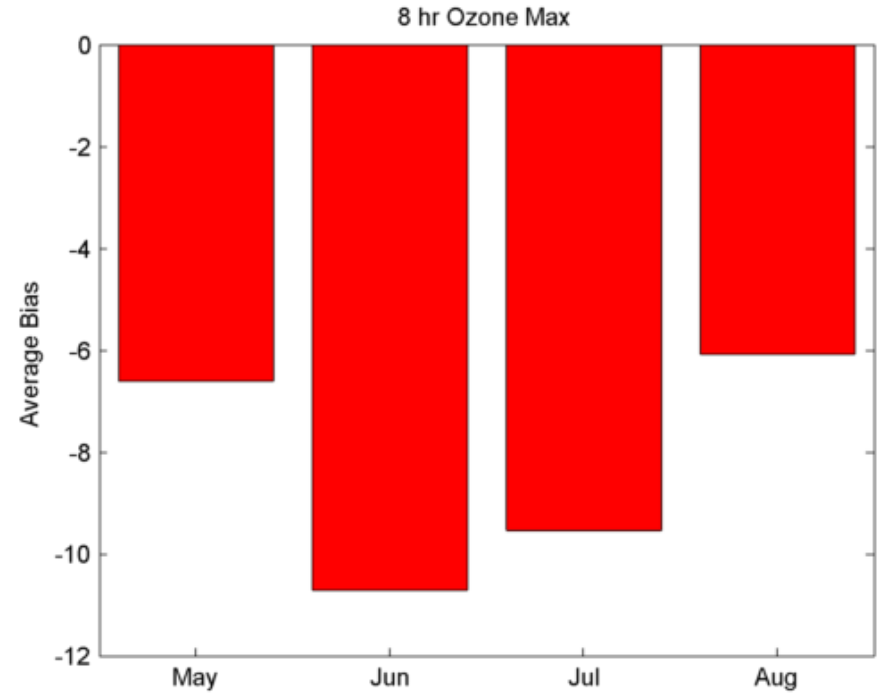
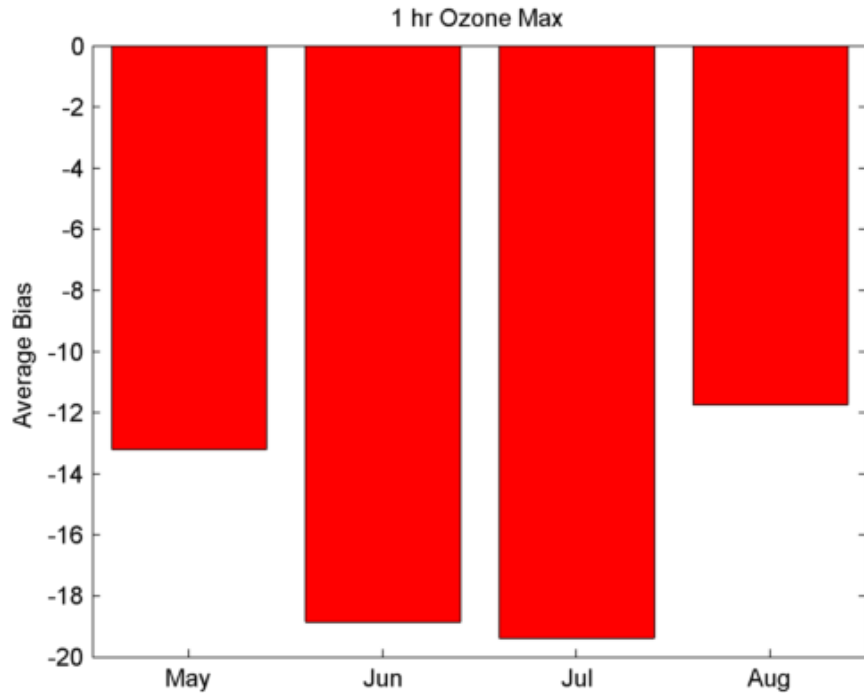
# Glendora



# Central Los Angeles



# Basin Average Bias per month

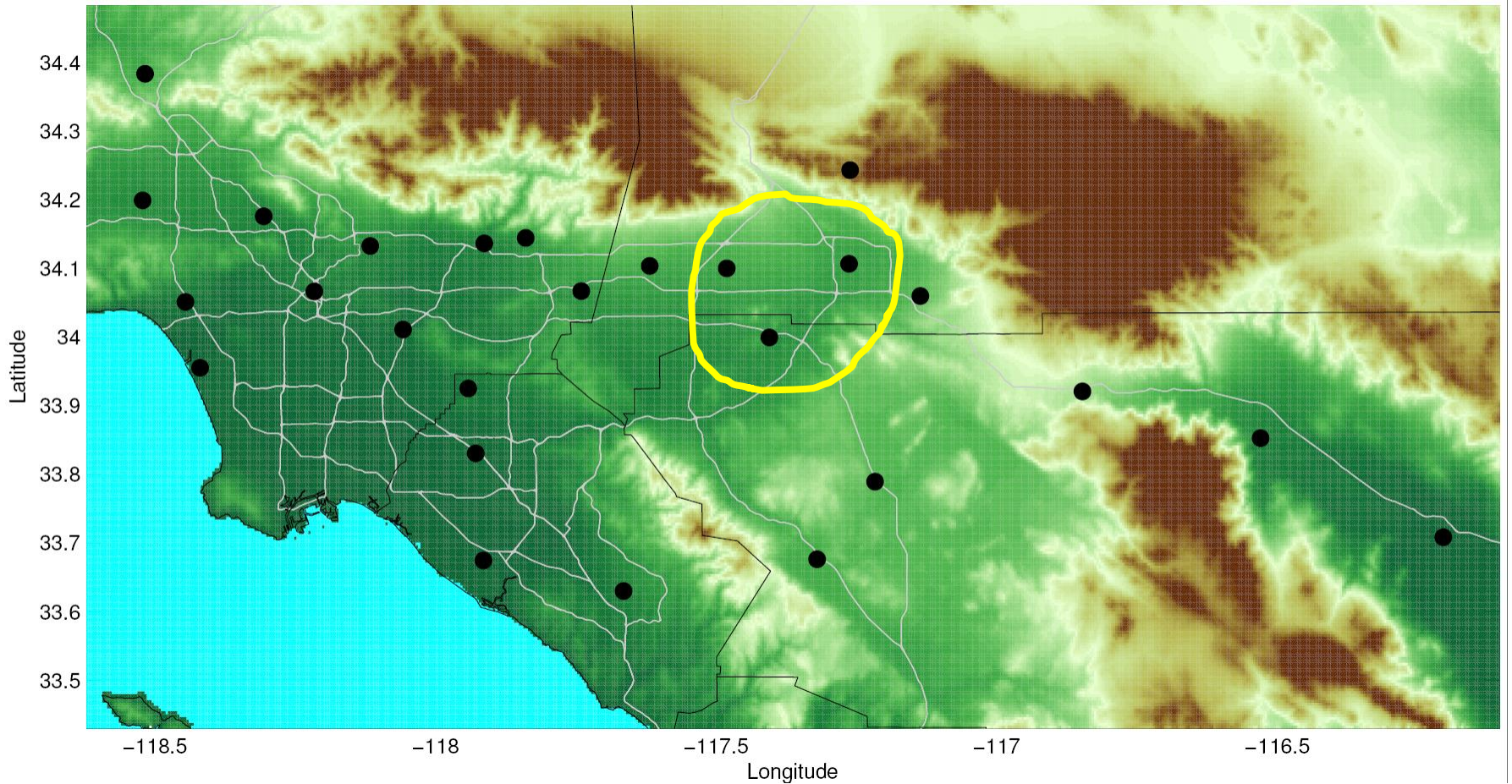


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# COMPARISON TO THE SEASON 2010

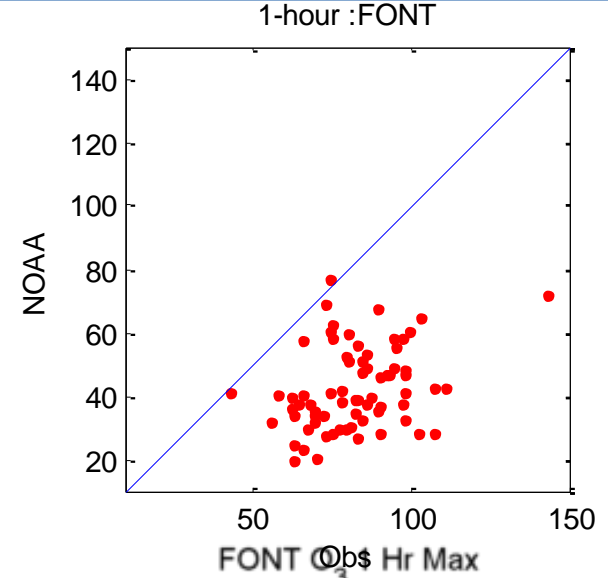
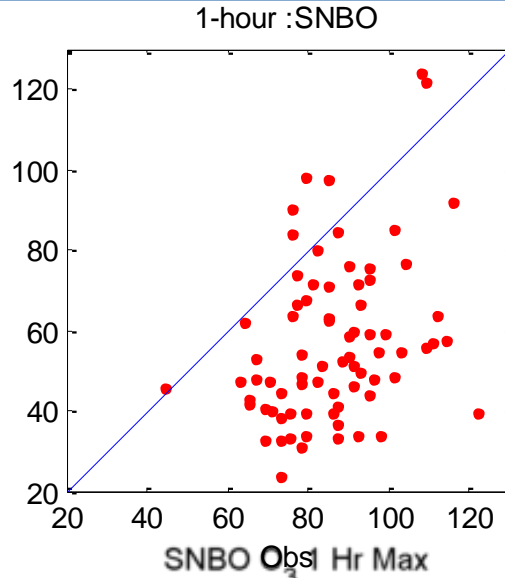
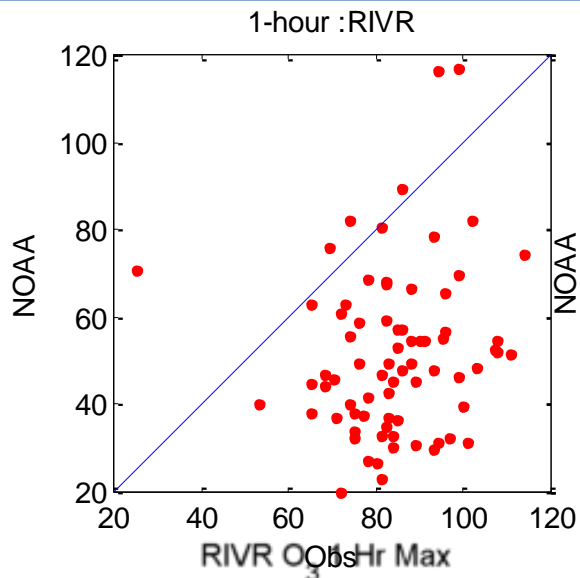


# Inland Downwind Stations

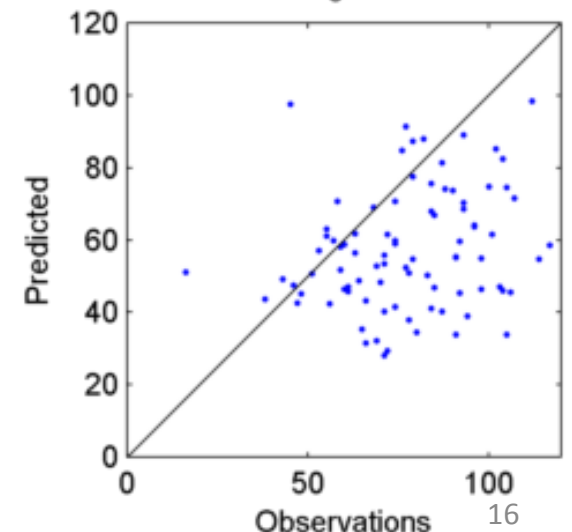
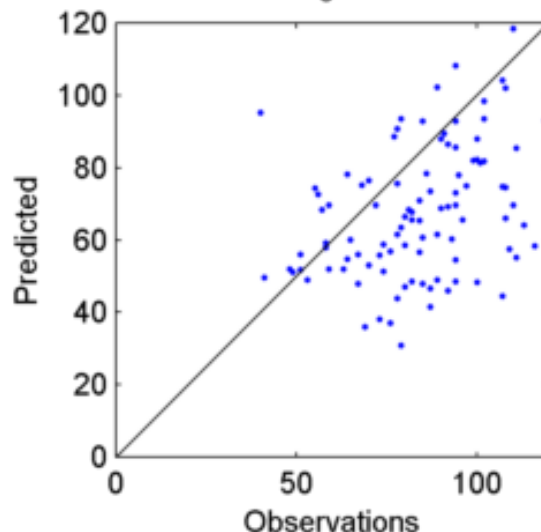
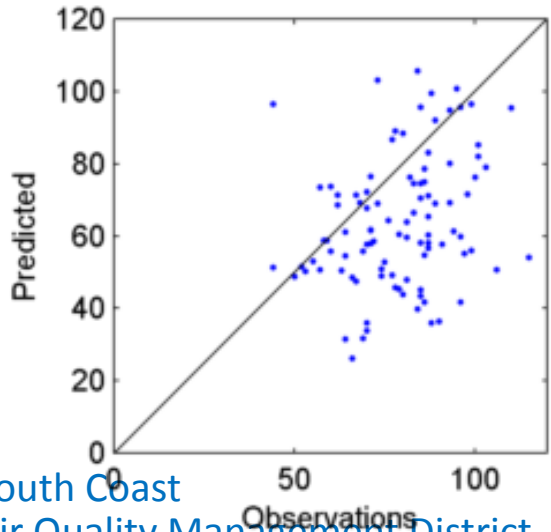


# 1hr O3 for '2010 vs '2014

2010



2014



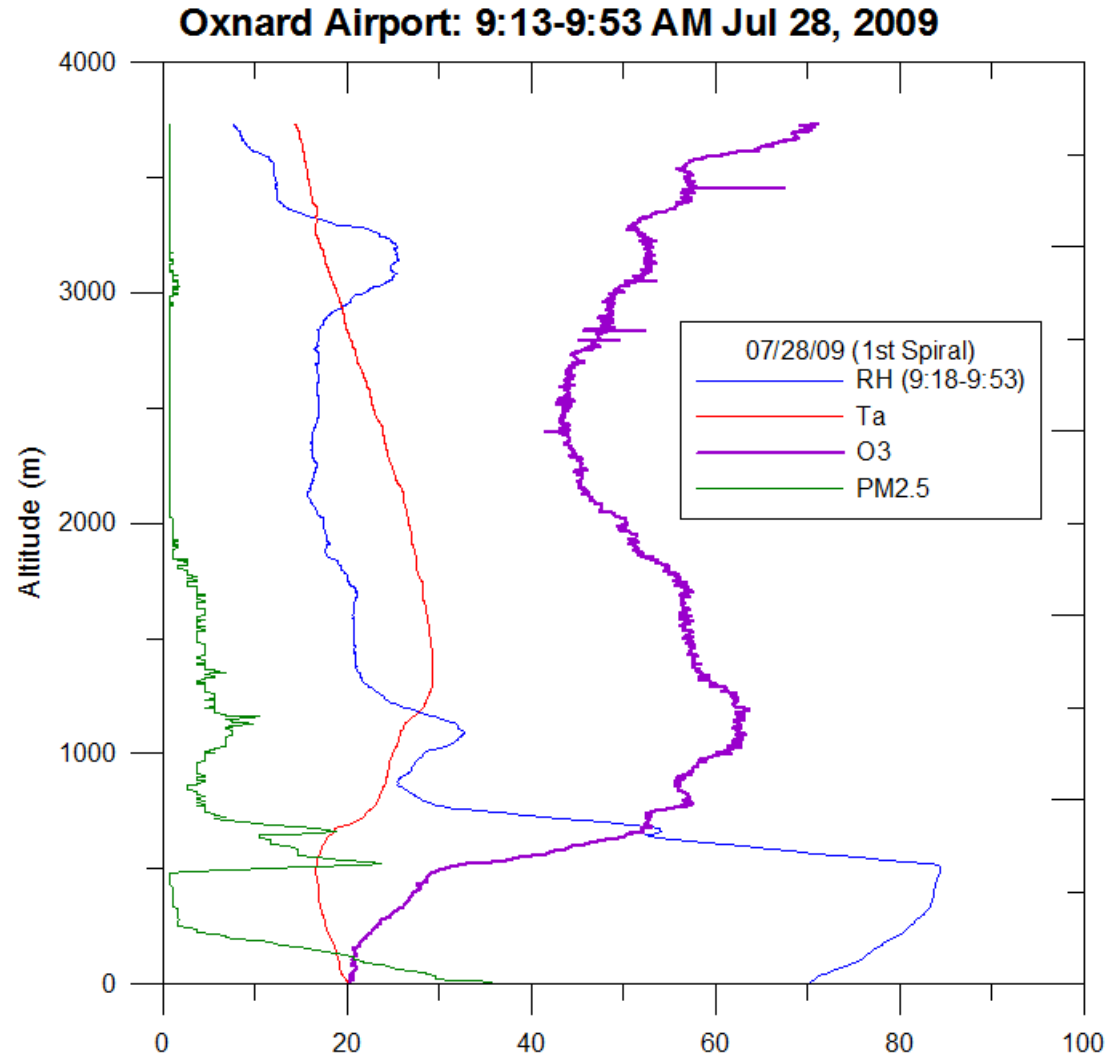


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# MODELING EFFORTS IN SCAQMD



# Sea breeze return component laden with elevated O3 & PM2.5



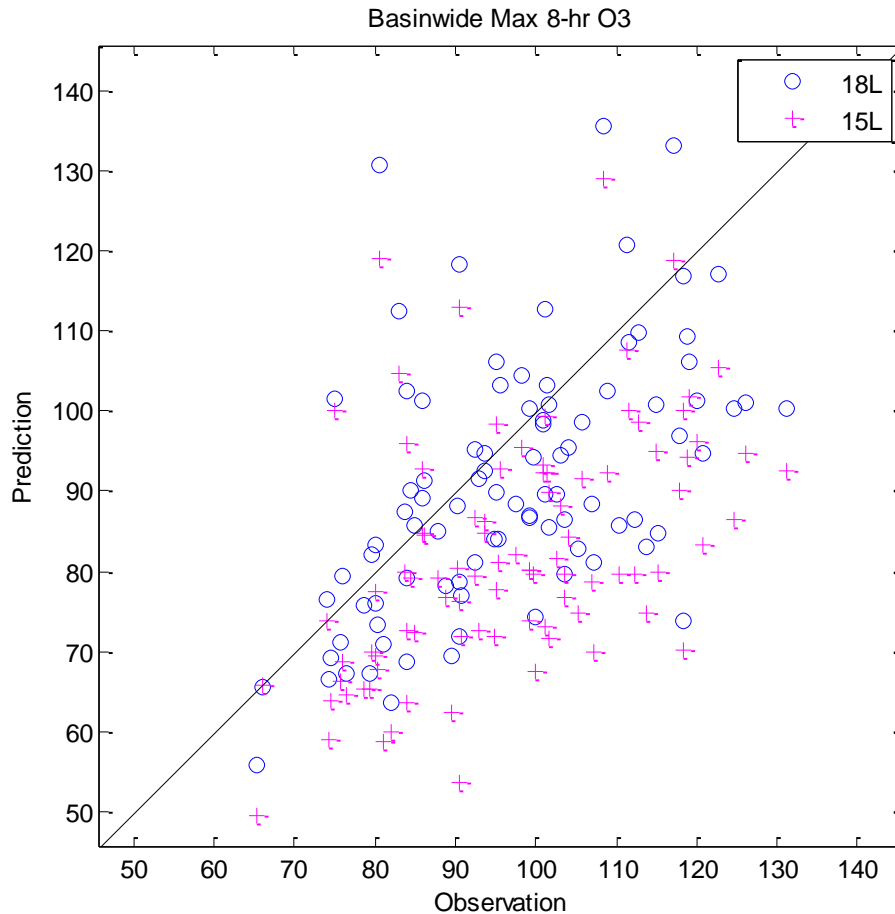
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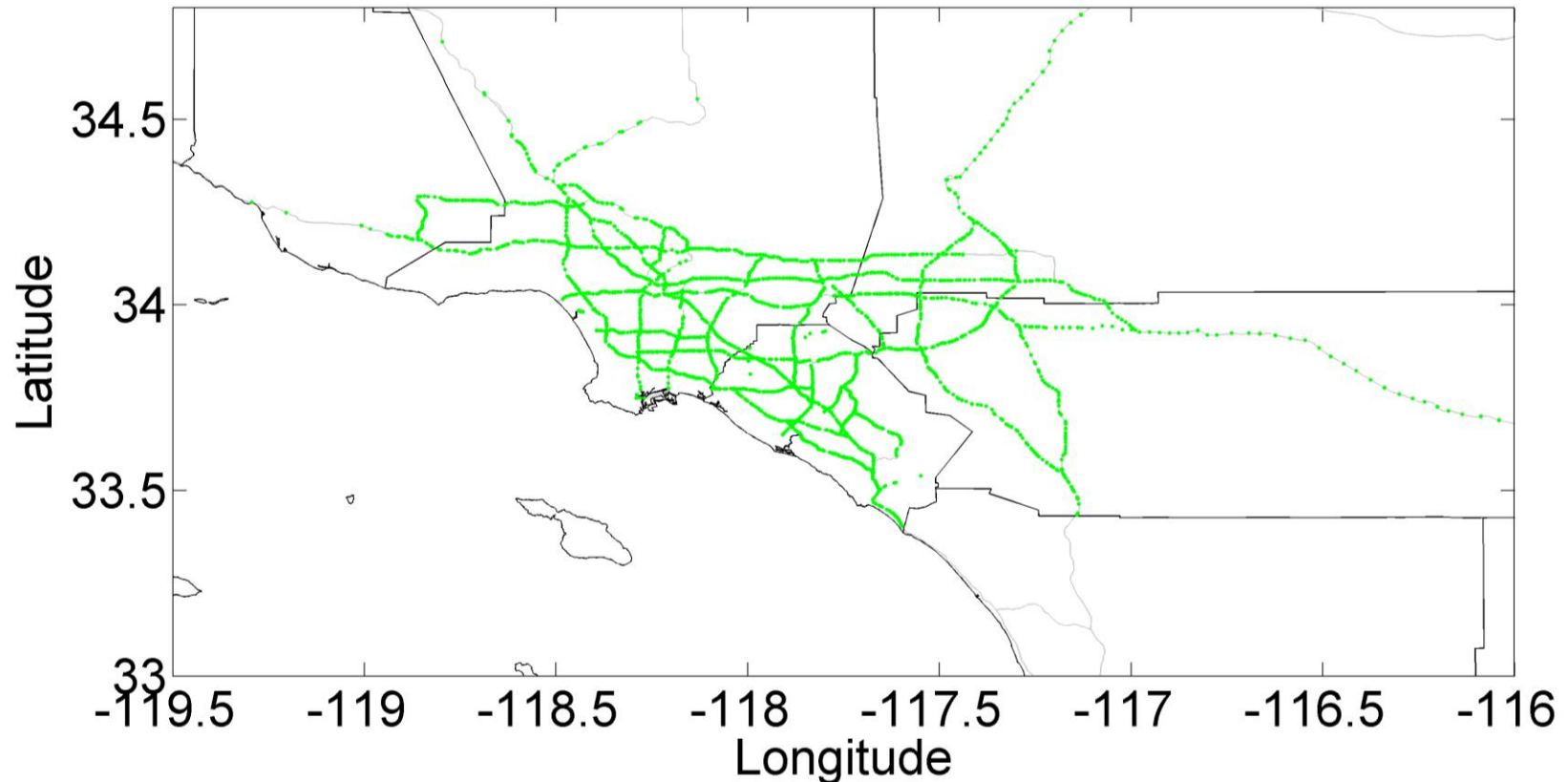
# Max 8-Hr O3 from Layer Collapsed Runs



15 Layer structure over diluted ground 8hr O3 by a few to 10 ppb

# Real-Time Traffic to construct Emissions

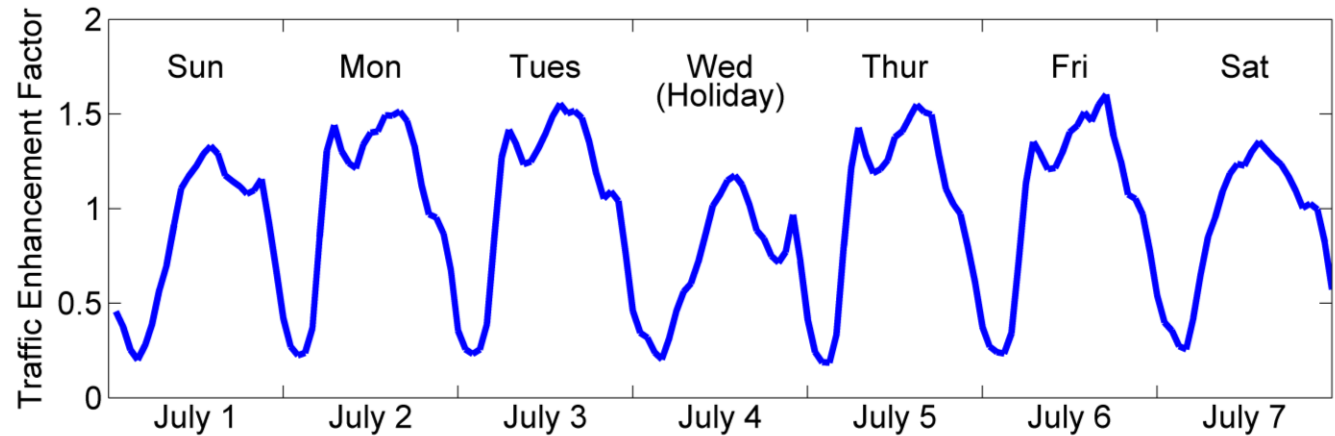
- Analyzed CalTrans PEMS data for 2012
- > 9,000 traffic monitoring stations in South Coast Air Basin
- Extracted traffic flow from each of the stations



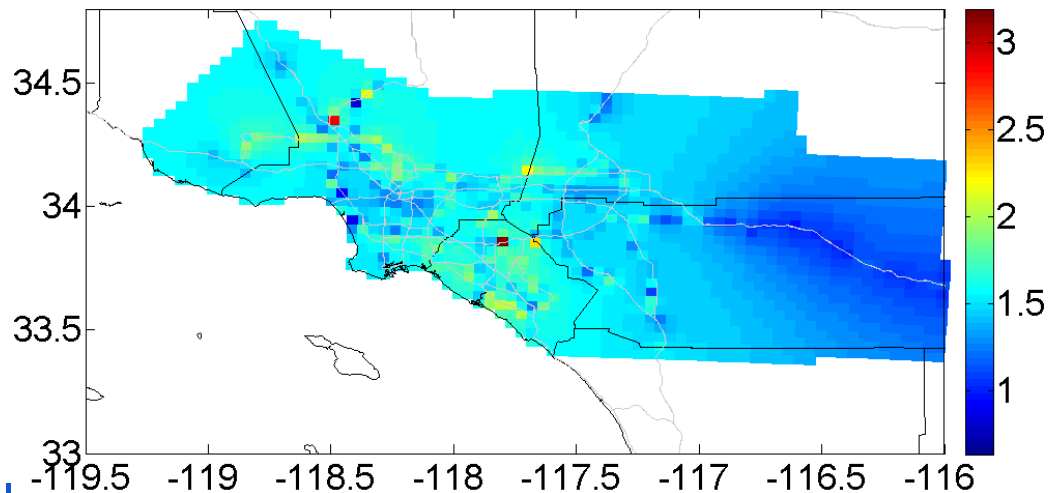
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- We calculated normalized traffic flow for every grid cell within the basin for every day in 2012

Downtown L.A. Normalized Traffic Flow



July 3rd 2012 at 5:00 PM



- These traffic profiles capture spatial and temporal variability within the Basin
  - ✓ Special events
  - ✓ Seasonal traffic patterns
  - ✓ Holidays