



# OTC Modeling Committee Update

OTC & MANE-VU Spring Stakeholders' Meeting

April 14, 2022

# Accomplishments & Ongoing Work

- Tracking OTR ozone levels and the preliminary attainment status
- Modeling:
  - Completed V1 2016 and 2023 Modeling with CMAQ and CAMx
  - Starting updating to the new V2 emission inventories and performing new base case modeling for 2016, 2023 and 2026
  - Performed sensitivity modeling on the OTC 4km modeling subdomain
  - Nearing Completion - 2018/19 Episodic screening modeling for peak electric demand days
- Nearing completion of the draft Modeling Technical Support Document (TSD)
- Following the evolving science of regional research efforts

# 2008 and 2015 Ozone NAAQS Timelines

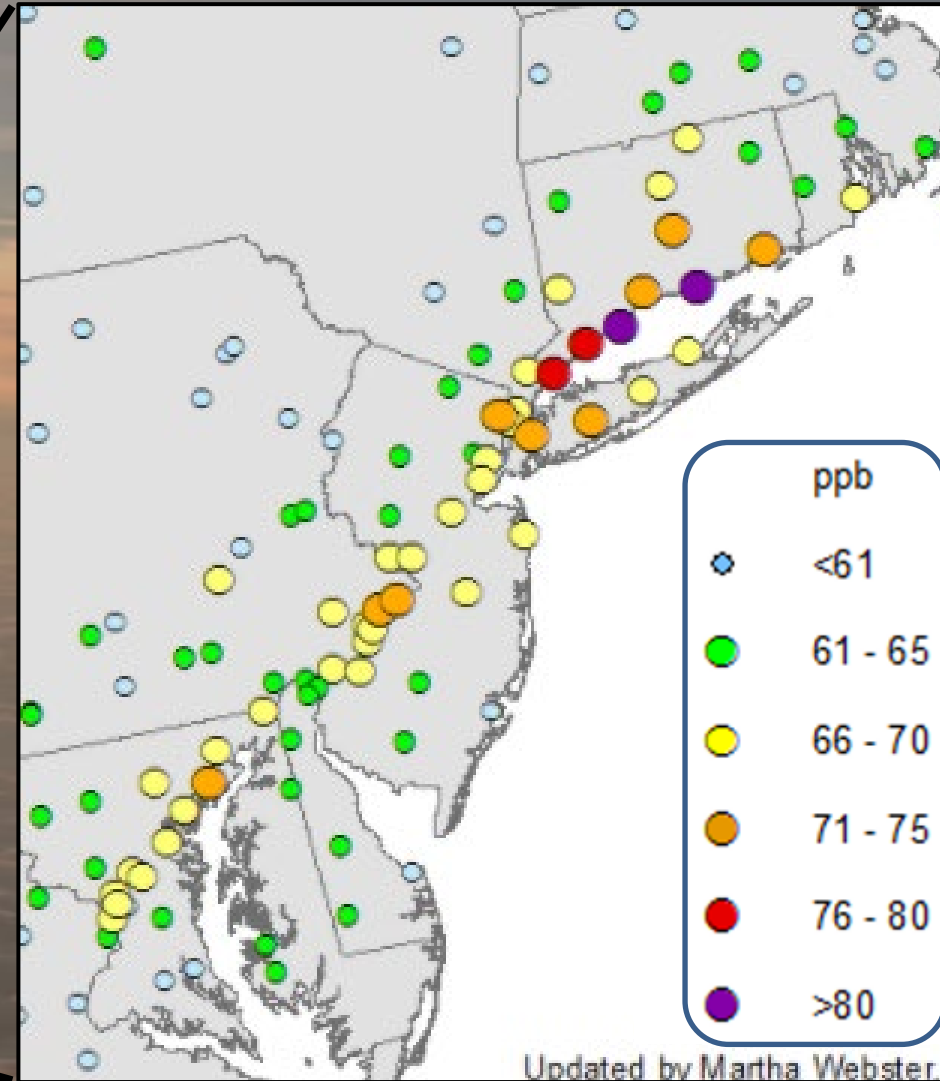
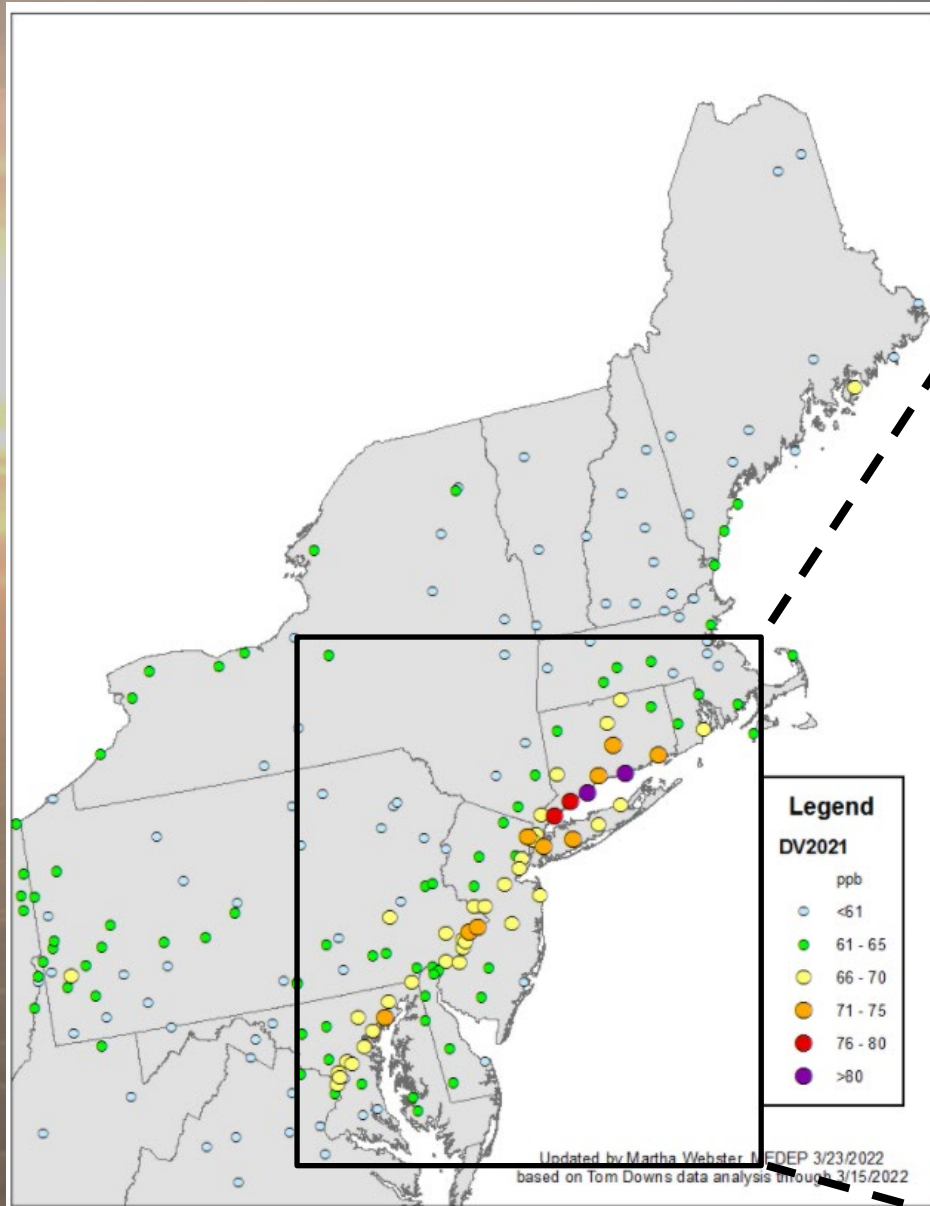
Ozone Timeline	2008 NAAQS	2015 NAAQS	Proposed Bump-ups
Marginal Nonattainment Area Attainment Date		August 2021 (2018-20 data)	Gtr CT, Philly, Baltimore, (DC?) Nonattainment Areas
Moderate Nonattainment Area Attainment Date		August 2024 (2021-23 data)	
Serious Nonattainment Area Attainment Date	July 2021 (2018-20 data)	August 2027 (2024-26 data)	
Severe Nonattainment Area Attainment Date	July 2027 (2024-26 data)	August 2033	NY Nonattainment Area
Extreme Nonattainment Area Attainment Data	July 2032	August 2038	



An aerial photograph of a vast, textured landscape, possibly a desert or a large-scale agricultural field, under a dramatic sunset sky. The sun is low on the horizon on the left, casting a warm glow over the scene. The sky transitions from a deep orange near the horizon to a pale blue at the top. The ground below is covered in a dense, repeating pattern of small, rounded mounds or hills, creating a complex, undulating texture. The overall mood is serene and expansive.

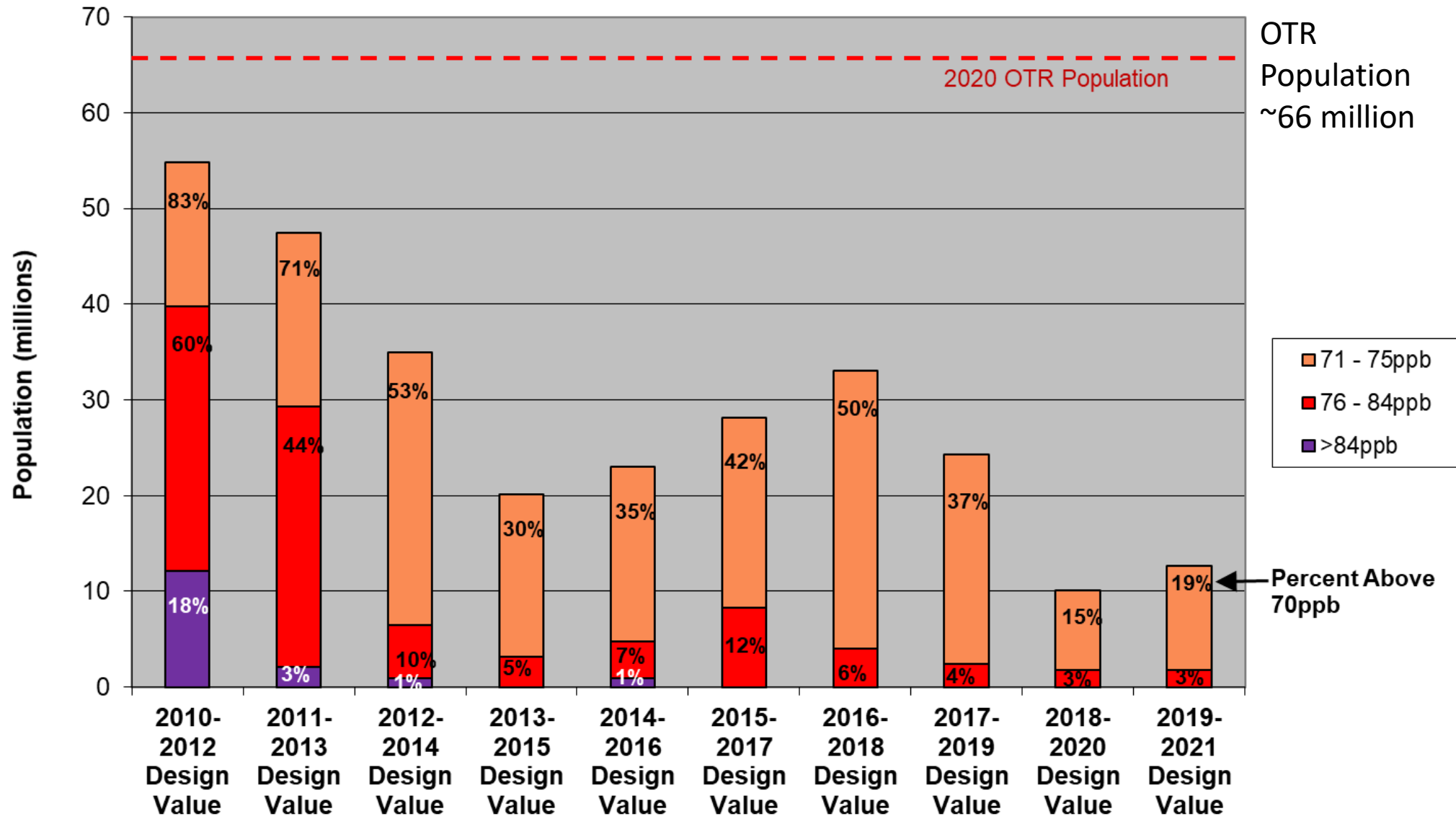
# **OZONE MONITORING AND NONATTAINMENT**

# Preliminary 2019-2021 Design Values



*Ozone design values are the 3-year average of the year's 4<sup>th</sup> maximum 8-hour concentration at each monitor. It directly compares to the health standard (NAAQS).*

## Population Ozone Exposure in the OTR



*Population near closest representative monitor*

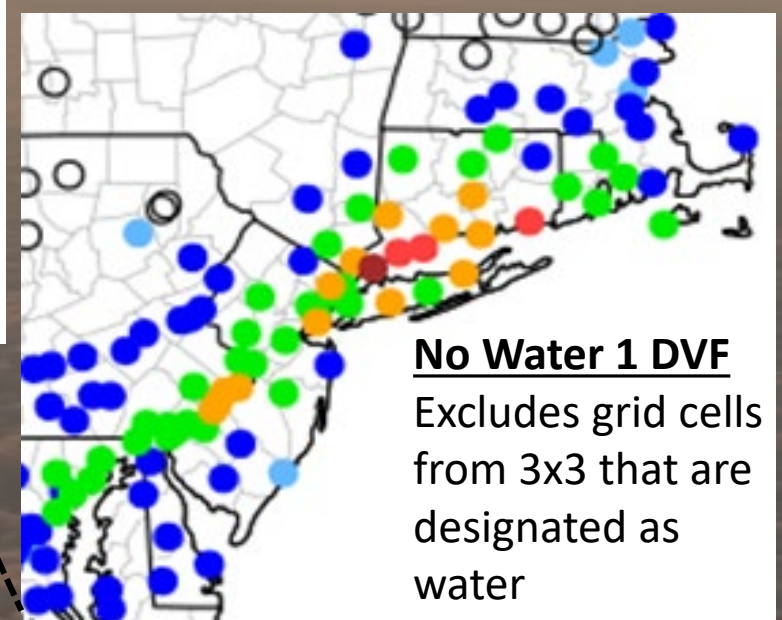
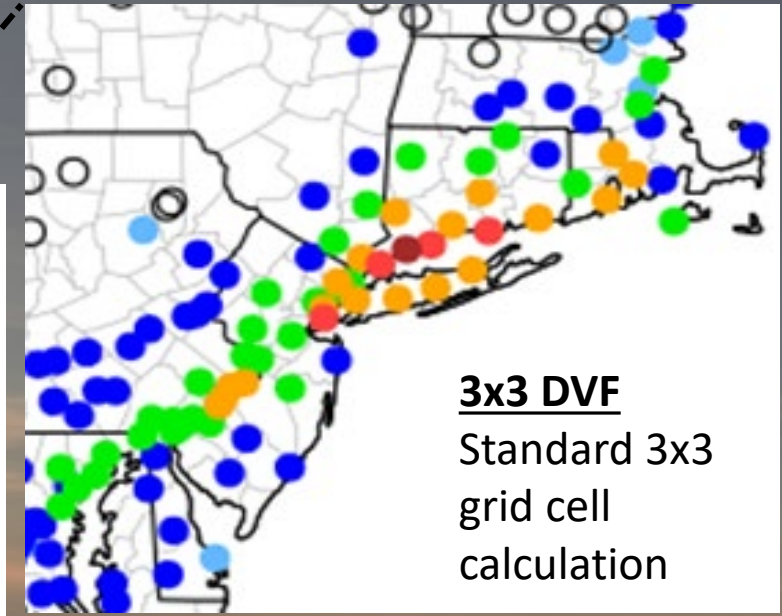
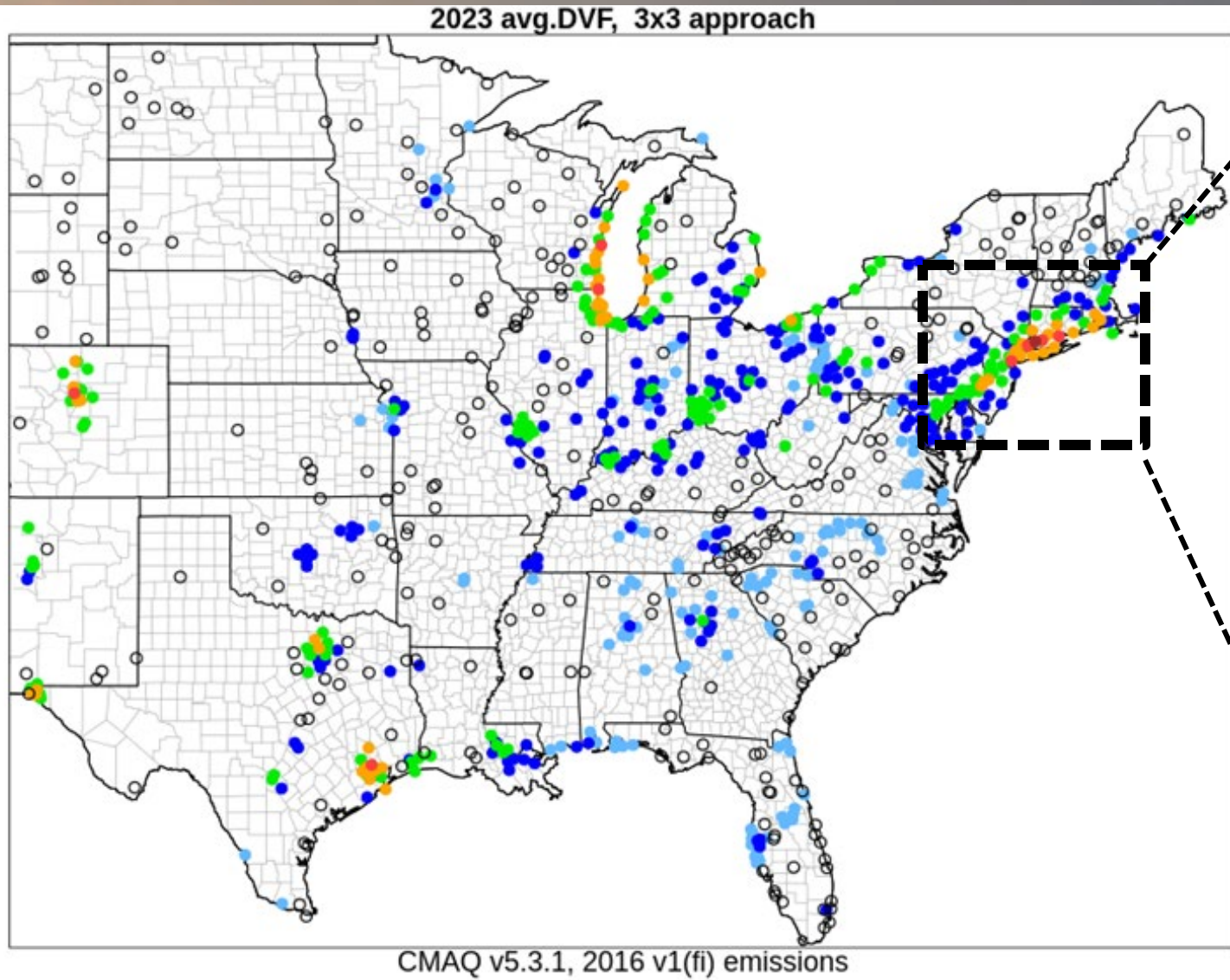
*Population based on 2020 Census Estimates*

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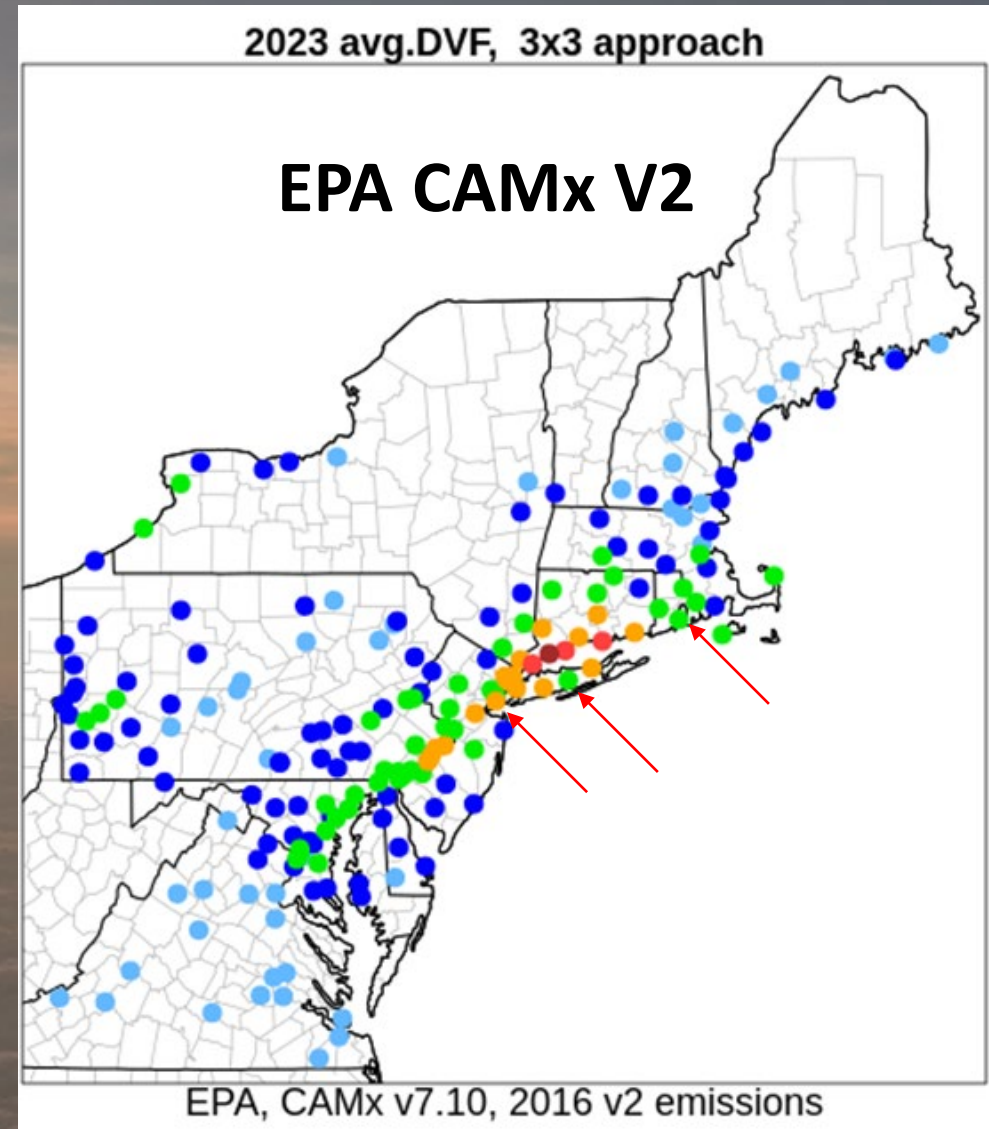
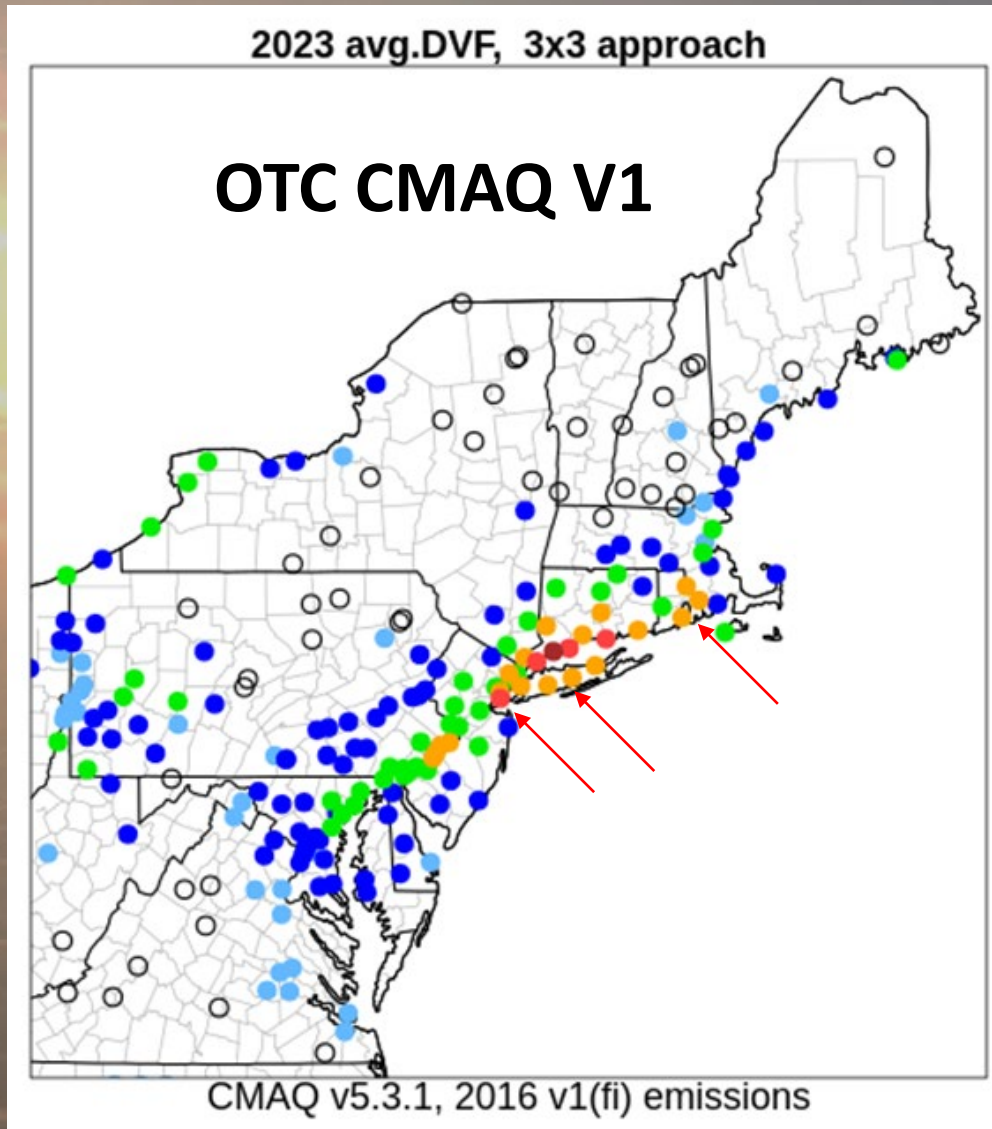


# OTC 2023 Projected Design Values (V1) - CMAQ

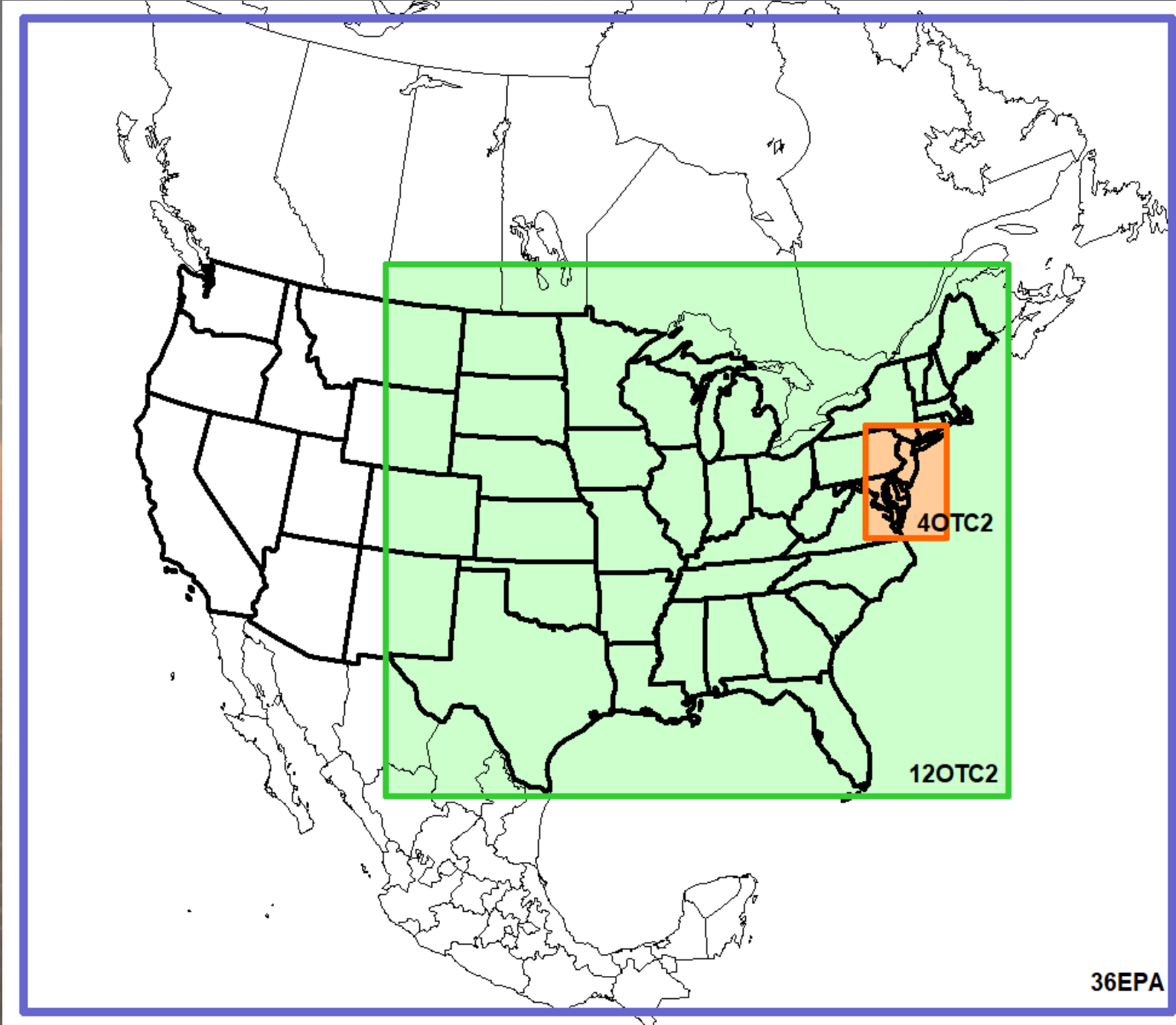
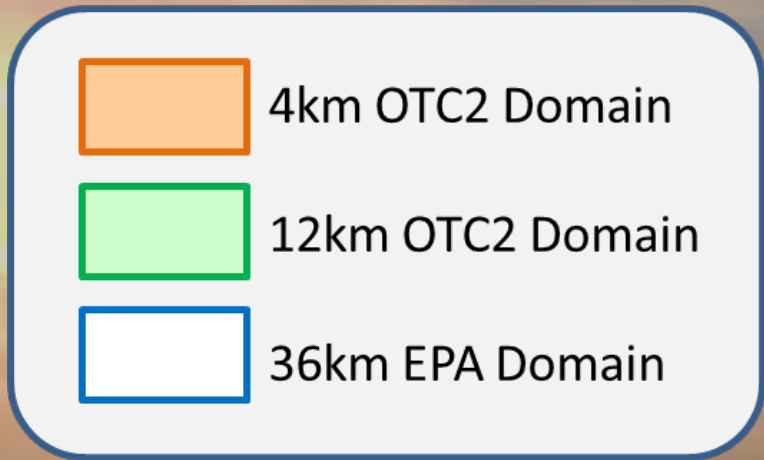




# 2023 Predicted Design Values - OTC V1 vs EPA V2

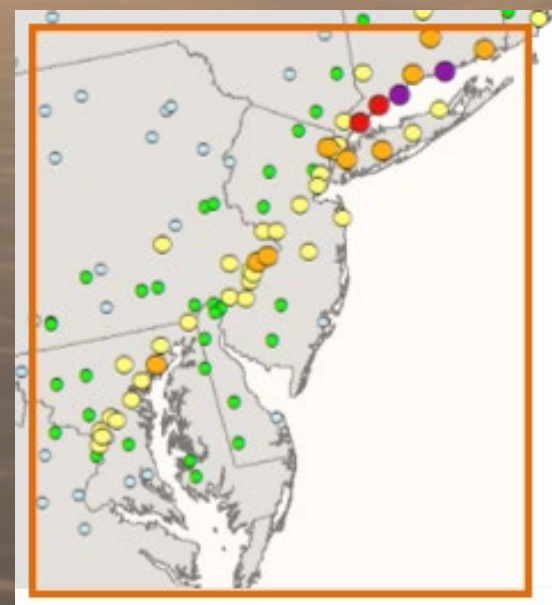


# OTC Modeling Domains



## 4km Domain

- High ozone monitors
- Near water
- Sharp concentration gradients



# 4km vs 12km Grid Resolution Modeling Comparison of 2023 Predicted Design Values (DVsFs)

			2019-2021	12 km	4 km	Difference	12 km	4 km	Difference	12 km	4 km	Difference	12 km	4 km	Difference
OTC2 Subdomain High Ozone Monitoring Locations			Preliminary	CAMX	CAMX	CAMX	CAMX	CAMX	CAMX	CMAQ	CMAQ	CMAQ	CMAQ	CMAQ	CMAQ
2023 V1 Emission Projections			DV	3x3	3x3	3x3	3x3 NW1	3x3 NW1	3x3 NW1	3x3	3x3	3x3	3x3 NW1	3x3 NW1	3x3 NW1
90010017	CT	Greenwich Point Park - Greenwich	79	74	75	1	74	75	1	71	75	4	78	74	-4
90013007	CT	Lighthouse - Stratford	81	75	77	2	75	77	2	74	75	1	75	75	0
90019003	CT	Sherwood Island State Park - Westport	80	78	77	-1	76	77	1	80	76	-4	75	76	1
90031003	CT	McAuliffe Park	67	63	64	1	63	64	1	62	63	1	62	63	1
90079007	CT	Connecticut Valley Hospital - Middletown	74	70	70	0	70	70	0	68	69	1	68	69	1
90090027	CT	Criscuolo Park-New Haven	72	69	70	1	68	69	1	69	70	1	68	69	1
90099002	CT	Hammonasset State Park - Madison	82	71	73	2	72	73	1	71	73	2	70	73	3
90110124	CT	Fort Griswold Park - Groton	73	67	67	0	68	67	-1	67	68	1	71	68	-3
110010043	DC	MCMILLAN NCore-PAMS	68	61	63	2	61	63	2	60	61	1	60	61	1
240031003	MD	GLEN BURNIE	70	64	64	0	64	64	0	65	63	-2	63	63	0
240051007	MD	Padonia	69	62	62	0	62	62	0	61	61	0	61	61	0
240053001	MD	Essex	70	64	64	0	63	64	1	64	63	-1	62	63	1
240150003	MD	Fair Hill Natural Resource Management Area	67	64	65	1	64	65	1	64	63	-1	64	63	-1
240251001	MD	Edgewood	72	65	65	0	64	66	2	63	64	1	63	64	1
240259001	MD	Aldino	68	63	64	1	63	64	1	62	62	0	62	62	0
340030006	NJ	Leonora	71	69	68	-1	69	68	-1	68	66	-2	68	66	-2
340070002	NJ	Camden Spruce Street	66	67	69	2	67	69	2	66	67	1	66	67	1
340150002	NJ	Clarksboro	66	66	66	0	66	66	0	65	65	0	65	65	0
360810124	NY	QUEENS COLLEGE 2	71	67	68	1	68	68	0	66	67	1	65	67	2
360850067	NY	SUSAN WAGNER HS		71	69	-2	70	69	-1	74	70	-4	70	69	-1
361030002	NY	BABYLON	73	69	69	0	68	69	1	68	67	-1	67	67	0
361030004	NY	RIVERHEAD	69	68	67	-1	67	67	0	66	66	0	66	66	0
361192004	NY	WHITE PLAINS	69	70	68	-2	67	68	1	66	67	1	67	67	0
420170012	PA	Bristol	71	71	72	1	71	72	1	69	69	0	69	69	0
421010024	PA	North East Airport (NEA)	71	69	70	1	69	70	1	68	69	1	68	69	1
510130020	VA	Aurora Hills Visitors Center	66	61	63	2	61	63	2	60	62	2	60	62	2

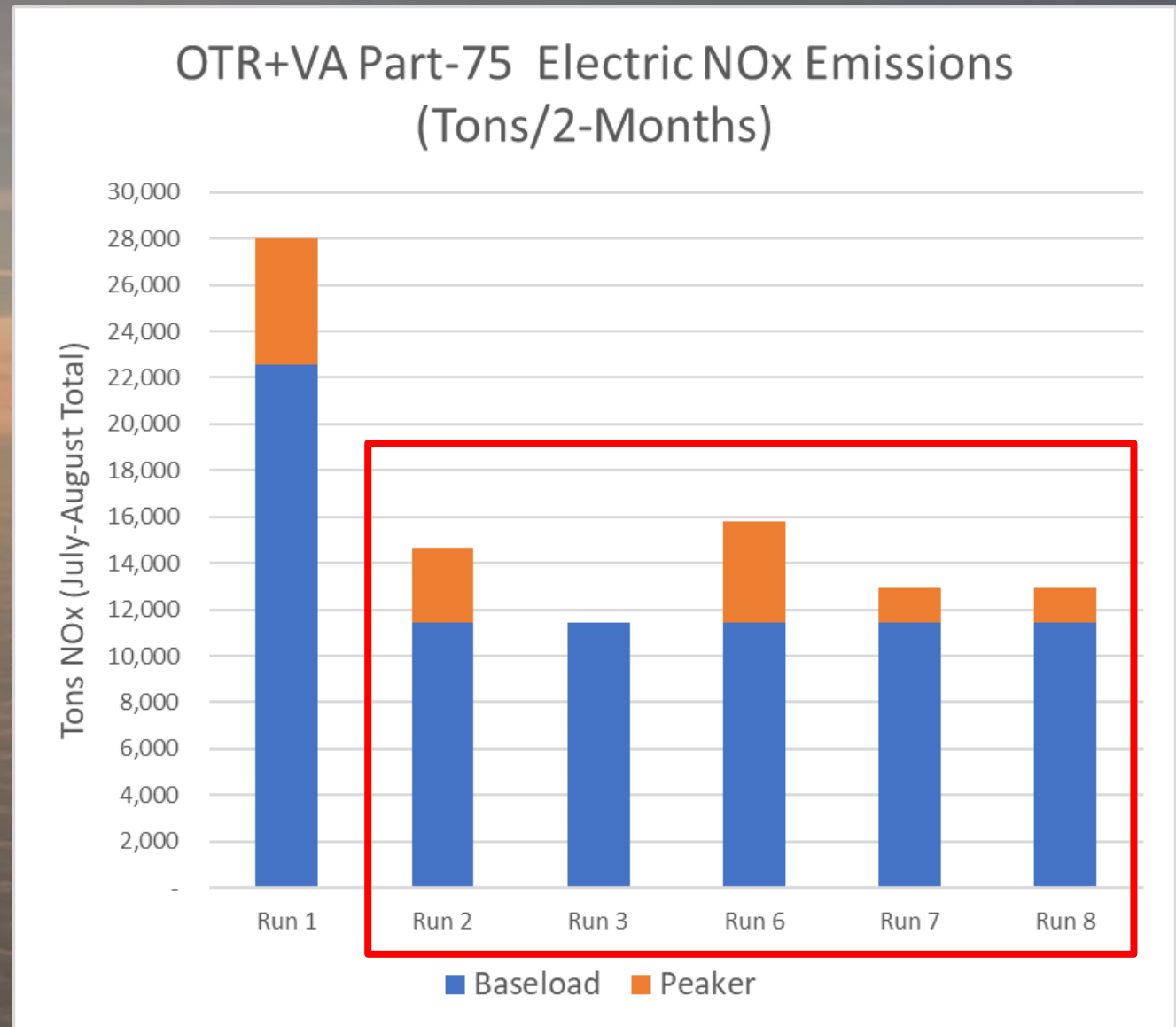


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# Part-75 Electric Generation NOx Emissions

- Large decrease between 2016 Run 1 and 2018/19 ReBase Run 2
- Compared to the Run 2 ReBase scenario, worst-case scenario peaker emission are 30% higher and best-case emissions are 50% lower



# HEDD Episodic

## Examples: Model Predicted Changes in Ozone

Run 2

2018/19 Model Output

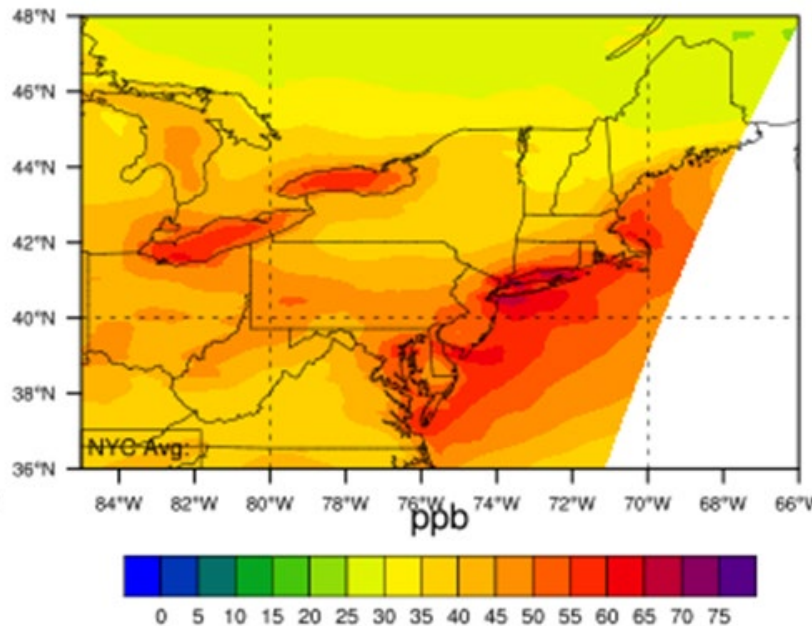
Run 1 – Run 2

2018/19 Difference from 2016

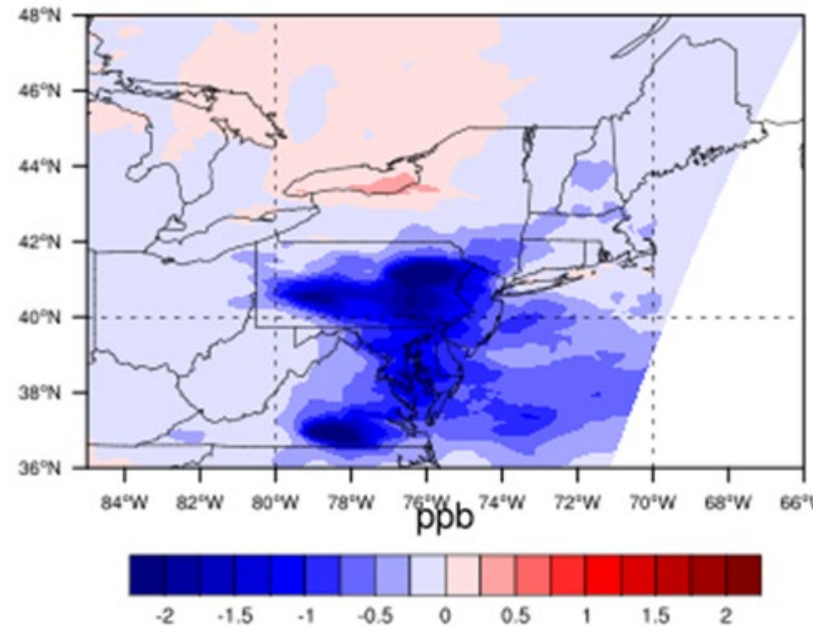
Run 2 – Run 3

2018/19 All Part-75 Peakers Off

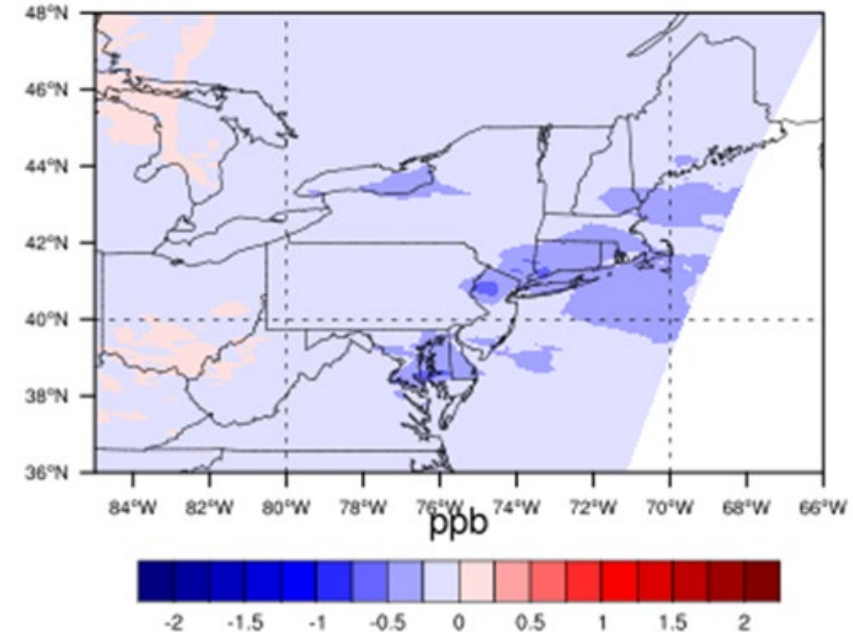
2023 HEDD2 July MDA8 O3



Difference, HEDD2-HEDD1



Difference, HEDD3-HEDD2





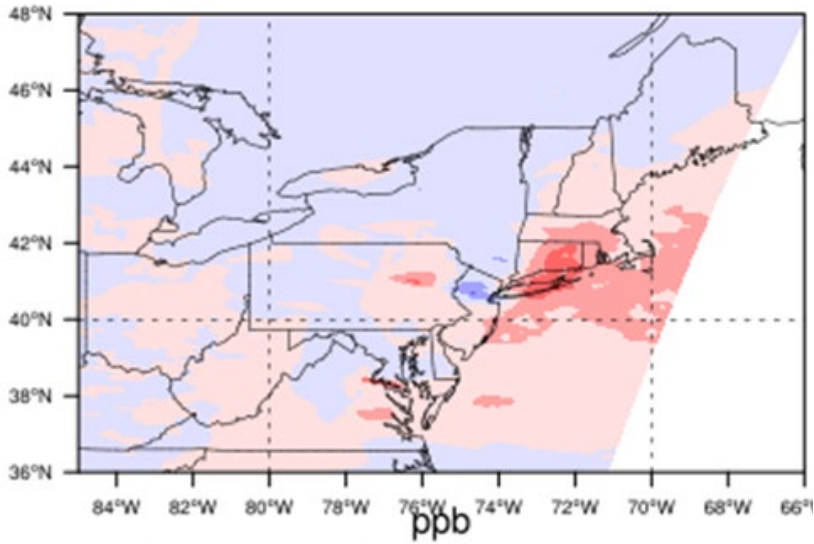
# HEDD Episodic

## Examples: 2018/19 Electric Load Maintained

Run 2 – Run 6

**Dirtiest First**

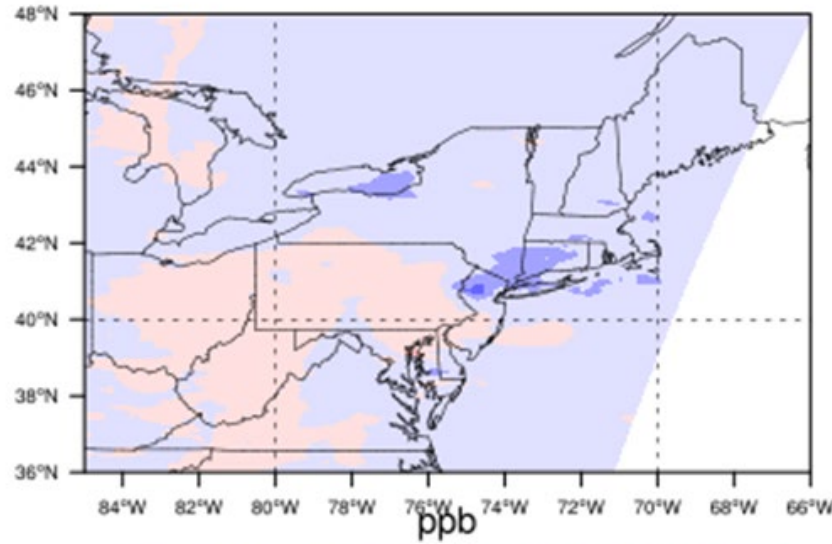
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Run 2 – Run 7

**Cleanest First**

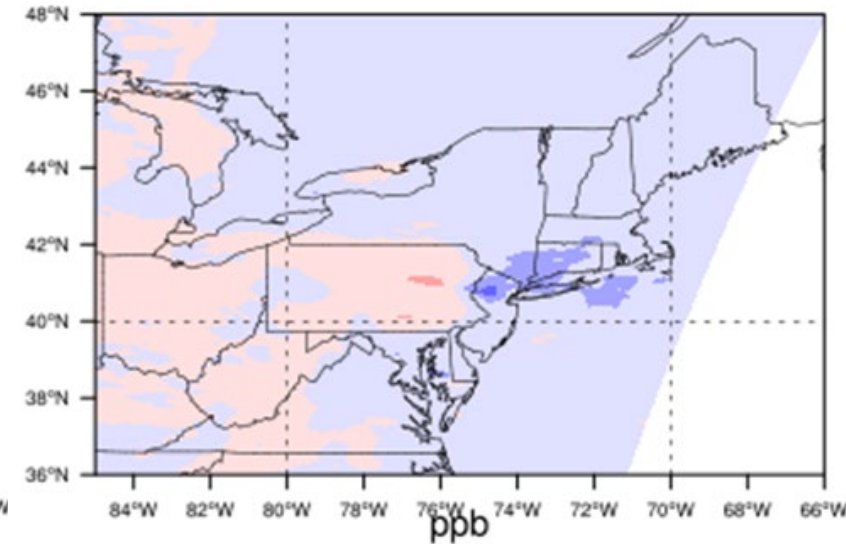
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Run 2 – Run 8

**Most Operated First**

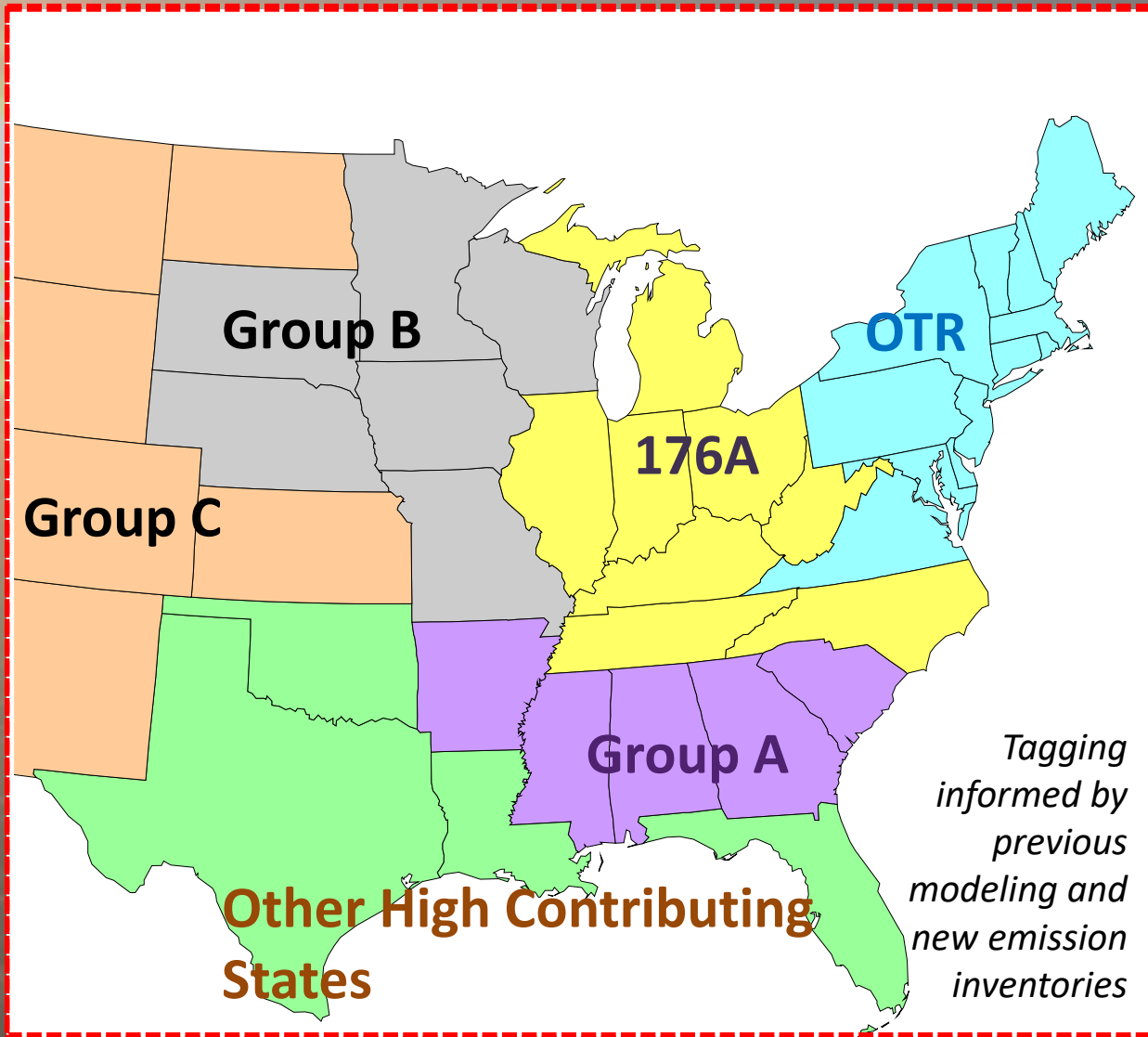
Difference, HEDD8-HEDD2



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# 2023 CAMx Tagged Emission Ozone Contribution Modeling



Emission Sector	OTR + VA	176A	Other Large Contributing States	Clustered States (A, B, C)	Canada	Mexico
Area-nonpoint	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group	Sector Group	Sector Group
Commercial Marine Vehicles	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
EGU-ERTAC	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
<u>NonEGU</u>	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
NonRoad-diesel	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
NonRoad-nondiesel	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
OnRoad-diesel	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
OnRoad-nondiesel	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
Oil & Gas-point	By State	By State	By State	Cluster Group		
Oil & Gas-nonpoint	By State			Cluster Group		
EGU-Peaking Unit	By State	State Group	State Group	Cluster Group		
Rail	By State	State Group	State Group	Cluster Group		
Airport/Airplane to 3000'	By State	State Group	State Group	Cluster Group		
Agriculture	All Location Group					
Offshore CMV	All Location Group					
Offshore rigs	All Location Group					
Prescribed fire	All Location Group					
Other Anthropogenic	All Location Group					
Biogenic	All Location Group					
Boundary conditions	All Location Group					
Initial conditions	All Location Group					

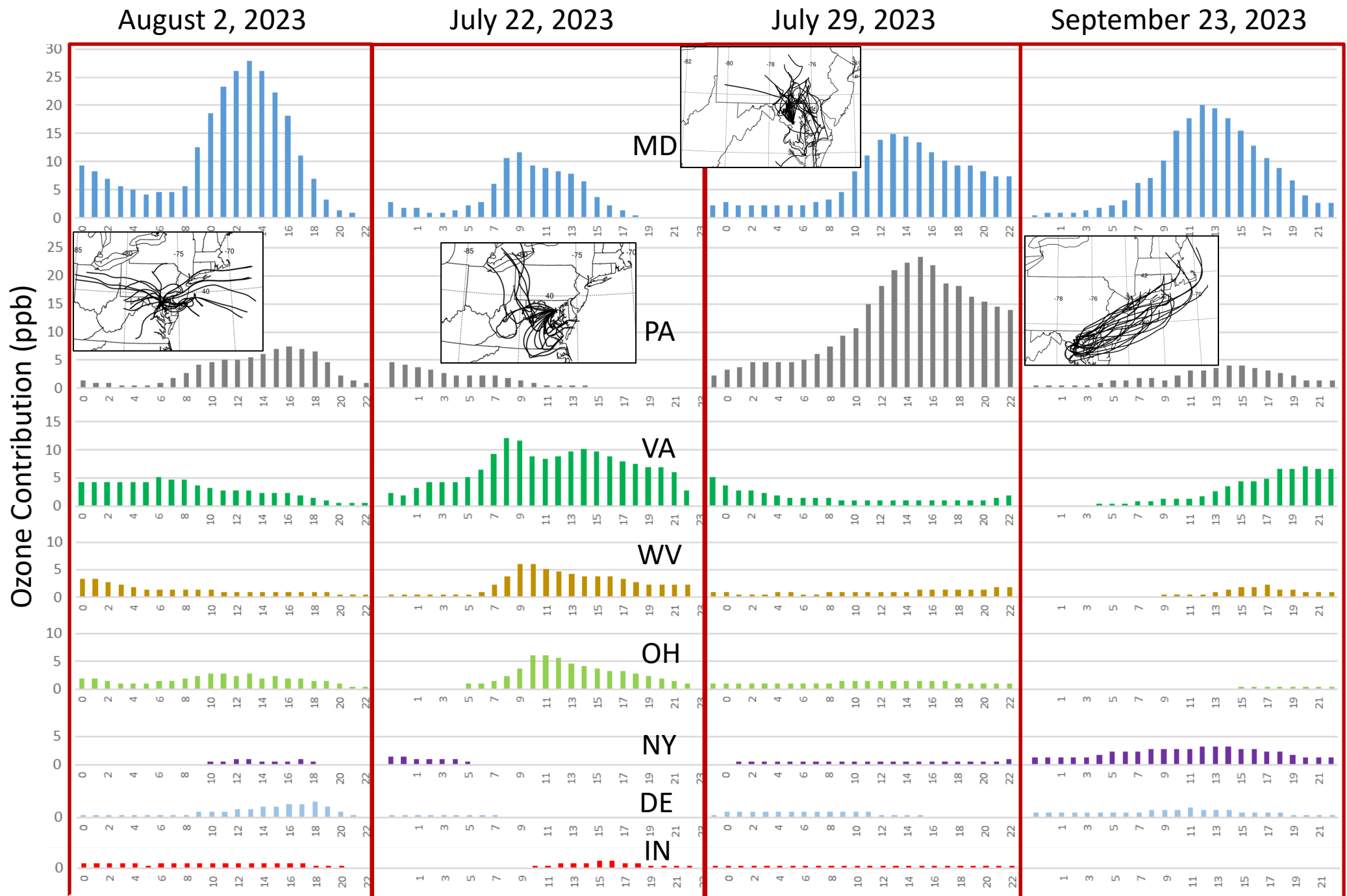


# Variability

Variability  
Day-to-Day  
Hour-to-Hour  
Beltsville, MD  
4 High Ozone  
Days

Contributions  
are highly  
variable

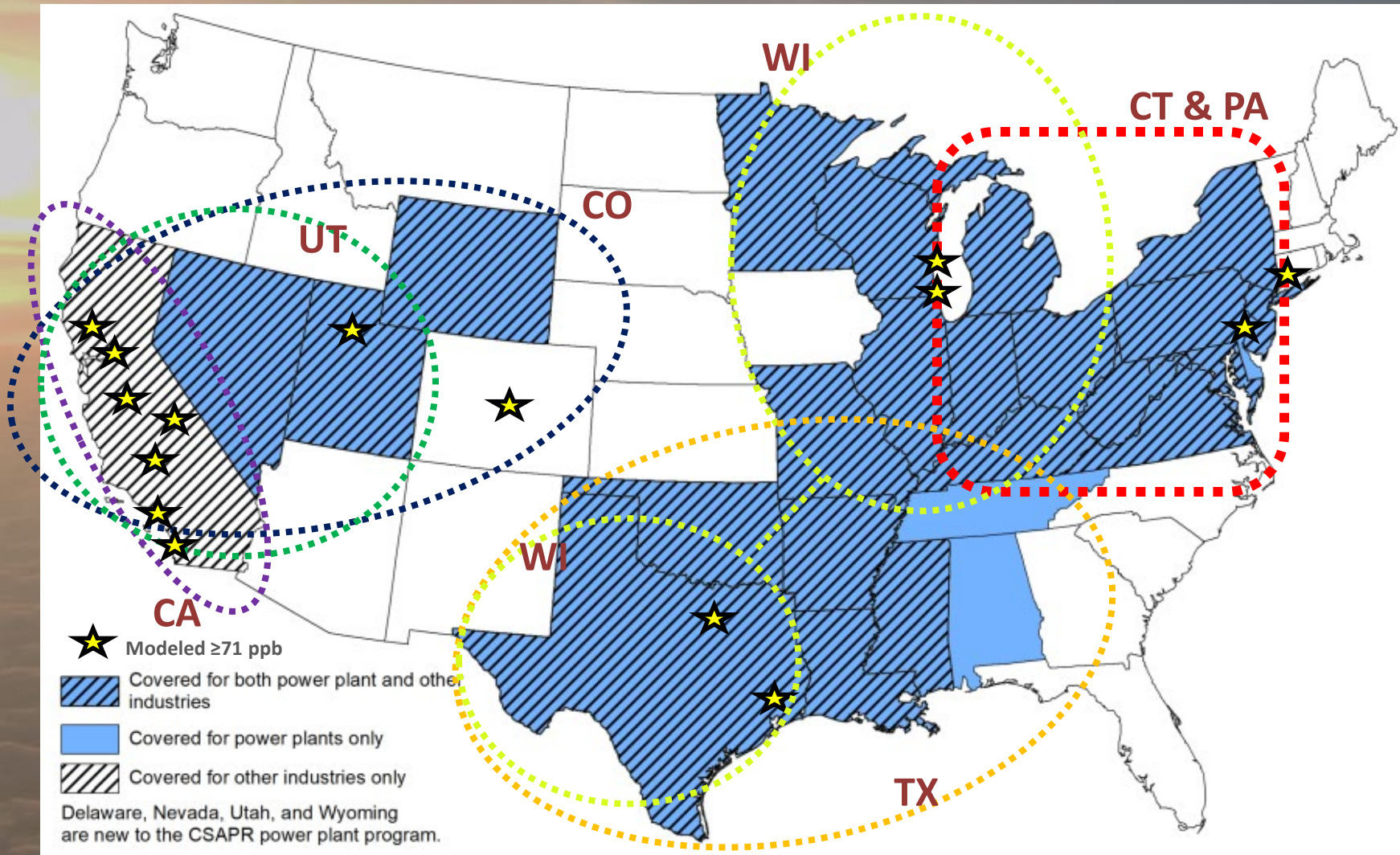
Which are truly  
significant?



The background of the slide is an aerial photograph of a vast, textured landscape, possibly a field of low-lying vegetation or a desert plain, viewed from a high altitude. The sky is a mix of soft blues and oranges, suggesting a sunset or sunrise. The sun is visible on the left side, creating a bright glow and casting long, soft shadows across the terrain.

# **EPA 2015 GOOD NEIGHBOR FIP**

# EPA 2015 Ozone NAAQS Good Neighbor Proposed Rule



- EGUs
- Reciprocating internal combustion engines in Pipeline Transportation of Natural Gas;
- Kilns in Cement and Cement Product Manufacturing;
- Boilers and furnaces in Iron and Steel Mills and Ferroalloy Manufacturing;
- Furnaces in Glass and Glass Product Manufacturing; and
- High-emitting, large boilers in Basic Chemical Manufacturing, Petroleum and Coal Products Manufacturing, and Pulp, Paper, and Paperboard Mills.



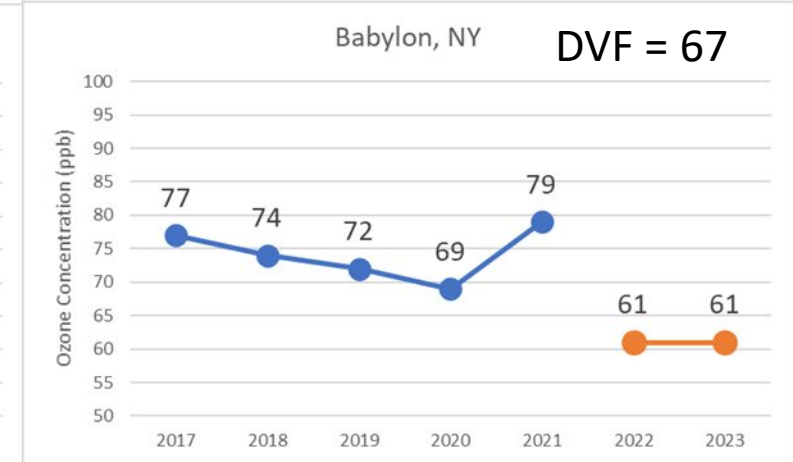
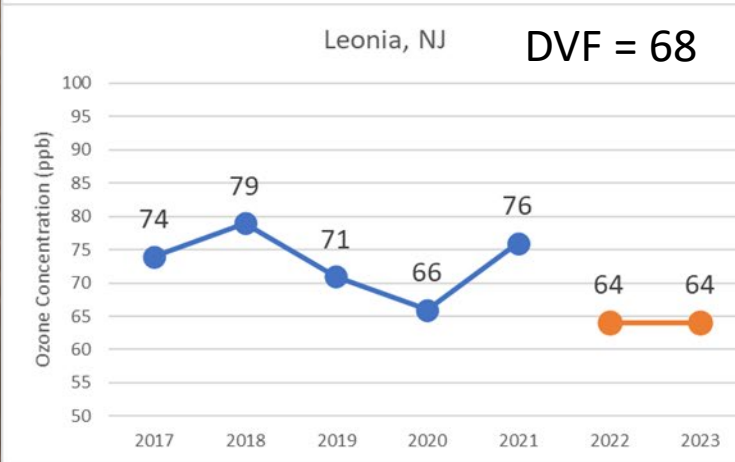
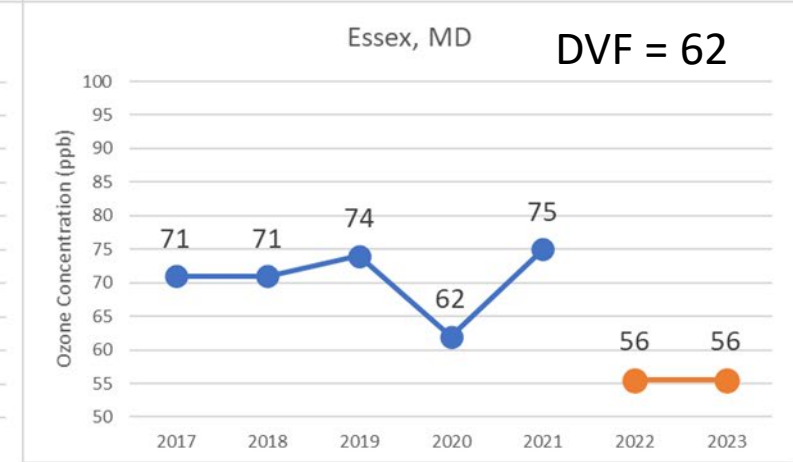
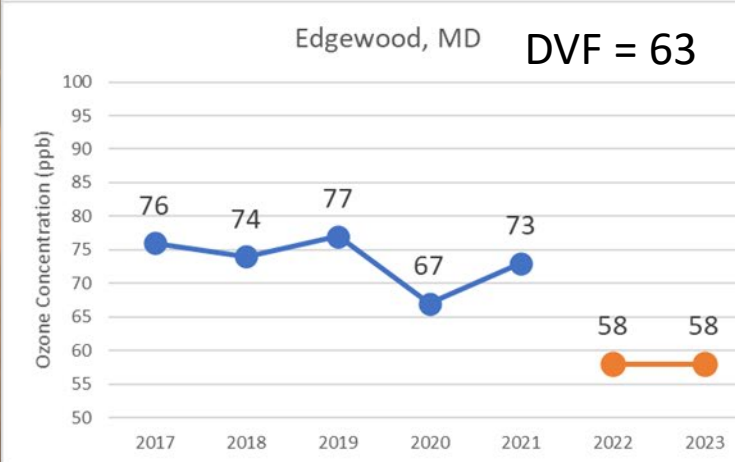
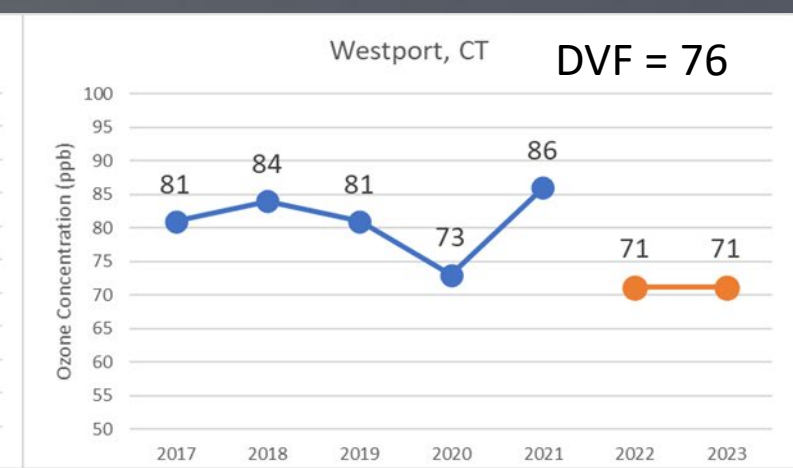
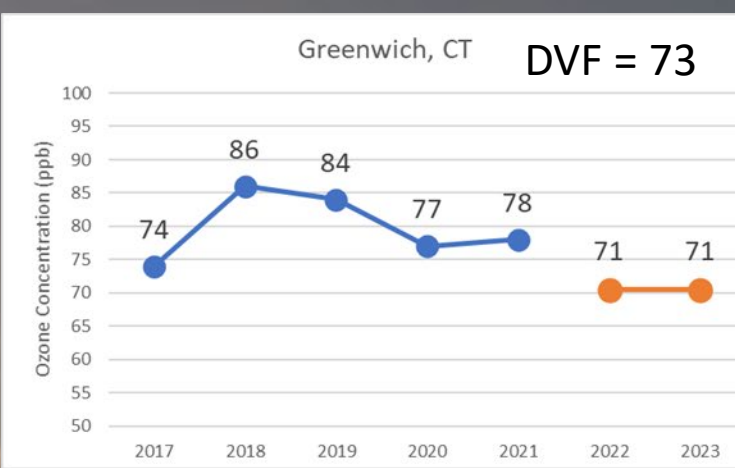
# EPA 2015 Ozone NAAQS Good Neighbor Modeling

Site ID	State	Site name	2019-2021 pDV	CMAQ 12 km				CAMX 12 km				CAMx 4 km				EPA CAMx, v2, 12 km			
				3x3		3x3 no water 1		3x3		3x3 no water 1		3x3		3x3 no water 1		3x3		3x3 no water 1	
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90019003	CT	Westport	80	80.6	80.9	75.5	75.8	78.3	78.6	76	76.2	77.9	78.2	77.8	78	76.8	77	76.1	76.4
90013007	CT	Stratford	81	74.6	75.5	75.1	76	75.8	76.7	75	75.9	77.1	78.1	77.1	78.1	74.7	75.6	74.2	75.1
360850067	NY	NYC-Susan Wagner HS		74.2	74.2	70.3	70.3	71.3	71.3	70.5	70.5	69.9	69.9	69.7	69.7	69.9	69.9	69.5	69.5
90099002	CT	Madison	82	71.8	73.9	70.8	72.8	71.6	73.7	72.3	74.4	73.7	75.8	73.6	75.8	72.1	74.2	71.8	73.9
90010017	CT	Greenwich	79	71.7	72.4	78.8	79.5	74.1	74.7	74.6	75.2	75.2	75.8	75.5	76.2	75.3	75.9	73	73.7
90090027	CT	New Haven-B	72	69.3	70.5	68.4	69.6	69.5	70.7	68.7	69.9	70.6	71.8	69.7	70.9	68.2	69.4	68	69.1
90079007	CT	Middletown	74	68.9	69.2	68.9	69.2	70.2	70.5	70.2	70.5	70.9	71.2	70.9	71.2	69.8	70.1	69.8	70.1
420170012	PA	Bristol	71	69.1	70.6	69.1	70.6	71.1	72.6	71.1	72.6	72.4	73.9	72.4	73.9	70.7	72.2	70.7	72.2
340170006	NJ	Bayonne	66	68.2	69.1	64.8	65.7	66	66.9	65.1	66	65.7	66.7	65.7	66.7	64.5	65.4	64.5	65.4
90011123	CT	Danbury	70	68.8	69.7	68.8	69.7	69.3	70.2	69.3	70.2	69.7	70.6	69.7	70.6	68.6	69.5	68.6	69.5
90110124	CT	Groton Fort Griswold	73	67.9	69.5	71.3	72.9	67	68.5	68	69.6	67.5	69.1	67.6	69.2	67	68.5	67.5	69.1
340030006	NJ	Leonia	71	68.1	68.7	68.1	68.7	69.2	69.9	69.2	69.9	68.4	69	68.4	69	68.5	69.2	68.5	69.2
421010024	PA	NEA	71	68.2	68.4	68.2	68.4	69.5	69.8	69.5	69.8	70.9	71.1	70.9	71.1	69.5	69.8	69.5	69.8
361030002	NY	Babylon	73	68.3	70.1	67.6	69.4	69.7	71.6	68.3	70.1	69.2	71.1	69.2	71.1	69	70.9	67.6	69.4
250051004	MA	Fall River		68.5	70.7	63.3	65.3	64.5	66.6	64.4	66.5					64.2	66.3	64	66
361192004	NY	White Plains	69	66.9	67.8	67.9	68.8	70.1	71.1	67.9	68.8	68.4	69.3	68.4	69.3	69.6	70.6	67	67.9
361030009	NY	Suffolk County	70	66.9	68.7	64.2	66	66.2	68.1	64.6	66.5	65.1	66.9	65.1	66.9	65.2	67	64.5	66.3
360810124	NY	NYC-Queens	71	66.5	68.1	65.7	67.2	67.9	69.5	68.1	69.7	68.9	70.5	68.9	70.5	67.8	69.4	67.5	69.1
421010048	PA	NEW	70	66.3	66.9	66.3	66.9	67.4	68	67.4	68	69.2	69.9	69.2	69.9	67.2	67.8	67.2	67.8
360290002	NY	Amherst	65	65.6	66.3	62.8	63.4	63.5	64.1	63.2	63.8					62.4	63	62.2	62.8
340070002	NJ	Camden-Spruce St	66	66.2	67.6	66.2	67.6	67.6	69.1	67.6	69.1	69.2	70.8	69.2	70.8	67.4	68.9	67.4	68.9
340150002	NJ	Clarksboro	66	65.8	66	65.8	66	66.1	66.4	66.1	66.4	66.6	66.9	66.6	66.9	65.3	65.6	65.3	65.6
440071010	RI	E Providence	65	67.1	70.3	61	63.9	62.1	65.1	62	65					61.9	64.8	61.5	64.4
361030004	NY	Riverhead	69	66.4	67.9	66.8	68.4	68.3	69.8	67.3	68.8	67.7	69.2	67.7	69.3	67.9	69.5	66.8	68.3
440090007	RI	Narragansett	67	66.1	67.8	64.9	66.5	63	64.6	62.1	63.6	63.3	64.9	63.1	64.6	63.1	64.6	61.4	62.9
340230011	NJ	Rutgers U	68	65.7	66	65.7	66	66.7	66.9	66.7	66.9	66.9	67.1	66.9	67.1	66.2	66.4	66.2	66.4

# 2022 and 2023 4<sup>th</sup> Highs needed to Meet EPA 2023 Transport Modeling Predictions

Blue Data is Monitored 4<sup>th</sup> Maximum

Orange Data is Calculated from Modeled DVF achieved factoring 2021 monitored 4<sup>th</sup> high as one of 3 data points



# Summary

- Preliminary 2019-21 ozone design values and exceedance days down in most areas from – Some COVID connection?
  - Ozone violations continue from Maryland to Connecticut
  - Modeling for 2023 predicts more improvement than currently monitoring supports in some areas
- 2023 tagged emission modeling shows large day-to-day and hour-to-hour contribution variations, but most important emission sectors are relatively consistent
- Episodic modeling for HEDD is underway using actual hourly 2018/19 NO<sub>x</sub> emissions
  - Preliminary results indicate electric peaker emission ozone influences of up to 5 ppb (1-day 8-hour) and up to a 1 ppb (DVF)



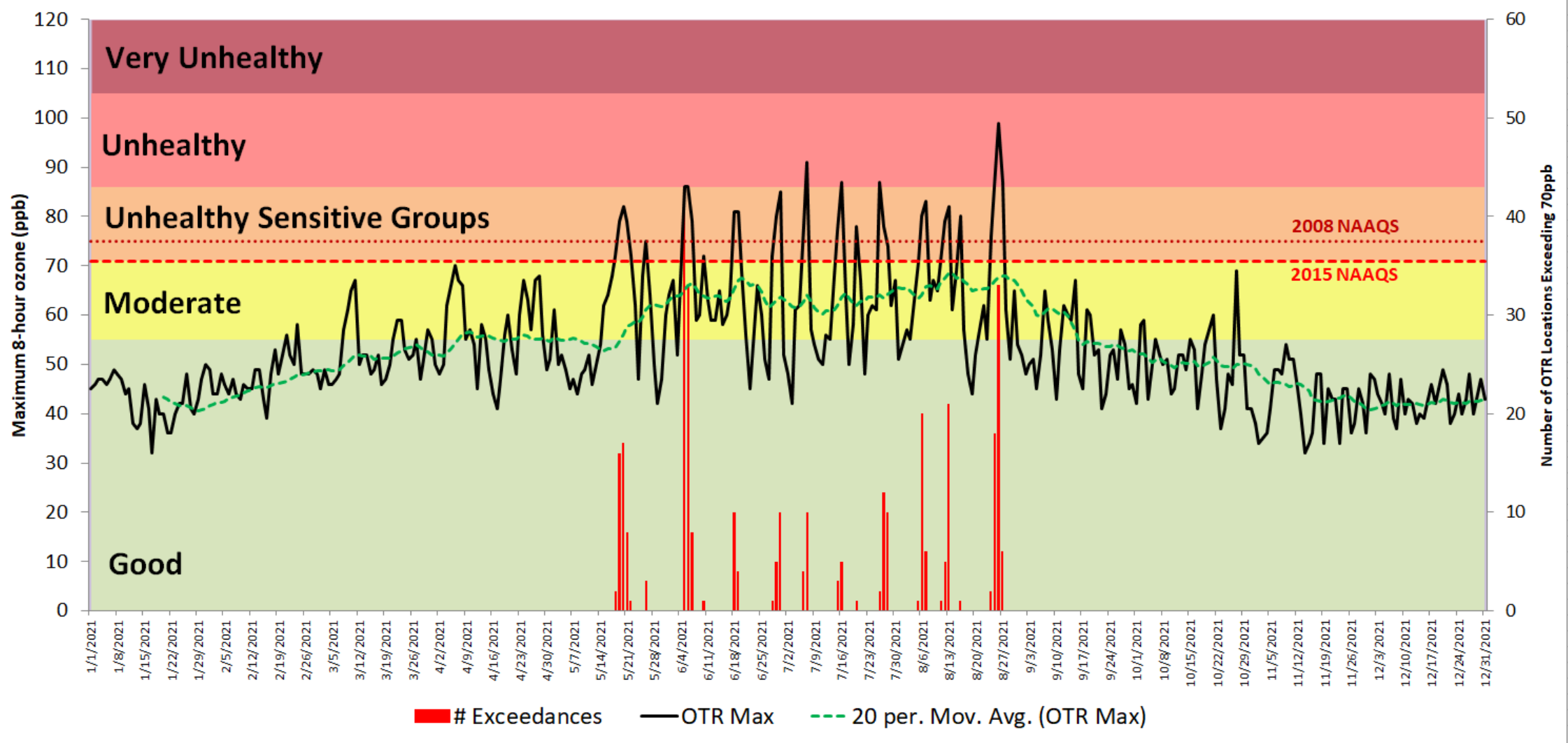
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An aerial photograph of a sunset over a vast, textured landscape. The sun is on the left, casting a bright glow and creating a gradient of colors from yellow to blue across the sky. The ground below is covered in a dense, repeating pattern of small, rounded mounds, possibly a field of crops or a natural terrain. The text "Bonus Slides" is centered in the upper half of the image.

# Bonus Slides

# 2021 Ozone Season - Preliminary



34 days exceeding 70ppb  
 26 days exceeding 75ppb  
 9 days exceeding 84ppb

103 different monitors in  
 56 different monitors in  
 9 different monitors in

12 states (including DC) exceeded 70ppb  
 11 states (+DC) exceeded 75ppb  
 4 states exceeded 84 ppb

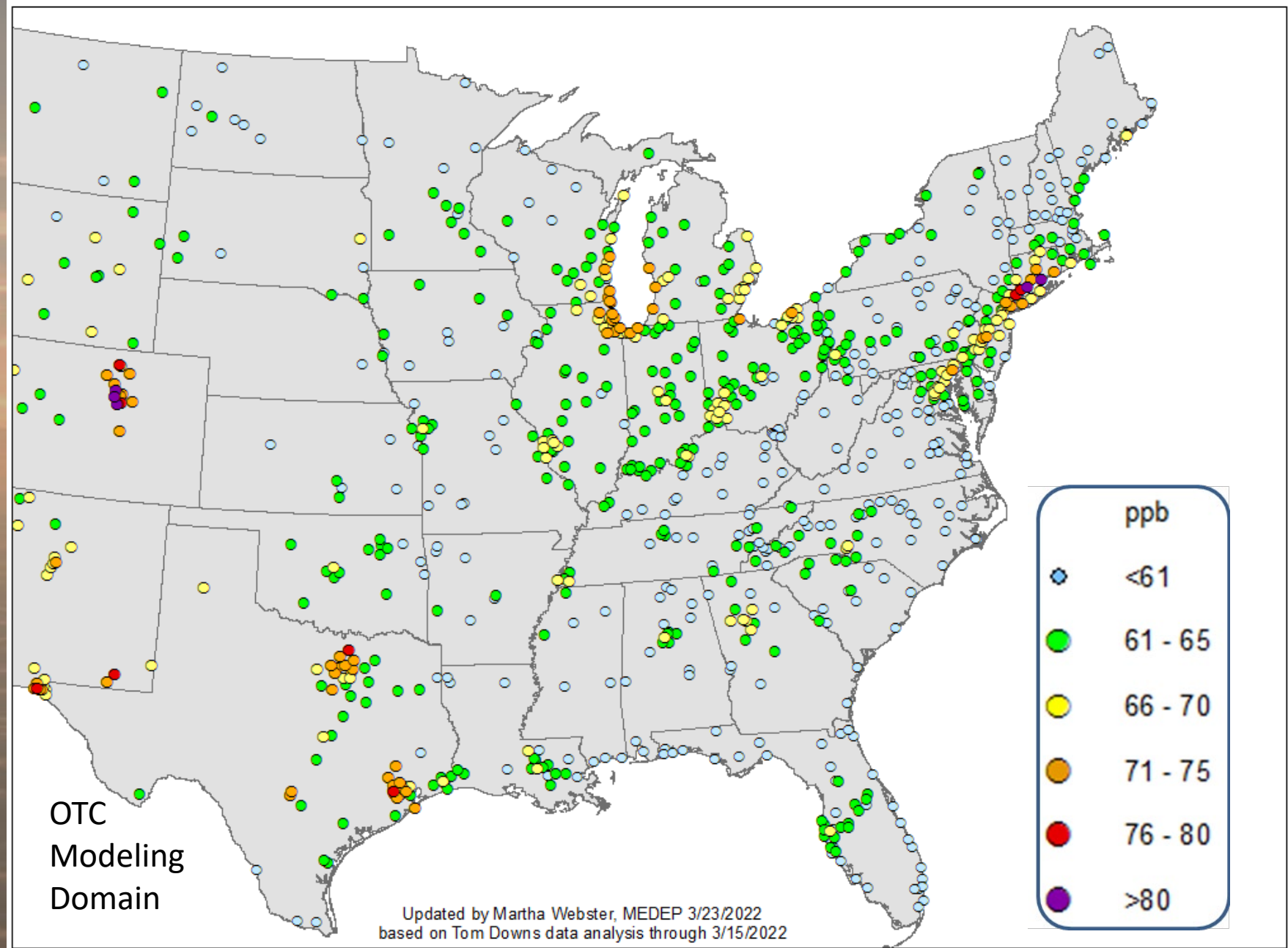


# 2019-2021 Ozone Attainment Status - Preliminary

Nonattainment Area	# Monitors Exceeding in NAA	Specific to Highest Ozone Monitor in Area			Preliminary 2019-21 DV	NAAQS	2021 NonAttainment Area Statistics				# Days >NAAQS
		High Concentration Monitor Agency	High Concentration Monitor Site Name	High Concentration Monitor AQS Code			Max	Max 2nd High	Max 3rd High	Max 4th High	
Greater CT	1	CT	Groton Fort Grisw old	90110124	73	70	82	76	76	75	9
NYC	4	CT	Madison-combined (9002 300)	90099002	82	75	99	89	87	86	25
Philadelphia	2	PA	Bristol	420170012	71	70	86	80	77	77	14
Baltimore	1	MD	Edgew ood	240251001	72	70	82	78	78	75	15
Washington	0	MD	Beltsville	240339991	70	70	82	77	74	72	8

All Violating Monitors			Preliminary 2019-21 pDV	NAAQS	2021				# Days >NAAQS
AQS Code	Agency	Site Name			Max	2nd High	3rd High	4th High	
90010017	CT	Greenw ich	79	75	94	82	78	78	8
90013007	CT	Stratford	81	75	91	87	87	86	8
90019003	CT	Westport	80	75	99	89	87	86	10
90099002	CT	Madison-combined (9002	82	75	89	85	84	83	10
90110124	CT	Groton Fort Grisw old	73	70	79	76	76	75	6
240251001	MD	Edgew ood	72	70	74	73	73	73	6
420170012	PA	Bristol	71	70	83	80	77	77	10
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# Preliminary 2019-2021 Design Values



# HEDD Episodic Modeling Emission Scenarios

- **Run B** - 2023 Base –All Sectors
- **Run 1** 2016 Part-75 Electric emissions, 2023 other sectors
- **Run 2** (Rebase): 2018/19 Part-75 Electric emissions, 2023 other sectors
- **Run 3** Run 2 base with zero Part-75 Peaking emissions
- **Run 6** Run 2 base with dirtiest Part-75 peaking units dispatched first
- **Run 7** Run 2 base with cleanest Part-75 peaking units dispatched first
- **Run 8** Run 2 base with most frequently operated Part-75 peaking units dispatched first

Runs 4 and 5 are on hold because of data limitations

(More detail included in bonus slides)



# Scenarios

- **Run B (2023 Base):** 2023 emission inventory
- **Run 1** 2023 emissions inventory replacing all OTR+VA EGUs and non-EGUs hourly emissions with those from year 2016 (initial base).
- **Run 2 (Rebase):** 2023 emission inventory replacing all OTR+VA EGUs and non-EGUs hourly emissions with 2018/19.
- **Run 3** Run 2 base with zero emissions for OTR+VA Part-75 identified peaking electric generating units.
- **Run 4** *Tabled for now due to lack of data availability* Run 2 base with **all** OTR+VA non-Part-75 units set to zero.
- **Run 5** *Tabled for now due to low emission differences.* Run 2 base with **all** OTR+VA non-electric generating units set to zero.
- **Run 6** Run 2 base with Part-75 identified peaking units replaced with dirtiest emitting units dispatched to meet actual 2016 hourly MW capacity by zone.
- **Run 7** Run 2 base with Part-75 identified peaking units replaced with cleanest emitting units dispatched to meet actual 2016 hourly MW capacity by zone.
- **Run 8** Run 2 base with Part-75 identified peaking units replaced based with most frequently (2018/19) operated peaking units dispatched to meet actual 2016 hourly MW capacity by zone.

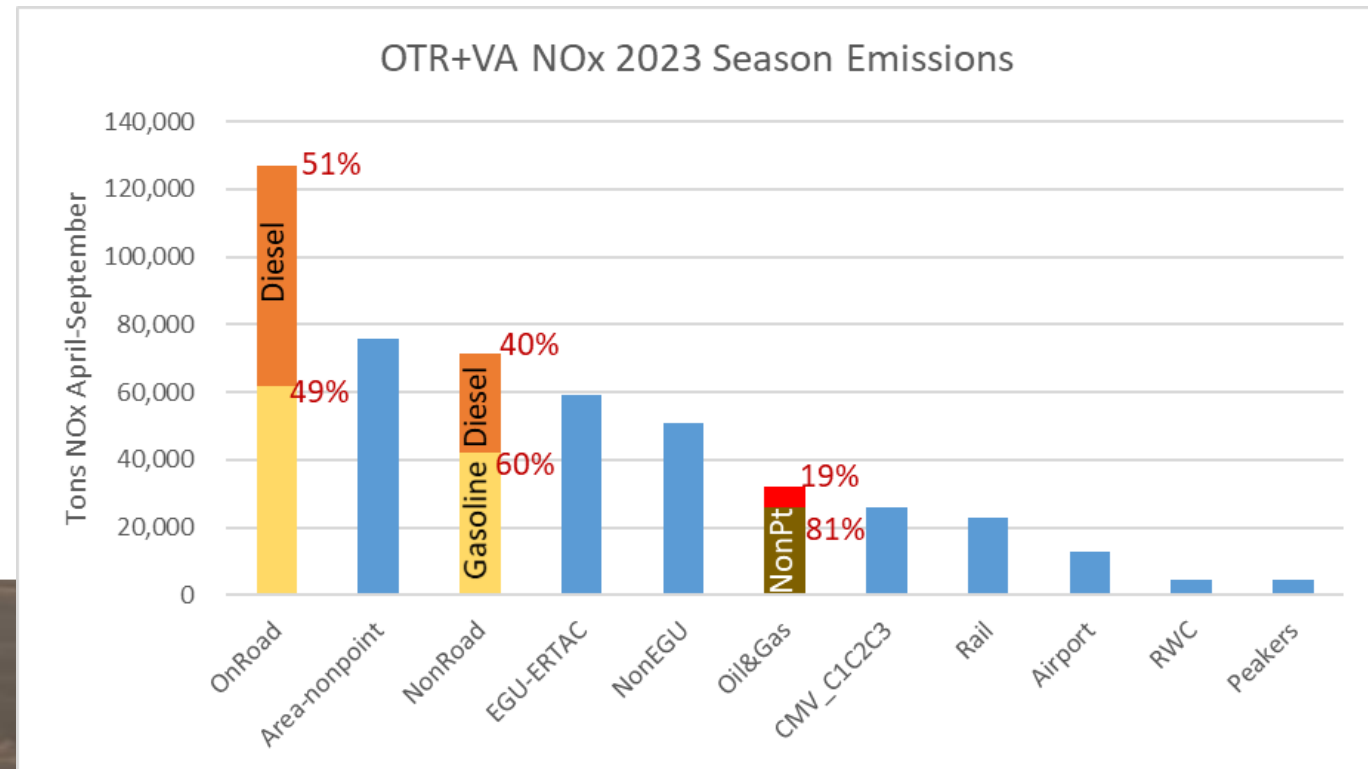
# Preliminary Emission Sector Contributions to OTR

## Top Emission Sectors (almost always significant in OTR):

- Area
- OnRoad – NonDiesel
- OnRoad – Diesel
- NonRoad – NonDiesel
- NonRoad – Diesel
- EGU
- NonEGU
- Oil & Gas
- Rail
- Airport

## Sometimes Significant Emission Sectors

- Commercial Marine Vessels
- EGU Peakers



# Variability

Variability

Day-to-Day

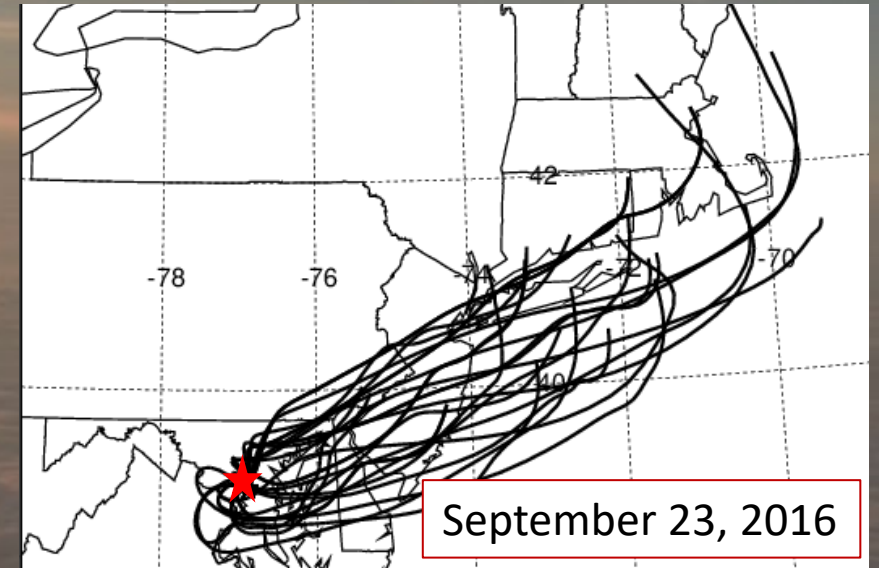
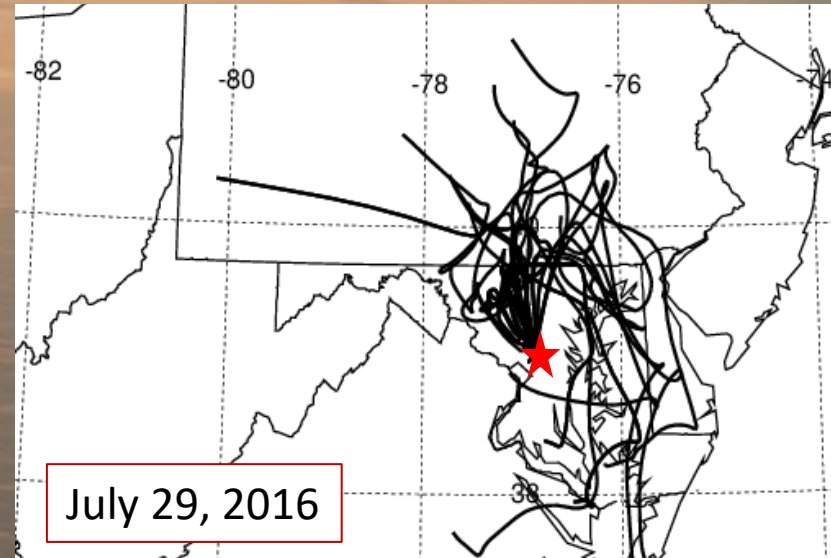
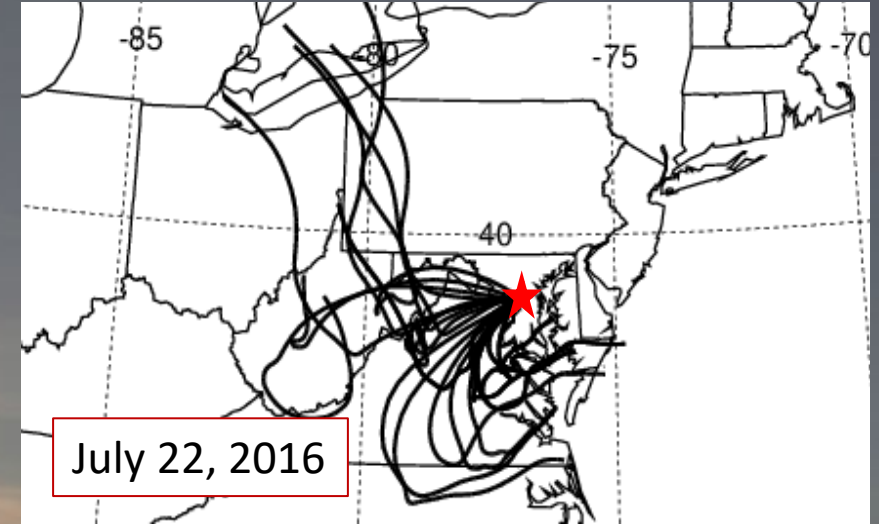
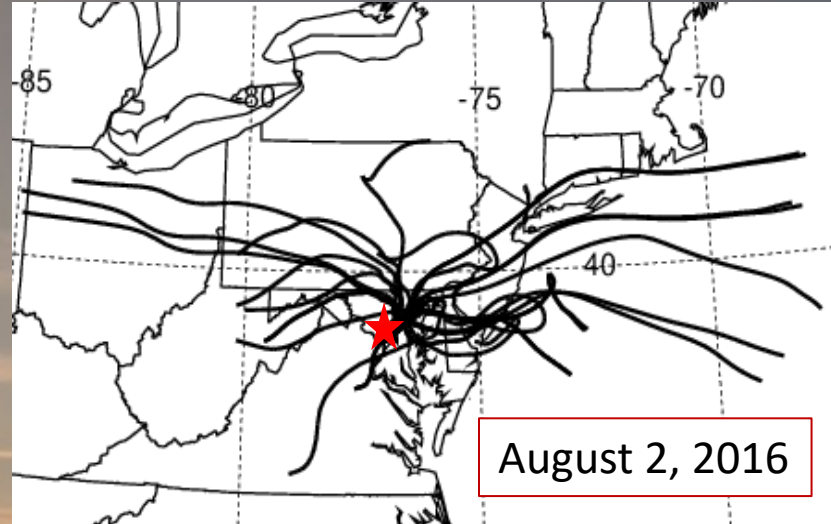
Hour-to-Hour

Beltsville, MD

4 High Ozone

Days with very  
different wind  
patterns

Who is the  
significant  
contributor?





# Summary Detail of Contribution Modeling

- OTC 2016 Modeling Platform – April 1- September 30
  - APCA source apportionment using CAMx\_v7.1, CB6r5, WRF\_v3.8, & WRFCAMx\_v4.6
  - Collaborative projected 2023 (fi) emission inventory with BEISv3.61 and ERTAC 16.1
  - OTC2 domain (273 e-w x 246 n-s x 35 vertical grid volumes)
  - Emissions tagged for 24 emission sectors and 41 states plus the District of Columbia (322 total tags)
  - Ozone contributions calculated for each emission tag for every hour of the ozone season
  - Some summary discussions consider contributions for the highest 8-hour consecutive period for each day, while others look at the hourly detail
- Large variations in hourly ozone contributions on high ozone days are common and often are averaged out when summarizing data over longer durations
- ❖ How important are these short-term high contributions?