

Introduction and Research Interests

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Global Water System Project

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Background

- Interdisciplinary Background
 - Agronomy; Hydrology; Atmospheric Sciences
- Since 1995 has worked at the Catholic University of Chile
- Founder and Director of Center for Global Change
- Lead Author of IPCC AR5 and Member of TGICA
- PI. InterAmerican Institute for Global Change
- Co-Director AQUASEC



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Seminario Internacional:
Agricultura Sustentable en el
Chile del Futuro

Cambio Climatico y
Momificación

Seminario: Desafíos futuros en
la Agricultura de riego en la
cuenca del río Maule

Seminario: Cambio Climático
en la Agricultura de Riego -
Ovalle

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Seminario Internacional:
Agricultura Sustentable en el
Chile del Futuro

El Centro de Cambio
Global UC presenta el
seminario

internacional Agricultura
Sustentable en el Chile del
Futuro: Lecciones
internacionales y desafíos del

Ambitos de Accion

Gestión de los Recursos Naturales



El desarrollo de Chile se encuentra íntimamente ligado al aprovechamiento de los recursos naturales. Para el CCG-UC esto implica un manejo racional de estos recursos, fundado en el entendimiento cabal de su estado, dinámica y de las condiciones que permiten su conservación,... [Read more...](#)

Desarrollo Sustentable



Las distintas alternativas de desarrollo, deben ser evaluadas respecto a su sustentabilidad en el tiempo. En este aspecto, el CCG-UC ha trabajado en múltiples proyectos abocados a lograr una reducción de la huella de la sociedad en el planeta. Esto se materializa en la... [Read more...](#)

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La sociedad de riesgo y la planificación 'soft'



Jonathan Barton, Miembro Asociado del Centro de Cambio Global UC. Entre el 18 y el 22 de enero del 2005, expertos en

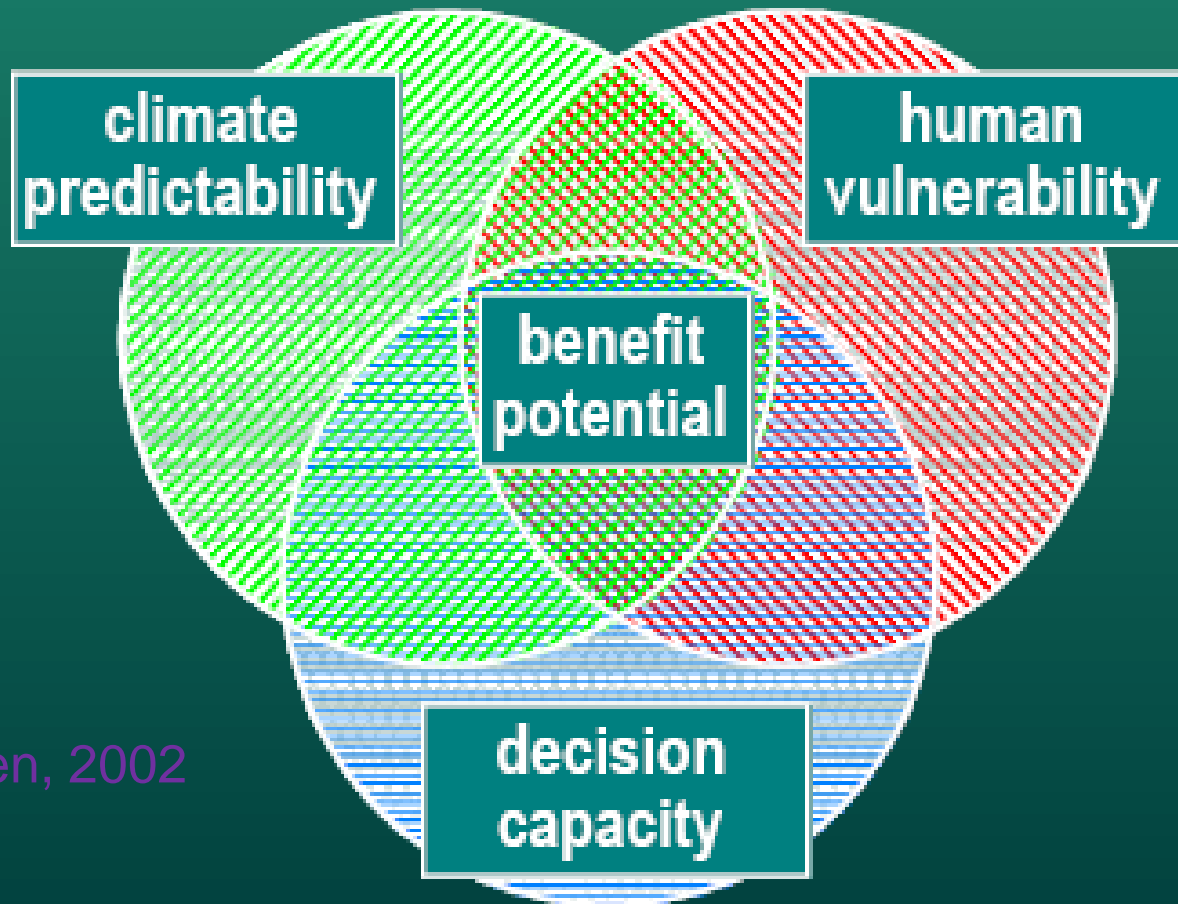
la gestión de riesgo de desastres se reunieron en Hyogo, Japón

Research Interest

- Ph.D.: Value of Seasonal Climate Forecasts for Agriculture
 - Intergrated Assessments of impacts of Climate Variability on Agricultural Productivity and how forecastas can be used as risk management tool



Prerequisites to Beneficial Use



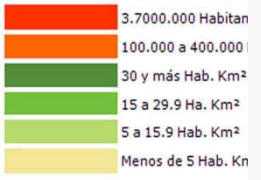
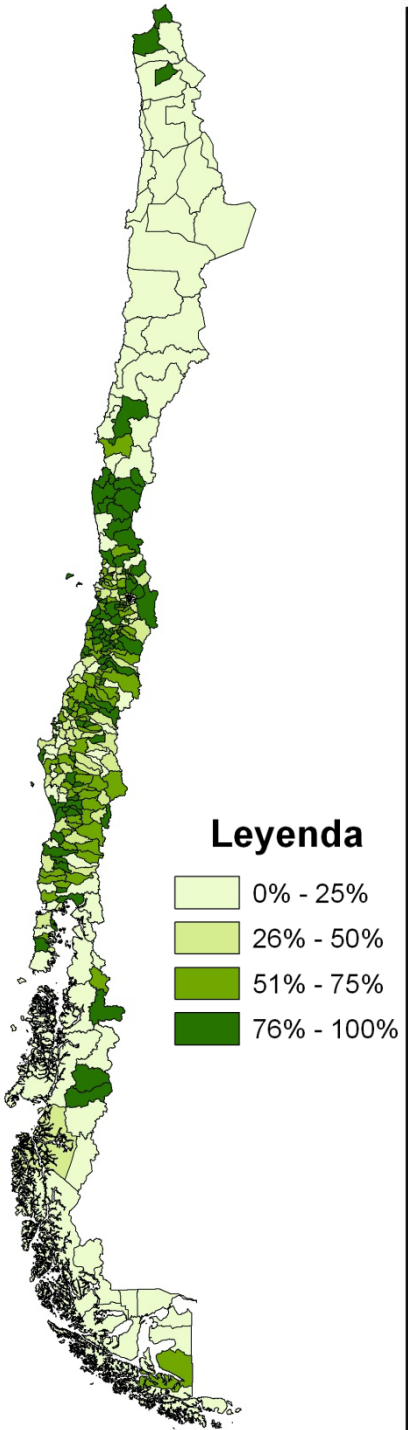
Hansen, 2002

Central Chile

- Mediterranean Climate
 - Semi-Arid to Humid
- Strong seasonality
 - Temperature, Precipitation, Streamflows
- Biodiversity Hotspot
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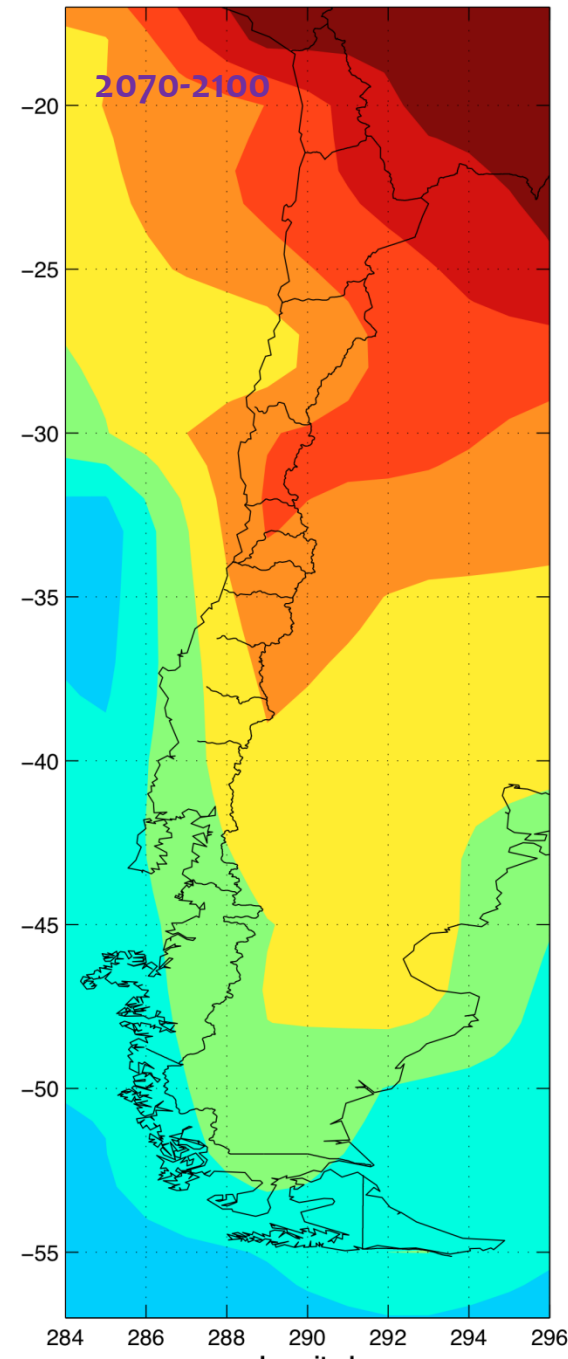
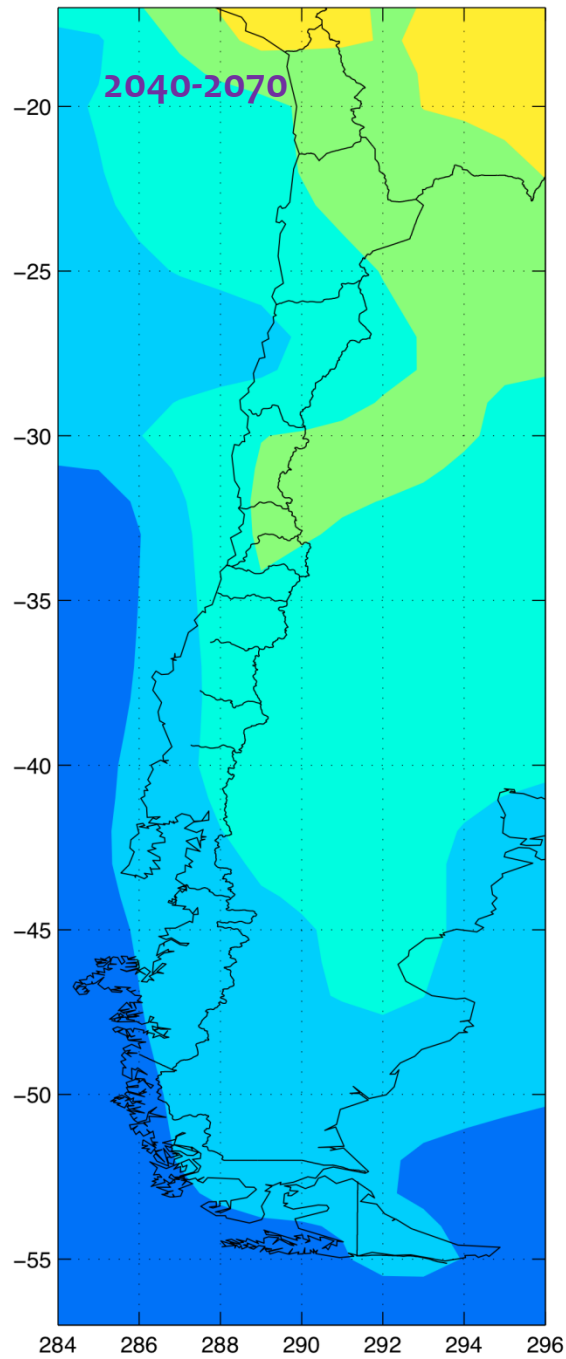
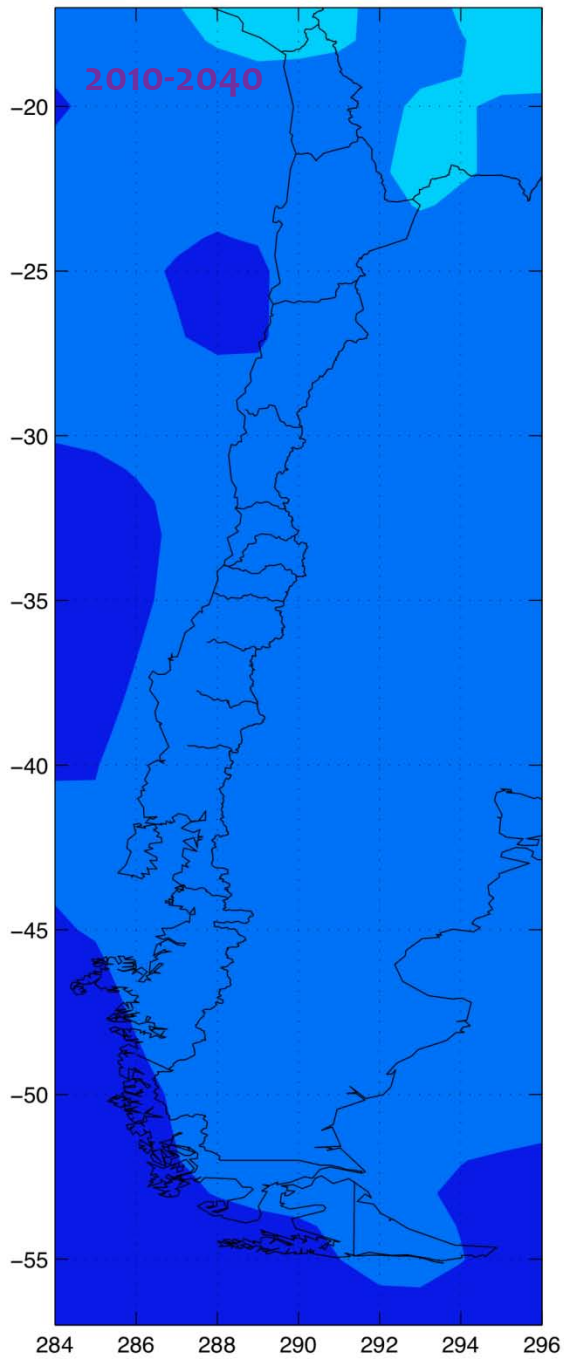
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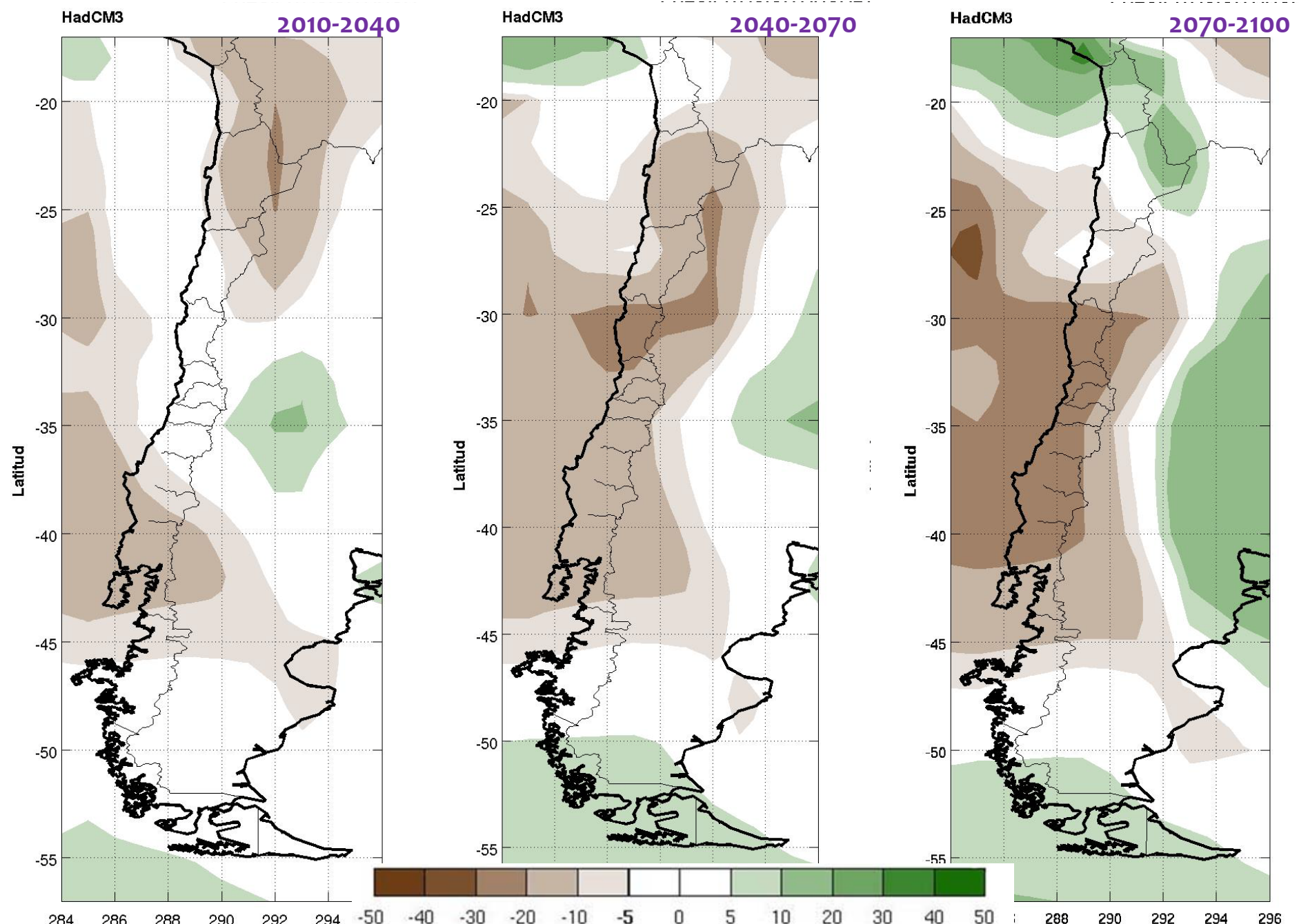
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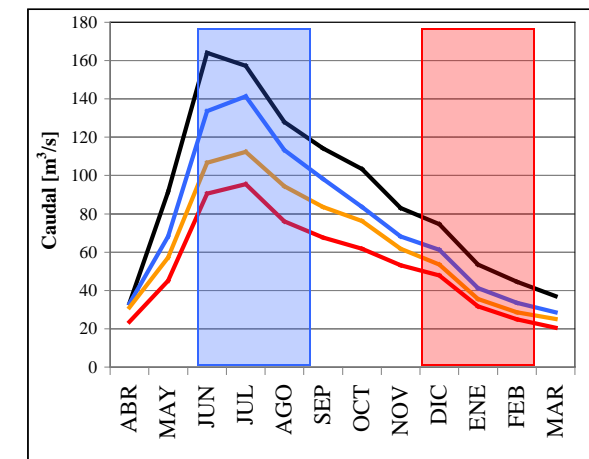
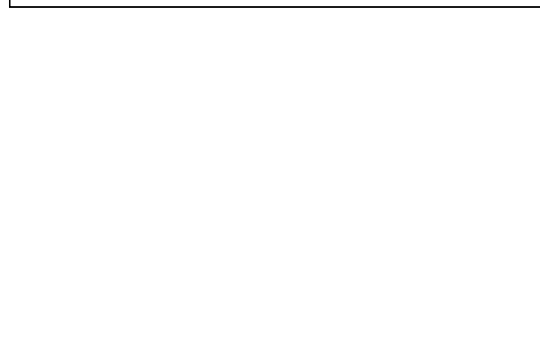
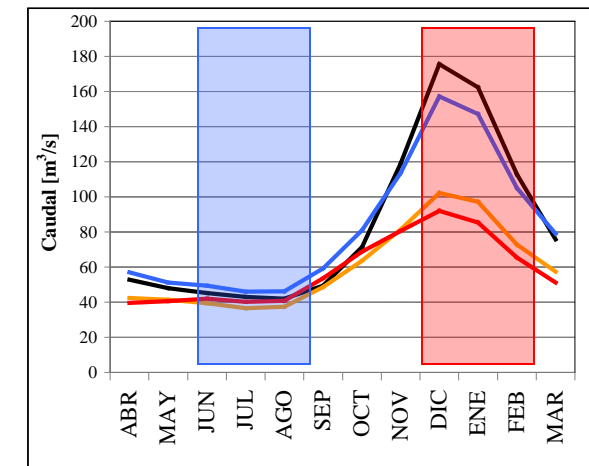
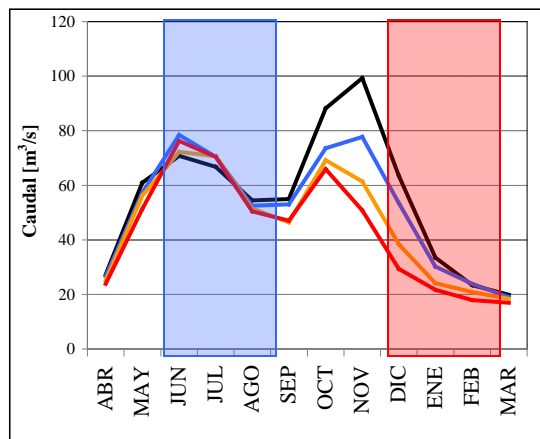
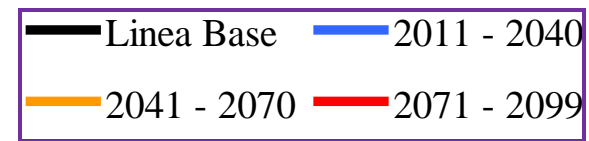
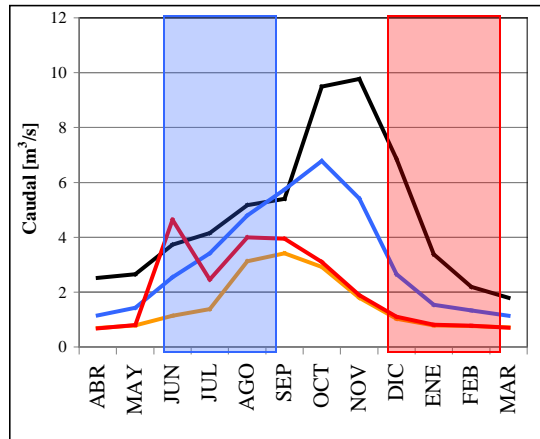
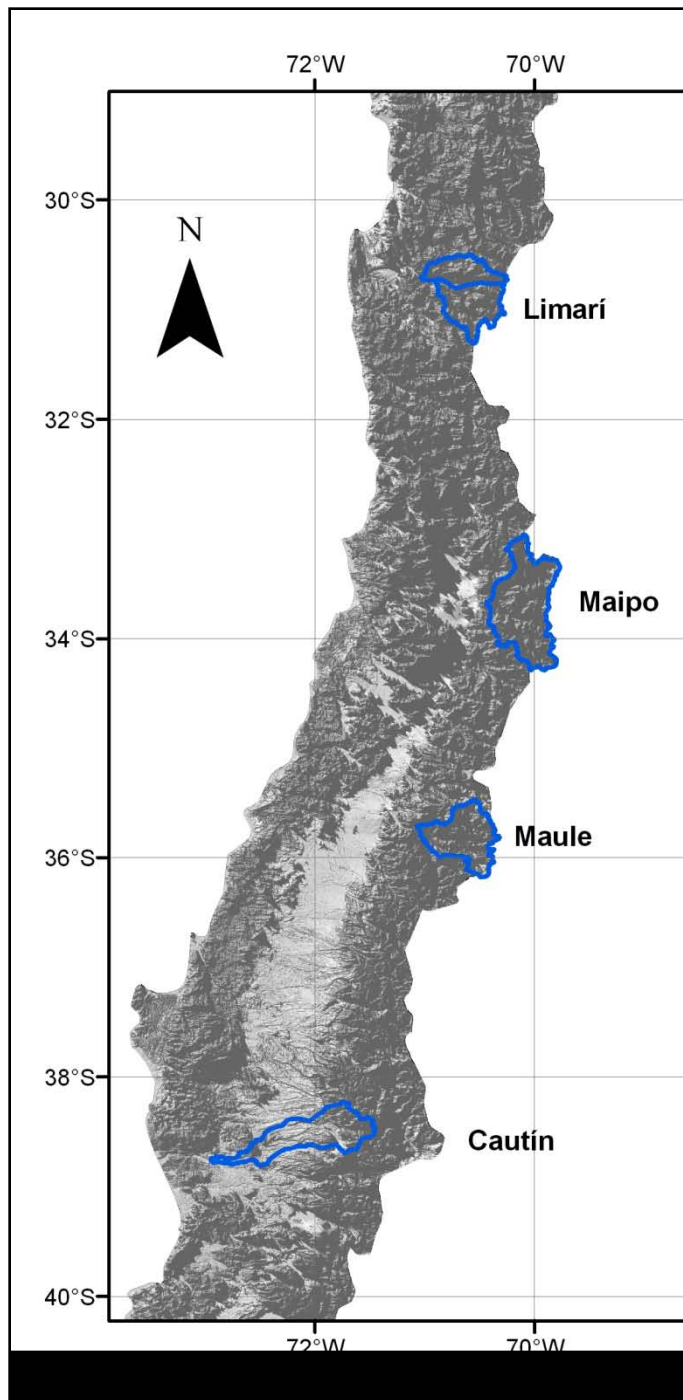


Temperature Projections – HadCM3

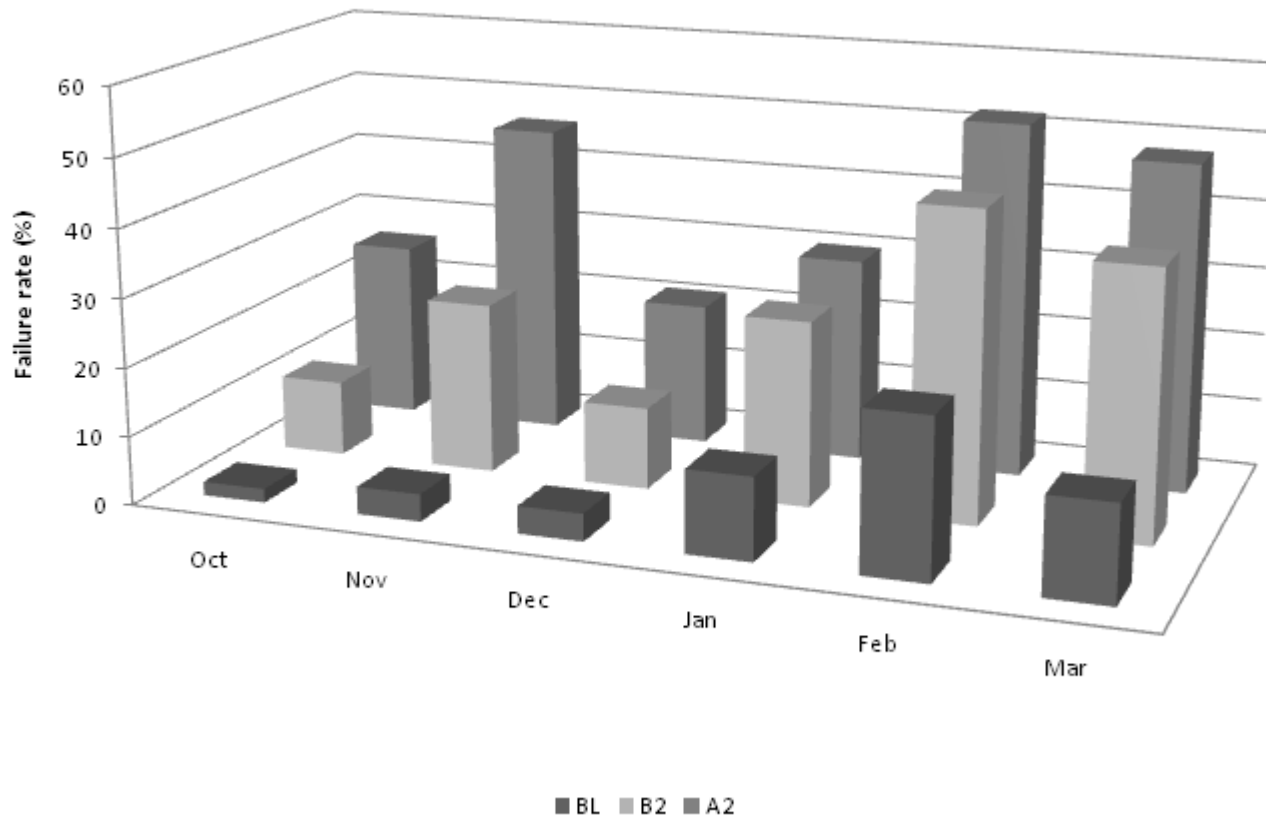


Rainfall projections – HadCM3



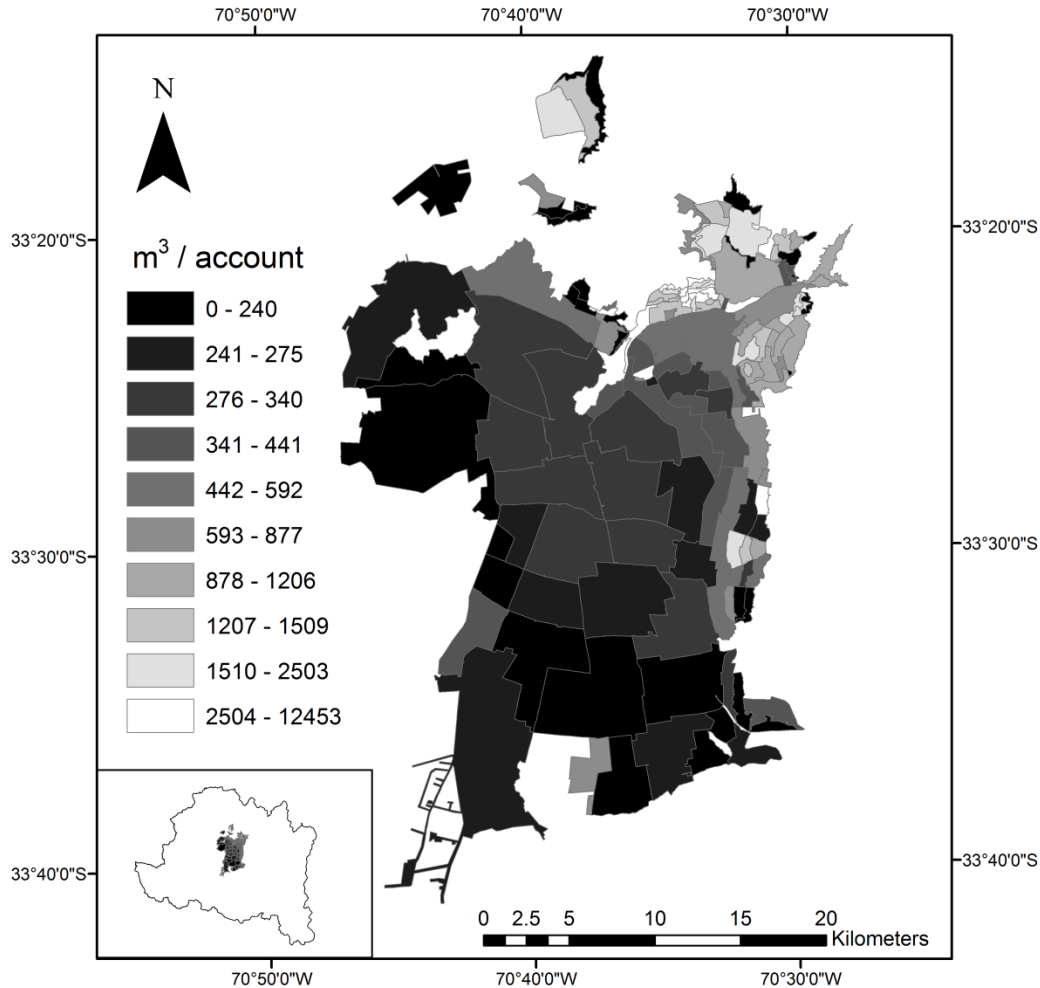


Impacts on Agriculture

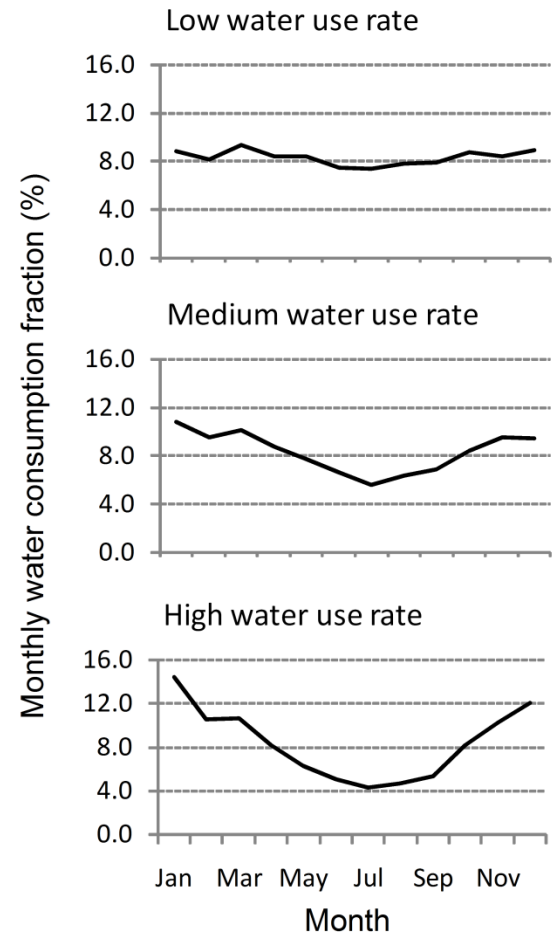


Impacts on Urban Water Supply

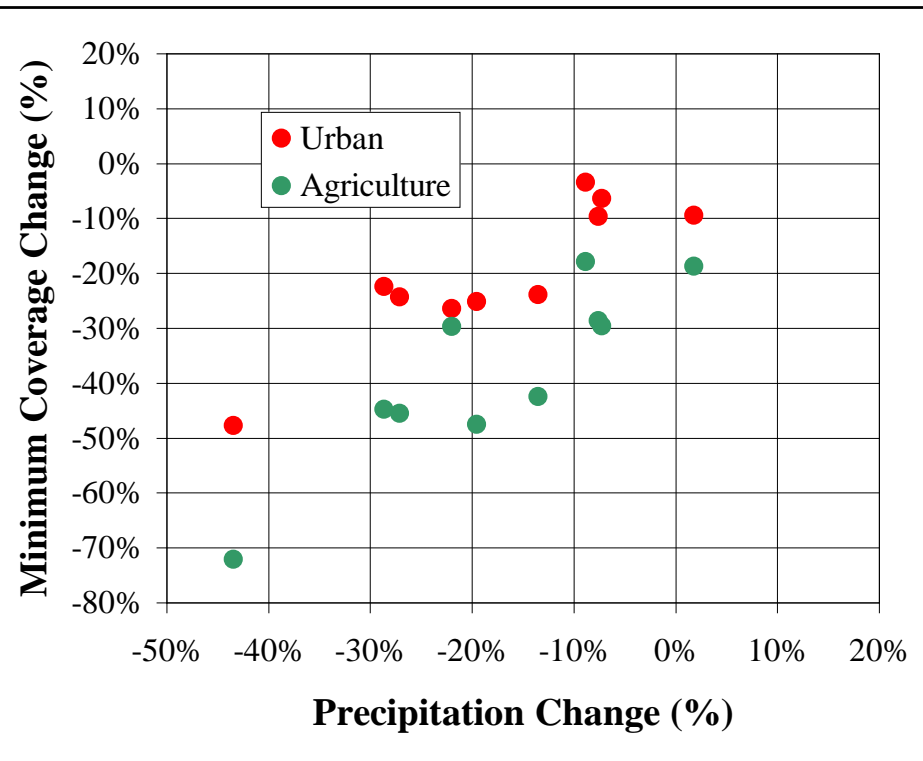
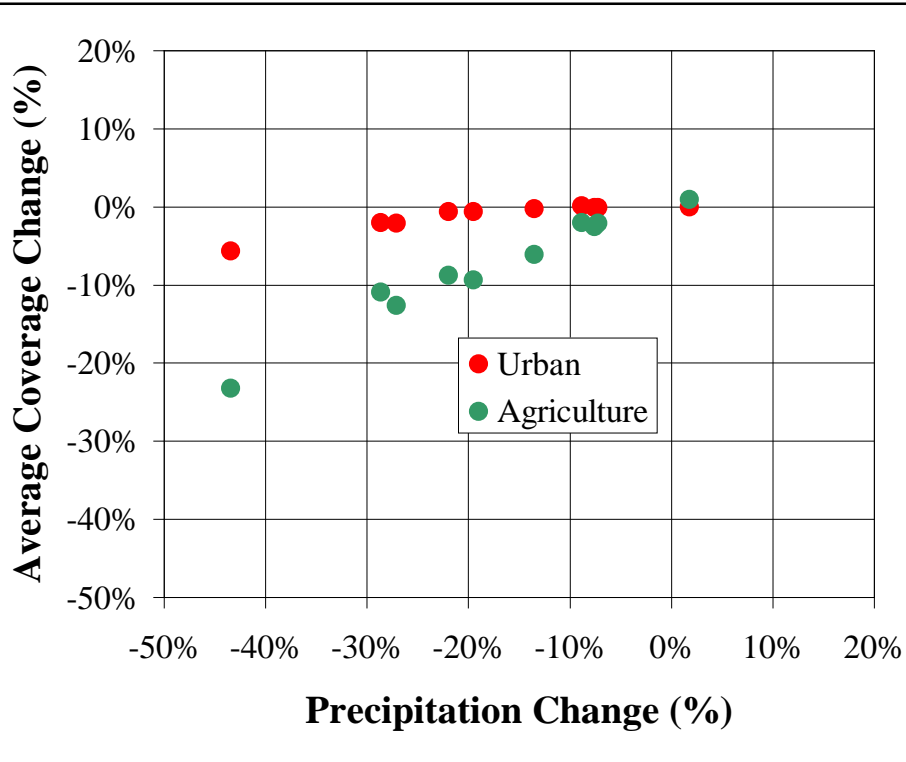
(a) Mean annual urban water consumption



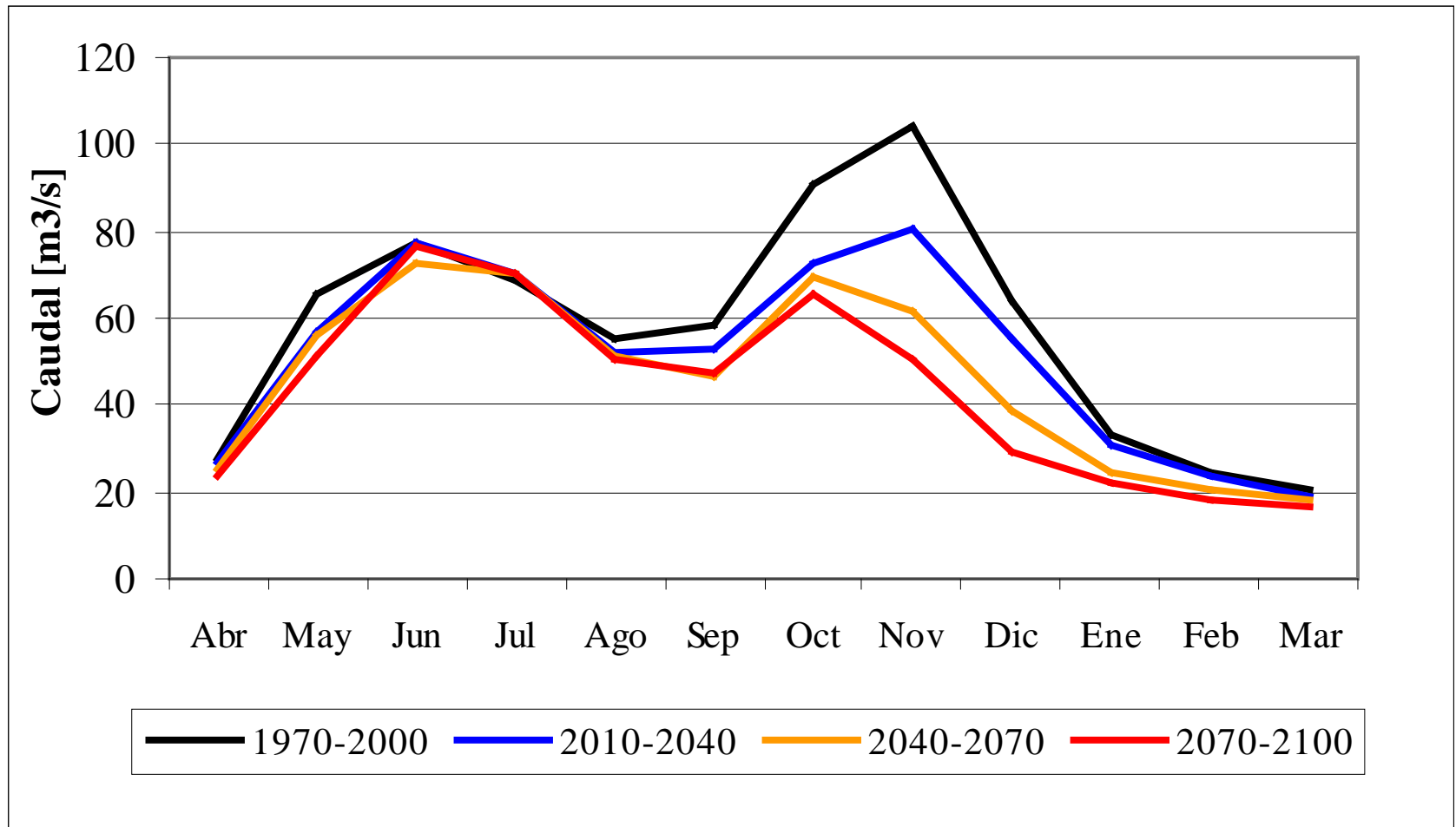
(b) Monthly water consumption seasonality



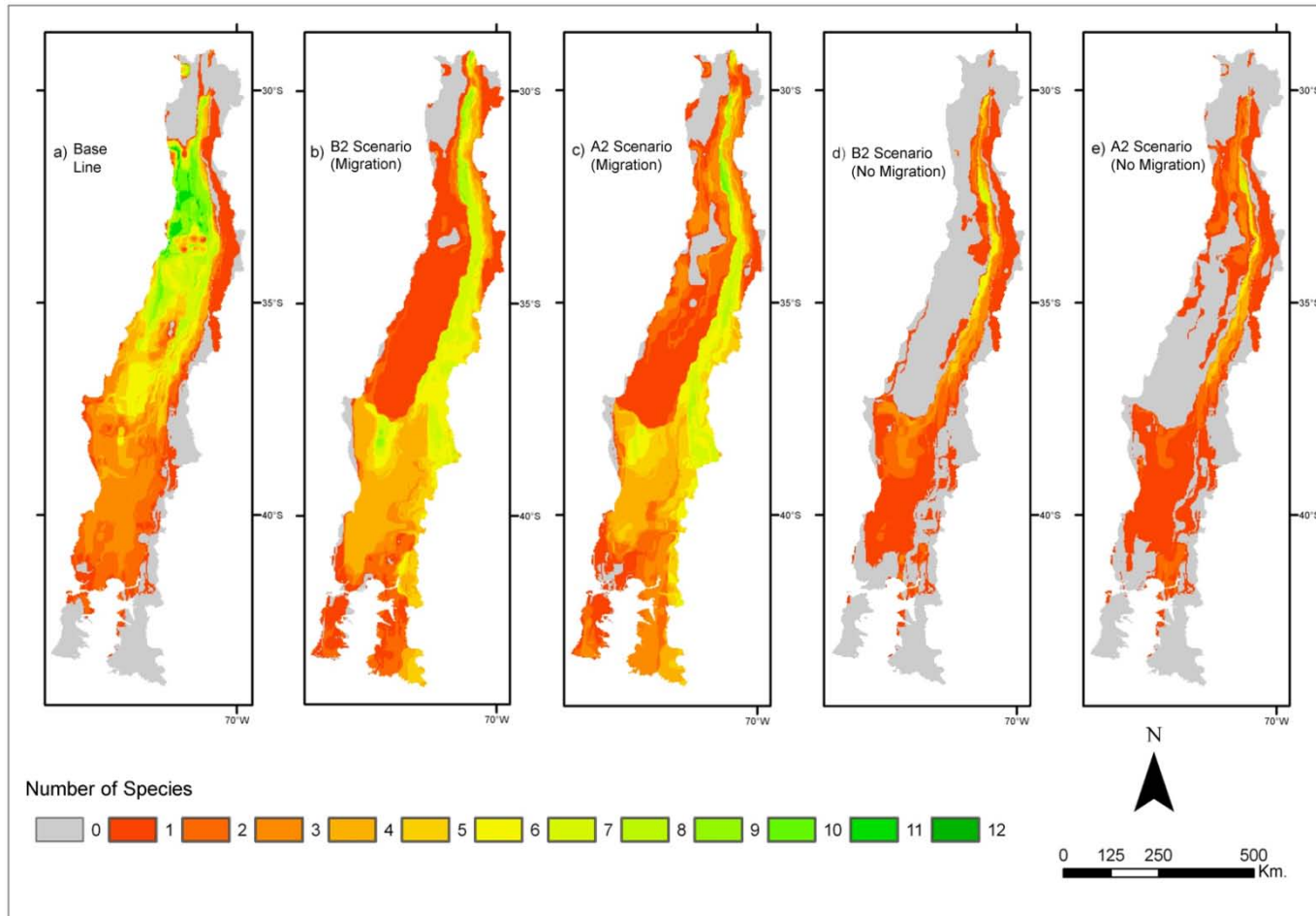
Water demand coverage: non linear effects



Hydropower generation



Impacts on Mediterranean Shrubland



U Arizona – IAI – U Católica

- Collaboration strengthened during the course of IAI's Cooperative Research Network CRN2
- Water, climate, adaptation
- Energy, ecosystems challenges raised
- UA and UC developing mechanisms to link North and South American networks

Network development

WATER SECURITY

in development:

- IAI CRN3
- NSF PASI
- IDRC CCW

RESILIENCE & ADAPTIVE MANAGEMENT

- NSF Resilient & Sustain Infrastruct RESIN
- NSF Coupled Natural-Human Systems CNH

RISK & VULNERABILITY

- IAI Human Dimensions & Coop Resch Net CRN2
- NOAA Sectoral Apps SARP/ Clim-Soc CSI
- NOAA Climate of Southwest CLIMAS
- USGS Transboundary Aquifers TAAP
- Az Water Inst – Water-energy nexus
- WaterReuse Foundn

Challenges in the Arid Americas



- Water scarcity
 - hydroclimatological
 - human use
- Energy insecurity
- Adaptation
 - science & policy
 - networks
- Governance
 - intersectoral
 - transboundary
 - cross-regional

The water-energy-environment nexus in the Americas: global change driver and adaptive response

Challenges

(some, not all, shared regionally)

- energy insecurity
- freshwater scarcity
- shifting demographics
- globalized markets
- climate change

Regional ↔ Global

Global change drivers

- urbanization
- land use change
- economic globalization
- hydro-climate non-stationarity

Regional adaptive responses

- planning under uncertainty
- science & policy co-production
- water, energy demand management; adaptive infrastructure
- ecosystem restoration

Regional ↔ Global

Implications and impacts

- societal vulnerability
- threatened, impaired ecosystems
- earth-system resilience destabilized

- QUESTIONS?