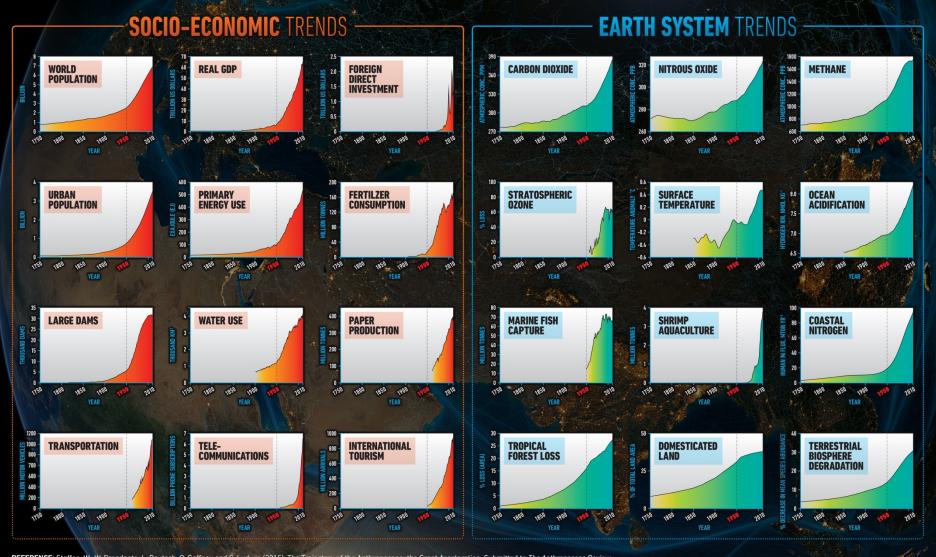


THE GREAT ACCELERATION



REFERENCE: Steffen, W., W. Broadgate, L. Deutsch, O. Gaffney and C. Ludwig (2015), The Trajectory of the Anthropocene: the Great Acceleration, Submitted to The Anthropocene Review.

MAP & DESIGN: Félix Pharand-Deschênes / Globaïa



Global Carbon Budget

The cumulative contributions to the Global Carbon Budget from 1870 Contributions are shown in parts per million (ppm)

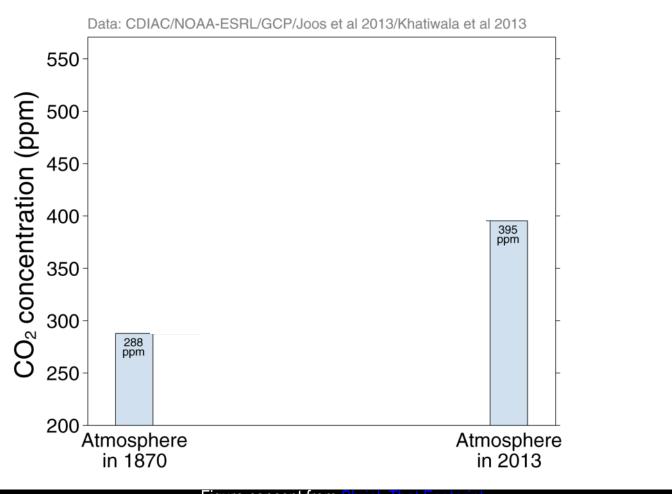
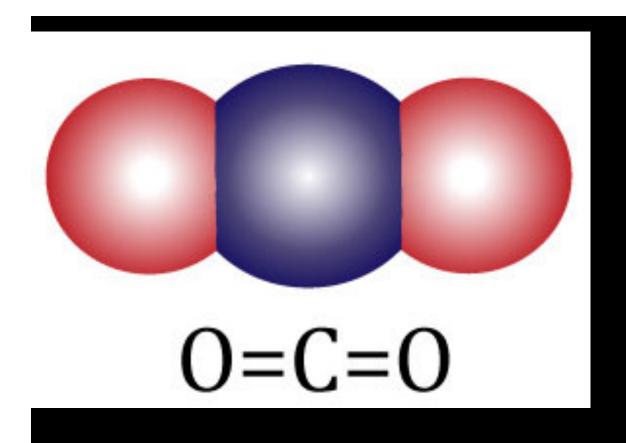
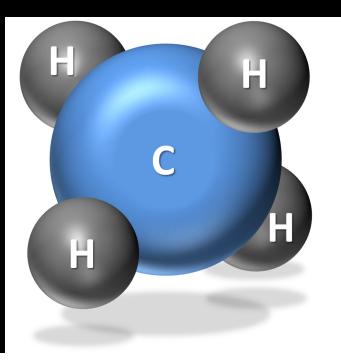
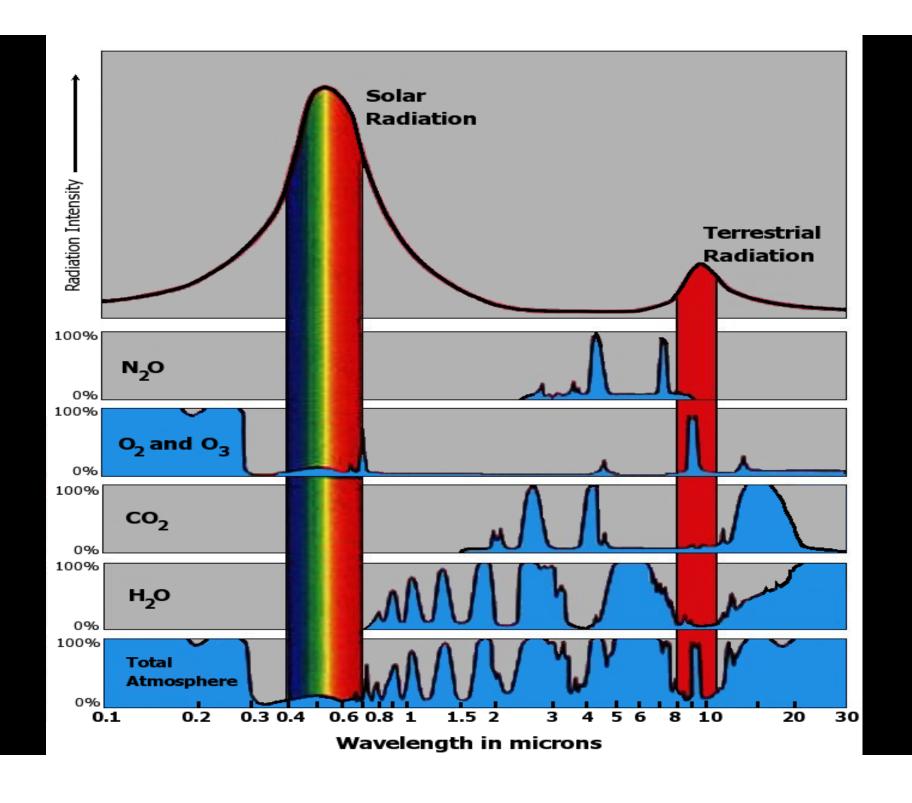
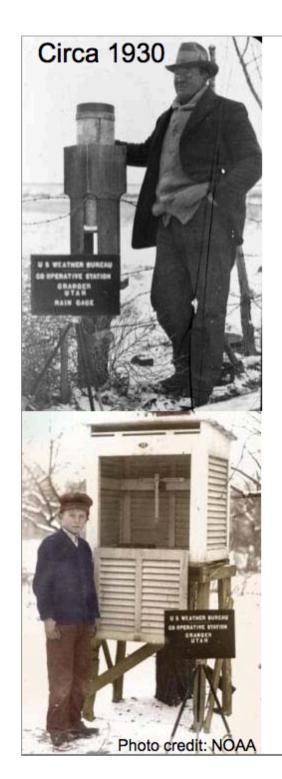


Figure concept from Shrink That Footprint
Source: CDIAC; NOAA-ESRL; Houghton et al 2012; Giglio et al 2013; Joos et al 2013; Khatiwala et al 2013; Le Quéré et al 2014: Global Carbon Budget 2014



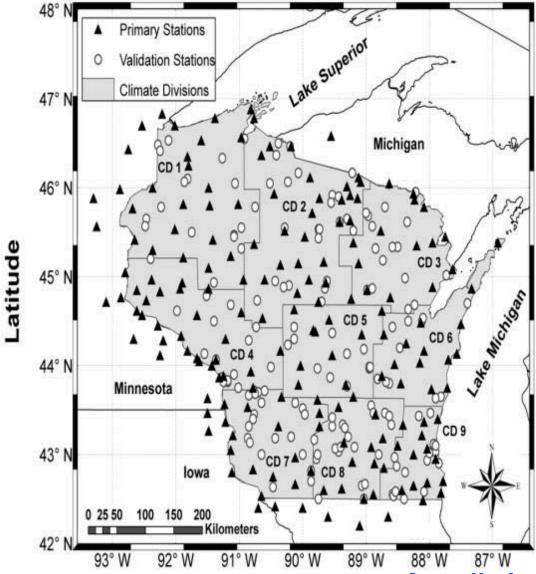






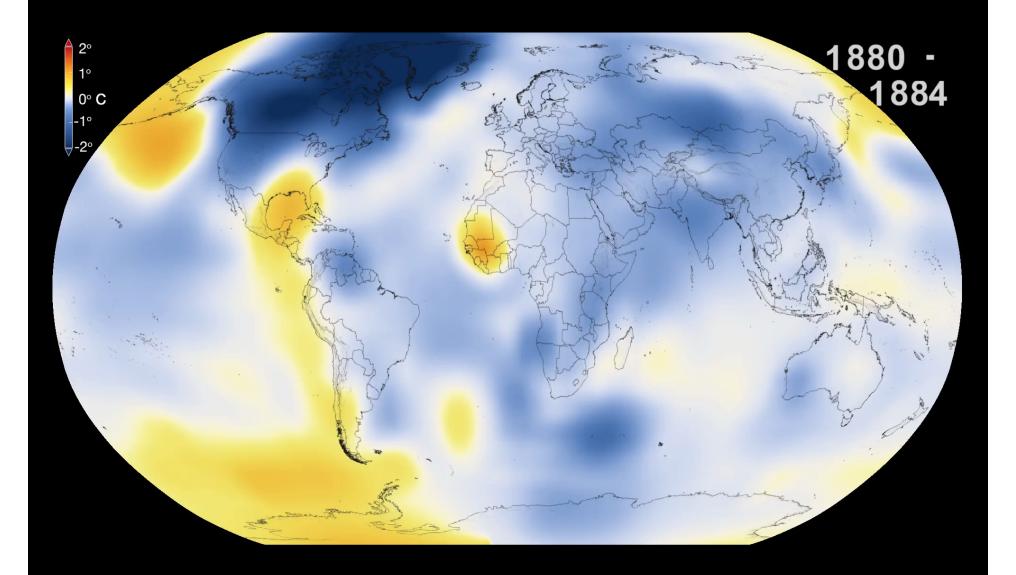
Weather Station Network for Wisconsin

(Daily temperature and precipitation data since 1950)

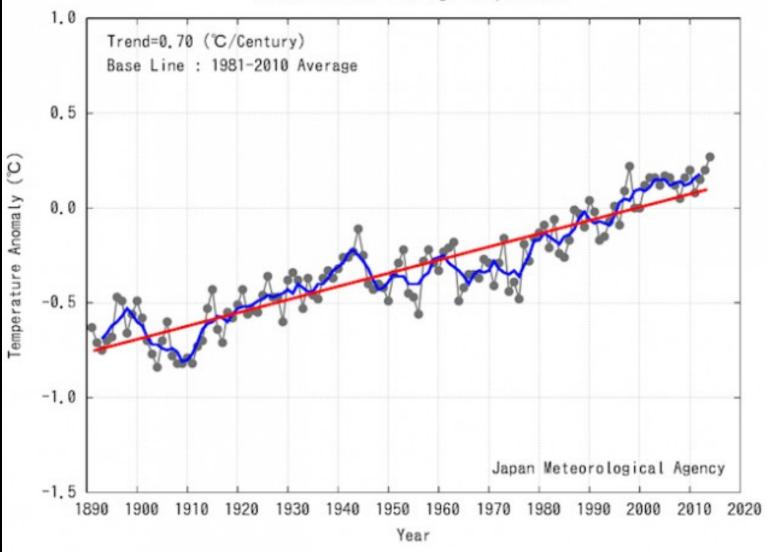


Longitude

Source: Map from Serbin and Kucharik (2009); photos from C. Kucharik, UW-Madison





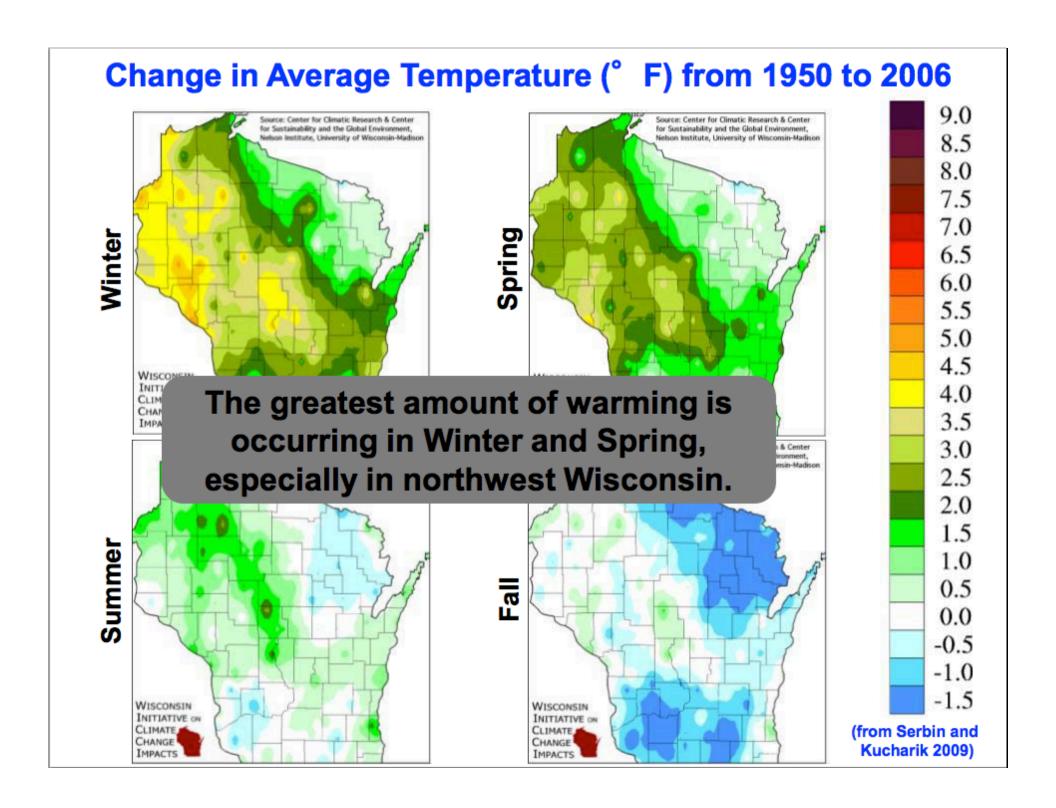


Anomalies are deviation from baseline (1981-2010 Average).

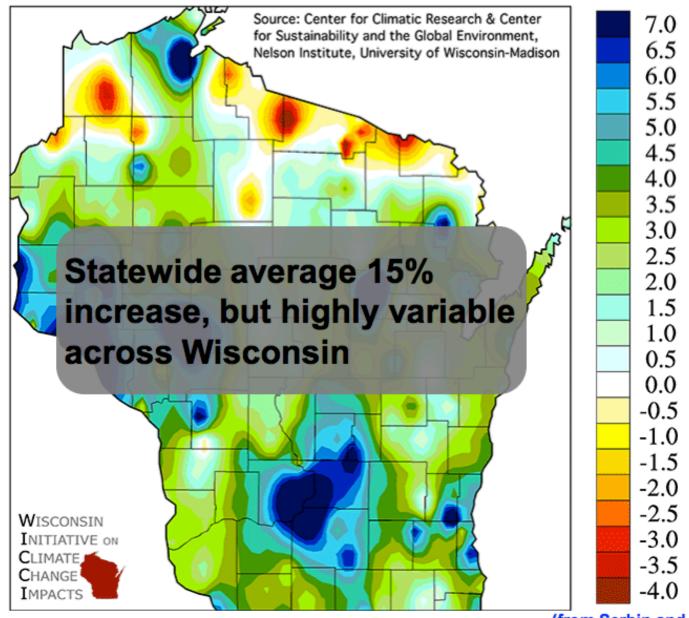
The black thin line indicates surface temperature anomaly of each year.

The blue line indicates their 5-year running mean,

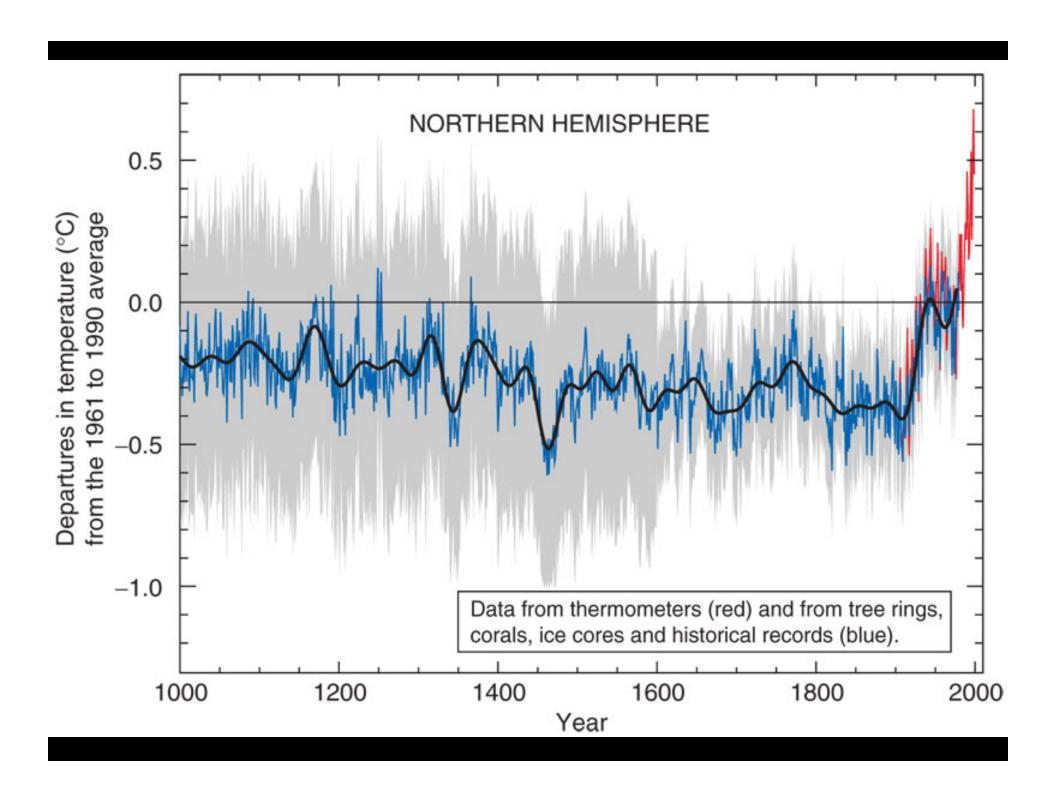
The red line indicates the long-term linear trend.

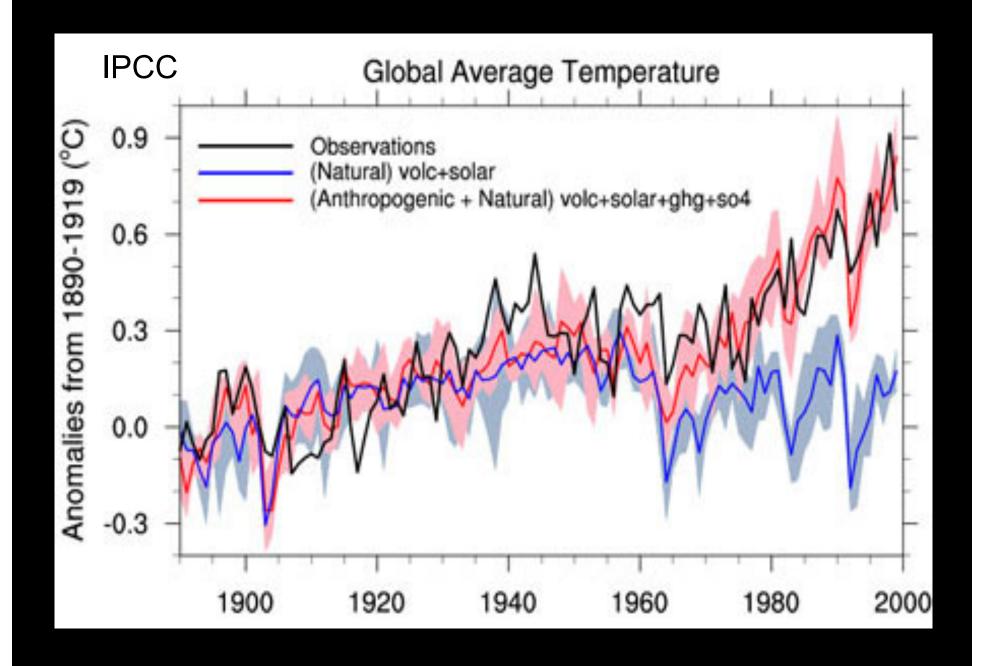


Change in Annual Average Precipitation (inches) from 1950 to 2006



(from Serbin and Kucharik 2009)

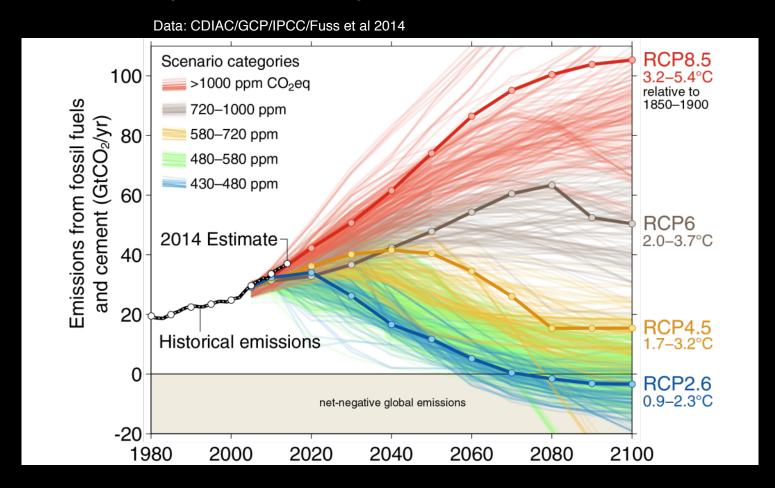






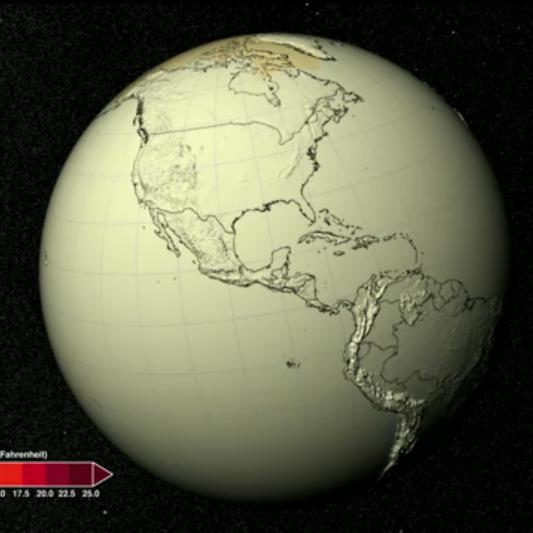
Observed Emissions and Emissions Scenarios

Emissions are on track for 3.2–5.4°C "likely" increase in temperature above pre-industrial Large and sustained mitigation is required to keep below 2°C

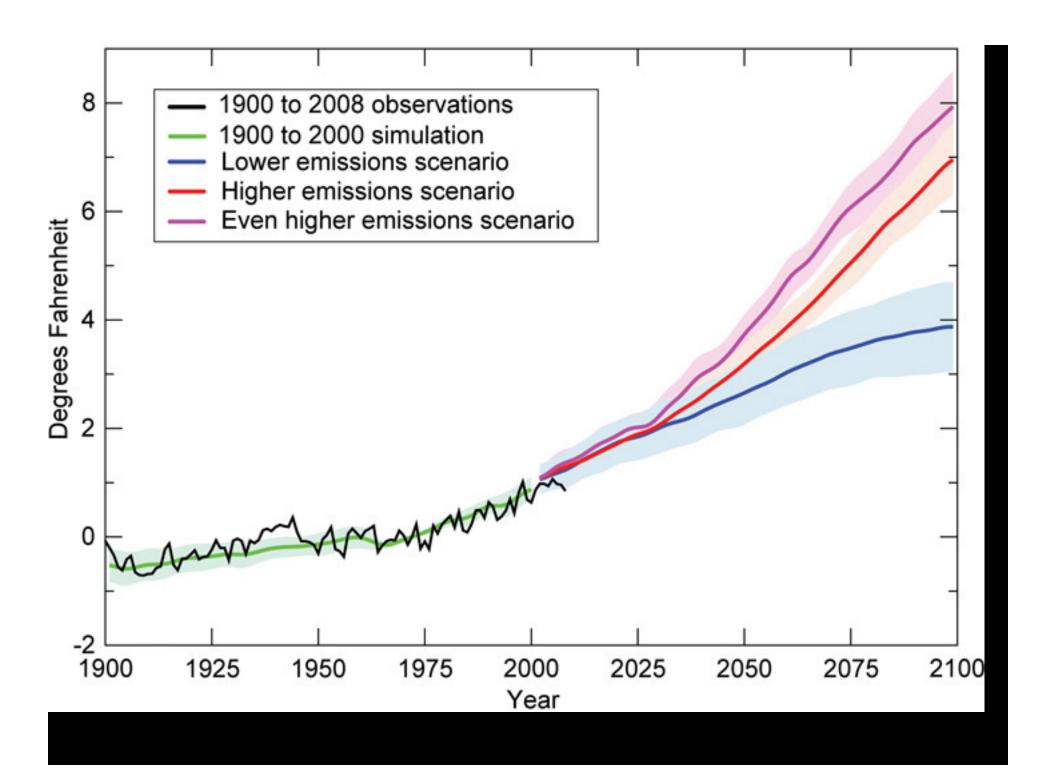


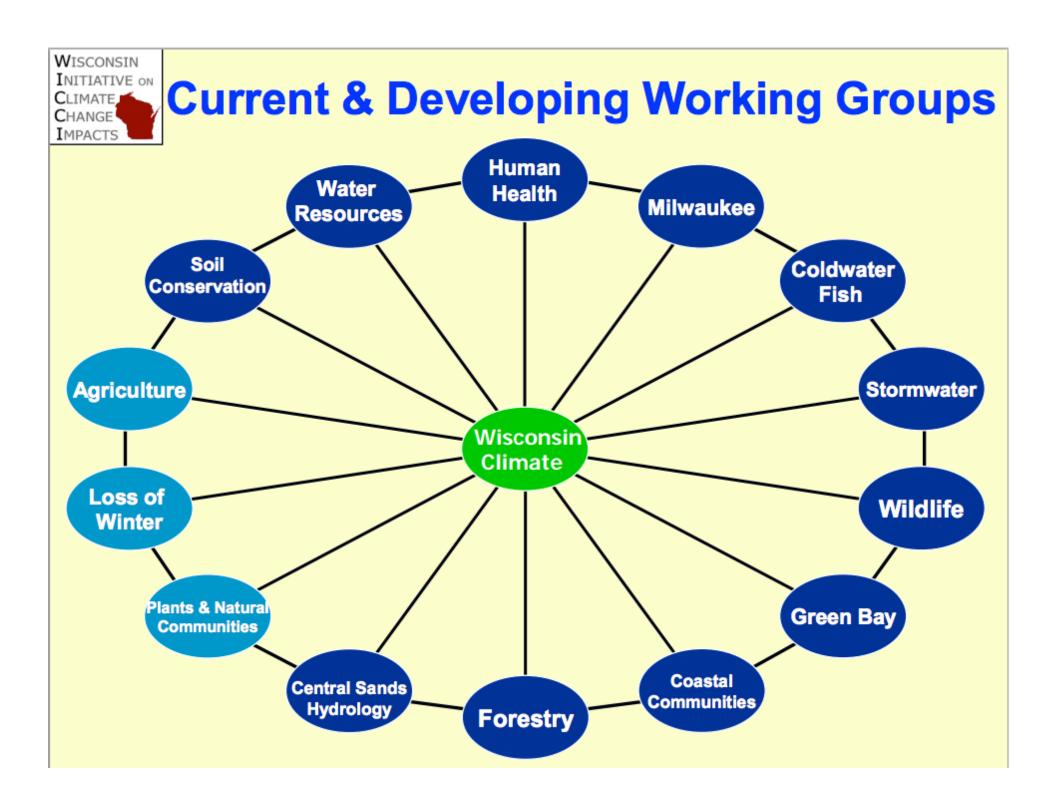
Over 1000 scenarios from the IPCC Fifth Assessment Report are shown Source: Fuss et al 2014; CDIAC; Global Carbon Budget 2014

RCP 8.5

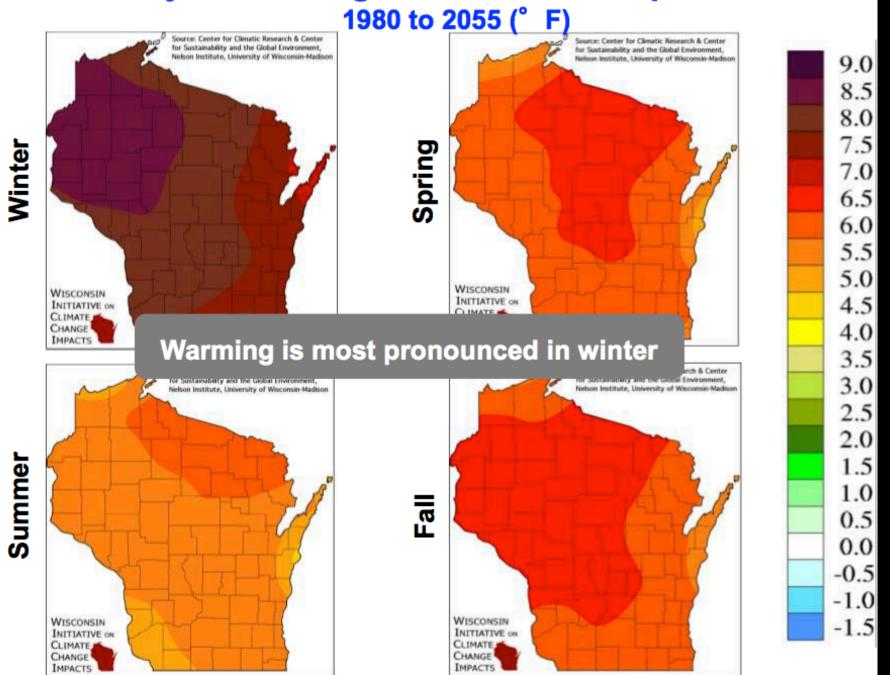


2006





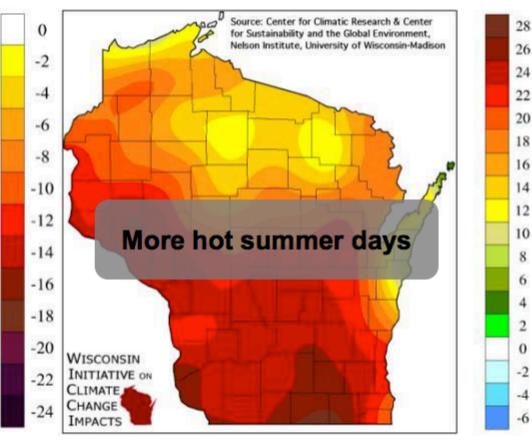
Projected Change in Seasonal Temperatures



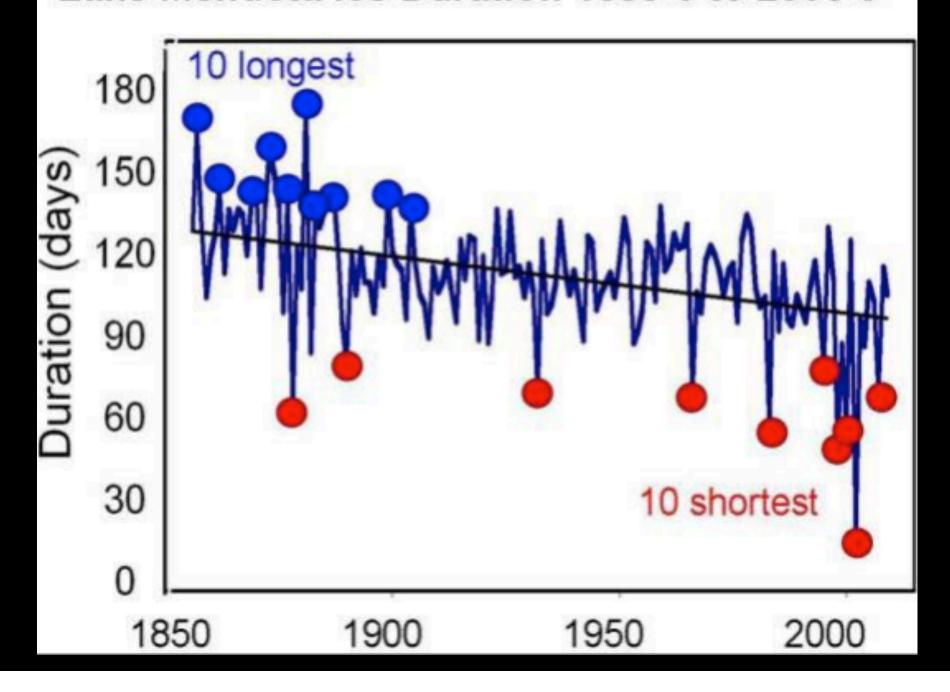
Projected change in the frequency of <0° F nights per year from 1980 to 2055

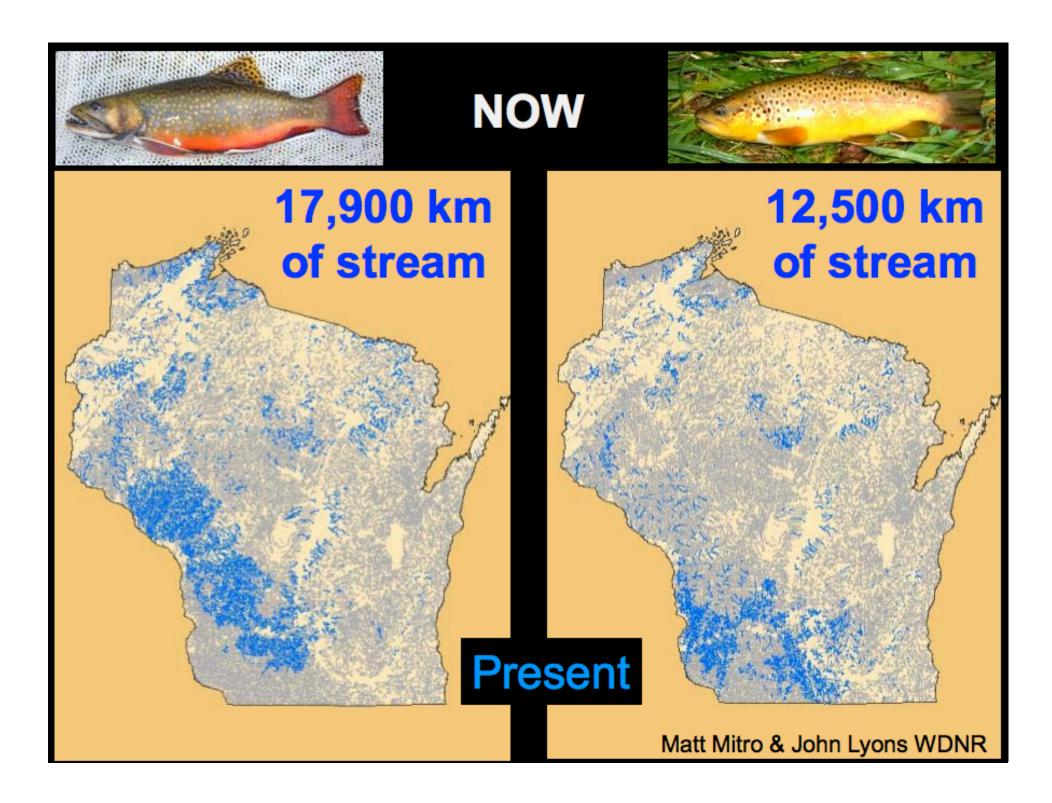
Source: Center for Climatic Research & Center for Sustainability and the Global Environment. Nelson Institute, University of Wisconsin-Madison Fewer extremely cold winter nights WISCONSIN INITIATIVE ON CLIMATE CHANGE **IMPACTS**

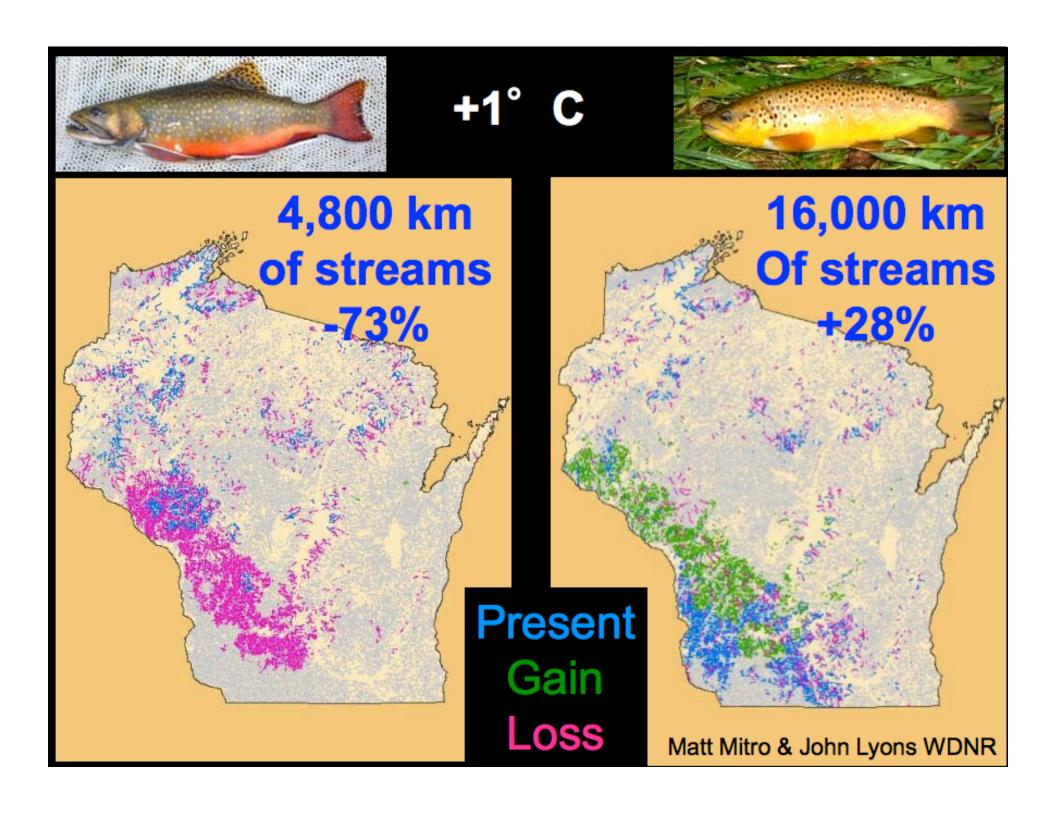
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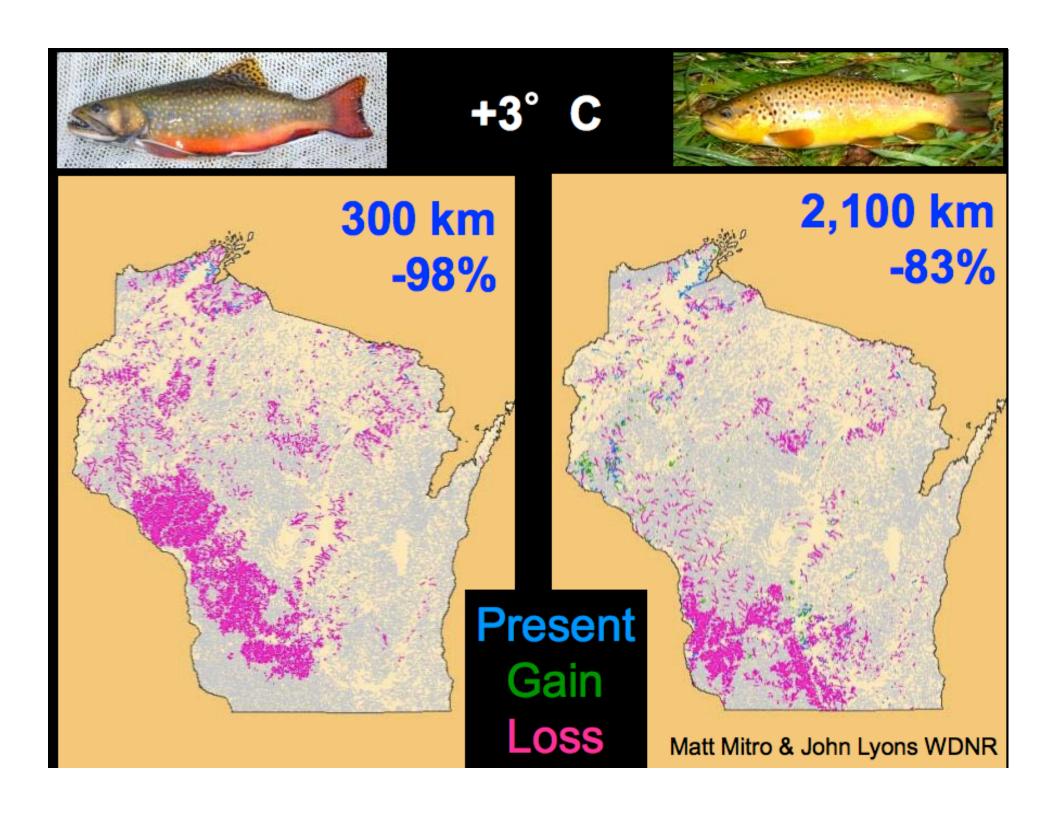


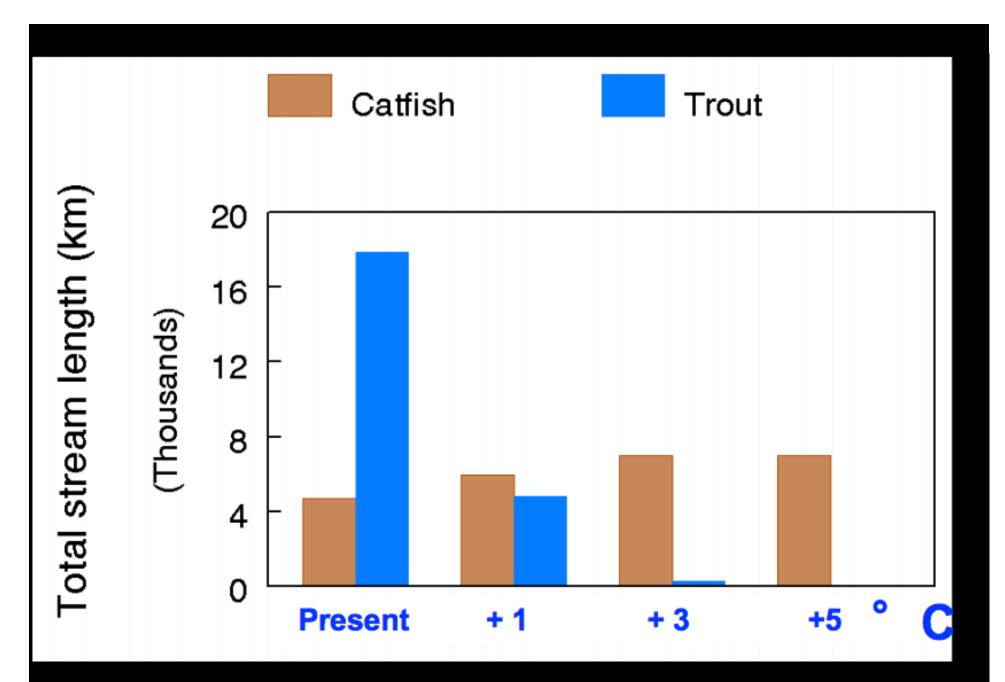
Lake Mendota Ice Duration 1855-6 to 2008-9



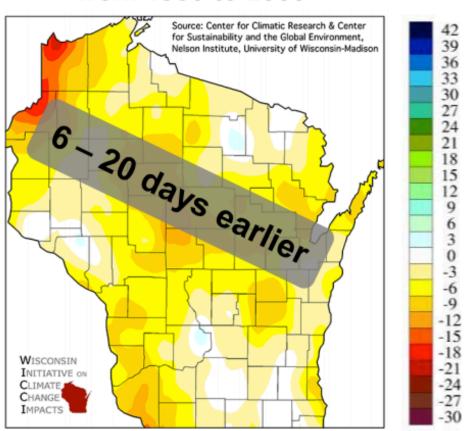




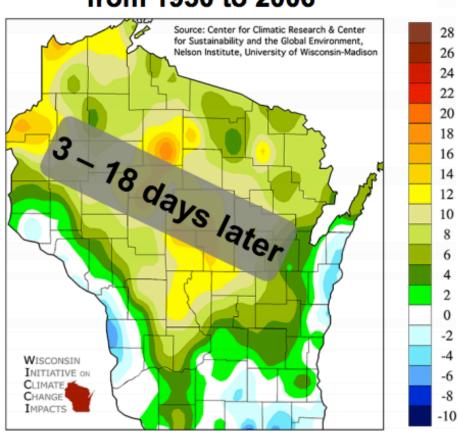




Change in Date of Last Spring Freeze from 1950 to 2006



Change in Date of First Fall Freeze from 1950 to 2006

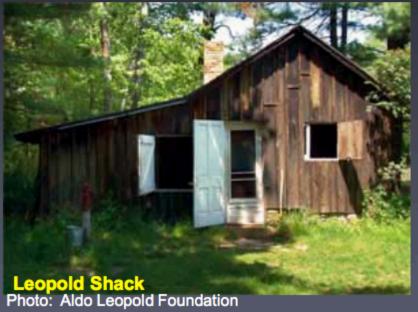


(from Serbin and Kucharik 2009)

Earlier arrival of spring in Wisconsin

Bird migration	Vegetation
Geese Arrival: 29 days	Baptista first bloom: 18 days
Cardinal first song: 22 days	Butterfly weed first bloom: 18 days
Robin arrival: 9 days	Marsh milkweed first bloom: 13 days





55 ecological indicators of spring occurred on average 1.2 days earlier per decade from 1936 to 1998.

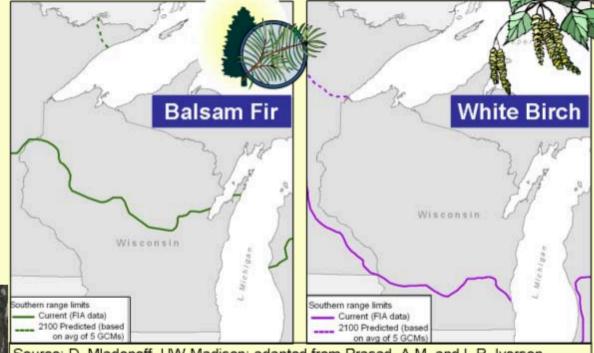
Source: Bradley et al., 1999. Phenological changes reflect climate change in Wisconsin. Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci., 96: 9701-9704.

Slide adapted from C. Kucharik, UW-Madison



Forestry Working Group

Loss of Northern Tree Species



Source: D. Mladenoff, UW-Madison; adapted from Prasad, A.M. and L.R. Iverson. 1999-ongoing. http://www.fs.fed.us/ne/delaware/atlas/index.html



Impacts of Warmer Winters on Logging



Stormwater Working Group

Damage to communities and transportation systems from extreme storm events







Human Health Working Group



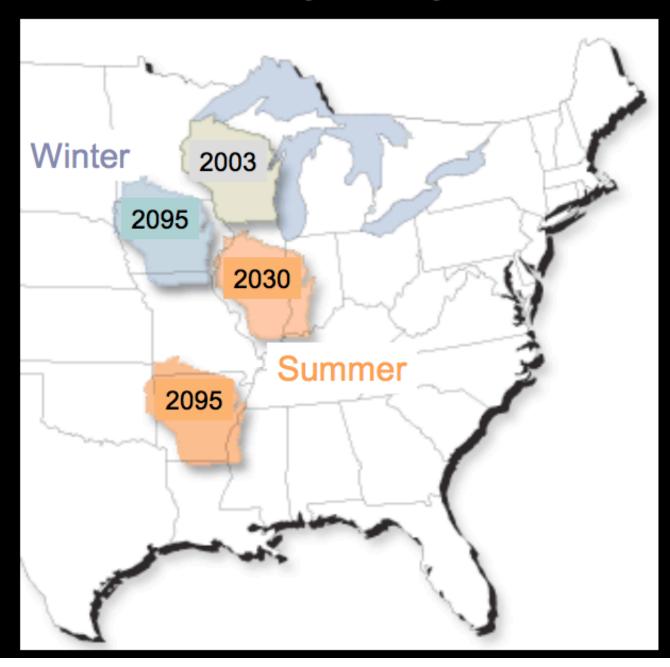
Increase in waterborne infectious diseases from more intense storms



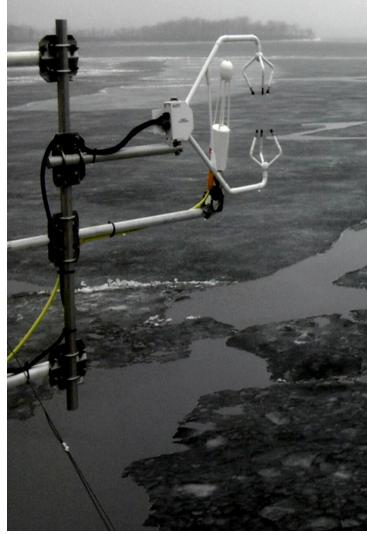


Increase in respiratory health problems from air pollution and climate change

Wisconsin Migrating Climate



Why is this controversial?



Obama's Effort to Slow Climate Change Heads to Court

By CORAL DAVENPORT 5:00 AM ET
President Obama's most farreaching regulation to slow
climate change will have its
first day in court on Thursday,
the beginning of what is
expected to be a multiyear
legal battle over the policy.

1990

SO, THIS CLIMATE CHANGE THING COULD BE A PROBLEM ...



2007

LIKE A BROKEN RECORD



1995

CLIMATE CHANGE: DEFINITELY A PROBLEM.



WE REALLY HAVE CHECKED AND WE'RE NOT MAKING THIS UP.



2001

REALLY BE GETTING ON WITH SORTING THIS OUT PRETTY SOON



15 THIS THING ON?

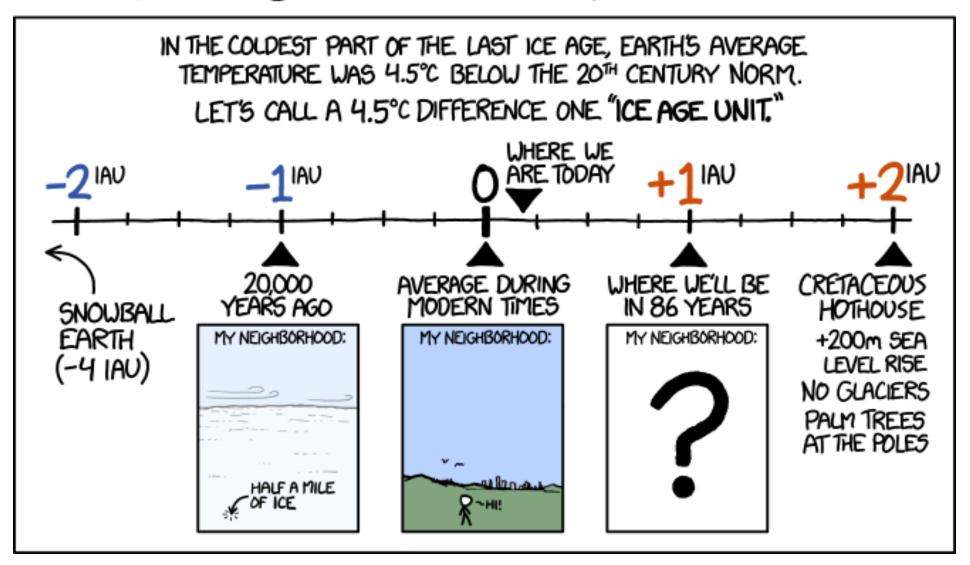


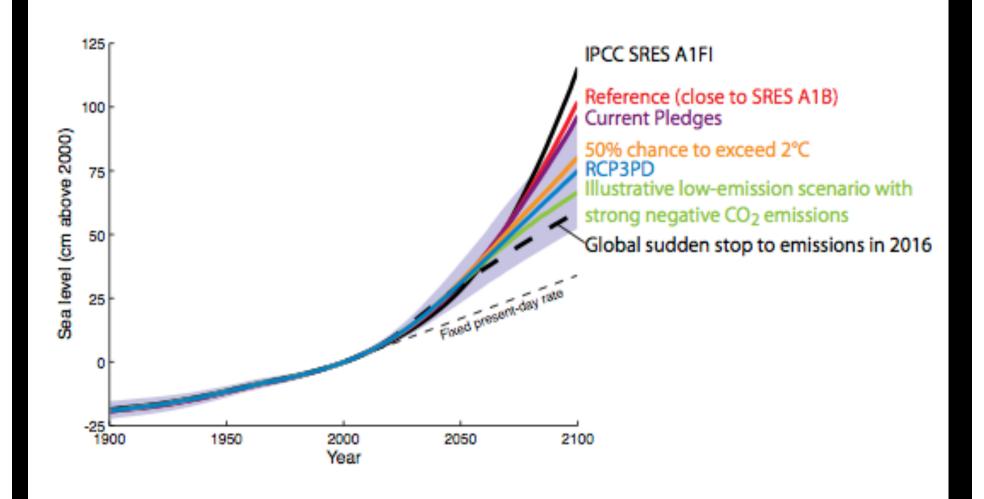
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WITHOUT PROMPT, AGGRESSIVE LIMITS ON CO2 EMISSIONS, THE EARTH WILL LIKELY WARM BY AN AVERAGE OF 4°-5°C BY THE CENTURY'S END.

HOW BIG A CHANGE 15 THAT?





What Are The Options?

Adaptation

- Economic/political (relocation, tech transfer, payments for damages, reduce poverty, educate)
- Technological (resilient tech, seawalls, genetic hybrids, cure malaria, colonize new planet)

Mitigation

- Economic (taxes, cap and trade, R&D)
- Political (treaties, bans, compacts, fuel/energy standards, public transit, voluntary agreements)
- Societal (sustainable development)
- Technological (CO2 capture, geoengineering, green tech, alternative energy, energy efficiency)