

ACLIM

The Alaska Climate Integrated Modeling project



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Building climate
resilience through
climate-informed
Ecosystem Based
Management advice

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Model enhancements & scoping of scenarios

Modelers run first set of (HCR+ABC x Fishing x Climate) scenarios

Modelers run phase 2 (HCR+ABC x Fishing x Climate) scenarios

Initial results and findings summarized and synthesized

Papers and synthesis writing; Individual MSEs & follow up papers planned

Draft summary of key findings for Council provided to CCTF, Eco. Comm., AP, SSC, and Council

Final report and recommendations for future actions & priority research

2021

December Council Meeting

Introduction to ACLIM 2.0 and review of findings from ACLIM 1.0.

2022

March Ecosystem Committee update

In depth discussion of ACLIM 1.0 findings and feedback on planned activities leading up to June 2022 fishing scenarios workshop.

2022

June Scenarios Workshop (June 8)

Evening workshop to discuss recent ACLIM management strategy evaluation climate X fishing scenarios and scope June - Oct phase 2 set. Interactive with SSC, Council members and public.

2022

October Council Meeting

ACLIM initial findings presented to Council for feedback.

2023

December Council Meeting

2023

April Council Meeting

2023

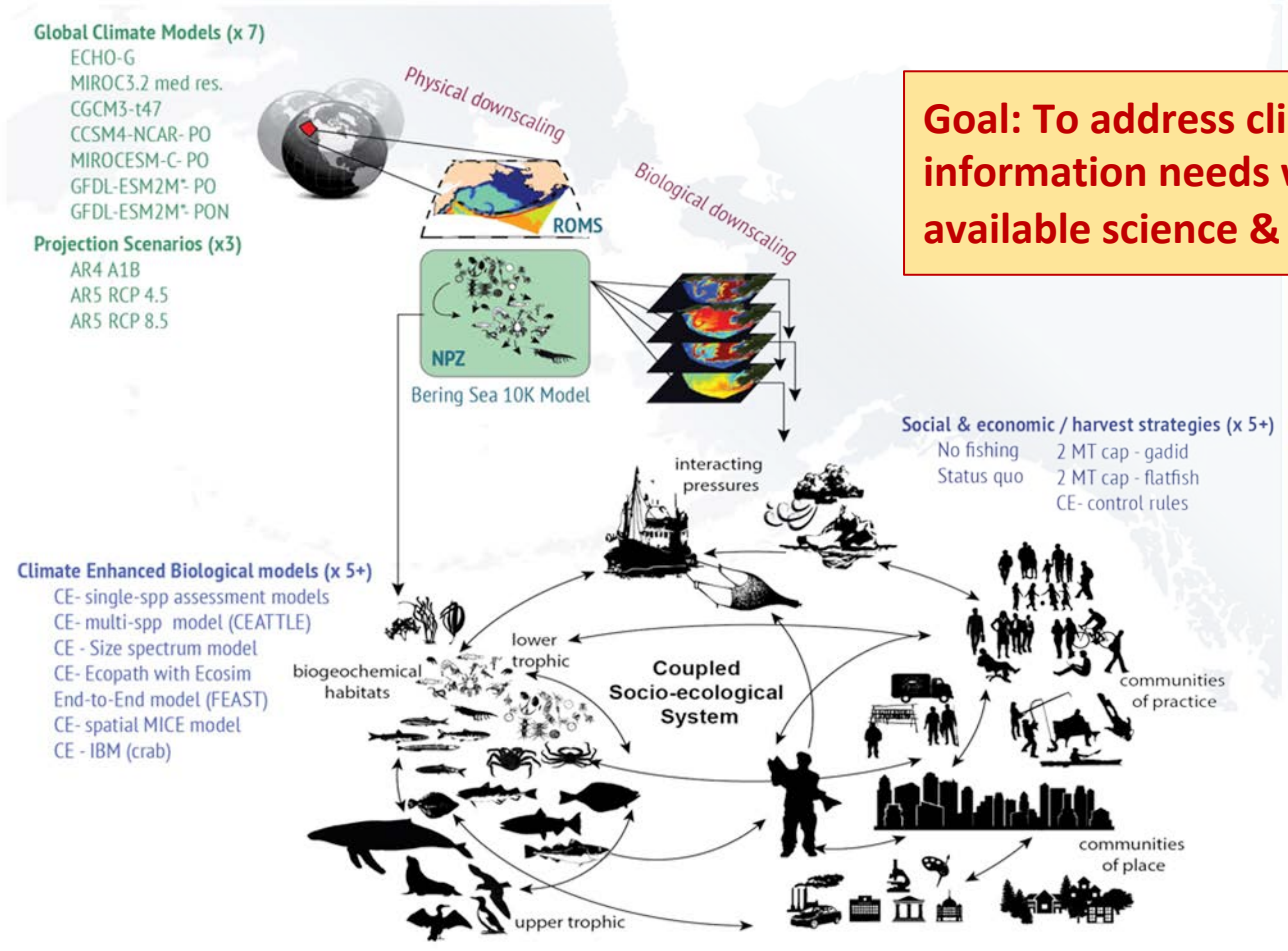
June Council Meeting



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Goal: To address climate information needs with best available science & tools



Outline of Today's Presentation

1. Background on climate change and ACLIM
2. Most recent climate projections for the Bering Sea
3. ACLIM phase 1: Biological projections with fishing scenarios
4. ACLIM phase 2: fishing and harvest control rule (HCR) example scenarios + requests for Council input



IPCC 6th Assessment Report (2021)



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Part 1

Climate change has already warmed the planet

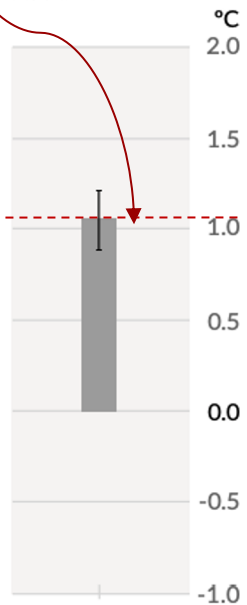


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Observed warming

a) Observed warming
2010–2019 relative to
1850–1900



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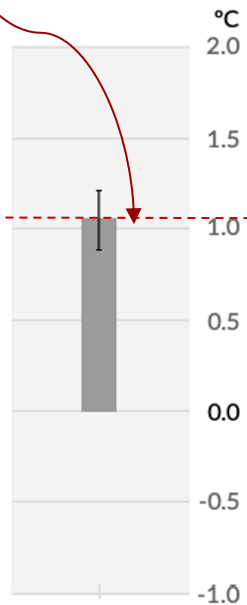


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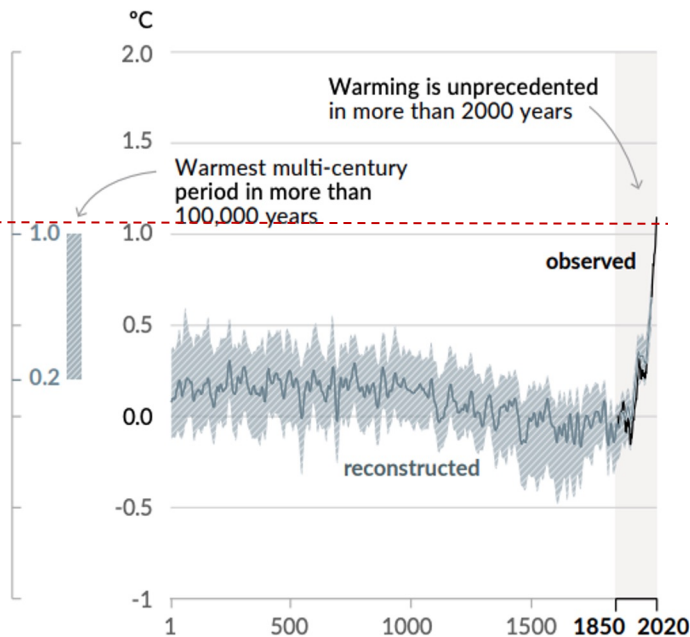
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Changes in global surface temperature relative to 1850-1900

a) Change in global surface temperature (decadal average) as **reconstructed** (1-2000) and **observed** (1850-2020)



Recent Global Mean Warming is:

- Warmest period in more than 100,000 years
- Unprecedented warming in more than 2,000 years



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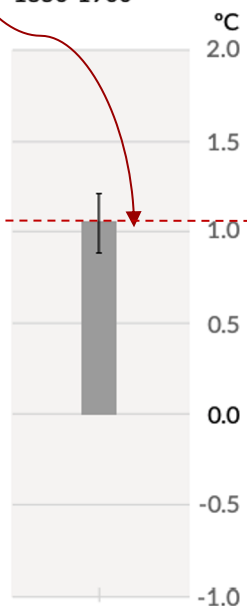


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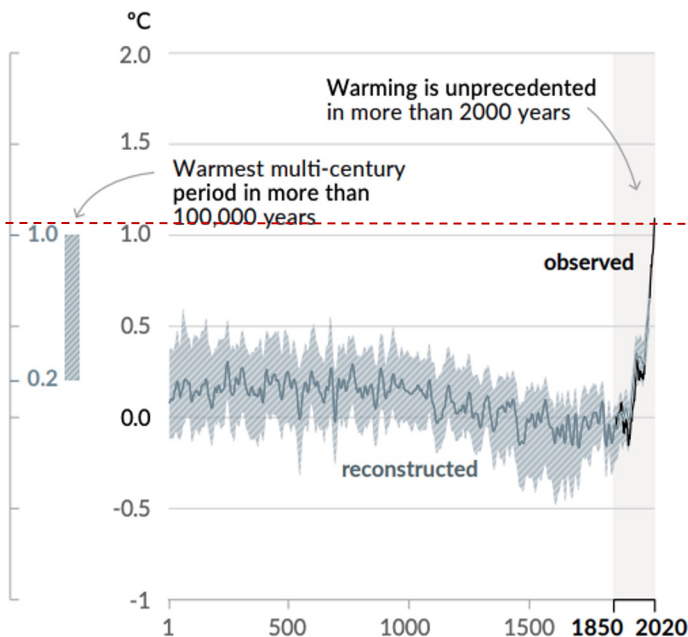
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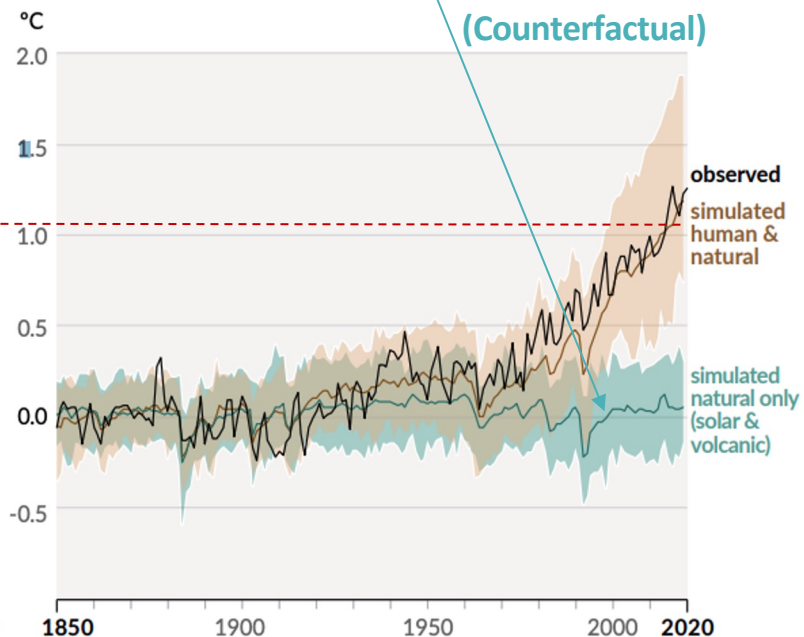


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a) Change in global surface temperature (decadal average) as reconstructed (1-2000) and observed (1850-2020)



b) Change in global surface temperature (annual average) as observed and simulated using human & natural and only natural factors (both 1850-2020)



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Warming in the Arctic is 2-3 x global average



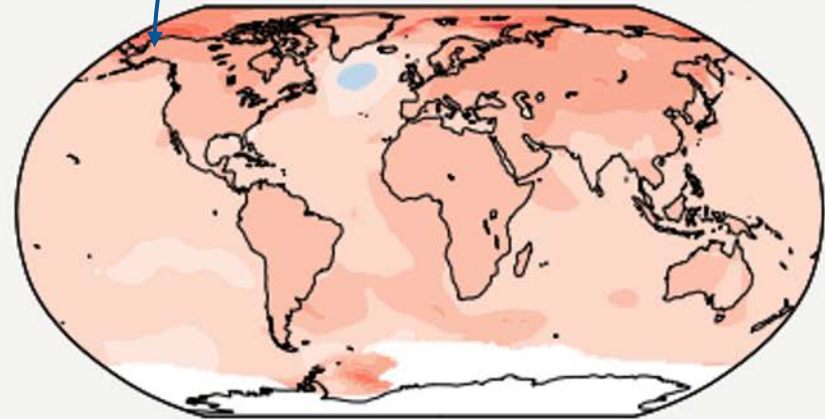
1.07°C of “Global mean warming” = Warming of 2-3°C in the Arctic

“Polar Amplification”

a) Annual mean temperature change (°C) at 1 °C global warming

Warming at 1 °C affects all continents and is generally larger over land than over the oceans in both observations and models. Across most regions, observed and simulated patterns are consistent.

Observed change per 1 °C global warming



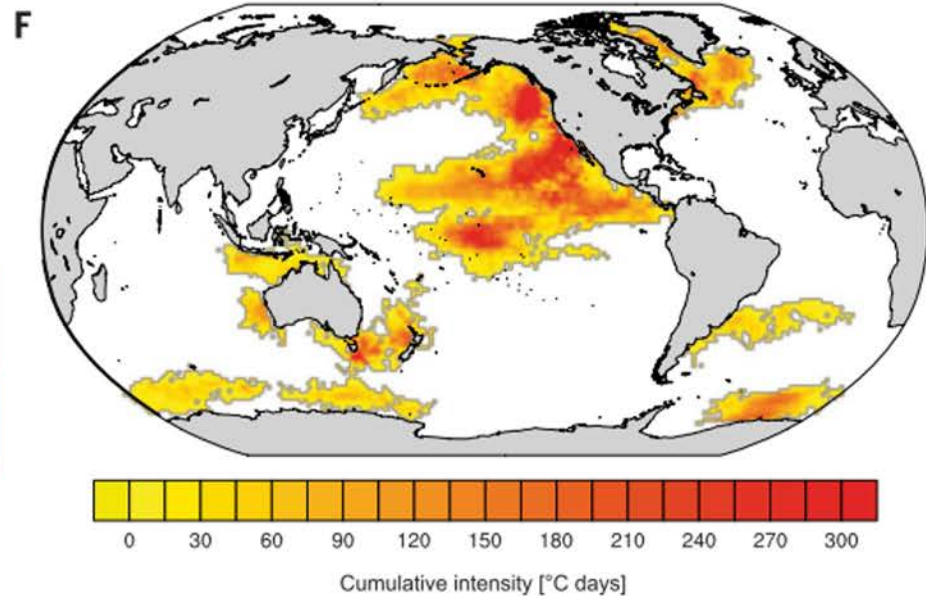
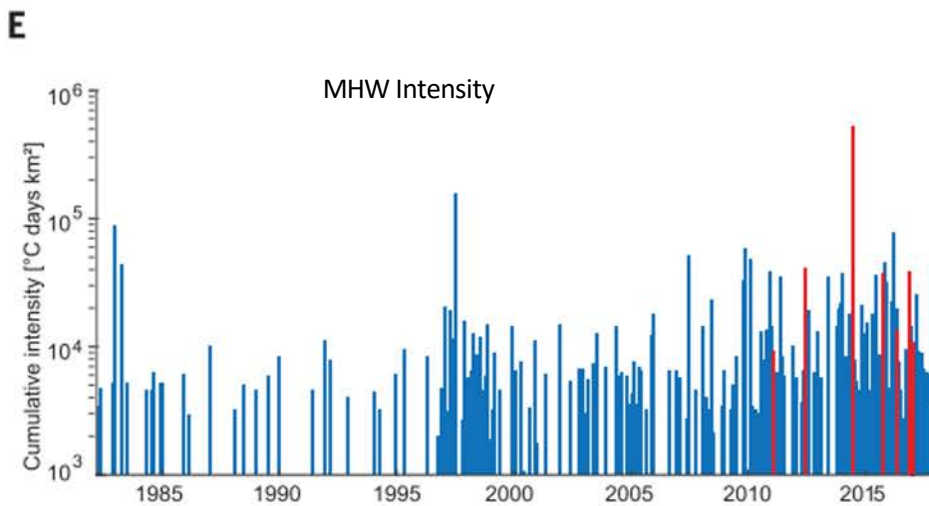
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In Alaska climate change has already caused: Marine Heatwaves



“We show that the occurrence probabilities of the duration, intensity, and cumulative intensity of most documented, large, and **impactful MHWs have increased more than 20-fold as a result of anthropogenic climate change.**”

Pre-industrial (0°C global warming) = once every 100-1,000 y
1.5°C global warming = once every 10 - 100 y
3.0°C global warming = once every 1 - 10 y



High-impact marine heatwaves attributable to human-induced global warming Laufkötter et al. Science 369 (6511), 1621-1625. DOI: 10.1126/science.aba0690

In Alaska climate change has already caused: Loss of Sea Ice



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GEOLOGY

High sensitivity of Bering Sea winter sea ice to winter insolation and carbon dioxide over the last 5500 years

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Anomalous low winter sea ice extent and early retreat in CE 2018 and 2019 challenge previous notions that winter sea ice in the Bering Sea has been stable over the instrumental record, although long-term records remain limited. Here, we use a record of peat cellulose oxygen isotopes from St. Matthew Island along with isotopically-enabled general circulation model (IsoGSM) simulations to generate a 5500-year record of Bering Sea winter sea ice extent. Results show that over the last 5500 years, sea ice in the Bering Sea decreased in response to increasing winter insolation and atmospheric CO₂, suggesting that the North Pacific is highly sensitive to small changes in radiative forcing. We find that CE 2018 sea ice conditions were the lowest of the last 5500 years, and results suggest that sea ice loss may lag changes in CO₂ concentrations by several decades.

INTRODUCTION

Summer sea ice in the Arctic Ocean has been shrinking in recent decades (1) in tandem with increasing CO₂ emissions (2). However, winter Bering Sea sea ice extent (Fig. 1), which forms in winter and is absent in the summer under modern climate (3), has remained relatively stable and/or has increased (4) over the satellite record, suggesting that winter sea ice extent is less vulnerable to anthropogenic climate change and is more dependent on ocean-atmosphere circulation variability (5). Long-term projections predict a 34% loss in winter (February) sea ice extent for the Arctic as a whole by CE 2081–2100 using Coupled Model Intercomparison Project 5 (CMIP5) projections under representative concentration pathway (RCP) 8.5 (6). However, Bering Sea winter sea ice extent in CE 2018 and CE 2019 was 60 to 70% lower than the previous mean spring (February, March, April, and May) extent from CE 1979 to CE 2017 (1), suggesting that Bering Sea winter sea ice is diminishing more rapidly than models predict. The decline in these years was attributed to anomalous southerly atmospheric flow that also increased near-bottom water temperatures (7). How this recent warming and sea ice loss in the Bering Sea fits into the long-term context of climate change remains unresolved because of spatial gaps and low temporal resolution of regional paleoclimate and paleo-sea ice records. This is due in part to depositional limitations on the shallow Bering Shelf that underlies much of the Bering Sea, which has been more prone to erosion and low, irregular sediment accumulation during the Holocene. The radiative forcing from increasing anthropogenic CO₂ concentrations has led to the rapid retreat of perennial summer sea ice in the Arctic Ocean basin today over the last several decades (2), reversing late Holocene cooling trends. However, rising atmospheric CO₂ [~10 parts per million (ppm)] and other greenhouse gases, during the mid to Late Holocene [~6 thousand years (ka) ago to preindustrial present], coincided with cooling temperatures (8) and expanded sea ice (9) in the Arctic Ocean, suggesting that the region's

sea ice is more strongly forced by decreasing summer insolation (~25 W m⁻²) through ice-albedo feedbacks than the relatively small changes in preindustrial CO₂ (~1 W m⁻²) (10). More broadly, a global proxy compilation of Holocene temperatures suggests that global cooling has occurred since the mid-Holocene (11), contrasting with warming recorded in Earth system models due to the radiative forcing of rising greenhouse gases in the atmosphere (12), suggesting that proxy reconstructions are regionally or seasonally biased. This mismatch in the proxy data and model results, referred to as the Holocene

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Jones, et al. (2020). High sensitivity of Bering Sea winter sea ice to winter insolation and carbon dioxide over the last 5500 years. *Science Advances*, 6(36), 1–10. <https://doi.org/10.1126/sciadv.aaz9588>

- 2018 Bering Sea winter ice extent is **lowest in 5,500 yr record**
- Bering Sea ice extent lags atmospheric carbon concentrations **by ~2 decades**
- Moderate to high global carbon mitigation preserves some winter EBS sea ice



<https://www.noaa.gov/stories/unprecedented-2018-bering-sea-ice-loss-repeated-in-2019>



In Alaska climate change has already caused: Fishery impacts



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“Nationwide, 84.5% of fishery disasters were either partially or entirely attributed to extreme environmental events.”

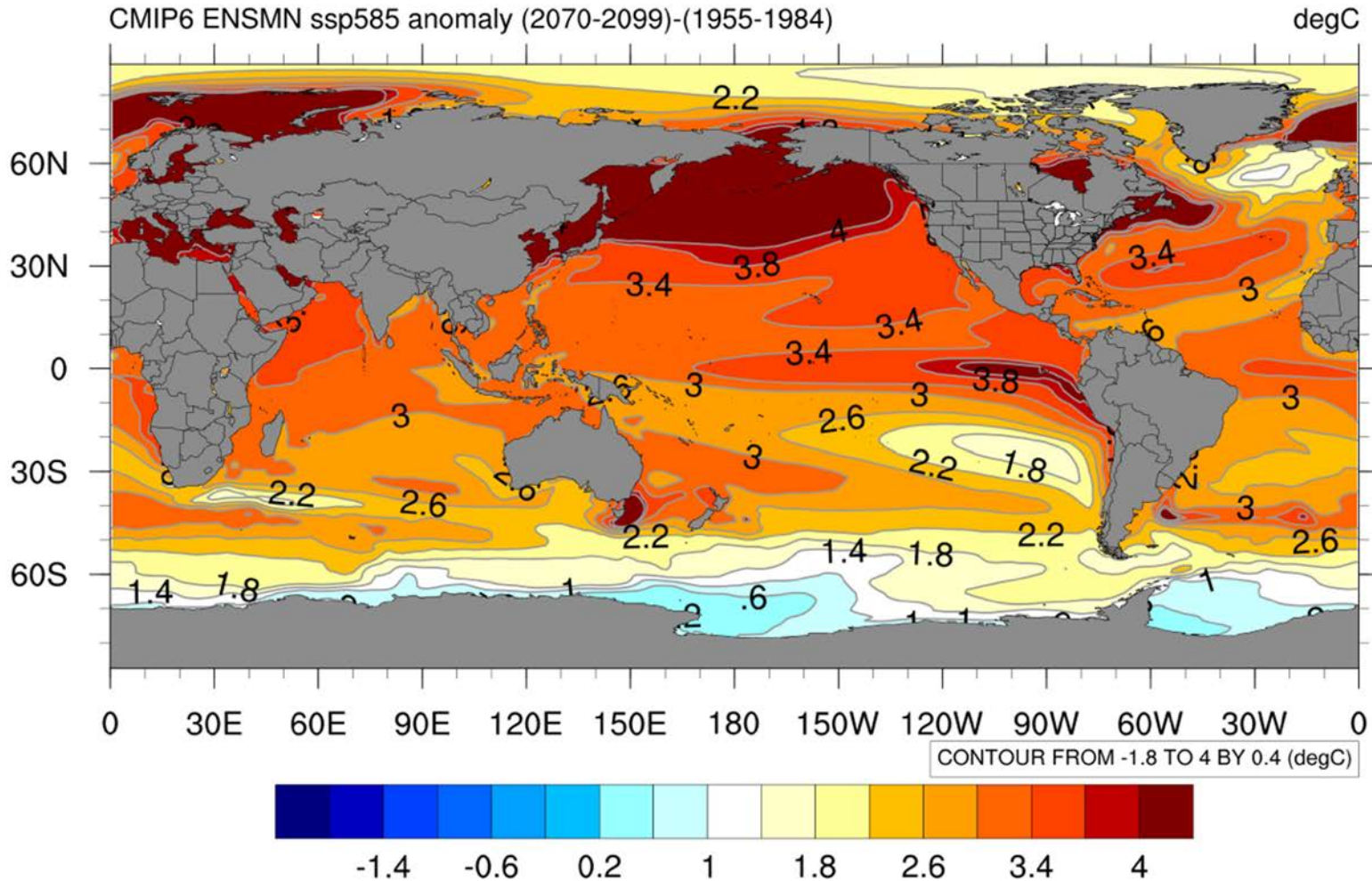
Table 2 Total U.S. Congressional fishery disaster assistance (2019 USD) by cause and by federal fisheries management region. One additional disaster had an allocation amount that was not reported, but the request letter cited economic impacts of \$53.8-94.2M. Anthropogenic causes include pollution and overfishing; environmental causes include marine heatwaves, harmful algal blooms, hurricanes, extreme drought, etc.; and a combination includes both anthropogenic and environmental causes. Examples of fisheries being impacted by a combination of causes can be found in some Pacific northwest salmon fishery disasters, which were caused by low returns that resulted from marine heatwaves, drought, disease, habitat impacts, mismanagement, and overfishing.

Cause	Alaska	Greater Atlantic	Pacific Islands	Southeast	West Coast	To be determined	Total
Anthropogenic	\$82,000,000	\$132,996,669		\$30,940,000	\$7,600,000		\$253,536,669
Environmental	\$174,292,189	\$41,572,622	\$1,140,000	\$505,938,343	\$170,723,211		\$893,666,365
Combination of Both	\$75,588,349	\$36,600,000		\$37,098,200	\$281,802,589		\$431,089,138
To be determined						\$414,103,069	\$414,103,069
Total	\$331,880,538	\$211,169,291	\$1,140,000	\$573,976,543	\$460,125,800	\$414,103,069	\$1,992,395,241

Bellquist et al. 2021. The rise in climate change-induced federal fishery disasters in the United States. <https://peerj.com/articles/11186/>



Climate change is expected to continue to impact AK Ecosystems & Fisheries



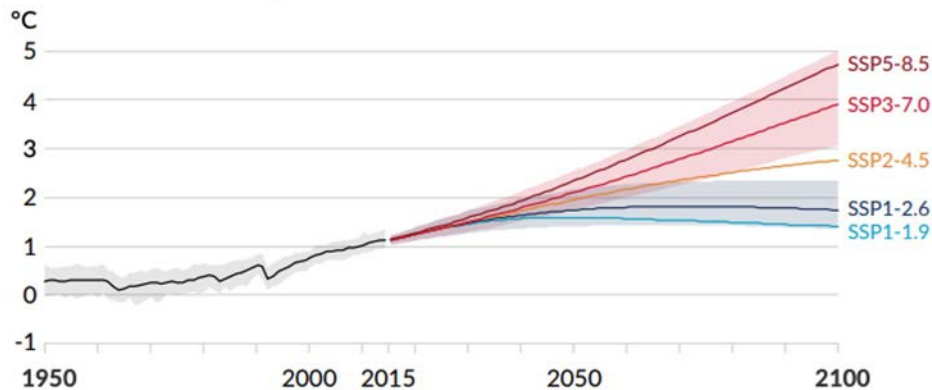
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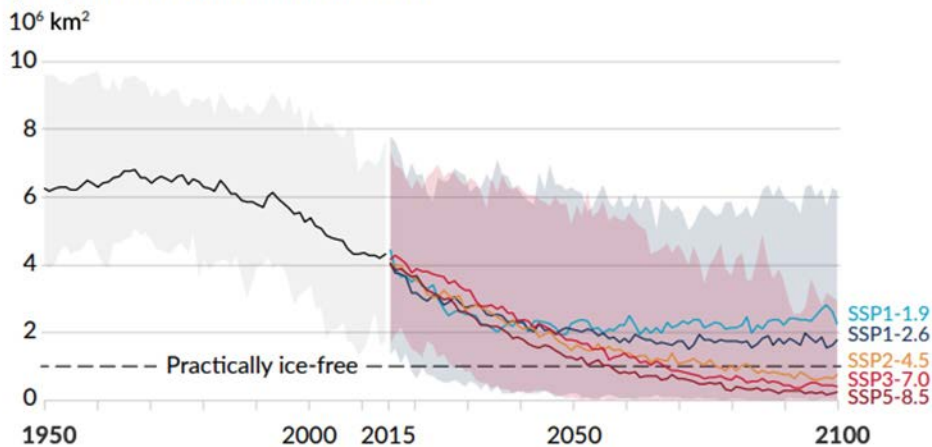


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b) September Arctic sea ice area



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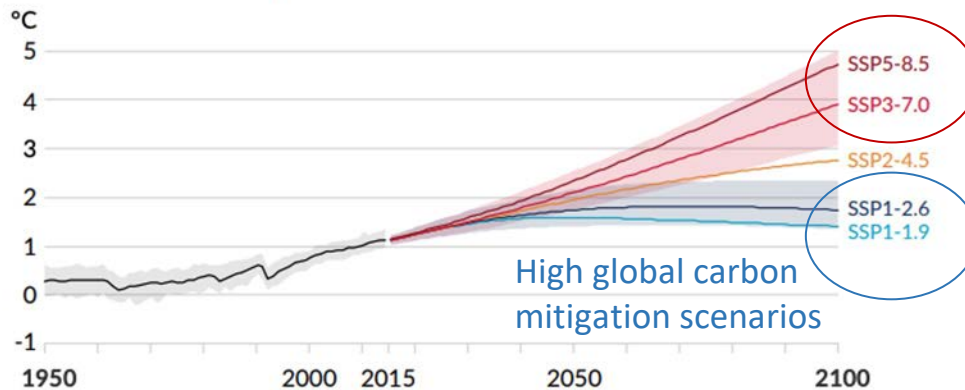
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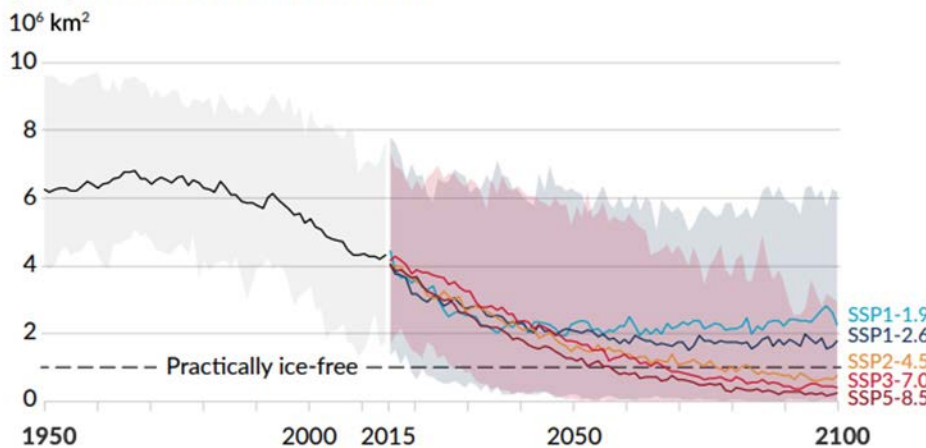
Low carbon mitigation scenarios

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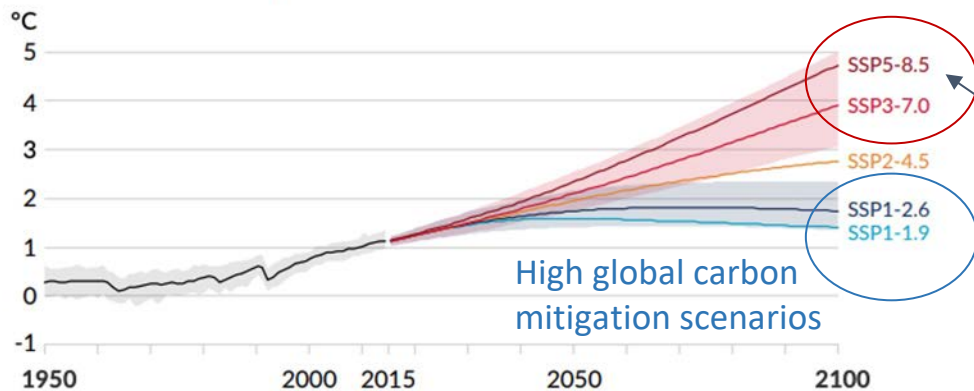


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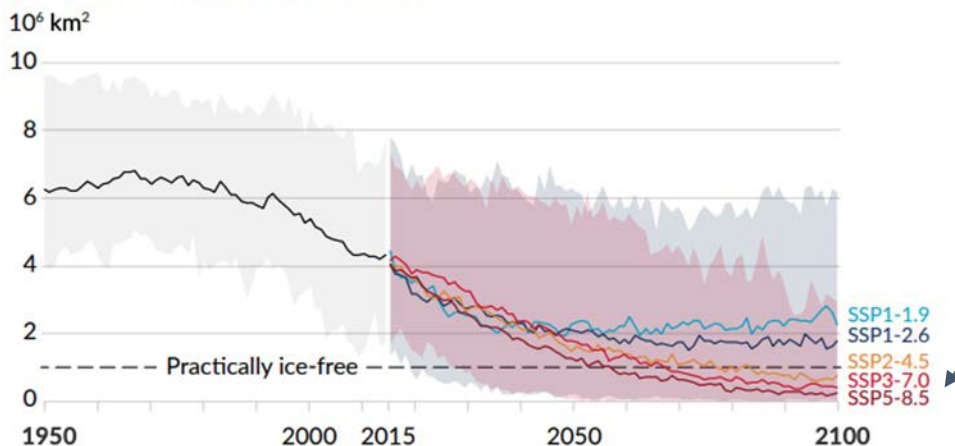
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Low carbon mitigation scenarios

Warming will continue and is greater in scenarios with low carbon mitigation

b) September Arctic sea ice area



Sea Ice will continue to decline, more so under scenarios with high global warming and low carbon mitigation

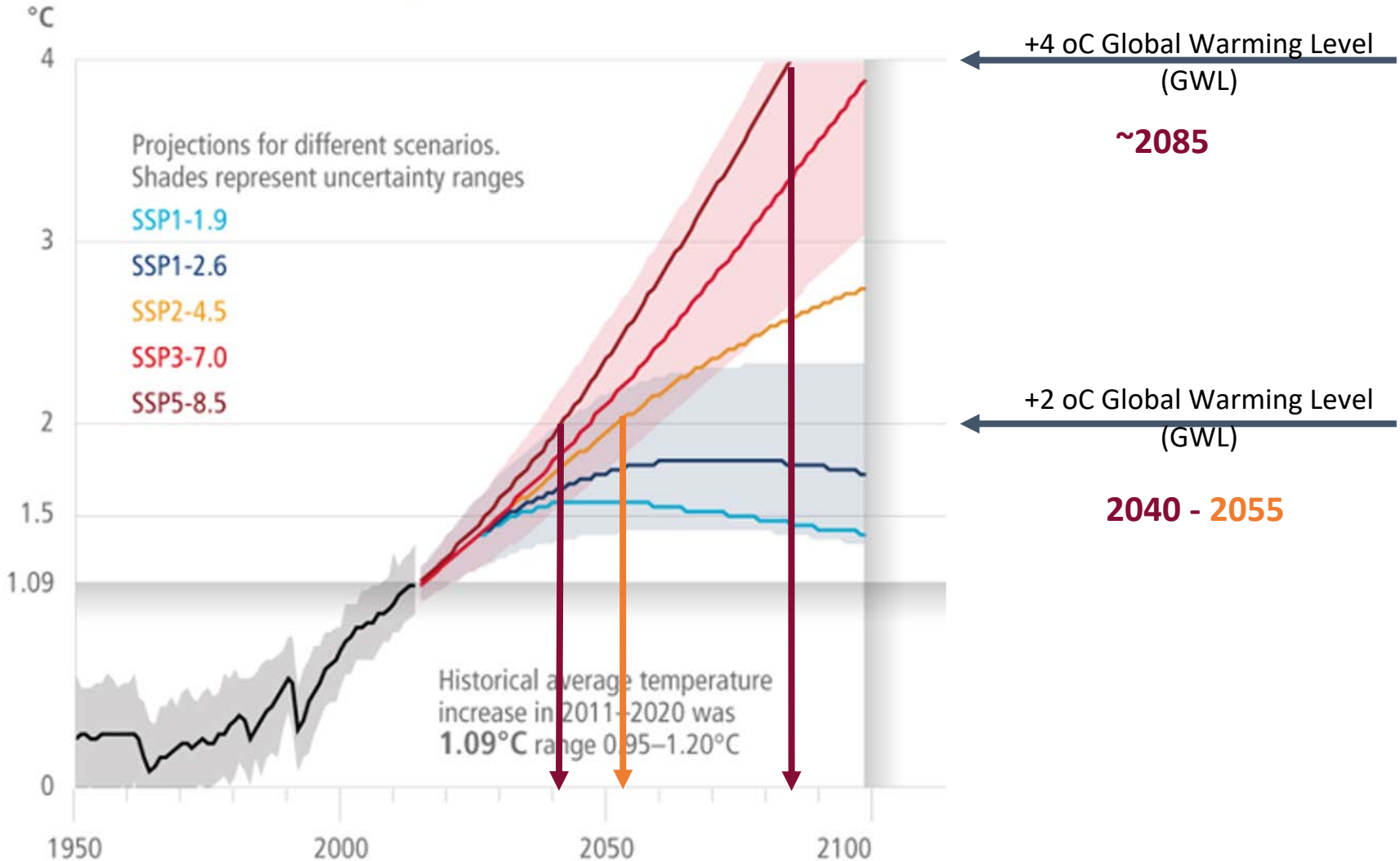
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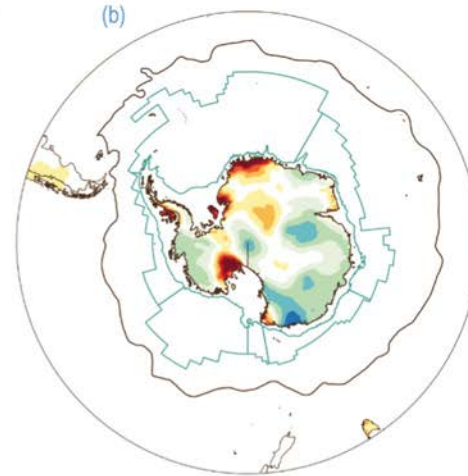
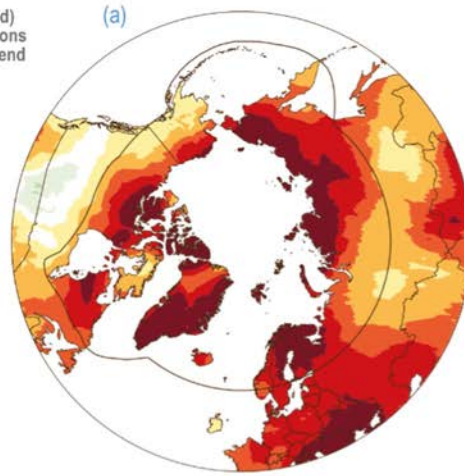
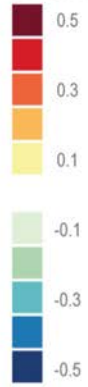
Climate change will increasingly impact polar regions

(a) Global surface temperature change
Increase relative to the period 1850–1900

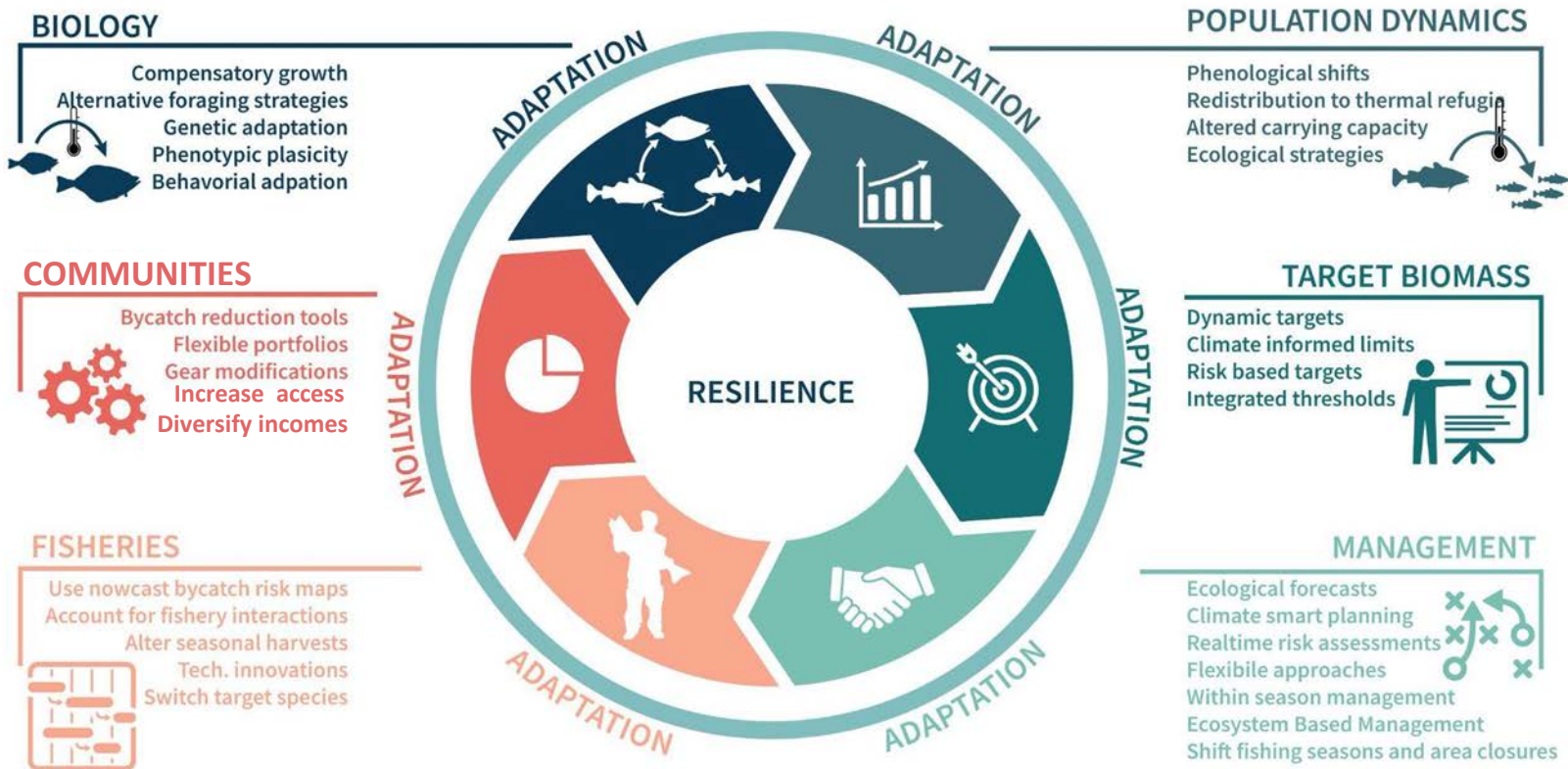


Observed and projected climate changes across the Arctic and Antarctic

W5E5 (ERA5 adjusted)
1980–2015 observations
mean temperature trend
(°C decade⁻¹)



What can be done? Prediction, Planning, Preparing



Holsman et al. (in prep)

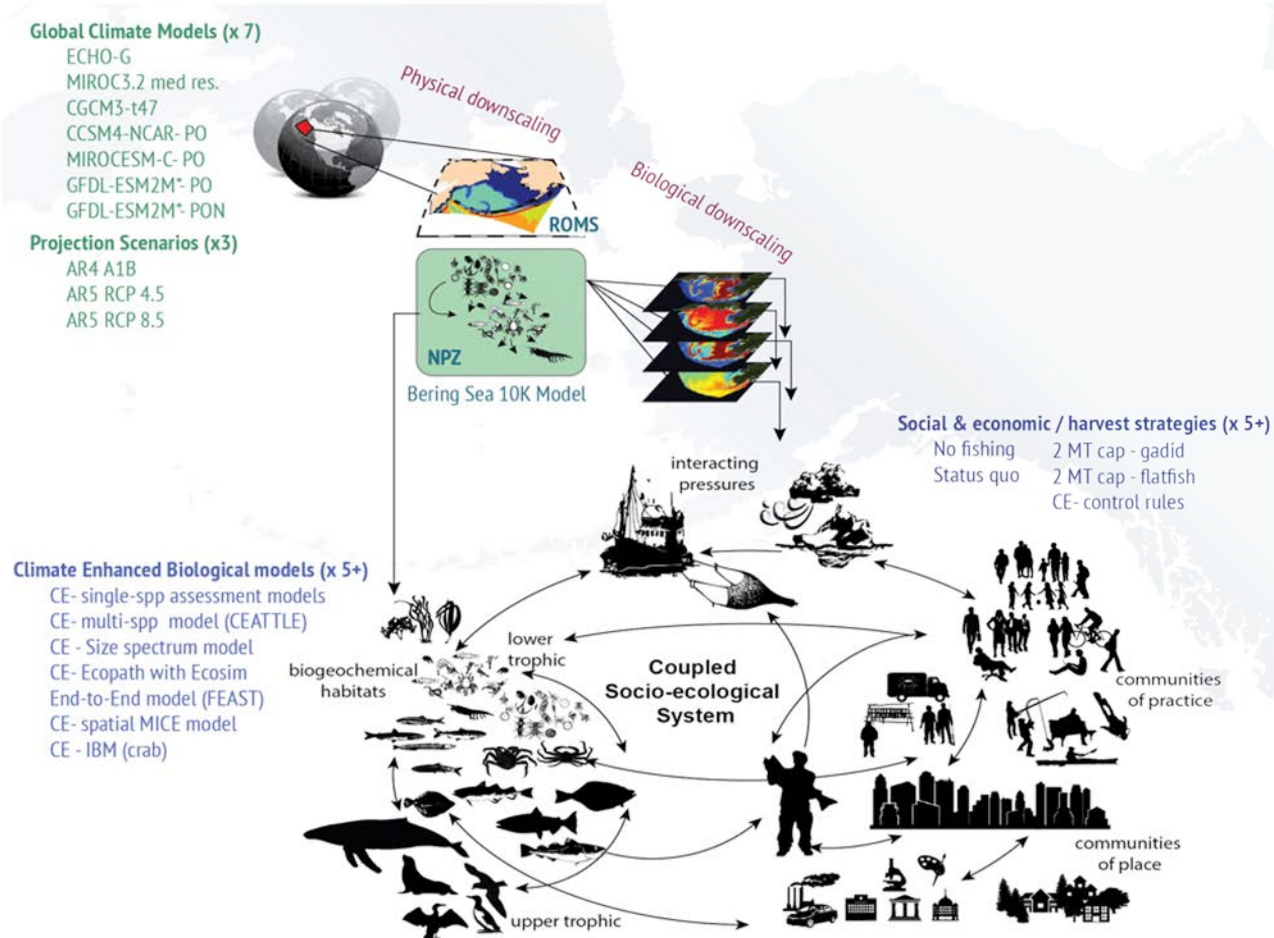
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Hollowed et al. 2020. *Frontiers in Mar. Sci.* doi: 10.3389/fmars.2019.00775

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ACLIM aims to address:

- **What to expect?**
Project physical and ecological conditions under levels of climate change (levels of global carbon mitigation)
- **What can be done?**
Evaluate effectiveness of adaptation actions including those supported by fisheries management

Provide tools and approaches to support climate informed management decisions



Supporting climate-resilient fisheries through understanding climate change impacts and adaptation responses

May 2021

DRAFT Climate Change Task Force work plan
of the Bering Sea Fishery Ecosystem Plan

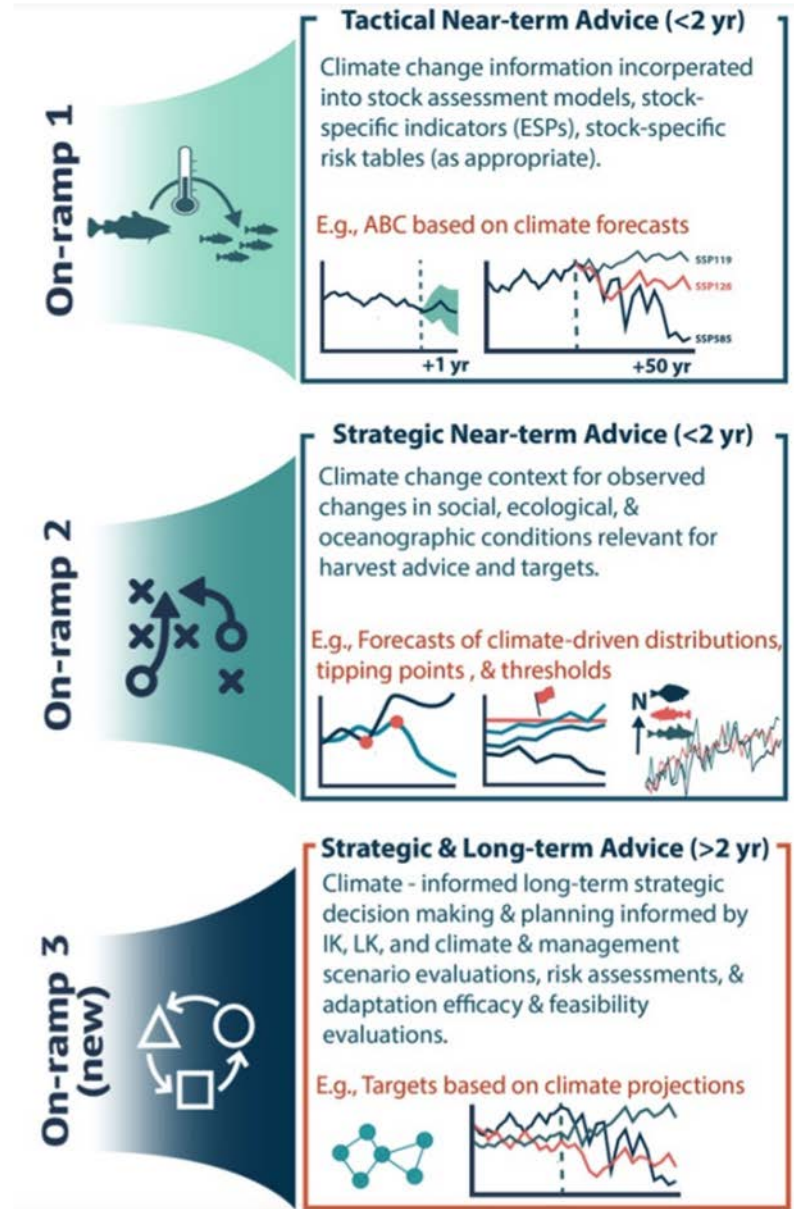
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<https://www.npfmc.org/climatechangetaskforce/>
Stram et al. 2021

Climate information on ramps for fisheries management



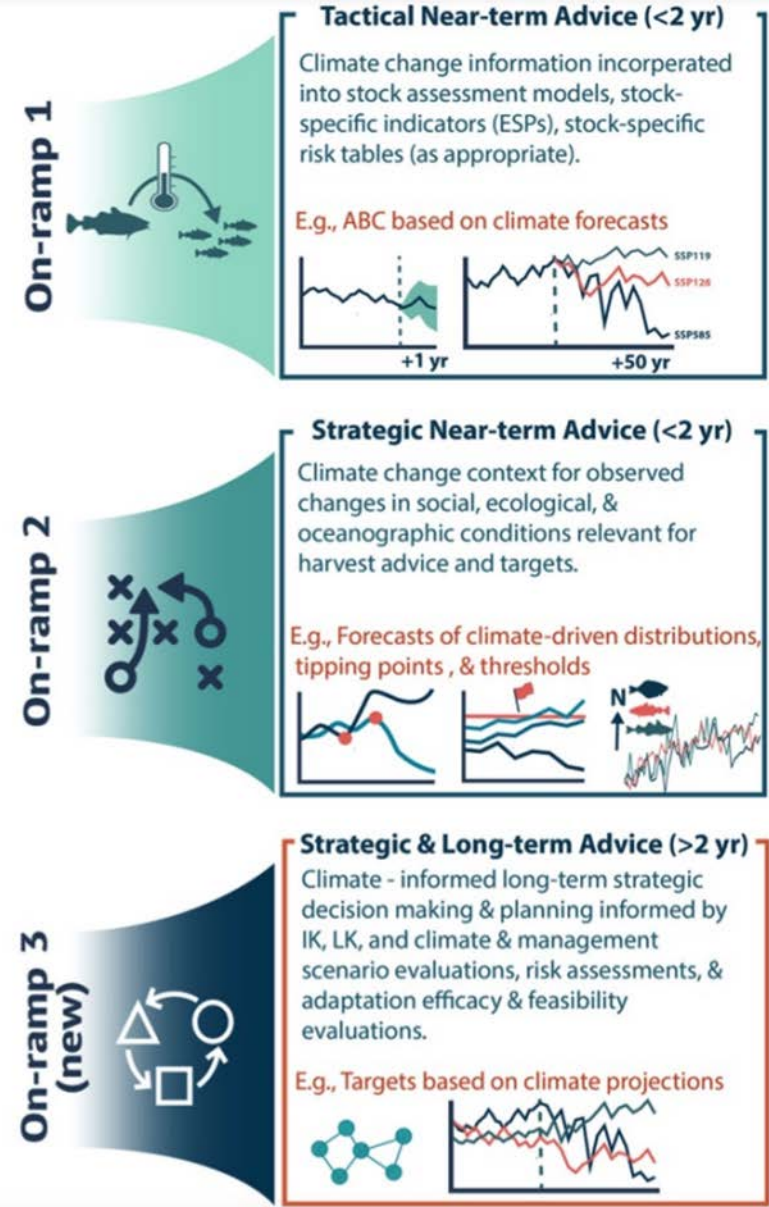
Provide tools and approaches to support climate informed management decisions

Climate informed annual* stock assessments & advice

Climate information in near-term management targets

Climate information in long-term management targets and design

Climate information on ramps for fisheries management



Bering Sea Oceanographic Projections





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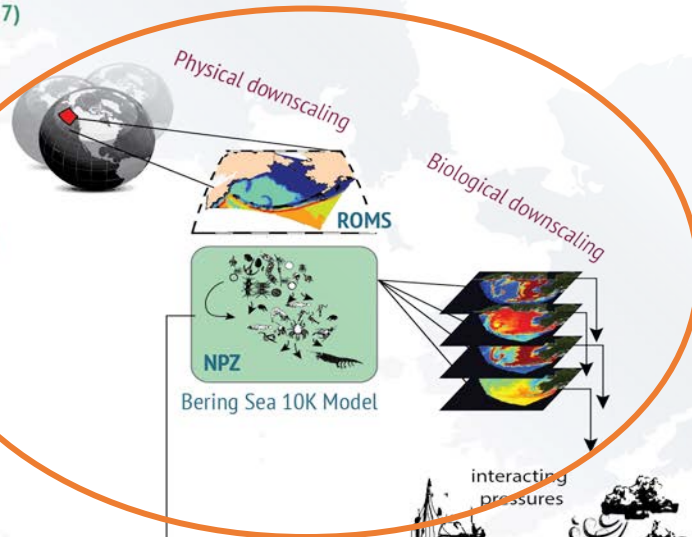
High resolution realistic ocean projections under climate scenarios

Global Climate Models (x 7)

- ECHO-G
- MIROC3.2 med res.
- CGCM3-t47
- CCSM4-NCAR-PO
- MIROCESM-C-PO
- GFDL-ESM2M-PO
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Projection Scenarios (x3)

- AR4 A1B
- AR5 RCP 4.5
- AR5 RCP 8.5



Alternative management models

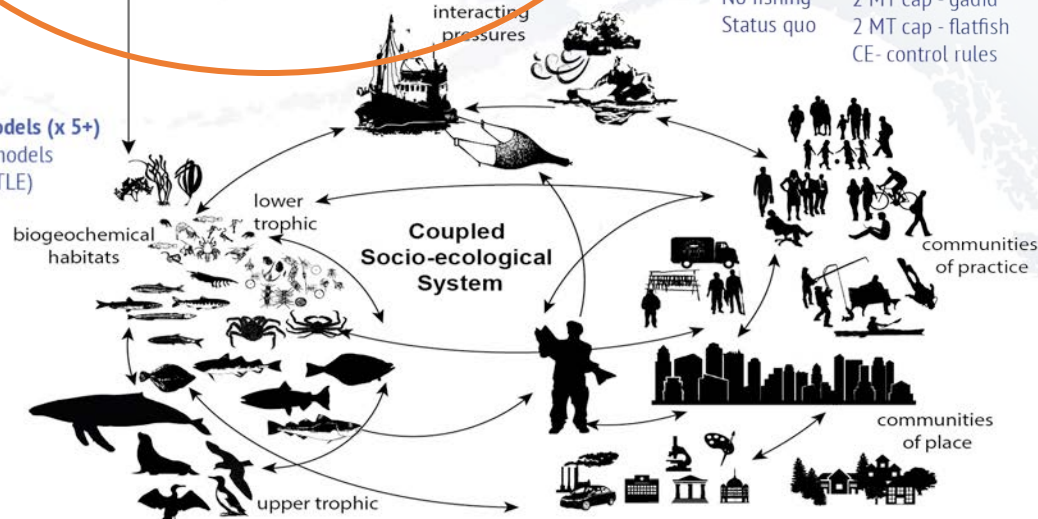
Social & economic / harvest strategies (x 5+)

- No fishing
- Status quo
- 2 MT cap - gadid
- 2 MT cap - flatfish
- CE- control rules

Climate Enhanced Biological models (x 5+)

- CE- single-spp assessment models
- CE- multi-spp model (CEATTLE)
- CE- Size spectrum model
- CE- Ecosim with Ecosim
- End-to-End model (FEAST)
- CE- spatial MICE model
- CE- IBM (crab)

Climate driven changes to species & food-webs



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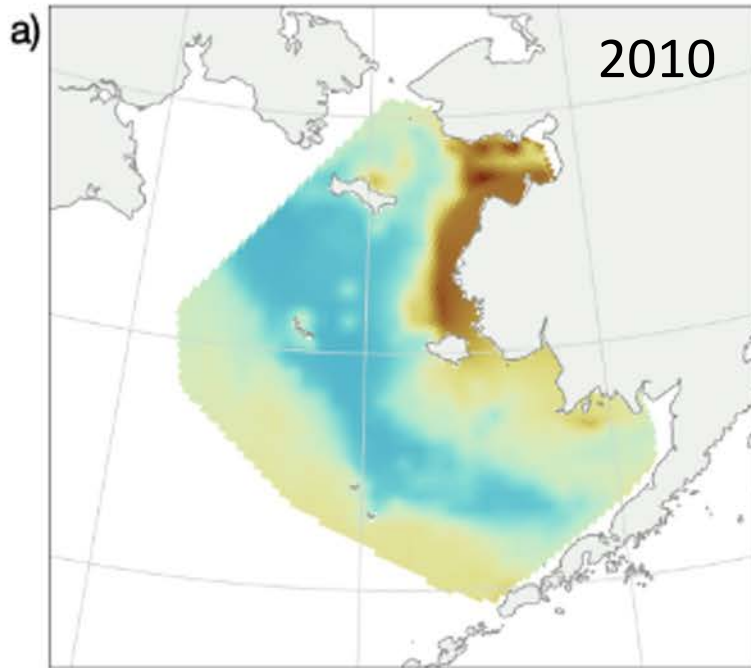
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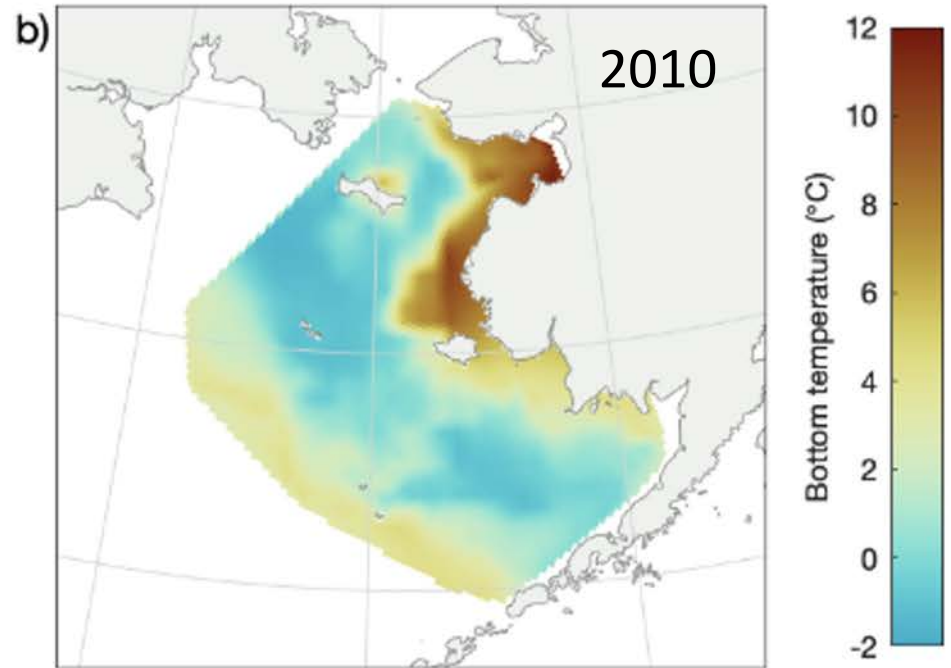
High-res model reproduces the Bering Sea environment



Observed (survey data)



Model (Bering10K ROMSNPZ)



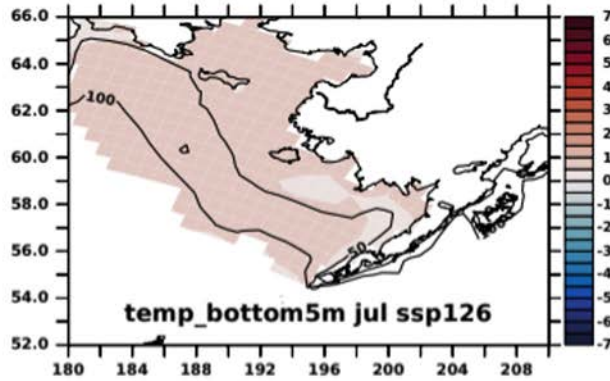
Kearney K (2021). Temperature data from the eastern Bering Sea continental shelf bottom trawl survey as used for hydrodynamic model validation and comparison. U.S. Dep. Commer., NOAA Tech. Memo. NMFS-AFSC-415, 40 p. [link](#).



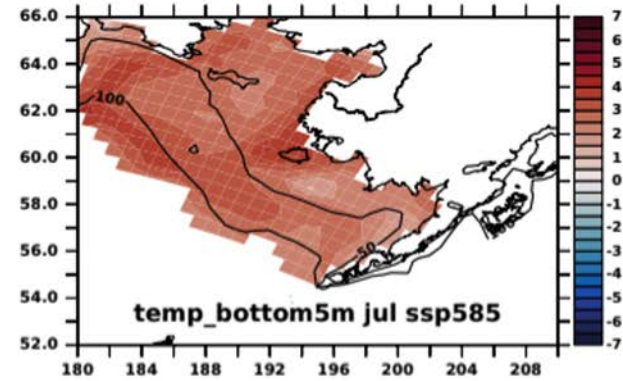
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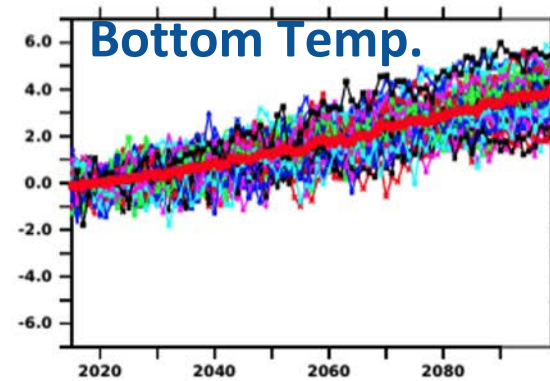
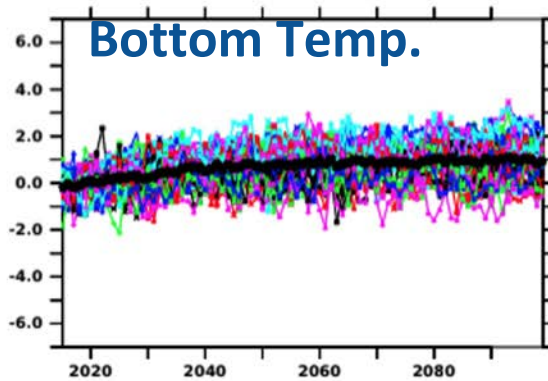
Increased warming expected



SSP126: High mitigation/ less warming
more warming



SSP585: Low mitigation/
more warming



Hermann, et al. (in press)

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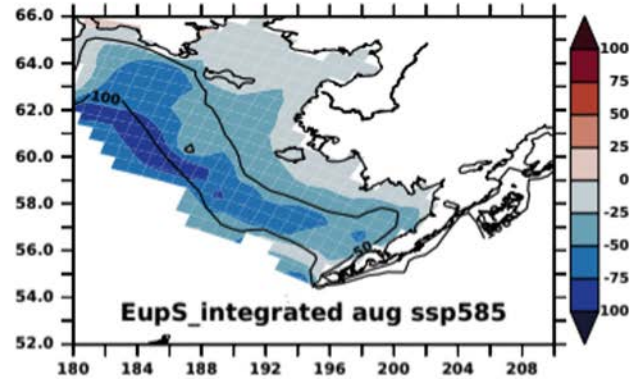
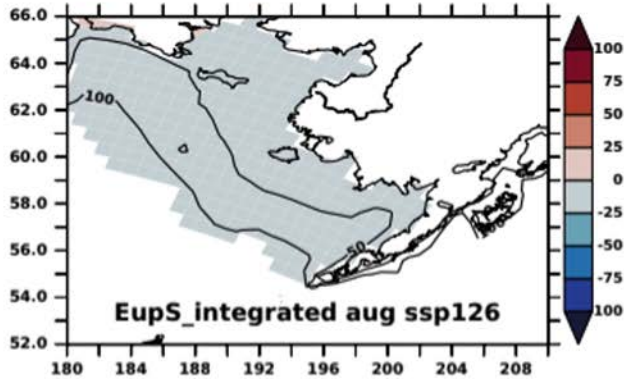
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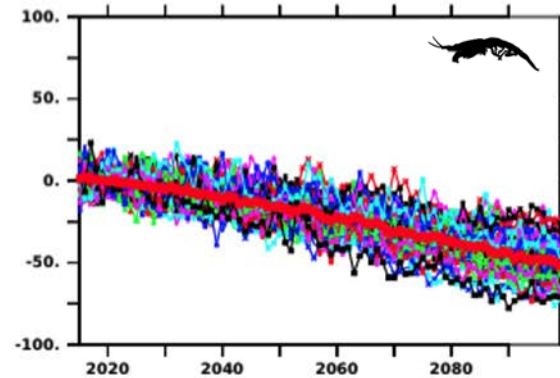
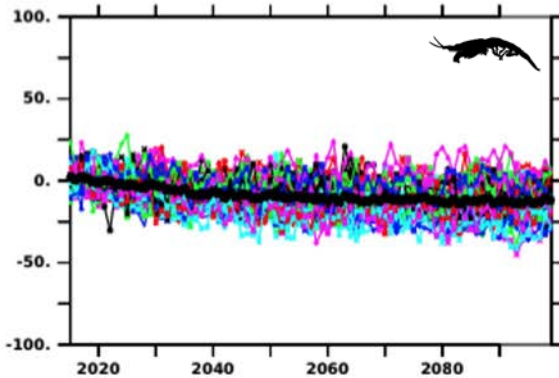


Euphausiid biomass



SSP126: High mitigation/ less warming
more warming

SSP585: Low mitigation/
more warming



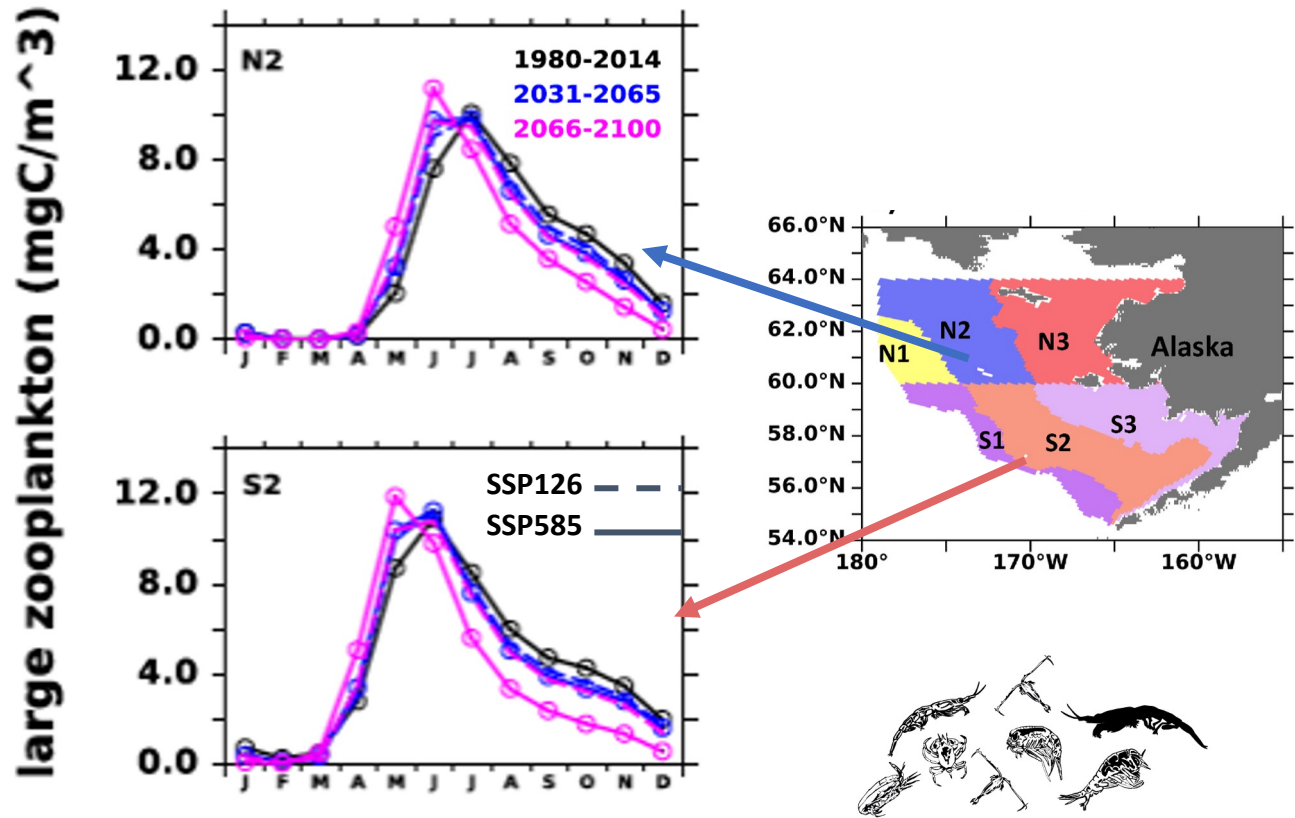
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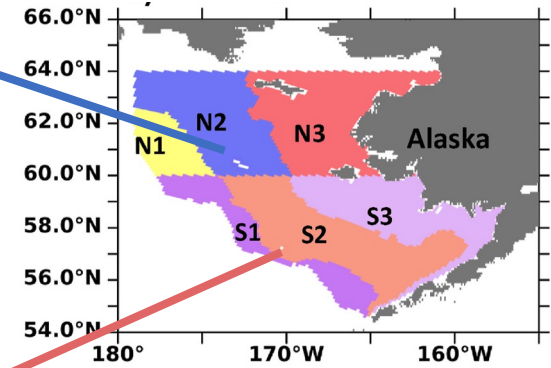
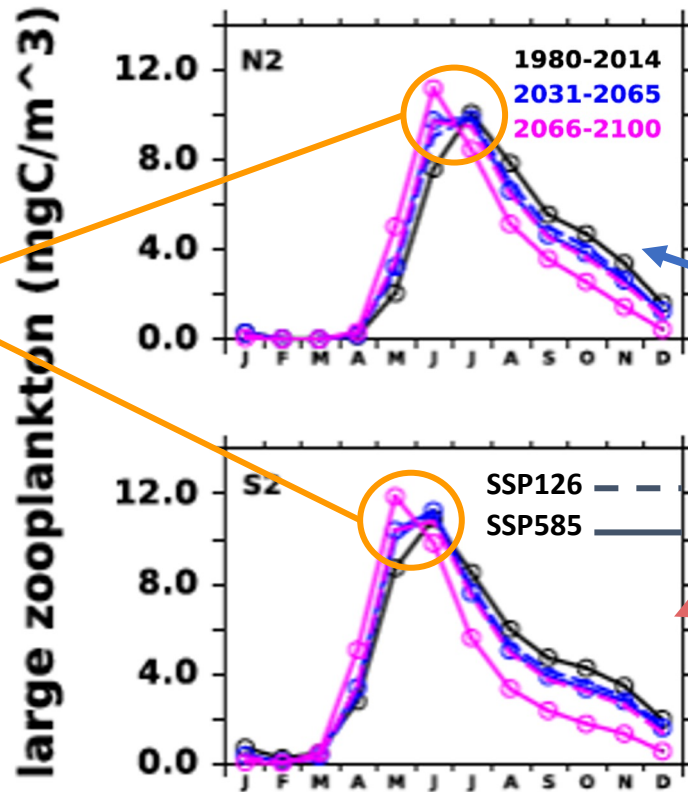
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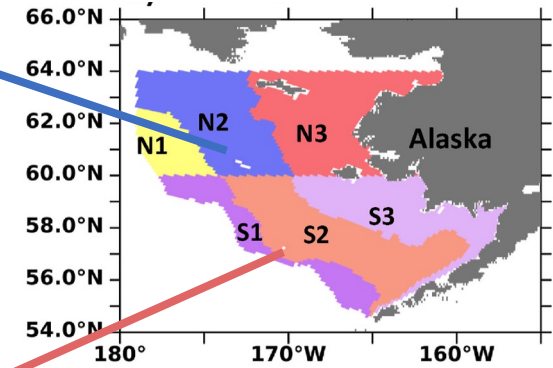
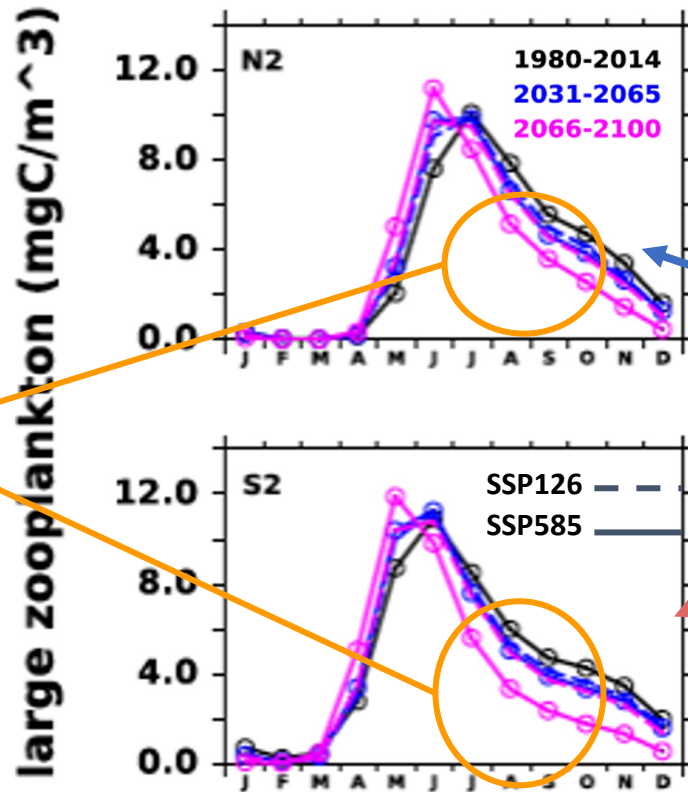
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Learn More: BERING10K Data & Info portals



Learn More:

<https://beringnpz.github.io/roms-bering-sea/B10K-dataset-docs/>

Explore the Data:

<https://github.com/kholsman/ACLIM2>

roms-bering-sea Posts About Literature

The Bering10K dataset

3 minute read

Numerous Bering 10K ROMS model simulations have been run to date, including hindcasts of the past few decades, long-term forecasts under CMIP5 and CMIP6 emissions scenarios, and seasonal retrospective forecasts. Data and metadata related to these simulations are held in a number of locations. This page serves as a centralized hub for this data and metadata.

The model

Model source code is available on GitHub: [beringnpz/roms-bering-sea](https://github.com/beringnpz/roms-bering-sea)

The documentation

A few guides for working with the Bering10K output dataset can be found

- [The Bering10K Dataset documentation](#): A pdf describing the dataset, including:

Getting Started with Bering10K Level 2 & 3 indices

K. Holsman and K. Aydin (Tutorial), A. Hermann, K. Kearney, W. Cheng, I. Ortiz (Bering10K)

The ACLIM Repository github.com/kholsman/ACLIM2 is maintained by Kirstin Holsman, Alaska Fisheries Science Center, NOAA Fisheries, Seattle WA. Multiple programs and projects have supported the production and sharing of the suite of Bering10K hindcasts and projections. Last updated: Mar 10, 2021

1. Overview

This repository contains R code and Rdata files for working with netcdf-format data generated from the [downscaled ROMSNPZ modeling](#) of the ROMSNPZ Bering Sea Ocean Modeling team; Drs. Hermann, Cheng, Kearney, Pilcher, Ortiz, and Aydin. The code and R resources described in this tutorial are publicly available through the [ACLIM2 github repository](#) maintained by [Kirstin Holsman](#) as part of NOAA's [ACLIM project](#) for the Bering Sea. See [Hollowed et al. 2020](#) for more information about the ACLIM project.

1.1. Resources

We strongly recommend reviewing the following documentation before using the data in order to understand the origin of the indices and their present level of skill and validation, which varies considerably across indices and in space and time:

- [The Bering10K Dataset documentation \(pdf\)](#): A pdf describing the dataset, including full model descriptions, inputs for specific results, and a tutorial for working directly with the ROMS native grid (Level 1 outputs).
- [Bering10K Simulation Variables \(xlsx\)](#): A spreadsheet listing all simulations and the archived output variables associated with each, updated periodically as new simulations are run or new variables are made available.
- A collection of Bering10K ROMSNPZ model documentation (including the above files) is maintained by [Kelly Kearney](#) and will be regularly updated with new documentation and publications.



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Climate + Biological + Management Modeling



The Alaska Climate Integrated Modeling Project



High resolution realistic ocean projections under climate scenarios

Global Climate Models (x 7)

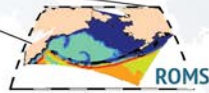
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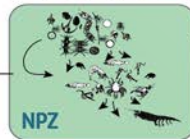
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Physical downscaling



Biological downscaling



Bering Sea 10K Model

Alternative management models

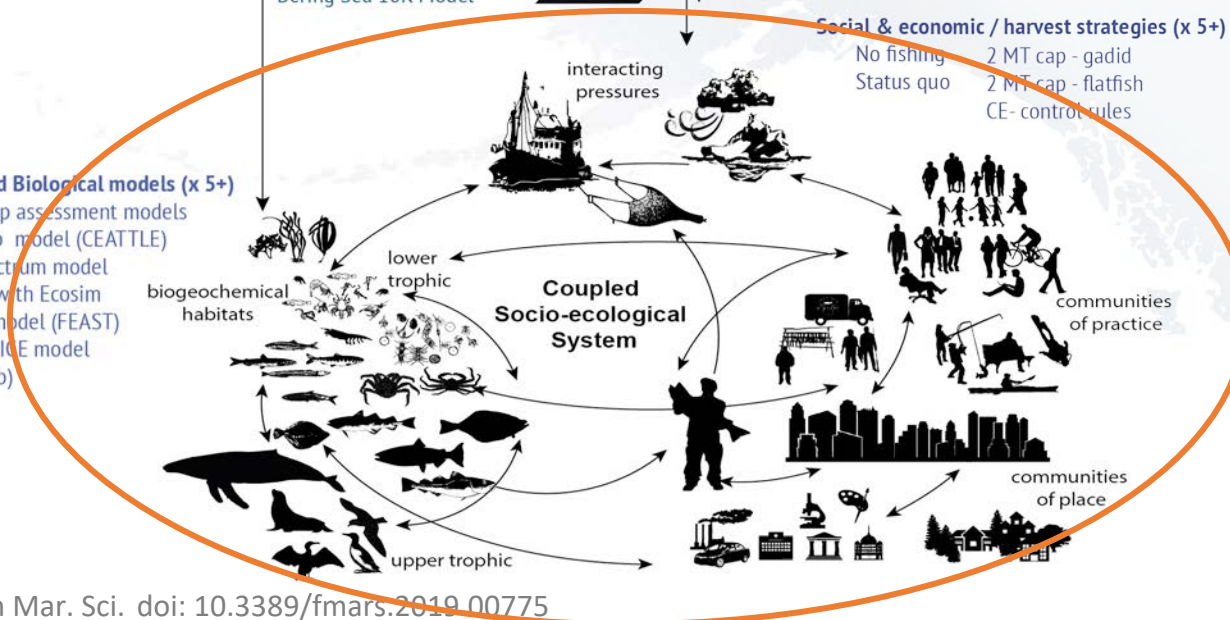
Social & economic / harvest strategies (x 5+)

- No fishing
- Status quo
- 2 MT cap - gadid
- 2 MT cap - flatfish
- CE- control rules

Climate Enhanced Biological models (x 5+)

- CE- single-spp assessment models
- CE- multi-spp model (CEATTLE)
- CE- Size spectrum model
- CE- Ecosim with Ecosim
- End-to-End model (FEAST)
- CE- spatial MICE model
- CE- IBM (crab)

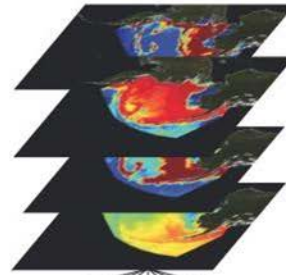
Climate driven changes to species & food-webs



Hollowed et al. 2020. *Frontiers in Mar. Sci.* doi: 10.3389/fmars.2019.00775



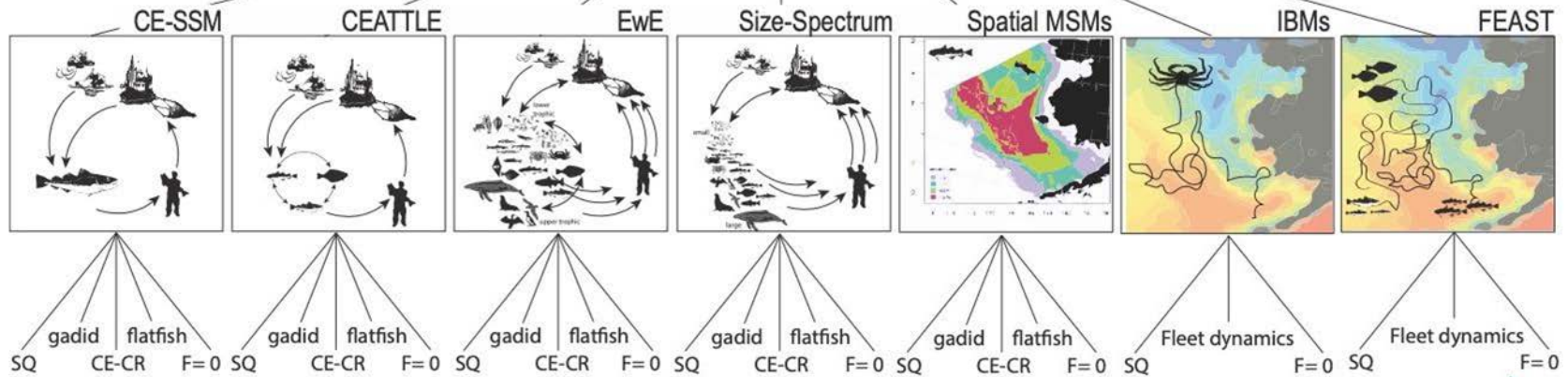
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Downscaled hindcast/projections:

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Bering Sea Models



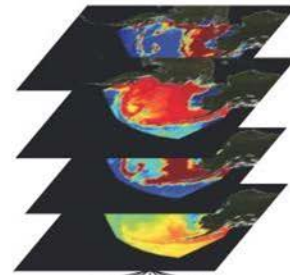
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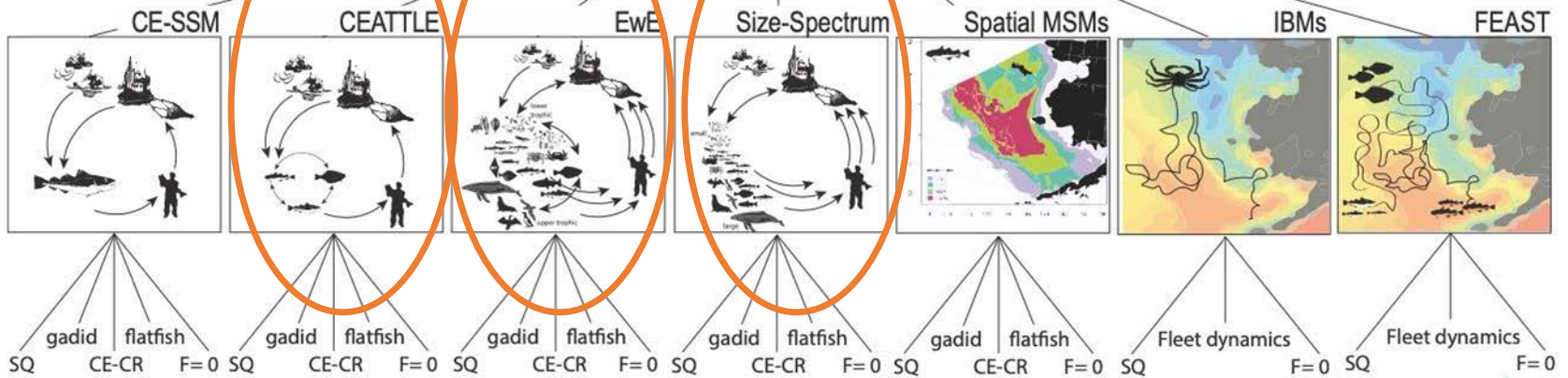
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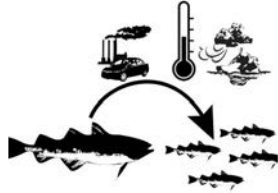
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Climate-effects
on food-webs



Sloping HCR



Multispecies effects
of 2 MT Cap



No fishing

X

No-cap

X

Status quo

X

X

X



ATTACH Model (Faig & Haynie 2020): <http://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.3966545>

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CEATTLE: Unfished biomass (no harvest)

Assumes climate effects on recruitment, growth, & mortality

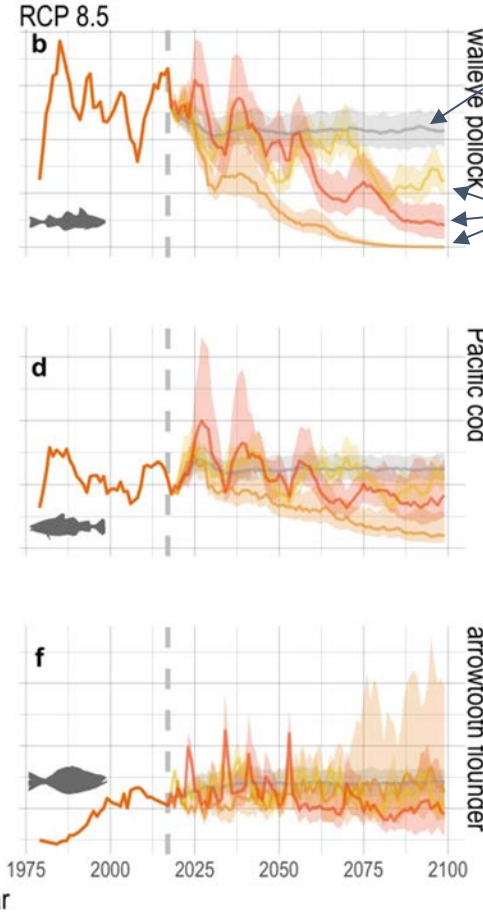
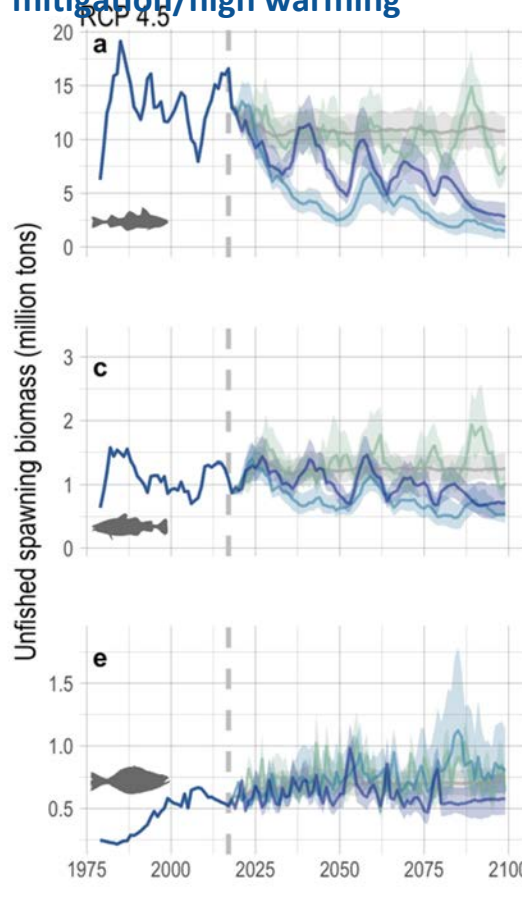


More warming =

- larger declines
- higher agreement of declines

moderate mitigation/warming
mitigation/high warming

low



No climate change

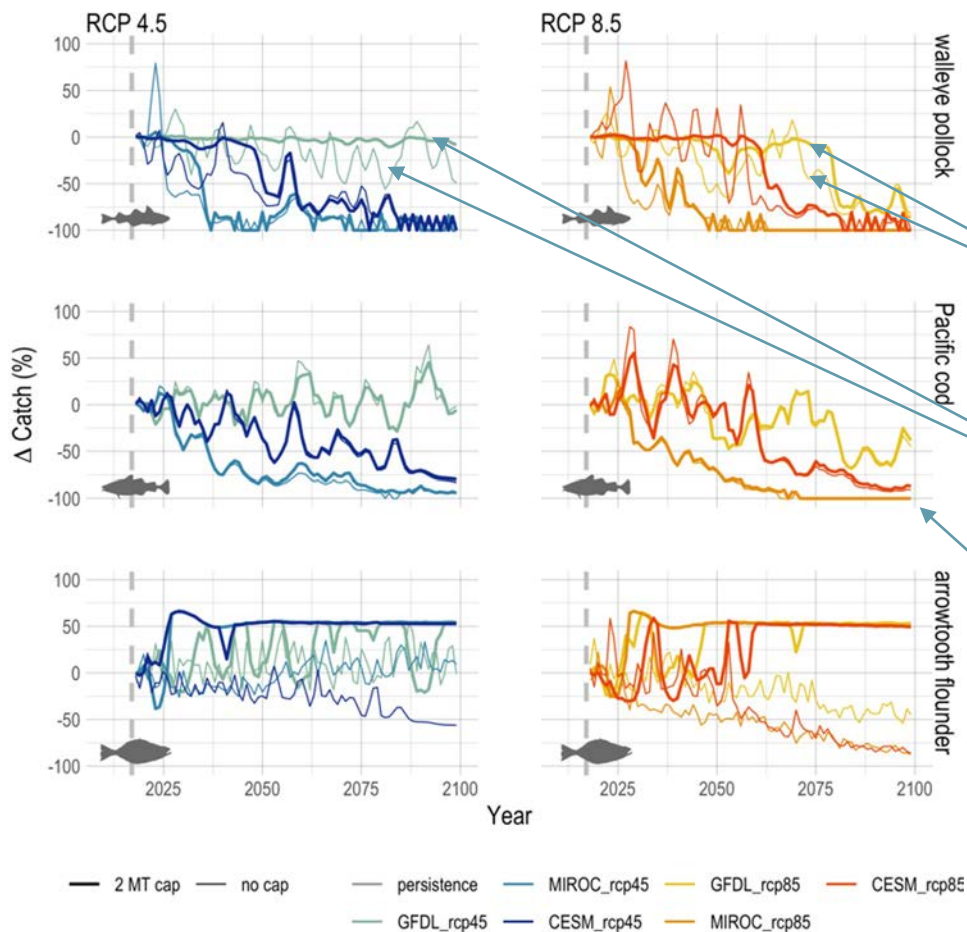
With climate change

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CEATTLE: EBFM vs non-EBFM cap

Assumes climate effects on recruitment, growth, & mortality



EBFM = lower risk of declines & collapse
 although risk increases over time & with warming

EBFM cap forestalled declines

EBFM cap stabilized catches

EBFM cap had little effect on P. cod

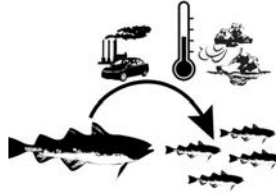
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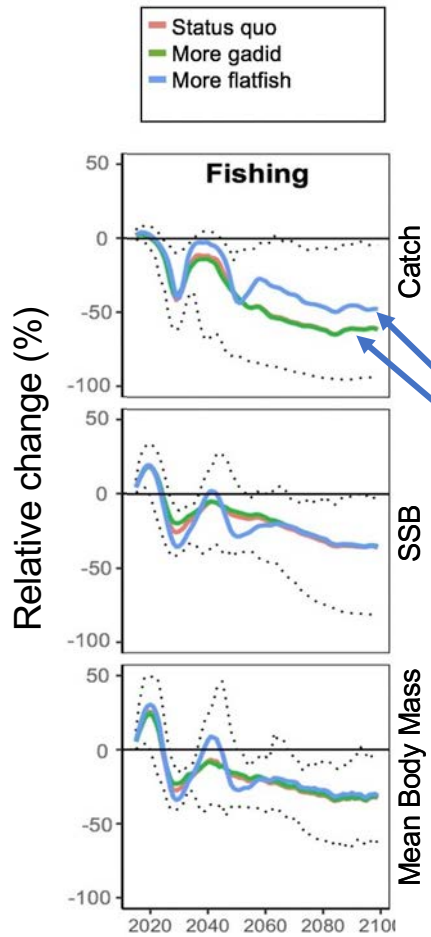
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Size-spectrum foodweb model (Reum et al. 2020)

Assumes food web dynamics are a function of size



Key Findings:

- Aggregate catch, SSB, and W decline with warming
- Species show mixed response
- Global carbon mitigation reduces declines
- Cumulative effects of Temperature on M and G are not additive
- Slight change in management flexibility can result in ~10% increase in catch over status quo

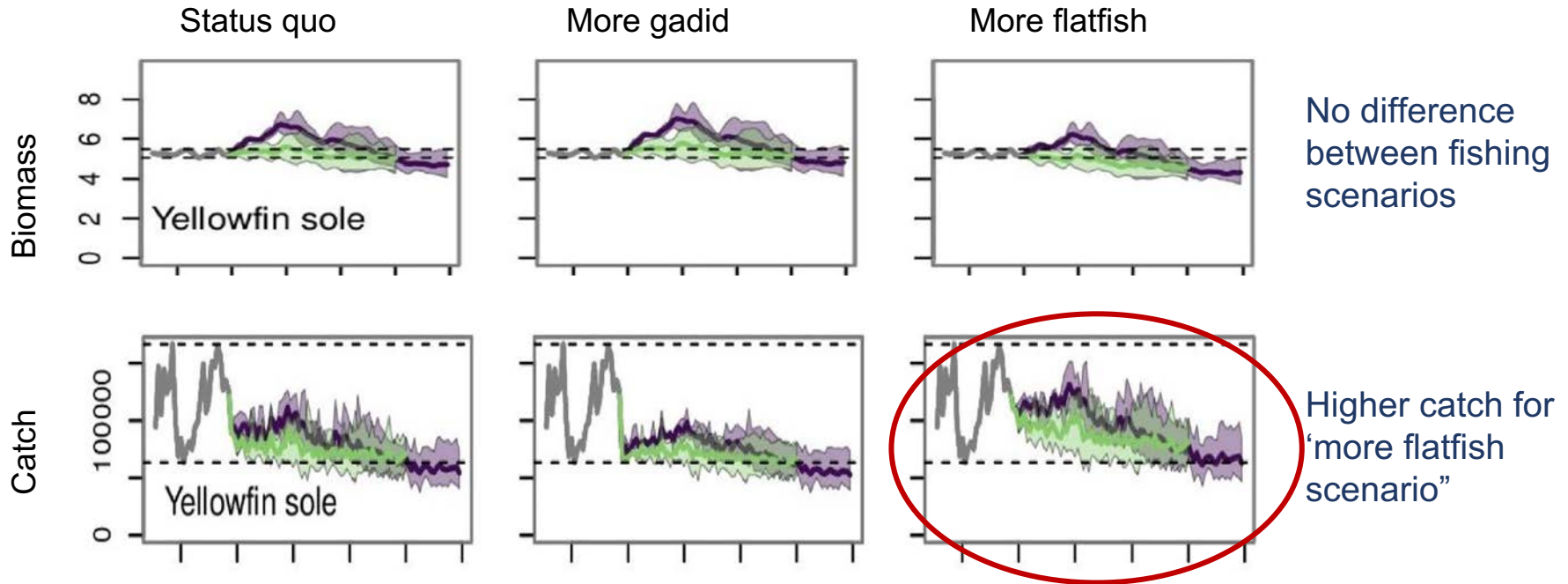
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YFS fishing scenarios



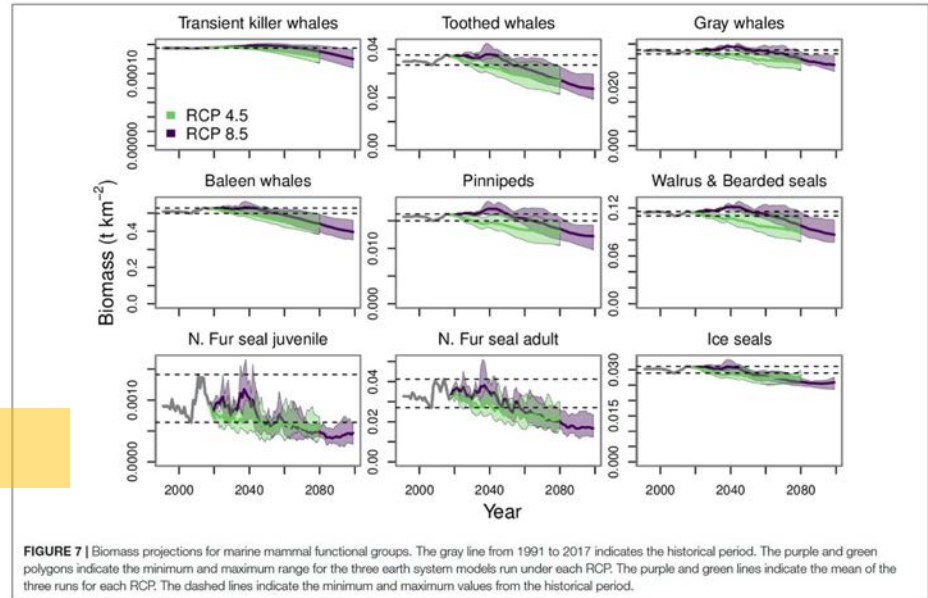
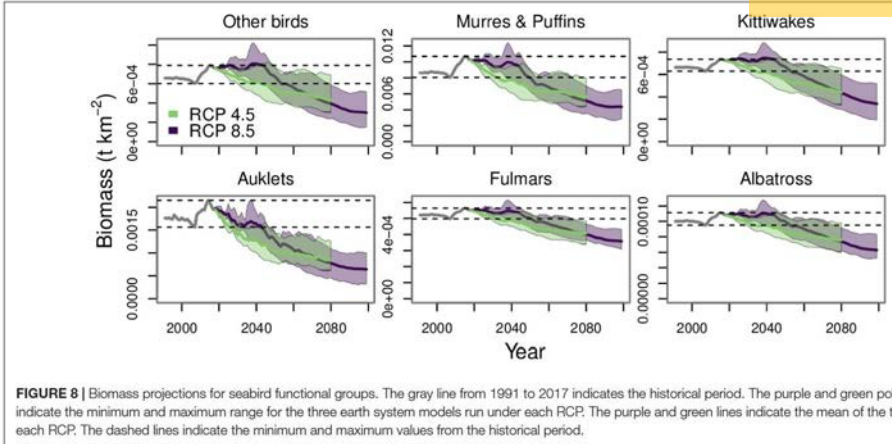
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General declines in seabirds



General declines in marine mammals

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What we found in ACLIM1.0

Downscaling is needed

Projections based on global climate models may underestimate future variance. Variability among GCMs is large so select multiple scenarios to downscale.

Multiple models of biological & socioeconomic dynamics are needed

Modeling ecological and social-economic response and adaptation is needed to understand tipping points in the system. Climate impacts are non-additive and dynamics of the social-ecological system may attenuate or amplify impacts. Multiple integrated models are needed to evaluate structural uncertainty.

Mitigation is lower risk

Climate induced changes in productivity caused large declines in fish and crab that are greatest in low mitigation scenarios. Most pollock and cod scenarios declined under business as usual (RCP8.5) by 2100; carbon mitigation (RCP 4.5) represents a lower risk scenario.

Adaptation through fisheries management

Changing harvest rates through management can help lessen climate impacts, to a point. EBFM can forestall climate declines and provide critical time to adapt.





ACLIM 2.0 Next Directions

EBS social-ecological system climate risk analysis

Expanded management scenarios

Co-production of knowledge, community workshops, and social network modeling

Spatial distribution models & NEBS

Expanded protected species analyses (marine mammals!)

Expanded Ocean Acidification (OA) and dissolved oxygen modeling

Expanded lower trophic and young of year modeling

GOA through Northern Bering ACLIM via GOA-CLIM

ACLIM 2 Spring Scenarios Climate X Management



Holsman et al. (in prep)



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4 'Dimensions' of ACLIM 2.0 Scenarios



1. Climate change scenarios

→ SSP585 vs SSP126

1. Climate enhanced stock assessment & ecosystem models (“biological models”)

2. Climate informed ABC and HCRs (“methods”) that impact harvest ‘Targets’ - the Vertical Axis of the NPSSPs

→ with and without “climate informed” (e.g., forecasts/projections)

1. Climate informed policy and planning - the Horizontal Axis of the NPSSPs

→ NEBS/SEBS, changes in fishery economics, bycatch, flexibility, emergency response

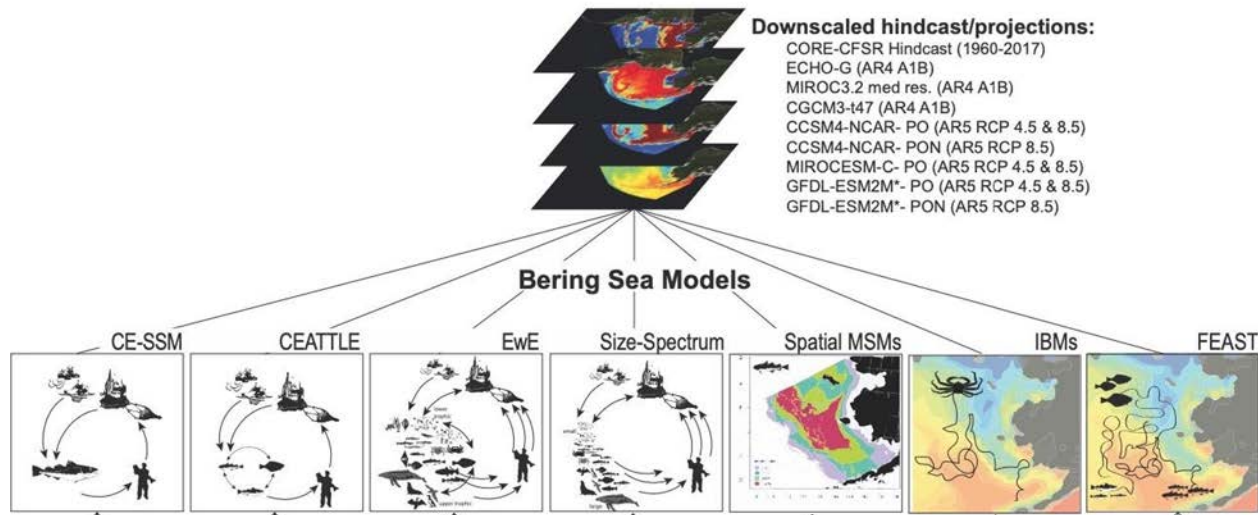


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Diverse socioeconomic models are being coupled with the integrated physical / biological models



ACLIM 2.0 uses economic / management models of different complexity to match the needs of biological models.

- Council TAC-setting
- Effort response to abundance
- Bycatch & price sensitivities
- Spatial models of fleets



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Part 4

Why ACLIM 2.0 Socioeconomic Scenarios?

- Provide a tractable number of potential management responses to projected climate change
- Evaluate how management strategies interact with environmental changes
 - Estimate the catch, environmental impacts, revenue, profit, and impacts on fishing communities under scenarios
- Are there management changes that would improve the projected future health and productivity of the North Pacific?

The Context for Tradeoffs: U.S. National Standards

- 1. Optimum Yield**
- 2. Scientific Information**
- 3. Management Units**
- 4. Allocations**
- 5. Efficiency**
- 6. Variations and Contingencies**
- 7. Costs and Benefits**
- 8. Communities**
- 9. Bycatch**
- 10. Safety of Life at Sea**

U.S. marine fisheries are scientifically monitored, regionally managed, and legally enforced under a number of requirements, including ten national standards.

The National Standards are principles that must be followed in any fishery management plan (FMP) to ensure sustainable and responsible fishery management.

As mandated by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, NOAA Fisheries has developed guidelines for each National Standard.

When reviewing FMPs, FMP amendments, and regulations, the Secretary of Commerce must ensure that they are consistent with the National Standard guidelines.

ACLIM 1.0 Four- Scenario Comparison

Based on Council input on the challenges of setting TACs under the 2 million ton cap, these 4 scenarios were used in analyses in ACLIM 1.0.

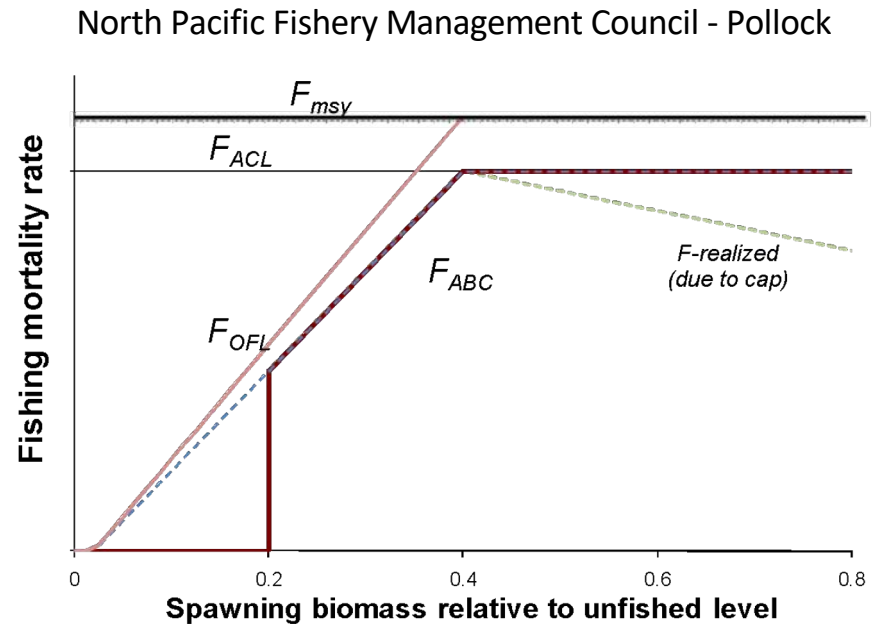
1. No Fishing
2. Current Ecosystem Management (Status Quo)
3. Increased Pollock-cod share of total allowable catch– max 10% increase under the cap
4. Increased Flatfish share of total allowable catch (Flatfish Dominated) – Lg. flatfish increase

In light of climate change, what are the trade-offs of different Harvest Control Rules (HCRs)?



- Boreal ecosystems are exposed to highly variable environmental conditions.
- Boreal species have adapted life history characteristics to sustain populations.
- Sustainable fisheries policies are designed to estimate the average production necessary to replace spawners over time. Assumes some fraction of the surplus production can be harvested sustainably.

If characteristics of emerging climate impacted ecosystem differ from those experienced in evolutionary time then knowledge of the range of reproductive potential of the population informs actions to sustain populations.



Punt et al. 2010



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ACLIM 2.0: General North Pacific Socio-Economic Pathways (NPSSPs)



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- Emissions scenarios / models
- Biological models
- Monitoring impacts
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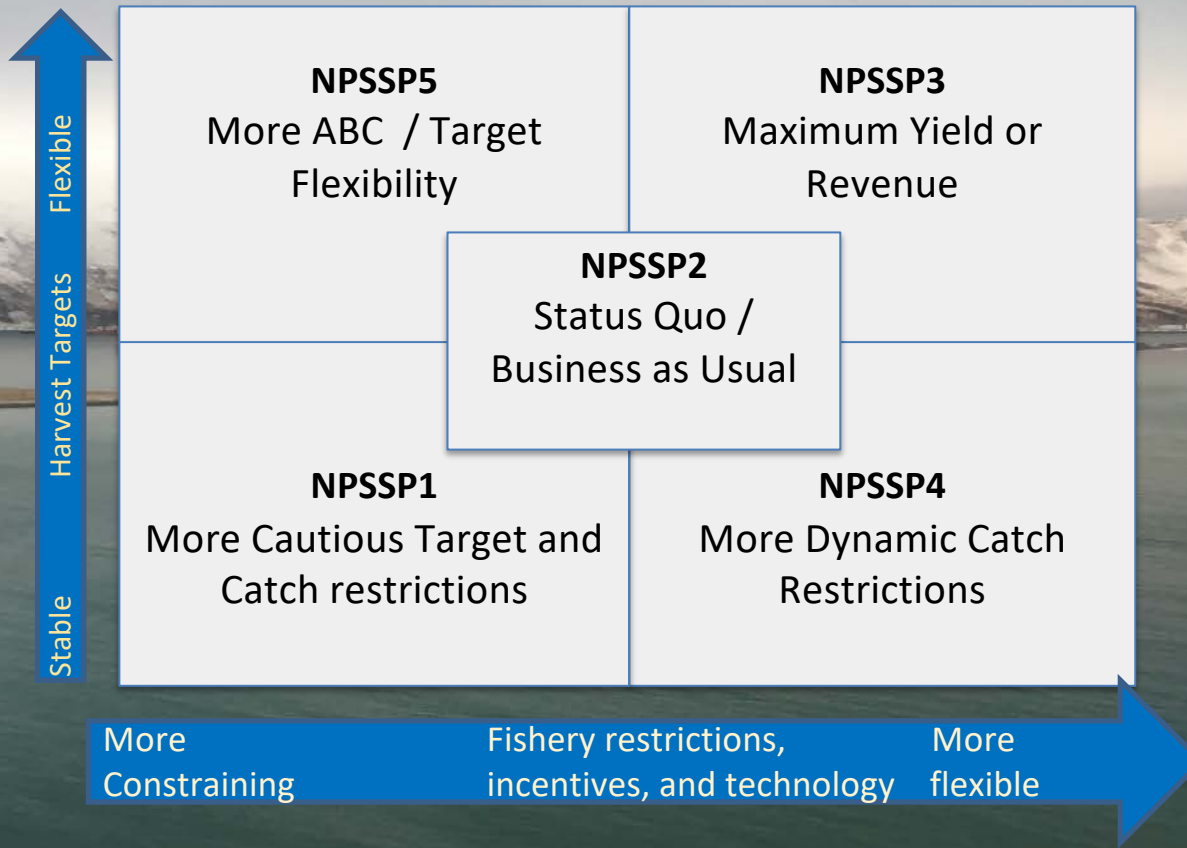
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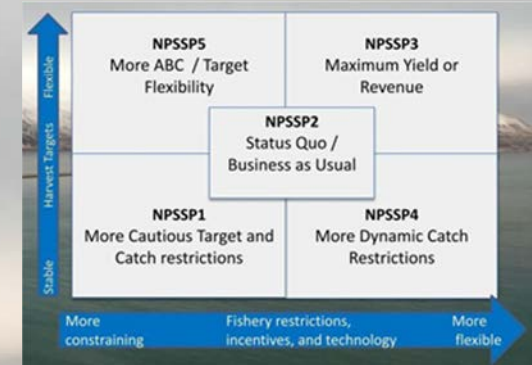
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Caveats on Socioeconomic Scenarios

- Scenarios demonstrate trade-offs - there may be different trade-offs and priorities in the future.
- Some trade-offs may be shown beyond MSA rules - for example, understanding the impacts of loosening single-species annual catch limits in multi-species fisheries.
- Policy trade-offs examined - these are not recommendations.

Examples:

More cautious / stable ABC Measures



Strategy and Rationale of these measures:

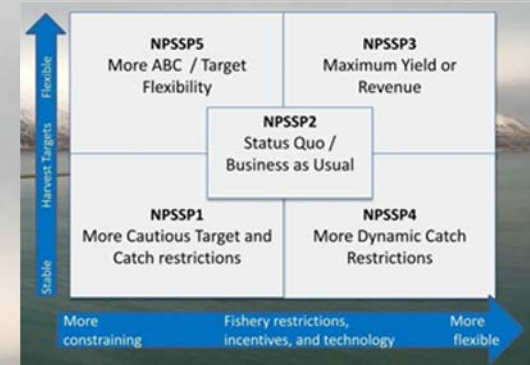
Examine the impacts of scenarios that include more stable ABC policies to adjust ABC / Harvest Control Rules (HCR) with climate.

Example ABC / Harvest Control Rule (HCR) Features:

- Set harvest targets as a function of climate conditions (e.g., F50 % when temperature is high)
- Test regime-specific HCR slopes (warm-period HCR, vs. cold-period HCR).
- Include effects of climate on base functions in assessment (e.g., growth, recruitment, or mortality as a function of temperature or zooplankton)
- Account for species re-distribution in assessments (e.g., use climate-informed spatial distribution tools to adjust catch-ability).

Examples:

More flexible ABC Measures



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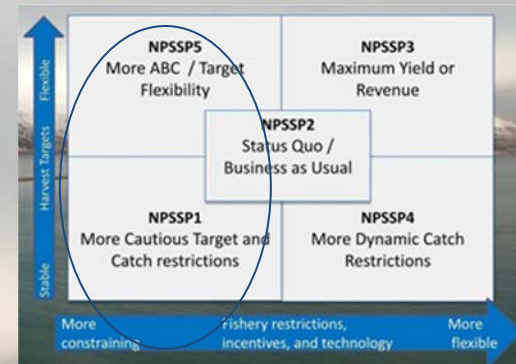
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Example ABC / Harvest Control Rule (HCR) Features:

- Allow multi-year ABCs.
- Evaluate minimum and maximum thresholds (e.g., B20 rule).
- Climate- or regime-specific B0 & B40.
- Utilize ecosystem and climate forecasts to increase overall sustainable catch and/or revenue.
- Explore measures that would increase stability of community access to resources.

Examples:

**Lower OY cap, increased catch restrictions,
lower prices / higher costs**



Strategy and Rationale of these measures:

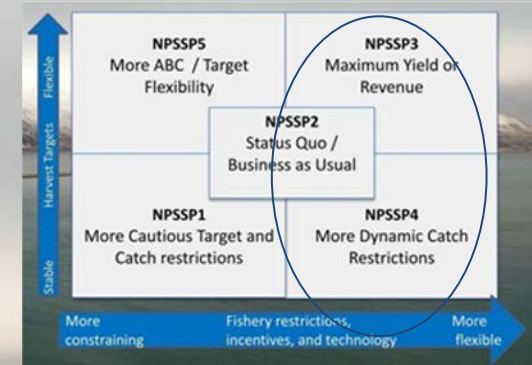
- Examine the impacts of scenarios that include measures that lower the cap or reduce the catch of different species.

Example Fishery Features:

- Impact of 1.7 MMT or climate-linked Ecosystem Cap / Optimum yield.
- Additional spatial management related to protected species.
- Additional bycatch challenges that (further) limit harvest of some species.
- Increases in fishing costs or lack of growth in fish prices, leading to reduced incentives or ability to harvest as much of some species.

Examples:

Higher cap, reduced catch restrictions, higher prices / lower costs, and improved technology leader to higher catch for a given ABC



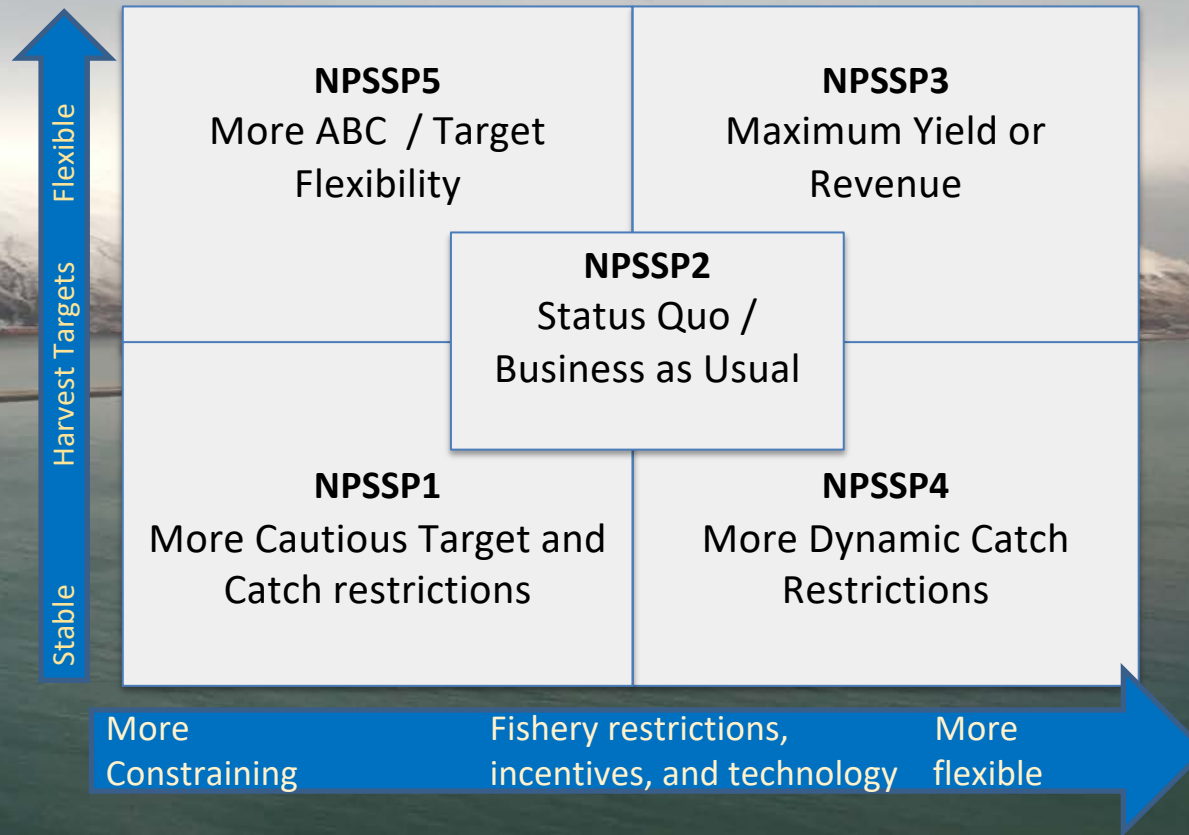
Strategy and Rationale of these measures:

- Examine the impacts and trade-offs of scenarios that include factors that lead to more flexible catch restrictions and/or greater catch.

Example Fishery Features:

- Impact of hypothetical 2.4 MMT Ecosystem Cap / Optimum Yield.
- Reduced spatial management measures when PSC quotas in place.
- Additional fishing flexibility in the Northern Bering Sea.
- Greater quota or bycatch flexibility (e.g., expanded Flatfish flexibility).
- Higher prices or improved fishing technology leading to greater catch.

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The combinations of Target / ABC / HCR and TAC / Fishery measures will be combined and coupled with different biological models to explore the trade-offs that result under several climate scenarios.



ACLIM 2.0 -- putting it all together

Better and more realistic models

Expanded socioeconomic scenarios with input from Council and diverse communities and stakeholders

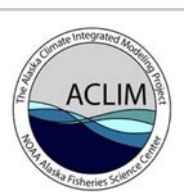
= Building on past Council success, use best available science about the trade-offs of management alternatives.

+ An integrated system that will be continuously improved.

How to give input to ACLIM



- Opportunities to give input in 2022 and beyond.
 - Council Meeting ACLIM workshop (June 8 Evening - reschedule from April)
 - Bering Sea region community workshop(s) - Summer
 - NPFMC Climate Change Task Force meetings - ongoing
 - Stay tuned for more
- Reach out to us anytime
 - Kirstin Holsman (Kirstin.Holsman@noaa.gov)
 - Alan Haynie (Alan.Haynie@noaa.gov)
 - Email your favorite ACLIM team member.



Input welcome today or anytime...

- Questions or comments about our work plan?
- What are the most compelling questions or biggest concerns for you?
- How can we best communicate with you and your stakeholders?

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Thanks!

- ACLIM 1.0 funding:
 - Fisheries & the Environment (FATE)
 - Stock Assessment Analytical Methods (SAAM)
 - Climate Regimes & Ecosystem Productivity (CREP)
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Glossary of Terms

- IPCC : United Nations Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change
- NOAA : National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
- NMFS : National Marine Fisheries Service
- Council : North Pacific Fisheries Management Council
- CE - : “Climate Enhanced” -
- GCM : General Circulation Model (Global in scale)
- RCP : Representative (carbon) Concentration Pathway
- FEP : Fisheries Ecosystem Plan
- ROMS : Regional Ocean Modeling System
- NPZ : Nutrient Phytoplankton Zooplankton Model
- CEATTLE : Climate Enhanced Assessment with Temperature and Trophic Linkages & Energetics Model
- FEAST : Forage and Euphausiid Assessment in Space and Time model
- SES : coupled Social-Ecological System

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