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Hourly RAVE Emissions for Air Quality Forecast

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Wildfire Smoke Impacts Human Health

- Wildfires emit massive amounts of trace gases and aerosol emissions
- Smoke pollutants degrade downwind air quality
- Exposure to wildfire smoke causes health issues



Increasing Fire Activities in the United States

- Fire activity has increased in the past few decades *fire area, fire season length, and frequency*
- Smoke contributions to PM_{2.5} has increased since 2016
- Fire activity is projected to increase in the next few decades



Westerling et al. 2006





Childs et al. 2022

Abatzoglou et al. 2021

Fire Emissions for Air Quality Forecasting

• Fire emissions are essential inputs for air quality models

hourly fire emissions (for aerosol species)

■ hourly fire intensity (FRP) for modeling plume injection height

Inventory	Approach	Resolution	Parameters	Forecast Applications
GFED5	Conventional	0.25° monthly	 MODIS burned area and MODIS/VIIRS fire detections; modeled fuel 	
FINN2.5	Conventional	fire point daily	MODIS/VIIRS fire detections; fuel compiled from published literature	CMAQ
FLAMBE	Conventional	fire point daily	MODIS & GEO satellites fire detections	NAAPS
GFAS1.4	FRP-based	0.1° daily/hourly	MODIS FRP	ECMWF CAMS
FEER1.0	FRP-based	0.1° daily	MODIS FRP	
QFED2.5	FRP-based	0.1° & 0.25° daily	MODIS FRP	NASA GEOS-5
GBBEPx4/5	FRP-based	0.1° & 0.25° & FV3 daily	VIIRS FRP	NWS global aerosol models
RAVE1.2/2.0	FRP-based	3km & 13km, hourly	ABI and VIIRS FRP	NOAA EMC AQM/CMAQ NOAA RRFS

Fire Emissions for Air Quality Forecasting

Data gap - lack of hourly fire emissions

- Two common strategies
 - 1. persistent emissions
 - 2. redistribute daily emissions using a shape-fixed climatology

Challenges

- Misrepresent diurnal patterns of fire emissions.
- Result in underprediction or overprediction



Williams Flat Fire 2019

Ye et al. 2021

ABI and VIIRS Sensors Provide New Opportunities

Sensor	Footprint Size	Frequency	Detection Capability
ABI	2 km (nadir)	CONUS: 5 minFull-disk: 10 min	detect fires \geq 34 MW
VIIRS	0.375 km	twice daily	detect fires \geq 1 MW





Prescribed burn permits and satellite detections during Jan - Apr 2018 in Florida



RAVE Algorithm



RAVE Product (3km & 13km)

Hourly estimates

- O Emission mass for 11 chemical species (CO2, CO, PM2.5, BC, OC, NOx, CH4, NH3, SO2, TPM, and VOCs)
- Scaled emission mass for aerosol species
- ^o FRP (Mean & SD) and FRE
- FRP prediction flag
- ^o Cloud fraction
- 0 QA



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Upgrade from V1 to V2

Updates in V2

- Use NOAA's new VIIRS active fire products NOAA-20 and NOAA-21 EFIRE
- Correct terrain-caused parallax errors in the ABI fire pixel locations
- Update the FRP time series fitting algorithm to avoid negative predictions and overpredictions

Parallax Correction - Examples (California)

Fire Pixels VIIRS ABI (before correction) ABI (after correction)



DEM (Altitude) low

high

Update FRP Fitting Algorithm

• V1 - Shifting FRP diurnal Climatology

Negative FRP predictionsFRP overpredictions

• V2 -Fitting with normalized FRP diurnal climatology

• Fix negative predictions and overpredictions



V2 vs. V1



Evaluation of RAVE Emission with TROPOMI CO

 RAVE CO and TROPOMI CO are generally comparable over a total of 61 fresh smoke plumes



RAVE Examples: Park Fire, California 2024



RAVE Examples: Canadian Wildfires 2023

• Hourly RAVE PM2.5 emissions on 18 May 2023



RAVE Product Applications

Testing RAVE product in NOAA's AQM-CMAQ and RRFS-CMAQ models



RRFS-CMAQ

AQM-CMAQ

Product Access

- 1. Near-real time product
 - NOAA CLASS
 - NOAA NESDIS/STAR (shobha.kondragunta@noaa.gov)
- 2. Reprocessed data (2019-2023)
 - RAVE Science Team

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