

*Supplement of*

**Anthropogenic emission controls reduce summertime ozone-temperature sensitivity  
in the United States**

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## **Text S1. Site selection**

We apply the following criteria to select sites with sufficient hourly ozone observations for the calculation of MDA8 ozone and long-term trend estimate:

- (1) Only days have at least 16 hourly observations per day are included;
- (2) Only summers (JJA) have at least 45 available daily MDA8 ozone records are included;
- (3) Only sites with valid ozone measurements for at least 24 years (i.e. >75%) in the 1990-2021 period and for at least 3 years in 2017-2021 are selected.

A total of 608 sites, including 319 urban sites and 289 rural sites, are selected in this study.

**Table S1**  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$ (ppbv) and  $r_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  in present-day (2017-2021) and  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  trends (ppbv/K/year) from 1990 to 2021 in seven areas

	NEUS	SEUS	Midwest	Plains	Intermountain West	NWUS	SWUS
$m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$ (ppbv/K)							
Mean	1.96±0.65	1.32±0.62	2.07±0.61	1.05±0.63	0.58±0.29	1.54±0.39	1.34±0.70
Urban	2.17±0.58	1.42±0.66	2.23±0.55	1.14±0.67	0.72±0.21	1.68±0.21	1.48±0.77
Rural	1.79±0.66	1.23±0.57	1.91±0.64	0.76±0.42	0.47±0.30	1.50±0.43	1.07±0.44
$r_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$							
Mean	0.52±0.09	0.29±0.11	0.50±0.12	0.24±0.16	0.24±0.11	0.63±0.08	0.47±0.18
Urban	0.56±0.06	0.30±0.11	0.53±0.10	0.23±0.13	0.28±0.08	0.65±0.08	0.49±0.19
Rural	0.49±0.10	0.28±0.10	0.47±0.13	0.27±0.22	0.21±0.12	0.62±0.08	0.43±0.15
$m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$ trends (ppbv/K/year)							
Mean	-0.83**	-0.61**	-0.52**	-0.27	-0.08*	-0.30**	-0.60**
Urban	-0.84**	-0.67**	-0.52**	-0.33	-0.09*	-0.35**	-0.88**
Rural	-0.81**	-0.56**	-0.50**	-0.15	-0.07	-0.27**	-0.34**

\*\*represents p-value<0.01, \*represents p-value<0.05(Only in  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  trends)

**Table S2** Observed vs simulated  $m_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$ (ppbv/K) and their correlation coefficients (r) in different periods and areas

Period	SIM	OBS	r	SIM	OBS	r
		CONUS			NEUS	
1995-1999	2.61±1.53	2.91±1.77	0.65	3.06±0.97	4.10±1.44	0.65
2001-2005	2.78±1.63	2.81±1.85	0.71	3.29±1.34	3.58±1.28	0.52
2007-2011	2.33±1.42	2.15±1.52	0.67	3.27±1.28	2.89±1.04	0.67
2013-2017	2.16±1.15	1.68±1.29	0.61	2.23±0.98	1.99±1.22	0.63
		SEUS			Midwest	
1995-1999	3.07±1.78	3.34±1.82	0.61	2.98±0.89	2.74±1.17	0.64
2001-2005	3.18±2.09	3.30±2.42	0.73	3.41±1.1	3.03±1.2	0.66
2007-2011	1.98±1.66	1.90±1.78	0.71	2.87±0.86	2.47±1.32	0.49
2013-2017	2.54±1.19	1.60±1.38	0.58	2.79±0.96	2.10±1.23	0.77
		Plains			Intermountain West	
1995-1999	2.27±2.31	1.77±2.48	0.79	0.67±0.58	0.79±0.64	0.17
2001-2005	1.67±1.17	1.62±1.32	0.56	1.17±0.6	0.87±0.92	0.45
2007-2011	1.80±1.38	1.73±1.55	0.63	0.84±0.73	0.64±0.81	0.27
2013-2017	1.44±0.92	1.44±1.36	0.75	0.88±0.48	0.86±0.63	0.43
		NWUS			SWUS	
1995-1999	2.27±0.63	2.59±0.85	0.55	2.05±1.18	2.52±1.42	0.22
2001-2005	1.82±0.54	2.55±0.71	0.11	2.15±1.11	2.31±1.54	0.51
2007-2011	1.67±0.44	2.00±0.62	0.32	2.22±0.97	2.29±1.40	0.42
2013-2017	1.60±0.57	1.76±0.75	0.27	1.71±0.95	1.41±1.26	0.38

### Observed vs MERRA-2 $T_{\max}$ in different time

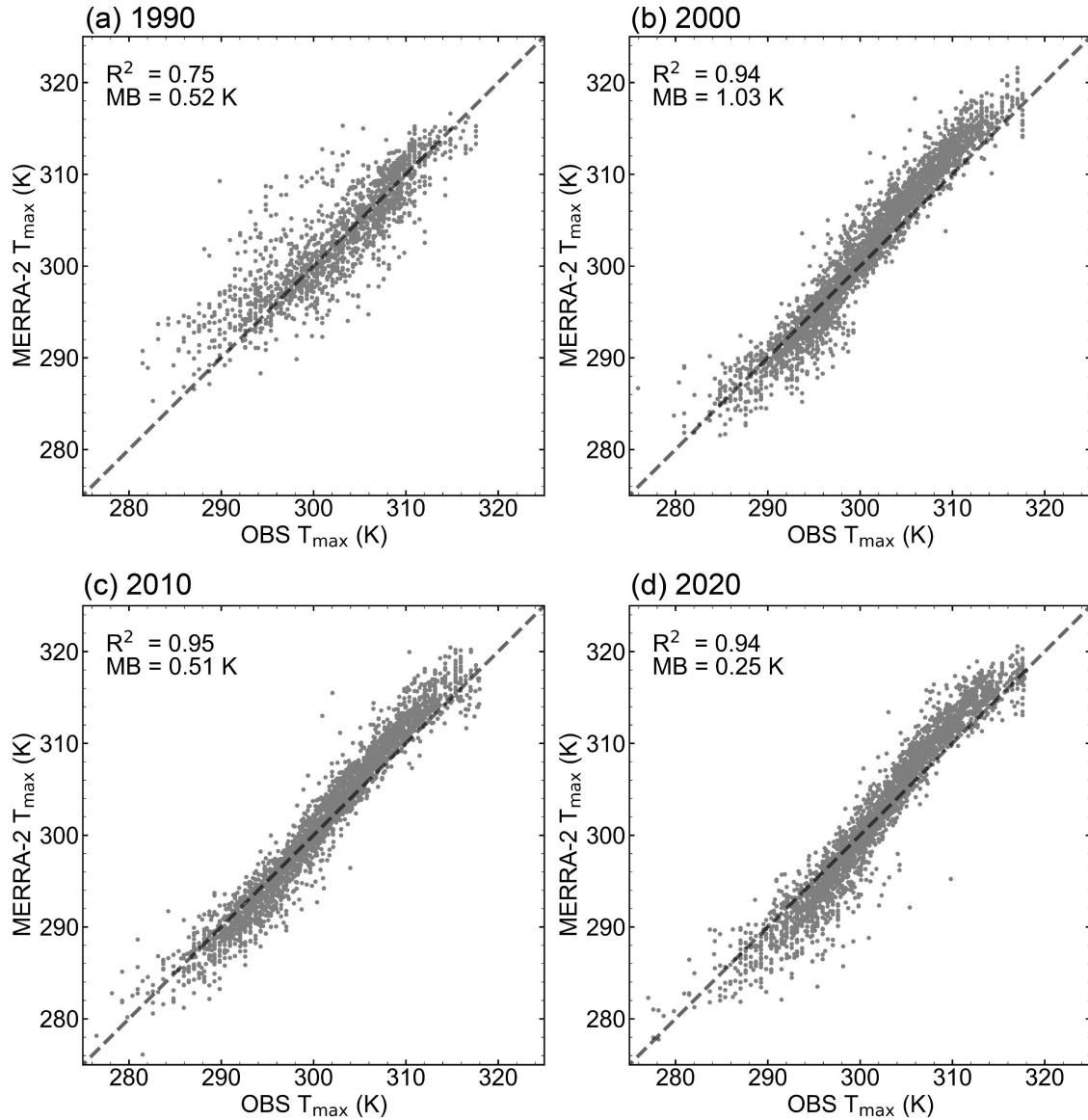


Figure S1. Observed (AQS) vs MERRA-2  $T_{\max}$  (daily maximum temperature) at summertime (June, July, August) in 1990(a),2000(b),2010(c) and 2020(d). The explained variance ( $R^2$ ) and mean bias (MB) are shown in the inset.

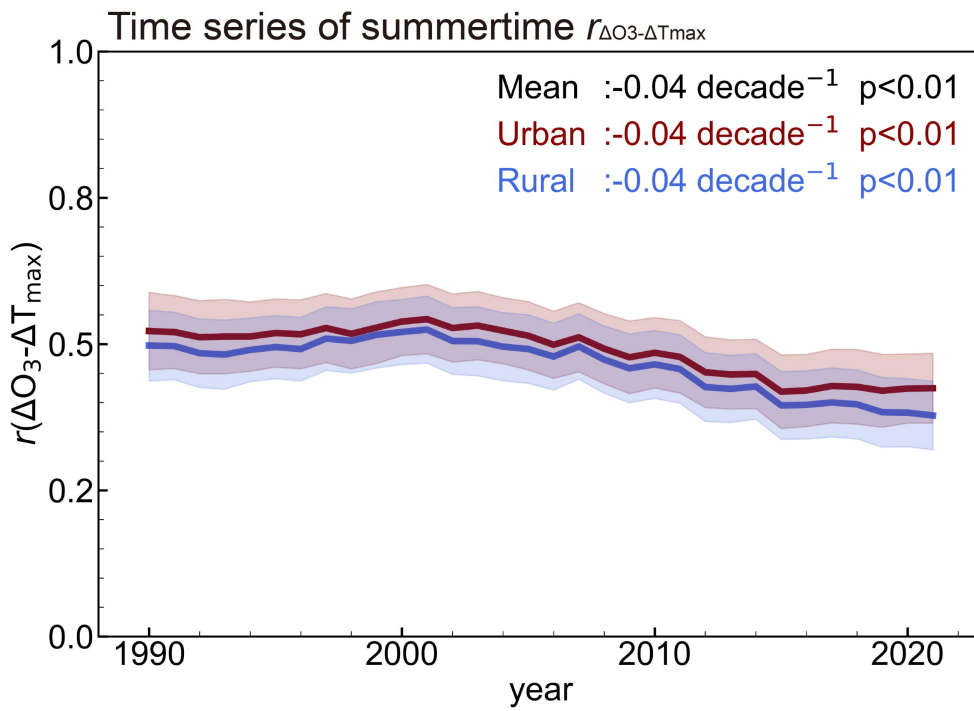


Figure S2. Same as Figure 3a but for  $r_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$ .

Time series of summertime  $m(\Delta O_2 - \Delta T_{max})$  in seven areas

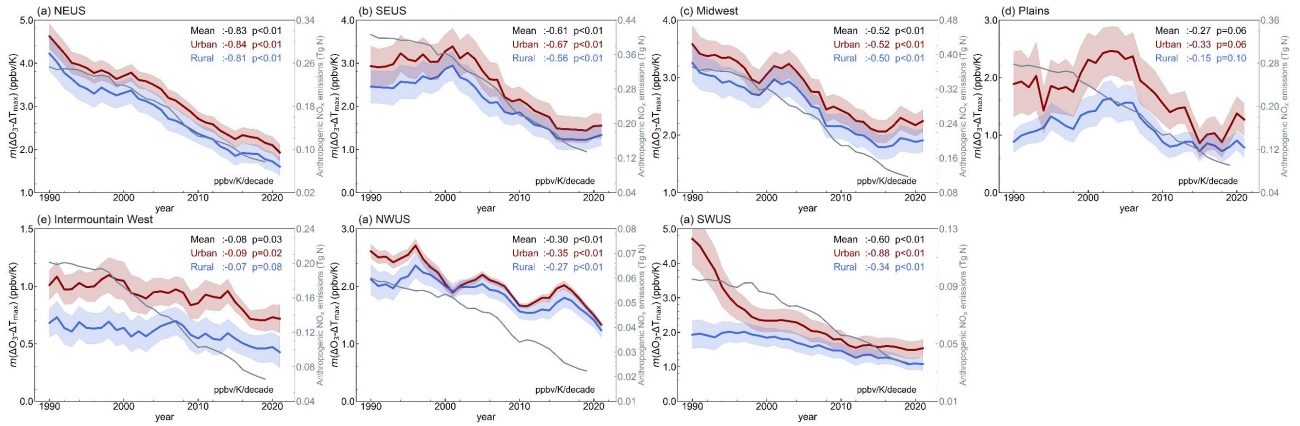


Figure S3. Same as Figure 3a but in seven areas.

Time series of summertime  $r_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$  in seven areas

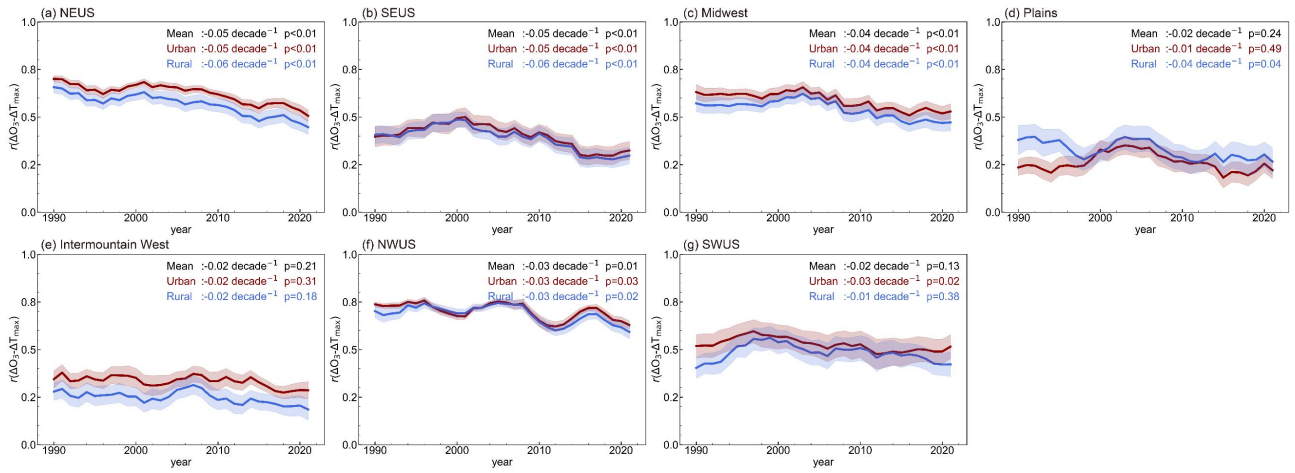


Figure S4. Same as Figure S3 but for  $r_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$ .



Comparison of observed and simulated MDA8 ozone, 1995-2017

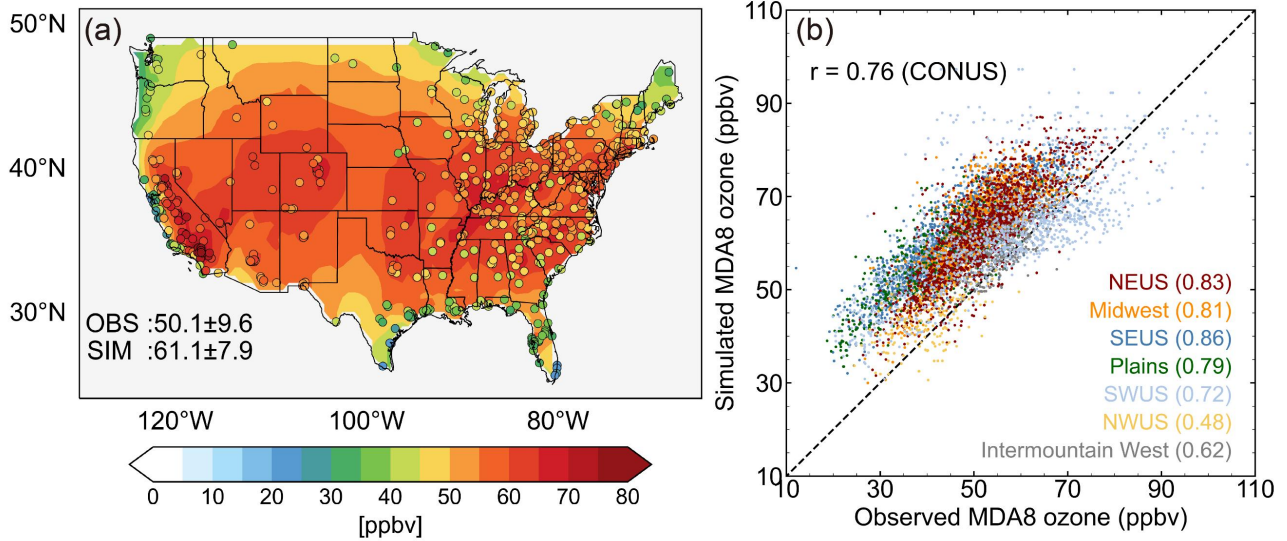


Figure S5. Same as Figure 4 but for MDA8 ozone.

# $r_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$ trends in different emission scenarios

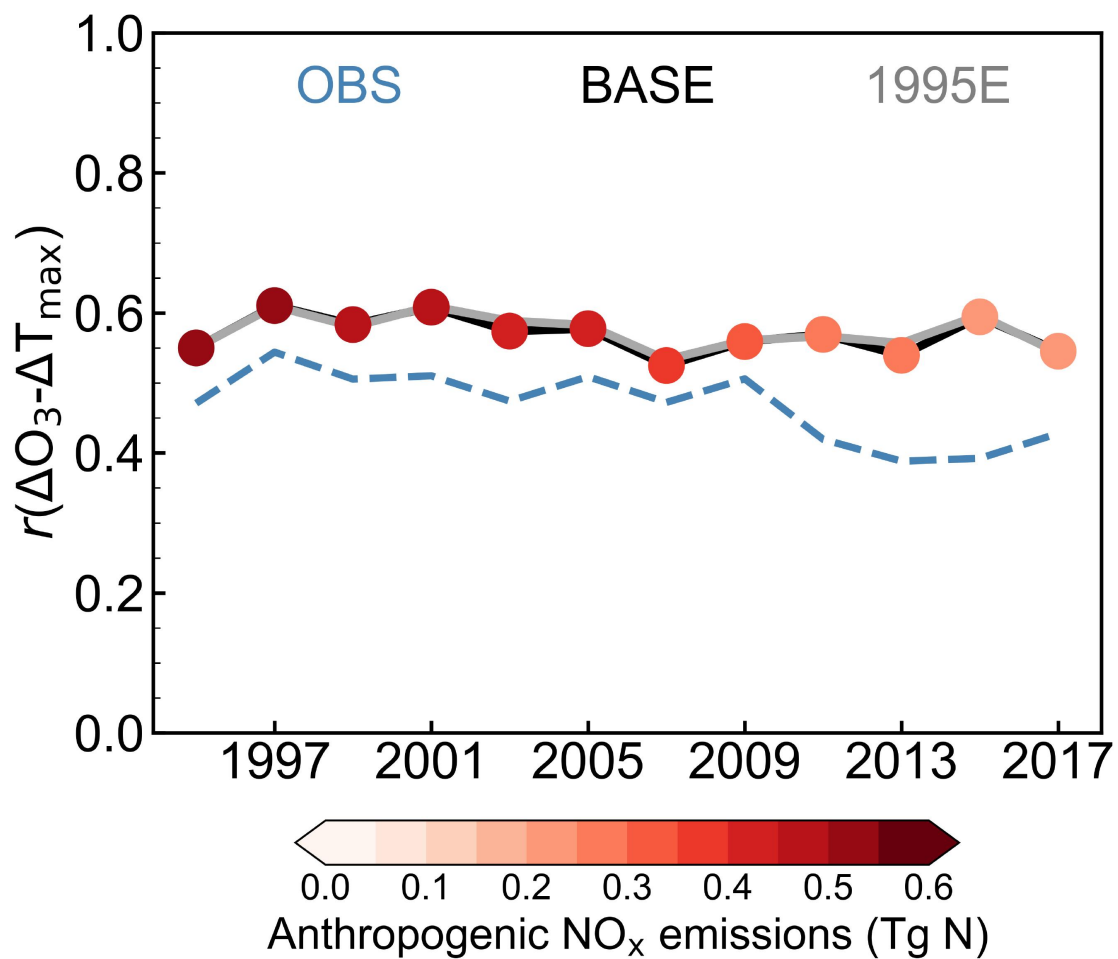


Figure S6. Same as Figure 5b but for  $r_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$ .

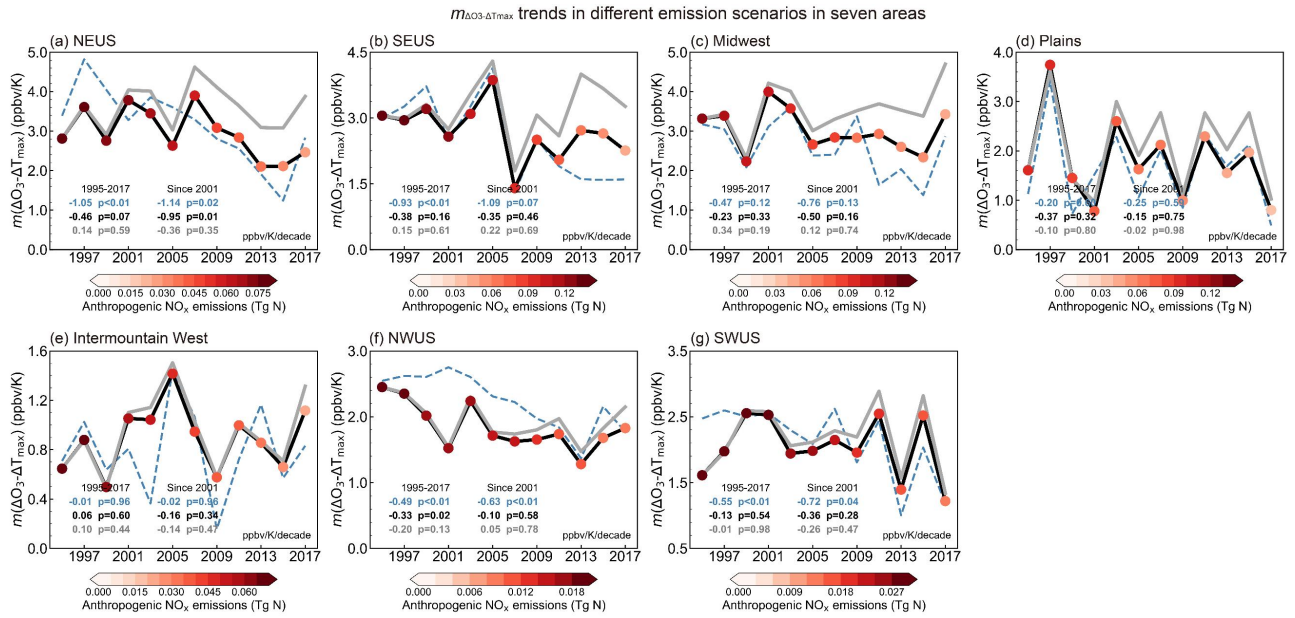
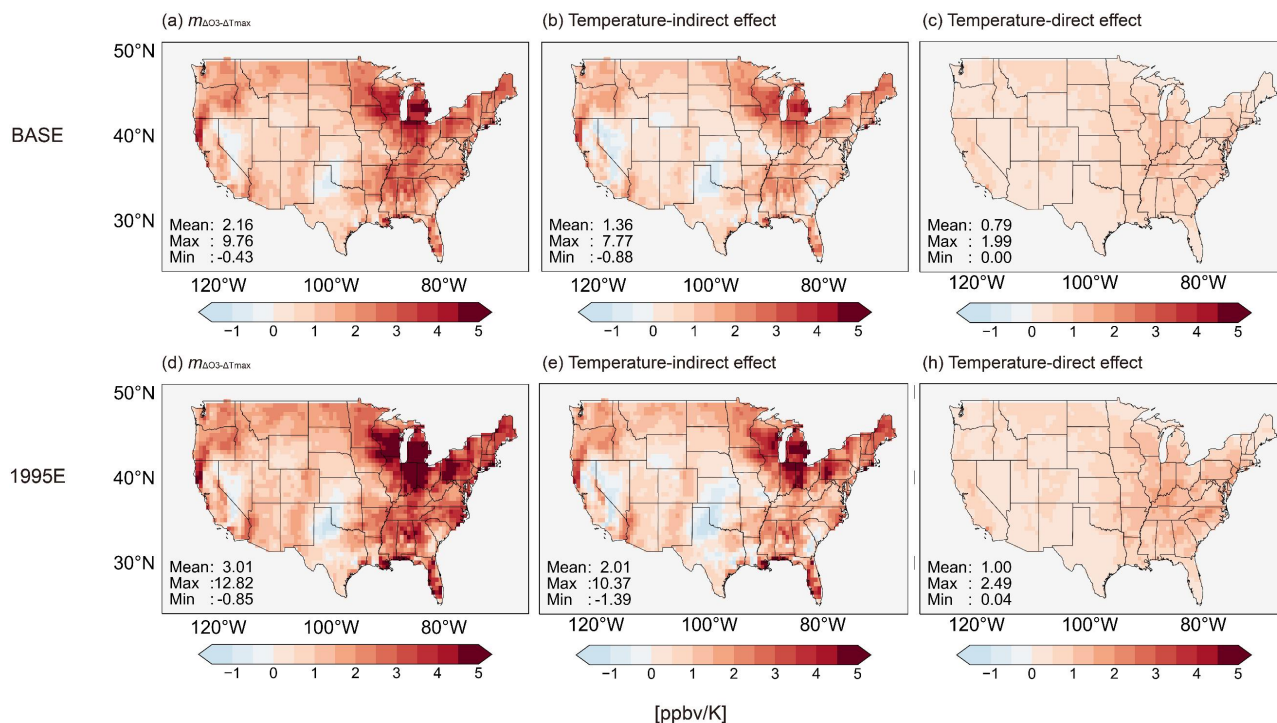
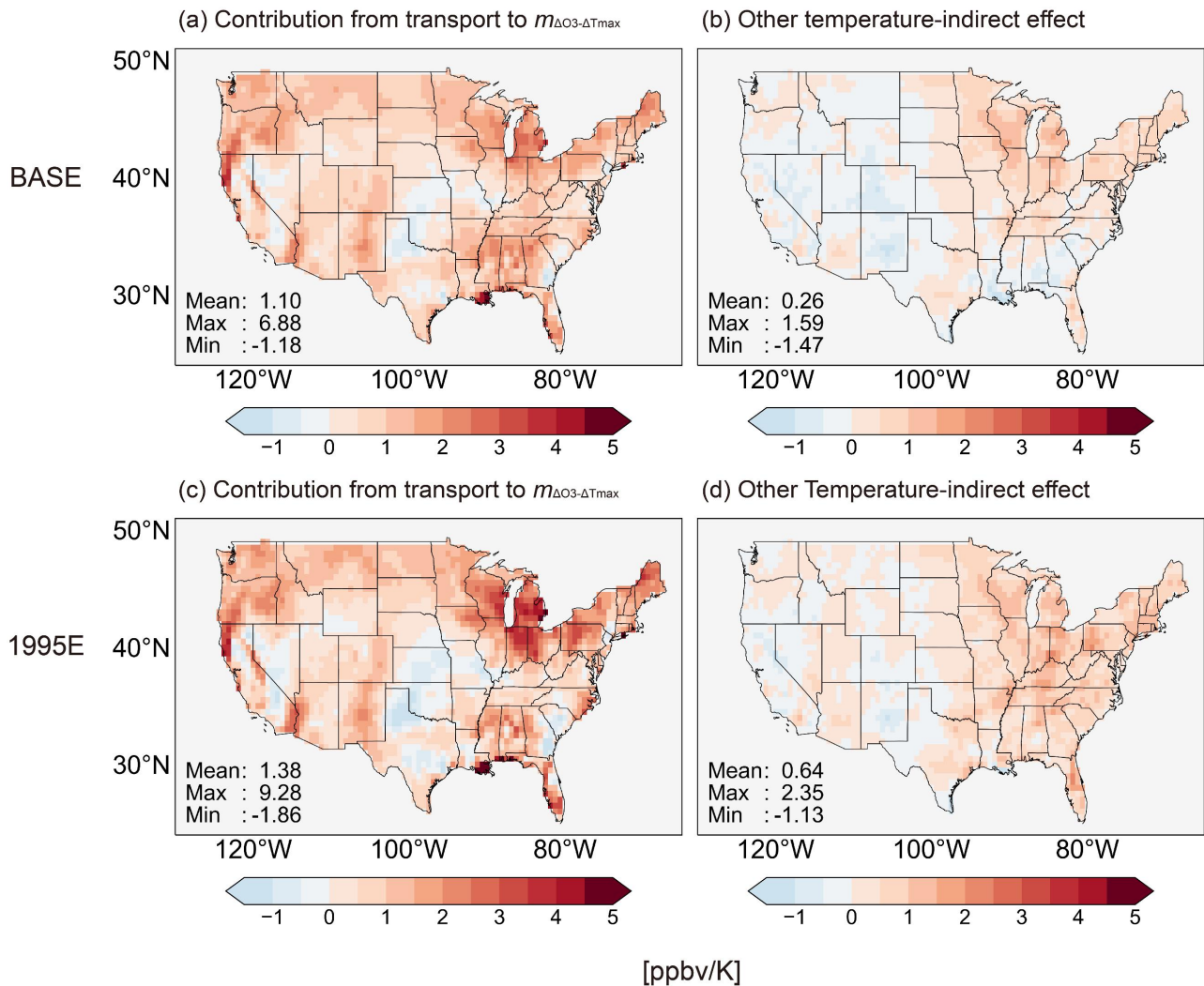


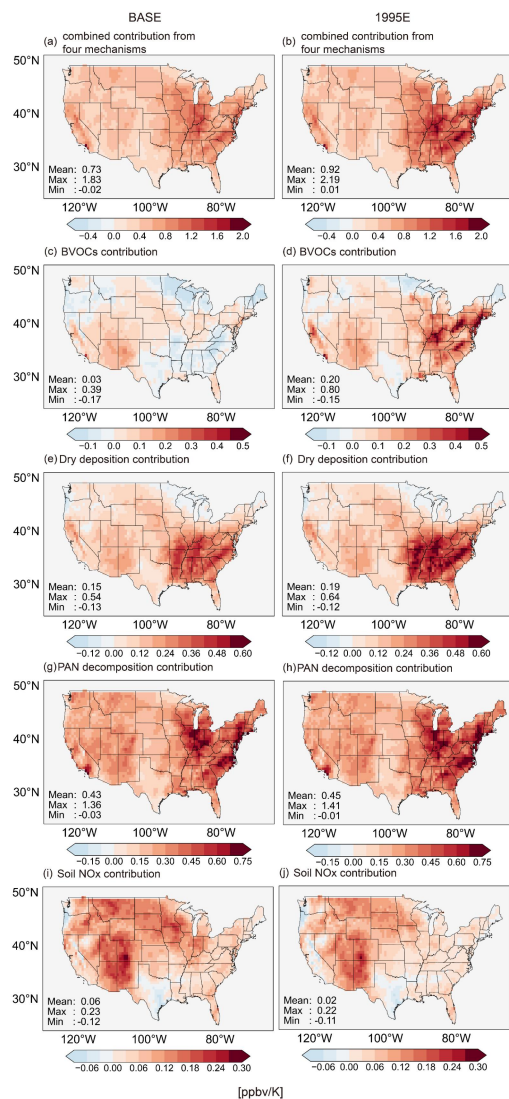
Figure S7. Same as Figure 5b but in seven areas.



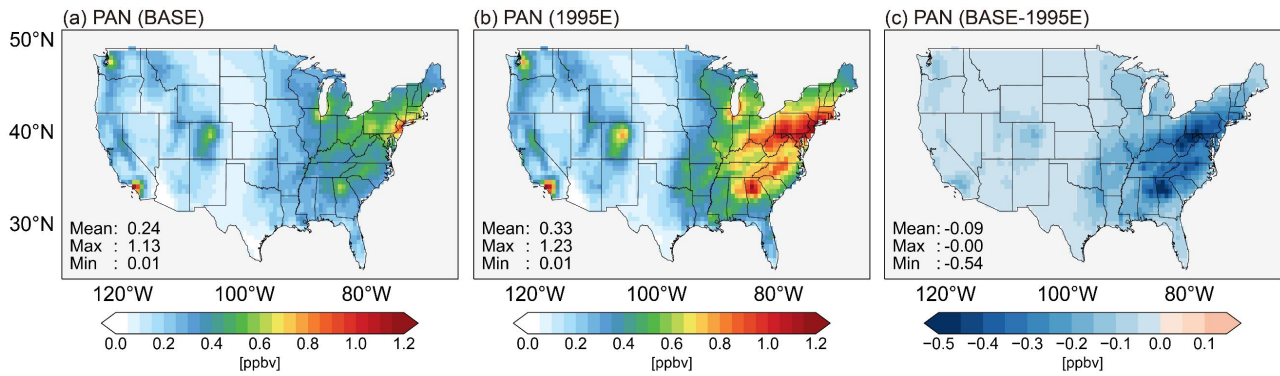
**Figure S8. Contribution of the temperature-indirect and temperature-direct effects for  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  in different emission scenarios. (a) the  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  in the BASE. (d) the  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  in the 1995E. (b) The contribution of the temperature-indirect effect to  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  in the BASE-FTEMP. (e) is the same as (b), but in the 1995E-FTEMP. (c) The contribution of the temperature-direct effect to  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$ , estimated as the difference of  $m_{\Delta\text{O}_3-\Delta\text{Tmax}}$  between BASE and BASE-FTEMP. (h) is the same as (c), but with anthropogenic NOx emission level fixed at 1995 level (*i.e.* estimated as the difference between 1995E and 1995E - FTEMP). Mean, maximum, and minimum values of the contributions among all CONUS sites are shown inset.**



**Figure S9.** Contribution of the different temperature-indirect effects for  $m_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$  in different emission scenarios. (a) The contribution of the transport effect to  $m_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$  in the BASE-TRANS. (c) is the same as (a), but in the 1995E-TRANS. (b) The contribution of the other temperature-indirect effect to  $m_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$ , estimated as the difference of  $m_{\Delta O_3-\Delta T_{max}}$  between BASE-FTEMP and BASE-TRANS. (d) is the same as (b), but with anthropogenic NO<sub>x</sub> emission level fixed at 1995 level (*i.e.* estimated as the difference between 1995E-FTEMP and 1995E-TRANS). Mean, maximum, and minimum values of the contributions among all CONUS sites are shown inset.



**Figure S10.** Contribution of the different temperature-direct effects for  $m_{\text{AO}_3-\text{ATmax}}$  in different emission scenarios. (a) Combined contribution of the four temperature-dependent mechanisms (BVOCs emissions, dry deposition, PAN decomposition, and soil NOx emissions) to  $m_{\text{AO}_3-\text{ATmax}}$ , estimated as the difference of  $m_{\text{AO}_3-\text{ATmax}}$  between BASE and BASE-FALL. (b) is the same as (a), but with anthropogenic NOx emission level fixed at 1995 level (*i.e.* estimated as the difference between 1995E and 1995E -FALL). (c-i, d-j) Individual contribution of BVOCs emissions, dry deposition, PAN decomposition, and soil NOx emissions) to  $m_{\text{AO}_3-\text{ATmax}}$  with 2017 and 1995 emission level, respectively. Mean, maximum, and minimum values of the contributions among all CONUS sites are shown inset. Note that the value range of each figure is different.



**Figure S11.** The distribution of mean PAN concentration in July 2017 from the BASE(a) and 1995E(b) simulation. (c) the difference for PAN concentration between BASE and 1995E. Mean, maximum, and minimum values in the CONUS are shown inset.

July Ozone- $T_{max}$  relationship in seven areas

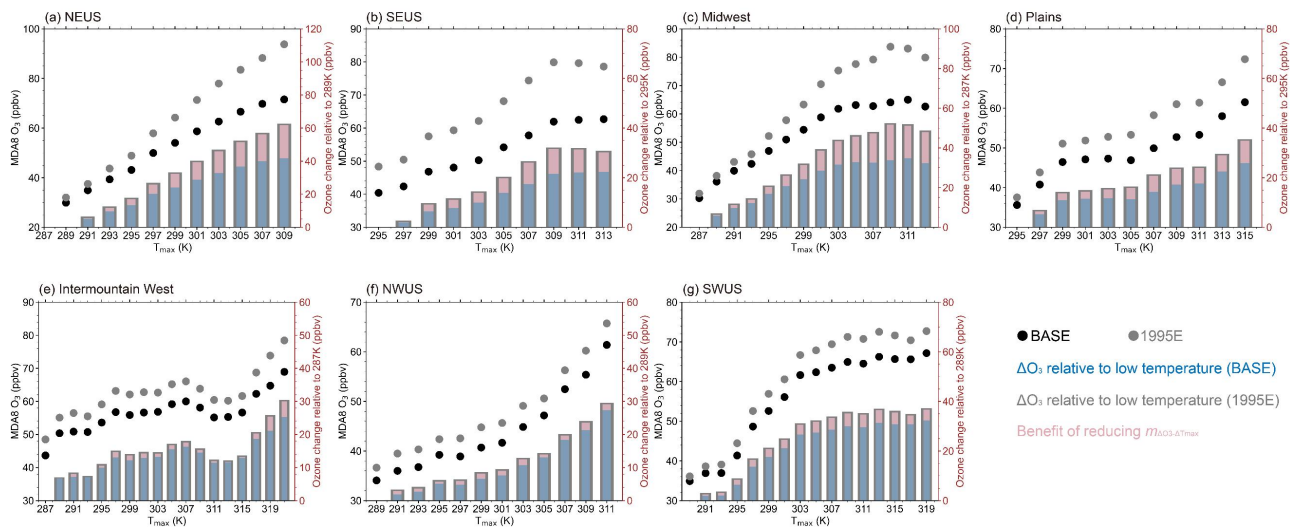


Figure S12. Same as Figure 9a but in seven areas. Note that the value range of each figure is different.