General Circulation Model Output IPCC 4th Assessment Future 12km North America dataset

The following is taken directly from The University of Santa Clara *Statistically Downscaled WCRP CMIP3 Climate Projections* project website located at http://gdo-dcp.ucllnl.org/downscaled_cmip3_projections/dcpInterface.html

Data Summary

Downscaled 12km translations of contemporary climate projections over the contiguous United States. The original projections are from the <u>World Climate Research</u> <u>Programme's</u> (WCRP's) <u>Coupled Model Intercomparison Project phase 3</u> (CMIP3) multimodel dataset, which was referenced in the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change Fourth Assessment Report.

Source Data Description

Resolution: 12 kilometer (Geographic, WGS84)

Spatial Extent: Contiguous United States

Temporal Extent: 1950 - 2099 monthly time-series

Climate Variables: Precipitation

Average Temperature

Purpose

The archive was developed to provide planning analysts access to climate projections "downscaled" to a finer spatial resolution. Such access permits development of decision-support information and associated regional and local adaptive strategies under potential climate change. Several types of analyses are supported by this archive, including:

- regionally distributed assessments of projection frequency.
- location-specific assessments of projection frequency.
- climate change impacts assessments for social and natural systems.
- risk-based exploration of planning and policy responses.

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