

**Supplementary Materials for**  
**US Power Production at Risk from Water Stress in a Changing Climate**

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**Fig S3. U.S. climate regions.** Nine climatically homogeneous regions within the contiguous United States used in this study (see ref. 41 for details). ENC: East North Central, NE: Northeast, NW: Northwest, SE: Southeast, SW: Southwest, WNC: West North Central. Figure is generated using MATLAB 2015a (Version 8.5, URL: <http://www.mathworks.com>).

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**Table S1.** List of CMIP5 climate models along with their horizontal resolutions (Longitude x Latitude) and the number of initial condition runs used for historical and RCPs experiments

No	Model Name	Resolution (lon x lat)	Historical	RCP2.6	RCP4.5	RCP6	RCP8.5
1	ACCESS1-0	192 x 145	2	-	1	-	1
2	ACCESS1-3	192 x 145	3	-	1	-	1
3	BCC-CSM1.1	128 x 64	3	1	1	1	1
4	BCC-CSM1.1(m)	320 x 160	-	1	1	1	1
5	BNU-ESM	128 x 64	1	1	1	-	1
6	CanESM2	128 x 64	5	5	5	-	5
7	CCSM4	128 x 64	8	5	6	6	5
8	CESM1-BGC	288 x 192	1	-	1	-	1
9	CESM1-CAM5	288 x 192	3	3	3	3	3
10	CESM1-FASTCHEM	288 x 192	3	-	-	-	-
11	CESM1-WACCM	144 x 96	7	3	3	-	-
12	CMCC-CESM	96 x 48	1	-	-	-	1
13	CMCC-CM	480 x 240	-	-	1	-	1
14	CNRM-CM5-2	256 x 128	1	-	-	-	-
15	CNRM-CM5	256 x 128	1	3	1	-	5
16	CSIRO-MK3-6-0	192 x 96	10	10	10	10	10
17	CSIRO-MK3L-1-2	64 x 56	3	-	-	-	-
18	EC-EARTH	320 x 160	1	-	2	-	2
19	FIO-ESM	128 x 64	-	3	3	3	2
20	FGOALS-g2	128 x 60	5	1	-	-	1
21	GFDL-CM2p1	144 x 90	2	-	10	-	-
22	GFDL-CM3	144 x 90	5	-	-	1	1
23	GFDL-ESM2G	144 x 90	1	-	1	1	1
24	GISS-E2-H-CC	144 x 90	1	-	1	-	1
25	GISS-E2-R-CC	144 x 90	1	-	1	-	1
26	GISS-E2-H	144 x 90	10	3	15	3	2
27	GISS-E2-R	144 x 90	22	3	13	3	5
28	HadCM3	96 x 73	10	-	10	-	-
29	HadGEM2-CC	192 x 145	8	-	1	-	3
30	HadGEM2-ES	192 x 145	-	4	4	4	4
31	INM-CM4	180 x 120	1	-	1	-	1
32	IPSL-CM5A-LR	96 x 96	6	4	4	1	4
33	IPSL-CM5A-MR	144 x 143	3	3	1	1	1
34	IPSL-CM5B-LR	96 x 96	1	-	1	-	1
35	MIROC4h	640 x 320	3	-	3	-	-
36	MIROC5	256 x 128	5	5	5	5	5
37	MIROC-ESM	128 x 64	3	1	1	1	1
38	MIROC-ESM-CHEM	128 x 64	1	1	2	1	1
39	MPI-ESM-LR	192 x 96	3	2	3	-	3
40	MPI-ESM-MR	192 x 96	3	1	3	-	1
41	MPI-ESM-P	192 x 96	2	-	-	-	-
42	MRI-CGCM3	320 x 160	5	1	1	1	1
43	MRI-ESM1	320 x 160	1	-	-	-	-
44	NorESM1-ME	144 x 96	1	1	1	1	-
45	NorESM1-M	144 x 96	3	1	1	1	1
		<b>Total</b>	<b>159</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>123</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>79</b>

\* The short hyphen ('-') indicates particular climate realization is not available for download.

**Table S2.** List of CMIP5 models for which downscaled surface air temperature is available along with the number of initial conditions for historical and future experiments

No.	Model Name	Historical	RCP2.6	RCP4.5	RCP6	RCP8.5
1	ACCESS1-0	1	-	1	-	1
2	ACCESS1-3	1	-	1	-	1
3	BCC-CSM1.1	1	1	1	1	1
4	BCC-CSM1.1(m)	1	-	1	-	1
5	CanESM2	5	5	5	-	5
6	CCSM4	5	5	4	4	5
7	CESM1-BGC	1	-	1	-	1
8	CESM1-CAM5	3	3	3	2	3
9	CMCC-CM	1	-	1	-	1
10	CNRM-CM5	5	-	1	5	-
11	CSIRO-MK3-6-0	10	10	10	10	10
12	EC-EARTH	4	2	3	-	3
13	FGOALS-g2	3	1	2	-	3
14	FIO-ESM	3	3	3	3	3
15	GFDL-CM3	1	1	1	1	1
16	GFDL-ESM2G	1	1	1	1	1
17	GFDL-ESM2M	1	1	1	1	1
18	GISS-E2-H-CC	1	-	1	-	-
19	GISS-E2-R-CC	1	-	1	-	-
20	GISS-E2-R	5	1	1	1	1
21	HadCM3	4	-	4	-	-
22	HadGEM2-AO	1	1	1	1	1
23	HadGEM2-CC	1	-	1	-	1
24	HadGEM2-ES	4	4	4	4	4
25	INM-CM4	1	-	1	-	1
26	IPSL-CM5A-LR	4	3	4	1	4
27	IPSL-CM5A-MR	1	1	1	1	1
28	IPSL-CM5B-LR	1	-	1	-	1
29	MIROC4h	3	-	3	-	-
30	MIROC5	1	1	1	1	1
31	MIROC-ESM	1	1	1	1	1
32	MIROC-ESM-CHEM	1	1	1	1	1
33	MPI-ESM-LR	3	3	3	-	3
34	MPI-ESM-MR	1	1	1	-	1
35	MRI-CGCM3	1	1	1	-	1
36	NorESM1-ME	1	1	1	1	1
37	NorESM1-M	1	1	1	1	1
	<b>Total</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>65</b>

**Table S3.** Regional thermoelectric power production capacity

<b>Regions</b>	<b>Number of Power Plants</b>	<b>Annual Production Capacity (Quad)</b>
Central	140	2.487
East North Central (ENC)	78	0.802
Northeast (NE)	128	1.594
Northwest (NW)	16	0.138
Southeast (SE)	140	2.416
South	193	2.138
Southwest (SW)	51	0.728
West	44	0.397
West North Central (WNC)	25	0.373
<b>Total</b>	<b>815</b>	<b>11.073</b>

**Table S4.** Regional annual power production capacity (Quad) under various water stress levels (WSL)

WSL1:  $-0.50 \leq \text{WSI} \leq 0$

WSL2:  $-0.75 \leq \text{WSI} \leq -0.50$

WSL3:  $-1.0 \leq \text{WSI} \leq -0.75$

WSL4:  $-1.5 \leq \text{WSI} \leq -1.0$

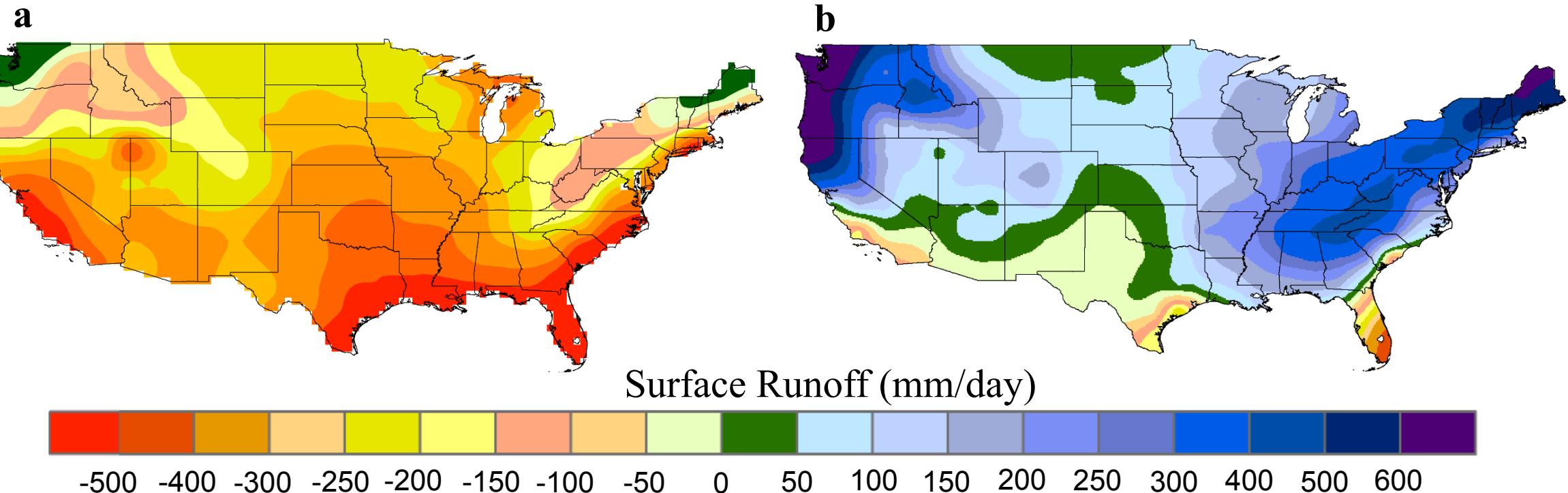
WSL5:  $\text{WSI} \leq -1.5$

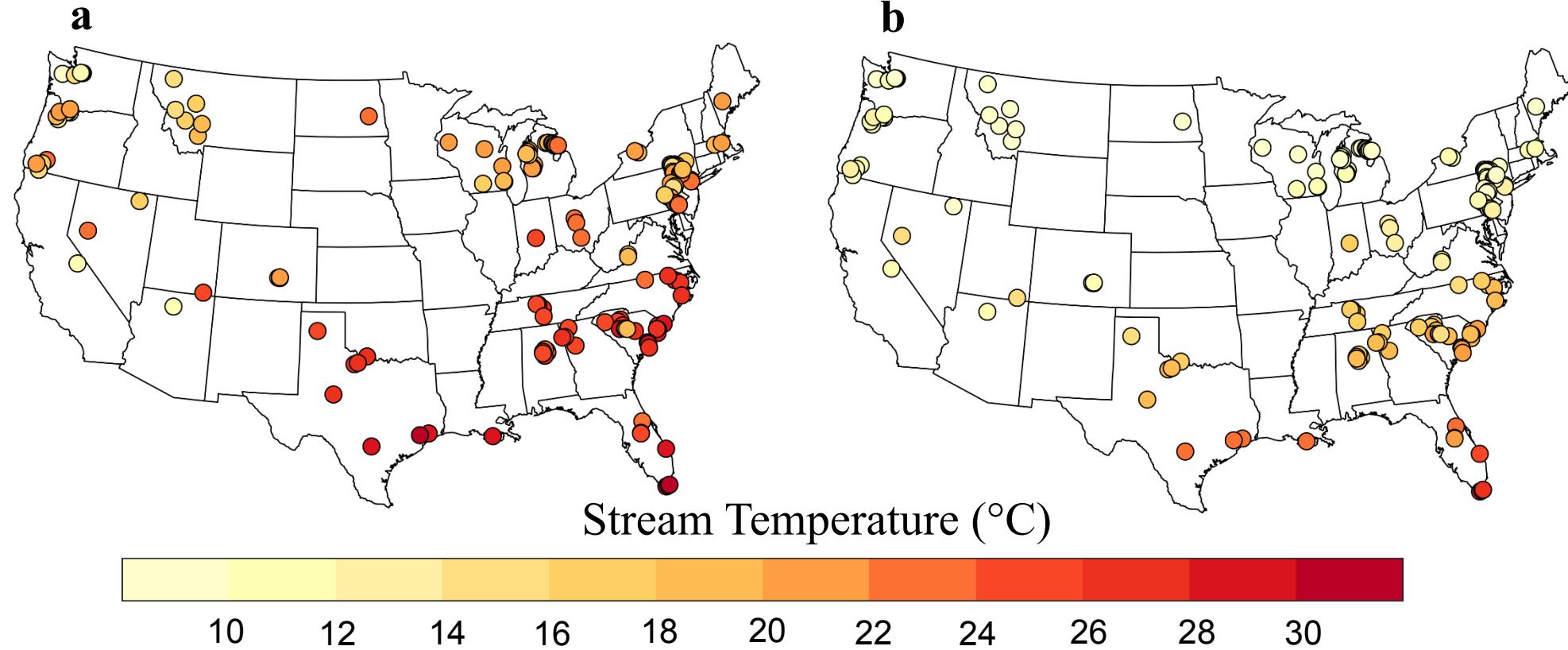
Year	1996-2005				
Regions	WSL1	WSL2	WSL3	WSL4	WSL5
Central	0	2.444	0.043	0	0
ENC	0	0.492	0.244	0.065	0
NE	0	0.662	0.932	0	0
NW	0	0.138	0	0	0
SE	0.401	1.719	0.297	0	0
South	0	2.053	0.085	0	0
SW	0.074	0.653	0.000	0	0
West	0.011	0.194	0	0.146	0.043
WNC	0	0.355	0.002	0	0
Total	0.486	8.710	1.603	0.211	0.043
% Total	4.39%	78.80%	14.51%	1.91%	0.39%

2006-2015					
WSL1	WSL2	WSL3	WSL4	WSL5	Total
0	2.330	0.157	0	0	2.487
0.136	0.504	0.162	0	0	0.802
0.002	1.296	0.295	0	0	1.594
0	0.122	0.016	0	0	0.138
0.106	1.900	0.410	0	0	2.416
0.337	1.696	0.105	0	0	2.138
0	0.728	0	0	0	0.728
0.004	0.350	0.038	0.005	0	0.397
0	0.373	0	0	0	0.373
0.584	9.299	1.184	0.005	0.000	11.073
5.28%	83.98%	10.70%	0.05%	0.00%	100.00%

Year	2016-2025				
Regions	WSL1	WSL2	WSL3	WSL4	WSL5
Central	0.122	0.067	2.298	0	0
ENC	0	0.091	0.711	0	0
NE	0.040	0.238	1.317	0	0
NW	0	0	0.138	0	0
SE	0	0.266	1.613	0.537	0
South	0	0.056	2.045	0.037	0
SW	0	0.039	0.689	0	0
West	0	0	0.397	0	0
WNC	0	0	0.373	0	0
Total	0.161	0.758	9.580	0.574	0.000
% Total	1.46%	6.84%	86.52%	5.18%	0.00%

2026-2035					
WSL1	WSL2	WSL3	WSL4	WSL5	Total
0	0	2.357	0.130	0	2.487
0	0	0.727	0.075	0	0.802
0	0	1.272	0.322	0	1.594
0.043	0.010	0.068	0.016	0	0.138
0	0	2.162	0.255	0	2.416
0.006	0.014	0.694	1.424	0	2.138
0.002	0.098	0.298	0.285	0.045	0.728
0	0.091	0.118	0.188	0	0.397
0	0	0.011	0.332	0.030	0.373
0.051	0.214	7.706	3.026	0.075	11.073
0.46%	1.93%	69.59%	27.33%	0.68%	100.00%





## Regions

