

# Supporting information for “Coastal eutrophication drives acidification, oxygen loss and ecosystem change in a major oceanic upwelling system”

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Terrestrial and Atmospheric Loads	
	Total Nitrogen loads (kg N d <sup>-1</sup> )
Atmospheric deposition	8,589
Rivers	17,975
Coastal outfalls, 4 large POTWs	148,170
Coastal outfalls, other small POTWs	21,445
Total	196,179

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	Surface total phytoplankton							
	CTRL	ANTH	Mean Change	% Change	CTRL (El Niño)	ANTH (El Niño)	Mean Change (El Niño)	% Change (El Niño)
All Coast [0-15 km]	8.75	11.77	3.01	+79	3.85	6.99	3.14	+129
Santa Barbara	15.51	15.66	0.14	+7.8	6.12	8.14	2.02	+56
Ventura	9.64	11.82	2.18	+44	4.13	6.59	2.45	+84
Santa Monica	8.70	13.22	4.51	+87	4.00	8.74	4.74	+162
Los Angeles	7.02	14.09	7.06	+192	3.31	9.51	6.19	+278
San Pedro	5.66	17.72	12.05	+367	2.81	12.61	9.80	+495
Orange County	4.45	6.66	2.20	+59	2.40	4.49	2.08	+97
San Diego North	4.80	7.22	2.41	+68	2.58	4.05	1.47	+62
San Diego South	6.25	9.59	3.33	+76	2.79	5.36	2.56	+125
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	15.16	15.51	0.34	+13	5.34	8.02	2.68	+71
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	8.37	11.25	2.87	+63	3.79	6.51	2.72	+102
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	5.65	11.60	5.95	+130	2.97	8.65	5.68	+210
MPA4: Laguna Beach and Dana Point	4.93	7.63	2.70	+74	2.52	5.61	3.08	+135
MPA5: South La Jolla	6.21	8.84	2.63	+57	2.95	4.41	1.45	+63
MPA6: Cabrillo	8.06	11.44	3.37	+57	3.30	5.55	2.24	+96

biomass (mg C m<sup>-3</sup>) (March-May)

**Table S2. Surface chlorophyll a concentration for the months of February to July, averaged by regions shown in Figure S2. The first column shows results from the CTRL simulation, the second column from the ANTH simulation, the third column the absolute difference (ANTH- CTRL), and the fourth column the relative difference expressed as percent (100\*[ANTH-CTRL]/CTRL).**

Total Primary Production ( $\text{mmol C m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ) (February-July, 0-40 m depth)				
	CTRL	ANTH	Abs Change	% Change
All Coast [0-15 km]	88.51	108.80	20.29	+23
Santa Barbara	129.19	140.89	11.69	+9
Ventura	92.79	110.08	17.29	+18
Santa Monica	85.63	121.89	36.25	+42
Los Angeles	76.05	114.65	38.59	+50
San Pedro	63.55	114.46	50.91	+80
Orange County	64.91	79.72	14.80	+22
San Diego North	73.54	86.42	12.88	+17
San Diego South	68.85	85.47	16.62	+24
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	117.90	132.94	15.03	+12
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	87.78	109.37	21.59	+24
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	82.05	119.81	37.76	+46
MPA4: Laguna Beach and Dana Point	77.94	103.39	25.45	+32
MPA5: South La Jolla	73.75	86.69	12.94	+17
MPA6: Cabrillo	56.07	70.17	14.10	+25

**Table S3. Same as Table S2 for the total primary production rate in the upper ocean (0-40 m depth).**

Particulate carbon export ( $\text{mmol C m}^{-2} \text{ d}^{-1}$ ) (May-August, at 40 m depth)				
	CTRL	ANTH	Abs Change	% Change
All Coast [0-15 km]	-16.29	-20.35	-4.06	+24
Santa Barbara	-22.67	-25.02	-2.34	+10
Ventura	-16.48	-19.77	-3.28	+19
Santa Monica	-15.92	-23.43	-7.50	+47
Los Angeles	-14.18	-22.42	-8.23	+58
San Pedro	-11.64	-23.07	-11.42	+98
Orange County	-12.74	-15.18	-2.44	+19
San Diego North	-14.42	-16.63	-2.21	+15
San Diego South	-13.91	-17.63	-3.72	+26
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	-21.38	-23.85	-2.47	+11
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	-16.17	-20.66	-4.49	+27
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	-14.72	-20.75	-6.03	+40
MPA4: Laguna Beach and Dana Point	-15.40	-20.18	-4.77	+30
MPA5: South La Jolla	-13.89	-17.46	-3.56	+25
MPA6: Cabrillo	-10.64	-13.93	-3.29	+30

**Table S4. Same as Table S2 except for particulate carbon export at 40 m depth and during the May-August (stratified) period.**

Respiration at depth ( $\text{mmol O m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$ ) (May-August, 40-80 m depth)				
	CTRL	ANTH	Abs Change	% Change
All Coast [0-15 km]	-6.40	-9.26	-2.86	+44
Santa Barbara	-11.85	-14.24	-2.38	+20
Ventura	-5.51	-8.24	-2.73	+49
Santa Monica	-7.93	-16.83	-8.90	+112
Los Angeles	-5.01	-10.59	-5.58	+111
San Pedro	-2.94	-6.00	-3.06	+104
Orange County	-3.06	-4.17	-1.10	+36
San Diego North	-5.86	-7.31	-1.45	+24
San Diego South	-4.09	-6.28	-2.19	+53
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	-11.12	-14.10	-2.98	+26
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	-5.07	-9.73	-4.66	+91
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	-6.20	-13.28	-7.08	+114
MPA4: Laguna Beach and Dana Point	-6.82	-10.70	-3.88	+56
MPA5: South La Jolla	-9.66	-14.36	-4.70	+48
MPA6: Cabrillo	-1.21	-1.61	-0.40	+32

**Table S5. Same as Table S4 for respiration rate at subsurface (40-80 m depth).**

Oxygen ( $\text{mmol O m}^{-3}$ ) (May-August, 40 m depth)						
	CTRL	ANTH	Mean Change	Maximum change	Mean change (El Niño)	Max change (El Niño)
All Coast [0-15 km]	223	222	-1	-50	-8	-55
Santa Barbara	199	197	-2	-59	-10	-49
Ventura	229	228	-2	-42	-7	-46
Santa Monica	230	222	-8	-51	-13	-56
Los Angeles	232	228	-4	-47	-10	-55
San Pedro	232	231	-1	-42	-8	-53
Orange County	238	237	-1	-49	-6	-58
San Diego North	229	228	-1	-42	-6	-60
San Diego South	224	220	-4	-43	-11	-71
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	207	205	-2	-60	-8	-43
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	231	229	-2	-40	-8	-49
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	231	229	-2	-42	-8	-51
MPA4: Laguna Beach and Dana Point	233	229	-4	-41	-8	-51
MPA5: South La Jolla	219	213	-6	-49	-10	-67
MPA6: Cabrillo	209	202	-7	-52	-14	-65

**Table S6. Oxygen averaged by regions of Figure S2 for the months of May to August. The first column shows average values from the CTRL simulation, the second column average values from the ANTH simulation, the third column the mean change (ANTH-CTRL), and the fourth column the maximum change, here defined as the 95th percentile of the frequency distribution of the change for each regions. The fifth column is the average change in May to August of El Niño year 1997-1998.**

CO <sub>2</sub> air-sea flux ( $\text{mmol C m}^{-2} \text{d}^{-1}$ ) (May-August)				
	CTRL	ANTH	Abs Change	% Change
All Coast [0-15 km]	1.21	1.76	0.54	+31
Santa Barbara	1.40	1.84	0.44	+23
Ventura	1.33	1.98	0.65	+32
Santa Monica	0.97	1.75	0.77	+44
Los Angeles	0.79	1.94	1.14	+58
San Pedro	0.64	2.10	1.46	+69
Orange County	0.70	0.93	0.22	+24
San Diego North	0.68	0.96	0.28	+29
San Diego South	0.71	0.92	0.21	+22

**Table S7. Same as Table S4 for CO<sub>2</sub> air-sea flux**

$\Omega_{Ar}$ (May-August, 40 m depth)						
	CTRL	ANTH	Mean Change	Maximum change	Mean change (El Niño)	Max change (El Niño)
All Coast [0-15 km]	1.66	1.64	-0.016	-0.47	-0.11	-0.63
Santa Barbara	1.42	1.41	-0.011	-0.53	-0.11	-0.59
Ventura	1.71	1.70	-0.006	-0.41	-0.10	-0.53
Santa Monica	1.74	1.66	-0.08	-0.49	-0.15	-0.63
Los Angeles	1.74	1.70	-0.04	-0.46	-0.12	-0.61
San Pedro	1.73	1.72	-0.01	-0.41	-0.10	-0.60
Orange County	1.79	1.79	-0.006	-0.48	-0.09	-0.69
San Diego North	1.70	1.70	-0.001	-0.42	-0.10	-0.71
San Diego South	1.66	1.62	-0.038	-0.42	-0.14	-0.77
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	1.50	1.48	-0.017	-0.58	-0.10	-0.56
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	1.73	1.72	-0.017	-0.39	-0.11	-0.56
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	1.72	1.70	-0.02	-0.41	-0.11	-0.56
MPA4: Laguna Beach and Dana Point	1.74	-0.03	-0.08	-0.41	-0.11	-0.58
MPA5: South La Jolla	1.60	1.55	-0.05	-0.46	-0.12	-0.76
MPA6: Cabrillo	1.52	1.46	-0.05	-0.10	-0.16	-0.79

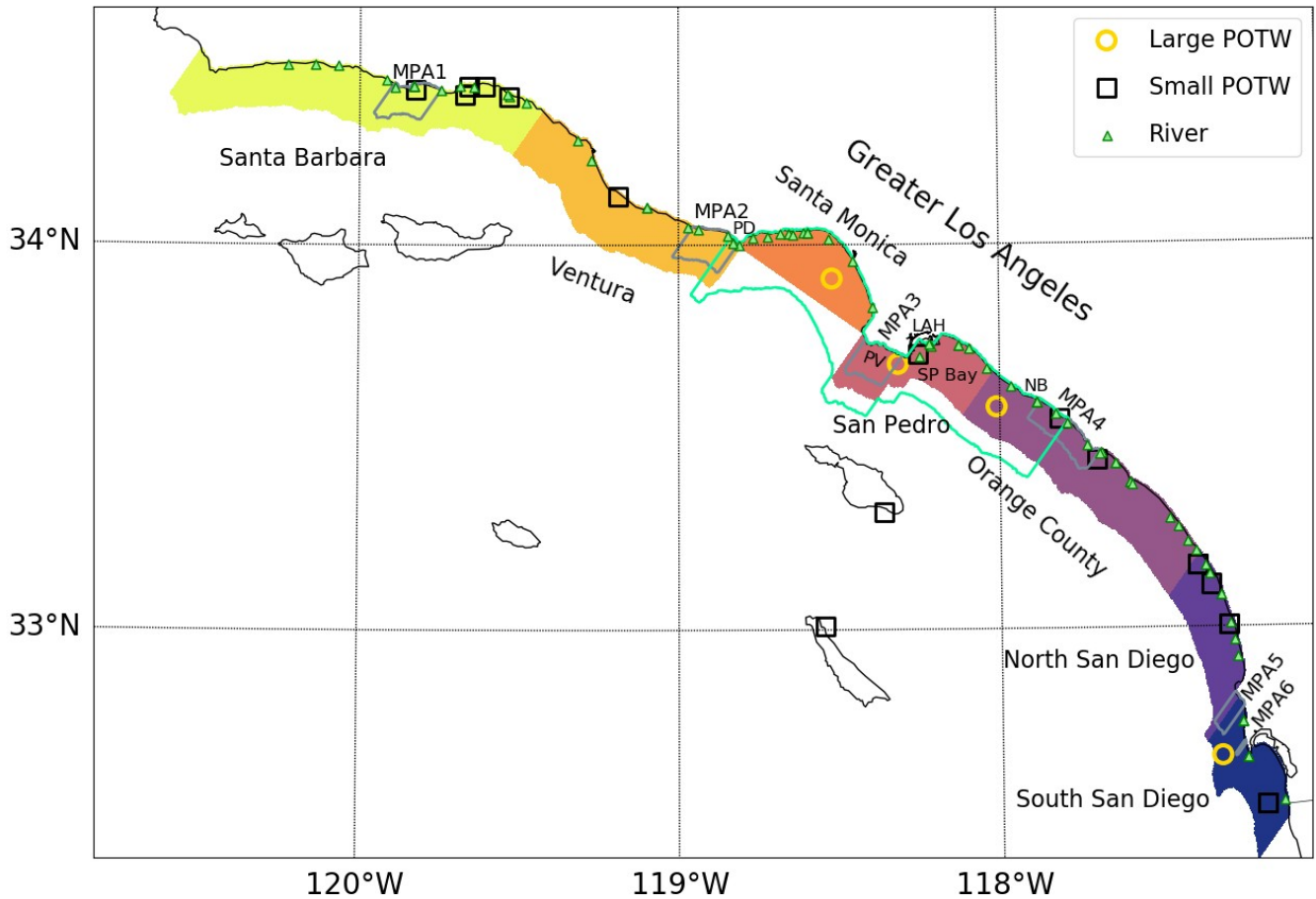
**Table S8.** Same as Table S6 for  $\Omega_{Ar}$ .

pH (May-August, 40 m depth)						
	CTRL	ANTH	Mean Change	Maximum change	Mean change (El Niño)	Max change (El Niño)
All Coast [0-15 km]	7.97	7.97	-0.0043	-0.09	-0.012	-0.10
Santa Barbara	7.92	7.92	-0.002	-0.10	-0.014	-0.08
Ventura	7.99	7.98	-0.003	-0.08	-0.01	-0.08
Santa Monica	7.99	7.97	-0.017	-0.10	-0.02	-0.10
Los Angeles	7.99	7.98	-0.01	-0.09	-0.014	-0.10
San Pedro	7.99	7.99	-0.004	-0.08	-0.01	-0.09
Orange County	8.02	8.00	-0.003	-0.09	-0.008	-0.10
San Diego North	7.99	7.99	0.00	-0.08	-0.01	-0.10
San Diego South	7.98	7.97	-0.007	-0.08	-0.0173	-0.12
MPA1: Campus Point Santa Barbara	7.94	7.94	-0.0031	-0.09	-0.01	-0.07
MPA2: Point Dume Santa Monica	7.99	7.98	-0.0059	-0.08	-0.01	-0.09
MPA3: Point Vicente and Abalone Cove	7.99	7.98	-0.0059	-0.08	-0.01	-0.09
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MPA5: South La Jolla	7.97	7.96	-0.02	-0.10	-0.01	-0.12
MPA6: Cabrillo	7.95	7.94	-0.02	-0.097	-0.02	-0.11

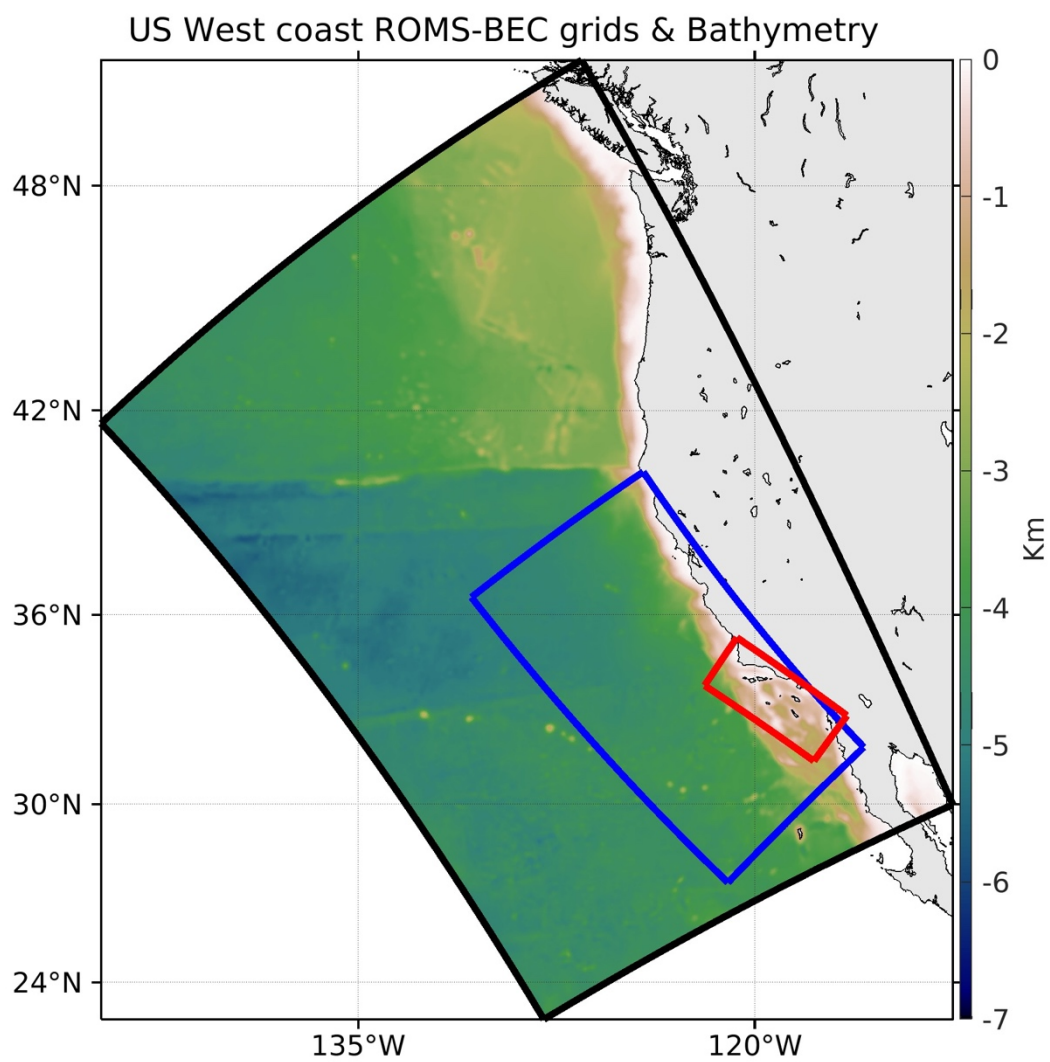
**Table S9.** Same as Table S6 for pH (Sea water scale).

	CTRL	ANTH	Abs Change	% Change
All Coast [0-15 km]	3.10	3.34	0.24	+8
Santa Barbara	5	5.35	0.35	+7
Ventura	3.14	3.37	0.22	+7
Santa Monica	2.27	2.56	0.29	+13
Los Angeles	1.95	2.19	0.24	+12
San Pedro	1.68	1.87	0.2	+12
Orange County	1.24	1.35	0.1	+8
San Diego North	1.25	1.38	0.12	+10
San Diego South	1.59	1.8	0.20	+13

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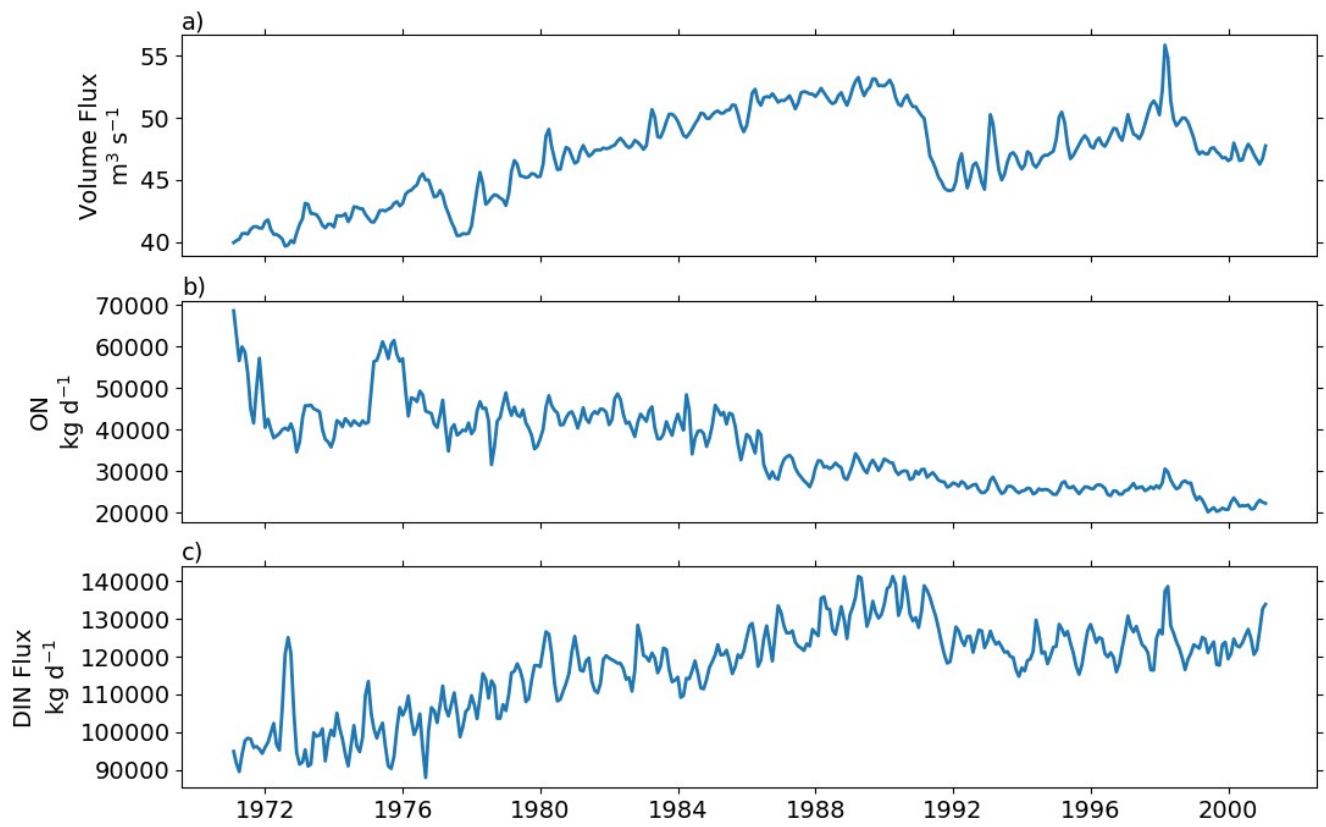


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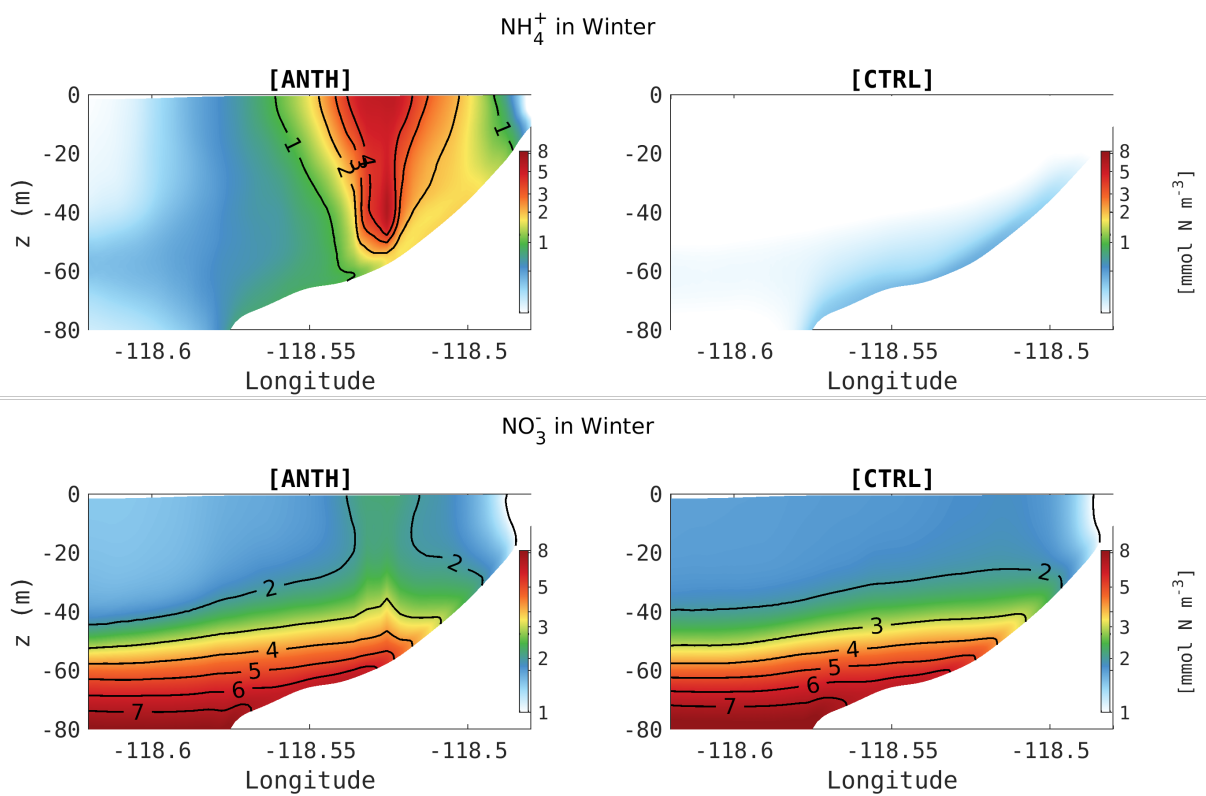


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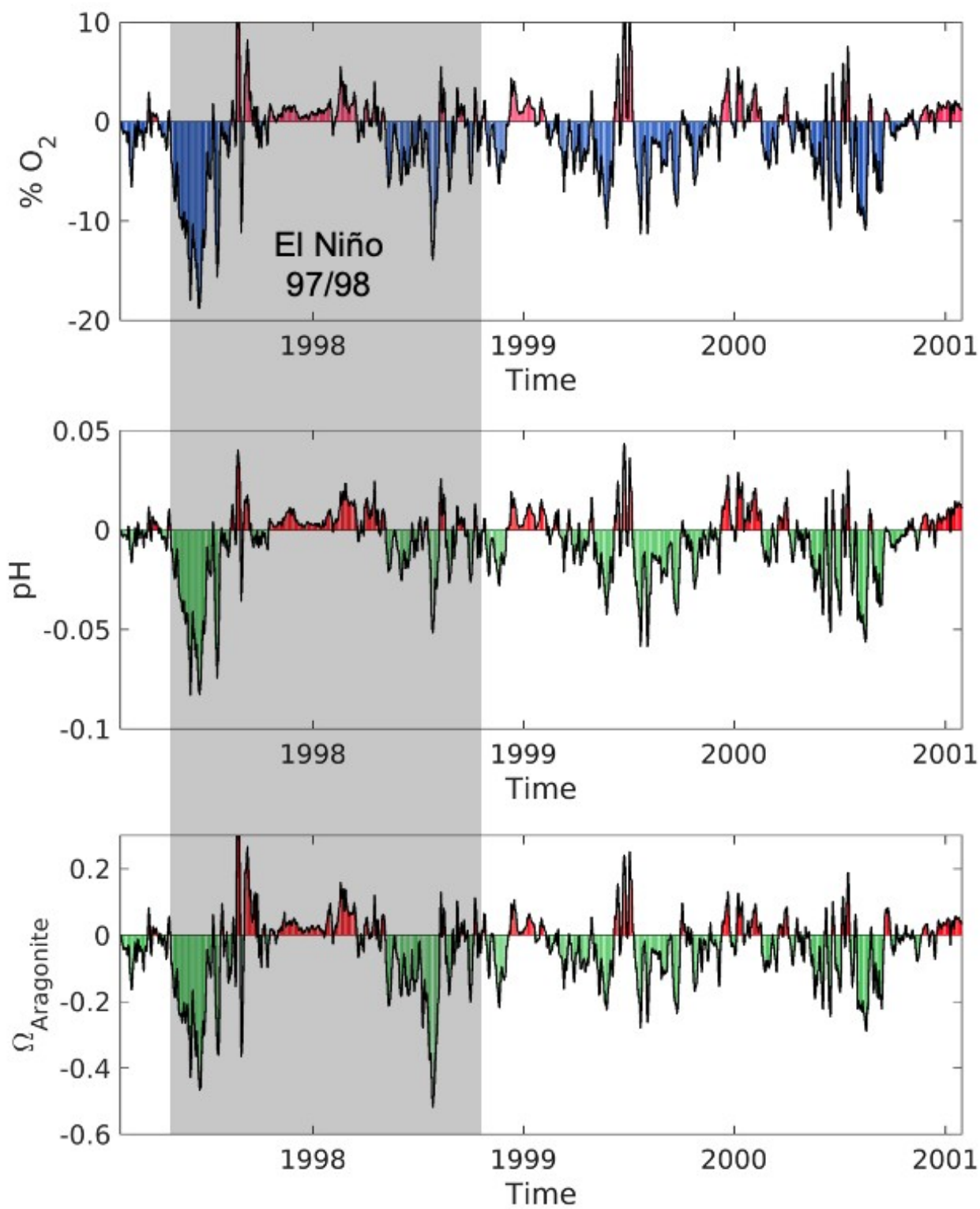




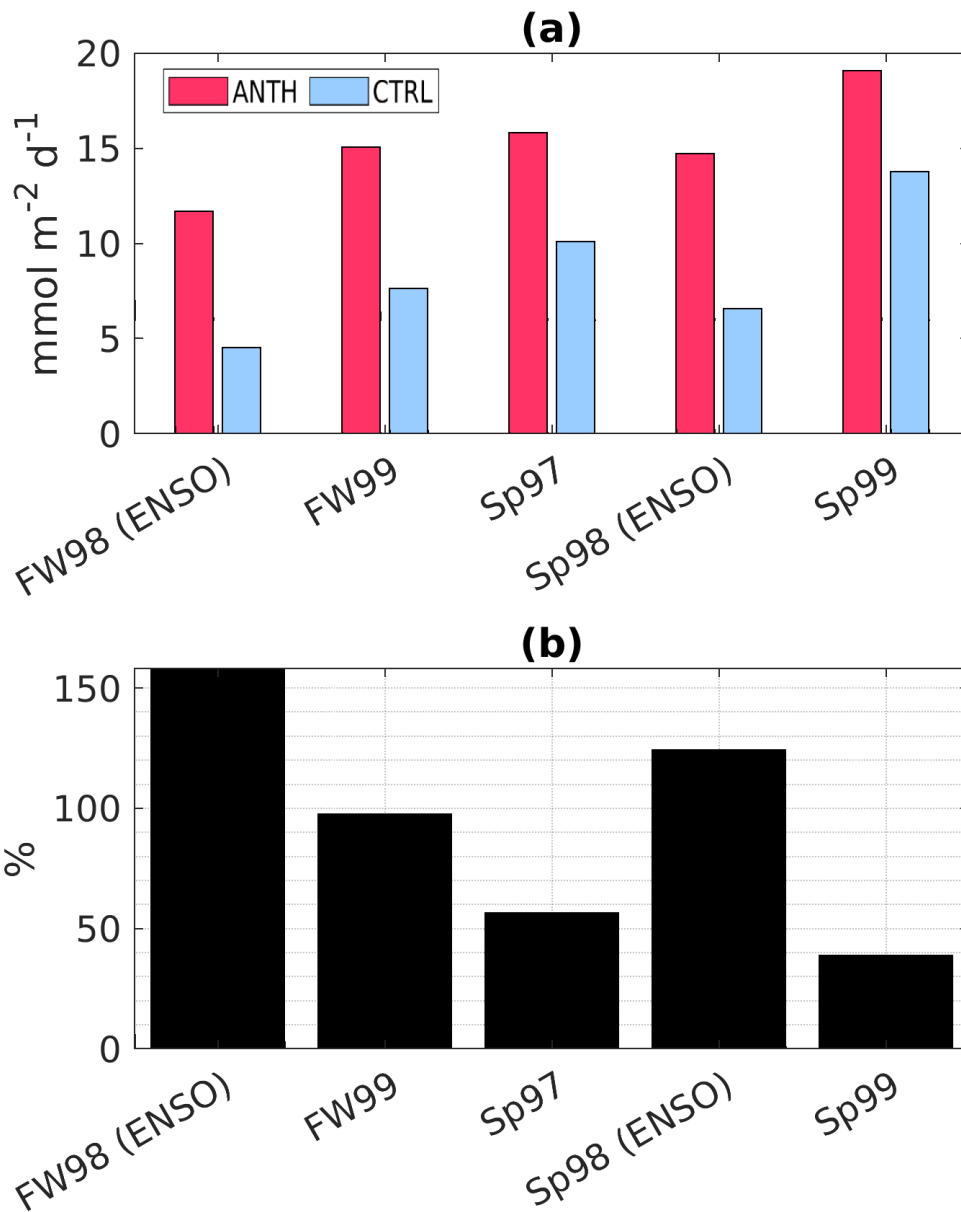
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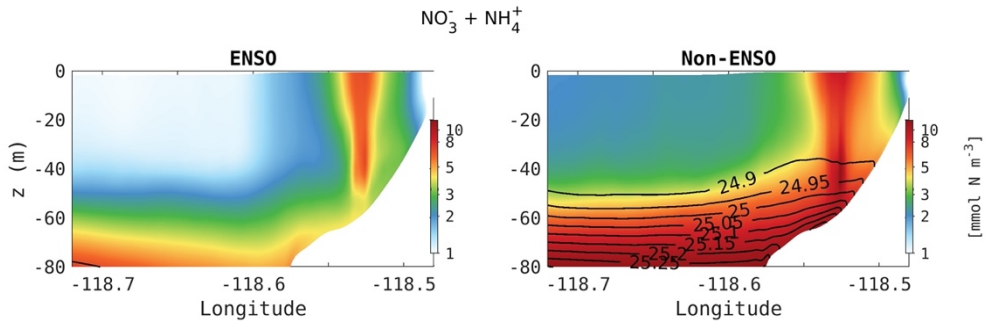
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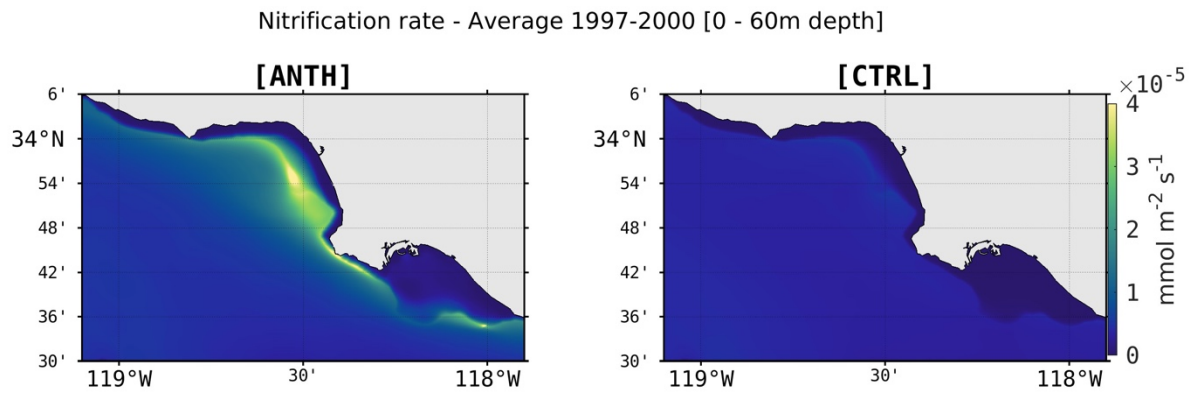
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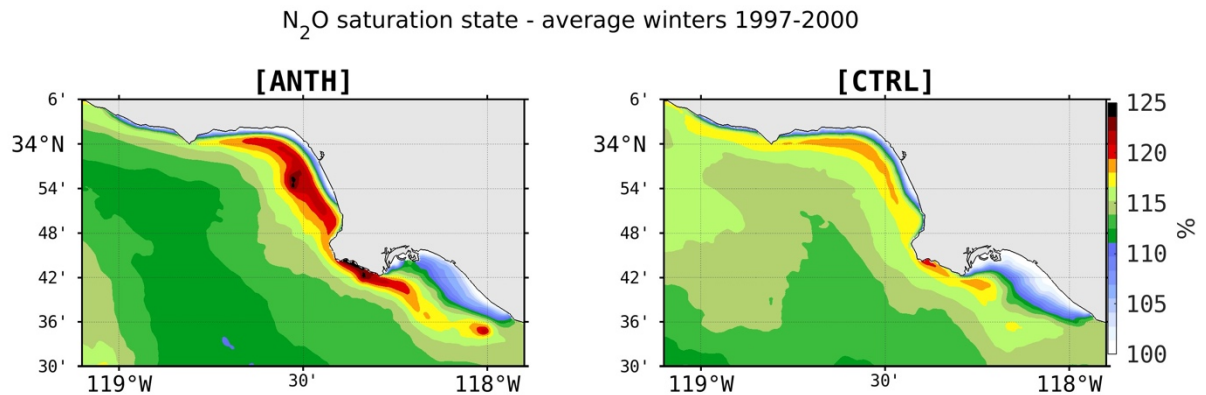
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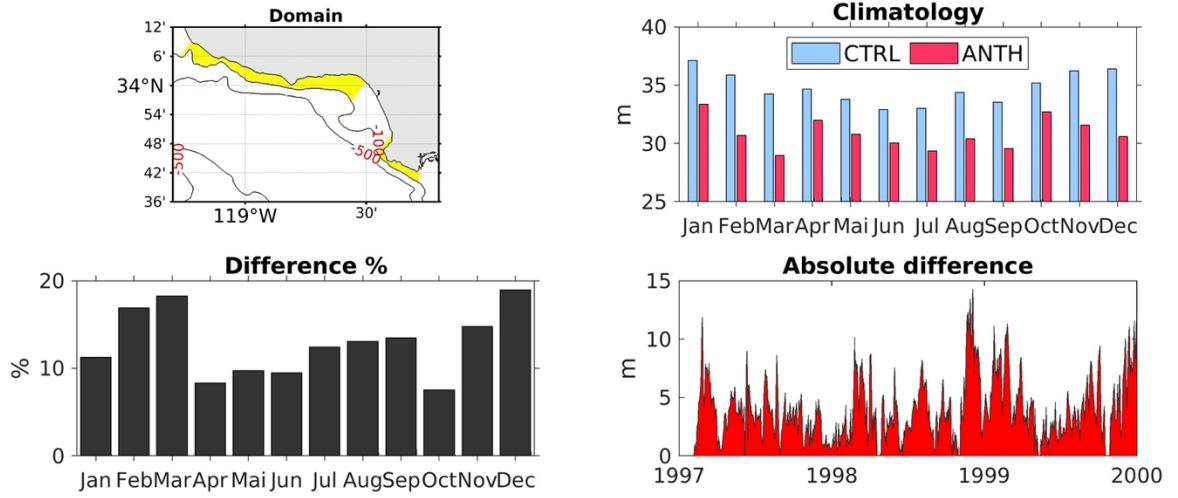


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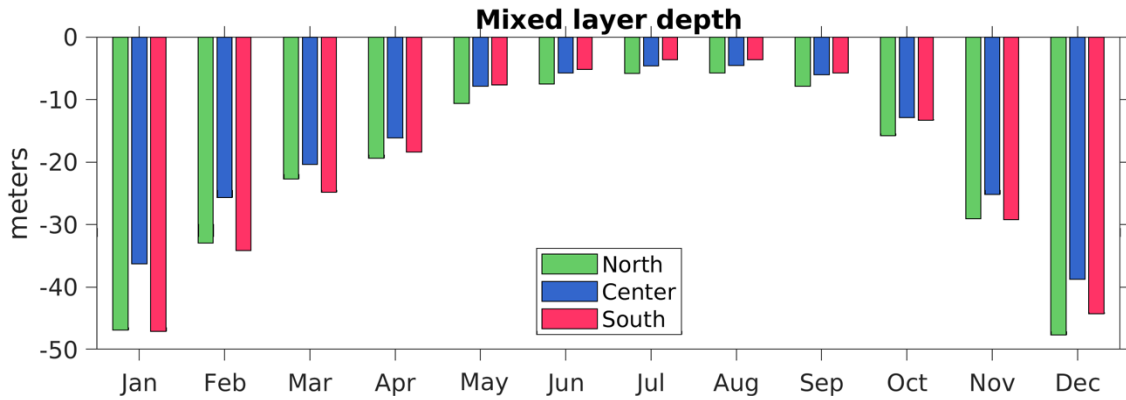


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