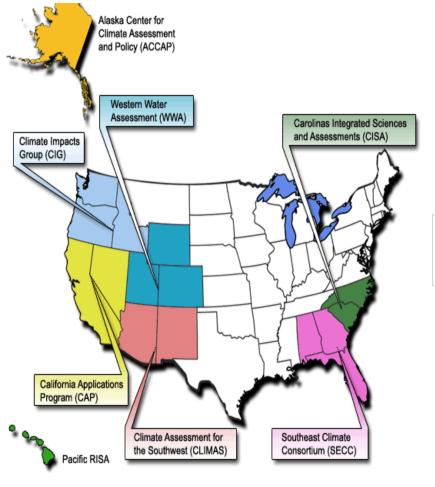
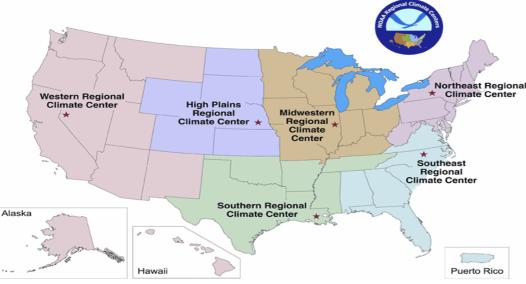
# NOAA Regional Climate Centers

Working with NOAA partners to deliver climate services at regional levels for user-centric products, applications, interdisciplinary research, applications, and education that provide a regional focus to addressing societal needs.

## **NOAA/NESDIS** Regional Climate Centers

### and NOAA/OAR Research





MRCC Illinois State Water Survey,

**University of Illinois - Urbana** 

**SERCC** University of North Carolina,

**Chapel Hill** 

SRCC Louisiana State University,

**Baton Rouge, LA** 

WRCC Desert Research Institute,

University of Nevada, Reno

NRCC Cornell University, Ithaca, NY

**HPRCC** University of Nebraska -Lincoln

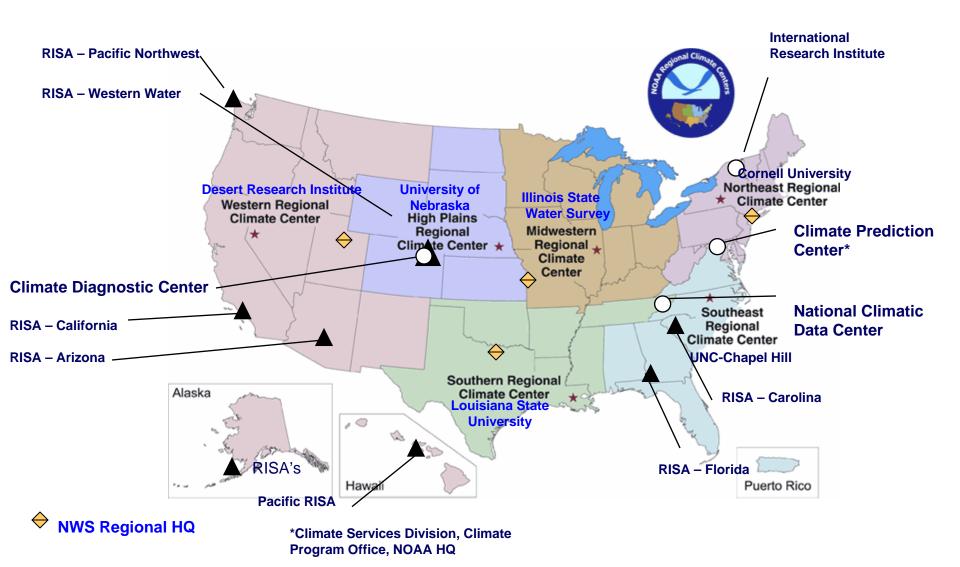
# NOAA Regional Climate Centers RCC History and Program Management

- Response to National Climate Program Act of 1978
- Three demonstration projects 1981-1986
- Congressionally directed funds 1986
  - Western RCC Desert Research Institute 1987
  - Midwestern RCC Illinois State Water Survey 1988
  - High Plains RCC University of Nebraska 1988
  - Northeast RCC Cornell University 1989
  - Southeast RCC South Carolina Dept. Natural Resources 1990
  - (Now University of North Carolina Chapel Hill)
  - Southern RCC Louisiana State University 1990
- National Climate Program Office 1988-1991
- National Weather Service 1991-1997
- National Climatic Data Center 1997-present

# NOAA Regional Climate Centers RCC Functions – Climate Services

- Provide general and user-defined regional and local climate products and services to external users and partners including:
  - near-real time relational database system,
  - web-based information resources.
- Provide regional and local expertise and assistance to a wide range of customers.
- Climate services tasks are iterative and evolutionary
  - Specific on-line climate information and data archival and access capabilities grow from user and partner interests and needs.
- Infrastructure strengthening
  - Specialized climate service personnel recruitment and training

# Climate Services Partnerships The NOAA Community



## NOAA/NESDIS/NCDC/RCC Climate Assessment Research

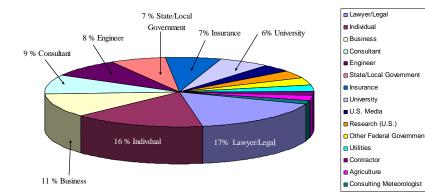


## **NOAA Regional Climate Centers**

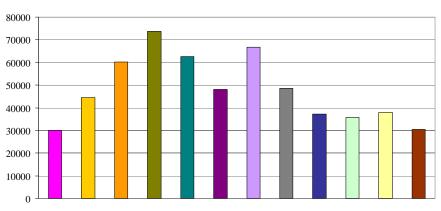
### Service Research, Education and Outreach

Regional Climate Centers' Customers

- Conduct outreach to regional and local decision makers on the use of climate products.
  - Building design (snow loads, soil freezing),
  - Flood management,
  - Irrigation,
  - Pest management
  - Coastal erosion
  - Water management
  - Agriculture
  - Climate change
  - Energy
  - Environment
  - Risk management
  - Transportation
  - Natural hazards



#### **Regional Climate Centers Customers Served On-line**

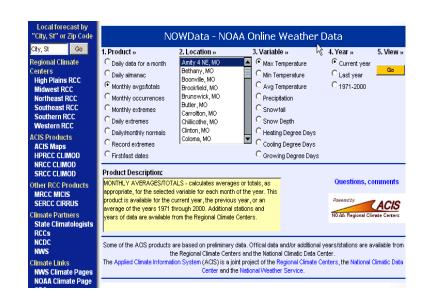


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# NCDC-RCC-NWS Collaboration National Climate Services Data Tools

- xmACIS (NWS Field Office Use)
  - Applied Climate Information System
  - Data query tool for NWS local climate research/local product development, and to answer customer climate record inquiries
  - Complete historical climate database with near real-time update
- agACIS (Custom data and products for the NCRS)
- NOWData (Customer Use)
  - Self-service tool
  - Subset of xmACIS
  - Free, limited access
  - For current year and Normals
  - Portal for ACIS and NCDC information
- ThreadEx (Open Use)
  - Consistent daily temperature and precipitation extremes
- Datzilla (Partner Use)
  - Data discrepancy reporting
  - 400 registered NOAA users
- WxCoder III (COOP Use)
  - Internet observation entry system

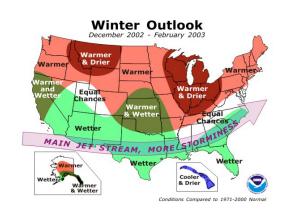




## Climate Services & Supporting Research NESDIS & NOS Climatologies

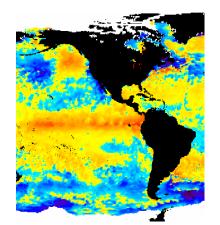
**Objective:** Develop a series of coastal climatologies that build on traditional air climatology, add marine parameters, and lead to products used by state and local managers faced with decisions that have climate-related components.

**Goal**: Conduct a pilot study focusing on the southeastern U.S., from Virginia to the Atlantic coast of Florida. Parameters of coastal climatology, and geographic and temporal scale that parameters will be reported and examined, will depend upon "core" uses of this information by managers.



### **Actions:**

- Conduct stakeholders workshop (Q3)
- Produce report describing core uses to guide development of data, tools, and applications of coastal climatology in southeast U.S. (Q4)
  - ✓ Core uses will include: mock-ups of applications from fishery management, mitigation of hazards, agriculture, energy conservation, water consumption, storm water management, and coastal inter-modal transportation



# Climate Services & Supporting Research Climate and Weather Impacts on Society and the Environment (CWISE)

**Objective**: Conduct research to better assess the impacts of climate variability and weather events on natural systems and society.

**Goal:** Provide information, services and products to mitigate against environmental, economic, ecosystem health and human health impacts related to extreme climate conditions and atmospheric storms.

### Actions:

- Host user workshop
- Begin development of coastal climatology
- Initial focus on North and South Carolina
- Award NOAA cooperative agreement
- Establish partnerships and begin to engage potential users

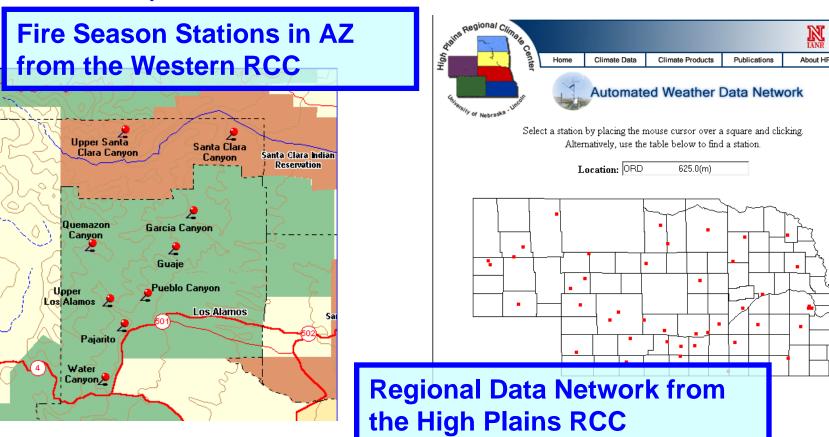




### **Optimizing Climate Services Partnerships**

### **Partnering with Regional Climate Centers**

Examples: DATA





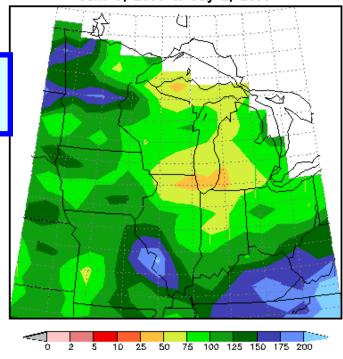
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**Examples:** SERVICE

Real-Time Regional Mapping from the Midwestern RCC

Total Precipitation Percent of Mean June 3, 2003 to July 2, 2003



Midwestern Regional Climate Center Illinois State Water Survey Champaign, Illinois



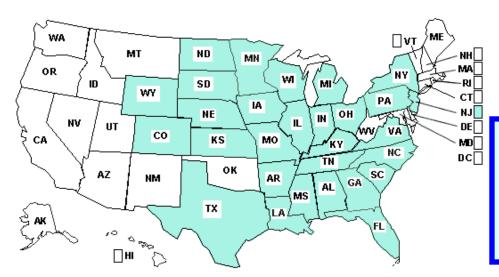
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### Partnership Examples: RESEARCH

West Nile Virus in the United States as of July 2, 2003\*

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West Nile Virus Research
Midwestern RCC
Northeast RCC
Southeastern RCC

Verified avian, animal, or mosquito infections during 2003





# NIDIS Interagency Partners Federal, State, Tribal, Local Levels

- <u>U.S. Department of Agriculture (USDA):</u> Agricultural Research Service, Cooperative State Research, Education, Farm Service Agency, Forest Service, National Agricultural Statistics Service, Natural Resources Conservation Service, Risk Management Agency
- <u>U.S. Department of Commerce (DoC):</u> International Trade Administration, National Oceanic & Atmospheric Administration
- <u>U.S. Department of Energy (DoE):</u> Office of Electricity Delivery and Energy Reliability, Office of Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy, Office of Science
- <u>U.S. Department of Homeland Security (DHS):</u> Federal Emergency Management (FEMA) Directorate
- <u>U.S. Department of the Interior (Dol):</u> Bureau of Indian Affairs, Bureau of Land Management, Bureau of Reclamation, National Park Service, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, U.S. Geological Survey,
- <u>U.S. Department of Transportation (DoT):</u> Federal Aviation Administration, Federal Highway Administration, Surface Transportation Board
- Environmental Protection Agency (EPA), Farm Credit Administration (FCA), Federal Energy Regulatory

  Commission (FERC), Internal Revenue Services, International Trade Commission (USITC), National Aeronautics
  and Space Administration (NASA), National Science Foundation (NSF), Small Business Administration (SBA)
- <u>Western Governors' Association</u> a key sponsor of early NIDIS development efforts and ongoing concerns
- Western States Water Council represents water managers in the Western United States
- <u>Regional Climate Centers collection, quality control, and analysis of data, weekly input to the Drought Monitor and Drought impact Reporter</u>
- <u>National Conference of State Legislatures</u> drought monitoring and mitigation activities will require state support, of which much requires state legislative involvement
- National League of Cities water availability and quality issues
- American Association of State Climatologists many of whom are active participants in the Drought Monitor
- <u>National Drought Mitigation Center</u> A national clearinghouse for Redrought-related information, research, mitigation measures, and operational home of the Drought Monitor and Drought Impact Reporter;
- <u>Native American tribal governments</u> mostly located in arid regions in which water is a vital concern











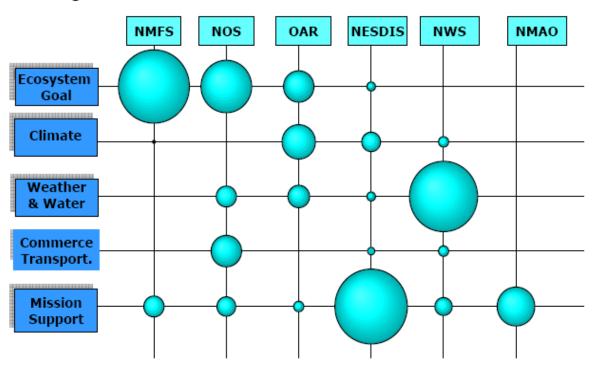




### **NOAA** "Partnerships" in Climate

### Three Line Organizations Budget climate

Figure II.C.2. NOAA's matrix structure integrating line offices and goal teams.



symbol area proportional to 2005 budget

