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A global-scale evaluation of extreme event uncertainty in the *eartH2Observe* project

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3 **Supplementary information**
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5 *Data and code availability*

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7 All simulation data have been made publicly-available through a Water Cycle Integrator portal (WCI) at
8 <https://wci.earth2observe.eu/>. Requests for further data are very welcome and may be addressed to the
9 corresponding author.

10 Global maps were calculated for sections of the globe using a custom script written in Python v.2.7.5
11 and then knitted together using NetCDF Operators (NCO) Tools (Zender, 2008) called from a custom script
12 written in R v.3.5.1 (R Core Team, 2018) (scripts are available on request from the corresponding author).
13 Visualisations were created using Panoply v.4.4.1 and R v.3.5.1 (R Core Team, 2018).

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15 *Uncertainty maps*
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18 Absolute uncertainty numbers may not be comparable between this study and other simulations, but our
19 results give a first estimate of the relative uncertainties of predictions from particular models and precipitation
20 products of evapotranspiration highs (Fig. S1), evapotranspiration lows (Fig. S2), runoff highs (Fig. S3) and
21 runoff lows (Fig. S4).
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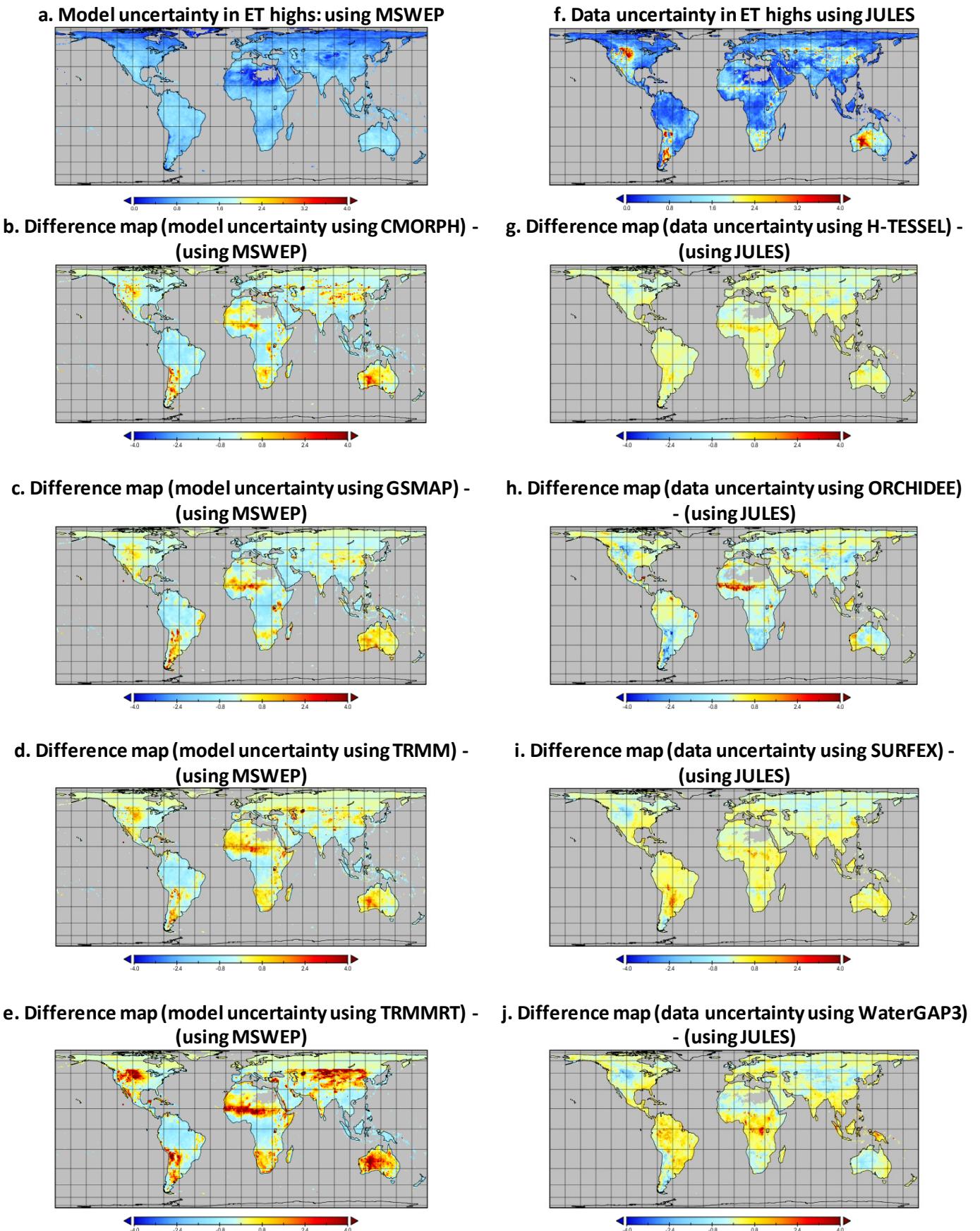


Fig. S1: Evapotranspiration (ET) highs. Note the differing scales: plots in top row scale ranges 0.0-4.0 extreme events per year (EE/yr) while the remaining rows ranging -4.0 to 4.0 EE/yr.

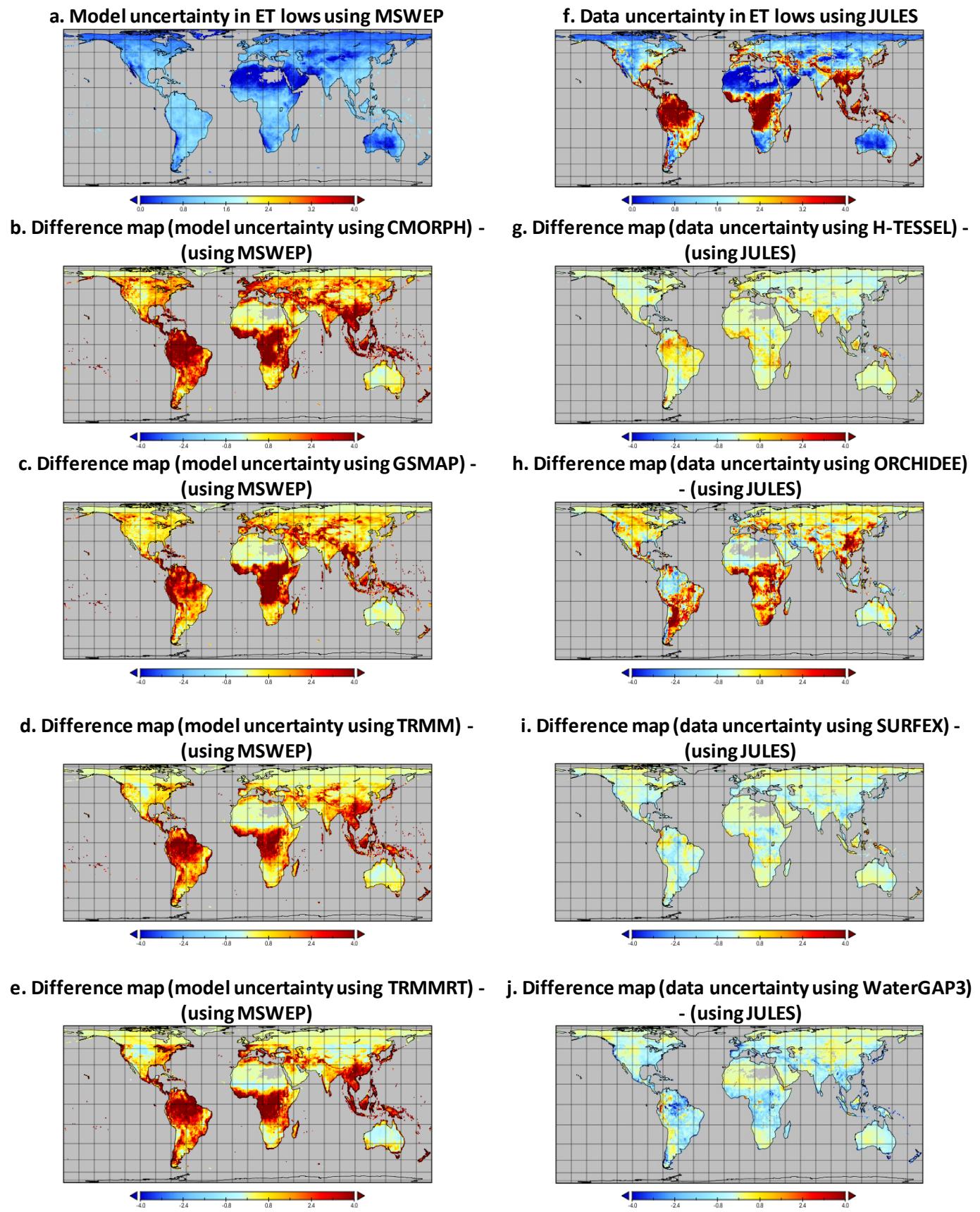
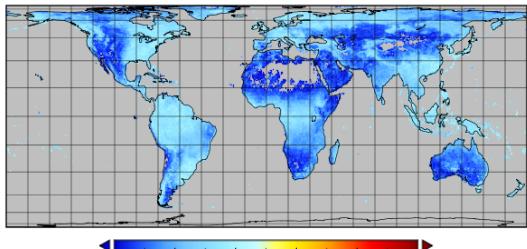
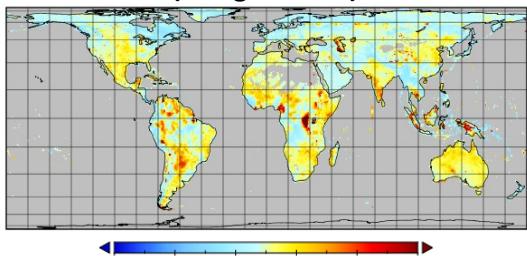


Fig. S2: Evapotranspiration (ET) lows. Note the differing scales: plots in top row scale ranges 0.0-4.0 extreme events per year (EE/yr) while the remaining rows ranging -4.0 to 4.0 EE/yr.

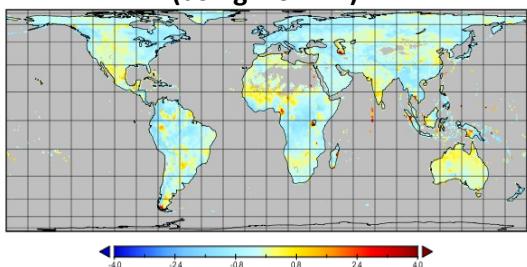
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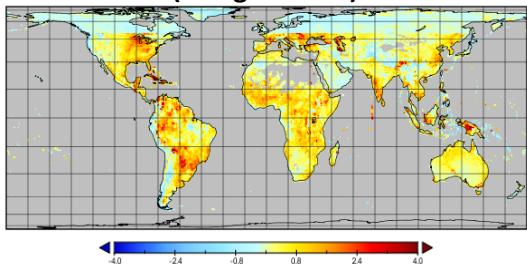
30 **b. Difference map (model uncertainty using CMORPH) -
31 (using MSWEP)**



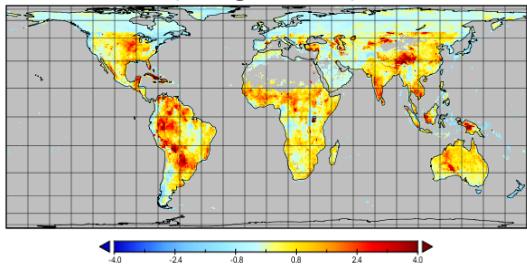
**c. Difference map (model uncertainty using GSMAP) -
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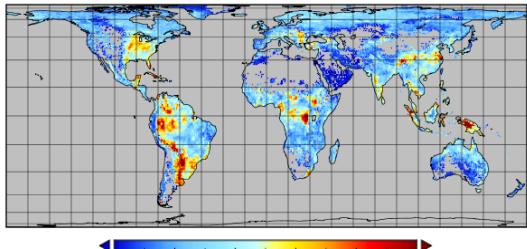
**d. Difference map (model uncertainty using TRMM) -
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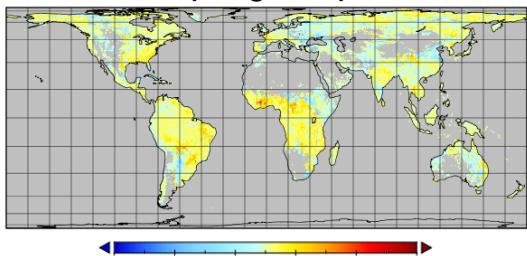
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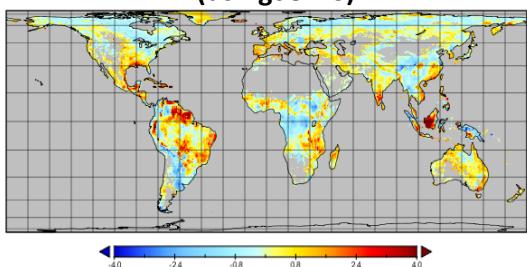
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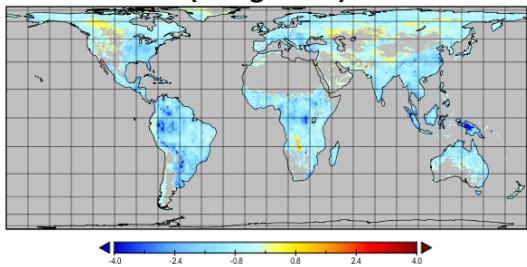
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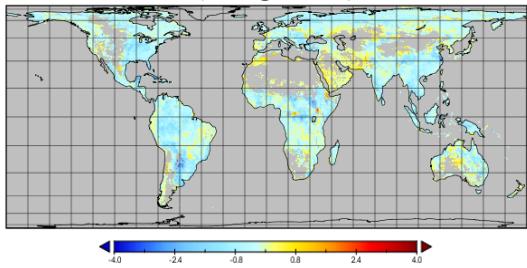
**h. Difference map (data uncertainty using ORCHIDEE) -
(using JULES)**



**i. Difference map (data uncertainty using SURFEX) -
(using JULES)**



**j. Difference map (data uncertainty using WaterGAP3) -
(using JULES)**



29 **Fig. S3:** Runoff highs. Note the differing scales: plots in top row scale ranges 0.0-4.0 extreme events per
30 years (EE/yr) while the remaining rows ranging -4.0 to 4.0 EE/yr.
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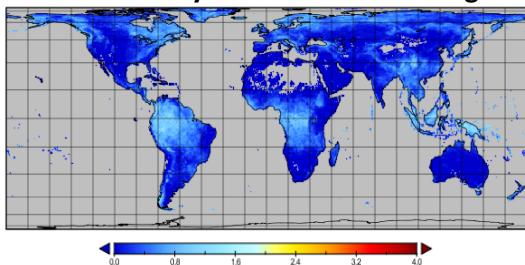
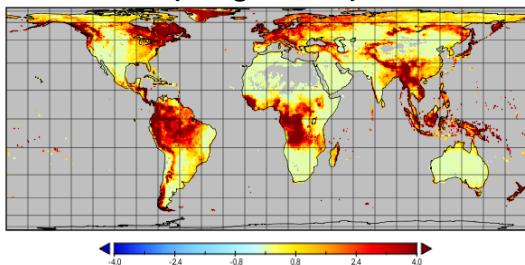
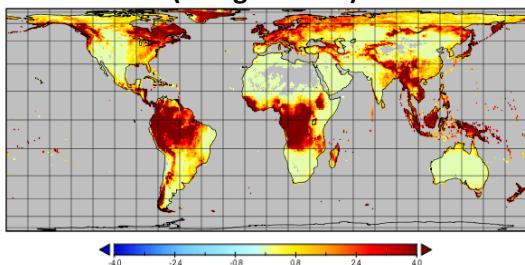
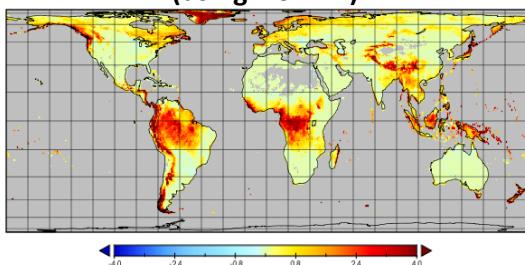
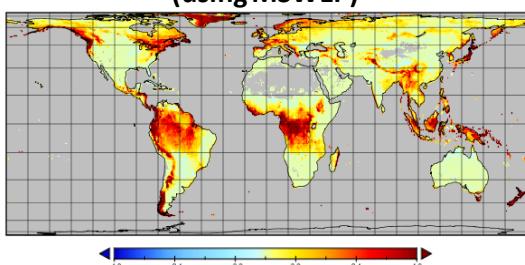
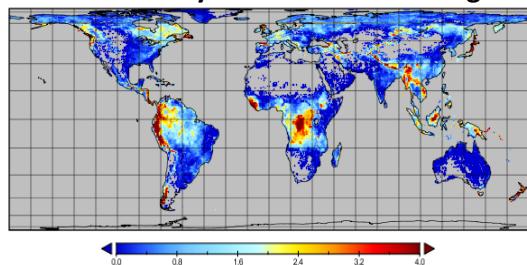
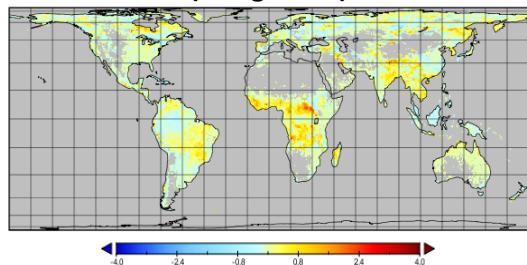
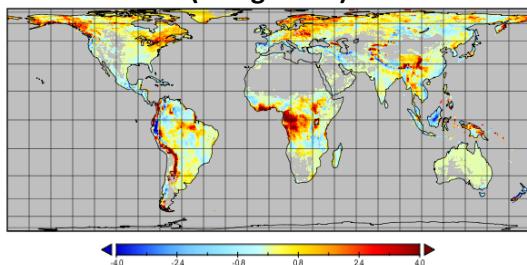
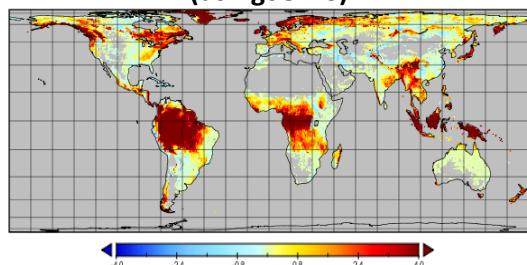
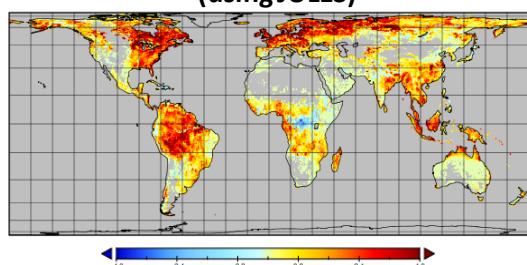
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Fig. S4: Runoff lows. Note the differing scales: plots in top row scale ranges 0.0-4.0 extreme events per year (EE/yr) while the remaining rows ranging -4.0 to 4.0 EE/yr.

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