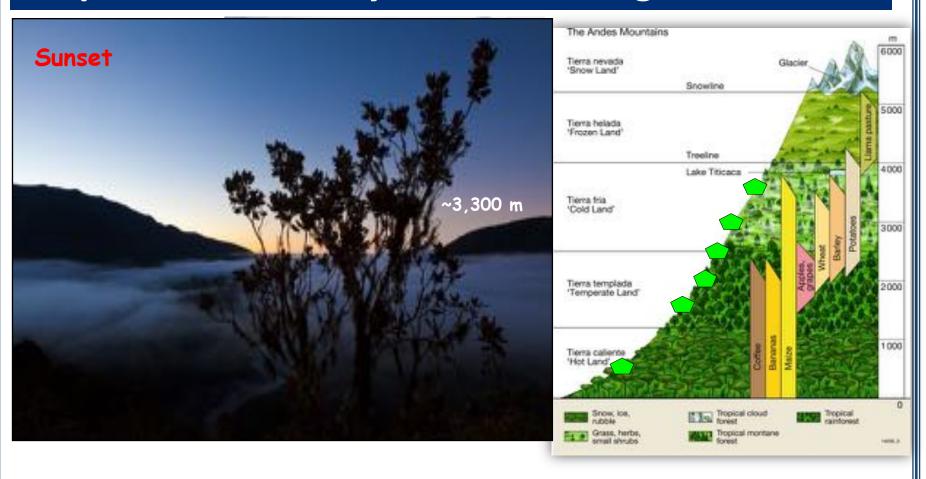
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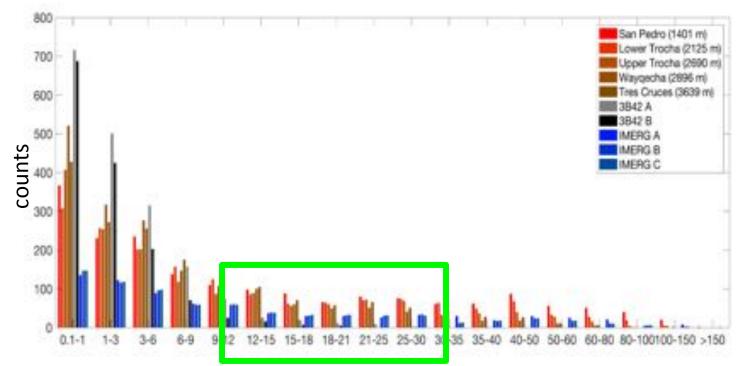


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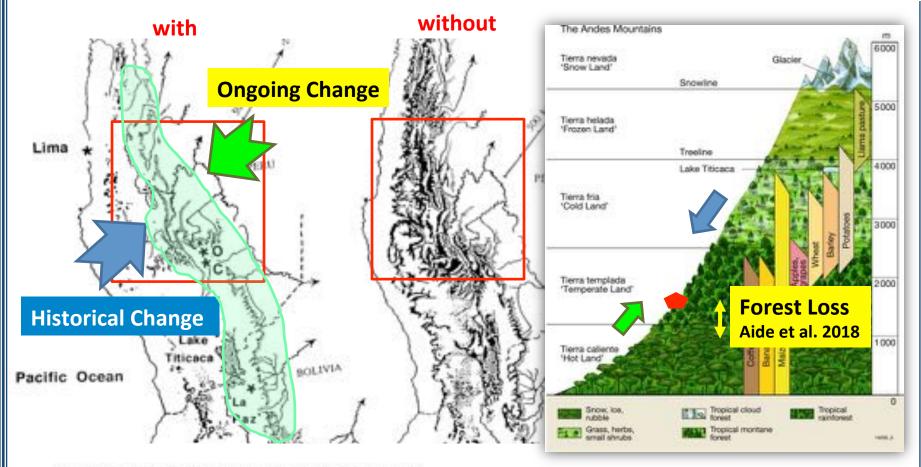
#### Kosñipata Valley Raingauge Transect - Orographic Envelope



[mm/hr

#### **Anthropogenic Land-Use Land-Cover Change**





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#### ☐ Land-Atmosphere Interactions in Mountainous Regions

#### **ET-P Feedback**

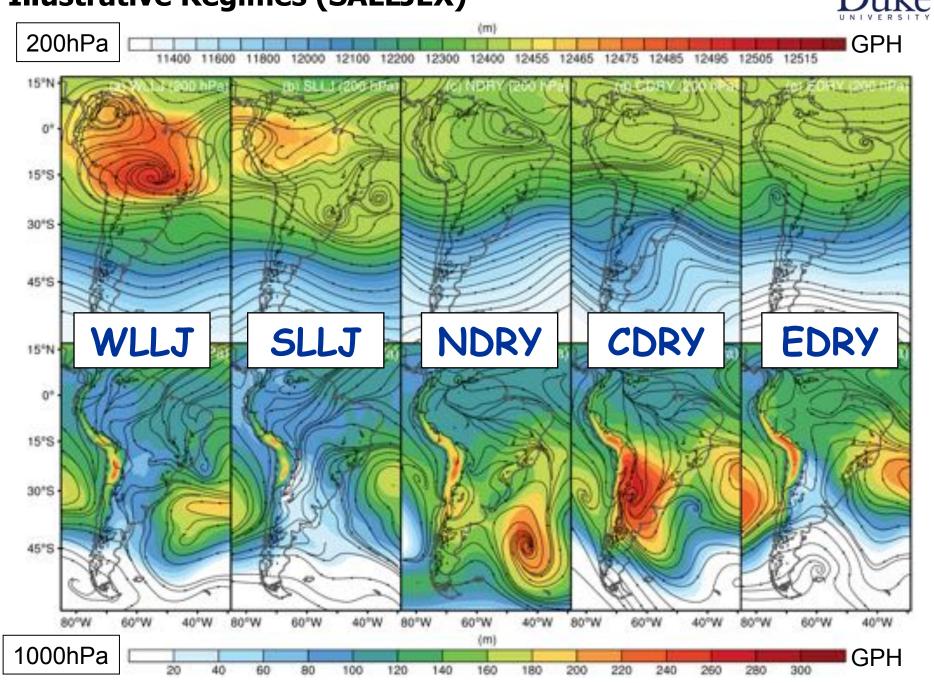
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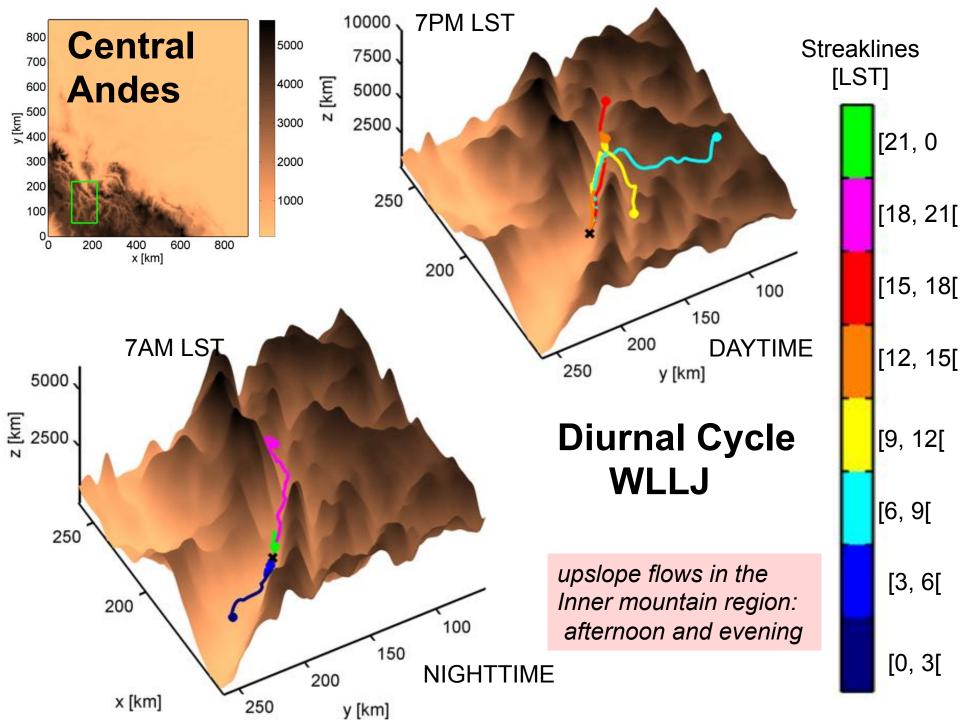
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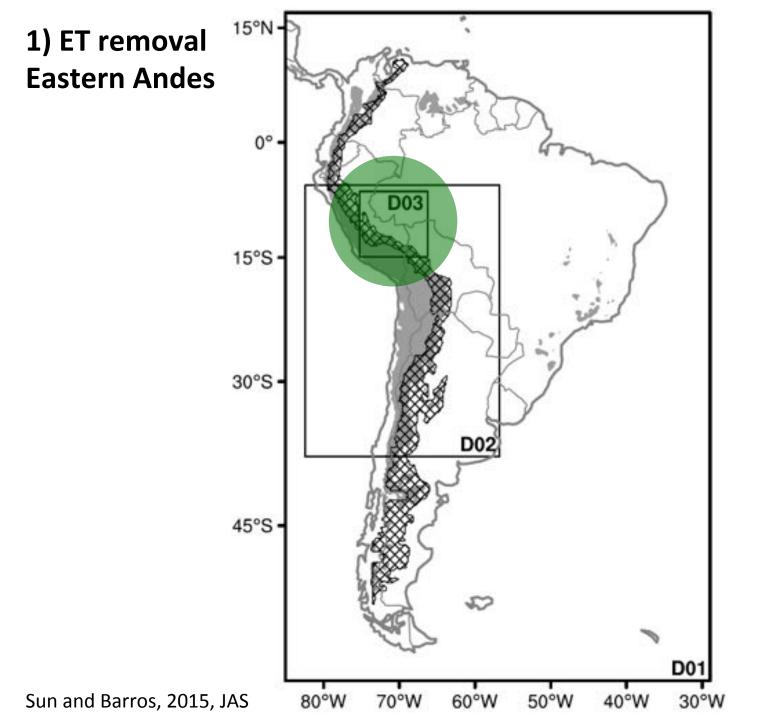
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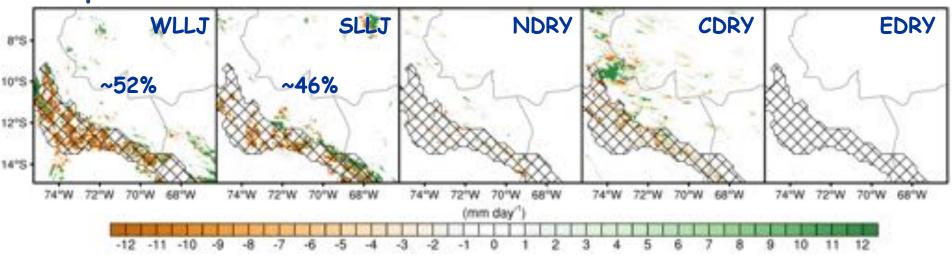




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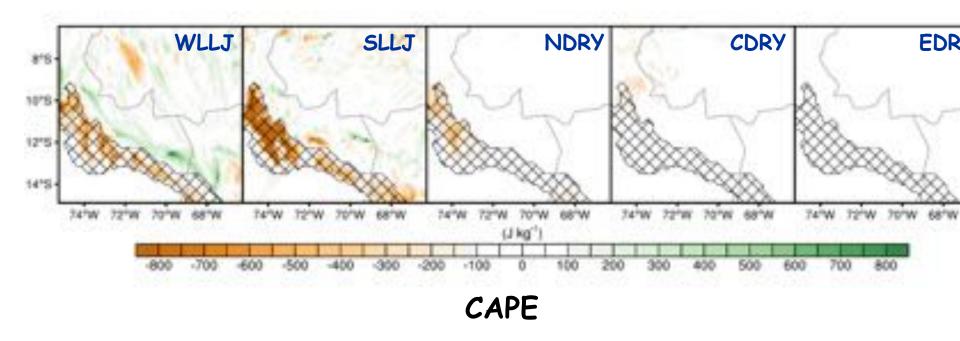
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Sensitivity is higher for "rain producing " scenarios ..... Positive feedback

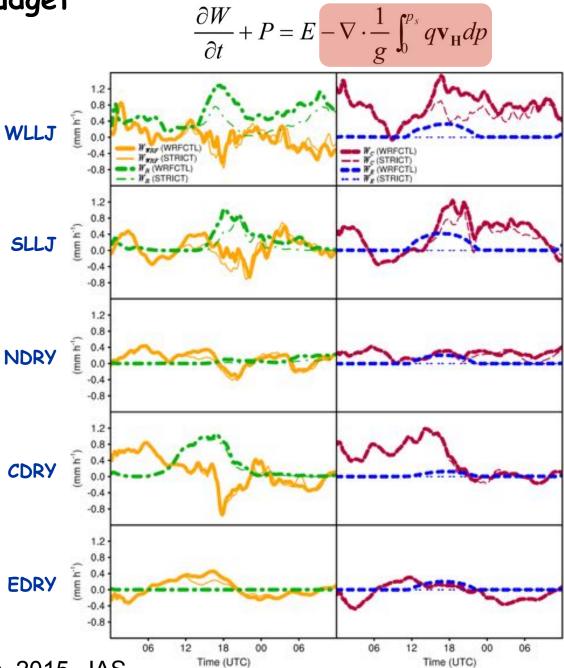


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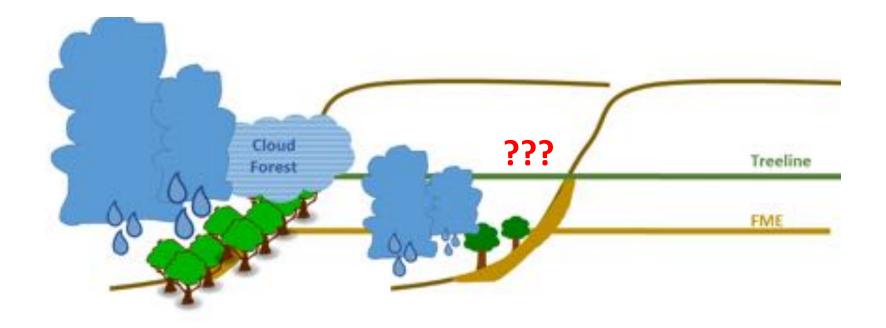
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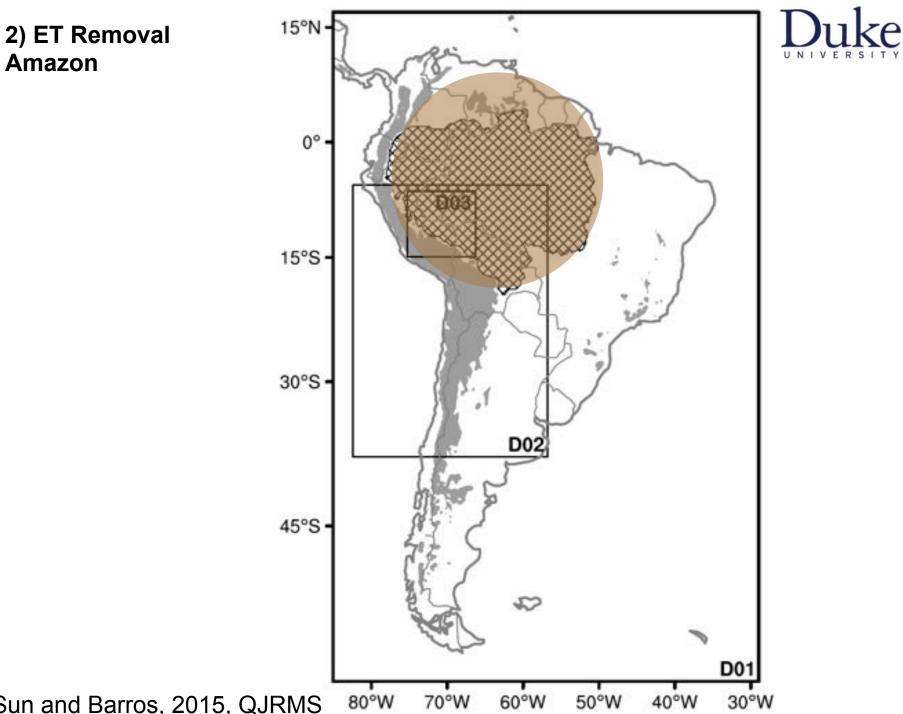


### Reduced Upslope Moisture Convergence (Alpine Pumping)



**Squeeze of Orographic Freshwater Harvesting Zone** 

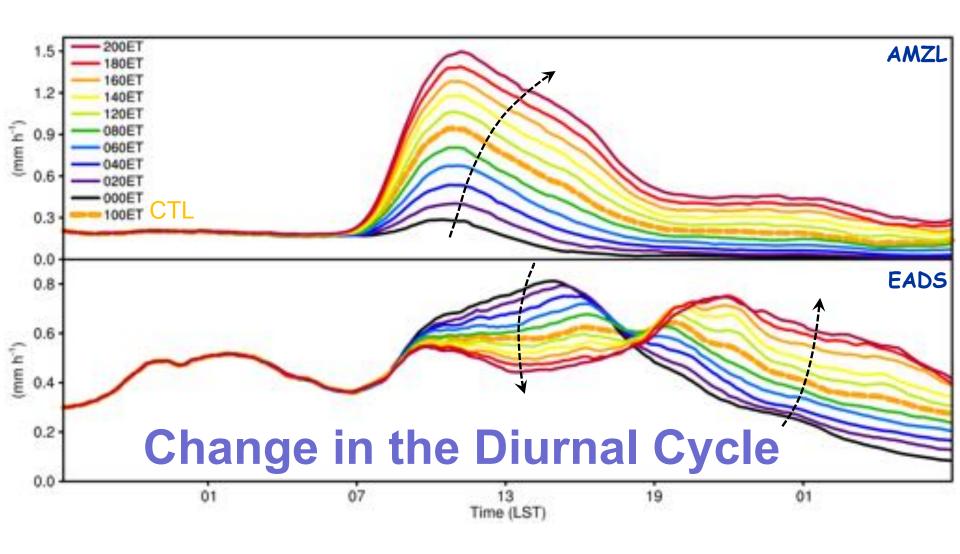
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#### AMZL → EADS Precipitation Feedback





## Amazon dams planned and under construction





- **□** Land-Atmosphere Interactions
  - □ Precipitation Vegetation Interactions
- ➤ LOCAL vs REMOTE Boundary Layer vs Regional vs Large-Scale Controls

#### Central Andes and the Amazon River Basin

> Revising the notion of "River Basin" and "Upstream"

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