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Processing of Biogenic Emissions for OTC / MANE-VU Modeling

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Biogenic emissions for the time period from January 1, 2002 – December 31, 2002 were calculated by NYSDEC using the Biogenic Emissions Inventory System (BEIS) version 3.12 integrated within SMOKE2.1. General information about BEIS is available at http://www.epa.gov/AMD/biogen.html while documentation about biogenic emissions processing within SMOKE2.1 is available at http://cf.unc.edu/cep/empd/products/smoke/version2.1/html/ch06s10.html and http://cf.unc.edu/cep/empd/products/smoke/version2.1/html/ch06s17.html . Note that the SMOKE documentation refers to BEIS3.09 and has not yet been updated for BEIS3.12. This affects the number of species modeled as well as the use of different speciation profiles. However, the general processing approach has not changes from BEIS3.09 to BEIS3.12. In short, this processing approach is as follows and was utilized by NYSDEC for its biogenic emission processing for 8-hr ozone and $PM_{2.5}$ modeling:

1. **Normbeis3** reads gridded land use data and emissions factors and produces gridded normalized biogenic emissions for 34 species/compounds. The gridded land use includes 230 different land use types. Both summer and winter emissions factors for each species/compound are provided for each of the 230 land use types. On output, **Normbeis3** generates a file `B3GRD` which contains gridded summer and winter emission fluxes for the modeling domain that are normalized to 30 °C and a photosynthetic active radiation (PAR) of 1000 µmol/m^2s. In addition, gridded summer and winter leaf area indices (LAI) are also written to `B3GRD`.

2. **Tmpbeis3** reads the gridded, normalized emissions file `B3GRD` and meteorological data from the MCIP-processed MM5 meteorological fields generated by the University of Maryland for MANE-VU/OTC modeling. Specifically, the following MM5/MCIP meteorological variables are used by **Tmpbeis3** to compute hour-specific, gridded biogenic emissions from the normalized emission fluxed contained in `B3GRD`: layer-1 air temperature (“TA”), layer-1 pressure (“PRES”), total incoming solar radiation at the surface (“RGRND”), and convective (“RC”) and non-convective (“RN”) rainfall. Additionally, the emissions for the 34 species/compounds modeled by BEIS3.12 are converted to CO, NO, and the CB-IV

VOC species utilized in CMAQ via the use of the BEIS3.12-CB-IV speciation profile. In adition, an optional seasonal switch file, `BIOSEASON`, was utilized to decide whether to use summer or winter emissions factors for any given grid cell on any given day. This file was generated by the SMOKE2.1 utility **Metscan** based on MM5 layer-1 air temperatures to determine the date of the last spring frost and first fall frost at each grid cell. Summer emission factors are used by **Tmpbeis3** for the time period between the last spring frost and first fall frost at any given grid cell, and winter emission factors are used for the remaining time period. Documentation for the **Metscan** utility is available at http://cf.unc.edu/cep/empd/products/smoke/version2.1/html/ch05s07.html . An animated GIF file showing the `BIOSEASON` file used by NYSDEC can be found at ftp://ftp.dec.state.ny.us/dar/air_research/chogrefe/biog_reports/b3season_movie.gif

3. For reporting purposes, the hourly, speciated, gridded emissions were aggregated to the county level for each day. For any given grid cell, emissions are distributed among the counties intersecting this grid cell in proportion to the area of each of these counties within the grid cell. The area gridding surrogates needed for this aggregration are based on a file obtained from EPA via http://www.epa.gov/ttn/chief/emch/spatial/new/bgpro.12km_041604.us.gz followed by windowing for the MANE-VU/OTC modeling domain.