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Reproducible Integrated Multisectoral, Multi-model Frameworks – Lessons Learned from IM3 (It Takes a Village...and a Mayor)

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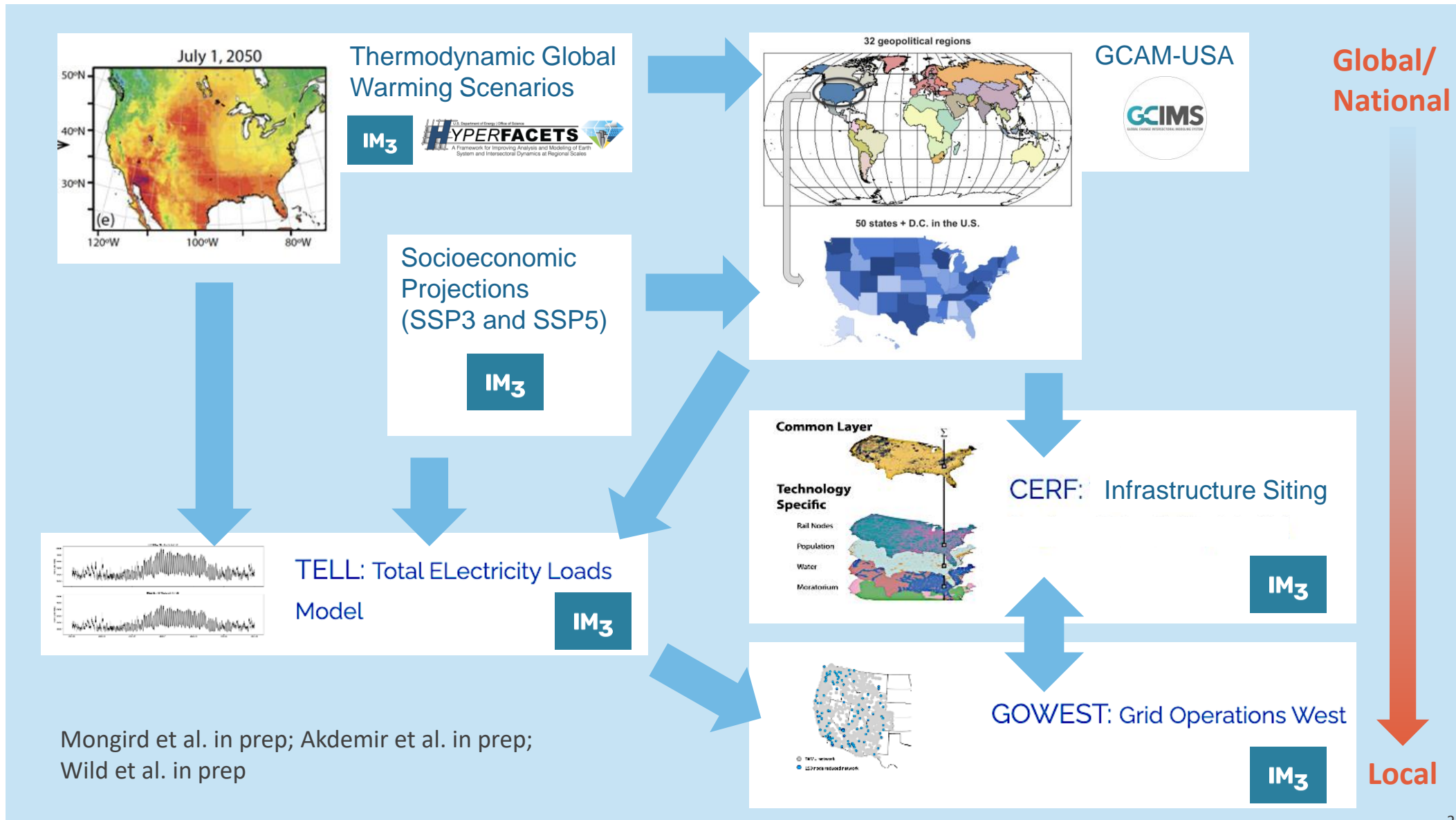


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Integrated Multisector, Multiscale Modeling Example

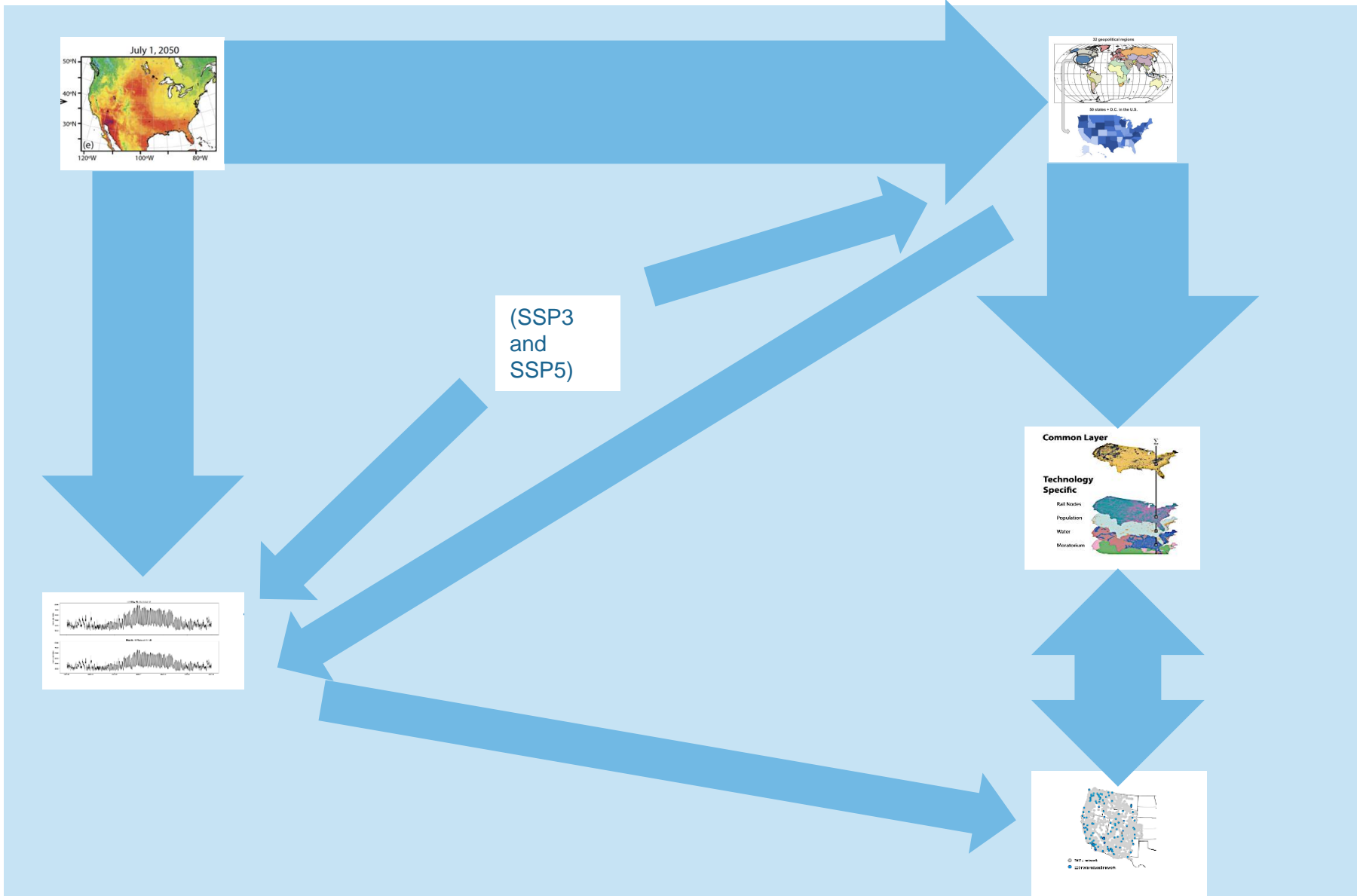
How will the price of electricity, power outages, and the infrastructure landscape be affected by future climate, energy system transitions, multisectoral energy-water-land-economy interactions, and socioeconomics?



Mongird et al. in prep; Akdemir et al. in prep;
Wild et al. in prep

The Real Work of Integrated Modeling is in the Arrows

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Key Challenges For Multi-Model Integration and Reproducibility

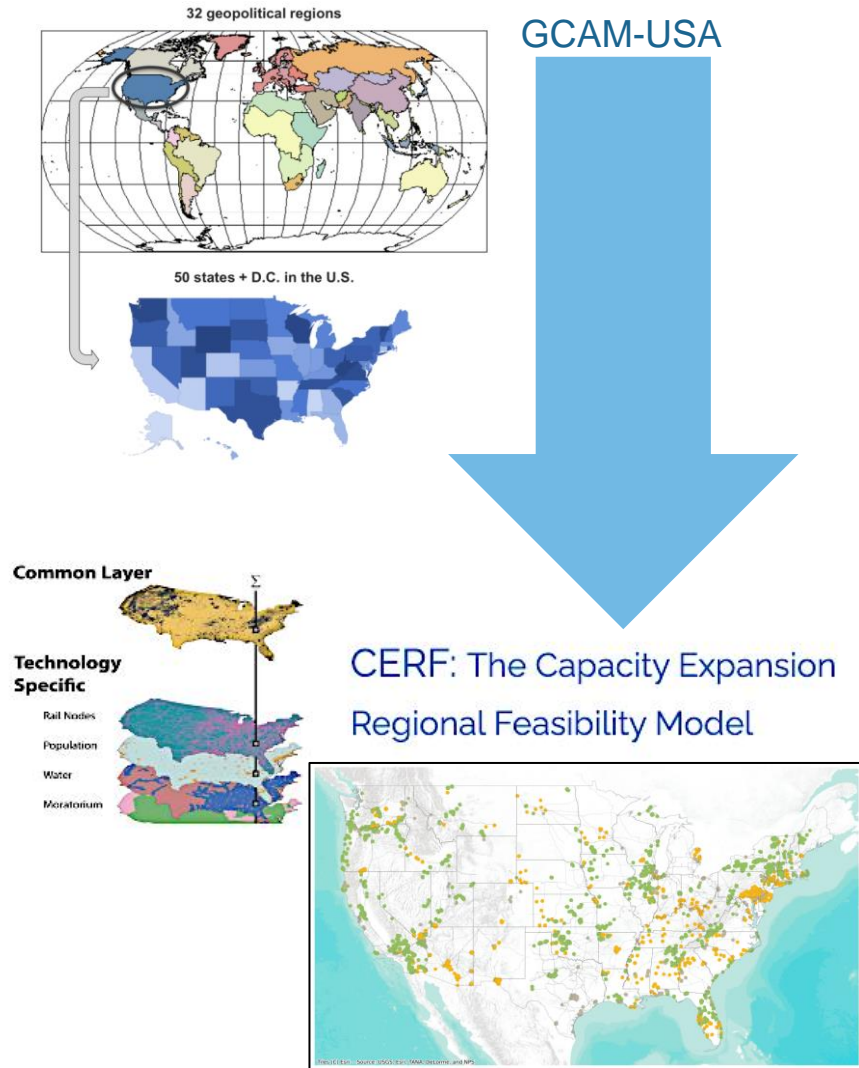
- Many best-in-class models used in the project were designed originally for standalone use by a specific community of users
 - Differences in spatial, temporal, and process resolution between models
 - A large team across eleven collaborating institutions
 - Varying levels of software engineering expertise across collaborators
 - Terminology/jargon differences across subject matter areas; You don't know what you don't know
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- Disparate experiences with open science
 - Transitioning from desktop to HPC environment
 - Time and resources to manage QA/QC and integration
 - Documenting the complexity



Structural: management, funding, staffing, resources

“But I always use MATLAB!”

Data Extraction/Transformation Example: GCAM-USA to CERF (State-level Capacity Expansion Plan to On-the-ground Power Plant Sitings)



- **Convert**
 - New Vintage Annual Energy Generation to Capacity by tech and state
 - New Vintage Capacity to # of power plants by technology and state
 - Account for solar and wind resource availability
 - Retirement Schedule to individual power plant retirements by state
- **Extract**
 - Variable costs by tech
 - Plant lifetime
 - Fuel costs and fuel cost escalation
 - Carbon prices (if RCP4.5)
 - Emissions content of fuels
 - CCS efficiency
- **Key Challenges**
 - GCAM-USA extraction tools and data structures not designed for these needs
 - Terminology and variable name misunderstandings between teams
 - Harmonizing assumptions implicit in GCAM input data (e.g., unit size)

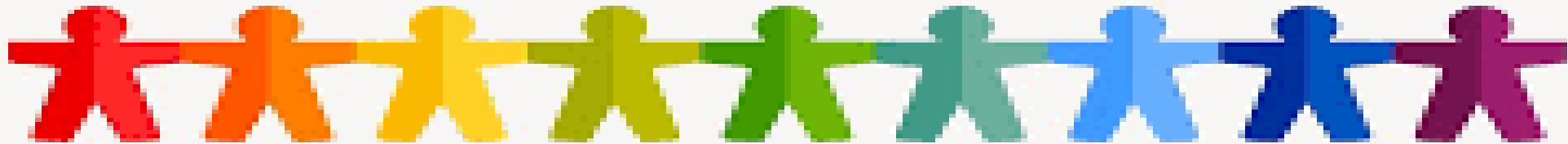
Lesson Learned #1: It Takes a Village

- Multisectoral “translators” needed to converge the jargon
- Scientists from each model willing to work together and co-develop the transformation scripts
- All: Defining the variables needed in sufficient detail so that data transformation scripts can be written
- Software engineers to support the data transformations and sometimes optimize/refactor code
- Experts to design QA/QC for model outputs and for outputs of data transformation scripts—especially for first time coupling
- Multisectoral review panels to bring different perspectives in QA/QC
- Data management experts to mint the datasets and code versions; detailed metadata; MSD-LIVE
- Collaboration experts (e.g., Slack channels devoted to each arrow



PI/Experiment Lead Role:

- Require open source – all data, models, tools, solvers, etc.
- Require workflow documentation – the meta-repository
- Work with the team to translate the science question into the necessary multi-model workflow

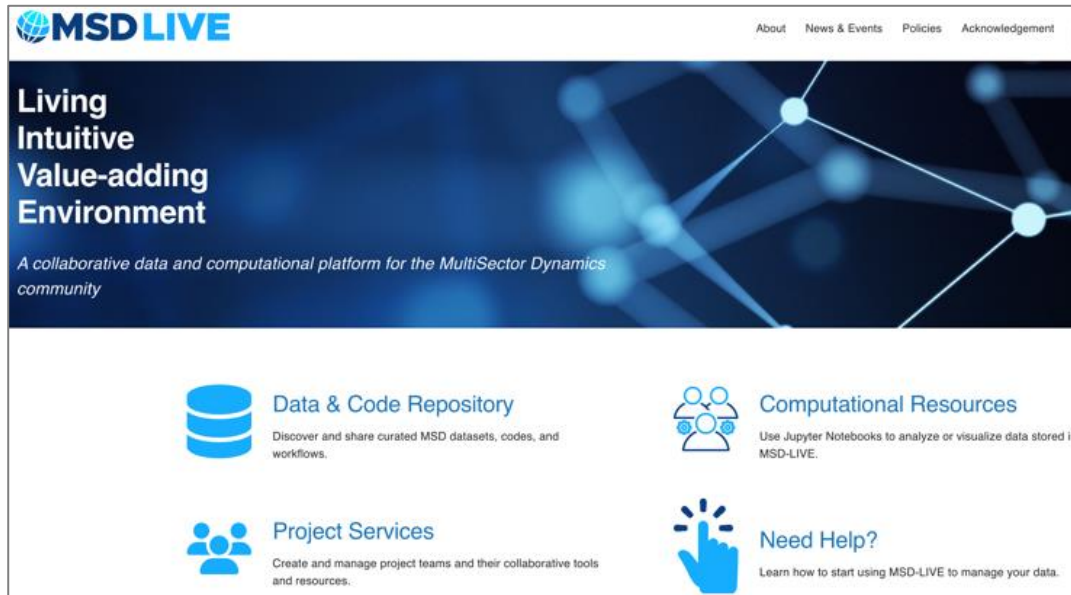


- Be accountable for the entire modeling chain – or delegate this
- Be hands-on: go into “the weeds” to help team identify and resolve issues while keeping an eye on the larger picture

Leading Open Source and Fair Data Approaches for MSD Community

- IM3 requires all open-source code, data, and tools – no exceptions
- IM3 ideas and data management objectives led to MSD-LIVE project led by Casey Burleyson

- IM3 developed the concept of a “meta-repository” to accompany each submitted manuscript (Vernon, C.R. 2023) <https://immm-sfa.github.io/metarepo/>



Input data		
Dataset	Repository Link	DOI
GCAM-USA Output	https://data.msdlive.org/records/43sy2-n8y47	https://doi.org/10.57931/1989373
TGW Weather Forcing	https://data.msdlive.org/records/cnsy6-0y610	https://doi.org/10.57931/1960530

Output data		
The output of the TELL model is stored in the data repository linked below. The post-processed files (resulting from the analysis scripts itemized below) are stored in the /data directory in this meta-repository.		
Dataset	Repository Link	DOI
TELL Output	https://data.msdlive.org/records/r0rc-kjw89	https://doi.org/10.57931/2228460
Post-Processed Data	https://github.com/IMMM-SFA/burleyson-et-al_2023_applied_energy/tree/main/data	https://doi.org/10.5281/zenodo.10278502

Contributing modeling software			
Model	Version	Repository Link	DOI
GCAM-	v5.3	https://data.msdlive.org/records/r52tb-	https://doi.org/10.57931/1960381

Reviewer feedback: "I agree that this paper should be deemed fully reproducible and given the **highest rating for reproducibility.**"

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Thank you

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