

**Cool Roofs for a Cooler California**  
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**Green outdoor space and community gardens at schools**







**My Figueroa: Complete street improvements**





## My Figueroa - Multi-Modal Connections





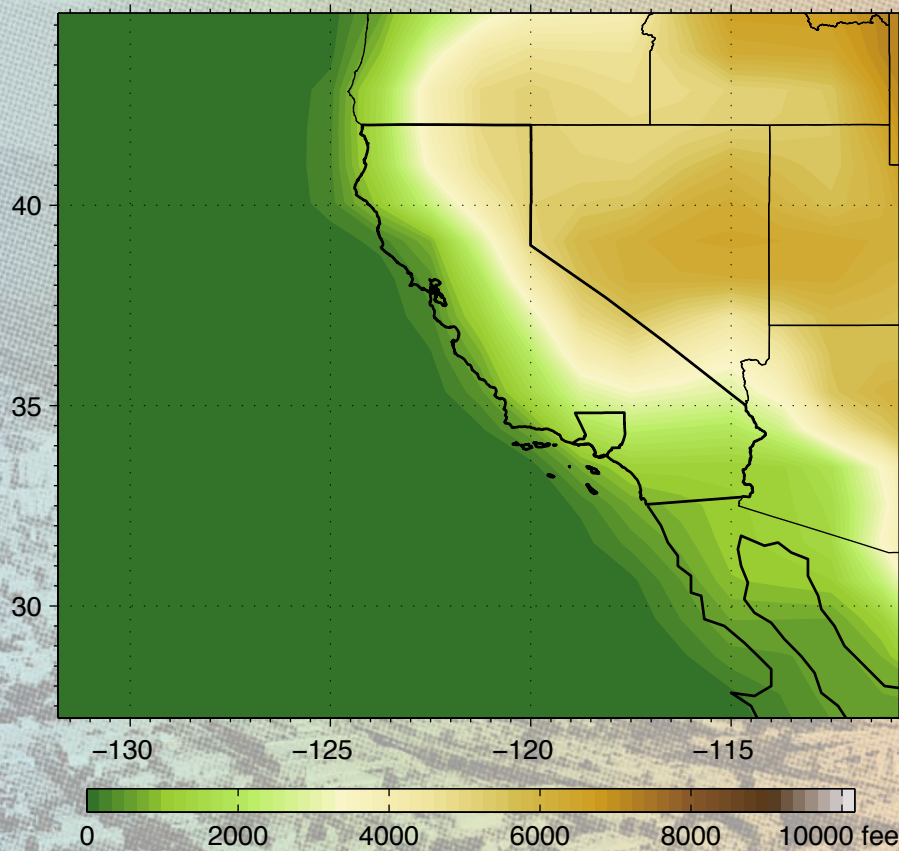
**El Sereno - Public Street Plaza near Food 4 Less**



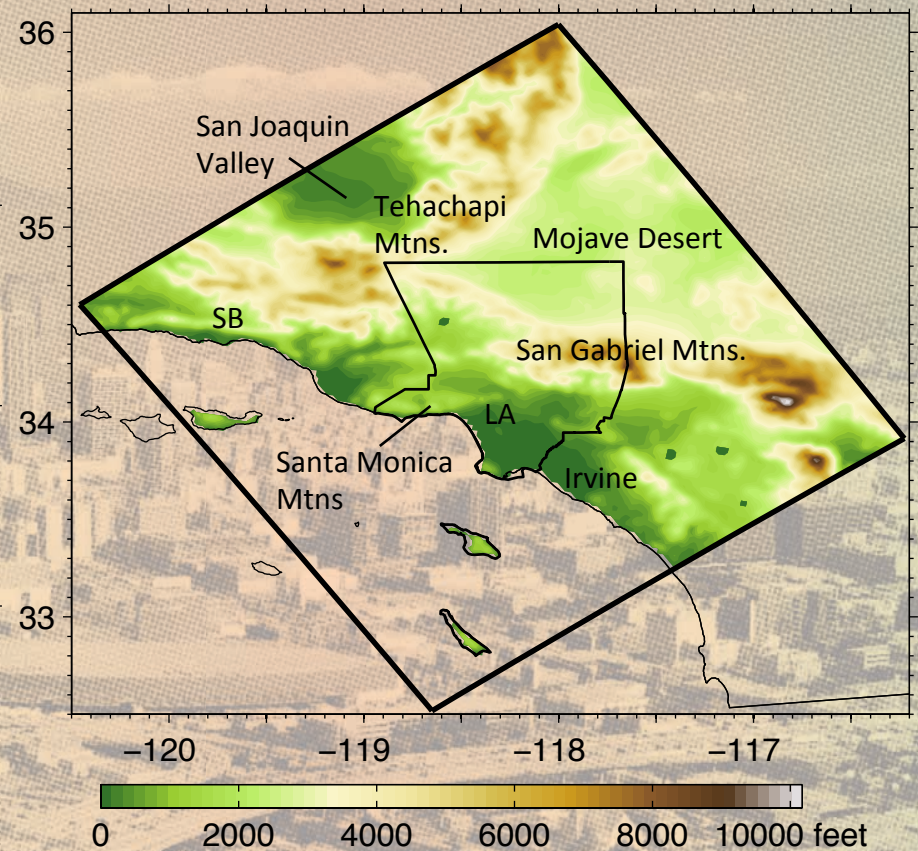


**LA River - "greening" of sections through Canoga Park**



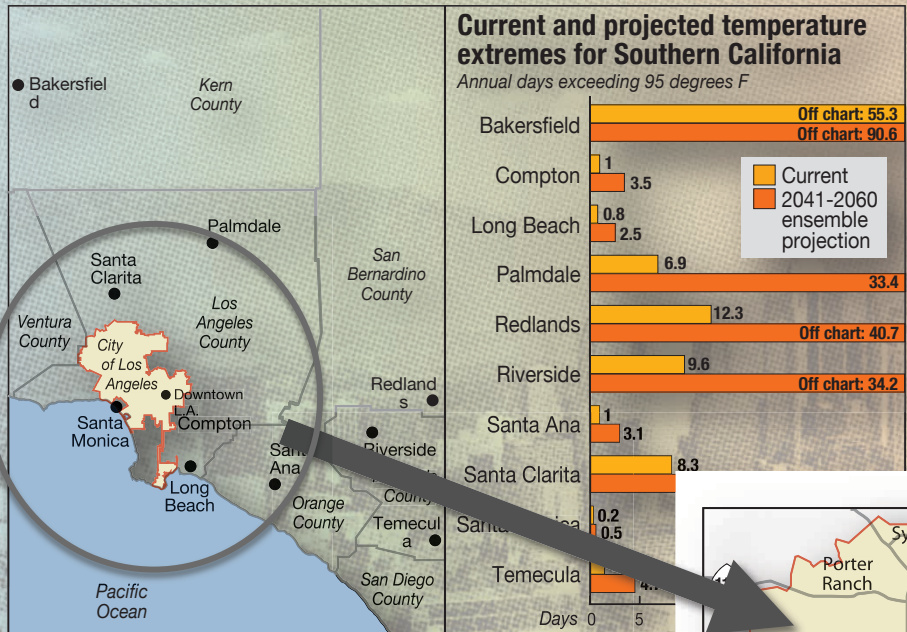


Topography from a typical global climate model (100-200 km)

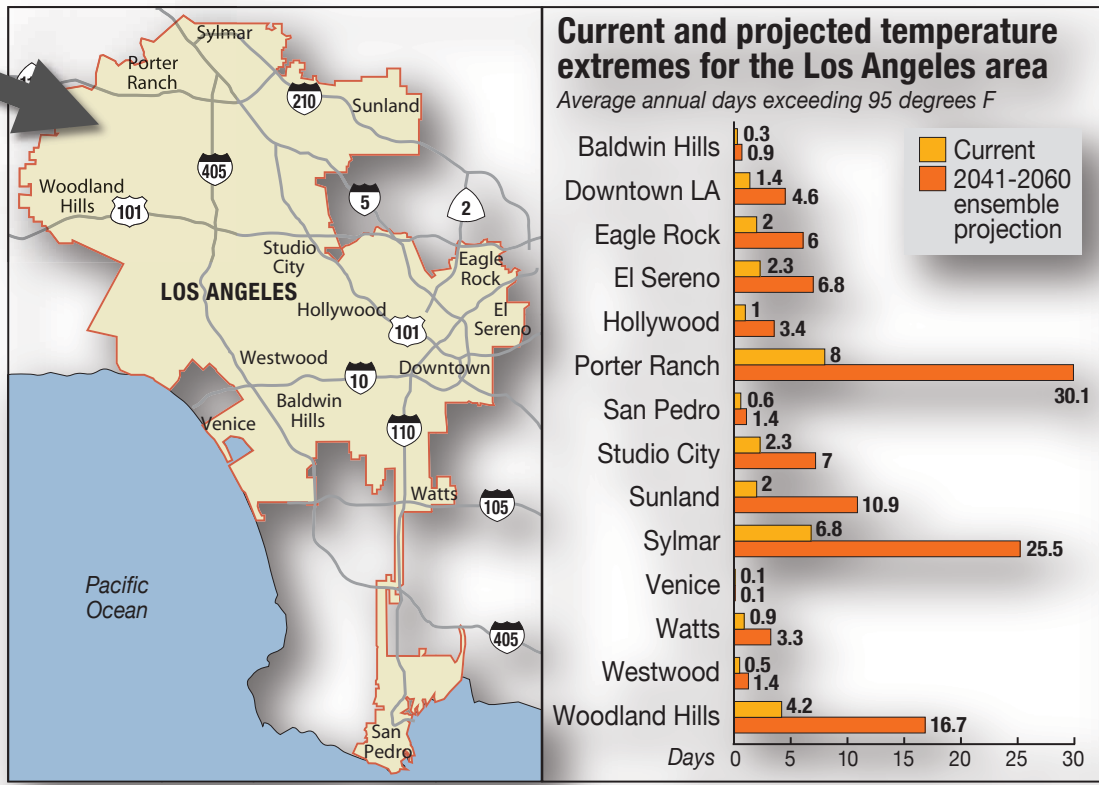


Topography and coastline are very well represented in the 2 km resolution innermost domain of the regional climate model





Source: UCLA LARC study, 2012; chart based on the mean/average projected by the 19 climate models



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# Los Angeles Temperature, 2041-2060

- Coastal areas – 3-4°F
- San Fernando & San Gabriel valleys – 4-4.5°F
- Mountains and Deserts - 4.5-5.5°



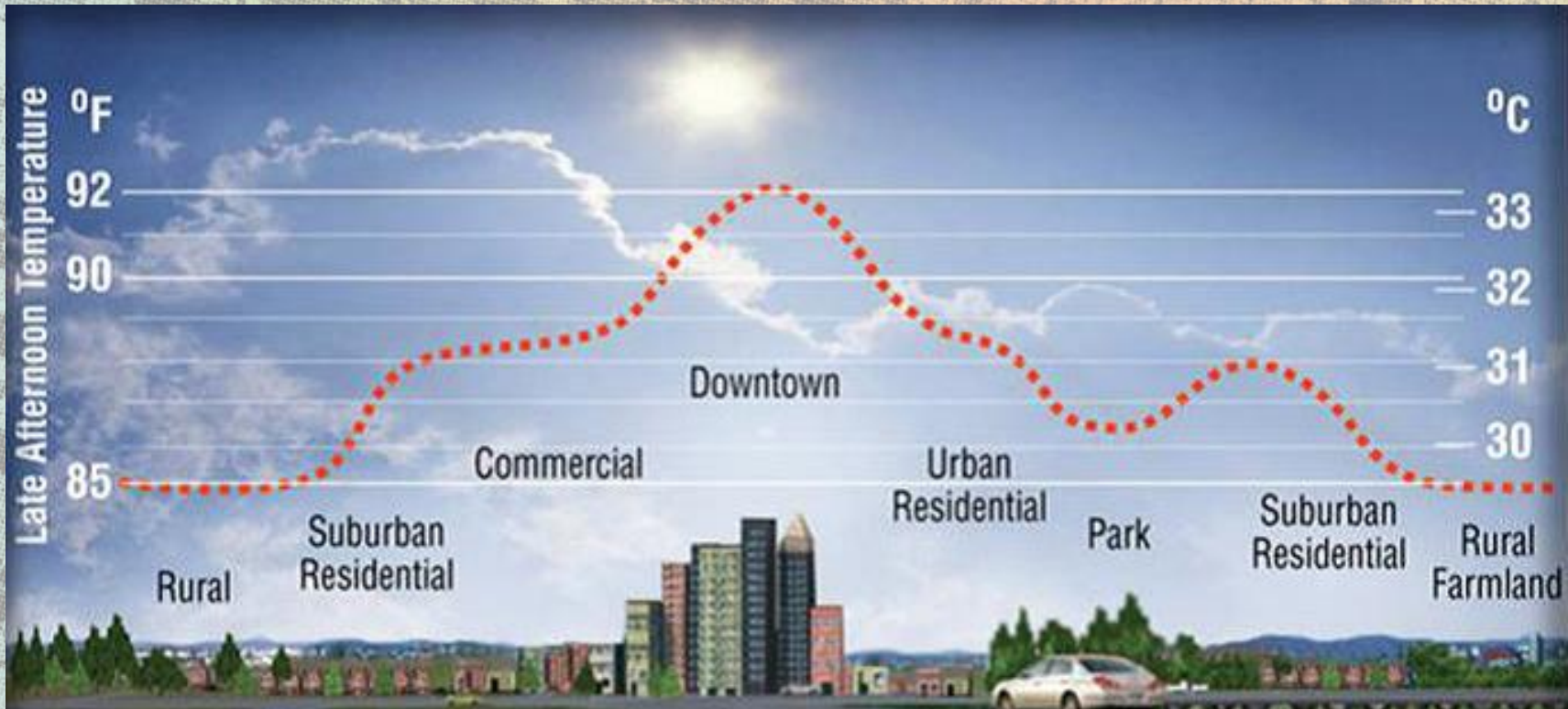


# Extreme heat will affect

- Public health
- Air quality
- Food supply
- Energy demand and supply too
- Water evaporation: vegetation, habitat, water supply
- Wildfires
- Property values
- Roads and Rails

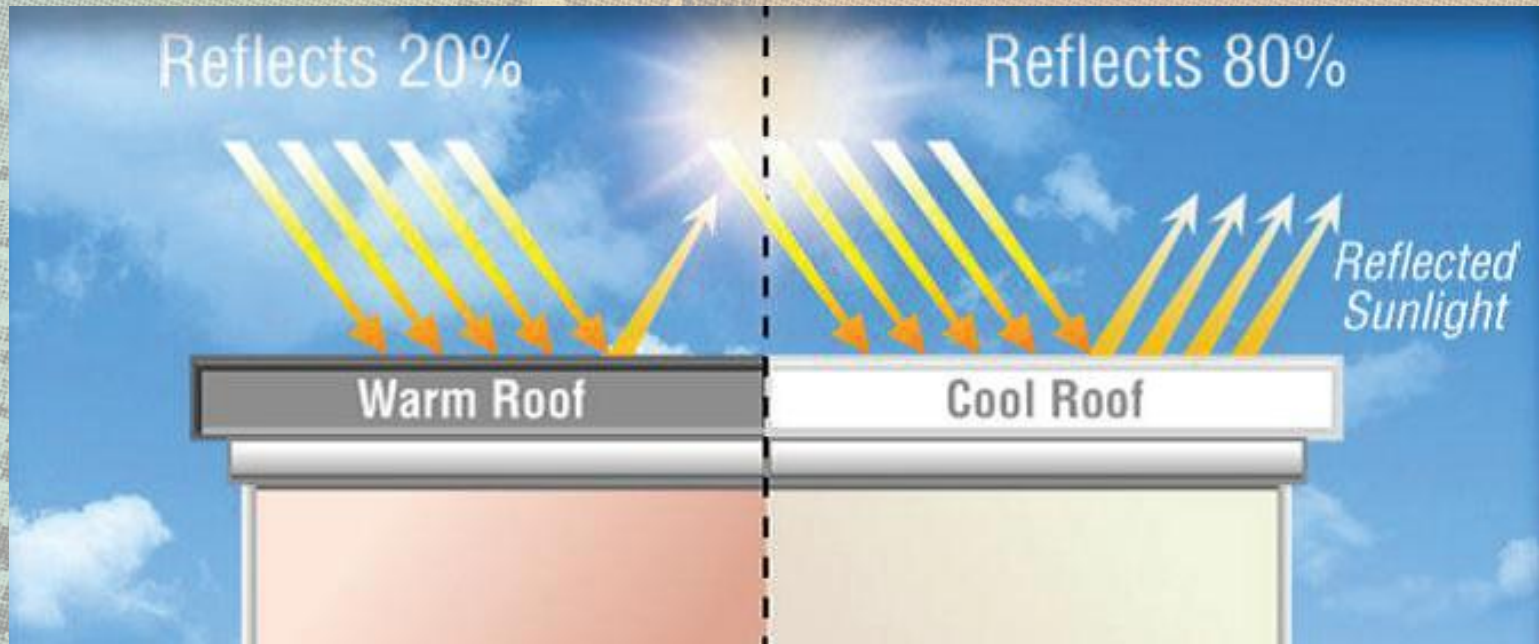


# Urban Heat Island Effect





# Cool Roofs





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# Benefits of Cool Roofs

- LA residents will save money on their utility bills
  - Cumulatively up to \$30 million per year
- Decrease greenhouse gas emissions
  - Equivalent to 40 metric tons of CO<sub>2</sub>
- Provide a healthier environment – cooling of 3-12 degrees indoors
  - Helps public health
- Reduces likelihood of outages, aiding resilience
- Helps Angelenos survive heat waves



# Cool Roofs Campaign

Solutions that Meet the Climate Challenge

- Roofs are 20% of LA's landmass
  - City of Los Angeles
    - ✓ LADWP incentive; up to \$.30 per sq ft
    - ✓ Ordinance won in December 2013



# LADWP incentive

- Roofing material must meet the 2014 Los Angeles Green Building Code requirements.
- To qualify for rebates cool roofs must meet the three-year Solar Reflectance Index (SRI) requirements as rated by the Cool Roof Rating Council at [www.coolroofs.org](http://www.coolroofs.org).
- Starting May 1, 2013, Rebates will be determined by the slope of the roof and the SRI. There are two levels of rebates:

	Level 1	Level 2
• Low-slope ( $\leq 2:12$ ) 3 year SRI	$\geq 7$	$\geq 85$
• Steep –slope ( $>2:12$ ) 3 year SRI	$\geq 20$	$\geq 35$
• Incentive per square foot of roof*	\$0.20	\$0.30

\*Square footage is subject to verification by the LADWP. The square footage of parapet is not included in the rebate.



# Coolroofs.org

- **Asphalt-shingle:** 61 approved products
- **Bitumen sheet roofing:** 123 approved products
- **Concrete/clay tiles or slate:** 455 approved products
- **Coatings:** 579 approved products
- **Metal products:** 1019 approved products
- **Wood shake/stone aggregate/pavers:** dozens of approved products
- **Thermostatic plastic:** 113 approved products





# City of Los Angeles

## Cool Roof Ordinance

- **Ordinance No. 182849:** 2013 California Green Building Standards Code is adopted by reference.
  - 99.04.106.5. Cool Roof for Reduction of Heat Island Effect. Roofing material shall comply with the following:
    - 99.04.106.5.1. Solar Reflectance. Roofing material shall have a minimum 3-year aged solar reflectance equal to or greater than the values specified in Table 4.106.5.
    - 99.04.106.5.2. Thermal Emittance. Roofing materials shall have a Cool Roof Rating Council (CRRC) initial or aged thermal emittance equal to or greater than those specified in Table 4.106.5.
    - Solar reflectance values shall be based on the aged reflectance value of the roofing product or the equation in Section A4.106.5.1 if the CRRC certified aged solar reflectance are not available.



# Another Heat Island Provision

- 99.04.106.7. Reduction of Heat Island Effect for Nonroof Areas [N]. Reduce nonroof heat islands for 25% of pathways, patios, driveways or other paved areas by using one or more of the methods listed.
  - Use trees or other plantings to provide shade and that mature within 5 years of planting. Trees shall be suitable in mature size and environmental requirements for the site. Tree selection and placement shall consider location and size of areas to be shaded, location of utilities, views from the structure, distance to sidewalks and foundations, overhangs onto adjacent properties and streets; other infrastructure and adjacent to landscaping. In addition, shading shall not cast a shadow, as specified, on any neighboring solar collectors pursuant to Public Resources Code Section 25981, et seq. (Solar Shade Control Act);
  - Use high albedo materials with an initial solar reflectance value of at least .30 as determined in accordance with American Society for Testing and Materials (ASTM) Standards E1918 or C1549;
  - Use open grid pavement system or pervious or permeable pavement system;
  - Use solar panel arrays to create a canopy shade system; or
  - Other methods of reducing heat island effects acceptable to the Department.



# Next

- Beyond City of Los Angeles:
  - City of Pasadena
  - City of Sacramento
  - Expanding to IOU/CPUC territory in Spring 2014?
- Cool Streets
  - Streets = 6500 miles; 40% of the LA's land mass
  - LBNL & LABSS: asphalt slurry
  - Streets bond measure
    - Streets for the Future coalition



Questions?





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