Prairie Agro-Meteorological Model (PAM^{2nd})

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Evapotranspiration

Transpiration & Evaporation calculated separately

$$T = L_A [\rho_s(T_a) - \rho(Td_a)] / (r_a + r_c)$$

$$E = (1-L_A) [h(\rho_s(T_a)) - \rho(Td_a)] / (r_a + r_g)$$

Evapotranspiration

Driven by vapor density gradient with surface of leaves & soil at air temperature (T_a) :

Assumes good coupling between small crop leaves and atmosphere

Modulated by resistances:

 $\rho_{s}(T_{a}) - \rho(Td_{a})$

- 1. Canopy: $r_c = [r_{c(min)} / L_A] [(W W_x) / (W_f W_x)]^{-1}$
- 2. Aerodynamic: $r_a = [ln(Z_{pbl} / Z_o)]^2 / [\sigma k^2(V_{mbl} V_{sfc})]$
- 3. Water Supply to Soil Surface:

$$r_g = r_{g(min)} [(w - w_x) / (w_f - w_x)]^{-2.5}$$

Daily Evapotranspiration

1. Max Hourly ET derived from Tmax, 0000Z Standard Level GRIB data and modeled PBL

2. Min Hourly ET derived from Tlow, 1200Z Standard level GRIB data and modeled PBL

3. ET values for other daylight hours derived by fitting sinusoidal curve.

4. Hourly values from sunrise to sunset added to get daily ET.

Fractional Leaf Area



Wheat



Canopy Resistance



Root-Zone Growth & Soil Layers





Winnipeg 2004



Date

Inter-annual variability ofSpring Wheat PhenologyWheat

Winnipeg 1988 - 2000



Root - Zone Soil Moisture Russet Burbank Outlook, SK - 1996















Atmospheric Effect of ET

- In all situations, incrementally increasing the surface dew point temperature via ET increases the CAPE (and storm cloud top) that can, in some cases, significantly increase storm severity
- Also lowers the CIN, CCL, LCL and LFC that effectively decreases the amount of lift required to initiate convection
- Hence, ET can be a significant factor for storm initiation and severity depending on the quantity of added low level moisture and depth of the MBL.

Some Considerations:

- 1. Maximize spatial resolution with available inputs.
- 2. I nitial soil moisture, post snow-melt, based on modeled fall soil moisture and Freshet Model.
- 3. Data assimilation system includes near real-time planting-dates. Crop phenology based on accumulated BMT.
- 4. Stability adjusted aerodynamic resistance (r_a) based on entire PBL, not just surface turbulent layer.
- 5. Interception / re-evap assumed to operate on a shorter time-step than model's daily water balance, thus neglected.
- 6. Good coupling assumed between small crop leaves and atmosphere, thus To = Ta.
- 7. Infiltration stopped by saturation of top-zone of soil.
- 8. Upper flux of moisture from root to top zone uses force-restore formulation.
- 9. In near-real time application, provides past and forecast output.