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Summary

The BOREAS TF-1 team collected various trace gas and energy flux data in its efforts to characterize the temporal energy and gas exchanges that occurred over the SSA-OA site. This data set contains methane (CH₄) and nitrous oxide (N₂O) fluxes that were measured at the BOREAS SSA-OA site. These fluxes were measured from 16-Apr to 16-Sep-1994. The data were averaged to weekly values and are available in tabular ASCII files.

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1. Data Set Overview

1.1 Data Set Identification

BOREAS TF-01 SSA-OA Weekly Tower CH₄ and N₂O Flux

1.2 Data Set Introduction

Fluxes of CH_4 and N_2O were measured at the BOReal Ecosystem-Atmosphere Study (BOREAS) Southern Study Area (SSA) Old Aspen (OA) site. These fluxes were measured through the growing season of 1994. The tower-based fluxes were determined using a high-resolution tunable diode laser Trace Gas Analysis System (TGAS) together with micrometeorological techniques. The fluxes were small and required long averaging times to be resolved. Half-hour averages were determined and these were averaged to weekly values.

1.3 Objective/Purpose

The global budgets of CH_4 and N_2O are poorly constrained, and several priority trace gas research areas have been specified, including the boreal forest. The objectives of this research were to quantify the exchange of CH_4 and N_2O at the aspen site and to better understand the factors that control their exchange.

1.4 Summary of Parameters and Variables

Half-hour observations were combined to produce weekly CH_4 and N_2O flux values. The data set includes weekly average, standard error, and number of half-hourly values used to calculate the average, for both CH_4 and N_2O . By convention, a positive flux indicates trace gas emission, and a negative flux indicates uptake.

1.5 Discussion

Boreal forests have been reported as net sinks of CH₄, although the uptake of CH₄ by soils has not been well characterized. CH₄ oxidation in moist soils may be a negative feedback on atmospheric CH₄ increases. Generally, there is a lack of N₂O for all northern ecosystems.

1.6 Related Data Sets

BOREAS TF-02 SSA-OA Tower Flux and Meteorological Data BOREAS TF-01 SSA-OA Undercanopy Flux, Meteorological, and Soil Temperature Data BOREAS TF-04 CO2 and CH4 Chamber Flux Data from the SSA

2. Investigator(s)

2.1 Investigator(s) Name and Title

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2.2 Title of Investigation

Boreal Forest Atmosphere Interactions: Exchanges of Energy, Water Vapor, and Trace Gases

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3. Theory of Measurements

The tower-based fluxes were determined using the flux-gradient method. Measurements were made of the concentration differences of CH_4 and N_2O between 26.8 and 37.5 m above the forest floor. The canopy height was 22 m. Air was alternately sampled from either level every 4 seconds, and the resulting concentration differences were averaged over half an hour. Micrometeorological data collected at 39.1 m using a sonic anemometer were used to determine a transfer coefficient. Together, the concentration differences and stability-corrected transfer coefficient were used to determine the flux of CH_4 and N_2O in the following flux-gradient relationship:

where ustar is the friction velocity [m/s]; k is von Karman's constant (taken as 0.4); z2 and z1 are the upper (37.5 m) and lower (26.8 m) sampling heights, respectively; conc2 and conc1 are the respective concentrations [ng/m³] at z2 and z1; d is the zero plane displacement; and psih2 and psih1 are the respective scalar diabatic correction functions at z2 and z1.

A value for the zero plane displacement was determined before, during, and after leaf-out using sonic anemometer data collected during times of neutral atmospheric stability.

4. Equipment

4.1 Sensor/Instrument Description

4.1.1 Collection Environment

Data were collected through the growing season of 1994. The site was burned approximately 80 years ago, and the primary forest cover was trembling aspen (Populus tremuloides) with some balsam poplar (Populus balsamifera). The aspen canopy architecture features an open trunk space with the crown concentrated at the top 5-6 m of the trees. The maximum aspen leaf area index in 1994 was 2.4. There was a rich understory comprising 60% hazelnut (Corylus cornuta) and 15% wild rose (Rosa woodsii). The soil is classified as an Orthic Gray Aluvisol, featuring a well- to moderately well-drained loam to clay loam till and an organic layer depth less than 8 cm.

4.1.2 Source/Platform

Measurements were made from a 37-m double-scaffold walk-up tower. Two Campbell Scientific tunable diode laser TGAS were used to measure the concentration differences of CH_4 and N_2O between 26.8 and 37.5 m above the forest floor. Air was alternately sampled from either level every 4 seconds, and the resulting concentration differences were averaged over half an hour. Micrometeorological data collected at 39.1 m using a 20-cm-path Kaijo-Denke sonic anemometer were used to determine a transfer coefficient.

4.1.3 Source/Platform Mission Objectives

The purpose of the tower was to suspend instruments to measure trace gas, energy fluxes, and meteorological variables above a mature aspen stand.

4.1.4 Key Variables

Half-hour observations were combined to produce weekly CH_4 and N_2O flux values. The data set includes weekly average, standard error, and number of half-hourly values used to calculate the average, for both CH_4 and N_2O . By convention, a positive flux indicates trace gas emission, and a negative flux indicates uptake.

4.1.5 Principles of Operation

Laser-based trace gas analysis is based on absorption spectroscopy, whereby each molecule is known to absorb radiation in a characteristic spectrum. In the TGAS unit, a lead-salt laser is housed in a liquid nitrogen-cooled Dewar. The laser beam is sent through a single-path, 1.5-m sample tube, and then is split into sample and reference gas cells, each housing a Peliter-cooled cadmium-mercury-telluride detector. Air sampled from outside is pumped through the sample tube, where it encounters the laser beam. A good absorption line is selected based on its strength and the absence of interference by other absorbing gases. The laser emission is tunable, and the laser is modulated to scan back and forth across the entire absorption feature 500 times a second. The area under the absorption feature is integrated to determine the concentration of the trace gas within the air sample. Concentration readings are output at 10 Hz, and each reading is calibrated in real time against a reference gas (in this case CH₄ or N₂O) of known concentration.

4.1.6 Sensor/Instrument Measurement Geometry

Air intakes were located on the SSA-OA flux tower at 0.5, 5.0, 18.1, 26.8, and 37.5 m above the ground. Concentration differences were determined in 4-hour cycles between each pair of intakes with an emphasis on the above canopy measurements (the 26.8- and 37.5-m intakes). The air from the upper and lower intakes passed through an equal amount of 0.5-inch inner diameter (i.d.) high-density polyethylene tubing to a common Perma Pure dryer located on the tower. A total of four dryers were installed on the tower, one for each pair of intakes.

4.1.7 Manufacturer of Sensor/Instrument

TGAS units: Campbell Scientific, Inc. 815 West 1800 North Logan, UT 84321-1784 (435) 753-2342 (435) 750-9540 (fax) info@campbellsci.com

4.2 Calibration

4.2.1 Specifications

Concentration readings from TGAS were output at 10 Hz. Each reading is calibrated in real time against a reference gas (in this case CH₄ or N₂O) of known concentration.

4.2.1.1 Tolerance

See Section 9.2.1.

4.2.2 Frequency of Calibration

Calibration against a reference gas was done in real time.

4.2.3 Other Calibration Information

None.

5. Data Acquisition Methods

A suite of four concentration differences was measured between five levels both above and within the aspen canopy. The concentration differences were determined in a 4-hour cycle, with emphasis on the above-canopy measurements. The TGAS units operated 24 hours a day over the 5 months of measurement, with about 1 hour of data edited out each day during liquid nitrogen fills.

A five-way Whitey ball valve (model SS-45ZF8-42ACZ) with an electric actuator (model MS-142ACZ) was used to switch the sampling among air intakes. For a given pair of intakes, a Numatics solenoid valve (model 152SS-400K) located on the tower was used to alternately draw sample air from the upper and lower intakes every 4 s. Rapid switching between the two levels acts as a high-pass filter and therefore reduces the low-frequency noise.

The air from the upper and lower intakes passed through an equal amount of 0.5-inch i.d. high density polyethylene tubing to a common Perma Pure dryer (model PD-1000-SS48) located on the tower. A total of four dryers were installed on the tower, one for each pair of intakes. Drying is necessary to avoid corrections to the flux measurements for density effects caused by water vapor transfer.

The dried air then was pumped at low pressure through tubes from the tower to a hut housing the TGAS units. Travel through a common long tube ensured that the upper and lower air samples had a common temperature by the time they reached the TGAS units. A Whitey needle valve (model SS-3NRM4) positioned at the end of each dryer was used to create a pressure drop, and the pressure in each TGAS unit was maintained at 75 mbar. The concentration readings recovered from the solenoid valve switch in 0.6-0.7 s, and the first 0.8 s of data were discarded following each 4-s switch. Delay times to account for the travel time down the tubes were also set in the TGAS units.

The sample air was split and diverted through the two TGAS units in parallel,. The air was then exhausted through a Busch pump (model RA-0040-A005-1002) at 22 actual ft³/min.

6. Observations

6.1 Data Notes

None.

6.2 Field Notes

The TGAS concentration differences were edited out during liquid nitrogen fills (twice daily), power surges, laser alignment, etc.

7. Data Description

7.1 Spatial Characteristics

7.1.1 Spatial Coverage

All data were collected at the BOREAS SSA-OA site. North American Datum of 1983 (NAD83) coordinates for the site are latitude 53.62889° N, longitude 106.19779° W, and elevation of 600.63 m.

7.1.2 Spatial Coverage Map

Not applicable.

7.1.3 Spatial Resolution

Large eddy simulations using characteristics appropriate for the aspen site indicated that under neutral atmospheric stability, 90% of the measured trace gas flux, was expected to originate from within a distance of 2 km upwind of the tower, with a peak influence distance of 200 m.

7.1.4 Projection

Not applicable.

7.1.5 Grid Description

Not applicable.

7.2 Temporal Characteristics

7.2.1 Temporal Coverage

Fluxes were measured from 16-Apr to 16-Sep-1994. The data were averaged to weekly values.

7.2.2 Temporal Coverage Map

None.

7.2.3 Temporal Resolution

The fluxes were small and required long averaging times to be resolved. Half-hour averages were determined, and these were averaged to weekly values.

7.3 Data Characteristics

7.3.1 Parameter/Variable

The parameters contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name

SITE_NAME
SUB_SITE
START_DATE
END_DATE
MEAN_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX
NUM_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX
MEAN_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX
NUM_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX
CRTFCN_CODE
REVISION_DATE

7.3.2 Variable Description/Definition

The descriptions of the parameters contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Description
SITE_NAME	The identifier assigned to the site by BOREAS, in the format SSS-TTT-CCCCC, where SSS identifies the portion of the study area: NSA, SSA, REG, TRN, and TTT identifies the cover type for the site, 999 if unknown, and CCCCC is the identifier for site, exactly what it means will vary with site type.
SUB_SITE	The identifier assigned to the sub-site by BOREAS, in the format GGGGG-IIIII, where GGGGG is the group associated with the sub-site instrument, e.g. HYD06 or STAFF, and IIIII is the identifier for sub-site, often this will refer to an instrument.
START_DATE	The date on which the collection of data commenced.
END_DATE	The date on which the collection of the data was terminated.
MEAN_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	The weekly averaged methane flux, based on half hour methane fluxes.
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	The standard error of the weekly averaged methane flux, based on half hour methane fluxes.
NUM_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	The number of half hour flux values used in calculating the weekly averaged methane flux.
MEAN_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	The weekly averaged nitrous oxide flux, based on half hour nitrous oxide fluxes.
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	The standard error of the weekly averaged nitrous oxide flux, based on half hour nitrous oxide fluxes.
NUM_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	The number of half hour flux values used in calculating the weekly averaged nitrous oxide flux.

CRTFCN_CODE

The BOREAS certification level of the data.

Examples are CPI (Checked by PI), CGR (Certified by Group), PRE (Preliminary), and CPI-??? (CPI but questionable).

REVISION_DATE

The most recent date when the information in the referenced data base table record was revised.

7.3.3 Unit of Measurement

The measurement units for the parameters contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Units	
SITE_NAME	[none]	
SUB_SITE	[none]	
START_DATE	[DD-MON-YY]	
END_DATE	[DD-MON-YY]	
MEAN_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	<pre>[nanomoles] [meters^-2] [second^-1]</pre>	
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	<pre>[nanomoles] [meters^-2] [second^-1]</pre>	
NUM_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	[counts]	
MEAN_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	<pre>[nanomoles] [meters^-2] [second^-1]</pre>	
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	<pre>[nanomoles] [meters^-2] [second^-1]</pre>	
NUM_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	[counts]	
CRTFCN_CODE	[none]	
REVISION_DATE	[DD-MON-YY]	

7.3.4 Data Source

The sources of the parameter values contained in the data files on the CD-ROM are:

Column Name	Data Source
SITE NAME	[Assigned by BORIS.]
SUB_SITE	[Assigned by BORIS.]
START_DATE	[Supplied by Investigator.]
END_DATE	[Supplied by Investigator.]
MEAN_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	[TGAS and sonic anemometer]
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	[TGAS and sonic anemometer]
NUM_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	[Supplied by Investigator.]
MEAN_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	[TGAS and sonic anemometer]
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	[TGAS and sonic anemometer]
NUM_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	[Supplied by Investigator.]
CRTFCN_CODE	[Assigned by BORIS.]
REVISION_DATE	[Assigned by BORIS.]

7.3.5 Data Range

The following table gives information about the parameter values found in the data files on the CD-ROM.

Column Name	Minimum Data Value	Maximum Data Value	Missng Data Value	Unrel Data Value	Below Detect Limit	Data Not Cllctd
SITE_NAME	SSA-90A-FLXTR	SSA-90A-FLXTR	None	None	None	None
SUB_SITE	9TF01-FLX01	9TF01-FLX01	None	None	None	None
START_DATE	17-APR-94	11-SEP-94	None	None	None	None
END DATE	23-APR-94	17-SEP-94	None	None	None	None

MEAN_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	22375	5.33	None	None	None	None
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_CH4_	.30813	2.09	None	None	None	None
FLUX						
NUM_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX	35	115	None	None	None	None
MEAN_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	1225	.16341	None	None	None	None
STD_ERR_WEEKLY_N2O_	.04023	.11909	None	None	None	None
FLUX						
NUM_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX	35	120	None	None	None	None
CRTFCN_CODE	CPI	CPI	None	None	None	None
REVISION_DATE	24-MAY-99	24-MAY-99	None	None	None	None

Minimum Data Value -- The minimum value found in the column.

Maximum Data Value -- The maximum value found in the column.

Missng Data Value -- The value that indicates missing data. This is used to indicate that an attempt was made to determine the parameter value, but the attempt was unsuccessful.

Unrel Data Value -- The value that indicates unreliable data. This is used to indicate an attempt was made to determine the parameter value, but the value was deemed to be unreliable by the analysis personnel.

Below Detect Limit -- The value that indicates parameter values below the instruments detection limits. This is used to indicate that an attempt was made to determine the parameter value, but the analysis personnel determined that the parameter value was below the detection limit of the instrumentation.

Data Not Cllctd -- This value indicates that no attempt was made to determine the parameter value. This usually indicates that BORIS combined several similar but not identical data sets into the same data base table but this particular science team did not measure that parameter.

Blank -- Indicates that blank spaces are used to denote that type of value. N/A -- Indicates that the value is not applicable to the respective column. None -- Indicates that no values of that sort were found in the column.

7.4 Sample Data Record

.10727,67,'CPI',24-MAY-99

The following are wrapped versions of data record from a sample data file on the CD-ROM.

SITE_NAME, SUB_SITE, START_DATE, END_DATE, MEAN_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX, STD_ERR_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX, NUM_WEEKLY_CH4_FLUX, MEAN_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX, STD_ERR_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX, NUM_WEEKLY_N2O_FLUX, CRTFCN_CODE, REVISION_DATE 'SSA-9OA-FLXTR', '9TF01-FLX01', 17-APR-94, 23-APR-94, -.13125, .93125, 50, -.1225, .11909, 50, 'CPI', 24-MAY-99 'SSA-9OA-FLXTR', '9TF01-FLX01', 24-APR-94, 30-APR-94, .6325, .78688, 72, -.05932,

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8. Data Organization

8.1 Data Granularity

The smallest unit of data tracked by the BOREAS Information System (BORIS) was data collected at a given site on a given date.

8.2 Data Format

The Compact Disk-Read-Only Memory (CD-ROM) files contain American Standard Code for Information Interchange (ASCII) numerical and character fields of varying length separated by commas. The character fields are enclosed with single apostrophe marks. There are no spaces between the fields.

Each data file on the CD-ROM has four header lines of Hyper-Text Markup Language (HTML) code at the top. When viewed with a Web browser, this code displays header information (data set title, location, date, acknowledgments, etc.) and a series of HTML links to associated data files and related data sets. Line 5 of each data file is a list of the column names, and line 6 and following lines contain the actual data.

9. Data Manipulations

9.1 Formulae

9.1.1 Derivation Techniques and Algorithms

The fluxes of CH₄ and N₂O were determined in the following flux-gradient relationship:

where: ustar is the friction velocity [m/s]

k is von Karman's constant (taken as 0.4)

z2 and z1 are the upper (37.5 m) and lower (26.8 m) sampling heights conc2 and conc1 are the respective concentrations [ng/m³] at z2 and z1

d is the zero plane displacement

psih2 and psih1 are the respective scalar diabatic correction functions at z2 and z1

9.2 Data Processing Sequence

9.2.1 Processing Steps

The editing criteria applied to the 39.1-m sonic anemometer data in preliminary analysis include:

- Measured horizontal windspeed (Umeas) > 1.5 m/s.
- Calculated horizontal windspeed (Ucalc) > 1.5 m/s. Ucalc was determined from the logarithmic wind profile equation using ustar from the sonic anemometer.
- Zeta ([z-d]/L) between -10 and 2, where L is the Monin-Obukhov length.
- The ratio of Umeas and Ucalc between 0.8 and 1.2.

BORIS staff processed these data by:

- Reviewing the initial data files and loading them online for BOREAS team access.
- Designing relational data base tables to inventory and store the data.
- Loading the data into the relational data base tables.
- Working with the team to document the data set.
- Extracting the data into logical files.

9.2.2 Processing Changes

None.

9.3 Calculations

9.3.1 Special Corrections/Adjustments

None.

9.3.2 Calculated Variables

See Section 9.1.1.

9.4 Graphs and Plots

None.

10. Errors

10.1 Sources of Error

Wind speed editing was introduced because sonic anemometers can give error at low wind speeds due to flow distortion around the transducers.

10.2 Quality Assessment

10.2.1 Data Validation by Source

Quality checks were made as part of the data processing to remove poor data values. See Section 9.2.1.

10.2.2 Confidence Level/Accuracy Judgment

The half-hour above-canopy trace gas concentration differences were often close to the resolution of the TGAS units for both CH_4 and N_2O .

10.2.3 Measurement Error for Parameters

None.

10.2.4 Additional Quality Assessments

None.

10.2.5 Data Verification by Data Center

BOREAS Information System staff reviewed the data and documentation for clarity and consistency.

11. Notes

11.1 Limitations of the Data

The sonic anemometer and the TGAS units operated 24 hours a day, and the edited data include half hours collected in both the daytime and the nighttime. 1994 was a record warm, frost-free year in the BOREAS SSA.

11.2 Known Problems with the Data

None.

11.3 Usage Guidance

None.

11.4 Other Relevant Information

Overall, the preliminary analysis indicates a small net upwards N_2O flux of 1.5 ± 0.7 ng/m²/s from April to September 1994. N_2O is produced by soil bacteria during nitrification and denitrification, and these initial results suggest that this forest is efficient in its use of nitrogen. The data also show an overall CH_4 emission of 24 ± 5 ng/m²/s during the measurement period. Well-aerated soils in temperate and tropical regions have been shown to consume CH_4 , and we had also expected to see CH_4 consumption at the OA site. We have carefully investigated the CH_4 results, and we believe the upwards CH_4 fluxes to be real. We are continuing to investigate the observed emission of CH_4 from the OA stand. However, at this time we expect that CH_4 emissions from warm, wet areas located throughout the footprint were greater than CH_4 uptake in drier areas, to give a net upwards flux of CH_4 during the measurement period.

12. Application of the Data Set

These data are useful for the study of nitrogen and carbon exchange in a mature aspen forest.

13. Future Modifications and Plans

We are continuing to assess our data selection criteria, and we remind BORIS users that these results are preliminary only and may change after further analysis.

14. Software

14.1 Software DescriptionNone given.

14.2 Software Access

None given.

15. Data Access

The SSA-OA weekly tower CH₄ and N₂O flux data are available from the Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC).

15.1 Contact Information

For BOREAS data and documentation please contact:

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15.2 Data Center Identification

Earth Observing System Data and Information System (EOSDIS) Oak Ridge National Laboratory (ORNL) Distributed Active Archive Center (DAAC) for Biogeochemical Dynamics http://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/.

15.3 Procedures for Obtaining Data

Users may obtain data directly through the ORNL DAAC online search and order system [http://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/] and the anonymous FTP site [ftp://www-eosdis.ornl.gov/data/] or by contacting User Services by electronic mail, telephone, fax, letter, or personal visit using the contact information in Section 15.1.

15.4 Data Center Status/Plans

The ORNL DAAC is the primary source for BOREAS field measurement, image, GIS, and hardcopy data products. The BOREAS CD-ROM and data referenced or listed in inventories on the CD-ROM are available from the ORNL DAAC.

16. Output Products and Availability

16.1 Tape Products

None.

16.2 Film Products

None.

16.3 Other Products

These data are available on the BOREAS CD-ROM series.

17. References

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ASCII - American Standard Code for Information Interchange BOREAS - BOReal Ecosystem-Atmosphere Study BORIS - BOREAS Information System CD-ROM - Compact Disk-Read-Only Memory - Distributed Active Archive Center DAAC EOS - Earth Observing System EOSDIS - EOS Data and Information System - Geographic Information System GIS GMT - Greenwich Mean Time GSFC - Goddard Space Flight Center HTML - Hyper-Text Markup Language i.d. - Inner diameter - Intensive Field Campaign IFC NAD83 - North American Datum of 1983 NASA - National Aeronautics and Space Administration NSA - Northern Study Area OΑ - Old Aspen ORNL - Oak Ridge National Laboratory PANP - Prince Albert National Park - Southern Study Area SSA TF - Tower Flux - Trace Gas Analysis System TGAS URL - Uniform Resource Locator

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