



The Global Energy &  
Water Exchanges  
Project

# GEWEX activity relevant to WGSIP

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# What is GEWEX ?

- GEWEX (The Global Energy and Water Exchanges program) : core project of WCRP
- Dedicated to understanding Earth's water cycle and energy fluxes at and below the surface and in the atmosphere.



**GDAP (GEWEX Data and Analysis Panel)** : production and evaluation of long term, global atmospheric, surface water, and energy budget products



**GHP (GEWEX Hydroclimatology Panel)** : understand and predict continental to local-scale hydroclimates for hydrologic applications



**GLASS (Global Land-Atmosphere System Study)** : model development and evaluation, concentrating on the new generation of land surface models.



**GASS (Global Atmospheric System Studies)** : projects that bring together experts to contribute to the development of atmospheric models

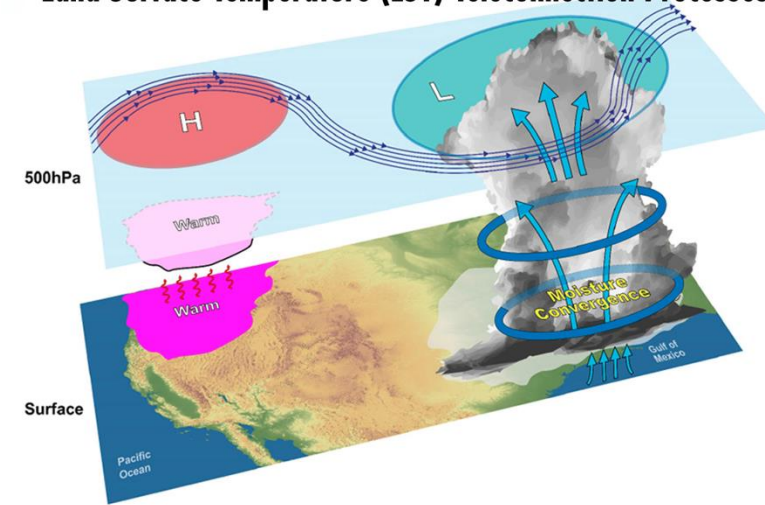
# The LS4P project (GEWEX/GASS)

- Spring **Land Surface Temperature (LST)** over high altitude regions (Rocky Mountains, Tibetan Plateau) impacts downstream summer temperature/precipitation (*Xue et al. 2016, 2018*)  
-> LST potential source of atmospheric predictability

- LS4P : a coordinated multi-model forecast experiment

- **General idea** : Adjust LST spring initial conditions over high elevation regions (t2m bias reduction) in S2S forecasts and evaluate the impact on precipitation/circulation anomalies ... and skill

Land Surface Temperature (LST) Teleconnection Processes



Pr. Yongkang Xue, UCLA

# The LS4P project (GEWEX/GASS)

- Setup of a large **multi-model predictability study** :

*Impact of Initialized Land Temperature and Snowpack on Sub-seasonal to Seasonal Prediction (LS4P, Xue et al. 2021)*

- Endorsed by GEWEX (38 institutions involved, <https://ls4p.geog.ucla.edu/>)

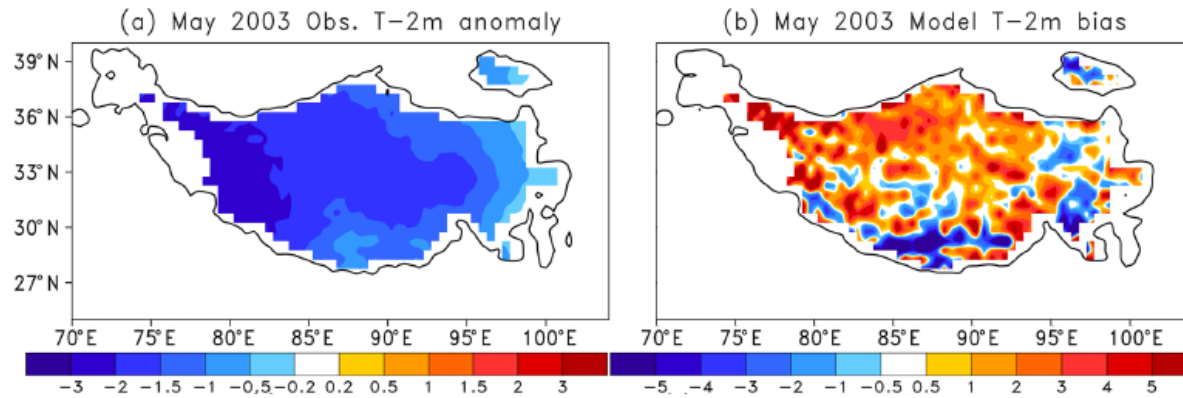


**21 ESM Groups;  
9 RCM Groups;  
7 Data Groups;  
1 Data Base**

**Five workshops  
(1998, 1999, 2022,  
2023 AGU,  
1999 Nanjing  
University)**

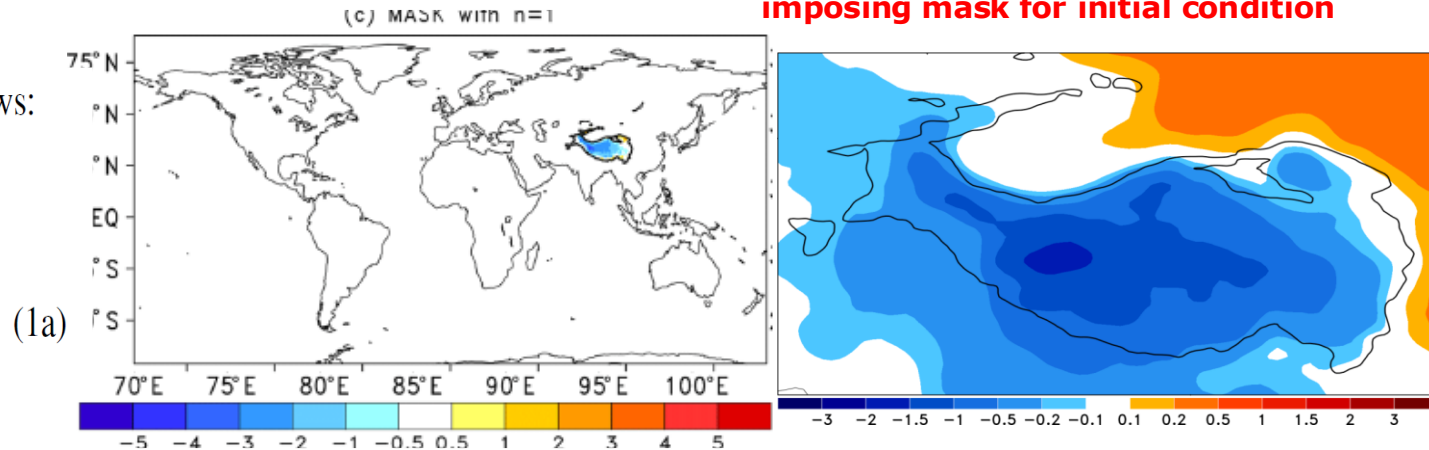
# Phase 1 of the LS4P (ending in 2023)

- Case study of **May-June 2003** : extreme summer drought/flood occurred in East Asia after a very cold spring in the TP
- Initialization strategy :



Imposed Mask at 1<sup>st</sup> time step

**Simulated May T-2m difference after imposing mask for initial condition**



Applying the mask,  $\tilde{T}_0(i, j)$ , will be defined as follows:

$$\tilde{T}_0(i, j) = T_0(i, j) + \Delta T_{\text{mask}}(i, j) = T_0(i, j) + [-n \times T_{\text{obs anomaly}}(i, j) - T_{\text{bias}}(i, j)],$$

when  $\bar{T}_{\text{obs anomaly}} \times \bar{T}_{\text{bias}} \geq 0$ ,

Xue et al. (2021, GMD)

# Phase 1 of the LS4P (ending in 2023)

## Tibetan Plateau – Rocky Mountain Circumglobal Wave Train (TRC) and TP Effect Hotspots

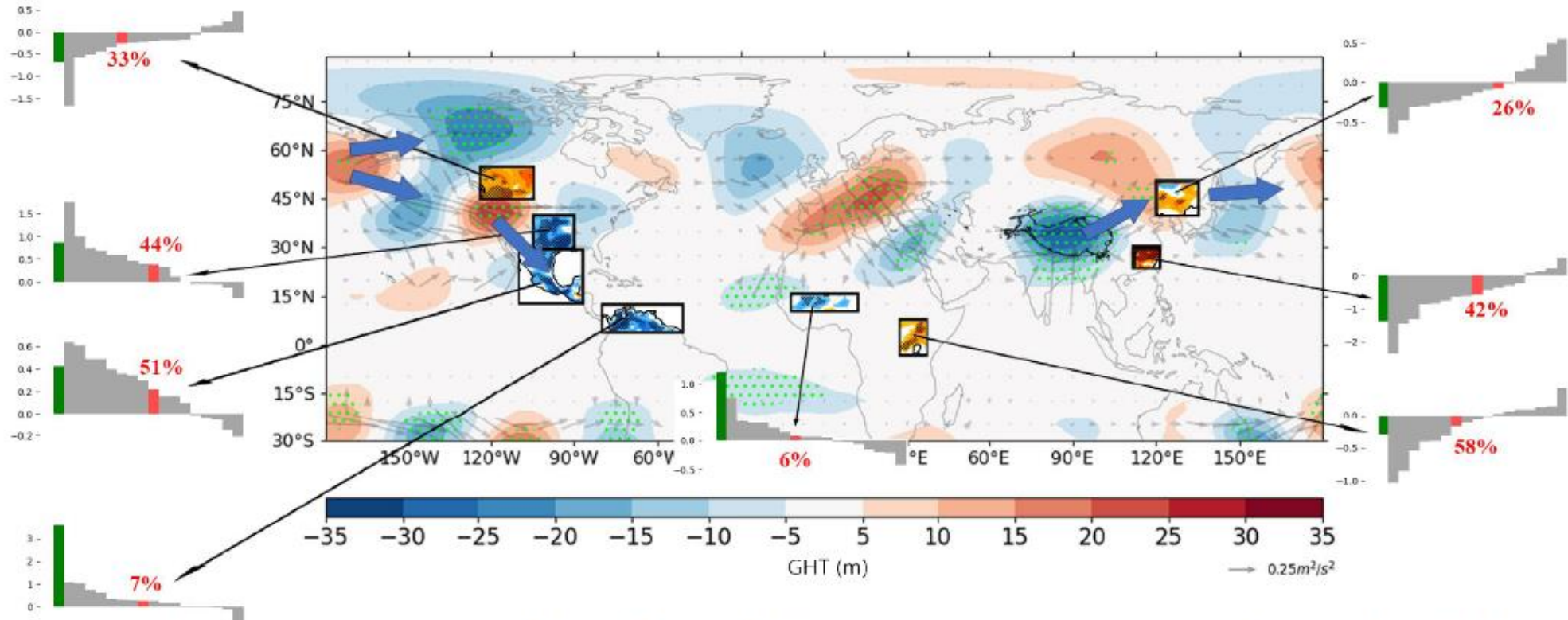


Fig. 2 The schematic diagram is based on Xue et al. (2022, 2024) to demonstrate the TRC global influence and possible hotspots (8 bold boxes). The color shadings within the boxes are snapshots of the LS4P multi-model ensemble means June 2003 precipitation anomaly due to the effect of cold TP LST/SUBT (based on Xue et al., 2024), and elsewhere are observed 200-hPa geopotential height (GHT) anomaly due to cold TP temperature. Green bar is observation, and red bar is ensemble mean in each hot spot. Green dots in wave train represent statical significance at  $p < 0.1$ . The vectors are wave activity flux and heavy arrows illustrate the TRC propagation.

# LS4P main findings

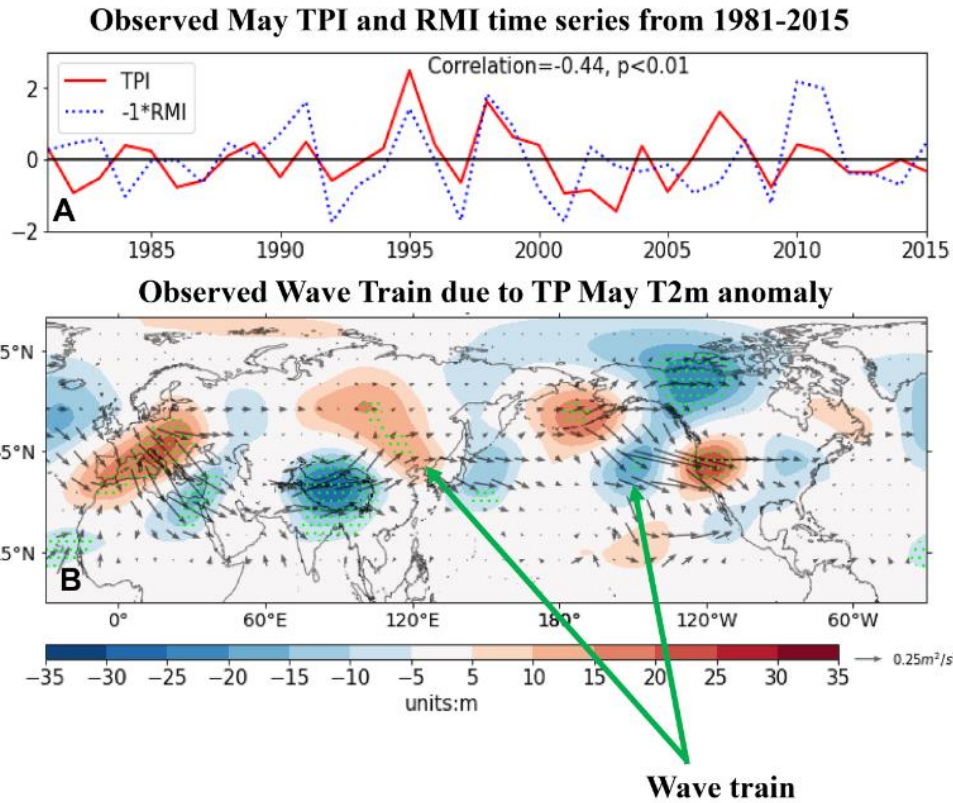
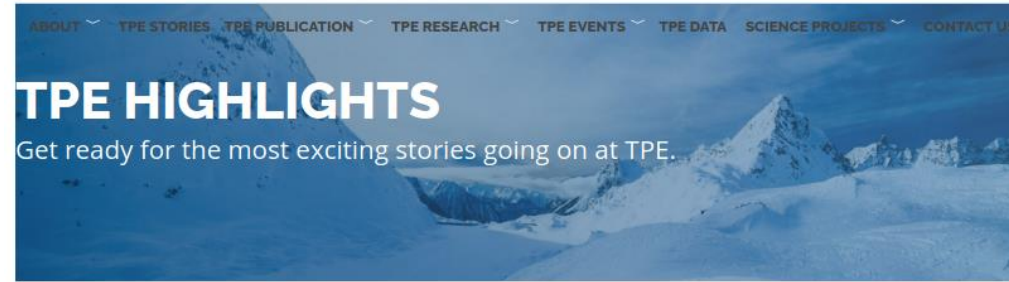


Fig. 4. Linkage between the TP and North America. (a) TPI and RMI time series. (b) Wave train. The plot in (b) is the regression of May 200-hPa geopotential height (m) of NCEP Reanalysis I from 1981 to 2015 onto (-1) times the normalized May TPI and corresponding wave activity flux (WAF;  $m^2 s^{-2}$ ). In (b) the shading denotes the geopotential height, and vectors denote the WAF.

(Xue et al.,  
BAMS 2022)



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## Uncovering the Missing Link in Extreme Climate Event Prediction: The TRC Wave Train

a new climate phenomenon called TRC wave train was discovered which could improve our ability to predict extreme hydroclimate events

March 20, 2023 | Deep Sarkar, Xia Cuihui



The scientific team from TPE and their international collaborators have made a groundbreaking discovery in climate science that could improve our ability to predict extreme hydroclimate events. The team has discovered a new climate phenomenon called the [Tibetan Plateau-Rocky Mountain Circumglobal \(TRC\) wave train](#).



# Publications

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## 2021 GMD

### Impact of Initialized Land Surface Temperature and Snowpack on Subseasonal to Seasonal Prediction Project, Phase I (LS4P-I): organization and experimental design

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## 2022 BAMS In Box

### Spring Land Temperature in Tibetan Plateau and Global-Scale Summer Precipitation

#### Initialization and Improved Prediction

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# The LS4P project : current status and prospects

- Ongoing : **phase-2** of the project
- **Case study of May-June 1998** :
  - Severe drought in Texas/Oklahoma with a cold spring in the western U.S.
  - Severe flooding in the Yangtze River Basin with a warm spring in the TP.
  - Strong El Nino year : Effect to compare with high elevation LSTs.
- Third (and last ?) phase to kick-off in ~one year (AGU 2025) :  
**focus on the Andes** spring LST and the impact on the subsequent  
**Southern Hemisphere atmospheric circulation**

- GHP Potential Crosscutting Projects :  
Seasonal hydrologic prediction : 'desirable' CC activities by GHP.  
Currently seeking a project leader.
- GEWEX OSC :



- A few available presentations from the following sessions :
- Land-Atmosphere Interactions and Climate Predictability, Including S2S)
  - Predictability and prediction of extreme events
  - Advances in flood research, including prediction

<https://www.gewexevents.org/osc2024-presentations/>



**Any questions ?**