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Examining the competing effects of contemporary land management vs. land cover changes on global air quality

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Text S1. Here we provide our reasoning for considering changes in displacement height (*d*) as negligibly small compared to changes in roughness length (z_o). Equation S1 demonstrates how aerodynamic resistance (R_a) is typically calculated in land surface exchange scheme:

$$R_a = \frac{1}{\kappa u_*} \left(\ln \left(\frac{z-d}{z_0} \right) - \Psi \left(\frac{z-d}{L} \right) + \Psi \left(\frac{z_0}{L} \right) \right)$$
(S1)

where κ is von Kármán constant, u_* is friction velocity (m s⁻¹), *L* is Obukhov Length (*L*), *z* is altitude, *z_o* is roughness length, and *d* is displacement height (m) (Foken, 2006). Since the middle of the first vertical grid of GEOS-Chem (*z*) is around 60 – 70 meters (http://wiki.seas.harvard.edu/geos-chem/index.php/GEOS-Chem_vertical_grids), which is significantly larger than *d* such that $z - d \approx z$ under most conditions, the changes in *d* are expected to be less important than the changes in *z₀*.

Text S2. The population-weighted averaged changes surface O₃ (ppb) or PM_{2.5} (μ g m⁻³) (Δ [X]_{pop_weighted, Y}) for region Y is calculated as follow:

$$\Delta[X]_{\text{pop_weighted},Y} = \frac{\sum_{i}^{gridcells \, in \, Y} \Delta[X]_{i} Pop_{i}}{\sum_{i}^{gridcells \, in \, Y} Pop_{i}} (S2)$$

where $\Delta[X]_i$ is changes in surface concentration of concerned chemical species, and Pop_i is the population count for individual gridcell i. The global gridded population is from the fourth version of The Gridded Population of the World (GPWv4) (CIESIN, 2018), and remapped to match the resolution of GEOS-Chem output.



Fig. S1 Modelled annual surface concentration of SO_4^{2-} , NO_3^{2-} and NH_4^+ aerosol for 2014. Filled circles indicate measured annual means for 2014 compiled from Air Quality System (AQS) of Environmental Protection Department (EPD) for United States (US), National Atmospheric Chemistry (NAtChem) database for Canada, European Monitoring and Evaluation Programme (EMEP) for Europe, Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia (EANET) for eastern Asia, and Geng et al. (2017) for China. The data from AQS, NAtChem, EMEP and EANET.



Fig. S2 Comparison between mean modelled and observed surface ozone compiled by Sofen et al. (2016) at 2014. MAE and MB represents the mean absolute error and mean bias, respectively.



Figure S3. Regionally changes (2014 - 1992) in agricultural and non-agricultural NH₃ emissions from CEDS.



Figure S4. LULCC-induced changes in annual mean dry deposition (v_d) velocity (cm s⁻¹) and flux (F_d) (molec cm⁻² s⁻¹) in of NO₂ and SO₂.



Figure S5. Change in annual mean $PM_{2.5}$ (in µg m⁻³) due to a) LULCC and changes in agricultural emissions at 1992 anthropogenic emissions background (simulation 5 – simulation 1), and b) anthropogenic emission changes (including agricultural emissions) (simulation 4 – simulation 5).



Figure S6. Annual mean surface HNO₃/H₂O₂ ratio under 1992 and 2014 anthropogenic emission background.



Figure S7. Change in annual mean surface O_3 (in ppbv) due to a) LULCC and changes in agricultural emissions at 1992 anthropogenic emissions background (simulation 5 – simulation 1), and b) anthropogenic emissions changes (including agricultural emissions) (simulation 4 – simulation 5).



Figure S8. Contribution of different pathways (wet vs dry, reduced (NH_{*x*}) vs oxidized (NO_{*y*})) to the changes in total nitrogen deposition. NH_{*x*} \equiv NH₃ + NH₄ and NO_{*y*} \equiv NO + NO₂ + HONO + organic nitrates + aerosol nitrate.



Figure S9. Grid cells (denoted in red) with annual mean NO₂ concentration exceeding 0.05 and 0.6 ppb.

Region	Species	Mod	Obs	Mod/Obs
US	SO_4^{2-}	0.88	1.27	0.70
	NO_3^-	0.77	0.93	0.83
	$\mathrm{NH_{4}^{+}}$	0.54	0.69	0.79
Canada	SO_4^{2-}	0.78	0.92	0.85
	NO_3^-	0.84	0.44	1.92
	\mathbf{NH}_{4}^{+}	0.52	0.36	1.46
Europe	SO_4^{2-}	1.84	2.08	0.88
	NO_3^-	1.67	1.51	1.10
	NH_{4}^{+}	1.16	1.11	1.05
China	SO_4^{2-}	8.53	18.93	0.45
	NO_3^-	6.16	10.15	0.61
	\mathbf{NH}_{4}^{+}	4.83	7.61	0.64
EANET	SO_4^{2-}	2.33	3.64	0.64
	NO_3^-	1.09	1.31	0.84
	\mathbf{NH}_{4}^{+}	1.15	1.01	1.14

Table S1. Comparison between modelled and observed annual average surface sulphate, nitrate and ammonium aerosol mass (in μ g m⁻³) over different region/observational network. Measurements are compiled from Air Quality System (AQS) of Environmental Protection Department (EPD) for United States (US), National Atmospheric Chemistry (NAtChem) database for Canada, European Monitoring and Evaluation Programme (EMEP) for Europe, Acid Deposition Monitoring Network in East Asia (EANET) for eastern Asia, and Geng et al. (2017) for China. The data from AQS, NAtChem, EMEP and EANET are collect in 2014.

Region	Countries included	
Former Soviet Union (FSU)	Armenia, Azerbaijan, Belarus, Georgia,	
	Kazakhstan, Kyrgyzstan, Moldova, Russia,	
	Tajikistan, Turkmenistan, Ukraine, Uzbekistan	
Western Europe (WEU)	Austria, Belgium, Switzerland, Germany,	
	Denmark, Spain, Finland, France,	
	United Kingdom, Greece, Ireland, Iceland, Italy,	
	Luxembourg, Netherlands, Norway, Portugal,	
	Sweden	
Central and eastern Europe (CEU)	Albania, Bulgaria, Bosnia and Herzegovina,	
	Cyprus, Czechia, Estonia, Croatia, Hungary,	
	Kosovo, Lithuania, Latvia, Montenegro, Poland,	
	Romania, Serbia, Slovakia, Slovenia	
China	China	
South Asia (SAs)	Afghanistan, Bangladesh, Bhutan, India, Sri	
	Lanka, Nepal, Pakistan	
Middle East (ME)	United Arab Emirates, Egypt, Iran, Iraq, Israel,	
	Kuwait, Lebanon, Oman, Qatar, Saudi Arabia,	
	Syria, Turkey, West Bank, Yemen	
Southeast Asia (SEA)	Brunei, Indonesia, Cambodia, Laos, Myanmar,	
	Malaysia, Philippines, Thailand, Vietnam	

Japan and Korea (JK)	Japan, South Korea, North Korea	
Australasia (Aus)	Australia, Fiji, New Caledonia, New Zealand,	
	Papua New Guinea, Solomon Islands, Vanuatu	
North America (NAm)	Canada, United States	
Central America (CAm)	Belize, Costa Rica, Cuba, Guatemala, Honduras,	
	Haiti, Jamaica, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama,	
	Puerto Rico, El Salvador, Trinidad and Tobago	
South America (SAm)	Argentina, Bolivia, Brazil, Chile, Colombia,	
	Ecuador, Guyana, Peru, Paraguay, Suriname,	
	Uruguay, Venezuela, French Guiana	
Northern Africa (NAf)	Algeria, Libya, Morocco, Tunisia	
Western Africa (WAf)	Benin, Burkina Faso, Ivory Coast, Cameroon,	
	Gabon, Ghana, Guinea, Gambia, Guinea Bissau,	
	Liberia, Mali, Mauritania, Niger, Nigeria,	
	Senegal, Sierra Leone, Chad, Togo	
Southern Africa (SAf)	Angola, Botswana, Lesotho, Mozambique,	
	Malawi, Namibia, Swaziland, South Africa,	
	Zambia, Zimbabwe	
Eastern Africa (EAf)	Burundi, Djibouti, Eritrea, Ethiopia, Kenya,	
	Madagascar, Rwanda, Sudan, Somaliland,	
	Somalia, Uganda	

 Table S2. Definition of regions.

Region [†]	$\Delta PM_{2.5(LULCC+agr_emis,1992)}$	$\Delta O_{3(LULCC+agr_emis,1992)}$
FSU	-0.69 (-1.95)	-
WEU	-0.49 (-1.24)	-
CEU	-2.03 (-2.22)	-
China	+0.34 (+0.75)	+0.09 (-0.21)
SAs	+0.55 (+0.82)	+0.26 (+0.25)
ME	+0.20 (+0.33)	-
SEA	+0.21 (+0.17)	+0.32 (+0.26)
JK	-0.08 (-0.23)	-
NAm	+0.15 (+0.56)	-0.05 (-0.21)
CAm	+0.10 (+0.22)	-
WAf	-	+0.20 (+0.30)
EAf	-	+0.16 (+0.27)
Global	-0.08 (+0.23)	+0.01 (+0.03)

 $\begin{array}{l} \textbf{Table S3. Changes in area averaged, and population-weighted (in parentheses), annual mean surface \\ PM_{2.5} (\Delta PM_{2.5(LULCC+agr_emis,1992)}, in \mbox{ in } \mu g \ m^{-3}) \ and \ O_3 \ (\Delta O_{3(LULCC+agr_emis,1992)}, in \ ppbv) \ concentrations \ due \ to \\ combined effects \ of \ LULCC \ and \ agricultural emission \ evaluated \ under \ 1992 \ anthropogenic \ emission \\ background. \ Results \ only \ from \ regions \ with \ area- \ or \ population-weighted \ average \\ \Delta PM_{2.5(LULCC+agr_emis,1992)} > 0.2 \ \mu g \ m^{-3} \ or \ \Delta O_{3(LULCC+agr_emis,1992)} > 0.2 \ ppbv \ are \ shown. \end{array}$

[†]The definitions and abbreviations of all regions can be found in Table S2.

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