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SPECIFIC TO VULCAN:

The Vulcan data product uses a large amount of data to estimate fossil fuel CO₂ emissions at the scale of approximately a US census tract every hour of the year. The exact resolution is a mixture of points, lines and poly-shapes.

The amount of data ingested by the Vulcan system in order to produce the fossil fuel CO₂ emissions estimate is far too large for the Vulcan team to QA/QC. We cannot be responsible for errors in the original data. We have found errors, typos, redundant entries, etc in the original data. We have repaired all those that we have found.

Hence, if you are using our data product and find estimates that appear inconsistent with expectation, PLEASE CONTACT US AND LET US KNOW.

The Vulcan data product is not intended to be compared to atmospheric CO₂ at a point location or from aircraft in flight campaign mode. For that type of research we recommend you use the Hestia data product which quantifies fossil fuel CO₂ at the building/street segment scale. If the Hestia is not available for the location you are doing research, the Vulcan product can be used but with caution.

If you do utilize the Vulcan data product for the purposes of comparing to point or campaign-based atmospheric CO₂ measurements, please contact us before publishing the results that use our work so that we can ensure that it has been used in a manner consistent with its intended use.

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