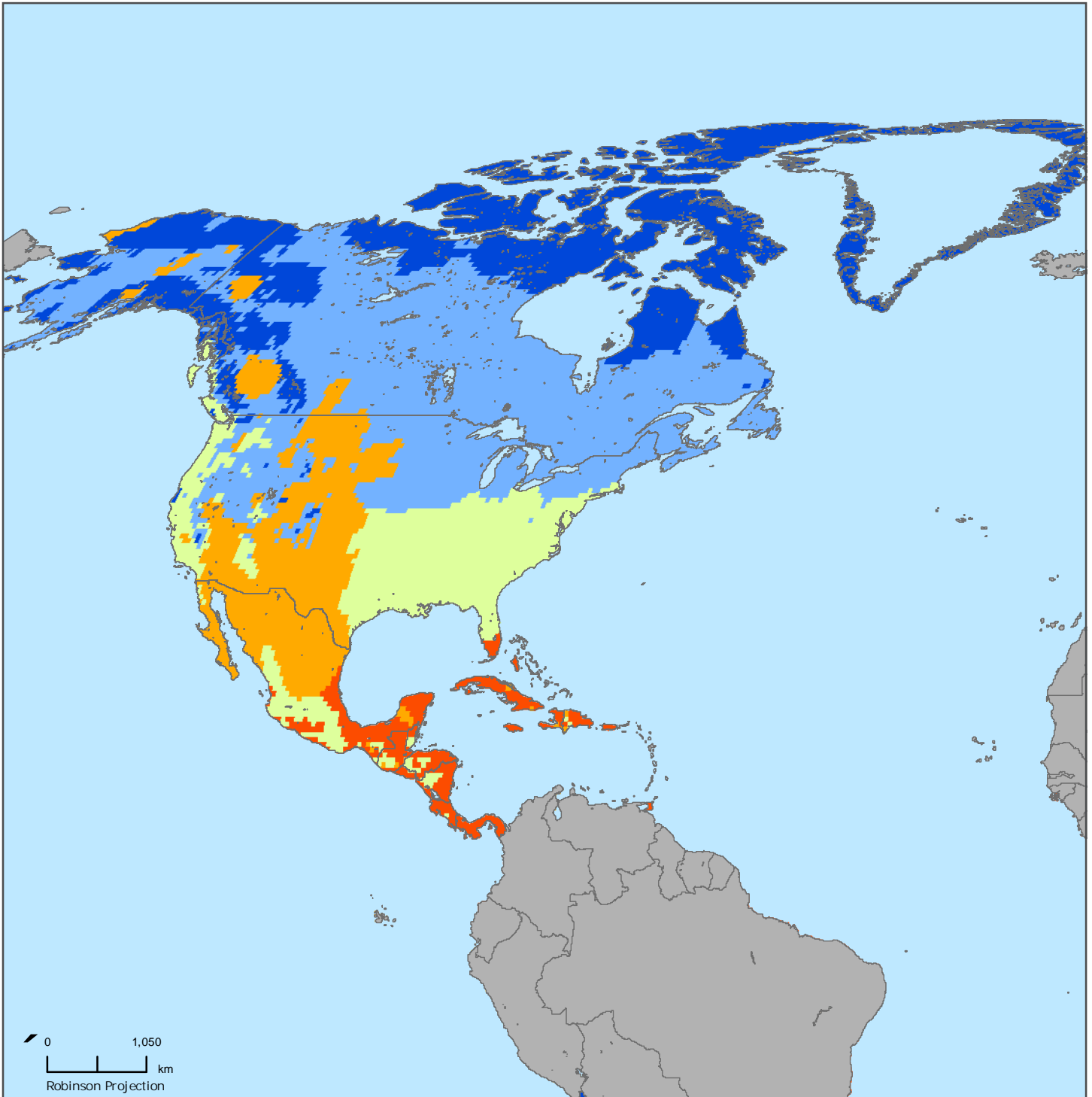


Climate Zones

North America



Generalized Climate Zones:  Tropical  Dry/Desert  Temperate  Cold  Polar/Tundra

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