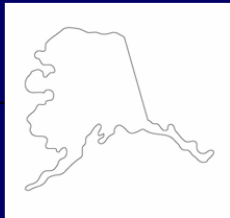


**Ocean Observing Systems  
in the Pacific:  
Relevance to Coastal Decision-  
Making**

*2006 Ocean and Coastal Program Managers' Meeting  
Washington, DC  
March 8, 2006*

**Molly McCammon  
Alaska Ocean Observing System**

# Diverse Needs Require a Regional Approach



# The Multifaceted Benefits of IOOS

Deployment and operation of an Integrated and Sustained Ocean Observing System will:

- More effectively protect and restore healthy ecosystems,
- Sustain and restore living marine resources,
- Improve the safety and efficiency of marine operations,
- Improve prediction of natural hazards (including tsunamis and storm surges) to reduce resulting damages and costs,
- Improve predictions of climate change and its socio-economic consequences,
- Improve national security and Coast Guard operations, and
- Reduce public health risks.

# Regional Associations Also Build IOOS Partnerships (an informed constituency)

~ 480 partners and growing

- Business and Industry (66)
- Shipping (18)
- Researchers and Universities (149)
- State agencies (59)
- NGOs (58)
- International Organizations (11)
- Local and Tribal governments (8)
- Federal Agencies (106)



### Southern California Regions

- [Morro Bay](#)
- [Santa Barbara Channel](#)
- [Ventura County](#)
- [Los Angeles](#)
- [South Channel Islands](#)
- [Orange County](#)
- [North San Diego](#)
- [San Diego / Mexico](#)

### Available Products

- [Automated Shore Stations](#)
- [Manual Shore Stations](#)
- [Bathymetry](#)
- [Moorings](#)
- [Satellite Imagery](#)
- [Shoreline Water Quality](#)
- [Overview](#)
- [Historic Data Access](#)
- [Santa Barbara](#)
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- [San Diego](#)

### Surface Current Maps

- [Surface Winds](#)
- [Wave Conditions \(CDIP\)](#)
- [Cast Data \(Ships & Gliders\)](#)

### Grab Raw Data

## SCCOOS Shoreline Water Quality Data Retrieval System

UTC Time: 2005-10-24 18:41:58

Local Time: 2005-10-24 11:41:58

### Station List

- MB-203
- MB-223
- MB-225
- MDP10
- MDP11
- MHH01
- MHH07
- MHH10
- MHH14
- OC-010
- OC-020
- OC-022
- OC-023
- OC-030
- OC-035
- OC-040
- OC-050
- OC-080
- OC-090
- OC-100
- OC-110
- ODB02
- ODB05
- OLB00
- OLB05

### Water Quality Data Retrieval System

Map Satellite Hybrid

Station ID: OLB05 [\(history\)](#)

Beach: Laguna Beach

Location: 33.54717 N, -117.80167 E

Sampled: 30 days ago

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Show Legend

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[View Sample Age Map](#)

Location	Last Sampled: 2005-09-19
Station: OLB05	Total Coliforms: >= 60 CFU/100ml
Beach: Laguna Beach	Fecal Coliforms: = 20 CFU/100ml
Position: 33.54717 N, -117.80167 E	Enterococci: = 6 CFU/100ml
Location: CRESCENT BAY	

**Exceedances (last 365 days)** Total Coliforms: 0 Fecal Coliforms: 0 Enterococci: 0

### Single Sample standards

Total Coliforms	10,000 organisms per 100 ml. sample
Fecal Coliforms	400 organisms per 100 ml. sample
Enterococci	104 organisms per 100 ml. sample
Fecal:Total ratio	If total coliforms >1,000 & ratio > 0.1

For more information, please visit <http://www.sdcountry.ca.gov/deh/>.  
Select "Beach and Bay Report" from their 'Key Issues' menu.

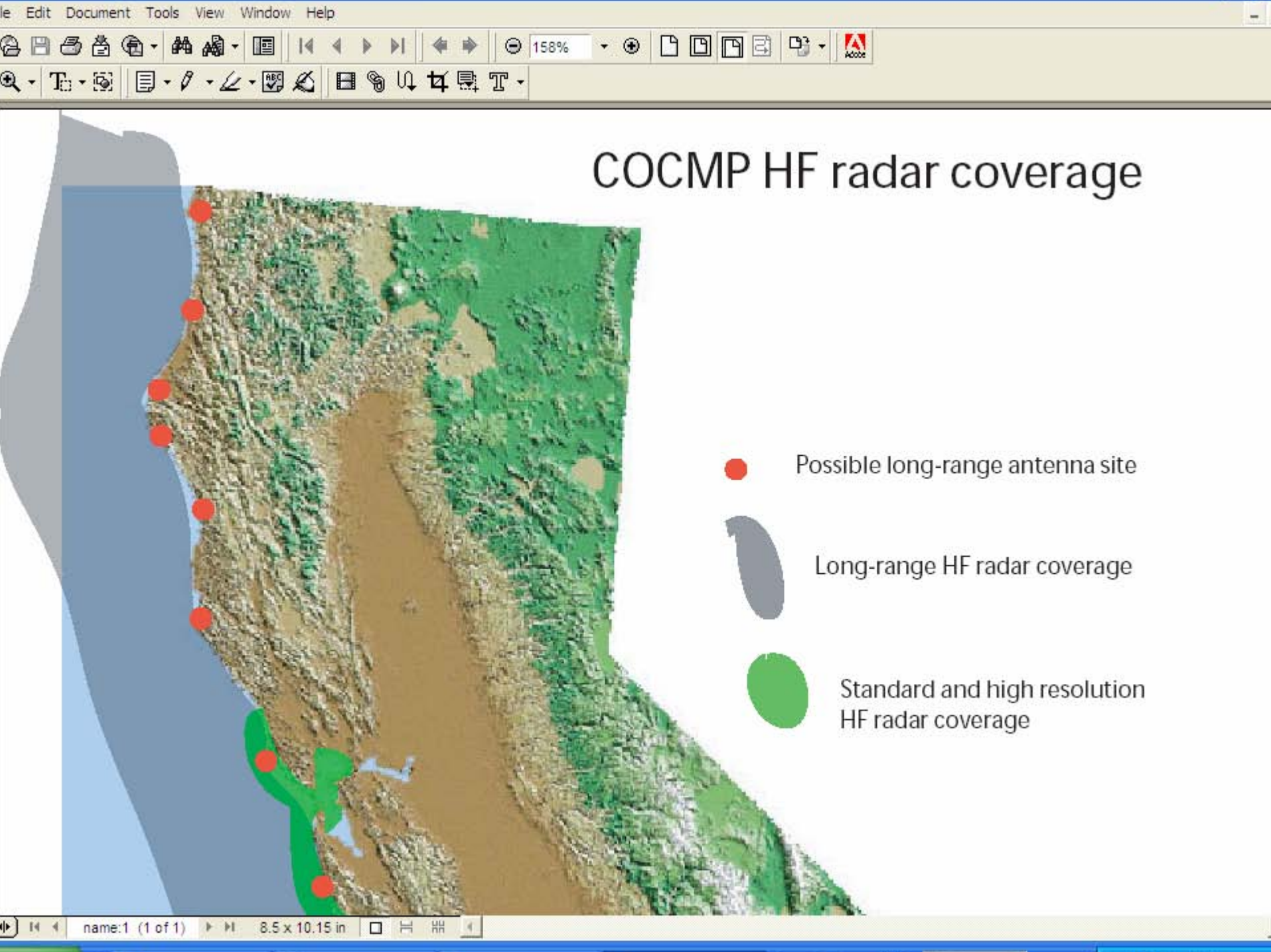


# COCMP

## HF RADAR COVERAGE

CA Prop 40/50  
\$21M for funding  
Coastal current  
Monitoring program

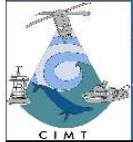








# Center for Integrated Marine Technology End User Driven Product Development

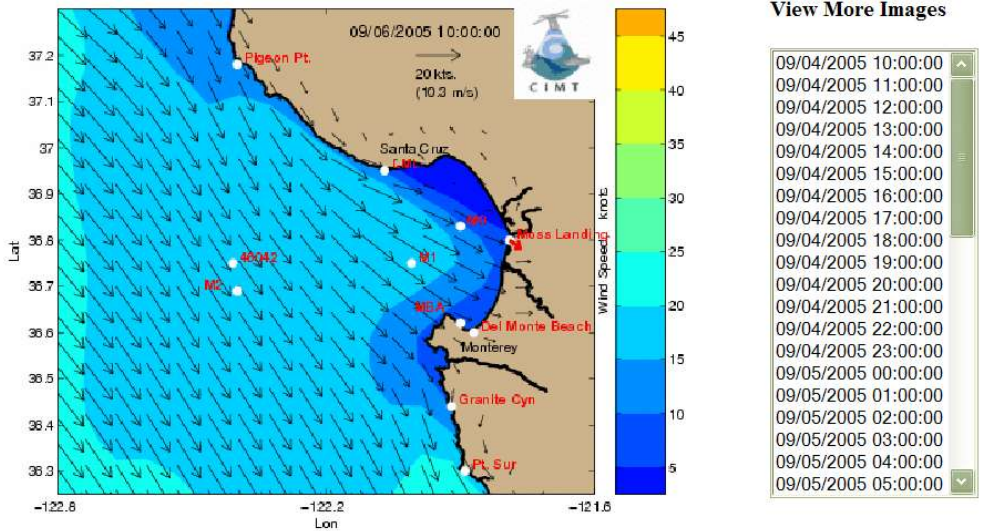


Center for Integrated Marine Technologies

Monterey Bay Winds CIMT Home Information Wind Product Disclaimer

## CIMT Realtime Wind Product Test Page

Wind for 09/06/2005 10:00 Pacific Daylight Saving Time



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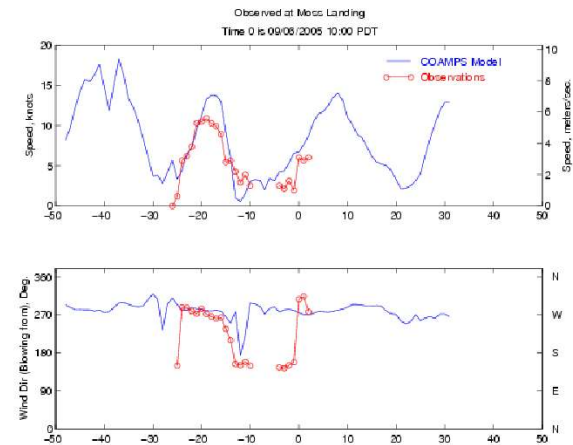


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## Time Series Plots for the COAMPS wind and the observations

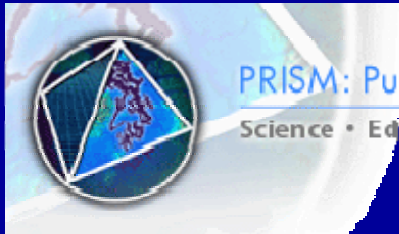
Station Moss Landing: 09/06/2005 10:00 PDT



<http://ocean.jpl.nasa.gov/cgi-bin/cimtwind.cgi>



# NANOOS Pilot Marine Monitoring Components



**PRISM: Puget Sound Regional Synthesis Model**  
 Science • Education • Partners • Operations • Utilities

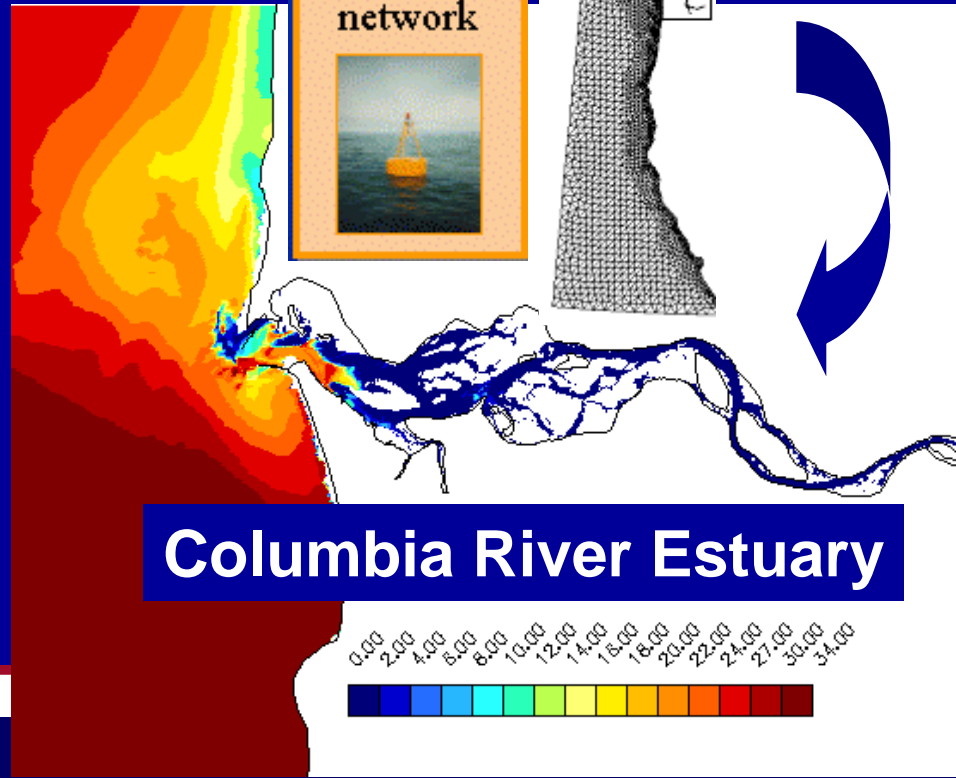
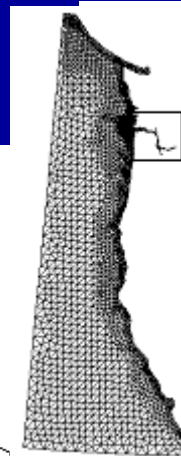
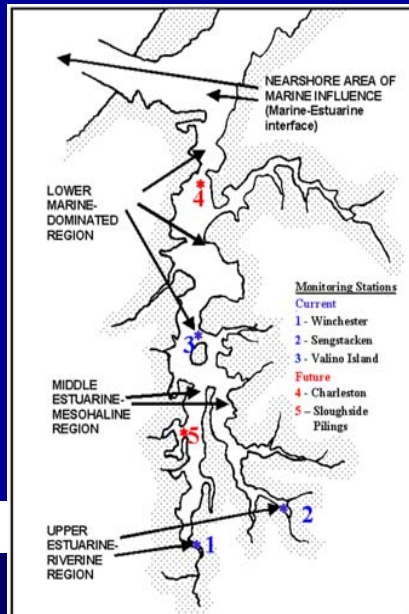


**Puget Sound, WA**

**Willapa Bay, WA**



**South Slough Estuary, OR**





*Northwest  
Association of  
Networked Ocean  
Observing Systems*



**South Slough National  
Estuarine Research Reserve**

**Utility of South Slough NERR / ICOOS Datastreams:**

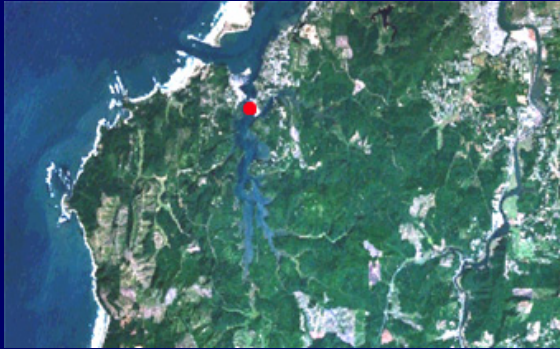
- 1. Development and validation of numerical hydrodynamic circulation model (w/ A. Baptista – OHSU)**
- 2. Index of growing conditions for commercial and recreational shellfish (w/ local oyster growers and ODFW)**



Coos Bay, Charleston Bridge, OR  
Observatory: South Slough NERR



<http://www.ccalmr.ogi.edu/nanoos/network/southslough/sosch>



[NANOOS Station Map](#) [Public Data Access](#)



YSI Estimated depth: depth unavailable

Most recent data:

Temperature: 10.54 °C

Salinity: 15.81 psu

Conductivity: 25.90 mS/cm

Oxygen: 9.61 mg/l

Oxygen Saturation: 95.40 %

pH: 7.86

Turbidity: 12.70

database last updated: 2006-01-30

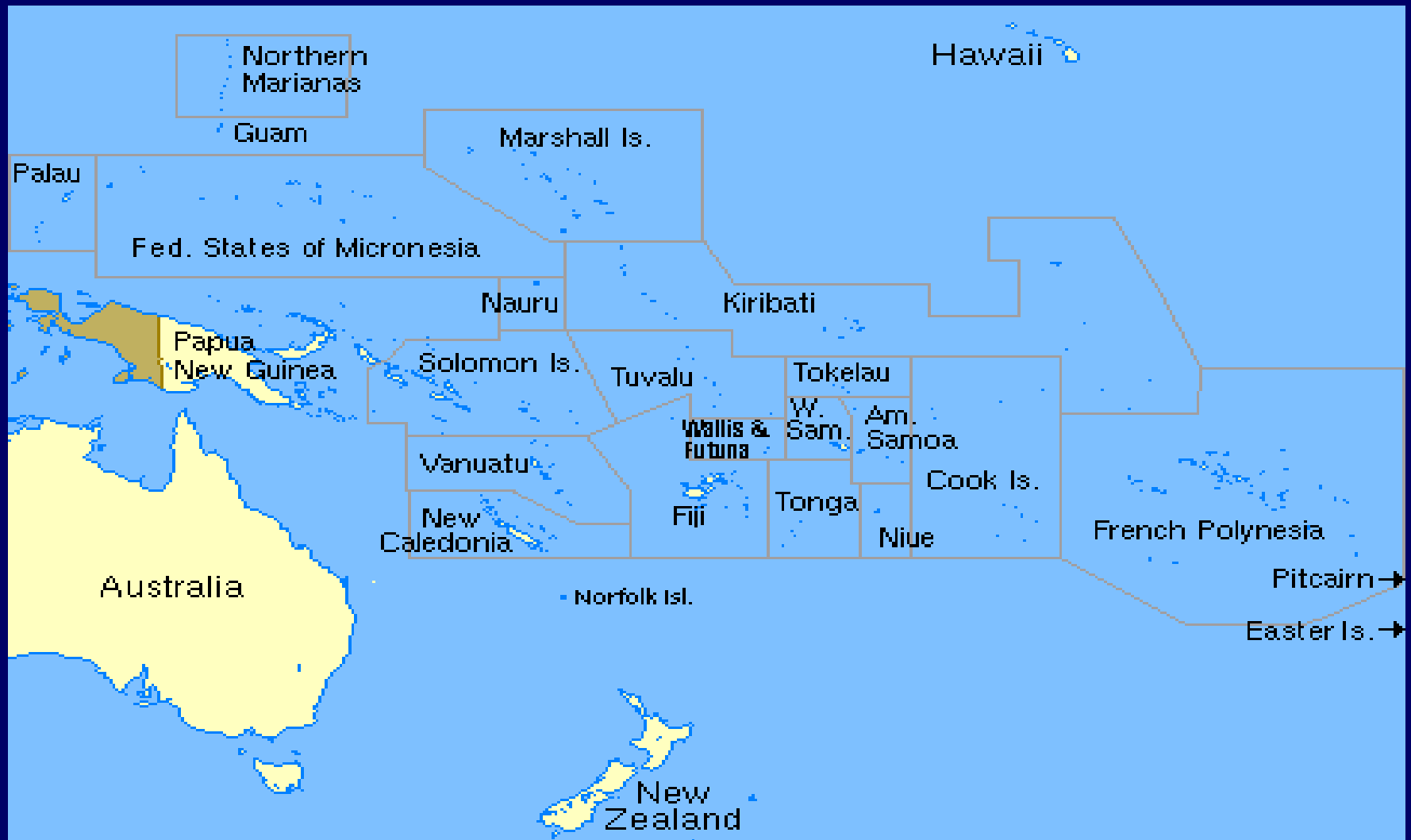
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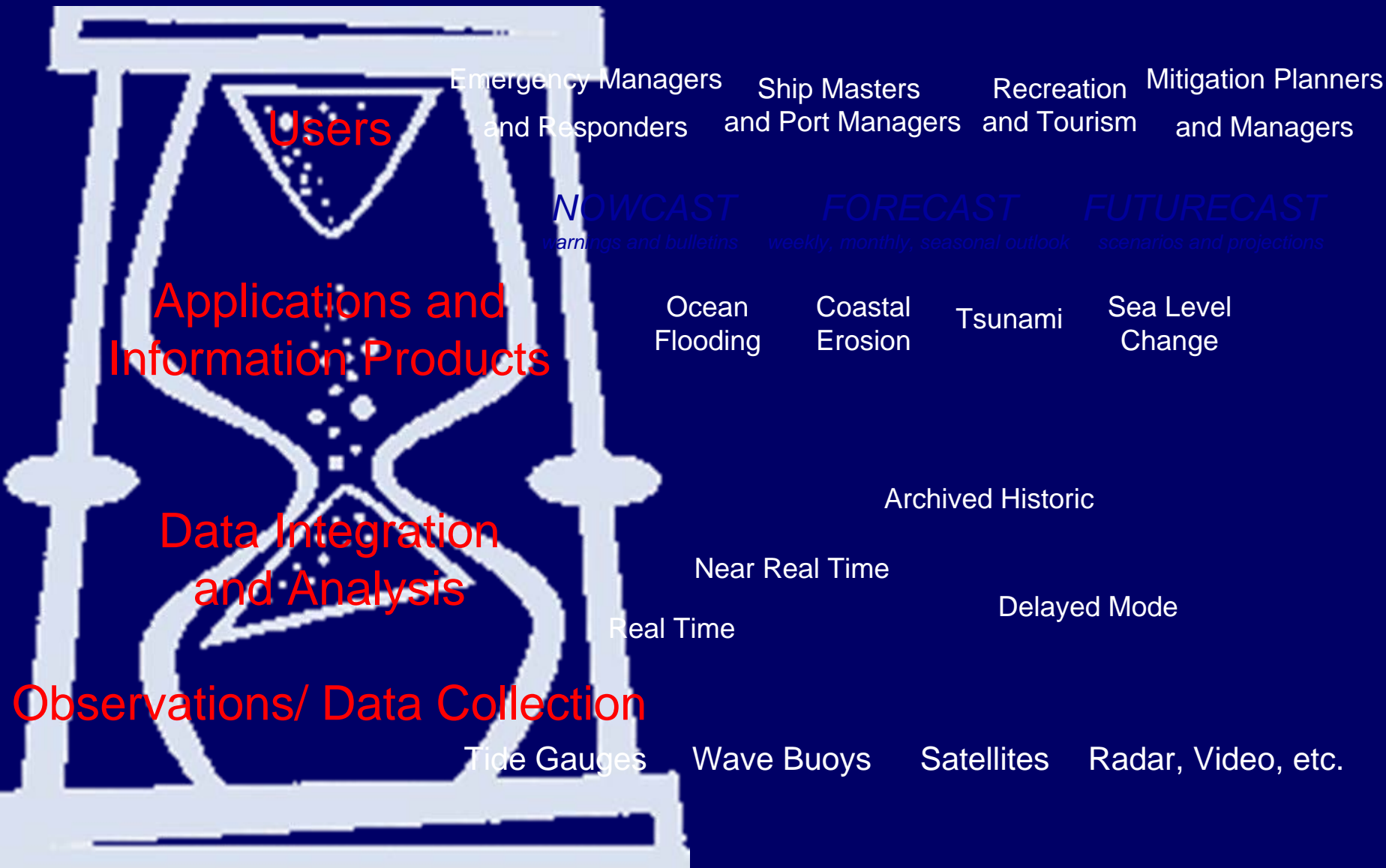
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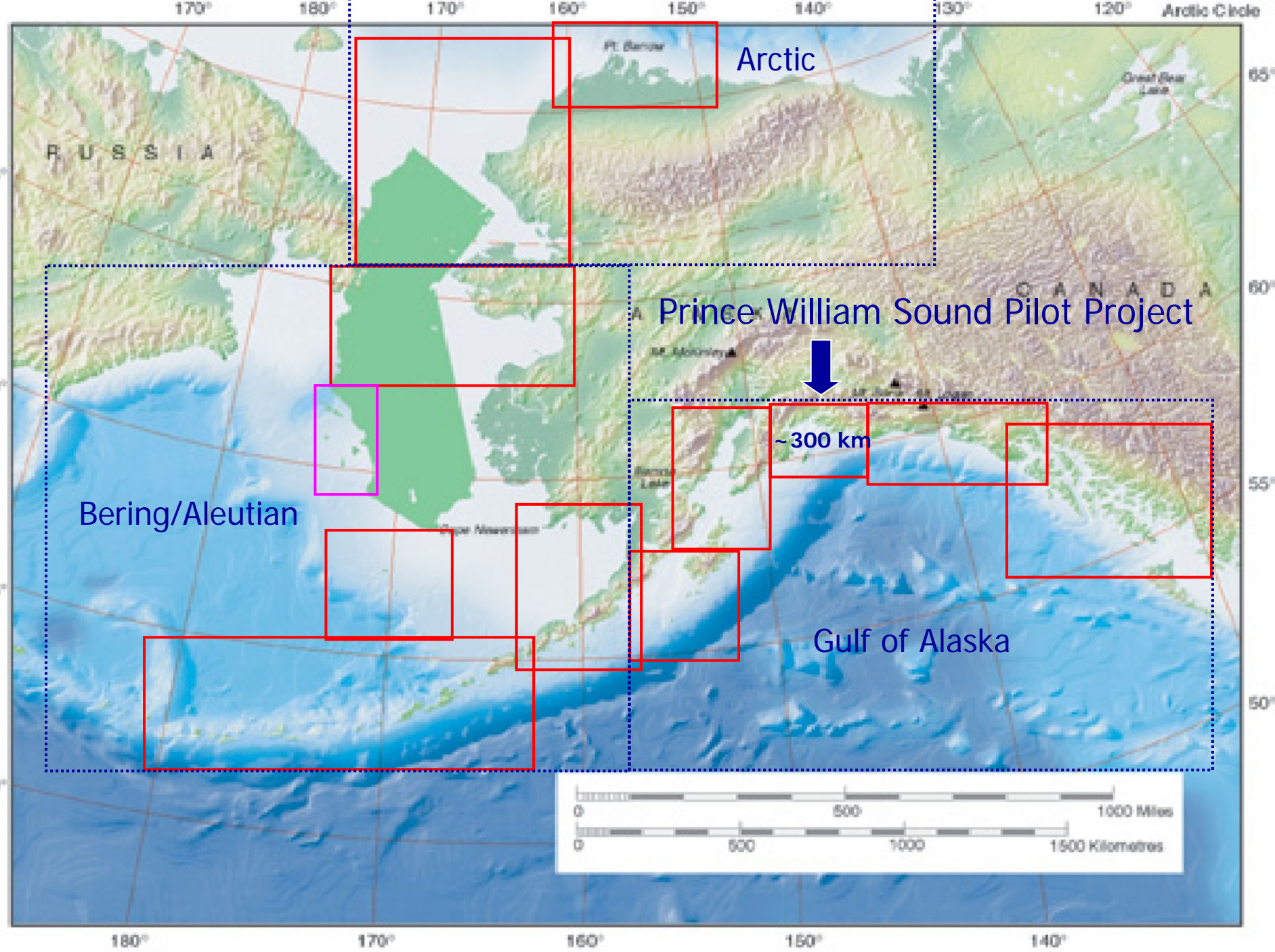
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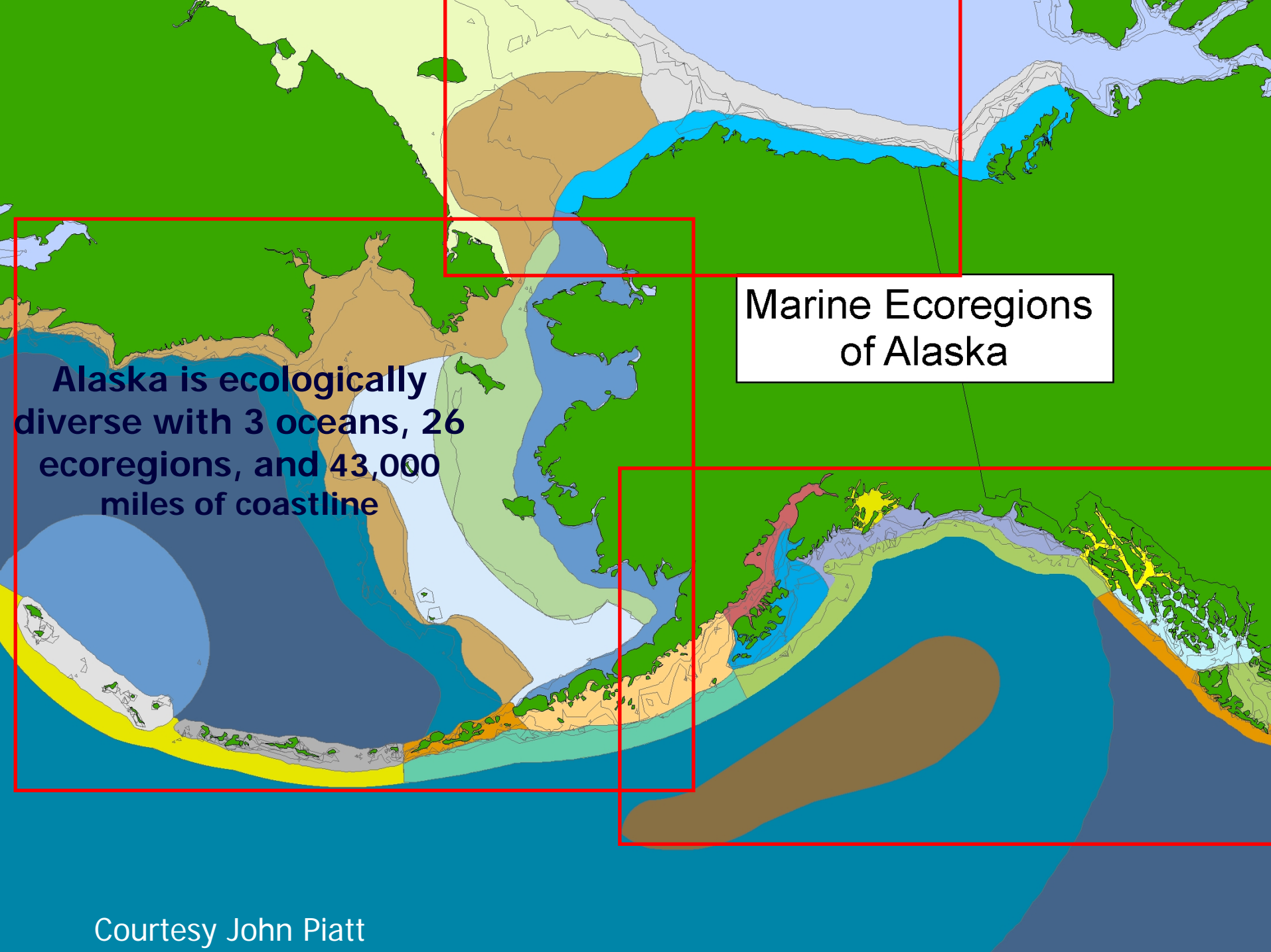




# Waves and Water Level Integrated System, Data, and Products Architecture







**Marine Ecoregions  
of Alaska**

**Alaska is ecologically  
diverse with 3 oceans, 26  
ecoregions, and 43,000  
miles of coastline**



# ACIA sea-ice forecasts

2010 - 2030



2040 - 2060

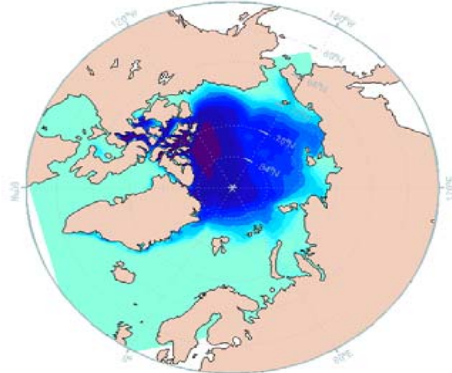


2070 - 2090

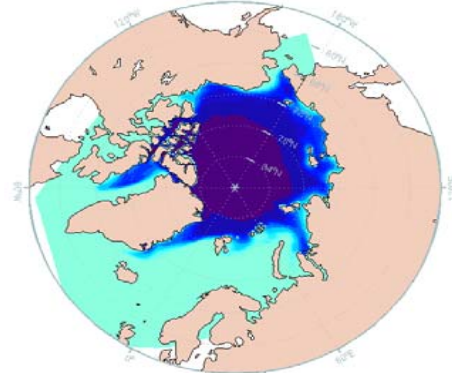


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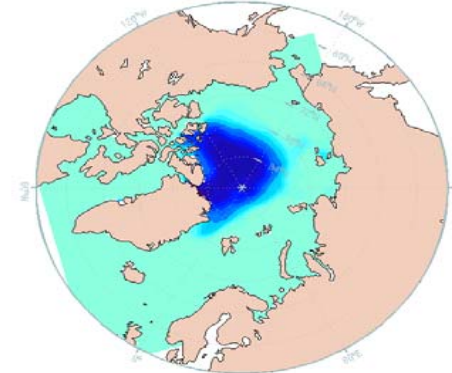
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Model B - September Concentration: Mean

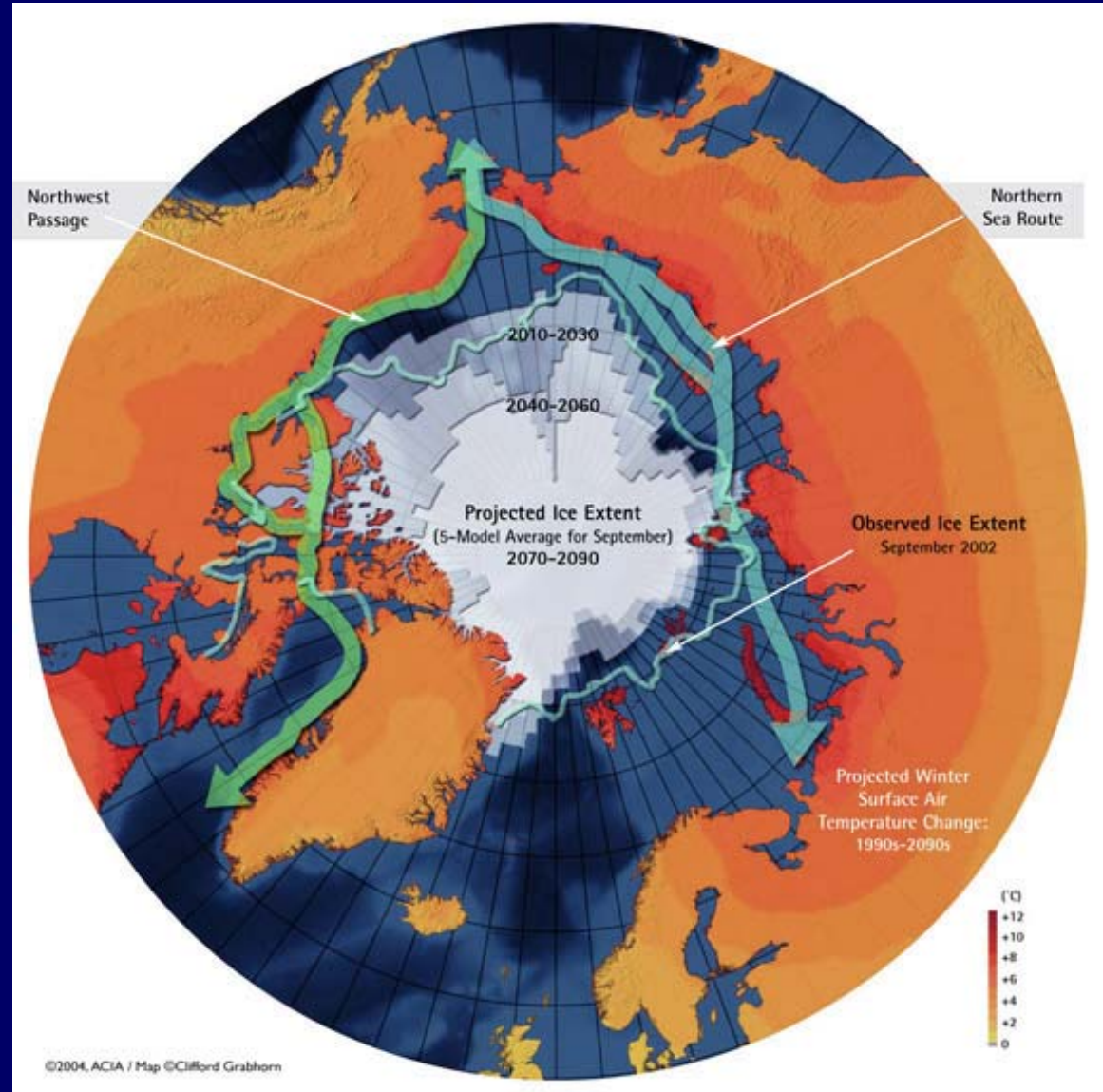


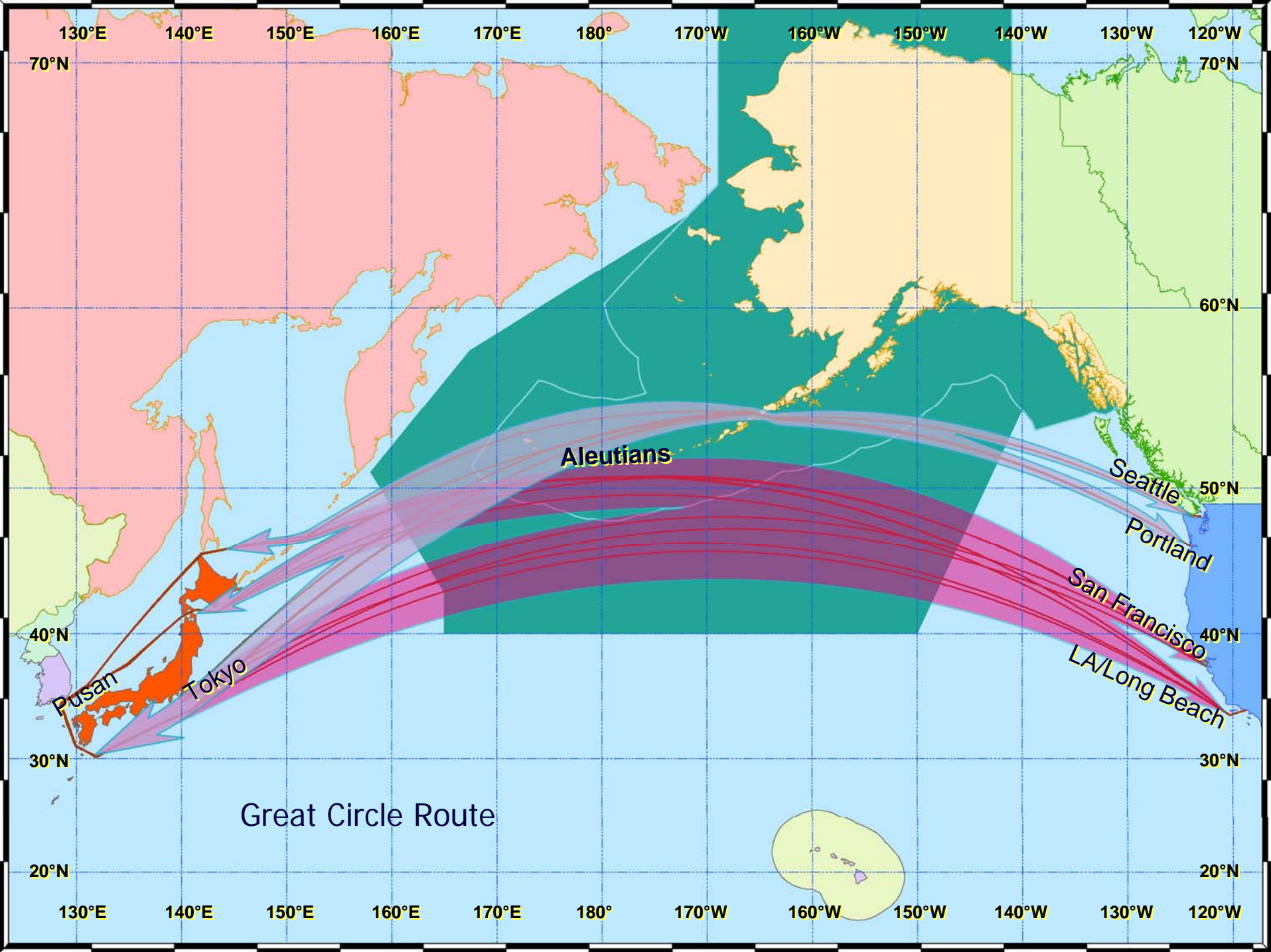
Model F - September Concentration: Mean





- ACIA Key Finding #6: Reduced sea ice is very likely to increase marine transport







# Statewide Issues and Users

- Users
  - State economic interests: fisheries, oil & gas, military
  - Govt regulators/managers
- Issues
  - Importance of resource extraction and military to state economy
  - Transportation needs in remote, harsh environment
  - Increased climate change & coastal erosion impacts



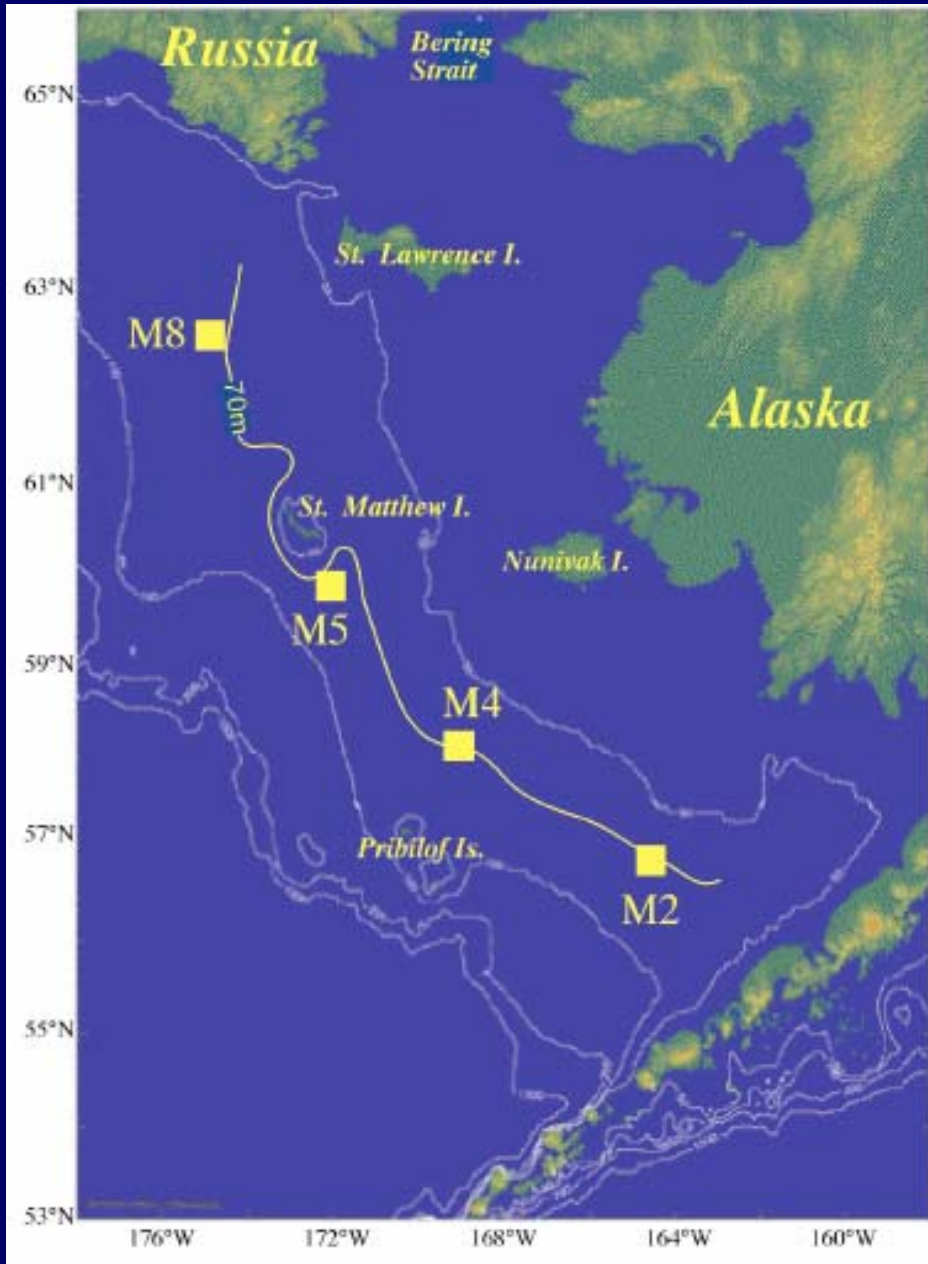
# Monitoring the Bering Sea

- 4 moorings along the 70-m isobath: temperature, salinity, fluorescence, nutrients, currents
- Spring and fall hydrographic transects: temperature, salinity, O<sub>2</sub>, fluorescence, nutrients, chlorophyll, zooplankton

## Results

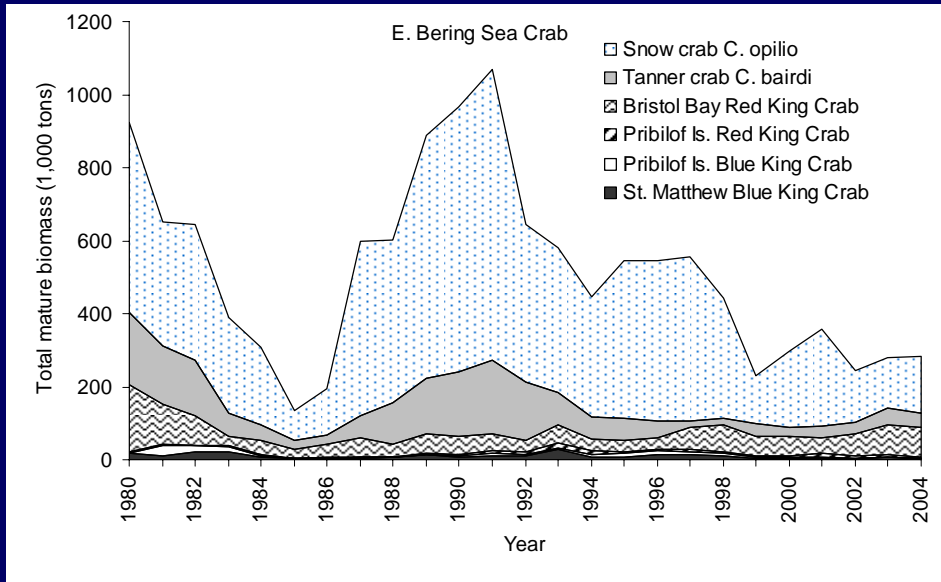
5th consecutive year with reduced ice cover (80-100% reduced from 1972) and increased temperature (~3°C).

Sharp front divides the warmer, more saline southern shelf from the colder, fresher northern shelf.

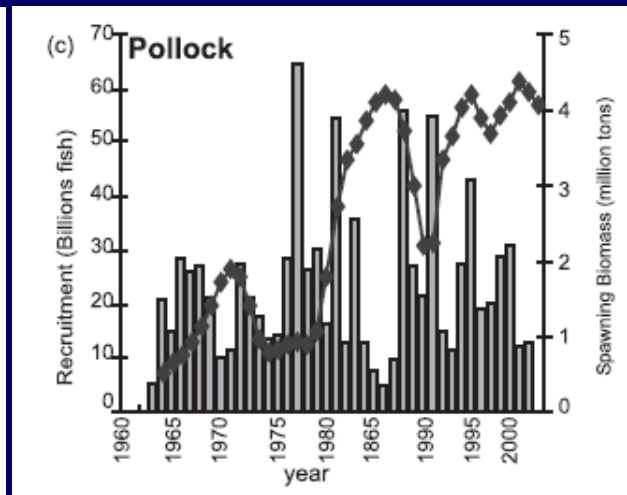
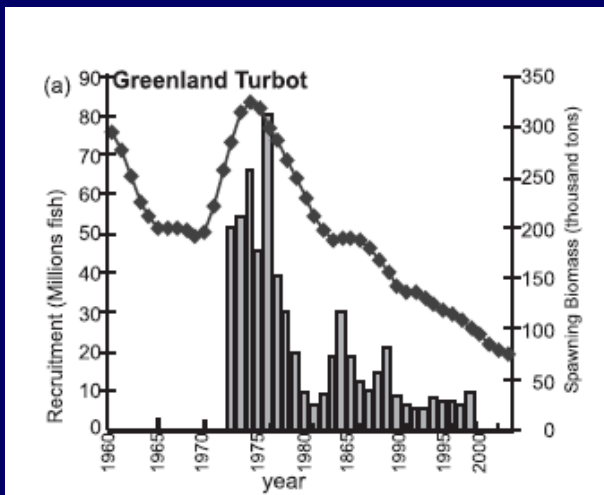
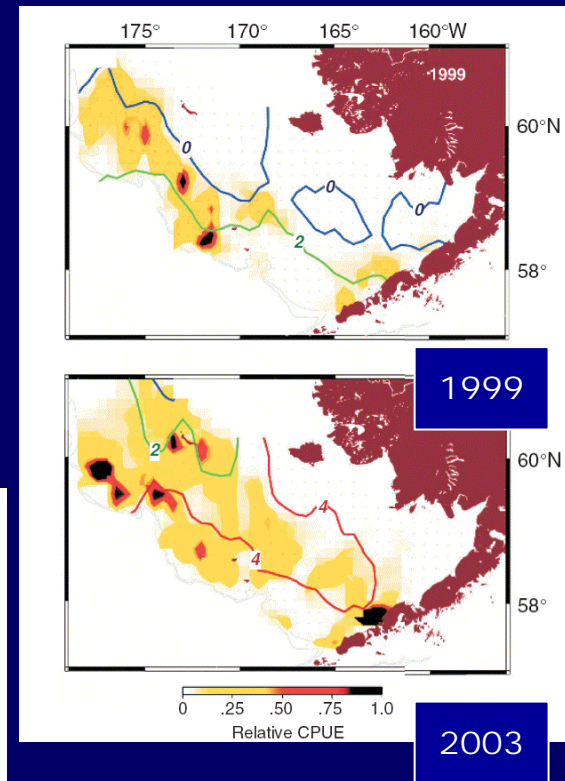




# Southern Bering Sea Ecosystem Changes



Warm temperatures favor pollock over Arctic species



Credit Jim Overland

# User communities

- Ocean Policy
- Oil Spill Response
- Maritime Transportation
- Commercial Charters
- Aquaculture
- Fishing
- Education



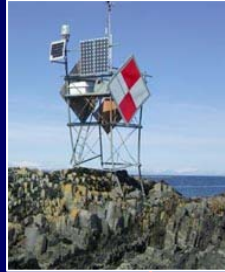
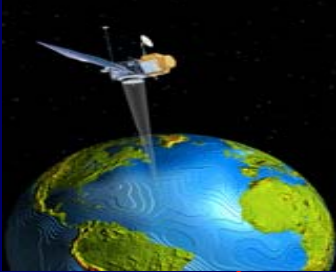
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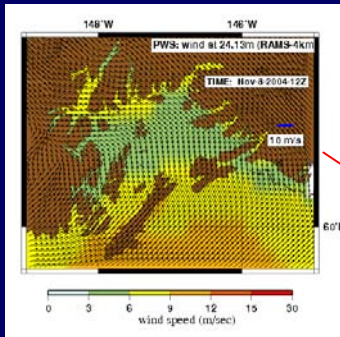
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Currents

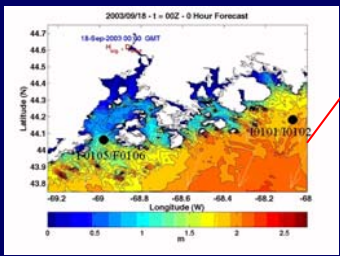
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PWS Weather

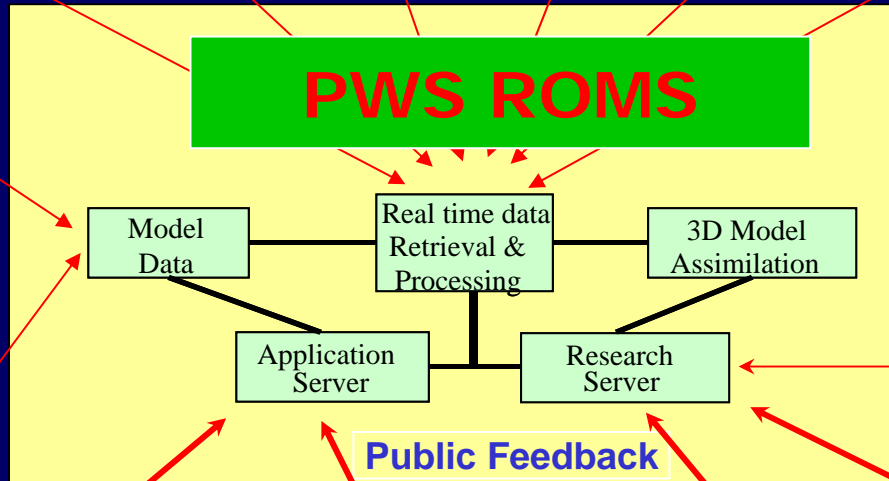


PWS Waves

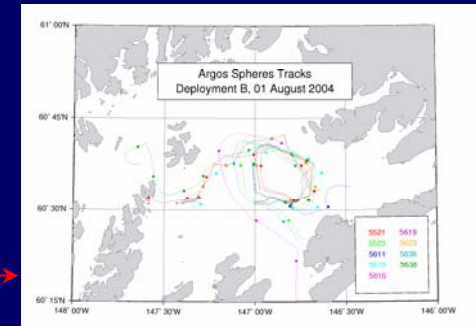


Data Assimilation

Data Assimilation



Field Validation Experiments



Education



Economic models



Fishery management



Communities





# PWS Region



## Maps

-Select Map-

## Graphs

-Select Graph-

## Data Tables

-HTML format-

-ASCII format-

## Web Cameras

## Interactive Station Data:

More station data

-Choose station-

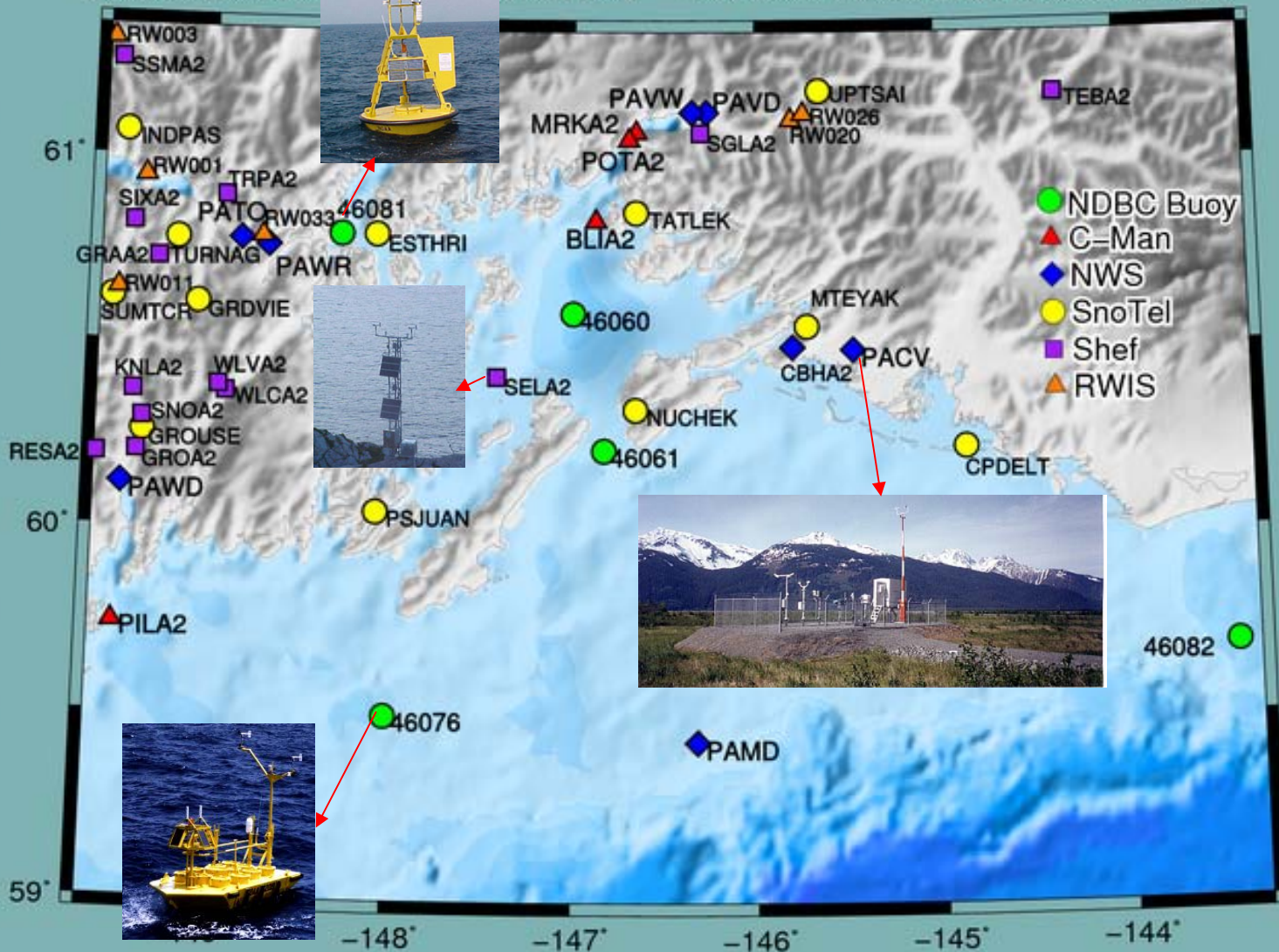
Want more data?

Complete Recent Data Listing

## Prince William Sound Stations - Recent data links

Choose station

Click on map to view station information map - Or click on station to go to station page



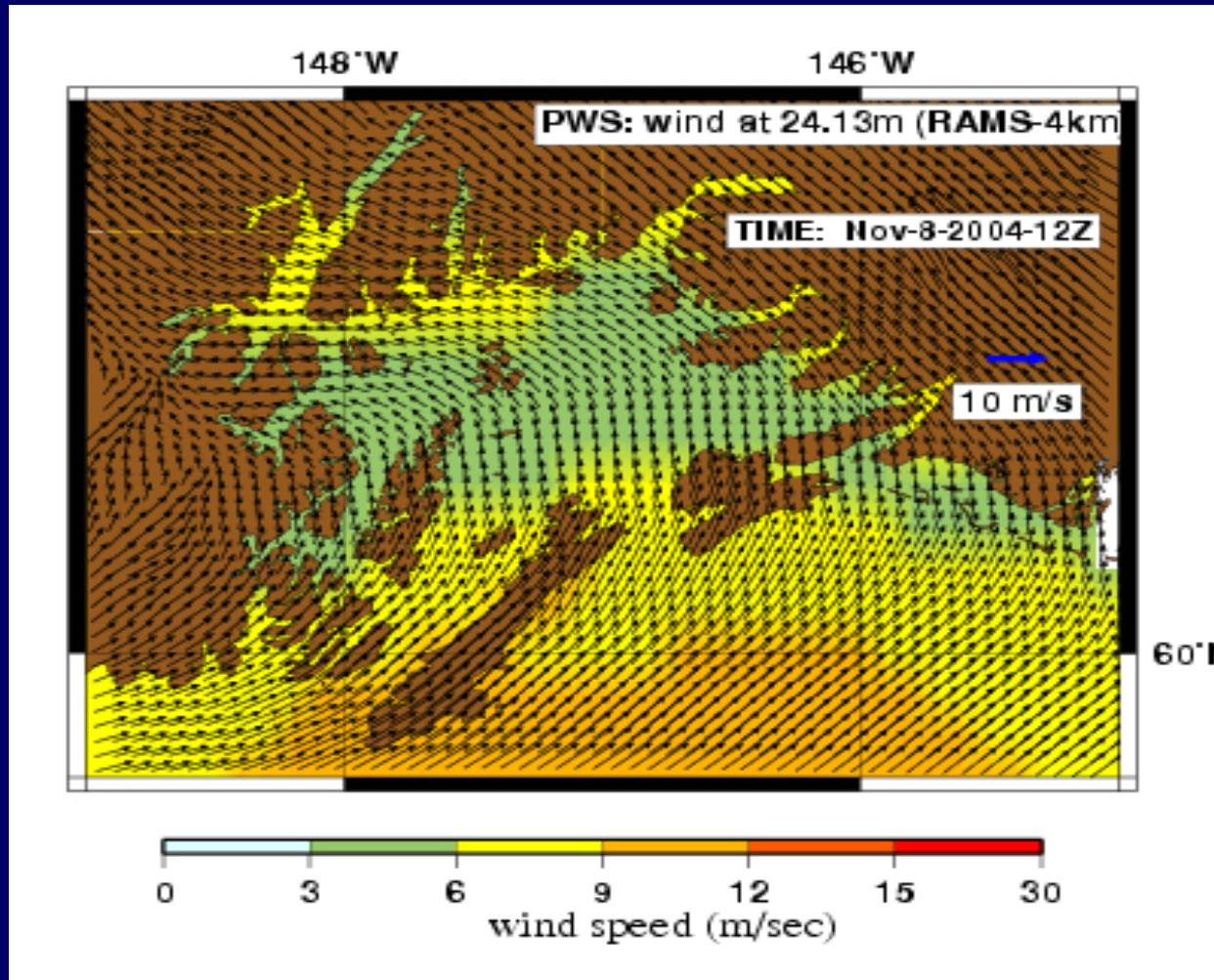
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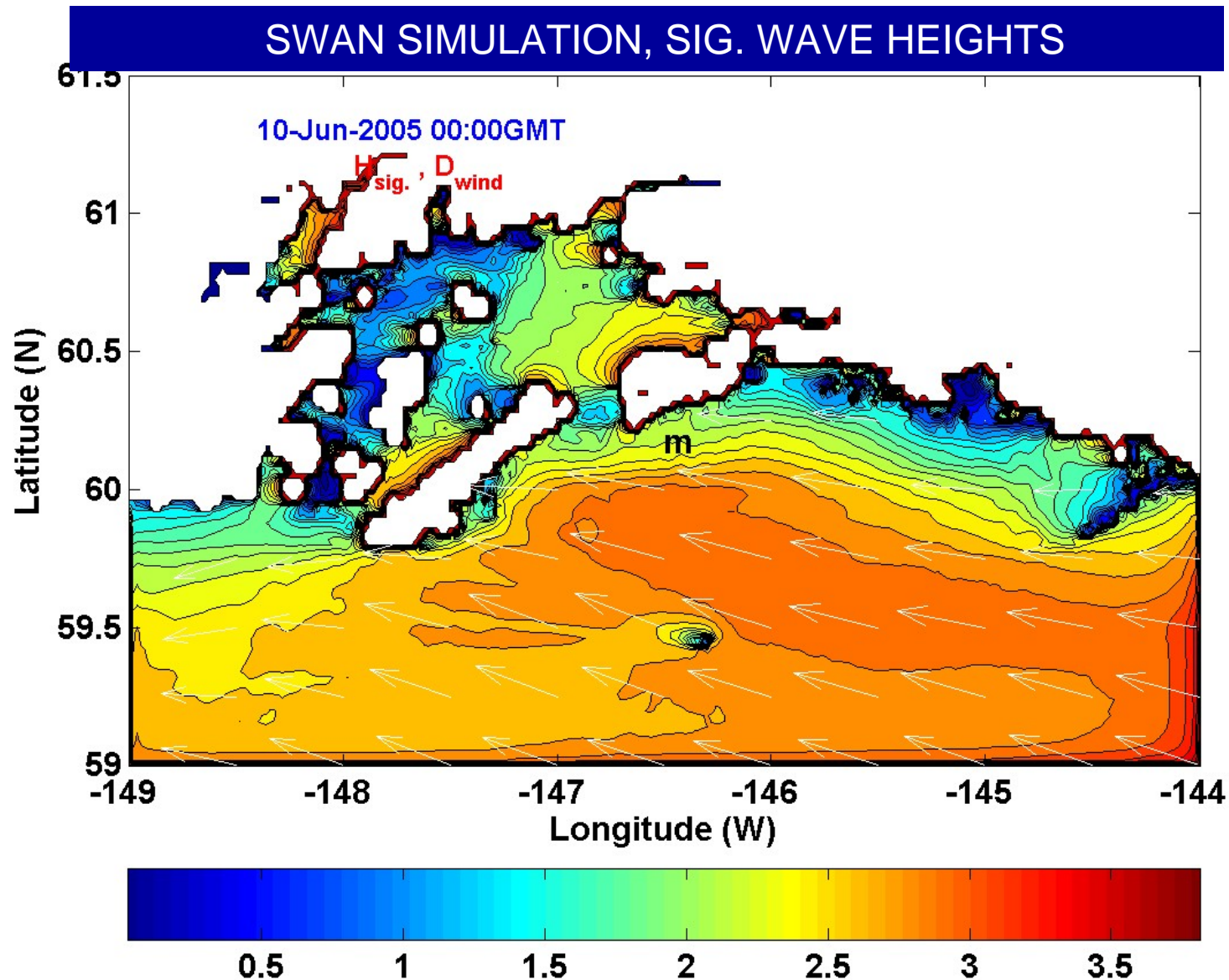
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# Weather Forecasts (Alaska Experimental Forecast Facility)





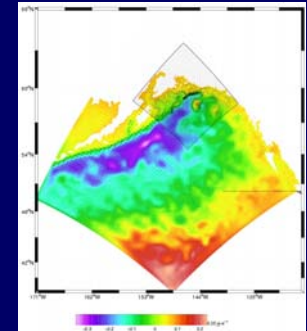
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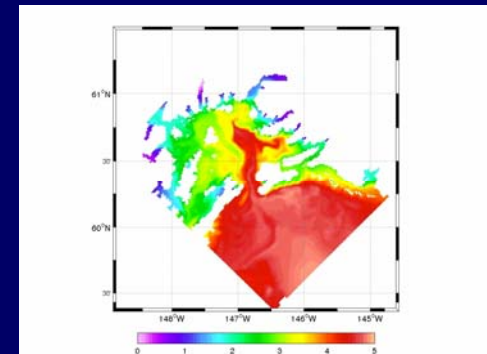
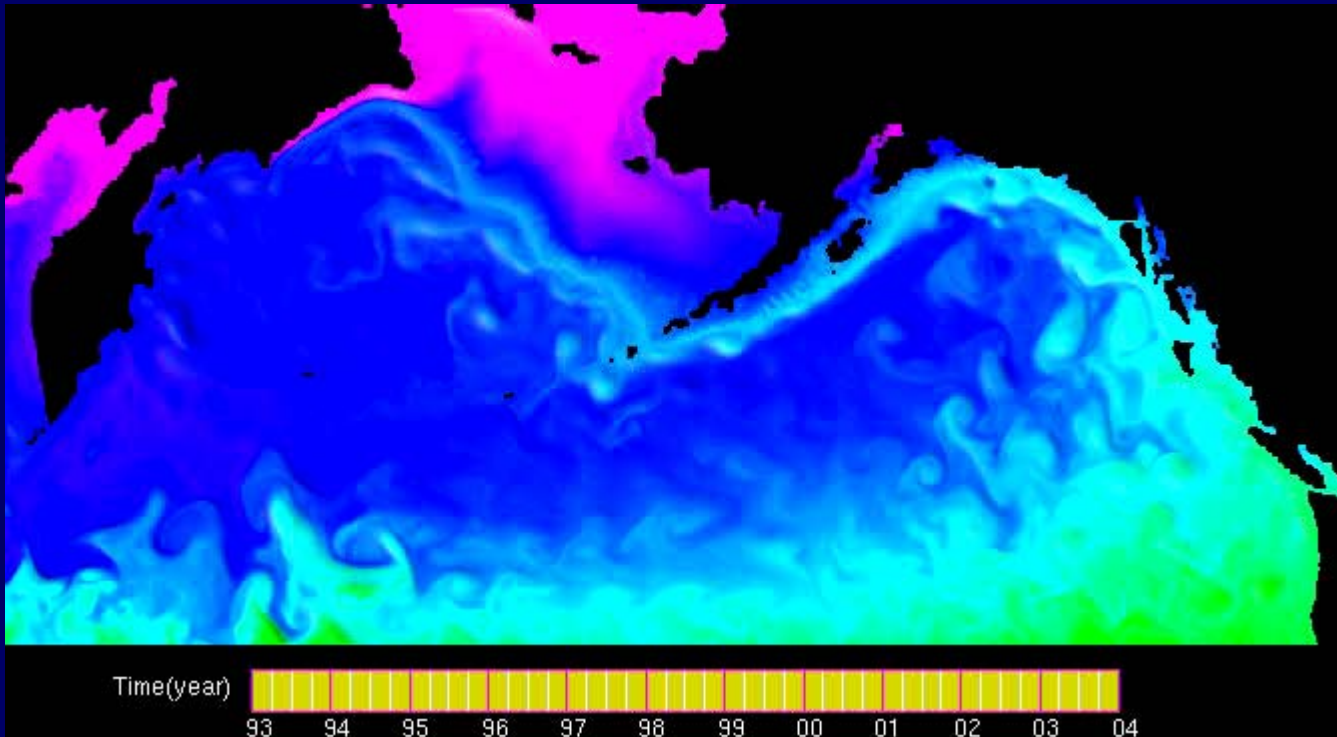


# Ocean Circulation Forecasts

North  
Pacific  
12.5 km grid



GOA  
3 km grid



PWS  
1 km grid

# Data dissemination and archiving

**Observations:**    *Real Time*    *Historic*    *Forecasts*

## Recent Data

### [Go to Recent Data Portal](#)

View maps, graphs, histograms and data download of recent data, updated every hour (Data source: NDBC, NWS)

### [Check data status](#)

Check station data availability for a specific time (Data source: NDBC, NWS)

### [Acoustic Doppler Current Profiler \(ADCP\)](#)

View current ocean stick plots for buoys in PWS

### [SNOTEL Data](#)

Temporary home for SNOTEL data

### [Web Cameras](#)

View conditions around PWS with web cameras

## Interactive Data

### [Map Server](#)

[Mapserver with PHP](#)

- 'Clickable' stations and hourly updated weather/ocean data (air temp, pressure, altimeter, dew point, water temperature, wave height, wave period)  
- Temperature and wind velocity forecast, 48 hrs in advance of 12Z today.

### [Make a Map](#)

Enter time parameters and get a map, histogram and data download (Data from 2000 to present)  
(Data sources: NDBC, NWS, CODAR, QUIK-SCAT)

### [Make a Graph](#)

Enter station parameters and get a graph, histogram and data download (Data from 2000 to present)  
(Data sources: NDBC, NWS)

### [Download Data](#)