

# New York Bight Sub-Regional Ocean Observing System

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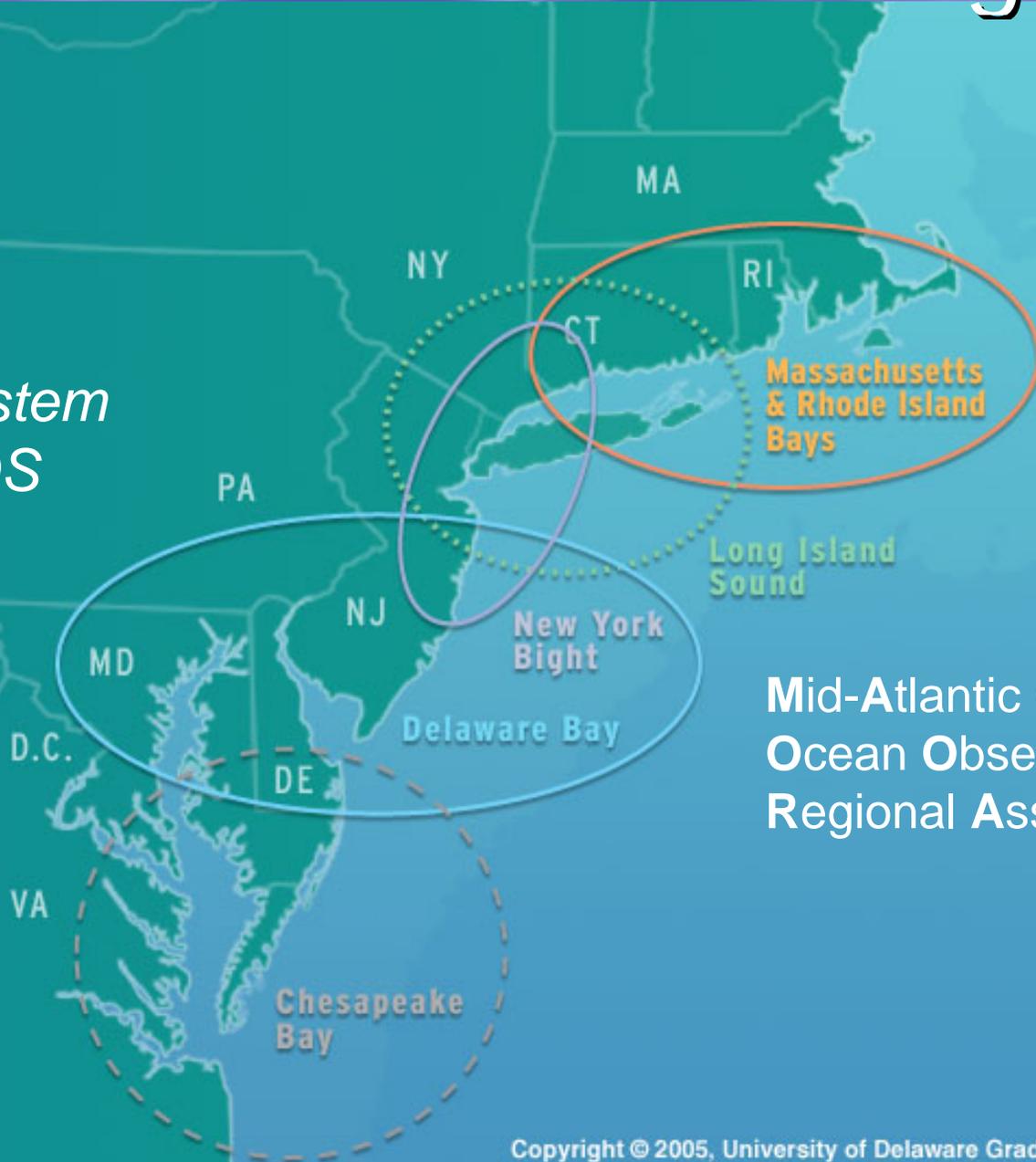
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# NY Bight MACOORA Sub-region

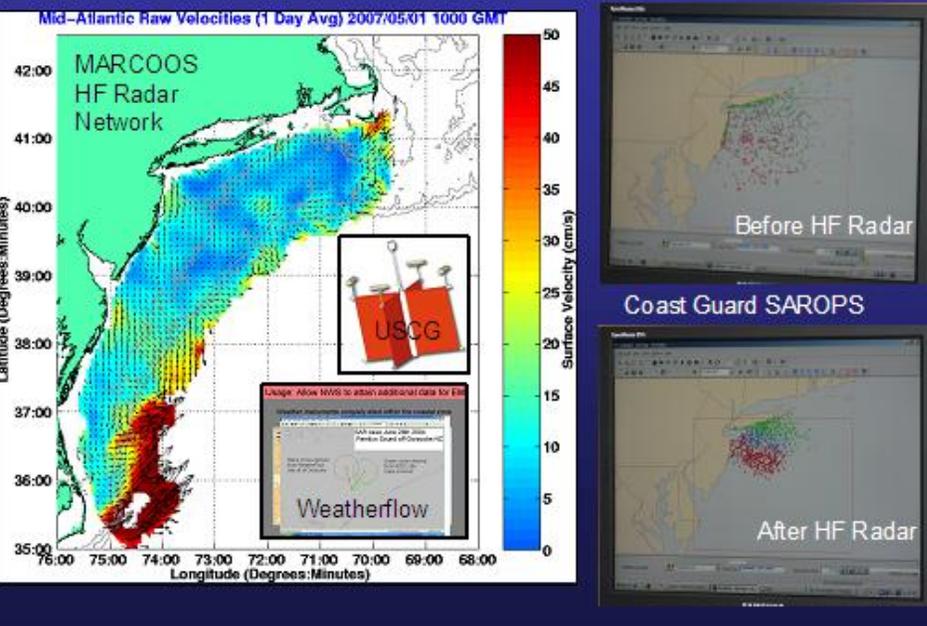
*NYHOPS is currently an Operational Observing System within the IOOS MACOORA Sub-region*



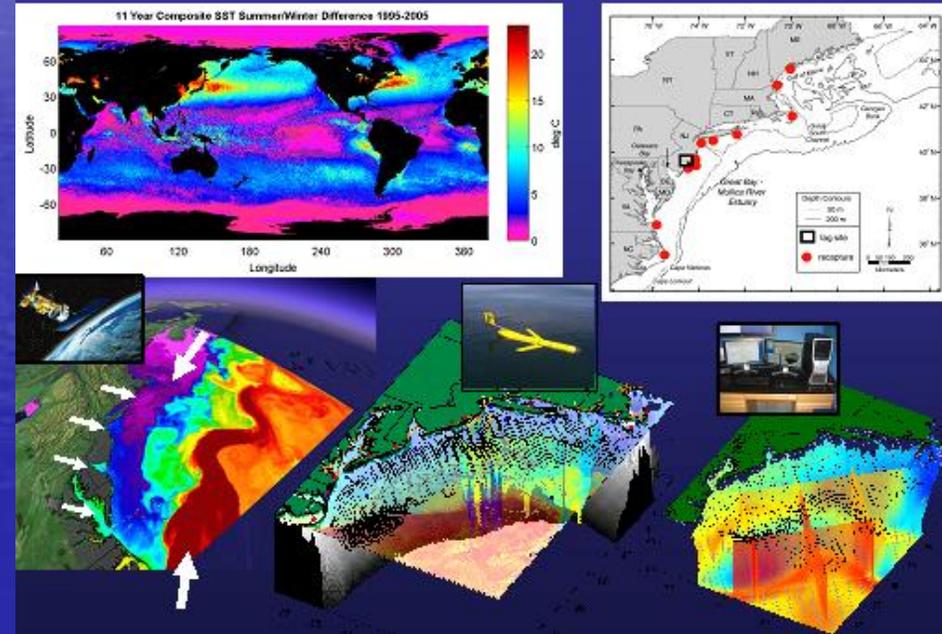
**Mid-Atlantic Coastal  
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# Supports MACOORA Regional Themes

## Regional Theme 1: Maritime Safety – Search And Rescue



## Regional Theme 2: Ecological Decision Support - Fisheries

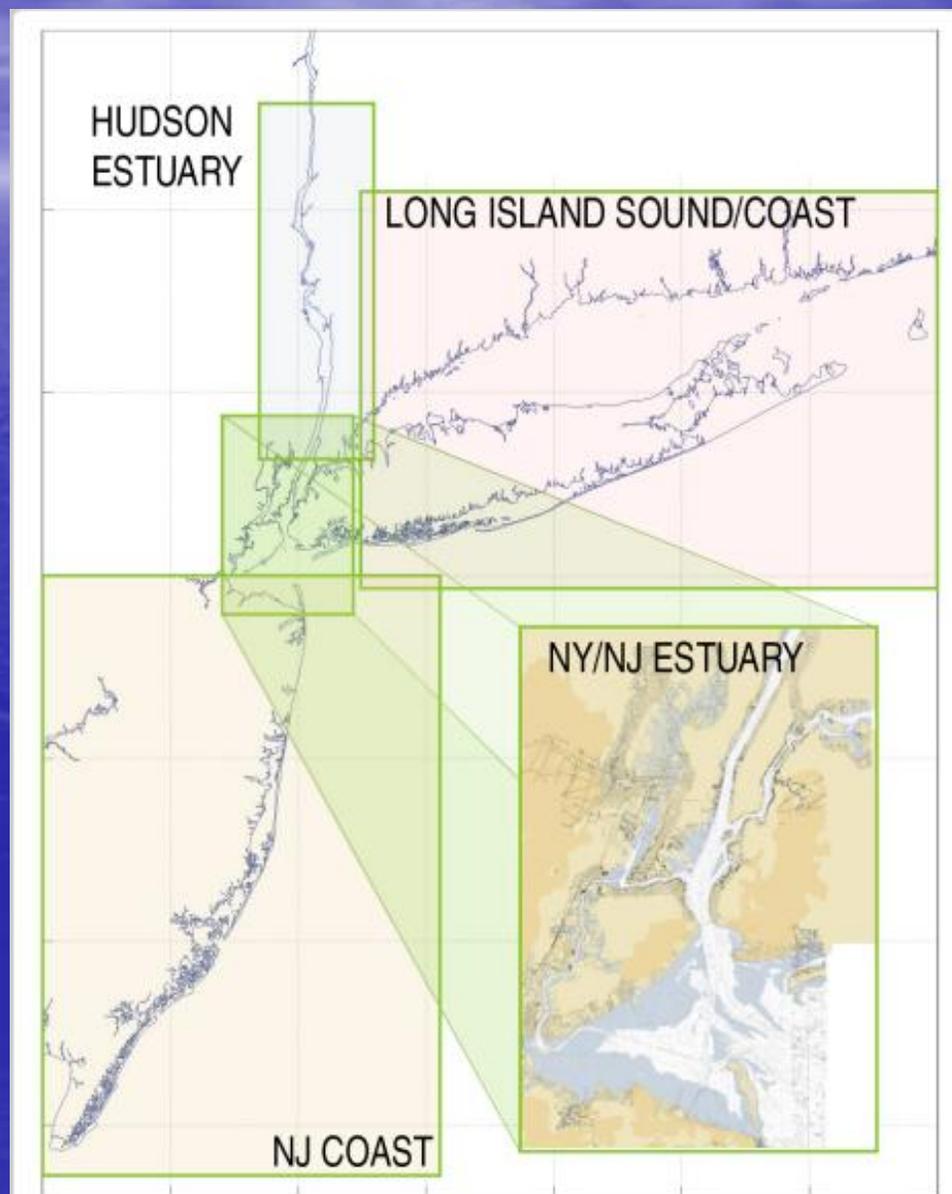


# Sub-regional Backbone

## NY Harbor Observation and Prediction System (NYHOS)

Operational Coupled  
Heterogeneous Sensor  
and Modeling System  
for the Urban Coast

Initiated with funding from  
ONR in 2003



# Funding Agencies



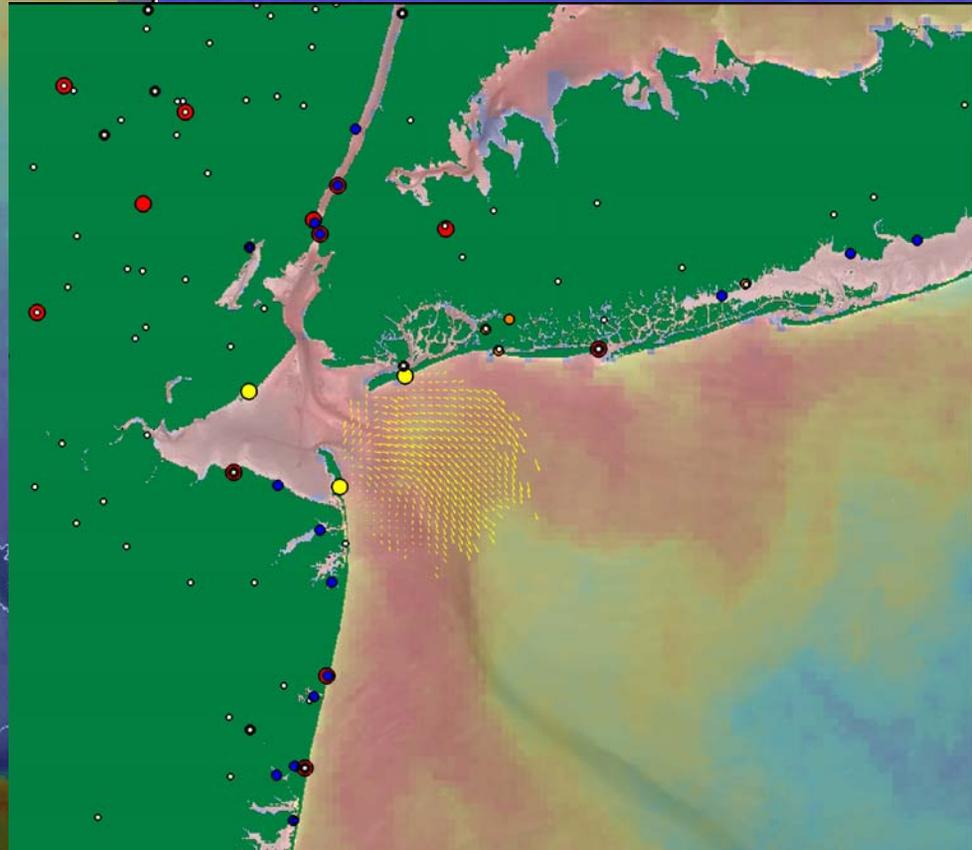
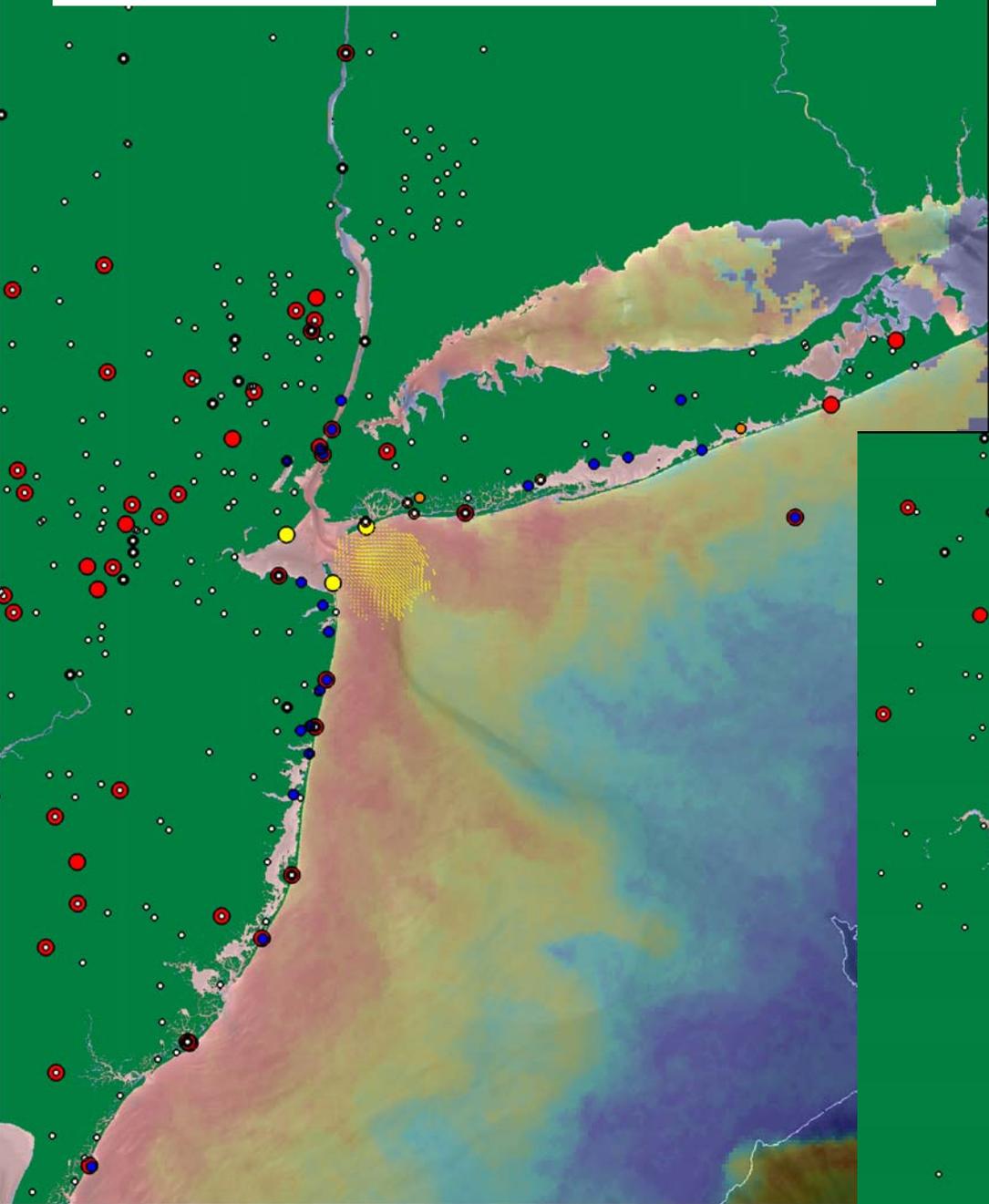
# Partners and Collaborators



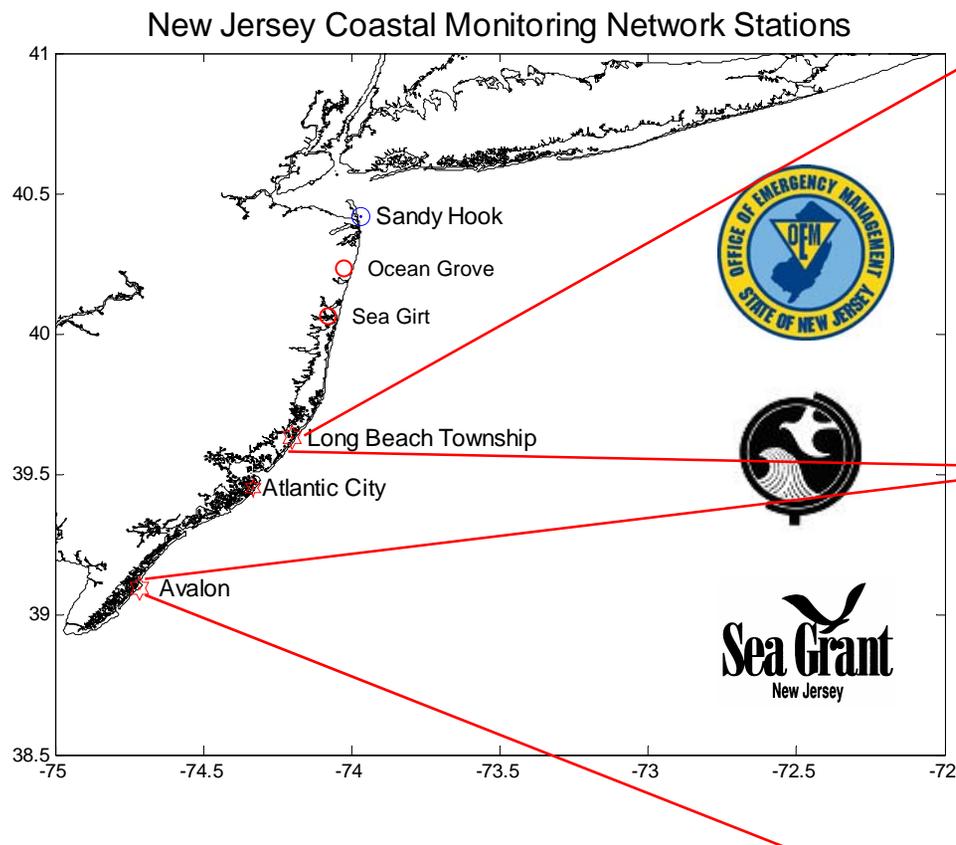
# NY Bight Regional Ocean Observing Assets

- HF Radar
- Met
- Sub-surface
- Tide Gauge
- Water Quality
- Streamflow

- Stevens
- Rutgers
- SUNY
- USGS
- NOS
- NJDEP
- NWS



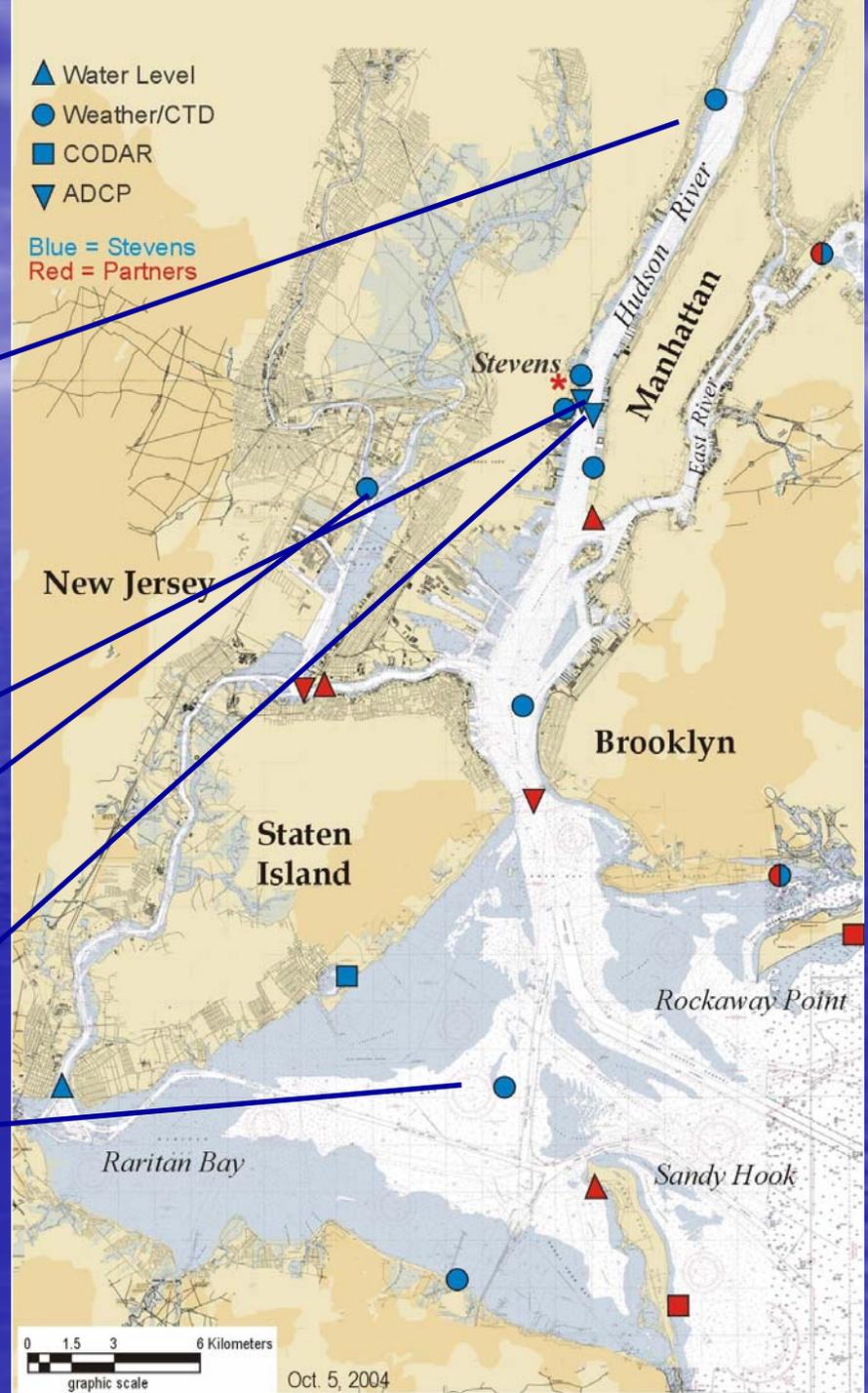
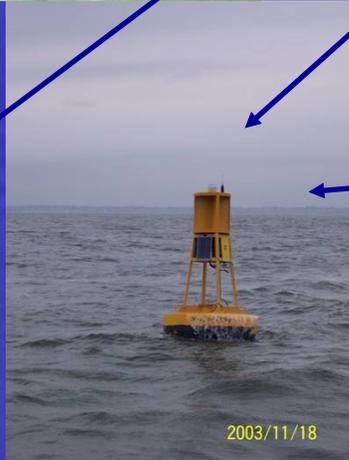
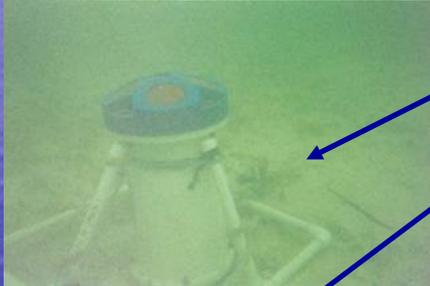
# Coastal Observing Network



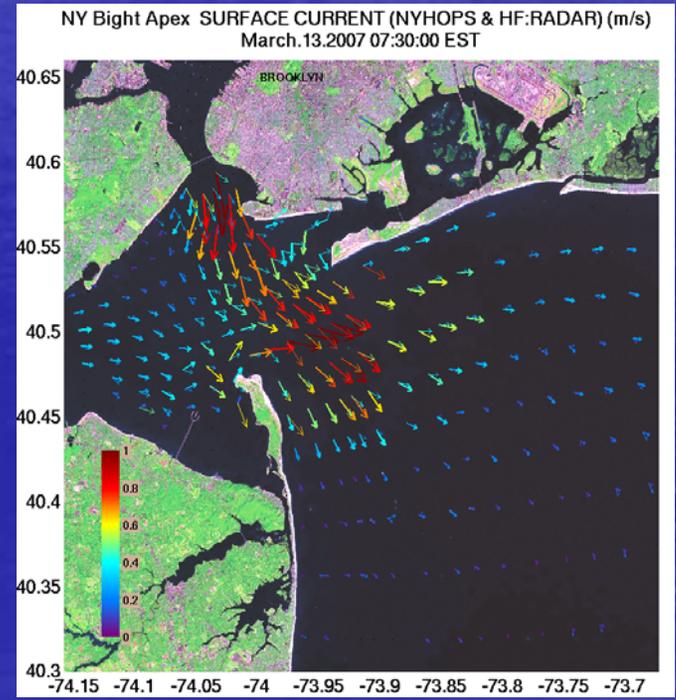
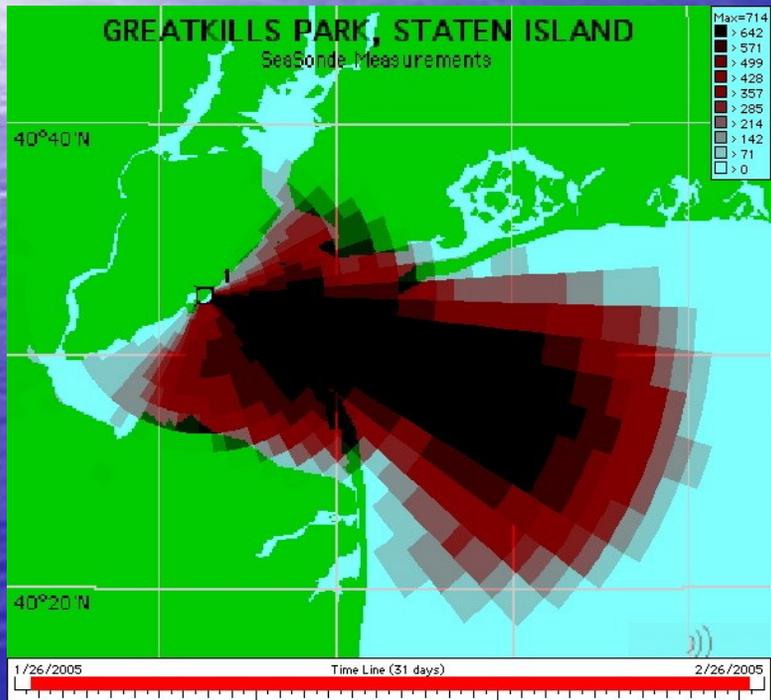
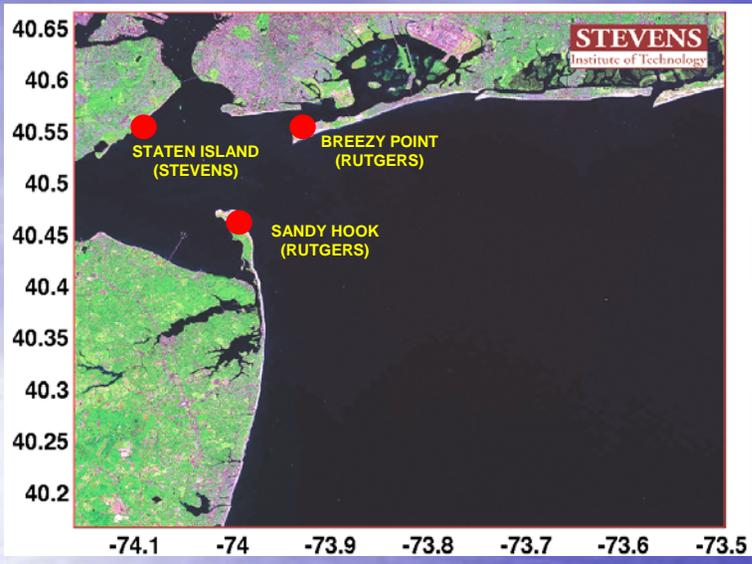
Established in 1998

# Instrument Platforms

- Real-time Data:
  - Weather
  - Currents
  - Water Level
  - Salinity
  - Temperature
  - Waves



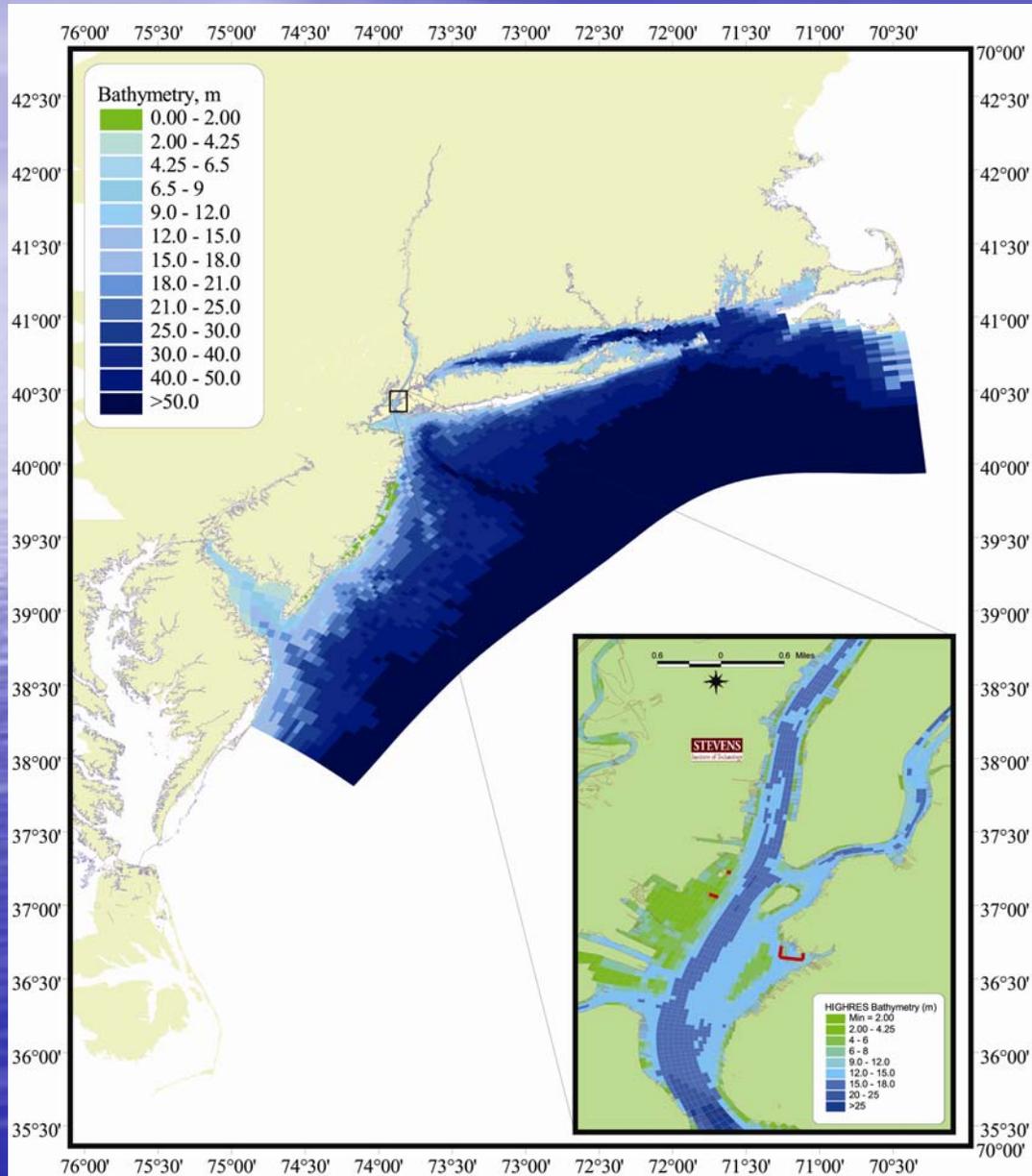
# CODAR



# NYHOPS Forecast Model

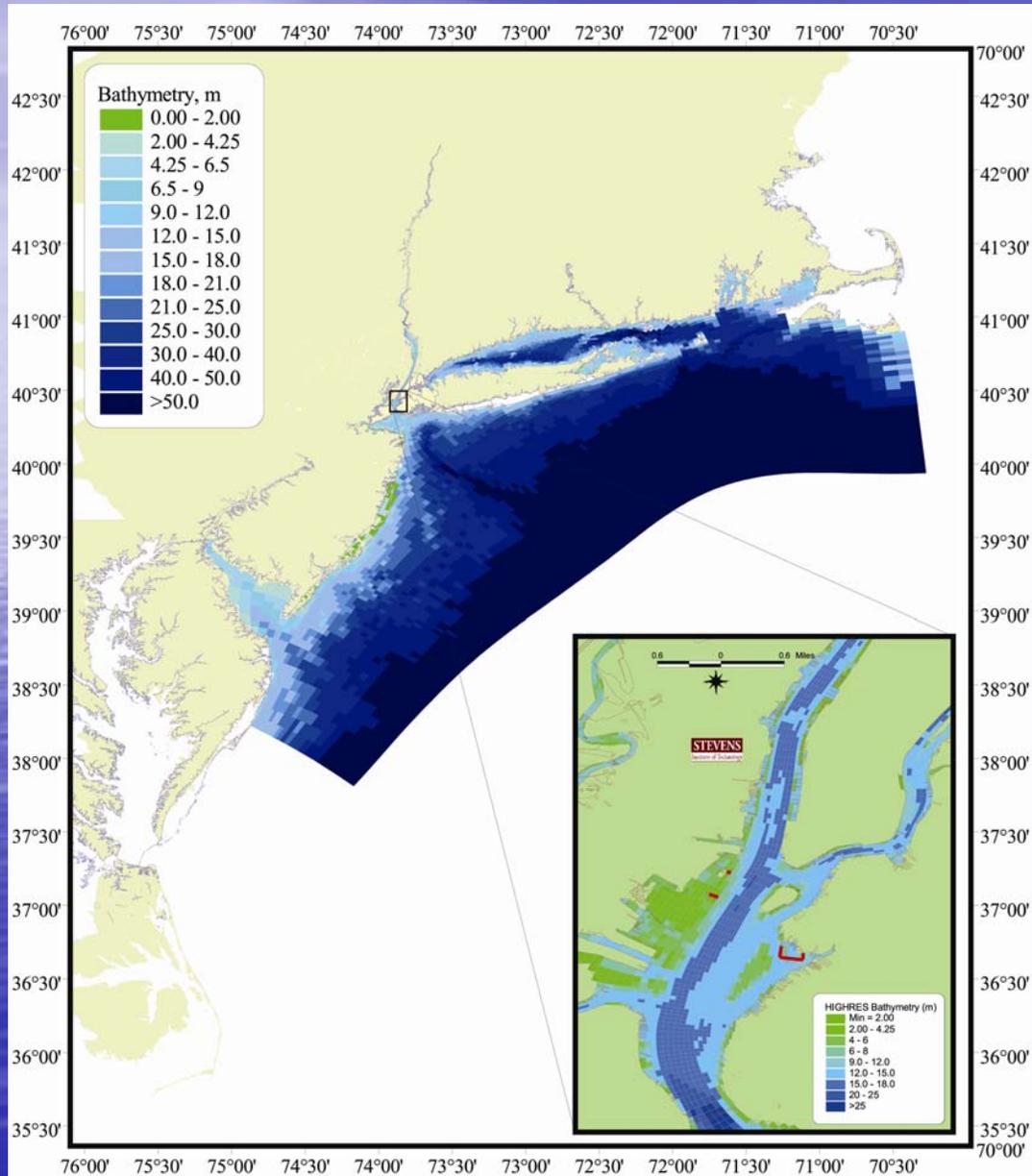
## High-resolution nowcast/forecast modeling system

- Derivative of the Princeton Ocean Model of Mellor and Blumberg
- Resolution of 7 km on the outer shelf boundary increasing to 50m inside the NY Harbor
- Run once per day to generate a 24 hour hindcast and a 48 hour forecast.
- Real-time data from sensors blended with model forecast every hour to product a real-time ensemble of present conditions



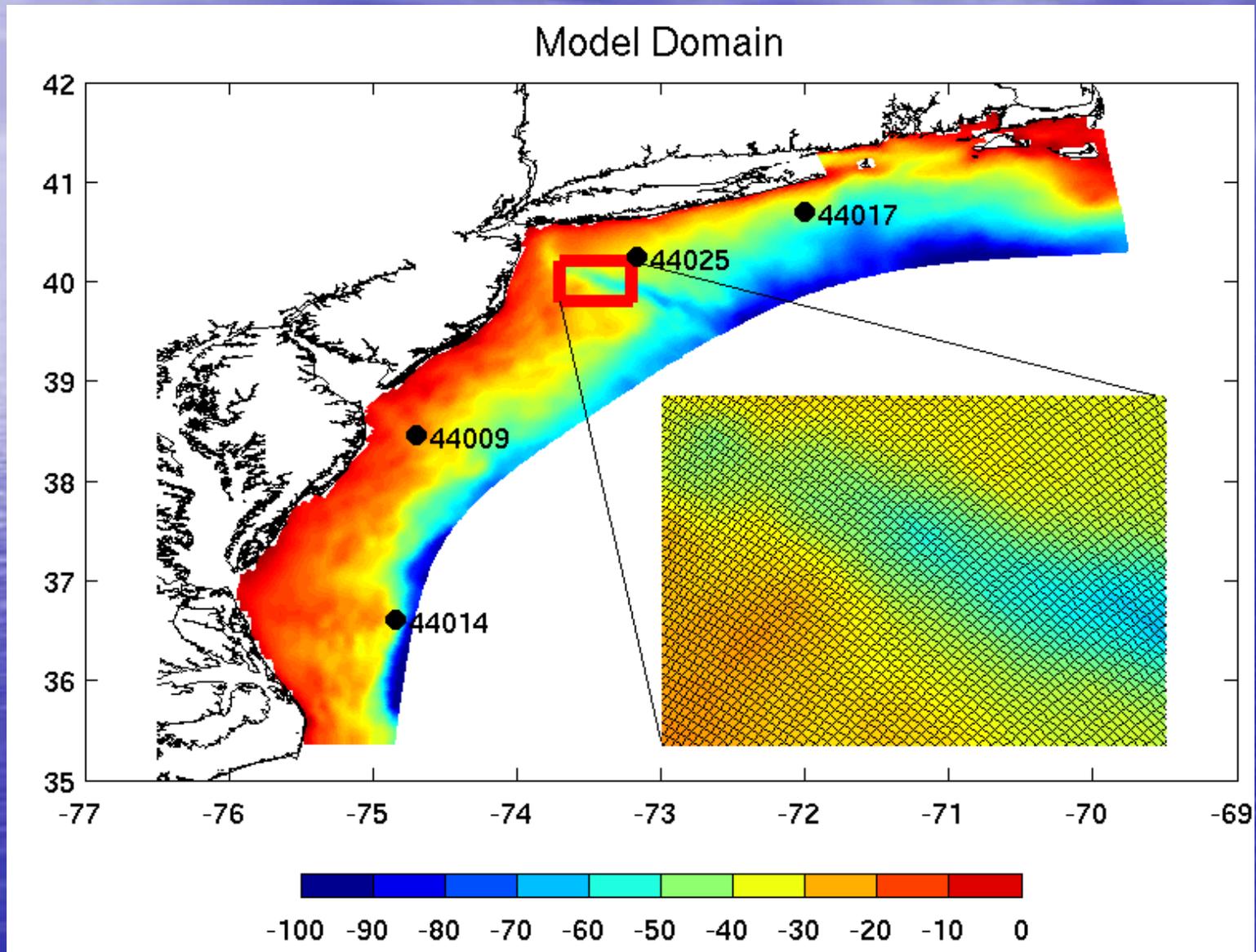
# NYHOPS Forecast Model

High-resolution  
nowcast/forecast  
modeling system



- Includes hourly inflow from 92 rivers
- Daily discharge from 241 industrial and wastewater discharges
- Includes 39 power plant discharges
- Integrated with a high-resolution wind wave model of the Bight and Harbor.

# Coastal Wave Model



## Input forcing:

Tides (O+F)

•Storm Surge (O+F)

•Waves (O+F)

•Winds (O+F)

•Heating and Cooling (O+F)

•Rivers (O+F/P)

•Major Dischargers (H)

## Engines:

•ECOMSED 3D hydrodynamics:

•Baroclinic, curvilinear, F.D. model, with Mellor-Yamada closure, W&D.

•Coastal Wave module:

•Parametric JONSWAP spectrum, wave momentum, shallow water and open BC effects included.

## Prognostic variables:

•Water level.

•3D Temperature, Salinity, Currents, Speed of Sound.

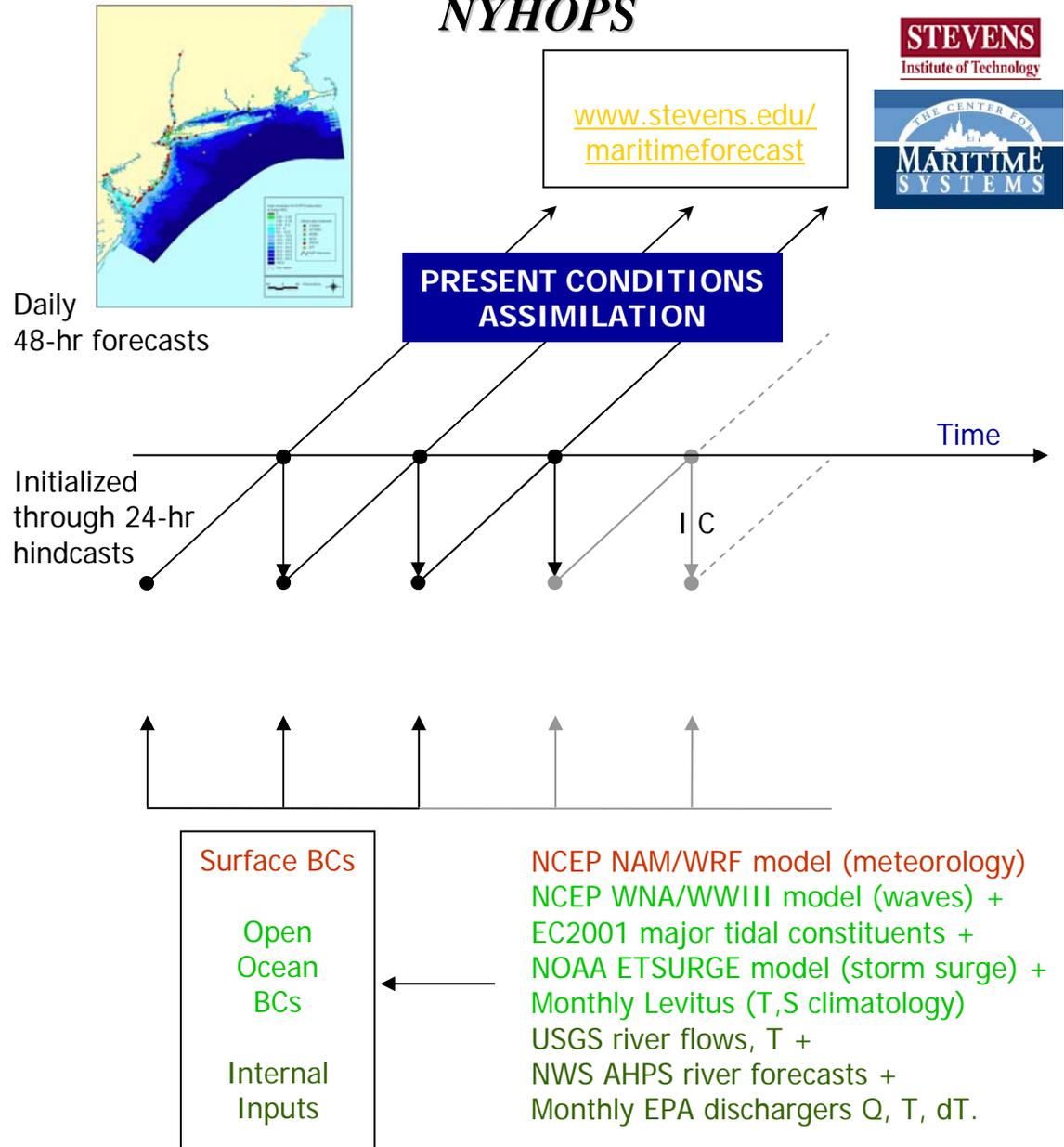
•Significant wave height and average wave period.

(O): Observed

(F): Forecasted

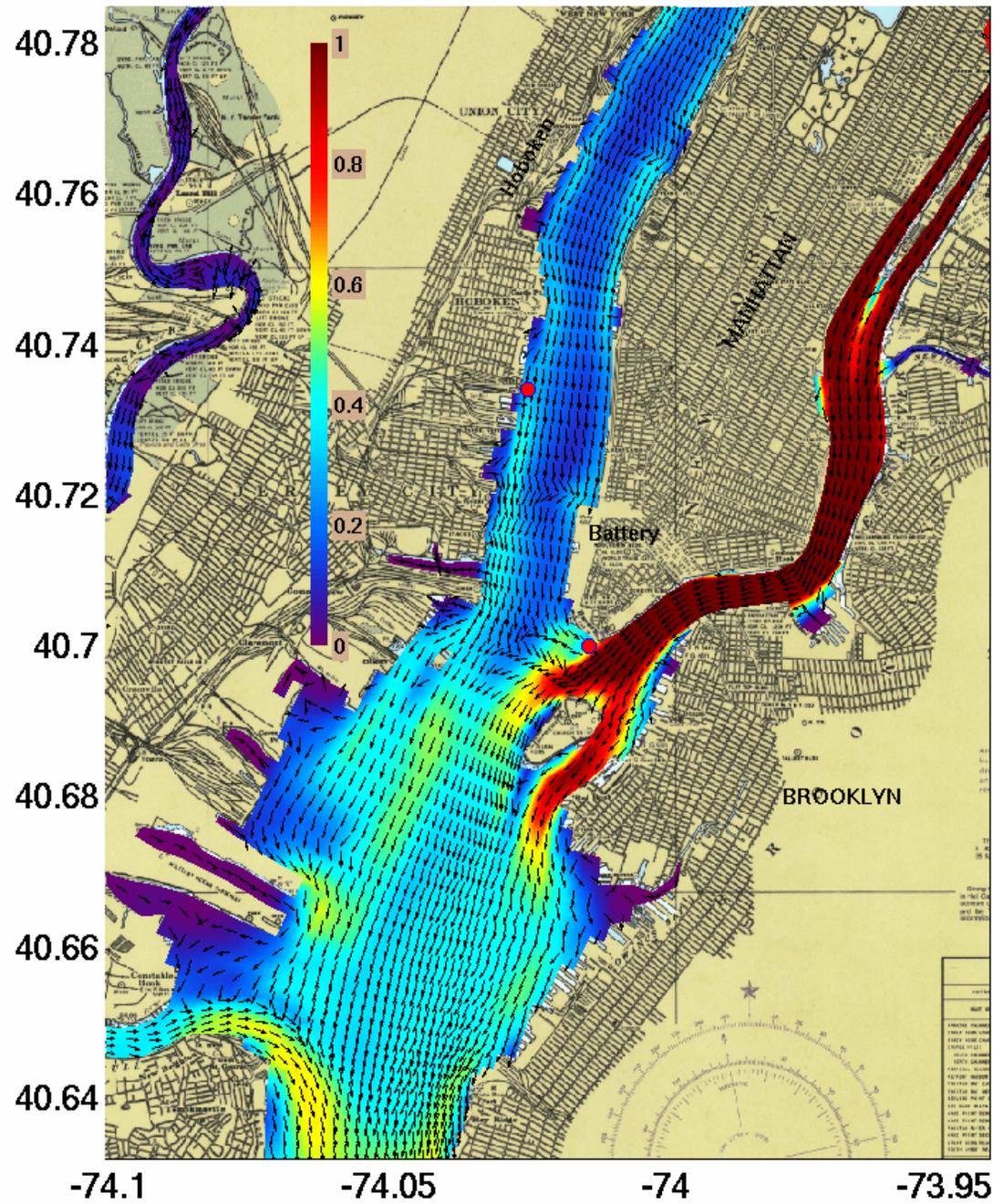
(H): Historic

# *New York Harbor Observing and Prediction system: NYHOPS*



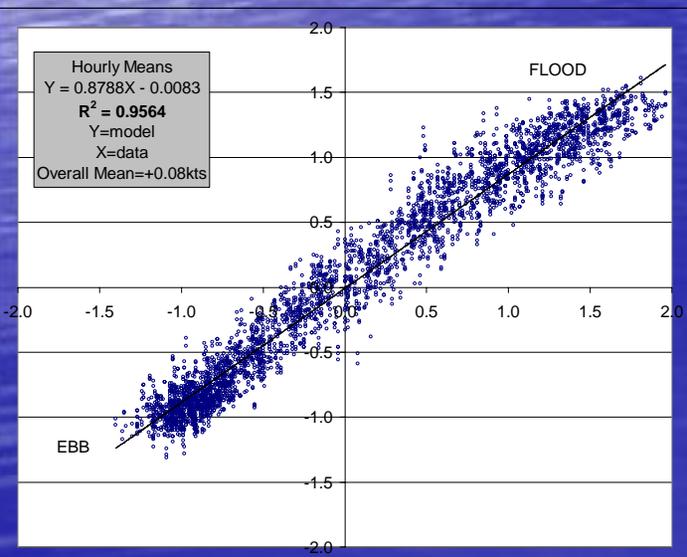
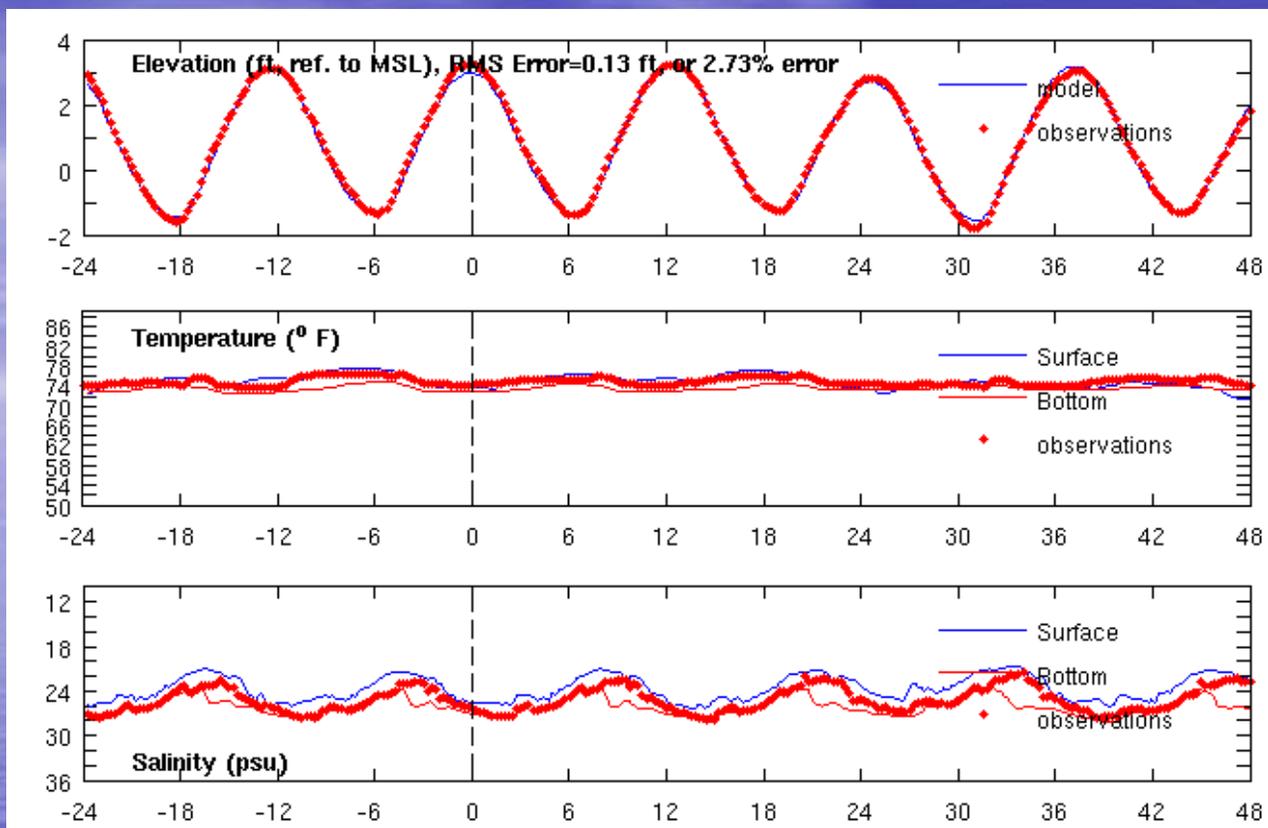
# Manhattan Waters SURFACE CURRENT (m/s)

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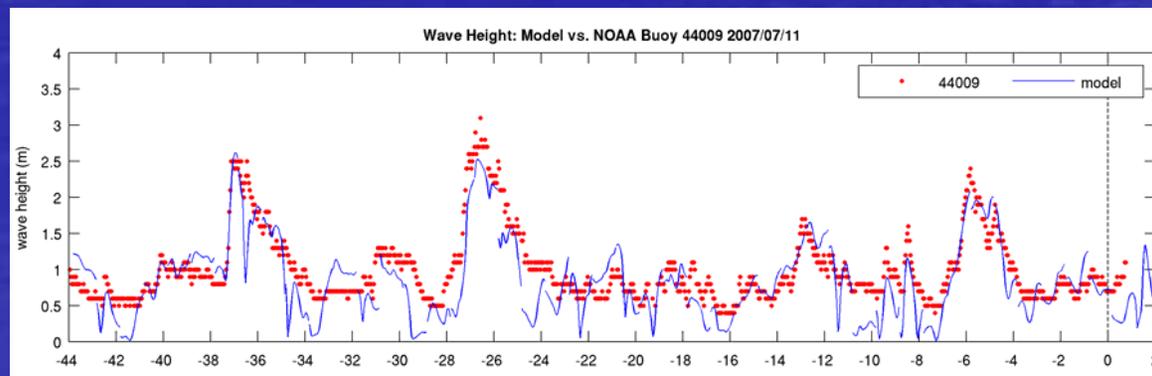


## Forecast Products

- Water level
- Currents
- Temperature
- Salinity
- Wave Height
- Wave Period
- Wave Direction



**Extensively validated forecast product.**





Welcome to the Urban Ocean Observatory!

The [New York Harbor Observing and Prediction System \(NYHOPS\)](#) was established to permit an assessment of ocean, weather, environmental, and vessel traffic conditions throughout the New York Harbor region. The system is designed to provide a knowledge of meteorological and oceanographic conditions both in real-time and forecasted out to 48 hours in the Hudson River, the East River, NY/NJ Estuary, Raritan Bay, Long Island Sound and the coastal waters of New Jersey. In this web site you will see graphic images of: **water level; surface and bottom temperature; surface and bottom salinity; surface and bottom currents; NOAA winds; coastal waves - height, period and direction; CDOM (Chromophoric Dissolved Organic Matter).**

DISCLAIMER: This observing and forecast system is a research product. It is not a certified evaluation. No warranty is made, expressed or implied at this stage, regarding the reliability of the model output for any particular application.

The real-time analyses and forecasts are being produced under the guidance of [Prof. James E. Blumberg](#) and [Prof. Alan F. Blumberg](#). The forecasts are prepared and evaluated by [Prof. James E. Blumberg](#) and [Prof. Alan F. Blumberg](#) on the observations and their analyses are the responsibility of [James E. Blumberg](#). Web development was done by [Dov Kruger](#), [Elena Zagrai](#) & [Dave Runnels](#). Data administration and web development are handled by [Dave Runnels](#). Stevens students [Anne Pence](#), [Joe Kilroy](#), [Peter Stahley](#) and [Anthony Gude](#) have contributed to the success of the system. Please direct your comments, suggestions or questions to any member of the team.

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### Regional Subdomains NY/NJ Coastal Observing & Forecasting System

Click On A Forecast Region



Available Parameters

- Surface & Bottom Currents
- Surface & Bottom Temperature
- Surface & Bottom Salinity
- Water Levels
- Coastal Waves - Height, Period & Direction
- CDOM - Chromophoric Dissolved Organic Matter

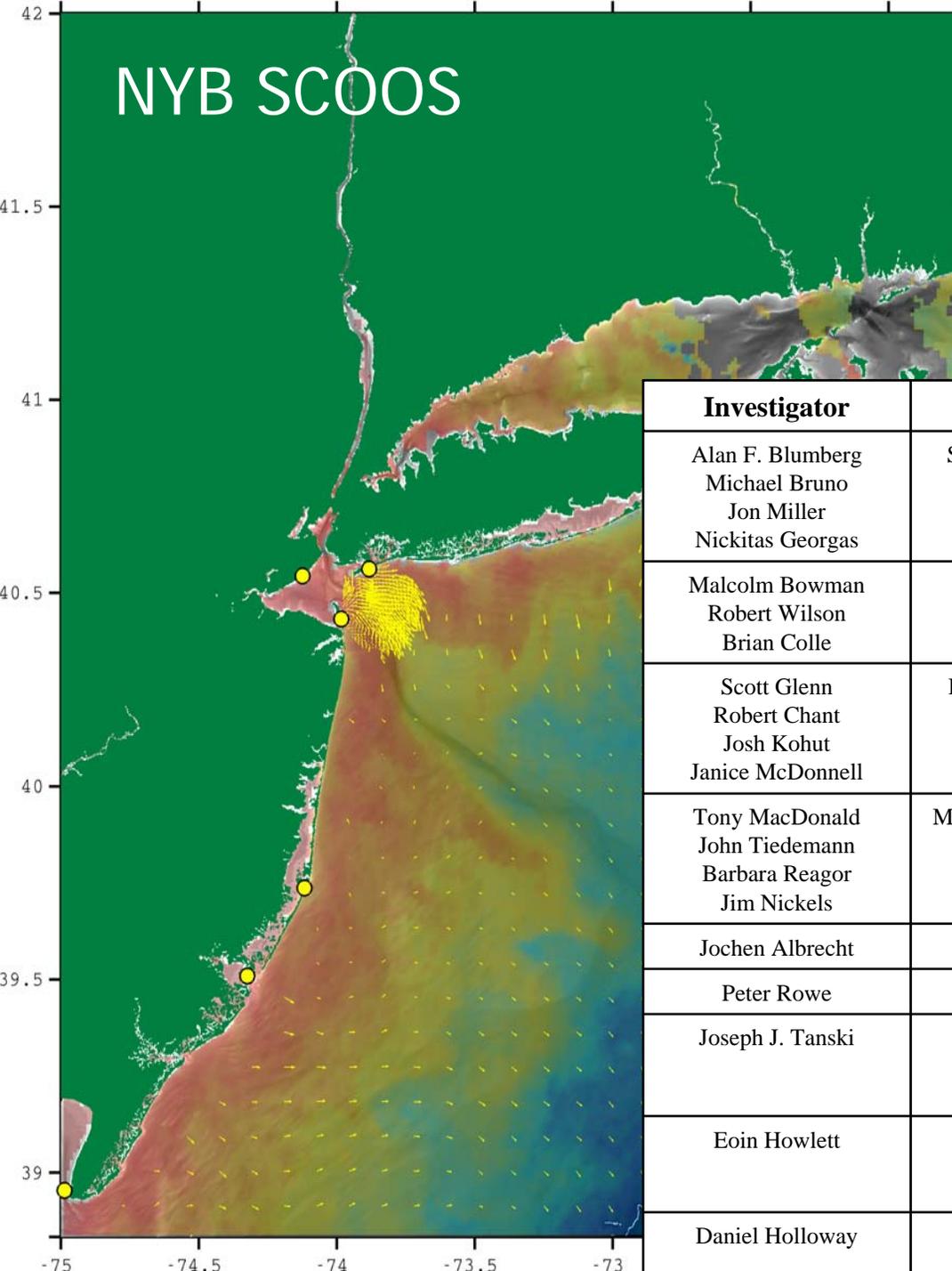
AVAILABLE ON THE WEB

http://www.stevens.edu/maritimeforecast

# NYB SCOOS

## Phased Deployment of the NY Bight Sub-regional Coastal Ocean Observing System (NYB SCOOS) as a Sustained Component of MARCOOS

*20 Co-PIs, 14 Institutions*



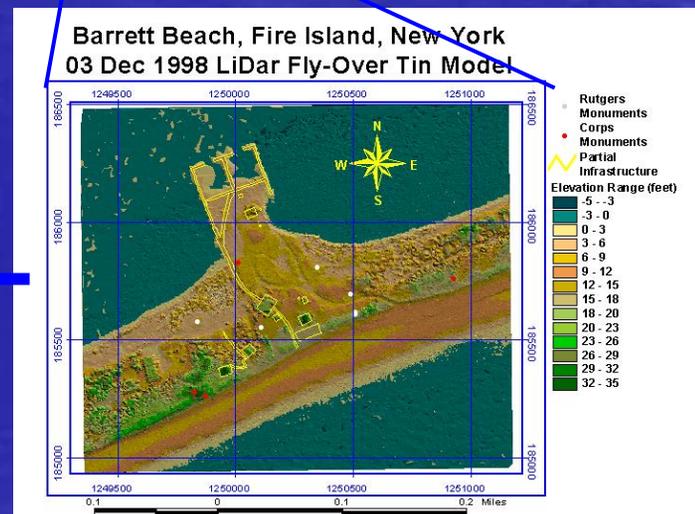
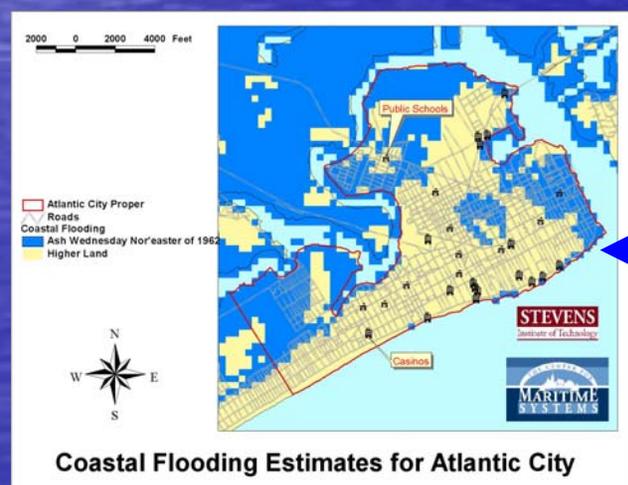
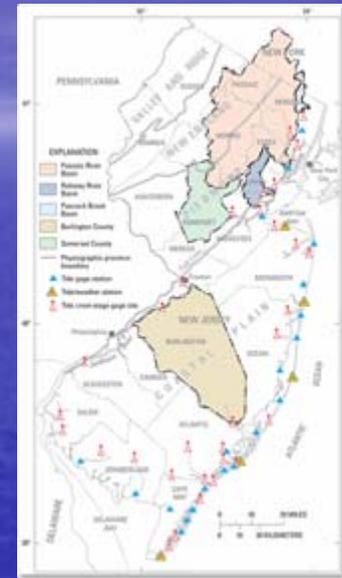
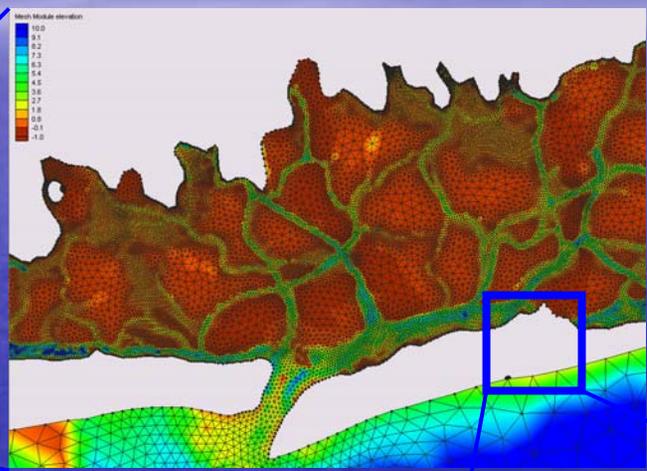
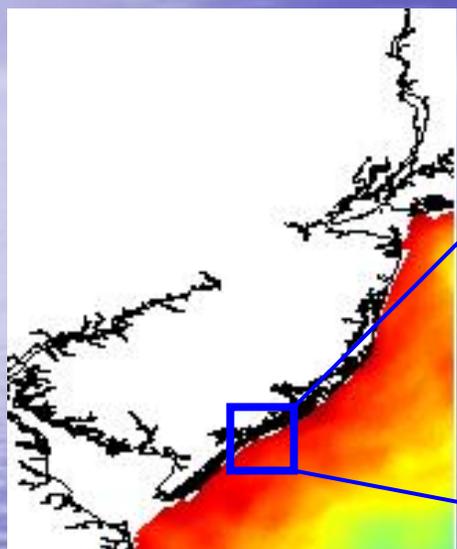
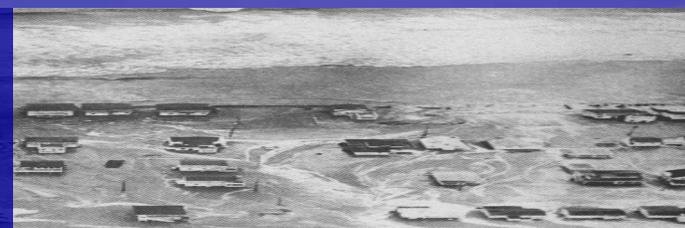
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# Stakeholder Centric System

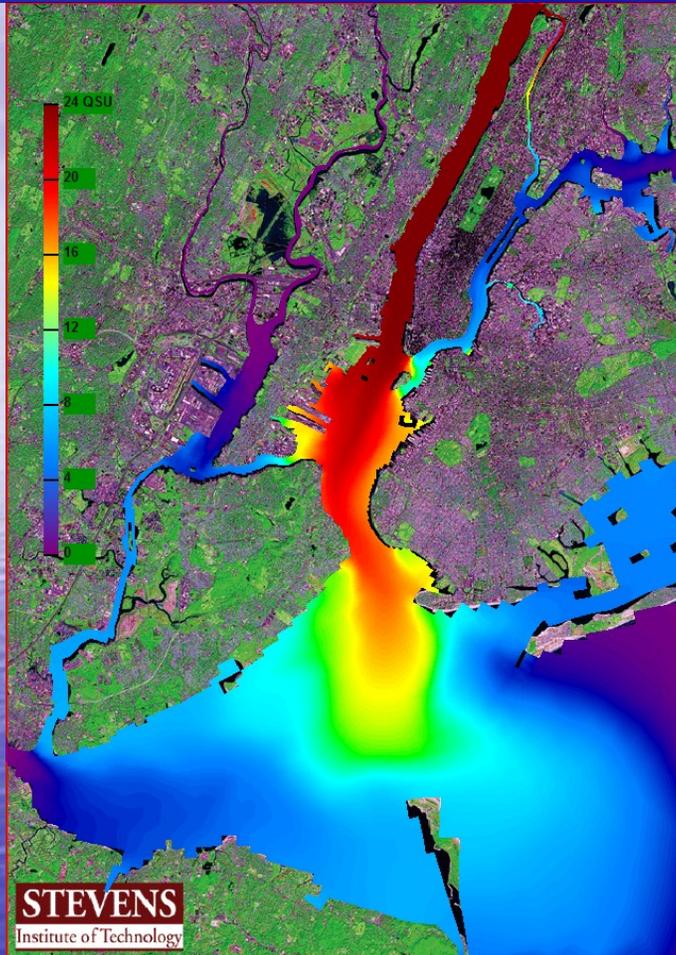
- **Engagement of Key stakeholder groups or individuals identify sub-regional topics of greatest importance**
  - Inundation
    - State and Local OEM, Coastal Managers, Land Use Regulators, Floodplain Managers
  - Water Quality
    - EPA, State Environmental Agencies, County Health Agents, & Municipal Governments
- **Types and frequency of engagement (workshops, regular mtgs, etc.)**
  - Annual Meeting (October)
  - User needs workshops
  - Sub-regional meetings



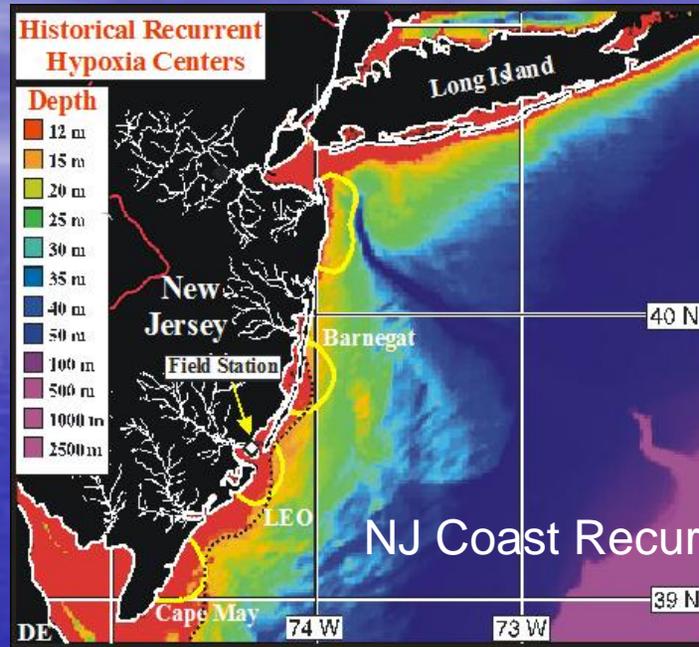
# Sub-regional Theme 1: Coastal Inundation Research



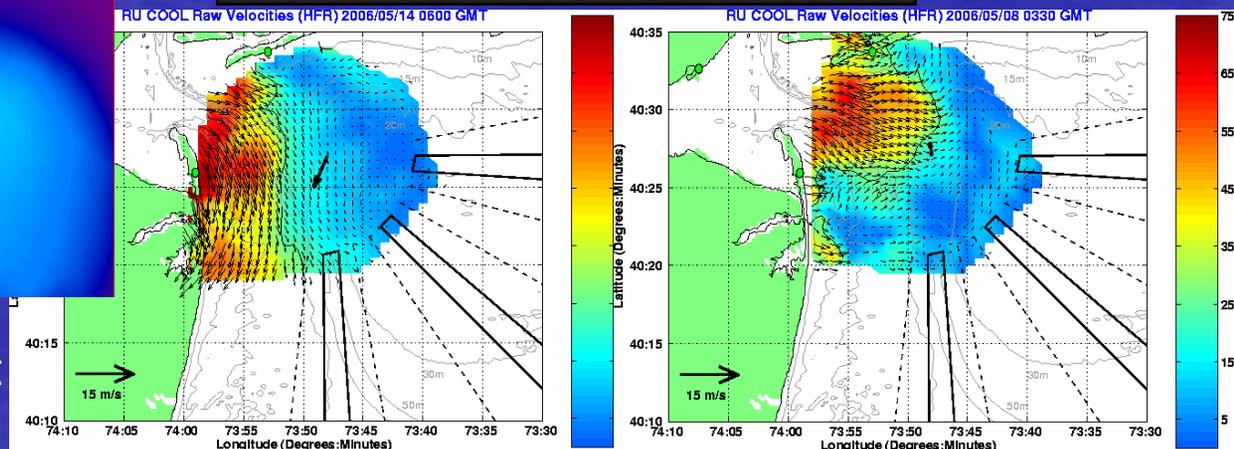
# Sub-regional Theme 2: Water Quality



Stevens CDOM Forecast



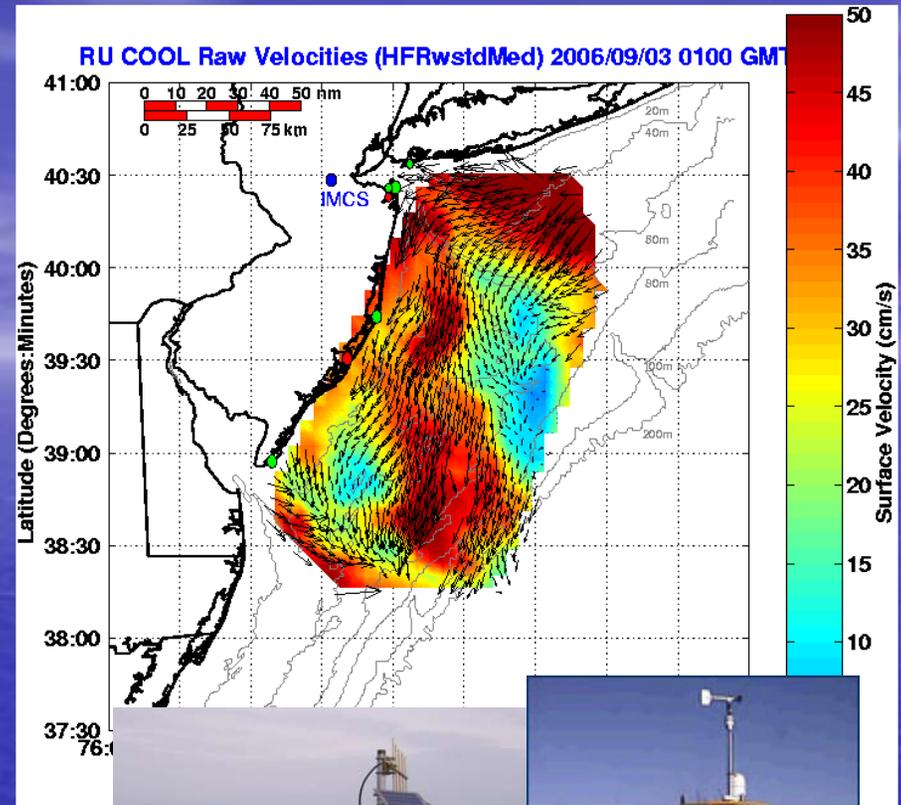
NJ Coast Recurrent Hypoxia



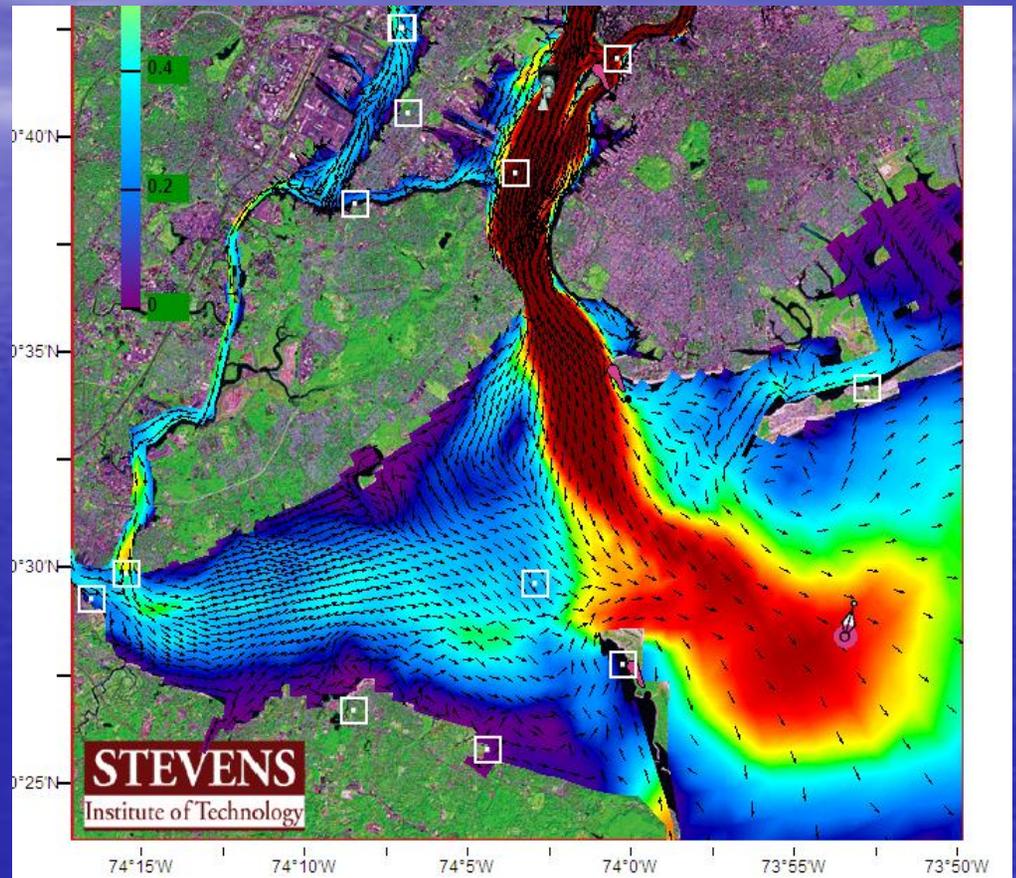
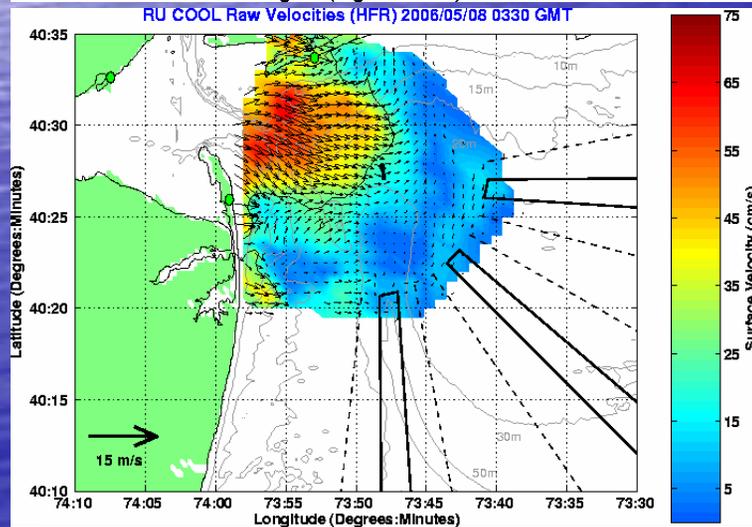
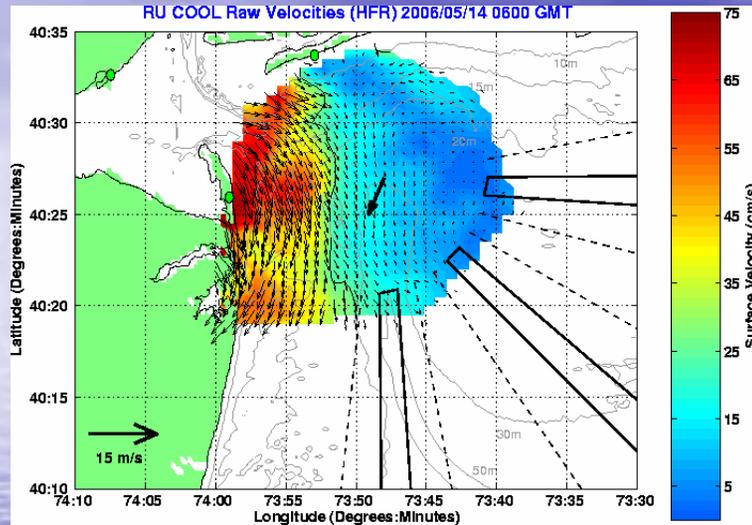
Monmouth County Health

# Key Elements

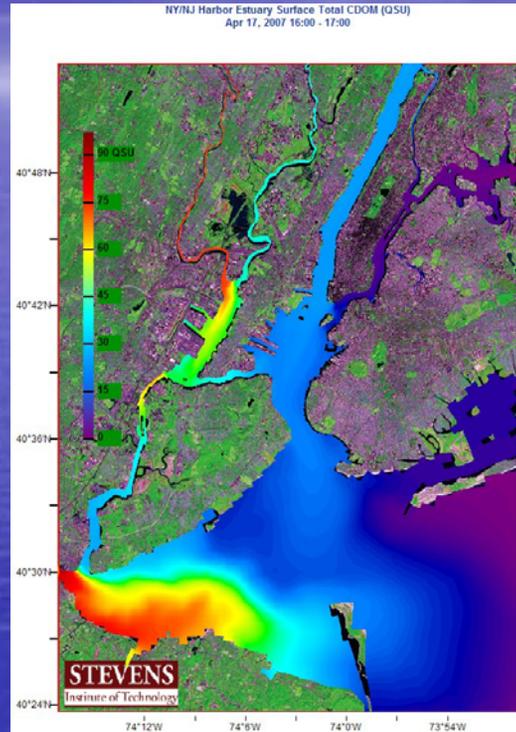
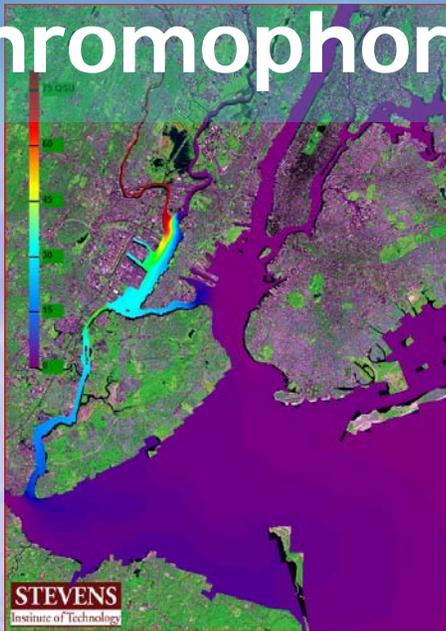
- Integration of Monmouth University/NJDEP Marine Water Quality Network
- Expansion and Integration of Rutgers CODAR Network
- Coupling of Stevens NY Bight Coastal Ocean Observation and Prediction System with sensor networks



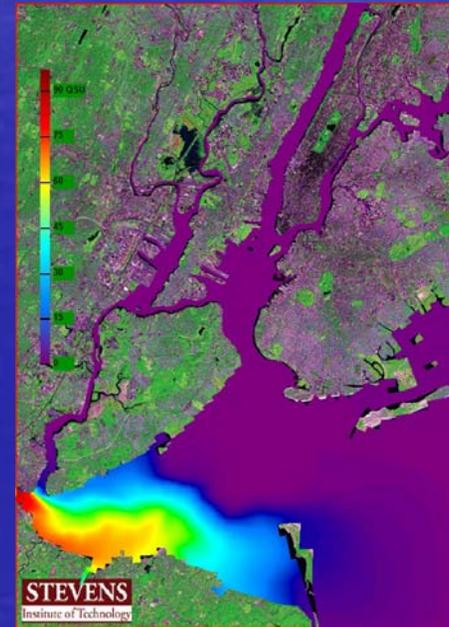
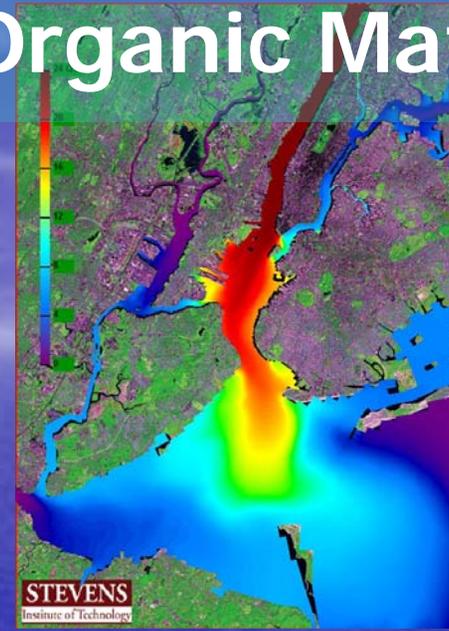
# Hudson River Plume & WQ



# Chromophoric Dissolved Organic Matter



*CDOM*



NYHOPS-predicted CDOM for April 17, 2007 16:30 ET. This date was one of major flooding



# GIS-based Coastal Information Sharing Web Portal



Monmouth University's Rapid Response Institute will be developing user identified GIS data overlays for user assessment and decision making

# Questions?

