

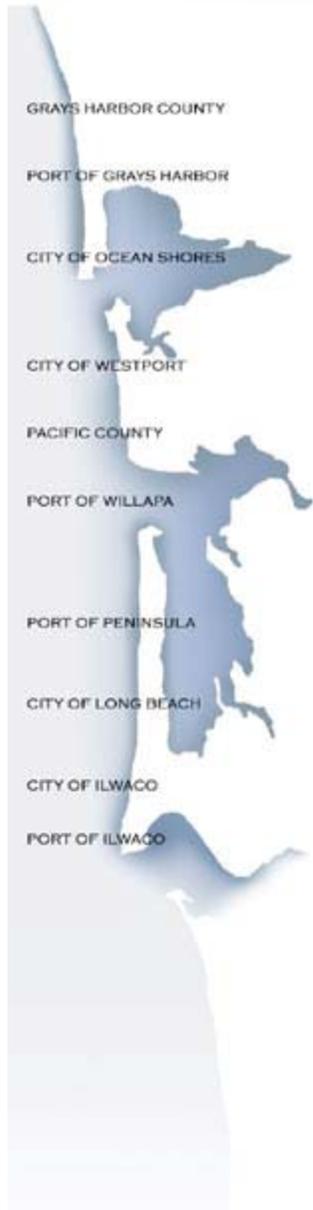
# COASTAL COMMUNITIES OF SOUTHWEST WASHINGTON



## ***Southwest Washington Littoral Drift Restoration Project (LDR)***

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## Project Goal



*To restore 2-4 million cubic yards of sediment per year to the littoral drift along the Washington coast to the north of the Columbia River.*

*Constraints: Maintain existing crab habitat and navigation safety*



# The Southwest Washington Coastal System

- Sand supply to beaches of southwest Washington has declined by a factor of three from 5.6 MCY/yr (1878-1935) to 1.4 MCY/yr (1958-1997) (Gelfenbaum et al. 1999; USGS - WADOE)



# The Southwest Washington Coastal System

- The sand on the beaches of southwest Washington originates from the Columbia River
- Long-term net removal of littoral sediment from the Columbia River system by dredging of 3.3 MCY/yr (1939 to 1999) (Allan, 2002)





# Advancing the goal...

## The plan

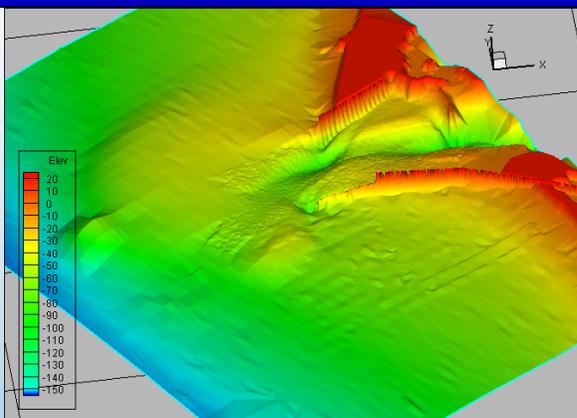
- ✓ • Baseline Data Collection
- ✓ • Engineering and Technical Analysis
  - Environmental Permitting
  - Demonstration Project 2007
  - Long-term Project Implementation

# Doing the science...

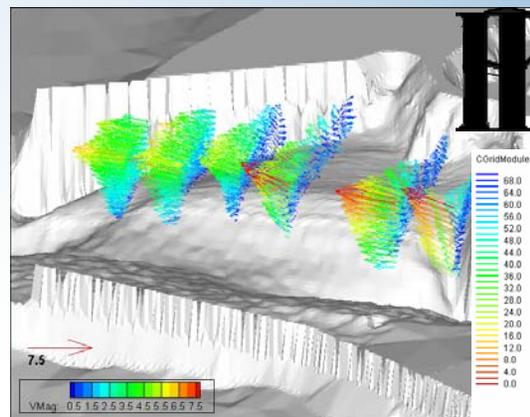


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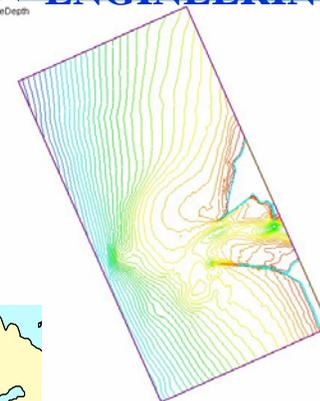
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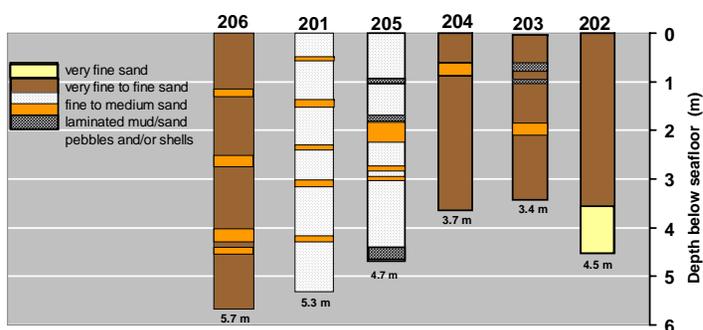
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Columbia River Mouth

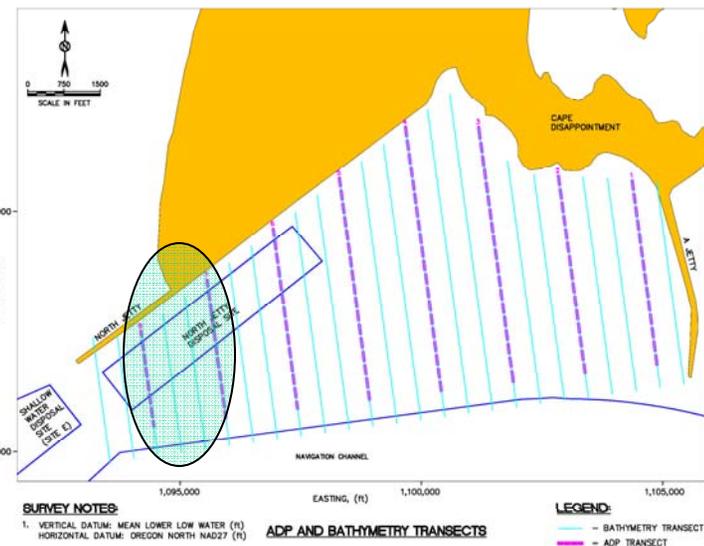
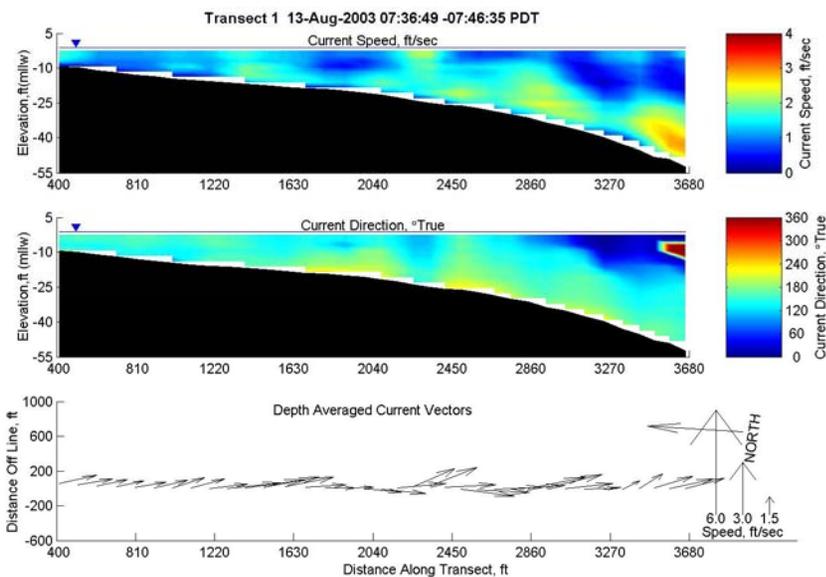
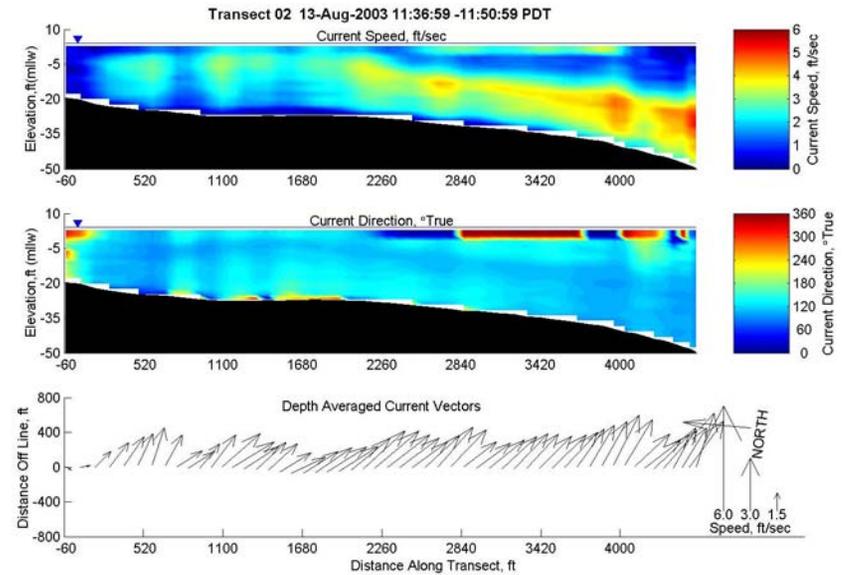
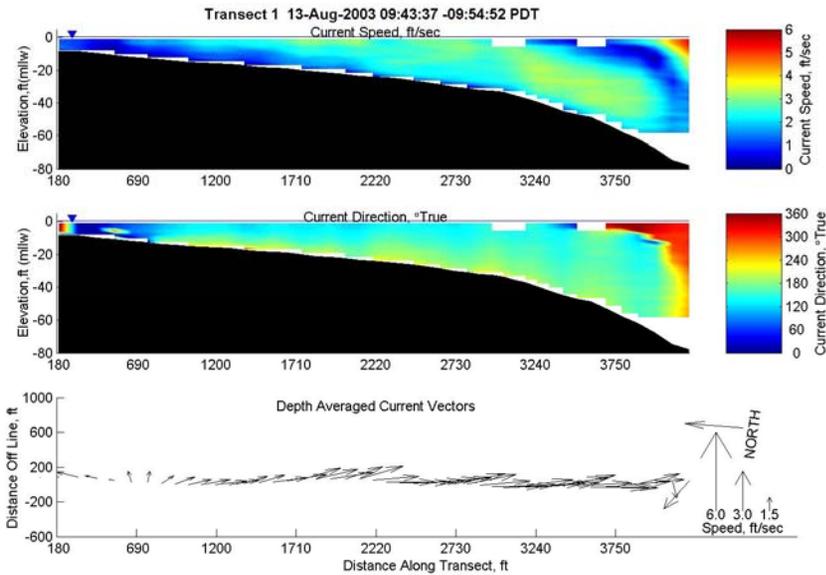


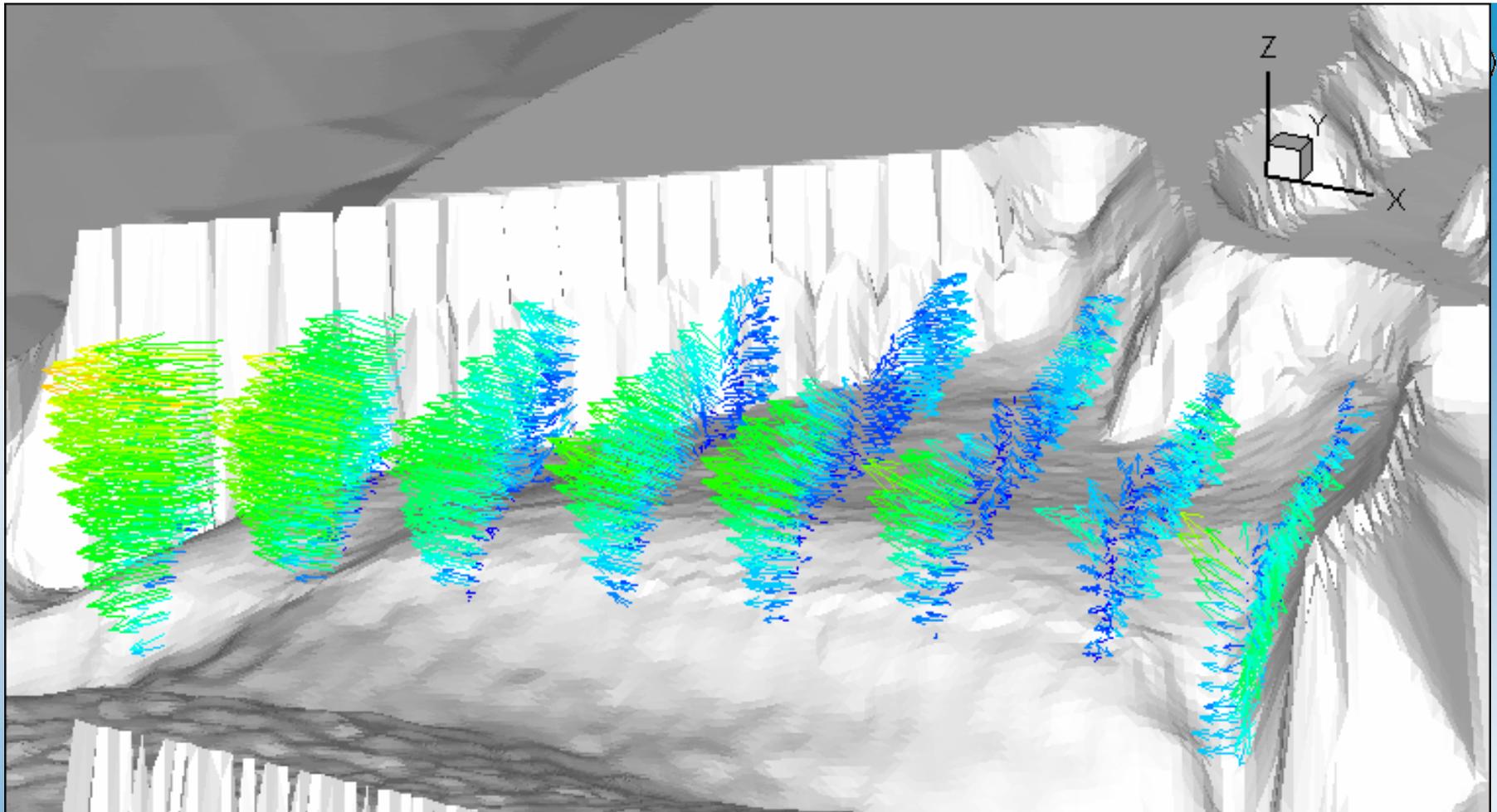
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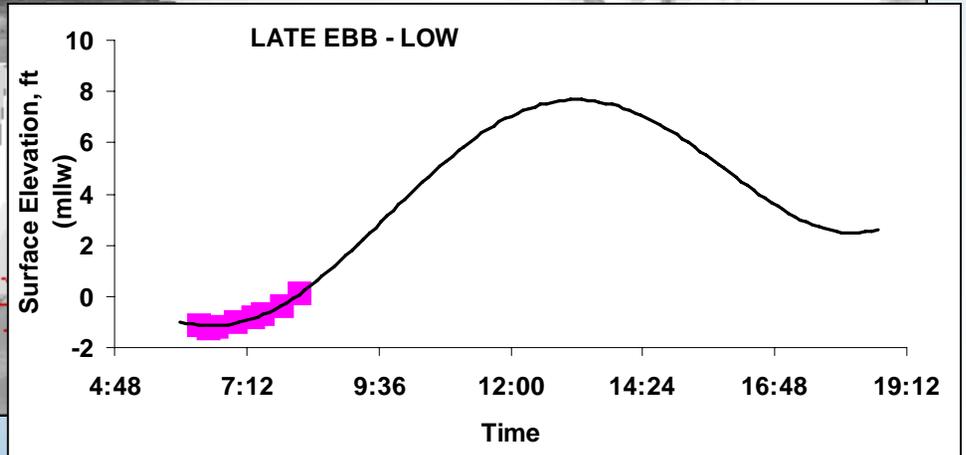
Home Company Products Outreach Research Areas GSA Services Site Map

# Flood current vertical structure across North Jetty Disposal Site



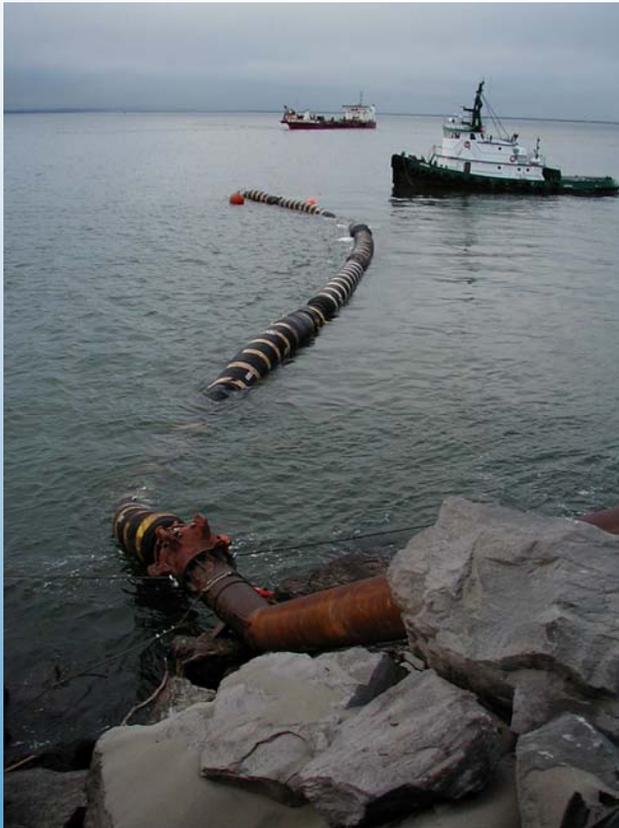


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# Dredging/placement alternatives

*Direct pump-off from hopper dredge*  
*Re-handle at a sump with pipeline dredge*





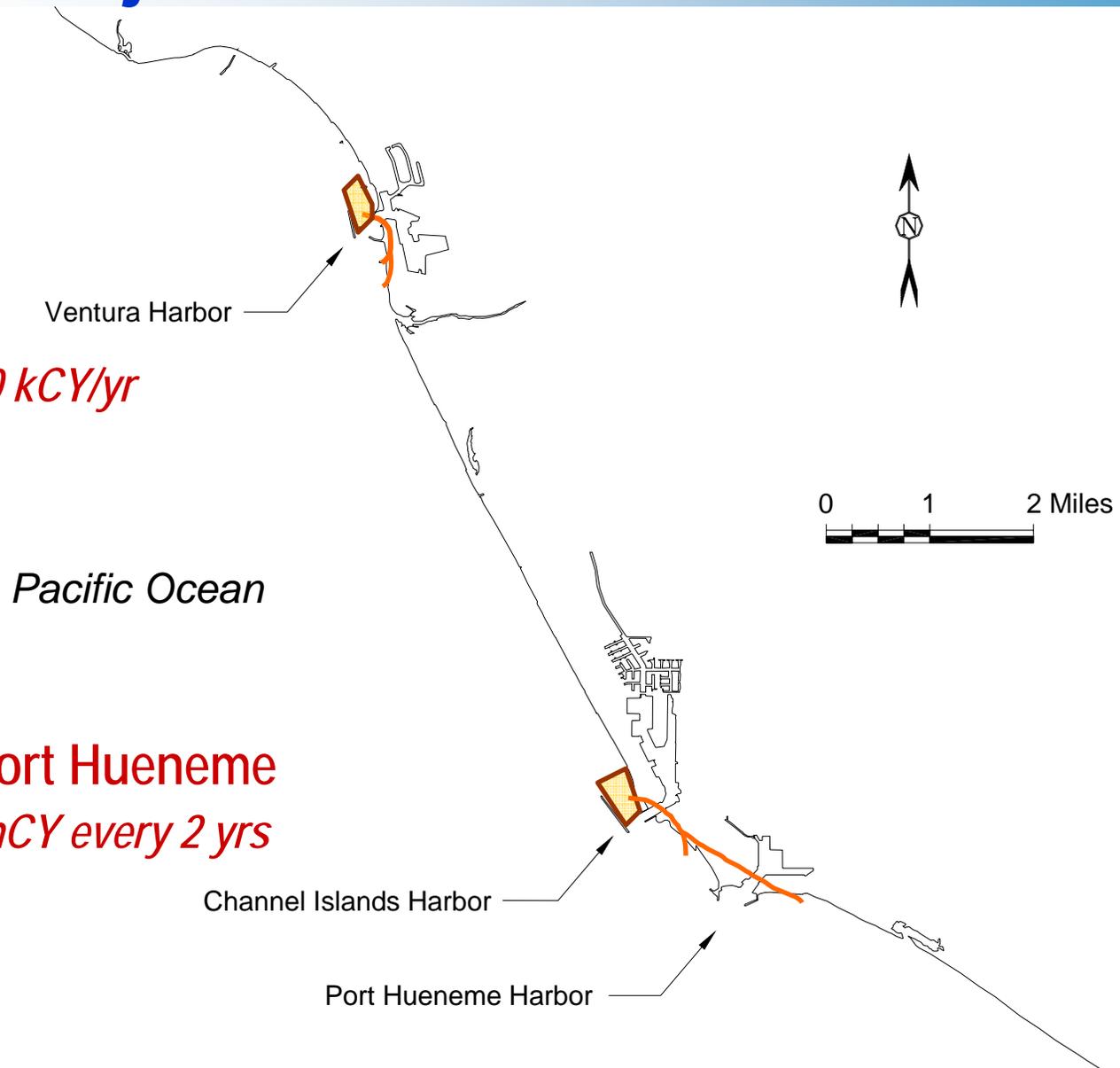
**July 16-20, 2002  
Trial placement  
43,000 cubic yards**



# Established Re-handling/Bypassing Projects in California



- **Ventura Harbor**  
*pipeline dredge 700 kCY/yr*  
*\$2.0 M (\$2.80/CY)*
- **Channel Island/Port Hueneme**  
*pipeline dredge 2 mCY every 2 yrs*  
*\$5.6M (\$2.67/CY)*





## Restoration of Littoral Drift

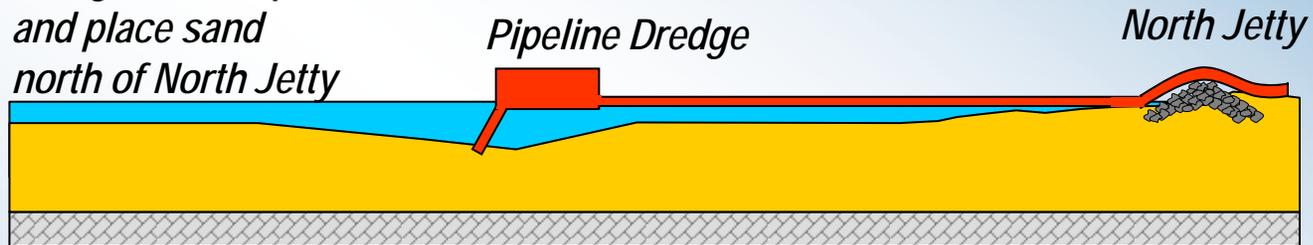
- **Goal is to get maximum beneficial use of dredged materials by placing material in locations where it will re-join the littoral drift**
- **Benson Beach appears to be the ideal location**
- **Can pump sediment across jetty from hopper dredge but only limited volumes (~0.5MCY/yr)**
- **To make a significant impact we propose a sump to stockpile sand – efficient both from an operational and a sediment management perspective.**

# Dredging/placement alternative

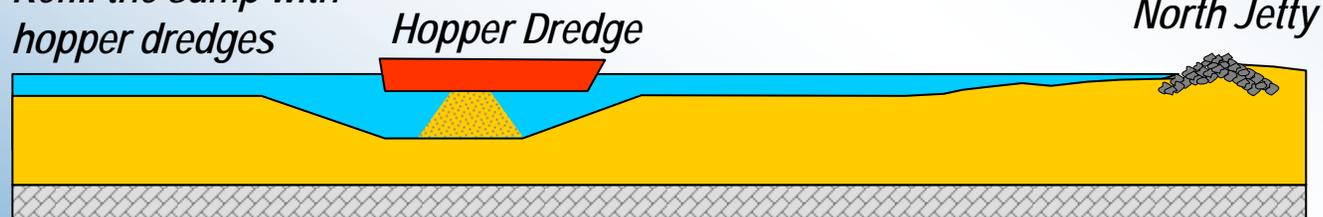
## *Sediment re-handling and sump*



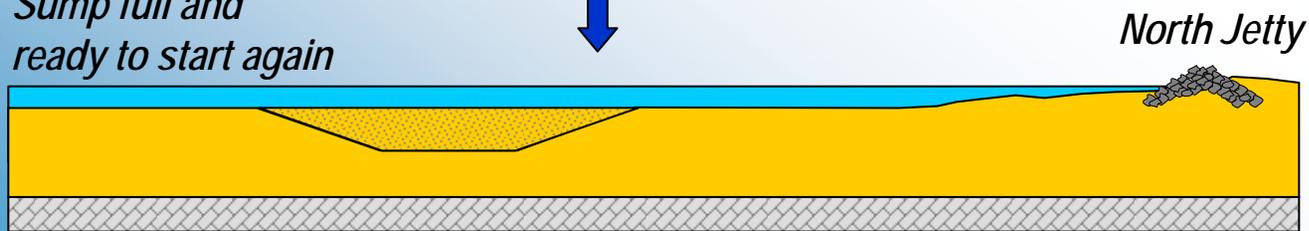
*Dredge the sump  
and place sand  
north of North Jetty*



*Refill the sump with  
hopper dredges*



*Sump full and  
ready to start again*



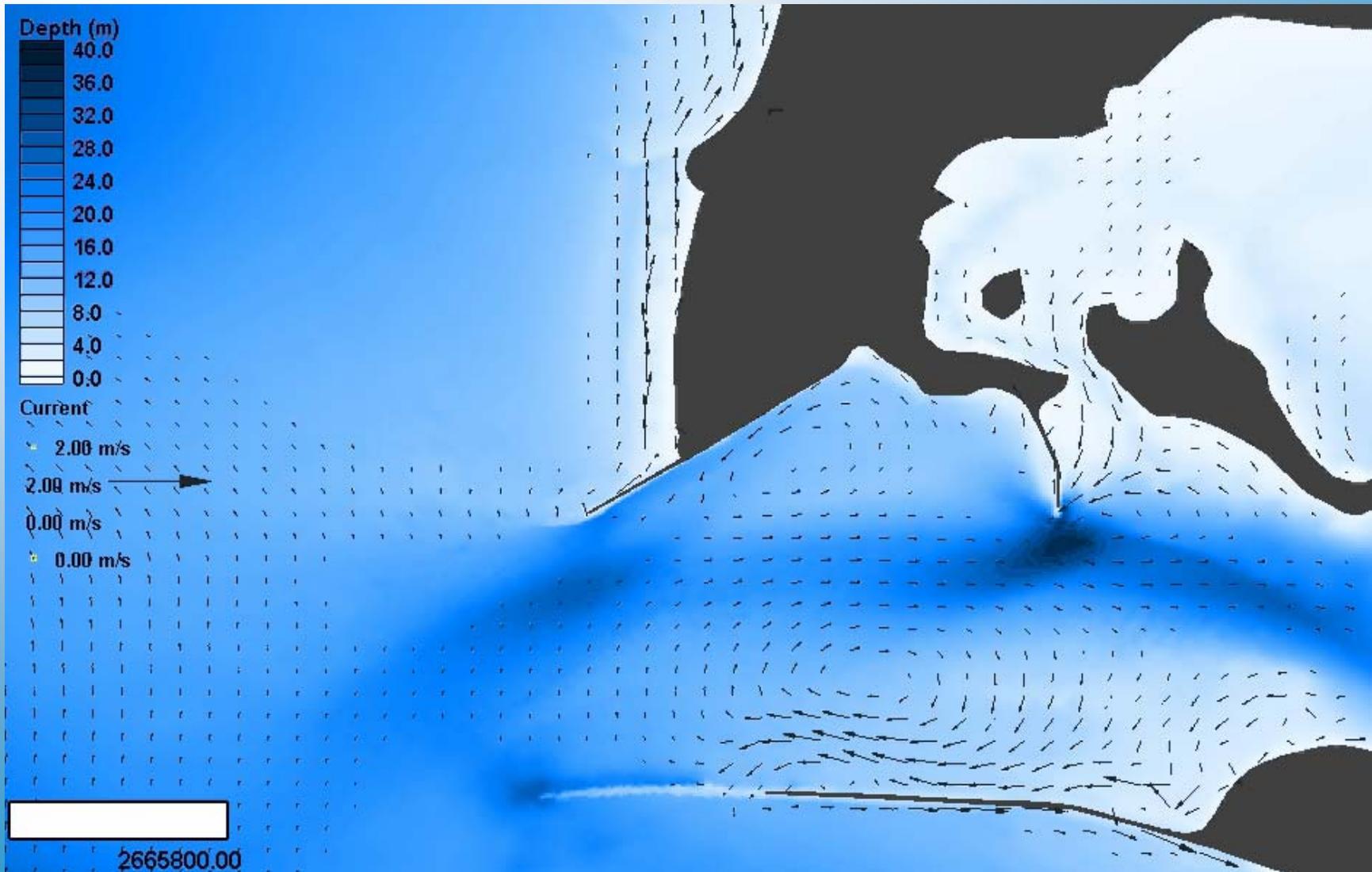


**For the sump to work we have to  
understand sand movement  
in the area...**

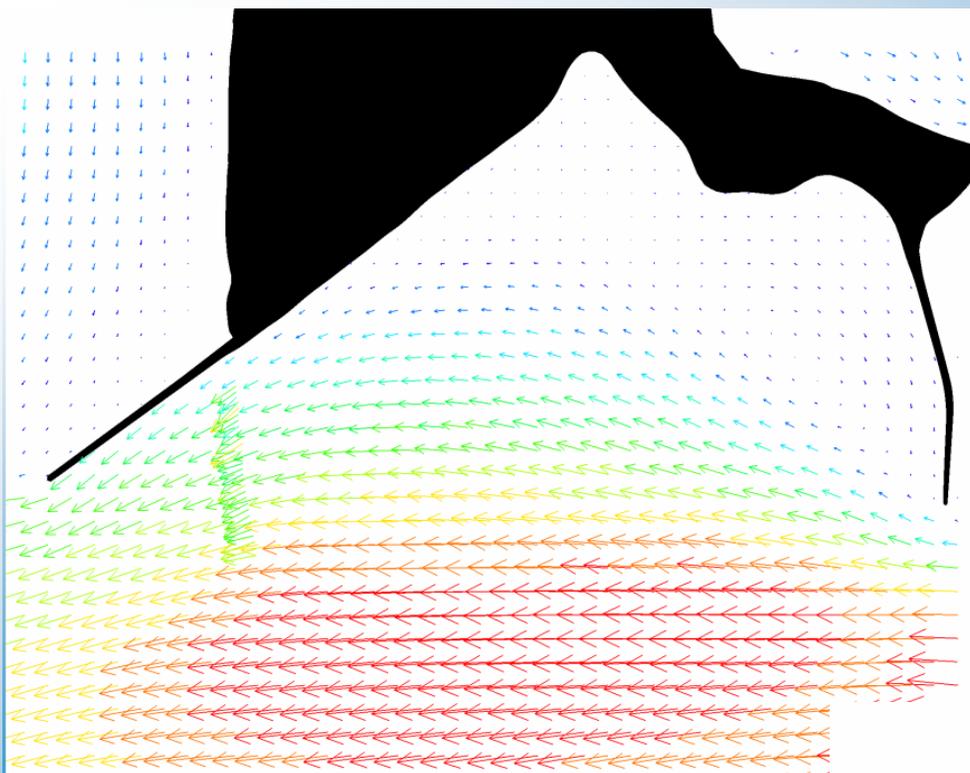
## Numerical modeling of circulation, wave, and sediment dispersion

- Quantify hydraulic conditions (waves and currents) at the north side of the entrance (proposed sump area)
- Evaluate potential operating constraints for sediment re-handling operation during the summer dredging season
- Evaluate potential changes to hydraulics and sediment transport that might arise from the project
- Investigate the potential re-distribution of sediments if alternative placement areas are used

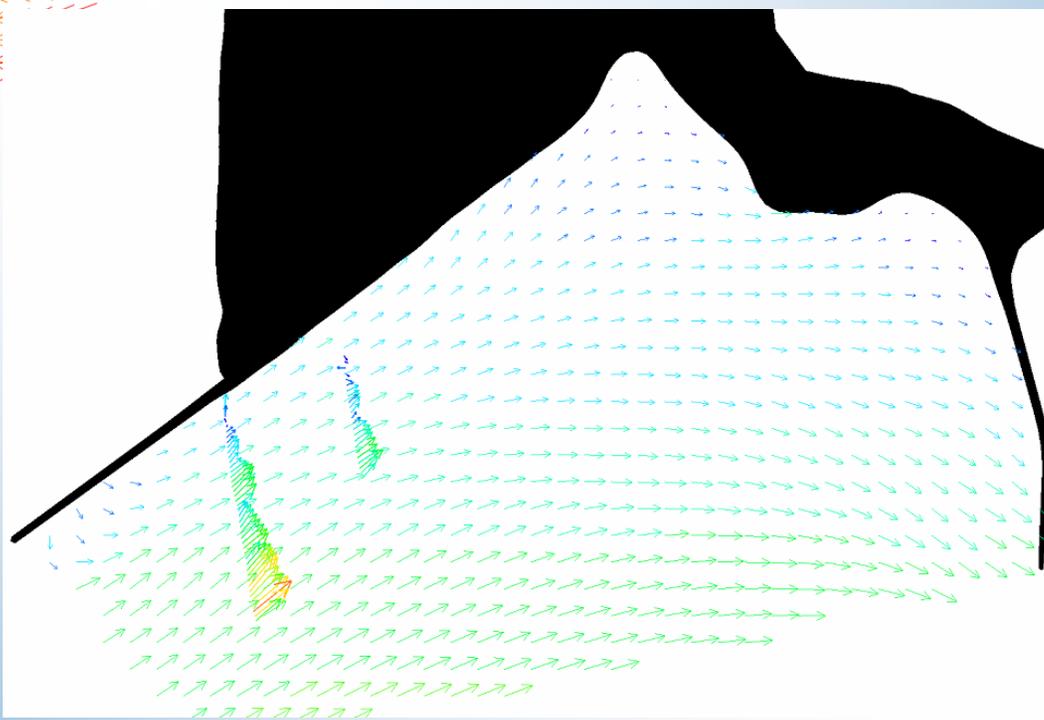
# The ADCIRC/STWAVE model



**Modeled depth-averaged  
currents compared to  
measured currents**



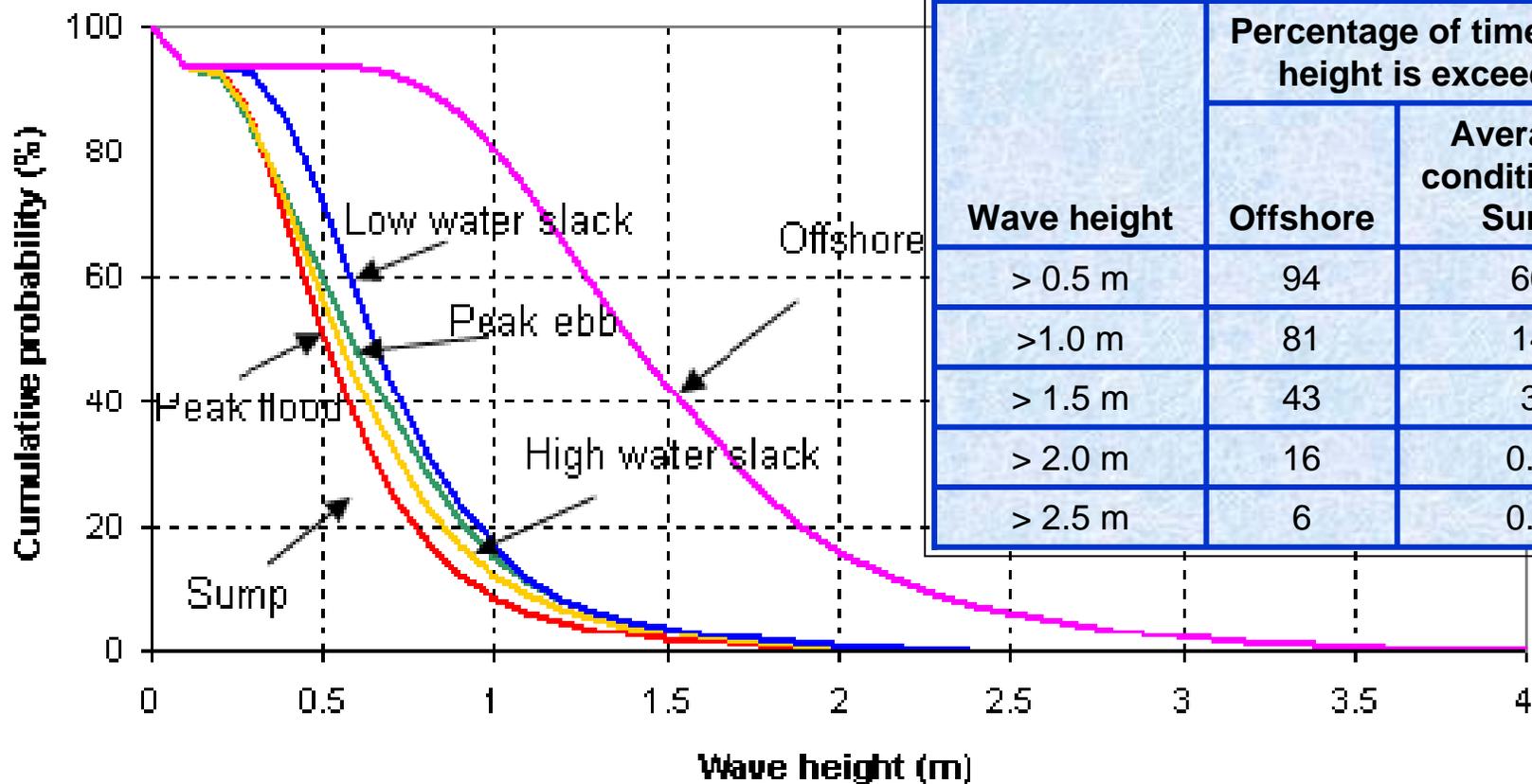
**Predicted bottom currents  
compared to bottom currents  
measured by ADCP**



# Predicted Summer Wave Climate at Sump Area



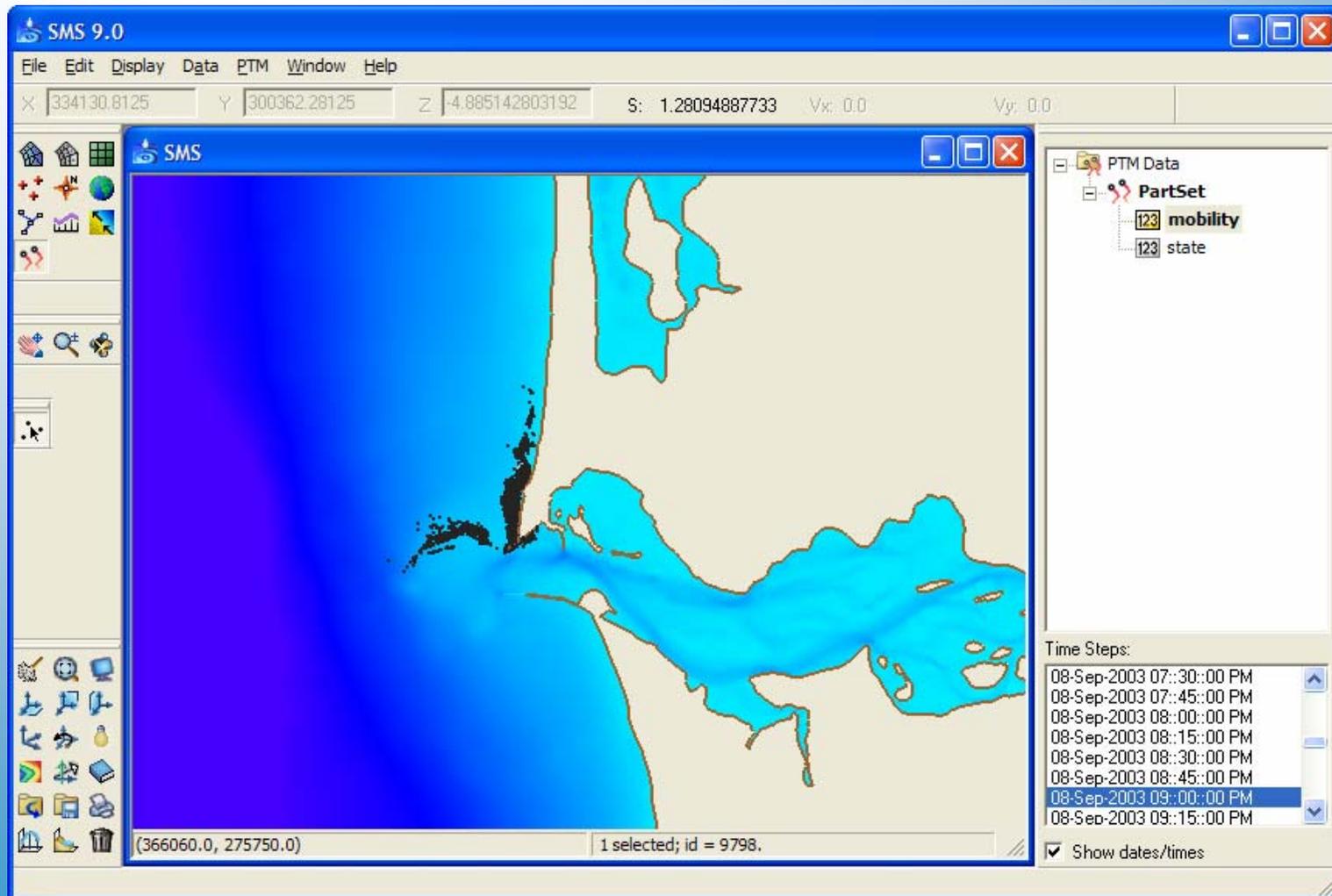
Occurrence levels for waves (summer conditions)



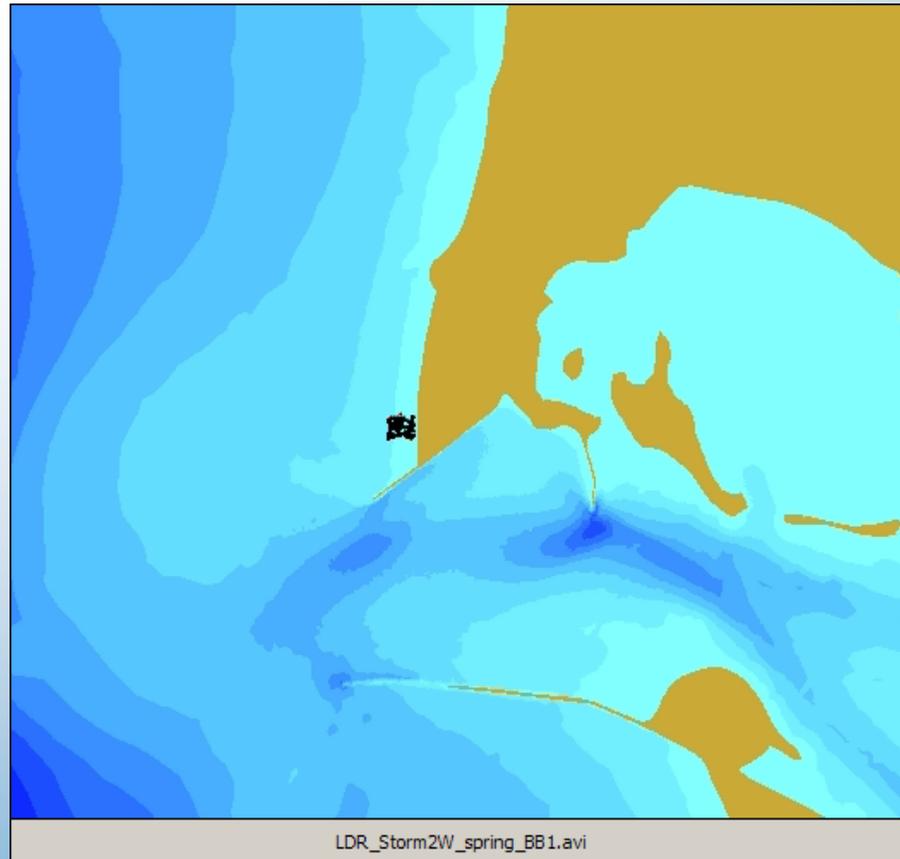
Wave height	Percentage of time wave height is exceeded	
	Offshore	Averaged conditions at Sump
> 0.5 m	94	60
> 1.0 m	81	14
> 1.5 m	43	3
> 2.0 m	16	0.9
> 2.5 m	6	0.1

# Sediment Pathway Analysis Particle Tracking Model - PTM

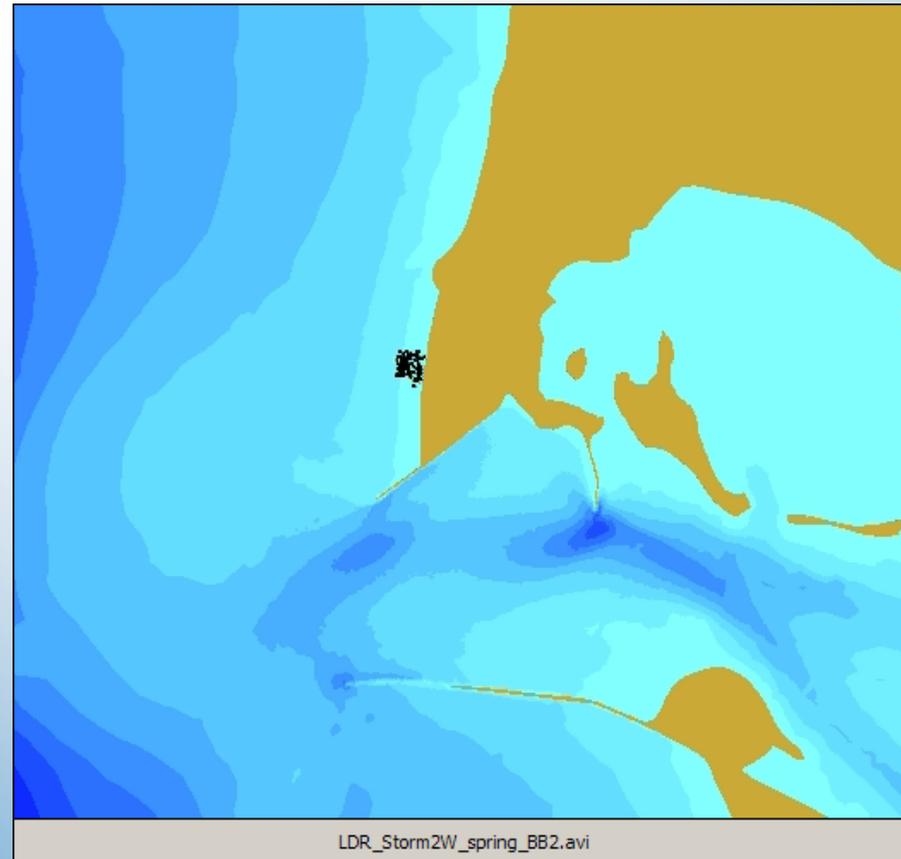
(Developed for USACE ERDC's CIRP & DOER programs)



**PLACEMENT ON BENSON BEACH  
NEAR THE JETTY** (*Summer Storm, Spring Tide, Waves from due west*)



**PLACEMENT ON BENSON BEACH  
FURTHER UP THE BEACH**  
*(Summer Storm, Spring Tide, waves from due west)*

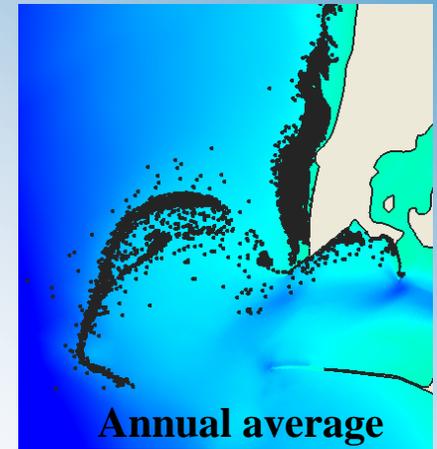
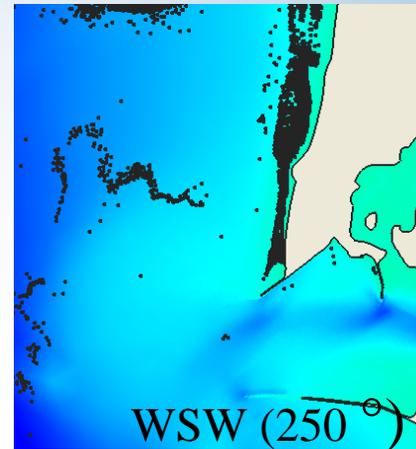
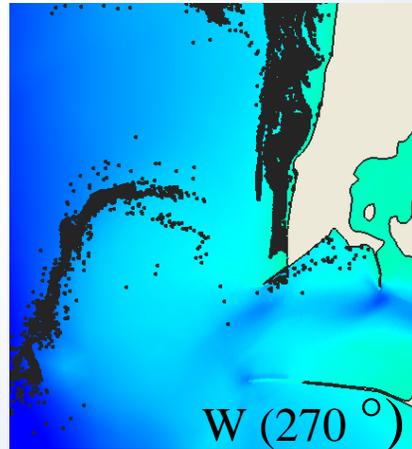
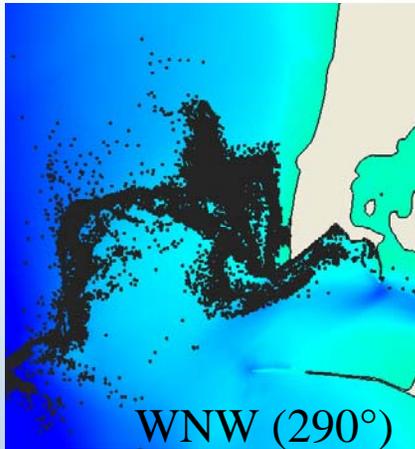


# Results from sediment trap analysis – BB1

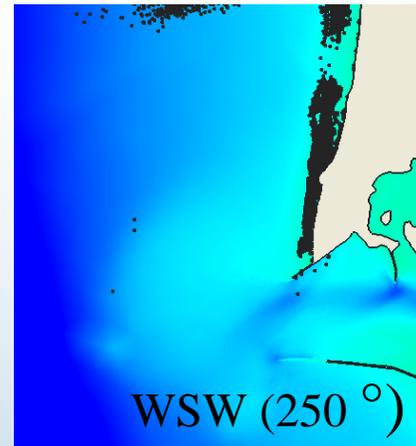
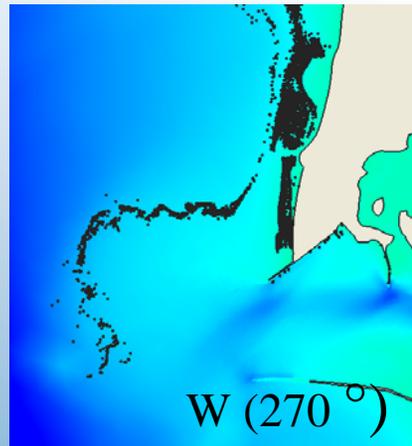
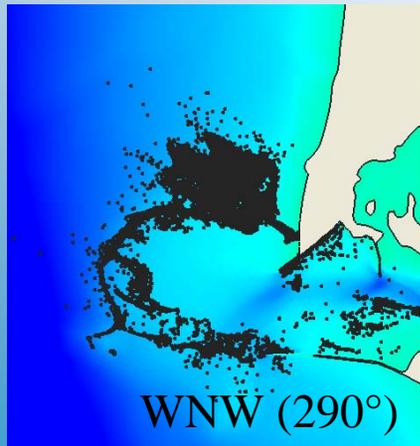
## *Summer wave conditions*



Spring tide



Neap tide



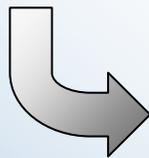
# Littoral Drift Restoration - Project Plan



## Year 1 (FY03-04)

- ✓ Baseline data collection
- ✓ Dredging alternatives analysis
- ✓ Circulation and wave model development

Funding request \$2.1M



## Year 2 (FY05-06)

- Continue baseline data collection (Argus)
- Formulate and plan alternatives
- Contracting, bid documents and specifications
- Environmental permitting
- Placement optimization / sediment fate analysis
- Evaluation of potential sump impacts

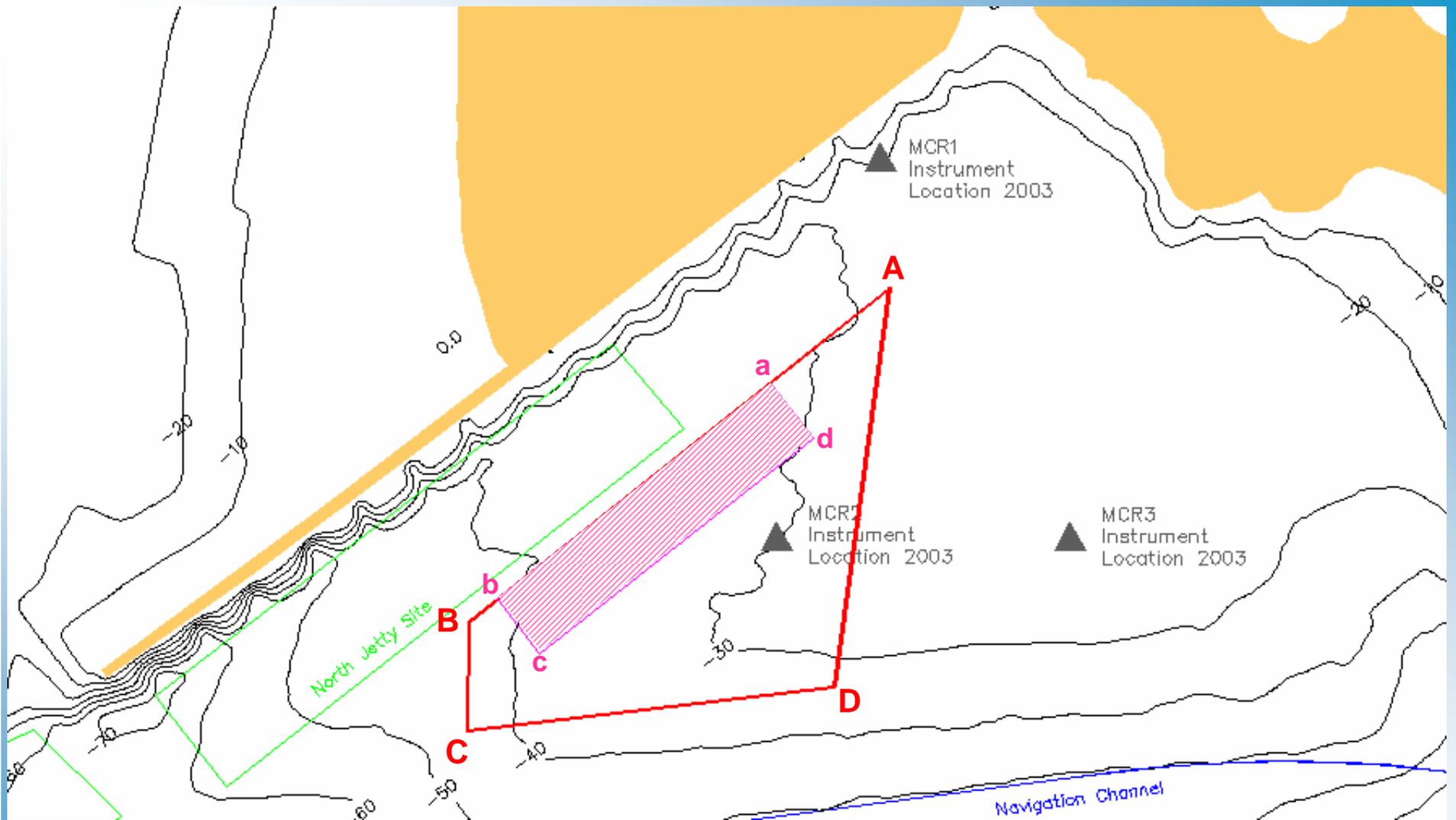
Funding request for demonstration project \$1.6M



## Year 3 (FY07)

- DEMONSTRATION PROJECT**
- Baseline and project monitoring
- Evaluation of demonstration project

Funding request for **full scale project**



-  Sump location for the 2006 demonstration project resulting from discussions at LDR meeting on March 24, 2005 in Longview. (3000 feet by 600 feet)
-  Sump zone from LDR technical meeting in Portland on March 22, 2005.

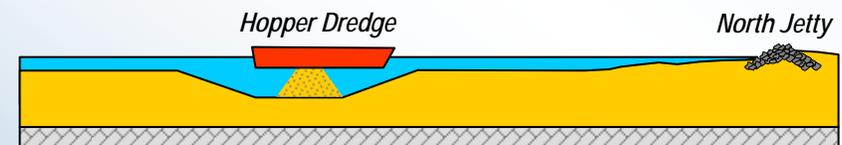
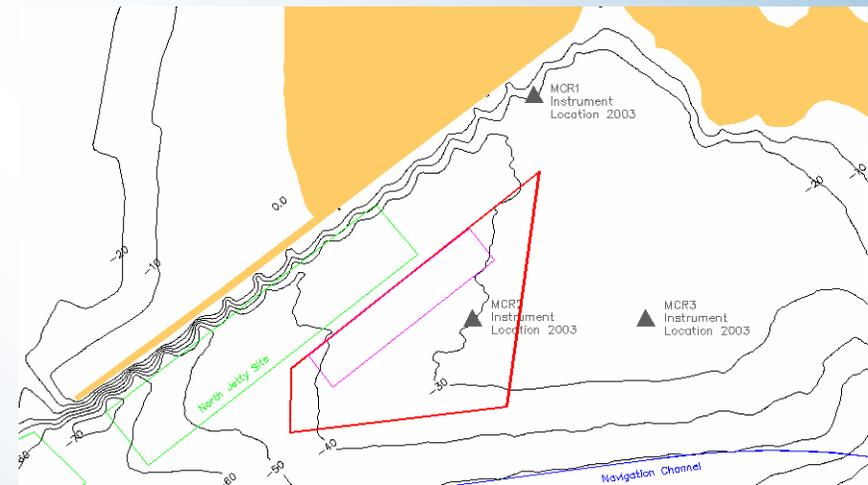


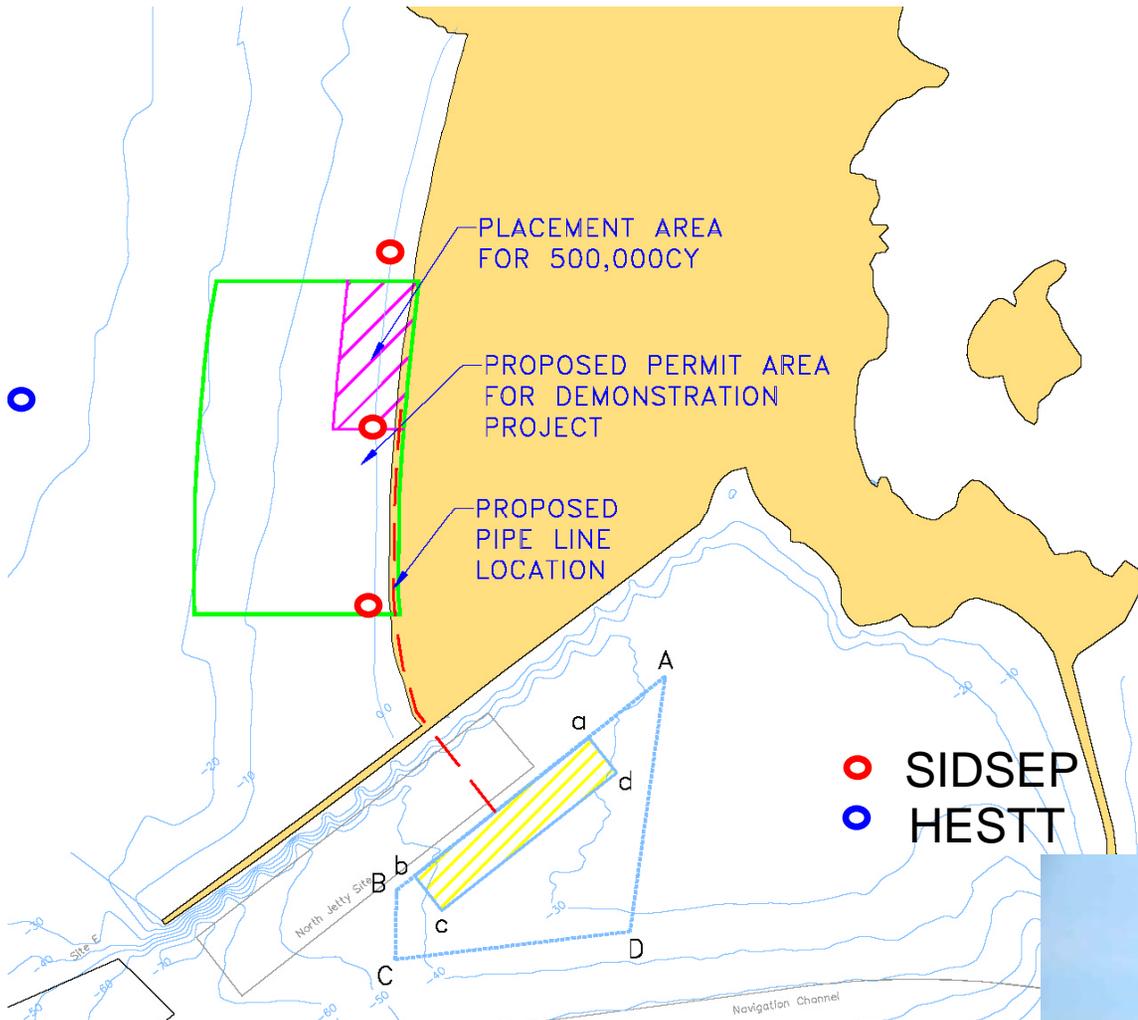
# Moving Forward...

## Demonstration Project Objectives

*To evaluate the alternative of re-handling dredged sediment using a sump.*

- Sump feasibility / performance
- Re-handling operation efficiency
- Cost estimate of larger-scale re-handling and littoral drift restoration
- Littoral system response





Field measurements  
 Placement area  
 Sept 28-Oct 19, 2005

