



The Role and the Future of Public-Private Collaborations in Gulf-wide Monitoring

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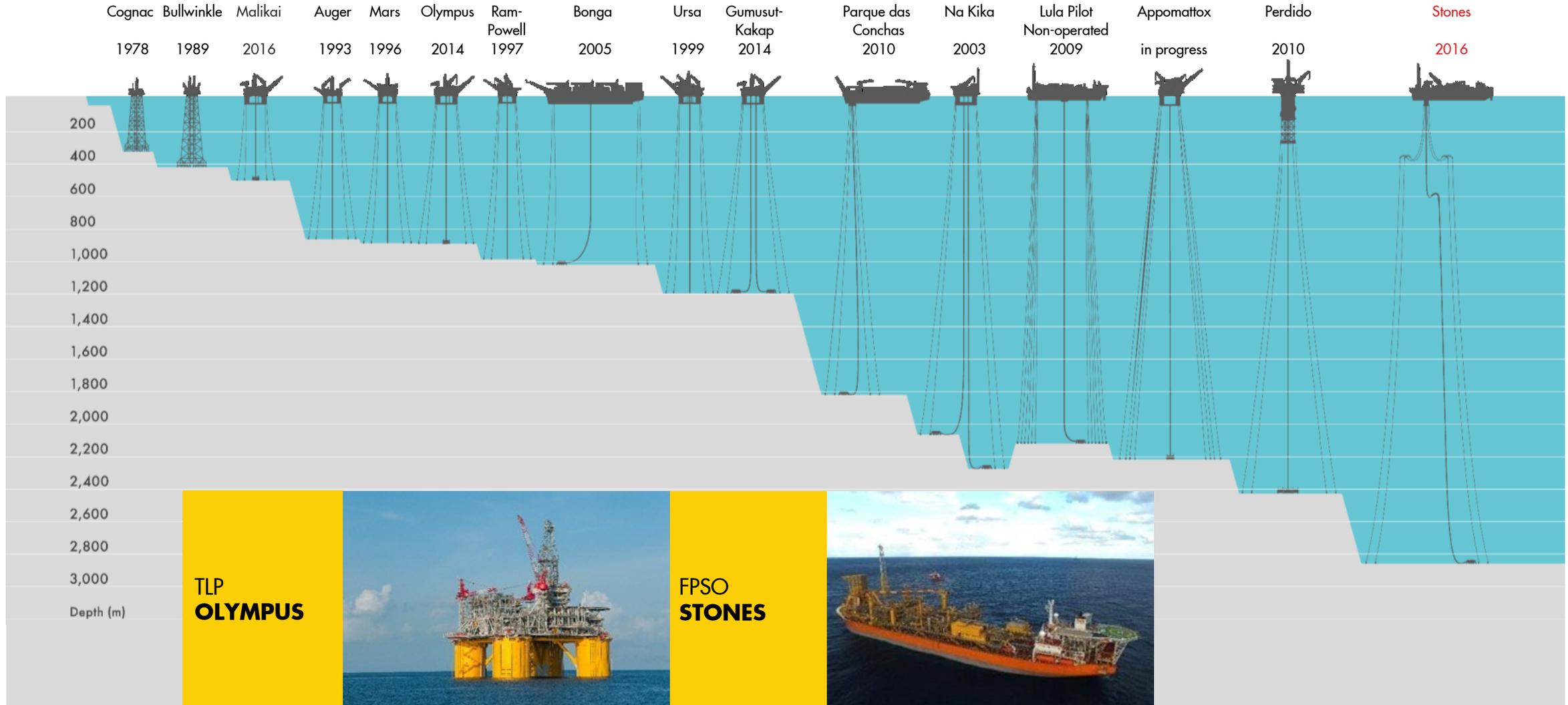
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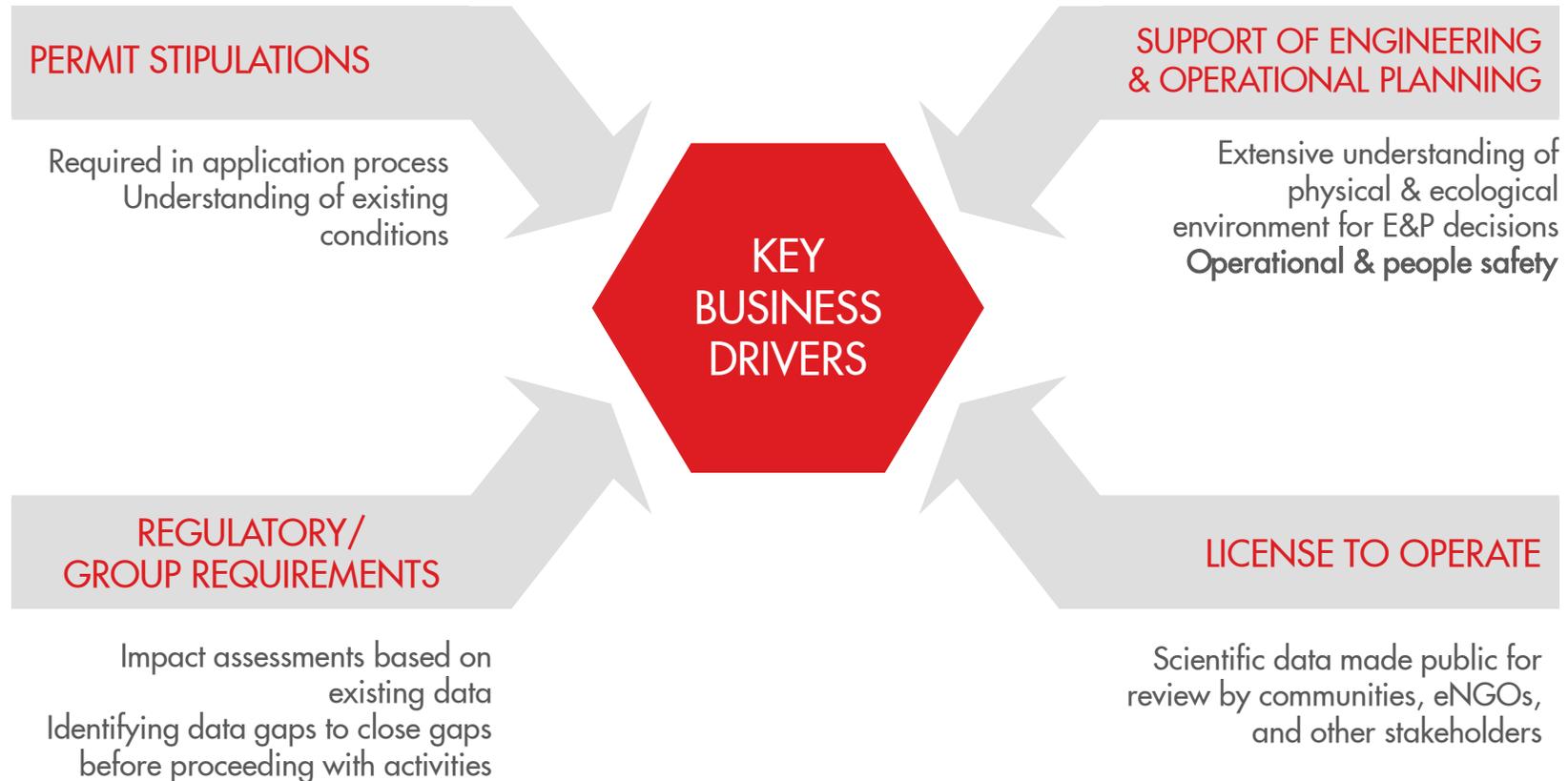
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Shell's Gulf of Mexico Regional Footprint



Shell Drivers for Implementing Environmental Monitoring



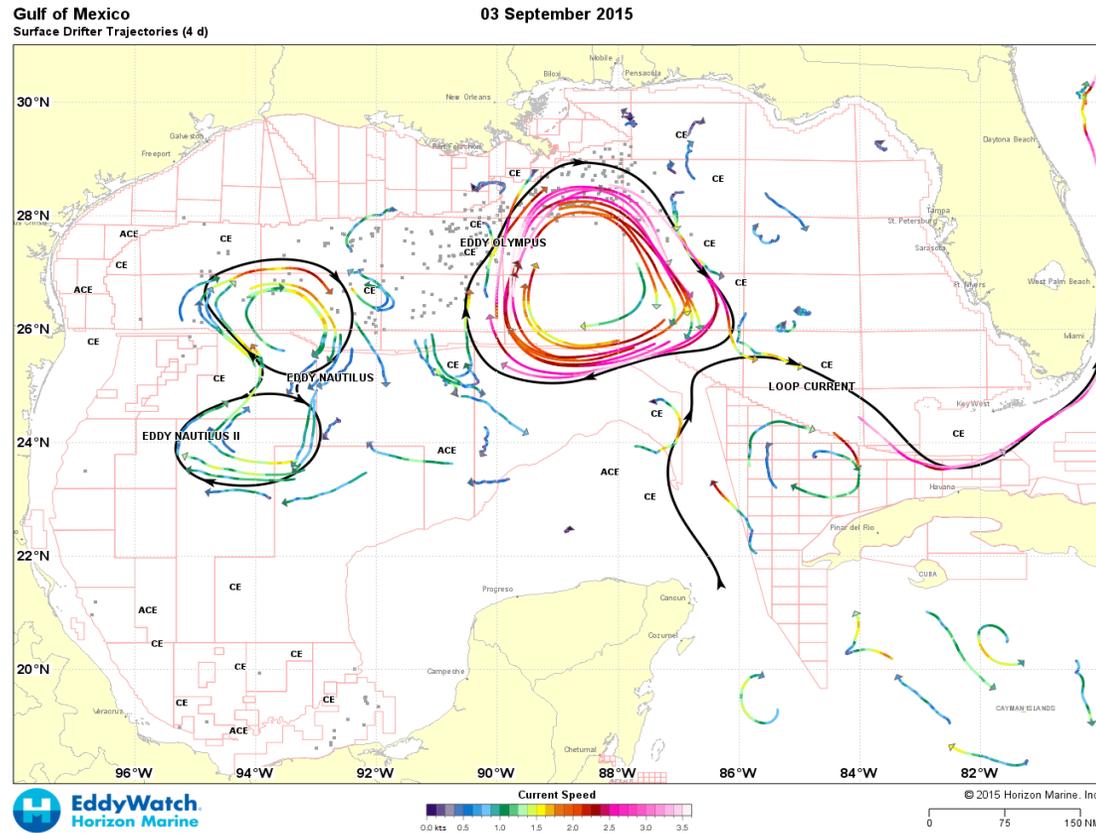
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Can achieve business needs & add value through public-private collaborations



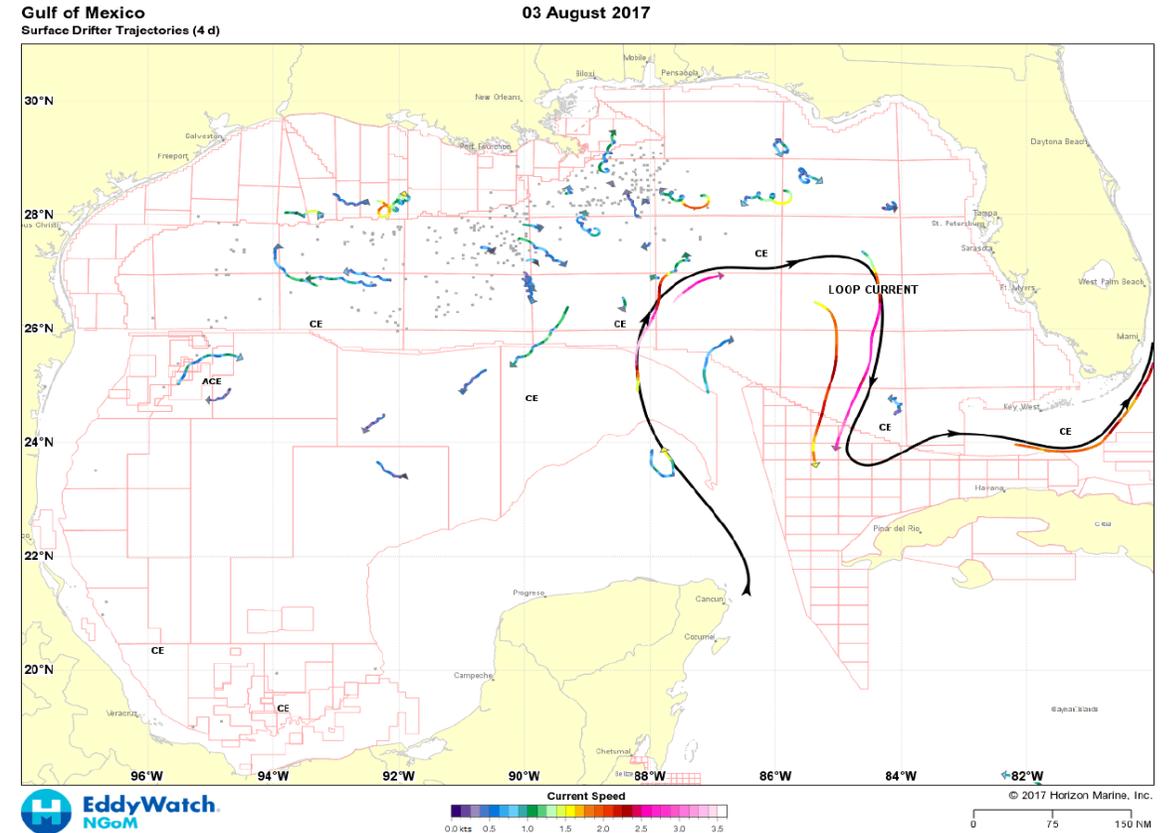
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**UNDERSTANDING &
RESPECTING**

And the Gulf is a Dynamic Environment

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How Shell is Collaborating to Monitor the Gulf of Mexico

Advancing ocean technology & capability

Using autonomous vehicles to improve hurricane forecasting



Providing offshore data to GOM communities

Working with NOAA to share real-time ocean data



Exploring & monitoring the deep GOM

Using industry ROVs to study deep sea biodiversity



Supporting the next generation

Sponsoring educational outreach, research, & competitions



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Offshore collaborators are Gulf-wide and cross all sectors

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Monitoring the Flower Garden Banks

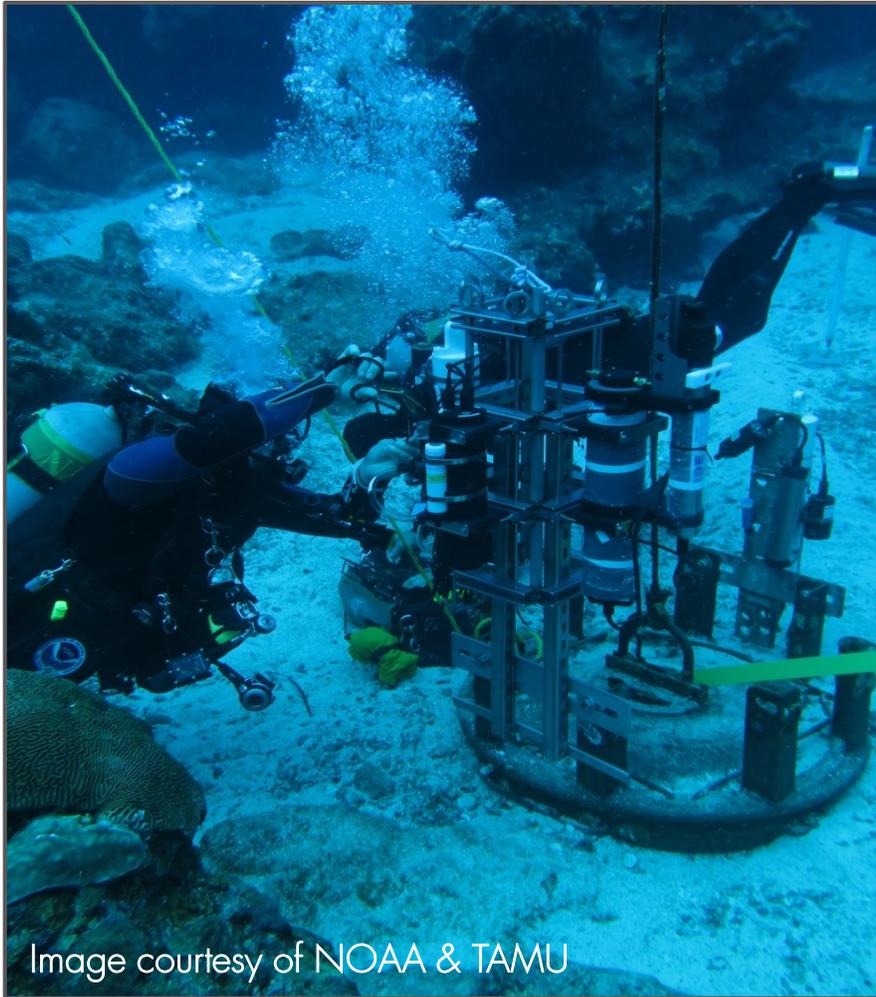


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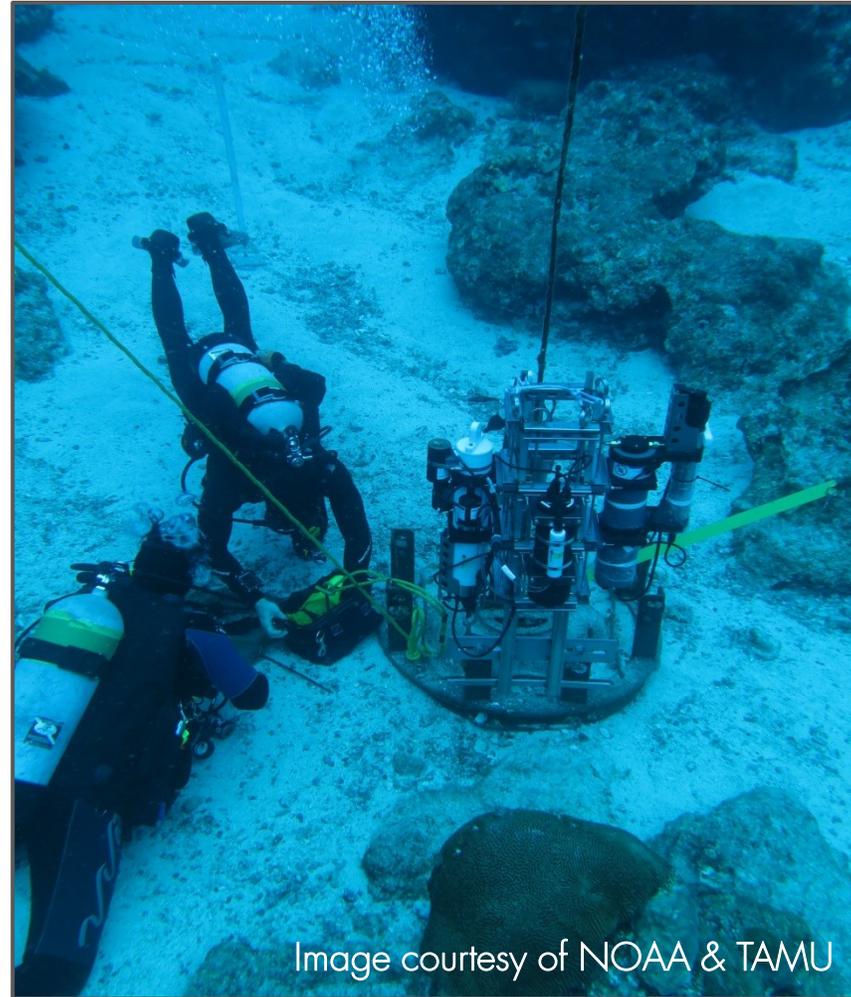


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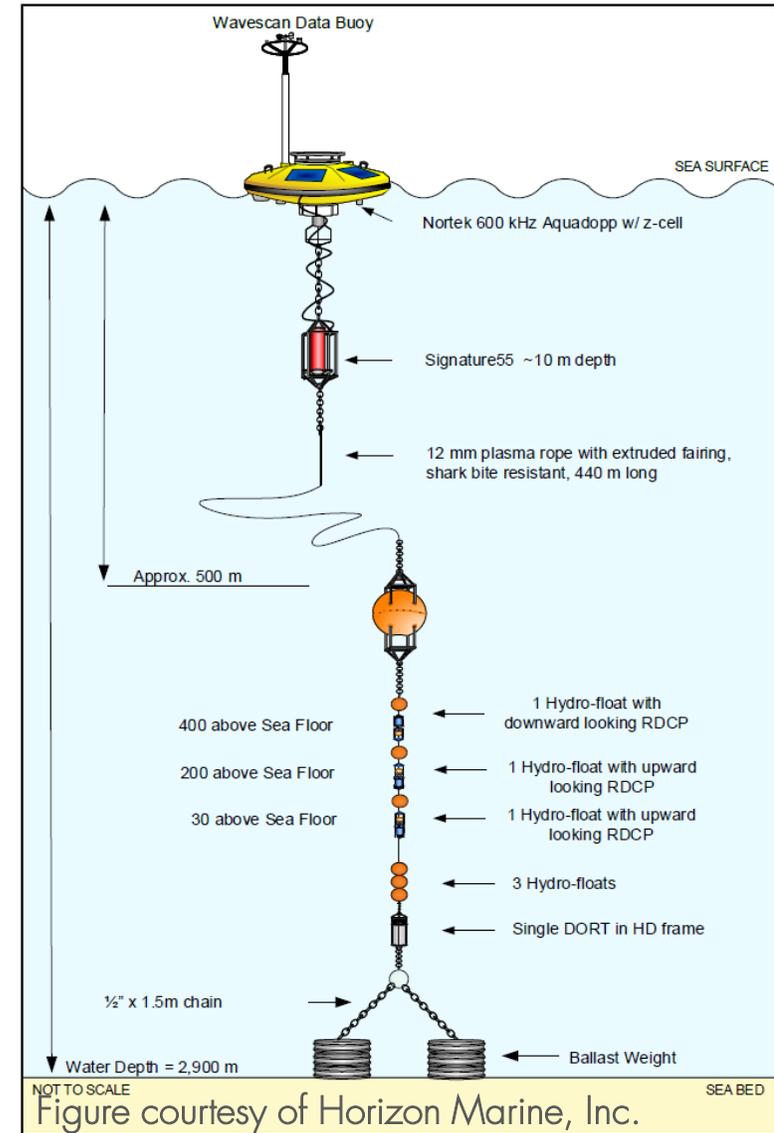




The Newest Collaboration – Stones Metocean Observing Station

Stones Metocean Observing Station

- Monitoring ocean currents is important to safe operations & is required by the U.S. government (BSEE NTL 2009-G02)
 - Continuous real-time monitoring from 30 – 1000m
- Shell's first standalone and deepest mooring
- Designed to collect data for lifetime of Stones FPSO
- Current data collected includes:
 - Wind
 - Waves
 - Ocean currents (down to 1000m)
- The data supports operations & is sent to NOAA (http://www.ndbc.noaa.gov/station_page.php?station=42395)



Building the Collaboration for the Stones Metocean Mooring

- Start by expanding existing ocean observations collaborations
 - Shell is currently working with University of Southern Mississippi, NOAA, Horizon Marine Inc. and NAVO to deploy and operate gliders to monitor the Loop Current
 - Opportunity to include Texas A&M University and to involve other future collaborators
- Academic institutions provide additional sensors, research capacity, and the next generation of scientists and metocean engineers
 - Added current meters and thermistors to measure full water column
 - Student opportunity to learn marine operations and take deep sea water samples during service visit
- Shell and Fugro provide access to the mooring and location twice a year
- All collaborators are working together to transform Stones metocean mooring into a **deep Gulf of Mexico sentinel observatory**



Benefits of Collaborating

- Connect people, science, technology, and resources to improve accessibility to broader Gulf of Mexico
- Effective mechanism to sustain long-term observations & establish sentinel sites
- Shift to integration and synthesis across disciplines
- Broaden data collection and dissemination
- Shape future policy and decision-making of ocean uses and resources



Credit: NOAA

The Future of Monitoring Collaborations

■ Transformative

- Fill gaps, establish baselines, synthesize data, sustain observations
- Expand coastal and shelf monitoring into the blue and deep waters of the Gulf of Mexico
- Shift from a localized approach to a regional Gulf-wide approach
- Integrate and synthesize existing observing and data platforms and uptake these into decision-making

■ Innovative

- Incorporate new technology in observing (shift to autonomy)
- New approaches to traditional observing campaigns and common phenomena (e.g. Loop Current)
- Link disciplines and data to shift into new dimension (4-D) of monitoring

