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# Monroe County Technical Update Meeting

## Southeast Florida Coastal Study

March 15, 2016– Marathon

March 15, 2016– Key West

**RiskMAP**

Increasing Resilience Together



# Welcome and Introductions

- **FEMA Region IV**

- Christina Lindemer – Technical Lead



- **Production and Technical Services (PTS) Contractor**

- Michael DelCharco – Project Manager



# Agenda

- Risk MAP Overview
- Coastal Project Overview
- Status and Update
- Questions and Answers



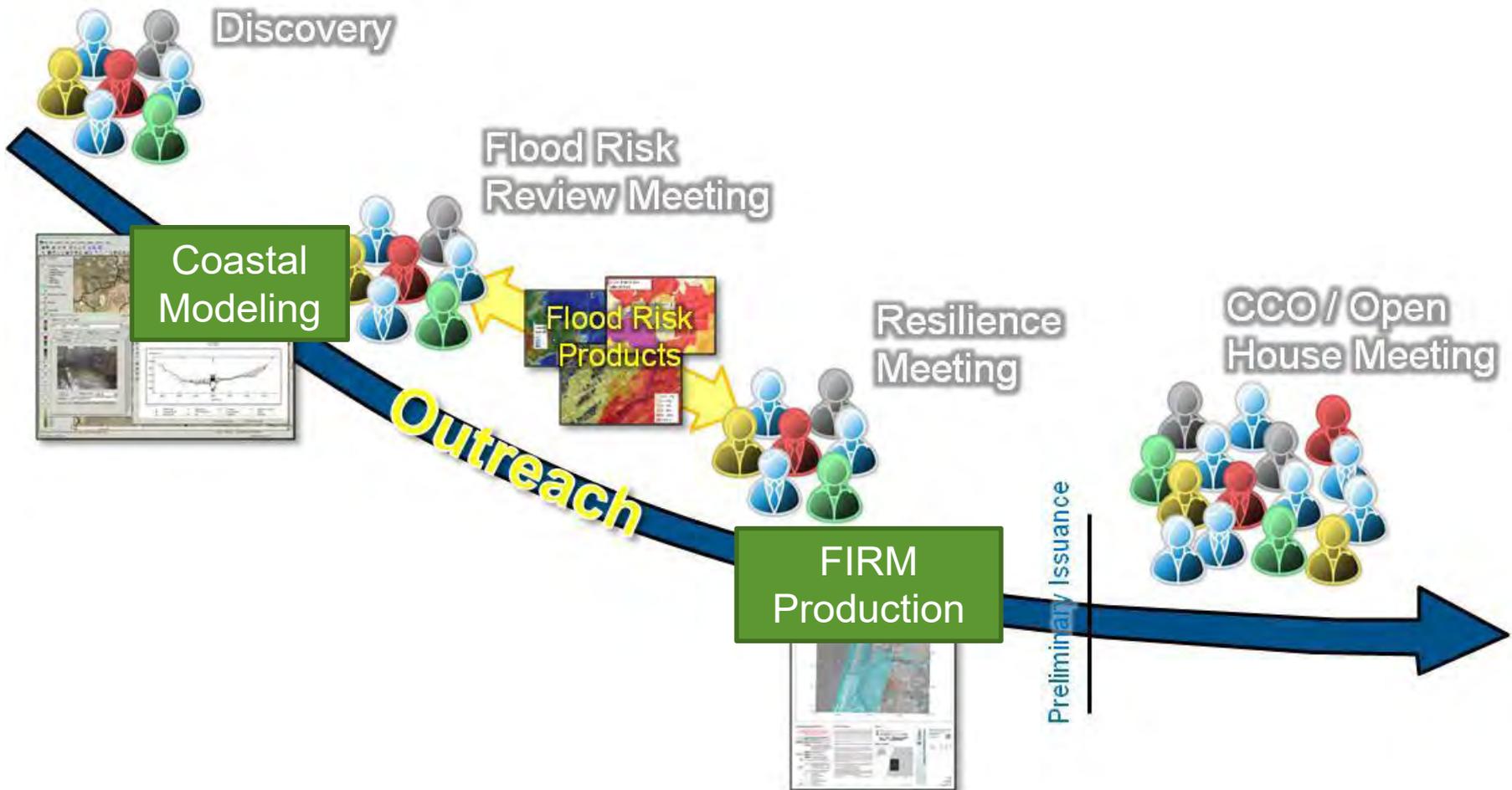
# Risk MAP Program Overview



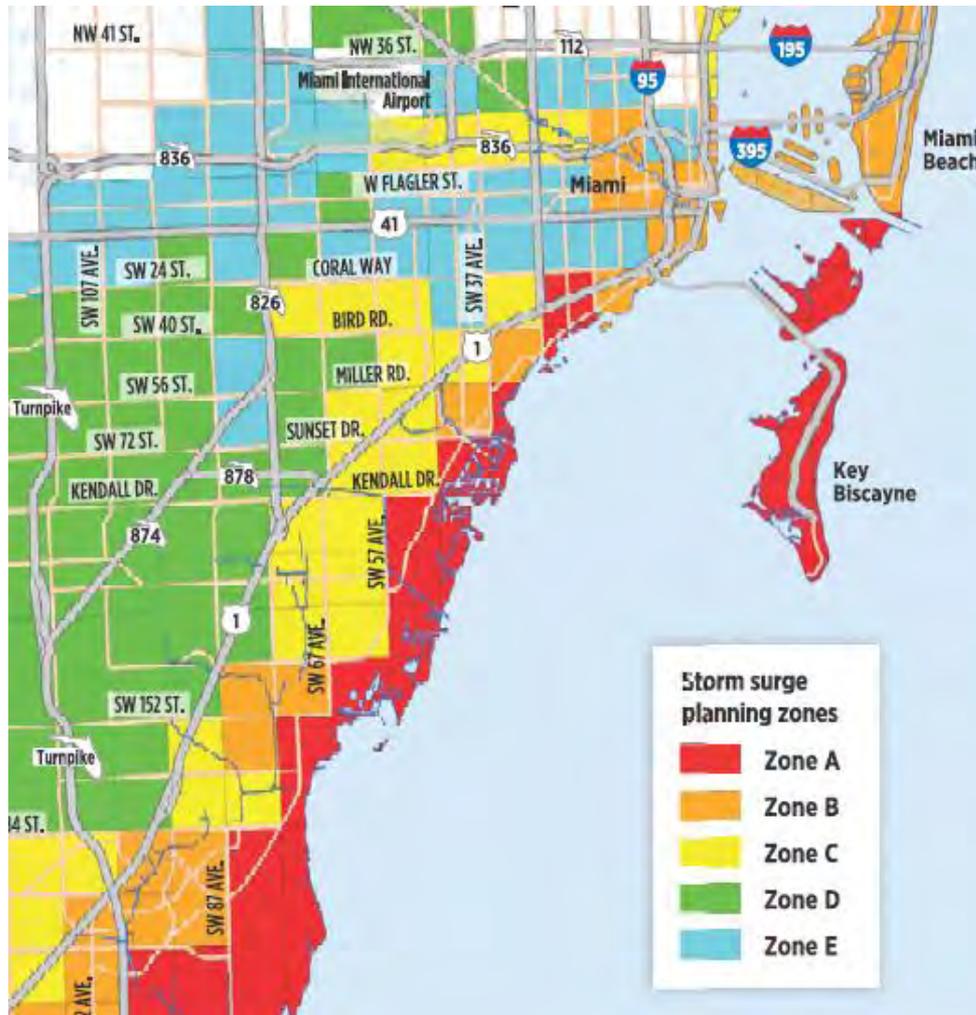
- **Risk MAP Objective (Coastal)**

- To provide updated flood hazard data for 100% of the populated U.S. coast

# Risk MAP Project Timeline

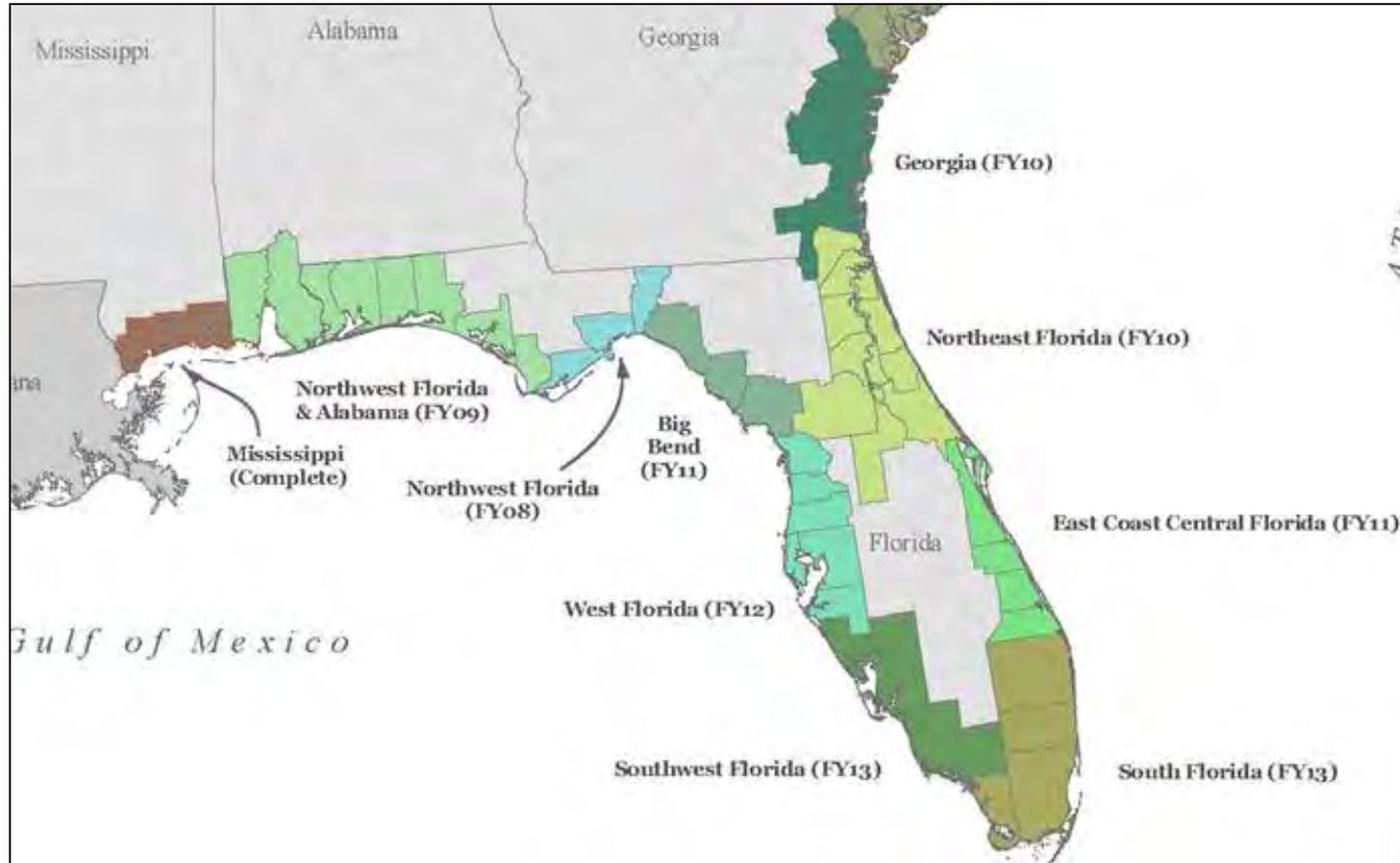


# Southeast Florida Coastal Study – What It's Not.....



The new FEMA Coastal Study is NOT a Hurricane Evacuation Study and is not meant to replace your current Hurricane Evacuation Study.

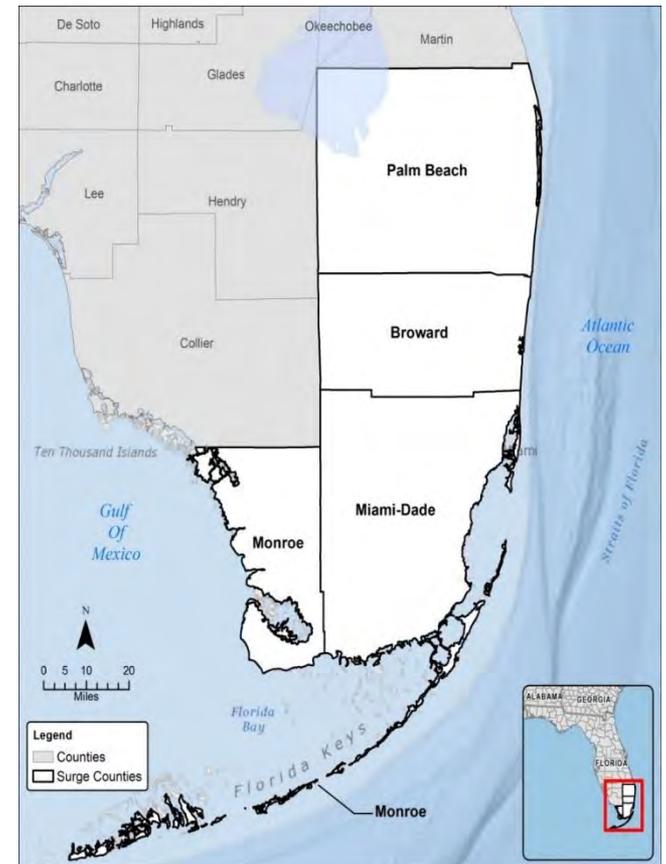
# Ongoing Coastal Studies



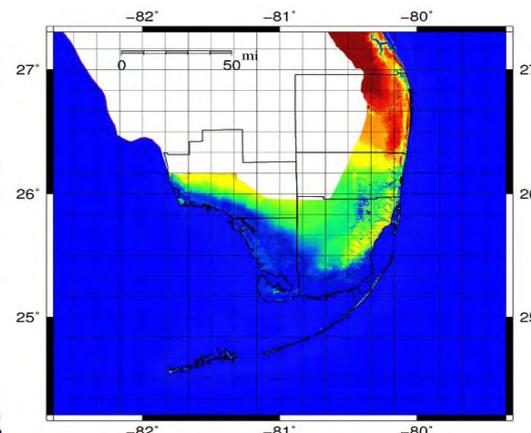
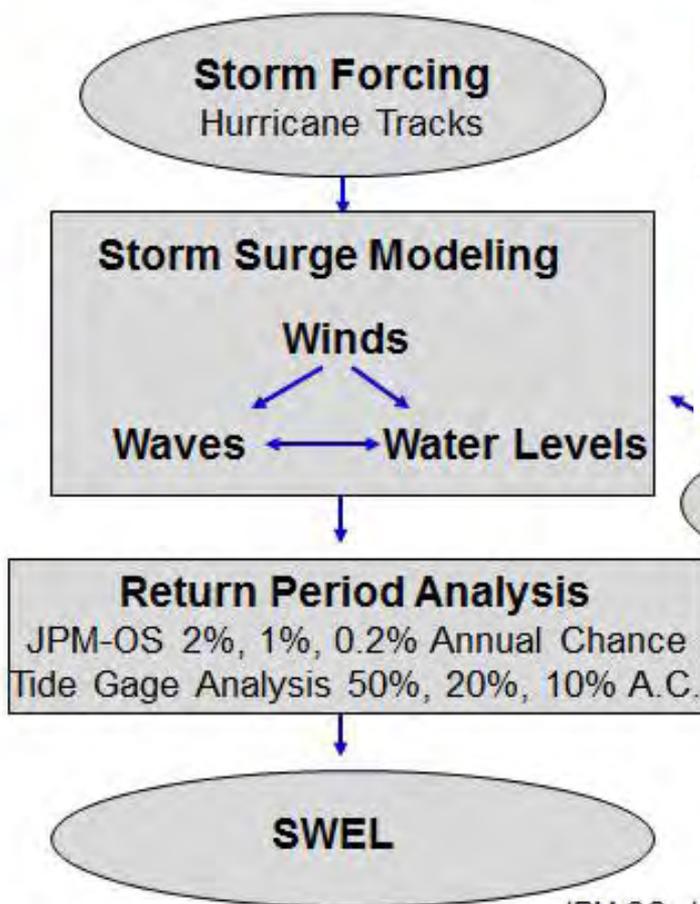


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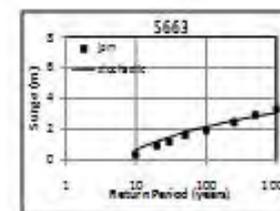
- Study methodology
  - DEM and Mesh development
  - Land Cover Data Analysis
  - Site Reconnaissance
  - JPM-OS
  - Validation
  - Canal sensitivity
- Questions?



# Coastal Study – Details



High-Resolution  
Bathymetry / Topography  
Mesh



JPM-OS: Joint Probability Method - Optimum Sampling

# Coastal Study – Details

## SWAN+ADCIRC

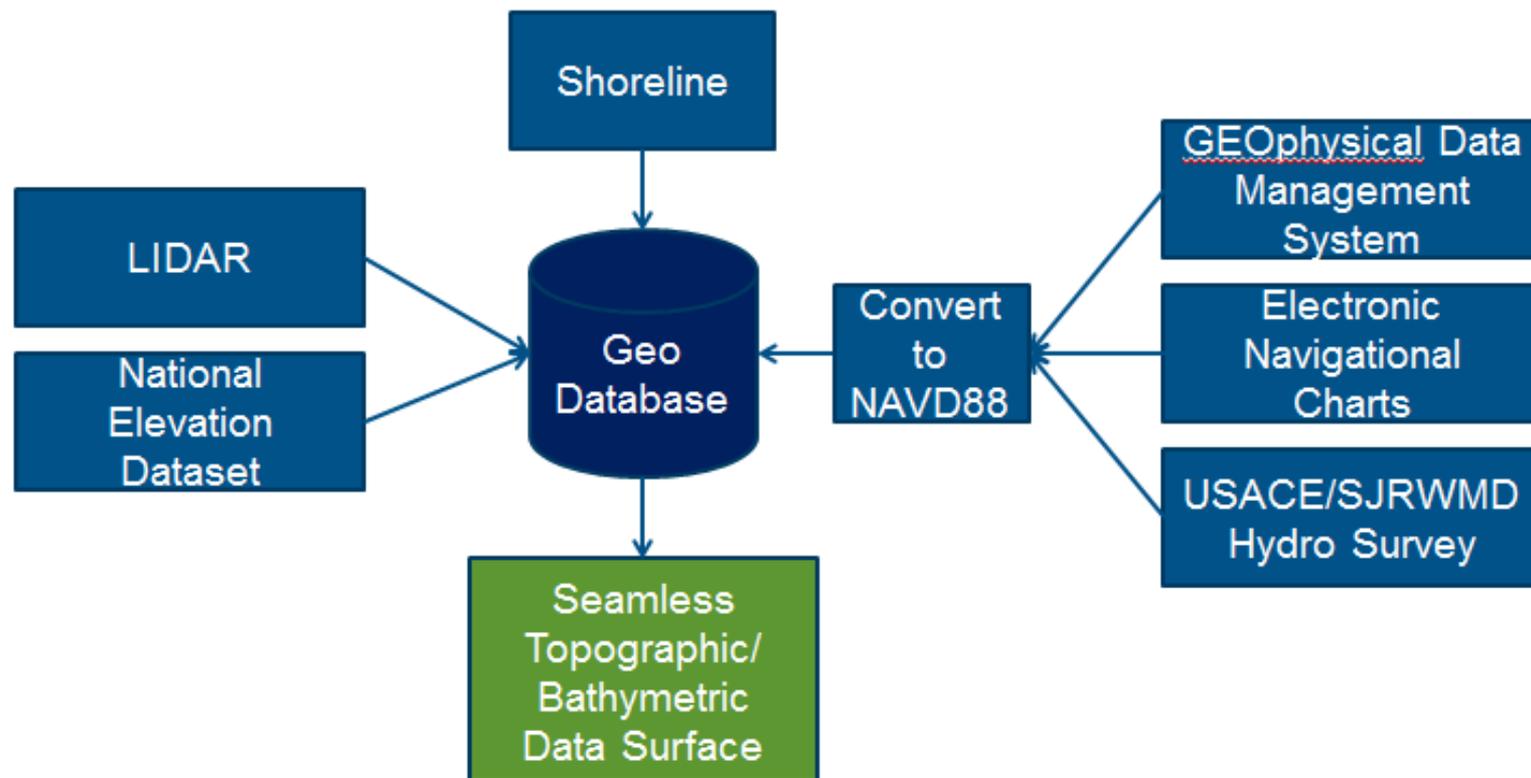
- Water levels + currents + waves
- Parallelized code
- Forcing
  - Wind speed, barometric pressure
  - Tides
  - Riverine flow
- Output
  - Water surface elevation
  - Velocity
  - Wave height, peak period, mean period, direction
  - Radiation stress

# Coastal Study – Details

- Digital Elevation Model (DEM)
- Mesh development
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# Coastal Study – Details

## Seamless Topographic and Bathymetric Data Surface (DEM) Development



NAVD88: North American Vertical Datum of 1988

# Coastal Study – Details



## Legend

- USACE (2011)
- SJRWMD (1993)
- NOS (1958)
- NOAA (Varies)

*Same Area, Different Data Sources, Survey Dates, and Data Extents*

# Coastal Study – Details

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- **Mesh development**
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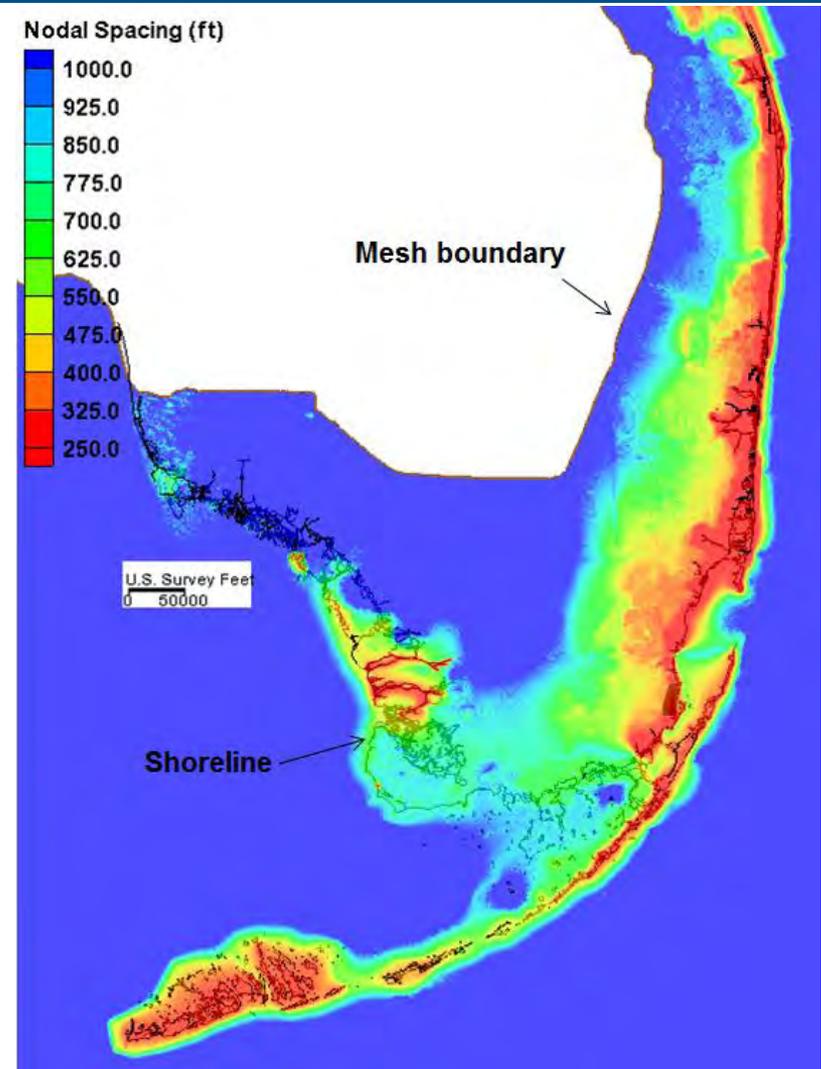
# Hurricane Model Mesh



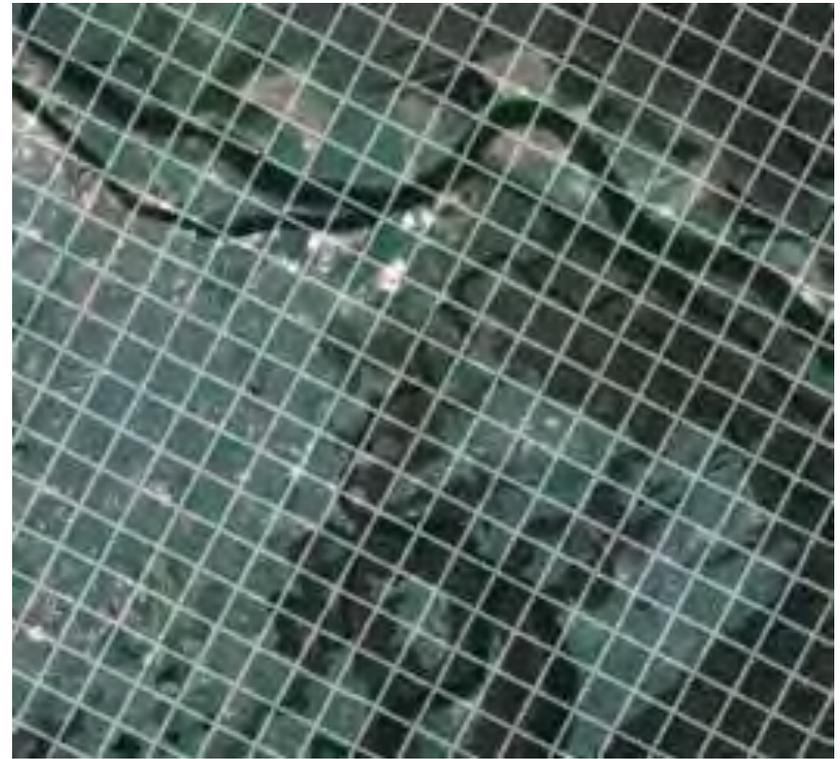
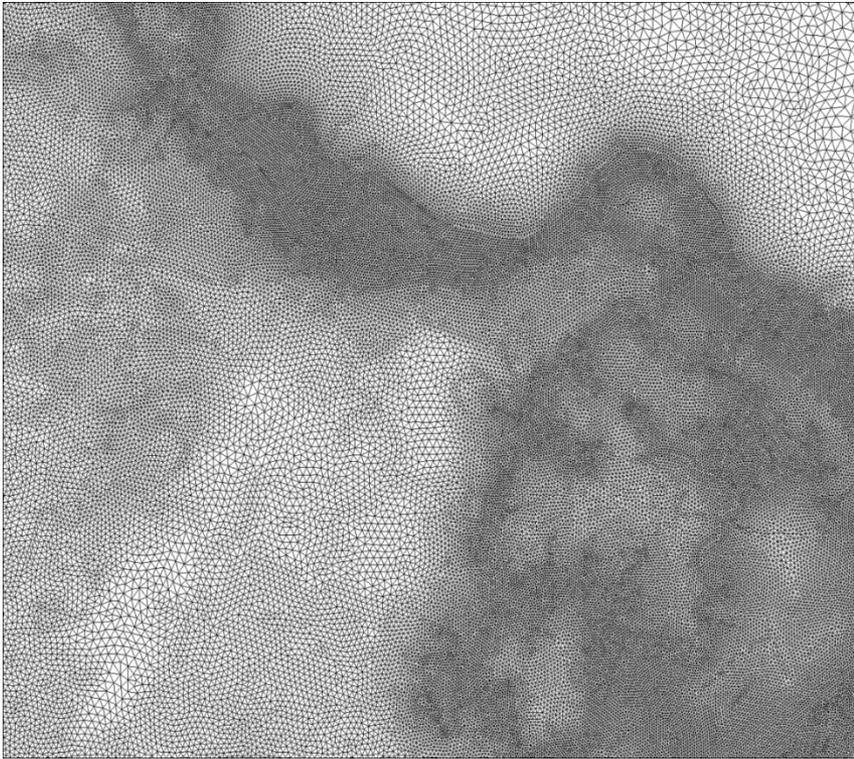
# Coastal Study – Details

## SFL Mesh Grid Resolution

- Resolution down to 50 ft in some areas
- High population density leads to complex road networks to capture
- Extensive canal systems

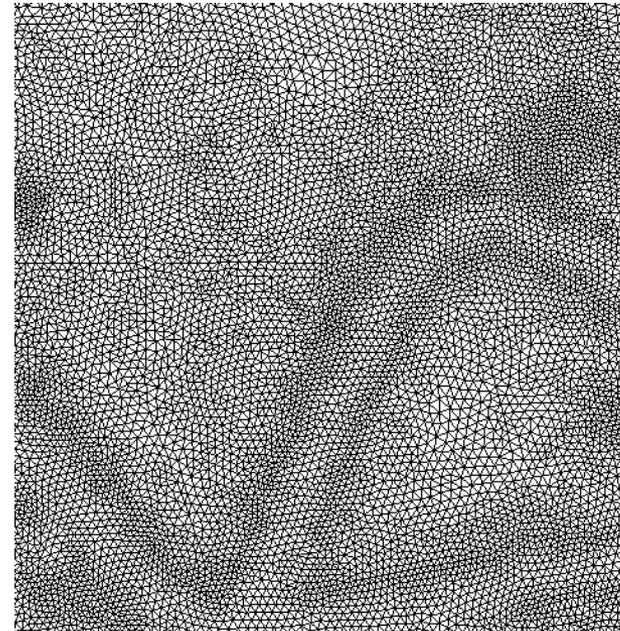
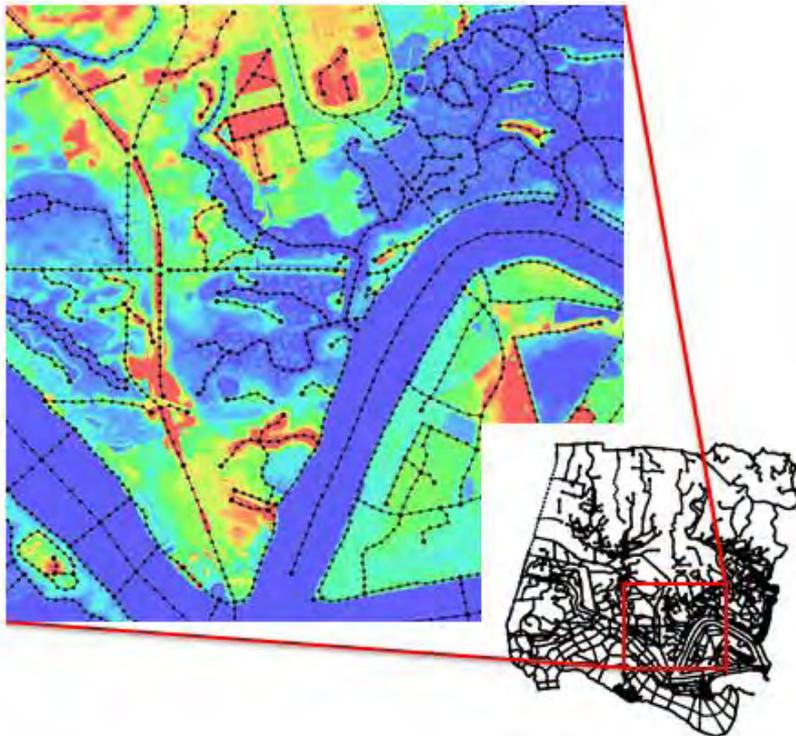


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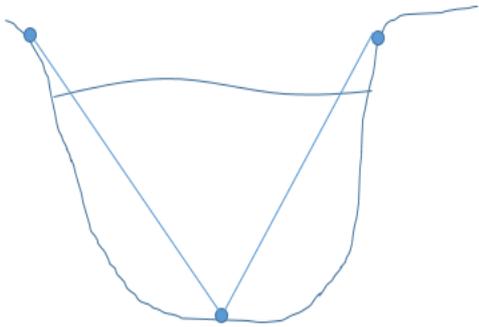


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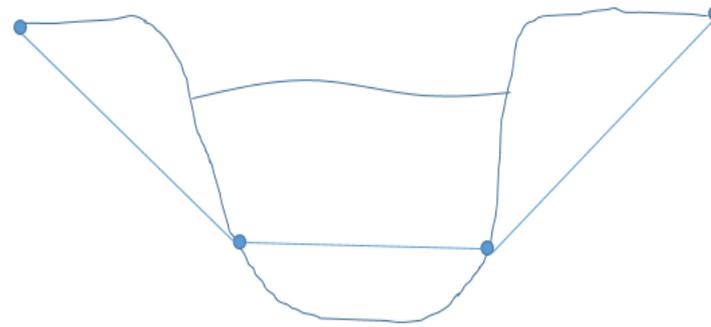
- Node spacing set to accurately represent topography/bathymetry
- Applies “feature arcs” to represent elevated or depressed features (e.g., roads or channels)



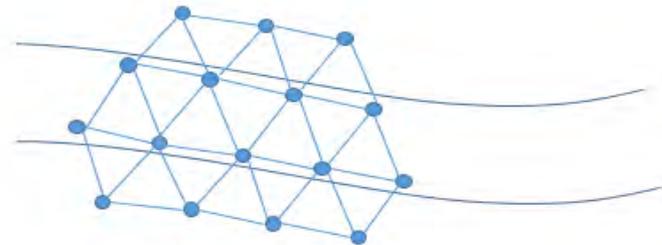
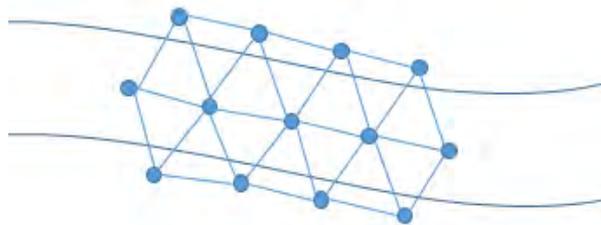
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v-notch

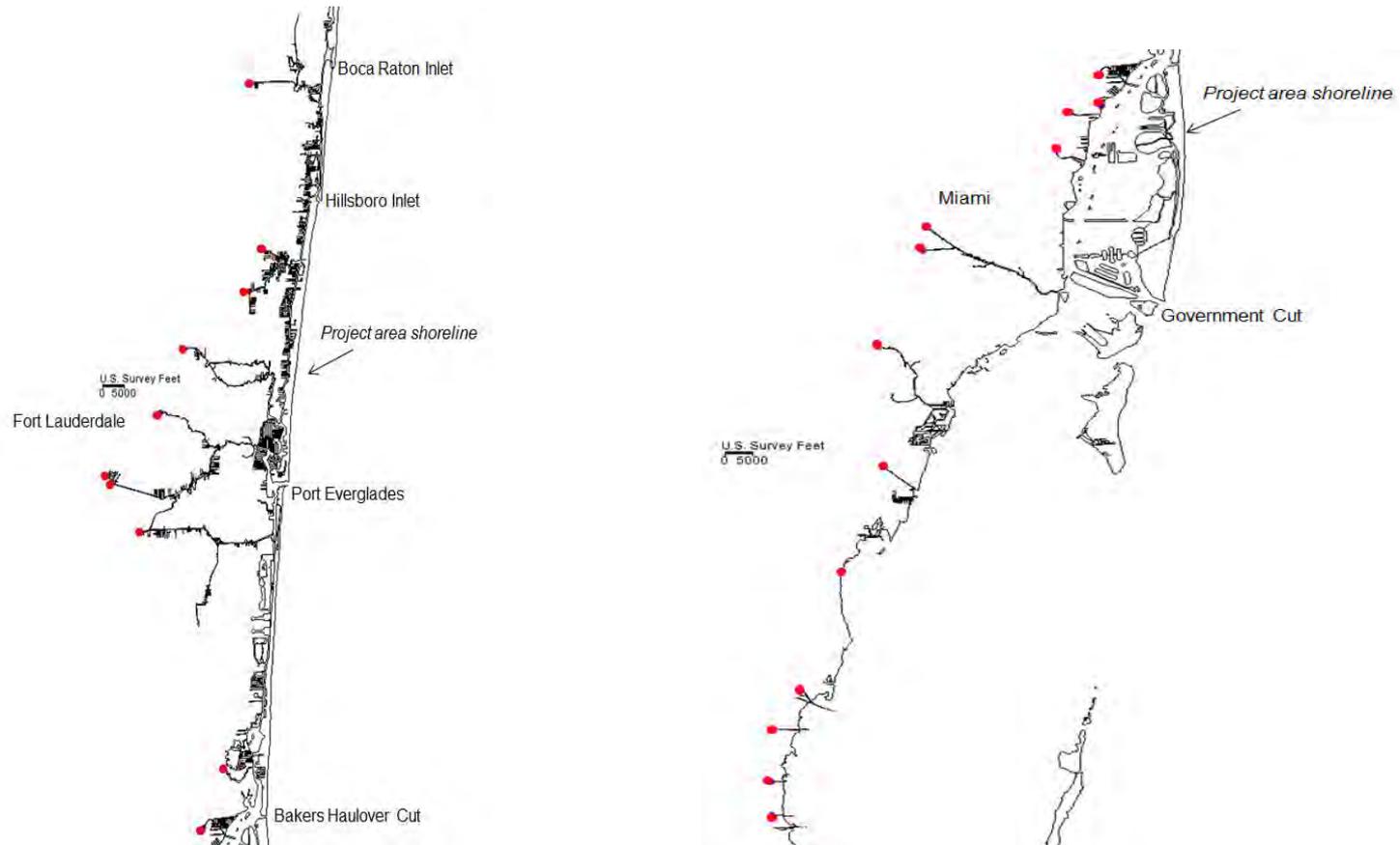


one element across channel

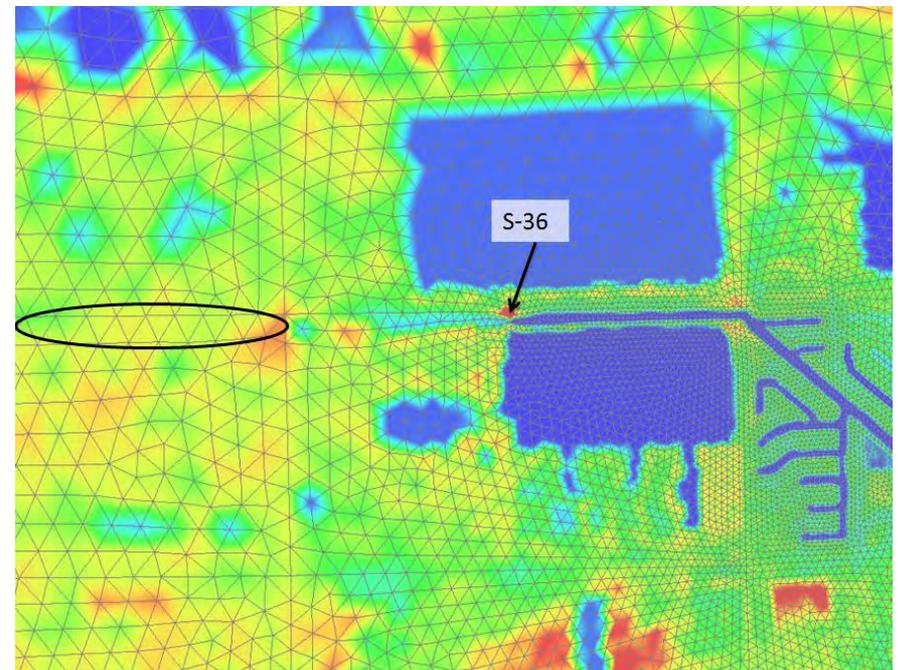
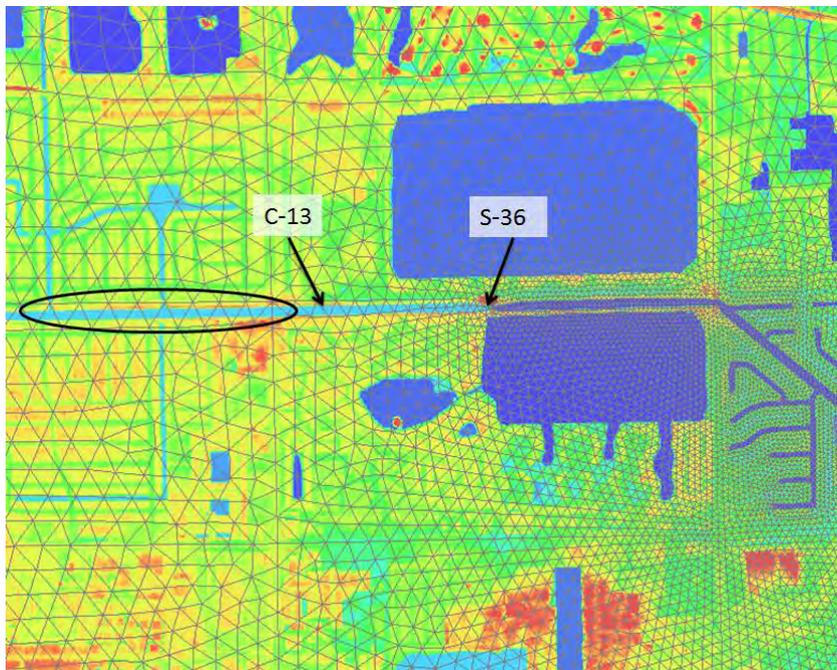


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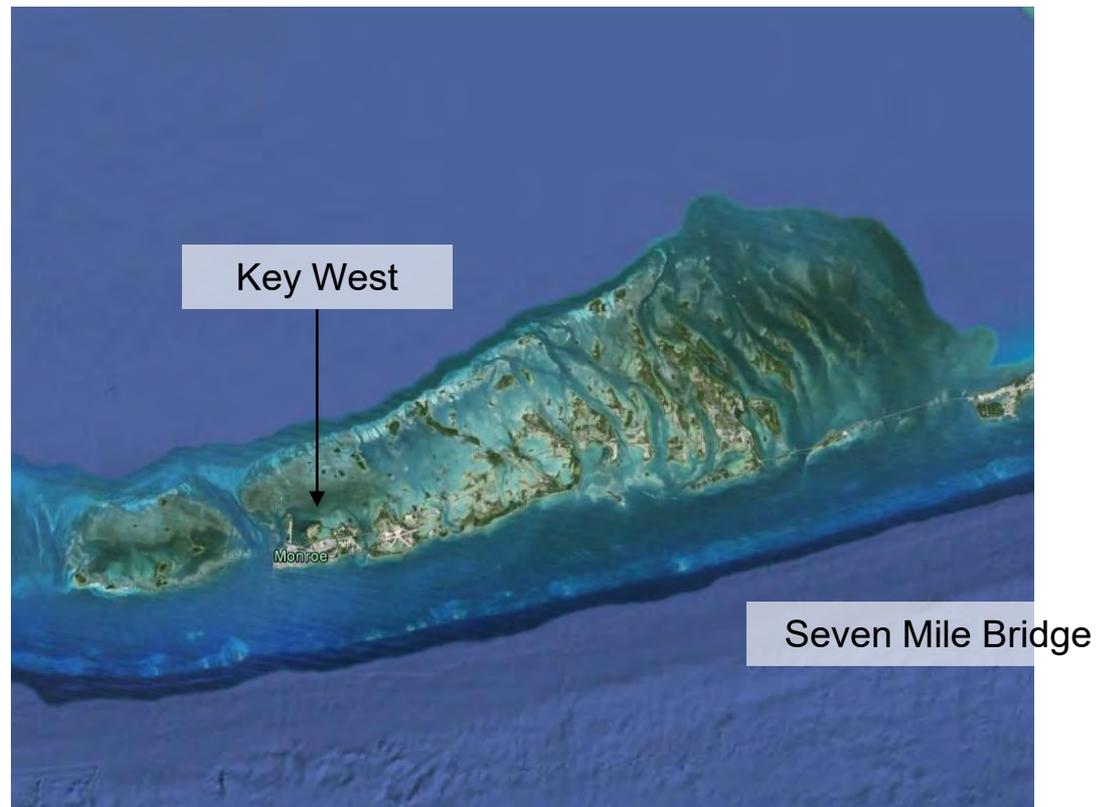
## Bathymetric mesh – SFWMD control structures



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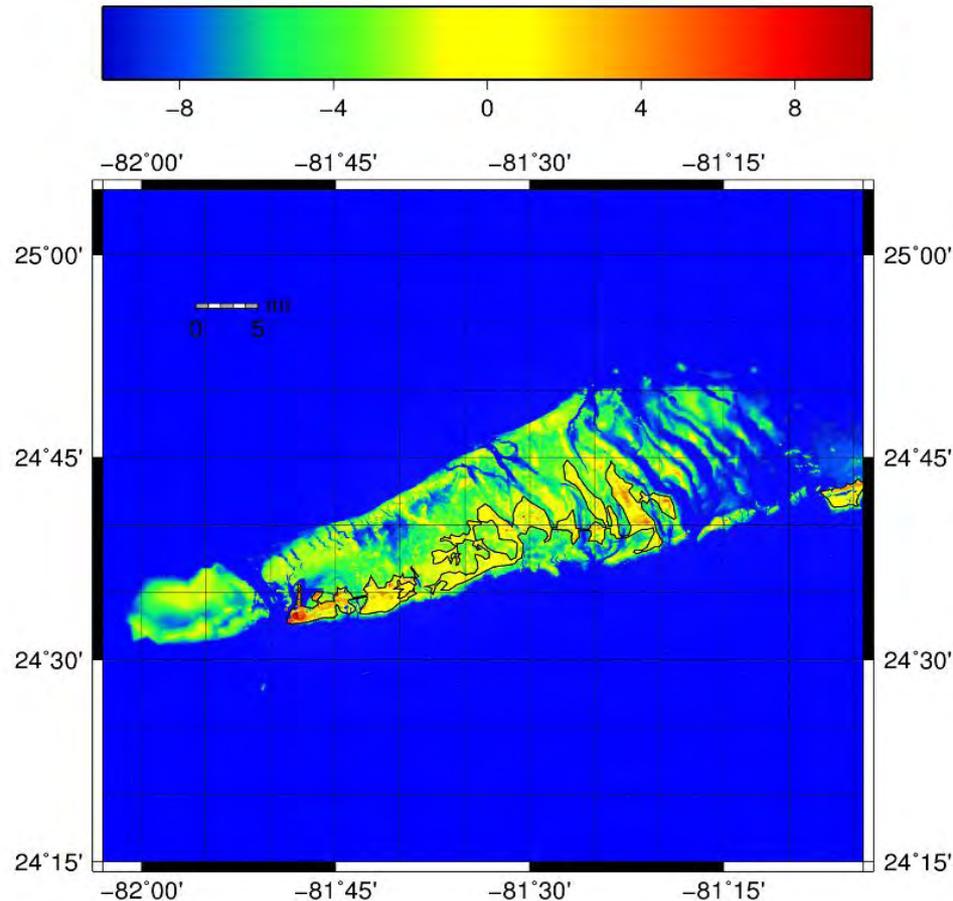


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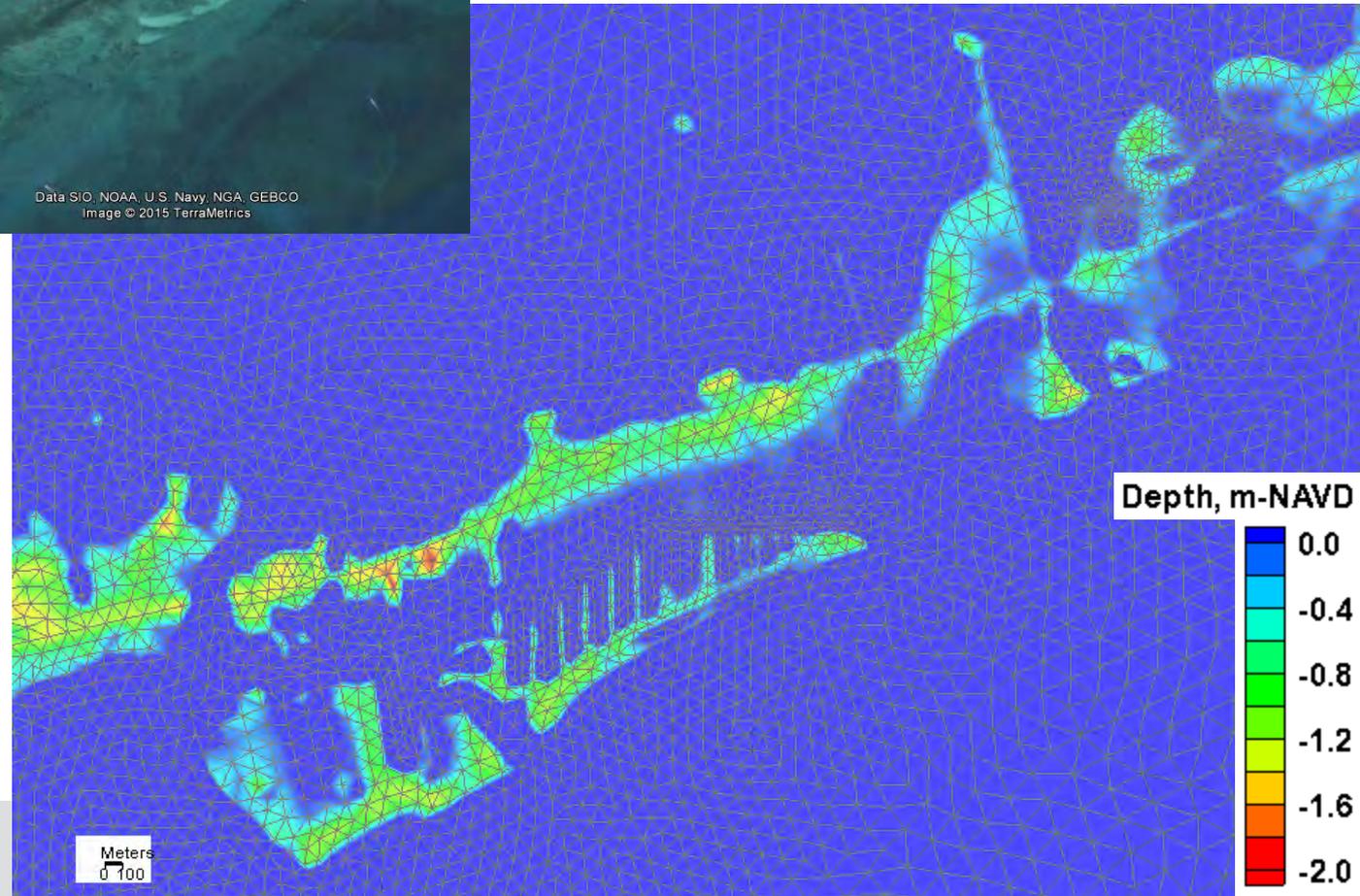
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## SWAN+ADCIRC Mesh – Lower Keys



Elevation, ft-NAVD

# Marathon



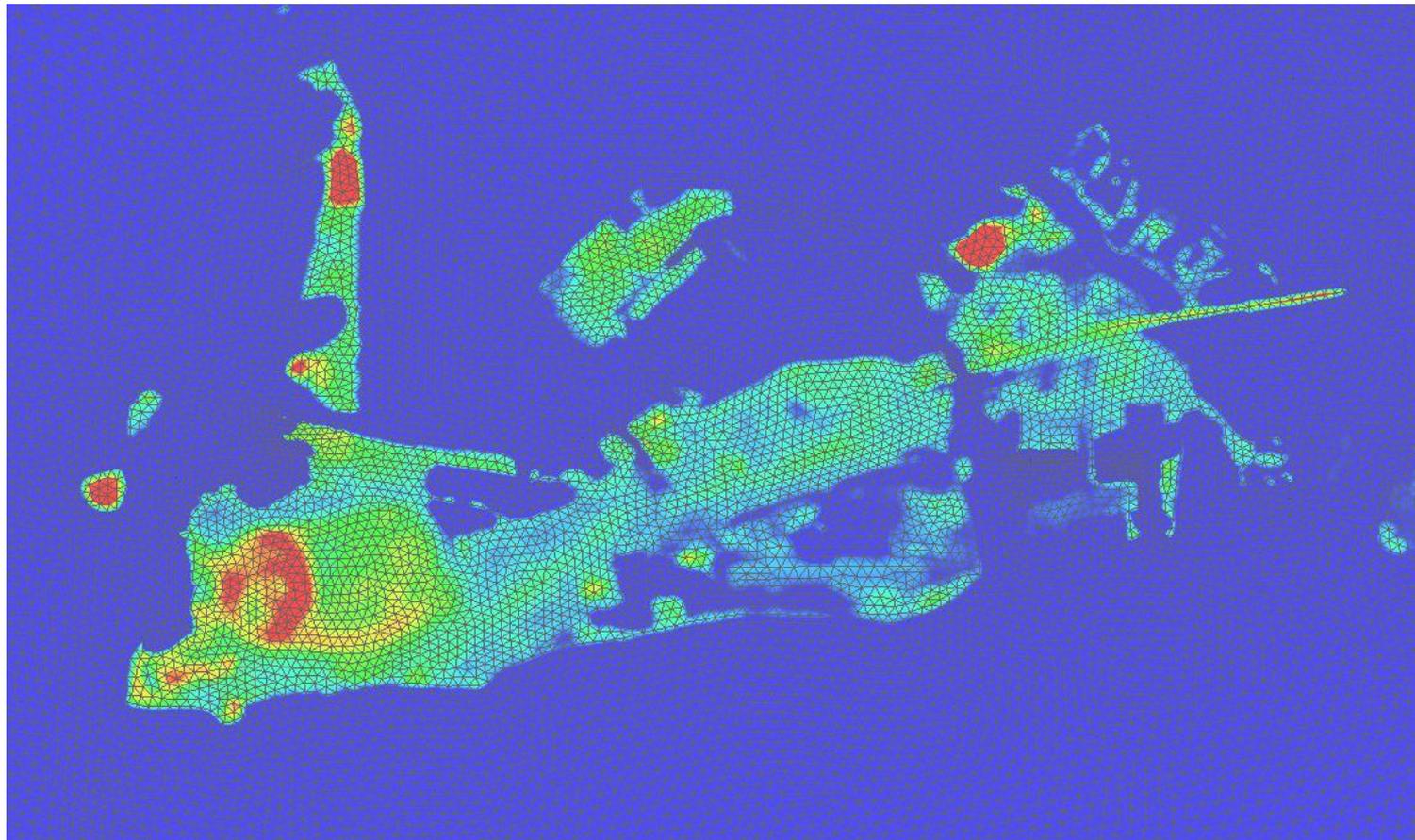
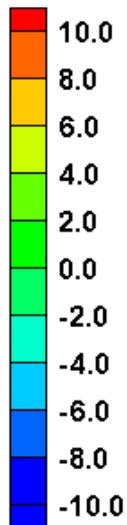
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Key West, FL

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SWAN+ADCIRC Mesh – Key West, FL

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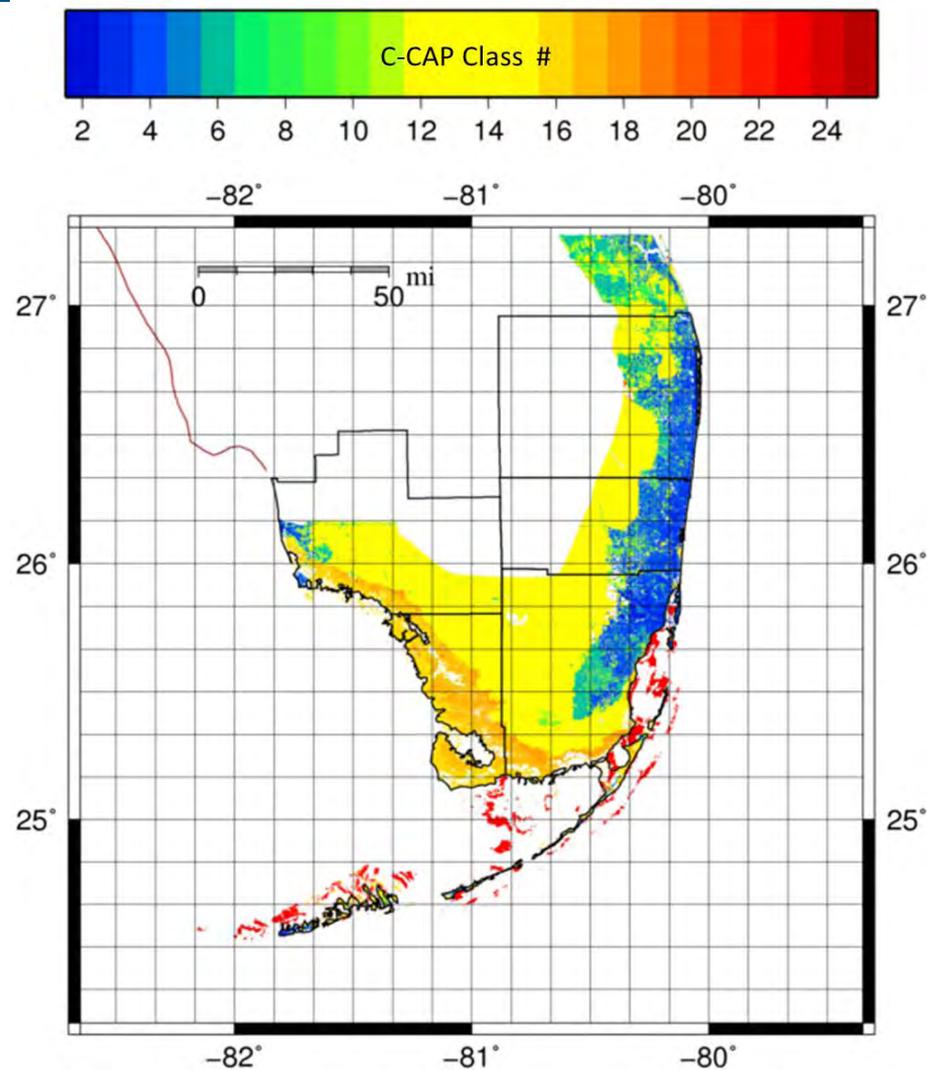
## Land Classification Data

- Need large-coverage data sets to provide consistent and comprehensive land cover data
- NOAA, EPA, USGS work together to develop Coastal Change Analysis Program (C-CAP) data
  - 25 categories of land cover
  - emphasis given to more detailed, up-to-date wetland information than currently available in other national land cover products

# Coastal Study – Details

## Land Classification Data

Class No.	Land Cover	% Land Class in Study Area
0	Background	-
1	Unclassified	-
2	High Intensity Developed	1.8
3	Medium Intensity Developed	5.6
4	Low Intensity Developed	8.6
5	Open Spaces Developed	3.9
6	Cultivated Land	4.1
7	Pasture/Hay	1.3
8	Grassland	0.5
9	Deciduous Forest	0.0
10	Evergreen Forest	0.9
11	Mixed Forest	0.1
12	Scrub/Shrub	0.6
13	Palustrine Forested Wetland	10.6
14	Palustrine Scrub/Shrub Wetland	4.4
15	Palustrine Emergent Wetland	33.9
16	Estuarine Forested Wetland	9.1
17	Estuarine Scrub/Shrub Wetland	4.3
18	Estuarine Emergent Wetland	3.7
19	Unconsolidated Shore	0.0
20	Bare Land	0.4
21	Water	0.0
22	Palustrine Aquatic Bed	6.1
23	Estuarine Aquatic Bed	0.0



# Coastal Study – Details

## Land Classification Data

- Working to improve methods to quantify land cover effects on storm surge
- Team member UCF
  - Lidar-based assessment of vegetation
  - Field-based measurement of vegetation features
  - Provide sensitivity study for validation models

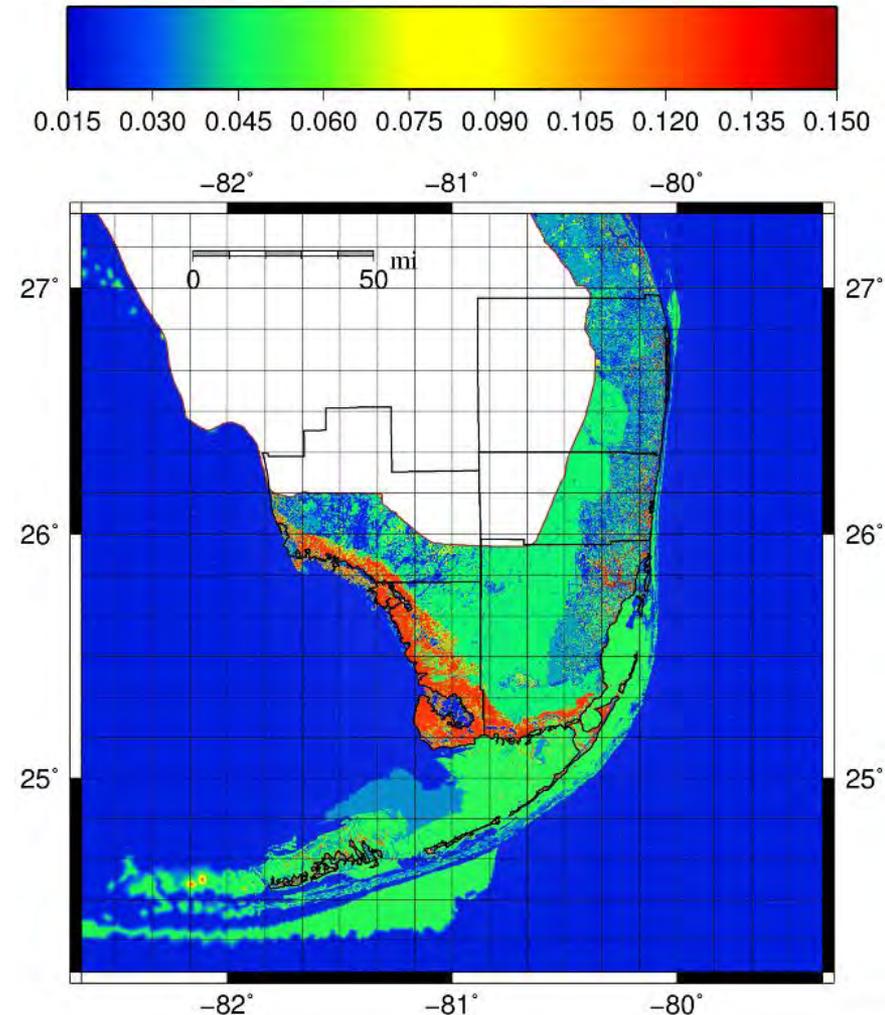


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## Land Classification Data

- Seagrass and hardbottom in Biscayne Bay and the keys

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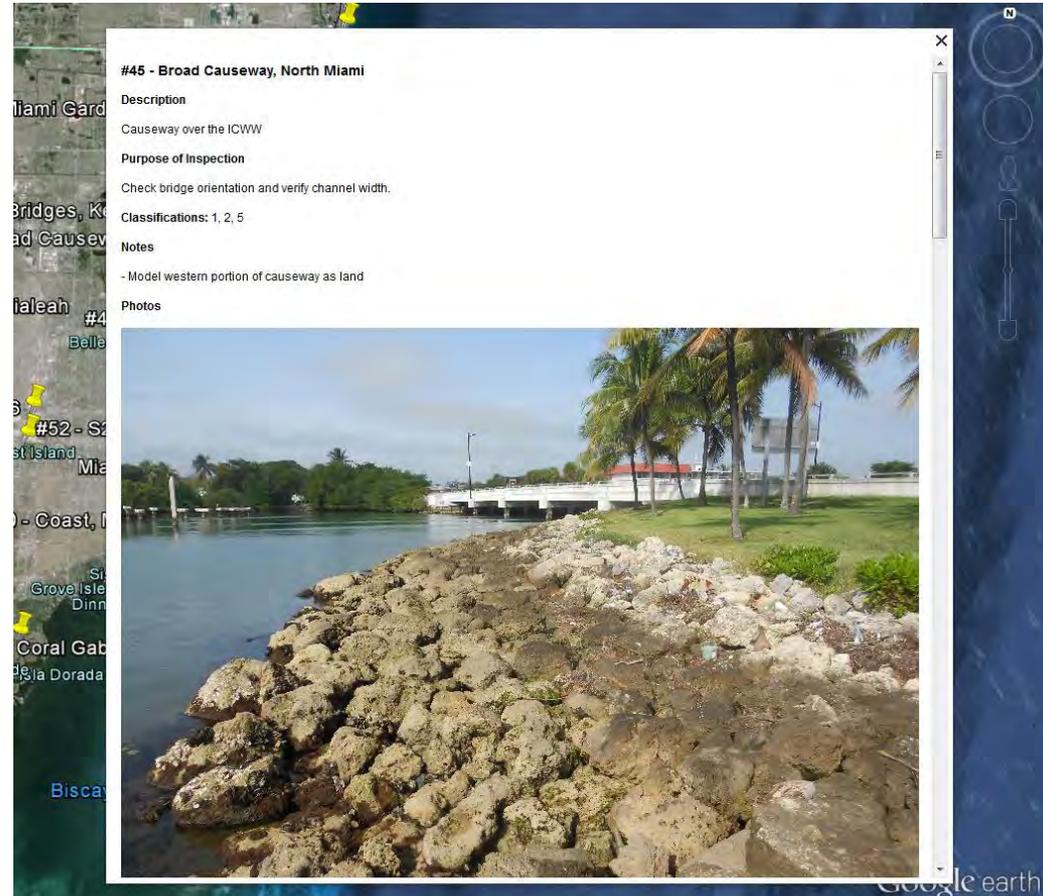
## Site Reconnaissance Effort

- Field reconnaissance completed at 89 locations
- Sites categorized into five classes:
  1. surge conveyance pathways and four classes of raised features;
  2. other man-made embankments (roads, railroads, and bridge approaches);
  3. flood protection and other hydraulic control structures;
  4. natural topographic features (including dunes);
  5. shoreline features (shoals, breakwaters, jetties, groins, beach nourishments)

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## Site Reconnaissance Effort

- Create Google Earth dataset to catalog locations, notes, and photos
- Apply this data during mesh refinement stage



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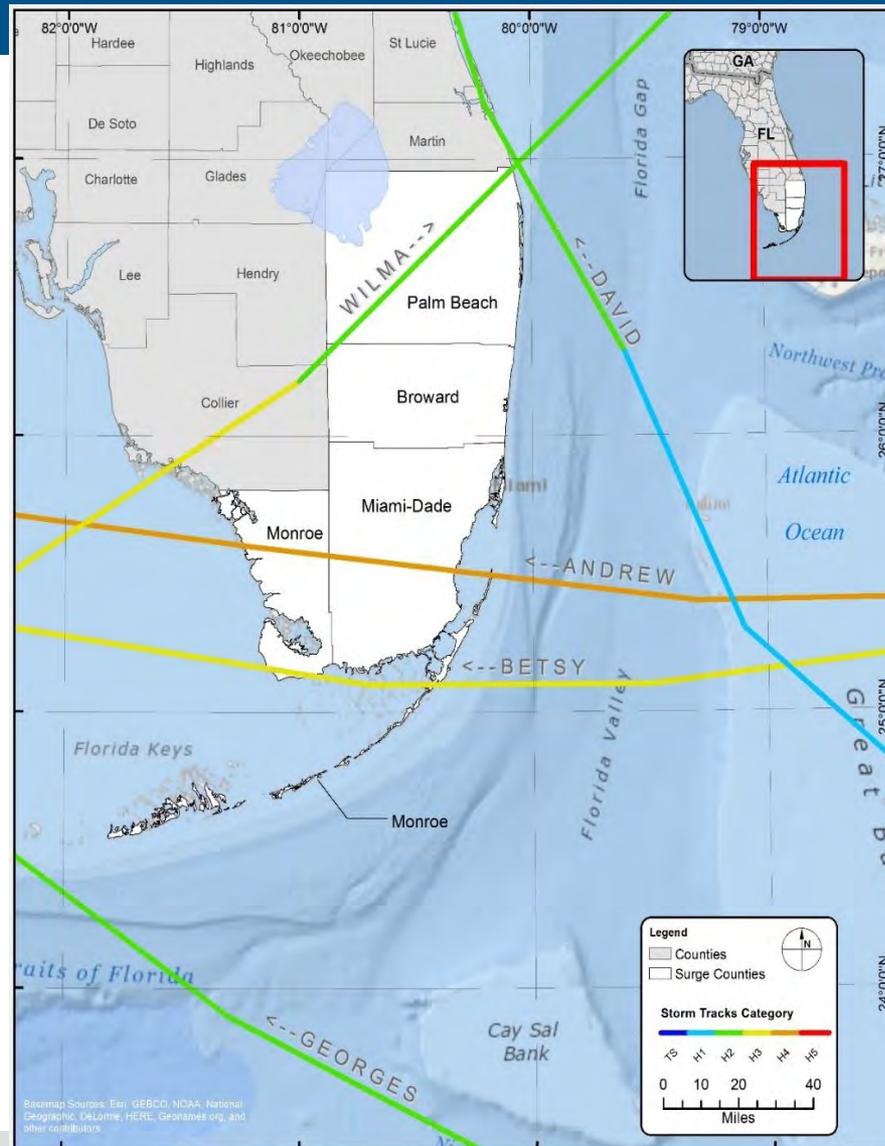
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- JPM - reasonable method to statistically represent storm parameters consistent with local climatology
- Use a coarse ADCIRC mesh (60,000 nodes) to run large number of storms
- USACE method of Optimal Sampling minimizes number of storms represented in final storm suite while maintaining sufficient accuracy

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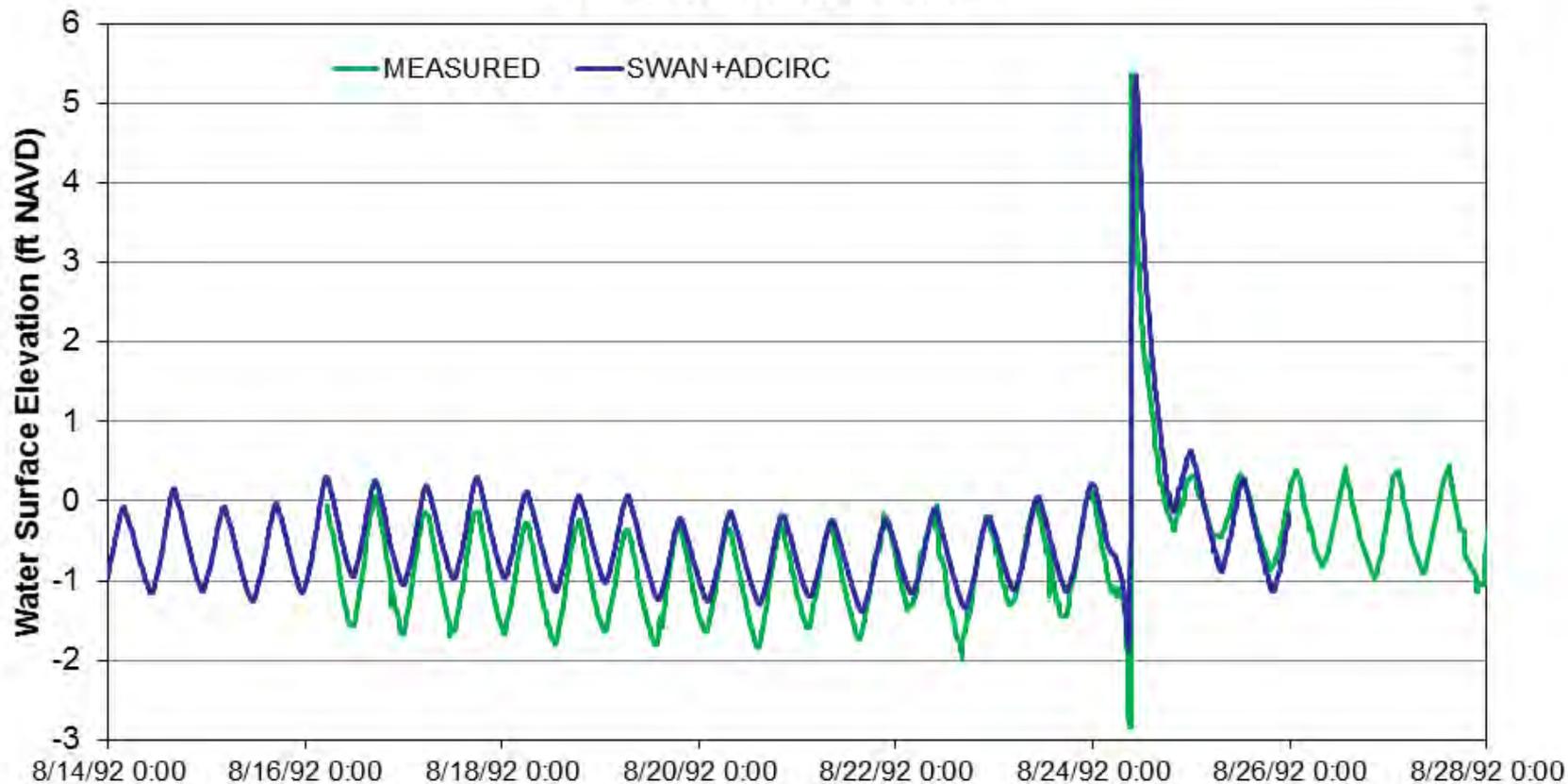
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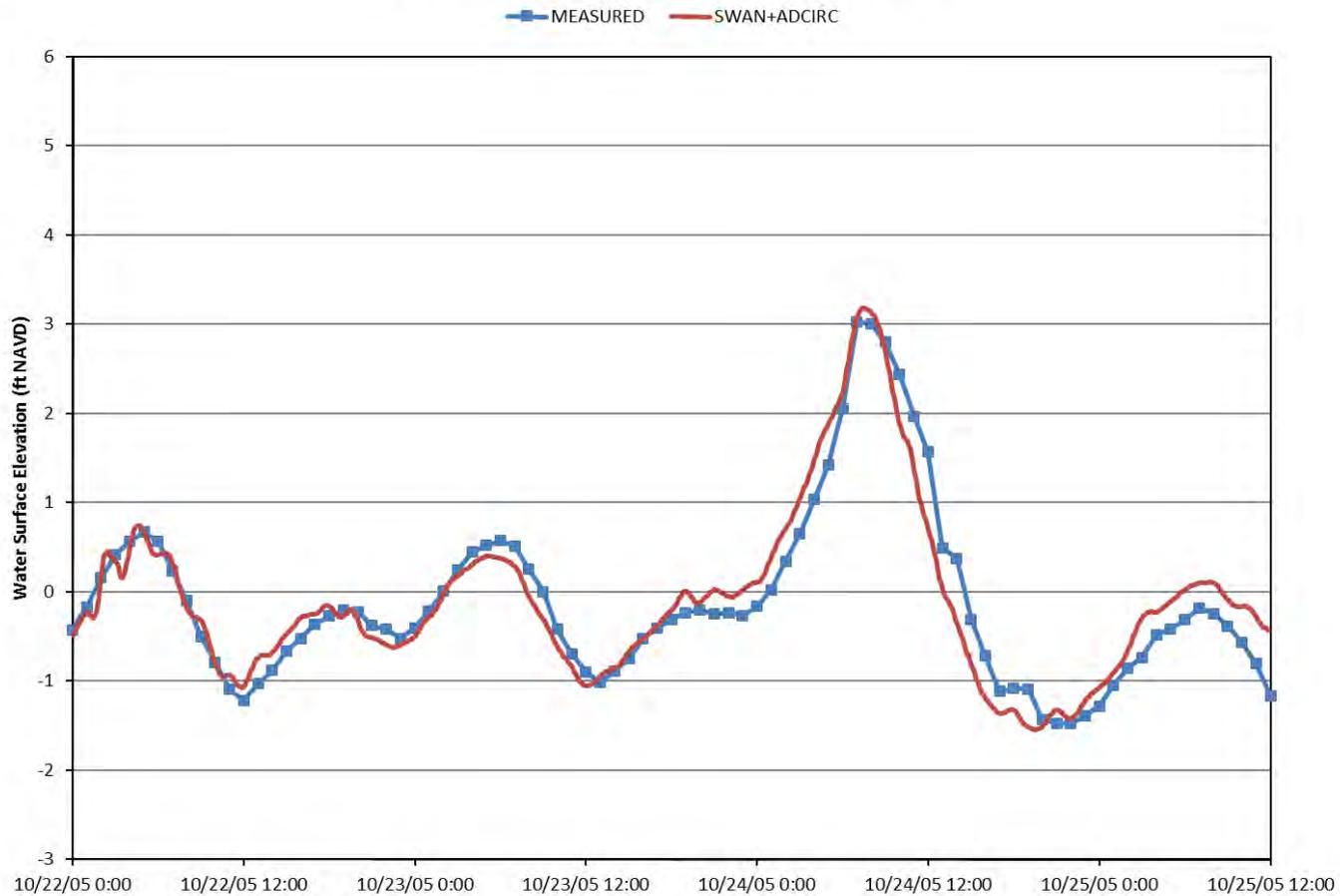
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Andrew, S21\_T Station



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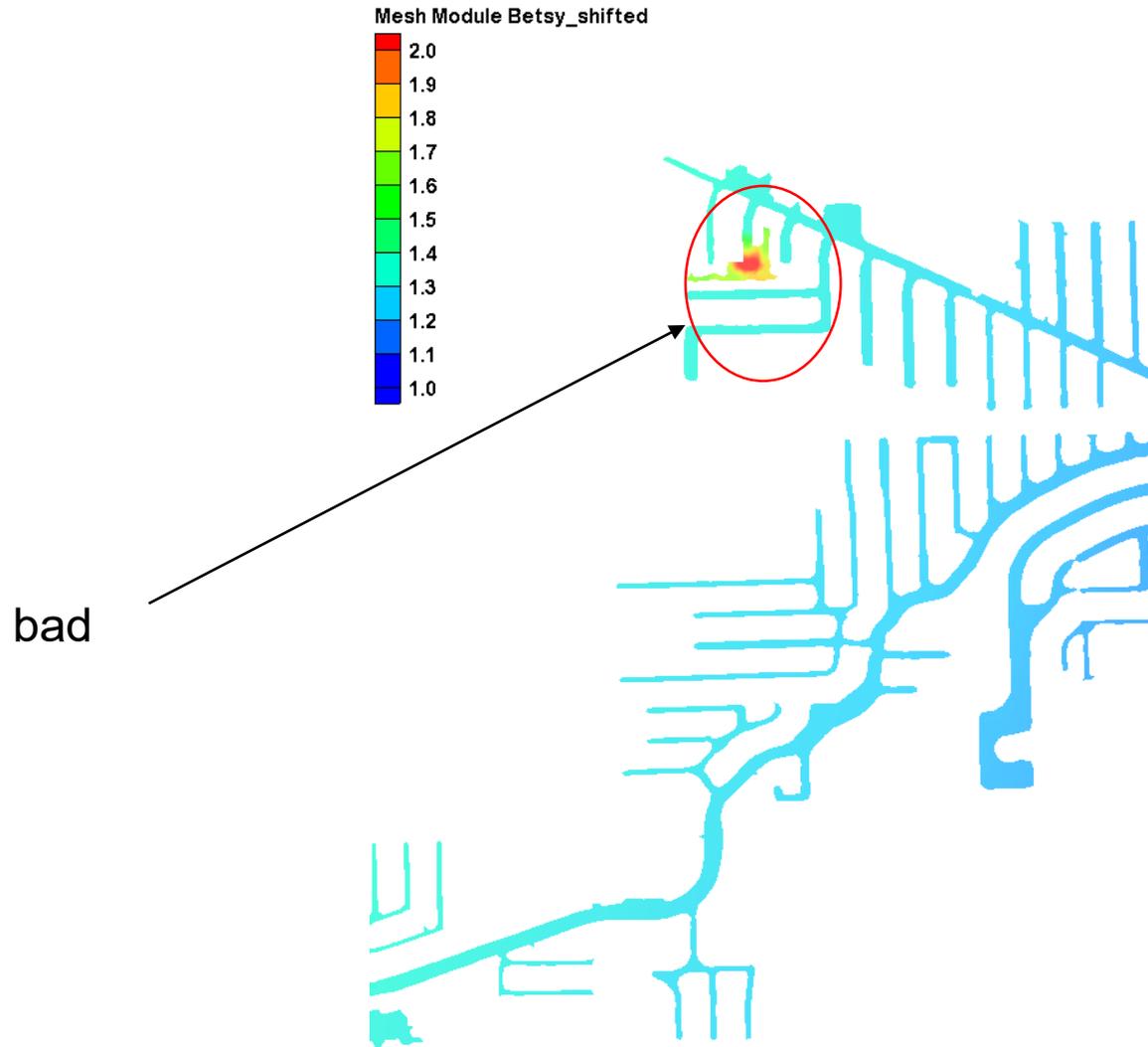
Wilma, 8724580 (Key West) Station



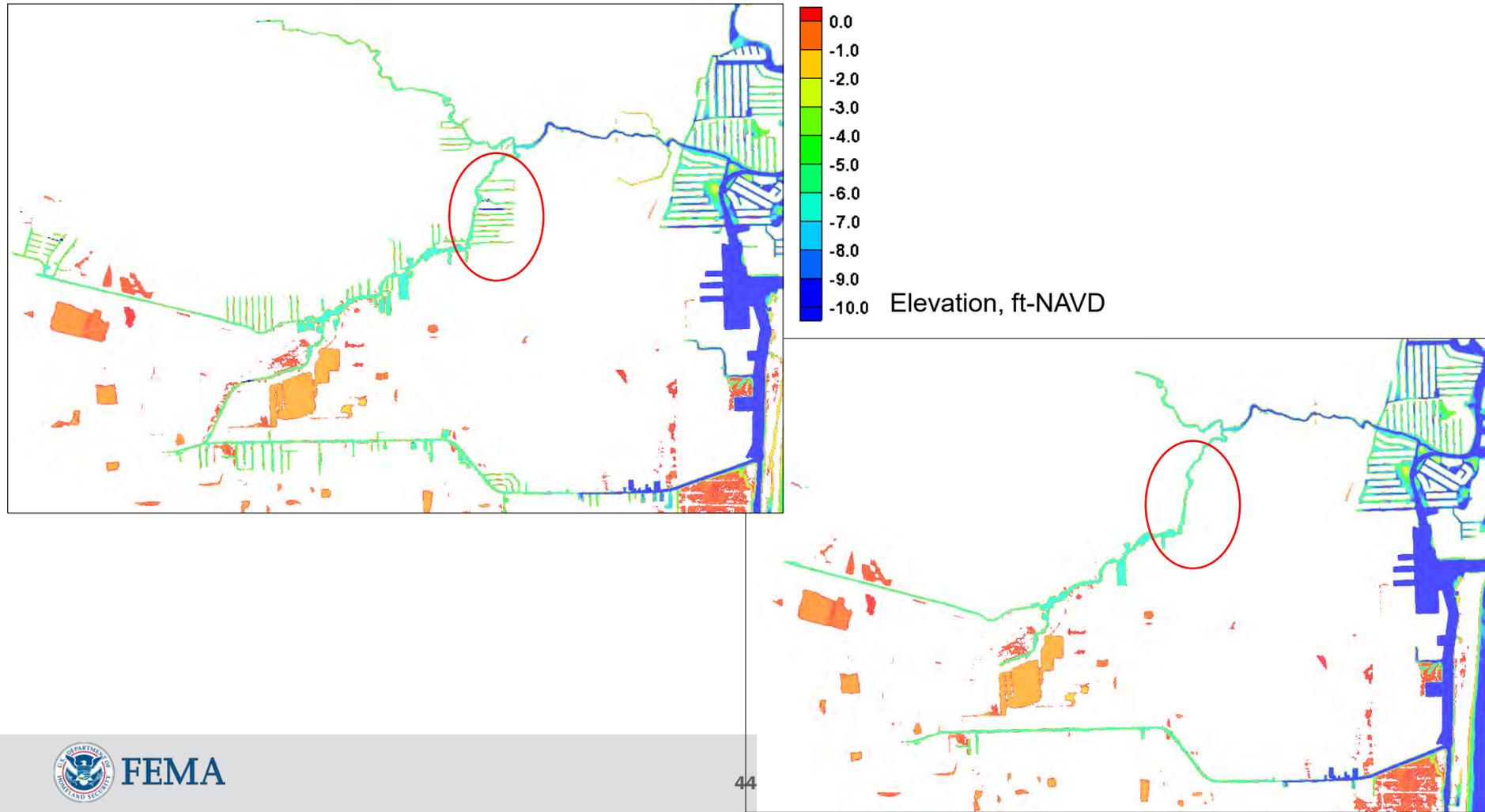
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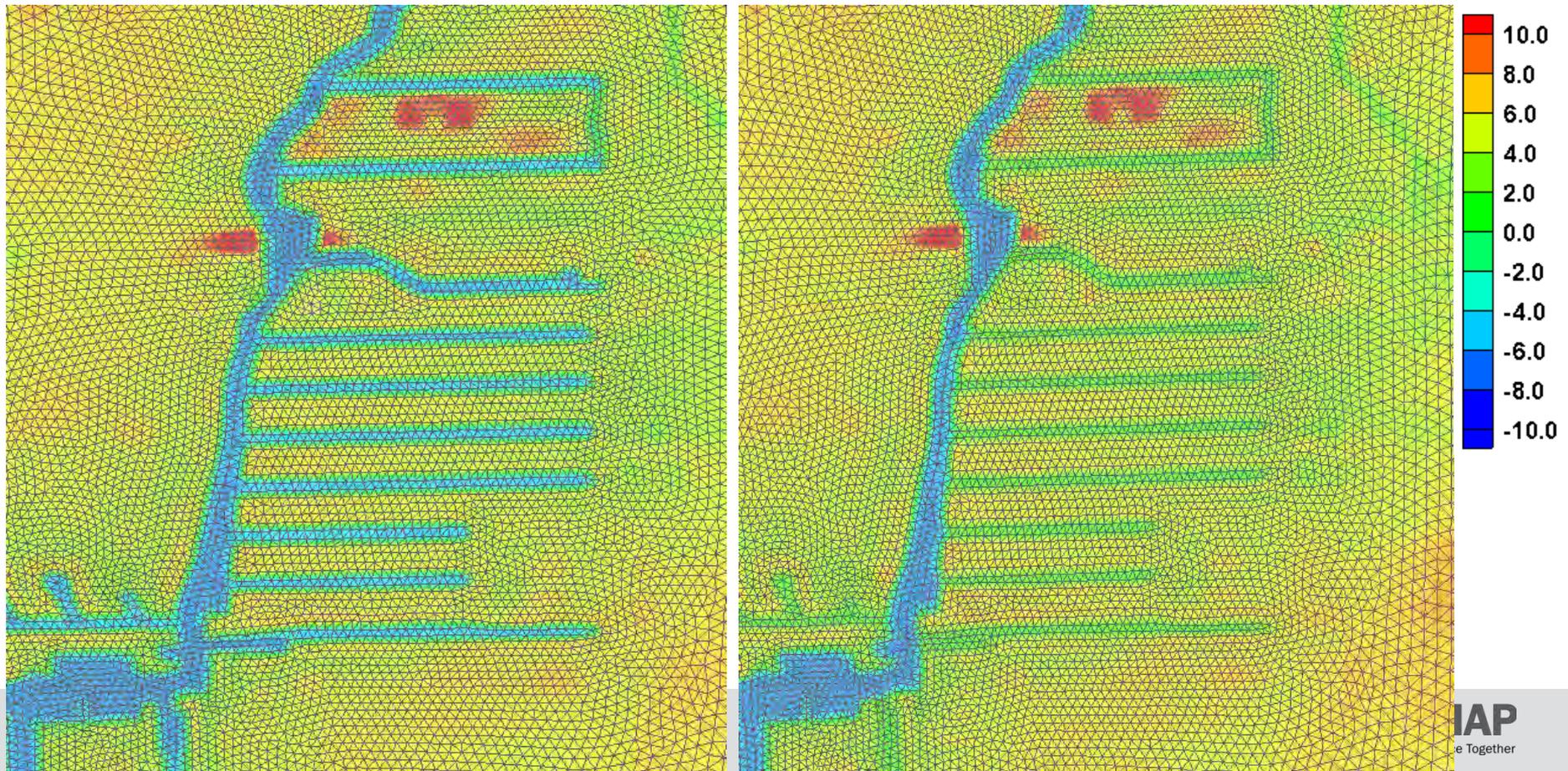


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Elevation, ft-NAVD



# Coastal Study – Details

- FEMA coastal study of South Florida underway
- SWAN+ADCIRC model with 2.3 million nodes uses seamless bathy-topo DEM
- Land cover data, field reconnaissance data incorporated into model mesh development
- Current work
  - JPM-OS production storm suite
  - Validation
  - Canal sensitivity

# Southeast FL Coastal Study – Process

Discovery



Data Acquisition



Coastal Engineering Analyses



Floodplain Mapping

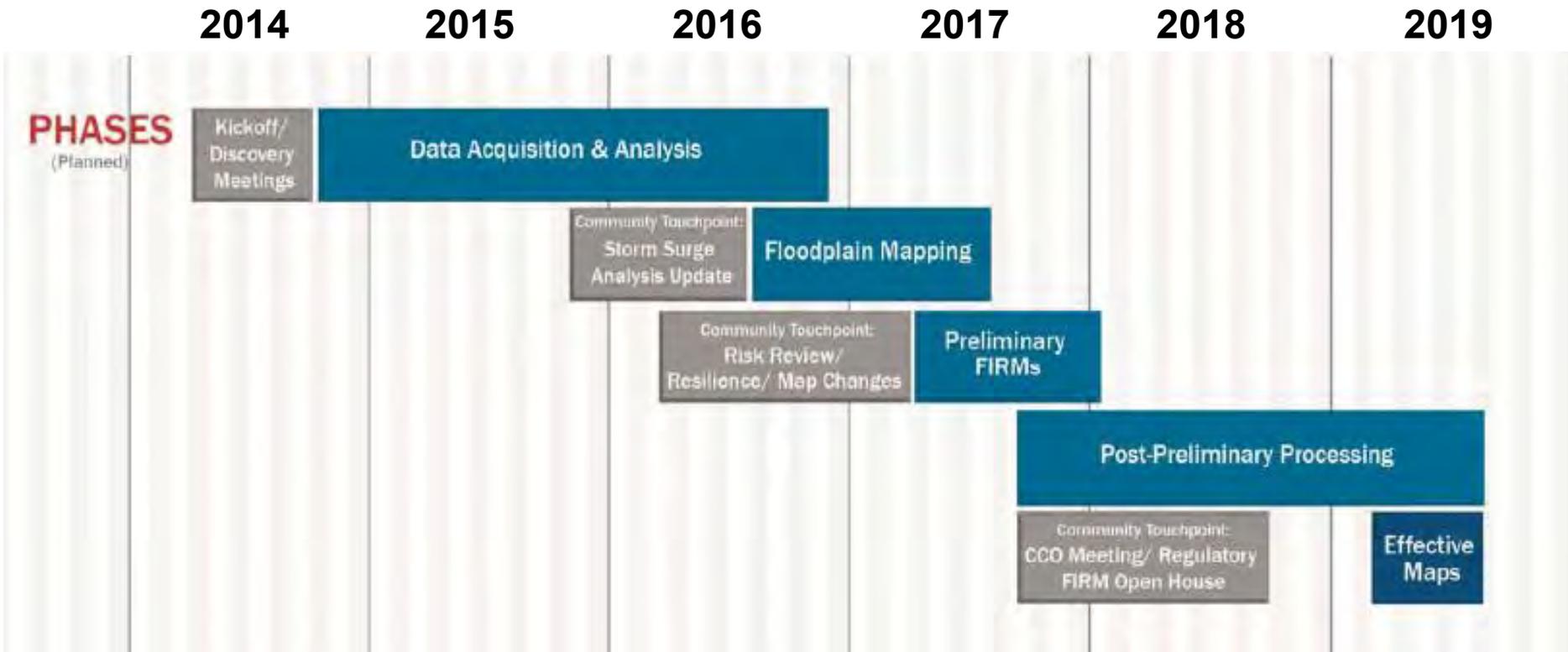


Produce Preliminary Flood Insurance Rate Maps



Post-Preliminary Processing

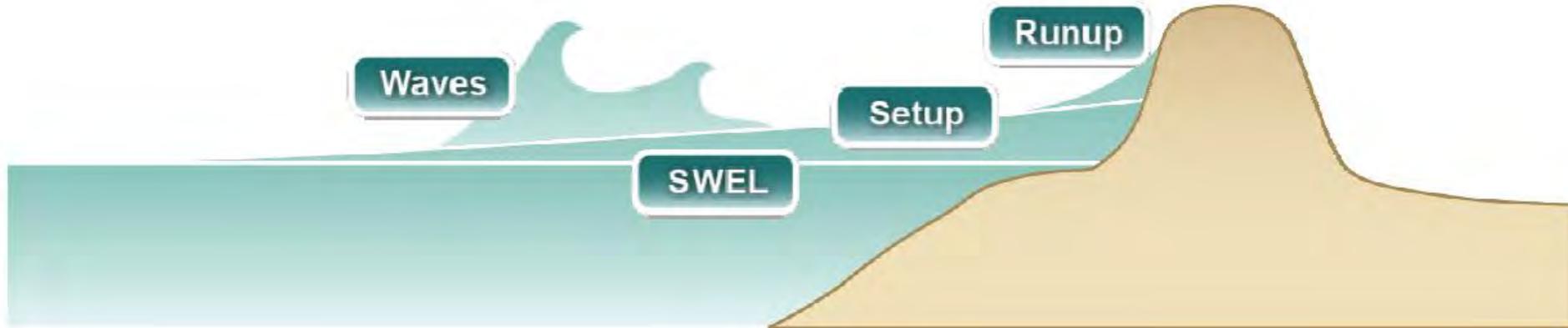
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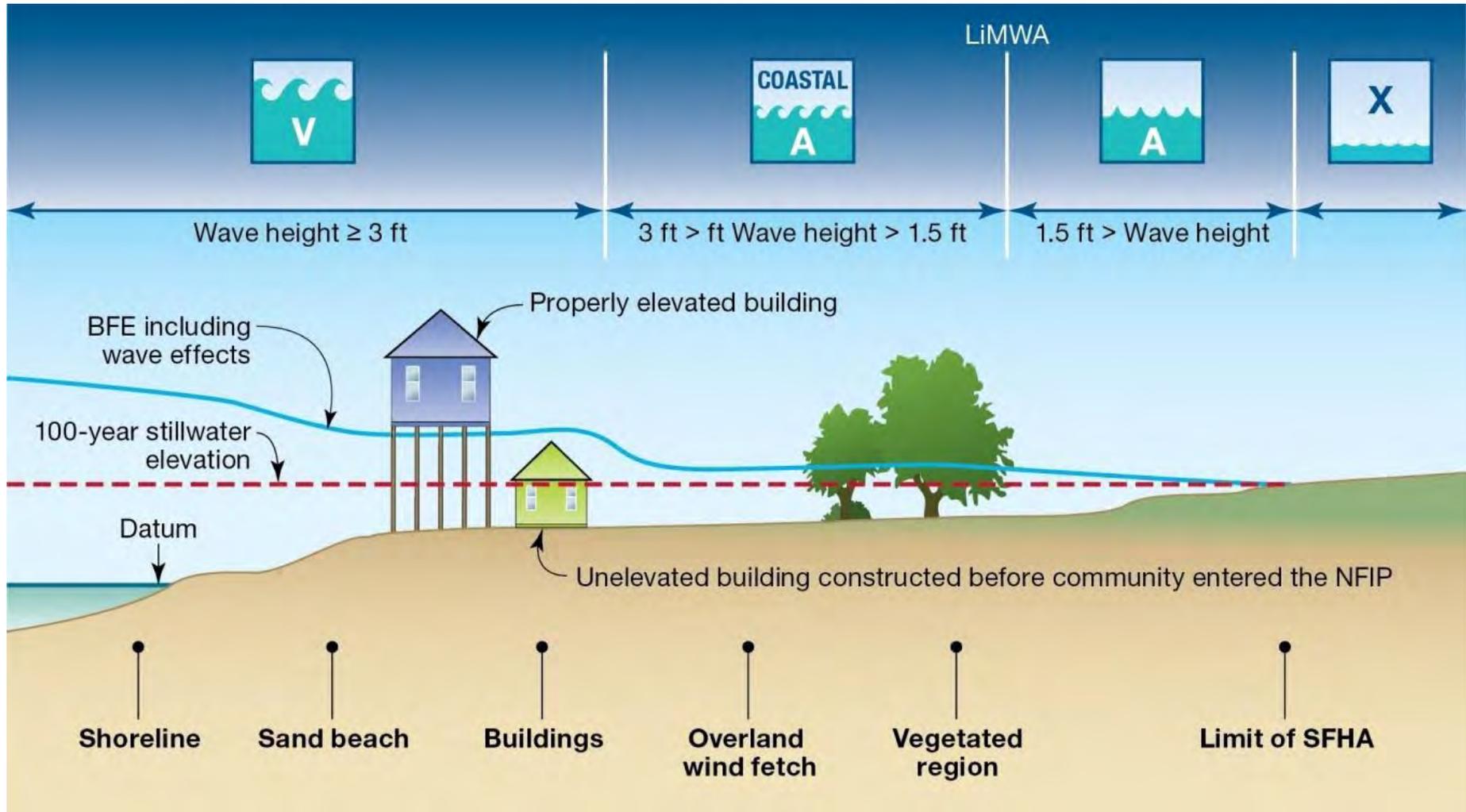
# Basic Elements of a Coastal Flood Risk Study

Base Flood Elevation (BFE) on FIRM includes 4 components:

1. Storm surge stillwater elevation (SWEL)
  2. Amount of wave setup
  3. Wave height above storm surge (SWEL) elevation
  4. Wave runup above storm surge elevation (where present)
- } Determined from storm surge model

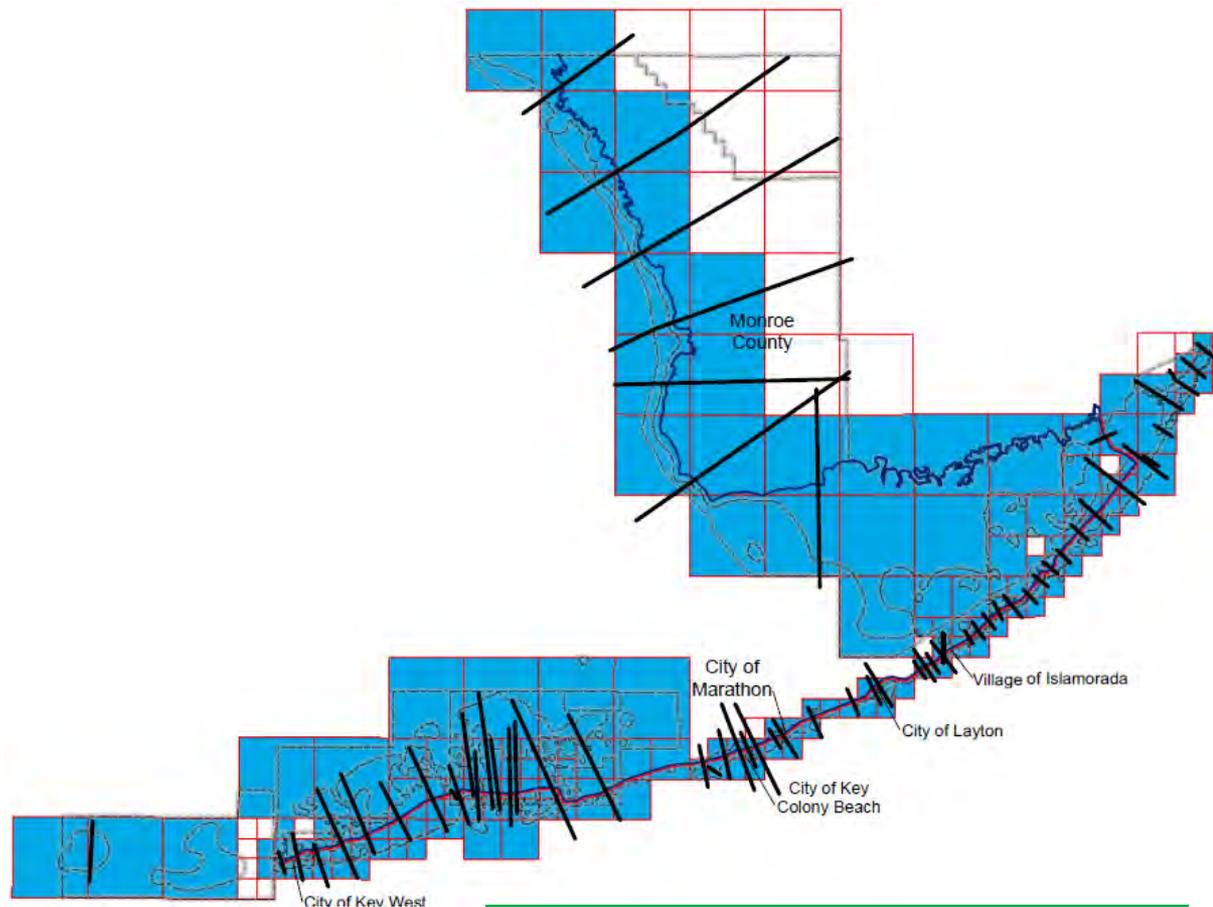


# Southeast Florida Coastal Study – Floodplain Mapping



# Southeast FL Coastal Study – Monroe of Work

<b>Shoreline Miles</b>	<b>120</b>
<b>Estimated WHAFIS Transects</b>	<b>360</b>
<b>Transects Per Mile</b>	<b>3</b>
<b>Estimated Panels</b>	<b>160</b>
<b>Communities</b>	<b>6</b>



**Effective transects shown**

# Southeast Florida Coastal Study – Community Meetings

Community Meetings

**Discovery Kick-Off Meeting**

**Discovery Meeting  
Technical Update Meeting**

**Storm Surge Analysis  
Update Meeting**

**Flood Risk Review Meeting**

**Resilience Meeting**

**Preliminary DFIRM  
Community  
Coordination Meeting**

**Public Open Houses**



# Southeast FL Coastal Study – Points of Contact



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