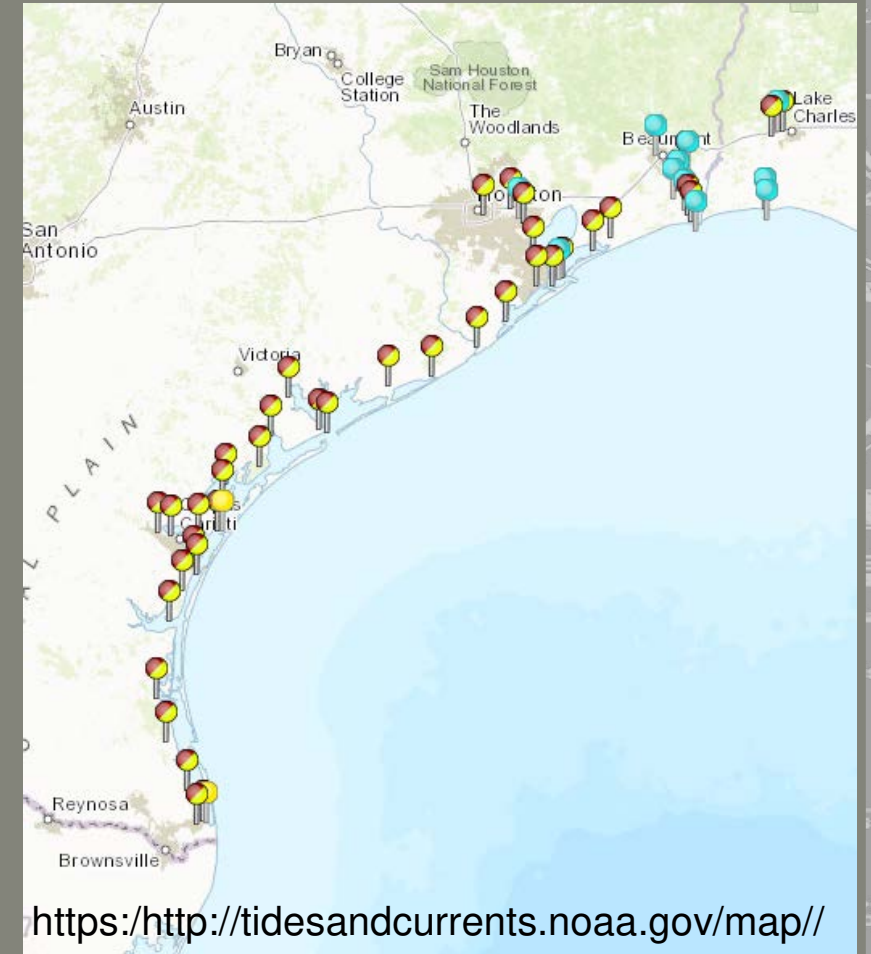


# TEXAS GULF COAST DATA COLLECTION NEEDS

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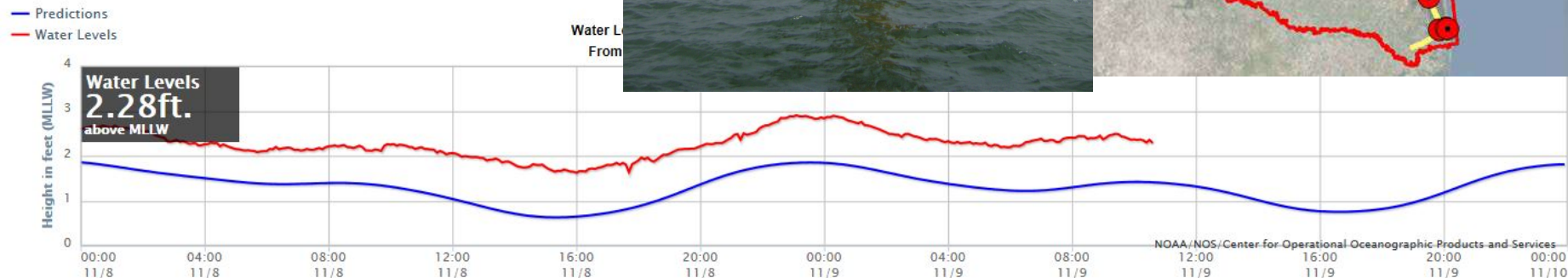
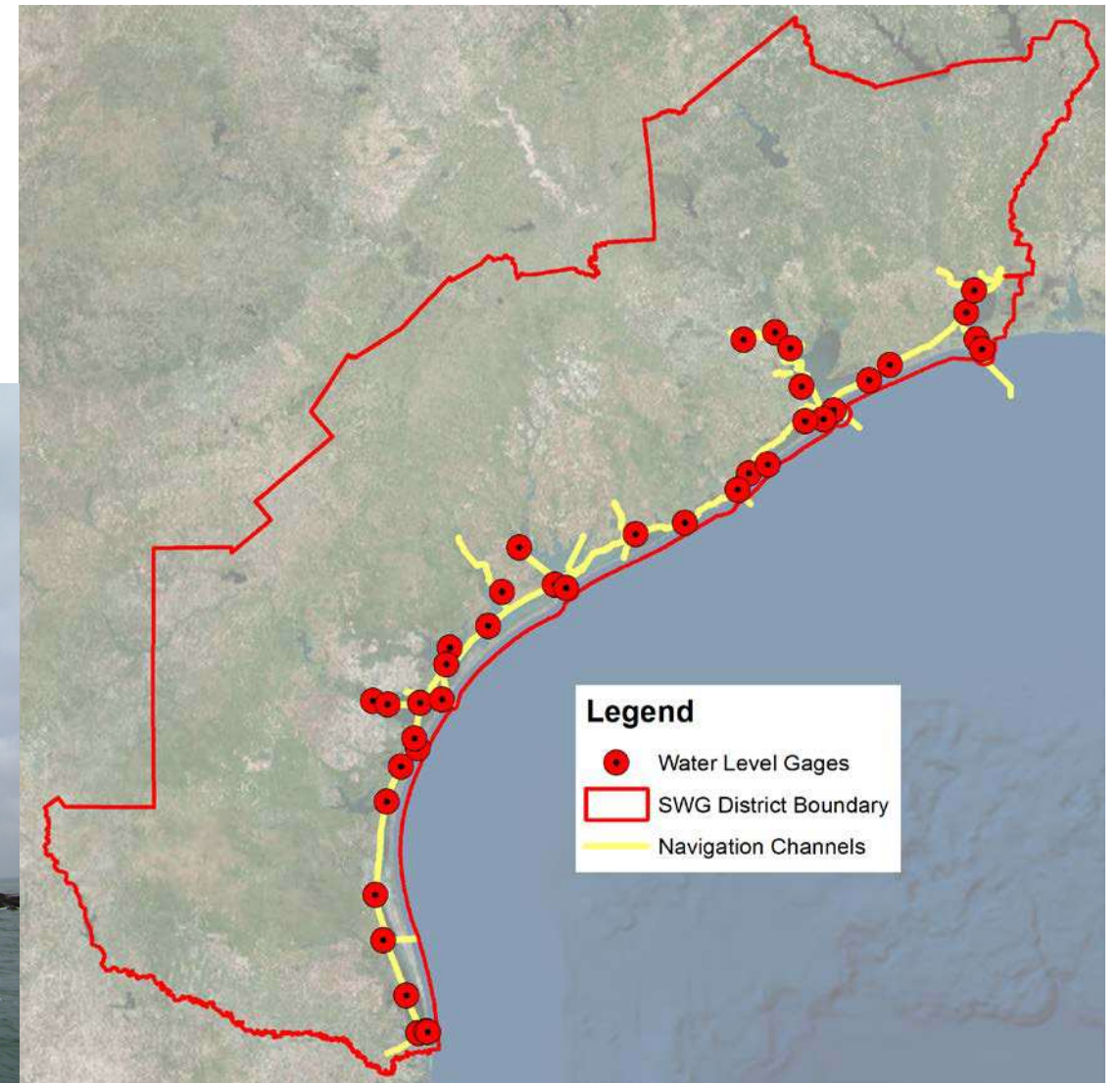
# WHAT DO WE HAVE NOW?

- Tidal Water Level – TCOON
- Stream gages
- Precipitation
- Water quality



# TCOON

- 5-year interagency agreement (USACE/NOAA)
  - Awarded March 2016
- Expansive network throughout Texas
  - 30 stations planned
- Real-time data available
  - Water level
  - Wind speed and direction
  - Temp & Pressure
- Currents - ADP

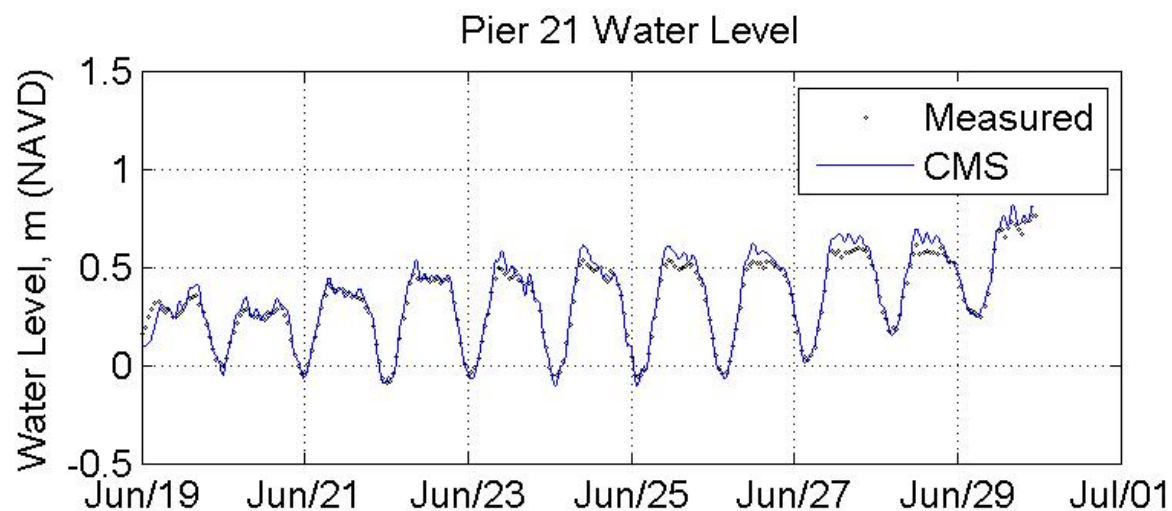
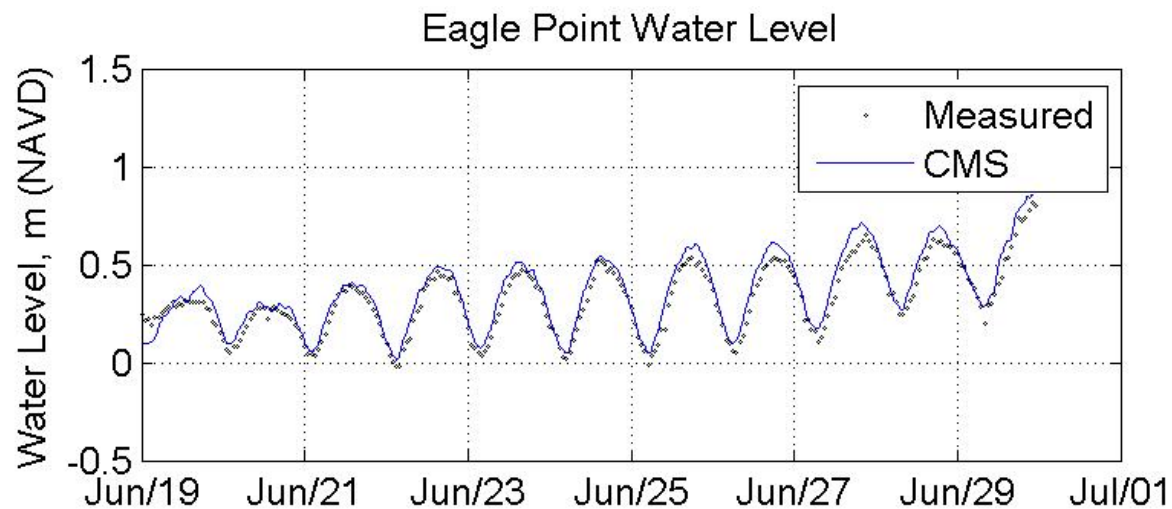


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# EXAMPLE APPLICATION: MODEL VALIDATION/CALIBRATION



ERDC/CHL TR-11-10

Coastal and Hydraulics Laboratory



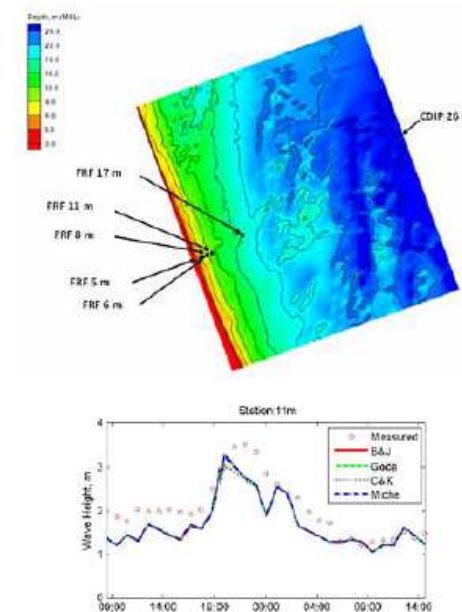
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## Verification and Validation of the Coastal Modeling System

Report 2: CMS-Wave

Lihwa Lin, Zeki Demirebilek, Rob Thomas, and James Rosati, III

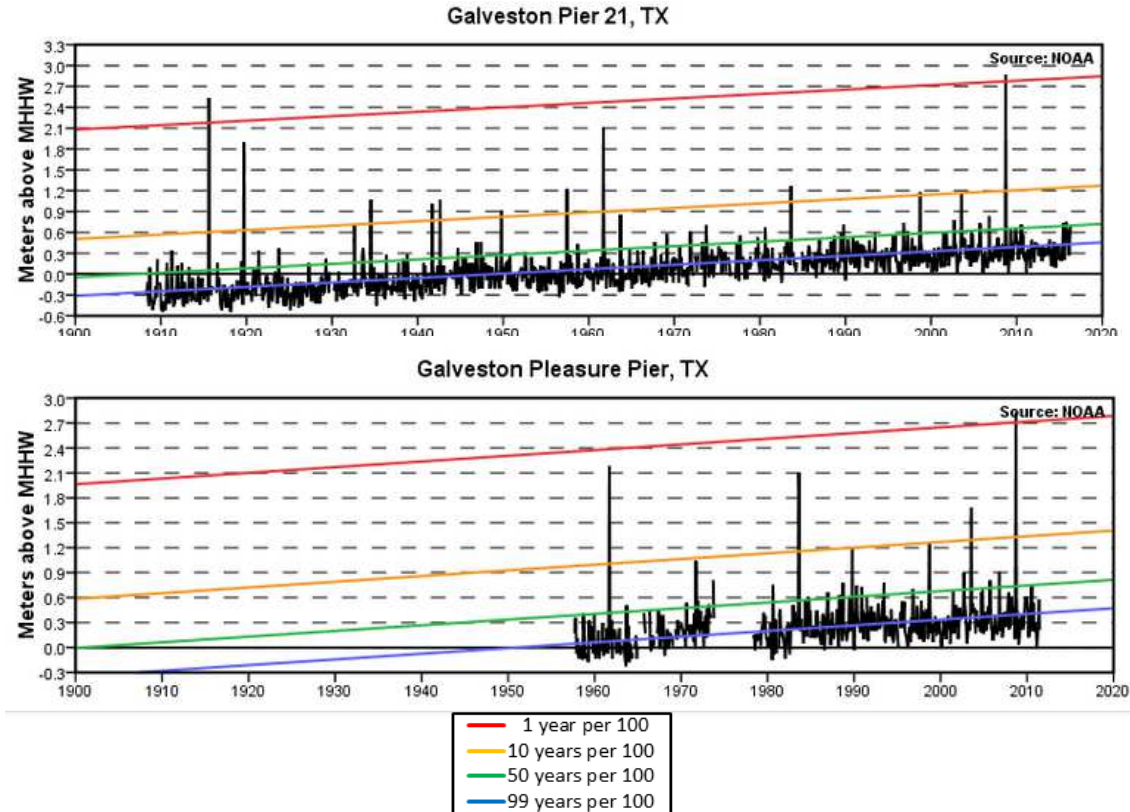
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# EXAMPLE APPLICATION: HISTORICAL DATA WATER LEVEL AND RELATIVE SEA LEVEL RISE

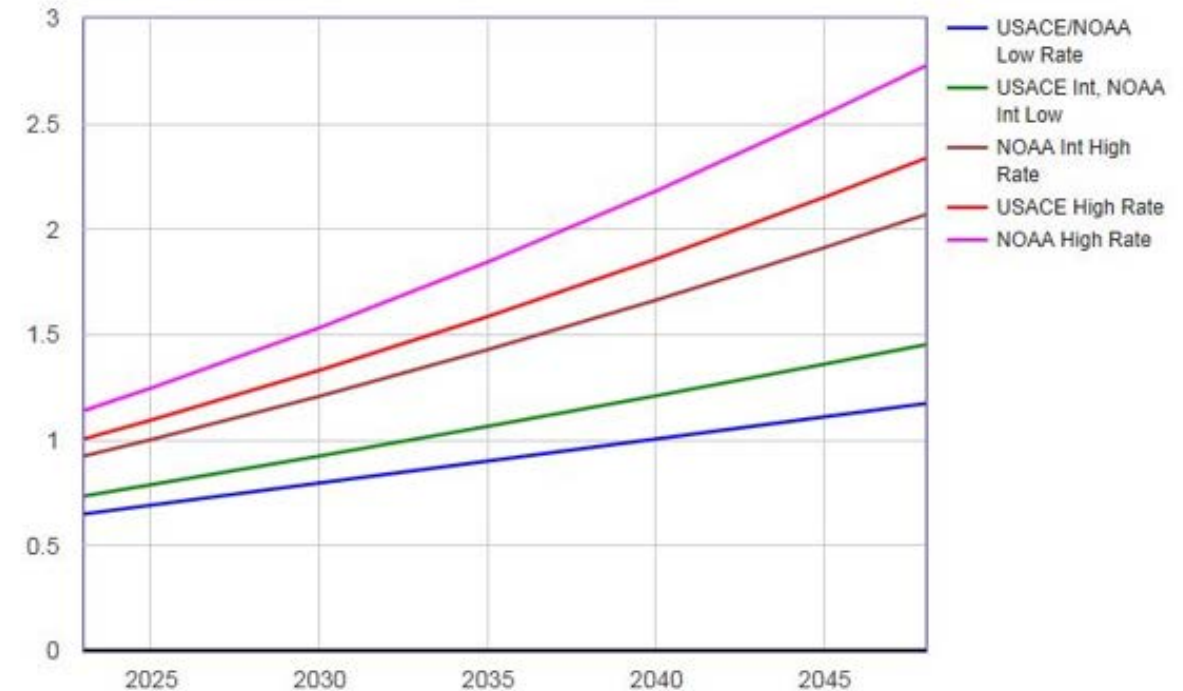
*Historical data available:*

- Water level
- +100 years at Pier 21



RSLC in feet (LMSL)

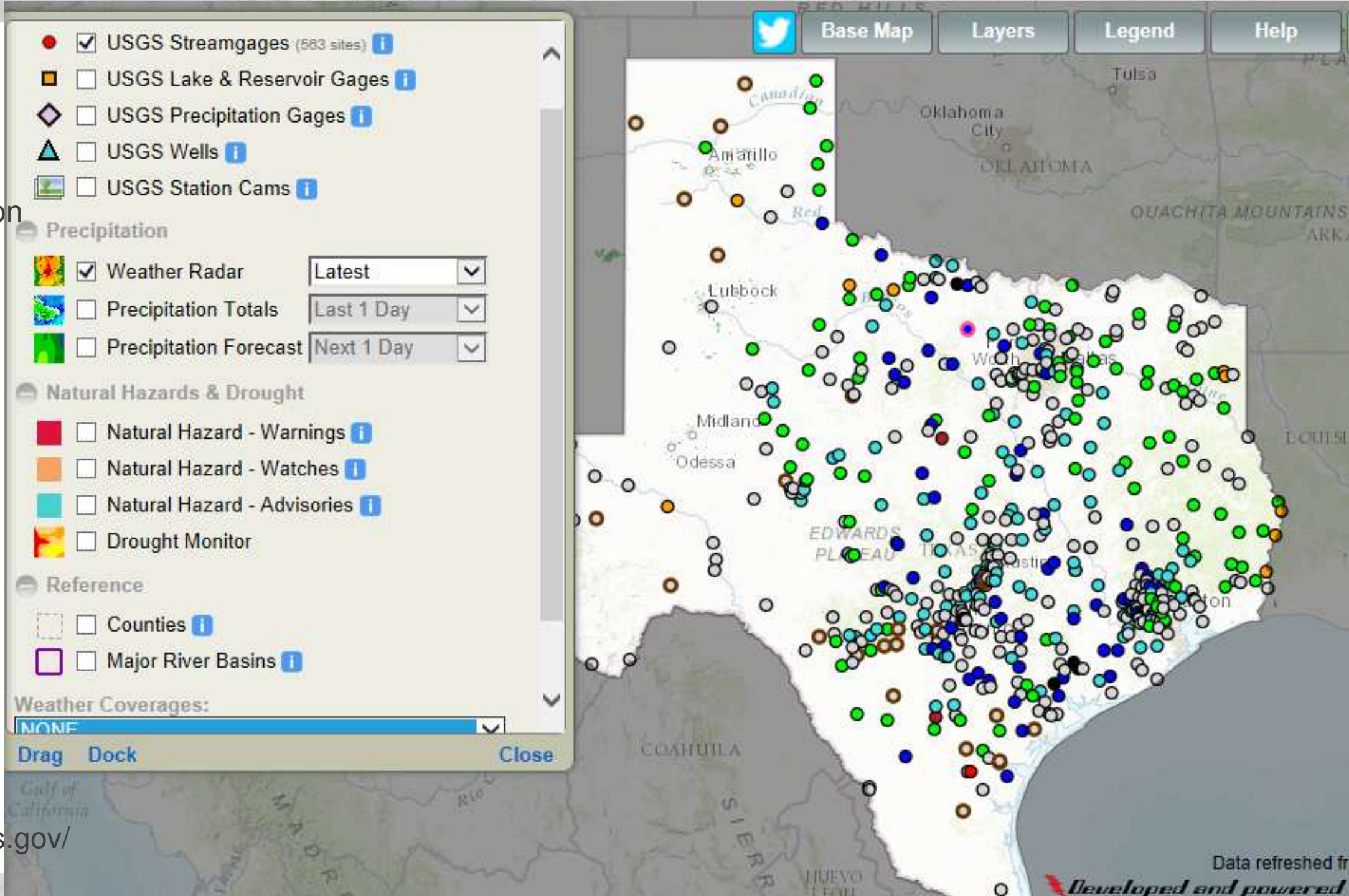
Relative Sea Level Change Projections - Gauge: 8771450, Galveston Pier 21, TX (05/01/2014)





# USGS

- Stream
- Precipitation
- WQ
- Wind



<https://tx.usgs.gov/>



# TNRIS

- Bathymetry
- LiDAR
- Imagery
- Land Cover
- Hydrography
- Soils
- Geology
- Environmental

## Texas Natural Resources Information System

File Name



### GLO Coastal Leases (Point Locations)

Locations of structures and activities permitted by the GLO

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Environmental



### GLO Coastal Leases (Polygonal Locations)

Locations of structures and activities permitted by the GLO

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### GLO Colonial Waterbird Rookery Areas

Locations of waterbird rookery sites in the coastal counties of

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Boundary



### GLO Dispersant Use Pre-Approval Zone

Boundaries of pre-approved area for use of dispersant in oil spill

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### GLO Environmental Sensitivity Index Shoreline

Shoreline of Texas with Environmental Sensitivity Index

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### GLO In-Situ Burn Exclusion Areas

Areas designated by the Oil Spill Regional Response Team VI

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### GLO Oil & Gas Lease Sale Nominations

Nominations for the upcoming oil/gas sealed bid lease sale (tracts)

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### GLO Oil & Gas Leases

Oil and Gas Leases managed by the Texas GLO - General Land

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### GLO Oil & Gas Pooling Agreements/Units

Oil and Gas pooling agreements managed by the Texas GLO -

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### GLO Pipelines and Miscellaneous Easements

Pipelines located in state-owned submerged lands and other areas

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### GLO Priority Protection Habitat Areas

Priority coastal habitat areas to be protected during oil or hazardous



### GLO Species/Habitats

Coastal distribution of animals, plants and habitats potentially at



### GLO State Submerged Lands

State-owned tracts in offshore waters and coastal bays.



### GLO State Tracts with Resource Management Codes

State-owned tracts in offshore waters and coastal bays, with



### GLO Three Marine League Line

The boundary between state and federal jurisdiction located three



# JABLTCX

- LiDAR – flights along the coast every 3 to 5 years
  - 10 cm vertical accuracy



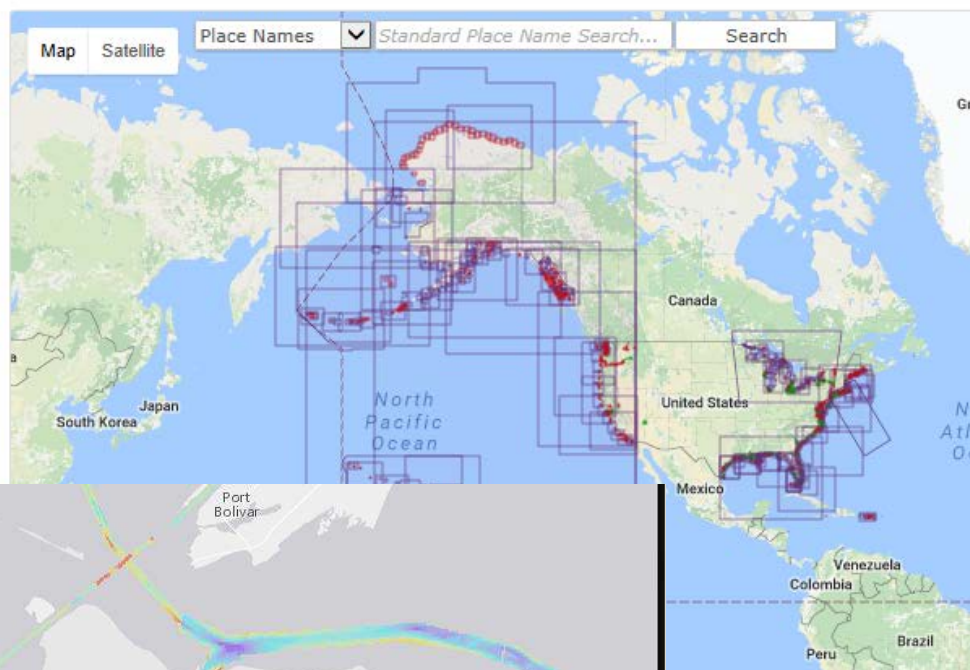


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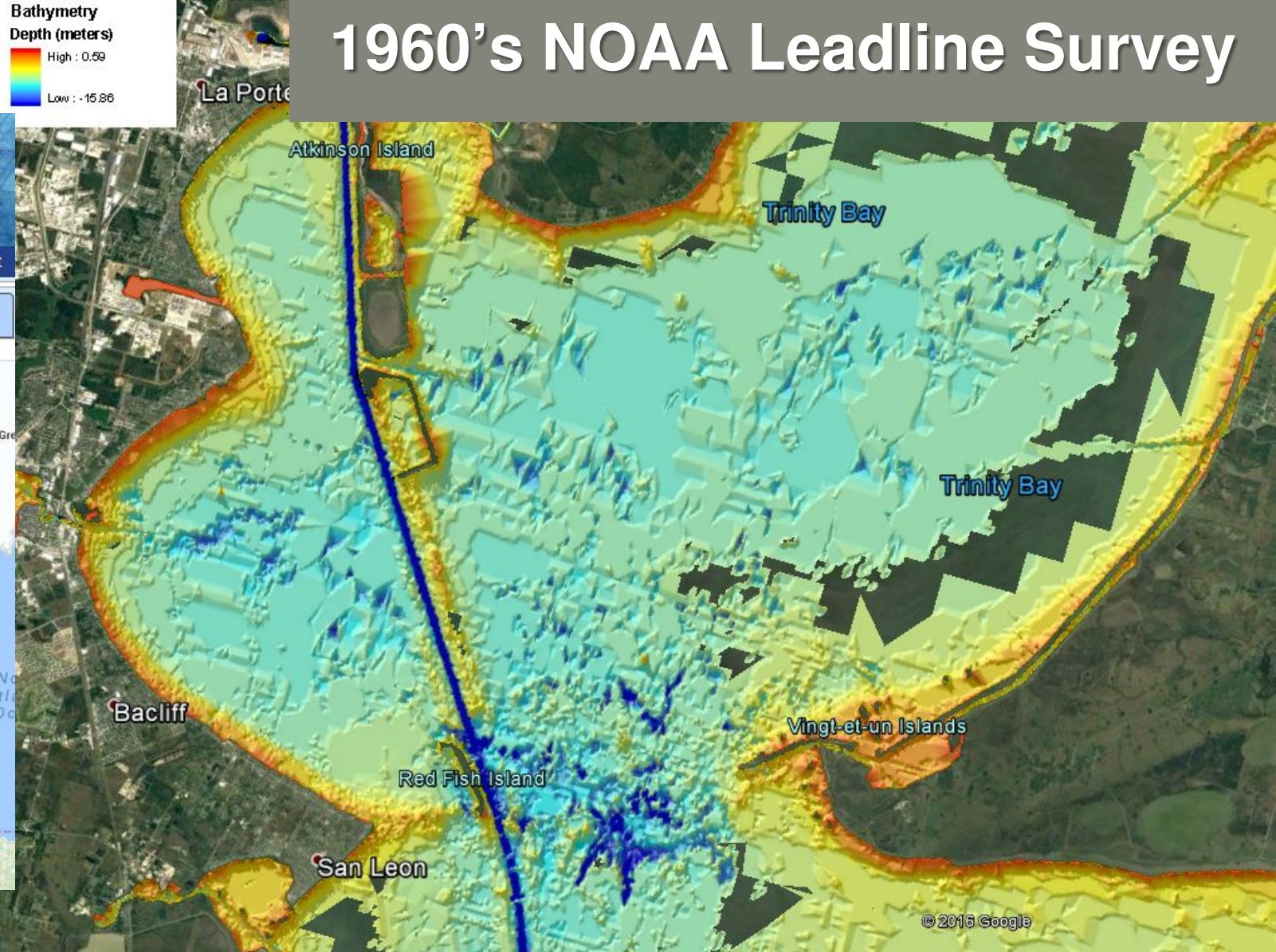
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**Bathymetry**  
Depth (meters)  
High : 0.59  
Low : -15.86



## 1960's NOAA Leadline Survey



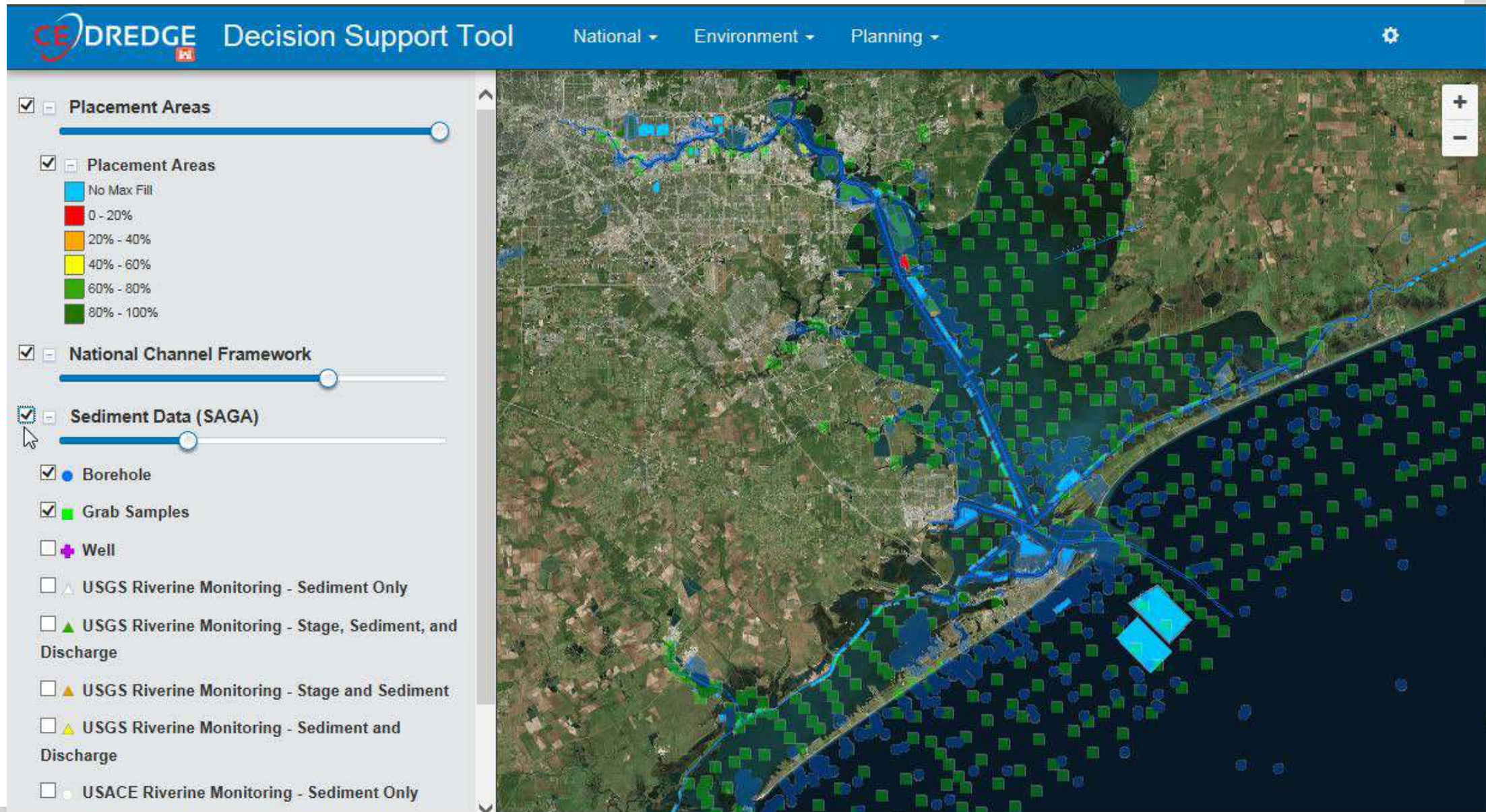
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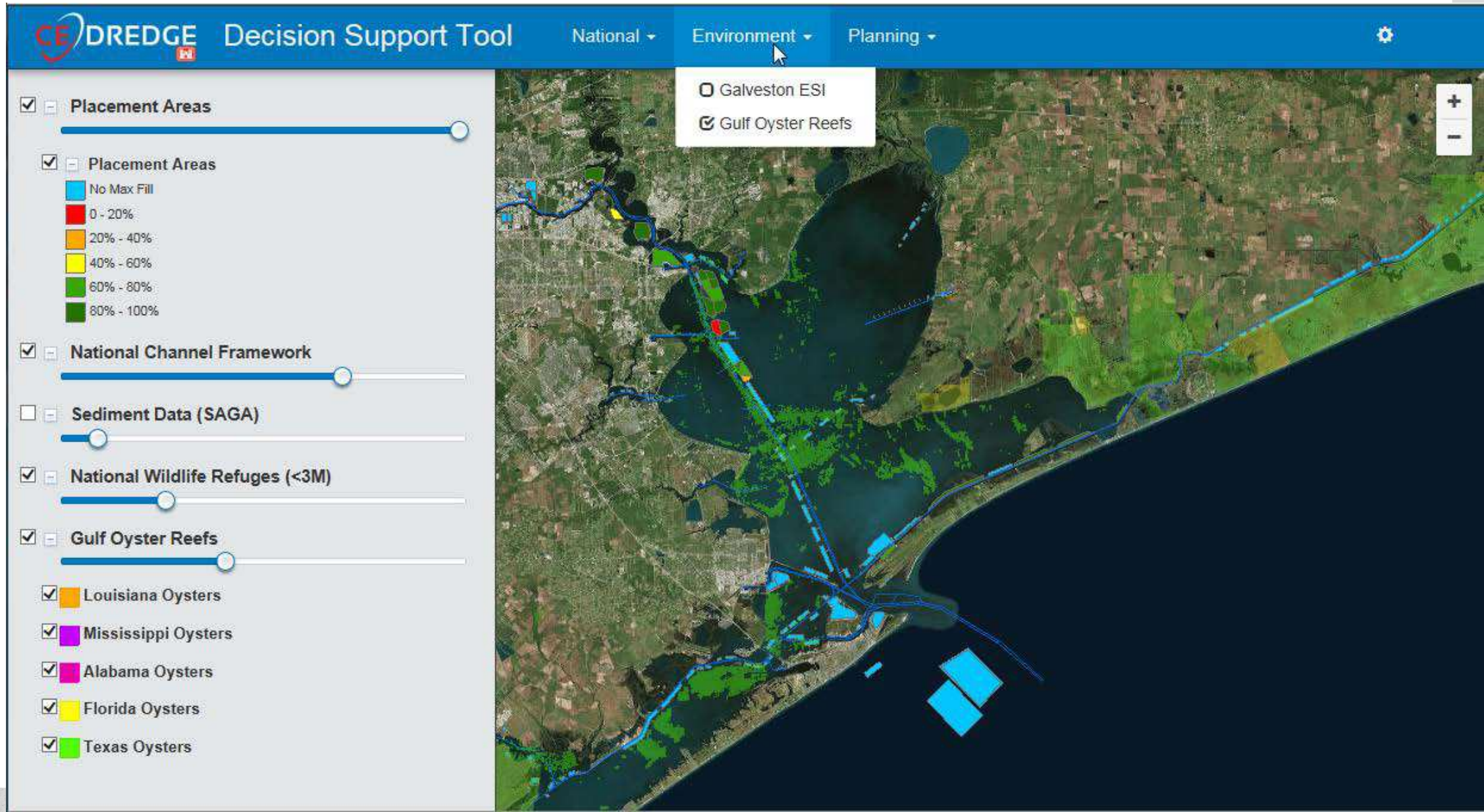


# SEDIMENT DATA



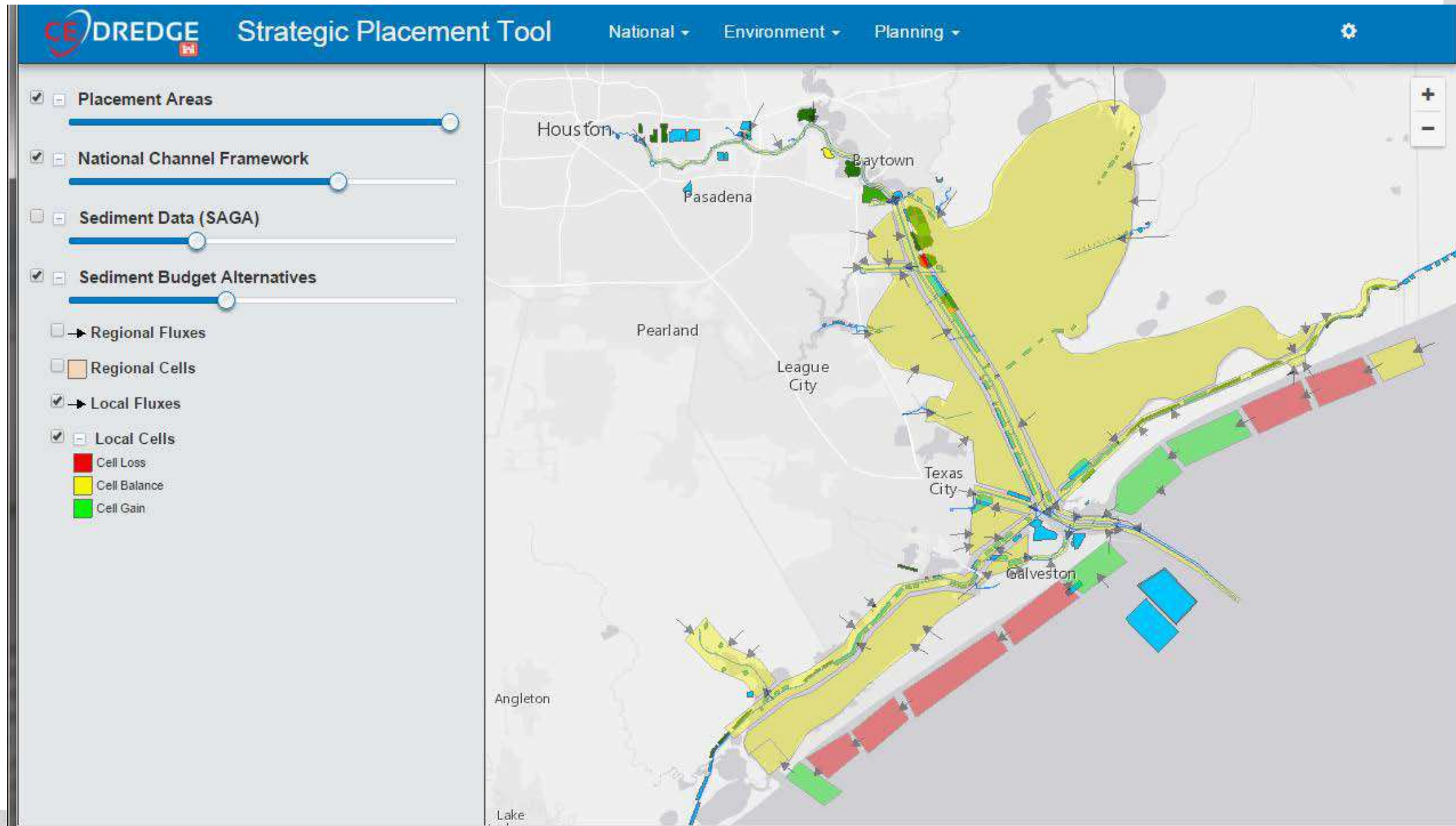


# ENVIRONMENTAL LAYERS



# SEDIMENT BUDGETS

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# WHAT DO WE WANT?

- Water Level
  - Relative sea level rise response
    - Ecological
    - Geomorphic
- Sediment Budgets
  - Riverine sediment budgets – bedload and suspended load long-term measurements - USGS
  - Long and cross shore transport rate measurements
- Ecological
  - SAV or oyster frequent mapping
  - Vegetation species evolution
  - Density and diversity
  - Water quality
- Improved precipitation forecast accuracy
- Improved remote sensing technologies
- Data-Hub – geospatial and metadata searchable
- All of this will improve our models and decisions



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# WHAT ARE WE DOING TO GET THERE?

- Meeting with you!
- CESC
- EwN proving ground
- CESU - In-Situ Measurements of Physical Forces and Biological Parameters in Coastal and Estuarine Systems, Galveston District
- Hiring well... maybe??

