Addendum 1

Key Themes and Identified Impacts from GCOOS-Sponsored Workshops (2000-2015)

Stakeholder Engagement

The GCOOS-RA is proud of its history of reaching out to stakeholders for determining priority products and needs. Our *Build-Out Plan* is a prime example of this with more than 630 people from 297 unique organizations participating in 17 workshops. The information provided by these stakeholders is now the backbone to the *Build-Out Plan*. A summary of stakeholder identified impacts that an integrated ocean observing system would provide and the key theme area(s) addressed are summarized here. Stakeholders can be both the advisor and consumer within the development of GCOOS products and services. We use an iterative process to not only address the needed product, but to refine the product to assure that it meets the needs of the stakeholders.





			Strategic Plan Priority						
Product/Service	Sector	Impact	СН	МО	Eco PH	OE	LTC	Difficulty	Exist/in development/Planned
								L, M, H	
		Coastal HFR for high resolution wave heights and current		х	,				
Surf conditions	Recreational Boaters	information at passes and near-shore out to about 20 nm			′				Planned/Requested
		Surf and circulation conditions at bays, inlets and passes to							
		develop and refine envronmental sensitivity indices for spill	х		X X				
	Emergency Response	response. Scales on the order of ten meters is desired							Planned/Requested
		Rip current forecasts and sea state, with live cam at popular	x		,	x			
	Beach-goers, divers	swimming and diving locations	^			^			Planned/Requested
		Localized high resolution nearshore and offshore surf							
		forecasts to support "go-no-go" decisions related to		Х					
	Oil & Gas and supporting industries	exploration and drilling operations							Planned/Requested
		Long-term averages and extremes of surface conditions/land-	x		x	x	x		
	Restoration programs e.g., Water Inst. Of the Gulf								Planned/Requested
		Facilitate private sponsorship of buoys near reefs/diving	х	х		x			
	Recreational boaters, divers	spots with sensors that include aids to navigation							Planned/Requested
	Commercial, recreational boating, shipping	Increase availability of local area pilot charts		х					Planned/Requested
		Improve where/when information delivered; e.g., at the ramp							
		with visual/flag signal, VHF, local radio transmission, GIS on		х		Х			
	Recreational Boaters	GPS units							Planned/Requested
		Surface through bottom data on salinity, turbidity,			x x	x			
	Recreational Boaters	chlorophyll, dissolved oxygen, bacteria							Planned/Requested
	O'L O C. J. III' - O NOAA NING L'	Higher resolution and earlier forecasts of Loop Current							
		position, characteristices (e.g., depth & T-S ranges) and eddy	Х	Х	X X	Х	х		
NUMERICAL MODELS	Marine Resources	shedding events							Exist/in development
		Models (HYCOM,ADCIRC others); HFR in N. Gulf, WFS, Miami	х	х	x x	х	х		
	OR&R/ERMA and DIVER users	and TX coming online							Exist
	Insurance industry, realtors, tourism	Water level, flood risk planning tools							Planned/Requested
14 LLE		Continuous and discrete biological and physical models to	х	х	x x				
Model Forecasts: surface currents from ROMS, WAVCIS	NGO programs	bridge the continuum from land to ocean							Exist/Planned/Requested
		Finite element model integration to create seamless	х	х	x x				
		boundaries land/inshore/offshore							In development limited areas
		More precise location and tracking of HABs by combining offshore and nearshore surface currents, remote sensing data			x x		.,		
	HABIOS community	and models			X X	х	Х		Planned/Requested
	HABIOS community								Planned/Requested
		A plan with cost estimate to routinely update continuous models							Planned/Requested
		Climatology products	v	v	V \		v		Some exist/more requested
	USCG SAR, fishery stock assessments, marine	cilinatology products	Х	х	X X	х	Х		Some exist/more requested
	transportation	Ocean hydrodynamic models for surface current trajectories	x	х	x x	х			Exist/In development/limited areas
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		Enable integrated open ocean to estuaries models (e.g., USF				+			
Model Forecasts: integrated open ocean to estuaries	NOAA NHC, NWS, academia, NRL, Emergency	OCG, UM Coastal and Shelf modeling, WFS ROMS) to be used	x	x	,	×			
models	Management	in weather prediction (especially hurricanes)	^	^	'	^			Not yet operational
inoucis	ivianagement	Establish baseline conditions for integrated ecosystem model							Not yet operational
	Gulf NERRS programs, Resource management	development			X X	х	х		Planned/Requested
	Living Marine Resource Management and	Integration with in situ data (buoys, LIDAR, HFR, AUV,							eu/nequested
	research	Satellite RS)	x	х	x x	х	X		
	research	5333				+			
Gulf Gliders/AUVs			СН	МО	Eco Pi	1 0	E LTC	Difficulty	
San Shacis, NOVS		Expand Gulf AUV Network and Data Archiving Long-term	- C		200			Dimedity	
		Storage Facility; glider data and pilot support to enable							
	Gulf glider network (TAMU, USF, MML, USM,	coordinated missions and remove DM burden from glider	х	х	X X	X	х		
Gliders: GANDALF	Navy, Shell)	operators							Exists/In development
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		Build out Gulf-wide the USM and MSU Liquid Robotics								
		platforms that house carbon dioxide, DO, pH and other			x	х	х	х		
		sensors to monitor ocean acidification and other long-term						-		
Gliders: Wave gliders	managers, NOAA NMS, MBON	changes								Planned/Requested
Marine Biodiversity Observing Network										
Wildlife Diodiversity Observing Network		Support MBON reef fish visual census, e.g., FKNMS aggregate								
		counts, corals, other LMR; ERDDAP/TDS servers; link these								
		biological data with physical, metocean and other data			Х	х	Х	Х		
GCOOS Vampire for MBON		streams								Exist/In development
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MBON: Biological Data	MBON and several in NGO Community	Connect with biodiversity:Genome mapindices for all Gulf species			х			х		Planned/Requested
		Automated taxonomic classification via optical sensors,			V	Ų	v	,		,
	MBON and several in NGO community	eDNA, cytobots, etc			Х	х	х	Х		Exist in limited area
		Sustained monitoring to ID status & trends, stock structure,								
		population demographics & reproductive rates of MM		x	x	x	×	х		
	Marine Mammal Commission, academia, fish and	nearshore (less than 200 m ie spotted dolphins) and offshore						Α		
	wildlife, NMS, N Park Serv	species ie Bryde's and sperm whales								Requested
	Academic, state and federal government with MM	Assess habitat use of MM sppno sustained monitoring		x	x	x	х	х		
	jurisdiction	outside MS Sound and Sarasota Bay		^	^	^	^	^		
MODEL FORECASTS			СН	мо	Eco	PH	OE	LTC	Difficulty	
Model forecasts: GOM HYCOM	Academia, navy, industry	RT 1/25 degree GOM HYCOM	х	х	X	х	0.5000	х		Exist
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		QuickScat winds FSU 6 hr winds at 0.5 degree resolution								
		incorporated into model development for wind-driven	х	х	х	х	х			
Model forecasts: wind-driven currents	Model developers	currents and other forecasts								Exist
Model forecasts: wind fields	Academia, navy, industry	NCEP NAM wind fields	х	Х	Х	Х				Exist
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Model forecasts: GNOME-ready input fields	OR&R, academia, navy, industry	ready input fields								Exist
		Open Geospatial Consortium's Web Map Service protocol for								
Model resources: GCOOS WMS server		georeferenced map images	х	х	х	х				Exist
Widdel resources. Geods Wills server	Academia, may, madary	georeterenced map images								LAIST
		UCAR's Unidata Thematic Real-time Environmental								
		Distributed Data Services provides metadata and data access								
		to RT and archived data sets from a variety of sources at a	х	x	х	х	x	х	x	
		number of distributed server sites using a variety of remote								
Model resources: THREDDS data server		data access protocols.								Exist
		OGC Web Coverage Service interface standard for USF IMaRS	х	x	х	х	х	х	x	
Model resources: WCS client for USF MODIS chla-a and SST	USF	program to select GCOOS holdings of interest	^	^	^	^	^	^	^	Exist
		OGC Web Coverage Service interface standard for LSU ESL	х	x	x	х	x	х	x	
Model resources: WCS client for LSU ESL SST	LSU	program to select GCOOS holdings of interest				-				Exist
Model resources: Hypoxia	Academia, Resource Management	Hypoxia simulation results catalog	х		x	х		х		Exist
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Model Resources: Mean T & S profiles										
		Mean T & S profile from the Generalized Digital Environment								
		Model (GDEM) V.3, computed from T & S profiles extracted	х	x	х	х		x		
		from the Master Oceanographic Observational Data Set	^	^	^	^		^		
Mean T & S profile from GDEM V. 3	Navy, academia	(MOODS, 1995)								Exist
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Mean T & S profile from WOA	Navy, academia	Mean T & S profiles from the World Ocean Atlas 2005	Х	Х	Х	Х		х		Exist



		High resolution 2 D tomorphism and a Butto Builde doctor								
Synthetic T&S profile from SSHS	Navy, academia	High resolution 3-D temperature and salinity fields derived from in situ and satellite observations	x	x	x	x		х		Exist
		Enable transition of legacy data to new technologies without losing								
Model resources: Historical data	MMS/BOEM	data								Requested
	Modeling community	Create a searchable database of historical information that can be used to develop climatologies	X	X	х	X	х	х		In development limited data sets
Model resources river discharge data set										
			СН	МО	Eco	PH	OE	LTC	Difficulty	
Model resources: SSH and anomoly data	Modeling community, academia, navy	U CO daily fields of Sea Surface Height anomaly; model avg SSH for GOM	x	x						Exist
	NCDDC, NODC, NRL,	Aggregate and host shape files in one place	х	х						
		Assess offshore pelagics, zooplankton abundance and			х	x	х	х		
Model resources: Model data viewer	NGO	distribution								Requested
	NGO	Maps of inland/marsh bird species/migratory corridors			Х		Х	Х		Requested
	NGO	Integrated data across state boundaries			Х	Х	Х	Х		Requested
	NWS, ORR, Emergency operations, academic	Comparative model output to ID typical vs. extreme conditions, refine SLOSH, SLAMM surge models	x	x	x	x	х	х		Exist/In development
	GOMRI, Gulf Modeling Task team	Enable the overlay of model output from various models	х	х	х	х	х	х		In development/Planned
	GOMRI Deep-C and other DWH consortia	Merge continuous models with other data	X	x	X	X		x		Requested
		Overlay sediment, water, atmosphere, biogeochemical,								Toquestou .
	Ecosystem modelers	species transport/couple circulation and biologic models			х	Х				Requested
BATHYMETRY										
Bathymetry: entire GOM bathymetry and coastline- SRTM30PLUS-30 arc second SRTM land topography with measured and estimated seafloor topography	NGO	Link coastal species niche and distribution to elevation			x					Requested
The same of the sa	NGO	Appropriate spatial and temporal resolution	х	х	х	х	х	х		Requested
	NGO	Transportation and hazard applications	x	x						Requested
		Standard elevation data formats and reporting	x	x	х	х	х			Requested
Bathymetry: N. GOM-NGDC Coastal Relief Model (CRM),		Reduce hull strikes, boat groundings and habitat destruction	^							nequested
multibeam arc info pt coverage, 50 m gridded and UTM	Recreational Boaters	with higher resolution bathymetry of coastal shorelines, inlets and passes	x	х	x					Data exist; stakeholder-specific products requested
zone format, and shapefile format		Baseline information to support NMFS Essential Fish Habitat		х	x					Data exist; stakeholder-specific products
	NMFS	Maps								requested
	NMFS, FWC, Marine Mammal Commission	Share protected species data/work of various NGOs		Х	Х					Requested
	Chata and a combination of the	Habitat classification, NOAA Env Sensitivity Index, EPA, IEPECA			х					D
	State and county response agencies	Habitat Classification standards (e.g., CMECS), sediment								Requested
	NGO, GOM Data Atlas users	classification	x		х					Exist for some
	NGO	Ability to seamlessly drill down to resolution needed			Х					
	Many GCOOS stakeholders	Gulf-wide base map with nested spatial scales	x	x	х	x	х	х		Requested/currently research mode only
Map layers	CSC, CZM, GOMA Coastal Resiliance PIT	Coastal hazards linked to coastal development, land use maps	x		х					Requested
		ID critical/sensitive habitat, protected spp, species	х	х	x					
	NMS, NMFS EFH, NOAA Protected Spp	distributions Map layers for habitat types, jurisdiction, land cover, public	x		×	x	x	x		Requested
	NOAA Habitat Blueprint, GAME	access sites	^		^					Requested
	Gulf Restoration community, FEMA	Insurance industry-scenarios under different land use	х		х					Requested
	Gulf of Mexico Data Atlas users	Jurisdiction, state priority areas and species/sensitivity index	х		х	х				Requested
	NOAA CCAP, Mobile Bay USCG	ports/barge traffic/navigation		х						
	NOS, USACE, USGS, Protected Spp Division	Sediment loads	х	х	х	х				Requested
	GO-Monitor	Sampling locations inventory								Exist
OIL & GAS										



	Public, city planners, management	General platform, pipeline and lease data information	х	х	х					Exist
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		Trajectory predictions to refine numerical models, guide spill	x		x	x				
DWH glider and float time series	Academia, Emergency Response, Mitigation teams	response, protect sensitive habitats	×		×	X				Exist
		Pollutant source prediction e.g., backtrack to source	х		x	х				Exist
		Pollutant fates forecasts	×		x	х				Exist
		Contingency planning for oil spillsEnvrironmental Sensitivity								
		Index development	х		х	х				Data exist for some areas
DWH regional resources	Emergency response, resource management, education	Desired information: Hydrocarbons-natural background levels	×		х	x	x			Requested
Satellite remote sensing products for boaters	Recreational Boaters	Higher resolution remote sensing products (e.g., USF IMaRS, Optical Ocean Lab, USM Ocean Weather Lab, LSU ESL, Roffers Ocean Fish Forecasting Service) to show weed line, temperature fronts		х	x	x				Data exist, need stakeholder-specific products
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LIVING MARINE RESOURCES	A. J. L. TNG TOG TGLO D'. Ital Co	Land to the state of the state								F 1.1
LMR: lionfish observation tool	Audubon, TNC, TOC, TGLO, Digital Coast	Invasive species monitoring			×	X	X	x	m. 1001 1.	Exist
			СН	МО	Eco	PH	OE	LTC	Difficulty	
LMR: CAGES	Fisheries dependent, independent data users	Integrate SEAMAP, MARFIN, CAGES, NOAA Data Atlas, GOMA Atlas, OC Atlas, O&G industry			x	x	x	X		Some data exist/Request for stakeholder specific products
SEAMAP data	Living Marine Resource managers, academia, NGC	Trophic interactions/food web dynamics			x	x	х	x		Some data exist/Request for stakeholder specific products
	Living Marine Resource managers, academia, NGC	Guidance for restoration decisions, economic valuation			х		x			Some data exist/Request for stakeholder specific products
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LMR: Animal Telemetry	Gulf ATN community (iTAG, FACT, OTN)	Ability to monitor aquatic animals over larger spatial scales		Х	х	X	Х	Х		In development
	Gulf ATN community (iTAG, FACT, OTN)	Satellite and acoustic tracking infrastructure		Х	х	X	Х	х		In development
	ATN community	Technology: Arrays which can be used to track multiple species		x	x	x	x	х		Requested
		Refine tags to enable environmental condition monitoring		x	x	x	x	х		
	ATN community	from animal platforms								In development by Vemco
		Demonstrate how data from ATN (e.g., natural mortality			×		x			
	Modeling-LMR assessments	rates, migration rates) can fill gaps in assessment models			^		^			Requested
	ATN community	Ability to integrate detection data with oceanographic data		Х	x	х	х	х		Requested
		Integrative research for assessment and management								
	ATN community	purposes		х	х	x	Х	Х		Requested
ATN Regional Coordination	LMR managers NMFS, MMC, FWC	Aligning federal and state initiatives related to monitoring fish movements		x	x	x	x	х		Requested
		Create mechanism to leverage funding/ share			x		x			
		resources—data, equipment, expertise, economies of scale								Requested
		Gulf ATN as a network that can facilitate data sharing by integrating with other telemetry networks		x	x	x	x	x		Exist/In development
		Improve robustness of the Gulf acoustic and satellite tracking system		x	x	x	x	x		Requested/In development
		Develop a coordinated sentinel array system that is consistently deployed and can detect rapid changes or odd behaviors		x	x	x	x	x		Requested
		Establish a sense of community and collaboration to facilitate a regional approach to addressing bigger science questions		x	х	x	x	x		Exist/In development
		Create a mechanism for researchers to learn about new technologies and to provide feedback to vendors on needs					x			In development
		Host a universal data base to share detections of non-target species			x	x	x	x		Requetsted
		Use the Gulf network to ID gaps in spatial coverage where infrastructure is needed			х	х	x			Exist/In development



		Improve communication through annual meetings and forums					х		Exist/In development
River Discharge	NGO, state and federal water management districts, academia, emergency management	Better understand the drivers of fluctuation, FW/Groundwater input by the ~61 rivers draining into the N. GOM.	x	x	x	x	x	x	Some data exist/need stakeholder- specific products
H-N Portal	NGO	Productivity-Coast/shelf/ocean exchange	х		х	х	х	х	Exist
	NGO	chlorophyll			Х	X	Х		Exist
	GOMA WQ Priority Issue Team, EPA	chlorophyll, nutrients, pollution, contaminants, turbidity, Total Suspended Solids			x	x	x	x	Exist
	Beach monitoring, water management districts	standardized collection and reporting	x	x	x	x	x	х	Some data/Request for consistent standards
		Advance use of optical sensors, glider hyperspectral sensors, RS, ISUS			х	x	x		Some exist/Request for widespread use
	NGO, USF, MML, LUMCON, TAMU, USM, industry	DO from AUVs and or vessels			х	x	x	х	Limited data exist/Request for more widespread sampling
	EPA, states, federal response, industry response	Couple H-N portal data with circulation models for pollution tracking	x	x	х	x	х		Data exist/specific products needed
Sea level shoreline: Global Shelf-consistent, Hierarchical, High-resolution Shoreline Database (GSHHS)	USGS, flood plain managers, coastal planners	Shoreline database for coastal vulnerability assessments from GSHHS	х					x	Exists
Weather: SLAMM and SLR trends in GOM	NOAA CO-OPS	Water level-real time	x	x		x	x	x	Exist
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	Recreational Boaters	General weather: Enhanced accuracy of real-time weather forecasts at more localized resolution, including environmental alerts and fog	x	x		x	x		Exist for limited locations
	Recreational Boaters	At least 30-min advanced warning for hazardous weather development	х	х			х		Data exist/ need stakeholder-specific pro
Weather SLR scenarios			x	х	х	х	х	х	Exist
Citizen Science Portal	Natures Academy, Galveston Bay Foundation, Florida Aquarium, NGO, formal and informal educators	Portal enables sharing of regional water quality, biodiversity and marine debris data collected by citizens, currently in TX and FL			x	x	x	х	Exists
Don't Contilling Don't	Public Health Officials, Coastwatch, Beachwatch,					x	х		Exists but needs to be integrated and standardized across county and state
Beach Conditions Report	HABIOS, NRDA Seafood industry, seafood consumers	Beachstoplight maps for general public Seafood consumption safety products				х	х		borders Requested
HABS: TX observatory for algal succession time series	HABIOS, Beachwatch, Coastwatch HABIOS, Beachwatch, Coastwatch, state/federal	Near-real-time public health and WQ information			X	х	X	X	Exists
(TOAST)	HAB monitoring programs	Phytoplankton abundance and distribution TX coast			х	х	х	х	Exists
HABIOS	HABIOS community	Sampling technology: Expand/further develop automated/autonomous sampling approaches- OPD [Optical Phytoplankton Detector], flow cytobot, ESP [Environmental Sample Processor], gliders	x		x	х	x	x	In development, requires additional funding
	HABIOS community	Expand autonomous sampling technologies for HABS to detect species/taxa besides <i>K. brevis</i>	x		х	х	x	x	Requested
	NGO, Tourism, seafood safety industry	Improve accuracy of forecasting where/when toxins occur and measures of bloom intensity and toxicity	x		x	x	x	x	Requested
		Develop an operational early HAB warning system HAB reports for both living marine resources (manatees,	X		x	x x	x		Requested
	HABIOS	dolphins, sea turtles) and public health				^	^		Requested



Decision support tools		Understand natural vs. human coastal impacts	x		X	х	x	x		Requested
	GOMA members	Guidance for Coastal Marine Spatial Planning								Requested
		Data to support natural resource management			х					Requested
			CH	МО	Eco	PH	OE	LTC	Difficulty	
GCOOS Recreational Boater Website	Recreational Boaters, beach goers, divers, surfers	Visibly tag data that are not currently available		х			x			Requested
		Better tools and distribution for subsurface currents.		Х			х			Requested
		VHF Distress call relay via buoys ("repeater" system to extend range of VHF offshore)		x			x			Requested
		Informaiton with common and understood terminologies and verbiage		x			x			In development
		Targeted dissemination by audience (e.g., small boats, near- shore vs. larger boats, off-shore)		x			×			Requested
		Enhance citizen science network to engage community and								
		provide better HAB sampling coverage/increase discrete			x	х	x	x		
	HABIOS	sampling								
TAMU-CC land use/habitat, Gulf Atlas	Spatial planners, USGS	Facilitate use by others					x			Requested
Long-term Change		Interpolation and extrapolation of climatology and extremes; understanding of long-term changes	x	x	x	x	x	х		Requested
		Trends in HABs, pathogens			х	х	х	х		
Long-term Change	Academia, emergency response, insurance industry, realtors	Trends in coastal morphology	x		x			x		
ong-term Change		Changes in biozoogeography, especially of keystone and sentinel species			х	x	x	x		

An Integrated Vision of the Future

The Gulf of Mexico Coastal Ocean Observing System's vision is to build a robust, user-driven, sustained, operational network that integrates physical, meteorological, biogeochemical, biological, bathymetric and other data from diverse providers, assures data consistency and quality and creates new data products needed by users. It will also provide accurate data, products and services to IOOS, decision-makers and the public in a timely and efficient manner to benefit human communities and the economy as well as natural ecosystems.



