

SEDIMENT MANAGEMENT AND NAVIGATION OPTIMIZATION AT COLLIER CREEK, FL



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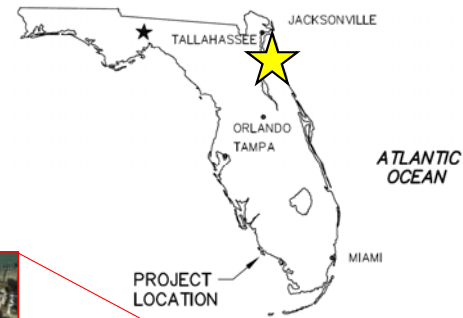
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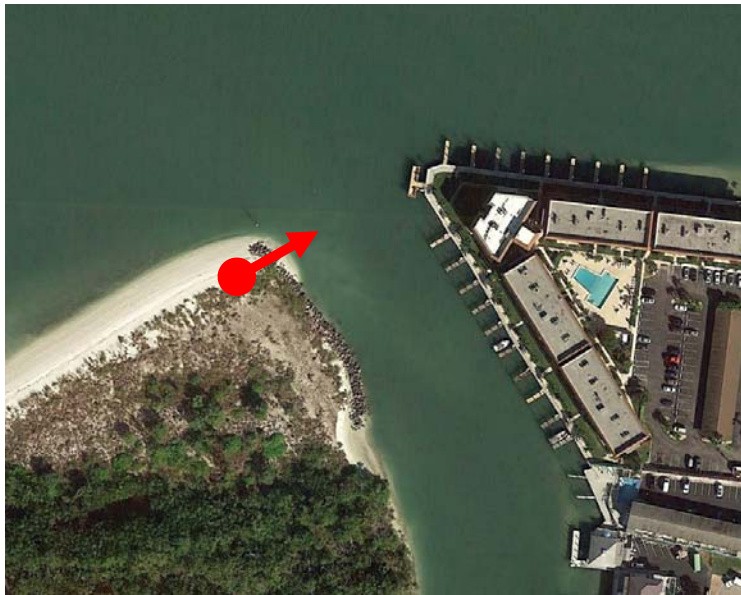


COLLIER CREEK COLLIER COUNTY, FL



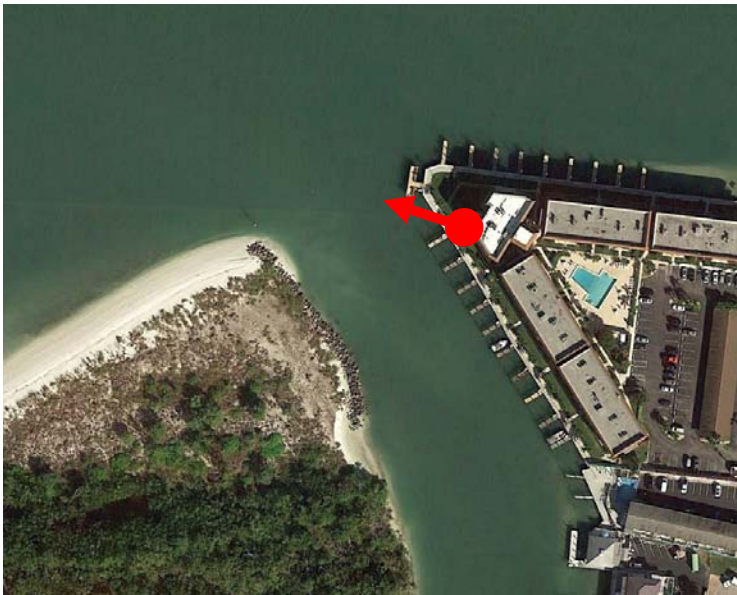
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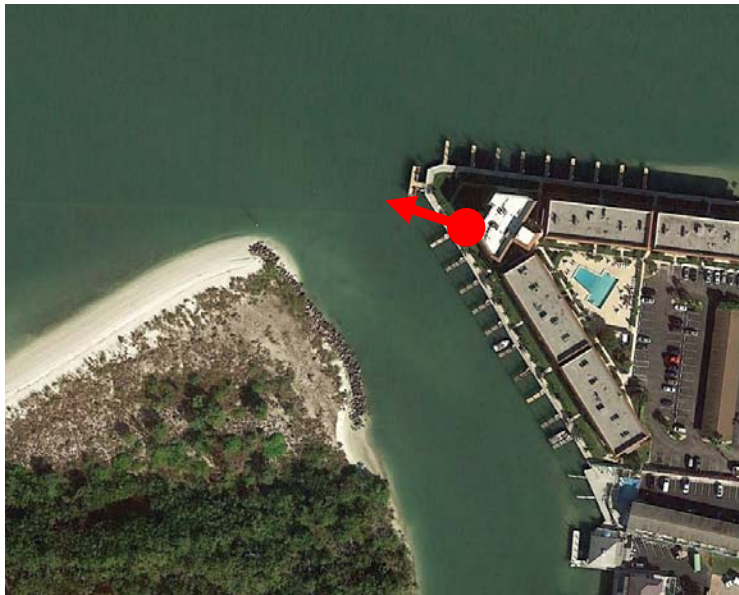


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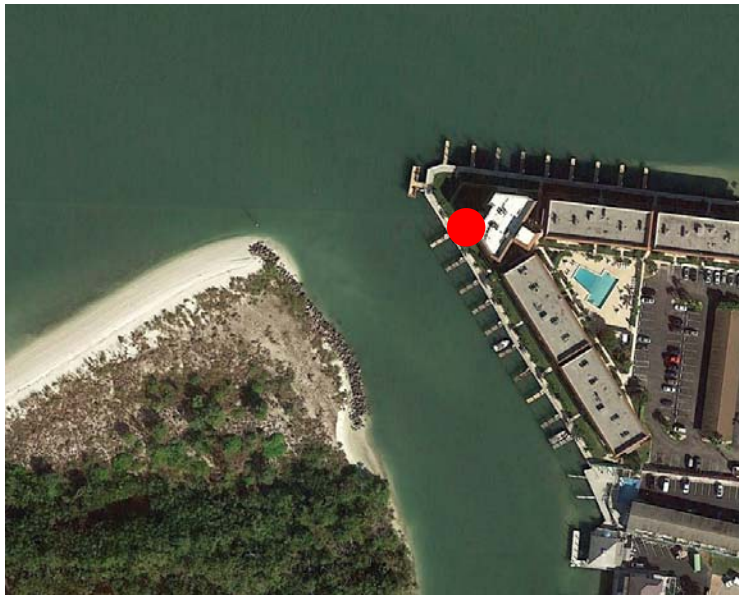


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2009-2011: 4 accidents causing structural damage



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Collier Creek
Dredging
(24,100 cy)



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(9,300 cy)



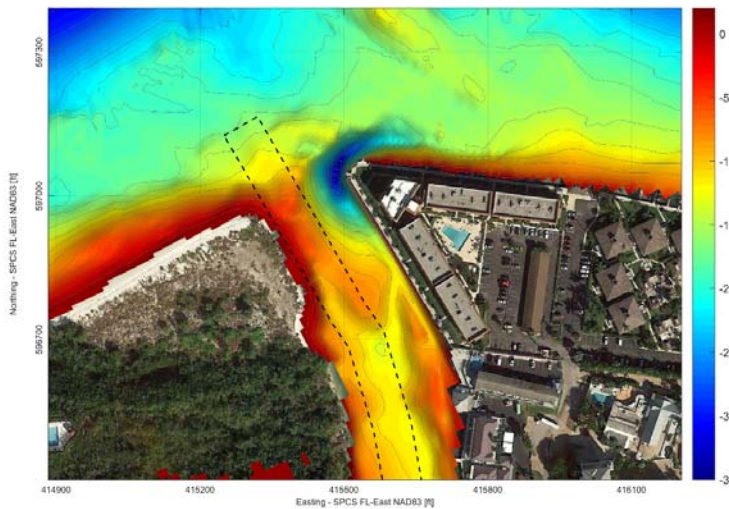
Collier Creek
Dredging
(12,000 cy)



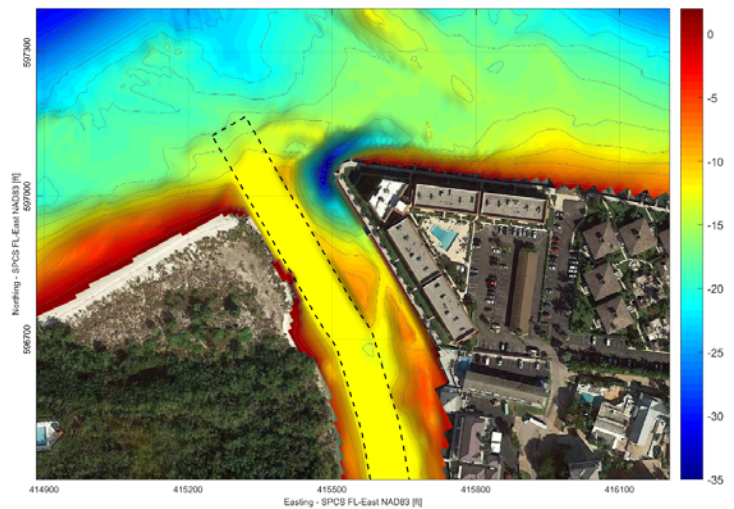
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Bathymetry [ft NAVD], August 2017

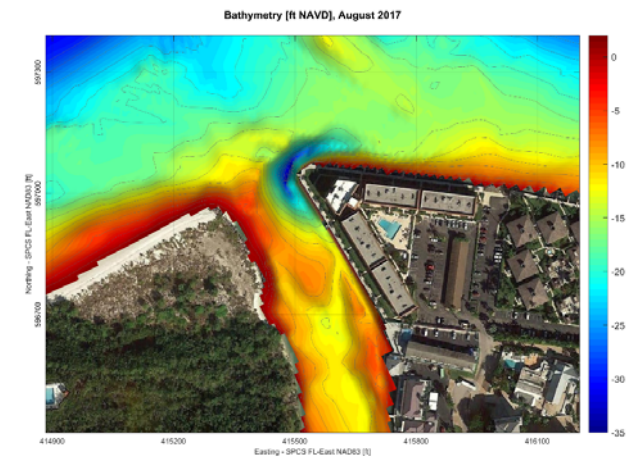
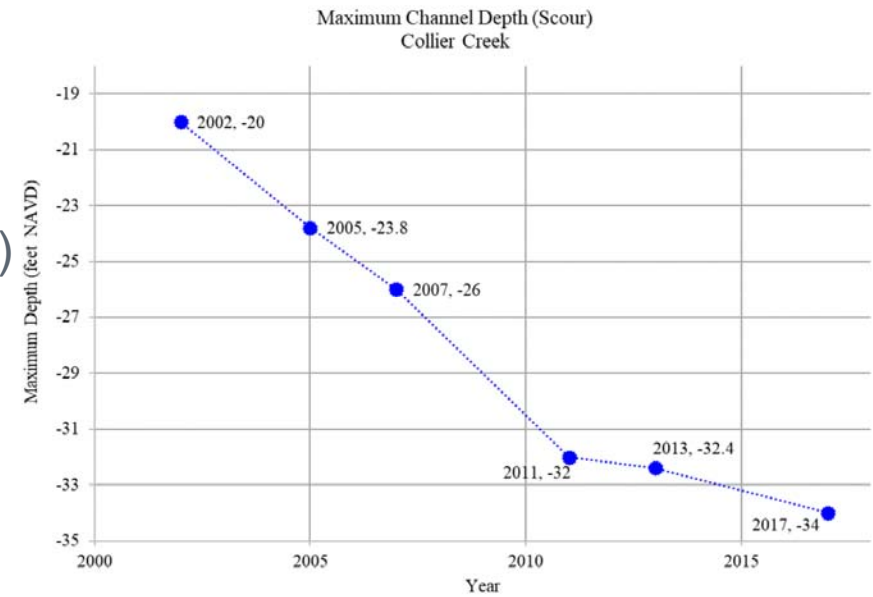


Bathymetry [ft NAVD], August 2017 + Channel dredging



PROBLEM OVERVIEW

- ▶ Regional coastal dynamics (water & sediment)
- ▶ Scour hole deepening (cause/consequence)



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Hurricane Irma:
seawall collapse;
channel shoaling



MANAGEMENT PLAN DEVELOPMENT



nts/tides

nt fluxes



Engagement of local stakeholders from start:

- City of Marco Island
- VDMW Condominium



HYDRODYNAMIC MODELING

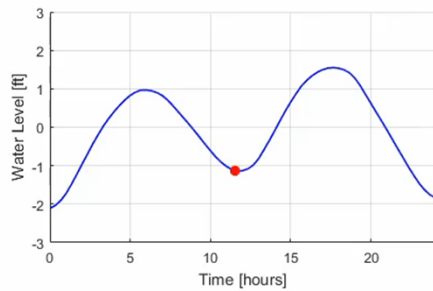


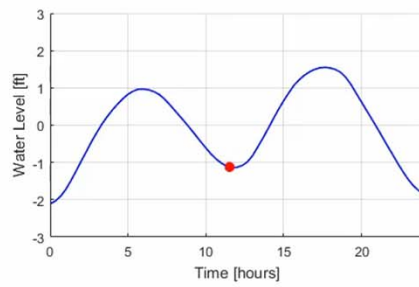
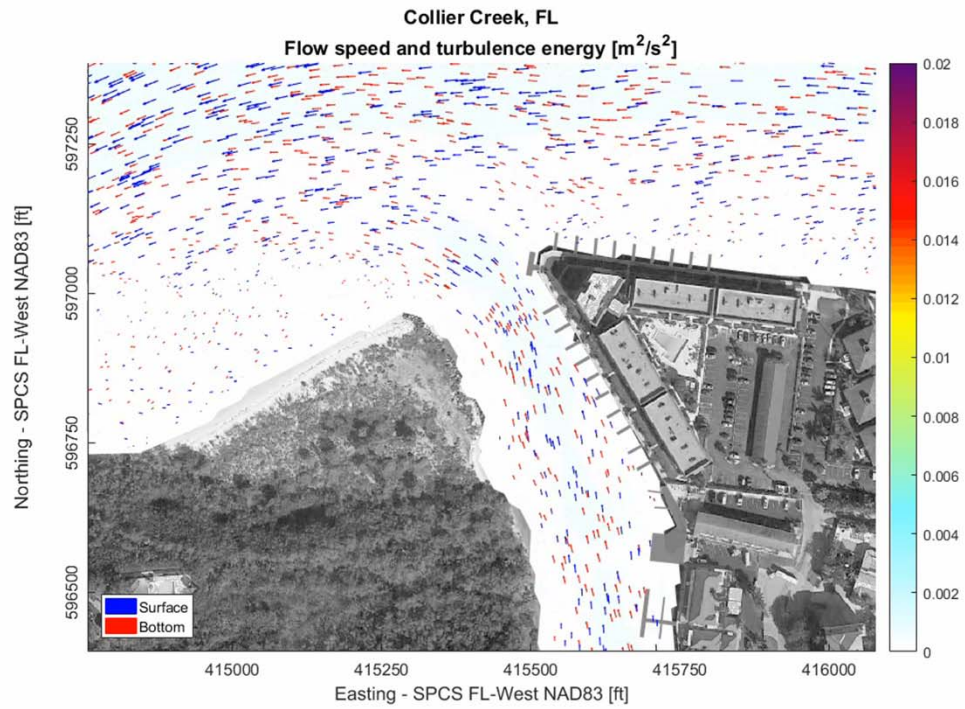
HYDRODYNAMIC MODELING

- ▶ Model calibration: model vs. measurements (waves, currents and tides)
- ▶ Model application
 - Understand existing conditions
 - Evaluate the performance of alternatives

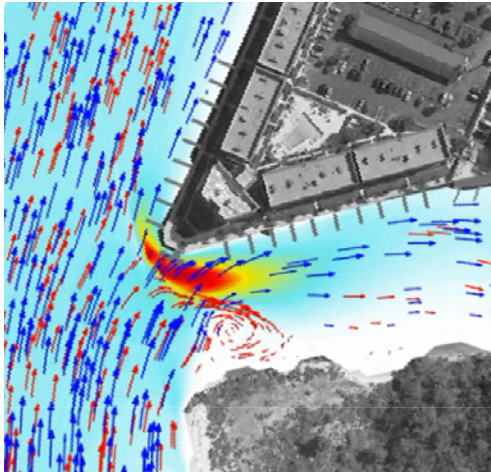


Collier Creek, FL
Flow speed near the surface [ft/s]

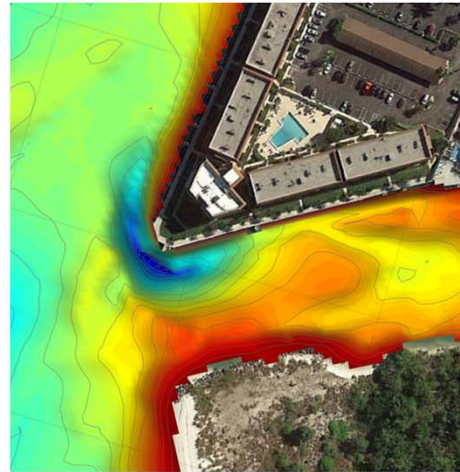




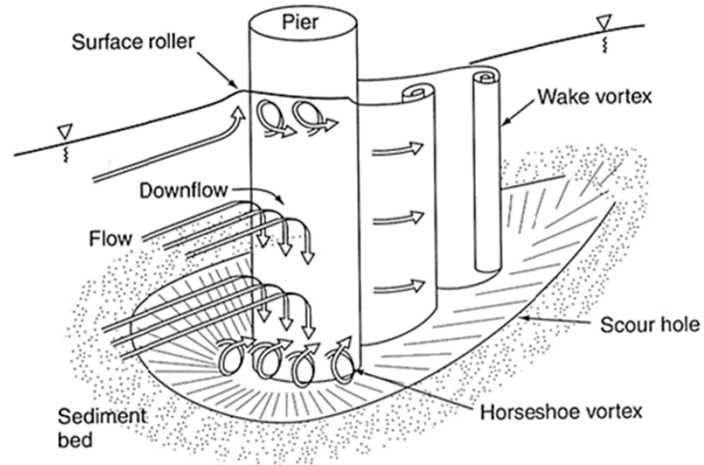
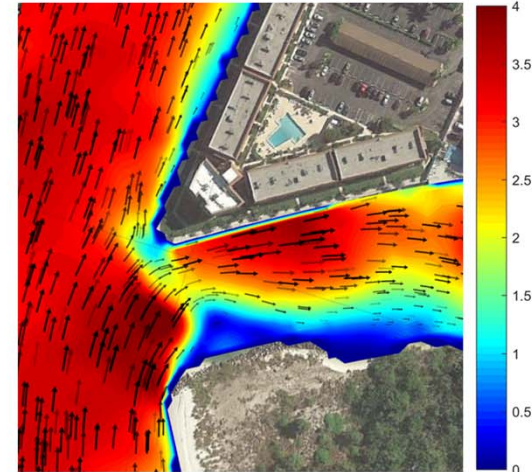
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Bathymetry [feet NAVD]



Current speed [feet/s]



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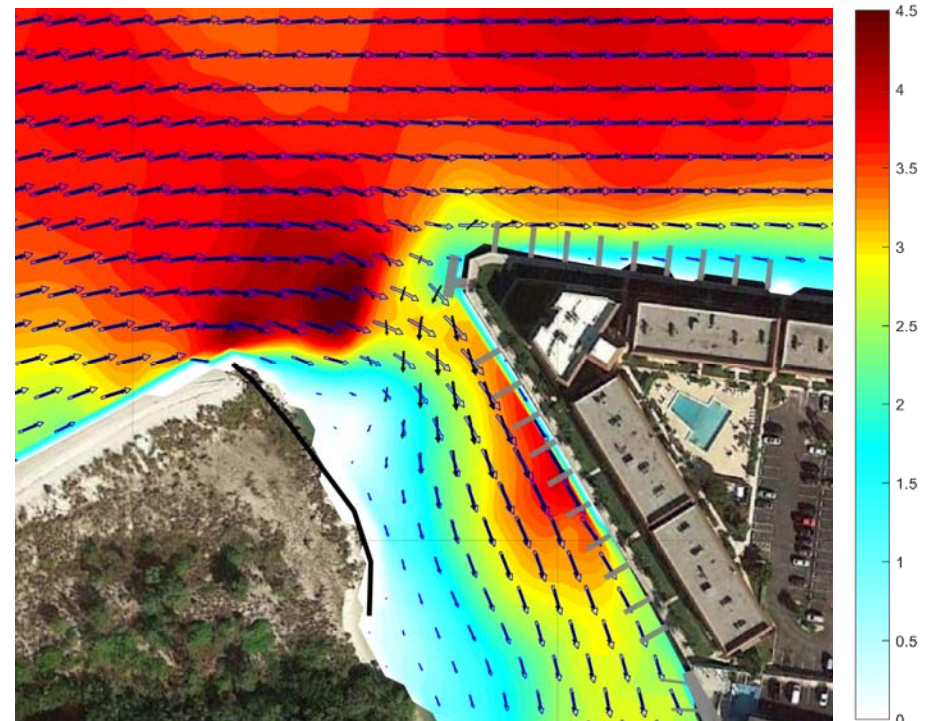
Flood tide → driving conditions

- ▶ Current speed along the piers
- ▶ Cross-current
- ▶ Current along the navigation channel
- ▶ Turbulence (scour & navigation threat)

(overall scoring)

USE MODEL TO TEST ALTERNATIVES

Surface current velocity [feet/second]



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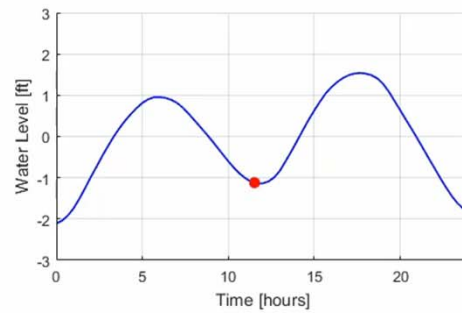
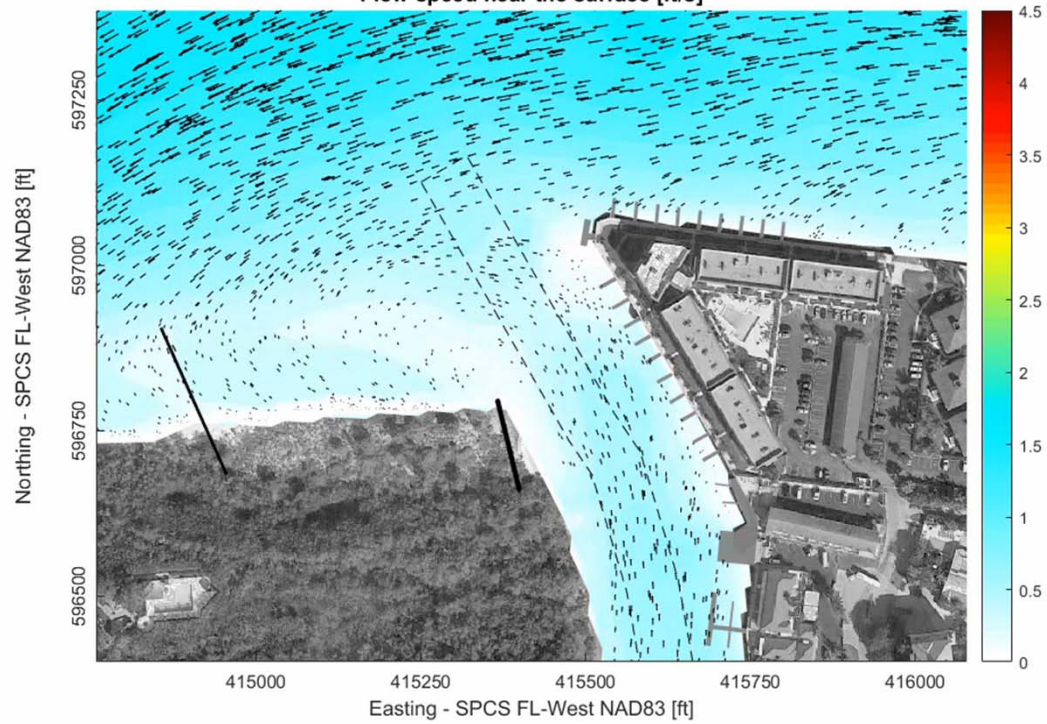
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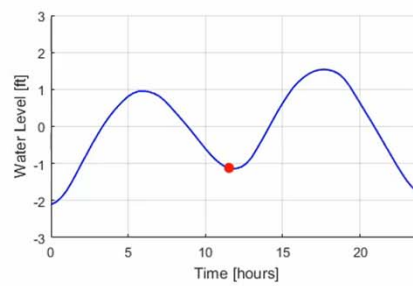
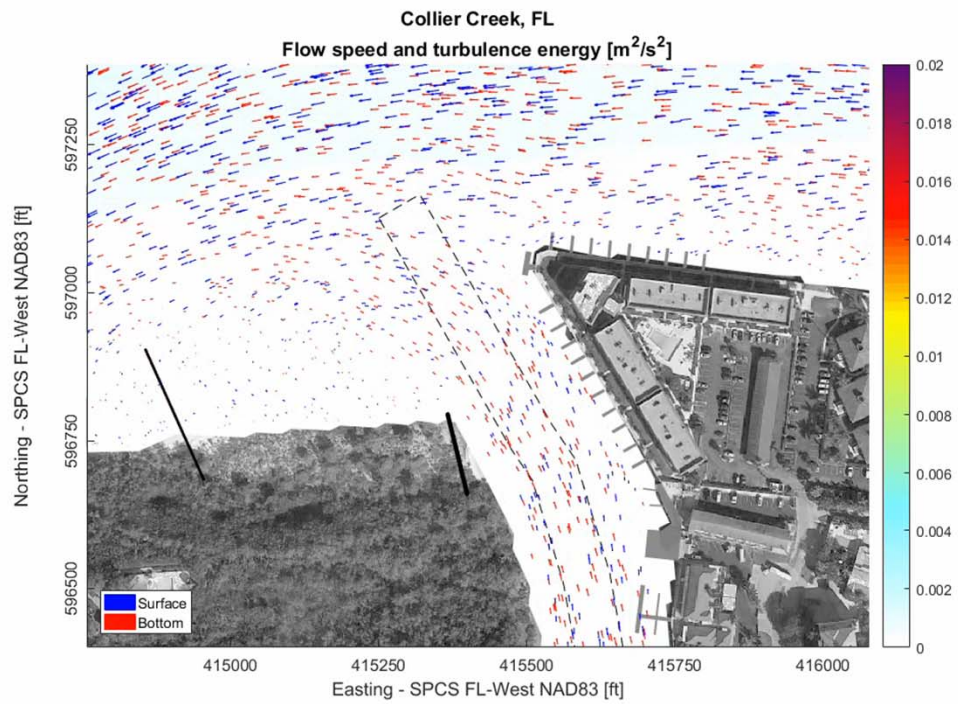
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7x benefit of *baseline* alternative



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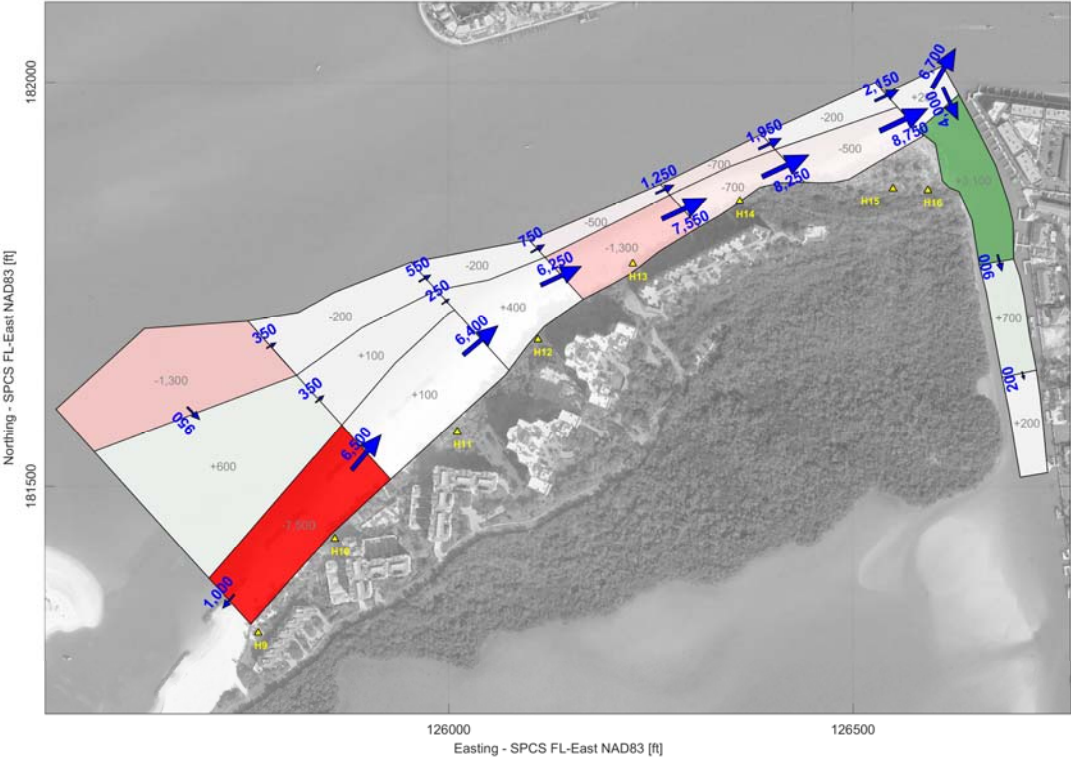
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Model calibration (replicate sed. budget)

2012-2014 Sediment Budget
Hideaway Beach and Collier Creek, FL



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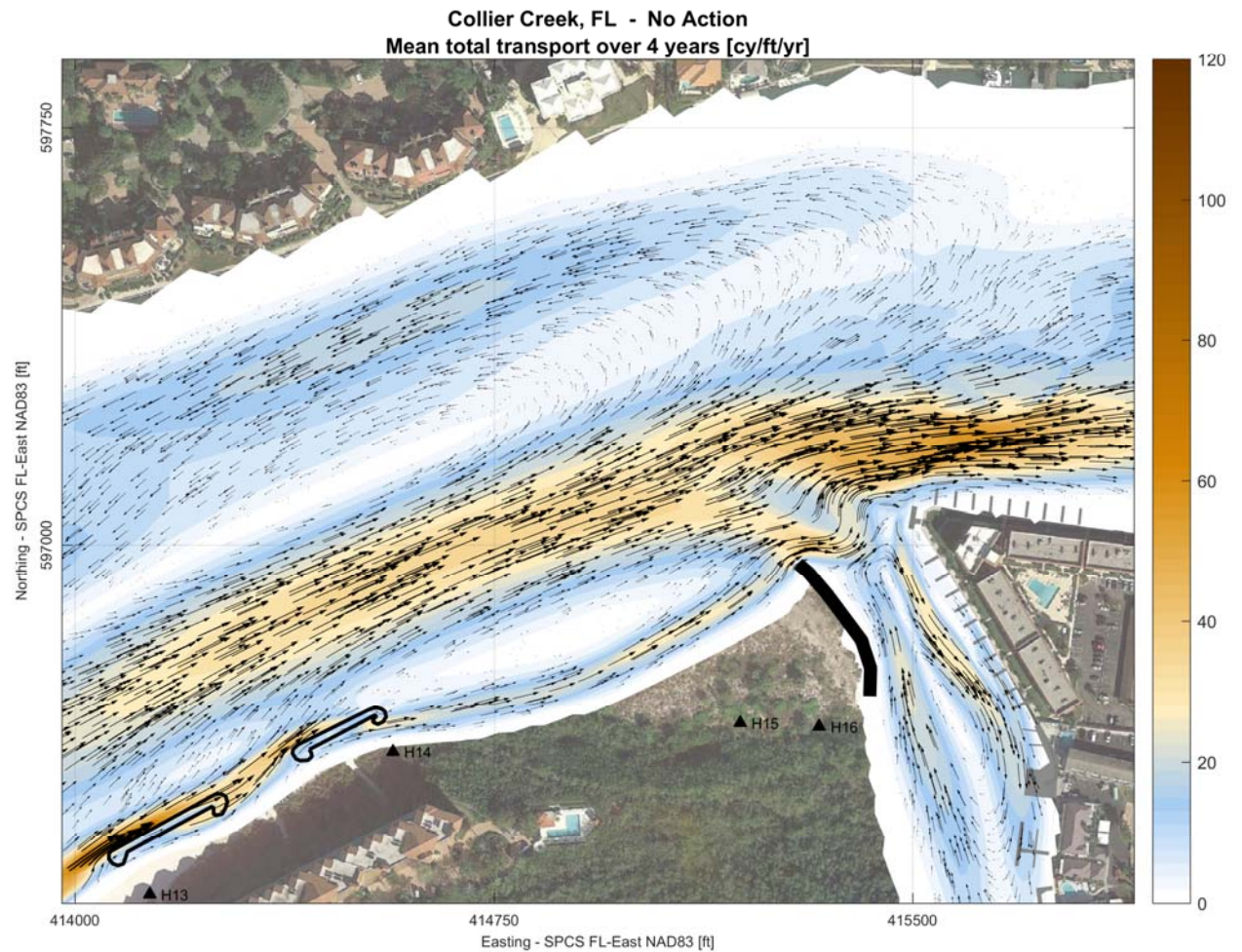
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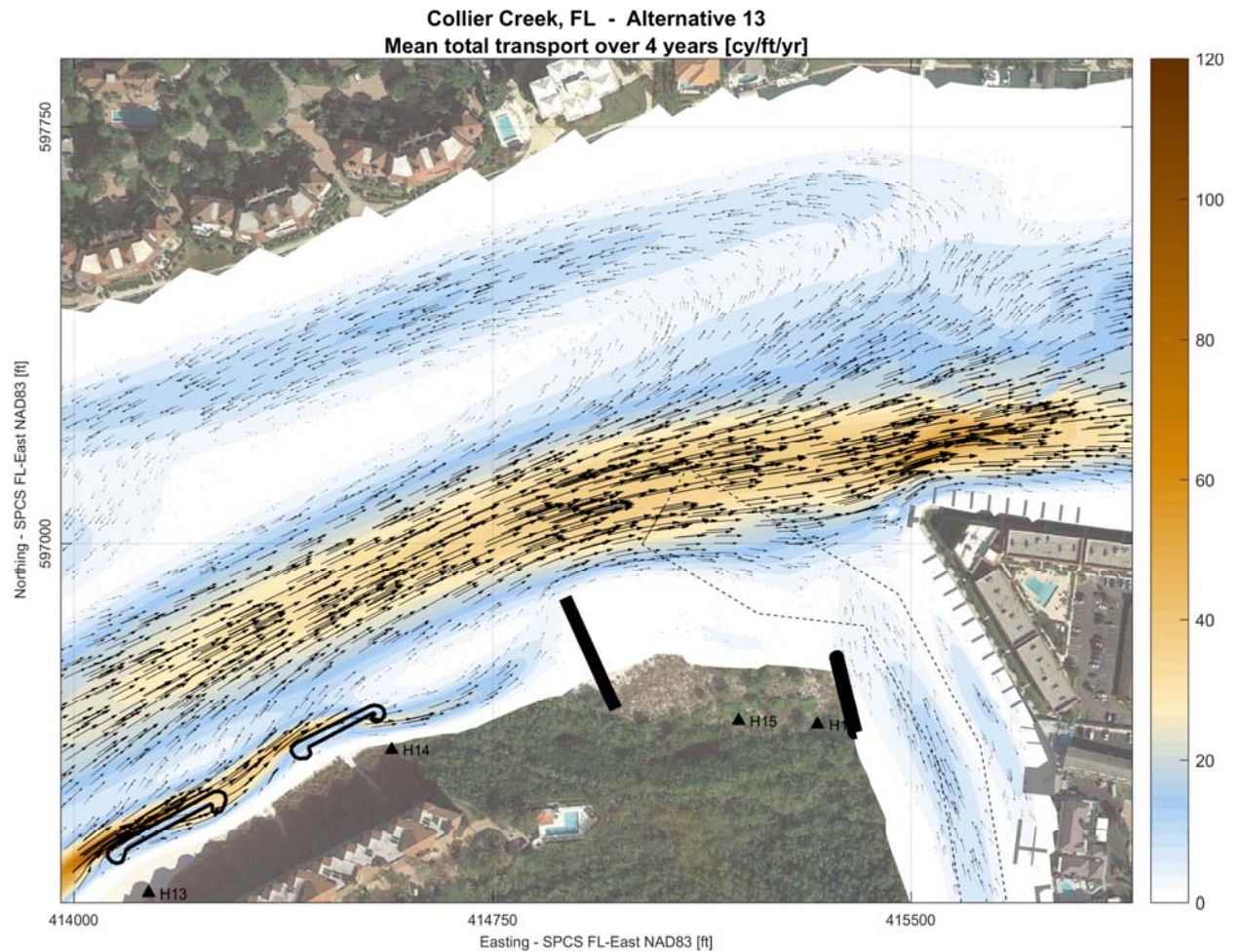
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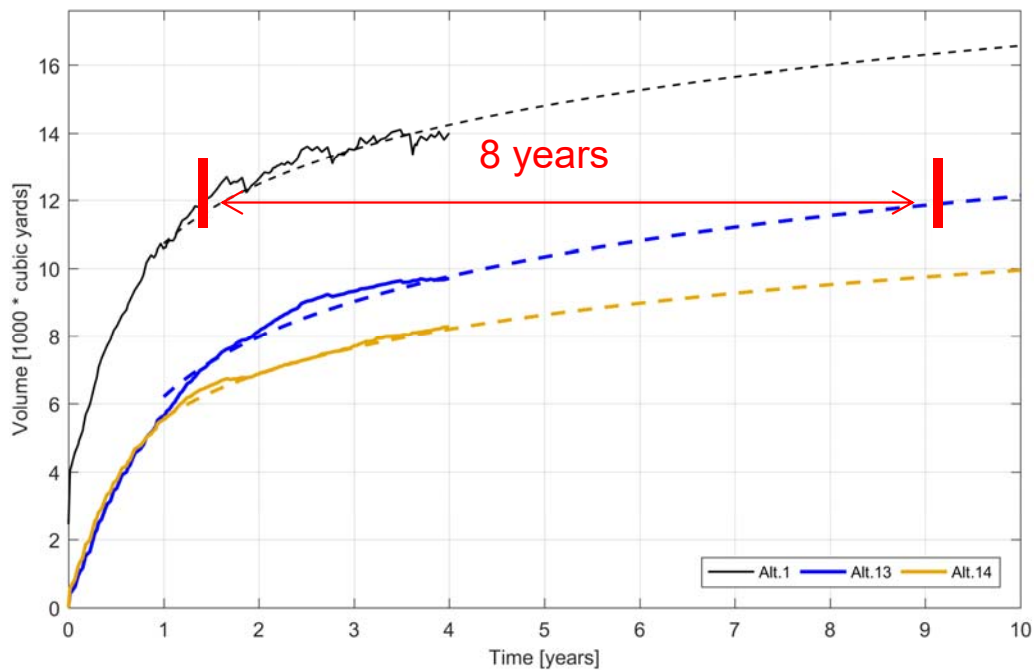
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MORPHOLOGY MODELING



- ▶ Engineering (feasibility and economic analysis)
Cost of Alternative vs. Operational Savings(*)
- ▶ Permitting (pre-consultation is ongoing)



CONCLUSIONS



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Collier Creek's shoaling & scour problem required 3D modeling to illuminate the underlying processes



Results pointed towards a non-intuitive solution that may alleviate the problem



QUESTIONS

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