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Estero Barriers Regional Inlet Management Study, Lee County, FL - 3DCSTM Morphology Modeling

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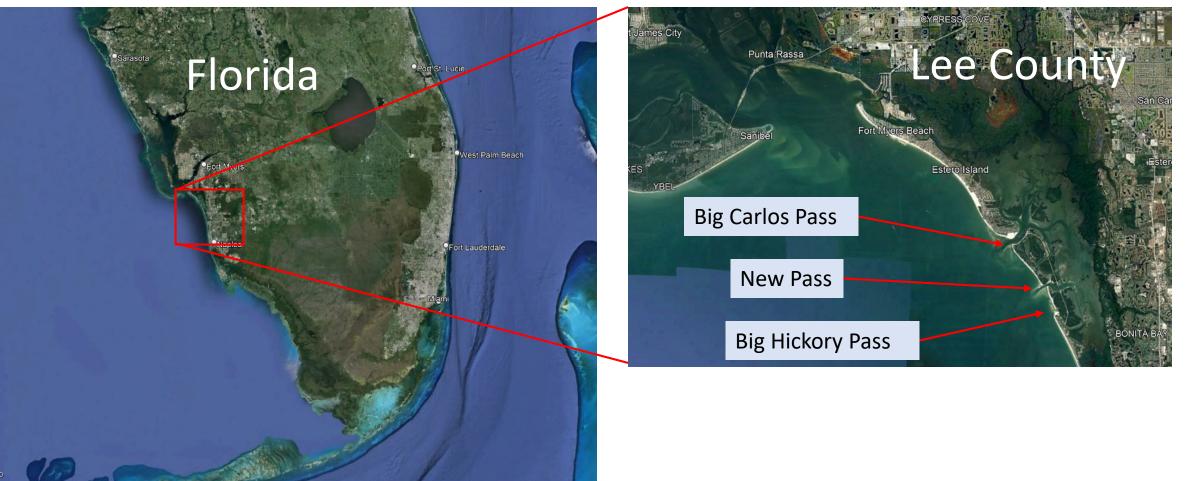


Presentation Outline

- 1. Project Background
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- Regional numerical modeling
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- Hydrodynamic model calibration
- Wave model calibration
- Morphology model calibration
- Application
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Project Background - Project Location



• Located in Lee County, west coast of Florida



Project Background - Project Objective

To develop sediment budgets for three interdependent Estero Barrier inlets within southern Lee County and to evaluate strategies of inlet sediment management, which will result in balancing the sediment budget between the inlets and adjacent beaches pursuant to the requirements of Section 161.142, Florida Statutes.

Project challenge - three interdependent Estero Barrier inlets



Project Background - Project Methodology

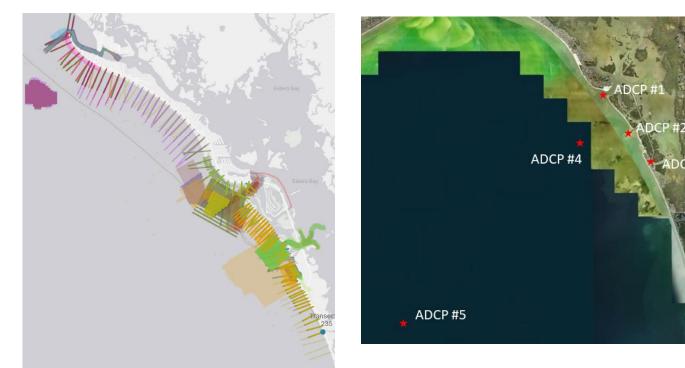
1. Review historical data

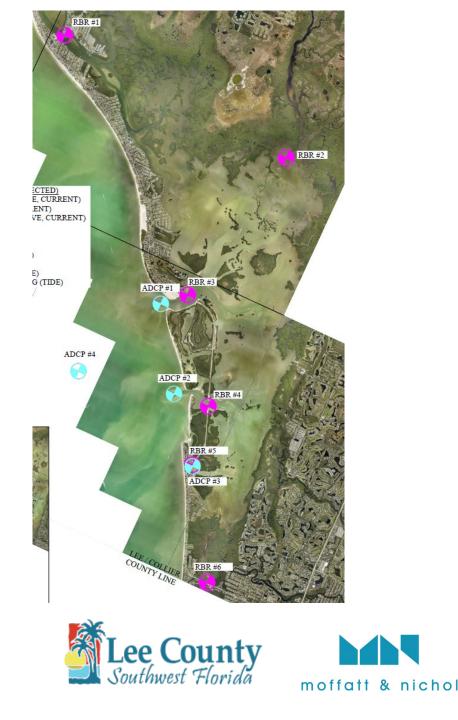
- Winds, waves, water levels, currents, sediment data and bathymetry
- Physical processes and existing studies
- 2. Collect new data
- Waves, water levels, currents
- 3. Coastal numerical modeling
- Regional hydrodynamic model Mike 21
- Regional spectral wave model Mike 21
- Local shoreline change model LITLINE
- Local morphology model Delft3D, 3DCSTM
- 4. Sediment budget analysis



Project Background - Data Collection

- Historical profiles: 2001 2020
- Water Levels: 6 gages, 30 days
- ADCP (Wave and current): 5 stations, 30 days
- Purpose: model calibration





Project Background - Regional Coastal Numerical Modeling

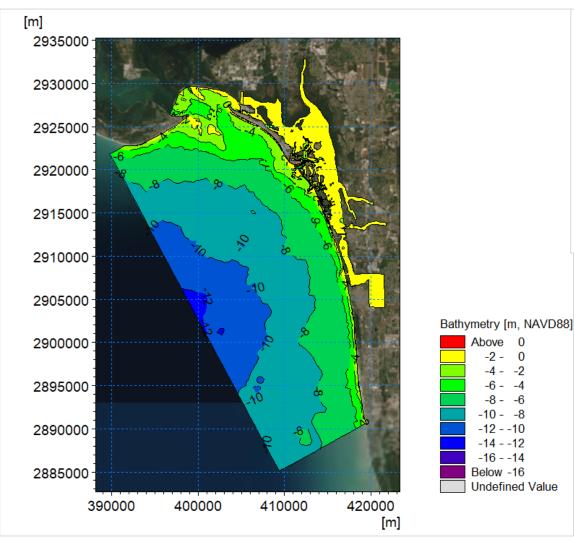
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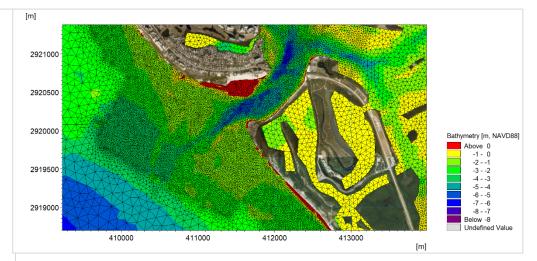
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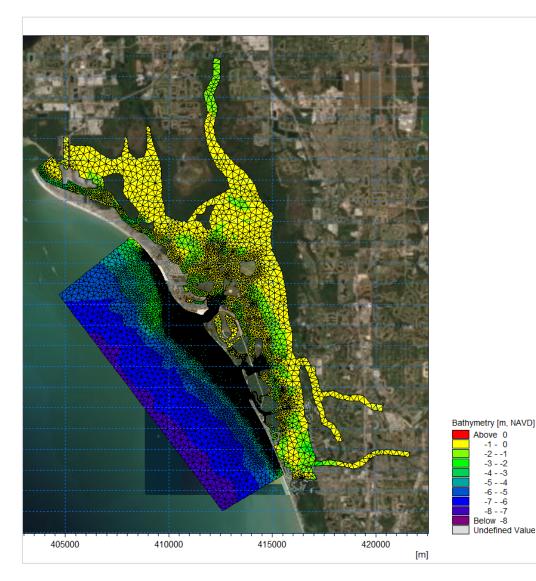


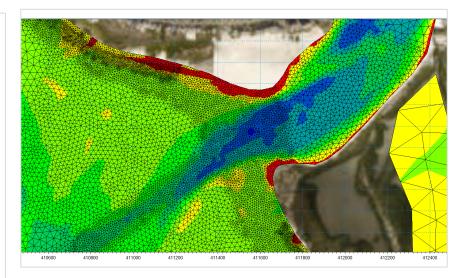
- Regional Mike 21 spectral wave model ٠
- Regional Mike 21 hydrodynamic model ٠
- Model calibration •
- Long-term time series wave transformation from offshore to ٠ nearshore area
- Provide open boundary conditions for local models





3DCSTM Modeling – Model Domain

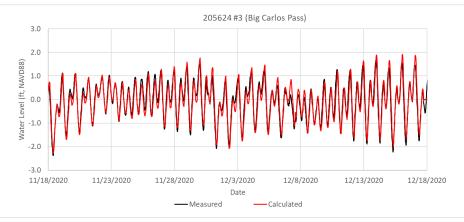




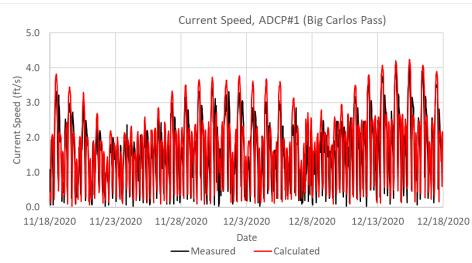
- 1. 3DCSTM model: 3D, flexible mesh, one single model grid, accuracy, efficiency
- 2. Model domain: cover entire Estero Bay area and three passes
- 3. 3D: 5 layers
- 4. More than 105,000 elements
- 5. Model resolution: approximately 1,600 feet offshore, approximately 20 to 30 feet at project site Southwest Florida

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3DCSTM Modeling – Hydrodynamic Model Calibration



Water Level	Location	MAE [ft]	RMSE [ft]	R	BSS
	RBR #1 (Matanza Pass)	0.19	0.23	0.97	0.92
	RBR #2 (Bay)	0.26	0.32	0.95	0.84
	RBR #3 (Big Carlos Pass)	0.23	0.28	0.93	0.87
	RBR #4 (New Pass)	0.28	0.34	0.90	0.81
	RBR #5 (Big Hickory Pass)	0.31	0.37	0.88	0.76
	RBR #6 (Bridge Site)	0.15	0.19	0.94	0.88



Current speed	Location	MAE [ft/sec]	RMSE [ft/sec]	R	BSS
	ADCP #1 (Big Carlos Pass)	0.67	0.83	0.62	0.80
	ADCP #2 (New Pass)	0.49	0.66	0.80	0.86
	ADCP #3 (Big Hickory Pass)	0.30	0.36	0.35	0.74

MAE – Mean absolute error, RMSE – Root mean square error

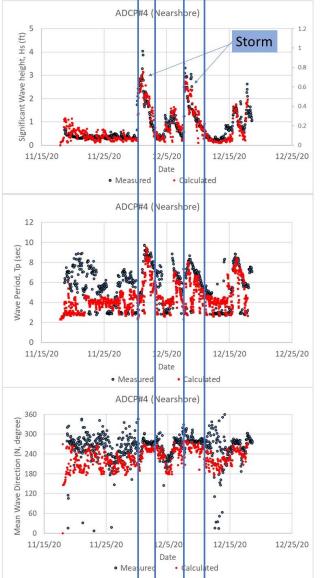
R – Correlation coefficient, BSS – Brier Skill Score

Good agreements between calculated and measured data





3DCSTM Modeling – Wave Model Calibration



Item	Location	MAE [unit]	RMSE [unit]	R	BSS
ADCP#1 (Big Carlos Pass)	Significant wave height [ft]	0.20	0.28	0.63	0.54
	Peak wave period [sec]	1.68	2.15	0.20	0.76
ADCP#2 (New Pass)	Significant wave height [ft]	0.24	0.32	0.77	0.68
	Peak wave period [sec]	1.57	1.98	0.44	0.79
ADCP#4 (Nearshore)	Significant wave height [ft]	0.22	0.31	0.90	0.91
	Peak wave period [sec]	1.69	2.17	0.38	0.86

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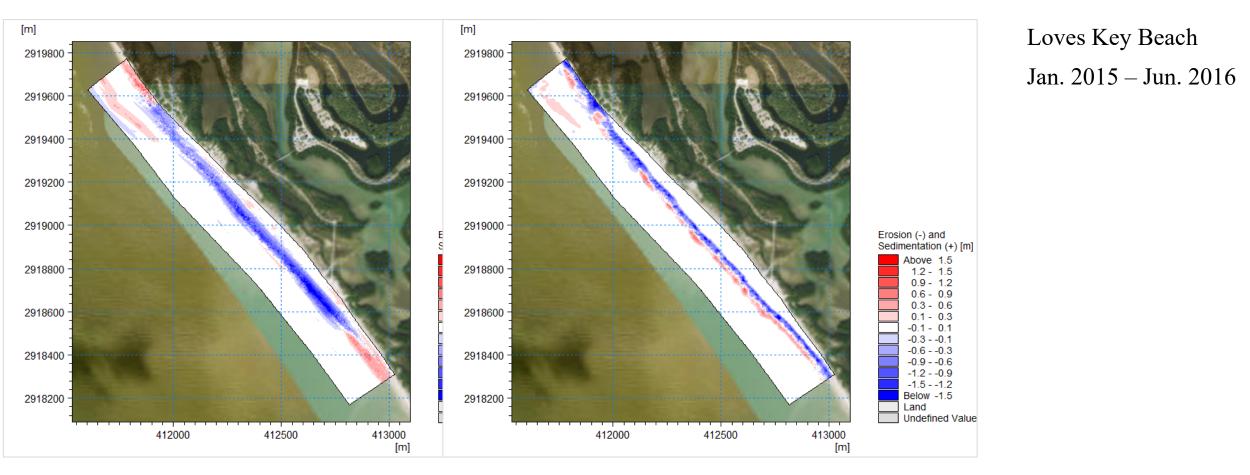






- Loves key beach
- Bonita Beach
- Big Carlos Pass ebb shoal

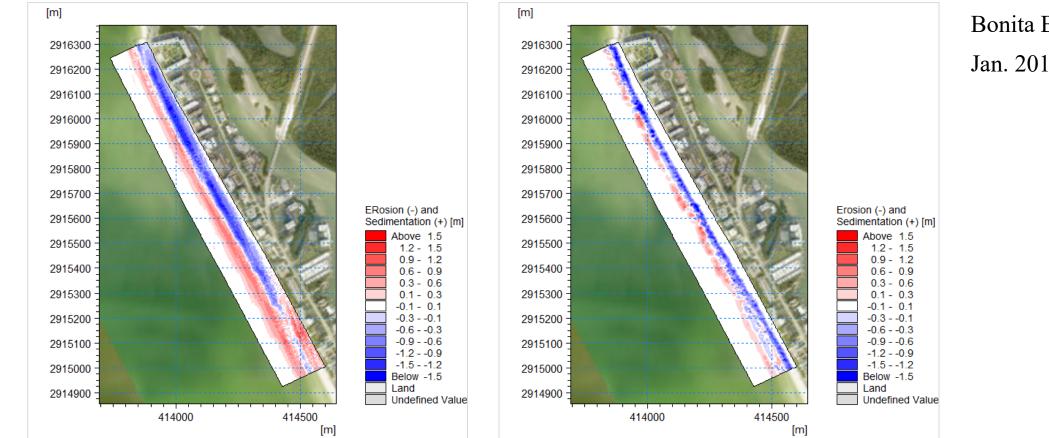




Measured bed level changes

Calculated bed level changes





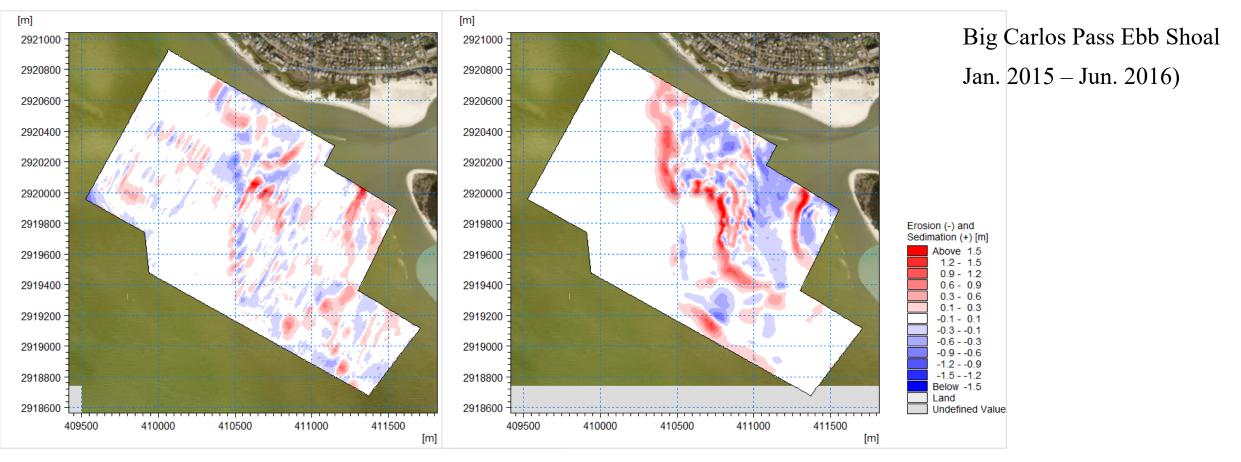
Bonita Beach Jan. 2015 – Jun. 2016

Measured bed level changes

Calculated bed level changes





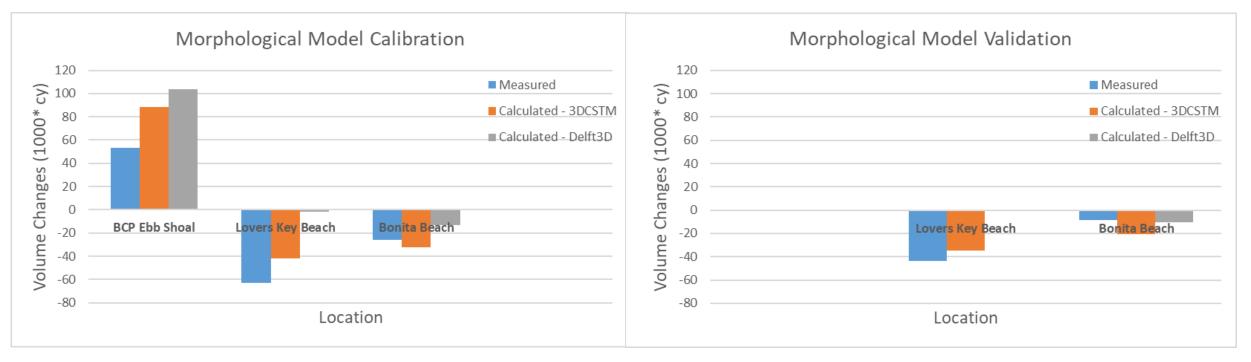


Measured bed level changes

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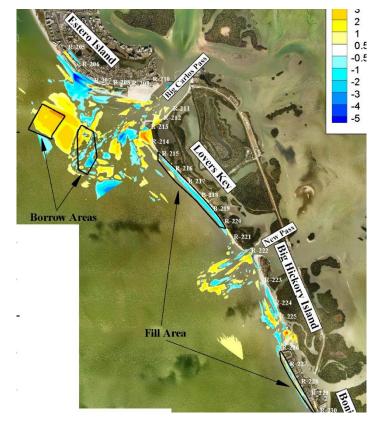
Model calibration: Jan. 2015 – Jun. 2016

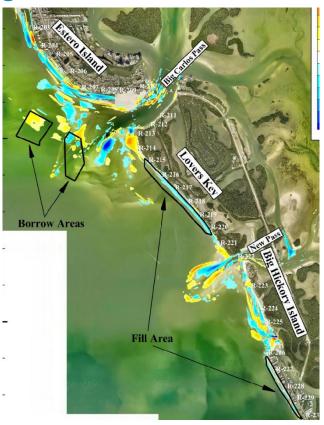
Model validation: Oct. 2017 – Jul. 2018

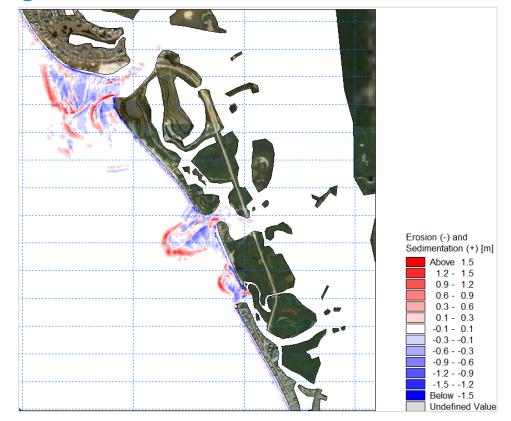
Delft3D model: almost no volume change at Lovers Key Beach



3DCSTM Modeling – Bed Level Change Pattern







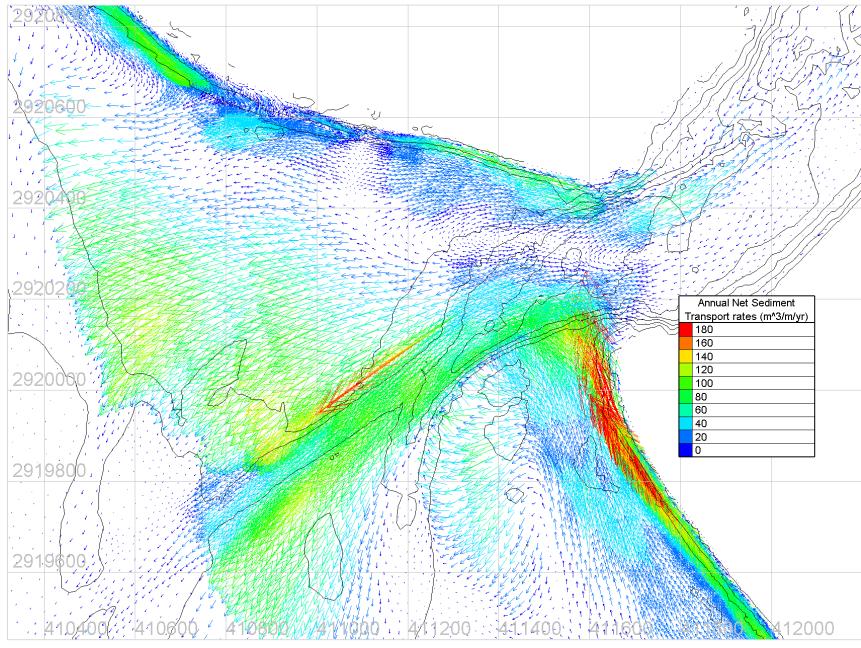
Measured bed level change 2018–2019

Measured bed level change 2020–2021

Calculated annual bed level change (2013)





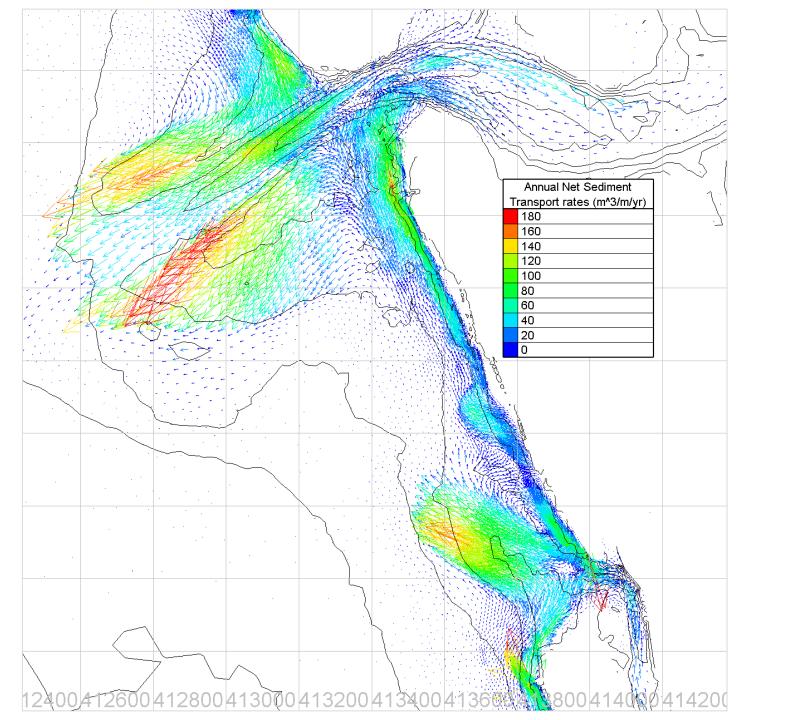


Annual net sediment transport rates:

- Big Carlos Pass
- Where the eroded material go?
- Where the deposited material come from?



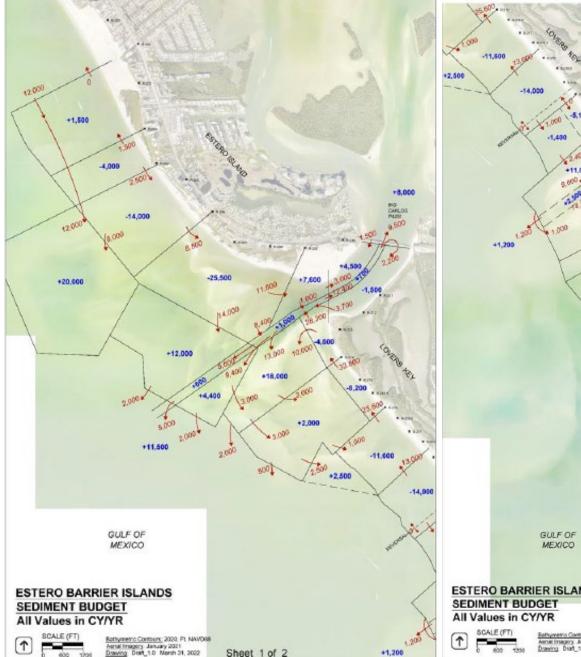




Annual net sediment transport rates:

- New pass
- Where the eroded material go?
- Where the deposited material come from?







Sediment Budget Analysis

- 1. Dr. Kevin Bodge (Olsen)
- 2. Provide detailed sediment budget in 3 passes, along 4 beaches, and at flood shoal and ebb shoal
- 3. Sediment budget analysis was based on data:
- Historical volume changes
- Annual sediment transport rates from LITLINE shoreline model
- Annual net sediment transport rates from 3DCSTM model





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