

Plan Formulation Workshop for Levee Alignments and Coastal Restoration Features

Lafayette, LA

February 13-14, 2006

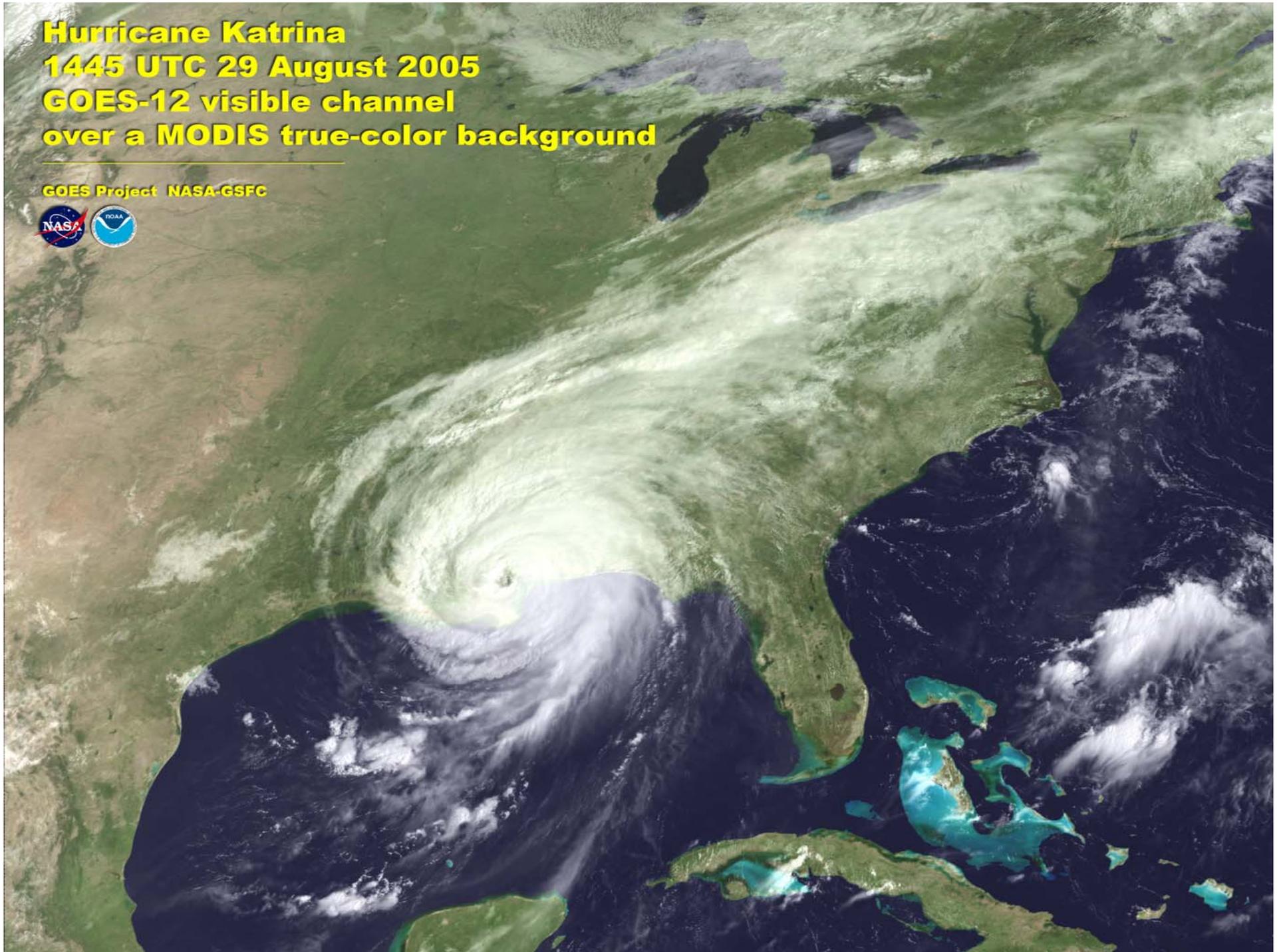
Brief Summary Of Workshop Held In Vicksburg, MS Dec 20-21, 2005



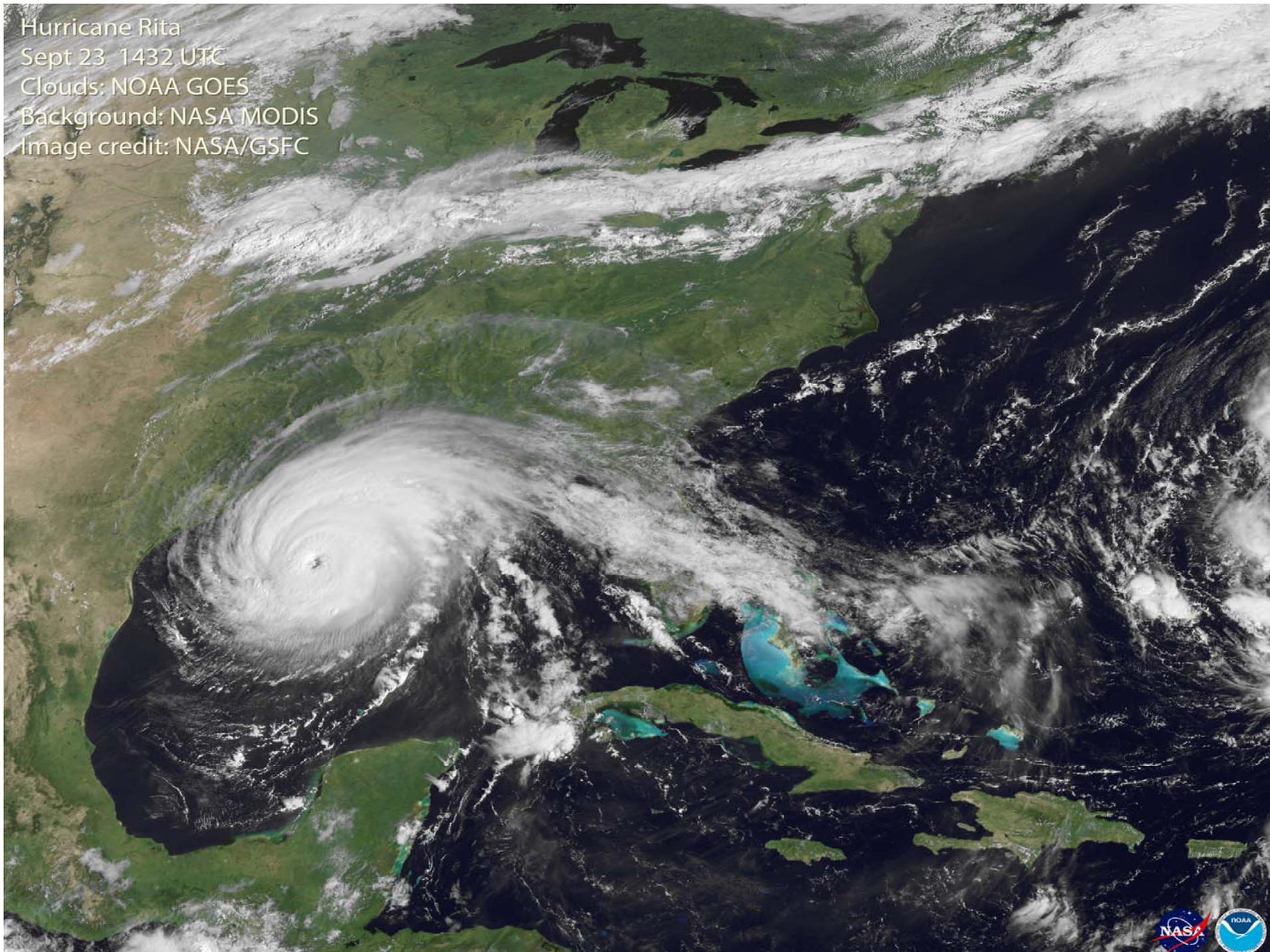
US Army Corps
of Engineers

Hurricane Katrina
1445 UTC 29 August 2005
GOES-12 visible channel
over a MODIS true-color background

GOES Project NASA-GSFC



Hurricane Rita
Sept 23 1432 UTC
Clouds: NOAA GOES
Background: NASA MODIS
Image credit: NASA/GSFC



Public Law 109-103

Energy and Water Development Appropriations Act, 2006

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Corps of Engineers--Civil

The following appropriations shall be expended under the direction of the Secretary of the Army and the supervision of the Chief of Engineers for authorized civil functions of the Department of the Army pertaining to rivers and harbors, flood control, shore protection and storm damage reduction, aquatic ecosystem restoration, and related purposes.

INVESTIGATIONS

....That using \$8,000,000 of the funds provided herein, the Secretary of the Army, acting through the Chief of Engineers, is directed to conduct a comprehensive hurricane protection study at full Federal expense to develop and present a full range of flood, coastal and hurricane protection measures exclusive of normal policy considerations for south Louisiana and the Secretary shall submit a feasibility report for short-term protection within 6 months of enactment of this Act, interim protection within 12 months of enactment of this Act and long-term comprehensive protection within 24 months of enactment of this Act: *Provided further*, That the Secretary shall consider providing protection for a storm surge equivalent to a Category 5 hurricane within the project area and may submit reports on component areas of the larger protection program for authorization as soon as practicable: *Provided further*, That the analysis shall be conducted in close coordination with the State of Louisiana and its appropriate agencies.

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Saffir-Simpson Scale

Category 1	74 – 95 mph winds
Category 2	96 – 110 mph winds
Category 3	111 – 130 mph winds
Category 4	131 – 155 mph winds
Category 5	155+ mph winds

Category 5 Workshop 20-21 Dec 2005
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Winds - Tropical Cyclones

Water Levels – Storm Surge

Waves – Design Wave Heights

Risk– Frequency of Occurrence



Hurricane Intensity and Structure - Prediction and Importance

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HURRICANE KATRINA WIND FIELDS

Mark Powell

NOAA Hurricane Research Division, Miami FL

The use of computational models in
water control of The Netherlands
Guus Stelling, Vicksburg, December 2005





COMPUTATIONAL HYDRAULICS
LABORATORY *at Notre Dame*

Storm Surge Prediction in Southern Louisiana

Joannes Westerink and Shintaro Bunya
University of Notre Dame

Rick Luetlich
University of North Carolina – Chapel Hill

Clint Dawson
University of Texas - Austin

ERDC Category 5 Hurricane Workshop

December 20, 2005



Hurricane Protection Design Workshop

Vicksburg, MS

Dec. 20-21, 2005

Dr. Wilson (Will) Shaffer

NATIONAL WEATHER SERVICE



Hurricane Risk for the Northern Gulf Coast

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Estimating Storm Frequency



Don Resio

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**Hurricane Protection Design Workshop
December 20-21, 2005**

Assessing Hurricane Risk along the US Coastline

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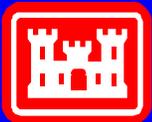
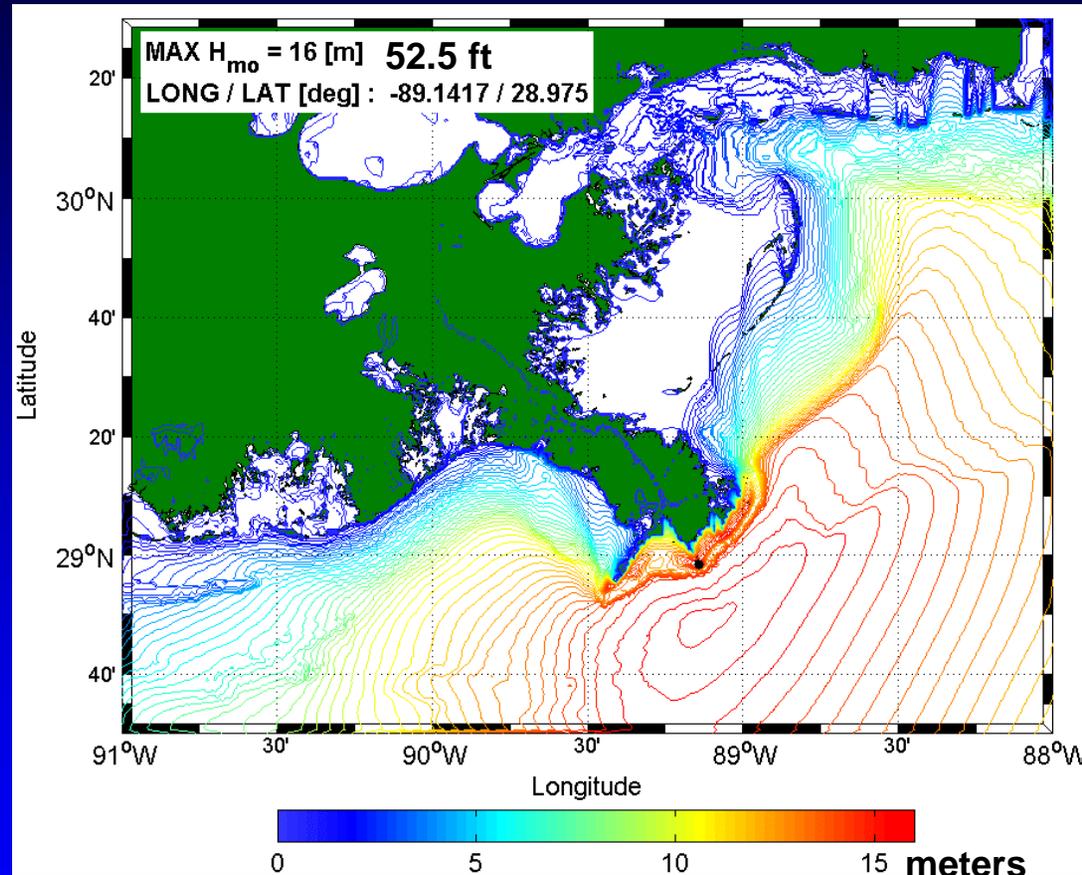
Effect of waves and morphology on boundary conditions

New Orleans Hurricane Protection Design Workshop,
20-21 December, 2005

Prof. Dano Roelvink
UNESCO-IHE, Delft Hydraulics and Delft
University of Technology



Wave Prediction in Southeast Louisiana



J.M. Smith, R.E. Jensen, and A.R. Sherlock

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A selection of Slides taken from the
Workshop presentations follows:

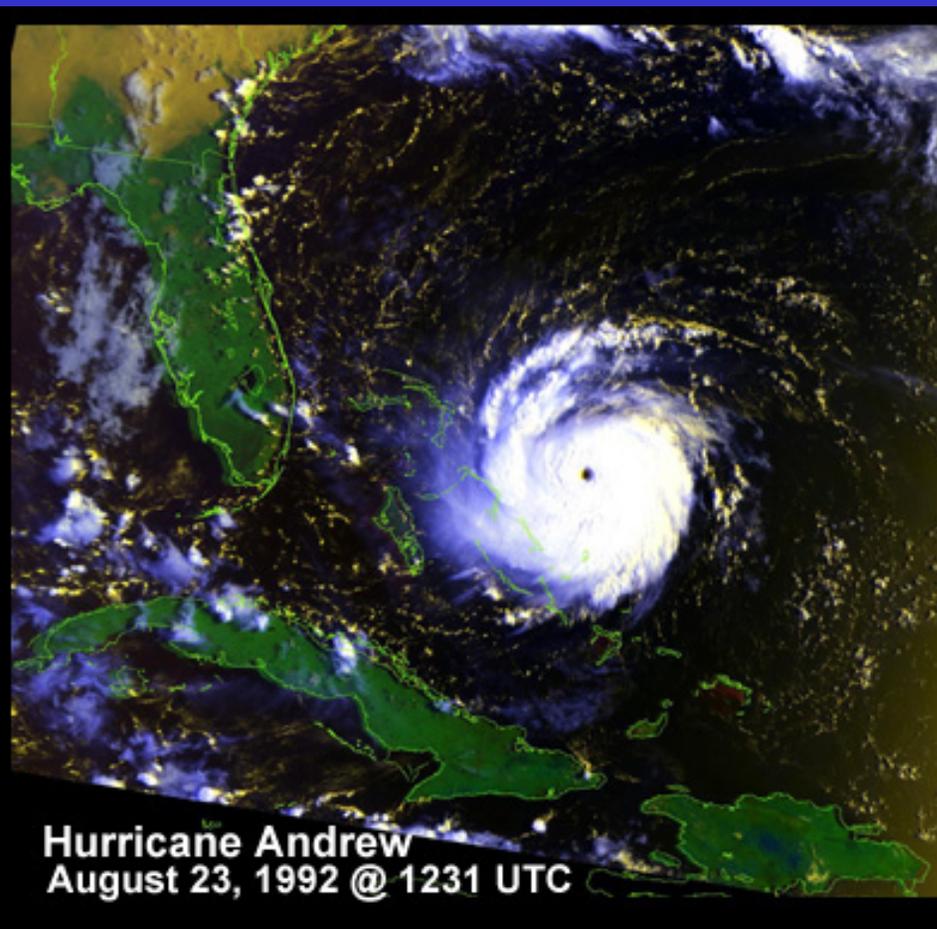
Tropical Cyclone Intensity

- The intensity is the maximum sustained wind anywhere in the cyclone
- These maximum sustained winds normally cover only a limited area near the center of the cyclone
- Generally, the stronger the cyclone, the closer the maximum winds are to the center

Structure and Intensity Variability

930 mb

933 mb



Maximum winds: 105 kt

TS Force winds: 250 n mi

Maximum winds: 145 kt

TS Force winds: 75 n mi

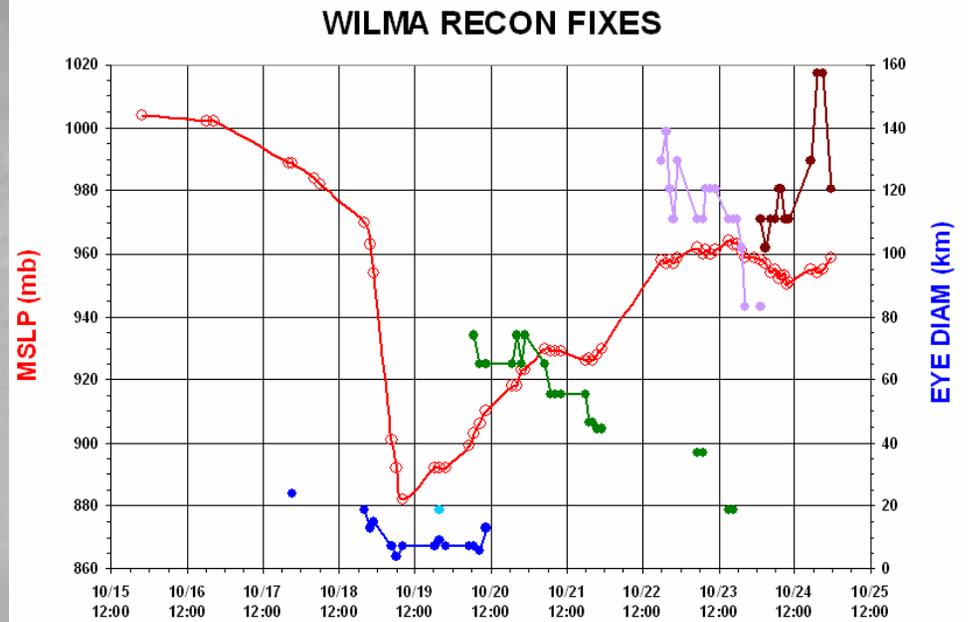
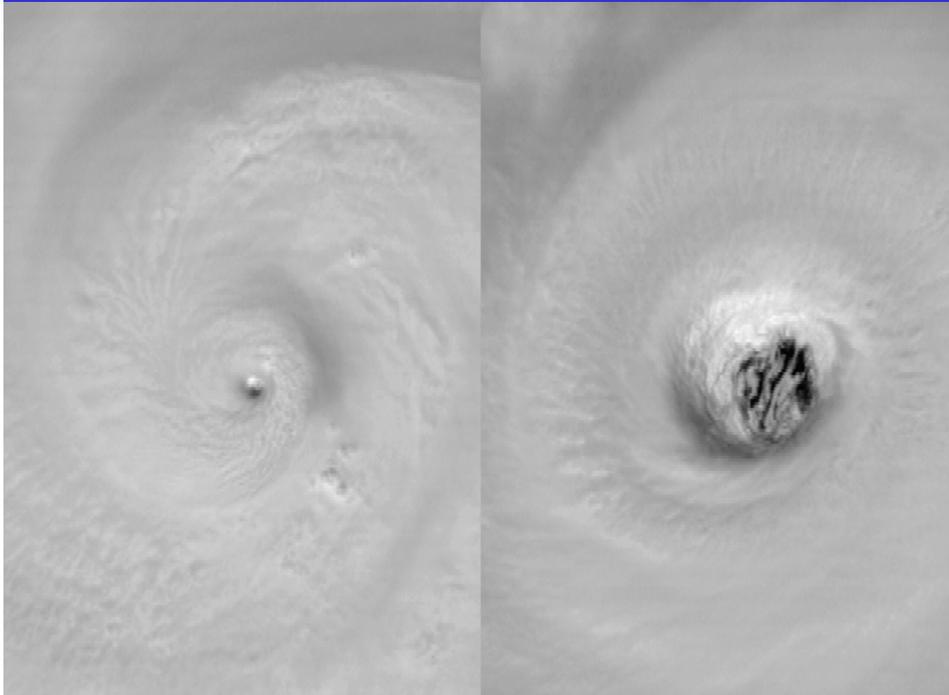
Tropical Cyclone Structure

- Shows tremendous storm-to-storm variability
- Can also show tremendous variability in any given storm
- As a generality, tropical cyclones get larger with time, increasing intensity, and increasing latitude
- Two important elements are the overall size of the wind field and the radius of maximum winds (RMW)

Radius of Maximum Wind

- The distance of the maximum sustained winds from the center of the cyclone - usually just outside the eye of a hurricane
- The TPC does not forecast the RMW quantitatively, and the qualitative forecast skill would be low
- The TPC Sea-Lake and Overland Surge from Hurricanes (SLOSH) model is very sensitive to this parameter
- While small storms will generally have relatively small RMW's, large storms can have a variety of RMW sizes ranging from very small to very large

Changes In The Eye of Wilma



GOES-12 VIS 17:45 UTC 19 OCT 2005

GOES-12 VIS 17:45 UTC 21 OCT 2005

**Pinhole eye on 19
October**

**Larger eye after
eyewall cycle**

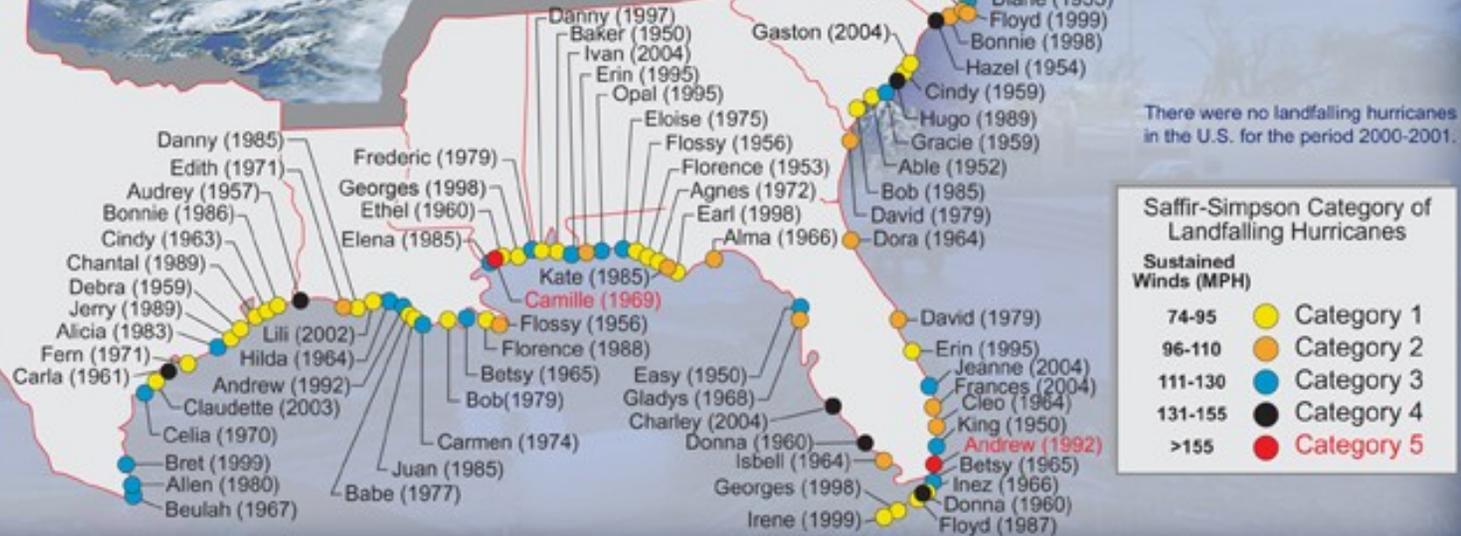
Pressure and eye size evolution

Importance of Structure on Surge and Waves

- **Generally, for storms of equal intensity the amount and aerial coverage of storm surge increases as the RMW gets larger**
- **Generally, for storms of equal intensity the amount and aerial coverage of storm surge increases as the overall size increases**
- **Larger RMW's and overall sizes generally mean larger fetch areas for wave generation**



CONTINENTAL UNITED STATES LANDFALLING HURRICANES 1950-2004



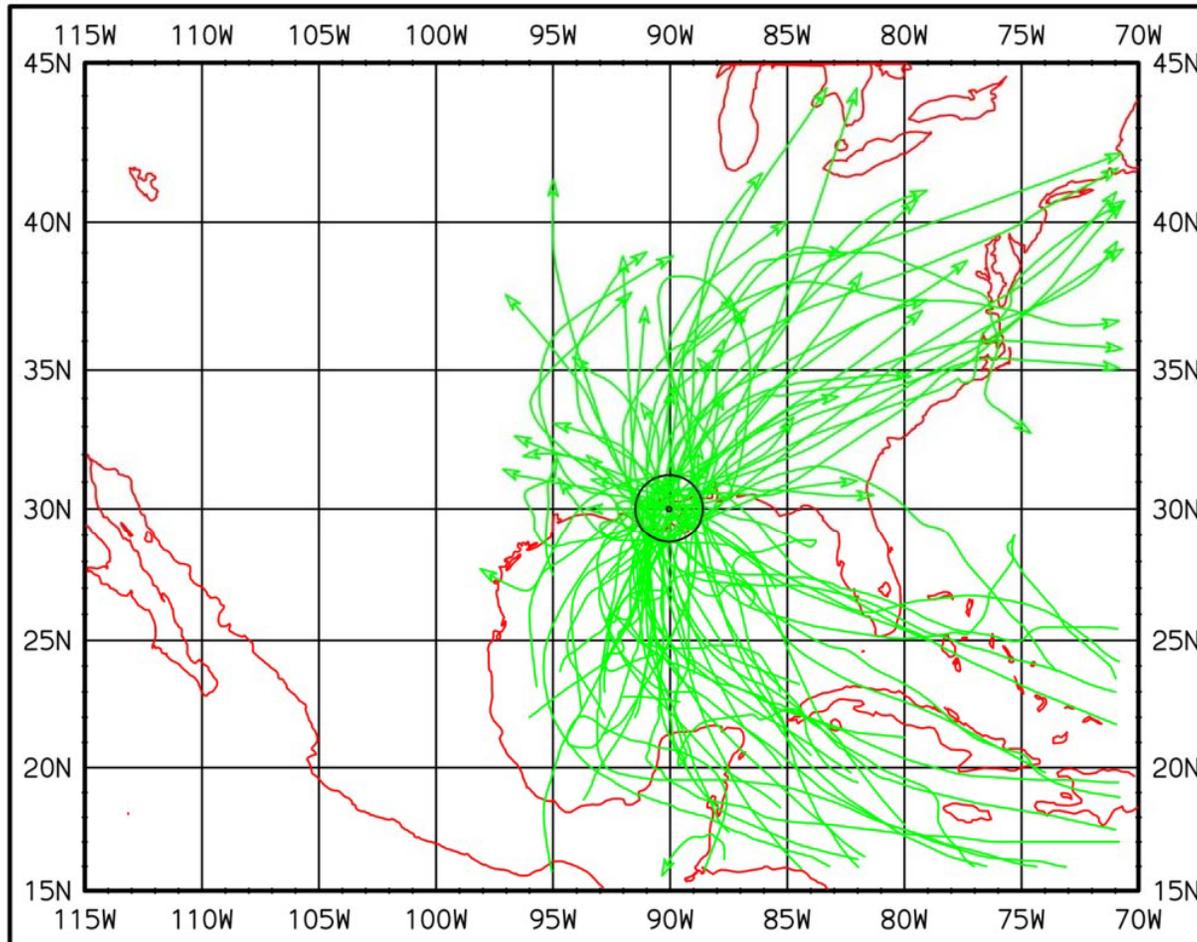
NOAA'S NATIONAL CLIMATIC DATA CENTER, ASHEVILLE, NORTH CAROLINA

Protecting the Past... Revealing the Future



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Tropical Storms and Hurricanes Near New Orleans 1886-2003

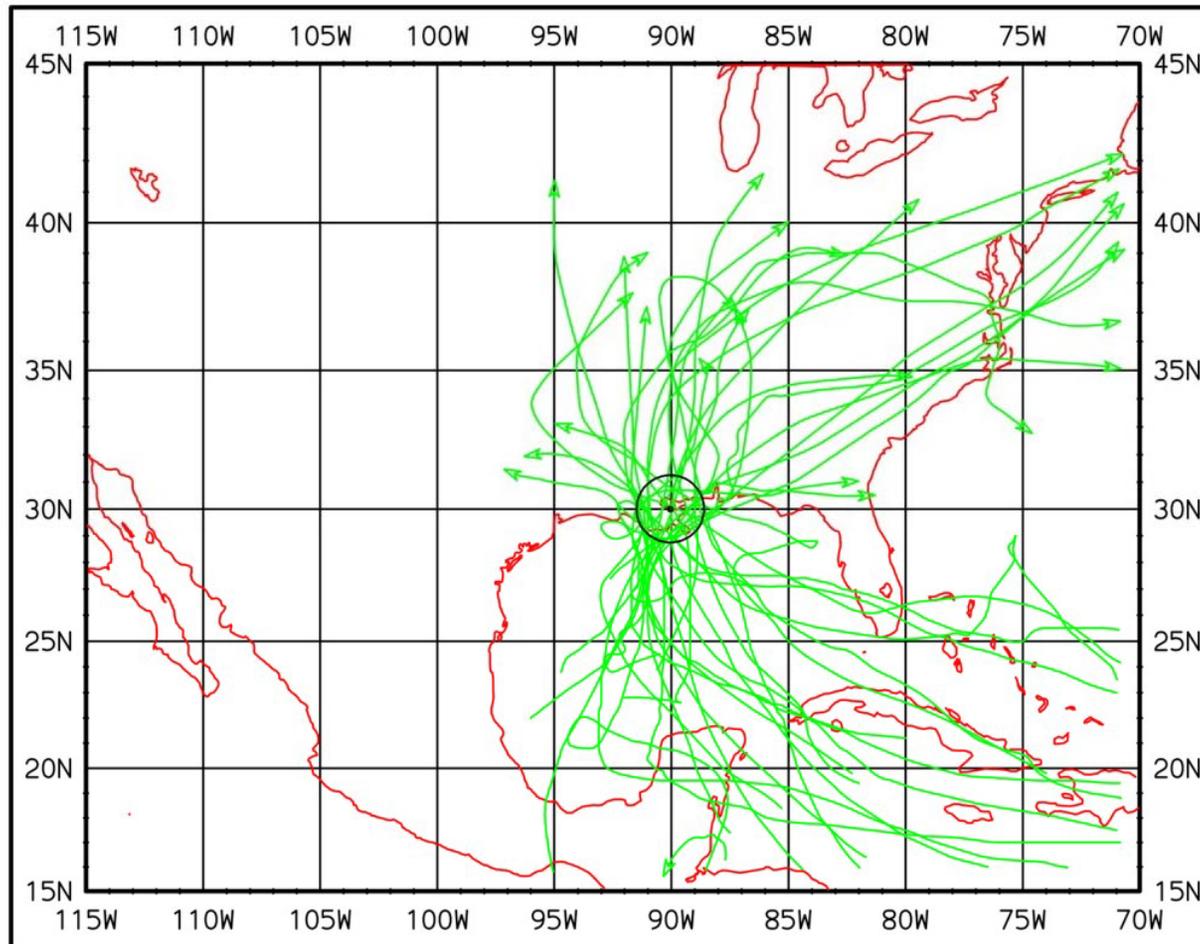


TROPICAL STORMS AND HURRICANES PASSING WITHIN 75 NMi OF NEW ORLEANS, 1886-2003
NUMBER OF STORMS IS 58

CHART 2

Hurricanes

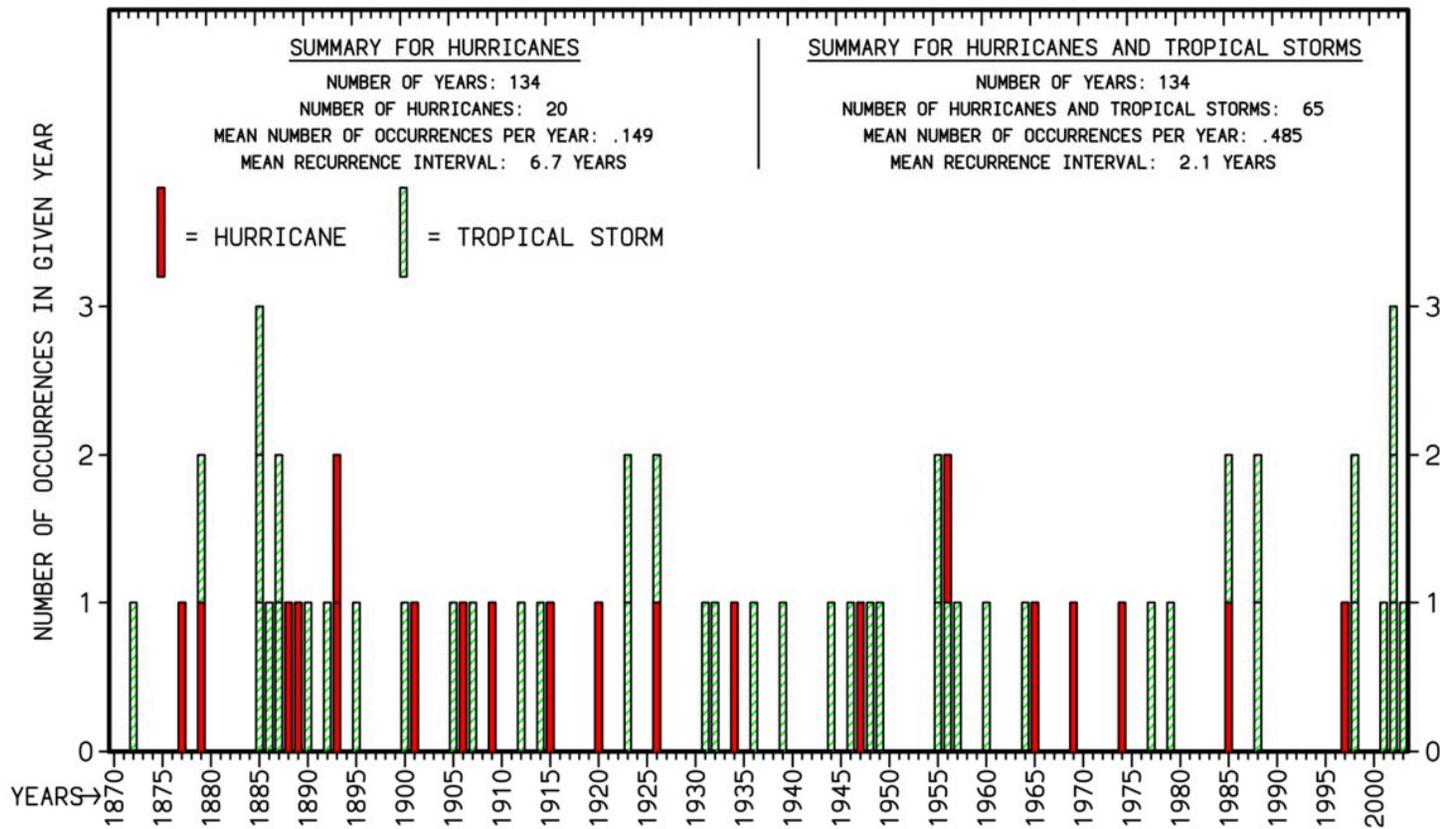
Near New Orleans 1886-2003



HURRICANES PASSING WITHIN 75 NMI OF NEW ORLEANS, 1886-2003
NUMBER OF STORMS IS 28

CHART 3

Tropical Storms and Hurricanes Near New Orleans 1886-2003



CHRONOLOGY OF THE 65
 TROPICAL STORMS AND HURRICANES PASSING WITHIN 75 NMi OF NEW ORLEANS, 1870-2003

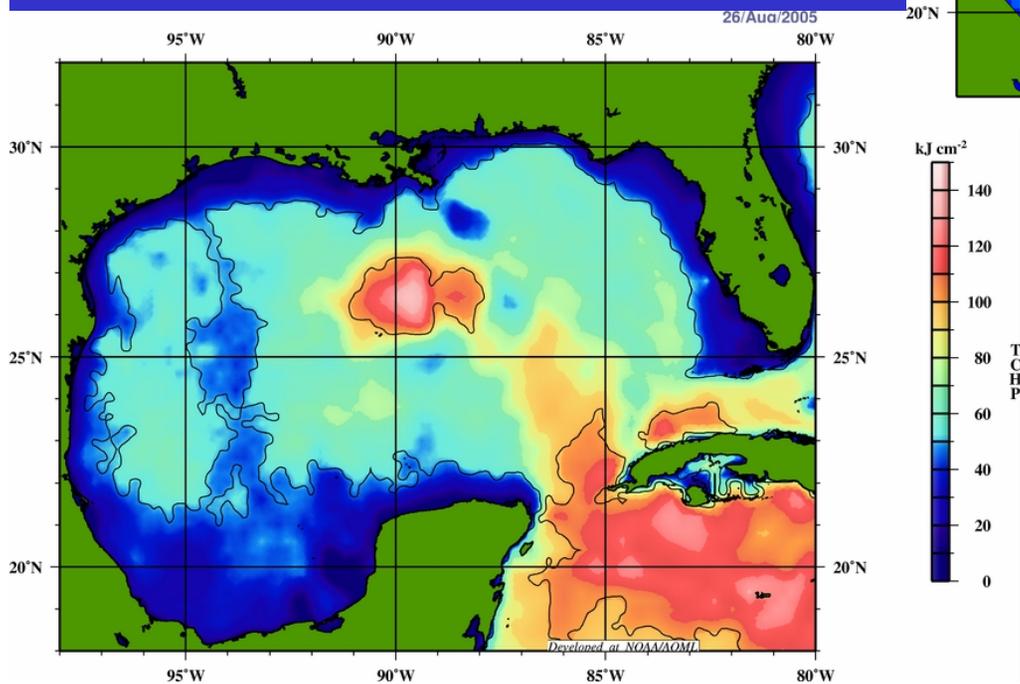
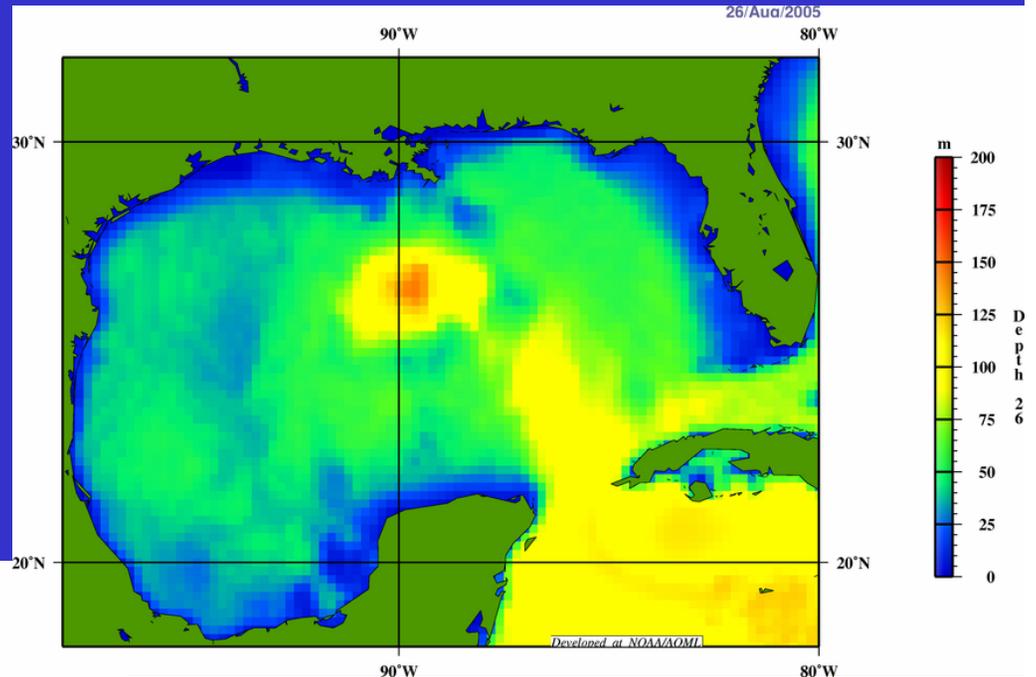
(Note: Designation as tropical storm or hurricane is at time of closest point of approach to site.)

Role of The Loop Current

- **The Loop Current is a normally-occurring deep warm water eddy in the central Gulf of Mexico**
- **This feature has a large reservoir of oceanic energy to supply to hurricanes**
- **Hurricanes Camille, Katrina, and Rita had significant portions of their tracks over the Loop Current**

Role of The Loop Current

Depth of 26C Isotherm

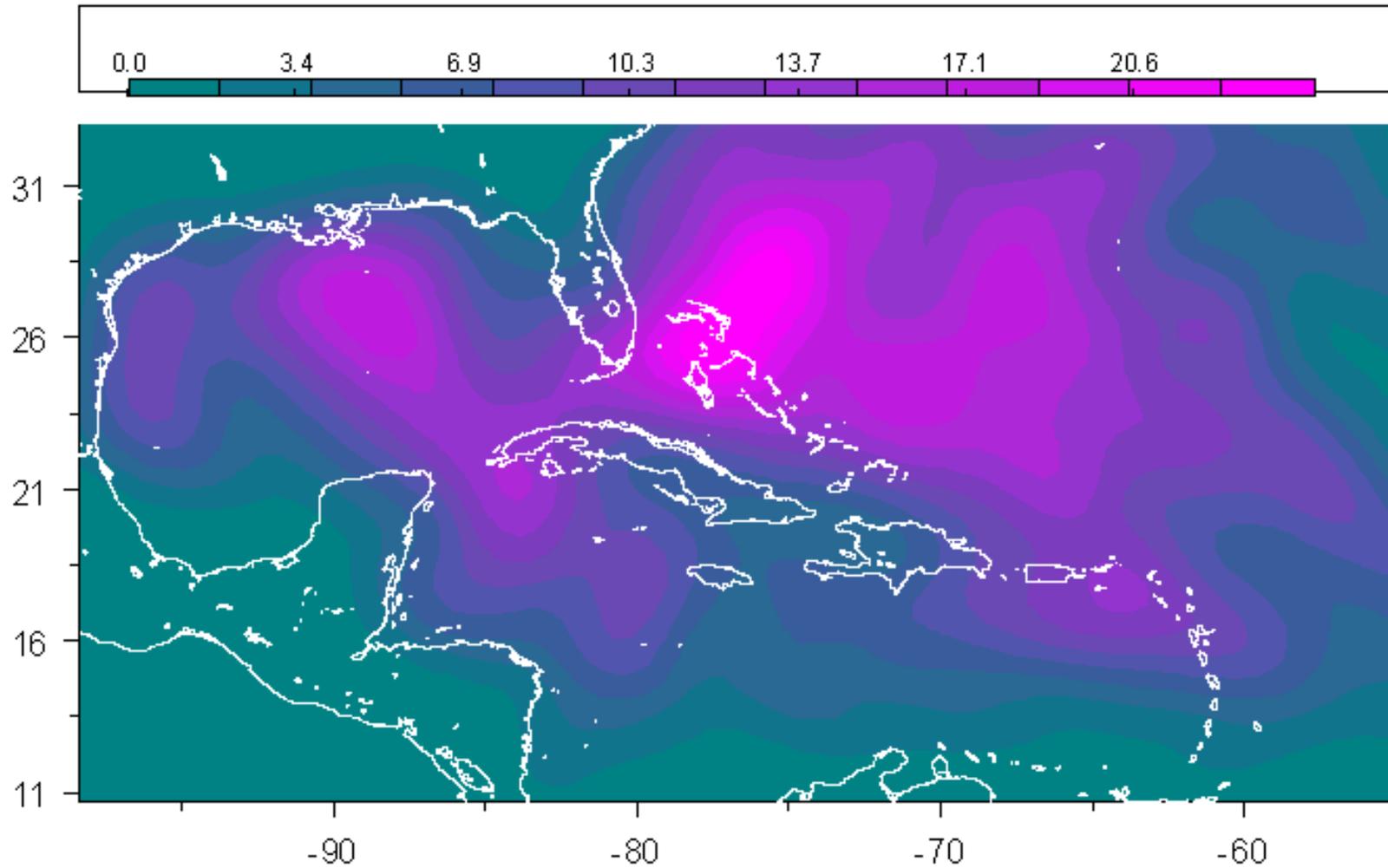


Oceanic Heat Content

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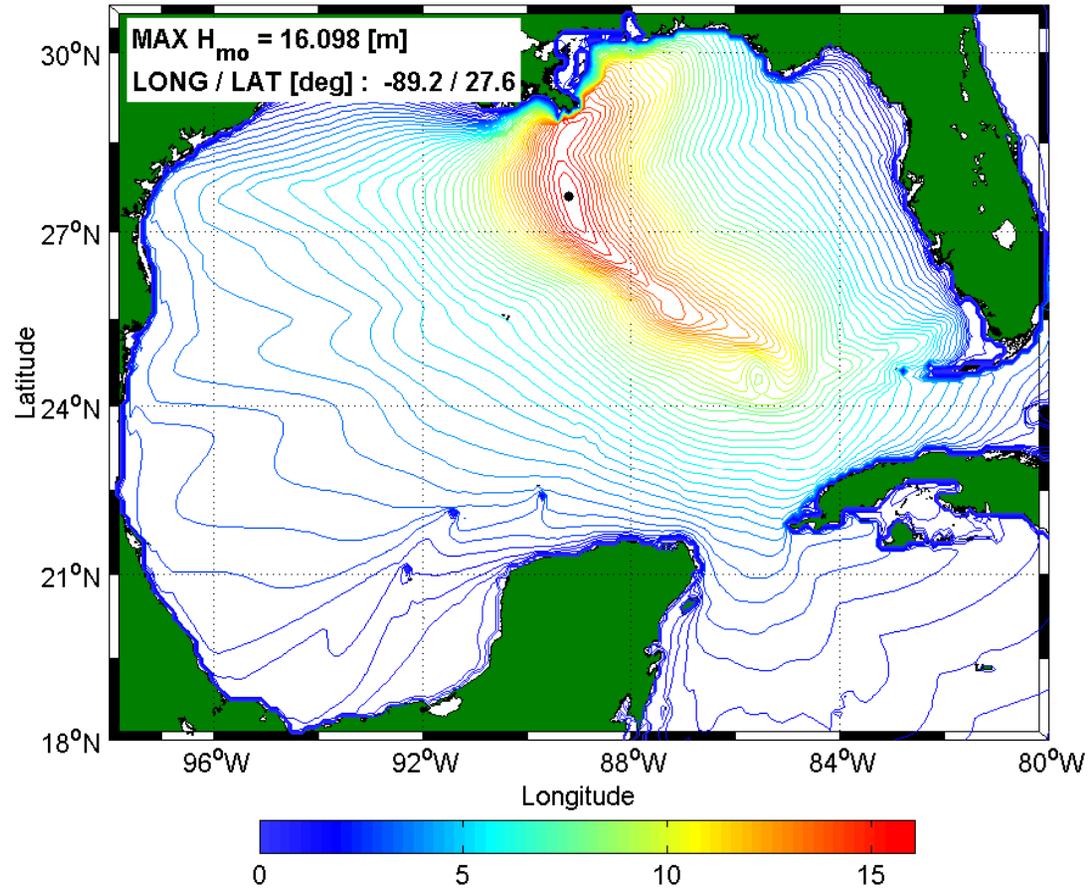
Probability of a Major Hurricane

Entire Season

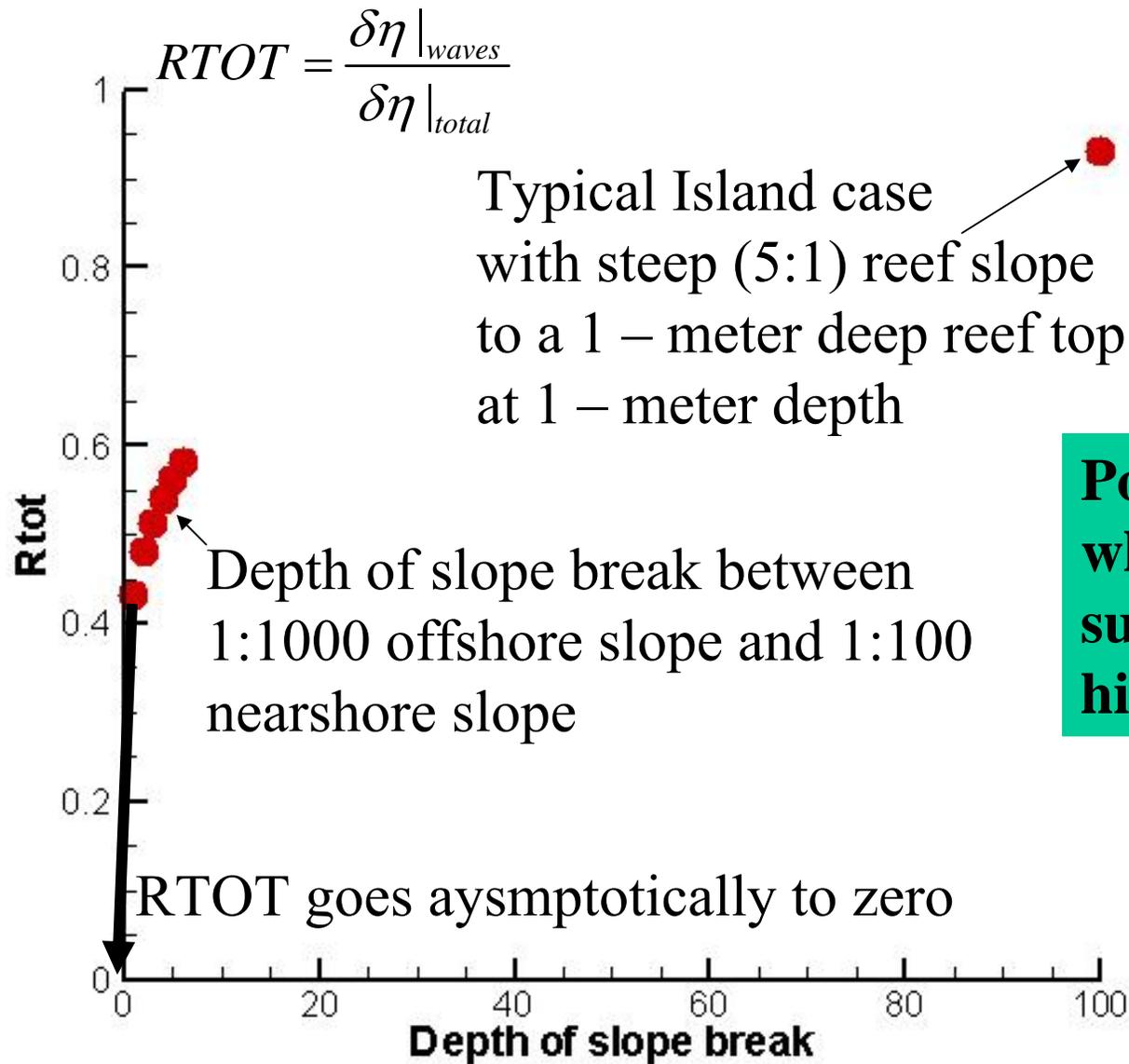


Major hurricane probabilities are not spatially homogeneous.

WAM OWI Prelim-CAP-SH-BR Region (Res 0.1°): MAXIMUM H_{mo} [m] RESULTS: Katrina



Ratio of wave contribution to surge to total surge,
 Assuming energy loss is one of two regions ($k^{-5/2}$ or $H \sim \gamma h$)

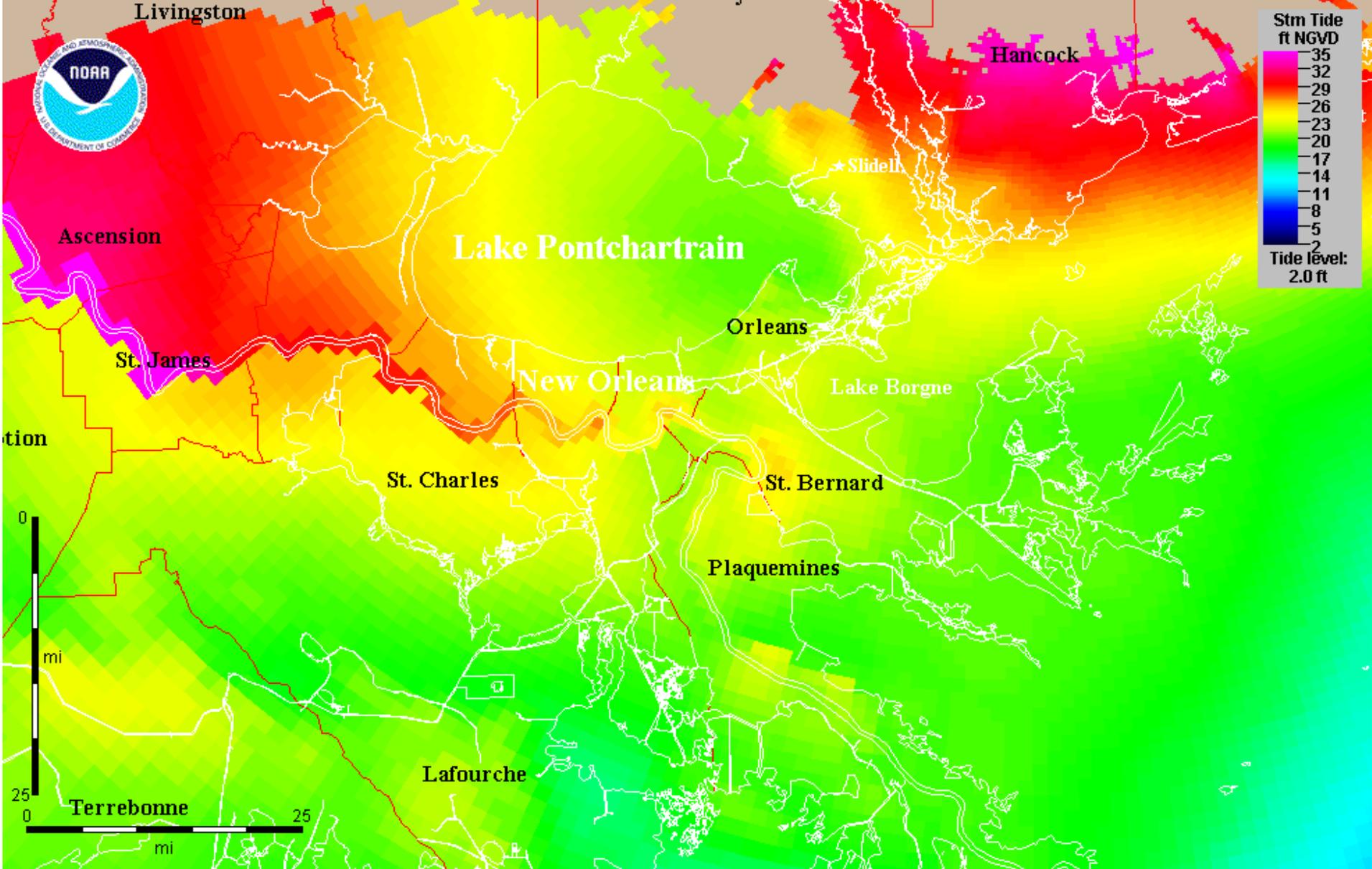


**Possible reason
 why Katrina
 surges were so
 high - waves?**

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Basin: New Orleans <ms2>

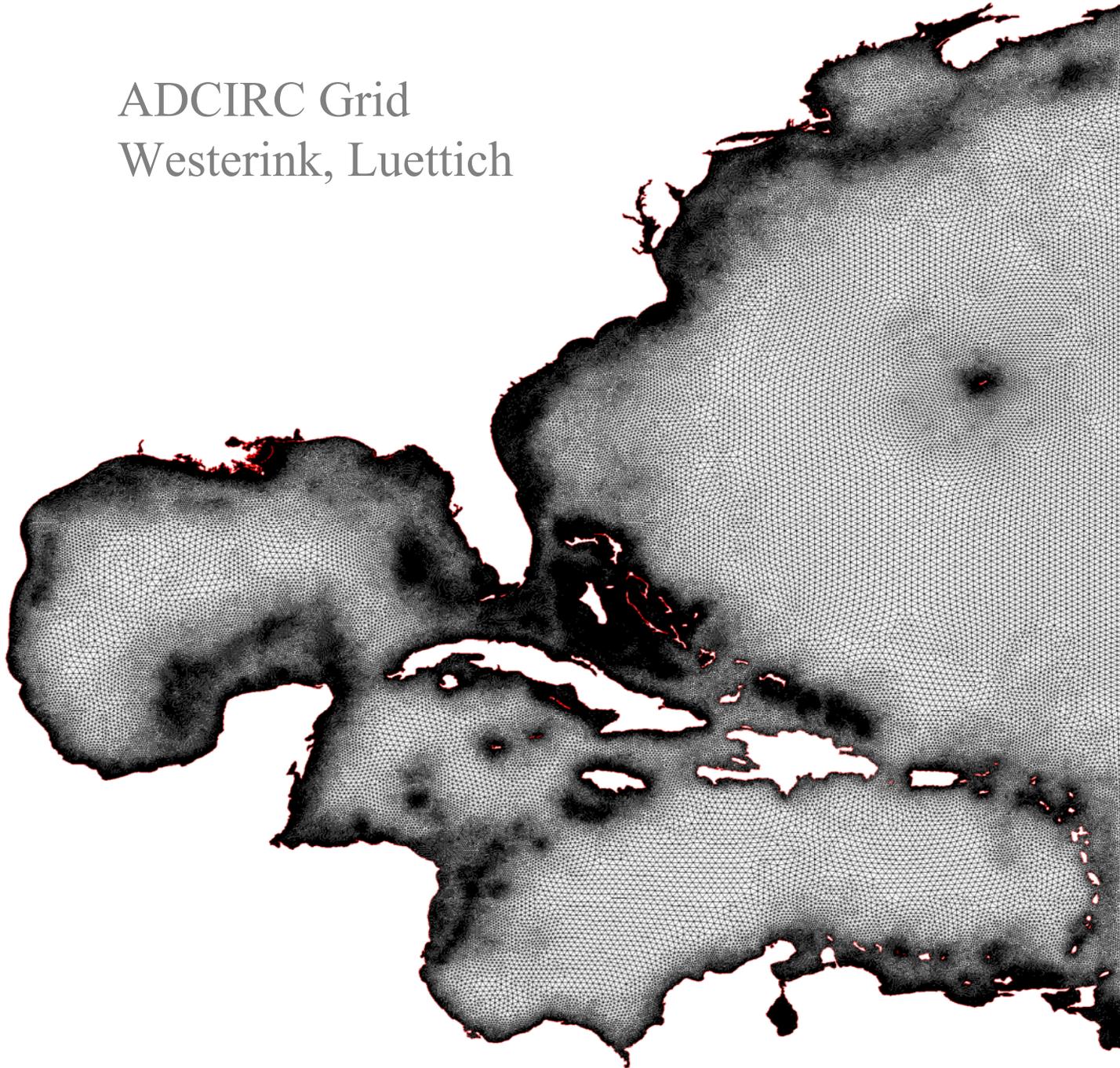
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Cat 5 MOM – High Tide

Shaffer

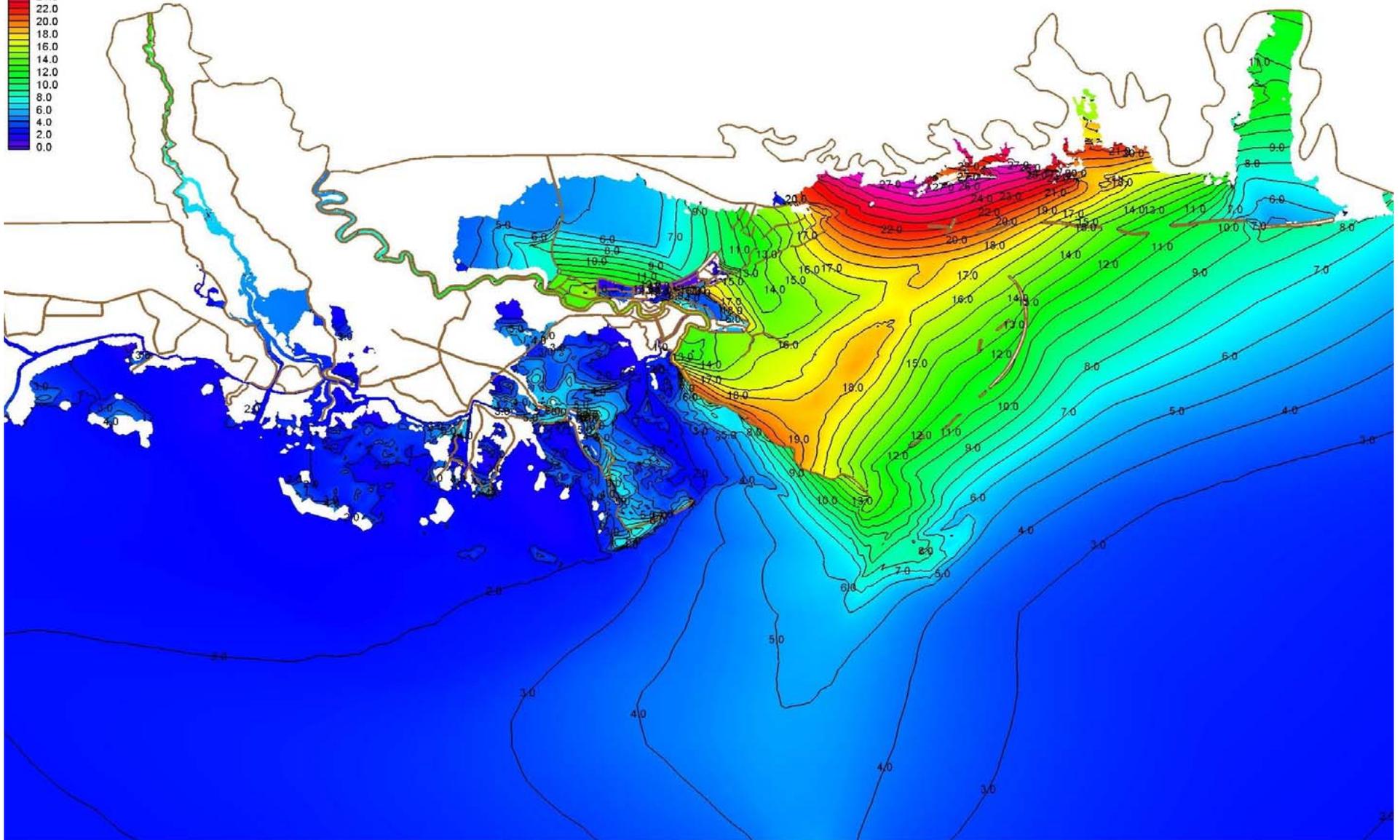
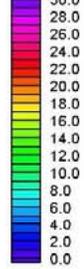
ADCIRC Grid
Westerink, Luettich



Hurricane Katrina Maximum Water levels Using ADCIRC Model.

75% Solution IPET
Westerink, et. al.

Mesh Module water surface elevation (63)



Teams Identified At Workshop

1. **Design** – layout protection schemes; Harley Winer, Joe Suhayda, Paul Kemp, Robert Twilley, State Reps, DNR, DOT, Joannes Westerink, Carl Anderson, Bruce Ebersole, Vann Stutts, Mary Cialone, Edmund Russo, Buddy Clairain, Roy Dokka, Denise Reed, Rick Luettich, Dano Roelvink
2. **Statistics/Risk** – defining maximum hurricane, Peter Vickery, Nancy Powell, Don Resio, Daniele Veneziano, Joe Suhayda, Mark Powell, Jen Irish, Jeff Melby, Leon Borgman, Jack Beven, Will Shaffer
3. **Modeling** – comparison to data/ setup subgroup fits here, Rick Luettich, Bob Dean, Dano Roelvink, Jane Smith, Peter Vickery, Will Shaffer, Mark Powell, Janis Hote, Joannes Westerink, Dave Mark, Jen Irish, Steve Hughes, Jay Ratcliffe, Ray Chapman, Paul Kemp, Vince Cardone, Bob Jensen, Andy Cox, Nobu Kobayashi, Ty Wamsley

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ITR suggested members:

1. Design – Reed Mosher, John Day, Don Boesch, Jim Coleman, Han Vrijling, Dag Nummedal, Ray Seed
2. Statistics - Han Vrijling, David Bowles, Bruce Ellingwood, Marty McCann, David Divoky, Chris Zervas
3. Modeling – Guus Stelling, Bob Reid, Frank Aikman, Jurjen Battjes, Tony Dalrymple

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 - Pam Deloach, CEMVN-ED-SP
- **Coastal and Hydraulics Design**
 - Van Stutts, CEMVN-ED-H
 - Kevin Knuuti, CEERD
- **Hydrodynamic Modeling**
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 - Ty Wamsley, CEERD
- **Coastal and Hydraulics Risk/Statistics**
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 - Don Resio, CEERD-H
- **Structures/Mechanical/Electrical Design**
 - Don Jolissant, CEMVN-ED-G
 - Stan Woodson, CEERD
- **Cost Engineering**
 - John Petithon, CEMVN-ED-C

Workshop - Engineering Technical Approaches and Innovations

Where: Vicksburg MS @ ERDC

When: March 2 – 3, 2006