

## NTHMP FY16 Grant Project Narrative

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### Executive Summary

In contrast to the long history of tsunami hazard assessment on the US West coast and Hawaii, tsunami hazard assessment along the US East coast (USEC) is still in its infancy, in part due to the lack of historical tsunami records and the uncertainty regarding the magnitude and return periods of potential large-scale events (e.g., transoceanic tsunamis caused by a large Lisbon 1755 type earthquake in the Azores-Gibraltar convergence zone (a.k.a. Lisbon; LSB), a large earthquake in the Caribbean subduction zone in the Puerto Rico trench (PRT) or near Leeward Islands, or a flank collapse of the Cumbre Vieja Volcano (CVV) in the Canary Islands). Moreover, considerable geologic and some historical evidence (e.g., the 1929 Grand Bank landslide tsunami, and the Currituck slide site off North Carolina and Virginia) suggests that the most significant tsunami hazard in this region may arise from Submarine Mass Failures (SMF) triggered on the continental slope by moderate seismic activity (as low as  $M_w = 6$  to the maximum expected in the region  $M_w = 7.5$ ); such tsunamigenic landslides can potentially cause concentrated coastal damage affecting specific communities (Grilli et al., 2009, 2015b; ten Brink et al., 2014).

In **FY10-12**, we began the process of hazard analysis and inundation map development for the USEC. Simulating tsunami sources from the PRT, CVV and LSB (Grilli et al., 2010, 2015a; Abadie et al., 2012; Harris et al., 2012, Tehranirad et al., 2015a; Grilli and Grilli, 2013a,b,c), together with a number of relevant near-field SMFs (Grilli et al., 2014), we concentrated on developing tsunami inundation maps (maximum envelope) for a nearly continuous coastal region extending from Ocean City, MD (Tehranirad et al.,

2014) to Cape Cod, MA, excluding major bays or estuaries such as Chesapeake Bay, Delaware Bay, Hudson River, Long Island Sound and Narragansett Bay. Draft reports describing mapping efforts may be found at [http://www.udel.edu/kirby/nthmp/nthmp\\_protect.html](http://www.udel.edu/kirby/nthmp/nthmp_protect.html) (Tehranirad et al, 2014, 2015c-g).

In **FY13**, we extended the range of this mapping effort southward to include the communities of Virginia Beach, VA, Cape Hatteras, NC, Myrtle Beach, SC and Savannah, GA. This work is reported in draft form at [http://www.udel.edu/kirby/nthmp/nthmp\\_protect.html](http://www.udel.edu/kirby/nthmp/nthmp_protect.html) (Tehranirad et al, 2015 h-k).

In **FY14**, we addressed several important issues as part of three tasks:

(i) We performed an investigation of dynamic tidal effects on tsunami behavior in Chesapeake Bay (Norfolk, VA) and the Hudson River estuary and New York Harbor, which are highly populated areas of the USEC with strong tidal forcing. Both of these areas were modeled as part of FY10-12 or FY13 work, but these investigations did not take into account any potential effects of the tidal conditions. Based on this work, we assessed whether a combined tide-tsunami scenario could be treated as a simple linear combination of tide and tsunami, or whether there are significant nonlinearities in the superposition that potentially lead to more hazardous conditions than would be expected from linear superposition alone. The conclusion was that tidal effects in Chesapeake Bay, although causing measurable nonlinear effects on the incoming tsunami wave train, did not cause a significant increase in runup and inundation (Tajalli-Bakhsh et al., 2015); in the Hudson River estuary, however, increases in inundation during impact of the PRT, CVV and local SMF sources led to an up to 0.8 m or 25% increase in inundation (Shelby et al., 2015a,b). This will impact modeling for the next generation of inundation maps.

(ii) To perform the current phase of inundation mapping on the USEC, we modeled landslide tsunamis as resulting from 4 Currituck SMF proxies, parameterized as rigid slumps; in FY14, we started the process of refining our set of sources by: (1) extending the suite of candidate continental margin SMF sources to include a broader set of cases from the geological record; ongoing work with the Carbonate Research Group at the University of Miami has led to the development and testing of SMF landslide sources for the West Bahamas Bank (Schnyder et al., 2016). Reanalysis of east coast SMF sources using deformable slide models is underway in FY15 (see below), (2) performing a broader range of simulations for the CVV volcanic cone collapse based on events which are less extreme than the presently utilized 450 km<sup>3</sup> slide volume (Tehranirad et al., 2015a) (this task was completed during FY15), and (3) we examined the tendency of the wide East Coast continental shelf to provide a somewhat source-independent control on the longshore distribution of tsunami wave height, due to refractive and focusing effects. This analysis is based on a comparison of direct modeling results and use of ray-tracing and shows that predicted inundation levels can become potentially insensitive to the exact nature and location of tsunami source events, due to the refractive control by the wide USEC shelf (Tehranirad et al., 2016).

(iii) Work is ongoing to compare existing storm surge inundation maps and tsunami inundation maps for areas that have had high-resolution tsunami inundation modeling. Due to the greater likelihood of hurricane events in the South Atlantic area, it is likely that such an approach will have to take into account regional variations in storm

probability and shelf geometry that we are just developing an understanding of now (Tehranirad et al, 2016). A collaboration with the Gulf of Mexico group was established and we are working on development of a joint methodology.

In **FY15**, we are working on 3 tasks. In Task 1, we are organizing a landslide tsunami model benchmarking and validation workshop in the summer 2016. The expected outcomes will be a set of community accepted model benchmarking tests and a web-based documentation of workshop and related data.

In Task 2, continuing our FY14 effort, we are further refining and extending the set of potential SMF sources along the Atlantic margin, and applying new source modeling techniques for tsunami activity in the North Atlantic; this includes revisiting the modeling of the 4 Currituck SMF proxies (Grilli et al., 2015a,b) by applying deforming slide models such as granular slides (Ma et al., 2015), debris flows (Ma et al., 2013) or slides modeled as a dense Newtonian fluid (Kirby et al., 2015); see example in Fig. 4. As part of an established URI/USGS collaboration, whenever the analysis of field data from recent cruises is finalized, we will start integrating in our work, USGS's latest field information on SMF sources and site, characterize and parameterize new relevant extreme SMF sources in our work. This will improve our ability to site, characterize and parameterize new relevant extreme SMF sources in our geographic area (including the Florida straight; Chaytor et al., 2014). Applying deforming slide models in particular requires specifying realistic rheological and frictional properties, which must be informed by field data. Results of these simulations will be compared to the Currituck SMF proxy approach used so far to develop inundation maps. On this basis, we will extend the number, distribution of size, and parametrization of our SMF sources in order to obtain a more nuanced set of input to hazard mapping results, particularly near the northern and southern edges of our study area. In parallel we will continue examining the role of the modeling approach (i.e., solid slide, debris flow, heavy fluid flow,...) in determining the tsunami hazard associated with each event. As part of this task, we have been collaborating in the initial phase of a multistate project on "Improving tsunami warning for landslide tsunamis" proposed by California. The task also aligns with Task 1, which will lead to new benchmarks for SMF tsunami models.

In Task 3, as there is a vast area of the coastline to cover, we are continuing the FY14 effort of assessing tsunami hazard for unmodeled East Coast sites. We have been collecting additional FEMA flood maps and comparing those to our existing modeling effort. We continued applying the testing method developed during FY14 to objectively compare the FEMA and NTHMP maps and infer information for the unmodeled areas.

The modeling work to date provides a reasonably comprehensive coverage of tsunami impact along the US coast, as indicated in Figure 1. More work is being completed in FY15 to cover indicated areas in Florida.

For **FY16**, we are proposing work organized in 4 technical tasks, with an additional Task 5 which covers travel for CC member Kirby to NTHMP annual meeting, and Kirby and Grilli to MMS summer meeting; additionally this covers travel of Kirby and Grilli to the landslide tsunami workshop they are co-organizing in 2016-17. Tasks 1 and 2 involve dissemination of existing products to stakeholders and the development of new products based mainly on existing model results. Tasks 3 and 4 involve a re-examination of the theoretical and modeled basis for inundation and maritime hazard mapping, using

existing models to bring the mapping effort up to the level of current scientific capabilities. Task 5 considers hazard from meteotsunamis, which have been shown to be important for the east coast, and initiates work on the aspects of return periods of the various considered tsunami sources. The 5 technical tasks include:

Task 1: Development of maritime hazard assessment products for USEC.

Subtask 1: Examine role of wide shelf in determining maritime safety recommendations

Subtask 2: Examine effects of tsunami events used for coastal hazard assessment on conditions in major ports and harbors

Task 2: Presentation of MMS mapping results to East Coast state agencies and coordination with state EMA managers on development of evacuation and warning efforts.

Task 3: Reanalysis of selected mapping products based on improved treatment of modeled physics for source description and tsunami propagation.

Subtask 1: Continue simulating submarine mass failure (SMF) events using a range of recently developed models for landslide tsunami generation, including rigid to deformable slides with a range of modeled rheologies. Siting and parameterization of selected SMFs based on the most recent field data, in collaboration with USGS.

Subtask 2: Reanalysis of frictional dissipation effects and impact on shoreline tsunami amplitudes in areas with wide continental shelves.

Task 4: Simulation and evaluation of meteo-tsunami hazard and estimation of return periods of tsunami events from various sources.

Subtask 1: Simulation of propagation and coastal impact of meteotsunamis generated on the wide EC shelf, for events of 100-200 year return period.

Subtask 2: Estimate of return periods of extreme tsunamis from various sources used in inundation mapping with emphasis on landslide tsunamis

Similar to our earlier work during FY10-FY15, tsunami modeling in this project will be carried out using a set of models developed at the University of Delaware, including:

- (1) FUNWAVE-TVD, a Boussinesq model in Cartesian or spherical coordinates, described in Shi et al., (2012a) and Kirby et al. (2013). FUNWAVE-TVD is used for tsunami propagation and inundation simulations (with the possibility of initialization by a co-seismic source). The model has been benchmarked for NTHMP inundation and current modeling, and has recently been extended to

include a sediment transport capability in order to analyze morphology adjustments during tsunami events (Tehranirad et al, 2015b). The pressure forcing mechanism required for meteo-tsunami simulations in Task 5.1 has also already been implemented in the model.

- (2) NHWAVE, a three-dimensional, sigma-coordinate RANS model for modeling fully non-hydrostatic free surface flows (Ma et al, 2012). NHWAVE is used to model dispersive wave response to SMF ground motions. Three models of SMF motion have been implemented to date: bottom motion described by motion of a solid mass (Ma et al, 2012), response to gravity currents modeled as suspended sediment load (Ma et al, 2013), and non-hydrostatic water column response to the motion of a depth-integrated, deformable slide layer on the bottom. The latter case has been applied using rheologies corresponding to heavy viscous flows (Kirby et al, 2016) or granular debris flows (Ma et al, 2015).

FUNWAVE and the basic version of NHWAVE are open source, publically available models, which have been benchmarked according to NTHMP standards (Tehranirad et al, 2011, 2012; Shi et al, 2012b) for use in NTHMP-sponsored work. Both codes are efficiently parallelized using MPI and use a one-way coupling methodology, allowing for large scale computations of tsunami propagation and coastal impact to be performed in a series of nested grids of increasingly finer resolution. Both models deal with breaking dissipation via a TVD algorithm and also implement bottom friction. As in previous work, we will use NHWAVE to compute the initial tsunami waves generated from SMF sources including rigid translational slides or rotational slumps, but also debris and granular flows; and once the tsunamigenic part of the SMF is complete, we will continue simulating tsunami propagation in FUNWAVE. While so far in our work we have mostly considered rigid SMFs (Grilli et al., 2015a,b), which are believed to yield worst case scenario SMF tsunamis, during FY15 we have started modeling deformable SMFs using the most recent versions of NHWAVE (Ma et al., 2013, 2015; Kirby et al., 2016). We are starting to assemble a set of model results based on deforming slide calculations, but this work will need to be continued during FY16 (Task 3.1), and we will be coordinating the siting and parametrization of the selected SMFs with USGS. These newer models will be benchmarked for NTHMP use, as part of the SMF model validation workshop (in the fall 2016 or winter 2017).

It should be pointed out that no new model development, particularly for SMF tsunamis, will be done in FY16 using NTHMP funding, and the pressure boundary condition for generating meteo-tsunamis in FUNWAVE is merely a small adaptation of existing options in the code. Regarding SMF tsunamis, the PIs have been awarded a NSF project by the Engineering for Natural Hazard program (2015-2018) to “develop the next generation of landslide tsunami simulation models”. The five technical tasks indicated here are thus primarily intended to support the MMS outcome “Tsunami hazard assessment that supports informed decision making in tsunami-threatened communities.” Task 1 and 4.2 addresses the MMS strategy to “Develop new tsunami hazard products to assist the maritime community and meet emergency management and other NTHMP customer requirements”. Task 2 is to support basic dissemination of project results to

individual state stakeholders. Tasks 3 and 4.1 address the specific MMS strategy to “Update previously developed inundation maps as necessary based on new tsunami source information, improved digital-elevation models, and/or improved modeling technology”.

## Background

**Provide Background information including history of NTHMP partnership, experience with tsunamis, and past achievements with NTHMP funding (5,000 characters or less):**

The proposing team of Kirby and Shi (UD), and S. Grilli and A. Grilli (URI) has been conducting NTHMP-funded work since FY10. Work to date has been entirely on topics related to MMS strategies and outcomes. Specifically, we have modeled inundation resulting from potential coseismic, submarine mass failure (SMF) and volcanic cone failure events, in support of the goal of developing tsunami inundation maps for coastal communities. FY10-12 project work centered on development of an initial set of tsunami sources and high resolution mapping of DEMs stretching from Ocean City, MD to Cape Cod, MA. FY13 work was aimed at additional modeling of regions further to the south, including Virginia Beach VA, Savannah, GA, and Myrtle Beach, SC using existing sources, and Miami FL and vicinity using a SMF source based on the West Bahama Banks (Mulder et al., 2012). This last study leverages a collaboration with U. Miami, who have performed the initial analysis and modeling of the source. Work in FY14 and FY15 involved a continuation of the mapping effort, with the development of extreme SMF proxy sources off the upper USEC. New work was also conducted to (i) estimate tsunami inundation risk and magnitude in the not-yet-mapped areas, based on FEMA maps developed for storm surge and an analysis of the effect of the continental shelf in determining tsunami wave height distribution, and (ii) study and model tsunami-tide interactions in estuaries and harbors with strong tidally-induced flow (e.g., Chesapeake Bay, Hudson River, New York Harbor), and evaluate how this affects tsunami inundation. Project work on sources has been documented in a series of reports and peer-reviewed papers, which are available at <http://www.udel.edu/kirby/nthmp.html>. Inundation reports and map products are in draft stage and will be distributed to stakeholders for evaluation shortly. These reports provide guidance on accessing modeling results, stored as raster based data sets in ArcGIS format. Tabulated results include inundation limits, inundation depths, maximum velocities and maximum momentum fluxes for initially dry areas, and maximum elevation, velocity and vorticity for initially submerged areas.

The PIs have extensive experience in tsunami model development and application to ocean scale propagation, SMF generation mechanisms, and inundation modeling. Kirby and Grilli developed the first fully-nonlinear Boussinesq model, and this theory served as the basis for the first open source, publically available version of such a model, FUNWAVE (Wei et al., 1995). FUNWAVE has recently been extensively revised in order to improve its accuracy in performing simulations of tsunami runup and inundation (Shi et al., 2012a), and it has been extended to include a spherical coordinate system, with Coriolis effects, for use at ocean scale (Kirby et al., 2013). The model has been fully

documented and benchmarked (Shi et al., 2011; Tehranirad et al., 2011) according to NTHMP standards (Synolakis et al, 2007; Horrillo et al., 2014). The PIs have also been instrumentally involved in the development of methods for performing simulations of either solid or deforming submarine mass failures (SMF) using Navier-Stokes solvers, with either high resolution VOF modeling (Abadie et al., 2010, 2012), or a more efficient, lower resolution surface and terrain following model (Ma et al., 2012, 2013). This latter model, NHWAVE, has been used for SMF simulations in NTHMP work during FY10-15 (Grilli et al., 2015a,b) (see example in Fig. 4), and has been benchmarked for NTHMP use (Tehranirad et al., 2012) using a solid slide. The model has recently been extended to include granular slide modeling (Ma et al, 2015) and has been tested against multiple data sets for subaerial slide configurations. The PIs have made a number of significant contributions to the understanding of wave generation by SMFs, and the group has carried out highly accurate simulations of near and far-field response to seismic tsunami events including the 2004 Indian Ocean event (Grilli et al, 2007; Ioualalen et al, 2007) and the 2011 Tohoku event (Grilli et al, 2013; Kirby et al, 2013; Tappin et al, 2014). In an effort parallel to NTHMP, but with support from UNESCO, the group has also performed a first comprehensive assessment of tsunami hazard along the North Sore of Hispaniola (Grilli et al., 2016a).

**In this box, provide the title of each task.**

**The tasks listed should reflect priorities for sustainment of current activity and participation in NTHMP supported projects and should be consistent with the NTHMP Strategic Plan.**

**Explain carefully how this new grant will not overlap or duplicate any work under current NOAA grants which, with no-cost extensions, could overlap in time periods for execution.**

**Task 1: Development of maritime hazard assessment for U. S. East Coast.**

**Subtask 1: Examine role of wide shelf in determining maritime safety recommendations**

**Subtask 2: Examine effects of tsunami events used for coastal hazard assessment on conditions in major ports and harbors**

**Task 2: Presentation of MMS mapping results to East Coast state agencies and coordination with state EMA managers on development of evacuation and warning efforts.**

**Task 3: Reanalysis of selected mapping products based on improved treatment of modeled physics for source description and tsunami propagation.**

**Subtask 1: Landslide events using a range of recently developed models for landslide/tsunami employing deformable slides with a range of modeled rheologies.**

**Subtask 2: Reanalysis of frictional dissipation effects and impact on shoreline tsunami amplitudes in areas with wide continental shelves.**

**Task 4: Simulation and evaluation of meteotsunami hazard and estimation of return periods of tsunami events from various sources.**

**Subtask 1: Simulation of propagation and coastal impact of meteotsunamis generated on the wide EC shelf, for events of 100-200 year return period.**

**Subtask 2: Estimate of return periods of extreme tsunamis from various sources used in inundation mapping with emphasis on landslide tsunamis**

**Task 5: Travel expenses for CC member and project personnel to NTHMP meetings**

**Tasks 1-4 represent new efforts or new reanalysis of existing model results which have not been carried out in previously proposed work. There is no overlap with existing FY15 work.**

## Task Project Narratives

### Describe task(s)

Using the table below include a brief description of the tasks that support NTHMP Strategic Outcomes and Strategies

Task 1. Development of maritime hazard assessment for U.S. East Coast.

#### Brief task description:

Funded tasks for the east coast team have not included a maritime hazard assessment up to date. However, the model results needed for such an analysis have been collected throughout the ongoing mapping effort and are available now for the relevant analysis. We propose to take on this task in FY16, following NTHMP Guidance documents and building on the experience of other NTHMP partners such as California and Oregon. We will utilize input from the State of California on templates for maritime playbooks, and will use their expertise to help evaluate draft maritime playbooks and other documents. We will consult with various organizations such as the Coast Guard and various organizations operating port facilities, such as the Delaware River Authority and similar regional organizations along the east coast, in order to determine existing emergency plans and perceived needs.

This task will be pursued with two focus areas in mind.

Subtask 1: Examine role of wide shelf in determining maritime safety recommendations

West coast partners have developed guidance for ships and smaller craft at sea that involve getting to a depth greater than some minimum value during a warning period. This approach is facilitated by the fact that the West coast continental shelf is typically narrow, and such depth are relatively easy to reach in a reasonable amount of time. The situation on the east coast and gulf coast is very different: the continental shelf is wide and, in some cases, water depths corresponding to those being adopted in the present guidelines may not even occur until the shelf break is reached. Further, given the typical situation where waves are relatively large at the shelf break and then decay in amplitude due to frictional effects across the shelf (Tehrani-rad et al, 2015a), the possibility exists that continuing to move towards a greater desired depth could put a craft at greater risk. The problem associated with shelf width is illustrated in Figures 2 and 3, based on model data generated as part of the modeling for the Ocean City, MD NGDC DEM (Tehrani-rad et al, 2014). Figure 2 shows a plot of maximum occurring currents vs water depth. This plot is quite consistent with Figure 10 in the draft NTHMP Maritime Guidance document, indicating a similarity relation in the velocity results. On the other hand, Figure 3 shows a plot of the same data vs an estimate of offshore distance for each point, indicating a very slow drop off in velocity with distance offshore.

With these questions in mind, we will examine the choice of appropriate guidance based on an east coast (and possibly gulf coast) focus. We will examine not only the issue of

maximum velocity and flow complexity vs depth, but also the same quantities vs distance from shore, to determine what is actually doable within an appropriate warning time frame.

Subtask 2: Examine effects of tsunami events used for coastal hazard assessment on conditions in major ports and harbors.

Existing model results are available to assess quantities like maximum current speeds and presence of eddies in harbors and navigable waterways, as utilized in development of hazard maps for various west coast harbors. We will perform similar hazard assessment for several east coast facilities, following the guidelines and graphical standards developed in prior west coast cases. Facilities will include large harbors such as New York, NY and Norfolk, VA, which have been the subject of detailed first generation inundation mapping and which have also been the subject of NTHMP studies of tsunami-tide interaction in FY14. We will also choose one or two smaller harbors, which will be identified after a screening of sites to choose examples which show more risk for large tsunami events.

List all NTHMP Strategic Plan Outcome and Strategies that this task addresses.

(MMS) Develop new tsunami hazard products to assist the maritime community and meet Emergency Management and other NTHMP customer requirements.

**(MMS) Outcome:** Tsunami Hazard Assessment that Supports Informed Decision Making in Tsunami-Threatened Communities.

Date of expected completion

August 31, 2018

Describe what will be achieved (bullet/short form)

- East-coast-specific recommendations for steps to be taken for maritime safety in the event of a warning
- Hazard maps for current conditions in selected east coast ports and harbors

Task 1 Total Cost: \$47,978

Task 2. Presentation of MMS mapping results to East Coast state agencies and coordination with state EMA managers on development of evacuation and warning efforts.

Brief task description:

We will first establish a means for transferring GIS databases for map products to individual state agencies, using a dedicated internet data server. (This is in addition to presentation of map products and reports on project web page and NTHMP web page.)

We will meet with individual state agencies to describe the mapping process and map results. Funding is requested for up to three trips to support this effort. This activity is needed since the modeling and initial development of inundation maps is being done for the entire coast, without the involvement of individual state agencies. We anticipate that individual state agencies may request specific modifications to map products and results, or may want to take the map information into their own mapping systems as a preliminary step towards development of evacuation maps.

List all NTHMP Strategic Plan Outcome and Strategies that this task addresses.

(MMS) Outcome: Tsunami Hazard Assessment that Supports Informed Decision Making in Tsunami-Threatened Communities.

Date of expected completion	Describe what will be achieved (bullet/short form)
August 31, 2017	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Transfer of GIS databases for map products to individual state agencies.</li> <li>• Meet with individual state agencies to describe the mapping process and map results.</li> </ul>
Task 2 Total Cost: \$23,845	

Task 3: Reanalysis of selected mapping products based on improved treatment of modeled physics for source description and tsunami propagation.

Brief task description:

Subtask 1: Continue simulating submarine mass failure (SMF) events using a range of recently developed models for landslide tsunami generation, including rigid to deformable slides with a range of modeled rheologies. Siting and parameterization of selected SMFs based on the most recent field data, in collaboration with USGS.

Building on our FY14/FY15 effort, we will apply the newer deforming slide models, such as granular slides (Ma et al., 2015), debris flows (Ma et al., 2013), or slides modeled as a dense Newtonian fluid (Kirby et al., 2015), to the simulation of tsunami generation from both our earlier SMF proxy sources (used along the Atlantic margin for developing the first generation of inundation maps on the USEC) and new SMFs identified by USGS; in collaboration with the latter agency, we will use their field data to site and parameterize the selected SMFs. URI has an established collaboration with USGS to help in the analysis of geotechnical data from their regular cruises aimed at studying historical SMFs off

of the USEC. Such data will improve our ability to site, characterize and parameterize new relevant extreme SMF sources in our geographic area, including extending the current selection of sources further south, to the Florida straight (Chaytor et al., 2014). In particular, field data will be used to select parameters for the newer deforming slide tsunami generation models, that have a variety of rheologies and frictional properties to choose from; results of these simulations will be compared to the Currituck SMF proxy approach used so far to develop inundation maps.

For instance, Figure 4 shows results of NHWAVE simulations of landslide tsunamis generated off of the Hudson River canyon by a rigid slump modeled as a Currituck SMF proxy, as in Grilli et al. (2015a), compared to simulations for a deforming slide modeled as a dense fluid layer (Kirby et al.'s (2016) modeling approach), with same initial geometry, location, volume, and runout at the time the slump stops moving, as the Currituck SMF proxy (about 12 min). While tsunami wave patterns generated by each SMF are similar, in the deforming slide case, waves have lower elevations, particularly, onshore propagating waves which will cause coastal impact. Additionally, waves generated by the deforming SMF are more asymmetric in the direction perpendicular to that of SMF failure than those of the rigid slump, because the deforming slide material can more closely follow the terrain which, in the present case, leads the slide to “flow” in the southwest direction. This asymmetry will also affect coastal tsunami hazard.

In the continuation of such FY15 work, this Task will be performed towards the goal of extending the number, distribution of size, and parametrization (based on site-specific field data) of our SMF sources, in order to obtain a more realistic set of input to hazard mapping results, particularly near the northern and southern edges of our study area. As part of this task, we have been collaborating in the initial phase of a multistate project on “Improving tsunami warning for landslide tsunamis” proposed by California.

Subtask 2: Reanalysis of frictional dissipation effects and impact on shoreline tsunami amplitudes in areas with wide continental shelves.

Once a tsunami source is initialized in the long wave propagation model used in this work, FUNWAVE-TVD, besides bathymetry and the model grids, the only parameter left to select that affects tsunami propagation and surface elevations, particularly in shallow water, is the bottom friction coefficient. Up to now in this inundation mapping work, we used the recommended value of bottom friction coefficient for coarse sand,  $C_f = 0.0025$ , in our quadratic bottom friction law, assuming, this should be conservative as far as tsunami propagation and inundation. While friction does not have a significant effect on tsunami propagation in deep water, owing to the very small tsunami-induced velocities (a few cm/s), earlier work has indicated a significant sensitivity of tsunami elevations to bottom friction in shallow water, particularly when there is a wide

shelf (e.g., Geist et al., 2009 for SMF tsunamis). This was confirmed in a more detailed analysis of tsunami propagation over the Florida Shelf (which has a simple bathymetry, with bottom contours parallel to a fairly straight shore; hence little refraction), we performed for the Cumbre Vieja Volcano (CVV) subaerial slide source (Teharanirad et al., 2015a). We found that maximum surface elevations were significantly damped from the shelf break to shore (for CVV, from 8-10 m down to 2-3 m) and, comparing to an analytical formula, that this was essentially a result of bottom friction dissipation. Hence, it appears that in such cases, where there is a wide shelf and moderate refraction, for a specific incident tsunami, the level of coastal hazard estimated in model simulations (i.e., inundation and runup) is controlled by the selected bottom friction coefficient value. In this task, we will perform an in-depth reanalysis of frictional dissipation effects and impact on shoreline tsunami amplitudes in areas with wide continental shelves. In particular, we will estimate more realistic site specific values for the bottom friction (or Manning) coefficient, in areas with a wide shelf. To do so, we will use results of tide propagation models as a proxy for tsunami propagation. Such models typically use space-varying bottom friction coefficients obtained from both the nature of the local seafloor and a calibration of model results with actual observations at tide gauges. We will also seek guidance from both theoretical and experimental work, regarding boundary layers of tidal flows. Based on results of this task, we will issue recommendations as of a more relevant approach for selecting bottom friction coefficient values for the next generation of tsunami inundation maps along the USEC.

It should be pointed out that a similar approach was already pursued in the dynamic tsunami-tide interaction simulations performed during FY14/FY15 in Chesapeake Bay and in the Hudson Canyon (Tajalli-Bakhsh et al., 2005; Shelby et al., 2015a,b). Here, we first modeled the tide propagation in each estuary with FUNWAVE-TVD and calibrated the bottom friction values to obtain a good agreement with measurements made at many tide gauges in the estuaries. We then used the same values of bottom friction coefficients for both the tsunami alone and tsunami-tide interaction simulations in the estuaries.

List all NTHMP Strategic Plan Outcome and Strategies that this task addresses.  
 (MMS) Update previously developed inundation maps as necessary based on new tsunami source information, improved digital-elevation models, and/or improved modeling technology.

(MMS) **Outcome:** Tsunami Hazard Assessment that Supports Informed Decision Making in Tsunami-Threatened Communities.

Date of expected completion

Describe what will be achieved (bullet/short form)

August 31, 2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New siting/parameterization based on recent field data and simulations of submarine mass failure (SMF) events, using new tsunami generation models with a range of SMF rheologies.</li> <li>• Assessment of frictional dissipation effects and impact on shoreline tsunami amplitudes in areas with wide continental shelves.</li> </ul>
	Task 3 Total Cost: \$93,304

Task 4: Simulation and evaluation of meteo-tsunami hazard and estimation of return periods of tsunami events from various sources.

Subtask 1: Simulation of propagation and coastal impact of meteo-tsunamis generated on the wide EC shelf, for events of 100-200 year return period.

One type of tsunami that has not yet been considered in our tsunami hazard study and can be significant along the US East Coast, which is bordered by wide shallow shelves, is the meteotsunami (e.g., Thomson et al., 2009), which can be created by a derecho (i.e., a fast-moving band of severe thunderstorms) whose translation speed can be near the long wave velocity on the shelf. In this case, energy can be easily transferred from the pressure-induced surface deformation caused by the storm to the tsunami, causing it to grow. On June 13, 2013, the Northeast was struck by a significant meteotsunami which was apparently generated by a rapidly moving storm which tracked across New Jersey and moved directly offshore (Wertman et al., 2014). The resulting meteotsunami waves induced resonances in a number of harbors along the East Coast, causing some damage. The event's effects were felt as far away as Puerto Rico (ten Brink et al., 2014). Long waves were measured at 30 tide gauges along the coast from North Carolina to Massachusetts, with the largest elevations, 1.8 m, being measured in New Jersey and about 0.3 m measured in Newport, RI. Recent modeling work by Geist et al. (AGU, 2014; manuscript 2015) reveals that the storm created offshore-moving long tsunami-like waves. Upon reaching the shelf break, some of these waves refracted to eventually propagate onshore in both NW and SW directions, while part of the waves continued in the SE-S direction towards Puerto Rico. Geist et al. indicated that, when considering 100-200 year return periods for such an event, one could expect up to 2 m tsunami elevations at the coast, which are of a size similar to those caused by the other far- and near-field Atlantic sources considered so far in our work.

Hence, in this task, we propose to initiate the modeling of the generation, propagation, and coastal impact of extreme meteotsunamis (similar to or even slightly stronger than the 2013 event). Our particular interest will be to examine the interaction between storm size, forward speed and track and the resulting potential for meteotsunami wave generation. Further, we will assess the spatial distribution and variability of coastal impacts for conditions leading to large meteotsunami. The tsunami generation phase will

be modeled using FUNWAVE, which already has the capability for specifying a moving pressure distribution on the surface as an extension of the free surface dynamic boundary condition (see Figure 5 for an idealized example). Meteotsunami events will be generated in the same grids now used for coastal ocean simulations (i.e., the largest scale UTM Cartesian grids) as described in previous inundation reports (see Tehranirad et al, 2014, for example) We will initially generate events by specifying a moving, elongated low-pressure patch as an idealization of a severe storm or thunderstorm. Further nesting to evaluate nearshore wave properties, shoreline inundation and maritime hazard would be carried out using FUNWAVE in a series of nested grids of increasingly fine resolution towards shore, by a one-way coupling methodology, as is our standard procedure for previous and ongoing modeling.

We note that the Alaska Tsunami Warning Center recently reached out to our group, asking whether we could simulate a few typical meteotsunamis off of the upper US East Coast in order to help with their effort of assessing their possible detection using existing CODAR high-frequency (HF) radars. An a posteriori analysis of data acquired by such radars had in fact shown the signature of the June 2013 meteotsunami (Lipa et al., 2014). Our group has recently worked on the development of algorithms for tsunami detection for shore-based HF radars (Grilli et al., 2015c, 2016b), and have used the models to be employed in this study as standard means for testing these algorithms. We will thus be able to address the warning center's request as part of this task.

Subtask 2: Estimate of return periods of extreme tsunamis from various sources used in inundation mapping with emphasis on landslide tsunamis.

As in all other NTHMP states, our first-generation tsunami inundation maps are envelopes of maximum inundation caused by a series of extreme far- and near-field tsunami sources in the Atlantic Ocean Basin, without considering their return period (or probability). While some of our sources may have a return period on a scale of a few hundred years to 1,000 years (i.e., the M9 seismic sources in Puerto Rico trench and Acores convergence zone; Grilli et al., 2010, 2015a), the return period of the large Currituck SMF proxy used as near-field tsunami sources (Grilli et al., 2015b) is unknown and perhaps on a scale of hundreds to a few thousand to tens of thousand years, and that of an extreme collapse of the Cumbre Vieja Volcano (CVV) in the Canary Island could be anywhere from 100,000+ years (Abadie et al., 2012) to as little as 1000 years (based on recent field work; Day, personal communication, 10/2015). As to the likelihood of a massive "en masse" CVV collapse causing a mega-tsunami, rather than a gradual multi-stage failure causing more modest tsunamis, a recent study of the Fogo volcano on Cape Verde island by Ramalho et al. (2015) showed that a flank collapse may have catastrophically happened 73ka ago, with at least one fast voluminous event that triggered tsunamis of enormous height and energy, causing over 270-m runup on the nearby Santiago island.

While tsunami inundation maps that are envelopes of extreme sources are useful in indicating the maximum flood hazard that can be expected along the US East Coast from any tsunami at a given site, these do not really put the risk of this happening in perspective with other more probable flood risks, such as from hurricanes with 100 or

500 year periods.. This concern was expressed by East Coast CC member Ed Frato, who indicated that emergency managers may only be sensitized to the reality of tsunami risk along the East Coast if they are presented with flood maps reflecting return periods commensurate with those of other hazard such as hurricanes, hence on the order a few hundred years, but not thousands. This differs, for instance, from the typical hazard assessment for critical coastal facilities such as nuclear power plants, for which tsunamis with return periods of 10,000 years are typically considered in flood hazard analyses. Hence, to address this request, we propose in this subtask to initiate work for estimating return periods of extreme tsunamis from various sources used in inundation mapping, which will pave the way for conducting future Probabilistic Tsunami Hazard Analysis (PTHA). In this initial work, we propose to only study the return periods of landslide tsunamis, in part because our earlier work indicates that they pose the highest tsunami flooding hazard for a large part of the US East Coast (e.g., Grilli et al., 2015a) and also because more geological work may be needed to consider the return period of other types of sources. Indeed, it appears from discussions at the recent USGS workshop in Boulder that more geophysical/seismological and field work/data is required for estimating the return period of the two large seismic events considered in our work (i.e., M9 earthquakes in Puerto Rico and in the Azores). In contrast, in the past few years, USGS has been conducting extensive field work and surveyed past SMFs on the Atlantic margin (e.g., ten Brink, 2014); the large data base of geological/geophysical data that resulted from this work can serve as a basis for estimating SMF tsunami return periods. Accordingly, the proposed study of SMFs for FY16 will be based on revisiting and improving the earlier Monte Carlo analysis of Grilli et al. (2009, see details below), in light of the recent field data made available by USGS, as well as using our recent SMF tsunami generation models (see Task 3.1). The return periods of other types of tsunami sources will be studied in following years.

While some states (e.g., California) have initiated work on PTHA, this is not yet the norm for NTHMP as both the modeling effort required and the necessary geophysical data are much more significant. Indeed, a proper PTHA first requires information on return periods of tsunami sources. For seismic sources, for instance, this involves estimating the relationship between earthquake magnitude/slip distribution and probability of occurrence, which requires in-depth marine geology/geophysics and paleo-tsunami deposit analyses; note that such deposits are mostly lacking along the East Coast due to the effects of glaciers for older deposits and the confusion with hurricane deposits for more recent deposits. For SMF sources, this requires even more data on slide/slump size, distribution, age and mode of failure (including rheology), together with an estimate of their tsunamigenic potential. To estimate the 100 and 500 year runup expected from SMF sources along the US East Coast, for instance, Grilli et al. (2009) developed a probabilistic SMF tsunami analysis based on Monte-Carlo slope stability analyses (for randomized seismicity and SMF geometrical and geological parameters) coupled to simplified equations to estimate tsunami generation, propagation and coastal impact. This earlier work, which identified an elevated tsunami flooding risk from SMFs north of the Carolinas, however, was based on fairly sparse field data and used empirical equations for tsunami generation by rigid slides or slumps; tsunami propagation was then simply performed using Green's law, without refraction effects, with an empirical spreading of

the coastal impact following a Gaussian curve. Here, we propose to estimate the probability/return period of tsunami inundation caused by SMFs along the East Coast by performing an improved Monte Carlo (MC) analysis informed by the much broader and detailed field data sets acquired by USGS since our earlier work was performed (from 2005 to 2008) and using the more accurate physics based models for SMF tsunami generation that are now available for both rigid and deforming underwater slides and slumps (see Task 3.1). One caveat, however, is that a MC analysis may require simulating 100,000 or more random SMFs failures and resulting tsunami generation/propagation, in order to properly estimate the probability distribution of the induced coastal inundation. Hence, as in Grilli et al. (2009) we will have to simplify some of the modeling in order to make this work computationally viable, which will likely require the development of new methods for rapidly estimating SMF tsunami sources based on SMF parameters. As done for rigid 2D slides and slumps by Grilli and Watts (2005) and Watts et al. (2005), this will require performing a series of canonical simulations for many combinations of relevant parameters and developing methods for interpolating between the corresponding tsunami sources for other combinations of parameters.

Finally, while we will use a MC analysis approach similar to that of Grilli et al. (2009), we will update it in light of recent NTHMP work performed in the Gulf of Mexico (Pampell-Manis et al, 2016). Indeed, in applying Grilli et al.’s (2009) methodology, the GOM group noted that there were significant statistical correlations between SMF geometrical parameters which were previously assumed to be independent. These correlations need to be accounted for in order to truly have statistically independent realizations in the MC analysis. This led the GOM group to modify Grilli et al.’s (2009) methodology using a Cholesky matrix decomposition method, and we will be using this more recent formalism in the proposed work for this task.

List all NTHMP Strategic Plan Outcome and Strategies that this task addresses.

Task 4.1 addresses the MMS strategy to “Develop new tsunami hazard products to assist the maritime community and meet emergency management and other NTHMP customer requirements”.

Task 4.2 addresses the specific MMS strategy to “Update previously developed inundation maps as necessary based on new tsunami source information, improved digital-elevation models, and/or improved modeling technology”.

Date of expected completion

August 31, 2018

Describe what will be achieved (bullet/short form)

Parameters promoting meteotsunami response on US East Coast shelf will be determined.

	<p>Probabilistic analysis of east coast SMF events and resulting tsunamis will be revised based on updated information on shelf sediments and geotechnical properties in order to estimate the return period of these events.</p>
	<p>Task 4 Total Cost: \$56,116</p>
<p>Task 5: Travel to NTHMP meetings</p> <p>At the request of the NOAA Tsunami Program Office, UD is proposing travel for its members of the NTHMP Coordinating Committee to attend and participate in NTHMP-sponsored meetings planned to occur during the grant performance period. Support is requested for CC member Kirby (UD) to attend NTHMP Annual Meeting, MMS technical meeting, and Landslide Workshop (Travel Category 1).</p> <p>Support is requested for Grilli (URI) to attend the MMS technical Meeting and the Landslide Workshop (Travel Category 4- Non CC member to NTHMP meetings)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Landslide technical workshop <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This two-day workshop will focus on developing a set of community-accepted benchmark tests for validating models for landslide tsunami generation.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The meeting location has not been determined by the NTHMP. Average rates and cost estimates provided by the NOAA Tsunami Program were used.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The Science representative (Kirby) appointed to represent the U.S. East Coast will attend and participate in this workshop, along with co-PI and co-organizer Grilli (URI).</p> </li> <li>2. NTHMP Annual Meeting <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This is a five-day series of meetings for NTHMP subcommittees, cross-functional collaboration meetings, a two-day Annual Meeting, a NTHMP grantee's meeting, and a Coordinating Committee meeting.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The meeting location has not been determined by the NTHMP. Average rates and cost estimates provided by the NOAA Tsunami Program were used.</p> <p style="margin-left: 40px;">The Science representative (Kirby) appointed to represent the US East Coast will attend and participate in this meeting.</p> </li> <li>3. Mapping &amp; Modeling Subcommittee Scientific Exchange Meeting <p style="margin-left: 40px;">This three-day meeting is a regular meeting to exchange tsunami science</p> </li> </ol>	

<p>information, mapping, and modeling details which enhances collaboration and consistency among NTHMP partners.</p> <p>The meeting location has not been determined by the NTHMP. Average rates and cost estimates provided by the NOAA Tsunami Program were used.</p> <p>The Science representative (Kirby) appointed to represent US East Coast will attend and participate in this meeting. MMS member Grilli will attend and participate in this meeting where it is expected that much time will be devoted to follow up work related to the landslide tsunami workshop Kirby and Grilli will be co-organizing.</p>	
<p>List all NTHMP Strategic Plan Outcome and Strategies that this task addresses.</p> <p><b>Outcome:</b> Successful Execution of NTHMP Tsunami Mapping, Modeling, Mitigation, Planning and Education Efforts</p>	
<p>Date of expected completion</p> <p>August 31, 2017</p>	<p>Describe what will be achieved (bullet/short form)</p> <p>Kirby (CC) and Grilli attend NTHMP meetings</p>
<p>Task 5 Total Cost: \$15,415</p>	

### COLLABORATION AND SYNERGIES

1. Collaboration is defined as two or more grantees working on the same project in their respective states and/or territories. Collaboration does not include merely sharing resources or information with each other. This section of the Project Narrative is about jointly-funded NTHMP grant activities shared among one or more NTHMP grant partners.

*If there are no jointly-funded shared tasks with another NTHMP Grantee, then check this box and leave the rest of this page blank:*

No jointly-funded tasks with any other NTHMP Grantee.

2. List any tasks above that will be directly worked on collaboratively with any other NTHMP grantee. State the Task and task number from your grant as well as the name of the other NTHMP grantee and its specific Task and task number for this same activity. For this activity to count as being collaborative, your Task/Task must

also appear on your collaborative partner's FY15 NTHMP Grant Narrative in this same space.

This grant Task #	Grant partner name & Task #	Short description of collaborative task

3. Describe with whom and how you will work collaboratively on the task(s) listed in the table above.

### Summary of Tasks

<b>Task</b>	<b>Expected Completion month/year</b>	<b>Requested funding</b>
1. Development of maritime hazard assessment for U. S. East Coast	<b>8/31/2018</b>	<b>\$47,978</b>
2. Presentation of MMS mapping results to East Coast state agencies and coordination with state EMA managers on development of evacuation and warning efforts.	<b>8/31/2017</b>	<b>\$23,845</b>
3. Reanalysis of selected mapping products based on improved treatment of modeled physics for source description and tsunami propagation	<b>8/31/2018</b>	<b>\$93,304</b>
4. Simulation and evaluation of meteo-tsunami hazard and estimation of return periods of tsunami events from various sources (landslide tsunamis only).	<b>8/31/2018</b>	<b>\$56,116</b>
5. Travel to NTHMP meetings	<b>8/31/2017</b>	<b>\$15,415</b>
<b>Total FY16 Grant Request</b>	<b>-----</b>	<b>\$236,658</b>

**Attach the following to this application:**

1. Resume or C.V. for each person serving in a grant-funded role.
2. All required documentation listed in the checklist on the last page of the Budget Narrative.

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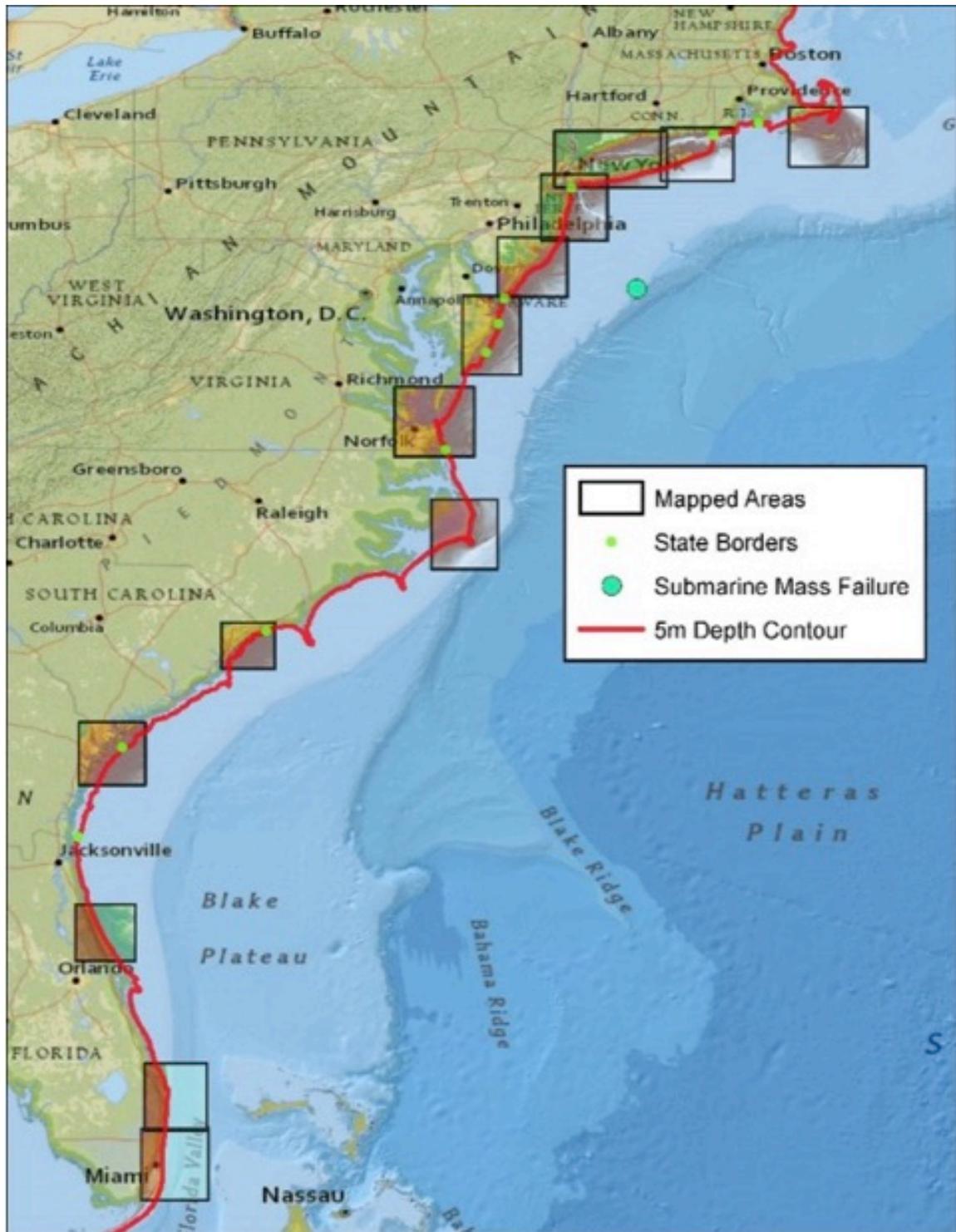
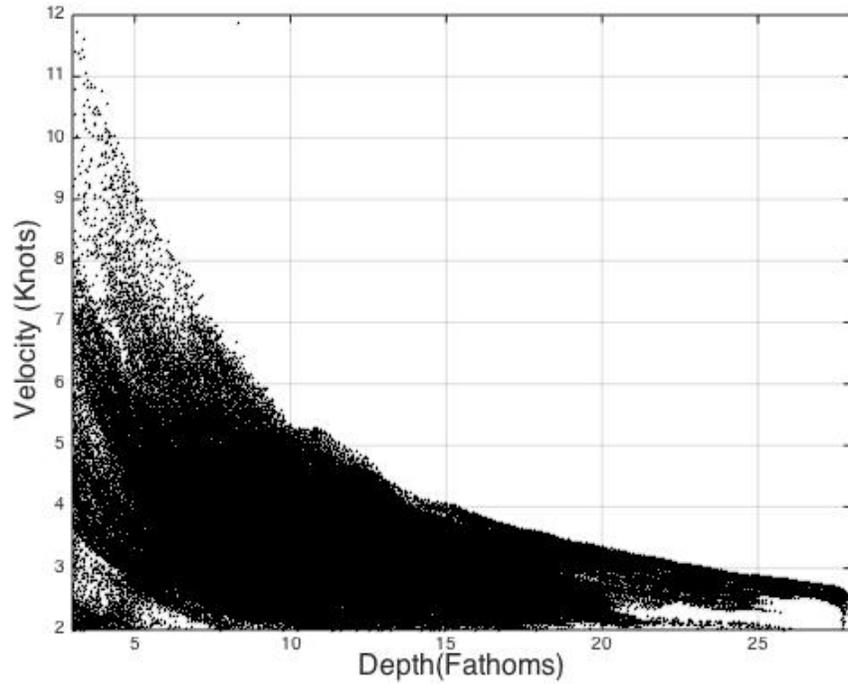
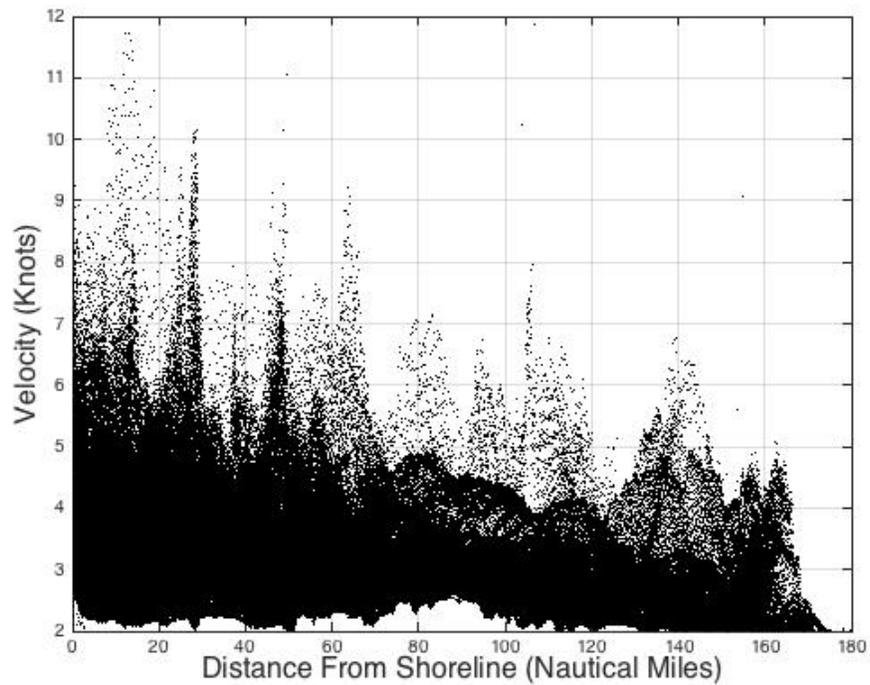


Figure 1. Regions covered by high resolution modeling

*(Florida sites to be completed in FY15).*



*Figure 2. Maximum occurring velocity at individual grid points as a function of water depth. Ocean City, MD NGDC DEM (Tehrani-rad et al, 2014)*



*Figure 3. Maximum occurring velocity at each grid point vs an estimate of offshore distance. Ocean City, MD NGDC DEM (Tehrani-rad et al, 2014).*

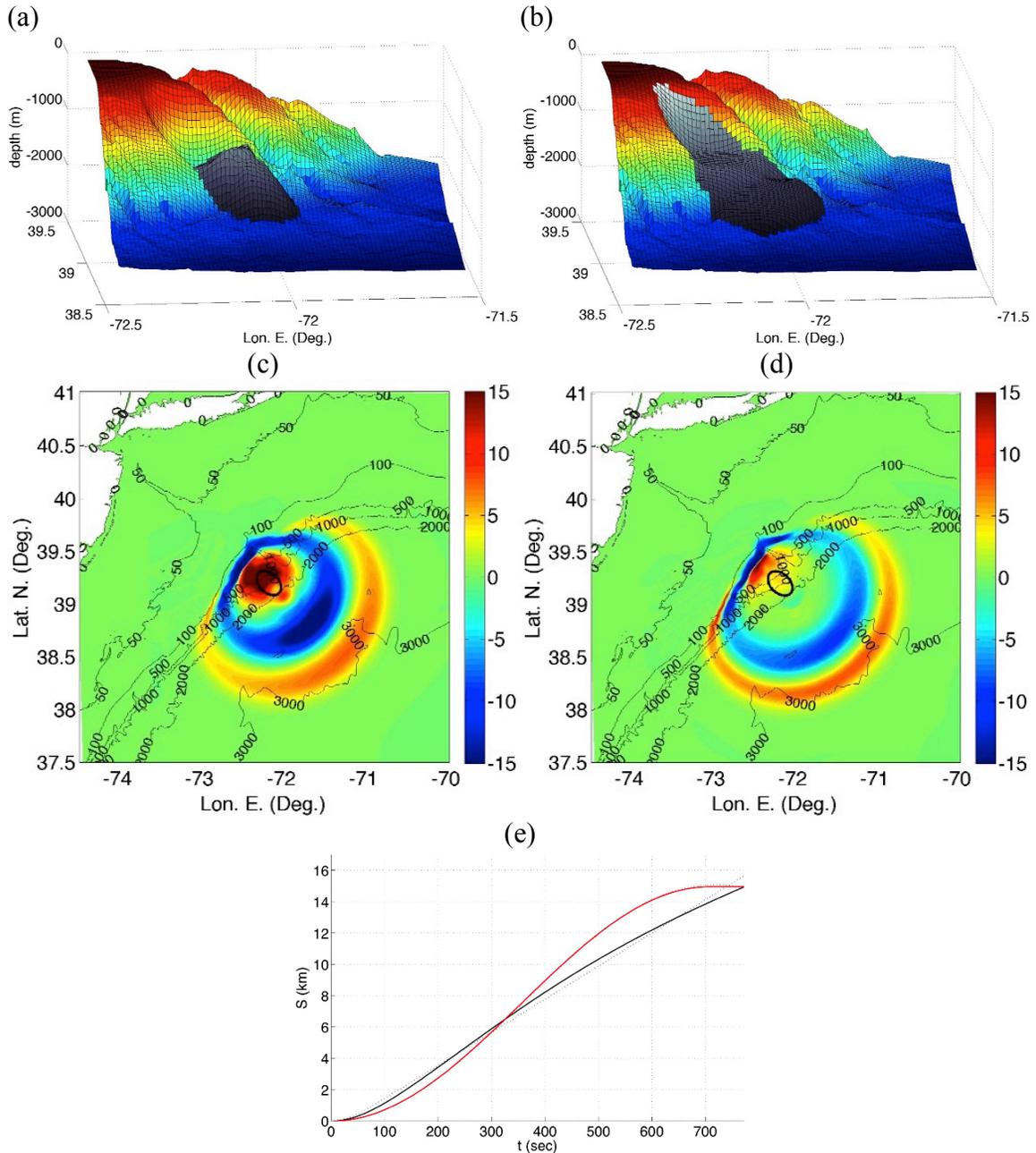


Figure 4. NHWAVE simulations of landslide tsunamis generated off of the Hudson River canyon by: (a,c) a rigid slump, modeled as a Currituck SMF proxy (Grilli et al., 2015a); (b,d) a deforming slide modeled as a dense fluid layer, with same initial geometry, location, volume, and runout at the time the slump stops moving (12 min), as the Currituck SMF proxy. Panels (a,b) show in gray the SMF locations after 13.3 min (to the left of the Hudson River canyon), and panels (c,d) show the surface waves generated after 13.3 min (the black ellipses mark the initial footprint of the SMFs). At this time, wave patterns are similar but waves have lower elevations in the deforming slide case; black ellipses mark the initial footprint of each SMF. (e) solid curves are center of mass motions of (red) slump and (black) slide, with dash curves being curve fits of theoretical laws of motion.

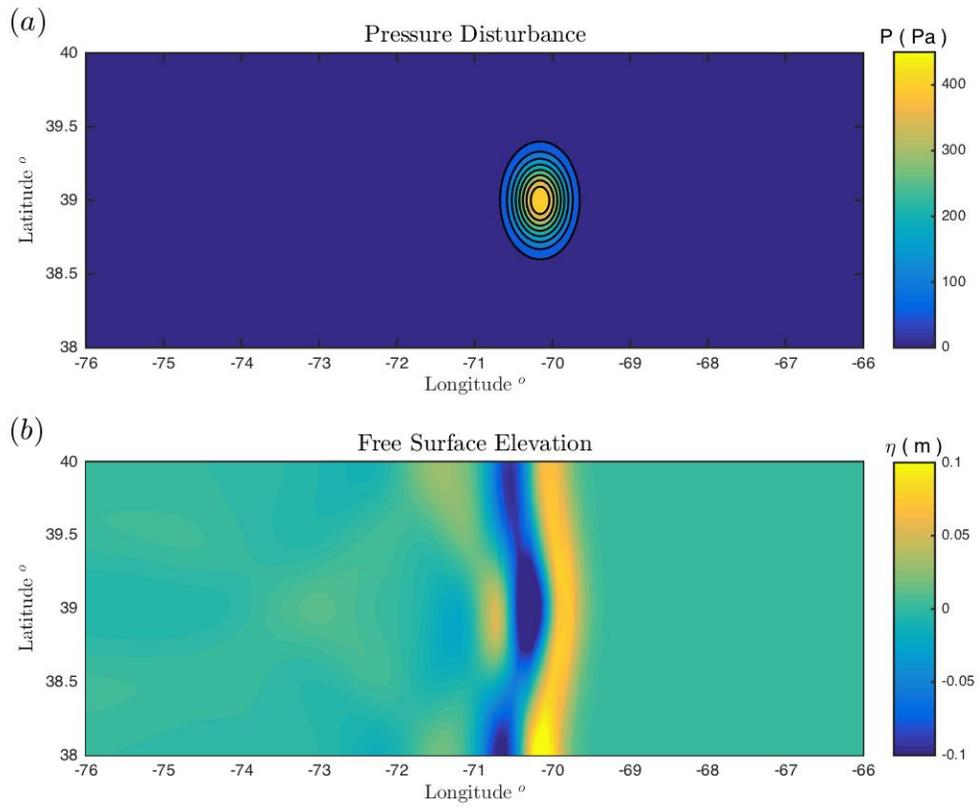


Figure 5: An idealized meteotsunami example. A Gaussian pressure distribution with major and minor axes = 30 km and central pressure deficit of 450 Pa translates at speed 20m/s over a water body of constant depth 40m. (top) pressure field. (bottom) Surface wave pattern computed by Boussinesq model FUNWAVE. Wave is evolving in a channel bounded by sidewalls at constant latitudes. Distortion in waveform is due to the N-S variation across the grid.

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23. Shelby, M., Grilli, S. T. and Grilli, A. R., 2016. Tsunami hazard assessment in the Hudson River Estuary based on dynamic tsunami-tide simulations. *Pure and Applied Geophysics*, 53 pps. (accepted with minor changes).

#### **E. Synergistic Activities:**

1. Various tsunami hazard assessment projects for critical coastal infrastructures (e.g., nuclear powerplants and maritime facilities). Proprietary studies.
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### C. Appointments

Research Associate Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering & Center for Applied Coastal Research, University of Delaware, 2012 - present  
Research Assistant Professor, Department of Civil and Environmental Engineering & Center for Applied Coastal Research, University of Delaware, 2007 - 2012  
Associate Scientist, Center for Applied Coastal Research, University of Delaware, 2004 - 2007  
Associate Professor, Institute of Estuarine and Coastal Research, East China Normal University, 1997 - 1998

### E. Visiting positions:

ONR Summer Faculty, Naval Research Lab, Stennis Space Center, MS, Jun-Aug, 2014.

### F. Publications

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- Ma, G., Kirby, J. T. and Shi, F., 2013, "Numerical simulation of tsunami waves generated by deformable submarine landslides", *Ocean Modelling*, 69, 146-165.
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- Ma, G., Shi, F. and Kirby, J. T., 2012, "Shock-capturing non-hydrostatic model for fully dispersive surface wave processes", *Ocean Modelling*, 43-44, 22-35.

#### (ii) Five other recent publications

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- Shi, F., Vittori, G. and Kirby, J. T., 2015, "Concurrent correction method for modeling morphological response to dredging an offshore sandpit", *Coastal Engineering*, 97, 1-10.

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Convener and chair of session of nearshore processes at AGU 2008 Fall Meeting  
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