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NTHMP Inundation Mapping for North and South Carolina and Georgia Part 1: Modeling

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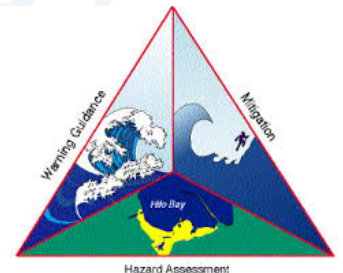
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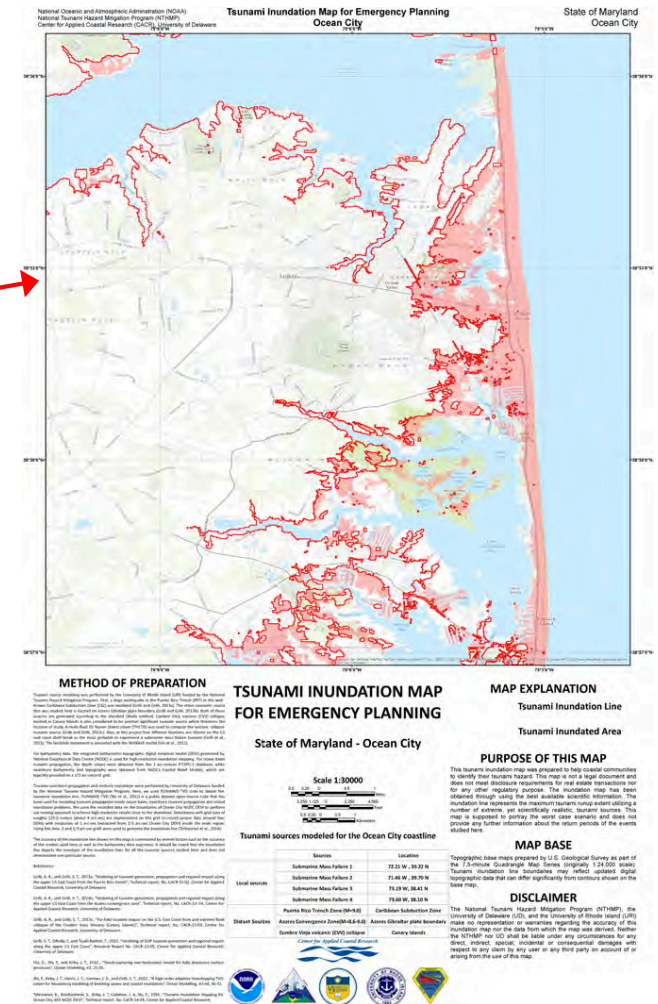
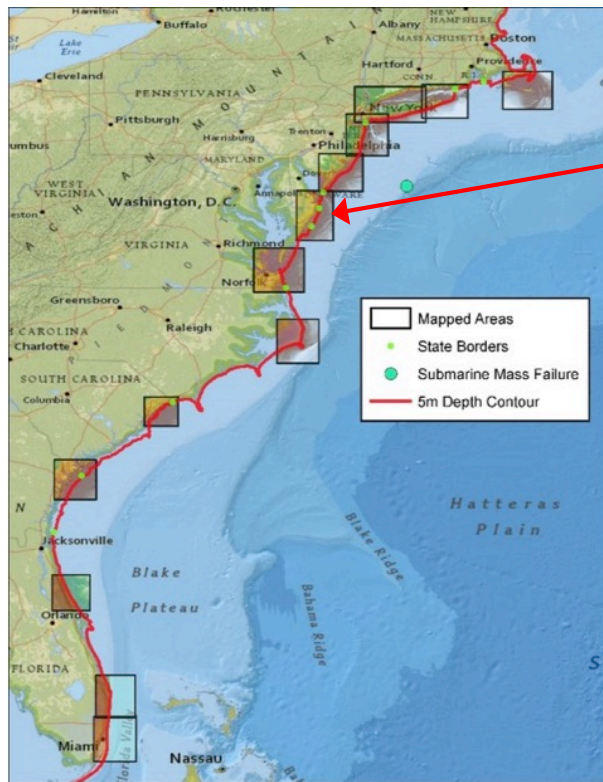
NTHMP East Coast mapped areas

First generation maps based on Probable Maximum Tsunami (PMT) sources in the Atlantic Ocean Basin

- Return periods not considered
- Maps are envelopes of worst case

Locations of Maps, East Coast (2010-2015) :

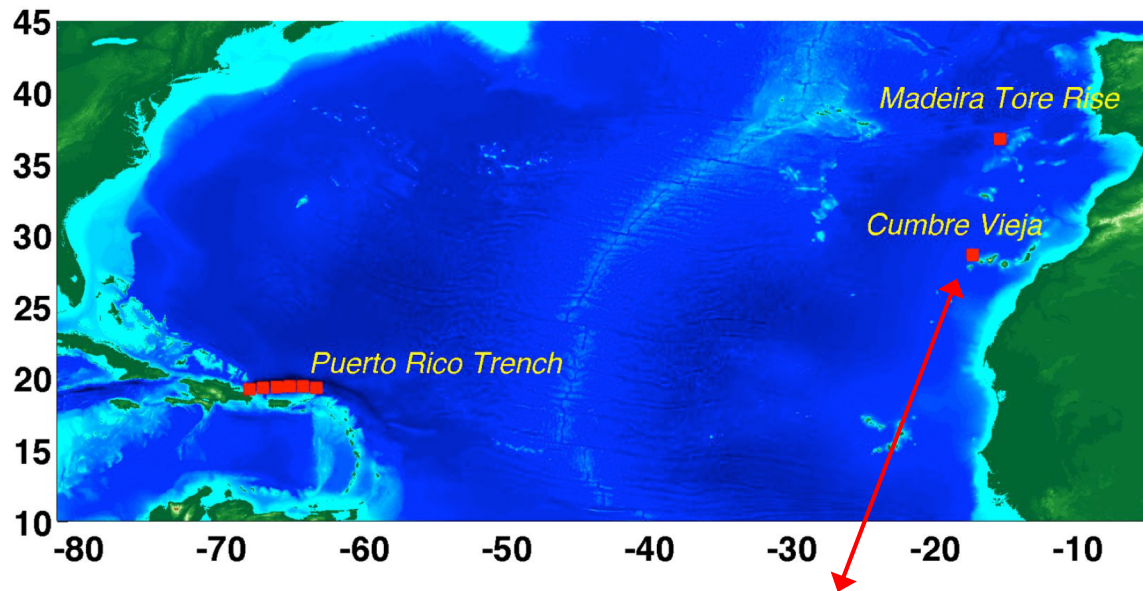
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Regions containing detailed maps



Tsunami sources: Far-field seismic, volcano collapse



M₉ historical far-field seismic source in Azores Convergence Zone: repeat of Lisbon 1755 (multiple sources, various strike angles)

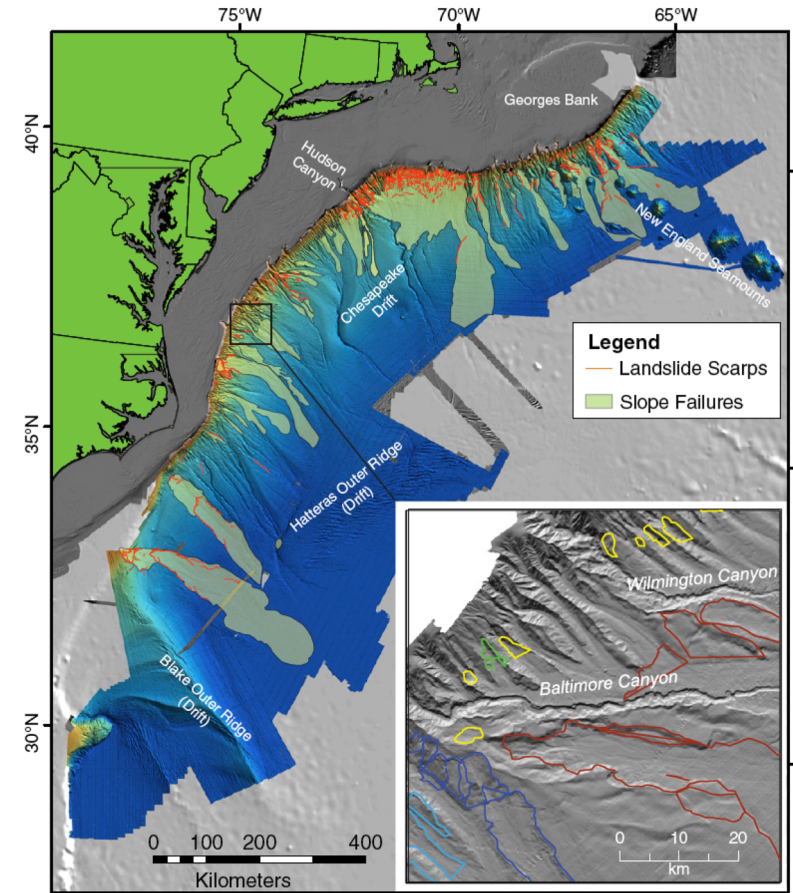
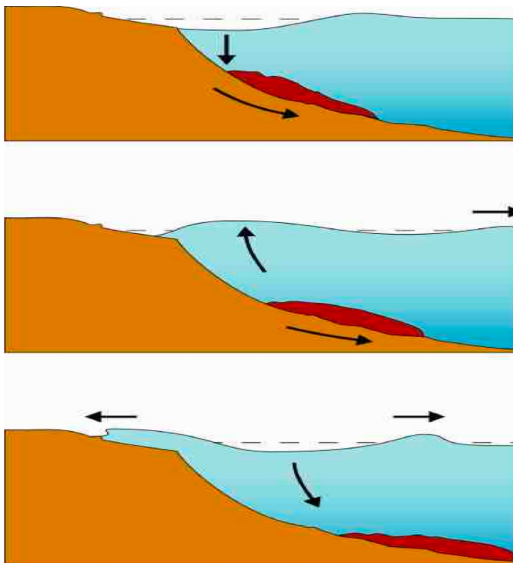
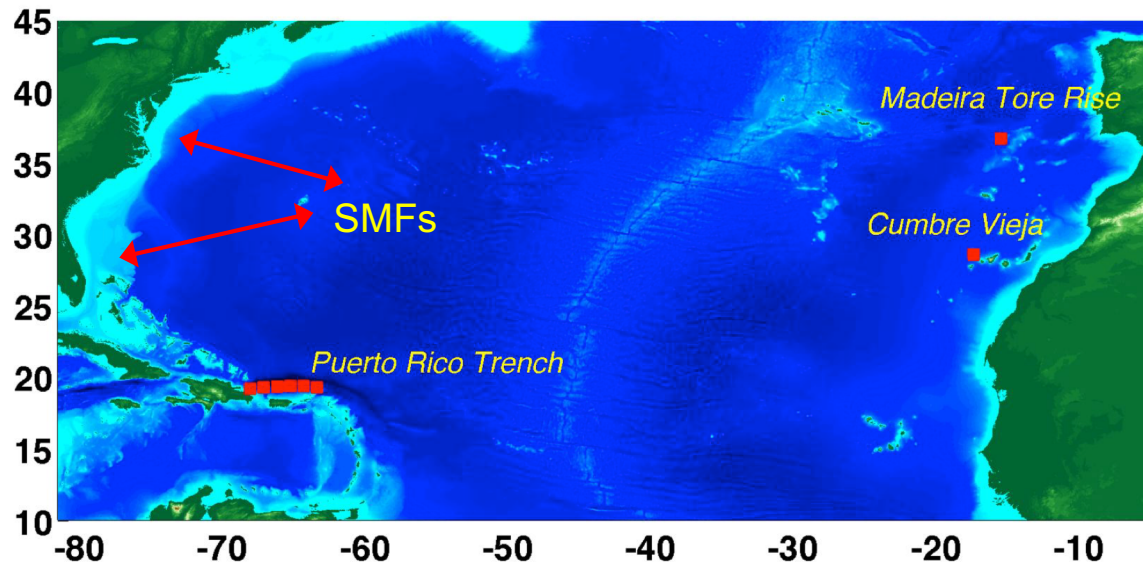
M₉ hypothetical far-field seismic source in Puerto Rico Trench: designed as extreme event, (600 yrs of full convergence)



Hypothetical far-field flank collapse of Cumbre Vieja Volcano with 80 or 450 m³ volume (extreme and most extreme events), with return period (?) perhaps 1,000-100,000 yrs.



Tsunami sources: Near-field Submarine mass Failures (SMF)

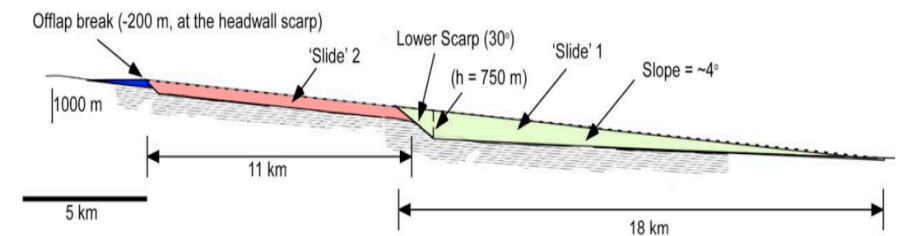
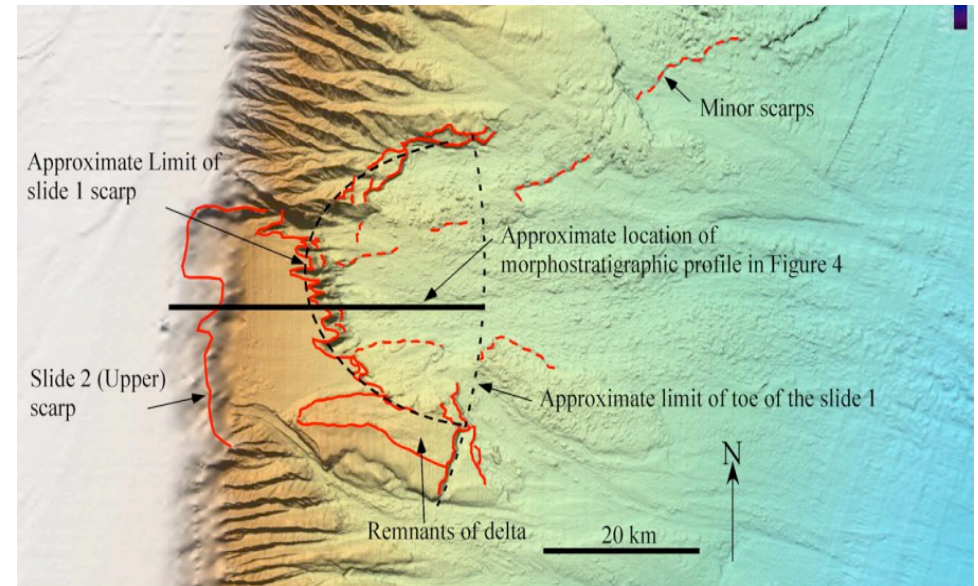
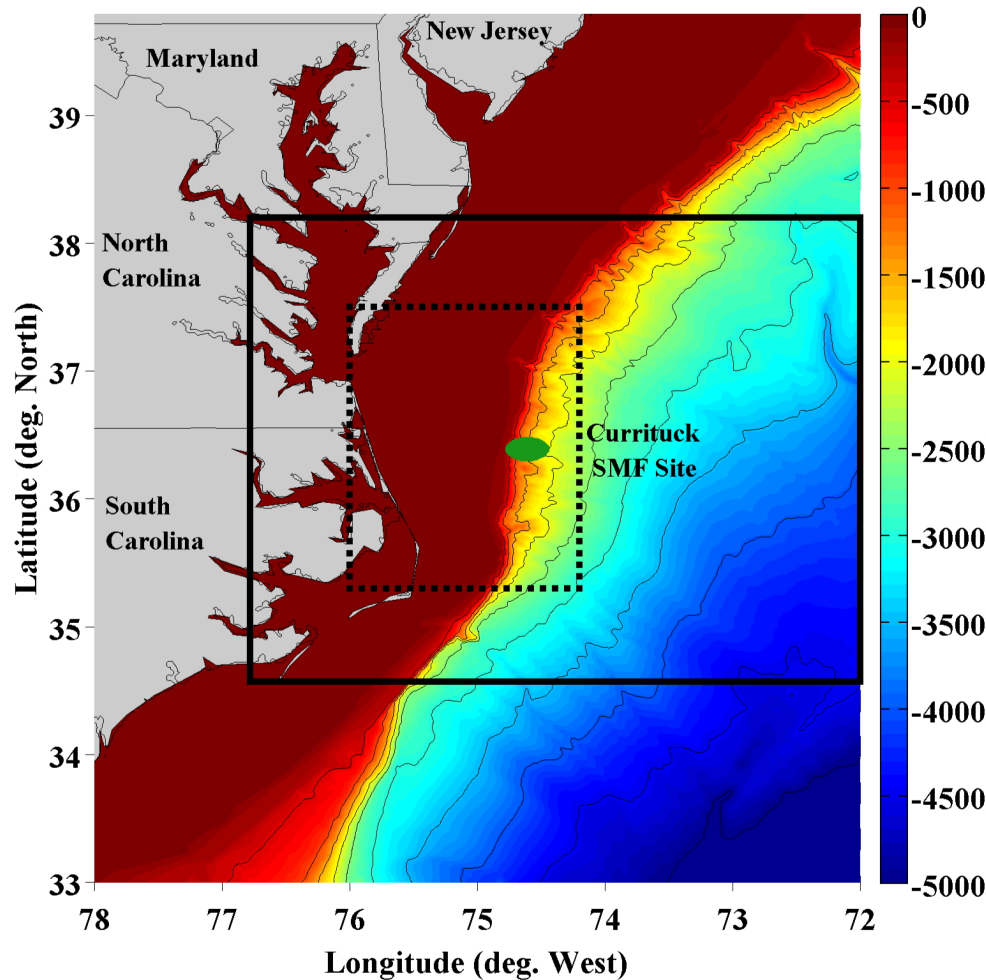


- SMF can generate large damaging tsunamis.
- SMF scars are widespread on US Atlantic margin, but mostly old - 1,000s of yrs. (Exception: 1929 Grand Bank SMF tsunami)

(ten Brink et al., 2014)



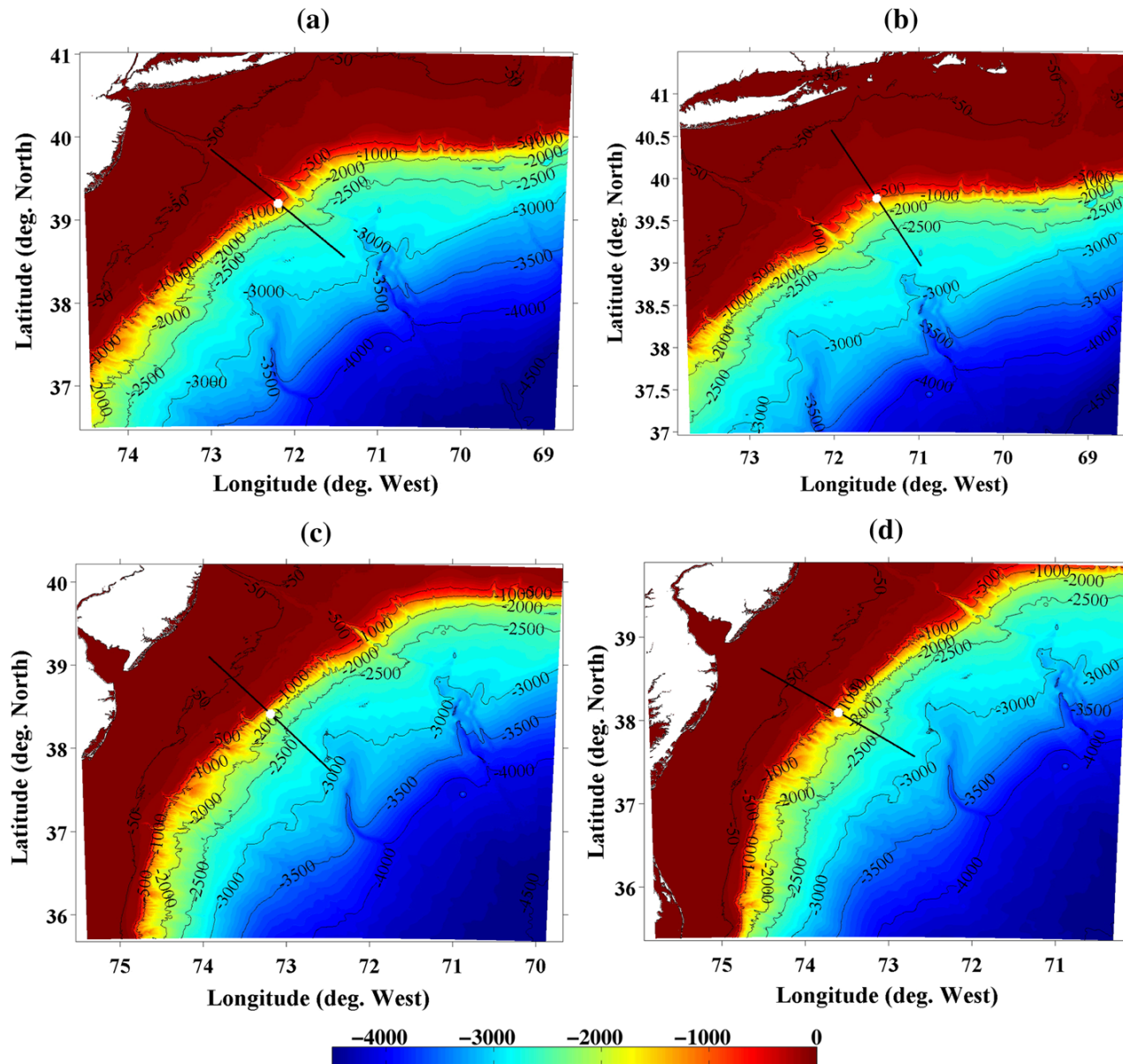
Case study of US East Coast SMF: Currituck



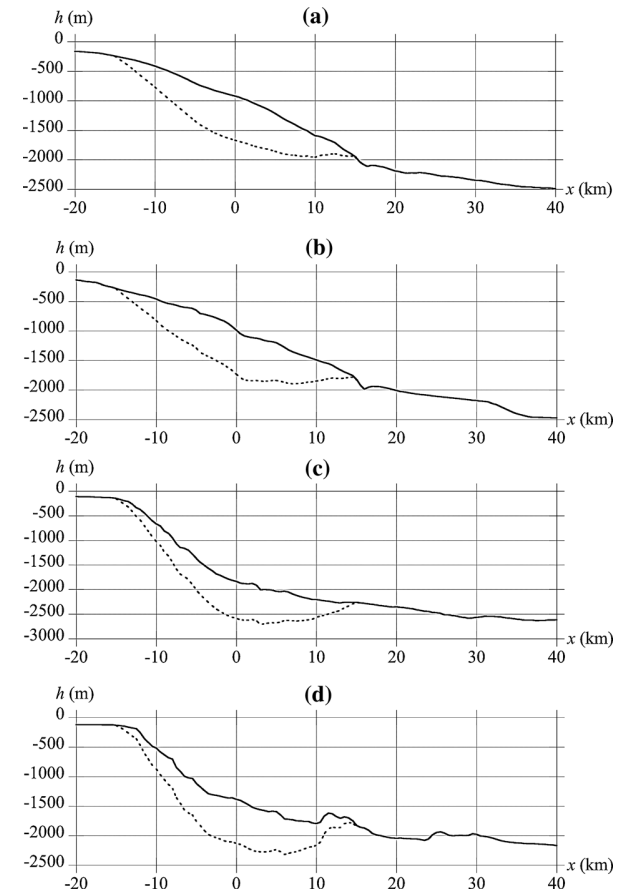
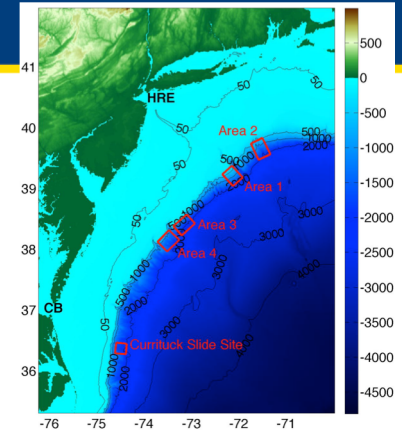
(Grilli et al., 2015)



Currituck SMF proxies in areas 1 to 4

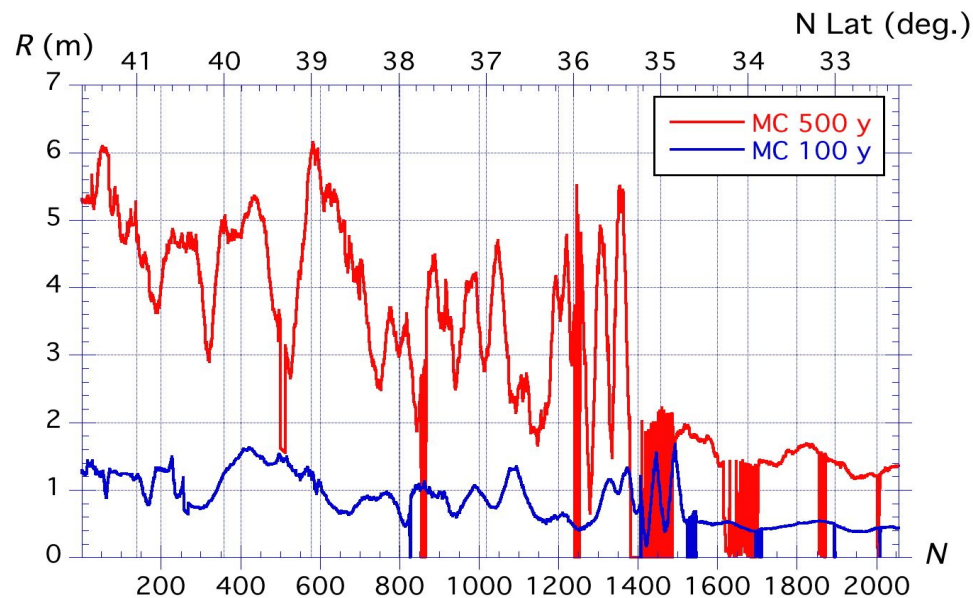


SMFs: 165
km³ rigid
slumps

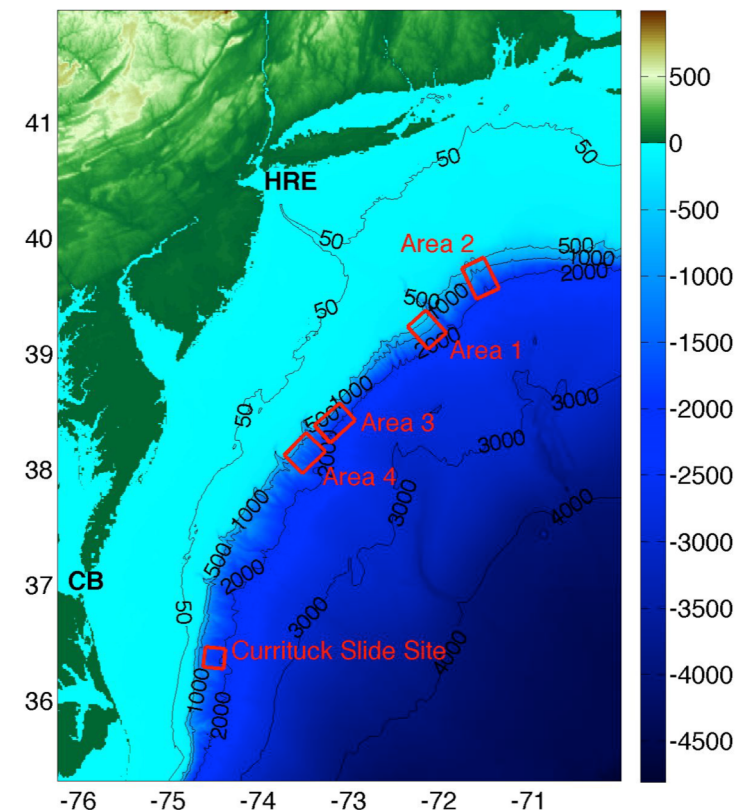
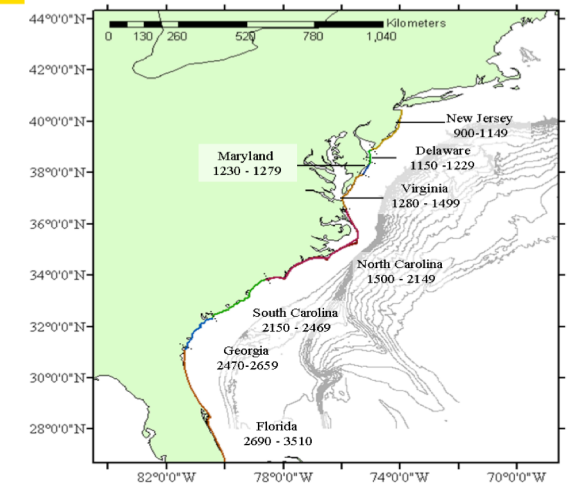




Monte Carlo estimation of tsunami hazard for Currituck-like SMF events



- Grilli et al's (2009, MG) Simple Monte Carlo slope stability analyses along transects:
 - areas of estimated (100-500 year) runup
- Sediment availability/geology:
 - Areas 1 to 4: Currituck SMF proxies, with 165 km³, 14,000 y old (Grilli et al., 2015)





Cape Fear slide

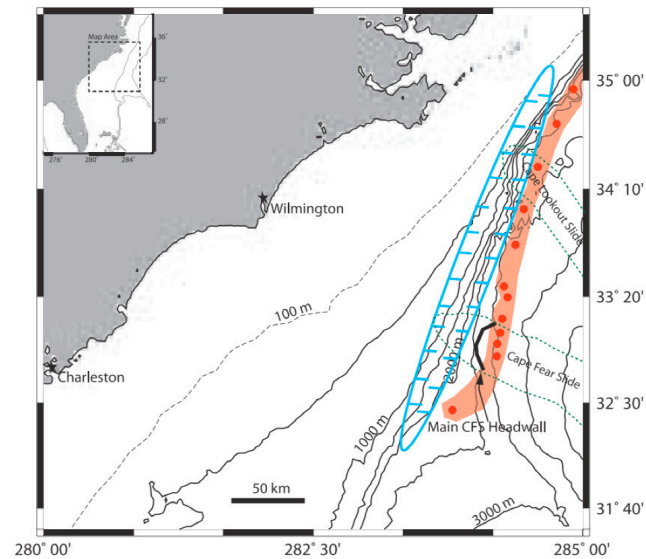


Figure 29: General location of the Cape Fear Slide (CFS) headwall and debris field (Hornbach et al., 2007). The Carolina trough is outlined in blue and the approximate location of a chain of salt diapirs is denoted by red circles.

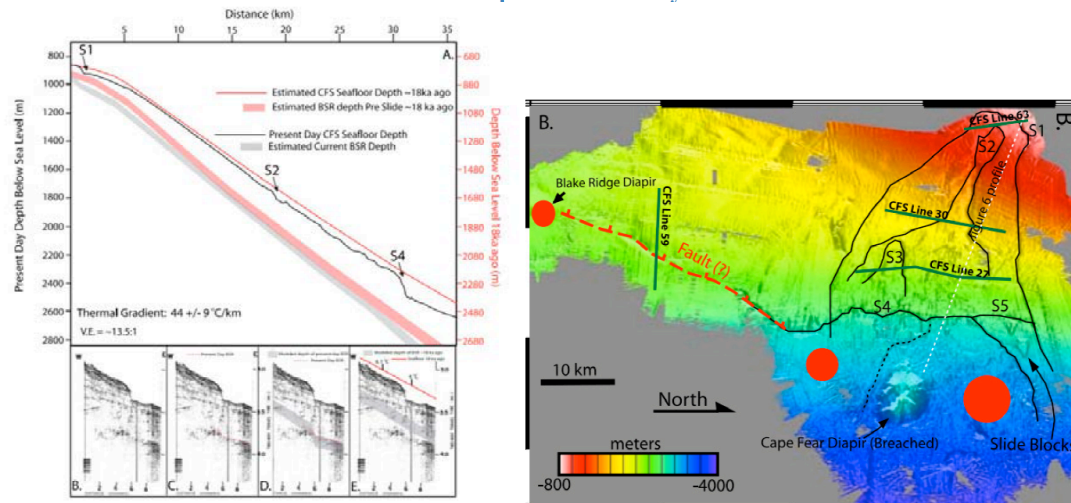
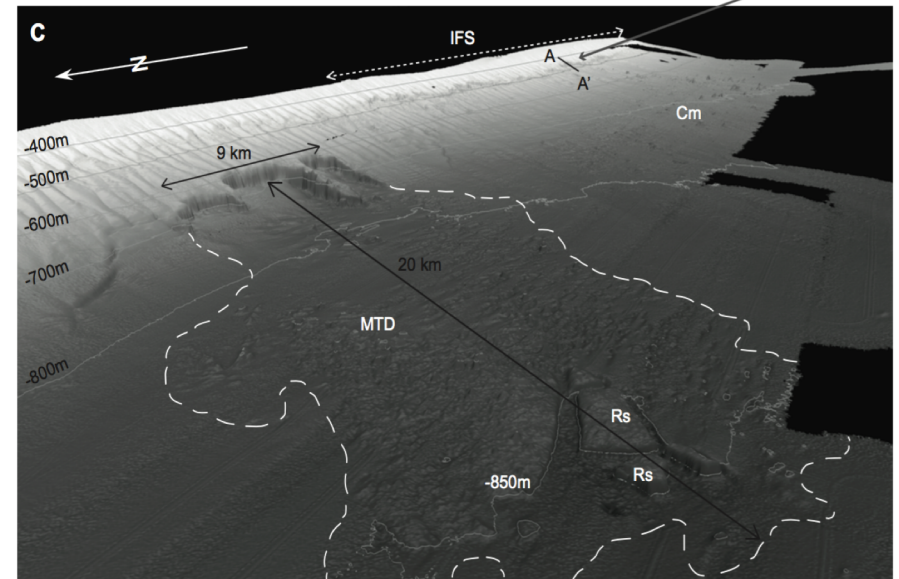
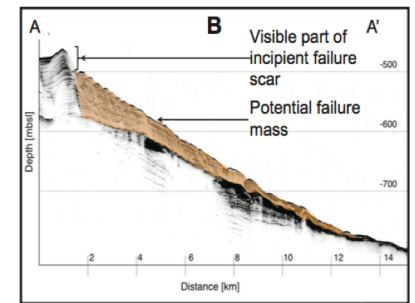
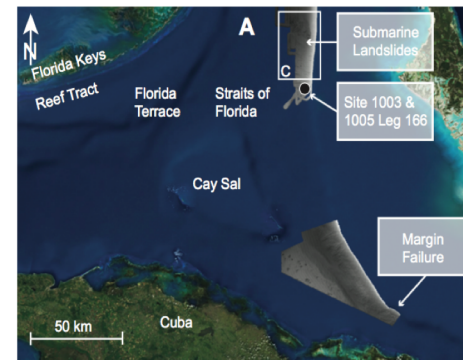
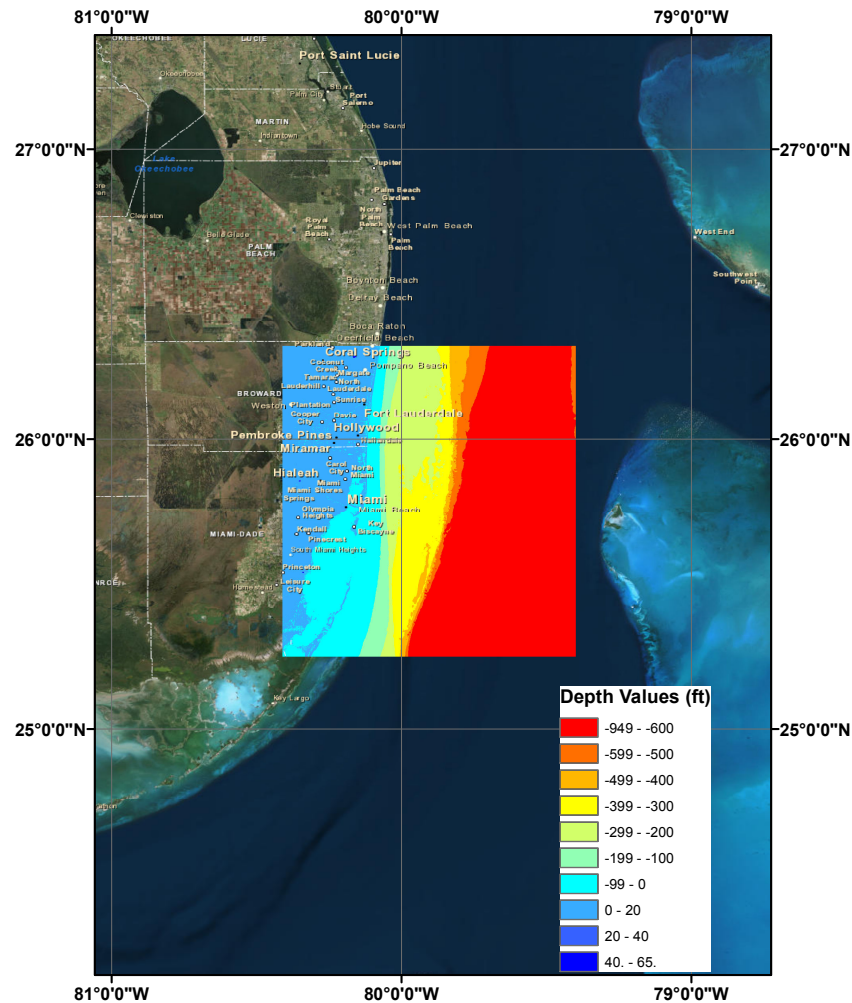


Figure 30: (a) Transect showing the current bathymetry and identified SMF failure surfaces at the CFS site. (b) Bathymetry used in tsunami simulations, with SMF and diapir locations (red dots). (Hornbach et al., 2007).



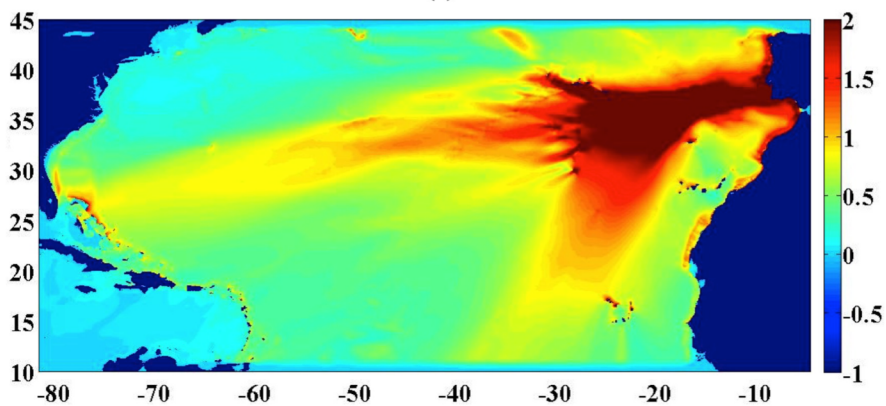
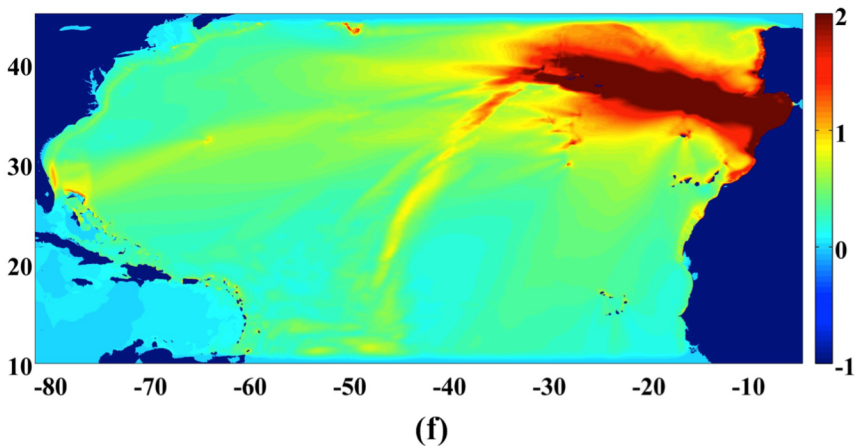
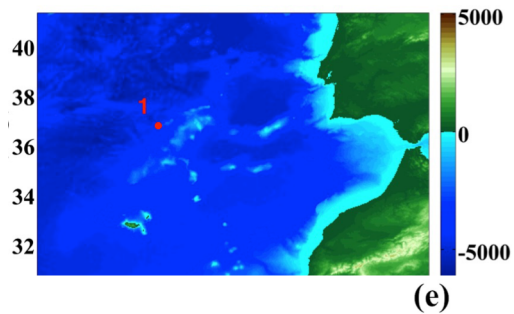
Near-field SMF sources: West Bahamas Banks



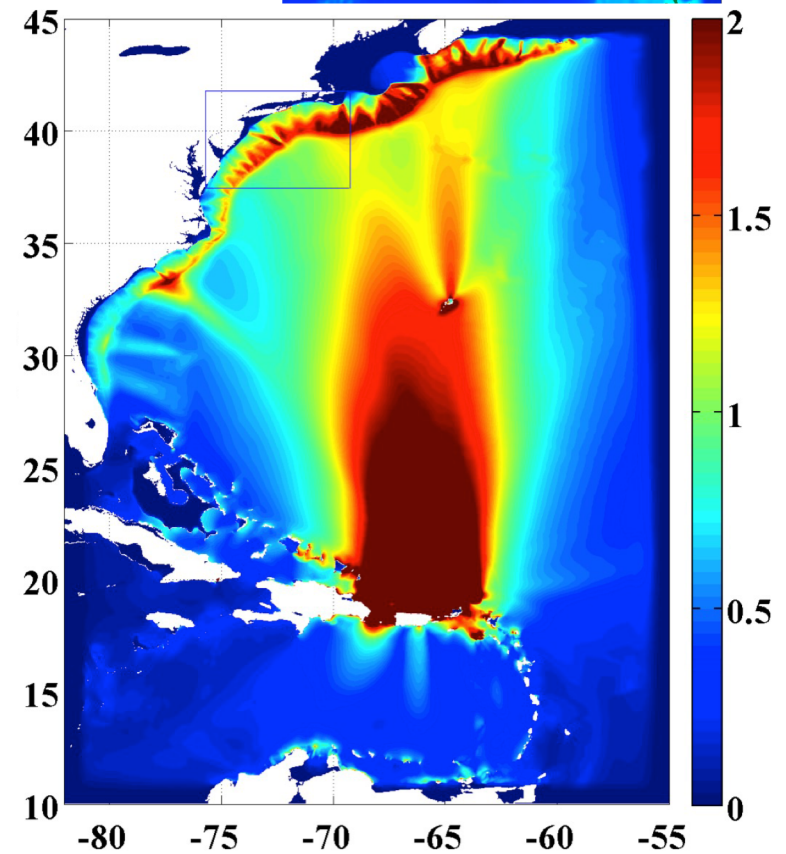
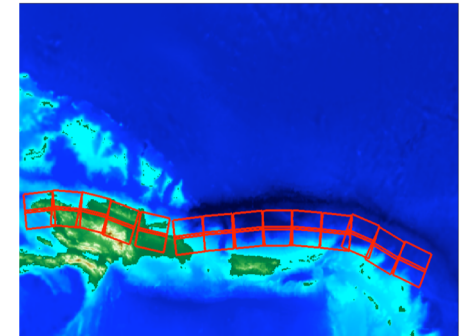
(Schnyder et al., 2013)



Far-field source modeling



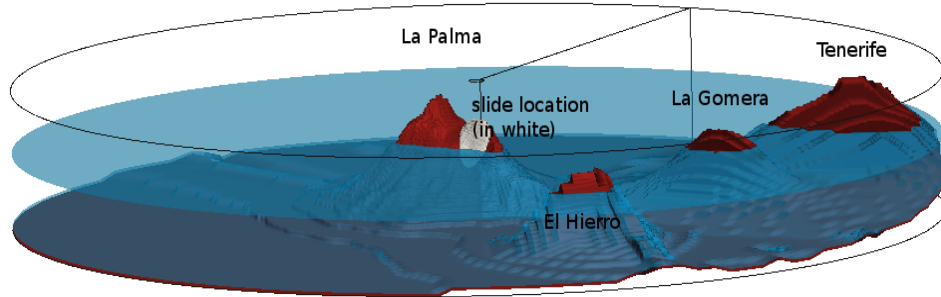
Azores Convergence Zone (Lisbon), M_9



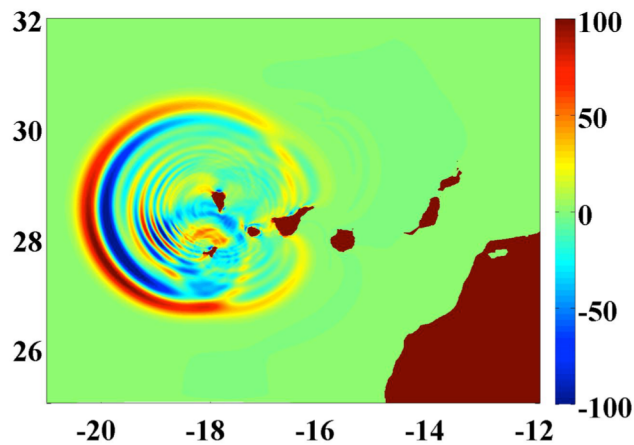
Puerto Rico Trench, M_9



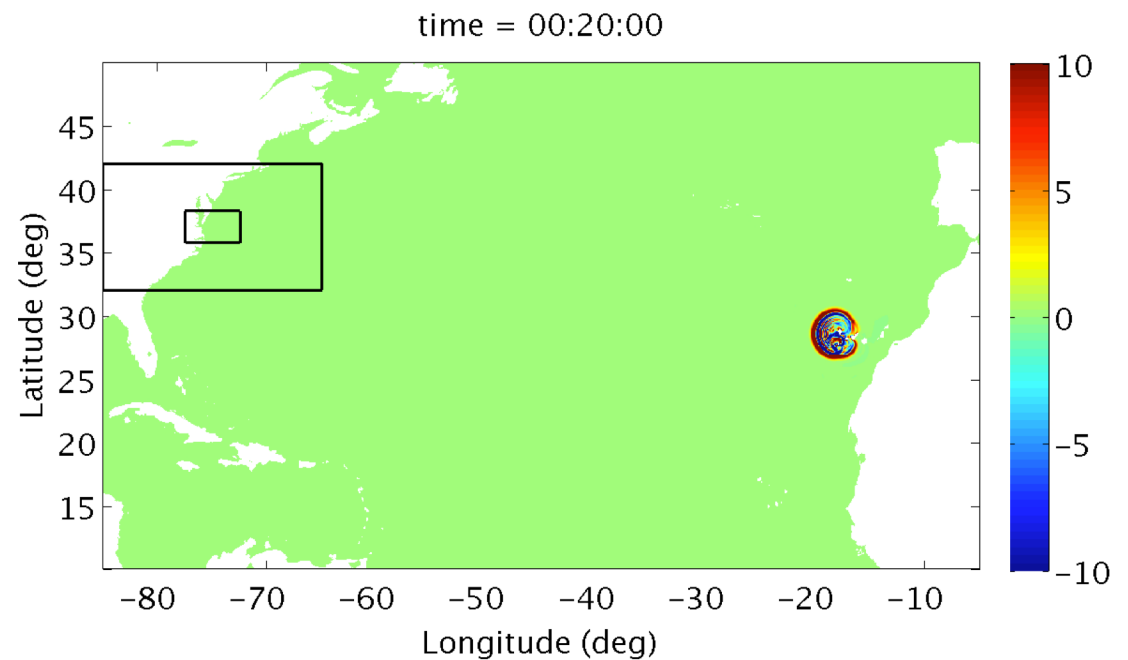
CVV Flank Collapse source (450 km³)



Surface elevation as a function of time (meter)

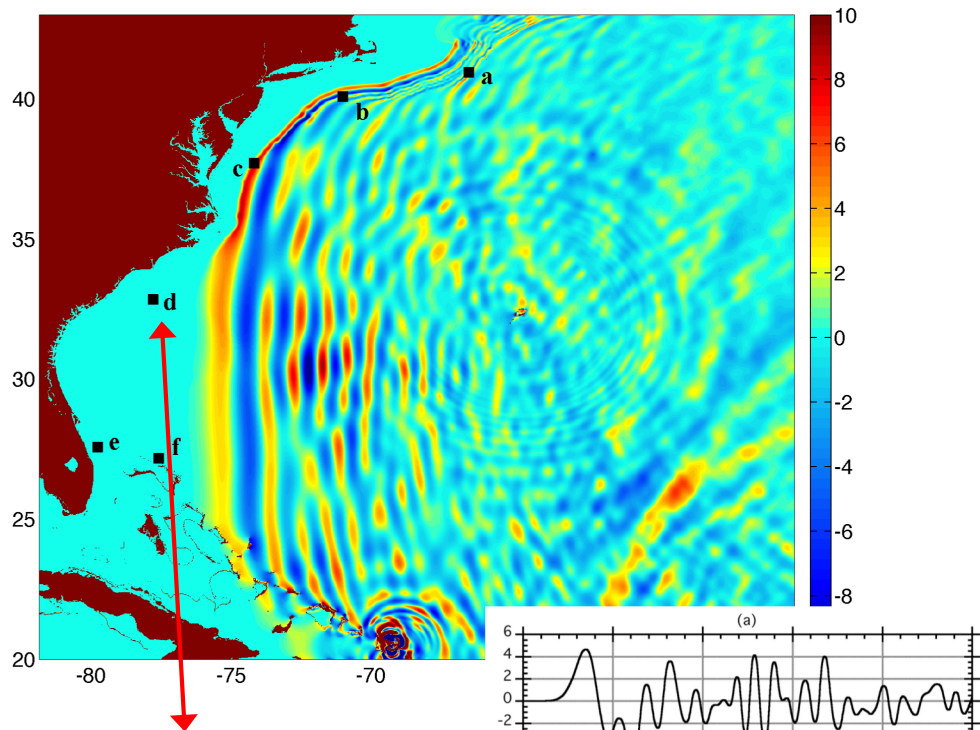


-> Surface elevation
(meter) after 20 min

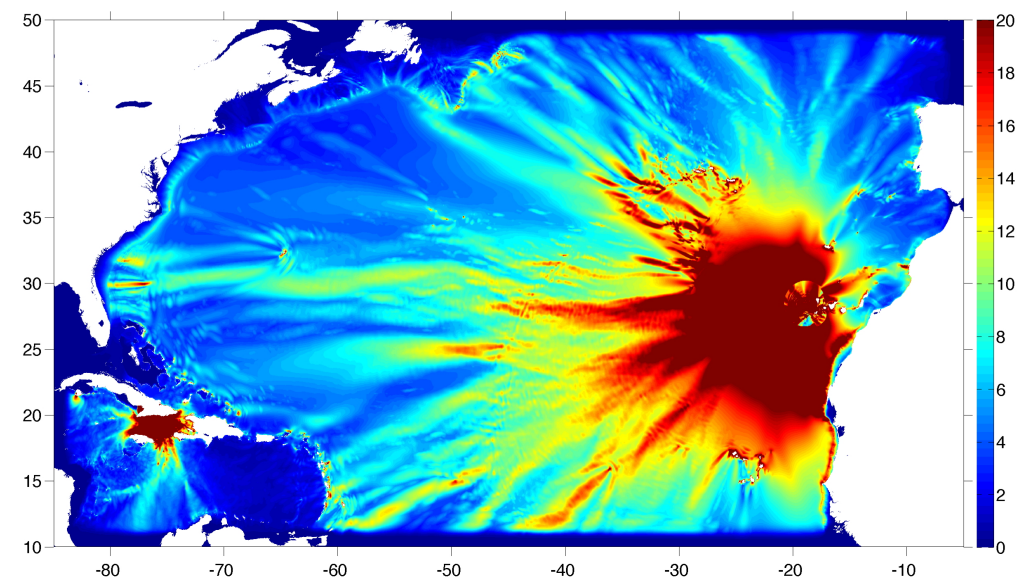
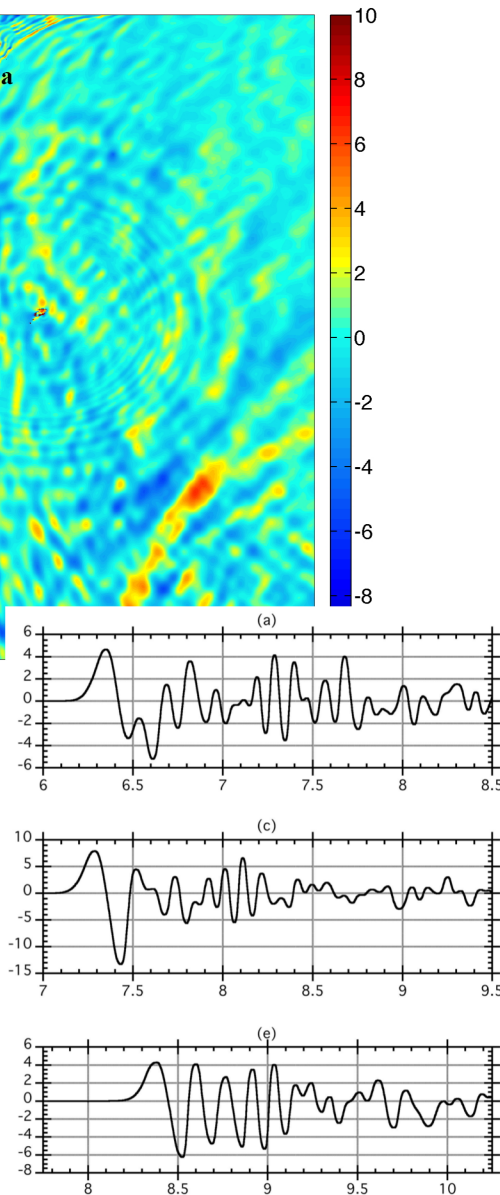




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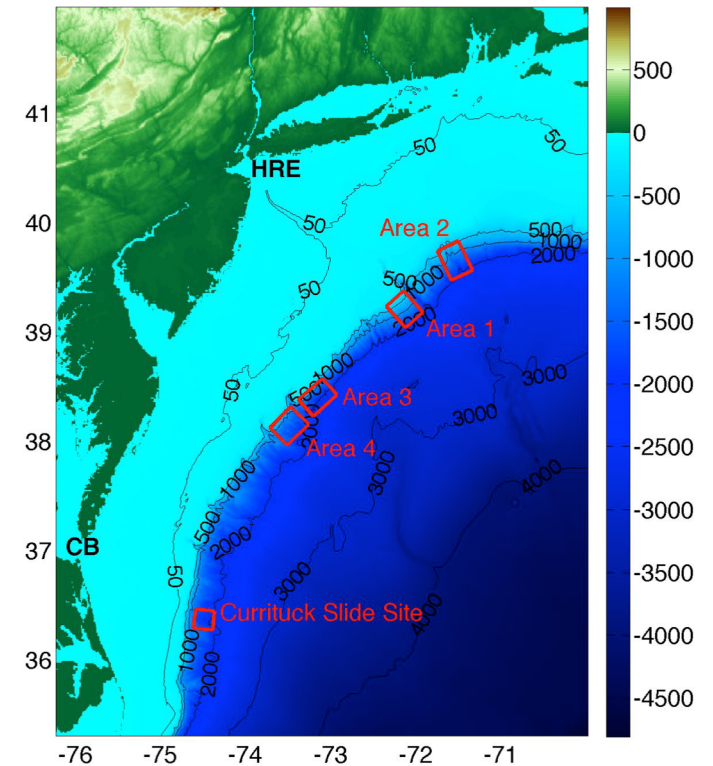
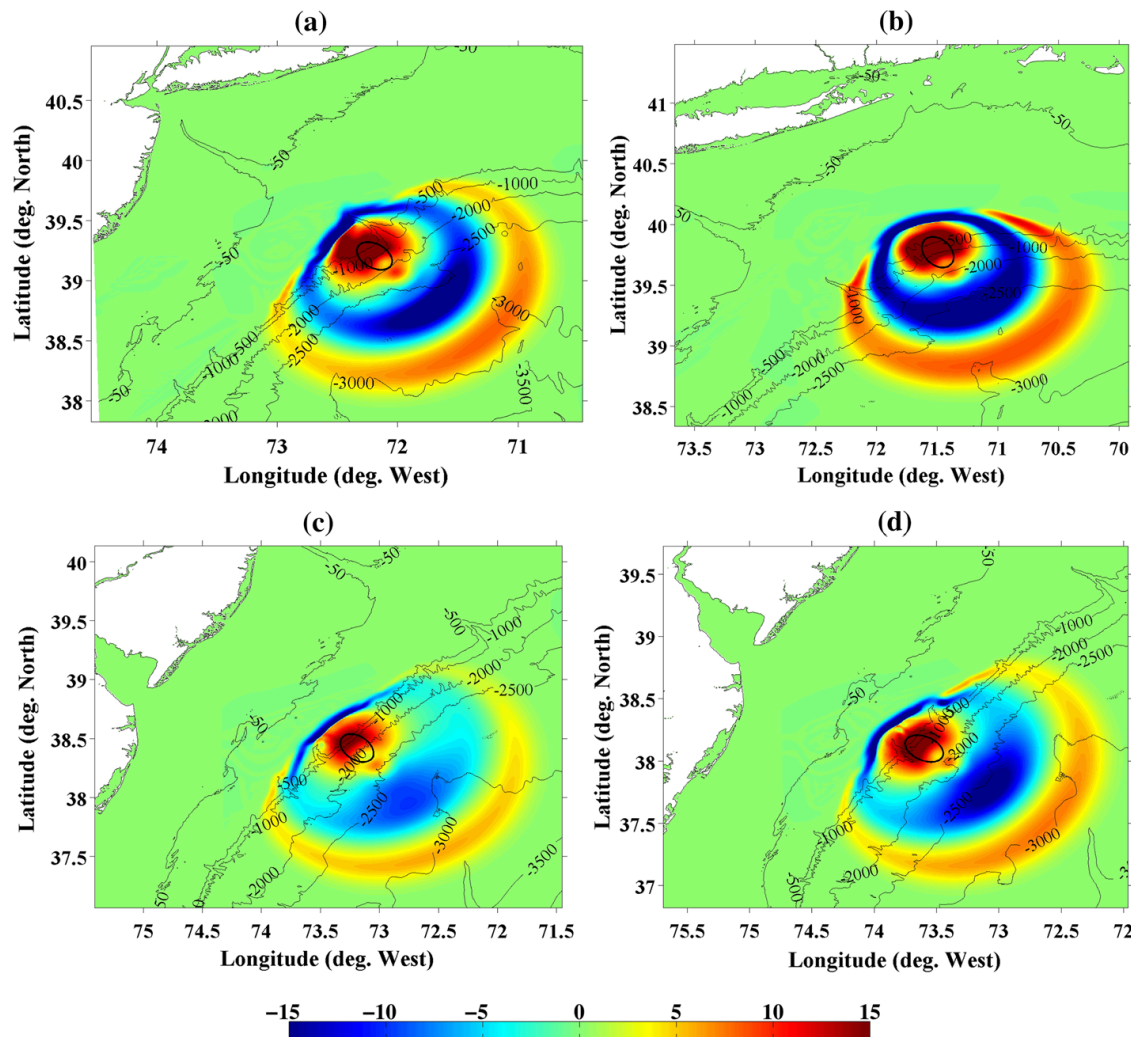
Dispersive trains of
large waves, 9-12
min period



- 450 km³:
Up to 5-6 m
runup/inundation
- 80 km³:
Up to 2-2.5 m
runup/inundation



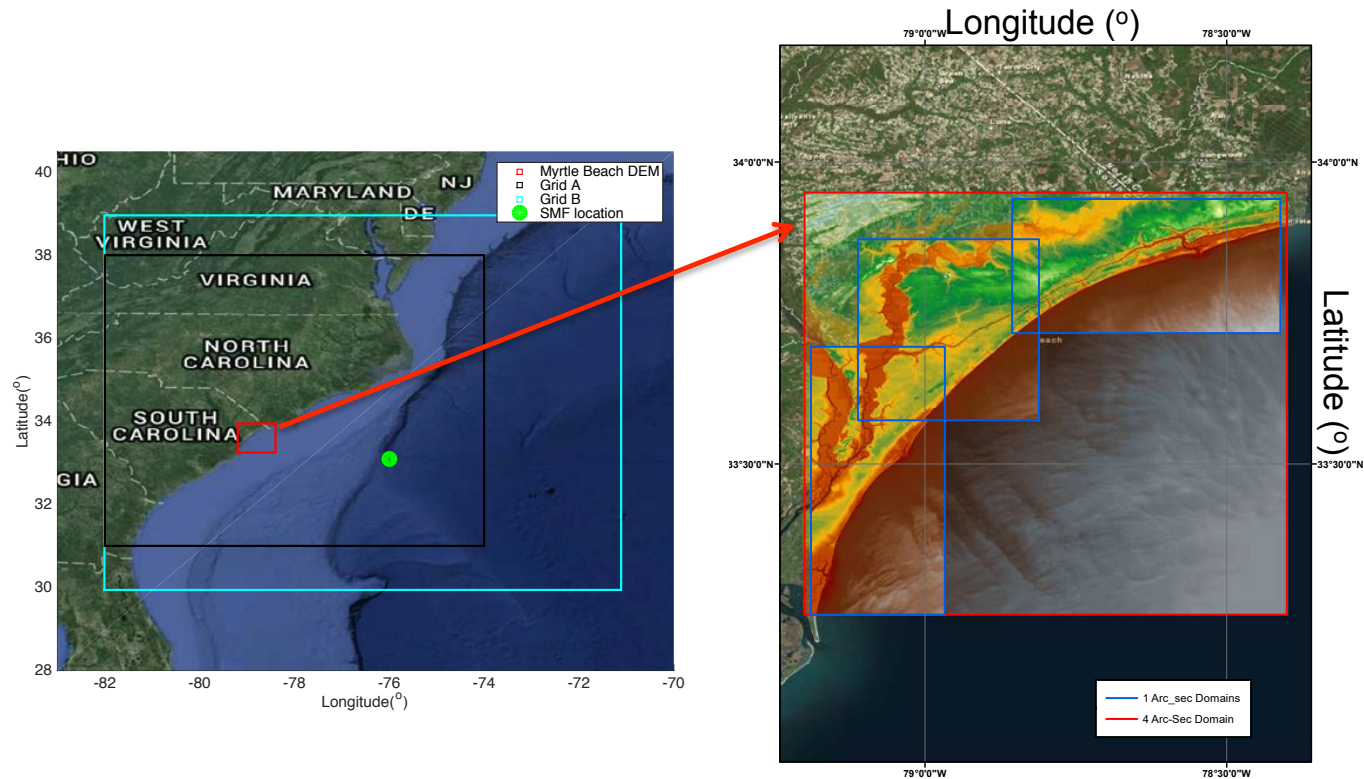
Currituck SMF proxies in areas 1 to 4



- Modeled as rigid slumps (surface elevations after 13.3 min)
(Details in Grilli et al., 2015)
- Deformation is being studied



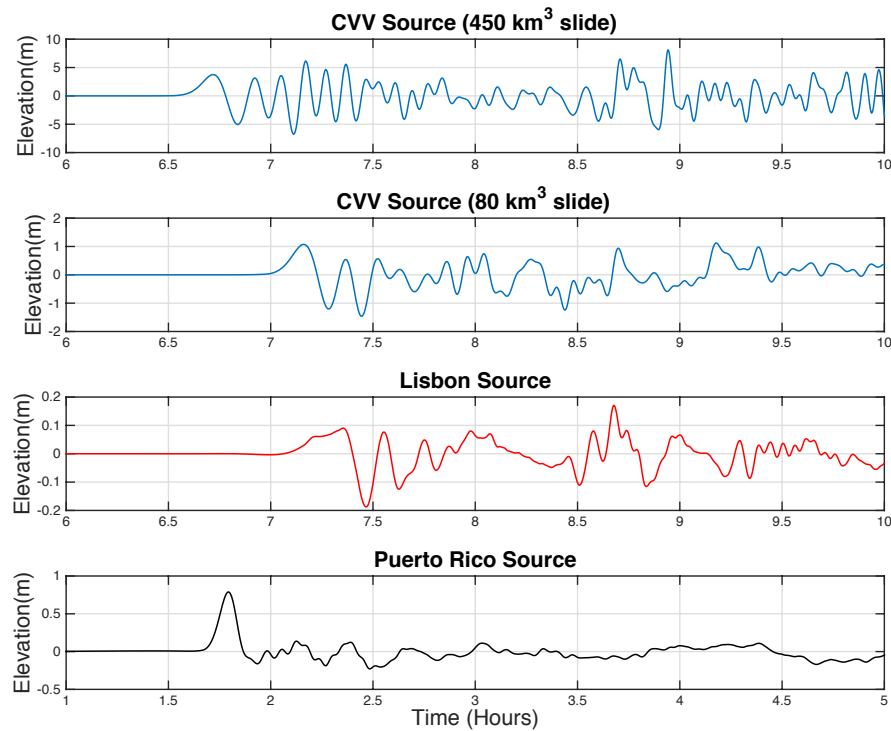
Nesting of computations from large to small scale



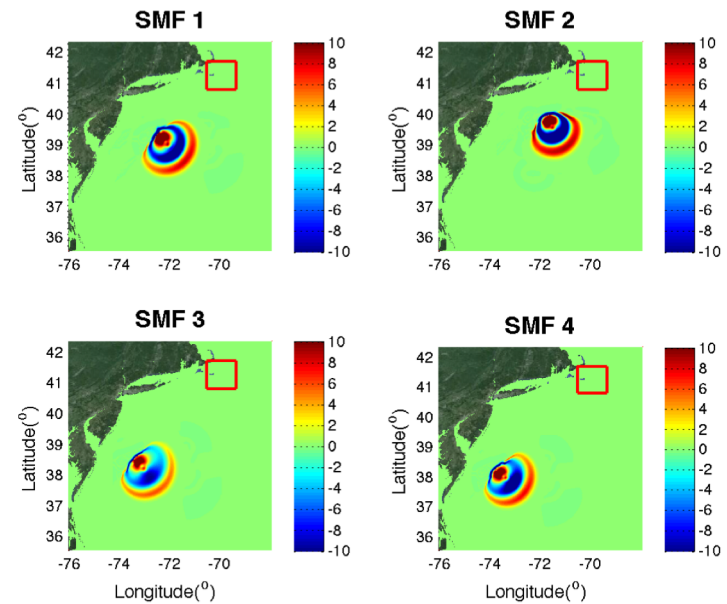
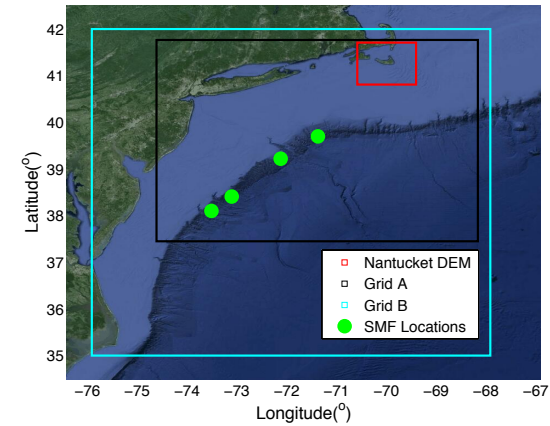
The sequence of grid nesting. The left depicts Grid A and B and the location of the Myrtle Beach DEM. The right frame shows the 1 arc-second grids.



Inputs for calculations



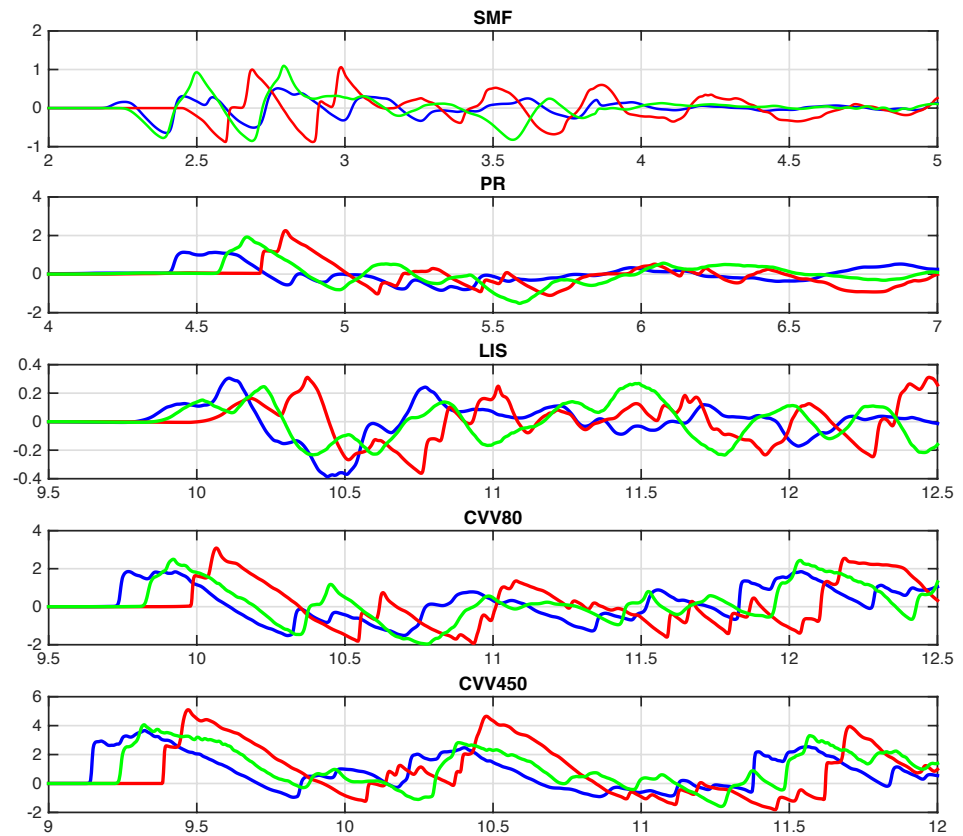
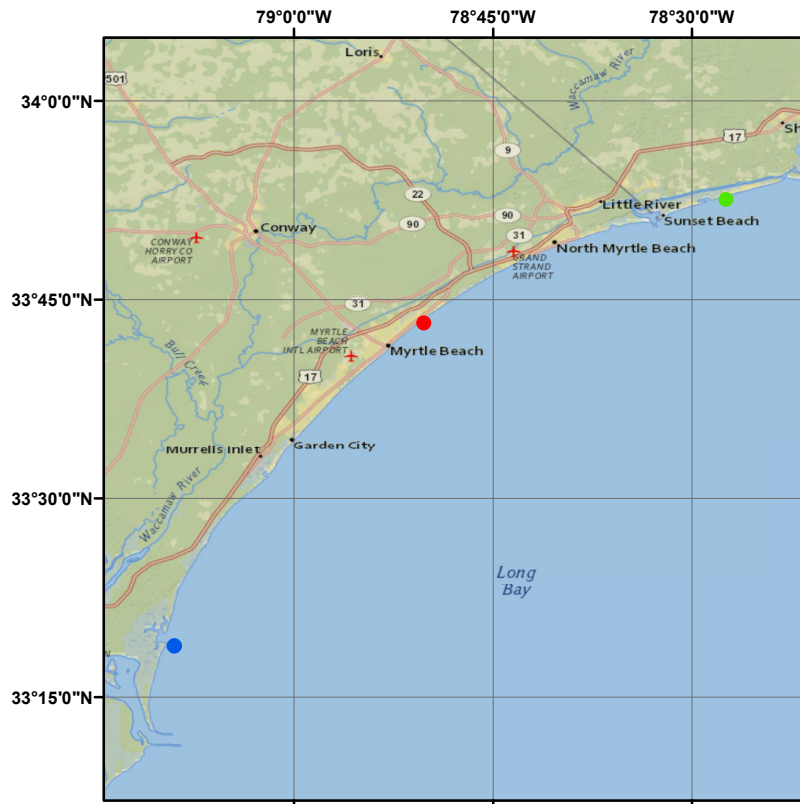
Distant sources



SMF sources



Arrival times after initial event: Myrtle Beach





Discussion – East Coast Risk

- 1) First generation maps are based on extreme sources/PMTs, with no consideration for return periods of events.
 - Return periods are needed to assess risk => future work on PTHA ?
 - Realistic SMF rheology needs to be considered => ongoing work
 - Last major PRT earthquake was in 1787 ($M_{8.1}$); is a 200-300 year return period possible for a 600 year M_9 -PRT event ?

- 2) Discussion during USGS workshop (Boulder 2016)
 - No East Coast SMF has been found that is more recent than 10,000 years (except for Grand Banks event in 1929)
 - Main SMF trigger is seismicity => slope stability analysis with peak horizontal earthquake acceleration (Approach in Grilli et al.'s, 2009 MC work)
 - Maximum PRT event is linked to whether plates are coupled or uncoupled. No apparent consensus at USGS on this (100s to 1,000s of years) and need for more paleo-tsunami work in the PRT area to help decide.



Discussion – East Coast Risk

2. Size and likelihood of CVV failure (e.g., 80, 450 km³; single/multiple).
 - might dominate east coast hazard for most extreme case, or not?
 - (see Cape Verde mega-tsunami 73ka ago, 200+ m runup; Ramalho et al., 2015)
 - No guidance from USGS as they are not funded to study these volcano failures

- 3) SMF siting and rheological properties have major influence on coastal hazard.
 - Need for geological/geotechnical data, siting, for east coast SMFs
 - USGS (Chaytor's group) will provide data based on recent field survey. This can be fed into more accurate MC studies of east coast landside tsunamis.

4. Geist et al. (2014,2015) study of 2013 East Coast meteo-tsunami
 - 1-2 m runup can be expected on a 100-200 y time scale
 - similar risk to seismic, SMF events (ongoing work)

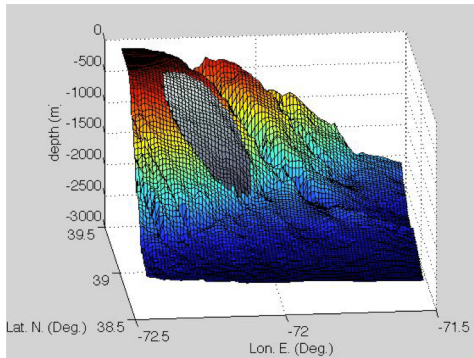


Ongoing modeling efforts

- Rheology effects on SMF behavior – solid vs deforming slides
- Meteo-tsunami events – impacts on harbors and exposed beaches
- Dynamic erosion and morphology change during events
 - increased hazard (?) and shoaling effects in navigable channels

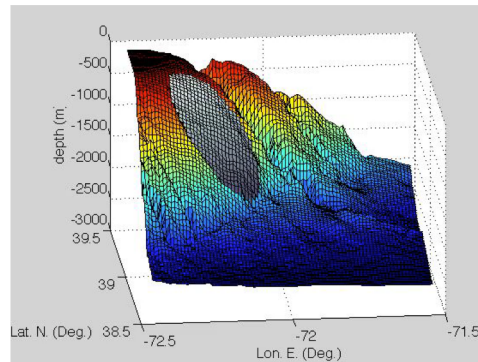


1. Rheology effects on tsunami event simulation



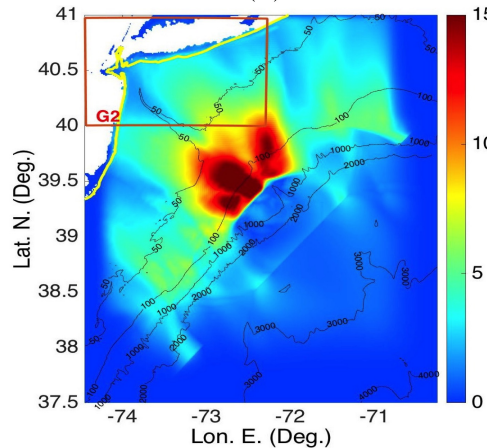
Rigid slump

(a)

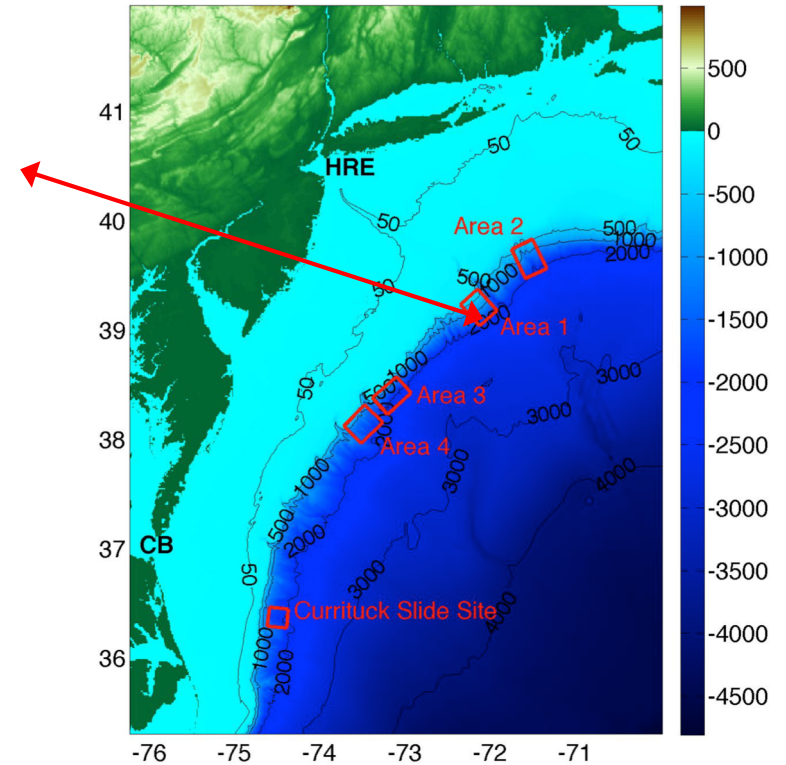
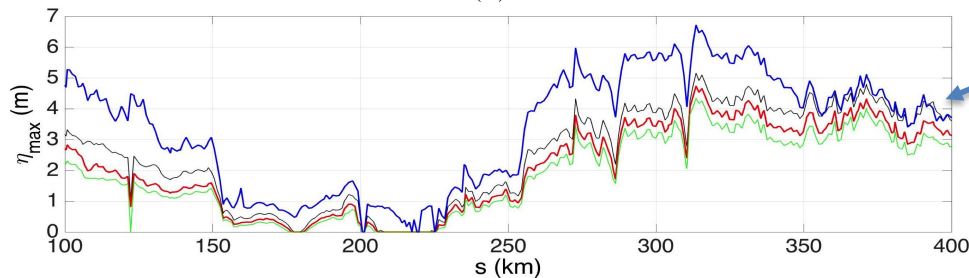
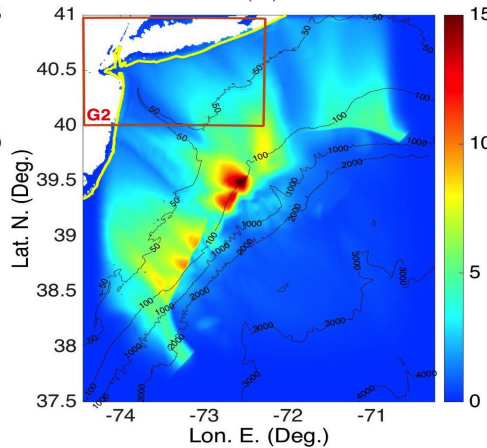


Deforming slide

(b)



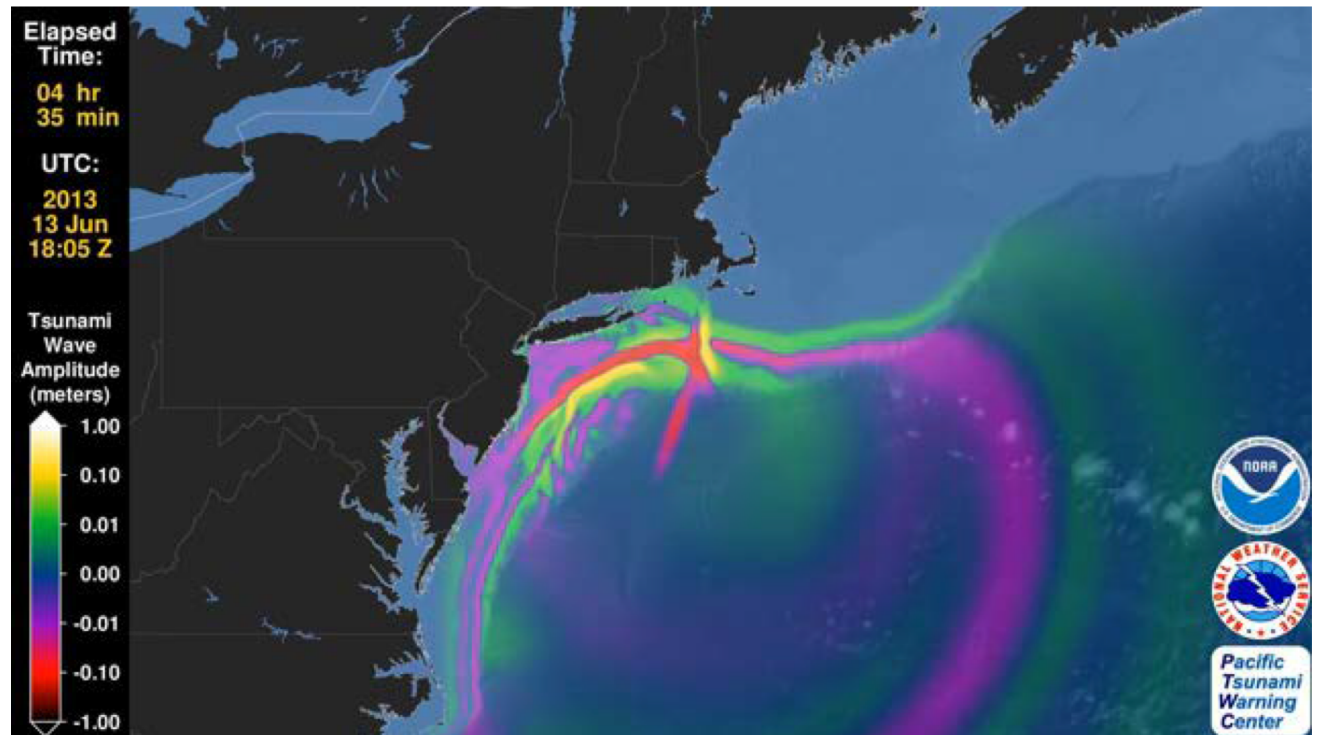
(c)



- Hudson River CRT proxy elevation at 5 m isobaths.
- Comparing rigid slump (blue) to 3 deforming slides with varying rheology (Grilli et al., 2017)
- Rheology effects are not included in 1st generation maps



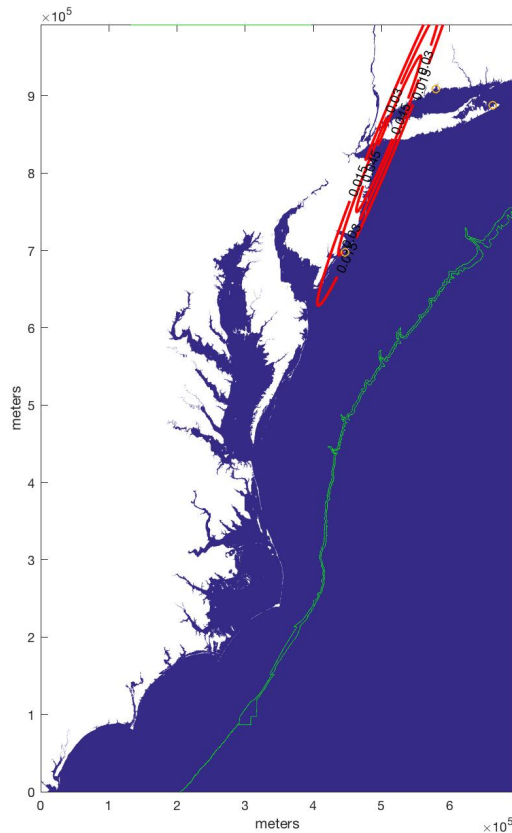
2. Meteo-tsunami hazard



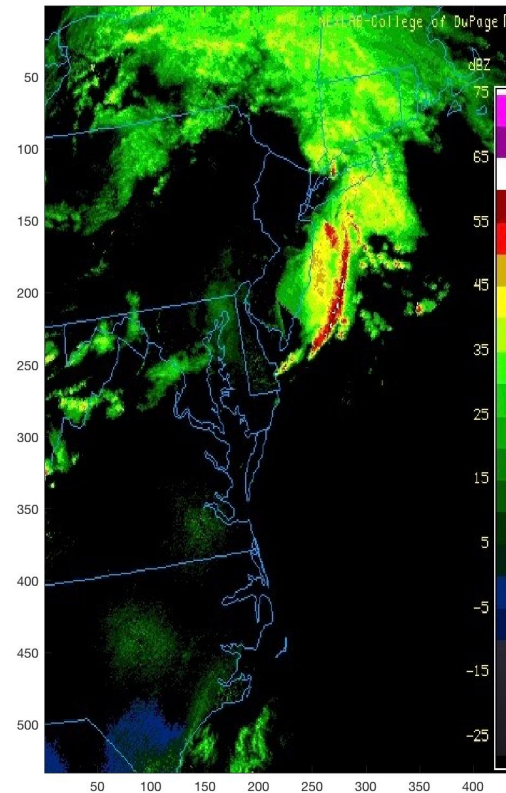
June 13, 2013 East Coast meteo-tsunami -> 2 m waves off of New Jersey



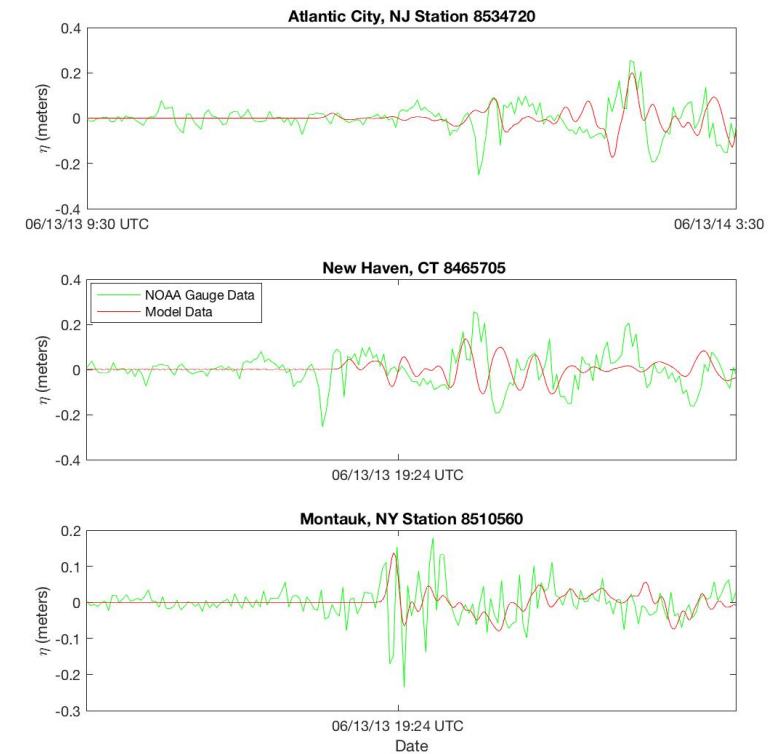
June 13, 2013 Mid-Atlantic event



Forcing in
model simulation



Observed radar
image



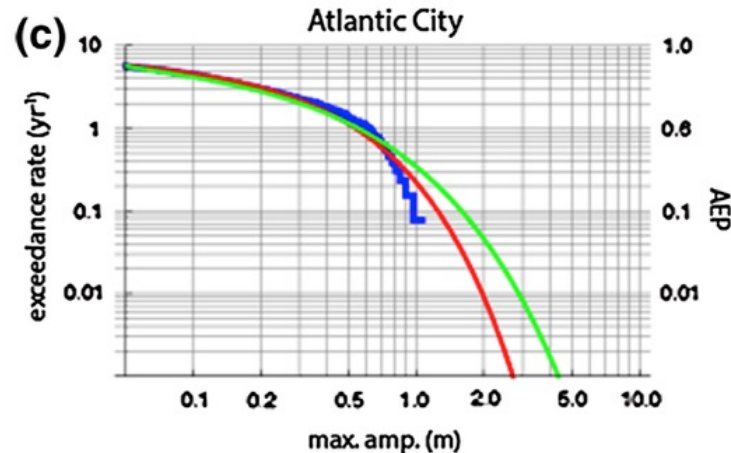
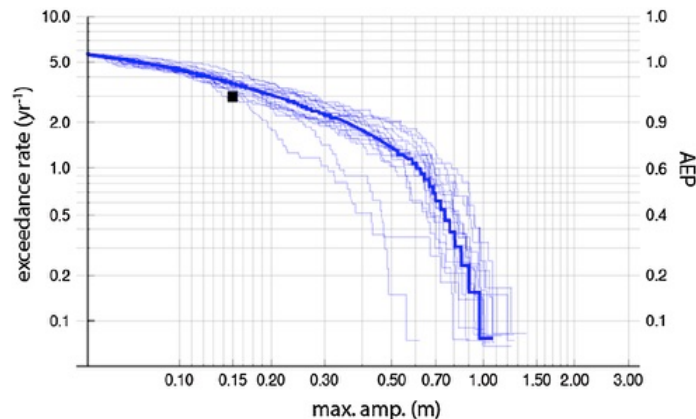
Observed and modeled
tide gauge response



- Meteo-tsunami events are frequent. We are presently testing our ability to reproduce observed events in model simulations.

	Date	Max Pressure Jump (mb)	Number of Gauges	Length(kilometers)	Storm Velocity(meters/sec)	Area
1	06/13/2011	3.7	16	515	26	Mid-Atlantic Coast
2	06/30/2012	4.1	7	500	23	Mid-Atlantic Coast
3	12/08/2011	3.6	20	400	23	Mid-Atlantic Coast
4	3/02/2009	4.9	8	1042	31	East Coast
5	07/02/2012	4.5	7	900	17	South Atlantic Coast
6	04/11/2013	3.8	7	561	23	Mid-Atlantic Coast
7	02/05/2016	3.6	4	1521	29	East Coast
8	01/16/2016	3.5	5	270	22	Mid-Atlantic Coast
9	06/09/2011	3.3	6	750	22	New England
10	02/03/2015	2.5	7	514	8	East Coast

- Large data set allows for analysis of return periods for events with wave heights up to a meter or so in size (Geist et al, 2014; Dusek et al, 2017; our work)

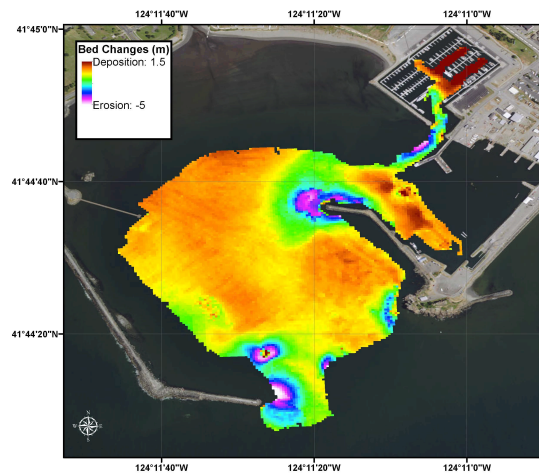


Monte-Carlo estimates of return period, and extrapolated estimates (Geist et al, 2014)

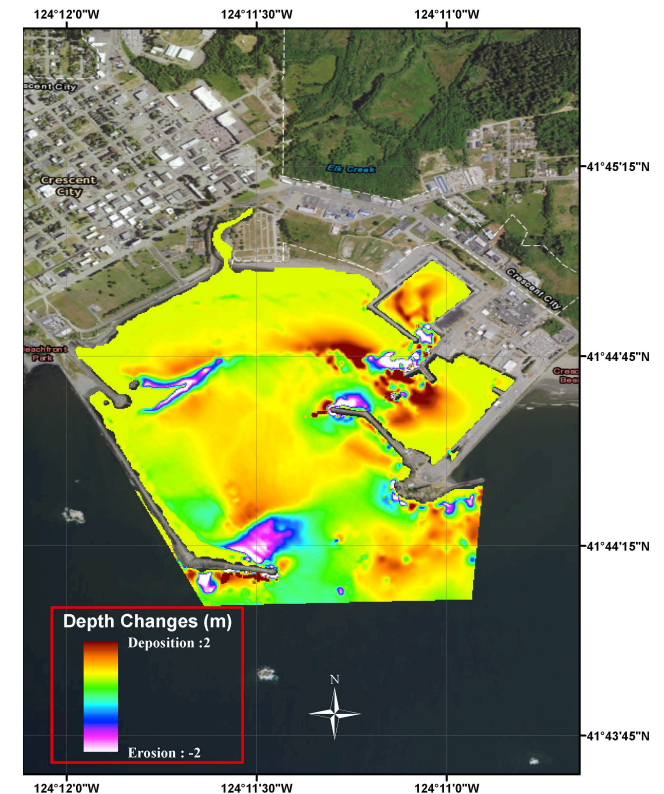


3. Erosion, deposition effects on navigation

Morphology change inside Crescent City, CA harbor during Tohoku 2011 event



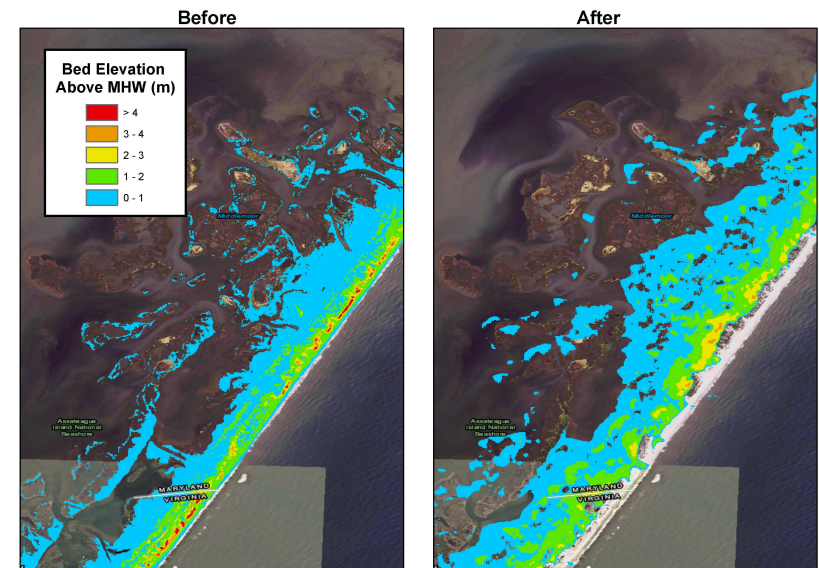
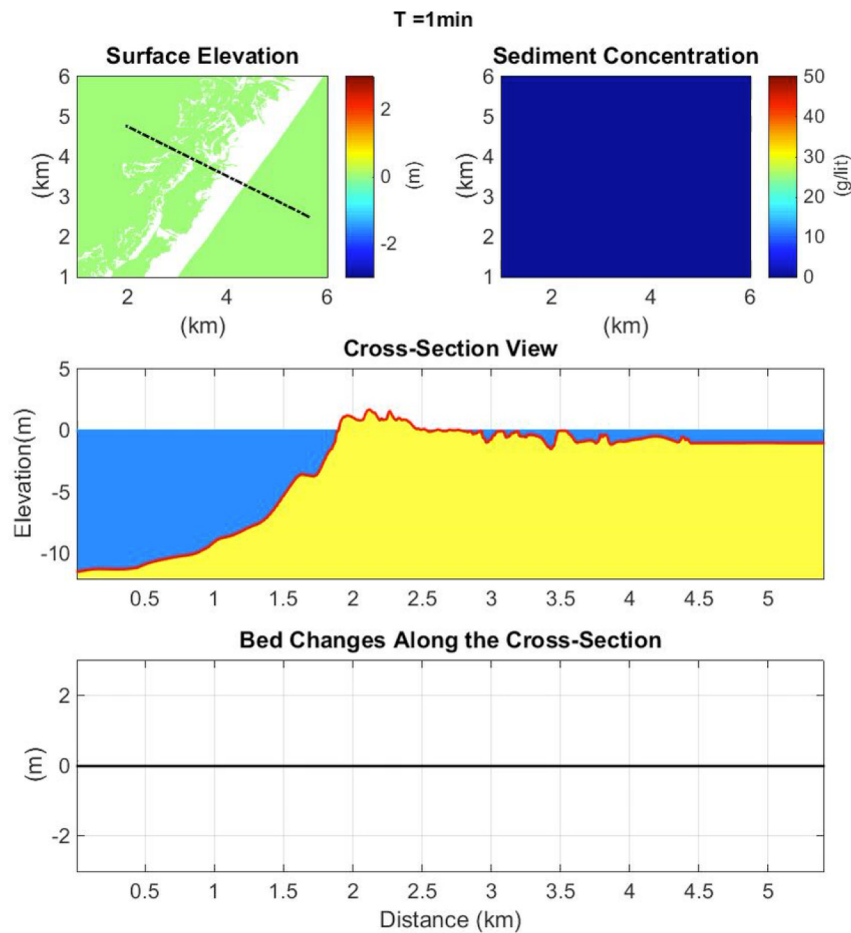
Measured (Wilson et al., 2012)



Calculated (Tehrani et al., 2016)



And effect on barrier islands





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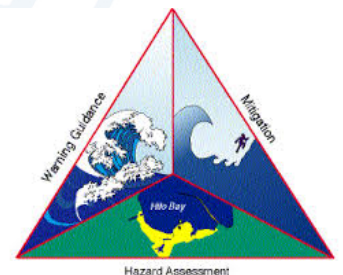
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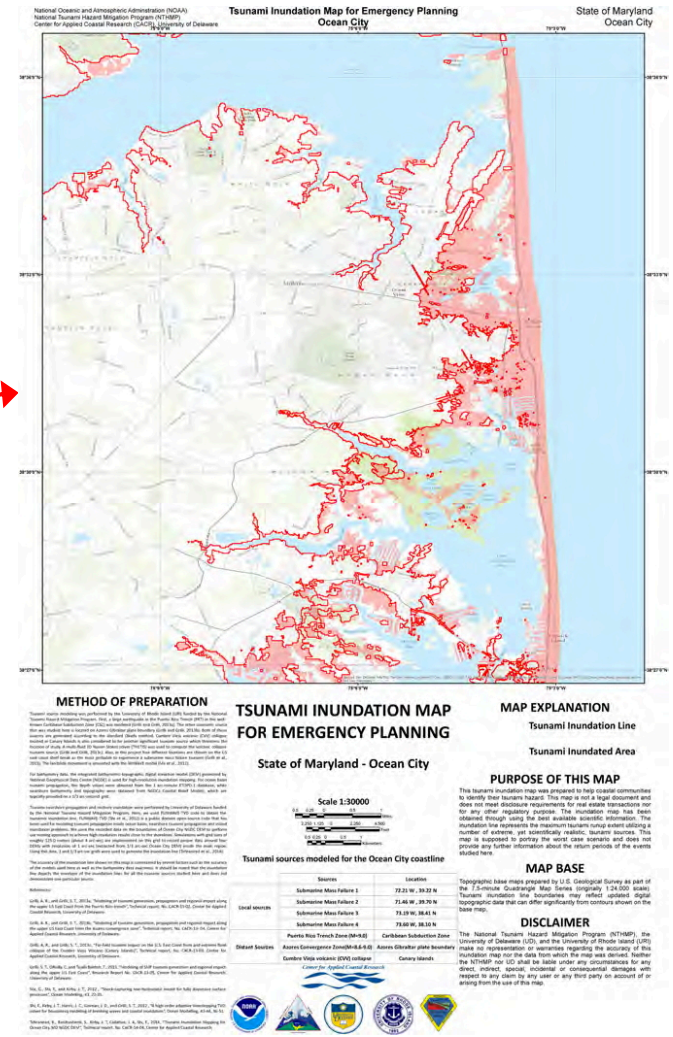
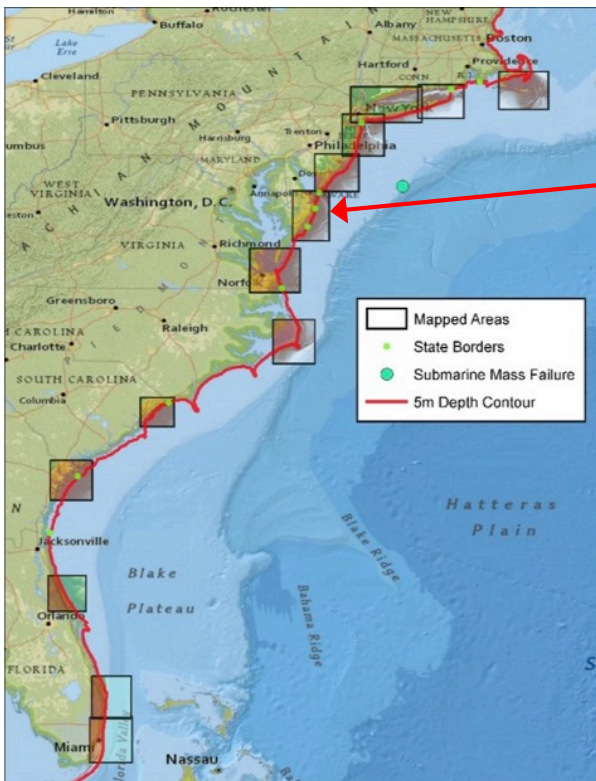
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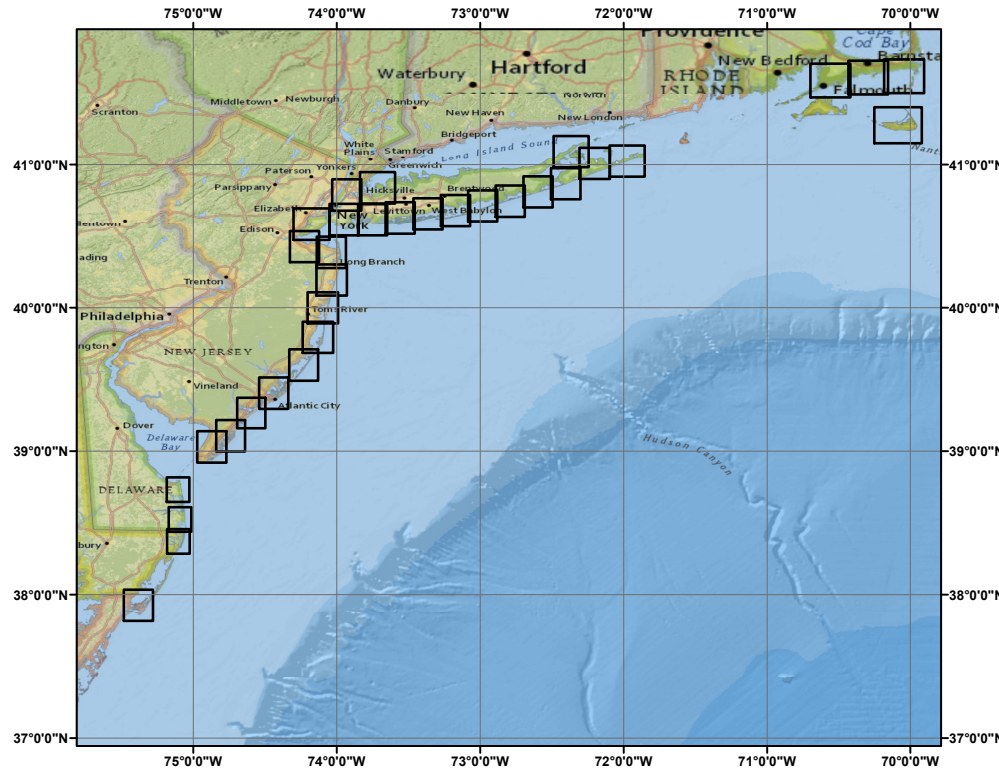
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Location of Maps Generated for the Upper East Coast

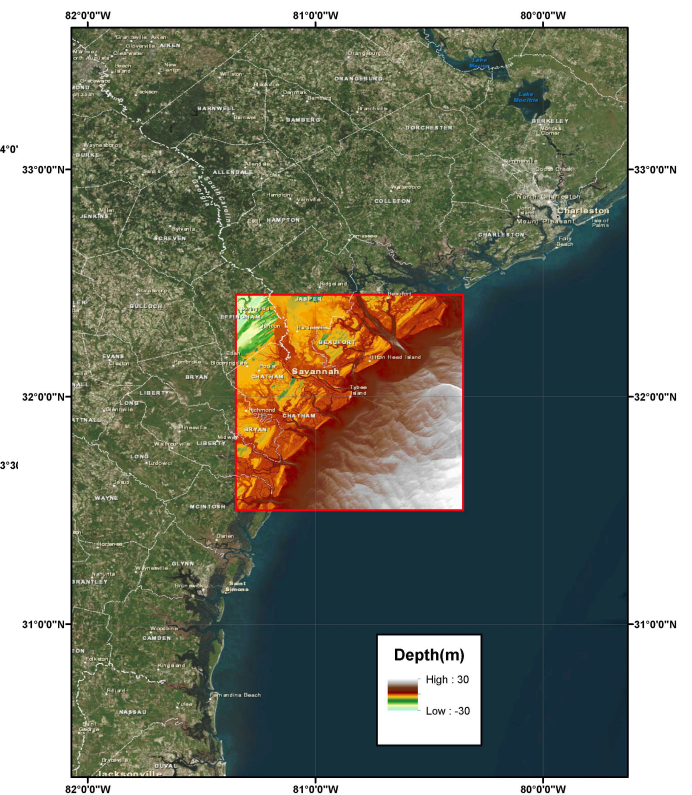
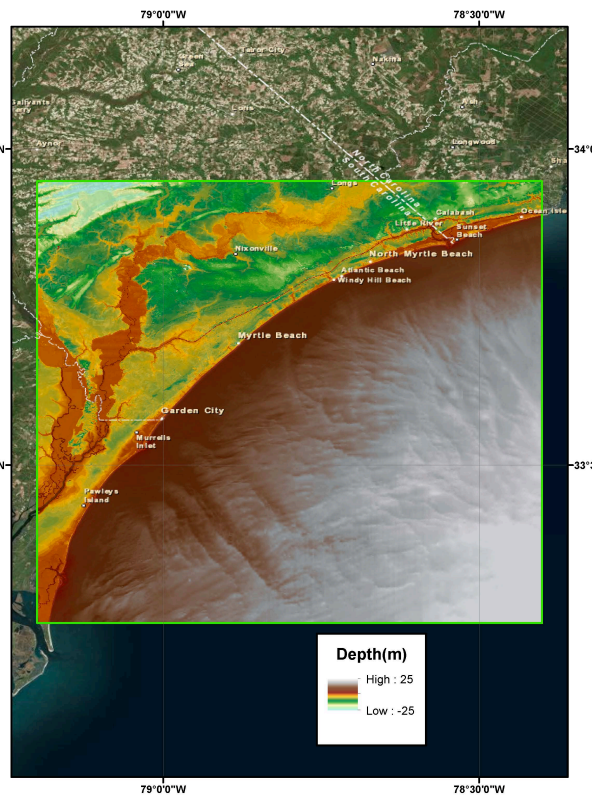
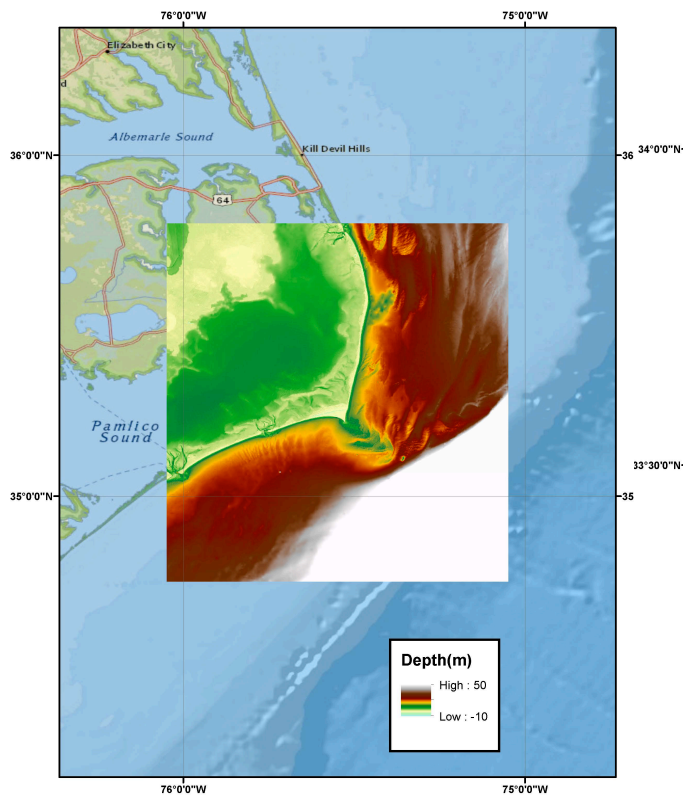


Reporting:

1. Source reports
 - Organized by event or class of event.
2. Inundation reports
 - Organized by DEM
 - Provide:
 - Information on sources for each region
 - Arrival time information
 - Description of maps
 - Description of additional products (mainly maritime, momentum flux estimates on land)
 - ArcGIS information.
3. Maps

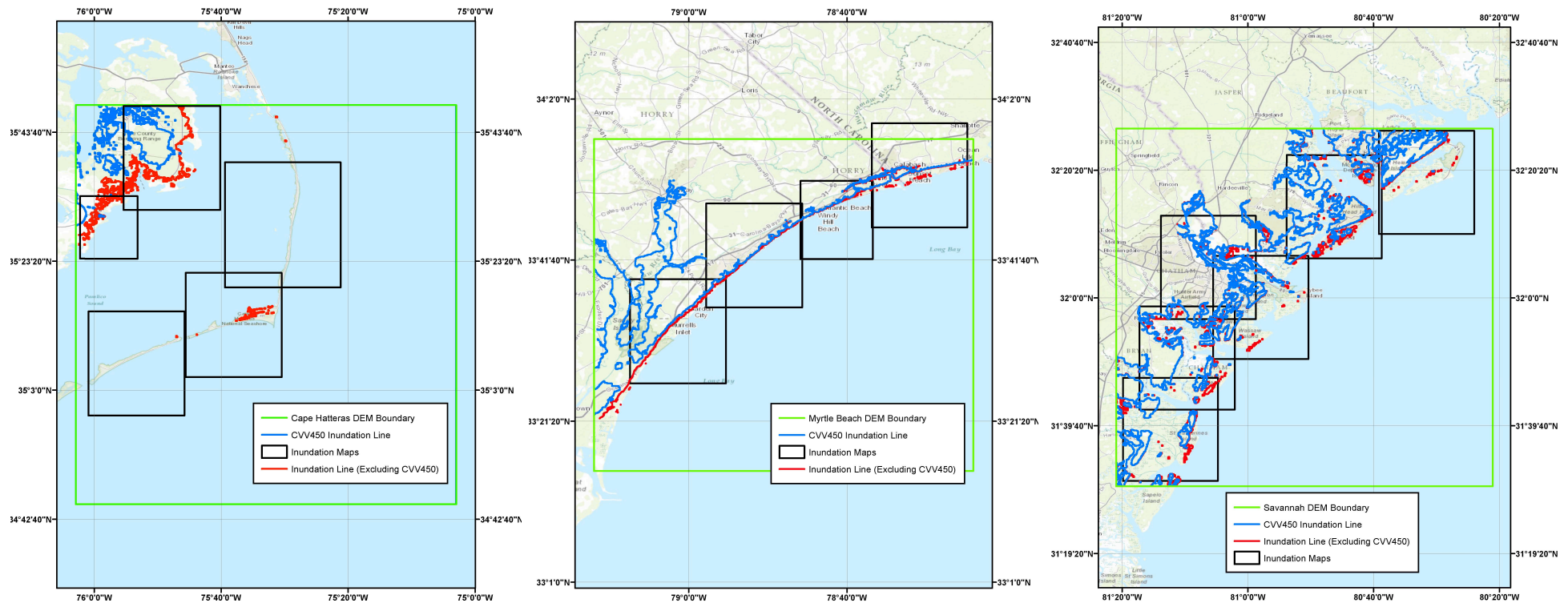


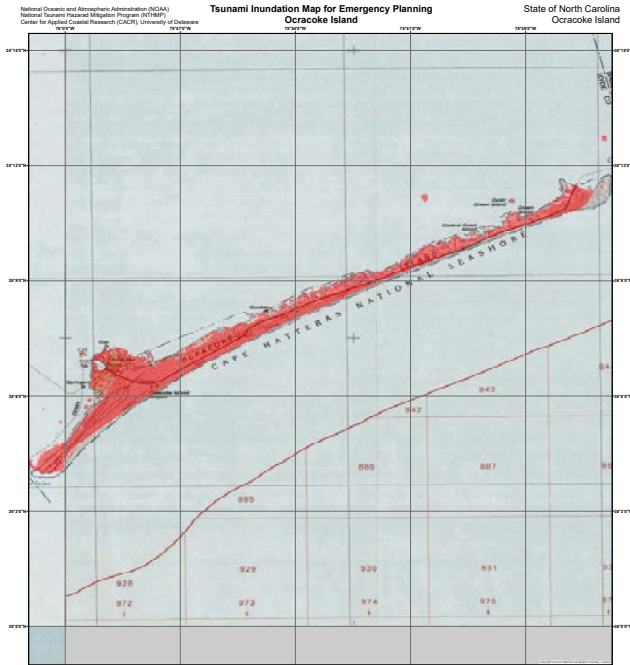
Basis for local mapping: NCEI Cape Hatteras, Myrtle Beach and Savannah DEMs





First generation mapping products: Envelope of maximum inundation





METHOD OF PREPARATION
The inundation mapping for Cape Hatteras NSGDC DEM was funded by the National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program (NTHMP). Here, a brief description is provided about the process the map was generated through, the comprehensive information about the mapping process, one can refer to the inundation report referenced below.
Four sources were modeled for this work, two coseismic, a volcanic cone collapse, and a Submarine Mass Failure Source (SMF). Coseismic sources include a large earthquake in the Puerto Rico Trench (PRT) in the Caribbean Subduction Zone (CSZ), and another earthquake located on Azores-Gibraltar plate boundary. Both of these sources are generated according to the standard Chalk method. Coseismic sources include a large earthquake in the Puerto Rico Trench (PRT) in the Caribbean Subduction Zone (CSZ), and another earthquake located on Azores-Gibraltar plate boundary. Both of these sources are generated according to the standard Chalk method. Coseismic sources include a large earthquake in the Puerto Rico Trench (PRT) in the Caribbean Subduction Zone (CSZ), and another earthquake located on Azores-Gibraltar plate boundary. Both of these sources are generated according to the standard Chalk method.

TSUNAMI INUNDATION MAP FOR EMERGENCY PLANNING

MAP EXPLANATION
Tsunami Inundation Line
Tsunami Inundated Area

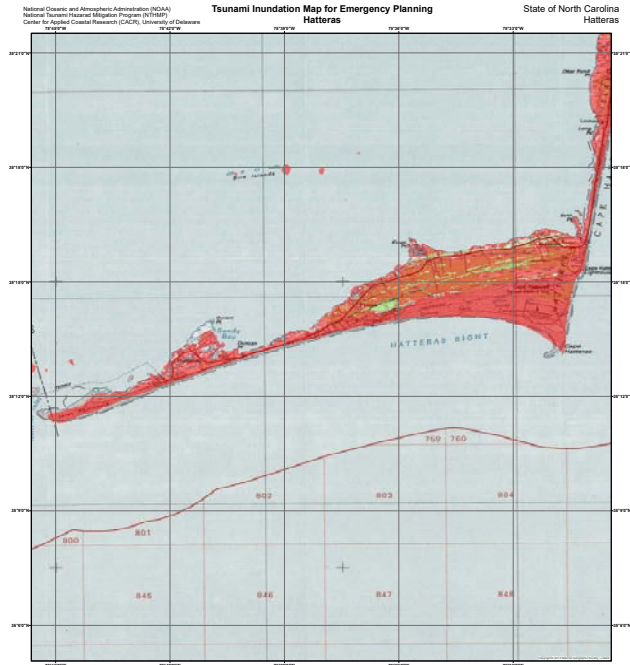
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TSUNAMI SOURCES MODELED FOR CAPE HATTERAS, NSGDC DEM

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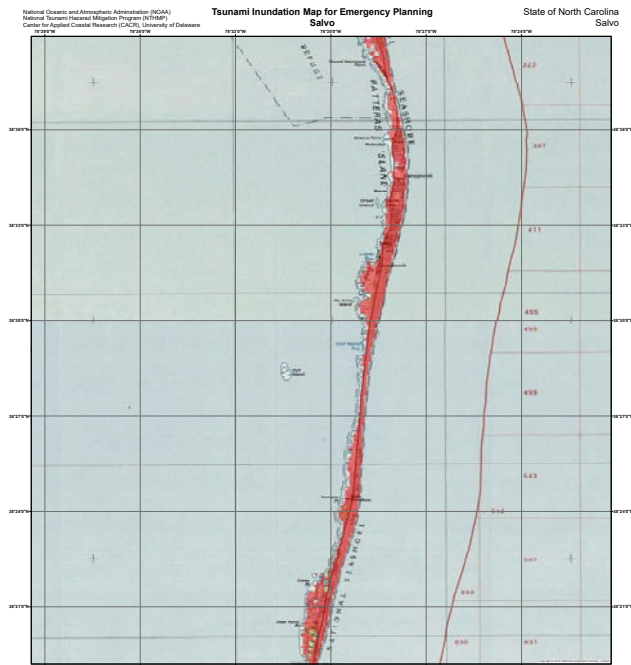
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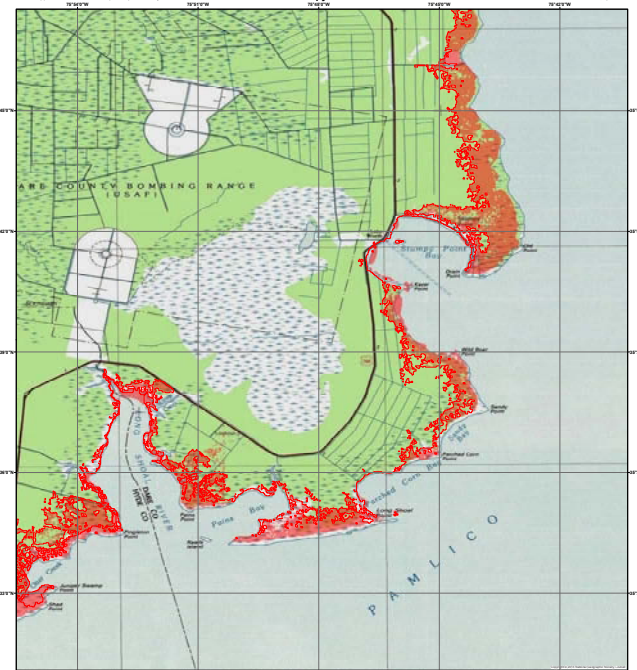


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Tsunami Inundation Map for Emergency Planning
Stumpy Point

State of North Carolina



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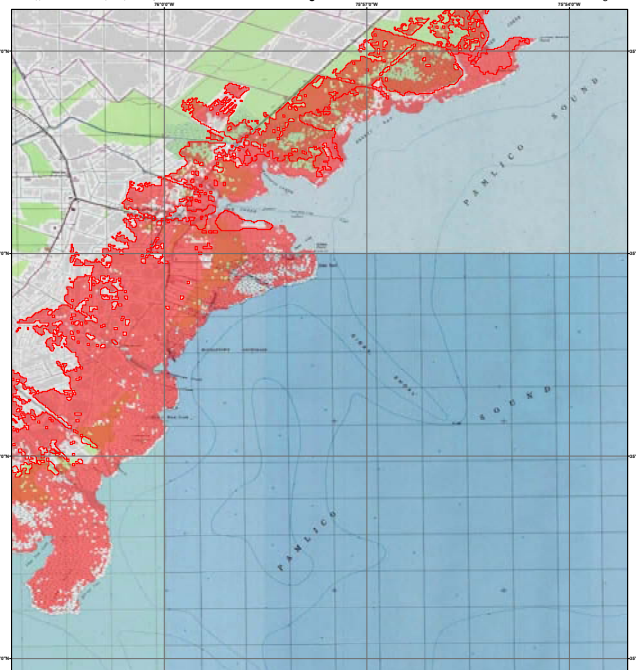
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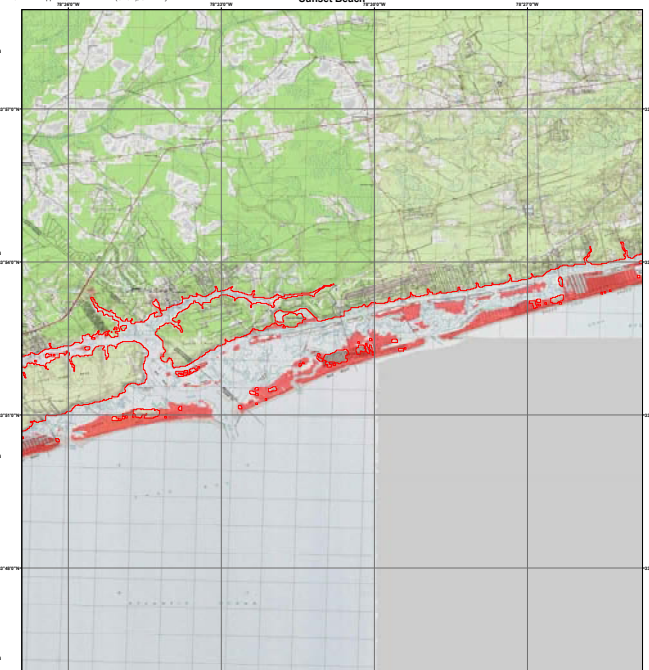
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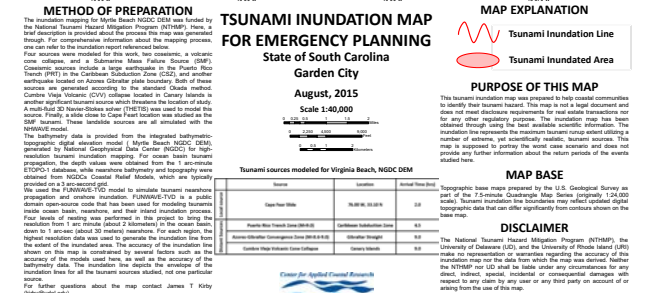
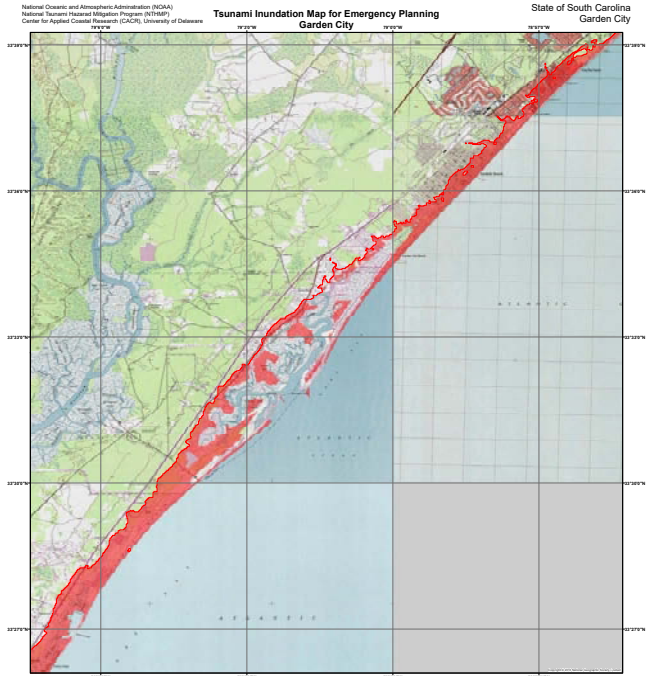
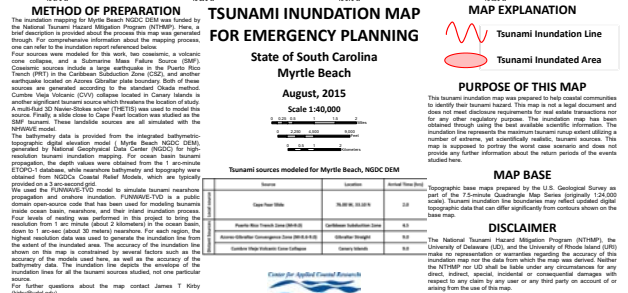
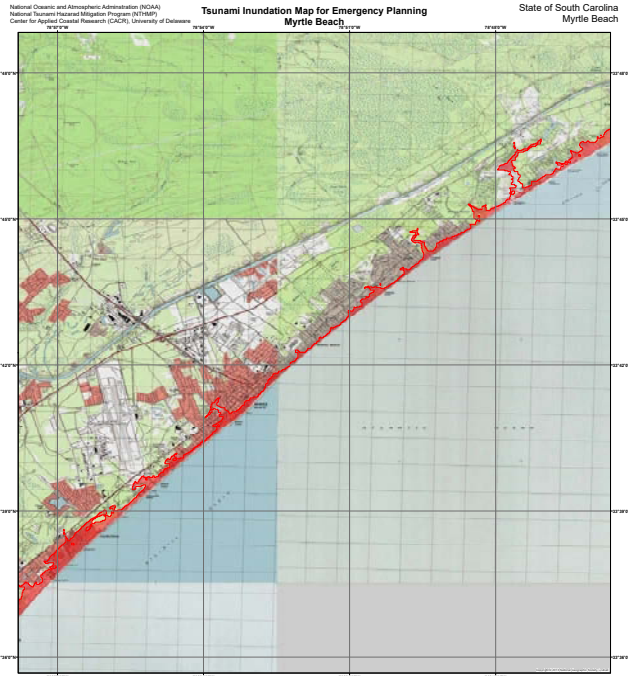
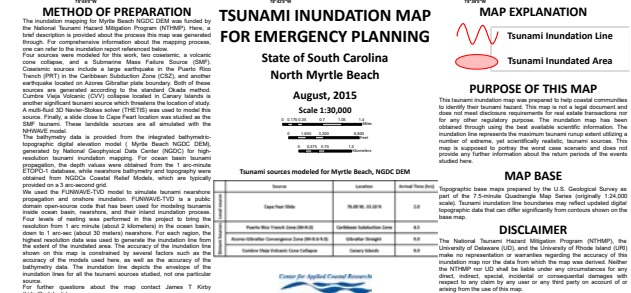
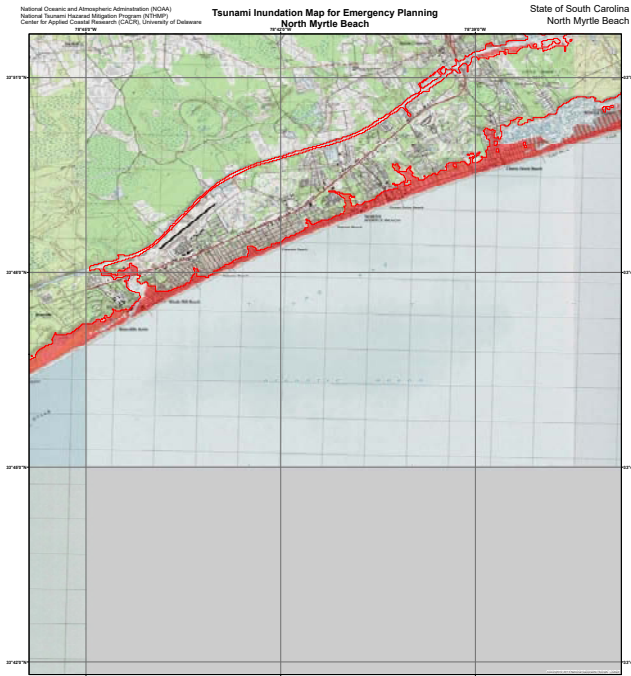
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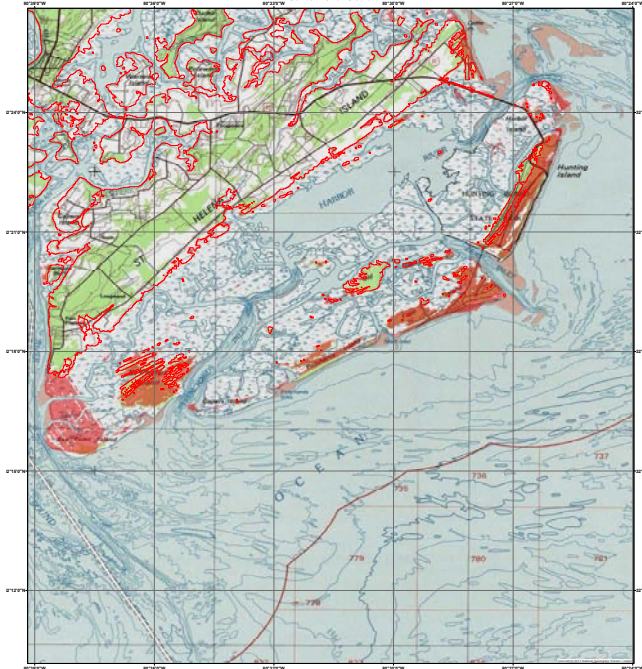
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State of South Carolina
Saint Elena Island

August, 2015

Scale 1:50,000

Tsunami sources modeled for Savannah, NGDC DEM

Source	Location	Return Time (hr)
Open Peer Title	160°W, 10.0°N	0.0
Florida Bay Trench Zone (FB-TZ)	Caribbean Subduction Zone	0.0
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TSUNAMI INUNDATION MAP FOR EMERGENCY PLANNING

State of South Carolina
Hilton Head Island

August, 2015

Scale 1:50,000

Tsunami sources modeled for Savannah, NGDC DEM

Source	Location	Return Time (hr)
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MAP EXPLANATION

Tsunami Inundation Line
Tsunami Inundated Area

PURPOSE OF THIS MAP

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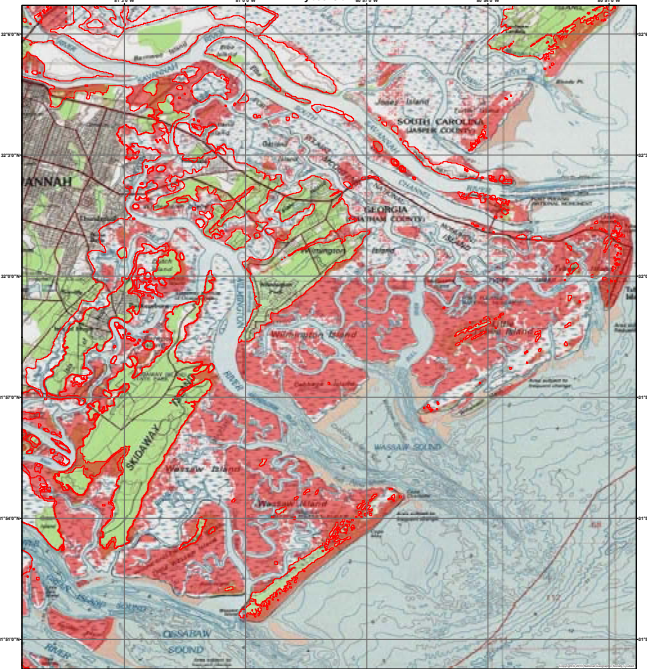
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National Tsunami Hazard Mitigation Program (NTHMP)
Center for Applied Coastal Research (CACR), University of Delaware
State of Georgia
Tybee Island



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TSUNAMI INUNDATION MAP FOR EMERGENCY PLANNING

State of Georgia
Tybee Island

August, 2015

Scale 1:50,000

Tsunami sources modeled for Virginia Beach, NGDC DEM

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Open Peer Title	160°W, 10.0°N	0.0
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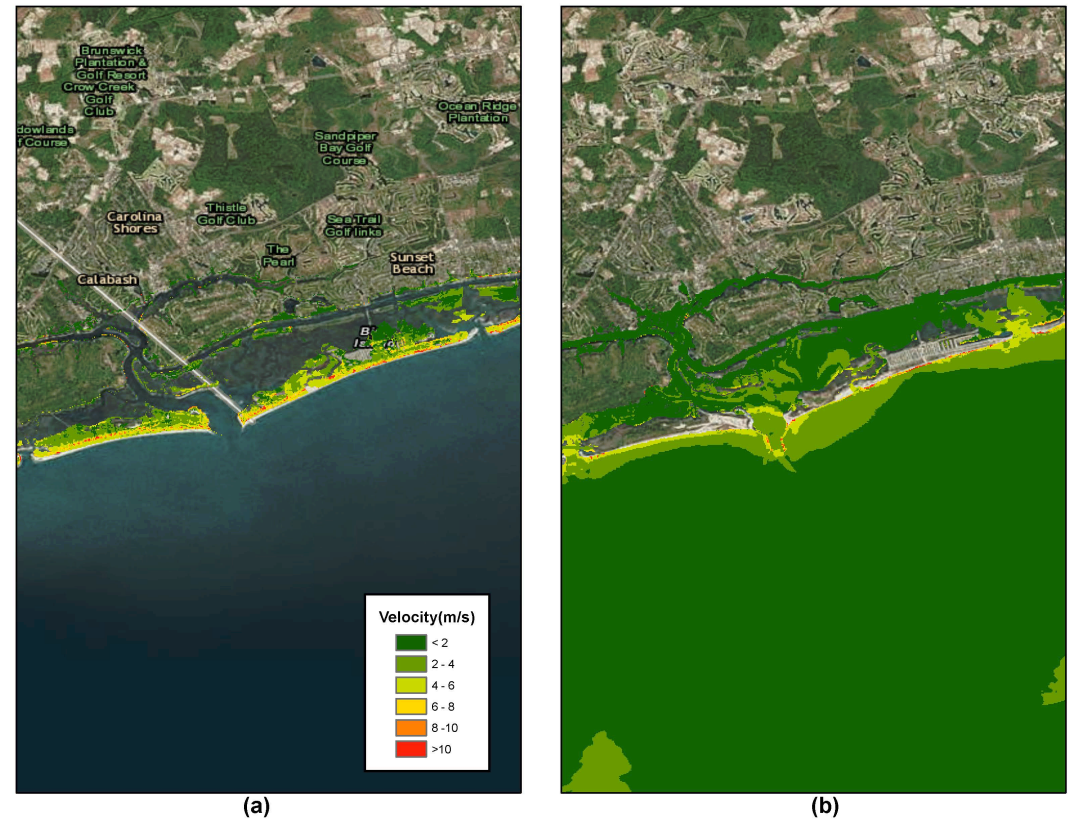
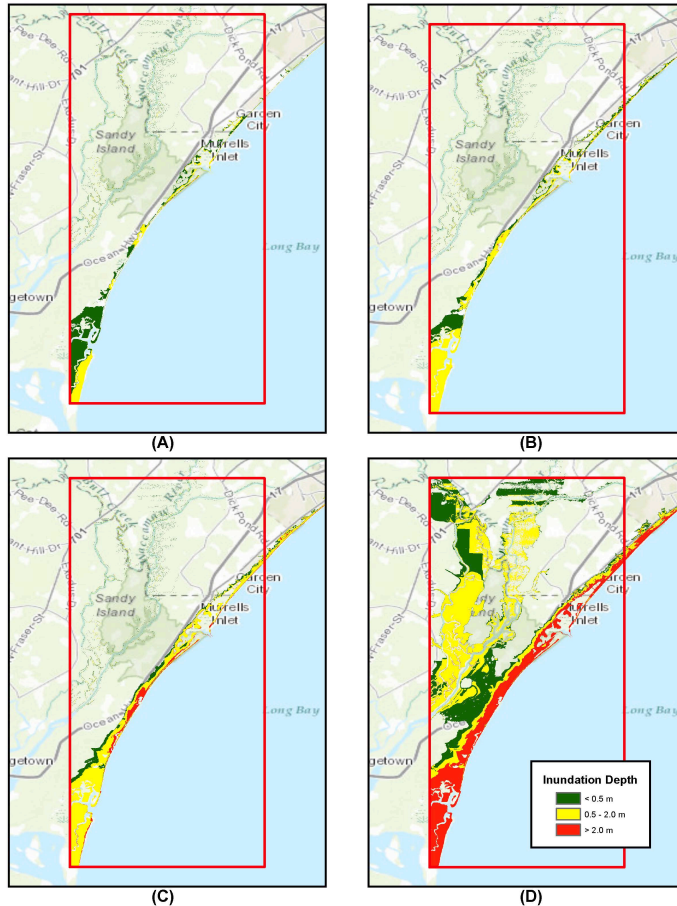
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Additional products



Maximum velocities – on land or marine

Inundation depths – composite or for individual events



Ongoing mapping efforts

- Inundation guidelines for unmapped areas
- Dynamic erosion and morphology change during events – increased hazard levels?
- Maritime hazard assessment – guidance for boat operators after event warnings

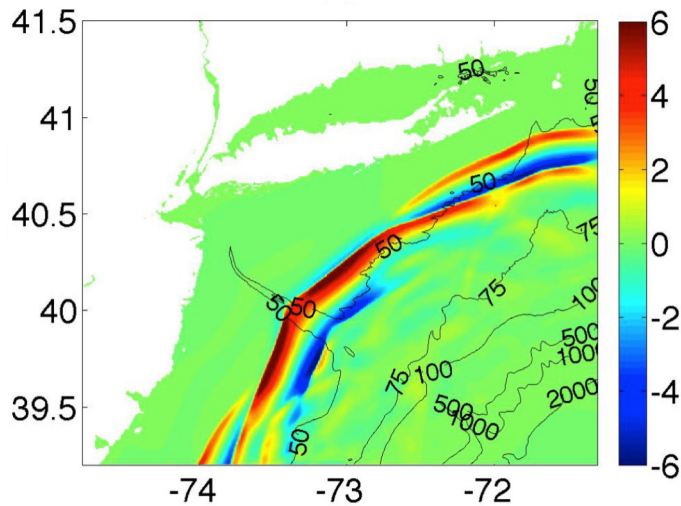


Guidance for unmapped areas

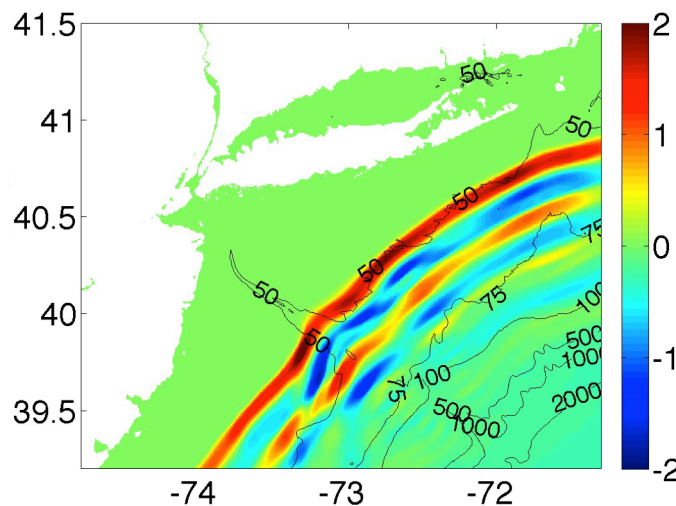
- Need for estimates of inundation extent and inundation depth, velocities, etc, for areas that have not been covered by high resolution modeling.
- Approach is to develop an algorithm based on comparison of modeled inundations to previous storm surge modeling (SLOSH results).
- Additional factors including coastline irregularity and inland distance need to be accounted for.
- Test algorithm using previously mapped areas not used in developing algorithm.
- Apply algorithm to unmapped areas.



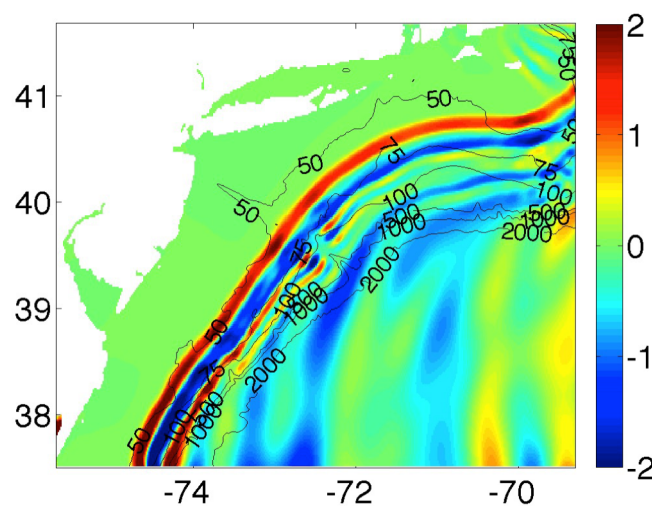
Comparing coastal impact CVV/SMF/PRT



SMF-1 (rigid slump) 1h18'



PRT (4h)

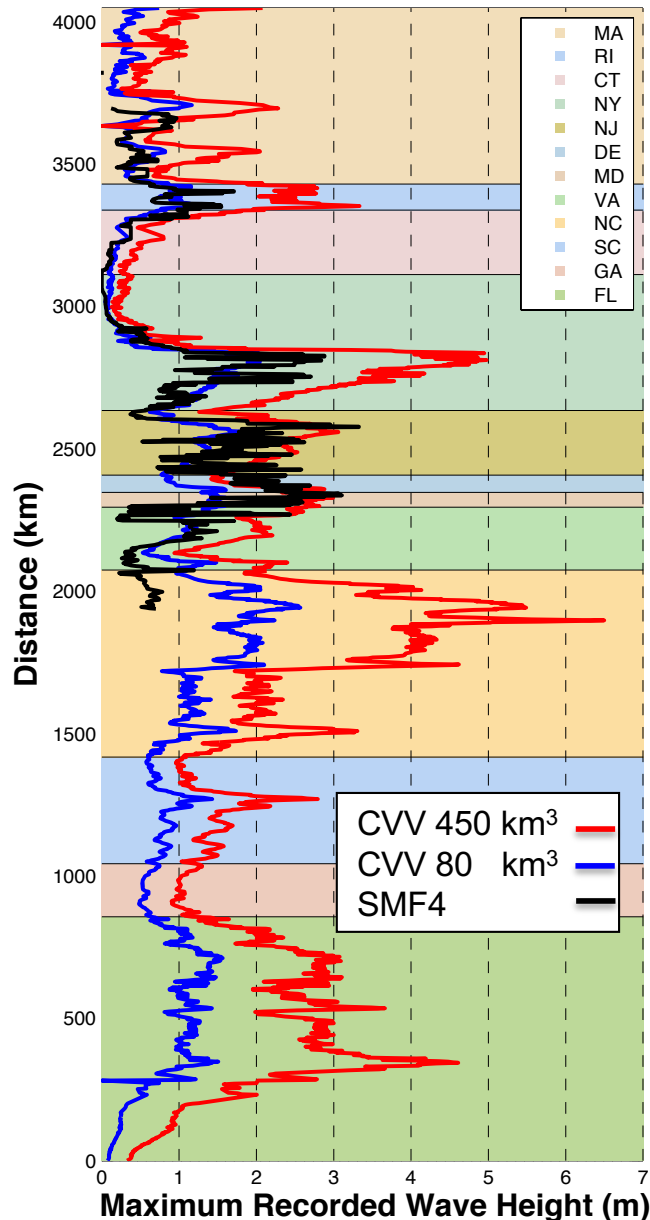


CVV (80 km³) (8h)

- Similar patterns of nearshore waves are observed for all sources.
- Coastal wave height distribution suggest tsunami coastal hazard is controlled by shelf bathymetry and shelf-break geometry, particularly in regions with wide shelves.



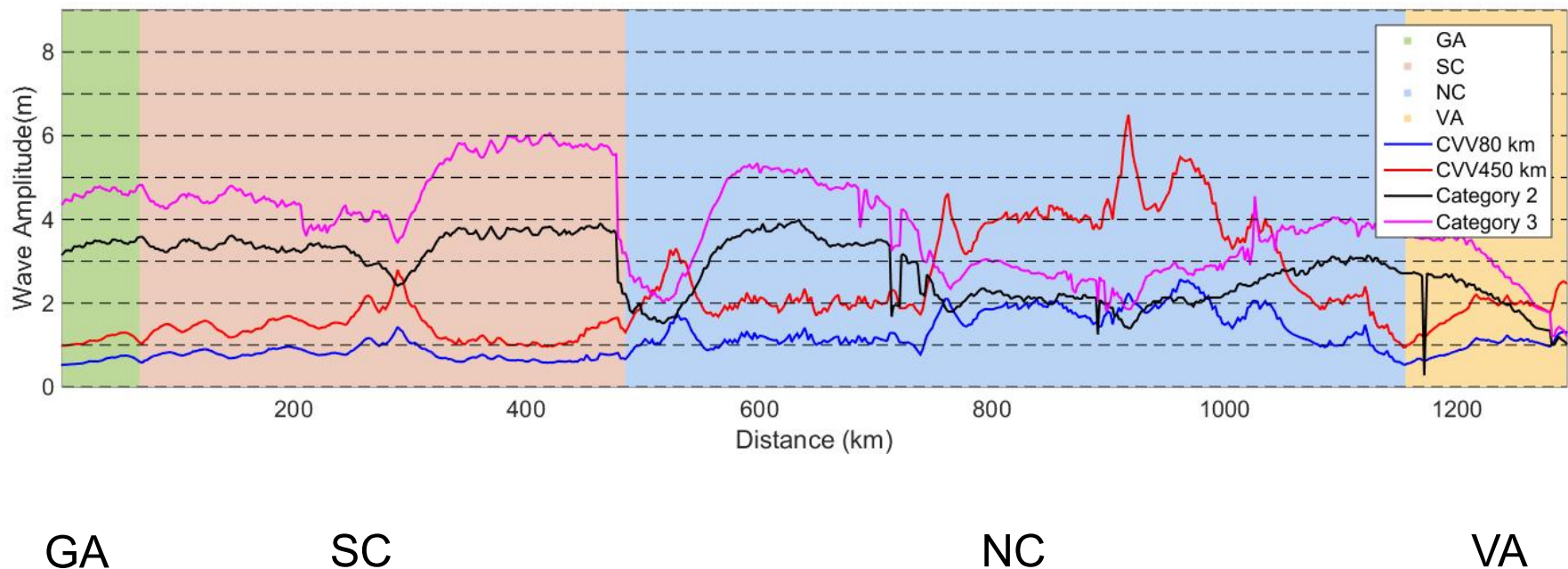
Guidance for unmodeled areas



- A similar wave height distribution pattern was observed for all of the sources simulated in this study.
- Tsunami wave height distributions along the east coast suggest that the tsunami propagation is determined by the bathymetry due to the existence of a wide shelf.



Storm surge elevations (cat 2, 3) vs CVV max crest elevations at 5m depth contour offshore of coastline

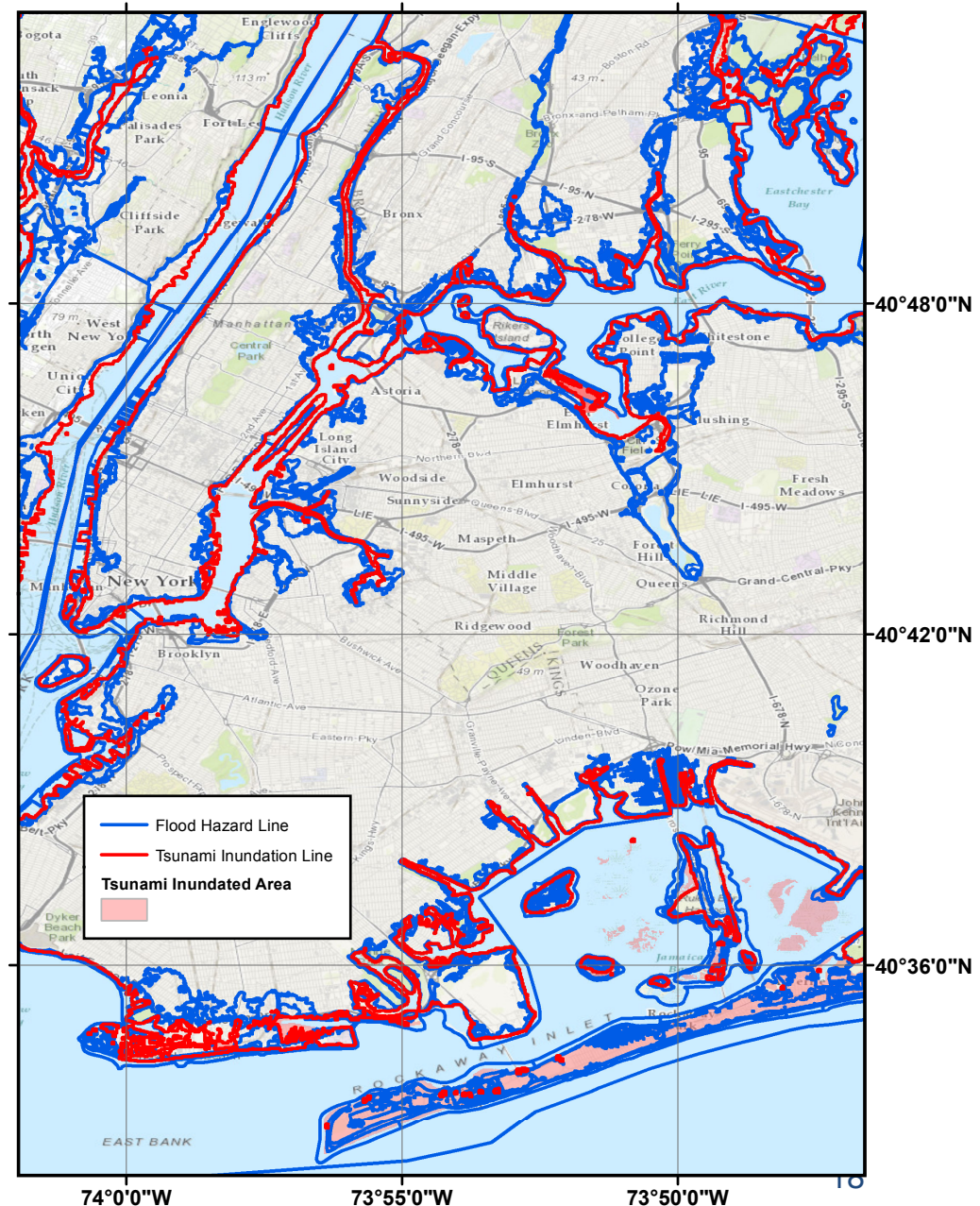




Guidance for unmodeled areas

Comparison of tsunami inundation line and Storm Surge hazard maps

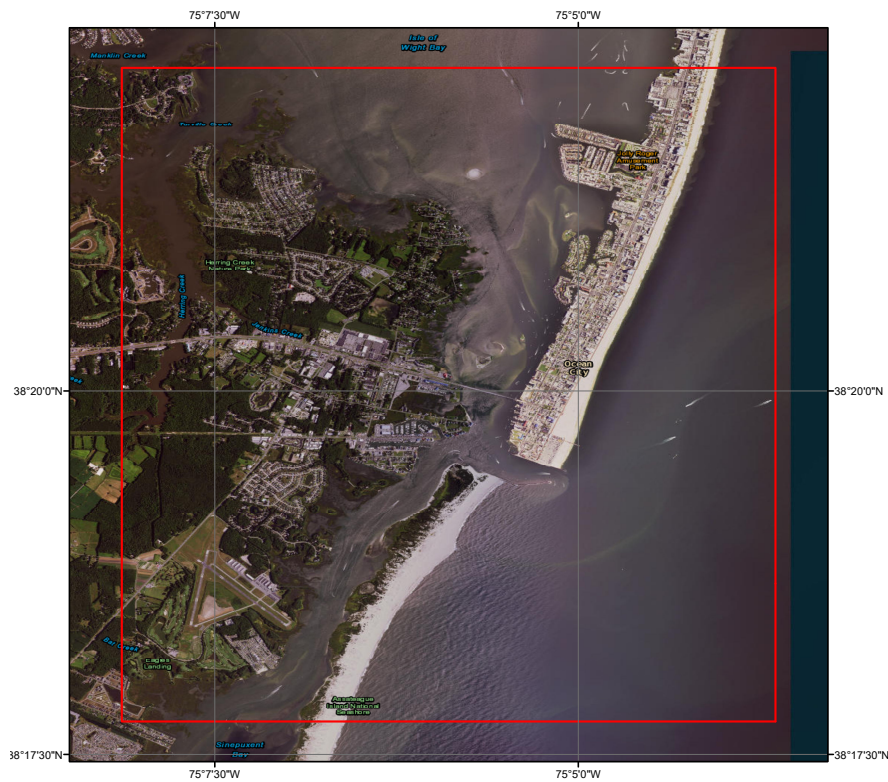
- Tsunami inundation is dominant in areas directly facing open water.
- In areas behind barrier islands or other protected areas, storm surge effects are dominant.





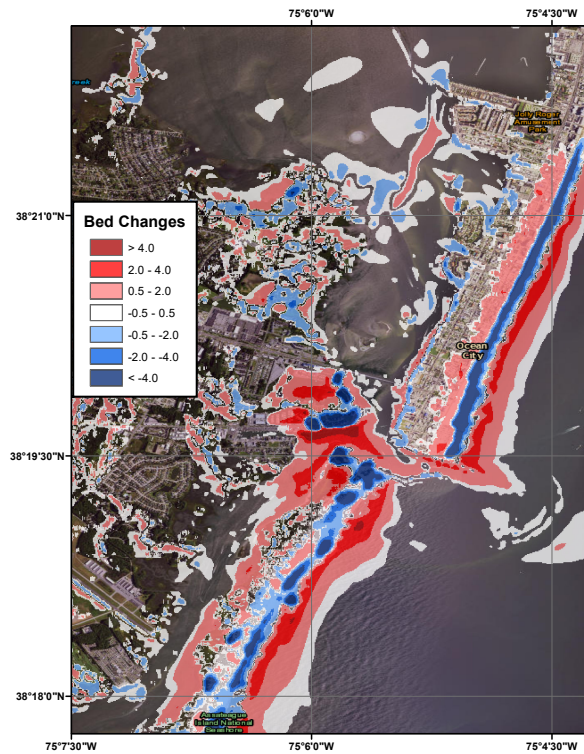
Effect of erosion on hazard levels

Hypothetical test case
based on Ocean City, MD

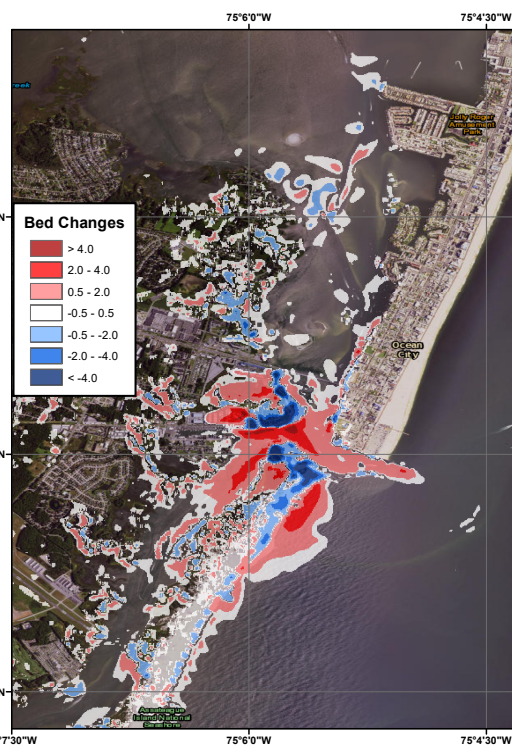




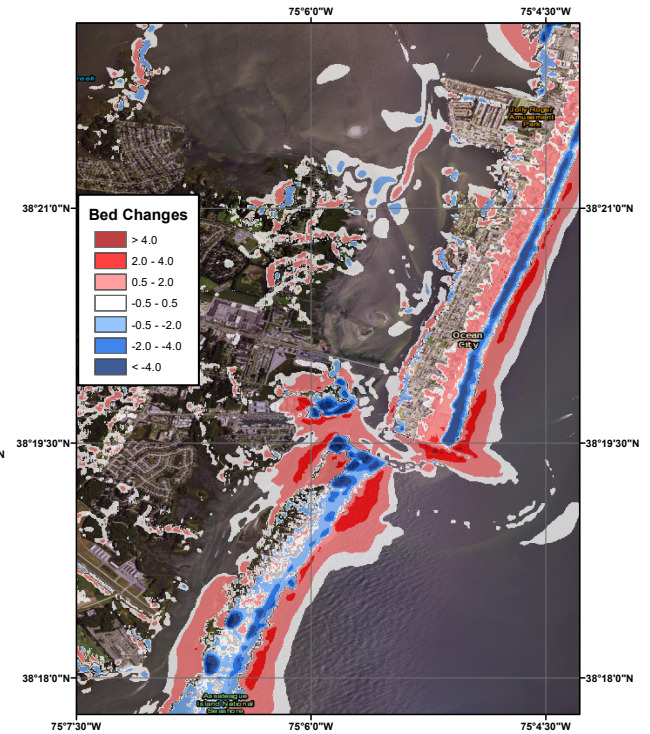
Morphology change for 3 sample events



Puerto Rico Trench



Lisbon (Azores)

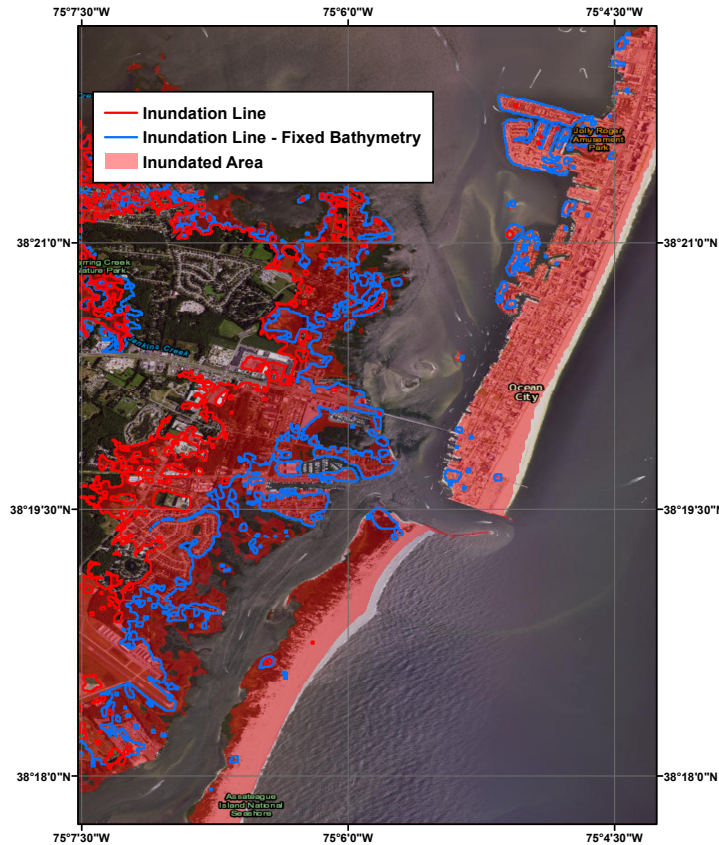


SMF event

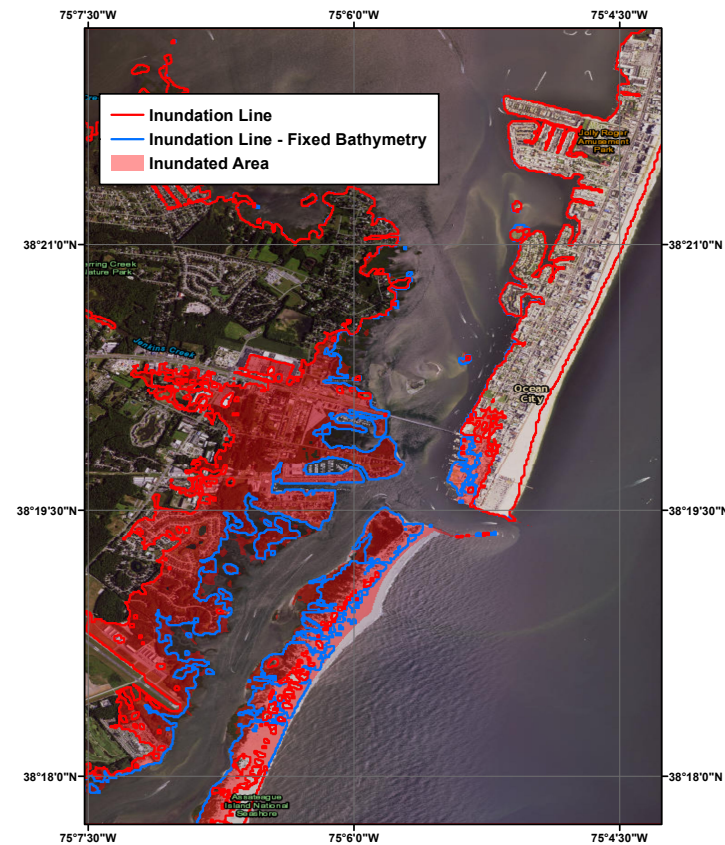


Increased inundation area

CVV



Lisbon



Comparison between inundated area in Ocean City inlet region for static and dynamic bathymetry conditions

Tsunami	Inundated Area (Static)	Inundated Area (Dynamic)	Inundation Area Increase (%)
Puerto Rico	7.03 km ³	10.61 km ³	51
Landslide	9.46 km ³	13.43 km ³	42
Volcanic cone collapse	10.94 km ³	19.25 km ³	76
Lisbon	1.28 km ³	7.02 km ³	547