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Ashley Chappell
NOAA Integrated Ocean and Coastal Mapping

Christy Fandel
Chief, Operations Branch, Hydrographic Surveys Division

Informational Webinar

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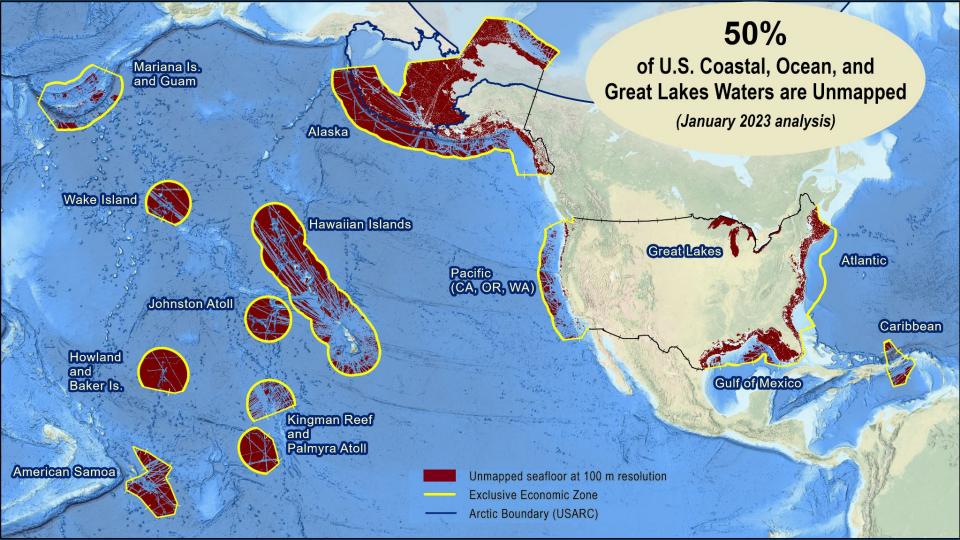
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Matching Fund in Brief

■ Leverage NOAA and non-Federal partner funds to acquire more ocean and coastal mapping data collected by qualified contract surveyors during FY 2025

- Increase hydrographic surveying and coastal mapping to support:
 - Safer navigation
 - Hazard mitigation for coastal resilience
 - Preservation of marine habitats and heritage

- Coastal and ocean science
- Deeper understanding of natural resources for sustainable ocean economies
- **■** MANY other activities

What's New for FY25?

- Updated strategy area of focus
 - #3 Expand coastal mapping to inform science-based decision-making capabilities
- 50% of U.S. waters are considered unmapped

NOAA ships Fairweather and Rainier, photo by NOAA



Areas of Focus

For this opportunity, proposals will be considered that are aligned with national priorities for climate and infrastructure, and the goals of the NOMEC, ACMS, and the Coast Survey Ocean Mapping Plan



- A. Map the United States Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ)
- B. Expand Alaska Coastal Data Collection to Deliver the Priority Geospatial Products Stakeholders Require
- C. Expand coastal mapping to inform science-based decision-making capabilities

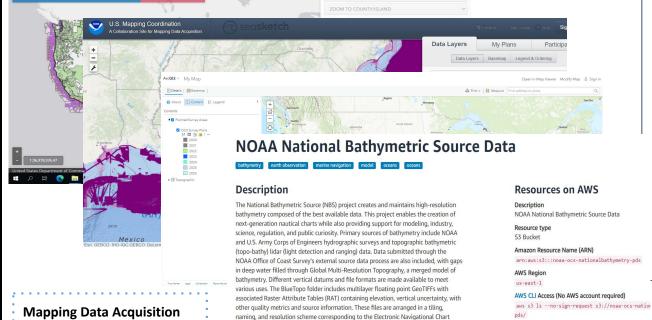
Tools to Use

United States Interagency Elevation Inventory

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Cost Estimation Sheet

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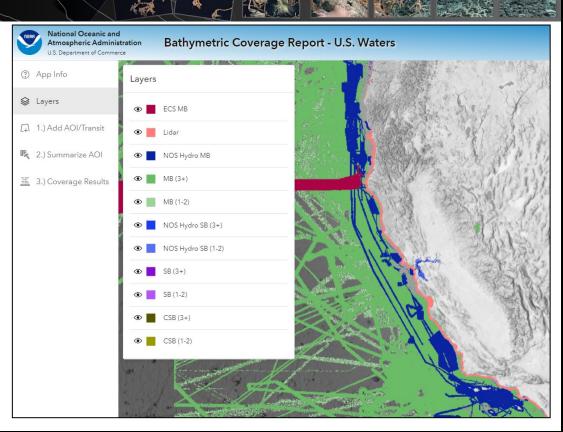
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Tools to Use: Bathy Coverage Report Tool

- Bathy Coverage Report Tool
- Use to assess your area or transit against bathy gaps
- Quantify your potential contributions in sq. nautical miles
- Download GeoTiff exports
- Export PDF report
- https://gis.charttools.noaa.gov/ba thy-coverage-report/



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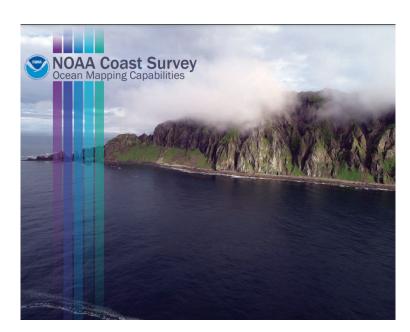
- Non-Federal entities. Examples:
 - State/local governments
 - ☐ Tribal entities
 - Universities/academia
 - □ Private sector
 - NGOs/philanthropic orgs
 - Coalitions of non-federal entities
- Qualifying proposals must demonstrate the ability to provide at least 30% matching funds, for transfer to NOAA by September 2024 via memorandum of agreement



Big Sur coastline, photo by NOAA

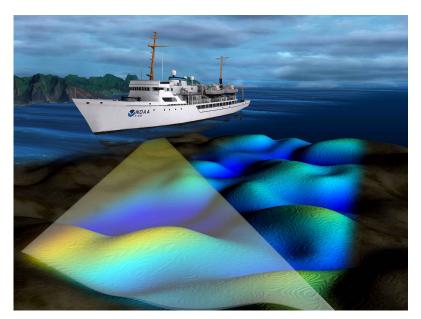
What NOAA Brings

- Hydrographic surveying and shoreline mapping expertise
- → 70% match
- □ 33 U.S.C. 883e authority to receive funds
- □ Value-added contract management and oversight
- Survey compliance
- ☐ Survey/control and correction/calibration services
- □ Data processing, quality assessment and review of all acquired hydrographic data
- □ Data management and stewardship from ping to hi-res products to archive at NOAA National Centers for Environmental Information



https://nauticalcharts.noaa.gov/about/docs/about/ ocean-mapping-capabilities.pdf

Products



Potential products include, but not limited to:

- ☐ Bathymetric data (multibeam, single beam, lidar)
- Backscatter
- Water column (depth dependent)
- ☐ Side scan sonar imagery
- ☐ Feature detection reports
- Sensor/data corrections and calibrations (e.g., conductivity, temperature and depth casts)
- Survey and control services, including the installation, operation, and removal of water level and Global Positioning System stations
- Data processing, quality assessment and review of all acquired hydrographic data
- □ Data management and stewardship through data archive at the National Centers for Environmental Information
- ☐ High-resolution topographic/bathymetric product generation

How Mapping is Executed

Geospatial Contract Vehicles

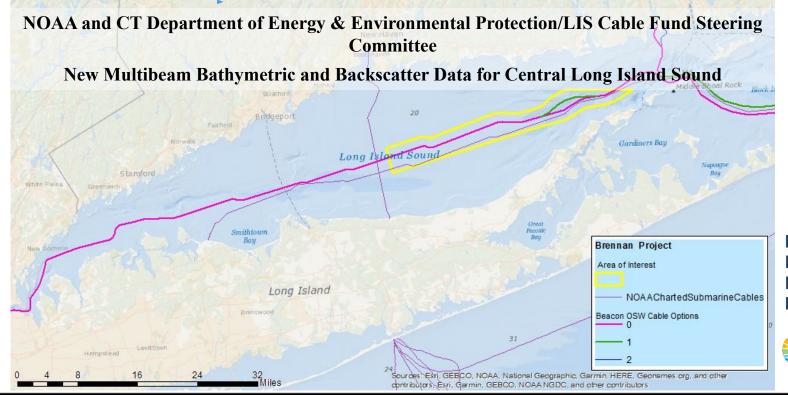
A number of federal agencies have geospatial contract vehicles that are available for use by other agencies and partners. A Memorandum of Agreement must be signed detailing the partnership but once that is accomplished, the partner benefits from the expertise these agencies have in managing and acquiring ocean and coastal mapping data with the private sector.

Hydrographic Surveying Services: NOAA's Coast Survey manages this contract vehicle for hydrographic data, including multibeam sounding data, side scan sonar, acoustic backscatter, lidar, processing of the data, quality control and resulting products.

Shoreline Mapping Support Services: NOAA's National Geodetic Survey manages this contract for remote sensing, digital shoreline mapping, surveying, and associated tasks. Services include planning; collecting remotely sensed data from ground, aircraft, and/or satellite based sensors; conducting ground geodetic surveys; determining tidal datums; and digital map compilation.



Year 1: Coast Survey and the National Geodetic Survey anticipate funding up to five survey projects at a 70% match of up to \$1 million per project. All projects are expected to have an FY2025 project start date and all non-Federal partner matching funds must be received by NOAA in September 2024. NOAA intends to complete each selected project within two (2) years.



DeAva K. Lambert **LISCF Project** Manager

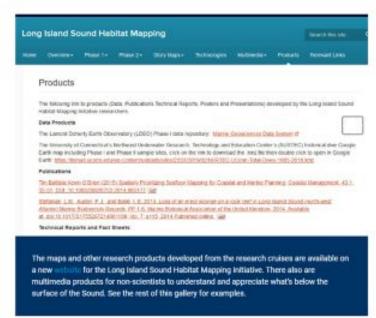


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The Long Island Sound Seafloor Habitat Mapping Initiative

View the photo gallery to find out about the work being done as part of the Seafloor Mapping Initiative.

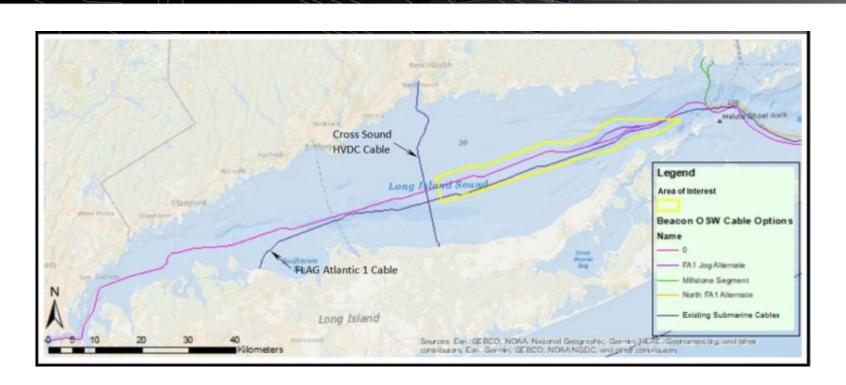


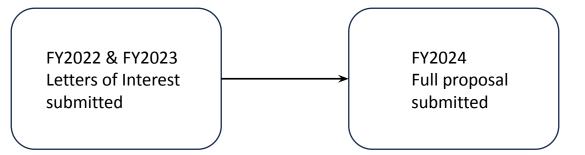
To learn more about the Long Island Sound Seafloor Habitat Mapping Initiative go to Habitat Mapping page on the the University of Connecticut website.











Long Island Sound Cable Fund FY2024 NOAA Brennan Matching Fund Proposal

Title: New Multibeam Bathymetric and Backscatter Data for Central Long Island Sound Executive Summary: The New York State Energy Research Development Authority (NYSERDA) is currently conducting an offshore wind (OSW) cable corridor constraints assessment (Assessment) to better understand the constraints of siting cables in New York State waters, including within Long Island Sound. The area of central Long Island Sound between Orient Point and Sound Beach, NY is included in the evaluation as a corridor for potential electric and distribution infrastructure. The last hydrographic surveys conducted by NOAA in this particular area occurred between 10 and 18 years ago. However, the Assessment requires current high-resolution data to help identify if existing geologic and benthic characteristics in this area may present constraints to installing electric transmission cables, as well as to support examinations of potential routing alternatives. The Steering Committee for the Long Island Sound Research and Restoration Fund, or Long Island Sound Cable Fund (LISCF), proposes that NOAA conduct a new hydrographic survey within this area to provide full coverage highresolution bathymetry and backscatter data, improving on the benthic data available for Long Island Sound to support future decision-making and policy development for marine spatial planning, consistent with NOAA missions and priorities for hydrographic surveys.

Project Partners - LISCF Steering Committee:

Project Lead: DeAva Lambert, LISCF Project Manager, Lead Environmental Analyst, Land & Water Resources Division (LWRD) CT Department of Energy and Environmental Protection (CT DEEP)

The role of the Steering Committee members is to review and approve the proposal elements and approve distribution of funds for the proposal.

Committee Chair: Mark Tedesco, Director, Long Island Sound Office - U.S. EPA Committee Members:

LWRD CT DEEP-

Brian Thompson, Director

Kevin O'Brien, Supervising Environmental Analyst, Technical Resources Section NY State Department of Environmental Conservation, Division of Marine Resources:

Dawn McReynolds, Assistant Director

Cassandra Bauer, Estuary Management Unit Leader

Victoria O'Neill, Long Island Sound Study Habitat Restoration and Stewardship

NY Department of State, Office of Planning, Development & Community Infrastructure: Jeff Herter, Coastal Resources Specialist, Geographic Information Gateway Project

CT Sea Grant - Sylvain DeGuise, Director NY Sea Grant - Rebecca Shuford, Director

Proposed Survey Area:

Two options for NOAA to acquire full coverage high-resolution bathymetry and backscatter data within the Central LIS area of interest are proposed. These survey options are based on their location relative to existing cables and potential cable route options for OSW projects for New York. Rhode Island, and Massachusetts, including those under consideration for the Beacon OSW Project being evaluated in the NYSERDA Assessment, occurring between the LISCF Phase I and II Mapping Areas, which were surveyed in 2014 and 2017, respectively Figure 4). These options have been delineated based on the LISCF Steering Committee's ability to provide \$300,000 (30% of \$1,000,000) for the proposed acoustic data acquisition and applying the FY24 Brennan Matching Fund Mapping Data Acquisition Cost Estimation for Ocean and Coastal Acoustic Data Acquisition, which presents a low to high range cost estimation based on depths above and below 40 m (Section 3). Strategic Relevance:

Full coverage high-resolution hydrographic mapping of the proposed survey area aligns with the Coast Survey Ocean Mapping Plan to map the full extent of waters subject to U.S. jurisdiction to modern standards and meets the Coast Survey goal to provide more precise depths with the delivery of corresponding environmental information to support the most informed decision-making. The proposed mapping also aligns with the goal to increase hydrographic surveying and coastal mapping to support coastal and ocean science to gain deeper understanding of natural resources for sustainable ocean economies while preserving marine habitats and heritage sites. Furthermore, this proposal aligns with the National Strategy for Mapping, Exploring, and Characterizing the U.S. Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) objective to promote the efficient, effective, and comprehensive mapping of the United States EEZ and would contribute to the Ocean and Coastal Mapping (OCM) milestone to design, execute, and track multiyear regional mapping OCM campaign plans.

This proposal is also consistent with national priorities on climate and infrastructure, including the Biden Administration's announced goal of developing 30 gigawatts of offshore wind resources by 2030. Both New York and Connecticut have contracted for significant quantities of offshore wind and development, for which an approved cable corridor is a critical step in effective and safely landfalling the desired resources. Properly planned, high-voltage, direct current (HVDC) cables placed in close proximity to each other within a single corridor can substantially reduce benthic impacts. Therefore, a full and thorough survey is essential for selecting the most appropriate location.

Given that the data is needed to support the NYSERDA OSW Cable Corridor Constraints Assessment currently underway and for environmental studies required for the Beacon Wind Project, the degree of flexibility on timing of the survey effort is limited to completing the proposed work in FY2024.

2. Justification

The Long Island Sound Research and Restoration Fund is the result of a six-million-dollar settlement agreement between Connecticut and New York with three utility companies in response to multiple occurrences of non-compliance involving electric transmission cables crossing the Sound. To manage the research and restoration efforts, the LISCF Steering Committee was formed, consisting of representatives from Connecticut DEEP, US EPA Regions 1 & 2 through the Long Island Sound Study, the New York Department of Environmental Conservation and Department of State, and both Connecticut and New York Sea Grant offices. The goal of LISCF emphasizes benthic mapping as a priority need for improved scientific understanding of potential energy infrastructure effects and mitigation of their impacts under the LIS Seafloor Habitat Mapping Initiative in order to promote improved management decisions and support new projects for the enhancement of Long Island Sound (LIS).

The LIS Seafloor Habitat Mapping Initiative has utilized collaborative partners, including the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration Biogeography Branch and Office of Coast Survey and two regional academic consortiums led by the University of Connecticut and Columbia University's Lamont Doherty Earth Observatory, to comprehensively map the topography and surficial geology of the seafloor in LIS to help increase the understanding of seafloor habitat. The Initiative has embarked on multiple mapping efforts to collect a variety of data including acoustic (bathymetry and backscatter), sediment grain size and environments. physical characteristics (bottom stress, temperature, salinity) and ecological (infaunal and epifaunal) characteristics. To date, benthic mapping of two high priority areas within LIS (Phases I & II) has been completed, and mapping of a third area is underway (Phase III: Figure 1). The Initiative has also been able to leverage funds from LISCF with funding from the Long Island Sound Study National Estuary Program to pursue benthic mapping of an additional area in the central LIS basin (Phase IV: Figure 1). The LISCF Steering Committee seeks to further leverage the remaining funds with other funding opportunities in order to further expand benthic mapping in areas of LIS that possess ecological value, multiple use conflicts, and the potential for further development, including transmission cable infrastructure for offshore wind projects being developed adjacent to LIS, for which full coverage surveys with current high-resolution multibeam data are not available.

NOAA last surveyed the areas of central Long Island Sound between 2004 and 2013 (Figure 2). Since that time, multibeam echosounder technology has advanced significantly allowing for improved high-resolution acoustic data collection, especially for acoustic intensity (backscatter). Updated full coverage, bathymetry and backscatter data collected using advanced high-resolution multibeam sonar systems would support future seafloor habitat studies, decision-making, and policy development by improving the benthic data available for this area. which is included in an evaluation for potential electric and distribution infrastructure corridors under the NYSERDA OSW Cable Corridor Constraints Assessment (Figure 3). Up-to-date high-resolution bathymetry and backscatter data for this area would help identify benthic characteristics potentially affecting the feasibility of installing electric transmission cables, as well as support examinations of possible alternative routing options. The data would also be integral for supporting future mapping of the surficial geology and ecology of the seafloor in this region of LIS.

The project budget for the proposed survey is \$1,000.000 with 30% (\$300,000) funded by LISCF. This amount would be transferrable in full to NOAA by September 2023. The Proposed Survey Area Options shown in Figure 4 represent the largest "Low Cost"

area (Option 1) and the largest "High Cost" area (Option 2) presented in Table 1 that \$1,000,000 might sufficiently cover based on the 40 m depth threshold.

The FY24 Brennan Matching Fund Mapping Data Acquisition Cost Estimation for Ocean and Coastal Acoustic Data Acquisition - Multibeam Echosounder rough order of magnitude (ROM) costs are reported as:

All regions < 40m \$15K - \$25K/Square Nautical Miles (SNM)

All regions > 40m \$10K - \$20K/SNM



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Deadlines and Dates

To: iwgocm.staff@noaa.gov

- October 10th, 2023: Due date for proposals, statements of interest regarding potential future proposals, and all supporting GIS files
- November 15, 2023: NOAA issues its decisions on proposals
- □ December 2023 January 2024: NOAA works with selected partners to develop memoranda of agreement to facilitate the transfer of funds from the non-Federal partner to NOAA
- March 2024: NOAA finalizes the memoranda of agreement with partners
- June-September 2024: Non-Federal partners transfer matching funds to NOAA; funds must be available to NOAA for contracting in October 2024
- ☐ January-September 2025: NOAA issues task orders to its survey contractors for NOAA/partner FY24 projects



Submission Requirements

Six (6) total pages (plus optional GIS files of project areas) and the following **three** components:

- A project title; executive summary (3-5 sentences); and the names, affiliations, and roles of the project partners and any co-investigators, as well as the project lead that will serve as primary contact (1 page maximum).
- A justification and statement of need; description and graphics of the proposed survey area, including relevance to the strategic areas of focus noted in Section III and degree of flexibility on timing of survey effort (4 pages maximum).
- A project budget that lists the source(s) and amount(s) of funding that the partner would provide as its match to NOAA. Budget must confirm that partner funds can be transferred to NOAA by September 2023 (1 page maximum).

Proposals will be evaluated by the Brennan Matching Fund Program Management Team.

E.g., does the proposal have:

- ☐ Intrinsic IOCM value and/or relevance to NOAA missions and priorities?
- ☐ Clear need, anticipated outcomes, public benefit?
- POC and partners identified? Funding sources identified?
- □ Realistic proposed budget?
- ☐ Feasibility, flexibility?



We want to hear from you!

Interested, but the timing doesn't work? You'd consider submitting a proposal in future?

One page letter of interest:
Tell us what your timing hurdles are, where/what you are interested in, potential partners if more time, etc.

If you have outstanding questions, you can also join us for office hours on September 14th by emailing iwgocm.staff@noaa.gov

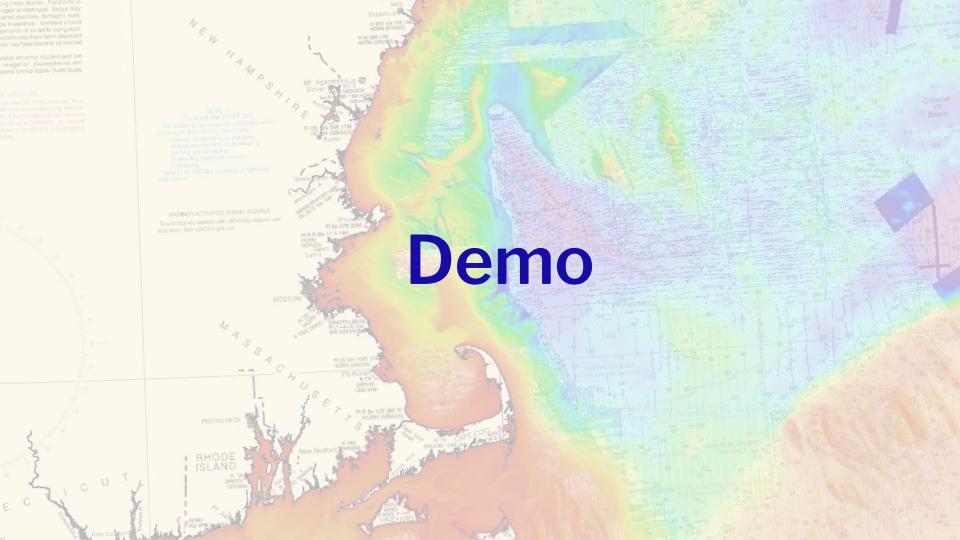




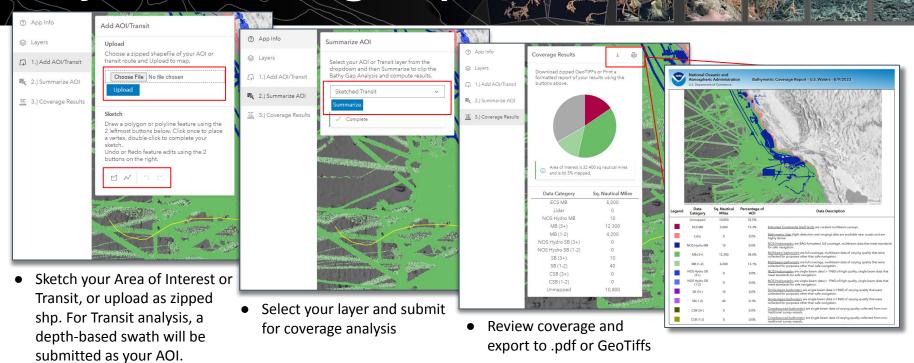
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