## Coastal Ocean Observing Systems in the Southeast

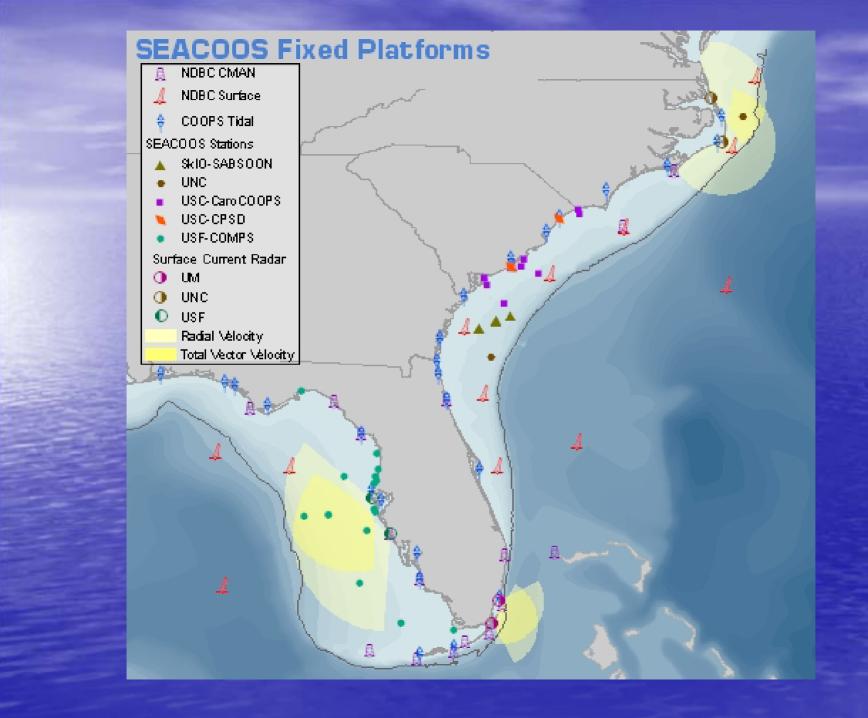
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#### SE Observing Systems in Context

- SE Coastal Ocean Observations Regional Association
  - Framework for collaboration between RCOOS and users within SE region
  - Focused on governance, priority setting, and implementation
- SouthEast Atlantic Coastal Ocean Observing System
  - Significantly increase the quantity & quality of envtl.
     information in the SE coastal ocean.
  - Facilitate its use in a wide range of societal, scientific, and educational applications.
- Carolinas Coastal Ocean Observing & Prediction System
  - Subregional COOS within SEACOOS/SECOORA region

# Southeast Atlantic Coastal Ocean Observing System (SEA-COOS)

- Observing Subsystem
  - Multiple sources employing a variety of technologies (e.g. CODAR, ADCPs)
  - Merged with subregional COOS and preexisting infrastructure (e.g. SABSOON, NDBC, NWLON)
- Modeling and Products Subsystem
  - Charlton's Presentation (coming soon)
- Data Management Subsystem
  - Metadata, dissemination



#### **SEACOOS Members (May 2004)**

Founding Members	Affiliates	Pending Affiliates
University of South Carolina	Beaufort TACTS/NSWC/USN	AOML/NOAA
Skidaway Inst of Oceanography	CO-OPS/NOS/NOAA	Beaufort, NC Marine Lab/NOAA
University of North Carolina	FKNMS/NOAA	Field Research Facility/USACE
University of South Florida	MMAB/EC/NCEP/NWS/NOAA	CLION/DOD
University of Miami	Miami WFO/NWS/NOAA	CSC/NOAA
NCSU (Sea Grant)	NCDDC/NOAA	Caro-COOPS
University of Georgia (Sea Grant)	NDBC/NOAA	Florida Marine Research Institute
University of Florida (Sea Grant)	SeaKeys/FIO	Florida Spaceport
South Carolina Sea Grant	Southeast Fisheries Science Center/NMFS/NOAA	GRNMS/NOAA
SCDNR		Jacksonville WFO/NWS/NOAA
		NAMOC/USN
		SAFMC
		SOFMC
		CORMP NRL/USN

#### **SEACOOS Year 3 Goals**

- Coastal ocean response to weather observation/modeling of water level, currents, temperature, salinity, winds, and heat and precipitation flux from the atmosphere (ongoing)
- 2) Surface wave fields (ongoing)
- 3) Fisheries Management promoting information merger and sharing in support of those groups focused on measurement and management of fisheries stocks (e.g. circulation, hydrographic information)
- 4) <u>Biogeochemical indicators</u> Assembly of information on primary producers, including existing satellite remote sensing capabilities and existing in-situ bio-optics measurement programs.
- 5) <u>GIS coastal databases</u> Inventory and assemble efforts to support storm surge, surface wave, fisheries and bio-optics programs.

# The Carolinas Coastal Ocean Observing and Prediction System (Caro-COOPS)

A partnership among the University of South Carolina, North Carolina State University, & the University of North Carolina-Wilmington





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#### CARO-COOPS

A user-driven system of integrated coastal & ocean observations and information products:

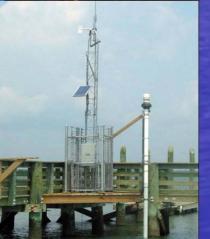
- An array of instrumented moorings/stations
- A comprehensive data management system
- A suite of integrated models of coastal and ocean processes
- A system for product delivery to users



### Instrumentation for Near Real-Time Observations...

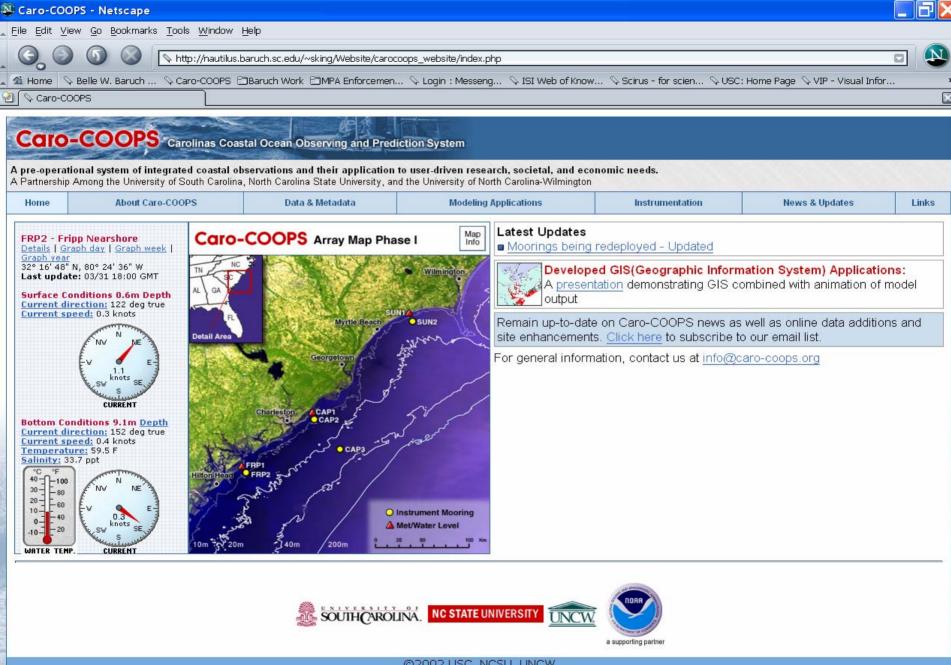
#### Instrumented moorings (5)

Current velocity & direction, wave height & direction, temperature, salinity, pressure, chlorophyll



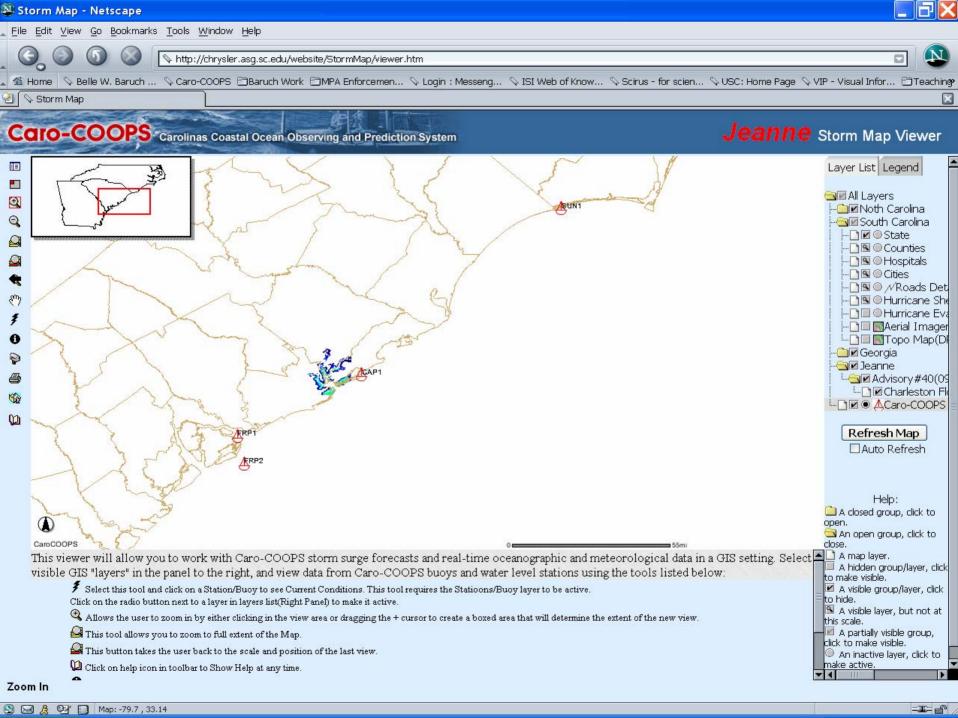
Water level/meteorological stations (3)
Supplement NOAA NWLON, NDBC,
& C-MAN stations





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#### Partnerships:

NOAA CSC

USC

NCSU

UNC at Wilmington

SCONR

National Water Level Observation Network National Data Buoy Center

With developing partnerships involving:

North Inlet-Winyah Bay NERR

ACE Basin NERR

Mote Marine Laboratory



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