

Data Standards for Response and Restoration Marine Debris Perspective

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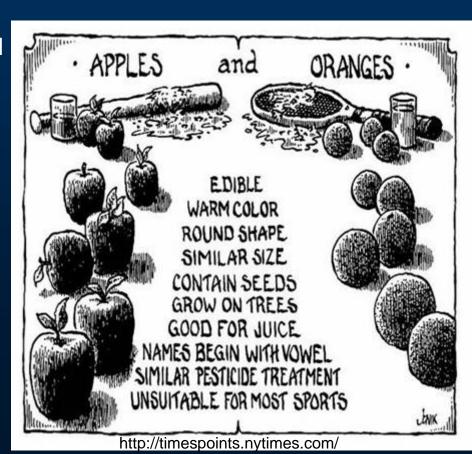
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The Apples and the Oranges...

- Emergency response data and marine debris monitoring, like apples to oranges
- Objective To develop a data standard that can adapt to a variety of scientific field collected data
 - Limited resources
 - Credible datasets
 - Need to maximize ROI
 - Restoration for the impacted area
- Can we multi-survey?
 - It has been done already…





THE RESIDE

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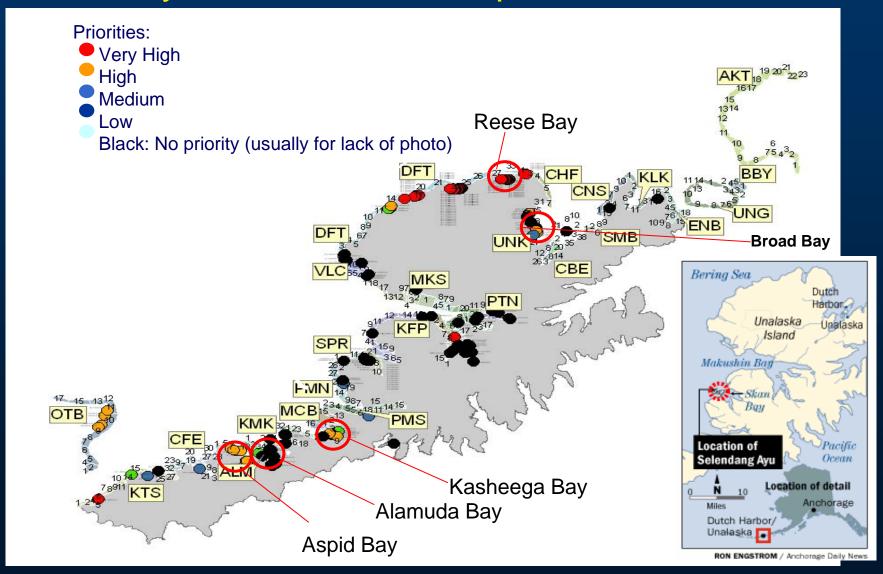
Unalaska SCAT and MD Survey, 2005

December, 2004, M/V Selendang Ayu grounded by Unalaska Island



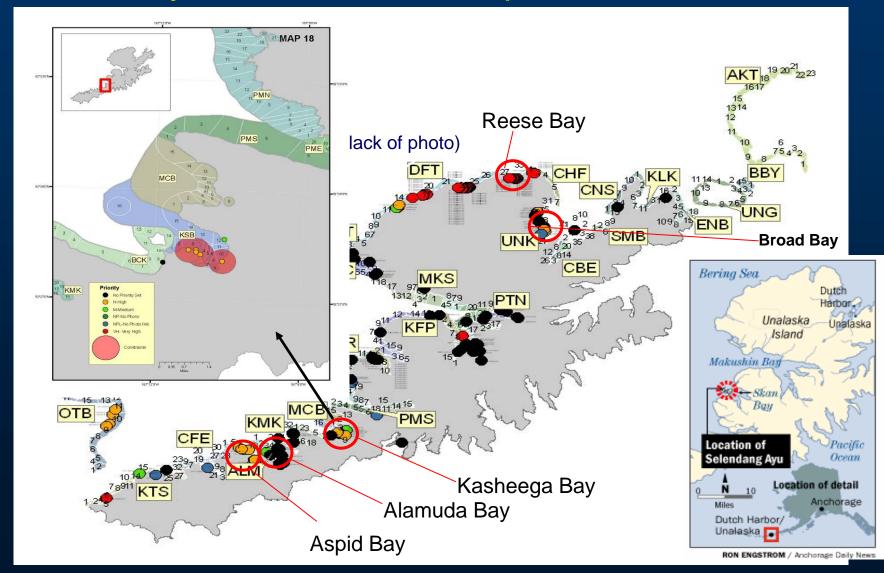


MD Survey to Database to Maps





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MD Cleanup







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Recycling and Disposal





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Total Clean-up: In 4 days over 6 MT of debris were removed from the Island and recycled gear included a supersack full of hard floats, 25 soft floats, some nets and lines

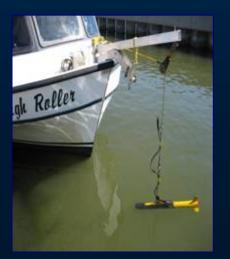


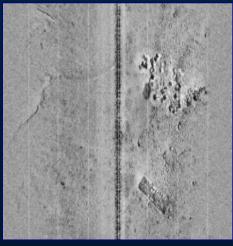


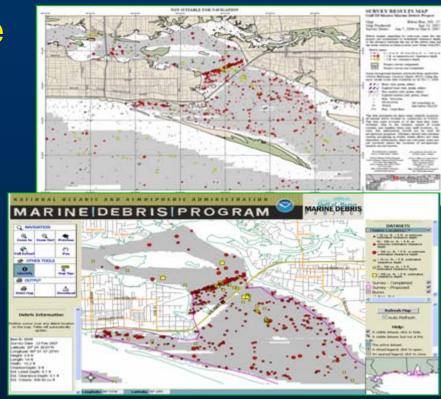
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Hurricane Katrina Response

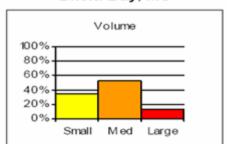




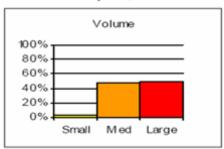




Biloxi Bay, MS



Gulfport, MS





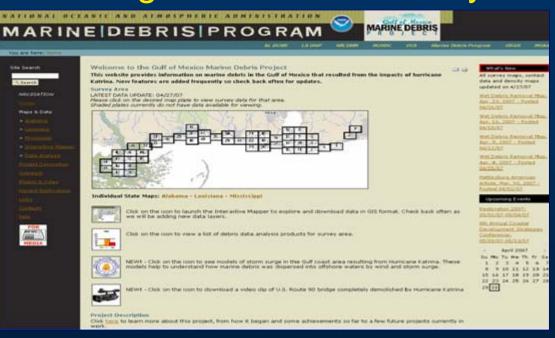






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Submerged Debris Recovery







Desired Outcomes:

- Used by all survey operations
 - Support removal operations
 - Interagency collaboration on restoration projects
- User friendly access to data & maps
 - Diverse clientele
- A common dataset to create a national database and map of debris hotspot locations



Food for Thought? Apple-Orange Smoothie

- Selendang incident worked well,.... can we do better than that?
- What could we do to make this kind of cooperation the standard, not the exception?
- What data should be collected?
 - What is already being collected?
 - Spatial and temporal resolution?
- Should the standard be flexible enough to serve other field data collection purposes or new products and technologies?
 - Shoreline vs. submerged marine debris database?